

Multi-dimensional cubic symmetric block cipher algorithm for encrypting big data

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ABSTRACT

The advanced technology in the internet and social media, communication companies, health care records and cloud computing applications made the data around us increase dramatically every minute and continuously. These renewals big data involve sensitive information such as password, PIN number, credential numbers, secret identifications and etc. which require maintaining with some high secret procedures. The present paper involves proposing a secret multi-dimensional symmetric cipher with six dimensions as a cubic algorithm. The proposed algorithm works with the substitution permutation network (SPN) structure and supports a high processing data rate in six directions. The introduced algorithm includes six symmetry rounds transformations for encryption the plaintext, where each dimension represents an independent algorithm for big data manipulation. The proposed cipher deals with parallel encryption structures of the 128-bit data block for each dimension in order to handle large volumes of data. The submitted cipher compensates for six algorithms working simultaneously each with 128-bit according to various irreducible polynomials of order eight. The round transformation includes four main encryption stages where each stage with a cubic form of six dimensions.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The cryptographic algorithms are a set of rules and mathematical procedures that are used to convert the clear text to an unintelligible text and vice-versa. There are basically two types of the first is cryptographic algorithms of public key cryptography (PKC) or what is called asymmetric cipher where the sender and receiver use two keys one for encryption and the other for the decryption process. The second is secret key cryptography (SKC) also known as symmetric encryption. The symmetric cipher plays an effective role for a trusted block of data where the sender and receiver own the same secret key [1]. The proposed cipher represents a smart step in the designing process of symmetric block cipher construction. The submitted algorithm is dedicated to big data applications and it inherited most of its good characteristics from previously published algorithms [2-4]. Big data refers to the large data sets that increased dramatically and grown continuously from different sources. So the data classified today as the traditional data tomorrow will be big data since the data is evolving without stopping due to the advanced technology of the web applications and the electronic business services [5]. The big data is unlike traditional data because it needs a high potential that outweighs the conventional data from all aspects. So it should take into consideration the designing of a large cipher to meet the growth of data and the cipher should be convenient for the big

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volume of data because it became a necessary demand. The big data is not considered new data due to a huge historical data amount created from the earlier time that belongs to deep roots and an extended origin of old data [6]. Big data become a critical issue in recent years as a result of increased the growth of the internet and electronic communications, cloud services and social networks. The amounts of multimedia data generated within social networks are increasing without stopping [7]. Big data has become everywhere and definitively for several application domains. In a big data scenario, the data itself can be mapped to four distinct prototypes: data at rest, data in motion, data in many forms, and data in doubt. Moreover; there exist three forms of data integration in any enterprise: bulk data movement, real-time, and federation [8].

The big data interests with better analysis of the large bulks of data which support more intelligent decision and apply big profitability represented by smart decision, fast decision and impactful decision. Big data has powerful potential for making faster analysis in many scientific disciplines and the success of many enterprises [9]. Since the big data deals with a volume of data is very big and it generates and increases dramatically. Thus it will require a high processing capability compared with the traditional data need. Big data represents an aggregation of data from different kinds that involve current traditional data and an old one, it also includes a mixture of different types of structured and unstructured or multi-structured data that come from various sources [10]. In terms of unstructured data which instantiated from the data set that is not ordered or easily represented by traditional data models. So, social media or what is known as social networks such as Facebook, Tweeter, YouTube and other media from the point of view posts, comments and publications are considered good examples for this type of data. The case of multi-structured data, it indicates diversities of data sorts and formats that can be generated from users and devices, such as current social networks and web services as well as user interactions. The structured data are good examples of big data that may include the combination of text and images in addition to transactional information [11].

There are several distinct block cipher algorithms available that work with different structures and various mathematical descriptions. The present study will focus on the most common symmetric ciphers especially the standard ciphers that involve: IDEA, Triple-DES, AES, Twofish, Serpent, MARS, and RC6. Xuejia Lai and James Massey submitted an International Data Encryption Algorithm (IDEA). It is a new variant of symmetric cipher that was planned to be a replacement for the DES cipher. IDEA cipher encrypts electronic data of 64-bit using a 128-bit ciphering key under the Lai-Massey structure with 8.5 rounds. The IDEA cipher has been analyzed and broken in 2011 via the man in the middle attack and in 2012 full round was cryptanalytic by bicliques attack [12]. IBM Corporation develops Triple DES. It is a revised version for the IBM oldest cipher of data encryption standard (DES) that encrypts the data with a short secret key of 56-bit and Feistel structure. The Triple-DES or 3DES is the three times implementation process for the DES cipher under the length of secret key 168-bit and 48-rounds, although the Triple-DES suffered from the slow implementation it still applying in several civil applications and electronic financial services [13].

