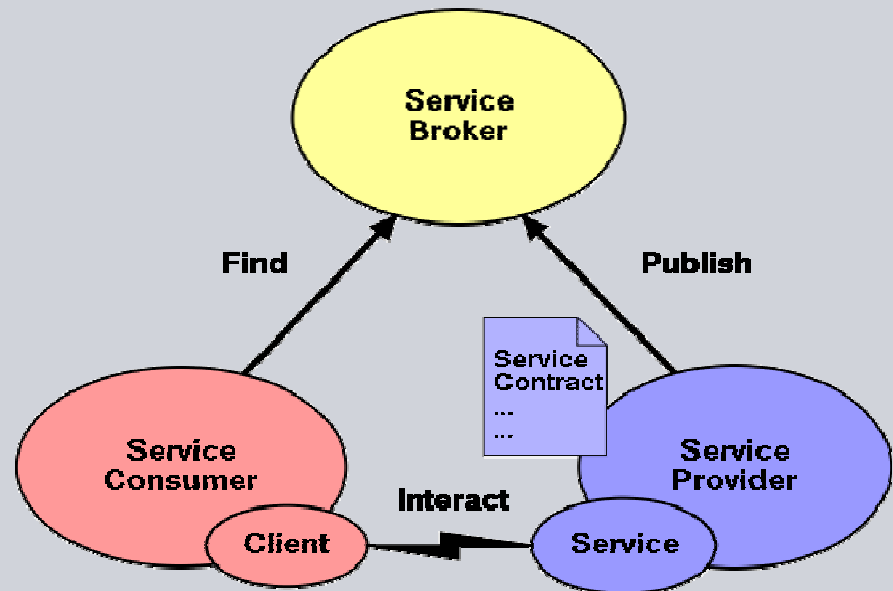


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¹ Automated Validation of Trust and Security of Service-oriented Architectures

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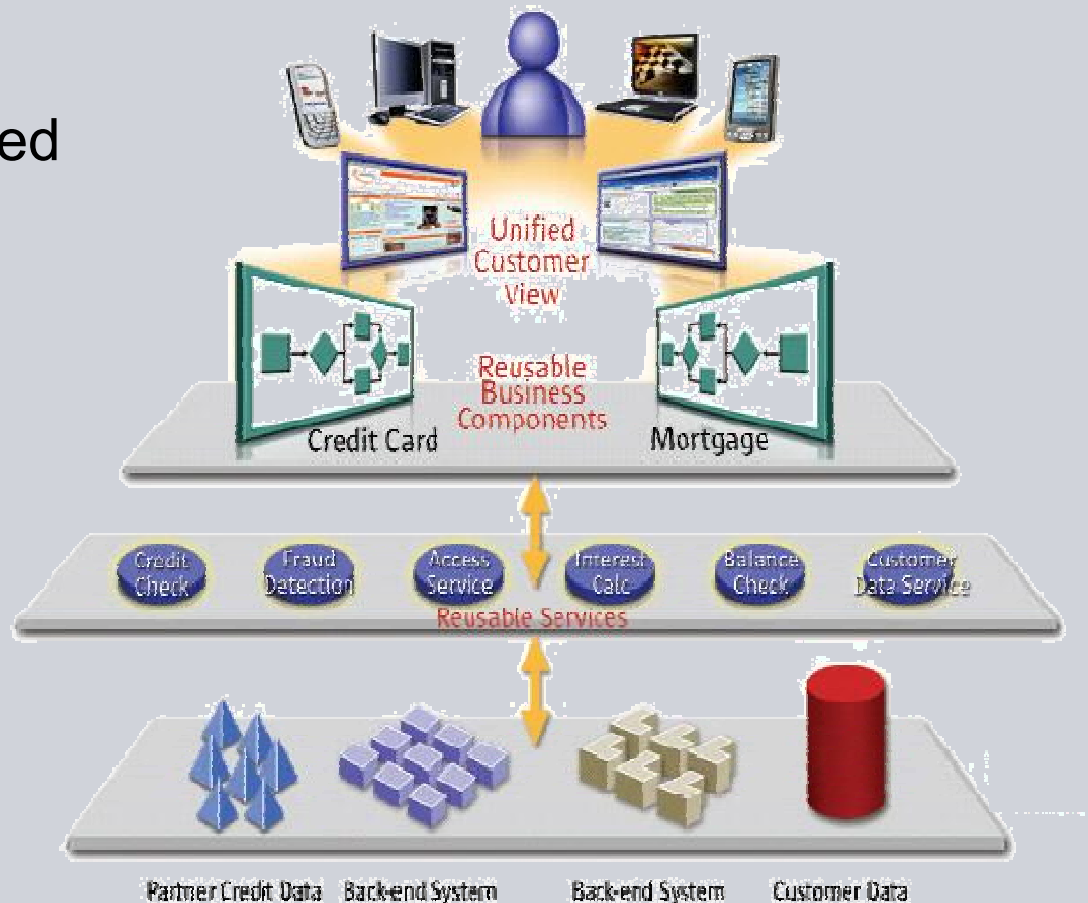
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AVANTSSAR project motivation

