

# Lec 11: Web Security

Question: How to isolate sites in a web browser?

Answer: SOP

TM/assumptions: attacker controlled site, you visit their site. Browser is safe

**SOP** - Script can only access a resource if they have same origin

- prevents attacker.com JS from talking to gmail
- XMLHttpRequest can only fetch data from same origin

postMsg is msg so cross

How to change location of Existing Documents

1) frames

2) target on hrefs

**CORS**

- specific HTTP headers on server side
- like image retrieval, links, scripts, i-frames

But SOP prevents interaction

How ~~do~~ we know data is really from somewhere? SSL + certs

**XSS** - cross-site scripting  
 - `<script>` bad code `</script>`  
 - use CSP Http header

**Cookies**

- always sent browser → server

**CSRF**

- Ling `src="http://bank.com/xfer?amount=500&to=attacker"`
- uses logged in user w/ valid session key in cookie
- solution - attach random token, so bank.com knows its bank.com making the request

\* SOP doesn't allow code inside frame to refer to resources outside iframe

## Lec 12: Network Security (TCP/IP)

- 1) Client  $\xrightarrow{\text{ISN}_c}$  Server (init sequence #)
- 2) Server  $\xrightarrow{\text{ISN}_s}$  Client (Ack ISN<sub>c</sub>)
- 3) Client  $\xrightarrow{\text{Ack}(\text{ISN}_s)}$  Server
- 4) Client  $\xrightarrow{\text{Data}}$  Server

- 1) Attacker  $\xrightarrow{\text{ISN}_a}$  Server (pretends to be Client)
- 2) Server  $\xrightarrow{\text{ISN}_s}$  Client (Ack)
- 3) Attacker  $\xrightarrow{\text{ISN}_a}$  Server (src = T)
- 4) Attacker  $\xrightarrow{\text{Bad Data}}$  Server

this will trigger client reset but flooding server port on TCP cause message to be lost

Guess ISN by Attacker → server current ISN + 64 for next one  
 Defense → be better

Source Routing Abuse: Attacker pretends to be trusted IP address

Defense → SSL, filtering out forged IP source address, DNSSEC



## DoS attack

- clog server ports by sending a bunch of requests that don't respond (server waits for step #3)

- defense - stateless server until receives ACK (SYN cookies)

$$ISN_s = SN_c + (\text{timestamp} \parallel \text{SHA1}(\text{src/dst addr/port, secret, timestamp}))$$

server sends  
to client

per-client

(attacker can  
guess)

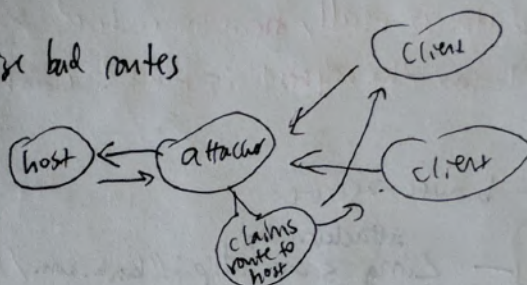
coarse-grained

hash changes, not useful if stolen

Bandwidth Amp - send ping packets to broadcast addr, fake a victim's address

- Def: can't send packets to broadcast addr

Routing Info Protocol Attacks - advertise bad routes



- use of ICMP redirect messages to redirect gateways

- ARP - impersonate router and send a reply for next Ethernet hop

- DHCP - impersonation of server to new clients and choose DNS servers

- BGP - anyone can announce a route

- DNS is a shitshow

SOS

• paranoid gateways filter packets on src/dst addr

• no reason to accept new routes on local net

• authentication of RIP packets?

• Trusted DB of anomalies

• Combo of link/app layer end to end encryption?



# Lec 13: Secure Channels

Question: How do we add authenticity / confidentiality to TCP/IP?

Answer: TLS/SSL

SSL → handshake / record layers  
key exchange protocol that initiates sym crypt across endpts  
conf / auth / replay protect

