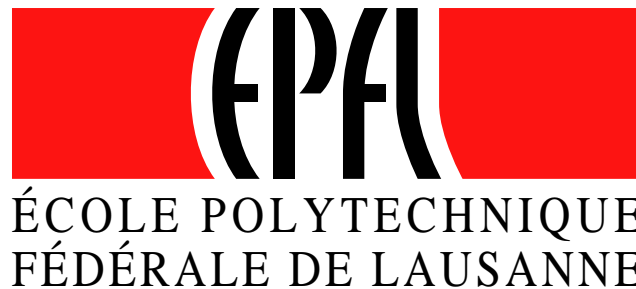


Privacy in RFID

Strong Privacy needs Public-Key Cryptography

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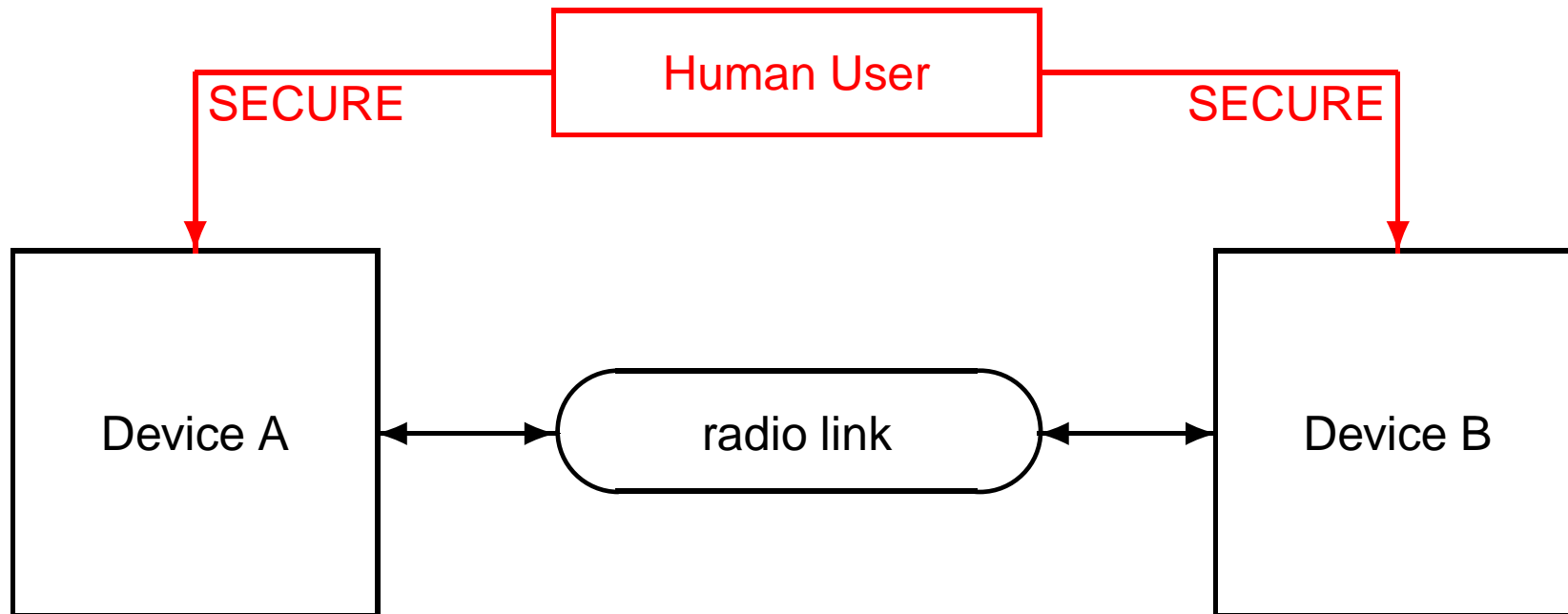
The Bluetooth Principles

- short-range wireless technology
- designed to transmit voice and data
- for a variety of mobile devices (computing, communicating, ...)
- bring together various markets



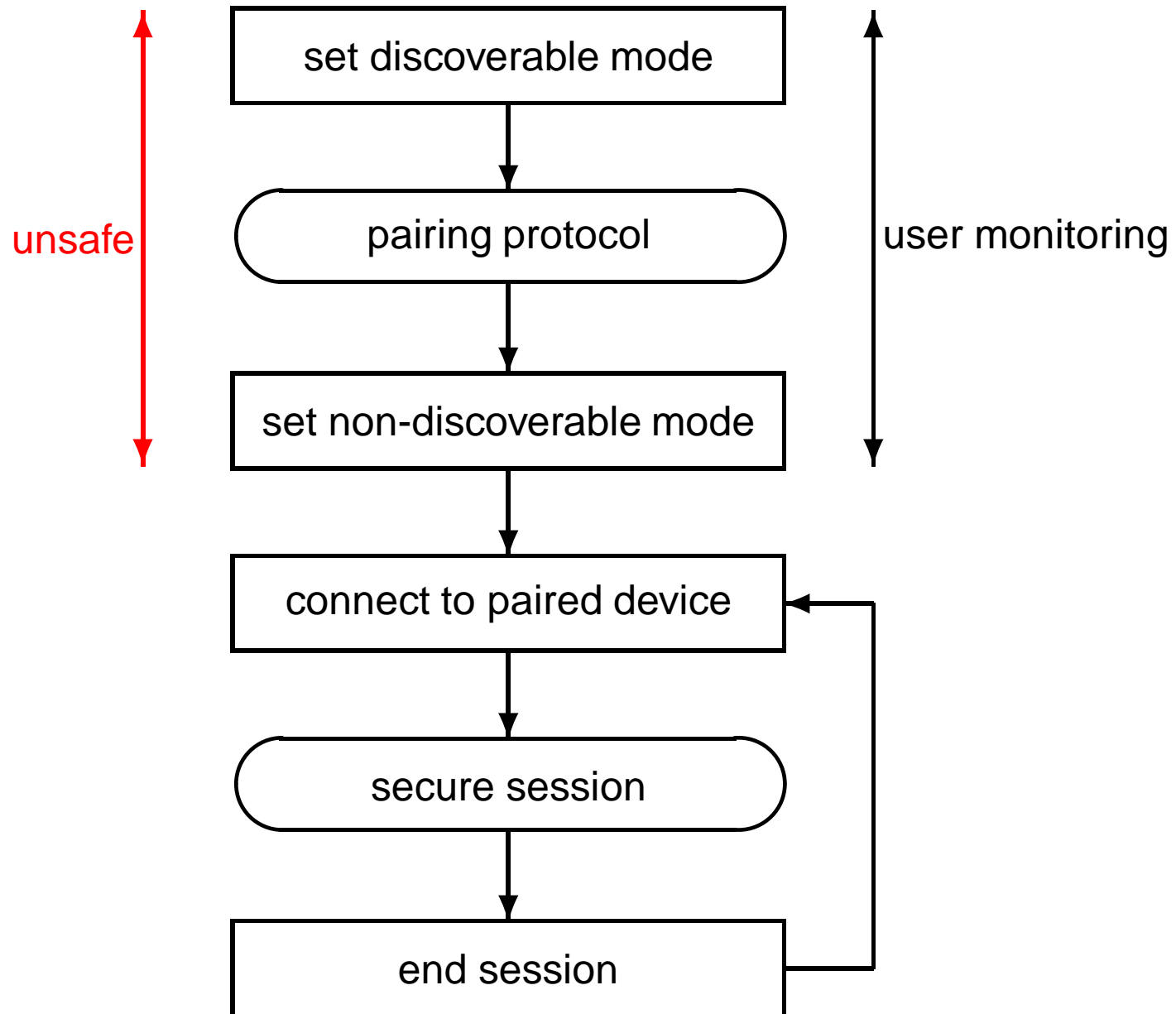
- 1Mbit/sec up to 10 meters over the 2.4-GHz radio frequency
- robustness, low complexity, low power, low cost

Bluetooth Channels



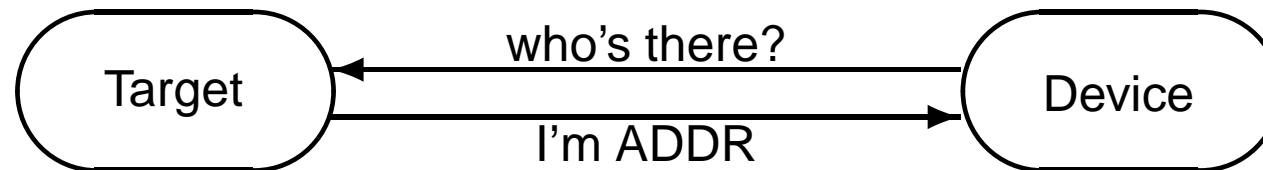
- secure channel for a PIN only
- security based on an ephemeral PIN

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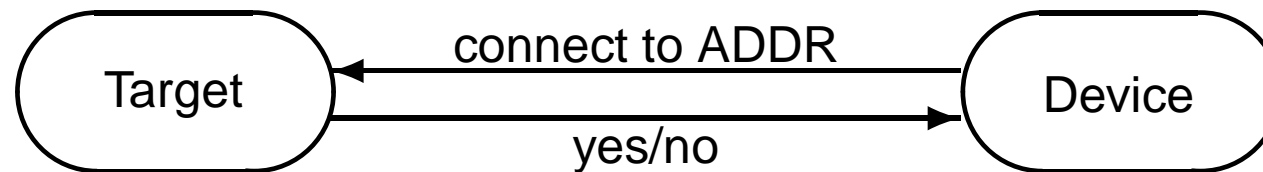


