

## VERIFICATION OF SECURITY PROTOCOLS IN PROVERIF AND TAMARIN

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### Introduction

- These talks are about modelling and verifying security protocols.
- Modelling a protocol in Tamarin or ProVerif is a great way to understanding
- How this can be useful to you:
  - Analyzing a system: modelling in Tamarin or ProVerif is a great way to find bugs.
  - Proposing a protocol: formal models makes the design precise and increase confidence in its security.

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- Part 1: An information introduction to protocols
  - How the Internet works
  - Simple protocols in Alice and Bob notation.
  - Some protocol examples: NSP, Station-to-Station protocol, TLS, Wireguard.
  - Lots of security properties for protocols: security, authentication, forwards secrets, key impersonation security, post compromise security, ...
- Part 2: Formal methods
  - $\lambda$ -calculus, IMP, CCS,
  - pi-calculus: syntax, semantics and bisimulation
  - Case study: modelling an anonymous P2P system in pi-calculus

### Lecture 2: Tamarin and ProVerif

- Part 1: ProVerif
  - The applied pi-calculus
  - The Proverif tool
  - Case study: traceability for e-passports
  - Case study: a protocols for pacemakers
- Part 2: Tamarin
  - The Tamarin Prover
  - How Tamarin works
  - Case study: Checking the WPA spec.

### Lecture 3: EMV

- Part 1:
  - An overview of the EMV protocols.
  - Relay attacks
  - Distance bounding protections in applied pi-calculus and Tamarin
- Part 2:
  - More EMV!
  - An attack against Apple Pay
  - Lots of formal models.

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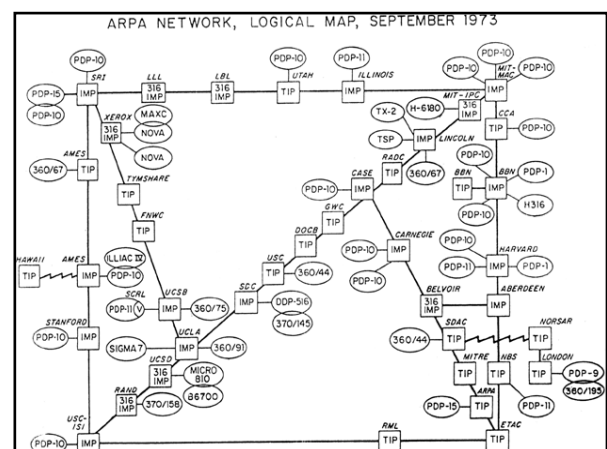
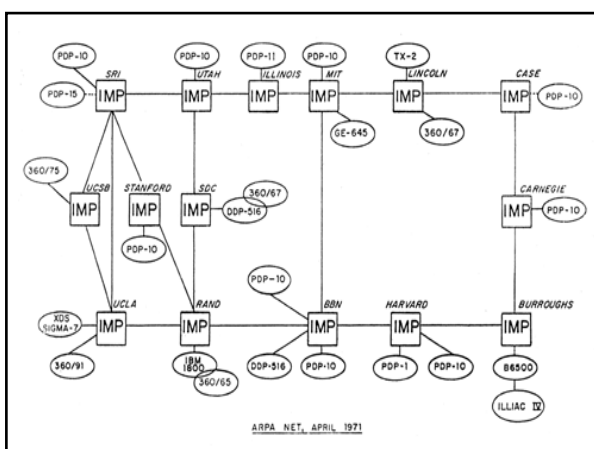
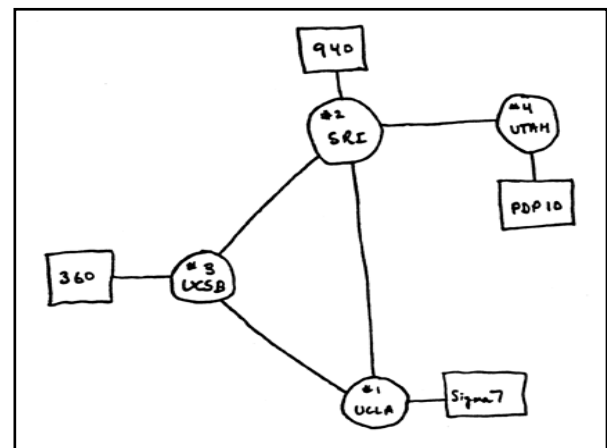
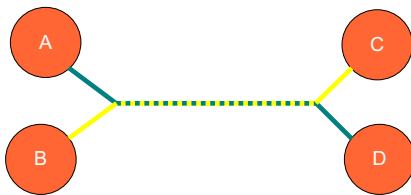
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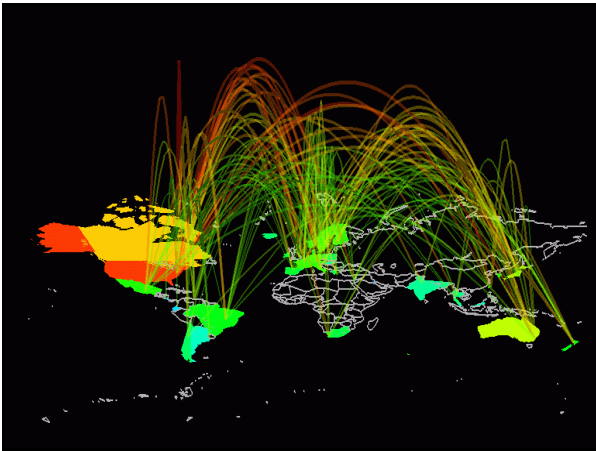
The US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (then ARPA now DARPA) gives research grants to universities to buy computers.

