

Authentication Based on Secret Generation

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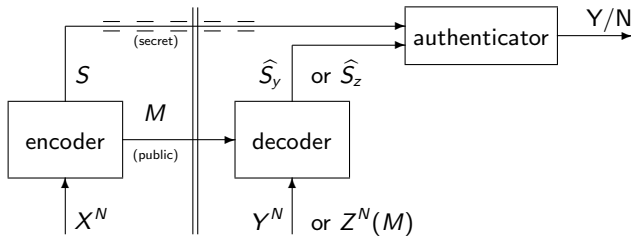
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- **ENROLLMENT:** An individual presents his biometric sequence X^N to an encoder. From this **enrollment sequence** X^N a **secret** S is generated. Also a **public helper message** M is produced.
- **LEGITIMATE PERSON:** The person presents a **legitimate observation sequence** Y^N to a decoder. The decoder produces an **estimated secret** \hat{S}_y using helper message M .
- **IMPOSTOR:** An impostor **who has access to the helper message** M present an **impostor sequence** $Z^N(M)$ to the decoder that now forms estimated secret \hat{S}_z using M .
- **AUTHENTICATOR:** Checks whether the estimated secret \hat{S}_y or \hat{S}_z equals the enrolled secret S , and outputs **yes or no**.

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The symbols of the enrollment and legitimate observation sequences assume values in the **finite alphabets** \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} respectively.

The joint probability

$$\Pr\{X^N = x^N, Y^N = y^N\} = \prod_{n=1}^N Q(x_n, y_n), \text{ for all } x^N \in \mathcal{X}^N, y^N \in \mathcal{Y}^N. \quad (1)$$

where $Q(x, y)$ for $x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}$ is a probability distribution, hence the pairs (X_n, Y_n) for $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ are **independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.)**.

Also the symbols of the impostor sequences assume values in the alphabet \mathcal{Y} .

Encoding function:

$$(S, M) = e(X^N), \quad (2)$$

where $S \in \{\phi_e, 1, 2, \dots, |S|\}$ is the generated secret and $M \in \{1, 2, \dots, |\mathcal{M}|\}$ the public helper message. Here ϕ_e is the secret-value if the encoder could not assign a secret.

Decoding function:

$$\hat{S}_y = d(M, Y^N), \quad (3)$$

where $\hat{S}_y \in \{\phi_d, 1, 2, \dots, |S|\}$ is the estimated secret. Again ϕ_d is the estimated secret-value if the decoder could not find an estimated secret.

Note that an **impostor** can choose

$$Z^N = i(M), \quad (4)$$

depending on the helper data M . This impostor sequence $z^N \in \mathcal{Z}^N$ is then presented to the decoder that forms

$$\hat{S}_z = d(M, Z^N) = d(M, i(M)). \quad (5)$$

The **authenticator** checks whether the output of the encoder, i.e. the secret S , and the output of the decoder, i.e. the estimated secret \hat{S}_y or \hat{S}_z , are equal.

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The **False Reject Rate (FRR)** and **False Accept Rate (FAR)** are typical performance measures for authentication systems. They are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FRR} &\triangleq \Pr\{\widehat{S}_y \neq S\}, \text{ and} \\ \text{FAR} &\triangleq \Pr\{\widehat{S}_z = S\}. \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

NOTE that, given the probability distribution $Q(\cdot, \cdot)$, the FRR depends only on the encoder and decoder functions $e(\cdot)$ and $d(\cdot, \cdot)$. The FAR moreover depends on the impostor strategy $i(\cdot)$.

INTRODUCTION: Ahlswede-Csiszar Secret-Generation [1993]

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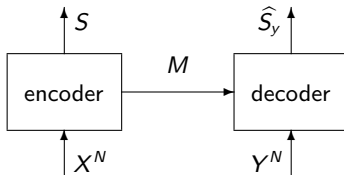
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Both the enrolled and estimated secret assume values in $\{1, 2, \dots, |\mathcal{S}|\}$.

A: The secret must be **recoverable** by the decoder. **B:** It should be **large and uniform**. **C:** The helper message should be **uninformative about the secret**.

