Beyond Differential Privacy: Composition Theorems and Relational Logic for *f*-divergences between Probabilistic Programs

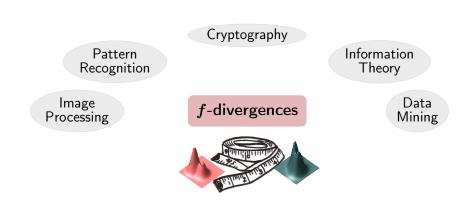
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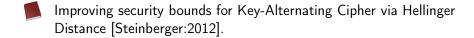


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f-divergences are everywhere



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Crux of his proof: bounding the f-divergence between two probabilistic computations.

 $\Delta_f\left(c_1,c_2\right) \le \delta$

In this Work

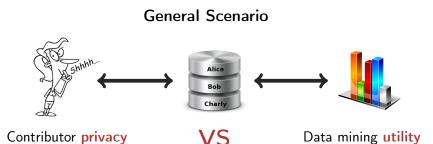
Goal

Lay the foundations for reasoning about $f\mbox{-divergences}$ between probabilistic programs.

- Observe that the notion of distance used to characterize differential privacy (DP) belongs to the family of *f*-divergences.
- Extend techniques from the DP literature to reason about arbitrary *f*-divergences.

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Differential Privacy Primer



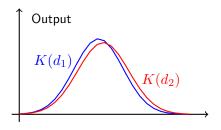
We want to release statistical information about a sensitive dataset without comprising the privacy of individual respondents.

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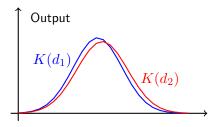


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A randomized mechanism K is (ϵ, δ) -differentially private iff

$$\forall d_1, d_2 \bullet \ \Delta(d_1, d_2) \leq 1 \implies \Delta_\alpha \left(K(d_1), K(d_2) \right) \leq \delta$$

where $\alpha = \exp(\epsilon)$.

f-divergences - Definition

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$$\Delta_f(\mu_1, \mu_2) \triangleq \sum_{a \in A} \mu_2(a) f\left(\frac{\mu_1(a)}{\mu_2(a)}\right)$$

where $f: \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0} \to \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous convex function s.t. f(1) = 0.

Some examples

- Statistical distance (Δ_{SD}) $f(t) = rac{1}{2} |t|$ -
- Kullback-Leibler (Δ_{KL})
- Hellinger distance (Δ_{HD})
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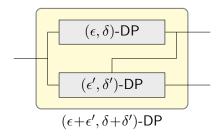
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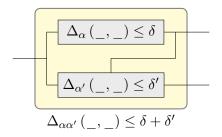
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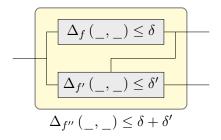
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Sequential Composition Theorem of α -distance



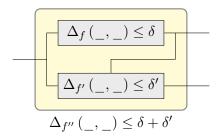
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Sequential Composition Theorem of *f*-divergences



We extend the sequential composition theorem of DP by

- Introducing the notion of f-divergence composability. (f, f') is f''-composable
- Showing that Δ_{SD} , Δ_{KL} and Δ_{HD} are self-composable.

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Relational Hoare Logic for DP



Probabilistic Relational Reasoning for DP [Barthe:2012a].

They propose an approximate relational Hoare logic

$$c_1 \sim_{\alpha,\delta} c_2 : \Psi \Rightarrow \Phi$$

A program c is $(\epsilon,\delta)\text{-}\mathsf{DP}$ iff

$$c \sim_{\exp(\epsilon),\delta} c : \Psi \Rightarrow \equiv$$

database
adjacency equality on
program states

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Relational Hoare Logic for f-divergences

Judgments have the form

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Such a judgment is *valid* iff for all memories m_1 and m_2

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$$\bigwedge$$
Lifting of Φ to a relation over
distributions on program states

(f, δ) -lifting of Relations

$\mathcal{L}_{f}^{\delta}(\cdot): \mathcal{P}\left(A \times B\right) \to \mathcal{P}\left(\mathcal{D}(A) \times \mathcal{D}(B)\right)$

- Generalizes previous lifting operator for the exact setting (ie $\delta = 0$).
- More or less involved definition for arbitrary relations, but admits simpler characterization for equivalence relations.
- In the case of equality we have

$$\mu_1 \mathcal{L}_f^{\delta}(\equiv) \mu_2 \iff \Delta_f(\mu_1, \mu_2) \le \delta$$

Relational Hoare Logic for f-divergences - Applications

• Bound the *f*-divergence between programs

$$\Delta_f\left(\llbracket c_1 \rrbracket \ m_1, \llbracket c_2 \rrbracket \ m_2\right) \le \delta$$

• Relate the probability of individual events

$$\Pr[c_2(m_2): E_2] \ f\left(\frac{\Pr[c_1(m_1): E_1]}{\Pr[c_2(m_2): E_2]}\right) \le \delta$$

 Model other quantitative notions such as such as continuity or approximate non-interference.