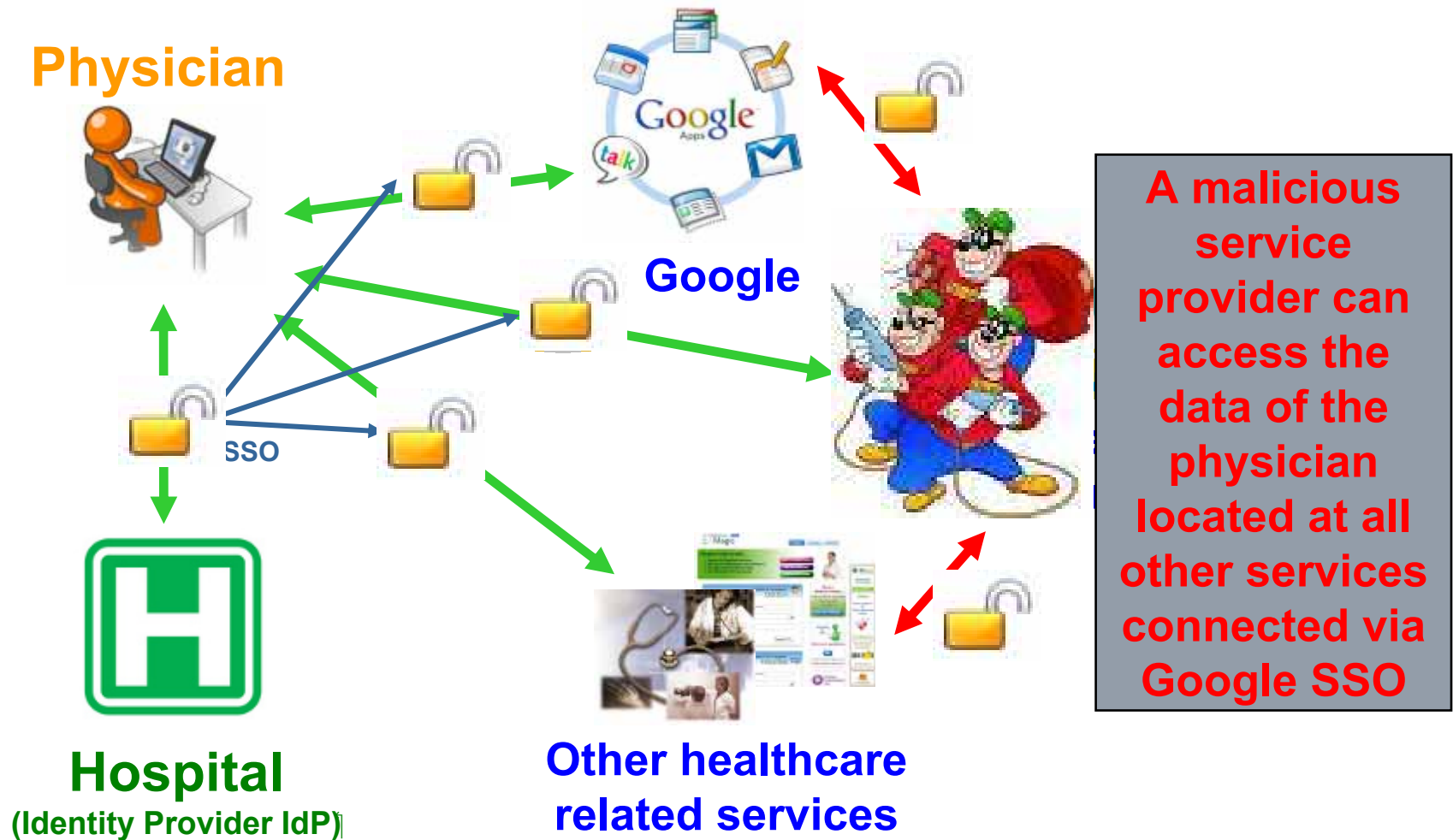
ICT paradigm shift: from components to **services**, composed and reconfigured dynamically in a demand-driven way.

Trustworthy service may **interact** with others causing novel trust and security problems.

For the composition of individual services into service-oriented architectures, **validation** is dramatically needed.



Example 0: Google SAML-based Single Sign-On (SSO)



