A Masked White-box Cryptographic Implementation for Protecting against Differential Computation Analysis

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Abstract. Recently, gray-box attacks on white-box cryptographic implementations have succeeded. These attacks are more efficient than white-box attacks because they can be performed without detailed knowledge of the target implementation. The success of the gray-box attack is reportedly due to the unbalanced encodings used to generate the whitebox lookup table. In this paper, we propose a method to protect the gray-box attack against white-box implementations. The basic idea is to apply the masking technique before encoding intermediate values during the white-box lookup table generation. Because we do not require any random source in runtime, it is possible to perform efficient encryption and decryption using our method. The security and performance analysis shows that the proposed method can be a reliable and efficient countermeasure.

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1 Introduction

As personal devices become more diverse, the amount of data that needs to be protected has also increased. To protect this broad category of personal information, we use various encryption algorithms which are publicly known. For this reason, we should securely protect the secret key. The attack models that malicious attackers use to recover the secret key can be divided into three layers: the black-box, the gray-box, and the white-box models. As the color of the layer becomes brighter, the amount of information that the attacker can access increases. Attackers in the black-box model are given the in- and output for cryptographic primitives, but in the gray-box model they also utilize additional information leakage, i.e., side-channel information, such as timing or power consumption. As a representative example, Kocher et al. presented Differential Power Analysis (DPA) [18], a statistical analysis of power traces acquired during the execution of a target cryptographic primitive. In addition to all of these, attackers in the white-box model can access and modify all resources in the execution environment. Therefore, if the secret key used for the cryptographic primitive resides in memory without any protection, it may leak directly to the white-box attacker.

The white-box cryptographic implementation is intended to counter this white-box attack: the key idea behind is to embed the secret key in the implementation using precomputed lookup tables and apply linear and non-linear encodings so that it becomes difficult for a white-box attacker to extract the secret key [11] [12]. Although it is a strong point to hide the key in the software implementation, there are three main disadvantages that have been known so far. Since the table itself acts as a secret key, taking the table has the same meaning as taking the secret key. It is often called a code-lifting attack [38]. In this regard, many researchers have attempted to mitigate the code-lifting attack by significantly increasing the size of the lookup table [4] [6]. The serious problem is that spending up to 20-50GB of storage to cope with code-lifting attacks is too costly and at the same time impractical. Second, the use of lookup tables increases the memory requirement and slows down the execution speed compared to a non-white-box implementation of the same algorithm. Moreover, the size of the lookup table has increased considerably with the aforementioned anti-codelifting technique. Finally, many white-box implementations have been practically broken by various attacks including key extraction, table-decomposition, and fault injection attacks [35]. The first two white-box implementations for DES [12] and AES [11] were shown to be vulnerable to differential cryptanalysis [15] [39] as well as algebraic cryptanalytic attacks [3] [23] [27]. Although several further variants of white-box implementations for DES and AES have been proposed [10] [40] [17] [21], many of them were broken [31] [32]. In addition to standard ciphers, research has also been conducted on various non-standard ciphers, commonly named dedicated white-box ciphers [4] [6] [28]. It is worth noting that these attacks have been performed in the white-box model requiring the details of the target implementation.

However, the white-box cryptography currently faces the most serious problem: the gray-box model attack on white-box implementations has succeeded. In other words, it is possible to reveal the secret key embedded in a white-box implementation using side-channel information without any detailed knowledge about it. In general, side-channel analysis, more specifically power analysis, is successful if the key hypothesis of the attacker is correct, since the intermediate value calculated from the correct hypothesis correlates to the power consumption value at a particular point in the power trace. The authors of [7] have developed plugins for dynamic binary instrumentation (DBI) tools including Pin [24] and Valgrind [33] to obtain software execution traces that contain information about the memory addresses being accessed. Their aptly named Differential Computation Analysis (DCA) is more effective because there is no measurement noise in software traces unlike power traces obtained using the oscilloscope in classical DPA. The main reason behind the success of DCA is due to the imbalances in linear and non-linear encodings used in the white-box implementation [36]. The authors of [7] have suggested several methods to counteract DCA including variable encodings [30], threshold implementations [34], splitting the input in multiple shares to different affine equivalence, and a masking scheme using the input data as a random source. Since DCA uses the memory address accesses available in the software traces, some obfuscation techniques including control flow obfuscation and table location randomization have been discussed.

Our contribution. After producing the software traces based on accessed addresses and data, DCA uses them to perform statistical analysis like DPA. Therefore, DCA protection is in line with defense against power analysis. This study is to present a masked white-box implementation for protecting against DCA as well as power analysis. Particularly, Boolean masking is applied during the lookup table generation unlike the existing masking techniques that are applied in runtime. In other words, we do not need any random source at runtime. As a result, the runtime overhead does not increase significantly. We begin by going over the initial white-box AES (WB-AES) [11] to demonstrate its vulnerability to DCA. We apply a masking technique to this vulnerable implementation, and present three variants of the implementation according to the level of security requirements. To evaluate the security of our proposed method, we perform DCA on the masked WB-AES implementation with 128-bit key, and use the Walsh transforms to analyze its security in more detail. The experimental results show that our proposed method effectively defends the attacks. Compared to the existing WB-AES implementation, the lookup table size increases approximately 1.56 to 9.59 times depending on the choice of the implementation variants and the number of lookups increases approximately 1.6 times.

Organization of the paper. The remainder of this paper is organized as follows: Section 2 provides an overview of white-box cryptography and its vulnerabilities to the gray-box attack. We propose a white-box implementation for protecting against DCA in Section 3. We introduce a masked WB-AES implementation and analyze its performance including the lookup table size. In Section 4, we demonstrate the security of our proposed method through DCA and the Walsh transforms. Section 5 concludes this paper.

2 Preliminaries

In this section, we introduce the basic concept of white-box cryptography and provide experimental results about its vulnerability to gray-box attacks.

2.1 Overview of White-box Cryptography

In most cases, a white-box implementation is simply a series of encoded lookup tables which replace individual computational steps of a cryptographic algorithm. Let us give a simple example. For a computational step $y = E_k(p)$, where y, p, $k \in \text{GF}(2^8)$ and k is a small portion of the secret key, let \mathcal{E}_k be an 8×8 lookup table to map p to y . The secret and invertible encodings are then applied to $\mathcal E$ in order to prevent a white-box attacker from recovering the secret key using the input and output values. Let us denote the encodings by G and F , for

Fig. 1: Basic principle of existing white-box cryptographic implementations.

example. Then we have: $\mathcal{E}_k = G \circ E_k \circ F^{-1}$. It is important to remember that each encoding consists of linear and non-linear encodings.

Figure 1 shows a basic principle of existing white-box implementations for a simple cryptographic operation, $E1(p, K1) \oplus E2(q, K2)$. With the same linear encoding applied, the XOR lookup table can be simply generated without decoding the linear encoding. This is because the distributive property of multiplication over addition is satisfied if the same linear encoding is applied to the two lookup values.

2.2 Gray-box Attacks on White-box Cryptography

For a gray-box attacker, suppose the followings:

- The underlying cryptographic algorithm is known, for example AES.
- The details about the type of the implementation and its structure are unknown.
- There is no external encoding in the target implementation; the cryptographic operation seen by the attacker is standard AES encryption (or decryption).
- The attacker can collect power traces (software traces in the case of DCA) while it is operated.

