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Secure Identification Under Jamming Attacks

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Jamming Attacks in Communication Systems

General picture for different communication tasks



- 4 parties with different goals
- Alice and Bob: legimate sender and legimate receiver
 - \implies They want to solve a communication task.
- Eve: non legimate receiver wiretapper (passive attacks) ⇒ adversarial behavior
- Jammer: chooses jamming sequence as input for channels W and V

to prevent communication from Alice to Bob.

support of Eve \Longrightarrow adversarial behavior

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The Communication

and Identification Task

without Jammer

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- Classical Communication is implemented according to Shannon's 1948 approach
 - Alice has to transmit a message $m \in \mathcal{M} = \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$ to Bob
 - Alice uses a block code $\mathscr{X}^n = \{0, 1, \dots, q-1\}^n$
 - − $W = \{W(y|x) : x \in \mathscr{X}, y \in \mathscr{Y}\}$ is a stochastic matrix.
 - − The probability for a sequence $y \in \mathscr{Y}^n$ to be received if $x^n \in \mathscr{X}^n$:

$$W^n(y^n|x^n) = \prod_{t=1}^n W(y_t|x_t)$$

- Bob receives a word in \mathscr{Y}^n . For simplification we assume $\mathscr{X} = \mathscr{Y} = \{0, 1\}$.

Goal:

Bob has to decode the correct message with a small decoding error \implies Finding the correct answer to: "What was Alice's message?"









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- \implies Message transmission capacity $C = \max(I(P; W))$
- \implies Size of message set $|M| = 2^{Cn}$

$$I(X \wedge Y) := H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

If *P* is a probability distribution on \mathscr{X} and $W = \{W(y|x) : x \in \mathscr{X}, y \in \mathscr{Y}\}$ a stochastical matrix, we define

$$I(P;W) := I(X \wedge Y)$$

where X is a RV with distribution P and Y has conditional distribution $W(\cdot|x)$ given X = x.



Deterministic vs. Random

A (deterministic) (n, M, λ) code for W is a set of pairs $\{(u_i, \mathscr{D}_i) : i \in \mathscr{M}\}$

$$u_i \in \mathscr{X}^n, \mathscr{D}_i \subset \mathscr{Y}^n \quad \text{for all } i \in \mathscr{M} \tag{1}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_i \cap \mathcal{D}_j = \emptyset$$
 for all $1 \le i, j \le n, i \ne j$ (2)

$$W^n(\mathscr{D}_i|u_i) \ge 1 - \lambda \text{ for all } i \in \mathscr{M}$$
 (3)

A randomized (n, M, λ) code for W is a set of pairs $\{(Q(\cdot|i), \mathcal{D}_i) | \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{M}\}$

$$Q(\cdot|i) \in \mathscr{P}(\mathscr{X}^n), \quad \mathscr{D}_i \subset \mathscr{Y}^n \text{ for all } i \in \mathscr{M}$$
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$$\sum_{x^n \in \mathscr{X}^n} Q(x^n | i) W^n(\mathscr{D}_i | x^n) \ge 1 - \lambda \text{ for all } i \in \mathscr{M}$$
(6)

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Shannon's Coding Theorem

Theorem (Channel Coding Theorem)

Let $\lambda \in (0,1)$ be fixed. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\log M(n,\lambda)}{n} = \max_{P \in \mathscr{P}(\mathscr{X})} I(P,W) \triangleq C$$
(7)

Lemma

Let W be a DMC, $\lambda < 1/2$. A deterministic (n, M, λ) transmission code for W exists if and only if a randomized (n, M, λ) transmission code exists.



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Message size $|M| = 2^{C_S n}$ with provable security.

Here a randomized encoding is necessary! The local randomness is absolutely important.



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$$x \in \mathscr{X}$$
 $y \in \mathscr{Y}$ Alice m Noisy Channel W $y \in \mathscr{Y}$ Bob m' yes/no

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However: Message size $|N| = 2^{2^{Cn}} \implies$ double exponential increase Here again randomized encoding is necessary! The local randomness is absolutely important. Otherwise $|N| = 2^{Cn}$. Chair of Theoretical Information Technology Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Technische Universität München



A New Communication Paradigm

A randomized $(n, N, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ identification code is a set of pairs $\{(Q_i, \mathcal{D}_i) | i = 1, ..., N\}$ with

 $Q_i \in \mathscr{P}(\mathscr{X}^n), \quad \mathscr{D}_i \subset \mathscr{Y}^n \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, N$

and with errors of first resp. second kind bounded by

$$\sum_{x \in \mathscr{X}^n} Q_i(x^n) W^n(\mathscr{D}_i | x^n) \ge 1 - \lambda_1 \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, N$$
(8)

and

$$\sum_{x \in \mathscr{X}^n} Q_j(x^n) W^n(\mathscr{D}_i | x^n) \le \lambda_2 \text{ for all } i, j = 1, \dots, N, \quad i \neq j$$
(9)

The receiver who is interested in message *i* will decide that his message was transmitted iff the received channel output is in \mathcal{D}_i , otherwise he will deny that message *i* was sent.



