

**Cryptographically sound
formal verification of security
protocols**

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Correctness:

$$\forall \eta, x, r, r' : \begin{array}{l} k := \mathcal{K}^r(\eta) \\ y := \mathcal{E}^{r'}(\eta, k, x) \\ x' := \mathcal{D}(\eta, k, y) \\ (x = x')? \end{array}$$

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A function ε is **negligible** if

$$\lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \varepsilon(\eta) \cdot p(\eta) = 0$$

for all polynomials p .

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Let $openkeys(e) = \{k \in \mathbf{Keys} \mid e \vdash k\}$.

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- Define $e_1 \cong e_2$ if $pattern(e_1) = pattern(e_2)\sigma_K\sigma_R$ for some
 - ◆ σ_K — a permutation of the keys **Keys**;
 - ◆ σ_R — a permutation of the random coins **Coins**.

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IND-CPA-secure which-key concealing encryption schemes are easily constructed (CCA- or CTR-mode of operation of block ciphers).

Hiding the length of the plaintext

- An encryption scheme is **length-concealing** if the length of the plaintext cannot be determined from the ciphertext.
- Achievable by padding the plaintexts.
 - ◆ Questionable for nested encryptions...
- For simplicity, we will assume that our encryption scheme is length-concealing.
 - ◆ And also which-key concealing and IND-CPA-secure.
- Otherwise we'd need to define lengths of formal expressions.
 - ◆ Not difficult, but currently not so interesting

IND-CPA, which-key and length-concealing:

Let 0 be a fixed bit-string.

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$(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ has all three listed properties if $\mathcal{O}_1^{\text{type}-0} \approx \mathcal{O}_0^{\text{type}-0}$.

Semantics of expressions and patterns

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Theorem of equivalence

Theorem. Let $e_1, e_2 \in \mathbf{Exp}$. If $e_1 \cong e_2$ then* $\llbracket e_1 \rrbracket \approx \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket$.

Replacing one key

- For a key $\bar{k} \in \mathbf{Keys}$ define

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$$\text{replacekey}(\square^r, \bar{k}) = \square^r$$

- **Lemma.** Let $e \in \mathbf{Exp}$. Let key \bar{k} occur in e only as encryption key. Then $\llbracket e \rrbracket \approx \llbracket \text{replacekey}(e, \bar{k}) \rrbracket$.

Proof of the lemma

Assume that \mathcal{B} distinguishes $\llbracket e \rrbracket$ from $\llbracket \text{replacekey}(e, \bar{k}) \rrbracket$.

Let $\mathcal{A}^\Theta(\eta)$ work as follows:

■ Initialize:

- ◆ Let $\mathbf{s}_k \leftarrow \mathcal{K}(\eta)$ for all keys k occurring in e , except \bar{k} .
- ◆ Let $\mathbf{s}_r \in_R \{0, 1\}^\omega$ for all r occurring in e , except as $\{\dots\}_{\bar{k}}^r$.
- ◆ Let $\mathbf{k}_\square \leftarrow \mathcal{K}(1^\eta)$.

■ Let $L = \{\}$ (empty mapping).

■ Compute the “semantics” v of e as follows by invoking $\text{SEM}^\Theta(e)$

- ◆ $\text{SEM}^\Theta(e) = \llbracket e \rrbracket$ if $\Theta = \Theta_1^{\text{type}-0}$.
- ◆ $\text{SEM}^\Theta(e) = \llbracket \text{replacekey}(e, \bar{k}) \rrbracket$ if $\Theta = \Theta_0^{\text{type}-0}$.

■ **return** $\mathcal{B}(\eta, v)$.

\mathcal{A} can distinguish $\Theta_1^{\text{type}-0}$ and $\Theta_0^{\text{type}-0}$ as well as \mathcal{B} can distinguish $\llbracket e \rrbracket$ and $\llbracket \text{replacekey}(e, \bar{k}) \rrbracket$.

