



# hacspec

towards verifiable crypto standards

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**HACS Workshop**

# **HACS**

High Assurance Cryptographic Software

# HACS Workshop

- SHA + Curve 25519

- SUCCINCT

- SYNTAX CHECKABLE

- TESTABLE

- COMPILER  $\rightarrow$  Coq/WIT, Coq/Fast, F\*, EC, CRYPTOL

uint N	vector[N]	FORMAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• prime-order groups</li><li>• galois fields</li><li>• elliptic curves</li><li>• POLYNOMIALS / invad</li><li>SAMPLING</li></ul>		load/store k

# Formal Verification



**Formal verification in Crypto**

# Cryptol



**The Language of Cryptography**

## Formal verification in Crypto

# Cryptol

Proofs of correctness of the TLS Handshake and corking state machine #565



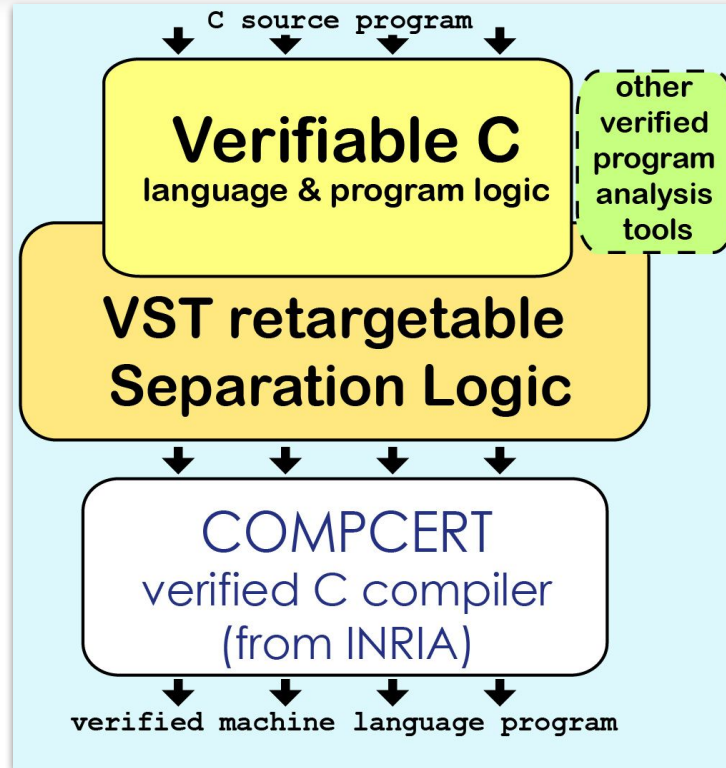
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## The Language of Cryptography

# Formal verification in Crypto



# Formal verification in Crypto

**Fiat-Crypto: Synthesizing Correct-by-Construction Code for Cryptographic Primitives**



# Formal verification in Crypto

 google / boringssl

 Code

 Pull requests **0**

 Projects **0**

 Insights

## ec/p256.c: fiat-crypto field arithmetic (64, 32)

The fiat-crypto-generated code uses the Montgomery form implementation strategy, for both 32-bit and 64-bit code.

# Formal verification in Crypto

## **HACL\* : A Verified Modern Cryptographic Library**



Verified cryptography for  
Firefox 57



# **hacspec**

a new specification language for crypto  
primitives

# Goals, Scope & Limitations

- Cryptographic Primitives
- Executable
- Easy to use
- Syntax checkable
- Compiles to several formal languages
- **Not** a new formal language

## hacspec syntax

Values $v ::=$	$n$	<i>integer constants</i>
	True   False	<i>boolean constants</i>
	'...'   "..."	<i>string constants</i>
	(v1, ..., vn)	<i>tuple constant</i>
	array([v1, ..., vn])	<i>array constant</i>

# hacspec syntax

Expressions $e ::=$	$v$	<i>values</i>
	$x$   $m.x$	<i>local and global variables</i>
	$(e_1, \dots, e_n)$	<i>tuple construction</i>
	$\text{array}([e_1, \dots, e_n])$	<i>array construction</i>
	$\text{array.length}(e)$	<i>array length</i>
	$e[e_0]$	<i>array access</i>
	$e[e_0:e_1]$	<i>array slice</i>
	$e(e_1, \dots, e_n)$	<i>function call</i>
	$e_1 \text{ binop } e_2$	<i>builtin binary operators</i>
	$\text{unaryop } e$	<i>builtin unary operators</i>

