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# Abstract

In this thesis, first a cubic fractional transformation (CFT) is used for the construction of S-box. The S-boxes are used to increase the confusion between the ciphertext and the key. The S-boxes are assessed using standard tests suit which includes nonlinearity, strict avalanche criterion, bit independence criterion, linear approximation probability and differential probability. The study of image encryption has grown in popularity and interest in the modern technological era. Image encryption ensures the secure transmission of images by converting recognizable images into unrecognizable ones. A new image encryption method based Substitution-box (S-box) and Logistic map is proposed. This S-box is used for the pixel values modification to generate element of non-linearity. After this, these modified values are further diffused with two other random sequences, generated by CFT. Finally the scrambling process with the help of XOR Boolean operation a random sequences generated by Logistic map are applied to the components of pre-encrypted image to gets the encrypted image. The use of Substitution-box (S-box) and Logistic map based image encryption scheme shows good results for key space analysis, key sensitivity, correlation analysis, number of pixel change rate (NPCR), unified average changing intensity (UACI), entropy analysis and histogram analysis. Security analysis demonstrate the good performance of the algorithm (1), (2) and (3) as a secure and effective communication method for images.

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# Abbreviations

AES	Advance Encryption Standard
AI	Algebraic Immunity
ANF	Algebraic Normal Form
BIC	Bits Independence Criterion
CI	Correlation Immunity
$\mathbf{CC}$	Correlation Coefficients
$\mathbf{CFT}$	Cubic Fractional Transformation
DES	Data Encryption Standard
DP	Differential Probability
GCD	Greatest Common Divisor
$\mathbf{LFT}$	Linear Fractional Transformation
$\mathbf{LE}$	Lyapunov Exponent
$\mathbf{LP}$	Linear Probability
MATLAB	Matrix Laboratory
NPCR	Number of Pixel Change Rate
RC4	Rivest Cipher 4
RSA	Rivest-Shamir-Adleman
SET	S-box Evalution Tool
SAC	Strict Avalanche Criterion
UACI	Unified Average Changing Intensity
WHT	Walsh Hadamard Transformation

# Symbols

- C Cipherimage
- C Ciphertext
- $\gamma$  Control Parameter of Logistic Map
- D Decryption Algorithm
- E Encryption Algorithm
- $\Lambda$  Lyapunov Exponent
- *n* Number of Rows
- m Number of Columns
- P Plaintext
- I Plainimage
- $\mathbb{Z}$  Set of Integers
- $\mathbb{R}$  Set of Real Number
- $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq}$  Set of Integer under Modulo m
- $\mathbb{Q}$  Set of Rational Number

# Chapter 1

# Introduction

How to secure personal secret information has been a problem for both states and individuals since the beginning of secure communication. Then, the think tanks of these states gather to develop a mechanism to protect the transfer of information of the relevant secret message from them to their loyalists. In the modern era, cryptography technology provides a solution for protecting secret information/messages from unauthorized resources. In cryptography, the original information is known as plaintext (P), while the codded information is known as ciphertext (C). The method of protecting information/messages during transmission so that only the intended person can read, change, and process it.

In cryptography, the methods for protecting information generally include an algorithm and a key. An encryption algorithm first converts the original information into some type of coded version of it, making it unintelligible to someone who is not supposed to receive it. This process ensures that communication is done securely. Once the information has been encrypted, it is able for transmission over a public network. To make the information readable, the receiver also does some tasks. He decrypts the information using the decryption key and algorithm. Caesar Cipher [1] is the simplest and most well-known example of such a technique. It works on the principle of substitution, where each alphabet is changed for another alphabet, or, to put it another way, each letter is moved a predetermined number of positions within the alphabet. Other algorithms, like mono-alphabetical, four square cipher [2], playfair cipher [3] and hill cipher [4], etc have been frequently utilized.

Based on key management, cryptography can be divided into two categories: symmetric key cryptography and asymmetric key cryptography [5]. In symmetric key cryptography, a single key is used for both data encryption and decryption. To overcome the remarkable key problems in symmetric key cryptography, Diffie-Hellman in 1976 introduced [6] asymmetric key cryptography. Asymmetric key cryptography uses two different keys to perform encryption and decryption, so knowing one key does not mean necessarily knowing the other.

### 1.1 S-Boxes in Cryptography

In cryptography, a substitution box (S-Box) is an essential component of symmetric key algorithms. They are frequently utilized in block ciphers to conceal the connection between the key and the ciphertext, which is Shannon's property of confusion and diffusion [7]. The concept of confusion and diffusion was first introduced by Claude Shannon in 1949 [7]. According to Claude Shannin's theory:

**Confusion** refers to making the relationship between the key and the ciphertext as complex and as involved as possible.

**Diffusion** refers to the property that redundancy in the statistics of the plaintext is 'dissipated' in the statistics of the ciphertext.

In block cipher, S-box is an important component. S-boxes are frequently chosen with care to avoid cryptanalysis. An S-box is a non-linear component in symmetric block ciphers that uses look-up tables to give the confusion property in the cryptosystem. As a result, in cryptographic methods, constructing an S-box with strong cryptographic characteristics is crucial.

The substitution process converts the input bits to the output bits after a number of layers of substitutions, hence produce the ciphertext. To evaluate the strength and confusion-creating ability of an S-box, the bit change patterns at the output, that is based on a single or more bit changes at the input, must be examined.

S-boxes are look-up tables that represent vectorial Boolean functions. An S-box

takes a tiny block of bits and replaces it with another block of bits. To make decryption effective, this substitution should be one-to-one. S-box converts n input bits into m output bits. The use os S-box as look-up table will give  $2^n$  words, each with m bits. As employed in the Data Encryption Standard (DES) [8], a 4-bit S-box is a box of  $2^4 = 16$  components with hexadecimal values ranging from 0 to F that is randomly organised. Similarly, the number of elements in an 8-bit S-box is  $2^8 = 256$ , with values ranging from 0 to 255, as used in the Advance Encryption Standard (AES) [9]. The output length can either be the same as the input length, as in AES [9], or different, as in DES [8, 10]. To make a cryptosystem strong, to constructed S-box it must be ensured that each output bit dependents on each input bit.

#### 1.1.1 Evaluation for Good S-boxes

The structural simplicity, rapid encryption and decryption speeds, and resistance against known as cryptanalysis techniques are all desired features of an S-box. Since 1976, many researchers have analyzed the behavior of constructed S-boxes. The features listed below are commonly recognised as important criteria for evaluating good S-boxes.

- 1. Bijection Property
- 2. Non-linearity
- 3. Strict Avalanche Criterion (SAC)
- 4. Differential Probability (DP)
- 5. Linear Probability (LP)
- 6. Bits Independence Criterion (BIC)

### 1.2 Image Encryption

In the modern era, with the rapid development of information technology, necessitate the methods for the protection of data specially that containing images. The protection of sensitive image based data from unauthorized source is know as image encryption. A digital image is altered in a way that it become completely different from the original image and cannot be viewed directly. When the image is to be viewed, then it should be converted back into the original form through the decryption algorithm. Many researcher have proposed image encryption methods to improve the protection of digital images from unauthorized access. Ullah et al. [11] used a novel scheme to encrypt images using S-box and chaotic system. Fridrich [12] suggested a chaotic map based image encryption scheme.



FIGURE 1.1: Classification of image encryption algorithm

Image encryption can be classified into two parts based on its domain. One is called full encryption algorithm and the other is called partial encryption algorithm [13]. As the name suggests, full image encryption algorithm encrypts the full image and partial encryption algorithm encrypts only a part of the image instead of the full image. Both of these types of algorithms can be further classified into frequency domain and spatial domain. The frequency domain encryption algorithms are based on the transform function, such as fractional Fourier transform, quantum Fourier transform and reciprocal-orthogonal parametric transform. The spatialdomain encryption algorithms are based on the SPN (Substitution Permutation Network) that uses substitution and permutation to change pixel value and pixel position of the image respectively. Figure 1.1 show the encryption algorithm and its further classification.

### **1.3** Literature Review

In modren block ciphers an S-box is usually used to conceal the relationship between the ciphertext and the key, thus ensuring the Shannons [7] property of Confusion and diffusion. Therefore an S-box has a significant role in cryptography, consequently, it is vital to utilize a secure S-box, before using it in cryptography. Many techniques are use to create S-boxes with good cryptographic properties. Wang et al. [14] suggested a novel approach for the construction of an S-box using chaotic tent map. Tang et al. [15, 16] construct different S-boxes using chaotic maps. Zhang et al. [17] constructed an S-box by spatiotemporal chaotic system. Khan et al. [18] used chaotic partial differential equation to construct an S-box. Researchers and cryptographers proposed many methodologies and techniques for the construction of cryptographically strong S-boxes. In [19–25] many S-boxes were created by different scholars.

Research in this area has revealed that any reliable encryption method that use Sboxes generate S-boxes with cryptographically desired properties such as avalanche criteria, high non-linearity and bits independent criteria among others [26]. As a result, several approaches for the creation of this nonlinear component with all of these desirable characteristics have been proposed by researchers. To construct this nonlinear component, these approaches uses a variety of mathematical structures. Such as finite field, Galois ring, elliptic curves, and symmetry groups are all well-known mathematical structures [27].

In [28], Dragomir et al. proposed a method for constructing database or repositories systems of S-boxes with strong cryptographic topographies. These repositories

can be of great assistance in providing data and information security while customising block cyphers. In [29] author created a cryptographically good S-box based on the chaos theory and travelling salesman problems. Ahmad at el. [30] proposed a novel approach to construct cryptographically robust bijective S-boxes based on a new hyperchaotic system. When compared to other systems used for S-box construction, it was found that the new hyperchaotic system seemed to have good characteristics. Adams et al. [31] create s-boxes that are of bijection, SAC, BIC, NL, etc. A strong S-box design using chaotic maps has been proposed by Ozkaynak and Ozer [32]. They used the Lorentz system for the chaotic map and the proposed methodology is examined and evaluated against cryptographic criteria. The analysis results show the high reliability of the proposed cryptosystem, which is ideal for secure communication. Farwa et al. [33] proposed a simple but effective approach for generating an S-Box based on linear fractional transformation (LFT). The proposed S-box were analyzed for cryptographic properties such as nonlinearity (NL), bit independence criterion (BIC), strict avalanche criterion (SAC), linear probability (LP), differential probability (DP), etc.

The communication of data and information has grown to be a crucial component of modern technology and is now regarded as one of an individual or an organization's most valuable assets. As a result, information security has become extremely important in present-day sciences. Researchers are focused on developing effective and secure image encryption algorithms because of the rapid rise in image transmission. Researchers analyse, identify, and solve problems in the real world using image-based data. Wang at el. [34] suggests a new method for image encrypting images that is based on dynamic random growth and hybrid chaotic maps. Author uses dynamic random growth technique and the Arnold cat map cofuse the original image. In 2010 Patidar et al. [35] proposed a "substitutiondiffusion based image encryption scheme" utilising chaotic logistic and standard maps. The proposed scheme was strong because it had properties of confusion and diffusion. Francois et al. [36] in 2012 proposed a new image encryption algorithm that is based on the coupling of a chaotic function and the XOR operator. The major factors of his encryption algorithm were its capacity for producing a large key space, its ability to produce images with any entropy structure, and its confusion and diffusion properties.

A multiple image encryption method using the discrete wavelet transformation and nonlinear fractional mellin transformation was presented by Pan et al. [37]. Khan et al. [38] proposed an algorithm for constructing the nonlinear S-box used in image encryption algorithm. In the process of constructing nonlinear substitution components for image encryption, the chaotic Boolean bit function is used. Farwa et al. [39] proposed a new and reliable image encryption scheme that use then Arnold transform and algebraic S-box for scrambling. The proposed image encryption method is very easy to use and very efficient. In 2020 Lidong et al. [40] proposes a novel triple-image encryption scheme based on S-box, chaotic system and image compression. The security analysis shows that the proposed scheme can effectively resist common cryptographic attack. Ali and Ali [41] proposed a new scheme based on chaotic maps for encryption using substitution, Boolean operation and permutation. In 2022 another scheme was proposed by Ali and Ali [42] for image encryption that uses a dynamic chaotic map and S-box.