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) released the Rijndael cipher as an advance encryption standard (AES) cipher. AES is the name for the block cipher that selected by NIST under the Rijndael name that designed by Vincent Rijmen and Joan Daemen in 1998. The Rijndael block cipher works with SPN structure and encrypts a block of data with a fixed length of 128-bit under three changeable ciphering keys according to the NIST criteria. The AES cipher is inspired by square cipher and is considered the best ciphering model, which is the most widely used algorithm for large scale applications presently [14]. Bruce Schneier et al., designed a Twofish cipher, Twofish is a revision block cipher algorithm for the previous blowfish block cipher. Twofish encrypts a block size of 128 bits and three of different ciphering key reaches 256 bits. It was a finalist candidate to be advanced encryption standard and as an alternated for the 3DES. Twofish algorithm works with 16-rounds of iterated Feistel structure of key-dependent S-Boxes [15]. Ross Anderson et al., designed a Serpent block cipher that is one of the best five finalist symmetric algorithms with SPN structure. Serpent algorithm encrypts the electronic data with a block size of 128-bits and also three different ciphering keys like the AES cipher. The serpent cipher can be implemented in a parallel structure of 32-rounds according to 32-bit of the bit-slices technique [16].

MARS cipher submitted by IBM Corporation, acts a revised cipher for the DES cipher and encrypts the electronic data with block size and key size similar to any AES candidate cipher. MARS encrypts the data via a variable secret key that ranging from 128-bit to 444-bit. MARS characterized by complex structure since it depends on heavy mathematical operations. Thus; it considers the most complicated cipher among the candidates' algorithms [17]. Rivest *et al.* [18] designed an RC6 algorithm that considers the simplest and easiest model as the AES candidate algorithm. RC6 cipher represents a revision form of the previous RC5 cipher but with double size. RC6 encrypts the electronic data with block length and a key length of 128-bit and the secret ciphering key can be up to 2040-bit. RC6 designed with Feistel network structure of four words each with 32-bit, which is iterated for 20-rounds completely [18].

In response to the security challenge, the proposed cipher is designed to face real attacks and to solve the traditional security problems in this field. The protection of private and confidential data attracted the researchers' attention for a long time. So, the basic challenge for the security of big data is data privacy.

The trusted multimedia issues have become critical and necessary in social network and cloud environments because the malicious attacks are becoming more sophisticated and new active malwares have been developed recently [19]. The vulnerability of security systems or fault of security designs can lead to big losses that may exceed even the worst expectations and introduce irreplaceable damage for a company or organization. Since, sensitive data has become accessible from anywhere and the potential of risks for malicious use is made possible. The questions beyond the ethical usage of data and data privacy become momentous. Since big data platforms introduce a broad array of likelihoods to access internal and external data. Unfortunately, most organizations that deal with big data face the same issues of daily threats [20]. Nowadays, most agencies look forward to ensuring that their information are kept securely. So the protect data with all these trends require an appropriate cipher that satisfies the real issues. The developed cipher must defeat the current challenges of end to end encryption, protected user access control, password management and safeguarding internal and external secret information at all levels. Big data terminology needs special cryptographic algorithms with an extended structure of large size or that one with the multi-dimensional cipher of parallel encryption process [21, 22]. The security in such milieu comprises more data stored, which means more security procedures and more modern policies of secrecy that should be taken into consideration to apply the privacy in an effective form. So, “a big question is to what extent the security and privacy technology are adequate for controlled assured sharing for efficient direct access to big data?” [23].

