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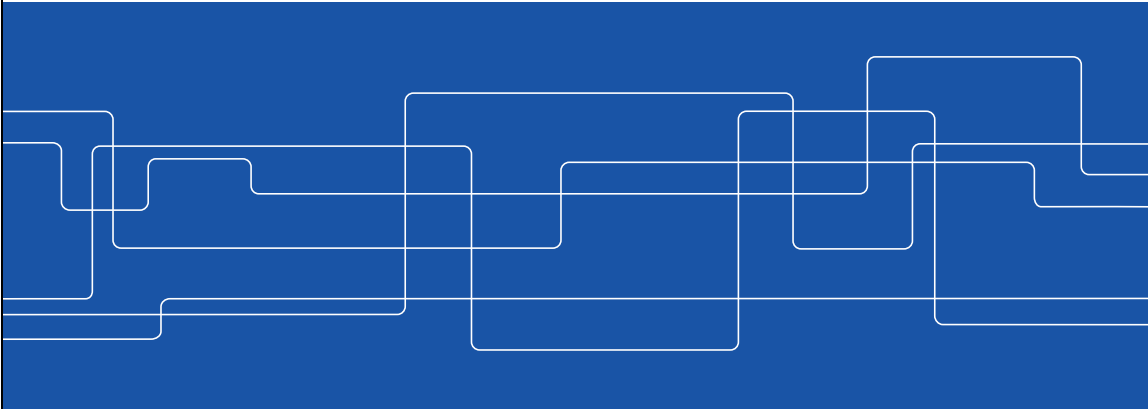


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Module 13: Communications when others are (probably) listening

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Context

Edward J. Snowden's leak of government documents revealed extent of interception & active attacks

June 2014 - :

- <http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/nsa-secrets/>
- <http://www.theguardian.com/us-news/the-nsa-files>
- <http://www.spiegel.de/international/germany/new-snowden-revelations-on-nsa-spying-in-germany-a-975441.html>

There is no question that there are people listening, be it the U.S.'s NSA, Sweden's FRA, France's DGSE , ... There are also private persons and businesses that are listening.

See for example the romantic messages intercepted between personnel on Sweden's HMS Vinga and HMS Ulvön that was intercepted by radio amateurs and released on the Russian site Radio Scanner (<http://www.thelocal.se/20141128/russia-intercepts-sweden-navy-love-texts>)

KTH Crosstalks – “The dark side of the web - Internet's parallel universe”

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL3k3XLxxiaYZoYhbvCZso5sOETvqMSzH>

<http://crosstalks.tv/dark-networks-not-necessarily-evil/>

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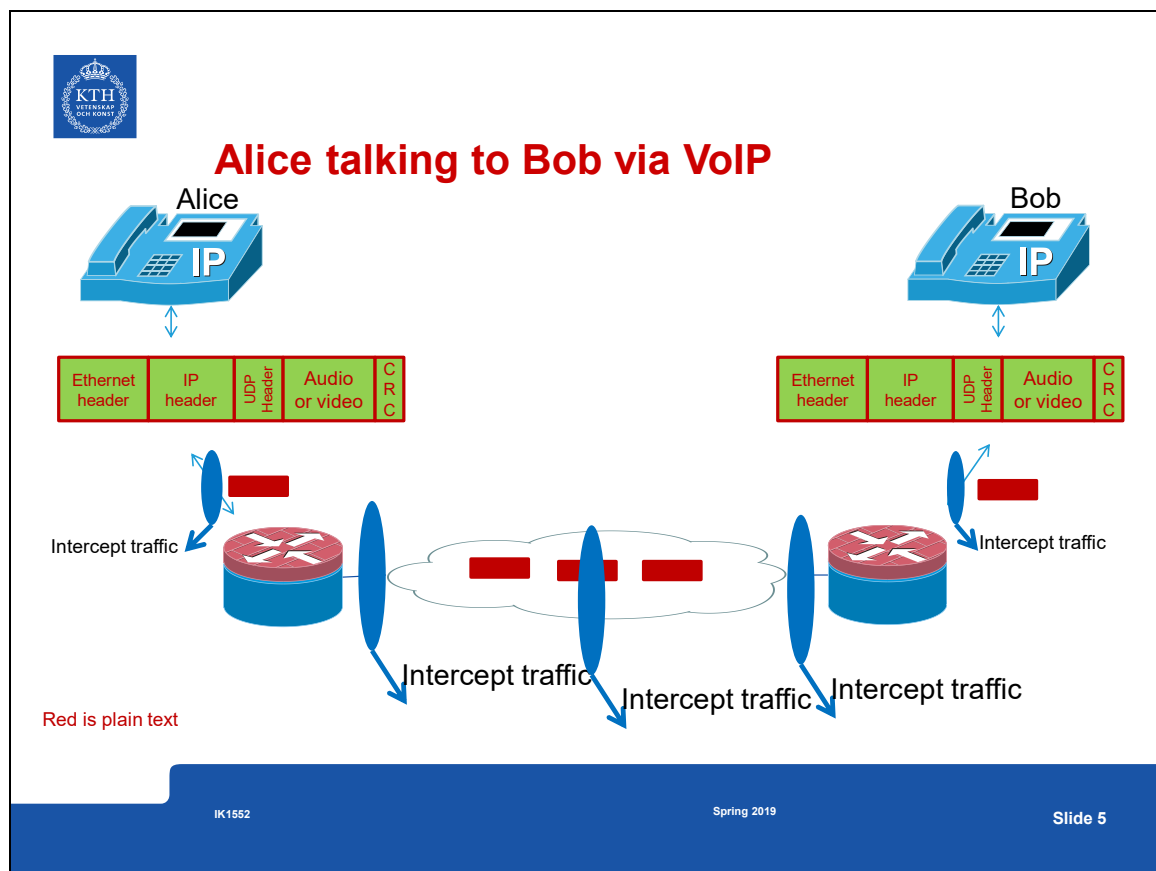
Voice over IP (VoIP) Threats

- Eavesdropping
- Call interception
- Location tracking
- Who is talking to whom – communicating parties
- Denial-of-service
- Hijacking
- Spam over internet telephony (SPIT)
- Entities purposely blocking or degrading VoIP service
- ...

Solutions: Technical mechanisms + Social awareness

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What is “meta data”?

- Meta data is the data about communications – as opposed to the content of the communication
- In traditional telephony this would include:
- Caller and callee phone numbers, time of day, and duration
- Cellular telephony meta data may include base station ID, geolocation of the terminal, IMEI, ...
- Internet communication: source & destination IP addresses, protocol, source & destination port numbers, and other header information.

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Meta data and IPv6

Is an IPv6 header meta data or content?

0	4	8	12	16	20	24	28
Version	Traffic class		Flow label				
Payload length				Next header		Hop limit	
Source address							
Destination address							



Meta data and IPv6

Alberto Escudero-Pascual's 2002 licentiate thesis 'Privacy in the next generation Internet. Data protection in the context of European Union policy' argues that some of the header is **content** and not simply meta data

IPv6 with autoconfiguration \Rightarrow unique identifier based upon the MAC address of the interface you are using

Network prefix + 64 bit identifier

- Reveals your MAC address
 - With DB of vendor IDs can reveal what kind of device you are using
 - The 64 bit identifier does not change when you move from net to net
- \Rightarrow Cryptographically Generated Addresses (RFCs 3972 and 4581) and Secure Neighbor Discovery (SEND) protocol (RFC 3971)

A. Escudero-Pascual, 'Privacy in the next generation Internet. Data protection in the context of European Union policy', KTH, Microelectronics and Information Technology, IMIT, 2002.

<http://urn.kb.se/resolve?urn=urn:nbn:se:kth:diva-3435>

T. Aura, 'Cryptographically Generated Addresses (CGA)', Internet Request for Comments, vol. RFC 3972 (Proposed Standard), March 2005, Available at <http://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc3972.txt>

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What is “traffic data”?

Alberto Escudero-Pascual and Ian (Gus) Hosein in ‘Questioning lawful access to traffic data’ indicate that there are difficulties of defining what is “traffic data” in a technology neutral way

Why consider a “technology neutral” definition?

⇒ Because this makes regulation simpler!

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Lawful Interception (LI)

- Convention on Cybercrime
- US Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA): should be applied to VoIP services (and other data services) to “conduct lawful electronic surveillance”, such as:
 - "pen register" - records call-identifying information for calls originated by a subject
 - "trap and trace" - records call-identifying information for calls received by a subject, and
 - "interception" - records the conversations of the subject, as well as call identifying information
- EU Directive 95/46/EC - Data Protection Directive, EU Directive 97/66/EC - Telecommunications Data Protection, and EU Directive 2002/58/EC – the e-Communications Directive
<http://www.dataprivacy.ie/images/Directive%202002-58.pdf>

US Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA) {47 U.S.C. § 1001 et seq.}
European Council Resolution of 17 January 1995 on the Lawful Interception of Telecommunications (Official Journal C 329 , 04/11/1996 p. 0001 - 0006) <http://www.etsi.org/technologies-clusters/technologies/security/lawful-interception>

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FRA law (FRA-lagen in Swedish)

Government proposal 2006/07:63 – Changes to defence intelligence activities (Swedish proposition 2006/07:63 – *En anpassad försvarsunderrättelseverksamhet*).

