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Quantum rebound attacks on reduced-round ARIA-based hash functions

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Abstract

ARIA is a block cipher proposed by Kwon et al. at ICISC 2003 that is widely used as the national standard block cipher in the Republic of Korea. Herein, we identify some flaws in the quantum rebound attack on seven-round ARIA-DM proposed by Dou et al. and reveal that the limit of this attack is up to five rounds. Our revised attack applies to not only ARIA-DM but also ARIA-MMO and **ARIA-MP** among the **PGV** models, and it is valid for all ARIA key lengths. Furthermore, we present dedicated quantum rebound attacks on seven-round ARIA-Hirose and ARIA-MJH for the first time. These attacks are only valid for the 256-bit key length of ARIA because they are constructed using the degrees of freedom in the key schedule. All our attacks are faster than the generic quantum attack in the cost metric of the time-space tradeoff.

KEYWORDS

ARIA, block cipher-based hash function, quantum attack, rebound attack, symmetric key cryptography

INTRODUCTION 1

ARIA [1, 2] is an iterative substitution permutation network (SPN) block cipher similar to AES [3] that supports a 128-bit block size and 128-, 192-, and 256-bit key lengths. Depending on the key lengths, it uses 12, 14, or 16 rounds. ARIA was presented by Kwon et al. at ICISC 2003 and was standardized by the Korean Agency for Technology and Standards. ARIA is described by RFC 5794 [4] and has been supported by the Transport Layer Security protocol since 2011 [5]. Since its development, the security of ARIA has been scrutinized by several cryptographers, and its full-round security has been breached only by the use of the biclique attack, which is only slightly faster than brute force attacks.

Post-quantum cryptography received considerable research attention after Shor's seminal work [6], and NIST is in the process of selecting next-generation publickey schemes [7]. Quantum computers have significantly influenced symmetric key schemes and hash functions, mainly by using Simon and Grover's algorithms [8, 9]. In particular, Grover's algorithm allows quantum computers to perform an exhaustive search on symmetric key schemes and hash functions with quadratic speedup over the classical approach. Since 2015, the cryptography community has conducted extensive groundbreaking research, both theoretical and practical, including the analysis of block ciphers [10–13], hash functions [14–17], and permutations [18, 19].

In a classical setting, the generic complexity required to find a collision of an *n*-bit hash function is $O(2^{n/2})$ according to the birthday paradox. In a quantum setting, the generic complexity of finding collisions depends on the settings for the resources available to the attacker.

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The BHT algorithm [20] finds collisions with a query complexity of $O(2^{n/3})$ when quantum random access memory (qRAM) of $O(2^{n/3})$ is available. However, given the current state of development of quantum computers, it is highly probable that large qRAM will not be realized in the near future. A more realistic algorithm is the CNS algorithm proposed in 2017 by Chailloux et al. [21], which uses large classical memory rather than large qRAM. This CNS algorithm finds collisions with a classical memory of $O(2^{n/5})$, a query complexity of $O(2^{2n/5})$, and a quantum memory of only O(n). In both settings, the parallel rho method [22] gives the tradeoff time complexity $T = 2^{n/2}/S$ when finding collisions.

1.1 | Related works

Hosoyamada and Sasaki [16] proposed a novel approach at Eurocrypt 2020, which showed that differential trails with probabilities too low to be used for a rebound attack on hash functions in a classical setting are available in a quantum setting. They proposed quantum collision attacks on Matyas–Meyer–Oseas (MMO) and Miyaguchi– Preneel (MP) compression functions instantiated with AES that covered more rounds than those in a classical setting. Later, Dong et al. [15] improved the attacks on AES-MMO by significantly reducing the qRAM required for the attack. In ToSC 2021, quantum collision attacks on HCF-AES-256 and Simpira v2 were also proposed [14, 19].

Dou et al. [23] proposed the first quantum rebound attack on the Davies–Meyer (DM) compression function when the underlying block cipher is instantiated with ARIA. Their attack was carried out by exploiting the degrees of freedom in states, and the probability of finding collisions was calculated considering the feedforward operation. However, the complexity of finding collisions was inferior to the cost metric in any quantum setting currently considered, and the processes of constructing the attack using the degrees of freedom in the states were incorrect. Motivated by the work published in Hosoyamada and Sasaki [16], we revised the above issues in detail and accordingly present attacks that are faster than the generic attacks in the cost metric of the timespace tradeoff. We also explored algorithms for finding collisions with a quantum version of the rebound attack in several double block length (DBL) hash functions.

1.2 | Contributions of this work

In this study, we describe quantum rebound attacks on **PGV**, **Hirose**, and **MJH** instantiated with ARIA. For **PGV** models, **DM**, **MMO**, and **MP**, primarily, constructions are analyzed. Considering the structure of each compression function, our attack targets are divided into two categories: **PGV** (single block length [SBL] hash functions) and **Hirose** and **MJH** (DBL hash functions). We refer to the **PGV** hash functions as **ARIA-DM**, **ARIA-MMO**, and **ARIA-MP**, and to the **Hirose/MJH** hash functions as **ARIA-Hirose** and **ARIA-MJH**.

We revised some issues with Dou et al.'s seven-round quantum rebound attack on **ARIA-DM** and found that the attack is possible in up to five rounds with some improved techniques, such as two inbound phases and connection phase. This attack can also be applied to **ARIA-MMO** and **ARIA-MP** with the same attack complexity as before. When *S* quantum computers are available, the attack complexity is about $2^{56.61}/\sqrt{S}$. As the generic attack complexity under the time-space metric is $2^{64}/S$, our attack is faster than the generic attack when $S < 2^{14.78}$.

We also extended the five-round differential trail to seven rounds. Our trail is constructed by exploiting 2^{128} degrees of freedom, which are only available in ARIA-256, and is mounted to find collisions of DBL hash functions, e.g., **Hirose** and **MJH**. When *S* quantum computers are available, the attack complexity is about $2^{119.83}/\sqrt{S}$ and $2^{119.67}/\sqrt{S}$, where $S < 2^{16.34}$ and $S < 2^{16.66}$ for **Hirose** and **MJH**, respectively.

Table 1 shows the details of the attack complexities on different targets.

Т	A	B	L	Е	1	Attack results.
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Target	Construction	Rounds	Туре	Complexity	Reference
ARIA-DM	SBL	5	Free-start collision	$2^{56.61}/\sqrt{S}$	Section 3 ^a
ARIA-MMO	SBL	5	Collision	$2^{56.61}/\sqrt{S}$	Section 3 ^a
ARIA-MP	SBL	5	Collision	$2^{56.61}/\sqrt{S}$	Section 3 ^a
ARIA-Hirose	DBL	7	Free-start collision	$2^{119.83}/\sqrt{S}$	Section 4
ARIA-MJH	DBL	7	Semi-free-start collision	$2^{119.67}/\sqrt{S}$	Section 4

Note: S denotes the size of the quantum computer in qubits.

^aIn Dou et al. [23], an attack on reduced-round **ARIA-DM** was proposed. However, there were some flaws regarding the validity of the attack process and complexity, which we consider in Section 3.

1.3 | Paper structure

Section 2 describes ARIA, our attack target block cipherbased hash functions, and basic quantum computation. Section 3 briefly describes the rebound attack, the previous quantum rebound attack on seven-round **ARIA-DM**, and our revised quantum rebound attacks on five-round **ARIA-DM**, **ARIA-MMO**, and **ARIA-MP**. Section 4 provides a new differential trail for seven-round ARIA and shows that it can be used to find collisions of DBL hash functions. Section 5 presents conclusions.

2 | PRELIMINARIES

Herein, we briefly describe ARIA, our attack target block cipher-based hash functions, and the basic quantum computation required for our attacks.

