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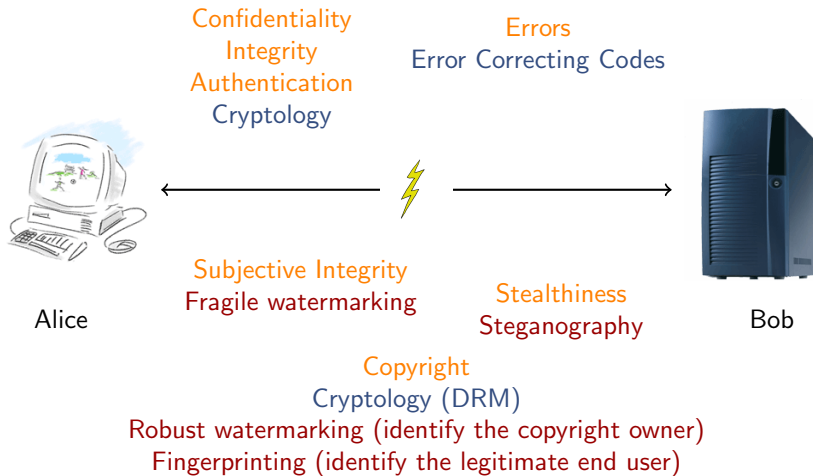
**How to protect multimedia pieces of content, from their
creation to their distribution**

HDR defense
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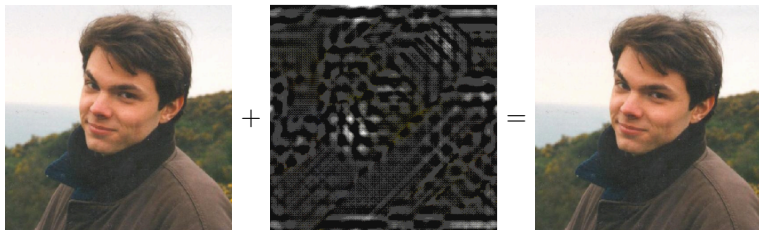


Some security issues



Cryptology [1917-] Error Correcting Codes [1947-] Information Hiding [1990-]

Information Hiding in a nutshell

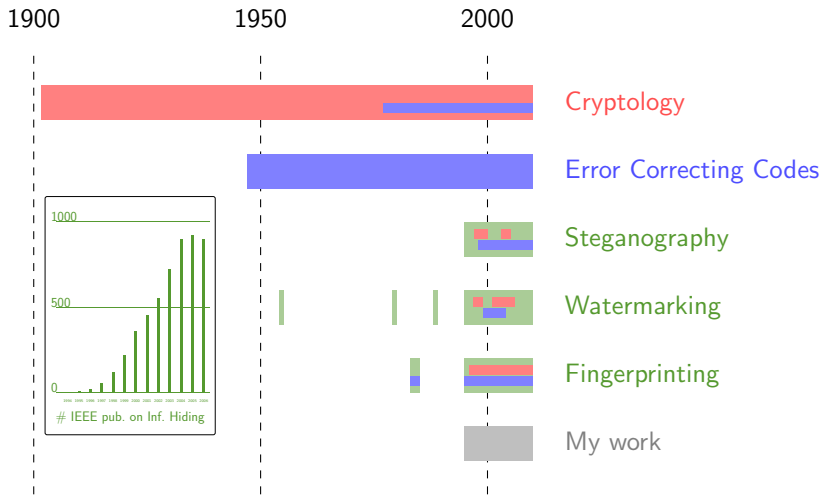


Trade-offs between : capacity, imperceptibility, robustness, security

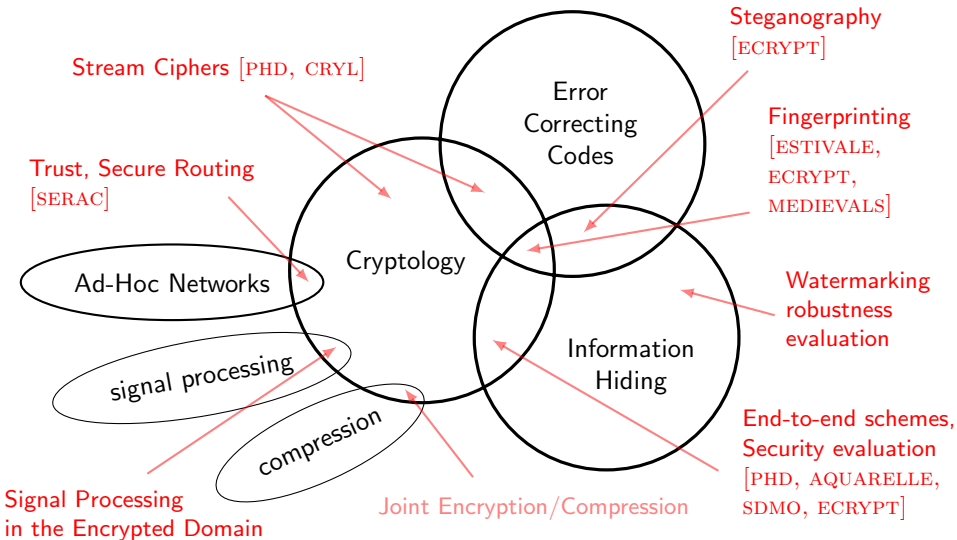
Steganography : (stealth com.)	+	++	-	++
Robust Watermarking : (id. cop. owner)	+	+	++	++
Fingerprinting : (id. end user)	+	+	++	++

