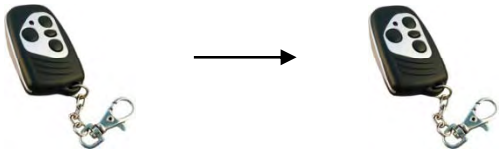
Microchip about KeeLoq:

So what can we do now (1) ?

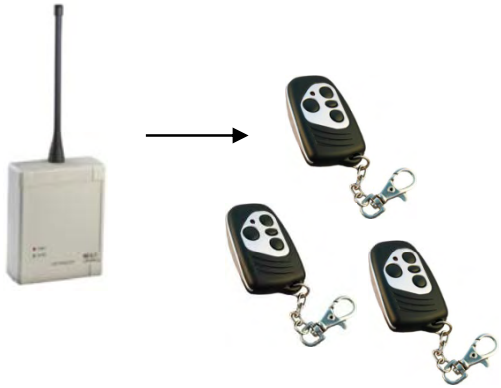
1. If we have access to a remote:

   Recover Device Key and clone the remote



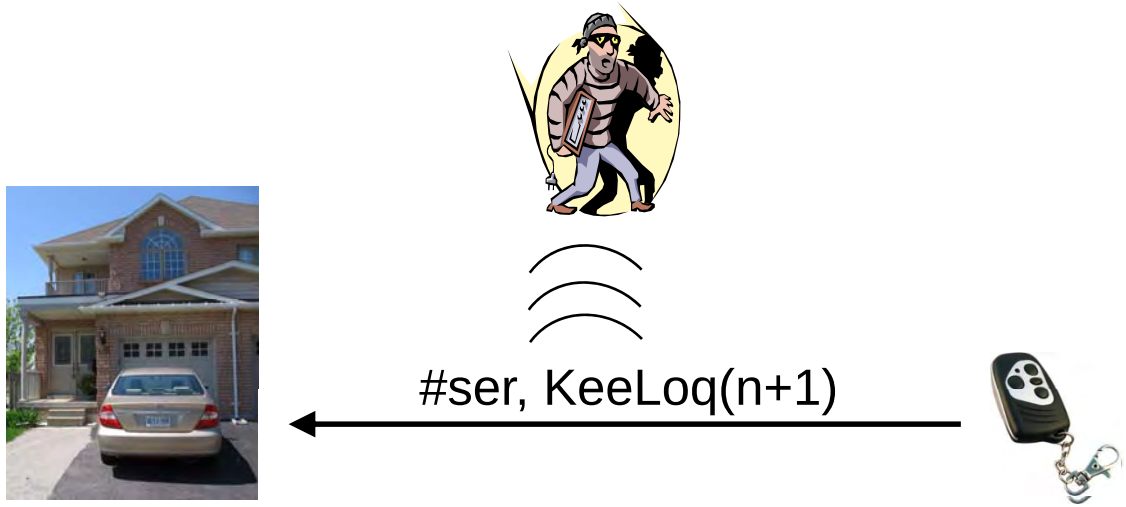
2. If we have access to a receiver:

   Recover Manufacturer Key & generate new remotes



So what can we do now (2) ?

3. After step 2 (i.e., possessing the Manufacturer Key):
   Remotely eavesdrop on 1-2 communications & clone remote!



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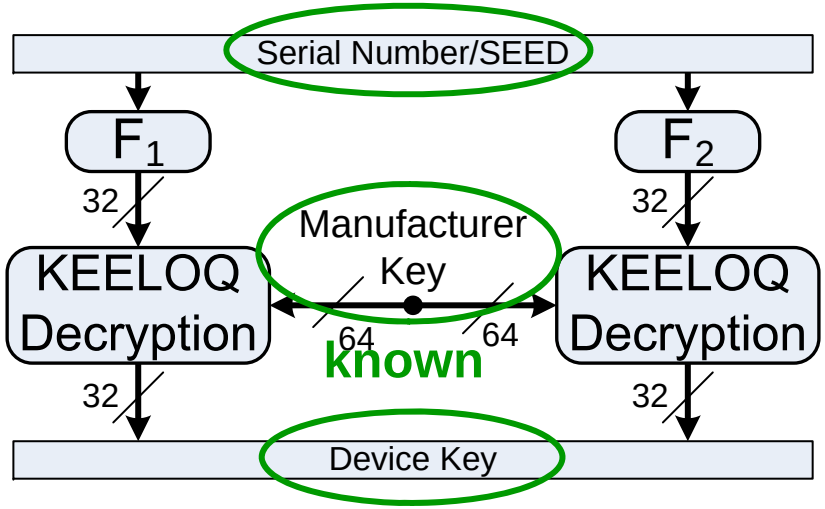
- works for all key derivation schemes
- **instantly** for key derivation from serial number
- otherwise use PC (short seed) or COPACOBANA (long seed)

Details on Eavesdropping Attack

Possessing the Manufacturer Key:

Remotely eavesdrop on 1-2 communications, and clone Device Key!

known(Serial) or brute-forced(Seed)



…easy.