Discovery and Connection Protocols

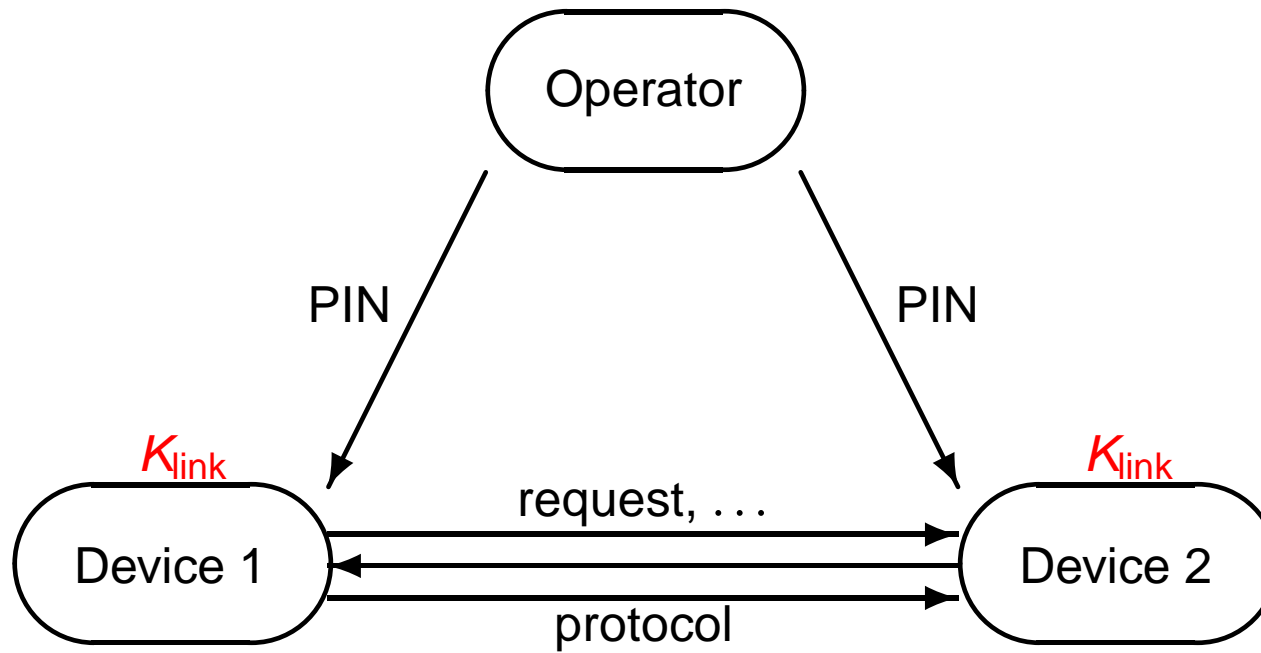
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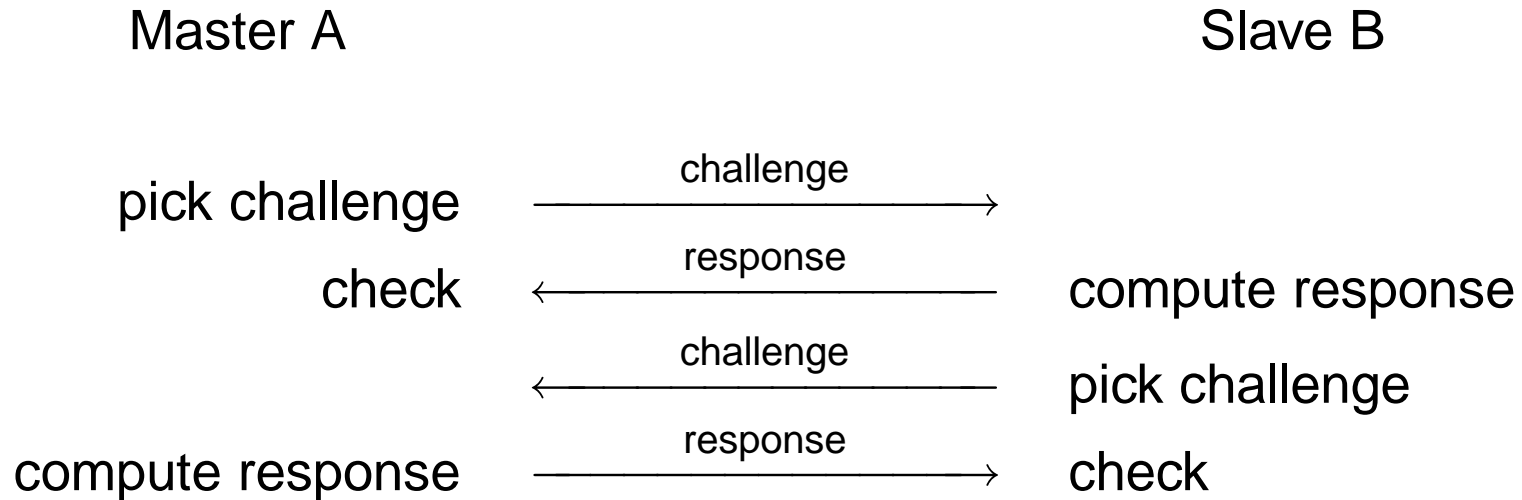
- Connection protocol:



Device Pairing



Peer Authentication



$$\text{response} = \text{MAC}(\text{challenge})$$

Key Establishment (In)security

Theorem










Under some “reasonable assumptions”, the pairing protocol is secure if either PIN has large entropy or the protocol is run through a private channel.

- 😊 a cheap pragmatic security
- 😞 pretty weak security

devastating sniffing attacks in other cases! (Jakobsson-Wetzel 2001
[JW 2001])

Bluetooth (In)security

Current (mode 3) security is rather poor:

- confidentiality  (attacks still academic so far)
- authentication  (not academic though: by encryption)
- integrity 
- freshness 
- liveliness 
- key establishment  (yes, but...)
- sequentiality  /  (message loss)
- privacy 

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Machine Readable Travel Documents Offering ICC Read-Only Access

- standard by ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization)
- purpose: put radio readable IC chip in travel documents (passport) that contain biometric (privacy-sensitive) information
- version 1.1 published in 2004 (<http://www.icao.int/mrtd>)

Objectives

- to enable inspecting authorities of receiving States to verify the authenticity and integrity of the data stored in the MRTD
- use contactless IC chip devices
- add digitally stored fingerprint and/or iris images in MRTD
- treat those data as privacy-sensitive
- have no centralized private key
- maintained by ICAO

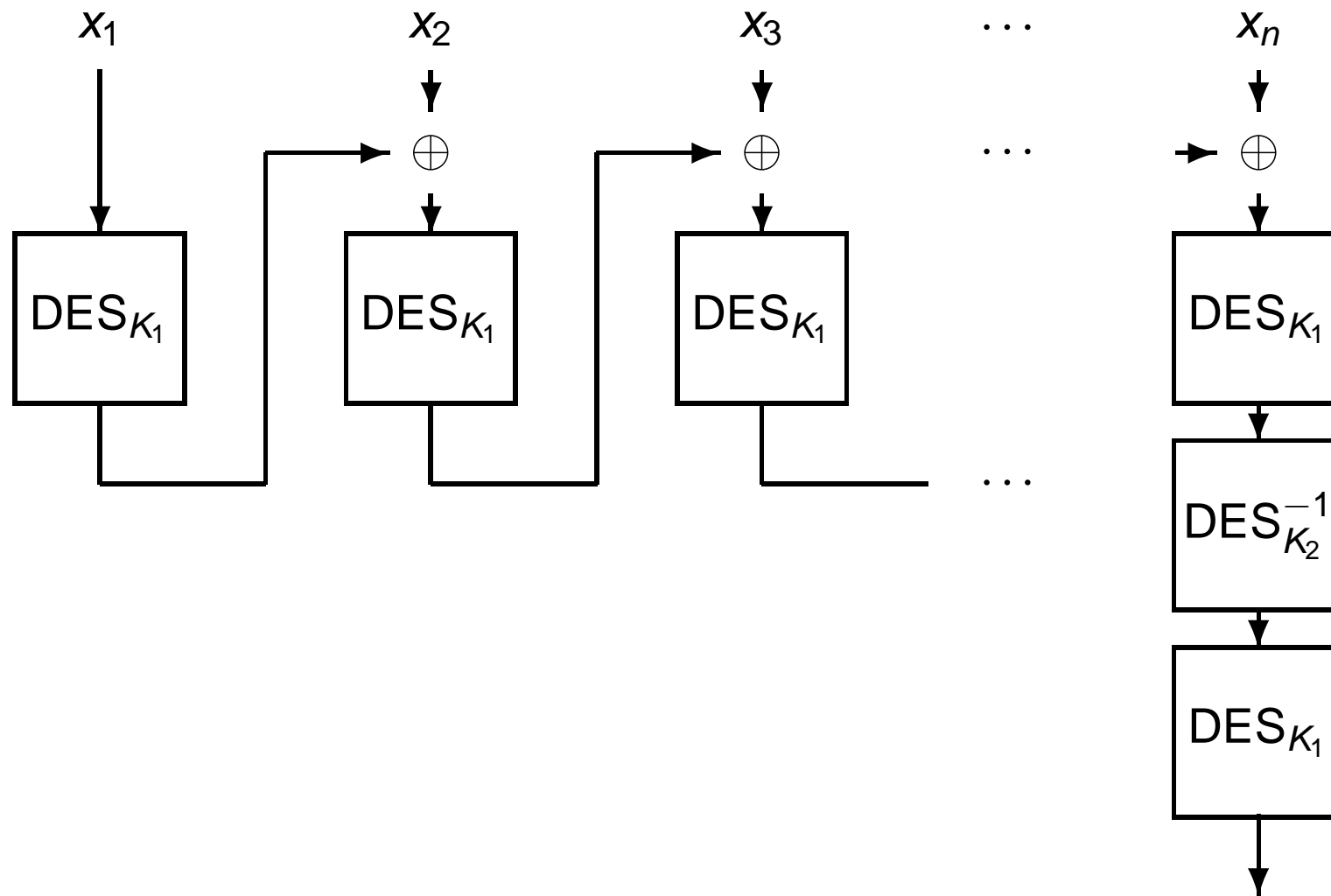
Underlying Cryptography

- SHA1 and sisters
- DES, triple-DES, CBC encryption mode
- one of the ISO/IEC 9797-1 MAC (next slide)
- RSA signatures (ISO/IEC 9796, PKCS#1), DSA, ECDSA
- X.509