They decide to link their computers.

But how?

But if everyone just sends a small packet of data, they can both use the line at the same.





## Birmingham to the Washington Post

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wallace% traceroute washingtonpost.com
traceroute to washingtonpost.com (54.231.80.90), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
 1 hawke-rw.cs.bham.ac.uk (147.188.193.6) 28.253 ms 28.237 ms 28.229 ms
 2 * * *
 3 hscn-gw.cs.bham.ac.uk (147.188.199.1) 1.129 ms 1.336 ms 1.324 ms
 4 cs-ac00b7e1-2.bham.ac.uk (147.188.121.129) 0.718 ms 1.020 ms 1.046 ms
 5 cs-cc00-ve701.bham.ac.uk (147.188.123.57) 0.991 ms cs-cc00-tb.bham.ac.uk
 6 fw-sr000-trust.bham.ac.uk (147.188.123.9) 0.917 ms 0.525 ms 0.844 ms
 7 gw-sr001-ve10.bham.ac.uk (147.188.123.5) 0.835 ms 0.833 ms 1.391 ms
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14 ae-1-60.edge3.Washington1.Level3.net (4.69.149.17) 84.511 ms ae-4-90.edge
15 AMAZON.COM.edge3.Washington1.Level3.net (4.59.144.174) 84.429 ms 84.272
16 72.21.220.131 (72.21.220.131) 85.204 ms 72.21.220.123 (72.21.220.123) 85
17 205.251.245.168 (205.251.245.168) 85.329 ms 85.802 ms 86.399 ms
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## BT and Vodafone among telecoms companies passing details to GCHQ

Fears of customer backlash over breach of privacy as firms give GCHQ unlimited access to their undersea cables

The document identified for the first time which telecoms companies are working with GCHQ's "special source" team. It gives top secret codenames for each firm, with BT ("Remedy"), Verizon Business ("Dacron"), and Vodafone Cable ("Gerontic"). The other firms include Global Crossing ("Pinnacle"), Level 3 ("Little"), Viatel ("Vitrous") and Interoute ("Streetcar"). The companies refused to comment on any specifics relating to Tempora, but several noted they were obliged to comply with UK and EU law.

• <http://www.theguardian.com/business/2013/aug/02/telecoms-bt-vodafone-cables-gchq>

## Redirected traffic to UK Atomic Weapons Establishment

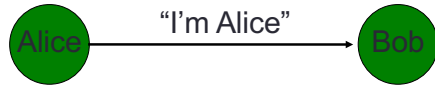


## Dolev-Yao Attacker model

- Attack owns the network.
- They can intercept, replay, cut up and rearrange any messages.
- It's impossible to tell where a message came from. Attack can fake message.
- BUT the crypto is unbreakable and correct!

