

CYBER SECURITY ISSUES IN MODERN ROBOTICS

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SECURITY FOR ROBOTICS

- 04/22 – ROS2 Vulnerability Alias Robots
- 04/22 – JekyllBot5: Aethon TUG smart robots
- 07/21 – 17 new CVEs on ROS2: Universal Robots
- 09/20 – Vulnerabilities on UVD Robots

TODAY'S TALK

- How to attack the hardware and software stack of modern robots?
 - Software Stack
 - DoS on ROS
 - ROS2 Recon and Reflection
 - Mitigation: SROS and Beyond
 - Hardware Stack
 - Microarchitectural and Sensor Insecurities

ROS

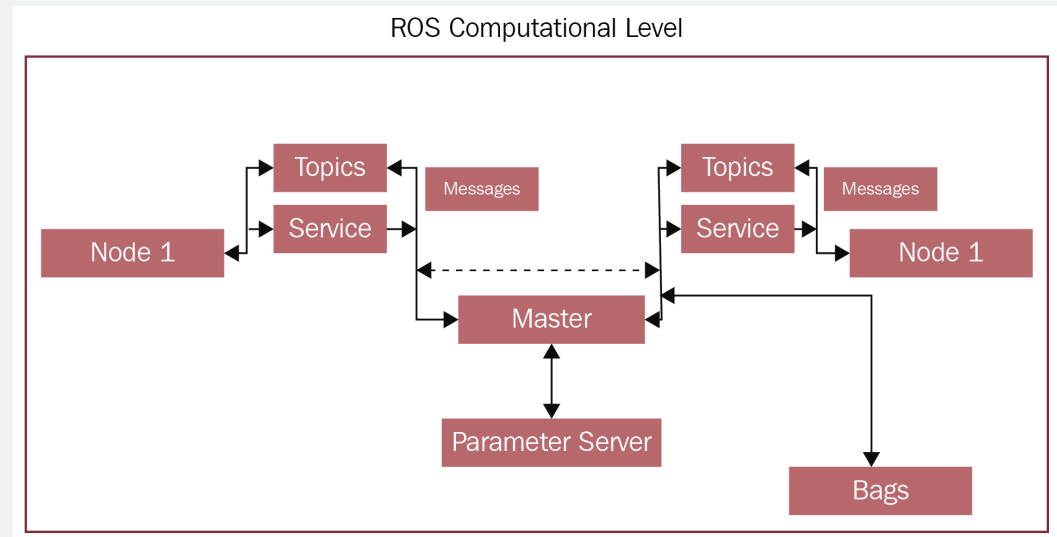
- Robot Operating System
- Not a real OS
 - Set of software framework
 - Can support heterogeneous compute nodes
- Graph architecture
 - Processing nodes
 - Message passing API
- Not real-time, see ROS2

It's **estimated** that by 2024, 55% of the total commercial robots will be shipping at least one ROS package



ROS COMPUTATION GRAPH

- Node
- Topics
- Service
- Parameter Server



ROS NETWORK INTERACTIONS

- Data Distribution Service: DDS
 - Middleware
 - Default communication for ROS2
 - Insecure
 - Easy to dissect and craft packages (RTPS)

ROS RECONNAISSANCE

- DDS Discovery
 - Craft discovery requests
 - Send to targets
 - Find DDS participants in the target machine

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0000 52 54 50 53 02 01 01 10 01 10 5C 8E 2C D4 58 47 RTPS.....\.,.XG
0010 FA 5A 30 D3 09 01 08 00 6E 91 76 61 09 C4 5C E5 .Z0.....n.va..\
0020 15 05 F8 00 00 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 00 C2 .....
0030 00 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 00 03 00 00 2C 00 1C 00 .....
0040 17 00 00 00 44 44 53 50 65 72 66 3A 30 3A 35 38 ....DDSPerf:0:58
0050 3A 74 65 73 74 2E 6C 6F 63 61 6C 00 15 00 04 00 :test.local.....
0060 02 01 00 00 16 00 04 00 01 10 00 00 02 00 08 00 .....
0070 00 00 00 00 38 89 41 00 50 00 10 00 01 10 5C 8E ....8.A.P.....\
0080 2C D4 58 47 FA 5A 30 D3 00 00 01 C1 58 00 04 00 ,.XG.Z0.....X...
0090 00 00 00 00 0F 00 04 00 00 00 00 00 31 00 18 00 .....1...
00a0 01 00 00 00 6A 7A 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ....jz.....
00b0 00 00 00 00 C0 A8 01 55 32 00 18 00 01 00 00 00 .....U2.....
00c0 6A 7A 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 jz.....
00d0 C0 A8 01 55 07 80 38 00 00 00 00 00 2C 00 00 00 ...U..8.....
00e0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
00f0 74 65 73 74 2E 6C 6F 63 61 6C 2F 30 2E 39 2E 30 test.local/0.9.0
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DDS response from CycloneDDS

