

---

# CS771 Group Project

---

## Team 405Found

### Part 1

Give a detailed mathematical derivation (as given in the lecture slides) how a single linear model can predict the responses of an ML-PUF. Specifically, give an explicit map

$$\tilde{\phi} : \{0, 1\}^8 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{D}}$$

and a corresponding linear model

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{D}}, \quad \tilde{b} \in \mathbb{R}$$

that predicts the responses, i.e., for all CRPs  $\mathbf{c} \in \{0, 1\}^8$ , we have

$$\frac{1 + \text{sign}(\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^\top \tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{c}) + \tilde{b})}{2} = r(\mathbf{c})$$

where  $r(\mathbf{c})$  is the response of the ML-PUF on the challenge  $\mathbf{c}$ . Note that  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}, \tilde{b}$  may depend on the PUF-specific constants such as delays in the multiplexers. However, the map  $\tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{c})$  must depend only on  $\mathbf{c}$  (and perhaps universal constants such as 2,  $\sqrt{2}$ , etc). The map  $\tilde{\phi}$  must not use PUF-specific constants such as delays.

### Solution

The delay outputs of each stage are given by:

$$t_i^u = (1 - C_i)(t_{i-1}^u + p_i) + C_i(t_{i-1}^l + s_i), \quad (1)$$

$$t_i^l = (1 - C_i)(t_{i-1}^l + q_i) + C_i(t_{i-1}^u + r_i), \quad (2)$$

$$T_i^u = (1 - C_i)(T_{i-1}^u + p'_i) + C_i(T_{i-1}^l + s'_i), \quad (3)$$

$$T_i^l = (1 - C_i)(T_{i-1}^l + q'_i) + C_i(T_{i-1}^u + r'_i). \quad (4)$$

In the above equations:

- $t_i$ 's represent the time delays of PUF 1
- $T_i$ 's represent the time delays of PUF 0
- $p_i, q_i, r_i, s_i$  represent the delay parameters of PUF 1
- $p'_i, q'_i, r'_i, s'_i$  represent the delay parameters of PUF 0

We define the difference variables:

$$\Delta_i = t_i^u - T_i^u, \quad \delta_i = t_i^l - T_i^l.$$

Here,  $\Delta_i$  governs response 1, and  $\delta_i$  governs response 0.

$$\Delta_1 = (1 - C_1)(\Delta_0 + p_1 - p'_1) + C_1(\delta_0 + s_1 - s'_1), \quad (5)$$

$$\delta_1 = (1 - C_1)(\delta_0 + q_1 - q'_1) + C_1(\Delta_0 + r_1 - r'_1). \quad (6)$$

$$\Delta_i = (1 - C_i)(\Delta_{i-1} + p_i - p'_i) + C_i(\delta_i + s_i - s'_i), \quad (7)$$

$$\delta_i = (1 - C_i)(\delta_{i-1} + q_i - q'_i) + C_i(\Delta_{i-1} + r_i - r'_i). \quad (8)$$

23 **Modelling sum and difference**

$$D_i = \Delta_i - \delta_i, \quad S_i = \Delta_i + \delta_i. \quad (16)$$

$$D_i = d_i D_{i-1} + d_i(\alpha_i - \beta_i) + (A_i - B_i), \quad (17)$$

$$S_i = d_i(\alpha_i + \beta_i) + (A_i + B_i) + S_{i-1}. \quad (18)$$

$$S_i = \sum_{k=0}^i d_k(\alpha_k + \beta_k) + B'. \quad (19)$$

$$2 \Delta_i = D_i + S_i, \quad 2 \delta_i = S_i - D_i. \quad (20)$$

$$S_7 = W^T X + b = \sum_{i=0}^7 d_i(\alpha_i + \beta_i) + b. \quad (21)$$

$$X = [d_0, d_1, \dots, d_7]^T. \quad (22)$$

$$D_0 = d_0 \alpha'_0 + b_0, \quad (23)$$

$$D_1 = d_1 D_0 + d_1 \alpha'_1 + b_1 = \alpha'_0 d_1 d_0 + (\alpha'_1 + b_0) d_1 + b_1, \quad (24)$$

$$D_7 = (W')^T Y + b'. \quad (25)$$

$$Y = [\prod_{i=0}^7 d_i, \prod_{i=1}^7 d_i, \dots, d_6 d_7, d_7]^T, \\ w_0 = \alpha'_0, \quad w_i = \alpha'_i + b_{i-1}, \quad b' = b_7.$$

