

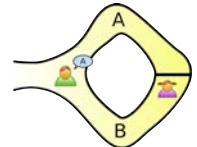
Type-checking Zero-knowledge

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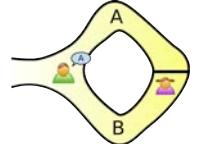
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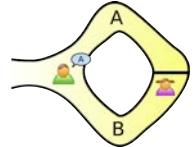
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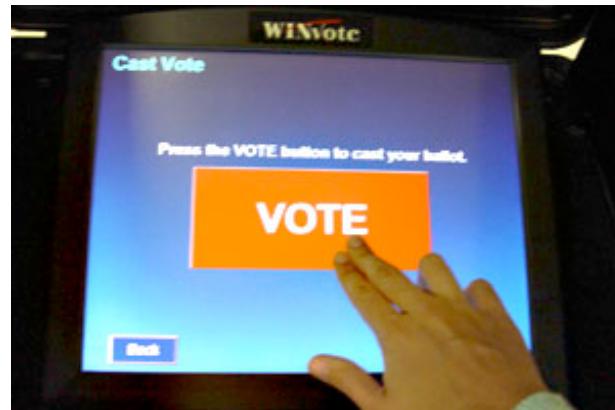
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- ▶ More recent research provided
 - Efficient constructions for special classes of statements
 - Constructions for non-interactive zero-knowledge

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- ▶ We provided two ways to automatically analyze protocols using zero-knowledge
 - Using ProVerif [Backes, Maffei & Unruh, S&P 2008]
 - Using a type system [Backes, Hritcu & Maffei, CCS 2008]

Outline

- ▶ Zero-knowledge proofs at work
 - *Direct Anonymous Attestation (DAA)* protocol
(extremely simplified in my example)
- ▶ *Modeling zero-knowledge proofs symbolically*
- ▶ *Type system* to statically enforce authorization policies for protocols using zero-knowledge proofs
 - Extension of [Fournet, Gordon & Maffei, CSF 2007]

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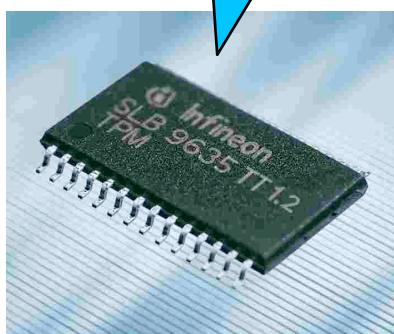
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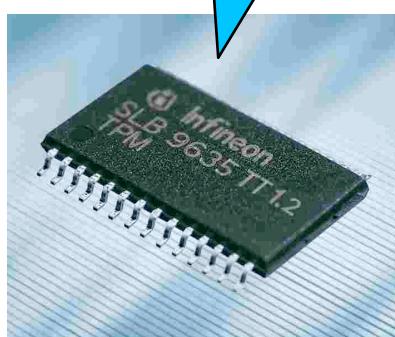
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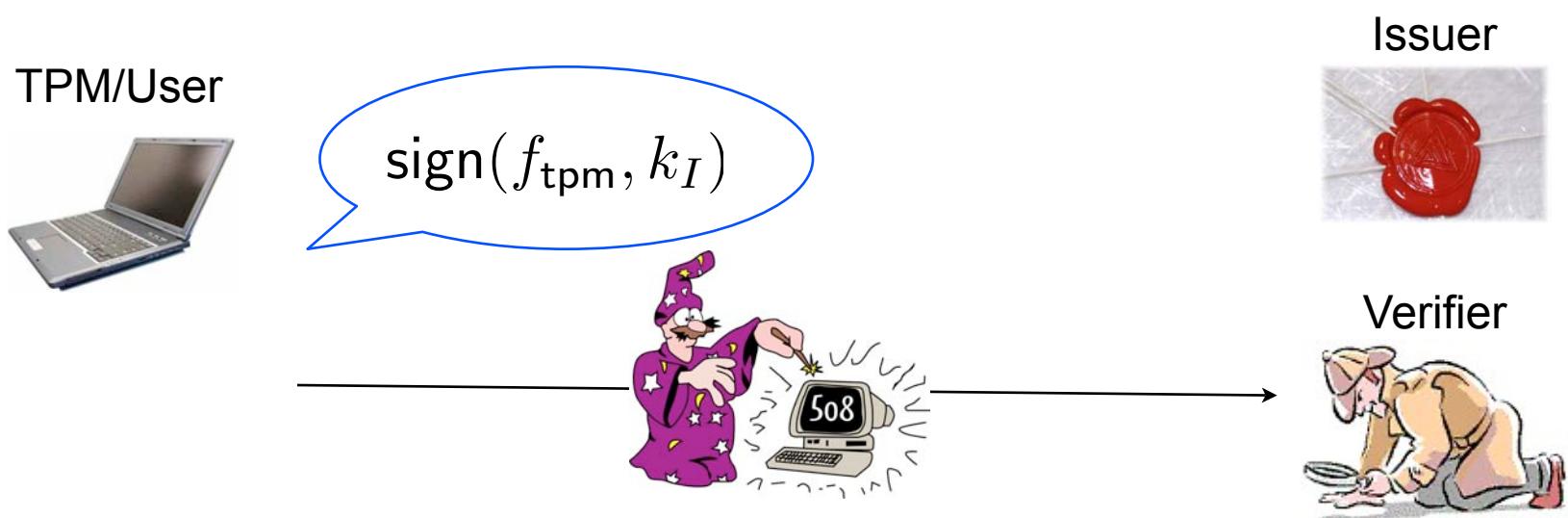
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The user has to prove the knowledge of a certificate for the secret TPM identifier $f_{\text{tpm}} \dots$
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Zero-knowledge proof