ISO/IEC 9797-1

(MAC algorithm 3 based on DES with padding method 2)

(concatenate message with bit 1 and enough 0 to reach a length multiple of the block size)



PKI

- each country has a certificate authority CSCA (Country Signing Certificate Authority)
- public key of CSCA $K_{Pu_{CSCA}}$ is self-signed into C_{CSCA}
- C_{CSCA} is distributed to other countries and ICAO by diplomatic means
- each DS (Document Signer) has a public key $K_{Pu_{DS}}$, a secret key $K_{Pr_{DS}}$, and a certificate C_{DS} signed by CSCA
- revocation lists are frequently released

Traveling Document

MRTD (Machine Readable Travel Document) with ICC read-only access contain

- a logical data structure LDS (e.g. fingerprint images)
- document security object SO_D , containing the hash of LDS, signed by DS, that may contain the certificate C_{DS} by CSCA
- (for active authentication only) a public key $K_{Pu_{AA}}$ and secret key $K_{Pr_{AA}}$ (the hash of $K_{Pu_{AA}}$ is also in SO_D for authentication purpose)
- an optically readable MRZ, the hash of which being also contained in SO_D for authentication purpose

Access Control Options

- none: anyone can query the ICC, communication in clear
- basic: uses secure channel with authenticated key establishment from MRZ
- extended: up to bilateral agreements (no standard)

Passive Authentication (No Access Control)

- inspection authority loads SO_D , extract the DS, gets C_{DS} , verifies it, check the signature of SO_D
- inspection authority loads LDS and check its hash in SO_D

pro requires no processing capabilities on the MRTD side

con no privacy protection

Basic Access Control

- inspection authority reads MRZ, takes the 16 first bytes of its SHA1 hash and uses it as a key seed to derivate symmetric keys
- inspection authority and ICC mutually authenticate and derive session keys
- inspection authority can now talk to ICC through a secure channel

pro privacy protection

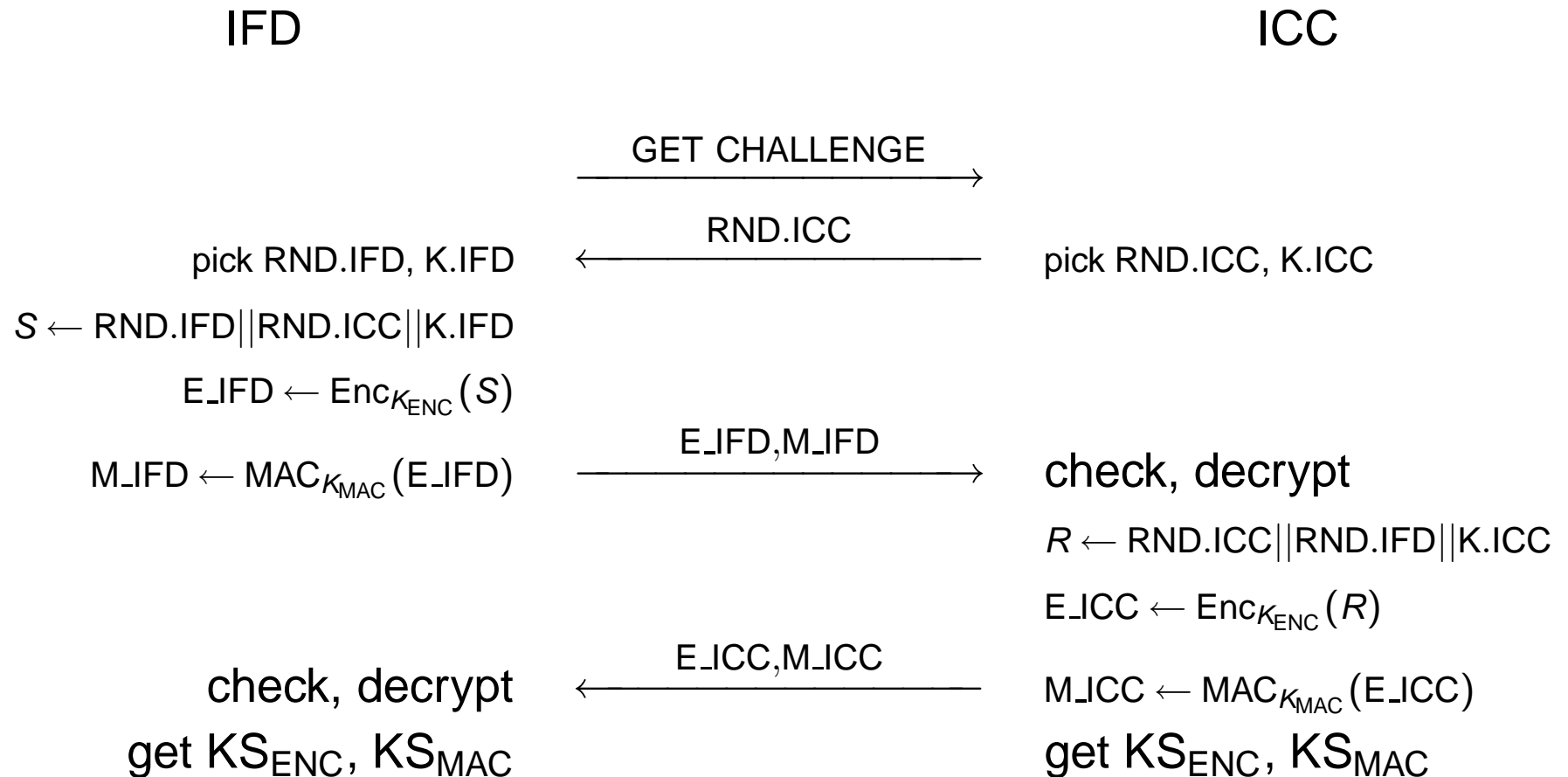
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Key Derivation from MRZ (Basic Access Control)

used to derivate Enc and MAC keys at two places

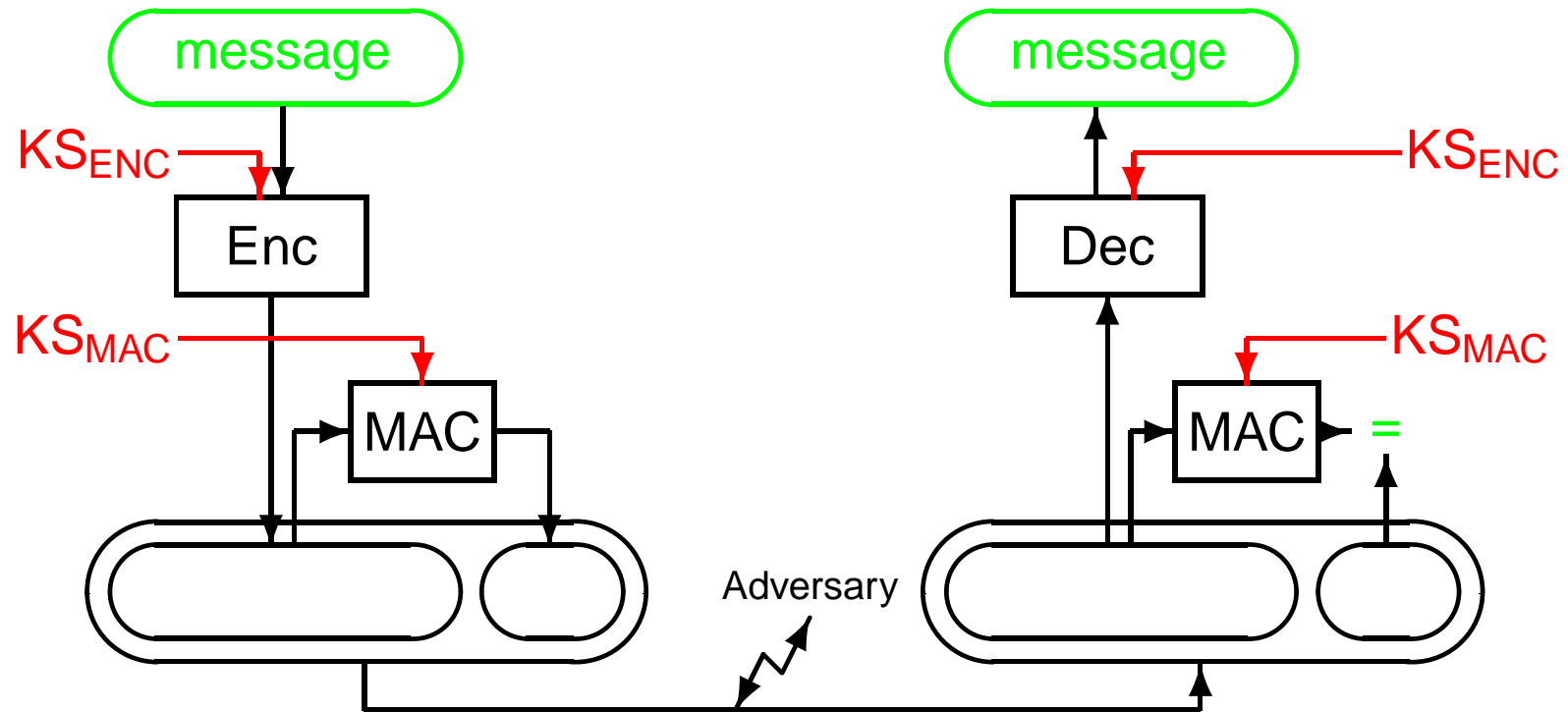
- ① to talk to ICC (K_{ENC} and K_{MAC})
- ② to generate session keys (KS_{ENC} and KS_{MAC})
 - set $D = K_{seed} || c$ where $c = 00000001$ for the encryption key and $c = 00000002$ for the MAC key
 - compute $H = \text{SHA1}(D)$
 - the first 8 bytes and the next 8 bytes of H are set to the 2-key triple-DES
 - adjust the parity bits of the two DES keys