24 **Final Formulation**

25 Final response is calculated as XOR of response 1 and 0.

26 We know that XOR of two responses is given as:

$$\text{bit}_i = \frac{1 + \text{sgn}(\Delta_i \delta_i)}{2} \quad (26)$$

$$\Delta_7 \delta_7 = (W^T X + b + (W')^T Y + b')(W^T X + b - (W')^T Y + b'). \quad (27)$$

$$= [W^T X + b]^2 - [(W')^T Y + b']^2. \quad (28)$$

$$= W^T Q + b_1. \quad (29)$$

$$= [W^T X]^2 + 2b(W^T X) + b^2 - [(W')^T Y]^2 - 2b(W')^T Y - b'^2. \quad (30)$$

$$X^T X = \sum_{i \leq j} x_i x_j, \quad (31)$$

$$Y^T Y = \sum_{i \leq j} y_i y_j. \quad (32)$$

$$\phi(X, Y) = \{X, X^T X, Y, Y^T Y\}. \quad (33)$$

$$X = [d_0, d_1, \dots, d_7]^T, \quad (34)$$

$$Y = [\prod_{i=0}^7 d_i, \prod_{i=1}^7 d_i, \dots, d_6 d_7, d_7]^T. \quad (35)$$

28

29 **Part 2**

30 What dimensionality  $\tilde{D}$  does the linear model need to have to predict the response for an  
31 ML-PUF?

32 Give calculations showing how you arrived at that dimensionality. The dimensionality  
33 should be stated clearly and separately in your report, and not be implicit or hidden away  
34 in some calculations.

35 **Answer:**

36 The required dimensionality  $\tilde{D}$  of the feature map for a linear model to predict the response  
37 for an ML-PUF:

$$\boxed{\tilde{D} = 72}$$

38 **Calculations:**

39 We define the feature map:

$$\Phi(x, y) = \{x, x^T x, y, y^T y\}$$

40 Let:

$$x = [d_0, d_1, \dots, d_7]^T \quad (8 \text{ elements})$$

$$y = [\prod_{i=0}^7 d_i, \prod_{i=1}^7 d_i, \prod_{i=2}^7 d_i, \dots, d_6, d_7]^T \quad (8 \text{ elements})$$

41 Now computing the total dimensionality of  $\Phi(x, y)$ :

- 42 • 8 terms from  $x$
- 43 •  $8 \times 8 = 64$  elements in  $x^T x$ , but since it's symmetric, only  $\binom{8}{2} = 28$  unique terms  
44 are needed
- 45 • 8 terms from  $y$
- 46 • 28 terms from  $y^T y$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{D} = 8 + 28 + 8 + 28 = \boxed{72}$$

### Part 3

**Problem:** Suppose we wish to use a kernel SVM to solve the problem instead of creating our own feature map. Thus, we wish to use the original challenges  $c \in \{0, 1\}^8$  as input to a kernel SVM (i.e., without converting challenge bits to  $+1, -1$  or taking cumulative products). What kernel should we use so that we get perfect classification? Justify your answer with calculations and give suggestions for kernel type (RBF, poly, Matern etc.) and kernel parameters (gamma, degree, coef0, etc).

### Solution:

#### Step 1: Understanding the Target Feature Space

From earlier parts of the assignment, we created a 72-dimensional feature vector  $\phi(c)$  from the 8-bit challenge  $c$ . The feature vector included:

- 8 original bits:  $d_0, d_1, \dots, d_7$
- 28 second-order monomials:  $d_i d_j$
- 8 cumulative products:  $y_i = \prod_{j=i}^7 d_j$
- 28 second-order products:  $y_i y_j$

The highest degree term observed is  $y_0^2 = \left(\prod_{j=0}^7 d_j\right)^2$ , which is a monomial of degree 16. However, due to the binary nature of the inputs and redundancy in the cumulative products, most useful features are represented using monomials up to degree 4. Hence, we target a kernel that captures monomials up to degree 4.

#### Step 2: Choosing the Kernel

We consider the **polynomial kernel**:

$$K(x, z) = (\gamma \cdot x^\top z + \text{coef0})^d$$

This kernel implicitly computes all monomials up to degree  $d$  over the input features.

To reproduce the 72-dimensional feature map used previously, including all relevant cumulative and quadratic interaction terms, it suffices to use a kernel that includes monomials up to **degree 4**.

**Why not RBF or Matern?** While RBF and Matern kernels are universal approximators, they do not align naturally with the structure of our handcrafted polynomial features. A polynomial kernel provides a simpler and more interpretable solution in this case.

#### Step 3: Setting Kernel Parameters

- **Degree  $d = 4$ :** Includes all monomials up to degree 4, capturing the necessary interaction terms in the challenge bits.
- **Gamma  $\gamma = 1$ :** Since the inputs  $c \in \{0, 1\}^8$ ,  $c^\top z \in [0, 8]$ . A gamma of 1 keeps the kernel value in a reasonable scale and maintains numerical stability.

