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### TMN Protocol: Distribution of a fresh symmetric key

[Tatebayashi, Matsuzuki, Newmann 89]:



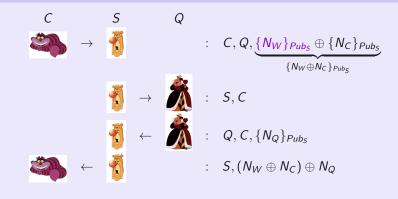
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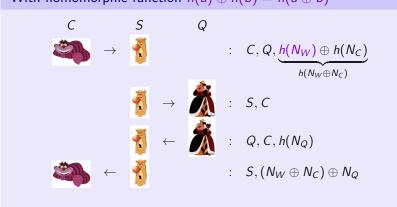


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#### Deduction System: Extended Dolev-Yao

(A) 
$$\frac{u \in T}{T \vdash u}$$
 (UL)  $\frac{T \vdash \langle u, v \rangle}{T \vdash u}$ 

(P) 
$$\frac{T \vdash u \quad T \vdash v}{T \vdash \langle u, v \rangle}$$
 (UR)  $\frac{T \vdash \langle u, v \rangle}{T \vdash v}$ 

(C) 
$$\frac{T \vdash u \quad T \vdash v}{T \vdash \{u\}_v}$$
 (D)  $\frac{T \vdash \{u\}_v \quad T \vdash v}{T \vdash u}$ 

$$(M_E) \quad \frac{T \vdash u_1 \quad \cdots \quad T \vdash u_n}{T \vdash C[u_1, \dots, u_n] \downarrow} \quad C \text{ is an context made with } \{h, \oplus\}$$

Example for  $M_E$ 

$$\mathsf{T} \vdash \mathsf{a} \oplus \mathsf{h}(\mathsf{a}) \quad \mathsf{T} \vdash \mathsf{b}\mathsf{T} \vdash \mathsf{a} \oplus \mathsf{h}^2(\mathsf{a}) \oplus \mathsf{h}(\mathsf{b})$$
  
 $C[u_1, u_2] = u_1 \oplus \mathsf{h}(u_1) \oplus \mathsf{h}(u_2)$ 

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### Passive Intruder with homomorphisme and Xor

#### Theorem of Locality [LLT'05,Del'05]

A minimal proof P of  $T \vdash u$  contains only computable terms.

Complexity of Intruder Deduction [Del'05]

 $T \vdash u$  (for T, u ground) is decidable in PTIME

The proof uses

- McAllester's locality theorem
- linear equation solving over  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}[h]$

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### Some Results to Active Intruder

XOR : ACUN [Rusinowitch & al 03] [Comon-Shmatikov 03]

- $(x \oplus y) \oplus z = x \oplus (y \oplus z)$  Associativity
- $x \oplus y = y \oplus x$  Commutativity
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Abelian Group and Exponential : AG [Millen-Shmatikov 05]

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### Our contribution

Homomorphism over XOR : ACUNh

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#### Modelisation of a protocol in a system of constraint

The Intruder is the network, he can listen, built, send and replay messages.

$$P := \begin{cases} \operatorname{recv}(u_1); \operatorname{send}(v_1) \\ \operatorname{recv}(u_2); \operatorname{send}(v_2) \\ \vdots \\ \operatorname{recv}(u_n); \operatorname{send}(v_n) \end{cases}$$

 $T_0$  Intruder initial knowledge.

$$\mathcal{L} := \left\{ egin{array}{cccc} T_0 & \Vdash & u_1 \ T_0, v_1 & \Vdash & u_2 \ & & \vdots \ & & & \vdots \ T_0, v_1, \dots, v_n & \Vdash & s \end{array} 
ight.$$

If this system has a solution  $\sigma$  then the secret s can be obtain by the Intruder.

