

5.2.1. AES Encryption

AES consists of r rounds, numbered $1, \dots, r$ and $r+1$ round keys K_0, K_1, \dots, K_r , each of length 128 bits. K_0, \dots, K_r are derived from master key K , as described later.

The no of rounds depends on the key size

key size	no of rounds
128	→ 10
192	→ 12
256	→ 14

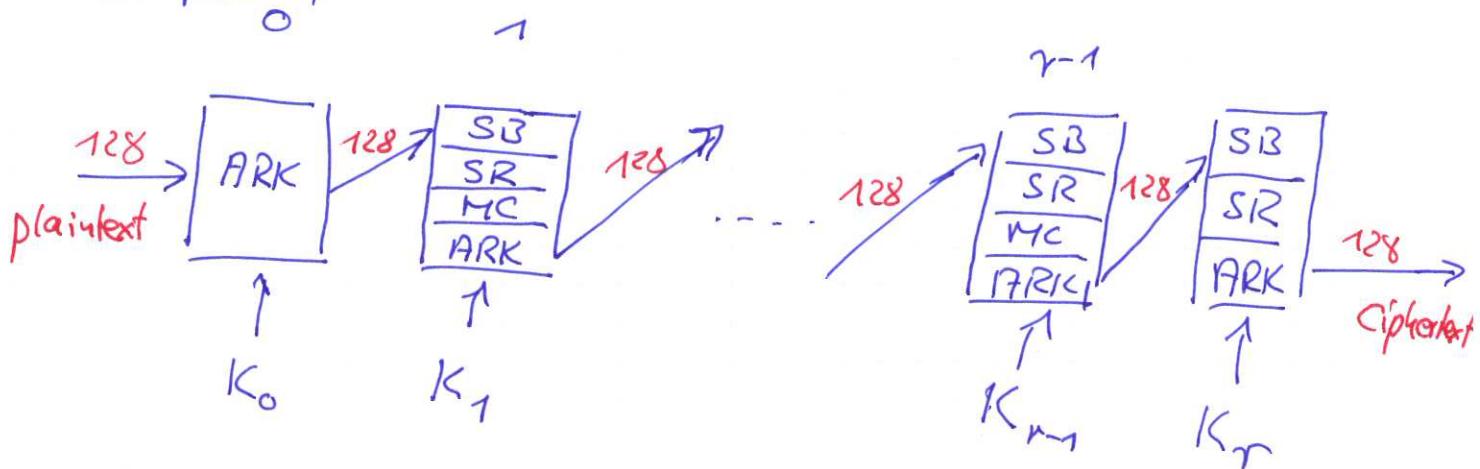
Plaintext m of 128 bits (otherwise chop) arranged as a 4×4 matrix of bytes $\in \mathbb{F}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_{0,0} & b_{0,1} & b_{0,2} & b_{0,3} \\ b_{1,0} & b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & b_{1,3} \\ b_{2,0} & b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} & b_{2,3} \\ b_{3,0} & b_{3,1} & b_{3,2} & b_{3,3} \end{pmatrix}$$

The round keys are also arranged as 4×4 byte matrices. Encryption uses the following operations

- Add Round Key (ARK)
- Round $1, \dots, r-1$ consists of the 'layers'
 - Sub Bytes (SB)
 - Shift Rows (SR)
 - Mix Columns (MC)
 - Add Round Key (ARK)
- Round r : SB, SR, ARK

Graphically:



Description of the layers in detail.

SubBytes (Bytes substitution)

Each byte $f = (b_7, \dots, b_0)$ is viewed as

$$b_7 y^7 + b_6 y^6 + \dots + b_0 \in \mathbb{F}_{2^8}$$

1. Compute f^{-1} in \mathbb{F}_{2^8} , let $f^{-1} = (y_7, \dots, y_0)$
(set $0^{-1} = 0$)

2. Affine transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_0 \\ \vdots \\ z_7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ \vdots \\ y_7 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Replace (b_7, \dots, b_0) by (z_7, \dots, z_0) .

