# fn make\_scalar\_integer\_laplace\_cks20

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This proof resides in "contrib" because it has not completed the vetting process.

Proves soundness of make\_scalar\_integer\_laplace\_cks20 in mod.rs at commit f5bb719 (outdated $^1$ ). The function on the resulting measurement takes in a data set x (a single integer), and returns a sample from the Discrete Laplace Distribution centered at x, with a fixed noise scale.

### PR History

• Pull Request #490

## 1 Hoare Triple

#### Preconditions

- Variable input\_domain, of type AtomDomain<T>
- Variable input\_metric, of type AbsoluteDistance<T>
- Variable scale, of type QO
- Type T must have trait Integer and support saturating cast from IBig (for postprocessing a noisy big integer back to T)
- Type QO must have trait Float and support casting with controlled rounding from T (for converting  $d_{in}$  to type QO)
- Type IBig must be constructable from T (to convert the data into a big integer)
- Type RBig must be fallibly constructable from QO (to convert scale into a rational)

#### Pseudocode

```
def make_scalar_integer_laplace_cks20(input_domain, input_metric, scale: Q0):
    if scale.is_sign_negative():
        raise ValueError("scale must not be negative")

# conversion to rational will fail if scale is null
r_scale = RBig.try_from(scale)

if scale.is_zero():
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See new changes with git diff f5bb719.. rust/src/measurements/laplace/integer/cks20/mod.rs

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def function(x: T):
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               return x
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      else:
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          def function(x: T):
               release = IBig(x) + sample_discrete_laplace(r_scale)
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               # postprocessing
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               return T.saturating_cast(release)
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      return Measurement (
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           input_domain,
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           function,
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           input_metric,
           MaxDivergence(QO),
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           privacy_map=laplace_map(scale, relaxation=0.)
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#### Postcondition

For every setting of the input parameters (input\_domain, input\_metric, scale, T, QO) to make\_scalar\_integer\_laplace\_cks20 such that the given preconditions hold, make\_scalar\_integer\_laplace\_cks20 raises an exception (at compile time or run time) or returns a valid measurement. A valid measurement has the following property:

1. (Privacy guarantee). For every pair of elements x, x' in input\_domain and for every pair (d\_in,d\_out), where d\_in has the associated type for input\_metric and d\_out has the associated type for output\_measure, if x, x' are d\_in-close under input\_metric, privacy\_map(d\_in) does not raise an exception, and privacy\_map(d\_in)  $\leq$  d\_out, then function(x), function(x') are d\_out-close under output\_measure.

#### 2 Proof

*Proof.* (Privacy guarantee.)

The proof assumes the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1. sample\_integer\_laplace and laplace\_map each satisfy their postcondition.

sample\_integer\_laplace can only fail due to lack of system entropy. This is usually related to the computer's physical environment and not the dataset. The rest of this proof is conditioned on the assumption that this function does not raise an exception.

Let x and x' be datasets that are d\_in-close with respect to input\_metric. Here, the metric is AbsoluteDistance<T>.

By the postcondition of sample\_integer\_laplace, the output of the function follows the Discrete Laplace Distribution with scale scale.

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{x \sim x'} D_{\infty}(M(x), M(x')) \\ & = \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{z \in supp(M(\cdot))} \ln \left( \frac{\Pr\left[M(x) = z\right]}{\Pr\left[M(x') = z\right]} \right) & \text{substitute } D_{\infty} \\ & = \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} \ln \left( \frac{\Pr\left[\operatorname{DLap}(x, b) = z\right]}{\Pr\left[\operatorname{DLap}(x', b) = z\right]} \right) & \text{where } b \text{ is the noise scale} \\ & = \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} \ln \left( \frac{\exp^{1/b} - 1}{\exp^{1/b} + 1} \exp\left(-\frac{|x - z|}{b}\right)}{\exp^{1/b} - 1} \exp\left(-\frac{|x' - z|}{b}\right) \right) & \text{use pdf of Discrete Laplace} \\ & = \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} \ln \left( \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{|x - z|}{b}\right)}{\exp\left(-\frac{|x' - z|}{b}\right)} \right) & \text{exp and In cancel} \\ & = \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{|x' - z| - |x - z|}{b} & \text{by reverse triangle inequality} \\ & = \frac{d_{in}}{b} & \text{by definition of absolute distance} \end{aligned}$$

This bound satisfies the postcondition of laplace\_map. The saturating conversion to T is a post-processing step.

Therefore it has been shown that for every pair of elements  $x, x' \in \text{input\_domain}$  and every  $d_{Abs}(x, x') \leq d_{\text{in}}$  with  $d_{\text{in}} \geq 0$ , if x, x' are  $d_{\text{in-close}}$  then function(x), function(x') are  $\text{privacy\_map}(d_{\text{in}})$ -close under output\\_measure (the Max-Divergence).