

Internship Report: Protocol verification

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1 Introduction

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3 Study of the properties of protocols

3.1 Preparations

In computer science, verification refers to a discipline that uses formal methods to study the properties of systems and check whether they fulfill certain specifications.

During the course of this semester, I was assigned with the study of the protocols used in the belenios system. Belenios is an electronic vote sytem which was developed by the researchers from INRIA (**préciser l'acronyme**). Before being able to take care of the task at hand, I had to learn the tools used in this field of research.

Throughout my studies and researches, I have learnt the existence of several mathematical and logical abstract tools, techniques and properties :

- The use of cryptographic primitives, modeled by an equational theory
- Process algebras (or process calculi), use to model concurrent systems, especially, applied Pi-calculus.
- The use of prooftrees.

These tools allow us to prove a wide array of protocol properties, such as deducibility and authentification. You can, for example, use cryptographic primitives and pi-calculus to prove the property of authentification, or use prooftrees to prove deducibility, which is intuitively a property that refers to the ability to deduce a term from a set of terms.

4 Conclusion

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