

New FORK-256

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Abstract. The hash function FORK-256 was published at the first NIST hash workshop and FSE 2006. It consists of simple operations so that its performance is better than that of SHA-256. However, recent papers show some weaknesses of FORK-256. In this paper, we propose newly modified FORK-256 which has no microcollisions and so is resistant against existing attacks. Furthermore, it is faster than the old one.

1 Introduction

The hash function FORK-256 [1] was introduced at the first NIST hash workshop and at FSE 2006. Its performance is at least 30% better than that of SHA-256 in software. However, several recent papers [2–5] indicate ‘microcollisions’ exist inside of FORK-256 from the fact that inner functions f and g are not bijective, and suggest collision-finding attack using microcollisions.

- Matusiewicz, Contini, and Pieprzyk introduced microcollisions of FORK-256 by using the fact that the functions f and g in the step function are not bijective. They used microcollisions to find collisions of 2-branch FORK-256 in [2], and later, collisions of full FORK-256 with complexity of $2^{126.6}$ in [3].
- Independently, Mendel, Lano, and Preneel [5] published the collision-finding attack on 2-branch FORK-256 using microcollisions and raised possibility of its expansion.
- At FSE 2007 [4], Matusiewicz, Peyrin, Billet, Contini, and Pieprzyk published the result of [2, 3] and another attack which finds a collision with complexity of 2^{108} and memory of 2^{64} .

In this paper, we propose newly modified FORK-256 which has no microcollisions and so is resistant against existing attacks. Furthermore, it is faster than the old one.

2 Modification of FORK-256

In this section, we describe modified points with the modification strategy. The compression function of FORK-256 consists of 4 parallel branch functions. Each branch function consists of 8 sequential step functions. Each step function has two different simple functions f and g with 32-bit inputs and outputs. In new FORK-256, f and g are modified as follows.

Old	New
$f(x) = x \boxplus (x \lll 7 \oplus x \lll 22)$	$f(x) = x \oplus x \lll 15 \oplus x \lll 27$
$g(x) = x \oplus (x \lll 13 \boxplus x \lll 27)$	$g(x) = x \oplus (x \lll 7 \boxplus x \lll 25)$

Especially, the function f is changed from nonbijective to bijective. This change eliminates microcollisions in the step transformation, which have been crucial points of the attacks on old FORK-256. Moreover, f and g propagate the difference of a message word to the chaining variables.

We also modify the step function slightly. Two additions and two XORs are removed. 4 shift rotations are modified. We searched all the case and found candidate values so that the rank of the linearized step function is maximal.

3 Specification of New FORK-256

In this section, we describe the whole algorithm of new FORK-256. The following notations are used for the description of new FORK-256.

$$\begin{aligned}\boxplus &: \text{addition mod } 2^{32} \\ \oplus &: \text{XOR (eXclusive OR)} \\ A^{\ll s} &: s\text{-bit left shift rotation for a 32-bit string } A \\ |A|_{512} &: \text{the number of 512-bit blocks in a string } A\end{aligned}$$

3.1 Construction of FORK-256

FORK-256 employs Merkle-Damgård construction with the compression function $\text{FORK256COMP}(\cdot, \cdot)$ and the padding method $\text{PAD}(\cdot)$ as follows, where $CV_0 = IV$ is the initial value and M is the message.

$\text{FORK256HASH}(CV_0, M)$ $n \leftarrow \text{PAD}(M) _{512};$ Partition $\text{PAD}(M)$ into n 512-bit blocks M_0, \dots, M_{n-1} ; For $i = 0$ to $n - 1$ $CV_{i+1} \leftarrow \text{FORK256COMP}(CV_i, M_i);$ Return CV_n ;
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3.2 Message Block Length and Padding

The message block length of the compression function FORK256COMP is 512 bits. PAD pads a message by appending a single bit 1 next to the least significant bit of the message, followed by zero or more bit 0's until the length of the message is 448 modulo 512, and then appends to the message the 64-bit original message length modulo 2^{64} .