We examine DCA on 20 instances of an unprotected WB-AES-128 implementation [11] under this gray-box attack model. To collect the software execution traces we have followed the approach presented in [7]. We have used Valgrind, a DBI framework, to trace each execution of the target implementation with a random plaintext and recorded all accessed addresses and data over time. Then, those values have been serialized into vectors of ones and zeros for a classical representation of power traces. For each target instance, we have collected 200 software traces with random plaintexts and performed mono-bit Correlation Power Analysis (CPA) [9] attacks, which is known to be more effective than

DPA, on the SubBytes output in the first round using Daredevil [8]. The result reports two top 10 lists:

- the sum of the correlation coefficients for 8 mono-bit CPA attacks for each subkey candidate
- the highest correlation coefficient among the mono-bit CPA results for all subkey candidates

If the subkey is ranked in the top at least one of the two lists, we assumed that it is revealed.

Table 1 shows one of the best cases for the attacker where all the subkeys are revealed, but this is not always happening. For DCA attacks with only 200 software traces on each of 20 instances of the unprotected WB-AES implementation, DCA recovered an average of 14.3 out of 16 subkeys and the standard deviation (S.D) was 2.17. Recovering the small number of missing subkeys is trivial using brute-force attacks. The attack success rate was about 89% (286/320), and the highest value average of the mono-bit CPA correlation coefficient for the correct subkey was 0.557 (S.D = 0.173). In the presence of such correlation to the key, both attack success rate and correlation coefficients can become higher if the number of traces provided to DCA is more than 200.

CPA attacks with the Hamming Weight (HW) model are based on the fact that the power consumption of the target device at any given point in time is proportional or inversely proportional to the HW of the intermediate value. But as shown in Table 1, even in this best case, nearly half of the target bits for each subkey do not show a correlation. For this reason, CPA with the HW model is not used to attack the white-box cryptographic implementation. The multi-bit based CPA also depends on the value of a particular bit set to predict the power consumption, and thus is hardly successful for the same reason. The mono-bit DPA divides the traces based on the target intermediate bit and calculates the difference between the two sets. If the two sets are divided based on the correct hypothetical key, a noticeable spike appears at the target operation point in the differential trace. In the same way, multi-bit DPA divides the two sets based on the HW of the target intermediate value. The important point over here is that there is no fixed set of intermediate bits that always shows the correlation to the key due to the linear and non-linear encodings of the white-box implementation. For this reason, the white-box implementation is being attacked by mono-bit analysis.

For an in-depth understanding where and how key leaks occur, we conducted additional experiments using SCARF [37] [20] [22]. Instead of collecting power traces using an osilloscope, we also collected 200 software traces which serialize the target intermediate value into vectors of ones and zeros, and mounted monobit CPA using the SubBytes output in the first round. The highest peak in the correlation plot shown in Figure 2 was found at the point where the SubBytes output multiplied by 01 was looked up. As will be discussed later, this whitebox implementation contains table lookups for MixColumns, where the SubBytes outputs multiplied by 01 are frequently looked up. Those are the point of interest for this attack.

SubKey TargetBit	1	$\overline{2}$	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11 12 13		14	-15	16
1	1		183 219	1	1	213	$\mathbf{1}$	1	$\mathbf{1}$		213 186 229		1	81	1	1
$\overline{2}$	1	1	1	1	87	1	1	1	209	$\mathbf{1}$	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	17	66	83	46	41				146 151 172 159	34	203	1	1		252 242 205	
$\overline{4}$	1	1	99	225	1	1		249 131	$\mathbf{1}$	1		118 193	$\mathbf{1}$		199 174 223	
5	141	1	1		174 106	1	$\mathbf{1}$		144 205	1	$\mathbf{1}$	68	171	1	1	25
6	256	9		177 194 140		$\mathbf{1}$	182		13 201	$\mathbf{1}$	222	54	155	$\mathbf 1$	69	150
$\overline{7}$	83	212	$\mathbf{1}$		184 78	246		25 181	60		195 196 117 63			65	134 155	
8	1		232 204	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$		249 183	27	$\mathbf{1}$		211 103 95		$\mathbf{1}$		$176\ 230$	17
sum	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	1	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	1	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$
highest	1	$\mathbf{1}$	1	1	1	$\mathbf{1}$	1	1	1	$\mathbf{1}$	1	1	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$
0.5 Correlation $\overline{0}$																
$\bf{0}$						500							1000			
						Point										

Table 1: DCA ranking for the target WB-AES implementation [11] when conducting mono-bit CPA on the SubBytes output in the first round with 200 software traces.

Fig. 2: A peak in the CPA result when attacking the SubBytes output in the first round. Blue line: correct key hypothesis, gray line: wrong key hypothesis.

Sasdrich *et al.* [36] have indicated that the main reason behind successful DCA and CPA attacks is largely due to the high imbalance in encoding used to generate white-box lookup tables. Based on their definitions below, we demonstrate the imbalance in the encoding used for the same lookup table that was attacked above.

Definition 1. Let $x = \langle x_1, \ldots, x_n \rangle$, $\omega = \langle \omega_1, \ldots, \omega_n \rangle$ be elements of $\{0, 1\}^n$ and $x \cdot \omega = x_1 \omega_1 \oplus \ldots \oplus x_n \omega_n$. Let $f(x)$ be a Boolean function of n variables. Then the Walsh transform of the function $f(x)$ is a real valued function over $\{0,1\}^n$ that can be defined as $W_f(\omega) = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{f(x) \oplus x \cdot \omega}$.

Definition 2. Iff the Walsh transform W_f of a Boolean function $f(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ satisfies $W_f(\omega) = 0$, for $0 \leq HW(\omega) \leq m$, it is called a balanced mth order correlation immune function or an m-resilient function.

By Definition 1, the larger the absolute value of $W_f(\omega)$ is, the stronger the correlation between $f(x)$ and $x \cdot \omega$ is. Let us denote the output of SubBytes by x, and the combination with MixColumns, linear and non-linear encodings by 32 Boolean functions $f_{i \in \{1,\ldots,32\}}(x)$: $\{0,1\}^8 \to \{0,1\}$. Here we expect that $f(x)$ will have the greatest correlation when x is derived from the correct key candidate. For all key candidates k^* and for all ω we calculated the Walsh transforms W_{f_i} and summed up all the imbalances for each key candidate as follows:

$$
\Delta_{k \in \{0,1\}^8}^f = \sum_{\forall \omega \in \{0,1\}^8} \sum_{i=1,\dots,32} |W_{f_i}(\omega)|; k^* = k.
$$

Then this gives us as shown in Figure 3 that Δ_k^f of the correct key candidate $(0x88, 136)$ is obviously distinguishable from that of other key candidates. This indicates that $f_i(x)$ and $x \cdot \omega$ are best correlated with the correct key 0x88. In this way the Walsh transforms can be used to calculate the correlation between key-dependent lookup values and hypothetical values.

3 Proposed Method

As aforementioned, the vulnerability to DCA of the previous white-box implementation is due to the imbalanced encoding. Our goal is to reduce the correlation to the key at the intermediate values before encoding them in the process of generating the white-box lookup table. To achieve this, we apply masking with a balanced distribution at the key-sensitive intermediate value. Originally, the masking techniques [1] [5] [13] [26] have been used to force the power consumption signals to be uncorrelated with the secret key and the input and output. We apply this technique, in particular Boolean masking, during the lookup table generation. Before going into more depth, we provide a key idea.

Fig. 3: Sum of all imbalances \varDelta_k^f for all key candidates of the previous WB-AES implementation.