These days, S-boxes are frequently used for security purposes and image encryption. Therefore, it is very important for the encryption algorithm to construct a good S-box. A good S-box is one that fulfills all cryptoghrapic properties.

### 1.4 Software Tools For S-box Analysis

A number of tools are available for investigating S-box characteristics. The main issue in those tools are: (i) not publicly available (ii) making them inaccessible to the general public (iii) Variation of results for the same test in different tools. Here is a list of freely available tools for evaluating Boolean functions or S-boxes.

- 1. Boolfun Package in R. [43] R is a statistical computing and graphics environment that is free to use. It's compatible with Mac OS, Windows, and UNIX. "Albeit" the default version of R doesn't permit the evaluation of Boolean functions. A package called Boolfun may be loaded to offer functionality for the cryptographic analysis of Boolean functions [44, 45].
- 2. Boolean Functions in Sage. [46] Sage is a free and open-source mathematics software. Boolean functions in Sage module allows you to examine the cryptographic properties of Boolean functions. Most significant cryptographic features associated with differential and linear properties of Boolean functions may be evaluated with this tool.
- 3. S-boxes in Sage. [46] Sage is software that permits you to treat S-boxes algebraically. This module has a lot of features, but when it comes to cryptographic properties, the only ones that can be calculated are the linear approximation matrix and the difference distribution Table.
- 4. VBF Library. [47] VBF stands for Vector Boolean Functions. Library is also included for completeness. Zufiria and Alverez-Cubero proposed a method for cryptographically evaluating vectorial Boolean functions, that can be used to determine various S-box properties.
- 5. S-box Evaluation Tool (SET) [48] stands for S-box Evaluation Program is an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) C-based tool for analysing the cryptographic properties of S-boxes and Boolean functions. This tool was developed by Stjepan Picek [48] and his colleagues to assess the cryptographic characteristics of S-boxes and Boolean functions. It's a free, opensource mathematics tool that is basic in nature and easy to use.

### 1.5 Thesis Objective

The objective of this thesis is to investigate the scheme proposed by Zahid et al. [49] for the construction of a strong S-box. The proposed scheme is based on cubic fractional transformation (CFT). On the bases of best knowledge it can be said that this method is the first method to create an S-box from the cubic fractional transformation (CFT). The properties of the generated S-box are examined, as well as the cryptographic strength of the constructed S-box, using the MATLAB and SET tools.

After successful construction of S-box of the reviewed scheme [49] it is then used for image encryption, by utilizing Logastic map. First, propoed S-box is used to substitute the pixel value of the digital image. Then two sequences are construct by using the same method which used for construction of S-box are construct. The sequences are utilized for the purpose of row and column wise circular shift. After this, Logistic map is iterate to generate a random sequence. At the end, cipherimage obtained by scrambling process with the help of random sequence. The remaining thesis is organized as follows

- Chapter 2 This chapter includes discussion on the basic mathematical concepts that are useful in cryptography such as Boolean functions, Galois field, their general properties, and how they contribute in the creation of strong S-boxes. Various cryptoraphic properties according to the general design principles of S-boxes are also explained.
- Chapter 3 describes the concept of CFT and introduces a method for constructing S-boxes using CFT. After that, the properties of proposed S-box are analysed. The properties of constructed S-box are checked using MAT-LAB and S-box Evaluation Tool (SET).
- Chapter 4 describe image encryption scheme by using the proposed S-box constructed in Chapter 3 and Logistic map. Moreover, some security analysis of proposed scheme are discussed.
- Chapter 5 gives the conclusion to the work of Chapter 3 and Chapter 4.

# Chapter 2

# Preliminaries

This chapter will discuss and explain an introduction to cryptology and some basic mathematics that are useful in cryptography, as well as the same features of S-boxes. In Section 2.1, brief introduction of cryptography and some of the fundamental concepts of cryptography. Section 2.2 some basic definitions (Group, Ring, Field and Finite Field etc.) are described with examples. In sections 2.3 and 2.4 give some basic idea of Galois Field and Boolean function. In section 2.5, some cryptographic properties of strong S-box are described.

### 2.1 Cryptology

Cryptology is the study of secret communication. The word cryptology is derived from the Greek words "kryptos" which means "hidden", and "logos", which means "word." In cryptology, communication between two people is made secure. One of them is the sender (Alice) and the other one (Bob) is the receiver. The sender converts the data into incomprehensible form using secret keys (which are pieces of information that are only known to them) and sends it to the receiver. After receiving the data Bob got the original form of data using the secret key that Alice used to incomprehensible the data. The original message is referred to as plaintext, while the incomprehensible message is referred to as ciphertext. Cryptology is divided into two main categories:

1. Cryptography

#### 2. Cryptanalysis

**Cryptography** is the process of converting original message or data into an incomprehensible text, and vice versa. It is a method of collecting and transmitting data in a particular configuration that can only be pursued by those who need it. Cryptography can also be used to verify user identity and protect data from theft or tampering.

In earlier cryptography, people used synonymously word in the place of different words for encryption, but currently, it is mostly based on mathematical hypotheses and computer applications. Many applications, including financial transactions, e-commerce transactions, and computer passwords use cryptography.

Plaintext, Ciphertext, Encryption Algorithm, Decryption Algorithm, and Key are the five essential components of a conventional cryptosystem.

- 1. Plaintext: It is the original form of data or message.
- 2. Ciphertext: It is the coded form of data or message.
- 3. Encryption Algorithm (E): It used to convert plaintext into ciphertext.
- 4. **Decryption Algorithm (D):** It sued to convert ciphertext into plaintext data.
- 5. **Key:** It is the special information used in encryption and decryption algorithms.

Two types of cryptographic techniques are used in general:

• Symmetric Key Encryption

#### • Asymmetric Key Encryption

Symmetric Key Encryption is a type of encryption in which both the sender and the recipient use the same key to encrypt and decrypt data. Secret-key encryption is another name of symmetric key encryption. The sender uses the key to encrypt plaintext and sends it to the recipient. The receiver, on the other hand, uses the same key to decrypt the encrypted message and recover the plaintext. Various examples of symmetric-key encryption algorithms are Data Encryption Standard (DES) [8], Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) [9], Triple DES [5], RC4 [50].



FIGURE 2.1: Symmetric-key encryption

The following encryption methods is used in symmetric key encryption:

- 1. **Stream Cipher:** A stream cipher is a text encryption symmetric-key scheme in which a cryptographic algorithm is applied to each binary digit in a data set by considering one bit at a time.
- 2. Block Cipher: A block cipher is a symmetric key encryption algorithm that changes a block of plaintext into an equal size block of ciphertext. The size of the block is fixed in the provided encryption technique. The block size has no effect on the encryption scheme's strength. The strength of the cipher is determined by the length of the key.

Asymmetric-key Encryption is a type of encryption in which data is encrypted and decrypted using a pair of keys. Asymmetric-key Encryption is also called public-key encryption. The first key is known as the public key, and it is accessible to everyone. The second key is known as the private key, and it must be kept hidden. The sender encrypts the plaintext with the public key, while the receiver decrypts ciphertext with the private key. Both keys are mathematically linked, but it is impossible to compute the private key using the public key. As a result, the receiver may be able to disseminate the public key widely. The public key can be used by anyone to encrypt communications for the receiver, but only the receiver can decode the information by using the private key. Examples of asymmetric-key encryption are McEliece [51], ElGamal [52] ,RSA [53]



FIGURE 2.2: Asymmetric-key encryption

**Cryptanalysis** is the process of breaking codes to decode the information encoded. Cryptanalysis is normally thought of as looking for defects in the underlying mathematics of a cryptographic system; however, looking for implementation flaws for example side-channel threats or low entropy inputs is also part of the process. The examined information is utilized to investigate the system's hidden points. Somebody who endeavors to play out this undertaking is known as a cryptanalyst. Cryptanalyst utilizes a algorithm to decode ciphertext without knowing the plaintext sources or encryption keys. In addition, a cryptanalyst attempts to improve existing techniques by detecting holes in a security protocol. This can be done by locating the key and enhancing the procedures if they lack the four properties of authentication, integrity, confidentiality, and non-repudiation.



FIGURE 2.3: Clasification of cryptology

### 2.2 Mathematical Background

To understand the construction and performance of the S-boxes, some basic concepts of group, Ring, Field, Finite Field and Galois field are presented.

#### Definition 2.2.1.

Consider u and v be two integers where  $v \neq 0$ . If there exists a number w such that u = vw, we say that v divides u or that v is the **divisor** of u. We write v|u to represent that v divides u. If v does not divides u, then it written as  $v \not| u$ .

#### Definition 2.2.2.

Consider u and v to be two positive integers and w is called **greatest common** divisor (GCD) of both u and v, if w is their largest number which divides both u and v then it is represented as:

$$gcd(u,v) = w$$

If greatest common divisor of u and v is one, they are said to be **relatively prime**.

The **Euclidean Algorithm** is helpful for determining the greatest common divisor of two positive numbers.

The Euclidean Algorithm for computing gcd (a,b) is as follows:

gcd(u, b = v)

- 1. X = u; Y = v
- 2. if Y = 0 return  $X = \gcd(u, v)$
- 3.  $Z = X \mod Y$
- 4. X = Y
- 5. Y = Z
- $6. \ \mathrm{go \ to} \ 2$

#### Example 2.2.3.

Compute gcd of (4202, 3520). Evaluate gcd by using the Euclidean Algorithm. First divide 4202 by 3520.

$$4202 = 3520(1) + 682$$

Next, divide 3520 by the remainder 682 and continue this process.

$$3520 = 682(5) + 110$$
$$682 = 110(6) + 22$$
$$110 = 22(5) + 0$$

So gcd (4202, 3520) = 22.

#### Example 2.2.4.

Compute gcd(5429, 1567).

Using the Euclidean Algorithm.

5429 = 1567(3) + 7281567 = 728(2) + 111728 = 111(6) + 62111 = 62(1) + 4962 = 49(1) + 1349 = 13(3) + 1013 = 10(1) + 310 = 3(3) + 13 = 1(3) + 0

Hence gcd (5429, 1567)=1, therefore (5429, 1567) are relatively prime.

#### Definition 2.2.5.

Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic is define as: "Every natural number greater than 1 can be written as a product of primes, and the expression of a number as a product of primes is unique except for the order of the factors" [54]. Let X be a composite number then it can be written as:

$$X = y_1^{m_1} \times y_2^{m_2} \times y_3^{m_3} \times \dots \times y_n^{m_n}$$

where  $m_n \ge 0$  and  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n$  are prime numbers, written in an ascending order  $y_1 \le y_2 \le y_3 \le \dots \le y_n$ . If prime number are same then they can be combined to give power of prime number.

#### Example 2.2.6.

Factorization of 20 and 15 can be performed as:

$$20 = 2 \times 2 \times 5 = 2^2 \times 5$$

 $15 = 3 \times 5$ 

#### Definition 2.2.7.

The **Modular arithmetic** is a system of arithmetic for integers, in which numbers "wrap around" when reaching a given fixed number, this given number is called the modulus.