2.1 | ARIA

ARIA is a 128-bit block cipher with an SPN structure. The wide trail strategy of AES is used throughout its algorithm. ARIA can be used with three different key lengths: 128-, 192-, and 256-bit. Its number of rounds depends on the key length, with 12, 14, and 16 rounds for ARIA-128, ARIA-192, and ARIA-256, respectively. All states of the algorithm are treated as 4×4 matrices with elements in $GF(2^8)$ (Figure 1).

The round function of ARIA first applies a round key addition (RKA), followed by a substitution layer (SL), and then a diffusion layer (DL). An *R*-round ARIA repeats the round function R-1 times, and, in the last round, the diffusion layer is replaced with round key addition, which is the post-whitening key. The round function operations of ARIA are described as follows.

2.1.1 | RKA

The internal state is XORed with a 128-bit round key. The round keys are deduced from the master key via a key scheduling algorithm, which is described later in this section.

x_0	<i>x</i> ₄	<i>x</i> ₈	<i>x</i> ₁₂
x_1	<i>x</i> ₅	<i>x</i> ₉	<i>x</i> ₁₃
<i>x</i> ₂	<i>x</i> ₆	x_{10}	<i>x</i> ₁₄
<i>x</i> ₃	<i>x</i> ₇	<i>x</i> ₁₁	<i>x</i> ₁₅

FIGURE 1 ARIA byte ordering.

2.1.2 | SL

A nonlinear 8-bit to 8-bit S-box is applied to each byte of the state. ARIA uses four S-boxes S_1 and S_2 and their inverses S_1^{-1} and S_2^{-1} , respectively, where S_1 is the same as that of AES. In odd rounds, the S-boxes are applied column-wise in the order $(S_1, S_2, S_1^{-1}, S_2^{-1})$, whereas in even rounds, they are applied in the order $(S_1^{-1}, S_2^{-1}, S_1, S_2)$. Figure 2 describes the difference in SLs in odd and even rounds.

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2.1.3 | DL

The internal state is multiplied by the involution binary matrix with a branch number of eight; hence, the difference propagation over DL has the minimum branch number of eight. Given the input state x_is , the output state y_is of the DL operation is computed as follows:

(y_0)		$(^{0})$	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	$\langle x_0 \rangle$	
<i>y</i> ₁		0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	x_1	
<i>y</i> ₂		0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	<i>x</i> ₂	
<i>y</i> ₃		1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	<i>x</i> ₃	
<i>y</i> ₄		1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	<i>x</i> ₄	
<i>y</i> ₅		0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	x_5	
<i>y</i> ₆		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	<i>x</i> ₆	
<i>y</i> ₇	_	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	<i>x</i> ₇	
<i>y</i> ₈	=	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	x_8	
<i>y</i> 9		1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	<i>x</i> 9	
<i>y</i> ₁₀		0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	x_{10}	
<i>y</i> ₁₁		0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	<i>x</i> ₁₁	
<i>y</i> ₁₂		0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	<i>x</i> ₁₂	
<i>y</i> ₁₃		1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	<i>x</i> ₁₃	
<i>y</i> ₁₄		1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	<i>x</i> ₁₄	
$\langle y_{15} \rangle$		/0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1/	$\langle x_{15} \rangle$	

2.1.4 | Key schedule

The key schedule algorithm of ARIA takes the master key *MK* as input and outputs with 13, 15, or 17 128-bit round keys for ARIA-128, ARIA-192, and ARIA-256,

<i>S</i> ₁	S_1	<i>S</i> ₁	S_1		S_{1}^{-1}	S_{1}^{-1}	S_{1}^{-1}	S_{1}^{-1}
<i>S</i> ₂	S_2	S_2	S_2		S_2^{-1}	S_2^{-1}	S_2^{-1}	S_2^{-1}
S_{1}^{-1}	S_1^{-1}	S_1^{-1}	S_{1}^{-1}		S_1	S_1	S_1	S_1
S_2^{-1}	S_2^{-1}	S_2^{-1}	S_2^{-1}		<i>S</i> ₂	<i>S</i> ₂	S_2	S_2
(A)						(I	3)	

FIGURE 2 Two types of substitution layer (SL): (A) SL in odd rounds, (B) SL in even rounds.

respectively. First, *MK* is divided into two 128-bit values, that is, *KL* and *KR*. *KL* presents the leftmost 128-bits of *MK*, and *KR* presents the remaining bits. If necessary, all or part of *KR* is right-padded with zeros. Then, using a three-round 256-bit Feistel structure, W_0, W_1, W_2 , and W_3 are generated from *MK* as follows:

 $W_0 = KL,$ $W_1 = F_o(W_0, CK_1) \oplus KR,$ $W_2 = F_e(W_1, CK_2) \oplus W_0,$ $W_3 = F_o(W_2, CK_3) \oplus W_1,$

where F_o and F_e denote the odd and even round functions of ARIA, respectively, thereby replacing the RKA operation with predefined constants (CK_1, CK_2 , and CK_3) addition. The key schedule algorithm is approximated by $16 \times 3 = 48$ S-box computations. The 17 round keys are generated from W_0, W_1, W_2 , and W_3 as follows:

$$\begin{split} &k_1 = (W_0) \oplus (W_1 \ggg 19), &k_2 = (W_1) \oplus (W_2 \ggg 19), \\ &k_3 = (W_2) \oplus (W_3 \ggg 19), &k_4 = (W_0 \ggg 19) \oplus (W_3), \\ &k_5 = (W_0) \oplus (W_1 \ggg 31), &k_6 = (W_1) \oplus (W_2 \ggg 31), \\ &k_7 = (W_2) \oplus (W_3 \ggg 31), &k_8 = (W_0 \ggg 31) \oplus (W_3), \\ &k_9 = (W_0) \oplus (W_1 \ggg 61), &k_{10} = (W_1) \oplus (W_2 \lll 61), \\ &k_{11} = (W_2) \oplus (W_3 \ggg 61), &k_{12} = (W_0 \lll 61) \oplus (W_3), \\ &k_{13} = (W_0) \oplus (W_1 \lll 31), &k_{14} = (W_1) \oplus (W_2 \lll 31), \\ &k_{15} = (W_2) \oplus (W_3 \lll 31), &k_{16} = (W_0 \lll 31) \oplus (W_3), \\ &k_{17} = (W_0) \oplus (W_1 \lll 19). \end{split}$$

2.2 | Selected provably secure block cipher-based hash functions

In this section, we briefly describe the **PGV** [24] compression functions of the SBL hash functions (**DM**, **MMO**, and **MP**), and the compression functions of the DBL hash functions (**Hirose** [25] and **MJH** [26]). The **PGV** models proposed by Preneel et al. in 1993 are typical SBL hash functions. They originally considered 64 block cipher-based hash functions. Subsequently, 12 of these models were demonstrated to be provably secure [27]. The **Hirose** compression function was proposed by Hirose, and the **MJH** compression function was proposed by Lee and Stam, both of which are also provably secure.

Let $E: \{0,1\}^n \times \{0,1\}^k \to \{0,1\}^n$ be an *n*-bit keyed block cipher. SBL hash functions call *E* once to generate the hash value of message M_i , and we denote the chaining variables by H_i . The DBL hash functions call *E* twice to generate the hash value of message M_i , and we denote the chaining variables by (G_i, H_i) . For **MJH**, we define the additionally used function θ as $\theta(x) := k \cdot x$, where *k* is a nonzero constant, and \cdot indicates a multiplication in \mathbb{F}_{2^n} ; additionally, we divide M_i into M_i^1 and $M_i^2(M_i = M_i^1 || M_i^2)$. The involution function σ commonly used in the **Hirose** and **MJH** compression functions is defined as $\sigma(x) := x \oplus c$, where *c* is a nonzero constant. σ is the nonfixed point involution function. The *i*th compression functions of the SBL and DBL hash functions are described in Figure 3.

