# Communication Requirements for Generating Correlated Random Variables 

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## Overview

$X$ is random and specified by nature.
How much must be told about $X$ to generate $Y$ correlated with $X$ ? What is the effect of common randomness?


- Application:
- Game theory - mixed strategies among participants on a team. [Anantharam, Borkar 07]


## Talk Outline

(1) Correlation Encryption
(2) Channel Simulation
(3) Proof

- Achievability
- Converse

4 Examples

## Correlation Encryption

Secret Key

$X$ is given by nature iid according to $p_{0}(x)$.

Goal:
(1) Construct $Y$ correlated with $X$ according to $p_{0}(y \mid x)$.
(2) Message doesn't give away anything about $X$ and $Y$.

## Correlation Encryption

Secret Key


Encoder: $p\left(m \mid x^{n}, z\right)$.
Decoder: $p\left(y^{n} \mid m, z\right)$.
Induced Distribution:

$$
p\left(x^{n}, y^{n}, m, z\right)=p\left(x^{n}\right) p(z) p\left(m \mid x^{n}, z\right) p\left(y^{n} \mid m, z\right)
$$

Achievable if there exists a sequence of encoders and decoders such that

$$
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} I\left(M ; X^{n}, Y^{n}\right)=0
$$

and

$$
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\|p\left(x^{n}, y^{n}\right)-\prod_{i=1}^{n} p_{0}\left(x_{i}\right) p_{0}\left(y_{i} \mid x_{i}\right)\right\|_{T V}=0 .
$$

## Correlation Encryption Rate Region

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How much common randomness is needed to generate $X$ and $Y$ ?


Result: $R>C(X ; Y)$.

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## Correlation Encryption - Channel Simulation

Difference between Correlation Encryption and Channel Simulation:

- One-time pad needed for Correlation Encryption

Theorem: Correlation Encryption relates to Channel Simulation Define,

$$
\begin{aligned}
R_{1}^{\prime} & =R_{1} \\
R_{2}^{\prime} & =R_{1}+R_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Then,

$$
\left(R_{1}^{\prime}, R_{2}^{\prime}\right) \in S_{1} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad\left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right) \in S_{2} .
$$

Reminder: $S_{1}$ is encryption rate region; $S_{2}$ is simulation rate region.

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Construct Codebook randomly:

$$
\mathcal{C}=\left\{U^{n}(m)\right\}_{m=1}^{2^{n\left(R_{1}+R_{2}\right)}} \text { where } U^{n}(m) \sim \prod_{i=1}^{n} p\left(u_{i}\right)
$$

Binning: Bin the codewords into $2^{n R_{2}}$ bins.
Common randomness specifies the bin.
Encoder: Finds all jointly typical $U^{n}$ in bin and randomly chooses one. Sends index.

Decoder: Decodes $U^{n}(m)$ and generates $Y^{n}$ according to

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n} p\left(y_{i} \mid u_{i}(m)\right) .
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Label $(M, Z, Q)$ as $U$.

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Binary Symmetric Channel ( $X \sim \operatorname{Bern}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ ):


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\begin{aligned}
& p_{1}\left(1-p_{2}\right)+p_{2}\left(1-p_{1}\right)=P_{e} \\
& p_{1} \leq p_{2} \leq P_{e}
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\begin{aligned}
& \left(1-p_{1}\right)\left(1-p_{2}\right)=1-P_{e} \\
& 0 \leq p_{2} \leq \min \left\{P_{e}, 1 / 2\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Example: Binary Erasure Channel



Figure: Boundary of the simulation rate region for a binary erasure channel with erasure probability $P_{e}=0.75$ and a Bernoulli-half input.

## Summary


(1) Correlation Encryption (Public Channel)

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for some $U$ such that $X-U-Y$ and $|\mathcal{U}| \leq|\mathcal{X}||\mathcal{Y}|+1$.
(2) Fundamental quantities discovered as extreme points



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