Definition

Secrecy rate R is achievable if, for all $\delta > 0$ and all N large enough, there exist encoders and decoders such that

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr\{\hat{S}_y \neq S\} &\leq \delta, \\ \frac{1}{N} H(S) + \delta &\geq \frac{1}{N} \log_2 |\mathcal{S}| \geq R - \delta, \\ \frac{1}{N} I(S; M) &\leq \delta. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Theorem (Ahlswede-Csiszar, 1993)

*For a secret-generation system the maximum achievable secrecy rate is equal to $I(X; Y)$. We call this largest rate the **secrecy capacity** C_s .*

QUESTION and REMARK:

- Only statement about FRR. What is the consequence of this theorem in terms of FAR?
- Note that an impostor has access to the helper data M .

Next we will consider two distributions $P(m, s)$ realized by an encoder. The distributions **satisfy the achievability constraints**, hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N} I(S; M) &\leq \delta, \\ \frac{1}{N} H(S) + \delta &\geq \frac{1}{N} \log_2 |S| \geq R - \delta. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

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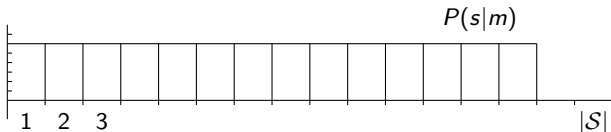
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For each m let $P(s|m) = 1/(\alpha|S|)$ or 0. Then an impostor can achieve

$$\begin{aligned} \log_2 \frac{1}{\text{FAR}} &= \log_2(\alpha|S|) \\ &= H(S|M) \\ &= H(S) - I(S; M) \\ &\geq N(R - 2\delta) - N\delta \\ &= N(R - 3\delta). \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{1}{N} \log_2 \frac{1}{\text{FAR}} \geq R - 3\delta. \tag{10}$$

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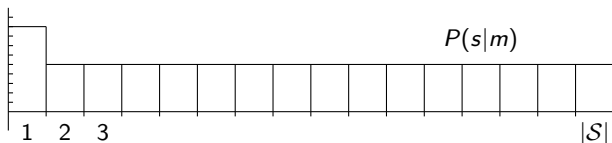
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For each m let $P(s|m) = 1 - \beta$ for a single s , and $\beta/(|S| - 1)$ for all the others. Then

$$\begin{aligned} H(S|M) &= H(S) - I(S; M) \geq H(S) - N\delta = (H(S) + N\delta) - 2N\delta \\ H(S|M) &= h(\beta) + \beta \log_2(|S| - 1) \\ &\leq 1 + \beta \log_2 |S| \leq 1 + \beta(H(S) + N\delta). \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Hence

$$(1 - \beta)(H(S) + N\delta) \leq 1 + 2N\delta, \quad (12)$$

$$\text{FAR} = (1 - \beta) \leq \frac{1 + 2N\delta}{H(S) + N\delta} \leq \frac{3\delta}{R - \delta}, \quad (13)$$

for large enough N , and for a MAP-impostor

$$\frac{1}{N} \log_2 \frac{1}{\text{FAR}} \geq \frac{1}{N} \log_2 \frac{R - \delta}{3\delta}. \quad (14)$$

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- **CONCLUSION** is that, in the Ahlsvede-Csiszar setting, a small $I(S; M)$ does not guarantee an exponentially small FAR.
- **QUESTION** is whether $\text{FAR} \approx 2^{-NC_s} = 2^{-NI(X;Y)}$ can be guaranteed in an authentication system based on secret-generation for all impostors.
- **QUESTION** is whether $I(X; Y)$ is a **fundamental limit for the false-accept exponent**, just as is it the fundamental limit for secret-key rate.
- **QUESTION** is (a) how to define achievability, (b) how to construct an achievability proof and a (c) converse that support the statement that $I(X; Y)$ is maximal false-accept exponent.

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Definition

False-accept exponent E is achievable if for all $\delta > 0$ and all N large enough there exists an encoder and a decoder such that

$$\text{FRR} \leq \delta, \quad (15)$$

while all impostor strategies will result in

$$\frac{1}{N} \log_2 \frac{1}{\text{FAR}} \geq E - \delta. \quad (16)$$

We will prove here the following result:

Theorem

For a biometric authentication model based on secret-generation the maximum achievable false-accept exponent E is equal to $I(X; Y)$.

