

02244 Logic for Security
Security Protocols
Week 1: Alice and Bob and Dolev and Yao

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Mathematical Abstraction



- A **clearly defined** game
 - ★ “winnable” is a clearly defined
- Like in chess, it is still very complex for automated analysis
 - ★ astronomical or infinite size of search trees
 - ★ computers are sometimes better than humans at it...
- Mind the gap
 - ★ Be clear about the abstractions and assumptions made
 - ★ Separation of concerns

Overview

Track 1: Security Protocols

- Jan 29 Modeling Protocols: Alice & Bob & Dolev & Yao
- Feb 5 Symbolic Analysis: The Lazy Intruder
- Feb 12 Secure Implementation and Typing
- Feb 19 Channels and Protocol Composition
- Feb 26 Modeling Privacy Properties
- Mar 4 Abstract Interpretation
- Mar 11 Verifying Protocols in Isabelle/HOL

Track 2: Access Control and Information Flow

- Mar 18 Information Flow Analysis 1: Denning's Approach
- Apr 8 Information Flow Analysis 2: Volpano's Approach
- Apr 15 Information Flow Analysis 3: Meyer's Approach
- Apr 22 Security Conditions and Side-Channels
- Apr 29 Verifying Cryptography in Isabelle/HOL:
Zero Knowledge and all that
- May 6 Conclusion and Outlook

Mandatory Assignments

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Jan 29

Feb 5 *Announcement of mandatory assignment 1*

Feb 12

Feb 19

Feb 26

Mar 4

Mar 11 *Hand-in of mandatory assignment 1 at noon*
Student presentations

Track 2: Access Control and Information Flow

Mar 18 *Announcement of mandatory assignment 2*

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Apr 29

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- **Group Work:** Please form groups of 2 or 3 people.
- The assignments are about designing and verifying solutions.
- Team work is really helpful to discuss designs/solutions/attacks and share workload.
- Single-person groups are allowed, but the workload is high and there is no “discount” for working alone.
- We recommend to build teams based on ambition (are you aiming for a 12?).
- To avoid frustration with group members who have less ambition than yourself we recommend:
 - ★ Try to be clear about ambitions/expectations (aiming for a 12?)
 - ★ It helps when group members already know and trust each other.
 - ★ Meet at least every week here for the exercises and work on it. If somebody several times does not show up...
 - ★ Try to talk with group members when problems arise.
 - ★ In the worst case, a group can be re-formed, but talk to me first.

Mandatory Assignments

- **Group reposts/hand-ins must be individualized:**
- The course has individual grades, both for the assignments and the final grade.
- Divide into sections/subsections where each section has **one** group member as author, and this authorship is clearly marked.
- Try to make the division fair, so that each group member has roughly equal contribution.
- The grade of each group member is given for their marked sole contribution. A small contribution may give a poor grade.
- Sections/subsections that have no clear marking of a single author (either no author or several authors) will not count as the contribution of anybody. You risk a poor or failing grade by doing this.
- Everybody in the group must read the sections of other group members and give them feedback on it.

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- Ask questions!
 - ★ Questions are welcome at any time,
 - ★ also for topics of past weeks!

Protocol Security

“Logical Hacking” and Security Proofs

- What is an “attack”? (and what is not?)
- How can we automatically find attacks?
- How can we prove the security of a system?
 - ★ ... not just with respect to currently known attacks, but against any attacks!
 - ★ Is that even possible?
 - ★ Can we do that even automatically?
- How can we build systems that are secure?

This requires a precise definitions of

- the systems in questions
- its goals
- the assumptions (in particular, the intruder)

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- Involved Cryptographic Protocols: could be
 - ★ TLS
 - ★ The banking application
 - ★ Some login like MitID (also over TLS? Same session?)
- Implementation
 - ★ Crypto API
 - ★ All the non-crypto aspects, like parsing message formats.
- Other layers
 - ★ Design and implementation of policies
 - ★ Operating system, compiler
 - ★ Hardware, TPMs
 - ★ Network layer

Roadmap

Introduction to:

- Black-box models of cryptography
- Security protocols
- AnB and OFMC

Textbook

- There are some [textbooks](#) on security protocols
 - ★ e.g. Colin Boyd and Anish Mathuria. *Protocols for Authentication and Key Establishment*, Springer, 2003.
 - ★ but have quite different focus than this course.
- There are many [research papers](#) on protocol verification
 - ★ will be cited at the end of each lecture
 - ★ require a bit of background to read...
- [Protocol Verification Tutorial](#): an introduction to protocol verification that comes with the tool OFMC.
 - ★ Gentle introduction to the topics and (mostly) in the same notation as the course.
 - ★ Questions, comments and feedback most welcome!

AnB – a Formal Language Based on Alice and Bob notation

- Live Demo with OFMC

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Function sk;

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- A knows a secret key with the server: $sk(A, s)$
- B knows a secret key with the server: $sk(B, s)$
- s knows both $sk(A, s)$ and $sk(B, s)$

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- The idea of the protocol is to establish a fresh secret key KAB between A and B
 - ★ A and B initially do not have any key material with each other
 - ★ but both have a shared key with trusted third party s that can be used for establishing KAB .
- Question: why would this be impossible if we had an untrusted S instead of s ?

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- The knowledge section also determines the initial knowledge of the intruder:
 - ★ Say $A = i$ and $B = b$ for agent i in role A and honest b in role B .
 - ★ Then the intruder gets the knowledge of A under this instantiation: $i, b, s, sk(i, s)$
 - ★ The intruder thus also has a shared secret key with s !
 - ★ That's only fair: the intruder should know enough to play a protocol role as a normal user.

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- The protocol starts by A contacting s stating the names of A and B
- Without crypto, there is no reliable information about senders and receivers.
- The intruder may intercept messages sent by honest agents, and insert arbitrary messages as if coming from any agent.
- A and B are **not** IP addresses, but unique identifiers (think domain name or user name/CPR).
- All agent names as public for now. Privacy: later lecture.

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- The server generates a fresh shared key KAB for A and B .
 - ★ The entity first using a non-agent variable is the creator.
- Here, KAB is sent in clear text to A . This obviously is not secure in an intruder-controlled network.
- In the last step A forwards the key to B (also in clear...)
- The server cannot directly send the key to both A and B , because a message can only have one recipient who has to be the sender of the next message

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- The secrecy goal: only A, B , and s may know the key.

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- The authentication goals: later

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Running OFMC we get an attack:

SUMMARY:

ATTACK_FOUND

GOAL:

secrets

ATTACK TRACE:

$i \rightarrow (s, 1)$: $x32, x31$

$(s, 1) \rightarrow i$: $KAB(1)$

i can produce secret $KAB(1)$

secret leaked: $KAB(1)$

First: try to associate attack steps
with protocol steps

First version

$A \rightarrow s : A, B$	$i \rightarrow (s, 1) : x32, x31$
$s \rightarrow A : KAB$	$(s, 1) \rightarrow i : KAB(1)$
$A \rightarrow B : KAB$	$i \text{ can produce secret } KAB(1)$

- OFMC uses internal variables like $x32$ and $x31$ for things the intruder can arbitrarily choose.
 - ★ Here, the intruder can choose any agent names for A and B
 - $KAB(1)$ means a fresh key that was generated by an honest agent – the number (1) is to make it unique.
 - $(s, 1)$ means server in session 1 (sometimes an attack may involve several sessions/runs of the protocol)
 - i is the intruder
- ① Here the intruder contacts the server s posing as some agent $x32$ (role A) who wants to talk to $x31$ (role B).
 - ② The server generates a new key $KAB(1)$ for $x32$ and $x31$ and sends it.
 - ③ The intruder sees this key, violating secrecy.

How to Encrypt this?

A→s: A,B

s→A: $\{|KAB|\}_{sk(A,s)}$

A→B: $\{|KAB|\}_{sk(B,s)}$

ofmc: Protocol not executable:

At the following state of the knowledge:

...one cannot compose the

following message:

$\{|KAB|\}_{sk(B,s)}$

$sk(B,s)$

$|sk$

- $\{|KAB|\}_{sk(A,s)}$ means **symmetric encryption** of KAB with key $sk(A,s)$.
- The server can do that, knowing $sk(A,s)$.
- However A cannot produce $\{|KAB|\}_{sk(B,s)}$ for B .
- OFMC rejects this specification since A cannot generate a message that the protocol tells her to send.
 - ★ In the error message you can see what OFMC tried: the message $\{|KAB|\}_{sk(B,s)}$ is not known to A , and neither is $sk(B,s)$ nor the entire function sk .

Second Version

GOAL:

weak_auth

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i → (s,1): x32,x401

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 - ★ So how does this represent an attack?

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ATTACK TRACE:

s→A: {| KAB |}sk(A,s), i → (s,1): x32,x401

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A→B: A,B, {|KAB(1)|}_ (sk(x401,s))

{| KAB |}sk(B,s) i → (x401,1): x30,x401,
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- Adding the agent names in clear text to the messages allows to see what's going wrong:
 - ★ To *s*, the intruder claims to be *x32*
 - ★ To *B* (*x401*), the intruder claims to be *x30*
- Thus there is confusion between *B* and *s* as to who *A* is
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- Suppose x32=i, then the intruder can see KAB(1)
while *B* thinks he shares KAB(1) with x30.

Third Version

GOAL: weak_auth

$$A \rightarrow_S: A, B$$

ATTACK TRACE:

$$s \rightarrow A: \{ | B, K_{AB} | \}_{sk(A,s)}, \quad i \rightarrow (s, 1): x_{401}, x_{30}$$
$$\{ | A, K_{AB} | \}_{sk(B,s)} \quad (s,1) \rightarrow i: \{ | x_{30}, K_{AB}(1) | \}_{sk(x_{401},s)},$$
$$A \rightarrow B: \{ | A, K_{AB} | \}_{sk(B, s)} \quad \{ | x_{401}, K_{AB}(1) | \}_{sk(x_{30}, s)}$$
$$i \rightarrow (x_{401}, 1): \{|x_{30}, K_{AB}(1)|\}_{sk(x_{401}, s)}$$

- Third version adds the name of the other party to the encrypted message.
- There is an attack, but it is a bit hard to see what is wrong.
- Let us replace the variables in the attack trace with concrete agent names a and b .

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$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{s} \rightarrow \text{A}: \{ | \text{B}, \text{KAB} | \} \text{sk}(\text{A}, \text{s}), & i \rightarrow (\text{s}, 1): \text{a}, \text{b} \\ & \{ | \text{A}, \text{KAB} | \} \text{sk}(\text{B}, \text{s}) \quad (\text{s}, 1) \rightarrow i: \{ | \text{b}, \text{KAB}(1) | \}_-(\text{sk}(\text{a}, \text{s})), \\ \text{A} \rightarrow \text{B}: \{ | \text{A}, \text{KAB} | \} \text{sk}(\text{B}, \text{s}) & \{ | \text{a}, \text{KAB}(1) | \}_-(\text{sk}(\text{b}, \text{s})) \\ & i \rightarrow (\text{a}, 1): \{ | \text{b}, \text{KAB}(1) | \}_-(\text{sk}(\text{a}, \text{s})) \end{array}$$

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- Note strong_auth at GOAL: this appears in OFMC whenever the agreement on the names and data is correct, but something has been accepted more often than it was said (a replay attack).
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- Then OFMC will output:

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Verified for 1 sessions

Verified for 2 sessions

^C

- Here ^C means that I pressed Control-C to stop, because it will go on forever when no attack is found, checking more and more sessions.
- For the purposes of this course it is fine to step after two sessions, and you can do this in OFMC directly with the option `--numSess 2`

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Number NA, NB ;

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$B \rightarrow A$: NB

$A \rightarrow s$: A, B, NA, NB

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Modeling Agents and Fixed Key-Infrastructures

- Normally **variables** (uppercase) like A,B,C,...
 - ★ can be played by any **concrete** (lowercase) agent like a,b,c,...,i
- Special agent: **i** – the intruder
- Honest agent: constant like **s** for a trusted server
 - ★ Cannot be instantiated (especially the intruder), fixed in all protocol runs
- Given key infrastructures: use functions e.g.
 - ★ $sk(A,B)$ the shared key of **A** and **B**
 - ★ $pw(A,B)$ the password of **A** at server **B**
 - ★ $pk(A)$ the public key of **A**
 - ▶ $inv(K)$ is the private key that belongs to public key **K**.
 - ▶ Note **inv** and **exp** are a built-in function (do not declare as a function).
 - ★ Give every role the necessary initial knowledge

AnB: Things to Note

- Identifiers that start with uppercase: variables (E.g., A,B,KAB)
- Identifiers that start with lowercase: constants and functions (E.g., s,pre,sk)
- One should declare a type for all identifiers; OFMC can search for *type-flaw* attacks when using the option `-untyped` (in which case all types are ignored).
- The (initial) knowledge of agents **MUST NOT** contain variables of any type other than Agent.
 - ★ For long-term keys, passwords, etc. use functions like $sk(A, B)$.
- Each variable that does not occur in the initial knowledge is freshly created during the protocol by the first agent who uses it.
 - ★ In the NSSK example, A creates NA, s creates KAB, B creates NB.

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The syntax of Messages (*Msg*) in AnB can be described by the following context-free grammar:

<i>Msg</i>	::=	Constant	
		Variable	
		<i>Msg</i> , <i>Msg</i>	concatenation
		{ <i>Msg</i> } <i>Msg</i>	symmetric encryption
		{ <i>Msg</i> } <i>Msg</i>	asymmetric encryption
		inv (<i>Msg</i>)	inverse
		exp (<i>Msg</i> , <i>Msg</i>)	modular exponentiation
		Function (<i>Msg</i>)	user-defined functions
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where *Constant* and *Function* are user-chosen identifiers that start with a lower-case letter, and *Variable* with an upper-case letter.

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$\mathcal{T}_{\Sigma}(V)$ is the set of **terms (over Σ and V)**, defined as follows:

- All variables of V are terms
- If $f \in \Sigma$ is a function symbol that takes n arguments and if t_1, \dots, t_n are terms, then also $f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ is a term.

Message Term Algebra

for security protocols

Symbol	Arity	Meaning	Public
i	0	name of the intruder	yes
inv	1	private key of a given public key	no
$crypt$	2	asymmetric encryption in AnB: write $\{m\}_k$ for $crypt(k, m)$	yes
$script$	2	symmetric encryption in AnB: write $\{m\}_k$ for $script(k, m)$	yes
$pair$	2	pairing/concatenation in AnB: write m, n for $pair(m, n)$	yes
$exp(\cdot, \cdot)$	2	exponentiation modulo fixed prime p	yes
a, b, c, \dots	0	User-defined constants	User-def.
$f(\cdot)$	\star	User-defined function symbol f	User-def.

- Call Σ the set of all function symbols and Σ_p the public ones.
- Public functions can be applied by every agent
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On the Security of Public Key Protocols (IEEE Trans. Inf. Th., 1983)

- Every user has a public/private key pair.
- Every user knows the public key of every other user.
- The Dolev-Yao intruder:
 - ★ The intruder is also a user with his own key pair.
 - ★ The intruder can decrypt only messages that are “meant” for him, i.e., that are encrypted with his public key.
 - ★ The intruder controls the network (read, intercept, send)





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Intruder Deduction

The core of the Dolev-Yao model is a definition what the intruder can **do** with messages.

- We define a relation $M \vdash m$ where

- ★ M is a set of messages
- ★ m is a message

expressing that the intruder can derive m , if his **knowledge** is M .

Example

$$M = \{ k_1, \{m_1\}_{k_1}, m_2, \{m_3\}_{k_2} \}$$

Then we should have for instance:

- $M \vdash m_1$
- $M \vdash m_2$
- $M \not\vdash m_3$
- $M \vdash \{\langle m_1, m_2 \rangle\}_{k_1}$

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- Independent of the precise definitions of **human** and **mortal**.
- Rather, human and mortal are **characterized** by the premises.
- **Really logical**: if you accept the premises, you cannot really reject the conclusion.
- Aristoteles regarded syllogisms as the most primitive building blocks of logical reasoning. (How to “prove” those?)

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- In every **interpretation** that fulfills the premises, also the conclusion is fulfilled.
- One can regard it as even more basic reasoning steps, e.g. **natural deduction**:

$$\frac{\frac{\forall X. h(X) \implies m(X)}{h(s) \implies m(s)} \quad \forall E \quad h(s)}{m(s)} \rightarrow E$$

Dolev-Yao Closure

We define $M \vdash t$ as a **proof calculus** with rules of the form

$$\frac{Premise_1 \quad \dots \quad Premise_n}{Conclusion} \quad Side-Condition$$

meaning:

- if we have proved all the premisses
- and the side-condition holds,
- then we have a proof of the conclusion.

The simplest rule is Axiom:

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$$\overline{M \vdash m} \text{ if } m \in M \text{ (Axiom)}$$

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Free Exercise Today

Design your first own proof calculus!

