

Verification Across Intellectual Property Boundaries

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Background & Organization

Joint work with Christian Schallhart & Helmut Veith

- Verification Across Intellectual Property Boundaries. [CAV 2007](#): 82-94
- Verification across Intellectual Property Boundaries. ACM Trans. Softw. Eng. Methodol. 22(2): 15 (2013)
- Verification Across Intellectual Property Boundaries. [CoRR abs/cs/0701187](#) (2007)

Slides from earlier presentations by Christian and Helmut

- Part I: Motivation and Overview
- Part II: Details of the Protocol
- Part III: Conclusions

Verification Across Intellectual Property Boundaries

Part I: Motivation and Overview

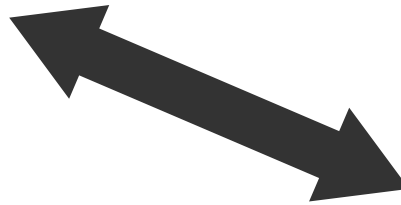


Trust in Verification

Classical verification scenario assumes trust

Software Author

... trusts the verification people don't leak source code to third parties



Verification Engineer

... trusts he gets to verify actual production code

Realistic scenario ? Works well when software author and verification engineer belong to same organization. How about other cases?

Software-Intensive Technology



Microprocessors

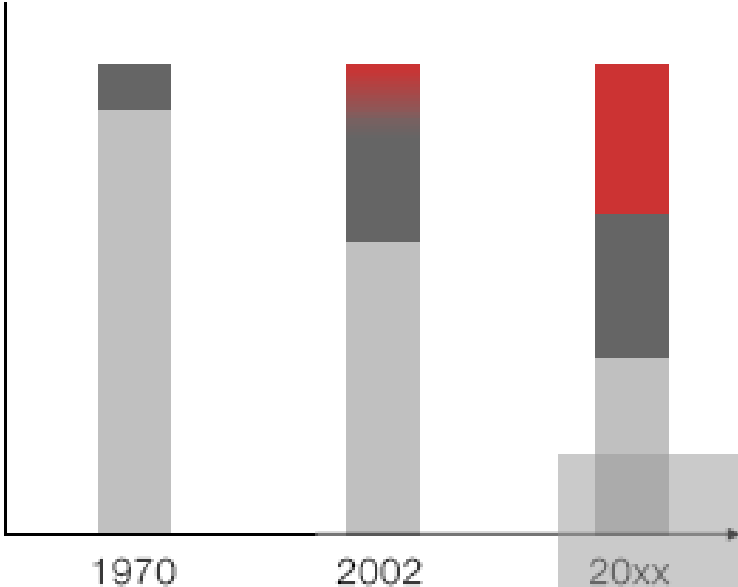
100 billion in use
90% in embedded systems
40 in each US household
70 in each BMW 745i



Software Added Value

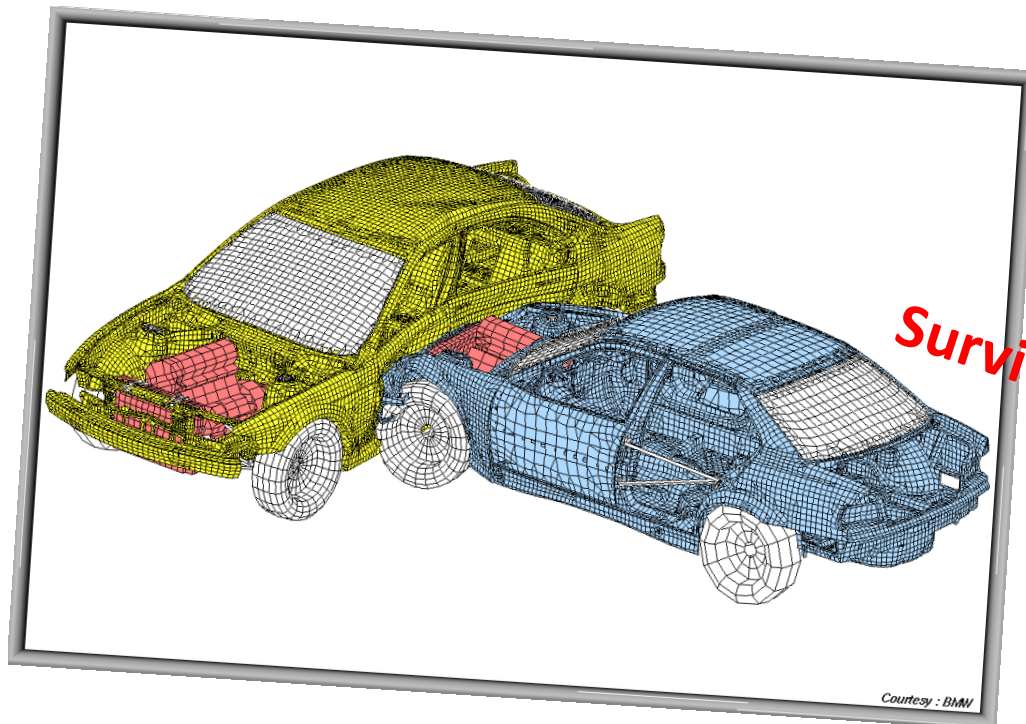
Added value
in automobile
manufacturing

- Software
- Electronics
- Mechanics



Real Time
Safety Critical
Fault Tolerant
Hybrid

Critical Software Quality



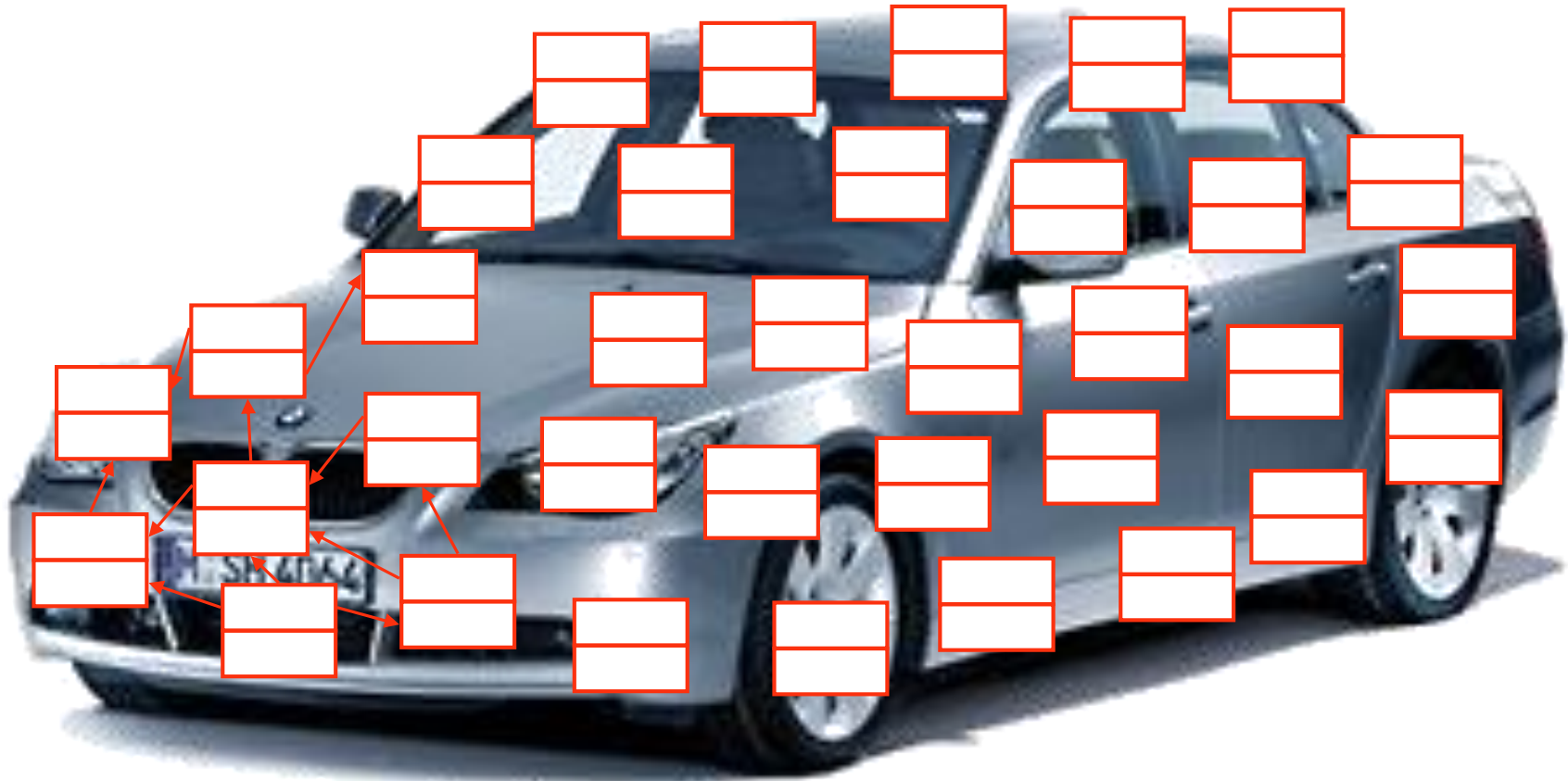
Survival of the passengers
... and the company.

