

# Systematic translation of Cryptographic Axioms by Bi-deduction (Work in progress)

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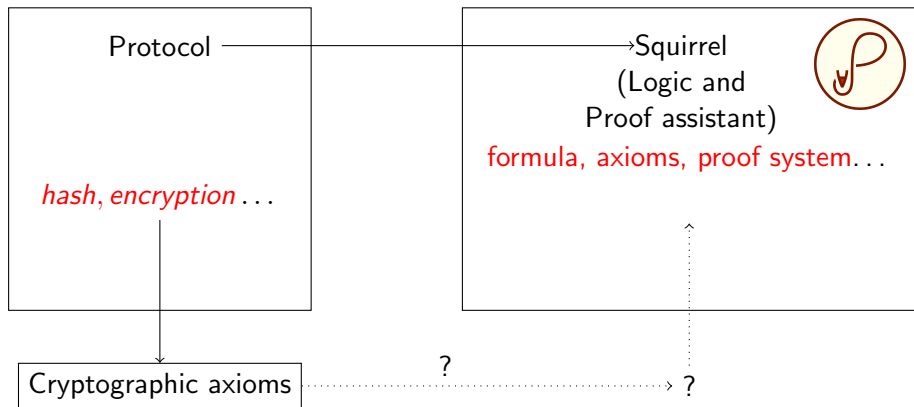


Formal verification of cryptographic protocols.

Examples:

- Secure online payment (authentication)
- Secure messaging (privacy)

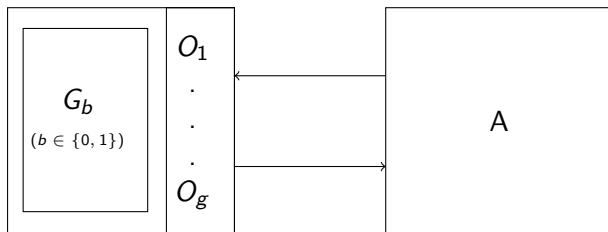
# Squirrel and Cryptographic axioms



# This talk

- Insight of cryptographic axioms and Squirrel logic
- Capture cryptographic axioms into formulas, while ensuring their correctness.

# Cryptographic axiom



## Definition (Indistinguishability)

For any polynomial-time and randomized algorithms  $A$ ,

$$|\Pr(A^{G_0} = 1) - \Pr(A^{G_1} = 1)|$$

is negligible (*i.e.*, roughly exponentially small in the length of the keys).

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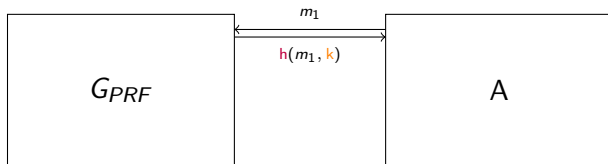
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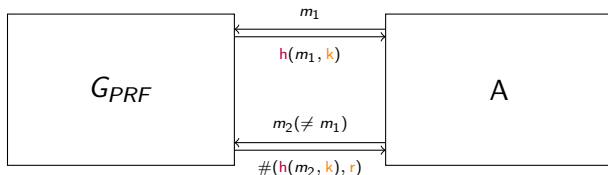
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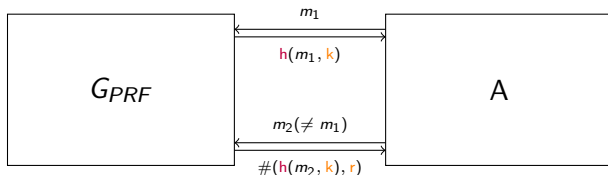
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$$m_1, h(m_1, k), m_2, \#(h(m_2, k), r)$$

$$:= ( (m_1, h(m_1, k), m_2, h(m_2, k)), \\ (m_1, h(m_1, k), m_2, r) )$$

## Playing with PRF: sequence of messages



$$\text{equiv}((m_1, h(m_1, k), m_2, \#(h(m_2, k), r)))$$

It there exists an adversary that can distinguish between **this two sequences of messages**, then PRF doesn't holds.

# Terms and formulas

## Definition (Terms)

Intuition: terms represents messages

Semantics: interpreted as computation of a turing machine.

