

SD-WAN Secure Communications

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Agenda

- Overview
- SD-WAN New Hope Project
- Vulnerabilities
- Modern security tools



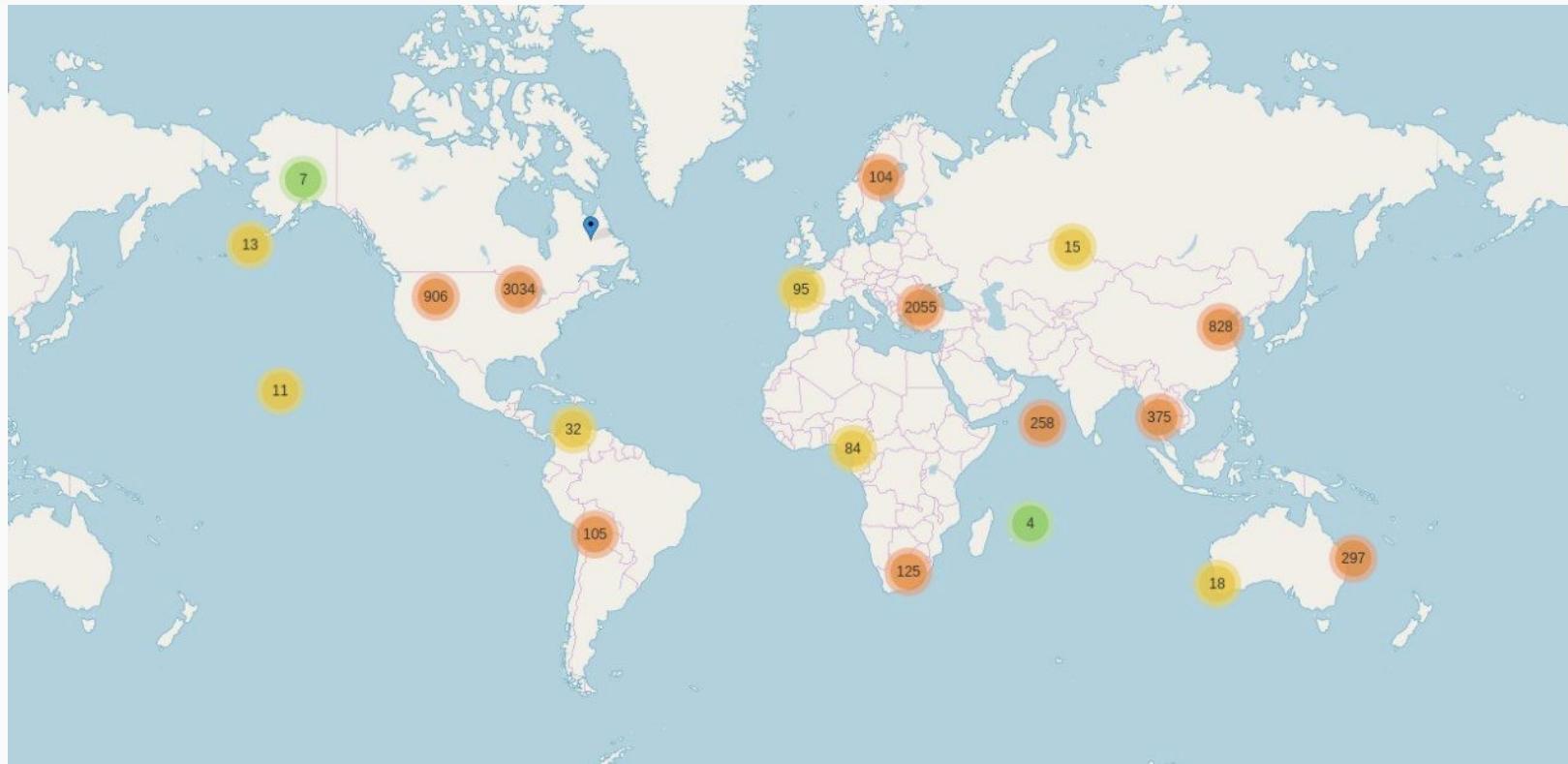
SD WAN
NEW HOPE

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SD-WAN New Hope

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 - Nikita Oleksov
 - Nikolay Tkachenko
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 - [SD-WAN Infiltrator](#)
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SD-WAN Map



Last scan: May, 2019

<https://github.com/sdnewhop/grinder/tree/master/samples/052019-sdwan>

Overview

- Security for SD-WAN is still in its infancy
- There are no known specific standards
- Vendors have to invent new crypto protocols
- The vendor-specific information for all products are based on publicly available information, slides and interfaces
- The available information is very limited and does not give a reasonable overview of cryptography and security mechanisms

Overview

- What we know about SD-WAN secure communications and crypto comes from GUI, publicly available slides, guides, etc.
- Based on these sources, we could reconstruct some cryptography mechanisms for some vendors
- Available information is very limited and does not give a reasonable overview of cryptography and security mechanisms

SD-WAN Drafts

- Software-Defined Networking (SDN)-based IPsec Flow Protection
- IPsec Key Exchange using a Controller
- A YANG Data Model for SD-WAN VPN Service Delivery

Modern Crypto, Cloud and Distributed Systems

- Istio, Consul
- SPIFFE
- Google's [ALTS \(RWC 2018 slides\)](#)
- Noise Protocol Framework
- WireGuard
- TLS 1.3

Goals

- Describe identified design flaws and vulnerabilities
- Share some thoughts related to the sources of the security issues and hopes
- Introduce new tools and a basic checklist

