

Applied Cryptography: Homework 4

(Deadline: 10:00am, 2020/10/10)

Justify your answers with calculations, proofs, and programs.

1. (10 points, question 4.3, page 132 of the textbook)

Let $DES(x, K)$ represent the encryption of plaintext x with key K using the DES cryptosystem. Suppose $y = DES(x, K)$ and $y' = DES(c(x), c(K))$, where $c(\cdot)$ denotes the bitwise complement of its argument. Prove that $y' = c(y)$ (i.e., if we complement the plaintext and the key, then the ciphertext is also complemented). Note that this can be proved using only the “high-level” description of DES —the actual structure of S-boxes and other components of the system are irrelevant.

2. (20 points, question 4.4 + question 4.5, page 132 of the textbook)

- (a) Suppose that we have the following 128-bit AES key, given in hexadecimal notation:

2B7E151628AED2A6ABF7158809CF4F3C

Construct the complete key schedule arising from this key.

- (b) Compute the encryption of the following plaintext (given in hexadecimal notation) using the 10-round AES :

3243F6A8885A308D313198A2E0370734

Use the 128-bit key from the previous exercise.

3. (30 points, question 4.15, page 134 of the textbook)

Suppose that the S-box of Example 4.1 is replaced by the S-box defined by the following substitution $\pi_{S'}$:

z	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
$\pi_{S'}(z)$	8	4	2	1	C	6	3	D	A	5	E	7	F	B	9	0

- (a) Compute the linear approximation table for this S-box.
- (b) Find a linear approximation using three active S-boxes, and use the piling-up lemma to estimate the bias of the random variable $\mathbf{X}_{16} \oplus \mathbf{U}_1^4 \oplus \mathbf{U}_9^4$.
- (c) Describe a linear attack, analogous to Algorithm 4.2, that will find eight subkey bits in the last round.
- (d) Implement your attack and test it to see how many plaintexts are required in order for the algorithm to find the correct subkey bits (approximately 1000–1500 plaintexts should suffice; this attack is more efficient than Algorithm 4.2 because the bias is larger by a factor of 2, which means that the number of plaintexts can be reduced by a factor of about 4).
4. (30 points, question 4.16, page 135 of the textbook)

Suppose that the S-box of Example 4.1 is replaced by the S-box defined by the following substitution $\pi_{S''}$:

z	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
$\pi_{S''}(z)$	E	2	1	3	D	9	0	6	F	4	5	A	8	C	7	B

- Compute the table of values N_D (as defined in Definition 4.3) for this S-box.
- Find a differential trail using four active S-boxes, namely, S_1^1, S_4^1, S_4^2 , and S_4^3 , that has propagation ratio $27/2048$.
- Describe a differential attack, analogous to Algorithm 4.3, that will find eight subkey bits in the last round.
- Implement your attack and test it to see how many plaintexts are required in order for the algorithm to find the correct subkey bits (approximately 100–200 plaintexts should suffice; this attack is not as efficient as Algorithm 4.3 because the propagation ratio is smaller by a factor of 2).