Mechanizing and Automating Cryptographic Arguments ProTeCS: Proofs and Proof Techniques for Cryptographic Security

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### Context

#### **Security Protocols**

- Distributed programs which aim at providing some security properties.
- Uses cryptographic primitives: e.g. encryption.



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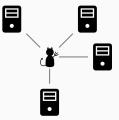


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These are **critical** cryptographic designs under a lot of **public scrutiny**. ⇒ for such cryptographic designs, **manual proofs are insufficient**.

#### Verification for Cryptography Formal mathematical proof of security protocols:



- Machine-checked proofs yield a high degree of confidence.
  - **general-purpose** tools (e.g. COQ and LEAN).
  - in security protocol analysis, mostly **dedicated** tools.
    - E.g. CRYPTOVERIF, EASYCRYPT, SQUIRREL.

#### Goal

Design formal frameworks allowing for mechanized verification of cryptographic arguments.

- At the intersection of **cryptography** and **verification**.
- Particular verification challenges:
  - small or medium-sized programs
  - complex properties
  - probabilistic programs + arbitrary (resource-bounded) adversary

# Mechanizing Cryptographic Proofs

#### Verification

$$\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}. \ (\mathcal{F} \parallel \mathcal{P}) \models \Phi$$

Requires a formal framework and a tool that can express:

- $\mathcal{P}$ : the **protocol** under study.
- $\mathcal{J} \in \mathcal{C}$ : the adversarial model, i.e. the class of adversaries.
- Φ: the security property.
- ⊨: the cryptographic arguments.

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		+ expressive logics	+ temporal logic
		+ can target	+ higher-level rules
		implementations	+ (usually) shorter proofs

Tool for the verification of security protocols:

- **Input language**: applied  $\pi$ -calculus.
- Implements a CCSA probabilistic logic:
  - **Reachability** properties:  $[\phi_{\mathcal{G}}]$
  - **Indistinguishability** properties:  $\vec{u}_{\mathcal{G}} \sim \vec{u}_{\mathcal{G}'}$
  - In the asymptotic security setting. E.g.

$$\vec{u}_{\mathcal{G}} \sim \vec{u}_{\mathcal{G}'} \iff \\ \forall_{\mathcal{G}} \in \mathcal{C}. |\Pr(\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{C})) - \Pr(\mathcal{G}'(\mathcal{C}))| \le \epsilon_{\mathsf{nerf}}$$



Reasoning rules valid w.r.t. any computational attacker .

#### Proof assistant:

- Users prove goals using sequences of tactics.
  - Generic maths. tactics, e.g. apply, rewrite.
  - **Crypto.** tactics, e.g. cpa.
  - **Probabilistic** tactics, e.g. fresh.
  - **Structural** tactics, e.g. trans.



Development done using a proof-general mode.
 As in Coq, EASYCRYPT ...



### **Open-source tool**

Project web-page:

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https://squirrel-prover.github.io/
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Documentation web-page:

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# Mechanizing Cryptographic Proofs The CCSA Framework

Our formal framework must model and capture:

- $\mathcal{P}$ : protocol
- $\mathbf{a}^* \in \mathcal{C}$ : adversarial model
- Φ: security property
- ⊨: cryptographic arguments

### Limitations: what is not in this talk

# • $\mathcal{C}$ : adversarial model

- in this talk: only **classical** adversaries, i.e. C = PPTM.
- **quantum** adversaries (i.e. C = PQTM) are *work-in-progress*.

#### Φ: security property

- in this talk: **asymptotic** security.
- there exists a concrete security version of the logic [CSF'24] (on paper, not implemented)

#### ■ ⊨: cryptographic arguments

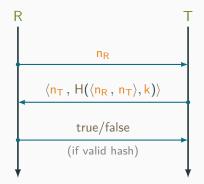
- standard game-based proofs.
- other techniques may be out-of-scope:
   UC, rewinding, GGM, ...
- mechanizing crypto. proofs takes time: your favorite, complicated, crypto. designs may be difficult to formalize.

# $\forall \mathbf{J}^* \in \mathcal{C}. \quad (\mathbf{J}^* \parallel \mathcal{P}) \models \Phi$

- Protocol *P*: a concrete concurrent program.
   In SQUIRREL, described in the applied π-calculus.
- Adversarial model ♣ ∈ C: an abstract (i.e. unknown) PPTM program.
- Full system = interaction ( $\mathcal{F} || \mathcal{P}$ ).