2.3 | Quantum computation

We use the standard quantum circuit model as the quantum computation model, and we adopt $\{H, CNOT, T\}$ (Clifford+*T* gates) as a basic set of quantum gates [28]. *H* is the single qubit Hadamard gate defined by *H*: $|b\rangle \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + (-1)^{b}|1\rangle)$, *CNOT* is the two-qubit controlled *NOT* gate defined by *CNOT*: $|a\rangle|b\rangle \mapsto |a\rangle|b\oplus a\rangle$, and *T* is the single qubit $\pi/8$ gate defined by $T: |0\rangle \mapsto |0\rangle$ and $T: |1\rangle \mapsto e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}}|1\rangle$. We denote the identity operator on *n*-qubit states as I_n .

2.3.1 | Quantum oracle

Consider the Boolean function $f: \{0,1\}^n \to \{0,1\}$. The quantum oracle of f is modeled by the unitary operator \mathcal{U}_f , which is defined as $\mathcal{U}_f: |x\rangle| q \mapsto |x\rangle| q \oplus f(x)\rangle$, where $x \in \{0,1\}^n$ and $q \in \{0,1\}$. \mathcal{U}_f works on (n+1)-qubits, and the oracle qubit $|q\rangle$ is flipped when f(x) = 1; otherwise, it is unchanged. If there is an efficient reversible classical circuit that computes f, \mathcal{U}_f can also be efficiently implemented in a quantum circuit. To construct the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_f , we first construct an efficient reversible classical circuit of f and substitute it with quantum gates. This

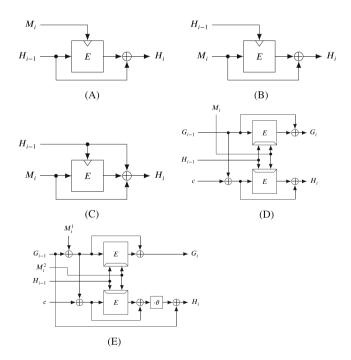


FIGURE 3 The i^{th} compression functions of SBL and DBL hash functions: (A) DM, (B) MMO, (C) MP, (D) Hirose, (E) MJH.

makes it possible to uncompute temporary qubits after use.

2.3.2 | Grover's algorithm

Grover's algorithm [8] is a quantum search algorithm that can provide quadratic speedup over brute force when finding desired data from an unstructured database. Consider the following problem.

Problem 1. Let $f: \{0,1\}^n \to \{0,1\}$ be a Boolean function such that $v := |f^{-1}(1)| > 0$ and let f be a black box. Find x such that f(x) = 1.

We define the probability of obtaining the solution x as $p:=\nu/2^n$. In a classical setting, we have to make O(1/p) classical queries to find x that satisfies f(x) = 1. In a quantum setting, we apply Grover's algorithm to find the solution x by making only $O(\sqrt{1/p})$ quantum queries. That is, when used on quantum computers, Grover's algorithm achieves a quadratic speedup, unlike classical algorithms.

To explain in more detail, assume that there is a quantum circuit that performs the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_f in time $T_{\mathcal{U}_f}$. Then, Grover's algorithm finds x in time $T_{\mathcal{U}_f} \cdot (\pi/4) \cdot \sqrt{1/p}$. Grover's algorithm on a function f runs the following procedure.

1. Using the Hadamard gates, prepare the following initial state.

$$|\psi_{init}\rangle := H^{\otimes (n+1)}|0^n\rangle|1\rangle$$

- 2. Set θ to a value that satisfies $\sin^2 \theta = p$ and $0 \le \theta \le \pi/2$. After setting $i := \lfloor \pi/4\theta \rfloor$, define $\mathcal{D}_f := (H^{\otimes n} \otimes I_1)(\mathcal{O}_0 \otimes I_1)(H^{\otimes n} \otimes I_1)$ as the *diffusion opera tor*. Here, $\mathcal{O}_0|0\rangle = (-1)^{\Delta_{x,0^n}}|x\rangle$ holds, where $\Delta_{x,y}$ is the Kronecker delta satisfying $\Delta_{x,y} = 1$ if x = y; otherwise, $\Delta_{x,y} = 0$. Then, perform the unitary operator $\mathcal{O}_f := -\mathcal{D}_f \mathcal{U}_f$ iteratively *i* times for $|\psi_{init}\rangle$. We define \mathcal{O}_f as the *Grover operator* of *f*.
- 3. Measure the resulting state of $(\mathcal{O}_f)^i | \psi_{init} \rangle$ and output the most significant *n* bits.

In Step 2, if the Grover operator \mathcal{O}_f is repeatedly applied to $|\psi_{init}\rangle$, the amplitude of the solution *x* is increased. To measure the exact complexity of Grover's algorithm, we need to accurately measure the complexity of \mathcal{U}_f . We elaborate on this analysis in Sections 3 and 4.

Boyer et al. [29] found that when the number of iterations of Grover's algorithm, *i*, is set to $\lfloor \pi/4\theta \rfloor$, the probability of finding *x* such that f(x) = 1 is at least 1 - p. In addition, we could consider the parallelization of ETRI Journal-WILEY

Grover's algorithm. When the size of \mathcal{U}_f is S_f , and $S(\geq S_f)$ quantum computers are available, each computer can execute Grover's algorithm in parallel, where the number of iterations of Grover's algorithm is $\lfloor \pi/4\theta \sqrt{S/S_f} \rfloor$. Then, we can find the solution in time $T_{\mathcal{U}_f} \cdot (\pi/4) \cdot \sqrt{S_f/(p \cdot S)}$ with a probability of at least $1 - 1/e \approx 0.63$ [17].

2.4 | Dedicated quantum collision attacks

Following Hosoyamada and Sasaki's dedicated quantum collision attacks on AES hashing modes [16], further dedicated quantum attacks on AES hashing modes [15], **Hirose** [14], **Gimli** [18], **SHA-2** [17], and **Simpira v2** [19] were proposed. These attacks showed that an attacker with access to quantum computers can break more rounds of hash functions than a single attacker using only classical computers. In a classical setting, the generic attack complexity of finding collisions of an *n*-bit ideal hash function is $O(2^{n/2})$ according to the birthday paradox. In a quantum setting, the generic attack complexity of finding collisions depends on the resources that the attacker can access, and the cryptology community is currently considering the following three quantum settings.

- The attacker can use a polynomially small quantum computer and an exponentially large qRAM.
- The attacker can use a polynomially small quantum computer and an exponentially large classical memory.
- The efficiency of the attacker's quantum algorithms is evaluated based on their time-space tradeoff.

In the first setting, the best quantum collision finding algorithm is the BHT algorithm proposed by Brassard, Høyer, and Tapp [20]. This algorithm finds collisions in time $O(2^{n/3})$ when a qRAM of $O(2^{n/3})$ is available. In the second setting, the best quantum collision finding algorithm is the CNS algorithm proposed by Chailloux et al. [21]. This algorithm finds collisions in time $O(2^{2n/5})$ when a quantum computer of O(n) and a classical memory of $O(2^{n/5})$ are available. Note that our attacks focus on the third quantum setting, and we do not consider qubit communication costs and quantum error corrections.

2.4.1 | Time-space tradeoff as a cost metric

This setting measures attack efficiency as a tradeoff between T and S, where T is the attack time complexity, and S is the size of the hardware required for the attack. For a quantum attack, S is the size of the quantum computers. Generally, when a classical computer of size S is available, we can find the collisions of a random function

in time $T = O(2^{n/2}/S)$ using the parallel rho method [22]. Even though this algorithm was initially proposed for classical computers, it exhibits no logical flaws on application to quantum computers. Thus, we can also consider the time-space tradeoff metric as the threshold for quantum attacks. If we can construct a quantum attack that satisfies $T \cdot S < 2^{n/2}$, then the attack is valid in terms of the time-space tradeoff metric.

