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# Side-Channel Attacks on Post-Quantum Signature Schemes based on Multivariate Quadratic Equations

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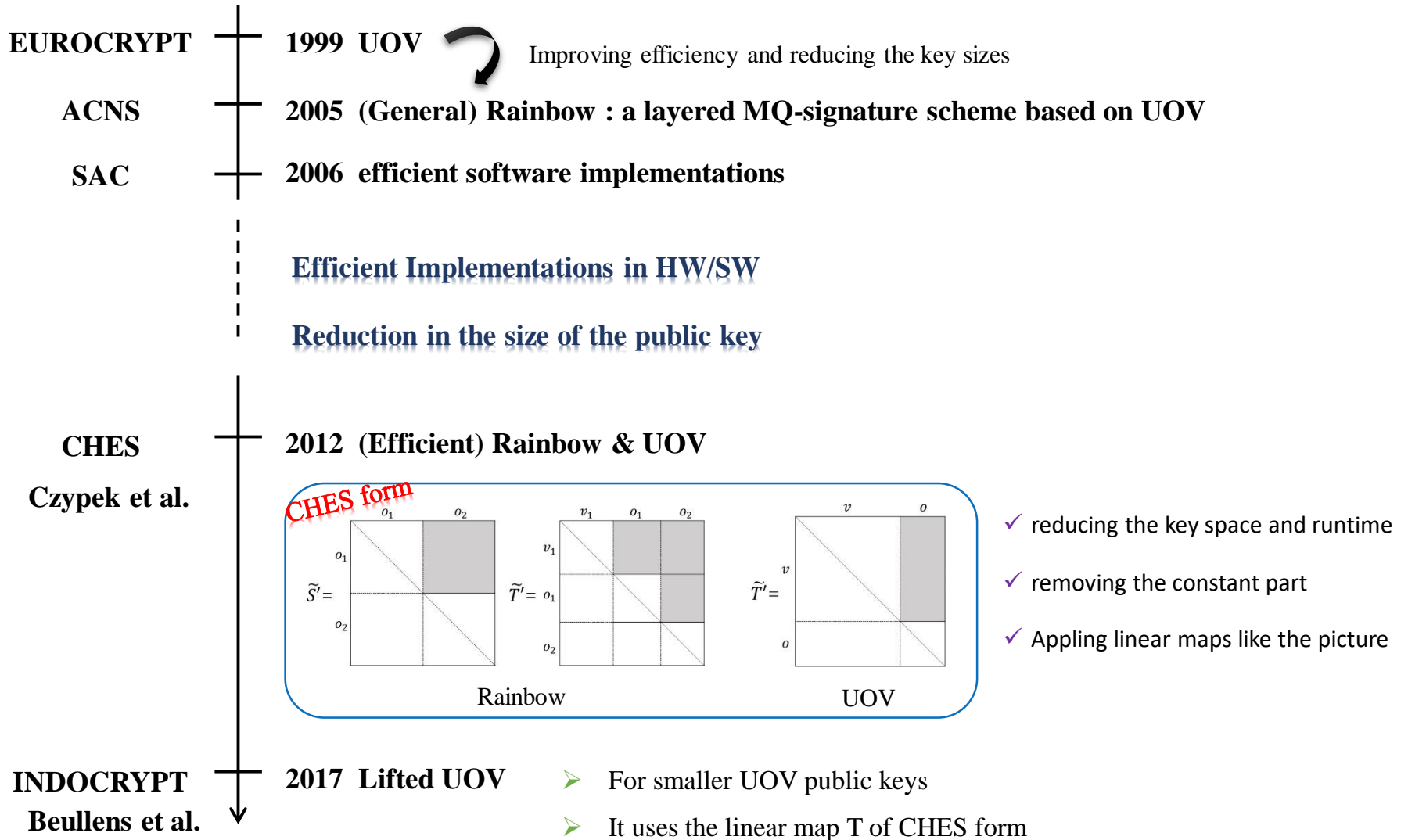
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## UOV Variants Signature schemes



# SCA on UOV Variants Signature schemes

Paul Kocher

1996 **Timing** Attacks

1998 Simple **Power** Analysis

Differential Power Analysis

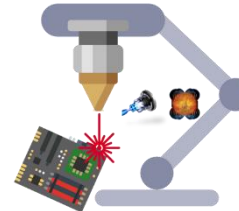
2004 Correlation Power Analysis

Implementations of post-quantum algorithms are **vulnerable to PA**

The studies of PA against UOV variants lack.

The Computer Journal  
Yi et al.

2017 **Semi-invasive** Attack on enTTS



Fault Injection

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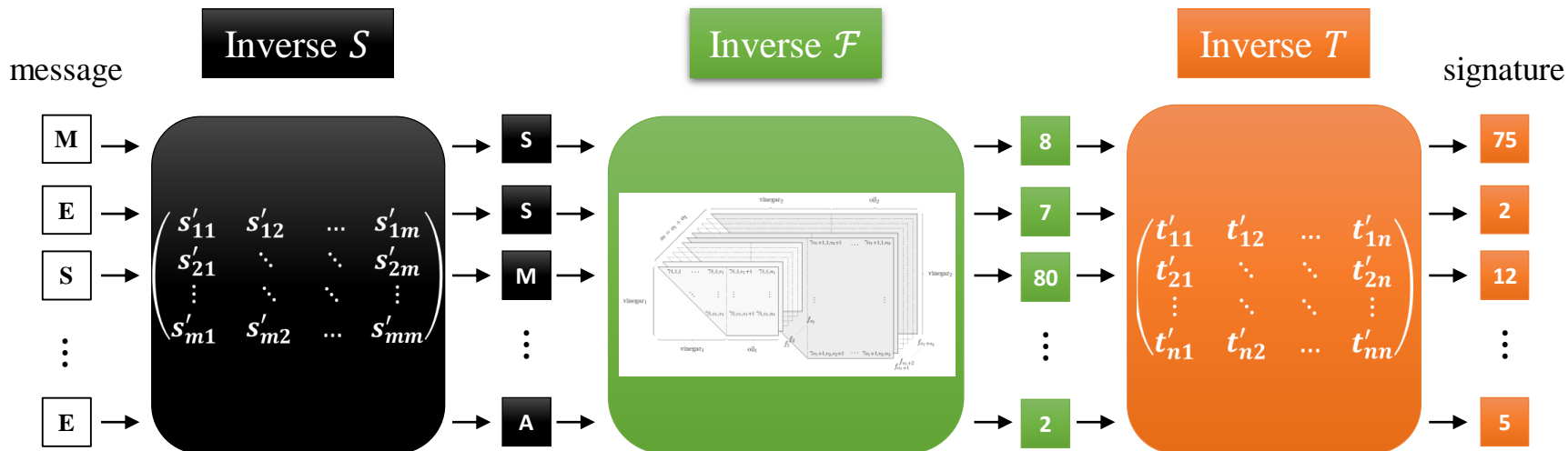
2018 **Ours**