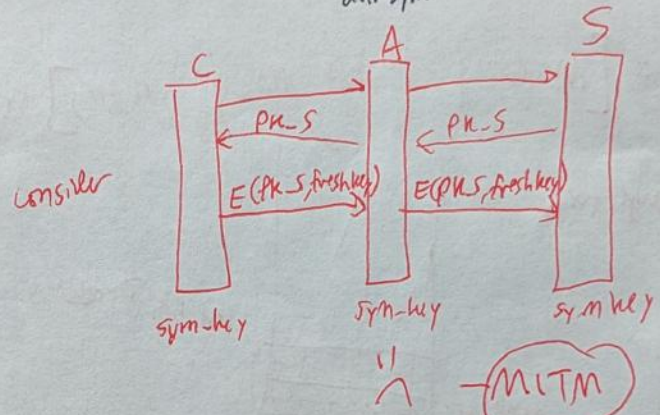
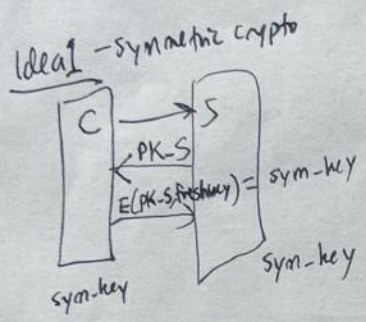
SSL2 vs 3

- weakened authkeys to 40 bits
- doesn't authenticate padding

## OPERATIONS

- KeyGen()
- Encrypt(public\_key, message) → ciphertext
- Decrypt(secret\_key, ciphertext) → message
- Sign(secret\_key, message) → signature
- Verify(public\_key, message, signature) → ok

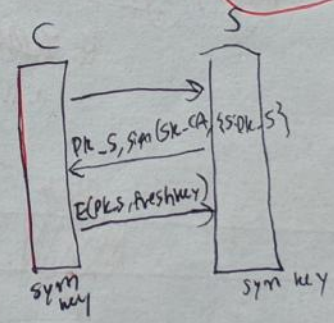
Symmetric key ops → use a symmetric key for both encryption & decryption  
→ use same key for MAC (MAC(key, message) → tag)



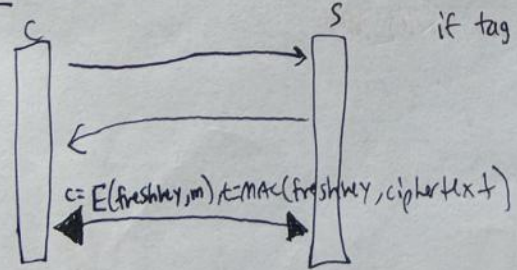
- ① How do we make sure we're talking to real S?
- ② How do we make sure messages aren't changed?  
- encryption = confidentiality, not integrity

## Idea 2 - Certificates

- (principal name, public key) pairs
- Sign(secret\_key-certauth, {S: PK-S})



## Idea 3 - Authenticate messages



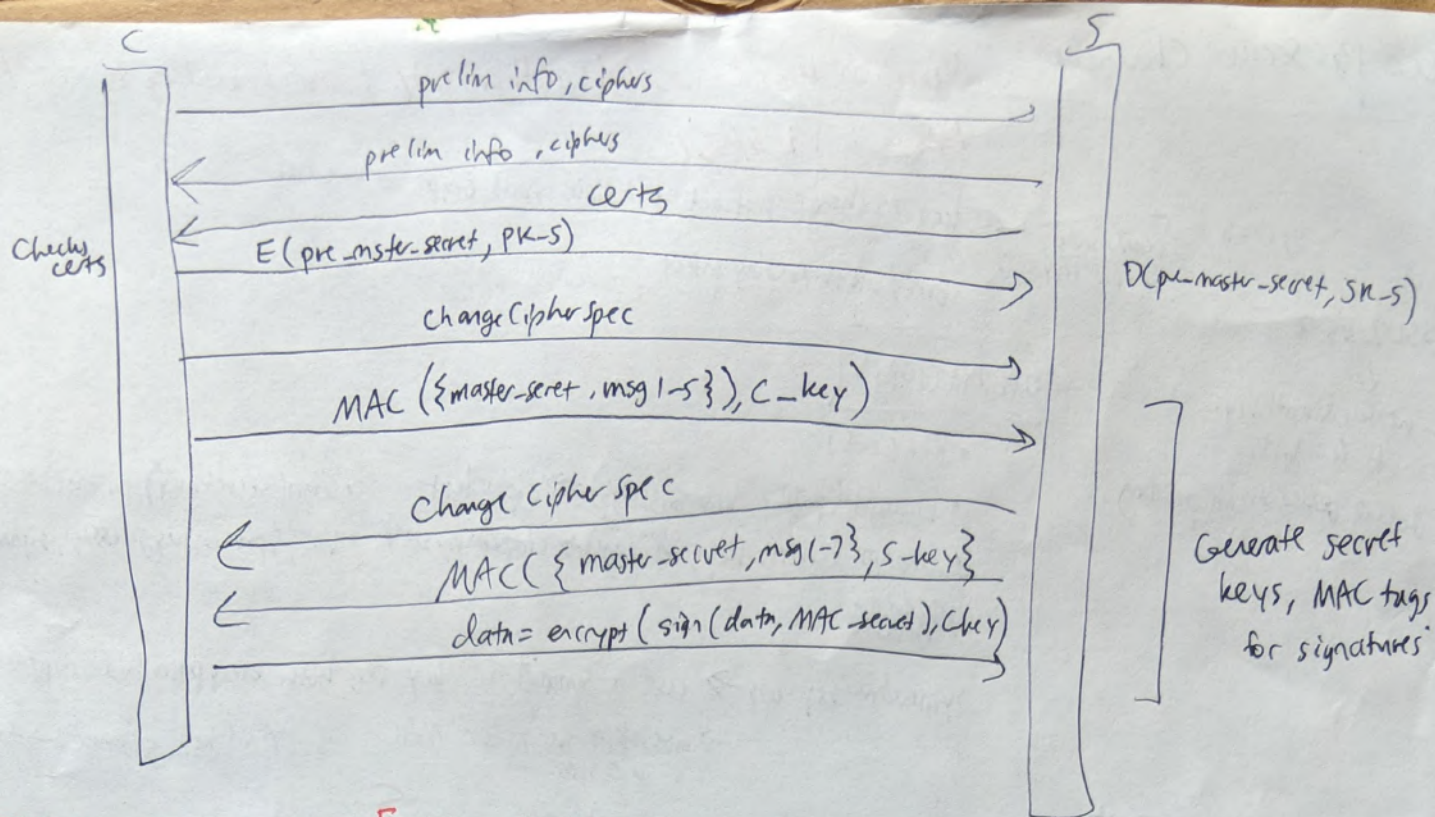
if tag changes, then message has been changed!

