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The SafeCloud Service

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Introduction and Requirements

The SafeCloud service consists of a simple yet secure cloud-based storage service in which, by connecting to a remote *SafeCloud server*, *authenticated users* are offered functionalities such as uploading or downloading arbitrary files from their reserved space, or *storage pool*, on the server, deleting or renaming existing files as well as listing the contents of their *storage pool* and of their local *download directory*.

Functional Requirements

The service's functional requirements are outlined below:

- The service shall be comprised of two separate modules exchanging information via socket communication:
 - A SafeCloud Server application, to be deployed on a system holding the users' storage
 pool and credentials, which by accepting incoming client connections on a specified port
 implements functionalities such as establishing a secure communication with multiple
 SafeCloud Client applications, authenticating users within the service and carrying out
 their desired operations on their private storage pools.
 - o A *SafeCloud Client* application, by which users can authenticate and establish a secure communication with the specified *SafeCloud Server* endpoint as well as issuing and viewing the results of *application commands* relative to their private *storage pools*.
- Users in the service shall be divided into *unauthenticated users* (or *guests*) and *authenticated users*.
- Each *authenticated user* is assigned, within the *SafeCloud Server* system they are registered in, a unique and private *storage pool* holding their files and not accessible by other users.
- *Unauthenticated users* shall be allowed only to log in by authenticating within the service.
- Authenticated users shall be allowed the following application operations on the SafeCloud Server system they are registered in:
 - o Upload arbitrary local files of a size up to 4GB to their storage pool.
 - Download files from their storage pool into their local predefined *download folder*.
 - Delete files from their storage pool after asking for confirmation.
 - Rename files in their storage pool.
 - List the contents of their storage pool.
 - List the contents of their download folder.
 - o Log out from the *SafeCloud Server* and terminate the *SafeCloud Client* application.

Non-Functional Requirements

The service's main non-functional requirements are discussed below:

Security

- 1) The service shall enforce *Confidentiality* and *Origin Authentication* on all the application-level messages associated with the user's operations without relying on a pre-shared secret between the *SafeCloud Client* and *SafeCloud Server* application.
- 2) Each user of the service shall be associated with the following cryptographic quantities:
 - A long-term RSA key pair on 2048-bit in PEM format encrypted with a user-defined password.
 - The certificate of a root *Certification Authority* (CA)
 - The root CA Certificate Revocation List (CRL).
- 3) Each *SafeCloud Server* system shall be associated with the following cryptographic quantities:
 - The server's long-term RSA key pair on 2048-bit.
 - The server's certificate signed by the root *Certification Authority* (CA).
 - o The RSA public key on 2048-bit of each user registered within the system.
- 4) In establishing a secure communication, users and the *SafeCloud Server* application shall authenticate with one another by:
 - The SafeCloud Server shall provide its certificate released by the root CA, which shall be automatically validated by the SafeCloud Client application using the root CA's certificate and certificate revocation list.
 - The SafeCloud Client shall provide the server the user's name (username) and a challenge's response signed with the user's private RSA key, which shall be verified by the server through the public RSA key associated with such username.
- 5) A custom *Key Exchange Protocol* aimed at exchanging a shared symmetric *session key* between the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* applications shall be devised.
- 6) The secure communication shall provide protection against replay attacks.
- 7) The secure communication shall provide *Perfect Forward Secrecy (PFS)*, meaning that the compromising of the user's or server's long-term private RSA keys must not compromise the confidentiality of past sessions.
- 8) Secure coding principles shall be enforced to prevent vulnerabilities allowing for undesired behaviours, such as but not limited to accessing or manipulating the private storage pool of other users or uploading files of size greater than 4GB.

Reliability

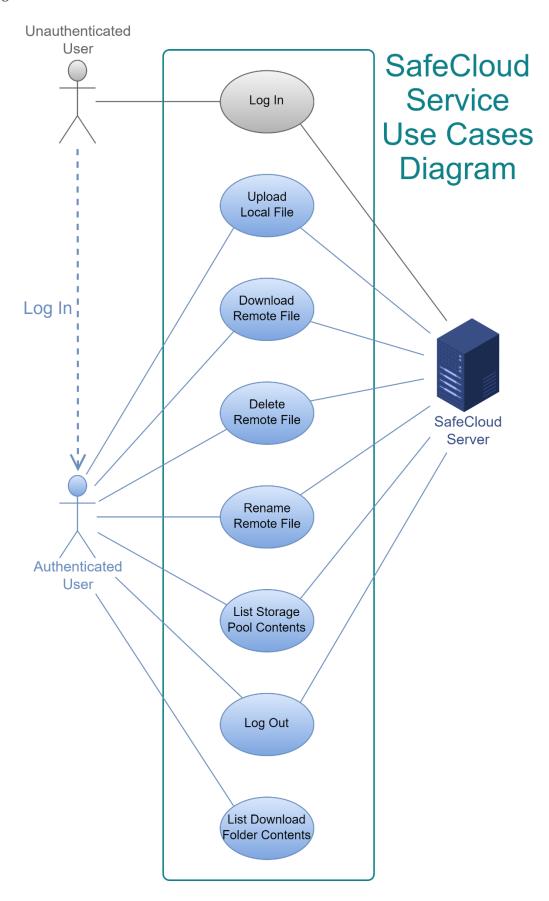
9) All erroneous conditions in the service execution should be handled so as to enforce a consistent state between the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* application, allowing if possible the transparent resumption of the application's functionalities.

Usability

10) The *SafeCloud Client* application shall offer its functionalities via an intuitive interface requiring no IT expertise in its use.

Use Cases Diagram

From the analysis of its functional requirements the service's actor and use cases have been outlined in the diagram below:



General Design Choices

The general design choices and underlying hypotheses of the service that have been developed are outlined below:

- 1) The service was developed in the C++14 language to enable for an object-oriented design as well as for the versatile error handling technique represented by the exceptions mechanism.
- 2) Being the service innately I/O bound and lacking specific performance requirements, in their first release both the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* were developed as single-threaded applications, with requests from multiple clients being handled on the latter via I/O multiplexing mechanisms.
- 3) In view of the considerable number of OS-specific parameters in accessing the file system (e.g. path traversal modes, maximum file names length, metadata format, etc.) in their first release both the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* application have been developed to be executed in Linux-based environments only.
- 4) From a security standpoint:
 - The system the *SafeCloud Server* is deployed in is considered a *trusted security domain*, with security mechanisms for preventing the access or manipulation of the server or user files not being taken into account, while both the user input and messages sent by the *SafeCloud Client* application are considered as *tainted*, with sanitization techniques being employed by both the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* applications.
 - Mechanisms for preventing the access or manipulation of the user's private files from outside the *SafeCloud Server* and *Client* applications are not taken into account.
- 5) While actually implemented through a challenge-response mechanism based on their long-term RSA key pair, from the standpoint of users of the *SafeCloud Client* applications authentication is carried out by providing:
 - Their case-insensitive *username*, which must match a registered username with its associated public RSA key within the *SafeCloud Server* instance to connect to, and, in terms of constraints, it:
 - Cannot be empty.
 - Must be at most 30 characters long.
 - Can contain only letters (a-z, A-Z), numbers (0-9) and the '_' character.
 - Must start with a letter (a-z, A-Z).
 - Their case-sensitive *password*, corresponding to the password allowing the decryption of their private RSA key file encrypted using the AES_128_CBC cipher, whose characters should be hidden during inputs and, in terms of constraints:
 - Cannot be empty.
 - Must be at most 30 characters long.
- 6) A user registration mechanism conceptually based on retrieving their public RSA key via a certificate and initializing their storage pool has been postponed to future application versions.
- 7) In addition to their cryptographic quantities outlined in the application's requirements, once authenticated within the service users are associated with:
 - Their *main directory*, corresponding to the local *download directory* on the *SafeCloud Client* and their *storage pool* on the *SafeCloud Server* application.
 - A *temporary directory*, which is used to store the partial files being uploaded or downloaded, which are renamed and moved to the associated *main directory* once the file transfer has completed.

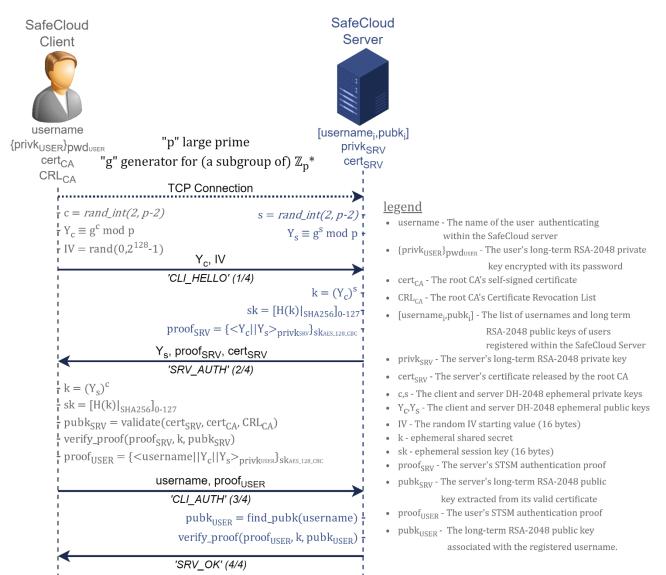
- 8) Once a TCP/IP connection has been established, the service execution and communication between the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* application has been divided into two main phases:
 - A Key Establishment and Authentication Phase, which is carried out by the two applications performing an ad-hoc protocol termed Station-to-Station Modified (STSM), which is thoroughly described later.
 - A Session Phase, in which the authenticated user can issue and view the result of application commands regarding their storage pool, with the associated messages exchanged by the Client and Server application being both encrypted and authenticated.
- 9) *Confidentiality* in the data exchanged between the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* is obtained by encrypting and decrypting it via the *AES_128* cipher, which is used in different *encryption modes* in the two service phases:
 - In CBC mode in the Key Establishment and Authentication Phase.
 - In *GCM mode* in the *Session Phase* so as to also enforce the *integrity* of the exchanged data.
- 10) The AES_128 encryption modes used to exchange encrypted data between the SafeCloud Client and Server require a 16-byte (128 bit) shared Initialization Vector (IV), whose initial random value is established at the start of the Key Establishment and Authentication Phase and is kept synchronized by the two parties by autonomously incrementing its value for each encryption or decryption operation.
- 11) The users' storage pools on the *SafeCloud Server* system consist of a single directory, with files being uploaded or downloaded via their *name*, with the capability of defining sub-directories within a storage pool being postponed to future service developments.
- 12) In addition to their names and possibly contents, all provided *operations* also manage the files' *metadata*, including:
 - Their *size* in bytes.
 - Their *last modified time*, which is mirrored from their source into uploaded or downloaded files.
 - Their creation time, which unlike the last modified time cannot be mirrored from their source into uploaded or downloaded files as such an API is not provided by the Linux kernel.
- 13) Checks to prevent transferring the same version or overwriting a more recent version of a file have been provided when uploading or downloading a file.
- 14) In addition to *authenticated users* explicitly logging out from the *SafeCloud Server* they are logged in, an action triggering the shutdown of their *SafeCloud Client* application, both the *SafeCloud Server* and *SafeCloud Client* applications are capable of handling the subset of Linux inter-process signals aimed at interrupting or terminating a process (*SIGINT*, *SIGTERM*, *SIGQUIT*), whose reception triggers an orderly shutdown procedure which is described later.