**Non-invasive** Attacks on Rainbow and UOV



# Signature generation on Rainbow

❖ Secret maps :  $S, \mathcal{F}, T$



➤ Linear map  $S$

➤ Random values

➤ Linear map  $T$

➤ Matrix-vector product **over a field**

➤ Solving the linear equations

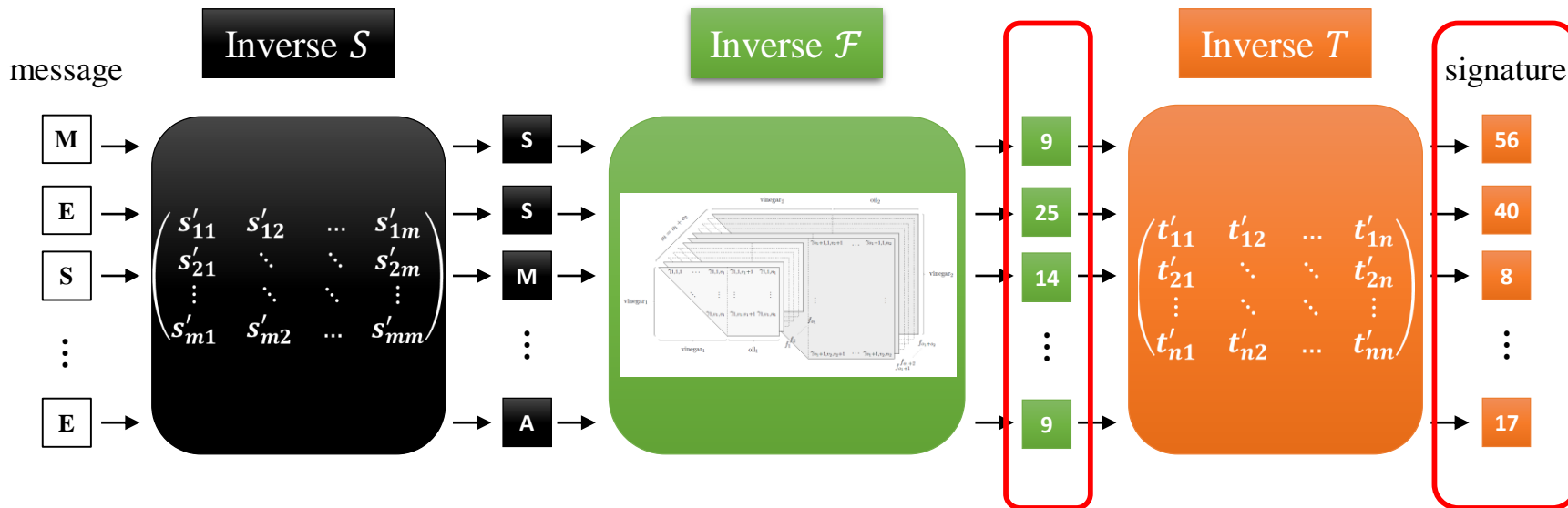
➤ Matrix-vector product **over a field**

*Basic operations*

**Field multiplications & additions**

## Signature generation on Rainbow

Rainbow generates different signatures for the same message.



➤ Linear map  $S$

➤ **Random** values

➤ Linear map  $T$

➤ Matrix-vector product **over a field**

➤ Solving the equations

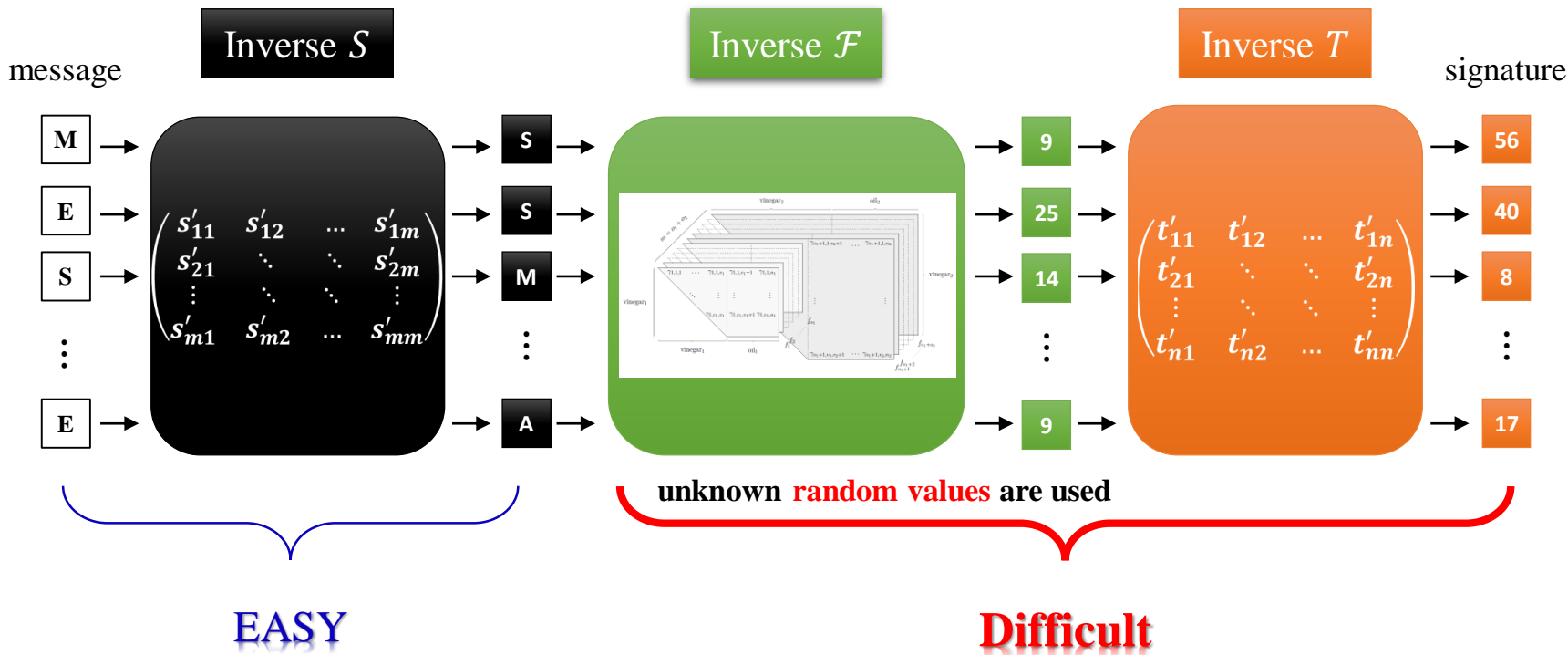
➤ Matrix-vector product **over a field**

