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Propose an Arabic CAPTCHA System based on Chaotic Maps

Abstract- CAPTCHA is the facility that prevents web bots from accessing the web services by generating tests to check whether the user is human or computer program. In this paper, a new pseudo-random bits generator based on chaotic system is offered to generate Arabic letters and numbers for CAPTCHA system. The proposed generator uses two Jacobian elliptic Chebyshev rational maps that are combined in the algorithm to produce a block of 32bits in each iteration. A specified number of bits are selected from the resulted blocks to be converted to a set of Arabic letters and numbers. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) statistical test suite are used to assess the generator randomness, all tests has been passed except Longest Run of Ones in a Block Test, Binary Matrix Rank Test and Random Excursions Test.

Keywords- CAPTCHA, Chaotic Map, Jacobian elliptic Chebyshev rational map, NIST statistical test suite, pseudo-random bits generator.

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1. Introduction

Many people use internet to take advantage of diverse accessible services, e.g., email services, online shopping and blogs. In these services, the user should sign up itself by filling an online sample, but intelligent programs pretend as a human, register for these free services spontaneously. A challenge is the facility to prevent these online services from these automated-bots and it is utilized to distinguish human from bots [1].

"Completely Automated Public Turing Test to Tell Computers and Humans Apart" is a short for the word "CAPTCHA". CAPTCHA is a bot that can be used to distinguish humans from computers by creating tests. These tests must be:

1. passed by most humans.
2. not be passed by computer programs [2].

In this paper, a new pseudo-random bits generator based on chaotic system is suggested to generate Arabic letters and numbers for Arabic CAPTCHA system. This generator combines Two Jacobian elliptic Chebyshev rational maps and a block of 32bit is produced in each iteration. A specified number of bits are selected from the resulted blocks to be converted to a set of Arabic letters and numbers, which are shown as a Captcha, test to be solved. Rigorous statistical analyses are carefully conducted to evaluate the quality, the robustness and the randomness of the generator.

In this paper, sec 2. Types of CAPTCHA is described, chaotic based pseudo-random bit generator is presented in sec. 3. The proposed

schema is shown in sec. 4 and sec. 5 the conclusion of the proposal is presented.

2. CAPTCHA Types

CAPTCHAs are classified into different types such as image based, text based and audio based. The following sections present a brief description to each type:

I. Text based CAPTCHAs

This type of CAPTCHA depends on letters and numeric values, to prevent bot attacks; specific distortions and noise are added, however, human eyes have the ability to recognize them [3]. Figure 1 shows examples of text CAPTCHA [1].



Figure 1: An example of text based CAPTCHAs [1]

II. Image based CAPTCHAs

Image recognition task is needed to be performed by users where to make CAPTCHA more difficult

to solve by bots. Users are required to recognize a simple concept among many images presented [3]. Figure 2 shows examples of image based CAPTCHA [4].



Figure 2: image-based CAPTCHA [4]

III. Audio based CAPTCHAs

In this type, a word or sequence of numbers is picked randomly by the program, this word is transformed to a sound clip and a sound clip is distorted, then it is presented to the users and the users are required to enter its contents. Figure 3 shows a sample of audio CAPTCHA [4].

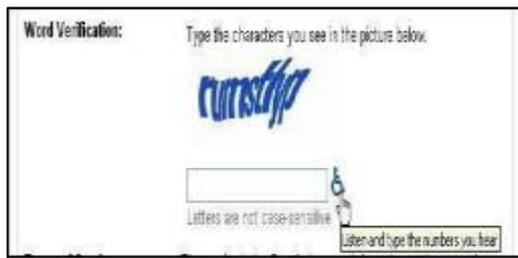


Figure 3: Audio CAPTCHA

IV. Video based CAPTCHAs

In a video CAPTCHA, a test passing requires user to describe a video with three words. If one of the presented words matches the automatically generated ground truth tag set then the test is passed. Figure 4 shows an example of video CAPTCHA [5].

3. Chaotic Based Pseudo-Random Bit Generator

A strong role is played by Chaos theory in the quality enhancement of the PRNGs. In this field, the benefit of using chaos is in its messy behavior and its unpredictability. Chaotic iterations (CIs) are proved as an appropriate tool for fast computing repeatable algorithms, satisfy the feature of the topological chaotic [6]. The characteristics that recognize chaotic systems are high sensitivity to initial conditions, ergodicity and random behaviors [7].



Figure 4: Video based CAPTCHA [5]

I. Chaotic Maps

The performance of specific nonlinear dynamic system is described by chaos theory and under particular conditions display dynamics that are sensitive to initial conditions, so the sensitivity to initial conditions and mixing feature are the two basic features of chaotic systems. The use of chaotic map is to generate the chaotic sequence. Different chaotic maps are used to generate the chaos streams, among the different chaotic maps, four types of maps are listed below:

1. Logistic Map

The logistic map is a simple and well-calculated sample of a 1D map that shows complex behavior from the interval [0,1] to [0,1], parameterized by the parameter μ :

$$x(n + 1) = \mu * x(n) * (1 - x(n)) \quad (1)$$

The equation (1) describes the state evolution where $0 \leq \mu \leq 4$

Where:

μ : a positive real constant.

x : the initial condition[8].

