

A Formal Analysis of Authentication in the TPM

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TPM - What is it?

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- more than **200 millions** currently in existence (mostly in laptops)
→ already used by some applications (*e.g.* Disk encryption)
- specified by the Trusted Computing Group
→ more than **700 pages** of specification

<http://www.trustedcomputinggroup.org>

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TPM contains also some **internal memory slots** called PCRs.

Platform measurement and reporting: A platform can create reports of its **integrity** and configuration state that can be relied on by a remote verifier.
→ used to ensure that a PC is in a particular configuration before starting an application.

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Analysis (with the ProVerif tool)

- we rediscover some known attacks and new variations of them
- we propose some fixes

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TPM key hierarchy

Cryptographic key

Keys are arranged in a **tree** structure and stored in the TPM memory
→ Storage Root Key created by a special command

Authdata

To each TPM object or resource (*e.g.* keys) is associated an **authdata** value

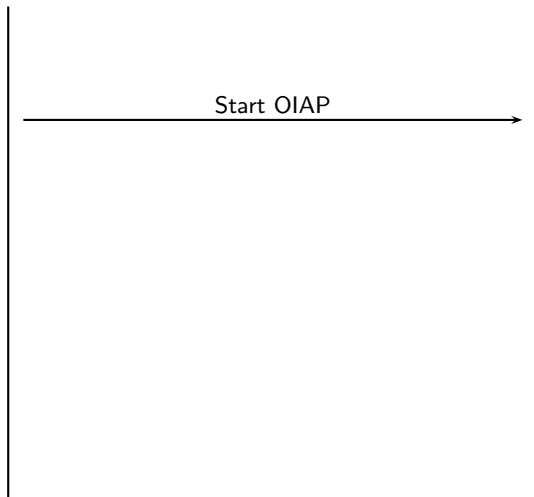
- A shared secret between the user process and the TPM
→ a **password** that has to be cited to use the object or resource
- authdata is 20 bytes (160 bits)

The TPM provides two kinds of **authorisation sessions**:

- 1 **Object Independent Authorisation Protocol (OIAP)**
→ can manipulate any objects, but works only for certain commands
- 2 **Object Specific Authorisation Protocol (OSAP)**
→ it manipulates a specific object specified when the session is set up