+ important, - not important

Modern Evolutions and Crossings



Crossings and Contributions



Some contributions

Design (and attack) of stream ciphers, based on Highly Nonlinear Boolean Functions obtained with the help of Error Correcting Codes [FF98,Fon99,CCCF00,CCCF01,FFJ04,BRWF05] PhD V. Bénény [02-06]

Design of steganographic schemes based on Error Correcting Codes [FG07,FG09,ABF11] PhD M. Barbier [08-11]

Design of content protection architectures mixing cryptographic and watermarking primitives [AFD98,ABD+99,ABTD+06,FDD+08]

Transposed cryptanalysis methodology to the study of the security of watermarking schemes [FR02,CFF05b,CFF05e]

Improvement of the robustness and security of Broken Arrows watermarking technique [CXFF09,XFF10a,XFF10b] PhD F. Xie [07-10]

Design of fingerprinting schemes based on a watermarking layer and an anti-collusion code [XFF08,CXFF09,CFF10,CFFC11] PhD F. Xie [07-10], PhD A. Charpentier [08-11]

Outline

① Context

② **Contributions in Steganography**

- Interest of Reed-Solomon codes (IH 2007)
- A randomized scheme to ensure embedding (IMACC 2011)

③ Contributions in Fingerprinting

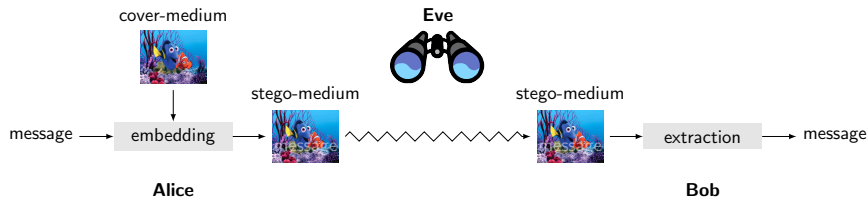
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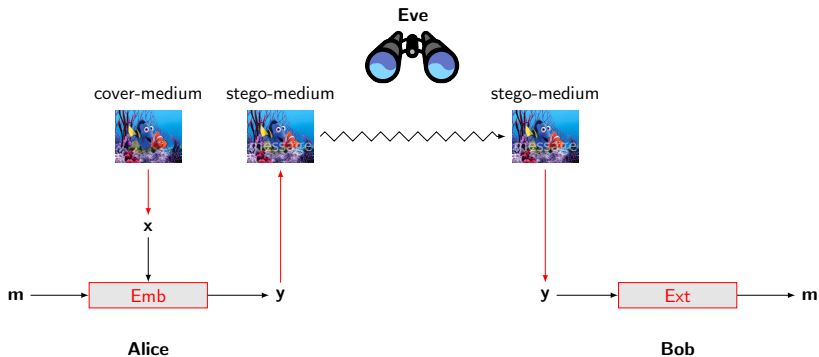
The Prisoners and the Passive Warden [Sim83] :

Alice and Bob want to send each other some important secret messages. Eve keeps a watch on. If she **suspects** something is going wrong, she interrupts the communication.

⇒ Alice and Bob must exchange only innocuous looking documents! They cannot rely only on cryptography, they need a **steganographic scheme**.



