NQSB-TLS

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MOTIVATION

- Transport Layer Security (TLS) widely deployed security protocol
- Huge and old implementations mostly in C
- Reengineer in a declarative way
- Swiss army knife toolsuite

TLS

- Used e.g. in HTTPS
- Authenticated secure channel
- IETF standard: loose prose
- TLS 1.3 being specified (summer 2016)

IETF RFC

- Rough consensus and (two) working implementations
- Test against widely deployed implementations
- Bug compatible
- Missing test suite

SINCE 2015

- Deployments (https://realworldocaml.org https://mirage.io)
- BTC Piñata still up
- Usenix Security paper
- Reverse C bindings (done by an OCamlLabs intern) libtls API

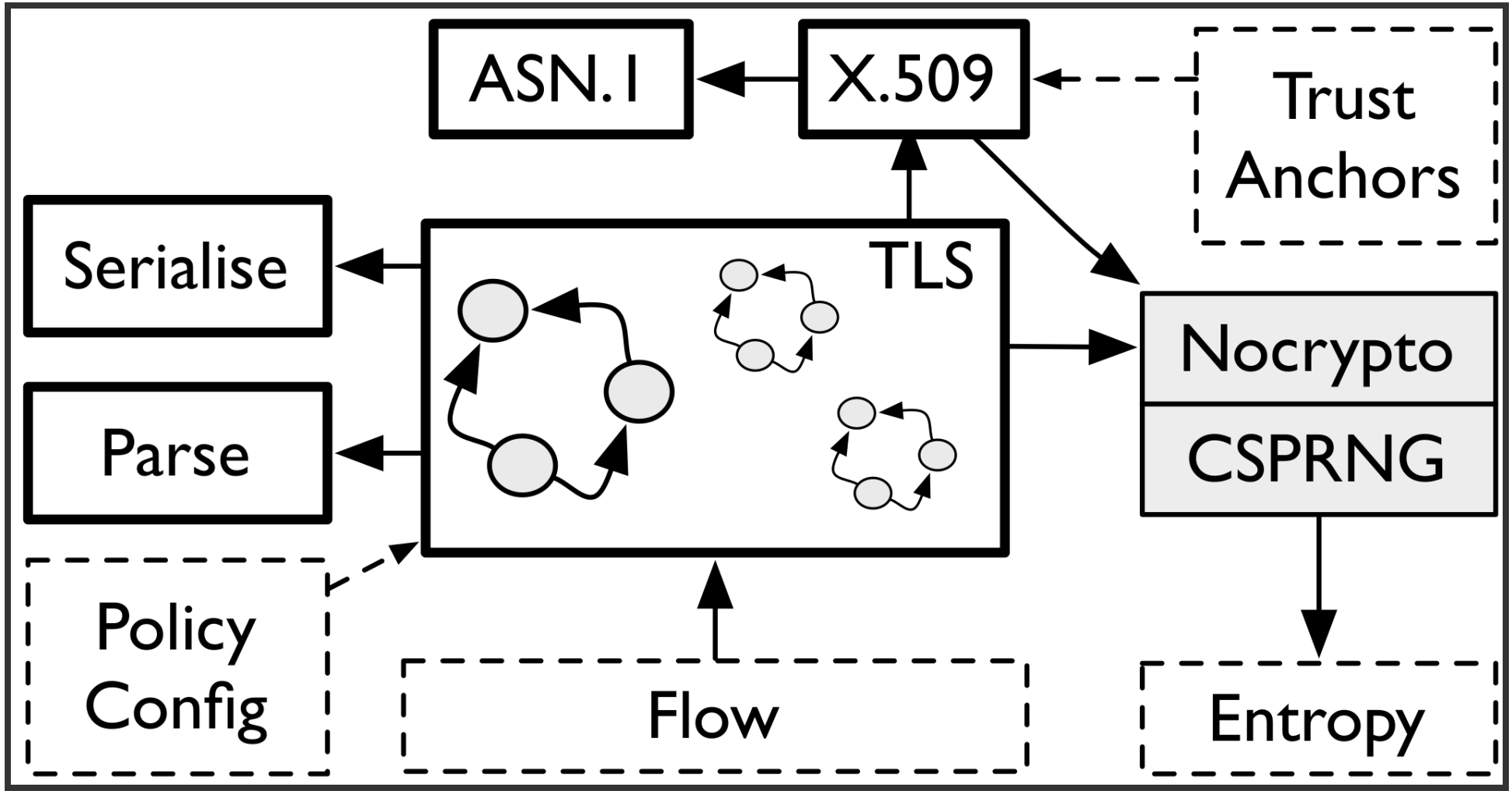
OUR CONTRIBUTION

- Provide tools for automated testing and analysis
- Debugging tools for TLS implementors
- Implement TLS 1.3

BACKGROUND: NQSB-TLS

- A clean-slate TLS 1.x implementation/model
- Around 6000 lines of OCaml code
- Interoperates with major stacks
- Performance same ballpark as OpenSSL
- Protocol handler without side effects:
  - Transforms TLS state and input bytes to
  - `Error` OR
  - `Ok` (TLS state, out bytes, decrypted payload)

STRUCTURE



nqsb-TLS ML module layout

TOOLS

- Check conformance by exploring state space
- Render sequence diagrams from trace
- Replay recorded trace
- Validate session between any two stacks

