# Secure chat using Openssl and MITM attacks on it

**Group-2** 

# **Chat Application Messages:**

Chat message sent by Alice to Bob

chat\_hello chat\_STARTTLS chat\_close

• Chat message sent by Bob to Alice

chat\_reply
chat\_STARTTLS\_ACK
chat\_STARTTLS\_NOTSUPPORTED

# **Important Steps:**

# <u>Task-1:</u>

Use the OpenSSL commands to create a root CA certificate (V3 X.509 certificate, self-signed using 512-bit ECC Private Key of the root), a certificate of Alice (issued i.e., signed by the root CA) and a certificate of Bob (issued by the root CA).

Step-1: Generate a 512-bit ECC private key for the root.

```
ns@ns02:~/Task1$ openssl genpkey -algorithm EC -out root_key.pem -pkeyopt ec_paramgen_curve:brainpoolP512t1 -aes256
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Verifying - Enter PEM pass phrase:
ns@ns02:~/Task1$ _
```

Note: brainpoolP512t1 is the name of the standard elliptical curve which produces 512 bit private keys.

# Step-2: Separate the public key of the root and store it.

```
ns@ns02:~/Task1$ openssl pkey -in root_key.pem -pubout -out root_public.pem
Enter pass phrase for root_key.pem:
ns@ns02:~/Task1$ _
```

Step-3: Create a self signed CA certificate for the root.

## The resulting self-signed root CA certificate is as follows:

```
<1$ openssl x509 -in root.crt -noout -text</pre>
ertificate:
   Data:
          Version: 3 (0x2)
Serial Number:
                7e:80:00:fb:71:ea:15:1c:c2:6d:79:7c:81:a5:13:18:2b:23:df:07
          Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
Issuer: C = IN, ST = Telangana, L = Hyderabad, O = IITH, OU = NS, CN = www.group2.com, emailAddress = cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in
          Validity
Not Before: Mar 31 06:31:05 2022 GMT
          Not After: Mar 28 06:31:05 2032 GMT

Not After: Mar 28 06:31:05 2032 GMT

Subject: C = IN, ST = Telangana, L = Hyderabad, O = IITH, OU = NS, CN = www.group2.com, emailAddress = cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in

Subject Public Key Info:
                 Public Key Algorithm: id-ecPublicKey
Public-Key: (512 bit)
                              2d:e3:e5:f4:5e:8f:96:7b:67:aa:ed:ef:d4:61:74:
1f:4a:b5:70:f4:7f:aa:61:9a:b5:31:15:13:02:52:
fc:e7:3b:bf:51:90:5d:f1:f7:63:50:cd:a9:5e:76:
                              fb:4b:20:05:23:4f:0a:e0:6f:d2:c5:67:7d:e9:6f:6f:99:ab:5e:fd:c6:89:ac:71:5f:86:db:aa:38:82
                              97:bf:e9:33:1a:96:70:5b:db:4f:3c:35:ee:10:9d:
ea:aa:eb:1c:35:3f:43:94:5a:37:99:07:4f:b9:04:
                       ASN1 OID: brainpoolP512t1
                 X509v3 Subject Key Identifier:

0F:CD:30:D3:E5:AD:20:34:A9:C5:DC:3F:AC:88:5B:56:75:BE:8C:43
                 X509v3 Authority Key Identifier:
keyid:0F:CD:30:D3:E5:AD:20:34:A9:C5:DC:3F:AC:88:5B:56:75:BE:8C:43
                 X509v3 Basic Constraints: critical
   Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
30:81:85:02:40:1f:f0:08:b3:b7:10:f1:09:d8:a3:2b:38:cd:
            a7:6a:77:bd:d9:09:91:b1:78:7d:c5:fd:3a:54:b0:6f:79:55:b2:eb:e4:65:4e:16:bb:79:0a:3d:b4:c1:11:47:b7:d2:9c:1e:
            f5:ea:43:71:ad:5a:df:1f:85:8f:24:6c:7b:1f:29:02:41:00:96:2f:4b:cf:8e:ac:48:2b:f9:58:db:d5:d8:b2:c5:3e:f3:30:
            90.21.40.c1.62.43.44.67.73.63.00.70.80.62.23.62.13.30

409.82.de:c2:8b:d3:12:28:f5:b6:3b:c5:21:fd:61:99:e7:e8:

90:48:d0:c8:8d:29:16:59:97:bc:d3:44:63:1a:93:91:82:47:

b0:fb:53:39:d2:19:97:6c:47:c4
      02:~/Task1$
```

