

On Adaptive Bandwidth Selection for Efficient MIA

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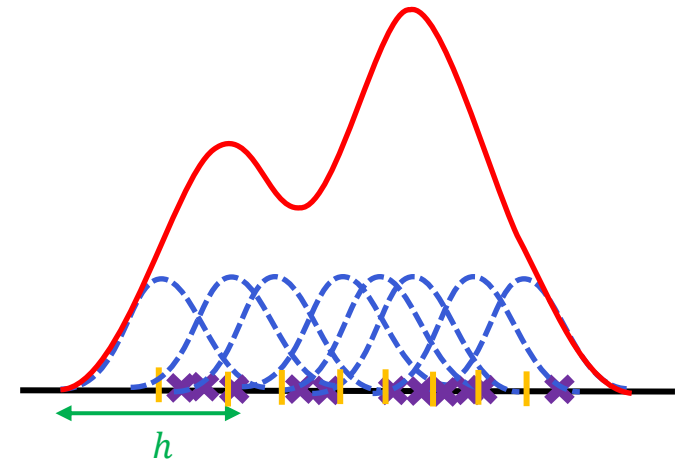
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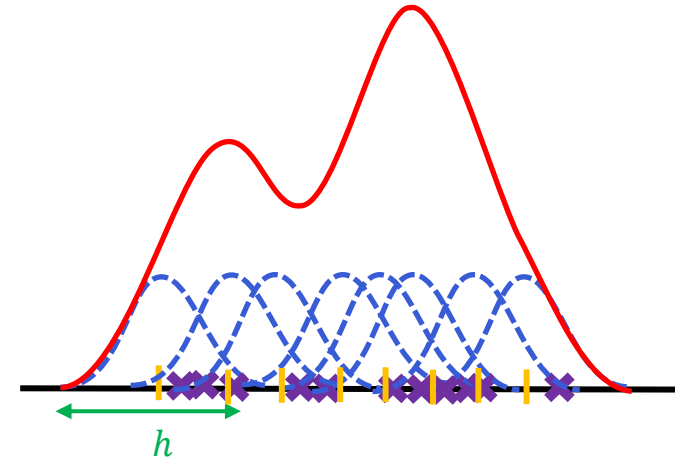
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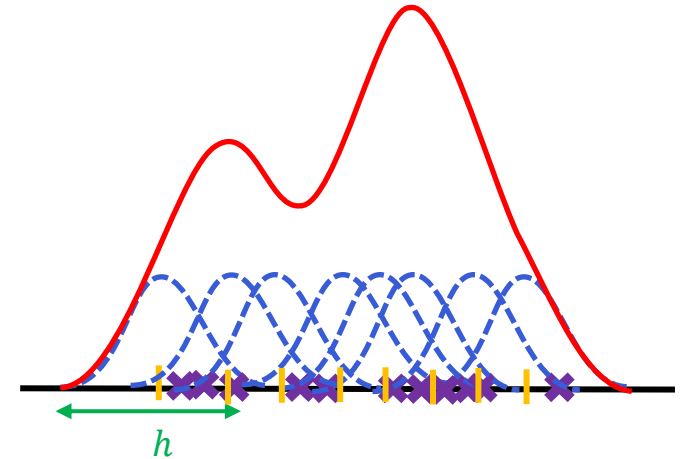
