

# Privacy Amplification from Non-malleable Codes

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**Abstract.** Non-malleable Codes give us the following property: their codewords cannot be tampered into codewords of related messages. Privacy Amplification allows parties to convert their weak shared secret into a fully hidden, uniformly distributed secret key, while communicating on a fully tamperable public channel. In this work, we show how to construct a constant round privacy amplification protocol from any augmented split-state non-malleable code. Existentially, this gives us another primitive (in addition to optimal non-malleable extractors) whose optimal construction would solve the long-standing open problem of building constant round privacy amplification with optimal entropy loss and min-entropy requirement. Instantiating our code with the current best known NMC gives us an 8-round privacy amplification protocol with entropy loss  $\mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \kappa \log(\kappa))$  and min-entropy requirement  $\Omega(\log(n) + \kappa \log(\kappa))$ , where  $\kappa$  is the security parameter and  $n$  is the length of the shared weak secret. In fact, for our result, even the weaker primitive of Non-malleable Randomness Encoders suffice.

We view our result as an exciting connection between two of the most fascinating and well-studied information theoretic primitives, non-malleable codes and privacy amplification.

## 1 Introduction

The classical problem of Privacy Amplification was introduced by Bennett, Brassard and Robert in [BBR88]. In this setting, we have two parties, Alice and Bob, who share a common string  $w$ , that is only guaranteed to be entropic. The main question that is asked is the following: How can Alice and Bob use  $w$  to communicate over a public channel that is fully controlled by a computationally-unbounded adversary, Eve, and still agree on a key  $K$  whose distribution is close-to-uniform? This problem has received renewed attention in recent years. While building privacy amplification protocols, there are two main objectives

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that researchers have tried to meet: a) build protocols with as low a round complexity as possible and b) extract a key  $K$  that is as long as possible. To achieve the latter objective, a natural goal is therefore to minimize the “entropy loss” that occurs due to the protocol.

In the recent times, another interesting information-theoretic primitive that has seen exciting research is Non-malleable codes, which were introduced in the work of Dziembowski, Pietrzak and Wichs [DPW10]. NMCs provide an encoding mechanism with the following guarantee: errors caused to the codeword will render the underlying data either independent of the original encoded message or leave it unchanged. They are defined with respect to a class of tampering families  $\mathcal{F}$ . The class of tampering families most relevant to this work is the “2-Split-state” family where the codeword consists of two states  $L$  and  $R$  and the tampering family consists of two functions  $f$  and  $g$ , each acting independently on  $L$  and  $R$  respectively. A parameter of importance for any non-malleable coding scheme is its *rate* ( $= \frac{\text{message length}}{\text{codeword length}}$ ). Of late, there has been a lot of research on building non-malleable codes with low-rate for various tampering function families, in particular, the 2-Split-state model. Researchers have also explored connections of other primitives, such as “2-source Non-malleable Extractors” to NMCs. In spite of the exciting research in NMCs, there is no known application of NMCs to information-theoretic primitives which require arbitrary tampering. This isn’t surprising: after all, NMCs are secure only with respect to a restricted class of tampering functions (such as 2-split state tampering); when an application requires arbitrary tampering, it is understandably difficult to leverage the usefulness of NMCs. In this work, we overcome this challenge.

Our main result in this work is that we show how to build privacy amplification protocols from non-malleable codes, specifically those with the so-called “augmented” security which we explain later. The protocol has 8 rounds and its entropy loss of is related to the rate of the non-malleable code. Furthermore, even though our main protocol is presented in terms of non-malleable codes we can also use the weaker notion of Non-malleable Randomness Encoders in the place of non-malleable codes and get the same parameters. Non-malleable Randomness Encoders (NMREs) were introduced by Kanukurthi, Obbattu and Sekar [KOS18] and, informally, allow for non-malleable encoding of “pure randomness”. There is evidence to suggest that it is easier to build NMREs (with good parameters) than NMCs: specifically, while we know how to build constant-rate NMREs in the 2-Split State Model, a similar result for NMCs has proven elusive in spite of significant interest and effort in the research community. Informally, following are the key results we obtain:

**Informal Theorem A:** *Assuming the existence of constant rate two-state augmented non-malleable code with optimal error  $2^{-\Omega(\kappa)}$ , there exists a 8-round privacy amplification protocol with optimal entropy loss  $\mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \kappa)$  and min-entropy requirement  $\Omega(\log(n) + \kappa)$  (where  $\kappa$  is the security parameter).*

**Informal Theorem B:** *Assuming the existence of constant rate, two-state augmented non-malleable randomness encoder with optimal error  $2^{-\Omega(\kappa)}$  there exists a 8-round privacy amplification protocol with optimal entropy loss  $\mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \kappa)$*

and min-entropy requirement  $\Omega(\log(n) + \kappa)$ .

Further, we instantiate our construction (which gives the above existential results as well) with specific underlying protocols to obtain the following parameters for the privacy amplification protocol:

**Informal Theorem C:** *Instantiating our construction with the current best known augmented non-malleable code for 2-split-state family [Li17], we get a 8-round privacy amplification protocol with entropy loss  $\mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \kappa \log(\kappa))$  and min-entropy requirement  $\Omega(\log(n) + \kappa \log(\kappa))$ .*

## 1.1 Related Work

Recall that the goal of privacy amplification is to enable two parties with a weak (entropic) secret  $w$  to agree on a random key  $K$  whose distribution is close to uniform. The protocol communication takes place in the presence of a computationally unbounded adversary, Eve, who has complete power to insert, delete or modify messages. Intuitively, a privacy amplification protocol is considered to be secure if any such adversarial tampering of the communication is either detected by one of the honest parties or, if undetected, both parties do agree on the same “secure” key, i.e., one that is guaranteed to be close to uniform from the Eve’s point of view. It is no surprise that strong randomness extractors (introduced by Nisan and Zuckerman [NZ96]), which transform non-uniform randomness into uniform randomness by using a short uniformly chosen *seed*, play a huge role in the design of privacy amplification protocols. Specifically, in the setting where Eve is a passive adversary [Mau93, BBR88, BBCM95], strong randomness extractors offer a one round solution to the above problem, which is optimal (in terms of entropy loss and min-entropy requirements).

In the setting where Eve is an active adversary, a one-round solution to the problem was first given by Maurer and Wolf [MW97] with min-entropy requirement of  $k_{min} > 2n/3$ , where  $k_{min}$  is the starting min-entropy requirement and  $n$  is the length of  $w$ . This was later improved in Dodis, Katz, Reyzin and Smith [DKRS06] (with min-entropy requirement of  $k_{min} > n/2$ ). The negative results by [DS02, DW09] show that there is no non-interactive (one-round) solution for this problem when the entropy of the weak secret is  $k_{min} \leq n/2$ . Hence, for  $k_{min} \leq n/2$ , researchers explored the use of interaction to design privacy amplification protocols.

In the interactive setting with an active adversary, there are two major lines of work. The first line of constructions began with the protocol given by Renner and Wolf [RW03] who gave a protocol with an entropy loss of  $\Theta(\kappa^2)$  and takes  $\Theta(\kappa)$  rounds of communication, where  $\kappa$  is the security parameters. This was generalized by Kanukurthi and Reyzin [KR09]. In [CKOR10], Chandran, Kanukurthi, Ostrovsky and Reyzin, used optimal-rate codes for the edit distance metric to achieve the first protocol with an entropy loss of  $\Theta(\kappa)$ . The high-level approach of Renner and Wolf’s protocol, which was followed in subsequent works, was to first build an “interactive authentication protocol” which authenticates the message bit-by-bit. This authentication protocol is then used to authenticate a seed to a randomness extractor which is then used to extract

the final key  $K$ , thereby achieving privacy amplification. A natural limitation of this approach is that it is highly interactive and requires  $\Theta(\kappa)$  rounds.

The second line of constructions began with the privacy amplification protocol given by Dodis and Wichs [DW09]. They give an efficient two-round construction (i.e., with optimal round complexity) which has an entropy loss of  $\Theta(\kappa^2)$ . This work also introduces “*seeded Non-malleable extractors (NME)*”, which has the property that the output of the extractor looks uniform, even given its value on a related seed. Their approach for building two-round privacy amplification protocols roughly works as follows: first, they send a seed to a NME which is used to extract the key ( $k$ ) to a non-interactive one-time message authentication code.  $k$  is then used to authenticate a seed  $s$  to an extractor. The final shared key  $K$  is evaluated by both parties, unless any tampering is detected, to be  $\text{Ext}(w; s)$ . In short, the approach of Dodis and Wichs leads to a Privacy amplification protocol with optimal round complexity of 2. Further, [DW09] give an existential result that if one can efficiently construct non-malleable extractors with optimal parameters, we get a two-round privacy amplification protocol with entropy loss  $\Theta(\kappa)$  and min-entropy requirement  $\mathcal{O}(\kappa + \log n)$ . Subsequent to the existential construction of Privacy Amplification given in [DW09], there was focus on improving the parameters by giving explicit constructions of seeded non-malleable extractors [DLWZ11, CRS12, Li12a, Li12b, Li15, CGL16, CL16, Coh16, Li17]. While all these constructions give a 2-round privacy amplification protocol with optimal entropy loss, the min-entropy requirement is not optimal (the best known being  $\mathcal{O}(\kappa \log \kappa + \log n)$  by [Li17]).

Even with these existing connections, there is a significant gap between parameters of existing protocols and optimal parameters. In this work, we approach to solve the privacy amplification problem with the use of “*Non-malleable Randomness encoders (NMRE)*” (or “*Non-malleable Codes (NMC)*”). We explain more about the connection in Section 1.3. As NMREs are seemingly “easier” to build than NMCs (indeed, we already know how to build 2 state rate-1/2 NMREs from [KOS18]) and NMEs, we only need to additionally make these NMREs have optimal error as well as “augmented” security, in order to conclusively solve the long-standing open problem of building constant round privacy amplification protocols with optimal entropy loss. In fact, the NMRE scheme given in [KOS18] does satisfy the augmented property (as pointed out by [Sri]).

**Concurrent and Independent Work.** In a recent concurrent and independent work [Li18], Li obtains a 2 round privacy amplification protocol with optimal entropy loss and optimal min entropy requirement, by building a seeded non-malleable extractor with better parameters. This work lies in the second line of constructions that we mentioned in Section 1.1. On the other hand, in this work, we provide an alternate construction of a constant round (8 rounds) privacy amplification protocol using NMCs/NMREs, which achieves the optimal parameters when the underlying NMCs/NMREs have optimal parameters. The novelty in our construction technique is that, we provide a way of leveraging the non-malleability of NMCs in the split-state model, to achieve non-malleability

in the arbitrary tampering setting of privacy amplification, which might be of independent interest.

While Li’s result in [Li18] supersedes our result with respect to the number of rounds, at the expense of an additional 6 rounds, our construction aims to provide a novel connection between privacy amplification with optimal parameters and NMCs/NMREs, which are seemingly “easier” to build than NMEs. Now that the long standing open problem of achieving asymptotically optimal parameters for privacy amplification protocols has been solved (through Li’s result), the next interesting problem would be to optimize the concrete parameters further. Through an approach which is different from all the existing solutions for privacy amplification protocols, we hope to provide a useful way towards achieving this goal.

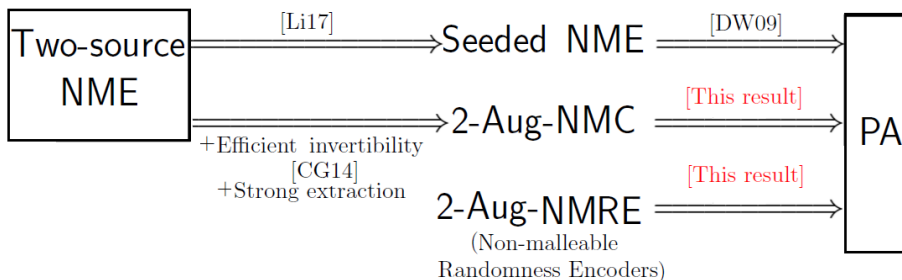
## 1.2 Overview of Research on NMCs and NMREs

We now give a brief overview of Non-malleable Codes. NMCs, introduced by Dziembowski, Peitzak and Wichs, guarantee that a tampered codeword will decode to one of the following:

- $\perp$  i.e., the decoder detects tampering.
- the original message  $m$  itself i.e., the tampering did not change the message
- something independent of  $m$

Since, as observed in [DPW10], NMCs cannot be built to be secure against arbitrary, unrestricted tampering, researchers have explored the problem of building NMCs for various classes of tampering families  $\mathcal{F}$ . The most well-studied model is the “ $t$ -split state” model where a codeword consists of  $t$  states  $(C_1, \dots, C_t)$  and the tampering functions consists of  $t$  functions  $f_1, \dots, f_t$ . The model permits independent tampering of each  $C_i$  via the function  $f_i$ . (Each  $f_i$  itself is not restricted in any way and, therefore, the model enables arbitrary but independent tampering of each state.) Over a series of works researchers have built NMCs for varying values of  $t$ , where  $t = 2$  represents the least restrictive model of tampering and  $t = n$ , for codeword length  $n$ , represents the most restrictive model [DPW10, CG14, ADL14, CZ14, ADKO15, AGM<sup>+</sup>15, Li17, KOS17, KOS18]. At the same time, researchers have also focused on building constructions with good (low) rate. To this date, the problem of building constant rate non-malleable codes in the 2-split state model remains open. In [KOS18], the authors introduced a notion called “Non-malleable Randomnes Encoders” which allow for non-malleably encoding “pure randomness”. Furthermore, they also present a construction of an NMRE with a constant rate of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in the 2-split state model. As we will explain later, the rate of our NMCs/NMREs is closely linked to the entropy loss of the resulting privacy amplification protocol.