# **Step-4**: Generate a RSA private key for Alice and create a CSR to be signed by the root CA.

```
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl genrsa -out alice key.pem 2048
Generating RSA private key, 2048 bit long modulus (2 primes)
.....++++
e is 65537 (0x010001)
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl rsa -in alice key.pem -des3 -out alice private.pem
writing RSA key
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Verifying - Enter PEM pass phrase:
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl rsa -in alice private.pem -pubout -out alice public.pem
Enter pass phrase for alice private.pem:
writing RSA key
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl req -new -key alice_private.pem -out alice.csr
Enter pass phrase for alice private.pem:
You are about to be asked to enter information that will be incorporated
into your certificate request.
What you are about to enter is what is called a Distinguished Name or a DN.
There are quite a few fields but you can leave some blank
For some fields there will be a default value,
If you enter '.', the field will be left blank.
Country Name (2 letter code) [AU]:IN
State or Province Name (full name) [Some-State]:Telangana
Locality Name (eg, city) []:Hyderabad
Organization Name (eg, company) [Internet Widgits Pty Ltd]:IITH
Organizational Unit Name (eg, section) []:A block
Common Name (e.g. server FQDN or YOUR name) []:www.alice.com
Email Address []:cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in
Please enter the following 'extra' attributes
to be sent with your certificate request
A challenge password []:alice123
An optional company name []:A
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$
```

# Step-5: Get Alice's CSR signed by the root CA and verify Alice's certificate.

```
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openss1 x509 -req -days 360 -extfile v3.ext -in alice.csr -CA root.crt -CAkey root_key.pem -CAcreateserial -out ali ce.crt
Signature ok
subject=C = IN, ST = Telangana, L = Hyderabad, O = IITH, OU = A block, CN = www.alice.com, emailAddress = cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in
Getting CA Private Key
Enter pass phrase for root_key.pem:
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openss1 verify -CAfile root.crt alice.crt
alice.crt: OK
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$
```

## Step-6: Repeat this process for Bob

```
~/Task1/RSA$ openssl genrsa -out bob_key.pem 2048
Generating RSA private key, 2048 bit long modulus (2 primes)
 is 65537 (0x010001)
 s@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl rsa -in bob_key.pem -des3 -out bob_private.pem
writing RSA key
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Verifying - Enter PEM pass phrase:
s@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl rsa -in bob_private.pem -pubout -out bob_public.pem
Enter pass phrase for bob_private.pem:
writing RSA key
 s@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl req -new -key bob_private.pem -out bob.csr
Enter pass phrase for bob_private.pem:
You are about to be asked to enter information that will be incorporated
into your certificate request.
What you are about to enter is what is called a Distinguished Name or a DN.
There are quite a few fields but you can leave some blank
For some fields there will be a default value,
If you enter '.', the field will be left blank.
Country Name (2 letter code) [AU]:IN
State or Province Name (full name) [Some-State]:Telangana
Locality Name (eg, city) []:Hyderabad
Organization Name (eg, company) [Internet Widgits Pty Ltd]:Acad
Organizational Unit Name (eg, section) []:C Block
Common Name (e.g. server FQDN or YOUR name) []:www.bob.com
Email Address []:cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in
Please enter the following 'extra' attributes
to be sent with your certificate request
A challenge password []:bob123
An optional company name []:C
s@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ _
```

```
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl x509 -req -days 360 -extfile v3.ext -in bob.csr -CA root.crt -CAkey root_key.pem -CAcreateserial -out bob.crt
Signature ok
subject=C = IN, ST = Telangana, L = Hyderabad, O = Acad, OU = C Block, CN = www.bob.com, emailAddress = cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in
Getting CA Private Key
Enter pass phrase for root_key.pem:
```

```
ns@ns02:~/Task1/RSA$ openssl verify -CAfile root.crt bob.crt
bob.crt: OK
```

