TLS/SSL handshake

Securing your Browser

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An Introduction to HTTP

- Hyper Text Transfer Protocol
- One of the application layer protocols that make up the Internet
 - HTTP over TCP/IP
 - Like SMTP, POP, IMAP, NNTP, FTP, etc.
- The underlying language of the Web
- Three versions have been used, two are in common use and have been specified:
 - RFC 1945 HTTP 1.0 (1996)
 - RFC 2616 HTTP 1.1 (1999)

HTTPS

HTTP + SSL

Cryptography

Important information Data, Data, Data.

Encryption

Encryption Algorithm = cipher Plain Text



 $Hh2sh! \sim hH = = E\#@ns8676\% = = = sdf$

Cipher Text

Cryptography cont.

Important information Data, Data, Data.



Decryption Algorithm



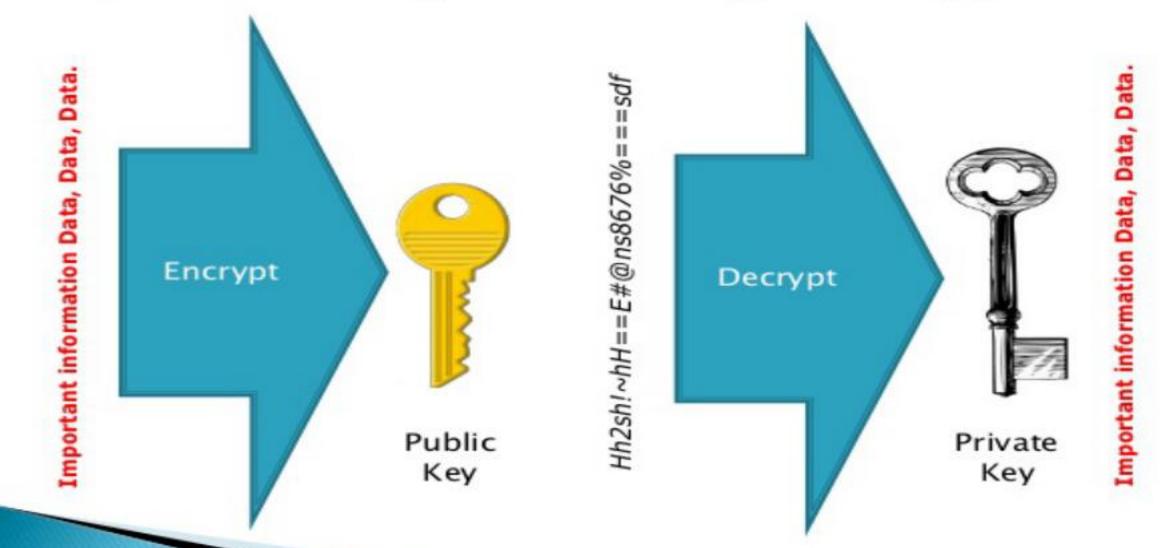
 $Hh2sh! \sim hH = = E\#@ns8676\% = = = sdf$

| byte |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| oo | 07 | 05 | 03 | 04 | 05 | OP | 07 | 08 | 09 | 70 | 77 | 75 | 13 | 14 | 15 |

byte		byte	byte
OO		Oå	12
byte		byte	byte
Ol		09	13
byte	byte	byte	byte
O2	Ob	10	14
byte	byte	byte	byte
O3	07	11	15



Asymmetric (public-key) encryption



Type of Cryptography	Advantages	Disad vantages
Symmetric	Smaller key size. Reduction in storage space owing to the use of same key at both ends. Faster speed and effcient. Implementation of the hardware easier. Minimum consumption of communication resources.	Individual communication link needs particular secret key. Key management is difficult because of the dynamic structure and self organizing capability of the nodes.
Asymmetric	Solves the problem of key distribution. Computationally intensive because of the usage of mathematical functions.	Requires longer keys. Slower and not efficient for small wireless devices. Requires high processing power and bandwidth.