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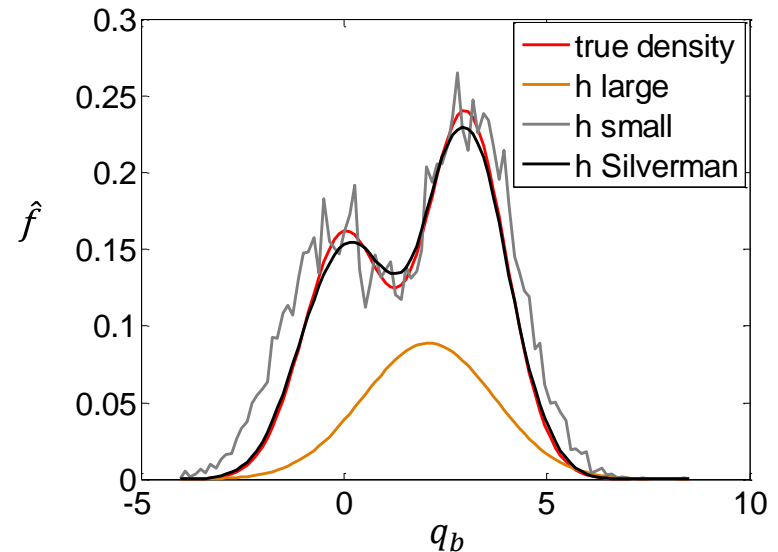
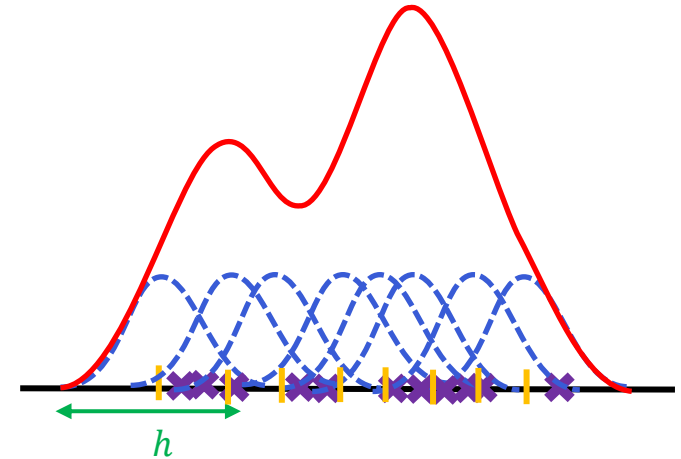
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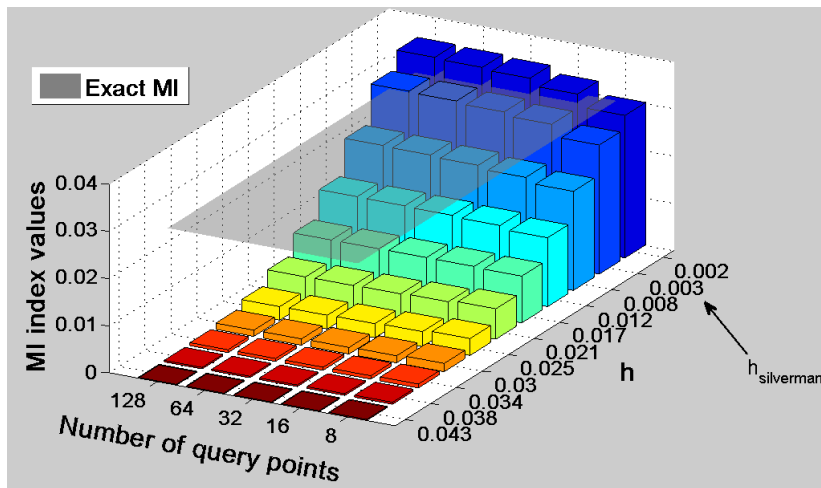
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- Trade-off bias /variance \Rightarrow big impact in KDE.
- Silverman's rule commonly used