USER

TPM



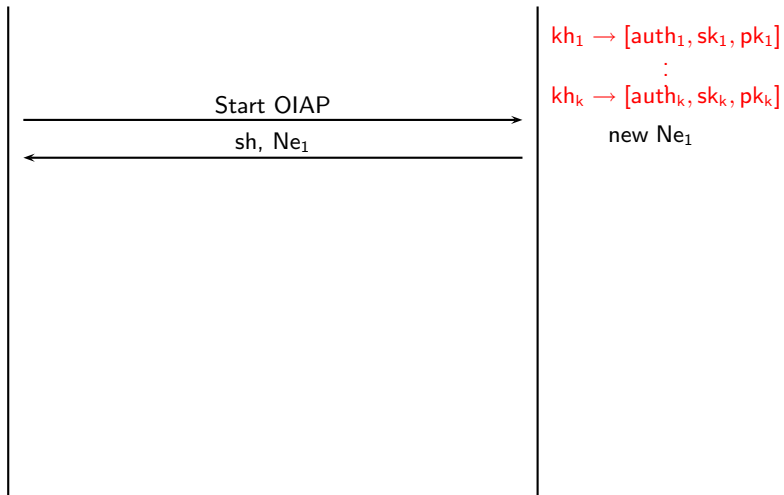
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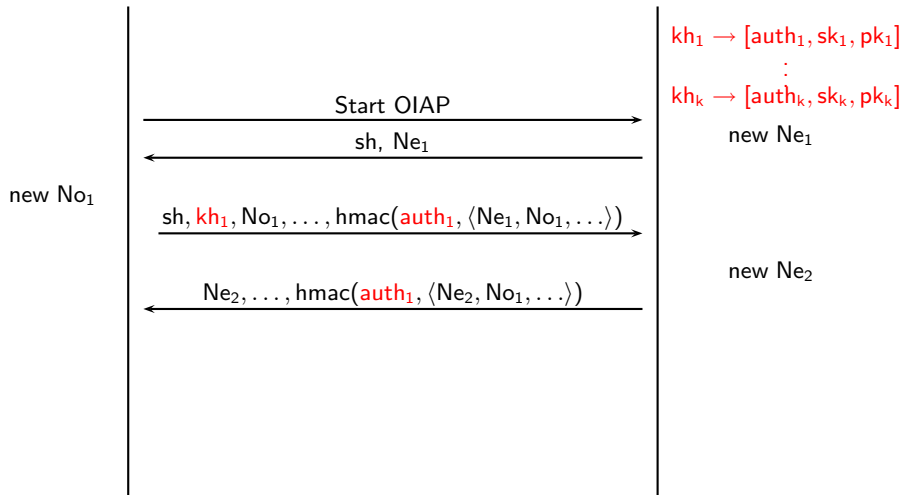
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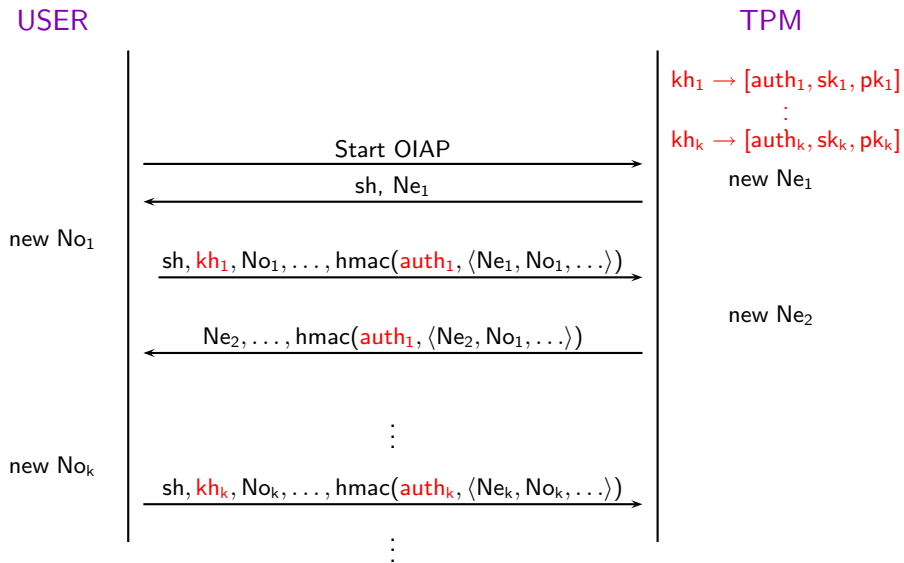
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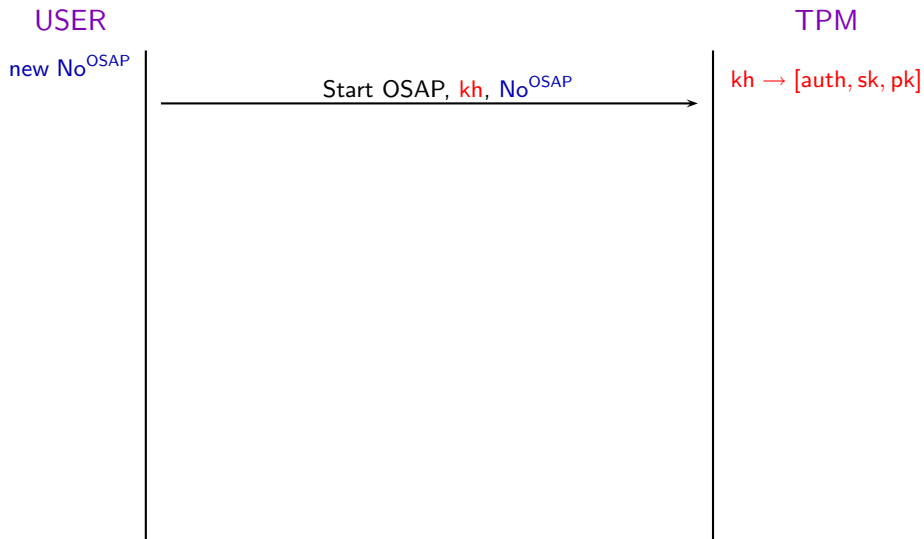


