

HOME WORK #2

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Problem 1. Conditional entropy

$$\begin{aligned}
 &1.a) \\
 &H(M|C) = \sum_{c \in C} p(C) \sum_{m \in M} p(M|C) \log_2\left(\frac{1}{p(M|C)}\right) \\
 &H(M|C) = \sum p(C) \sum p(M|C) \log_2\left(\frac{1}{p(M|C)}\right) \\
 &= 4 * \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2} \log_2(2) + \frac{1}{2} \log_2(2) \right) \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &1.b) \\
 &H(M|C) = \sum p(C) \sum p(M|C) \log_2\left(\frac{1}{p(M|C)}\right) \\
 &= \sum p(C) \sum p(M) \log_2\left(\frac{1}{p(M)}\right) \text{ (since with perfect secrecy, } p(M|C) = p(M)) \\
 &= \sum p(M) \log_2\left(\frac{1}{p(M)}\right) * \sum p(C) \text{ (since the log is independent of C)} \\
 &= \sum p(M) \log_2\left(\frac{1}{p(M)}\right) * |C| * \frac{1}{|C|} \text{ (since each ciphertext is equiprobable)} \\
 &= \sum p(M) \log_2\left(\frac{1}{p(M)}\right) * 1 \\
 &= \sum p(M) \log_2\left(\frac{1}{p(M)}\right) \\
 &= H(M)
 \end{aligned}$$

1.c)

No, since $p(M|C) = \frac{1}{2} \neq \frac{1}{4} = p(M)$.

→ Answer

Problem 2. Binary polynomial arithmetic

2.a.i)

$$x^3$$

$$x^3 + 1$$

$$x^3 + x$$

$$x^3 + x + 1$$

$$x^3 + x^2$$

$$x^3 + x^2 + 1$$

$$x^3 + x^2 + x$$

$$x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

2.a.ii)

$$x^3 = x * x * x$$

$$x^3 + 1 = (x + 1)(x^2 - x + 1)$$

$$x^3 + x = x(x^2 + x)$$

$$x^3 + x + 1 = \text{irreducible}$$

$$x^3 + x^2 = x^2(x + 1)$$

$$x^3 + x^2 + 1 = \text{irreducible}$$

$$x^3 + x^2 + x = x(x^2 + x + 1)$$

$$x^3 + x^2 + x + 1 = (x + 1)(x^2 + 1)$$

2.a.iii)

Let $A(x)$ be a degree 3 polynomial. If $A(x)$ is reducible, then it must be the product of a degree 1 polynomial and some other polynomial(s) (of degree 2 or 1). In either case, there is a polynomial of degree 1 as a factor. The two possible polynomials of degree 1 are $P_1 = x + 1$ and $P_2 = x$. If A is reducible, then either P_1 or P_2 is a factor of A . Notice P_1 and P_2 are respectively equal to zero when $x = -1$ or $x = 0$. If $A(x)$ is reducible with P_1 as a factor, then $A(-1) = 0$. If $A(x)$ is reducible with P_2 as a factor, then $A(0) = 0$. Otherwise $A(x)$ is irreducible.

Let $A_1(x) = x^3 + x + 1$, then

$$A_1(0) = 0 + 0 + 1 = 1 \text{ and } A_1(-1) = -1 - 1 + 1 = -1$$

Let $A_2(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 1$, then

$$A_2(0) = 0 + 0 + 1 = 1 \text{ and } A_2(-1) = -1 + 1 + 1 = 1$$

Neither $A_1(x)$ or $A_2(x)$ have P_1 or P_2 as factors, and are therefore irreducible.

2.b.i)

Since $x^4 + x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{x^4 + x + 1}$

$$x^4 \equiv x + 1 \pmod{x^4 + x + 1}$$

$$x^5 \equiv x^2 + x \pmod{x^4 + x + 1}$$

$$x^6 \equiv x^3 + x^2 \pmod{x^4 + x + 1}$$

$$f(x)g(x) = (x^2 + 1)(x^3 + x^2 + 1)$$

$$= x^5 + x^3 + x^4 + x^2 + x^2 + 1$$

$$= x^5 + x^3 + x^4 + 1$$

$$= (x^2 + x) + (x + 1) + x^3 + 1$$

$$= x^3 + x^2$$

2.b.ii)

