



# Rosenpass

## Securing & Deploying Post-Quantum WireGuard

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# Structure of the talk

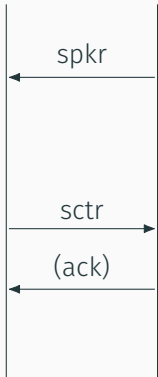
- Post-quantum WireGuard<sup>1</sup>: How to build an interactive key exchange from KEMs
- Contribution: State Disruption Attacks & cookies as a defense
- Contribution: Symbolic analysis of the Rosenpass protocol
- Contribution: Noise-like specification
- Contribution: New hashing & domain separation scheme
- Contribution: Reference implementation – Securing WireGuard in practice

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<sup>1</sup>Andreas Hülsing, Kai-Chun Ning, Peter Schwabe, Florian Weber, and Philip R. Zimmermann. “Post-quantum WireGuard”. In: 42nd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy, SP 2021, San Francisco, CA, USA, 24-27 May 2021. Full version: <https://eprint.iacr.org/2020/379>

# Post-quantum WireGuard: Three encapsulations

Initiator      Responder



Responder Auth

Initiator      Responder



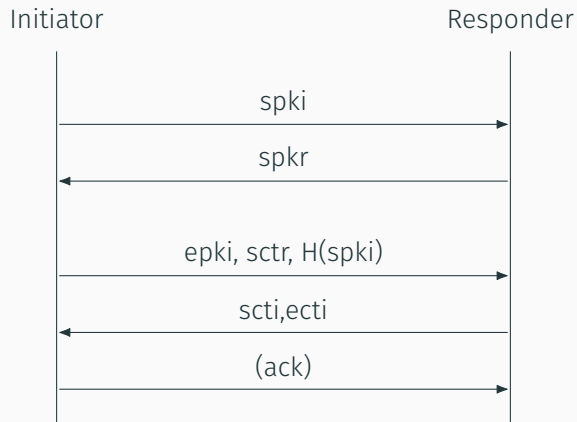
Initiator Auth

Initiator      Responder



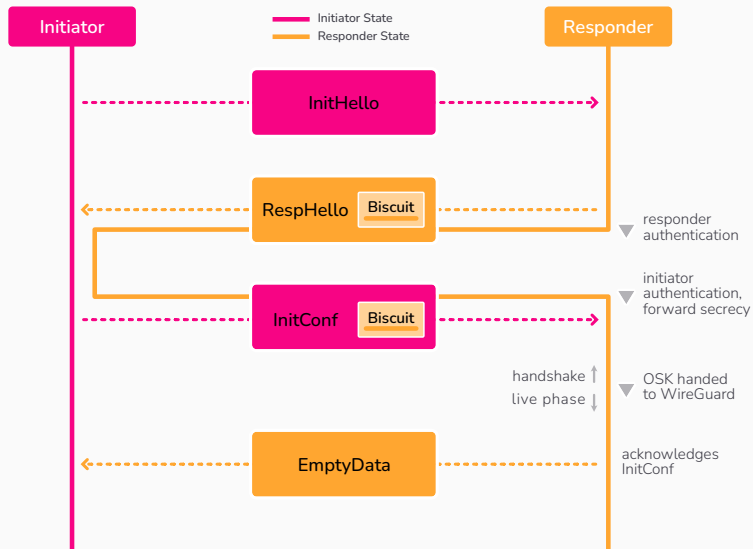
Forward secrecy

## Combining the three encapsulations in one protocol



Note that the initiator is not authenticated until they send “(ack)”.

# The Rosenpass protocol



## CVE-2021-46873 – DOS against WireGuard through NTP

- The replay protection in classic WireGuard assumes a monotonic counter
- But the system time is attacker controlled because NTP is insecure
- This generates a kill packet that abuses replay protection and renders the initiator's key-pair useless
- Attack is possible in the real world!
- Similar attack in post-quantum WireGuard is worse since InitHello is unauthenticated
- Solution: Biscuits

# Security analysis of rosenpass

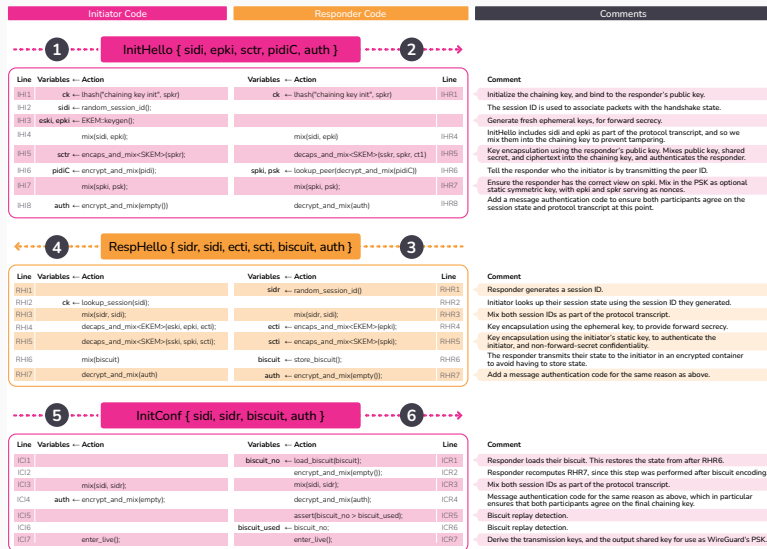
- CryptoVerif in progress
- Symbolic analysis using ProVerif
- Code is part of the software repository & build system
- Symbolic analysis is fast (about five minutes), runs in parallel and is