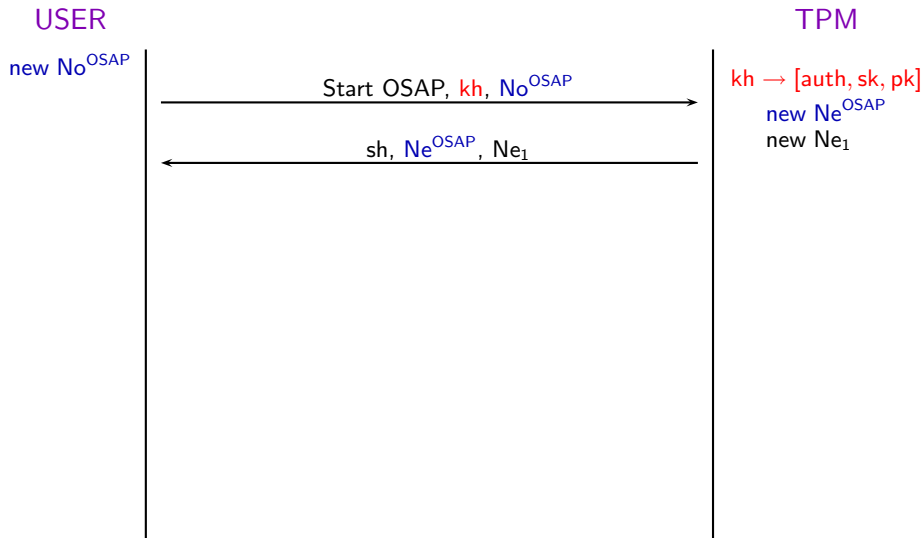
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Start OSAP, kh , No^{OSAP}

sh , Ne^{OSAP} , Ne_1

Computation of the OSAP shared secret

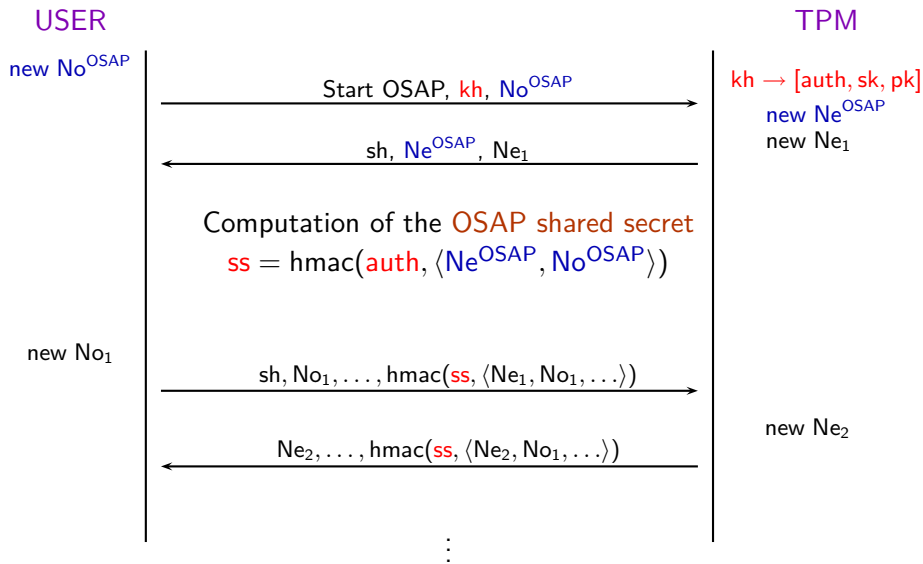
$$ss = \text{hmac}(\text{auth}, \langle Ne^{OSAP}, No^{OSAP} \rangle)$$