### A simple example

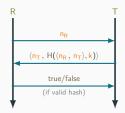
- Two party authentication protocol: reader  $R \iff RFID$  tag T.
- Keyed-hash function H with a shared key k.



## The Hash-Lock Protocol

#### In the **applied** $\pi$ -calculus:

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T(i) : input(in).
                   \nu n_{T,i}.
                   let h = H((in, n_{T,i}), k) in
                   let out = \langle n_{T,i}, h \rangle in
Hash-Lock
                   output(out)
          R(j) : \nu n_{R,j}
                   output(n_{R,i}).
                   input(in).
                   output(\pi_2(in) = H(\langle n_{R,i}, \pi_1(in) \rangle, k))
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How do we model the interaction ( $\mathcal{F} || \mathcal{P}$ ) in a **pure language**?  $\implies$  remove all **stateful** effects:

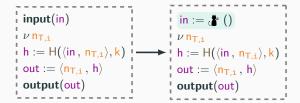
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- random samplings.

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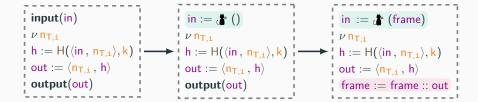


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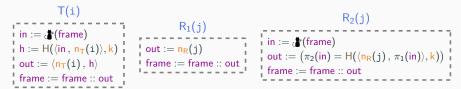
#### **Probabilistic effects**

- Move to an early-sampling semantics with indexed names:
  - **•** name  $n_T$  is an array of **i.i.d. random samplings**.
  - random sampling  $\nu n_{T,i} \implies \text{array access } n_T(i)$ .

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I/O block T(i):
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$$\begin{array}{l} \text{in} := \langle \mathbf{k}^{\bullet}(\text{frame}) \\ \nu \, n_{\mathsf{T}, \mathbf{i}} \\ \text{h} := H(\langle \text{in}, \, n_{\mathsf{T}, \mathbf{i}} \rangle, \mathbf{k}) \\ \text{out} := \langle n_{\mathsf{T}, \mathbf{i}} , \, \mathbf{h} \rangle \\ \text{frame} := \text{frame} :: \text{out} \end{array}$$

## Single I/O blocks:



Many I/O blocks, add the time:

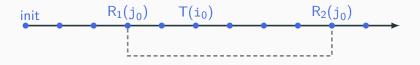
- index: type of session numbers.
- timestamp: type of time-points in an execution trace.

 $\tau ::= init | T(i) | R_1(i) | R_2(i) \qquad (where i: index)$ 

## Modeling: Execution Trace

**Execution trace**: timestamp + order <.

Example:



Protocol execution encoded by mutually recursive functions:

- in  $@\tau$ : input at time  $\tau$
- out@ $\tau$ : output at time  $\tau$
- frame@ $\tau$ :  $\mathcal{F}$ 's knowledge at time  $\tau$ , i.e. all out@ $\tau_0$  for  $\tau_0 \leq \tau$ .

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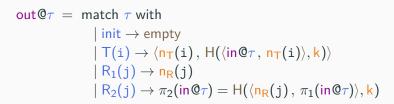
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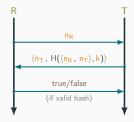
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The **semantics [***t***]** uses **discrete random variables**, not **distributions**!

Shared source of randomness : set of random tapes  $\mathbb{T}$  .

interpretation of term 
$$(t : \tau)$$
  
 $\begin{bmatrix} t \\ \end{bmatrix} : \\ \hline \\ \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} \tau \\ \end{bmatrix}$   
random tapes  $\leftarrow$  interpretation domain, e.g.  
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 $\{0, 1\}^*$  for message  
 $\mathbb{N}$  for int

Allow probabilistic dependencies between terms.