Use short-lived keys for encryption, long-lived keys for signing (forward secrecy)

- ① What about replay attacks?  
- Sending valid messages 1000x  
Solution: discard already processed msgs  
• sequence # in msg  
• expiration time

- ② What if someone compromises the server and can use SK-S to decrypt?

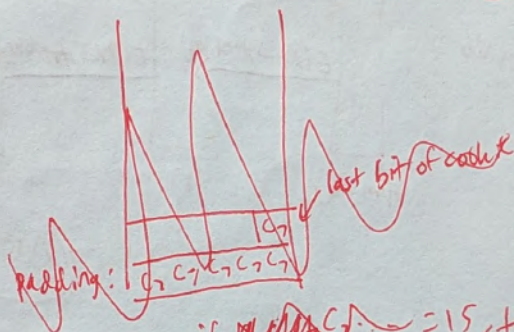




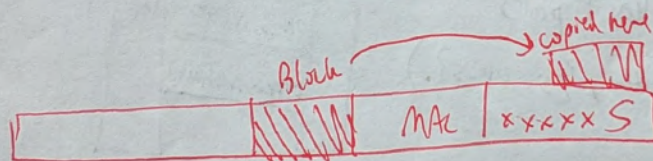
POODLE = SSL message = [ MSG | 20-byte MAC | padding ]  $\text{size} \times 8 = 0$

↓  
stealing cookies

Arrange for



if  $\text{last byte} = 15$ , then the whole padding block will be removed, and server will accept the msg



Client: CBC encrypt this

Server decrypts this, and checks MAC

if last byte here = right S, then server will accept. Then adversary will learn that last byte is 15 (or whatever).



# Lec 14 Key Distribution via Certs

CA - organization trusted to validate DNS name

## Checks

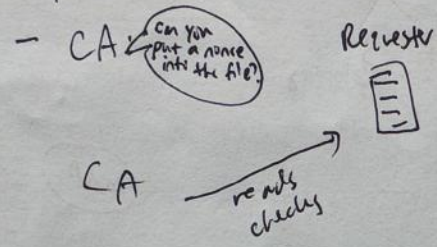
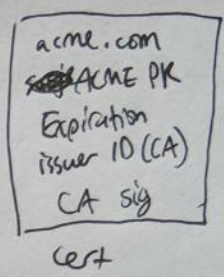
- ✓ subjectname in cert = URL name
- ✓ CA is recognized
- ✓ CA signed cert
- ✓ cert is not expired, or revoked
- ✓ server knows private key corresponding to cert public key

If attacker.com shows real.com cert - you have encryption!

If attacker.com shows attacker.com cert - attacker.com != real.com

EV certs - only legit owners

PV certs - technical check for domain ownership



- only server owner could create such a file
- depends on DNS / IP

Bogus key changes? Like from sloppy CAs...

