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Security Verification and cryptographic modelling in F*

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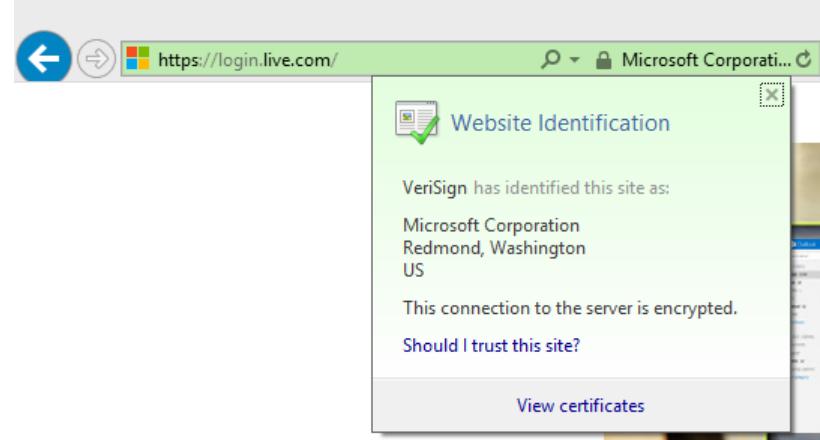
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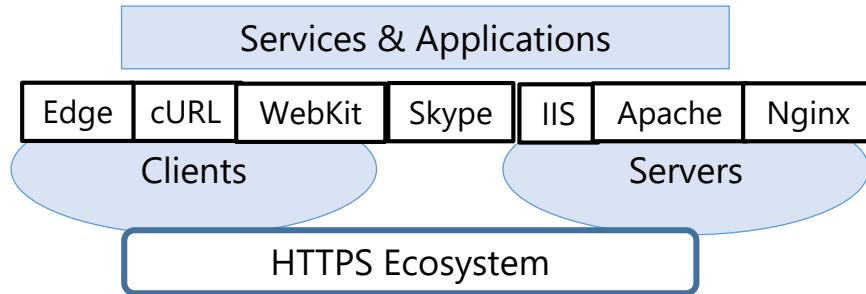
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Everest*: Verified Drop-in Replacements for TLS/HTTPS

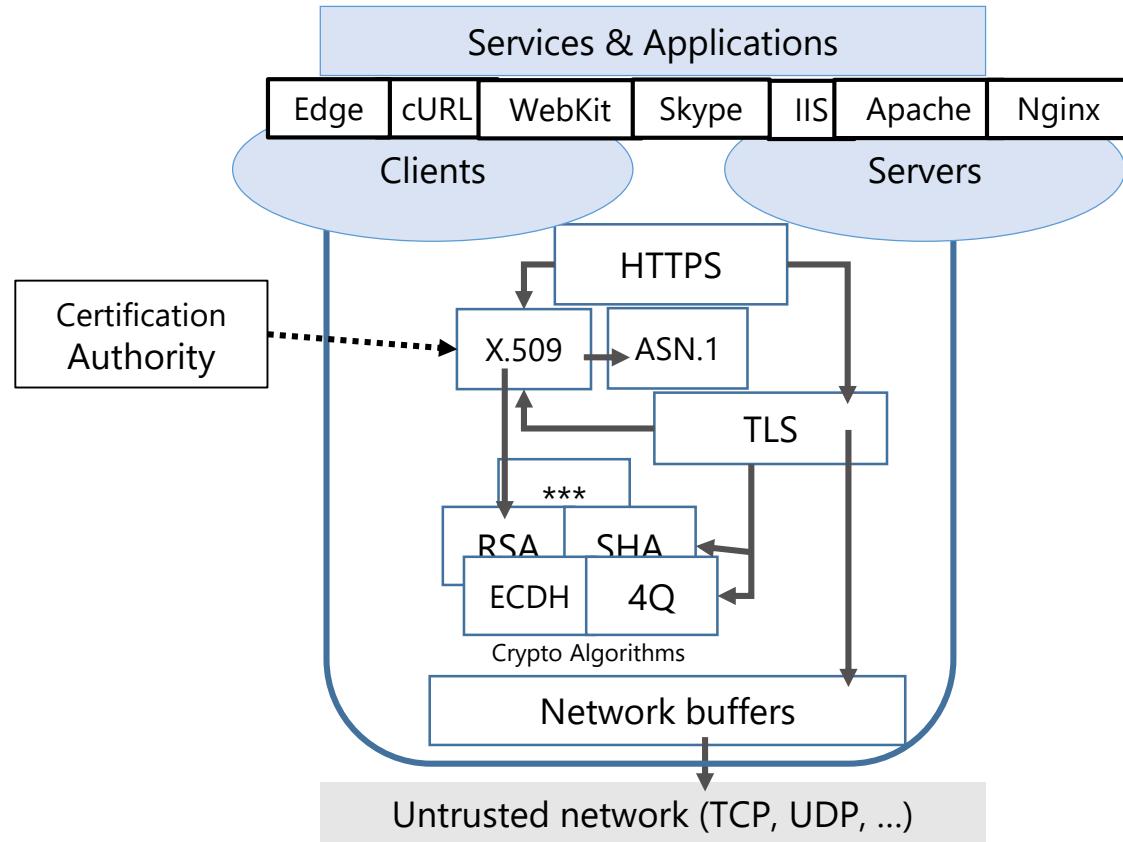


The HTTPS Ecosystem is critical



- Default protocol—trillions of connections
- Most of Internet traffic (+40%/year)
- Web, cloud, email, VoIP, 802.1x, VPNs, IoT...

The HTTPS Ecosystem is complex



The HTTPS Ecosystem is broken

- 20 years of attacks & fixes

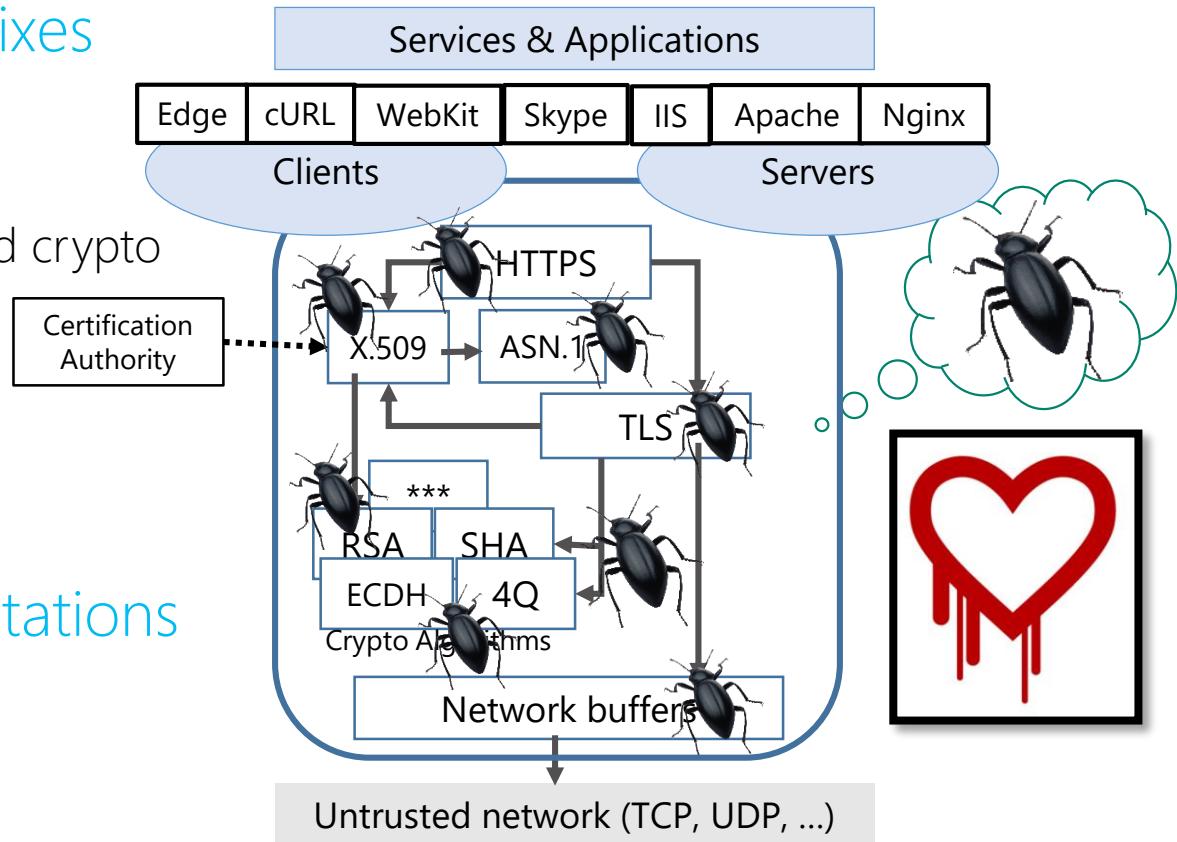
- Buffer overflows
- Incorrect state machines
- Lax certificate parsing
- Weak or poorly implemented crypto
- Side channels

- Implicit security goals
- Dangerous APIs
- Flawed standards

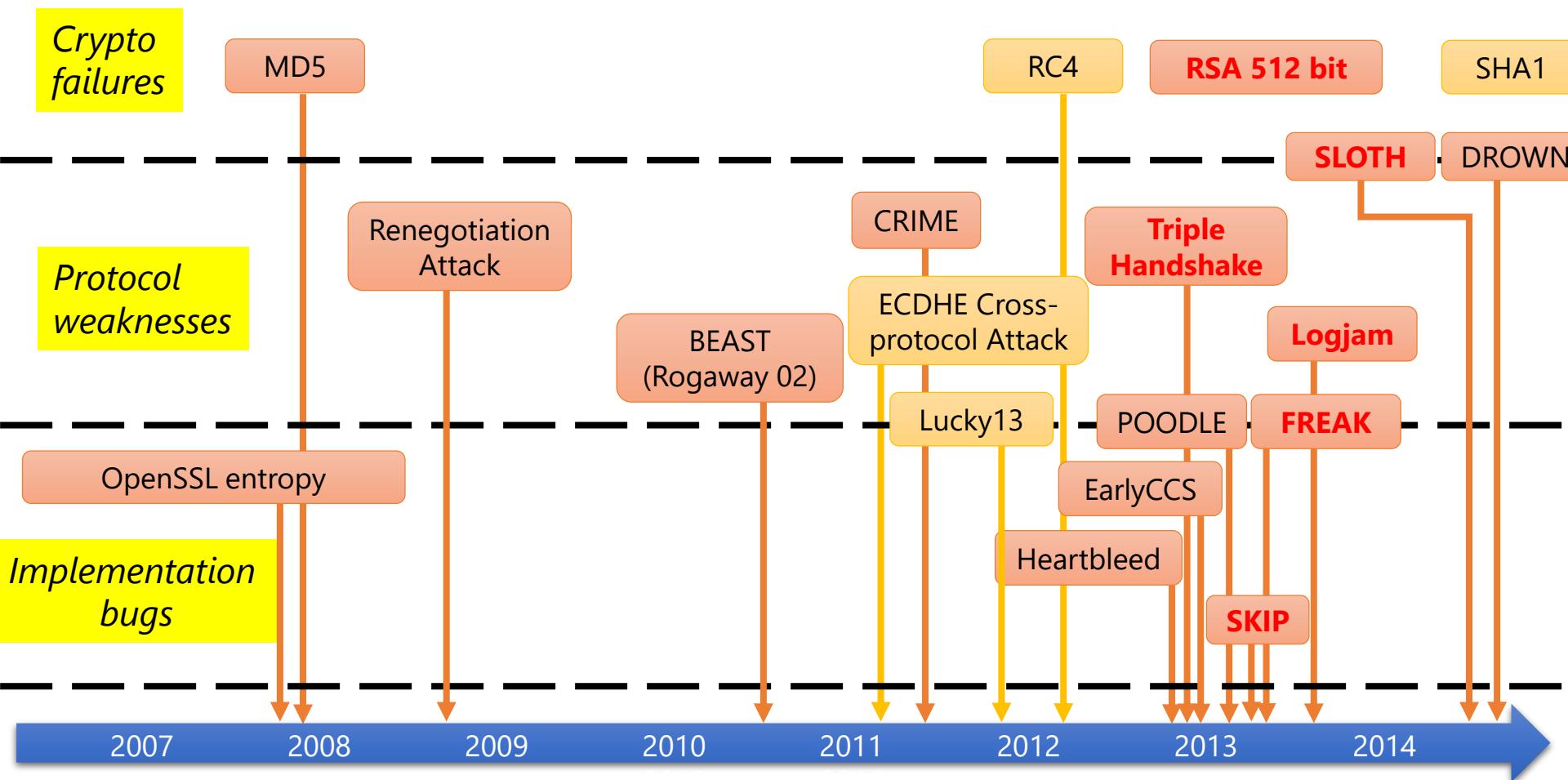
- Mainstream implementations

- OpenSSL, SChannel, NSS, ...