Authentication and Key Estab. (Basic Access Control)



(derive KS_{ENC} and KS_{MAC} from $K_{seed} = K.ICC \oplus K.IFD$)

Secure Channel (Basic Access Control)



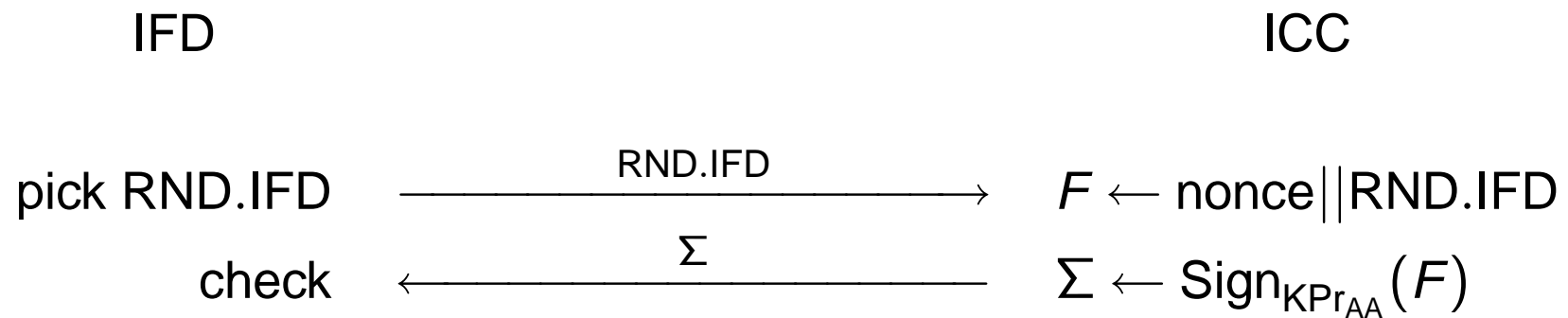
Active Authentication

- authenticate ICC knows some secret key KPr_{AA} by a challenge-response protocol

pro prevents chip substitution

con processing demanding

Active Authentication Protocol



Comments (Personal Opinion)

- privacy protection is rather small
 - we can check whether an MRZ is equal to a target value
Example: continuously try the MRZ of M. Leueberger in the street until one MRTD answers
 - MRZ entropy is less than 48 bits
By evesdropping RND.ICC and E_IFD of existing session we can do exhaustive search on MRZ and either decrypt the session or later ask the MRTD for privacy-sensitive information
- ICC will eventually be reverse engineered and copied
- old technology:
 - DES standard is no longer supported
 - SHA1 hash function is half broken
 - home-made secure channel
 - random key establishment based on low-entropy MRZ

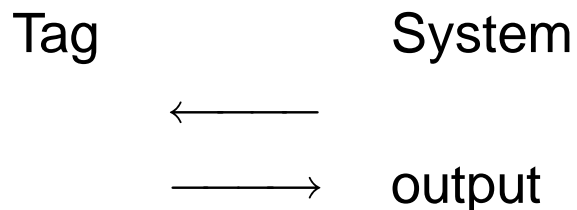
we can use much better cryptographic schemes (e.g. password-based authenticated key agreement)

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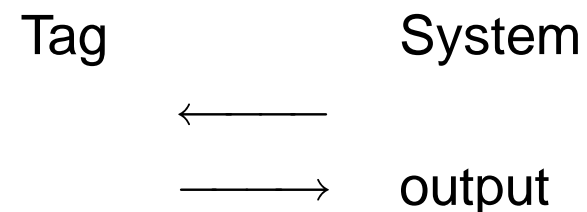
Authentication and Identification Protocols

- System init: generate key materials + reset a database
- Tag init: Tag is given an initial state and System is updated with a new tag (ID, key) entry in database

Authentication



Identification

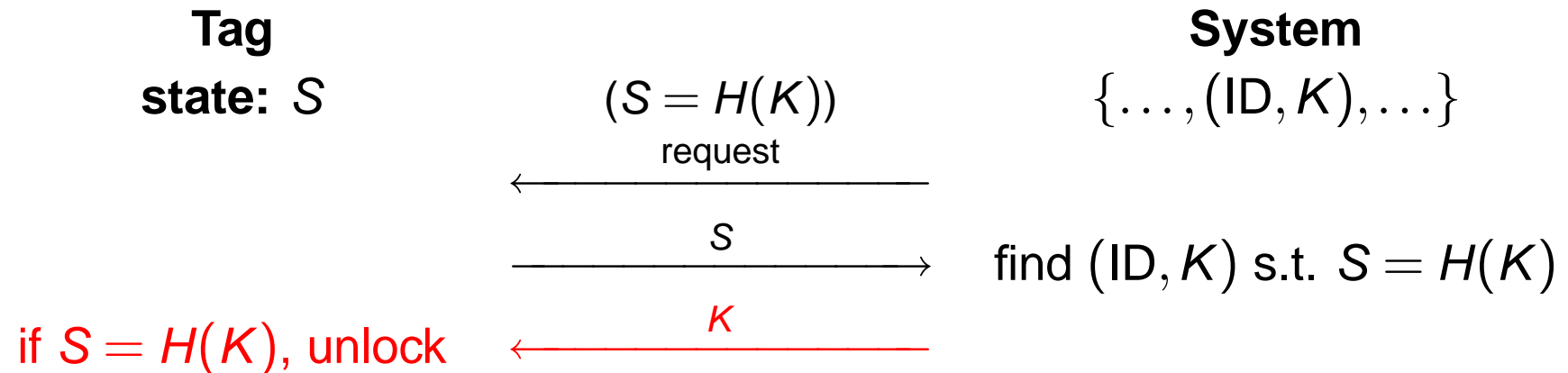


output: *whether tag belongs to system*

output: *tag ID (if belongs to system)*

- security: completeness, soundness, privacy
- side channel: authentication output is public or not

Weis-Sarma-Rivest-Engel 2003 [WSRE 2003]: The Hash-Lock Paradigm



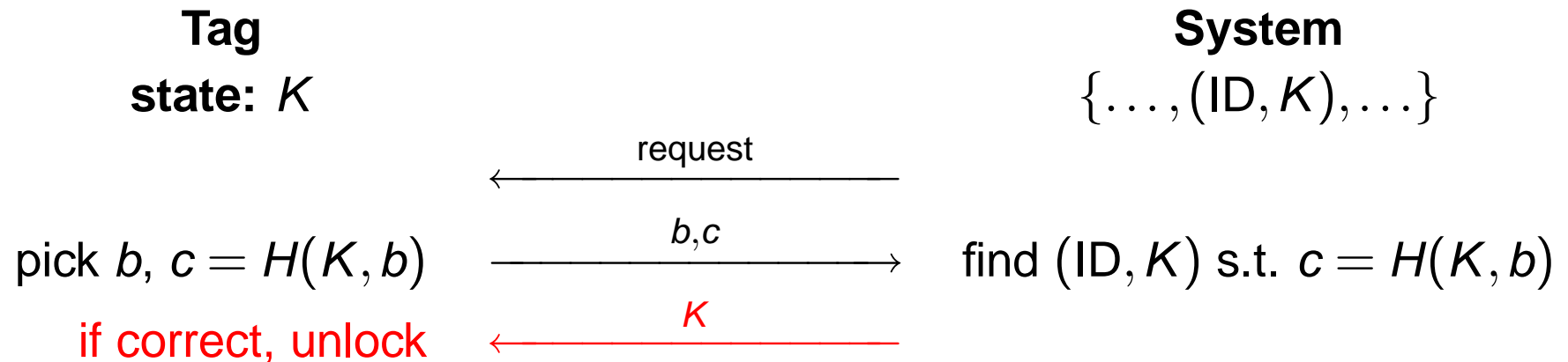
- use one-time unlock keys and update it after unlocking

pro simple, efficient

con man-in-the-middle

con privacy threat (linkability)

The Randomized Hash-Lock Paradigm



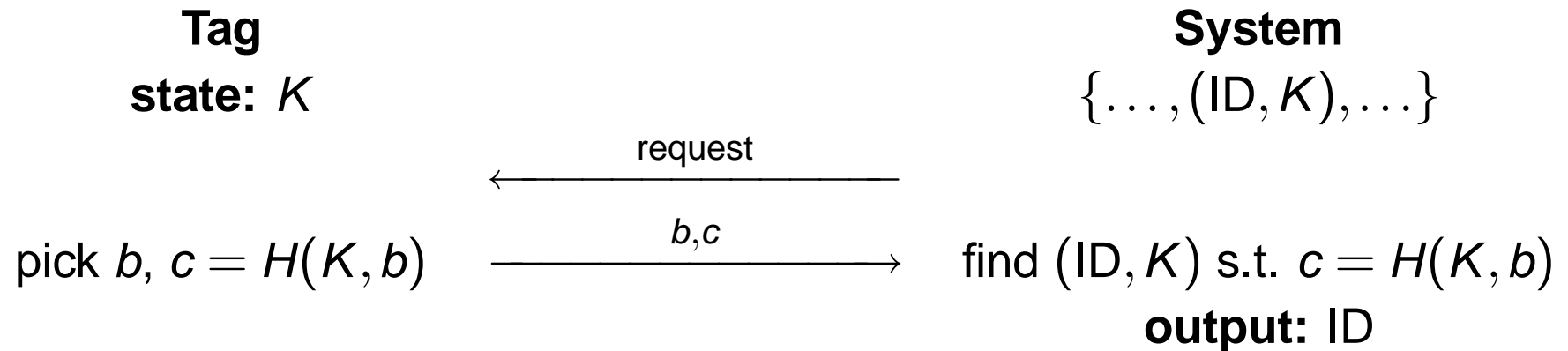
- use one-time unlock keys and update it after unlocking