Example 0: Google SAML SSO protocol flaw

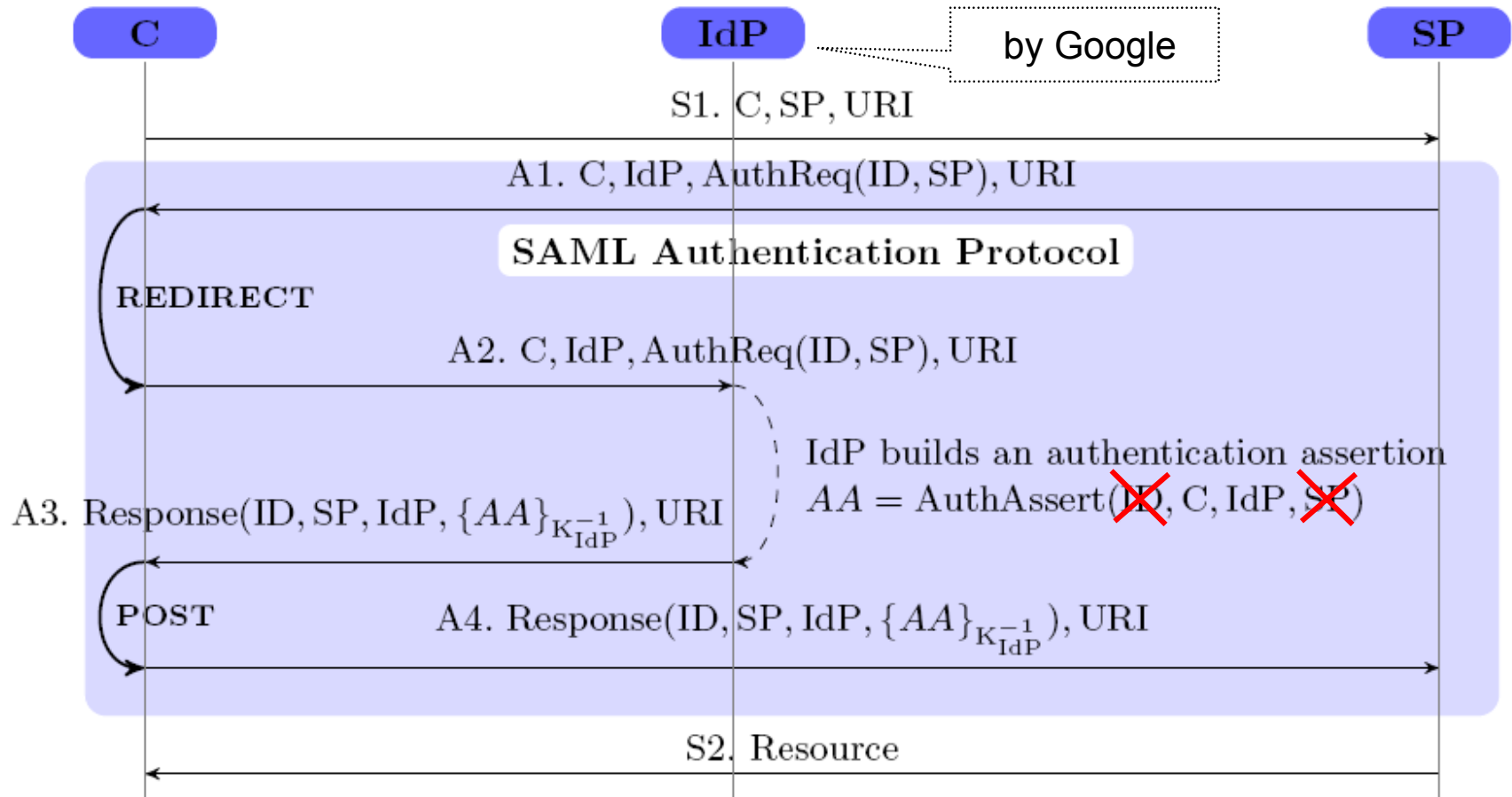


Fig. 1. SP-Initiated SSO with Redirect/POST Bindings

AVANTSSAR consortium

Industry

SAP Research France, Sophia Antipolis
Siemens Corporate Technology, München
 IBM Zürich Research Labs (initial two years)
 OpenTrust, Paris

Academia

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Expertise

Service-oriented enterprise architectures
 Security solutions
 Standardization and industry migration

Security engineering
 Formal methods
 Automated security validation

AVANTSSAR main objectives and principles

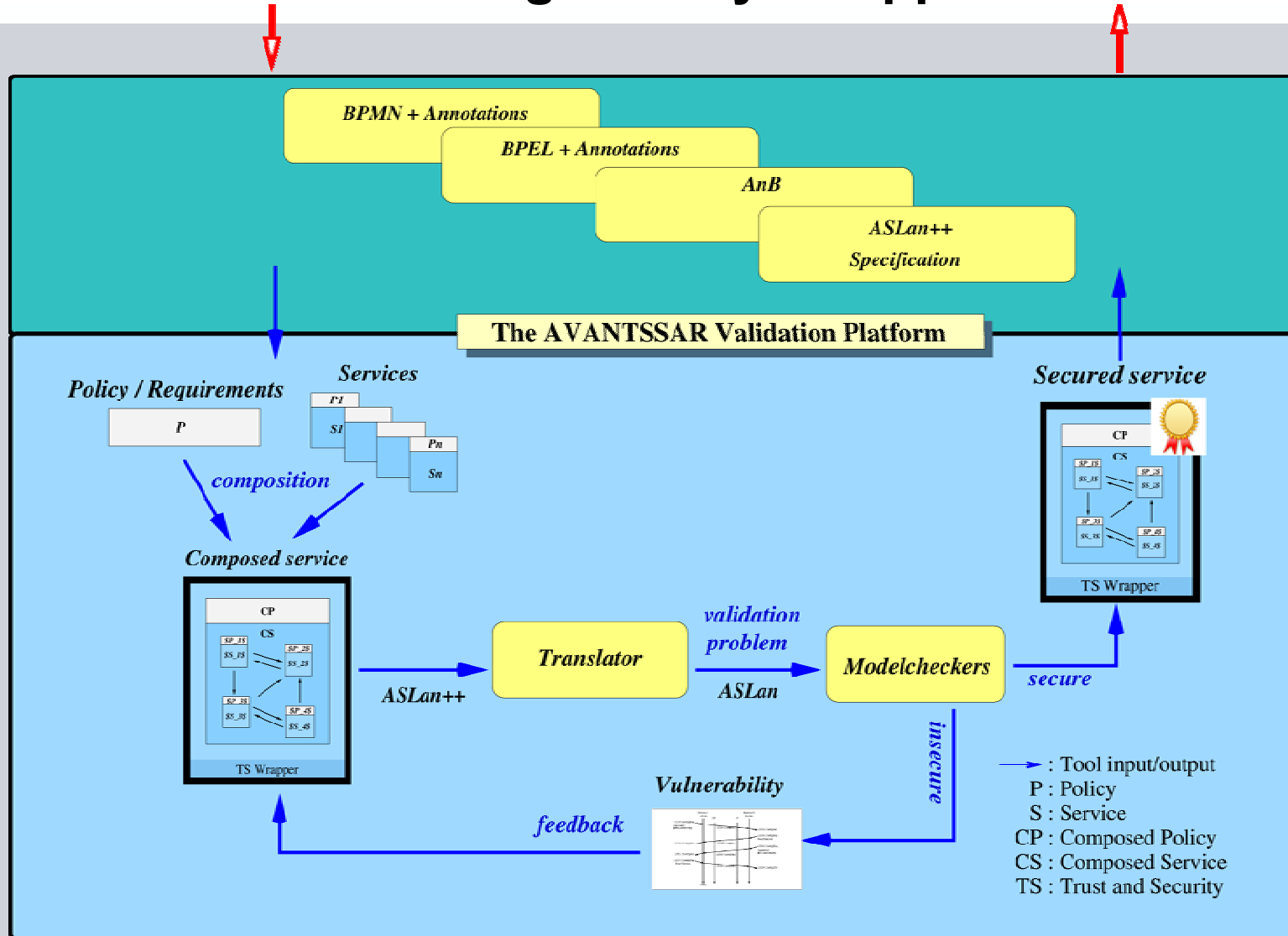
AVANTSSAR product: Platform for formal specification and automated validation of trust and security of SOAs

- **Formal language** for specifying trust and security properties of services, their policies, and their composition into service-oriented architectures
- **Automated toolset** supporting the above
- **Library** of validated industry-relevant case studies

Migration of platform to industry and standardization organizations

- **Speed up development** of new service infrastructures
- **Enhance** their **security** and robustness
- **Increase public acceptance** of SOA-based systems

AVANTSSAR modeling & analysis approach with ASLan++



AVANTSSAR: current status



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WP2: ASLan++ supports the formal specification of trust and security related aspects of SOAs, and of static and dynamic service and policy composition

WP3: Techniques for: satisfiability check of policies, model checking of SOAs w.r.t. dynamic policies, attacker models, compositional reasoning, abstraction

WP4: Second prototype of the **AVANTSSAR Platform**

WP5: Formalization of **industry-relevant problem cases** as ASLan++ specifications and their validation

WP6: **Ongoing dissemination and migration** into scientific community and industry