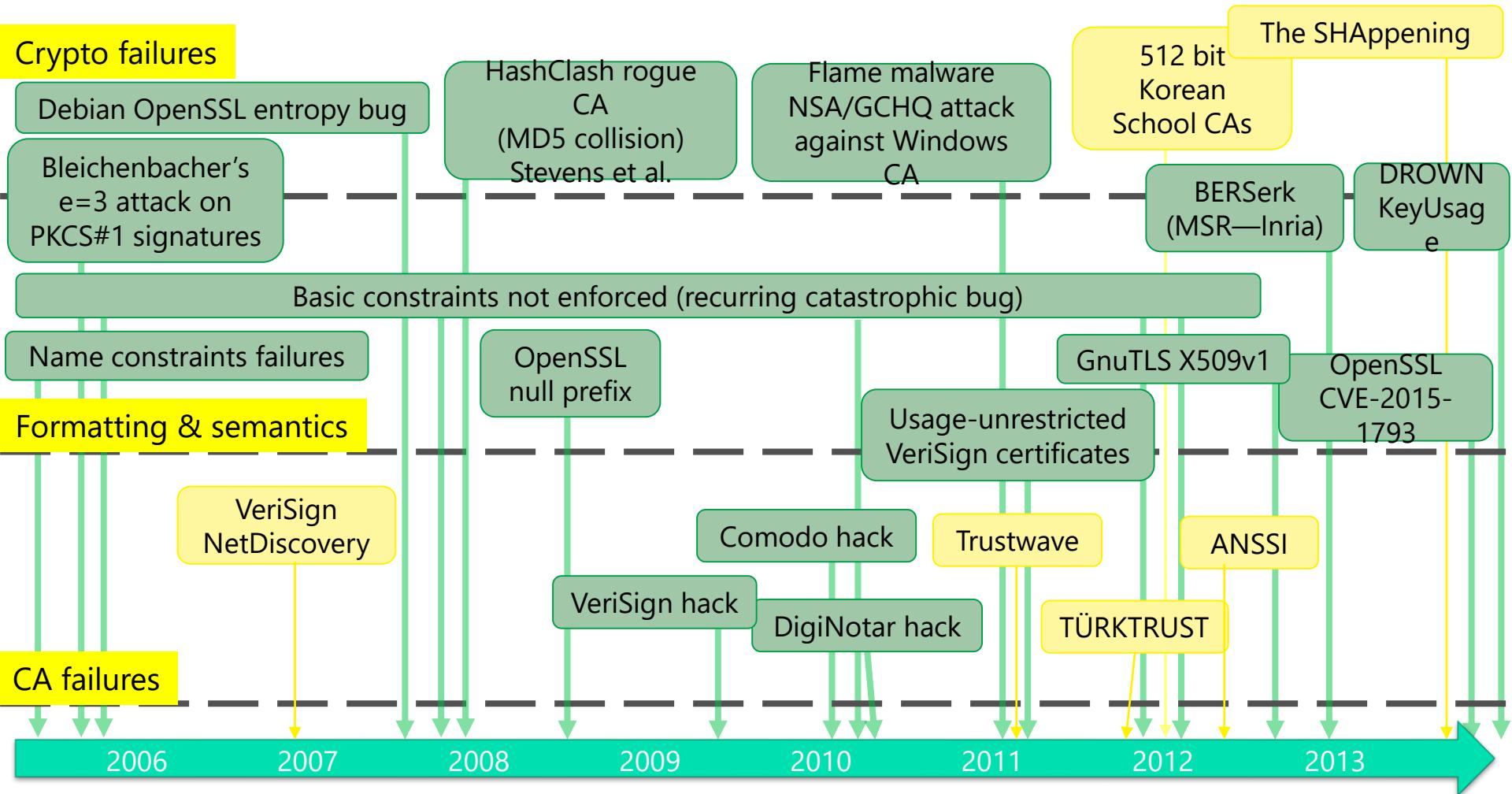
- Monthly security patches



A Timeline of Recent TLS Attacks

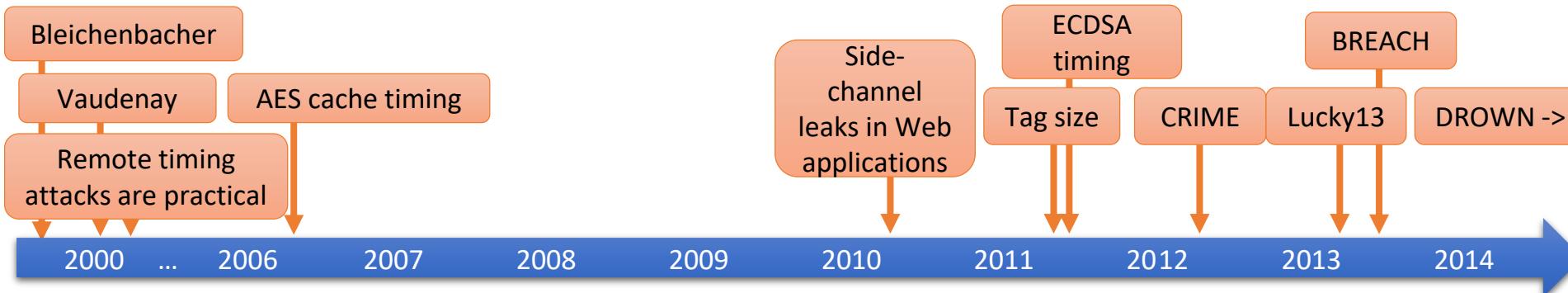


A Timeline of Recent PKI Failures



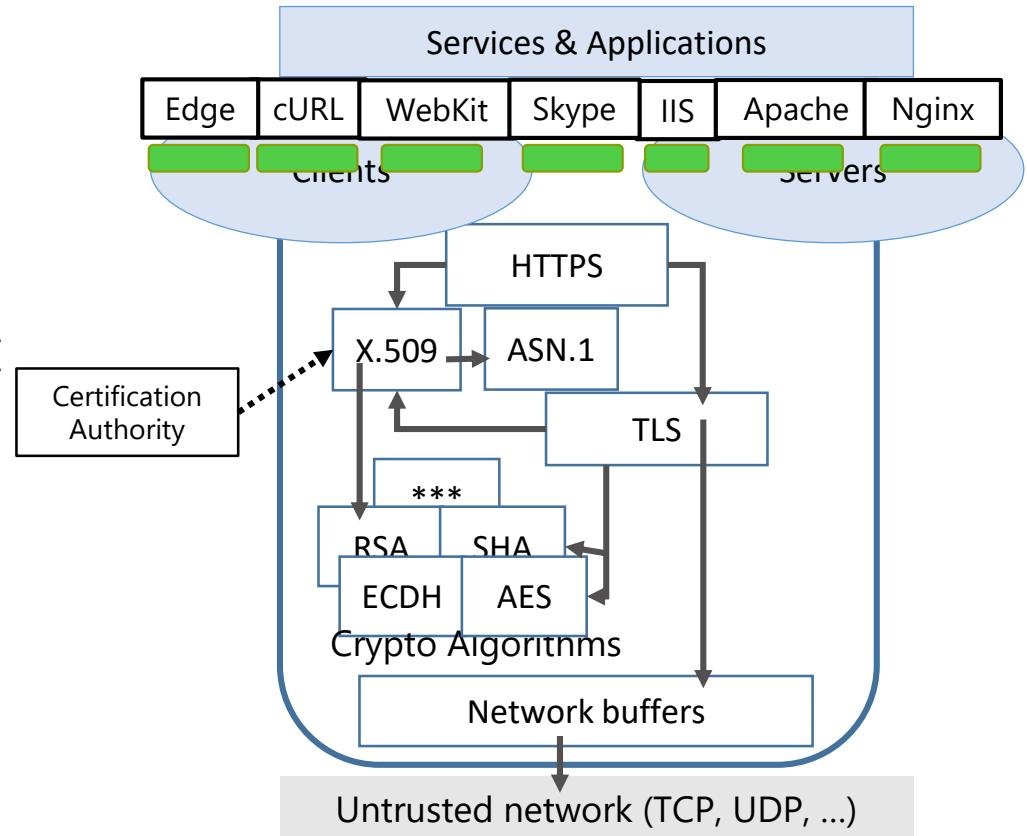
Side Channel Challenge (Attacks)

Protocol-level side channels	Traffic analysis	Timing attacks against cryptographic primitives	Memory & Cache
TLS messages may reveal information about the internal protocol state or the application data	Combined analysis of the time and length distributions of packets leaks information about the application	A remote attacker may learn information about crypto secrets by timing execution time for various inputs	Memory access patterns may expose secrets, in particular because caching may expose sensitive data (e.g. by timing)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hello message contents (e.g. time in nonces, SNI) • Alerts (e.g. decryption vs. padding alerts) • Record headers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRIME/BREACH (adaptive chosen plaintext attack) • User tracking • Auto-complete input theft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bleichenbacher attacks against PKCS#1 decryption and signatures • Timing attacks against RC4 (Lucky 13) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OpenSSL key recovery in virtual machines • Cache timing attacks against AES

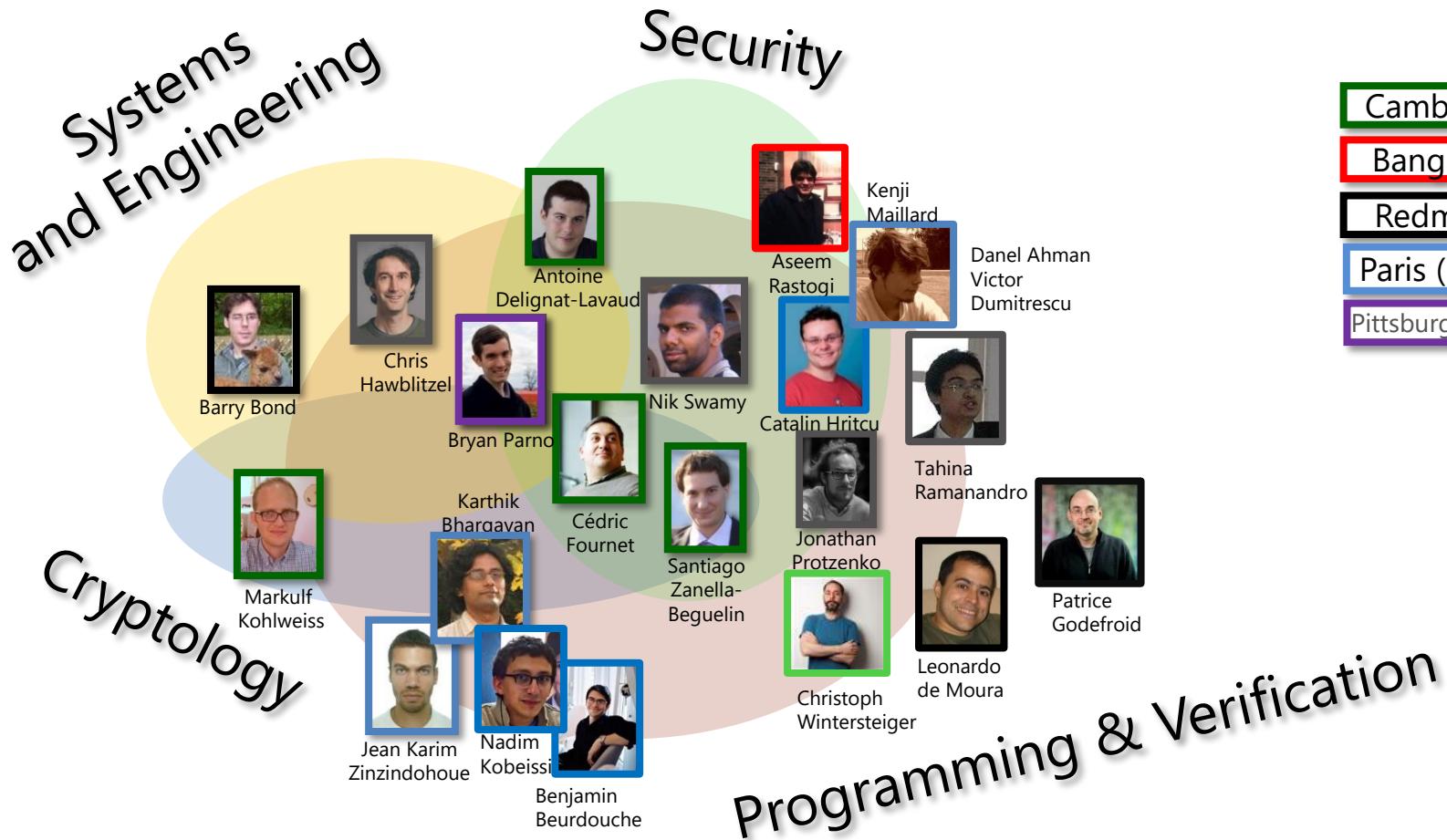


Verified Components for the HTTPS Ecosystem

- Strong verified safety & security
- Trustworthy, usable tools
- Widespread deployment



Team Everest



TLS/HTTPS: Just a Secure Channel?

Crypto provable security (core model)

One security property at a time
—simple definitions vs composition

Intuitive informal proofs
Omitting most protocol details

New models & assumptions required ☹

RFCs (informal specs)

Focus on wire format,
flexibility, and interoperability

Security is considered, not specified

Software safety & security (implementation)

Focus on performance, error handling,
operational security

Security vulnerabilities & patches

Application security (interface)

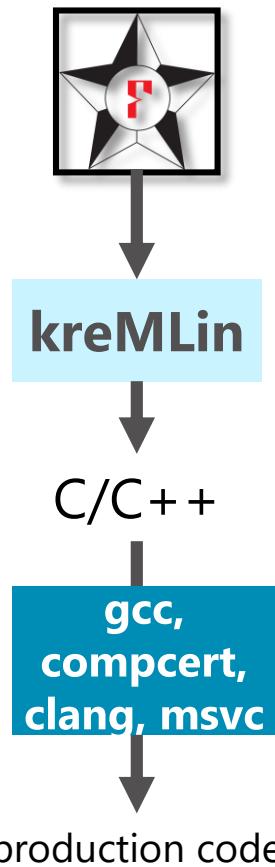
Lower-level, underspecified, implementation-specific.
Poorly understood by most users.

Weak configurations, policies, and deployments

High-Performance Verified Implementations

By implementing standardized components and proving them secure, we validate both their design and our code.

source code, specs, security definitions, crypto games & constructions, proofs...



verify all properties
(using automated provers)
then **erase** all proofs

extract low-level code,
with good performance &
(some) side-channel protection

interop with rest of
TLS/HTTPS ecosystem

Concrete Applications

A screenshot of a web browser window showing the Mozilla Security Blog. The title 'Mozilla Security Blog' is prominently displayed. The URL in the address bar is 'blog.mozilla.org/security/2017/09/13/verified-cryptography-firefox-57'. The Mozilla logo is visible in the top right corner.

Mozilla Security Blog



Verified cryptography for Firefox 57



Benjamin Beurdouche

Traditionally, software is produced in this way: write some code, maybe do some code review, run unit-tests, and then hope it is correct. Hard experience shows that it is very hard for programmers to write bug-free software. These bugs are sometimes caught in manual testing, but many bugs still are exposed to users, and then must be fixed in patches or subsequent versions. This works for most software, but it's not a great way to write cryptographic software; users expect and deserve assurances that the code providing security and privacy is well written and bug free.



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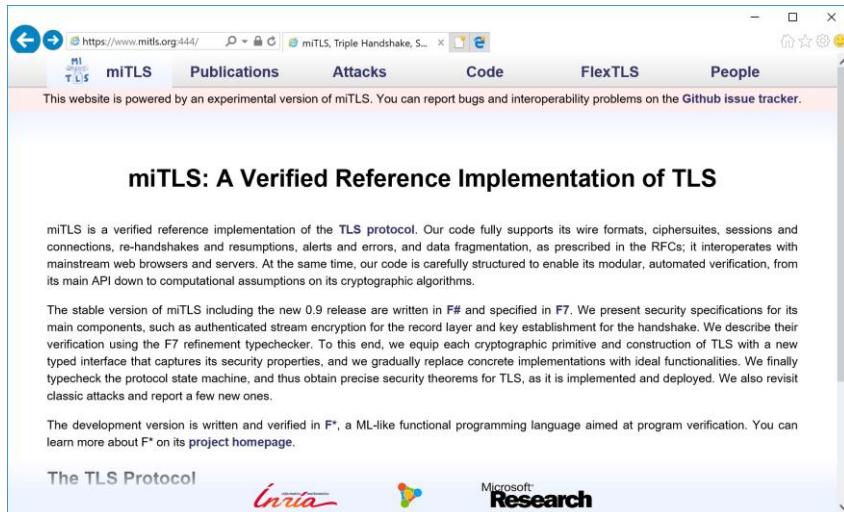
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Announcements

Automated Testing

BrowserID

Client: IE



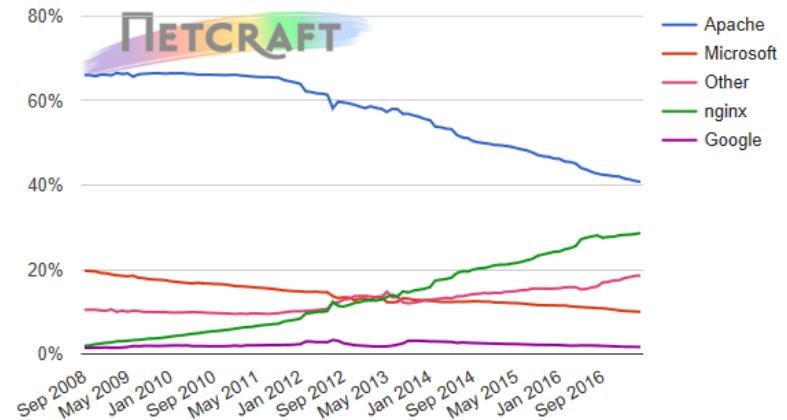
A screenshot of a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window displaying the miTLS website. The address bar shows the URL <https://www.mitls.org:444/>. The page title is "miTLS, Triple Handshake, S...". The main content area features a heading "miTLS: A Verified Reference Implementation of TLS". Below it, there is a detailed description of the project's purpose and implementation, mentioning F# and F*. At the bottom, there are logos for Inria and Microsoft Research.

We integrate miTLS & its verified crypto with Internet Explorer.

We run TLS 1.3 sessions with 0RTT without changing their application code.

Server: nginx

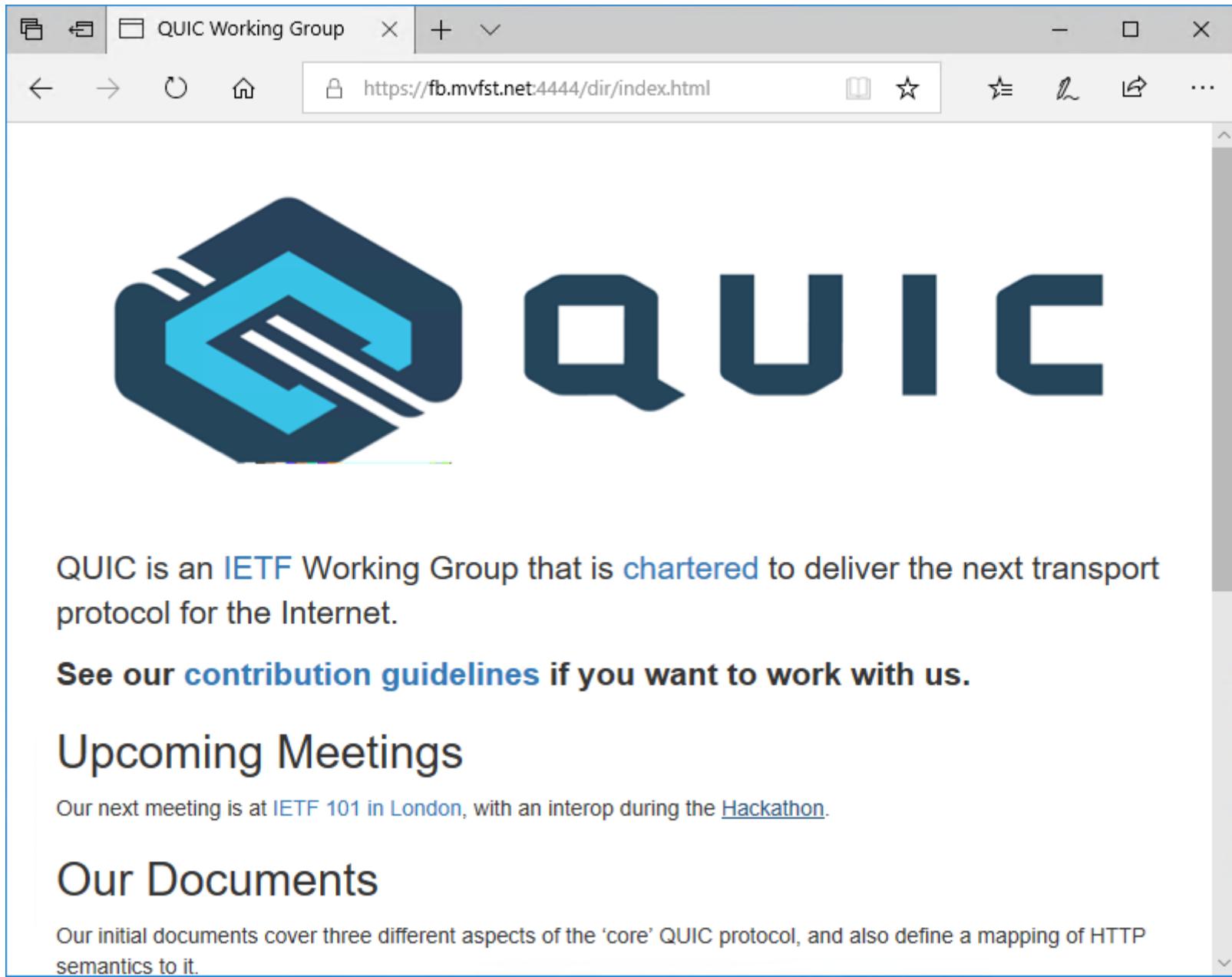
Web server developers: Market share of the top million busiest sites



A high performance server for HTTP, reverse proxy, mail,...