pro simple, efficient

con man-in-the-middle for one-time keys

con replay attack if key is not one-time

Randomized Hash-Lock Identification



pro simple, efficient

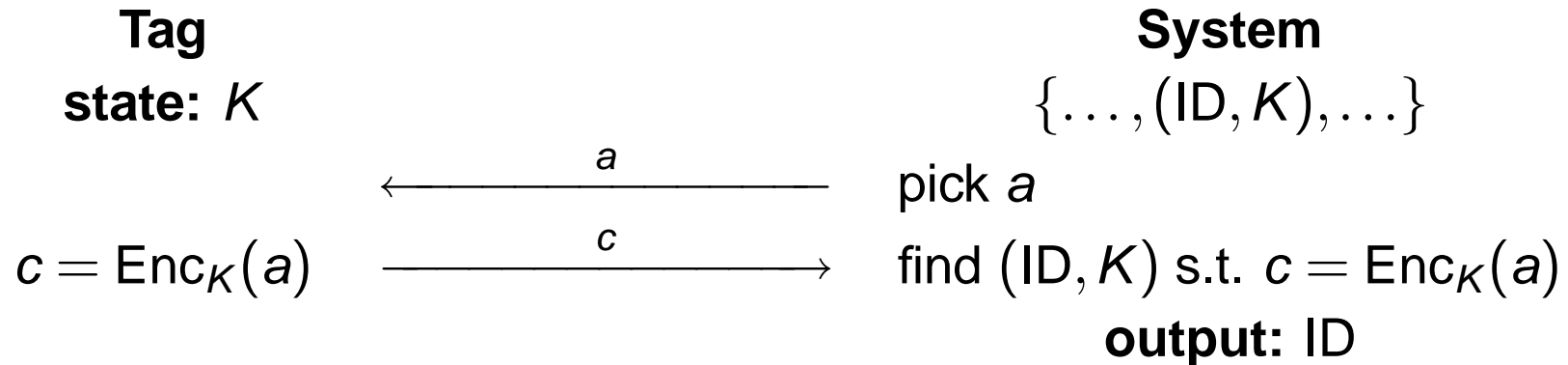
con replay attack \longrightarrow tag impersonation

con tag corruption \longrightarrow tag cloning, tag traceability

Feldhofer-Dominikus-Wolkerstorfer 2004 [FDW 2004]

- block ciphers are more efficient than hash functions in RFID tags
- use ISO/IEC 9798-2 unilateral authentication
- use ISO/IEC 9798-2 mutual authentication

ISO/IEC 9798-2 2-Pass Unilateral Authentication

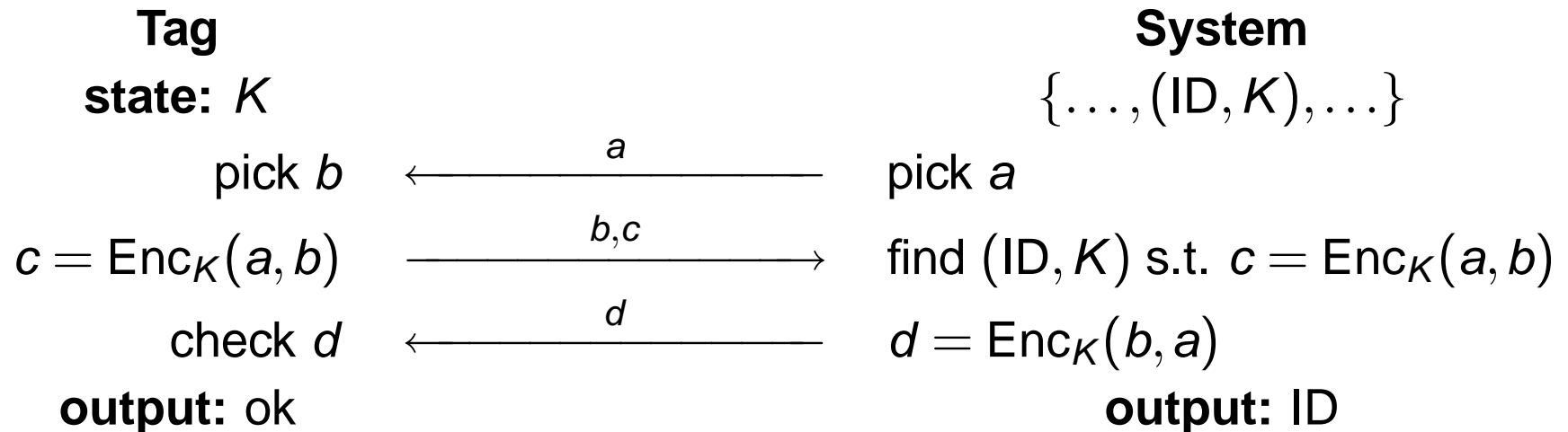


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ISO/IEC 9798-2 3-Pass Mutual Authentication

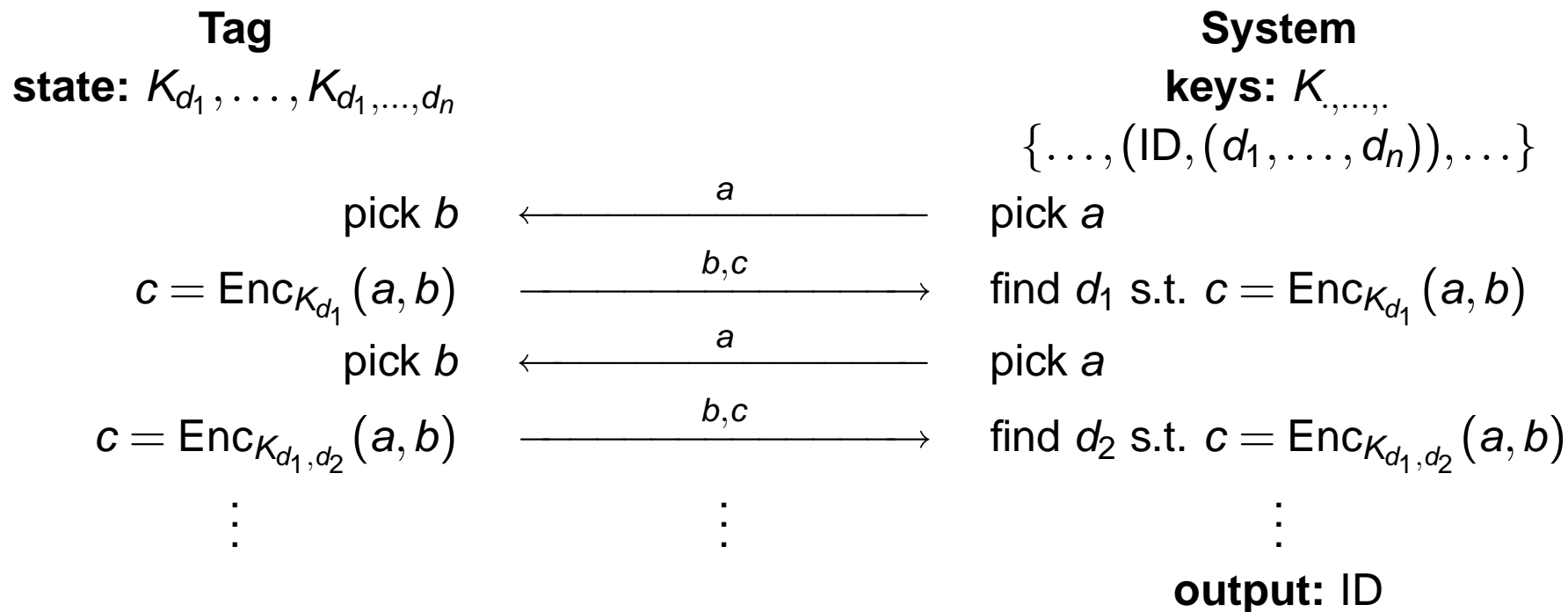


pro simple, efficient

pro pretty good soundness and privacy

con tag corruption \longrightarrow tag cloning

Molnar-Wagner 2004 [MW 2004]



pro improved the search complexity on the system side

con privacy leakage

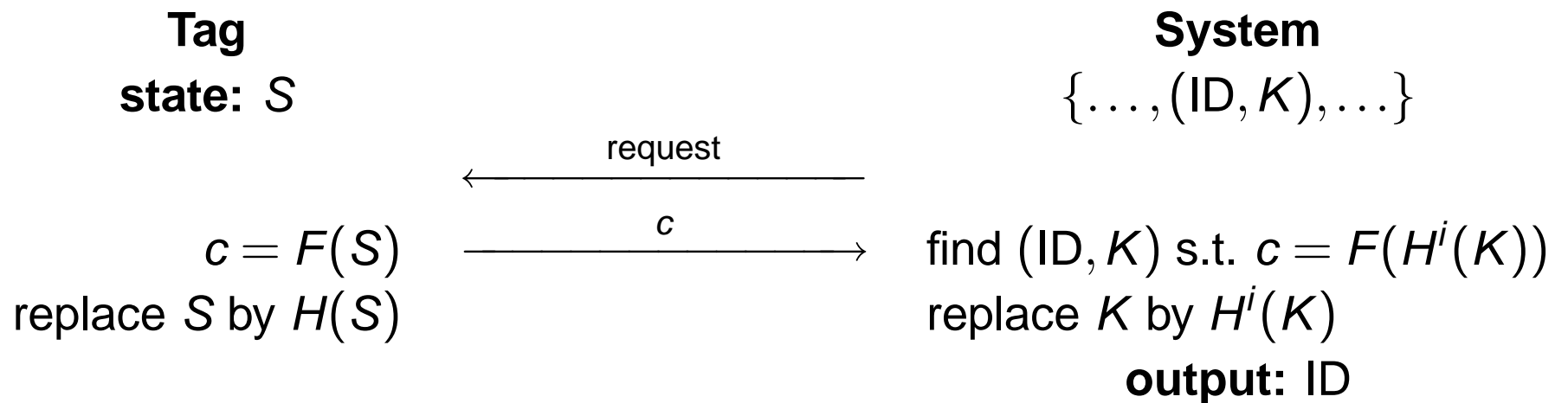
Attack by Avoine-Dysli-Oechslin 2005 [ADO 2005]

