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## AES-GCM-SIV

# Nonce Misuse-Resistant Authenticated Encryption

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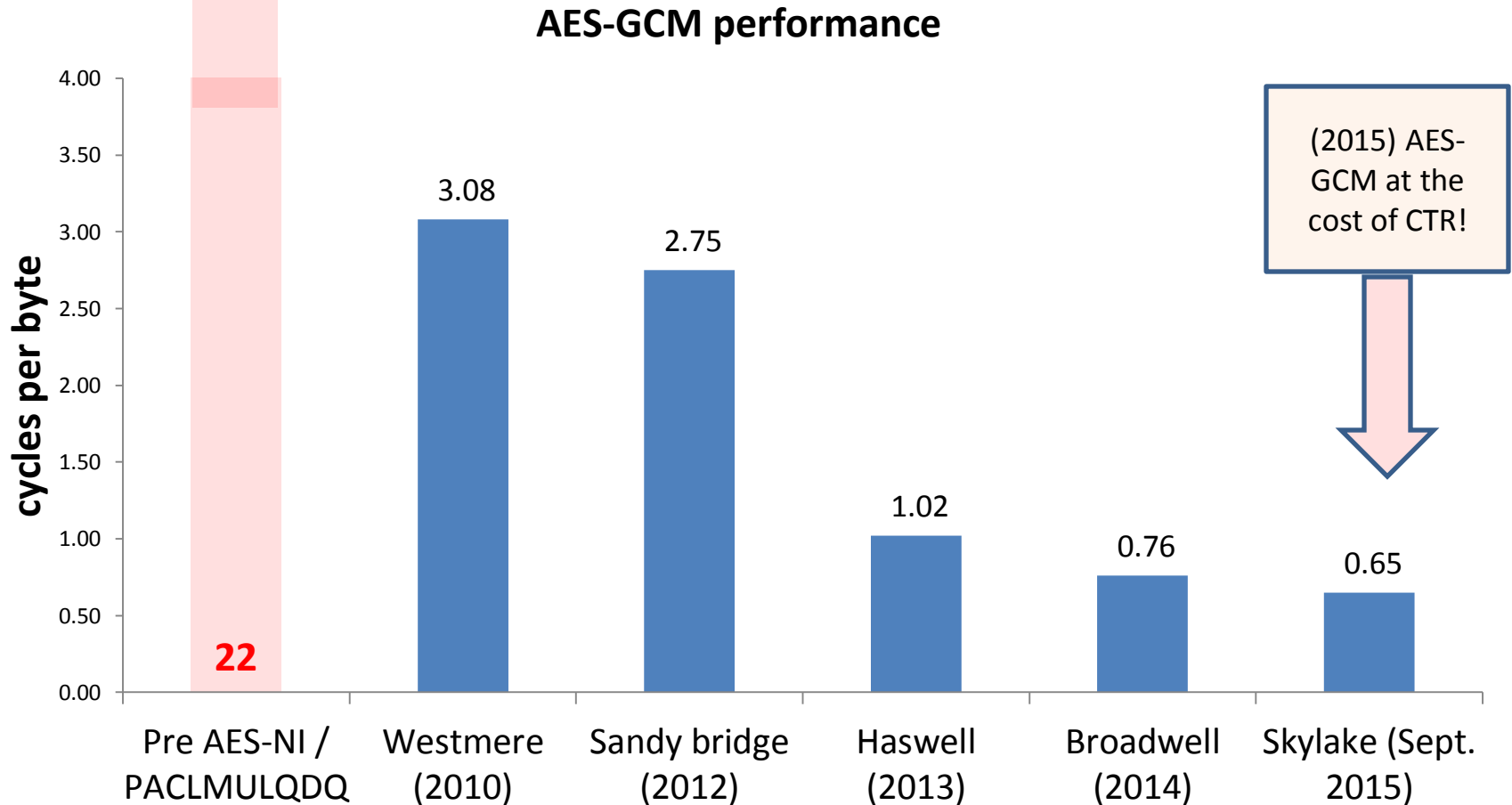
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    - Can utilize existing hardware (for AES and for GHASH) and existing code primitives
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  - Publicly available code ( Reference, optimized asm, MAC OS asm, C intrinsics)
    - <https://github.com/Shay-Gueron/AES-GCM-SIV>
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# AES-GCM success: now the leading AEAD enjoying excellent performance on high end CPU's



Westmere, Sandy bridge, Haswell, Broadwell, Skylake are Intel Architecture Codenames.