Formal methods and (semi)automated verification.

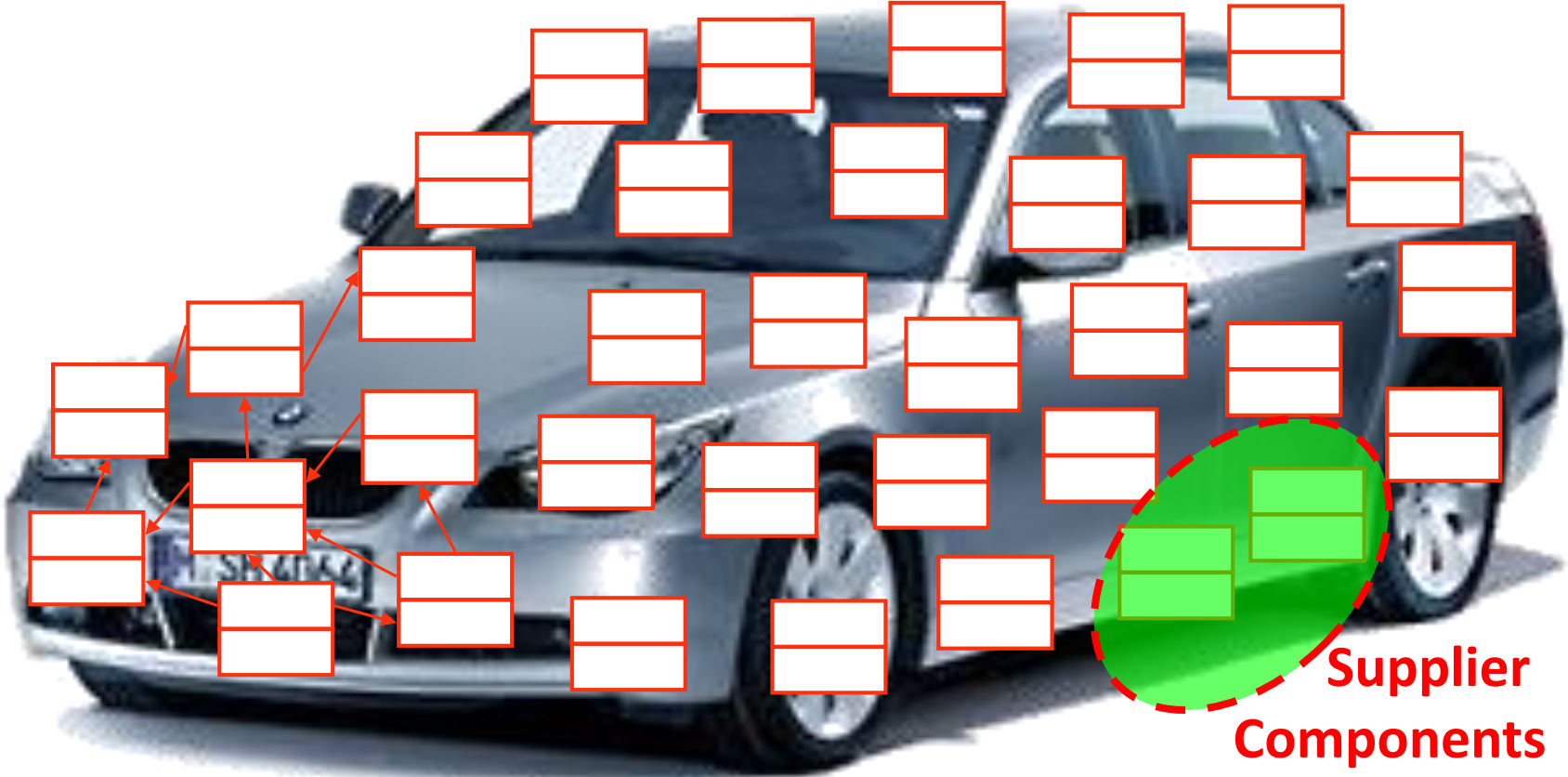


Assembly from Components

Deep Supply Chains



Verification Barrier



Who verifies suppliers' components ?

Supplier Components

- CD player software
- engine control
- adaptive cruise control

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Intellectual Property

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Car Manufacturer



Microsoft's SLAM

run in kernel mode
written by hardware companies
proprietary source code
error prone



Windows
device drivers

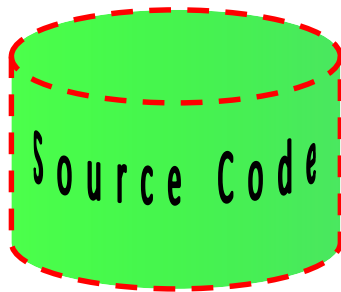
SLAM / SDV helps to find many errors

What is the assurance that developers / companies
use SDV in practice ?

The IP Verification Barrier

Supplier

produces a component



Executable

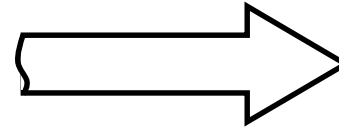
delivers executable

hides source code

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Customer

purchases component



receives executable

needs assurance

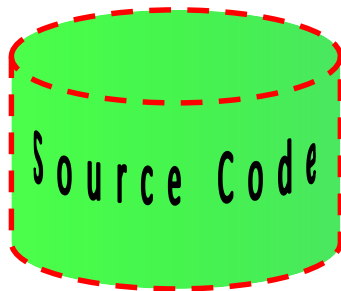
*Verification without revealing
the source code ?*



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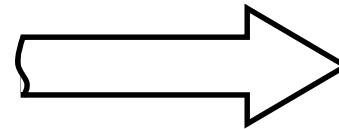
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Binary Analysis

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receives executable

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Limited application scope.