Implementation by a lookup table, so called

$$\text{S-Box} \quad \begin{matrix} 0 & \dots & 15 \\ \hline 0 & 99 & 118 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 15 & 140 & -22 \end{matrix} = (s_{ij})_{0 \leq i,j \leq 15}$$

Input : (b_7, \dots, b_0)

Output : bin $(s_{(b_7, \dots, b_0), (b_3, \dots, b_0)})$ (don't leave out leading zeros)

Ex. Input $(\underbrace{1000}_8 / \underbrace{1011}_{11})$

Look up $s_{8,11} = 61$, output

$$(z_7, \dots, z_0) = \text{bin}(61) = (0011 \ 11 \ 01).$$

Shift Rows

Rows are cyclically shifted

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_{00} & \dots & b_{03} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{30} & \dots & b_{33} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} b_{00} & \dots & \cancel{b_{03}} & b_{03} \\ b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} & b_{10} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ b_{33} & b_{30} & b_{31} & b_{32} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{00} & \dots & c_{03} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_{30} & \dots & c_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

Mix Columns

Regard each byte c_{ij} , $0 \leq i, j \leq 3$, as an element of \mathbb{F}_{2^8} .

Apply a lin. transformation by a fixed matrix

$$A \in \mathbb{F}_{2^8}^{4 \times 4}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 00\ 00\ 00\ 10 & \dots & 00\ 00\ 00\ 01 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ 00\ 00\ 00\ 11 & \dots & 00\ 00\ 00\ 10 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} c_{00} & \dots & c_{03} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_{30} & \dots & c_{33} \end{pmatrix}}_A = \begin{pmatrix} d_{00} & \dots & d_{03} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ d_{30} & \dots & d_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

A may be written as a "circulant"

$$\begin{pmatrix} x & x+1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & x & x+1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & x & x+1 \\ x+1 & 1 & 1 & x \end{pmatrix}.$$

Add Round Key

Bitwise addition mod 2

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_{00} & \dots & d_{03} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ d_{30} & \dots & d_{33} \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} k_{00} & \dots & k_{03} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ k_{30} & \dots & k_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e_{00} & \dots & e_{03} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e_{30} & \dots & e_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

5.2.2. AES Key expansion (only key length 128)

Master key $K = K_0$, 128 bits, 4×4 byte matrix

columns $W(0), W(1), W(2), W(3)$

Expanded by 40 more columns

$$W(i) = \begin{cases} W(i-4) \oplus W(i-1), & \text{if } i \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ W(i-4) \oplus T(W(i-1)), & \text{if } i \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

$$i = 4, \dots, 43$$

Transformation $T(W(i-1))$, $W(i-1) = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$

1. Cyclic shift: $(w_0, w_1, w_2, w_3) \rightarrow (w_1, w_2, w_3, w_0) = (u_0, \dots, u_3)$

2. Apply SubBytes to each $u_i \rightarrow (v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3)$

3. Compute $p(i) = (00 \ 00 \ 00 \ 10)^{\frac{i}{4}-1}$ in \mathbb{F}_{2^8}

4. $T(W(i-1)) = (v_0 \oplus p(i), v_1, v_2, v_3)$

Round key for round k : $k = 1, \dots, 10$.

$$(W(4k), W(4k+1), W(4k+2), W(4k+3))$$

5.2.3. AES Decryption

Each of the steps SubBytes, ShiftRows, MixColumns,
AddRoundKey

is invertible, giving transformations

- InvSubBytes (ISB)
- InvShiftRows (ISR)
- InvMixColumn (IMC)
- AddRoundKey (ARK) (its own inverse)

Keys are applied in reverse order.

Because of interchangeability there are implementations that look more symmetric,
see Trap & Washington, p.134, 135.