Codenames Haswell: 4<sup>th</sup> Generation Intel® Core Processor

Codenames Broadwell: 5<sup>th</sup> Generation Intel® Core Processor

Codenames Skylake: 6<sup>th</sup> Generation Intel® Core Processor

# How did AES-GCM become so fast?

Hardware support and more...

CPU instructions

- AES-NI for encryption
- PCLMULQDQ (64-bit polynomial multiplication) for the GHASH of AES-GCM
- Improved performance of AES-NI / PCLMULQDQ across CPU generations
- Such hardware support is now ubiquitous: on 64-bit processors

Algorithms and optimizations for CTR encryption & GHASH computations (e.g., efficient reduction with PCLMULQDQ)

All contributed to OpenSSL and NSS

# AES-GCM and nonce misuse

Derive hash key:  $H = \text{AES}_k(0^{128})$

Setup initial counter:  $\text{CTR} = \text{IV} || 0^{31} || 1$

Compute  $\text{MASK} = \text{AES}_k(\text{CTR})$

For  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ :

- $\text{CTR} = \text{inc32}(\text{CTR})$ ;
- $c_j = \text{AES}_k(\text{CTR}) \oplus m_j$
- $\text{inc32}$  increments the 32-bit counter inside the 128-bit block

Set  $X_1 = a_1, \dots, X_r = (a_r)', X_{r+1} = c_1, \dots, X_{r+s} = (c_s)', X_{r+s+1} = (\text{bitlen}(M) || \text{bitlen}(A))$

- All  $X_j$ 's are 128-bit blocks (possible 0 padding for  $(a_r)', (c_s)'$ )

$\text{GHASH}_H = X_1 \bullet H^n \oplus X_2 \bullet H^{n-1} \oplus \dots \oplus X_n \bullet H$

- $n = r+s+1$
- " $\bullet$ " = multiplication in  $\text{GF}(2^{128})[x] / P(x)$
- $P(x) = x^{128} + x^7 + x^2 + x + 1$  (with reversed order of bits within the bytes)

$\text{TAG} = \text{GHASH}_H \oplus \text{MASK}$

$C = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_s^*)$

**Repeating a nonce**  
(with the same key)  
has a **disastrous** effect on  
both privacy and integrity

**Our goal:**

**Enjoy the AES-GCM hardware / software support to define an analogous AEAD mode  
but with nonce misuse resistance:**

**Same nonce and same message: the result is the same ciphertext (inherent property)  
Otherwise – full security of authenticated encryption (within the security margins)**

# POLYVAL

(a universal family of hash functions)

- The operation “ $\bullet$ ”:
  - $A \bullet B = A * B * x^{-128} \bmod P(x)$
  - $P(x) = x^{128} + x^{127} + x^{126} + x^{121} + 1$
  - Operations in In GF ( $2^{128}$ )  $[x] / P(x)$
  - $*$  is the field multiplication.
- Let  $X_i$  be a 128 bit block.
- Let  $M$  be a message of  $n$  blocks ( $M = X_1 || X_2 || \dots || X_n$ )
- Let  $H$  be a 128 bit block

$$\text{POLYVAL}_H(M) = X_1 \bullet H^n \oplus X_2 \bullet H^{n-1} \oplus \dots \oplus X_n \bullet H$$

For example:

- $\text{POLYVAL}_H(X_1) = X_1 \bullet H$
- $\text{POLYVAL}_H(X_1 || X_2) = X_1 \bullet H^2 \oplus X_2 \bullet H$

# The relation between POLYVAL and GHASH

- $X_i$  and  $H$  be 128 bit blocks;  $M$  = message of  $n$  blocks ( $M = X_1 || X_2 || \dots || X_n$ )
- GHASH in AES-GCM
  - $GHASH_H(M) = X_1 \bullet H^n \oplus X_2 \bullet H^{n-1} \oplus \dots \oplus X_n \bullet H$
  - “ $\bullet$ ” denotes multiplication in  $GF(2^{128})[x] / P(x)$ 
    - $P(x) = x^{128} + x^7 + x^2 + x + 1$  (with *reversed* order of bits within the bytes)
- POLYVAL in GCM-SIV
  - No need to reverse the order of bits within the bytes
  - “ $\bullet$ ”:  $A \bullet B = A \times B \times x^{-128}$  in  $GF(2^{128})[x] / Q(x)$ 
    - $Q(x) = x^{128} + x^{127} + x^{126} + x^{121} + 1$
    - ( $\times$  is the field multiplication)

$$POLYVAL_{x \otimes H}(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_\ell) = \\ = \text{ByteSwap}(GHASH_H(\text{ByteSwap}(X_1), \text{ByteSwap}(X_2), \dots, \text{ByteSwap}(X_\ell)))$$