**Same** Input (message) ➔ **Different** Output (signature)

# Signature generation on Rainbow

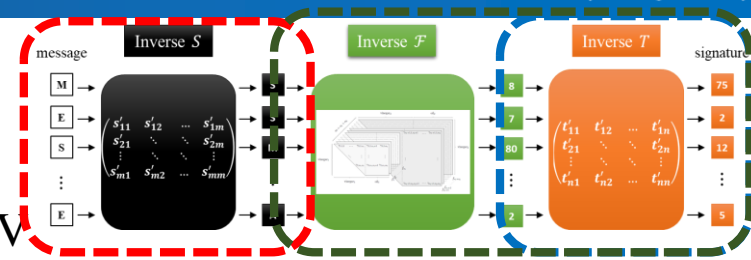
## Applicability of Power Analysis

- Power analysis uses the position where the **fixed secret** value and **the random public** value are computed.

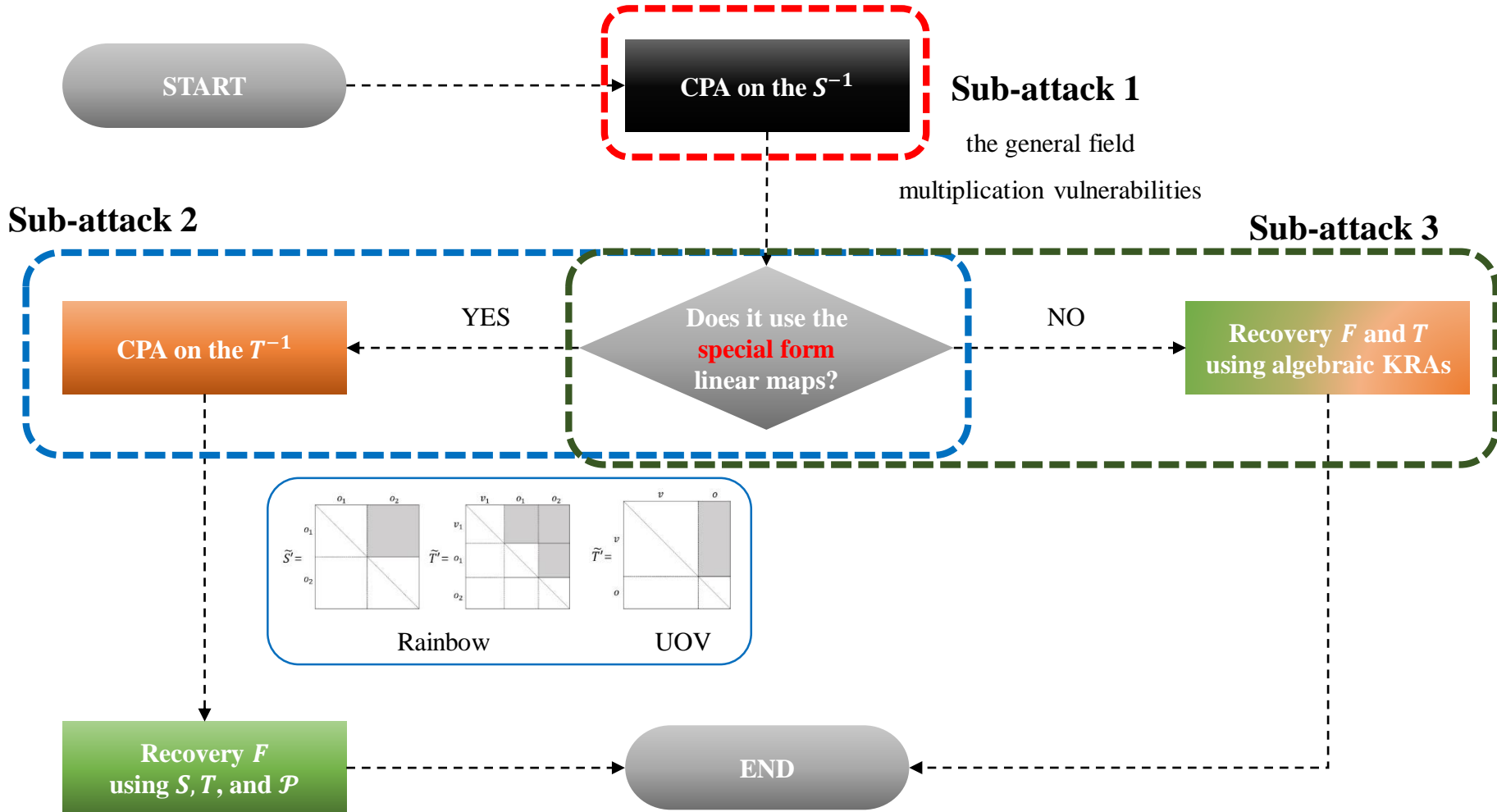


The methods for efficiency can be vulnerable to PA.

■ The flow of our proposed attacks

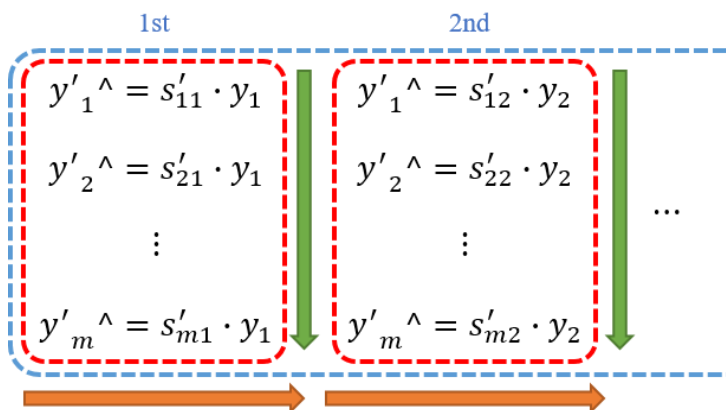
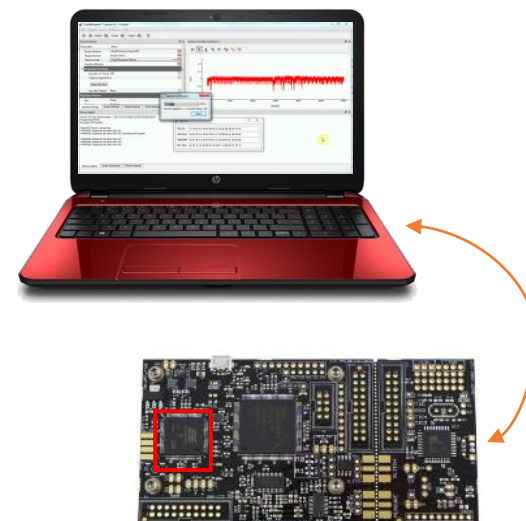