3.1.1. Tent Map

The tent map can be defined by the following equation:

$$T_r(x) = \begin{cases} 2rx, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2r(1 - x), & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

2. 2D Arnold's Cat Map

The purpose of this type of map is to permute the location of bits and is given by:

$$x_1 = (x_0 + y_0 a) \text{mod } n \quad (3)$$

$$y_1 = (x_0 b + y_0 (ab + 1)) \text{mod } n \quad (4)$$

Where:

n : the dimension of the arnolds cat map .

x_0, y_0 : the original locations of the bit.

x_1, y_1 : the locations of bit after the transformations of 2D arnolds cat map .

a, b : the control parameters [10].

3. Jacobian Elliptic Chebyshev Rational Map

Chaotic characteristics like pseudo-random, sensitivity to a small alteration in the initial

conditions, ergodicity are satisfied by Jacobian elliptic chaotic map.

The following equation (5) defines Jacobian elliptic map recursively:

$$R_{n+1}(v, w) = \frac{2vR_n(v, w)}{1-w^2(1-v^2)(1-R_n^2(v, w))} - R_{n-1}(v, w) \tag{5}$$

Where:

v: the variable belongs to the periodl [-1,1].

n: integer number let $n \geq 1$.

w: modulus $w \in [0,1]$.

$R_0(v, w) = 1$, $R_1(v, w) = v[11]$.

4. The Proposed Schema

In this paper, a new pseudo-random bits generator based on two Jacobian elliptic Chebyshev rational maps is proposed; these maps are used to generate Arabic letters and numbers randomly for Captcha test. The generator inputs are one initial condition that differs for each map and the same control parameter for both maps. These inputs are applied to each map by using the iterative Equation 5. Two times and the result from each equation is a real number, which is converted to a binary number. The last 32 bits from each sequence are XORed together and at the end, a block of 32 bits is produced. A specified number of bits are selected from the resulted blocks to be converted in the form of Arabic letters and numbers. The following algorithm illustrates the steps of generating Arabic letters and numbers for CAPTCHA system using pseudo-random bits generator based on chaotic systems with two Jacobian elliptic chaotic maps:

Algorithm (1): generate random Arabic letters and numbers using pseudo-random bits generator based on two jacobian elliptic chaotic maps

Input: v1: initial condition for the first jacobian elliptic map where $v1 \in [-1,1]$.
 v2: initial condition for the second jacobian elliptic map where $v2 \in [-1,1]$.
 w: control parameter where $w \in [0,1]$.
 count: the counter for the number of iteration.
 Num_of Iterations: the number of the iterations // used to generate block of 32bits in each one.

Output: Pseudorandom combination of Arabic letters and numbers.

This pseudo-random Arabic letters and numbers generator is based on Jacobian elliptic Chebyshev Rational Map has been analyzed by NIST statistical test suite, which involves 15 tests, and the Table 1 shows the outcomes.

As illustrated in the above table, the pseudo-random bits generator based on two Jacobian elliptic Chebyshev rational maps, this generator is passed all NIST tests except Longest Run of Ones in a Block Test, Binary Matrix Rank Test and Random Excursions Test due to inputs of the chaotic maps. In this paper, a Jacobian elliptic Chebyshev rational map is chosen because its output has high randomness compared to other types of chaotic maps.

The advantages of using pseudo-random bits generators based on chaotic maps (CPRBG) over the traditional pseudo-random bits generator (PRBG) are: high sensitivity to the initial condition, since any small change to the initial condition leads to complete different results.

- high randomness compared to other normal PRBGs.
- Ergodicity according to ergodic theory, which studies the dynamical systems.
- Unpredictability.
- Disordered behavior.

Step 1: Iterate the two Jacobian elliptic chaotic maps 800 times to remove the transient effect of the chaotic maps by using the equation (5) for each v1 and v2.

Step 2: Convert the values taken from the two Jacobian elliptic maps after the iteration of each jacobian elliptic map 800 times to the binary values.

Step 3: Perform an XOR operation between the last 32bits of the two binary sequence taken from step 2 and the result is a block of 32 bits.

Step 4: Set count=1.
 While(count ≤ Num_Of_Iterations)
 do
 {
 - Apply the two Jacobian elliptic maps by using Equation 5. with the values resulted from the step 2.
 - Convert the values taken from the two Jacobian elliptic maps to the binary values.
 - perform an XOR operation between the last 32bits of the two binary sequence and the result is a block of 32 bits.
 - count=count+1.
 }

Step 5: Take a specific required number of bits and convert them to the Arabic letters and numbers.

