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<u>Abstract</u>: Secure channels are one of the most pivotal building blocks in protected communications and data transfer, including Internet security, messaging applications, and IoT protocols. Yet, little is understood about what it means to achieve a "secure channel", and offered security guarantees vary widely. This talk addresses the topic of secure channels from a provable security perspective, covering both current challenges and future potential for achieving proofs of security in the channel context.

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