

Exercise: Protocol Verification Using FDR

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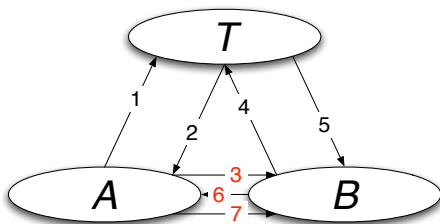
Objectives of today's lecture

- Understanding a *CSP formalizations for the Needham Schroeder protocol*
- Repetition: Getting to know how to *model messages* of a security protocol using CSP
- Being able to *prove important security properties* on a given protocol using the model checker FDR

Formal Verification of the Needham-Schroeder Protocol

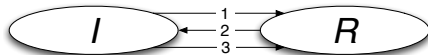
Repetition: Protocol Steps of the NSP

- 1 $A \rightarrow T : \{A, B\}$
- 2 $T \rightarrow A : \{B, PK_B\}_{SK_T}$
- 3 $A \rightarrow B : \{A, N_A\}_{PK_B}$
- 4 $B \rightarrow T : \{B, A\}$
- 5 $T \rightarrow B : \{A, PK_A\}_{SK_T}$
- 6 $B \rightarrow A : \{N_A, N_B\}_{PK_A}$
- 7 $A \rightarrow B : \{N_B\}_{PK_B}$



Attack for the Simplified Protocol Variant

Simplified NSP Version without using T



Attack Scenario

1.1 $A \rightarrow C : \{N_A, A\}_{PK(C)}$

2.1 $C(A) \rightarrow B : \{N_A, A\}_{PK(B)}$

2.2 $B \rightarrow C(A) : \{N_A, N_B\}_{PK(A)}$

1.2 $C \rightarrow A : \{N_A, N_B\}_{PK(A)}$

1.3 $A \rightarrow C : \{N_B\}_{PK(C)}$

2.3 $C(A) \rightarrow B : \{N_B\}_{PK(B)}$

How to code NSP using CSP?

- 1 Model the roles *Initiator* and *Responder* using generic CSP processes and run these processes in parallel
- 2 Define concrete participants, e.g. *A*, *B* and *C* who can play any of these roles
- 3 Describe each protocol step using a CSP event
- 4 Communicate all messages via appropriate CSP channels

Enrichment of Protocol Messages

Which participants are related to a message?

Extend protocol messages in such a way that information about the sender and receiver is also transferred

$$1.1 \quad A \rightarrow C : A.C.\{N_A, A\}_{PK(C)}$$

$$2.1 \quad C(A) \rightarrow B : A.B.\{N_A, A\}_{PK(B)}$$

$$2.2 \quad B \rightarrow C(A) : B.A.\{N_A, N_B\}_{PK(A)}$$

$$1.2 \quad C \rightarrow A : C.A.\{N_A, N_B\}_{PK(A)}$$

$$1.3 \quad A \rightarrow C : A.C.\{N_B\}_{PK(C)}$$

$$2.3 \quad C(A) \rightarrow B : A.B.\{N_B\}_{PK(B)}$$

How to formalize the three different message types for NSP?

$$MSG1 = \{Msg_1.a.b.Encrypt_1.k.n_a.a' \mid a, a' \in Initiator, b \in Responder, k \in Key, n_a \in Nonces\}$$

$$MSG2 = \{Msg_2.b.a.Encrypt_2.k.n_a.n_b \mid a \in Initiator, b \in Responder, k \in Key, n_a, n_b \in Nonces\}$$

$$MSG3 = \{Msg_3.a.b.Encrypt_3.k.n_b \mid a \in Initiator, b \in Responder, k \in Key, n_b \in Nonces\}$$