Since $x^4 + x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{x^4 + x + 1}$

$$x^4 + x \equiv 1 \pmod{x^4 + x + 1}$$

$$x(x^3 + 1) \equiv 1 \pmod{x^4 + x + 1}$$

So given $f(x) = x$, then $f^{-1}(x) = (x^3 + 1)$

d.i)

$$y * (ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d)$$

$$\equiv ay^4 + by^3 + cy^2 + dy$$

$$\equiv by^3 + cy^2 + dy + a \pmod{y^4 + 1} \quad (\text{since } y^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{y^4 + 1})$$

d.ii)

Since $1 \equiv y^4 \pmod{y^4 + 1}$,

$y^i \equiv y^i y^4 \equiv y^{i+4} \equiv y^j \pmod{y^4 + 1}$ where $j \equiv i + 4 \equiv i \pmod{4}$ and $0 \leq j \leq 3$.

d.iii)

Let $b = ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d$ represent any 4-byte vector as polynomial.

Since we have d.ii, this can be split into 4 cases.

Case $y^i \equiv y^0 \pmod{y^4 + 1}$:

$$y^i * b = y^0(ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d) \equiv ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d \pmod{y^4 + 1}$$

This is a left circular shift of $j = 0$ bytes.

Case $y^i \equiv y^1 \pmod{y^4 + 1}$:

$$y^i * b = y^1(ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d)$$

$$\equiv by^3 + cy^2 + dy + a \quad (\text{by d.i})$$

This is a left circular shift of $j = 1$ bytes.

Case $y^i \equiv y^2 \pmod{y^4 + 1}$:

$$y^i * b = y^2(ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d)$$

$$= y^1(y^1(ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d))$$

$$\equiv y^1(by^3 + cy^2 + dy + a) \quad (\text{by d.i})$$

$$\equiv cy^3 + dy^2 + ay + b \pmod{y^4 + 1} \quad (\text{by d.i})$$

This is a left circular shift of $j = 2$ bytes.

Case $y^i \equiv y^3 \pmod{y^4 + 1}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
y^i * b &= y^3(ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d) \\
&= y^1 y^1 (y^1(ay^3 + by^2 + cy + d)) \\
&\equiv y^1(y^1(by^3 + cy^2 + dy + a)) \quad (\text{by d.i}) \\
&\equiv y^1(cy^3 + dy^2 + ay + b) \quad (\text{by d.i}) \\
&\equiv dy^3 + ay^2 + by + c \pmod{y^4 + 1} \quad (\text{by d.i})
\end{aligned}$$

This is a left circular shift of $j = 3$ bytes.

In all cases, it is shown that multiplying any 4-byte vector by y^i ($i \geq 0$) is a circular left shift of j bytes where $j \equiv i \pmod{4}$ and $0 \leq j \leq 3$ (d.ii).

→ Answer

Problem 3. Arithmetic with the constant polynomial of MixColumns in AES

3.a)

$$\begin{aligned}
c(1) &= 1 \\
c(2) &= x \\
c(3) &= x + 1
\end{aligned}$$

b.i) $(01)(b) = 1(b_7x^7 + \dots + b_1x + b_0)$
 $d_i = b_i$

b.ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
x^8 &\equiv x^4 + x^3 + x + 1 \pmod{x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1} \\
(02)(b) &= x(b_7x^7 + \dots + b_1x + b_0) \\
&= b_7x^8 + b_6x^7 + \dots + b_1x^2 + b_0x \\
&= b_7(x^4 + x^3 + x + 1) + b_6x^7 + \dots + b_1x^2 + b_0x \\
d &= b_6x^7 + b_5x^6 + b_4x^5 + (b_7 + b_3)x^4 + (b_7 + b_2)x^3 + b_1x^2 + (b_7 + b_0)x + b_7 \\
d_7 &= b_6 \\
d_6 &= b_5 \\
d_5 &= b_4 \\
d_4 &= b_7 + b_3 \\
d_3 &= b_7 + b_2 \\
d_2 &= b_1 \\
d_1 &= b_7 + b_0 \\
d_0 &= b_7
\end{aligned}$$

b.iii)

