

# Accumulating Entropy with Adversarial Sources

Let

1.  $D$  be a 2-monotone distribution with min-entropy  $k$ .
2.  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  be the length of sources  $x_i$  for  $0 \leq i < N$  for some  $N$ .
3.  $\pi : [n] \rightarrow [n]$  be a cyclic permutation ( $\pi^m = id$  iff  $n|m$ ). Then  $f_\pi : [2]^n \rightarrow [2]^n$  where  $(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) \mapsto (x_{\pi(0)}, \dots, x_{\pi(n-1)})$ . Clearly,  $f_\pi^m = f_{\pi^m}$ .
4.  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the adversary.
5. for any  $0 \leq p \leq 1$ , let  $D_p$  be the distribution where 1 occurs with probability  $p$  and 0 with probability  $1 - p$ .
6.  $p$  be the probability that  $\mathcal{A}$  can replace a source with one of its choosing.

## 1 Version 1 (Sept 24, 2021)

Hybrid  $H_0$ :

1. Let  $R_0 = 0^n$ .
2. For  $0 \leq i < N$ ,
  - (a) Sample  $x_i \leftarrow D$ .
  - (b)  $\mathcal{A}$  samples  $b_i \leftarrow D_p$ . If  $b_i = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_i \in [2]^n$  and sets  $x_i = y_i$ . Otherwise,  $x_i$  is unaffected.
  - (c)  $R_{i+1} = R_i \oplus f_\pi^i(x_i)$
3.  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses and outputs  $R_{\mathcal{A}} \in [2]^n$ .
4. If  $R_{\mathcal{A}} = R_N$ , output 1. Otherwise, output 0. modify for  $R_{\mathcal{A}} \approx R_N$

Hybrid  $H_1$ : Same as  $H_0$  except  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $R_{\mathcal{A}}$  before the experiment begins and always replaces  $x_{N-1}$  with its choice  $y_{N-1}$ .

**Lemma 1.1.**

$$P(H_0 = 1) \leq P(H_1 = 1)$$

I think  $P(H_1 = 1) = P(H_0 = 1)/(p + (1 - p)P(\mathcal{A} \text{ correctly guesses } x_{N-1})) \geq P(H_0 = 1)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $H_0 = 1$ . Then  $\mathcal{A}$  predicted the value of  $R_N$ . Let  $R_{\mathcal{A}}$  be the string  $\mathcal{A}$  choose before the experiment started. Then choose  $y_{N-1} = x_{N-1} \oplus R_N \oplus R_{\mathcal{A}}$ . Then

$$R'_N := R_{N-1} \oplus y_{N-1} = R_{N-1} \oplus x_{N-1} \oplus R_N \oplus R_{\mathcal{A}} = R_N \oplus R_N \oplus R_{\mathcal{A}} = R_{\mathcal{A}}$$

where  $R'_N$  is the value of the register at the end of  $H_1$ .

Suppose  $H_1 = 1$ . If  $\mathcal{A}$  in  $H_0$  successfully replaces  $x_{N-1}$  (which happens with probability  $p$ ), then  $H_0 = 1$  by an analogous argument to the one above. If not,  $\mathcal{A}$  must correctly guess  $x_{N-1}$ . Since  $(H_0 = 1) \implies (H_1 = 1)$ ,  $(H_1 = 0) \implies (H_0 = 0)$ , so  $P(H_0 = 1) = (p + (1 - p)P(\mathcal{A} \text{ correctly guesses } x_{N-1}))P(H_1 = 1) \leq P(H_1 = 1)$ .  $\square$

Hybrid  $H_2$ : Same as  $H_1$  except  $\mathcal{A}$  always chooses  $R_{\mathcal{A}} = 0^n$ .