Let u, v and w are integers and w is modulus then mathematically written as:

 $u\equiv v \mod w$ 

TABLE 2.1: Addition table of integer in mod 8

+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0
2	2	3	4	5	6	7	0	1
3	3	4	5	6	7	0	1	2
4	4	5	6	7	0	1	2	3
5	5	6	7	0	1	2	3	4
6	6	7	0	1	2	3	4	5
7	7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

TABLE 2.2: Multiplication table of integers mod 8

×	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	0	2	4	6	0	2	4	6
3	0	3	6	1	4	7	2	5
4	0	4	0	4	0	4	0	4
5	0	5	2	7	4	1	6	3
6	0	6	4	2	0	6	4	2
7	0	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

#### Example 2.2.8.

Addition of element of the set of residue classes modulo 8 and multiplication of element of the set of residue classes modulo 8 are shown in Table 2.1 and Table 2.2, respectively.

#### Definition 2.2.9.

An integer v is said to be **multiplicative inverse** of another integer u modulo m, if  $uv \equiv 1 \mod m$ . The multiplicative inverse of a number u under modulo m exist if and only if gcd(u, m) = 1

#### Example 2.2.10.

The multiplicative inverse of  $23 \equiv 2 \mod 7$  under the modulo 7.

The gcd(23,7) = 1, therefore multiplicative inverse of 23 under the modulo 7 exists.

 $23 \times 0 \equiv 0, \mod 7$   $23 \times 1 \equiv 2, \mod 7$   $23 \times 2 \equiv 4, \mod 7$   $23 \times 3 \equiv 6, \mod 7$  $23 \times 4 \equiv 1, \mod 7$ 

Hence multiplicative inverse of 23 under the modulo 7 is 4.

#### Definition 2.2.11.

A binary operation  $\star$  on a set H is a function  $\star : H \times H \to H$  such that for every  $(u \star v) \in H \times H$  the binary operation  $\star$  assigns a unique element  $w \in H$ , then we say that the pair  $(H, \star)$  has a binary structure.

#### Definition 2.2.12.

The set H under operation  $\star$  is called a **groupoid** if it is closed with respect to  $\star$ .

#### Example 2.2.13.

The set of even number E and the set of odd number O are groupoids with respect to addition.

#### Definition 2.2.14.

The set H under operation  $\star$  is called a **semi group** if:

- i) It is closed with respect to  $\star$ .
- ii) It is associative with respect to  $\star$ .

#### Example 2.2.15.

Set of natural number  $\mathbb{N}$  is a semi group with respect to addition.

#### Definition 2.2.16.

The set H under operation  $\star$  is called a **monoid** if:

- i) It is closed with respect to  $\star$ .
- ii) It is associative with respect to  $\star$ .
- iii) It has an identity element with respect to  $\star$ .

#### Example 2.2.17.

Set of natural number  $\mathbb{N}$  is a monoid with respect to multiplication.

#### Definition 2.2.18.

The set H and  $\star$  is an operation applied on it, then the structure  $(H, \star)$  is said to be **group** if;

- i) It is closed with respect to  $\star$ .
- ii) It is associative with respect to  $\star$ .
- iii) It has an identity element with respect to  $\star$ .
- iv) Every element of H has an inverse element in H with respect to  $\star$ .

#### Definition 2.2.19.

A group under the operation of  $\star$  is said to be **abelian or commutative** if it holds commutative property.

#### Example 2.2.20.

The following are the example of group:

- i) Integers (Z) is a group under the operation of addition.
- ii)  $\mathbb{R} 0$  is a group under the operation of multiplication.

- *iii*) The set of matrices M of order  $(m \times n)$  i.e.  $M_{(m \times n)}$  ( $\mathbb{R}$ ) is a group under the operation of addition.
- iv) The set of integer under modulo  $m \mathbb{Z}_m$  is a group under the operation of addition.

#### Definition 2.2.21.

For a nonempty set R with two binary operations '+' and '.' (usually written as addition and multiplication), than the structure  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is called **ring** if;

- i) The set R under the binary operation of addition is an abelian group.
- ii) It holds the associative property with respect to  $\cdot \cdot$ .

$$u \cdot (v \cdot w) = (u \cdot v) \cdot w \quad \forall \ u, v, w \in R$$

*iii*) Distributive law holds in R. i.e  $\forall u, v, w \in R$ 

 $u \cdot (v + w) = (u \cdot v) + (u \cdot w)$  (Left distributive law)

 $(v+w) \cdot u = (v \cdot u) + (w \cdot u)$  (Right distributive law)

#### Example 2.2.22.

The following are the example of ring:

- *i*) The set of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$  forms a ring  $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$ .
- ii) The set of integers (Z) forms a ring (Z, +, ·).
- *iii*) The set  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  of integers class modulo n forms a ring  $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +, \cdot)$ .
- iv) The set of rational number  $\mathbb{Q}$  forms a ring  $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$ .

#### Definition 2.2.23.

For a non-empty set K with two operations '+' and '.', then the structure  $(K, +, \cdot)$  is said to be **field** if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- i) The set K forms an abelian or commutative group with respect to addition.
- ii)  $K \{0\}$  forms an abelian or commutative group with respect to multiplication.
- *iii*) K holds distributive law. i.e  $\forall u, v, w \in K$

$$u \cdot (v + w) = (u \cdot v) + (u \cdot w)$$
 Left distributive law

 $(v+w) \cdot u = (v \cdot u) + (w \cdot u)$  Right distributive law

#### Example 2.2.24.

The following are the example of field:

- *i*) The set of real number  $\mathbb{R}$  forms a field  $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$ .
- ii) The set of rational number  $\mathbb{Q}$  forms a field  $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$ .
- *iii*) The set of complex number  $\mathbb{C}$  forms a field  $(\mathbb{C}, +, \cdot)$ .
- iv) If  $K = \{u + v\sqrt{3} \ \forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , then K is a field.
- $\boldsymbol{v}$ ) The set of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is a field  $(\mathbb{Z}_p, +, \cdot)$ , where p is a prime number.

#### Definition 2.2.25.

A finite field is a field that has a finite number of elements.

### 2.3 Galois Field

A field with finite number of element is called **Galois Field**. The name of Galois field is in honour of the French mathematician Evariste Galois (1811-1832) [55]. The number of elements in a Galois field is  $y^n$ , where y' is prime number and n' is positive integer and denoted by  $GF(y^n)$ . For a prime number y' the set of integer  $Z_y = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, y - 1\}$  is called prime field and it is denoted by GF(y). The Galois Field's elements are defined as following:

$$GF(y^n) = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \cdots, y - 1\} \cup$$

$$\{y, y+1, y+2, \cdots, y+y-1\} \cup$$
  
$$\{y^2, y^2+1, y^2+2, \cdots, y^2+y-1\} \cup \cdots$$
  
$$\cup \{y^{n-1}, y^{n-1}+1, y^{n-1}+2, \cdots, y^{n-1}+y-1\}$$

where 'y' and 'n' represent prime number and positive integer respectively. The order of the field is 'y<sup>n</sup>' while the characteristics of the field is represented by 'y'. Each element has a polynomial of degree at most n - 1.

From a cryptographical point of view, these cases are particularly interested as shown below:

- GF(y), with n = 1
- $GF(2^n)$ , with y = 2

#### Definition 2.3.1.

The elements of  $GF(y^n)$ , are the **polynomial** of degree at most n.

$$f(y) = \sum a_i y^i \quad \forall \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \cdots n$$

where  $a_i$  shows the coefficients and  $y^i$  are variables, the degree of polynomial is actually the highest power of w.

#### Definition 2.3.2.

The term **irreducible polynomial** refers to a polynomial m(w) that can not be factorised as the product of more than one polynomials of lower degree. Otherwise, it is known as "**reducible polynomial**".

The polynomials  $w^3 + w^2 + 1$ ,  $w^4 + w + 1$  and  $w^5 + w^3 + 1$  are the examples of irreducible polynomials over GF(2) whereas  $w^3 + 1$ ,  $w^2 + w$  are reducible polynomials over GF(2).

#### Example 2.3.3.

Consider an irreducible polynomial  $m(w) = (w^8 + w^6 + w^5 + w^4 + 1)$ , and two polynomials  $(w^7 + w^2 + 1)$  and  $(w^6 + w^4 + w^2 + w + 1)$ , then their product mod
m(w) is:

$$(w^{7} + w^{2} + 1)(w^{6} + w^{4} + w^{2} + w + 1) \mod (w^{8} + w^{6} + w^{5} + w^{4} + 1)$$
$$= (w^{13} + w^{11} + w^{9} + w^{7} + w^{3} + w + 1) \mod (w^{8} + w^{6} + w^{5} + w^{4} + 1)$$
$$= (w^{4} + w^{3} + w^{2} + w) \mod (w^{8} + w^{6} + w^{5} + w^{4} + 1)$$

### Example 2.3.4.

Consider an irreducible polynomial  $m(w) = (w^8 + w^6 + w^5 + w^4 + 1)$ , and two polynomials  $(w^7 + w^4 + w^2 + 1)$  and  $(w^4 + w^3 + w)$ , then their product mod m(w)is:

$$\begin{split} (w^7+w^4+w^2+1)(w^4+w^3+w) & \mod (w^8+w^6+w^5+w^4+1) \\ &=(w^{11}+w^{10}+w^7+w^6+w^4+w) & \mod (w^8+w^6+w^5+w^4+1) \\ &=(w^6+w^5+w^4+w^3+w^2) & \mod (w^8+w^6+w^5+w^4+1) \end{split}$$

The following are 30 irreducible polynomials [56] of degree 8 with coefficients in  $GF(2^8)$  as given below:

23. $w^8 + w^6 + w^5 + w^4 + 1$	27. $w^8 + w^5 + w^4 + w^3 + 1$
24. $w^8 + w^6 + w^3 + w^2 + 1$	28. $w^8 + w^5 + w^3 + w + 1$
25. $w^8 + w^5 + w^4 + w^3 + w^2 + w + 1$	29. $w^8 + w^4 + w^3 + w^2 + 1$
26. $w^8 + w^5 + w^3 + w^2 + 1$	30. $w^8 + w^4 + w^3 + w + 1$

## 2.4 Boolean Function

A Boolean function is a mapping  $f : B^n \to B$ , where *n* is non-negative integer and  $B = \{0, 1\}$ . The name of Boolean function is given in honour of the British mathematician G. Boole (1815-1864) [57]. A Boolean function can be written as *n*-tuples  $(w_1, w_2, ..., w_n) \to \{0, 1\}$ , where  $w_i \in B$  and  $1 \le i \le n$ .

### 2.4.1 Properties of Boolean Functions

In cryptography, Boolean functions are important elements used for the construction for S-Box. There have been many criteria for designing Boolean functions to resist for known cryptographic attacks. Boolean functions are widely utilized in stream ciphers' stream production mechanism etc. This section discusses some important properties for the Boolean function that makes it very useful for the cryptographic point of view.

#### Definition 2.4.1.

For a set  $B = \{0, 1\}$ , a **linear Boolean function** is a function  $f : B^n \to B$  that can be define as:

$$f(w_1, w_2, \cdots, w_n) = b_1 w_1 \oplus b_2 w_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus b_n w_n$$

where  $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in B$  and  $\oplus$  is the XOR operation,  $b_i w_i$  has AND Boolean function on the  $i^{th}$  bits of b and w [58]. The linear function is denoted by  $L_b(w)$ .

#### Definition 2.4.2.

An **affine function** is denoted by  $A_{b,c}(w)$  and defined as:

$$A_{b,c}(w) = L_b(w) \oplus c$$

where  $L_b(w)$  is linear Boolean function and  $c \in [0, 1]$ . In Affine Cipher affine function over modulo 'm' is used to encrypt the plaintext. Affine cipher is a of the simple example of substitution cipher. Affine cipher performs addition and multiplication by using the function;

$$f(w) = \Phi w \oplus \Psi \mod m$$

where  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are the secret keys which can also be written as  $(\Phi, \Psi)$ .