# hacspec syntax

Types $t ::=$	<code>int, str, bool</code>	<i>basic types</i>
	<code>tuple_t(t1, ..., tn)</code>	<i>tuples</i>
	<code>vlarray_t(t)</code>	<i>variable-length array</i>
	<code>x</code>	<i>user-defined or builtin type</i>
	<code>x(t1, ..., tn, e1, ..., em)</code>	<i>builtin type application</i>

# hacspec syntax

```
Statements s ::=  x: Type = t           type declaration
                  | x: t                variable declaration
                  | x = e                variable assignment
                  | x binop= e           augmented variable assignment
                  | (x1,...,xn) = e     tuple matching
                  | x[i] = e            array update
                  | x[i] binop= e       augmented array update
                  | x[i:j] = e          array slice update
                  | if e:                if-elif-else conditional
                    s1...sn
                  | elif e:
                    s1'...sn'
                  | else
                    s1''...sn''
                  | for i in range(e):   for loop
                    s1...sn
                  | break                 break from loop
                  | def x(x1:t1,...,xn:tn) → t: function declaration
                    s1 ... sn
                  | return e              return from function
                  | from x import x1, x2,..., xn module import
```



## hacspec speclib

- Machine integers
  - `uint32_t`
- Modular arithmetic
  - `natmod_t(p)`
- Vectors & Matrices
  - `vector_t(nat_t,10)`

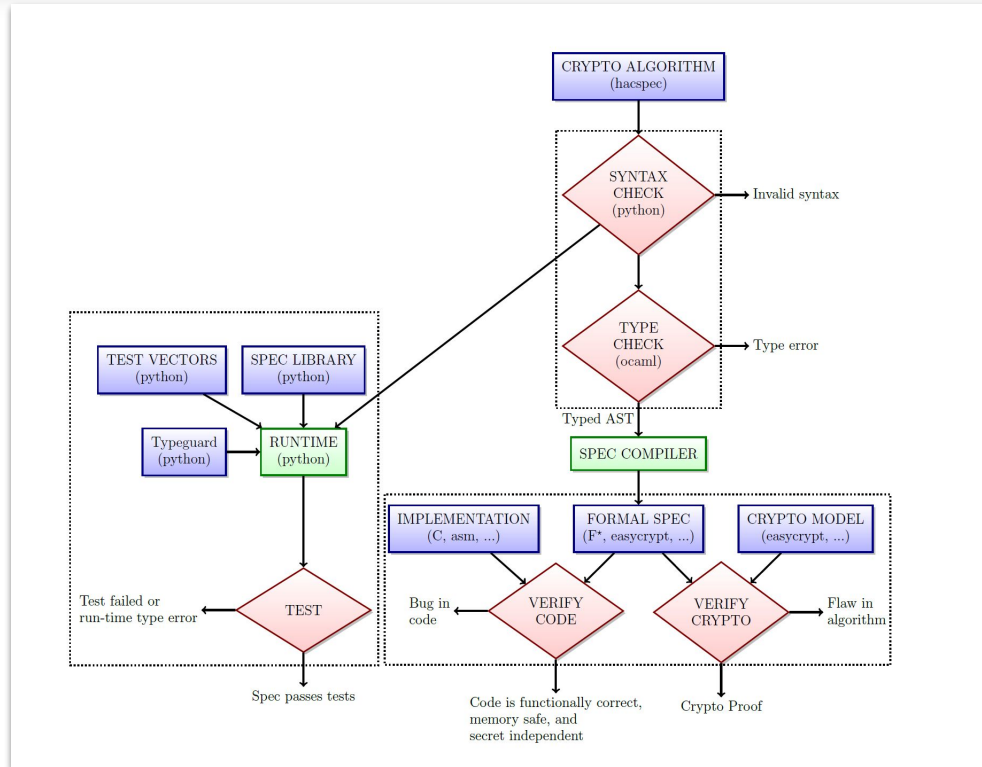
## Refinements

```
index_t =  
  refine_t(int,  
    lambda x: x < 16 and x >= 0)
```