We replace OpenSSL with miTLS & its crypto: the modified server supports TLS 1.3 with tickets and 0-RTT requests.

Concrete Applications



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title bar "QUIC Working Group". The address bar displays the URL <https://fb.mvfst.net:4444/dir/index.html>. The page content features the QUIC logo (a blue hexagon with white diagonal stripes) and the word "QUIC" in large blue letters. Below the logo, text states: "QUIC is an IETF Working Group that is chartered to deliver the next transport protocol for the Internet." A call-to-action link "See our contribution guidelines if you want to work with us." is present. The section "Upcoming Meetings" mentions "IETF 101 in London" and "Hackathon". The final section "Our Documents" notes that initial documents cover aspects of the 'core' QUIC protocol and its mapping to HTTP semantics.

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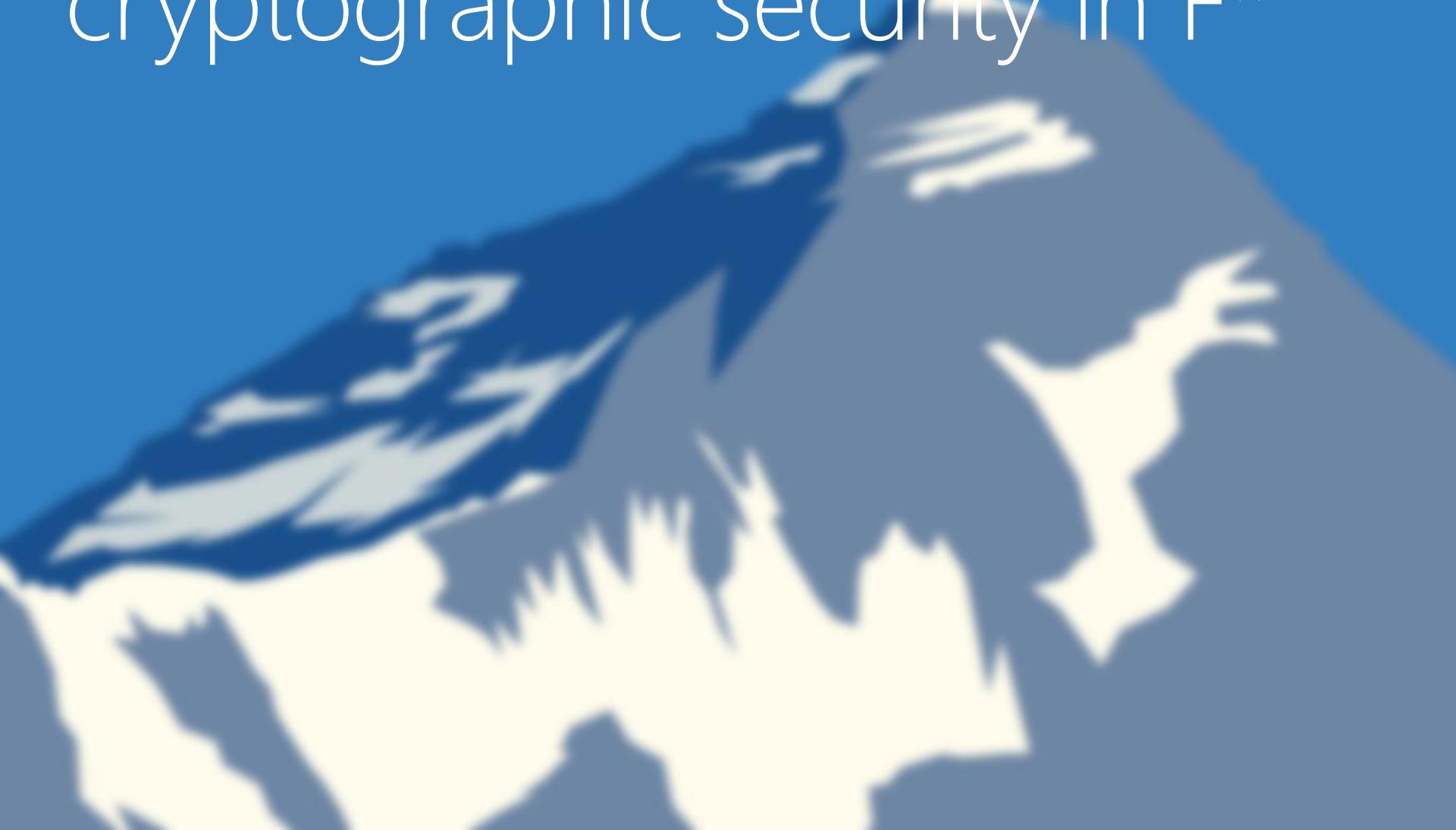
Upcoming Meetings

Our next meeting is at [IETF 101 in London](#), with an interop during the [Hackathon](#).

Our Documents

Our initial documents cover three different aspects of the 'core' QUIC protocol, and also define a mapping of HTTP semantics to it.

Modelling concrete cryptographic security in F*



Cryptographic Integrity: Message Authentication Codes (MAC)

```
module HMAC_SHA256 (* plain *)  
  
type key  
type msg = bytes  
type tag = lbytes 32  
  
val keygen: unit → St key  
val mac: key → msg → tag  
val verify: key → msg → tag → bool
```

This plain interface
says nothing about
the security of
MACs!

Cryptographic Integrity: UF-CMA security (1/3)

```
module HMAC_SHA256
```

```
type key
type msg = bytes
type tag = lbytes 32
val log: mem → key → seq (msg × tag) (* ghost *)

val keygen: unit → ST key
  (ensures  $\lambda h_0 k h_1 \rightarrow \log h_1 k = \text{empty}$ )

val mac: k:key → m:msg → ST tag
  (ensures  $\lambda h_0 t h_1 \rightarrow \log h_1 k = \log h_0 k ++ m \rightsquigarrow t$ )

val verify: k:key → m:msg → t:tag → bool
  (ensures  $\lambda h_0 b h_1 \rightarrow b = \text{mem}(\log h_0 k)(m \rightsquigarrow t)$ )
```

This ideal interface uses a log to specify security

Great for F* verification.

Unrealistic:
tags can be guessed

Idealization

In cryptography, most security properties are defined in terms of indistinguishability games between an **ideal** and a **real** functionality

- Flip a coin b
- Let F be the ideal function if head, the real one if tail
- Let A be a program that can call F and tries to guess b
- The advantage of A is $|Pr(A() = b) - 1/2|$
- The functionality of ϵ -secure if $\text{Adv}(A) \leq \epsilon$

Cryptographic Integrity: UF-CMA security (2/3)

Our ideal interface
reflects the security of a
chosen-message game
[Goldwasser'88]

The MAC scheme is
 ϵ -UF-CMA-secure
against a class of probabilistic,
computationally bounded
attackers when the game
returns **true** with probability
at most ϵ .

UF-CMA programmed in F*

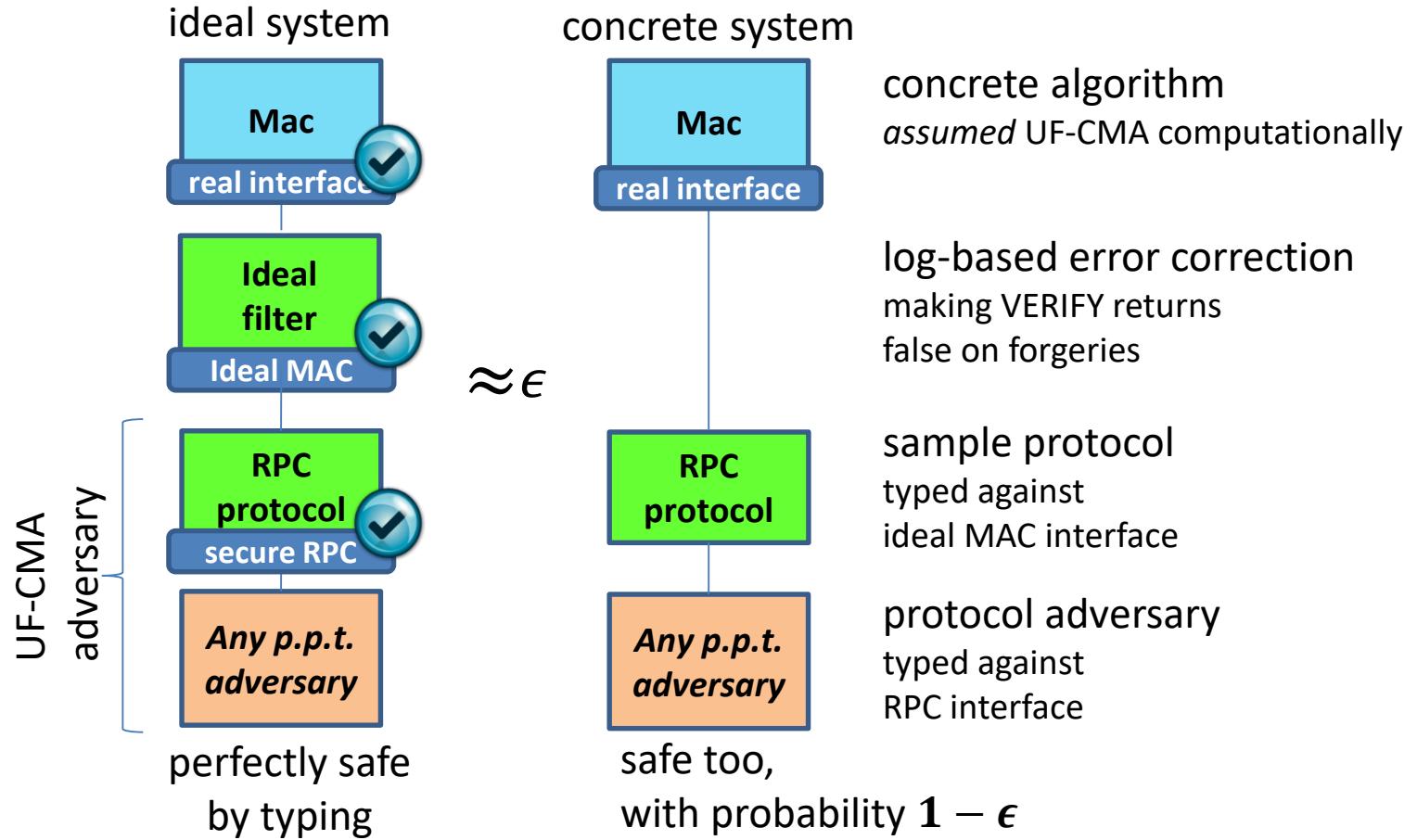
```
let game attacker =
  let k = MAC.keygen() in
  let log = ref empty in

  let oracle msg =
    log := !log ++ msg;
    MAC.mac k msg in

  let msg, forgery = attacker oracle in
  MAC.verify k msg forgery &&
  not (Seq.mem msg !log)
```

$$\frac{\text{Game } \text{Mac}^b(\text{MAC})}{k \xleftarrow{\$} \text{MAC.keygen}(\varepsilon); \log \leftarrow \perp \\ \text{return } \{\text{Mac}, \text{Verify}\}}$$
$$\frac{\text{Oracle } \text{Verify}(m^*, t^*)}{\text{if } b \text{ return } \log = (m^*, t^*) \\ \text{return } \text{MAC.verify}(k, m^*, t^*)}$$
$$\frac{\text{Oracle } \text{Mac}(m)}{\text{if } \log \neq \perp \text{ return } \perp \\ t \leftarrow \text{MAC.mac}(k, m) \\ \text{if } b \wedge r \\ \quad t \xleftarrow{\$} \text{byte}^{\text{MAC}.lt} \\ \log \leftarrow (m, t) \\ \text{return } t}$$

Cryptographic Integrity: UF-CMA security (3/3)



Cryptographic Integrity: Two styles for ideal MACs

```
module MAC (* stateful *)  
  
type key  
val log: mem → key → Seq msg  
  
val keygen:  
  unit → ST key  
(ensures λ h0 k h1 →  
  log h1 k = empty)  
  
val mac:  
  k:key → m:msg → ST tag  
(ensures λ h0 t h1 →  
  log h1 k = log h0 k ++ m)  
  
val verify:  
  k:key → m:msg → t:tag → ST bool  
(ensures λ h0 b h1 →  
  b ==> mem (log h0 k) m)
```

□

```
module MAC (* logical *)  
  
type property: msg → Type  
type key (p:prop)  
  
val keygen:  
  #p:property → St (key p)  
  
val mac:  
  #p: property → key p →  
  m:msg {p m} → St tag  
  
val verify:  
  #p:property → key p → m:msg → tag →  
  St (b:bool {b ==> p m})
```

(* proof idea: maintain a private stateful log: *)

```
type log (p:property) =  
  mref (seq (m:msg {p})) grows
```

Authenticated Encryption



Cryptographic Confidentiality Indistinguishability under Chosen-Plaintext Attacks

```
module Plain

abstract type plain = bytes

val repr: p:plain{¬ ideal} → Tot bytes
val coerce: r:bytes{¬ ideal} → Tot plain

let repr p = p
let coerce r = r

val length: plain → Tot ℕ
let length p = length p
```

We rely on type abstraction:
Ideal encryption never accesses the plaintext, is info-theoretically secure.

Authenticated Encryption: Game-based security assumption

Game $\text{Ae}(\mathcal{A}, \text{AE})$

$$\begin{aligned} b &\xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}; L \leftarrow \emptyset; k \xleftarrow{\$} \text{AE.keygen}() \\ b' &\leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{Encrypt}, \text{Decrypt}}(); \text{return } (b \stackrel{?}{=} b') \end{aligned}$$

Oracle Encrypt(p)

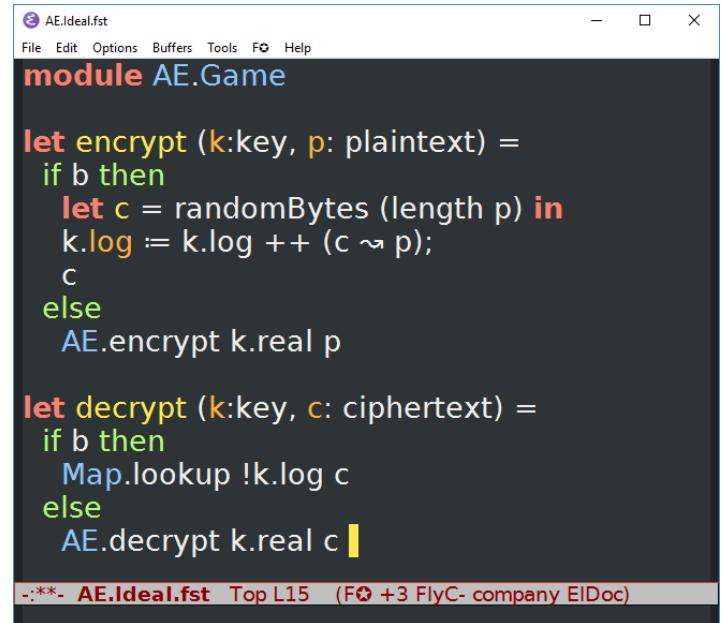
$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } b \text{ then } c &\xleftarrow{\$} \text{byte}^{\ell_c}; L[c] \leftarrow p \\ \text{else } c &\leftarrow \text{AE.encrypt } k \ p \\ \text{return } c \end{aligned}$$

Oracle Decrypt(c)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } b \text{ then } p &\leftarrow L[c] \\ \text{else } p &\leftarrow \text{AE.decrypt } k \ c \\ \text{return } p \end{aligned}$$

Definition 1 (AE-security): Given AE , let $\epsilon_{\text{Ae}}(\mathcal{A}[q_e, q_d])$ be the advantage of an adversary \mathcal{A} that makes q_e queries to Encrypt and q_d queries to Decrypt in the $\text{Ae}^b(\text{AE})$ game.

