

# NoisePrivacyMap<L1Distance<RBig>, MaxDivergence> for ZExpFamily<1>

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This proof resides in “**contrib**” because it has not completed the vetting process.

Proves soundness of the implementation of `NoisePrivacyMap` for `ZExpFamily<1>` in `mod.rs` at commit [f5bb719](#) (outdated<sup>1</sup>).

## 1 Hoare Triple

### Precondition

#### Compiler-Verified

`NoisePrivacyMap` is parameterized as follows:

- MI, the input metric, is of type `L1Distance<RBig>`
- MO, the output measure, is of type `MaxDivergence`

### User-Verified

None

### Pseudocode

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1 # analogous to impl NoisePrivacyMap<L1Distance<RBig>, MaxDivergence> for ZExpFamily<1> in
2     Rust
3 class ZExpFamily1:
4     def noise_privacy_map(
5         self, _input_metric: L1Distance[RBig], _output_measure: MaxDivergence
6     ) -> PrivacyMap[L1Distance[RBig], MaxDivergence]:
7         scale = self.scale
8         if scale < RBig.ZERO: #
9             raise "scale must be non-negative"
10
11     def privacy_map(d_in: RBig):
12         if d_in < RBig.ZERO: #
13             raise "sensitivity must be non-negative"
14
15         if d_in.is_zero(): #
16             return 0.0
17
18         if scale.is_zero(): #
19             return float("inf")
```

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<sup>1</sup>See new changes with git diff f5bb719..6b27cb3 rust/src/measurements/noise/distribution/laplace/mod.rs

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20     return f64.inf_cast(d_in / scale) #
21
22     return PrivacyMap.new_fallible(privacy_map)

```

## Postcondition

**Theorem 1.1.** Given a distribution `self`, returns `Err(e)` if `self` is not a valid distribution. Otherwise if the output is `Ok(privacy_map)` then `privacy_map` observes the following:

Define  $\text{function}(x) = x + Z$  where  $Z$  is a vector of iid samples from `self`.

For every pair of elements  $x, x'$  in `VectorDomain<AtomDomain<IBig>>`, and for every pair  $(d_{\text{in}}, d_{\text{out}})$ , 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) ≤ d_out`, then `function(x), function(x')` are `d_out`-close under `output_measure`.

*Proof.* Line 7 rejects `self` if `self` does not represent a valid distribution, satisfying the error conditions of the postcondition.

We now construct the privacy map. First consider the extreme values of the scale and sensitivity parameters. The sensitivity `d_in`, a bound on distances, must not be negative, as checked on line 11. In the case where sensitivity is zero (line 14), the privacy loss is zero, regardless the choice of scale parameter (even zero). This is because the privacy loss when adjacent datasets are always identical is zero. Otherwise, in the case where the scale is zero, the privacy loss is infinite. To avoid a rational division overflow, line 17 returns infinity.

By line 20, both the sensitivity and scale are positive rationals. We directly compute the max divergence over all  $x, x'$  in the input domain of big-integer vectors.

$$\max_{x \sim x'} D_\infty(M(x), M(x')) \tag{1}$$

$$= \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{S \subseteq \text{supp}(M(\cdot))} \left[ \ln \frac{\Pr[M(x) \in S]}{\Pr[M(x') \in S]} \right] \quad \text{substitute MaxDivergence} \tag{2}$$

$$\leq \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \left[ \ln \frac{\Pr[M(x) = y]}{\Pr[M(x') = y]} \right] \quad \text{mass is upper-bounded by point densities} \tag{3}$$

$$= \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \ln \frac{\prod_{i=1}^d \frac{e^{-1/s}-1}{e^{-1/s}+1} e^{-|x_i - z_i|/s}}{\prod_{i=1}^d \frac{e^{-1/s}-1}{e^{-1/s}+1} e^{-|x'_i - z_i|/s}} \quad \text{substitute pdf} \tag{4}$$

$$= \max_{x \sim x'} \max_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \ln \prod_{i=1}^d e^{\frac{|x'_i - z_i| - |x_i - z_i|}{s}} \quad \text{cancel constants} \tag{5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{s} \max_{x \sim x'} \sum_{i=1}^d |x'_i - z_i| - |x_i - z_i| \quad \text{simplify via log rules} \tag{6}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{s} \max_{x \sim x'} \sum_{i=1}^d |x'_i - x_i| \quad d \text{ applications of reverse triangle inequality} \tag{7}$$

$$= \frac{1}{s} \max_{x \sim x'} \|x' - x\|_1 \quad \text{substitute } L_1 \text{ from LpDistance} \tag{8}$$

$$\leq \frac{d_{\text{in}}}{s} \quad \text{since } \|x' - x\|_1 = d_{L_1}(x, x') \leq d_{\text{in}} \tag{9}$$

(10)

Line 20 implements this bound with exact division and conservative cast to float.  $\square$