Here are the first two rules to characterize Dolev-Yao's $M \vdash m$:

Axiom

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$$\frac{}{M \vdash m} m \in M$$

Symmetric Decryption

The intruder can decrypt the message $\{m\}_k$ if he can derive k , and thus obtain the content m :

$$\frac{M \vdash \{m\}_k \quad M \vdash k}{M \vdash m}$$

Define similar rules for symmetric encryption, asymmetric encryption/decryption, signatures/signature verification, hashing, pair and obtaining the components of a pair.

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The Dolev and Yao Intruder Model

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Plan for Today

- Recap of last week and something new
- Completion of the [Dolev-Yao intruder model](#)
- A decision procedure for Dolev-Yao deductions
- Putting the intruder model to work
 - ★ Outlook on the lazy intruder
- Hand out of the mandatory assignment.

Protocol from last week

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Sixth Version

Protocol: KeyExchange

Types: Agent A,B,s;

Number X,Y,g,Payload;

Function sk;

Knowledge: A: A,B,s,sk(A,s),g;

B: A,B,s,sk(B,s),g;

s: A,B,s,sk(A,s),sk(B,s),g;

Actions:

A→B: exp(g,X)

B→s: { | A,B,exp(g,X),exp(g,Y) | }sk(B,s)

s→A: { | A,B,exp(g,X),exp(g,Y) | }sk(A,s)

A→B: { | Payload | }exp(exp(g,X),Y)

Goals:

exp(exp(g,X),Y) secret between A,B;

Payload secret between A,B;

A authenticates B on exp(exp(g,X),Y);

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Diffie-Hellman:

- every agent generates a random X and Y
- they exchange $\text{exp}(g, X) \bmod p$ and $\text{exp}(g, Y) \bmod p$
 - ★ p is a large fixed prime number – we omit in OFMC
 - ★ g is a fixed generator of the group \mathbb{Z}_p^*
 - ★ Both p and g are public
 - ★ we omit writing $\bmod p$ in OFMC
- It is computationally hard to obtain X from $\text{exp}(g, X) \bmod p$
- However A and B have now a shared key $\text{exp}(\text{exp}(g, X), Y) \bmod p = \text{exp}(\text{exp}(g, Y), X) \bmod p$

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Trick: write \times for the group operation also in ECDH.

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Typical size	thousand of bits	hundreds of bits

Trick: write \times for the group operation also in ECDH.

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 - ★ $\text{exp}(g, X)$ and $\text{exp}(g, Y)$ are public
 - ▶ you may call them public keys (with X and Y the private keys)
 - ★ but they need to be authenticated (like public keys):
 - ▶ that $\text{exp}(g, X)$ really comes from A
 - ▶ and $\text{exp}(g, Y)$ really comes from B

Modeling Agents and Fixed Key-Infrastructures

- Normally **variables** (uppercase) like A,B,C,...
 - ★ can be played by any **concrete** (lowercase) agent like a,b,c,...,i
- Special agent: **i** – the intruder
- Honest agent: constant like **s** for a trusted server
 - ★ Cannot be instantiated (especially the intruder), fixed in all protocol runs
- Given key infrastructures: use functions e.g.
 - ★ $sk(A,B)$ the shared key of **A** and **B**
 - ★ $pw(A,B)$ the password of **A** at server **B**
 - ★ $pk(A)$ the public key of **A**
 - ▶ $inv(K)$ is the private key that belongs to public key **K**.
 - ▶ Note **inv** and **exp** are a built-in function (do not declare as a function).
 - ★ Give every role the necessary initial knowledge

AnB: Things to Note

- Identifiers that start with uppercase: variables (E.g., A,B,KAB)
- Identifiers that start with lowercase: constants and functions (E.g., s,pre,sk)
- One should declare a type for all identifiers; OFMC can search for *type-flaw* attacks when using the option `-untyped` (in which case all types are ignored).
- The (initial) knowledge of agents **MUST NOT** contain variables of any type other than Agent.
 - ★ For long-term keys, passwords, etc. use functions like $sk(A, B)$.
- Each variable that does not occur in the initial knowledge is freshly created during the protocol by the first agent who uses it.
 - ★ In the NSSK example, A creates NA, s creates KAB, B creates NB.

Message Term Algebra

for security protocols

Symbol	Arity	Meaning	Public
i	0	name of the intruder	yes
inv	1	private key of a given public key	no
$crypt$	2	asymmetric encryption in AnB: write $\{m\}_k$ for $crypt(k, m)$	yes
$script$	2	symmetric encryption in AnB: write $\{m\}_k$ for $script(k, m)$	yes
$pair$	2	pairing/concatenation in AnB: write m, n for $pair(m, n)$	yes
$exp(\cdot, \cdot)$	2	exponentiation modulo fixed prime p	yes
a, b, c, \dots	0	User-defined constants	User-def.
$f(\cdot)$	\star	User-defined function symbol f	User-def.

- Call Σ the set of all function symbols and Σ_p the public ones.
- Public functions can be applied by every agent
- inv is **not** public: the private key of a given public key.

Intruder Deduction

The core of the Dolev-Yao model is a definition what the intruder can do with messages.

- We define a relation $M \vdash m$ where

- ★ M is a set of messages
- ★ m is a message

expressing that the intruder can derive m , if his knowledge is M .

Example

$$M = \{ k_1, \{m_1\}_{k_1}, m_2, \{m_3\}_{k_2} \}$$

Then we should have for instance:

- $M \vdash m_1$
- $M \vdash m_2$
- $M \not\vdash m_3$
- $M \vdash \{\langle m_1, m_2 \rangle\}_{k_1}$

Dolev-Yao Closure

We define $M \vdash t$ as a **proof calculus** with rules of the form

$$\frac{Premise_1 \quad \dots \quad Premise_n}{Conclusion} \quad Side-Condition$$

meaning:

- if we have proved all the premisses
- and the side-condition holds,
- then we have a proof of the conclusion.

The simplest rule is Axiom:

Axiom

$$\overline{M \vdash m} \text{ if } m \in M \text{ (Axiom)}$$

The intruder can derive every message m that is directly in his knowledge M .

Free Exercise Today

Design your first own proof calculus!

Here are the first two rules to characterize Dolev-Yao's $M \vdash m$:

Axiom

The intruder can derive any message m that is already in his knowledge M :

$$\frac{}{M \vdash m} m \in M$$

Symmetric Decryption

The intruder can decrypt the message $\{m\}_k$ if he can derive k , and thus obtain the content m :

$$\frac{M \vdash \{m\}_k \quad M \vdash k}{M \vdash m}$$

Define similar rules for symmetric encryption, asymmetric encryption/decryption, signatures/signature verification, hashing, pair and obtaining the components of a pair.

Dolev-Yao Closure: Symmetric Crypto

Symmetric Cryptography

$$\frac{M \vdash m \quad M \vdash k}{M \vdash \{m\}_k} \text{ (EncSym)} \quad \frac{M \vdash \{m\}_k \quad M \vdash k}{M \vdash m} \text{ (DecSym)}$$

- The intruder can encrypt any message m he knows with any key k he knows.
- The intruder can decrypt any message $\{m\}_k$ to which he knows the decryption key k .

Example

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$$\frac{\overline{M \vdash \{m_1\}_{k_1}} \text{ Axiom}}{M \vdash m_1} \quad \frac{\overline{M \vdash k_1} \text{ Axiom}}{\text{DecSym}}$$

Note: $M \not\vdash m_3$

Infinity

Note that with the three rules given so far the set of derivable terms is already infinite:

Example

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$$\frac{\frac{\overline{M \vdash m_2} \text{ Axiom} \quad \overline{M \vdash k_1} \text{ Axiom}}{M \vdash \{m_2\}_{k_1}} \text{ EncSym} \quad \overline{M \vdash k_1} \text{ Axiom}}{M \vdash \{\{m_2\}_{k_1}\}_{k_1}} \text{ EncSym}$$

Dolev-Yao Closure: Concatenation

Concatenation

$$\frac{M \vdash m_1 \quad M \vdash m_2}{M \vdash \langle m_1, m_2 \rangle} \text{ (Cat)} \quad \frac{M \vdash \langle m_1, m_2 \rangle}{M \vdash m_i} \text{ (Proj}_i\text{)}$$

- The intruder can concatenate and split messages.

Example

$$M = \{ k_1, \{ \langle a, m_1 \rangle \}_{k_1}, m_2, \{ m_3 \}_{k_2} \}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\overline{M \vdash \{ \langle a, m_1 \rangle \}_{k_1}} \text{Axiom} \quad \overline{M \vdash k_1} \text{Axiom}}{M \vdash \langle a, m_1 \rangle} \text{DecSym}}{M \vdash m_1} \text{Proj}_2 \quad \overline{M \vdash m_2} \text{Axiom}}{M \vdash \langle m_1, m_2 \rangle} \text{Cat}$$

Dolev-Yao Closure: Asymmetric Crypto

Asymmetric Cryptography

$$\frac{M \vdash m \quad M \vdash k}{M \vdash \{m\}_k} \text{ (EncAsym)} \quad \frac{M \vdash \{m\}_k \quad M \vdash \text{inv}(k)}{M \vdash m} \text{ (DecAsym)}$$

- The intruder can encrypt any message m he knows with any public key k he knows.
- The intruder can decrypt any message $\{m\}_k$ if he knows the private key $\text{inv}(k)$ to the public key k .

Example

$$M = \{ k_1, \text{inv}(k_1), k_2, \{m_1\}_{k_1}, m_2, \{m_3\}_{k_2} \}$$

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Dolev-Yao Closure: Signatures

Signatures

$$\frac{M \vdash m \quad M \vdash \text{inv}(k)}{M \vdash \{m\}_{\text{inv}(k)}} \text{ (Sign)} \quad \frac{M \vdash \{m\}_{\text{inv}(k)}}{M \vdash m} \text{ (OpenSig)}$$

- The intruder can sign any message m he knows with any private key $\text{inv}(k)$ he knows.
- The intruder can open any message $\{m\}_{\text{inv}(k)}$ that was signed with a private key $\text{inv}(k)$.

Example

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$$\frac{\frac{\overline{M \vdash \{m_1\}_{\text{inv}(k_2)}} \text{ Axiom}}{M \vdash m_1} \text{ OpenSig} \quad \frac{\overline{M \vdash \text{inv}(k_1)}}{M \vdash \text{inv}(k_1)} \text{ Axiom}}{M \vdash \{m_1\}_{\text{inv}(k_1)}} \text{ Sign}$$

Dolev-Yao Closure: Public Functions

Public Functions

$$\frac{M \vdash m_1 \quad \dots \quad M \vdash m_n}{M \vdash f(m_1, \dots, m_n)} \text{ if } f \in \Sigma_p \text{ takes } n \text{ arguments (Compose)}$$

- The intruder can apply any public function f to terms t_i that he knows.

Example

$M = \{ k_1, k_2, \{m_1\}_{kdf(k_1, k_2)} \}$ where kdf is public

$$\frac{\frac{}{M \vdash \{m_1\}_{kdf(k_1, k_2)}} \text{Axiom} \quad \frac{\frac{M \vdash k_1}{M \vdash kdf(k_1, k_2)} \text{Axiom} \quad \frac{M \vdash k_2}{M \vdash kdf(k_1, k_2)} \text{Axiom}}{M \vdash m_1} \text{DecSym}$$

Note: the rules EncSym, EncAsym, and Cat are just special cases of Compose.

Dolev-Yao Closure: Summary

Dolev-Yao rules

$$\frac{}{M \vdash m} \text{ if } m \in M \text{ (Axiom)}$$

$$\frac{M \vdash m_1 \quad \dots \quad M \vdash m_n}{M \vdash f(m_1, \dots, m_n)} \text{ if } f/n \in \Sigma_p \text{ (Compose)}$$

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The compose rule is for all public functions Σ_p ,
including $\{\cdot\}$, $\{\cdot\}$, $\langle\cdot,\cdot\rangle$

Example: Intruder Deduction

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Automation

Goal: design (in pseudocode) a **decision procedure** for Dolev-Yao:

- Given a finite set M of messages (the **intruder knowledge**)
- and given a message m (the **goal**)
- Output whether $M \vdash m$ holds.
 - ★ additionally, in the positive case, give the proof.

How to approach this?

Automating Dolev-Yao

Step 1: Composition only

Consider first the following simpler problem:

- $M \vdash_c m$ are those deductions where the intruder does not apply any analysis steps (“composition only”):

Composition Only

$$\frac{}{M \vdash_c m} \text{ if } m \in M \text{ (Axiom)}$$

$$\frac{M \vdash_c m_1 \quad \dots \quad M \vdash_c m_n}{M \vdash_c f(m_1, \dots, m_n)} \text{ if } f \in \Sigma_p \text{ (Compose)}$$

Example

$M = \{k_1, k_2, \{m\}_{h(k_1, k_2)}\}$ where $h \in \Sigma_p$

- $M \vdash_c h(k_1, k_2)$
- $M \not\vdash_c m$
- $M \vdash m$

Automating Dolev-Yao

Step 1: Composition only—Solution

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Challenge: decision procedure for \vdash_{c} :

- Input: M and m
- Output **yes** if $M \vdash_{\text{c}} m$, and **no** otherwise.

Idea: backwards search for a derivation.

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$$\frac{??}{M \vdash_{\mathbf{c}} h(k_1, k_2)}$$

Check Axiom: $h(k_1, k_2) \in M$? (No: we cannot apply Axiom)

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Check Compose: h public? (Yes: so we can try Compose)

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Try to find proofs for the new sub-goals – recursively.

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$k_1, k_2 \in M$, so we can solve that with Axiom – done!

Automating Dolev-Yao

Step 1: Composition only—Solution

Decision procedure for $M \vdash_c m$

- ① Check if $m \in M$; if so return **yes**.
- ② Otherwise, let $m = f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$
 - ★ If f is not public return **no**.
 - ★ Otherwise recursively check whether:

$$M \vdash_c t_1 \text{ and } \dots \text{ and } M \vdash_c t_n$$

Return **yes** if all these return **yes**, and **no** otherwise.

Automating Dolev-Yao

Step 2: Analysis—solution

Analysis Steps

- If $\{m\}_k \in M$ and $M \vdash_c k$ then add m to M .
- If $\{m\}_k \in M$ and $M \vdash_c \text{inv}(k)$ then add m to M .
- if $\{m\}_{\text{inv}(k)} \in M$ then add m to M .
- If $\langle m_1, m_2 \rangle \in M$ then add m_1 and m_2 to M .
- Repeat until no new messages can be added.

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- Just always consider the inner-most analysis step first:
 - ★ an analysis step that has no analysis step in the subproofs.
 - ★ then the message being analyzed must be obtained by axiom, because analysis of composition we have already ruled out.
 - ★ thus we can eliminate one by one all analysis steps in the proof until we have a proof with only composition steps, and then completeness follows from \vdash_c .

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Dolev-Yao Closure: Summary

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The compose rule is for all public functions Σ_p ,
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Decision procedure for $M \vdash_c m$

- ① Check if $m \in M$; if so return **yes**.
- ② Otherwise, let $m = f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$
 - ★ If f is not public return **no**.
 - ★ Otherwise recursively check whether:

$$M \vdash_c t_1 \text{ and } \dots \text{ and } M \vdash_c t_n$$

Return **yes** if all these return **yes**, and **no** otherwise.

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Needham-Schroeder Public-Key Protocol [1978]

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Function pk,h

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B: B, pk(B), inv(pk(B)), A, pk(A), h

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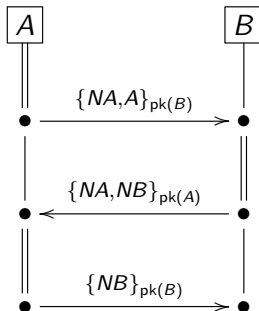
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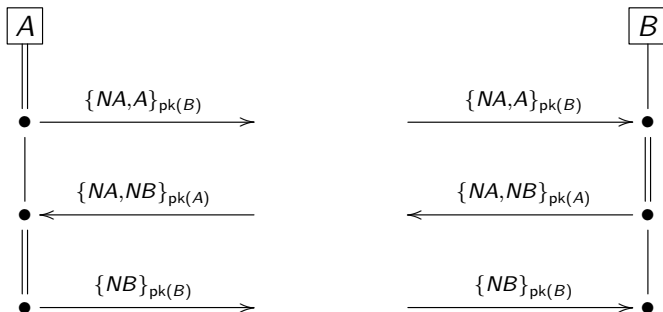
Goals:

h(NA,NB) secret between A,B

NSPK as A Message Sequence Chart

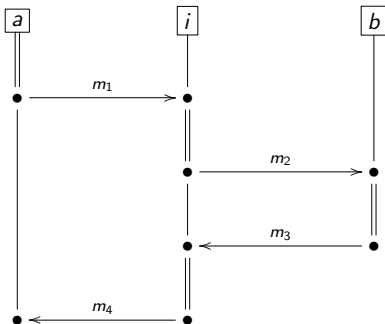


NSPK as Roles / Strands



- For each **Role** of the protocol, a program that sends and receives messages (over possibly insecure network)
- **Strand**: concrete execution of a role: all variables (here A, B, NA, NB) instantiated with concrete values
 - ★ or a prefix thereof (an agent might not finish)

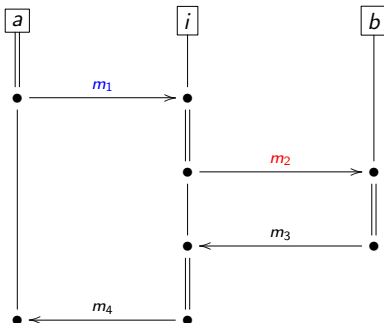
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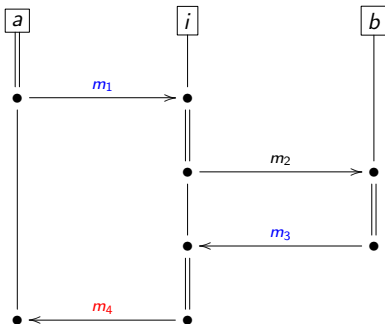
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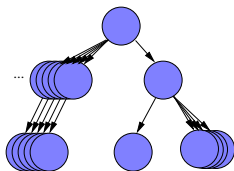
Infinite State Space

Problem 1: at any time, any number of people can run the protocol in parallel. (Think of TLS...)