Theorem (Ahlswede, Dueck, Han, Verdú)

Let $N(n, \lambda)$ be the max. number, such that an $(n, N, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ ID code exists with $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \leq \lambda$. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\log \log N(n,\lambda)}{n} = C \text{ for all } \lambda \in (0,1/2)$$
(10)

where the constant C denotes the Shannon's channel capacity.



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$$\implies$$
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Message size $|N| = 2^{2^{Cn}}$ with provable security if $C_S > 0$. Here a randomized encoding is necessary! The local randomness is absolutely important.

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A randomized (n, N, λ) identification code of a wiretap-channel is a family of pairs $\{(Q_i, \mathscr{D}_i) | i \in \{1, ..., N\}\}$ with

 $Q_i \in \P(\mathscr{X}^n), \quad \mathscr{D}_i \subset \mathscr{Y}^n, \ \forall \ i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$

such that $\forall i, j \in \{1, \dots, N\}, i \neq j$

$$\sum_{x^n \in \mathscr{X}^n} Q_i(x^n) W^n(\mathscr{D}_i | x^n) \ge 1 - \lambda, \qquad (11)$$

$$\sum_{x^n \in \mathscr{X}^n} Q_j(x^n) W^n(\mathscr{D}_i | x^n) \le \lambda,$$
(12)

$$\sum_{x^n \in \mathscr{X}^n} Q_j(x^n) V^n(\mathscr{E}|x^n) + \sum_{x^n \in \mathscr{X}^n} Q_j(x^n) V^n(\mathscr{E}^c|x^n) \ge 1 - \lambda$$
(13)

for any pair (i, j) with $i \neq j$ and any $\mathscr{E} \subset \mathscr{Z}^n$.

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Communication and

Identification Task

with Jammer



A Channel Model with a Jammer



- This setting is modeled by a given set of channels.
- The communication participants are aware of the state set but not of the actual realization determining the probabilistic channel law.
- So they do not know the jamming strategy of the jammer.
- In every time step the state of the channel can be changed by the jammer.
- The channel is called an Arbitrarily Varying Channel (AVC).
- In the calculation, a new effect occurs: symmetrizability.
- The intuitive meaning of this is that the jammer can choose the state of the channel such that any two codewords, x and x', may be confused by the receiver. In this situation, the decoder will be unable to tell if the transmitted codeword was x or x'. When a channel is symmetrizable, it is not possible to transmit or identify a message.

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A Channel Model with a Jammer

Definition

An AVC \mathscr{W} is symmetrizable if there exists a channel $U : \mathscr{X} \to \P(\mathscr{S})$, such that

$$\sum_{s} U(s|x') W(y|x,s) = \sum_{s} U(s|x) W(y|x',s)$$
for all $x, x' \in \mathscr{X}$ and for all $y \in \mathscr{Y}$.
(14)

Csiszár and Narayan provided the following expression.

Theorem (Csiszár, Narayan, 1988)

$$C = \left\{egin{array}{ll} 0 & ext{if } \mathscr{W} ext{ is symmetrizable} \ \max_P \min_{W \in \overline{\mathscr{W}}} I(P; W) & ext{otherwise,} \end{array}
ight.$$
where $\overline{\mathscr{W}} = \{\sum_s P(s) \mathcal{W}(\cdot|\cdot,s) : P \in \P(\mathscr{S})\}.$



A Channel Model with a Jammer and a Wiretapper



- The additional aspect of security is modeled by a wiretap channel.
- There is no single-letter formula for the capacity.



