

Modelling audit security  
for smart-card payment schemes  
with UMLsec

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# Secure Systems Development

Designing secure systems correctly is **difficult**:

Many **flaws** found in designs of security-critical systems, sometimes years after publication.

Use **formal concepts** and **tools** for systems design to ensure correctness of security design.

## This Work

Use (formal core of) **Unified Modeling Language (UML)**: industry standard for specifying o-o systems.

Consider **accountability** and enforcement of **audit policy** for **Common Electronic Purse Specifications (CEPS)**.

Candidate for globally interoperable electronic purse standard.

**Encapsulate knowledge** on **prudent security engineering**, make it available to developers.

## UMLsec

Here:

**Class diagrams:** static structure of system. Classes with attributes and operations/signals; relationships between classes. Ensure **secure communication** between objects.

**Statechart diagrams:** dynamic behaviour of individual object. Input events cause state change and output actions. Ensure **secure behaviour** within an object.

## Messages

Define set of messages **Exp** inductively by

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| $E ::=$             | expression   |
| $d$                 | data value ( $d \in \mathcal{D}$ )                     |
| $K$                 | key ( $K \in \mathbf{Keys}$ )                          |
| $x$                 | variable ( $x \in \mathbf{Var}$ )                      |
| $(E_1, \dots, E_n)$ | concatenation  |
| $\text{Enc}(K, E)$  | encryption ( $K \in \mathbf{Keys} \cup \mathbf{Var}$ ) |
| $\text{Dec}(K, E)$  | decryption ( $K \in \mathbf{Keys} \cup \mathbf{Var}$ ) |
| $\text{Mac}(K, E)$  | MAC ( $K \in \mathbf{Keys} \cup \mathbf{Var}$ )        |
| $\text{Ver}(K, E)$  | verify MAC ( $K \in \mathbf{Keys} \cup \mathbf{Var}$ ) |

Symmetric encryption.

Assume  $\text{Dec}(K, \text{Enc}(K, E)) = E$  and  $\text{Ver}(K, \text{Mac}(K, E)) = E$ .

## Common Electronic Purse Specifications (CEPS)

Smart-card based payment system: more fraud protection than credit cards (**transaction-bound** authentication).

CEPS candidate for globally interoperable electronic purse scheme providing **accountability** and **auditability**.

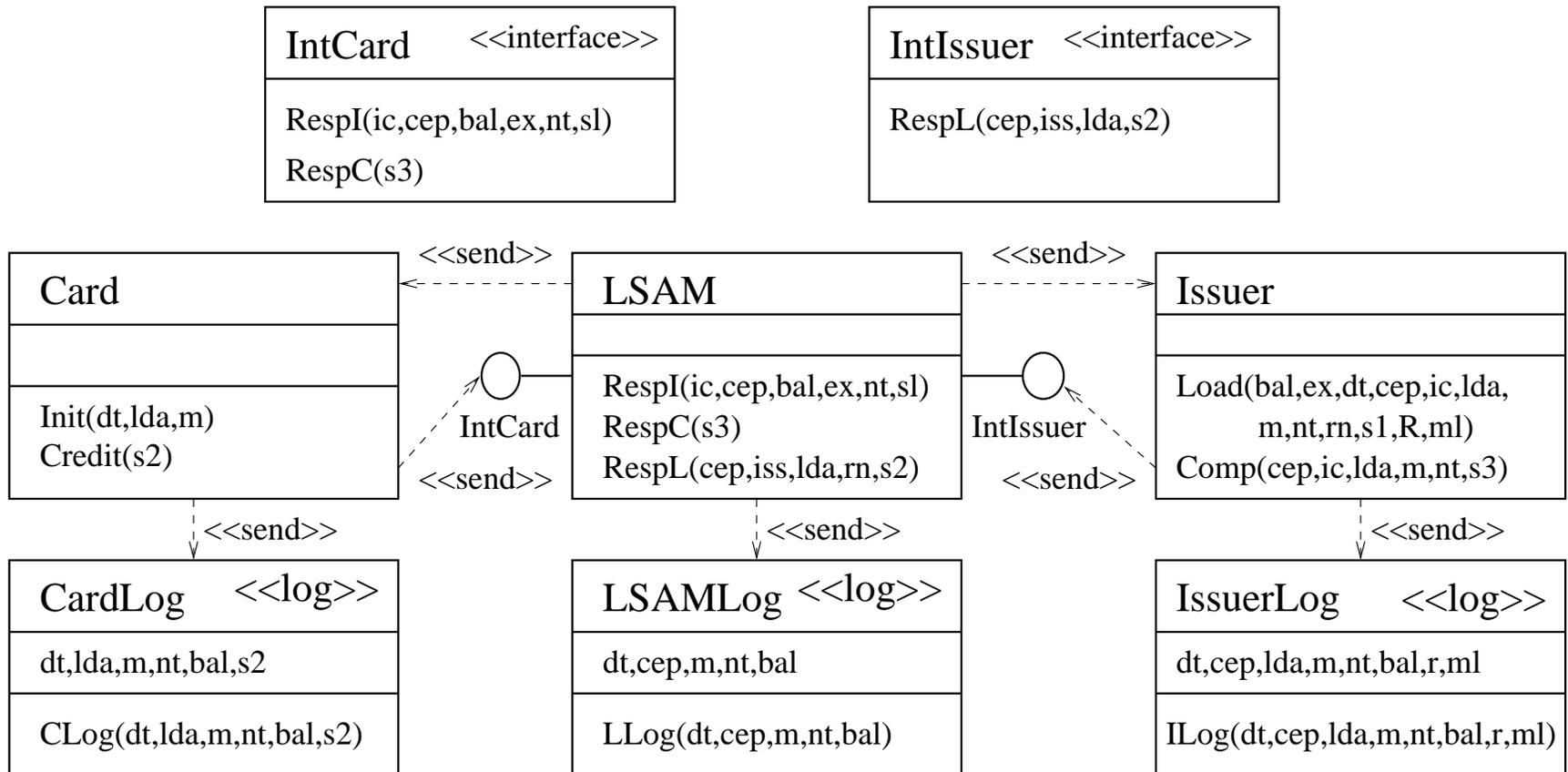
Here: (unlinked, cash-based) **load** transaction.

