On the Connection between Leakage Tolerance and Adaptive Security

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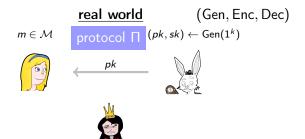
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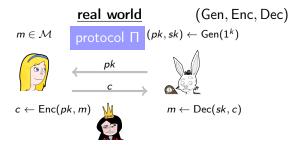


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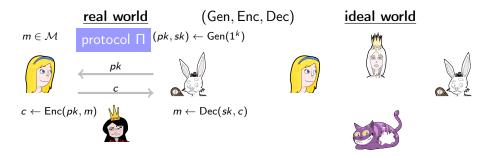


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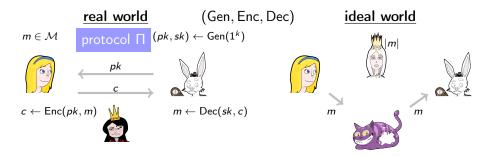


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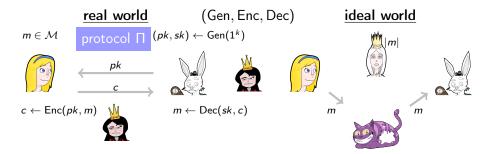
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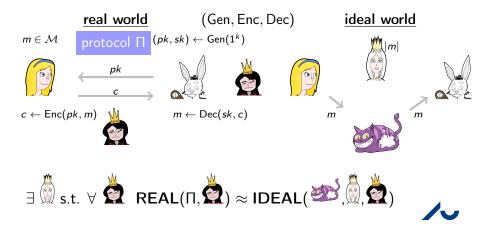


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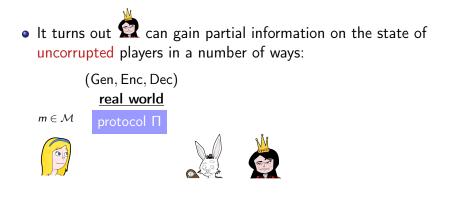
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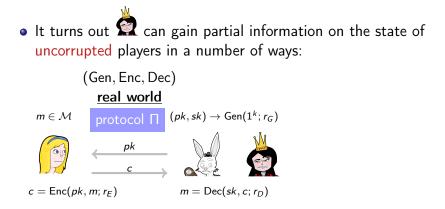
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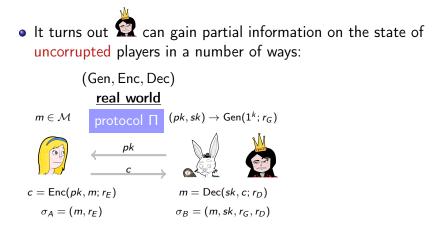


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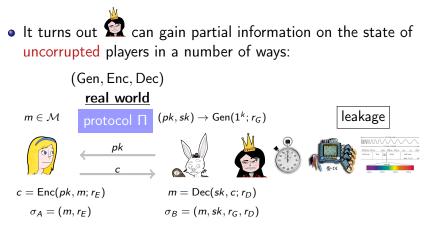
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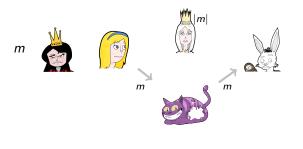
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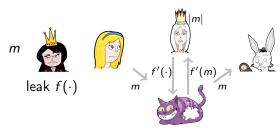
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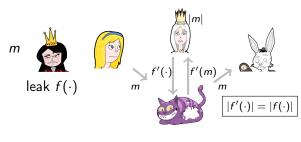
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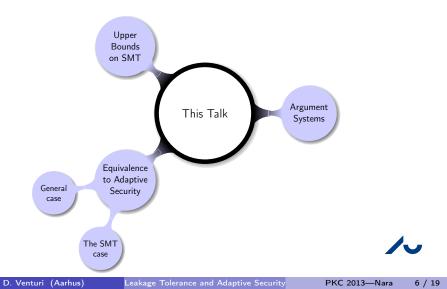
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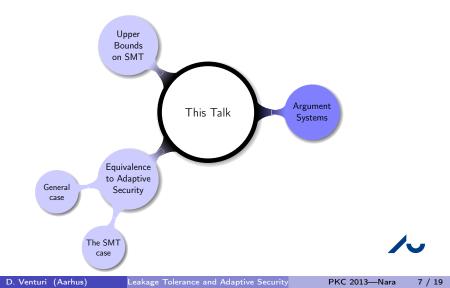
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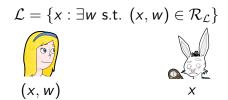
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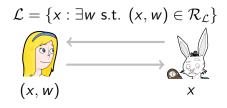
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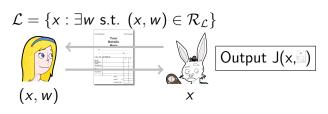