2. RESEARCH METHOD

The proposed cubic cipher works with 16-bytes as a state matrix of 128-bit for each independent face or dimension in the cubic algorithm. Moreover; the cubic algorithm can work with six dimensions together in a parallel form that meaning the data blocks are 6×128 -bit. The proposed cipher accepts 128-bits of plaintext from each side in the cube and 128-bits of ciphering secret key as the initial of entry secret key XORed at the first and last rounds according to the whitening concepts. The main operations in the round transformation involve cubic operations with six options according to the cube dimensions. The internal stages for each algorithm aggregated in the round transformation encompass four fundamental stages looped for some rounds. The implementation cubic algorithm as an individual algorithm is subject to the modular arithmetic process. The selected dimension in the cubic algorithm is determined by the least significant byte (LSB) in the ciphering key mod 7 for each round. The result will be less than 7, which represents the dimension number in the cube with range (1-6). Dimension Number (DN)=LSB mod 7. The round transformation of the proposed cipher comprises the following four main stages as stated in Figure 1.

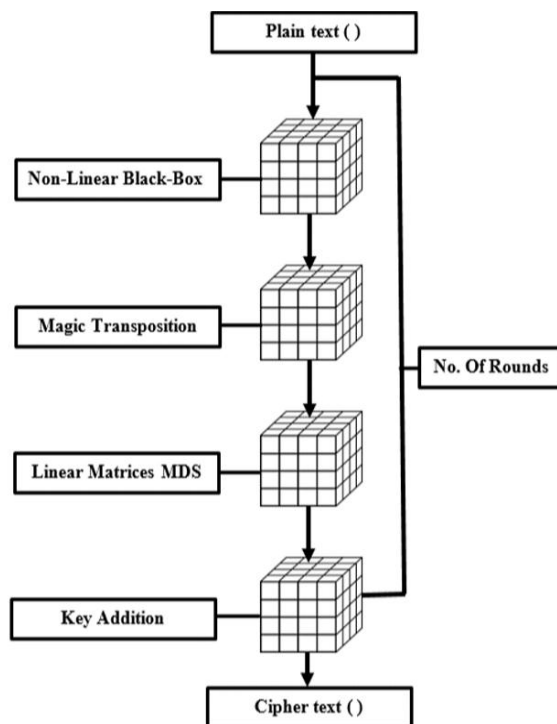


Figure 1. The cubic algorithm structure

2.1. Non-linear black-box stages

This stage is considered the most important part of designing any algorithm which determines the solidity and strength of the algorithm. The proposed black-box consists of six faces or dimensions, whereby each dimension works with the different irreducible polynomial equation as stated in Figures 2-7. The collected dimensions constitute a cube of active black-boxes and each cube face or dimension can be represented as a table lookup of 16*16 values. The intersection of the ith row and jth column in the table for each face gives the desired value. Each Black-box design is constructed similar to the S-Box of AES cipher in terms of taking the multiplicative inverse and applying the affine transform XORed with certain constant vectors of (V1, V2 ... V6) as shown in the equations below:

Black-S1[x] = Affine (x⁻¹) + V1 (1)

Black-S2[x] = Affine (x⁻¹) + V2 (2)

Black-S3[x] = Affine (x⁻¹) + V3 (3)

Black-S4[x] = Affine (x⁻¹) + V4 (4)

Black-S5[x] = Affine (x⁻¹) + V5 (5)

Black-S6[x] = Affine (x⁻¹) + V6 (6)

Table with 16 columns (00-0F) and 16 rows (00-0F) representing Forward black-box 1.

Figure 2. Forward black-box1

Table with 16 columns (00-0F) and 16 rows (00-0F) representing Forward black-box 2.

Figure 3. Forward black-box2

Table with 16 columns (00-0F) and 16 rows (00-0F) representing Forward black-box 3.

Figure 4. Forward black-box3

Table with 16 columns (00-0F) and 16 rows (00-0F) representing Forward black-box 4.

Figure 5. Forward black-box4

Table with 16 columns (00-0F) and 16 rows (00-0F) representing Forward black-box 5.

Figure 6. Forward black-box5

Table with 16 columns (00-0F) and 16 rows (00-0F) representing Forward black-box 6.

Figure 7. Forward black-box6

2.2. Inverse-non-linear black-box

The inverse Black box stage involves the construction of inverse-cube of six inv-black box lookup tables, where each with 256-bytes and with different irreducible polynomial as stated in Figures 8-13. When the encryption is done by the forward black-box1 the decryption should be by backward inv-black-box1 to ensure the compatibility operations, because the black-box tables are designed with different affine equations, different irreducible polynomials and various constant vectors.