## A Simple Protocol

"A" sends message "M" to "B":



written as:

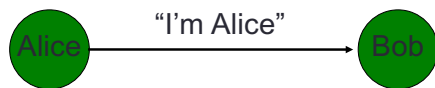
Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob : "I'm Alice"

## Rules

We write down protocols as a list of messages sent between "principals", e.g.

1.  $A \rightarrow B$  : "Hello"
2.  $B \rightarrow A$  : "Offer"
3.  $A \rightarrow B$  : "Accept"

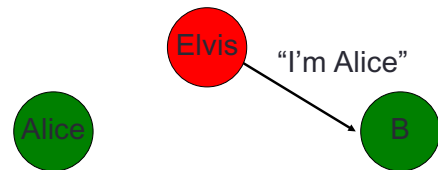
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Message "I'm Alice" can be read by "The Attacker".

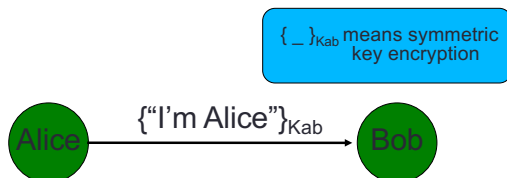
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"The Attacker" can pretend to be anyone.

$E(A) \rightarrow B$  : "I'm Alice"

## A Simple Protocol



$A \rightarrow B$  :  $\{ \text{"I'm Alice"} \}_{Kab}$

If Alice and Bob share a key "Kab", then Alice can encrypt her message.

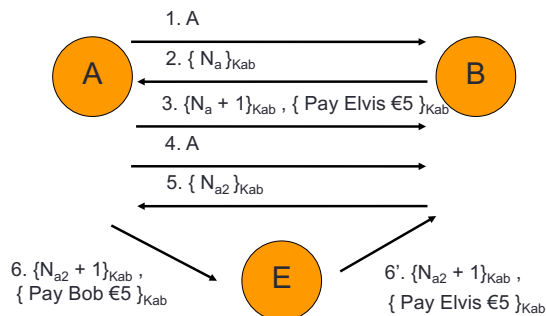
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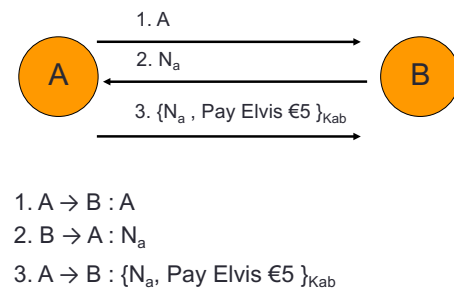
Attacker can intercept and replay messages.

Assume the attacker "owns" the network.

### A Nonce



### A Better Protocol



### Key Establishment Protocol

This protocol was possible because A and B shared a key.

Often the principals need to set up a session key using a "Key Establishment Protocol".

They must either know each others public keys or use a "Trusted Third Party" (TTP).

### Protocol Goals

- Keep the **keys set up secret** and ensure they are **fresh**.

### The Needham-Schroeder Public Key Protocol

Assume Alice and Bob know each others public keys, can they set up a symmetric key?

- $A \rightarrow B : E_B(N_a, A)$
- $B \rightarrow A : E_A(N_a, N_b)$
- $A \rightarrow B : E_B(N_b)$

$E_x(\_)$  means public key encryption

$N_a$  and  $N_b$  can then be used to generate a symmetric key

### An Attack Against the Needham-Schroeder Protocol

The attacker acts as a man-in-the-middle:

- $A \rightarrow C : E_C(N_a, A)$ 
  - $C(A) \rightarrow B : E_B(N_a, A)$
  - $B \rightarrow C(A) : E_A(N_a, N_b)$
- $C \rightarrow A : E_A(N_a, N_b)$
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## The Corrected Version

A very simple fix:

1.  $A \rightarrow B : E_B(N_a, A)$
2.  $B \rightarrow A : E_A(N_a, N_b, B)$
3.  $A \rightarrow B : E_B(N_b)$

## Protocol Goals

- Keys set up are **secret and fresh**.
- **Authenticate: both parties**, i.e., both are talking to who they really believe they are talking to.