### Definition 2.4.3.

If the number of zeros and ones in the corresponding truth table are equal, then the Boolean function  $f: B^n \to B$  is called **balanced**.

$w_1$	$w_2$	$w_1 \cdot w_2$	$w_1 \oplus w_2$
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

TABLE 2.3: Truth Table of XOR, AND functions

### Example 2.4.4.

To provide a comparison of balanced and unbalanced functions, for this consider the following two Boolean functions, XOR and AND defined as:

$$f_1 = \oplus : B^2 \to B$$
$$f_2 = \cdot : B^2 \to B$$

These function can be defined by the following truth table for two variables  $w_1$  and  $w_2$ .

The last column of Table 2.3 has equal number of zeros to number of ones, represent that XOR function is balanced while the third column of the Table 2.3 has unequal number of zeros and ones, represent that AND function is not balanced.

### Definition 2.4.5.

In a binary sequence the total number of non-zero digits tells the **Hamming** weight of that sequence. It is denoted by "H(w)", where  $w \in [0, 1]^n$ .

For example: w = 101001 then H(101001) = 3.

The **Hamming distance** between two boolean functions f(w), g(w) is defined as follows:

$$d(f,g) = H(f(w) \oplus g(w))$$

Here,

$$f(w) \oplus g(w) = f(w_0) \oplus g(w_0) \oplus f(w_1) \oplus g(w_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus f(w_{2^n} - 1) \oplus g(w_{2^n} - 1)$$

where  $w = (w_0, w_1, w_2, \cdots, w_{2^n} - 1) \in B^n$ .

### Example 2.4.6.

Consider two Boolean functions:

$$f(w) = 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1$$
$$g(w) = 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0$$

then the Humming distance between f and g is d(f;g) = 5

### Example 2.4.7.

Consider two Boolean functions with  $w = (w_1, w_2, w_3)$ 

$$f(w) = w_1 \cdot w_2 \cdot w_3$$
 and  $g(w) = w_1 \oplus w_2 \oplus w_3$ 

with input bits  $w_1, w_2, w_3$ .

then the Hamming distance of these Boolean functions is

$$d(f;g) = H(f(w) \oplus g(w))$$
$$= H(w_1 \cdot w_2 \cdot w_3 \oplus w_1 \oplus w_2 \oplus w_3)$$

$w_1$ $w_1$ $w_3$	$w_1 \cdot w_2 \cdot w_3$	$w_1\oplus w_2\oplus w_3$	$(f\oplus g)$
1 0 0	0	1	1
$1 \ 0 \ 1$	0	0	0
1 1 0	0	0	0
1 1 1	1	1	0
0 0 0	0	0	0
0 0 1	0	1	1
0 1 0	0	1	1
0 1 1	0	0	0

TABLE 2.4: The Hamming distance of two Boolean functions "f" and "g"

Thus from Table 2.4 Hamming distance of "f" and "g" is calculated as 3.

### Definition 2.4.8.

The Boolean function's Walsh-Hadamard transformation is denoted by the symbol  $WHT_f$  and is defined as:

$$WHT_f(\beta) = \sum (-1)^{f(w) \oplus \beta \cdot w} \quad \forall \quad \beta, \ w \in B^n$$

where  $B = \{0, 1\}^n$  and  $\beta \cdot w$  represent the inner product of vectors  $\beta$  and w.

### Example 2.4.9.

Walsh Hadamard transform with Boolean function of,

$$f(w) = w_1 w_2 w_3 \oplus w_1 w_4 \oplus w_2$$

is given in the Table 2.5 below:

$w = w_1 w_2 w_3 w_4$	f(w)	$(-1)^{f(w)}$	dim3	dim2	dim1	dim0
0 0 0 0	0	1	2	4	0	0
$0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1$	0	1	0	0	0	0
$0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0$	1	-1	-2	-4	8	8
$0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1$	1	-1	0	0	0	8
$0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0$	0	1	2	0	0	0
$0\ 1\ 0\ 1$	0	1	0	0	0	0
$0\ 1\ 1\ 0$	1	-1	-2	0	0	0
$0\ 1\ 1\ 1$	0	1	0	0	0	0
$1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0$	0	1	0	0	0	4
$1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1$	1	-1	2	4	4	-4
$1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0$	1	-1	0	0	0	4
$1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1$	0	1	-2	0	4	-4
$1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0$	0	1	0	0	0	-4
$1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1$	1	-1	2	0	-4	4
$1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0$	1	-1	0	0	0	0
1111	1	-1	2	-4	4	-4

TABLE 2.5: Truth table of  $WHT_f$ 

So the walsh transform of f is 12.

### Definition 2.4.10.

A Walsh Hadamard matrix H is an " $n \times n$ " matrix with element  $\pm 1$  of order n. If first column and row of a Hadamard matrix are all one then its called normalized [59]. The rows and column of Walsh Hadamard matrix are pairwise orthogonal. Hadamard matrices were first constructed by James Joseph Sylvester in 1867 [60]. The Walsh Hadamard matrices of dimension  $2^n$  are given by the recursive formula. Some examples of Walsh Hadamard matrix are given below.

In general

$$H(2^{n}) = \begin{bmatrix} H(2^{n-1}) & H(2^{n-1}) \\ H(2^{n-1}) & -H(2^{n-1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

# 2.5 Cryptographic Properties of a Strong S-box

S-box is an important tool of symmetric cryptographic algorithms. Its cryptographic properties are important in many encryption scheme algorithms security cipher such as AES [61], DES [10]. Diffusion and Confusion [7] are important properties of a block cipher such as AES [61], DES [10], etc. Generally an S-box has  $n \times m$  bits in which *n*-bits are taken an input to produce *m*-bits as an output using some bijective function. Constructing an S-box that fulfills the linear and differential characteristics is critical. There are well-known requirements that a good S-box must meet in for the cipher to be resistant against differential and linear cryptanalysis. A strong S-box has the following properties.

- Balanced: If the number of zeros and ones in an S-box with n input and m output bits are equal, then the S-box is balanced [62].
- 2. Non-linearity: The non-linearity of a Boolean function  $f(w) : B^n \to B$ indicates the number of bits that changed into the truth table to approach the nearest affine function [33], where  $B = \{0, 1\}$ .

Non-linearity of an S-box ensures the protection against the attack of linear cryptanalysis. Non-linearity of a Boolean function is represented by NL(f) and calculated as:

$$NL(f) = 2^{n-1} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \max \left( WHT_f(\beta) \right) \right)$$

where,  $WHT_f(\beta)$  is the Walsh Hadamard transformation of Boolean function f(w), which is calculated as:

$$WHT_f(\beta) = \sum (-1)^{f(w) \oplus \beta \cdot w} \quad \forall \quad \beta, \ w \in B^n$$

where  $\beta \cdot w$  is the inner product of vectors  $\beta$  and w.

- Bent Function: Rothaus introduced bent Boolean function in 1976 [63].
   A bent function is a maximally nonlinear Boolean function with an even number of variables.
- 4. Strict Avalanche Criterion (SAC): Webster and Tavares [64] proposed the strict avalanche criterion (SAC) in 1985. The SAC is defined as the output bit changed by  $\frac{1}{2}$  when a single input is changed. The value of SAC nearer to 0.5 is deemed suitable.

A function  $f: B^m \to B^n$  fulfills the SAC if  $\forall i, j \in (1, 2, 3, \dots, m)$  flipping input bit *i* change the output *j* with the probability  $\frac{1}{2}$ . The SAC is satisfied by an S-box if and only if the following conditions are met:

$$\frac{1}{2^n}W(a_j^{e_i}) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \forall \ i, j$$

where

$$W(a_j^{e_i}) = \sum_{\forall X \in B^m} a_j^{e_i}$$

and  $a_i^{e_i} \in B$ , where  $B = \{0, 1\}$ .

5. Bit Independence Criterion (BIC): Tavares and Webster [64] also introduced the BIC. By the definition of BIC two output bits change independently when a single input bit is inverted.

A function  $f : B^m \to B^n$  fulfills the bit independent criterion if  $\forall i, j, k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$  with  $j \neq k$ , the change in an input bit 'i' causes a in two output bits j and k independently.

"To measure the bit independence concept the correlation coefficient is needed between the  $j^{\text{th}}$  and  $k^{\text{th}}$  components of the output difference string, which is called the avalanche vector  $A^{ei}$ . A bit independence parameter corresponding to the effect of  $i^{\text{th}}$  input bit change on the  $j^{\text{th}}$  and  $k^{\text{th}}$  bits of  $A^{ei}$  is defined as [65]

$$BIC(a_j, a_k) = \max_{1 \le i \le n} |corr(a_j^{e_i}, a_k^{e_i})|$$

Overall, the bit independence criterion parameter for S-box function f is then found as

$$BIC(f) = \max_{\substack{1 \le j, \ k \le n \\ j \ne k}} BIC(a_j, a_k)$$

which demonstrates how close f is to satisfying the BIC. BIC(f) takes values in B. It is ideally equal to 0 and, in the worst case, it is equal to 1."

6. Algebraic Degree A Boolean function f with n-variable can be represented in various forms. One of the simplest form is represented as polynomials over GF(2). This is referred to as a Boolean function's algebraic normal form (ANF). This polynomial's degree represents the algebraic degree or simply the degree of a Boolean function. The maximum algebraic degree of a Boolean function with *n*-variable balanced function is n - 1 [66].

7. Correlation Immunity (CI): Siegenthaler [67] proposed correlation immunity of functions to protect against correlation attacks many shift registerbased stream ciphers. The *n*-variable Boolean function has correlation immunity if  $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3, ..., n\}$ 

$$Prob(f(w_1, w_2, \cdots, w_n) = w_i) = \frac{1}{2}$$

for  $(w_1, w_2, \cdots, w_n)$  randomly picked from  $\{0, 1\}^n$ .

The high correlation immunity value is a powerful tool for retaining against the Siegenthaler correlation attack. [67]. The CI of the concept of statistical independence is designed with a stronger constraint.

8. Algebraic Immunity (AI): Let  $g(w) \in F_n$  and there exists a Boolean function  $h(w) \in F_n$  and  $h(w) \neq 0$ , then algebraic immunity is define as the lowest degree of function h(w) such that

$$g(w)h(w) = 0$$
 or  $(g(w) \oplus 1)h(w) = 0$ 

where function h(w) is known as annihilator of f(w) if g(w)h(w) = 0.

Meier et al. [68] was the first to introduce AI. The expression AI(f(w)) represents the function f(w) algebraic immunity. The Boolean function used in a cryptographic system needs to have high algebraic immunity in order to fend off algebraic attacks. "It is well known that the algebraic immunity of an n-variable Boolean function is upper bounded by  $\frac{n}{2}$ " [69].

9. Fixed Points: For an  $n \times m$  S-box  $S : GF(B^n) \to GF(B^m)$  and for  $w \in GF(B^n)$ , then the point is called fixed point of S-box if

$$S(w) = w$$

### Example 2.5.1.

Consider a  $2 \times 2$  S-box with 2 Boolean functions as shown in Table 2.6 TABLE 2.6: S-box fixed point

GF(2)	Binary format $GF(2)$	S-box	Binary format S-box
0	00	1	01
1	01	3	11
2	10	2	10
3	11	0	00

Here in the above Table 2.6, it can be seen that "1" is a fixed point of S-box.

10. **Opposite Fixed Points:** For an  $n \times m$  S-box  $S : GF(B^n) \to GF(B^m)$  and for  $w \in GF(B^n)$ , the point is called opposite fixed point of S-box if

$$S(w) = \overline{w}$$

where  $\overline{w}$  is the bit-wise complement of w.

### Example 2.5.2.

Consider a  $2 \times 2$  S-box with 2 Boolean functions as shown in Table 2.7

TABLE 2.7: S-box opposite fixed point

GF(2)	Binary format $GF(2)$	S-box	Binary format S-box
0	00	1	01
1	01	2	10
2	10	3	11
3	11	0	00

In this example discussed in Table 2.7 "1" is an opposite fixed point of S-box.