❖ [Goal] Secret maps recovery on Rainbow and UOV



## Experimental setup

Environment	
Target chip	Atmel AVR XMEGA128
Sampling	7.38 MS/s
Algorithm	Matrix-vector product over GF(2 <sup>8</sup> )
Attack system	
ChipWhisperer-Lite, <b>500</b> traces	
Implementation	
8-bit implementation	

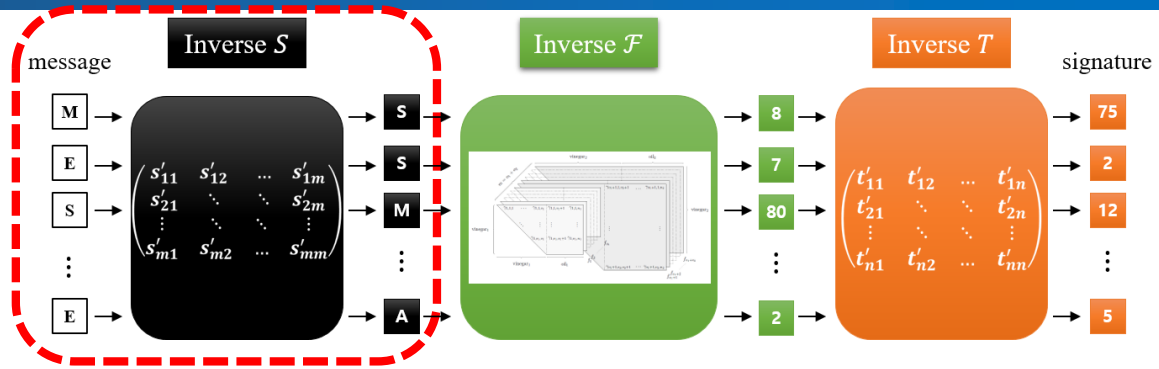


To reduce the number of times  $y$  is loaded, multiplication each loaded  $y$  by the  $i$ -th column.



# Sub-attack 1

❖ CPA on the  $S^{-1}$



Invert  $S$

$$\begin{pmatrix} s'_{11} & s'_{12} & \dots & s'_{1m} \\ s'_{21} & \ddots & \ddots & s'_{2m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s'_{m1} & s'_{m2} & \dots & s'_{mm} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$s'_{11} \cdot y_1 + s'_{12} \cdot y_2 + \dots + s'_{1m} \cdot y_m$$

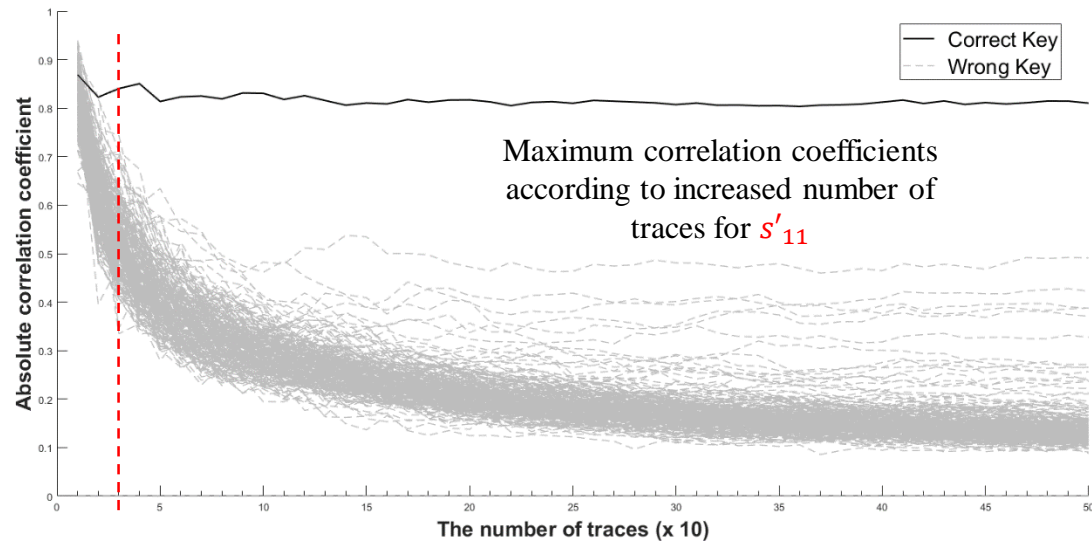
Intermediate result

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{guess} \cdot y_1 \\ & s'_{11} \cdot y_1 + \text{guess} \cdot y_2 \\ & \vdots \end{aligned}$$