- For now we **bound the number of sessions**: only finitely many strands of honest agents
- Later: how to verify for unbounded sessions

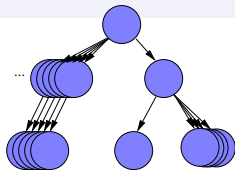
Problem 2: at any time the intruder has an infinite choice of message they can construct and send to an agent.

- We will **solve** this problem with a constraint approach: **the lazy intruder**.



Lazy Intruder: Overview

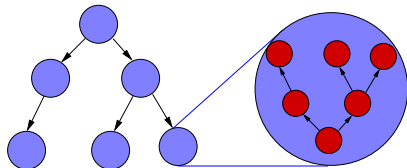
Even for bounded sessions we have an infinite tree of reachable states, i.e., how the intruder can interact with honest agents.



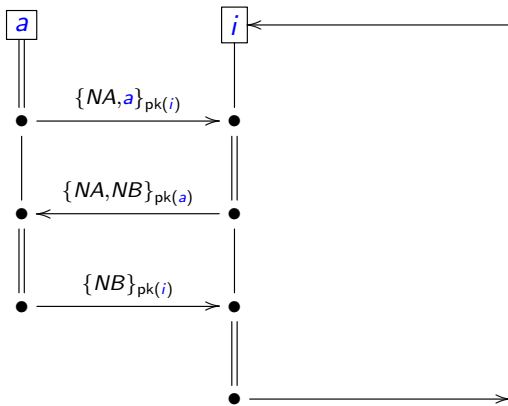
Idea: **symbolic states**

Each state is an attack scenario: a sequence of interactions with honest agents, leaving undetermined what exactly the intruder sends.

- Then each state is a constraint solving problem: “Can the intruder generate all messages that the attack scenario has?”
- This will be a backward search: we start at the complete attack scenario and try to see how the intruder could have constructed this.



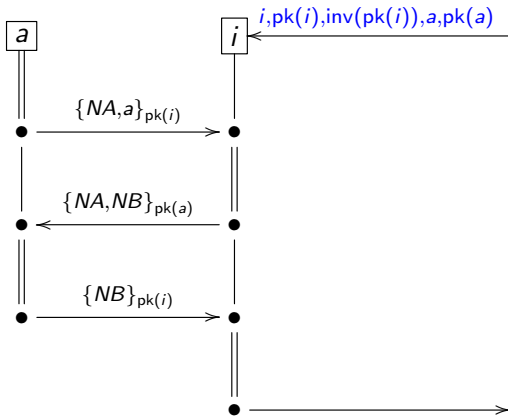
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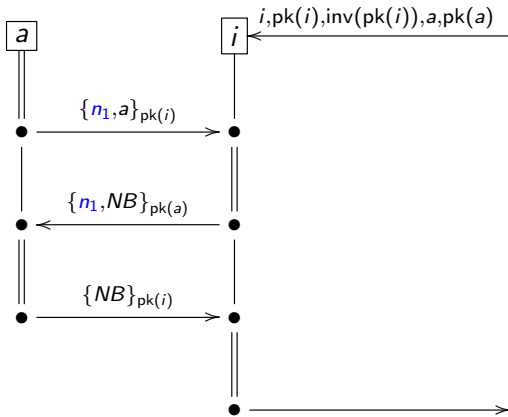
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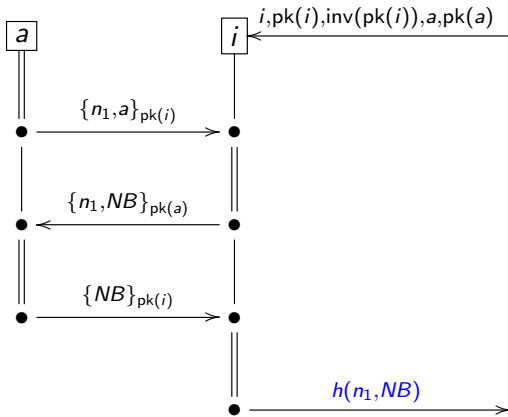
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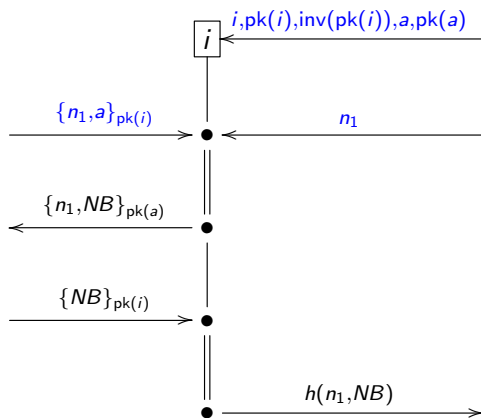
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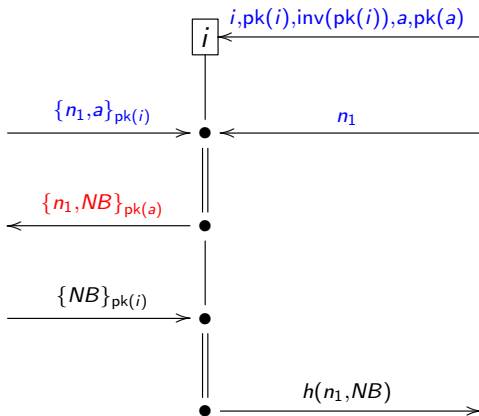
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Analysis of the first incoming messages:

- i can decrypt $\{n_1, a\}_{pk(a)}$ and obtain n_1 .

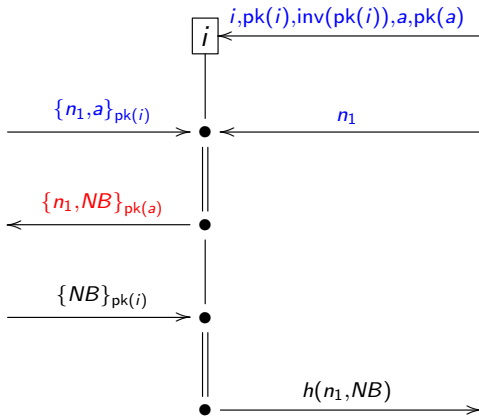
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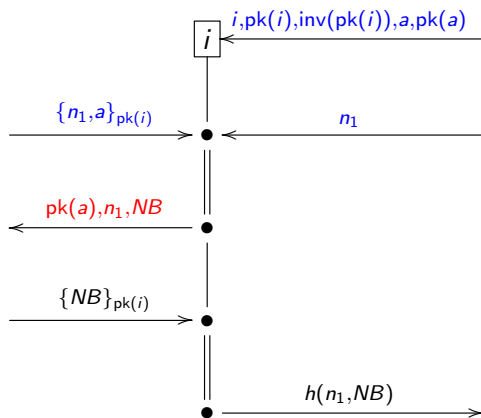
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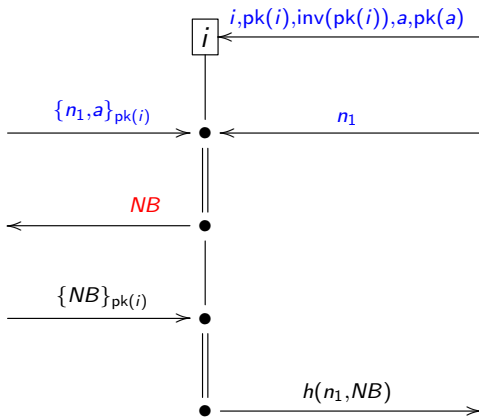
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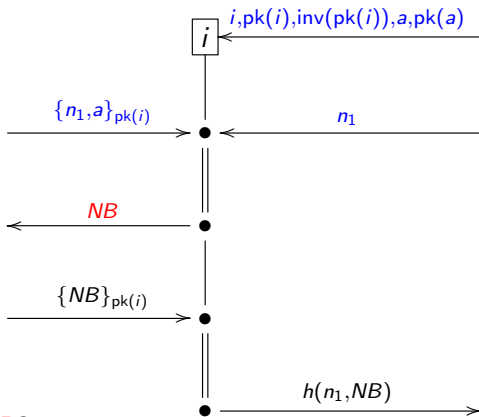
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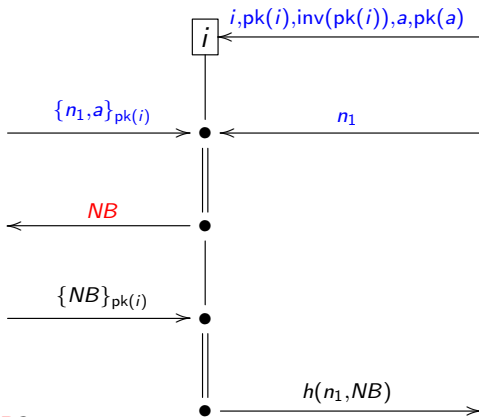
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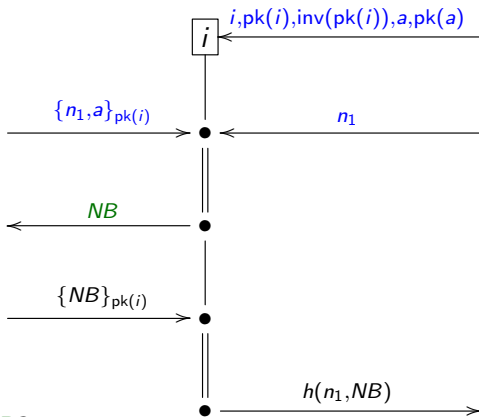
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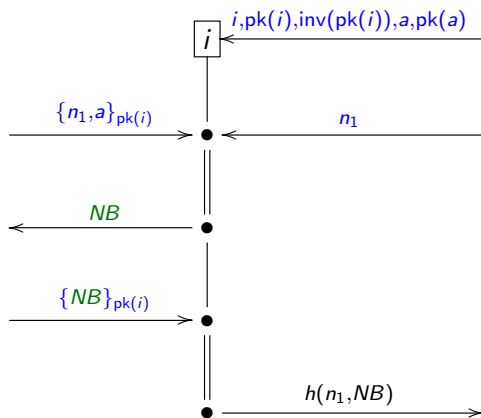
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 - ★ It does not matter what NB is at this point, so we do not decide what NB is – until it matters.

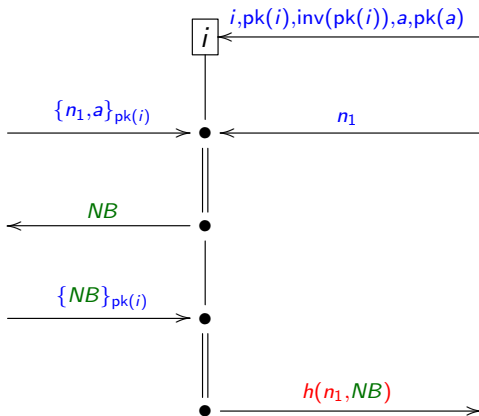
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Analyzing the next incoming message: $\{NB\}_{pk(i)}$

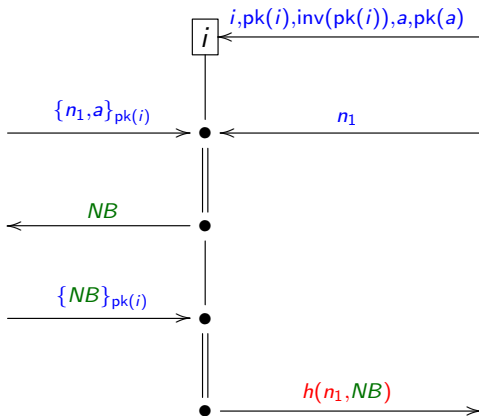
- i can decrypt it, but that yields just NB .
- Whatever NB is, it came from i , so nothing new!

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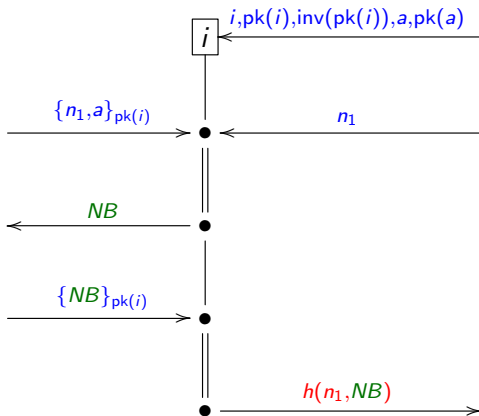
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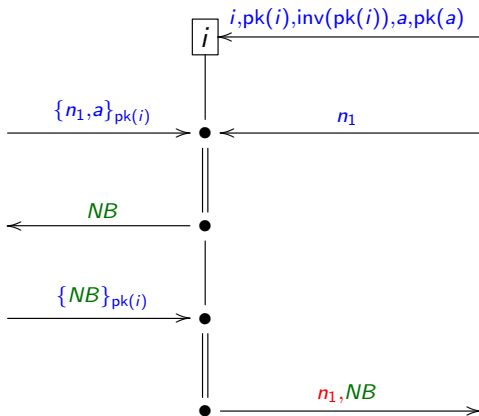
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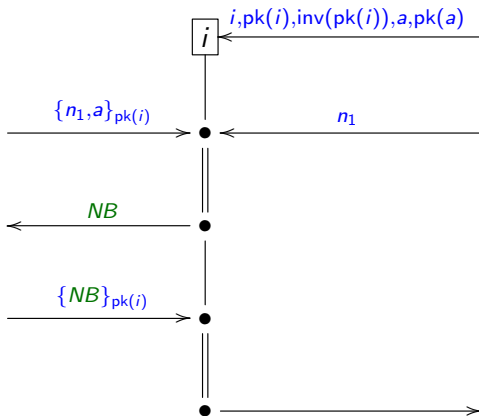
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Executability

OFMC checks executability in a different way:

- OFMC checks that every role has sufficient knowledge to construct the messages they are supposed to send.
- If this check fails, OFMC stops with a message of the form
At knowledge ... the following message cannot be produced ...
- If the check works, however, then the intruder can play every role that they are allowed to play.
- This is the **semantics** of AnB: How do honest agents actually behave?
 - ★ This definition is not quite trivial and we do not go into the full details in this course.
 - ★ The full details are found in Almousa, M., and Viganò. *Alice and Bob: Reconciling Formal Models and Implementation*. Festschrift in honor of Pierpaolo Degano, 2015;
<http://imm.dtu.dk/samo/SPS.pdf>
 - ★ Next slide shows why it's complicated...

Challenge

Consider the following protocol:

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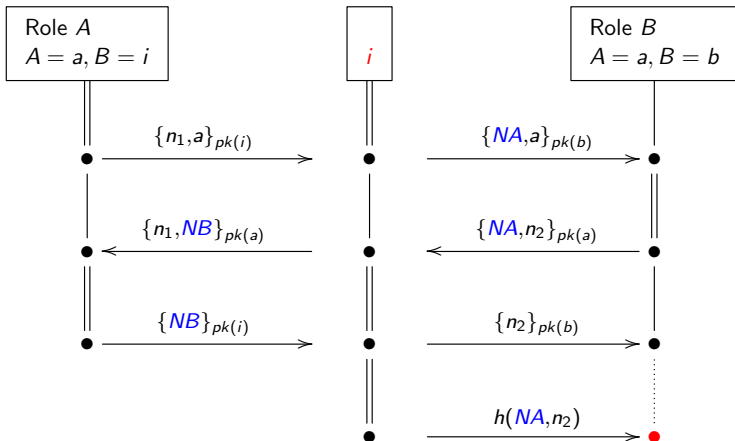
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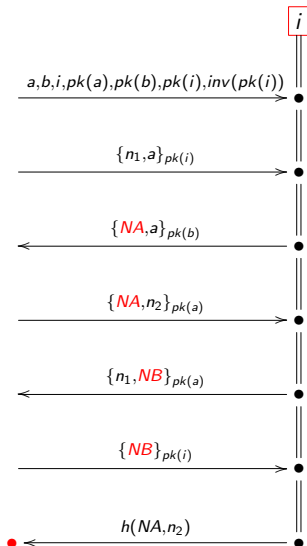
Scenario



The challenge labeled \bullet :

- Can the intruder produce the secret session key $h(NA, n_2)$?