LET'S DO SOME ATTACKS

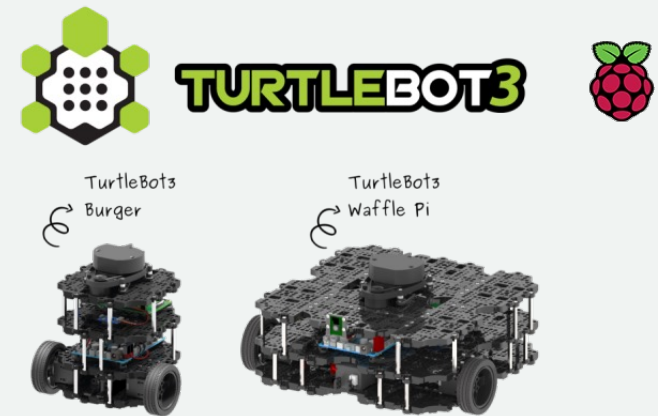
- Reflection
 - Open multicast interaction:
PID_METATRAFFIC_MULTICAST_LOCATOR
 - No IP sanitization
 - Attacker injects random IP in this field and induce a ROS2 Node
 - Generate continuous traffic and overload the stack
 - CVE-2021- 38487, CVE-2021- 38425

NODE CRASHING

- Fuzzing
 - CVE-2021- 38447
 - OCI OpenDDS versions prior to 3.18.1 are vulnerable when an attacker sends a specially crafted packet to flood target devices with unwanted traffic, which may result in a denial-of-service condition.
 - CVE-2021- 38445
 - OCI OpenDDS versions prior to 3.18.1 do not handle a length parameter consistent with the actual length of the associated data, which may allow an attacker to remotely execute arbitrary code.

ROS2 TO TURTLEBOT

- DoS attack on TurtleBOT nodes
 - TB3s use security aware DDS: RTI Connex
 - Applications: Aeospace, medical, and military
 - CVE-2021- 38435
 - RTI Connex DDS Professional, Connex 2* DDS Secure Versions 4.2x to 6.1.0, and Connex DDS Micro Versions 3.0.0 and later do not correctly calculate the size when allocating the buffer, which may result in a buffer overflow
 - Segmentation fault BY **malformed RTPS packet**
 - Trigger remotely over the network



SECURING ROS: SROS

- A set of security enhancements for ROS
- Three levels of concepts
 - Transport Security level → Secure Communication
 - Access Control level → Trusted Access
 - Process Profile level → Application Security

SROS: TRANSPORT LAYER

- TLS to protect all ROS related traffic.
- Use TLS by shimming its way between the network stack and the ROS client library.
- SROS wrap all socket level ROS communication via TLS
- Malicious actors can not redirect or replay network traffic, nor could they modify or spoof messages via man-in-the-middle attacks.

SROS: PROCESS PROFILE LAYER

- AppArmor ("Application Armor")
 - A Linux kernel security module that allows the system administrator to restrict programs' capabilities with per-program profiles.
 - Security policies completely define what system resources individual applications can access, and with what privileges.
 - Malicious or dysfunctional nodes can be restricted
 - Safeguard robotic subsystems from unexpected behavior or bad actor exploits

OPPORTUNITIES

- Hack it like the '90s
 - ROSChaos - Pentesting
 - RoboSploit
 - ISF (Industrial Control System Exploitation Framework)
- Weak and Security-oblivious Implementation
- Life-cycle management
- Security fundamentals are preached but rarely practiced