Any S-box without fixed and opposite fixed points is considered as more resistant to differential cryptanalysis attacks when compared to S-boxes with fixed and opposite fixed points. 11. Absolute Indicator and Sum of Square Indicator: The Boolean function  $f: GF(B^n) \to GF(B)$  with absolute indicator is defined as:

$$\Delta_{f(w)} = \max_{a \in GF(B^n), a \neq 0} \mid \Delta_{f(w)}(a) \mid$$

For a Boolean function  $f: GF(B^n) \to GF(B)$ , the sum of square indicator is defined as:

$$\sigma_{f(w)} = \sum_{a \in GF(B^n)} \left( \Delta_{f(w)}(a) \right)^n$$

The above indicators are known as the "global avalanche characteristics" of two Boolean function [70]. Where  $\Delta_{f(w)}$  is Auto-correlation (AC) of a Boolean function f(w) and can be defined on all  $a \in GF(B^n)$  as:

$$\Delta_{f(w)}(a) = \sum (-1)^{f((w) \oplus f((w \oplus a))} \quad \text{where } (w \in GF(B^n))$$

12. Linear Probability (LP): The S-box's resistance against linear attacks is evaluated by linear probability. When the nonlinearity of the S-box increases, cryptanalysis attacks become more difficult.

"The value of LP of an S-box is eveluated as" [71]:

$$LP = \max_{C_w, D_w \neq 0} \left| \frac{\#\{w \in Z | w \cdot C_w = S(w) \cdot D_w\}}{2^n} - \frac{1}{2} \right|$$

where  $C_w$  and  $D_w$  are the input and output masks and  $Z = \{0, 1, 2, ..., 2^n - 1\}$ .

13. Differential Probability (DP): The S-box's resistance against differential attacks is evaluated by differential probability. The value of DP of an substitution box is calculated as:

$$\mathrm{DP}_{h}(\Delta d \to \Delta x) = \max_{C_{w} \neq 0, D_{w}} \Big( \frac{\#\{d \in C | h(d) \oplus h(d \oplus \Delta d) = \Delta w\}}{2^{n}} \Big)$$

where C is the total number of inputs possible and  $2^n$  is the number of elementes and  $\Delta d$  and  $\Delta y$  respectively, represent the input and output differentials. [72].

# Chapter 3

# S-box Construction Using Cubic Fractional Transformation (CFT)

Zahid et al [49], in 2019 proposed a method for constructing of efficient S-box by using cubic fractional transformation (CFT). This chapter discusses the techniques of constructing an S-box using cubic fractional transformation. The simulation and comparison analyses demonstrate that the suggested method for constructing S-box yields effective S-box for use in block ciphers. **S-box Evaluation Tool** (SET) [48] and MATLAB has been used to analyze the cryptographic characteristics of the S-box.

# 3.1 Construction of S-box

Rapid progress in communication technology and transfer of sensitive information through internent has become a challenge. For this purpose many beneficial encryption techniques have been developed. There are two types of cryptographic encryption algorithms: symmetric encryption algorithms and asymmetric encryption algorithms. AES [61] and DES [61] are the most popular symmetric encryption algorithms.

The literature that is currently available makes it clear that S-boxes generated

using random approaches, such as chaos or some other pseudo-random source, are not found to have strong cryptographic properties when compared to S-boxes generated using algebraic methods [73]. Another area that assists in the generation of new S-Boxes is linear fractional transformation (LFT). In [33, 73–76] authors propose effective algorithms to construct better S-boxes based on LFT. A LFT can be define as:

$$L(w) = \frac{v_1 w + v_2}{v_3 w + v_4}, \qquad w \in Z_n$$
(3.1)

where, the four values  $v_1, v_2, v_3$ , and  $v_4$  are from a finite field  $GF(2^8)$ . Linear fraction transformation is also called Mobius transformation.

### 3.1.1 Cubic Fractional Transformation (CFT)

As in Section 3.1 many techniques are mentioned that are used to contruct proposed S-boxes. Many techniques have been used for construction of a strong non-linear S-box such as the chaotic and algebraic structures. In this section, an extended idea of LFT is used to generate an effective proposed S-box. This extended transformation is known as cubic fractional transformation (CFT). CFT is given as:

$$F(w) = \frac{1}{uw^3 + v} \mod (2^n + 1) \text{ where } u, v, w \in Z_n$$
 (3.2)

and  $Z_n = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^n - 1\}$ , both  $u, v \neq 0$  at the same time also  $uw^3 + v \neq 0$ . When using it to generate the output value F(w), this should be avoided. During the operation of the proposed scheme, the existence of the CFT discontinuity point is gingerly checked when creating the S-box elements. Because of nonlinear nature of the CFT, it is frequently use in byte substitution. For the construction of the S-box Equation (3.2) is utilized. For n = 8 so,  $Z_n$  becomes  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 255\}$ .

For the construction of the S-box presented in this thesis the value of u and v are chosen as u = 95, v = 15 then Equation (3.2) become

$$F(w) = \frac{1}{95w^3 + 15} \mod 257 \tag{3.3}$$



FIGURE 3.1: Flow chart of proposed S-box

The Equation (3.3) gives the value of  $Z_n - \{0, 106\}$  when  $w \in Z_n - \{176, 184\}$ . This Eq. 3.3 gives  $256 \notin Z_n$  at w = 176, and for w = 184 the denominator of Equation (3.3) becomes 0 which contradicts the condition  $uw^3 + v \neq 0$ . Hence the modified CFT becomes as following:

$$F(w) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{uw^3 + v} \mod 257 & \text{if } w \in Z_n - \{176, 184\} \\ 0 & \text{if } w = 176 \\ 106 & \text{if } w = 184 \end{cases}$$
(3.4)

This modified CFT as presented in Equation (3.4) generates the element of proposed S-box, which are arranged in  $16 \times 16$  matrix in Table 3.1.

78	FA	C1	B4	58	$\mathbf{DF}$	B9	70	D2	F2	E9	F1	5B	$5\mathrm{F}$	35	AE
84	73	$7\mathrm{D}$	DC	4A	87	BE	50	48	68	$2\mathrm{B}$	08	$\mathbf{EF}$	26	C2	BA
B7	99	$1\mathrm{F}$	A0	74	9D	72	A5	30	0D	34	DD	F4	3F	18	77
$2\mathrm{E}$	AB	A9	$9\mathrm{E}$	09	B1	2A	$7\mathrm{B}$	$8\mathrm{C}$	7A	6F	D8	F5	62	46	C5
CB	$\mathbf{EB}$	A8	BB	0E	1A	89	8A	65	3C	E1	64	71	$1\mathrm{C}$	C3	92
1D	C7	BD	56	D6	66	C8	27	B2	BF	E3	2C	$1\mathrm{B}$	0F	F6	8D
90	86	$\mathbf{FF}$	13	16	$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{C}$	12	8B	52	23	9C	39	D1	B5	$4\mathrm{F}$	$5\mathrm{D}$
BC	$\mathrm{E7}$	CE	61	4D	80	8F	9B	A7	3B	D0	$\mathbf{AF}$	$\mathrm{FD}$	03	49	DA
$3\mathrm{E}$	3D	2F	9F	$4\mathrm{E}$	44	88	$7\mathrm{E}$	3A	24	98	$\mathbf{FC}$	F9	2D	43	E5
36	38	63	06	$5\mathrm{E}$	C6	91	E2	AD	F7	22	0B	55	57	F8	76
C0	D5	85	D4	ED	15	$5\mathrm{C}$	14	D7	79	DB	31	6D	32	EE	40
00	B0	42	01	$4\mathrm{C}$	$\mathbf{FE}$	96	DE	6A	81	CD	28	C4	$7\mathrm{F}$	E6	B3
9A	45	$1\mathrm{E}$	A3	21	0A	04	37	02	69	07	75	47	41	51	FB
94	AA	B6	D9	E8	$\mathbf{EC}$	97	$7\mathrm{C}$	E0	11	83	29	A6	A1	60	B8
6B	53	A2	25	82	$\mathbf{AC}$	E4	$4\mathrm{B}$	19	67	$\mathbf{F0}$	93	6C	$\operatorname{CF}$	D3	EA
20	6E	33	17	10	C9	CA	A4	0C	54	95	F3	$8\mathrm{E}$	05	5A	59

TABLE 3.1: S-Box

As already mentioned that any value of u and v  $(u, v \in Z_n)$  can be used in Equation (3.2) to construct the elements of an S-box. The process to construct the S-box is shown in Figure 3.1 for n = 8, u = 95 and v = 15.

### 3.1.2 Inverse S-box

The S-box is simply run in reverse to create the inverse S-box. For example, the inverse S-box value of 78 is B0. Table 3.2 shows the inverse S-box element of the proposed S-box.

B0	B3	C8	$7\mathrm{D}$	C6	FD	93	CA	1B	34	C5	9B	$\mathbf{F8}$	29	44	$5\mathrm{D}$
F4	D9	66	63	A7	A5	64	F3	$2\mathrm{E}$	E8	45	$5\mathrm{C}$	4D	50	C2	22
F0	C4	9A	69	89	E3	1D	57	BB	DB	36	1A	5B	8D	30	82
28	AB	AD	F2	2A	0E	90	C7	91	6B	88	79	49	81	80	$2\mathrm{D}$
AF	CD	B2	$8\mathrm{E}$	85	C1	3E	$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{C}$	18	$7\mathrm{E}$	14	$\mathrm{E7}$	B4	74	84	6E
17	CE	68	E1	F9	9C	53	9D	04	$\mathbf{FF}$	$\mathbf{FE}$	0C	A6	6F	94	$0\mathrm{D}$
DE	73	3D	92	4B	48	55	E9	19	C9	B8	E0	$\mathbf{EC}$	$\mathbf{AC}$	F1	3A
07	$4\mathrm{C}$	26	11	24	CB	9F	$2\mathrm{F}$	00	A9	39	37	D7	12	87	BD
75	B9	E4	DA	10	A2	61	15	86	46	47	67	38	$5\mathrm{F}$	$\mathbf{FC}$	76
60	96	$4\mathrm{F}$	$\mathbf{EB}$	D0	FA	B6	D6	8A	21	C0	77	6A	25	33	83
23	DD	E2	C3	F7	27	DC	78	42	32	D1	31	E5	98	0F	$7\mathrm{B}$
B1	35	58	BF	03	6D	D2	20	DF	06	$1\mathrm{F}$	43	70	52	16	59
A0	02	$1\mathrm{E}$	$4\mathrm{E}$	BC	3F	95	51	56	F5	F6	40	65	ВА	72	ED
7A	6C	08	EE	A3	A1	54	A8	3B	D3	$7\mathrm{F}$	AA	13	2B	B7	05
D8	4A	97	5A	E6	8F	BE	71	D4	0A	$\mathbf{EF}$	41	D5	A4	AE	$1\mathrm{C}$
EA	0B	09	$\mathbf{FB}$	2C	3C	$5\mathrm{E}$	99	$9\mathrm{E}$	$8\mathrm{C}$	01	$\mathbf{CF}$	8B	$7\mathrm{C}$	B5	62

TABLE 3.2: Inverse S-Box

# 3.2 Properties and Analysis of the Proposed Sbox

Substitution boxes have a prominent place in both modern and ancient public key cryptography ciphers. In modern cryptography encryption scheme based on cryptosystms of 4-bit and 8-bit S-boxes have vital importance. Robust cryptosystem is based on strong S-boxes. Cryptographically strong S-boxes have high non-linearity, bijection, linear and differential probability, strict avalanche and bit independence criterion, and differential probability.