3.1 Key Idea Behind

Figure 4 shows an example of the proposed method applied to $E1(p, K1) \oplus$ $E2(q, K2)$. The key idea behind is to apply masking before encoding the outputs of E1 and E2 while generating lookup tables. Let us denote the lookup tables for E1 and E2 by $\mathcal{E}1$ and $\mathcal{E}2$, respectively. An example of $\mathcal{E}1$ -generating code might look like this:

for $p = 0$ to 255 do pick random $m \in \{0,1\}^8$ $y \leftarrow E1(p, K1) \oplus m$ $\mathcal{E}1[0][p] \leftarrow \text{N1}(\text{L}(m))$ $\mathcal{E}1[1][p] \leftarrow \text{N2}(\text{L}(y)),$

where the input p is not assumed to be encoded. The most important point over here is that the mask should be selected uniformly at random, so 256 different masks are used to generate $\mathcal{E}1$ (or $\mathcal{E}2$). Encoding the used masks, in particular with the same linear transformation, not only protects them but also makes it easy to unmask through the XOR operations by the distributive property of multiplication over addition. The lookup values for an input p (resp. q) to $\mathcal{E}1$ (resp. $\mathcal{E}2$) are the following two values: an encoded key-sensitive intermediate value which is masked, and an encoded mask. To cancel out the masks, they are XORed by the following XOR lookup tables as shown in Figure 4. The order of the XOR table lookups has to be kept for the complete unmasking. We implement a WB-AES implementation with 128-bit key using this principle.