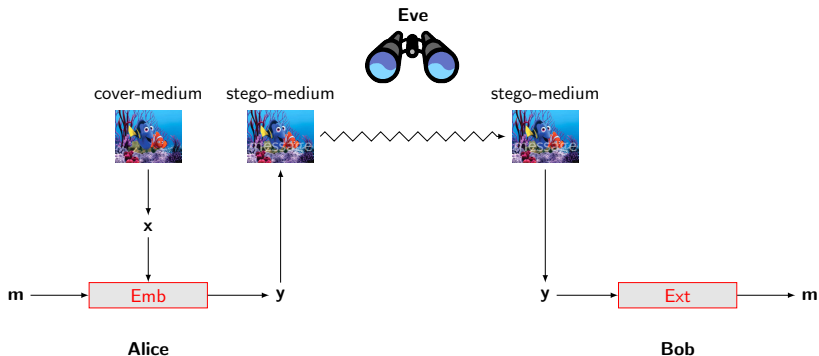
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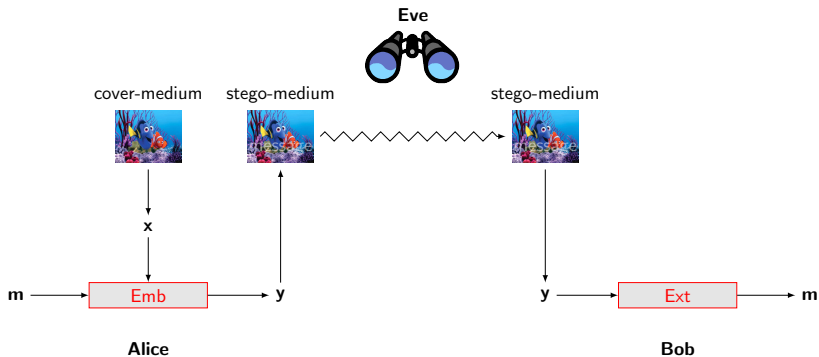


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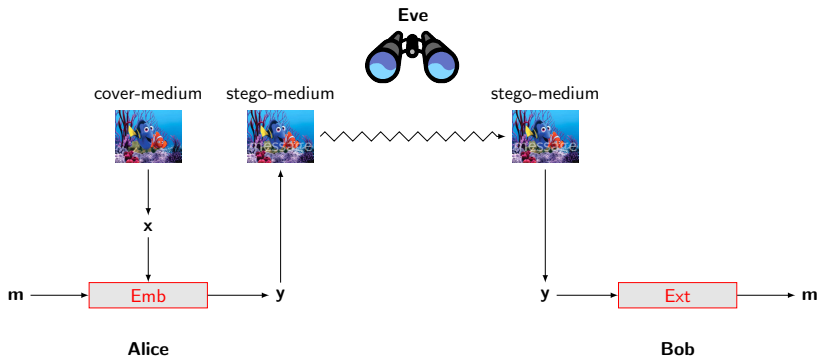


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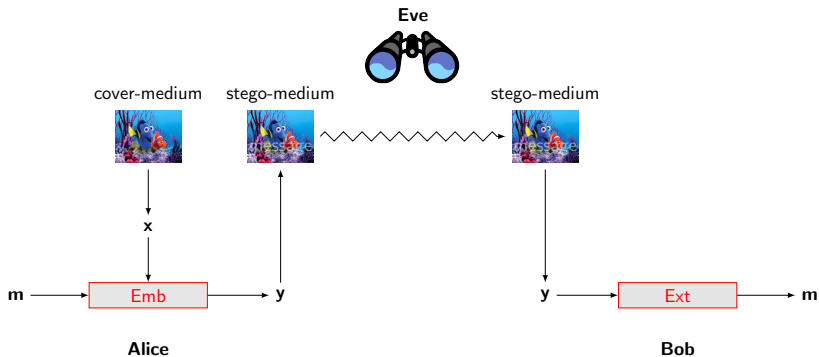
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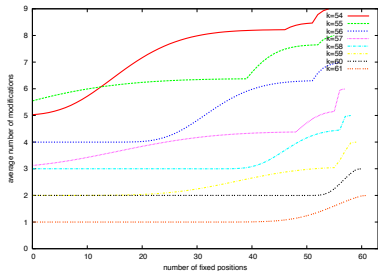
Contributions :

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- A variant of syndrome coding, that ensures embedding success [ABF11]
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How Reed-Solomon codes can help

With F. Galand [FG07,FG09] (IH 2007)

- ✓ Good parameters (e.g. covering radius)
- ✓ MDS (embedding is ensured in the wet paper context)
- ✓ Unique decoding (Lagrange) + List decoding (Guruswami-Sudan)



Estimated Gain of List decoding.
 $q = 64, n = 63$, Plot only $\Delta\omega \geq 0.3$

- ✓ List decoding \rightarrow gain in average embedding efficiency
- ☹ Guruswami-Sudan is hard to implement
- ⚡ implementation of Guruswami-Sudan
- ⚡ must derive q -ary vectors \mathbf{x} from the media

Randomized Syndrome Coding

With D. Augot and M. Barbier [ABF11] (IMACC 2011)

“How can we design a scheme that ensures embedding?”

Our idea : randomize a part of the syndrome,

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{replacing } \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{H}^t = \mathbf{m} \\ &\text{by } \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{H}^t = (\mathbf{m} \parallel \mathbf{R}) \end{aligned}$$

- ✓ Embedding success, even in the wet paper context
- ✓ We provided a way to send the length of \mathbf{R} to the recipient
- ☹ Loss in embedding efficiency (vs. traditional synd. coding)
- ✓ $[\frac{q^p-1}{q-1}, n-p, 3]$ Hamming codes :
the relative loss in embedding efficiency is only $\frac{\lceil \log_q((q-1)\#\mathcal{W}+1) \rceil}{p}$
- ⚡ Must be studied further

Steganography : conclusion and further work

We focused on the success on the embedding,
while preserving a good embedding efficiency.

