

# ANS X9.82: Random Number Generation

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INFORMATION  
TECHNOLOGY  
LABORATORY

- Work began about 1998;
- Main contributors/editors from NIST, NSA, and CSE
- Material later incorporated and revised into the SP 800-90 series – in order to include test and evaluation methods

# Four Part Standard

- Part 1: Overview and Basic Principles (2006; R2013)
- Part 2: Entropy Sources ((2011)/2015)
- Part 3: Deterministic Random Bit Generators (2007; R2017)
- Part 4: Random Bit Generator Constructions (2011; R2017))

- Original content:
  - Overview: secure RBGs, functional model, RBG types of RBGs
  - Security Properties
  - Annexes
- Current status

(No SP 800-90 counterpart)

# Part 3: Deterministic Random Bit Generators

- Original content:
  - Similar to the current SP 800-90A
  - Specifies HMAC\_DRBG, CTR\_DRBG, Dual\_EC\_DRBG)
  - Annexes
- Current status: To be revised to adopt SP 800-90A

# Part 2: Entropy Sources

- Original content:
  - Similar to SP 800-90B
  - Does not include validation tests
- Current status: Revision in progress to adopt SP 800-90B

# Part 4: RBG Constructions

- Original content:
  - Similar to the first two drafts of SP 800-90C
  - Annexes
- Current status: Revise to adopt SP 800-90C



**Questions?**





**Thanks!**