A Channel Model with a Jammer and a Wiretapper

Theorem (Nötzel, Wiese, B., 2016)

For the AVWC $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{V})$, we have

$$C_{S,ran}(\mathscr{W},\mathscr{V}) = \lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1}{n} \sup_{\{\bar{U},\bar{X}^n,\bar{Y}^n_q,\bar{Z}^n_{s^n}\}} \left(\min_{q\in\mathscr{P}(\mathscr{S})} I(\bar{U}\wedge\bar{Y}^n_q) - \max_{s^n\in\mathscr{S}^n} I(\bar{U}\wedge\bar{Z}^n_{s^n})\right),$$

where the supremum is over the set of families of RVs

$$\{\bar{U},\bar{X}^n,\bar{Y}^n_q,\bar{Z}^n_{s^n}:q\in\mathscr{P}(\mathscr{S}),s^n\in\mathscr{S}^n\}.$$
(15)

 \overline{U} assumes values in some finite subset of the integers. The values of \overline{X}^n lie in \mathscr{A}^n , those of \overline{Y}^n_q in \mathscr{B}^n , those of $\overline{Z}^n_{s^n}$ in \mathscr{C}^n , and such that for every $q \in \mathscr{P}(\mathscr{S})$ and $s^n \in \mathscr{S}^n$,

$$P_{\bar{U}\bar{X}^n\bar{Y}_q^n\bar{Z}_{s^n}}(u,x^n,y^n,z^n) = P_{\bar{U}}(u)P_{\bar{X}^n|\bar{U}}(x^n|u)$$

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^n \left[\sum_{s\in\mathscr{S}} q(s)W_s(y_i|x_i)\right]\right) V^n(z^n|x^n,s^n).$$
(16)

 $P_{\bar{U}}$ and $P_{\bar{X}^n|\bar{U}}$ may be arbitrary probability distributions and stochastic matrices, respectively.

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A Channel Model with a Jammer and a Wiretapper

Using the capacity for random codes and Ahlswede's elimination technique the following result was obtained.

Theorem (Bjelakovic, B., Sommerfeld, 2012)

$$C_{S}(\mathscr{W},\mathscr{V}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } C_{S}(\mathscr{W},\mathscr{V}) = 0 \text{ or } \\ \mathscr{W} \text{ symmetrizable} \\ C_{S,ran}(\mathscr{W},\mathscr{V}) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



Identification with a Jammer and a Wiretapper



Same model like before for robust transmission, new goal: Identification.

Theorem (B., Deppe, 2018)

Let $C_{ran}(\mathscr{W})$ be the random coding capacity of the AVC \mathscr{W} and let $C_{SID}(\mathscr{W}, \mathscr{V})$ be the random coding secrecy capacity of the AVWC $(\mathscr{W}, \mathscr{V})$. Then,

- 1. $C_{\text{SID}}(\mathscr{W}, \mathscr{V}) = C_{\text{ran}}(\mathscr{W})$, if $C_{\text{S,ran}}(\mathscr{W}, \mathscr{V}) > 0$ and \mathscr{W} is not symmetrizable.
- 2. $C_{\text{SID}}(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{V}) = 0$, otherwise.

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Identification with a Jammer and a Wiretapper

Remarks

- 1. The formula for secure identification with a jammer is a single-letter formula. The condition for positivity is unfortunately a multi-letter formula.
- 2. C_{SID} is generally a discontinuous function depending on $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{V})$.
- 3. We investigated the discontinuity behavior and the superactivation in detail.
- 4. For future applications with secure communication, it is important that the implemented coding methods are efficient and provable. This proof is provided by the certification and standardization. This proof must be effective in the future, i.e. by an algorithm. In this case, it is necessary to understand exactly the analyzed properties of the corresponding capacity as a function of channels.
- 5. Here we have presented the theory of classical channels. For quantum channels, the theory was developed by Boche, Deppe, and Winter.



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Conclusions: Security - New Quality

Transmission - Shannon Picture

Sender chooses and sends $m \in \mathscr{M} = \{1, 2, ..., M = 2^{C_S n}\}$ $C_S = \max I(U \land Y) - I(U \land Z)$ local randomness



Wyner 1978

Identification - New Communication Task

Sender chooses and sends $m \in \mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, ..., N = 2^{2^{nC}}\}$ $C = \max I(X \land Y)$, if $C_S > 0$ local randomness



First Secure Robust Optimal Protocol; H.B., C. Deppe; ISIT 2017

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What is the message?

Wyner 1978

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\Rightarrow exponential performance increase and we pay no price for Security



Conclusions: Extensions for New Approaches

- Other communication/signal processing tasks for communication systems
- Secure data storage on public data base with double exponential growth
 ⇒ "Big Data" is not a problem, ...
- Quantum Identification ... even new identification tasks according Quantum Physics
- Communication tasks for Quantum Computing
- Quantum Information
 - Entanglement-Generation / Distributions
 - Strong Subspace
 - Private Keys ...
- Authentication via PUFs (Physical Unclonable Functions)
- · Computations over channels

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