Step 6: end.

Table 1: analyzing randomness by NIST statistical test package for pseudo-random Arabic letters and numbers generator based on two Jacobian elliptic Chebyshev rational maps.

Test Name	P-value	Result
The Frequency Test	0.62687081853618987	Pass
The Frequency within Block Test	0.76943442505154147	Pass
The Run Test	0.999999999	Pass
The Longest Run of Ones in a Block Test	0.0029733625605687926	Fail
The Binary Matrix Rank Test	0.0055439147831519275	Fail
The Discrete Fourier Transform Test	0.77167063761183041	Pass
The Non-overlapping Template Matching Test	0.999999999999991	Pass
The Overlapping Template Matching Test	0.9999714733895565	Pass
The Maurer's "Universal Statistical" Test	0.93573207768305477	Pass
The Linear Complexity Test	0.99852934605644	Pass
The Serial Test	0.3880392484878506	Pass
	0.31725194993957595	Pass
The Approximate Entropy Test	0.42742613717432776	Pass
The Cumulative Sums Test	0.72221177167402917	Pass
The Random Excursions Test	0.94736135897740947	Pass
	0.65354946503814393	Pass
	0.00000851404472251304	Fail
	0.90421124960566768	Pass
	0.89590874200435588	Pass
	0.0000000334839094	Fail
	0.77492362051054287	Pass
	0.27245262856567726	Pass
The Random Excursions Variant Test	0.94950354826301442	Pass
	0.92837186798902149	Pass
	0.846863603619318	Pass
	0.8956043955180788	Pass
	0.7940027991134575	Pass
	0.9475407628030168	Pass
	0.69709171705917938	Pass
	0.80161363203679714	Pass
	0.7277236777459174	Pass
	0.38408816978754312	Pass
	0.26892507216248152	Pass
	0.55930486312766026	Pass
	0.71744673911865375	Pass
	0.7940027991134575	Pass
	0.85424698257868492	Pass
	0.88483607852776436	Pass
	0.78740661527770728	Pass
	0.45999759729552947	Pass

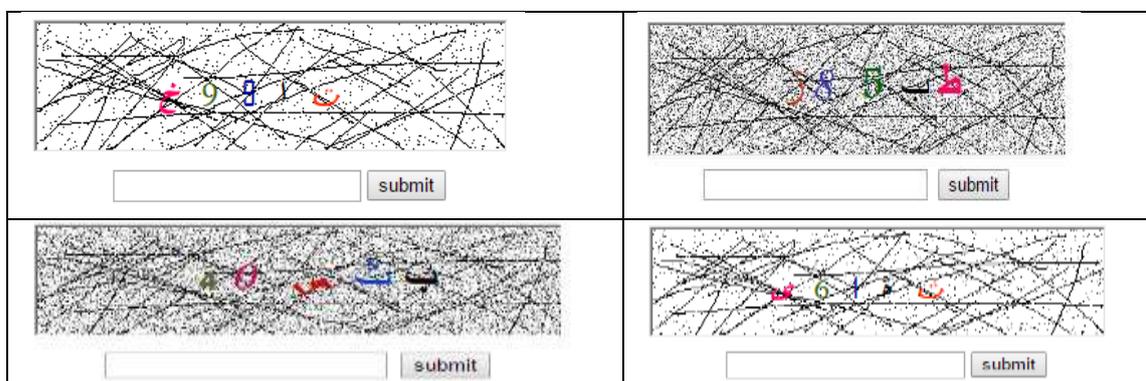


Figure 5: Arabic letters and numbers based CAPTCHA

Generally, the way used in producing any symbol (Arabic letters, English letters, numbers and others) from any pseudo-random bits generator is to choose a finite number of bits by determining the number of symbols to be displayed for CAPTCHA test and the maximum number of bits to represent each symbol.

Determining the maximum number of bits is done by observing the largest ASCII-code number among the ASCII-code numbers of the existing symbols that are the candidates to appear in the CAPTCHA test.

Figure 5 shows some samples of Arabic letters and numbers based CAPTCHA.

Conclusion

CAPTCHA is a way to prohibit malicious programs from accessing available services on web sites by creating tests to validate whether the user is human or bot. In this paper, a new pseudo random bit generator based on chaotic system has been proposed to generate random Arabic letters and numbers, within this new generator, two jacobian elliptic Chebyshev rational maps have been used with different initial condition for each map, the same control parameter is used for both maps for each iteration, this generator is produced a block of 32 bits and has passed all NIST tests except Longest Run of Ones in a Block Test, Binary Matrix Rank Test and Random Excursions Test due to the inputs of the chaotic maps. Pseudo-random bits generators based on chaotic maps (CPRBG) has features like sensitivity to initial conditions, unpredictability and ergodicity. Number of bits is selected from the resulted blocks to be converted to Arabic letters and numbers that are showed as a captcha test.

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