



Network Security Protocols

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Network Security

- **Application layer**
 - E-mail: PGP, using a web-of-trust
 - Web: HTTP-S, using a certificate hierarchy
- **Transport layer**
 - Transport Layer Security/ Secure Socket Layer
- **Network layer**
 - IP Sec
- **Network infrastructure**
 - DNS-Sec and BGP-Sec

Encryption and MAC/Signatures

Confidentiality (Encryption)

Sender:

- Compute $C = Enc_e(M)$
- Send C

Receiver:

- Recover $M = Dec_e(C)$

Auth/Integrity (MAC / Signature)

Sender:

- Compute $s = Sig_e(Hash(M))$
- Send $\langle M, s \rangle$

Receiver:

- Compute $s' = Ver_e(Hash(M))$
- Check $s' == s$

These are simplified forms of the actual algorithms

Email Security: Pretty Good Privacy (PGP)

Basic Security Properties

- **Confidentiality:**
- **Authenticity:**
- **Integrity:**
- **Availability:**
- **Non-repudiation:**
- **Access control:**

Basic Security Properties

- **Confidentiality:** Concealment of information or resources
- **Authenticity:** Identification and assurance of origin of info
- **Integrity:** Trustworthiness of data or resources in terms of preventing improper and unauthorized changes
- **Availability:** Ability to use desired information or resource
- **Non-repudiation:** Offer of evidence that a party indeed is sender or a receiver of certain information
- **Access control:** Facilities to determine and enforce who is allowed access to what resources (host, software, network, ...)

E-Mail Security

- **Security goals**
 - Confidentiality: only intended recipient sees data
 - Integrity: data cannot be modified en route
 - Authenticity: sender and recipient are who they say
- **Security non-goals**
 - Timely or successful message delivery
 - Avoiding duplicate (replayed) message
 - (Since e-mail doesn't provide this anyway!)

Sender and Receiver Keys

- If the sender knows the receiver's public key
 - Confidentiality
 - Receiver authentication
- If the receiver knows the sender's public key
 - Sender authentication
 - Sender non-repudiation



Sending an E-Mail Securely

- **Sender digitally signs the message**
 - Using the sender's private key
- **Sender encrypts the data**
 - Using a one-time session key
 - Sending the session key, encrypted with the receiver's public key
- **Sender converts to an ASCII format**
 - Converting the message to base64 encoding
 - (Email messages must be sent in ASCII)

Public Key Certificate

- **Binding between identity and a public key**
 - "Identity" is, for example, an e-mail address
 - "Binding" ensured using a digital signature
- **Contents of a certificate**
 - Identity of the entity being certified
 - Public key of the entity being certified
 - Identity of the signer
 - Digital signature
 - Digital signature algorithm id



Web of Trust for PGP

- **Decentralized solution**
 - Protection against government intrusion
 - No central certificate authorities
- **Customized solution**
 - Individual decides whom to trust, and how much
 - Multiple certificates with different confidence levels
- **Key-signing parties!**
 - Collect and provide public keys in person
 - Sign other's keys, and get your key signed by others

HTTP Security

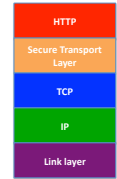
HTTP Threat Model

- **Eavesdropper**
 - Listening on conversation (confidentiality)
- **Man-in-the-middle**
 - Modifying content (integrity)
- **Impersonation**
 - Bogus website (authentication, confidentiality)



HTTP-S: Securing HTTP

- HTTP sits on top of secure channel (SSL/TLS)
 - https:// vs. http://
 - TCP port 443 vs. 80
- **All (HTTP) bytes encrypted and authenticated**
 - No change to HTTP itself!
- **Where to get the key???**



Learning a Valid Public Key

- **What is that lock?**
 - Securely binds domain name to public key (PK)
 - If PK is authenticated, then any message signed by that PK cannot be forged by non-authorized party
 - Believable only if you trust the attesting body
 - Bootstrapping problem: Who to trust, and how to tell if this message is actually from them?

Hierarchical Public Key Infrastructure

- **Public key certificate**
 - Binding between identity and a public key
 - "Identity" is, for example, a domain name
 - Digital signature to ensure integrity
- **Certificate authority**
 - Issues public key certificates and verifies identities
 - Trusted parties (e.g., VeriSign, GoDaddy, Comodo)
 - Preconfigured certificates in Web browsers

Public Key Certificate

This certificate has been verified for the following uses:
SSL Server Certificate

Issued To
Common Name (CN) www.wellsfargo.com
Organization (O) Wells Fargo and Company
Organizational Unit (OU) WF
Serial Number 41.CS.CD.90.95.3C.A1.48.C1.8A

Issued By
Common Name (CN) -Root Part Of Certificates-
Organization (O) VeriSign Trust Networks
Organizational Unit (OU) VeriSign, Inc.