$$MSGs = MSG1 \cup MSG2 \cup MSG3$$

How to code the messages using CSPm?

```
datatype KEY      = ka      | kb      | kc
datatype AKTEUR   = A       | B       | C
datatype NONCE    = NonceA | NonceB | NonceC
datatype TICKET1  = Encrypt1.KEY.NONCE.AKTEUR
datatype TICKET2  = Encrypt2.KEY.NONCE.NONCE
datatype TICKET3  = Encrypt3.KEY.NONCE

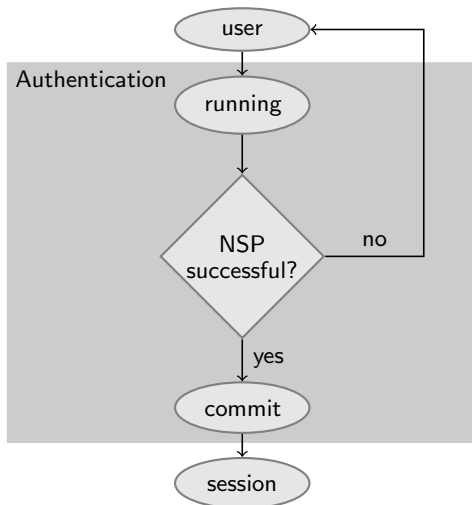
datatype MSG = Msg1.AKTEUR.AKTEUR.TICKET1
           | Msg2.AKTEUR.AKTEUR.TICKET2
           | Msg3.AKTEUR.AKTEUR.TICKET3

channel comm : MSG
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Question: How many different events can be communicated via the channel *comm*?

→ This channel accepts $3^5 + 3^5 + 3^4 = 567$ different events

How to observe the current state of the Protocol?



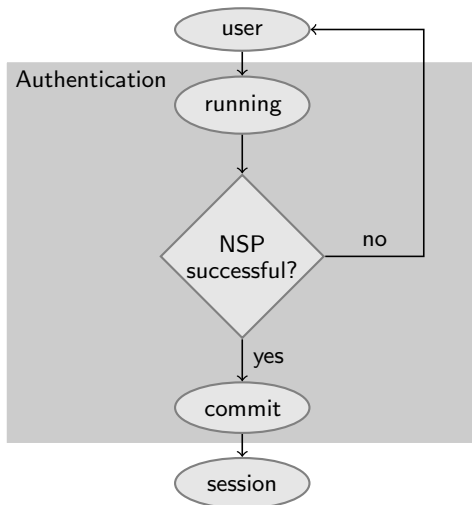
channel

user,
session,
I_running,
R_running,
I_commit,
R_commit :
Initiator.Responder

Example 1

Event *I_running.A.B* indicates that participant *A* starts a NSP as initiator with participant *B* as responder.

How to observe the current state of the Protocol?



Example 2

Event $R_running.A.B$ indicates that participant B starts a NSP as responder with participant A as initiator.

Example 3

Event $I_commit.A.B$ indicates that participant A as initiator is convinced that he/she communicates with participant B as a responder.

Initiator Process

INITIATOR(a, n_a) =

user! $a?b \rightarrow I_running.a.b \rightarrow$
*comm.Msg*₁.*a.b.Encrypt*₁.*key(b)!n_a.a \rightarrow*
*comm.Msg*₂.*b.a.Encrypt*₂.*key(a)?n'_a.n_b \rightarrow*
if $n_a = n'_a$
then *comm.Msg*₃.*a.b.Encrypt*₃.*key(b)!n_b \rightarrow*
 I_commit.a.b \rightarrow session.a.b \rightarrow Skip
else *Stop*

Responder Process

$RESPONDER(b, n_b) =$
 $user?a!b \rightarrow R_running.a.b \rightarrow$
 $comm.Msg_1.a.b.Encrypt_1.key(b)?n_a.a \rightarrow$
 $comm.Msg_2.b.a.Encrypt_2.key(a)!n_a.n_b \rightarrow$
 $comm.Msg_3.a.b.Encrypt_3.key(b)?n'_b \rightarrow$
 if $n_b = n'_b$
 then $R_commit.a.b \rightarrow session.a.b \rightarrow Skip$
 else $Stop$

Initiator and responder synchronization is based on the event set S

$$S = \{ | comm, session.A.B | \}$$

How to synchronize the communication between initiator and responder?

Parallel composition of initiator and responder based on

$Initiator(A, N_a) \{ | comm, session.A.B | \} Responder(B, N_b)$

INITIATOR(a, n_a) =