**Lemma 1.2.**

$$P(H_1 = 1) = P(H_2 = 1)$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $H_1 = 1$ . Then  $R_{\mathcal{A}} = R_N$ . If  $\mathcal{A}$  replaced  $x_{N-1}$  with  $y_{N-1} \oplus R_{\mathcal{A}}$  instead of  $y_{N-1}$ , then  $H_2 = 1$ . Thus  $P(H_1 = 1) \leq P(H_2 = 1)$ . The same argument proves  $P(H_1 = 1) \geq P(H_2 = 1)$ .  $\square$

it is very easy (actually “easier”) in the proof of the first lemma to jump to  $H_2$ . Is it worth having  $H_1$ ?

Hybrid  $H_3$ : Same as  $H_2$  except  $\mathcal{A}$  computes  $T_0 = 0^n$  and  $T_{i+1} = T_i \oplus f_{\pi}^i(y_i)$  if  $b_i = 1$  and  $T_{i+1} = T_i$  otherwise.

$\mathcal{A}$  only does computations on information it already knows, so it is equivalent to  $H_2$ .

Hybrid  $H_4$ : Same as  $H_3$  except if  $b_i = 1$ , the choice of  $y_i$  must satisfy  $f_{\pi}^i(y_i) \& T_i = 0^n$ .

Alternate Hybrid  $H'_3$ : Same as  $H_2$  except if  $i < N - 1$  and  $b_i = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  always chooses  $y_i = 0$ .  $\mathcal{A}$  can choose any string for  $y_{N-1}$ .

I think this has the same effect as tagging, but is more streamlined. This is Hybrid E? I am not convinced this is trivially secure from No Time to Hash. This behaves like having a sequence of permutations  $\pi^{\ell_i}$  where  $\ell_i$  are “increasing” mod  $n$  instead of a constant permutation (which corresponds to the sequence  $\pi^i$ ). No Time to Hash does not give a description in that case. We should be ok if for each  $0 \leq \ell < n$ ,  $\exists 0 \leq i < N$  such that  $\ell_i = \ell$ . Seems stronger than we need, but would definitely work. If  $N$  is a multiple of  $n$ , “increasing” corresponds to increasing as integers except at  $N/n - 1$  many  $i$ .

## 2 Version 2 (Sept 28, 2021)

Hybrid  $H_0$ :

1. Let  $R_0 = 0^n$ .
2. For  $0 \leq i < N$ ,
  - (a) Sample  $x_i \leftarrow D$ .
  - (b)  $\mathcal{A}$  samples  $b_i \leftarrow D_p$ . If  $b_i = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_i \in \{0, 1\}^n$  and sets  $x_i = y_i$ . Otherwise,  $x_i$  is unaffected.
  - (c)  $R_{i+1} = R_i \oplus f_\pi^i(x_i)$
3.  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses and outputs  $R_{\mathcal{A}} \in \{0, 1\}^n$ .
4. If  $R_{\mathcal{A}} = R_N$ , output 1. Otherwise, output 0. modify for  $R_{\mathcal{A}} \approx R_N$

Hybrid  $H_1$ :

0.  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $R_{\mathcal{A}}$ .
1. Let  $R_0 = 0^n$ .
2. For  $0 \leq i < N$ ,
  - (a) Sample  $x_i \leftarrow D$ .
  - (b)  $\mathcal{A}$  samples  $b_i \leftarrow D_p$ . If  $b_i = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_i \in \{0, 1\}^n$  and sets  $x_i = y_i$ . Otherwise,  $x_i$  is unaffected.
  - (c)  $R_{i+1} = R_i \oplus f_\pi^i(x_i)$
3.  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_N \in \{0, 1\}^n$  and outputs  $R_{\mathcal{A}}$ . Compute  $R_{N+1} = R_N \oplus y_N$ .
4. If  $R_{\mathcal{A}} = R_{N+1}$ , output 1. Otherwise, output 0.