*guess* : hypothetical key

- Secret
- Known

➤ the result of CPA for  $s'_{11}$



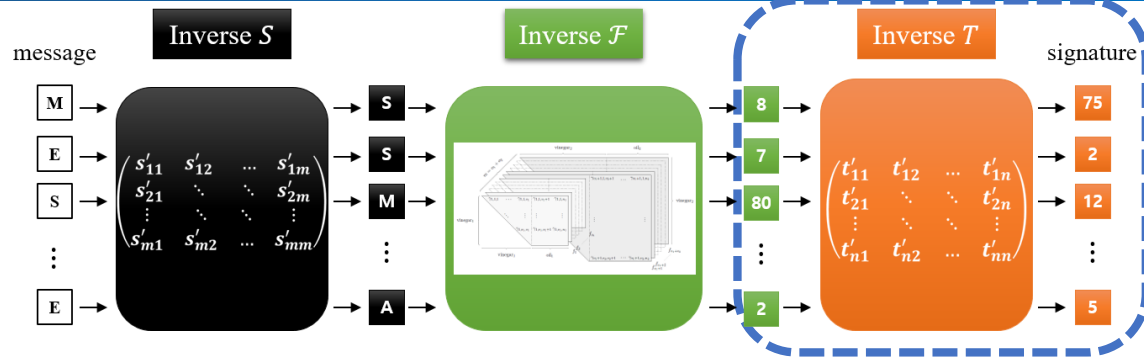
## Sub-attack 2

❖ CPA on the  $T^{-1}$

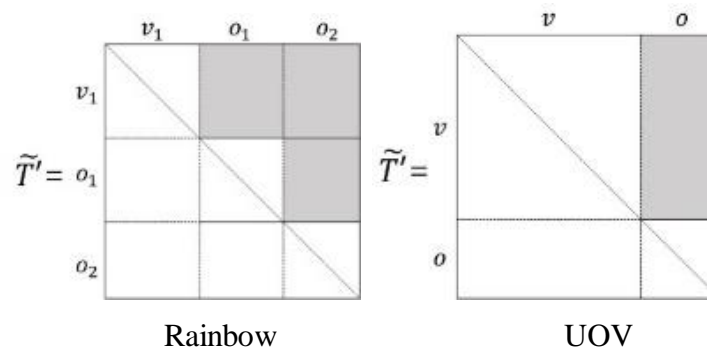
Invert  $T$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t'_{11} & t'_{12} & \dots & t'_{1n} \\ t'_{21} & \ddots & \ddots & t'_{2n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ t'_{n1} & t'_{n2} & \dots & t'_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ \vdots \\ x'_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = t'_{11} \cdot x'_1 + t'_{12} \cdot x'_2 + \dots + t'_{1n} \cdot x'_n$$



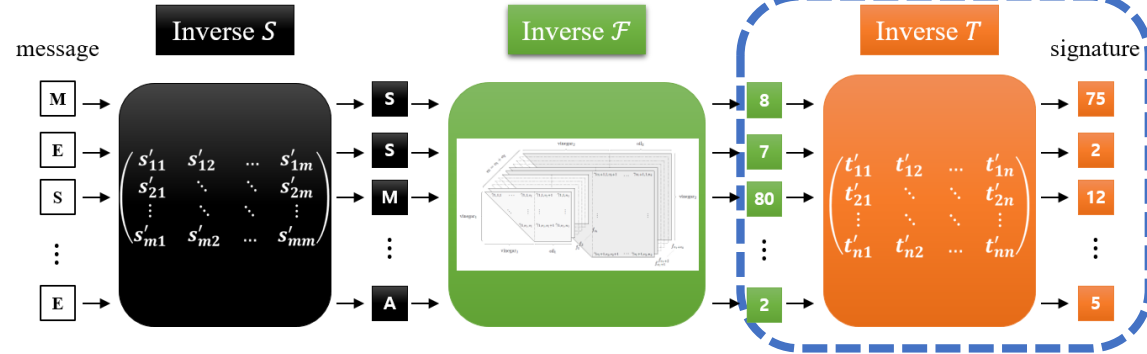
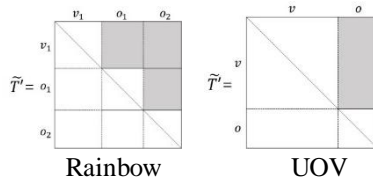
- Matrix-vector product over a field
- It is hard to compute  $X'$
- ➔ to compute the intermediate value is difficult



## Sub-attack 2

❖ CPA on the  $T^{-1}$

➤ (Assume) Special form  $T$



$$\begin{pmatrix}
 01 & 00 & t'_{13} & t'_{14} & t'_{15} & t'_{16} & t'_{17} & t'_{18} \\
 00 & 01 & t'_{23} & t'_{24} & t'_{25} & t'_{26} & t'_{27} & t'_{28} \\
 00 & 00 & 01 & 00 & t'_{35} & t'_{36} & t'_{37} & t'_{38} \\
 00 & 00 & 00 & 01 & t'_{45} & t'_{46} & t'_{47} & t'_{48} \\
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 \end{pmatrix}
 \begin{pmatrix}
 x'_1 \\
 x'_2 \\
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 x'_8
 \end{pmatrix}
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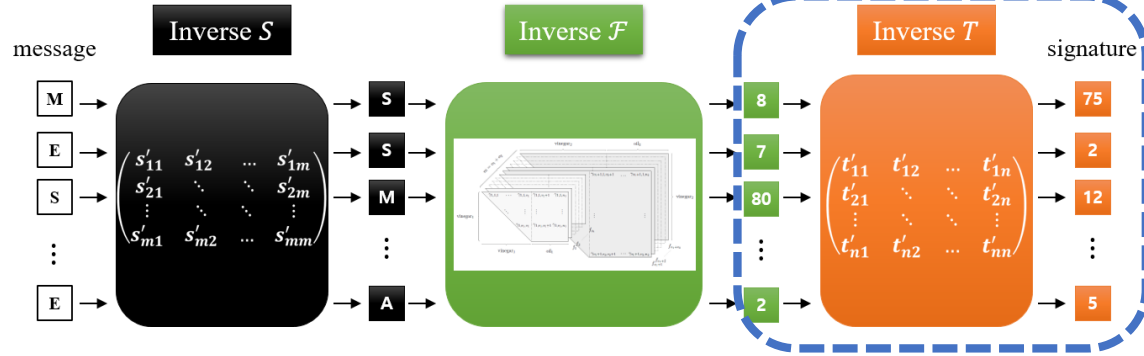
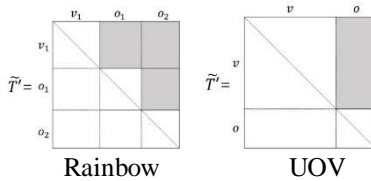
Signature X

✓  $x'_8 = x_8, x'_7 = x_7, x'_6 = x_6, x'_5 = x_5$

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Signature X

$$0 \cdot x'_1 \oplus 0 \cdot x'_1 \oplus 1 \cdot x'_3 \oplus 0 \cdot x'_4 \oplus t'_{35} \cdot x'_5 \oplus t'_{36} \cdot x'_6 \oplus t'_{37} \cdot x'_7 \oplus t'_{38} \cdot x'_8 = x_3$$

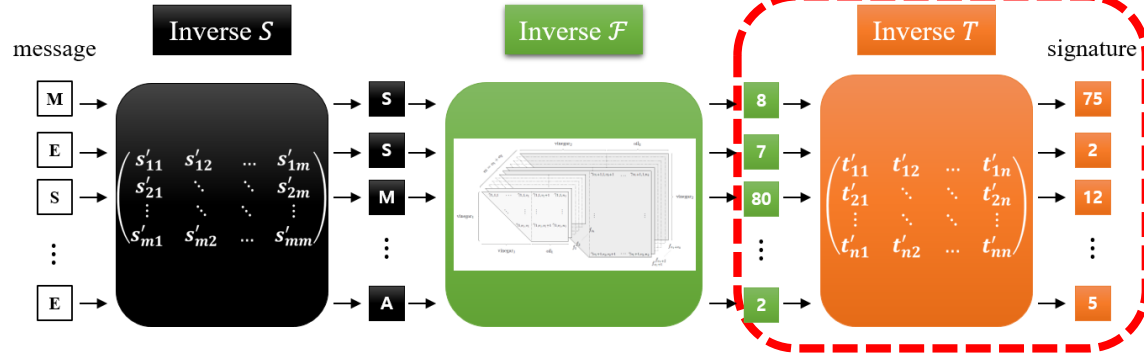
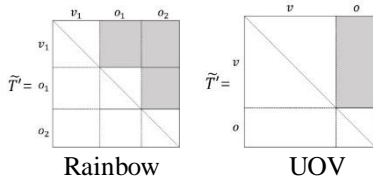
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Intermediate result:  $guess \cdot x'_5, guess \cdot x'_6, \dots$