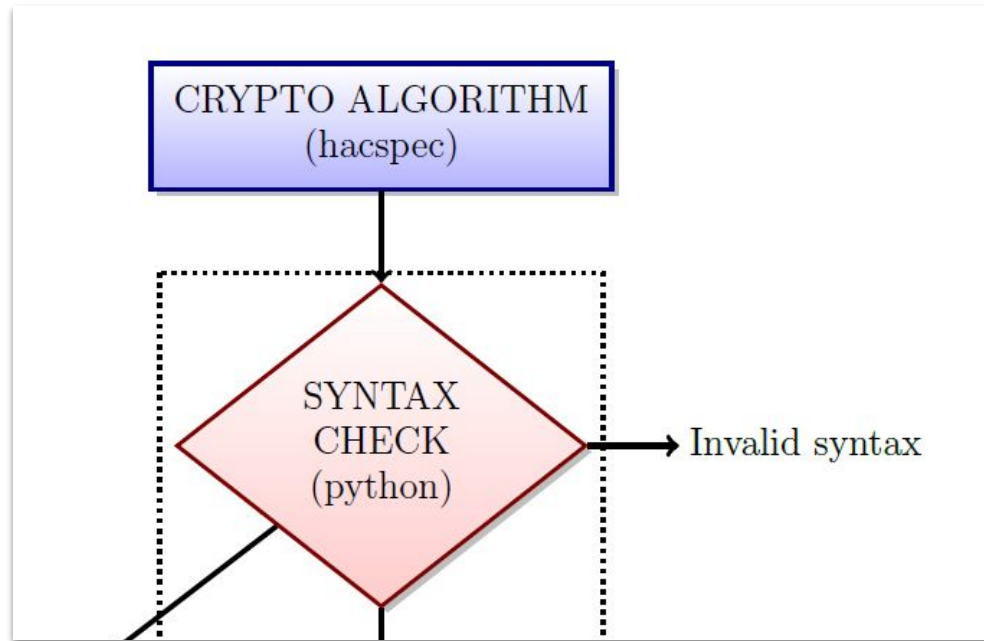
## Contracts

```
@contract(  
    lambda input, l: True,  
    lambda input, l, res:  
        array.length(res) == 1  
)
```