We program this game in F^* parameterized by a real scheme AE and the flag b



The screenshot shows a F* editor window titled "AE.Ideal.fst". The code defines a module "AE.Game" containing two functions: "encrypt" and "decrypt". The "encrypt" function takes a key "k" and a plaintext "p", and returns a ciphertext "c". It uses a random byte generator "randomBytes" to produce "c". The "decrypt" function takes a key "k" and a ciphertext "c", and returns the original plaintext "p". It uses a map "Map.lookup" to find "p" based on "c" and the log "k.log". The code is annotated with types: "key" and "plaintext" for inputs, and "ciphertext" for outputs.

```
module AE.Game

let encrypt (k:key, p: plaintext) =
  if b then
    let c = randomBytes (length p) in
    k.log := k.log ++ (c ~ p);
    c
  else
    AE.encrypt k.real p

let decrypt (k:key, c: ciphertext) =
  if b then
    Map.lookup !k.log c
  else
    AE.decrypt k.real c
```

We capture its security using types to keep track of the content of the log

Scaling Up: Authenticated Encryption for TLS

Same modelling & verification approach

concrete security: each lossy step documented by a game and a reduction (or an assumption) on paper

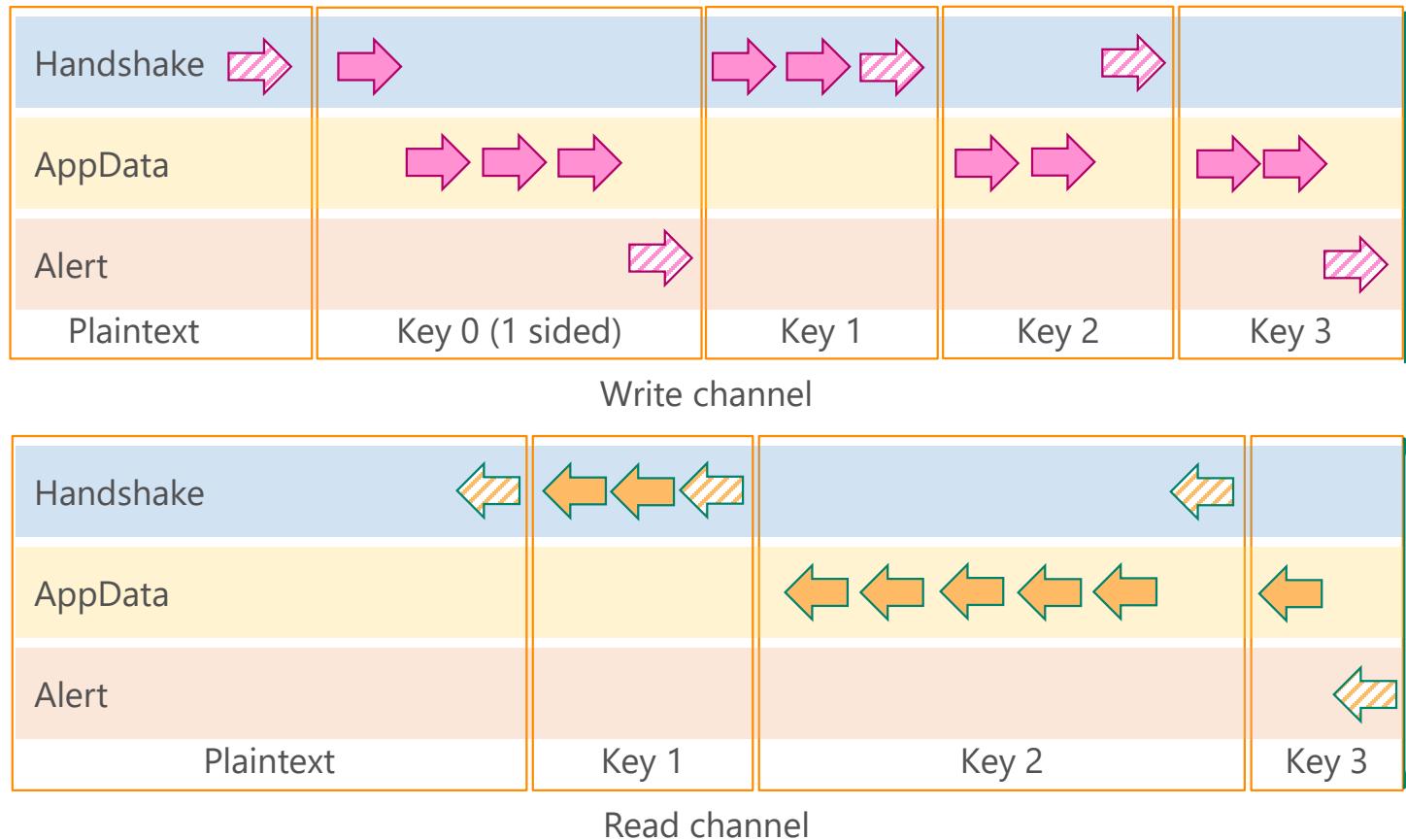
Standardized complications

- multiple algorithms and constructions (crypto agility)
- multiple keys
- conditional security (crypto strength, compromise)
- wire format, fragmentation, padding
- stateful (stream encryption)

Poor TLS track record

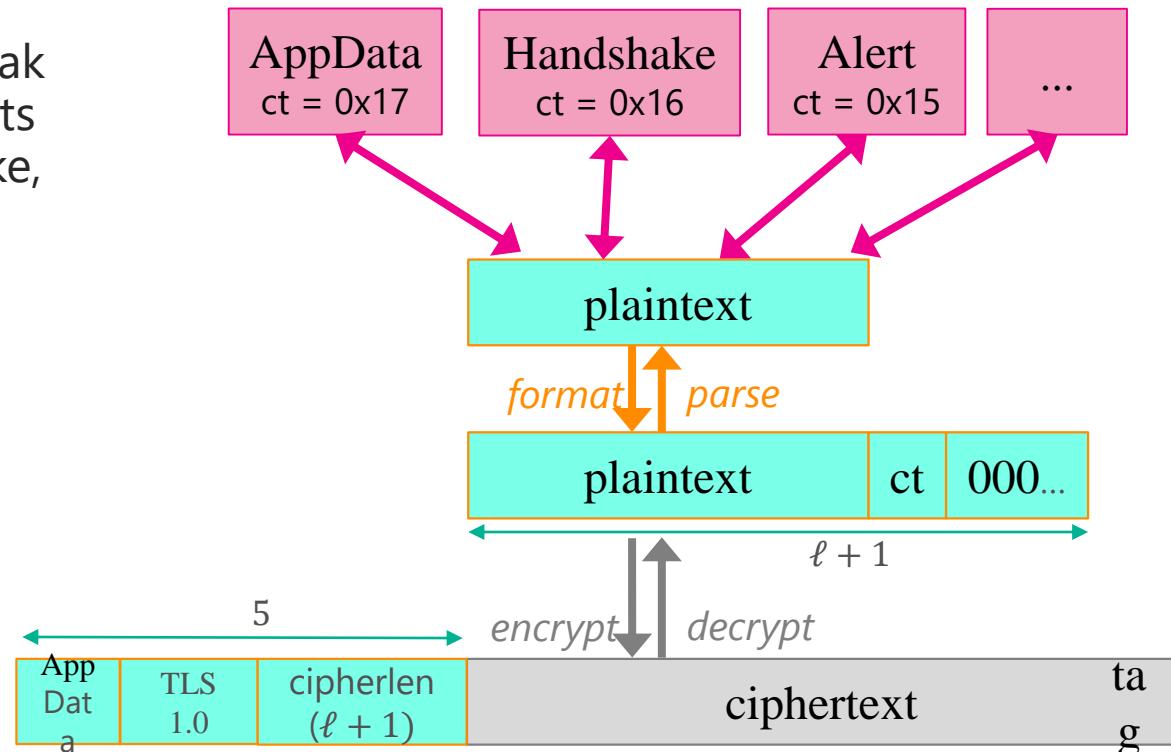
- Many implementation flaws
- Attacks on weak cryptography (MD5, SHA1, ...)
- Attacks on weak constructions (MAC-Encode-then-Encrypt)
- Attacks on compression
- Persistent side channels
- Persistent truncation attacks

The TLS Record Layer



The TLS Record Layer (TLS 1.3)

TLS 1.3 gets rid of weak constructions, encrypts parts of the handshake, introduces plenty of auxiliary keys

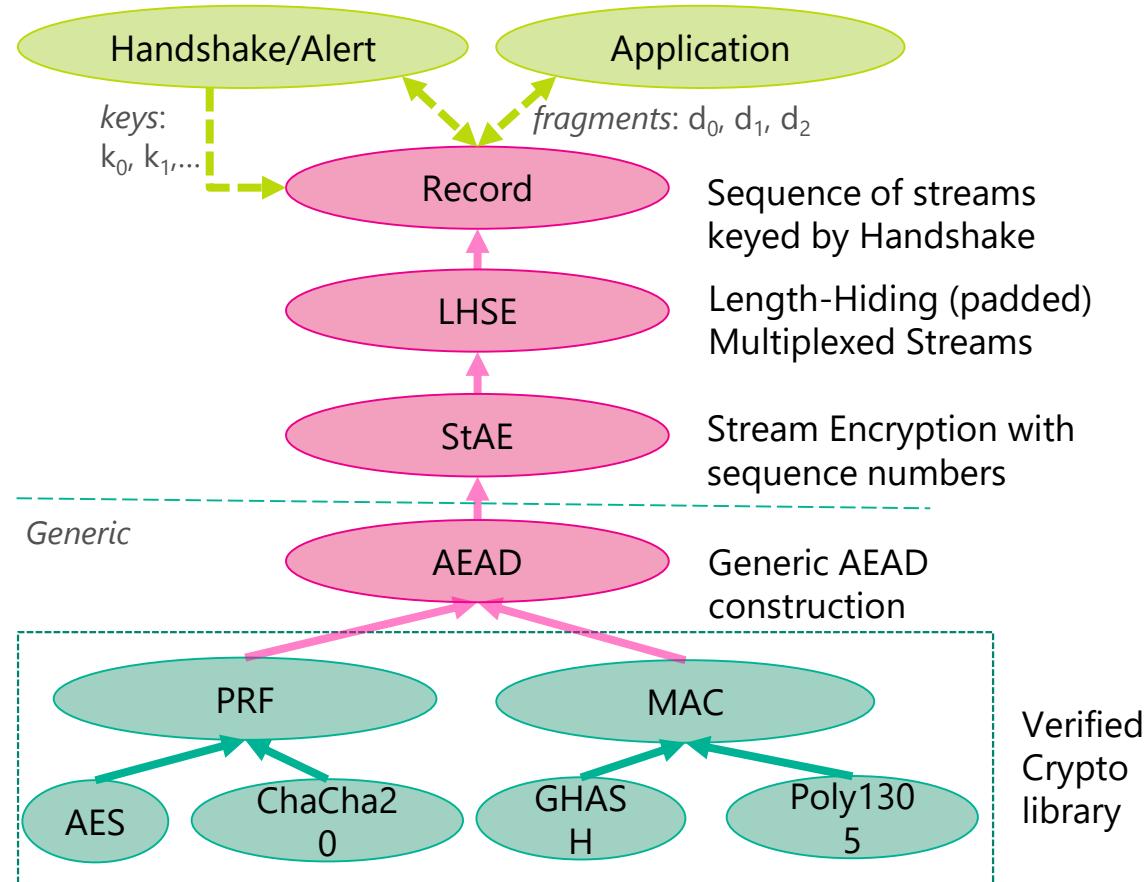


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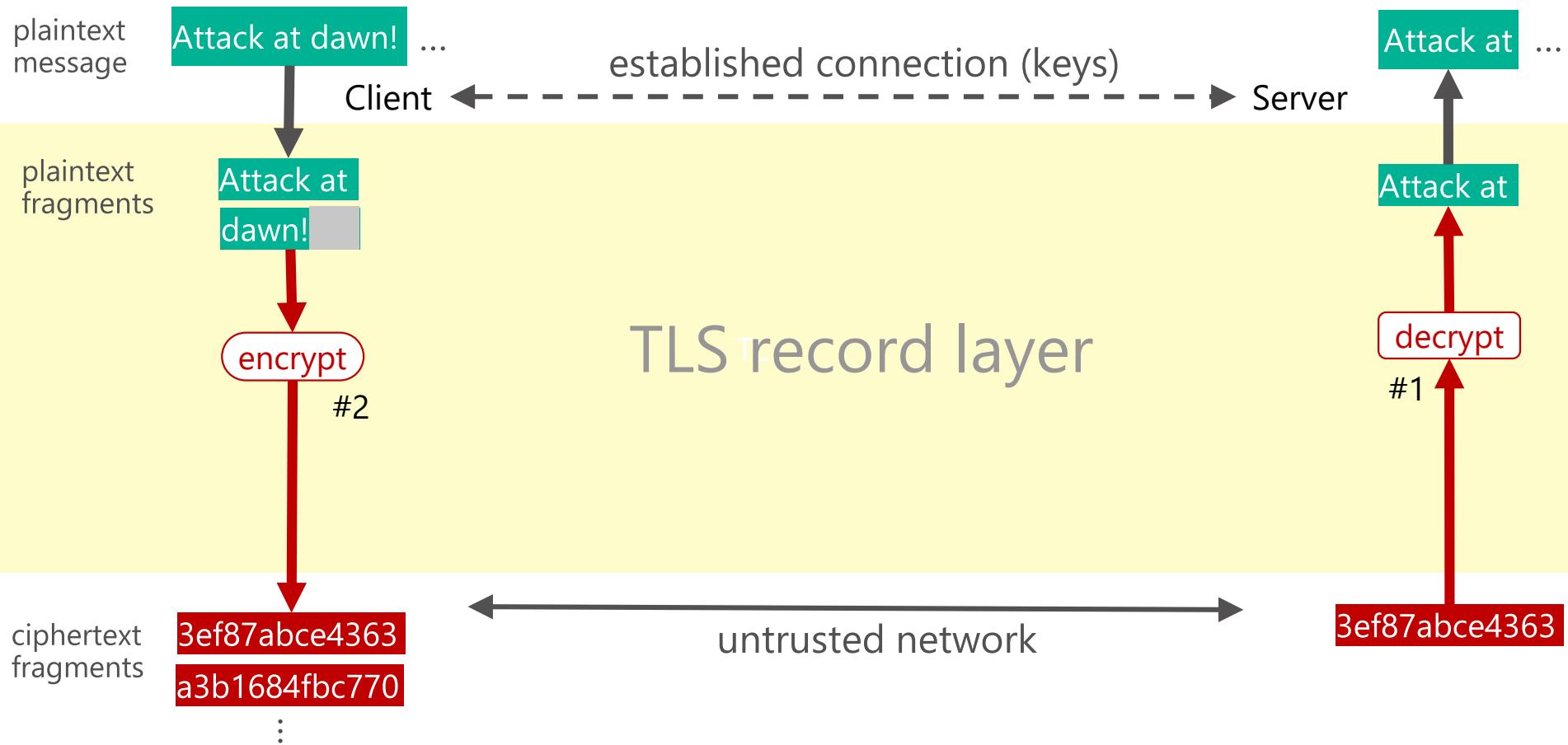
We model record-layer security using a game at every level of the construction.