Authorizes Swedish National Defence Radio Establishment (*Försvarets radioanstalt* (FRA)) to intercept traffic crossing Sweden's borders

Mark Klamberg, "FRA and the European Convention on Human Rights - A Paradigm Shift in Swedish Electronic Surveillance Law", Dag Wiese Scharbaum (editor), *Overvåking i en rettstat* in the series *Nordisk årbok i rettsinformatikk* (Nordic Yearbook of Law and Information Technology), Fagforlaget, Bergen 2010, pp. 96-134. <http://www.diva-portal.org/smash/get/diva2:390333/FULLTEXT01.pdf>

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FRA monitoring communications since 1930s

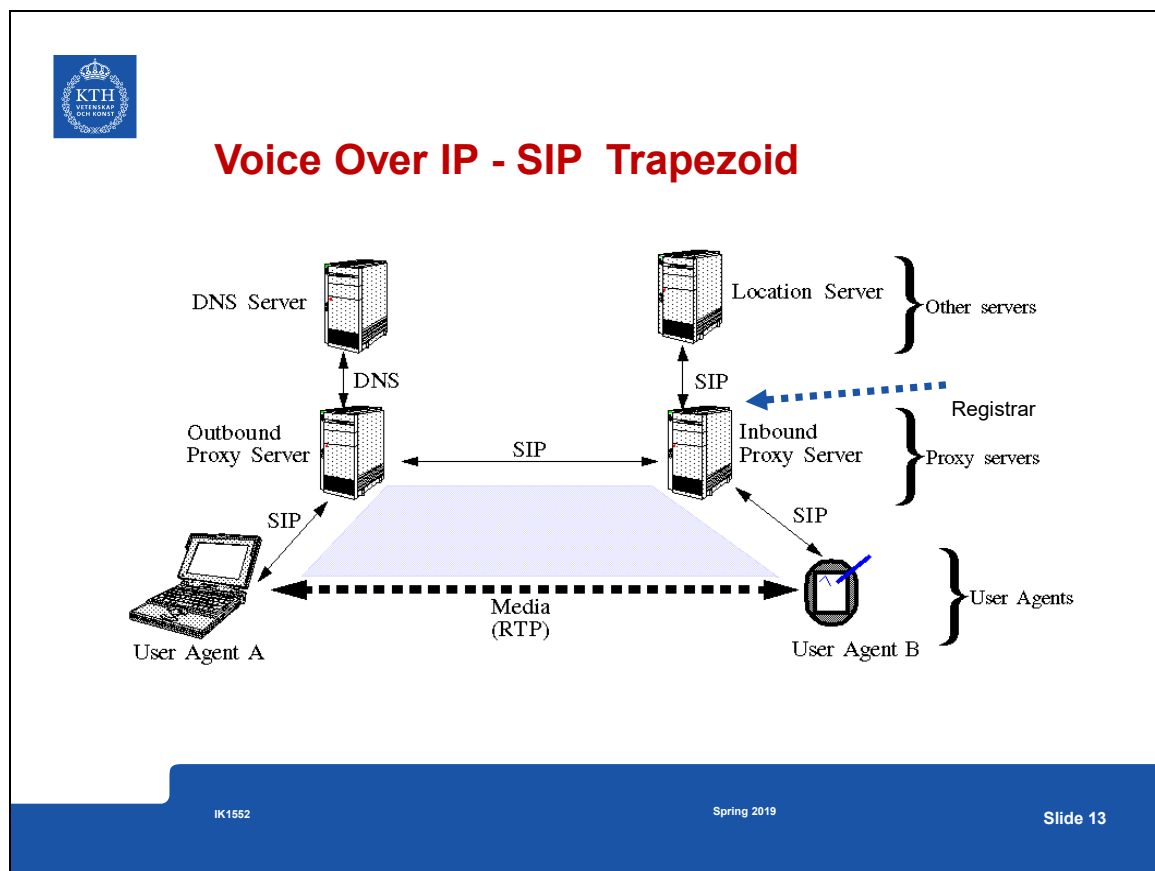
"Clarification: In the SOU (Swedish Government Official Reports) 2009:66 Signalspaning för polisiära ändamål (signals intelligence for law enforcement purposes), p. 55 it is stated that the police started with signals intelligence 1939. The Defence Radio Establishment (FRA) was established 1942 (its predecessor already in 1937). Professor Agrell has found documents in the archives of the Swedish state that show that the Swedish Government in a secret decision in 1948 obligated Telegrafstyrelsen (government-owned corporation, public enterprise, responsible for telecommunications) to transfer all telegram destined or from foreign embassies to the FRA. This power was gradually expanded in secret until 1991 when the Government out of fear of a potential public disclosure cancelled these powers ending FRA's access to cable communications. FRA could still intercept communication radio, satellite and microwave relay link which during the 1990s was enough for the needs of FRA. All of this was secret but it all became public in when the Government introduced legislation which was under debate 2007/2008. One of main purposes of the law was to grant the FRA access to cable communications which was perceived as necessary because most international communication went from satellite to fibre-optics. To summarize, the FRA and its predecessor has been monitoring communication since the late 1930s."

Mark Klamberg, <http://klamberg.blogspot.se/search/label/English>

See also his presentation "Electronic surveillance and privacy - in light of the Snowden Affair" in Uppsala, September 16th, 2013. Available from <http://klamberg.blogspot.se/search/label/English>

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SIP Call setup - Signaling

Ethernet II, Src: 00:0b:db:5c:b1:7d, Dst: 00:00:0c:07:ac:67

Internet Protocol, Src Addr: 130.237.15.248 Dst Addr: 130.237.203.11

User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 5060 (5060), Dst Port: 5060 (5060)

Session Initiation Protocol

Request line: INVITE sip:maguire@sip1.it.kth.se;user=phone SIP/2.0

Method: INVITE

Message Header

From: <sip:maguire@it.kth.se;user=phone>;tag=1455337979

To: <sip:maguire@sip1.it.kth.se;user=phone>

Call-ID: 58415367@130.237.15.248

CSeq: 101 INVITE

Contact: <sip:maguire@130.237.15.248:5060;user=phone;transport=UDP>;expires=1000

User-Agent: Minisip

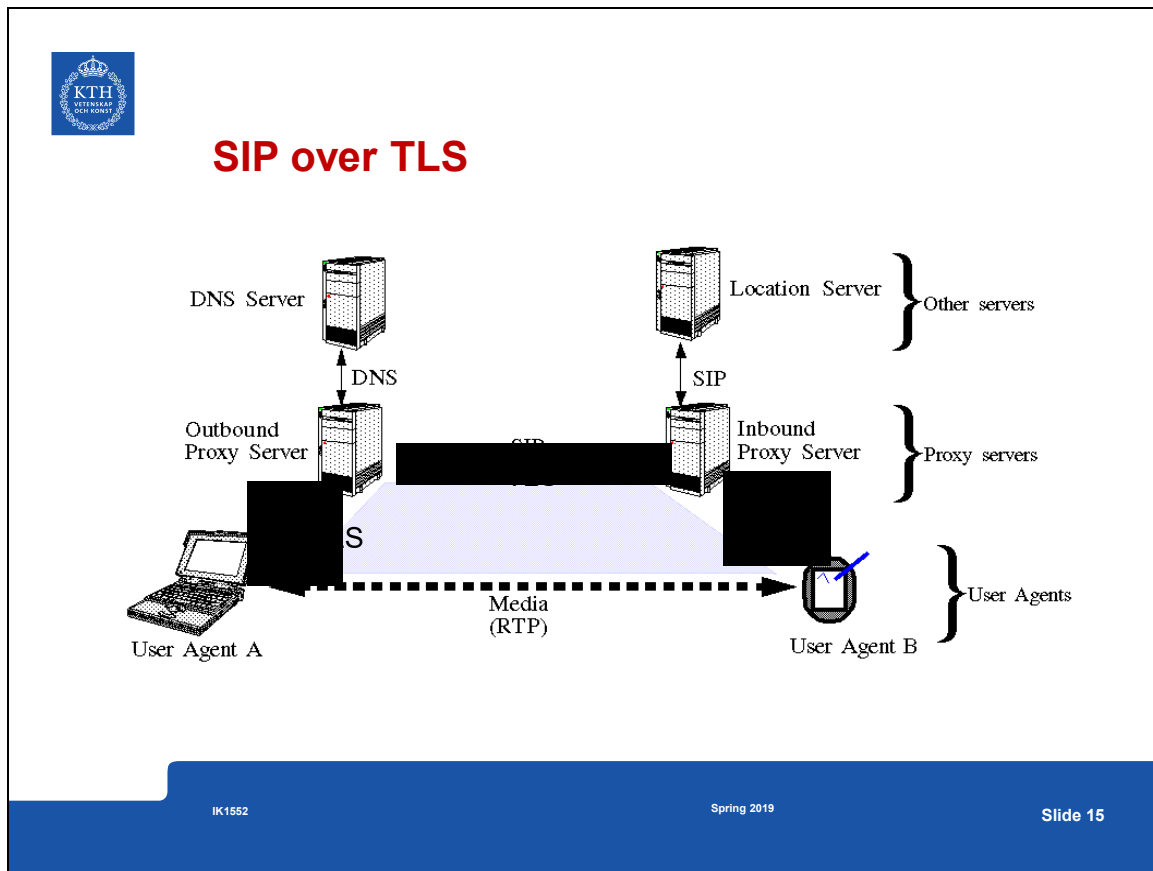
Content-Type: application/sdp

Via: SIP/2.0/UDP 130.237.15.248:5060;branch=z9hG4bK1587902522

Content-Length: 533

We can protect this signaling by using TLS or IPsec tunneling; or we can use S/MIME to encrypt the SDP.