$t :=$	$  r$	(sampling)
	$  f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$	(function application)
	$  \#(t_0, t_1)$	(left/right difference)

## Definition (Equivalence formulas)

$\text{equiv}(\vec{t})$

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For all terms  $\vec{t}$  and  $m$ , samplings  $k$  and  $r$  such that

- $k$  never appears in  $\vec{t}$  and  $m$  except:  $h(-, k)$ .
- for all subterms  $h(m', k)$  of  $\vec{t}$  or  $m$ :  $m$  and  $m'$  are never equal.
- $r$  never appears in  $\vec{t}$  and  $m$

$$\overline{\text{equiv}((\vec{t}, \#(h(m, k), r)))}$$

# Problems and contributions

## Problem with this method

Ad-hoc and manual work for each cryptographic axioms:

- Axiom schema design
- Correctness proof (understand the logic and its semantics)
- Implementation (understand the code)

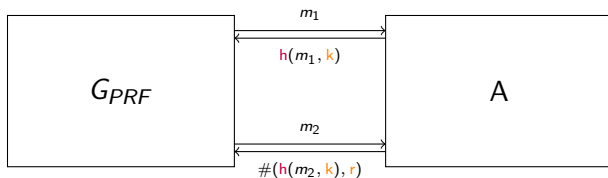
## Contributions

- A systematic way to prove that a formula is a consequence of a cryptographic axioms.
- Automation (WIP)

# Changing point of view

Input :

$m_1, h(m_1, k), m_2, h(m_1, k), m_3, \#(h(m_3, k), r_{fresh})$



Question: Does there exists such  $A$  ?

# Bi-deduction

Construction of bi-deduction judgement: starting point

Intuition: there exists  $A$  such that  $A^{G_{PRF}}() = \vec{v}$ .

$$\triangleright \vec{v}$$

Definition (Link between Bi-deduction and Equivalence )

Intuition: if an adversary can compute  $\vec{v}$  then the formula  $\mathbf{equiv}(\vec{v})$  holds.

BI-DEDUCTION

$$\triangleright \vec{v}$$

$$\frac{\triangleright \vec{v}}{\mathbf{equiv}(\vec{v})}$$

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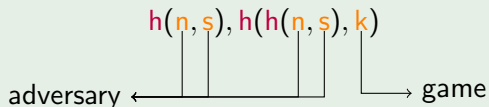
Function application inference rule

$$\frac{\text{FA} \quad \triangleright \vec{t}}{\triangleright f(\vec{t})}$$



# Samplings

## Example



We need to keep track of the owner of each sampling.

## Definition (Tags)

$$Tag = \{T_a, T_{g,0}, T_{g,1}, \dots\}$$

$$n \leftarrow T_a$$

$$s \leftarrow T_a$$

$$k \leftarrow T_{g,key}$$

# Extending bi-deduction with constraints

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## Oracle calls on example

Definition (Oracle rule : instanced for hash oracle)

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# Consistency of tagging

$$\frac{\text{BI-DEDUCTION} \quad C : \triangleright \vec{t} \quad \vdash \text{Valid}(C)}{\text{equiv}(\vec{t})}$$

*Valid(C)* ensures :

- Not two samples for one “role” (e.g.,  $k \leftarrow T_{g,\text{key}}, k' \leftarrow T_{g,\text{key}}$  )
- No sample owned by both the adversary and the oracles



## Oracle rule : Challenge

Oracle rule instanced for challenge

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$$L = [m]$$

$$L = [m, m]?$$

# Hoare's style oracle triplets

Definition (Hoare's triples for an oracle  $o$ )

Let  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  be pre and post conditions.

$$\{\phi\}c_o[\vec{t}, \vec{s}]\{\psi\}$$

is correct iff:

- When  $\phi$  holds the oracle  $o$  return  $c_o[\vec{t}, \vec{s}]$  on input  $\vec{t}$  and samplings  $\vec{s}$ .
- $\psi$  holds after  $o$  call.

When  $L = lis \implies m \notin L$  then

$$\{L := lis\} \# (h(m, k), r) \{L := m :: lis\}$$

is correct.

Adding pre and post conditions

$$\phi, \psi; C : \triangleright \vec{v}$$

## Definition (Oracle rule)

$$\text{ORACLE}$$
$$\frac{\phi, \psi; C : \triangleright \vec{t}, \vec{v} \quad \{\psi\} c_o[\vec{s}, \vec{t}] \{\theta\}}{\phi, \theta; C, \langle \vec{s}, T_g, \dots \rangle : \triangleright c_o[\vec{s}, \vec{t}], \vec{v}}$$

## Challenges following:

Recursive terms : induction in the proof system

→ Approximate pre and post condition

- Abstract representation of the game memory.
- Adapt the rule and/or the proof of soundness regarding these approximation.

# Conclusion

- Formal framework linking games, adversaries, and formulas
- Bi-deduction judgment to capture adversaries interacting with a game
- Proof system for this judgment
- Over-approximation of pre and post conditions (WIP)
- Implementation
  - Automation of proof search (WIP)
  - How to generate/check Hoare triples? (Future Work)

# Questions ?



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