Researchers have also explored connections of NMCs to other primitives, as demonstrated by the following picture.



However, somewhat surprisingly, to the best of our knowledge, there isn't a single application of Non-malleable Codes to any information-theoretic primitive in the non-split-state model<sup>1</sup>. One of the reasons for this is that the split-state model doesn't allow for arbitrary tampering when the whole codeword is visible, which most natural applications might require. In this work, we present an application of augmented NMCs (and NMREs) to Privacy Amplification. (Augmented non-malleable codes are secure even if one of the states is leaked to the adversary after the tampering.) We now give an overview of our techniques to build privacy amplification.

### 1.3 Technique for Building PA from NMC

In this work, we deviate from the approaches due to Renner and Wolf (of bit-wise authentication) as well as Dodis and Wichs (of using Non-malleable Extractors) and present a new technique to obtain privacy amplification from (augmented) Non-malleable Codes. (We will use certain elements of Renner and Wolf's approach, which we will describe shortly.) Just as in prior works, the heart of the protocol consists of an authentication protocol from which we can easily obtain a privacy amplification protocol. So for the rest of this discussion, we restrict our attention to interactive authentication and describe our protocol for the same at a high level. Suppose Bob wants to authentically send a message  $m$  to Alice. Alice initiates the protocol by picking a random key  $k$  for the MAC, encodes it into  $(L, R)$  using a non-malleable code and sends it to Bob. Bob can then authenticate his message using the received key for the MAC and send the message and the tag to Alice. In order to be able to use the MAC security, we must ensure that the MAC key  $k$  looks uniform even given the information leaked through the communication channel. It seems natural that the use of non-malleable codes would ensure that even if Eve tampers the channel, Bob would either get the original key or an independent key  $k$ . In such a case, the tag evaluated using the MAC key  $k'$  will not help Eve in successfully forging a tag for a modified message. While this might seem natural, herein lies the first challenge. In order to use the non-malleability of the NMC, the tampering done by Eve must

<sup>1</sup> Recently, in [GK18], Goyal and Kumar introduce a new information theoretic primitive called Non-malleable secret sharing and obtain a construction for the same from Non-malleable codes.

look like a split-state tampering. If the two states of the non-malleable code are sent directly, the tampering of at least one of them would be dependent on the other, and hence will not be a split-state tampering. Hence, we must find a way to capture this tampering in the interactive setting as a split-state tampering. More intuitively, we need to “amplify” the limited two-state non-malleability to arbitrary unbounded non-malleability. This is the major challenge and the reason for our protocol being a bit complex.

To understand how we overcome this challenge, for the sake of simplicity, we will, for now, assume that the adversary is synchronous. Recall that the protocol starts with Alice encoding a MAC key  $k$  into  $(L, R)$ . Since she can’t send both simultaneously to Bob (as it would violate split-state tampering), suppose she first sends the state  $R$ . The idea then is that Alice will mask  $R$  with a one-time pad that she extracts. Specifically, in this modified protocol, Alice initiates the protocol by picking a seed  $x_R$  and sending it to Bob. She then uses this seed (as well as her secret  $w$ ) to extract a mask  $y_R$  to hide  $R$ . Alice sends this masked string  $Z_R = R \oplus Y_R$  to Bob. In the next round, Alice sends the other state  $L$ . Finally, Bob uses the received seed in the first step to unmask and get  $R'$  and decodes the codeword received to get  $k'$ . The main challenge in the security proof is to show that the tampering on  $L$  and  $R$  can now be captured as two-split-state tamperings. Further, as  $L$  is revealed to the adversary, we require the non-malleability to hold, even given the state  $L$ . Hence, we require an augmented non-malleable code.

Showing that the above protocol is secure against a synchronous adversary is in itself non-trivial. However, more complications arise when the adversary is asynchronous. Specifically, the order in which the messages are sent to Bob might be altered and hence, the tampering of  $R$  itself may end up being dependent on  $L$ . To resolve this issue, we borrow the concept of “liveness tests” which was implicit in the protocol due to [RW03] and made explicit in [KR09]. A “Liveness Test” is a two round protocol played between Alice and Bob to ensure that Bob is alive in the protocol. It works as follows: Alice sends the seed to a randomness extractor  $x$  as a challenge. Bob is expected to respond with  $\text{Ext}(w; x)$ . The guarantee, which follows from extractor security, is that if Bob doesn’t respond to the liveness test, then Eve can’t respond to Alice on her own. It can be used to ensure synchrony in the presence of an asynchronous adversary as follows: at the end of each round from Alice to Bob, Bob will be expected to respond to the liveness test. While this is the high level approach, this interleaving of the liveness test and the choice of the messages sent in each round, needs to be done with care to prevent dependency issues from arising.

With high-level intuition behind our construction described above we are able to derive the results (Informal theorems A, B and C) mentioned in the beginning.

#### 1.4 Overview of the Proof Technique

The major challenge in the security proof is to capture the tampering made by Eve as a split-state tampering of the two states. In order to justify this, our first

step is to prove that Eve is guaranteed to be caught with high probability, if she behaves asynchronously and gains no more advantage than the synchronous setting. We structure the protocol, so that all the useful information is sent by Alice. This means we only have to ensure, through the liveness tests, that Bob remains alive in between any two messages sent by Alice. Specifically, the protocol begins by Alice sending a liveness test seed for a long extractor output. At every subsequent step, Alice sends a message across to Bob only after Bob responds to the liveness test correctly. Intuitively then, Eve cannot gain any additional advantage in the asynchronous setting than in the synchronous setting because of the following reasons. Firstly, as the useful information (seed of the mask, the masked right state and then the left state) is only sent by Alice, Eve can gain additional advantage if she manages to fool Alice by getting responses from her, acting as Bob. But by extractor security, we show that Eve will not be able to respond to the liveness tests on her own and hence cannot fool Alice except with a negligible probability. On the other hand, if Eve tries to fool Bob by acting as Alice and getting responses from him, then she actually gains no additional information than what she would have in the synchronous setting. This is because, by the nature of the protocol, the only information Bob sends (until the last step) are liveness test responses, which gives no information about the encoded message  $k$ .

Once we move into the analysis for the synchronous setting, we wish to use the extractor security to guarantee that  $Z_R$  (which is the masked right state, i.e.,  $R \oplus \text{Ext}(W; X_R)$ ) looks uniform and hence the tampering on  $L$  can be defined independent of  $R$ . While intuitively this looks straight forward, the proof requires a careful analysis of the auxiliary information (which are, for example, the liveness test responses), and a suitable use of extractor security to carefully define the correct tampering functions acting on the two states. In particular, once  $Z_R$  is replaced by a uniformly chosen string and not the output of an extractor, a challenge is to make the tampering of  $R$  consistent with the desired tampering function. We accomplish this by carefully redefining the tampering function acting on  $R$  so that it still remains split-state and, at the same time, produces a consistent output as the original tampering function. Once this is done, we use the non-malleability of the underlying NMCs to ensure that the modified key  $k'$ , if altered, is independent of  $k$ . This helps us use the MAC security for the desired robustness.

## 1.5 Organization of the Paper

We explain the preliminaries and the building blocks required for the main protocol in Sections 2 and 3. Then, we explain the construction of the protocol in Section 4 and give a detailed security analysis in Section 5. Further, we discuss a variant of the construction from NMREs in Section 6.



## 2 Preliminaries

### 2.1 Notation

$\kappa$  denotes security parameter throughout.  $s \in_R S$  denotes uniform sampling from set  $S$ .  $x \leftarrow X$  denotes sampling from a probability distribution  $X$ . The notation  $\Pr_X[x]$  denotes the probability assigned by  $X$  to the value  $x$ .  $x||y$  represents concatenation of two binary strings  $x$  and  $y$ .  $|x|$  denotes length of binary string  $x$ .  $U_l$  denotes the uniform distribution on  $\{0, 1\}^l$ . All logarithms are base 2.

### 2.2 Statistical distance and Entropy

Let  $X_1, X_2$  be two probability distributions over some set  $S$ . Their *statistical distance* is

$$\mathbf{SD}(X_1, X_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \max_{T \subseteq S} \{\Pr[X_1 \in T] - \Pr[X_2 \in T]\} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s \in S} \left| \Pr_{X_1}[s] - \Pr_{X_2}[s] \right|$$

(they are said to be  $\varepsilon$ -close if  $\mathbf{SD}(X_1, X_2) \leq \varepsilon$  and denoted by  $X_1 \approx_\varepsilon X_2$ ).

For an event  $E$ ,  $\mathbf{SD}_E(A; B)$  denotes  $\mathbf{SD}(A|E; B|E)$ .

The *min-entropy* of a random variable  $W$  is  $\mathbf{H}_\infty(W) = -\log(\max_w \Pr[W = w])$ .

For a joint distribution  $(W, E)$ , following [DORS08], we define the (*average*) *conditional min-entropy* of  $W$  given  $E$  as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(W | E) = -\log(\mathbf{E}_{e \leftarrow E} (2^{-\mathbf{H}_\infty(W|E=e)}))$$

(here the expectation is taken over  $e$  for which  $\Pr[E = e]$  is nonzero).

For a random variable  $W$  over  $\{0, 1\}^n$ ,  $W$  is said to be a  $(n, t)$ -source if  $\mathbf{H}_\infty(W) \geq t$ .

### 2.3 Definitions

We now define an interactive authentication protocol. Let Alice and Bob share a secret  $w$ , chosen from a distribution  $W$ . Through an interactive authentication protocol, the goal is for Alice to be able to authentically send a message  $m_a$  to Bob, in the presence of an active adversary Eve. Let  $m_b$  denote the message received by Bob. Alice and Bob output “accept” or “reject” after the execution of the protocol, which we denote by  $t_A$  and  $t_B$  respectively.

**Definition 1.** ([CKOR10]) *An interactive protocol  $(A, B)$  played by Alice and Bob on a communication channel fully controlled by an adversary Eve, is a  $(h_W, \kappa)$ -interactive authentication protocol if  $\forall m$ , it satisfies the following properties whenever  $\mathbf{H}_\infty(W) \geq h_W$  and  $m_a = m$ :*

1. *Correctness.* If Eve is passive,  $\Pr[m_a = m_b] = 1$ .

2. *Robustness.* For any Eve, the probability that the following experiment outputs “Eve wins” is at most  $2^{-\kappa}$ : sample  $w \leftarrow W$ ; let  $\text{received}_a, \text{received}_b$  be the messages received by Alice and Bob upon execution of  $(A, B)$  with Eve actively controlling the channel, and let  $A(w, \text{received}_a, r_a, m_a) = t_A$ ,  $B(w, \text{received}_b, r_b) = (m_b, t_B)$ . Output “Eve wins” if  $(m_b \neq m_a \wedge t_B = \text{“accept”})$ .

Further, we define a privacy amplification protocol. Let Alice and Bob share a secret  $w$ , chosen from a distribution  $W$ . The goal of a privacy amplification protocol is for Alice and Bob to agree on a uniform key, in the presence of an active adversary Eve. Let  $k_A$  and  $k_B$  denote the output of Alice and Bob, after the execution of the protocol.

**Definition 2.** ([CKOR10]) An interactive protocol  $(A, B)$  played by Alice and Bob on a communication channel fully controlled by an adversary Eve, is a  $(h_W, \lambda_k, \delta, \epsilon)$ -**privacy amplification protocol** if it satisfies the following properties whenever  $\mathbf{H}_\infty(W) \geq h_W$ :

1. *Correctness.* If Eve is passive,  $\Pr[k_A = k_B] = 1$ .
2. *Robustness.* For any Eve, the probability that the following experiment outputs “Eve wins” is at most  $2^{-\delta}$ : sample  $w$  from  $W$ ; let  $\text{received}_a, \text{received}_b$  be the messages received by Alice and Bob upon execution of  $(A, B)$  with Eve actively controlling the channel, and let  $A(w, \text{received}_a, r_a) = k_A$ ,  $B(w, \text{received}_b, r_b) = k_B$ . Output “Eve wins” if  $(k_A \neq k_B \wedge k_A \neq \perp \wedge k_B \neq \perp)$ .
3. *Extraction.* Define  $\text{purify}(r)$  to be a randomized function whose input is either a binary string or  $\perp$ . If  $r = \perp$ , then  $\text{purify}(r) = \perp$ ; else,  $\text{purify}(r)$  is a uniformly chosen random string of length  $\lambda_k$ . Let  $\text{Sent}_a, \text{Sent}_b$  be the messages sent by Alice and Bob upon execution of  $(A, B)$  in presence of Eve. Note that the pair  $\text{Sent} = (\text{Sent}_a, \text{Sent}_b)$  contains an active Eve’s view of the protocol. We require that for any Eve,

$$\mathbf{SD}((k_A, \text{Sent}), (\text{purify}(k_A), \text{Sent})) \leq \epsilon$$

$$\mathbf{SD}((k_B, \text{Sent}), (\text{purify}(k_B), \text{Sent})) \leq \epsilon$$

We now define “Non-malleable randomness encoders” (NMRE), introduced in [KOS18]. NMREs can be viewed as samplers, that would sample a uniform message along with its non-malleable encoding. The security guarantee given by NMREs is that the uniform message output by the NMRE, looks uniform even given the tampered uniform message. The formal definition is given below.