3.3 Structure of FORK-256 Compression Function

Fig. 1 depicts the outline of the compression function FORK256COMP . FORK256COMP hashes a 768-bit string (a 512-bit message block plus a 256-bit chaining variable) to a 256-bit string. It consists of four parallel branch functions, BRANCH_1 , BRANCH_2 , BRANCH_3 , and BRANCH_4 . Let $CV_i = (CV_i[0], CV_i[1], \dots, CV_i[7])$ where $CV_i[j]$ is a 32-bit word. The initial value CV_0 is set as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \overline{CV_0[0] = 0x6a09e667} & \overline{CV_0[1] = 0xbb67ae85} \\ \overline{CV_0[2] = 0x3c6ef372} & \overline{CV_0[3] = 0xa54ff53a} \\ \overline{CV_0[4] = 0x510e527f} & \overline{CV_0[5] = 0x9b05688c} \\ \overline{CV_0[6] = 0x1f83d9ab} & \overline{CV_0[7] = 0x5be0cd19} \end{array}$$

Let us see the computing procedure of the i -th iteration of FORK256COMP . The message block M_i is partitioned to 16 32-bit words $(M_i[0], \dots, M_i[15])$. Let $R_j^{(s)} = (R_j^{(s)}[0], \dots, R_j^{(s)}[7])$ for $1 \leq j \leq 4$ and $0 \leq s \leq 8$ where each $R_j^{(s)}[t]$ is a 32-bit word for $0 \leq t \leq 7$. $R_j^{(8)}$ is the output of BRANCH_j on the inputs CV_i and M_i , for $1 \leq j \leq 4$ and computed as follows:

$$R_j^{(8)} = \text{BRANCH}_j(CV_i, M_i) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq 4$$

where $R_j^{(s)}$'s are used in computation of BRANCH_j for $1 \leq j \leq 4$ and $0 \leq s \leq 7$. Consequently, $CV_{i+1} = (CV_{i+1}[0], \dots, CV_{i+1}[7])$ is the output of the i -th iteration of FORK256COMP and computed as follows:

$$CV_{i+1}[t] = CV_i[t] \boxplus ((R_1^{(8)}[t] \boxplus R_2^{(8)}[t]) \oplus (R_3^{(8)}[t] \boxplus R_4^{(8)}[t])) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 7.$$

3.4 Branch Function

Each BRANCH_j for $1 \leq j \leq 4$ is computed on the inputs CV_i and M_i as follows:

$\text{BRANCH}_j(CV_i, M_i)$ $R_j^{(0)} \leftarrow CV_i;$ For $s = 0$ to 7 $R_j^{(s+1)} \leftarrow \text{STEP}(R_j^{(s)}, M_i[\sigma_j(2s)], M_i[\sigma_j(2s+1)], \delta[\rho_j(2s)], \delta[\rho_j(2s+1)]);$ Return $R_j^{(8)}$;
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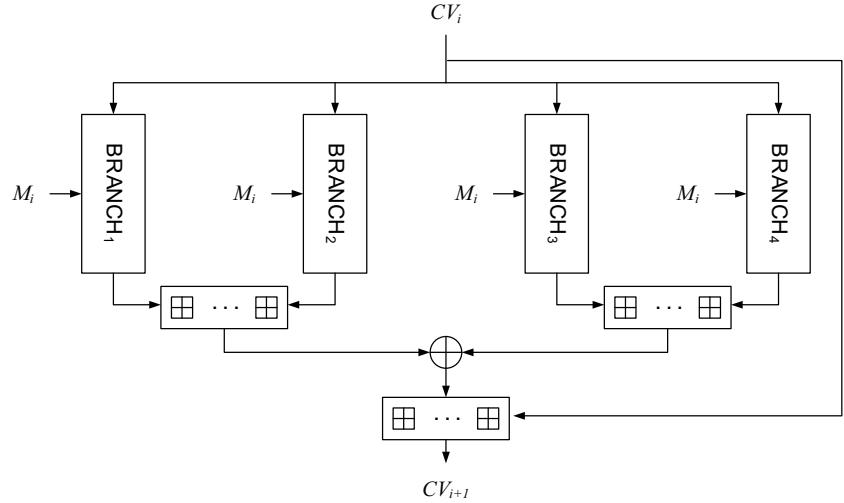