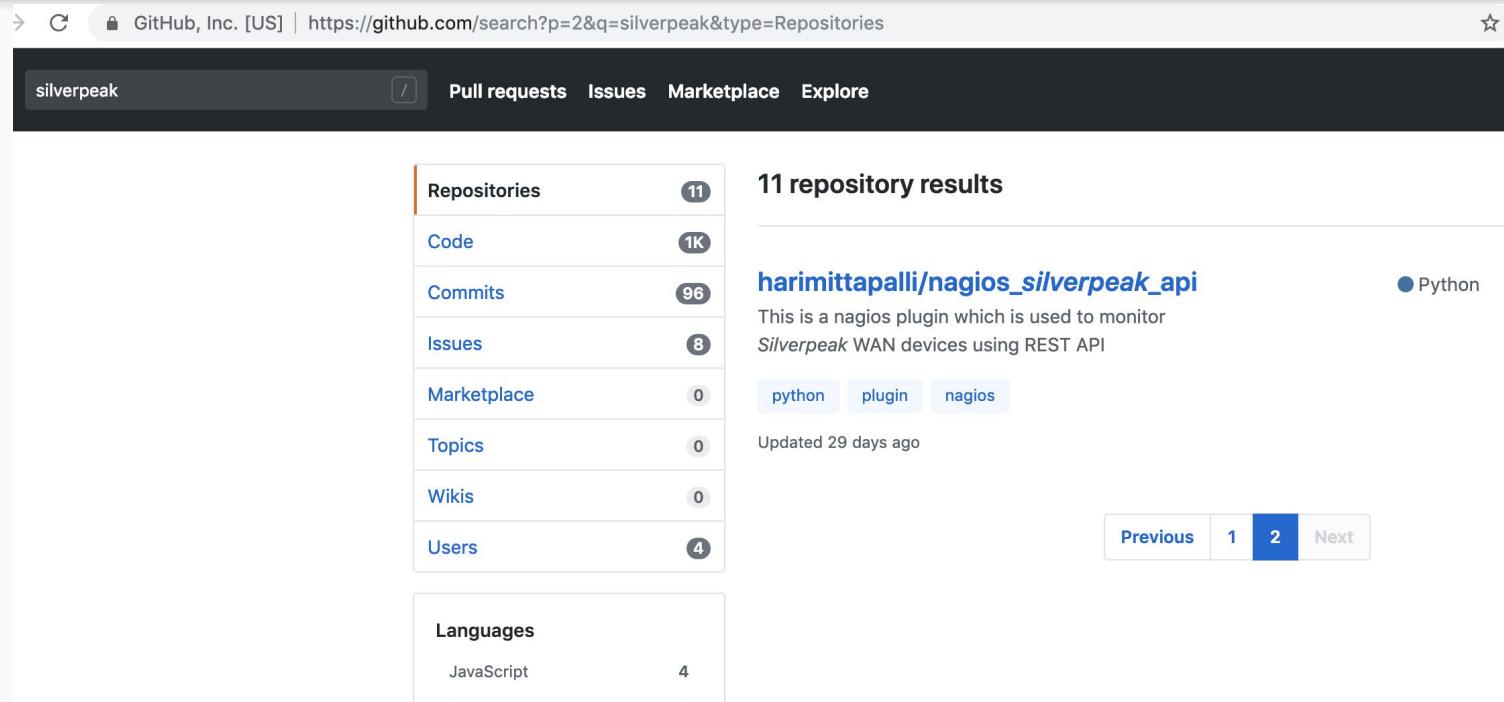
Vulnerabilities

SilverPeak Crypto

SilverPeak Crypto

- SilverPeak uses Racoon as an IPsec library in 2019
- No AEAD ciphers for data plane
- TLS on the control and orchestration planes
- The basic technology is [IPsec over UDP](#)
- Custom protocol for keys distribution via orchestrator
- There are no many clues how SilverPeak is implementing that protocol

During a pentest...



A screenshot of a GitHub search results page. The search bar at the top contains the query "silverpeak". The results section shows 11 repository results. The first result is a repository named "harimittapalli/nagios_silverpeak_api" which is a Python plugin for Nagios to monitor Silverpeak WAN devices using a REST API. The repository has 0 stars and was updated 29 days ago. The "Languages" section at the bottom shows that the repository is written in JavaScript.

GitHub, Inc. [US] | https://github.com/search?p=2&q=silverpeak&type=Repositories

silverpeak Pull requests Issues Marketplace Explore

Repositories	11
Code	1K
Commits	96
Issues	8
Marketplace	0
Topics	0
Wikis	0
Users	4

11 repository results

harimittapalli/nagios_silverpeak_api • Python

This is a nagios plugin which is used to monitor Silverpeak WAN devices using REST API

python plugin nagios

Updated 29 days ago

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nagios_silverpeak_api

Nagios Silver Peak API Plugin:

`nagios_silverpeak_api.py` is written in python 3 and is used to monitor the Silver peak WAN SD network devices resources through REST API.

Usage: `silverpeak_api.py [options]`

Options:

- `--version` show program's version number and exit
- `-h, --help` show this help message and exit
- `-H HOST, --host=HOST` Name/IP Address of the silverpeak device
- `-O OPTION, --option=OPTION`

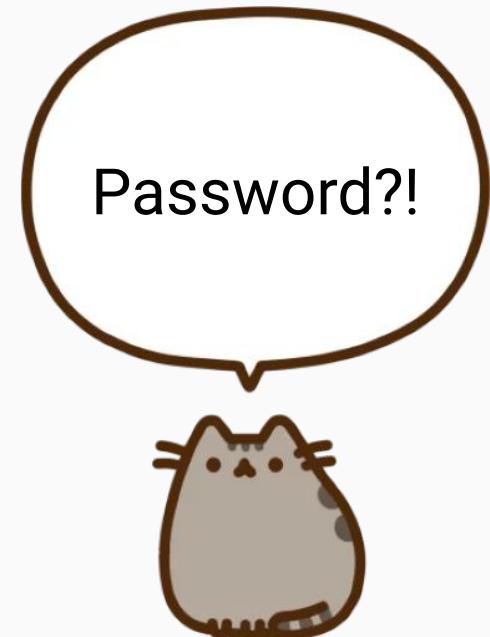
```
memory / swap / alarms / tunnels / nexthops / vrrp / diskinfo
```

- `-W WARN, --warning=WARN`

```
Warning threshold
```

- `-C CRIT, --critical=CRIT`

```
Critical threshold
```



Hardcoded Credentials?

```
def memory_usage():

    login_url = "https://{}/rest/json/login".format(ipaddr)
    logout_url= "https://{}/rest/json/logout".format(ipaddr)

    querystring = {"user":"monitor","password":"monitor"}
```

```
s = requests.Session()
response = s.request("GET",login_url, params=querystring,verify=False)
```

```
mem_url="https://{}/rest/json/memory".format(ipaddr)
mem=s.request("GET",mem_url,verify=False)

if mem.status_code != 200:
    print mem.content
    sys.exit(3)
return ''
```

Failed Login

Go

Cancel



Target:



Request

Raw Params Hex

GET /rest/json/login?**user=admin&password=admin** HTTP/1.1

?user=**admin**&password=**admin**

Response

Raw Headers Hex Render

HTTP/1.1 401 Unauthorized
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
X-XSS-Protection: 1; mode=block
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
Cache-Control: no-cache, no-store
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 22
ETag: W/"16-C77FbkzMLv9Ehxsltyx+p8DnI0Y"
Vary: Accept-Encoding
set-cookie:

Connection: keep-alive

Authentication failure

Authentication failure

EH

Successful Login

Go Cancel < | > | Target: https:// [edit]

Request

Raw Params Hex

```
GET /rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor HTTP/1.1
```



?user=monitor&password=monitor

Response

Raw Headers Hex Render

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
X-XSS-Protection: 1; mode=block
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
Cache-Control: no-cache, no-store
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 57
ETag: W/"39-pjfc/cdHtq/cLloGVz942l+P8+Y"
Vary: Accept-Encoding
Set-Cookie:
```

Connection: keep-alive

Request performed successfully. Authentication successful

Authentication successful

Why monitor's password was not changed?

- Hard-coded credentials on the server-side
- Users do not know how to change credentials
- Users think that having read-only account with default passwords is safe

Read-only == safe? Nope.

`/rest/json/tunnelsConfigAndState`

tunnelsConfigAndStates API Result

PSK

⚠ Ненадежный | jsonviewer.stack.hu

Viewer Text

JSON

- default
- pass-through-unshaped
- pass-through
- tunnel_219
- tunnel_224
- tunnel_225
- tunnel_226
- tunnel_227
- tunnel_228
- tunnel_229
- tunnel_230
- tunnel_231
- tunnel_232
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- tunnel_221
- tunnel_244
- tunnel_245
- tunnel_246
- tunnel_247
- tunnel_248
- tunnel_249
- tunnel_222
- tunnel_223

tunnel_219

ctrl_pkt

- source : "10. [REDACTED] 20"
- udp_flows : 256
- gms_marked : true
- max_bw : 4000
- admin : "up"
- min_bw : 32
- alias : "[REDACTED]"
- auto_mtu : true
- ipsec_arc_window : "1024"
- mtu : "1476"
- presharedkey : "[REDACTED]"

ipsec_nonce_in

- gre_proto : 0
- max_bw_unshaped : false

orch_tid

- ipsec_enable : true
- mode : "ipsec_udp"
- id2 : 0
- ipsec_udp_sport : "12000"
- ipsec_udp_dport : "12001"

PoC

- Enumerate SilverPeak devices on the Internet (done)
- Use **admin:admin** and **monitor:monitor** credentials (ethical hacking)
- Get IPsec tunnel configurations and secrets

GOTCHA!



PoC

#	Host	Method	URL	Params	Edited	Status	Length	MIME type	Extension	Title
188	https://[REDACTED] 59.147	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	446	text		
187	https://[REDACTED] 41.82	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	523	text		
185	https://[REDACTED] 194.78	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	448	text		
184	https://[REDACTED] 113.219	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	451	text		
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180	https://[REDACTED] 9.30	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	525	text		
179	https://[REDACTED] 59.4	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	448	text		
177	https://[REDACTED] 35.236	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	525	text		
176	https://[REDACTED] 64.117	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	451	text		
171	https://[REDACTED] 102.214	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	527	text		
170	https://[REDACTED] 14.237	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	521	text		
163	https://[REDACTED] 142.2	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	521	text		
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159	https://[REDACTED] 212.112	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	523	text		
158	https://[REDACTED] 54.165	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	444	text		
157	https://[REDACTED] 4.254	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	450	text		
152	https://[REDACTED] 42.136	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	523	text		
143	https://[REDACTED] 3.21	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	448	text		
142	https://[REDACTED] 165.2	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	446	text		
138	https://[REDACTED] 114.35	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	453	text		
135	https://[REDACTED] 75.57	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	450	text		
132	https://[REDACTED] 221.29	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	525	text		
131	https://[REDACTED] 113.236	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	453	text		
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124	https://[REDACTED] 27.20	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	446	text		
120	https://[REDACTED] 144.150	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	444	text		
117	https://[REDACTED] 248.203	GET	/rest/json/login?user=monitor&password=monitor	✓		200	448	text		
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Request
Response

Raw
Headers
Hex
Render

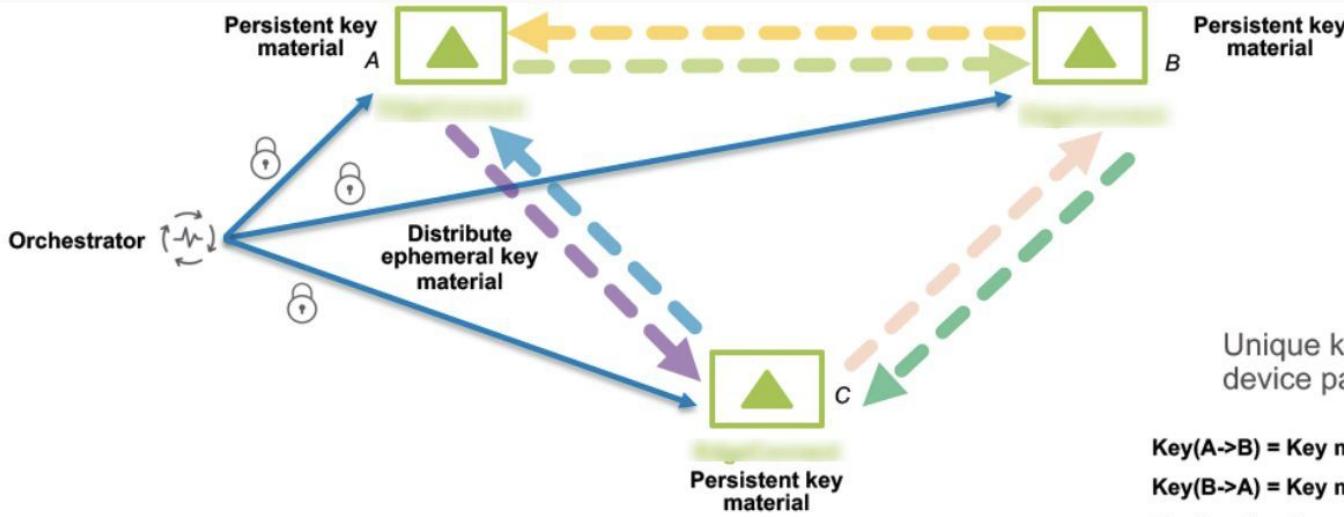
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Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
ETag: W/"39-pjfcCcdHtg/cLloGvz9421+P8+Y"
Vary: Accept-Encoding
set-cookie: vxoaSessionID=$3ARRd2rFrw79SPoKuUSGhDy; Path=/; HttpOnly; Secure
Date:
Connection: close
Content-Length: 57

Request performed successfully. Authentication successful
```

PoC Results

- 571 SilverPeak devices (November 2018)
- 380 alive
- 150 devices have monitor/monitor user
- 3 devices have admin/admin user

