

Clock-Controlled Shrinking Generator Of Feedback Shift Registers

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Summary

A system related to the shrinking generator that is made up of two feedback shift registers in which one (FSR A) controls the clocking of the other (FSR B) is introduced. It is established that if FSR A generates an m-sequence of period $2(m)-1$ and FSR B generates a de Bruijn sequence of period $2(\eta)$, then the output sequence of the system has period $P = 2(m+\eta-1)$, linear complexity L bounded from below by $2(m+\eta-2)$ good statistical properties, and it is secure against correlation attacks. All these properties make it a suitable crypto-generator for stream cipher applications.

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