3.2 White-box AES Implementation

Since we protect a particular part of the implementation presented in [11] [29] we focus on the protected part and briefly describe the rest. With AES-128 written below, AddRoundKey, SubBytes, and part of MixColumns are combined into a series of lookup tables. In the following, we use k^r for the 4×4 round key matrix at round r , lowering indices $_{i,j}$ for the current byte position in the round key matrix, and use $\mathbf{k}_{i,j}^r$ to indicate that the ShiftRows is applied to $k_{i,j}^r$, where i denotes the row index and j the column index.

```
state \leftarrow plaintext
for r = 1 to 9 do
     ShiftRows(state)
      AddRoundKey(state, k^{r-1})
     SubBytes(state)
     MixColumns(state)
ShiftRows(state)
AddRoundKey (state, k^9)
SubBytes(state)
AddRoundKey(state, k^{10})
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Fig. 4: Basic principle of the proposed white-box cryptographic implementation.

 $ciphertext \leftarrow state$

At first, T-boxes which is a set of 160 8×8 lookup tables combines AddRoundKey and SubBytes as follows:

$$
T_{i,j}^r(p) = S(p \oplus k_{i,j}^{r-1}), \quad \text{for } 0 \le i, j \le 3, \text{ and } 1 \le r \le 9,
$$

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$$
T_{i,j}^{10}(p) = S(p \oplus k_{i,j}^{9}) \oplus k_{i,j}^{10}, \text{ for } 0 \le i, j \le 3.
$$

Let us denote (x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3) a column of four bytes to be multiplied with the MixColumns matrix. That multiplication is then decomposed as follows:

$$
\begin{pmatrix}\n02 & 03 & 01 & 01 \\
01 & 02 & 03 & 01 \\
01 & 01 & 02 & 03 \\
03 & 01 & 01 & 02\n\end{pmatrix}\n\begin{pmatrix}\nx_0 \\
x_1 \\
x_2 \\
x_3\n\end{pmatrix} = \n\begin{pmatrix}\n02 \\
01 \\
01 \\
03\n\end{pmatrix} \oplus x_1\n\begin{pmatrix}\n03 \\
02 \\
01 \\
01\n\end{pmatrix} \oplus x_2\n\begin{pmatrix}\n01 \\
03 \\
02 \\
01\n\end{pmatrix} \oplus x_3\n\begin{pmatrix}\n01 \\
01 \\
03 \\
02\n\end{pmatrix}.
$$

For the right-hand side (say y_0 , y_1 , y_2 , y_3), the commonly named Ty_i tables are defined as follows: $T_{31}(\alpha) = \alpha$ [02.01.01.03]^T

$$
T y_0(x) = x \cdot [02 \ 01 \ 01 \ 03]^T
$$

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$$
T y_1(x) = x \cdot [03 \ 02 \ 01 \ 01]^T
$$

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$$
T y_2(x) = x \cdot [01 \ 03 \ 02 \ 01]^T
$$

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$$
T y_3(x) = x \cdot [01 \ 01 \ 03 \ 02]^T.
$$

Fig. 5: TypeII, III, IV and TypeV tables in the unprotected WB-AES implementation [11]. In/outputs at the same level have the same length.

The 32-bit result of $y_0 \oplus y_1 \oplus y_2 \oplus y_3$ can be computed via the XOR table lookups. An XOR lookup table takes two 4-bit inputs and maps them to their XORed value, so the XOR operation of two 32-bit values is performed using 8 copies of XOR lookup tables. Because the MixColumns result requires twelve 32-bit XORs for each round, the previous WB-AES implementation includes 96 copies of the XOR lookup tables per round, a total of 864 copies.

Figure 5 simply illustrates the commonly named TypeII, TypeIII, TypeIV and TypeV tables. TypeII is generated from the composition of $T\text{-}boxes$ and Ty_i , and TypeIII cancels the effect of linear transformation applied to TypeII outputs and takes care of the inversion of linear transformation applied to TypeII inputs of the next round. To avoid the huge size of TypeIII tables, the 32×32 decoding matrix for the inversion is divided into four submatrices. In addition, TypeIV which is a set of the XOR lookup tables is looked up to combine intermediate values of TypeII and TypeIII. The tables for combining the lookup values of TypeII and TypeIII are named TypeIV II and TypeIV III, respectively [11]. Finally, the lookup table for the final round, say TypeV, is generated from T^{10} without Ty_i because MixColumns is not included in the final round (TypeI which is related to external encoding is not discussed in this paper).

3.3 Masked White-box AES Implementation

In the proposed method, we mainly protect three key-dependent values. First, the MixColumns output must be protected because it can not be secured solely by the problematic encodings. As demonstrated previously, each subkey can be easily revealed by performing DCA with $2⁸$ guesses. Second, the last round input, that is each subbyte input to the last round, can be a target intermediate value if an attacker knows $\mathbf{k}_{i,j}^9$ and $k_{i,j}^{10}$, which require 2^{16} guesses, because the inverse S-box is known. Third, each subbyte of the second round input can also be a target intermediate value if an attacker is able to guess 2^{32} subkey candidates. Therefore, we basically apply random masks to the MixColumns outputs before encoding them, and replace the 4-bit random bijections used in the non-linear encodings with the 8-bit random bijections for the second and the final round inputs, depending on the security requirement. We note that the non-linear encodings for each subbyte of the round output in the previous unprotected white-box implementation consist of two concatenated 4-bit random bijections, but they could not hide the correlation to the key. This is because when a non-linear encoding is performed on a given subbyte, the upper 4-bit bijections can not influence the lower 4-bit bijections at all. In other words, if one of the upper 4 bits is changed but the lower 4 bits are the same, the lower 4 bits after the two concatenated 4-bit bijections are not affected by the upper 4 bits. Because of this fact, the two concatenated 4-bit random bijections could not be 8-bit random bijections. Therefore, it is decided to perform non-linear encodings by 8-bit random bijections at the attack point although the size of the XOR lookup table increases. This gives us the following three cases of the proposed implementations depending on the security requirements.

- CASE 1: Applying the masking technique to the intermediate values before encoding them
- CASE 2: And applying the non-linear encoding of the 8-bit random bijections at the 9^{th} round output
- CASE 3: And applying the non-linear encoding of the 8-bit random bijections at the 1^{st} round output.

CASE 1. In CASE 1 [25], we mainly protect the output of Ty_i ; recall that the linear and non-linear encodings were directly applied to it. Let (z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) denote the four-byte output of Ty_i . Each byte of them is to be masked using M defined in Algorithm 1. The used masks are also encoded and stored in our protected lookup table named TypeII-M (Masked) as illustrated in Figure 6. As pointed out earlier, the linear encoding applied to $(\hat{z}_0, \hat{z}_1, \hat{z}_2, \hat{z}_3)$ and the masks has to be the same, so that the unmasking can be performed by the XOR table lookups. We generate TypeIV IIA and TypeIV IIB tables to perform the XOR operations on the masked values and unmask them, respectively, as shown in Figure 7. To be specific, TypeIV IIA consists of 864 ($=9\times96$) copies of TypeIV, but TypeIV_IIB contains 1152 (=9×128) copies. As we know that

$$
T_{i,j}^{10}(p) = S(p \oplus \mathbf{k}_{i,j}^9) \oplus k_{i,j}^{10}, \text{for } 0 \le i, j \le 3,
$$

Algorithm 1 Masking function M

	1: procedure $M(z)$	\triangleright Choose a random mask and apply it to z
	2: $m \in_R \{0,1\}^8$	
	3: $\hat{z} \leftarrow z \oplus m$	
4:	return (\hat{z}, m)	\triangleright masked z and the mask used

Fig. 6: TypeII-M tables in our WB-AES implementation.

each subbyte of the 9^{th} round output can be attacked if an attacker can guess two subkeys $(\mathbf{k}_{i,j}^9 \text{ and } k_{i,j}^{10})$ of the final round. This is because there is no MixColumns in the final round, and is not impossible due to the fact that the encoding to protect the round output is imbalanced. Let S^{-1} be the inverse S-box. Then we know

$$
S^{-1}(T_{i,j}^{10}(p) \oplus k_{i,j}^{10}) \oplus k_{i,j}^{9} = p, \text{for } 0 \le i, j \le 3.
$$

There are two points to keep in mind. First, the $T_{i,j}^{10}(p)$ output is not encoded because we assumed that there is no external encoding, and thus this becomes a subbyte of the ciphertext. Second, p of $T_{i,j}^{10}(p)$ is equal to a decoded subbyte of the $9th$ round output, which is a decoded input to TypeV. The crucial observation over here is that there will be a correlation between p and the corresponding subbyte of the $9th$ round output owing to the encoding imbalance. To demonstrate an attack based on this fact, we did a simple experiment using the Walsh transform. Suppose that $k_{0,0}^9$ is known and we want to see if the sum of all imbalances for $k_{0,0}^{10}$ will produce a noticeable peak like in the case of Figure 3. So given $T_{0,0}^{10}(p)$, the first subbyte of the ciphertext, we define Δ_k^g in a similar way