# AES-GCM-SIV 128 flow (encryption)

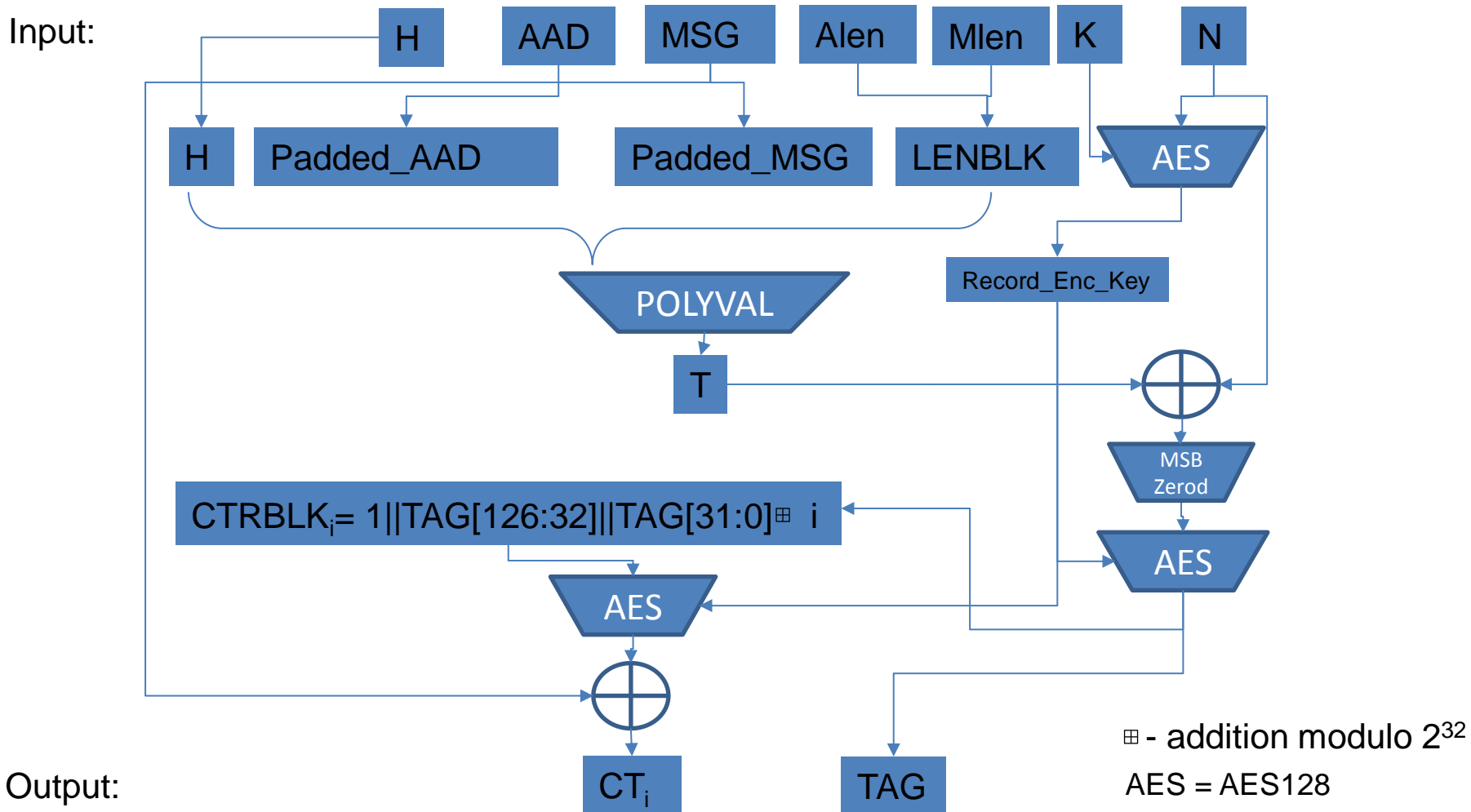
- Input:
  - $in\_AAD, in\_MSG$
  - $K, H, N$
- Message / AAD padding:
  - $AAD = \text{Pad } in\_AAD \text{ to } d \text{ blocks}$
  - $MSG = \text{pad } in\_MSG \text{ to } n \text{ blocks } (M_1 || M_2 || M_3 \dots || M_n)$
  - Define  $LENBLK$
  - $\text{Padded AAD/MSG} = AAD || MSG || LENBLK$  (consists of  $d+n+1$  blocks)
- Calculate:
  - $T = \text{POLYVAL}_H(AAD || MSG || LENBLK)$
  - $\text{Record\_Enc\_key} = \text{AES}_K(N)$
  - $\text{TAG} = \text{AES}_{\text{Record\_Enc\_key}}(0 || (T \oplus N) [126:0])$
  - $\text{CTRBLK}_i = 1 || \text{TAG}[126:32] || \text{TAG}[31:0] \boxplus i$  ( $i$  is 32 bit long.  $i = 0, 1 \dots i < 2^{32} - 1$ )
  - $\text{CT}_i = \text{AES}_{\text{Record\_Enc\_key}}(\text{CTRBLK}_i) \oplus M_i$
  - Define  $\text{CT} = (\text{CT}_1, \text{CT}_2, \dots \text{CT}_n)$
  - If  $\text{length}(in\_MSG) \neq \text{length}(\text{CT})$  - **chop** lsbits of CT so that  $\text{length}(in\_MSG) == \text{length}(\text{CT})$
- Output:  $\text{CT} = (\text{CT}_1, \text{CT}_2, \dots \text{CT}_n), \text{TAG}$



