

# PB173 Domain specific development: side-channel analysis



## Seminar 8: Finalizing on First Steps

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Example

## USEFUL PLOTS: KEY RANK EVOLUTION

# Semi-invasive attacks

- Use `cpa_aes_evol.py` (from seminar 7) on
- `Xoodyak_FVR3000_20240214_124156.npz`
- What do you think about the result?

Active Side-Channel

# FAULT INJECTION ATTACKS

## Passive vs Active Side Channels

**Passive:** analyze device behavior



**Active:** change device behavior



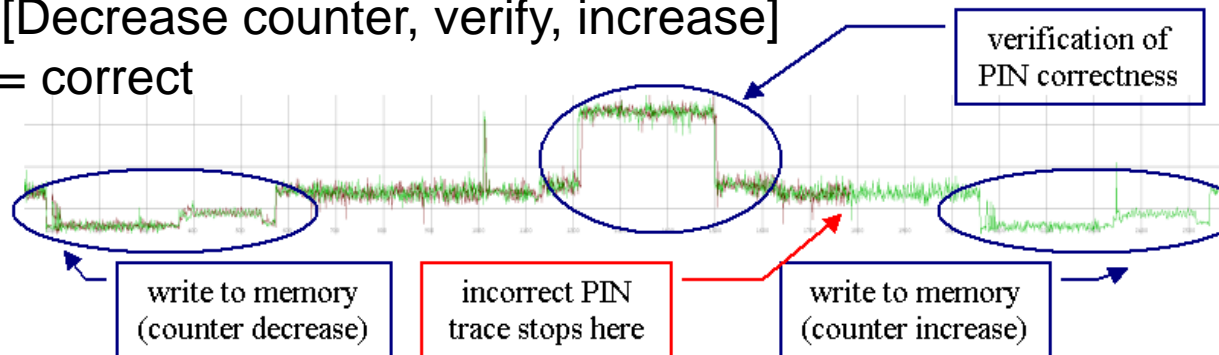
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# Semi-invasive attacks

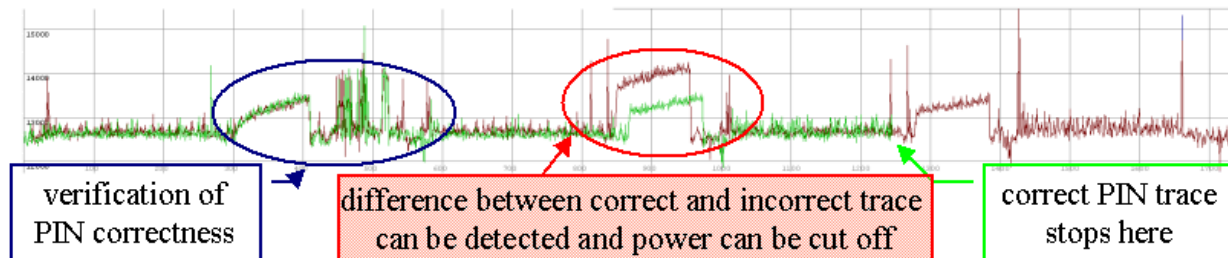
- “Physical” manipulation (but card still working)
- Micro probes placed on the bus
  - After removing epoxy layer
- Fault induction
  - liquid nitrogen, power glitches, light flashes...
  - modify memory (RAM, EEPROM), e.g., PIN counter
  - modify instruction, e.g., conditional jump

# PIN verification procedure

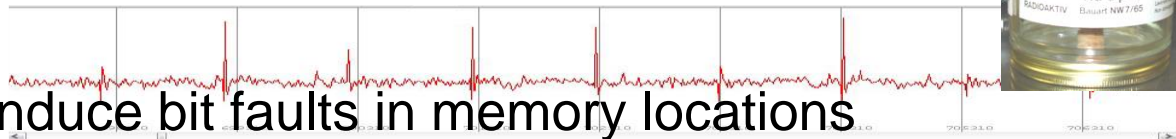
- [Decrease counter, verify, increase]  
= correct



- [Verify, decrease/increase]



# Fault induction



- Attacker can induce bit faults in memory locations

- power glitch, flash light, radiation...
- harder to induce targeted than random fault