**Definition 3.** Let  $(\text{NMREnc}, \text{NMRDec})$  be s.t.  $\text{NMREnc} : \{0, 1\}^r \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^k \times (\{0, 1\}^{n_1} \times \{0, 1\}^{n_2})$  is defined as  $\text{NMREnc}(r) = (\text{NMREnc}_1(r), \text{NMREnc}_2(r)) = (m, (x, y))$  and  $\text{NMRDec} : \{0, 1\}^{n_1} \times \{0, 1\}^{n_2} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^k$ .

We say that  $(\text{NMREnc}, \text{NMRDec})$  is a  $\epsilon$ -**non-malleable randomness encoder** with message space  $\{0, 1\}^k$  and codeword space  $\{0, 1\}^{n_1} \times \{0, 1\}^{n_2}$ , for the distribution  $\mathcal{R}$  on  $\{0, 1\}^r$  with respect to the 2-split-state family  $\mathcal{F}$  if the following is satisfied:

– **Correctness:**

$$\Pr_{r \leftarrow \mathcal{R}} [\text{NMRDec}(\text{NMREnc}_2(r)) = \text{NMREnc}_1(r)] = 1$$

– **Non-malleability:** For each  $(f, g) \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\exists$  a distribution  $\text{NMRSim}_{f,g}$  over  $\{0, 1\}^k \cup \{\text{same}^*, \perp\}$  such that

$$\text{NMRTamper}_{f,g} \approx_\epsilon \text{Copy}(U_k, \text{NMRSim}_{f,g})$$

where  $\text{NMRTamper}_{f,g}$  denotes the distribution  $(\text{NMREnc}_1(\mathcal{R}), \text{NMRDec}((f, g)(\text{NMREnc}_2(\mathcal{R})))^2)$  and  $\text{Copy}(U_k, \text{NMRSim}_{f,g})$  is defined as:

$$u \leftarrow U_k; \tilde{m} \leftarrow \text{NMRSim}_{f,g}$$

$$\text{Copy}(u, \tilde{m}) = \begin{cases} (u, u), & \text{if } \tilde{m} = \text{same}^* \\ (u, \tilde{m}), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\text{NMRSim}_{f,g}$  should be efficiently samplable given oracle access to  $(f, g)(\cdot)$ .

Further, the rate of this code is defined as  $k/(n_1 + n_2)$

We now define a stronger variant of NMREs called ‘‘augmented’’ NMREs. NMREs provide the guarantee that the tampered message can be simulated independent of the original uniform message (barring the *same*<sup>\*</sup> case). We now strengthen this guarantee, by requiring that not only the tampered message but also one of the states of the non-malleable encoding, can be simulated independent of the original uniform message.

**Definition 4.** Let  $(\text{NMREnc}, \text{NMRDec})$  be s.t.  $\text{NMREnc} : \{0, 1\}^r \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^k \times (\{0, 1\}^{n_1} \times \{0, 1\}^{n_2})$  is defined as  $\text{NMREnc}(r) = (\text{NMREnc}_1(r), \text{NMREnc}_2(r)) = (m, (x, y))$  and  $\text{NMRDec} : \{0, 1\}^{n_1} \times \{0, 1\}^{n_2} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^k$ .

We say that  $(\text{NMREnc}, \text{NMRDec})$  is a  $\epsilon$ -**augmented non-malleable randomness encoder** with message space  $\{0, 1\}^k$  and codeword space  $\{0, 1\}^{n_1} \times \{0, 1\}^{n_2}$ , for the distribution  $\mathcal{R}$  on  $\{0, 1\}^r$  with respect to the 2-split-state family  $\mathcal{F}$  if the following is satisfied:

– **Correctness:**

$$\Pr_{r \leftarrow \mathcal{R}} [\text{NMRDec}(\text{NMREnc}_2(r)) = \text{NMREnc}_1(r)] = 1$$

– **Non-malleability:** For each  $(f, g) \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\exists$  a distribution  $\text{NMRSim}_{f,g}$  over  $\{0, 1\}^{n_1} \times \{\{0, 1\}^k \cup \{\text{same}^*, \perp\}\}$  such that

$$\text{NMRTamper}_{f,g}^+ \approx_\epsilon \text{Copy}(U_k, \text{NMRSim}_{f,g}^+)$$

<sup>2</sup> Here  $(f, g)(\text{NMREnc}_2(\mathcal{R}))$  just denotes the tampering by the split-state tampering functions  $f$  and  $g$  on the corresponding states.

where  $\text{NMRTamper}_{f,g}^+$  denotes the distribution  $(\text{NMREnc}_1(\mathcal{R}), L, \text{NMDec}((f(L), g(R))))$  where  $(L, R) \equiv \text{NMREnc}_2(\mathcal{R})$  and  $\text{Copy}(U_k, \text{NMRSim}_{f,g}^+)$  is defined as:

$$u \leftarrow U_k; L, \tilde{m} \leftarrow \text{NMRSim}_{f,g}^+$$

$$\text{Copy}(u, \tilde{m}) = \begin{cases} (u, L, u), & \text{if } \tilde{m} = \text{same}^* \\ (u, L, \tilde{m}), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\text{NMRSim}_{f,g}^+$  should be efficiently samplable given oracle access to  $(f, g)(\cdot)$ .

## 2.4 Some Preliminary Lemmata and Propositions

We state and prove some of the preliminary lemmata and propositions which will be used in the security proof.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $A, B$  be any two independent distributions on  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  respectively. Let  $C$  be the distribution defined by  $C := f(A, B)$  for some deterministic function  $f$ . Then, the following distributions will be identical:*

$\mathcal{D}_1:$ - $a \leftarrow A$ - $b \leftarrow B$ - $c = f(a, b)$ - Output $a, b, c$	$\mathcal{D}_2:$ - $a \leftarrow A$ - $b \leftarrow B$ - $c = f(a, b)$ - $a' \leftarrow A   f(A, b) = c$ - Output $a', b, c$
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**Lemma 2.** *For any random variables  $A, B, C$  if  $(A, B) \approx_\epsilon (A, C)$ , then  $B \approx_\epsilon C$*

**Lemma 3.** *For any random variables  $A, B$  if  $A \approx_\epsilon B$ , then for any function  $f$ ,  $f(A) \approx_\epsilon f(B)$*

**Lemma 4.** [DORS08] *Let  $A, B, C$  be random variables. Then*

- (a) *For any  $\delta > 0$ , the conditional entropy  $\mathbf{H}_\infty(A|B = b)$  is at least  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(A|B) - \log(1/\delta)$  with probability at least  $1 - \delta$  over the choice of  $b$ .*
- (b) *If  $B$  has at most  $2^\lambda$  possible values, then  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(A | B) \geq \mathbf{H}_\infty(A, B) - \lambda \geq \mathbf{H}_\infty(A) - \lambda$ . and, more generally,  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(A | B, C) \geq \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(A, B | C) - \lambda \geq \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(A | C) - \lambda$ .*

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  be mutually exclusive and exhaustive events. Then, for random variables  $X_1, X_2$  taking values in  $\mathcal{S}$ , we have:*

$$\mathbf{SD}(X_1, X_2) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i] \cdot \mathbf{SD}(X_1|A_i, X_2|A_i)$$

where  $X_j|A_i$  is the random variable  $X_j$  conditioned on the event  $A_i$ .

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}
 2\mathbf{SD}(X_1, X_2) &= \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \left| \Pr[X_1 = s] - \Pr[X_2 = s] \right| \\
 &= \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \Pr[A_i] \Pr[X_1 = s|A_i] - \Pr[A_i] \Pr[X_2 = s|A_i] \right) \right| \\
 &\leq \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i] \left| \Pr[X_1 = s|A_i] - \Pr[X_2 = s|A_i] \right| \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i] \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \left| \Pr[X_1 = s|A_i] - \Pr[X_2 = s|A_i] \right| \\
 &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i] \cdot \mathbf{SD}(X_1|A_i, X_2|A_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $A, B$  be random variables taking values in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Let  $C$  be any random variable taking values in  $\mathcal{C}$ .*

$$\text{If } \forall c \in \mathcal{C}, \mathbf{SD}_{C=c}(A; B) \leq \epsilon, \text{ then } \mathbf{SD}((A, C); (B, C)) \leq \epsilon$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}
 2\mathbf{SD}((A, C); (B, C)) &= \sum_{a, c} |\Pr[A = a, C = c] - \Pr[B = a, C = c]| \\
 &= \sum_c \Pr[C = c] \sum_a |\Pr[A = a|C = c] - \Pr[B = a|C = c]| \\
 &\leq \sum_c \Pr[C = c] \cdot \epsilon \\
 &= \epsilon
 \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  be mutually exclusive and exhaustive events. Let  $B$  be any (possibly correlated to  $A_i$ 's) event with non-zero probability. Then*

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i|B] = 1$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i|B] &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\Pr[A_i \wedge B]}{\Pr[B]} \\
&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[A_i \wedge B]}{\Pr[B]} \\
&= \frac{\Pr[B]}{\Pr[B]} \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

The third equation follows because  $A_i$ 's are mutually exclusive and exhaustive events.

**Proposition 4.** *Let  $A, B$  be random variables taking values in  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  respectively. Let  $F$  be some event with non-zero probability. Let  $C$  be the random variable  $B|F$ . Suppose  $A$  is independent of the event  $F$ , then*

$$\forall a \in \mathcal{A}, b \in \mathcal{B}, \Pr[A = a, B = b|F] = \Pr[A = a, C = b] \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{SD}((A, B); (A, C)) \leq 1 - \Pr[F]$$

*Proof.* Define random variable  $D$  as  $A|F$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pr[A = a, B = b|F] &= \Pr[D = a, C = b] \\
&= \Pr[A = a, C = b]
\end{aligned}$$

The above equation follows because  $A$  is independent of  $F$  and therefore,  $D \equiv A$ . Let  $\tilde{F}$  be the complement event of  $F$ .

$2\mathbf{SD}((A, B); (A, C))$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{a,b} |\Pr[A = a, B = b] - \Pr[A = a, C = b]| \\
&= \sum_{a,b} |\Pr[F] \Pr[A = a, B = b|F] + \Pr[\tilde{F}] \Pr[A = a, B = b|\tilde{F}] - \Pr[A = a, C = b]| \\
&= \sum_{a,b} |\Pr[F] \Pr[A = a, C = b] + \Pr[\tilde{F}] \Pr[A = a, B = b|\tilde{F}] - \Pr[A = a, C = b]| \\
&\leq \sum_{a,b} |\Pr[F] \Pr[A = a, C = b] - \Pr[A = a, C = b]| + \Pr[\tilde{F}] \sum_{a,b} \Pr[A = a, B = b|\tilde{F}] \\
&= (1 - \Pr[F]) \sum_{a,b} (\Pr[A = a, C = b]) + \Pr[\tilde{F}] \cdot 1 \\
&= (1 - \Pr[F]) \cdot 1 + \Pr[\tilde{F}] \\
&= 2(1 - \Pr[F])
\end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 5.** *Let  $A, B, C$  be random variables and  $F$  be some event with non-zero probability. Suppose  $(A, C)$  are independent of  $(B, F)$  and  $A \approx_\epsilon C$ , then  $(A, B)|F \approx_\epsilon (C, B)|F$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A', B', C'$  denote the random variables  $(A|F), (B|F), (C|F)$ .  $(A, C)$  are independent of  $(B, F)$ . Therefore,  $A'$  and  $C'$  are independent of  $B'$ . For the sake of completeness we just show  $A'$  is independent of  $B'$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[A' = a, B' = b] &= \Pr[A = a, B = b|F] \\ &= \Pr[A = a, B = b, F] / \Pr[F] \\ &= (\Pr[A = a] \Pr[B = b, F]) / \Pr[F] \\ &= \Pr[A = a] \Pr[B = b|F] \\ &= \Pr[A = a|F] \Pr[B = b|F] = \Pr[A' = a] \Pr[B' = b] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2\text{SD}((A, B)|F; (C, B)|F) &= \sum_{a,b} \left| \Pr[A = a, B = b|F] - \Pr[C = a, B = b|F] \right| \\ &= \sum_{a,b} \left| \Pr[A' = a, B' = b] - \Pr[C' = a, B' = b] \right| \\ &= \sum_b \Pr[B' = b] \sum_a \left| \Pr[A' = a] - \Pr[C' = a] \right| \\ &= \sum_b \Pr[B' = b] \sum_a \left| \Pr[A = a] - \Pr[C = a] \right| \\ &\leq \sum_b \Pr[B' = b] \cdot 2\epsilon = 2\epsilon \end{aligned}$$

The above equations follow because  $A, C$  are independent of  $F$  and therefore,  $A' \equiv A$  and  $C' \equiv C$ .