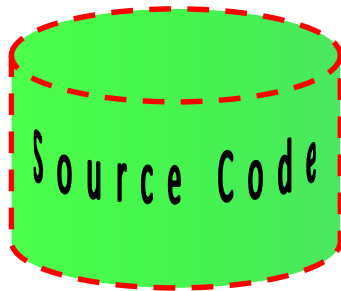
Legal Issues.



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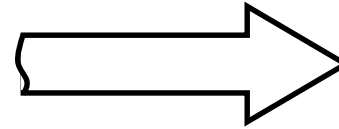
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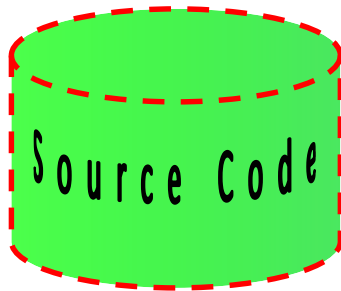


Leaks information about source code.

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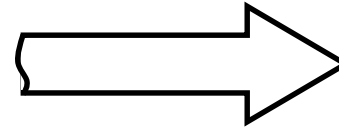
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Zero Knowledge Proofs ?

Proofs leak information.

Require knowledge of source structure.

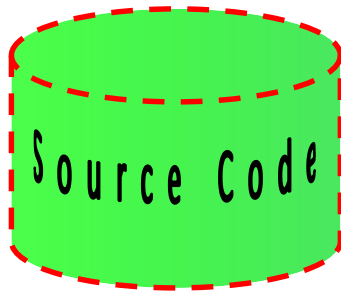
Restricted to Isabel & cousins.



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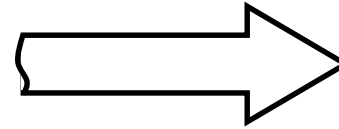
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Secure Multiparty Computation ?

Tailored for single use applications.

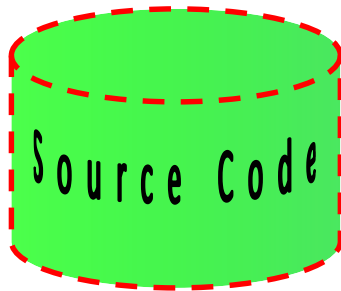
Requires transformation of tool chain into circuit.



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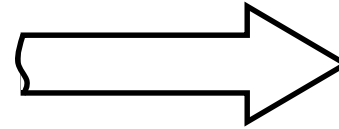
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How can we make sure secrecy *after* verification ?

Amanat

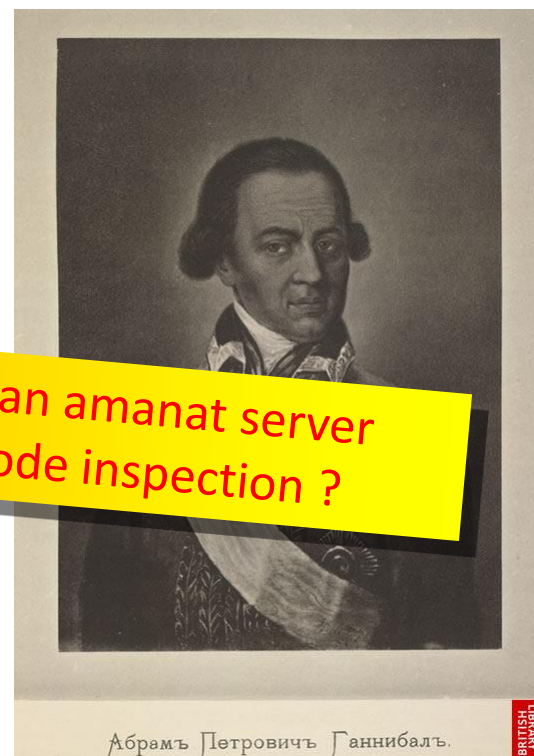
ancient judicial term

“noble prisoner”

life confined to contract partner’s site

Can we use an amanat server
for source code inspection ?

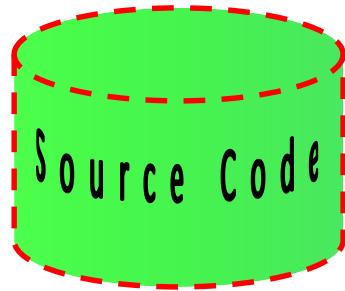
Abram Petrovich Gannibal (1696-1781)
Grand²father of A. Pushkin



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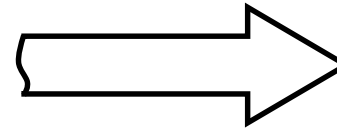
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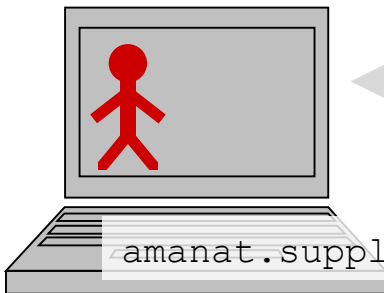