Fig. 7: TypeII-M and TypeIV II tables (ShiftRows omitted).

to Section 2.2:

$$
\varDelta_{k \in \{0,1\}^8}^g = \sum_{\forall \omega \in \{0,1\}^8} \sum_{i=1,...,8} |W_{g_i}(\omega)|,
$$

where 8 Boolean functions $g_{i \in \{1,\ldots,8\}}(p)$: $\{0,1\}^8 \to \{0,1\}$ provide each bit of the first subbyte of the 9^{th} round output (TypeV input). In other words, $g(p)$ is the encoded p to the last round lookup table, TypeV. As a result, Figure 8 shows Δ_k^g that distinguishes the correct subkey ($k_{0,0}^{10} = 0x36, 54$) from other candidates.

CASE 2 & CASE 3. To increase the security level in relation to this vulnerability, the CASE 2 and CASE 3 implementations require that the non-linear encoding be 8-bit random bijections, instead of 4-bit bijections, at the boundary between the 9^{th} and the final rounds. By doing so, there will be the similar effect as if masking is applied to each subbyte of the $9th$ round output. TypeIV IIC is defined for this purpose and shown in Figure 9a. This taskes two bytes as input: one comes from TypeIV IIB and the other comes from TypeII-M as shown in Figure 10. In a nutshell, TypeIV_IIA combines the masked Ty_i intermediate

Fig. 8: Sum of all imbalances Δ_k^g at the TypeV input for all key candidates.

values, and TypeIV IIB combines the TypeIV IIA lookup value and the masks. Then, TypeIV IIC combines the TypeIV IIB lookup value and the remaining mask, and its lookup values are protected particularly by using the 8-bit random bijections. Thus, TypeIII in the 9^{th} round, named TypeIII-N (8-bit Nonlinear encoding) shown in Figure 9b must be generated with the corresponding 8-bit bijections for the input decoding. While TypeIV IIIA is the same type with TypeIV, TypeIV IIIB is generated with the 8-bit random bijections for the round output like in the case of TypeIV_{IIC}. TypeIII-N and TypeIV_{III} are illustrated in Figure 11. Since the 8-bit bijections are applied to each subbyte of the $9th$ round output, the decoding for this must also be 8-bit bijections. The lookup table for the final round in the CASE 2 and CASE 3 implementations is then defined as TypeV-N (8-bit Non-linear encoding) as illustrated in Figure 9c.

Fig. 9: Added tables in the CASE 2 and CASE 3 implementations.

CASE 3. The last vulnerability we want to deal with is that the CPA attack on the second round input using the 32-bit key hypothesis is computationally expensive but theoretically feasible because the proposed masking method does not provide protection at this point. To solve this problem, the first round in CASE 3 is also implemented like in the case of the protected 9^{th} round. Therefore, the decoding of the input to the 2^{nd} round lookup table has to use the 8-bit bijections. This second round lookup table is named TypeII-MN (Masked and 8-bit Non-linear encoding) and illustrated in Figure 12. Table 2 summarizes the bijection length for each table added in our implementation and Figure 13 provides table lookup sequences for each case.

3.4 Size and Performance

Lookup table size. We now have a masked white-box implementation of AES-128. With the external encoding excluded, the total table size of the unprotected implementation [11] is computed as follows:

– TypeII : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times 256 \times 4 = 147,456$ bytes.

Fig. 10: TypeII-M and TypeIV_{-II} tables in the 9^{th} round of the CASE 2 and CASE 3 implementations.

Fig. 11: TypeIII-N and TypeIV_III in the 9^{th} round of the CASE 2 and CASE 3 implementations.

Fig. 12: TypeII-MN in the second round of the CASE 3 implementation.

- TypeIV_{-II} : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 128 = 110,592$ bytes.
- TypeIII : $147,456$ bytes.
- TypeIV III : 110,592 bytes.
- TypeV : $4 \times 4 \times 256 = 4,096$ bytes.

Thus their total size is 520,192 bytes.

In CASE 1, TypeIII, TypeIV III, TypeV are the same with the unprotected implementation, but the sizes of TypeII-M and TypeIV II (TypeIV IIA + TypeIV IIB) are

- TypeII-M : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times 256 \times 2 \times 4 = 294,912$ bytes.
- TypeIV_II : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times (3 \times 2 \times 128 + 4 \times 2 \times 128) = 258,048$ bytes.

Then, the total size of the lookup tables is 815,104 bytes. In comparison, the lookup table size increases 1.56 times.

In CASE 2, the main differences to CASE 1 are the TypeIV II and TypeIV III structures in the $9th$ round. Specifically, the sizes of TypeIV IIA and TypeIV IIB in the 9th round are 12,288 (=4×4×3×2×128) bytes, while the size of Type_IIC is 1,048,576 bytes ($=4\times4\times65536$, 1MB). In addition, the TypeIV IIIA size in the 9th round becomes 8,192 ($=4\times4\times2\times2\times128$) bytes, and the TypeIV IIIB size becomes 1MB. It is important to notice that the TypeV-N size is the same as TypeV. Then the total size is 2,904,064 bytes and increases by 5.58 times compared to the unprotected implementation as follows.

Type		Bijection length (bit)	CASE
	Input decoding Output encoding		
TypeII-M			1,2,3
TypeII-MN	8	4	3
TypeIV_IIA & B		4	1,2,3
TypeIV_IIC	4	8	2,3
TypeIII-N	8	4	2,3
TypeIV_IIIA		4	2,3
TypeIV_IIIB		8	2,3
TypeV-N			2,3

Table 2: Added tables in our implementation.

- TypeII-M : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times 256 \times 2 \times 4 = 294.912$ bytes.
- TypeIV_II: $8 \times 4 \times 4 \times (3 \times 2 \times 128 + 4 \times 2 \times 128) + 4 \times 4 \times (2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 128 + 256 \times 256)$ $= 1,302,528$ bytes.
- $-$ TypeIII + TypeIII-N : 147,456 bytes.
- TypeIV_III : $8 \times 4 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 128 + 1,056,768 = 1,155,072$ bytes.
- TypeV-N : $4 \times 4 \times 256 = 4,096$ bytes.

In CASE 3, the protection technique with the 8-bit random bijections used at the boundary of the $9th$ and the final round of CASE 2 is also applied in the first round. This gives us the following, and the total size is 4,993,024 bytes that is 9.59 times larger than the unprotected implementation.

- TypeII-M + TypeII-MN : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times 256 \times 2 \times 4 = 294,912$ bytes.
- TypeIV II : $7 \times 4 \times 4 \times (3 \times 2 \times 128 + 4 \times 2 \times 128) + 2 \times (4 \times 4 \times (2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 128 +$ (256×256)) = 2,347,008 bytes.
- TypeIII + TypeIII-N : $147,456$ bytes.
- TypeIV_III : $7 \times 4 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 128 + 2,113,536 = 2,199,552$ bytes.
- TypeV-N : $4 \times 4 \times 256 = 4,096$ bytes.

The number of lookups. Since most of operations are table lookups except for ShiftRows, we compare the number of lookups. During each execution, the lookups for each table in the unprotected WB-AES implementation are counted as follows.

- TypeII : $9 \times 4 \times 4 = 144$.
- TypeIV_{-II}: $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 = 864$.
- TypeIII : $9 \times 4 \times 4 = 144$.
- TypeIV_III : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 = 864$.
- TypeV : $4 \times 4 = 16$.

Then, there are 2,032 lookups in total. Compared to this, the only differences in CASE 1 are

- TypeII-M : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times 2 = 288$.
- TypeIV_II : $9 \times 4 \times 4 \times (3 \times 2 + 4 \times 2) = 2016$.

Round 1 - 9						Round 10
TypeII-M	TypeIV IIA	TypeIV IIB	Type III	TypeIV III		TypeV
			(a) CASE 1			
Round 1 - 8						
TypeII-M	TypeIV_IIA	TypeIV_IIB	TypeIII	TypeIV_III		
Round 9						
TypeII-M	TypeIV_IIA	TypeIV_IIB	TypeIV_IIC	TypeIII-N	TypeIV_IIIA	TypeIV_IIIB
Round 10 TypeV-N						
			(b) CASE 2			
Round 1						
TypeII-M	TypeIV IIA	TypeIV_IIB	TypeIV_IIC	TypeIII-N	TypeIV IIIA	TypeIV IIIB
Round ₂						
TypeII-MN	TypeIV_IIA	TypeIV_IIB	TypeIII	TypeIV_III		
Round 3 - 8						
TypeII-M	TypeIV IIA	TypeIV IIB	TypeIII	TypeIV_III		
Round 9						
TypeII-M	TypeIV_IIA	TypeIV_IIB	TypeIV_IIC	TypeIII-N	TypeIV_IIIA	TypeIV IIIB
Round 10 TypeV-N						

(c) CASE 3 Fig. 13: Table lookup sequences in the CASE 1-3 implementations.

