

On Privacy for RFID

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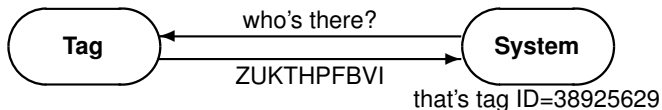
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Our Problem



- **one system** (may include several readers), many tags
- tags: **passive** (no battery), limited capabilities, not tamper-proof
- primary concern (industry driven): **security**
if System identifies tag ID, it must be tag ID
- secondary concern (user driven): **privacy**
tags could only be identified/traced/linked by System
- problem: formal model

Evolution of Privacy Models

- early models: distinguish between two honest tags
- OSK03: allow corruption at the end of the attack (forward privacy)
- ADO06: earlier corruption considered
- JW06: result channel considered
- V07: complete simulation-based definition + impossibility result
- NSMS08: “wise adversary”
- HPVP11 model: complete left-or-right game
- OV12 extension: the simulator can read the adversary’s thoughts

possible extensions: mutual authentication, with distance bounding, ...

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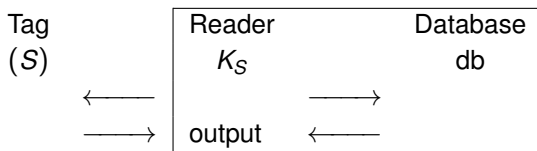
Asiacrypt 2007

- security and privacy models for single-system RFID
- feasibility and infeasibility results

RFID Scheme

Components:

- System = (stateless) Reader $\xleftrightarrow{\text{securely connected}}$ (stateful) Database
- SetupReader $\rightarrow (K_S, K_P)$:
generate keys (K_S, K_P) , store in Reader, and empty database
- SetupTag $_{K_P}(ID) \rightarrow (data, S)$:
 S is an initial state for tag ID
 $(ID, data)$ is to be inserted in database
- Protocols:

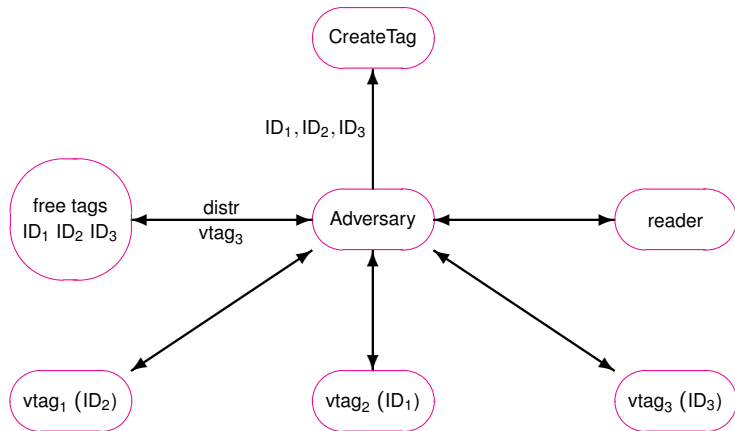


output: *tag ID (if valid) or \perp (if not)*

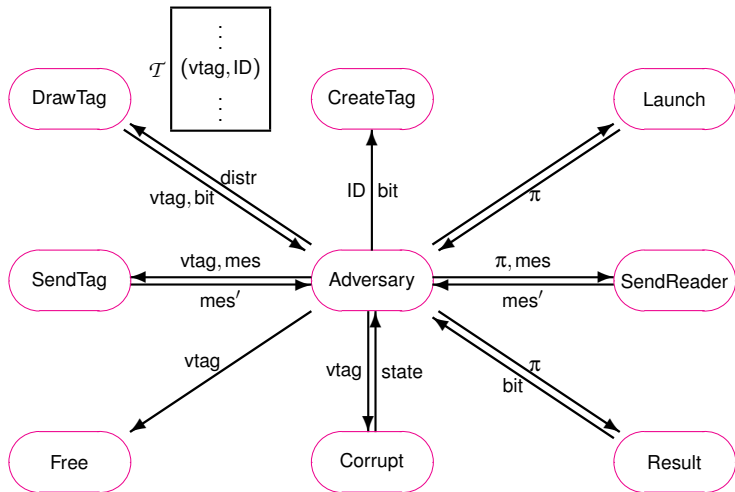
Functionality:

- correctness: identification under normal execution

Adversarial Model



Oracle Accesses

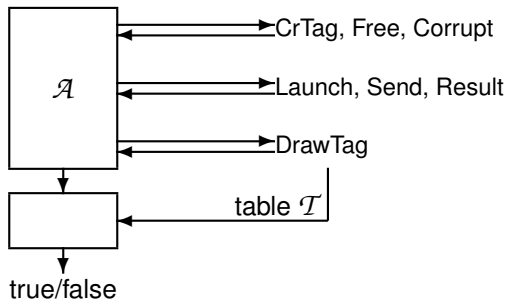


Winning condition: one reader-protocol instance π identified ID, tag ID was not corrupted and did not have any matching conversation (i.e. same transcript and well interleaved messages).

Definition

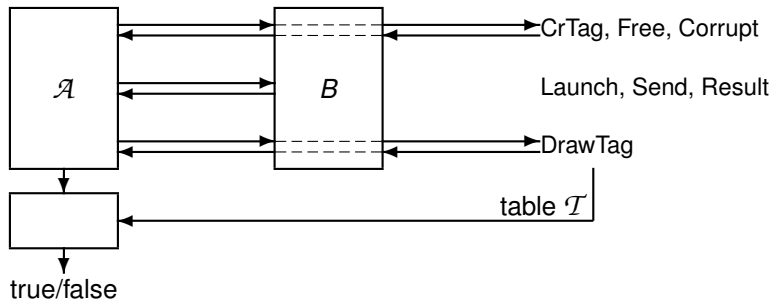
An RFID scheme is secure if for any polynomially bounded adversary the probability of success is negligible.

Privacy Adversary



- Wining condition: the adversary outputs true
- **Problem:** there are trivial wining adversaries (e.g. an adversary who always answers true)

Blinders

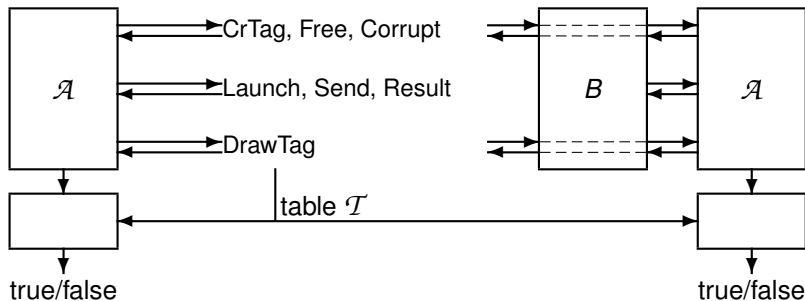


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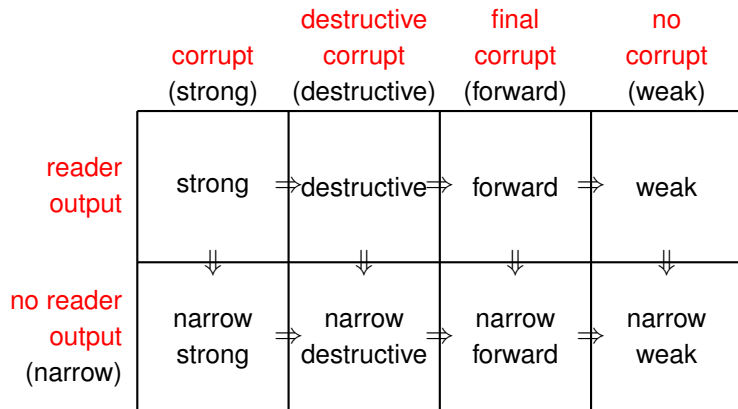
Privacy



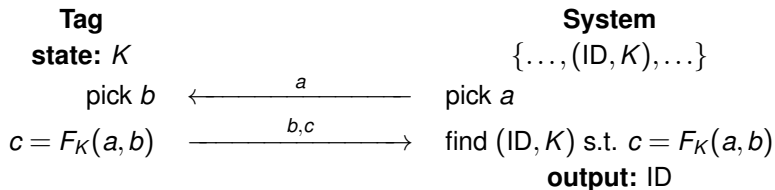
Definition

An RFID scheme protects privacy if for any polynomially bounded \mathcal{A} there exists a polynomially bounded blinder B such that $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] - \Pr[\mathcal{A}^B \text{ wins}]$ is negligible.