Computing $\llbracket e \rrbracket$ or $\llbracket \text{replacekey}(e, \bar{k}) \rrbracket$

$\text{SEM}^\mathcal{O}(e)$ is: **case** e **of**

- k : **return** s_k (note that $k \neq \bar{k}$)
- b : **return** b
- (e_1, e_2) : let $v_i = \text{SEM}^\mathcal{O}(e_i)$; **return** $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$
- $\{e\}_k^r$: let $v = \text{SEM}^\mathcal{O}(e)$;
 - ◆ If $k \neq \bar{k}$ then **return** $\mathcal{E}^{s_r}(\eta, s_k, v)$
 - ◆ If $k = \bar{k}$ and $L(r)$ is not defined then
 - let $L(r) = \mathcal{O}.\text{encrypt1}(v)$;
 - **return** $L(r)$
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- \square^r : **return** $\mathcal{O}.\text{encrypt2}(\mathbf{0})$

Proof of the theorem

1. $\text{replacekey}(\text{replacekey}(\dots \text{replacekey}(e, k_1), k_2) \dots, k_n) = \text{pattern}(e)$
if $\{k_1, \dots, k_n\}$ are all keys in e that the adversary cannot obtain.
Denote this set of keys by $\text{hidkeys}(e)$.
2. Apply the **lemma** sequentially to each key in $\text{hidkeys}(e)$, thereby establishing

$$\llbracket e \rrbracket \approx \llbracket \text{pattern}(e) \rrbracket.$$

- * In general, not all orders of keys in $\text{hidkeys}(e)$ are suitable.
3. Permuting the formal keys and coins does not change the generated probability distribution over bit-strings.
- If $e_1 \cong e_2$ then* $\llbracket e_1 \rrbracket \approx \llbracket \text{pattern}(e_1) \rrbracket = \llbracket \text{pattern}(e_2) \rrbracket = \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket.$

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“No encryption cycles” is sufficient, but not necessary condition for the sequential applicability of our lemma.

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Severity of encryption cycles

Exercise. Take an encryption scheme that is assumed to be IND-CPA-secure. Modify it so, that it is still IND-CPA-secure, but defenseless against an adversary that has somehow obtained $\{k\}_k$.

Dealing with encryption cycles

- We could increase the relation \vdash
 - ◆ Thereby allowing the adversary to “break encryption cycles”.
- We could strengthen the security definition of the symmetric encryption scheme
 - ◆ KDM-IND-CPA-security
 - ◆ key-dependent messages
 - ◆ Is such definition instantiable?

Breaking encryption cycles

Define the relations $\vdash_{\mathbf{K}}$ for any set \mathbf{K} of formal keys as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} e \\ e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} (e_1, e_2) & \Rightarrow e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} e_1 \wedge e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} e_2 \\ e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} e' & \Rightarrow e \vdash_{\mathbf{K} \cup \mathbf{K}'} e' \\ e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} \{e'\}_k^r & \Rightarrow e \vdash_{\mathbf{K} \cup \{k\}} e' \\ e \vdash_{\mathbf{K} \cup \{k\}} e' \wedge e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} k & \Rightarrow e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} e' \\ e \vdash_{\mathbf{K} \cup \{k\}} k & \Rightarrow e \vdash_{\mathbf{K}} k \end{aligned}$$

And define \vdash as the relation \vdash_{\emptyset} .

Exercise. What is the pattern of messages

$(\{k_3\}_{k_2}^{r_1}, \{k_4\}_{k_3}^{r_2}, \{\{k_2\}_{k_4}^{r_4}\}_{k_1}^{r_3}, k_1)$ and $(\{k_3\}_{k_2}^{r_1}, \{k_4\}_{k_3}^{r_2}, \{\{k_2\}_{k_4}^{r_4}\}_{k_1}^{r_3})$ by the new definition of \vdash ?