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

Figure 8. Backward black-box1

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

Figure 9. Backward black-box2

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

Figure 10. Backward black-box3

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

Figure 11. Backward black-box4

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

Figure 12. Backward black-box5

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	0A	0B	0C	0D	0E	0F
00	05	37	F2	D6	0A	BF	14	6C	B0	69	80	1A	79	E0	9B	83
01	5D	39	70	B7	F8	C7	44	87	A0	D0	86	FC	5C	F5	0D	E6
02	74	F0	D1	CD	35	B9	F1	CF	32	84	AE	47	CB	48	E9	9A
03	2E	C2	45	BD	B4	71	59	52	50	E7	A6	CC	43	E4	98	EF
04	A8	7B	21	B3	CA	A3	67	DD	3A	AA	FA	01	DA	96	6F	F4
05	0E	09	24	1C	B6	D9	4D	F9	CE	B1	42	4E	DE	63	91	3B
06	B2	3C	8A	0F	55	E5	29	8B	7A	6A	61	E8	4B	F3	EC	64
07	93	95	A2	BA	4C	B8	54	25	28	5E	81	56	53	16	65	5F
08	66	34	E3	75	C1	C9	DC	D8	C5	3F	8F	A1	72	60	EB	77
09	6D	FE	90	10	85	92	17	46	1D	FD	9E	BB	7D	1F	5A	A4
0A	5B	02	57	8D	94	03	19	DF	07	06	C6	04	12	00	D7	0C
0B	D4	41	83	9												

2.4. The internal linear matrices stages

The proposed cipher adopts six of new linear MDS codes with their inverses coefficients dedicated for each dimension cube as stated in (7-12). The linear stage is implemented with addition and multiplication operations. The essence mathematical clue is based on Galois field $GF(2^8)$ that works separately with each face in the cubic structure. The proposed linear codes can be represented as maximum distance separable (MDS) matrices. The linear MDS matrices code is implemented as a column-by-column multiplication modulo the reducible polynomial of x^4+1 .

$$\begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 04 & 07 & 04 & 06 \\ 06 & 04 & 07 & 04 \\ 04 & 06 & 04 & 07 \\ 07 & 04 & 06 & 04 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{0,c} \\ S_{1,c} \\ S_{2,c} \\ S_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 04 & 06 & 04 & 07 \\ 07 & 04 & 06 & 04 \\ 04 & 07 & 04 & 06 \\ 06 & 04 & 07 & 04 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 05 & 07 & 05 & 06 \\ 06 & 05 & 07 & 05 \\ 05 & 06 & 05 & 07 \\ 07 & 05 & 06 & 05 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{0,c} \\ S_{1,c} \\ S_{2,c} \\ S_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 05 & 06 & 05 & 07 \\ 07 & 05 & 06 & 05 \\ 05 & 07 & 05 & 06 \\ 06 & 05 & 07 & 05 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 07 & 05 & 06 & 05 \\ 05 & 07 & 05 & 06 \\ 06 & 05 & 07 & 05 \\ 05 & 06 & 05 & 07 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{0,c} \\ S_{1,c} \\ S_{2,c} \\ S_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 07 & 05 & 06 & 05 \\ 05 & 07 & 05 & 06 \\ 06 & 05 & 07 & 05 \\ 05 & 06 & 05 & 07 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 04 & 05 & 06 & 06 \\ 06 & 04 & 05 & 06 \\ 06 & 06 & 04 & 05 \\ 05 & 06 & 06 & 04 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{0,c} \\ S_{1,c} \\ S_{2,c} \\ S_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0e & 0a & 0c & 09 \\ 09 & 0e & 0a & 0c \\ 0c & 09 & 0e & 0a \\ 0a & 0c & 09 & 0e \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 03 & 04 & 01 & 07 \\ 07 & 03 & 04 & 01 \\ 01 & 07 & 03 & 04 \\ 04 & 01 & 07 & 03 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{0,c} \\ S_{1,c} \\ S_{2,c} \\ S_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 09 & 0b & 0b & 08 \\ 08 & 09 & 0b & 0b \\ 0b & 08 & 09 & 0b \\ 0b & 0b & 08 & 09 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 03 & 06 & 01 & 05 \\ 05 & 03 & 06 & 01 \\ 01 & 05 & 03 & 06 \\ 06 & 01 & 05 & 03 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{0,c} \\ S_{1,c} \\ S_{2,c} \\ S_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 09 & 09 & 0b & 0a \\ 0a & 09 & 09 & 0b \\ 0b & 0a & 09 & 09 \\ 09 & 0b & 0a & 09 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S'_{0,c} \\ S'_{1,c} \\ S'_{2,c} \\ S'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