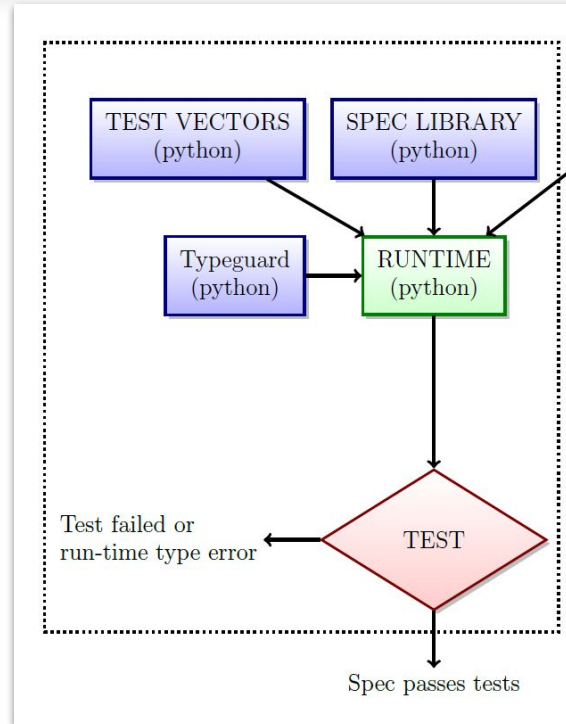
# Architecture



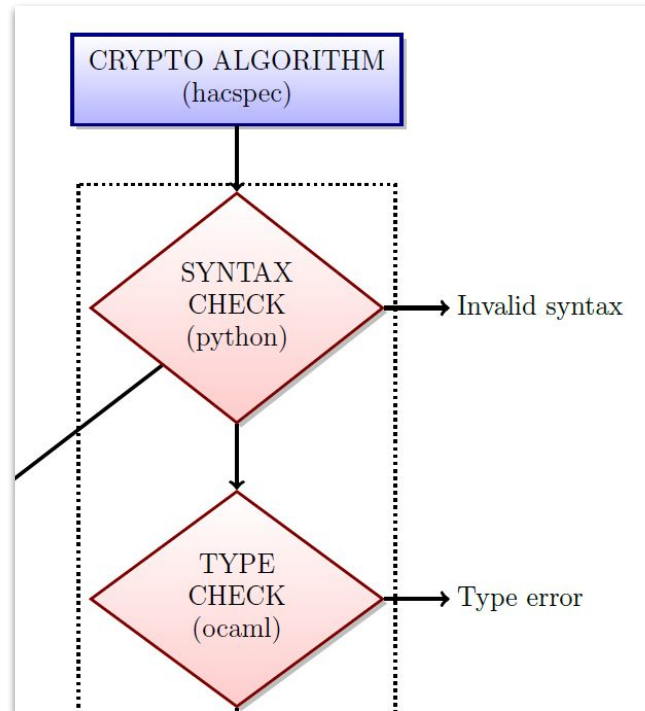
# Architecture – The Spec



# Architecture – Python Runtime



# Architecture – Checker



# Architecture – Checker

CRYPTO ALGORITHM  
(hacspec)

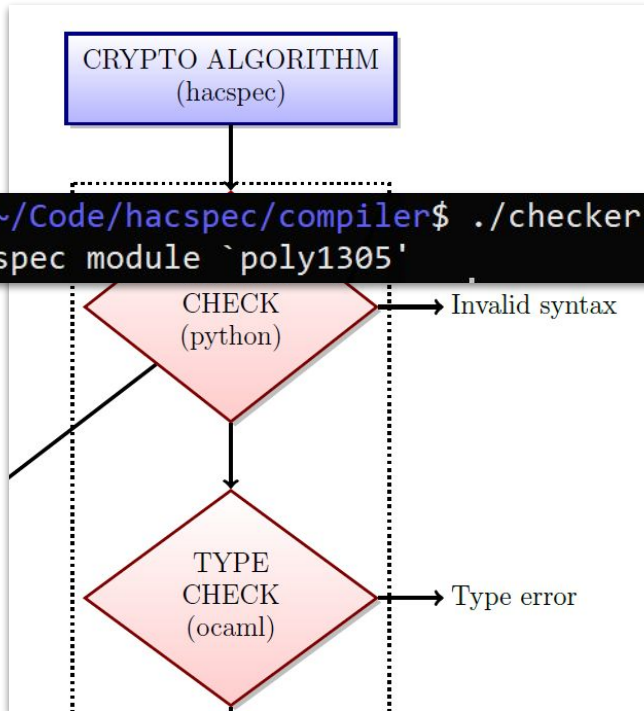
```
franziskus@DESKTOP-FCM7CIP:~/Code/hacspec/compiler$ ./checker.native ../specs/poly1305.py  
Parsed and type-checked hacspec module `poly1305'
```

CHECK  
(python)

Invalid syntax

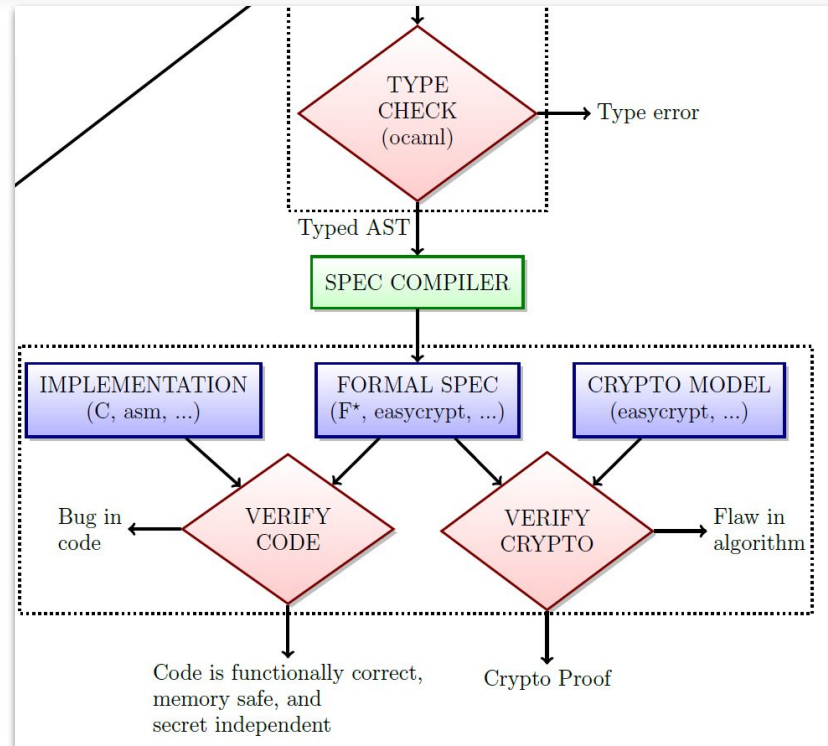
TYPE  
CHECK  
(ocaml)

