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Procedure

- 1. Server creation
 - a. Develop root certificates and intermediate certificates using open SSL
 - b. Develop Server certificates and store on a server side subdirectory
 - c. Use intermediate CA to develop client certificates and allow trust chain verification.
 - d. Use TLS encryption to connect server to client and send data over HTTPS

2. Sendmsg

- a. Client sends server a certificate
- b. Server verifies the certificate with trust chain verification
- c. If the certificate is accepted, Client sends a Get request stating there is a message to be sent, along with the messages to be sent
 - i. This message will be parsed to determine a list of users
- d. If valid cert, server sends back requested certificate of the included lists of users
- e. Client takes certificate, signs messages using openssl, and sends these signed messages back to the server
- f. Server adds signed messages to pending mailbox
- 3. Receive msg
 - a. Client sends server certificate and request to read messages
 - b. If valid cert, server accesses the server-side mailbox for the client
 - c. The server encrypts the messages and sends them over TLS to the client, where it is displayed.
 - d. After this is sent, the server clears the file.
- 4. `getcert` user will get their certificate
 - a. We will store the certificate on the server via OpenSSL
 - b. We will return a copy of the certificate to the client
- 5. Optional: 'changepwd' user will be able to change their password
 - a. IF there are no pending messages (directory with the certificate name is empty), then proceed. Else, do not allow changing the password.
 - b. What really happens is they get a new certificate, unless somehow you can change the password of the current certificate via OpenSSL
 - c. Old will be deleted, new will be stored and returned as copy

Architecture

\ getcert.cpp

\ certs
\ ca
\ certs
\ crl
\ intermediate
\ intermediate CA data
\ newcerts
\ private
\ private keys
\ server
\certificates
\crypto_lib
\csr
\private
\mail
\ user mailboxes
\ Makefile and Source Code
\ client
\certificates
\crypto_lib
\csr
\private
\mail
\ user mailboxes
\ Makefile and Source Code
\ Makefile
\ README.md

Files: getcert.c/cpp, changepw.c/cpp, sendmsg.c/cpp, recvmsg.c/cpp, openssl_setup.sh, gen_cert.sh, backups.txt, Makefile

- server.cpp will generate the server for this system, accepting incoming connections, verifying their certificates, and either adding to files within each mailbox or reading from files within each mailbox.
- client.cpp will generate the connection to the server, sending its certificate along with a get request to either send a message or receive messages.
- getcert.c/cpp will take in a username and password, verify the username and password using its hashed version, and then call gen_cert.sh to generate a certificate for the user which we will also store on the server
- changepw.c/cpp will take in a username and password, verify the username and password, and changes the password. If a user has unreceived messages, the program quits. If it continues, it deletes the pre existing cert, and then calls getcert.
- openssl_setup.sh will set up a certificate authority (only needs to be run once, from Makefile)

- gen_cert.sh will use server certs/keys to generate user certs, will be called by getcert only, and will be the only program with access to server certs/keys (aside from the setup)

Planned Testing protocol

- Test if at any point buffer overflows occur
- Test if a user can send a message to an invalid user
- Test to see if an invalid user can get into the system
- Test to see if passwords are at all able to be accessed by outside users, likewise for messages
- Test if users can change other users passwords
- Test if at any point messages can be corrupted or removed
- Test if the program is secure against issues in the network connection (if connection fails, what data is potentially lost? Back it up, etc)
- Make sure only valid users can generate certs
- Make sure if a user tries to use a cert that does not belong to them that is caught
- Make sure expired certs are not accepted
- Make sure all root certs are read/write protected and not accessible by users
- Make sure we catch any interceptions on network via integrity checking
- Test if multiple messages can be sent with invalid recipients mixed in
- Test if users are able to access other pending mailboxes
- Test if users are able to remove other users pending mail