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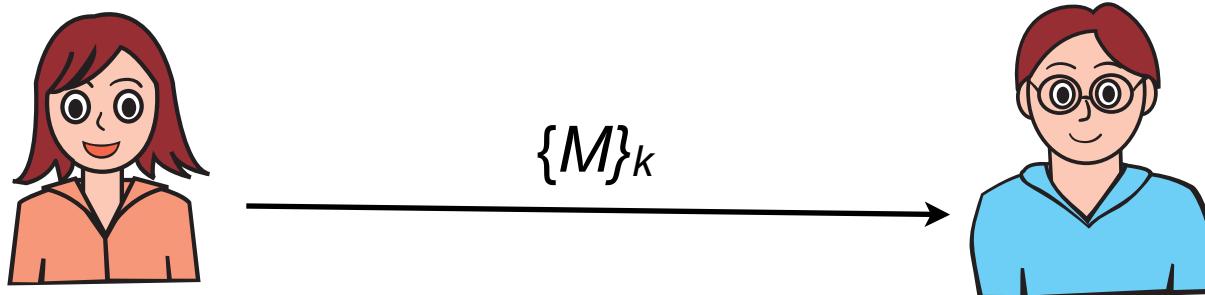


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Modeling zero-knowledge proofs symbolically

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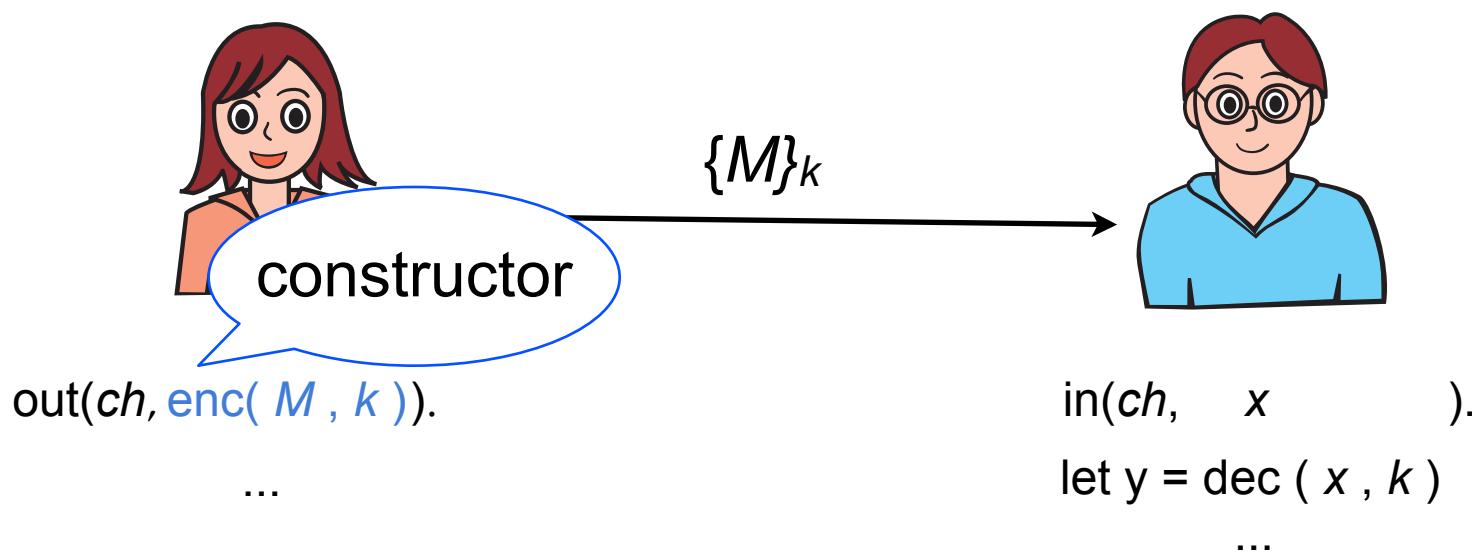
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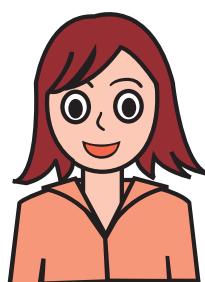