3 | QUANTUM REBOUND ATTACKS ON ARIA-BASED SBL HASH FUNCTIONS

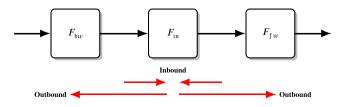
In this section, we discuss the core of the rebound attack, review the quantum rebound attack on **ARIA-DM** in [23], and present our revised quantum rebound attack on **ARIA-DM**, which can also be applied to **ARIA-MMO** and **ARIA-MP**.

3.1 | Rebound attack

The rebound attack is a hash function analysis technique first proposed by Mendel et al. [30] to attack reducedround Whirlpool and Grøstl. The core of this technique is to exploit the available degrees of freedom in an internal state and the truncated differential to fulfill the low probability part of a differential trail. This part is called the inbound phase and is usually located in the middle of the trail, followed by a probabilistic outbound phase. Generally, the differential propagation in a rebound attack is designed to be dense and sparse in the inbound and outbound phases, respectively. Figure 4 shows an overview of this attack. Here, *F* is an internal block cipher or permutation divided into three parts: F_{bw} , F_{in} , and F_{fw} .

In a quantum setting, to perform a rebound attack on a target primitive with quantum computers, we run Grover's algorithm on a Boolean function $f(\Delta_{\text{in}}, \Delta_{\text{out}})$, defined as $f(\Delta_{\text{in}}, \Delta_{\text{out}}) = 1$, if and only if we get message pairs that satisfy the following conditions.

1. For a given differential trail $\Delta_{in} \rightarrow \Delta_{out}$, obtain an input (M_1^I, M_2^I) and output pair (M_1^O, M_2^O) that conform to the trail, where (M_1^I, M_2^I) and (M_1^O, M_2^O) are called *starting points*.



2. By propagating (M_1^I, M_2^I) and (M_1^O, M_2^O) to the beginning (F_{bw}) and end (F_{fw}) of the cipher, respectively, check whether the differential transformations of the given differential trail are satisfied.

If the probability of a differential trail that excludes the probability of the inbound phase is p, we must produce 1/p starting points such that at least one pair follows the differential trail for the outbound phase. For this approach to work, the available degrees of freedom should be larger than 1/p.

3.2 | Quantum rebound attack of Dou and others on ARIA-DM

Dou et al. proposed a quantum rebound attack on ARIA-DM that covers seven rounds. They used the degrees of freedom in the states for the attack and calculated the probability of finding collisions considering the feedforward operation. The algorithm of the quantum rebound attack, as described in Dou and others [23], is summarized as follows (Figure 5).

- 1. For each of the 2^{56} values of ΔY_3 and ΔZ_4 , find the actual pairs of Y_3 and Z_4 by applying Grover's algorithm.
- 2. For the desired differences ΔX_3 and ΔY_5 , check whether $\mathrm{SL}^{-1}(Y_3) \oplus \mathrm{SL}^{-1}(Y_3 \oplus \Delta Y_3) = \Delta X_3$ holds for Y_3 and ΔY_3 and whether $\mathrm{SL}(Z_4 \oplus k_5) \oplus$ $\mathrm{SL}(Z_4 \oplus \Delta Z_4 \oplus k_5) = \Delta Y_5$ holds for Z_4 and ΔZ_4 .
- After propagating (X₃,X₃⊕ΔX₃) and (Y₅, Y₅⊕ΔY₅) to the beginning (F_{bw}) and end (F_{fw}) of the cipher, check whether the difference cancelation occurs in the feedforward operation.

The white and gray boxes denote zero and nonzero differences, respectively.

3.2.1 | Implausibility of Dou et al.'s attack

Three issues arise in Dou et al.'s attack. First, the complexity of finding collisions is inferior to the cost metric of any quantum setting currently considered. According to Dou et al. [23], the probabilities of satisfying Steps 2 and 3 are about 2^{-112} and 2^{-56} , respectively. Thus, even if the complexity of the inbound phase is not considered, the complexity of finding collisions is about $2^{84} (= \sqrt{2^{112 \times 56}})$, which is inferior to the generic attack complexity of the three quantum settings in Section 2. In particular, the probability of 2^{-112} in Step 2 can be improved to 2^{-96} ; however, this improvement does not make their attack faster than generic attacks in quantum

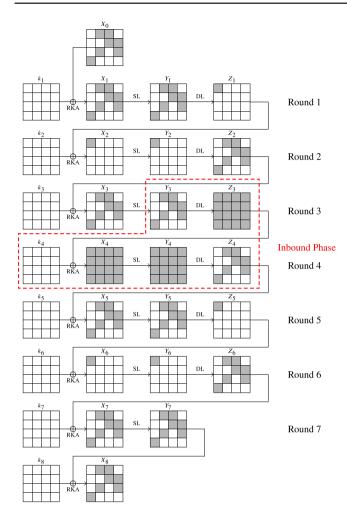


FIGURE 5 Quantum rebound attack on seven-round **ARIA**-**DM** by Dou and others.

settings. Second, the calculation of the available degrees of freedom they performed was incorrect. The degrees of freedom in the states that would be required to perform their attack are greater than 2¹⁶⁸, although they insisted that 2¹⁶⁸ degrees of freedom could be obtained from the triple $(\Delta Y_3, \Delta Z_4, \Delta X_5)$. However, considering the differential trail, if ΔZ_4 is determined, ΔX_5 is determined accordingly. Therefore, there are only 2¹¹² degrees of freedom that could be obtained from the triple $(\Delta Y_3, \Delta Z_4, \Delta X_5)$, and in fact, the attack is invalid. Third, the calculation of the inbound phase was not described accurately. The authors argued that by applying Grover's algorithm in Step 1, they could find compatible starting points Y_3 and Z_4 for ΔY_3 and ΔZ_4 , respectively. However, they did not describe the detailed process of finding the starting points using Grover's algorithm and calculating the required complexity. For a more accurate and improved complexity estimation, we could apply Grover's algorithm to each S-box to find a matching starting point. Note that this approach is not considered in this study. For precise cryptanalysis, all of these issues should be resolved.

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3.3 | Revised attack on five-round ARIA-DM, ARIA-MMO, and ARIA-MP

In this section, we describe our revised quantum rebound attacks on five-round **ARIA-DM**, **ARIA-MMO**, and **ARIA-MP**, which are valid for all key lengths of ARIA. We performed a thorough analysis and found that a quantum attack that is superior to the generic attack complexity of a quantum setting could be constructed up to five rounds but not seven rounds. Our attacks are faster than the generic attack in the cost metric of the time-space tradeoff and slower than the generic attacks in other quantum settings. For **ARIA-DM**, our quantum rebound attack is used to find free-start collisions, whereas for **ARIA-MMO** and **ARIA-MP**, it finds collisions. As all attack processes are applied equally to the three structures, we focus on **ARIA-DM**.

3.3.1 | Implementation of f

The core of our attack is to force the element of interest in our search space to stand out among the other entries by applying Grover's algorithm. We denote the inputoutput difference pair of the inbound phase (Figure 6) by $(\Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out})$, where $\Delta_{in} = \Delta Y_2$ and $\Delta_{out} = \Delta Z_3$. As the attack requires 2^{104} degrees of freedom, we consider Δ_{out} as an element of \mathbb{F}_2^{48} . First, we define a Boolean function:

$$f: \mathbb{F}_2^{56} \times \mathbb{F}_2^{48} \to \mathbb{F}_2, \tag{1}$$

where $f(\Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out}) = 1$ holds if and only if the starting point computed with $(\Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out})$ satisfies the following conditions.

