An Exploration of Mechanisms for Dynamic Cryptographic Instruction Set Extension



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Instruction Set Extensions in Practice



Main Contributions

- Implementation of Reconfigurable Processor
- Evaluation with Cryptographic Primitives
- Security Analysis

Prototype



Programming Interface of Re-configurable Fabric

GPR[dst] = f(GPR[src1], GPR[src2], imm)



Performance Improvement 1.2x - 37x



Memory Footprint Reduction 20% - 93%

Reconfiguration Speed as Bottleneck



Reduction in Memory Fetches 2x – 8x

See .

Trusted Configuration



Information Leakage

Fault Injection