Station-to-Station Modified (STSM) Protocol

As previously introduced, once a TCP/IP connection has been established, the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* applications execute via message exchange a *Key Establishment and Authentication* phase, whose purposes include:

- 1) Establishing the initial random value of the 16-byte (128 bit) *Initialization Vector (IV)* to be used for encrypting and decrypting data.
- 2) Establishing a shared ephemeral *Session Key* so as to meet the *Perfect Forward Secrecy (PFS)* requirement.
- 3) Authenticating the user and the server with one another, which is accomplished by exchanging and verifying *proofs* based on their long-term RSA key pairs, preventing on the one hand *Manin-the-Middle (MIM)* attacks and on the other acting as an implicit *Log In* mechanism.

Such operations are carried out by the two applications by executing an ad-hoc protocol termed *Station-to-Station-Modified (STSM)* protocol, consisting in a custom variant of the <u>Station-to-Station (STS)</u> key agreement protocol that, in addition to establishing a shared DH-2048 ephemeral <u>Session Key</u> and providing the <u>Key Confirmation</u> property, has been extended so as to also establish the initial IV value as well as incorporate the user's <u>Log In</u> functionalities, a protocol whose nominal execution and message exchange is outlined below:



The execution of the STSM protocol can be logically divided into the following steps associated with the messages being exchanged:

0) Preliminaries

Once a TCP/IP connection has been established, both the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* application generate an ephemeral DH-2048 key pair $\{c, Y_C\}$, $\{s, Y_S\}$, with the client also randomly generating the 16-byte "IV" starting value.

1) 'CLI_HELLO' message

The client sends the server the 'CLI_HELLO' STSM message, containing:

- 1- Its ephemeral DH-2048 public key " Y_C ".
- 2- The starting random "IV" value.

With the server using the ephemeral public key " Y_C " to derive the ephemeral shared secret "k" and the resulting shared ephemeral key "sk" as the first 16 bytes of its SHA-256 hash.

2) 'SRV_AUTH' message

The server prepares its *STSM authentication proof* consisting of the concatenation of the two actors' ephemeral DH-2048 public keys " $Y_C \mid\mid Y_S$ ":

- 1. Signed with the server's long-term RSA-2048 private key " $privk_{SRV}$ " so as to authenticate the *SafeCloud Server* with respect to the client.
- 2. Encrypted with the AES-128 cipher in CBC mode using the resulting ephemeral session key "sk" and the "IV" starting value so as to provide the *key confirmation* property.

$$proof_{SRV} = \{ < Y_C \mid\mid Y_S>_{privk_{SRV}} \}_{sk_{AES_128_CBC}}$$

The server then sends the client the 'SRV_AUTH' STSM message, containing:

- 1- Its ephemeral DH-2048 public key " Y_S ".
- 2- Its STSM authentication proof " $proof_{SRV}$ ".
- 3- Its certificate signed by the root CA " $cert_{SRV}$ ".

Once received, such message is validated by the SafeCloud Client by:

- 1. Verifying the server's certificate to belong to the *SafeCloud Server*, to have been signed by the root CA and to have not been revoked.
- 2. Extracting from the server's certificate its public key " $pubk_{SRV}$ "
- 3. Using the ephemeral public key " Y_S " to derive the ephemeral shared secret "k" and the resulting shared ephemeral key "sk" as the first 16 bytes of its SHA-256 hash.
- 4. Verifying the server's STSM proof by decrypting it using the ephemeral key "sk" and the starting "IV" value and verifying the signature via the server's long-term RSA-2048 public key " $pubk_{SRV}$ ".

3) 'CLI_AUTH' message

The client prepares its *STSM authentication proof* consisting of the concatenation of its username and the two actors' ephemeral DH-2048 public keys " $username \mid\mid Y_C \mid\mid Y_S$ ":

- 1. Signed with the client's long-term RSA-2048 private key " $privk_{USER}$ " so as to authenticate and $Log\ In$ the user with respect to the $SafeCloud\ Server$.
- 2. Encrypted with the AES-128 cipher in CBC mode using the resulting ephemeral session key "*sk*" and the incremented "IV" value so as to provide the *key confirmation* property.

$$proof_{USER} = \{ \langle username \mid \mid Y_C \mid \mid Y_S \rangle_{privk_{USER}} \}_{Sk_{AES}} \}_{Sk_{$$

The client then sends the server the 'CLI_AUTH' STSM message, containing:

- 1- The user's name "username".
- 2- The user's authentication proof " $proof_{USER}$ ".

Once received, such message is validated by the SafeCloud Server by:

- 1. Asserting that a user with such "username" is registered within the server and retrieving its associated long-term RSA-2048 public key " $pubk_{USER}$ ".
- 2. Verifying the user's STSM proof by decrypting it using the ephemeral key "sk" and the starting "IV" value and verifying the signature via the client's long-term RSA-2048 public key " $pubk_{SRV}$ ".

It should also be noted that the user's STSM proof verification:

- Prevents an adversary from impersonating a user as, even by correctly carrying
 out the previous protocol steps, without knowing the user's private key
 "privk_{USER}" it is impossible to forge a valid user STSM proof signature.
- Protects against replay attacks, as the server's ephemeral DH-2048 public key Y_S is randomly generated for every new client connection, preventing the reuse of a previous valid user STSM proof signature.

4) 'SRV OK' message

In the case of a successful user authentication the *SafeCloud Server* notifies the *SafeCloud* Client of the STSM protocol completion by sending a 'SRV_OK' STSM message with no payload.

While computationally secure regardless of the timing of its execution, the STSM protocol was provided with the additional security measure of the *SafeCloud Server* enforcing the *SafeCloud Client* messages ('CLI_HELLO', 'CLI_AUTH') to be provided in a timely manner, i.e. within a maximum delay from the moment the TCP connection was established or the 'SRV_AUTH' message was sent, a constraint further precluding online attacks based on traffic analysis techniques carrying no performance penalty.

STSM Messages Structure



STSM messages exchanged in the protocol are divided into:

- A *header*, comprised of:
 - A "msgLen" field of 2 bytes storing the message's total length in bytes, information that
 is used on the receiving side to wait for the full message to have been received before
 parsing it as well as a means to assert the validity of received STSM message types of
 constant length.
 - o A "msgType" field of 1 byte storing the STSM message type.
- *(optional)* A *payload,* whose contents and length depend on the STSM message type and its total length in bytes.

The STSM message types are logically divided into:

• *STSM handshake messages*, which include the previously described four messages exchanged in a successful STSM execution.

| STSM Handshake Message Types | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------|--|----------|
| Typo | Docarintion | Direction | | Payload | |
| Туре | Description | Direction | Attribute | Description | Size (B) |
| CLI_HELLO | STSM protocol | Client → | Y_C | Client's ephemeral DH-2048 public key | 1194 |
| CLI_IIELLO | start | Server | IV | Initialization Vector initial random value | 16 |
| | Server STSM authentication message | | Y_S | Server's ephemeral DH-2048 public key | 1194 |
| SRV_AUTH | | Client ← Server | $proof_{SRV}$ | Server's STSM authentication proof | 272 |
| | | | $cert_{SRV}$ | Server's certificate | variable |
| CLI_AUTH | User STSM authentication | Client → | username | User's name | variable |
| GLI_AUTII | message | Server | $proof_{USER}$ | User's STSM authentication proof | 272 |
| SRV_OK | STSM protocol completion | Client ← Server | _ | | |

STSM error messages, which have no payload and are sent in case of errors in the protocol's
execution, causing its abortion and the disconnection between the SafeCloud Client and Server
applications.

| STSM Error Message Types | | | |
|--------------------------|--|-----------------|--|
| Type | Description | Direction | |
| ERR_CLI_TIMEOUT | The server received a STSM message after the maximum delay | Client ← Server | |
| ERR_INVALID_PUBKEY | The party received an invalid DH- 2048 ephemeral public key | Client ↔ Server | |

| ERR_SRV_AUTH_FAILED | The server failed the STSM authentication | Client → Server |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| ERR_SRV_CERT_REJECTED | The client rejected the Server's certificate | Client → Server |
| ERR_CLIENT_LOGIN_FAILED | The server has no registered user with such <i>username</i> | Client ← Server |
| ERR_CLI_AUTH_FAILED | The client failed the STSM authentication | $Client \leftarrow Server$ |
| ERR_UNEXPECTED_MESSAGE | The party received an out-of-order STSM handshake message | $Client \leftrightarrow Server$ |
| ERR_MALFORMED_MESSAGE | The party received a malformed STSM message | $Client \leftrightarrow Server$ |
| ERR_UNKNOWN_STSMMSG_TYPE | The party received a STSM message of unknown type | $Client \leftrightarrow Server$ |

Service Session Phase

Should the *Key Establishment and Authentication Phase* complete successfully, the service's execution switches to the *Session Phase*, in which, as previously introduced, users can issue and view the results of the provided *application operations*, which, apart from listing the contents of the user's download directory, are carried out through the exchange of *Session Messages* and *Session Raw Data* between the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* applications.