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Multiple CODECs

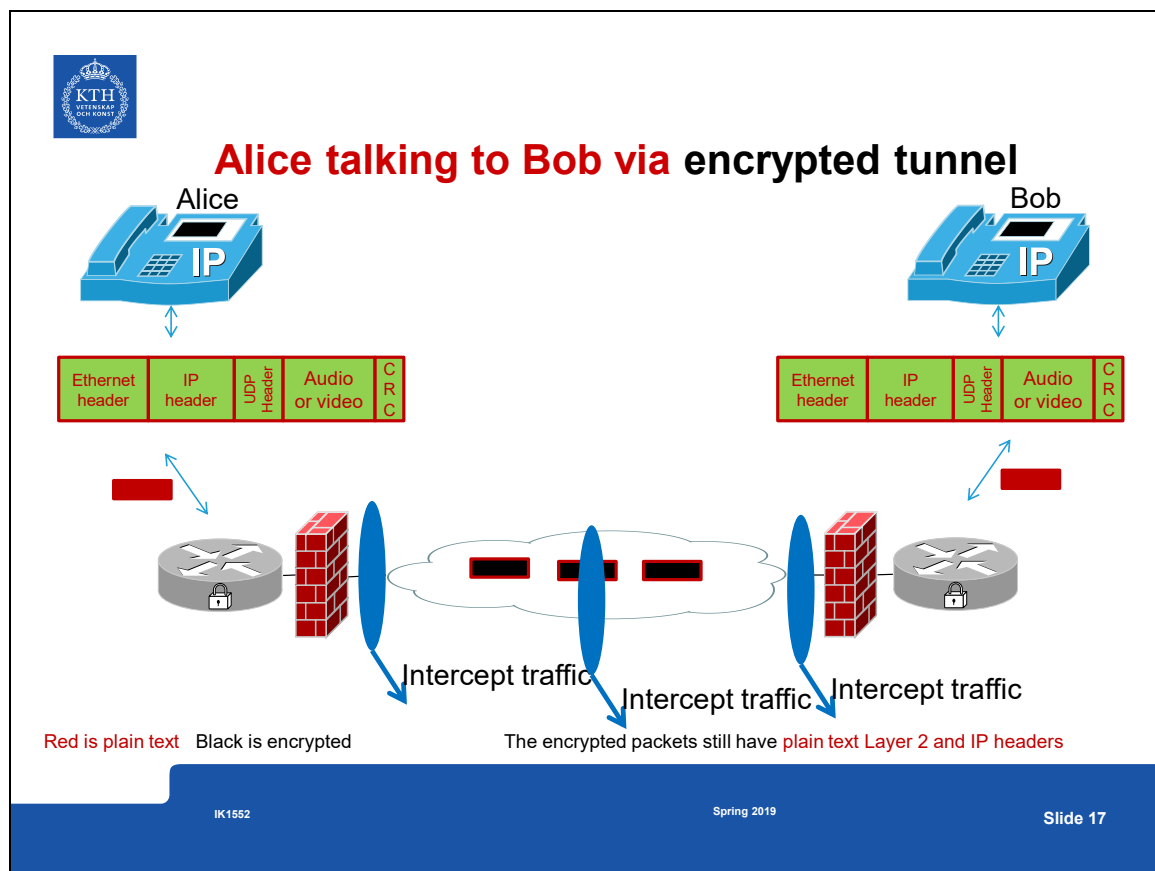
Erik Eliasson's minisip (minisip.org) enabling pluggable CODECs

- Each RTP packet says which CODEC was used
- SDP can specify multiple CODECs each with different properties (including better than toll quality)
- For example, G.711 sends 50 packets of 160 byte RTP payload length (packet size is 176 bytes) per second (i.e. 64 kbps), i.e., 20 ms between packets
- Some CODECs do **silence suppression** and **generate variable length packets**

An old version of the source code is at <https://github.com/csd/minisip>

Erik Eliasson, *Secure Internet telephony : design, implementation and performance measurements*, Licentiate thesis. Stockholm, Sweden: KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Electronic, Computer and Software Systems, ECS, 2006, Trita-ICT-ECS AVH-06:04 [Online]. Available: <http://urn.kb.se/resolve?urn=urn%3Anbn%3Ase%3Aakth%3Adiva-4080>

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Is using this tunnel sufficient?

If the CODEC encodes phonemes with packets of different lengths, then the correlation between packet length and phoneme remains after the encoded speech is encrypted \Rightarrow hence the tunnel is not sufficient:

C. V. Wright, L. Ballard, S. E. Coull, F. Monroe, and G. M. Masson, “**Uncovering spoken phrases in encrypted voice over IP conversations**,” ACM Transactions on Information and System Security, vol. 13, pp. 35:1 – 35:30, Dec. 2010.

L. Khan, M. Baig, and A. M. Youssef, “**Speaker recognition from encrypted VoIP communications**,” Digital Investigation, vol. 7, pp. 65–73, Oct. 2010.

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Vasily Prokopov, “Eavesdropping on encrypted VoIP conversations: phrase spotting attack and defense approaches”, 1st place at Kaspersky Lab’s IT Security for the Next Generation - European Cup 2012
http://vasilyprokopov.com/publications_files/Eavesdropping_on_encrypted_VoIP_conversations.pdf

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Secure Voice Over IP

Secure real time protocol (SRTP) securing the media data transport

- Israel M. Abad Caballero, Secure Mobile Voice over IP, MS thesis, June 2003.
- Packet creation: RTP 3-5 μ s ; RTP+SRTP 76-80 μ s (throughput of 20Mbps!)
- With Intel Pentium III processor, 700 Mhz
- Security services: confidentiality and message authentication (with replay protection)

Multimedia internet keying (MIKEY) - key management protocol

- Johan Bilien, Key Agreement for Secure Voice over IP, MS thesis, Dec. 2003.

Note: Elisabetta Carrara (one of the authors of SRTP & MIKEY) did her licentiate at KTH (2005) while working for Ericsson Research; later at European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA); now at Galileo Supervisory Authority

Israel Abad Caballero, Secure Mobile Voice over IP, Master's thesis, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, June 2003
<http://urn.kb.se/resolve?urn=urn:nbn:se:kth:diva-93113>

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<http://urn.kb.se/resolve?urn=urn:nbn:se:kth:diva-93069>



SIP Call's SDP

Session Description Protocol

Owner/Creator, Session Id (o): 3344 3344 IN IP4 130.237.15.248

Session Name (s): Minisip Session

Connection Information (c): IN IP4 130.237.15.248

Time Description, active time (t): 0 0

Media Description, name and address (m): audio 32806 RTP/AVP 0

Media Type: **audio**

Media Port: **32806**

Media Proto: RTP/AVP

Media Format: 0

Media Attribute (a): rtpmap:0 **PCMU/8000/1**

Media Attribute (a): key-mgmt:**mikey**

AQAFgH1I7igCAAAcHvouAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAsAxcXV/yACGN4BEGlkPa/2+Z
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vqY9mDBq0uVNEQKEEvTWiS8eaw7x9CczEsLOnYz4QM0PPyhq1MCrueKHmJ4s7k
DkFxS0F+CPUVehB

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Secure call setup

Total delay (in ms)	Calling Delay	Answering Delay
No security	19.5	9.5
MIKEY, shared key	20.9	10.5
MIKEY, Diffie-Hellman	52.5 (UDP) 58.9 TCP)	47.6 (UDP) 48.9 (TCP)

Johan Bilien, Erik Eliasson, and Jon-Olov Vatn, "Call establishment delay for secure VoIP", WiOpt'04: Modeling and Optimization in Mobile, Ad Hoc and Wireless Networks, University of Cambridge, UK, 24-26 March, **2004**

Alice and Bob use minisip, running on 1.4 GHz Pentium 4 laptops, running Linux 2.4

Today:

Average call setup delay using 2048 bits RSA with Diffie-Hellman: **332 msec**;

Average call accepting delay **613 ms** (between Macbook Air, OS X (64bit), 1.7 GHz CPU and Dell XPS 1530, Windows 8 (64bit), 2.50 GHz) – **both running**

Ubuntu in VirtualBox. Maryam Sepasi, Storage and call delay assessment with different security algorithms for Voice over IP calls, Paper submitted for the course: IK2554 Practical Voice Over IP, 2014-02-23

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Reasonably Available Information

Operators are only required to provide information to law enforcement **if it is reasonably available**. For example, "call-identifying information is reasonably available to a carrier if it is present at an intercept access point and can be made available without the carrier being unduly burdened with network modifications"

The EU statute is similar in identifying that such information may be required when this is **technically feasible** and **economically feasible**.