Fig. 1. Compression function of FORK-256, FORK256COMP

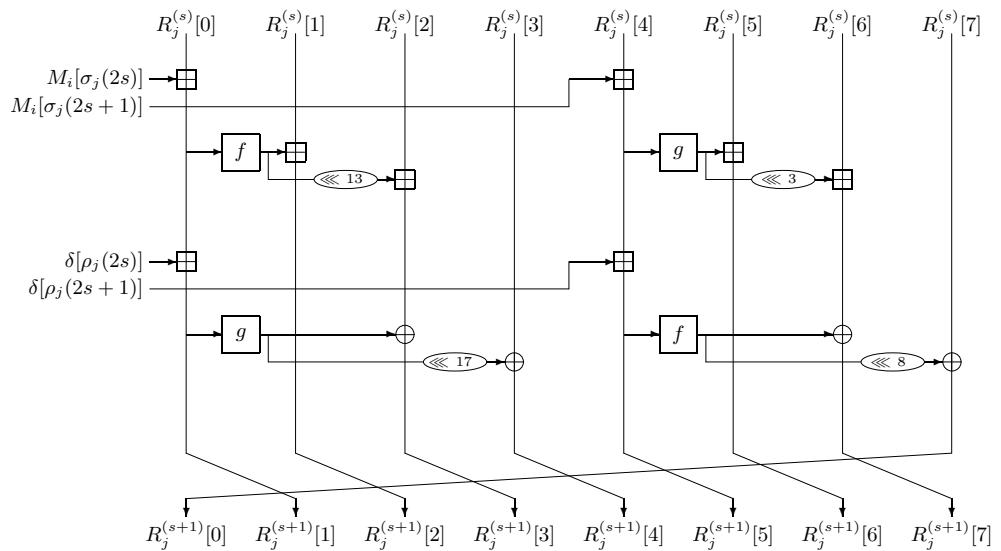


Fig. 2. Step function of FORK-256, STEP ($0 \leq s \leq 7, 1 \leq j \leq 4$)

Table 1. Message word ordering

s	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$\sigma_1(s)$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$\sigma_2(s)$	14	15	11	9	8	10	3	4	2	13	0	5	6	7	12	1
$\sigma_3(s)$	7	6	10	14	13	2	9	12	11	4	15	8	5	0	1	3
$\sigma_4(s)$	5	12	1	8	15	0	13	11	3	10	9	2	7	14	4	6

Message Word Ordering Each BRANCH_j for $1 \leq j \leq 4$ uses the message words $M_i[0], \dots, M_i[15]$ with different order σ_j .

Constants FORK256COMP totally uses sixteen constants:

$\delta[0]$	= 0x428a2f98	$\delta[1]$	= 0x71374491
$\delta[2]$	= 0xb5c0fbcf	$\delta[3]$	= 0xe9b5dba5
$\delta[4]$	= 0x3956c25b	$\delta[5]$	= 0x59f111f1
$\delta[6]$	= 0x923f82a4	$\delta[7]$	= 0xab1c5ed5
$\delta[8]$	= 0xd807aa98	$\delta[9]$	= 0x12835b01
$\delta[10]$	= 0x243185be	$\delta[11]$	= 0x550c7dc3
$\delta[12]$	= 0x72be5d74	$\delta[13]$	= 0x80deb1fe
$\delta[14]$	= 0x9bdc06a7	$\delta[15]$	= 0xc19bf174

These constants are used in each BRANCH_j with different order ρ_j for $1 \leq j \leq 4$.

Table 2. Constant ordering

s	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$\rho_1(s)$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$\rho_2(s)$	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
$\rho_3(s)$	1	0	3	2	5	4	7	6	9	8	11	10	13	12	15	14
$\rho_4(s)$	14	15	12	13	10	11	8	9	6	7	4	5	2	3	0	1

Step Function In the s -th step of BRANCH_j for $1 \leq j \leq 4$ and $0 \leq s \leq 7$, STEP outputs $R_j^{(s+1)}$ on the inputs $R_j^{(s)}$, $M_i[\sigma_j(2s)]$, $M_i[\sigma_j(2s+1)]$, $\delta[\rho_j(2s)]$, and $\delta[\rho_j(2s+1)]$. $R_j^{(s+1)}$ is computed as follows (See Fig. 2):