- 1: pick two tags at random associated to d_1^1, \dots, d_n^1 and d_1^2, \dots, d_n^2
- 2: listen to one protocol communication between one random tag T out of T^1 and T^2 and the system
- 3: get one random tag T^0 , **corrupt** it, get $K_{d_1^0, \dots, d_n^0}$
- 4: let i be the maximum s.t. $\forall j = 1, \dots, i-1, d_j^0 = d_j^1 = d_j^2$
- 5: if $d_i^0 \notin \{d_i^1, d_i^2\}$ then fail
- 6: if the i th key in the protocol transcript matches $K_{d_1^0, \dots, d_i^0}$, declare that $T = T^b$ s.t. $d_i^0 = d_i^b$ otherwise, declare that $T = T^b$ s.t. $d_i^0 \neq d_i^b$

The lower the branch number, the higher the success probability

The higher the branch number, the higher the complexity

Ohkubo-Suzuki-Kinoshita 2003 [OSK 2003]

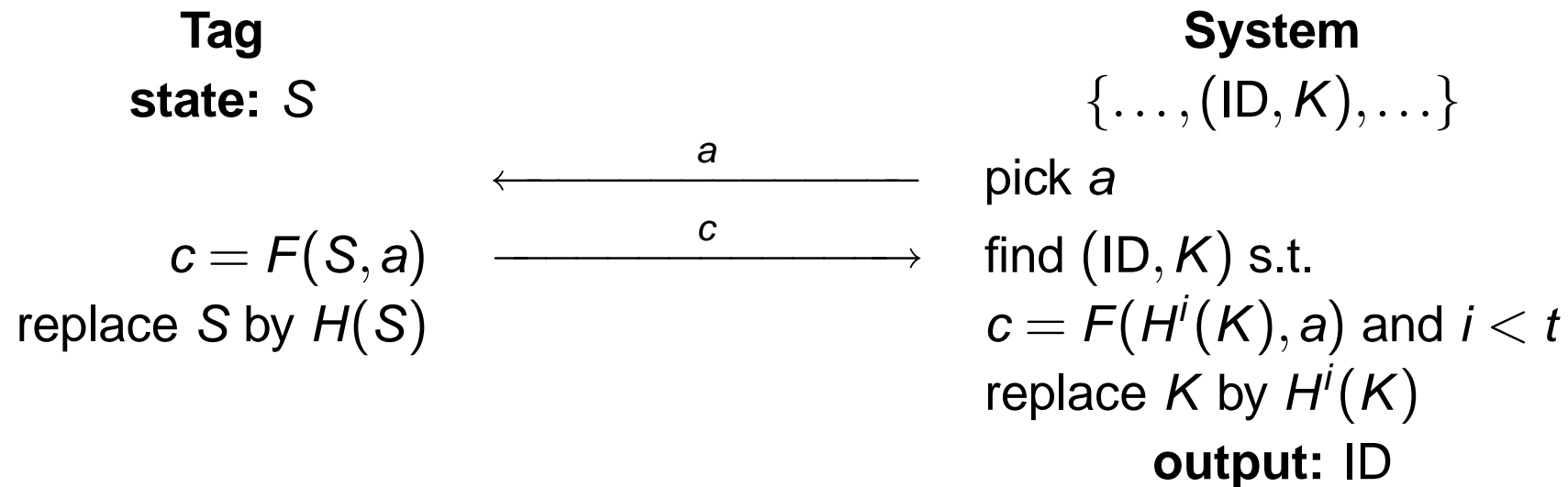


pro pretty good soundness and *forward* privacy

con no complexity upper bound

con man-in-the-middle attack

Modified Ohkubo-Suzuki-Kinoshita



pro simple, efficient

pro pretty good soundness and *forward* privacy

con privacy leakage from side channel

Attack by Juels-Weis 2006 [JW 2006]

- 1: pick one tag T at random
- 2: simulate t times a reader that sends a random challenge a
- 3: get one tag which is T with probability $\frac{1}{2}$
- 4: execute a complete protocol between this tag and the reader
- 5: get the reader result success or failure
- 6: if the result is failure, declare that the tag is T

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Previous Work

Challenge-response protocols: Hash Locks [WSRE 2003],
using ISO/IEC 9798-2 [FDW 2004],
with optimized database search [MW 2004]

Forward privacy: Ohkubo-Suzuki-Kinoshita [OSK 2003],
with optimized database search [ADO 2005],
Dimitriou [Dim 2005]

Privacy with corruption: Avoine-Dysli-Oechslin [ADO 2005], Avoine
[Avo 2005],

Privacy with side-channels: Ohkubo-Suzuki 2005 [OS 2005],
Juels-Weis [JW 2006],
Burmester-van Le-Medeiros 2006 [BLM 2006]

RFID Scheme Definition

Definition

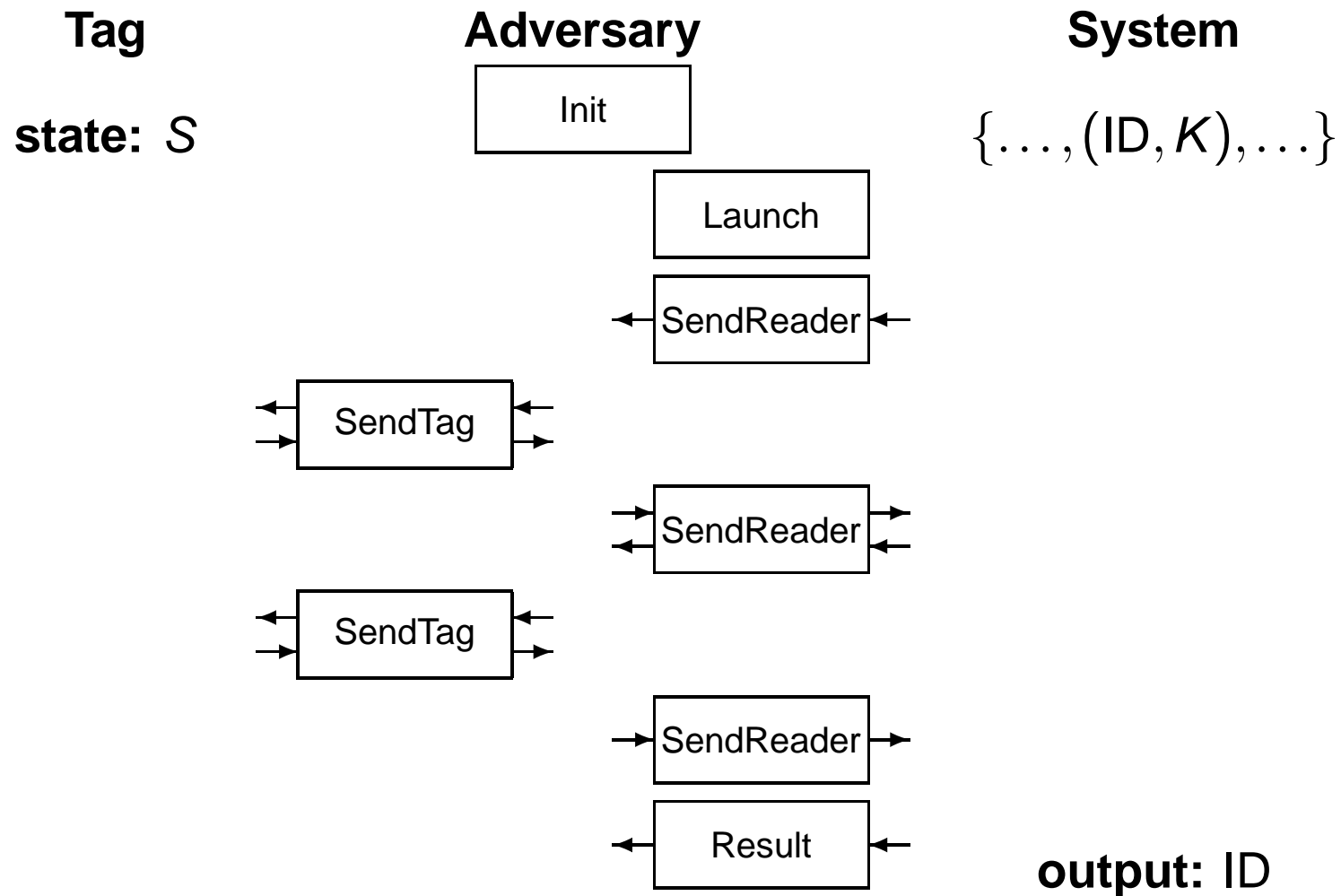
An RFID scheme consists of

Reader setup algorithm $\text{Setup}(1^s) \rightarrow (K_S, K_P)$ where K_S is safely stored in the system and K_P is publicly released;