- Thus Call Forwarding Information might **not** always be reasonably available in a SIP environment - since the call forwarding could happen outside the control of a given operator.
- Similarly Dialed-Digit Extraction might **not** be available in a SIP environment since the actual IP address of the source and destination might be inside encrypted SDP
- ...



Lawful intercept of VoIP communications

Generally mandated by law and/or regulations to support law enforcement and national security

LI can cause problems:

- Vassilis Prevelakis and Diomidis Spinellis, "The Athens Affair: How some extremely smart hackers pulled off the most audacious cell-network break-in ever", IEEE Spectrum, 29 June 2007 <http://spectrum.ieee.org/telecom/security/the-athens-affair>
- Hellenic Authority for Communication Security and Privacy (ADAE) fines: Vodafone Greece: €76M + Ericsson: €7.36 M

Is it technically feasible?

Who pays? When do they pay?

Swedish versus Finnish models

Romanidis Evripidis, Lawful Interception and countermeasures: in the era of internet telephony, Masters thesis, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), School of Information and Communication Technology, Stockholm, Sweden, COS/CCS 2008-20, September 2008.
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Lawful Intercept and “Pen Traces”

SIP call is setup by communicating with the **user’s agent** -- which knows where the user can be contacted

- Potentially you could apply a court order to this agent
- However, the call setup (SDP) could be encrypted with S/MIME so you need this agent’s help - but this reveals that you are interested

Furthermore, the actual communication goes **directly** between the parties and it is **encrypted data** - for which the operators of the networks over which it passes over do **not** have the key



Will VoIP calls have to:

Be stored for **compliance** reasons?

Be stored for **discovery** reasons?

Will they have to be **indexed**? (to make them **accessible**)

UK is proposing that top level ISPs store all records of Internet communications (date, time, sender/ caller, receiver/callee, URL, cell ID, IP address(es), routing, duration, ...) to make it *convenient* for the government to access them, because they do not want to have to pay each of the individual ISPs, and to limit the number of parties that they have to deal with.
(See EU Data Retention Directive (EUDRD).)



Consider the case of key escrow

The key used to encrypt the **media** or the **signaling** can be escrowed with another party (either inside the same organization or outside of it)