1. Recover Device Key
2. Decrypt Rolling Code → obtain counter etc.
3. Clone the remote control

Details on Eavesdropping Attack

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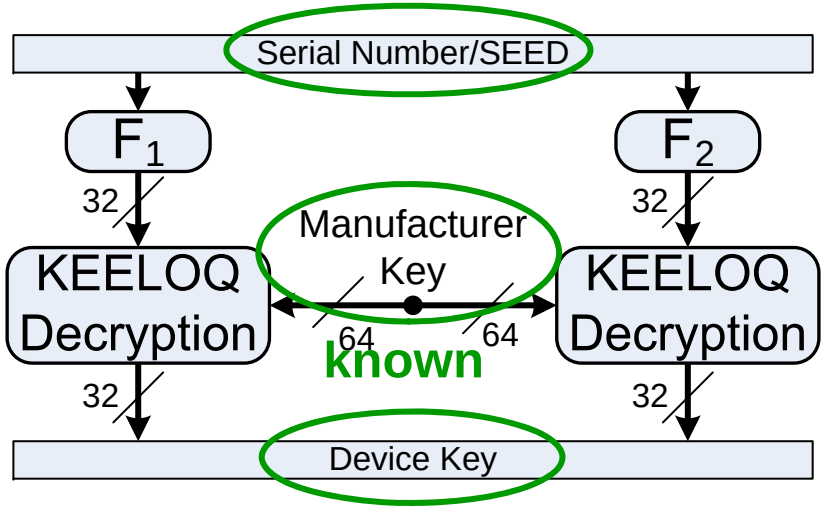


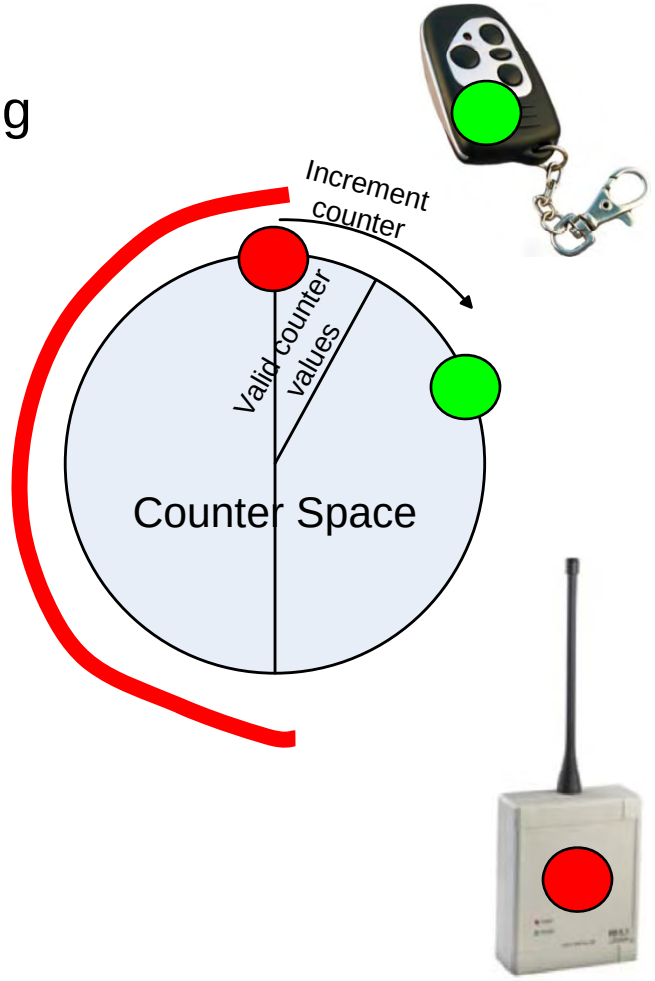
…easy.

