

A Derivation System for Security Protocols and its Logical Formalization



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Contributions

- Protocol derivation
 - Build security protocols by combining parts from standard sub-protocols.
- Proof of correctness
 - Prove protocols correct using logic that follows steps of derivation.



Outline

- **Derivation System**
 - Motivating examples
 - Main concepts
 - Benefits
- **Compositional Logic**
 - Main idea
 - Syntax, semantics and proof system
 - Formalizing Composition
- **Conclusions and Future Work**



Protocol Derivation System



Example

- Construct protocol with properties:
 - Shared secret
 - Authenticated
 - Identity Protection
 - DoS Protection
- Design requirements for **IKE, JFK, IKEv2** (IPSec key exchange protocol)



Component 1

- Diffie-Hellman

A \rightarrow B: g^a

B \rightarrow A: g^b

- Shared secret (with someone)

- A deduces:

$\text{Knows}(Y, g^{ab}) \supset (Y = A) \vee \text{Knows}(Y, b)$

- Authenticated
- Identity Protection
- DoS Protection



Component 2

- Challenge Response:

$A \rightarrow B: m, A$

$B \rightarrow A: n, \text{sig}_B \{m, n, A\}$

$A \rightarrow B: \text{sig}_A \{m, n, B\}$

- Shared secret (with someone)
- **Authenticated**
 - A deduces: $\text{Received}(B, \text{msg1}) \wedge \text{Sent}(B, \text{msg2})$
- Identity Protection
- DoS Protection



Composition

$$m := g^a$$

$$n := g^b$$

- ISO 9798-3 protocol:

A → B: g^a , A

B → A: g^b , $\text{sig}_B \{g^a, g^b, A\}$

A → B: $\text{sig}_A \{g^a, g^b, B\}$

- Shared secret: g^{ab}
- Authenticated
- Identity Protection
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Refinement

- Encrypt signatures:

$A \rightarrow B: g^a, A$

$B \rightarrow A: g^b, E_K \{ \text{sig}_B \{ g^a, g^b, A \} \}$

$A \rightarrow B: E_K \{ \text{sig}_A \{ g^a, g^b, B \} \}$

- Shared secret: g^{ab}
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Transformation

