

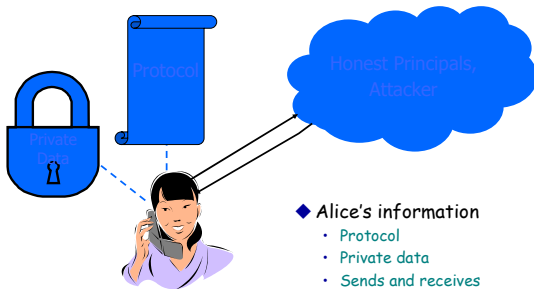
Protocol Composition Logic

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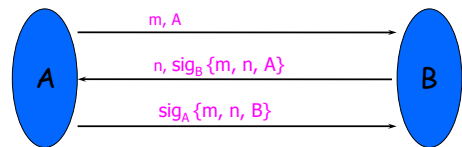
Intuition

- ◆ Reason about local information
 - I chose a new number
 - I sent it out encrypted
 - I received it decrypted
 - Therefore: someone decrypted it
- ◆ Incorporate knowledge about protocol
 - Protocol: Server only answers if sent a request
 - If *server not corrupt* and
 - I receive an answer from the server, then
 - the server must have received a request

Intuition: Picture



Example: Challenge-Response



- ◆ Alice reasons: if Bob is honest, then:
 - only Bob can generate his signature. [protocol independent]
 - if Bob generates a signature of the form $\text{sig}_B\{m, n, A\}$,
 - he sends it as part of msg2 of the protocol and
 - he must have received msg1 from Alice [protocol dependent]
 - Alice deduces: $\text{Received}(B, \text{msg1}) \wedge \text{Sent}(B, \text{msg2})$

Formalizing the Approach

- ◆ Language for protocol description
 - Write program for each role of protocol
- ◆ Protocol logic
 - State security properties
 - Specialized form of temporal logic
- ◆ Proof system
 - Formally prove security properties
 - Supports modular proofs

Cords

- ◆ Protocol programming language
 - Server = [receive x; new n; send {x, n}]
- ◆ Building blocks
 - Terms
 - names, nonces, keys, encryption, ...
 - Actions
 - send, receive, pattern match, ...

Terms

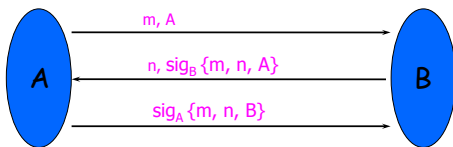
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|---------------------|---------------|
| $t ::= c$ | constant term |
| x | variable |
| N | name |
| K | key |
| t, t | tupling |
| $\text{sig}_k\{t\}$ | signature |
| $\text{enc}_k\{t\}$ | encryption |

Example: $x, \text{sig}_B\{m, x, A\}$ is a term

Actions and Cords

- ◆ **Actions**
 - $\text{send } t;$ send a term t
 - $\text{receive } x;$ receive a term into variable x
 - $\text{match } t/p(x);$ match term t against $p(x)$
- ◆ **Cord**
 - Sequence of actions
- ◆ **Notation**
 - Some match actions are omitted in slides
 $\text{receive sig}_B\{A, n\}$ means
 $\text{receive } x; \text{match } x/\text{sig}_B\{A, n\}$

Challenge-Response as Cords



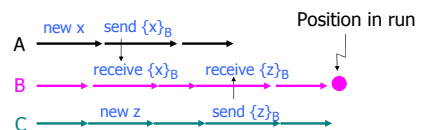
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Execution Model

- ◆ **Protocol**
 - Cord gives program for each protocol role
- ◆ **Initial configuration**
 - Set of principals and keys
 - Assignment of ≥ 1 role to each principal
- ◆ **Run**



Formulas true at a position in run

- ◆ **Action formulas**
 - $a ::= \text{Send}(P, m) \mid \text{Receive}(P, m) \mid \text{New}(P, t)$
 $\mid \text{Decrypt}(P, t) \mid \text{Verify}(P, t)$
- ◆ **Formulas**
 - $\varphi ::= a \mid \text{Has}(P, t) \mid \text{Fresh}(P, t) \mid \text{Honest}(N)$
 $\mid \text{Contains}(t_1, t_2) \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \mid \exists x \varphi$
 $\mid \bigcirc\varphi \mid \diamond\varphi$
- ◆ **Example**
 - $\text{After}(a, b) = \diamond(b \wedge \bigcirc\diamond a)$