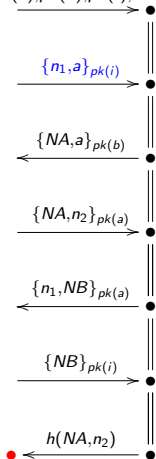
Choose and Check



- For simplicity we display here only outgoing and incoming messages of the intruder.

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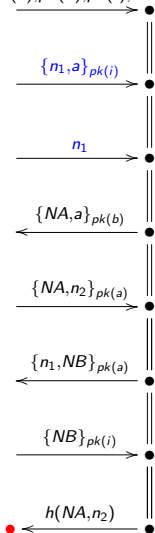
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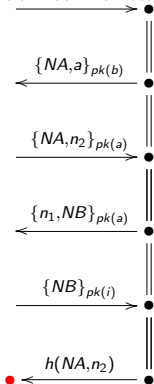
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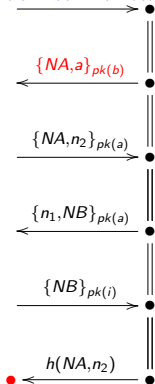
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- Compressing notation a bit

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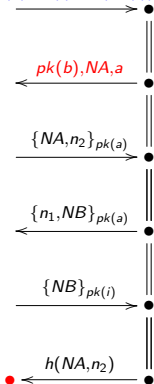
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- Consider the first outgoing message $\{NA, a\}_{pk(b)}$
- Axiom does not work (no matching message **known**)
- So let us go for composition.

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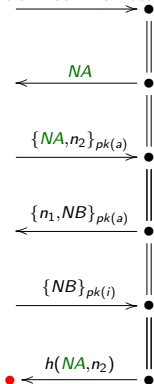
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- $pk(b)$ and a are known – done with Axiom

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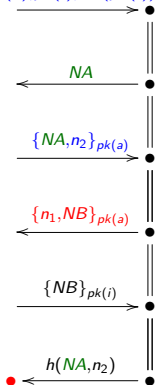
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- NA is a variable: here we are **lazy**.

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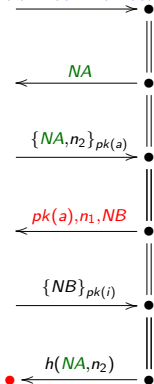
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- The next incoming message $\{NA, n_2\}_{pk(a)}$ cannot be decrypted since i does not have $inv(pk(a))$.
 - The next outgoing message $\{n_1, NB\}_{pk(a)}$
 - ★ Axiom is possible
 - ★ Compose is possible
- We need to check both.
Let's try compose first.

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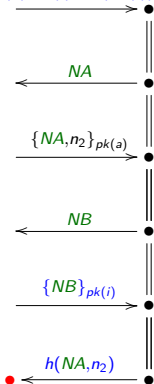
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- Composing $\{n_1, NB\}_{pk(a)}$
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- NB is a variable and we are lazy again.

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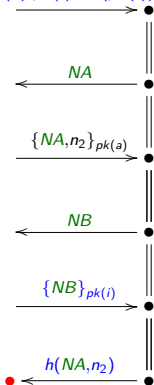
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- We can decrypt $\{NB\}_{pk(i)}$
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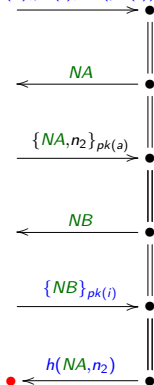
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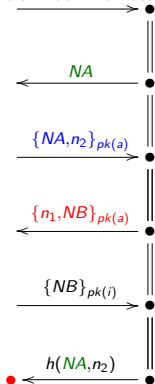
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- So: backtrack to the last point with an alternative.

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- The next outgoing message

$\{n_1, NB\}_{pk(a)}$

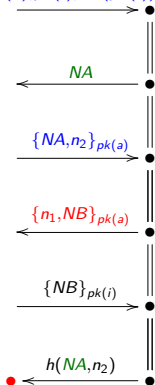
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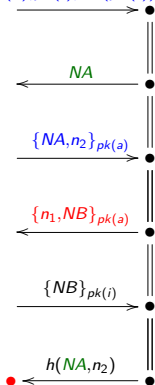
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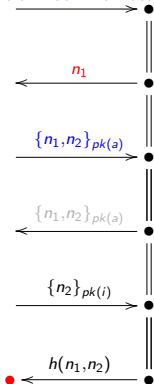
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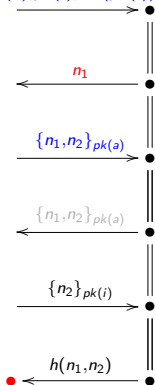
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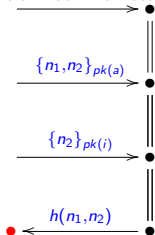
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- The NA where we were lazy is replaced by the concrete n_1 now.
 - ★ We cannot be lazy about that – but n_1 is known
 - ★ Handled by Axiom

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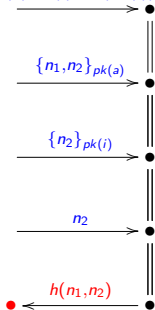
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- The message $\{n_2\}_{pk(i)}$ can be decrypted, giving us n_2 .

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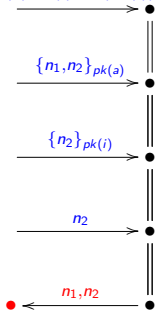


It remains to solve the challenge $h(n_1, n_2)$:

- Axiom cannot be applied
- Try Composition

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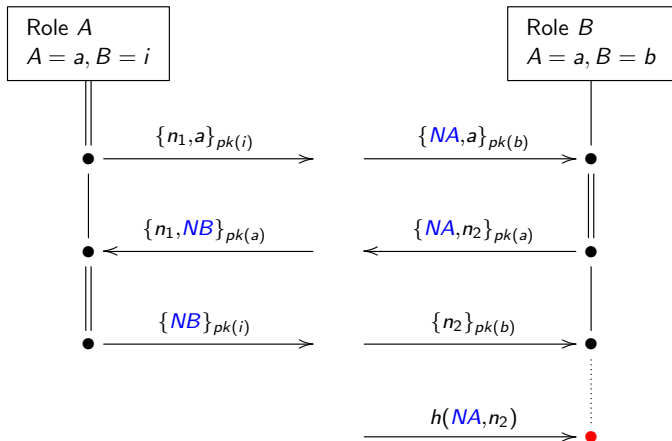
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- Both n_1 and n_2 are known – Axiom.
- SOLVED!

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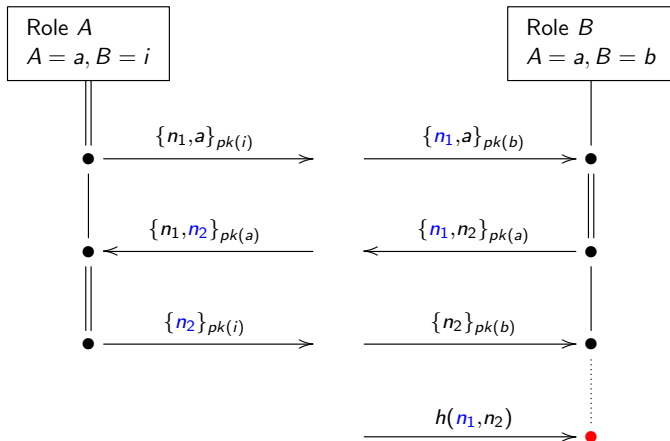


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- This attack was first found by Lowe [1996]

Needham-Schroeder-Lowe [1996]

Protocol: NSL

Types: Agent A, B;
Number NA, NB;
Function pk, h

Knowledge: A: A, pk(A), inv(pk(A)), B, pk(B), h;
B: B, pk(B), inv(pk(B)), A, pk(A), h

Actions:

A → B: {NA, A}(pk(B))

B → A: {NA, NB, B}(pk(A))

Inserted B's name into the message

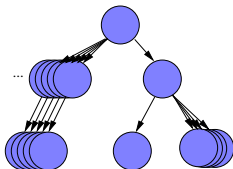
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Goals:

h(NA, NB) secret between A, B

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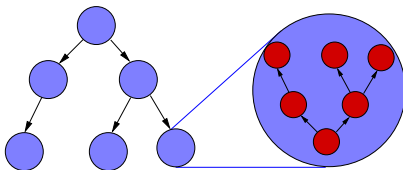
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Constraint Solving

Go step by step through the constraint.

- For incoming messages: can a decryption rule be applied?
If so, add the decrypted message also as an incoming message
 - ★ When the key contains variables this can be handled by adding the key as an outgoing message, i.e., require that the intruder can produce it.
- For outgoing messages
 - ★ If it is a variable: be **lazy** for now.
 - ▶ If it gets replaced, you need to come back here.
 - ★ Otherwise: check **all** following possibilities (backtracking!):
 - ▶ Compose: can a compose rule be applied?
 - ▶ Axiom: can the axiom rule be applied?
This may require instantiating **variables**

Lazy Intruder: Summary

Theorem (Rusinowitch & Turuani 2001)

Protocol insecurity for a bounded number of sessions is NP-complete.

Proof Sketch.

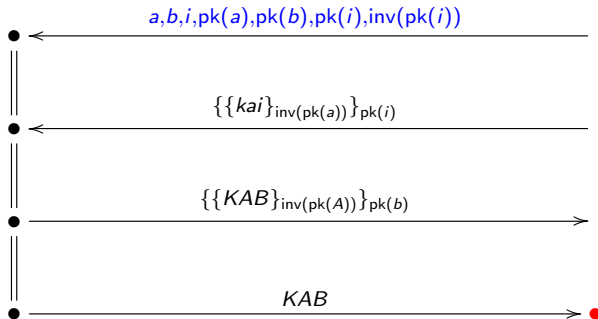
In NP: **Guess** a symbolic attack trace for the given strands and a sequence of reduction steps for the resulting constraints. **Check** that this sequence of reduction steps solves the constraint.

NP-hard: Polynomial reduction for boolean formulae to security protocols such that formula satisfiable iff protocol has an attack. \square

Relevant Research Papers

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Exercise



Exercise: show that this constraint has both

- a solution where $A = i$ (i.e., a normal execution)
- a solution where $A = a$ (i.e., an attack)

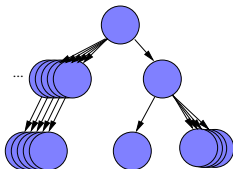
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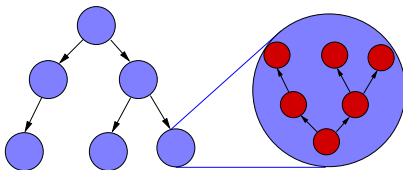
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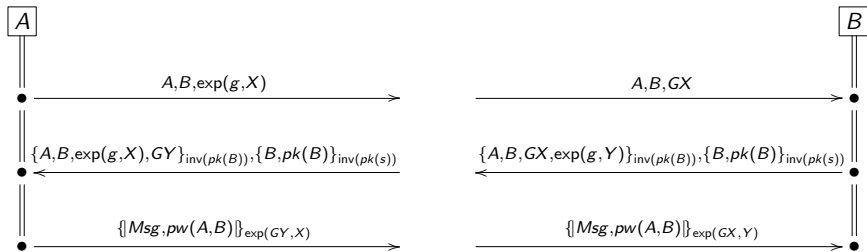
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Strands

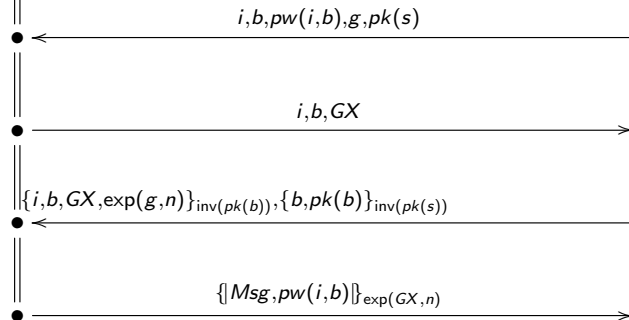
How the protocol is really executed
from A 's perspective and from B 's perspective.



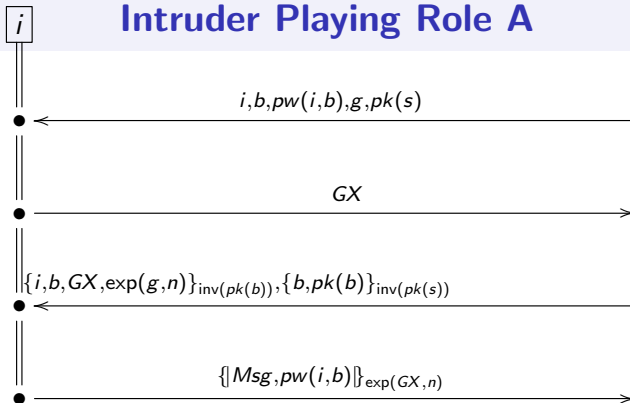
- Note that A has a variable GY for what is **supposed** to be the half-key $\exp(g, Y)$ of B .
 - ★ A cannot check anything about this message
 - ★ A accepts **anything** for $\exp(g, Y)$ and continues with that.
- A similar situation is on B 's side with GX .

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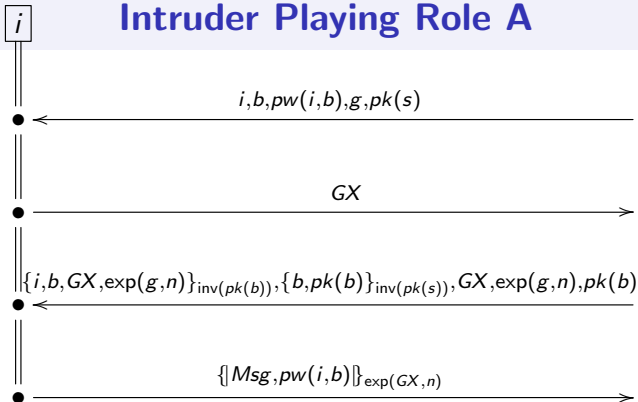


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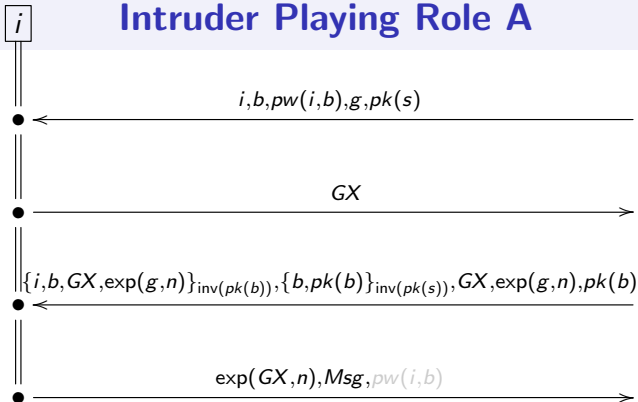
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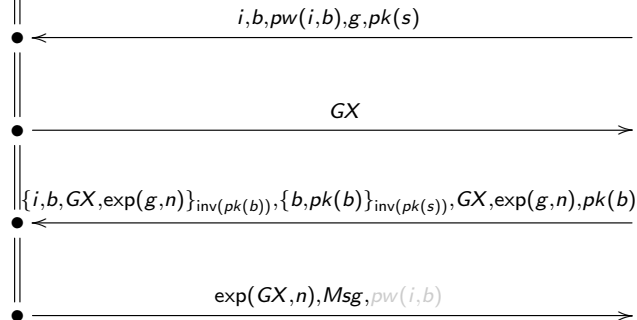
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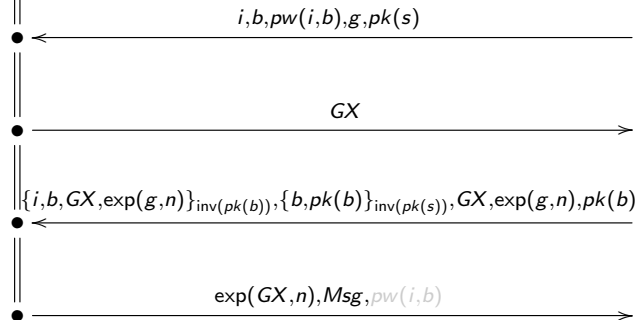
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- 3 encryption using compose, $pw(i, b)$ can be done with axiom
- 4 compose on $\exp(GX, n)$ doesn't work: we lack n
- 5 we can unify with $\exp(g, n)$ under $GX = g$.

Diffie-Hellman in General

Diffie-Hellman in general is difficult: we need to take into account the property

$$\exp(\exp(g, X), Y) = \exp(\exp(g, Y), X)$$

- This simple property makes the entire Dolev-Yao/Lazy Intruder deduction more difficult.
- We will just ignore it in discussions of our methods for simplicity.
- OFMC however can handle the intruder deduction modulo exponentiation.