We make code-based security assumptions on the crypto primitives (PRF, MAC)

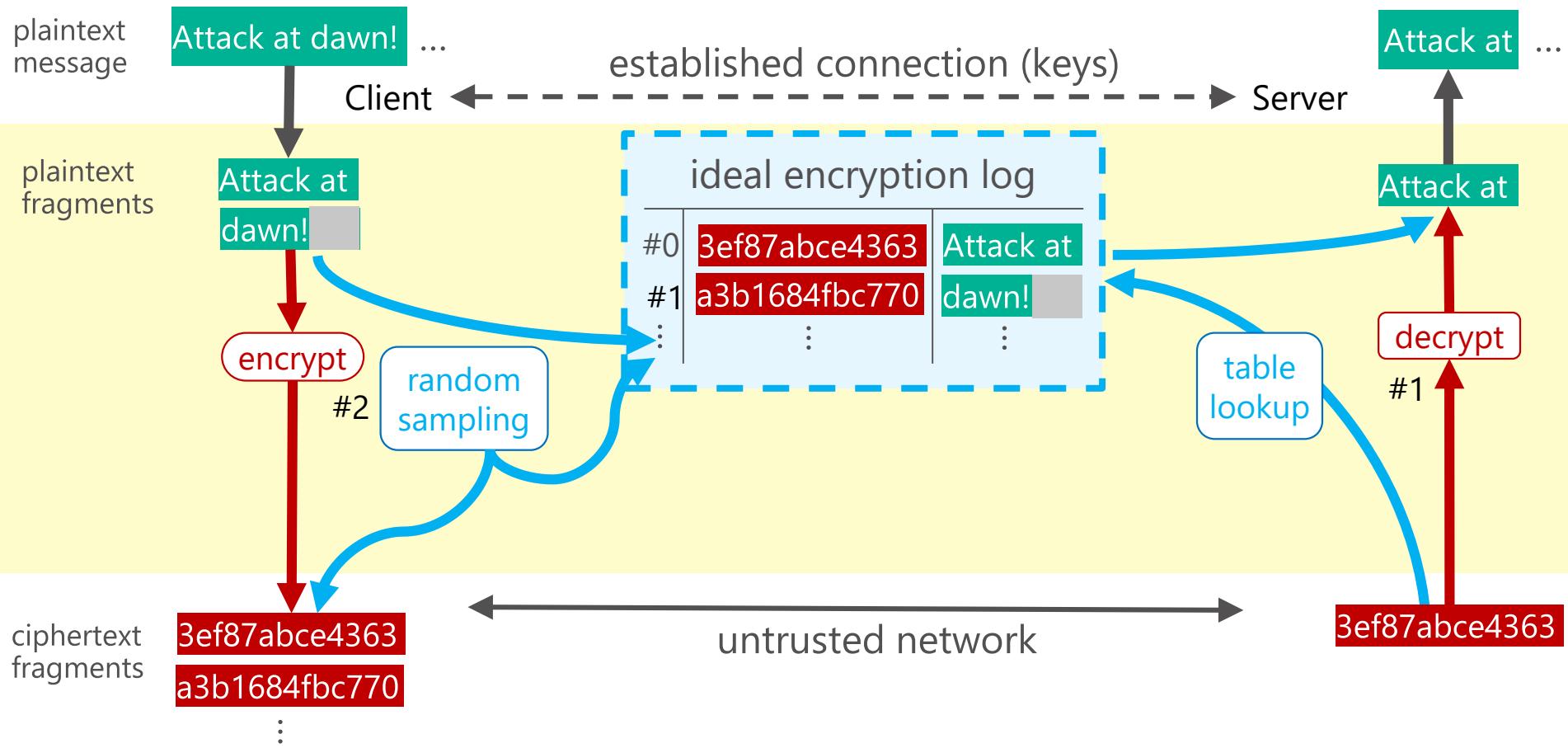
We obtain security guarantees at the top-level API for the TLS record layer

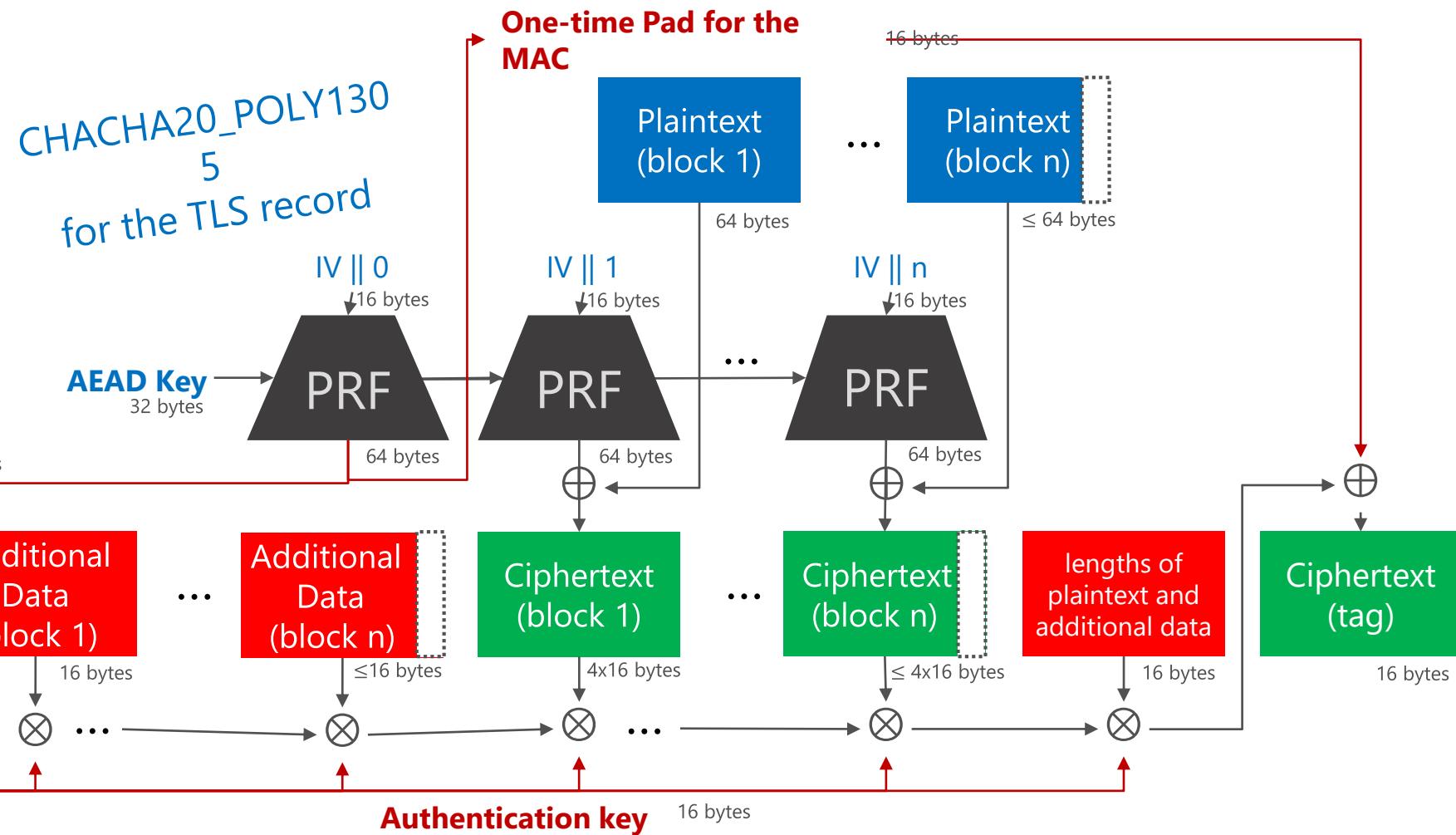


Stream Encryption: Security Definition



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Stream Encryption: Assumptions

One-Time MACs (INT-CMA1)

Game UF-1CMA(\mathcal{A} , MAC)

$$k \xleftarrow{\$} \text{MAC.keygen}(\varepsilon); \log \leftarrow \perp$$
$$(m^*, t^*) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{Mac}}$$
return MAC.verify(k, m^*, t^*)
 $\wedge \log \neq (m^*, t^*)$

Oracle Mac(m)

if $\log \neq \perp$ **return** \perp
 $t \leftarrow \text{MAC.mac}(k, m)$
 $\log \leftarrow (m, t)$
return t

Ciphers (IND-PRF)

Game Prf^b(PRF)

 $T \leftarrow \emptyset$
 $k \xleftarrow{\$} \text{PRF.keygen}()$ **return** {Eval}

Oracle Eval(m)

if $T[m] = \perp$
 if b **then** $T[m] \xleftarrow{\$} \text{byte}^{\ell_b}$
 else $T[m] \leftarrow \text{PRF.eval}(k, m)$
return $T[m]$

For both GF128 or Poly1305,
we get strong probabilistic security.

Assumed for AES and Chacha20

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return $T[m]$

Construction:
authenticated materials and their
lengths are encoded as coefficients of a polynomial
in a field (GF128 or $2^{130}-5$)
The MAC is the polynomial evaluated
at a random point, then masked.
We get strong probabilistic security.

Modelling:
we use a variant with specialized
oracles for each usage of the resulting
blocks

- as one-time MAC key materials
- as one-time pad for encryption
- as one-time pad for decryption

Stream Encryption: Construction

many kinds of proofs
not just code safety!

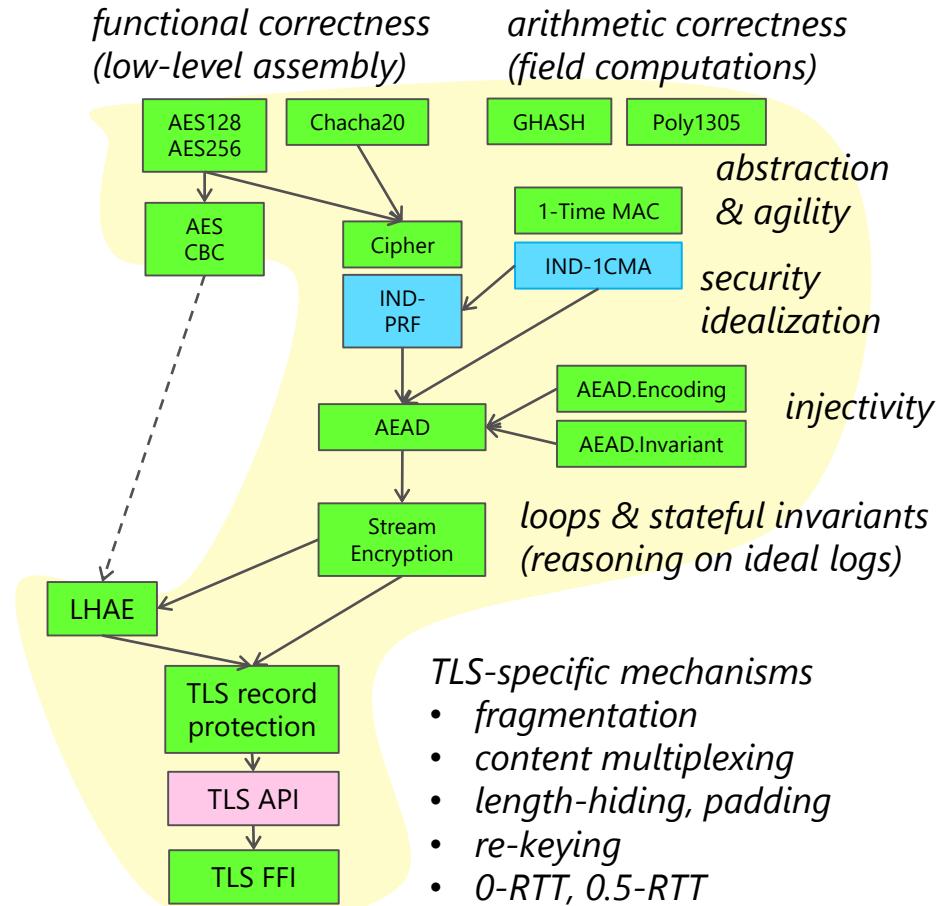
Given

- a cipher, modelled as a pseudo-random function
- a field for computing one-time MACs
- injective message encodings

We program and verify a generic authenticated stream encryption with associated data.

We show

- safety
- functional correctness
- security (reduction to PRF assumption)
- concrete security bounds for the 3 main record ciphersuites of TLS



Stream Encryption: Concrete Bounds

Theorem: the 3 main record ciphersuites for TLS 1.2 and 1.3 are secure, except with probabilities

Ciphersuite	$\epsilon_{\text{Lhse}}(\mathcal{A}[q_e, q_d]) \leq$
General bound	$\epsilon_{\text{Prf}}(\mathcal{B}[q_e(1 + \lceil (2^{14} + 1)/\ell_b \rceil) + q_d + j_0]) + \epsilon_{\text{MMac1}}(\mathcal{C}[2^{14} + 1 + 46, q_d, q_e + q_d])$
ChaCha20-Poly1305	$\epsilon_{\text{Prf}}(\mathcal{B}\left[q_e \left(1 + \left\lceil \frac{(2^{14}+1)}{64} \right\rceil\right) + q_d\right]) + \frac{q_d}{2^{93}}$
AES128-GCM	$\epsilon_{\text{Prp}}(\mathcal{B}[q_b]) + \frac{q_b^2}{2^{129}} + \frac{q_d}{2^{118}}$
AES256-GCM	where $q_b = q_e(1 + \lceil (2^{14} + 1)/16 \rceil) + q_d + 1$
AES128-GCM	$\frac{q_e}{2^{24.5}} (\epsilon_{\text{Prp}}(\mathcal{B}[2^{34.5}]) + \frac{1}{2^{60}} + \frac{1}{2^{56}})$
AES128-GCM	with re-keying every $2^{24.5}$ records (counting q_b for all streams, and $q_d \leq 2^{60}$ per stream)

q_e is the number of encrypted records;

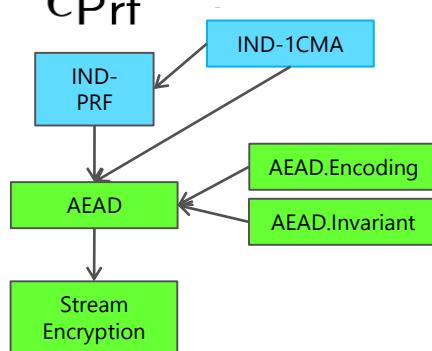
q_d is the number of chosen-ciphertext decryptions;

q_b is the total number of blocks for the PRF

*Probabilistic proof
(on paper) in abstract
field + F* verification*

Standard crypto assumption

$$\epsilon_{\text{MMac1}} = \frac{d \cdot \tau \cdot q_v}{|R|}$$



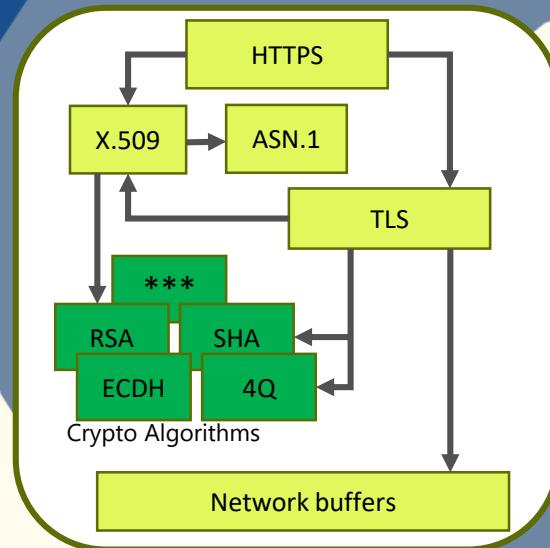
$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{\text{Lhse}}(\mathcal{A}[q_e, q_d]) \\ = \epsilon_{\text{Prf}} + \epsilon_{\text{MMac1}} \end{aligned}$$

F type-based verification on code
formalizing game-based reduction*

Stream Encryption: Verification Effort

Module Name	Verification Goals	LoC	% annot	ML LoC	C LoC	Time
StreamAE AEADProvider	Game StAE^b from §VI Safety and AEAD security (high-level interface)	318 412	40% 30%	354 497	N/A N/A	307s 349s
Crypto.AEAD Crypto.Plain Crypto.AEAD.Encoding	Proof of Theorem 2 from §V Plaintext module for AEAD AEAD encode function from §V and injectivity proof	5,253 133 478	90% 40% 60%	2,738 95 280	2,373 85 149	1,474s 8s 708s
Crypto.Symmetric.PRF Crypto.Symmetric.Cipher Crypto.Symmetric.AES Crypto.Symmetric.Chacha20	Game PrfCtr^b from §IV Agile PRF functionality Safety and correctness w.r.t pure specification	587 193 1,254 965	40% 30% 30% 80%	522 237 4,672 296	767 270 3,379 119	74s 65s 134s 826s
Crypto.Symmetric.UF1CMA Crypto.Symmetric.MAC Crypto.Symmetric.GF128 Crypto.Symmetric.Poly1305 Hacl.Bignum	Game MMac1^b from §III Agile MAC functionality $GF(128)$ polynomial evaluation and GHASH encoding $GF(2^{130}-5)$ polynomial evaluation and Poly1305 encoding Bignum library and supporting lemmas for the functional correctness of field operations	617 488 306 604 3,136	60% 50% 40% 70% 90%	277 239 335 231 1,310	467 399 138 110 529	428s 387s 85s 245s 425s
FStar.Buffer.*	A verified model of mutable buffers (implemented natively)	1,340	100%	N/A	N/A	563s
Total		15,480	78%	12,083	8,795	1h 41m

Verified High-Assurance Crypto Libraries



Design goals

- Low-level implementations
- Functional correctness wrt pure specification
- Runtime safety (e.g. memory safety)
- Side-channel resistance

Does functional correctness matter?

- Bugs happen: 3 fresh ones just in OpenSSL's poly1305.

"These produce wrong results. The first example does so only on 32 bit, the other three also on 64 bit."

"I believe this affects both the SSE2 and AVX2 code. It does seem to be dependent on this input pattern."

"I'm probably going to write something to generate random inputs and stress all your other poly1305 code paths against a reference implementation."