Modal Formulas

- ◆ **After actions, postcondition**
 - $[\text{actions}]_P \varphi$ where $P = (\text{princ}, \text{role id})$
- ◆ **Before/after assertions**
 - $\varphi [\text{actions}]_P \psi$
- ◆ **Composition rule**
 - $$\frac{\varphi [S]_P \psi \quad \psi [T]_P \theta}{\varphi [ST]_P \theta}$$

Note: same P
in all formulas

Security Properties

◆ Authentication for Initiator

$$CR \models [\text{InitCR}(A, B)]_A \text{Honest}(B) \supset$$

$$\text{ActionsInOrder}(\text{Send}(A, \{A, B, m\}),$$

$$\text{Receive}(B, \{A, B, m\}),$$

$$\text{Send}(B, \{B, A, \{n, \text{sig}_B\{m, n, A\}\}\}),$$

$$\text{Receive}(A, \{B, A, \{n, \text{sig}_B\{m, n, A\}\}\}))$$

◆ Shared secret

$$NS \models [\text{InitNS}(A, B)]_A \text{Honest}(B) \supset$$

$$(\text{Has}(X, m) \supset X=A \wedge X=B)$$

Semantics

◆ Protocol Q

- Defines set of roles (e.g, initiator, responder)
- Run R of Q is sequence of actions by principals following roles, plus attacker

◆ Satisfaction

- $Q, R \models [\text{actions}]_P \phi$
Some role of P in R does exactly *actions* and ϕ is true in state after *actions* completed
- $Q \models [\text{actions}]_P \phi$
 $Q, R \models [\text{actions}]_P \phi$ for all runs R of Q

Proof System

◆ Goal: prove properties formally

◆ Axioms

- Simple formulas provable by hand

◆ Inference rules

- Proof steps

◆ Theorem

- Formula obtained from axioms by application of inference rules

Sample axioms about actions

◆ New data

- $[\text{new } x]_P \text{Has}(P, x)$
- $[\text{new } x]_P \text{Has}(Y, x) \supset Y=P$

◆ Actions

- $[\text{send } m]_P \diamond \text{Send}(P, m)$

◆ Knowledge

- $[\text{receive } m]_P \text{Has}(P, m)$

◆ Verify

- $[\text{match } x/\text{sig}_X\{m\}]_P \diamond \text{Verify}(P, m)$

Reasoning about knowledge

◆ Pairing

- $\text{Has}(X, \{m, n\}) \supset \text{Has}(X, m) \wedge \text{Has}(X, n)$

◆ Encryption

- $\text{Has}(X, \text{enc}_K(m)) \wedge \text{Has}(X, K^{-1}) \supset \text{Has}(X, m)$

Encryption and signature

◆ Public key encryption

$$\text{Honest}(X) \wedge \diamond \text{Decrypt}(Y, \text{enc}_X\{m\}) \supset X=Y$$

◆ Signature

$$\text{Honest}(X) \wedge \diamond \text{Verify}(Y, \text{sig}_X\{m\}) \supset$$

$$\exists m' (\diamond \text{Send}(X, m') \wedge \text{Contains}(m', \text{sig}_X\{m\}))$$

Sample inference rules

◆ Preservation rules

$$\frac{\psi [\text{actions}]_p \text{Has}(X, t)}{\psi [\text{actions}; \text{action}]_p \text{Has}(X, t)}$$

◆ Generic rules

$$\frac{\psi [\text{actions}]_p \phi \quad \psi [\text{actions}]_p \varphi}{\psi [\text{actions}]_p \phi \wedge \varphi}$$

Bidding conventions (motivation)

◆ Blackwood response to 4NT

- 5♣ : 0 or 4 aces
- 5♦ : 1 ace
- 5♥ : 2 aces
- 5♠ : 3 aces

◆ Reasoning

- If my partner is following Blackwood,
then if she bid 5♥, she must have 2 aces

Honesty rule (rule scheme)

\forall roles R of Q. \forall initial segments $A \subseteq R$.

$$\frac{Q \vdash [A]_X \phi}{Q \vdash \text{Honest}(X) \supset \phi}$$

- This is a finitary rule:
 - Typical protocol has 2-3 roles
 - Typical role has 1-3 receives
 - Only need to consider A waiting to receive

Honesty rule (example use)

\forall roles R of Q. \forall initial segments $A \subseteq R$.

$$\frac{Q \vdash [A]_X \phi}{Q \vdash \text{Honest}(X) \supset \phi}$$

- Example use:
 - If Y receives a message from X, and
 $\text{Honest}(X) \supset (\text{Sent}(X,m) \supset \text{Received}(X,m))$
then Y can conclude
 $\text{Honest}(X) \supset \text{Received}(X,m)$