### 3 Building Blocks

We use information-theoretic message authentication codes, strong average case extractor and an augmented non-malleable code for 2-split-state family, as building blocks to our construction. We define these building blocks below.

#### 3.1 Augmented Non-malleable Codes

Augmented NMCs provide a stronger guarantee (than NMCs) that, both the tampered message and one of the states of the non-malleable encoding of the original message can be simulated independent of the original message. We define augmented non-malleable codes for the 2-split-state family as below.

**Definition 5 (Augmented Non-malleable Codes).** [AAG<sup>+</sup>16] A coding scheme  $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  with message and codeword spaces as  $\{0, 1\}^\alpha, (\{0, 1\}^\beta)^2$  respectively, is  $\epsilon$ -augmented-non-malleable with respect to the function family  $\mathcal{F} = \{(f_1, f_2) : f_i : \{0, 1\}^\beta \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^\beta\}$  if  $\forall (f_1, f_2) \in \mathcal{F}, \exists$  a distribution  $\text{Sim}_{f_1, f_2}$  over  $(\{0, 1\}^\beta) \times (\{0, 1\}^\alpha \cup \{\text{same}^*, \perp\})$  such that  $\forall m \in \{0, 1\}^\alpha$

$$\text{Tamper}_{f_1, f_2}^m \approx_\epsilon \text{Copy}_{\text{Sim}_{f_1, f_2}}^m$$

where  $\text{Tamper}_{f_1, f_2}^m$  denotes the distribution  $(L, \text{Dec}(f_1(L), f_2(R)))$ , where  $\text{Enc}(m) = (L, R)$ .  $\text{Copy}_{\text{Sim}_{f_1, f_2}}^m$  is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} & (L, \tilde{m}) \leftarrow \text{Sim}_{f_1, f_2} \\ \text{Copy}_{\text{Sim}_{f_1, f_2}}^m &= \begin{cases} (L, m) & \text{if } (L, \tilde{m}) = (L, \text{same}^*) \\ (L, \tilde{m}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$\text{Sim}_{f_1, f_2}$  should be efficiently samplable given oracle access to  $(f_1, f_2)(\cdot)$ .<sup>3</sup> We say an  $\epsilon$ -augmented non-malleable code has optimal error, if  $\epsilon \leq 2^{-\Theta(\alpha)}$ . We express the rate, of an augmented non-malleable code as a function of  $\alpha$ . We say the rate is a function  $r(\cdot)$ , if  $2\beta = (\alpha/r(\alpha))$  i.e codeword length  $= \frac{\text{message length}}{r(\text{message length})}$ . Similarly, the  $\epsilon$ -non-malleable code has error  $2^{-\phi(\cdot)}$ , if  $\epsilon \leq 2^{-\phi(\cdot)}$

### 3.2 Information-theoretic One-Time Message Authentication Codes

Message Authentication Codes comprise of keyed functions,  $\text{Tag}$  and  $\text{Vrfy}$ . To authenticate a message  $m$ , the  $\text{Tag}$  function is applied on  $m$ , which would output tag  $t$ . The  $\text{Vrfy}$  function takes a message  $m$  and tag  $t$ , outputs either 0 (reject) or 1 (accept). The security guarantee of an information-theoretic one-time message authentication code is that, even an all powerful adversary who has seen atmost one valid message-tag pair, cannot forge a tag that verifies on a different message. The formal definition is as follows:

**Definition 6.** A family of pair of functions  $\{\text{Tag}_{k_a} : \{0, 1\}^\gamma \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^\delta, \text{Vrfy}_{k_a} : \{0, 1\}^\gamma \times \{0, 1\}^\delta \rightarrow \{0, 1\}\}_{k_a \in \{0, 1\}^\tau}$  is said to a  $\mu$ -secure one time MAC if

1. For  $k_a \in_R \{0, 1\}^\tau, \forall m \in \{0, 1\}^\gamma, \Pr[\text{Vrfy}_{k_a}(m, \text{Tag}_{k_a}(m)) = 1] = 1$
2. For any  $m \neq m', t, t', \Pr[\text{Tag}_{k_a}(m) = t | \text{Tag}_{k_a}(m') = t'] \leq \mu$  for  $k_a \in_R \{0, 1\}^\tau$

### 3.3 Average-case Extractors

Extractors output an almost uniform string from a  $(n, t)$ -source, using a short uniform string, called *seed*, as a catalyst. Average-case extractors are extractors whose output remains close to uniform, even given the seed and some auxiliary information about the source (but independent of the seed), whenever the source has enough average entropy given the auxiliary information.

<sup>3</sup> For simplicity in the proof, we may assume here that the decoder  $\text{Dec}$  never outputs  $\perp$ . This can be done by replacing  $\perp$  with some fixed string, like 00..0.



**Definition 7.** [DORS08, Section 2.5] Let  $\text{Ext} : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^d \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^l$  be a polynomial time computable function. We say that  $\text{Ext}$  is an efficient average-case  $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon)$ -strong extractor if for all pairs of random variables  $(W, I)$  such that  $W$  is an  $n$ -bit string satisfying  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(W|I) \geq t$ , we have  $\mathbf{SD}((\text{Ext}(W; X), X, I), (U, X, I)) \leq \epsilon$ , where  $X$  is uniform on  $\{0, 1\}^d$ .

We further need the following lemmata, which give some properties of randomness extractors.

**Lemma 5.** Let  $W$  be a source with min-entropy  $t$  and  $\text{Ext}$  be an  $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon)$ -strong extractor. Then the following distributions are  $\epsilon$ -close.

$$\begin{array}{l|l}
 \begin{array}{l}
 - x \in_R \{0, 1\}^d \\
 - w \leftarrow W \\
 - y = \text{Ext}(w; x) \\
 - \text{Output: } x, y, w
 \end{array} &
 \begin{array}{l}
 - x \in_R \{0, 1\}^d \\
 - y' \in_R \{0, 1\}^l \\
 - \text{If } \exists w^{res} \in \text{Support}(W), \text{ such that } y' = \text{Ext}(w; x) \\
 \quad w^{res} \leftarrow W | \text{Ext}(W; x) = y' \\
 \quad \text{else } w^{res} = \perp \\
 - \text{Output: } x, y', w^{res}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

*Proof.* We now define sets **Good** and **Bad** as follows.

$$\text{Good} = \{x, y : \exists w \in \text{Support}(W), \text{ such that } \text{Ext}(w; x) = y\}$$

$$\text{Bad} = \{x, y : \nexists w \in \text{Support}(W), \text{ such that } \text{Ext}(w; x) = y\}$$

To keep the space of values taken by  $W$  and  $W^{res}$  same, we set  $\Pr[W = \perp] = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2\mathbf{SD}((X, Y, W); (X, Y', W^{res})) \\
 &= \sum_{x, y} |\Pr[X = x, Y = y, W = \perp] - \Pr[X = x, Y' = y, W^{res} = \perp]| \\
 & \quad + \sum_{x, y, w} |\Pr[X = x, Y = y, W = w] - \Pr[X = x, Y' = y, W^{res} = w]| \\
 &= \sum_{(x, y) \in \text{Bad}} |\Pr[X = x, Y = y] - \Pr[X = x, Y' = y]| \\
 & \quad + \sum_{(x, y) \in \text{Good}, w} |\Pr[X = x, Y = y, W = w] - \Pr[X = x, Y' = y, W^{res} = w]| \tag{1} \\
 &= \sum_{(x, y) \in \text{Bad}} |\Pr[X = x, Y = y] - \Pr[X = x, Y' = y]| \\
 & \quad + \sum_{(x, y) \in \text{Good}} |\Pr[X = x, Y = y] - \Pr[X = x, Y' = y]| \cdot \sum_w \Pr[W = w | \text{Ext}(W; x) = y] \\
 & \tag{2} \\
 &= 2\mathbf{SD}((X, Y); (X, Y')) \leq \epsilon.
 \end{aligned}$$

Equation 1 follows because  $(X, Y) \in \text{Bad}$  with probability zero (in fact  $\Pr[W = \perp] = 0$ ) and  $W^{res} = \perp$  if and only if  $(X, Y') \in \text{Bad}$ . Equation 2 follows from the definition of  $W^{res}$ .

**Lemma 6 (Lemma 1, [KR09]).** *Let  $\text{Ext}$  be an  $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon)$ -strong extractor,  $W$  be a random variable over  $\{0, 1\}^n$ , with  $\mathbf{H}_\infty(W) \geq t$ . Then  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(\text{Ext}(W; X)|X) \geq \min(l, \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}) - 1$ . More generally, if  $\text{Ext}$  is an average-case  $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon)$ -strong extractor and  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(W|E) \geq t$ , then  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(\text{Ext}(W; X)|X, E) \geq \min(l, \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}) - 1$ .*

The following remark immediately follows from Lemma 6.

*Remark 1.* If  $\text{Ext}$  is an average-case  $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon)$ -strong extractor and  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(W|E) \geq t$ ,  $Y$  be a substring of  $\text{Ext}(W; X)$  with length  $q$ , then  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(Y|X, E) \geq \min(q, \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}) - 1$ .

## 4 Protocol

### 4.1 Notation

- Let  $\text{Ext}'$  be an  $(n, t', d, 3l', \epsilon_1)$ - average case extractor.
- Let  $\text{Ext}$  be an  $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon_2)$ - average case extractor.
- Let  $\text{Enc}, \text{Dec}$  be an  $\epsilon_3$ - secure two-state augmented non-malleable code with message, codeword spaces being  $\{0, 1\}^\tau$  and  $\{0, 1\}^{2l}$ .
- Let  $\text{Tag}, \text{Vrfy}$  be an  $\epsilon_4$ -secure one-time MAC with key, message and tag spaces being  $\{0, 1\}^\tau$ ,  $\{0, 1\}^d$ , and  $\{0, 1\}^\delta$  respectively.
- Let  $\text{Ext}''$  be an  $(n, t'', d, l'', \epsilon_5)$ - average case extractor.
- Let  $\lambda$  denote the security parameter w.r.t to the underlying protocols used. We will set the security parameter  $\kappa$  of the main protocol in terms of this  $\lambda$ .

### 4.2 Protocol

We now describe the Privacy Amplification Protocol below.  $w$  is drawn from the entropic source  $W$ , and is shared between Alice and Bob. We denote the Interactive Authentication Protocol to authenticate a message  $m$  by  $\pi_{m,w}^{\text{AUTH}}$  and the Privacy Amplification Protocol by  $\pi_w^{\text{PA}}$ .

As described in the introduction, the idea behind the protocol is as follows: For the synchronous setting: Alice picks a MAC key, encodes it using the NMC and sends across the states to Bob. Now, in order to ensure that the tampering done by Eve is captured as a split-state tampering on the states, Alice uses an extractor and masks one of the states before sending it. In the next round, the other state is sent in clear. We require the augmented nature of the NMC to guarantee security even when one state is sent in clear. For the asynchronous setting, we need to add “liveness tests” to the protocol (where an extractor seed is sent by one party as a challenge and the other party has to respond to this correctly). By the nature of the protocol, as the communication is unidirectional (all the “useful information” is only sent by Alice), we only need to include liveness tests to ensure that Bob is alive. For this, Alice sends a liveness test seed for a long extractor output in the first step. This challenge seed is reused

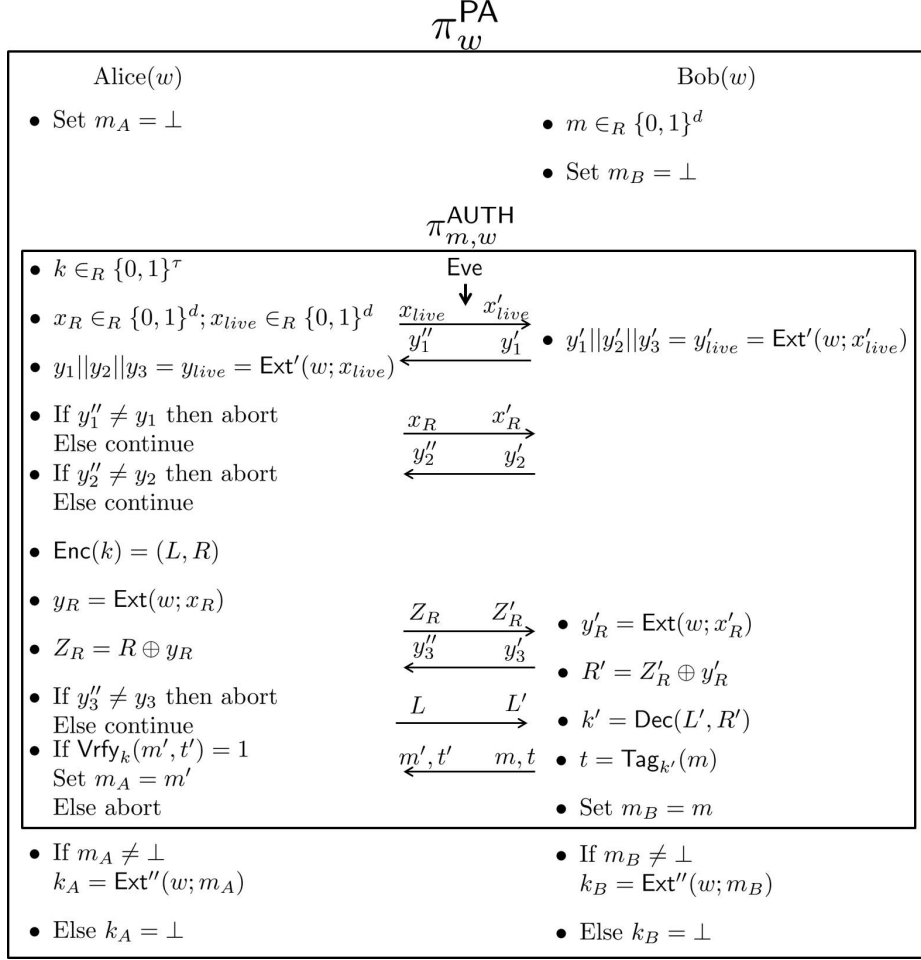


Fig. 1. Privacy Amplification Protocol

for the liveness test responses. The reuse of liveness test seed reduces the number of rounds in the protocol. But, in addition, it is also crucial that this is done to guarantee security of protocol, else dependencies arise.

