

Low Latency Evaluation of AES via (leveled) TFHE

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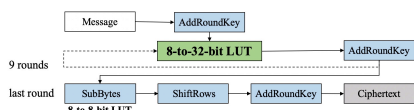
Advanced Encryption Scheme (AES)

The Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) is a widely embraced block encryption standard by the United States federal government, known for its efficiency and prevalent use in securing sensitive information across diverse applications.

Motivation: AES stands as one of the top choices for application in the transciphering framework. How to achieve efficient AES evaluation has been a major challenge for the transciphering community.

Implementation methods of AES:

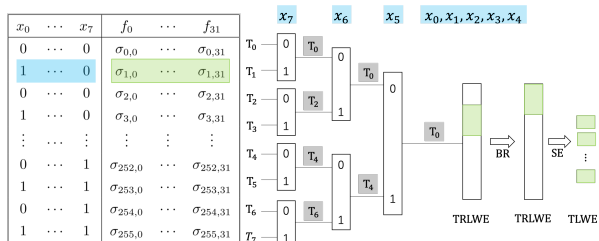
- Using four basic functions
SubBytes, RowShifts, MixColumns and AddRoundKey
- Using LUT-based implementation
Merge SubBytes, RowShifts and MixColumns three functions into 8-to-32-bit LUT, as follows. We present faster evaluation of AES using this implementation based on leveled TFHE.



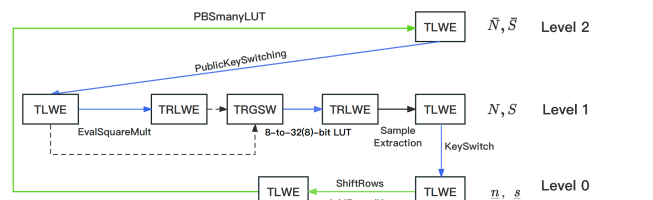
Evaluation Framework

Message Encoding: $\{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{0, \frac{1}{B}\}$ over the Torus

1. Efficient 8-to-32-bit lookup table using CMUX and mixed packing



2. Efficient AES evaluation framework based on leveled TFHE



ShiftRows and AddRoundKey can be evaluated at Level 0 for free, while SubBytes can be performed in Level 1 efficiently.

Performance

Experimental environment

a single core of Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-11500 CPU @ 2.70GHz and 32 GB RAM, running the Ubuntu 20.04 operating system.

Implementation result

Table: Comparison of AES-128 evaluation latency based on different schemes

Scheme	Evaluation mode	Latency	Amortized
BGV	Leveled[GHS12]	4 mins	2 s
	Bootstrapping[GHS12]	18 mins	6 s
CKKS	Bootstrapping[ADE+23]	31 mins	56.7 ms*
TFHE	Functional bootstrapping[SMK22]	4.2 mins	4.2 mins*
	Functional bootstrapping[TCBS23]	270 s	270 s
	Functional bootstrapping[BPR23]	211 s	211 s
	Ours(Leveled)	46 s	46 s

Our AES evaluation latency based on leveled TFHE is about 5x improvement over the state-of-the-art work in terms of latency.

TFHE

The TFHE scheme is based on the LWE and RLWE problems and it supports efficient gate bootstrapping, functional(programmable) bootstrapping and circuit bootstrapping.

- TFHE ciphertexts:
TLWE(m), TRLWE(m(x)), TRGSW(m(x))
- Building Blocks:
 - External Multiplication \square : TRGSW \times TRLWE \rightarrow TRLWE
 - CMUX(c, d₁, d₀): c \square (d₁ - d₀) + d₀
 - KeySwitching: TLWE \rightarrow T(R)LWE, TRLWE \rightarrow TRLWE
 - SampleExtraction(SE): TRLWE \rightarrow TLWE
 - BlindRotation(BR): Rotate the test polynomial blindly
- Bootstrapping types in TFHE:
 - Identity bootstrapping
 - Gate bootstrapping
 - Functional (Programmable) bootstrapping
 - Full domain functional bootstrapping
 - Multi-value bootstrapping (PBSmanyLUT)
 - Circuit bootstrapping: TLWE \rightarrow TRGSW

Efficient Circuit Bootstrapping

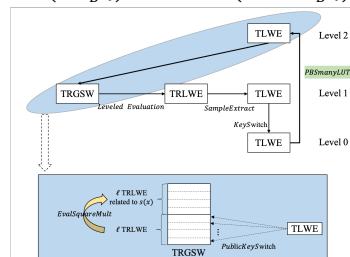
New TLWE-to-TRGSW Conversion: Bridge the evaluation of AES

- PBSmanyLUT: TLWE(m) \rightarrow TLWE($m \cdot \frac{1}{B-j}$), $j = 1, \dots, \ell$
- The second ℓ rows of TRGSW can be constructed by **PublicKeySwitch**:

$$\text{TLWE}(m) \rightarrow \text{TRLWE}\left(m \cdot \frac{1}{B-j}\right), j = 1, \dots, \ell$$

The first ℓ rows of TRGSW can be constructed by **EvalSquareMult**:

$$\text{TRLWE}\left(m \cdot \frac{1}{B-j}\right) \rightarrow \text{TRLWE}\left(-s \cdot m \cdot \frac{1}{B-j}\right), j = 1, \dots, \ell$$



A test polynomial that satisfies the **negacyclic** property for PBSmanyLUT as follows:

$$P(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{2^{\rho}-1} \sum_{j=0}^{2^{\rho}-1} (-1)^j \cdot \frac{1}{2B^j} X^{2^{\rho}+i+j} + \sum_{i=\frac{2^{\rho}}{2}}^{2^{\rho}-1} \sum_{j=0}^{2^{\rho}-1} \frac{1}{2B^j} X^{2^{\rho}+i+j}, \text{ where } \rho = \lceil \log_2 \ell \rceil$$

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