Reed-Solomon codes :

- ✓ RS could (should?) be used in practical schemes
- ⚡ Native q -ary steganography should be studied
- ⚡ Implementation of Guruswami-Sudan list decoding

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Other tracks :

- ⚡ Active Warden

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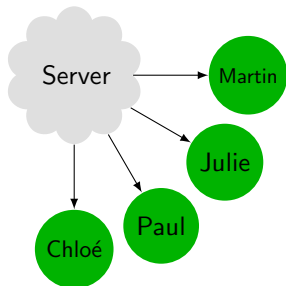
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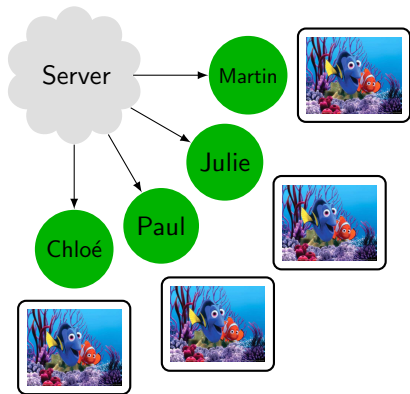
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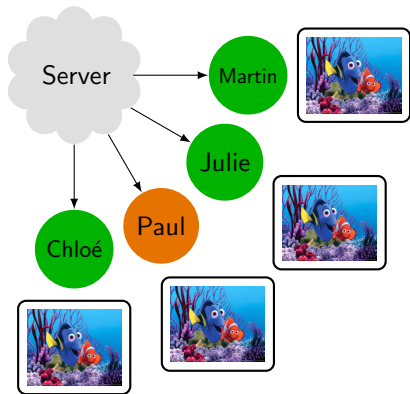


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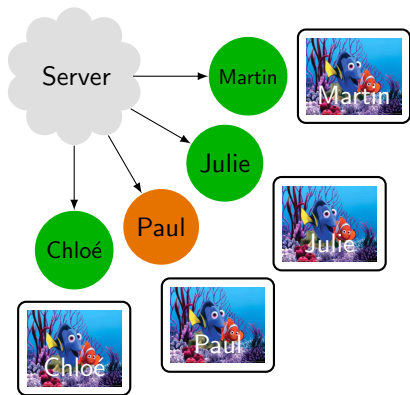


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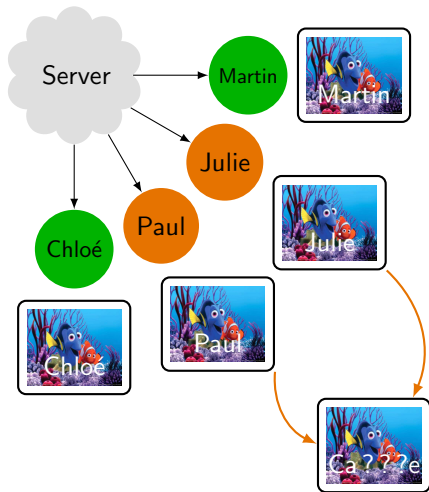


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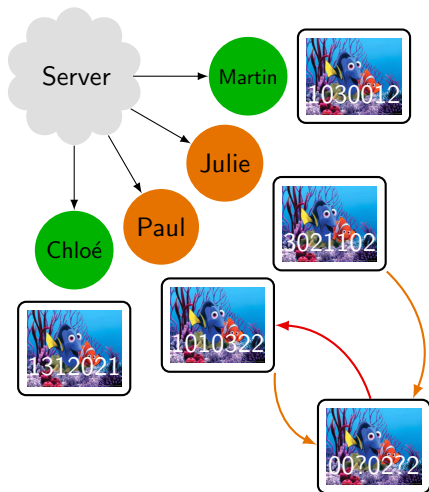
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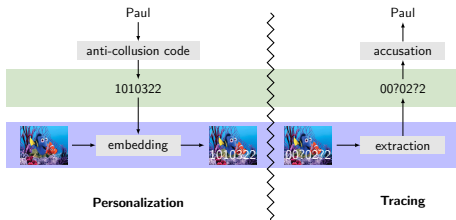


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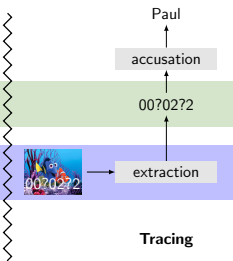
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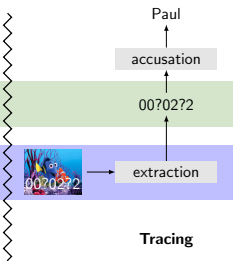
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- ✓ BUT we can force reality to fit the model :

off-line block-based watermarking and on-line switching



Chloé		1	3	1	2	0	2	1
Paul		1	0	1	0	3	2	2
Julie		3	0	2	1	1	0	2
Martin		1	0	3	0	0	1	2

