

Robust PUF based Authentication

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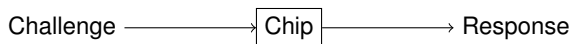
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- Physical Unclonable Functions (**PUFs**): functions that use the production variability to generate device-specific data \Rightarrow fingerprint of device
- PUFs are used for **device authentication**
- Security on higher layers is usually based on the assumption of insufficient computational capabilities of non-legitimate receivers \Rightarrow use of **information theoretic secrecy concepts**
- Practical systems often suffer from uncertainty in source state information \Rightarrow **compound sources**



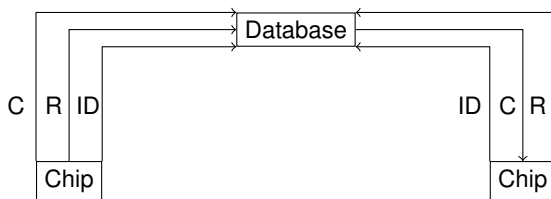
PUFs consist of:

- Input signal: **Challenge**
- Output signal: **Response**



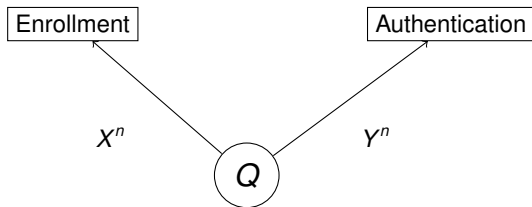
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- Enrollment Phase
 - Gather a number of challenge response pairs (CRPs)
 - Store the CRPs in a CRPs database together with ID
- Authentication phase
 - Claim ID
 - Apply a challenge from the CRP data base
 - Compare the response made by the PUF with the one stored.



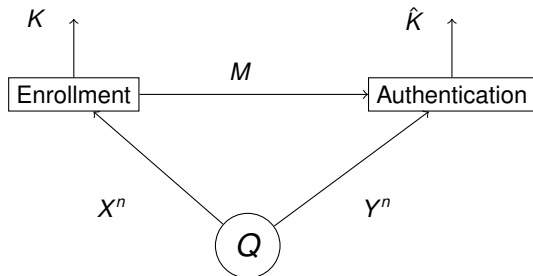
Authentication Model

- \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} finite.
- Discrete memoryless source: $Q \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$
- Enrollment response sequence: $x^n \in \mathcal{X}^n$
- Authentication response sequence: $y^n \in \mathcal{Y}^n$



Protocol

- Enrollment Phase
 - Observe X^n at the enrollment terminal
 - Generate secret key K and helper data M
 - Apply one way function f to K
 - Store M , $f(K)$ and f in a public data base
- Authentication Phase
 - Observe Y^n and M at the authentication terminal
 - Calculate key estimate \hat{K}
 - Apply one way function f to \hat{K}
 - **IF** $f(K) = f(\hat{K})$ **THEN** authentication successful



Attention!

- Helper data M is public and can easily be eavesdropped upon
- M may reveal information about $K \rightarrow \frac{1}{n}I(K; M)$
- M may reveal too much information about $X^n \rightarrow \frac{1}{n}I(X^n; M)$

- Block-processing of fixed length n large enough.
- Helper data set: $\mathcal{M} := \{1, \dots, M_n\}$
- Secret key set: $\mathcal{K} := \{1, \dots, K_n\}$

Definition

An (n, K_n, M_n) -code for authentication of the joint source $Q \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$ consists of an encoder f at the enrollment terminal with

$$f: \mathcal{X}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{M}$$

and a decoder φ at the authentication terminal

$$\varphi: \mathcal{Y}^n \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$$

Definition

A secrecy privacy rate pair $(R_K, R_M) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2$ is called **achievable** for a joint source Q , if for any $\delta > 0$ there exist an $n(\delta) \in \mathbb{N}$ and a sequence of (n, K_n, M_n) -codes such that for all $n \geq n(\delta)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr\{\hat{K} \neq K\} &\leq \delta \\ \frac{1}{n}H(K) + \delta &\geq \frac{1}{n} \log K_n \geq R_K - \delta \\ \frac{1}{n}I(K; M) &\leq \delta \\ \frac{1}{n}I(X^n; M) &\leq R_M + \delta\end{aligned}$$