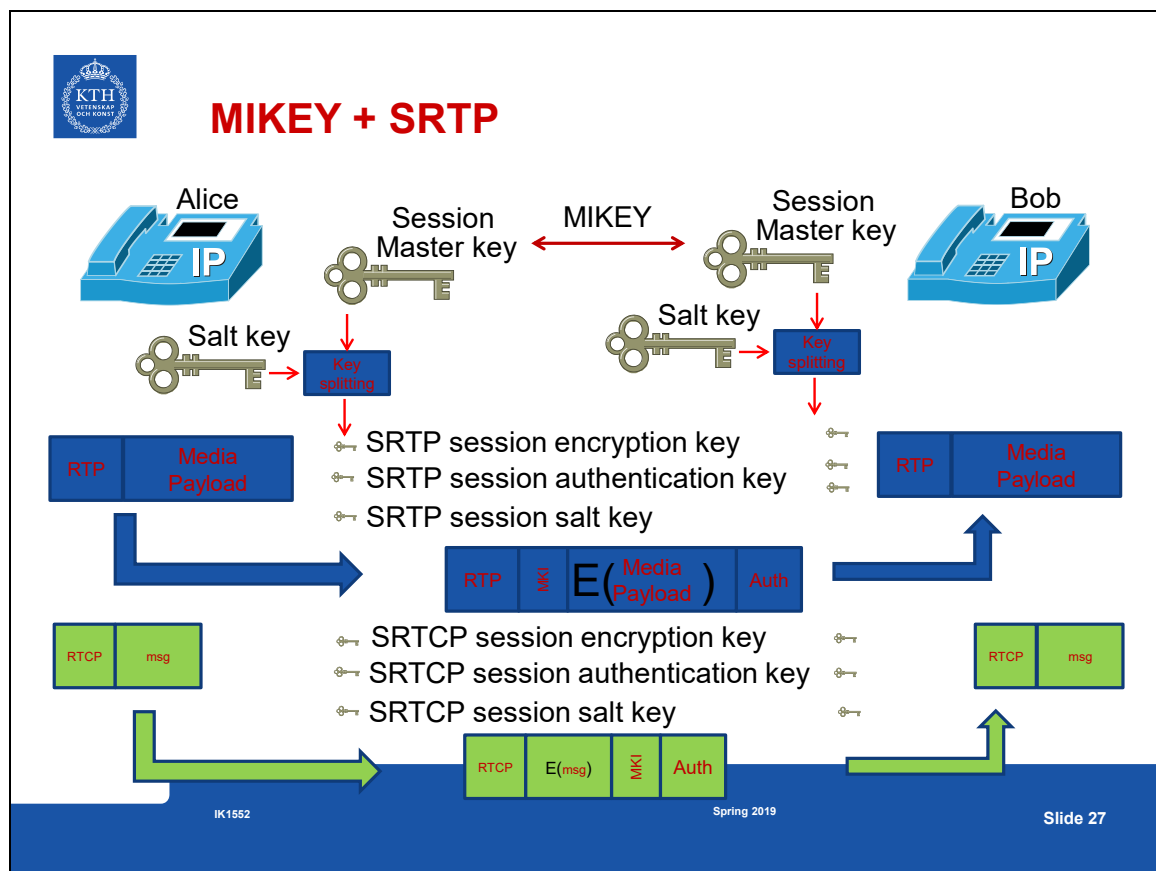
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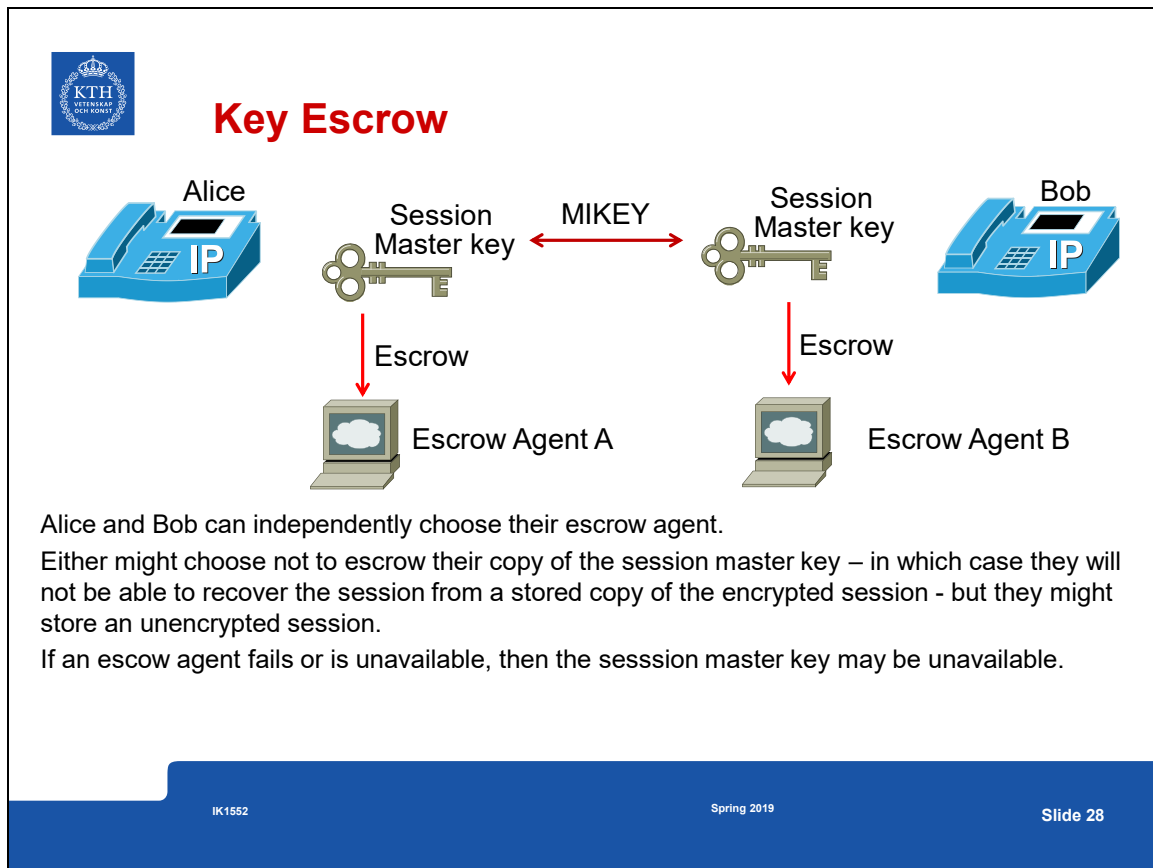
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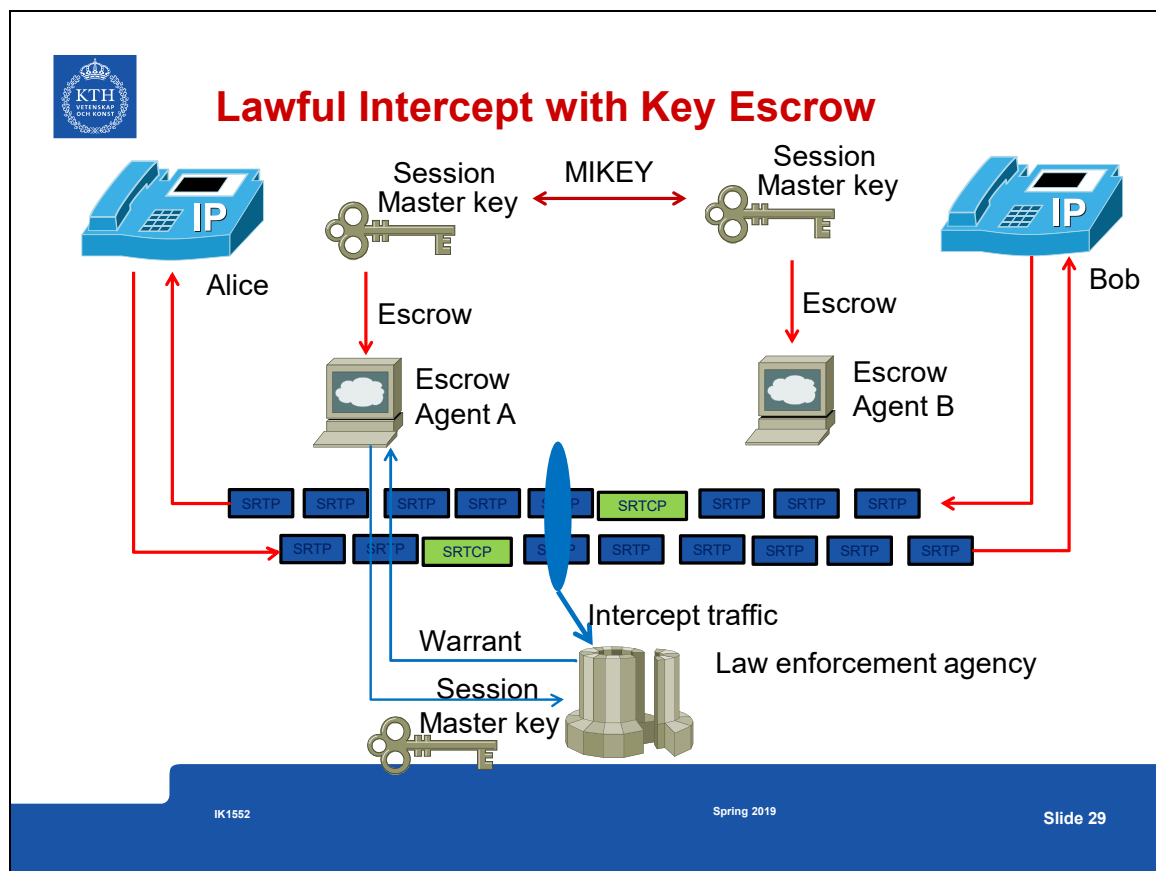
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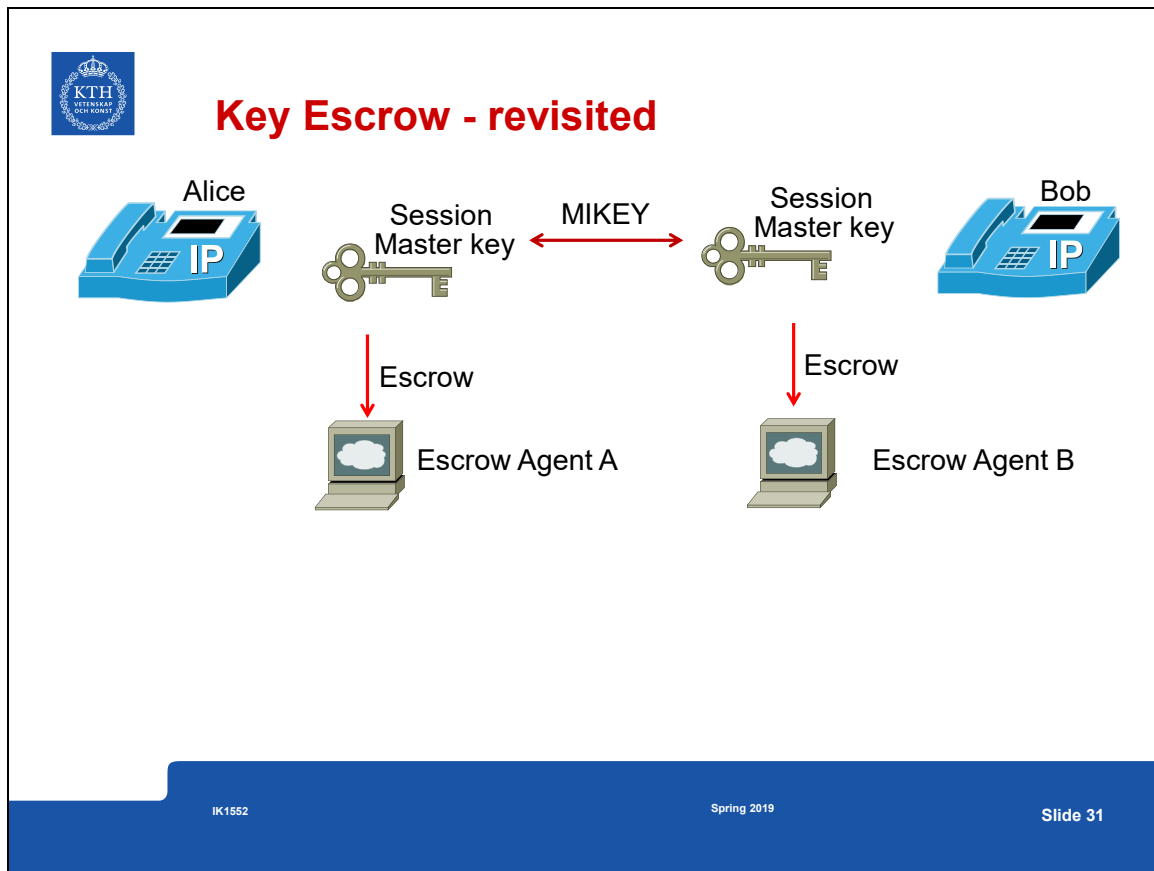


Problems with Lawful Intercept with Key Escrow

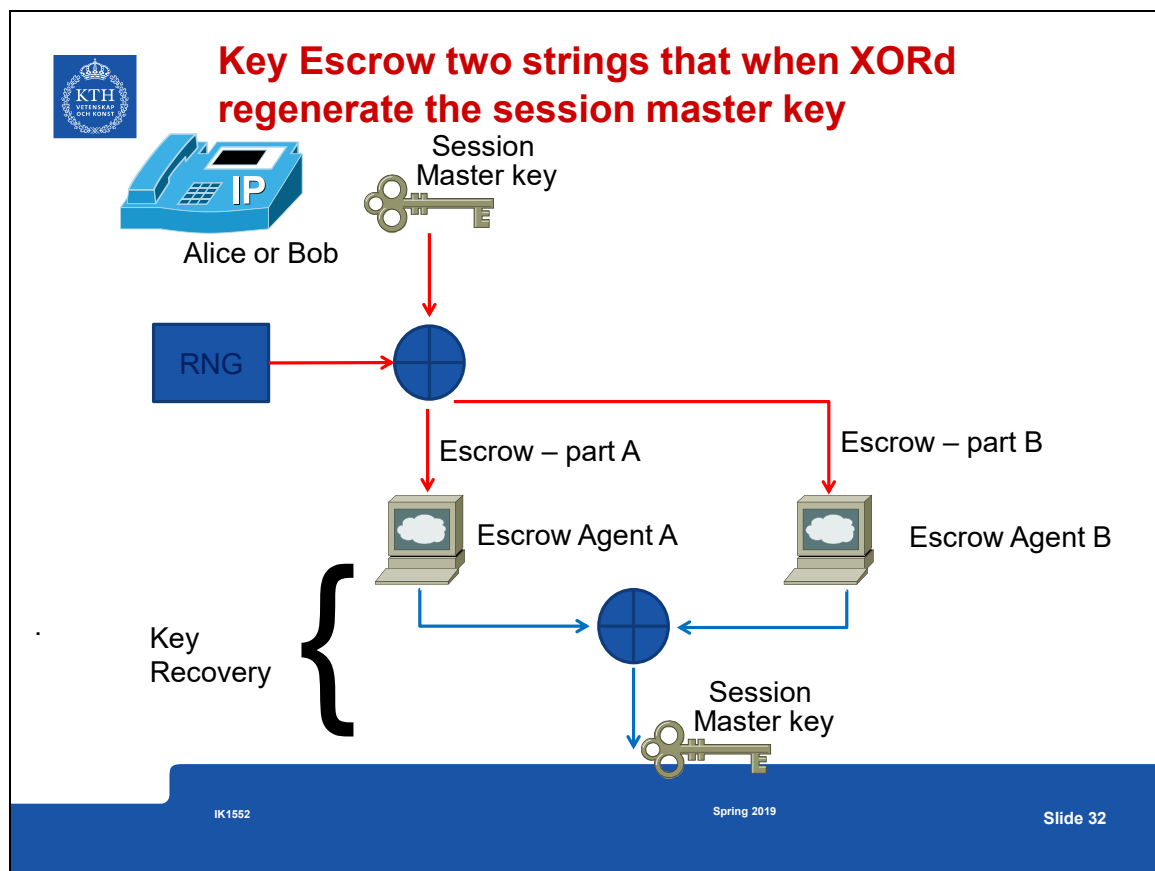
Once any one gains access to the session master key they have access to all of the media streams and the control information (contained in the RTCP).