SilverPeak IPsec Key Management White Paper



Ephemeral key material: global, rotates every hour or higher

Distributed over secure TLS

Persistent key material: local, for every unidirectional SA (one way IPsec tunnel)

PFS-like (Perfect Forward Secrecy) security

Protect past sessions against future compromise

DH-like (Diffie Hellman) Key Exchange

Actual keys are never sent on the wire

Unique keys that never repeat per device pair, per direction

$\text{Key(A-B)} = \text{Key material(E)} + \text{Key material(P)(A-B)}$

$\text{Key(B-A)} = \text{Key material(E)} + \text{Key material(P)(B-A)}$

$\text{Key(A-C)} = \text{Key material(E)} + \text{Key material(P)(A-C)}$

$\text{Key(C-A)} = \text{Key material(E)} + \text{Key material(P)(C-A)}$

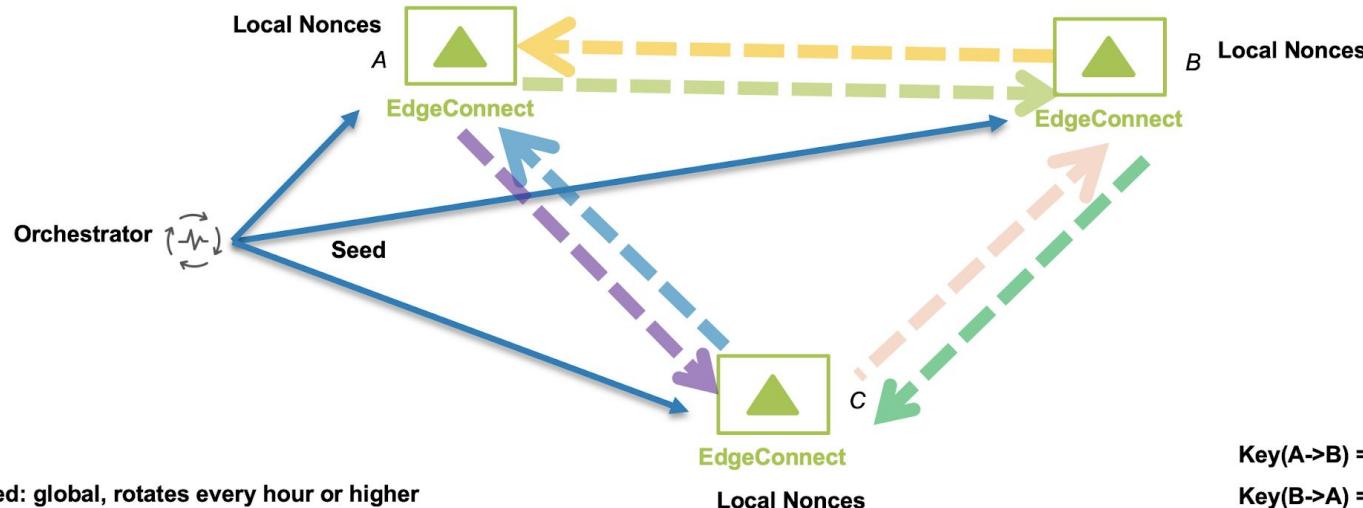
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Ephemeral key material \rightarrow Key material(E)

Persistent key material \rightarrow Key material(P)

Another white paper: What if nonce is 0?



Seed: global, rotates every hour or higher

Nonce: local, for every unidirectional SA (one way IPsec tunnel)

Ipsec is over UDP: Default source port assignment: 10002 or 11002

Perfect Forward Secrecy: Protects past sessions against future compromise

Key(A->B) = seed1	nonce(A->B)
Key(B->A) = seed1	nonce(A->B)
Key(A->C) = seed1	nonce(A->C)
Key(C->A) = seed1	nonce(C->A)

Key Management Reverse Engineering

- PSK === Persistent Key Material
- PSKs are sent over HTTPS tunnel between the router and the orchestrator
- How does the router authenticate to orchestrator?
 - What is the root of trust?
 - The router and orchestrator use self-signed certificates for Web UI and REST API
- Ephemeral key material rotation happens **every 24 hours** (configured)
 - **Wireguard** rotates key **every 2 minutes**
 - Ephemeral key material is stored on the orchestrator during the key rotation interval

Citrix NetScaler Hard-coded Keys

Overview

- **All** Citrix NetScaler SD-WAN appliances use **the same pre-installed RSA** key pair and the corresponding self-signed certificate
- This certificate is used in Controller - Orchestrator communication protocol within Northbound API
- An attacker in MitM position can use the private key to perform eavesdropping and spoofing attacks against all edge routers

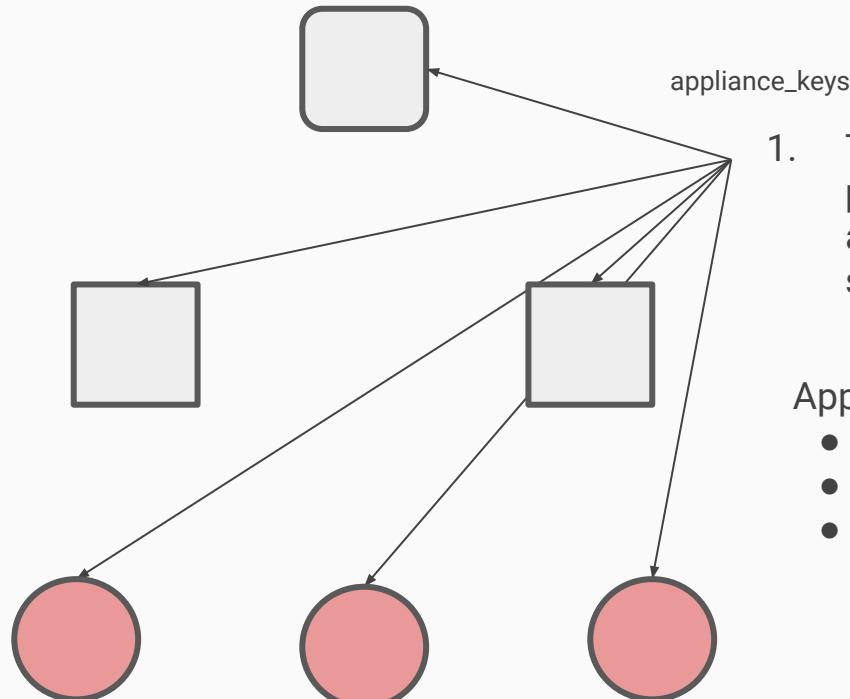
- <https://support.citrix.com/article/CTX247735>
- This vulnerability could allow an unauthenticated attacker to perform a man-in-the-middle attack against management traffic. The vulnerability has been assigned the following CVE number.
- CVE-2019-11550 – Information Disclosure in Citrix SD-WAN Appliance 10.2.x before 10.2.2 and NetScaler SD-WAN Appliance 10.0.x before 10.0.7.
- **Affected Versions:**
 - All versions of NetScaler SD-WAN 9.x *
 - All versions of NetScaler SD-WAN 10.0.x earlier than 10.0.7
 - All versions of Citrix SD-WAN 10.1.x *
 - All versions of Citrix SD-WAN 10.2.x earlier than 10.2.2