Privacy Models



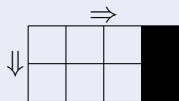
Challenge-Response RFID Scheme



Theorem

Assuming that F is a pseudorandom function, this RFID scheme is

- correct
- secure
- **weak** V07-private



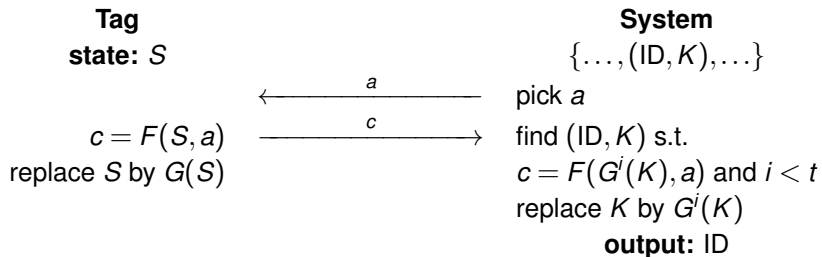
no forward privacy: trace tag by corrupting it in the future

Caveat: Not Even Narrow-Forward Private

| | | |
|--|---|--|
| 1: CreateTag(0), CreateTag(1) | } | create two tags, draw one at random, and run the protocol to get a, b, c |
| 2: $vtag \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(0 \text{ or } 1)$ | | |
| 3: $(a, b, c) \leftarrow \text{Execute}(vtag)$ | | |
| 4: Free($vtag$) | } | corrupt tag 0 to get K |
| 5: $vtag_0 \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(0)$ | | |
| 6: $K \leftarrow \text{Corrupt}(vtag_0)$ | } | test if $F_K(a, b) = c$ |
| 7: if $F_K(a, b) = c$ then | | |
| 8: $x \leftarrow 0$ | | |
| 9: else | | |
| 10: $x \leftarrow 1$ | | |
| 11: end if | | |
| 12: output $1_{\mathcal{T}(vtag)=x}$ | | |

We have $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] \approx 1$. For any blinder B , $\Pr[\mathcal{A}^B \text{ wins}] = \frac{1}{2}$.
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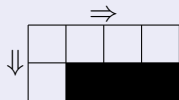
Modified OSK



Theorem

Assuming that F and G are random oracles, this RFID scheme is

- correct
- secure
- **narrow-destructive** V07-private



no privacy with a side channel: DoS [JW 2006]

Caveat: Not Even Weak Private

(Juels-Weis [JW 2006] attack):

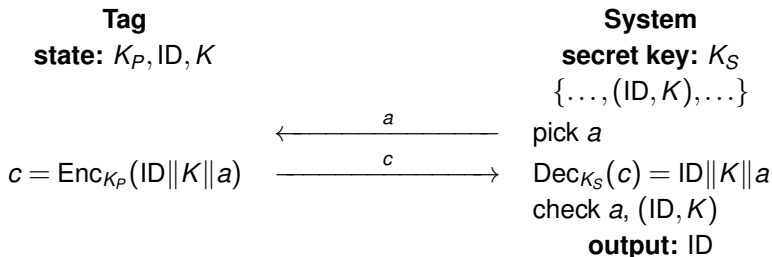
- 1: CreateTag(0), CreateTag(1)
- 2: $vtag_0 \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(0)$
- 3: **for** $i = 1$ to $t + 1$ **do**
- 4: pick a random x
- 5: SendTag($vtag_0, x$)
- 6: **end for**
- 7: Free($vtag_0$)
- 8: $vtag \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(0 \text{ or } 1)$
- 9: $\pi \leftarrow \text{Execute}(vtag)$
- 10: $x \leftarrow \text{Result}(\pi)$
- 11: output $1_{\mathcal{T}(vtag)=x}$

play $t + 1$ times with
tag 0 to desynchronize

draw a tag at ran-
dom, execute, and
see if it is accepted

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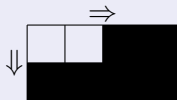
Public-Key-Based RFID Scheme