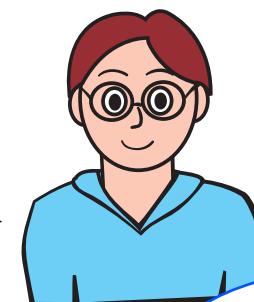
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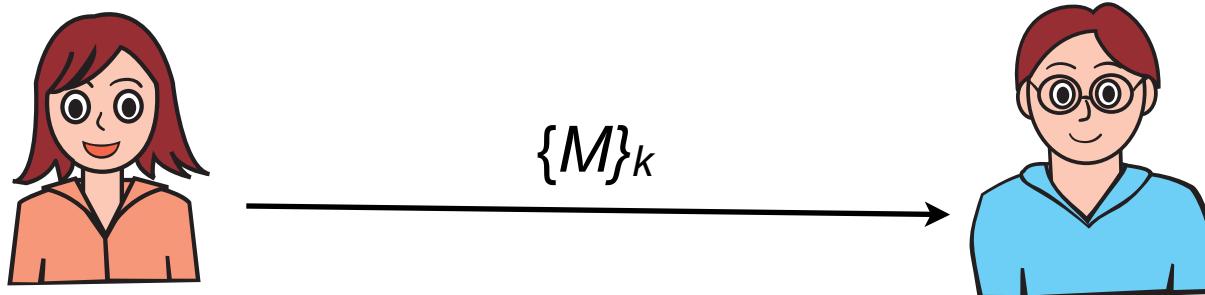
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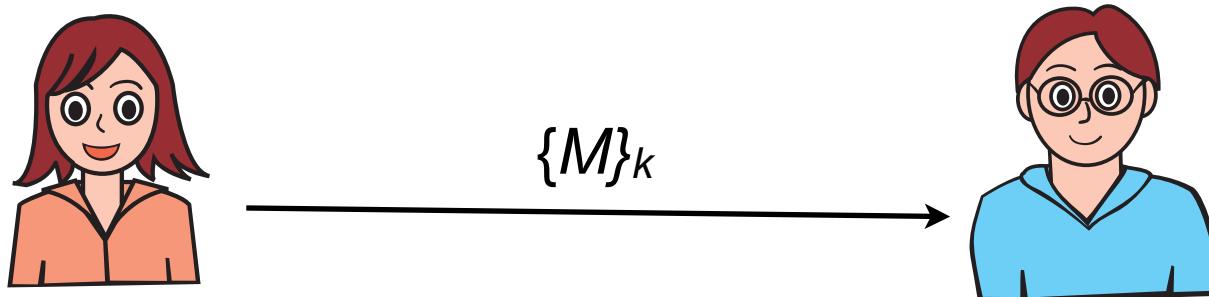
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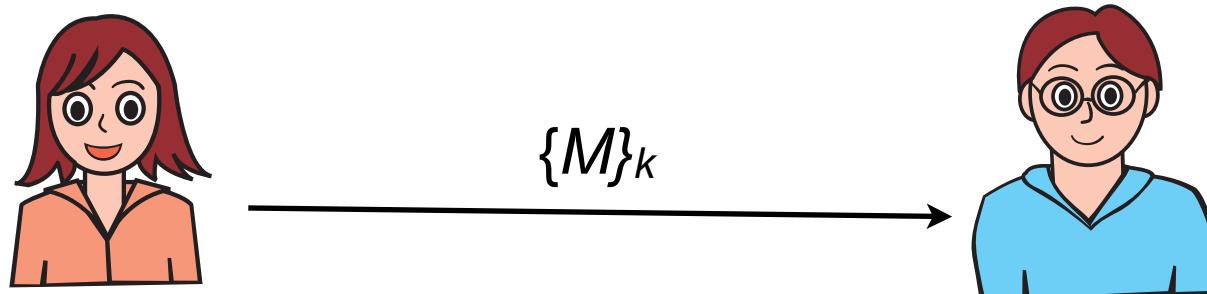
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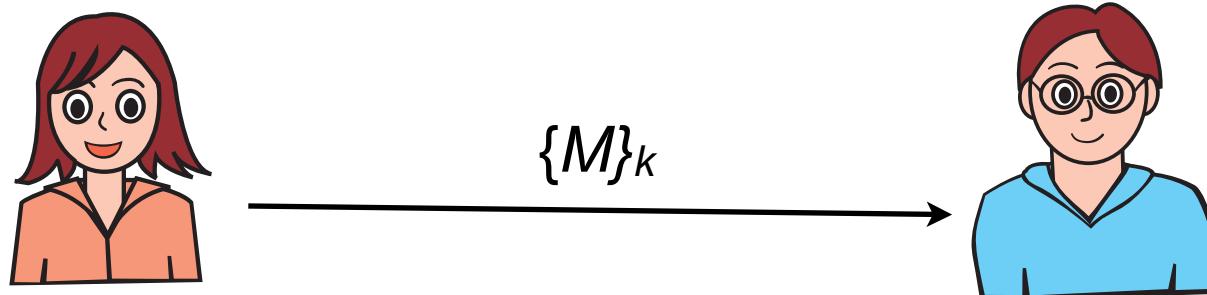