So: key pinning (Trust on First Use) by browser history. Avoids certificate substitution  
 Serverside key pinning - avoids certificate substitution and lets server decide what to keep the same or when to change

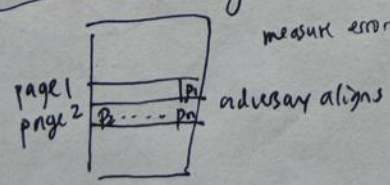
# Lec 15 Side Channel Attacks

load speed, image size, server response speed

## Speculative Execution

- running code ahead of execution via branch prediction
- brings vals into cache
- on failed spec, data remains in cache

## Ex Tenex OS bug



measure error time - if long, then you know p. matches and OS had to load in page #2.

- 1) You need to train branch predictor
- 2) must be able to access arr2
- 3) must EVICT sz, array2 from address space

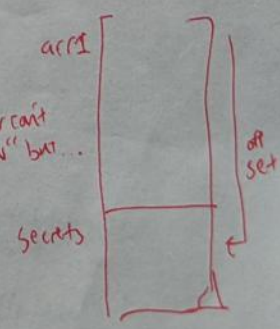
## Attack

```
if (offset < sz) {
    v = arr1[offset]
    n = arr2[v]
}
```

attacker can't read "v" but...

BUT arr2[0] is still in cache

Attacker tests arr2[0] (slow)  
 arr2[0] (slow)...



arr2 - not in cache

arr2[3] FAST! v=13.



# Lec 16: AirBNB

Problem: security is not scaling like everything else

Security = strategy to address risks in your system  
= define threats, responses

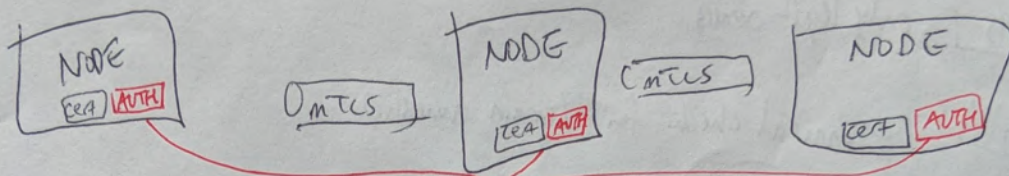
Mitigate risks: threat-agnostic (assume failure)  
defenses around pts of failure  
Self-assess (human fail)

Problem: security focuses on external immediate threats, but ignores internal attacks.

Network Segmentation is hard

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zoning parts of your network to  
restrict access (reduced attack surface)

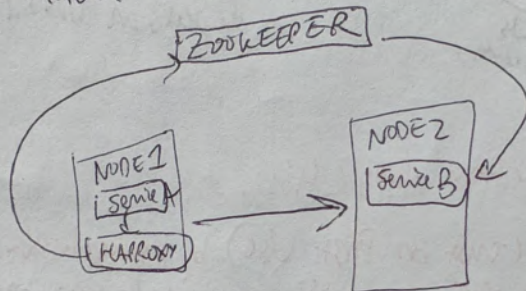
→ Sol: unify security dev & software dev process



\* Mutual TLS = certs sent both ways (client & server service both send each other)

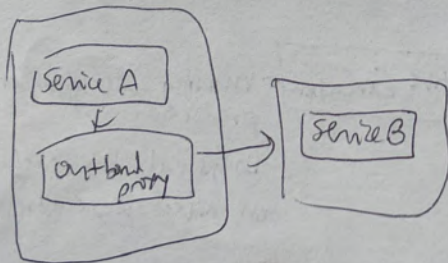
\* Service discovery = system for a node to find another node

\* SmartStack =

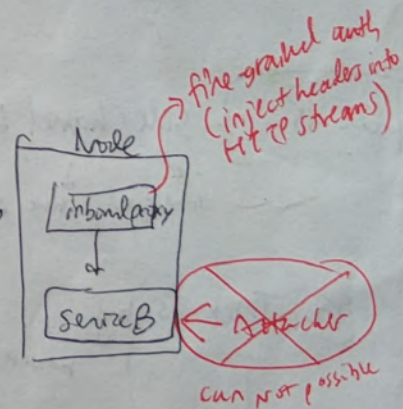
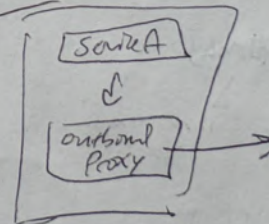


**MAP** - infer from code  
- taking existing config and  
turning it into a map  
(Archive)

Old



New



A, B still scaling, receiving HTTPS traffic

\* Segment by SERVICE

\* Make IDs varied, unchangeable. Define which IDs can access each node.