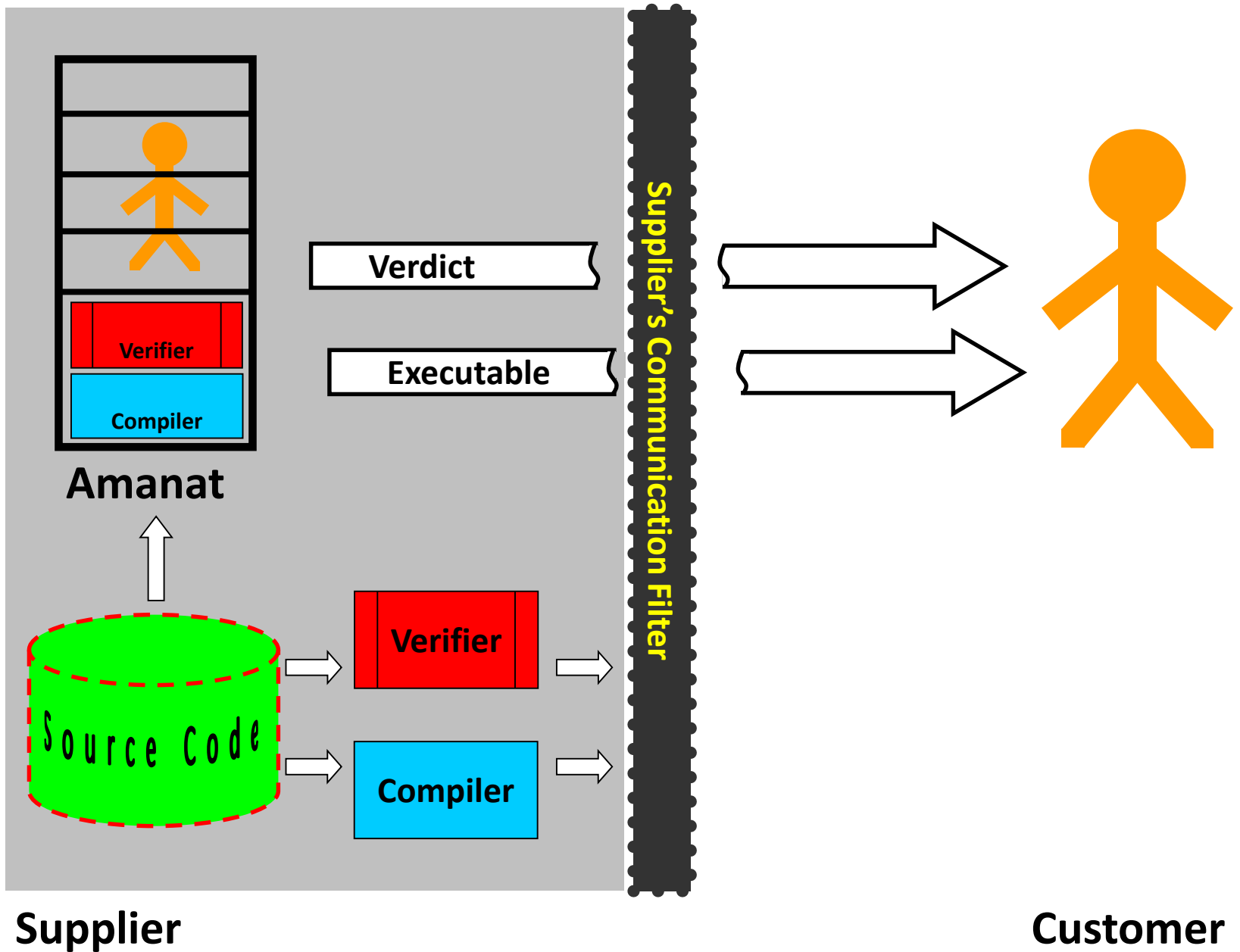
delivers executable

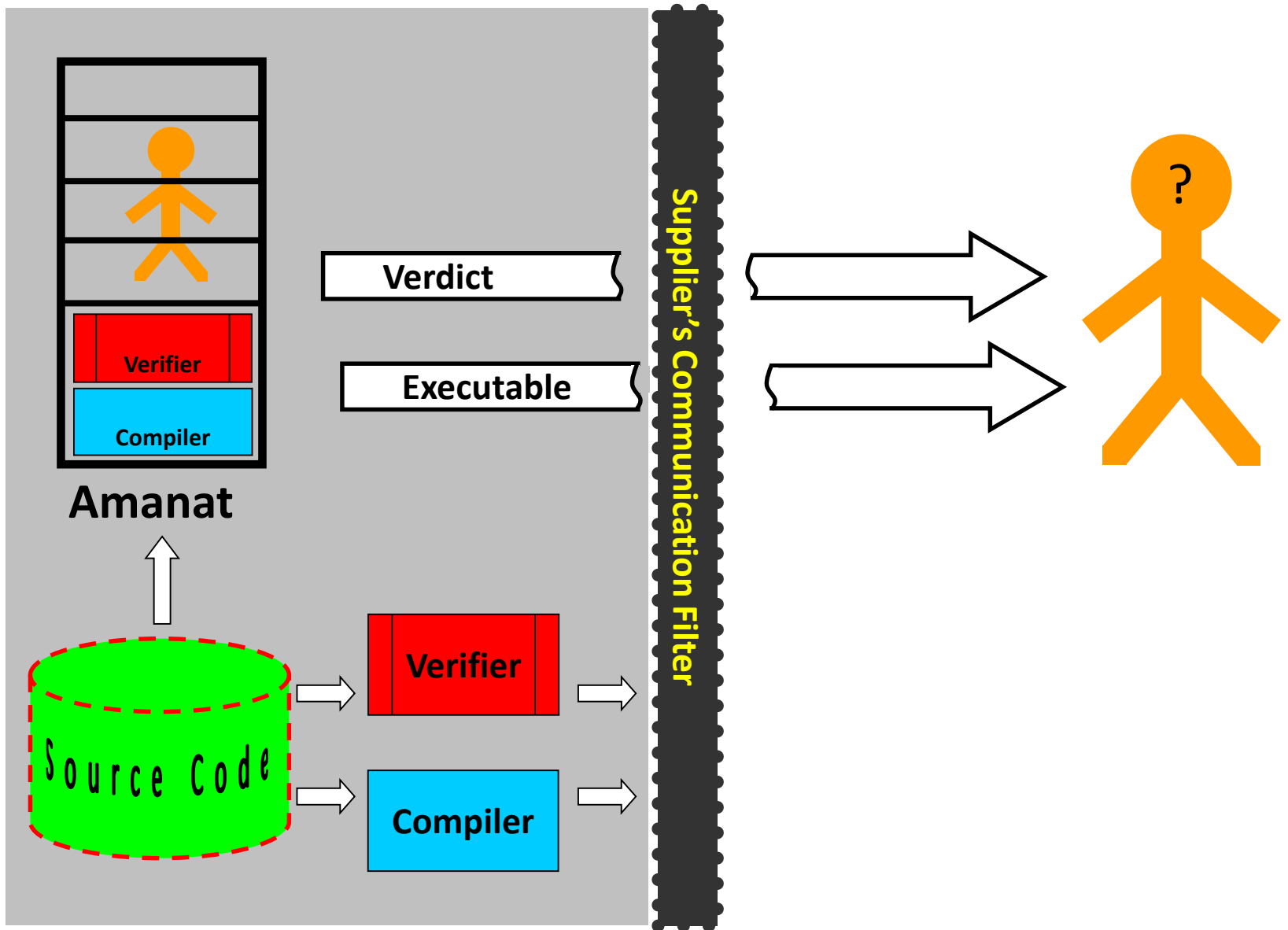
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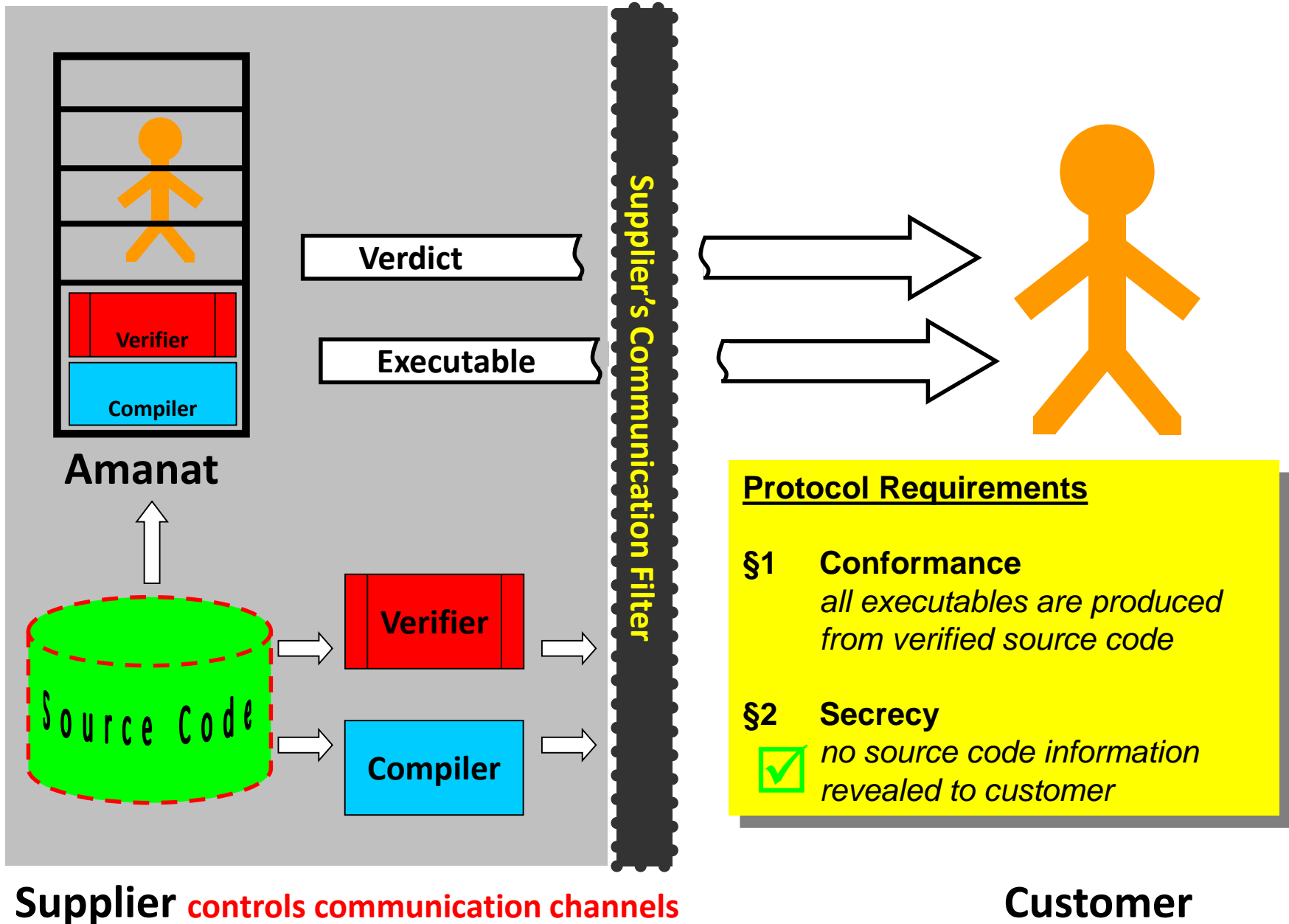