SSL Session

- Uses asymmetric encryption to privately share the session key
 - Asymmetric has a lot of overhead
- Uses symmetric encryption to encrypt data
 - Symmetric encryption is quicker and uses less resource



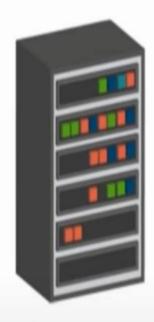
ClientHello





Client

- 1. SSL or TLS version
- 2. Cryptographic algorithms
- 3. Data compression methods



Server

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*** ClientHello, TLSv1.2
RandomCookie: *** ClientHello, TLSv1.2
RandomCookie: GMT: -1892413556 bytes = { GMT: -351008774 bytes = { 169, 131, 204, 213,
154, 96, 7, 136, 43, 142, 232, 138, 148, 171, 52, 226, 155, 202, 145, 57, 210, 132, 227, 18<mark>2,</mark>
67, 222, 161, 28, 20 }
Session ID: 239, 10, 92, 143, 185, {}
93, Cipher Suites: [Unknown 0x8a:0x8a, TLS ECDHE ECDSA WITH AES 128 GCM SHA2<mark>56,</mark>
TLS ECDHE RSA WITH AES 128 GCM SHA256,
TLS ECDHE ECDSA WITH AES 256 GCM SHA384,
TLS ECDHE RSA WITH AES 256 GCM SHA384, Unknown 0xcc:0xa9, Unknown 0xcc:0xa8,
TLS ECDHE RSA WITH AES 128 CBC SHA, TLS ECDHE_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA,
TLS RSA WITH AES 128 GCM SHA256, TLS RSA WITH AES 256 GCM SHA384,
TLS RSA WITH AES 128 CBC SHA, TLS RSA WITH AES 256 CBC SHA,
SSL RSA WITH 3DES EDE CBC SHA]
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ServerHello



Client

- 1. Cryptographic algorithm agreement
- 2. Session ID
- 3. Server's digital certificate
- 4. Server's public key



Server

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*** ServerHello, TLSv1.2
RandomCookie: GMT: 1518335451 bytes = { 19, 150, 56, 42, 168, 202, 151, 43,
174, 226, 187, 53, 135, 67, 244, 170, 59, 176, 105, 150, 50, 112, 167, 83, 192, 48,
171, 64 }
Session ID: {91, 128, 246, 219, 26, 93, 46, 172, 85, 212, 221, 79, 20, 186, 108, 134,
200, 239, 150, 102, 172, 24, 125, 171, 137, 53, 5, 130, 53, 228, 2, 195}
Cipher Suite: TLS ECDHE RSA WITH AES 128 CBC SHA
Compression Method: 0
Extension renegotiation info, renegotiated connection: <empty>
***
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It also contains a Digital Certificate.

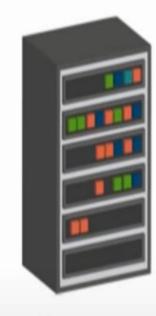
Certificate Authority(CA)











Server

Man-in-the-Middle (MITM) Attack Concept

There were away to get around the encryption instead o0f trying to break it



E{a,b,c} = Ali's, Ahmed's, and Man's public keys, respectively

- Ali wants to send secure messages to Ahmed.
- Man intercepts Ali's messages.
- Man talks to Ali and pretends to be Ahmed.
- Man talks to Ahmed and pretends to be Ali.

MITM Attack Concept

- Ali uses the public key she thinks she received from Ahmed (Man's)
- Ahmed uses the key he thinks is Ali's (also Man's)
- As a result, Man not only gains access to secure information but also can modify it (e.g. transfer money to a different account etc.)

MITM and Certificates

- Digital Certificates designed to solve the problem but do they always help?
- The MITM would have to create his own certificate with a private/public key.
- He still sit between client and server, acting as server to the client and client to the server, listening in on everything sent between the two.

The solution "chain of trust"

- To verify the authenticity and identity of the certificates themselves.
- linked back to a trustworthy source of certificates.
- Web browsers and operating systems will only trust certificates that directly or indirectly link back to one of a handful of CAs, the "root CAs."
- Any certificate that doesn't link back to a root CA such as a self-signed certificate will generate a big scary warning in the browser.
 - How to create a self-signed SSL Certificate ...
 - http://www.akadia.com/services/ssh_test_certificate.html

Digital Certificate Contents

Version

Certificate Serial Number

Signature Algorithm Identifier

Issuer Name

Validity (Not Before / Not After)

Subject Name

Subject Public Key Information

Issuer Unique Identifier

Subject Unique Identifier

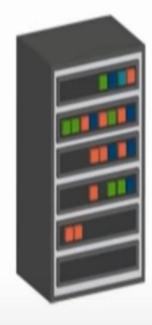
Extensions

Certification Authority's Digital Signature



ClientKeyExchange

A shared secret key encrypted with the server's public key.



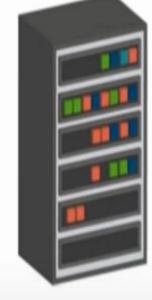
Server

Client



Finished(client)

The finish message is encrypted with the shared secret key-handshake complete.



Server

Client

Finished(server)



Client

The finish message is encrypted with the shared secret key-handshake complete.



Server



Exchange Messages





Server

Thank You