AES Problem

Starting with a 128 bit block of plaintext represented by

2d 5f 34 30 fe 1f 1e 3a 11 22 33 44 55 66 77 88

And an initial 128 bit key given as

f1 e2 d3 a4 c5 b6 f7 e8 c9 a0 44 55 66 77 11 22

- A) Create the initial input state matrix
- B) Develop the first four words of the key expansion matrix
- C) Show the values of the first column of the state matrix
 - i. after the initial AddRoundKey operation
 - ii. the S Box transformation
 - iii. a Mix Column operation

MixColumn replaces a 4-octet column with another 4-octet column. This operation can be implemented with a single table containing 256 4-octet columns. Each of the octets in the column is used as an index to retrieve a column from the table. Each column retrieved from the table is rotated vertically so that its top octet is in the same row as the input octet and the four rotated columns are XORed together to produce the output column.

Hint: Using an online XOR calculator would help expedite the calculations