

Chapter 9: Network Security

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Outline

- Goals and threats
- Cryptography
- Network security mechanisms



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Goals and Threats





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- Confidentiality
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Threats to communications

- Eavesdropping
 - Message interception
 - Information leakage
- Impersonation
 - Spoof source address
- Hijacking
 - Replace sender or receiver in ongoing connection
- Message insertion
 - Spurious messages delivered
 - Valid message replayed
 - Denial of service
 - Prevent communication (service from being used)

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Goals and Threats





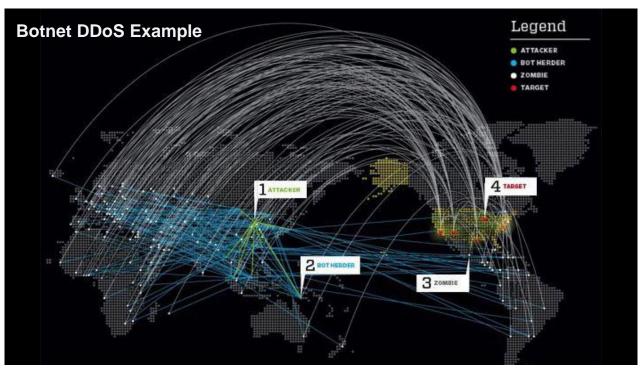
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Threats to end-hosts

- Malware
 - Virus: self-replicating infection by user intervention
 - Worm: self-replicating infection without user intervention
- Spyware
 - Records and reports keystrokes, private information
- Rotnets
 - A collection of malware infected hosts controlled by a bot master
 - Used for spam and DDoS attacks

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Policy vs. Enforcement

- Security policy for an online transaction
 - Authenticate vendor to buyer
 - Communicate credit card number to vendor securely
 - Authenticate identity of buyer
 - Deliver goods upon payment
- Policy enforcement
 - Authentication
 - Message security
 - Message integrity
 - Non-repudiation
 - Privacy







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Terminology



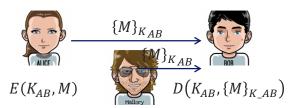
Alice's secret key
Bob's secret key
Secret key shared between Alice and Bob
Alice's private key (known only to Alice)
Alice's public key (published by Alice for all to read)
Message M encrypted with key K
Message M signed with key K

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Cryptography

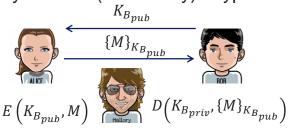
Symmetric Cryptography



- Techniques
 - Confusion reordering function
 - Diffusion redundancy
- Key size > brute force attack
- How to distribute K_{AB} securely?
- How to prevent *replay attack*?



Asymmetric (Public key) Crypto



- Depends on trap-door functions
- 100 to 1000 times slower than symmetric
- Used to:
 - Exchange shared keys
 - Sign messages

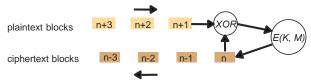
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Ciphers

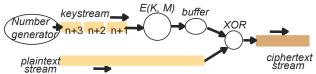


Block ciphers



- Crypto algorithms encrypt small blocks of data ~ 64-bit
- Blocks transmitted as soon as encrypted
- Cipher Block Chaining (CBC)
 - XOR with previous block to prevent statistical attack
 - Random first block sent in clear text

Stream ciphers



- Streaming data has variable datarate
 - Don't want to wait for block size
 - Don't want to pad to block size
- Generate keystream, encrypt, and store in buffer
- Mix buffer with streaming data

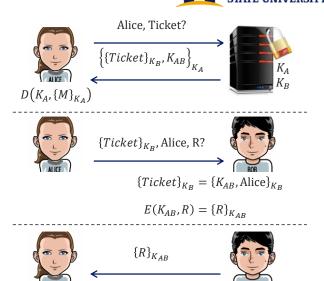
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 $D(K_{AB}, \{R\}_{K_{AB}})$

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Authentication

- Needham-Schroeder
 - Alice wants to access resource R held by Bob
 - Alice needs to authenticate to Bob
 - Alice gets secure ticket (also called a challenge) from server
 - Alice sends ticket to Bob with her request
 - Bob examines ticket
 - Bob sends resource, for example
 WiFi key, to Alice



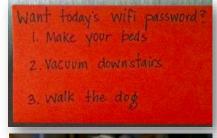
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WiFi Encryption

- Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP)
 - Key 10 or 26 hexadecimal digits
 - Uses a stream cipher with same key for all packets
- Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA)
 - Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP)
 - Dynamic key for each packet
 - WPA-Personal WPA-PSK (pre-shared key)
 - 8 to 63 printable ASCII characters
 - 256 bit key is calculated by applying the PBKDF2 key derivation function to the passphrase, using the SSID as the salt and 4096 iterations of HMAC-SHA1
 - WPA-Enterprise
 - · Requires an authentication server
 - Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP) suite used for authentication
 - Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS)
 - Simplifies authentication process
 - Current implementation vulnerable to attacks.







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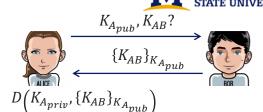
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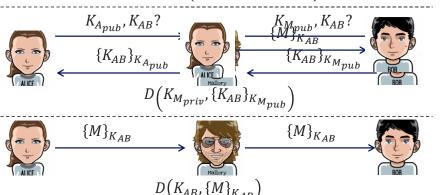
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Man in the middle attack



 Shared key exchange is intercepted by Mallory posing as Bob





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Digital Signatures

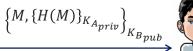


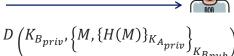
- Bob needs to know if message from Alice
- Alice signs the document
 - Creates secure digest H(M) using secure hash function, i.e., $P(H(M) = H(M')) \cong 0$
 - Signs digest with private key
- Bob can authenticate the signature using Alice's public key

Why sign digest rather than the whole message?

Get balance 1. Request Alice 2. Name 6262626 Account 4. Signature H(field 2 + field 3)







$$D\left(K_{A_{pub}},\{H(M)\}_{K_{A_{priv}}}\right)$$

$$H(M) = ?H(\text{decrypted }M)$$

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Secure email



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Suppose Alice wants to securely communicate with Bob. Design an efficient communication mechanism that provides confidentiality, message integrity, and sender authentication.



Efficient symmetric key encryption

Shared key encrypted by Bob's public key

Message digest signed with Alice's private key

Is your email secure?



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