

Probabilistic Model Checking of Security Protocols without Perfect Cryptography Assumption

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Importance of Security Protocols

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- Key point of security systems
- Used in many areas
- Errors in: structure, operations, security
- Specification and verification importance
- Need for the complete formal model
- IT market development sets new requirements

New Challenges

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- Large number of keys
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- "Tailor-made" security
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- AVISPA
- UPPAAL
- PRISM

AVISPA

(Automated Validation of Internet Security Protocols and Applications) project aims at developing a push-button, industrial-strength technology for the analysis of large-scale Internet security-sensitive protocols and applications.

Avispa provide:

- specification language - HLPSL
- four modules looking for attack in four different ways



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UPPAAL

is an integrated tool environment for modeling, validation and verification of real-time systems modeled as networks of timed automata, extended with data types (bounded integers, arrays, etc.). It is appropriate for systems that can be modeled as a collection of non-deterministic processes with finite control structure and real-valued clocks, communicating through channels or shared variables.

Uppaal consists of three main parts:

- specification language
- simulator
- model-checker



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PRISM

PRISM is a probabilistic model checker, a tool for formal modelling and analysis of systems that exhibit random or probabilistic behaviour.

PRISM can build and analyse several types of probabilistic models:

- discrete-time Markov chains (DTMCs)
- continuous-time Markov chains (CTMCs)
- Markov decision processes (MDPs)
- probabilistic automata (PAs)
- probabilistic timed automata (PTAs)

Models are described using the PRISM language.



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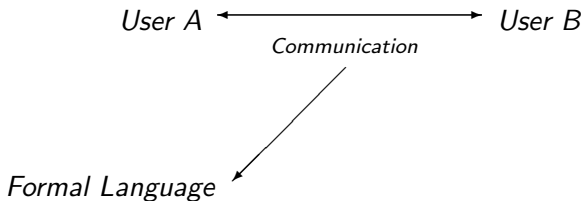
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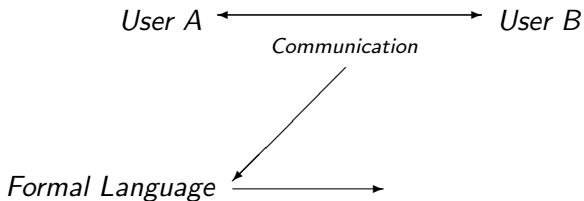
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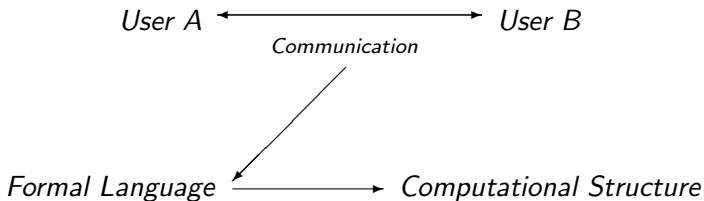
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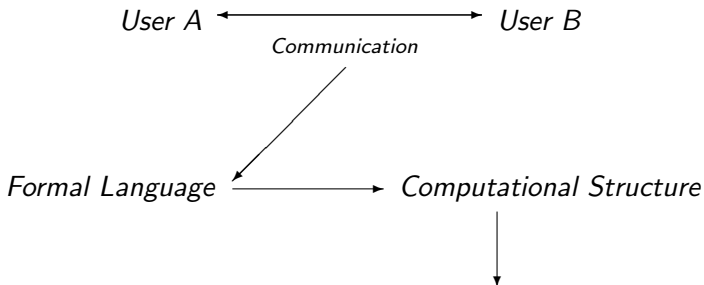