⇒ Given this session master key, a malicious party can fabricate contents of a media stream, create completely fictitious new media stream(s), fabricate control messages, etc.

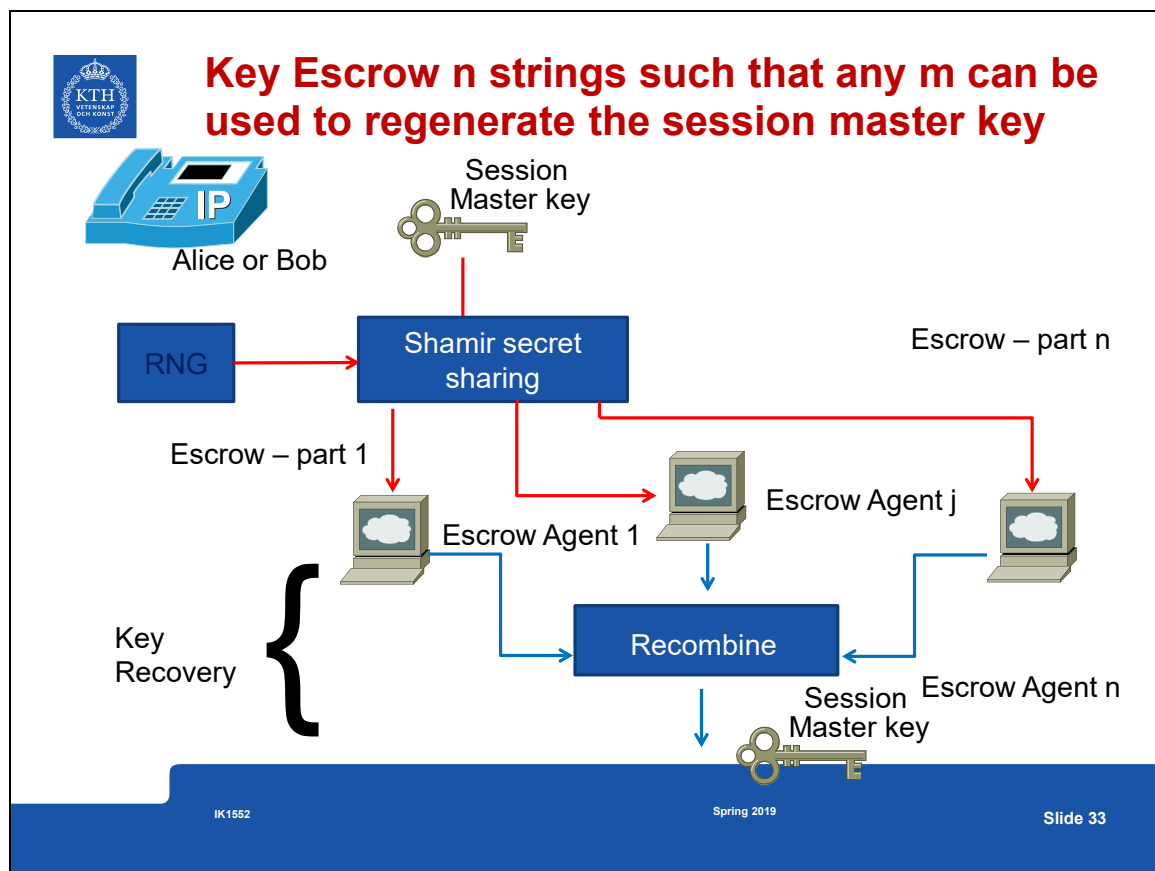
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Evaluation of Key Escrow n of m

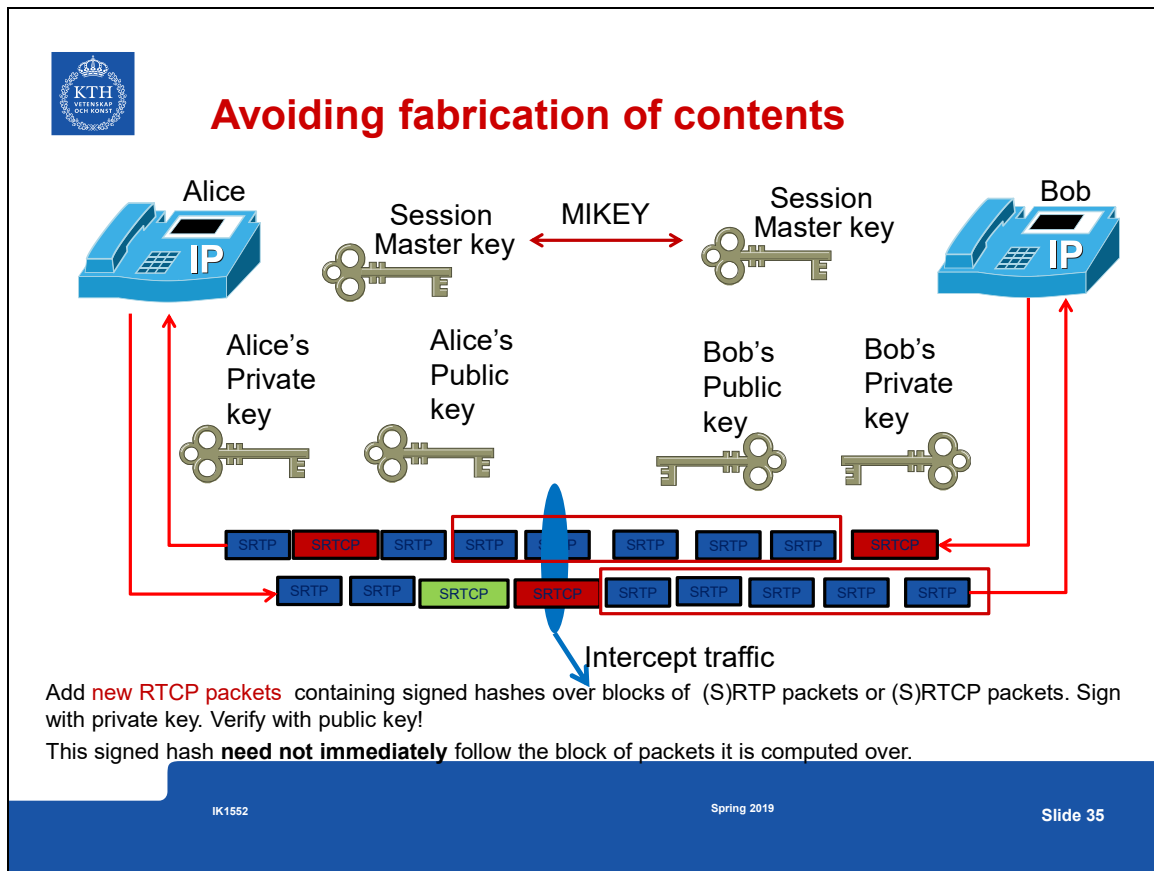
A user agent need only wait for n of the m keys to be escrowed – the rest can be escrowed in the background at a later time.

Key recovery can be done despite $m-n$ escrow agents failing or being unavailable.

Key recovery can be done as soon as n escrow agents have answered.

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Avoiding fabrication of contents

Sign blocks of the encrypted call session

- ⇒ The parties to the call can prove which content is or is not part of their call
- ⇒ There is no need to make the signing key public, only the corresponding public key is needed – this could be published in a public place/record for later use.