To show the strength of the suggested S-box its performance results are compared to those S-boxes that have already been studied. The S-box has a number of important cryptographic properties, which are listed below.

- 1. **Bijection:** A function  $f : B^m \to B^n$  is bijective if for all  $u \in B^m$  there exists only a unique element  $v \in B^n$ , where  $B = \{0, 1\}$ . In other words, when u = v, then f(u) = f(v) or equivalently  $u \neq v$ , then  $f(u) \neq f(v)$ . The proposed S-box is analyzed for the bijective property by using SET [48] tool and it is found that it is bijective.
- 2. Balanced: The proposed S-box is tested for the balanced property using the SET [48] tool, and it is discovered that all of the components of the proposed S-box Boolean function are balanced.

S-Box Method	Minimum	Maximum	Average
Vaicekauskas et al. [77]	98	108	102.5
Mahmoud et al. $[78]$	96	110	104.3
Hussain et al. [74]	98	108	104
Alkhaldi ei al. [79]	98	108	104
Chen et al. $[80]$	102	106	104
Belazi et al. $[81]$	102	108	105.3
Mahmood et al. $[82]$	100	110	105.5
Siddiqui, et al. $[83]$	104	106	105.3
Hussain et al. [84]	100	108	105.7
Hussain et al. [85]	100	108	104.8
Hussain et al. $[86]$	94	104	99.5
Proposed	104	108	106.75

TABLE 3.3: Comparing the non-linearity values of various S-boxes

3. Non-linearity: It is not advisable for an S-box operation to map an input to an output linearly because this reduces the security of any cipher. The NL(f) of the proposed substitution box are given in Table 3.4. The maximum non-linearity for an ideal S-box  $GF(2^8)$  is 120. The most important cryptographic property of S-box is non-linearity. Below Table 3.3 show the comparison of different S-boxes with proposed S-box. From Table 3.3 it is clearly shown that the average non-linearity is 106.75 which is greater then all other S-boxes [74, 77–86].

TABLE 3.4: S-box and non-linearity

f	$f_1$	$f_2$	$f_3$	$f_4$	$f_5$	$f_6$	$f_7$	$f_8$
NL(f)	106	108	108	108	108	106	104	106

4. Strict Avalanche Criterion (SAC): An acceptable SAC value is the one that is closer to 0.5. In order to fulfill the requirement, the Boolean function must be 50 percent dependent on each of its input bits. The value of the SAC of the S-box is given in Table 3.6 and it is observed that the maximum value of the SAC of the S-box is 0.578125 and minimum value of the SAC of the S-box is 0.421875 and the SAC of the S-box has an average value of 0.496582 which is approximately 0.5.

TABLE 3.5: BIC Value of S-box

0.0	102	106	104	102	102	100	104
102	0.0	104	106	98	100	104	108
106	104	0.0	102	104	102	108	100
104	106	102	0.0	98	106	108	102
102	98	104	98	0.0	104	102	108
102	100	102	106	104	0.0	104	108
100	104	108	108	102	104	0.0	104
104	108	100	102	108	108	104	0.0

5. Bit Independence Criterion (BIC): If a given S-box fulfill the BIC, all of the components of a boolean function satisfy the SAC and have high non-linearity. The Table 3.5 demonstrates the values of the BIC for all Boolean functions of the S-box. The maximum and the minimum value for the Boolean function of the S-box is 108 and 98 receptively and the average value of BIC is 103.571.

0.453125	0.453125	0.515625	0.484375	0.515625	0.531250	0.531250	0.484375
0.468750	0.468750	0.468750	0.468750	0.515625	0.531250	0.437500	0.468750
0.515625	0.578125	0.468750	0.468750	0.468750	0.562500	0.515625	0.531250
0.531250	0500000	0.453125	0.546875	0.453125	0.453125	0.453125	0.468750
0.531250	0.515625	0.468750	0.515625	0.515625	0.468750	0.421875	0.531250
0.578125	0.531250	0.578125	0.453125	0.531250	0.437500	0.438750	0.484375
0.5546875	0.546875	0.500000	0.453125	0.515625	0.421875	0.484375	0.562500
00.531250	0.437500	0.484375	0.484375	0.453125	0.531250	0.484375	0.546875

TABLE 3.6: SAC Value of S-box

 Linear Probability (LP): The S-box's resistance against linear attacks is evaluated by linear probability. The lower LP increases the strength of the S-box against the linear attack.

"The value of LP of an S-box is eveluated as" [71]:

$$LP = \max_{C_w, D_w \neq 0} \left| \frac{\#\{w \in Z | w \cdot C_w = S(w) \cdot D_w\}}{2^n} - \frac{1}{2} \right|$$

where  $C_w$  and  $D_w$  are the input and output masks and  $Z = \{0, 1, 2, ..., 2^n - 1\}.$ 

The S-box has maximum value of LP 0.1484.

7. Differential Probability (DP): The S-box's resistance against differential attacks is evaluated by differential probability. An S-box with a lower DP is more resistant to differential cryptanalysis.

The Table 3.7 shows the value of DP of the S-box. The maximum value of DP of the S-box 10 and the DP of the S-box is 0.0391.

- 8. **Bent Boolean:** By using the SET [48] it is found that Bent Non-linearity value of proposed S-box is 116.6863
- 9. Algebraic Immunity (AI): The algebraic immunity of proposed substitution box is 4.
- 10. Fixed Points: The proposed S-box has no fixed point.

- Opposite Fixed Points: The proposed substitution box has no opposite fixed point.
- Absolute Indicator and Sum of Square Indicator: The absolute indicator of substitution box is 104, where the sum of square indicators of S-box is 289792.
- 13. Algebraic Degree: The higher the degree of a function, the more complex its algebraic structure and the more resistant it is to low approximation attacks. It is suggested that algebraic degree is equal to or greater than 4 to avoid higher-order differential cryptanalysis. The algebraic degree of proposed substitution box is 7.

0.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
8.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0
6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	4.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	8.0
6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0
6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	10.0
6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0
6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	10.0
6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	8.0	6.0	8.0
8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0
6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0
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TABLE 3.7: DP Value of S-box

# Chapter 4

# Logistic Map and S-box Based Image Encryption

With the development of internet technology, a lot of information is transferred from one end to the other in the form of data and images. Security should be provided to ensure the confidentiality of any information, whether it relates to the military, the defense, or the medical field. With the advancement of image encryption technology comes the advancement of image information theft technology [87]. To keep up with the developing information theft technology, a better image encryption algorithm is required.

An image is an artwork that illustrates visual perception, such as a photograph or other 2-dimensional depiction. It is described as a 2-variable function, f(x, y), where each position in the image plane (x, y), corresponds to the light intensity at that position. There are two types of images: digital image and analog image. Analog images are represented mathematically as a continuous range of values representing position and intensity. The Digital image is composed of the picture element known as Pixel. Each pixel in an image has consists intensity number, or a tiny set of numbers that define some feature of the pixel, like its brightness or colour. It is used in everyday life, such as satellite television and magnetic resonance imaging, as well as in research, such as astronomy and geographical information systems. The process of encrypting an image using an encryption algorithm is known as image encryption. The successful transmission of sensitive information using encrypted images has led to the development of countless techniques. However, despite the phenomenal rise in the use of images in all forms of digital communication, it still draws researchers.

# 4.1 Basic Terminologies

There are some basic terms and terminalogies that are commonly used for image encryption schemes. These terminalogies are discussed as following:

### 4.1.1 Digital Image

A digital image is a numeral portrayal of an image that can be stowed and processed by a digital computer. The numeral representation of an image is divided into small parts that are called pixels. Each pixel in an image has consists intensity number, or a tiny set of numbers that define some feature of the pixel, like its brightness or colour. The numbers are grouped in an assemblage of rows and columns that delineate the image's vertical and horizontal pixel positions.

### 4.1.1.1 Pixel

A pixel (pix-el) is abbreviation of picture element. A digital image is composed of many of these pixels. This means that the image is a collection of different pixels. The colors in any pixel are the functions of red, green, and blue portions.

### 4.1.2 Component of Image Encryption Cryptosystem

1. **Plainimage:** This is the type of image that requires protection while being transmitted over a public network. It is also referred to as the source or input image.

- 2. Cipherimage or Encrypted Image: A cipherimage is the converted form of a plainimage into an unintelligible form after encryption.
- 3. Encryption: A plainimage is converted into a cipherimage using an encryption method and a secret key in this process.
- 4. **Decryption:** The cipherimage is converted to a plainimage by the receiver side using a decryption method and a secret key. This is referred to as decryption.
- 5. **Key:** The key determines the encryption method's security. It can be either numeric or alphanumeric. The key is required for both encryption and decryption to be performed. Strong keys are always required for better information security.

### 4.2 Chaotic Map

The chaotic map is a mathematical structure that shows some kind of chaotic behavior. Random sequences are generated using a chaotic map. A discrete-time and continuous-time parameter can be used to parameterize the maps. Discrete maps are typically iterated functions. The output of such maps is very dependent on the control parameters and initial conditions. When using chaotic maps in cryptography, these parameters can be treated as secret keys. Many chaotic maps exhibit chaotic behavior on a specific control parameter region.

Chaotic cryptology is divided into two branches: chaotic cryptography and chaotic cryptanalysis. Chaotic cryptography encrypts information, while chaotic cryptanalysis decrypts the encrypted messages. Chaos-based cryptography has gained so much attention that it now has a vast range of uses in different of fields, including telecommunications, medical imaging, video, image, DNA cryptography, and others.

### 4.2.1 Lyapunov Exponent

In the study of dynamical systems, the term 'Lyapunov Exponent' (LE) [88] is commonly used. LE is a quantitative measure of the sensitivity to initial conditions. The degree of divergence between two close trajectories of a dynamical system is described by LE. A positive LE indicates that, no matter how near the two trajectories are, the divergence between them grows with each iteration, in the end making them be totally unique. LE is defined as follows:

$$\Lambda = \lim_{m \to \infty} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \ln |f'(\hat{x})|$$
(4.1)

To obtain an average LE, the LE can be evaluated for sample points near the attractor. "If the average LE is negative, then the system is periodic; if at least one of the average LE is positive, then the system is chaotic; if the average LE is zero, a bifurcation occurs. The more chaotic a system, the higher the value of the LE" [89].

### 4.2.2 Bifurcation Diagram

A bifurcation occurs, which tells a period-doubling change from an M-point attractor to a 2M-point attractor. A bifurcation diagram is a visual representation of the succession of period-doublings that occurs as  $\gamma$  increases. By displaying the parameter value against all related equilibrium values, the bifurcation diagram is created. If a small change in the bifurcation parameters results in a large change in the system behaviour, the bifurcation appears. This characteristic occurs in both continuous and discrete systems.

### 4.3 Logistic Map

The Logistic map is a second degree polynomial mapping. Is is one dimensional chaotic map [90]. Its mathematical structure is simple, but its chaotic behaviour

is complex. Logistic mapping is a non-linear, discrete-time, one-dimensional map with quadratic non-linearity. It is defined by the equation below:

$$t_{n+1} = \gamma \times t_n \left( 1 - t_n \right) \tag{4.2}$$

where  $\gamma \in [0, 4]$  and  $t_n \in (0, 1)$ . The value of  $\gamma$  is the most essential part of the logistic map expression because it determines the chaotic behaviour:

- When γ ∈ (0, 1), the points on the logistic map's expression graph approach 0, independently of the value t<sub>0</sub>. [91].
- When γ ∈ [1, 2), the points on the logistic map's expression graph approach the value <sup>γ-1</sup>/<sub>γ</sub> [91].



FIGURE 4.1: Lyapunove exponent of Logistic map

• When  $\gamma \in [2,3)$ , the points on the logistic map's expression graph approach the value  $\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}$ , but on an initial phase, they will vary around this value [91].

