

Formalizing the Lazy Intruder in Isabelle: Towards Formalized Protocol Compositionality Results

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Attack: Unifying K_{AB} and (M, A, B) enables the intruder to send the second message $\implies K_{AB}$ becomes known

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Example constraint C :

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one solution is the following:

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Constraint reduced to a **simple** (always satisfiable) constraint

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This is done as follows

- Any attack can be seen as a solution to a constraint
- Since the lazy intruder is complete, it will find a solution
- Show that all reduction steps preserve some invariant
 - ▶ e.g. no ill-typed instantiations of variables
- Show that the preservation implies the original property
- **Thus:** if there is an attack, then there is one where the solution has the property

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Example: Part of a typing result proof [Almoussa et al., 2015]:
(*Equation*). For the (*Unify*) rule, we proceed by cases of s and t :

- If both s and t are atomic, then s and t cannot be variables, so the above property is preserved trivially, simply because they must be the same constant.
- If both are composed, then $\sigma(s) = \sigma(t)$ and there exist $u, v \in SMP$ and ϑ_1, ϑ_2 such that $\vartheta_1(u) = s$ and $\vartheta_2(v) = t$. **Then, $\sigma(\vartheta_1(u)) = \sigma(\vartheta_2(v))$ and $\Gamma(u) = \Gamma(v) = \Gamma(s) = \Gamma(t)$** as the protocol is type-flaw-resistant, and so σ is well-typed.
- If t is variable, then it is simple and we proved earlier that if it has an ill-typed solution, then it also has a well-typed one.

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- ... but requires a huge time investment for proof development
 - ▶ **Informal arguments** not accepted
- **Simpler** definitions leading to simpler proofs can be useful

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Contributions (finished, modulo some details):

- Formalization of a lazy intruder in Isabelle/HOL
- Formalization of a typing result based on the lazy intruder
- Work towards formalization of a parallel compositionality result based on the typing result

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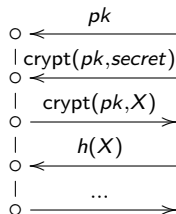
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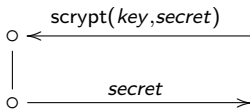
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An **easier representation**:



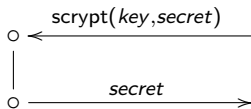
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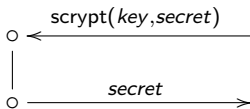
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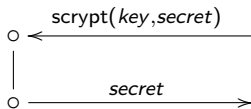


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Part of proving completeness of a lazy intruder constraint system [Cortier et al., 2007]

Definition 16 (simple) We say that a proof π is *simple* if

1. any subproof of π is left-minimal,
2. a composition rule of the form $\frac{u_1 \quad u_2}{u}$ is not followed by a decomposition rule leading to u_1 or u_2 ,

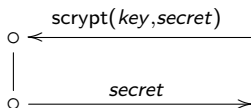
Lemma 2 Let \mathcal{C} be an unsolved constraint system, θ be a solution of \mathcal{C} and $T_i \Vdash u_i$ be a minimal unsolved constraint of \mathcal{C} . Let u be a term. If there is a *simple proof* of $T_i\theta \vdash u$ *having the last rule an axiom or a decomposition* then there is $t \in \text{St}(T_i) \setminus \mathcal{X}$ such that $t\theta = u$.

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- If the node is an application of the *(Decompose) rule*, then consider the ground term t that is being decomposed in the derivation proof for $\mathcal{I}(t_i)$. We first consider different cases depending on how t is derived:
 - If t is obtained by a decomposition step itself, then we regress to the respective term being decomposed, and we do so until we hit a term that is not obtained by decomposition. By the previous cases, this cannot

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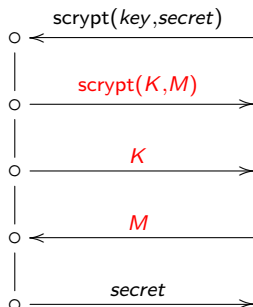
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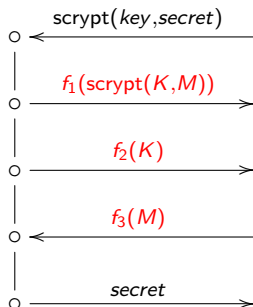
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Only finitely many analyzable terms given a finite intruder knowledge
Ill-typed unification between variables possible!

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Messages wrapped in **formats** to prevent ill-typed unification between variables (needed for typing result)

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For well-formed constraints:

Theorem

$\text{trp}(\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M})) \vdash_c t$ if and only if $\mathcal{I}(\text{trp}(\mathcal{M})) \vdash_c t$

Conclusion

Formalization of the **lazy intruder** in Isabelle/HOL

- With **simplifications**
- Soundness, completeness, termination proved

Relative soundness typing theorem formalized

- "exists attack \implies exists well-typed attack"

Future work (**compositionality!**)

- Formalize parallel compositionality theorem of [Almoussa et al., 2015]
- Formalize and **unify** other results based on the lazy intruder, e.g. [Cortier et al., 2007]