# Verification of security protocols: from confidentiality to privacy 

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## ENS Cachan



- 12 academic departments: mathematics, computer science, chemistry, social sciences, ...
- 13 research laboratories

Laboratoire Spécification \& Vérification

## Research at LSV

## Verification of critical software and systems

Goal: develop the mathematical and algorithmic foundations to the development of tools for automatically proving correctness and detecting flaws.

Applications: computerized systems, databases, security protocols

## LSV in figures

- Founded in 1997
- Around 25 permanents +15 PhD students
- 5 research teams


## SECSI team

## Security of Information Systems

- 4 permanents: David Baelde, H. Comon-Lundh, S. Delaune, et J. Goubault-Larrecq.

- 1 engineer +1 postdoc
- 3 phd students


## Cryptographic protocols everywhere !



Goal: they aim at securing communications over public/insecure networks

## Some security properties

- Secrecy: May an intruder learn some secret message between two honest participants?
- Authentication: Is the agent Alice really talking to Bob?
- Anonymity: Is an attacker able to learn something about the identity of the participants who are communicating?
- Non-repudiation: Alice sends a message to Bob. Alice cannot later deny having sent this message. Bob cannot deny having received the message.


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Cryptographic: make use of cryptographic primitives
Examples: symmetric encryption, asymmetric encryption, signature, hashes, ...


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Example: This might be as simple as shifting each letter by a number of places in the alphabet (e.g. Caesar cipher)


Today: DES (1977), AES (2000)

## A famous example

## Enigma machine (1918-1945)

- electro-mechanical rotor cipher machines used by the German to encrypt during Wold War II
- permutations and substitutions


A bit of history

- 1918: invention of the Enigma machine
- 1940: Battle of the Atlantic during which Alan Turing's Bombe was used to test Enigma settings.
$\longrightarrow$ Everything about the breaking of the Enigma cipher systems remained secret until the mid-1970s.


## Advertisement



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## Examples:

- 1976: first system published by W. Diffie, and M. Hellman,
- 1977: RSA system published by R. Rivest, A. Shamir, and L. Adleman.
$\longrightarrow$ their security relies on well-known mathematical problems (e.g. factorizing large numbers, computing discrete logarithms)

Today: those systems are still in use

## What is a signature scheme?

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## Example:

The RSA cryptosystem (in fact, most public key cryptosystems) can be used as a signature scheme.

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$\longrightarrow$ Version 1 is still vulnerable to the aforementioned attack.

## What about protocols used in real life ?



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Step 2: breaking encryption via factorisation of the following (96 digits) number: 213598703592091008239502270499962879705109534182 6417406442524165008583957746445088405009430865999
$\longrightarrow$ now, the number that is used is made of 232 digits

## HTTPS connections



Lots of bugs and attacks, with fixes every month

## FREAK attack discovered by Baraghavan et al (Feb. 2015)

(1) a logical flaw that allows a man in the middle attacker to downgrade connections from 'strong' RSA to 'export-grade' RSA;
(2) breaking encryption via factorisation of such a key can be easily done.
$\longrightarrow$ 'export-grade' were introduced under the pressure of US governments agencies to ensure that they would be able to decrypt all foreign encrypted communication.

## This talk: formal methods for protocol verification

Does the protocol satisfy a security property?


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Two main tasks
(1) Modelling cryptographic protocols and their security properties
(2) Designing verification algorithms

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- may intercept and send new messages according to its deduction capabilities.
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## Terms

They are built over a signature $\mathcal{F}$, and an infinite set of names $\mathcal{N}$.

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\begin{array}{lll}
\mathrm{t}::= & n & \text { name } n \in \mathcal{N} \\
& \mathrm{f}\left(t_{1}, \ldots, t_{k}\right) & \text { application of symbol } \mathrm{f} \in \mathcal{F}
\end{array}
$$

- Names are used to model atomic data
$\longrightarrow$ e.g. keys, nonces, agent names, ...
- Function symbols are used to model cryptographic primitives
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(1) $\operatorname{aenc}(\operatorname{sign}(k, \operatorname{sk}(a)), b)$;
(2) $\operatorname{senc}(s, k)$

## Capabilities of the attacker

## Symbolic manipulation on terms

He may build new messages following deduction rules


Pairing

$$
\frac{x y}{\langle x, y\rangle} \frac{\langle x, y\rangle}{x} \quad \frac{\langle x, y\rangle}{y}
$$

Asymmetric encryption
$\frac{x \quad y}{\operatorname{aenc}(x, y)} \frac{\operatorname{aenc}(x, y) \operatorname{sk}(y)}{x}$

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(1) Saturation of $T$ with terms in $\operatorname{St}(T \cup\{u\})$ that are deducible in one step;
(2) if $u$ is in the saturated set then return Yes else return No.