- 1. The starting point $(X_3, X_3 \oplus \Delta X_3)$ satisfies the differential transformations of part F_{bw} .
- 2. The starting point $(X_3, X_3 \oplus \Delta X_3)$ satisfies the differential transformations of part F_{fw} .

If $f(\Delta_{\text{in}}, \Delta_{\text{out}}) = 1$ holds, we can compute an input pair (H_0, H'_0) that produces collisions. We only use a fraction of the degrees of freedom that Δ_{out} has and, on average, expect that there is one starting point $(X_3, X_3 \oplus \Delta X_3)$ for each $(\Delta_{\text{in}}, \Delta_{\text{out}})$.

For a given $(\Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out})$, the function $f(\Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out})$ can be computed using a classical computer as follows.

- 1. Compute the differences $(\Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i)$ $(0 \le i < 16)$ from $(\Delta Y_2, \Delta Z_3)$ in round 3, where $\Delta Y_2 = \Delta_{in}$ and $\Delta Z_3 = \Delta_{out}$.
- 2. Given the obtained differences, solve the following equation and find one X_3^i on average for each active S-box S_3^i ($0 \le i < 16$):

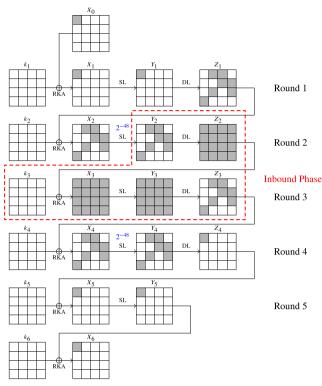


FIGURE 6 Our quantum rebound attack on five-round **ARIA-DM**.

$$S_3^i(X_3^i) \oplus S_3^i(X_3^i \oplus \Delta X_3^i) = \Delta Y_3^i.$$
⁽²⁾

Then, set $X_3^0 = \min\{X_3^0, X_3^0 \oplus \Delta X_3^0\}$, and similarly set $X_3^1, X_3^2, ..., X_3^{15}$. With this process, the starting point $X_3 = (X_3^0, X_3^1, ..., X_3^{15})$ is constructed. If there are no admissible values for the pair ($\Delta X_3, \Delta Y_3$), then return to Step 1.

Propagate the starting point (X₃,X₃⊕ΔX₃) obtained in Step 2 to the beginning and end of the cipher, and check whether the differential transformations of the differential trail are satisfied. If yes, f(Δ_{in}, Δ_{out}) returns 1; else, it returns 0.

In the $F_{\rm bw}$ process of Step 3, for Y_1 to be active only in the 0th byte, the differences of all active bytes of $X_2(={\rm SL}^{-1}(Y_2))$ must be the same. In Dou and others [23], this probability was calculated as 2^{-56} , but it should be corrected to $2^{(-8)\cdot7} \times (2^8 - 1) \approx 2^{-48}$ because there are $2^8 - 1$ differences that can be equal. This point is equally applied in $F_{\rm fw}$, and the probability of the outbound phase is 2^{-104} considering the feedforward operation. This is why we set the degrees of freedom to 2^{104} in this attack. By applying Grover's algorithm to the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_f , which maps $|\Delta_{\rm in}, \Delta_{\rm out}\rangle|q\rangle$ to $|\Delta_{\rm in}, \Delta_{\rm out}\rangle|q \oplus f(\Delta_{\rm in}, \Delta_{\rm out})\rangle$, we can find collisions with about $T_{\mathcal{U}_f} \cdot (\pi/4) \cdot \sqrt{2^{104}}$ queries, where $T_{\mathcal{U}_f}$ is the time required to run the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_f . To estimate the overall complexity, we need to clarify the complexity at which \mathcal{U}_f runs.

3.3.2 | Implementation of quantum oracle U_f

Below, we describe how to implement f on quantum computers or equivalently how to implement the unitary \mathcal{U}_f : $|\Delta_{\mathrm{in}}, \Delta_{\mathrm{out}}\rangle |q\rangle \mapsto$ operator defined \mathcal{U}_f , as $|\Delta_{\rm in}, \Delta_{\rm out}\rangle |q \oplus f(\Delta_{\rm in}, \Delta_{\rm out})\rangle$. Similar to previous studies [14-16, 19], we need to define an additional function \mathcal{G}^i to implement \mathcal{U}_f . \mathcal{G}^i finds, on average, one actual input value that satisfies the input-output difference pair of each S-box S^i ($0 \le i < 16$). Specifically, \mathcal{G}^i outputs $X_3^i =$ $\min\{X_3^i, X_3^i \oplus \Delta X_3^i\}$ that satisfies $S_3^i(X_3^i) \oplus S_3^i(X_3^i \oplus \Delta X_3^i) =$ ΔY_3^i concerning the input-output difference pair $(\Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i)$ in round 3. We eliminate the requirement of qRAM to implement a differential distribution table by applying Grover's algorithm to \mathcal{G}^i . The implementation of the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_{C^i} is presented in Algorithm 1. Finally, the implementation of the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_f is presented in Algorithm 2.

Algo	prithm 1 Implementation of $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{G}^i}$	
	Input : $ \Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i; X_3^i\rangle q\rangle$	
	Output : $ \Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i; X_3^i\rangle q \oplus \mathcal{G}^i(\Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i; X_3^i)\rangle$	
1:	Set $X_3^i \leftarrow \min(X_3^i, X_3^i \oplus \Delta X_3^i)$.	
2:	if $S_3^i(X_3^i) \oplus S_3^i(X_3^i \oplus \Delta X_3^i) = \Delta Y_3^i$ then	
3:	return $ \Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i; X_3^i\rangle q \oplus 1\rangle$	
4:	else	
5:	return $ \Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i; X_3^i\rangle q\rangle$	
6:	end if	

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	Input : $ \Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out}\rangle q\rangle$ Output : $ \Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out}\rangle q \oplus f(\blacktriangle_{in}, \Delta_{out})\rangle$
1:	/* inbound phase */
2:	for $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, 15\}$ do

- 3: Compute the differences $(\Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i)$ from $(\Delta Y_2, \Delta Z_3)$, where $\Delta Y_2 = \Delta_{in}$ and $\Delta Z_3 = \Delta_{out}$.
- 4: Run $\mathcal{G}^{i}(\Delta X_{3}^{i}, \Delta Y_{3}^{i}; X_{3}^{i})$. Let $(X_{3}^{i}, X_{3}^{i} \oplus \Delta X_{3}^{i})$ be the output.
- 5: end for
- 6: Set $X_3 \leftarrow (X_3^0, \dots, X_3^{15})$ and $X'_3 \leftarrow (X_3^0 \oplus \Delta X_3^0, \dots, X_3^{15}) \oplus \Delta X_3^{15})$.
- 7: /* outbound phase */
- 8: **if** (X_3, X'_3) fulfills the differential transformations of the outbound phase **then**
- 9: return $|\Delta_{\rm in}, \Delta_{\rm out}\rangle |q \oplus 1\rangle$
- 10: **else**
- 11: return $|\Delta_{\rm in}, \Delta_{\rm out}\rangle |q\rangle$
- 12: **end if**

3.3.3 | Complexity analysis

To analyze the complexity of finding collisions, the following should be considered.

- The complexity of the computation of five-round ARIA is approximated by $16 \times (5+3) = 128$ S-box computations.
- One computation of an inverse S-box is almost the same as the computation of two S-boxes [32].
- Uncomputations are considered to free up the wires of the quantum circuit after performing U_f.

The study presented in Jaques and others [32] was originally performed on the S-box of AES. However, S_1 , that is, the S-box used in ARIA, is the same as that of AES, and S_2 is defined similarly to S_1 to be an affine transformation of the inversion function over $GF(2^8)$. Thus, we expect the complexity of S_2^{-1} to be almost twice that of S_2 .