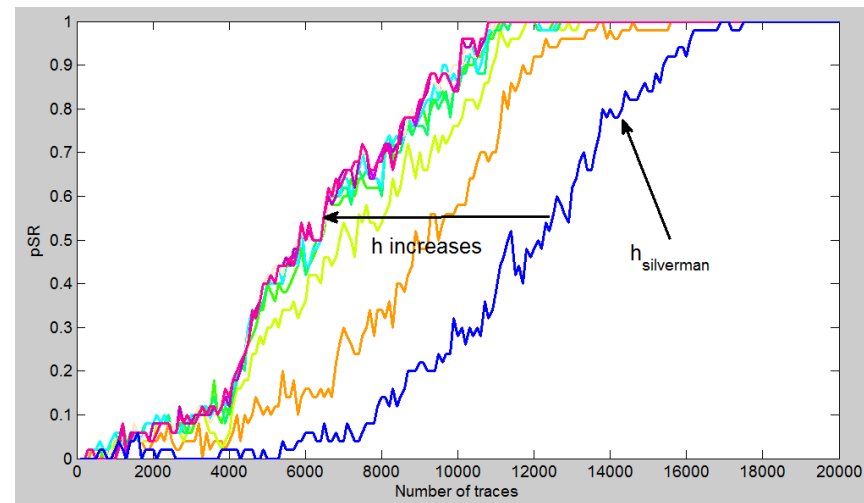


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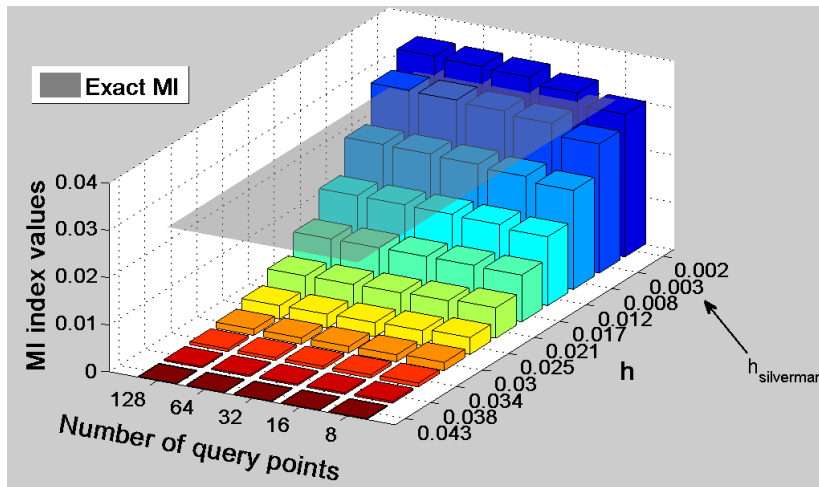


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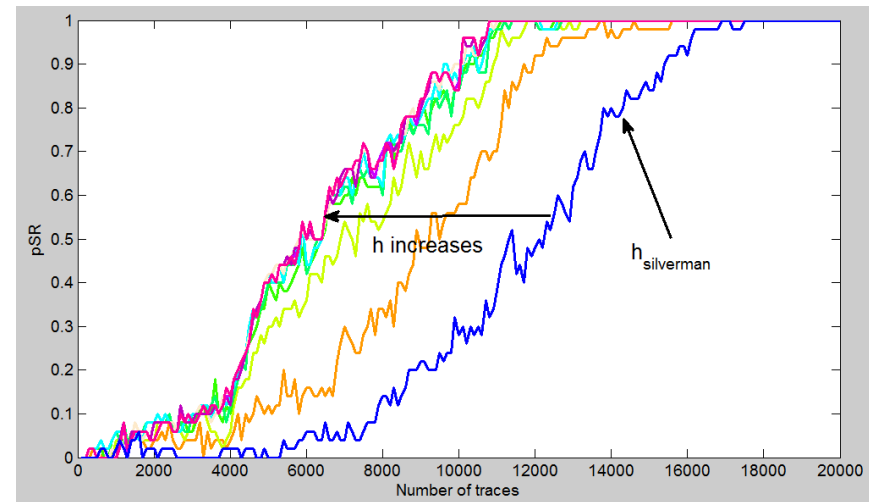


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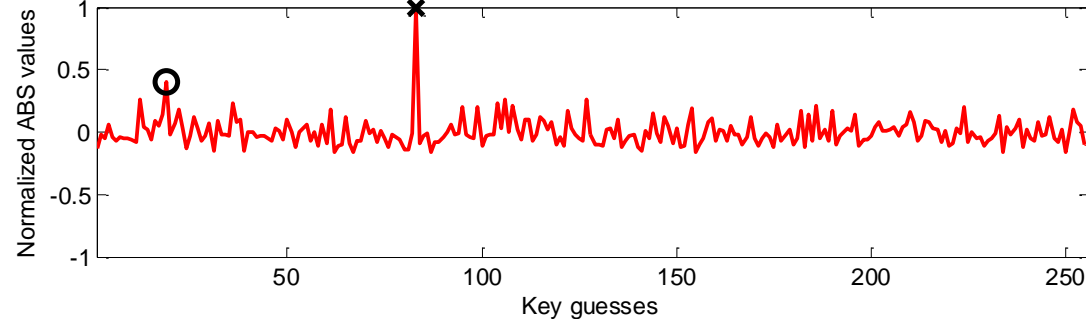
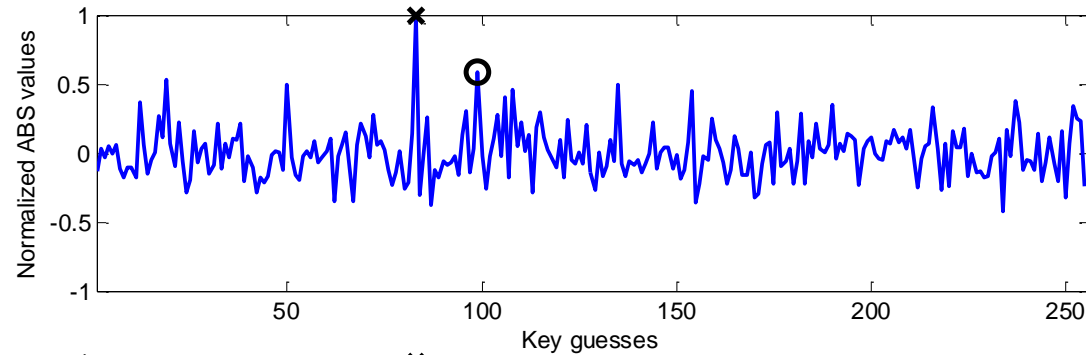
