

Symbolic Verification of Cryptographic Protocols

A Computationally Complete Symbolic Attacker

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What would it take to make **symbolic analyses** of equivalences relevant to the **computational model** ?

- Interpret terms as computations of probabilistic Turing machine.
- Make precise assumptions about primitives e.g. IND-CCA1.
- Interpret equality as the almost-always coincidence of two computations, which may be larger than $=_E$.
- Give up non-determinism: determinate processes only.
- Do not reason explicitly about these machines and interpretations.

Semantics: terms

We want to interpret t as probabilistic Turing computation $\llbracket t \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^\sigma$

- with security parameter $\eta \in \mathbb{N}$;
- with read-only infinite binary tapes $\rho = \rho_1, \rho_2$ of protocol and attacker randomness;
- where σ interprets free variables as Turing machines.

Definition

- $\llbracket x \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^\sigma = \sigma(x)(1^\eta; \rho)$
- names interpreted as non-overlapping portions $\llbracket n \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^\sigma$ of ρ_1
- any function symbol f of arity n interpreted as deterministic polynomial-time n -ary computation

Semantics: LTS

We modify the LTS for this computational setting:

$$(\mathbf{out}(c, u).P \mid Q, \Phi, \sigma) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{out}(c, w)} (P \mid Q, \Phi + \{w \mapsto u\}, \sigma)$$

$$(\mathbf{in}(c, x).P \mid Q, \Phi, \sigma) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{in}(c, x)} (P \mid Q, \Phi, \sigma + \{x \mapsto \mathcal{A}_x([\![\Phi]\!]_{\eta, \rho}^\sigma, \eta, \rho)\})$$

where \mathcal{A}_x is a PPTIME Turing machine

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$$(\mathbf{new } n.P \mid Q, \Phi, \sigma) \xrightarrow{\tau} (P \mid Q, n.\Phi, \sigma) \quad \text{if } n \notin \text{bn}(\Phi)$$

Define $K \trianglelefteq K'$ to hold iff $K \xrightarrow{\alpha} K_\alpha \xrightarrow{\tau}^* K'$ and $K' \not\xrightarrow{\tau}$.

Semantics: indistinguishability

We say that $P \sim_{\mathcal{M}} Q$ when, for any PPTIME adversary \mathcal{A} , the following advantage is negligible in η :

$$|\mathbf{Pr}\{\rho : \mathcal{A}_{\eta,\rho}^P = 1\} - \mathbf{Pr}\{\rho : \mathcal{A}_{\eta,\rho}^Q = 1\}|$$

Here $\mathcal{A}_{\eta,\rho}^P$ may extract randomness from ρ_2 , interact with P by choosing observable actions and input values, and receiving output values.

Equivalently: for any tr , for any PPTIME machines $(\mathcal{A}_x)_{\text{in}(c,x) \in \text{tr}}$ and \mathcal{A} , the following is well-defined and negligible in η :

$$|\mathbf{Pr}\{\rho : \mathcal{A}(\llbracket \Phi(P^{\text{tr}}) \rrbracket_{\eta,\rho}^\sigma) = 1\} - \mathbf{Pr}\{\rho : \mathcal{A}(\llbracket \Phi(Q^{\text{tr}}) \rrbracket_{\eta,\rho}^\sigma) = 1\}|$$

where P^{tr} is the result of executing tr with inputs given by $(\mathcal{A}_x)_x$.

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take symbol g_x of arity the number of preceding outputs;
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P and Q are computationally indistinguishable if:

- P and Q must perform the same traces tr ;
- for each such tr , $\text{fold}(P, \text{tr}) \sim \text{fold}(Q, \text{tr})$ is valid.

Example

$P = \mathbf{new}~m.~\mathbf{in}(c, x).\mathbf{out}(c, m)$

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Axioms: basic examples

Force enough things that are valid in computational models,
using **recursive axiom schemes**. For example:

$$\forall \vec{x}, \vec{y}, \vec{z}, \vec{w}. \quad \vec{x}, \vec{z} \sim \vec{y}, \vec{w} \Rightarrow f(\vec{x}), \vec{z} \sim f(\vec{y}), \vec{w}$$

$$\forall \vec{x}, \vec{y}, z, z'. \quad \vec{x}, z \sim \vec{y}, z' \Rightarrow \vec{x}, z, z \sim \vec{y}, z', z'$$

$$\forall \vec{x}, \vec{y}. \quad x_1, \dots, x_n \sim y_1, \dots, y_n \Rightarrow x_{\pi(1)}, \dots, x_{\pi(n)} \sim y_{\pi(1)}, \dots, y_{\pi(n)}$$

