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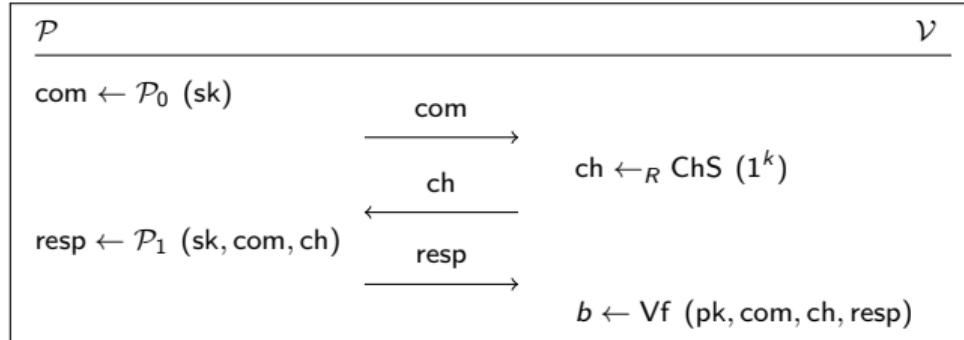
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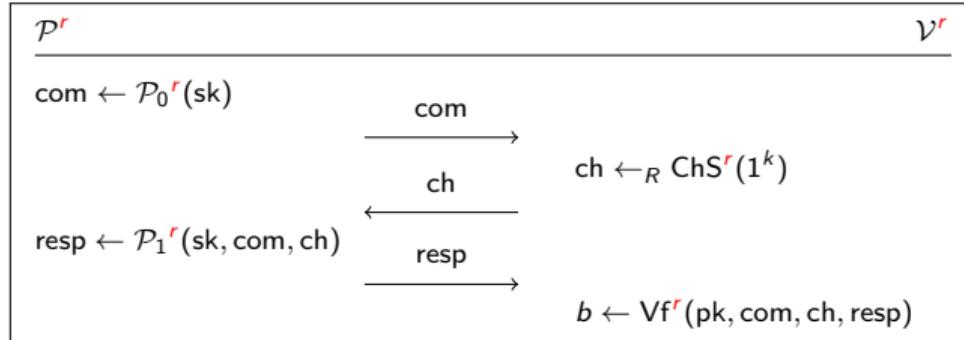
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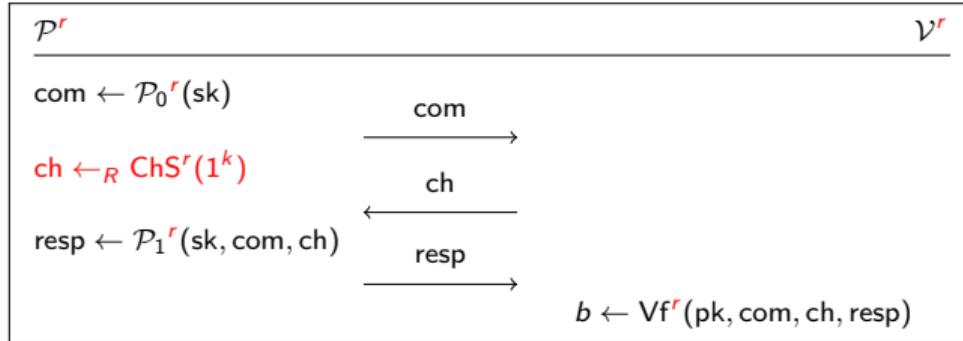
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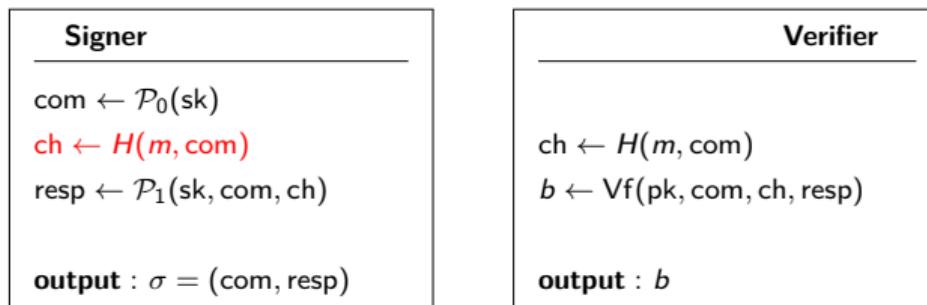