```
user! $a?b \rightarrow$   
I_running.a.b  $\rightarrow$   
comm.Msg1.a.b.Encrypt1.key(b)! $n_a.a \rightarrow$   
comm.Msg2.b.a.Encrypt2.key(a)? $n'_a.n_b \rightarrow$   
if  $n_a = n'_a$   
then comm.Msg3.a.b.Encrypt3.key(b)! $n_b \rightarrow$   
    I_commit.a.b  $\rightarrow$   
    session.a.b  $\rightarrow$  Skip  
else Stop
```

RESPONDER(b, n_b) =

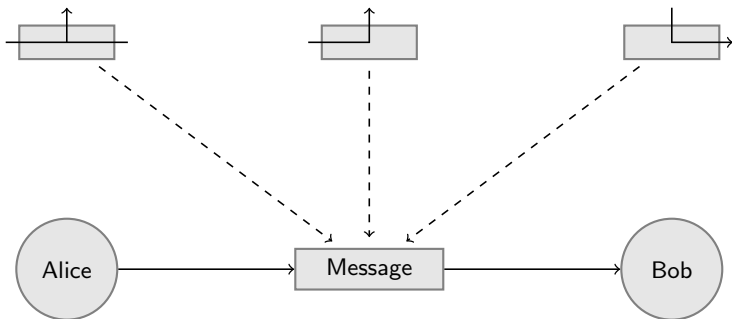
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user? $a!b \rightarrow$   
R_running.a.b  $\rightarrow$   
comm.Msg1.a.b.Encrypt1.key(b)? $n_a.a \rightarrow$   
comm.Msg2.b.a.Encrypt2.key(a)! $n_a.n_b \rightarrow$   
comm.Msg3.a.b.Encrypt3.key(b)? $n'_b \rightarrow$   
if  $n_b = n'_b$   
then R_commit.a.b  $\rightarrow$   
    session.a.b  $\rightarrow$  Skip  
else Stop
```

How to model attacker channels?

Listening (*comm*)

Catching (*intercept*)

Replaying (*fake*)



channel *comm, fake, intercept* : *MSGs*

How do I rename the channels of the **initiator process** to obtain a suitable attacker interface?

INITIATOR1 =

INITIATOR(A, N_a)

*[[comm.Msg₁ ← comm.Msg₁,
comm.Msg₁ ← intercept.Msg₁,
comm.Msg₂ ← comm.Msg₂,
comm.Msg₂ ← fake.Msg₂,
comm.Msg₃ ← comm.Msg₃,
comm.Msg₃ ← intercept.Msg₃]]*

How do I rename the channels of the responder process to obtain a suitable attacker interface?

RESPONDER1 =

RESPONDER(*B*, *N_b*)

$$\begin{aligned} &[[\textit{comm.Msg}_1 \leftarrow \textit{comm.Msg}_1, \\ &\quad \textit{comm.Msg}_1 \leftarrow \textit{fake.Msg}_1, \\ &\quad \textit{comm.Msg}_2 \leftarrow \textit{comm.Msg}_2, \\ &\quad \textit{comm.Msg}_2 \leftarrow \textit{intercept.Msg}_2, \\ &\quad \textit{comm.Msg}_3 \leftarrow \textit{comm.Msg}_3, \\ &\quad \textit{comm.Msg}_3 \leftarrow \textit{fake.Msg}_3 \end{aligned}]$$

What could an attacker do in principle?

- 1 He/she is able to listen to and/or intercept messages
- 2 He/she is able to learn nonces
- 3 He/she is able to send new messages using the learned nonces
- 4 He/she is able to replay old messages (possibly modified)
- 5 It is also possible to replay old encrypted messages that the attacker cannot decrypt

Note, the formalization of such an attacker behaviour is also called *Dolev-Yao model* based on a research paper from 1983¹

¹ D. Dolev and A. Yao: *On the security of public key protocols*, IEEE Journal Transactions on Information Theory, 29/2, 1983.