## Forward Secrecy

$A \rightarrow B : E_B(N_a, A)$   
 $B \rightarrow A : E_A(N_a, N_b, B)$   
 $A \rightarrow B : E_B(N_b)$   
 $B \rightarrow A : (M)_{key(N_a, N_b)}$

Secure against the "standard" attacker.

- intercept, replay, delete, alter.

- But what about the governments?
- After the protocol runs, governments can legally force people to hand over their private keys.
- Can we protect against this?

## Forward Secrecy

- A protocol has "Forward Secrecy" if it keeps the message secret from an attacker who has:
  - A recording of the protocol run
  - The long-term keys of the principals.
- Protection against
  - a government that can force people to give up their keys,
  - or hackers that might steal them.

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## Diffie-Hellman

- Diffie-Hellman is a widely used key agreement protocol.
- It relies on some number theory:
  - $a \bmod b = n$  where for some "m" :  $a = m.b + n$
- The protocol uses two public parameters
  - generator "g" (often 160 bits long)
  - prime "p" (often 1024 bits long)

## Diffie-Hellman

- Alice and Bob pick random numbers  $r_A$  and  $r_B$  and find " $t_A = g^{r_A} \bmod p$ " and " $t_B = g^{r_B} \bmod p$ "
- The protocol just exchanges these numbers:
  - $A \rightarrow B : t_A$
  - $B \rightarrow A : t_B$
- "Alice" calculates " $t_B^{r_A} \bmod p$ " and "Bob" " $t_A^{r_B} \bmod p$ " this is the key:
  - $K = g^{r_A r_B} \bmod p$

## Diffie-Hellman

$$\begin{aligned}
 &1. A \rightarrow B : \overbrace{(g \times g \times \dots \times g)^{r_A}}^{r_A \text{ times}} \bmod p \\
 &2. B \rightarrow A : \overbrace{(g \times g \times \dots \times g)^{r_B}}^{r_B \text{ times}} \bmod p \\
 \\ 
 &\text{Alice calculates} \\
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## Station-to-Station Protocol

- $A \rightarrow B : g^x$
- $B \rightarrow A : g^y, E_A(S_B(g^y, g^x))$
- $A \rightarrow B : E_B(S_A(g^x, g^y))$
- $B \rightarrow A : \{M\}_{g^{xy}}$

$S_X(\_)$  means  
signed by X

- $x, y, g^{xy}$  are not stored after the protocol run.
- A & B's keys don't let attacker read M
- STS has forward secrecy

## A Protocol without Mutual Belief

- $A \rightarrow B : g^x$ 
  - $B(A) \rightarrow C : g^x$
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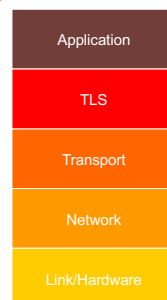
Alice thinks she is talking to Bob but is really talking to Charlie.

## The Internet Protocol Stack with TLS

The TLS layer runs between the Application and Transport layer.

The encryption is transparent to the Application layer.

Normal TCP and IP protocols etc. can be used at the low layers



## Transport Layer Security TLS 1.2

1.  $C \rightarrow S : N_C$
2.  $S \rightarrow C : N_S, Cert_S$
3.  $C \rightarrow S : E_S(K\_seed), \{Hash1\}_{K_{CS}}$
4.  $S \rightarrow C : \{Hash2\}_{K_{CS}}$

Hash 1 =  $\#(N_C, N_S, E_S(K\_seed))$

Hash 2 =  $\#(N_C, N_S, E_S(K\_seed), \{Hash1\}_{K_{CS}})$

$K_{CS}$  is a session key based key derivation function (kdf) on  $N_C, N_S$  &  $K\_seed$ ,

All data is then encrypted with  $K_{CS}$  and hashed for integrity.

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## TLS-DHE

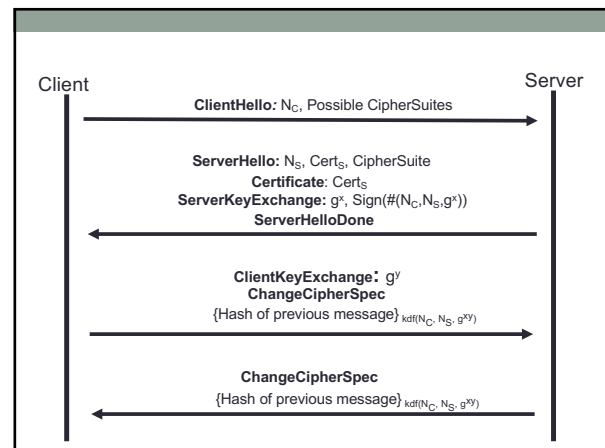
A variant uses Diffie-Hellman for "forward secrecy"

i.e., if someone gets the servers key later, they can't go back and break a recording of the traffic.