$$\begin{aligned}
R_j^{(s+1)}[0] &= R_j^{(s)}[7] \oplus f(R_j^{(s)}[4] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s+1)] \boxplus \delta[\rho_j(2s+1)])^{\lll 8}, \\
R_j^{(s+1)}[1] &= R_j^{(s)}[0] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s)] \boxplus \delta[\rho_j(2s)], \\
R_j^{(s+1)}[2] &= R_j^{(s)}[1] \boxplus f(R_j^{(s)}[0] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s)]) \\
R_j^{(s+1)}[3] &= R_j^{(s)}[2] \boxplus f(R_j^{(s)}[0] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s)])^{\lll 13} \oplus g(R_j^{(s)}[0] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s)] \boxplus \delta[\rho_j(2s)]), \\
R_j^{(s+1)}[4] &= R_j^{(s)}[3] \oplus g(R_j^{(s)}[0] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s)] \boxplus \delta[\rho_j(2s)])^{\lll 17}, \\
R_j^{(s+1)}[5] &= R_j^{(s)}[4] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s+1)] \boxplus \delta[\rho_j(2s+1)], \\
R_j^{(s+1)}[6] &= R_j^{(s)}[5] \oplus g(R_j^{(s)}[4] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s+1)]) \\
R_j^{(s+1)}[7] &= R_j^{(s)}[6] \oplus g(R_j^{(s)}[4] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s+1)])^{\lll 3} \oplus f(R_j^{(s)}[4] \boxplus M_i[\sigma_j(2s+1)] \boxplus \delta[\rho_j(2s+1)]).
\end{aligned}$$

4 Performance

Table 3. Comparison of the performance of new FORK-256, old FORK-256, and SHA-256 which are implemented with Visual C++ (Ver 6.0) in Window XP Professional Version 2002, Pentium 4, CPU 3.2 GHz

New FORK-256	Old FORK-256	SHA-256
762.939 Mbps	538.942 Mbps	434.028 Mbps

5 Source Code

Here, we provide a source code for the compression function of FORK-256.

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unsigned int delta[16] = {
    0x428a2f98, 0x71374491, 0xb5c0fbcf, 0xe9b5dba5,
    0x3956c25b, 0x59f111f1, 0x923f82a4, 0xab1c5ed5,
    0xd807aa98, 0x12835b01, 0x243185be, 0x550c7dc3,
    0x72be5d74, 0x80deb1fe, 0x9bdc06a7, 0xc19bf174
};

#define ROL(x, n)  ( (x) << n ) | ( (x) >> (32-n) )

#define f(x)  ( x ^ ROL(x,15) ^ ROL(x,27) )

#define g(x)  ( x ^ (ROL(x,7) + ROL(x,25)) )

#define step(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H, M1,M2,D1,D2)
\

temp1 = A + M1;                                \
temp2 = E + M2;                                \
A = temp1 + D1;                                \
E = temp2 + D2;                                \
temp1 = f(temp1);                             \
temp2 = g(temp2);                             \
temp3 = g(A);                                 \
temp4 = f(E);                                 \
B += temp1;                                  \
F += temp2;                                  \
C = (C + ROL(temp1, 13)) ^ temp3;           \
G = (G + ROL(temp2, 3)) ^ temp4;             \
D ^= ROL(temp3, 17);                          \
H ^= ROL(temp4, 8);

static void FORK256_Compression_Function(unsigned int *CV, unsigned
int *M) {
    unsigned long R1[8],R2[8],R3[8],R4[8];
    unsigned long temp1, temp2, temp3, temp4;

    R1[0] = R2[0] = R3[0] = R4[0] = CV[0];
    R1[1] = R2[1] = R3[1] = R4[1] = CV[1];
    R1[2] = R2[2] = R3[2] = R4[2] = CV[2];
    R1[3] = R2[3] = R3[3] = R4[3] = CV[3];
    R1[4] = R2[4] = R3[4] = R4[4] = CV[4];
    R1[5] = R2[5] = R3[5] = R4[5] = CV[5];
    R1[6] = R2[6] = R3[6] = R4[6] = CV[6];
    R1[7] = R2[7] = R3[7] = R4[7] = CV[7];

    // BRANCH1(CV,M)
    step(R1[0],R1[1],R1[2],R1[3],R1[4],R1[5],R1[6],R1[7],M[0],M[1],delta[0],delta[1]);
    step(R1[7],R1[0],R1[1],R1[2],R1[3],R1[4],R1[5],R1[6],M[2],M[3],delta[2],delta[3]);
    step(R1[6],R1[7],R1[0],R1[1],R1[2],R1[3],R1[4],R1[5],M[4],M[5],delta[4],delta[5]);
    step(R1[5],R1[6],R1[7],R1[0],R1[1],R1[2],R1[3],R1[4],M[6],M[7],delta[6],delta[7]);
    step(R1[4],R1[5],R1[6],R1[7],R1[0],R1[1],R1[2],R1[3],M[8],M[9],delta[8],delta[9]);
    step(R1[3],R1[4],R1[5],R1[6],R1[7],R1[0],R1[1],R1[2],M[10],M[11],delta[10],delta[11]);
    step(R1[2],R1[3],R1[4],R1[5],R1[6],R1[7],R1[0],R1[1],M[12],M[13],delta[12],delta[13]);
    step(R1[1],R1[2],R1[3],R1[4],R1[5],R1[6],R1[7],R1[0],M[14],M[15],delta[14],delta[15]);