Session Messages Structure



In a similar fashion to STSM messages, session messages consist of:

- A *header*, comprised of:
 - A "msgLen" field of 2 bytes storing the message's total length in bytes, information that
 is used on the receiving side to wait for the full message to have been received before
 parsing it as well as a means to assert the validity of received session message types of
 constant length.
 - o A "msgType" field of 1 byte storing the session message type.
- *(optional)* A *payload,* whose contents and length depend on the session message type and its total length in bytes.

The session message types are logically divided into:

• *Payload Session Message Types*, which are session messages carrying a payload:

| Payload Session Message Types | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|---|--------------|
| | | | | Payload | |
| Type | Description | Direction | Attribute | Description | Size (B) |
| FILE_UPLOAD | UPLOAD | Client → | fileName | The name of the file to be uploaded | vari able |
| _REQ | operation start | Server | fileMeta | The metadata of the file to be uploaded | 24 |
| FILE_DOWNLOAD _REQ | DOWNLOAD operation start | Client → Server | fileName | The name of the file to be downloaded | vari able |
| FILE_DELETE _REQ | <i>DELETE</i> operation start | Client → Server | fileName | The name of the file to be deleted | vari able |
| | | | oldFile nameLen | The old file name length (B) | 8 |
| FILE_RENAME _REQ | RENAME operation start | Client → Server | old Filename | The old file name | vari able |
| | | | new Filename | The new file name | vari able |
| FILE_EXISTS | The storage pool contains a file of such <i>name</i> | Client ← Server | fileMeta | The <i>metadata</i> of the file with such <i>name</i> in the storage pool | 24 |
| POOL_SIZE | Storage pool serialized size | Client ← Server | poolInfoSize | Storage pool information size | 32 |

• *Non-error Signaling Session Message Types*, representing session messages without a payload that are not used for notifying errors:

| Non-error Signaling Session Message Types | | | |
|---|--|---------------------------------|--|
| Type | Description | Direction | |
| FILE_LIST_REQ | LIST operation start | Client → Server | |
| FILE_NOT_EXISTS | The storage pool does not contain a file of such <i>name</i> | Client ← Server | |
| CONFIRM | Operation confirmation notification | Client \rightarrow Server | |
| CANCEL | Operation cancellation notification | $Client \rightarrow Server$ | |
| COMPLETED | Operation completion notification | $Client \leftrightarrow Server$ | |
| BYE | Graceful disconnection notification | $Client \leftrightarrow Server$ | |

• *Error Signaling Session Message Types*, representing session messages without a payload that are used for notifying errors:

| Error Signaling Session Message Types | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|
| Type | Description | Direction | |
| ERR_INTERNAL_ERROR | The party experienced an internal error | Client ↔ Server | |
| ERR_UNEXPECTED_SESS_MESSAGE | The party received a session message type invalid for its current <i>operation</i> and <i>step</i> | Client ↔ Server | |
| ERR_MALFORMED_SESS_MESSAGE | The party received a malformed session message | $Client \leftrightarrow Server$ | |
| ERR_UNKNOWN_SESSMSG_TYPE | The party received a session message of unknown type | $Client \leftrightarrow Server$ | |

Unlike STSM error messages, sending or receiving Error Signaling Session Messages does not trigger the disconnection between the SafeCloud Client and Server but just the abortion of the current operation, with the only exception of the "ERR_UNKNOWN_SESSMSG_TYPE", whose error is to be attributed to a desynchronization between the Client and Server's IVs requiring in turn their connection to be reset.

Session Message Wrappers

To enforce their *confidentiality* and *integrity*, session messages are exchanged between the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* by encrypting and decrypting them, using the *AES_128_GCM* cipher with the *session key* and the current *IV* value, to and from their associated *Session Message Wrappers*, which are comprised of:

| 2 bytes | varies | 16 bytes |
|---------|-----------------|----------|
| wrapLen | Session Message | TAG |
| AAD | encrypted • | |

- A "wrapLen" field of 2 bytes storing the wrapper's total length in bytes, which again is used to enable the recipient to wait for the full session message wrapper to have been received before parsing it, information that is used as Associated Authenticated Data (AAD) for the purposes of generating the wrapper's TAG.
- The encrypted Session Message to be sent.
- The wrapper's *TAG*, which is used by the receiver to verify its integrity.

Session Raw Data

In addition to session messages in some *operations* the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* also exchange *raw data*, which may consist of:

- For the UPLOAD and DOWNLOAD operations, the contents of the file being uploaded or downloaded.
- For the *LIST* operation, the information on the contents of the user's *storage pool*, comprising the *name* and *metadata* of all its files.

Raw data that again is exchanged by encrypting and decrypting it using the *AES_128_GCM* cipher with *session key* and current *IV* value and that is appended with the resulting *TAG* for verifying its integrity on the recipient.



Session Operations

Apart from listing the contents of the user's *download directory*, the execution of all other *session operations* can be modelled via two *Finite State Machines (FSM)*, one on the *SafeCloud Client* and the other on the *SafeCloud Server*, which are kept synchronized through the exchange of *Session Messages* and *Raw Data*, and are characterized by:

• The current *operation* in progress, if any:

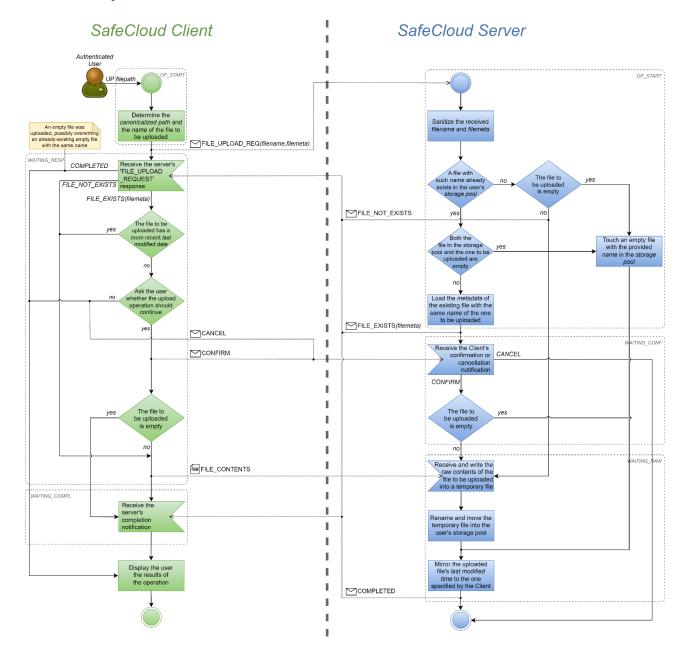
| Session Operations | | | |
|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Operation | Description | | |
| IDLE | No operation | | |
| UPLOAD | Uploading a file from the SafeCloud Client to the user's storage pool in the SafeCloud Server | | |
| DOWNLOAD | WNLOAD Download a file from the user's storage pool in the SafeCloud Server to the user's download directory in the SafeCloud Client | | |
| DELETE | Deleting a file from the user's storage pool in the SafeCloud Server | | |
| RENAME | Renaming a file in the user's storage pool in the SafeCloud Server | | |
| LIST | Listing the contents of the user's storage pool in the SafeCloud Server | | |

• The current operation *step*, or sub-state within the operation:

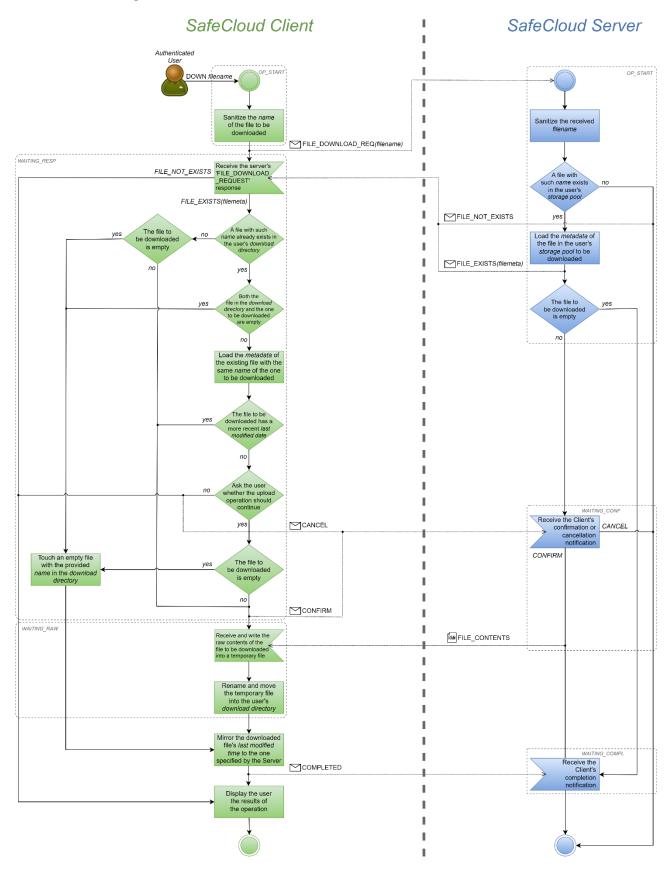
| Session Operations Steps | | | | |
|--------------------------|--|----------------|--|--|
| Step | Description | Used By | | |
| OP_START | Operation Start | Client, Server | | |
| WAITING_RESP | Waiting for the SafeCloud Server first response | Client | | |
| WAITING_CONF | Waiting for the SafeCloud Client confirmation or cancellation notification | Server | | |
| WAITING_RAW | Waiting for the other party's raw data | Client, Server | | |
| WAITING_COMPL | Waiting for the other party's completion notification | Client, Server | | |