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Note that in our achievability proof we must demonstrate

- that there **exist encoders and decoders** that achieve the FRR constraint (15),
- and that guarantee, **for all impostor strategies**, that the FAR constraint (16) is met for $E = I(X; Y)$.

ACHIEVABILITY: FRR, M-Labeling (Slepian-Wolf)

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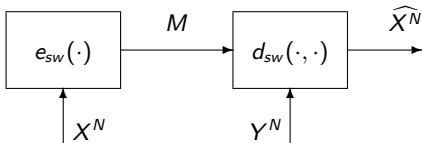
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First we show that there exist a (Slepian-Wolf) code for reconstruction of \widehat{X}^N by the decoder, see figure below.



This code defines the M -labeling.

It guarantees that $\Pr\{\widehat{X}^N \neq X^N\} \leq \delta$ for $|\mathcal{M}| = 2^{N(H(X|Y)+3\epsilon)}$ and N large enough.

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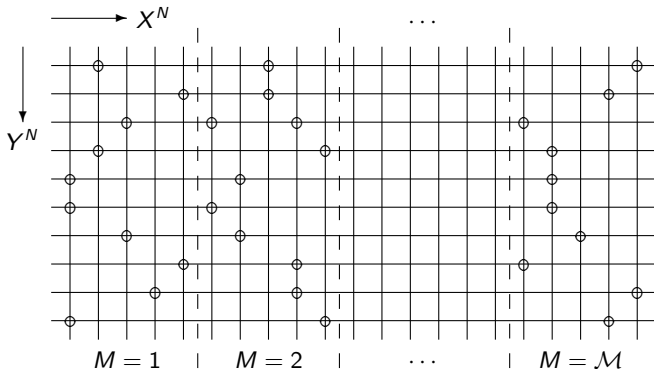
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Fix $\varepsilon > 0$ and an N . Consider the typical set $\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(XY)$. To each $x^N \in \mathcal{X}^N$ a label m that is **uniformly chosen** from $\{1, 2, \dots, M\}$ is assigned. Denote this label by $m(x^N)$. See figure above.

ENCODING: Upon observing x^N the encoder sends $m(x^N)$ to the decoder.


DECODING: The decoder chooses the unique \widehat{x}^N such that $m(\widehat{x}^N) = m(x^N)$ and $(\widehat{x}^N, y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(XY)$. If such an \widehat{x}^N cannot be found, the decoder declares an error³.

ERROR PROBABILITY: Averaged over the ensemble of labelings

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr\{\widehat{X}^N \neq X^N\} \\ &= \Pr\left\{(X^N, Y^N) \notin \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N \cup \bigcup_{x^N \neq X^N, (x^N, Y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N} M(x^N) = M(X^N)\right\} \\ &\leq \Pr\{(X^N, Y^N) \notin \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N\} + \Pr\left\{\bigcup_{x^N \neq X^N, (x^N, Y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N} M(x^N) = M(X^N)\right\} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

First term, for N large enough, is

$$\Pr\{(X^N, Y^N) \notin \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N\} \leq \varepsilon. \quad (18)$$

³It is not important what value \widehat{x}^N gets in that case. 

Second term, again for N large enough, is

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Pr \left\{ \bigcup_{x^N \neq X^N, (x^N, Y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N} M(x^N) = M(X^N) \right\} \\
 & \leq \sum_{x^N, y^N} P(x^N, y^N) \sum_{\tilde{x}^N \neq x^N, (\tilde{x}^N, y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N} \Pr\{M(\tilde{x}^N) = M(x^N)\} \\
 & \leq \sum_{x^N, y^N} P(x^N, y^N) |\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(X|y^N)| \frac{1}{|\mathcal{M}|} \\
 & \leq 2^{N(H(X|Y)+2\varepsilon)} \frac{1}{2^{N(H(X|Y)+3\varepsilon)}} \\
 & = 2^{-N\varepsilon} \\
 & \leq \varepsilon,
 \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

when we take

$$|\mathcal{M}| = 2^{N(H(X|Y)+3\varepsilon)}. \tag{20}$$

Averaged over the ensemble of M -labelings, the error probability is smaller than or equal to 2ε , for N large enough, hence **there exists** an M -labeling with

$$\Pr\{\widehat{X}^N \neq X^N\} \leq 2\varepsilon. \quad (21)$$

S-Labeling used by the encoder during enrollment:

ANY labeling $s(x^N) : \mathcal{X}^N \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, |\mathcal{S}|\}$ for $x^N \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(X)$, and $s(x^N) = \phi_e$ for $x^N \notin \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(X)$.