- Use cookie: JFK core protocol

A \rightarrow B: g^a, A

B \rightarrow A: $g^b, \text{hash}_{KB} \{g^b, g^a\}$

A \rightarrow B: $g^a, g^b, \text{hash}_{KB} \{g^b, g^a\}$

$E_K \{\text{sig}_A \{g^a, g^b, B\}\}$

B \rightarrow A: $g^b, E_K \{\text{sig}_B \{g^a, g^b, A\}\}$

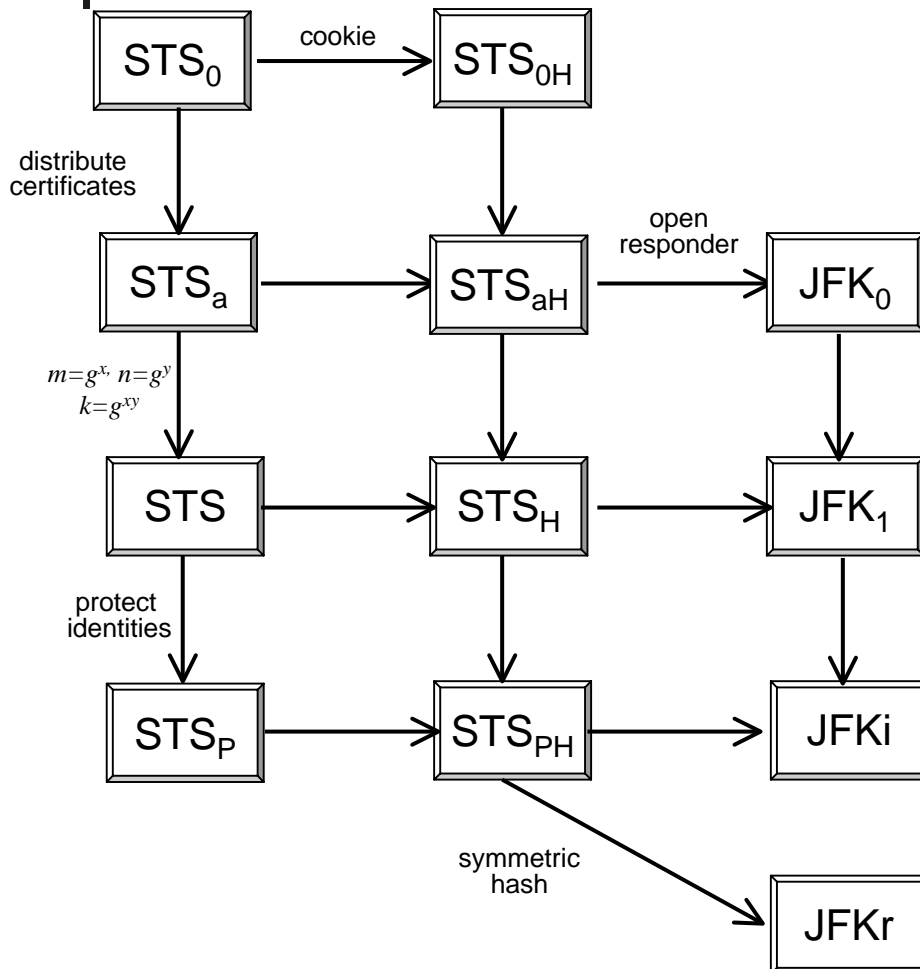
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Derivation Framework

- Protocols are constructed from:
 - **components**by applying a series of:
 - **composition, refinement** and **transformation** operations.
- **Properties accumulate** as a derivation proceeds.
- Examples in paper:
 - STS, ISO-9798-3, JFKi, JFKr, IKE

STS Family Derivation



Properties:

- Certificates from CA
- Shared secret: g^{ab}
- Identity protection
- DoS protection
- Reverse ID protection