Provisioning (1/2)

SD-WAN Center

SD-WAN
Controllers

SD-WAN Edge
Routers



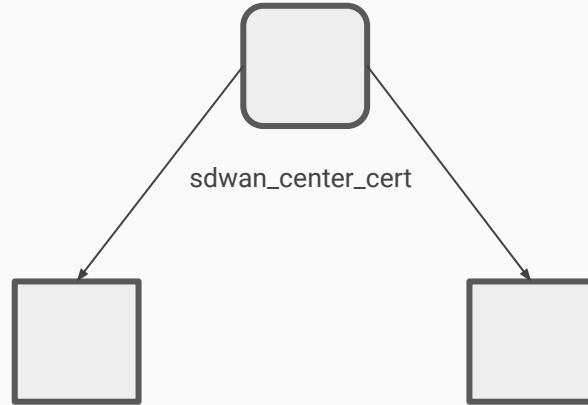
1. The Vendor copies the pre-generated `appliance_keys` to each system

Appliance_keys:

- RSA public key
- RSA private key
- RSA self-signed certificate

Provisioning (2/2)

SD-WAN Center



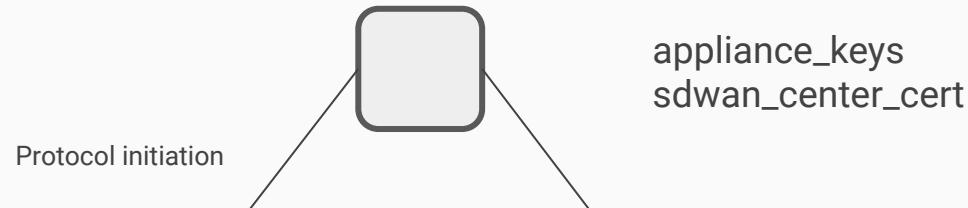
SD-WAN
Controllers

SD-WAN Edge
Routers

2. The Customer generates an `sdwan_center_cert` and manually installs it on the controller nodes

Communication Scheme (1/2)

SD-WAN Center

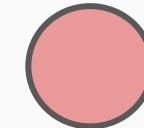


SD-WAN
Controllers

appliance_keys
sdwan_center_cert

appliance_keys
sdwan_center_cert

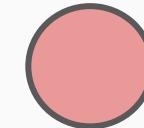
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Routers



appliance_keys

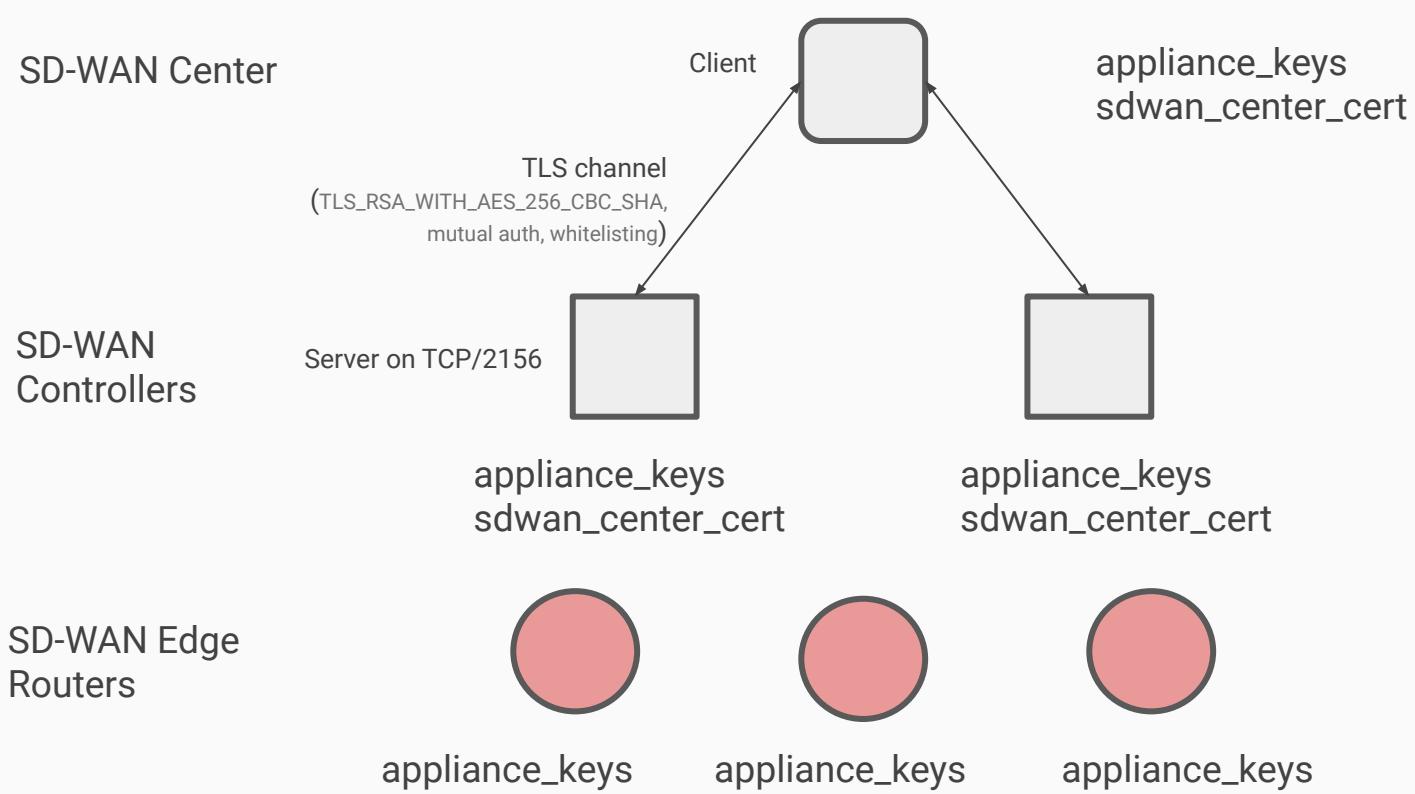


appliance_keys



appliance_keys

Communication Scheme (2/2)



Design Summary

- The “appliance_keys” certificate
 - Pre-installed on all SD-WAN appliances (controller, orchestrator, network elements, etc.)
 - Used for traffic encryption with `TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA` cipher suite
- The “sdwan_center_cert” certificate
 - Generated on the SD-WAN Center
 - It must be manually installed on all controllers
- TLS
 - `TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA`
 - PFS is not enforced
- A custom protocol is used to communicate between SD-WAN Center and other SD-WAN appliances over TLS
- It is worth noting, that this protocol also has a password-based authentication feature (PSK)

What is protocol used for?

