Chapter 8 Security

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Chapter 8 roadmap

- 8.1 What is network security?
- 8.2 Principles of cryptography
- 8.3 Message integrity
- 8.4 Securing e-mail
- 8.5 Securing TCP connections: SSL
- 8.6 Network layer security: IPsec
- 8.7 Securing wireless LANs
- 8.8 Operational security: firewalls and IDS

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SSL: Secure Sockets Layer

- widely deployed security protocol
- supported by almost all browsers, web servers
- https
- billions \$/year over SSL
- mechanisms: [Woo 1994],
- implementation: Netscape variation -TLS: transport layer
- security, RFC 2246 (1999)
- provides confidentiality
- integrity
- authentication

- original goals:
 - Web e-commerce transactions
 - encryption (especially credit-card numbers)
 - Web-server authentication
 - optional client authentication
 - minimum hassle in doing business with new merchant
- * available to all TCP
- applications secure socket interface
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SSL and TCP/IP

Application				
SSL				
TCP				
IP				

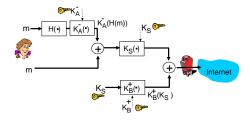
normal application

application with SSL

- SSL provides application programming interface 4 (API) to applications
- * C and Java SSL libraries/classes readily available

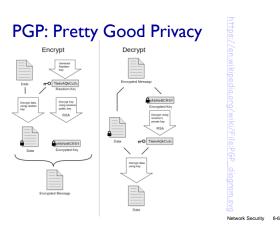
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Could do something like PGP:



- but want to send byte streams & interactive data
- * want set of secret keys for entire connection
- * want certificate exchange as part of protocol: handshake phase

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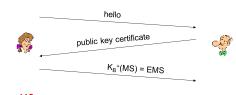


Toy SSL: a simple secure channel

- handshake: Alice and Bob use their certificates, private keys to authenticate each other and exchange shared secret
- key derivation: Alice and Bob use shared secret to derive set of keys
- data transfer: data to be transferred is broken up into series of records
- connection closure: special messages to securely close connection

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Toy: a simple handshake



MS: master secret EMS: encrypted master secret

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Toy: key derivation

- considered bad to use same key for more than one cryptographic operation
 - use different keys for Message Authentication Code (MAC) and encryption
- four keys:
 - K_c = encryption key for data sent from client to server
 - M_c = MAC key for data sent from client to server
 - K_s = encryption key for data sent from server to client
 - M_s = MAC key for data sent from server to client
- * keys derived from key derivation function (KDF)
 - takes master secret and (possibly) some additional random data and creates the keys

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Toy: data records

- why not encrypt data in constant stream as we write it to TCP?
 - where would we put the MAC? If at end, no message integrity until all data processed.
 - e.g., with instant messaging, how can we do integrity check over all bytes sent before displaying?
- instead, break stream in series of records
 - each record carries a MAC
 - receiver can act on each record as it arrives

length

issue: in record, receiver needs to distinguish MAC from data

data

• want to use variable-length records

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MAC

Toy: sequence numbers

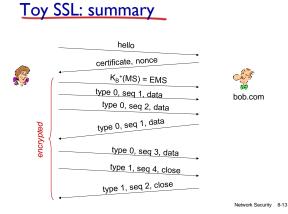
- problem: attacker can capture and replay record or re-order records
- * solution: put sequence number into MAC:
 - MAC = MAC(M_x, sequence||data)
 - note: no sequence number field
- problem: attacker could replay all records
- solution: use nonce

Toy: control information

- problem: truncation attack:
 - attacker forges TCP connection close segment
 - one or both sides thinks there is less data than there actually is.
- solution: record types, with one type for closure
 type 0 for data; type 1 for closure
- MAC = MAC(M_x, sequence||type||data)

length type data MAC

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SSL cipher suite

- cipher suite
 - public-key algorithm
 - symmetric encryption algorithmMAC algorithm
- SSL supports several cipher suites
- negotiation: client, server agree on cipher suite
 - client offers choice
 - server picks one

common SSL symmetric
ciphers

- DES Data Encryption
- Standard: block
- 3DES Triple strength: block
 RC2 Rivest Cipher 2: block
- RC4 Rivest Cipher 2:
- stream SSL Public key encryption
- RSA
- KOA

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Toy SSL isn't complete

- how long are fields?
- which encryption protocols?
- want negotiation?
 - allow client and server to support different encryption algorithms
 - allow client and server to choose together specific algorithm before data transfer

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Real SSL: handshake (1)

Purpose

- 1. server authentication
- 2. negotiation: agree on crypto algorithms
- 3. establish keys
- 4. client authentication (optional)

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Real SSL: handshake (2)

- 1. client sends list of algorithms it supports, along with client nonce
- server chooses algorithms from list; sends back: choice + certificate + server nonce
- client verifies certificate, extracts server's public key, generates pre_master_secret, encrypts with server's public key, sends to server
- client and server independently compute encryption and MAC keys from pre_master_secret and nonces
- 5. client sends a MAC of all the handshake messages
- 6. server sends a MAC of all the handshake messages

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Real SSL: handshaking (3)

last 2 steps protect handshake from tampering

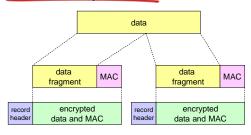
- client typically offers range of algorithms, some strong, some weak
- person-in-the middle could delete stronger algorithms from list
- last 2 steps prevent this
 - last two messages are encrypted

Real SSL: handshaking (4)

- * why two random nonces (one for server and one for client) in a session?
- suppose Trudy sniffs all messages between Alice & Bob
- next day, Trudy sets up TCP connection with Bob, sends exact same sequence of records
 - Bob (Amazon) thinks Alice made two separate orders for the same thing
 - solution: Bob sends different random nonce for each connection. This causes encryption keys to be different on the two days
 - Trudy's messages will fail Bob's integrity check

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SSL record protocol



record header: content type; version; length MAC: includes sequence number, MAC key M_x fragment: each SSL fragment 2¹⁴ bytes (~16 Kbytes) Network Security 8-20

SSL record format

1 byte	2 bytes(major/mino	r) 2 bytes				
content type	SSL version	length				
data						
MAC						

data and MAC encrypted (symmetric algorithm) MAC length is variable depending on the chosen algorithm, e.g., MD5: 128 bits MAC, SHA1: 160 bits MAC

handshake: ClientHello **Real SSL** handshake: ServerHello connection handshake: Certificate handshake: ServerHelloDone 8 handshake: ClientKeyExchange ChangeCipherSpec everything handshake: Finished henceforth is encrypted ChangeCipherSpec handshake: Finished application_data application_data Alert: warning, close_notify TCP FIN follows Network Security 8-22