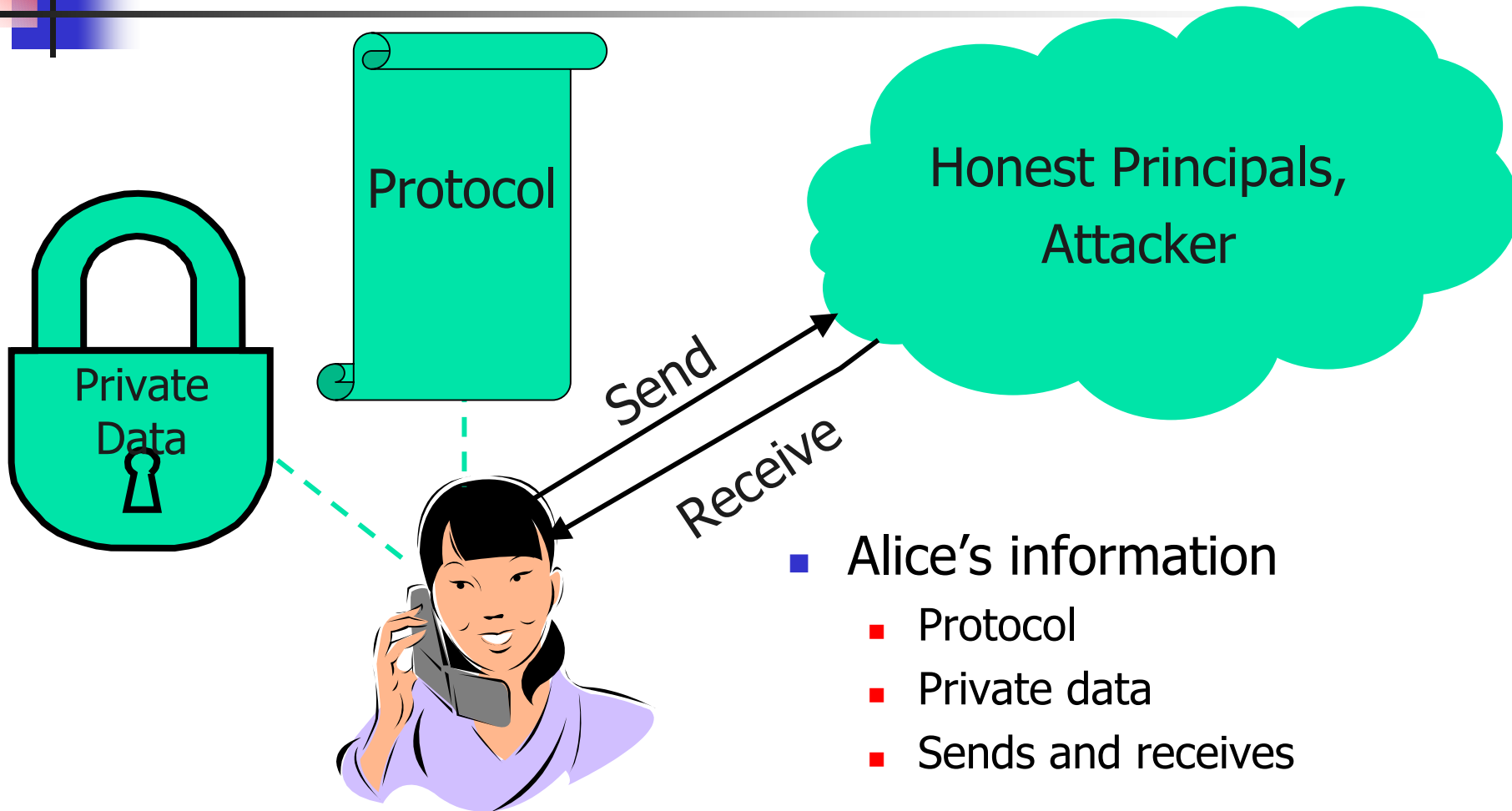
Benefits and Directions

- Complex protocols are easier to **understand** and **analyze**.
- Protocols can be organized in a **taxonomy**.
 - e.g., STS family, Needham-Schroeder family.
- Protocol **synthesis**.