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You know the drill. See the attached poly1305_test2.c.

```
$ OPENSSL_ia32cap=0 ./poly1305_test2
PASS
$ ./poly1305_test2
Poly1305 test failed.
got: 2637408fe03086ea73f971e3425e2820
expected: 2637408fe13086ea73f971e3425e2820
```

I believe this affects both the SSE2 and AVX2 code. It does seem to be dependent on this input pattern.

This was found because a run of our SSL tests happened to find a problematic input. I've trimmed it down to the first block where they

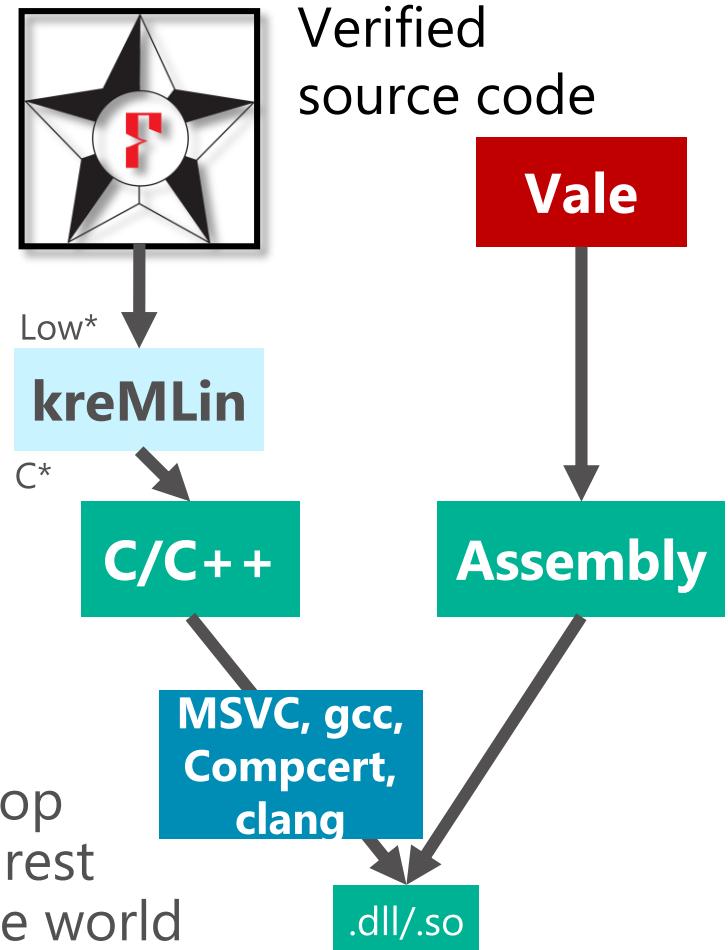
.pl

Does memory safety matter?

- Most real-world vulnerabilities are memory safety errors
- Program verification tools often use memory-managed functional languages
- These languages are too slow, and GC introduces new side channels that are hard to mitigate

Crypto verification & compilation Toolchain

1. Compile restricted subset of verified source code to **efficient C/C++** ; or
2. Use a DSL for **portable verified assembly** code



Sample crypto algorithm in OpenSSL

- Hand-crafted mix of Perl and assembly
- Customized for 50+ hardware platforms
- Why?

Performance!
several bytes/cycle

```
sub BODY_00_15 {
my ($i,$a,$b,$c,$d,$e,$f,$g,$h) = @_;
$code.=<<__ if ($i<16);
#if __ARM_ARCH_=7
    @ ldr $t1,[&$inp],#4 @ $i
# if $i==15
    str $inp,[sp,#17*4] @ make room for $t4
#endif
    eor $t0,$e,$e,ror#$Sigma1[1]-$Sigma1[0]` 
    add $a,$a,$t2 @ h+=Maj(a,b,c) from the past
    eor $t0,$t0,$e,ror#$`$Sigma1[2]-$Sigma1[0]`@ Sigma1(e,
#ifndef __ARMEB__
    rev $t1,$t1
#endif
#else
    @ ldrb $t1,[&$inp,#3] @ $i
    add $a,$a,$t2 @ h+=Maj(a,b,c) from the past
    ldrb $t2,[&$inp,#2]
    ldrb $t0,[&$inp,#1]
    orr $t1,$t1,$t2,lsl#8
    ldrb $t2,[&$inp],#4
    orr $t1,$t1,$t0,lsl#16
#endif $i==15
    str $inp,[sp,#17*4] @ make room for $t4
#endif
    eor $t0,$e,$e,ror#$`$Sigma1[1]-$Sigma1[0]` 
    orr $t1,$t1,$t2,lsl#24
    eor $t0,$t0,$e,ror#$`$Sigma1[2]-$Sigma1[0]`@ Sigma1(e,
#endif
```

Sample crypto algorithm: poly1305

$$MAC(k, m, \vec{w}) = m + \sum_{i=1..|\vec{w}|} w_i * k^i$$

Authenticate data by

1. Encoding it as a polynomial in the prime field $2^{130} - 5$
2. Evaluating it at a random point: the first part of the key k
3. Masking the result using the second part of the key m

Sample crypto algorithm: poly1305

$$MAC(k, m, \vec{w}) = m + \sum_{i=1..|\vec{w}|} w_i * k^i$$

Security?

If the sender and the receiver disagree on the data \vec{w} then the difference of their polynomials is not null.

Its evaluation at a random k is 0 with probability $\approx \frac{|\vec{w}|}{2^{130}}$

Specifying, programming & verifying poly1305



Sample F* code:
the spec for the
multiplicative MAC
used in TLS 1.3

Its verified optimized
implementation for x64
takes 3K+ LOCs

```
Spec.Poly1305.fst
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module Spec.Poly1305

(* Mathematical specification of multiplicative
hash in the prime field  $2^{130} - 5$  *)

let prime =  $2^{130} - 5$ 

type elem = e:N{e < prime}

let a +@ b = (a + b) % prime
let a *@ b = (a × b) % prime

let encode (word:bytes {length w ≤ 8}): elem =
   $2^{(8 \times \text{length word})} + @ \text{little\_endian word}$ 

let rec poly (text: seq bytes) (r: elem): elem =
  if Seq.length text = 0 then 0
  else encode (Seq.head text)) +@ poly (Seq.tail text) r *@ r

-**- Spec.Poly1305.fst Top L19 Git-dev (F+ +3)
```

Sample crypto algorithm: poly1305

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A typical 64-bit arithmetic implementation:

1. Represent elements of the prime field for $p = 2^{130} - 5$ using 3 limbs holding $42 + 44 + 44$ bits in 64-bit registers
2. Use $(a \cdot 2^{130} + b) \% p = (a + 4a + b) \% p$ for reductions
3. Unfold loop

Low*: low-level programming in F*

We must get to Low*
after typing, erasure,
and much inlining

- Compile-time error otherwise
- Goal: zero implicit heap allocations
- Non-goal: bootstrapping
and high-level modelling
(we have F*/OCaml for that)

Machine arithmetic

- Static checks for overflows
- Explicit coercions

Not the usual ML
memory

Infix pointer arithmetic
(erased lengths)

Static tracking of

- Liveness & index ranges
- Stack allocation
- Manual allocation
- Regions

No F* hack! Just libraries.

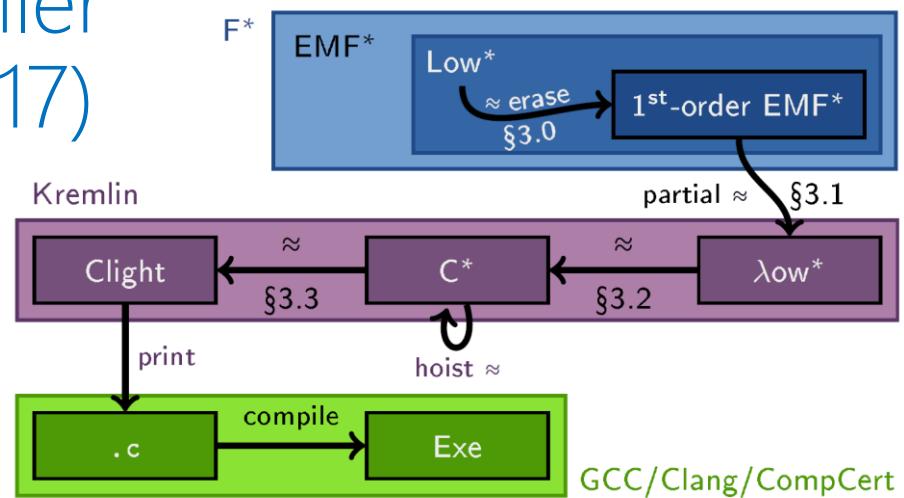
Low*: a subset of F* for safe C-style programming

Supports compilation to C, in nearly 1-1 correspondence,
for auditability of our generated code

Features a C-like view of memory (pointer arithmetic with verified safety)

KreMLin: a new compiler from Low* to C (ICFP'17)

- Semantics preserving from Low* to CompCert Clight
- Also: does not introduce memory-based side channels
- Then compile C using mainstream compilers
- Or, CompCert



KreMLin: from F* to Low* to C* to C

- Why C/C++ ???
 - Performance, portability
 - Predictability (GC vs side channels)
 - Interop (mix'n match)
 - Readability, transparency (code review)
 - Adoption, maintenance
- Formal translations
- Various backends
 - Clang/LLVM; gcc
 - Compcert, with verified translation from C* to Clight

- What KreMLin does
 - Monomorphization of dependent types
 - Data types to flat tagged unions
 - Compilation of pattern matching
 - From expressions to statements (hoisting)
 - Name-disambiguation (C's block-scoping)
 - Inlining (in-scope closures, stackInline)
- Early results for HACL*: high assurance crypto library
 - 15 KLOCs of type-safe, partially-verified elliptic curves, symmetric encryption...
 - Up to 150x speedup/ocamlopt
 - Down by 50% vs C/C++ libraries

Low* Poly1305 compiled to C

The image shows two code editors side-by-side, illustrating the compilation process from a formal specification to C code.

Left Editor (HaclImpl.Poly1305_64.fst):

```
[@"substitute"]
val poly1305_last_pass_:
acc:felem →
Stack unit
  (requires (λ h → live h acc ∧ bounds (as_seq h acc) p44 p44 p42))
(ensures (λ h0_h1 → live h0 acc ∧ bounds (as_seq h0 acc) p44 p44 p42
  ∧ live h1 acc ∧ bounds (as_seq h1 acc) p44 p44 p42
  ∧ modifies_1 acc h0 h1
  ∧ as_seq h1 acc == Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.poly1305_last_pass_spec_ (as_seq h0 acc)))

[@"substitute"]
let poly1305_last_pass_acc =
let a0 = acc.(0ul) in
let a1 = acc.(1ul) in
let a2 = acc.(2ul) in
let open Hacl.Bignum.Limb in
let mask0 = gte_mask a0 Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p44m5 in
let mask1 = eq_mask a1 Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p44m1 in
let mask2 = eq_mask a2 Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p42m1 in
let mask = mask0 &^ mask1 &^ mask2 in
UInt.logand_lemma_1 (v mask0); UInt.logand_lemma_1 (v mask1); UInt.logand_lemma_1 (v mask2);
UInt.logand_lemma_2 (v mask0); UInt.logand_lemma_2 (v mask1); UInt.logand_lemma_2 (v mask2);
UInt.logand_associative (v mask0) (v mask1) (v mask2);
cut (v mask = UInt.ones 64 == (v a0 ≥ pow2 44 - 5 ∧ v a1 = pow2 44 - 1 ∧ v a2 = pow2 42 - 1));
UInt.logand_lemma_1 (v Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p44m5); UInt.logand_lemma_1 (v Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p44m1);
UInt.logand_lemma_1 (v Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p42m1); UInt.logand_lemma_2 (v Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p44m5);
UInt.logand_lemma_2 (v Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p44m1); UInt.logand_lemma_2 (v Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p42m1);
let a0' = a0 -^ (Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p44m5 &^ mask) in
let a1' = a1 -^ (Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p44m1 &^ mask) in
let a2' = a2 -^ (Hacl.Spec.Poly1305_64.p42m1 &^ mask) in
upd_3 acc a0' a1' a2'
```

Right Editor (Poly1305_64.c):

```
static void Hacl_Impl_Poly1305_64_poly1305_last_pass(uint64_t *acc)
{
    Hacl_Bignum_Fproduct_carry_limb_(acc);
    Hacl_Bignum_Modulo_carry_top(acc);
    uint64_t a0 = acc[0];
    uint64_t a10 = acc[1];
    uint64_t a20 = acc[2];
    uint64_t a0_ = a0 & (uint64_t )0xffffffffffff;
    uint64_t r0 = a0 >> (uint32_t )44;
    uint64_t a1_ = (a10 + r0) & (uint64_t )0xffffffffffff;
    uint64_t r1 = (a10 + r0) >> (uint32_t )44;
    uint64_t a2_ = a20 + r1;
    acc[0] = a0_;
    acc[1] = a1_;
    acc[2] = a2_;
    Hacl_Bignum_Modulo_carry_top(acc);
    uint64_t i0 = acc[0];
    uint64_t i1 = acc[1];
    uint64_t i0_ = i0 & (((uint64_t )1 << (uint32_t )44) - (uint64_t )1);
    uint64_t i1_ = i1 + (i0 >> (uint32_t )44);
    acc[0] = i0_;
    acc[1] = i1_;
    uint64_t a00 = acc[0];
    uint64_t a1 = acc[1];
    uint64_t a2 = acc[2];
    uint64_t mask0 = FStar_UInt64_gte_mask(a00, (uint64_t )0xffffffffffff);
    uint64_t mask1 = FStar_UInt64_eq_mask(a1, (uint64_t )0xffffffffffff);
    uint64_t mask2 = FStar_UInt64_eq_mask(a2, (uint64_t )0x3fffffffff);
    uint64_t mask = mask0 & mask1 & mask2;
    uint64_t a0_0 = a00 - ((uint64_t )0xffffffffffff & mask);
    uint64_t a1_0 = a1 - ((uint64_t )0xffffffffffff & mask);
    uint64_t a2_0 = a2 - ((uint64_t )0x3fffffffff & mask);
    acc[0] = a0_0;
    acc[1] = a1_0;
    acc[2] = a2_0;
}
```

Performance for verified C code compiled from F*

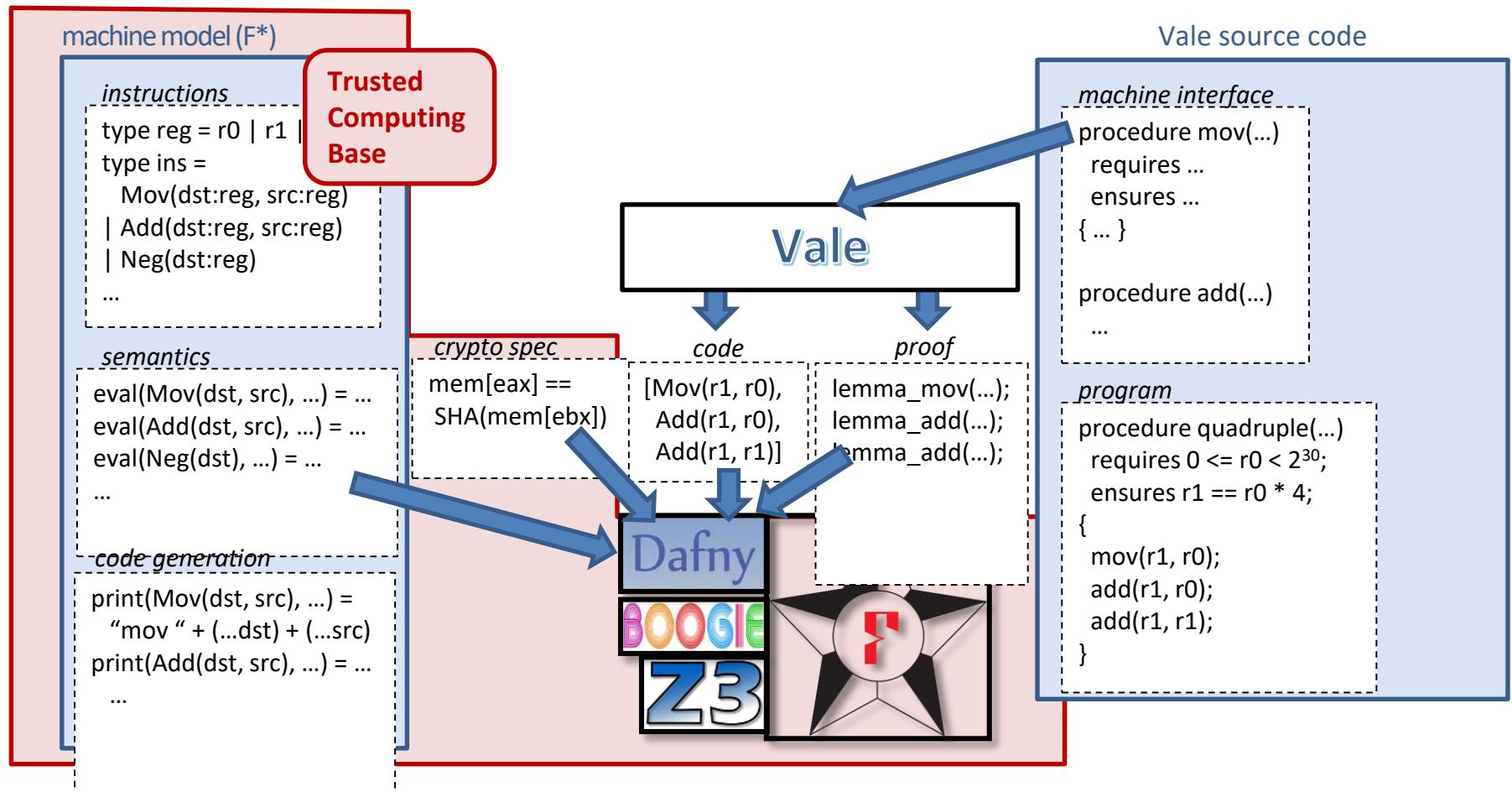
As fast as best hand-written
portable C implementations