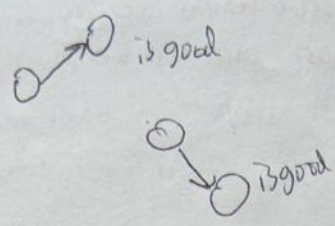


# lec 17: Messaging

Prioritizing confidentiality, authenticity

- 1 TRUST ESTABLISHMENT
- 2 CONVO SECURITY
- 3 TRANSPORT PRIVACY

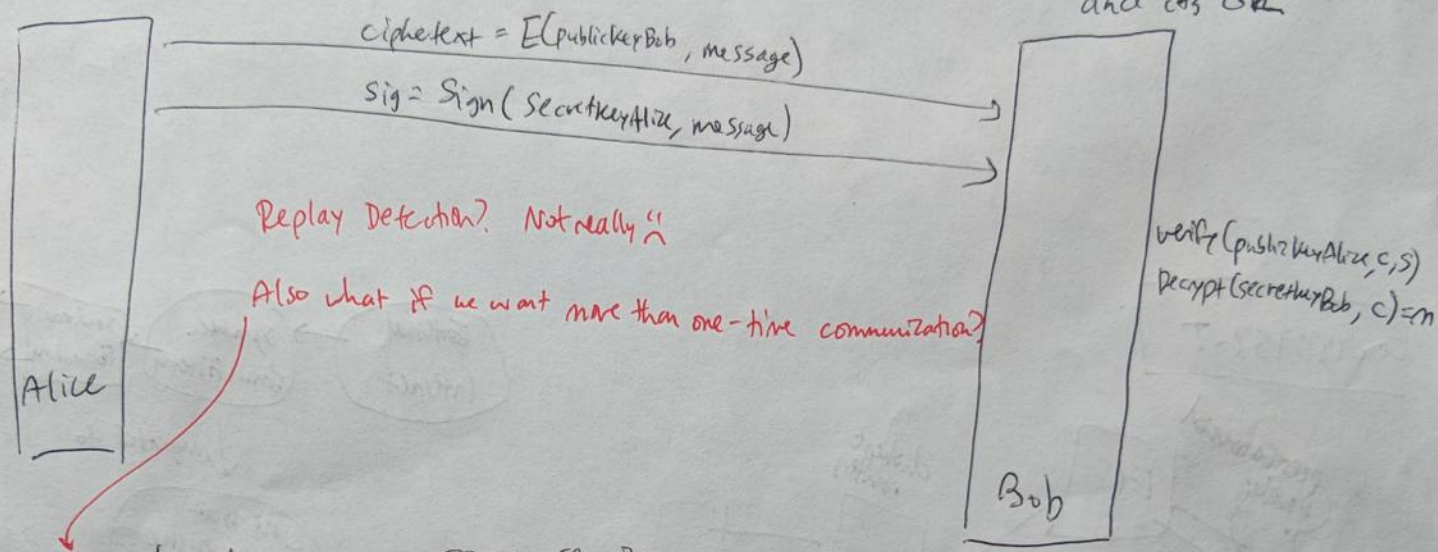
\* Hop by hop security



BUT can you trust every node end to end?

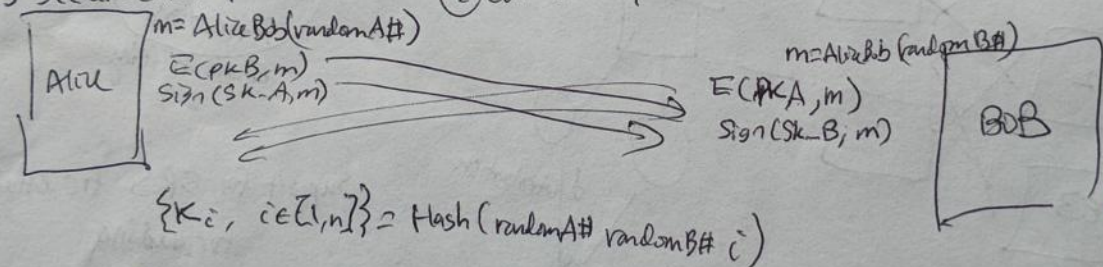
does every node have updated security patches?

