What is Https

• HTTPS is an encrypted version of HTTP

Here's how https works including certificate signing

- 1. Public Key Infrastructure (PKI): HTTPS relies on PKI, which uses key pairs (private, public) and digital certifactes to secure communicateions
- 2. Digital Certifactes:
 - 1. Certificate Authority (CA): A trusted third party to issue digital certifacates.
 - 2. Certificate: Contains the public key, owner idenity and CA's digital certificate
- 3. Certificate Signing:
 - 1. When a website wants an SSL/TLS certificate, it generates a public private key pair and sends public key along with its identity to CA
 - 2. CA verifies identies and signs the certifacte using its private key, embedding the signature with in the certiface



4. HTTPS Handshake:

- 1. When a user connects to a website, browser requests the site's certificate
- 2. Browser checks the certificate's validity (expired, revocation, CA Trust)
- 3. If valid, the browser extracts public key from certificate
- 5. Session Key Establishment
 - 1. Browser generates a symmetric session key for encryption
 - 2. This session key is encrypted with public key and sent to the server
 - 3. only the server can decrypt this as it has the private key
- 6. Secure Communication:
 - 1. Both Browser and server use symmetric session key for fast and secure communication
 - 2. Symmetric encryption ensure data exchange is confidential and integrity protected

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- Setting up SSL Certificate on IIS
- Setting up SSL Certificate on Apache Server
- Setting up SSL Certificate on Nginx
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Connecting to windows servers

- When connecting to server we generally have two broader options
 - o connectivity for command line access
 - WinRM
 - SSH
 - o connectivity for GUI access:
 - mstsc (Remote Desktop Connections)

Connecting to Linux servers

- When connecting to server we generally have two broader options
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 - SSH
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 - VNC

SSH (Secure Shell)

- SSH supports two types of authentication
 - o password
 - key based authentication

How SSH Password authentication works

• Connection initiation: The client start an SSH session with the server using the ssh command

ssh username@ipaddress

- Password prompt: The server prompts the client for the users password
- Password Transmission: The client sends the password to the server (over encrypted channel)
- Authentication:
 - The server verifies the password and if it is correct the access is granted and session is established.