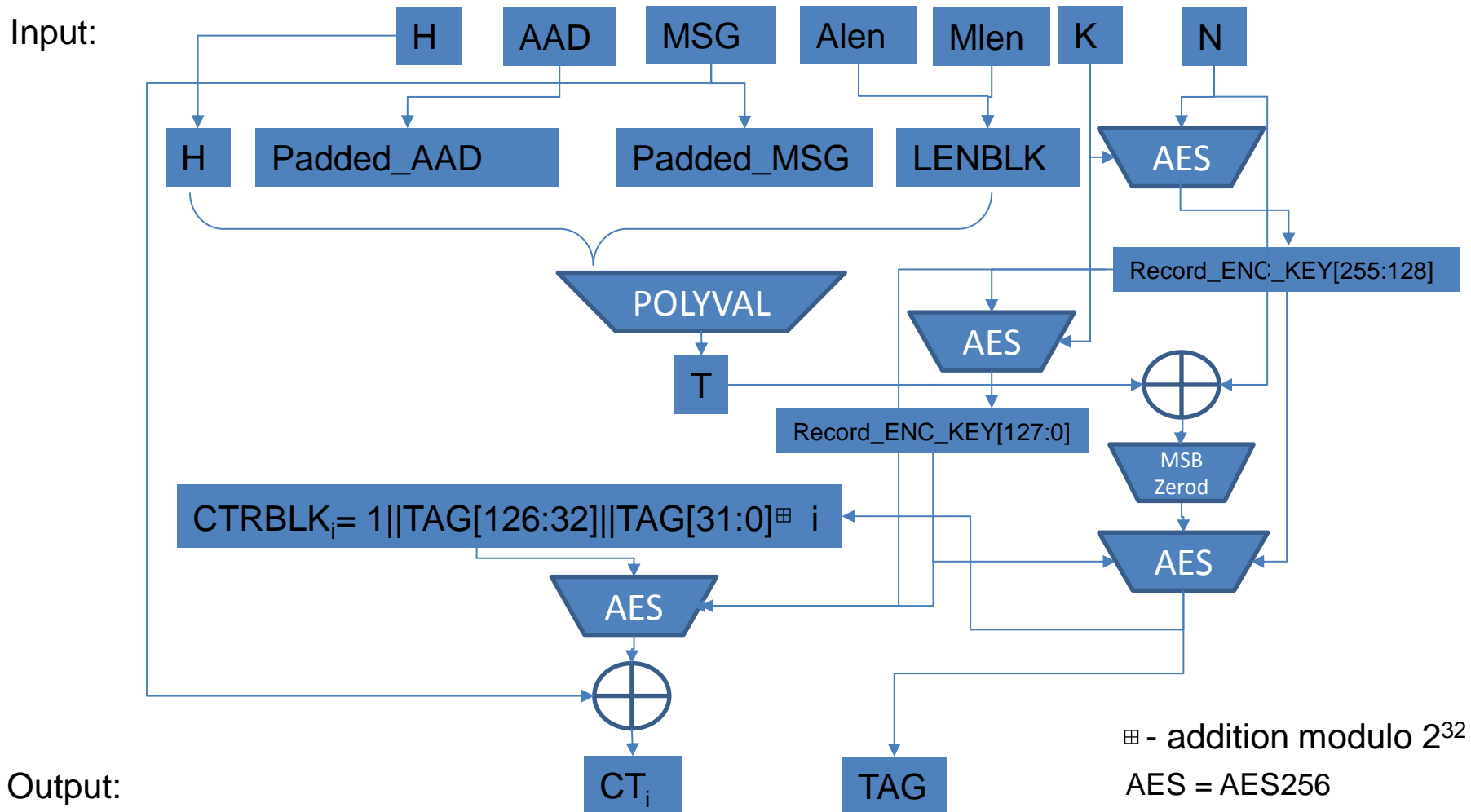
# AES-GCM-SIV 256 flow (encryption)