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Reduction relation ↓

Reduction relation for destructors

The semantics of the calculus is parameterized by a user-defined reduction relation for destructors:

Crypto

$$\begin{aligned}\text{dec}(\text{enc}(x,y), y) &\Downarrow x \\ \text{chk}(\text{sign}(x,y), \text{vk}(y)) &\Downarrow x\end{aligned}$$

Data

$$\begin{aligned}\text{first}(\text{pair}(x,y)) &\Downarrow x \\ \text{snd}(\text{pair}(x,y)) &\Downarrow y \\ \text{eq}(x,x) &\Downarrow \text{true}\end{aligned}$$

Logic

$$\begin{aligned}\text{and}(\text{true}, \text{true}) &\Downarrow \text{true} \\ \text{or}(x, \text{true}) &\Downarrow \text{true} \\ \text{or}(\text{true}, x) &\Downarrow \text{true}\end{aligned}$$

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zero-knowledge
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iff $S\{\tilde{N}/\tilde{\alpha}\}\{\tilde{M}/\tilde{\beta}\} \Downarrow_{\#} \text{true}$

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Soundness and completeness:

Verification succeeds if and only if the proof is valid

Zero-knowledge:

Only the public messages can be extracted

For computational soundness see [Backes & Unruh, CSF 2008]

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A process is *robustly safe* if it is safe when run in parallel with an arbitrary opponent process.