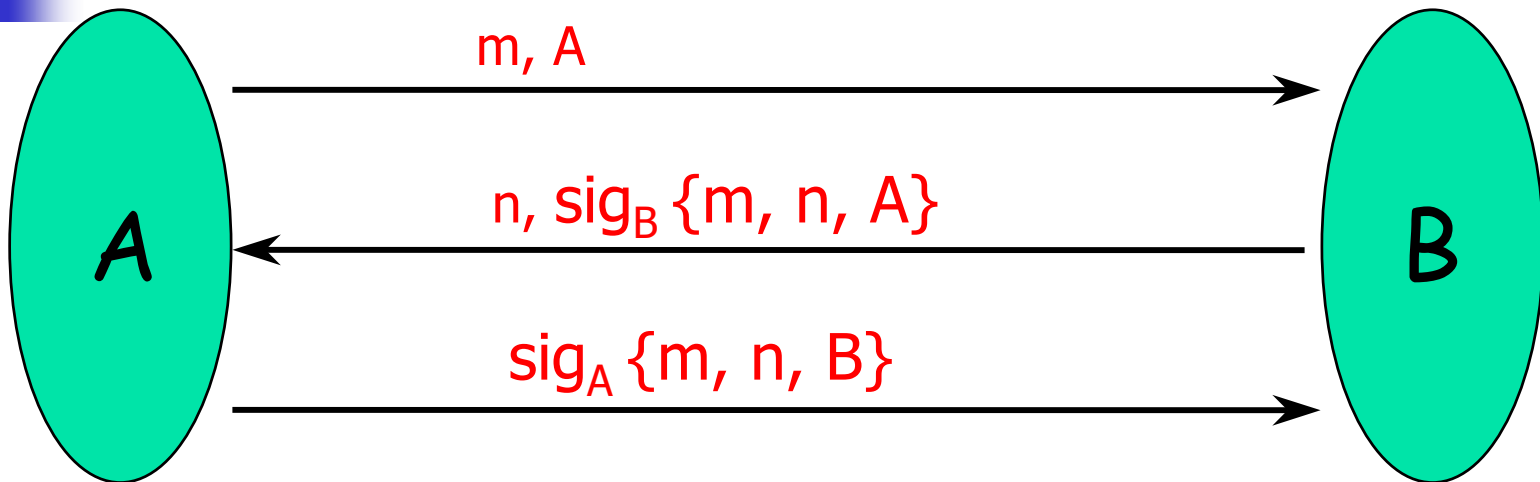


Compositional Logic

Protocol Logic: Main idea



Example: Challenge-Response



- Alice reasons: if Bob is honest, then:
 - only Bob can generate his signature. [protocol independent]
 - if Bob generates a signature of the form $\text{sig}_B \{m, n, A\}$,
 - he sends it as part of msg 2 of the protocol and
 - he must have received msg1 from Alice. [protocol specific]
- Alice deduces: $\text{Received}(B, \text{msg1}) \wedge \text{Sent}(B, \text{msg2})$

Execution Model

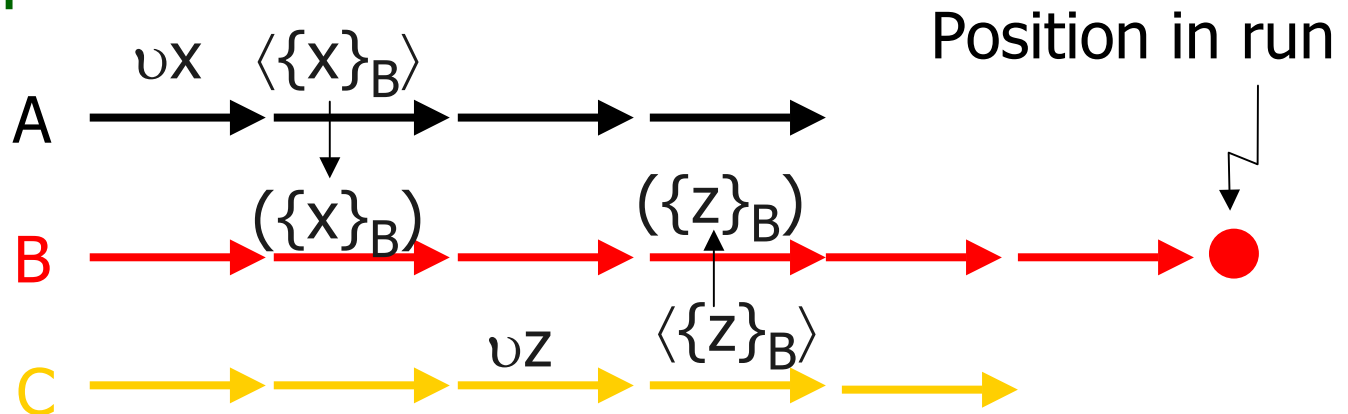
- Protocol

- “Program” for each protocol role

- Initial configuration

- Set of principals and key
- Assignment of ≥ 1 role to each principal

- Run





Formulas true at a position in run

- Action formulas

$a ::= \text{Send}(P,m) \mid \text{Receive}(P,m) \mid \text{New}(P,t)$
 $\mid \text{Decrypt}(P,t) \mid \text{Verify}(P,t)$

- Formulas

$\varphi ::= a \mid \text{Has}(P,t) \mid \text{Fresh}(P,t) \mid \text{Honest}(N)$
 $\mid \text{Contains}(t_1, t_2) \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \mid \exists x \varphi$
 $\mid \circ\varphi \mid \diamond\varphi$

- Example

$\text{After}(a,b) = \diamond(b \wedge \circ\diamond a)$



Modal Formulas

- After actions, postcondition

$[\text{actions}]_P \varphi$ where $P = \langle \text{princ, role id} \rangle$

- Before/after assertions

$\varphi [\text{actions}]_P \psi$

- Composition rule

$$\frac{\varphi [S]_P \psi \quad \psi [T]_P \theta}{\varphi [ST]_P \theta}$$

*Note: same P
in all formulas*



Diffie-Hellman: Property

- Formula

- $[\text{new } a]_A \text{ Fresh}(A, g^a)$

- Explanation

- Modal form: $[\text{actions}]_P \varphi$
- Actions: $[\text{new } a]_A$
- Postcondition: $\text{Fresh}(A, g^a)$