    // BRANCH2(CV,M)
    step(R2[0],R2[1],R2[2],R2[3],R2[4],R2[5],R2[6],R2[7],M[14],M[15],delta[15],delta[14]);
    step(R2[7],R2[0],R2[1],R2[2],R2[3],R2[4],R2[5],R2[6],M[11],M[9],delta[13],delta[12]);
    step(R2[6],R2[7],R2[0],R2[1],R2[2],R2[3],R2[4],R2[5],M[8],M[10],delta[11],delta[10]);
    step(R2[5],R2[6],R2[7],R2[0],R2[1],R2[2],R2[3],R2[4],M[3],M[4],delta[9],delta[8]);
    step(R2[4],R2[5],R2[6],R2[7],R2[0],R2[1],R2[2],R2[3],M[2],M[13],delta[7],delta[6]);
    step(R2[3],R2[4],R2[5],R2[6],R2[7],R2[0],R2[1],R2[2],M[0],M[5],delta[5],delta[4]);
    step(R2[2],R2[3],R2[4],R2[5],R2[6],R2[7],R2[0],R2[1],M[6],M[7],delta[3],delta[2]);
    step(R2[1],R2[2],R2[3],R2[4],R2[5],R2[6],R2[7],R2[0],M[12],M[1],delta[1],delta[0]);

    // BRANCH3(CV,M)
    step(R3[0],R3[1],R3[2],R3[3],R3[4],R3[5],R3[6],R3[7],M[7],M[6],delta[1],delta[0]);
    step(R3[7],R3[0],R3[1],R3[2],R3[3],R3[4],R3[5],R3[6],M[10],M[14],delta[3],delta[2]);
    step(R3[6],R3[7],R3[0],R3[1],R3[2],R3[3],R3[4],R3[5],M[13],M[2],delta[5],delta[4]);
    step(R3[5],R3[6],R3[7],R3[0],R3[1],R3[2],R3[3],R3[4],M[9],M[12],delta[7],delta[6]);
    step(R3[4],R3[5],R3[6],R3[7],R3[0],R3[1],R3[2],R3[3],M[11],M[4],delta[9],delta[8]);
    step(R3[3],R3[4],R3[5],R3[6],R3[7],R3[0],R3[1],R3[2],M[15],M[8],delta[11],delta[10]);
    step(R3[2],R3[3],R3[4],R3[5],R3[6],R3[7],R3[0],R3[1],M[5],M[0],delta[13],delta[12]);
    step(R3[1],R3[2],R3[3],R3[4],R3[5],R3[6],R3[7],R3[0],M[1],M[3],delta[15],delta[14]);

    // BRANCH4(CV,M)
    step(R4[0],R4[1],R4[2],R4[3],R4[4],R4[5],R4[6],R4[7],M[5],M[12],delta[14],delta[15]);
    step(R4[7],R4[0],R4[1],R4[2],R4[3],R4[4],R4[5],R4[6],M[1],M[8],delta[12],delta[13]);
    step(R4[6],R4[7],R4[0],R4[1],R4[2],R4[3],R4[4],R4[5],M[15],M[0],delta[10],delta[11]);
    step(R4[5],R4[6],R4[7],R4[0],R4[1],R4[2],R4[3],R4[4],M[13],M[11],delta[8],delta[9]);
    step(R4[4],R4[5],R4[6],R4[7],R4[0],R4[1],R4[2],R4[3],M[3],M[10],delta[6],delta[7]);
    step(R4[3],R4[4],R4[5],R4[6],R4[7],R4[0],R4[1],R4[2],M[9],M[2],delta[4],delta[5]);
    step(R4[2],R4[3],R4[4],R4[5],R4[6],R4[7],R4[0],R4[1],M[7],M[14],delta[2],delta[3]);
    step(R4[1],R4[2],R4[3],R4[4],R4[5],R4[6],R4[7],R4[0],M[4],M[6],delta[0],delta[1]);