**Theorem 1** *Let  $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ ,  $(\text{Tag}, \text{Vrfy})$ ,  $\text{Ext}'$  and  $\text{Ext}$  be as in Section 4.1. Then, the 8-round sub-protocol  $\pi^{\text{AUTH}}$  in Figure 1 is a  $(t', \kappa)$ -interactive message authentication protocol.*

**Theorem 2.A** *Let  $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ ,  $(\text{Tag}, \text{Vrfy})$ ,  $\text{Ext}'$  and  $\text{Ext}$  be as in Section 4.1. If  $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  is a two-state, constant rate augmented non-malleable code with optimal error  $2^{-\Omega(\kappa)}$ , then the 8-round protocol  $\pi^{\text{PA}}$  in Figure 1 is a  $(t', l'', \kappa, \kappa -$*

1)-secure privacy amplification protocol with optimal entropy loss  $\mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \kappa)$  and with min-entropy requirement  $t' = \Omega(\log(n) + \kappa)$ .

**Theorem 2.B** *Let  $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ ,  $(\text{Tag}, \text{Vrfy})$ ,  $\text{Ext}'$  and  $\text{Ext}$  be as in Section 4.1. If  $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  is instantiated with the augmented non-malleable code given in [Li17], then the 8-round protocol  $\pi^{\text{PA}}$  in Figure 1 is a  $(t', l'', \kappa, \kappa - 1)$ -secure privacy amplification protocol with entropy loss being  $\mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \kappa \log(\kappa))$  and with min-entropy requirement  $t' = \Omega(\log(n) + \kappa \log \kappa)$ .*

## 5 Security Proof of Our Protocol

### 5.1 Proof of Theorem 1

We first prove that  $\pi^{\text{AUTH}}$  is an interactive authentication protocol.

**Correctness:** The correctness of  $\pi^{\text{AUTH}}$  follows easily.

**Robustness:** We need to show that

$$\Pr[\text{Eve wins}] = \Pr[m_A \neq m_B \wedge m_A \neq \perp \wedge m_B \neq \perp] \leq 2^{-\kappa}.$$

If Bob didn't receive any messages during the protocol, then  $m_B = \perp$  and Eve doesn't win. Further, for Eve to win, all the liveness test checks must have verified correctly. Hence, from now on, we assume Bob receives and sends messages and that the liveness test checks go through. We now analyze Eve's success probability by considering the asynchronous and synchronous case separately. We define the following events for the same.

- Let **Sync** denote the event that Eve is synchronous and doesn't interleave.
- **Async** denote the complement of the event **Sync**, i.e., where Eve interleaves.
- **Pass** denote the event that Eve passes all initial checks done by Alice and Bob. It denotes the event " $(y_1'' || y_2'' || y_3'' = y_{\text{live}})$ ". **Pass** also implies  $m_B = m \neq \perp$ .

Then, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[\text{Eve wins}] &\leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins} | \text{Sync}] + \Pr[\text{Eve wins} | \text{Async}] \\ &\leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins} | \text{Sync}, \text{Pass}] + \Pr[\text{Eve wins} | \text{Async}] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

This is because, the event Eve wins implies that **Pass** has occurred. To prove robustness we will now bound each of the above summands.

**Lemma 6.**  $\Pr[\text{Eve wins} | \text{Async}] \leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins} | \text{Sync}, \text{Pass}] + 2^{-l'+1}$

*Proof.* We first introduce the following notations:

- Let  $msg_i$  denote the message received by Eve in the actual  $i$ -th round (i.e., in the synchronous world) of the protocol ( $msg_1 = x_{\text{live}}$ ,  $msg_2 = y_1', \dots, msg_8 = m, t$ ).
- Let  $msg'_i$  denote the modification of  $msg_i$  sent by Eve to Bob/Alice ( $msg'_1 = x'_{\text{live}}$ ,  $msg'_2 = y_1'', \dots, msg'_8 = m', t'$ ). In the asynchronous setting these modified messages may depend on messages received by Eve in later rounds).

We split the event `Async` into the following two mutually exclusive and exhaustive events:

- **Case1** : This event is defined as the union of the following two events.
  - a Eve sends  $msg'_i$  to Alice before receiving  $msg_i$  from Bob, where  $i \in \{2, 4, 6\}$
  - b Eve sends  $msg'_1(x'_{live})$  to Bob before receiving  $msg_1(x_{live})$  from Alice.
- **Case2** : This event is defined as the union of the following two events.
  - a Eve sends  $msg'_i$  to Bob before receiving  $msg_i$  from Alice, where  $i \in \{3, 5, 7\}$  and `Case1C` happens .
  - b Eve sends  $msg'_8$  to Alice before receiving  $msg_8$  from Bob and `Case1C` happens.

These events are clearly exhaustive because `Async` happens if and only if there exists some  $i \in [8]$ , such that  $msg'_i$  is sent to Alice(Bob) before receiving  $msg_i$  from Bob(Alice). Then, we have:

$$\Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Async}] \leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case1}] + \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case2}] \quad (4)$$

We now bound each of the summands above separately.

**Claim 1**  $\Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case1}] \leq 2^{-l'+1}$

*Proof.* The intuition behind the claim is that, given `Case1`, Eve doesn't have enough information to pass all the liveness tests. For example, consider `Case1b`. Before passing all the liveness tests, Eve's view(barring  $x_{live}, x'_{live}$ ) is a function of  $x_R, z_R, y', m, t'$ , of which only  $t'$  may be dependent on  $x_{live}$  (for example: where Eve sends  $x_{live}$  as  $x'_R$  and completes interaction with Bob, before sending  $y''_2$  or  $y''_3$  to Alice). This information can atmost reduce the average entropy of  $Y$  given Eve's view by  $\delta$  bits(length of the tag). By the way we set parameters, we will ensure that this average entropy is atleast  $l'$ . Hence Eve can only pass the liveness tests with very low probability.

Similary, consider `Case1a` and  $i = 4$ . Eve's view before answering the first and second liveness test, atmost depends on  $y'_1, x_R$ (barring  $x_{live}, x'_{live}$ ), of which only  $y'_1$  may be dependent on  $x_{live}$ . By average entropy arguments, we will show that the probability of guessing both  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  correctly, given  $y'_1$  is very low. The arguments are similar for  $i = 2, 6$ .

Let the liveness test  $y_j = y''_j$  be indexed by  $j$  where  $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Formally, let  $E_{ind}$  denote information (excluding  $x'_{live}$ ) that Eve sees at the most before answering the  $j$ th liveness test, that is independent of  $x_{live}$ ,  $E_{dep}$  denote information (excluding  $x'_{live}$ ) that Eve sees at the most before answering the  $j$ th liveness test, that might depend on  $x_{live}$ ,  $Q$  denote the substrings of  $Y$ , which we want Eve to be able to guess only with low probability. We now formally see what each of the above random variables are in each of the sub cases written below.

- For  $i = 1, j = 3, E_{ind} \equiv (X_R, Z_R, Y', m), E_{dep} \equiv (T), Q \equiv Y$
- For  $i = 2, j = 1, E_{ind} \equiv \text{Null}, E_{dep} \equiv \text{Null}, Q \equiv Y_1$

- For  $i = 4, j = 2, E_{ind} \equiv X_R, E_{dep} \equiv Y'_1, Q \equiv Y_1, Y_2$
- For  $i = 6, j = 3, E_{ind} \equiv (X_R, Z_R), E_{dep} \equiv Y'_1, Y'_2, Q \equiv Y$

where  $i$  is the index corresponding to the subcase we are in <sup>4</sup> and  $j$  corresponds to the liveness test being answered by Eve. We will show that in each subcase  $i, Q \equiv Y_1, \dots, Y_j$  will have high enough entropy given all the information that Eve sees.

From here on the proof is same for all  $i \in \{1, 2, 4, 6\}$ <sup>5</sup>.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(Q|X_{live}, E_{ind}, X'_{live}, E_{dep}) \quad (5)$$

$$\geq \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(Q|X_{live}, E_{ind}, X'_{live}) - |E_{dep}| \text{ (follows by Lemma 4b)}$$

$$= \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(Q|X_{live}, E_{ind}) - |E_{dep}| \quad (6)$$

$$\geq \min(|Q|, \log \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}) - 1 - |E_{dep}| \text{ (follows by Remark 1)}$$

$$\geq l' - 1 \quad (7)$$

Equation 6 holds because, if **Case1b** happens, then  $X'_{live}$  is independent of  $W, X_{live}$  and if **Case1b** does not happen, then  $X'_{live}$  is a function of  $X_{live}, E_{ind}$ . By the way we set parameters in Section 5.3, the last inequality holds. Let  $A$  denote  $(X_{live}, E_{ind}, X'_{live}, E_{dep})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case1}] &\leq \Pr[Q = f(A)] \\ &= \sum_a \Pr[A = a] \cdot \Pr[Q = f(A)|A = a] \\ &= \sum_a \Pr[A = a] \cdot \max_q \Pr[Q = q|A = a] \\ &= 2^{-\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(Q|A)} \leq 2^{-l'+1} \end{aligned}$$

$f$  is an arbitrary randomized/deterministic function chosen by Eve ( $f(A)$  represents the guess made by Eve for  $Q$ ). The last inequality follows from Inequality 7.

**Claim 2**  $\Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case2}] \leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Sync, Pass}]$

*Proof.* We aim to prove that given **Case2**, Eve only gains as much advantage in winning, as in the synchronous setting. To prove this, we first define the function family  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{Case2}}$ , which captures the modifications made (to the transcript) by Eve given **Case2**. Then, we will prove that for any tampering made by Eve using  $(f_1, \dots, f_8) \in \mathcal{F}_{\text{Case2}}$ , we can capture it by a function in the synchronous setting (post removing the liveness test checks, which can only give more advantage to

<sup>4</sup> Subcase  $i$ : Eve sends  $msg'_i$  to Alice (if  $i \in \{2, 4, 6\}$ ) or  $msg'_1$  to Bob (if  $i = 1$ ) before receiving  $msg_i$ .

<sup>5</sup> For a random variable  $X$  over set  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $|X|$  denotes length of bit representation of an element in  $\mathcal{X}$ . For example, when  $Q \equiv Y_1, |Q| = |Y_1| = l'$

Eve).<sup>6</sup> This would prove that the probability of Eve winning given Case2 is at most the probability of her winning given (Sync, Pass). Here, by slight abuse of notation, we also use Pass to denote that the liveness test checks are removed. Now, we describe inputs and outputs of tampering functions  $(f_1, \dots, f_8)$  from  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{Case2}}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - X'_{live} = f_1(X_{live}) \\
 & - Y''_1 = f_2(X_{live}, Y'_1, Y_2^\perp, Y_3^\perp, m^\perp, T^\perp) \\
 & - X'_R = f_3(X_{live}, Y'_1, X_R^\perp) \\
 & - Y''_2 = f_4(X_{live}, Y'_1, X_R, Y_2', Y_3^\perp, m^\perp, T^\perp) \\
 & - Z'_R = f_5(X_{live}, Y'_1, X_R^\perp, Y_2', Z_R^\perp) \\
 & - Y''_3 = f_6(X_{live}, Y'_1, X_R, Y_2', Z_R, Y_3', m^\perp, T^\perp) \\
 & - L' = f_7(X_{live}, Y'_1, X_R^\perp, Y_2', Z_R^\perp, Y_3', L^\perp) \\
 & - (m', T') = f_8(X_{live}, Y'_1, X_R, Y_2', Z_R, Y_3', L, m^\perp, T^\perp)
 \end{aligned}$$

Here, for a random variable  $A$  we use  $A^\perp$  to represent the random variable which may be just  $A$  or is  $\perp$  if the function does not depend on the corresponding input. Given Case2, we know that Case1<sup>C</sup> has occurred. This means that  $x'_{live}$  is sent by Eve only after she sees  $x_{live}$ . Further, each of  $x'_{live}, x'_R, Z'_R$  are sent by Eve to Bob before she receives the subsequent messages  $x_R, Z_R, L$ , respectively, from Alice. Hence the function description of  $f_1$  is exactly as in the synchronous setting and that of  $f_3, f_5, f_7, f_8$  only differs from their synchronous counterpart in that, these functions may not depend on certain messages in their input (we used  $\perp$  to denote this).