The simplified finite state machines and data exchange associated with successful executions of each *session operation* is presented below:

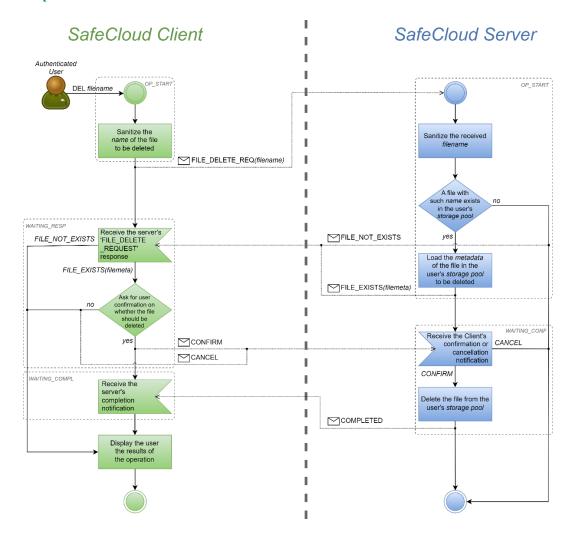
UPLOAD operation



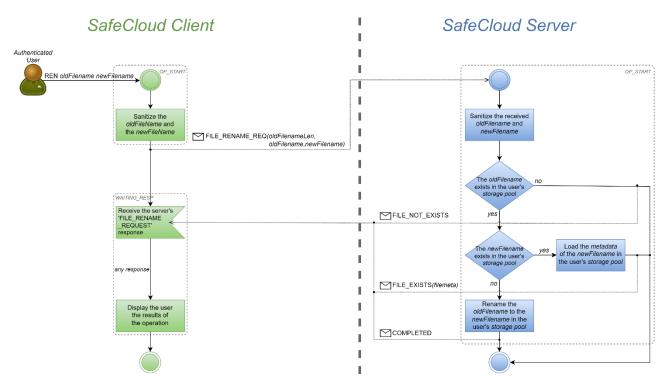
DOWNLOAD operation



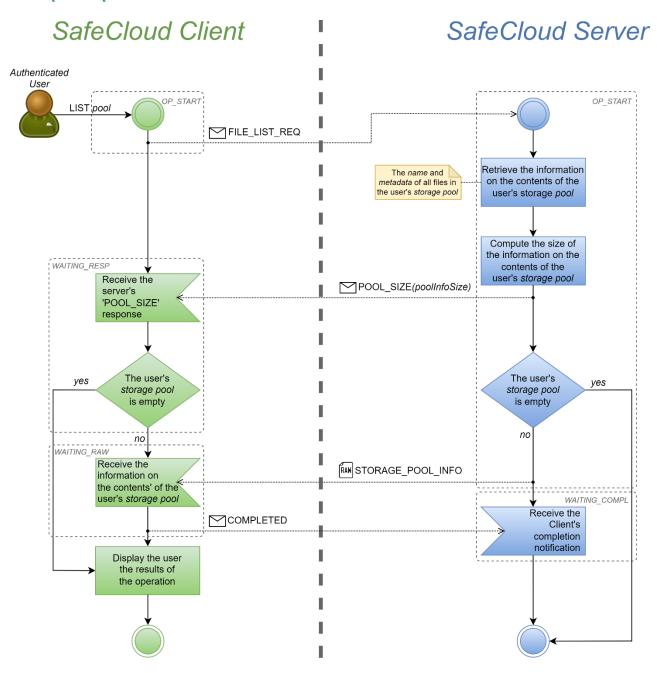
DELETE operation



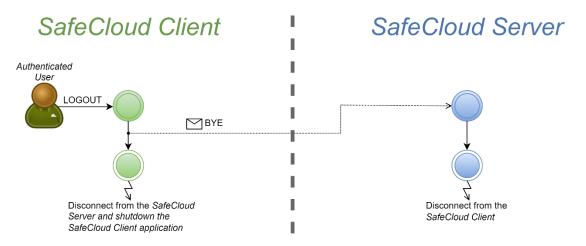
RENAME operation



LIST pool operation



LOGOUT operation



Other Design Details

IV Management

Since on the one hand the *AES_128 CBC* and *GCM encryption modes* employed in the *STSM Protocol* and the *Session Phase* use an IV of different size (16 and 12 bytes respectively), and on the other <u>no 128-bit integer type is defined in the C++14 standard</u>, to provide a compiler-independent implementation, the 16 bytes IV used in the service is divided into:

- A *variable* lower half (8 bytes), whose value as previously discussed is kept synchronized by the two parties by autonomously incrementing it for each encryption or decryption operation.
- A *constant* upper half (8 bytes), whose value is fixed and is used in its entirety by the *AES_128_CBC* encryption mode and only its lower half (4 bytes) by the *AES_128_GCM* encryption mode.

Even if variable in 64 bits only, since performing the 2^{64} encryption or decryption operations that would lead to the same IV being reused would require over 50 years performing an operation every 100ms, no rekeying or other IV refreshing mechanisms have been deemed necessary to prevent its reuse.

Applications Shutdown Management

In addition to *authenticated users* explicitly logging out from the *SafeCloud Server*, an action terminating their *SafeCloud Client* application, both the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* can be shut down by receiving the subset of Linux inter-process signals aimed at interrupting or terminating a process (*SIGINT*, *SIGTERM*, *SIGQUIT*), which are handled by performing the following orderly shutdown procedures on the two applications:

SafeCloud Client

- If connection with a *SafeCloud Server* has not yet been established, the application is terminated directly in the shutdown signal's handler.
- If connected with the *SafeCloud Server* and in the *IDLE* session *operation*, a '*BYE' Session Signaling Message* is sent to the server and the application is terminated directly in the shutdown signal's handler
- Otherwise a *shutdown* flag is set for the application to autonomously terminate as soon as its pending session *operation* has completed.

SafeCloud Server

- If no client is connected, the application is terminated directly in the shutdown signal's handler.
- If there are connected clients, all clients in the *IDLE* session *operation* are disconnected by sending them a 'BYE' Session Signaling Message, after which, if no client connection remains, the application is terminated directly in the shutdown signal's handler.
- Otherwise the server's listening socket is closed to prevent further client connections and a *shutdown* flag is set for the application to autonomously terminate as soon as no client connection remains, with clients being disconnected by sending them a 'BYE' Session Signaling Message when their sessions return in the IDLE session operation.

Errors Management

All error conditions in the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* applications have been associated with an *error* code, a *severity level* (*FATAL*, *CRITICAL*, *ERROR*, *INFO*, *DEBUG*) and a *human-readable description* for debugging purposes, and have been divided into:

- Execution Errors, which, if of FATAL severity, require the application to be terminated and, in any case, an existing connection between the SafeCloud Client and Server to be aborted.
- Session Errors, which are of non-FATAL severity and may occur during the service's Session Phase only, causing the current session operation to be aborted while maintaining the connection between the SafeCloud Client and Server.

The service's complete list of *execution* and *session error codes*, along with their *severity level* and *human-readable description*, can be found in the <u>appendix</u>.

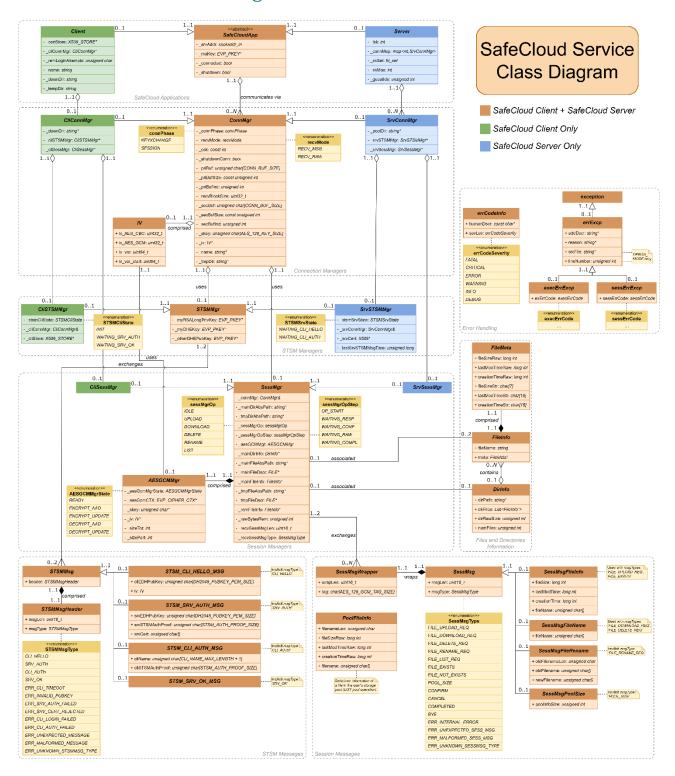
Service Object-Oriented Design

The service's object-oriented design can be summarized as follows:

- Both the *SafeCloud Client* and *Server* are *SafeCloud Applications (SafeCloudApp)* sharing a subset of attributes such as the *shutdown* flag and the TCP/IP endpoint of the *SafeCloud Server* to connect to or bind on.
- Each SafeCloud Application is associated with a Connection Manager (ConnMgr), specialized for the two applications in the Client Connection Manager (CliConnMgr) and the Server Connection Manager (SrvConnMgr), which implement the low-level data structure and functionalities required for securely exchanging messages and raw data via sockets.
- The Key Establishment and Authentication Phase is carried out by an STSM Manager (STSMMgr), again specialized for the two applications in a Client STSM Manager (CliSTSMMgr) and a Server STSM Manager (SrvSTSMMgr), which perform the STSM protocol by exchanging STSM Messages (STSMMsg).
- The Session Phase is executed by a Session Manager (SessMgr), again specialized for the two applications in a Client Session Manager (CliSessMgr) and a Server Session Manager (SrvSessMgr), which is characterized by a state that is reset across the different session operations which are carried out by exchanging Session Messages (SessMsg).

