

IT-Security Cryptography and Secure Communications

Exercise: AES

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For this exercise let's assume that we have a 128 bit key.

1. RoundKey computation:

Given the following RoundKey:

$$r_{C_1} = w[4] || w[5] || w[6] || w[7] =$$

-w[4]-----	-w[5]-----	-w[6]-----	-w[7]-----
E2 32 FC F1	91 12 91 88	B1 59 E4 E6	D6 79 A2 93

Calculate r_{C_2} ; i.e. the Roundkey for the second round.

1. Before performing the concrete computation, first write down the formulae:

$$w[8] = \dots \oplus \dots$$

$$w[9] = \dots \oplus \dots$$

$$w[10] = \dots \oplus \dots$$

$$w[11] = \dots \oplus \dots$$

Solution

$$w[8] = w[4] \oplus g(w[7])$$

$$w[9] = w[5] \oplus w[8]$$

$$w[10] = w[6] \oplus w[9]$$

$$w[11] = w[7] \oplus w[10]$$

2. Calculate $w[8]$ and $w[9]$.

Solution

$g(w[7])$:

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. after left shift of $w[7]$: | 79 A2 93 D6 |
| 2. after s-box substitution: | B6 3A DC F6 |

3. after add RoundConstant (02 00 00 00): B4 3A DC F6

w[8] = E2 32 FC F1 xor B4 3A DC F6 = 56 08 20 07

w[9] = w[8] xor 91 12 91 88 = C7 1A B1 8F

2. Let's assume that the current State matrix is:

00 3C 6E 47

1F 4E 22 74

0E 08 1B 31

54 59 0B 1A

Perform the step *substitute bytes*; i.e., apply the s-box transformation.

Solution

63 EB 9F A0

C0 2F 93 92

AB 30 AF C7

20 CB 2B A2

3. Perform the *shift rows transformation* on your previous result.

Solution

63 EB 9F A0

2F 93 92 C0

AF C7 AB 30

A2 20 CB 2B

4. Given the following State matrix:

6A 59 CB BD

4E 48 12 A0

98 9E 30 9B

8B 3D F4 9B

Perform the mix columns transformation for the missing field ($S'_{0,0}$):

?? C9 7F 9D

CE 4D 4B C2

89 71 BE 88

65 47 97 CD

Solution

$$0x02 \times 0x6A = (\text{simple left shift of } 6A) : 1101\ 0100_b$$

$$0x03 \times 0x4E = 0x4E \oplus (0x02 \times 0x4E) = 0100\ 1110_b \oplus 1001\ 1100_b = 11010010_b$$

$$S'_{0,0} = 1101\ 0100_b \oplus 1101\ 0010_b \oplus 0x98 \oplus 0x8B = 0x15$$

5. Apply the RoundKey:

-w[x]----- -w[x+1]----- -w[x+2]----- -w[x+3]-----
D2 60 0D E7 15 7A BC 68 63 39 E9 01 C3 03 1E FB

to the State:

AA 65 FA 88
16 0C 05 3A
3D C1 DE 2A
B3 4B 5A 0A

Solution

Recall that the round key applies to the column!

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78 70 99 4B
76 76 3C 39
30 7D 37 34
54 23 5B F1
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6. Ask yourself what happens if you encrypt a block just consisting of 0x00s with a key also consisting only of 0x00s?

Solution

- First substitution will map all values to the same value: 0x63,.
- Shift row will have no effect.
- Mix columns (because the values are no longer 0x00 will lead to some diffusion 0x02 × 0x63 and 0x03 × 0x63 is not 0x63.)
- AddRoundKey will also effect and lead (already during the first round) to some confusion.