AVANTSSAR conclusion and industry migration

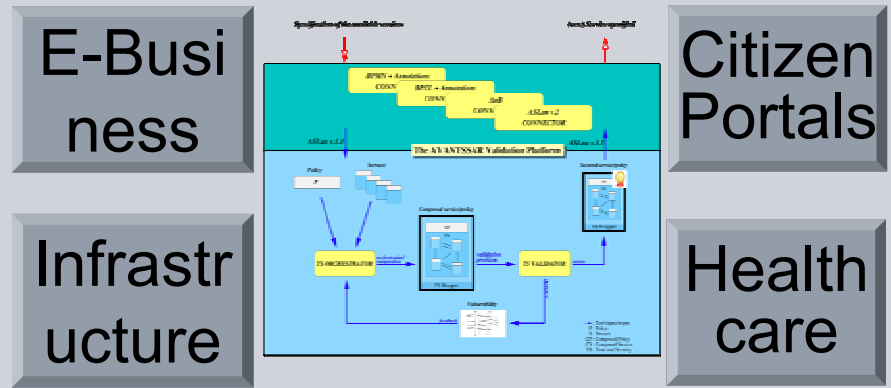
Contemporary SOA has complex structure and security requirements including dynamic trust relations and application-specific policies.

On integration of the AVANTSSAR Platform in industrial development, a rigorous demonstration that the security requirements are fulfilled will:

- assist developers with security architecture, analysis and certification
- increase customers' confidence in modern service-oriented architectures

The AVANTSSAR Platform advances the security of industrial vendors' service offerings: **validated, provable, traceable.**

AVANTSSAR will thus strengthen the competitive advantage of the products of the industrial partners.



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Example 1: ASLan++ model of NSPK_Cert (1): Alice & Bob

```
specification NSPK_Cert
```

```
...
entity Alice (Actor, B: agent) {
  symbols
    Na, Nb: message;
  body {
    if(trusted_pk(B)) {
      Na := fresh();
      Actor -> B: {secret_Na:Na.Actor}_pk(B);
      B -> Actor: {Alice_strong_auth_Bob_on_Na:Na.secret_Nb:?Nb}_pk(Actor);
      Actor -> B: {Bob_strong_auth_Alice_on_Nb:Nb}_pk(B); } }
  }
entity Bob (Actor: agent) {
  symbols
    A: agent;
    Na, Nb: message;
  body {
    ?A -> Actor: {secret_Na:?Na.?A}_pk(Actor); % Bob learns A here!
    if (trusted_pk(A)) {
      Nb := fresh();
      Actor -> A: {Alice_strong_auth_Bob_on_Na:Na.secret_Nb:Nb}_pk(A);
      A -> Actor: {Bob_strong_auth_Alice_on_Nb:Nb}_pk(Actor); } }
  } ...
}
```

Example 1: ASLan++ model of NSPK_Cert (2): certificates

```
specification NSPK_Cert channel_model CCM
entity Environment {
```

symbols

```
trusted_pk(agent) : fact;
trusted_agent(agent) : fact;
root_ca, ca : agent;
issued(message) : fact;
```

macros

```
A->signed(M) = {M}_inv(pk(A)).M;
C->cert(A,PK) = C->signed(C.A.PK); % no validity period etc.
```

clauses

```
trusted_pk_direct(C) :
  trusted_pk(C) :-
  trusted_agent(C);

trusted_pk_cert_chain(A,B) :
  trusted_pk(A) :-
  trusted_pk(B) & issued(B->cert(A,pk(A)));
```

Example 1: ASLan++ model of NSPK_Cert (3): sessions

```

entity Session (A, B: agent) {
  entity Alice (Actor, B: agent) {...}
  entity Bob (Actor: agent) {...}
  body {
    issued(ca->cert(A,pk(A)));
    issued(ca->cert(B,pk(B)));
    new Alice(A,B);
    new Bob(B);
  }
  goals
    secret_Na: {A,B};
    secret_Nb: {A,B};
    Alice_strong_auth_Bob_on_Na: B *->> A;
    Bob_strong_auth_Alice_on_Nb: A *->> B;
}
body { % need two sessions for Lowe's attack
  trusted_agent(root_ca);
  issued(root_ca->cert(ca,pk(ca))); % root-signed CA certificate
  issued(      ca->cert(i ,pk(i ))); % CA-signed intruder cert
  any A B. Session(A,B) where A!=B;
  any A B. Session(A,B) where A!=B; } }

```

ASLan++ language design

▪ Design goals

- **Expressive** enough for *modeling a wide range of SOAs*
- Enable **succinct** specifications, for *minimal handling effort*
- High **abstraction** level, to *reduce model complexity*
- Close to **specification languages** for security protocols and web services
- Close to procedural and object-oriented **programming languages**
- *Minimal learning effort* for **non-expert** modelers

▪ Relation with ASLan

- ASLan++ more **high-level** than ASLan (formerly called IF)
- ASLan++ semantics defined by **translation** to ASLan
- Main differences:

hierarchy of classes

vs. flat transition system

procedural statements

vs. term rewriting rules

high-level security goals

vs. attack states & auxiliary events

ASLan++ features for system modelling

- **Overall structure**
 - Hierarchy and modularity via **entities** (similar to classes)
 - Dynamic entity **instantiation** (with underspecified agents)
 - Parallel **composition** of sequential execution of instances
- **Local declarations**
 - **Types** with subtyping, tuples and generic sets
 - **Constants, functions**, statically scoped instance variables
 - **Horn clauses** describing policies and (limited) deductions
- **Local execution**
 - Classical **control flow** constructs (e.g. if and while)
 - **Cryptographic primitives** and fresh value generation
 - **Pattern matching** (unification modulo some equalities)
 - **Send and receive** instructions with guards
 - **Channels** with security assumptions

ASLan++ features for security property modelling

- **Security goals**
 - **Invariants** (LTL formulas)
 - **Assertions** (LTL formulas)
 - **Secrecy** of values shared among a group of agents
 - Channel goals: **authenticity**, **confidential transmission**, **freshness**, ...
- **Attacker model**
 - Built-in **Dolev-Yao intruder** model
 - Extendible **intruder knowledge**
 - **Dishonest agents** and dynamic compromise of agents
- **Limitations (mostly due to model-checking)**
 - No **term evaluation** (e.g., arithmetic) except very limited equations
 - No notion of **time**
 - No **abstract data types** and visibility modifiers
 - No **object references** except for sets