Complexity of \mathcal{G}^i

For a given $(\Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i)$, to find X_3^i by applying Grover's algorithm to \mathcal{G}^i , we need to query $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{C}^i}$. For odd rounds, the complexity of \mathcal{G}^i depends on *i* because SL comprises the first two rows as S_1 and S_2 , and the other two rows as inverses of each S-box. As the number of queries required by Grover's algorithm is $(\pi/4) \times \sqrt{2^8} \approx 2^{3.65}$, when i =0,1,4,5,8,9,12,13 (corresponding to the first and second rows), the complexity of \mathcal{G}^i is equivalent to $2 \times (\pi/4) \times$ $\sqrt{2^8} \times (1/128) \approx 2^{-2.35}$ five-round ARIA computations, where 128 is the number of S-boxes to which the fiveround ARIA approximated. If is i =2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14, 15 (corresponding to the third and fourth rows), then the complexity of \mathcal{G}^i is equivalent to $2 \times 2 \times (\pi/4) \times \sqrt{2^8} \times (1/128) \approx 2^{-1.35}$ five-round ARIA computations. Therefore, the total complexity of \mathcal{G}^i is 8 × $2^{-2.35} + 8 \times 2^{-1.35} \approx 2^{2.23}$.

Complexity of U_f

The implementation of \mathcal{U}_f includes 16 calls of \mathcal{G}^i in Steps 2–5, which require $2^{2.23}$ five-round ARIA computations. We need to perform S-box computations from the starting point X_3 to both ends of the cipher. As there are half inverse S-boxes in the S-box layer of each round, we need $(8+8\times 2) \times 5 \times 2 \times (1/128) \approx 2^{0.9}$ five-round ARIA computations. Thus, the overall complexity of \mathcal{U}_f is $2 \times (2^{2.23} + 2^{0.9}) \approx 2^{3.71}$ five-round ARIA computations.

Overall complexity of finding collisions

First, the number of qubits (or the unit of size) required to implement DM instantiated with ARIA-128 is 256. For ARIA-192 and ARIA-256, 320 and 384 qubits are required, respectively. This is the only part that depends on the key length. To estimate S_f , we need 2 × 128 qubits 373

to store $(\Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out})$ and a single qubit for q. Steps 3 and 4 require an additional $(16 \times 8 \times 2 + 8 \times 2) = 272$ qubits to run \mathcal{G}^i and compute and store the values of the input-output difference pairs. Step 6 requires an additional 2×128 qubits to store X_3 and X'_3 . Step 8 requires an additional $128 \times 5 = 640$ qubits. Thus, to store all values shown in the above implementation, a total of 1425 qubits are required. We thus obtain the following:

$$S_f \leq 1425/256 \leq 2^{2.48}$$
.

If we consider the parallelization of Grover's algorithm when $S(\geq 2^{2.48})$ quantum computers are available, our rebound attacks run in time $(\pi/4) \times 2^{3.71} \times \sqrt{2^{2.48}/(2^{-104} \cdot S)} \leq 2^{56.61}/\sqrt{S}$. Our attacks are faster than the generic attack complexity $2^{64}/S$ in the cost metric of the time–space tradeoff as long as $2^{2.48} \leq S < 2^{14.78}$. S_f is $2^{2.15}$ and $2^{1.89}$ in the case of ARIA-192 and ARIA-256, respectively; thus, even if the key size increases, the attack complexity does not differ by more than a factor of $2^{0.5}$.

Remark 1. Considering the structure of the compression function, this attack is mounted as a free-start collision attack for **ARIA-DM** and a collision attack for **ARIA-MP**.

4 | QUANTUM REBOUND ATTACKS ON ARIA-BASED DBL HASH FUNCTIONS

Herein, we provide a new differential trail for sevenround ARIA and mount it on **ARIA-Hirose** and **ARIA-MJH** to perform our quantum rebound attacks. We adopt the strategy of finding collisions that satisfy the condition $\Delta G_0 = G_0 \oplus G'_0 = c$ in the entire compression function, where *c* has one nonzero byte at the 0th position. As all attack processes are applied equally to the two structures, we focus on **ARIA-Hirose**.

4.1 | New Differential Trail for sevenround ARIA

As in Lamberger and others [33], we propose a differential trail for seven-round ARIA with a probability of 2^{-112} using the degrees of freedom from the key schedule.

4.1.1 | New differential trail using two inbound phases

We construct a trail by setting up two inbound phases and connecting them using the connection phase (Figure 7).

The two inbound phases are performed using the process presented in Section 3, and the core of our attack is to thoroughly analyze the connection phase. First, we set inbound phases 1 and 2 to be placed on rounds 2.5-3.0 and 4.5-5.0, respectively, and we compute the starting points of X_3 and X_5 . Owing to the nature of hash functions as keyless primitives, an attacker can choose a message pair that satisfies a given differential trail. From this perspective, the degrees of freedom that can be obtained from the key schedule are used to connect the starting points of X_3 and X_5 . Finally, ΔX_0 and ΔX_8 can be computed by propagating the starting points $(X_3, X_3 \oplus \Delta X_3)$ and $(X_5, X_5 \oplus \Delta X_3)$ ΔX_5) to the beginning and end of the cipher, respectively. As the probability of canceling one byte for the feedforward operation is 2^{-8} and $\Delta G_0 = c$ must hold, the overall time complexity of the attack is $2^{96} \times 2^8 \times 2^8 = 2^{112}$.

4.1.2 | Connecting two inbound phases

The overall connection process is shown in Figure 8. To connect the results of two inbound phases, we perform an exhaustive search on $W_0(=KL)$ in the key schedule,

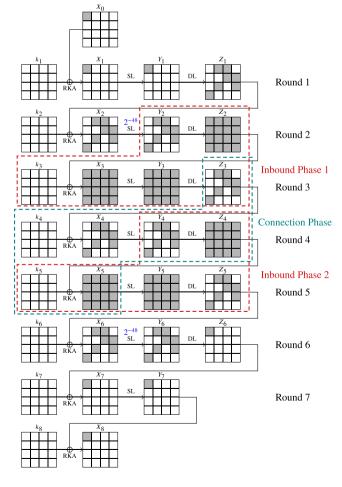


FIGURE 7 Our quantum rebound attack on seven-round **ARIA-Hirose**.

which is a search that has the highest complexity in this attack. Recall that $K_4 = (W_0 \gg 19) \oplus (W_3)$ and $K_5 = (W_0) \oplus (W_1 \gg 31)$ hold. In the key schedule, Y_4 and X_5 can be connected by appropriately adjusting $W_1 (= F_o(W_0) \oplus KR)$ according to the fixed W_0 . Because k_4 is determined according to k_5 , the connection between X_3 and Z_3 must be approached probabilistically. The detailed calculation process is as follows.

- 1. Compute Z_3 and $DL(X_5)$ from starting points X_3 and X_5 .
- 2. For the input-output difference pair $(\Delta X_4, \Delta Y_4)$, obtain X_4 that is compatible with the pair.
- Fix the value of W₀ and determine W₁ such that the given values Y₄ and DL(X₅) can be connected. Here, k₅ is determined; thus, k₄ is also determined.
- Given the value of k₄, check whether Z₃⊕k₄ = X₄ holds. If not, repeat the process from Step 2.

By performing this process, we can find round keys k_4 and k_5 that connect X_3 and X_5 . Notably, $\Delta X_4 = \Delta Z_3$ and $\Delta Y_4 = \Delta DL(X_5)$ hold, and the ΔX_4 and ΔY_4 differences are well connected.

4.2 | Quantum collision attacks on seven-round ARIA-Hirose and ARIA-MJH

Herein, we describe our quantum rebound attacks on seven-round **ARIA-Hirose** and **ARIA-MJH**, which are valid for the 256-bit key length of ARIA.