Now, if we assume that Pass occurs and hence remove the liveness test checks in the game, then clearly, it can only increase the advantage of Eve in winning. Hence

$$\Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case2}] \leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case2, Pass}]$$

Two key observations below will complete the proof of this claim:

1. Post the liveness test checks are removed (both in case of asynchronous and synchronous), the functions  $f_2, f_4$  and  $f_6$ , which give modifications of the liveness test responses by Bob, are no longer used in generating the view of Eve. So, given that Pass occurred, the view of Eve in both the asynchronous and synchronous world does not depend on the functions  $f_2, f_4$  and  $f_6$ .

<sup>6</sup> As Eve is information theoretic, we can assume that Eve gives the functions she is going to use for modifications a priori

2. The current descriptions of  $f_3, f_5, f_7, f_8$  in  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{Case2}}$  can be captured by defining functions  $f'_3, f'_5, f'_7, f'_8$  (whose domains do not include  $\perp$ ) such that if a certain input for  $f_i$  is  $\perp$ , replace it with a dummy string and use  $f'_i$  to get the modification. If all inputs of  $f_i$  are  $\neq \perp$ ,  $f'_i$  is same as  $f_i$ . The function descriptions of  $f'_3, f'_5, f'_7, f'_8$  are as in the synchronous setting.

Observations 1. and 2. above show that post removing the liveness test checks, i.e., assuming **Pass** occurred, the function descriptions of  $f_1, f_3, f_5, f_7, f_8$  can be captured by function descriptions in the synchronous setting. Hence, it follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case2}] &\leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Case2, Pass}] \\ &\leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Sync, Pass}] \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Combining the above claims 1 and 2 in Equation 4, we get:

$$\Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Async}] \leq \Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Sync, Pass}] + 2^{-l'+1}$$

**Lemma 7.**  $\Pr[\text{Eve wins}|\text{Sync, Pass}] \leq 2^{-\lambda} + 2\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 + \epsilon_4$

*Proof.* Let us define the random variable corresponding to the view of Eve conditioned on the event **Sync** happening. We introduce the following notations for that.

- Let  $m$  denote the message being authenticated by Bob through  $\pi^{\text{AUTH}}$ .
- As Eve is information theoretic adversary, we assume that she chooses the tampering functions of each round apriori. We denote these functions with the literals  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7, f_8$ .

$\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m:$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <math>w \leftarrow W</math></li> <li>– <math>x_{\text{live}} \in_R \{0, 1\}^d,</math> <math>k \in_R \{0, 1\}^d, x_R \in_R \{0, 1\}^d</math></li> <li>– <math>x'_{\text{live}} = f_1(x_{\text{live}})</math></li> <li>– <math>y_1    y_2    y_3 = y_{\text{live}} = \text{Ext}'(w; x_{\text{live}})</math></li> <li>– <math>y'_1    y'_2    y'_3 = y'_{\text{live}} = \text{Ext}'(w; x'_{\text{live}})</math></li> <li>– <math>x'_R = f_3(x_{\text{live}}, y'_1, x_R)</math></li> <li>– <math>y_R = \text{Ext}(w; x_R)</math></li> <li>– <math>(L, R) \leftarrow \text{Enc}(k)</math></li> <li>– <math>z_R = y_R \oplus R</math></li> <li>– <math>z'_R = f_5(x_{\text{live}}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R)</math></li> <li>– <math>y'_R = \text{Ext}(w; x'_R)</math></li> <li>– <math>R' = z'_R \oplus y'_R</math></li> <li>– <math>L' = f_7(x_{\text{live}}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L)</math></li> <li>– <math>k' = \text{Dec}(L', R')</math></li> <li>– <math>t = \text{Tag}_{k'}(m)</math></li> <li>– <math>(m', t') =</math> <math>f_8(x_{\text{live}}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L, m, t)</math></li> <li>– Output <math>x_{\text{live}}, y'_{\text{live}}, x_R, z_R, L, m, t</math></li> </ul>
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The random variable  $View0_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  is defined as

$$View0_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m \equiv (X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R, L, m, T)$$

where the capital letters on the right denote the distributions corresponding to the respective small letters (as described in the figure above). Then, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr[\text{Eve wins} | \text{Sync, Pass}] \\ &= \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View0_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m) \wedge m' \neq m \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where the probability is over the randomness used to generate  $View0_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$ , namely  $W, X_{live}, K, X_R$  and the randomness used in  $\text{Enc}$ . To bound this probability, we use a hybrid argument. We now define the views of  $\text{Eve}$  in the subsequent hybrids. Then, we prove that the success probability of  $\text{Eve}$  given  $View0_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  (Equation 9) is upper bounded by its success probability given the final view  $View4_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  upto a small error.

$View1_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$ :	$View2_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$ :
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <math>w \leftarrow W</math></li> <li>- <math>x_{live} \in_R \{0, 1\}^d</math>,</li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>k \in_R \{0, 1\}^d, x_R \in_R \{0, 1\}^d</math></li> <li>- <math>x'_{live} = f_1(x_{live})</math></li> <li>- <math>y_1    y_2    y_3 = y_{live} = \text{Ext}'(w; x_{live})</math></li> <li>- <math>y'_1    y'_2    y'_3 = y'_{live} = \text{Ext}'(w; x'_{live})</math></li> <li>- <math>\tilde{w} \leftarrow \tilde{W}</math></li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>\tilde{W}</math> is the conditional source,</li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><math>\tilde{W} := W   (\text{Ext}'(W; x_{live}) = y_{live},</math></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><math>\text{Ext}'(W; x'_{live}) = y'_{live})</math></li> <li>- <math>x'_R = f_3(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R)</math></li> <li>- <math>y_R = \text{Ext}(\tilde{w}; x_R)</math></li> <li>- <math>(L, R) \leftarrow \text{Enc}(k)</math></li> <li>- <math>z_R = y_R \oplus R</math></li> <li>- <math>z'_R = f_5(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R)</math></li> <li>- <math>y'_R = \text{Ext}(\tilde{w}; x'_R)</math></li> <li>- <math>R' = z'_R \oplus y'_R</math></li> <li>- <math>L' = f_7(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L)</math></li> <li>- <math>k' = \text{Dec}(L', R')</math></li> <li>- <math>t = \text{Tag}_{k'}(m)</math></li> <li> </li> <li>- <math>(m', t') =</math></li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>f_8(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L, m, t)</math></li> <li>- Output <math>x_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R, L, m, t</math></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <math>w \leftarrow W</math></li> <li>- <math>x_{live} \in_R \{0, 1\}^d, z_R \in_R \{0, 1\}^l</math>,</li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>k \in_R \{0, 1\}^d, x_R \in_R \{0, 1\}^d</math></li> <li>- <math>x'_{live} = f_1(x_{live})</math></li> <li>- <math>y_1    y_2    y_3 = y_{live} = \text{Ext}'(w; x_{live})</math></li> <li>- <math>y'_1    y'_2    y'_3 = y'_{live} = \text{Ext}'(w; x'_{live})</math></li> <li>- <math>x'_R = f_3(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R)</math></li> <li>- <math>(L, R) \leftarrow \text{Enc}(k)</math></li> <li>- <math>y_R = z_R \oplus R</math></li> <li>- <math>z'_R = f_5(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R)</math></li> <li>- If <math>\nexists \tilde{w} \in \text{Support}(\tilde{W})</math> such that</li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>\text{Ext}(\tilde{W}; x_R) = y_R</math>, then set <math>\tilde{w} =</math></li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>\perp</math> and Output <math>\perp</math></li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;">else <math>\tilde{w} \leftarrow \tilde{W}   (\text{Ext}(\tilde{W}; x_R) = y_R)</math></li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>\tilde{W}</math> is the conditional source,</li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><math>\tilde{W} := W   (\text{Ext}'(W; x_{live}) = y_{live},</math></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><math>\text{Ext}'(W; x'_{live}) = y'_{live})</math></li> <li>- <math>y'_R = \text{Ext}(\tilde{w}; x'_R)</math></li> <li>- <math>R' = z'_R \oplus y'_R</math></li> <li>- <math>L' = f_7(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L)</math></li> <li>- <math>k' = \text{Dec}(L', R')</math></li> <li>- <math>t = \text{Tag}_{k'}(m)</math></li> <li>- <math>(m', t') =</math></li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>f_8(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L, m, t)</math></li> <li>- Output <math>x_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R, L, m, t</math></li> </ul>

<u><math>View3_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m</math></u> :	<u><math>View4_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m</math></u> :
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <math>w \leftarrow W</math></li> <li>– <math>x_{live} \in_R \{0, 1\}^d, z_R \in_R \{0, 1\}^l,</math> <math>k \in_R \{0, 1\}^d, x_R \in_R \{0, 1\}^d</math></li> <li>– <math>x'_{live} = f_1(x_{live})</math></li> <li>– <math>y_1    y_2    y_3 = y_{live} = \text{Ext}'(w; x_{live})</math></li> <li>– <math>y'_1    y'_2    y'_3 = y'_{live} = \text{Ext}'(w; x'_{live})</math></li> <li>– <math>L, k' \leftarrow \text{Tamper}_{f,g}^k</math> * <math>f, g</math> will be hardwired with <math>x_{live}, y_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R</math></li> <li>– <math>t = \text{Tag}_{k'}(m)</math></li> <li>– <math>(m', t') =</math> <math>f_s(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L, m, t)</math></li> <li>– Output <math>x_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R, L, m, t</math></li> </ul> <p>* <math>f, g</math> are described in Claim 5</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <math>w \leftarrow W</math></li> <li>– <math>x_{live} \in_R \{0, 1\}^d, z_R \in_R \{0, 1\}^l,</math> <math>k \in_R \{0, 1\}^d, x_R \in_R \{0, 1\}^d</math></li> <li>– <math>x'_{live} = f_1(x_{live})</math></li> <li>– <math>y_1    y_2    y_3 = y_{live} = \text{Ext}'(w; x_{live})</math></li> <li>– <math>y'_1    y'_2    y'_3 = y'_{live} = \text{Ext}'(w; x'_{live})</math></li> <li>– <math>L, k' = \text{Copy}(k, \text{Sim}_{f,g})</math> * <math>f, g</math> will be hardwired with <math>x_{live}, y_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R</math></li> <li>– <math>t = \text{Tag}_{k'}(m)</math></li> <li>– <math>(m', t') =</math> <math>f_s(x_{live}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L, m, t)</math></li> <li>– Output <math>x_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R, L, m, t</math></li> </ul> <p>* <math>f, g</math> are described in Claim 5</p>

We define the random variables corresponding to the views described above as follows<sup>7</sup>.

$$\begin{aligned}
- View1_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m &\equiv (X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^1, L, m, T^1) \\
- View2_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m &\equiv (X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^2, L, m, T^2) \\
- View3_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m &\equiv (X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L, m, T^3) \\
- View4_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m &\equiv (X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, m, T^4)
\end{aligned}$$

In the above description, we superscript a random variable with the corresponding view number  $i$ , wherever there is a change in distribution from the previous view.

We consider the following claims to complete the hybrid argument and then bound the success probability of Eve given the final view ( $View4_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$ ) to complete the proof.

**Moving from  $View0_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  to  $View1_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$ :** In the first hybrid, we wish to analyze Eve's success probability, given an identical view, where we use a conditional source  $\tilde{W} = W | (\text{Ext}'(W; x_{live}) = y_{live}, \text{Ext}'(W; x'_{live}) = y'_{live})$  (post drawing the liveness test responses and seed from the same distribution as in  $View0_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  and then fixing them) for further extractions. The use of a different sample of  $w$  for the liveness test is crucial and the reason for doing this becomes clear when we move to  $View3_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$ . We show how the two views are identical and then show why Eve's success probability remains the same.

### Claim 3

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View0_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \\
&= \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View1_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1]
\end{aligned}$$

<sup>7</sup> Red colored text in the description of any view signifies the portion that will be changed in the next View. The blue colored text in a view signifies the portion that was different from the previous view.

where the probabilities are taken over the randomness used to generate  $\text{View0}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  and  $\text{View1}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  respectively, i.e.,  $W, X_{\text{live}}, X_R, K$ , the randomness used in  $\text{Enc}$  and  $W, \tilde{W}, X_{\text{live}}, X_R, K$ , the randomness used in  $\text{Enc}$  respectively.