Load value onto card using cash at load device.

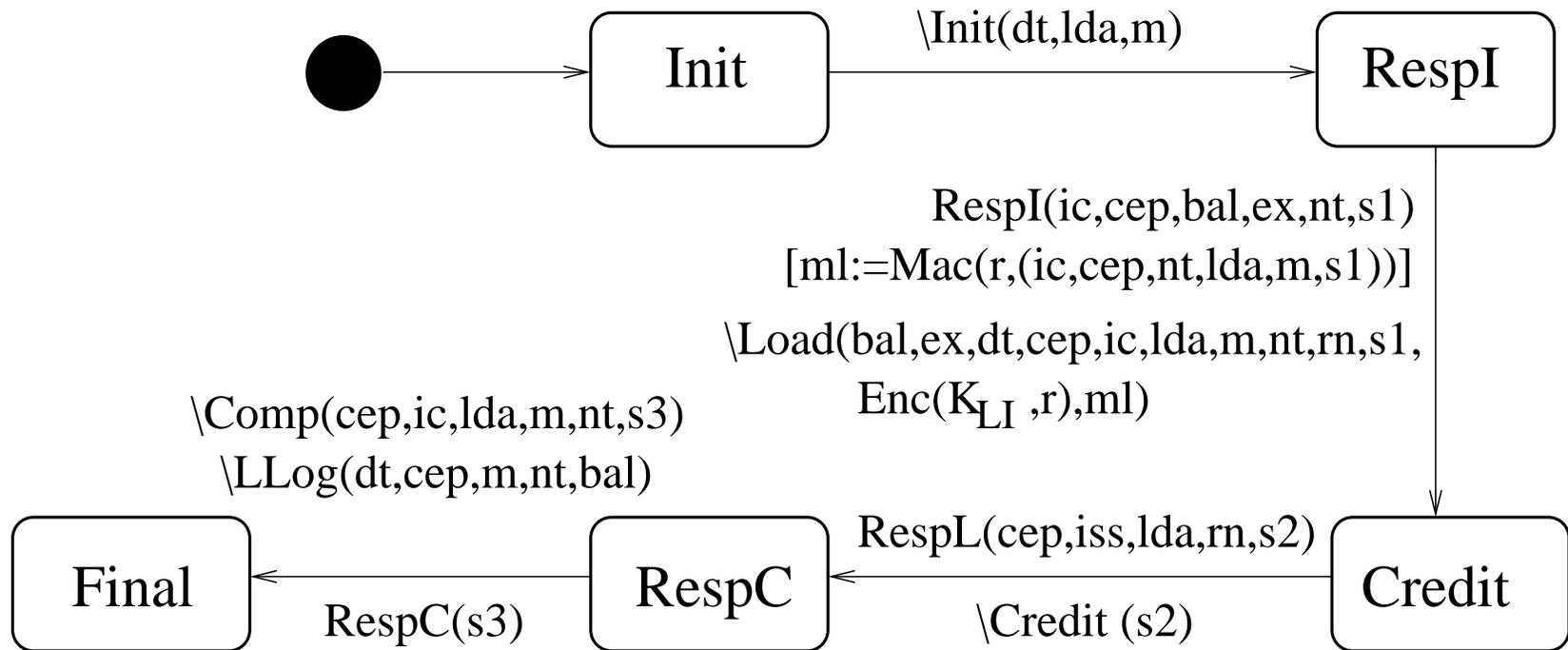
Load device contains Load Security Application Module (LSAM):  
secure data processing and storage.