- When γ ∈ [3, 3.44949), the points on the logistic map's expression graph vary between two values, lets denote them t<sub>1</sub> and t<sub>2</sub>. t<sub>1</sub> and t<sub>2</sub> are independent of γ [91].
- When  $\gamma \in [3.44949, 3.54409)$ , the points on the logistic map's expression graph will vary between four values,  $t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4$ . When  $\gamma$  increases until it has a value of approximately 3.56995, the points on the logistic map's expression graph will vary between eight values, then sixteen values, and so on [91].
- When γ ∈ [3.56995, 4], the points on the logistic map's expression graph are placed chaotically, and it is said that the map is in the chaotic state. The value of n for which the map is stopped is called the dimension of the logistic map [91].

Figure 4.1 shows the logistic map's Lyapunove exponent. Figure 4.2 shows the logistic map's bifurcation diagram.



FIGURE 4.2: Bifurcation diagram for the Logistic map with iterations = 65536

# 4.4 Image Encryption Algorithm

In this section, S-box and logistic map based encryption algorithm is suggested for image encryption. In this algorithm, an S-box is generated by using a cubic fraction transformation. S-box generation algorithm is described in the previous Chapter 3. The gray-scale image of size  $n \times m$ , where n and m represent the number of rows and columns of a gray-scale image respectively. First, the image is converted into its pixel matrix. Then design of the proposed S-box based encryption algorithm is described. Then, a row and column circular permutation is applied. At the end, the scrambling process is applied by taking bit-wise XOR with secret key that is constructed by using the logistic map.

### 4.4.1 Encryption Algorithm (Gray-scale)

For the encryption purpose a gray-scale image I of size  $(n \times m)$  of clock is used, where n and m are the number of rows and columns of a I respectively. The size of the gray-scale image that is used for encryption is  $256 \times 256$ . The encryption process is described below:

Algorithm 1: Substitution algorithm
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**Input**: Image (I), Secret key  $k_0$ , S-box generated by CFT Chapter 3

Output: Substituted Image

- 1 Read the gray-scale secret image I.
- <sup>2</sup> Create a digital form of the gray-scale image I with a size of M, where  $n \times m$  is the size of image matrix with integer entries lies in the range of [0, 255] and n, mare the rows and columns in M respectively.
- **3** Using the secret key  $k_0 = (u_0, v_0)$  for CFT Chapter 3 to generate an S-box 3.1 take only those values that lies in [0, 255].
- 4 Replace each entry of pixel value matrix  $m_i$  of the image
  - $M = \{m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_i\}$  by  $S(m_i)$  where  $i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n \times m\}$ . After

substitution of the pixel value matrix with S-box, the resultant array is denoted by S' which is  $\{s_1, s_2, s_3, \ldots, s_i\}$ . **Permutation Algorithm:** A suitable permutation is used to change the pixel positions of the substituted image S'. The Cubic Fractional Transformation (CFT) is used to generate the permutation array.

$$F(w) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{uw^3 + v} \mod (257) & \text{if } w \in Z_n - \{43, 135\} \\ 0 & \text{if } w = 43 \\ 11 & \text{if } w = 135 \end{cases}$$
(4.3)

Here u = 90 and v = 20. The Equation (4.3) gives the value of  $Z_n - \{0, 11\}$  when

 $w \in Z_n - \{43, 135\}.$ 

$$F(w) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{uw^3 + v} \mod (257) & \text{if } w \in Z_n - \{176, 62\} \\ 0 & \text{if } w = 142 \\ 40 & \text{if } w = 62 \end{cases}$$
(4.4)

Here u = 115 and v = 45. The Equation (4.4) gives the value of  $Z_n - \{0, 40\}$ when  $w \in Z_n - \{142, 62\}$ . Algorithm 2: Permutation Algorithm

**Input**: S', Secret key  $k_1$  and  $k_2$ , CFT Equations (4.3) and (4.4)

**Output**: Pre-encrypted Image P

- 1 Utilize the same algorithm as used in Chapter 3 to construct the elements of the sequences  $S1 = \{s_{11}, s_{12}, s_{13}, \ldots, s_{1m}\}$  and  $S2 = \{s_{21}, s_{22}, s_{23}, \ldots, s_{2n}\}$  by using Equations (4.3) and (4.4) and secret keys  $k_1 = (u_1, v_1)$  and  $k_2 = (u_2, v_2)$ .
- 2 Apply a column-wise circular shift on substitution image S'. Use the value of S1 to permute the value of substitution image S'. The resulting matrix is stored in P'.
- 3 After applying a column-wise circular shift on image S', another row-wise circular shift is applied on image P' with the help of S2. The resulting matrix is saved in P.

After the permutation layer, a Logistic map (4.2) and a Boolean operation XOR is used to get final encrypted image.

Algorithm 3: Scrambling Process

**Input**: Pre-encrypted image P, Logistic Map (4.2) and Secret key  $k_3$ 

**Output**: Final Encrypted image C

- 1 Iterate the logistic map (4.2) using initial state  $t_0$  and control parameter  $\gamma$  as secret key  $k_3$  for W times to create a chaotic sequence of length W.
- 2 Convert the obtained sequence by iterating Logistic map into 8-bit integer values using the following relation:

$$X = \mod(\text{floor}(x \times 10^{14}), 256)$$

- **3** To eliminate the transient impact, dispose off the first  $(L (n \times m))$  numbers of the chaotic sequence, then generate a new chaotic sequence of length 65536, denoted by SK.
- 4 Rewrite matrix P as one dimensional array  $P'' = \{p''_1, p''_2, p''_3, \dots, p''_{n \times m}\}.$
- 5 Then the scrambling process is performed as following:

```
for i = 1 and j = 1 : n \times m

if j = 1, then

C(i, j) \leftarrow P''(i, j) \oplus Sk(i, j);

else

C(i, j) \leftarrow C(i, j - 1) \oplus P''(i, j) \oplus Sk(i, j);

end

end
```

Covert the array into  $n \times m$  matrix obtained from scrambling.

6 In the end, a cipherimage C is created by converting the resulting matrix of pixel values into an image format.



FIGURE 4.3: Flow chart of image encryption algorithm

# 4.5 Decryption Algorithm (Grayscale)

The decryption algorithm eridicate all encryption effects from the original image. The following steps are used to recover the plainimage I from the cipherimage C:

### Algorithm 4: Decryption Algorithm

**Input**: Cipherimage, Secret key  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  and  $k_3$ 

**Output**: Original Image I

- After receiving the cipherimage, the receiver converts the cipherimage into digital form N, where N is the pixel value matrix of n × m size with entries from 0 to 255.
- **2** Convert the encrypted image into one dimensional array of length  $n \times m$ .
- **3** Perform the unscrambling process as described below:

```
for i = 1 and j = 1 : m \times n

if j = 1, then

P''(i, j) \leftarrow C(i, j) \oplus SK(i, j);

else

P''(i, j) \leftarrow (i, j - 1) \oplus C(i, j) \oplus SK(i, j);

end

end
```

Rewrite P'' into 2-dimension matrix P.

- 4 Construct the sequence  $S1 = \{s_{11}, s_{12}, s_{13}, \dots, s_{1m}\}$  and  $S2 = \{s_{21}, s_{22}, s_{23}, \dots, s_{2n}\}$  by using Equations (4.3) and (4.4) of Cubic Fractional Transformation and secret key  $k_1 = (u_1, v_1)$  and  $k_2 = (u_2, v_2)$ .
- 5 Apply a reverse row-wise circular shift on P by using the element of S2. Then resulting matrix is stored in P'.
- 6 Another reverse column-wise circular shift is applied with the help of the array S1. Hence generated resulting matrix is stored in S'.
- 7 Generate an S-box 'S' by using the method mentioned in Chapter 3.
- **s** Construct the inverse S-box of S that is  $S^{-1}$ .
- 9 Replace each pixel value s<sub>i</sub> of the matrix S' by using inverse S-box generated in step 8,as S<sup>-1</sup>(s<sub>i</sub>) where i ∈ {1, 2, 3..., n × m}. After replacing the pixel values of S' with the inverse S-box, the resultant pixel matrix is I.



FIGURE 4.4: Flow chart of image decryption algorithm

### Example 4.5.1.

The encryption process is illusted through the following toy example.

Let the pixel matrix of an image I given. For simplicity, a  $4 \times 4$  hypothetical image is considered.

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 184 & 161 & 179 & 186 \\ 175 & 118 & 118 & 120 \\ 158 & 126 & 140 & 105 \\ 137 & 123 & 98 & 82 \end{bmatrix}$$

### **Encryption Phase**

By applying the S-box from Table 3.1 to the image I as described in Step 5 of the Algorithm (1), the resulting image S' is;

$$S' = \begin{bmatrix} 106 & 213 & 1 & 205 \\ 64 & 143 & 143 & 167 \\ 87 & 73 & 249 & 35 \\ 36 & 175 & 255 & 189 \end{bmatrix}$$

After applying S-box, the new resulting image S' is then permuted by using circular shift. Hence generated pre-encrypted image P. Using Equations (4.3) and (4.4) generate two arrays S1 and S2 of length m and n respectively. These arrays are shown as follows:

$$S1 = \{4, 1, 3, 2\}, \qquad S2 = \{3, 2, 1, 4\}$$

Then apply column-wise circular shift operation by using S1 array on S'. This results a p' image. Then another row-wise circular shift operation is applied by using S2 on P'. Hence obtained the new matrix is P. That is a pre-encrypted image.

$$P' = \begin{bmatrix} 106 & 143 & 255 & 35\\ 64 & 73 & 1 & 189\\ 87 & 175 & 143 & 205\\ 36 & 213 & 249 & 167 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P = \begin{bmatrix} 35 & 106 & 143 & 255\\ 1 & 189 & 64 & 73\\ 175 & 143 & 205 & 87\\ 36 & 213 & 249 & 167 \end{bmatrix}$$

Converting this matrix P into one dimensional array P'' as shown below:

 $P'' = \{35, 1, 175, 36, 106, 189, 143, 213, 143, 64, 205, 249, 255, 73, 87, 167\}$ 

Iterate the logistic map (4.2) to generate a random sequence SK by using secret key  $k_3$  containing  $\gamma, t_o$  where  $\gamma = 3.995$  and  $t_o = 0.15$ .

 $SK = \{13, 86, 38, 144, 9, 233, 176, 172, 112, 230, 56, 169, 161, 110, 115, 184\}$ 

Then the scrambling process is performed by taking XOR of each element with its corresponding element of key matrix and also with its preceding element as illustrated in Step 5 of the Algorithm (3) to get cipherimage as following:

 $C = \{46, 121, 240, 68, 39, 115, 76, 53, 202, 108, 153, 201, 151, 176, 148, 139\}$ 

Convert this formed array C into 2-dimension matrix form. The resulting cipher matrix is given below.

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 46 & 39 & 202 & 151 \\ 121 & 115 & 108 & 176 \\ 240 & 76 & 153 & 148 \\ 68 & 53 & 201 & 139 \end{bmatrix}$$

### **Decryption Phase**

The decryption process demonstrate as following.

Consider C as a pixel matrix of a cipherimage.

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 46 & 39 & 202 & 151 \\ 121 & 115 & 108 & 176 \\ 240 & 76 & 153 & 148 \\ 68 & 53 & 201 & 139 \end{bmatrix}$$

Convert the C into one dimensional array as:

 $C = \{46, 121, 240, 68, 39, 115, 76, 53, 202, 108, 153, 201, 151, 176, 148, 139\}$ 

Iterate the logistic map (4.2) to generate the random sequence SK by using secret key  $k_3$  containing  $\gamma, t_o$  where  $\gamma = 3.995$  and  $t_o = 0.15$ .