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TPM | Verif | Issuer

TPM = new $m: \text{Un.}$

assume $\text{Send}_{2,2}^{\text{out}}(c, zk_{2,2}, f_{\text{tpm}}, k_I); \text{vk}(k_I), m)$

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Refinement type

[Bengtson et al., CSF 2008]

The key is used to sign only messages x_f of type **Private** such that $\text{OkTPM}(x_f)$ is entailed by the current assumptions

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The user knows that $\text{Send}(f_{\text{tpm}}, m)$ (*local assumption*) and $\text{OkTPM}(f_{\text{tpm}})$ (*signature check*) are entailed...
but the verifier doesn't!

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Typing zero-knowledge proofs

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Conceptual issue

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Take the statement
(instantiated with the public
messages you know) and the
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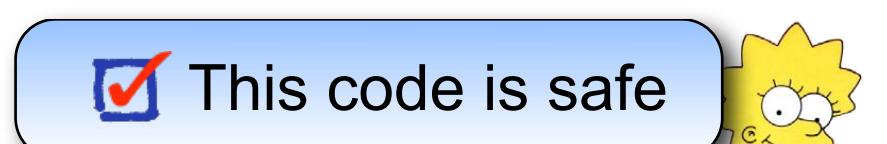
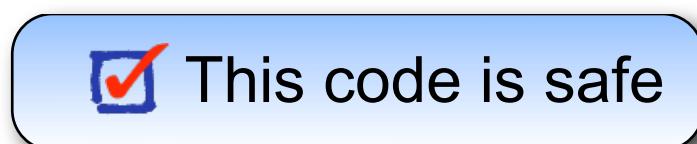
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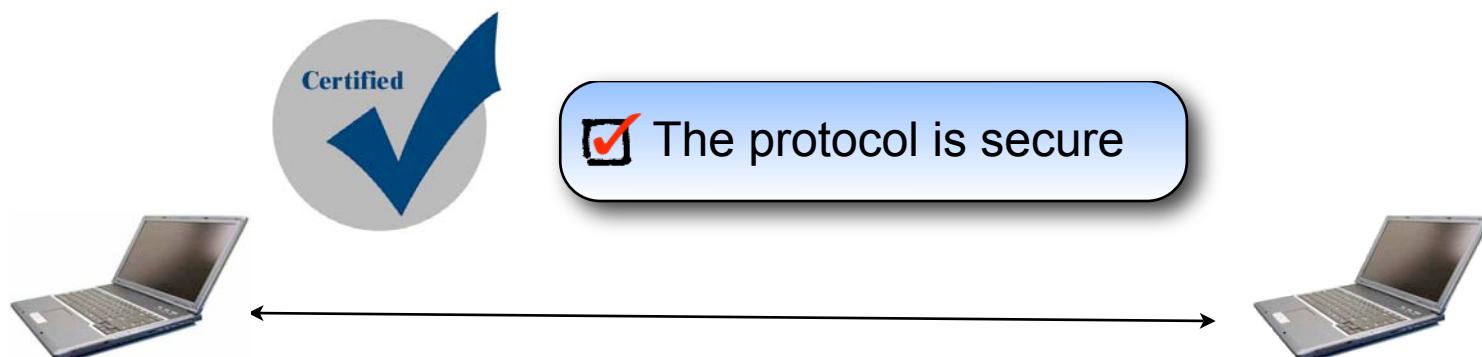
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Take home

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