**Examples** ■ If (n, n<sub>0</sub> : message) then:  $[n] \approx \text{ sample } w \text{ in } \{0,1\}^{\eta}$  $[(\mathbf{n},\mathbf{n}_0)] \approx \text{ sample } w \text{ in } \{0,1\}^{\eta}$ sample w' in  $\{0,1\}^{\eta}$  independently build (w, w') $[(\mathbf{n},\mathbf{n})] \approx \text{ sample } w \text{ in } \{0,1\}^{\eta}$ build (w, w)

 $\llbracket (\mathsf{n},\mathsf{n}) \rrbracket = (\llbracket \mathsf{n} \rrbracket, \llbracket \mathsf{n} \rrbracket) = (w, w)$ 

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Machines  $\mathbb{M}_{f}, \mathbb{M}_{n}, \mathbb{M}_{\bullet}$  are deterministic ptime (w.r.t.  $\eta$  + size of the args.)

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For now, "**m** does not occur in t" means t without recursive functions  $+ \mathbf{m} \notin \operatorname{st}(t)$ .

- The logic has a standard semantics,
- but a **particular** interpretation domain.

$$\llbracket t \rrbracket_{\mathbb{M}}^{\eta,\rho} \in \llbracket \tau \rrbracket_{\mathbb{M}} \implies \qquad \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\mathbb{M}} \in \mathbb{RV}_{\mathbb{M}}(\tau)$$

 $\mathbb{RV}_{\mathbb{M}}(\tau)$ :  $\eta$ -families of random-variables over  $\llbracket \tau \rrbracket_{\mathbb{M}}$ .

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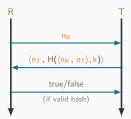
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Authentication for Hash-Lock:

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 \begin{array}{l} (\operatorname{out} \mathbb{Q} \mathbb{R}_{2}(j) = \operatorname{true}) \Rightarrow \\ \exists i : \operatorname{index.} \quad \mathbb{R}_{1}(j) < \mathbb{T}(i) < \mathbb{R}_{2}(j) \\ \land \operatorname{out} \mathbb{Q} \mathbb{R}_{1}(j) = \operatorname{in} \mathbb{Q} \mathbb{T}(i) \\ \land \operatorname{out} \mathbb{Q} \mathbb{T}(i) = \operatorname{in} \mathbb{Q} \mathbb{R}_{2}(j) \end{array}
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Weak privacy for Hash-Lock:

 $\begin{aligned} & \text{frame@pred}(\mathsf{T}(i)), \mathsf{H}(\langle \text{in}@\mathsf{T}(i), \, \mathsf{n}_{\mathsf{T}}(i) \rangle, \mathsf{k}) \\ & \sim \, \text{frame@pred}(\mathsf{T}(i)), \mathsf{n}_{\mathsf{fresh}} \end{aligned}$ 



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Global formulas are Squirrel's ambient logic.

#### Semantics of the global logic

Standard FO semantics but particular interpretation domain  $\mathbb{RV}_{\mathbb{M}}(\tau)$ : •  $\tilde{\forall}(x : \tau)$  means "for all  $\eta$ -family of random variable x over  $[\![\tau]\!]$ "

$$\mathbb{M} \models \tilde{\forall}(x : \tau). F \quad \text{ iff. } \quad \mathbb{M}\{x \mapsto X\} \models F \text{ for all } X \in \mathbb{RV}_{\mathbb{M}}(\tau)$$

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#### $\sim$ is not compositional

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- ⊨: cryptographic arguments

High-level structure of a game-hopping proof:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{G}_0 \sim_{\epsilon_1} \cdots \sim_{\epsilon_n} \mathcal{G}_n & \Rightarrow \\ \mathcal{G}_0 \sim_{\epsilon_1 + \cdots + \epsilon_n} \mathcal{G}_n \end{array}$$

where each step  $\mathcal{G}_i \sim_{\epsilon_{i+1}} \mathcal{G}_{i+1}$  is justified by:

- a cryptographic reduction to some hardness assumption.
- up-to-bad argument  $|\Pr(\mathcal{G}) \Pr(\mathcal{G}')| \le \Pr(\mathsf{bad}).$ 
  - Pr(bad) ≤ ε through a probabilistic argument (e.g. collision probability).
     ...
- bridging steps showing that  $\mathcal{G} \sim_0 \mathcal{G}'$ .

⇒ how to capture these arguments in the logic?