Side-channel step (one-time recovery of manufacturer key), difficult, can be outsourced to criminal cryptographers !

Taking over a KeeLoq System

• Receiver updates its internal counter according to the last received valid Rolling Code

Block Window



Taking over a KeeLoq System

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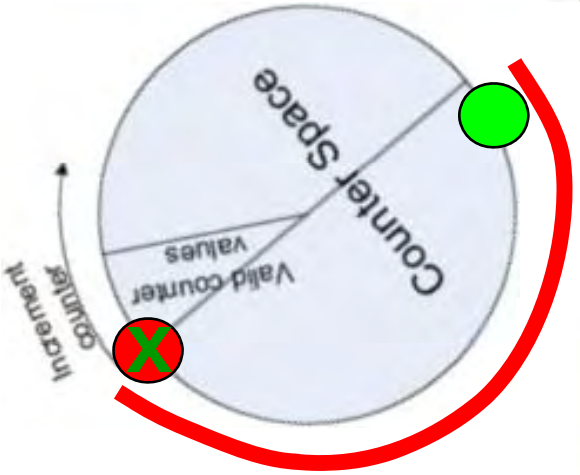
• Receiver updates its internal counter according to the last received valid Rolling Code

• Generate valid Rolling Code with chosen counter value



• Counter of original remote control is in the block window → Door will not open.

Block Window !

• Attacker can still access the secured object !

Summary

- “Security only by Obscurity“ makes insecure systems
- DPA works for commercial access control system
- some severe attacks can be done by non-specialists

- side-channel attacks are a real threat for **all** unprotected implementations of cryptography (ECC, AES, …)
- though SCA is well-known for more than a decade, many embedded / consumer-style applications are still not side-channel resistant

Disclaimer: Our attacks do **not** imply that real-world systems have actually been attacked via SCA by criminals (merely by researchers).

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A Naming Tale (2005)

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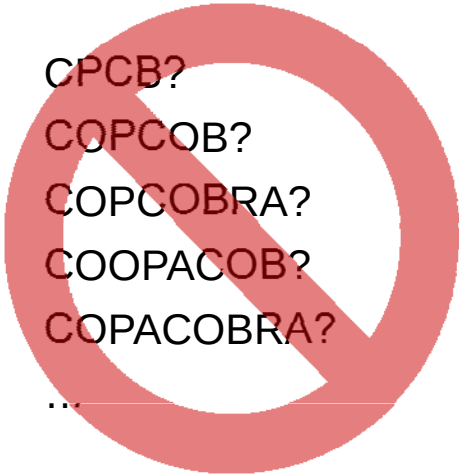
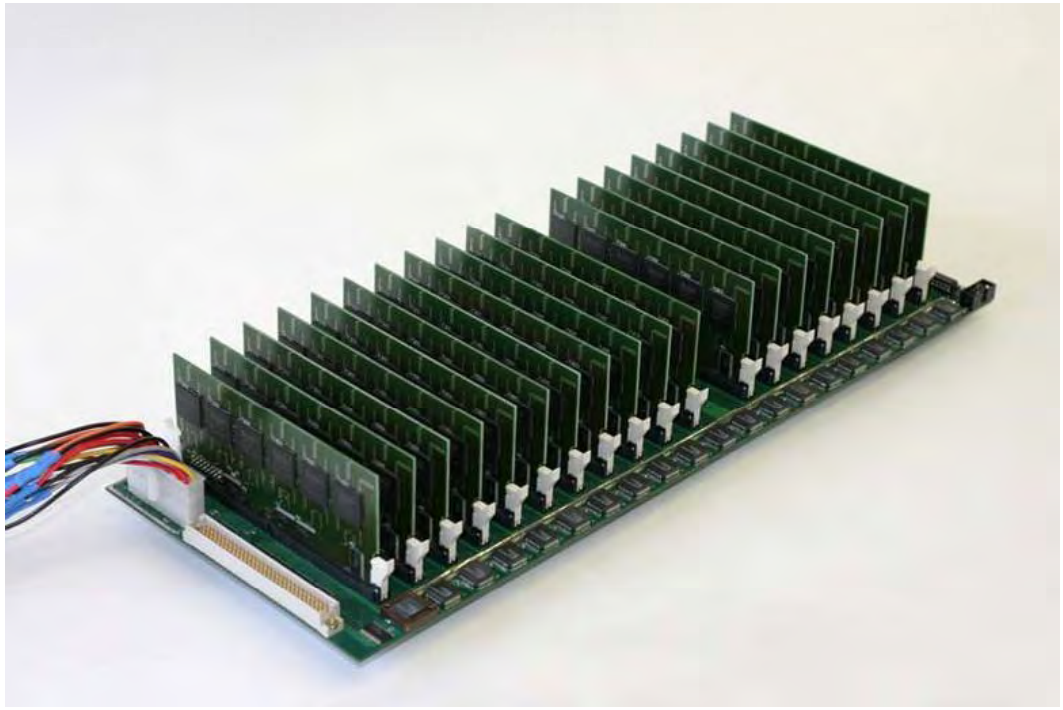
possible abbrevations for„Cost-optimized Parallel Code-Breaker“