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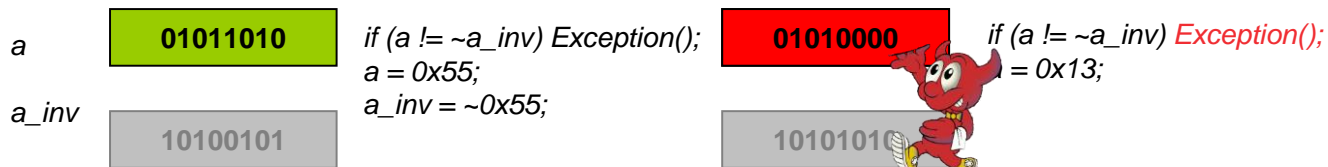
- Protection with shadow variable

- every variable has shadow counterpart
- shadow variable contains inverse value
- consistency is checked every read/write to memory



More in **PV286/PA193** or

[https://riscureprodstorage.blob.core.windows.net/production/2017/08/Riscure\\_Whitepaper\\_Side\\_Channel\\_Patterns.pdf](https://riscureprodstorage.blob.core.windows.net/production/2017/08/Riscure_Whitepaper_Side_Channel_Patterns.pdf)

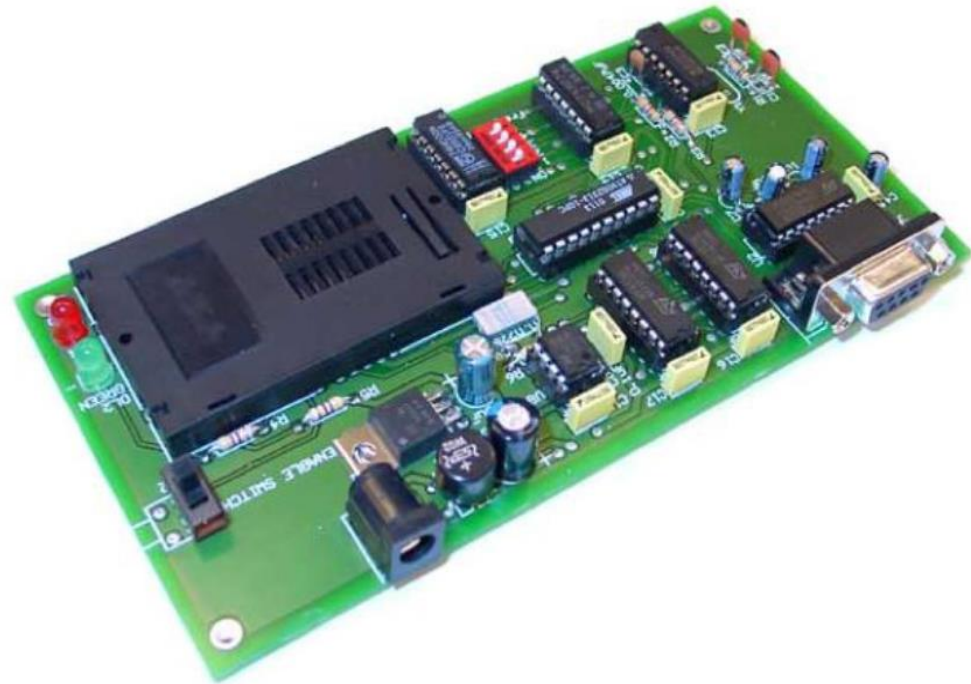


- Robust protection, but cumbersome for developer



## “Commercial” Example: the “unlooper” device

```
1 void entry() {
2     void* start = 0x80000000;
3     void* length = 0x00400000;
4
5     serial_puts("Start Secure Boot...\n");
6
7     loadOSFromHardDrive(start);
8
9     if (! authenticateOS(start,length) )
10        do {} while(1);
11
12    serial_puts("Run OS\n");
13
14    boot_next_stage(start);
15    //starts executing at the address start
16 }
```



# Differential Fault Analysis

- Would you like me to present that?
- Or do you prefer to see a real setup? Hard to fit both together.

# ORGANIZATIONAL

# Organization

- Group 1: Alignment
  - <https://github.com/2lol555/pb173-side-channel/tree/main>
  - Progress: ?
- Group 2: Parallel computations with acquisition
  - <https://github.com/makuga01/pb173-sidechannels>
  - Progress: ?

# Group 1: Alignment

- Goals:
  - Peak-Based Alignment
  - Correlation-based Alignment
  - Optional: elastic versions
- Look at:
  - AES\_fixed\_rand\_input\_CAFEBABEDEADBEEF0001020304050607+SAVEEVEN(0,1000).trs
  - AES\_fixed\_rand\_input\_CAFEBABEDEADBEEF0001020304050607+SAVEEVEN(0,1000)+MIS(100).trs
- First tasks:
  - Try to align the traces mentioned above using peak-based alignment. Note that it might not work for ...MIS... traces.
  - See all the uploaded scripts till now
- Later task - Correlation-based Alignment
- How is it going?