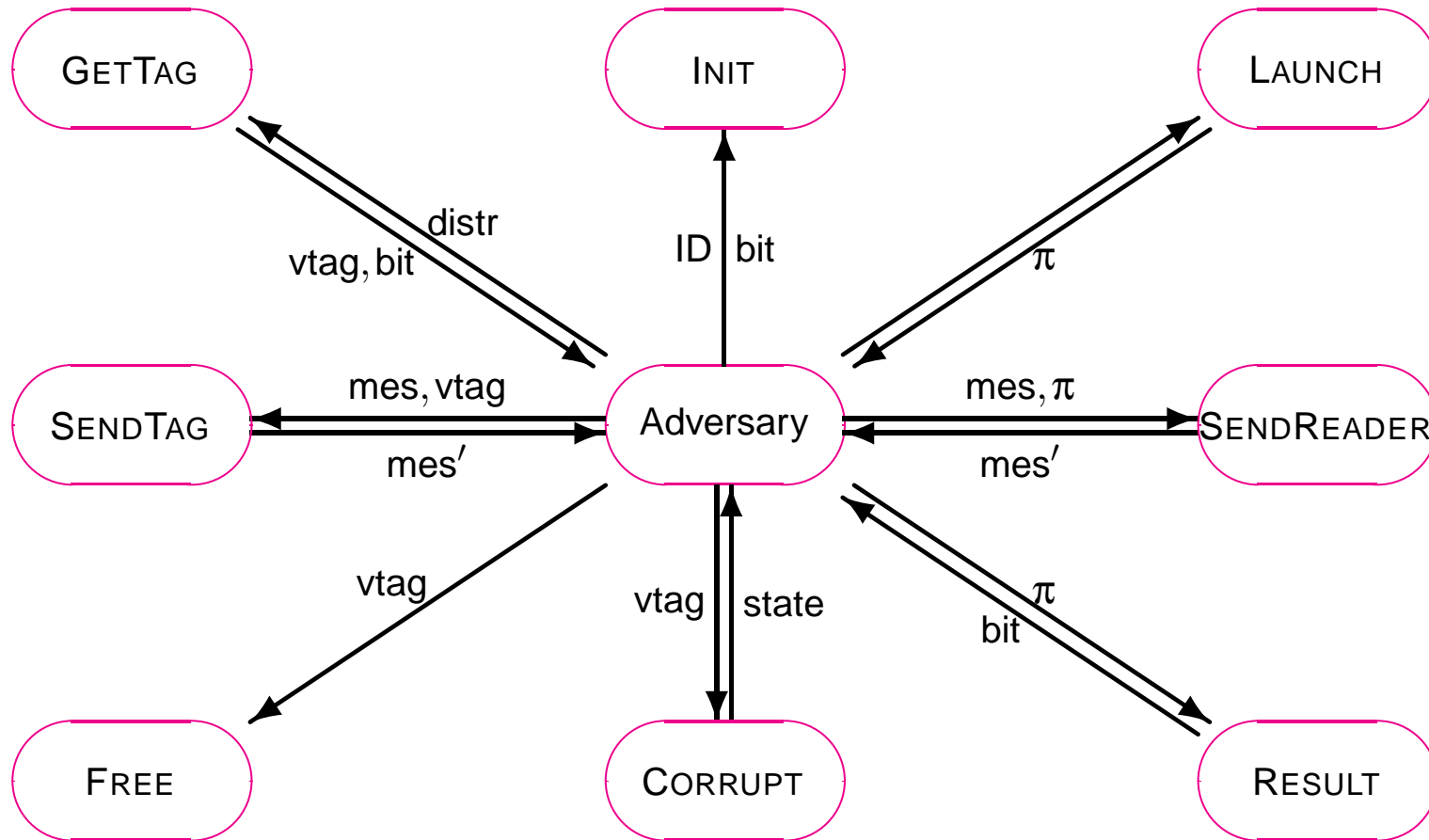
Tag setup algorithm $\text{Gen}_{K_S, K_P}(\text{ID}) \rightarrow (K, S)$ where S is the initial state of the tag and (ID, K) is a new entry to be inserted in the reader database;

Identification protocol between a tag with state S and a reader with database of (ID, K) and key pair (K_S, K_P) . The protocol output on the reader side should be ID if the tag was identified in the database or \perp otherwise.

Adversarial Model



Oracle Accesses



Corruption Models

Weak adversary: no CORRUPT query

Forward adversary: CORRUPT queries at the end only

Destructive adversary: CORRUPT(vtag) queries followed by no queries using vtag

Strong adversary: no restriction for using CORRUPT queries

Side Channel Models

Narrow adversary: no RESULT query

(default): no restriction for using RESULT queries

Completeness

- 1: INIT($1, \dots, r; r + 1, \dots, n$)
- 2: pick $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ at random
- 3: $(\text{vtag}, \cdot) \leftarrow \text{GETTAG}(i)$
- 4: EXECUTE(vtag)

Definition

An RFID scheme is complete if for any polynomially bounded n and any $r \leq n$ the above adversary induces an unexpected output with negligible probability.

Soundness

```
1: for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do  
2:   INIT( $i$ ;)   
3:    $(vtag_i, \cdot) \leftarrow$  GETTAG( $i$ )  
4: end for  
5: (training phase) do any LAUNCH,  
   SENDREADER, SENDTAG, RESULT  
6:  $\pi \leftarrow$  LAUNCH  
7: (attack phase) do any LAUNCH,  
   SENDREADER, SENDTAG, RESULT
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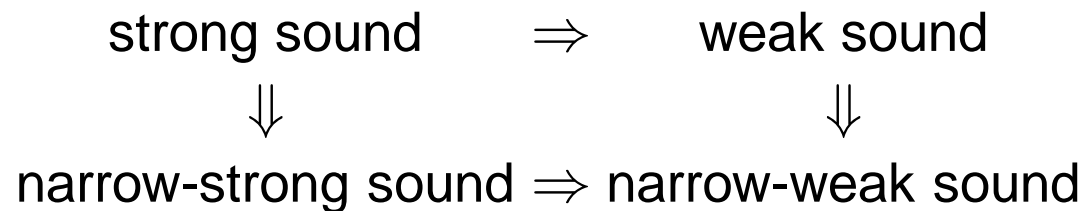
Winning condition: π outputs $\text{Out} = \text{ID} \neq \perp$ for some ID value, tag with this ID was not corrupted, and tag with this ID did not complete a protocol run during the attack phase.

Definition

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

Soundness Models

- CORRUPT queries followed by nothing are useless
(forward and weak adversaries are equivalent for soundness)
- once a tag is corrupted, we can fully simulate it thus assume it is never used again
(strong and destructive adversaries are equivalent for soundness)



Privacy

Winning condition: the adversary outputs a predicate using equalities on vtag's and/or constant ID values such that replacing the vtag's by their identities satisfies the predicate.

Definition

An adversary \mathcal{A} for privacy is significant if there exists no blinder B such that $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ succeed}] - \Pr[\mathcal{A}^B \text{ succeed}]$ is negligible.

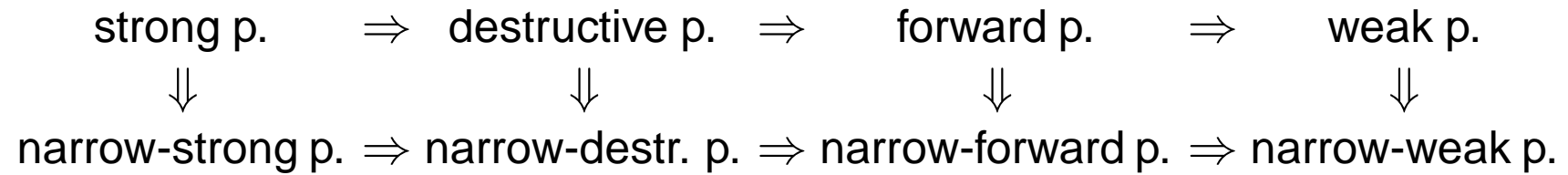
Blinders

Definition

A blinder is an interface between the adversary and the oracles that

- passively looks at communications to INIT, GETTAG, FREE, and CORRUPT queries
- impersonate the oracles LAUNCH, SENDREADER, SENDTAG, and RESULT to simulate the queries.

Privacy Models



The Ohkubo-Suzuki 2005 Model [OS 2005]

- single tag
- single corruption (at the end)
- adversary can travel through the tag or reader time (suitable when state transition is deterministic)
- last interaction (for the adversary time) is either real or simulated

→ this can reduce to a forward adversary

The Juels-Weis 2006 Model [JW 2006]

- 1: **for** $i = 1$ to n **do**
- 2: INIT(i ;))
- 3: (vtag_i, \cdot) \leftarrow GETTAG(i)
- 4: **end for**
- 5: do any LAUNCH, SENDREADER, SENDTAG, RESULT, CORRUPT (at least two virtual tags should be left incorrupted)
- 6: select T_0, T_1 , the ID of two uncorrupted tags
- 7: FREE($\text{vtag}_{T_0}, \text{vtag}_{T_1}$)
- 8: (vtag, \cdot) \leftarrow GETTAG($\Pr[T_0] = \Pr[T_1] = \frac{1}{2}$)
- 9: do any LAUNCH, SENDREADER, SENDTAG, RESULT
- 10: (forward model only) $S \leftarrow$ CORRUPT(vtag)
- 11: select $b \in \{0, 1\}$
- 12: output $\text{vtag} \equiv T_b$

→ model weaker than destructive privacy

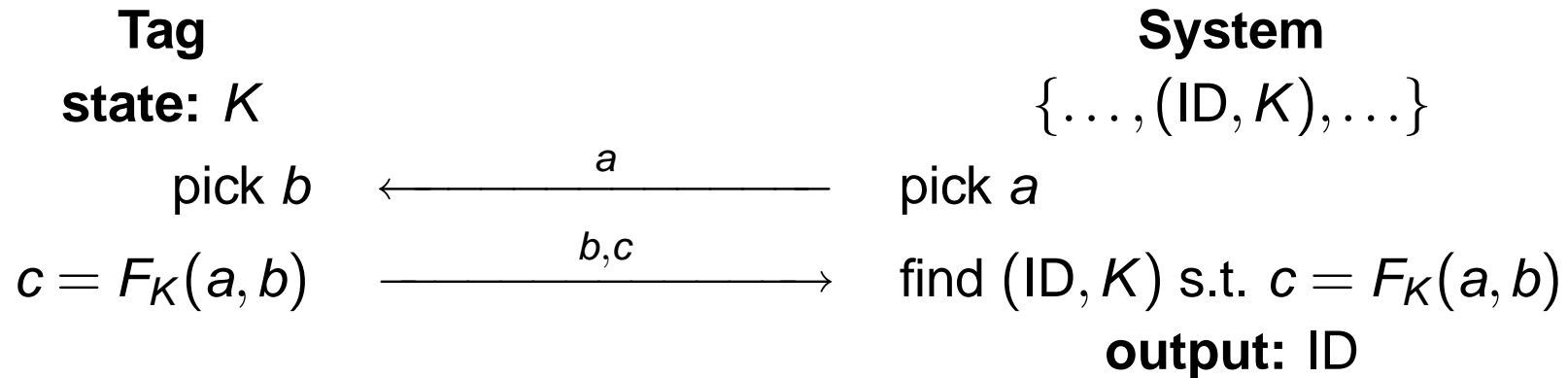
The Burmester-van Le-Medeiros 2006 Model [BLM 2006]

- destructive model
- adversaries are not allowed to produce an output involving a corrupted vtag

→ model weaker than destructive privacy

→ some protocol private in this model may be not even narrow-forward private

Challenge-Response RFID Scheme



Theorem

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

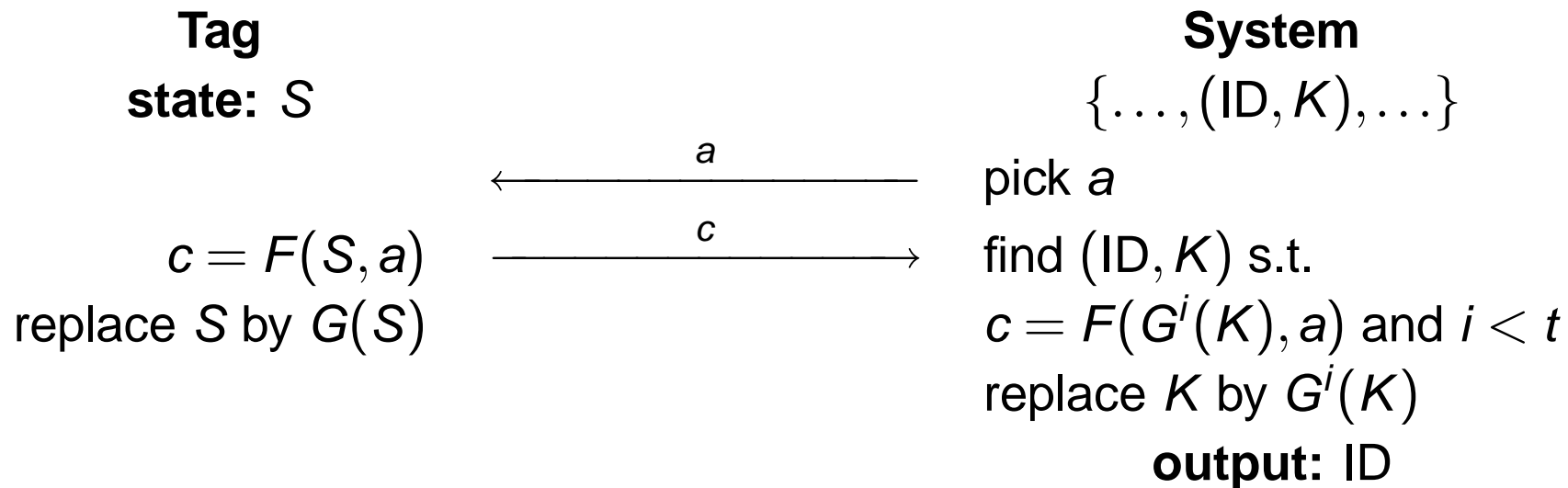
- complete
- strong sound
- weak private

Caveat: Not Even Narrow-Forward Private