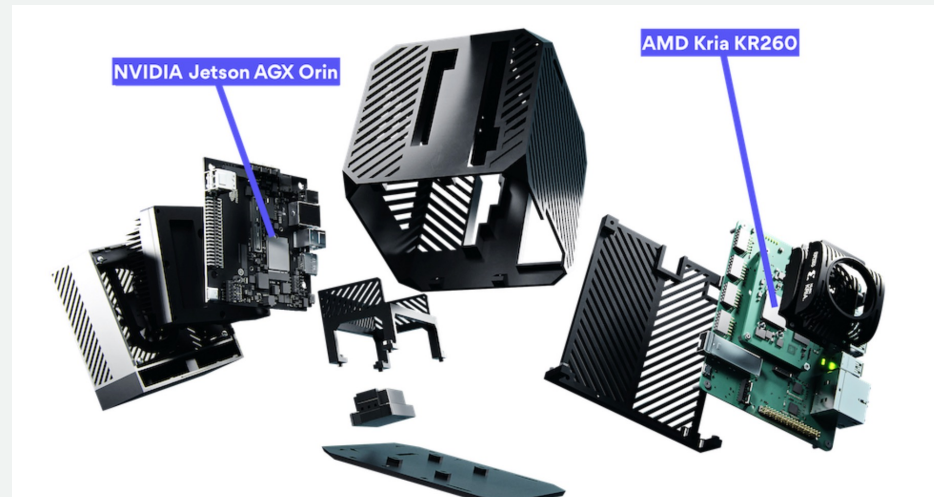
HARDWARE SECURITY IN ROBOTICS

- Embedded Systems Security
 - Processor
 - Sensors/ Actuators
 - I/O

OUR CURRENT WORKS

- Side channel and fault injection in robotic SoC
- Security flaws in NVDLA
- Secure sensor integration using split learning