## Group 2: Parallel computations with acquisition

- Implement multithreaded Acquisition + Processing
- Measure Efficiency
- First Task: measure the efficiency of the acquisition (done?) Do you have some graphs?
- Later tasks: observe the impact of processing and try to add frequency processing in parallel to the acquisition
- How is it going? Have you used?
  - <https://github.com/ikizhvatov/efficient-columnwise-correlation> and
  - cpa\_aes\_evol.py (the corr. traces are also uploaded for Seminar08)

# Remaining Seminars Plan

- 7: evaluation of progress on first steps: 1 point per person per work done till today also based on the commits in GIT
- **8**: evaluation of finished first steps : 3 points per group (personalized per person based on the Github) + giving the next tasks
- 9: work in progress (**I will join online for some time**)
- 10: 4 points per group (personalized per person based on the GitHub) + what would say about showing a more official progress presentations? **Decide today.**  
**This seminar: real SCA setup**
- 11/12: national holiday / online consultation
- 13: final 2 points for work + 2 points for presentations + 2 points for activity, grading.

# WHAT WAS DONE + GIVING NEW TASKS



# Group 1: Alignment

The screenshot shows a GitHub repository page for user '2lol555'. The repository is named '2lol555' and has 3 branches and 0 tags. The README file is selected, showing the following content:

**General information**

This repository contains files pertaining to the course **PB173 Tematicky zameraný vývoj aplikácií** with the subsection of **Side channel analysis**. The project theme is trace alignment, and it contains/will contain multiple approaches to aligning trace files.

**Third party requirements**

**pip packages**

- trsfile
- numpy
- matplotlib
- tqdm

**Currently implemented alignment methods**

The repository statistics on the right show: No description, website, or topics provided; 10 commits; 0 stars; 1 watching; 0 forks; 0 releases; and 0 packages published. Contributors listed are JJanasek and patriciagorcova. The language usage is 100% Python.

- How reproducible are the installation information?

# Group 1: Alignment



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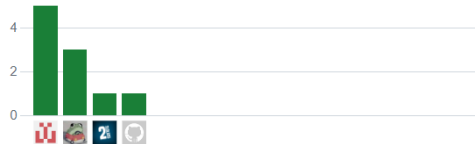
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Overview

0 Active pull requests      0 Active issues

0 Merged pull requests	0 Open pull requests	0 Closed issues	0 New issues
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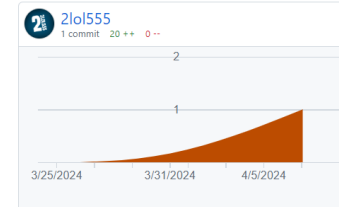
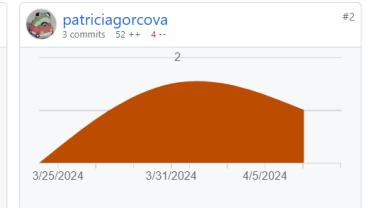
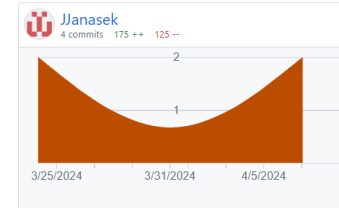
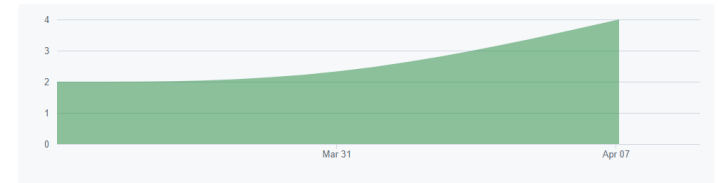


Explain who works on branches and 4 contributors 😊

Mar 24, 2024 – Apr 9, 2024

Contributions: Commits

Contributions to main, excluding merge commits



## Group 1 New Tasks:

1. Try to misaligned\_1000 traces
  2. Try alignment on lower peaks (local maximum peaks)
  3. Try the Absolute Window Resample + Alignment approach
  4. Try pattern matching as explained during the seminar
  5. Longer term: Correlation Alignment
- From my side, computing correlation between the traces:  
`from scipy.stats import pearsonr`

# Group 2: Parallel computations with acquisition

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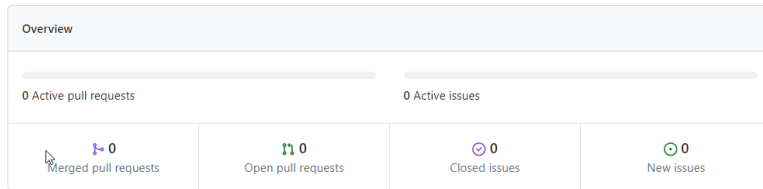


