

Cybersecurity Project

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Chapter 1

Description of the protocol

1.1 Introduction

The protocol developed in this project has been designed to guarantee secrecy, integrity and authentication. It is used by a simple client-server application which allows clients to download files stored inside the server.

The overall protocol is based on public encryption. In fact we suppose that the client already has the public key of the server stored on its filesystem. The public encryption scheme allows to authenticate the server. It also allows to exchange a secret master key which is used by symmetric ciphers to encrypt the following communications. It is also used an HMAC to guarantee integrity and nonces to guarantee freshness of communications.

1.2 Description