where π is any permutation

$$\vec{u} \sim \vec{v} \Rightarrow \vec{u}, n \sim \vec{v}, m$$

for any terms such that $n \notin \text{fn}(\vec{u})$, $m \notin \text{fn}(\vec{v})$

$$\forall x, y, z, \vec{u}, \vec{v}. \quad \text{if } \text{EQ}(x, y) \text{ then } t[x] \text{ else } z, \vec{u} \sim \vec{v} \Rightarrow$$
$$\text{if } \text{EQ}(x, y) \text{ then } t[y] \text{ else } z, \vec{u} \sim \vec{v}$$

$$\forall b, \vec{w}, x, z. \quad b, \vec{w}, x \sim b, \vec{w}, z \wedge b, \vec{w}, y \sim b, \vec{w}, z$$
$$\Rightarrow \vec{w}, \text{if } b \text{ then } x \text{ else } y \sim \vec{w}, z$$

Axioms: a counter-example

Removing b from hypotheses in previous axiom yields an unsound one:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall b, \vec{w}, x, z. \quad & \vec{w}, x \sim \vec{w}, z \wedge \vec{w}, y \sim \vec{w}, z \\ \Rightarrow \vec{w}, \mathbf{if } \, b \, \mathbf{then } \, x \, \mathbf{else } \, y \sim \vec{w}, z \end{aligned}$$

Assume we have symbols `fst` and `neg`, interpreted in some model as the extraction of the first bit and negation respectively. Then we have

$$\text{fst}(n) \sim \text{fst}(n) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{neg}(\text{fst}(n)) \sim \text{fst}(n)$$

but

$$\mathbf{if } \, \text{fst}(n) \, \mathbf{then } \, \text{fst}(n) \, \mathbf{else } \, \text{neg}(\text{fst}(n)) \not\sim \text{fst}(n).$$

The previous (sound) axiom would not allow to derive this incorrect indistinguishability, since $\text{fst}(n), \text{fst}(n) \not\sim \text{fst}(n), \text{neg}(\text{fst}(n))$.

Axioms: equality

In a computational model,

- $\llbracket \text{EQ}(u, v) \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^{\sigma} = \llbracket \text{true} \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^{\sigma}$ iff $\llbracket u \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^{\sigma} = \llbracket v \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^{\sigma}$;
- $\text{EQ}(u, v) \sim \text{true}$: $\llbracket u \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^{\sigma} = \llbracket v \rrbracket_{\eta, \rho}^{\sigma}$ with overwhelming probability;
- $u = v$: shorthand for $\text{EQ}(u, v) \sim \text{true}$.

Example axioms on equality:

$$\forall x, y. \quad x = y \wedge \Phi[x] \Rightarrow \Phi[y]$$

$$\forall x. \quad \text{EQ}(x, x) = \text{true}$$

$$\text{EQ}(n, u) = \text{false} \quad \text{when } n \notin \text{fn}(u)$$

$$\forall x, y. \quad \mathbf{if \, true \, then \,} x \mathbf{\, else \,} y = x$$

$$\forall x, y. \quad \mathbf{if \, false \, then \,} x \mathbf{\, else \,} y = y$$

$$\forall b, x, y, z, . \quad \mathbf{if \,} b \mathbf{\, then \, if \,} b \mathbf{\, then \,} x \mathbf{\, else \,} y \mathbf{\, else \,} z = \mathbf{if \,} b \mathbf{\, then \,} x \mathbf{\, else \,} z$$

$$\forall x, y. \quad \mathbf{proj}_1}(\mathbf{pair}(x, y)) = x$$

Axioms: encryption

The following axiom scheme is satisfied when $\llbracket \text{aenc} \rrbracket$ is IND-CCA1:

$$\vec{v}, \text{if EQL}(u, u') \text{ then } \{u\}_{\text{pk}_a}^r \text{ else } u'' \sim \vec{v}, \text{if EQL}(u, u') \text{ then } \{u'\}_{\text{pk}_a}^{r'} \text{ else } u''$$

provided:

- r and r' do not appear in other terms;
- sk_a only occurs in decryption position in \vec{v}, u, u', u'' .

If $\llbracket \text{aenc} \rrbracket$ ensures key privacy, then

$$\vec{v}, \{u\}_{\text{pk}_a}^r \sim \vec{v}, \{u\}_{\text{pk}_{a'}}^{r'}$$

holds whenever r and r' are fresh and secret keys for a and a' do not occur, in particular there are no decryptions using these keys.

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Anonymity

$$R(sk_b, \mathbf{pub}(sk_a)) \approx? R(sk_b, \mathbf{pub}(sk_c))$$

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- $\Phi_a \sim \Phi_0, \{\langle n_b, n_b \rangle\}_{pk_a}^r$ by basic axiom on conditional;
- $\Phi_a \sim \Phi_b$ by the previous item for a and a' and key privacy.