$$\begin{aligned}
(03)(b) &= (x+1)(b_7x^7 + \dots + b_1x + b_0) \\
&= (b_7x^8 + b_6x^7 + \dots + b_1x^2 + b_0x) + (b_7x^7 + \dots + b_1x + b_0) \\
&= b_7(x^4 + x^3 + x + 1) + (b_6 + b_7)x^7 + \dots + (b_0 + b_1)x + b_0 \\
d_7 &= b_6 + b_7 \\
d_6 &= b_5 + b_6 \\
d_5 &= b_4 + b_5 \\
d_4 &= b_3 + b_4 + b_7 \\
d_3 &= b_2 + b_3 + b_7 \\
d_2 &= b_1 + b_2 \\
d_1 &= b_0 + b_1 + b_7 \\
d_0 &= b_0 + b_7
\end{aligned}$$

c.i)

$$\begin{aligned}
y^4 &\equiv 1 \pmod{y^4 + 1} \\
y^5 &\equiv y \pmod{y^4 + 1} \\
y^6 &\equiv y^2 \pmod{y^4 + 1}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
t(y) &= c(y)s(y) \pmod{y^4 + 1} \\
&= [(03)y^3 + (01)y^2 + (01)y + (02)](s_3y^3 + s_2y^2 + s_1y + s_0) \pmod{y^4 + 1} \\
&= (03)(s_3y^6 + s_2y^5 + s_1y^4 + s_0y^3) \\
&\quad + (01)(s_3y^5 + s_2y^4 + s_1y^3 + s_0y^2) \\
&\quad + (01)(s_3y^4 + s_2y^3 + s_1y^2 + s_0y) \\
&\quad + (02)(s_3y^3 + s_2y^2 + s_1y + s_0) \pmod{y^4 + 1} \\
&= (03)s_3y^6 \\
&\quad + ((03)s_2 + (01)s_3)y^5 \\
&\quad + ((03)s_1 + (01)s_2 + (01)s_3)y^4 \\
&\quad + ((03)s_0 + (01)s_1 + (01)s_2 + (02)s_3)y^3 \\
&\quad + ((01)s_0 + (01)s_1 + (02)s_2)y^2 \\
&\quad + ((01)s_0 + (02)s_1)y \\
&\quad + (02)s_0 \pmod{y^4 + 1} \\
&= (03)s_3y^2 \\
&\quad + ((03)s_2 + (01)s_3)y \\
&\quad + ((03)s_1 + (01)s_2 + (01)s_3) \\
&\quad + ((03)s_0 + (01)s_1 + (01)s_2 + (02)s_3)y^3 \\
&\quad + ((01)s_0 + (01)s_1 + (02)s_2)y^2 \\
&\quad + ((01)s_0 + (02)s_1)y \\
&\quad + (02)s_0 \pmod{y^4 + 1} \\
&= ((03)s_0 + (01)s_1 + (01)s_2 + (02)s_3)y^3 \\
&\quad + ((01)s_0 + (01)s_1 + (02)s_2 + (03)s_3)y^2 \\
&\quad + ((01)s_0 + (02)s_1 + (03)s_2 + (01)s_3)y \\
&\quad + ((02)s_0 + (03)s_1 + (01)s_2 + (01)s_3) \pmod{y^4 + 1}
\end{aligned}$$

c.ii)

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} t_0 \\ t_1 \\ t_2 \\ t_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Answer

Problem 4. Error propagation in block cipher modes

Let C_i denote the encryption of the i -th message block, M_i .

Let P_i denote the plaintext obtained from the decryption of C_i .

a.i)

ECB: Only P_i is affected since the decryption of each block is just a simple block substitution (independent of each other).

ii)

CBC: P_i and P_{i+1} are affected since P_{i+1} is the result of $C_i \oplus C_{i+1}$ but P_{i+2} is the result of $C_{i+1} \oplus C_{i+2}$ (does not depend on C_i).

iii)

OFB: Only P_i is affected since any given decryption state has been generated exclusively from the previous state (which eventually originates from the IV).

iv)

CFB: Only P_i and P_{i+1} are affected. C_i is involved in decrypting P_{i+1} (when it gets combined with the key to create the next cipher block) but C_{i+1} will take its place (in creating the next cipher block) for decrypting P_{i+2} .

v)

CTR: Only P_i is affected since CTR_i (the source of the output block that gets XORed with C_i) is simply an independent counter value.

b)

The error happens before any encryption takes place, so the entire plaintext would be encrypted and decrypted normally, as if the plaintext had no errors in it. Thus, only M_i would be affected.

→ Answer

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