Exploiting Acoustic Side-Channel for Attack on Additive Manufacturing Systems
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Introduction

- **Additive Manufacturing:**
  - Build 3D objects in layers.
  - Rapid prototyping of freeform 3D objects.
  - Disruptive technology [1]. E.g. 3D-Printers.
- **Side-Channels:**
  - Power, acoustic, electromagnetic, timing etc.
- **Intellectual Property (IP):**
  - Internal and external 3D geometry, process parameters, machine parameters [2] etc.

**Background and Motivation**

- **Physical-To-Cyber Domain Attacks:**
  - Utilize physical domain data to conduct attack on Confidentiality (steal IP), Integrity, and Availability (CIA).
- **Side-Channel Leakage in Additive Manufacturing:**
  - Acoustic signal vary in frequency and intensity according to load, speed and direction of the nozzle movement.

**Acoustic Attack Model**

- **Attack Model [3]:**
  - Train Learning Algorithms.
  - Record acoustics.
  - Extract Information about G-code (Used in 3D-Printers).
  - Reconstruct the Object.

**Attack Methodology**

- **Attack Method [3]:**
  - Pre-process to remove noise.
  - Extract time and frequency domain features.
  - Train different learning algorithms to extract speed, axis, and direction.
  - Predict parameters.
  - Context based post-processing to improve accuracy.
  - Reconstruct G-code.

**Experimental Setup**

- **Original G-code**
- **Reconstructed G-code**

**Results**

- **Test Parameters:**
  - Speed, Dimension, and Complexity (Movement in Multiple Axes).
- **Average Accuracy:**
  - Axis Prediction Accuracy Classification Models: 78.35%.
  - Length Prediction Error of Regression Models: 17.82%.

**Summary**

- High correlation between physical and cyber domain data.
- Side-channel information leakage not considered in additive manufacturing systems.
- Leakage from side-channel can breach confidentiality.
- It is imperative to incorporate side-channel leakage as a parameter in design methodology for secure additive manufacturing systems (future work).

**References**