\* End to End: security only depends on security of nodes at end - middle could be bad... and it's OK



simp. TLS secure channel

② Convo Security



replays after a convo? No bc random #s  
replays during a convo? seq #

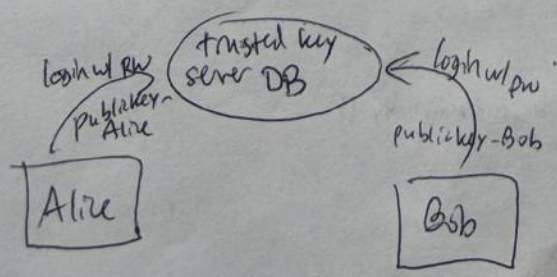
Alice  $\rightarrow$  Encrypt( $K_1, m + seq\#$ ), MAC( $K_2, m$ )  $\rightarrow$  Bob

How to find a user's public key?

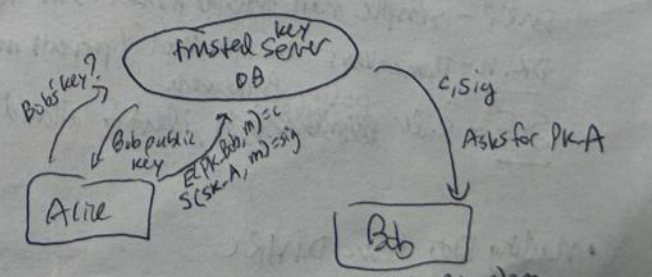
① Trust Establishment

Public Key Discovery - TOFU assume first conn OK and remember this key

Public Key Discovery - Central key server



registering keys



messaging



How to hold corrupt servers accountable?

SOL: make public log of all key updates! So if server returns Eve's key when Alice asks for Bob's, then server must put "Bob  $\rightarrow$  PK-Eve" in log. "

Idea for forward secrecy - if Alice has PK-temp / SK-temp today, then attacker can't decrypt stolen packets tomorrow bc SK-temp doesn't exist anywhere anymore.

### 3) Transport Privacy

#### Deniability

Bob - chooses  $K$ . Alice doesn't want anyone to know Bob talked to her.

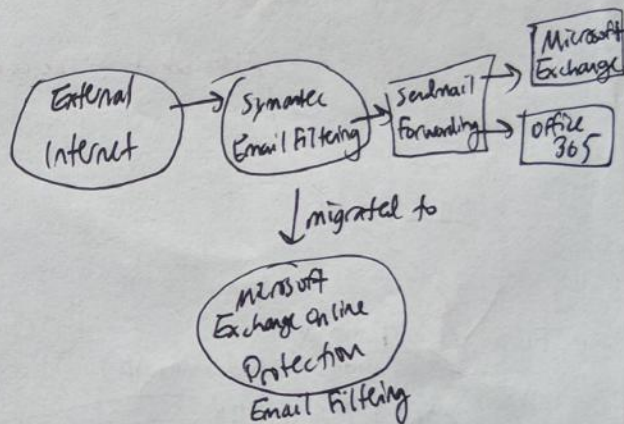
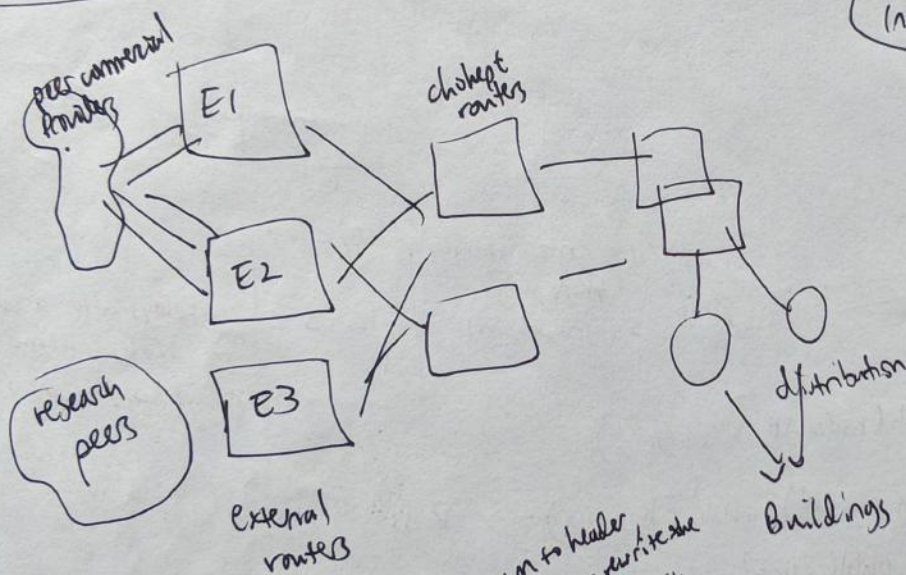
$$1) B \rightarrow E(PK_{Alice}, K) \rightarrow A$$