Algorithm	HACL*	OpenSSL
ChaCha20	6.17 cy/B	8.04 cy/B
Poly1305	2.07 cy/B	2.16 cy/B
Curve25519	157k cy/mul	359k cy/mul

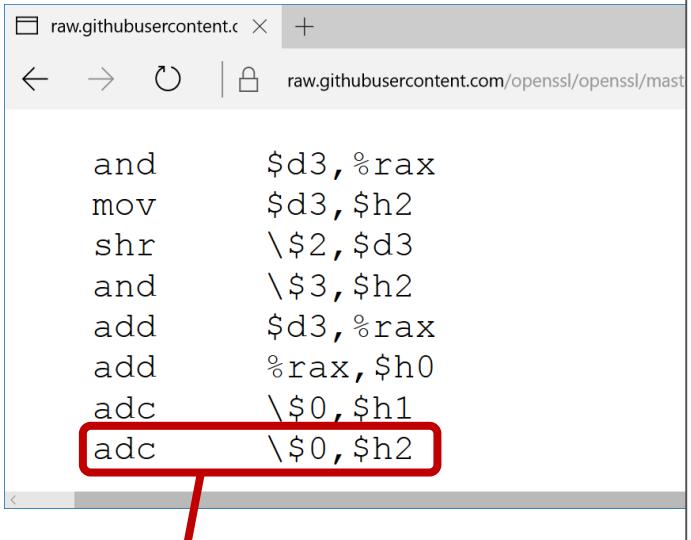
Still slower than best hand-written
assembly language implementations

Vale: extensible, automated assembly language verification (Usenix'17)

functional correctness & side-channel protection



OpenSSL Poly1305



```
raw.githubusercontent.com/openssl/openssl/master/include/poly1305.h
...
procedure poly1305_reduce()
{
    ...
    And64(rax, d3);
    Mov64(h2, d3);
    Shr64(d3, 2);
    And64(h2, 3);
    Add64Wrap(rax, d3);
    Add64Wrap(h0, rax);
    Adc64Wrap(h1, 0);
    Adc64Wrap(h2, 0);
    ...
}
```

The screenshot shows a GitHub raw file containing assembly code. A red box highlights the instruction `adc \$0, $h2`. A red arrow points from the text "Bug! This carry was originally missing!" to this instruction.

Bug! This carry was originally missing!

```
procedure poly1305_reduce()
```

```
...
```

```
{
```

```
...
```

```
And64(rax, d3);
```

```
Mov64(h2, d3);
```

```
Shr64(d3, 2);
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```
And64(h2, 3);
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Add64Wrap(rax, d3);
```

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Add64Wrap(h0, rax);
```

```
Adc64Wrap(h1, 0);
```

```
Adc64Wrap(h2, 0);
```

```
...
```

```
}
```

Vale Poly1305

Vale Poly1305

```
procedure poly1305_reduce() returns(ghost hOut:int)
```

```
let
```

```
    n := 0x1_0000_0000_0000_0000;  
    p := 4 * n * n - 5;  
    hIn := (n * n) * d3 + n * h1 + h0;  
    d3 @= r10; h0 @= r14; h1 @= rbx; h2 @= rbp;
```

```
modifies
```

```
    rax; r10; r14; rbx; rbp; efl;
```

```
requires
```

```
    d3 / 4 * 5 < n;  
    rax == n - 4;
```

```
ensures
```

```
    hOut % p == hIn % p;  
    hOut == (n * n) * h2 + n * h1 + h0;  
    h2 < 5;
```

```
{
```

```
    lemma_BitwiseAdd64();
```

```
    lemma_poly_bits64();
```

```
    And64(rax, d3)...Adc64Wrap(h2, 0);
```

```
    ghost var h10 := n * old(h1) + old(h0);
```

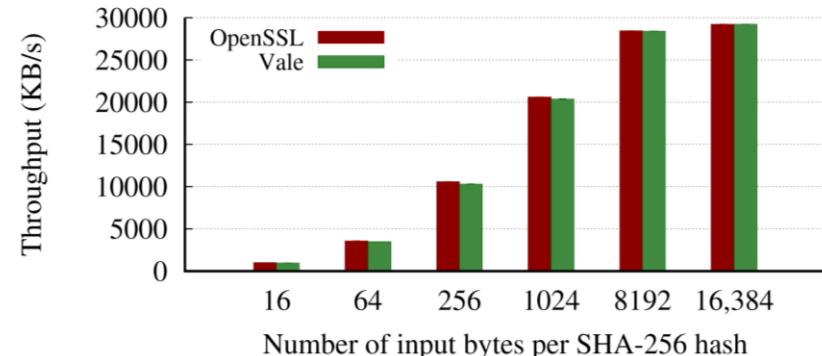
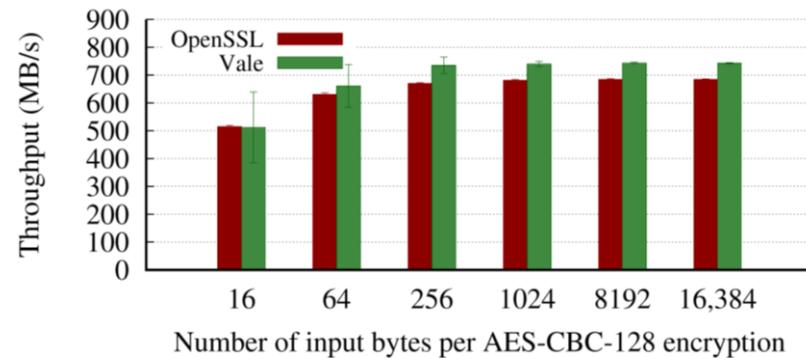
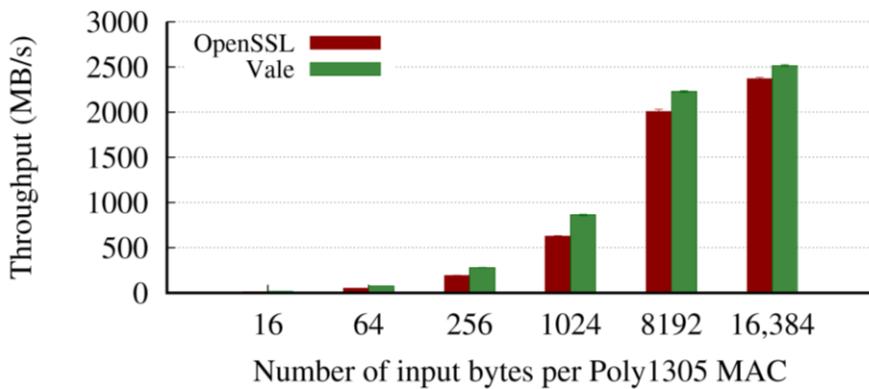
```
    hOut := h10 + rax + (old(d3) % 4) * (n * n);
```

```
    lemma_poly_reduce(n, p, hIn, old(d3), h10, rax, hOut); }
```

```
And64(rax, d3);  
Mov64(h2, d3);  
Shr64(d3, 2);  
And64(h2, 3);  
Add64Wrap(rax, d3);  
Add64Wrap(h0, rax);  
Adc64Wrap(h1, 0);  
Adc64Wrap(h2, 0);
```

Performance: OpenSSL vs. Vale

- AES: OpenSSL with SIMD, AES-NI
- Poly1305 and SHA-256: OpenSSL non-SIMD assembly language
(same assembly for OpenSSL, Vale)

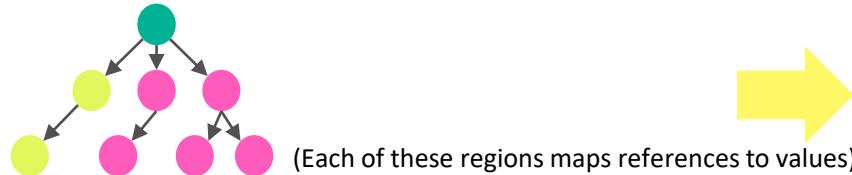


Verified interoperability between Low* and Vale

(Sneak peek of work in progress)

Goals: **End-to-end** functional correctness and side-channel resistance

Reconcile the memory models of Low* and Vale



Low* has a structured memory model



Vale memory is a flat array of bytes

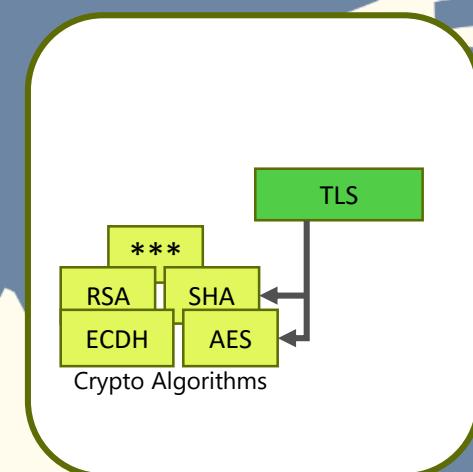


Enhance the Low* memory model to also have a flat array of bytes view and update it, *transparently*

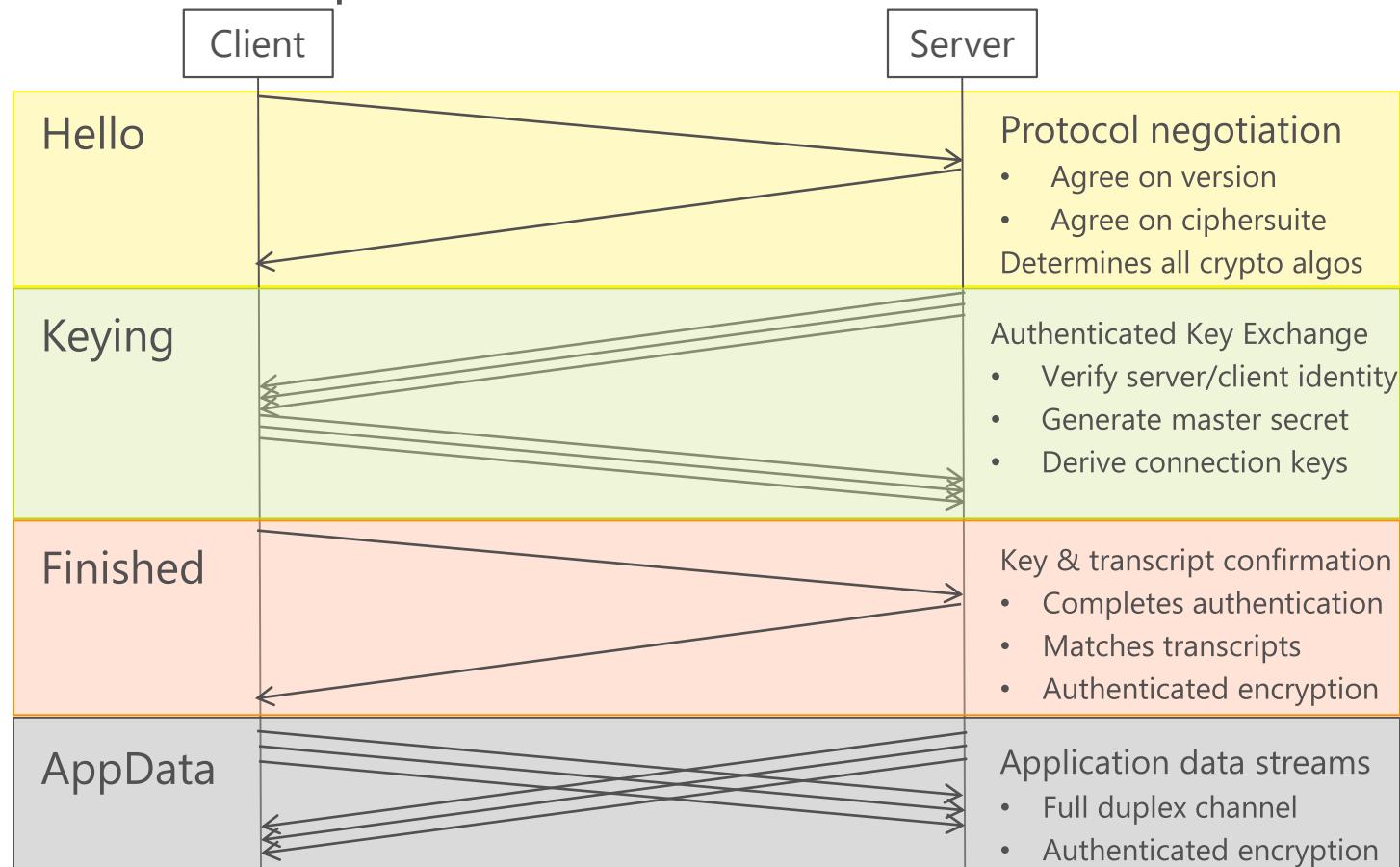
Compose the two specs

Reflect changes performed by the Vale code in the structured view, *allowing for temporary inconsistencies*

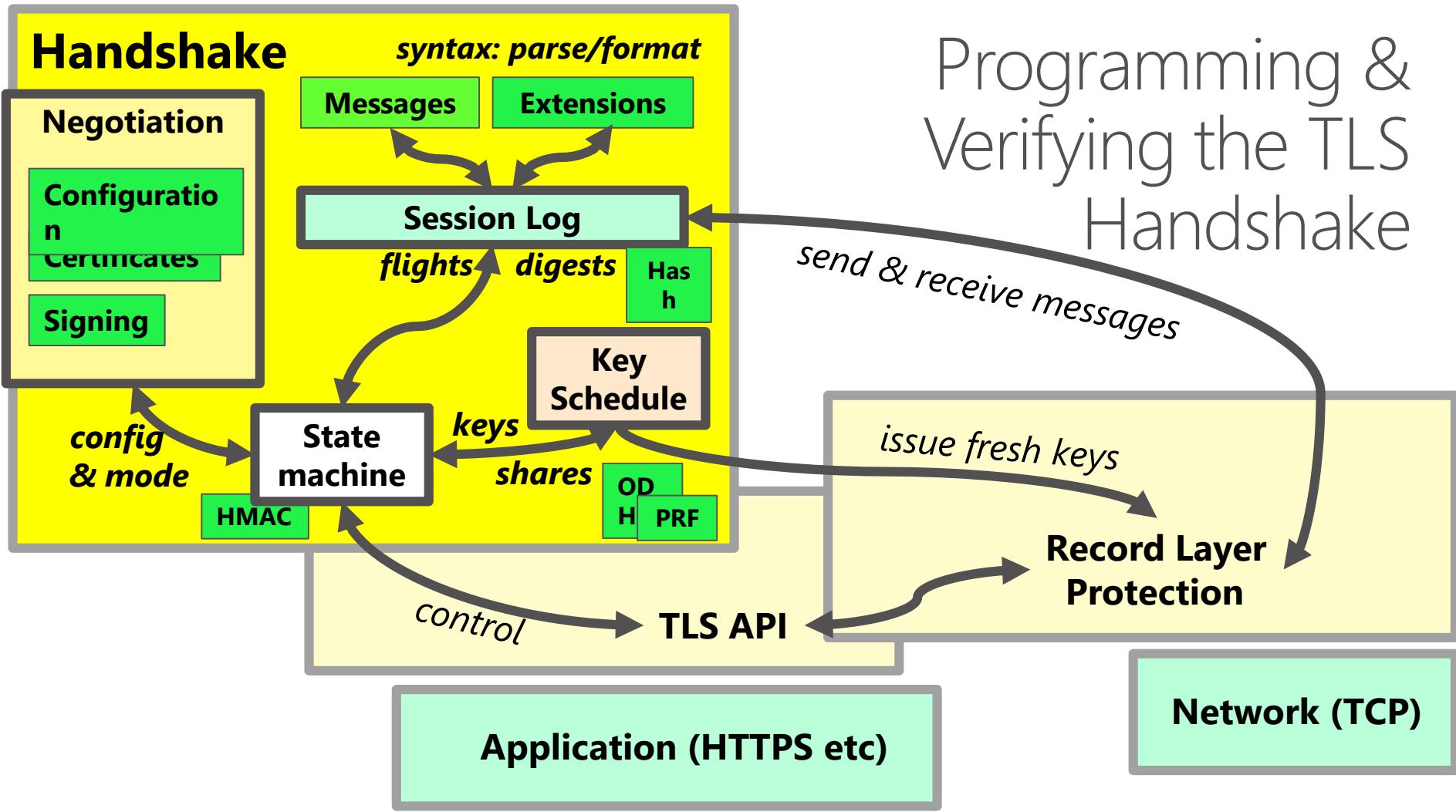
TLS 1.3 Handshake (Outline)



TLS protocol overview



Programming & Verifying the TLS Handshake



Low-level parsing and formatting

Most of the RFC,
most of the code.

Correctness?

Metaprogramming in F*

Performance?

Intermediate copies
considered harmful.

Security?

Handshake digest
computed on the fly

Example: ClientHello
message

Example: HandshakeLog.recv

high-level parser