### Resulting Bob.crt looks like this:

```
ertificate:
  Data:
       Version: 3 (0x2)
       Serial Number
           04:02:df:f9:79:32:c1:f5:4f:dc:d5:14:ad:61:f0:09:da:7c:d8:45
       Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
       Issuer: C = IN, ST = Telangana, L = Hyderabad, O = IITH, OU = NS, CN = www.group2.com, emailAddress = cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in
       Validity
           Not Before: Apr 5 02:04:18 2022 GMT
           Not After : Mar 31 02:04:18 2023 GMT
       Subject: C = IN, ST = Telangana, L = Hyderabad, O = Acad, OU = C Block, CN = www.bob.com, emailAddress = cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in Subject Public Key Info:
           Public Key Algorithm: rsaEncryption
                RSA Public-Key: (2048 bit)
                Modulus:
                    b6:24:21:0d:ef:0c:0a:c2:f8:4f:3c:27:f1:b1:34:
                    6e:d7:9f:fb:70:1a:5e:50:7b:ff:e8:27:b2:64:50:
b4:24:ca:19:f0:07:d2:90:dc:dd:02:a0:e1:fa:c4:
                    56:9e:30:32:70:47:25:2a:38:b6:fe:1c:6c:32:b3:
                    fb:19:6d:9b:bc:f7:f7:c4:1a:c0:b6:4e:31:ef:57:
                    9b:07:ec:86:ac:5a:7d:64:cf:57:a5:60:78:f3:65:
                    34:49:bc:63:2a:b4:03:06:07:dc:23:dd:2a:02:b8:
                    20:63:c1:32:cf:59:e2:fc:f1:19:c2:08:d0:d0:a1:
6f:0c:30:75:2c:0b:33:6f:9b:09:ed:9e:f1:6f:03:
                    a5:9c:19:2d:d0:51:e8:62:72:d6:53:e7:0d:8d:77:
                Exponent: 65537 (0x10001)
       X509v3 extensions:
           X509v3 Authority Key Identifier:
keyid:0F:CD:30:D3:E5:AD:20:34:A9:C5:DC:3F:AC:88:5B:56:75:BE:8C:43
           X509v3 Basic Constraints:
               CA: FALSE
           X509v3 Key Usage:
  Digital Signature, Non Repudiation, Key Encipherment, Data Encipherment Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
        30:81:84:02:40:4c:bd:a4:2a:d9:46:24:8b:f0:13:07:3b:d1:
        a4:ec:08:34:36:4d:40:20:bf:0b:b3:a0:3a:32:52:b1:1f:5d:
        99:c1:8a:b1:51:0e:9a:66:12:49:c4:42:5f:7a:fc:b8:ab:25:
        0e:8b:53:24:30:a2:65:38:ae:01:0f:d7:07:08:23:02:40:13:
        08:6f:41:71:9a:31:7c:86:40:fc:fb:41:e8:48:5c:6f:bd:25:
```