#### **High-level structure**

Basic properties of indistinguishability:

TRANS		Sym	Depr
$\vec{u} \sim \vec{w}$	$\vec{w} \sim \vec{v}$	$\vec{v} \sim \vec{u}$	$\operatorname{Refl}$
<i>ū</i> ~	$\vec{V}$	$\overline{\vec{u} \sim \vec{v}}$	$\vec{u} \sim \vec{u}$

#### **Bridging steps**

Captured by our rewriting rule:

$$\frac{[s=t]}{\vec{u}\{s\}\sim\vec{v}} \operatorname{Rewrite}_{\text{Rewrite}}$$

and generic mathematical reasoning to prove [s = t].

E.g. functional properties can be stated as axioms:  $[\forall m, k. \operatorname{sdec}(\operatorname{senc}(m, k), k) = m]$ 

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Other direction 
$$[\cdot] \Rightarrow (\cdot \sim \cdot)$$
 also exists:  
$$\frac{[\psi] \quad \phi \sim \psi}{[\phi]} \text{ Rewrite-Equiv}$$

enables back-and-forth between both predicates.

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Computing such freshness formulas is non-trivial. Indeed:

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This is undecidable.

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# $\Rightarrow$ FA moves a **deterministic computation** in the **top-level adv**. (or a computation using adversarial randomness)

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 $\Rightarrow$  mostly **book-keeping** rules.

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We are done with our framework!

# The CCSA Logic: Summary

- Logic with a **probabilistic interpretation** of terms: protocol execution ⇒ terms of the logic.
- **Security predicates**  $[\phi]$  and  $\vec{u}_0 \sim \vec{u}_1$ .
  - Abstract predicates: no probabilities and security parameter.
  - Can express temporal properties as formulas [φ]: direct quantification on the execution trace (no encoding).
- Reasoning rules to capture crypto. arguments:
  - generic math. reasoning

probabilistic arguments

game-hopping steps

crypto. reductions

The **application conditions** for crypto. and probabilistic rules are the difficult part.

Two limitations of this CCSA logic:

- guarantees provided: parametric vs polynomial security.
- **modularity**: ad hoc rules for a fixed number of crypto. assumptions.

# A Concrete Security CCSA Logic

with D. Baelde, C. Fontaine, G. Scerri, T. Vignon

We reason over a **fixed trace**  $\mathcal{T}$  given by  $\llbracket \mathsf{timestamp} \rrbracket_{\mathbb{M}}$ .

This only yields **parametric** security. Informally,  $\mathbb{M} \models \Phi$  implies:

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We expect the stronger **polynomial** security:

 $\forall \mathcal{A}$ . Pr( $\Phi$  holds in  $\mathcal{T}$  chosen by  $\mathcal{A}$ ) is overwhelming in  $\eta$ 

## Limitation: Polynomial vs Parametric Security

How to obtain **polynomial security** using CCSA [Bae+24, to appear]:

■ Change the **execution model**.

E.g. frame@N where (N : int) instead of frame@ $\tau$ .

 Difficulty: previous induction rule requires a constant number of steps.

because  $\sum_{i \leq P(\eta)} f_i(\eta)$  is not always negligible, even if  $f_i(\eta)$  negligible  $\forall i$  and  $P(\eta)$  polynomial.

- Solution: move to a **concrete security** setting.
  - concrete security predicates  $[\phi]_{\epsilon}$  and  $\vec{u}_0 \sim_{\epsilon} \vec{u}_1$ .
  - reasoning rules with explicit bounds.
  - support general induction:

user must prove a uniform bound on all  $f_i$ 's.

■ For now, theoretical work (implementation in SQUIRREL is WIP).

# From Hardness Assumptions to Logical Rules

with D. Baelde, J. Sauvage

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- black-box call:  $s \leftarrow \mathfrak{F}(h_0, h_1)$ ;
- compute *m*;
- return  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{challenge}}(m, s)$ .

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- black-box call:  $s \leftarrow \mathfrak{F}(h_0, h_1)$ ;
- compute *m*;
- return  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{challenge}}(m, s)$ .

 $\mathsf{Adv}_{\mathsf{UF}}(\mathbf{1}) = \mathsf{Adv}(\mathbf{1})$   $\mathbf{1} \in \operatorname{PPTM}$  implies  $\mathbf{1} \in \operatorname{PPTM}$ 

Remark: rule valid only if *m* computable by the adversary.