# ProVerif in technicolor

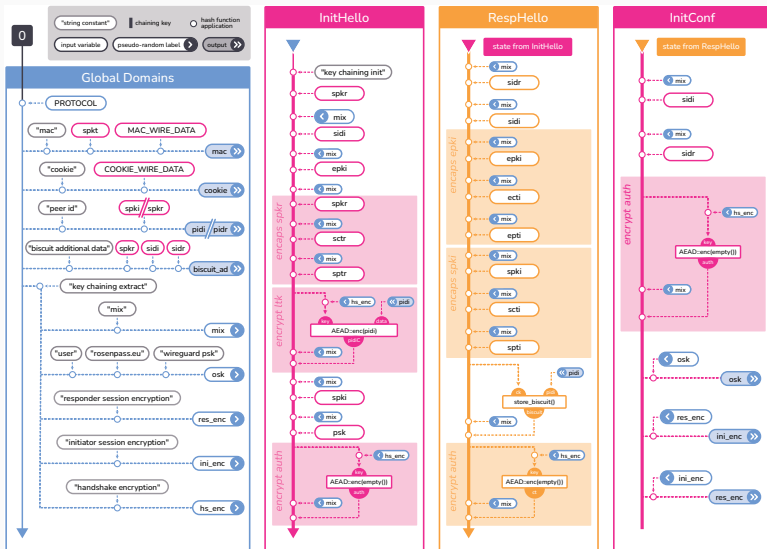
```
~/p/rosenpass ➤ dev/karo/rwpqc-slides ? ➤ nix build .#packages.x86_64-linux.proof-proverif --print-build-logs [17/17]
rosenpass-proverif-proof> unpacking sources
rosenpass-proverif-proof> unpacking source archive /nix/store/cznyv4ibwlbh257v6lzx8r8al4cb0v0-source
rosenpass-proverif-proof> source root is source
rosenpass-proverif-proof> patching sources
rosenpass-proverif-proof> configuring
rosenpass-proverif-proof> no configure script, doing nothing
rosenpass-proverif-proof> building
rosenpass-proverif-proof> no Makefile, doing nothing
rosenpass-proverif-proof> installing
rosenpass-proverif-proof> $ metaverif analysis/01_secrecy.entry.mpv -color -html /nix/store/gidm68r04lkpanvkgz48527qf6nym6dv
-rosenpass-proverif-proof
rosenpass-proverif-proof> $ metaverif analysis/02_availability.entry.mpv -color -html /nix/store/gidm68r04lkpanvkgz48527qf6n
ym6dv-rosenpass-proverif-proof
rosenpass-proverif-proof> $ wait -f 34
rosenpass-proverif-proof> $ cpp -P -I/build/source/analysis analysis/01_secrecy.entry.mpv -o target/proverif/01_secrecy.ent
ry.i.pv
rosenpass-proverif-proof> $ cpp -P -I/build/source/analysis analysis/02_availability.entry.mpv -o target/proverif/02_availab
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rosenpass-proverif-proof> $ awk -f marzipan/marzipan.awk target/proverif/01_secrecy.entry.i.pv
rosenpass-proverif-proof> $ awk -f marzipan/marzipan.awk target/proverif/02_availability.entry.i.pv
rosenpass-proverif-proof> 4s ✓ state coherence, initiator: Initiator accepting a RespHello message implies they also generat
ed the associated InitHello message
rosenpass-proverif-proof> 35s ✓ state coherence, responder: Responder accepting an InitConf message implies they also genera
ted the associated RespHello message
rosenpass-proverif-proof> 0s ✓ secrecy: Adv can not learn shared secret key
rosenpass-proverif-proof> 0s ✓ secrecy: There is no way for an attacker to learn a trusted kem secret key
rosenpass-proverif-proof> 0s ✓ secrecy: The adversary can learn a trusted kem pk only by using the reveal oracle
rosenpass-proverif-proof> 0s ✓ secrecy: Attacker knowledge of a shared key implies the key is not trusted
rosenpass-proverif-proof> 31s ✓ secrecy: Attacker knowledge of a kem sk implies the key is not trusted
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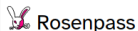
# Noise-like specification (easier for engineers)



# New Hashing/Domain separation scheme



# Reference implementation in rust, deploying post-quantum-secure WireGuard

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```
rp pubkey server.rosenpass-secret server.rosenpass-public
rp pubkey client.rosenpass-secret client.rosenpass-public
```

Copy the **-public** directories to the other peers and then start the VPN. On the server:

```
sudo rp exchange server.rosenpass-secret dev rosenpass0 listen 192.168.0.1:9999 \
peer client.rosenpass-public allowed-ips fe80::/64
```

On the client:

```
sudo rp exchange client.rosenpass-secret dev rosenpass0 \
peer server.rosenpass-public endpoint 192.168.0.1:9999 allowed-ips fe80::/64
```

Assign IP addresses:

```
sudo ip a add fe80::1/64 dev rosenpass0 # Server
sudo ip a add fe80::2/64 dev rosenpass0 # Client
```

Test the connection by pinging the server on the client machine:

```
ping fe80::1%rosenpass0 # Client
```

You can watch how Rosenpass replaces the WireGuard PSK with the following command:

```
watch -n 0.2 'wg show all; wg show all preshared-keys'
```