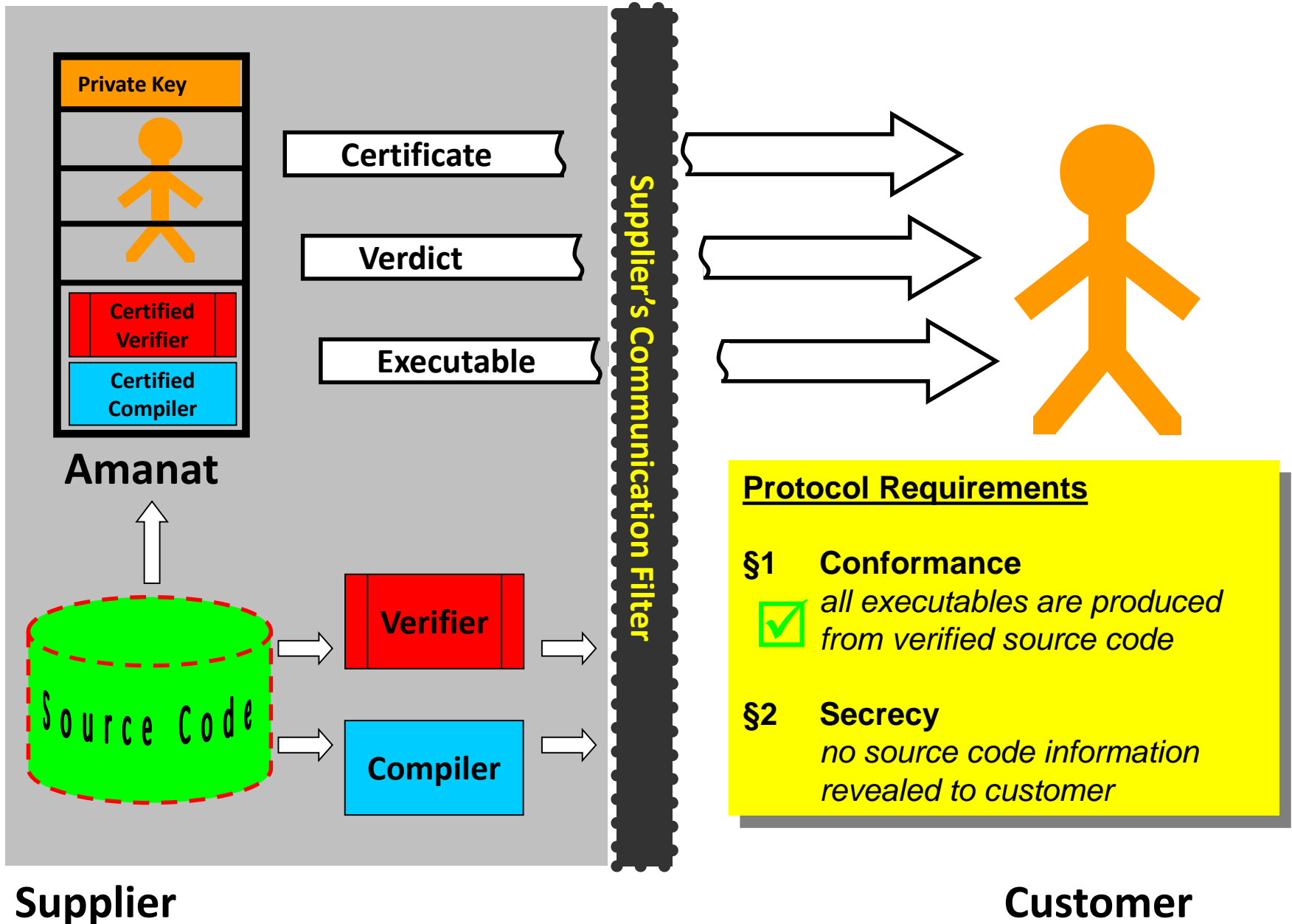


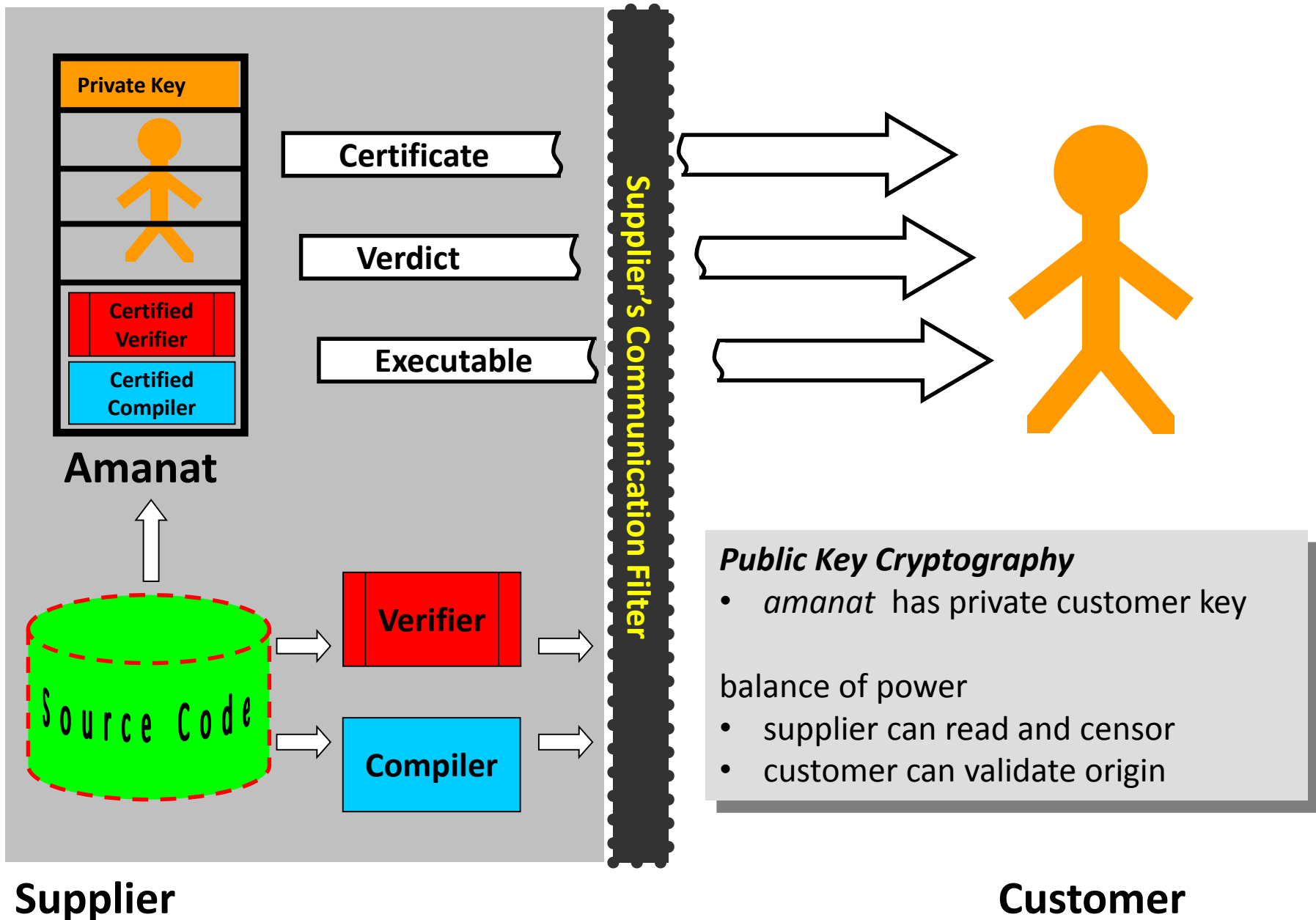


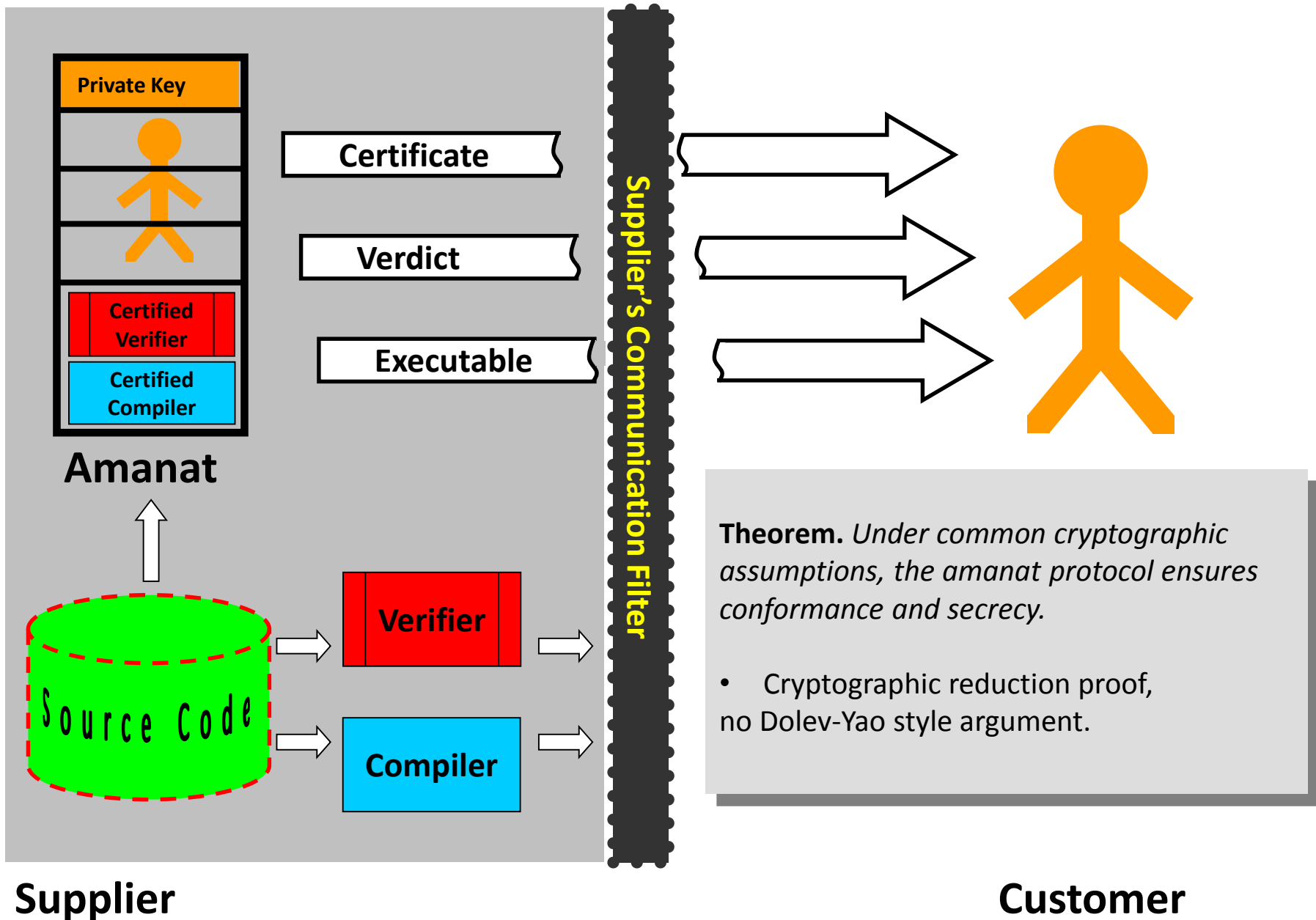
Supplier controls communication channels

Customer









Verification Tasks for the Amanat

Original motivation:

Apply **software model checkers** such as SLAM, BLAST, MAGIC

Method not confined to model checking

... not even to automated analysis tools

Unique condition

Truth of verification **verdict checkable by amanat**

e.g., amanat checks correctness of formalized manual proof



Verification Tasks for the Amanat

- i. check a (semi)manual proof e.g. in ISABELLE, PVS, Coq, etc.
- ii. apply static analysis tools – ASTREE, TVLA, ...
- iii. evaluate w
- iv. generate and execute white box test cases
- v. validate the accompanying to coverage criteria
- vi. check the code is syntactically safe, e.g. using lint
- vii. compute numerical quality and quantity measures e.g. LOC, nesting depth etc.
- viii. compare two versions of the source code and quantify the difference
- ix. check presence of 3rd party IP, e.g. libraries
- x. validate that the source is well documented
- xi. validate that the developer has put their name on the source code
- xii. validate development steps by analyzing the CVS tree
- xiii. validate development steps by analyzing the CVS tree
- xiv. ensure compatibility of source code to language standards
- xv. ...