Diffie-Hellman: Implementation

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Group Op.	$\times : \mathbb{Z}_p^* \times \mathbb{Z}_p^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ (Mult. modulo p)	
Generator	$g \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$	
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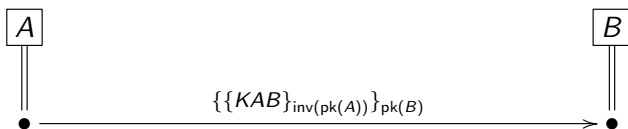
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Last Week's Challenge #2

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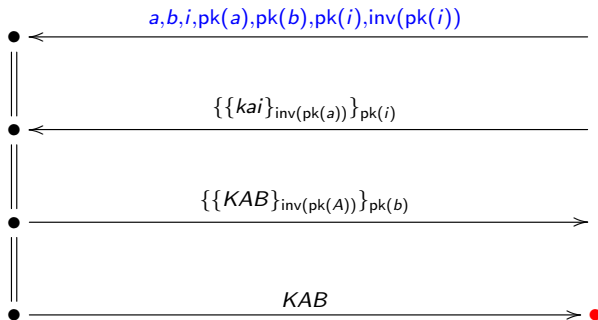


where KAB is a fresh session key that A and B can use thereafter.¹

¹Note that if you try this in OFMC you get a special attack ...

- unless $A = B$ is excluded
- because OFMC uses a special algebraic property that $\{\{M\}_{\text{inv}(K)}\}_K = M$

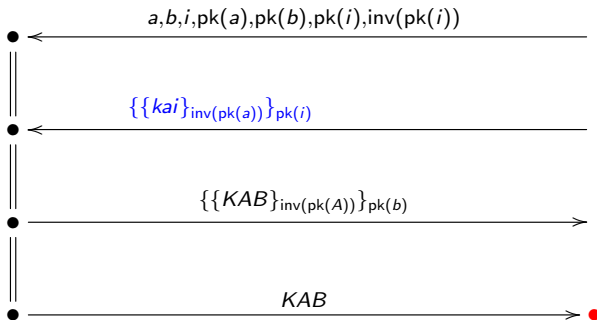
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Exercise: show that this constraint has both

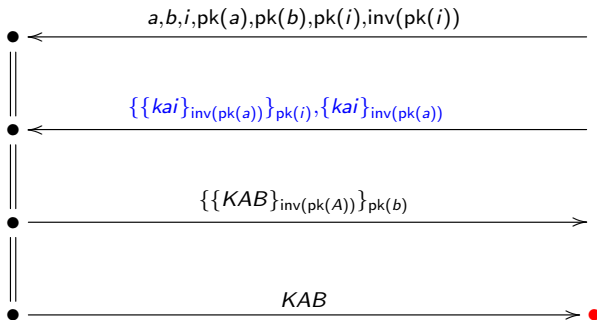
- a solution where $A = i$ (i.e., a normal execution)
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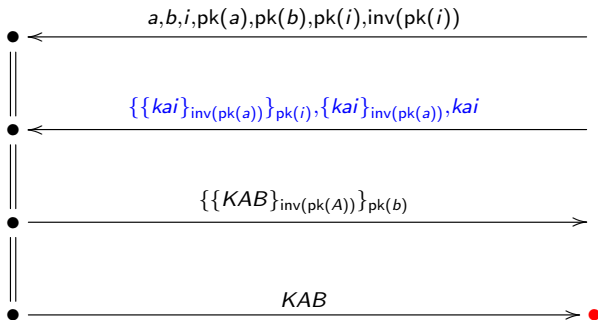
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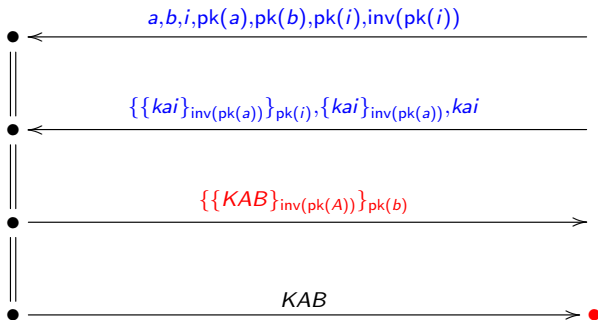
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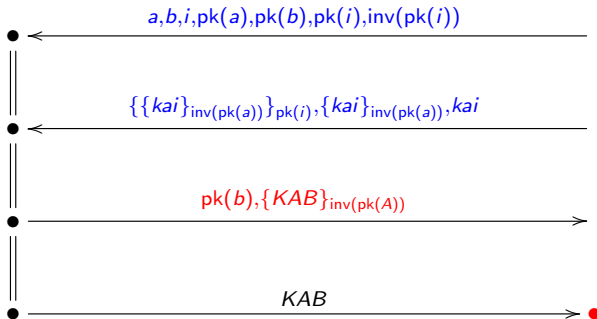
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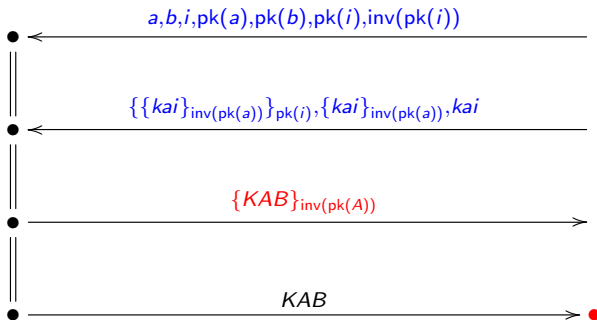
- The **outgoing message** is encrypted with $pk(b)$ and the intruder has no such message in his knowledge
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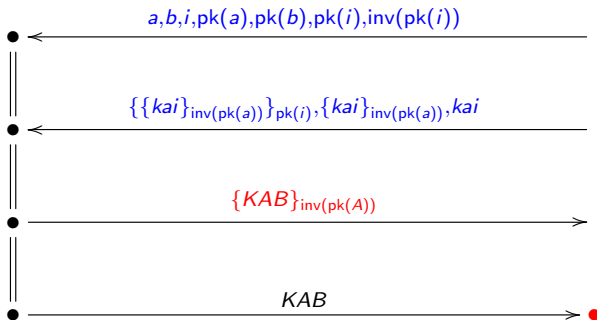
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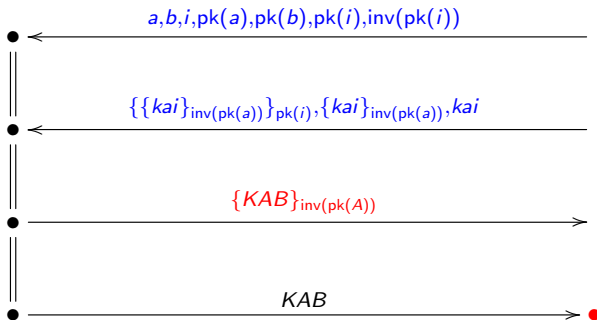
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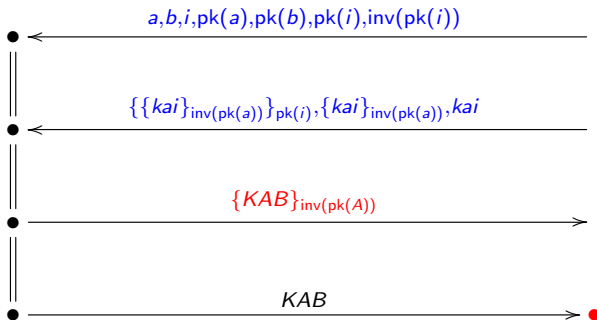
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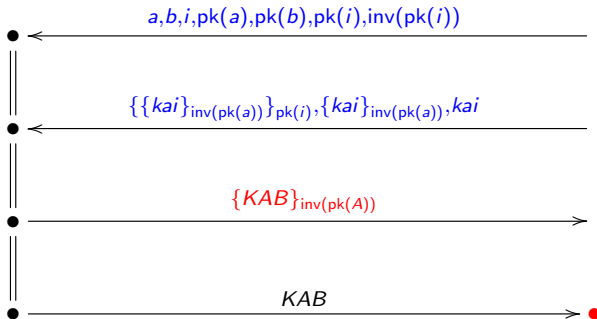
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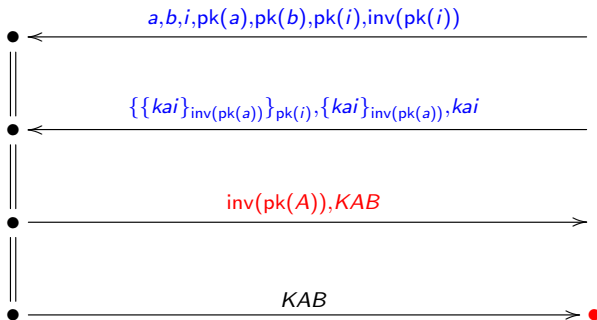
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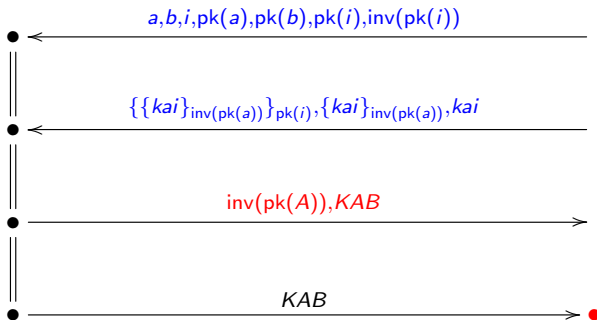
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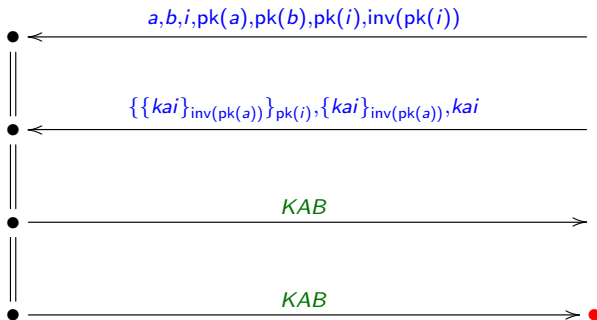
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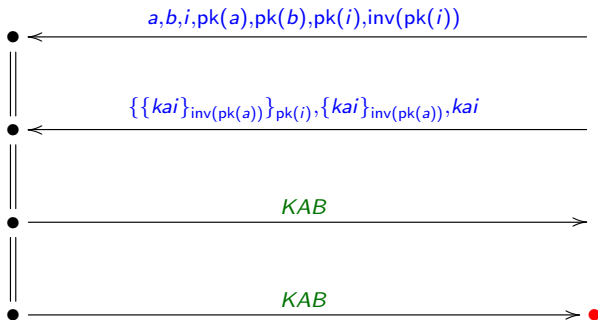
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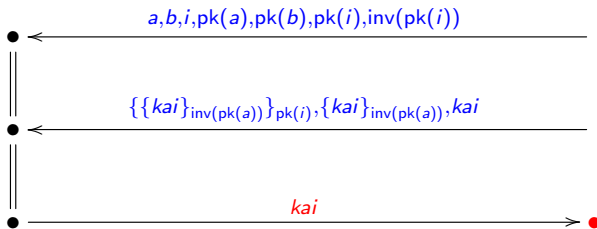
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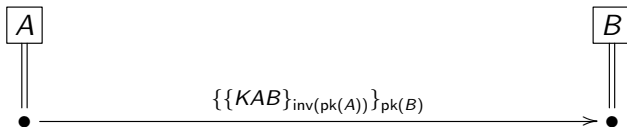
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- This actually is the normal protocol execution with the intruder playing role A .

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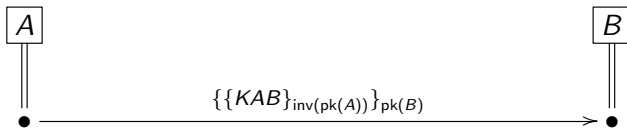


- Using (2) Axiom case ($A = a, KAB = kai$)
 - ★ It remains to generate kai – with Axiom
- This is actually an attack to the protocol.

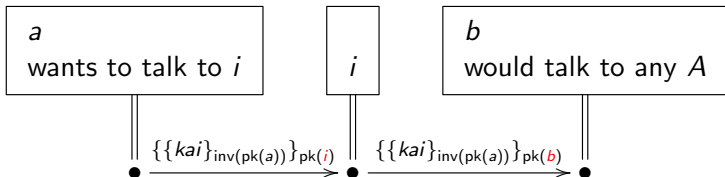
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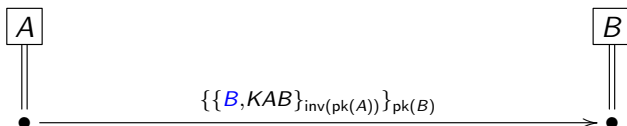
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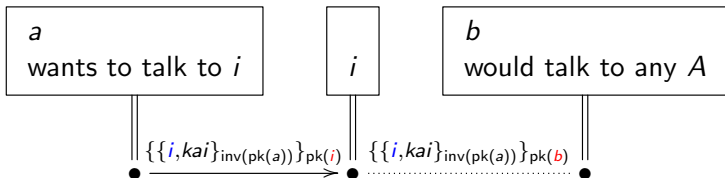
- a thinks: *kai* is a secure session key with *i* ✓
- b thinks: *kai* is a secure session key with *a* ✗
- ★ the intruder knows *kai* and *a* might have never heard of *b*.

A Common Mistake...

Include the name of the intended recipient in the signature:



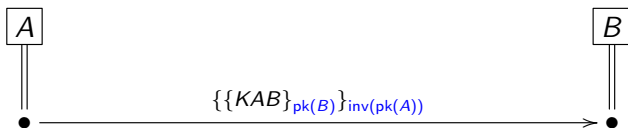
The attack does not work anymore:



- Always be clear what the messages **mean**!

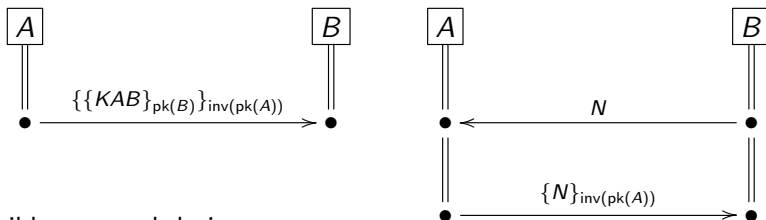
An Alternative Solution

What about first encrypting and then signing?



- Indeed, this also prevents the attack.
- This violates, however, a common recommendation:
 - ★ Do not design protocols where users must sign encrypted data.
 - ★ Why not?

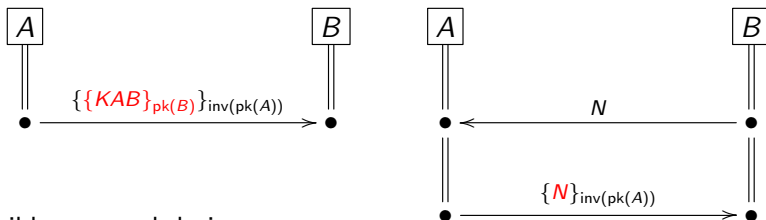
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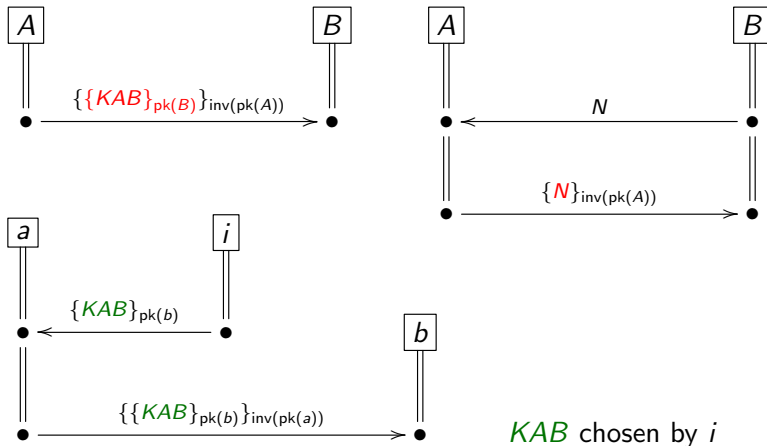
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Terrible protocol design:

- while each of these protocols is secure in isolation
- together they break because the **signed messages** don't say what they mean...

Mind the Environment



Attack/Confusion: a runs right protocol, b runs left protocol.
This is called a **type flaw attack**.