- Download configs from virtual WAN appliances
(get_config_file_chunk FILENAME)
- Download a list of configs (get_available_configs)
- Ping (ping)
- Get info (get_appliance_info)
- Get management IP address (get_network_mgt_ip_address)
- Get SSO token (get_sso_token)
- Upload config (initiate_config_upload FILENAME,
put_config_file_chunk FILENAME, finalize_config_upload
FILENAME)

Authentication Method

- Mutual authentication and PSK-based defense in depth mechanism
- Orchestrator authenticates to Controller using the "sdwan_center_cert"
- Controller authenticates to Orchestrator using the "appliance_keys" cert and the white-listing method:
 - A connection to a controller is accepted if the sent appliance_cert.pem is equal to orchestrator appliance_cert.pem
 - These can be arbitrary, but equal certificates
- Pre-shared Secret Key
 - Default username (vendor name)
 - Password is empty

Client CLI Help

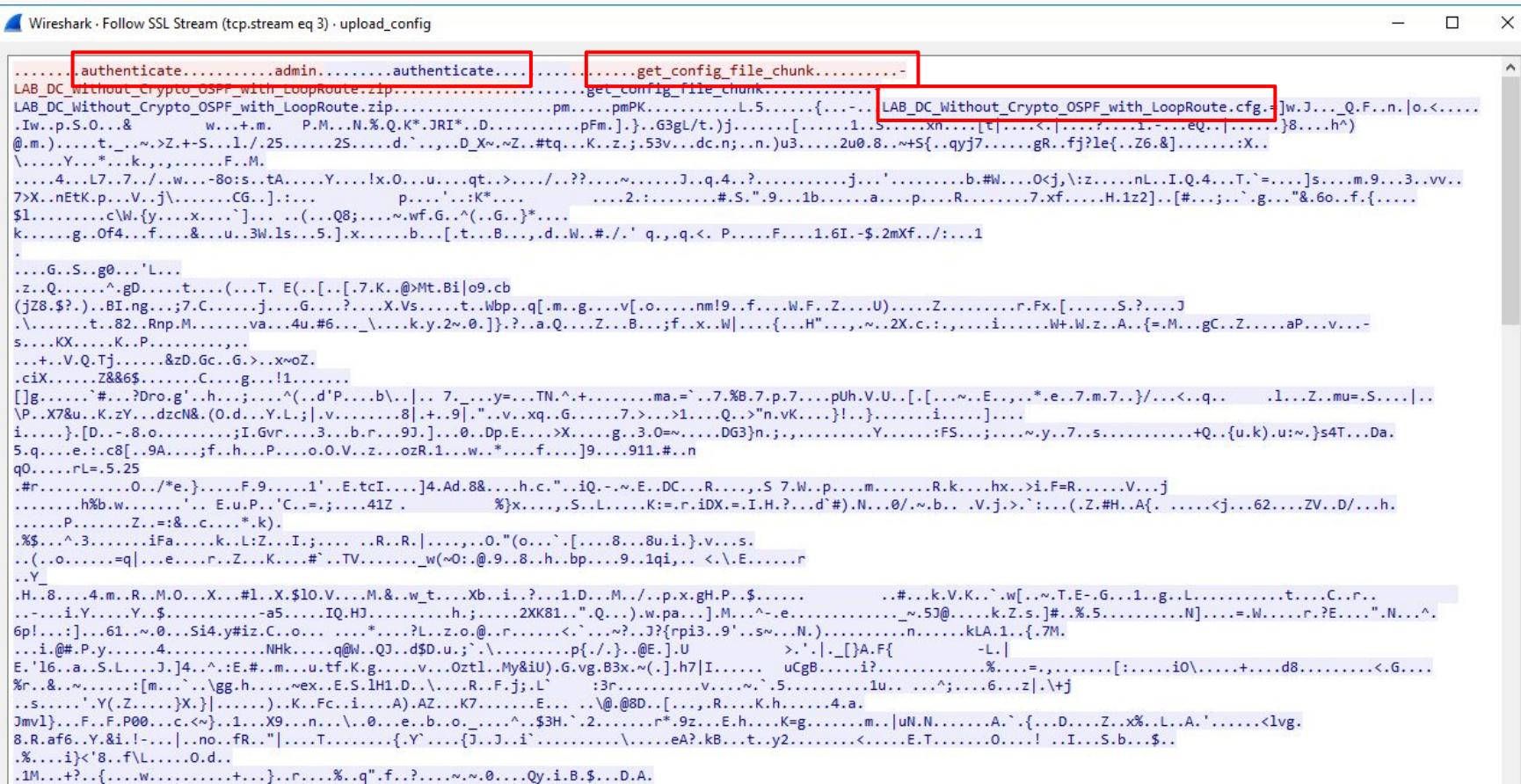
Server does not enable the password check



```
root@DC:~# ps aux | grep aa
root      8980  0.0  0.0  9236  2148 ?          S    Sep23  0:00 /bin/bash -c /home/REDACTED/bin/aa_server &> /dev/null
root      8993  0.0  1.0  86344 41852 ?          Sl   Sep23  0:42 /home/REDACTED/bin/aa_server
root    12571  0.0  0.0   7848  1972 pts/0        S+   15:21  0:00 grep aa
```

- The password check designed and implemented but not used
- It is **not** possible to enable this password check

Get Config Command with Empty Password



Results

1. The attacker **in passive MitM** position **can decrypt** all communications
2. The attacker **in active MitM** position can perform **active eavesdropping**
3. The attacker **in the target network** can spoof an Controller
4. The attacker **that is able to upload** an SD-WAN **certificate** on a Controller node **can get control** over this SD-WAN network

Citrix NetScaler Crypto UI

IKE Secret

- + WAN Links
- + GRE Tunnels
- + IPsec Tunnels + ?