## Resulting Alice.crt looks like this:

```
ns@ns02:~/Task1$ openssl x509 -in alice.crt -noout -text
Certificate:
   Data:
       Version: 3 (0x2)
        Serial Number:
           04:02:df:f9:79:32:c1:f5:4f:dc:d5:14:ad:61:f0:09:da:7c:d8:43
        Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
        Issuer: C = IN, ST = Telangana, L = Hyderabad, O = IITH, OU = NS, CN = w
ww.group2.com, emailAddress = cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in
       Validity
           Not Before: Mar 31 07:21:49 2022 GMT
           Not After: Mar 26 07:21:49 2023 GMT
       Subject: C = IN, ST = Telangana, L = Hyderabad, O = Alice Pvt Ltd, OU =
Canteen, CN = www.abc.com, emailAddress = cs21mtech12009@iith.ac.in
        Subject Public Key Info:
           Public Key Algorithm: id-ecPublicKey
                Public-Key: (512 bit)
                pub:
                    04:81:31:96:0c:88:58:69:f5:08:2f:eb:2b:90:a7:
                    bd:a9:db:e7:c0:49:cb:5d:1d:ba:73:48:98:85:a8:
                    de:e1:67:bd:07:3c:fe:a5:00:15:a0:c7:7f:0a:f1:
                    0e:f3:bc:37:10:2b:a4:46:d0:1d:7b:58:fb:8e:31:
                    cd:ec:46:65:6e:02:f0:7e:38:39:c2:cb:cf:64:24:
                    08:c5:1c:05:14:cc:55:93:2c:d3:df:df:62:07:5d:
                    aa:e7:68:ce:57:6d:61:84:f6:19:87:e0:2a:64:81:
                    3f:8c:1a:fd:21:a7:02:7a:b7:b3:39:81:45:1f:f9:
                    71:0d:35:d3:54:fd:a0:f9:0c
               ASN1 OID: brainpoolP512t1
       X509v3 extensions:
           X509v3 Authority Key Identifier:
               keyid:0F:CD:30:D3:E5:AD:20:34:A9:C5:DC:3F:AC:88:5B:56:75:BE:8C:4
           X509v3 Basic Constraints:
               CA:FALSE
           X509v3 Key Usage:
               Digital Signature, Non Repudiation, Key Encipherment, Data Encip
   Signature Algorithm: ecdsa-with-SHA256
         30:81:84:02:40:62:22:62:1f:9b:03:5f:ee:5a:c4:9f:6b:bc:
         51:64:8b:a3:71:c6:30:18:11:af:63:e6:8e:d1:9c:92:3c:dc:
         94:27:2e:11:b1:e6:be:ba:09:5f:d1:f5:46:27:71:30:b9:35:
         ea:e3:14:d6:90:d1:af:90:bb:3a:a6:46:59:fb:5e:02:40:1f:
         37:d2:1c:30:7f:f8:a8:19:2c:ca:1e:52:51:32:9a:16:62:05:
         35:7d:3a:f2:00:b8:d6:34:6d:15:7c:03:08:92:b9:fc:a8:2a:
         14:6a:38:f8:c6:46:e2:60:1c:90:0a:89:0b:9b:4a:18:31:1d:
        27:77:d7:b6:c1:d6:34:c0:9a
```

# Task-2:

Write a peer-to-peer application (secure\_chat\_app) for chatting which uses TLS 1.3 and TCP as the underlying protocols for secure and reliable communication.

#### chat\_hello and chat\_reply

- Alice sends chat\_hello to initiate the chat application, in reply Bob sends a chat\_reply message to Alice.
- These messages are sent in plain text and can be seen in the following screenshots.

```
Frame 4: 76 bytes on wire (608 bits), 76 bytes captured (608 bits)
 Ethernet II, Src: Xensourc_d0:af:c8 (00:16:3e:d0:af:c8), Dst: Xensourc_89:0d:45 (00:16:3e:89:0d:45)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 172.31.0.2, Dst: 172.31.0.3
 Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 36262, Dst Port: 9000, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 10
Data (10 bytes)
   Data: 636861745f68656c6c6f
   [Length: 10]
000 00 16 3e 89 0d 45 00 16
                              3e d0 af c8 08 00 45 00
                                                         ··>··E·· >····E·
010 00 3e 6c 58 40 00 40 06
                              76 1e ac 1f 00 02 ac 1f
                                                         ->1X@-@- v----
020 00 03 8d a6 23 28 d9 5b 34 f6 ec 0d fc 5c 80 18
                                                         · · · · #( · [ 4 · · · · \ · ·
                                                                   - - - PO - -
030 01 f6 58 74 00 00 01 01 08 0a ce cf 50 4f a2 80
                                                         - - Xt - -
040 ad 99 63 68 61 74 5f 68
```

### chat\_hello in plain text in pcap trace

```
> Frame 6: 76 bytes on wire (608 bits), 76 bytes captured (608 bits)
> Ethernet II, Src: Xensourc_89:0d:45 (00:16:3e:89:0d:45), Dst: Xensourc_d0:af:c8 (00:16:3e:d0:af:c8)
> Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 172.31.0.3, Dst: 172.31.0.2
> Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 9000, Dst Port: 36262, Seq: 1, Ack: 11, Len: 10

✓ Data (10 bytes)

     Data: 636861745f7265706c79
     [Length: 10]
0000 00 16 3e d0 af c8 00 16 3e 89 0d 45 08 00 45 00
                                                       -->----->--E--E-
0010 00 3e 36 b7 40 00 40 06 ab bf ac 1f 00 03 ac 1f
                                                       ->6-@-@-
                                                       ··#(·····\·[5···
0020 00 02 23 28 8d a6 ec 0d fc 5c d9 5b 35 00 80 18
                                                       ..Xt....
0030 01 fd 58 74 00 00 01 01 08 0a a2 80 ad 99 ce cf
0040 50 4f 63 68 61 74 5f 72 65 70 6c 79
                                                       POchat r eply
```

