

Computational Differential Privacy

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Focus of the Talk

- Relaxations of differential privacy for computational adversaries
- How they relate to one another and other existing notions
- Natural protocols demonstrating their benefits

Motivation

- Achieve **better utility**
- Standard MPC does not prevent what is leaked by the output
 - Can we combine computational MPC protocols with DP-functions [DKMMN'06,BNO'08]?
- **Nontrivial differentially private mechanisms must be randomized**
 - Applications typically use **pseudorandom** sources. What are the **formal** privacy guarantees achieved?

Differential Privacy

[Dwork'06]

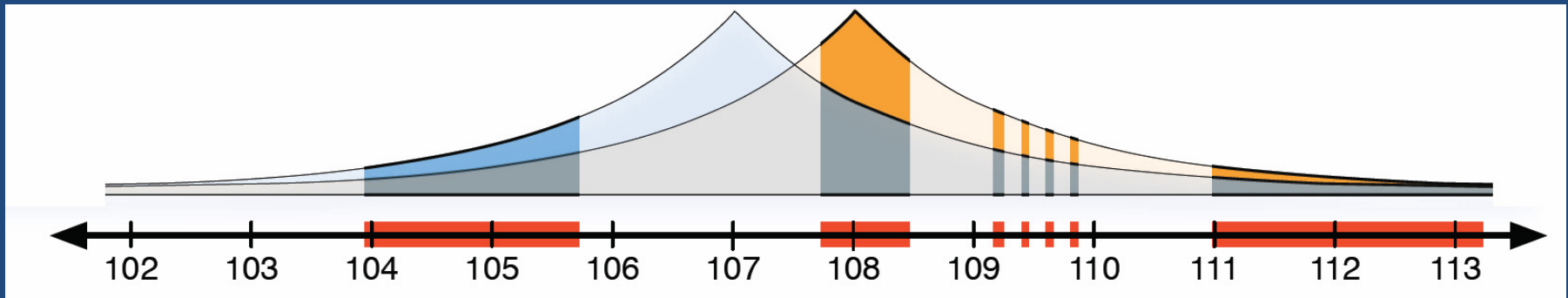
“adjacent” means
“differ in one
individual’s entry”




- Mechanism K provides privacy to individual’s data effects the output of K “a little”

$K: D \rightarrow R$ ensures ϵ -DP if for all adjacent datasets D_1, D_2 and for all subsets S of R :

$$\frac{\Pr[K(D_1) \in S]}{\Pr[K(D_2) \in S]} \leq e^\epsilon$$

Pictorial Representation



-  — bad outcome
-  — probability with record x
-  — probability without record x

Towards Computational Notions

$$\Pr[K(D_1) \in S] \leq e^\epsilon \Pr[K(D_2) \in S]$$

Equivalently,

$$\Pr[\mathbf{A}(K(D_1)) = 1] \leq e^\epsilon \Pr[\mathbf{A}(K(D_2)) = 1]$$

First Definition: IND-CDP

ϵ -IND-CDP: Mechanism K is ϵ -IND-CDP if for all adjacent D_1, D_2 , for all **polynomial sized circuits** A , and for all large enough λ , it holds that,

$$\Pr[A(K(D_1)) = 1] \leq e^\epsilon \Pr[A(K(D_2)) = 1] + \text{negl}(\lambda)$$

Necessary



Simulation-based Approach

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M(D)



X

\approx_C



Y

K(D)



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Differentially
Private M

Second Definition: SIM-CDP

ϵ -SIM-CDP: Mechanism K is ϵ -SIM-CDP if there exists an ϵ -differentially-private mechanism M such that for all D , distributions $M(D)$ and $K(D)$

$\exists M, \forall (D_1, D_2)$ are computationally indistinguishable.

- M is not necessarily a PPT mechanism
- Reversing the order of quantifiers yields another definition, **$\text{SIM}_{\forall\exists}$ -CDP**:

$\forall (D_1, D_2), \exists M$

Immediate Questions

- Are these definitions **equivalent**?
- Not hard to see that

$$\text{SIM-CDP} \implies \text{IND-CDP}$$

- Main question:

$$\text{IND-CDP} \implies \text{SIM-CDP?}$$

Connection with Dense Models

[RTTV'08, Imp'08]

- Distribution X is α -dense in Y if for all tests T ,

$$\Pr[T(X) = 1] \leq \frac{1}{\alpha} \Pr[T(Y) = 1]$$

- X is α -pseudodense in Y if for all PPT tests T ,

$$\Pr[T(X) = 1] \leq \frac{1}{\alpha} \Pr[T(Y) = 1] + \text{negl}$$

[RTTV'08] : Reingold, O., Trevisan, L., Tulsiani, M., Vadhan, S.

“Dense subsets of Pseudorandom Sets”, FOCS 2008.