Attacker Process (1)

$INTRUDER(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns) =$

- $comm.Msg_1 ? a.b.Encrypt_1.k.n.a' \rightarrow$
 - if** $k = K_I$ **then** $INTRUDER(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns \cup \{n\})$
 - else** $INTRUDER(m1s \cup \{Encrypt_1.k.n.a'\}, m2s, m3s, ns)$
- $\square intercept.Msg_1 ? a.b.Encrypt_1.k.n.a' \rightarrow$
 - if** $k = K_I$ **then** $INTRUDER(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns \cup \{n\})$
 - else** $INTRUDER(m1s \cup \{Encrypt_1.k.n.a'\}, m2s, m3s, ns)$
- $\square comm.Msg_2 ? b.a.Encrypt_2.k.n.n' \rightarrow$
 - if** $k = K_I$ **then** $INTRUDER(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns \cup \{n, n'\})$
 - else** $INTRUDER(m1s, m2s \cup \{Encrypt_2.k.n.n'\}, m3s, ns)$
- $\square intercept.Msg_2 ? b.a.Encrypt_2.k.n.n' \rightarrow$
 - if** $k = K_I$ **then** $INTRUDER(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns \cup \{n, n'\})$
 - else** $INTRUDER(m1s, m2s \cup \{Encrypt_2.k.n.n'\}, m3s, ns)$

Attacker Process (2)

INTRUDER($m1s, m2s, m3s, ns$) =

- $comm.Msg_3? a.b.Encrypt_3.k.n \rightarrow$
 if $k = K_I$ then $I(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns \cup \{n\})$
 else $I(m1s, m2s, ms3 \cup \{Encrypt_3.k.n\}, ns)$
- $intercept.Msg_3? a.b.Encrypt_3.k.n \rightarrow$
 if $k = K_I$ then $I(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns \cup \{n\})$
 else $I(m1s, m2s, ms3 \cup \{Encrypt_3.k.n\}, ns)$
- $fake.Msg_1? a.b?m:m1s \rightarrow I(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns)$
- $fake.Msg_2? b.a?m:m2s \rightarrow I(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns)$
- $fake.Msg_3? a.b?m:m3s \rightarrow I(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns)$
- $fake.Msg_1? a.b!Encrypt_1?k?n:ns?a' \rightarrow I(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns)$
- $fake.Msg_2? b.a!Encrypt_2?k?n:ns?n':ns \rightarrow I(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns)$
- $fake.Msg_3? a.b!Encrypt_3?k?n:ns \rightarrow I(m1s, m2s, m3s, ns)$

Note: The identifier *INTRUDER* is abbreviated here in the recursive call by *I*

How to construct a complete system process including the capabilities of an attacker?

AGENTS =

INITIATOR1 $||$ $\{ | \text{comm}, \text{session}.A.B \}$ $||$ *RESPONDER1*

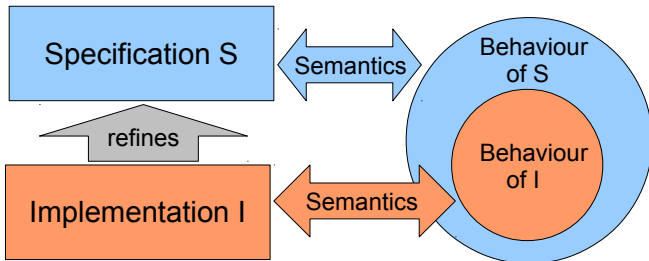
INTRUDER1 = *INTRUDER*($\emptyset, \emptyset, \emptyset, \{N_C\}$)

SYSTEM =

AGENTS $||$ $\{ | \text{fake}, \text{comm}, \text{intercept} \}$ $||$ *INTRUDER1*

Conformance by Refinement

- *Abstract specification* represents an important security property of our protocol, e.g. correct authentication
→ CSP processes *AI* & *AR* (next slides)
- *Concrete implementation* represents both the behavior of the NSP and also the possible behavior of the attacker
→ CSP process *SYSTEM* (last slide)