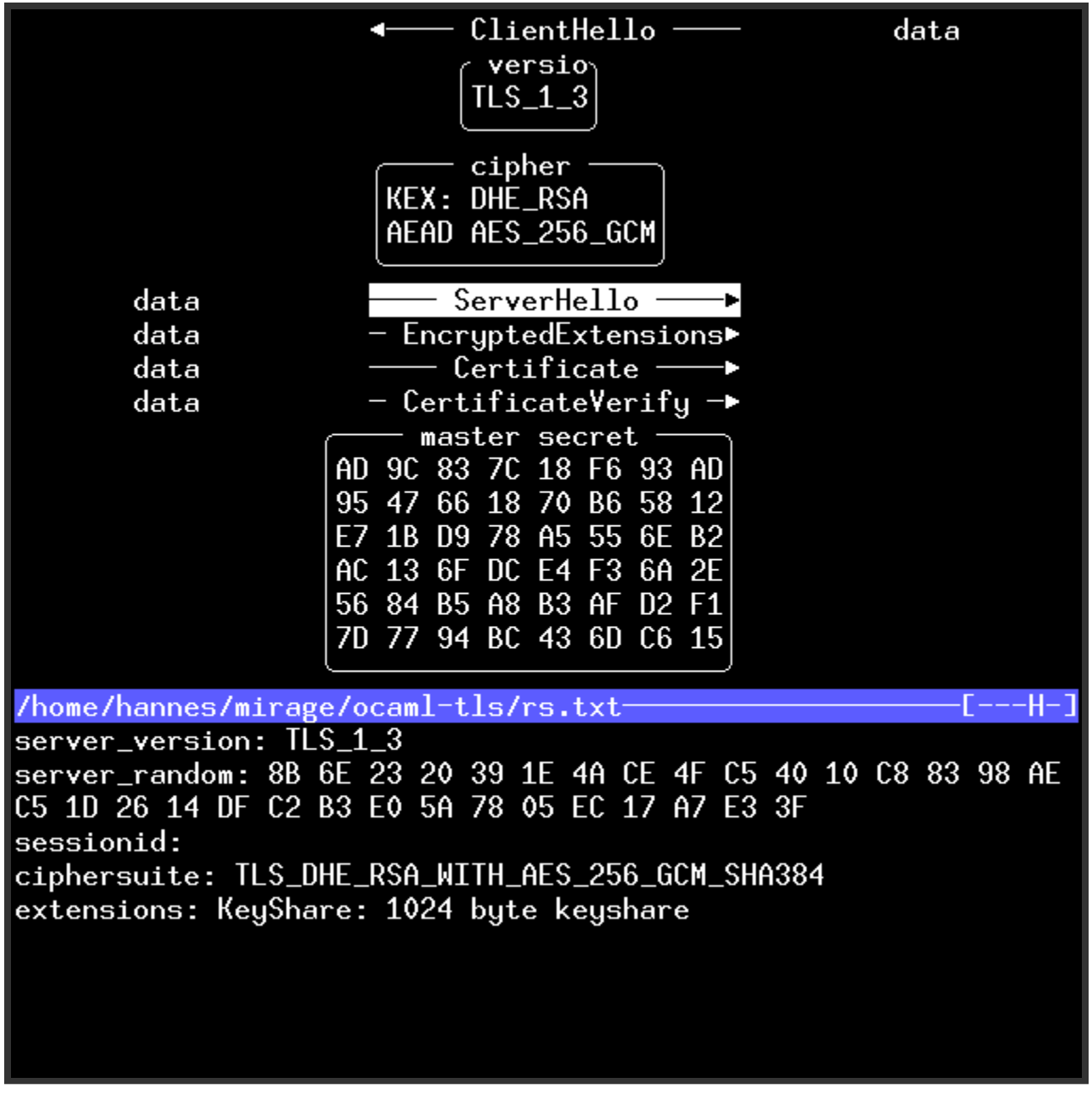
CONFORMANCE CHECKING

- TLS contains choice points: ciphersuite, kex, version, alert, ...
- Explores state space by enumerating choice points in nqsb
- Executes unmodified binary with all sequences of choices
- Covers space of valid interactions
- Reports sequences of choices which lead to failure

VISUALISATION

- Input: recorded trace from nqsb
- Renders trace as sequence diagram (terminal/html)
- Purpose: easier to analyse than a trace as text

A live demo of vis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versio
TLS_1_3
cipher
KEX: DHE_RSA
AEAD AES_256_GCM
data
ServerHello
data
EncryptedExtensions
data
Certificate
data