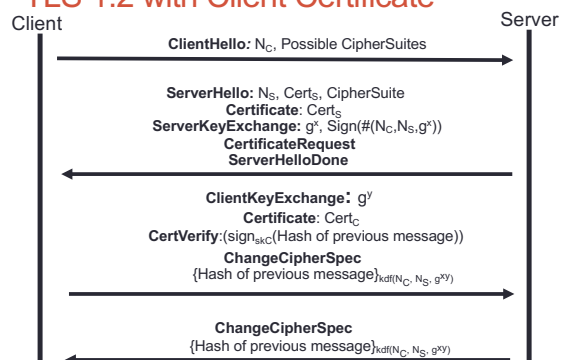
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3.  $C \rightarrow S$  :  $g^y$ ,  $\{\#(\text{All previous messages})\}_{kdf(N_C, N_S, g^{xy})}$
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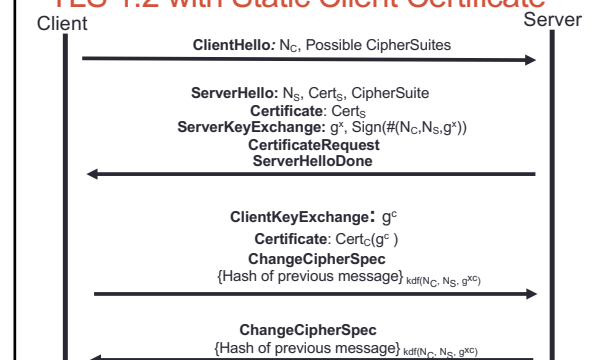
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## TLS 1.2 with Client Certificate



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## TLS 1.2 is a mess

- There are too many cipher suites.
- There are too many options.
- Due to this there have been lots of attacks against particular cipher suites, or rare options.
  - E.g. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transport\\_Layer\\_Security\\_Security](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transport_Layer_Security_Security)
- You need 2 round trips before you can start sending data.
- Many attacks based on mistakes in implementations.
  - The complexity makes this more likely.
- TLS 1.3 fixes this.

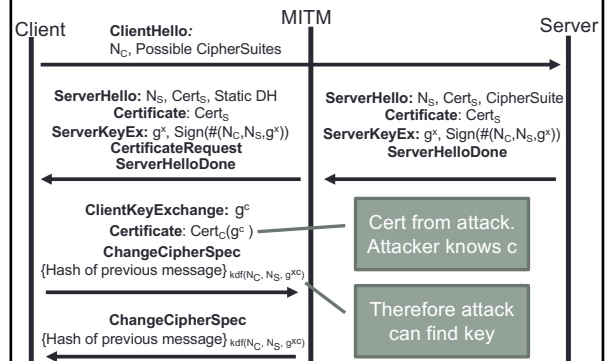
## Key Compromise Impersonation Attack

- In a KCI attack: attack can control client's key.
- The attack is successful if the attack can pretend to be any server.
- E.g. your employer says you must install a client certificate to connect to your place of work and then uses this to MITM any connection.
- This is an edge case attack: if attack can install a certificate in the trust store then TLS is trivially broken.
- TLS with static DH and Client Certificate is vulnerable to a KCI attack.

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- **Forward Secrecy**.
- **Downgrade Attacks**
- **Key Compromise Impersonation Attack**.

## TLS 1.2 KCI vs Static Client Certificate



## Protocol Goals

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- **Authenticate: both parties**, i.e., both are talking to who they really believe they are talking to.
- **Forward Secrecy**.
- **No weak cipher**.
- **Key Compromise Impersonation Attack**.
- **Protocol should not be complex or have lots of different modes**.

## Authenticated Encryption with Additional Data (AEAD)

- Authenticated Encryption stops an attack changing an encrypted message.
  - E.g. AES with CCM mode = CTR mode encryption + a CBC-MAC
- But this doesn't stop an attack messing with messages e.g.