TPM

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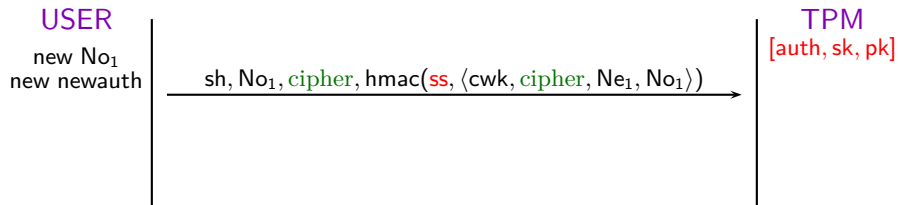


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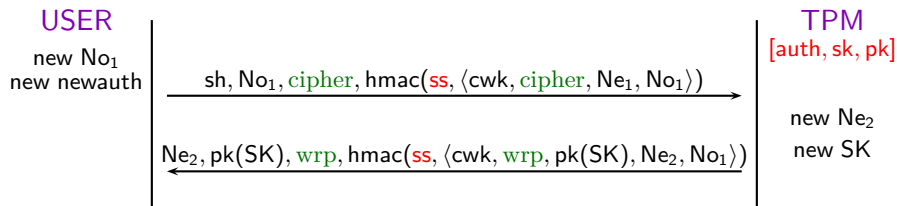
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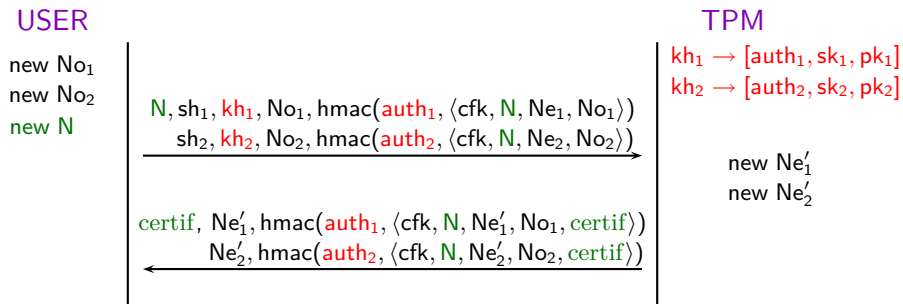
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- **certif** = cert(pk₂, sk₁)

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The ProVerif tool (B. Blanchet)

Available on line:

<http://www.proverif.ens.fr/>

Input: processes written in applied pi calculus

Characteristics

- **unbounded** number of sessions
- primitives given by an **equational theory**
- **security properties:** (strong) secrecy, **correspondence properties**, equivalence properties
- sound but not complete
→ sometimes, the tool reports some false attacks

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→ **false attacks** based on the hypothesis that the attacker knows `handle(auth1, sk)` and `handle(auth2, sk)`.

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{getAuth}(\text{handle}(\text{auth}, \text{seed})) &= \text{auth} \\ \text{getSK}(\text{handle}(\text{auth}, \text{seed})) &= \text{hsk}(\text{auth}, \text{seed}) \end{aligned}$$

Two processes for each command:

- a **USER** process models a **honest** user who makes a call to the TPM
- a **TPM** process models the TPM itself

→ the attacker schedules honest user actions

Security Properties

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Our interpretation:

- **authentication of user commands**
→ intuitively ensured by the authorisation hmacs
 - **authentication of the TPM**
→ intuitively ensured by the hmacs returned by the TPM
- We formalise these as correspondance properties

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→ We propose a fix version of each of this command

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Configuration 2: $[\text{auth}_1, \text{sk}_1, \text{pk}_1]$, $[\text{auth}_2, \text{sk}_2, \text{pk}_2]$, $[\text{auth}_2, \text{sk}'_2, \text{pk}'_2]$

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→ the two correspondence properties now hold on [Configuration 2](#)

CerifyKey command (3)

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Conclusion

- We formalise 4 commands of the TPM and their security properties
→ **injective agreement** properties as correspondence properties
- Analysis with the **ProVerif** tool
→ we rediscovered some attacks
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We foresee **extending** our model to deal with:

- Key migration commands;
- Platform Configuration Registers (**PCRs**);
- ...