Card account balance adjusted; transaction data logged  
and sent to issuer for financial settlement.

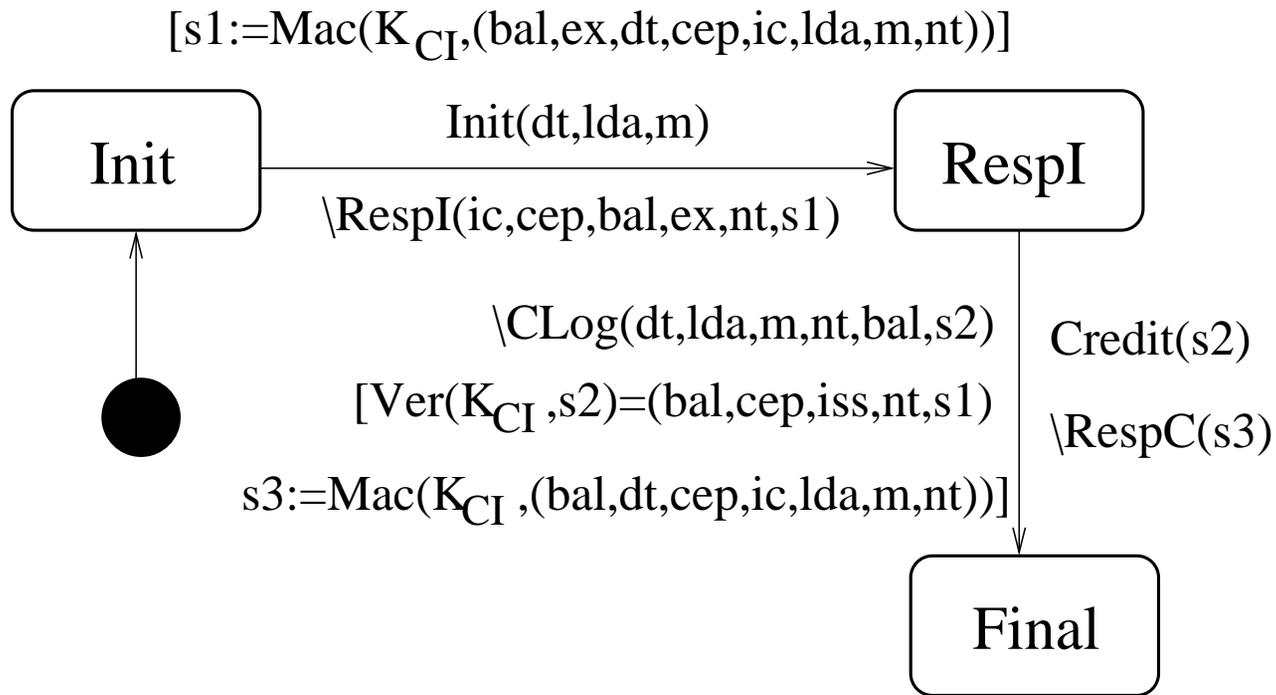
## Load Transaction: Class diagram



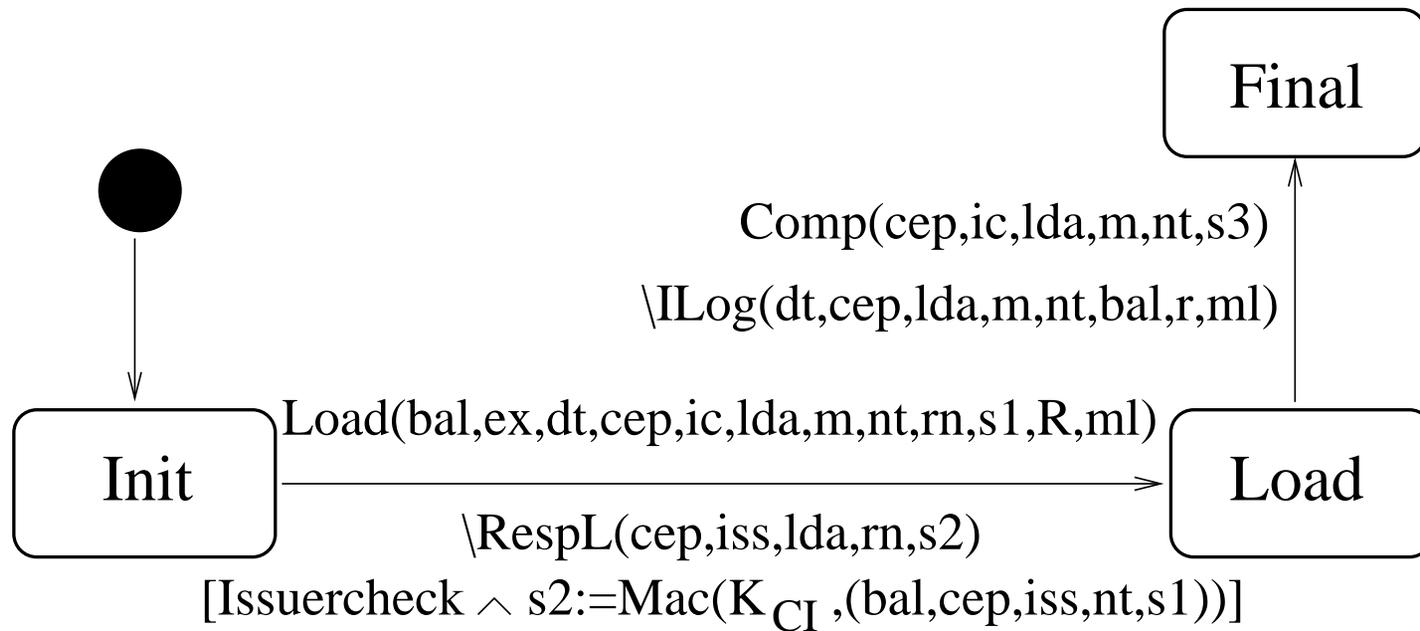
## LSAM Statechart



# Card Statechart



## Issuer Statechart



## Security Threat Model

Card, LSAM, issuer security module assumed tamper-resistant.

Threat scenario: intercept (modify etc.) communication between card, LSAM, issuer.

Attack motivations:

**Cardholder:** charge without pay

**Load acquirer:** keep cardholder's money

**Card issuer:** demand money from load acquirer

**Third party:** disrupt service

May coincide or collude.

## Audit security

Tamper-resistance could be defeated ? Produce own cards ?

No direct communication between card and cardholder.  
May manipulate load device display.

Use post-transaction **settlement** scheme.

Relies on **secure auditing**.

Verify this here (only runs completed without exception).

## Security conditions (1)

Audit security condition on CardLog in final state:

**Correct amount:**  $s2$  and  $s1$  verify correctly:

- $\text{Ver}(K_{CI}, \text{CardLog}.s2) = (bal', cep', iss', nt', s1')$
- $\text{Ver}(K_{CI}, s1') = (bal'', ex'', dt'', cep'', ic'', lda'', m'', nt'')$

and correct amount is logged:  $\text{CardLog}.m = m''$ .

Load acquirer authenticated correctly:

**No masquerade:** We have  $\text{Shared}(K_{LI}, \text{IssuerLog}.lda)$ .

## Security conditions (2)

$ml$  supposed to prove that load acquirer owes transaction amount to issuer:

**Acquirer guarantee functionality:** If

$$\text{IssuerLog}.ml = \text{Mac}(\text{IssuerLog}.r, (ic', cep', nt', lda', m', s1', hl'))$$