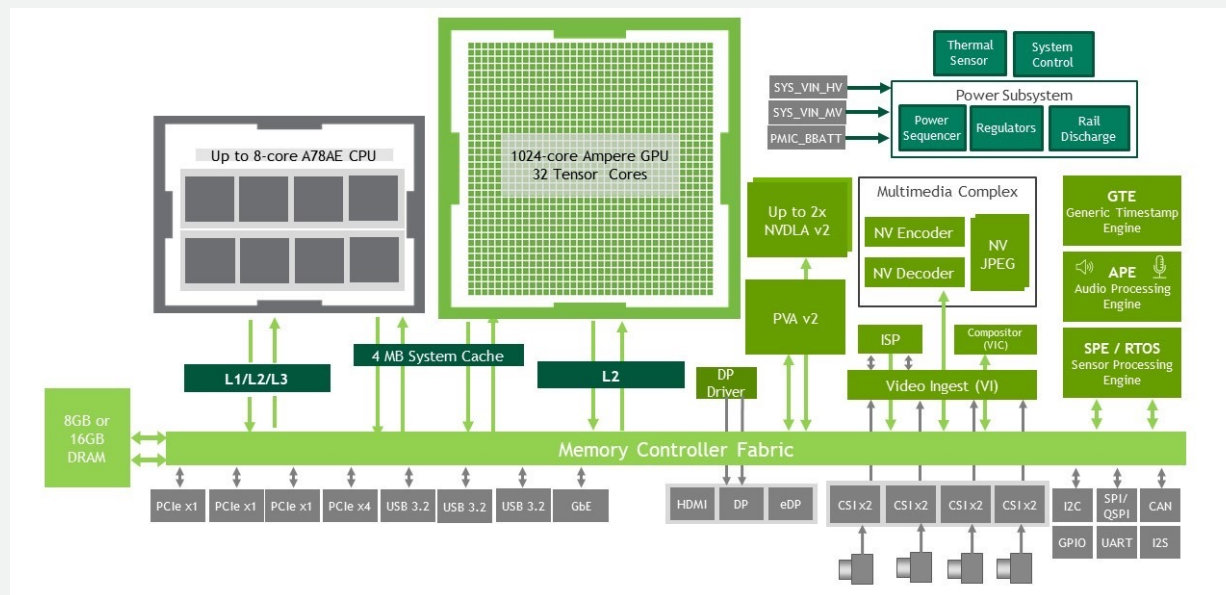
HARDWARE ACCELERATION



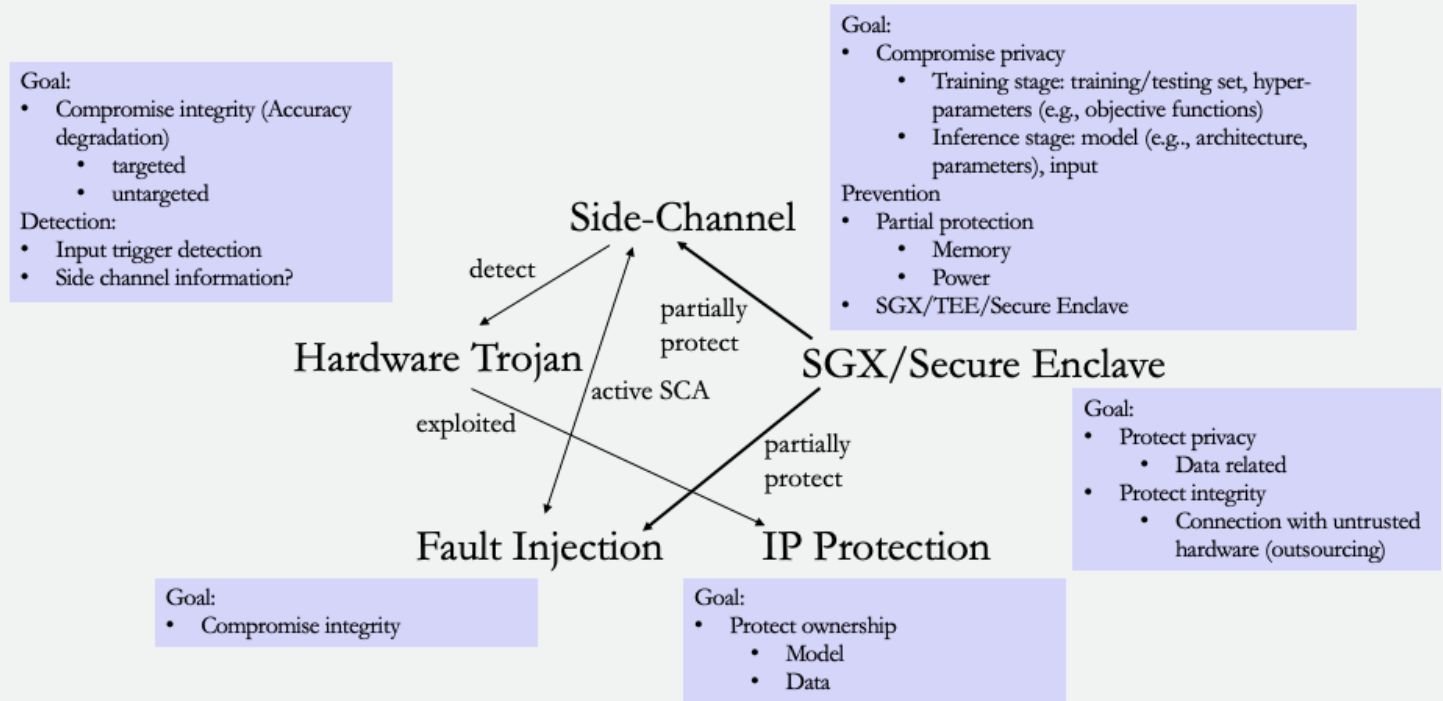
ROBOT CORE

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- “The ideal solution for a new age of robotics”

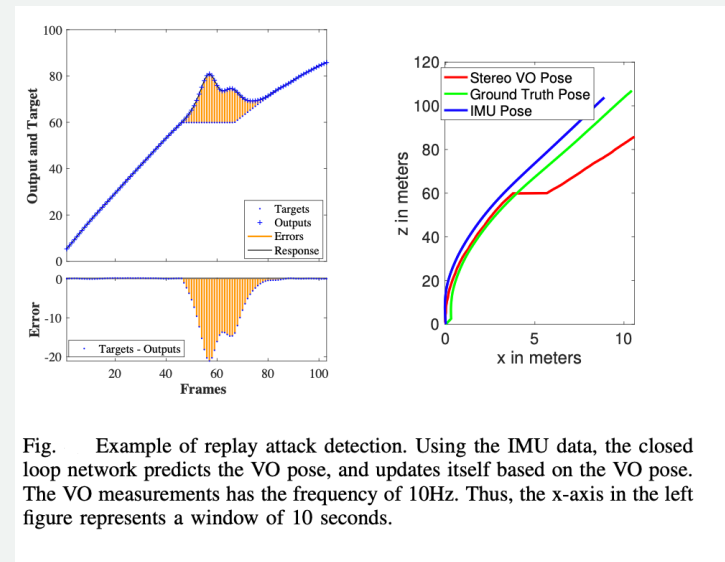
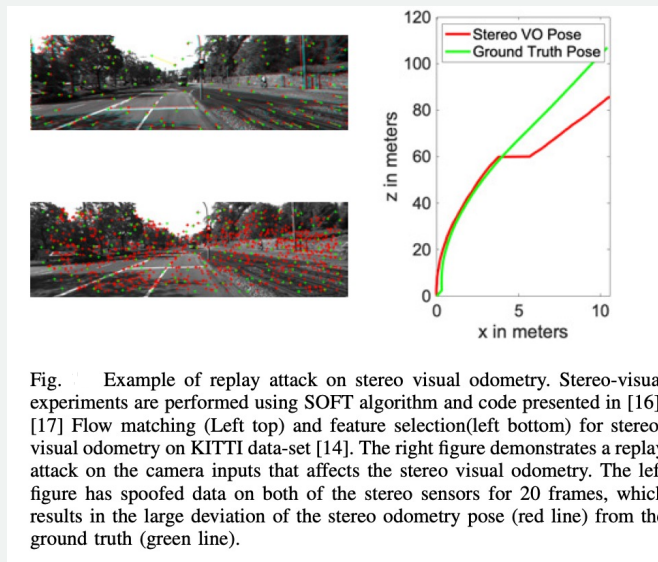