KDM-IND-CPA-security

- Defined as the indistinguishability of certain two encrypting oracles \mathcal{O}_0 and \mathcal{O}_1 .
- Both “initially create” an array $\mathbf{k}[0..\infty]$ of fresh keys.
- A query to an oracle is a pair (j, g) , where
 - ◆ $j \in \mathbb{N}$
 - ◆ g is a program that returns a bit-string
 - g may refer to \mathbf{k} .
 - the length of g 's output may not depend on \mathbf{k} .
- \mathcal{O}_1 returns $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{k}[j]}(g(\mathbf{k}))$ to the query (j, g) .
- \mathcal{O}_0 returns $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{k}[j]}(0^{|g(\mathbf{k})|})$ to the query (j, g) .

(this definition allows \mathcal{E} to reveal the lengths of plaintexts and identities of keys)

Achieving KDM-IND-CPA-security

- Simple in the random oracle model
 - ◆ Let $H(x)$ denote random oracle's output for the query x
 - ◆ The program g may also contain instructions to call H
- Let $\mathcal{K}(\eta)$ just output a random element of $\{0, 1\}^\eta$.
- Let $\mathcal{E}^r(\eta, k, x) = (r, H(k||r) \oplus x)$
 - ◆ Assume that the output of H has the same length as x
 - ◆ **Exercise.** How do we construct such a H from some random oracle H_0 whose output length is fixed?

Exercise. Show that this scheme is KDM-IND-CPA-secure.

- It is not known how to achieve KDM-security in the plain model.
- Possible, if we restrict the shape of g in a certain way.
- This restricted set can still be large enough to contain the computation of $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$.

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Public-key primitives

- Extend the construction of the set of formal messages by
 - ◆ **keypairs** $kp \in \mathbf{EKeys}$ for encryption and $kp \in \mathbf{SKeys}$ for signing;
 - ◆ operations kp^+ and kp^- to take the **public and secret components** of keys;
 - ◆ **public-key encryptions** $\{\{e\}\}_{kp^+}^r$ and **signatures** $\{\{e\}\}_{kp^-}^r$.
- Fix a **public-key encryption scheme** $(\mathcal{K}_p, \mathcal{E}_p, \mathcal{D}_p)$ and a **signature scheme** $(\mathcal{K}_s, \mathcal{S}_s, \mathcal{V}_s)$.
 - ◆ Use $\mathcal{K}_p, \mathcal{E}_p, \mathcal{K}_s, \mathcal{S}_s$ to define the semantics of new constructs.
- Similar results can be obtained with $\{\{ \cdot \}\}$ in messages.
 - ◆ If secret keys are not part of messages then encryption cycles are not an issue.

Specifying the protocols

- A set \mathcal{P} of **principals** (some of them possibly corrupted). Each one with fixed keypairs for signing and encryption.
 - ◆ There are keys $ek(P)$, $dk(P)$, $sk(P)$, $vk(P)$ for each principal P .
- A set of **roles**.
 - ◆ A list of pairs of **incoming** and **outgoing** messages.
 - ◆ May contain **nonces**.
 - ◆ Also may contain **message variables** and **principal variables**.

Example roles

Needham-Schroeder-Lowe public-key protocol:

$$\begin{aligned} A &\longrightarrow B : \{ \{ N_A, A \} \}_{\text{ek}(B)} \\ B &\longrightarrow A : \{ \{ N_A, N_B, B \} \}_{\text{ek}(A)} \\ A &\longrightarrow B : \{ \{ N_B \} \}_{\text{ek}(B)} \end{aligned}$$

■ Initiator role:

$$\begin{aligned} &(\textit{Start}, \{ \{ N_A, X_{\text{Init}} \} \}_{\text{ek}(X_{\text{Resp}})}) \\ &(\{ \{ N_A, X_N, X_{\text{Resp}} \} \}_{\text{ek}(X_{\text{Init}})}, \{ \{ X_N \} \}_{\text{ek}(X_{\text{Resp}})}) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &(\{ \{ X_N, X_{\text{Init}} \} \}_{\text{ek}(X_{\text{Resp}})}, \{ \{ X_N, N_B, X_{\text{Resp}} \} \}_{\text{ek}(X_{\text{Init}})}) \\ &(\{ \{ N_B \} \}_{\text{ek}(X_{\text{Resp}})}, \textit{Ok}) \end{aligned}$$