Theorem

Assuming that Enc/Dec is an IND-CCA public-key cryptosystem, this RFID scheme is

- correct
- secure
- **narrow-strong** and **forward V07-private**



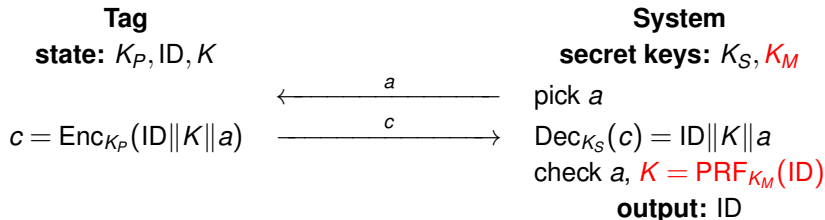
Caveat: Not Destructive Private

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 - 2: $vtag_0 \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(0)$
 - 3: $S_0 \leftarrow \text{Corrupt}(vtag_0)$
 - 4: $(\cdot, S_1) \leftarrow \text{SetupTag}_{K_P}(1)$
 - 5: flip a coin $b \in \{0, 1\}$
 - 6: $\pi \leftarrow \text{Launch}$
 - 7: simulate a tag of state S_b with reader instance π
 - 8: $x \leftarrow \text{Result}(\pi)$
 - 9: **if** $x = b$ **then**
 - 10: output true
 - 11: **else**
 - 12: output false
 - 13: **end if**
- } create two tags
with known keys,
one being genuine
- } check that reader
guessed b

We have $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] \approx 1$.

A blinder who computes x translates into an IND-CPA adversary against the public-key cryptosystem, thus $\Pr[\mathcal{A}^B \text{ wins}] \approx \frac{1}{2}$ for any B . Therefore $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] - \Pr[\mathcal{A}^B \text{ wins}] \approx \frac{1}{2}$.

Scheme with No Database



- SetupTag must now use a secret key K_M
- all the theory remains valid if SetupTag produces keys which are indistinguishable from simulated ones

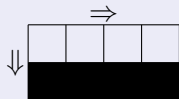
Narrow-Strong Privacy Implies Public-Key Cryptography

Theorem

An RFID scheme that is

- correct
- narrow-strong V07-private

can be transformed into a secure key agreement protocol.



no narrow-strong privacy without public-key crypto!

Proof idea:

- 1 Alice creates two legitimate tags 0 and 1, sends their states to Bob, and simulate the system for Bob
- 2 Bob flips a bit b and simulate tag b to Alice
- 3 Alice identifies b which is an agreed key bit

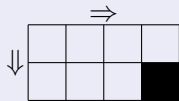
Narrow-Weak Privacy Implies One-Way Function

Theorem

An RFID scheme that is

- correct
- narrow-weak V07-private

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no privacy without any crypto!

Proof idea:

- 1 the function mapping the initial states and random coins to the protocol transcript must be one-way (otherwise compute new states and identify in future sessions)

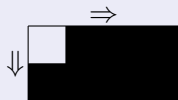
Strong Privacy is Infeasible

Theorem

An RFID scheme cannot be

- *correct*
- *narrow-strong and destructive V07-private*

at the same time.

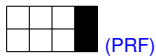


no strong privacy!