Attacks and assumptions



1 0 1 0 3 2 2 X_{Paul}



3 0 2 1 1 0 2 X_{Julie}



1 0 3 0 0 1 2 X_{Martin}

Collusion (c users among n)



1 0 3 1 0 2 2 Y Copy/paste blocks (e.g. random, maj., etc)



0 0 ? 0 2 ? 2 Y Fusion of blocks (e.g. averaging)

Boneh & Shaw : Marking Assumption $X_{j_1 i} = \dots = X_{j_c i} = a \Rightarrow Y_i = a$.



? 0 1 2 ? 1 ? Y Individual signal processing (e.g. compression)

To prevent errors and erasures, watermarking must be as robust as possible.

In the steps of Boneh & Shaw

Strong traceability : $\mathbb{P}(\text{accuse an innocent user}) = 0$

- ⊙ error correcting codes
- ☹ $n \geq 3, c \geq 2$: only copy/paste attacks
- ☹ codes too long, on huge alphabets [HvLLT98,BCE⁺01,SSW01]

Weak traceability : $\mathbb{P}(\text{accuse an innocent user}) < \varepsilon$

- ⊙ error correcting codes + probabilistic codes
- ✓ copy/paste + fusion attacks
- ⊙ Peikert's bound [PSS03][Tar03,Tar08] : $m \geq \mathcal{O}(c^2 \ln(n/\varepsilon))$
- ✓ first codes to meet the bound : **Tardos codes**

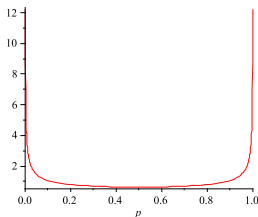
Binary Tardos code [Tar03]+[SKC08]

$n, 1 \ll c, \varepsilon_1 \ll \varepsilon_2, m = 2\pi^2 c^2 \lceil \ln(1/\varepsilon_1) \rceil, Z = 2\pi c \lceil \ln(1/\varepsilon_1) \rceil.$

m secret probabilities p_i drawn according to the pdf $f(p) = \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{p(1-p)}}.$

	p_1	p_2	p_3	...	p_m
X_1	1	0	1	...	0
X_2	0	1	0	...	1
X_3	1	1	0	...	1
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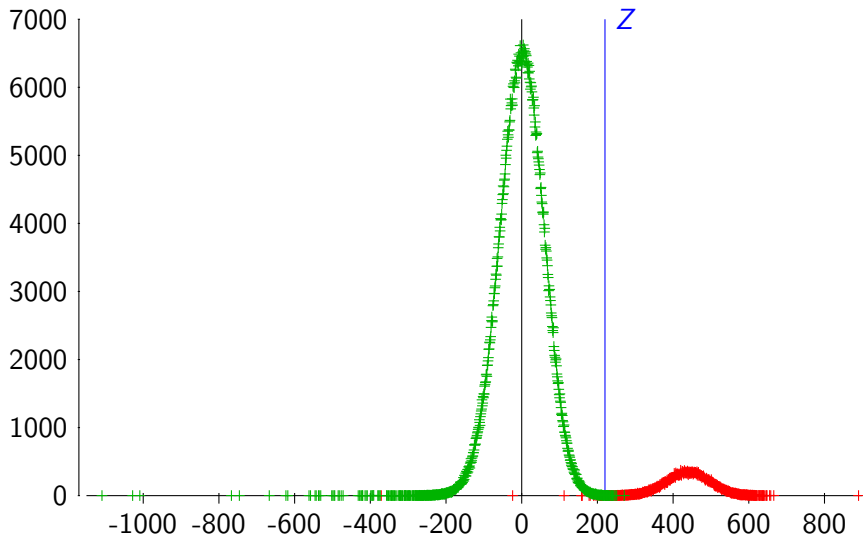


Accusation : User j 's score $S_j = \sum_{i=1}^m g(Y_i, X_{ji}, p_i) >? Z$

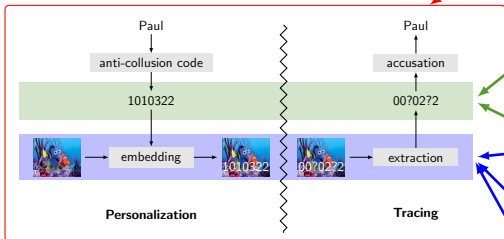
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 \end{array}$$

$$g(1, 1, p) = g(0, 0, 1-p) = \sqrt{(1-p)/p} \quad g(1, 0, p) = g(0, 1, 1-p) = -\sqrt{p/(1-p)}$$

Tardos codes have been studied a lot



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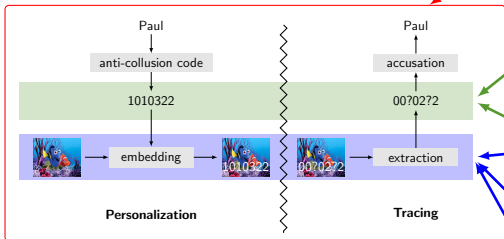
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Broken Arrows + Tardos : a good match

With F. Xie and T. Furon [XFF08] (MM&Sec 2008)

Problem : “Fusion attacks are critical, and easy to perform.”