 $SK = \{13, 86, 38, 144, 9, 233, 176, 172, 112, 230, 56, 169, 161, 110, 115, 184\}$ 

Apply the unscrambling process by taking XOR operation of each element of C with corresponding element of array SK and also with its preceding element as illustrated in Step 3 of the Algorithm (4). The obtaining array is stored in P''.

 $P'' = \{35, 1, 175, 36, 106, 189, 143, 213, 143, 64, 205, 249, 255, 73, 87, 167\}$ 

Rewrite P'' into 2-dimension matrix P.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 35 & 106 & 143 & 255 \\ 1 & 189 & 64 & 73 \\ 175 & 143 & 205 & 87 \\ 36 & 213 & 249 & 167 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using Equations (4.3) and (4.4) to generate two array S1 and S2 of length m and n respectively. These arrays are shown as follows:

$$S1 = \{4, 1, 3, 2\}, \qquad S2 = \{3, 2, 1, 4\}$$

Then apply reverse row-wise circular shift by using array S2 on P. After applying reverse row-wise circular shift the resulting matrix is stored as P'. Then another reverse column-wise circular shift applied by using the element of array S1 on P'. Hence the resulting matrix is S'.

$$P' = \begin{bmatrix} 106 & 143 & 255 & 35 \\ 64 & 73 & 1 & 189 \\ 87 & 175 & 143 & 205 \\ 36 & 213 & 249 & 167 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad S' = \begin{bmatrix} 106 & 213 & 1 & 205 \\ 64 & 143 & 143 & 167 \\ 87 & 73 & 249 & 35 \\ 36 & 175 & 255 & 189 \end{bmatrix}$$

By using the method mentioned in Chapter 3 generate the element of an S-box S. Construct the inverse S-box of S that is  $S^{-1}$ . Then applying the inverse S-box to the image S' as described in Step 9 of the Algorithm (4) gives I as;
I = 1	184	161	179	186
	175	118	118	120
	158	126	140	105
	137	123	98	82

Finally, image I can be obtained in its original form.

### 4.6 **Results and Discussions**

The tests are performed to demonstrate the efficiency and validity of the suggested algorithm. This algorithms (1), (2) and (3) have been applied on different images such as Clock, House, Girl and Chemical Plant using MATLAB R2017a. These images are from the http://sipi.usc.edu/database/, known as the USC-SIPI open image repository.



FIGURE 4.5: Results of Clock Image encryption and decryption algorithm: (a) plainimage, (b) Encrypted Image, (c) Decrypted Image

The standard gray image of Clock  $(256 \times 256)$  is used in first example shown in Figure 4.5(a). After applying the encryption algorithm the cipherimage is depicted in Figure 4.5(b). The decryption algorithm (4) is then used for decoding the cipherimage, as shown in Figure 4.5(c). The decryption result demonstrates that the proposed algorithm is effective in recovering the original image.

In the next example a Chemical Plant image of sizes  $(256 \times 256)$  is chosen. The image is displayed in Figure 4.6(a), the encryption result is shown in 4.6(b). The

decryption algorithm is then used to perform the decoding the cipherimage, as shown in Figure 4.6(c). The decryption result demonstrates that the proposed algorithm is effective in recovering the plainimage.



FIGURE 4.6: Results of Chemical Plant image encryption and decryption algorithm: (a) plainimage, (b) Encrypted Image, (c) Decrypted Image

### 4.6.1 Security Analysis

There are some security assessments that examine the quality of encryption these includ key space, key sensitivity, differential analysis correlation coefficients, entropy and histogram analysis.

#### 4.6.1.1 Key Space

Any cryptosystem considers key space as an important feature. It must be large enough to withstand brute force attacks. The key space  $10^{30} \approx 2^{100}$  [92] is the recommended for high security and protection from brute-force attacks. One common attack is the brute-force attack, in which an assailant endeavours to figure out the right security keys by exorbitantly looking of an encryption algorithm excessively. As a result, an adequate and enormous key space makes sure that the encryption algorithm is resistant to a brute-force attack. In encryption algorithm, a Cubic Fractional Transformation (CFT) and Logistic map are used. CFT involve u and v as parameter and Logistic map involves  $\gamma$  as control parameters and t as a variable. The key is a comprising of 4 secret keys  $k = (k_0, k_1, k_2, k_3)$ . The number of possible key combinations is  $2^{147}$ . The resulting keyspace exceeds the minimum key size requirement.

#### 4.6.1.2 Key Sensitivity Analysis

The secret key should be well known to the image encryption scheme, and changing a single bit of the secret key should result in a completely different encrypted result. An effective image encryption scheme must be key sensitive in order to prevent unauthorized preliminary attacks. Even if the encryption key changes slightly, the cipher image should not be decrypted accurately. For example, by adding 0.0000000000000005 to the parameter " $\gamma$ " of the secret key in the encryption scheme, the parameter's new value will be 3.99500000000005. The original image will not be obtained by using this to decrypt.

The plainimage of Clock is represented in Figure 4.7(a), the encrypted image in Figure 4.7(b), and the decryption results are achieved with a slightly different key in Figure 4.7(c). This shows that the algorithm is extremely sensitive to key.



FIGURE 4.7: Key sensitivity test for Clock: (a) Plainimage (b) Encrypted image (c) Decrypted image by slightly changed key

#### 4.6.1.3 Differential Analysis

Images encrypted with a high-performance image encryption method should appear completely different from plainimages; this is one of its key characteristics. Therefore the number of pixel change rate (NPCR) and unified average changing intensity (UACI) are used to compare an encrypted image to the original image and the encrypted image after changing one pixel in the original image. The NPCR and UACI values can be calculated as;

$$NPCR = \frac{\sum_{i,j} M(i,j)}{w \times h} \times 100$$
(4.5)

UACI = 
$$\frac{1}{w \times h} \left[ \sum_{i,j} \frac{|Y(i,j) - Y'(i,j)|}{255} \right] \times 100$$
 (4.6)

Here w and h represent the encrypted image's width and height, respectively. Yand Y' are cipherimages generated from plainimages and by plane images with a difference of one pixel, respectively. If Y = Y' then M(i, j) = 0 otherwise 1. The values of NPCR and UACI should be high and close to their ideal values to withstand differential attacks. Table 4.1 show the NPCR and UACI value performance for the proposed schemes is perfect. As a result, it will providegreat resistance to "known plaintext attacks" and "chosen plaintext attacks".

TABLE 4.1: UACI and NPCR values of encrypted images

Images	Clock	House	Girl	Chemical Plant	Tree
NPCR	99.6154	99.6292	99.6688	99.5910	99.6047
UACI	33.3538	33.2600	33.4429	33.3423	33.2128

#### 4.6.1.4 Correlation Coefficients Analysis (CCA)

Correlation coefficients is a powerful tool for determining the rate of success of an attack on an encrypted image. Correlation is used to connect adjacent pixels that have correlation coefficients. A good encryption algorithm minimizes the correlation coefficient between pairs of encrypted neighboring pixels in the vertical, horizontal, and diagonal directions. The Correlation Coefficients (CC) is calculated as following:

$$C_{a,b} = \frac{cov(a,b)}{\sqrt{D(a)} \times \sqrt{D(b)}}$$
(4.7)

where a and b are the grayscale values of two pixels from the input image. D(a)and D(b) are the variances of a and b, respectively. cov(a, b) represents the a and b covariance. The following equations are used to calculate the correlation coefficients:

$$cov(a,b) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{j=1}^{K} (a_j - X(a))(b_j - X(b))$$
$$X(a) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{j=1}^{K} a_j$$
$$D(a) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{j=1}^{K} (a_j - X(a))^2$$

The test outcomes are shown in Table 3.5. The data show that the CC in the cipherimage produced by above mentioned formula's. It can be seen from Table 4.2 that correlation coefficient of cipherimage are closer to zero.

TABLE 4.2: Two adjacent pixels' correlation coefficient in a plain and cipher image.

Images	Clock		House		Girl	
Direction	Original	Cipher	Original	Cipher	Original	Cipher
Horizontal	0.9740	-0.0057	0.9529	-0.0065	0.9656	0.0053
Vertical	0.9564	0.0036	0.9782	-0.0072	0.9740	-0.0057
Diagonal	0.9389	-0.0054	0.9360	-0.0027	0.9515	-0.0018

#### 4.6.1.5 Entropy Analysis

Data entropy was first presented by Shannon in 1948 [93]. In cryptography, the term "entropy" refers to the randomness that a system accumulates for use in techniques that uses random data. Lack of entropy can make a cryptosystem susceptible and prevent it from securely encrypting data.

This component of examination estimates the randomness in a coded image. It additionally lets us know the typical measure of data conveyed by the coded image.

If  $\beta$  is an encrypted image then entropy of  $\beta$  can be determined by the following equation.

$$E(\beta) = \sum_{j=0}^{2^{N}-1} P(\beta_j) \log_2 \frac{1}{P(\beta_j)}$$
(4.8)

 $P(\beta_j)$  in equation 4.8 represents the probability of symbol  $\beta_j$  appearing in cipher image  $\beta$ . For a (256 × 256) grayscale image, the ideal value of the entropy is 8. Table 4.3 shows the entropy values of different images encrypted using the proposed schemes. The result shows that the resulting entropy of the proposed encryption algorithm is very close to the ideal entropy.

TABLE 4.3: Entropy analyses

Images	Clock	House	Girl	Chemical Plant	Tree
Plainimage	6.7056	6.4961	7.0524	7.0817	7.3102
Cipherimage	7.9973	7.9977	7.9975	7.9969	7.9975

#### 4.6.1.6 Histogram Analysis

An image histogram usually refers to a histogram of pixel intensity values. Histogram of the image is a graph which shows the pixel value at each of the different intensity values found in that image. 256 different intensities are possible for a 8-bit grayscale image, so the histogram will graphically display 256 numbers showing the distribution of pixels amongst those grayscale values.

For a high-security image encryption algorithm, the encrypted image must have a histogram with a uniform distribution. Figure 4.8 shows the plain and cipherimage histograms for the image clock. It is clear that, there is no hint of a statistical attack on the cipherimage.



FIGURE 4.8: The following is the encryption result for the grayscale image of Clock: (a) Plainimage (b) Encrypted image (c) Histogram of plainimage (d) Histogram of encrypted image



FIGURE 4.9: Histogram analysis of chemical plant plainimage and cipherimage



FIGURE 4.10: Histogram analysis of girl plainimage and cipherimage



FIGURE 4.11: Histogram analysis of house plainimage and cipherimage

Figures 4.9, 4.10 and 4.11 shows histogram analysis of different plainimage and cipherimage.

### Chapter 5

# Conclusion

An S-box generation scheme based on cubic fractional transformation is reviewed. The method used to construct an S-box is simple and effective. The constructed S-box is highly non-linear from some old S-boxes [74, 77–86]. It has low linear probability (LP) and differential probability (DP), so the proposed S-box resists differential and linear cryptanalysis attacks. Security analysis shows that the proposed S-box is very useful in modern block cipher. The base of best knowledge it can be said that this method is the first method to create an S-box from the cubic fractional transformation (CFT). The construction procedure is completed on MATLAB and both an S-box and inverse S-box are produced.

As such, S-box ia an important component of the block encryption algorithm. They play an important role in creating confusion and diffusion. After creating the S-box, it is used in the image encryption algorithm for substitution purpose. After this, different circular shifts are performed to create more confusion. Finally, a chaotic map is used to generate a random sequence and it is used for scrambling the pixels of the image by applying the XOR operation. Entropy analysis, key sensitivity analysis, key space analysis, statistical analysis, and differential analysis are all tools used in security analysis. Security analysis shows that it is not possible to obtain the original image through cryptographic attacks. Which tells that this encryption algorithm is a secure algorithm and can be used for image encryption algorithm. This algorithm can also be used for encrypting images of different types and size.

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