CertificateVerify
master secret
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AC 13 6F DC E4 F3 6A 2E
56 84 B5 A8 B3 AF D2 F1
7D 77 94 BC 43 6D C6 15
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server_version: TLS_1_3
server_random: 8B 6E 23 20 39 1E 4A CE 4F C5 40 10 C8 83 98 AE
C5 1D 26 14 DF C2 B3 E0 5A 78 05 EC 17 A7 E3 3F
sessionid:
ciphersuite: TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_256_GCM_SHA384
extensions: KeyShare: 1024 byte keyshare

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127.0.0.1:8000

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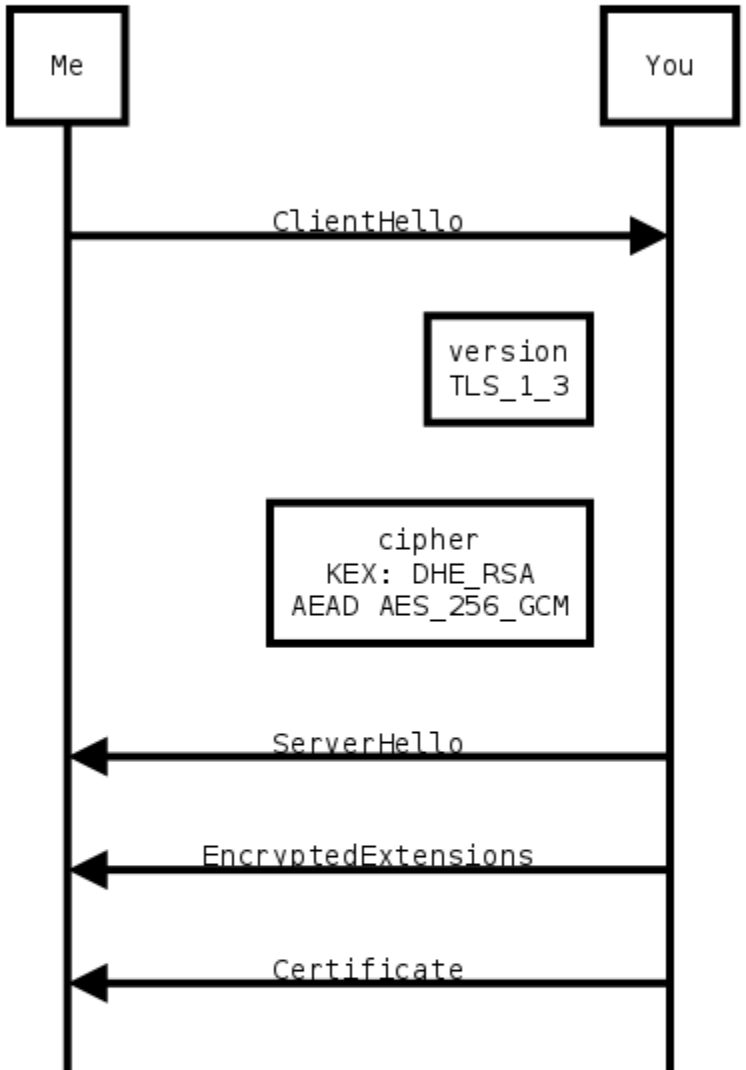
wire ☐ crypt ☐ plain ☐ parse ☑ kdf ☐