Specification for a Correct Authentication of the Initiator

$$AI_0 = I_running.A.B \rightarrow R_commit.A.B \rightarrow AI_0$$

$$AI = AI_0 ||| RUN(\Sigma \setminus A_2)$$

where $A_2 = \{ | I_running.A.B, R_commit.A.B | \},$

$\Sigma \hat{=}$ complete communication alphabet

and $RUN(M) \hat{=}$ infinite process that communicates the events of M in an arbitrary order

Illustration

$AI =$ arbitrary other events $\rightarrow I_running.A.B \rightarrow$
arbitrary other events $\rightarrow R_commit.A.B \rightarrow$
arbitrary other events $\rightarrow AI$

Specification for a Correct Authentication of the **Responder**

$$AR_0 = R_running.A.B \rightarrow I_commit.A.B \rightarrow AR_0$$

$$AR = AR_0 ||| RUN(\Sigma \setminus A_1)$$

where $A_1 = \{| R_running.A.B, I_commit.A.B | \}$

$\Sigma \hat{=}$ complete communication alphabet

and $RUN(M) \hat{=}$ infinite process that communicates the events of M in an arbitrary order

Illustration

$AR =$ arbitrary other events $\rightarrow R_running.A.B \rightarrow$
arbitrary other events $\rightarrow I_commit.A.B \rightarrow$
arbitrary other events $\rightarrow AI$

Proof of Correctness by Refinement

Tool Support

Automatic verification by the refinement checker FDR

Proof Obligations

$traces(SYSTEM) \subseteq traces(AR)$

damit gilt $AR \sqsubseteq_T SYSTEM$

$traces(SYSTEM) \not\subseteq traces(AI)$

damit gilt $AI \not\sqsubseteq_T SYSTEM$

Counterexample: Intruder Attack Scenario

Trace of the model checker

$\langle \text{user}.A.B, \text{user}.A.C, I_running.A.C,$
 $\text{intercept}.Msg_1.A.C.Encrypt_1.K_c.N_a.A,$ (1.1)
 $R_running.A.B,$

$\text{fake}.Msg_1.A.B.Encrypt_1.K_b.N_a.A,$ (2.1)

$\text{intercept}.Msg_2.B.A.Encrypt_2.K_a.N_a.N_b,$ (2.2)

$\text{fake}.Msg_2.C.A.Encrypt_2.K_a.N_a.N_b,$ (1.2)

$\text{intercept}.Msg_3.A.C.Encrypt_3.K_c.N_b,$ (1.3)

$\text{fake}.Msg_3.A.B.Encrypt_3.K_b.N_b,$ (2.3)

$R_commit.A.B \rangle$

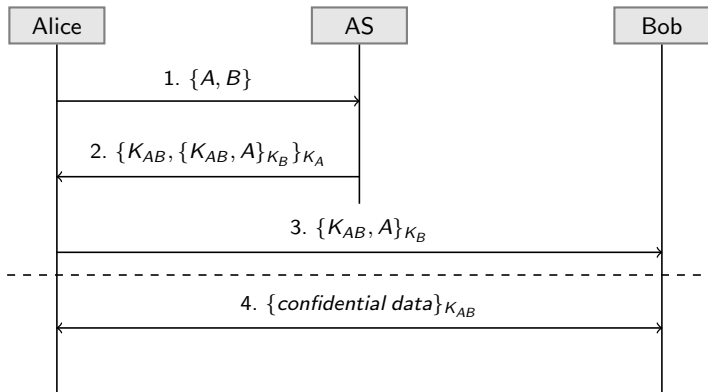
What is the cause of this counterexample?

$R_commit.A.B$ occurs without a previous $I_running.A.B$!

CSP/FDR Exercises

Task

- Model and verify the naive NSP (symmetric variant) using CSP/FDR!



How to use FDR?

- 1 If you plan to install FDR on your own computer, please follow the instructions at

<http://www.cs.ox.ac.uk/projects/fdr/>

Note the newest distribution is FDR4

- 2 If you don't like to install FDR on your own machine, you can also use the installation on the computers of the pool room (use linux CentOS). Note that `fdr3` is installed under the path
</home/helke/tools/fdr/bin>

By invoking *fdr3* you start the GUI variant of the program

- 3 It is also possible to use FDR without GUI (only in batch-mode). To do this, you must call *refines*.

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