The complete set of classes comprising the *SafeCloud Service* is presented in the following *detailed class diagram* and listed in the <u>appendix</u>, with the signatures and descriptions of their methods, omitted for clarity purposes, to be found in the associated *header files* in the <u>service's project repository</u>.

Service Detailed Class Diagram



Service Implementation and Testing

The service has been implemented in the C++14 language according to the presented specification using the <u>cmake</u> toolchain based on the <u>ninja</u> build system and the <u>clang</u> compiler, with two versions having been developed for both the <u>SafeCloud Client</u> and <u>Server</u> applications:

- A *Debug Version* intended for development and testing purposes, which is compiled by defining the *DEBUG_MODE* project-wide symbol at compile time (*-DDEBUG_MODE* option), in which most of the applications' intermediate results, secret quantities included, as well as the *source file* and *line number* at which errors occurs, are logged to *stdout* so to allow for an easier troubleshooting.
- A *Release Version* intended to be deployed on the *SafeCloud Server* system(s) and to be distributed to the service's users, in which only the applications' main results are reported and the underlying reason of *login errors* is concealed in the *SafeCloud Client* in order to preclude malicious users from gaining any insights in attempting to impersonate other *authenticated users*.

To customize the host OS port the *SafeCloud Server* should bind to or the TCP/IP endpoint of the *SafeCloud Server* to connect to, the two applications can be started by specifying any of the following command-line parameters:

- SafeCloud Server: "-p [PORT]" \rightarrow The port the application should bind to on the host OS.
- SafeCloud Client: "-a [IPv4]" \rightarrow The IP address of the SafeCloud Server instance to connect to.

"-p [PORT]" \rightarrow The port of the *SafeCloud Server* instance to connect to.

With the allowed values of the [PORT] parameter falling into the <u>IANA standard port range for dynamic applications</u> (49152-65535), and with the SafeCloud Server application binding by default on port 51234 on all available IP interfaces on the host OS.

To test the service, the following entities along with their required cryptographic quantities were defined:

- A stub "BertCA" root certification authority, which was created by using the *simpleauthority* tool.
- A SafeCloud Server instance.
- The credentials of the following stub *authenticated users*, which have been pre-registered within the *SafeCloud Server* instance:

| username | password |
|----------|---------------|
| alice | alicepassword |
| bob | bobpassword |
| carol | carolpassword |

The service has been thoroughly tested by deploying a *SafeCloud Server* and multiple *SafeCloud Client* instances in a *Local Area Network (LAN)* environment using *Ubuntu 18.04.6 LTS* as the host operating system, with the *Valgrind memory checker* tool that has also been used to ascertain the absence of *memory leaks* and other memory-related vulnerabilities.

Appendix I: Service Error Codes

Execution Errors

Server-Specific Execution Errors

| Server Private Key Retrieval Execution Errors | | | |
|---|----------|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_SRV_PRIVKFILE_NOT_FOUND | FATAL | The server's RSA private key file was not found | |
| ERR_SRV_PRIVKFILE_OPEN_FAILED | FATAL | Error in opening the server's RSA private key file | |
| ERR_SRV_PRIVK_INVALID | FATAL | The contents of the server's RSA private key file could not be interpreted as a valid RSA key pair | |

| Server Certificate Retrieval Execution Errors | | | | |
|---|-------|--|--|--|
| Error Severity Description | | | | |
| ERR_SRV_CERT_OPEN_FAILED | FATAL | The server's certificate file could not be opened | | |
| ERR_SRV_CERT_INVALID | FATAL | The server's certificate file does not contain a valid X.509 certificate | | |

| Server Listening Socket Execution Errors | | | | |
|--|----------|--|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | | |
| ERR_LSK_INIT_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to initialize the server's listening socket | | |
| ERR_LSK_SO_REUSEADDR_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to set the listening socket's SO_REUSEADDR option | | |
| ERR_LSK_BIND_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to bind the listening socket on the specified OS port | | |
| ERR_LSK_LISTEN_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to listen on the listening socket | | |
| ERR_LSK_CLOSE_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to close the listening socket | | |

| Server Connection Sockets Execution Errors | | | |
|--|----------|--|--|
| Error Severity | | Description | |
| ERR_SRV_SELECT_FAILED | FATAL | Server <i>select()</i> failed | |
| ERR_CSK_ACCEPT_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to accept an incoming client's connection | |
| ERR_CSK_MAX_CONN | WARNING | Maximum number of clients connections reached, an incoming client connection has been rejected | |
| RR_CSK_MISSING_MAP | CRITICAL | Connection socket with available data is missing from the connected clients' map | |
| ERR_CLI_DISCONNECTED | WARNING | Abrupt client disconnection | |

| Server STSM Execution Errors | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_TIMEOUT | ERROR | Client STSM timeout | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_CLI_INVALID_PUBKEY | CRITICAL | The client has provided an invalid ephemeral public key | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_SRV_INVALID_PUBKEY | CRITICAL | The client reported that the server has provided an invalid ephemeral public key | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_SRV_AUTH_FAILED | ERROR | The client reported that the server has failed the STSM authentication | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_SRV_CERT_REJECTED | ERROR | The client rejected the server's X.509 certificate | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_CLIENT_LOGIN_FAILED | ERROR | The client has provided a username not registered within the SafeCloud Server | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_CLI_AUTH_FAILED | ERROR | The client has failed the STSM authentication | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_UNEXPECTED_MESSAGE | CRITICAL | The client reported to have received an out-of-order STSM message | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_MALFORMED_MESSAGE | ERROR | The client reported to have received a malformed STSM message | | | |
| ERR_STSM_SRV_UNKNOWN_STSMMSG_TYPE | ERROR | The client reported to have received a STSM message of unknown type | | | |

| Server Client Login Execution Errors | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|---|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | | |
| ERR_LOGIN_PUBKEYFILE_NOT_FOUND | ERROR | The RSA private key file associated with the client-provided <i>username</i> was not found | | |
| ERR_LOGIN_PUBKEYFILE_OPEN_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to open the user's RSA public key file | | |
| ERR_LOGIN_PUBKEY_INVALID | CRITICAL | The contents of the user's RSA public key file could not be interpreted as a valid RSA public key | | |

| Server Session-Aborting Execution Errors | | | |
|--|----------|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_SESSABORT_UNEXPECTED_POOL_SIZE | CRITICAL | The size of the information on the contents of the user's <i>storage pool</i> differ from its expected value | |
| ERR_SESSABORT_SRV_CLI_UNKNOWN_SESSMSG_TYPE | CRITICAL | The client reported to have received a session message of unknown type | |

Client-Specific Execution Errors

| Client X.509 Certificates Store Initialization Execution Errors | | | |
|---|----------|---|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_CA_CERT_OPEN_FAILED | FATAL | The CA certificate file could not be opened | |
| ERR_CA_CERT_INVALID | FATAL | The contents of the CA certificate file could not be interpreted as a valid X.509 certificate | |
| ERR_CA_CRL_OPEN_FAILED | FATAL | The CA CRL file could not be opened | |
| ERR_CA_CRL_INVALID | FATAL | The contents of the CA CRL file could not be interpreted as a X.509 certificate revocation list | |
| ERR_STORE_INIT_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to initialize the X.509 certificates store | |
| ERR_STORE_ADD_CACERT_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to add the CA certificate to the X.509 certificates store | |
| ERR_STORE_ADD_CACRL_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to add the CA CRL to the X.509 certificates store | |
| ERR_STORE_REJECT_SET_FAILED | FATAL | Error in setting the X.509 certificates store so as to reject revoked certificates | |

| Client Login Execution Errors | | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|
| Error Severity | | Description | | |
| ERR_LOGIN_PWD_EMPTY | ERROR | The user-provided password is empty | | |
| ERR_LOGIN_PWD_TOO_LONG | ERROR | The user-provided password is too long | | |
| ERR_LOGIN_PRIVKFILE_NOT_FOUND | ERROR | The RSA private key file associated with the user-provided <i>username</i> was not found | | |
| ERR_LOGIN_PRIVKFILE_OPEN_FAILED | ERROR | Failed to open the user's RSA private key file | | |
| ERR_LOGIN_PRIVK_INVALID | ERROR | The contents of the user's private key file could not be interpreted as a valid RSA key pair | | |
| ERR_DOWNDIR_NOT_FOUND | CRITICAL | The user's download directory was not found | | |
| ERR_CLI_LOGIN_FAILED | CRITICAL | Maximum number of login attempts reached | | |

| Client Connection Socket Errors | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------|---|--|
| Error Severity | | Description | |
| ERR_CSK_INIT_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to create the connection socket | |
| ERR_SRV_UNREACHABLE | WARNING | Failed to connect with the SafeCloud Server | |
| ERR_CSK_CONN_FAILED | FATAL | Fatal error in connecting with the SafeCloud Server | |
| ERR_SRV_DISCONNECTED | WARNING | The SafeCloud Server has abruptly disconnected | |