    // output
    CV[0] = CV[0] + ((R1[0] + R2[0]) ^ (R3[0] + R4[0]));
    CV[1] = CV[1] + ((R1[1] + R2[1]) ^ (R3[1] + R4[1]));
    CV[2] = CV[2] + ((R1[2] + R2[2]) ^ (R3[2] + R4[2]));
    CV[3] = CV[3] + ((R1[3] + R2[3]) ^ (R3[3] + R4[3]));
    CV[4] = CV[4] + ((R1[4] + R2[4]) ^ (R3[4] + R4[4]));
}

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CV[5] = CV[5] + ((R1[5] + R2[5]) ^ (R3[5] + R4[5]));
CV[6] = CV[6] + ((R1[6] + R2[6]) ^ (R3[6] + R4[6]));
CV[7] = CV[7] + ((R1[7] + R2[7]) ^ (R3[7] + R4[7]));
}

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6 Test Vector

Message M (1 block)

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00112233 44556677 88990011 22334455 66778899 00112233 44556677 88990011
22334455 66778899 00112233 44556677 88990011 22334455 66778899 00112233

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Output of Compression Function CV_1

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00df9461 b558ce10 43e8024c 3a10fb1e 2a8fad8d 19ed9c5d a50486cb f15365d9

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Intermediate Values

BRANCH₁

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 $R_1^{(0)} = 6a09e667\ bb67ae85\ 3c6ef372\ a54ff53a\ 510e527f\ 9b05688c\ 1f83d9ab\ 5be0cd19$ 
 $R_1^{(1)} = 3649eb59\ aca53832\ f86e9458\ 027900e6\ 12a7c39a\ 069af87\ a56a62d9\ 32c60535$ 
 $R_1^{(2)} = 9cadc5fa\ 74a3e739\ 4b45db72\ bca9ab9d\ 051a6018\ 1e90e394\ 85d1a7cd\ 50b1decc$ 
 $R_1^{(3)} = aaeecd3b\ 3c7c10ee\ b119ccae\ 2109fcfd1\ 430be667\ 5f1c943c\ 4d71e261\ 0b23c125$ 
 $R_1^{(4)} = dad7c69a\ 8183b656\ 9e63767b\ 7296fc10\ 28fc226a\ 76c1454d\ 6ecaf485\ 753510ae$ 
 $R_1^{(5)} = 8fdbdfa9\ d512b587\ 89186293\ 7ffd4bbf\ cb32643c\ a1f70604\ c649076b\ ecf3ebb8$ 
 $R_1^{(6)} = 672b944b\ b41e879a\ c08ee3ab\ fe6f8df1\ 641aaada\ 64944876\ c77aa9b3\ 01edfc9b$ 
 $R_1^{(7)} = 82aa4ea4\ 6282f1d0\ f6b34eb6\ d9cd7439\ c1e68c8f\ 072ca12d\ 64de2504\ f64ac991$ 
 $R_1^{(8)} = 62363776\ 84fddde4\ 50791ee4\ 7f50dc6d\ b9fef233\ 8393a036\ 47d99fac\ 8dd26400$ 

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BRANCH₂

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 $R_2^{(0)} = 6a09e667\ bb67ae85\ 3c6ef372\ a54ff53a\ 510e527f\ 9b05688c\ 1f83d9ab\ 5be0cd19$ 
 $R_2^{(1)} = 6bb63387\ 921d6074\ 1cecbabd\ b83cead8\ 8fb53ea8\ ecfb7b59\ 4049552f\ d7936836$ 
 $R_2^{(2)} = 215a8d67\ 30ea4bfc\ 1b91fda8\ edfed2b8\ 8a9a5004\ 68eb24b5\ 595eb921\ f2958a97$ 
 $R_2^{(3)} = a252aee9\ 989a4f7f\ 7a39eaf3\ dbb25dc4\ 9bd57b3d\ aedcf7f5\ b7502553\ b4d67937$ 
 $R_2^{(4)} = 05b04ecc\ d7094e45\ b39e0e1b\ 35511591\ 2c37d37c\ da54ae6e\ 7fa87ed3\ c61d3a7e$ 
 $R_2^{(5)} = 5323c97c\ 3965adb2\ 9c5f11d4\ 423c0f00\ 26db49c9\ e0aa9a75\ 70985775\ 3350f9fc$ 
 $R_2^{(6)} = 59d7fdb0\ ad25fda0\ 95e0931a\ 8070fc92\ 81defdf9\ 60432e57\ 291a578b\ f87cc723$ 
 $R_2^{(7)} = 2da2cc51\ 87e33fcc\ bdf5bdb0\ 80ae063d\ a66ce60b\ c038f9d9\ baa73962\ 8eef71ee$ 
 $R_2^{(8)} = a5e62d2c\ 277310f3\ cd9e88e8\ 9fdb0920\ 1e217775\ 2d4c7c1a\ 4c728465\ de58849a$ 