Our idea : if the embedding technique is sufficiently robust, one can be able to detect multiple symbols in case of a fusion attack (e.g. averaging).

- Broken Arrows is a **very robust zero-bit** watermarking technique, designed in 2007 for BOWS-2 contest.
- We **adapted** it to embed q -ary symbols, and **combined** it with a q -ary Tardos code ($q = 4$).

⇒ Fusion attacks really lead to multiple symbols detections.

But Tardos codes were not designed to take them into account ...

- We **modified** the score computation to take them into account.

⇒ It worked really well (and even better than we thought).

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q -ary “Tardos” codes [SKC08] :

Each $\mathbf{p}_i = (p_i^0, \dots, p_i^{q-1}) \sim$ Dirichlet distribution of shape parameter κ

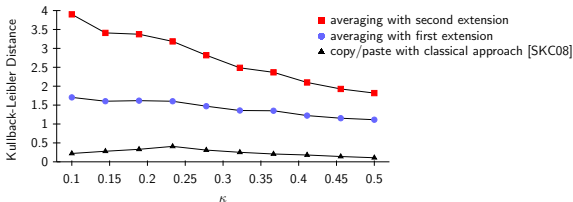
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Broken Arrows + Tardos : a good match

q -ary “Tardos” codes [SKC08] :

Each $\mathbf{p}_i = (p_i^0, \dots, p_i^{q-1}) \sim$ Dirichlet distribution of shape parameter κ

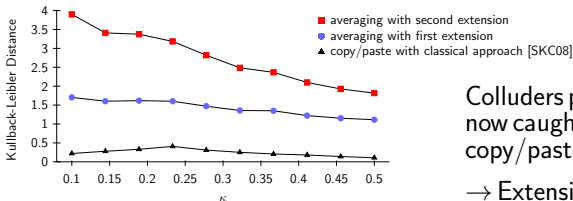
Generation $\mathbb{P}(X_{ji} = a) = p_i^a$

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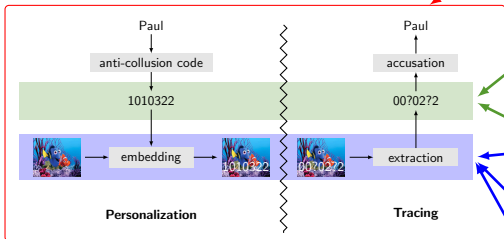
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Colluders performing an averaging are now caught more efficiently than for a copy/paste attack!

→ Extension of this work in [SKSC11].

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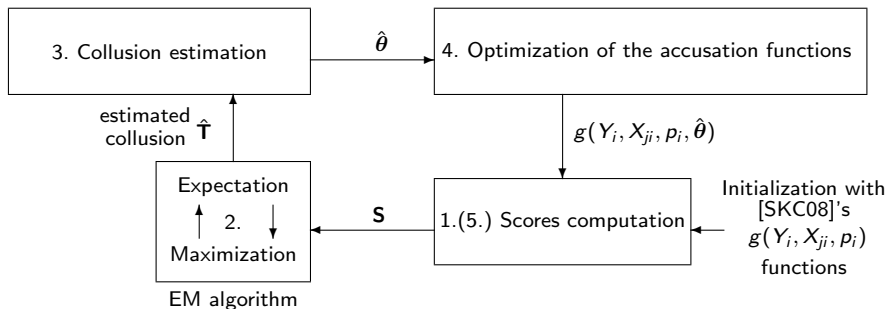
With A. Charpentier and T. Furon [CXFF09] (EI 2009), [CFF10] (TS 2010)

“Are [Tar03,Tar08,SKC08]'s parameters and functions the best ones?”

