

Pattern based alignment of audio data for Ad-hoc secure device pairing

Zero-communication data synchronisation

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- Security must become not only unobtrusive but unattended
- We need a more natural perception of security



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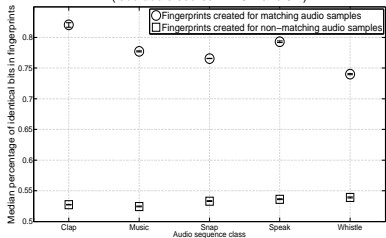
Audio-based ad-hoc secure pairing^a

^aS. Sigg et al., Secure Communication based on Ambient Audio, Accepted for IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing

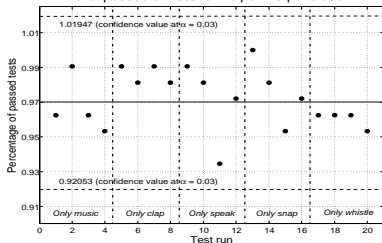
- Audio as common context source
- Fuzzy cryptography



Hamming distance in created fingerprints
(loud audio source in 1.5m and 3m)

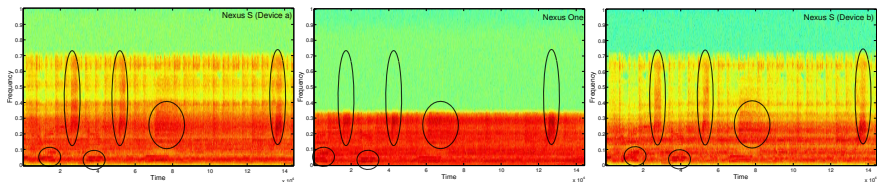


Percentage of tests in one test run
that passed at >5% for Kuiper KS p-values



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- We experiences significant differences in audio samples from devices with differing hardware(Nexus One; Nexus S)
- How can we correct these without disclosing information on the channel?

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How to synchronise audio without disclosing information?

No data shall be transmitted among devices

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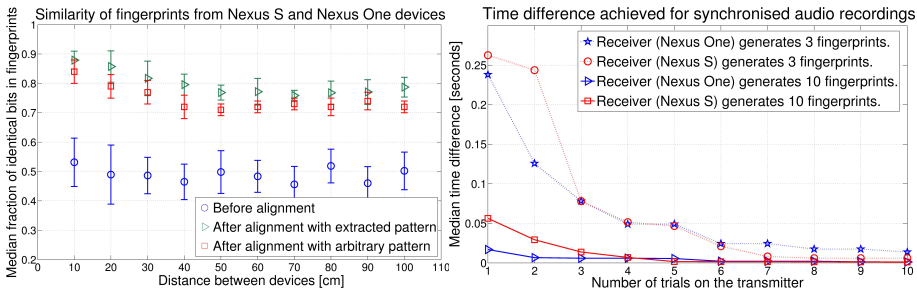
- Approximate pattern matching with arbitrary common sequence^a

^aT. F. Smith and M. S. Waterman.
Identification of common molecular subsequences.
Journal of molecular biology, 147(1):195-197, Mar.
1981



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- Synchronisation in the order of 3ms possible
- No additional data transmitted among devices

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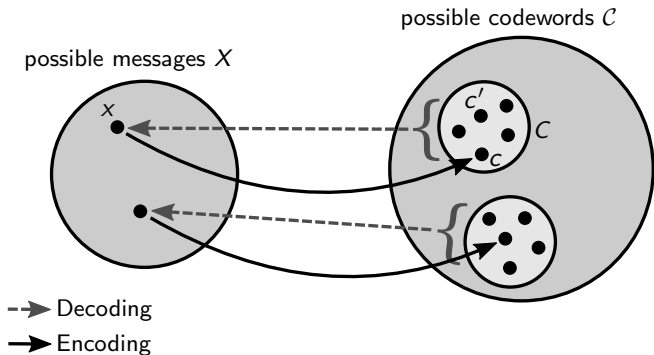
- Synchronisation of context data with zero data transmission
- Case study on audio-based secure pairing

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Questions?

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- Generation of Audio fingerprints¹
- Utilise Fuzzy cryptography to obtain identical keys at devices²

¹ J. Haitsma and T. Kalker, A highly robust audio fingerprinting system, ISMIR 2002

² P. Tuyls, B. Skoric, T. Kevenaar, Security with noisy Data, Springer, 2007