Until recently:

- SQUIRREL supported a limited set of hardness assumptions (symmetric/asymmetric encryption, signature, hash, DH, ...)
- Built-in tactics for each such assumptions:

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hardness assumption (imperative, stateful programs)
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reasoning rules (pure, logic)
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 Adding rules for new hardness assumptions is: tedious, error-prone, and not in user-space (Ocaml code).

# From Hardness Assumptions to Logical Rules

**Systematic cryptographic reductions:** allows to translate hardness assumptions into cryptographic rules.

Inputs:

- an (imperative, stateful) hardness assumption  $\mathcal{G}_0 \approx \mathcal{G}_1$ .
- **a** an **indistinguishability property**, e.g.  $u_0 \sim u_1$  to prove, i.e.:

$$\forall \texttt{I}^{*}. \ \left| \mathsf{Pr}(\texttt{I}^{*}(\llbracket u_{0} \rrbracket)) - \mathsf{Pr}(\texttt{I}^{*}(\llbracket u_{1} \rrbracket)) \right| \leq \mathsf{negl}(\eta)$$

**Goal:** synthesize S poly-time such that  $\begin{cases} S^{\mathcal{G}_0}() = \llbracket u_0 \rrbracket\\ \text{and } S^{\mathcal{G}_1}() = \llbracket u_1 \rrbracket \end{cases}$ 

Thus, for any 🐣:

$$\mathsf{Adv}_{u_0 \sim u_1}(\mathcal{F}) = \mathsf{Adv}_{\mathcal{G}_0 \approx \mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{F} \circ \mathcal{S}) \le \mathsf{negl}(\eta)$$

- General framework to add new hardness assumptions.
- **Proof system** to establish the existence of S.
- Fully automated implementation (heuristic based ⇒ incomplete)

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**Inference Rule** 

$$\frac{\emptyset \rhd_{\mathcal{G}_0 \approx \mathcal{G}_1} \#(u_0; u_1)}{u_0 \sim u_1} \text{ BI-DEDUCE}$$

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(where  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathsf{lib}} \cup \mathcal{F}_{\mathsf{adv}}$ )

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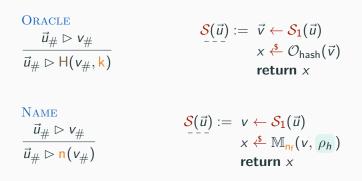
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- **Problem:** *S* should not access the game secret keys.
- Solution: track randomness usage using logical constraints.
   E.g. ensures that S does not directly use key.
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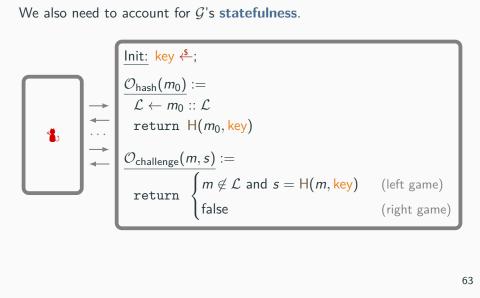
 $(n, i, \phi : T)$ 

Some weird constraints must be avoided, e.g.:

$$(n, n = 0, T_S) \land (n, n \neq 0, T_G)$$

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Modified proof-system:

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**Framework** to add new hardness assumptions using **bi-deduction**.

- Proof system for bi-deduction.
  - Correct randomness usage using logical constraints.
     E.g. ensures that *S* does not directly use k.
  - Tracking the state of *G*: Hoare pre- and post-conditions. E.g. track the set of hashed messages *L*.
  - Soundness: existence of a suitable **probabilistic coupling**.

■ Implementation: fully automated (heuristic based ⇒ incomplete). Approximate *G* state + randomness constraints (discharged to SQUIRREL).

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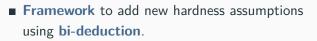
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## Cryptographic reasoning

Reduction to hardness assumptions using specific rules. E.g. for  $\ensuremath{\mathrm{PRF}}$ :

 $\frac{\text{PRF}}{\vec{u}, H(t, k) \sim \vec{u}, \text{if } \phi_{\text{hash}}^{\text{k}, t}(\vec{u}, t)} \text{ then } n_{\text{fresh}} \text{ else } H(t, k)$ 

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# **Example:** messages hashed by k in $\mathcal{F}(\text{frame}@\tau_0)$ :

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Thus, we can take:

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Concludes using generic maths. reasoning + twice INDEP to show:

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