

# Protocols safety project

## Déclaration d'attaque sur le protocole ABT.2

### Attack 2

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**Overview** The following scenario follows the protocol presented as the ABT v.2 protocol. The broken property is the authentication.

#### Broken property:

**Authentication:** *B knows that he's talking to agent A when at the final step he receives the nonce  $N_B$  encrypted by  $K_{AB}$ . Because S and B were the only one to know  $N_B$  and S share it with A so B can trust A.*

1.  $C \rightarrow S : C, \{B\}_{K_{CS}}$
2.  $S \rightarrow \dots B : C, \{N_C\}_{pk_B} \times [\text{interception by } C]$   
 $C(S) \rightarrow B : A, \{N_C\}_{pk_B}$
3.  $B \rightarrow S : \{N_C\}_{K_{BS}}$
4.  $S \rightarrow C : \{\langle \{K\}_{K_{BS}}, K \rangle, N_C \rangle\}_{K_{CS}}$
5.  $C(A) \rightarrow B : \{K\}_{K_{BS}}, \{N_C\}_K$

**Role played by C :** B has only one way to be sure that he's indeed talking to A, that is the presence of A in the message at the step 2 of your protocol. C can still impersonate A, as described in our attack before the correction (scenario described by e-mail), and for this attack to be valid, it still initiates a session with S to talk to B, and intercepts the message 2 and modifies it before to "forward" the new message to B, where C has been replaced by B. So, the **property of authentication**, is violated.

**Nota Bene:** From the point of view of C, B is talking to C.