Then 3,328 lookups are performed during each execution of our masked WB-AES implementation, and thus the number of table lookups increases by 1.63 times compared to the unprotected one. The numbers of lookups in CASE 2 and CASE 3 are 3,296 and 3,264, respectively. These are 1.62 and 1.6 times, respectively, compared to the unprotected implementation. We can find that the number of table lookups decrease as the protection is enhanced because the number of the 8-bit unit XOR table lookup increases. Therefore, it is necessary to make a careful choice according to the security requirement level and available resources in the device to which this countermeasure is applied.

Figure 14 shows the memory accesses performed by our CASE 1 implementation on the stack. One can see repeated memory access patterns from round 1 to round 9. In the final round, memory access is relatively small due to the absence of MixColumns.

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Fig. 14: Visualization of a software execution trace of our WB-AES implementation. Green: addresses of memory locations being read, Red: being written.

4 Security Analysis and Experimental Results

In this section, we begin with the problematic encoding, which is composed of invertible linear transformations and two concatenated 4-bit random bijections. Let us denote that encoding by λ , and let $\delta = \Pr[y_i = \lambda(y)_j]$, given i, j in the range of 0 to 7, and for all $y \in \text{GF}(2^8)$, where $\lambda(y)$: $\{0,1\}^8 \to \{0,1\}^8$ and y_i means the i^{th} bit of y. Based on the fact that DCA and power analysis on the previous white-box implementations are possible due to the imbalance in λ , we can conclude that δ is noticeably greater (or less) than $1/2$ enough to cause the correlation between y_i and $\lambda(y)_j$. If $\delta = 0$ as an extreme example, then y_i and $\lambda(y)_i$ are negatively correlated to each other. To make y_i uncorrelated to a particular bit of the λ output, our proposed method applies random masks for each value of $y \in \text{GF}(2^8)$. If the mask is picked uniformly at random, then 256 masks are applied. What is important over here is that if the mask m is random, $(m \oplus y)$ and its jth bit are also random. This gives us the following observation that

$$
\hat{\delta} = \Pr[y_i = \lambda(y \oplus m)_j] = 1/2,
$$

where m is random for each y. Consequently, y_i and $\lambda(y \oplus m)_j$ will be uncorrelated to each other, and we can conclude that mono-bit CPA attacks are hardly to succeed.

In terms of the Walsh transforms of $Definition\,1$, by randomly masking the key-intermediate values before encoding them, we have

$$
W_{f_i}(\omega) = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^8} (-1)^{f_i(x \oplus m \in_R \{0,1\}^8) \oplus x \cdot \omega}
$$

$$
\Leftrightarrow \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^8} (-1)^{f_i(m' \in_R \{0,1\}^8) \oplus x \cdot \omega},
$$

and this gives us

$$
\Delta_{CorrectSubKey}^f \approx \Delta_{WrongSubKey}^f,
$$

because m is picked uniformly at random for each x and thus $f(m' \in_R \{0,1\}^8)$ will not correlate to $x \cdot \omega$. Figure 15 shows the sum of imbalances Δ_k^f at the TypeII-M lookup values and now we can see there is no distinguishable peak for the correct subkey.

Fig. 15: Sum of all imbalances Δ_k^f at the TypeII-M output in the CASE 1 implementation.

In the CASE 2 and CASE 3 implementations, the non-linear encoding for each subbyte of the 1^{st} and 9^{th} round outputs is performed with the 8-bit random bijections. Thus, $g(p)$ now involves non-linear encodings by 8-bit random bijections instead of two concatenated 4-bit ones. To show that

$$
\Delta_{CorrectSubKey}^{g} \approx \Delta_{WrongSubKey}^{g},
$$

we calculated Δ_k^g for the TypeV-N input and Figure 16 shows that there is no spike at the correct subkey. This is because 8-bit random bijections are used to eliminate correlation before and after non-linear encodings.

One might choose random masks with the HW of 4, but in this case the number of masks is reduced compared to using a full range of masks. There are mainly two reasons why a CPA attack based on a model other than the mono-bit model is unlikely to be achieved on our proposed implementation. As aforementioned, the randomly chosen encoding randomly changes the HW and the bit-to-bit

Fig. 16: Sum of all imbalances Δ_k^g at the TypeV-N input in the CASE 2 and CASE 3 implementations.

correlation before and after the encoding also varies from case to case. Furthermore, masking before the encoding makes the HW of the encoded output more unpredictable. Then we have:

$$
\hat{\delta} = \Pr[\text{HW}(y) = \text{HW}(\lambda(y \oplus m))] = 1/9,
$$

which makes CPA based on the HW-model unsuccessful. For this reason, we focus on mono-bit CPA in the following experiments.

DCA and Results. We have generated 20 target instances of our CASE 1 implementation to be attacked by DCA. For more accurate attacks, 10,000 software traces were generated with random plaintexts for each target instance. DCA was performed with mono-bit CPA attacks on the SubBytes output in the first round. The entire first round was observed in order to check whether the key is leaked in the masked values or in the process of unmasking them. We note that the expected number of successful guessing subkeys is 1.25 (= $320/256$), and the probability of the successful attack is 0.39% . Let's call our 20 attacks ATK $\#1$, . . . , ATK #20. Consequently, 4 out of 320 correct subkeys were ranked at the top in at least one list (sum or highest) as shown in Table 3. (All DCA ranking tables can be found in [19].) However, the following analysis shows that the revealed subkeys were accidentally found. The main reasons for this conclusion are that two key leakages occurred at the points where the SubBytes outputs multiplied by 02 were looked up, and the other two occurred at the points where the encoded masks were looked up.

We provide the full DCA rankings of ATK $\#12$, ATK $\#14$, ATK $\#17$, and ATK #18 in Table 4, 5, 6 and 7, respectively, in order to find out which target bit of the hypothetical value correlates to the key. It is important to notice again that the mono-bit CPA ranking itself does not determine the subkey, but is determined based on the sum of the correlation coefficients for each target bit or the highest correlation coefficient. We determined ω based on the correlated target bits for the leaked subkeys, and calculated their Walsh transforms.

For ATK $\#12$ and ATK $\#17$, let's see Table 4, Figure 17a and Table 6, Figure 17b, respectively. In case of ATK $#12$, we can know that the 2^{nd} -bit-based CPA revealed the 15th subkey, and its leak point was $f_{24}(\cdot)$. To understand how

 $\overline{}$ ATK $\#$ SubKey $\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 \end{array}$ 1 2 2/5 3 4 5 $\boxed{6}$ $\boxed{8/4}$ 7 8 \parallel 3/ /6 9 $5/3$ /6 7/ 10 9/ /3 \vert /4 $\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|}\n\hline\n12 & 5/3 & 5/ & 1/1/2 \\
\hline\n\end{array}$ 13 \parallel 9/ 3/ 6/ 14 /1 /4 15 /6 16 /7 17 1/9 $\frac{1}{8}$ 1/2 $\frac{19}{20}$ $\overline{3/}$

Table 3: Sum/Highest DCA ranking of the correct subkey. If the correct one is not in the top 10, we leave it blank.

Fig. 17: Walsh transforms for $f_{i \in \{1,\ldots,32\}}(\cdot)$ of ATK #12 and ATK #17. Black line: correct key, gray line: wrong key candidates.

Fig. 18: Walsh transforms for $f_{i \in \{1,\ldots,32\}}(\cdot)$ of ATK #14 and ATK #18. Black

line: correct key, gray line: wrong key candidates.

Table 4: DCA ranking of ATK $#12$.

SubKey TargetBit		\mathcal{D}	-3	$\overline{4}$	5°	- 6		7 8 9 10	- 11				12 13 14 15 16
	20	19									156 151 228 101 158 89 78 232 199 110 141 210 58 64		
$\overline{2}$	169							41 30 188 189 24 149 196 162 101 237 103 38				$\mathbf{1}$	-118
3											218 113 51 138 166 63 97 2 237 53 227 138 163 227 55 2		
4													190 53 33 65 55 212 146 177 2 152 225 119 9 230 30 253
5			138 142 62 3		16								4 184 121 107 170 23 253 97 143 151 160
6	137										99 206 184 165 44 111 73 27 148 119 247 52 152 29 71		
	61							137 43 108 223 197 172 223 199 71					70 131 84 84 149 240
8			106 202 102								4 200 58 254 156 65 51 84 178 138 238 14 83		

Table 5: DCA ranking of ATK $#14$.

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to interpret $f_{24}(\cdot)$ related to the 15^{th} subkey in the first round, recall Section 3.2 that the 15th subkey is involved into x of $Ty_2(x)$, where