| Client STSM Execution Errors | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_ALREADY_STARTED | CRITICAL | The client has already started the STSM protocol | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_TIMEOUT | CRITICAL | The server reported the client's timeout in the STSM protocol | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_CLI_INVALID_PUBKEY | CRITICAL | The server reported that the client has provided an invalid ephemeral public key | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_SRV_INVALID_PUBKEY | CRITICAL | The server has provided an invalid ephemeral public key | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_SRV_AUTH_FAILED | CRITICAL | The server has failed the STSM authentication | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_SRV_CERT_REJECTED | ERROR | The server has provided an invalid X.509 certificate | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_CLIENT_LOGIN_FAILED | ERROR | A user with such <i>username</i> is not registered within the server | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_CLI_AUTH_FAILED | CRITICAL | The server reported that the server has failed the STSM authentication | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_UNEXPECTED_MESSAGE | FATAL | The server reported to have received an out-of-order STSM message | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_MALFORMED_MESSAGE | FATAL | The server reported to have received a malformed STSM message | | | |
| ERR_STSM_CLI_UNKNOWN_STSMMSG_TYPE | FATAL | The server reported to have received a STSM message of unknown type | | | |

| Client Session-Aborting Execution Errors | | | | |
|--|----------|--|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | | |
| ERR_SESSABORT_CLI_SRV_UNKNOWN_SESSMSG_TYPE | CRITICAL | The server reported to have received a session message of unknown type | | |
| ERR_SESSABORT_SRV_GRACEFUL_DISCONNECT | WARNING | The server has gracefully disconnected | | |
| ERR_SESSABORT_INTERNAL_ERROR | CRITICAL | Unrecoverable session internal error | | |

Client-Server Common Execution Errors

| Common Server TCP Endpoint Execution Errors | | | |
|---|-------|---|--|
| Error Severity Description | | | |
| ERR_SRV_ADDR_INVALID | ERROR | The custom SafeCloud Server IP address is invalid | |
| ERR_SRV_PORT_INVALID | ERROR | The custom SafeCloud Server port is invalid | |

| Common Connection Sockets Execution Errors | | | |
|--|----------|---|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_CSK_CLOSE_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to close the connection socket | |
| ERR_CSK_RECV_FAILED | CRITICAL | Error in receiving data from the connection socket | |
| ERR_PEER_DISCONNECTED | WARNING | Abrupt peer disconnection | |
| ERR_SEND_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to send data via the connection socket | |
| ERR_SEND_OVERFLOW | FATAL | Attempting to send a number of bytes greater than the size of the primary connection buffer | |
| ERR_MSG_LENGTH_INVALID | FATAL | A message of invalid length was received | |

| Common Files and Directories Execution Errors | | | |
|---|----------|-------------------------------|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_DIR_OPEN_FAILED | CRITICAL | The directory was not found | |
| ERR_DIR_CLOSE_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to close the directory | |
| ERR_FILE_OPEN_FAILED | CRITICAL | The file was not found | |
| ERR_FILE_READ_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to read from the file | |
| ERR_FILE_WRITE_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to write to the file | |
| ERR_FILE_DELETE_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to delete the file | |
| ERR_FILE_TOO_LARGE | CRITICAL | The file is too large | |
| ERR_FILE_CLOSE_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to close the file | |

| Common Client Login Execution Errors | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_LOGIN_NAME_EMPTY | CRITICAL | The provided <i>username</i> is empty | |
| ERR_LOGIN_NAME_TOO_LONG | CRITICAL | The provided <i>username</i> is too long | |
| ERR_LOGIN_NAME_WRONG_FORMAT | CRITICAL | The provided <i>username</i> has an invalid format | |
| ERR_LOGIN_NAME_INVALID_CHARS | CRITICAL | The provided <i>username</i> contains invalid characters | |
| ERR_LOGIN_WRONG_NAME_OR_PWD | CRITICAL | Wrong username or password | |

| Common Ope | enSSL Exec | cution Errors |
|---------------------------------------|------------|--|
| Error | Severity | Description |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_NEW | FATAL | EVP_PKEY struct creation failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_ASSIGN | FATAL | EVP_PKEY struct assignment failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_CTX_NEW | FATAL | EVP_PKEY context creation failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_KEYGEN_INIT | FATAL | EVP_PKEY key generation initialization failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_KEYGEN | FATAL | EVP_PKEY key generation failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_DERIVE_INIT | FATAL | Failed to initialize the key derivation context |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_DERIVE_SET_PEER | FATAL | Failed to set the party's public key in the key derivation context |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_DERIVE | FATAL | Failed to derive the shared secret in a key derivation context |
| ERR_OSSL_RAND_POLL_FAILED | FATAL | RAND_poll() seed generation failed |
| ERR_OSSL_RAND_BYTES_FAILED | FATAL | RAND_pool() random bytes generation failed |
| ERR_OSSL_BIO_NEW_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to initialize the memory BIO |
| ERR_OSSL_BIO_NEW_FP_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to initialize the file BIO |
| ERR_OSSL_PEM_WRITE_BIO_PUBKEY_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to write the ephemeral DH public key to the memory BIO |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_PKEY_PRINT_PUBLIC_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to write the ephemeral DH public key to the file BIO |
| ERR_OSSL_BIO_READ_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to read from the BIO |
| ERR_OSSL_BIO_FREE_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to free the BIO |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_MD_CTX_NEW | FATAL | EVP_MD context creation failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_DIGEST_INIT | FATAL | EVP_MD digest initialization failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_DIGEST_UPDATE | FATAL | EVP_MD digest update failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_DIGEST_FINAL | FATAL | EVP_MD digest final failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_SIGN_INIT | FATAL | EVP_MD signing initialization failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_SIGN_UPDATE | FATAL | EVP_MD signing update failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_SIGN_FINAL | FATAL | EVP_MD signing final failed |
| ERR_OSSL_AES_128_CBC_PT_TOO_LARGE | FATAL | The plaintext to be encrypted via the AES_128_CBC cipher is too large |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_CIPHER_CTX_NEW | FATAL | EVP_CIPHER context creation failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_ENCRYPT_INIT | FATAL | EVP_CIPHER encrypt initialization failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_ENCRYPT_UPDATE | FATAL | EVP_CIPHER encrypt update failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_ENCRYPT_FINAL | FATAL | EVP_CIPHER encrypt final failed |
| ERR_OSSL_PEM_WRITE_BIO_X509 | FATAL | Failed to write the X.509 certificate to the memory BIO |
| ERR_OSSL_X509_STORE_CTX_NEW | FATAL | X509_STORE context creation failed |
| ERR_OSSL_X509_STORE_CTX_INIT | FATAL | X509_STORE context initialization failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_VERIFY_INIT | FATAL | EVP_MD verification initialization failed |

| ERR_OSSL_EVP_VERIFY_UPDATE | FATAL | EVP_MD verification update failed |
|-----------------------------|----------|--|
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_VERIFY_FINAL | FATAL | EVP_MD verification final failed |
| ERR_OSSL_SIG_VERIFY_FAILED | CRITICAL | Signature verification failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_DECRYPT_INIT | FATAL | EVP_CIPHER decrypt initialization failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_DECRYPT_UPDATE | FATAL | EVP_CIPHER decrypt update failed |
| ERR_OSSL_EVP_DECRYPT_FINAL | FATAL | EVP_CIPHER decrypt final failed |
| ERR_OSSL_GET_TAG_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to retrieve the encryption operation's <i>AES_128_GCM</i> tag |
| ERR_OSSL_SET_TAG_FAILED | FATAL | Failed to set the decryption operation's expected AES_128_GCM tag |

| Common STSM Execution Errors | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|---|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_STSM_UNEXPECTED_MESSAGE | CRITICAL | An out-of-order STSM message was received | |
| ERR_STSM_MALFORMED_MESSAGE | CRITICAL | A malformed STSM message was received | |
| ERR_STSM_UNKNOWN_STSMMSG_TYPE | CRITICAL | A STSM message of unknown type was received | |
| ERR_STSM_UNKNOWN_STSMMSG_ERROR | FATAL | Attempting to send a STSM error message of unknown type | |
| ERR_STSM_MY_PUBKEY_MISSING | FATAL | The owner's ephemeral DH public key is missing | |
| ERR_STSM_OTHER_PUBKEY_MISSING | FATAL | The party's ephemeral DH public key is missing | |

| Common SafeCloud Object States Execution Errors | | | |
|---|----------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_CONNMGR_INVALID_STATE | CRITICAL | Invalid ConnMgr state | |
| ERR_AESGCMMGR_INVALID_STATE | CRITICAL | Invalid AES_128_GCM manager state | |

| Common Session-Aborting Execution Errors | | | |
|--|----------|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_SESSABORT_UNEXPECTED_FILE_SIZE | CRITICAL | The file contents that were read differ from their expected size | |
| ERR_SESSABORT_UNKNOWN_SESSMSG_TYPE | CRITICAL | A session message of unknown type was received | |

| Common Other Execution Errors | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|---|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_MALLOC_FAILED | FATAL | malloc() failed | |
| ERR_NON_POSITIVE_BUFFER_SIZE | FATAL | A non-positive buffer size was passed (probable overflow) | |
| ERR_EXEC_UNKNOWN | CRITICAL | Unknown execution error | |

Session Errors

Server-Specific Session Errors

| Server Session Messages Errors | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_SESS_SRV_CLI_INTERNAL_ERROR | WARNING | The client reported to have experienced an internal error | |
| ERR_SESS_SRV_CLI_UNEXPECTED_MESSAGE | ERROR | The client reported to have received an unexpected session message | |
| ERR_SESS_SRV_CLI_MALFORMED_MESSAGE | ERROR | The client reported to have received a malformed session message | |