chat reply in plain text in pcap trace

#### 2. The Root CA certificate is stored in the Trust store of Alice and Bob

 The CA certificate (root.crt) is added to the Trust Store of Alice and Bob as shown below in the screenshot.

```
root@bob1:~# cp root.crt /usr/local/share/ca-certificates/
root@bob1:~# sudo update-ca-certificates
Updating certificates in /etc/ssl/certs...
1 added, 0 removed; done.
Running hooks in /etc/ca-certificates/update.d...
done.
root@bob1:~# _
```

### 3. chat\_STARTTLS and chat\_STARTTLS\_ack

- Alice sends chat\_STARTTLS to establish a TLSv1.3 pipe, in reply Bob sends a chat\_STARTTLS\_ack message to Alice after successful establishment of TLS.
- The program loads private keys and certificates of Alice and Bob and exchanges them.
- After that, both the parties communicate in secure fashion, messages are encrypted and can be seen in the following screenshots.

18 45.119940 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TLSv1.3 2	1327 Server Hello, Change Cipher Spec, Application Data, Application Data, Application Data, Application
19 45.119978 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TCP	66 36262 → 9000 [ACK] Seq=207 Ack=2289 Win=63872 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=3469738127 TSecr=
20 45.127777 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TLSv1.3 2	2133 Application Data, Application Data, Application Data
21 45.127801 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TCP	66 9000 → 36262 [ACK] Seq=2289 Ack=2274 Win=63872 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=2726387169 TSecr
22 45.129802 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TLSv1.3 1	217 Application Data
23 45.129819 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TCP	66 36262 → 9000 [ACK] Seq=2274 Ack=3440 Win=64128 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=3469738137 TSecr
24 45.129918 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TLSv1.3 1	217 Application Data
25 45.129925 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TCP	66 36262 → 9000 [ACK] Seq=2274 Ack=4591 Win=63872 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=3469738137 TSecr
26 50.269356 Xensourc_89:0d:45	Xensourc_d0:af:c8		ARP	42 Who has 172.31.0.2? Tell 172.31.0.3
27 50.271335 Xensourc_d0:af:c8	Xensourc_89:0d:45		ARP	42 Who has 172.31.0.3? Tell 172.31.0.2
28 50.271357 Xensourc_89:0d:45	Xensourc_d0:af:c8		ARP	42 172.31.0.3 is at 00:16:3e:89:0d:45
29 50.271369 Xensourc_d0:af:c8	Xensourc_89:0d:45		ARP	42 172.31.0.2 is at 00:16:3e:d0:af:c8
30 132.272 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TLSv1.3	97 Application Data
31 132.272 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TCP	66 9000 → 36262 [ACK] Seq=4591 Ack=2305 Win=64128 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=2726474314 TSecr
32 136.396 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TLSv1.3	97 Application Data
33 136.396 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TCP	66 36262 → 9000 [ACK] Seq=2305 Ack=4622 Win=64128 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=3469829404 TSecr
34 137.309 Xensourc_89:0d:45	Xensourc_d0:af:c8		ARP	42 Who has 172.31.0.2? Tell 172.31.0.3
35 137.309 Xensourc_d0:af:c8	Xensourc_89:0d:45		ARP	42 172.31.0.2 is at 00:16:3e:d0:af:c8
36 148.710 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TLSv1.3	103 Application Data
37 148.710 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TCP	66 9000 → 36262 [ACK] Seq=4622 Ack=2342 Win=64128 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=2726490751 TSecr
38 152.641 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TLSv1.3	97 Application Data
39 152.641 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TCP	66 36262 → 9000 [ACK] Seq=2342 Ack=4653 Win=64128 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=3469845648 TSecr
40 163.681 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.3	36262	9000 TLSv1.3	98 Application Data
41 163.681 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.2	9000	36262 TCP	66 9000 → 36262 [ACK] Seq=4653 Ack=2374 Win=64128 [TCP CHECKSUM INCORRECT] Len=0 TSval=2726505722 TSecr