► **COPACOBANA**



A Naming Tale

… Easy to remember: Copacabana…

COPACOBANA

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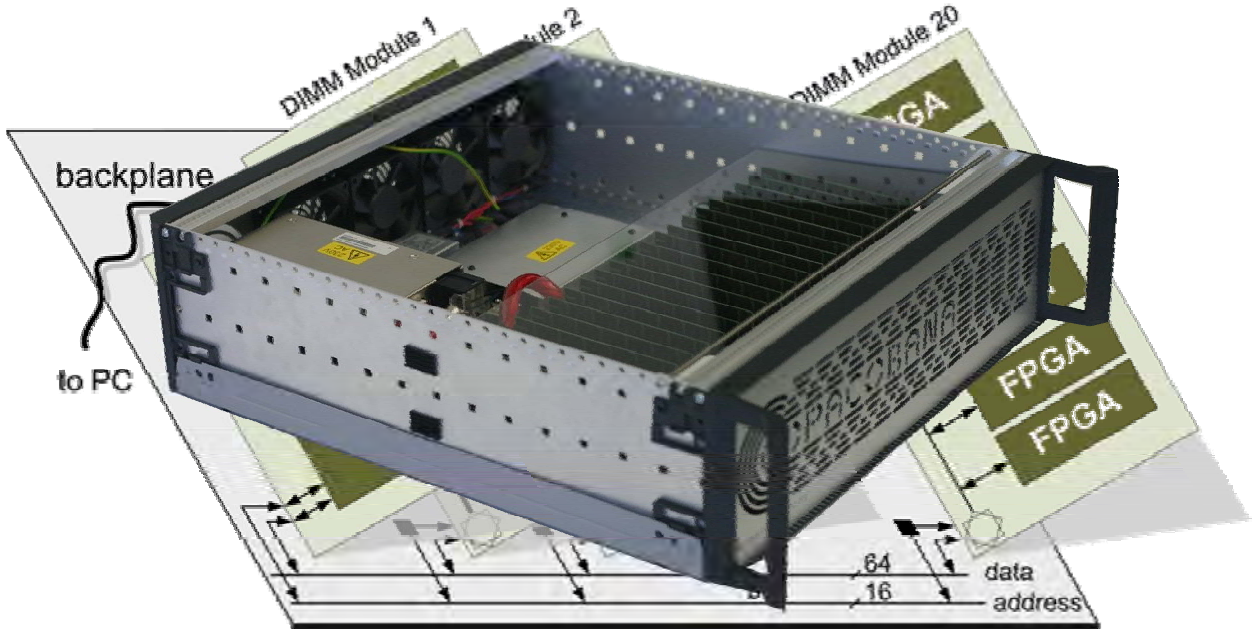
- Cost-Optimized PArallel COde Breaker
- FPGA-based reconfigurable machine for cryptanalysis
- Parallel architecture built out of 120 Xilinx Spartan3 FPGAs
- Modular design:
  - Backplane with FPGA modules (each with 6 low-cost FPGAs)
  - Controller card with USB interface or TCP/IP Interface