Privacy in RFID (V07 Model)

| | corrupt | destructive corrupt | final corrupt | no corrupt |
|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| reader output | impossible | ?? | ⇒ doable with PK-crypto | ⇒ doable with PRF |
| no reader output | ⇒ equiv to PK-crypto | ⇒ doable in ROM | ⇒ | ⇒ equiv to PRF |

● possible:



● impossible:



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Strong Privacy for RFID Systems from Plaintext-Aware Encryption

Khaled Ouafi and Serge Vaudenay

CANS 2012

- new definition of a blinder
- wide-strong privacy using a PA cryptosystem

Impossibility Proof — i

take the following adversary (for destructive privacy)

- 1: $(\cdot, S_0) \leftarrow \text{SetupTag}_{K_P}(0)$
 - 2: $\text{CreateTag}(1)$
 - 3: $\text{vtag} \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(1)$
 - 4: $S_1 \leftarrow \text{Corrupt}(\text{vtag})$ (destroy it)
 - 5: flip a coin $b \in \{0, 1\}$
 - 6: $\pi \leftarrow \text{Launch}$
 - 7: simulate tag of state S_b with π
 - 8: $x \leftarrow \text{Result}(\pi)$
 - 9: output $1_{x=b}$
- } create two tags with known keys, one being genuine
- } simulate one at random
- } check that reader guessed b

destructive privacy $\implies \exists \mathcal{B} \quad \Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] \sim \Pr[\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{B}} \text{ wins}]$

\mathcal{B} gets S_1 , simulate reader interacting with $b = 0$ or 1 and can guess b

Impossibility Proof — ii

take the following adversary (for narrow-strong privacy) defined from \mathcal{B}

- 1: CreateTag(0)
 - 2: CreateTag(1)
 - 3: $vtag_0 \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(0)$
 - 4: $vtag_1 \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(1)$
 - 5: $S_0 \leftarrow \text{Corrupt}(vtag_0)$
 - 6: $S_1 \leftarrow \text{Corrupt}(vtag_1)$
 - 7: Free($vtag_0$)
 - 8: Free($vtag_1$)
 - 9: $vtag \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(0 \text{ or } 1)$
 - 10: $b \leftarrow (\mathcal{B}(K_P, S_1) \leftrightarrow vtag)$
 - 11: output $1_{\mathcal{T}(vtag)=x}$
- create two tags and get their states
- make \mathcal{B} guess vtag

We have $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] \approx 1$.

Any blinder B' must simulate vtag without knowing which one it is, so

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}^{B'} \text{ wins}] = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Therefore $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] - \Pr[\mathcal{A}^{B'} \text{ wins}] \approx \frac{1}{2}$.

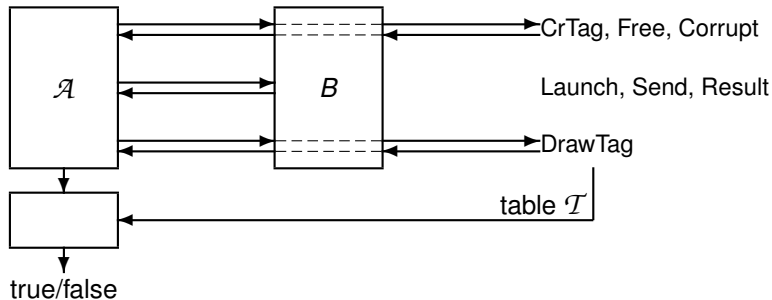
Ng-Susilo-Mu-Safavi-Naini 2008

- not strong private because the adversary asks questions for which he knows the answer but the blinder cannot guess it
- notion of “wise” adversary (cannot ask question for which he knows the answer)

we take a different approach:

we let the blinder be able to read the adversary's thoughts

New Blinders

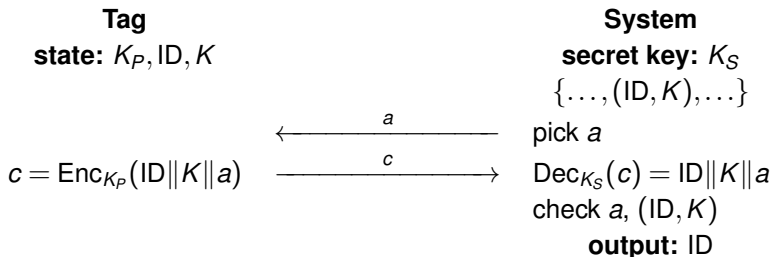


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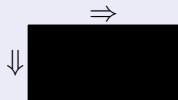
Public-Key-Based RFID Scheme