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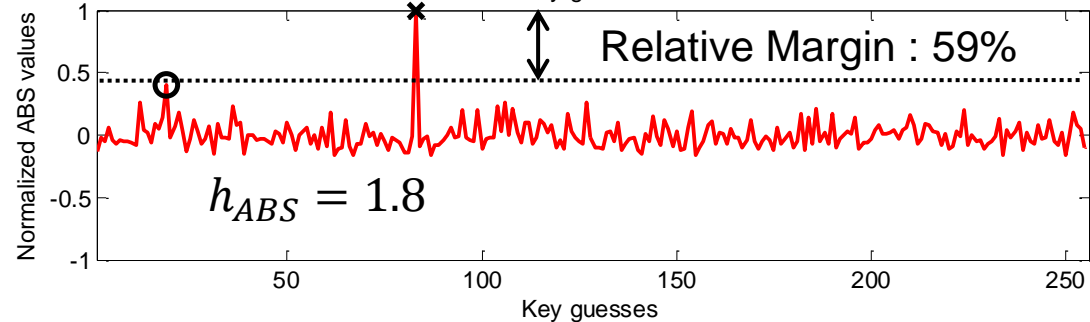
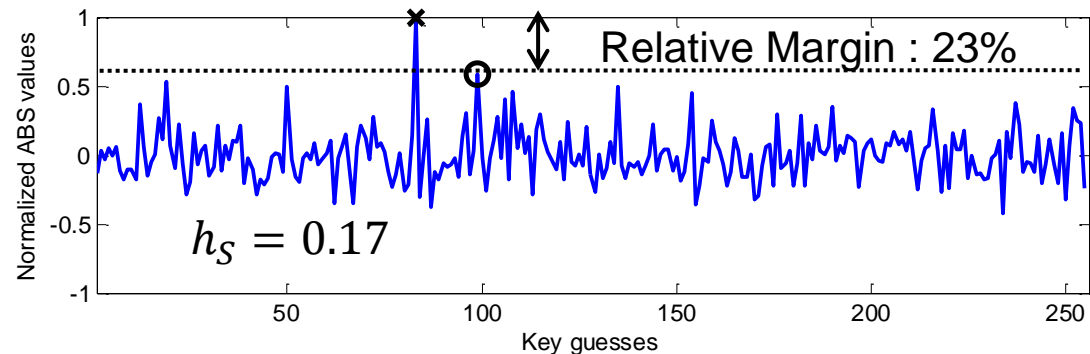
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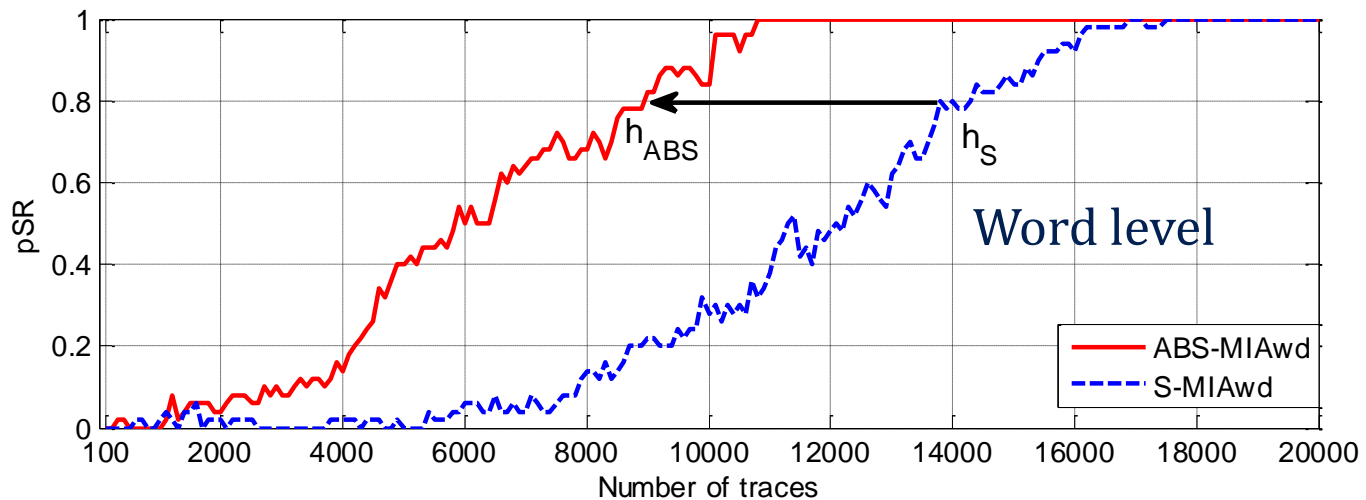
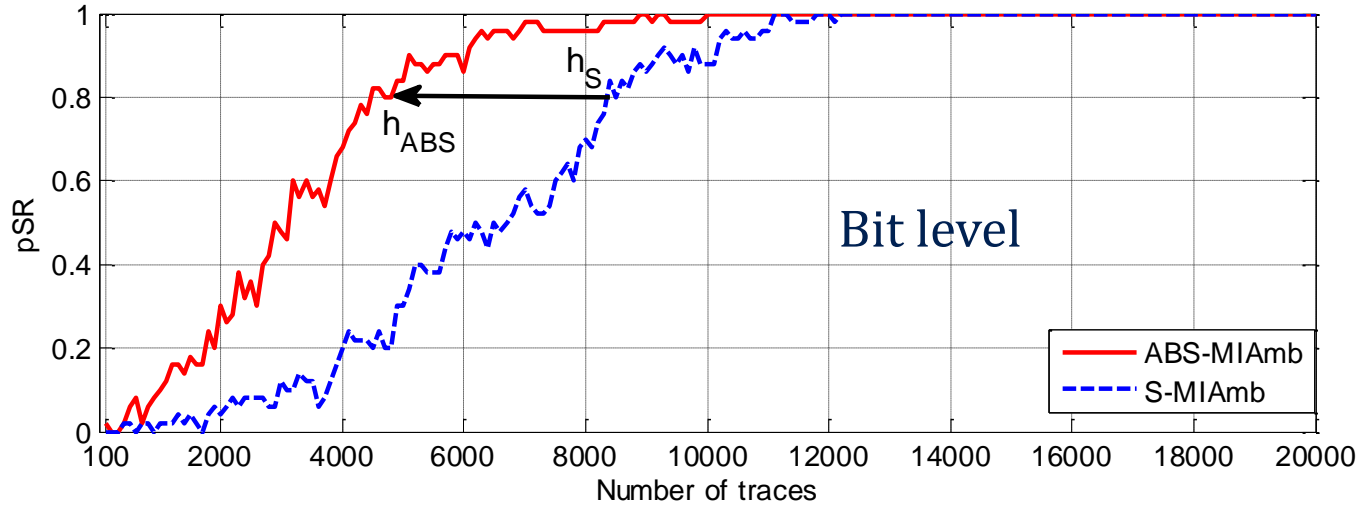
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- 3 attacks were considered: ABS-MIA, S-MIA and CPA (as a benchmark)
- Success Rate metric (Standaert '08) used to measure the attack efficiency.
- Comparisons were conducted according to 2 scenarii at the
 - Bit level (Multi-bit, 'mb').
 - Word level ('wd').
- Evaluations were performed across 2 different data sets
 - DpaContestV2.
 - EM traces provided from an hardware FPGA implementing AES.

