Security Protocols and Verification

Design and Analysis of Cryptographic Protocols

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1 Assumptions

We assume that at the beginning of the protocol agents A and B know the public key $K_{pub(C)}$ of any agent C. Moreover, we assume that all agents C shared a symmetric key with a trusted server S, named K_{CS} . N_a is a nonce generated by A, and N_b is a nonce generated by B. τ and λ respectively denote a timestamp and a lifetime. A generates K_{AB} with perfect randomness at each session.

2 Protocol: First Attempt

- 1. $A \to S : \{|A, B, N_a, K_{AB}|\}_{K_{AS}}$
- 2. $S \to A : \left\{ \left| S, A, N_a + 1, \{ |A, B, K_{AB}, N_a, \tau, \lambda | \}_{K_{BS}} \right| \right\}_{K_{AS}}$
- 3. $A \rightarrow B : \{|A,B,K_{AB},N_a,\tau,\lambda,|\}_{K_{BS}}$
- 4. $B \to S : \{|B, A, N_b|\}_{K_{BS}}$
- 5. $S \to B : \{|S, B, N_b + 1, h(K_{AB}, N_b)|\}_{K_{BS}}$
- 6. $B \to A : \{B, A, N_a + 1, h(K_{AB}, N_b)\}_{pub(A)}$
- 7. $A \to B : \{A, B, N_b + 1, h(K_{AB}, N_a)\}_{pub(B)}$

3 Fourth Attempt

1.
$$A \to S : \{|A, B, N_a, K_{AB}|\}_{K_{AS}}$$

2.
$$S \to A : \left\{ \left| A, N_a + 1, \{ |A, B, N_a, \tau, \lambda, K_{AB}| \}_{K_{BS}} \right| \right\}_{K_{AS}}$$

3.
$$A \rightarrow B : \{|A, B, N_a, \tau, \lambda, K_{AB}|\}_{K_{BS}}$$

4.
$$B \to A : \{B, A, N_a + 1, h(K_{AB}, N_a)\}_{pub(A)}$$

4 Protocol: Pub and Priv

1.
$$A \to B : \{ \{A, N_A, K_{AB}\}_{priv(A)} \}_{pub(B)}$$

2.
$$B \to A : \left\{ \{B, N_A + 1, h(K_{AB})\}_{priv(B)} \right\}_{pub(A)}$$

This *perfect* protocol does not conform to the requirement equations.

5 Protocol: pub + Kab

1.
$$A \to B : \{ \{A, N_A, K_{AB} \}_{pub(B)} \}$$

2.
$$B \to A : \{\{B, N_A, N_B\}_{pub(A)}\}$$

3.
$$A \to B : \{ \{A, N_B\}_{Kab} \}$$

4.
$$B \to A : \{\{B, N_A\}_{Kab}\}$$

6 Protocol: pub only

1.
$$A \to B : \{ \{A, N_A, K_{AB} \}_{pub(B)} \}$$

2.
$$B \to A : \{\{N_A, N_B\}_{pub(A)}\}$$

3.
$$A \rightarrow B : \left\{ \{N_B\}_{pub(B)} \right\}$$

4.
$$B \rightarrow A : \left\{ \{h(Kab)\}_{pub(A)} \right\}$$

7 Protocol: Ely the frog

- 1. $A \to B : \{A, B, N_A\}_{pub(B)}$
- 2. $A \to S : \{|A, B, T_A, K_{AB}|\}_{K_{AS}}$
- 3. $S \to B : \{|A, B, T_S, K_{AB}|\}_{K_{BS}}$
- 4. $B \to A : \{|B, A, N_A + 1|\}_{K_{AB}}$

We can reduce the cost on the last message using the hash function:

- 1. $A \to B : \{A, B, N_A\}_{pub(B)}$
- 2. $A \to S : \{|A, B, T_A, K_{AB}|\}_{K_{AS}}$
- 3. $S \to B : \{|A, B, T_S, K_{AB}|\}_{K_{BS}}$
- 4. $B \to A : \{B, N_A + 1, h(K_{AB})\}_{pub(A)}$

8 Ely the big frog

- 1. $A \to B : \{A, \{|N_A|\}_{K_{AB}}\}_{pub(B)}$
- 2. $A \rightarrow S : \{B, \tau, \lambda, K_{AB}\}_{K_{AS}}$
- 3. $S \to B : \{A, \tau, \lambda, K_{AB}\}_{K_{BS}}$
- 4. $A \to B : \{B, N_A + 1\}_{pub(A)}$