then the LSAM  $lda'$  has received  $m'$ .

Check that  $ml$  issued correctly:

**Acquirer guarantee security:**

If card and issuer are in final state and  $\text{CardLog}.m = m'$  then

$$\text{IssuerLog}.ml = \text{Mac}(\text{IssuerLog}.r, (ic', cep', nt', lda', m', s1', hl')).$$

## Results (1)

**Theorem. Acquirer guarantee functionality not provided.**

$ml$  protected by random value  $r$  protected by secret key  $K_{LI}$  shared between load acquirer and card issuer.

Issuer could manufacture  $ml$  and  $r$ .

Cannot prove that load acquirer manufactured  $ml$ .

## Results (2)

**Theorem.** **Correct amount, No Masquerade,**  
and **Acquirer guarantee security** hold.

**Correct amount:** Show that  $K_{CI}$  shared between card and issuer establishes end-to-end security.

**No masquerade:** Show that load device identifier corresponds to device with which issuer shares  $K_{LI}$ .

**Acquirer guarantee security:** Show that integrity of information between card and issuer preserved.

## Related Work

Verification of smart-card payment systems  
(Anderson 1999), (Stepney, Cooper, Woodcock 2000)

CEPS purchase protocol using AutoFocus  
(Jürjens, Wimmel 2001)

UML for security (Jürjens FASE'01, IWSecP'01, VIS'01)

## Conclusion, Future Work

Audit security of CEPS load protocol using object-oriented modelling language UML.

Benefits of approach:

- **security in context** of system development
- **widely used** notation

CEPS **weakness**: no proof of transaction for issuer from load acquirer.

Future work: further parts, other security properties (fail-safety); tool support.