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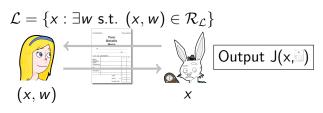


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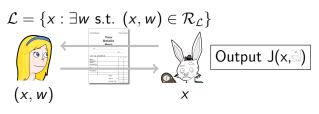
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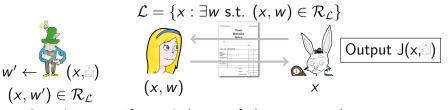
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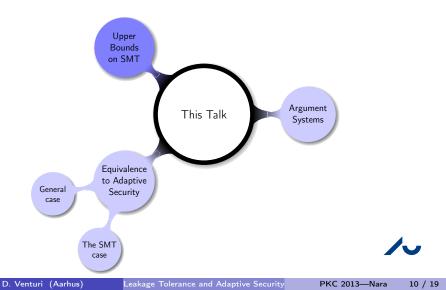
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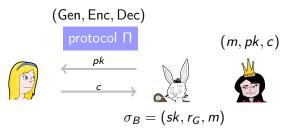
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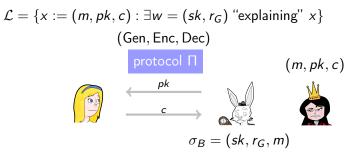




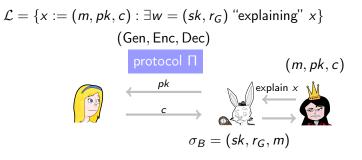




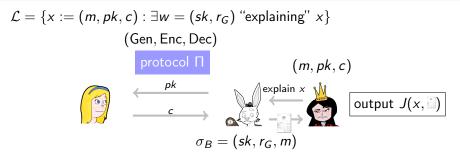




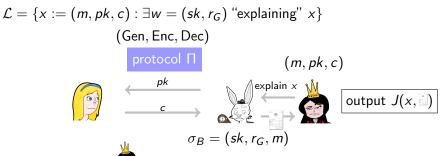
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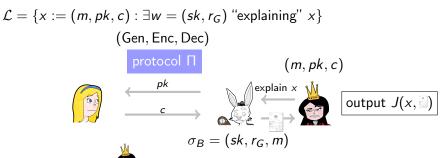
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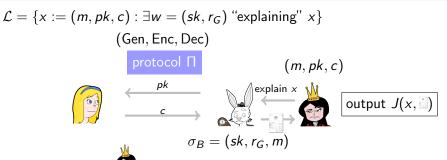


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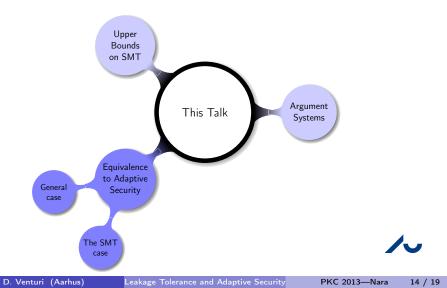
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