

Advanced Encryption Standard

→ AES cipher is almost identical to Rijndael Block Cipher (block & key sizes: same between 128, 192 & 256 bits) → AES only needs block size of 128 bits
 → AES is different from DES since it has no feistel network (which works on a subset of a block's text in one iteration) → AES encrypts all 128 bits in 1 iteration

→ Each AES round is a layer mapping 128 bits until Mix-Column Transformation

→ 3 layers:
 1. Key Layer: 128-bit round key derived from main key Xored to state

2. Byte Subst. Layer (S box): Each element of state nonlinearly transformed using lookup tables

3. Diffusion Layer: Ensures changes of individual bit propagate across 128 bits
 ↗ ShiftRows Sublayer: permutes data on byte layer
 ↗ Mix-Column Sublayer: Matrix Operation combining blocks of 4 bytes

→ Galois/Finite Field: Set of elements of \mathbb{F} together of operation \oplus that combines 2 elements of \mathbb{F}

↳ \mathbb{F} is closed: $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{F} (a + b \in \mathbb{F})$

↳ \mathbb{F} is associative, commutative

↳ $\exists 1 \in \mathbb{F}$ called Neutral/Identity Element $\rightarrow \forall a \in \mathbb{F} (a \oplus 1 = a \cdot 1 = a)$

↳ $\exists a^{-1} \in \mathbb{F} (a \oplus a^{-1} = a \cdot a^{-1} = 1)$ inverse of a

→ Defⁿ of Field: Set of elements \mathbb{F} w/ following → Order = # of elements

↳ all $f, c \in \mathbb{F}$ form additive abelian group w/ operation \oplus and neutral 0

↳ all $f, c \in \mathbb{F}$ form multiplicative abelian group w/ op \times and neutral 1

↳ When 2 group ops mixed, distributivity: $(a+b)c = abc + b\cdot c$ Val. in \mathbb{F}

→ Theorem: Let p be a prime $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} = GF(p) \cong$ Prime/Galois Field of a prime number of elements $\forall a \in GF(p) | a \neq 0 \Rightarrow a$ has an inverse operations are done via modulo p

Ex: Structured prime field $GF(2^8) = \mathbb{Z}_2^8 \rightarrow$ AES uses 256 elem fields $GF(2^8)$ → each field element represented by 8 bytes for manipulation $\rightarrow 2^8$ not prime so + 8 = cannot use modulo

→ Extension Field: Fields $GF(m)$ for $m > 1$ where elements represented as polynomials & polynomial arithmetic

→ Ex: $\forall A \in GF(2^8)$: $A(x) = a_7x^7 + \dots + a_0$ for $a_i \in GF(2)$ irreducible polynomials needed

addition multiplication

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| + | 0 1 |
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