



Formal certification of code-based cryptographic proofs.

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resumen:

As cryptographic proofs have become essentially unverifiable, cryptographers have argued in favor of systematically structuring proofs as sequences of games. Code-based techniques form an instance of this approach that takes a code-centric view of games, and that relies on programming language theory to justify steps in the proof--transitions between games. While these techniques contribute to increase confidence in the security of cryptographic systems, code-based proofs involve such a large palette of concepts from different fields that machine-verified proofs seem necessary to achieve the highest degree of confidence. In an inspiring paper, Halevi convincingly argued that a tool assisting in the construction and verification of proofs is necessary to solve the crisis with cryptographic proofs.

CertiCrypt is a framework to construct machine-checked code-based proofs in the Coq proof assistant. CertiCrypt achieves many goals of Halevi's ideal tool. At the same time, it brings a formal semanticist perspective on the design of the tool, and in particular ensures the highest guarantees with the smallest trusted base. The main characteristics of CertiCrypt are:

- * Direct and faithful encoding of code-based techniques.
- * Support for code-based proofs.
- * Complete and independently verifiable proofs.

The talk shall describe the design of CertiCrypt and its applications to machine-checked proofs of encryption and signature schemes.

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