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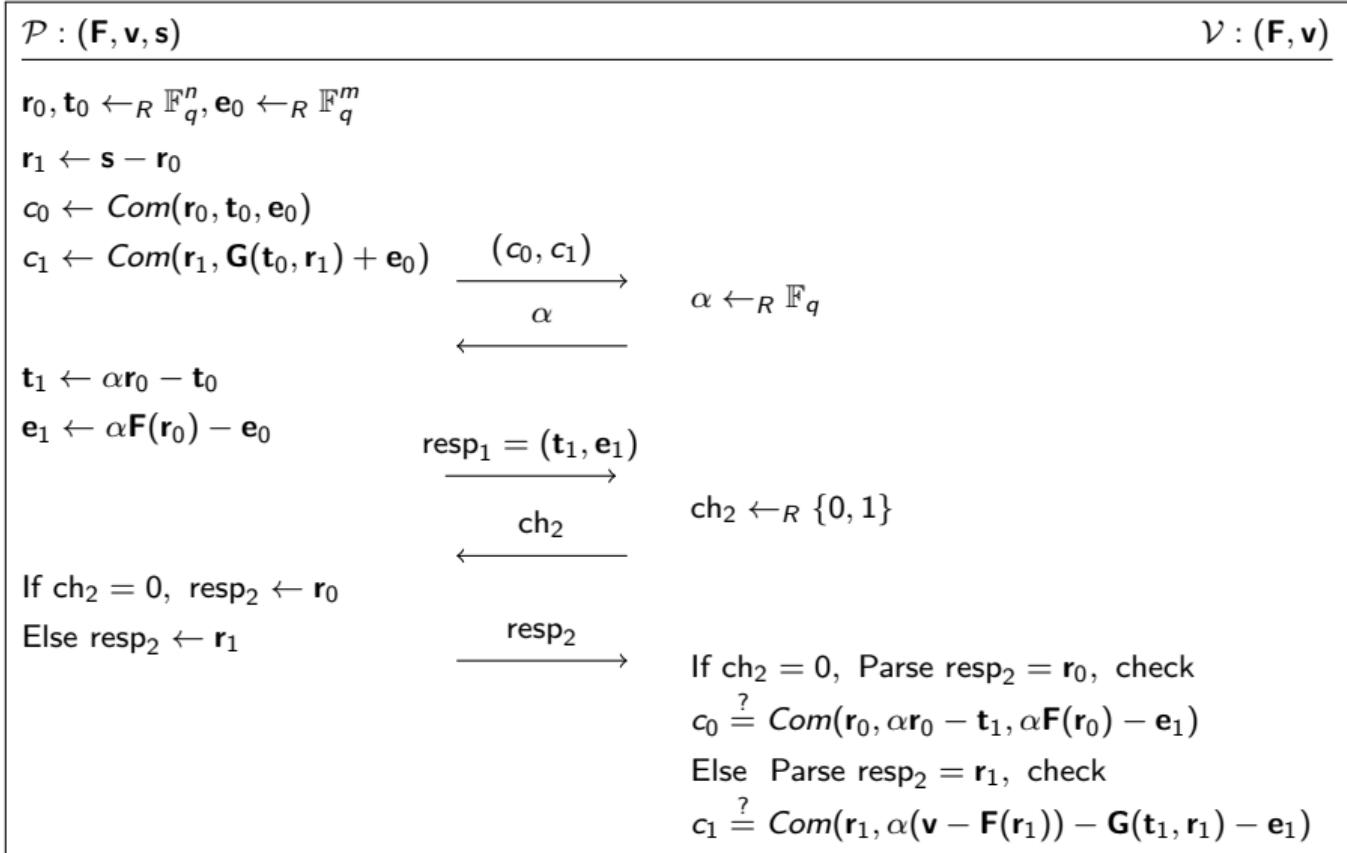
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Sakumoto-Shirai-Hiwatari 5-pass IDS [SSH11]



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 - ▶ **mistake in calculation in Round 1, chose k too large**

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