- **Tardos [Tar03,Tar08] and Škorić et al. [SKC08]** : for a given c , the scores distributions, $\mathcal{N}_I = \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_I^2)$ and $\mathcal{N}_C = \mathcal{N}(\mu_C, \sigma_C^2)$, remain the same whatever the colluders' strategy.
- **Furon et al. [FGC08]** :
 - When the colluders' strategy is not known, [Tar03,Tar08,SKC08]'s choices lead to the maximal Kullback-Leibler Distance between \mathcal{N}_I and \mathcal{N}_C . (binary case)
 - BUT if we know the colluders' strategy, we can derive functions $g(Y_i, X_{ji}, p_i)$ leading to a higher Kullback-Leibler Distance between \mathcal{N}_I and \mathcal{N}_C . (binary case)

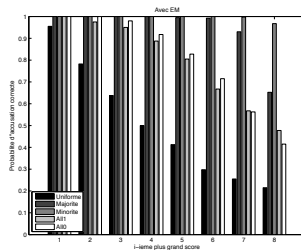
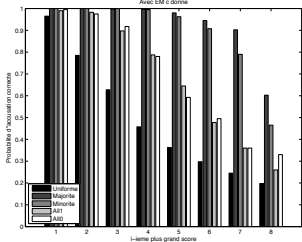
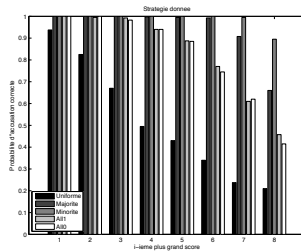
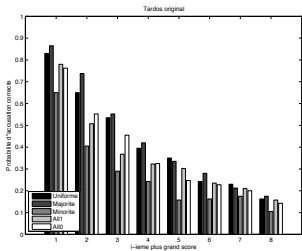
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We pushed further, providing a better optimization of the scores, and a way to estimate the colluders' strategy $\theta = \{\mathbb{P}(Y_i = 1 | \Sigma_i = \sigma_i), \sigma_i = 0..c\}_{i=1..m}$.
Assumption : the strategy is the same for all the components



Dynamical optimization of Tardos' scores

$\mathbb{P}(k\text{-th highest score is guilty}) \quad k \in \{1, \dots, 8\}, m = 1000, c = 8, n = 5000.$
 [SKC08] / known c, θ / given c , estimated $\hat{\theta}$ / all are estimated



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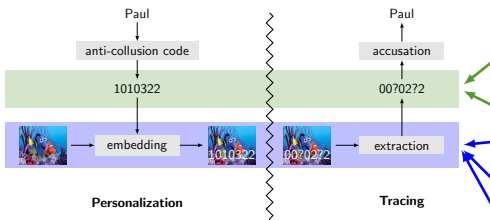
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How to prevent parties from cheating

With A. Charpentier, T. Furon and I. Cox [CFFC11] (IH 2011)

“Can we trust the provider who delivers the pieces of content?”

In the usual (symmetric) scenario ...

- An untrustworthy provider may frame an innocent buyer !
- Any accused buyer can argue he/she has been framed by an untrustworthy provider !

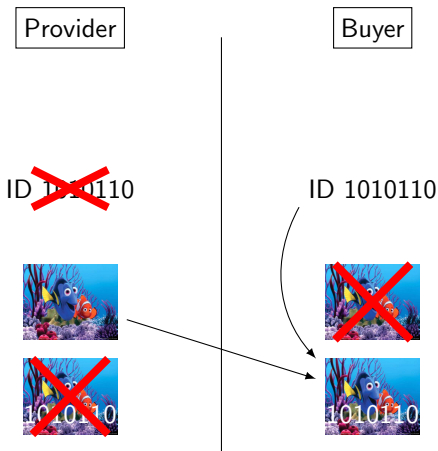
Asymmetric fingerprinting protocols have been introduced in [PS96].

- Most of them (not ours) also provide anonymity of the Buyer.
 - Very few also (not ours) provide privacy on the delivered content.
- ✓ Embedding and tracing techniques are sufficiently mature today to provide complete specifications for such protocols.
- ☹ No existing protocol is compliant with Tardos codes.

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Designing a protocol based on Tardos codes : rules and challenges.

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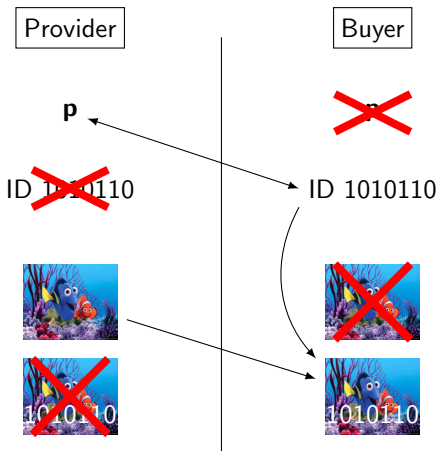
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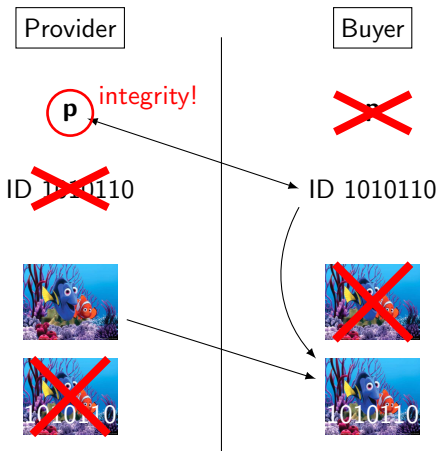