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Bob checks "1:"  
in 1st message

Alice checks "2:"  
in 2nd message

### Authenticated Encryption with Additional Data (AEAD)

- AEAD rolls this extra check into the encryption process.

$\text{AEAD}(\text{key}, \text{counter/iv}, \text{plaintext}, \text{additional data}) = \text{ciphertext}$

E.g.

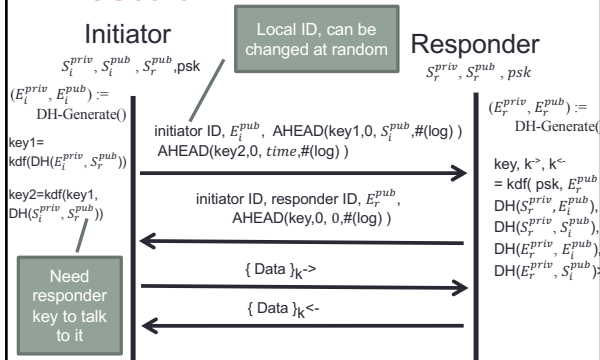
1. A → B:  $\text{AEAD}(K_{ab}, 0, N_a, \text{"Message 1"})$   
 2. B → A:  $\text{AEAD}(K_{ab}, 0, N_b, \text{"Message 2"})$   
 3. A → B:  $\text{AEAD}(N_a \text{ xor } N_b, 0, \text{<plaintext>, "data"})$

This means one less check through the data.

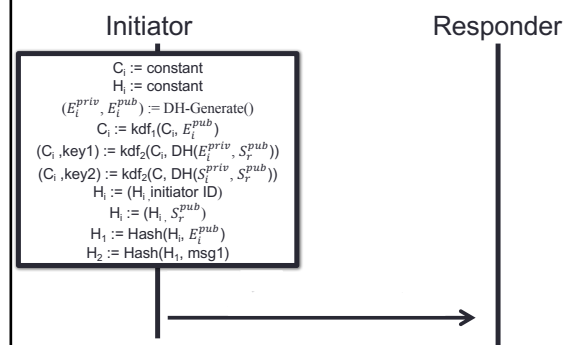
### WireGuard: a VPN protocol

- Based on the noise protocol framework by Trevor Perrin
  - Just like the signal chat app protocol
- The initiator and the responder have long term EC Diffie Hellman keys
  - They also use short term session EC Diffie Hellman keys.
    - Double Diffie Hellman!
    - The initiator must know the public DH key of the responder.
    - Doc use e.g.  $S_r^{\text{pub}}$  for n.P,  $S_r^{\text{priv}}$  for n and  $\text{DH}(E_r^{\text{priv}}, S_r^{\text{pub}})$  for  $(E_r^{\text{priv}}, n)$ .
- The initiator and the responder both maintain a hash values **H** and a cipher value **C**.
- Keys are generated from the cipher object e.g.  $\text{key} = \text{kdf}(\mathbf{C})$