This potentially leaks private key bits due to the large number of signatures! However, it is not clear what rate this leakage occurs at (especially with video conferencing).



Strict source routing

Explicitly routing a packet along a set of IP addresses, each forwards the packet after removing its own address



Onion Routing

Logically: To send a message the sender computes a path through the network, then repeatedly moves each hop's addressing information (starting with the final destination) into an encrypted envelop and encrypts this header with the public key of the router that forwards it for the next hop):

$$E_header_{first_hop} (E_header_{d-l} \dots (E_header_{d-2} (E_header_{d-1} E_message)) \dots)$$

Each router forwards the packet after removing its own address and decrypting the header with the destination address of the next hop (this header was encrypted with its public key – hence it uses its own private key for decryption).

Each router only decrypts what it receives and learns only the next hop destination

One version of this is Tor which uses a series of relays:

<https://www.torproject.org/>



Hiding your location – even when you are the destination in Tor

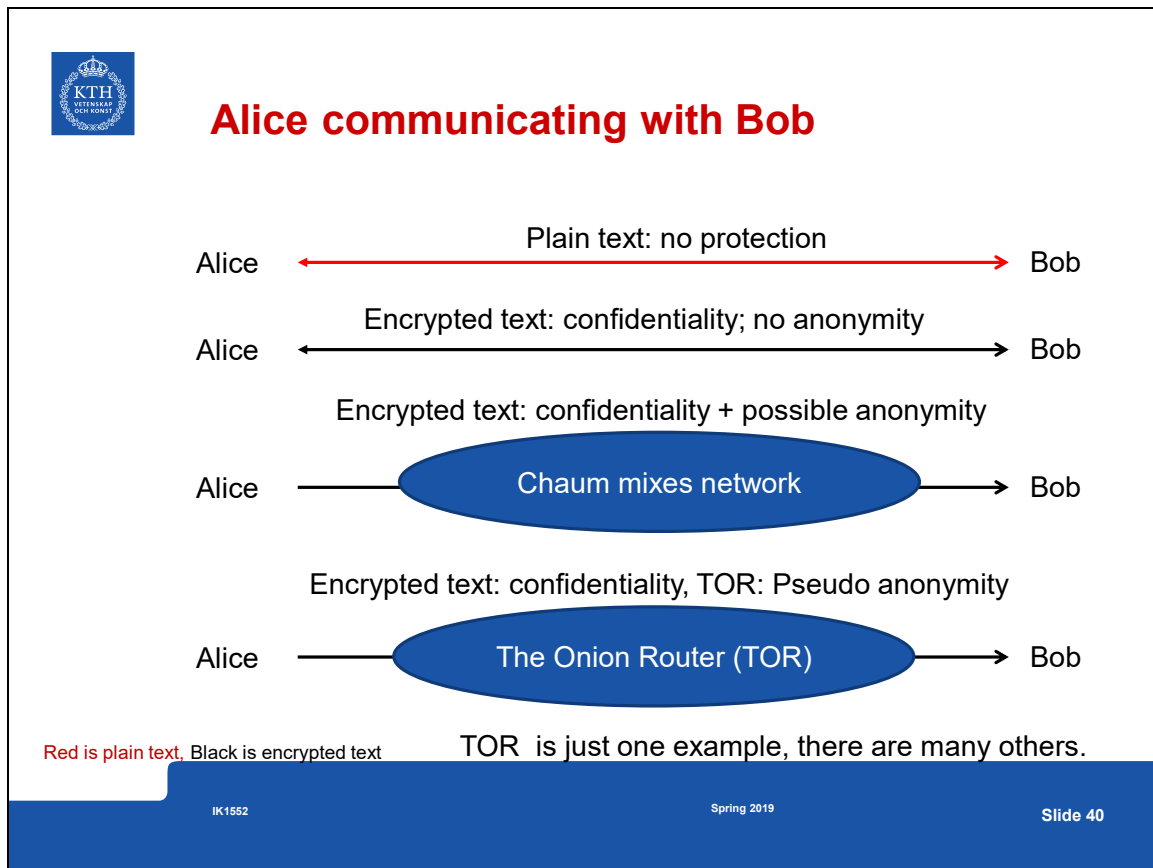
The destination introduces an agent for itself – now it can modify the path through Tor from this destination to itself.

If the source also introduces an agent for itself – it is possible to have bi-directional communication where neither of the parties knows the location of the other! However, they can authenticate each other and prevent anyone else from (easily) learning their location.

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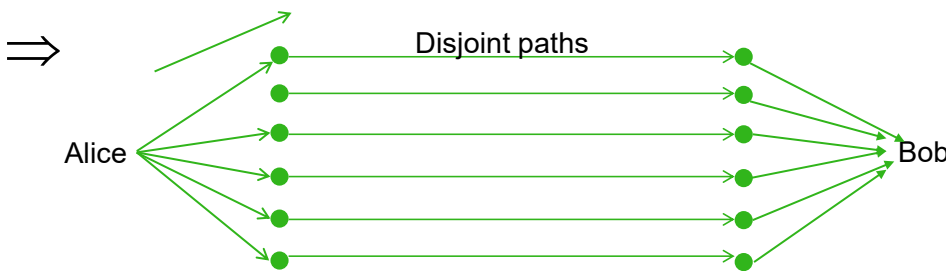


Information Slicing: Anonymity Using Unreliable Overlays [Katti2007]

Encoded but not encrypted text: confidentiality & anonymity (for Alice)



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Green is Encoded (but not encrypted) text

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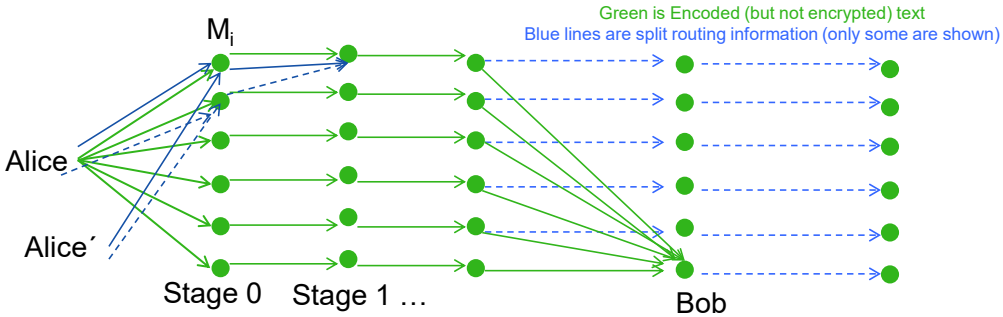
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Address Slicing: Confidentiality used to inform routers of their next hop



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Blue lines are split routing information (only some are shown)


Phase 1: Alice uses a second IP address (Alice') to send routing messages to each of the routers (M_i) – with each message containing only some of the necessary forwarding information. M_i does not know the address of Alice or Alice' after stage 0. The split routing messages tell M_i the next node to route certain packets to.

Phase 2: Traffic is being sent to all of nodes, but Alice knows which paths lead to Bob, hence she can see that her message can be sliced together again by Bob.

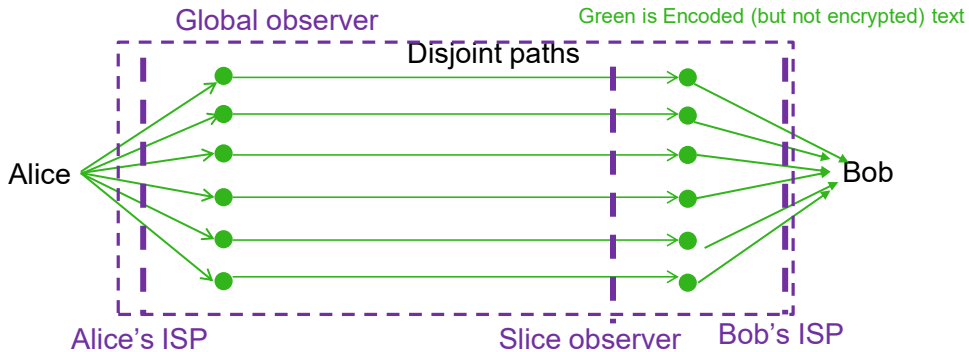
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Information Slicing: Confidentiality vulnerability



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Each of the vertical dashed lines cross all of the paths, hence all of the information needed to decode Alice's message is available, hence there is no confidentiality to these entities.

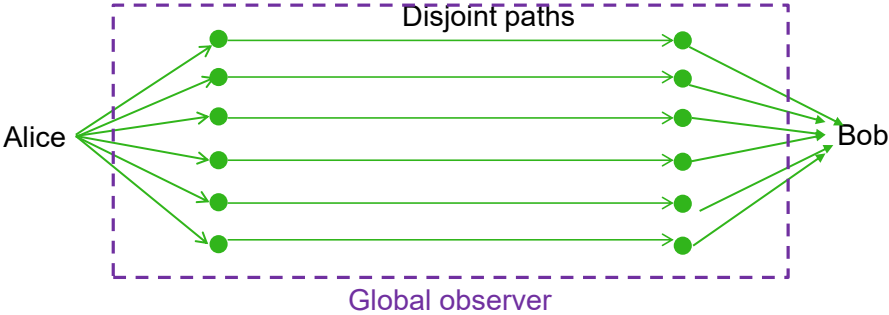
Katti, Cohen, and Katabi – **assumed** no global attacker (i.e., only a fraction of the paths can be observed) and the ISP is trusted.