**Lemma 2.1.**

$$P(H_0 = 1) = P(H_1 = 1)$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $H_0 = 1$ . Then  $\mathcal{A}$  predicted the value of  $R_N$ . Let  $R_{\mathcal{A}}$  be the string  $\mathcal{A}$  choose before the experiment started. Then choose  $y_N = \oplus R_N \oplus R_{\mathcal{A}}$ . Then  $R_{N+1} := R_N \oplus y_N = R_{\mathcal{A}}$ .

Suppose  $H_1 = 1$ . Then  $R_{\mathcal{A}} = R_N \oplus y_N$ . The adversary in  $H_0$  would know  $R_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $y_N$ , so they can  $R_{\mathcal{A}} \oplus y_N$  at step 3. Then  $H_0 = 1$ .  $\square$

Hybrid  $H_2$ :

0.  ~~$\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $R_{\mathcal{A}}$ .~~
1. Let  $R_0 = 0^n$ .

2. For  $0 \leq i < N$ ,
  - (a) Sample  $x_i \leftarrow D$ .
  - (b)  $\mathcal{A}$  samples  $b_i \leftarrow D_p$ . If  $b_i = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_i \in \{0, 1\}^n$  and sets  $x_i = y_i$ . Otherwise,  $x_i$  is unaffected.
  - (c)  $R_{i+1} = R_i \oplus f_\pi^i(x_i)$
3.  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_N \in \{0, 1\}^n$  ~~and outputs  $R_{\mathcal{A}}$~~ . Compute  $R_{N+1} = R_N \oplus y_N$ .
4. If  $R_{N+1} = 0$ , output 1. Otherwise, output 0.

**Lemma 2.2.**

$$P(H_1 = 1) = P(H_2 = 1)$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $H_1 = 1$ . Then  $R_{\mathcal{A}} = R_{N+1}$ , so  $\mathcal{A}$  knows  $R_{N+1}$  and thus  $R_N = R_{N+1} \oplus y_N$ . To succeed in  $H_2$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_N = R_N$  instead.

Now suppose  $H_2 = 1$ . Then  $R_{N+1} = R_N \oplus y_N = 0$ , so  $\mathcal{A}$  was able to guess  $y_N = R_N$ . Let  $y_N = R_N \oplus R_{\mathcal{A}}$  instead. Then  $R_{N+1} = R_{\mathcal{A}}$ .  $\square$

Hybrid  $H_3$ :

1. Let  $R_0 = 0^n$  and  $E = 0$ .
2. For  $0 \leq i < N$ ,
  - (a) Sample  $x_i \leftarrow D$ .
  - (b)  $\mathcal{A}$  samples  $b_i \leftarrow D_p$ . If  $b_i = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_i \in \{0, 1\}^n$  and sets  $x_i = y_i$ . If  $y_i \neq 0$ , set  $E = 1$ . Otherwise,  $x_i$  is unaffected.
  - (c)  $R_{i+1} = R_i \oplus f_\pi^i(x_i)$
3.  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses  $y_N \in \{0, 1\}^n$ . Compute  $R_{N+1} = R_N \oplus y_N$ .
4. If  $R_{N+1} = 0$  and  $E = 0$ , output 1. Otherwise, output 0.

**Lemma 2.3.**

$$P(H_2 = 1) = P(H_3 = 1)$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $H_2 = 1$ . Since the  $x_i$  are independent, they do not depend on  $R_j$  for  $j < i$ . Thus if an  $x_i$  is replaced with  $y_i$ , it does not influence the other  $x_j$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  in  $H_3$  chooses the same  $y_i$  as  $\mathcal{A}$  in  $H_2$ , but they set  $x_i = 0$  if  $b_i = 1$ . Then choose  $y'_N = y_N \bigoplus_{b_i=1} f_\pi^i(y_i)$ . Then  $R'_{N+1} = R'_N \oplus y'_N = R_N \oplus y_N = 0$ , so  $H_3 = 1$ .

Suppose  $H_3 = 1$ . Then  $R_{N+1} = 0$ , so  $H_2 = 1$ .  $\square$