Classics: Otway-Rees [1987]

see OFMC examples/6.3-Sym-Key-TTP/

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- Actually secure in default **typed** mode.
- Use option **--untyped** to get an attack (or remove type declaration for KAB):

ATTACK TRACE:

$(x401, 1) \rightarrow i: M(1), x401, x25, \{ | NA(1), M(1), x401, x25 | \}_-(sk(x401, s))$
 $i \rightarrow (x401, 1): M(1), x401, x25, \{ | NA(1), M(1), x401, x25 | \}_-(sk(x401, s))$

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$M, A, B, \{NA, M, A, B\}_{sk(A,s)}$

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- i can replay the former message in place of the latter

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- Designers must make message formats sufficiently different whenever they mean something different!
- Actually, implementations will not just use string concatenation to structure messages.

Structuring Messages

Real-world Example: TLS 1.3 Handshake

```
enum { client_hello(1),
       server_hello(2),
       new_session_ticket(4),
       ...
} HandshakeType;

struct {
    HandshakeType msg_type;    /* handshake type */
    uint24 length;           /* remaining bytes in message */
    select (Handshake.msg_type) {
        case client_hello:    ClientHello;
        case server_hello:    ServerHello;
        ...
    };
} Handshake;

uint16 ProtocolVersion;
opaque Random[32];
uint8 CipherSuite[2];    /* Cryptographic suite selector */

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;
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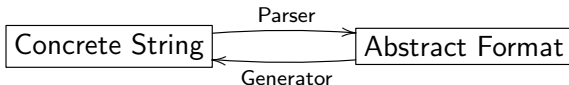
Concrete syntax of message formats, e.g.:

- Record data types (like TLS)
- XML
- JSON
- ...

Abstract syntax of message formats:

- A new **function symbol** for each message format, e.g.
client_hello(random, cipher_suites, extensions)
- The **arguments** are simply messages (can be random numbers, agent names, encrypted messages,...)
- The function symbol represents abstractly that there is some concrete way to structure the data.

Concrete and Abstract syntax connected by a **parser** and a **generator**:



Crypto API

For concrete implementations, we assume a **crypto-library**:

- `String script(String key, String msg)`
implements a symmetric encryption (like AES)
- `String dscript(String key, String cipher)`
implements the corresponding decryption algorithm
will fail if `cipher` is not the result of an encryption with `key`.
- Similar functions for other cryptographic primitives.

We expect that $\text{dscript}(k, \text{script}(k, m)) = m$.

Cryptographic soundness results:

- Roughly: by cryptanalysis the intruder cannot achieve anything that he could not achieve by calls of the crypto-API.
- Can be shown under some restrictions and hardness assumptions
e.g. [Abadi & Rogaway] [Backes et al.]

Non-Crypto API

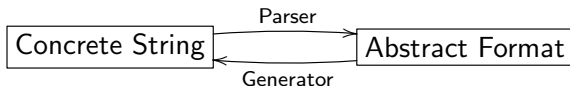
Similarly, we assume a **non-crypto-library**:

For every format $f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$:

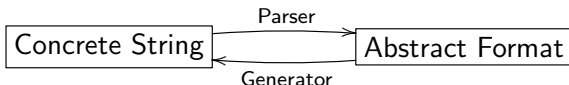
- A corresponding data-type F that has fields for t_1, \dots, t_n
- F $\text{parseF}(\text{String } s)$ that tries to parse the given string for this format and return a corresponding data structure.
- $\text{String generate}(F \text{ form})$ that generates a string from the given data structure.

We expect that

- $\text{parseF}(\text{generate}(\text{form})) = \text{form}$
for every object form of datatype F
- $\text{generate}(\text{parseF}(s)) = s$
for every string s where $\text{parseF}(s)$ does not fail.



Soundness



Desirable properties:

- **Unambiguous:** For a concrete string there is **at most** one way to parse it for a format.
- **Disjointness:** No string can be parsed for more than one format.

A **soundness result for the non-crypto API** [M.&Katsoris]:

- Similar to the result for soundness of the crypto API
- Roughly: by string manipulation the intruder cannot achieve anything that he could not achieve by calls of the non-crypto-API.
- Requires that formats are unambiguous and pairwise disjoint, and soundness of crypto.

Formats for Otway Rees

Consider again the Otway-Rees protocol – without the cleartext messages for simplicity:

