# 1. Configuring TLS for a Web Server

#### **Tools Needed:**

- Apache/Nginx Web Server
- OpenSSL
- Let's Encrypt (for free SSL certificates)
- A Linux-based server (Ubuntu/Debian recommended)

### Steps:

1. Install the Web Server

```
For Apache:
sudo apt update && sudo apt install apache2 -y
For Nginx:
sudo apt update && sudo apt install nginx -y
```

#### 2. Generate an SSL Certificate Using Let's Encrypt

```
Install Certbot:
sudo apt install certbot python3-certbot-nginx -y

Obtain an SSL certificate (replace example.com with your domain):
sudo certbot --nginx -d example.com -d www.example.com
```

#### 3. Manually Generate a Self-Signed Certificate (Optional for Testing)

```
sudo openssl req -x509 -nodes -days 365 -newkey rsa:2048 -keyout
/etc/ssl/private/selfsigned.key -out /etc/ssl/certs/selfsigned.crt
```

3.

#### 4. Configure the Web Server for HTTPS

```
For Nginx, edit the config file:
sudo nano /etc/nginx/sites-available/default

Add these lines inside the server {} block:
listen 443 ssl;
ssl_certificate /etc/ssl/certs/selfsigned.crt;
```

```
ssl_certificate_key /etc/ssl/private/selfsigned.key;
```

#### Restart the server:

sudo systemctl restart nginx

- 5. Test TLS Configuration
  - Open a browser and visit <a href="https://example.com">https://example.com</a>.
  - Use openss1 to check TLS handshake:
     openss1 s\_client -connect example.com:443

# 2. Setting Up SSH with Key-Based Authentication

#### **Tools Needed:**

- OpenSSH
- A client machine (Linux/Mac or Windows with PuTTY)

### Steps:

1. Generate SSH Key Pair on Client Machine

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096 -f ~/.ssh/id_rsa -C
"your_email@example.com"
```

2. Copy Public Key to Server

ssh-copy-id username@server-ip

- 3. Manually Add Public Key to Server (if ssh-copy-id is unavailable)
  - Copy the content of ~/.ssh/id\_rsa.pub from the client machine.

Add it to the server's ~/.ssh/authorized\_keys:

```
echo "your-public-key" >> ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
```

chmod 600 ~/.ssh/authorized\_keys

2. Disable Password Authentication (Optional for Security)

Edit SSH config file on the server:

```
sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config
```

Set the following options:

plaintex

PasswordAuthentication no

#### 3. Restart SSH Service

sudo systemctl restart ssh

#### 4. Test SSH Login Using Key-Based Authentication

ssh username@server-ip

# 3. Implementing a Secure Communication Channel

#### **Tools Needed:**

- OpenVPN or WireGuard (for VPN setup)
- GnuPG (for encrypted messaging)
- TLS/SSL for HTTPS communication

## **Option 1: Secure Communication with OpenVPN**

```
Install OpenVPN on the server:
```

```
sudo apt install openvpn -y
```

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2. Set up OpenVPN with a basic configuration (or use WireGuard for modern security).

## Option 2: Secure Messaging with GnuPG

```
Generate GPG key pairs:
```

```
gpg --full-generate-key
```

1. Encrypt a message:

```
gpg --encrypt --recipient "recipient@example.com" message.txt
```

2. Decrypt the message:

# 4. Analyzing Protocol Security Using Wireshark

#### **Tools Needed:**

- Wireshark
- tcpdump (for remote packet capture)

### Steps:

1. Install Wireshark

```
On Linux:
```

```
sudo apt install wireshark -y
```

- o On Windows: Download from wireshark.org.
- 2. Capture Network Traffic
  - o Run Wireshark and select the network interface (e.g., eth0 or wlan0).
  - Start capturing packets.
- 3. Filter Packets for TLS/SSH Traffic

```
Use the filter:
```

nginx

```
tls or ssh
```

To inspect HTTPS, filter:

ini

```
tcp.port == 443
```

To inspect SSH traffic, filter:

ini

```
tcp.port == 22
```

### 4. Analyze Encrypted Traffic

- Check if any weak ciphers are used.
- Look for handshake messages to verify TLS negotiation.

## Capture Remote Traffic Using tcpdump

sudo tcpdump -i eth0 port 443 -w capture.pcap

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o Transfer capture.pcap to your local machine and analyze it in Wireshark.