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Questioning assumption #1

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Katti, Cohen, and Katabi – **assumed** that there was no **global** attacker (i.e., only a fraction of the paths can be observed) – however, the limited number of backbone providers, the high bandwidth of fiber (with in some cases **sharing** of fibers by **different** carriers), and the Snowden documents ⇒ this may **not** be a good assumption in practice.

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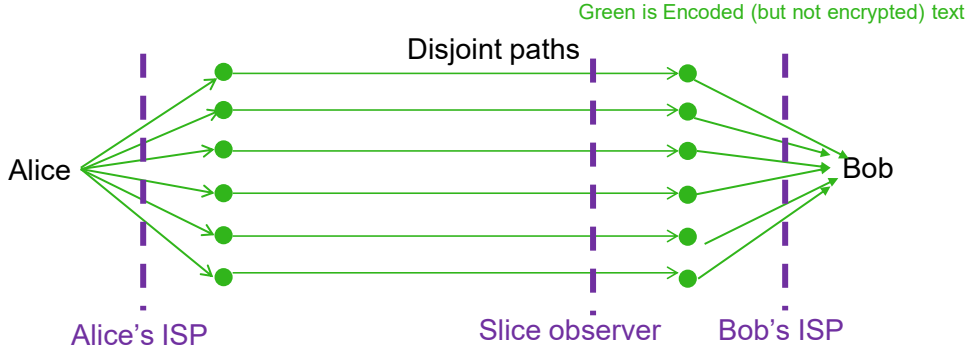
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Questioning assumption #2

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Disjoint paths

Alice Alice's ISP Slice observer Bob's ISP Bob

Katti, Cohen, and Katabi – **assumed** that each end user's ISP is trusted – however, the limited number of ISPs and the existence of lawful intercept requirements (by the local governments) \Rightarrow this may **not** be a good assumption in practice.
In some cases a slice observer may also be feasible.

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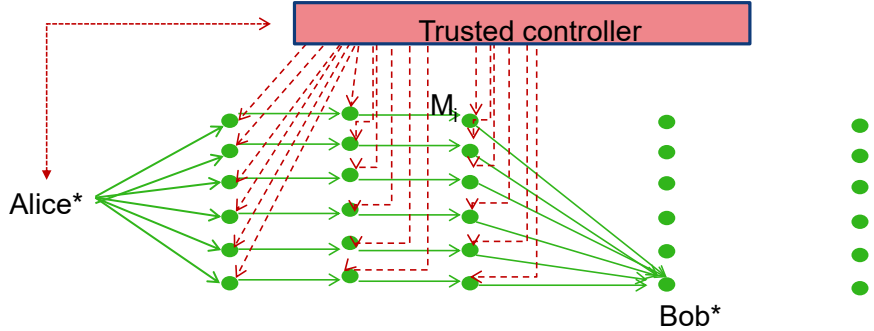
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Using SDN with a Trusted controller



Phase 1: Alice sends an encrypted routing request to the SDN's trusted controller indicating that she wants a set of disjoint paths to Bob. The controller sends encrypted instructions to set up forwarding paths to each of the switches and tells Alice how to address her packets to enter these paths.


Phase 2: Alice sends her sliced message to Bob along these paths. Bob puts the slices of her message together.

Alice* and Bob* in the figure represent trusted proxies – to which the actual Alice and Bob each tunnel to/from securely (to deal with untrusted ISPs)

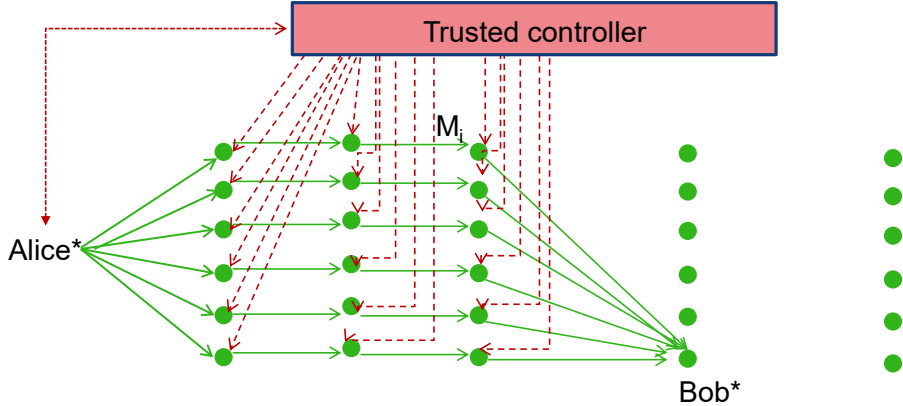
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using SDNs to create anonymity networks (ala TOR or I2P) using a distributed controller. A goal would be to avoid differential timing attacks by varying the paths taken by packets from the real source to the real destination so that one does not get stationary traffic patterns that can be subject to differential delay analysis. The goal of such anonymity/pseudonymity networks to decouple source information from destination information (in a similar manner to the three hop TOR or N+/-M hop manner of I2P)

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Using SDN with a Trusted controller (continued)




Option 1: The SDN's trusted controller can do a cryptographic sort of the paths at different times, so that changes to the switches are not a function of Alice's requests to the controller.

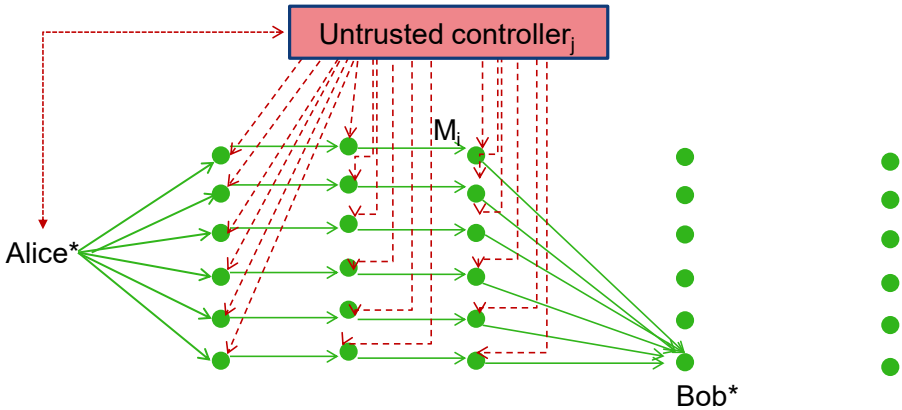
Option 2: If Alice knows Bob's public key or provides Bob with a private key, then Alice can send encrypted traffic – rather than sliced traffic. Can this be combined with option 1 to avoid the possibility of differential attacks against the SDN?

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Using SDN: Untrusted controllers



Can a set of untrusted controllers be used to avoid the need to trust the controller?

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Location based services

Location based services (LBS) build upon the requirement that cellular terminals be able to be located (justified by safety purposes).

Location by the device itself or by the network

Laws regulating access to location data



Location privacy

Preserving location privacy while making use of location based services:

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Black phones

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<https://www.blackphone.ch/>

FreedomPop's PrivacyPhone aka the "Snowden Phone"

<http://www.freedompop.com/theprivacyphone>

Boeing's Black phone –smartphone with "self-destruct"

<http://www.boeing.com/boeing/defense-space/ic/black/index.page>

DarkMatter's KATIM phone: <https://darkmatter.ae/products/secure-communications/#products>

<https://www.securegroup.com/secure-phone-encrypted-communication-mobile-device/>

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Communications and Privacy

There are a variety of ways to:

- Protect the confidentiality of the content
- Hide the sender's location & identity
- Encryption as the **norm** ?
 - As all speech and other media will be in digital form, encryption and authentication of all communication (if the participants want to)
 - traditional "public telephony" **less** secure than when using: VPNs, SRTP, MIKEY, ...
- Identity hiding
 - Authentication when you **mutually** want to
 - Mobile presence has to be done carefully
 - Anonymous network access What additional techniques are needed to support:
 - Traffic & Traffic pattern hiding?
 - What other paths does Alice have to communicate that do **not** pass through ISP_i (i.e., Can Alice exploit multiple ISPs to avoid problems with assumption #2).

Whom do you trust? Why?



Thoughts to take away

“Just because you're paranoid doesn't mean they aren't after you”

— Joseph Heller, Catch-22

“It's Not Paranoia If They Really Are Out to Get You”

— common saying, see for example:

<http://www.securityweek.com/its-not-paranoia-if-they-really-are-out-get-you>



¿Questions?

For further details about VoIP see
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