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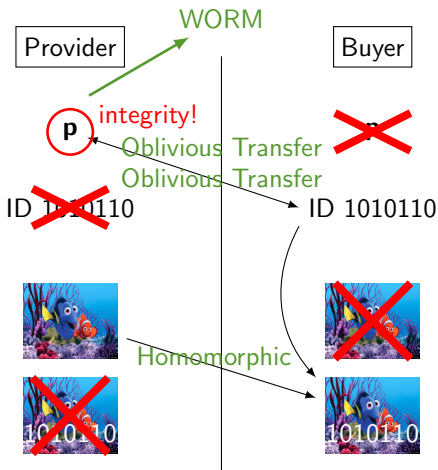


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Fingerprinting : conclusion and further work

All aspects addressed : watermarking, anti-collusion code, protocols.

Tardos codes :

- ✓ Multiple detection for q -ary Tardos codes.
- ✓ Estimation of the colluders' strategy, and optimization of the accusation for binary Tardos codes.
- ⚡ Optimization should be extended to q -ary Tardos codes (really hard).

Asymmetric fingerprinting protocol :

- ✓ First protocol compliant with binary Tardos codes.
- ⚡ Proofs ?
- ⚡ Anonymity and Privacy ?

Outline

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General conclusion and further work

Crossings offer new points of views, new ideas, and a complete overview.

- ✓ Cryptanalysis methodology applied to the definition and study of watermarking security.
- ✓ Syndrome Coding in Steganography.
- ✓ An asymmetric fingerprinting protocol, with all primitives detailed.

My favorite prospects :

- ⚡ Syndrome Coding in Steganography.
- ⚡ Asymmetric fingerprinting protocol : proofs, commutative encryption, anonymity/privacy.
- ⚡ Anonymity issues in general.
- ⚡ Implementation of homomorphic encryption schemes.
PhD S. Fau [11-14]

Dynamical optimization of Tardos' scores

Optimization step (4.) : dominating term in the K-L Distance

		Colluders' strategy				
		Uniform	Majority	Minority	All1	All0
c=3	Accusation strategy					
	Uniform	98 (71)	106 (80)	100 (53)	97 (66)	97 (66)
	Majority	96 (67)	110 (84)	100 (34)	95 (59)	95 (59)
	Minority	81 (50)	59 (38)	112 (75)	89 (56)	89 (56)
	All1	83 (69)	88 (73)	88 (62)	114 (68)	84 (68)
	All0	83 (69)	88 (73)	88 (62)	84 (68)	114 (68)
c=4	Uniform	98 (71)	106 (80)	105 (44)	99 (62)	99 (62)
	Majority	96 (67)	110 (84)	105 (17)	97 (50)	97 (50)
	Minority	61 (34)	25 (15)	128 (91)	88 (53)	88 (53)
	All1	79 (65)	83 (63)	88 (72)	121 (67)	87 (67)
	All0	79 (65)	83 (63)	88 (72)	87 (67)	121 (67)
c=5	Uniform	98 (71)	110 (83)	110 (33)	100 (58)	100 (58)
	Majority	94 (63)	120 (93)	113 (-22)	98 (35)	98 (35)
	Minority	37 (19)	-20 (-17)	155 (121)	82 (52)	82 (52)
	All1	77 (59)	83 (47)	90 (90)	128 (69)	90 (69)
	All0	77 (59)	83 (47)	90 (90)	90 (69)	128 (69)

(Furon et al. IH 08); remind that in [SKC08] it is 64 whatever the strategy.

Dynamical optimization of Tardos' scores

- ✓ Kullback-Leibler Distance between \mathcal{N}_I and \mathcal{N}_C is maximized, and the accusation process is run automatically : traceability is more efficient.
- ✓ For a given Kullback-Leibler Distance (tracing efficiency), this provides a way to use a shorter code !
- ✓ Works better for large c .
- ☹ The efficiency is better for some strategies than for others, and we do not know why.
- ☹ c is often over-estimated. So it is safer to accuse only the highest score and not the c highest ones.
- ☹ Does not work well for small c (we need at least $c = 8$).
- ⚡ Extension of the optimization step to q -ary case is really hard.

How to prevent parties from cheating

- ✓ The first asymmetric fingerprinting protocol compliant with Tardos codes.
- ✓ All the steps were considered in detail.
 - ⚡ Extension to q -ary Tardos codes.
 - ⚡ Proofs?
 - ⚡ Commutative Encryption Schemes as an alternative to traditional Oblivious Transfer protocols.
 - ⚡ Extension to anonymous and/or private protocols.

How I found my own way



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- ② Univ. Paris XI – LRI, team ALGO
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