$$
Ty_2(x) = x \cdot [01\ 03\ 02\ 01]^T,
$$

and x is the SubBytes output. Then this gives us $f_{24}(\cdot)$ is the LSB of the encoded byte of $(x \cdot 02) \oplus m \in_R \{0,1\}^8$, where $(x \cdot 02)$ is implemented as a 1-bit left shift followed by a conditional $(\oplus 0x1B)$ if the MSB of x was 1. Therefore, this key leak is considered accidental since this has nothing to do with the 2^{nd} bit of the target hypothetical SubBytes output. An explanation of the accidental key leak in ATK #17 can be given in the same way. When performing CPA with the $7th$ bit of the hypothetical SubBytes output, $f_{19}(\cdot)$ is shown to be not first-order correlation immune, where $f_{19}(\cdot)$ is the 6th of the encoded byte of $(x \cdot 02) \oplus m$ $\in_R \{0,1\}^8$. They are irrelevant to each other.

In ATK $#14$ and ATK $#18$, we can not see any distinguishable imbalance that is likely to reveal the subkey as shown in Figure 18. Interestingly, we found that key leakages occurred at the unexpected points: during the lookup of the encoded masks as shown in Figure 19, where $\bar{f}_{i\in\{1,\ldots,32\}}(x)$ denotes 32 Boolean functions for the encoded masks and x is the SubBytes output. In other words, $\bar{f}(x)$ means the encoded random masks used to protect the 4-byte intermediate value of the

SubKey TargetBit		2	3	5°	6 7 8		- 9	- 10		11 12 13 14 15 16		
		54 242 59 27 127 171 9 174 249 72 135 151 31 28										12 256
$\overline{2}$	23	-33										64 195 85 104 154 216 226 31 222 137 173 225 132 113
3		151 145 221 80 126 238 11 134 236 181 224 250 154 30										12 203
4		255 237 62			63 20 217 160 218 225 101 197 125 207 134 16 211							
5												209 93 107 204 11 194 92 254 220 18 110 223 106 154 38 224
6		197 132 211 252 151 173 7								50 71 49 39 29 212 20	3	-177
		138 161 220 246 16 60 251 46 223 199 35 158 196 129									$\overline{1}$	209
8												159 192 204 13 120 237 231 253 202 71 72 45 142 251 10 238

Table 6: DCA ranking of ATK $\#17.$

SubKey TargetBit		$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{L}}$	- 3	$\overline{4}$		5 6 7 8 9		- 10	11 12 13 14 15 16		
									174 52 230 105 91 122 229 39 84 194 213 221 118 38 158 32		
$\overline{2}$									158 176 107 84 22 190 56 61 33 228 197 123 44 125 97 16		
3	202 30 239 254 181 142 201 23 21 190 147 117 22 242 185 248										
$\overline{4}$									132 252 126 232 29 95 20 41 126 12 254 72 155 166 91		
5									134 62 79 110 163 5 6 88 1 256 24 88 137 196 174 122		
6	243 147 88 27 68 184 72 212 133 246 196 83 176 145 18 239										
									193 222 162 168 45 26 225 234 242 73 144 92 181 6 34 167		
8	11252 192		67	-39	-141	-31			21 129 119 147 14 215 151 158 154 160		

Table 7: DCA ranking of ATK $\#18$.

MixColumns. Since the randomly generated mask is not key sensitive, these can not be the key leakages. Therefore, it can be concluded that there was no key leakage in the correct sense.

(a) On the 9^{th} byte of the state matrix in ATK #14 with $\omega = 128$

(b) On the 9^{th} byte of the state matrix in ATK #18 with $\omega = 16$.

Fig. 19: Walsh transforms for $\bar{f}_{i\in\{1,\ldots,32\}}(\cdot)$ of ATK #14 and ATK #18. Black line: correct key, gray line: wrong key candidates.

The histogram and normal distribution of the 2560 ($=20\times16\times8$) mono-bit CPA rankings are shown in Figure 20. The average ranking of the mono-bit CPA attacks for the correct subkey is 128.98 (S.D = 74.61). The highest value average of the mono-bit CPA correlation coefficient for the correct subkey was just 0.206 $(S.D = 0.022)$. It is much lower than 0.557, that of the unprotected whitebox implementation attacked with only 200 software traces. In conclusion, the correlation to the key is drastically reduced through Boolean masking applied before encoding, and our method can be used as an efficient countermeasure against DCA and power analysis by significantly mitigating key leakage caused by the encoding imbalance.

5 Conclusion and Discussion

In this paper, we proposed a masked white-box cryptographic implementation to protect DCA attacks. First, we generated 20 target instances according to

Fig. 20: CPA ranking histogram and normal distribution.

the unprotected WB-AES implementation and performed DCA on the SubBytes output in the first round with 200 software traces. As a result, an average of 14.3 subkeys were leaked and the average of the highest CPA correlation coefficient for the correct subkey was 0.557. In order to testify the problematic encoding imbalance we provided the sum of all imbalances that distinguishes the correct key from other key candidates.

To solve this problem, we applied masking to the intermediate value before applying the encoding during the white-box table generation. Based on this basic idea, a design method of the masked WB-AES implementation was suggested. To demonstrate its security, DCA was performed with 10,000 software traces for each of 20 instances. Although 4 out of the 320 subkeys were leaked as a result, we showed that they can not be seen as key leakages because a correlation has occurred at a point where the target intermediate value has nothing to do with the key value. The highest CPA correlation coefficient of the correct subkey was 0.206 in average. Collectively, we can conclude that our proposed method can practically defend DCA and power analysis on white-box cryptographic implementations.

We presented three variants based on the security requirement level for DCA and power analysis attacks. Compared to the unprotected WB-AES implementation, the lookup table size increased by approximately 1.56 to 9.59 times, and the number of lookups by about 1.6 times. Thus a careful choice has to be made where and how to apply this countermeasure. An additional attractive point is that there is no need for a random source at runtime. Of course, the storage requirements of our proposed method might be not suitable for low-cost and resource-constrained devices like IC cards, but are likely to be available to other smart devices.

While there are a variety of problems and limitations, white-box cryptographic implementations certainly have advantages in environments where hardware cryptographic equipment is not available. In addition, it is easy to update the key or the cryptographic logic compared to the hardware device. Another interesting point is that the white-box cryptographic implementation for the symmetric key algorithm can be applied to asymmetric key applications because the encryption and the decryption lookup tables are different from each other. Currently, various companies [14] [2] [16] are trying to commercialize white-box cryptography, and more and more white-box solutions will be provided in the future. In the case of software-based cryptographic implementations, the secret keys that reside in memory are likely to leak if they do not have any protection. Therefore, the level of protection should also be chosen appropriately, taking into account the value of the protected information.

Directions for future work include developing various designs of other block ciphers and combining additional techniques to provide resistance to white-box attacks. Also, applying other kinds of masking techniques can be taken into account.

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TargetBit	KeyByte		$\overline{2}$	3	$\overline{4}$	5	- 6	7 8		9 10		11 12 13 14 15		-16
		53						62 138 179 245 167 214 146 85 57 223 244 32						38 169 152
$\overline{2}$		36	12	70.								17 160 241 244 19 148 184 113 119 68 195 96		-20
3								190 238 226 76 80 250 183 58 10		$\overline{4}$		193 113 49 252 232 85		
4								52 168 234 153 235 92 20 177 70				19 232 84 213 245 193 187		
5												223 113 193 239 44 253 241 69 134 34 93 123 158 163 151 165		
6		42.										75 168 256 199 39 120 181 57 122 43 194 205 176 170 89		
												179 170 236 215 230 98 152 82 52 250 124 122 206 79		88 234
8			198 111 149 158 79				97					81 55 107 153 87 96 219 240 166 18		
sum														
highest														

Table 8: DCA ranking of ATK $#1$. If the correct key is not in the top 10, we leave it blank. \mathbf{u}

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A DCA Ranking Tables

The following tables represent the DCA results for ATK $#1$ - ATK $#20$, except for ATK $\#12$, ATK $\#14$, ATK $\#17$ and ATK $\#18$ that were provided in Section 4. If the correct key is not in the top 10, we leave it blank.