Anyone could've done  $E(PK_{Alice}, K)$

$$2) A \rightarrow M \rightarrow B \quad A \text{ publishes } *MAC(K, M)$$

Anyone who knows  $M$  can produce  $(MAC(K, M))$

Lec 18: IS&T



Support for SRS for email forwarding

MTA - mail transfer agent - add DKIM to header but may rewrite the message, so it breaks

SRS - Sender rewriting scheme

SMTP - simple mail transfer protocol - send mail

DKIM - DomainKeys Identified Mail (prevents mail spoofing)

SPF - Sender ~~Policy Framework~~ <sup>Policy Framework</sup>, identify allowed sources of email for a domain by IP

rewrites envelope from to fix SPF

• Mailing lists broke DMARC

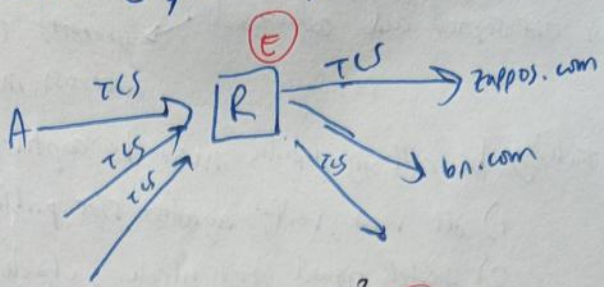


Anonymity.

Unlinkability (can't link Alice to any online profiles). Undetectability (can't tell Alice is doing anything at all)

Threat Model — useful for web browsing, interactivity

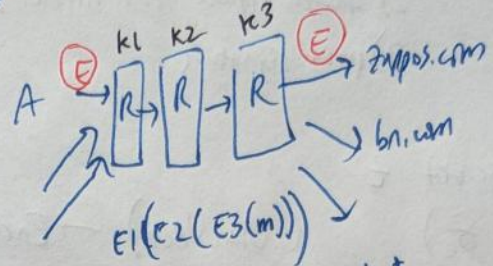
Building forward anonymity:



What if someone is watching relay?

Node Discovery

- if you want to be a relay, authorities vote on you
- informing people on relays



Packet in still = packet out. Eve can still read and determine if Alice on zappos.com

send strips (auth'd by authority) of routing table, esp of relays where they're going. Verifies that routing table honors client's request for random routing

Onion 2) decrypt at every level. is prob sym keys negotiated w/ each R and A

Keybase

sol: per-user keys

\* MULTI-DEVICE SUPPORT

• forward, backward secrecy

\* Naming teams w/ changing members

➤ chains, shared secret key that rotates

\* auth'd invitation of new members

Threat — adversaries own server infrastructure, locked devices

team → random shared sym key. rotates when users/devices are revoked.

→ msgs signed by user (auth)

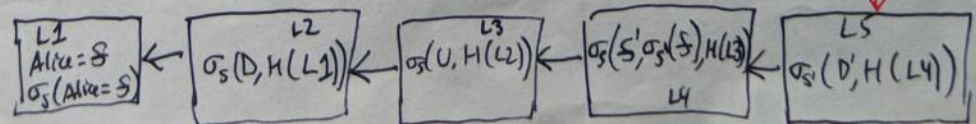
Bob can play sigchain from L1 to verify Alice

Alice → { user:n  
signing pair: (S, S') ← signed w/ S  
DH key pair: (d, D)  
user DH key pair: (u, U)  
Encrypted for D, D'

D2 { (S', S') ... S' signed w/ S & S signed w/ S'  
(d', D') ← D' signed w/ S'

S, d don't leave Device 2

Revoking



$\sigma_S(\text{twitter}(\text{@therealAlice}, H(L1)))$  L8

$\sigma_S(R(S, D), H(L5))$  L6

$\sigma_S(U', H(L6))$  L7

generate new (u', U')



## Defense against DDOS, corrupted Data

- 1) user signature chains are never rolled back → prevents rollback attacks of using old keys
  - 2) additions are signed and advertised → prevents fake "key updates" in that Icomoboration across multiple services & accounts
- prevents forking bc all sig chains must be captured in site's global Merkle Tree
- 1) all root, verify against site public key
  - 2) fetch signed root block, check chain against cached data
  - 3) post signature