To break DES in 6.4 days in average

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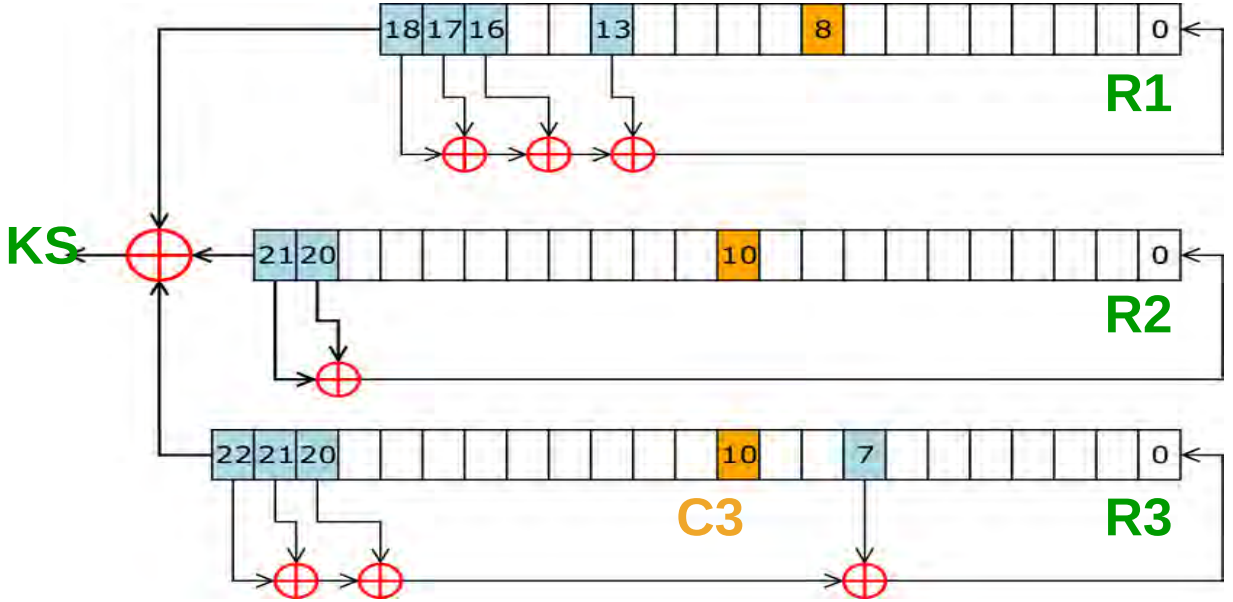
- You need

32,640 PCs or 1 COPACOBANA

Breaking the A5/1

- Guess complete content of **R1**, **R2**
- Derive content of **R3** step-by-step:
  a. Derive **MSB** of **R3** from **R1**, **R2**, and known **KS**
  b. Guess **C3** (clocking bit of R3)
  until **R3** is completely determined.
- Continue clocking A5/1 & compare generated **KS** against known **KS**
- If **64** bits of generated **KS** match, then **CANDIDATE FOUND**



Break electronic passports

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- weak keys in
  Basic Access Control (BAC)
- possible real-time attack
  with COPACOBANA

… steal identities, track people, trigger alarms, …

Break KeeLoq with COPACOBANA

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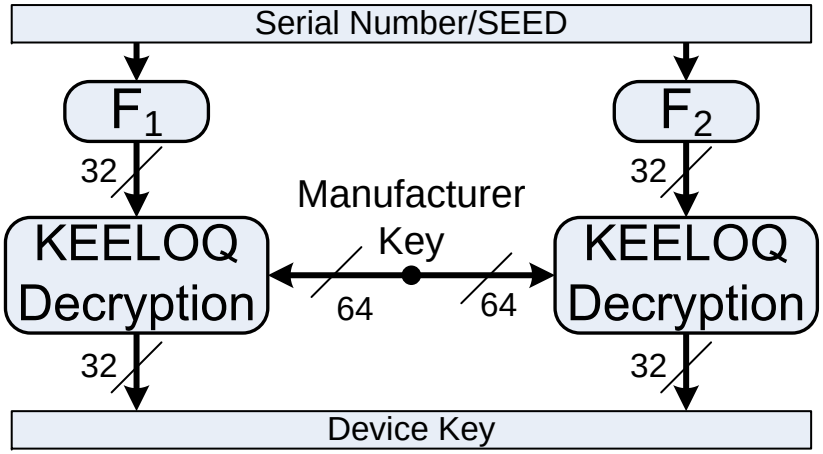
After extracting the Manufacturer Key (needs to be done only once)
if SEED is used → brute force SEED space



- 110 million keys / second verified in 1 FPGA Spartan 3-1000
- **32 bit seed:** **39 seconds / 1 FPGA**
- **48 bit seed:** **5.9 hours / 1 COPACOBANA**
- **60 bit seed:** **101 days / 10 COPACOBANAs**

→ 60 bit resists brute force - but we haven‘t seen it used