

Toolkit for side-channel analysis SICAK

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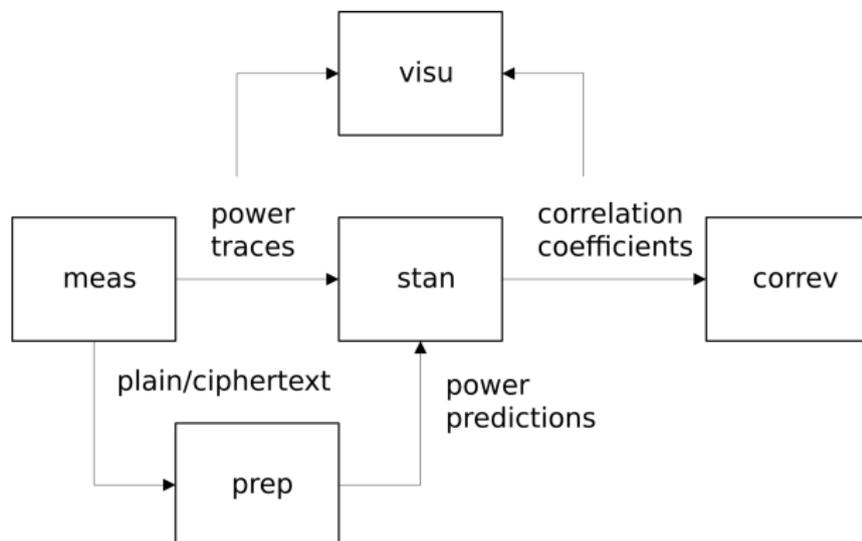
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SICAK - Side-Channel Analysis toolKit I

- Software toolkit for side-channel analysis
 - ▶ active phase - data measurement
 - ▶ passive phase - data processing and evaluation
- Set of non-interactive text-based utilities
- Modular plug-in architecture
- C/C++, Qt, qmake
- Multiplatform, tested on Linux and Windows
- Open-source, available on GitHub [1, 2]

SICAK - Side-Channel Analysis toolKit II

- Currently five utilities:
 - ▶ **meas** - Measurement utility
 - ▶ **prep** - Data (pre-)processing utility
 - ▶ **stan** - Statistical analysis utility
 - ▶ **correv** - Correlation attack evaluation utility
 - ▶ **visu** - Visualisation utility
- JSON configuration files



Measurement utility (meas)

- Active phase - controlling the device and capturing data
- **Oscilloscope** plug-in
 - ▶ Keysight 3000 series (VISA/Linux UsbTMC)
 - ▶ PicoScope 6000 series
- **Device Interface** plug-in
 - ▶ Serial port
 - ▶ SmartCard
- **Measurement Scenario** plug-in
 - ▶ Attack (e.g. DPA [3], CPA [4])
 - ▶ Test Vector Leakage Assesment [5]

Data (pre-)processing utility (prep)

- Preprocessing power traces
- Preprocessing block data
 - ▶ Creation of power predictions based on a power model
 - ★ AES-128 first round S-box Hamming weight
 - ★ AES-128 last round register Hamming distance

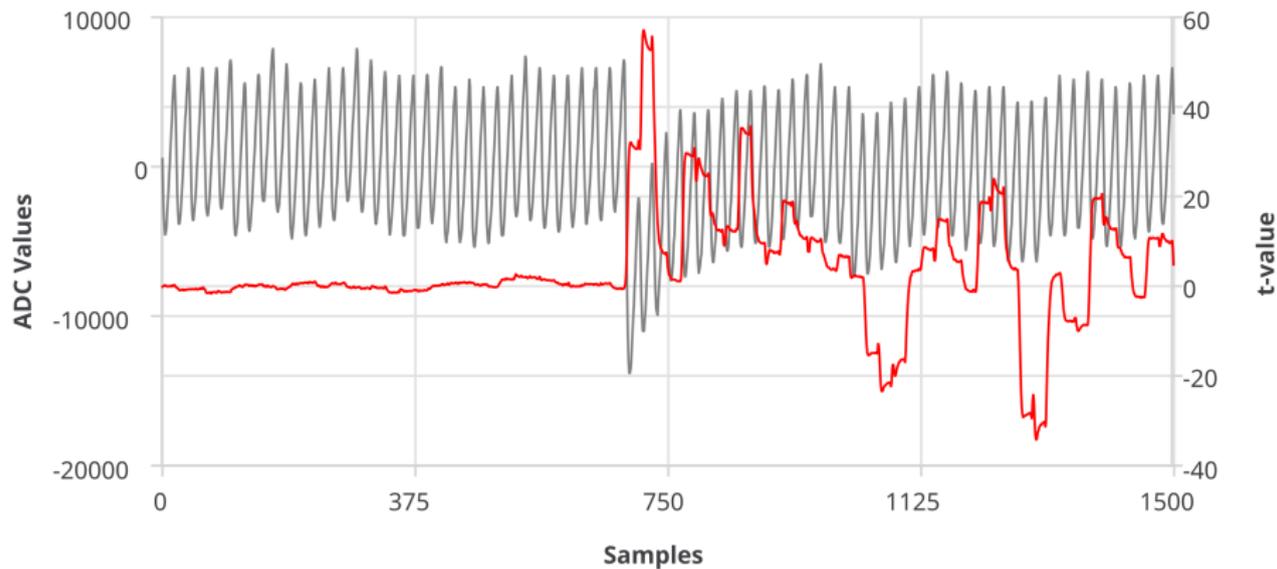
Statistical analysis utility (stan)

- Processing of power traces (power predictions)
- To allow both incremental and iterative computations, three basic functions are implemented:
 - ▶ **create** - processes a data set into a statistical context
 - ▶ **merge** - merges two existing statistical contexts together (resulting context characterizes union of both data sets)
 - ▶ **finalize** - finalizes a context into final results
- Currently implemented plug-in modules include
 - ▶ First-order univariate Correlation power analysis [6], accelerated using either OpenMP or OpenCL
 - ▶ Arbitrary-order univariate Correlation power analysis [7], accelerated using OpenMP
 - ▶ Arbitrary-order univariate Welch's t-test leakage assesment [5]

Correlation evaluation utility (correv)

- Evaluation of CPA correlation matrices
- Different evaluation strategies
 - ▶ Minimum/maximum/maximum absolute correlation coefficient
 - ▶ Maximum absolute derivative / largest edge [8]
- Different cipher key derivation strategies
 - ▶ e.g. last AES round key inversion

Visualisation utility (visu)



Conclusion

- Open-source and multiplatform performance-tuned toolkit for side-channel analysis, written in C/C++
- Modular plug-in based architecture
- Data acquisitions using different measurement scenarios, oscilloscopes and target devices
- Robust, stable and accelerated statistical computations
- Further processing, attack evaluation, and visualisation support
- Non-interactive text-based interface, allowing for scripting usage

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