Behavior of decoder:

The decoder outputs as estimated secret $s(\widehat{x}^N)$, where \widehat{x}^N is the output of the SW-decoder, if this decoder didn't declare an error, and ϕ_d if an error was declared by the SW-decoder.

Note that if no error occurred the SW-encoder input x^N and equal SW-decoder output $\widehat{x}^N \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(X)$. This implies, that for an authorized individual, our encoder and decoder guarantee that

$$\text{FRR} = \Pr\{\widehat{S}_y \neq S\} \leq \Pr\{\widehat{X}^N \neq X^N\} \leq 2\varepsilon. \quad (22)$$

Fix a Slepian-Wolf code constructed before, and define for all $m \in \mathcal{M}$ the sets of typical sequences

$$\mathcal{A}(m) \triangleq \{x^N \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(X) \text{ for which } m(x^N) = m\}. \quad (23)$$

Now consider an $m \in \mathcal{M}$.

- An impostor, knowing the helper message m , tries to pick a sequence z^N such that the resulting estimated secret \widehat{S}_z is equal to the secret key S of the individual he claims to be.
- The impostor, knowing m , can decide for the most promising secret-key \widehat{S}_z and then choose a z^N that results, together with m , in this most promising key.
- The impostor, knowing m , **need only consider secrets \widehat{S}_z that result from typical sequences**, i.e. from $x^N \in \mathcal{A}(m)$. Other such sequences can not be output of the SW-decoder.

ACHIEVABILITY: Uniform S-labeling

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For each m , we distribute all the sequences $x^N \in \mathcal{A}(m)$ **roughly uniform over the s labels**. All non-typical sequences get label ϕ_e .

- The number of typical sequences with label m is upper bounded by

$$\Pr\{M = m\}/2^{-N(H(X)+\varepsilon)}.$$

- Distributing these sequences over all s -labels uniformly leads to at most

$$[\Pr\{M = m\}/(2^{-N(H(X)+\varepsilon)}|\mathcal{S}|)]$$

typical sequences having a certain secret label.

- The joint probability that m occurs and an impostor, knowing m , **chooses the correct secret**, is therefore upper-bounded by

$$\left[\frac{\Pr\{M = m\}}{2^{-N(H(X)+\varepsilon)}|\mathcal{S}|} \right] \cdot 2^{-N(H(X)-\varepsilon)}.$$

An upper bound for the FAR follows if we carry out the summation over all m . This results in

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{FAR} &\leq \sum_{m=1, |\mathcal{M}|} \left[\frac{\Pr\{M = m\}}{2^{-N(H(X)+\varepsilon)}|\mathcal{S}|} \right] \cdot 2^{-N(H(X)-\varepsilon)} \\
 &\leq \sum_{m=1, |\mathcal{M}|} \left(\frac{\Pr\{M = m\}}{2^{-N(H(X)+\varepsilon)}|\mathcal{S}|} + 1 \right) 2^{-N(H(X)-\varepsilon)} \\
 &= \sum_{m=1, |\mathcal{M}|} \frac{\Pr\{M = m\}}{2^{-N(H(X)+\varepsilon)}|\mathcal{S}|} 2^{-N(H(X)-\varepsilon)} + \sum_{m=1, |\mathcal{M}|} 2^{-N(H(X)-\varepsilon)} \\
 &= 2^{-N(I(X;Y)-4\varepsilon)} + 2^{-N(I(X;Y)-4\varepsilon)} \\
 &\leq 2^{-N(I(X;Y)-5\varepsilon)}, \tag{24}
 \end{aligned}$$

for large enough N , for all impostors, if we **take the number of s-labels**

$$|\mathcal{S}| = 2^{N(I(X;Y)-2\varepsilon)}. \tag{25}$$

The upper bound (22) on the FRR and the upper bound (24) on the FAR, results in the **achievability of false-accept exponent** $E = I(X; Y)$.