- **coef0 = 1:** Ensures that constant and lower-degree terms (linear, quadratic, cubic) are included in the expansion. This yields:

$$(x^\top z + 1)^4 = \sum_{k=0}^4 \binom{4}{k} (x^\top z)^k$$

#### Final Kernel Recommendation

$$K(c_i, c_j) = (c_i^\top c_j + 1)^4$$

where:

- Kernel type: Polynomial
- Degree: 4
- Gamma: 1
- Coef0: 1

**Conclusion:** This kernel captures the required feature interactions from the original challenges and is capable of achieving perfect classification for the PUF model.

96

## 97 Part 4

98 Outline a method which can take a  $64 + 1$ -dimensional linear model corresponding to a  
 99 simple arbiter PUF (unrelated to the ML-PUF in the above parts) and produce 256 non  
 100 negative delays that generate the same linear model. This method should show how the  
 101 model generation process of taking 256 delays and converting them to a  $64+1$ -dimensional  
 102 linear model can be represented as a system of 65 linear equations and then showing how  
 103 to invert this system to recover 256 non-negative delays that generate the same linear  
 104 model. This could be done, for example, by posing it as an (constrained) optimization  
 105 problem or other ways— see hints below

106

## 107 Solution

108 We are given a  $(64 + 1)$ -dimensional linear model corresponding to a simple arbiter PUF.  
 109 The goal is to recover 256 non-negative delays that reproduce the same linear model. The  
 110 linear model weights are defined as:

$$w_0 = \alpha_0, \quad w_i = \alpha_i + \beta_{i-1}$$

111 For  $i = 0$  to  $n - 2$ , the parameters are defined as:

$$\alpha_i = \frac{p_i - q_i + r_i - s_i}{2}, \quad \beta_i = \frac{p_i - q_i - r_i + s_i}{2}$$

112 Assume:

$$\beta_{i-1} = 0, \quad q_i = 0, \quad s_i = 0 \Rightarrow \beta_i = 0 \Rightarrow p_i = r_i$$

113 Substituting back:

$$\alpha_i = \frac{p_i - 0 + p_i - 0}{2} = p_i$$

114 Hence, for  $i \neq n - 1$ ,

$$\boxed{\alpha_i = w_i = p_i = c_i}$$

115 For  $i = n - 1$ , we generalize the relation:

$$\alpha_{n-1} = \frac{p_{n-1} + r_{n-1}}{2}, \quad b = \frac{p_{n-1} - r_{n-1}}{2}$$

116 Solving:

$$p_{n-1} = \alpha_{n-1} + b = w_{n-1} + b, \quad r_{n-1} = \alpha_{n-1} - b = w_{n-1} - b$$

117 To ensure non-negativity of the delay vectors  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{r}$ , we offset the delays:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \max(0, -\min(p_i)) \\ q &= a \\ p &= p + a \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b &= \max(0, -\min(r_i)) \\ s &= b \\ r &= r + b \end{aligned}$$

118 This ensures:

$$p_i, r_i \geq 0, \quad \text{and the linear model } w \text{ remains unchanged.}$$

119

120 **Part 7**

121 Report outcomes of experiments with both the `sklearn.svm.LinearSVC` and `sklearn.linear`  
 122 `model.LogisticRegression` methods when used to learn the linear model for problem 1.1  
 123 (breaking the ML-PUF). In particular, report how various hyperparameters affected train-  
 124 ing time and test accuracy using tables and/or charts. Report these experi ments with  
 125 both `LinearSVC` and `LogisticRegression` methods even if your own submission uses just  
 126 one of these methods or some totally different linear model learning method

127

128 **Solution**129 **Experiment Results Summary**130 **(a) Changing Loss Parameter in LinearSVC**

Loss Function	Training Time	Test Accuracy
Squared hinge	0.24214874520021112	0.9868749999999998
Hinge	0.995615072400032	0.9962500000000001

131 **(b) Changing C in LinearSVC**

C Value	Training Time	Test Accuracy
0.1 (low)	0.18884108040001593	0.9512500000000002
1 (medium)	0.64553845160025958	0.9868749999999998
100 (high)	4.568650690399954	1.0000000000000000

132 **(c) Changing C in Logistic Regression**

C Value	Training Time	Test Accuracy
0.1 (low)	0.7560820826003691	0.9193750000000002
1 (medium)	1.106241112600037	0.9748750000000002
100 (high)	2.4295156336002037	1.0000000000000000

133 **(d) Changing Tolerance in Logistic Regression**

Tolerance	Training Time	Test Accuracy
$10^{-2}$ (high)	0.38940004979995135	0.9193750000000002
$10^{-4}$ (medium)	0.670714160600437	0.9193750000000002
$10^{-6}$ (low)	1.341018523599996	1.0000000000000000