Validity
Issued On 5/12/10
Expires On 5/13/11

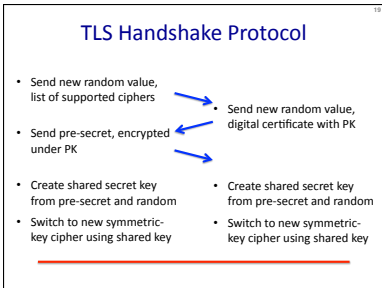
Fingerprints
SHA1 Fingerprint CS.EC.18.24.50.90.90.93.96.69.
MD5 Fingerprint 1C.51.99.C9.EA.78.F8.64.3F.92.F

Transport Layer Security (TLS)

Based on the earlier Secure Socket Layer (SSL) originally developed by Netscape

- ### Comments on HTTPS
- **HTTPS authenticates server, not content**
 - If CDN (Akamai) serves content over HTTPS, customer must trust Akamai not to change content
 - **Symmetric-key crypto after public-key ops**
 - Handshake protocol using public key crypto
 - Symmetric-key crypto much faster (100-1000x)
 - **HTTPS on top of TCP, so reliable byte stream**
 - Can leverage fact that transmission is reliable to ensure: each data segment received exactly once
 - Adversary can't successfully drop or replay packets

IP Security



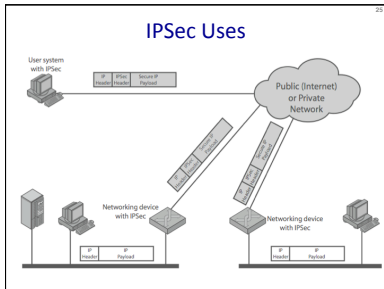
- ### TLS Record Protocol
- **Messages from application layer are:**
 - Fragmented or coalesced into blocks
 - Optionally compressed
 - Integrity-protected using an HMAC
 - Encrypted using symmetric-key cipher
 - Passed to the transport layer (usually TCP)
 - **Sequence #s on record-protocol messages**
 - Prevents replays and reorderings of messages

IP Security

- There are range of app-specific security mechanisms
 - eg. TLS/HTTPS, S/MIME, PGP, Kerberos, ...
- But security concerns that cut across protocol layers
- Implement by the network for all applications?

Enter IPsec!

- ### IPSec
- **General IP Security framework**
 - **Allows one to provide**
 - Access control, integrity, authentication, originality, and confidentiality
 - **Applicable to different settings**
 - Narrow streams: Specific TCP connections
 - Wide streams: All packets between two gateways



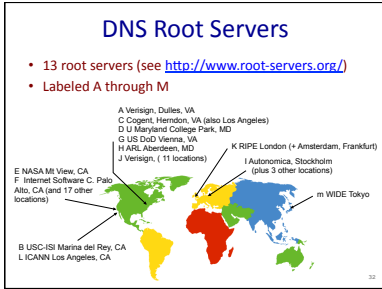
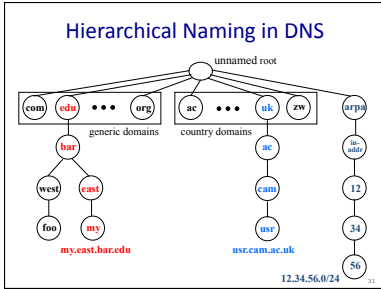
- ### Benefits of IPSec
- **If in a firewall/router:**
 - Strong security to all traffic crossing perimeter
 - Resistant to bypass
 - **Below transport layer**
 - Transparent to applications
 - Can be transparent to end users
 - **Can provide security for individual users**

- ### Replay Protection is Hard
- **Goal: Eavesdropper can't capture encrypted packet and duplicate later**
 - Easy with TLS/HTTP on TCP: Reliable byte stream
 - But IP Sec at packet layer; transport may not be reliable
 - **IP Sec solution: Sliding window on sequence #'s**
 - All IP Sec packets have a 64-bit monotonic sequence number
 - Receiver keeps track of which seqno's seen before
 - [latest - windowsize + 1, latest]; windowsize typically 64 packets
 - Accept packet if
 - seqno > latest (and update latest)
 - Within window but has not been seen before
 - If reliable, could just remember last, and accept iff last + 1

DNS Security

- ### IP Security Architecture
- **Specification quite complex**
 - Mandatory in IPv6, optional in IPv4
 - **Two security header extensions:**
 - **Authentication Header (AH)**
 - Connectionless integrity, origin authentication
 - MAC over most header fields and packet body
 - Anti-replay protection
 - **Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP)**
 - These properties, plus confidentiality

- ### Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP)
- **Transport mode: Data encrypted, but not header**
 - After all, network headers needed for routing!
 - Can still do traffic analysis, but is efficient
 - Good for host-to-host traffic
 - **Tunnel mode: Encrypts entire IP packet**
 - Add new header for next hop
 - Good for VPNs, gateway-to-gateway security



DoS attacks on DNS Availability

- Feb. 6, 2007
 - Botnet attack on the 13 Internet DNS root servers
 - Lasted 2.5 hours
 - None crashed, but two performed badly:
 - g-root (DoD), I-root (ICANN)
 - Most other root servers use anycast

Defense: Replication and Caching

Letter	Old name	Operator	Location
A	ns.internic.net	VeriSign	Dulles, Virginia, USA
B	ns3.isc.edu	ISI	Menlo Park, California, USA
C	l.pal.net	Cogent Communications	distributed using anycast
D	terp.umd.edu	University of Maryland	College Park, Maryland, USA
E	ns.nasa.gov	NASA	Mountain View, California, USA
F	ns.isc.org	ISC	distributed using anycast
G	ns.nic.ddn.mil	U.S. DoD NIC	Columbus, Ohio, USA
H	ass.art.army.mil	U.S. Army Research Lab	Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, USA
I	nic.nordu.net	Autonomica AB	distributed using anycast
J		VeriSign	distributed using anycast
K		RIPE NCC	distributed using anycast
L		ICANN	Los Angeles, California, USA
M		WIDE Project	distributed using anycast

source: wikipedia

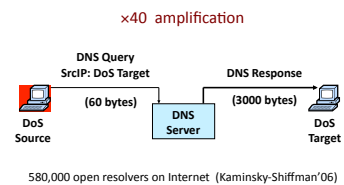
DNS Integrity and the TLD Operators

- If domain name doesn't exist, DNS should return NXDOMAIN (non-existent domain) msg
 - Or from somebody else?
- Verisign instead creates wildcard records for all [.com](#) and [.net](#) names not yet registered
 - September 15 – October 4, 2003
- Redirection for these domain names to Verisign web portal: "to help you search"
 - And serve you ads...and get "sponsored" search
 - Verisign and online advertising companies make \$\$

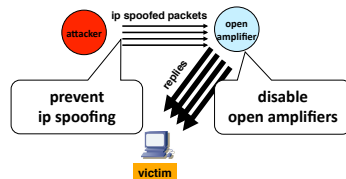
DNS Integrity: Cache Poisoning

- Was answer from an authoritative server?
 - Or from somebody else?
- DNS cache poisoning
 - Client asks for www.evil.com
 - Nameserver authoritative for www.evil.com returns additional section for (www.cnn.com, 1.2.3.4, A)
 - Thanks! I won't bother check what I asked for

Denial-of-Service Attacks on Hosts



Preventing Amplification Attacks



DNS Integrity: DNS Hijacking

- To prevent cache poisoning, client remembers:
 - The domain name in the request
 - A 16-bit request ID (used to demux UDP response)
- DNS hijacking
 - 16 bits: 65K possible IDs
 - What rate to enumerate all in 1 sec? 64B/packet
 - $64 * 65536 * 8 / 1024 / 1024 = 32$ Mbps
- Prevention: also randomize DNS source port
 - Kaminsky attack: this source port... wasn't random
 - <http://unixwiz.net/techtips/guide-kaminsky-dns-vuln.html>

Let's strongly believe the answer! Enter DNSSEC

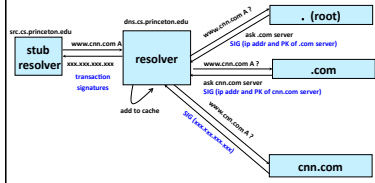
- DNSSEC protects against data spoofing and corruption
- DNSSEC also provides mechanisms to authenticate servers and requests
- DNSSEC provides mechanisms to establish authenticity and integrity

PK-DNSSEC (Public Key)

- The DNS servers sign the hash of resource record set with its private (signature) keys
 - Public keys can be used to verify the SIGs
- Leverages hierarchy:
 - Authenticity of name server's public keys is established by a signature over the keys by the parent's private key
 - In ideal case, only roots' public keys need to be distributed out-of-band

Verifying the Tree

Question: **www.cnn.com** ?



Conclusions

- Security at many layers
 - Application, transport, and network layers
 - Customized to the properties and requirements
- Exchanging keys
 - Public key certificates
 - Certificate authorities vs. Web of trust
- Next time
 - Interdomain routing security
- Learn more: take COS 432 in the fall!