After Server Hello, change cipher spec message, all the chat data is sent in encrypted mode

#### 4. Secure chat between Alice and Bob

```
root@alice1:~# python3 secure_chat_app.py -c bob1
Message from Bob: chat_reply
Message from Bob: chat_STARTTLS_ACK
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Bob Certificate Verified Succesfully....
TLSv1.3 Handshake Completed....
TLSv1.3 established Succesfully....
#### Secure Chat ######
Enter message to send it to Bob: Hello Bob
Message from Bob: Hey Alice
Enter message to send it to Bob: How are you? :)
Message from Bob: I am good
Enter message to send it to Bob: chat_close
Closing TLSv1.3 and TCP Connection
root@alice1:~#
```

#### Alice

```
root@bob1:~# python3 secure_chat_app.py -s
Bob listening on IP: 172.31.0.3
Waiting for Alice to connect.....
Message from Alice: chat hello
Message from Alice: chat STARTTLS
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Alice Certificate Verified Succesfully....
TLSv1.3 Handshake Completed....
TLSv1.3 established Succesfully....
#### Secure Chat ######
Message from Alice: Hello Bob
Enter message to send it to Alice: Hey Alice
Message from Alice: How are you? :)
Enter message to send it to Alice: I am good
Closing TLSv1.3 and TCP Connection
root@bob1:~#
```

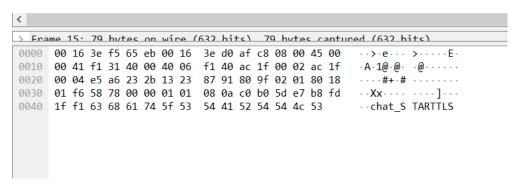
**Bob** 

- 5. chat\_close
- As soon as Alice wants to close the chat application, it sends chat close to Bob.
- Both of them closes the TLSv1.3 and TCP connection
- 6. task2.pcap is captured at bob1

# Task 3:

Downgrade attack by Trudy by blocking the chat\_STARTTLS message from Alice (Bob) to Bob (Alice).

- 1. Trudy poisons the DNS Server of Alice, so IP of Bob (172.31.0.3) is replaced by IP of Trudy (172.31.0.4). So, when Alice tries to connect to Bob, it actually gets connected to Trudy.
- 2. For this task, Trudy has created 2 sockets → fakebob socket and fakealice socket:
  - fakebob\_sock → True Alice gets connected to Fake Bob, which helps block the chat STARTTLS message
  - fakealice\_sock → The messages received by fakebob\_sock or True Bob is forwarded to True bob or True Alice via this socket
  - alice\_sock → After True alice connects to fakebob\_sock we store the connection to this
- As soon as fakebob\_sock receives a chat\_STARTTLS message, it sends chat\_STARTTLS\_NOTSUPPORTED to True alice via alice\_sock launching a successful TLS downgrade attack.



Alice sends chat\_STARTTLS, which is blocked by Trudy

# Trudy sends chat\_STARTTLS\_NOTSUPPORTED upon receiving chat\_STARTTLS from Alice

```
      00 16 3e f5 65 eb 00 16
      3e d0 af c8 08 00 45 00
      -->-e--->----E-

      00 3d f1 33 40 00 40 06
      f1 42 ac 1f 00 02 ac 1f
      -=-3@-@--B-----

      00 04 e5 a6 23 2b 13 23
      87 9e 80 9f 02 1b 80 18
      ---#+-#------

      01 f6 58 74 00 00 01 01
      08 0a c0 b0 a6 20 b8 fd
      ---Xt--------------------------

      1f f1 48 65 6c 6c 6f 20
      42 6f 62
      ---Hello Bob
```