Correctness of CR

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| <pre>InitCR(A, X) = [new m; send A, X, {m, A}; receive X, A, {x, sig_X{m, x, A}}; send A, X, sig_A{m, x, X};]</pre> | <pre>RespCR(B) = [receive Y, B, {y, Y}; new n; send B, Y, {n, sig_B{y, n, Y}}; receive Y, B, sig_Y{y, n, B};]</pre> |
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$$CR \vdash [\text{InitCR}(A, B)]_A \text{Honest}(B) \supset \text{ActionsInOrder}(\text{Send}(A, \{A, B, m\}), \text{Receive}(B, \{A, B, m\}), \text{Send}(B, \{B, A, \{n, \text{sig}_B\{m, n, A\}\}), \text{Receive}(A, \{B, A, \{n, \text{sig}_B\{m, n, A\}\}))$$

Correctness of CR - step 1

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1. A reasons about it's own actions

$$CR \vdash [\text{InitCR}(A, B)]_A \diamond \text{Verify}(A, \text{sig}_B\{m, n, A\})$$

Correctness of CR - step 2

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InitCR(A, X) = [
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  send A, X, {m, A};
  receive X, A, {x, sig_x{m, x, A}};
  send A, X, sig_A{m, x, X};
]

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  receive Y, B, {y, Y};
  new n;
  send B, Y, {n, sig_B{y, n, Y}};
  receive Y, B, sig_Y{y, n, B};
]

```

2. Properties of signatures

$CR \vdash [\text{InitCR}(A, B)]_A \text{Honest}(B) \supset$
 $\exists m' (\diamond \text{Send}(B, m') \wedge \text{Contains}(m', \text{sig}_B\{m, n, A\}))$

Correctness of CR - Honesty

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  receive Y, B, sig_Y{y, n, B};
]

```

Honesty invariant

$CR \vdash \text{Honest}(X) \wedge$
 $\diamond \text{Send}(X, m') \wedge \text{Contains}(m', \text{sig}_x\{y, x, Y\}) \wedge \neg \diamond \text{New}(X, y) \supset$
 $m = X, Y, \{x, \text{sig}_x\{y, x, Y\}\} \wedge \diamond \text{Receive}(X, \{Y, X, \{y, Y\}\})$

Correctness of CR - step 3

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  send B, Y, {n, sig_B{y, n, Y}};
  receive Y, B, sig_Y{y, n, B};
]

```

3. Use Honesty rule

$CR \vdash [\text{InitCR}(A, B)]_A \text{Honest}(B) \supset$
 $\diamond \text{Receive}(B, \{A, B, m\}),$

Correctness of CR - step 4

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  receive X, A, {x, sig_x{m, x, A}};
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]

RespCR(B) = [
  receive Y, B, {y, Y};
  new n;
  send B, Y, {n, sig_B{y, n, Y}};
  receive Y, B, sig_Y{y, n, B};
]