Service Type

Name

Firewall Zone

Local IP

Peer IP

MTU

Keepalive

Delete

LAN

My-IPsec

<Default>

200.149.142.10 200.149.142.20

1500



IKE Settings



Version:

IKEv2

Identity:

Authentication:

Pre-Shared Key:

Auto

Pre-Shared Key

Zz1234567890

Peer Authentication:

Mirrored

Validate Peer Identity

Click the checkbox to validate the IKE's Peer Identity. If the peer's ID type is not supported, do not enable this feature.

Lifetime (s):

Lifetime (s) Max:

DPD Timeout (s):

3600

86400

300

IPsec Settings



Tunnel Type:

PFS Group:

ESP

Group 1 (MODP768)

Private Keys

Interface Groups + ⚒ ?

	Virtual Interfaces	Ethernet Interfaces	Bypass Mode	WCCP	Security	Delete
DC-INET (0)	1 2 3 4	Fail-to-Block	<input type="checkbox"/>	Untrusted		
DC-MPLS (0)	1 2 3 4	Fail-to-Block	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trusted		
DC-LAN1 (0)	1 2 3 4	Fail-to-Block	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trusted		

Virtual IP Addresses

DHCP

WAN Links

Certificates ?

Identity + ⚒ ?

Name	Fingerprint	Delete
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Trusted + ⚒ ?

Name	Fingerprint	Delete
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High Availability

Branch

Connections

DC

WAN-to-WAN Forwarding

Virtual Paths

Internet Services

Intranet Services

WAN Links

GRE Tunnels

IPsec Tunnels + ⚒ ?

Service Type	Name	Firewall
LAN	My-IPsec	<Default>

IKE Settings

Version: IKEv2

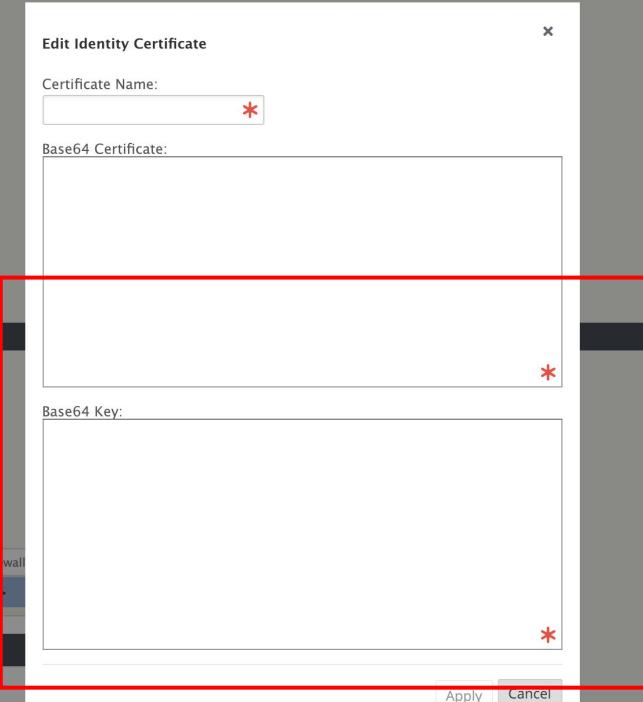
Edit Identity Certificate

Certificate Name: *

Base64 Certificate:

Base64 Key:

Apply Cancel



Custom Citrix Crypto Default Settings

Configuration > Virtual WAN > Configuration Editor – LAB_DC_Without_Crypto OSPF_IpSec

Global

Virtual WAN Network Settings

Global Security Settings

Note: Changing the **Network Encryption Mode** may cause Site **Secure Keys** to be truncated or regenerated if they do not meet the requirements of the new mode.

Network Encryption Mode:

AES 128-Bit

Enable Encryption Key Rotation

Enable Extended Packet Encryption Header

Enable Extended Packet Authentication Trailer

Extended Packet Authentication Trailer Type:

32-Bit Checksum

Global Firewall Settings

Global Policy Template: Default Firewall Action:

<None>

Allow

Default Connection State Tracking

Brain4Net

Brain4Net

- There are several SD-WAN vendors and projects in Russia
- One of them is an OpenFlow-based service platform focusing on SD-WAN transport
- Shodan says that some testbeds are deployed on the Russian state ISP (Rostelecom)

Testbeds on Rostelecom's sites

TOTAL RESULTS

2

TOP COUNTRIES



Russian Federation

2

TOP ORGANIZATIONS

Rostelecom

2

TOP PRODUCTS

nginx

2



188.254

Rostelecom

Added on 2019-03-18 02:48:53 GMT

 Russian Federation, Davydovo

self-signed

SSL Certificate

Issued By:

| - Common Name: default

| - Organization: [REDACTED]

Investment

Issued To:

| - Common Name: default

| - Organization: [REDACTED]

Investment

Supported SSL Versions

TLSv1, TLSv1.1, TLSv1.2

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

Server: nginx/1.13.12

Date: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 02:48:53 GMT

Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8

Content-Length: 755

Last-Modified: Fri, 15 Mar 2019 13:37:33 GMT

Connection: keep-alive

ETag: "5c8baa9d-2f3"

Expires: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 02:48:53 GMT

Cache-Control: max-age=0

C...



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Rostelecom

Added on 2019-03-17 01:30:01 GMT

 Russian Federation, Moscow

self-signed

SSL Certificate

Issued By:

| - Common Name: default

| - Organization: [REDACTED]

Investment

Issued To:

| - Common Name: default

| - Organization: [REDACTED]

Investment

Supported SSL Versions

TLSv1, TLSv1.1, TLSv1.2

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

Server: nginx/1.13.12

Date: Sun, 17 Mar 2019 01:30:21 GMT

Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8

Content-Length: 755

Last-Modified: Fri, 15 Mar 2019 13:37:33 GMT

Connection: keep-alive

ETag: "5c8baa9d-2f3"

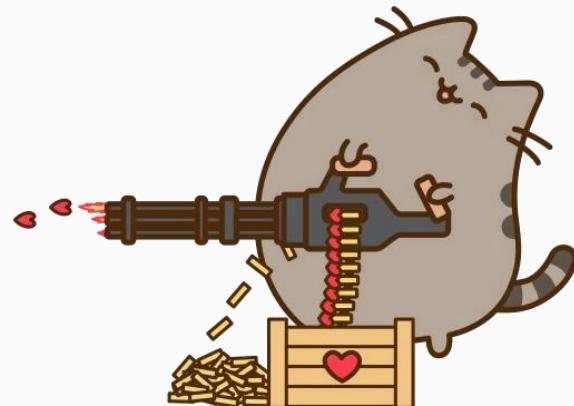
Expires: Sun, 17 Mar 2019 01:30:21 GMT

Cache-Control: max-age=0

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Smoke Security Testing

- Trivial fingerprinting and enumeration
- Multiple versions disclosure
- Several XSSes
- Cross-Site WebSocket Hijacking
- Unauthenticated access to monitoring services