Theorem

Assuming that Enc/Dec is a PA2+IND-CPA public-key cryptosystem, this RFID scheme is

- correct
- secure
- **strong** OV12-private



PA2 Trick

- PA2 means for all valid ciphertexts from the adversary, either it is reused or the adversary must know the plaintext (Bellare-Palacio 2004)
- know the plaintext \implies blinder can get it by reading his thoughts
- PA2 needed because the blinder must simulate Result by decrypting ciphertexts forged by the adversary (they could be based on corrupted states)

Other Tricky Updates in OV12

- the input distribution for DrawTag is specified by a sampling algorithm Samp
- it must be *inverse-samplable*:
there must exist Samp^{-1} such that

$$(\rho, \text{Samp}(\rho)) \sim (\text{Samp}^{-1}(x), x)$$

- the table \mathcal{T} must be simulatable:
there must exist S such that

$$(\text{View}_{\mathcal{A}}, \mathcal{T}) \sim (\text{View}_{\mathcal{A}}, S(\text{View}_{\mathcal{A}}))$$

IND-CCA is Insufficient?? for OV12 — i

- take (G^0, E^0, D^0) an IND-CCA cryptosystem
- take (G^1, E^1, D^1) a homomorphic IND-CPA cryptosystem over bits [GM84]
- define

$$\text{Gen} \rightarrow ((sk_0, sk_1), (pk_0, pk_1, z)) \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{cases} G^0 \rightarrow (sk_0, pk_0) \\ G^1 \rightarrow (sk_1, pk_1) \\ \xi \in_U \{0, 1\} \\ z = E_{pk_1}^1(\xi) \end{cases}$$
$$\text{Enc}_{(pk_0, pk_1), z}(m_1 \cdots m_n) = E_{pk_0}^0(E_{pk_1}^1(m_1) \| \cdots \| E_{pk_1}^1(m_n))$$
$$\text{Enc}'_{(pk_0, pk_1), z}(m_1 \cdots m_n) = E_{pk_0}^0(z \cdot E_{pk_1}^1(m_1) \| \cdots \| z \cdot E_{pk_1}^1(m_n))$$

where the m_i are bits (note that ξ is only used in z)

- $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ is an IND-CCA cryptosystem
- for $e = \text{Enc}'_{pk}(m)$, we have $\text{Dec}_{sk}(e) = m \oplus (\xi \cdots \xi)$
- not PA: knowing $\text{Dec}_{sk}(e)$ is equivalent to breaking (G^1, E^1, D^1)

IND-CCA is Insufficient?? for OV12 — ii

a wide-destructive adversary:

- 1: CreateTag(0)
- 2: $vtag_0 \leftarrow \text{DrawTag}(0)$
- 3: $S_0 \leftarrow \text{Corrupt}(vtag_0)$
- 4: $\pi \leftarrow \text{Launch}$
- 5: simulate tag 0 to π with Enc'
- 6: output $\text{Result}(\pi)$

$$\text{Result}(\pi) = 1 - \xi$$

due to (G^1, E^1, D^1) security no blinder can make the same output

But a blinder could make the result have the same distribution!?!