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Completeness If the term $u$ is deducible from $T$, then the algorithm returns Yes. Otherwise, it returns No.
$\longrightarrow$ this relies on a locality property

## Locality lemma

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(1) composition rules: encryption, signature, and pairing
(2) decomposition rules: decryption, projections, ...

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(2) $S t^{+}(T)=S t(T) \cup\{\operatorname{vk}(u) \mid \operatorname{sk}(u) \in \operatorname{vk}(u) \in S t(T)\}$.
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In order to decide whether a term $u$ is deducible from a set of terms $T$, we propose the following algorithm:
(1) Starting from $T$, apply as much as possible the decryption and the projection rules This leads to a set of terms called Decomposition $(T)$.
(2) Check whether $u$ can be obtained by applying the composition rules on top of terms in Decomposition $(T)$.
(3) In case of success, the algorithm returns Yes. Otherwise, it returns No.

## Questions

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## Deduction in this more general setting

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Example: Let $\mathrm{E}:=\operatorname{sdec}(\operatorname{senc}(x, y), y)=x$ and $T=\{\operatorname{senc}(\operatorname{secret}, k), k\}$. We have that $T \vdash$ secret.


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We have that:

$$
\left.w_{4} \triangleright \operatorname{aenc}(\operatorname{sign}(k, s k a), \operatorname{pk}(s k c)) ; w_{5} \triangleright \operatorname{senc}(s, k)\right\} .
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Is the intruder able to tell whether Alice sends yes or no?

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| blind sign., addition, homo. encryption |  |  |
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$\longrightarrow$ this simply models a normal execution between two honest participants

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Some difficulties:

- we have to consider all the possible executions in presence of an arbitrary adversary (modelled as a process)
- we have to consider realistic initial configurations
$\longrightarrow$ replications to model an unbounded number of sessions,
$\longrightarrow$ reveal public keys and private keys to model dishonest agents,
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Exercise: Exhibit the process $A$ (the behaviour of the attacker) that witnesses the aforementioned attack.

## Security properties - authentication

This can be expressed as a correspondence property:
if $B$ finishes a session, thinking he has talked to $A$ then $A$ has also finished a session, thinking she has talked to $B$ (+ possibly agreement on some values).

Enriched syntax for processes:

$$
\begin{array}{rlrl}
P, Q:= & 0 & & \text { null process } \\
& \operatorname{in}(c, x) \cdot P & & \text { input } \\
& \ldots & & \\
& & \text { event } p\left(u_{1}, \ldots, u_{n}\right) \cdot P & \\
\text { event }
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Authentication properties with agreement on some values:

$$
\forall x \cdot \operatorname{EndB}(a, b, x) \Rightarrow \operatorname{EndA}(a, b, x)
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## State of the art in a nutshell

confidentiality for an unbounded number of sessions

- undecidable in general
[Even \& Goldreich, 83; Durgin et al, 99]
- some decidability results for some restricted fragment, e.g. one variable per protocol's rule
[Comon \& Cortier, 03]
- ProVerif: A tool that does not correspond to any decidability result but works well in practice.
[Blanchet, 01]

More details

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[Rusinowitch \& Turuani, 01; Millen \& Shmatikov, 01]
- result extended to deal with various cryptographic primitives.
$\longrightarrow$ various automatic tools, e.g. AVISPA platform [Armando et al., 05] More details about this tomorrow !


## Challenge

Would you be able to find the attack on the well-known Needham-Schroeder protocol?

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
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To help you:
http://www.lsv.ens-cachan.fr/~delaune/VTSA/proverif.pdf

# Questions? 

See you tomorrow!

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $a b a$ | $b b b$ | $a a b$ | $b b$ |  | $a$ | $a a a$ | $a b a b$ |
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## No miracle

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## Experimental results

$\longrightarrow$ still, ProVerif works well in practice.

| Protocol | Result | ms |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Needham-Schroeder shared key | Attack | 52 |
| Needham-Schroeder shared key corrected | Secure | 109 |
| Denning-Sacco | Attack | 6 |
| Denning-Sacco corrected | Secure | 7 |
| Otway-Rees | Secure | 10 |
| Otway-Rees, variant of Paulson98 | Attack | 12 |
| Yahalom | Secure | 10 |
| Simpler Yahalom | Secure | 11 |
| Main mode of Skeme | Secure | 23 |

Pentium III, 1 GHz .