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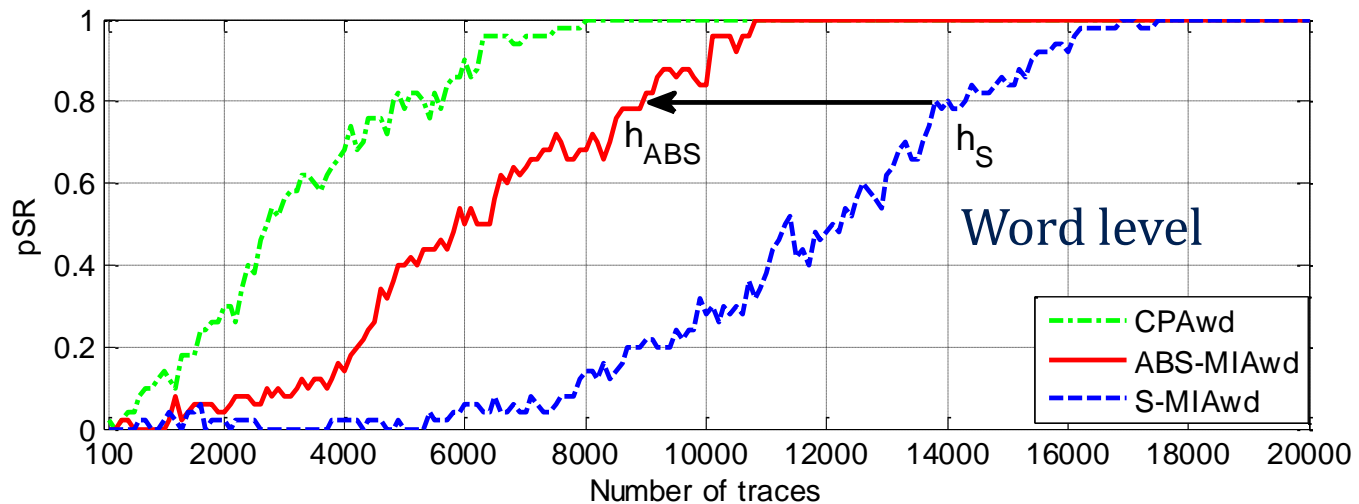
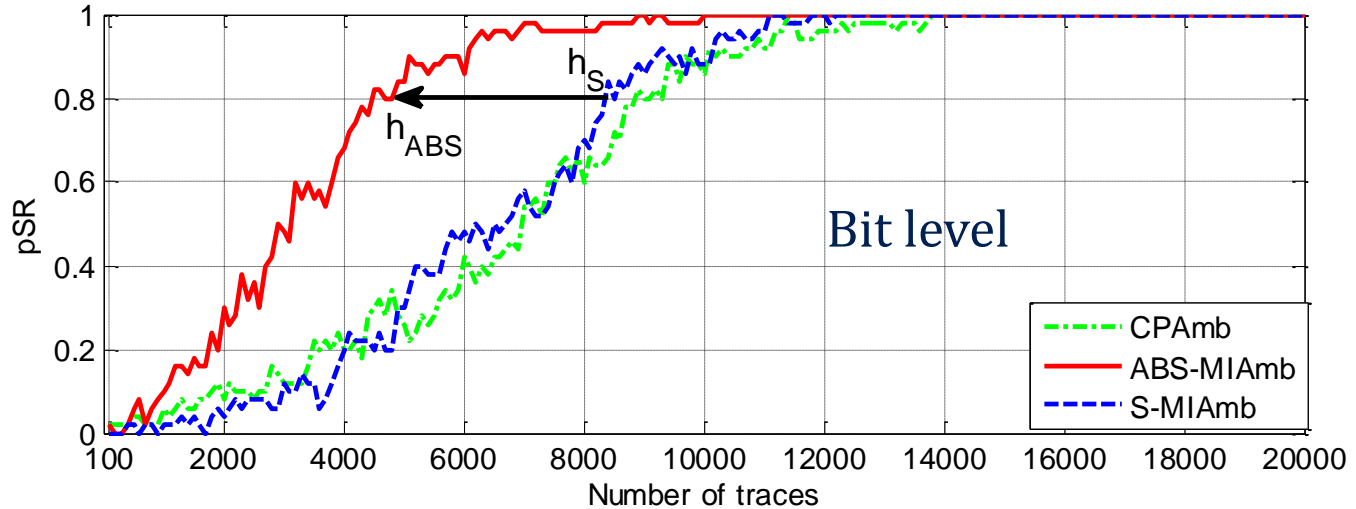
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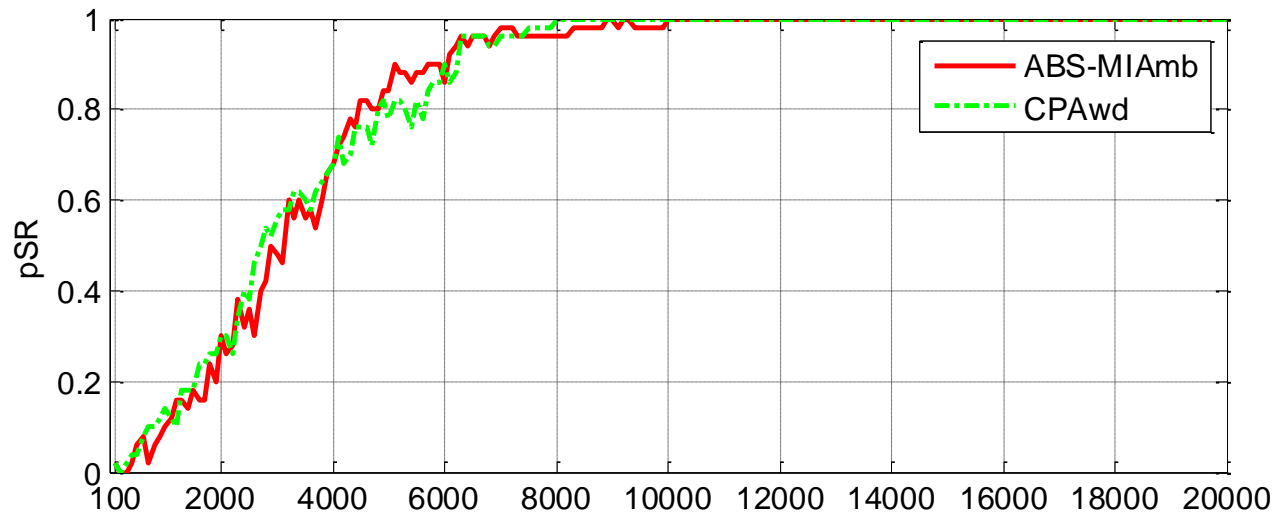
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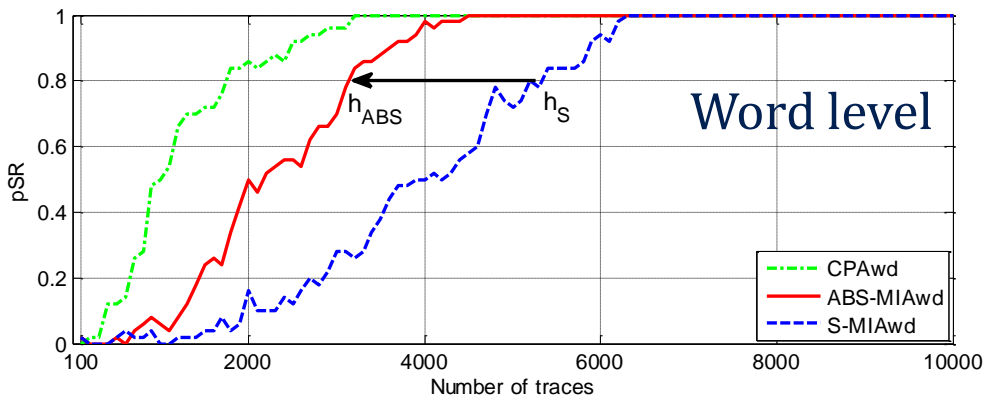