```

4. Use properties of nonces for temporal ordering

$CR \vdash [\text{InitCR}(A, B)]_A \text{Honest}(B) \supset \text{Auth}$

Complete proof

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|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AM1 | $(A \ B \ n) \vdash_{\text{ax}} \text{Has}(A, A, n) \wedge \text{Has}(A, B, n)$ |
| ANB | $\{0\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} \text{Fresh}(A, m, n)$ |
| AA1 | $\{(A, B, m)\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} \diamond \text{Send}(A, \{A, B, m\}, m)$ |
| AA1 | $\{(B, A, n, \{m, n, A\})\} \vdash_{\text{ax}}$ $\diamond \text{Receive}(A, \{B, A, n, \{m, n, A\}\}, n)$ |
| AA1 | $\{(\{m, n, A\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} \{m, n, A\})\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} \diamond \text{Verify}(A, \{m, n, A\}, n)$ |
| AA1 | $\{(A, B, \{m, n, A\})\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} \diamond \text{Send}(A, \{A, B, \{m, n, A\}\}, 0)$ |
| AA1 | $(A \ B \ n) \vdash_{\text{ax}} \{(A, B, m)\} \wedge \{(x/B, A, n, \{m, n, A\})\}$ |
| AF1, AF2 | $\{(\{m, n, A\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} \{m, n, A\})\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} \text{ActionOrder}(\text{Send}(A, \{A, B, m\}, m), \text{Receive}(A, \{B, A, n, \{m, n, A\}\}, n), \text{Send}(A, \{A, B, \{m, n, A\}\}, 0))$ |
| N1 | $\diamond \text{New}(A, m, n) \supset \diamond \text{New}(B, m, n')$ |
| 5, VER | $\text{Honest}(B) \wedge \diamond \text{Verify}(A, \{m, n, A\}, n) \supset$ $\exists m'. \text{Send}(A, \{A, B, m\}, m) \wedge \{(\{m, n, A\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} m')\}$ |
| HON | $\text{Honest}(B) \supset \exists m'. \text{Send}(A, \{A, B, m\}, m) \wedge$ $\{(\{m, n, A\} \vdash_{\text{ax}} m') \wedge \diamond \text{New}(B, m, n')\} \supset$ $(m' = \{B, A, \{n, \{m, n, A\}\}) \wedge \diamond \text{Receive}(B, \{A, B, m\}, n') \wedge$ $\text{ActionOrder}(\text{Receive}(B, \{A, B, m\}, n'), \text{New}(B, m, n'), \text{Send}(B, \{B, A, \{n, \{m, n, A\}\}, n'))$ |
| 2, 3, 11, AF3 | $\text{Honest}(B) \supset \text{Auth}(\text{Send}(A, \{A, B, m\}, m), n')$ |
| 11, AF2 | $\text{Honest}(B) \supset \text{Auth}(\text{Receive}(B, \{A, B, m\}, n'), \text{Send}(B, \{B, A, \{n, \{m, n, A\}\}, n'))$ |
| 11, 4, AF3 | $\text{Honest}(B) \supset \text{Auth}(\text{Send}(B, \{B, A, \{n, \{m, n, A\}\}, n'), \text{Receive}(A, \{B, A, \{n, \{m, n, A\}\}, n))$ |
| 10 - 13, AF2 | $\text{Honest}(B) \supset \exists m'. (\text{ActionOrder}(\text{Send}(A, \{A, B, m\}, m), \text{Receive}(B, \{A, B, m\}, n'), \text{Send}(B, \{B, A, \{n, \{m, n, A\}\}, n'}), \text{Receive}(A, \{B, A, \{n, \{m, n, A\}\}, n'))$ |

Table 8. Deductions of A executing Init role of CR

What does proof tell us?

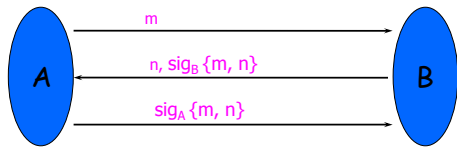
◆ Soundness Theorem:

- If $Q \vdash \phi$ then $Q \models \phi$
- If ϕ is provable about protocol Q , then ϕ is true about protocol Q .

◆ ϕ true in every run of Q

- Dolev-Yao intruder
- Unbounded number of participants

Weak Challenge-Response



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InitWCR(A, X) = [
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  send A, X, {m};
  receive X, A, {x, sig_x{m, x}};
  send A, X, sig_A{m, x};
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RespWCR(B) = [
  receive Y, B, {y};
  new n;
  send B, Y, {n, sig_B{y, n}};
  receive Y, B, sig_y{y, n};
]
    
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Correctness of WCR - step 1

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```

1. A reasons about it's own actions

WCR |- [InitWCR(A, B)]_A
 ◇ Verify(A, sig_B {m, n})

Correctness of WCR - step 2

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2. Properties of signatures

CR |- [InitCR(A, B)]_A Honest(B) ⊃
 ∃ m' (◇ Send(B, m') ∧ Contains(m', sig_B {m, n, A}))

Correctness of WCR - Honesty

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Honesty invariant

CR |- Honest(X) ∧
 ◇ Send(X, m') ∧ Contains(m', sig_x {y, x}) ∧ ¬ ◇ New(X, y) ⊃
 m = X, Z, {x, sig_z {y, x}} ∧ ◇ Receive(X, {Z, X, {y, Z}})

Correctness of WCR - step 3

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```

3. Use Honesty rule

WCR |- [InitWCR(A, B)]_A Honest(B) ⊃
 ◇ Receive(B, {Z, B, m}),

Result

◆ WCR does not have the strong authentication property for the initiator

◆ Counterexample

- Intruder can forge senders and receivers identity in first two messages
- A → X(B) m
- X(C) → B m
- B → X(C) n, sig_B(m, n)
- X(B) → A n, sig_B(m, n)

Extensions

- ◆ Add Diffie-Hellman primitive
 - Can prove authentication and secrecy for key exchange protocols (STS, ISO-9798-3)
- ◆ Add symmetric encryption, hashing
 - Can prove authentication for ISO-9798-2, SKID3