Relational Hoare Logic for f-divergences - Proof System

Selected Rules

Weakening

$$\begin{array}{c} \models c_1 \sim_{f',\delta'} c_2 : \Psi' \Rightarrow \Phi' \\ \Psi \Rightarrow \Psi' \quad \Phi' \Rightarrow \Phi \quad f \leq f' \quad \delta' \leq \delta \\ \models c_1 \sim_{f,\delta} c_2 : \Psi \Rightarrow \Phi \end{array}$$

Sequential composition

$$(f_1, f_2) \text{ is } f_3\text{-composable}$$
$$\models c_1 \sim_{f_1, \delta_1} c_2 : \Psi \Rightarrow \Phi' \models c'_1 \sim_{f_2, \delta_2} c'_2 : \Phi' \Rightarrow \Phi$$
$$\models c_1; c'_1 \sim_{f_3, \delta_1 + \delta_2} c_2; c'_2 : \Psi \Rightarrow \Phi$$

Summary

Contributions

- We unveil a connection between differential privacy and *f*-divergences.
- We generalize the sequential composition theorem of DP to some well-known *f*-divergences.
- We introduce a program logic for upper-bounding the *f*-divergences between probabilistic programs.

Thanks for your attention!

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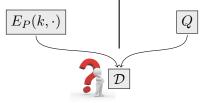
$$E_P(k, \cdot) : \{0, 1\}^n \to \{0, 1\}^n$$





Improving **security** bounds for Key-Alternating Cipher via Hellinger Distance [Steinberger:2012].

Hard to distinguish $E_P(k,\cdot)$ from a true random permutation Q



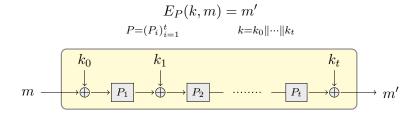
Formally stated as an upper bound of

$$\Delta_{\mathsf{SD}}\left(\mathcal{D}^{E_P(k,\cdot)},\mathcal{D}^Q
ight)$$

Improved security guarantees by bounding instead the f-divergence

$$\Delta_{\mathsf{HD}}\left(\mathcal{D}^{E_P(k,\cdot)},\mathcal{D}^Q\right)$$

Key-Alternating Ciphers



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Generalized Data Processing Theorem

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As a corollary,

 $\Delta_f\left(\llbracket c_1 \rrbracket \, m_1, \llbracket c_2 \rrbracket \, m_2\right) \leq \delta \implies \Delta_f\left(\pi_S(\llbracket c_1 \rrbracket \, m_1), \pi_S(\llbracket c_2 \rrbracket \, m_2)\right) \leq \delta$

The Programming Language

nop sequence assignment random sampling conditional while loop procedure call

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$(f,\delta)\text{-lifting of Relations}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{f}^{\delta}(\cdot): \mathcal{P}\left(A \times B\right) \to \mathcal{P}\left(\mathcal{D}(A) \times \mathcal{D}(B)\right)$$

$$\mu_1 \, \mathcal{L}_f^{\delta}(R) \, \mu_2 \triangleq \exists \mu_L, \mu_R \bullet \begin{cases} \operatorname{supp}(\mu_L) \subseteq R \land \operatorname{supp}(\mu_R) \subseteq R \\ \pi_1(\mu_L) = \mu_1 \land \pi_2(\mu_R) = \mu_2 \\ \Delta_f(\mu_L, \mu_R) \leq \delta \end{cases}$$

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The $\alpha\text{-}distance\ \Delta_{\alpha}\left(\mu_{1},\mu_{2}\right)$ between distributions μ_{1} and μ_{2} is defined as

$$\Delta_{\alpha}\left(\mu_{1},\mu_{2}\right) \triangleq \max_{S} \Pr\left[\mu_{1} \in S\right] - \alpha \Pr\left[\mu_{2} \in S\right]$$