CONVERSE: Definition set $\mathcal{B}(m)$ and B -function

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We will show that for all encoders and decoders that achieve the FRR constraint (15), there is at least one impostor that does NOT satisfy the FAR constraint (16) for $E > I(X; Y)$.

First consider an encoder and decoder achieving (15). Now

$$\mathcal{B}(m) \triangleq \{s : \text{there exists an } y^N \text{ such that } d(m, y^N) = s\}, \quad (26)$$

hence $\mathcal{B}(m)$ is the set of secrets that can be reconstructed from m .

Moreover let $B(\cdot, \cdot)$ be a function of s and m , such that $B(s, m) = 1$ for $s \in \mathcal{B}(m)$ and $B(s, m) = 0$ otherwise.

Next note that

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &\geq \Pr\{\hat{S}_y \neq S\} \geq \sum_m \Pr\{M = m, S \notin \mathcal{B}(m)\} \\ &= P(B = 0), \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

since $S \notin \mathcal{B}(M)$ will always lead to an error.

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An impostor chooses, knowing m , a target secret $\hat{s}_z \in \mathcal{B}(m)$ with **maximum conditional probability**, i.e.,

$$\hat{s}_z(m) = \arg \max_{s \in \mathcal{B}(m)} P(s|m). \quad (28)$$

Since the **target secret can be realized**, this impostor achieves

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FAR} &= \sum_m P(m) \max_{s \in \mathcal{B}(m)} P(s|m) \\ &= \sum_m P(m) P(B=1|m) \max_{s \in \mathcal{B}(m)} \frac{P(s|m)}{P(B=1|m)} \\ &= \sum_m P(m) P(B=1|m) \max_{s \in \mathcal{B}(m)} \frac{P(s, B=1|m)}{P(B=1|m)} \\ &= \sum_m P(m, B=1) \max_s P(s|m, B=1). \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

CONVERSE: Conditional Entropy and FAR

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Next we consider a **relation between conditional entropy and FAR**.

$$\begin{aligned} H(S|M, B=1) &= \sum_m P(m|B=1) \sum_s P(s|m, B=1) \log_2 \frac{1}{P(s|m, B=1)} \\ &\geq \sum_m P(m|B=1) \sum_s P(s|m, B=1) \log_2 \frac{1}{\max_s P(s|m, B=1)} \\ &= \sum_m P(m|B=1) \log_2 \frac{1}{\max_s P(s|m, B=1)} \\ &\geq \log_2 \frac{1}{\sum_m P(m|B=1) \max_s P(s|m, B=1)} \\ &= \log_2 \frac{P(B=1)}{\text{FAR}}. \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

See Feder and Merhav [1994], Ho and Verdu [2009].

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Now can combine

$$\begin{aligned} P(B = 1)H(S|M, B = 1) &\leq H(S|M, B) \\ &\leq H(S|M) \\ &\leq I(S; Y^N|M) + F \\ &\leq H(Y^N) - H(Y^N|M, S, X^N) + F \\ &= H(Y^N) - H(Y^N|X^N) + F \\ &= NI(X; Y) + F, \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

where $F = 1 + \Pr\{\hat{S}_y \neq S\} \log_2 |\mathcal{X}|^N$, is the **Fano-term**.

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Combining (30) and (31) we get

$$\begin{aligned} P(B=1) \log_2 \frac{P(B=1)}{\text{FAR}} &\leq P(B=1) H(S|M, B=1) \\ &\leq NI(X; Y) + 1 + \Pr\{\hat{S}_y \neq S\} \log_2 |\mathcal{X}|^N. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Consider an achievable exponent E . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P(B=1)N(E - \delta) + P(B=1) \log_2 P(B=1) \\ \leq NI(X; Y) + 1 + \Pr\{\hat{S}_y \neq S\} \log_2 |\mathcal{X}|^N. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

If we now let $\delta \downarrow 0$ and $N \rightarrow \infty$ then since $\Pr\{\hat{S}_y \neq S\} \leq \delta$, and $P(B=1) \geq 1 - \Pr\{\hat{S}_y \neq S\} \geq 1 - \delta$, we get that

$$E \leq I(X; Y). \quad (34)$$

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Consider the mutual information $I(X^N; M)$ of the biometric sequence X^N and the helper data M . This mutual information is what we call the **privacy-leakage**. We can write for our code that demonstrates the achievability of $E = I(X; Y)$ that

$$\begin{aligned} I(X^N; M) &\leq H(M) \\ &\leq \log_2 |\mathcal{M}| \\ &= N(H(X|Y) + 3\epsilon) \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

QUESTION: What is the trade-off between false-accept exponent and privacy-leakage rate?