Composition Rules

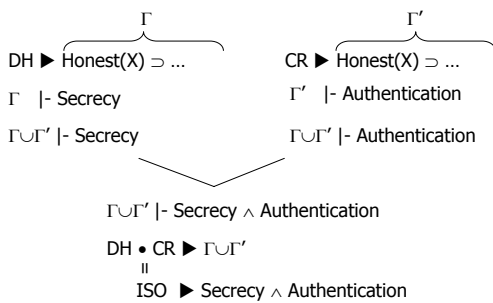
- ◆ Prove assertions from invariants

$$\Gamma \vdash \varphi \dots P \ \psi$$
- ◆ Invariant weakening rule

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \dots P \ \psi}{\Gamma \cup \Gamma' \vdash \varphi \dots P \ \psi} \quad \text{If combining protocols, extend assertions to combined invariants}$$
- ◆ Prove invariants from protocol

$$\frac{Q \triangleright \Gamma \quad Q' \triangleright \Gamma'}{Q \bullet Q' \triangleright \Gamma} \quad \text{Use honesty (invariant) rule to show that both protocols preserve assumed invariants}$$

Combining protocols



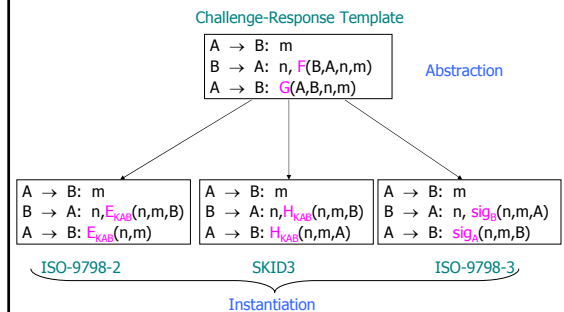
Protocol Templates

- ◆ Protocols with function variables instead of specific operations
 - One template can be instantiated to many protocols
- ◆ Advantages:
 - proof reuse
 - design principles/patterns

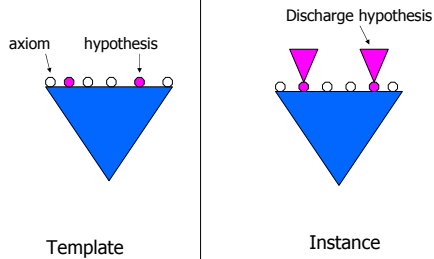
Extending Formalism

- ◆ Language Extension
 - Add function variables to term language for cords and logic (HOL)
- ◆ Semantics
 - $Q \models \varphi \Leftrightarrow \sigma Q \models \sigma \varphi$, for all substitutions σ eliminating all function variables
- ◆ Soundness Theorem
 - Every provable formula is valid

Example



Proof Structure



Modular proof techniques (2)

- ◆ Combining protocol templates
 - If protocol P is a hypotheses-respecting instance of two different templates, then it has the properties of both.
- ◆ Benefits:
 - Modular proofs of properties
 - Formalization of protocol refinements

Refinement Example Revisited

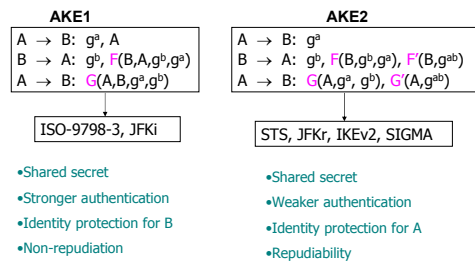
Encrypt Signatures

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A → B:  $g^a, A$ 
B → A:  $g^b, E_K \{ \text{sig}_B \{ g^a, g^b, A \} \}$ 
A → B:  $E_K \{ \text{sig}_A \{ g^a, g^b, B \} \}$ 
    
```

- ◆ Two templates:
 - Template 1: authentication + shared secret
 - (Preserves existing properties; proof reused)
 - Template 2: identity protection (encryption)
 - (Adds new property)

Authenticated key exchange



H. Krawczyk: The Cryptography of the IPsec and IKE Protocols [CRYPTO'03]

Sample projects using this method

- ◆ Key exchange
 - STS family, JFK, IKEv2
 - Diffie-Hellman → MQV
 - GDOI [Meadows, Pavlovic]
- ◆ Work in progress, mostly done
 - SSL verification
 - Wireless 802.11i
- ◆ Implementation of logic
 - Student project, using Isabelle

Symbolic vs Computational model

- ◆ Suppose $\Gamma \vdash [\text{actions}]_X \varphi$
 - If a protocol P satisfies invariants Γ , then if X does actions, φ will be true
- ◆ Symbolic soundness
 - No idealized adversary acting against "perfect" cryptography can make φ fail
- ◆ Computational soundness
 - No probabilistic polytime adversary can make φ fail with nonnegligible probability