KeyByte TargetBit		$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{L}}$	- 3		4 5	6 7 8 9 10				-11	-12	13 14 15			-16
		44 229	-36		54 233 67			37 74 23	47			71 160 203 195 208 87			
2															15 223 161 247 229 211 76 165 205 188 78 179 45 188 61 169
3		171 219 117 156 171 82 176 127 113 90								41		64 138 125 108 129			
4		81 184 62 202 56 50 211 108 198 53 217 71										-76	41	155 115	
5		186 31 161		-19	-76							61 206 32 202 71 33 102 123 131 15 177			
6		256 238 49		80								16 232 185 34 73 236 130 110 178 242		\mathcal{D}	-32
	87	64	$\overline{4}$	59					157 76 225 30 106 171 253 99			-34		27 254 29	
8		186 148 164 29 166 98										18 2 7 113 202 45 115 63 118 54			
sum							2								
highest							5								

Table 9: DCA ranking of ATK $\#2.$

			$\frac{1}{200}$ $\frac{1}{200}$ $\frac{1}{200}$ $\frac{1}{200}$ $\frac{1}{200}$			$5 + 1 + 1$					
KeyByte TargetBit		$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{L}}$	3		4 5 6 7 8		- 9	- 10		11 12 13 14 15 16	
								252 90 243 76 164 242 174 236 251 179 171 -2 -55 225 128 210			
$\overline{2}$								154 114 193 230 57 77 119 231 185 155 125 2		46 167 77 248	
3								21 242 235 206 127 55 247 256 77 38 199 52 174 247 121 99			
4	80.							52 73 208 35 211 178 50 79 86 230 147 18 135 31 61			
5	220	7	108 110 7		80 24 208 255 99					4 157 237 225 213 45	
6			229 189 140 60 8		30 222 33 113 46					37 255 189 115 204 35	
								189 13 52 128 205 193 129 175 96 39 24 123 171 133 82 127			
8								70 200 122 204 213 166 235 6 13 240 27 110 37 50			23 203
sum											
highest											

Table 10: DCA ranking of ATK $#3$.

KeyByte TargetBit		\mathfrak{D}	3	$4\quad 5$			6 7 8 9 10	-11	12	-13		14 15	- 16
	230			44 114 119 100 13			4 130 140 185 84 213 32				78.		51 139
				15 229 171 220 248 131 225 127 223 69 200 178 104 33 131 170									
3	93			16 254 254 180 36 249 208 12 188 217 191 194 252 158 140									
4				236 162 250 37 215 50 240 140 25 190 31						78 192 84 191 3			
5				22 121 217 239 181 24 199 12 249 213 225 15 248 219									41 152
6													187 163 51 148 185 18 123 218 181 63 204 13 223 144 89 114
		190 183 128 59		-39	-189	4	219 65 125 48						59 254 214 26 234
8													220 76 110 143 250 208 168 212 64 25 15 85 182 141 41 135
sum													
highest													

Table 11: DCA ranking of ATK #4. \parallel

Table 12: DCA ranking of ATK #5.

TargetBit	KeyByte		\mathfrak{D}	$\overline{\mathbf{3}}$	$\overline{4}$	5 6 7 8 9 10					-11	12	-13	- 14	-15 - 16	
			256 31 195 189 210 39				-18			192 147 35 150 246 239 190 75 72						
2			183 238 88 185 212 105 91 64 210 244 45 95 129 253 196 74													
3		110.	-41							68 116 133 67 119 203 203 188 204 181 106 165 85 219						
4			169 171 18			20 25 91				124 252 91 184 111 175 95 143 93 179						
5			41 220 155 35 147 30 115 73 16 106 58 142 136 146 32 161													
6			57 231 174 103 21 235 227 94 180 61									44 190 31 127 240 199				
		40	179 174 74 139 129 59					24	-67	- 1		24 134 65 94 204 213				
8			227 222 81 201 164 72 96 116 199 151 238 36 14 179 113 46													
sum																
highest																

Table 13: DCA ranking of ATK #6. \parallel

Table 14: DCA ranking of ATK #7. \parallel

KeyByte TargetBit		\mathcal{D}	$\overline{3}$	4 5 6 7 8 9 10				- 11	12 13	14 15 16	
										215 221 253 175 255 255 177 238 175 43 111 131 247 174 86 79	
2	73			30 242 15 28 84					64 73 86 215 148 240 155 46	38 95	
3				116 115 217 47 207 20	$\overline{7}$		106 76 167			2 192 67 245 148 218	
4										94 32 230 106 242 77 139 78 256 22 125 23 164 41 214 55	
5				174 110 145 246 105 15 85 34 154 57 31 151 61						48 118 12	
6										252 109 155 95 187 144 249 85 164 82 236 41 221 191 181 142	
										134 241 71 166 256 237 184 26 72 241 171 205 144 164 190 50	
8	19987									86 238 40 132 152 77 33 73 157 19 223 143 155 208	
sum											
highest											

Table 15: DCA ranking of ATK #8. \parallel

TargetBit	KeyByte		$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{L}}$	- 3	4	5 6 7 8 9		- 10	-11	-12		13 14 15 16		
								27 214 75 143 120 75 210 5 71 241 62 92 109 108 54 16						
2		140.	-80					18 219 232 147 18 17 214 52 58 169 61					14 196 12	
3								157 208 153 91 -28 204 138 25 -77 212 51 100 98 221 220 235						
4								190 189 185 27 236 143 125 166 7 240 223 249 106 15 161 12						
5			146 111 46			28 213 70 102 217 91 35			- 2	75 30 114 54 114				
6			145 230					48 195 151 136 225 206 15 50 219		3 ³	9		56 129 104	
		8	43		60 229 80			57 187 15 213 199 245 10 216 176 147 201						
8								130 224 249 155 159 44 167 30 125 121 77 109 54 176 146 44						
sum							3							
highest									6					

Table 16: DCA ranking of ATK #9.

Table 17: DCA ranking of ATK #10. \parallel

KeyByte TargetBit		$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{L}}$	-3	4 5 6 7 8 9 10				-11	12	13 14 15 16			
							18 109 75 207 123 197 124 249 95 3 101 169 206 146 122 19						
							180 179 95 223 12 110 217 113 179 201 183 106 206 64						49 166
3							170 173 204 49 24 245 72 153 115 121 84 122 162 96 158 163						
4							25 205 140 237 183 102 227 111 82 208 86 212 169 175 105						
5							225 155 131 227 18 217 116 191 168 110 49 16 123 138 227 57						
6							138 29 52 242 180 27 206 151 100 87 15 236 2 202 213 214						
							115 177 173 171 211 51 166 211 211 202 26 211 132 139 138 91						
8	68.	150 50					49 158 62 218 27 239 240 34 143 6				57	-25	-19
sum								9					
highest										3			

Table 18: DCA ranking of ATK #11. ||

TargetBit	KeyByte		\mathcal{D}	\mathcal{R}	4	5 ⁵	6 7 8 9		- 10	-11	12	13 14 15 16		
		38		94 170 176 215 90 50 27 231 249 13 108 64								-14	134 12	
$\overline{2}$		237	49	159 51 54 183 119 123 187 20 177 217 133 253 23 207										
3		169		34 253 113 129 25 38 225 111 187 144 58 131 220 88 71										
4		197	80						68 45 212 97 139 218 89 211 78 242 81 176 107 57					
5		238 82 94					41 107 200 242 25 129 63			- 14		2 165 146 85 167		
6				173 150 221 243 215 179 197 122 110 86 225 112 113 59 166 100										
				206 156 112 70		97			23 178 242 91 170 107 176 63 134 233 220					
8		243 125 248 111 18 207 126 121 233 83 69 67 137 209											-72 - 36	
sum														
highest											4			

Table 19: DCA ranking of ATK #13. ||

Table 20: DCA ranking of ATK #15. ||

KeyByte TargetBit	2°	-3	4 5		- 6			7 8 9 10	- 11	-12	-13		14 15 16	
	212 109 141 19			99	-141	-19		141 240 99 227 56			43.		194 135 54	
					189 233 193 146 95 81 166 136 135 123 88 214 97							-86		43 167
3					226 103 232 250 254 160 61 128 35 194 89 228 172 192 86 150									
4					161 195 3 255 109 254 96 53 199 47 18 111 139 236 120									- 2
5					198 197 46 242 124 255 141 113 165 81 250 243 255 251 192 114									
6					121 202 246 208 256 179 35 176 71 1				229 222 47			49		10 182
	35 107 136 123 42				49			126 199 72 198			9 191 140 253 106 174			
8					191 85 34 240 14 27		38 130 33		66 37		63 216 62		32 38	
sum														
highest								6						

Table 21: DCA ranking of ATK #16. ||

TargetBit	KeyByte		$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{L}}$	$\overline{3}$	4	5 ⁵	6 7 8		9	$\overline{10}$	-11	12	13 14		-15 - 16	
		249 211 108 234				-8				193 122 61 184 168 145 42 223 252 53 124						
2										35 243 32 170 155 176 116 147 37 256 70 72 22 189 253 214						
3										248 202 140 63 154 162 221 128 73 123 235 101 196 103 33 70						
4		232-113-92-								92 103 110 18 28 197 87 137 231 84 186						47 129
5			40 200 163 185 165 6					159 3		24 38 66 125 233 156 127 145						
6			105 136 28 130 8							123 180 175 86 126 34 210 22				65 192 99		
										106 141 52 102 139 152 67 108 147 83 21			42 243 193 38 80			
8			128 123 216 11							90 58 114 125 146 208 141 52 101				-50		99
sum																
highest																

Table 22: DCA ranking of ATK #19.

KeyByte TargetBit		$\overline{2}$	- 3			4 5 6 7 8 9 10		11	12	- 13	-14	-15	- 16
		210 127	-7	125 111	-66	88 202 105 80 18 250 164					-46	203 59	
						217 151 52 237 218 70 112 143 106 125 180 143 45					-79	8	10
3		172 75 111 77				32 44 146 225 138 107 42 155 77					7		149 176
4	38	53	- 7			234 159 240 150 39 188 98 155 116 143 217 220 177							
5						147 220 154 69 134 158 106 13 200 178 191 101 159 146 217 14							
6		41 135	$\mathbf{3}$			49 96 197 227 186 136 247 246 55						88 186 94 215	
						247 184 29 214 151 73 226 191 184 106 37 34				-78	17	232 73	
8						62 152 233 157 185 130 256 216 154 192 232 109 95							39 157 216
sum			3										
highest													

Table 23: DCA ranking of ATK $\#20$.