

# 1 Approach

In this article, we name the MAC scheme adopted in Cost-Effective Tag Design[] CETD-MAC.

## 1.1 Specification of the MAC Scheme in Cost-Effective Tag Design

In this section, we depict the design details of CETD-MAC scheme. At the beginning we express notations required to understand CETD-MAC scheme.

**Notations** Let  $\{0,1\}^n$  be the set of all n-bit binary strings. The set of all binary string is expressed as  $\{0,1\}^*$ . For a string  $X \in \{0,1\}^n$ ,  $|X|$  is its length in bits, and  $|X|_l = \lceil |X|/l \rceil$  is the length of X in l-bit blocks. Let  $0^l$  and  $1^l$  denote bit strings of all zeros and all ones. For a bit string X and an integer l that  $|X| \geq l$ ,  $\text{msb}_l(X)$  denotes the most significant l bits(left most l bits) of X and  $\text{lsb}_l(X)$  for least significant l bits(right most l bits) of X. For two bit string X and Y, we denote  $X||Y$  or  $XY$  as the their concatenation. For bit string X whose length in bits is multiple of integer l, we denote X parted into l-bit sub-strings as  $X = (X[1]X[2] \dots X[n])_l$ , where  $X[1], X[2], \dots, X[n] \in \{0,1\}^l$ . The number of bits in a string of X is denoted as  $\text{len}(X)$ .

The block cipher encryption of a string X with a secret key K is denoted as  $E_K(X)$ .  $E_K(X)$  expresses the String mapping of  $\{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$  where n is the  $\text{len}(X)$  and  $\text{len}(\text{output})$ .

**CETD-MAC Scheme** CETD-MAC scheme can be expressed as  $\text{tag} = \text{CETD-MAC}(M, \text{nonce-input})$ . The input arguments of CETD-MAC are message M and a tuple named nonce-input. The tuple nonce-input is the concatenation of the memory address of M, a counter and a random number, denoted as  $\text{nonce-input} = (\text{address}||\text{counter}||\text{random})$ . The length of nonce-input,  $\text{len}(\text{nonce-input})$ , is identical to the length of input to block cipher  $E_K(X)$ . The output of CETD-MAC is named tag, whose length is optional. We use Sub-BLK-No to express the value of  $\text{len}(M)/\text{len}(\text{tag})$ . One preliminary of CETD-MAC is that Sub-BLK-No should be no less than 2 and 0s will be concatenated to the leftmost when Sub-BLK-No is not integer.

## 1.2 Tag Collision Under Replay Attack

In this section, we depict the weaknesses we found in CETD-MAC under replay attack. These weaknesses in mechanism let the CETD-MAC to produce tags with high collision probability with some chosen inputs. The tags with highly collision probability ease the adversary's attack.

**Shuffle Rounds, Input Length and Tag Length** Let  $E_K(X)$  be the block cipher encryption with secret key K and accepting X as input. We denote  $\pi = E_K(X)$ . Then  $\pi: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$ .

## **The Intermediate Data Sets in CETD-MAC**

### **1.2.1 The Block-level Pattern Collision**

### **1.2.2 The Set-level Pattern Collision**

## **1.3 A Solution to Eliminated the Collision**

In this section we provide an modification of original CETD-MAC. Our approach does not require additional component or information to the original CETD-MAC. We then prove that the optimized CETD-MAC can fix the weakness and protect input message from replay attack.

## **2 Experiments and Results**