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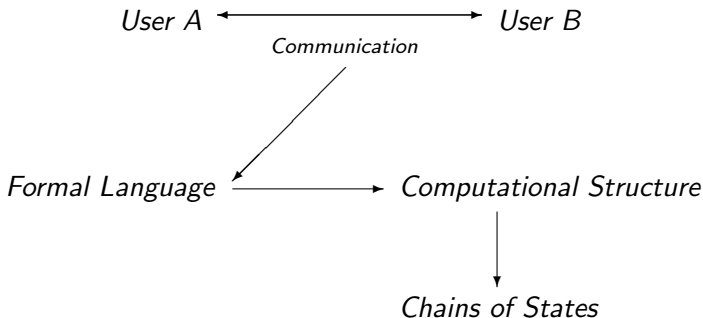
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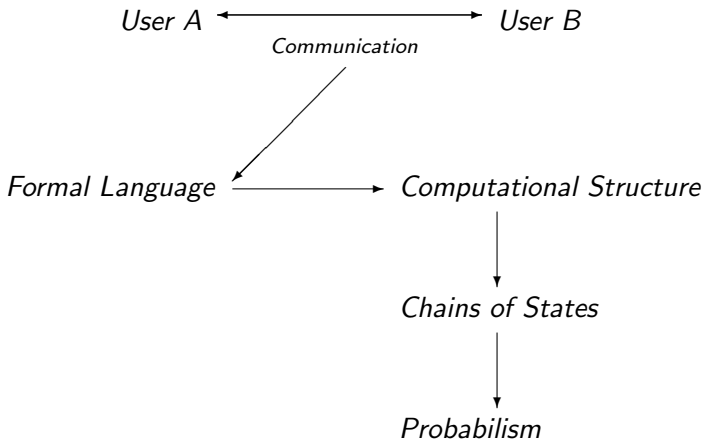
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Example Needham-Schroeder Protocol and Lowe's attack

Needham-Schroeder Protocol:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_1 \quad & A \rightarrow B : \langle N_A \cdot i(A) \rangle_{K_B}, \\ \alpha_2 \quad & B \rightarrow A : \langle N_A \cdot N_B \rangle_{K_A}, \\ \alpha_3 \quad & A \rightarrow B : \langle N_B \rangle_{K_B}.\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Lowe's attack:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_1^1 \quad & A \rightarrow \iota : \langle N_A \cdot i(A) \rangle_{K_\iota}, \\ \alpha_1^2 \quad & \iota(A) \rightarrow B : \langle N_A \cdot i(A) \rangle_{K_B}, \\ \alpha_2^2 \quad & B \rightarrow \iota(A) : \langle N_A \cdot N_B \rangle_{K_A}, \\ \alpha_2^1 \quad & \iota \rightarrow A : \langle N_A \cdot N_B \rangle_{K_A}, \\ \alpha_3^1 \quad & A \rightarrow \iota : \langle N_B \rangle_{K_\iota}, \\ \alpha_3^2 \quad & \iota(A) \rightarrow B : \langle N_B \rangle_{K_B}.\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

Chains of States - Types of States

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- ① S_j^i - the execution of i -th step in the j -th execution
- ② $G_A^{N_A}$ - the nonce/key N_A generated by user A
- ③ K_A^X - user A acquired message X
- ④ P_A^X - user A has to possess knowledge of element X in order to carry out a given step

Chains for NSPK

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Execution:

$$\alpha_1 \quad A \rightarrow B : \langle N_A \cdot i(A) \rangle_{K_B},$$

$$\alpha_2 \quad B \rightarrow A : \langle N_A \cdot N_B \rangle_{K_A},$$

$$\alpha_3 \quad A \rightarrow B : \langle N_B \rangle_{K_B}.$$

can be encoded by:

$$\alpha_1^1 = (G_A^{N_A}, S_1^1, K_B^{N_A}),$$

$$\alpha_2^1 = (P_B^{N_A}, G_B^{N_B}, S_2^1, K_A^{N_B}),$$

$$\alpha_3^1 = (P_A^{N_B}, S_3^1).$$

Example with the Intruder

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Corresponding chains for the Lowe's attack:

$$\alpha_1^1 = (G_A^{N_A}, S_1^1, K_\iota^{N_A}),$$

$$\alpha_2^1 = (P_\iota^{\langle N_A \cdot N_B \rangle K_A}, S_2^1, K_A^{N_B})$$

$$\alpha_3^1 = (P_A^{N_B}, S_3^1, K_\iota^{N_B}),$$

$$\alpha_1^2 = (P_\iota^{N_A}, S_1^2, K_B^{N_A}),$$

$$\alpha_2^2 = (P_B^{N_A}, G_B^{N_B}, S_2^2, K_\iota^{\langle N_A \cdot N_B \rangle K_A}),$$

$$\alpha_3^2 = (P_\iota^{N_B}, S_3^2).$$

A Correct Chain of States

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Definition

We call the sequence of the protocol's states: $s = s_1, s_2, \dots$ a **correct chain of states** iff the following conditions holds:

- 1 if $s_i = S_j^k$ for some j, k then $j = 1 \vee \exists_{t < i} (s_t = S_{j-1}^k)$ and $PreCond(S_j^k) \subseteq \{s_1, \dots, s_{i-1}\} \wedge PostCond(S_j^k) \subseteq \{s_{i+1}, \dots\}$,
- 2 if $s_i = G_U^X$, then $\forall_{t \neq i} (s_t \neq G_U^X)$,
- 3 if $s_i = P_U^X$, then $\exists_{t < i} (s_t = G_U^X \vee s_t = K_U^X)$.

New Challenges - Probabilistic Approach

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Automata Model

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Consider a **probabilistic automaton** of protocol runs:

$\mathcal{A} = \langle Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F \rangle$, where:

- Q is the finite set of states,
- Σ is the input alphabet (a power set of the set of all keys that Intruder needs to break in order to gain access to secret information),
- $\delta \subseteq Q \times \Sigma \times \langle 0, 1 \rangle \times Q$ is the transition relation (with distinguished probability),
- q_0 is the initial state,
- $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of finite (accepting) states.

Needham-Schroeder-Lowe Protocol

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NSPKL:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_1 \quad A &\rightarrow B : \langle N_A \cdot i(A) \rangle_{K_B}, \\ \alpha_2 \quad B &\rightarrow A : \langle N_A \cdot N_B \cdot i(B) \rangle_{K_A}, \\ \alpha_3 \quad A &\rightarrow B : \langle N_B \rangle_{K_B}.\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

Let's assume that:

- $\alpha'_1 - \alpha_1$ and breaking/gaining K_B^{-1} with probability p_{1K_B}
- $\alpha'_2 - \alpha_2$ and breaking/gaining K_A^{-1} with probability p_{1K_A} or K_B^{-1} with probability p_{2K_B} , or both keys with probability p_{1b}
- $\alpha'_3 - \alpha_3$ and breaking/gaining K_B^{-1} with probability p_{3K_B} and so on...

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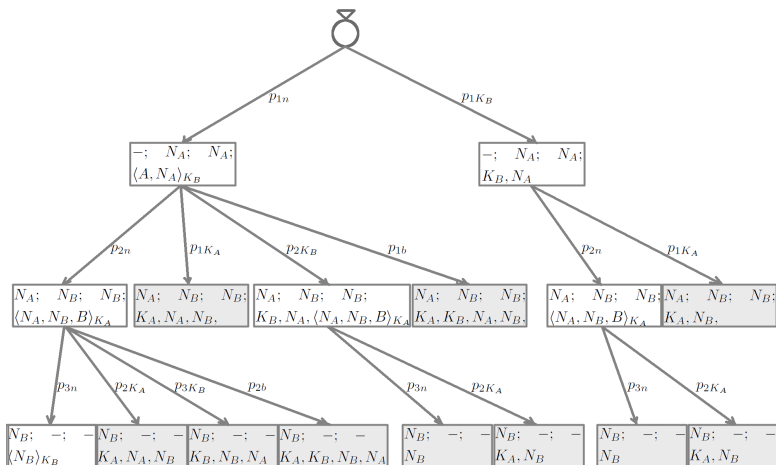
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- On the input: protocol specification (in ProToc) communication parameters
- Parsing
- Executions building
- Chains of states creation
- Adding probabilistic analysis
- On the output: probability of breaking each key or combination of keys in each step

Experiments

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Protocol	Number of nodes	Computing time [s]
NSPKL	1112	0,011
NSPKL_server2	17004	0,55
NSPKL_server1	58442	2,53
NSPKL_non2	2691920	183

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Shown method allows us to determine for the input protocol which keys are most important (breaking/gaining them guarantees the easiest interception of confidential information), and hence the correct choice of encryption strength or security. It also highlights the keys that are not so important and their cryptographic power can be reduced - thus relieving the server.

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