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- Decompose m according to m_i .
 - ◆ Use $dk(P_i)$ to decrypt messages encrypted with $ek(P_i)$.
 - ◆ The keys for symmetric encryption are contained in m_i .
 - Verify the equality of instantiated parts of m_i to the corresponding parts of m' .
 - Initialize the new variables in m_i with the corresponding parts of m' .
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Execution traces

- An execution trace is a sequence of `new-`, `recv-` and `send`-statements.
- We have traces in both models — there are
 - ◆ `formal` traces — sequences of terms over a message algebra with a countable number of atoms for keys, nonces, random coins;
 - ◆ `computational` traces — sequences of bit-strings.
- A formal trace is `valid` if each message in a `recv`-statement can be generated from messages in previous `send`- and `recv`-statements.

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Lemma. If the used cryptographic primitives are **secure** then for any computational adversary \mathcal{A} , if t^c is a computational trace of the protocol running together with \mathcal{A} then with overwhelming probability there exists a valid formal trace t^f , such that $t^f \leq t^c$.

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If some $M \in \mathcal{M}$ looks like a **symmetric key** then

- add M to \mathcal{K} ;
- pick a new formal symmetric key K and associate it with M .

Concerning symmetric encryption, attention has to be paid to **encryption cycles**.

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If some $M \in \mathcal{M}$ looks like a **signature** then **try to verify it** with all verification keys in \mathcal{K} . If $\mathcal{V}(M_k, M)$ is successful, then

- add $M_0 = \text{get_message}(M)$ to \mathcal{M} ;
- for M , record that it is the signature of M_0 verifiable with the formal key corresponding to M_k .

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etc. **Try to decompose** the messages in \mathcal{M} as much as possible.

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In the end:

- for each **uninterpreted message** in \mathcal{M} : associate it with a new formal **nonce**.
- Construct the formal trace using the structure of messages that we recorded.

Invalid formal trace \Rightarrow broken primitive

If the trace is invalid, then the adversary did one of the following:

- forged a signature;
- guessed a nonce, symmetric key, or signature that it had only seen encrypted.

We run the protocol while using the encryption / signing oracles to encrypt / sign. We guess at which point the break happens.

- We use the oracles for this particular key.
- A forged signature promptly gives us a break of UF-CMA.
- For guessed nonce, key or signature we generate two copies of it and use the messages derived from these two copies as the inputs to the oracle $\mathcal{E}(k, \pi_b(\cdot, \cdot))$.
 - ◆ After learning the nonce / key / signature, we learn b .

Trace properties

- A **trace property** of P is a subset of the set of all formal traces.
- A protocol **formally satisfies** a trace property P if all its formal traces belong to P .
- A protocol **computationally satisfies** a trace property P if for almost all computational traces t^c of the protocol there exists a trace $t^f \in P$, such that $t^f \leq t^c$.

Theorem. If a protocol formally satisfies some trace property P , then it also computationally satisfies P .

Confidentiality of nonces

- In the formal setting, the confidentiality of a certain nonce N means that N will not be included in the knowledge set of the adversary.
- In the computational setting, the confidentiality of a certain nonce N means that no PPT adversary \mathcal{A} can guess b from the following:
 - ◆ Run the protocol normally, with \mathcal{A} as the adversary, until...
 - ◆ \mathcal{A} denotes one of the just started protocol sessions as “under attack”.
 - ◆ Generate a random bit b and two nonces N_0 and N_1 .
 - ◆ Use N_b in the attacked session in the place of N .
 - ◆ Continue executing the protocol until \mathcal{A} stops it.
 - ◆ Give N_0 and N_1 to \mathcal{A} .

Theorem. Formal confidentiality of a nonce implies its computational confidentiality.