Supplier bears the burden of proof.

Supplier can provide auxiliary information for amanat e.g. abstraction function, proof etc.



Physical Integrity of the Amanat

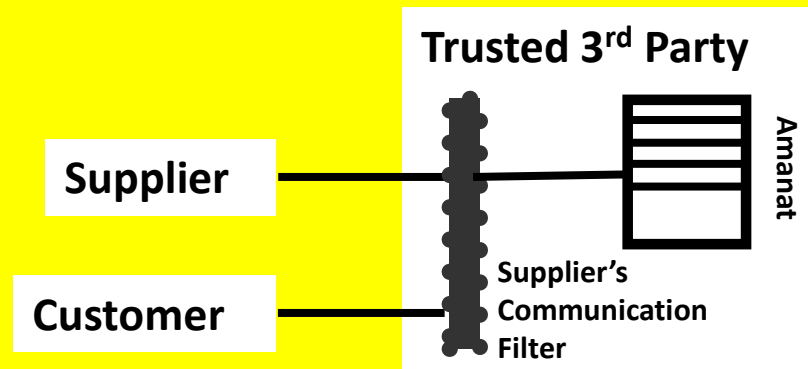
Amanat owns a *secret* – the private customer key

Amanat is a black box

→ Reverse engineering and physical monitoring prohibited

→ Need simple hardware solution

Scenario A



3rd party only ensures physical integrity

Amanat's communication hardwired through communication filter

Problem IP leaves supplier site

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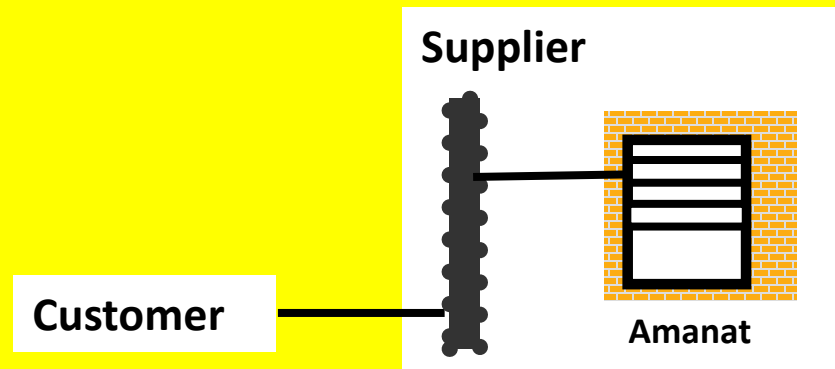
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Scenario B



Amanat protected by physical seal

Regular checks by customer, 3rd party.
Alarm system, sealed hardware.

No rational incentive to break seal.

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Part II: Details of the Protocol



Tool Landscape

- **Compiler: source → exec**

source can be directory tree, compiler a make command

- **Verifier: source → \log_{Sup} , \log_{Cus}**

\log_{Sup} is “internal” verdict

\log_{Cus} is “external” verdict

Specifications are part of source, output into \log_{Cus} together with verification verdict

All auxiliary information is part of source, provided by Sup
e.g. command line parameters, code annotations, abstraction functions etc.

Security Tool Landscape

Asymmetric encryption and signing scheme
(Cramer/Shoup 2000)

Key pair $\langle K_{\text{pri}}, K_{\text{pub}} \rangle$

$c = K_{\text{pub}}(m)$ encryption of m by K_{pub}

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$s = \text{csign}(K_{\text{pri}}, m)$ signature of m with key K_{pri}

$\text{cverify}(K_{\text{pub}}, m, s)$ succeeds if s is valid signature

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Cryptographic primitives for signing messages
are *randomized algorithms*

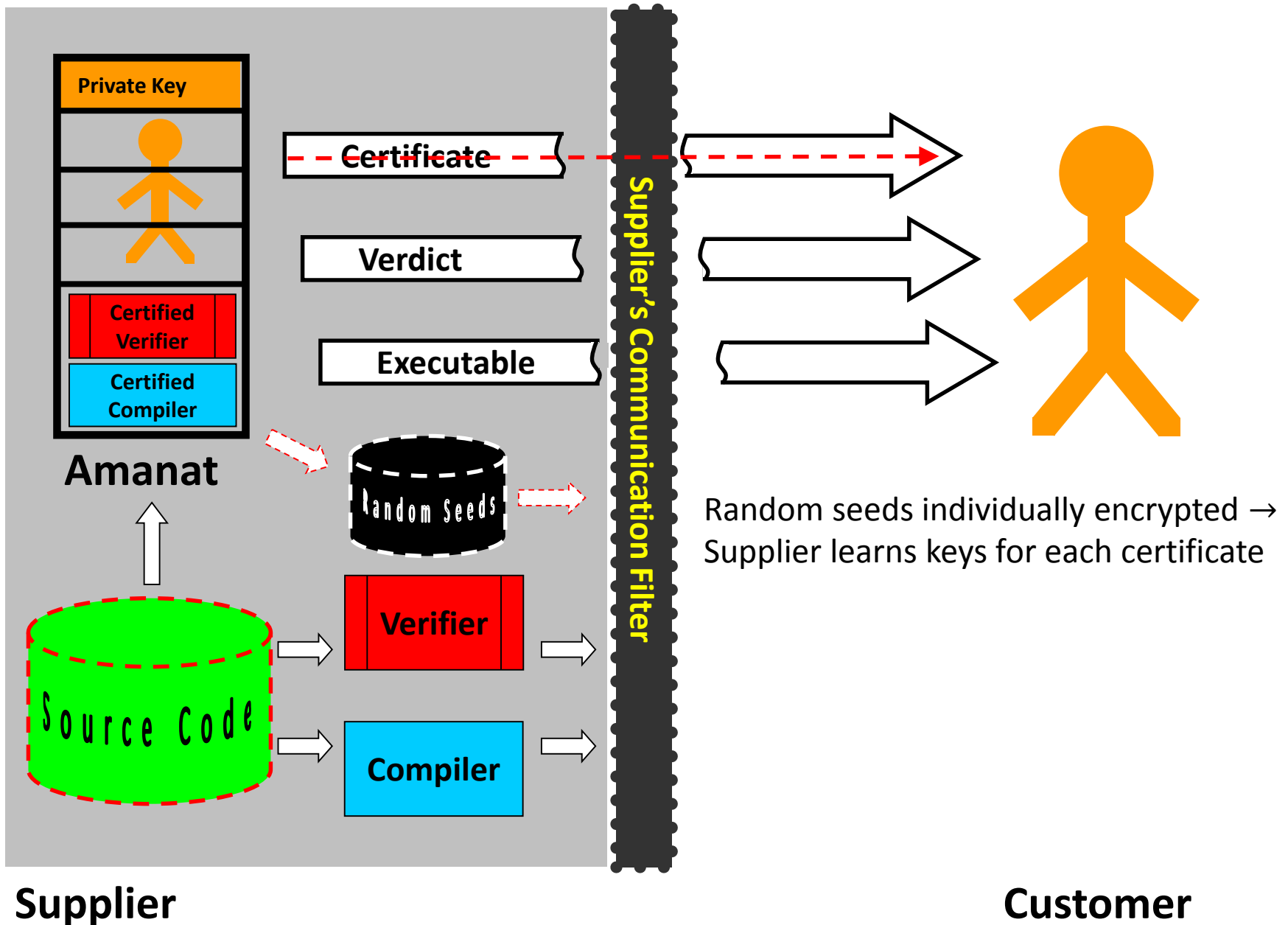
Countermeasure to algebraic attacks

Window to leak information from Ama to Cus:
Instead of random values, Ama can employ non-random bits
describing the source code.

