# Distinguisher on reduced-round GIMLI

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#### What is GIMLI?

- Lightweight 384bit permutation
- Designed for cross-platform performance
- Talk tomorrow

## Distinguisher

(tested and works with reduced word size)

Breaks toy PRF with (15.5, 19.5, 22.5)-round GIMLI with data in sideways order with ~(2<sup>64</sup>, 2<sup>128</sup>, 2<sup>140</sup>) effort



## Structure of GIMLI



Full GIMLI: 24 rounds



~2<sup>140</sup> work: 23.5 (22.5) rounds



~2<sup>64</sup> work: 15.5 rounds



# Attack on toy PRF

#### (15.5 round version)

Requires one known plaintext, ~2<sup>64</sup> work, ~2<sup>72</sup> bits memory

Or van Oorschot-Wiener: ~2<sup>101</sup>/sqrt(memory)

Recovers part of key; whole key with a little more work?



# **Conjectured extensions**

(untested!)

Using about 2<sup>64</sup> time, 2<sup>72</sup> memory:

Key recovery on 15.5-round duplexing sponge (sideways)



Collision on 19.5-round hash (c=192, sideways)

Collision on 11.5-round hash (c=192, not sideways)

#### Conclusion

- Impractical attacks: no need to worry yet
  - But! Uses only high-level structure of GIMLI (also I don't really know what I'm doing)
  - Low-communication structure may be a liability

• Room for improvement??