Type error





# Architecture – F\* Compiler



# F\* Compiler

```
franziskus@DESKTOP-FCM7CTP:~/Code/hacspec/compiler$ HAcl_HOME=~/.Code/hacl-star/ FSTAR_HOME=~/.Code/hacl-star/dependencies/FStar/ make -C fstar-compiler/specs/ poly1305.fst.checked
make: Entering directory '/mnt/c/Users/Franziskus/Code/hacspec/compiler/fstar-compiler/specs'
../../to_fstar.native ../../../../specs/poly1305.py > poly1305_pre.fst
/home/franziskus/Code/hacl-star/dependencies/FStar/bin/fstar.exe --include /home/franziskus/Code/hacl-star//lib --include /home/franziskus/Code/hacl-star//lib/fst --expose_interfaces --indent poly1305_pre.fst > poly1305.fst
rm poly1305_pre.fst
/home/franziskus/Code/hacl-star/dependencies/FStar/bin/fstar.exe --include /home/franziskus/Code/hacl-star//lib --include /home/franziskus/Code/hacl-star//lib/fst --expose_interfaces poly1305.fst
Verified module: Poly1305 (4871 milliseconds)
All verification conditions discharged successfully
make: Leaving directory '/mnt/c/Users/Franziskus/Code/hacspec/compiler/fstar-compiler/specs'
```



**Example**

# Poly1305

```
p := 2130-5
```

```
r := clamped key
```

```
for i=1 upto ceil(msg length in bytes / 16)
```

```
  n = (msg[((i-1)*16)..(i*16)] | [0x01])
```

```
  a += n
```

```
  a = (r * a) % p
```

```
end
```

## Poly1305 - hacspec

```
p = nat((2 ** 130) - 5)
felem_t = natmod_t(p)
```

```
def poly(text:vlarray_t(felem_t),
         key:felem_t) -> felem_t:
    result = natmod(0,p)
    for i in range(array.length(text)):
        result = key * (result + text[i])
    return result
```

## Poly1305 - F\*

```
let poly (text:vlbytes_t)(r:felem_t):felem_t =  
  let acc = felem 0 in  
  let acc = repeati (array_length blocks)  
    (fun i acc ->  
      (acc +. (encode blocks.[ i ])) *. r) acc in  
  acc
```

# Tested specs

Algorithm	Valid (py)	Valid	F* compilation	F* type checked
<a href="#">Poly1305</a>	✓	✓	✓	✓
ChaCha20	✓	✓	✓	✓
AEAD ChaCha20Poly1305	✓	✓	✗	✗
AES	✓	✓	✓	✗
GF128	✓	✓	✓	✓
AEAD AES-GCM 128	✓	✓	✗	✗
Sha2	✓	✗	✗	✗
Sha3	✓	✗	✗	✗
Curve25519	✓	✓	✓	✗
Curve448	✓	✓	✓	✗
ED25519	✓	✗	✗	✗
P256	✓	✗	✗	✗
RSA PSS	✓	✗	✗	✗
Blake2	✓	✗	✗	✗
WOTS	✓	✗	✗	✗
Frodo	✗	✗	✗	✗
Argon2i	✗	✗	✗	✗

## Some issues

- Another compiler is needed
- Proofs might get harder
- Performance



# Summary

- hacspec language
  - Testable
  - Easy to use
- Tooling available
  - Type checking
  - Compiler to formal languages

## Come and help us

- **Promote** and **use** hacspec in specifications
- Give us **feedback** on the language and tooling

<https://hacs-workshop.github.io/hacspec/>