```
A → B: { | NA , M , A , B | } sk ( A , s )  
B → s: { | NA , M , A , B | } sk ( A , s ) ,  
       { | NB , M , A , B | } sk ( B , s )  
s → B: { | NA , KAB | } sk ( A , s ) ,  
       { | NB , KAB | } sk ( B , s )  
B → A: { | NA , KAB | } sk ( A , s )
```

Uses two different message formats:

- NA, M, A, B of type number, number, agent, agent.
- NA, KAB of type nonce, symkey.

We could define two data-formats for this:

- $f1(N, M, A, B)$ with four arguments
- $f2(N, K)$ with two arguments

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Notes:

- The intruder can construct and deconstruct $f1$ and $f2$ like concatenations.

Formats in OFMC

Types: Format f_1, f_2 ;

...

Knowledge: $A: A, B, sk(A, s)$;

$B: B, A, sk(B, s)$;

$s: A, B, sk(A, s), sk(B, s)$

Actions:

$A \rightarrow B: M, A, B, \{|f_1(NA, M, A, B)|\}sk(A, s)$

$B \rightarrow s: M, A, B, \{|f_1(NA, M, A, B)|\}sk(A, s), \{|f_1(NB, M, A, B)|\}sk(B, s)$

$s \rightarrow B: M, \{|f_2(NA, KAB)|\}sk(A, s), \{|f_2(NB, KAB)|\}sk(B, s)$

$B \rightarrow A: M, \{|f_2(NA, KAB)|\}sk(A, s)$

Goals:...

- Formats are automatically in the knowledge of every agent, thus also the intruder can apply them.
- Formats are transparent: if the intruder knows $f_1(NB, M, A, B)$ then also NB, M, A, B .

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Does using formats **prevent all type-flaw attacks** on Otway-Rees?

- The intruder can still construct and send messages like $\{ | f1(a, b, i, b) | \}_{sk(i, s)}$
- This message is called **ill-typed** because it contains agents where numbers are expected
- It would actually still be accepted by the server.

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Does using formats **prevent all type-flaw attacks** on Otway-Rees?

- The intruder can still construct and send messages like
 $\{ | f1(a, b, i, b) | \} sk(i, s)$
- This message is called **ill-typed** because it contains agents where numbers are expected
- It would actually still be accepted by the server.
- Idea: the intruder cannot really exploit this, because nobody would accidentally read this as an $f2$ message for instance.

Message Patterns

- We now give a result for protocols that are **resistant to type flaws** – a notion we need to define.
- For that, we first define what **sub-message patterns** are.

Definition (Sub-Message-Patterns)

The **sub-message patterns** $SMP(P)$ of a protocol P are the **least set**

- that contains all the protocol messages
- for every message $f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \in SMP(P)$
also the sub-messages t_1, \dots, t_n are in $SMP(P)$.
- for every message of the form $\{m\}_k \in SMP(P)$
also $inv(k) \in SMP(P)$.

For simplicity, every pair m_1, m_2 can directly be considered as two messages m_1 and m_2 .

Finally, rename all variables such that every two distinct messages $s, t \in SMP(P)$ have no variables in common.

Example: Otway-Rees

Messages of the protocol:

$M, A, B, \{ | f1(NA, M, A, B) | \}_{sk(A, s)},$
 $M, A, B, \{ | f1(NA, M, A, B) | \}_{sk(A, s)},$
 $\{ | f1(NB, M, A, B) | \}_{sk(B, s)},$
 $M, \{ | f2(NA, KAB) | \}_{sk(A, s)}, \{ | f2(NB, KAB) | \}_{sk(B, s)},$
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Subterms:

$f1(NA, M, A, B)$
 $f2(NA, KAB)$
 $sk(A, s), NA, M, A, B$

Example: Otway-Rees

Renaming (and removing duplicates)

$SMP(Otway - Rees) = \{$

$M_1, A_1, B_1,$

$\{ | f_1(NA_2, M_2, A_2, B_2) | \} sk(A_2, s),$

$\{ | f_1(NB_3, M_3, A_3, B_3) | \} sk(B_3, s),$

$\{ | f_2(NA_4, KAB_4) | \} sk(A_4, s),$

$\{ | f_2(NB_5, KAB_5) | \} sk(B_5, s),$

$f_1(NA_6, M_6, A_6, B_6)$

$f_2(NA_7, KAB_7)$

$sk(A_8, s),$

NA_9

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Type-Flaw Resistance

Type-Flaw Resistance

A protocol is called **type-flaw resistant** if the following holds:

- Take any two elements s and t of the message patterns that are not variables
- If s and t can be unified then s and t have the same type.

Example: Otway-Rees

We have to check only messages that are not variables themselves:

1. $\{ | f1(NA_2, M_2, A_2, B_2) | \}_{sk(A_2, s)},$
2. $\{ | f1(NB_3, M_3, A_3, B_3) | \}_{sk(B_3, s)},$
3. $\{ | f2(NA_4, KAB_4) | \}_{sk(A_4, s)},$
4. $\{ | f2(NB_5, KAB_5) | \}_{sk(B_5, s)},$
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The only pairs of unifiable messages are:

- 1. and 2. – are of the same type
- 3. and 4. – are of the same type

These are all type-correct. Thus **type-flaw resistant!**

Counter-Example: Original Otway-Rees

The original protocol without formats:

1. $\{ | NA_2, M_2, A_2, B_2 | \} sk(A_2, s),$
2. $\{ | NB_3, M_3, A_3, B_3 | \} sk(B_3, s),$
3. $\{ | NA_4, KAB_4 | \} sk(A_4, s),$
4. $\{ | NB_5, KAB_5 | \} sk(B_5, s),$
5. $sk(A_7, s),$

For instance, 1. and 3. have a unifier

- $NA_2=NA_4, (M_2, A_2, B_2)=KAB_4, A_2=B_3$
- This violates our notion of type-flaw resistance, so the following theorem about type-flaw resistant protocols **does not apply**.
- Note that the entire concatenation M_2, A_2, B_2 is here a single message that can be unified with KAB .
 - ★ This may or may not work in a real implementation...

A Typing Result

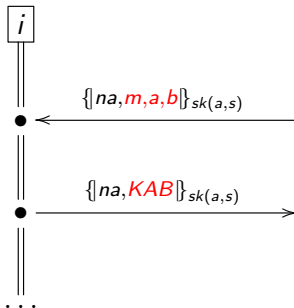
Theorem

Given an attack against a type-flaw resistant protocol. Then there is a **well-typed** attack against the protocol, i.e., where the intruder sends no **ill-typed** messages. [Hess & M.], extending [Arapinis & Dufлот]

- As a consequence, it is sound to restrict the intruder model to well-typed messages for type-flaw resistant protocols.
- This often cuts a lot “garbage” from the analysis in many questions.
- This comes at a low price: clear messages are good engineering practice anyway!

Proof Idea

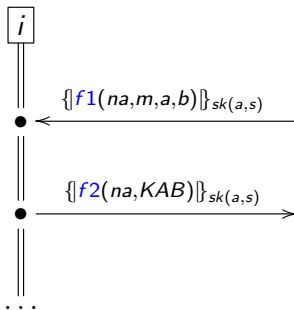
When the lazy intruder analyzes a protocol that is **not type flaw-resistant**, the following can happen:



and the intruder solves this by an Axiom, leading to the **ill-typed** unifier $KAB = (m, a, b)$.

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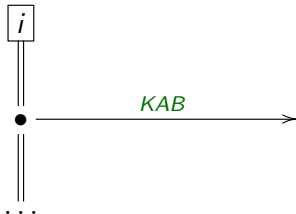
When the lazy intruder analyzes a protocol that is **type flow-resistant**



the unification is not possible when the terms in question have different type – and are not variables.

Proof Idea

If a term to generate is a **variable**, e.g.:



we are **lazy** and there is always **something well-typed** i can use.

Thus, on type-flaw resistant protocols

- the lazy intruder never performs an ill-typed substitution
- for all remaining variables there is well-typed choice.
- and thus, if there is an attack, then there is a well-typed one.

Summary

For secure implementations:

- Use a well-established crypto library
 - ★ Do not cook up your own stuff (unless you are a cryptographer)
 - ★ Make sure you understand the requirements and guarantees of the library and its functions, and what they achieve
- Mind the things that are not crypto:
 - ★ Define precise formats
 - ★ Check they are unambiguous and pairwise disjoint
 - ★ Write parsers and generators that do not suffer from buffer overflows and the like
- Ensure that all subterms of different types are distinguishable
 - ★ Use the formats for that
 - ★ Do use crypto on raw data like $\{N\}_{\text{inv}(k)}$.
- Verify your abstract design with a tool like OFMC to find logical flaws – in the typed model.

Challenge/Free Exercise

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- Can you find a type-flaw attack against this protocol?
Hint: ignore A and s and consider just one honest b in role B .
- Can you suggest formats for this protocol so that it becomes type-flaw resistant?

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02244 Logic for Security Security Protocols Channels and Composition

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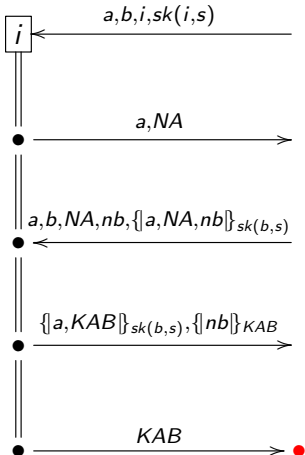
Idea:

- The messages $\{|A, NA, NB|\}_{sk(B, s)}$ and $\{|A, KAB|\}_{sk(B, s)}$ have a unifier
- The intruder can take the message that an honest b in role B sends to s and send it as an answer to b .
- a in role A and s do not even send or receive any message.

But does this even work out?

- Can the intruder even produce $\{|NB|\}_{KAB}$ and KAB ?

Solution



initial knowledge

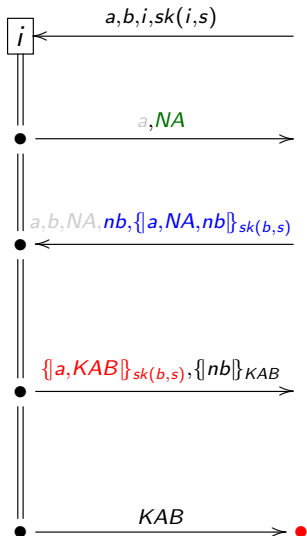
posing as $a : A$, sending to $b : B$

b 's answer to s

the message b expects to receive from a

challenge: generate the session key

Solution



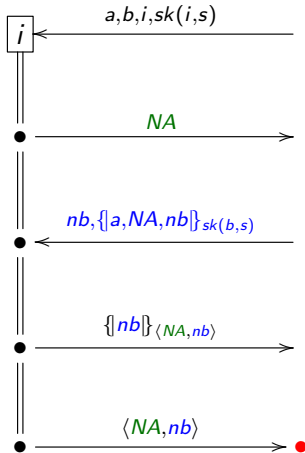
a is known, for NA is treated lazily

a, b, NA already known

unify

$$\{a, KAB\}_{sk(b, s)} = nb, \{a, NA, nb\}_{sk(b, s)} \\ \implies KAB = \langle NA, nb \rangle$$

Solution

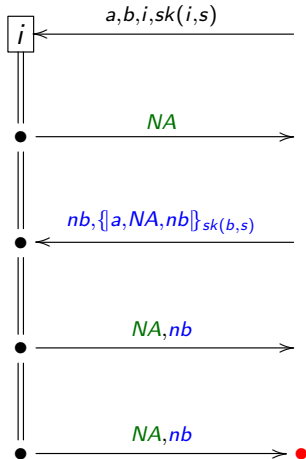


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second part of message still to do

Solution



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a, b, NA already known

just $known$ and $lazy$ components

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Challenge from Previous Module

So the attack trace is: (writing $i(a)$ for intruder claiming to be a)

$i(a) \rightarrow b: a, NA$

$b \rightarrow i(s): a, b, NA, nb, \{|a, NA, nb|\}sk(b, s)$

the server is just not involved by the intruder

$i(a) \rightarrow b: \{|a, NA, nb|\}sk(b, s), \{|NA, nb|\}(NA, nb)$

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 $\{ | f3(A, KAB) | \}_{sk(B, s)}$

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- The format $f3$ occurs twice because this is the same message
- Without $f4$ we do cannot achieve type-flaw resistance:
 - ★ $\{ | NB | \}_{KAB}$ would unify with all other encrypted messages.

Proving Type-Flaw Resistance

Message patterns of the annotated protocol:

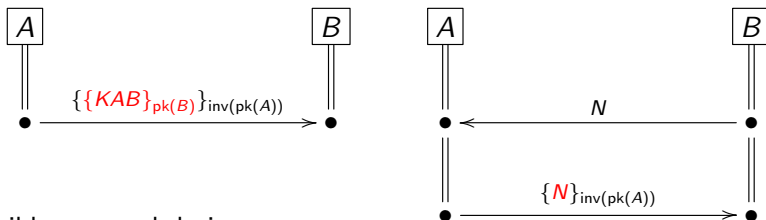
(Omitting again pairs and variables)

1. $\{ | f_1(A_1, NA_1, NB_1) | \} sk(B_1, s)$
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3. $\{ | f_3(A_3, KAB_3) | \} sk(B_3, s),$
4. $\{ | f_4(NB_4) | \} KAB_4,$
5. $f_1(A_5, NA_5, NB_5),$
6. $f_2(B_6, KAB_6, NA_6, NB_6),$
7. $f_3(A_7, KAB_7),$
8. $f_4(NB_8),$

Do any terms have an ill-typed unifier?

- Only the messages 1.-4. have the same top-level function symbol (symmetric encryption).
- In the messages 1.-4. the keys are unifiable with each other, but not the encrypted messages.

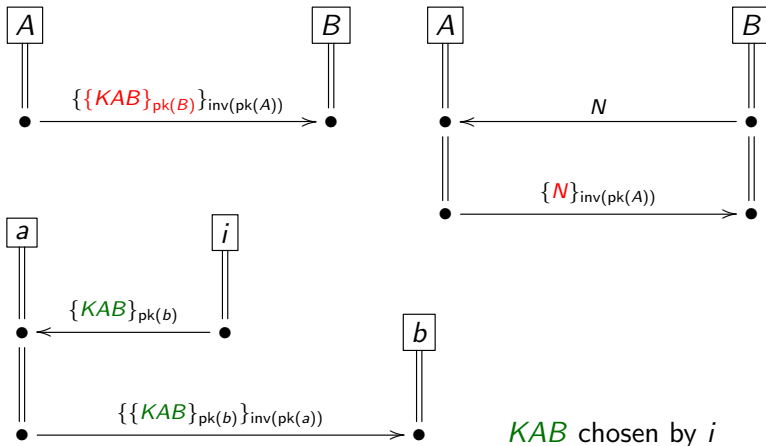
Recall: Mind the Environment



Terrible protocol design:

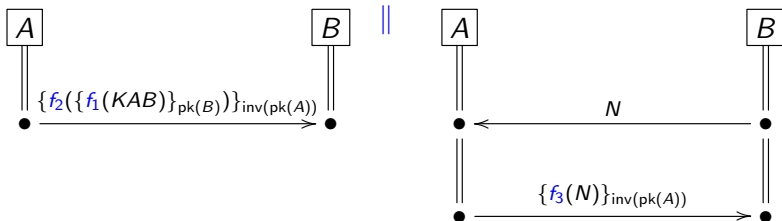
- while each of these protocols is (somewhat) secure in isolation
- together they break because the **signed messages** don't say what they mean...

Recall: Mind the Environment



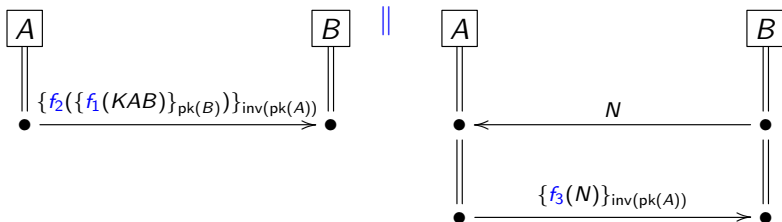
Attack/Confusion: a runs right protocol, b runs left protocol.
This is called a **type flaw attack**.

Parallel Composition



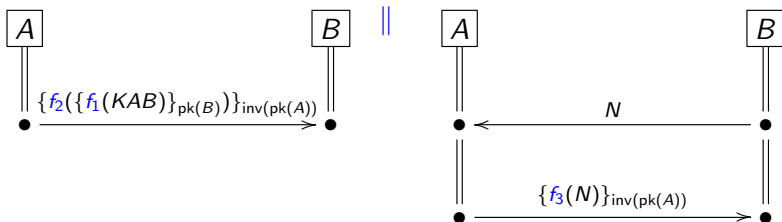
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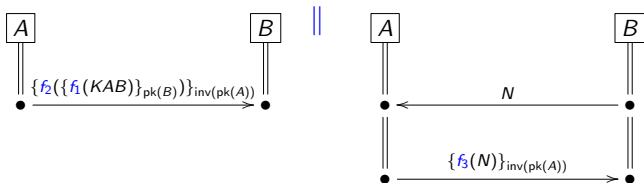


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 - ★ Then their parallel composition is also secure.
- Relevant: there are tons of protocols on the Internet
 - ★ Verifying them all at once is too complex
 - ★ Every new addition would require verification to start from zero

Parallel Composition Result [Hess et al.'18]

Definition (Parallel Composability)

- Given **type-flaw resistant** protocols P_1 and P_2
- There is a special set of **shared secrets** (e.g. $\text{inv}(\text{pk}(a))$).
- Some of these secrets are **explicitly declassified** (e.g. $\text{pk}(a), \text{pk}(i), \text{inv}(\text{pk}(i))$).
- Every well-typed message part of P_1 and P_2 is
 - ★ either a shared secret (classified or declassified)
 - ★ or **unique** to one of the protocols
- Neither protocol (in isolation) ever leaks a classified secret.



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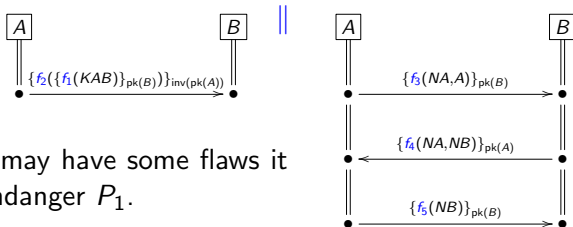
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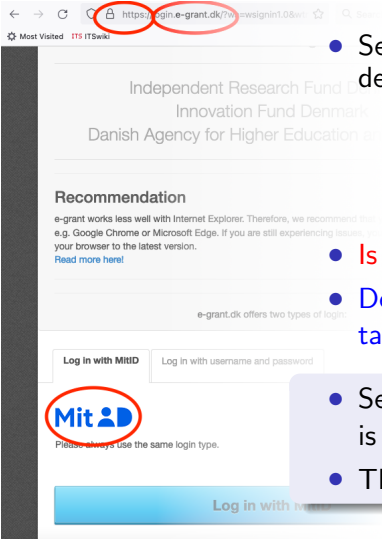
Theorem (Parallel Composability–Important Variant)

If P_1 and P_2 are parallel composable and P_1 is secure in isolation, then $P_1 \parallel P_2$ does not break any goals of P_1 .



Even if P_2 may have some flaws it does not endanger P_1 .

Vertical Composition: Example and Motivation

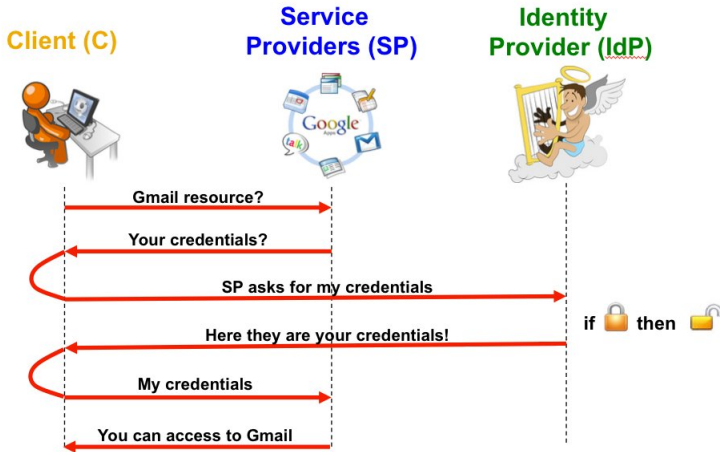


- Several components from independent developers:
 - ★ TLS (https): secure channels, authenticate servers
 - ★ MitID: authenticate user
 - ★ Payload application: e-grant system

- Is this secure?
- Developers cannot—and should not—all talk to each other!

- Security of components like TLS and MitID is well-understood.
- Their composition is not.

Example: Single Sign-On (SSO) with web-browser



Leaving abstract two components here:

- The channels are running over TLS
- The client must in some way authenticate to the IdP

Google's SSO

Knowledge: C: C, idp, SP, pk(idp);
 idp: C, idp, pk(idp), inv(pk(idp));
 SP: idp, SP, pk(idp)

Actions:

[C] $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ SP : C, SP, URI
SP $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ [C] : C, idp, SP, URI

C $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ idp : C, idp, SP, URI
idp $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ C : {C, idp}inv(pk(idp)), URI

[C] $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ SP : {C, idp}inv(pk(idp)), URI
SP $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ [C] : Data

Goals:

SP authenticates C on URI

C authenticates SP on Data

Data secret between SP, C

Google's SSO with TLS integrated

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C->SP: C,NC,Sid,PC
SP->C: NSP,Sid,PSP,
      {SP,pk(SP)}inv(pk(s))
C->SP: {C,pk(C)}inv(pk(s)),
      {PMS}pk(SP),
      {hash(NSP,SP,PMS)}inv(pk(C)),
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      clientK(NC,NSP,prf(PMS,NC,NSP))
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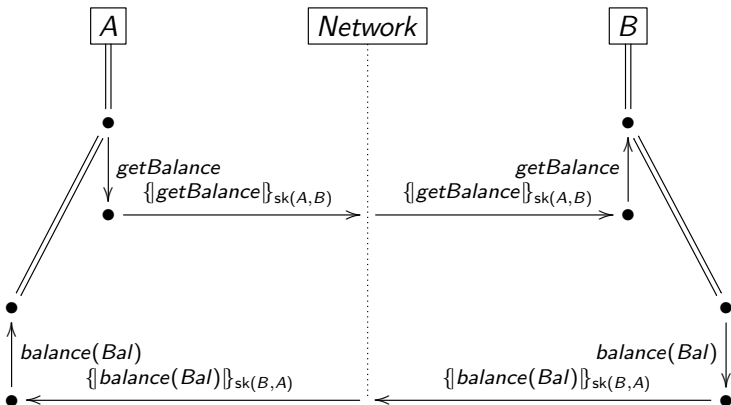
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This is **too complicated** – let us use **compositional reasoning**!

Two More Motivations for Compositionality

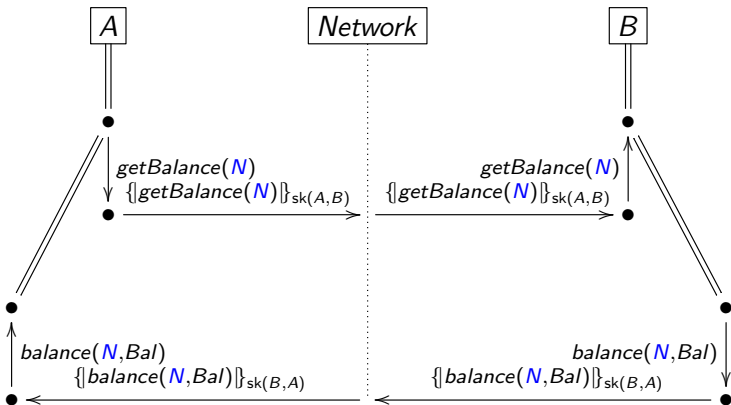
- We want to be able to **replace** a component
 - ★ Move from TLS 1.2 to 1.3
 - ★ Change a webservice or introduce a new one... without verifying the whole thing again!
- Software is also written as components
 - ★ Different developer teams (they did not have to have a meeting with each other!)
 - ★ The codebases is completely separated
 - ★ Layered approach of the Internet

Layering



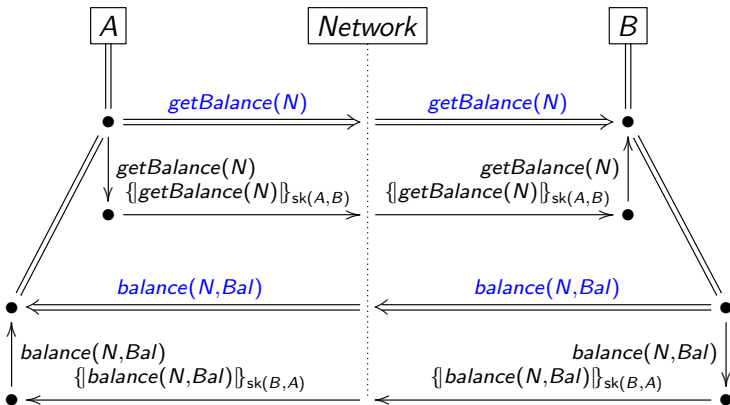
- Simple banking application: A asks for her account balance
- Simple channel: just encrypt with $sk(A, B)$ or $sk(B, A)$ (depending on direction)

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Let's protect also against replay! (It is not done by this channel.)

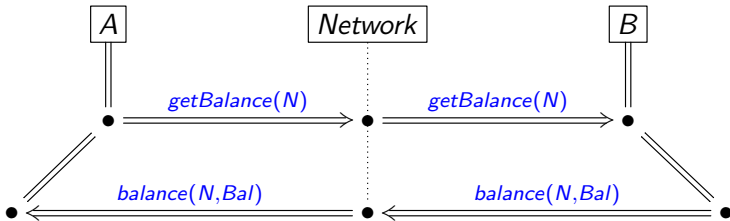
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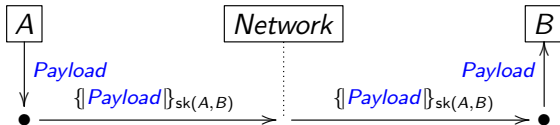
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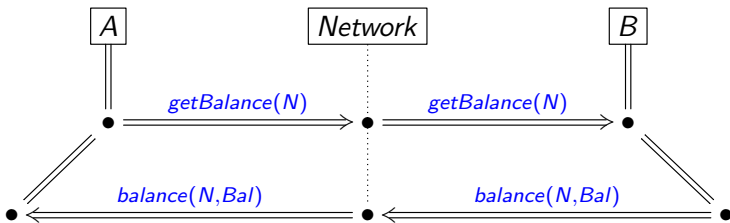


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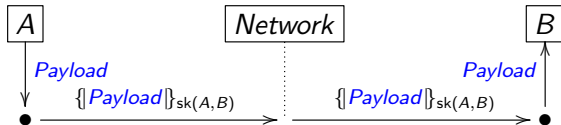


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Idea: we can replace the channel with something more complicated (like TLS), but we can verify the application with the simple channel.

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- using **confidential channels** instead of crypto.

Implementing Channels with Cryptography

- Assume every agent A has two key pairs:
 - ★ $\langle \text{ck}(A), \text{inv}(\text{ck}(A)) \rangle$ for asymmetric encryption.
 - ★ $\langle \text{ak}(A), \text{inv}(\text{ak}(A)) \rangle$ for digital signatures.
- Assume that every agent knows the public keys $\text{ck}(A)$ and $\text{ak}(A)$ of every other agent A .
- Encode channels by encryption and signing:

Definition

$$\begin{array}{ll} A \bullet \rightarrow B : M & \text{for } A \rightarrow B : \{\text{atag}, B, M\}_{\text{inv}(\text{ak}(A))} \\ A \rightarrow \bullet B : M & \text{for } A \rightarrow B : \{\text{ctag}, M\}_{\text{ck}(B)} \\ A \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B : M & \text{for } A \rightarrow B : \{\{\text{stag}, B, M\}_{\text{inv}(\text{ak}(A))}\}_{\text{ck}(B)} \end{array}$$

- atag, ctag, and stag are tags to distinguish the channel-encodings from other encryptions.

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- This ensures the basic properties of channels:
 - ★ Only A can produce messages on the channel $A \bullet \rightarrow B$.
 - ★ Only B can read messages on the channel $A \rightarrow \bullet B$.
 - ★ Both restrictions on a secure channel.
- Note that the intruder can still intercept and replay messages!
- This model of channels can be used with all models and tools without extensions!

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- If we have an authenticated channel $A \bullet \rightarrow B$
- and a confidential channel $A \rightarrow \bullet B$.
- Then we can achieve a secure channel $A \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B$.
- **Challenge:** Try to prove these two rules yourself.
- It is also obvious we can “downgrade” from secure to authentic or to confidential.
- This is all we can achieve without further assumptions.
- **Challenge:** Let s be an **honest** server. Suppose we have channels $s \bullet \rightarrow \bullet A$ and $s \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B$, can we achieve $A \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B$? Why does s have to be honest for that?

TLS

Consider the TLS handshake (simplified):

$$A \rightarrow B : A, NA, Sid, PA$$
$$B \rightarrow A : NB, Sid, PB, cert_B$$
$$A \rightarrow B : cert_A, \{PMS\}_{pk(B)}, \{hash(NB, B, PMS)\}_{inv(pk(A))}, \\ \{\{hash(prf(PMS, NA, NB), msgs)\}_{clientK(NA, NB, prf(PMS, NA, NB))}\}$$
$$B \rightarrow A : \{\{hash(prf(PMS, NA, NB), msgs)\}_{serverK(NA, NB, prf(PMS, NA, NB))}\}$$

where $msgs$ are all the previous messages of the protocol,
 $cert_A = \{A, pk(A), \dots\}_{inv(pk(s))}$ is a public key certificate, and
 $hash, prf, clientK, serverK$ are hash functions.

Consider also the transmission of a payload with the created keys:

$$A \rightarrow B : \{Payload_A\}_{clientK(NA, NB, prf(PMS, NA, NB))}$$
$$B \rightarrow A : \{Payload_B\}_{serverK(NA, NB, prf(PMS, NA, NB))}$$

$$Goal : A \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B : Payload_A$$
$$B \bullet \rightarrow \bullet A : Payload_B$$

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- There is nothing that cryptographically links A with **PK**
- What kind of channel do we get from this?
The intruder can claim to be any agent A .
- But we still get something like a secure channel:
 - ★ B has a **secure channel with the owner of PK** , i.e., whoever knows $inv(PK)$!
 - ★ Is is just not proved that this owner is A .

Secure Pseudonymous Channels

- Consider the public key PK of agent A as a **pseudonym** of A .
- There is no cryptographic link between A and PK
 - ★ In general A **cannot prove** her identity
- A can prove to be the **owner** of a pseudonym PK by signing with $\text{inv}(PK)$.
- The pseudonym PK **cannot be stolen/hijacked** because nobody else knows $\text{inv}(PK)$.
- There may be other means for A to prove her true identity:
 - ★ If A has a certificate for the key
 - ★ If A has a password with B

Login over TLS

- Suppose A and B have established a TLS channel without client authentication.
 - ★ B has a secure channel with somebody of pseudonym PK , but cannot be sure who it is.
 - ★ A however can be sure who B is.
 - ★ We have keys $clientK(NA, NB, prf(PMS, NA, NB))$ and $serverK(NA, NB, prf(PMS, NA, NB))$ for communication.
- Suppose A has a shared secret with B (e.g., password, cookie)
- Suppose she transmits that secret over the TLS channel:

$$\{\{login, A, password(A, B)\}\}_{clientK(NA, NB, prf(PMS, NA, NB))}$$

- Then we have:
 - ★ B can be sure that he has a channel with A
 - ★ A can be sure that nobody else than B can read the password.
- Note: Intruders often try to attack at this point:
 - ★ Make up a fake website B' that looks like the site of B so that A (following a misleading link) accidentally connects to B' and sends her password.

Recall: Channel Calculus

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$A \rightarrow \bullet B : K$

$B \rightarrow A : \{\{ \text{Payload} \} \}_K$

- Actually this is also a pseudonymous channel!
- Notation suggested by [M. & Viganò] and supported by OFMC:

$$B \bullet \rightarrow \bullet [A] \text{ and } [A] \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B$$

A and B have a secure channel except B can't be sure who A is.

- TLS without client authentication establishes this channel.
- Login using TLS is then: $[A] \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B : \text{login}, A, \text{password}(A, B)$
- Which finally achieves $A \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B$

Cryptographic Model of Secure Pseudonymous Channels

OFMC implements pseudonymous channels as follows:

Definition

$$\begin{array}{ll} [A]_P & \bullet \rightarrow B : M \text{ for } A \rightarrow B : \{\text{atag}, B, M\}_{\text{inv}(P)} \\ A & \rightarrow \bullet [B]_P : M \text{ for } A \rightarrow B : \{\text{ctag}, M\}_P \\ [A]_P & \bullet \rightarrow \bullet B : M \text{ for } A \rightarrow B : \{\{\text{stag}, B, M\}_{\text{inv}(P)}\}_{\text{ck}(B)} \\ A & \bullet \rightarrow \bullet [B]_P : M \text{ for } A \rightarrow B : \{\{\text{stag}, P, M\}_{\text{inv}(\text{ak}(A))}\}_P \end{array}$$

where we explicitly annotate the pseudonym/public-key P being used. By default, we have a fresh public-key P for every protocol session and agent.

Vertical Composition Result

Sébastien Gondron and Sebastian Mödersheim. *Vertical Composition and Sound Payload Abstraction for Stateful Protocols*. CSF 2021:

- Definition of **channel protocols**
 - ★ This entails an **ideal functionality** similar to $A \rightarrow \bullet B$.
 - ★ Uses an abstract notion of **payload** messages
- Definition of **application protocols**
- Application and Channel interact with each other through buffers $inbox(A, B)$ and $outbox(A, B)$ that contain **payload** messages.
- Requirements on their message formats:
 - ★ No overlap, and requirements of parallel composability
- The application is secure with the ideal functionality of the channel.
- The channel indeed implements the ideal functionality with all abstract payloads that are
 - ★ are either known or unknown to the intruder
 - ★ are either novel or a repetition
- Then also the vertical composition is secure.

Google's SSO

Knowledge: C: C,idp,SP,pk(idp);
 idp: C,idp,pk(idp),inv(pk(idp));
 SP: idp,SP,pk(idp)

Actions:

[C] $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ SP : C,SP,URI
SP $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ [C] : C,idp,SP,URI

C $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ idp : C,idp,SP,URI
idp $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ C : {C,idp}inv(pk(idp)),URI

[C] $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ SP : {C,idp}inv(pk(idp)),URI
SP $\ast \rightarrow \ast$ [C] : Data

Goals:

SP authenticates C on URI

C authenticates SP on Data

Data secret between SP,C

Attack on Google's SSO

The attack found by OFMC in beautified notation:

1. $[a] \rightarrow^* i: a.i.URI(1)$

1.' $[i] \rightarrow^* b: a.b.x306$

2.' $b \rightarrow^* [i]: a.idp.b.ID(2).x306$

2. $i \rightarrow^* [a]: a.idp.i.x505.URI(1)$

3. $a \rightarrow^* idp: a.idp.i.x505.URI(1)$

4. $idp \rightarrow^* a: \{a.idp\}_{inv(pk(idp))}.URI(1)$

5. $[a] \rightarrow^* i: \{a.idp\}_{inv(pk(idp))}.URI(1)$

5.' $[i] \rightarrow^* b: \{a.idp\}_{inv(pk(idp))}.x306$

6.' $b \rightarrow^* [i]: Data(6)$

The Problem

The authentication assertion from the ipd:

$$\{ID, C, ipd, SP\}_{\text{inv}(\text{pk}(idp))}$$

- Google had omitted **some parts** that were suggested but not required by the standard.
- This allows a dishonest SP to re-use the authentication assertion and log in to other sites as C .

Again, this is a problem of a dishonest participant!

Disclaimer on Channels in the Assignment

- It is allowed to use the channel notation in the assignment.
- In fact, it can be a good way to describe your construction as a vertical composition of protocols, e.g. using existing protocols like TLS – see special considerations section of the assignment.
- **Caveat:** one can accidentally trivialize the problem (and then not get a good grade!).
 - ★ For every kind of channel that you use, describe how it should be implemented. It may well be TLS for instance. Best if you can actually give an AnB file for the channel.
 - ★ Check that this channel implementation only uses keys, cryptographic materials, and assumptions that your protocol is able to use.
 - ▶ Remember: customers initially **have no public/private key pair**.

Another Hint for the Assignment

Suppose in one protocol you establish a fresh authentic secret X that A created for B :

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$A \rightarrow B: \{ | \dots X, \dots | \}_{KAB}$

X secret between A, B

B authenticates A on X

Suppose further you want to use this secret in another protocol only once. Then you can actually use the channel notation to “summarize” the first protocol in the second:

$A \xrightarrow{*} B: X$

...

Challenges

As a little exercises

- Consider the **challenges** of the channel calculus.
- Consider the banking example of page 28 (actual pdf-pagenumber).
 - ★ Extend the banking application by a transfer message where A can specify an amount of money and a recipient C .
 - ★ Protect the transfer against replay (without changing the channel).
 - ★ How could one implement a channel that has replay protection built in?
 - ★ Suppose A later claims she never made the transfer. Can B prove to an honest third party *judy* (“without reasonable doubt”) that A indeed *did* make the transfer?

Relevant Research Papers

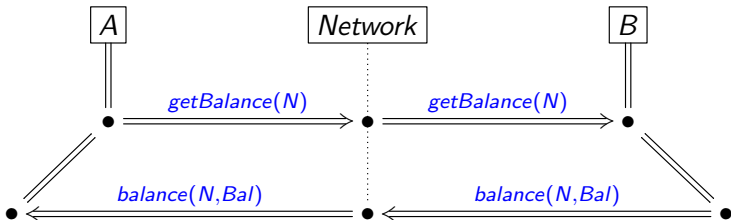
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Guessing Attacks

Example: a Variant of Microsoft-ChapV2

Protocol: PW

Types: Agent A,B;

Number NB;

Function pw,h;

Knowledge:

A: A,B,pw(A,B),h;

B: A,B,pw(A,B),h;

Actions:

B→A: NB

A→B: h(pw(A,B),NB)

Goals:

B authenticates A on NB

What if pw(A,B) has low entropy?

Extreme Views



An Example [Mark Ryan]

- Parents and their teenage daughter:
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- Non-electronic solution:
 - ★ The daughter writes where she is going onto letter and seals it.
 - ★ The parents can indeed open the letter case of an emergency.
 - ★ The parents are compelled not to open the seal unless there is an emergency.
- Technical solution: with a TPM

Privacy in Voting Systems



Example: FOO'92

FOO'92

- An online voting protocol by Fujioka, Okamoto, and Ohta.
- Relatively simple: uses standard crypto, few steps.
- Achieves some basic goals, but far from perfect.

We now develop this protocol in a few steps, and then use it as an example to describe privacy goals.

Development of FOO'92

Setup

- A population of voters V_1, \dots, V_N .
- Each voter V_i has decided his or her vote $v_i \in \{0, 1\}$.
- r_i (and later b_i) are secret random numbers chosen by voter V_i .
- There is an administration A that controls who is a valid voter and issues the ballots.
- There is a counter C who collects all the ballots. C then publishes all ballots in a random order. For that, let π be permutation of the numbers $1, \dots, N$.
- We assume anonymous channels similar to onion routing like TOR, and write $[A] \bullet \rightsquigarrow \bullet B$ for
 - ★ A has a secure channel with B , but with respect to a pseudonym of A , so B does not know A but can send a reply that only A receives.
 - ★ The intruder cannot observe that A and B have communicated.

Development of FOO'92

A Simplified Version

Each voter V_i . $[V_i] \bullet \rightsquigarrow \bullet A : \{v_i, r_i\}_{\text{inv}(\text{pk}(V_i))}$

$A \bullet \rightsquigarrow \bullet [V_i] : \{v_i, r_i\}_{\text{inv}(\text{pk}(A))}$

Each voter V_i . $[V_i] \bullet \rightsquigarrow \bullet C : \{v_i, r_i\}_{\text{inv}(\text{pk}(A))}$

For $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$. $C \bullet \rightarrow \text{all} : \{v[\pi[j]], r[\pi[j]]\}_{\text{inv}(\text{pk}(A))}$

Blind Signatures

Some asymmetric ciphers like RSA allow for the following:

- A user can produce a **blinded value** $blind(b, m)$ where m is the actual content, and b is a secret that only the user knows and without it, m cannot be read.
- One can have this signed by another party A :
 $\{blind(b, m)\}_{inv(pk(A))}$.
- The user can now unblind this signature by applying an unblind function with the secret b :

$$\begin{aligned} & unblind(b, \{blind(b, m)\}_{inv(pk(A))}) \\ &= \{unblind(b, blind(b, m))\}_{inv(pk(A))} = \{m\}_{inv(pk(A))}. \end{aligned}$$

- Thus, the user obtains a signature from A on a value m that A does not even know.

Commitment Scheme

A commitment scheme is a bit similar to a symmetric encryption (with integrity):

- A user **commits** to a message m using a secret r , denoted $\text{commit}(m, r)$, and publishes this commitment.
- Later, the user reveals r :
 - ★ With r , everybody can open the $\text{commit}(m, r)$ and see m .
 - ★ Hiding: before revealing r , nobody can see m .
 - ★ Binding: there is no r' that opens the commitment to a different message m' . (At least it is not feasible to compute such r' .)

Defining Privacy?

From the paper [FOO'92]:

- **Completeness** ... All valid votes are counted correctly.
- **Soundness** The dishonest voter cannot disrupt the voting.
- **Privacy** All votes must be secret.
- **Unreusability** No voter can vote twice.
- **Eligibility** No one who isn't allowed to vote can vote.
- **Fairness** Nothing must affect the voting.
- **Verifiability** No one can falsify the result of the voting.

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Idea

Inspiration/Idea

In zero-knowledge proofs we can usually specify a **statement** that is being proved.

- Definitely, that statement is revealed to the verifier
- The verifier (or others) should not learn anything else
- Everybody can draw conclusions from everything they learned

Can we do **something logical** in general for privacy?

α - β privacy

We specify two formulae (in Herbrand logic):

- α the high-level information we deliberately reveal to the intruder/verify/public
- β the technical information like cryptographic messages that are observable (including α)

Two alphabets:

- Σ the alphabet of β , includes “crypto/technical stuff”
- $\Sigma_0 \subseteq \Sigma$ the alphabet of α , only “non-technical stuff”

Intuition: from β I do not learn anything (except “technical” stuff) that is not implied by α already.

Model Theory

Definition

A **model** of a formula is an interpretation of all symbols that makes the formula true.

Formula $\alpha \equiv x[1], x[2], x[3] \in \{0, 1\} \wedge x[1] + x[2] + x[3] = 1$.
What are the models of α ?

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$\beta \equiv \dots \wedge x_1 = x_2$ violates α - β -privacy.

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- The goal works also in the case of a **unanimous** vote, e.g. 100 cast votes, 100 for 1: then α implies $v_i = 1$ for every vote.

Advantages of α - β Privacy

Declarative Specification

- Modeler specifies only
 - ★ the protocol itself – this gives β , i.e., what cryptographic messages the intruder can see,
 - ★ and the information deliberately released – this is α .
- Both α and β are something one should think about anyway!
- When in doubt, be **stingy** on α
- and **generous** on β .
- Connection to static equivalence of frames: we can show how to encode α - β privacy into this more low-level formalism.

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Stability under Background Knowledge

Scenario

- In a small village in rural Denmark, **everybody** votes conservative.
- One day, somebody from Copenhagen moves in, and in the next election, there is one vote for a left-wing party...

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- Protocol between **passport** RFID-tag and card reader.
- $sk(x)$: key of tag x with card reader (optically from passp. data)
- Challenge N from passport to card reader, who sends it back encrypted as a response.
- Writing as an **alpha-beta transaction**
 - ★ we only look at examples, for full details see [Gondron et al., 2022]

Transaction Challenge:

```
* x in {t1, t2}.      # alpha: x is a tag
new N.                # nonce from the tag
send N.               # ... sent on a public channel
send session(x, N).  # a pseudo-message that
                    # stores the state of tag
send scrypt(sk(x), N). # the answer from the server
nil
```

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The tag receiving the challenge from the server:

Transaction Response:

```
receive Session.      # should be session(X,N)
receive M.            # should be script(sk(X),N)
try X = sfst(Session) in # get X
try N = ssnd(Session) in # get N
try NN = dscrypt(sk(X),M) # decrypt M
in State := noncestate[N]. # is the nonce fresh
    if N=NN and State = fresh # and the one expected?
    then noncestate[N]:=spent. # then mark as spent
        send ok. nil      # send ok message
    else send nonceErr . nil # nonce check failed
catch send formatErr . nil # decryption failed
catch nil # not valid session (ignore)
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```


Example Run

Suppose two Challenge transactions have been executed, say with tags $x1$ and $x2$.

Thus $\alpha \equiv x1, x2 \in \{t1, t2\}$ and the intruder knowledge is:

```
l1 → session(x1, N1)
l2 → scrypt(sk(x1), N1)
l3 → session(x2, N2)
l4 → scrypt(sk(x2), N2)
```

Now executing the Transaction Response where the intruder chooses the following inputs:

Transaction Response:

receive Session. # use message l1

receive M. # use message l4

...

Check out new tool

noname tool

Laouen Fernet, Sebastian Mödersheim, and Luca Viganò: *A Decision Procedure for Alpha-Beta Privacy for a Bounded Number of Transitions*, Computer Security Foundations 2024, to appear.

[Link to noname tool and paper](#)

Conclusions

- Privacy goals are more subtle than standard secrecy!
 - ★ Relatively complicated notions like (observational) equivalence.
 - ★ Both hard for the modeler and automated tools.
- α - β -privacy as a new way to specify more declaratively:
 - ★ what high-level information α we publish (or reveal to an intruder)
 - ★ and what low-level/cryptographic information β can be observed.
- Privacy as a **reachability problem**: can we reach a state where β allows for an interesting derivation that α does not imply?
- Relation between α - β and equivalence-based formulations.
- Very active research area!

Challenges

Example/FOO

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- Consider the model $x[1] = 0, x[2] = 1, x[3] = 0$ of α .
 - ★ Find a permutation $\pi : \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\}$ such that β holds.
- Consider the actual messages that C in FOO publishes,

$$\{\text{commit}(r[\pi[j]], v[\pi[j]])_{\text{inv}(\text{pk}(A))}, r[\pi[j]]\}$$

- ★ That is at position j in the publishing, we have the vote of some voter $\pi[j]$.
- ★ Can a voter *prove* to the intruder which one is their vote?
- ★ Is that a desirable property of the protocol?

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