Consider again our authentication system based on secret generation.

Definition

False-accept exponent - privacy-leakage rate combination (E, L) is achievable if for all $\delta > 0$ and all N large enough there exist encoders and decoders such that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FRR} &\leq \delta, \\ \frac{1}{N} I(X^N; M) &\leq L + \delta, \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

while all impostor strategies will result in

$$\frac{1}{N} \log_2 \frac{1}{\text{FAR}} \geq E - \delta. \quad (37)$$

The region of achievable exponent-rate combinations is defined as \mathcal{R}_{EL} .

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We will prove here the following result:

Theorem

For a biometric authentication system based on secret-generation the region \mathcal{R}_{EL} of achievable false-accept exponent - privacy-leakage combinations satisfies

$$\mathcal{R}_{EL} = \{(E, L) : 0 \leq E \leq I(U; Y), \\ L \geq I(U; X) - I(U; Y), \\ \text{for } P(u, x, y) = Q(x, y)P(u|x)\} \quad (38)$$

- (A) In the achievability part we will **transform the biometric source (X, Y) into a source (Q, Y^N)** with roughly $H(Y^N|Q) \leq NH(Y|U)$ and $Q \in \{\phi_q, 1, 2, \dots, |\mathcal{Q}|\}$ with roughly $|\mathcal{Q}| = 2^{NI(U;X)}$. We can say that Q is a **quantized version of X^N** . For this new source we use the achievability part of the first theorem.
- (B) The converse part is standard.

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Fix a $P(u|x)$. Let $0 < \epsilon < 1$. For the properties of \mathcal{A}_ϵ^N we refer to Cover and Thomas [2006].

Definition

Assuming that transition probability matrix $P(u|x)$ determines the joint probability distribution $P(u, x, y) = Q(x, y)P(u|x)$ we define

$$\mathcal{B}_\epsilon^N(UX) \triangleq \{(u^N, x^N) : \Pr\{Y^N \in \mathcal{A}_\epsilon^N(Y|u^N, x^N) | (U^N, X^N) = (u^N, x^N)\} \geq 1 - \sqrt{\epsilon}\}, \quad (39)$$

where Y^N is the output sequence of a “channel”
 $Q(y|x) = Q(x, y) / \sum_x Q(x, y)$ when sequence x^N is input.

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Property

If $(u^N, x^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\epsilon^N(UX)$ then also $(u^N, x^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\epsilon^N(UX)$.

Property

Let (U^N, X^N) be i.i.d. according to $P(u, x)$ then

$$\Pr\{(U^N, X^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\epsilon^N(UX)\} \geq 1 - \sqrt{\epsilon} \quad (40)$$

for all large enough N .

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- 1 Observe that $(u^N, x^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\epsilon^N(UX)$ implies that at least one y^N exist such that $(u^N, x^N, y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\epsilon^N(UXY)$. Thus $(u^N, x^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\epsilon^N(UX)$.
- 2 When (U^N, X^N, Y^N) is i.i.d. with respect to $P(u, x, y)$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr\{(U^N, X^N, Y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\epsilon^N(UXY)\} \\ & \leq \sum_{(u^N, x^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\epsilon^N(UX)} P(u^N, x^N) + \sum_{(u^N, x^N) \notin \mathcal{B}_\epsilon^N(UX)} P(u^N, x^N)(1 - \sqrt{\epsilon}) \\ & = 1 - \sqrt{\epsilon} + \sqrt{\epsilon} \Pr\{(U^N, X^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\epsilon^N(UX)\}, \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr\{(U^N, X^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\epsilon^N(UX)\} \\ & \geq 1 - \frac{1 - \Pr\{(U^N, X^N, Y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\epsilon^N(UXY)\}}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}. \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

The weak law of large numbers implies that $\Pr\{(U^N, X^N, Y^N) \in \mathcal{A}_\epsilon^N(UXY)\} \geq 1 - \epsilon$ for large enough N . From (42) we now obtain the second property.