HARDWARE SECURITY OF THE AI MODELS



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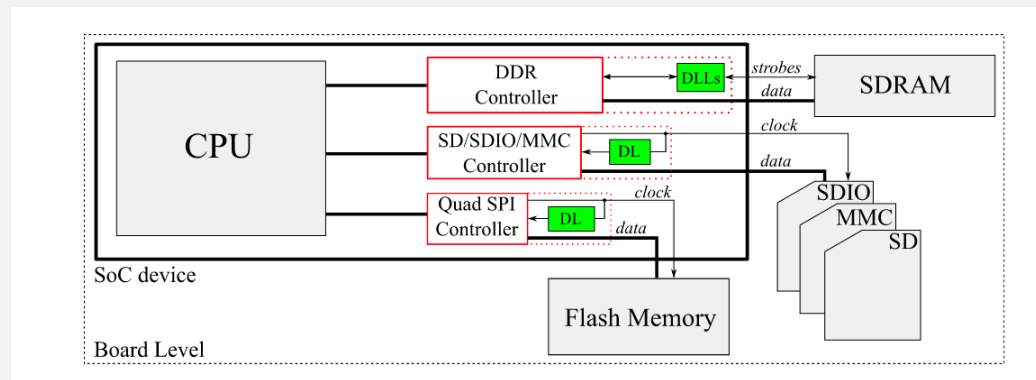
ATTACK ON SENSOR FUSION[5]



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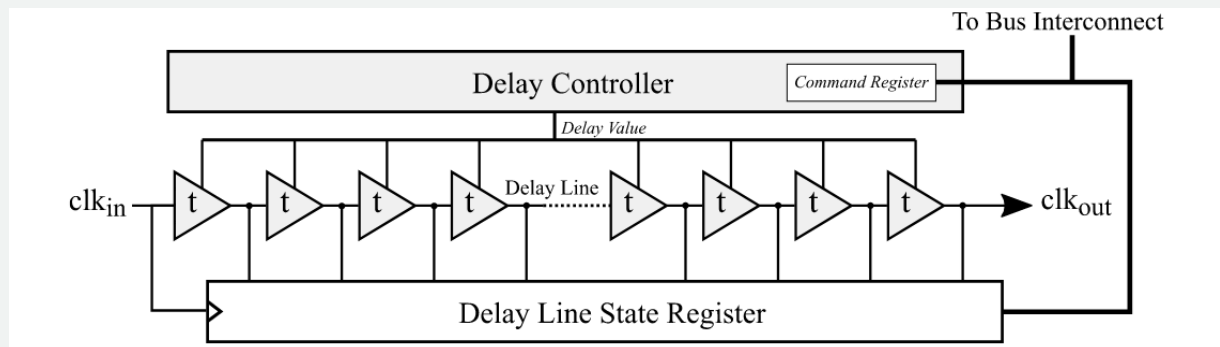
POWER SIDE-CHANNEL VIA MEMORY SYNCHRONIZATION[6]

- Typical SoC connectivity with external memories.
- Delay-lines are implemented to synchronize clock and data signals arrival in the memory controllers

