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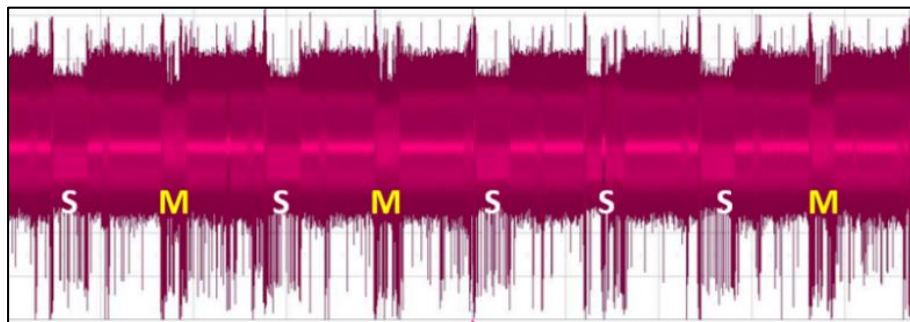
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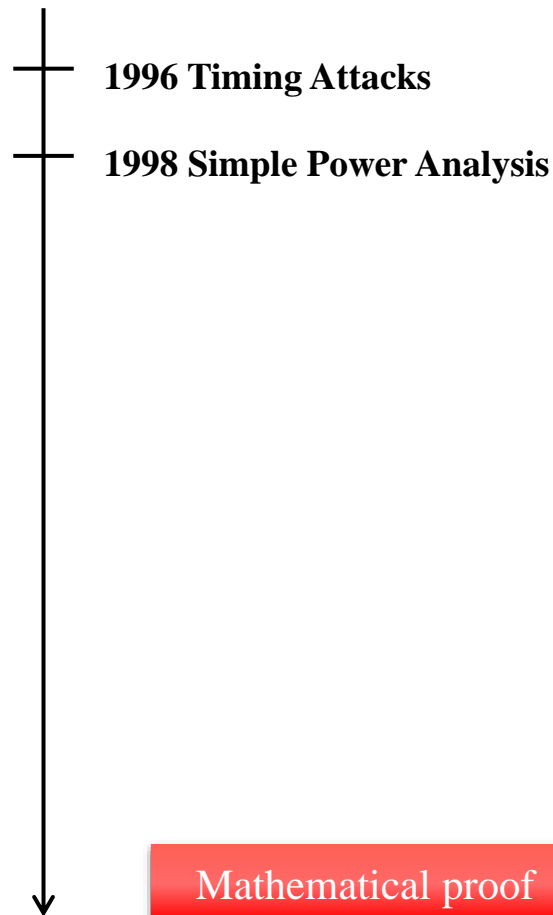
❑ **Previously proposed attacks on PKCs were based on**

- ❖ **the patterns of data-dependent conditional branches**

Algorithm. Left to Right Binary Method	
INPUT	$M, N, k = (k_{n-1}, k_{n-2}, \dots, k_0)_2$
OUTPUT	$M^k \bmod N$
<p>Step 1. $R = 1$</p> <p>Step 2. For $i = n - 1$ down to 0 do</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2.1. $R = R \times R \bmod N$</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2.2. IF $k_i = 1$ then $R = R \times M \bmod N$</p> <p>Step3. Return R</p>	



Countermeasure → make it regular



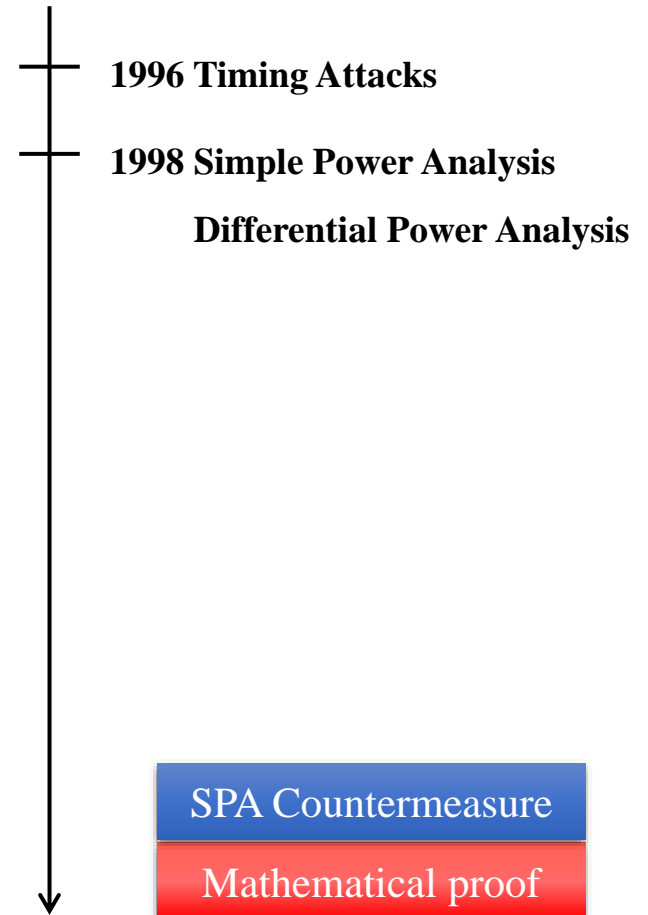
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- ❖ statistical characteristic according to intermediate values