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- **Random coding:** For each index $q \in \{1, 2, \dots, |\mathcal{Q}|\}$ generate an auxiliary sequence $u^N(q)$ at random according to $P(u) = \sum_{x,y} Q(x,y)P(u|x)$.
- **Quantizing:** When x^N occurs, let Q be the smallest value of q such that $(u^N(q), x^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\varepsilon^N(UX)$. If no such q is found set $Q = \phi_q$.
- **Events:** Let X^N and Y^N be the observed biometric source sequences, Q the index determined by the quantizer. Define, for $q = 1, 2, \dots, |\mathcal{Q}|$, the events:

$$E_q \triangleq \{(u^N(q), X^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\varepsilon^N(UX)\}. \quad (43)$$

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As in Gallager [1968], p. 454, we write

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr \left\{ \bigcap_q E_q^c \right\} &= \sum_{x^N \in \mathcal{X}^N} Q(x^N) \prod_q \left(1 - \sum_{u^N \in \mathcal{B}_\varepsilon^N(U|x^N)} P(u^N) \right) \\ &\stackrel{(a)}{\leq} \sum_{x^N \in \mathcal{X}^N} Q(x^N) (1 - 2^{-N(I(U;X)+3\varepsilon)}) \cdot \sum_{u^N \in \mathcal{B}_\varepsilon^N(U|x^N)} P(u^N|x^N)^{|\mathcal{Q}|} \\ &\stackrel{(b)}{\leq} \sum_{x^N \in \mathcal{X}^N} Q(x^N) \left(1 - \sum_{u^N \in \mathcal{B}_\varepsilon^N(U|x^N)} P(u^N|x^N) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \exp(-|\mathcal{Q}|2^{-N(I(U;X)+3\varepsilon)}) \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{(u^N, x^N) \notin \mathcal{B}_\varepsilon^N(UX)} P(u^N, x^N) + \sum_{x^N \in \mathcal{X}^N} Q(x^N) \exp(-2^{N\varepsilon}) \\ &\stackrel{(c)}{\leq} 2\sqrt{\varepsilon}, \end{aligned} \tag{44}$$

for N large enough, if $|\mathcal{Q}| = 2^{N(I(U;X)+4\varepsilon)}$.

Here (a) follows from the fact that for $(u^N, x^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\varepsilon^N(UX)$, using the first property, we get

$$\begin{aligned} P(u^N) &= P(u^N|x^N) \frac{Q(x^N)P(u^N)}{P(x^N, u^N)} \\ &\geq P(u^N|x^N) \frac{2^{-N(H(X)+\varepsilon)}2^{-N(H(U)+\varepsilon)}}{2^{-N(H(U,X)-\varepsilon)}} \\ &= P(u^N|x^N)2^{-N(I(U;X)+3\varepsilon)}, \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

(b) from the inequality $(1 - \alpha\beta)^K \leq 1 - \alpha + \exp(-K\beta)$, which holds for $0 \leq \alpha, \beta \leq 1$ and $K > 0$, and (c) from the second property.

We have shown that, over the ensemble of auxiliary sequences, for N large enough, $\Pr\{Q = \phi_q\} \leq 2\sqrt{\varepsilon}$.

Therefore there exists a set of auxiliary sequences achieving

$$\Pr\{Q = \phi_q\} \leq 2\sqrt{\varepsilon}. \quad (46)$$

Consider such a set of auxiliary sequences (a quantizer).

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With probability $\geq 1 - 2\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ an x^N occurs for which there is a q such that $(u^N(q), x^N) \in \mathcal{B}_\varepsilon^N(UX)$.

Then, with probability $\geq 1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon}$ the observed y^N is in $\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(Y|u^N(q), x^N)$ and consequently in $\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(Y|u^N(q))$. Furthermore note that $|\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon^N(Y|u^N(q))| \leq 2^{N(H(Y|U)+2\varepsilon)}$.