# Group 2: Parallel computations acquisition

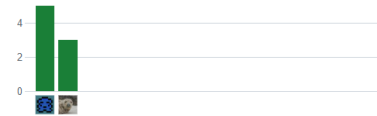


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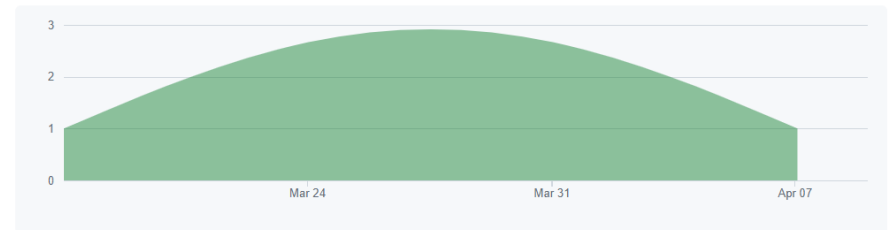
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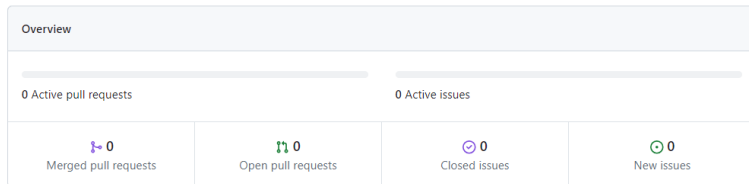
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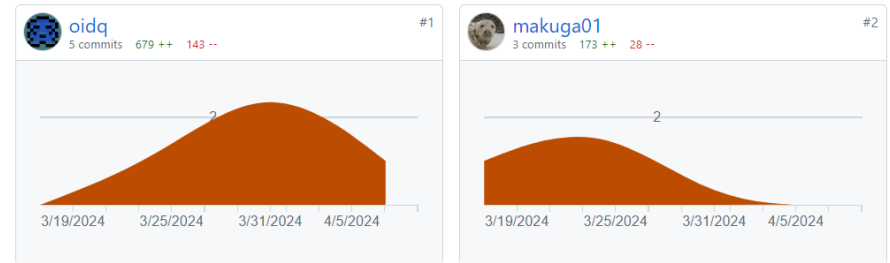
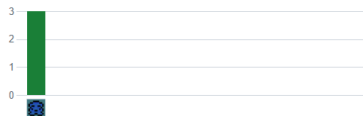


April 2, 2024 – April 9, 2024

Period: 1 week



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No input last week from one participant?

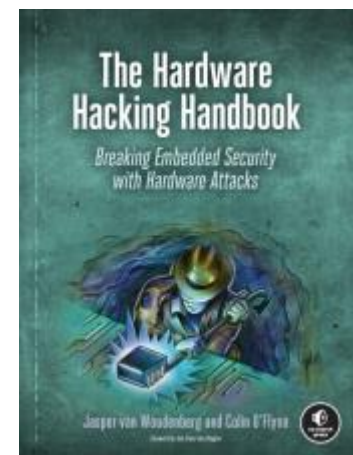
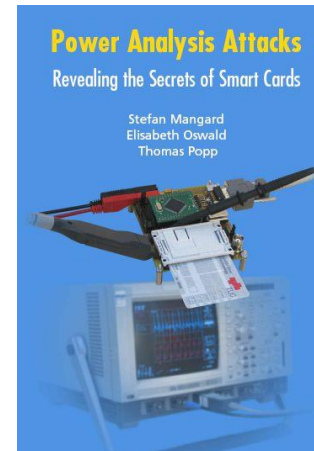
## Group 2 New Tasks:

1. Perform analysis with jitter enabled.
  2. Try Spectrogram + CPA together
  3. Perform evaluation when turning on and off various parallelizations
  4. Generate graphs for comparison
- From my side, I will add more ideas for extension for the next seminar. I am considering asking to add an alignment code from Group 1.

# WALK-AROUND + WORKING IN GROUPS

# Reading

- For interested people
- Side-Channel Analysis – blue book:
  - <http://dpabook.iaik.tugraz.at/>
  - The books is available at the uni.
  - Look online
- The Hardware Hacking Handbook:
  - <https://nostarch.com/hardwarehacking>
  - I have an epub version.





Questions?