Algorithm. Left to Right Square and Multiply Always	
INPUT	$M, N, k = (k_{n-1}, k_{n-2}, \dots, k_0)_2$
OUTPUT	$M^k \bmod N$
Step 1. $R_0 = 1$ Step 2. For $i = n - 1$ down to 0 do 2.1. $R_0 = R_0 \times R_0 \bmod N$ 2.2. $R_{1-k_i} = R_0 \times M \bmod N$ Step 4. Return R_0	



Countermeasure → apply a randomization method

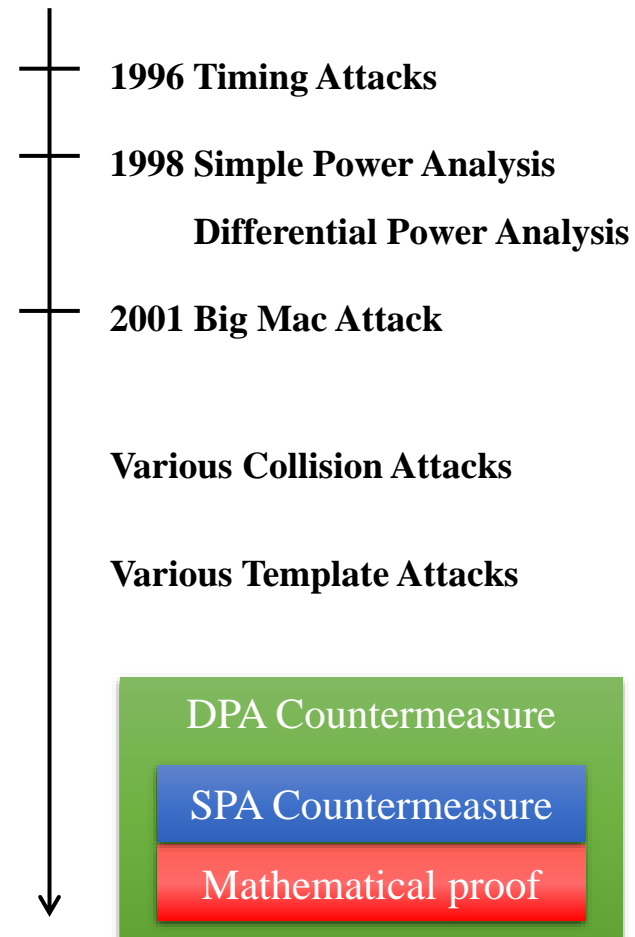
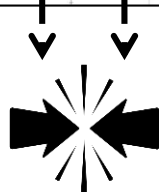
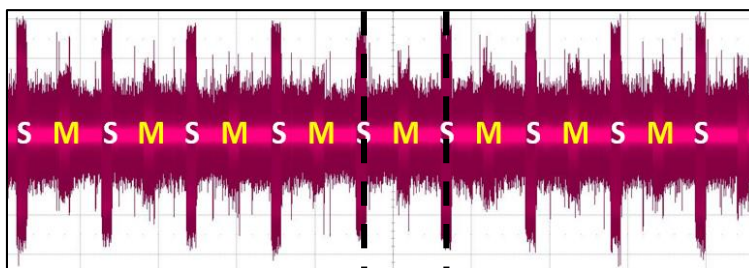


Previously proposed attacks on PKCs were based on

- the interrelationship between data, and etc.


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INPUT	$M, N, k = (k_{n-1}, k_{n-2}, \dots, k_0)_2$
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+ data / exponent blinding

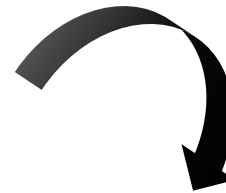
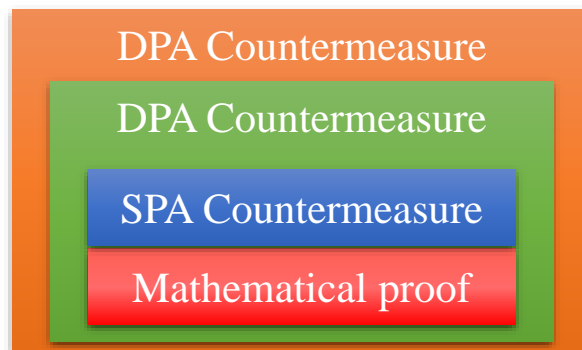


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various countermeasures
have been proposed

