## Formal Abstractions for Attested Execution Secure Processors

Eurocrypt May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

Rafael Pass, Elaine Shi, Florian Tramèr













- "Minimal" trusted hardware to circumvent theoretical impossibilities
- Little concern about practical performance

- Trusted execution of "general-purpose" userdefined progs
- Cost-effectiveness, reusability, expressivity

#### Architecture community converged on "attested execution"



#### Architecture community converged on "attested execution"

# What is **"attested** execution" ?

What can it (not) express?









### Why Ideal Abstractions?

## Why Ideal Abstractions?

 Formal security proofs for implementations from precise abstractions and security models

## Why Ideal Abstractions?

 Formal security proofs for implementations from precise abstractions and security models

• Ultimate Goal: Formally verified processor implementing this formal abstraction

















Model  $G_{att}$  as global ideal functionality [CDPW'07]

Model  $G_{att}$  as *global* ideal functionality [CDPW'07]

#### Attestation key is *shared* across protocols



Model  $G_{att}$  as global ideal functionality [CDPW'07]



Model  $G_{att}$  as *global* ideal functionality [CDPW'07]

## **Example of concrete security issue:**

Non-deniability for parties in reg



#### The more interesting question

# What is "attested execution" ?

What can it (not) express?



#### Powerful Abstraction!





#### Powerful Abstraction!

G<sub>att</sub> → "Stateful Obfuscation"
Impossible even with stateless tokens and cryptographic obfuscation





The surprise

#### Powerful Abstraction!

G<sub>att</sub> → "Stateful Obfuscation"
Impossible even with stateless tokens and cryptographic obfuscation

#### **UC-Secure MPC?**





#### Powerful Abstraction!

G<sub>att</sub> → "Stateful Obfuscation"
Impossible even with stateless tokens and cryptographic obfuscation

#### **UC-Secure MPC?**

#### It's Complicated





#### Powerful Abstraction!

G<sub>att</sub> → "Stateful Obfuscation" Impossible even with stateless tokens and cryptographic obfuscation

#### **UC-Secure MPC?**

#### It's Complicated

#### Consider 2PC









# UC-secure 2PC possible if both parties have trusted hardware







# UC-secure 2PC possible if both parties have trusted hardware



## Impossible if only one party has trusted hardware!




### This is counter-intuitive.



## Impossible if only one party has trusted hardware!

### Issue: non-deniability



## Issue: non-deniability

#### Convinced that some honest party in the registry participated in the protocol





### Non-issue if all nodes have trusted hardware or if pk isn't global

#### Convinced that some honest party in the registry participated in the protocol





**Extra setup assumption: Augmented CRS** 

**Extra setup assumption: Augmented CRS** 

UC-Secure MPC with O(1) crypto operations

**Extra setup assumption: Augmented CRS** 

UC-Secure MPC with O(1) crypto operations

Backdoor enclave program: allow simulator to extract inputs and program the outputs for corrupt parties





















## Fair 2PC

• Fairness impossible for general functionalities in plain model [Cleve86]

## Fair 2PC

### Can trusted hardware help with fairness?

 Fairness impossible for general functionalities in plain model [Cleve86]

## Fair 2PC

Enhanced model: Clock-aware secure processor



Enhanced model: Clock-aware secure processor



 Fair 2PC possible if both parties have clockaware secure processors

Enhanced model: Clock-aware secure processor



- Fair 2PC possible if both parties have clockaware secure processors
- Fair coin-tossing possible if one party has clockaware secure processors (+ ACRS)

Enhanced model: Clock-aware secure processor



- Fair 2PC possible if both parties have clockaware secure processors
- Fair coin-tossing possible if one party has clockaware secure processors (+ ACRS)





#### Enclaves establish secure channel



#### Enclaves exchange inputs and compute outputs





"Will release to Alice in  $2^{\lambda}$  time"

"Will release to Bob in 2<sup>\lambda</sup> time"







## If Alice learns result at time **t < 2<sup>λ</sup>**, Bob will learn it at the latest by time **2t**

### + no "wasted" computation!



"Will release to Alice in 2<sup>λ-1</sup> time"



"Will release to Bob in  $2^{\lambda-1}$  time"

Formal abstractions of trusted hw

### Attested execution is a powerful assumption

⇒ Stateful Obfuscation, Efficient MPC, Fair 2PC



Formal abstractions of trusted hw

Attested execution is a powerful assumption

⇒ Stateful Obfuscation, Efficient MPC, Fair 2PC

Subtle issues unless all parties have trusted hardware

⇒ Non-deniability, Extra setup assumptions



Formal abstractions of trusted hw



Attested execution is a powerful assumption

⇒ Stateful Obfuscation, Efficient MPC, Fair 2PC

Subtle issues unless all parties have trusted hardware  $\Rightarrow$  Non-deniability, Extra setup assumptions

Formal abstractions of trusted hw Formally verified secure processor design



Attested execution is a powerful assumption

⇒ Stateful Obfuscation, Efficient MPC, Fair 2PC

Subtle issues unless all parties have trusted hardware  $\Rightarrow$  Non-deniability, Extra setup assumptions



## Thank You