*Proof.* Taking  $A = W$ ,  $B = X_{\text{live}}$  and  $C = (Y_{\text{live}} = \text{Ext}'(W; X_{\text{live}}), Y'_{\text{live}} = \text{Ext}'(W; X'_{\text{live}})) = f(A, B)$  in Lemma 5, we get:

$$W, X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}} \equiv \tilde{W}, X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}$$

where  $\tilde{W} \equiv W | \text{Ext}'(W; X_{\text{live}}) = Y_{\text{live}}, \text{Ext}'(W; X'_{\text{live}}) = Y'_{\text{live}}$ . Further, as  $K$  and  $X_R$  is independent of the random variables above, we get:

$$K, X_R, W, X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}} \equiv K, X_R, \tilde{W}, X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}$$

The randomness used in  $\text{Enc}$  is independent of the random variables above. Hence,  $Z_R, L$  and  $T$  can be obtained as functions of the above random variables (and the randomness used in  $\text{Enc}$ ). Then, by using Lemma 3, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} K, X_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}, X_R, Z_R, L, m, T &\equiv K, X_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}, X_R, Z_R^1, L, m, T^1 \\ K, \text{View0}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m &\equiv K, \text{View1}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m \end{aligned}$$

Again as Eve's output and the verification check are a function of the above random variables, by use of Lemma 3, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View0}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_k(m', t') = 1] \\ = \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View1}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_k(m', t') = 1] \end{aligned}$$

**Moving from  $\text{View1}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  to  $\text{View2}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$ :** We replace  $Z_R$  with  $U$  and then sample the source consistently (upto some error) in  $\text{View2}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$ . This reverse sampling of the source becomes a little complicated as it has to be not only consistent with the  $z_R$  sampled but also has to be consistent with the liveness test responses. This is why we would consistently reverse sample from the conditional source  $\tilde{W}$  here. Now, showing that Eve's success probability in  $\text{View1}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  is at most her success probability in this view (upto some error) captures that  $R$  remains hidden from Eve.

**Claim 4** *If  $\text{Ext}$  is an  $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon_2)$ - average case extractor, then*

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View1}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \\ \leq \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View2}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] + 2^{-\lambda} + \epsilon_2 \end{aligned}$$

where the probabilities are taken over the randomness used to generate  $\text{View1}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  and  $\text{View2}_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m$  respectively.

*Proof.* In order to use the extractor security, we first need to ensure that  $\tilde{W}$  has "high enough entropy". We define the following good set:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G} = \{(x_{\text{live}}, y_{\text{live}}, y'_{\text{live}}) : \mathbf{H}_\infty(\tilde{W}) = \\ \mathbf{H}_\infty(W | \text{Ext}'(W; x_{\text{live}}) = y_{\text{live}}, \text{Ext}'(W; x'_{\text{live}}) = y'_{\text{live}}) \geq t' - 6l' - \lambda\} \end{aligned}$$

We now define the good event:

$$\text{Good} : (X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}) \in \mathcal{G}$$

Here,  $Y_{live}$  and  $Y'_{live}$  denote the random variables  $Y_{live} = \text{Ext}'(W; X_{live})$  and  $Y'_{live} = \text{Ext}'(W; X'_{live})$ . Let  $\text{Good}^C$  denote its complement event. Consider, by Proposition 1

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{SD}((K, \text{View}1_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m); (K, \text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m)) \\ & \leq \mathbf{SD}_{\text{Good}}((K, \text{View}1_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m); (K, \text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m)). \Pr[\text{Good}] \\ & \quad + \mathbf{SD}_{\text{Good}^C}((K, \text{View}1_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m); (K, \text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m)). \Pr[\text{Good}^C] \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where the subscript notation is used to denote the statistical distance conditioned on the specific event (in the subscript). By Lemma 4, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[\text{Good}^C] &= \Pr[(X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}) \notin \mathcal{G}] \\ &= \Pr_{Y_{live}, Y'_{live}} [\mathbf{H}_\infty(W | Y_{live} = y_{live}, Y'_{live} = y'_{live}) < t' - 6l' - \lambda] \\ &\leq \Pr_{Y_{live}, Y'_{live}} [\mathbf{H}_\infty(W | Y_{live} = y_{live}, Y'_{live} = y'_{live}) < \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_\infty(W | Y_{live}, Y'_{live}) - \lambda] \\ &\leq 2^{-\lambda} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Let  $W_1$  denote the random variable:

- If  $\nexists \tilde{w} \in \text{Support}(\tilde{W})$  such that  $\text{Ext}(\tilde{W}; x_R) = y_R$ , then set  $\tilde{w} = \perp$  and Output  $\perp$
- else  $\tilde{w} \leftarrow \tilde{W} | \text{Ext}(\tilde{W}; x_R) = y_R$

By setting parameters appropriately, we ensure  $\mathbf{H}_\infty(\tilde{W}) \geq t$ , where  $t$  is the min entropy required for using  $\text{Ext}(\cdot)$ . Then, by Lemma 5, we know that

$$\forall (x_{live}, y_{live}, y'_{live}) \in \mathcal{G}, \tilde{W}, X_R, Y_R^1 \approx_{\epsilon_2} W_1, X_R, Y_R^2$$

where the distributions which change in the two views have been superscripted with the corresponding view number. Then, by using Proposition 2, with  $A \equiv ((\tilde{W}, X_R, Y_R^1) | \text{Good})$ ,  $B \equiv ((W_1, X_R, Y_R^2) | \text{Good})$  and  $C \equiv ((X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}) | \text{Good})$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned} X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, \tilde{W}, X_R, Y_R^1 | \text{Good} &\approx_{\epsilon_2} X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, W_1, X_R, Y_R^2 | \text{Good} \\ X_{live}, Y'_{live}, \tilde{W}, X_R, Y_R^1 | \text{Good} &\approx_{\epsilon_2} X_{live}, Y'_{live}, W_1, X_R, Y_R^2 | \text{Good} \end{aligned}$$

Further, as  $K$  is independent of the above random variables, we get:

$$K, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, \tilde{W}, X_R, Y_R^1 | \text{Good} \approx_{\epsilon_2} K, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, W_1, X_R, Y_R^2 | \text{Good}$$

The randomness used in  $\text{Enc}$  is independent of the above random variables. Hence,  $Z_R^1, L$  and  $T^1$  can be obtained as a function of the above random variables (and the randomness used in  $\text{Enc}$ ). Then, by using Lemma 3, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} K, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^1, L, m, T^1 | \text{Good} &\approx_{\epsilon_2} K, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^2, L, m, T^2 | \text{Good} \\ K, \text{View}1_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m | \text{Good} &\approx_{\epsilon_2} K, \text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_s}^m | \text{Good} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Then, by using Equations 11 and 12 in Equation 10, we get:

$$\mathbf{SD}((K, \text{View}1_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m); (K, \text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m)) \leq 2^{-\lambda} + \epsilon_2$$

Finally, by use of Lemma 3, we get the desired bound:

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View}1_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \\ & \leq \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] + 2^{-\lambda} + \epsilon_2 \end{aligned}$$

**Moving from  $\text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m$  to  $\text{View}3_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m$ :** In  $\text{View}3_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m$ , we want to capture the tampering on  $k$  by the tamper random variable of the augmented NMC,  $\text{Tamper}_{f, g}^k$ . To be able to do this, we have to first capture the tampering on  $L$  and  $R$  as a correct split-state tampering by  $(f, g)$ . In order to describe the functions, we would need to hardwire the liveness test seed and responses,  $x_R$  and  $z_R$ . Now, to get the tampering of  $R$ , a  $w$  consistent with the hardwired values has to be sampled. But this sampler might return  $\perp$ . However, as the function  $g$  cannot output  $\perp$ , we replace  $\tilde{w}$  with an arbitrary string, whenever the sampling returns  $\perp$ . We now analyze Eve's success probability in this modified view.

**Claim 5**

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \\ & \leq \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View}3_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] + \epsilon_2 \end{aligned}$$

where the probabilities are taken over the randomness used to generate  $\text{View}2_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m$  and  $\text{View}3_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m$  respectively.

*Proof.* We define the tampering functions  $f, g$  hardwired with  $x_{\text{live}}, y_{\text{live}}, y'_{\text{live}}, x_R, z_R$  as follows.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_{x_{\text{live}}, y_{\text{live}}, y'_{\text{live}}, x_R, z_R}(L): \\ \text{-- Output} \\ L' = f_7(x_{\text{live}}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R, y'_3, L) \end{array} \right| \begin{array}{l} g_{x_{\text{live}}, y_{\text{live}}, y'_{\text{live}}, x_R, z_R}(R): \\ \text{-- } \tilde{w} \leftarrow \tilde{W} | \text{Ext}(\tilde{W}; x_R) = z_R \oplus R \\ \text{-- If } \tilde{w} = \perp, \text{ set } \tilde{w} := 0. \\ \text{-- } y'_R = \text{Ext}(\tilde{w}; f_1(x_R)) \\ \text{-- } z'_R = f_5(x_{\text{live}}, y'_1, x_R, y'_2, z_R) \\ \text{-- Output } R' = z'_R \oplus y'_R \end{array}$$

The function  $g$  is a randomized function here (atypical to tampering function descriptions). But, the randomness required for this sampling can be sampled a priori and hardwired in  $g$ , along with the other values, making it a deterministic function. Hence, while we use the above description of  $g$  for simplicity, it is simple to convert it to a deterministic function. For the sake of simplicity we avoid explicitly writing the hardwired values while referring to the tampering functions.

Let  $W_1$  be the following distribution

- If  $\nexists \tilde{w} \in \text{Support}(\tilde{W})$  such that  $\text{Ext}(\tilde{W}; x_R) = y_R$ , then set  $\tilde{w} = \perp$  and Output  $\perp$
- else  $\tilde{w} \leftarrow \tilde{W} | \text{Ext}(\tilde{W}; x_R) = y_R$

Observe that

$$(\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3 | W_1 \neq \perp) \equiv (\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^2 | W_1 \neq \perp)$$

Hence, as  $K$  is independent of the event  $W_1 \neq \perp$ ,  $((K, \text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3) | W_1 \neq \perp) \equiv (K, (\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3 | W_1 \neq \perp)) \equiv (K, (\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^2 | W_1 \neq \perp)) \equiv ((K, \text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^2) | W_1 \neq \perp)$ . Hence, Proposition 1, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{SD}((K, \text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^2); (K, \text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3)) \\ & \leq \mathbf{SD}((K, \text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^2); (K, \text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3) | W_1 \neq \perp) + \Pr[W_1 = \perp] \\ & = 0 + \Pr[W_1 = \perp] \\ & \leq \epsilon_2 \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality follows from Lemma 5 where  $W^{res}$  is  $W_1$ .

**Moving from  $\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3$  to  $\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^4$ :** To use MAC security, it is crucial that we argue the non-malleability of the MAC key. For this, we use the non-malleability of (Enc, Dec). To do this, we observe that tampering functions  $f, g$  are indeed split-state, as the hardwired values  $(x_{live}, y_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R)$  are independent of the two states  $L$  and  $R$ .<sup>8</sup> Then we analyze Eve's success probability in this modified view.

**Claim 6** *If (Enc, Dec) is an  $\epsilon_3$ -augmented non-malleable code, then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \\ & \leq \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^4) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] + \epsilon_3 \end{aligned}$$

where the probabilities are taken over the randomness used to generate  $\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3$  and  $\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^4$  respectively.

*Proof.* As already mentioned the tampering functions are split-state. Hence, by the security of (Enc, Dec) we have

$$\forall (x_{live}, y_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R), \quad \forall k, \quad \text{Tamper}_{f,g}^k \approx_{\epsilon_3} \text{Copy}(k, \text{Sim}_{f,g})$$

where the message to be encoded is  $k$  and the split-state tampering functions are hardwired with  $(x_{live}, y_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R)$ . Hence, by Proposition 2 with  $A, B, C$  being  $\text{Tamper}_{f,g}^K, \text{Copy}(K, \text{Sim}_{f,g}), (K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3)$  respectively, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, \text{Tamper}_{f,g}^K \\ & \approx_{\epsilon_3} K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, \text{Copy}(K, \text{Sim}_{f,g}) \end{aligned}$$

<sup>8</sup> As mentioned while describing  $g$  in  $\text{View}_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^3$ , although the given description of  $g$  is randomized, but by fixing the randomness it can be made deterministic.

For clarity, we denote the random variables  $(L, K', T)$  of  $View3$  and  $View4$  by  $(L, K'^3, T^3)$  and  $(L^4, K'^4, T^4)$  respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L, K'^3 &\approx_{\epsilon_3} K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, K'^4 \\ K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L, m, T^3 &\approx_{\epsilon_3} K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, m, T^4 \\ K, View3_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m &\approx_{\epsilon_3} K, View4_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m \end{aligned}$$

Above implications follow from Lemma 3. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} &\Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View3_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \\ &\leq \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View4_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] + \epsilon_3 \end{aligned}$$

We now combine the above claims with MAC security and show how to get the desired bound on Eve's success probability in the synchronous case.