## Sub-attack 2

❖ CPA on the  $T^{-1}$

➤ (Assume) Special form  $T$



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Signature X

Compute  $x'_3$  and  $x'_4$

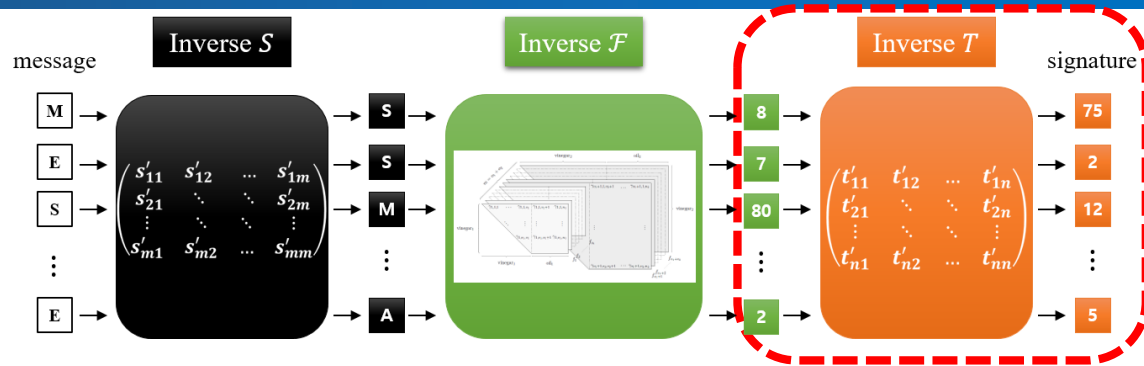
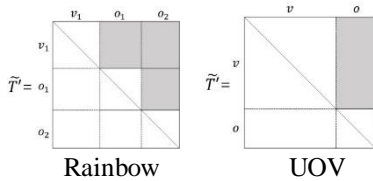
$$x_3 = x'_3 \oplus t'_{35} \cdot x'_5 \oplus t'_{36} \cdot x'_6 \oplus t'_{37} \cdot x'_7 \oplus t'_{38} \cdot x'_8$$

➡  $x'_3 = x_3 \oplus t'_{35} \cdot x'_5 \oplus t'_{36} \cdot x'_6 \oplus t'_{37} \cdot x'_7 \oplus t'_{38} \cdot x'_8$

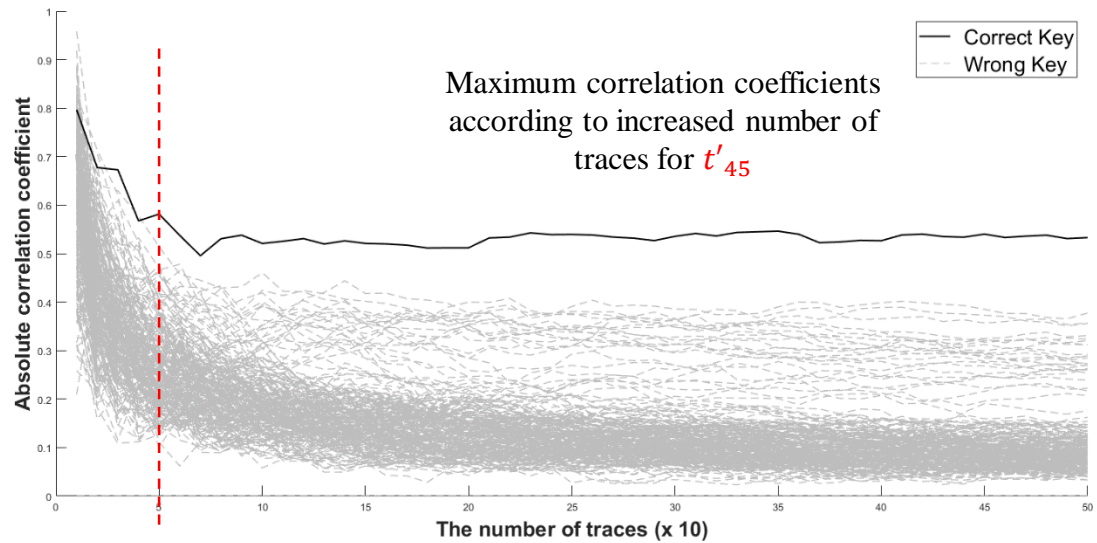
## Sub-attack 2

CPA on the  $T^{-1}$

(Assume) Special form  $T$



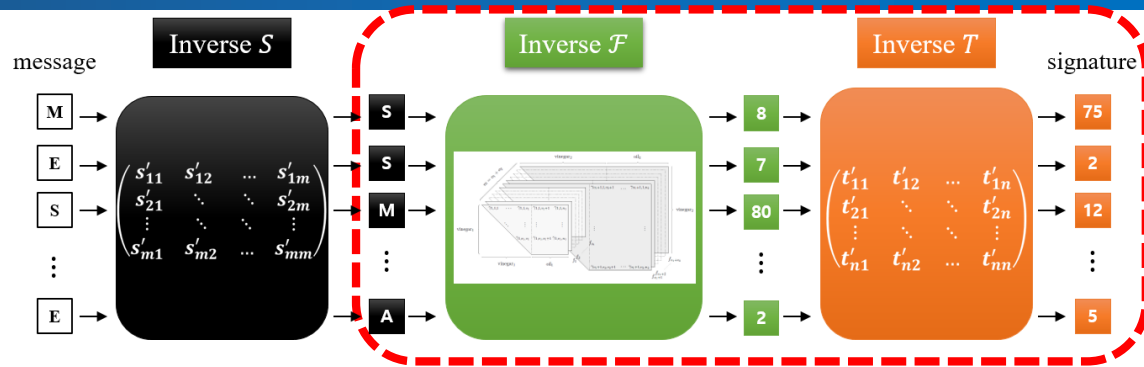
the result of CPA for  $t'_{45}$



### Sub-attack 3

#### Recovery $\mathcal{F}$ and $T$

using algebraic KRAs



➤ (Assume) general form  $T$ , recovery  $S$

#### $S^{-1} \circ \mathcal{P} = \mathcal{F} \circ T \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{P} \circ \tilde{T} = \mathcal{F}$ ; certain places with zero coefficients in $\mathcal{F}^{(k)}$ are known