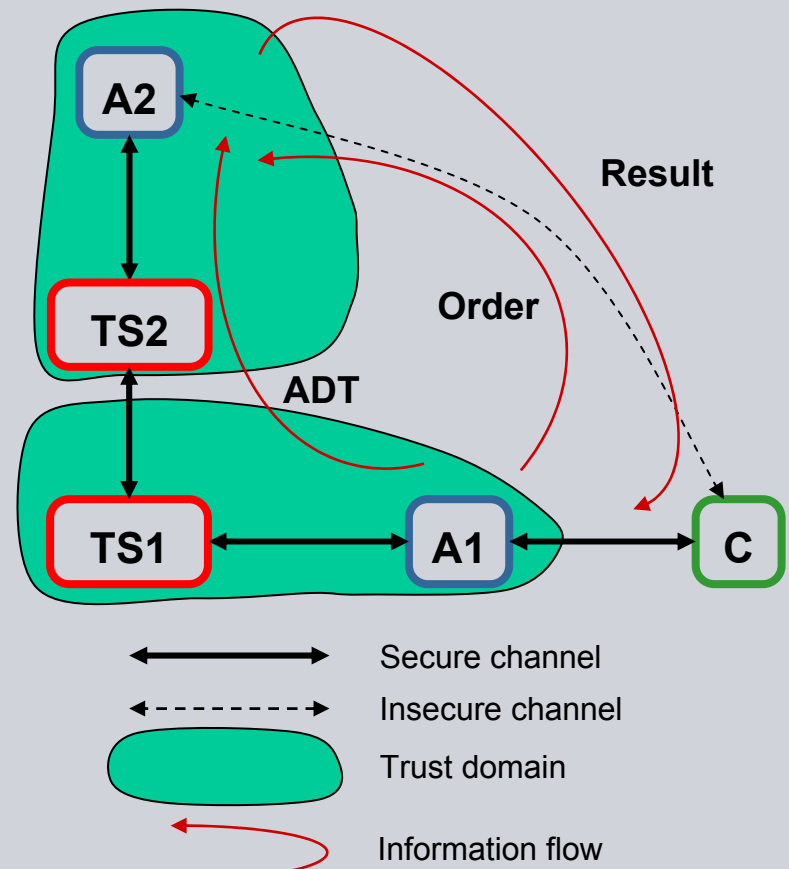
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Backup slides:
further examples

Example 2: Process Task Delegation (PTD)

Authorization and trust management via token passing

- There are three roles in the protocol (**C**, **A**, **TS**) and potentially several instances for each role
- The *client C* (or *user*) uses the system for authorization and trust management, e.g. SSO
- Each *application A* is in one domain, each domain has exactly one active *trust server TS*
- **A1** uses the system to pass to **A2** some **Order** and an **ADT** (**Authorization Decision Token**)
 - **Order** contains:
 - workflow task information
 - application data
 - information about the client **C** and his current activity to be delivered securely (integrity and confidentiality)
 - **ADT** is mainly authorization *attributes* and *decisions*
 - sent via **TS1** and **TS2**, who may weaken it
 - must remain unaltered, apart from weakening by **TS**
 - must remain confidential among intended parties
- **C**, **A1**, and **A2** must be authenticated among each other

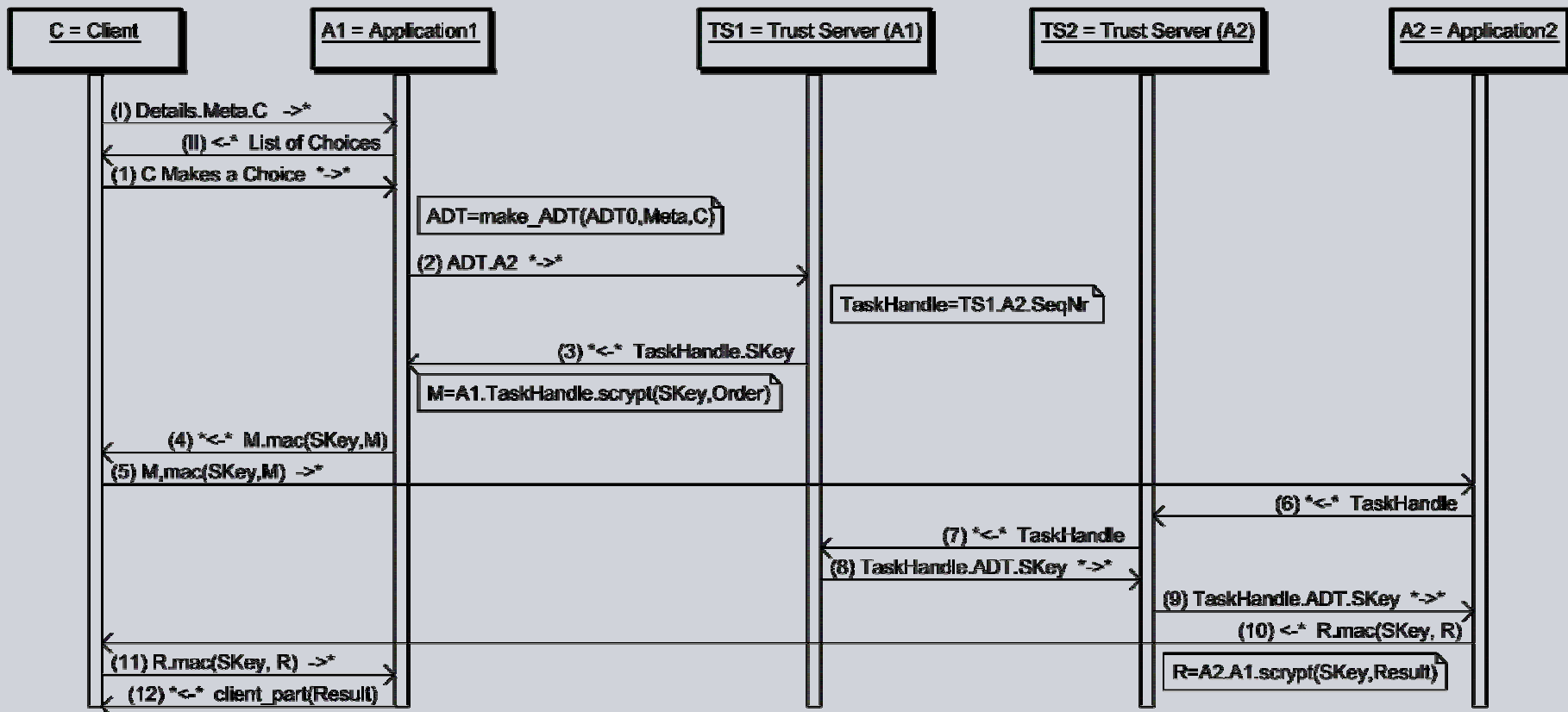


Security prerequisites:

- PKI is used for **A** and **TS**, username & pwd for **C**
- The **TS** enforce a strict time-out

Example 2: Message Sequence Chart of PTD

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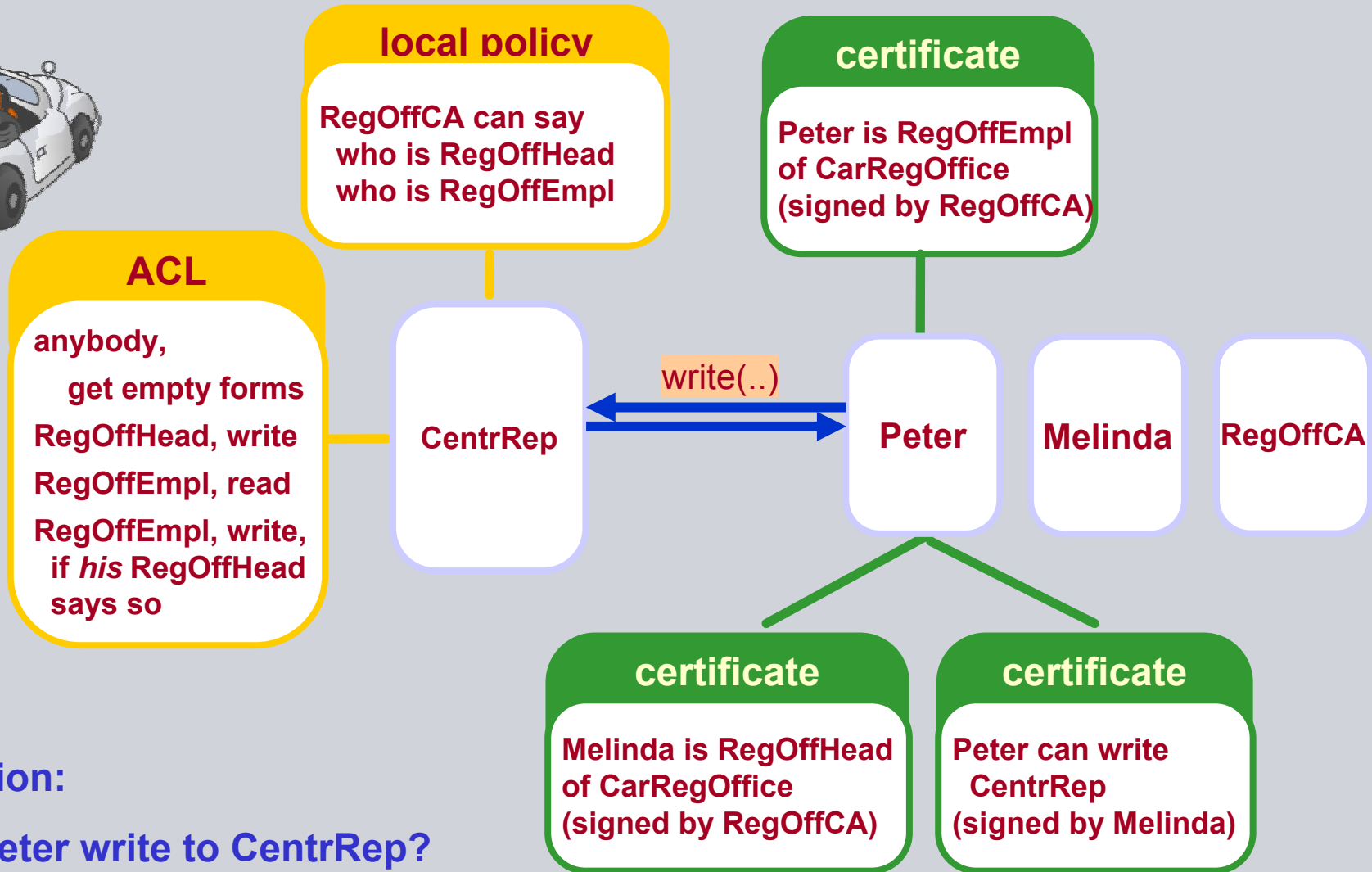
Example 2: ASLan++ model of PTD Application A2

```

entity A2 (Actor: agent, TS2: agent) { % Application 2, connected with Trust Server 2
  symbols
    C0,C,A1: agent;
    CryptedOrder, Order, Details, Results, TaskHandle, ADT, MAC: message;
    SKey: symmetric_key;
  body { while (true) {
    select {
      % A2 receives (via some C0) a package from some A1. This package includes encrypted and
      % hashed information. A2 needs the corresponding key and the Authorization Decision Token.
      on (?C0 -> Actor: (?A1.Actor.?TaskHandle.?CryptedOrder).?MAC): {
        % A2 contacts its own ticket server (TS2) and requests the secret key SKey and the ADT.
        Actor *->* TS2: TaskHandle;
      }
      % A2 receives from A1 the SKey and checks if the decrypted data corresponds to the hashed data
      on (TS2 *->* Actor: (?ADT.?SKey).TaskHandle & CryptedOrder = scrypt(SKey,?,?Details.?C)
        & MAC = hash(SKey, A1.Actor.TaskHandle.CryptedOrder)): {
        % A2 does the task requested by A1, then sends to A1 via C the results encrypted with the secret key.
        Results := fresh(); % in general, the result depends on Details etc.
        Actor -> C: Actor.C.A1. scrypt(SKey,Results);
      }
    }
  }
  goals
    authentic_C_A2_Details: C *-> Actor: Details;
    secret_Order: secret (Order, {Actor, A1});
  }

```

Example 3: Electronic Car Registration policies



Question:

May Peter write to CentrRep?