Connection with Dense Models

[RTTV'08, Imp'08]

- **Differential Privacy:**
 - $\Pr[K(D_1) \in S] \leq e^\epsilon \Pr[K(D_2) \in S]$
 - $\Pr[K(D_2) \in S] \leq e^\epsilon \Pr[K(D_1) \in S]$
- **In the language of dense models**
 - $K(D_1)$ is e^ϵ -dense in $K(D_2)$
 - $K(D_2)$ is e^ϵ -dense in $K(D_1)$

ϵ -DP: $K(D_1)$ and $K(D_2)$ are mutually e^ϵ -dense

Connection with Dense Models

[RTTV '08, Imp'08]

- ϵ - IND-CDP:
 - $\Pr[A(K(D_1)) = 1] \leq e^\epsilon \Pr[A(K(D_2)) = 1] + \text{negl}$
 - $\Pr[A(K(D_2)) = 1] \leq e^\epsilon \Pr[A(K(D_1)) = 1] + \text{negl}$
- In the language of dense models
 - $K(D_1)$ is e^ϵ -pseudodense in $K(D_2)$
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Some Notation

$X \dashleftarrow Y$ (X is **pseudodense** in Y)

$X \dashleftarrow \dashrightarrow Y$ (X,Y are mutually **pseudodense**)

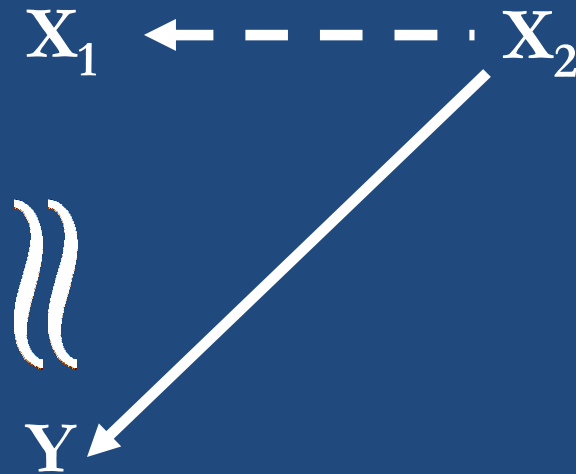
$X \longleftarrow Y$ (X is **dense** in Y)

$X \longleftrightarrow Y$ (X,Y are mutually **dense**)

$X \approx Y$ (X,Y comp. indistinguishable)

The Dense Model Theorem

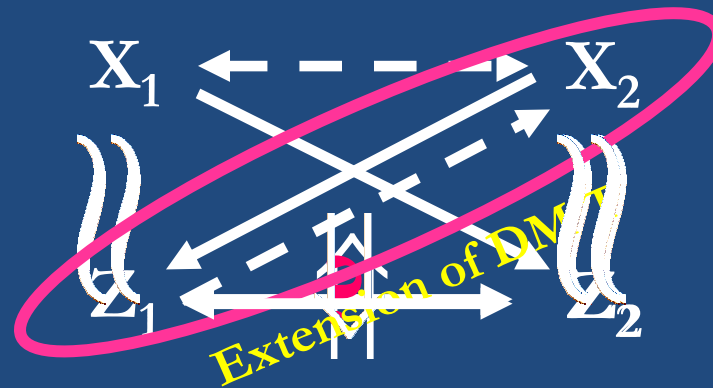
[RTTV'08]



Thm : If X_1 is pseudodense in X_2 , there exists a model Y (truly) dense in X_2 such that X_1 is computationally indistinguishable from Y .

Proof Ideas

(IND-CDP)



$$X_1 = K(D_1)$$

$$X_2 = K(D_2)$$

(SIM_→-CDP)



$$Y_1 = M(D_1)$$

$$Y_2 = M(D_2)$$

~~$\forall (D_1, D_2), \exists M$~~
 $(D_1, D_2) \forall M$

$X \leftarrow Y$: X dense in Y,

$X \leftarrow \dots Y$: X pseudo-dense in Y,

$X \longleftrightarrow Y$: X, Y mutually dense

$X \leftarrow \dots \rightarrow Y$: X, Y mutually pseudo-dense

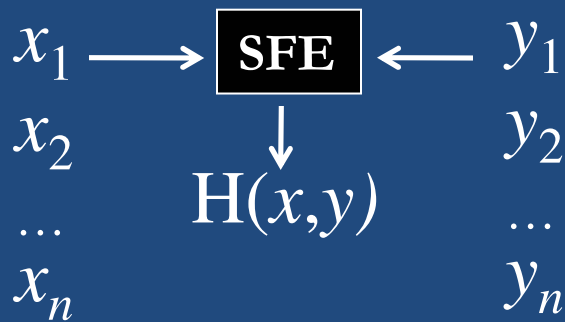
To Recap

- We prove an extension of “The Dense Model Theorem” of [RTTV’08].
- Sufficient to establish: **IND-CDP** \Leftrightarrow **SIM _{$\forall \mathcal{E}$} -CDP**
- Still OPEN: **IND-CDP** $\stackrel{?}{\Rightarrow}$ **SIM-CDP**

Benefits: Better Utility

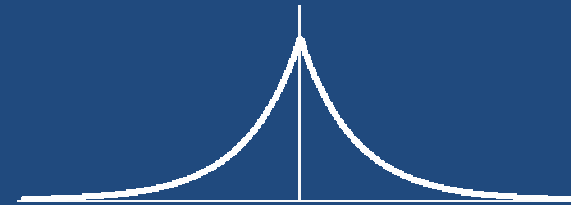
Alice

Bob



Protocol:

~~Trusted Party:~~ $H(x,y) + \text{Lap}(1/\epsilon)$



DP : Requires $\tilde{\Omega}(n^{1/2})$ error !

[Reingold-Vadhan]

CDP : Easily get $\Theta(1/\epsilon)$ error w/ constant probability.

Other Results

- A new protocol for Hamming Distance:
 - Differentially private (standard)
 - Constant **multiplicative** error
- Differentially Private Two-Party Computation

Thank you for your attention!