Client-Specific Session Errors

| Client Unsupported Session Command Error | | | |
|--|------|---|--|
| Error Severity | | Description | |
| ERR_UNSUPPORTED_CMD | INFO | The user submitted an unsupported session command | |

| Client Files Session Errors | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_NOT_FOUND | WARNING | The user-specified file was not found | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_READ_FAILED | ERROR | Failed to read from the user-specified file | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_IS_DIR | WARNING | The user-specified file is a directory | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_TOO_BIG | WARNING | The user-specified file is too big (≥4GB) | |
| ERR_SESS_UPLOAD_DIR | WARNING | The file the user is attempting to upload is a directory | |
| ERR_SESS_UPLOAD_TOO_BIG | WARNING | The file the user is attempting to upload is too big | |
| ERR_SESS_RENAME_SAME_NAME | WARNING | The user is attempting to rename a file to itself | |

| Client Session Messages Errors | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | | |
| ERR_SESS_CLI_SRV_INTERNAL_ERROR | ERROR | The server reported to have experienced an internal error | | |
| ERR_SESS_CLI_SRV_UNEXPECTED_MESSAGE | CRITICAL | The server reported to have received an unexpected session message | | |
| ERR_SESS_CLI_SRV_MALFORMED_MESSAGE | CRITICAL | The server reported to have received a malformed session message | | |

Client-Server Common Session Errors

| Common Files Session Errors | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | | |
| ERR_SESS_DIR_INFO_OVERFLOW | ERROR | Directory contents information size overflow (≥4GB) | | |
| ERR_SESS_MAIN_FILE_IS_DIR | CRITICAL | The main file was found as a sub-directory of the session's main directory | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_INVALID_NAME | ERROR | Invalid file name | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_META_NEGATIVE | CRITICAL | Attempting to initialize a file's metadata to negative values | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_INFO_COMP_NULL | CRITICAL | Attempting to compare the metadata of a NULL <i>FileInfo</i> pointer | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_INFO_COMP_DIFF_NAMES | CRITICAL | Attempting to compare the metadata of two files of different <i>names</i> | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_OPEN_FAILED | ERROR | Failed to open the file | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_DELETE_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to delete the file | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_META_SET_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to set the file's metadata | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_CLOSE_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to close the file | | |
| ERR_SESS_FILE_RENAME_FAILED | CRITICAL | Failed to rename the file | | |

| Common Session Messages Errors | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | |
| ERR_SESS_INTERNAL_ERROR | CRITICAL | An internal error has occurred | |
| ERR_SESS_UNEXPECTED_MESSAGE | ERROR | An unexpected session message was received | |
| ERR_SESS_MALFORMED_MESSAGE | ERROR | A malformed session message was received | |

| Common Other Session Errors | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| Error | Severity | Description | | |
| ERR_OSSL_DECRYPT_VERIFY_FAILED | ERROR | AES_128_GCM tag verification failed | | |
| ERR_SESS_UNKNOWN | CRITICAL | Unknown session error | | |

Appendix II: Service Classes Definitions

SafeCloud Application Classes

| SafeCloud App | | | |
|---|--|-------------|--|
| SafeCloud application abstract base class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type | |
| _srvaddr | The TCP/IP endpoint of the SafeCloud Server to connect to or bind on | sockaddr_in | |
| _rsaKey | The long-term RSA key pair associated with the application | EVP_PKEY* | |
| _connected | Whether the application has established a TCP connection | bool | |
| _shutdown | Whether the application should shut down as soon as possible | bool | |

| | Client | | | |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|--|
| | SafeCloud Client main class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type | | |
| _certStore | The client's X.509 certificates store | X509_STORE* | | |
| _cliConnMgr | A reference to the associated Client Connection Manager | CliConnMgr* | | |
| _name | The user's name | string | | |
| _downDir | The absolute path of the user's download directory | string | | |
| _tempDir | The absolute path of the user's temporary directory | string | | |

| Server | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--|
| SafeCloud Server main class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре | |
| _lsk | The server listening socket's file descriptor | int | |
| _srvCert | The server's X.509 certificate | X509* | |
| _connMap | A map associating the file descriptors of open connection sockets to their associated <i>srvConnMgr</i> objects (one per client) | map <int,srvconnmgr*></int,srvconnmgr*> | |
| _skSet | The set of file descriptors of open sockets (listening socket + connection sockets) | fd_set | |
| _skMax | The maximum socket file descriptor value in the SafeCloud Server execution (select() optimization purposes) | int | |
| _guestIdx | Temporary identifier of the last <i>guest</i> connected with the <i>SafeCloud Server</i> | unsigned int | |

Connection Managers Classes

| | ConnMgr | | |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| Connection Manager base class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре | |
| _connPhase | The connection's current phase (Key Establishment and Authentication or Session) | connPhase | |
| _recvMode | The connection manager current reception mode (message or raw) | recvMode | |
| _csk | The file descriptor of the connection socket associated with this connection manager | const int | |
| _shutdownConn | Whether the connection should be terminated | bool | |
| _priBuf | Primary connection buffer | unsigned char [CONN_BUF_SIZE] | |
| _priBufSize | Primary connection buffer size | const unsigned int | |
| _priBufInd | Index of the first available byte (or number of significant bytes) in the primary connection buffer | unsigned int | |
| _recvBlockSize | Expected size in bytes of the data block (message or raw) to be received | uint32_t | |
| _secBuf | Secondary connection buffer | unsigned char [CONN_BUF_SIZE] | |
| _secBufSize | Secondary connection buffer size | const unsigned int | |
| _secBufInd | Index of the first available byte (or number of significant bytes in the secondary connection buffer | unsigned int | |
| _skey | The connection's ephemeral session key | unsigned char [AES_128_KEY_SIZE] | |
| _iv | The connection's current IV value | IV* | |
| _name | The name of the user associated with this connection manager | string* | |
| _tmpDir | The absolute path of the temporary directory associated with this connection manager | string* | |

| CliConnMgr | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|-------------|--|
| Client Connection Manager main class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type | |
| _downDir | The absolute path of the authenticated user's download directory | string* | |
| _cliSTSMMgr | A reference to the associated Client STSM Manager | CliSTSMMgr* | |
| _cliSessMgr | A reference to the associated Client Session Manager | CliSessMgr* | |

| SrvConnMgr SrvConnMgr | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------|--|
| Server Connection Manager main class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре | |
| _poolDir | The absolute path of the <i>storage pool</i> of the <i>authenticated</i> user associated with this connection manager | string* | |
| _srvSTSMMgr | A reference to the associated Server STSM Manager | SrvSTSMMgr* | |
| _srvSessMgr | A reference to the associated Server Session Manager | SrvSessMgr* | |

| IV | | | |
|--------------|--|----------|--|
| | A connection manager's IV value | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type | |
| iv_AES_CBC | The starting index of the IV used by the <i>AES_128_CBC</i> cipher in the IV's constant upper half | uint32_t | |
| Iv_AES_GCM | The starting index of the IV used by the <i>AES_128_GCM</i> cipher in the IV's constant upper half | uint32_t | |
| iv_var | The IV variable lower half that is incremented at every encryption or decryption operation | uint64_t | |
| iv_var_start | The initial value of the IV variable lower half (unused) | uint64_t | |

| Enumeration | Description | Possible Values |
|-------------|---|------------------------|
| connPhase | Connection Phases (Key Establishment and Authentication or Session) | KEYXCHANGE, SESSION |
| recvMode | Connection Manager reception modes (message or raw) | RECV_MSG, RECV_RAW |

STSM Managers Classes

| STSMMgr STSMMgr | | | |
|-------------------------|---|-----------|--|
| STSM Manager base class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type | |
| _myRSALongPrivKey | The owner's long-term RSA-2048 private key | EVP_PKEY* | |
| _myDHEKey | The owner's ephemeral DH-2048 key pair | EVP_PKEY* | |
| _otherDHEPubKey | The other connection party's ephemeral DH-2048 public key | EVP_PKEY* | |

| CliSTSMMgr | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|--------------|--|
| Client STSM Manager main class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type | |
| _stsmCliState | The client current state in the STSM protocol | STSMCliState | |
| _cliConnMgr | A reference to the associated Client Connection Manager | CliConnMgr& | |
| _cliStore | A reference to the client's X.509 certificates store | X509_STORE* | |

| SrvSTSMMgr | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|---------------|--|
| Server STSM Manager main class | | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type | |
| _stsmSrvState | The server current state in the STSM protocol | STSMSrvState | |
| _srvConnMgr | A reference to the associated Server Connection Manager | SrvConnMgr& | |
| _srvCert | A reference to the server's X.509 certificate | X509 * | |
| _lastSrvSTSMMsgTime | The time in Unix epochs at which the server sent its last STSM message to the client (STSM timeout purposes) | unsigned long | |

| Enumeration | Description | Possible Values |
|--------------|-----------------------------|--|
| STSMCliState | STSM protocol client states | INIT, WAITING_SRV_AUTH, WAITING_SRV_OK |
| STSMSrvState | STSM protocol server states | WAITING_CLI_HELLO, WAITING_CLI_AUTH |