Example 3: On-the-fly inferences via Horn clauses

DKAL-style trust inference, e.g. trust application:

```
trustapp(P,Q,Anything) :
  P->knows(Anything) :-
    P->trusts(Q,Anything) &
    P->knows(Q->said(Anything));
```

Basic facts, e.g. the central repository fully trusts the CA

```
centrRepTrustCA(Anything) :
  centrRep->trusts(theCA,Anything);
```

State-dependent (evolving) facts, e.g. department head manages a set of trusted employees:

```
trustedEmplsCanStoreDoc(Head) : forall Empl.
  Head->knows(Empl->canStoreDoc) :-
    contains(TrustedEmpls, Empl);
```

Use of certificates, e.g. the central repository trusts the department head on employee's rights:

```
centrRepTrustHead(Head, Empl) :
  centrRep->trusts(Head, Empl->canStoreDoc) :-
    centrRep->knows(theCA->said(Head->hasRole(head))) &
    centrRep->knows(theCA->said(Empl->hasRole(employee)));
```

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Backup slides:
ASLan

Semantics of channel goals as LTL formulas

A channel goal requiring authentication, directedness, freshness, and confidentiality:

```
secure_Alice_Payload_Bob: A *->>* B: Payload;
```

On the sender side: Actor -> B: ...Payload...;

```
witness(Actor, B, auth_Alice_Payload_Bob, Payload);
secret(Payload, secr_Alice_Payload_Bob, {Actor, B});
```

On the receiver side: A -> Actor: ...?Payload...;

```
request(Actor, A, auth_Alice_Payload_Bob, Payload, IID);
secret(Payload, secr_Alice_Payload_Bob, {A, Actor});
```

Semantics of the **authentication** and **directedness** part:

```
forall A, B, P, M, IID. [] (request(B, A, P, M, IID) =>
  (<-> (witness(A, B, P, M) | (dishonest(A) & iknows(M))))
```

Semantics of the **freshness** (replay protection) part:

```
forall A, B, P, M, IID IID'. [] (request(B, A, P, M, IID) =>
  (!(<-> (request(B, A, P, M, IID') & !(IID=IID'))) | dishonest(A)))
```

Semantics of the **confidentiality** part:

```
forall M, P, As. [] ((secret(M, P, As) & iknows(M)) => contains(i, As))
```

Optimization: Merging transitions on translation

A series of transmission and internal computation ASLan++ commands like

```
receive(A, ?M);
N := fresh();
send(A, N);
```

could be translated into individual ASLan transitions like:

```
state_entity(Actor, IID, 1, dummy, dummy) . iknows(M) =>
state_entity(Actor, IID, 2, M, dummy)

state_entity(Actor, IID, 2, M, dummy) =[exists N]=>
state_entity(Actor, IID, 3, M, N)

state_entity(Actor, IID, 3, M, N) =>
state_entity(Actor, IID, 4, M, N) . iknows(N)
```

but can be `compressed` into a single atomic ASLan transition:

```
state_entity(Actor, IID, 1, dummy, dummy) . iknows(M) =[exists N]=>
state_entity(Actor, IID, 4, M, N) . iknows(N)
```

Even internal computations containing loops etc. can be `glued together` to avoid interleaving. This dramatically reduces the search space because a lot of useless branching is avoided.

Example 1: ASLan model of NSPK (1): types, functions

```
% Specification: NSPK
% Channel model: CCM
% Goals as attack states: yes
% Orchestration client: N/A
% Horn clauses level: ALL
% Optimization level: LUMP
% Stripped output (no comments and line information): no
section signature:
  message > text
  ak : agent -> public_key
  ck : agent -> public_key
  defaultPseudonym : agent -> agent
  descendant : nat * nat -> fact
  dishonest : agent -> fact
  isAgent : agent -> fact
  pk : agent -> public_key
  secr_Alice_Bob_PayloadA_set : nat -> set(agent)
  secr_Bob_Alice_PayloadB_set : nat -> set(agent)
  secret_Na_set : nat -> set(agent)
  secret_Nb_set : nat -> set(agent)
  sign : private_key * message -> message
  state_Alice : agent * nat * nat * agent * text * text * text * text -> fact
  state_Bob : agent * nat * nat * agent * text * text * text * text -> fact
  state_Environment : agent * nat * nat -> fact
  state_Session : agent * nat * nat * agent * agent -> fact
```

Example 1: ASLan model of NSPK (2): constants, variables

```

section types:
  A : agent
  Actor : agent
  Ak_arg_1 : agent
  B : agent
  Ck_arg_1 : agent
  Descendant_Closure_arg_1 : nat
  Descendant_Closure_arg_2 : nat
  Descendant_Closure_arg_3 : nat
  E_S_A_Actor : agent
  E_S_A_B : agent
  E_S_A_IID : nat
  E_S_A_SL : nat
  E_S_Actor : agent
  E_S_B_A : agent
  E_S_B_A_1 : agent
  E_S_B_A_2 : agent
  E_S_B_Actor : agent
  E_S_B_IID : nat
  E_S_B_Na : text
  E_S_B_Na_1 : text
  E_S_B_Nb : text
  E_S_B_Nb_1 : text
  E_S_B_PayloadA : text
  E_S_B_PayloadA_1 : text
  E_S_B_PayloadB : text
  E_S_B_PayloadB_1 : text
  E_S_B_SL : nat
  E_S_IID : nat
  E_S_SL : nat
  E_aABPA_IID : nat
  E_aABPA_Msg : message
  E_aABPA_Req : agent
  E_aABPA_Wit : agent
  E_aBAPB_IID : nat
  E_aBAPB_Msg : message
  E_sABPA_Knowers : set(agent)
  E_sABPA_Msg : message
  E_sBAPB_Knowers : set(agent)
  E_sBAPB_Msg : message
  E_sN_Knowers : set(agent)
  E_sN_Msg : message
  IID : nat
  IID_1 : nat
  IID_2 : nat
  IID_3 : nat
  IID_4 : nat
  Knowers : set(agent)
  Msg : message
  Na : text
  Na_1 : text
  Nb : text
  Nb_1 : text
  PayloadA : text
  PayloadA_1 : text
  PayloadB : text
  PayloadB_1 : text
  Pk_arg_1 : agent
  Req : agent
  SL : nat
  Sign_arg_1 : private_key
  Sign_arg_2 : message
  Wit : agent
  a : agent
  atag : text
  auth_Alice_Bob_PayloadA
    : protocol_id
  auth_Bob_Alice_PayloadB
    : protocol_id
  b : agent
  ctag : text
  dummy_agent : agent
  dummy_nat : nat
  dummy_text : text
  false : fact
  secr_Alice_Bob_PayloadA
    : protocol_id
  secr_Bob_Alice_PayloadB
    : protocol_id
  secret_Na : protocol_id
  secret_Nb : protocol_id
  stag : text
  true : fact