MESSAGE DETAILS

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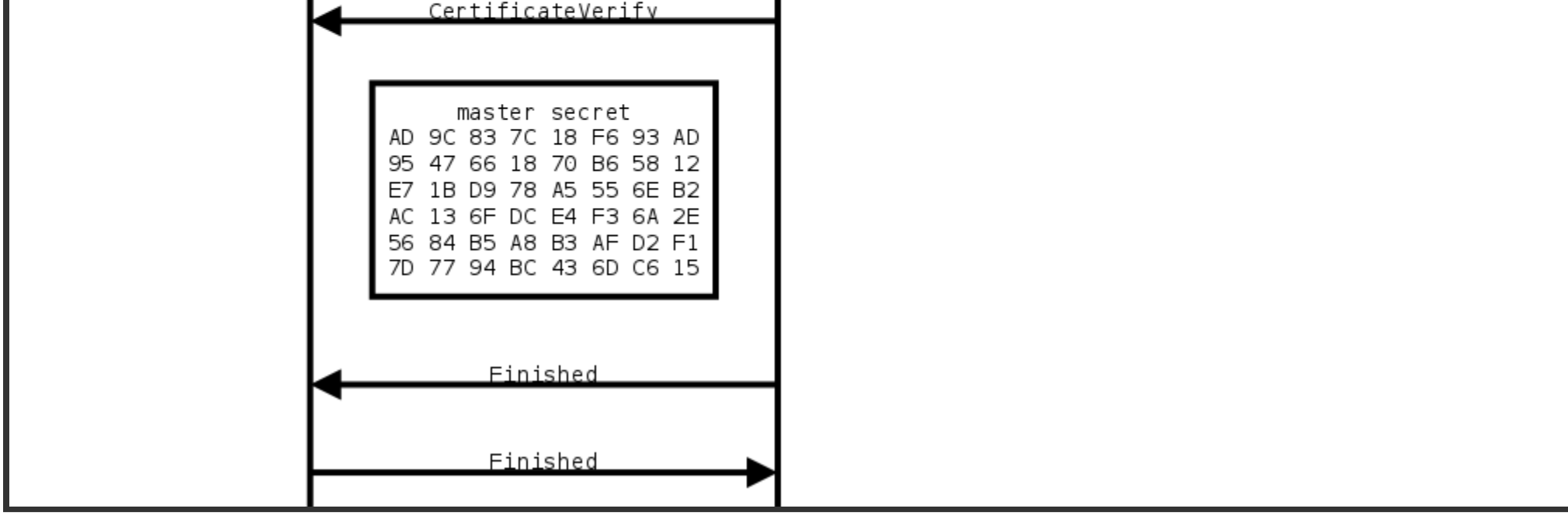
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REPLICATION

- Input: trace, ephemeral and static secret, binary
- Replays one side of trace to your implementation
- Reports discrepancy in behaviour
- Records new trace

SESSION VALIDATION

- Input: session as TCP stream, ephemeral and static secrets
- Validates session against nqsb-TLS protocol handler
- Looks ahead for decisions (ciphersuite, random, ..)
- Result: would nqsb have also accepted/denied the session?

CONCLUSION

- A partial TLS 1.3 implementation/model
- Conformance checking, used as mechanised specification
- 1.3 interoperates with ProtoTLS (Inria)
- IETF WG interested in test generation and validation
- Upcoming WG meeting July 2016 in Berlin
- https://nqsb.io