**Claim 7** *If  $(\text{Tag}, \text{Vrfy})$  is an  $\epsilon_4$ - one time MAC (the auxiliary information variant defined in Section 3) then*

$$\Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View0_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \leq 2^{-\lambda} + 2\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 + \epsilon_4$$

where the probability is taken over the randomness used to generate  $View0_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m$  respectively.

*Proof.* Combining Claims 3,4,5,6 we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View0_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \\ &\leq \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View4_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] + 2^{-\lambda} + 2\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

We now consider the following events with respect to  $View4_{f_1, \dots, f_8}^m$ .

Case1:  $Sim_{f,g}$  does not output *same*\*

$$\begin{aligned} K &\equiv U_\tau \\ K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, Sim_{f,g} | Case1 &\equiv U_\tau, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, Sim_{f,g} | Case1 \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} K, m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, K'^4 &\equiv U_\tau, m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, K'^4 \\ K, m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, \text{Tag}_{K'^4}(m) &\equiv U_\tau, m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, \text{Tag}_{K'^4}(m) \end{aligned}$$

Implication 14 follows from Proposition 5 with  $A, B, C, E$  being  $K, (X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, Sim_{f,g}), U_\tau, Case1$  respectively. Therefore, given  $Case1$ , Eve's view is  $View4^m | Case1 \equiv (m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, \text{Tag}_{K'^4}(m))$  is independent of MAC key  $K$ . This is because the randomness used to generate  $View4^m | Case1$ , which is  $X_{live}, X_R, W, \tilde{W}$ , the randomness used in  $Sim_{f,g}$ , are all independent of  $K$ . Then, as  $E \equiv View4^m | Case1$  is independent of  $K$ , by the MAC security we get:

$$\begin{aligned} &\Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View4^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1 | Case1] \\ &= \Pr_k[\text{Tag}_k(m') = t' \wedge (m \neq m') | E = (m, x_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R, L, \text{Tag}_k(m))] \\ &\leq \epsilon_4 \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Case2:  $Sim_{f,g}$  outputs *same*\*

$$K \equiv U_\tau$$

$$K, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, Sim_{f,g} | Case2 \equiv U_\tau, X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, Sim_{f,g} | Case2 \quad (16)$$

$$K, m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4 | Case2 \equiv U_\tau, m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4 | Case2$$

Implication 16 follows from Proposition 5 with  $A, B, C, E$  being  $K, (X_{live}, Y_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, Sim_{f,g}), U_\tau, Case2$  respectively. Therefore, given Case2, Eve's view is  $View4^m | Case2 \equiv (m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4, \text{Tag}_K(m))$ . The only information Eve has regarding  $K$  is  $\text{Tag}_K(m)$ . Then, as  $E \equiv (m, X_{live}, Y'_{live}, X_R, Z_R^3, L^4) | Case2$  is independent of  $K$ , by MAC security we get:

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View4^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1 | Case2] \\ &= \Pr[\text{Tag}_k(m') = t' \wedge (m' \neq m) | \text{Tag}_k(m) = t, E = (m, x_{live}, y'_{live}, x_R, z_R, L)] \\ &= \Pr[\text{Tag}_k(m') = t' \wedge (m' \neq m) | \text{Tag}_k(m) = t] \\ &\leq \epsilon_4 \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Combining inequalities 15,17 with the inequality 13 gives

$$\Pr[(m', t') \leftarrow \text{Eve}(View0^m) \wedge m \neq m' \wedge \text{Vrfy}_K(m', t') = 1] \leq 2^{-\lambda} + 2\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 + \epsilon_4$$

Using Claim 7 and Equation 9, we get:

$$\Pr[\text{Eve wins} | \text{Sync, Pass}] \leq 2^{-\lambda} + 2\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 + \epsilon_4$$

Hence, Lemma 7 is proved.

Now, combining Lemmata 6 and 7, Equation 3 gives:

$$\Pr[\text{Eve wins}] \leq 2 \cdot (2^{-l'} + 2^{-\lambda} + 2\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 + \epsilon_4)$$

We set  $\kappa$  such that  $2^{-\kappa} = 2 \cdot (2^{-l'} + 2^{-\lambda} + 2\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 + \epsilon_4)$ . Thus robustness of message authentication protocol is proved.

## 5.2 Proof of Theorem 2

We now prove that  $\pi^{\text{PA}}$  is a Privacy Amplification protocol.

**Correctness** The correctness of  $\pi^{\text{PA}}$  follows by the correctness of  $\pi^{\text{AUTH}}$ .

**Robustness:** We need to show

$$\Pr[K_A \neq K_B \wedge K_A \neq \perp \wedge K_B \neq \perp] \leq 2^{-\kappa}$$

$$\Pr[K_A \neq K_B \wedge K_A \neq \perp \wedge K_B \neq \perp]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \Pr[M_A \neq M_B \wedge M_A \neq \perp \wedge M_B \neq \perp] \cdot \Pr[K_A \neq K_B | M_A \neq M_B \wedge M_A \neq \perp \wedge M_B \neq \perp] \\ &\leq 2^{-\kappa} \text{ (by robustness of } \pi^{\text{AUTH}}) \end{aligned}$$

**Extraction:**  $Sent_a, Sent_b$  denote the messages sent by Alice and Bob upon execution of  $\pi^{\text{PA}}$  in presence of Eve, the pair  $Sent = (Sent_a, Sent_b)$  contains an active Eve's view of the protocol. For extraction we need to show



- If  $K_B \neq \perp$ , then  $K_B, \text{Sent} \approx_{\epsilon_5} U_{l''}, \text{Sent}$
- If  $K_A \neq \perp$ , then  $K_A, \text{Sent} \approx_{\epsilon_5} U_{l''}, \text{Sent}$

If  $K_B \neq \perp$ ,  $K_B$  is the extractor output on an independent uniform seed  $M_B \neq \perp$ . As  $M_B$  is independent of  $X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}, X_R, Z_R, L, K, K'$ , by the use of average case extractors we have,

$$\begin{aligned} K_B, M_B, X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}, X_R, Z_R, L, K, K' &\approx_{\epsilon_5} U_{l''}, M_B, X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}, X_R, Z_R, L, K, K' \\ K_B, M_B, X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}, X_R, Z_R, L, K, K', T &\approx_{\epsilon_5} U_{l''}, M_B, X_{\text{live}}, Y_{\text{live}}, Y'_{\text{live}}, X_R, Z_R, L, K, K', T \\ K_B, \text{Sent} &\approx_{\epsilon_5} U_{l''}, \text{Sent} \end{aligned}$$

$$K_A \neq \perp \Rightarrow M_A \neq \perp \wedge M_B \neq \perp.$$

We can write,  $\mathbf{SD}((K_A, \text{Sent}); (U_{l''}, \text{Sent}))$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \Pr[M_A = M_B \wedge M_A \neq \perp \wedge M_B \neq \perp] \mathbf{SD}_{M_A=M_B}((K_A, \text{Sent}); (U_{l''}, \text{Sent})) \\ &\quad + \Pr[M_A \neq M_B \wedge M_A \neq \perp \wedge M_B \neq \perp] \mathbf{SD}_{M_A \neq M_B}((K_A, \text{Sent}); (U_{l''}, \text{Sent})) \\ &\leq \mathbf{SD}((K_B, \text{Sent}); (U_{l''}, \text{Sent})) + \Pr[M_A \neq M_B \wedge M_A \neq \perp \wedge M_B \neq \perp] \\ &\leq \epsilon_5 + 2^{-\kappa} \end{aligned}$$

### 5.3 Analysis of Entropy Loss and Other Parameters

To get desired parameters as in Theorem 2, we use optimal constructions of building blocks given in following theorems.

**Lemma 20.** [GUV07] *For every constant  $\nu > 0$  all integers  $n \geq t$  and all  $\epsilon \geq 0$ , there is an explicit (efficient)  $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon)$ -strong extractor with  $l = (1 - \nu)t - \mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \log(\frac{1}{\epsilon}))$  and  $d = \mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \log(\frac{1}{\epsilon}))$ .*

Now, as we give some auxiliary information about the source, we require the security of the extractor to hold, even given this information. Hence, we use average case extractors, given in the following lemma.

**Lemma 21.** [DORS08] *For any  $\mu > 0$ , if  $\text{Ext}$  is a (worst case) $(n, t, d, l, \epsilon)$ -strong extractor, then  $\text{Ext}$  is also an average-case  $(n, t + \log(\frac{1}{\mu}), d, l, \epsilon + \mu)$  strong extractor.*

Now, we also encode the authentication keys and tags using the underlying non-malleable code. Hence, we require them to have short lengths. This is guaranteed by the following lemma [JKS93]:

**Lemma 22.** *For any  $n', \epsilon_2 > 0$  there is an efficient  $\epsilon_2$ -secure one time MAC with  $\delta \leq (\log(n') + \log(\frac{1}{\epsilon_2}))$ ,  $\tau \leq 2\delta$ , where  $\tau, n', \delta$  are key, message, tag length respectively.*

We now set the parameters:

- For the MAC, we set:
  - $\epsilon_4 = 2^{-\lambda}$
  - Tag length:  $\delta = c_0\lambda$ , for some  $2 > c_0 > 1$
  - Key length:  $\tau = 2\delta = 2c_0\lambda$
  - Message length:  $d$ , will be set below.
- For the liveness test Extractor, we set:

- $\epsilon_1 = 2^{-4\lambda}$
  - Seed length:  $d = \mathcal{O}(\log n + 4\lambda)$
  - output length:  $3l' = 3\lambda$
- Now, we calculate the entropy loss:
- From the transcript of the protocol, the entropy loss that occurs is:  $3l' + l + \delta = 3l' + l + \mathcal{O}(\lambda)$
  - Additional leakage results in a loss:  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda) + 3l'$
  - Hence, we require  $\mathbf{H}_\infty(W) - (6l' + l + \mathcal{O}(\lambda)) \geq \max\{t, t', t''\}$
  - Then, by setting  $\epsilon_5 = 2^{-\lambda}, \mu = 2^{-\lambda}$ , we know  $l'' = (1 - \mu)l'' - \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda)$ , we get a total entropy loss  $= 6l' + l + \mathcal{O}(\lambda) + \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda) = \mathcal{O}(\lambda) + l + \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda) = l + \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda)$

To finally evaluate the entropy loss, we set parameters for the NMC:

2A: If we consider a constant rate optimal error NMC, we set:

- We know message length:  $\tau = c_0\lambda$
- $\epsilon_3 = 2^{-\Omega(\lambda)}$
- Codeword length:  $2l = \mathcal{O}(\lambda)$

Then entropy loss  $= (l + \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda)) = \mathcal{O}(\lambda) + \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda) = \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda)$

2B: If we instantiate our construction using the NMC [Li17], we set:

- We know message length:  $\tau = c_0\lambda$
- $\epsilon_3 = 2^{-\Omega(\lambda)}$
- Codeword length:  $2l = \mathcal{O}(\lambda \log \lambda)$

Then entropy loss  $= (l + \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda)) = \mathcal{O}(\lambda \log \lambda) + \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda) = \mathcal{O}(\log n + \lambda \log \lambda)$

- Finally, as we set  $2^{-\kappa} = 2 \cdot (2^{-l'} + 2^{-\lambda} + 2\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 + \epsilon_4)$ . By setting  $\epsilon_2 = 2^{-\lambda}$ , in both 2A and 2B, we get  $2^{-\kappa} = 2^{-\Omega(\lambda)}$ . We set,  $\kappa = \Theta(\lambda)$ .
- The error in Extraction property of  $\pi^{\text{PA}} = \epsilon_5 + 2^{-\kappa} = 2^{-\lambda} + 2^{-\kappa} = 2^{-\kappa+1}$

## 6 Privacy Amplification from Augmented-NMREs

As mentioned in the introduction, we can get the same parameters from our protocol if we replace the use of NMCs by Augmented-NMREs.

**Theorem 3** *If  $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  in  $\pi^{\text{AUTH}}$  is a two-state, constant rate augmented non-malleable randomness encoder with optimal error  $2^{-\Omega(\kappa)}$ , then the 8-round protocol  $\pi^{\text{PA}}$  in Figure 1 is a  $(t', l'', \kappa, \kappa - 1)$ -secure privacy amplification protocol with optimal entropy loss  $\mathcal{O}(\log(n) + \kappa)$  with min-entropy requirement  $\Omega(\log(n) + \kappa)$ .*

*Proof.* The only modification made in this protocol is that instead of picking the MAC key  $k$  uniformly at random and then encoding it using NMCs, we use the key  $k$  and its encoding output by the NMRE. As augmented-NMREs guarantee the  $K$  looks uniform even given  $L$  and the modified key  $K'$ , the proof structure of this theorem follows on the same lines as the security proof in Sections 5.1 and 5.2.

## 7 Conclusion

In this work, we establish the first concrete connection between non-malleable codes and privacy amplification. Further, we provide a framework for obtaining optimal parameters for the privacy amplification protocol from non-malleable codes with appropriate parameters. The novelty in our result is that it gives the first known application (in the information theoretic setting) of NMCs in the restricted split-state model to achieve non-malleability in the arbitrary tampering setting of privacy amplification. We believe that this technique might be of independent interest.

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