➤ Let  $\mathcal{P} = S^{-1} \circ \mathcal{P}, \tilde{T} = T^{-1}$

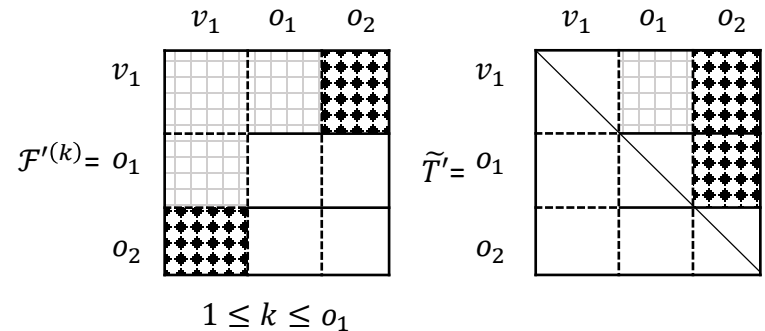
➤ Where  $\mathcal{F}^{(k)}$  is the  $k$ -th component of the central map  $\mathcal{F}$ .

$$\mathcal{F}^{(k)} = \tilde{T}^T \cdot \mathcal{P}^{(k)} \cdot \tilde{T} \quad \forall 1 \leq k \leq m$$

#### Find an equivalent key $(\mathcal{F}', T')$ s.t $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{F}' \circ T'$

➤ The equivalent key  $\mathcal{F}'$  and  $T'$  have the form the figures.

No. equations	No. variables
$v_1 o_1 o_2$ (linear equations)	$(v_1 + o_1) o_2$



➤  $\text{Rainbow}(\mathbb{F}, v_1, o_1, o_2) = \text{Rainbow}(\text{GF}(2^8), 36, 21, 22)$

