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Number of Ciphertexts	Average Key Search Space				
	GSO $h_{\text{coeff}}(k)=1$ (GA)	GSO $h_{\text{coeff}}(k)=0$ (PSO)	GSO $h_{\text{coeff}}(k)=0.2$	GSO $h_{\text{coeff}}(k)=0.3$	GSO $h_{\text{coeff}}(k)=\text{rand}(k)$
100	272	258	242	235	221
500	265	232	228	205	197
1000	240	210	201	191	182

## 5. Conclusion

In this paper, a novel approach GSO by combining the effectiveness of GA and PSO is proposed to attack Simplified-DES. From the results and analysis, it is observed that GSO reduces the key search space by the factor of 5.6 and runs through less time. Implementing our approach in high speed computers further reduces the time consumption. This shows that the GSO can be effectively used in the field of cryptanalysis and this approach has been reported for the first time to attack the ciphers. Though SDES is simpler than DES, this gives a better idea to attack DES and other complex block ciphers like AES .

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