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1 Description

The Utimaco true random number generator is a physical entropy source implemented in Utimaco's hardware security module product bundle with the family name SecurityServer including but not limited to different u.trust Anchor variants.

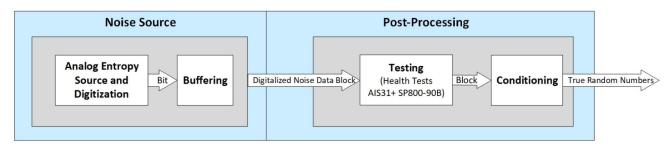


Figure 1: A single entropy source block diagram and its security boundary (blue).

The entropy source consists of both hardware and software components.

The hardware component includes the analog entropy source (noise source) and a Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA). The digitization and buffering are part of the FPGA implementation (see HDL-FPGA in Table 1).

Software components include the driver and the RNGS service.

- The driver implements the hardware-level access to the FIFO.
- The RNGS is a service through which the random numbers are made available to the user space. It also implements a suite of health tests (AIS31, ACT, RCT) performed on raw data and conditions the raw data before making it available to consumer applications like the DRBG.

Figure 1 shows the block diagram of a single TRNG and its security boundary in blue. Component version numbers are listed in Table 1.

Multiple instances of the TRNG can be implemented in parallel in a way that keeps the noise sources' data paths separated from each other.

Component Name	Version Number
HW Noise Source	03.00.03
HDL-FPGA	3.0.1
Driver	2.0.1
RNGS	2.0.0

Table 1: Entropy relevant version numbers

Note that the TRNG complies with all requirements of the AIS31 PTG.2 class. It has been already validated according the AIS31 test methodology as also to 90B (Cert#4151 https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/cryptographic-module-validation-program/certificate/4151).

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2 Security Boundary

The security boundary of the entropy source shown as blue box in Figure 1 includes the components listed in Table 1.

The components of the random number generator are protected by the physical security mechanisms of the product.



3 Operating Conditions

Operation conditions match those described in the security policy of the product where the entropy source is embedded.

4 Configuration Settings

No external configuration is possible.



5 Physical Security Mechanisms

The entropy source inherits the physical security mechanisms of the product, where it is embedded. Please refer to the product security policy for more details.

6 Conceptual Interfaces

The entropy source provides proprietary interfaces only accessible in special development devices to provide access to raw data of the noise source.

No external interface is available to end-users except the possibility to restart the module to perform on-demand health testing.



7 Min-Entropy Rate

The Physical True Random Number Generator entropy source provides 0.815 bits of minentropy per output bit. Therefore, it provides 417 bits of entropy per 512 bits input.

8 Health Tests

Tests on the digitalized noise data are continuously performed to check whether the TRNG is working correctly and to guarantee that only high-quality random numbers are validated as true random numbers.

The entropy source is tested at each start-up with the following test suite:

- Repetition Count Test (RCT) according to SP 800-90B section 4.4.1,
- Adaptive Proportion Test (APT) according to SP 800-90B section 4.4.2,
- Continuous Chi-Squared Test according to AIS 20/31 "A Proposal for Functionality Classes for Random Number" section 5.5.3 (version 2.0 Sep. 2011),

Start-up Chi-Squared Test according to AIS 20/31 "A Proposal for Functionality Classes for Random Number" section 5.5.2 (version 2.0 Sep. 2011).

Apart from the Start-up Chi-Squared Test, the above-listed tests are also performed as continuous tests during operation.

Table 2 gives an overview about implemented health tests, their scopes, error states and error indicators if they fail.

Table 2: Health	tests scones	and states	s hy failure

Defect	Test	Error State	Error Indicator
Stuck on single value for a long period of time	RCT	Noise alarm.	Audit log entry indicates
Large loss of entropy	APT	Noise alarm.	noise alarm and
Non-tolerable entropy defects of the raw random numbers during continuous operation including stuck on single value, outer range numbers of pattern occurrences	Continuous Chi Squared Test	Noise alarm	commands requiring TRNG are blocked



Defect	Test	Error State	Error Indicator
Total failure of the physical noise source and severe statistical weaknesses on start-up	Start-up Chi- Squared Test	TRNG defective. u.trust Anchor RNGS service will continue with the other TRNGs. If they all fail, the module will try to boot the secondary boot image and initialize its multiple TRNG implementations. If they all fail, the module will boot in recovery mode.	

In case of a noise alarm, all buffered TRNG random blocks are erased and the TRNG is blocked.

On-demand testing is initialized by resetting, rebooting, or powering-up the module.

We choose $\alpha = 2^{-30}$, C = 35 for RPT and C = 645 for APT which is sufficient for all devices with min entropy <= 0.9.

For the AIS 31 start-up and continuous tests, we took the parameters listed in Table 3 as proposed in AIS 20/31 "A Proposal for Functionality Classes for Random Number" section 5.5.2 (version 2.0 Sep. 2011).

Table 3: AIS3 test constants

Constant	Value
STMAX	65.00
CMAX	26.75
TMIN	13.00
TMAX	17.00
СТОТ	269.5

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9 Maintenance

There are no special maintenance requirements.



10 Required Testing

The user must rely on the health tests to detect any drops in entropy.

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