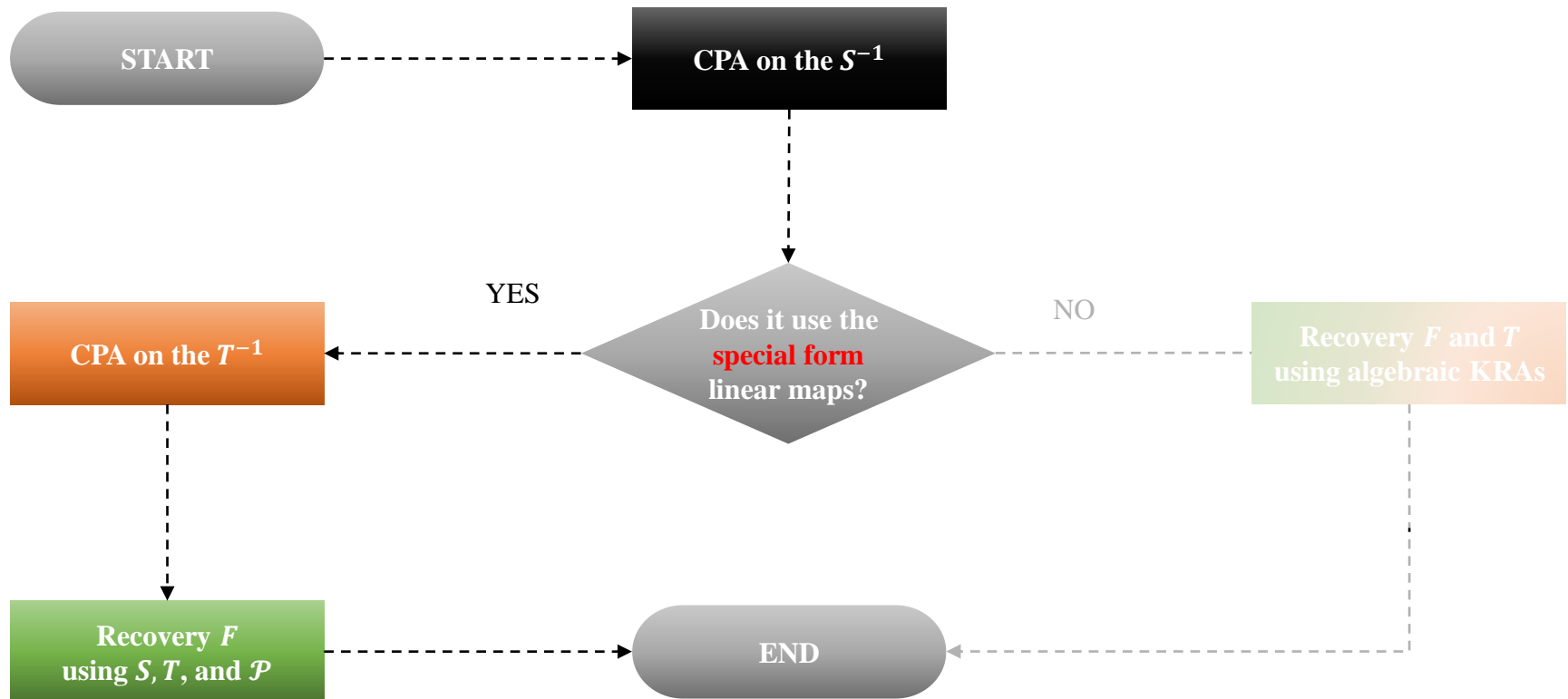
✓ 0.46 milliseconds

✓ Intel Xeon E5-2687W CPU 3.1 GHz with 256GB RAM

## Attack 1 = sub-attack 1 + sub-attack 2

### ❖ CPA on Rainbow implementation with Equivalent keys in CHES 2012

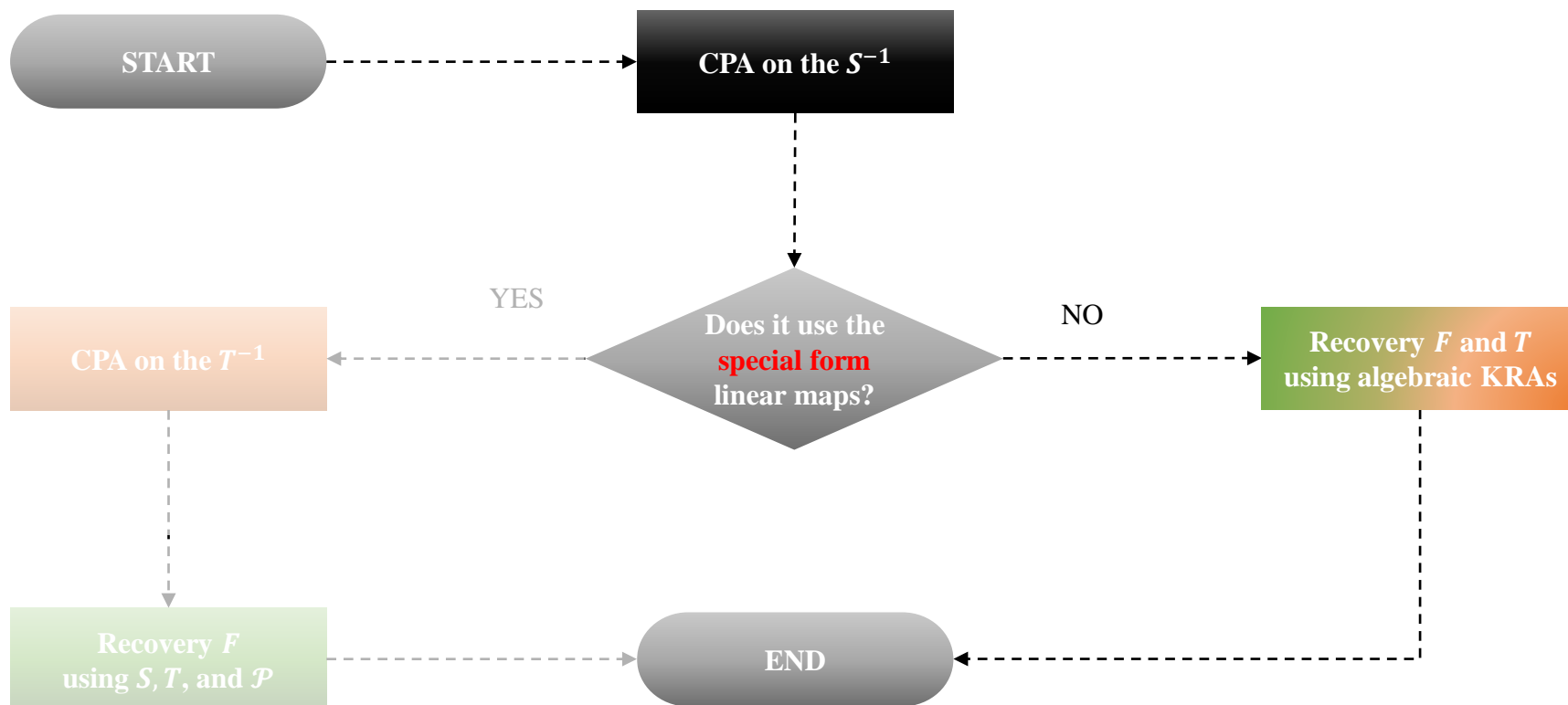
- Similar attack: CPA on UOV implementation with equivalent key





## Attack 2 = sub-attack 1 + sub-attack 3

❖ Hybrid attack on Rainbow implementation **with random linear maps**



## ❑ Other MQ-signature schemes

### ❖ UOV-like single layer schemes.

- [INDOCRYPT 2017] Lifted UOV (LUOV)
- LUOV is submitted to NIST for Post-Quantum Cryptography Standardization.
- LUOV uses the form of the equivalent key proposed in CHES 2012.



**Attack 1**

### ❖ Rainbow-like multi-layered schemes.

- Rainbow and HiMQ-3
- affine-substitution (quadratic)-affine (ASA) structure
- $GF(2^n)$ ,  $n > 1$



**Attack 2**

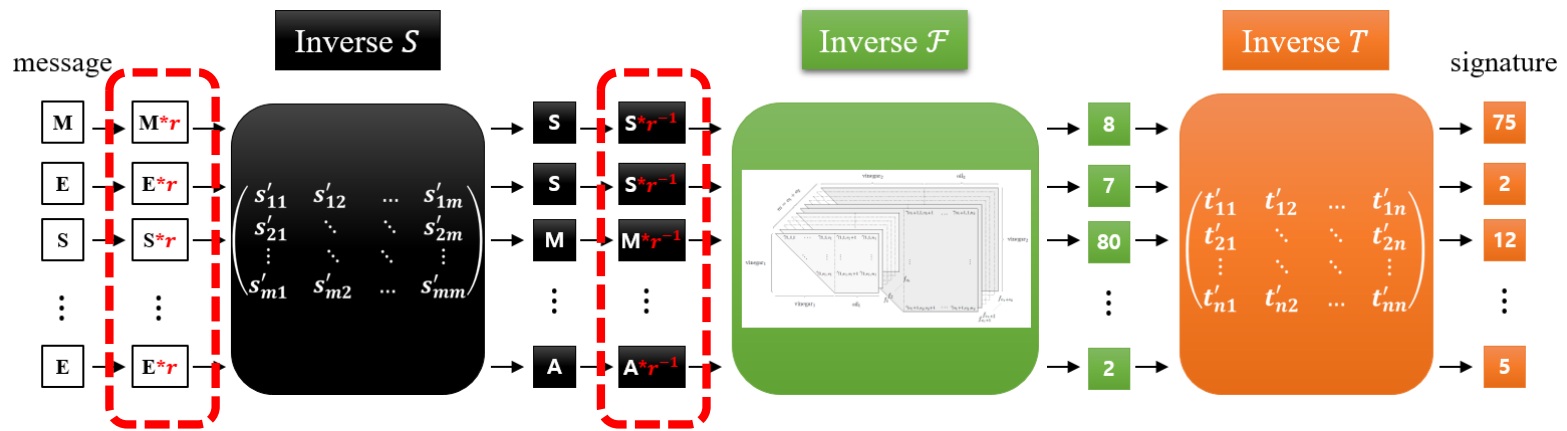
## Countermeasures

### ❖ UOV-like single layer schemes

- Use the  $T$  that is removed the relation between the signature value and the intermediate value.

### ❖ Rainbow-like multi-layered schemes

- focus on implementing a secure matrix-vector product against PA
- Message randomization



- Overhead:  $2m$  field multiplications and a field inversion

## ■ Conclusion

### ❖ Our contributions

- CPA on Rainbow and UOV **implementation with equivalent keys in CHES 2012**
- Hybrid attack on Rainbow **implementation with random linear maps**
- Our attacks can **apply to other MQ-signature schemes.**
- Countermeasure against first-order CPA

### ❖ Further work

- More efficient countermeasures
- Security analysis against high-order and fault injection attacks