Now:

$$\begin{aligned} H(Y^N|Q) &\leq 2\sqrt{\varepsilon} \log_2 |\mathcal{Y}|^N + (1 - 2\sqrt{\varepsilon}) + (1 - 2\sqrt{\varepsilon})\sqrt{\varepsilon} \log_2 |\mathcal{Y}|^N \\ &\quad + (1 - 2\sqrt{\varepsilon})(1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon}) \log_2 2^{N(H(Y|U)+2\varepsilon)} \\ &\leq N(1 - 3\sqrt{\varepsilon} + 2\varepsilon)H(Y|U) + N(3\sqrt{\varepsilon} - 2\varepsilon) \log_2 |\mathcal{Y}| \\ &\quad + (1 - 2\sqrt{\varepsilon}). \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

By decreasing ε and increasing N , we can get $H(Y^N|Q)/N$ arbitrarily close to $H(Y|U)$, or

$$I(Q; Y^N)/N = H(Y) - H(Y^N|Q)/N \quad (48)$$

arbitrary close to $I(U; Y)$.

Moreover in the same way we can get

$$\begin{aligned} H(Q|Y^N)/N &= H(Q)/N + H(Y^N|Q)/N - H(Y) \\ &\leq I(U; X) + 4\epsilon + H(Y^N|Q)/N - H(Y) \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

arbitrary close to $I(U; X) - I(U; Y)$.

We apply the **achievability proof for the basic theorem** now. This leads to the achievability of the combination

$$(E, L) = (I(U; Y), I(U; X) - I(U; Y)). \quad (50)$$

We only consider the basic steps. First we bound

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(S|M) &\leq I(S; Y^N|M) + H(S|Y^N, M) \\
 &\leq I(S; Y^N|M) + H(S|\hat{S}_y) \\
 &\leq I(S, M; |Y^N) + F \\
 &= \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M; Y_n|Y^{n-1}) + F \\
 &= \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M, Y^{n-1}; Y_n) + F \\
 &\leq \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M, Y_{n-1}, X^{n-1}; Y_n) + F \\
 &= \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M, X^{n-1}; Y_n) + F, \tag{51}
 \end{aligned}$$

where $F \triangleq 1 + \delta \log |\mathcal{X}|^N$.

This is plugged into the FAR part of the basic converse.

Now we continue with the privacy leakage.

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(X^N; M) &= H(M) - H(M|X^N) \\
 &\geq H(M|Y^N) - H(S, M|X^N) \\
 &= H(S, M|Y^N) - H(S|M, Y^N, \hat{S}_y) - H(S, M|X^N) \\
 &\geq H(S, M|Y^N) - H(S|\hat{S}_y) - H(S, M|X^N) \\
 &\geq H(S, M|Y^N) - F - H(S, M|X^N) \\
 &= I(S, M; X^N) - I(S, M; Y^N) - F \\
 &= \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M; X_n|X^{n-1}) - \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M; Y_n|Y^{n-1}) - F \\
 &= \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M, X^{n-1}; X_n) - \sum_{n=1}^N I(S, M, Y^{n-1}; Y_n) - F \\
 &\geq \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M, X^{n-1}; X_n) - \sum_{n=1, N} I(S, M, X^{n-1}; Y_n) - F,
 \end{aligned} \tag{52}$$

where $(S, M, X^{n-1}) - X_n - Y_n$. Etc.

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- We extended the work of Ahlswe-de-Csiszar [1993] on the **secrecy capacity** to authentication with an impostor that has access to the helper-message. We found the fundamental limit on the false-accept exponent. As expected it is equal to the secrecy capacity.
- We also determined the fundamental **trade-off** between false-accept exponent and privacy-leakage rate. In this way we strengthened the results of Ignatenko-W [2008,2009] and Lai, Ho, and Poor [2008,2011] on the trade-off between secret-key rate and privacy-leakage rate. Again there is no difference in regions.
- **Related literature:** A. Hypothesis testing (Ahlswe-de-Csiszar [1986]), ... B. Two-factor systems (Wang, Rane, Draper, Ishwar [2011]), ... , (C) Trade-off (Csiszar-Narayan [2000]), ...
- Extensions to **identification with protected templates** and FAR with impostor?
- **Code constructions.** In the binary symmetric case **fuzzy commitment** (Juels and Wattenberg [1999]) could be fine.
- Relation to **unprotected case.** Same exponent.
- Authentication models **not based on secret generation.**
- Size of S as a **parameter.**