Separating Sources for Encryption and Secret Sharing

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This work: compare sources for secret sharing and encryption of 1 bit



Outline

- More formal statement of the results
- Encryption \rightarrow 2-2 Secret Sharing
- ▶ 2-2 Secret Sharing $\not\rightarrow$ Encryption
- ▶ 2-2 Secret Sharing \rightarrow (1/2)-Encryption

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- Computational aspects of separation
- Open problems
- Conclusions

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- \Rightarrow 0-encryption \equiv perfect encryption
- \Rightarrow 1-encryption \equiv identity (no encryption)

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 ${\sf Encryption} \to \text{2-2 Secret Sharing}$

Given

$$\mathsf{Enc}\colon \mathcal{K}\times\mathcal{M}\to\mathcal{C}\qquad \mathsf{Dec}\colon \mathcal{K}\times\mathcal{C}\to\mathcal{M}$$

define

$$Share_k(m) \rightarrow (k, Enc_k(m))$$

 $Rec(s_1, s_2) \rightarrow Dec_{s_1}(s_2)$

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2. Any source which allows for perfect 2-2 secret sharing allows for (1/2)-encryption.

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▶ for a key $k \in \mathcal{K}$: $\operatorname{Enc}_k(0) = u$, $\operatorname{Enc}_k(1) = v$

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► for randomness $k \in \mathcal{K}$: Share_k(0) = (a₁, b₁), Share_k(1) = (a₃, b₄)

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 \Rightarrow 4 distributions (Ω_i uniform on \mathcal{S}_i):



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- will show:

for at least one S_i edges $E(S_i)$ do not form a cycle

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- ▶ there is no δ -encryption for $\mathscr S$ with $\delta < 1/3$.
- \Rightarrow Theorem holds also for high min-entropy sources.

2-2 Secret Sharing \rightarrow (1/2)-Encryption

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