```
val parseCH:  
  bytes ->  
  option clientHello
```

inverse properties

```
val injCH:  
  clientHello ->  
  Lemma ...
```

low-level validator

```
val validateCH:  
  len: UInt32.t ->  
  input: lbuffer len ->  
  Stack (option (erased clientHello * UInt32.t))  
  (requires fun h0 -> live input)  
  (ensures fun h0 result h1 ->  
    h0 = h1 /\ match result with  
    | Some (ch, pos) ->  
      pos <= len /\  
      format ch = buffer.read input h0 0..pos-1  
    | None -> True)
```

high-level type

```
type clientHello =  
| ClientHello:  
  pv: protocolVersion ->  
  id: vlbytes1 0 32 ->  
  cs: seq ciphersuite {...} -> ...
```

```
struct {  
  ProtocolVersion legacy_version = 0x0303; /* TLS v1.2 */  
  Random random;  
  opaque legacy_session_id<0..32>;  
  CipherSuite cipher_suites<2..2^16-2>;  
  opaque legacy_compression_methods<1..2^8-1>;  
  Extension extensions<8..2^16-1>;  
} ClientHello;
```

high-level formatter

```
val formatCH:  
  clientHello ->  
  bytes
```

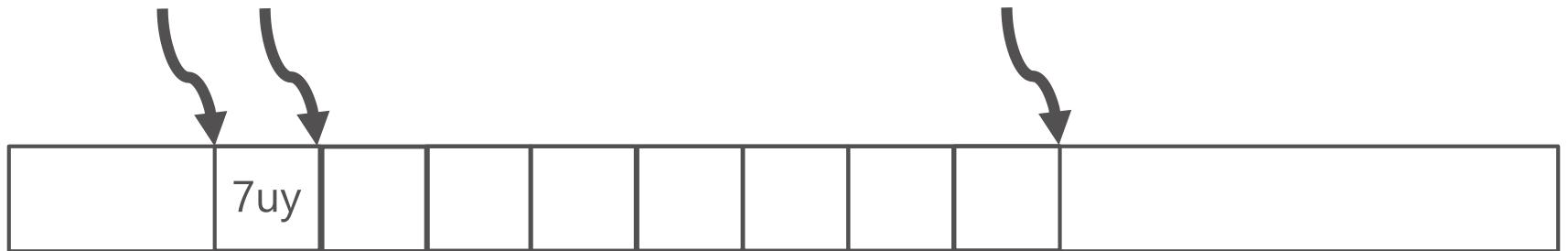
erased specification

low-level in-place
code extracted to C

low-level serializer

```
val serializeCH:  
  output: buffer ->  
  len: UInt32.t -> pv: ... -> ... ->  
  Heap (option UInt32.t) ...  
  (ensures fun h0 result h1 ->  
    modifies h0 output.[0..len-1] h1 /\  
    match result with  
    | Some pos -> ... //idem
```

Low-level parsing: variable-length bytes



e.g. session_id <0..32> is formatted as a “vlbytes 1”

```
let parse_vlbytes1 (#t: Type0) (p: parser t): parser t =  
  parse_u8 `and_then` (λ len → parse_sized1 p len)
```

Negotiation (highlights)

Flexibility vs security

Many standardized TLS versions,
algorithms, constructions, extensions.
Even the draft number is negotiated!

New design (draft#17)

Backward compatibility

Critical for adoption and deployment
TLS 1.3 must support prior version
negotiation, must "look like" TLS 1.2 for
peers that do not understand TLS 1.3

Delicate coding & testing

Circular problem: secure
negotiation relies on the
crypto algorithms and keys
being negotiated

An attacker may cause honest participants
to agree on weak or mismatched
parameters.

TLS 1.3 adopted our recommendations to
defend against downgrade attacks
(modelled at Oakland'16):

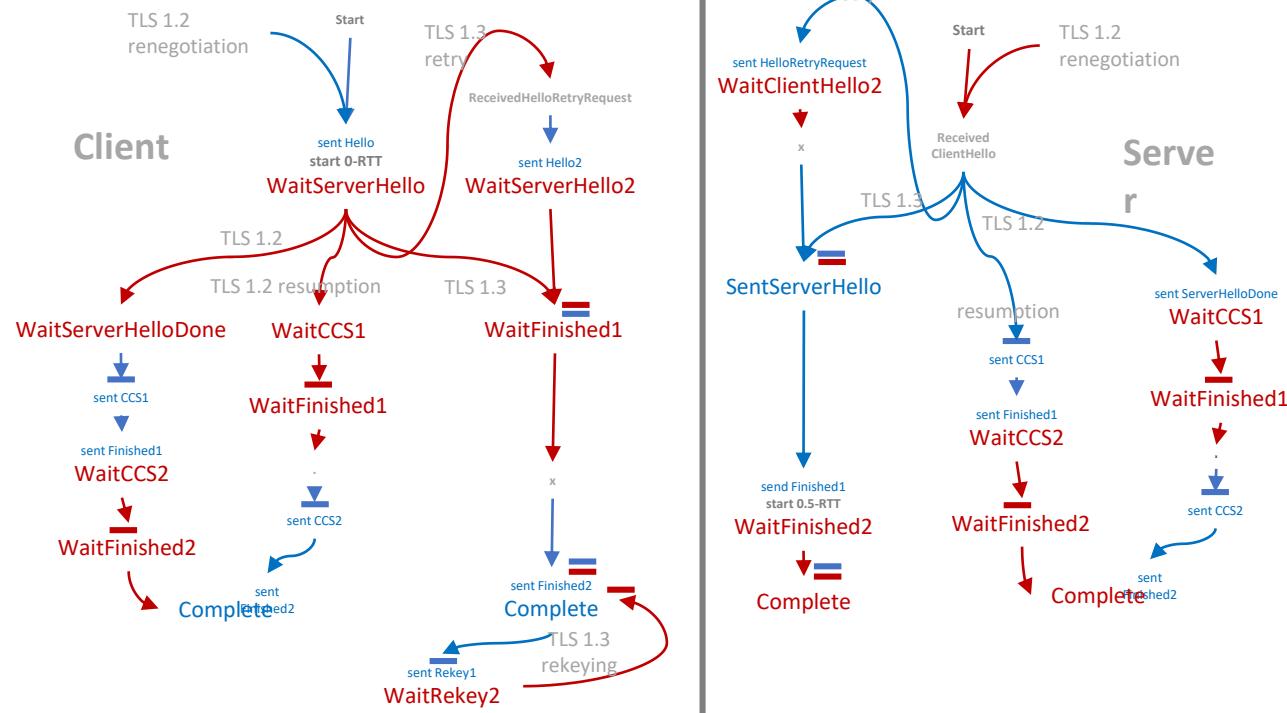
Simple verification
(ghost handshake digests)

Handshake State Machine

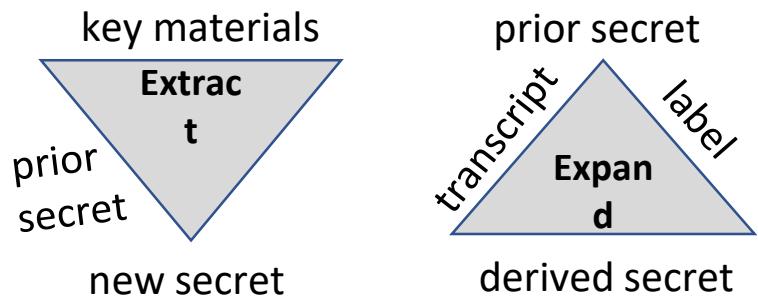
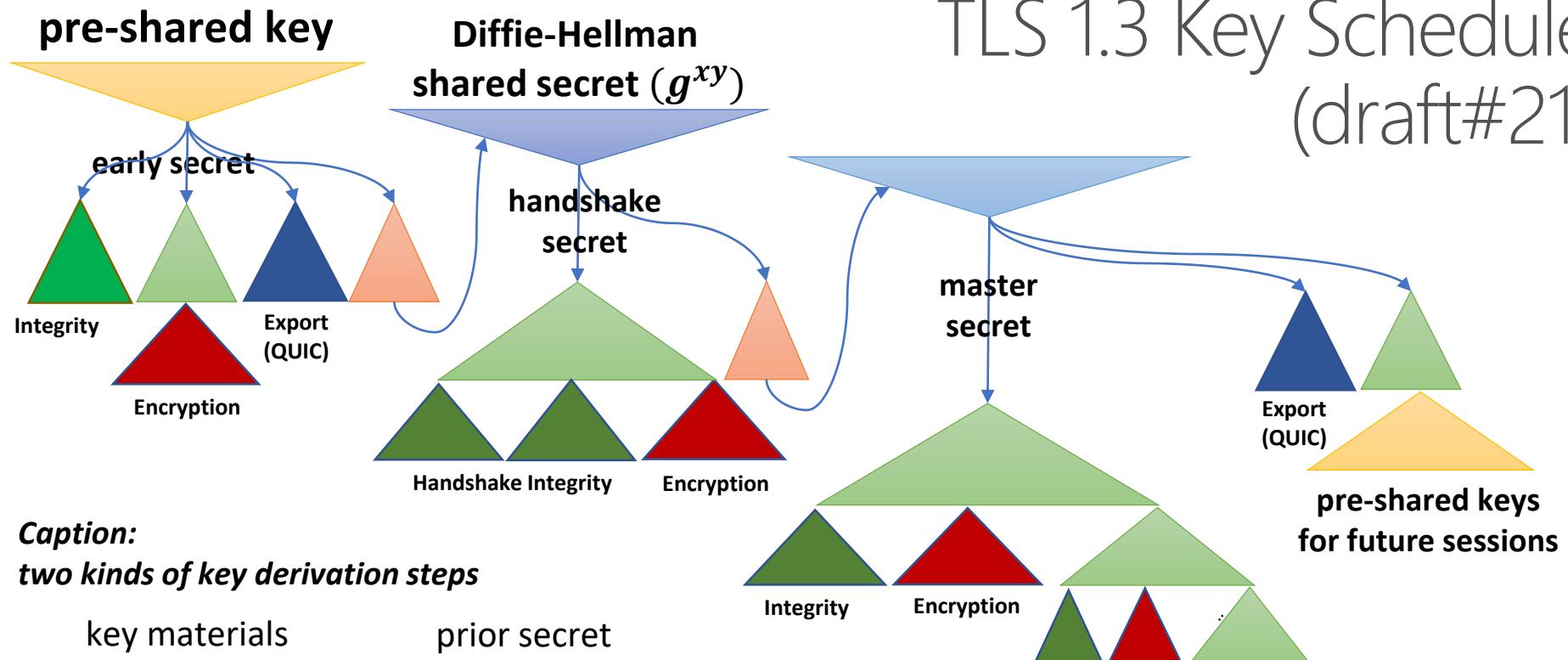


Handshake State Machine

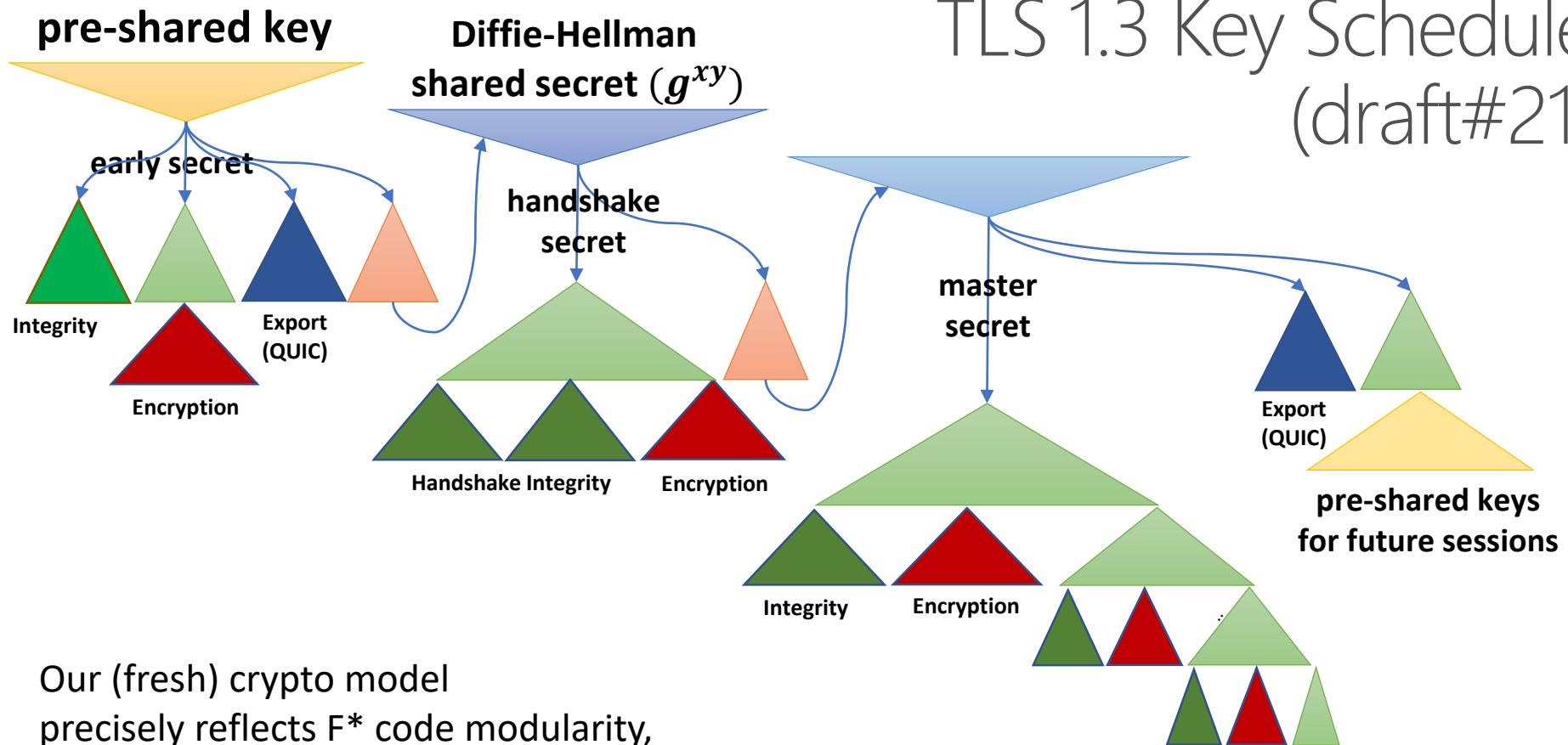
boxes represent successive flights
 input →
 output →
 key changes =
 gray states need not be represented



TLS 1.3 Key Schedule (draft#21)



TLS 1.3 Key Schedule (draft#21)



Our (fresh) crypto model
precisely reflects F* code modularity,
involves a security definition for each color,
supports agility and key compromise.

Exercise: RSA in \mathbb{F}^*

$$N = p \times q \text{ (two primes)}$$

$$e \times d = 1 \text{ } [\varphi(N)]$$

$$\text{Sign}(m, (N, d)) = m^d \text{ } [N]$$

1. Simple specification
2. Fast exponentiation: square & multiply
3. Blinded implementation
(for side-channel resistance)

Exercise:
RSA in \mathbb{F}^*

$$N = p \times q \text{ (two primes)}$$

$$e \times d = 1 \ [\varphi(N)]$$

$$\text{Sign}(m, (N, d)) = m^d [N]$$

$$m' = m r^e \text{ (where } r \text{ and } N \text{ are coprime)}$$

$$s' = m^d r^{ed} [N]$$

$$\text{Sign}(m, (N, d)) = s' r^{-1} [N]$$

Everest: verified drop-in replacements for the HTTPS ecosystem

- complex, critical, verifiable
- close collaboration: crypto, system, compilers, verification
- new tools: F*, KreMLin, Vale
- safety, functional correctness & crypto security
for standard-compliant system code

Code, papers, details at

<https://project-everest.github.io>

<https://github.com/project-everest>

<https://mitls.org>

<https://www.fstar-lang.org>