For some U with alphabet $|\mathcal{U}| \leq |\mathcal{X}| + 1$ and $V: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U})$, we define the region $\mathcal{R}(Q, V)$ as the set of all $(R_K, R_M) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2$ satisfying

$$R_K \leq I(U; Y)$$

$$R_M \geq I(U; X) - I(U; Y)$$

with $P_{U\mathcal{X}Y}(u, x, y) = V(u|x)Q(x, y)$

Theorem

The set of all achievable secrecy privacy rate pairs for the joint source $Q \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$ is called secrecy privacy capacity region and is given by

$$\mathcal{C}(Q) = \bigcup_{V: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U})} \mathcal{R}(Q, V)$$

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Question

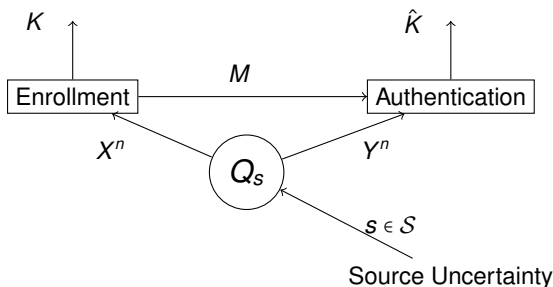
- What happens when we have source uncertainty?
- Can we still authenticate securely at positive rates?
- What is the secrecy privacy capacity of the system?

- Let \mathcal{S} be a finite state set
- Discrete memoryless joint source
 $Q_s^n(x^n, y^n) := \prod_{i=1}^n Q_s(x_i, y_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n p_s(x_i) W_s(y_i|x_i)$ with $s \in \mathcal{S}$, $p_s \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$
and $W_s: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{Y})$

Definition

The discrete memoryless compound joint source $\Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}$ is given by the family of joint probability distributions on $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$ as

$$\Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}} := \{Q_s \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}) : s \in \mathcal{S}\}$$



Definition

A secrecy privacy rate pair $(R_K, R_M) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2$ is called **achievable** for the **compound joint source** $\Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}$, if for any $\delta > 0$ there exist an $n(\delta) \in \mathbb{N}$ and a sequence of (n, K_n, M_n) -codes such that for all $n \geq n(\delta)$ and **for every** $s \in \mathcal{S}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr\{\hat{K} \neq K \mid Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}\} &\leq \delta \\ \frac{1}{n}H(K \mid Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}) + \delta &\geq \frac{1}{n} \log K_n \geq R_K - \delta \\ \frac{1}{n}I(K; M \mid Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}) &\leq \delta \\ \frac{1}{n}I(X^n; M \mid Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}) &\leq R_M + \delta\end{aligned}$$

- Unique marginal distributions over \mathcal{X}
 $\Omega_{\mathcal{X}} := \{p_s \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}) : s \in \mathcal{S} \text{ } p_s(x) = \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} Q_s(x, y) \text{ for every } x \in \mathcal{X}\}$
- Index of unique marginal distributions over \mathcal{X}
 $\mathcal{L} := \{\ell : p_\ell \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}}\}$
- Sources with same marginal distribution over \mathcal{X}
 $\Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}, \ell} := \{Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}} : Q_s(x, y) = p_\ell(x) W_s(y|x) \text{ for every } (x, y) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}\}$
- Index of sources with same marginal distribution over \mathcal{X}
 $\mathcal{S}_\ell := \{s \in \mathcal{S} : Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}, \ell}\}$

- Compound joint source $\Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}$
- Fixed $\ell \in \mathcal{L}, V: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U})$ and for every $s \in \mathcal{S}_\ell$
- $\mathcal{R}(V, \ell, s)$ set of all $(R_K, R_M) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2$ such that

$$R_K \leq I(U; Y \| Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}, \ell})$$

$$R_M \geq I(U; X | L = \ell \| Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}, \ell}) - I(U; Y \| Q_s \in \Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}, \ell})$$

with $P_{U\mathcal{X}Y, s}(u, x, y) = V(u|x)Q_s(x, y)$.

