ASSIGNMENT – 3

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Python Tool Version used: 3.8.0

Question 1:

DOM Attack: In this assignment, you will be provided with the power traces of AES. The power traces are stored in a CSV file, where each row indicates the power consumption of one AES execution. For every row, the first entry is plaintext, the second entry is ciphertext, and all the subsequent entries are power consumption values. Your task is to write a code for Difference of Mean Attack, and use that code on the given power traces to recover the 4th and 5th bytes of the secret key used in the AES execution. The demo code is for finding out the 0th byte of the secret key.

Note: You will be provided with 10 CSV files, you have to use one according to your group number.

(e.g., if your group number is 1, then use HW power trace 1.csv)

Logic:

Here, we had to implement DOM attack, and use the power traces provided to recover 4th and 5th bytes of secret key used in the AES execution. We have example code for recovering 0th byte. So, we need to run the same code twice to get the 4th and 5th bytes. Now, for the 0th byte recovery we shifted the 128-bit cipher text to 120 bits towards right in order to get the 0th byte in last 8 bits and hence, got the 0th byte recovered.

Now, for extending the same concept for 4th and 5th byte, secret key we have to get the first 4 and 5 bytes of data of cipher text in order to recover the intended byte. So, to recover 4th byte first, we shift the 128-bit cipher text, (120-32) i.e. 88 bits towards right to get the first 4 bytes at the end. Now, we do 'logical and' operation on the last 8 bits of the shifted cipher text with all 8-bit 1's to eventually get the 4th byte recovered.

Similarly, to recover 5th byte of secret key, we shift the 128-bit cipher text, (120-40) i.e. 80 bits towards right to get the first 5 bytes at the end. Now, we do 'logical and' operation on the last 8 bits of the shifted cipher text with all 8-bit 1's to eventually get the 5th byte recovered.

Code implementation of same:

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shift_regain_left = (8*j)-40
ct_temp = (ct >> (120+shift_regain_left))
ct temp &= 0b11111111
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Where, j is the loop variable taking values 0 and 1. 0 for the 4th byte recovery and 1 for the 5th bye recovery.

Key Bytes to recover: 4th and 5th

CSV file used: HW_power_trace_4.csv (Group 4)

Recovered 4th byte secret key: 87

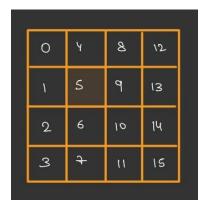
Recovered 5th byte secret key: 62

Question 2:

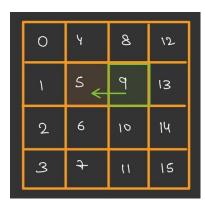
CPA: In this assignment, you will be provided with the power consumption of the last round of AES. The power traces are obtained from SAKURA-G platform that runs an implementation of AES-128 on a Spartan-6 FPGA. The power trace is stored in a CSV file, where each row indicates the power consumption of one AES execution. For every row, the first entry is plaintext, the second entry is ciphertext, and all the subsequent entries are power consumption values. Your task is to write a code for Correlation Power Attack, and use that code on the given power trace to recover the target byte assigned to your group.

Logic:

We have to attack the 5th byte according to the diagram above. The matrix has all the 128 bits arranged byte wise in a 4x4 format.



The last round has the following stages: SubByte, ShiftRow and AddRoundKey. We are given the cipher text so first we take the 5th byte from the ciphertexts[i][j] matrix and XOR it with the corresponding key (k).



Now shifting this element to the right 1 time, that is to the 9th element of the ciphertexts matrix because of the 5th byte being in the 1st row within the matrix. Then apply the InvSbox substitution corresponding to the 9th element to find the hamming distance by counting the number of ones. The key which gives the highest peak for most of the test cases with respect to this value will be considered our key.

Code implementation of same:

Target Byte assigned: 5th Byte (Group 4)

Value of recovered 5th byte: 121