The proposed MDS matrices size is 4*4 like the MDS of AES cipher which is responsible for achieving the confusion and diffusion scheme to the whole structure. The proposed matrices transformations have been chosen from the best solutions we have acquired. The search process for getting the proposed linear equations of order four was computerized automatically. The mathematical software was programmed with Visual Studio C# 2013 under the Windows-10 operating system of 64-bit CPU Intel (R) Core i7 2.65GHz and RAM 8-GB. The inverse MDS matrices linear codes are implemented by using the inverse matrix coefficients in backward operations. All the submitted MDS matrices have been verified as active equations by multiplying the forward matrices by backward matrices. The multiplication result gives the identity matrix for each couple of corresponding matrices. So, the decryption process in each round is implemented by multiplying the Inv-MDS code according to the dimension number with the corresponding encryption MDS code.

2.5. Key addition layer

This is the last stage in the round transformation and the most sensitive stage that determines the strength of the secret ciphering key. The key addition stage involves the key expansion technique for the key generation process that covers all the rounds. The ciphering sub-keys are generated by two complex functions for only one dimension can be shown in Figure 15. Each function consists of three complex operations that increase the complexity of the ciphering key and each one accepts 128-bit of initial entry key. The complex function includes three internal operations of subbyte operation, complement operation and XORed with the constant vector or byte-rotate process. The LSB byte in the ciphering key takes the mod operation for the number seven (mod 7) to determine which face or dimension in the cube through which the encryption process will be implemented in each round.

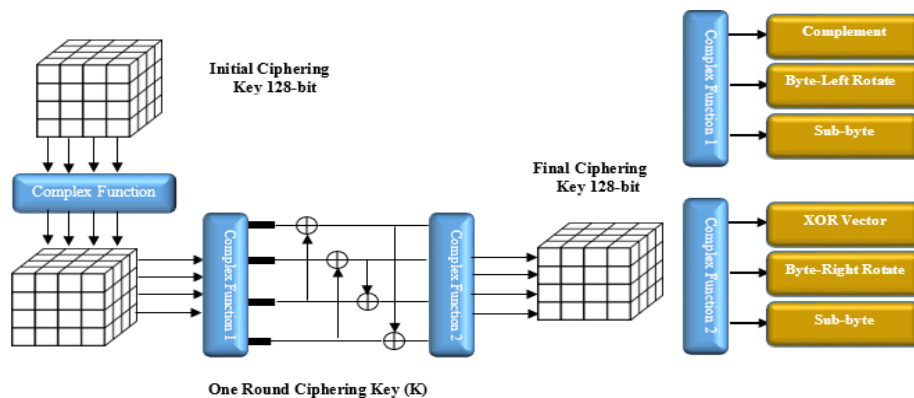


Figure 15. One dimension key generation algorithm of one-round

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Big data opened the door in front of several sophisticated challenges and numerous information security responsibilities. The proposed cipher can be analyzed from all directions to cover all design details and to figure out the internal operations. The cubic algorithm is designed with a solid round transformation that has six separate paths each of them traverses an independent algorithm. The selection path determines which cube dimension is selected and will be dedicated to encryption. The proposed algorithm adopts a strong secret key that makes the linear and differential attacks very hard. The proposed structure is a composed structure with multi-similar structures that work in parallel simultaneously. Moreover, each algorithm can work as an individual autonomous algorithm. The secret ciphering key is provided with two complex functions that work to prevent the weak/semi-weak sub-keys from appearance through the generation process. The round symmetry for the key scheduling adds an extra layer against the related-key attacks and the square attack. The proposed structure includes six active Black-box tables that apply a high nonlinearity and confusion against the linear and differential attacks. The magic shifting with six dimensions is a new direction for the design secrets with an optimal diffusion to defend the correlation attack. The six different linear MDS codes have been distributed into the proposed cubic dimensions independently. The product cipher with collected stages is affected greatly to the different propagation probabilities of the plaintext and ciphertext for the whole rounds. Furthermore, the product cipher will distribute the number of trails and weights for each bricklayer function iteratively. The differential properties for the algebraic aspects and the multiplicative inverse over Galois Field ($GF 2^8$) have been extended for multi-power.