Theorem

The **secrecy privacy capacity region** for the compound joint source $\Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}$ is given by $\mathcal{C}(\Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}})$

$$\mathcal{C}(\Omega_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}}) = \bigcap_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} \bigcup_{V: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U})} \bigcap_{s \in \mathcal{S}_\ell} \mathcal{R}(V, \ell, s).$$

Marginal distribution estimation $p_\ell \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$

- For every $\ell, \ell' \in \mathcal{L}$ define $\delta_\ell = \frac{1}{2} \min_{\ell' \neq \ell} \|p_\ell - p_{\ell'}\|_{TV}$
- Choose $0 < \delta < \min_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} \delta_\ell$ and consider $\mathcal{T}_{p_\ell, \delta}^n$. for every $\ell, \ell' \in \mathcal{L}$ with $\ell' \neq \ell$ we have that $\mathcal{T}_{p_{\ell'}, \delta}^n \cap \mathcal{T}_{p_\ell, \delta}^n = \emptyset$
- Error: If x^n was generated by the source p_ℓ , however $x^n \notin \mathcal{T}_{p_\ell, \delta}^n$
- Probability of error: $p_\ell([\mathcal{T}_{p_\ell, \delta}^n]^c) \leq \epsilon_\delta(n, |\mathcal{X}|)$

Random Coding

- Code construction: Generate $2^{n(R_K+R_M)}$ codewords $U_{k,m}^n$ with $k \in \mathcal{K} := \{1, \dots, 2^{nR_K}\}$ and $m \in \mathcal{M} := \{1, \dots, 2^{nR_M}\}$ by choosing each symbol independently at random according to $p_U \in \mathcal{P}(U)$. Codebook $U = \{U_{k,m}^n\}_{(k,m) \in \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{M}}$
- Encoder set: $\mathcal{E}_{k,m,\ell}(U) = \mathcal{T}_{\Sigma_{\mathcal{X}_\ell}, \delta'}^n(U_{k,m}^n)$
- Decoder set:

$$\mathcal{D}'_k(m(U), \ell) := \bigcup_{s \in \mathcal{S}_\ell} \mathcal{T}_{\Sigma_{\mathcal{Y}_s}, \delta''}^n(U_{k,m}^n)$$

$$\mathcal{D}_k(m(U), \ell) := \mathcal{D}'_k(m(U), \ell) \cap \left(\bigcup_{\substack{k' \neq k \\ k' \in \mathcal{K}}} \mathcal{D}'_{k'}(m(U), \ell) \right)^c$$

- Encoder-decoder pair set:

$$\mathcal{C}_{k,m,\ell}(U) := (\mathcal{E}_{k,m,\ell}(U) \times \mathcal{D}_k(m(U), \ell)) \cap \left(\bigcup_{s \in \mathcal{S}_\ell} \mathcal{T}_{\Sigma_{\mathcal{Y}_s}, \tilde{\delta}}^n(U_{k,m}^n) \right)$$

Error Analysis

- Encoder: $\mathbb{E}_U(\epsilon_{E,n}(U)) = \mathbb{E}_U(p_\ell^n(\left(\bigcup_{(k,m) \in \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{M}} \mathcal{E}_{k,m,\ell}(U)\right)^c)) \rightarrow 0$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$R_K + R_M > I(U; X|L = \ell \| Q_S) + \psi(\delta', |\mathcal{U}|, |\mathcal{X}|)$$

- Decoder: For some $t \in \mathcal{S}_\ell$ we have $\mathbb{E}_U(\epsilon_{n,k}^t(U)) = \mathbb{E}_U(\sum_{\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}_t}^n (\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{E}_{k,m,\ell}}(U)^c | U_{k,m}^n)) \rightarrow 0$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$R_K < \min_{s \in \mathcal{S}_\ell} I(U; Y \| Q_S) - \phi(\delta'', |\mathcal{U}|, |\mathcal{Y}|)$$

$$\Rightarrow R_K < \min_{s \in \mathcal{S}_\ell} I(U; Y \| Q_S) - \phi(\delta'', |\mathcal{U}|, |\mathcal{Y}|)$$

$$\Rightarrow R_M > I(U; X|L = \ell \| Q_S) - I(U; Y \| Q_S) + \phi(\delta'', |\mathcal{U}|, |\mathcal{Y}|) + \psi(\delta', |\mathcal{U}|, |\mathcal{X}|)$$

Take away

- Robust authentication at **positive key rates** is **possible!**
- We established a single letter characterization of the capacity!

Future Work

- Extend the model to compound sources with infinite alphabets

Thanks for Your Attention!