#### System of Constraints Well-formed [Millen-Shmatikov 03]

 $C = \{T_i \Vdash u_i\}_{1 \le i \le k}$  is *well-formed* if:

• monotonicity: The knowledge of the intruder is increasing.

$$T_1 \subseteq T_2 \subseteq \ldots \subseteq T_k$$

• origination: Variables appear first on right side:

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But NOT well-defined !

 $\theta = \{Y \rightarrow X\}$  and  $C\theta$  is not well-formed:

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Let  $\mathcal{C}$  a W-D constraints system

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### From W-D $\Vdash$ to W-D $\Vdash_1$

#### Example

$$\mathcal{C} \quad := \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} T & \Vdash & \langle X, h(Y) \rangle \\ T, X & \Vdash & \{Z\}_K \end{array} \right.$$

Guess set of subterms of C and an order on these subterms  $S_0 = \{X, h(Y), \langle X, h(Y) \rangle\}$ 

$$\mathcal{C}' := \begin{cases} T & \Vdash_{1} & X \\ T, X & \Vdash_{1} & h(Y) \\ T, X, h(Y) & \Vdash_{1} & \langle X, h(Y) \rangle \\ T, S_{0} & \Vdash_{1} & Z \\ T, S_{0}, Z & \Vdash_{1} & K \\ T, S_{0}, Z, K & \Vdash_{1} & \{Z\}_{K} \end{cases}$$

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From W-D \Vdash_1 to W-D \Vdash_{M_E}
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#### Guess equalities between subterms of C.

(consider all the possible applications of rules (C) (P) (D) (UR) (UL))

Example

$$\mathcal{C} \hspace{0.1 cm} := \hspace{0.1 cm} \left\{ egin{array}{ccc} \langle a,b
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Guess { $\langle X, b \rangle = \langle a, b \rangle$ }, compute ACUNh m.g.u.  $\theta : \{X \mapsto a\}$  [UNIF'06]

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### From W-D $\Vdash_{M_E}$ to W-D equations system (I)

#### Idea

Abstraction  $\rho$  replaces all factors by new constant symbols to get a constraint system on signature:  $\oplus$ , *h*, and constant symbols.

Example:

$$\mathcal{C} := \begin{cases} a, b & \Vdash_{M_E} & \langle X, b \rangle \\ a, b, X & \Vdash_{M_E} & X \oplus b \end{cases}$$

 ${\mathcal C}$  is well-defined, but not  ${\mathcal C}\rho$ 

$$\mathcal{C}\rho := \begin{cases} a,b & \Vdash_{M_E} & c_1 \\ a,b,X & \Vdash_{M_E} & X \oplus b \end{cases}$$

### From W-D $\Vdash_{M_E}$ to W-D equations system (II)

#### Lemma

Restriction to systems where abstraction preserves Well-Definedness is sufficent for completeness.

Example:

$$\mathcal{C} := \begin{cases} a, b & \Vdash_{M_E} X \\ a, b, \langle X, b \rangle & \Vdash_{M_E} \langle X, b \rangle \oplus Z \end{cases}$$

 $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{C}\rho$  are well-defined.

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We propose a procedure to solve Well-defined Quadratic system of equation.

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### Results & Future Works

|       | Complexity        |             |             |
|-------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|       | Unification       | Intruder    | Security    |
|       | Problem           | Deduction   | Problem     |
|       |                   | Problem     |             |
| ACUN  | NP-complete       | P-TIME      | NP-Complete |
|       | [Guo,Narendran98] | [CS03]      | [CKRT03]    |
| AG    | Decidable         | P-TIME      | Decidable   |
|       | [Lankford84]      | [CS03]      | [MS05]      |
| ACh   | Undecidable       | NP-Complete | Undecidable |
|       | [Narendran96]     | [LLT'05]    |             |
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|       | [Guo,Narendran98] | [Del06]     |             |
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|       | [Baader93]        | [Del06]     | [Del06]     |

Future works :  ${x \oplus y}_k = {x}_k \oplus {y}_k$ 

Thank you for your attention



Questions ?