→ Protocol Design
*Ama commits random values before seeing the
source code*

Similar to steganography.

Dolev-Yao style proofs not appropriate.



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Amanat Protocol Overview

Installation Phase

Master key installation.

Session Initialization Phase

Tool Certification

Random Seed Generation

Certification Phase

Certification of Executables

Installation Phase

I1 *Master Key Generation* [Cus]

Cus generates the master keys $\langle K_{\text{Cus}}^m, K_{\text{Pub}}^m \rangle$ and initializes Ama with $\langle K_{\text{Cus}}^m, K_{\text{Pub}}^m \rangle$.

I2 *Installation of the Amanat* [Sup, Cus]

Ama is installed at Sup's site and Sup receives K_{Pub}^m .



Session Initialization Phase

S1 *Session Key Generation* [Cus, Sup]

Cus generates the session keys $\langle K_{\text{Cus}}, K_{\text{Pub}} \rangle$ and sends $K_{\text{Pub}}^m(K_{\text{Cus}})$ and K_{Pub} to Sup. Sup forwards $K_{\text{Pub}}^m(K_{\text{Cus}})$ and K_{Pub} unchanged to Ama.

S2 *Generation of the Tool Certificates* [Cus]

Cus computes the certificates

- $\text{cert}_{\text{Verifier}} = \text{csign}(K_{\text{Cus}}, \text{Verifier})$ and
- $\text{cert}_{\text{Compiler}} = \text{csign}(K_{\text{Cus}}, \text{Compiler})$.

Cus sends both certificates to Sup.

S3 *Supplier Validation of the Tool Certificates* [Sup]

Sup checks the contents of the certificates, i.e., Sup checks that

- $\text{cverify}(K_{\text{Pub}}, \text{Verifier}, \text{cert}_{\text{Verifier}})$ and
- $\text{cverify}(K_{\text{Pub}}, \text{Compiler}, \text{cert}_{\text{Compiler}})$ succeed.

If one of the checks fails, Sup aborts the protocol.



S4 *Amanat Tool Transmission* [Sup]

Sup sends to Ama both Verifier and Compiler as well as the certificates $\text{cert}_{\text{Verifier}}$ and $\text{cert}_{\text{Compiler}}$.

S5 *Amanat Validation of the Tool Certificates* [Ama]

Ama checks whether Verifier and Compiler are properly certified, i.e., it checks whether

- $\text{cverify}(K_{\text{Pub}}, \text{Verifier}, \text{cert}_{\text{Verifier}})$ and
- $\text{cverify}(K_{\text{Pub}}, \text{Compiler}, \text{cert}_{\text{Compiler}})$ succeed.

If this is not the case, then Ama refuses to process any further input.

S6 *Amanat Random Seed Generation* [Ama]

Ama generates

- a series of random seeds R_1, \dots, R_t together with a series of corresponding key pairs $\langle KR_{\text{Cus}}^1, KR_{\text{Pub}}^1 \rangle, \dots, \langle KR_{\text{Cus}}^t, KR_{\text{Pub}}^t \rangle$,
- encrypts the random seeds with the corresponding keys $KR_{\text{Pub}}^i(R_i)$ for $i = 1, \dots, t$, and
- initializes round counter $\text{round} = 0$.

Ama then sends all $KR_{\text{Pub}}^i(R_i)$ and KR_{Pub}^i for $i = 1, \dots, t$ to Sup.



Certification Phase

C1 *Source Code Transmission* [Sup]

Sup sends source to Ama.

C2 *Source Code Verification by the Amanat* [Ama]

Ama computes

- the verdict $\langle \log_{\text{Sup}}, \log_{\text{Cus}} \rangle = \text{Verifier}(\text{source})$ of Verifier on source,
- the binary $\text{exec} = \text{Compiler}(\text{source})$,
- increments the round counter round , and
- computes $\text{cert} = \text{csign}(K_{\text{Cus}}, \langle \text{exec}, \log_{\text{Cus}} \rangle, R_{\text{round}})$.

Ama sends exec , \log_{Sup} , \log_{Cus} , cert , and $KR_{\text{Cus}}^{\text{round}}$ to Sup.



C3 *Secrecy Validation* [Sup]

Upon receiving exec , \log_{Sup} , \log_{Cus} , cert , and $KR_{\text{Cus}}^{\text{round}}$, Sup

- decrypts the random seed $R_{\text{round}} = KR_{\text{Cus}}^{\text{round}}(KR_{\text{Pub}}^{\text{round}}(R_{\text{round}}))$, and
- verifies that $\text{cverify}(K_{\text{Pub}}, \langle \text{exec}, \log_{\text{Cus}} \rangle, \text{cert}, R_{\text{round}})$ succeeds.

If the checks fails, Sup **concludes that the secrecy requirement was violated**, and refuses to further work with Ama.

Otherwise, Sup evaluates \log_{Cus} and \log_{Sup} and decides whether to deliver the binary exec , \log_{Cus} , and cert to Cus in step C4 or whether to abort the protocol.

C4 *Conformance Validation* [Cus]

Upon receiving exec , \log_{Cus} , and cert , Cus verifies that $\text{cverify}(K_{\text{Pub}}, \langle \text{exec}, \log_{\text{Cus}} \rangle, \text{cert})$ succeeds.

If the checks fails, Cus **concludes that the conformance requirement was violated**, and refuses to further work with Sup.

Otherwise Cus evaluates the contents of \log_{Cus} and decides whether the verification verdict supports the purchase of the product exec .



Secrecy and Conformance

Theorem (Conformance) *If the amanat protocol terminates successfully, then $exec$ and log_{Cus} must be produced from the same source in all but a negligible fraction of the protocol executions.*

Proof by reduction to cryptographic assumptions: violation of **semantic security** and **security against adaptive chosen message attacks**.

Theorem (Secrecy) *If the amanat protocol terminates successfully, then Cus cannot extract any piece of information from the source code which is not contained in $exec$ and log_{Cus} .*

Proof by construction.

Cryptographic Assumptions

Semantic Security

$K(c)$ has no more tractable information than $|K(c)|$.

All information which a probabilistic polynomial time algorithm can compute from $K(c)$ can also be computed from $|K(c)|$ in probabilistic polynomial time.

Security against Adaptive Chosen Message Attacks

Access to signing mechanism does not help circumvent signing.

Attacker has access to an oracle which signs arbitrary messages. Can the attacker in probabilistic polynomial time sign some new message without consulting the oracle?



Proof Outline: Secrecy

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Proof by construction. We can show that every information passed to Cus can be computed without knowing source.

$$(exec, \text{Log}_{Cus}, cert)$$
$$cert = csign(K_{Cus}, \langle exec, \log_{Cus} \rangle, R_{round})$$

Proof Outline: Conformance

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Assuming Conformance does not hold, we construct in 3 steps an adaptive chosen message attack against the signing scheme.

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Part III:
Conclusions



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trusted verification w/o violation of IP rights

IP holder controls information flow

secrecy intuitive to management

simple cryptographic primitives



Future work: certification of COTS software ?

Thank you for your attention !



Questions?

