TiigerTLS is an implementation of TLS1.3 in Rust (Server and Client) and C++ (Client only). It is intended for application in constrained, perhaps embedded, environments, so it has a small footprint. It uses only stack memory, and no memory is allocated at runtime. A typical implementation might be on a Raspberry Pi Pico. It does not support earlier versions of TLS. It does implement both the full handshake and the faster resumption handshake

More complete documentation can be found in the cpp/doc directory in this repository.

All of the cryptographic support necessary for TLS is drawn from a SAL, a Security Abstraction Layer. The user may supply their own SAL, or a SAL can be configured from a mix of open source libraries. A default SAL is provided which implements all of the required cryptography using constant time, side-channel resistant algorithms. The SAL may include Post-Quantum primitives if so desired. It may also make use of hardware resources. The SAL API is designed to provide maximum support for cryptographic agility.

The TLS protocol starts with a Client Hello message sent from the client to the server. This message contains a number of mandatory and optional extensions. The coverage of the TLS1.3 standard (RFC8446) can be gauged by the number of supported extensions. By this metric TiigerTLS compares favourably with competing products.

Support
Yes
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