```

Example 1: ASLan model of NSPK (3): initial state, clauses

section inits:

```
initial_state init :=
  dishonest(i).
  iknows(a).
  iknows(atag).
  iknows(b).
  iknows(ctag).
  iknows(i).
  iknows(inv(ak(i))).
  iknows(inv(ck(i))).
  iknows(inv(pk(i))).
  iknows(stag).
  isAgent(a).
  isAgent(b).
  isAgent(i).
  state_Environment(
    dummy_agent,
    dummy_nat, 1).
true
```

section hornClauses:

```
hc public_ck(Ck_arg_1) :=
  iknows(ck(Ck_arg_1)) :-
  iknows(Ck_arg_1)

hc public_ak(Ak_arg_1) :=
  iknows(ak(Ak_arg_1)) :-
  iknows(Ak_arg_1)

hc public_pk(Pk_arg_1) :=
  iknows(pk(Pk_arg_1)) :-
  iknows(Pk_arg_1)

hc public_sign(Sign_arg_1, Sign_arg_2) :=
  iknows(sign(Sign_arg_1, Sign_arg_2)) :-
  iknows(Sign_arg_1),
  iknows(Sign_arg_2)

hc inv_sign(Sign_arg_1, Sign_arg_2) :=
  iknows(Sign_arg_2) :-
  iknows(sign(Sign_arg_1, Sign_arg_2))

hc descendant_closure(Descendant_Closure_arg_1,
  Descendant_Closure_arg_2, Descendant_Closure_arg_3) :=
  descendant(Descendant_Closure_arg_1,
    Descendant_Closure_arg_3) :-
  descendant(Descendant_Closure_arg_1,
    Descendant_Closure_arg_2),
  descendant(Descendant_Closure_arg_2,
    Descendant_Closure_arg_3)
```

Example 1: ASLan model of NSPK (4): transition rules

section rules:

```
% line 75
% new instance
%   new Session(a,b)
% lumped line 76 (skipped step label 2)
% new instance
%   new Session(a,i)
step step_1_Environment__line_75(Actor, IID, IID_1, IID_2) :=
  state_Environment(Actor, IID, 1)
  =[exists IID_1, IID_2]=>
  descendant(IID, IID_1).
  descendant(IID, IID_2).
  state_Environment(Actor, IID, 3).
  state_Session(dummy_agent, IID_1, 1, a, b).
  state_Session(dummy_agent, IID_2, 1, a, i)

% line 62
% guard
%   !dishonest(A)
% lumped line 63 (skipped step label 2)
% new instance
%   new Alice(A,B)
step step_2_Session__line_62(A, B, E_S_Actor, E_S_IID, IID_3) :=
  not(dishonest(A)).
  state_Session(E_S_Actor, E_S_IID, 1, A, B)
  =[exists IID_3]=>
  descendant(E_S_IID, IID_3).
  state_Alice(A, IID_3, 1, B, dummy_text, dummy_text, dummy_text, dummy_text).
  state_Session(E_S_Actor, E_S_IID, 3, A, B)
```

... (some 5 more pages of rules)

Example 1: ASLan model of NSPK (5): goals

section goals:

```
attack_state auth_Alice_Bob_PayloadA(E_aABPA_IID, E_aABPA_Msg, E_aABPA_Req, E_aABPA_Wit) :=
  not(witness(E_aABPA_Wit, E_aABPA_Req, auth_Alice_Bob_PayloadA, E_aABPA_Msg)).
  request(E_aABPA_Req, E_aABPA_Wit, auth_Alice_Bob_PayloadA, E_aABPA_Msg, E_aABPA_IID) &
  not(equal(i, E_aABPA_Wit))
```

```
attack_state auth_Bob_Alice_PayloadB(E_aBAPB_IID, E_aBAPB_Msg, Req, Wit) :=
  not(witness(Wit, Req, auth_Bob_Alice_PayloadB, E_aBAPB_Msg)).
  request(Req, Wit, auth_Bob_Alice_PayloadB, E_aBAPB_Msg, E_aBAPB_IID) &
  not(equal(i, Wit))
```

```
attack_state secr_Alice_Bob_PayloadA(E_sABPA_Knowers, E_sABPA_Msg) :=
  iknows(E_sABPA_Msg).
  not(contains(i, E_sABPA_Knowers)).
  secret(E_sABPA_Msg, secr_Alice_Bob_PayloadA, E_sABPA_Knowers)
```

```
attack_state secr_Bob_Alice_PayloadB(E_sBAPB_Knowers, E_sBAPB_Msg) :=
  iknows(E_sBAPB_Msg).
  not(contains(i, E_sBAPB_Knowers)).
  secret(E_sBAPB_Msg, secr_Bob_Alice_PayloadB, E_sBAPB_Knowers)
```

```
attack_state secret_Na(Knowers, Msg) :=
  iknows(Msg).
  not(contains(i, Knowers)).
  secret(Msg, secret_Na, Knowers)
```

```
attack_state secret_Nb(E_sN_Knowers, E_sN_Msg) :=
  iknows(E_sN_Msg).
  not(contains(i, E_sN_Knowers)).
  secret(E_sN_Msg, secret_Nb, E_sN_Knowers)
```