

# 1. Authentication Protocol

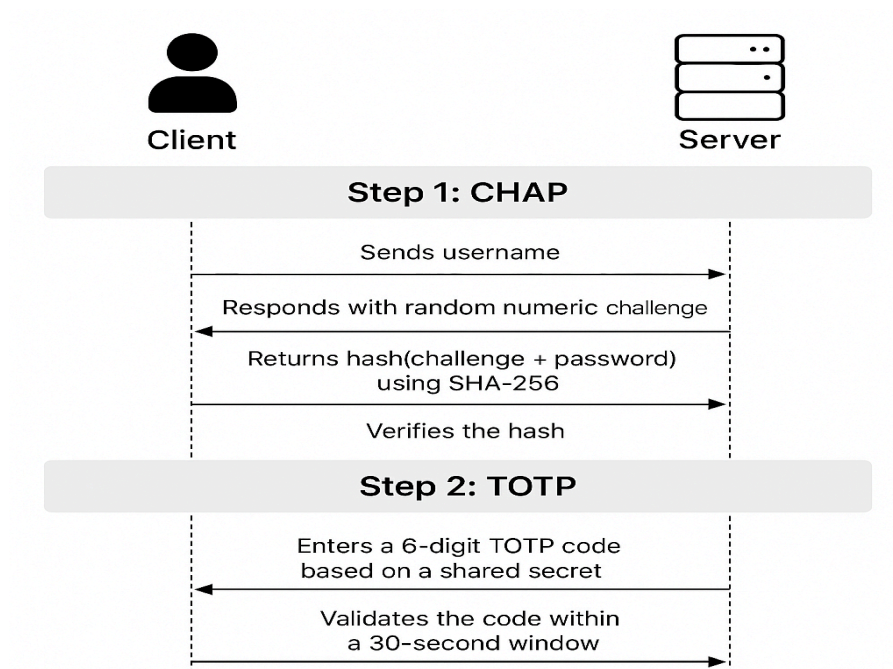
## Step 1: CHAP

- The client sends its username.
- The server responds with a random numeric challenge.
- The client returns  $\text{hash}(\text{challenge} + \text{password})$  using SHA-256.
- The server verifies the hash.

## Step 2: TOTP

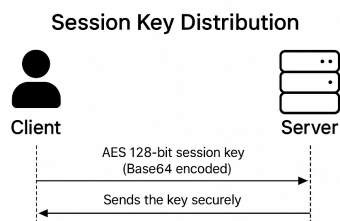
- The client enters a 6-digit TOTP code based on a shared secret.
- The server validates the code within a 30-second window.

If both steps pass, the session is authenticated.



## 2. Session Establishment

- The server generates an AES 128-bit session key.
- It sends the key (Base64 encoded) securely to the client.
- This key is used to encrypt all subsequent messages using AES/GCM/NoPadding.



## 3. Secure Communication

- Messages are converted into structured JSON objects.
- Each message includes:
  - *client\_id*
  - *message* or *ports*
  - *timestamp*
  - *nonce* (UUID)
  - *hmac* (signed using the session key)
- The server decrypts, validates the HMAC, and checks for nonce reuse.

### Secure JSON Message Format

```
client_id: alice
timestamp 2025-05-07T12:34:56Z
nonce UUID
message or ports
hmac
```

Encrypt with AES-GCM

## 4. Logging and Analysis

- All alerts are logged with tamper-evident hashing:
  - Each log line includes `|| hash(previous_entry + current_entry)`
  - Stored in `secure_log.txt` and `port_report_log.txt`
- Port scan results are analyzed and flagged if they:
  - Are high-numbered ports
  - Do not match known safe ports/processes
  - Appear to be a port flood (15+ ports in < 60 seconds)
- Analysis verdict is sent back to client in JSON format.