#### Trudy forwards the message "Hello Bob" from Alice to Bob

```
00 16 3e d0 af c8 00 16 3e f5 65 eb 08 00 45 00 ··›···›

00 3d 68 7b 40 00 40 06 79 fb ac 1f 00 04 ac 1f ·=h{@·@·y·····

00 02 23 2b e5 a6 80 9f 02 1b 13 23 87 a7 80 18 ··#+····

01 fd 58 74 00 00 01 01 08 0a b8 fd 80 ab c0 b0 ··Xt····

a6 20 48 65 79 20 41 6c 69 63 65 · Hey Al ice
```

Trudy forwards the message "Hey Alice" from Bob to Alice

4. So, Alice will start unsecure chat application with True Bob, all the normal traffic is forwarded in plaintext to and fro Alice and Bob via Trudy using fakebob\_sock and fakealice\_sock and can be seen in the above screenshots.

```
ns@ns02:~$ lxc exec alice1 bash
root@alice1:~# python3 secure_chat_app.py -c bob1
IP of Bob is: 172.31.0.4
Message from Bob: chat_reply
chat_STARTTLS sent to Bob
TLS not supported by Bob....
#### Unsecure Chat #####
Enter message to send it to Bob: Hello Bob
Message from Bob: Hey Alice
Enter message to send it to Bob: chat_close
Closing TCP Connection
root@alice1:~#
```

#### Alice

```
ns@ns02:~$ lxc exec bob1 bash
root@bob1:~# python3 secure_chat_app.py -s
Bob listening on IP: 172.31.0.3
Waiting for Alice to connect.....
Message from Alice: chat_hello
Message from Alice: Hello Bob
Enter message to send it to Alice: Hey Alice
Message from Alice: chat_close
TCP Connection closed!
root@bob1:~# _
```

#### Bob

```
s@ns02:~$ lxc exec trudy1 bash
root@trudy1:~# python3 secure_chat_interceptor.py -d alice1 bob1
Fake Bob listening ...
Waiting for Alice to connect.....
True Alice Connected to Fake Bob with IP: 172.31.0.4
Fake Alice Connected to True Bob with IP: 172.31.0.3
Message from True Alice: chat hello
Forwarding to Bob as it as ....
Message from True Bob: chat reply
Forwarding to Alice as it as .... chat_reply
Message from True Alice: chat STARTTLS
Block, send STARTTLS NOTSUPPORTED to True Alice .... chat STARTTLS
Successfully launched TLS Downgrade Attack....
Message from True Alice: Hello Bob
Forwarding to Bob as it as ....
Message from True Bob: Hey Alice
Forwarding to Alice as it as .... Hey Alice
Message from True Alice: chat close
Forwarding to Bob as it as ....
root@trudy1:~#
```

Trudy launching TLS downgrade attack

#### 5. The task3.pcap file is captured at Trudy1

# Task 4:

Active MITM attack by Trudy to tamper the chat communication between Alice and Bob. For this task also, you can assume that Trudy poisoned the /etc/hosts file of Alice (Bob) and replaced the IP address of Bob (Alice) with that of her.

- Trudy poisons the DNS Server of Alice, so IP of Bob (172.31.0.3) is replaced by IP of Trudy (172.31.0.4). So, when Alice tries to connect to Bob, it actually gets connected to Trudy.
- Similar to Task1, we generate fake alice and bob certificates and the root.crt (CA certificate) is added to the Trust Store of Trudy.
- 3. For this task also, Trudy has created 2 sockets → fakebob socket and fakealice socket:
  - fakebob\_sock → True Alice gets connected to Fake Bob, which helps block the chat STARTTLS message
  - fakealice\_sock → The messages received by fakebob\_sock or True Bob is forwarded to True bob or True Alice via this socket
  - alice\_sock → After True alice connects to fakebob\_sock we store the connection to this
- 4. As soon as Trudy receives (fakebob\_sock) chat\_STARTTLS from True Alice, it sends Fake Bbob certificate to True Alice during TLS certificate exchange. Similarly, Trudy sends a Fake Alice certificate to True Bob. So, Trudy establishes 2 TLS pipes, one between True Alice and Fake Bob and another between Fake Alice and True Bob. The 2 TLS pipes can be seen in task4.pcap trace, and the screenshot below:

22 5.146955 Xensourc_d0:af:c8	Xensourc_f5:65:eb		ARP	42 172.31.0.2 is at
23 15.690112 172.31.0.2	172.31.0.4	58800	9003 TLSv1.3	249 Client Hello
24 45 (00427 472 24 0 4	470 04 0 0	0000	FOOOD TOD	CC 0003 - F0000 FACE

TLSv1.3 from True Alice (172.31.0.2) to Fake Bob

42 31.002782 Xensourc_89:0d:45	Xensourc_f5:65:eb		ARP	42 172.31.0.3 is	
43 34.494251 172.31.0.4	172.31.0.3	53712	9003 TLSv1.3	249 Client Hello	
44 34.494351 172.31.0.3	172.31.0.4	9003	53712 TCP	66 9003 → 53712 [	

TLSv1.3 from Fake Alice to True Bob(172.31.0.3)

5. So, any message that Tru Alice sends to True Bob or vice versa is passed through Trudy and she can launch MITM by tampering the messages shown below:

```
root@alice1:~# python3 secure_chat_app.py -c bob1
IP of Bob is: 172.31.0.4
Message from Bob: chat_reply
chat STARTTLS sent to Bob
Message from Bob: chat STARTTLS ACK
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Bob Certificate Verified Succesfully....
TLSv1.3 Handshake Completed....
TLSv1.3 established Succesfully....
#### Secure Chat ######
Enter message to send it to Bob: Hello Bob, this is Alice!
Message from Bob: This message from Bob is distorted by Trudy--->0
Enter message to send it to Bob: Are you reciving my messages?
Message from Bob: Yes
Enter message to send it to Bob: chat close
Closing TLSv1.3 and TCP Connection
root@alice1:~#
```

#### Alice

```
root@bob1:~# root@bob1:~# python3 secure_chat_app.py -s
Bob listening on IP: 172.31.0.3
Waiting for Alice to connect.....
Message from Alice: chat_hello
Message from Alice: chat STARTTLS
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Alice Certificate Verified Succesfully....
TLSv1.3 Handshake Completed....
TLSv1.3 established Succesfully....
#### Secure Chat ######
Message from Alice: This message from Alice is distorted by Trudy--->0
Enter message to send it to Alice: Hey Alice!
Message from Alice: Are you reciving my messages?
Enter message to send it to Alice: Yes
Closing TLSv1.3 and TCP Connection
root@bob1:~#
```

```
root@trudy1:~# root@trudy1:~# python3 secure_chat_interceptor.py -m alice1 bob1
ake Bob listening ...
Waiting for Alice to connect.....
True Alice Connected to Fake Bob with IP: 172.31.0.4
Fake Alice Connected to True Bob with IP: 172.31.0.3
Message from True Alice: chat_hello
Sent chat reply....
Message from True Alice: chat_STARTTLS
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Alice Certificate Verified Succesfully....
TLSv1.3 Handshake Completed With Real Alice....
TLSv1.3 established Succesfully With Real Alice....
Message from Bob: chat_reply
Message from Bob: chat_STARTTLS_ACK
Enter PEM pass phrase:
Bob Certificate Verified Succesfully....
TLSv1.3 Handshake Completed With Real Bob....
TLSv1.3 established Succesfully With Real Bob....
#### Secure Chat ######
Original Message from Alice: Hello Bob, this is Alice!
Distorted Message = This message is distorted--->0
Distorted message sent successfully
Message from Real Bob: Hey Alice!
Distorted Message = This message is distorted--->0
Original Message from Alice: Are you reciving my messages?
This message from Alice is sent as it is
Distorted message sent successfully
Message from Real Bob: Yes
This message from Bob is sent as it is
Closing TLSv1.3 and TCP Connection
root@trudy1:~#
```

**Trudy distorting some messages** 

## **Credit Statement:**

Tasks	Revanth Rokkam	Arkadeb Ghosh	Divya Pathak
Task 1	Did entirely		
Task 2	task2.pcap analysis	Collaborative work → TCP connection, TLS certificate updation in trust store by Divya and TI establishment code by Arkadeb	
Task 3			Did entirely
Task 4		Did entirely	
Report	Collaborative work → Task 1 by Revanth, Task 2, 3, 4 collaboratively by Arkadeb and Divya		
Readme, Makefile, Pcap analysis	Collaborative work		
Bug Fixes	Collaborative work		

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