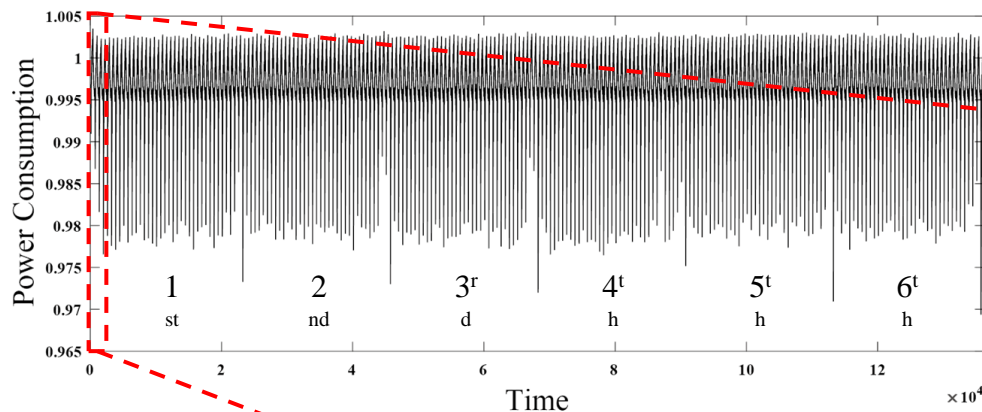




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Step 1. $R_0 = 1$ Step 2. For $i = n - 1$ down to 0 do <div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Countermeasure</div>	
Step 4. Return R_0	

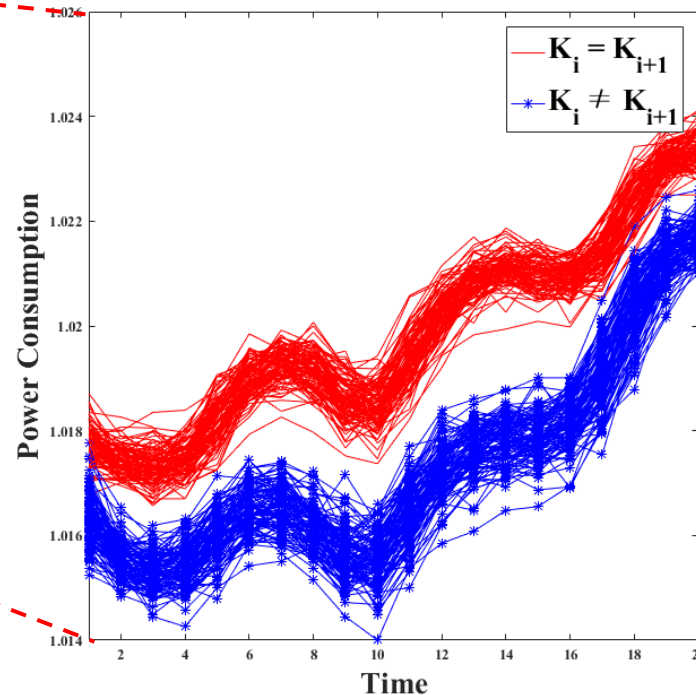
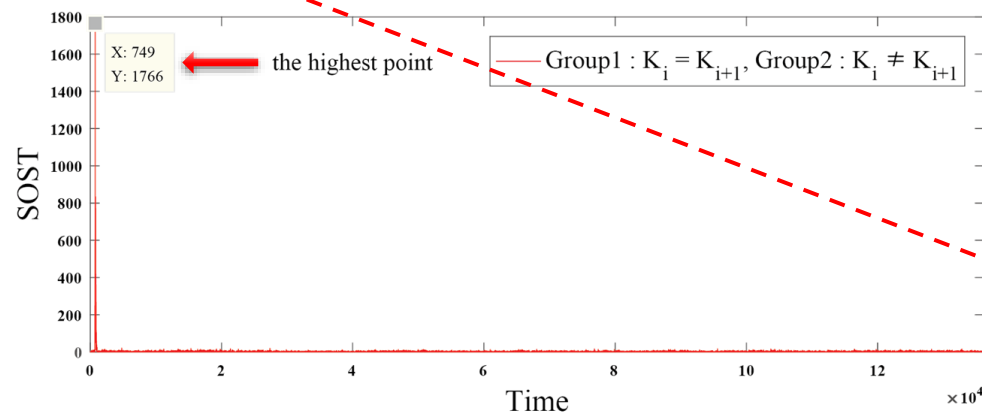
Do you think is it secure?



Attack on Protected PKC using a Single Trace



we can distinguish two groups through SPA



The attack does not require sophisticated pre-processing

such as decapsulation, localization, multi-probe, and principle component analysis

■ The power consumption is related to the k_i value

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$$k = (k_{n-1} k_{n-2} \dots k_0)_2$$

$k_i \uparrow \quad k_i \uparrow \quad \dots \uparrow$

Private key bits are directly loaded during the check phase,
but no countermeasures have been considered to protect this phase

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