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 $R_3^{(0)} = 6a09e667\ bb67ae85\ 3c6ef372\ a54ff53a\ 510e527f\ 9b05688c\ 1f83d9ab\ 5be0cd19$ 
 $R_3^{(1)} = 4e0cf14c\ 63da2b09\ 0173369f\ 31752e3d\ 8152cd34\ d7ede88e\ a56a62d9\ 27be402f$ 
 $R_3^{(2)} = 8efb95fe\ 37d3ef24\ 21ab6fff4\ 2fa47884\ 9ccf2554\ 9d8b519c\ 3f1e16e1\ 0f4290a1$ 
 $R_3^{(3)} = a47d318e\ 0b1fec44\ 7962633a\ e33db5bc\ 34965ea3\ 5ebec7c0\ f8c0f955\ 37606b0a$ 
 $R_3^{(4)} = 8ed18eff\ b61118fc\ 7ad086d0\ 3b5a4940\ 93dcda6f\ 4f6ee158\ 1ac5cf6f\ 25418737$ 
 $R_3^{(5)} = 3bc564e5\ e5aa506f\ 9519c452\ c162be4c\ 82a0ebf3\ d25c0da0\ 15e12fa3\ 9c46c52e$ 
 $R_3^{(6)} = d2b9f10a\ 90e304db\ 9f2e7f3a\ a2b40c88\ af77cec2\ c905b606\ 32120a9a\ 37dfe841$ 
 $R_3^{(7)} = 563ad18d\ 53a9c53b\ 46a6a79c\ 0ba681fa\ caa43cc8\ 22474e69\ c9653253\ f96c083b$ 
 $R_3^{(8)} = ed33ab54\ 5c2c2978\ f5f0b9c7\ 7fd9061c\ 70563438\ 88b387c4\ 6d950b4e\ 4cc746de$ 

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 $R_4^{(0)} = 6a09e667\ bb67ae85\ 3c6ef372\ a54ff53a\ 510e527f\ 9b05688c\ 1f83d9ab\ 5be0cd19$ 
 $R_4^{(1)} = c0f34804\ 05f70f41\ f86e9458\ 614ddaf3\ a68d05f3\ 9b434404\ c8012e0d\ 9af91631$ 
 $R_4^{(2)} = 6bd67d34\ 78070bef\ 905678ed\ 7fd52b9f\ 7d34ee11\ 499efc46\ d4ba32b4\ 96498ce5$ 
 $R_4^{(3)} = 55bad24e\ 90192525\ 1712225e\ 348f8cf9\ bfbaa4c8\ d2528e07\ 9ae3ba60\ f523d0d8$ 
 $R_4^{(4)} = f2d5eb7d\ 4ff5c13b\ f71a0306\ 0cbb072c\ a4abf013\ 16936640\ 547042ae\ 0ed6a9a7$ 
 $R_4^{(5)} = 24cbd68a\ a748b276\ 623e2d63\ 32707b8e\ f1396af2\ 4fd9711b\ 6602f570\ e2c6a14f$ 
 $R_4^{(6)} = c5c85384\ c49a217e\ fdf132f1\ fc4e46ae\ 97c56789\ d3c37cf4\ d9d4beac\ 7efa6f0e$ 
 $R_4^{(7)} = 50540fb3\ 04224f64\ 12731fb7\ 2295e568\ 8fc7fcb5\ e7f2cbc7\ 6e0bf871\ 113634f8$ 
 $R_4^{(8)} = b1961e04\ f955c7e4\ 237def4f\ 0bf3da4d\ 914afe6e\ 4554a7bd\ a4377de3\ ac91297c$ 

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7 Erratum in FSE 2006 version of FORK-256

The figure of the step function in [1] is totally wrong, but that in the preproceeding version of FSE 2006 is correct. Please be careful for referring to them.

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