

**Assignment 6: Problems on Trusting Trust**  
**15-316 Software Foundations of Security and Privacy**

Due: **11:59pm**, Friday 12/11. **No late days!**

Total Points: 50

1. **A speaks for B (15 points)**. Suppose that mfredrik wishes to *delegate* his authority to claim students using `studentOf(x, mfredrik)` to his assistant bcook, so that statements of the form `bcook says studentOf(x, mfredrik)` are treated the same as statements of the form `mfredrik says studentOf(x, mfredrik)`.

- **Part 1 (5 points)**. Write an authorization logic policy formula  $Q_d$  that accomplishes this.
- **Part 2 (10 points)**. Use your policy from Part 1, in addition to the formula wherein bcook says that urvia is a student of mfredrik, i.e.  $Q_b \equiv \text{bcook says studentOf(urvia, mfredrik)}$ , to prove the judgement below.

$$Q_d, Q_b \vdash \text{mfredrik says studentOf(urvia, mfredrik)}$$

2. **Rooting out trust (20 points).** In the questions below, you can use the following identifiers to denote the relevant formulas.

$$Q_1 \equiv \text{isKey}(ca, pk_{ca})$$

$$Q_2 \equiv \text{sign}_{sk_{ca}}(\text{isKey}(tpm, pk_{tpm}))$$

$$Q_3 \equiv \text{sign}_{sk_{tpm}}(\text{isKey}(os, pk_{os}))$$

$$Q_4 \equiv \text{sign}_{sk_{mfredrik}}(\forall x. (os \text{ says } read(x)) \rightarrow (mfredrik \text{ says } read(x)))$$

$$Q_5 \equiv \text{sign}_{sk_{os}}(\text{read}('15316-grades.xlsx'))$$

$$Q_6 \equiv \forall x. (tpm \text{ says } \text{isKey}(x, pk_x)) \rightarrow \text{isKey}(x, pk_x)$$

$$Q_7 \equiv \text{isCA}(ca)$$

$$Q_8 \equiv \text{isKey}(mfredrik, pk_{mfredrik})$$

**Part 1 (10 points).** Which formulas are needed to establish the authenticity of the TPM's public key ( $pk_{tpm}$ ), and which are needed to authenticate the operating system's, i.e. to prove that  $\text{isKey}(tpm, pk_{tpm})$  and  $\text{isKey}(tpm, pk_{os})$ ?

**Part 2 (10 points).** It is possible that the network connection between `mfredrik`'s laptop and the file server cannot be trusted, and that a nefarious party is able to intercept, modify, or drop any messages sent between the two. Explain how the scheme outlined in Section 5 of lecture 24 is vulnerable to a replay attack, and how this vulnerability could be addressed.

3. **Countersignatures (15 points)**. It is common practice in PKI to have the CA issue weaker certificates that rely on a *countersignature* for verification. So suppose that *ca* is the certificate authority and *cs* is the countersigner. Then *ca* might issue a certificate to *cmu* that consists of the following.

$$\text{sign}_{\text{sk}_{ca}}(\text{cs says isKey}(\text{cmu}, \text{pk}_{\text{cmu}}) \rightarrow \text{isKey}(\text{cmu}, \text{pk}_{\text{cmu}})) \quad (1)$$

Then *cs* must issue a second certificate, which comes with an expiration date.

$$\text{sign}_{\text{sk}_{cs}}(\text{isbefore}(\text{exp}) \rightarrow \text{isKey}(\text{cmu}, \text{pk}_{\text{cmu}})) \quad (2)$$

Explain how one can verify the authenticity of  $\text{pk}_{\text{cmu}}$  from (1) and (2), along with assumptions  $\Gamma = \text{isCA}(ca), \text{isKey}(cs, \text{pk}_{cs}), \text{isbefore}(\text{exp})$ . That is, prove the following judgement:

$$\Gamma, (1), (2) \vdash \text{ca says isKey}(\text{cmu}, \text{pk}_{\text{cmu}})$$