- Input:
  - In\_AAD, in\_MSG
  - K, H, N
- Derive (as described before):
  - AAD
  - $MSG = M_1 || M_2 || M_3 \dots || M_n$
  - LENBLK
- Calculate:
  - $T = \text{POLYVAL}_H(\text{AAD} || \text{MSG} || \text{LENBLK})$
  - $\text{Record\_Enc\_key}[255:128] = \text{AES}_K(N)$  (AES= AES 256)
  - $\text{Record\_Enc\_key}[127:0] = \text{AES}_K(\text{Record\_Enc\_key}[255:128])$  (AES= AES 256)
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  - TAG

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# AES-GCM-SIV 128 Performance (in C/B)

## AES\_GCM\_SIV\_Encryption (128 bit)

	1KB	2KB	4KB	8KB	16KB
HSW	1.50	1.37	1.30	1.27	1.26
BDW	1.16	1.03	0.96	0.93	0.91
SKL	1.11	1.02	0.97	0.95	0.94

## AES\_GCM\_SIV\_Decryption (128 bit)

	1KB	2KB	4KB	8KB	16KB
HSW	1.47	1.30	1.27	1.23	1.22
BDW	1.00	0.85	0.81	0.77	0.76
SKL	0.83	0.71	0.68	0.65	0.64

# GCM-SIV 256 Performance (in C/B)

## AES\_GCM\_SIV\_Encryption (256 bit)

	1KB	2KB	4KB	8KB	16KB
HSW	1.90	1.71	1.61	1.56	1.54
BDW	1.60	1.37	1.26	1.20	1.17
SKL	1.53	1.32	1.25	1.22	1.20

## AES\_GCM\_SIV\_Decryption (256 bit)

	1KB	2KB	4KB	8KB	16KB
HSW	1.98	1.68	1.54	1.49	1.46
BDW	1.49	1.20	1.13	1.07	1.04
SKL	1.19	1.02	0.96	0.92	0.90

# GCM-SIV Short Messages Performance[Cycles]

- **AES GCM SIV 128 bit (encryption)**

Input Size	16B	32B	64B
HSW	293	349	470
BDW	249	292	379
SKL	194	228	293

- **AES GCM SIV 256 bit (encryption)**

Input Size	16B	32B	64B
HSW	430	460	557
BDW	430	483	557
SKL	316	350	422

# Proven security statement (Gueron Lindell CCS 20)15

**THEOREM 4.3** (2-KEY GCM-SIV). *Consider the above variant of Construction 3.1 with one key for the pseudorandom function  $F$  and one key for the hash function GHASH. Then, the result is a nonce misuse-resistant authenticated encryption scheme, and there exists an adversary  $\mathcal{A}'$  for  $F$  such that for every  $\mathcal{A}$  attacking Construction 3.1 making  $q_E$  encryption queries and  $q_d$  decryption queries of overall length  $L$ :*

$$\text{Adv}_{\Pi}^{\text{mrAE}}(\mathcal{A}) < 2 \cdot \text{Adv}_F^{\text{prf}}(\mathcal{A}') + \frac{q_E(\mathcal{A})^2}{2^{n-k-2}} + \frac{q_E(\mathcal{A})^2 + q_d(\mathcal{A})}{2^{n-1}}$$

where  $t(\mathcal{A}') \leq 6 \cdot t(\mathcal{A})$  and  $q_f(\mathcal{A}') \leq 2q_E(\mathcal{A}) + 2q_d(\mathcal{A}) + \frac{L}{n}$ .

**Security of GCM-SIV is equivalent to that of AES-GM (with 96-bit IV)**  
**Improved bound will be published soon**

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