Privacy in RFID (OV12 Model)

Privacy with respect to adversarial capabilities:

| | corrupt | final corrupt | no corrupt |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| reader output | doable with PA-crypto | doable with PK-crypto | doable with PRF |
| no reader output | equiv to PK-crypto | doable in ROM | equiv to PRF |

- impossible:



- open:

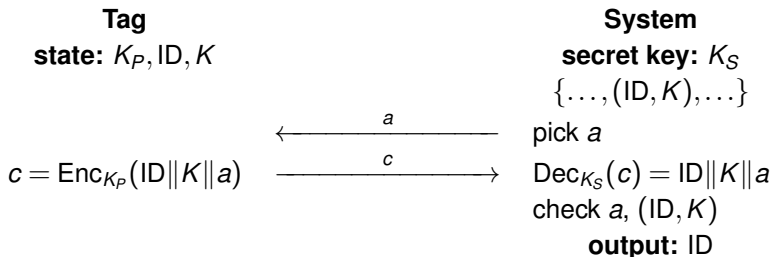


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Modifications

- all tags are genuine
- corruption is done on tag ID (not vtag)
- DrawTag has two tag ID as input (left and right)
- all DrawTag draw the left tag or all DrawTag draw the right tag
- the adversary must guess if it is all-left or all-right
- not allowed to use as input an ID which was used before without releasing the vtag

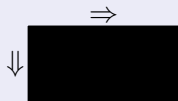
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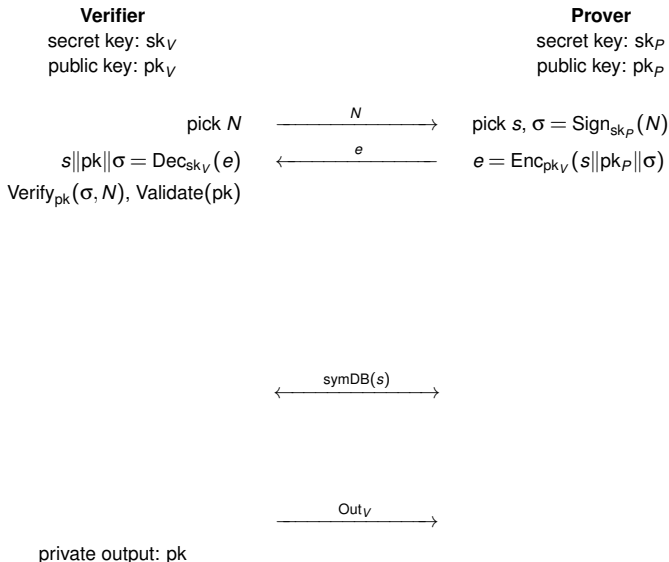
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Identifying vs Authenticating DB

- in previous definition of DB protocols, the verifier has as input the ID of the prover
 - symmetric: he has the secret of the prover
 - public-key: he has the public key of the prover
- to address privacy, we must consider the identification process together with the authentication one
- so, we now assume that the verifier does not have the ID of the prover as input but rather produce it as an output
- verifier needs a key pair



privDB with OTDB

Verifier

secret key: sk_V

public key: pk_V

pick N \xrightarrow{N}

$s \parallel pk \parallel \sigma = \text{Dec}_{sk_V}(e)$ \xleftarrow{e}

$\text{Verify}_{pk}(\sigma, N)$, $\text{Validate}(pk)$

pick $m \in \{0, 1\}^{2n}$ \xrightarrow{m}

$a = s \oplus m$

Prover

secret key: sk_P

public key: pk_P

pick s , $\sigma = \text{Sign}_{sk_P}(N)$

$e = \text{Enc}_{pk_V}(s \parallel pk_P \parallel \sigma)$

$a = s \oplus m$

challenge phase

for $i = 1$ to n

pick $c_i \in \{0, 1\}$

start timer _{i} $\xrightarrow{c_i}$

stop timer _{i} $\xleftarrow{r_i}$

$r_i = a_{2i+c_i-1}$

verification phase

check timer _{i} $\leq 2B$, $r_i = a_{2i+c_i-1}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Out}_V}$

private output: pk

Security of privDB with OTDB

Theorem

If

- *we cannot make a key and a valid signature for two different N*
- *the signature is UF-CMA-secure and*
- *the cryptosystem is IND-CCA-secure,*