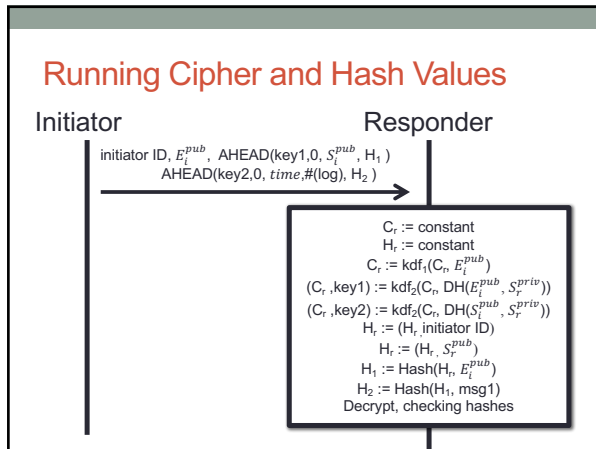
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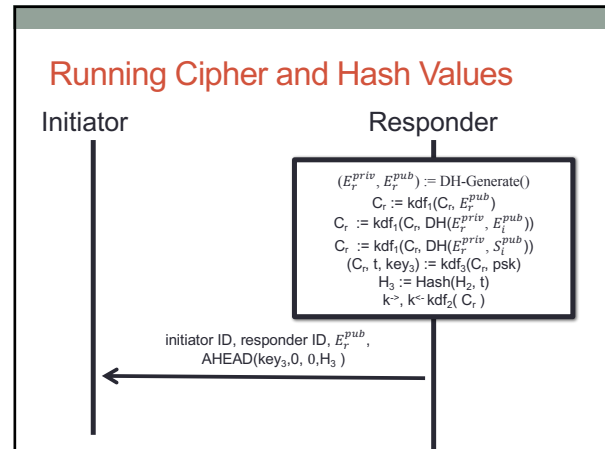
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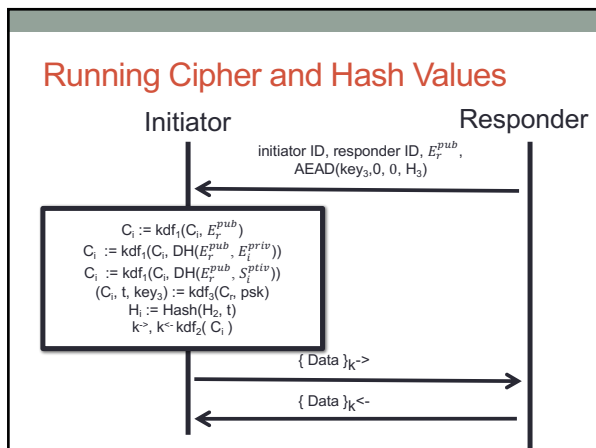
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## Rekeying

After 2mins or  $2^{60}$  messages  
the handshake runs again

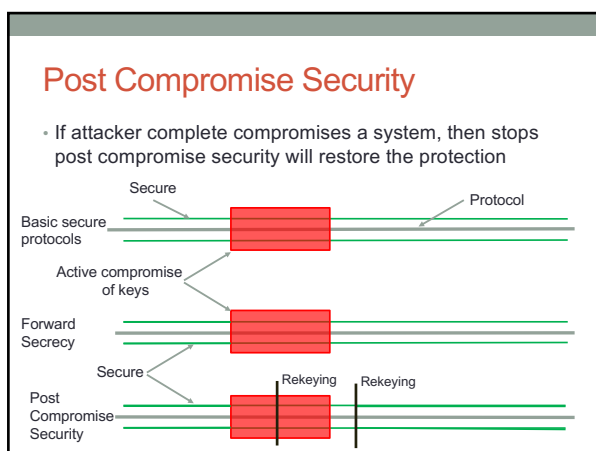
- New ephemeral DH keys
- Cipher and hash values not reset.

Symbol	Value
REKEY-AFTER-MESSAGES	$2^{60}$ messages
REJECT-AFTER-MESSAGES	$2^{64} - 2^{19} = 1$ messages
REKEY-AFTER-TIME	120 seconds
REJECT-AFTER-TIME	180 seconds
REKEY-ATTEMPT-TIME	90 seconds
REKEY-TIMEOUT	5 seconds
KEEPALIVE-TIMEOUT	10 seconds

- If the attacker gets key, they will loose access after rekeying, unless they actively MITM the handshake.
- Also stops attack getting a large amount of traffic encrypted with the same key.
  - Stops side channel attacks
  - Or yet to be discovered crypto attacks

## Post Compromise Security

- If attacker complete compromises a system, then stops post compromise security will restore the protection



## Protocol Goals

- Keys set up are **secret and fresh**.
- **Authenticate: both parties**, i.e., both are talking to who they really believe they are talking to.
- **Forward Secrecy**.
- **Downgrade Attacks**.
- **Key Compromise Impersonation Attack**.
- **Protocol should not be complex or have lots of different modes**.
- **Post compromise security**.
- ... ..

### Summary:

- Attacker model: Crypto works, but all messages can be intercepted and messed with.
- Alice and Bob protocol notation.
- There are many different security properties.
  - Not all protocols will have all security properties.

### Homework (for those that want it)

- A, B and C have each others public keys.
- Design a protocol which let's them set up a shared key.
- Write your protocol in Alice and Bob notation.
- Don't look online!