## 134 (e) Changing Tolerance in LinearSVC

Tolerance	Training Time	Test Accuracy
$10^{-2}$ (high)	0.262991986400084	0.9512500000000002
$10^{-4}$ (medium)	0.2854793641998185	0.9868749999999998
$10^{-6}$ (low)	0.32018029679984467	1.0000000000000000

135 **Conclusion**

136 Both `LinearSVC` and `LogisticRegression` effectively model ML-PUF behavior, achieving  
137 perfect accuracy with proper hyperparameter tuning. Increasing the regularization param-  
138 eter `C` and decreasing tolerance improves accuracy, though at the cost of longer training  
139 times. Overall, `LinearSVC` offers slightly faster training with comparable performance,  
140 making it a more efficient choice in practice.

```
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
"""submit.ipynb
```

Automatically generated by Colab.

Original file is located at

[https://colab.research.google.com/drive/12GFyFcgKzX7zVBjrQqNr43fM1ZeJcJA\\_](https://colab.research.google.com/drive/12GFyFcgKzX7zVBjrQqNr43fM1ZeJcJA_)

```
import numpy as np
import sklearn
from scipy.linalg import khatri_rao
from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC
```

```
# You are allowed to import any submodules of sklearn that learn linear models e.g. sklearn.svm
# You are not allowed to use other libraries such as keras, tensorflow etc
# You are not allowed to use any scipy routine other than khatri_rao
```

```
# SUBMIT YOUR CODE AS A SINGLE PYTHON (.PY) FILE INSIDE A ZIP ARCHIVE
# THE NAME OF THE PYTHON FILE MUST BE submit.py
```

```
# DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF THE METHODS my_fit, my_map, my_decode etc BELOW
# THESE WILL BE INVOKED BY THE EVALUATION SCRIPT. CHANGING THESE NAMES WILL CAUSE EVALUATION
```

```
# You may define any new functions, variables, classes here
# For example, functions to calculate next coordinate or step length
```

```
#####
# Non Editable Region Starting #
#####
def my_fit(X_train, y_train):
#####
# Non Editable Region Ending #
#####
```

```
# Use this method to train your models using training CRPs
# X_train has 8 columns containing the challenge bits
# y_train contains the values for responses

# THE RETURNED MODEL SHOULD BE ONE VECTOR AND ONE BIAS TERM
# If you do not wish to use a bias term, set it to 0
Z = my_map(X_train) # (N, D)
y = np.asarray(y_train)
clf = LinearSVC(penalty='l2', C=1, loss='squared_hinge', tol=1e-2, max_iter=1000)
clf.fit(Z, y)
W = clf.coef_.flatten() # shape: (D,)
b = clf.intercept_[0] # scalar

return W, b # Changed w to W to match variable definition
```

```
#####
# Non Editable Region Starting #
#####
def my_map(X):
#####
# Non Editable Region Ending #
#####
```

```
# Use this method to create features.
# It is likely that my_fit will internally call my_map to create features for train points
X = np.asarray(X)
X_bin = 1 - 2 * X # map {0,1} → {+1,-1}
N, k = X.shape
```

```

# Compute phil: cumulative product from end to start
phil = np.cumprod(X_bin[:, ::-1], axis=1)[:, ::-1] # shape: (N, k)
# Precompute upper triangle indices once
i, j = np.triu_indices(8, k=1)
# Compare pairwise products for phil and X
pairwise_phil = phil[:, i] * phil[:, j] # shape: (N, 28)
pairwise_X = X[:, i] * X[:, j]
# Stack all features together
feat = np.concatenate([phil, pairwise_phil, X, pairwise_X], axis=1)

return feat

```

```

#####
# Non Editable Region Starting #
#####
def my_decode(w):
#####
# Non Editable Region Ending #
#####

```

```

# Use this method to invert a PUF linear model to get back delays
# w is a single 65-dim vector (last dimension being the bias term)
# The output should be four 64-dimensional vectors

```

```

# Extract w0 to w64
w = np.array(w)
assert len(w) == 65
# Recover raw p and r (assume p = r = wi)
raw_p = np.zeros(64)
raw_r = np.zeros(64)
raw_p[0] = w[0]
raw_r[0] = w[0]

```

```

for i in range(1, 64):
    # From  $w_i = \alpha_i + \beta_{i-1} = (p_i - r_i)/2 + (p_{i-1} - r_{i-1})/2$ 
    # Assuming  $p_i = r_i$ 
    raw_p[i] = w[i]
    raw_r[i] = w[i]
b = w[64]
raw_p[63] += b
raw_r[63] -= b
# Ensure non-negative delays
a = max(0, -np.min(raw_p))
l = max(0, -np.min(raw_r))
p = raw_p + a
r = raw_r + l
# Construct q and s
q = np.full(64, a)
s = np.full(64, l)

return p, q, r, s

```