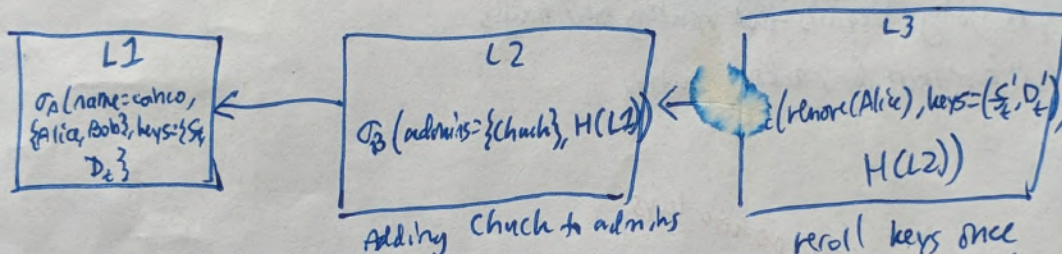
## Teams - team secret $t$

$(S_t, S_e)$

$(D_t, D_e)$

sym-key for shared team data

$(U_A, U_{Bob})$  - Encrypts a  $t$  for  $U_A, U_B$



Adding Chuck to admins

re-roll keys since Alice is removed.

- Also when team member remove denies, per-user keys re-roll, and team must re-roll keys



# lec22 secure channels

A

B

$$c = E(k, m)$$

$$h = MAC(k, m)$$

$[c|h]$

$m = D(k, c)$  — figure out  $m$   
 $MAC(k, m) == h?$  — Have to have  $k$  to get  $h$

replay attacks? resending  $[c|h]$

$$c = E(k, m|seq)$$

$$h = MAC(k, m|seq)$$

$[c|h]$

$$m|seq = D(k, c)$$

$$MAC(k, m|seq) == h?$$

reflection attacks?  
 $\leftarrow [c|h]$  Eve

$$c_a = E(k_a, m|seq_a)$$

$$h_a = MAC(k_a, m|seq_a)$$

$[c_a|h_a]$

$$m|seq_a = D(k_a, c_a)$$

$$MAC(k_a, m|seq_a) == h_a?$$

$c_b|h_b$

$$m_b|seq_b = D(k_b, c_b)$$

$$MAC(k_b, m_b|seq_b) == h_b?$$

$$c_b = E(k_b, m_b|seq_b)$$

$$h_b = MAC(k_b, m_b|seq_b)$$

How do A, B know  $k_a, k_b, h$ ?

random  $a$

$$g^a \text{ mod } p$$

pick random  $b$

$$g^b \text{ mod } p$$

$$(g^b \text{ mod } p)^a \text{ mod } p$$

$$(g^b \text{ mod } p)^a \text{ mod } p$$

$$k = g^{ab} \text{ mod } p$$

What if MITM?  
 — use key pairs

$$c = E(k_a, m|seq_a)$$

$$h = MAC(k_a, m|seq_a)$$

$$Sig = \text{sign}(\text{secret}_A, m|seq_a)$$

$[c|h|sig]$

$$m|seq_a = D(k_a, c)$$

$$MAC(k_a, m|seq_a) == h$$

$$\text{verify}(m|seq_a, PK_A, sig) == \text{yes?}$$



## lec 23 DDoS

\* BOTNETS

\* NIDS

signature based

anomaly based

Detection of

Network Intrusion - blocks certain traffic

### Attacks

1) HTTP Flooding

2) TCP SYN floods

3) optimistic ACKs

4) DNS amplification

- overloading routing tables

- hijacking prefixes

## lec 24 Blockchain - distributed public logs

### Questions

- Anonymity: users re public keys
- integrity: users sign their transactions
- preventing reordering - include hash of prev. txn

PK<sub>A</sub>:TX

H(PK<sub>A</sub>:TX)  
PK<sub>B</sub>:TX

H(H(PK<sub>A</sub>:TX)  
PK<sub>B</sub>:TX)

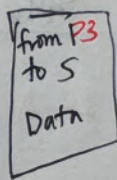
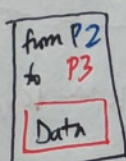
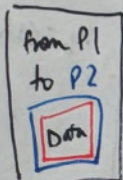
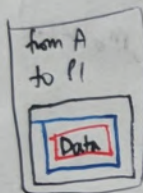
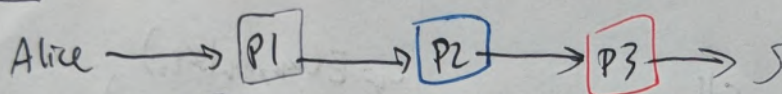
Consensus

↳ take longest log

↳ make it hard to validate blocks

## lec 25 Tor

Anonymity!



circuit ID  
also encrypted +  
included

- Nothing says from Alice to S

- Nothing receives a packet from Alice & directly sends it to S

- No one keeps state that links Alice to S

- data doesn't appear the same