4.2.1 | Implementation of f

The core of our attack is the same as that described in Section 3. For two inbound phases, we denote the inputoutput difference pair by $(\Delta_{in}, \Delta_{out}) = (\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2)$, where $(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{out}^1)$ is the input-output difference pair of the first inbound phase, and $(\Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^2)$ is that of the second inbound phase. As the attack requires 2^{112} degrees of freedom, we consider $\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1$, and Δ_{out}^2 as elements of \mathbb{F}_2^{28} . First, we define a Boolean function:

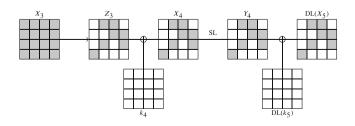


FIGURE 8 The connection phase of our collision attack on seven-round **ARIA-Hirose**.

$$f: \mathbb{F}_2^{28} \times \mathbb{F}_2^{28} \times \mathbb{F}_2^{28} \times \mathbb{F}_2^{28} \to \mathbb{F}_2, \tag{3}$$

where $f(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2) = 1$ holds if and only if the starting points computed with $(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2)$ satisfy the conditions listed below.

- 1. The starting point $(X_3, X_3 \oplus \Delta X_3)$ satisfies the differential transformations of part F_{bw} .
- 2. The starting point $(X_5, X_5 \oplus \Delta X_5)$ satisfies the differential transformations of part F_{fw} .

If $f(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{out}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2) = 1$ holds, we can compute the input values that result in collisions. We only use a fraction of the degrees of freedom that $(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2)$ has and, on average, expect that there is one pair of starting points $(X_3, X_3 \oplus \Delta X_3)$ and $(X_5, X_5 \oplus \Delta X_5)$ for each $(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2)$.

For a given $(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{out}^2, \Delta_{out}^1)$, the function $f(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^{out}, \Delta_{out}^2)$ can be computed using a classical computer as follows.

- 1. Choose nine random values in $\{0,1\}^8$ for the state to be constructed later.
- 2. Compute the differences $(\Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i)$ $(0 \le i < 16)$ from $(\Delta Y_2, \Delta Z_3)$ in round 3, where $\Delta Y_2 = \Delta_{in}^1$ and $\Delta Z_3 = \Delta_{out}^1$.
- 3. Given the obtained differences, solve the following equation and find one X_3^i on average for each active S-box S_3^i ($0 \le i < 16$):

$$S_3^i(X_3^i) \oplus S_3^i(X_3^i \oplus \Delta X_3^i) = \Delta Y_3^i. \tag{4}$$

Then, set $X_3^0 = \min\{X_3^0, X_3^0 \oplus \Delta X_3^0\}$, and similarly set $X_3^1, X_3^2, ..., X_3^{15}$. With this process, the starting point $X_3 = (X_3^0, X_3^1, ..., X_3^{15})$ is constructed. If there are no admissible values for the pair ($\Delta X_3, \Delta Y_3$), then return to Step 2.

- 4. Compute the differences $(\Delta X_5^i, \Delta Y_5^i)$ $(0 \le i < 16)$ from $(\Delta Y_4, \Delta Z_5)$ in round 5 where $\Delta Y_4 = \Delta_{in}^2$ and $\Delta Z_5 = \Delta_{out}^2$.
- 5. Given the obtained differences, solve the following equation and find one X_5^i on average for each active S-box S_5^i ($0 \le i < 16$):

$$S_5^i(X_5^i) \oplus S_5^i(X_5^i \oplus \Delta X_5^i) = \Delta Y_5^i.$$
⁽⁵⁾

Then, set $X_5^0 = \min\{X_5^0, X_5^0 \oplus \Delta X_5^0\}$, and similarly set $X_5^1, X_5^2, ..., X_5^{15}$. With this process, the starting point $X_5 = (X_5^0, X_5^1, ..., X_5^{15})$ is constructed. If there are no admissible values for the pair ($\Delta X_5, \Delta Y_5$), then return to Step 4.

6. Given the difference pair $(\Delta X_4^i, \Delta Y_4^i)$, solve the following equation and find one X_4^i on average for each active S-box S_4^i (*i* = 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 13, 14):

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$$S_4^i(X_4^i) \oplus S_4^i(X_4^i \oplus \Delta X_4^i) = \Delta Y_4^i.$$
(6)

The seven corresponding values of Y_4^i are determined by the above solution. Compute Z_4 after setting the remaining nine bytes of Y_4 to the random values chosen in Step 1.

- 7. Do the following for each W_0 .
 - (a) Compute k_5 that is compatible with Z_4 and starting point X_5 .
 - (b) Compute k_4 from k_5 and check whether $Z_3 \oplus k_4 = X_4$ holds.

If there is no admissible value for W_0 , then repeat the process in Step 5. Note that the starting points X_3 and X_5 are now connected correctly.

 Propagate starting points (X₃,X₃⊕ΔX₃) and (X₅,X₅⊕ΔX₅) to the beginning and end of the cipher, respectively. If the differential transformations of the differential trail are satisfied, f(Δ¹_{in}, Δ²_{in}, Δ¹_{out}, Δ²_{out}) returns 1; otherwise, it returns 0.

We need to consider that the feedforward operation and ΔG_0 and *c* must be equal; therefore, the degrees of freedom we need in this attack exceed 2^{112} . By applying Grover's algorithm to the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_f , which maps $|\Delta_{\text{in}}^1, \Delta_{\text{in}}^2, \Delta_{\text{out}}^1, \Delta_{\text{out}}^2\rangle|q\rangle$ to $|\Delta_{\text{in}}^1, \Delta_{\text{in}}^2, \Delta_{\text{out}}^1, \Delta_{\text{out}}^2\rangle|q\oplus f$ $(\Delta_{\text{in}}^1, \Delta_{\text{in}}^2, \Delta_{\text{out}}^1, \Delta_{\text{out}}^2)\rangle$, we can find collisions with about $T_{\mathcal{U}_f} \cdot (\pi/4) \cdot \sqrt{2^{112}}$ queries, where $T_{\mathcal{U}_f}$ is the time required to run the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_f . To estimate the overall complexity, we need to clarify the complexity at which \mathcal{U}_f runs.

4.2.2 | Implementation of quantum oracle U_f

Below, we describe how to implement f on quantum computers, or equivalently, how to implement the unitary operator \mathcal{U}_f , defined as $\mathcal{U}_f: |\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2, \Delta_{out}^2, |q \oplus f(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2)\rangle$. Similar to previous studies [14-16, 19], we need two additional functions to implement $\mathcal{U}_f: \mathcal{G}^i$, as discussed in Section 3, and \mathcal{K} . \mathcal{G}^i was used to find X_3 in Section 3; however, here it is used to find X_3, X_4 , and X_5 . Next, we define the function \mathcal{K} , which connects the two starting points X_3 and X_5 . That is, \mathcal{K} outputs W_0 connecting starting points X_3 and X_5 , from which k_5 can be computed. The implementation of the quantum oracle $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{K}}$ is presented in Algorithm 3. Finally, the implementation of the quantum oracle \mathcal{U}_f is presented in Algorithm 4. Note that the preselected values used in Step 16 are

chosen in a classical way before running the quantum algorithm.