then the protocol is

- 1 *DF-secure*
- 2 *MF-secure*
- 3 *DH-secure*
- 4 *wide-strong HPVP11-private*



State of Affair

| protocol | Secure | DF | DH | Sound | Privacy | Strong p. | Efficient |
|-----------------------|--------|-----|----|-------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Brands-Chaum | 😊 | 😊 | 😞 | 😞 | 😞 | 😞 | 😊 |
| DBPK-Log | | !😞! | | !😞! | 😞 | 😞 | 😞 |
| HPO | 😊 | 😊 | 😞 | 😞 | 😊 | 😞 | 😊 |
| GOR | 😊 | 😊 | 😞 | 😞 | !😞! | !😞! | 😞 |
| privDB | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😞 | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 |
| ProProx | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😞 | 😞 | 😞 |
| eProProx | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😞 |
| Eff-pkDB | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😞 | 😞 | 😞 | 😊 |
| Eff-pkDB ^p | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 | 😞 | 😊 | 😊 | 😊 |

ProProx (Variant I, Noiseless)

Verifier
public: pk

pk = Com_H(sk)
(pk_j = Com(sk_j; H(sk, j)))

Prover
secret: sk

initialization phase

for $i = 1$ to n and $j = 1$ to s

(b : a vector of weight $\frac{n}{2}$)

← $A_{i,j}$ →

pick $a_{i,j} \in \mathbf{Z}_2$, $\rho_{i,j}$

$A_{i,j} = \text{Com}(a_{i,j}; \rho_{i,j})$

challenge phase

for $i = 1$ to n and $j = 1$ to s

pick $c_{i,j} \in \mathbf{Z}_2$

start timer _{i,j}

→ $c_{i,j}$ →

receive $c'_{i,j}$

receive $r_{i,j}$, stop timer _{i,j}

← $r'_{i,j}$ ←

$r'_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + c'_{i,j}b_i + c'_{i,j}sk_j$

verification phase

check timer _{i,j} $\leq 2B$

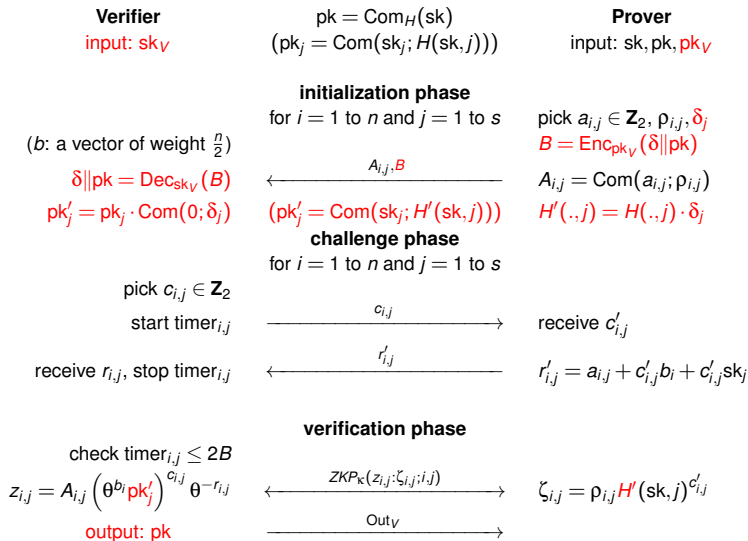
$z_{i,j} = A_{i,j} (\theta^{b_i} pk_j)^{c_{i,j}} \theta^{-r_{i,j}}$

← $ZKP_K(z_{i,j}; \zeta_{i,j}; i, j)$ ←

$\zeta_{i,j} = \rho_{i,j} H(sk, j)^{c'_{i,j}}$

→ Out_V →

eProProx (Variant I, Noiseless)



Privacy in eProProx

Theorem

If

- *Com is a computationally hiding and homomorphic bit commitment,*
- *Enc/Dec is an IND-CCA-secure cryptosystem,*
- *ZKP_κ is a computationally zero-knowledge proof of membership,*

*then eProProx is **wide-strong HPVP11-private**.*



Conclusion

- complete privacy models with return channel and/or corruption
- simulation-based or left-or-right definition
- wide-strong privacy is possible with PKC
- wide-weak privacy is possible with PRF
- can be added to distance bounding