The timing attack becomes impossible for the mathematical internal operations since the algorithm has a balance cubic structure. The balanced structure means that the same implementation time for the encryption and decryption operations in all dimensions. The multiplication process by the MDS code for the linear layer tends to be converged due to equality linear coefficients. The proposed MDS coefficients are almost convergent because they carry the same upper bound of coefficients. Thus, probably there is no leakage information throughout the computation process and consequently, the power analysis attack and timing attacks are very hard. The proposed cipher is focusing on increasing the security layer by preventing the attack from detecting the statistics' weakness. The ciphering sub-keys are implemented to enhance the security level by encountering all types of cryptanalysis attacks. The proposed cipher adopts an effective strategy for defeating the linear and differential attacks within a multi-dimensional framework. The whole randomness tests released by the National Institute and Standard Technology (NIST) have experimented on the acquired results. The outcome of these tests did not give any fluctuation at randomness boundaries. All of these aspects and tests are taken into account through the designing process. Simple tests for the speed measurement and a number of code lines of the proposed cipher and the original AES is shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Comparison between the proposed model and the original AES

Algorithm cipher	Block cipher	Key length	No. of rounds	Clock cycle of key scheduling	Clock cycle of encryption process	Code size-assembly language
Cubic-dimension1	128-bit	128-bit	10-rounds	12050	13580	10430
Cubic-dimension2	128-bit	128-bit	10-rounds	12850	13595	10520
Cubic-dimension3	128-bit	128-bit	10-rounds	12670	13860	10380
Cubic-dimension4	128-bit	128-bit	10-rounds	12400	14670	10480
Cubic-dimension5	128-bit	128-bit	10-rounds	12890	14400	10600
Cubic-dimension6	128-bit	128-bit	10-rounds	12760	14870	10510
The standard AES	128-bit	128-bit	10-rounds	11050	12930	9150

The encryption and decryption implementation time is measured for the proposed cipher according to each dimension independently and compared with the AES standard cipher as shown in Figure 16. The implementation time of the decryption process for the proposed ciphers is varied smoothly from one-dimensional algorithm to another. The time differentiation is occurred due to the coefficients differences in the proposed mathematical equations.

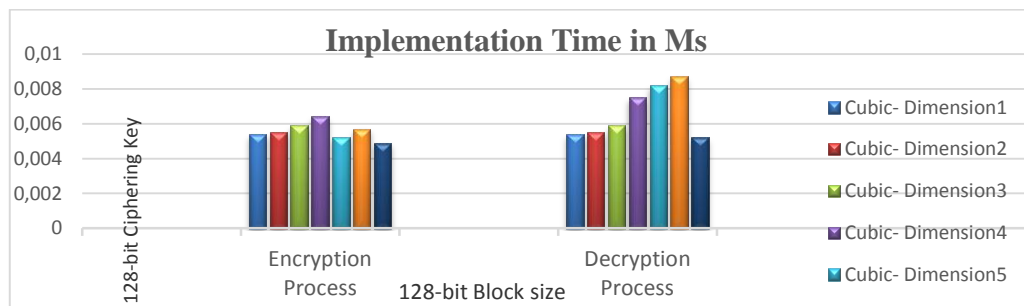


Figure 16. Comparison of time implementation encryption/decryption process

4. CONCLUSION

A novel cubic symmetric cipher algorithm has been proposed and developed of round transformation with six dimensions and ten iterated rounds. The proposed cipher has the ability to encrypt the data with multi-dimensional algorithms that compensate for six collected cryptographic algorithms working together. The proposed algorithm includes various mathematical backgrounds of the finite field over $GF(2^8)$ and magic square mathematical formula. The developed cipher works to encrypt the 128-bit block of data for each dimension independently. Moreover, the main structure can be implemented in parallel from all directions of the cube to increase the speed of the encryption rate in busy servers. The cubic cipher provides a high margin of confidentiality and flexibility in the implementation. The implementation process can be individual or in parallel with a multi-dimensional structure to satisfy the big data needs and the development of technology in different disciplinary fields. The cubic cipher algorithm introduces a modern design structure with accepted results that are almost close to the results of the standard algorithms.

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