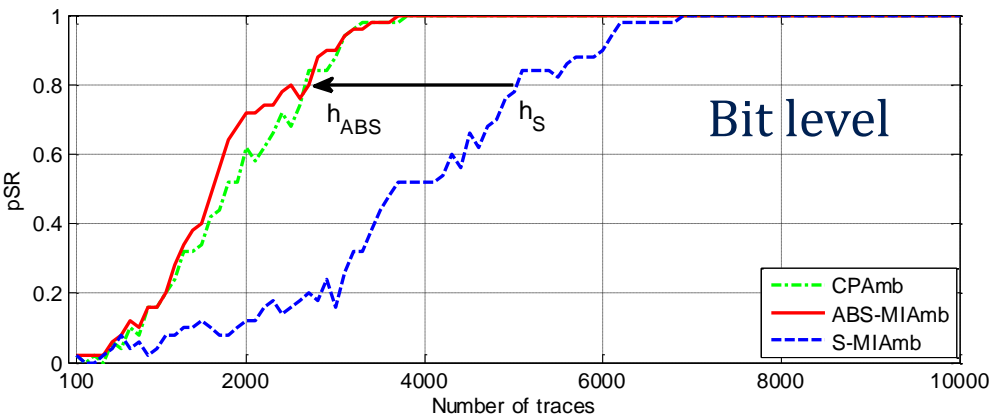
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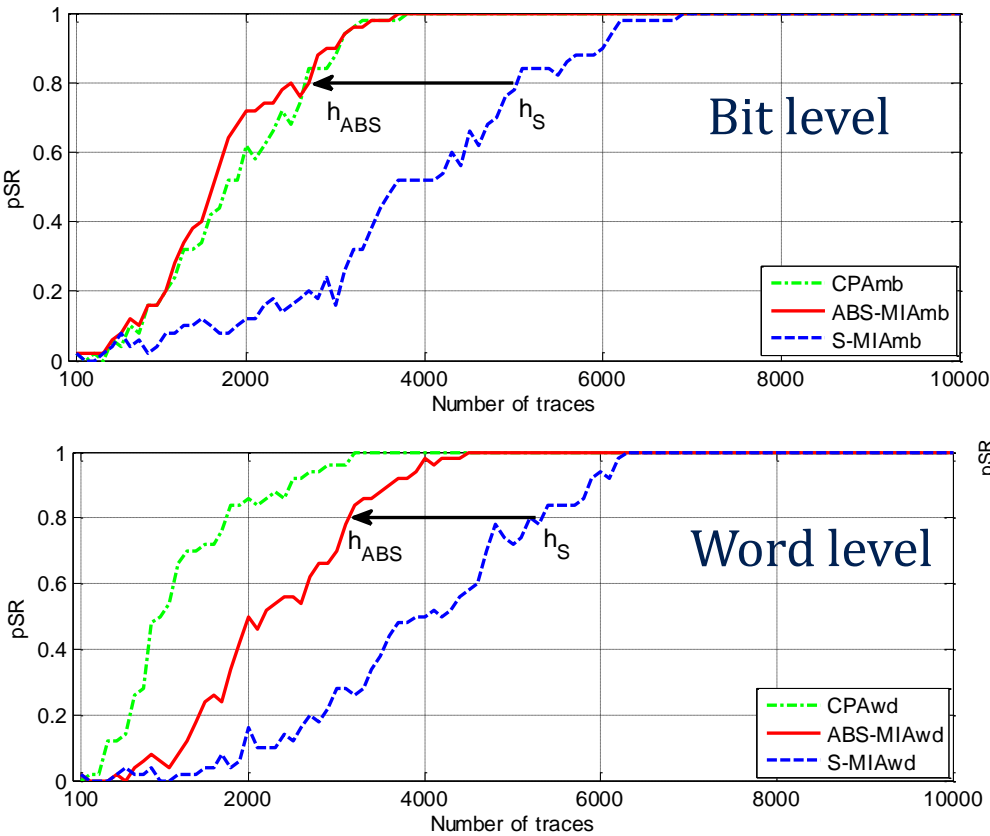
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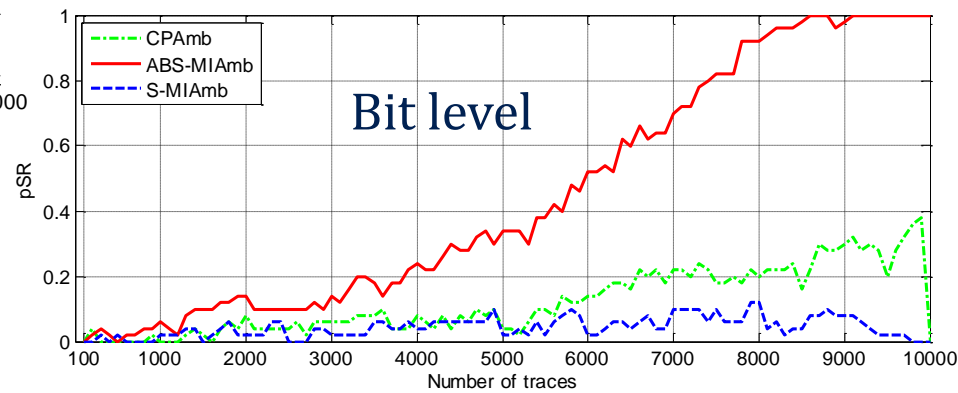


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- Accurately estimating PDF \neq Efficiently performing MIA.
- Our proposal increases efficiency and genericity.
- Other tuning parameters could be evaluated by our approach.

Thank you for your attention !

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