Challenge Response: Property

- Modal form: φ [actions] P ψ
 - precondition: $\text{Fresh}(A, m)$
 - actions: [Initiator role actions] A
 - postcondition:
 $\text{Honest}(B) \supset \text{ActionsInOrder}(\text{send}(A, \{A, B, m\}), \text{receive}(B, \{A, B, m\}), \text{send}(B, \{B, A, \{n, \text{sig}_B \{m, n, A\}\}\}), \text{receive}(A, \{B, A, \{n, \text{sig}_B \{m, n, A\}\}\}))$



Composition: $DH+CR = ISO-9798-3$

- DH postcondition matches CR precondition
- Combination:
 - Substitute g^a for m in CR to obtain ISO.
 - Apply composition rule, persistence.
 - ISO initiator role inherits CR authentication.
- DH secrecy is also preserved
 - Proved using another application of composition rule.



Critical issues

- Reasoning about honest principals
 - Invariance rule, called “honesty rule”
- Preservation of invariants under composition
 - If we prove $\text{Honest}(X) \supset \varphi$ for protocol 1 and compose with protocol 2, is formula still true?



Honesty Rule

- Definition

- A basic sequence of actions begins with receive, ends before next receive

- Rule

$$\frac{[]_X \varphi \quad \text{For all } B \in \text{BasicSeq}(Q). \varphi [B]_X \varphi}{Q \blacktriangleright \text{Honest}(X) \supset \varphi}$$

- Example

$$\text{CR} \blacktriangleright \text{Honest}(X) \supset (\text{Sent}(X, m_2) \supset \text{Recd}(X, m_1))$$

Combining protocols

Γ
DH \blacktriangleright Honest(X) \supset ...

Γ \vdash Secrecy

$\Gamma \cup \Gamma'$ \vdash Secrecy

Γ'
CR \blacktriangleright Honest(X) \supset ...

Γ' \vdash Authentication

$\Gamma \cup \Gamma'$ \vdash Authentication

$\Gamma \cup \Gamma'$ \vdash Secrecy \wedge Authentication

DH \bullet CR \blacktriangleright $\Gamma \cup \Gamma'$

\parallel

ISO \blacktriangleright Secrecy \wedge Authentication



Composition Rules

- Prove assertions from invariants

$$\Gamma \vdash \varphi [\dots]_P \psi$$

- Invariant weakening rule

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi [\dots]_P \psi}{\Gamma \cup \Gamma' \vdash \varphi [\dots]_P \psi}$$

If combining protocols, extend assertions to combined invariants

- Prove invariants from protocol

$$\frac{Q \blacktriangleright \Gamma \quad Q' \blacktriangleright \Gamma}{Q \bullet Q' \blacktriangleright \Gamma}$$

Use honesty (invariant) rule to show that both protocols preserve assumed invariants



Conclusions and Future Work



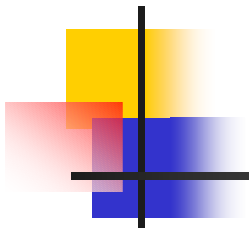
Conclusions

- **Protocol Derivation System:**
 - Systematizes the practice of building protocols from standard sub-protocols. Useful for:
 - protocol analysis and understanding.
 - organizing related protocols in taxonomies.
 - protocol synthesis.
- **Protocol Logic:**
 - Correctness proofs follow derivation steps.
 - Rigorous treatment of protocol composition.



Future Work

- **Derivation system:**
 - taxonomies: STS, Needham-Schroeder family.
 - explore possibility of protocol synthesis.
 - can proofs in other formal systems be guided by derivations?
- **Protocol Logic:**
 - Formalize refinements and transformations.
 - Automate proofs.



Questions?