Algorithm 3 Implementation of $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{K}}$
Input : $ X_4, X_5, Z_3, Z_4; W_0\rangle q\rangle$
Output: $ X_4, X_5, Z_3, Z_4; W_0\rangle q \oplus \mathcal{K}(X_4, X_5, Z_3, Z_4; W_0)$
1: Compute W_1 from Z_4 , X_5 , and W_0 .
2: Compute k_4 and k_5 from W_0 and W_1 .
3: if $Z_3 \oplus k_4 = X_4$ then
4: return $ X_4, X_5, Z_3, Z_4; W_0\rangle q \oplus 1\rangle$
5: else
6: return $ X_4, X_5, Z_3, Z_4; W_0\rangle q\rangle$
7: end if

Algorithm 4 Implementation of \mathcal{U}_f

Input: $|\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2\rangle|q\rangle$ **Output**: $|\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2\rangle|q \oplus f(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2)\rangle$

1: /* inbound phase 1 */

- 2: for $i \in \{0, 1, ..., 15\}$ do
- 3: Compute the differences $(\Delta X_3^i, \Delta Y_3^i)$ from $(\Delta Y_2, \Delta Z_3)$, where $\Delta Y_2 = \Delta_{in}^1$ and $\Delta Z_3 = \Delta_{out}^1$.
- 4: Run $\mathcal{G}^{i}(\Delta X_{3}^{i}, \Delta Y_{3}^{i}; X_{3}^{i})$. Let $(X_{3}^{i}, X_{3}^{i} \oplus \Delta X_{3}^{i})$ be the output.
- 5: **end for**
- 6: /* inbound phase 2 */
- 7: for $i \in \{0, 1, ..., 15\}$ do
- 8: Compute the differences $(\Delta X_5^i, \Delta Y_5^i)$ from $(\Delta Y_4, \Delta Z_5)$, where $\Delta Y_4 = \Delta_{in}^2$ and $\Delta Z_5 = \Delta_{out}^2$.
- 9: Run $\mathcal{G}^{i}(\Delta X_{5}^{i}, \Delta Y_{5}^{i}; X_{5}^{i})$. Let $(X_{5}^{i}, X_{5}^{i} \oplus \Delta X_{5}^{i})$ be the output.
- 10: **end for**
- 11: /* connection phase */
- 12: **for** $i \in \{3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 13, 14\}$ **do**
- 13: Run $\mathcal{G}^i(\Delta X_4^i, \Delta Y_4^i; X_4^i)$. Let $(X_4^i, X_4^i \oplus \Delta X_4^i)$ be the output.
- 14: **end for**
- 15: Compute the seven corresponding bytes of Y_4 .
- 16: Set the remaining nine bytes of Y_4 to preselected values and compute Z_4 .
- 17: Run $\mathcal{K}(X_4, X_5, Z_3, Z_4; W_0)$ for the exhaustive search of W_0 .
- 18: Set $X_3 \leftarrow (X_3^0, \dots, X_3^{15})$ and $X'_3 \leftarrow (X_3^0 \oplus \Delta X_3^0, \dots, X_3^{15}) \oplus \Delta X_3^{15})$.
- 19: Set $X_5^{\circ} \leftarrow (X_5^0, \dots, X_5^{15})$ and $X_5' \leftarrow (X_5^0 \oplus \Delta X_5^0, \dots, X_5^{15}) \oplus \Delta X_5^{15})$.
- 20: /* outbound phase */
- 21: **if** (X_3, X'_3, X_5, X'_5) fulfills the differential transformations of the outbound phase **then**
- 22: return $|\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2\rangle |q \oplus 1\rangle$
- 23: **else**
- 24: return $|\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2\rangle|q\rangle$
- 25: end if

4.2.3 | Complexity analysis

The complexity of the computation of seven-round ARIA is approximated by $16 \times (7+3) = 160$ S-box computations, and the other considerations are the same as those described in Section 3.

Complexity of \mathcal{K}

To find W_0 and W_1 connecting starting points X_3 and X_5 by applying Grover's algorithm to \mathcal{K} , we need to query to $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{K}}$. The number of queries required is $(\pi/4) \times \sqrt{2^{128}} \approx 2^{63.65}$, which is equivalent to $(\pi/4) \times \sqrt{2^{128}} \times (48/160) \approx 2^{61.91}$ seven-round ARIA computations.

Complexity of \mathcal{U}_f

The complexity of \mathcal{G}^i is evaluated as $2 \times (\pi/4) \times \sqrt{2^8} \times (1/160) \approx 2^{-2.67}$ seven-round ARIA computations for i=0, 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 13; otherwise, it is $2 \times 2 \times (\pi/4) \times \sqrt{2^8} \times (1/160) \approx 2^{-1.67}$. The implementation of \mathcal{U}_f includes 39 calls of \mathcal{G}^i in Steps 2–5, 7–10, and 12–14, which require $20 \times 2^{-2.67} + 19 \times 2^{-1.67} \approx 2^{3.19}$ seven-round ARIA computations. We need to perform S-box computations from starting points X_3 and X_5 to both ends of the cipher. As there are half inverse S-boxes in the S-box layer of each round, we need $(8+8\times 2) \times 5 \times 2 \times (1/160) \approx 2^{0.58}$ seven-round ARIA computations. The implementation of \mathcal{K} in Step 17 is also included. Thus, the overall complexity of \mathcal{U}_f is $2 \times (2^{3.19} + 2^{0.58} + 2^{61.91}) \approx 2^{62.91}$ seven-round ARIA computations.

Overall complexity of finding collisions

First, the number of qubits (or the unit of size) required to implement Hirose instantiated with ARIA-256 is 512. For the estimation of the S_f , we need 4×128 qubits to store $(\Delta_{in}^1, \Delta_{in}^2, \Delta_{out}^1, \Delta_{out}^2)$ and a single qubit for q. Steps 3 and 4 require an additional $(16 \times 8 \times 2 + 8 \times 2) = 272$ qubits to run \mathcal{G}^i and compute and store the values of the input–output difference pairs. Steps 8 and 9 also require 272 qubits in the same manner, and as Step 13 runs \mathcal{G}^i for only seven bytes, 128 qubits are required. Step 17 requires an additional 128×5 qubits, and Steps 18 and 19 require 4×128 qubits to store (X_3, X'_3, X_5, X'_5) . Step 21 requires an additional $128 \times 5 = 640$ qubits. Thus, to store all the values shown in the above implementation, a total of 2977 qubits are used. Hence, we obtain

$$S_f \leq 2977/512 \leq 2^{2.54}$$
.

If we consider the parallelization of Grover's algorithm when $S(\ge 2^{2.54})$ quantum computers are available, our rebound attacks run in time $(\pi/4) \times 2^{62.91} \times$ $\sqrt{2^{2.54}/(2^{-112} \cdot S)} \le 2^{119.83}/\sqrt{S}$. Our attacks are faster than the generic attack complexity $2^{128}/S$ in the cost metric of time–space tradeoff as long as $2^{2.54} \le S < 2^{16.34}$.

For **ARIA-MJH**, the number of qubits required for implementation is 640. Thus, $S_f \leq 2^{2.22}$ holds for **ARIA-MJH**, and the attack runs in time $(\pi/4) \times 2^{62.91} \times \sqrt{2^{2.22}/(2^{-112} \cdot S)} \leq 2^{119.67}/\sqrt{S}$ as long as $2^{2.22} \leq S < 2^{16.66}$.

Remark 2. Considering the structure of the compression function, this attack is mounted as a free-start collision attack for **ARIA-Hirose** and a semi-free-start collision attack for **ARIA-MJH**.

5 | CONCLUSIONS

In this study, we revised the quantum rebound attacks on SBL hash functions instantiated with ARIA proposed by Dou and others [23] and proposed new quantum rebound attacks on several DBL hash functions instantiated with ARIA. To find the collisions of hash functions, a differential trail for five-round ARIA was mounted for SBL hash functions, including DM, MMO, and MP, and a differential trail for seven-round ARIA-256 using two inbound phases and a connection phase was mounted for DBL hash functions, including Hirose and MJH. In particular, the seven-round differential trail was newly constructed by exploiting the maximum 2¹²⁸ degrees of freedom in the key schedule of ARIA-256. These results are expected to inspire the analysis of hash functions instantiated with other byte-oriented block ciphers. Extending our attacks to more rounds will be an interesting future research topic.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

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