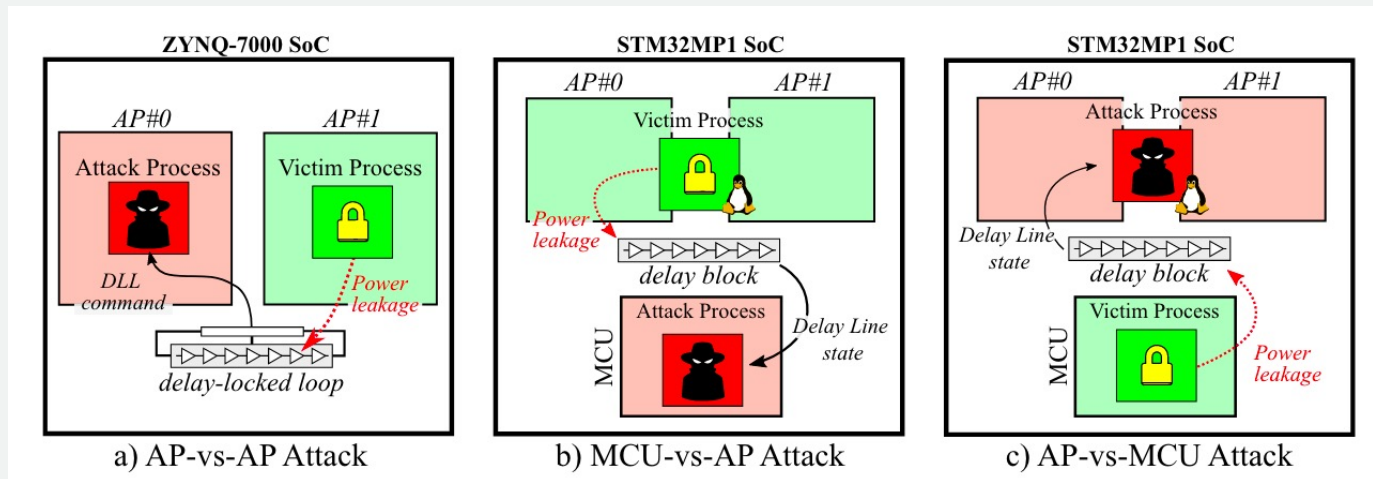


DELAY CONTROLLER[6]

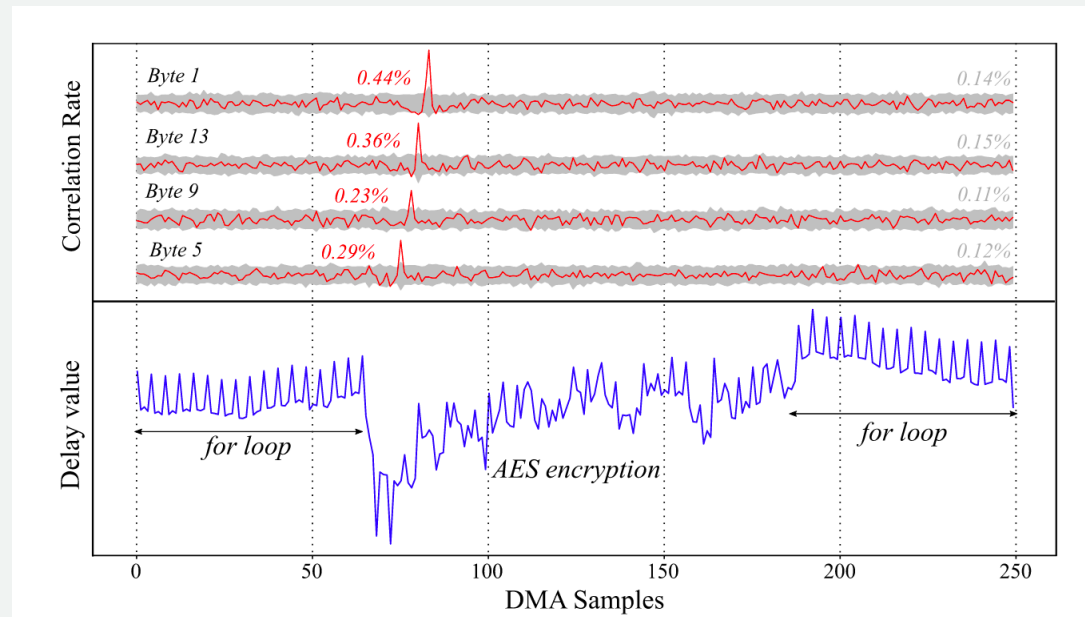
The delay-line is calibrated to provide a phase shift to a clk signal using both coarse and fine delay elements



USING DELAY LINES FOR POWER ANALYSIS[6]



POWER SIDE CHANNEL[6]



CONCLUSIONS

- Hardware and Software Security for Robotics is imperative
- Software security issues plagues current gen robots
- Hardware security issues presents more attack surfaces
- Poor lifecycle management for legacy HW and SW
- The time is NOW for Robot Cybersecurity

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