STSM Messages Classes

| STSMMsg | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| STSM Message base class | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| header | The STSM message's header | STSMMsgHeader |

| | STSMMsgHeader | |
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| STSM Message Header | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type |
| msgLen | The STSM message total bytes length | uint16_t |
| msgType | The STSM message type | STSMMsgType |

| STSM_CLI_HELLO_MSG | | |
|---|--|---|
| STSM 'CLI_HELLO' Message (implicit msgType = CLI_HELLO) | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| cliEDHPubKey | The client's ephemeral DH-2048 public key | unsigned char [DH2048_PUBKEY_PEM_SIZE] |
| iv | The initialization vector's initial random value | IV |

| STSM_SRV_AUTH_MSG | | |
|---|---|---|
| STSM 'SRV_AUTH' Message (implicit msgType = SRV_AUTH) | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type |
| srvEDHPubKey | The server's ephemeral DH-2048 public key | unsigned char [DH2048_PUBKEY_PEM_SIZE] |
| srvSTSMAuthProof | The server's STSM authentication proof | unsigned char [STSM_AUTH_PROOF_SIZE] |
| srvCert | The server's X.509 certificate | unsigned char[] |

| STSM_CLI_AUTH_MSG | | |
|---|--|--|
| STSM 'CLI_AUTH' Message (implicit msgType = CLI_AUTH) | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| cliName | The user's name | unsigned char [CLI_NAME_MAX_LENGTH + 1] |
| cliSTSMAuthProof | The client's STSM authentication proof | unsigned char [STSM_AUTH_PROOF_SIZE] |

| STSM_SRV_OK_MSG | | |
|--|-------------|------|
| STSM ' SRV_OK Message (implicit $msgType = SRV_OK$) | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| (same attributes of the STSMMsg base class) | | |

| Enumeration | Description | Possible Values |
|-------------|--------------------|--|
| STSMMsgType | STSM Message Types | CLI_HELLO, SRV_AUTH, SRV_OK, ERR_CLI_TIMEOUT, ERR_INVALID_PUBKEY, ERR_SRV_AUTH_FAILED, ERR_SRV_CERT_REJECTED, ERR_CLI_LOGIN_FAILED, ERR_CLI_AUTH_FAILED, ERR_UNEXPECTED_MESSAGE, ERR_MALFORMED_MESSAGE, ERR_UNKNOWN_STSMMSG_TYPE |

Session Managers Classes

| SessMgr | | | |
|------------------|--|---------------|--|
| | Session Manager base class | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type | |
| _connMgr | A reference to the associated Connection Manager | ConnMgr& | |
| _mainDirAbsPath | The absolute path of the session's main directory | string* | |
| _tmpDirAbsPath | The absolute path of the session's temporary directory | string* | |
| _sessMgrOp | The current session manager operation | sessMgr0p | |
| _sessMgrOpStep | The current session manager operation step | sessMgr0pStep | |
| _aesGCMMgr | The associated AES_128_GCM Manager | AESGCMMgr | |
| _mainDirInfo | Information on the contents of the session's main directory | DirInfo* | |
| _mainFileAbsPath | The absolute path of a file in the session's main directory | string* | |
| _mainFileDscr | The descriptor of a file in the session's main directory | FILE* | |
| _mainFileInfo | Information on a file in the session's main directory | FileInfo* | |
| _tmpFileAbsPath | The absolute path of a file in the session's temporary directory | string* | |
| _tmpFileDscr | The descriptor of a file in the session's temporary directory | FILE* | |
| _remFileInfo | Information on remote file | FileInfo* | |
| _rawBytesRem | The remaining number of bytes to be sent or received in a <i>Raw Session Data</i> exchange | unsigned int | |
| _recvSessMsgLen | The length of the last received Session Message | uint16_t | |
| _recvSessMsgType | The type of the last received Session Message | SessMsgType | |

| CliSessMgr | | |
|---|-------------|------|
| Client Session Manager main class | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| (same attributes of the SessMgr base class) | | |

| SrvSessMgr | | |
|---|-------------|------|
| Server Session Manager main class | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type |
| (same attributes of the SessMgr base class) | | |

| <i>AESGCMMgr</i> | | |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Session AES_128_GCM Manager | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| _aesGcmMgrState | The current AES_128_GCM manager state | AESGCMMgrState |
| _aesGcmCTX | The cipher context used in the current or next AES_128_GCM encryption or decryption operation | EVP_CIPHER_CTX* |
| _skey | A reference to the connection's ephemeral session key | unsigned char* |
| _iv | A reference to the connection's IV | IV* |
| _sizeTot | The total number of bytes encrypted or decrypted in the current operation, eventually representing the resulting ciphertext or plaintext size, AAD included | int |
| _sizePart | The number of bytes encrypted or decrypted in the last <i>OpenSSL</i> API call | int |

| Enumeration | Description | Possible Values |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| sessMgr0p | Session managers operations | IDLE, UPLOAD, DOWNLOAD, DELETE, RENAME, LIST |
| sessMgr0pStep | Session managers operations steps | OP_START, WAITING_RESP, WAITING_CONF, WAITING_RAW, WAITING_COMPL |
| AESGCMMgrState | AES_128_GCM Manager states | READY, ENCRYPT_AAD ENCRYPT_UPDATE, DECRYPT_AAD DECRYPT_UPDATE |

Session Messages Classes

| SessMsgWrapper SessMsgWrapper | | |
|-------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Session Messages Wrapper | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| wrapLen | The session message wrapper total bytes length | uint16_t |
| tag | The session message wrapper's <i>AES_128_GCM</i> integrity tag (16 bytes) | char[AES_128_GCM_TAG_SIZE] |

| SessMsg | | |
|----------------------------|--|-------------|
| Session Message base class | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| msgLen | The session message total bytes length | uint16_t |
| msgType | The session message type | SessMsgType |

| SessMsgFileInfo | | |
|--|--|-----------------|
| A session message carrying the <i>name</i> and <i>metadata</i> of a file (used with msgTypes FILE_UPLOAD_REQ, FILE_EXISTS) | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| fileSize | The file's size in bytes | long int |
| lastModTime | The file's last modified time in Unix epochs | long int |
| creationTime | The file's <i>creation time</i> in Unix epochs | long int |
| fileName | The file's name | unsigned char[] |

| SessMsgFileName | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| A session message carrying a file's name (used with msgTypes FILE_DOWNLOAD_REQ, FILE_DELETE_REQ) | | |
| Attribute Description Type | | |
| fileName | The file's name | unsigned char[] |

| SessMsgFileRename | | |
|--|--|-----------------|
| A session message specifying a file's desired new name (implicit msgType = FILE_RENAME_REQ) | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type |
| oldFilenameLen | The current file <i>name</i> length in bytes | unsigned char |
| oldFilename | The current file <i>name</i> | unsigned char[] |
| newFilename | The desired new file name | unsigned char[] |

| SessMsgPoolSize | | |
|---|--|--------------|
| A session message carrying the size of the information on the contents of a user's <i>storage pool</i> (implicit msgType = POOL_SIZE) | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| poolInfoSize | The size of the information on the contents of the user's storage pool | unsigned int |

| PoolFileInfo PoolFileInfo | | |
|---|--|-----------------|
| Serialized information of a file in a user's storage pool | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| filenameLen | The file name <i>length</i> in bytes | unsigned char |
| fileSizeRaw | The file's size in bytes | long int |
| lastModTimeRaw | The file's last modified time in Unix epochs | long int |
| creationTimeRaw | The file's creation time in Unix epochs | long int |
| filename | The file's name | unsigned char[] |

| Enumeration | Description | Possible Values |
|-------------|-----------------------|--|
| SessMsgType | Session message types | FILE_UPLOAD_REQ, FILE_DOWNLOAD_REQ, FILE_DELETE_REQ, FILE_RENAME_REQ, FILE_LIST_REQ, FILE_EXISTS, FILE_NOT_EXISTS, POOL_SIZE, CONFIRM, CANCEL, COMPLETED, BYTE ERR_INTERNAL_ERROR, ERR_UNEXPECTED_SESS_MSG, ERR_UNKNOWN_SESSMSG_TYPE |

Files and Directories Information Classes

| DirInfo | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Information on a directory's contents | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type |
| dirPath | The directory's absolute path | string* |
| dirFiles | The list of information (name + metadata) of files in the directory | List <fileinfo*></fileinfo*> |
| dirRawSize | The directory's information raw size, consisting in the sum of the sizes of its files' names and metadata | unsigned int |
| numFiles | The number of files in the directory | unsigned int |

| FileInfo | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|
| Information on a file consisting in its name and metadata | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| fileName | The file's name | string |
| meta | The file's metadata | FileMeta* |

| FileMeta | | |
|---|---|----------|
| File metadata in raw and stringyfied form | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| fileSizeRaw | The file's size in bytes | long int |
| lastModTimeRaw | The file's <i>last modified time</i> in Unix epochs | long int |
| creationTimeRaw | The file's <i>creation time</i> in Unix epochs | long int |
| fileSizeStr | The stringyfied file size | char[7] |
| lastModTimeStr | The stringyfied file last modified time | char[18] |
| creationTimeStr | The stringyfied file creation time | char[18] |

Error Handling Classes

| errCodeInfo | | |
|---|--|-----------------|
| A service's error severity level and human-readable description | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| sevLev | The error's severity level | errCodeSeverity |
| humanDscr | The error's human readable description | const char* |

| errExcp | | |
|--|--|--------------|
| General information on a service's exception | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| addDscr | An optional additional description associated with the exception's error | string* |
| reason | An optional reason associated with the exception's error | string* |
| srcFile | The source file at which the exception was raised (DEBUG_MODE only) | string* |
| lineNumber | The line number at which the exception was raised (DEBUG_MODE only) | unsigned int |

| execErrExcp | | |
|--|--|-------------|
| Information on a service's execution exception | | |
| Attribute | Description | Type |
| exErrCode | The execution error associated with this exception | execErrCode |

| sessErrExcp | | |
|--|--|-------------|
| Information on a service's session exception | | |
| Attribute | Description | Туре |
| sessErrCode | The session error associated with this exception | sessErrCode |

| Enumeration | Description | Possible Values |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|
| errCodeSeverity | Errors severity levels | FATAL, CRITICAL, ERROR, WARNING, INFO, DEBUG |
| execErrCode | Execution errors codes | <u>Execution Error</u> <u>Codes List</u> |
| sessErrCode | Session errors codes | <u>Session Error</u> <u>Codes List</u> |