

# Foundations for Future On-chip Fingerprints

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## What is a Physical Unclonable Function, and why do we need it?

### PUF

- A PUF is a one-way function with a mapping determined by uncontrolled, but static, variations of a physical object

### Applications

- Cryptographic Key Generation
- Authentication

### Requirements

- Stable
- Unique
- Unclonable
- Unpredictable
- One-way

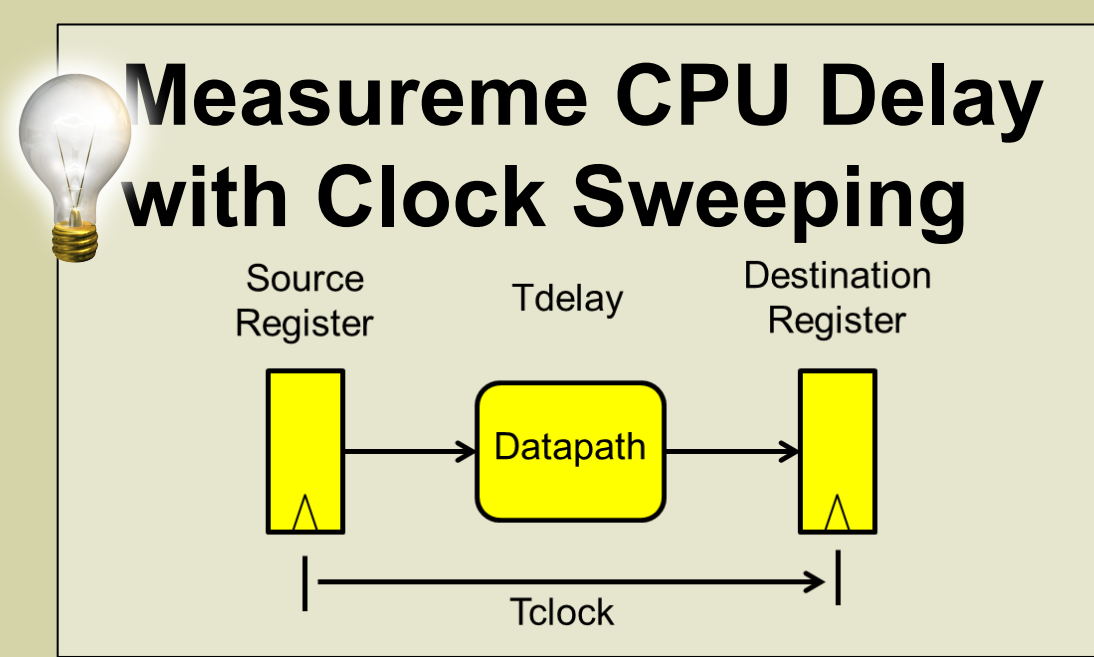
**A Silicon PUF is a fingerprint, a biometric unique a single chip**

This project explores novel PUF artifacts, data, and analysis methods

## Artifact

[FPL 2012]

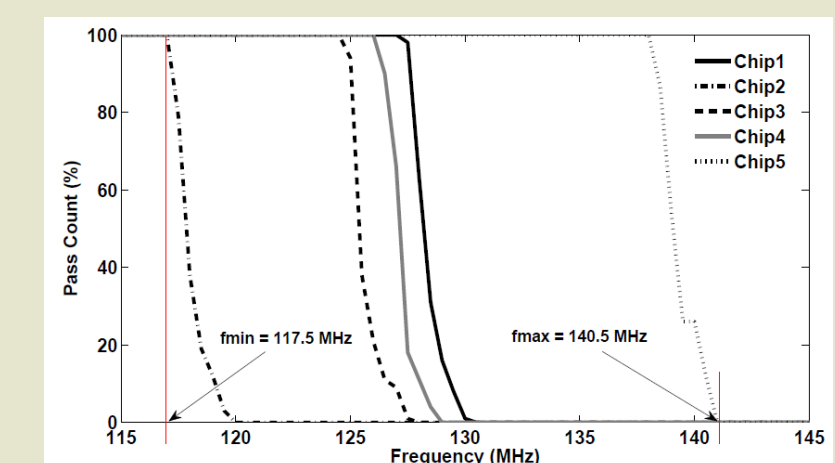
### Microprocessor-based Physical Unclonable Function



#### SW-driven Measurement

```
<set clock>
mov r1, #0x7FFFFFFF
mov r2, #0x1
add r1, r2, r3
cmp r3, 0x80000000
```

#### CPU Characterization



## Analysis

[FPL 2011]

### Aging of PUF



Are old PUF stable? Are they unique?



Stability Degrades (5-10%)

Uniqueness Almost Constant (0.5%)

**Aging tolerable w error correction**

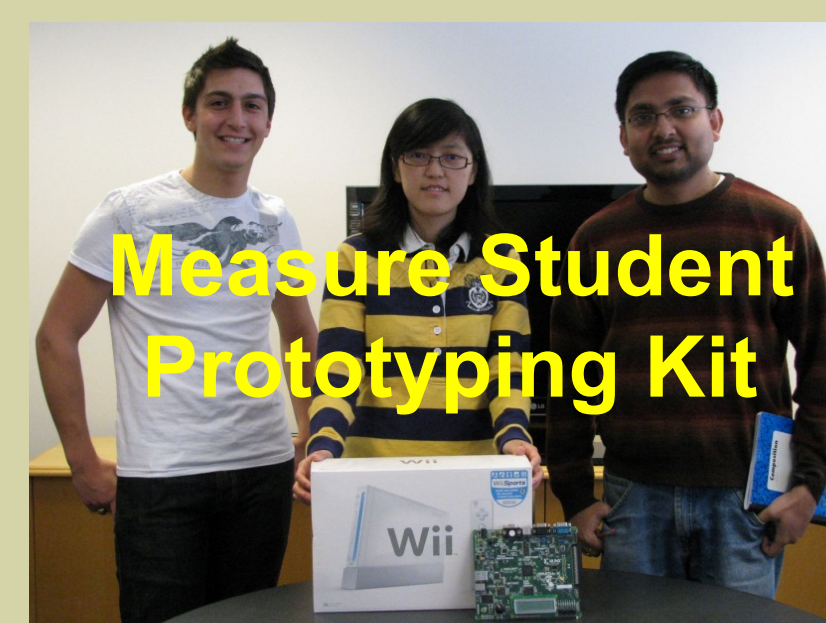
## Data

[HOST 2010]

### FPGA Measurements of RO PUF



How to quickly measure lots of chips?



<http://rijndael.ece.vt.edu/puf>

## Selected Publications

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