

## Claims regarding parallel composition.

Intuitively, let  $M$  be a mechanism that is the parallel composition of  $d$   $(\epsilon, \delta)$ -differentially private sub-mechanisms. By the definition of parallel composition, the input to  $M$  must be partitioned into  $d$  disjoint and independent subsets, each one is the input to a sub-mechanism. If  $X$  and  $X'$  that differ on one element is used as the input to  $M$ , then the difference will affect only one sub-mechanism (all the other mechanisms will see the same input no matter  $X$  or  $X'$  is used). From here, we can easily prove  $M$  is  $(\epsilon, \delta)$ -differentially private.

- **Theorem** Let  $M_i$  each provide  $(\epsilon, \delta)$ -differential privacy. Let  $D_i$  be arbitrary disjoint subsets of the input domain  $D$ . For any input dataset  $X$ , the sequence of  $M_i(X \cap D_i)$  provides  $(\epsilon, \delta)$ -differential privacy.
- **Proof.** Let  $X, X'$  be neighboring datasets. Suppose that they are both divided into  $d$  subsets of disjoint data, where  $X_i = X \cap D_i$  and  $X'_i = X' \cap D_i$ . Without loss of generality,  $X$  and  $X'$  are only different between  $X_1$  and  $X'_1$  for one element. For any  $r_1 \subseteq \text{Range}(M_1)$ , We have:

$$\Pr[M_1(X_1) \in r_1] \leq e^\epsilon \Pr[M_1(X'_1) \in r_1] + \delta.$$

For any  $r \subseteq \text{Range}(M)$  and  $r_i \subseteq \text{Range}(M_i)$ , where  $M$  is the sequence of  $M_i$ , the probability of output from the sequence of  $M(X)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[M(X) \in r] &= \prod_{i=1}^d \Pr[M_i(X_i) \in r_i] \\ &= \prod_{i=2}^d \Pr[M_i(X_i) \in r_i] \Pr[M_1(X_1) \in r_1] \\ &\leq \prod_{i=2}^d \Pr[M_i(X_i) \in r_i] (e^\epsilon \Pr[M_1(X'_1) \in r_1] + \delta) \\ &= e^\epsilon \Pr[M_1(X'_1) \in r_1] \prod_{i=2}^d \Pr[M_i(X_i) \in r_i] + \delta \prod_{i=2}^d \Pr[M_i(X_i) \in r_i] \\ &\leq e^\epsilon \Pr[M(X') \in r] + \delta, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.