```
1: INIT(0, 1)
2: (vtag, ·) ← GETTAG(Pr[0] = Pr[1] =  $\frac{1}{2}$ )
3: (·, (a, b, c)) ← EXECUTE(vtag)
4: FREE(vtag)
5: (vtag0, ·) ← GETTAG(0)
6:  $K \leftarrow$  CORRUPT(vtag0)
7: if  $F_K(a, b) = c$  then
8:    $x \leftarrow 0$ 
9: else
10:   $x \leftarrow 1$ 
11: end if
12: output vtag  $\equiv x$ 
```

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

Modified Ohkubo-Suzuki-Kinoshita



Theorem

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

- complete
- strong sound
- narrow-destructive private

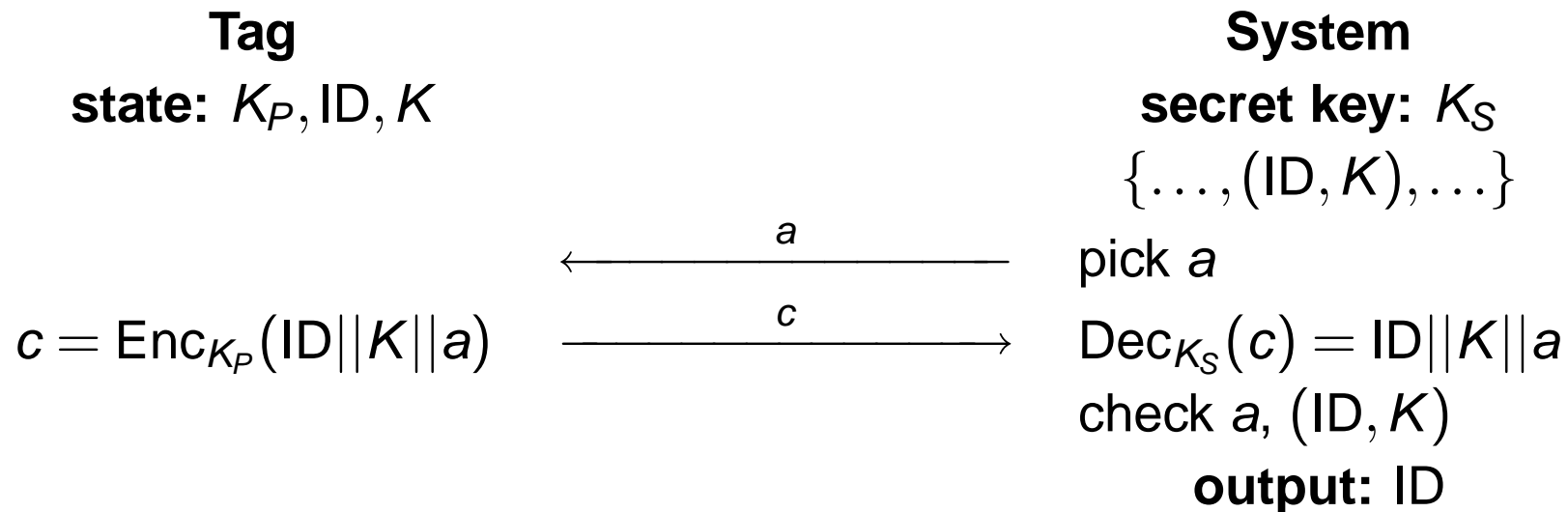
Caveat: Not Even Weak Private

(Juels-Weis [JW 2006] attack):

- 1: INIT(0, 1)
- 2: $(\text{vtag}_0, \cdot) \leftarrow \text{GETTAG}(0)$
- 3: **for** $i = 1$ to $t + 1$ **do**
- 4: pick a random x
- 5: SENDTAG(x, vtag_0)
- 6: **end for**
- 7: FREE(vtag_0)
- 8: $(\text{vtag}, \cdot) \leftarrow \text{GETTAG}(\text{Pr}[0] = \text{Pr}[1] = \frac{1}{2})$
- 9: $(\pi, \cdot) \leftarrow \text{EXECUTE}(\text{vtag})$
- 10: $x \leftarrow \text{RESULT}(\pi)$
- 11: output $\text{vtag} \equiv x$

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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

- complete
- strong sound
- narrow-strong and forward private

Caveat: Not Destructive Private

- 1: INIT(0; 1)
- 2: $(\text{vtag}_0, \cdot) \leftarrow \text{GETTAG}(0)$
- 3: $S_0 \leftarrow \text{CORRUPT}(\text{vtag}_0)$
- 4: $(\text{vtag}_1, \cdot) \leftarrow \text{GETTAG}(1)$
- 5: $S_1 \leftarrow \text{CORRUPT}(\text{vtag}_1)$
- 6: flip a coin $b \in \{0, 1\}$
- 7: $\pi \leftarrow \text{LAUNCH}$
- 8: simulate a tag of state S_b with reader instance π
- 9: $x \leftarrow \text{RESULT}(\pi)$
- 10: **if** $x = b$ **then**
- 11: output true
- 12: **else**
- 13: output false
- 14: **end if**

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

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

Hence, \mathcal{A} is a significant destructive adversary.

Separation Results

Theorem

- *A complete RFID scheme that is narrow-destructive private cannot be destructive private.*
→ *strong privacy is impossible for complete schemes*
- *A complete and narrow-strong RFID scheme can be transformed into a secure key agreement protocol*
→ *narrow-strong privacy needs public-key cryptography techniques*
- *A complete and narrow-forward stateless RFID scheme can be transformed into a secure key agreement protocol*
→ *narrow-forward privacy without public-key cryptography must be stateful*

Conclusion

- We have a strong framework to treat RFID schemes
- We have several levels of privacy
- The strongest possible require public-key cryptography (an application for TCHo [FV 2006]?)
- We identified optimal solutions

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