Secure Communications

- Unprotected
 - TCP 830 (GRPC)
 - TCP 5000 (API)
 - TCP 6653 (OpenFlow)
 - TCP 27017 (Mongo)
- No mutually authenticated
- There are no ready to use decisions for some protocols (e.g., OpenFlow)

GRPC Flows

PRI * HTTP/2.0

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.....$.....A."h..  
D.b6.\..z.:0.....*... -..9.%...X.T.H.^!.._..u.b  
&=LMed@.te.M.5...z....A....)Wyp.@.....B...Q.!.....@.....MIOj.....@.....l.  
.f.....$....._..u.b  
&=LMed@.....j!.5S..4..&0.@.....B...Q.!.....  
.MASTER.%.....@.....4...0..4.$.....D.b6.\..z.:0.....*... -..9.%...X.sU.?.....4...../  
.5c768255ed91a300018bbc0e...:  
.ctl:830..ctl..<....%.....~.13.....
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Easily seen command patterns =>
no additional encryption under L7 protocol

OpenFlow

cp.stream eq 0

Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
371	23.019519	10.11.11.7	172.31.11.3	66	Ethernet II, Src: 02:42:0a:07 (02:42:0a:07:00:07), Dst: 00:00:00:00:00:00 (00:00:00:00:00:00) [ethernet] [src=02:42:0a:07:00:07 dst=00:00:00:00:00:00]
372	23.519850	10.11.11.7	1	1	Internet Protocol Version 4 (IPv4) [src=10.11.11.7 dst=0.0.0.0] [srcport=66 destport=0] [tcp] [tcp.flags=0x00000000]
373	23.520064	10.11.11.7	1	1	Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 66 [src=10.11.11.7 dst=0.0.0.0] [srcport=66 destport=0] [tcp] [tcp.flags=0x00000000]
374	23.520227	10.11.11.7	1	1	OpenFlow 1.3 [src=10.11.11.7 dst=0.0.0.0] [srcport=66 destport=0] [tcp] [tcp.flags=0x00000000]
375	23.520381	10.11.11.7	1	1
376	23.521851	172.31.11.3	1	1
385	24.520005	10.11.11.7	1	1
386	24.520591	10.11.11.7	1	1
387	24.520724	10.11.11.7	1	1
388	24.520855	10.11.11.7	1	1
389	24.520927	172.31.11.3	1	1
396	24.520935	10.11.11.7	1	1
397	24.520931	172.31.11.3	1	1
398	24.521955	10.11.11.7	1	1
399	25.520750	10.11.11.7	1	1
400	25.521008	10.11.11.7	1	1
401	25.521097	10.11.11.7	1	1
402	25.521330	10.11.11.7	1	1
403	25.522794	172.31.11.3	1	1
407	25.875686	10.11.11.3	1	1
408	25.875730	10.11.11.7	1	1
409	25.883277	10.11.11.3	1	1
410	25.883308	10.11.11.7	1	1
414	25.887119	172.31.11.3	1	1
415	25.887388	10.11.11.7	1	1
421	26.028899	10.11.11.3	1	1
422	26.028933	10.11.11.7	1	1
428	26.521047	10.11.11.7	1	1
429	26.521429	10.11.11.7	1	1

Frame 428: 313 bytes on wire (2474 bits), 313 bytes captured on wire (2474 bits) on interface enp0s3
 Ethernet II, Src: 02:42:0a:07 (02:42:0a:07:00:07), Dst: 00:00:00:00:00:00 (00:00:00:00:00:00) [ethernet] [src=02:42:0a:07:00:07 dst=00:00:00:00:00:00]
 Internet Protocol Version 4 (IPv4) [src=10.11.11.7 dst=0.0.0.0] [srcport=66 destport=0] [tcp] [tcp.flags=0x00000000]
 Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 66 [src=10.11.11.7 dst=0.0.0.0] [srcport=66 destport=0] [tcp] [tcp.flags=0x00000000]
 OpenFlow 1.3 [src=10.11.11.7 dst=0.0.0.0] [srcport=66 destport=0] [tcp] [tcp.flags=0x00000000]

Wireshark - Follow TCP Stream (tcp.stream eq 0) - b4n_2.pcap

The same here:
 L7 proto over plain TCP

Brain4Net

- “No crypto” approach
- Cleartext communications (e.g., HA mechanism, gRPC)
- Unprotected OpenFlow

Viprinet XSS

Viprinet Virtual VPN Hub

- Stored XSS in the web management interface
- Why does XSS matter here?
 - A private key is accessible via AdminDesk
 - VPN tunnel certificate fingerprint can be set via AdminDesk

Private Key

Certificate Fingerprint

Editor

Properties

Remote router's SSL certificate fingerprint:

Require valid fingerprint:

Connection password:

Enabled:

Push routes through tunnel:

Accept incoming routes:

Tunnel name:

This router serves as VPN Hub:

IP for this tunnel to connect to (only for VPN Nodes):

Minimum number of connected Channels:

Minimum Backup Score:

Create channels automatically (VPN Hubs only):

Functions

Permissions

Read access:

Write access:

Tools

When the tunnel is connecting, the SHA1 fingerprint of the remote routers SSL certificate is compared to the value configured here.

Validating the fingerprint is important to prevent men-in-the-middle attacks where someone would by forging the remote routers IP would trick you into connecting to their device instead of your own.

It is highly recommended to manually copy the remote routers SSL certificate fingerprint to over here. In case you don't do this, on the very first connect of this tunnel to the remote device, the fingerprint will be taken and stored here. On future reconnects, the fingerprint taken from that device will be compared to the one stored here, to make sure it is really still the same device we are talking to.

Note: In a Hub redundancy setup, a Hub taking over the identity of a dropped out VPN Hub will also take over the certificate and its fingerprint, so it will still match. The same is the case if you copy and restore a backup of the remote VPN Hub to a new device. Due to this, the fingerprint taken first should always match for future connections. If it doesn't there is a high chance someone is trying to run a MITM attack on you!

SD-WAN Crypto Red Flags

Red Flags

- Crypto is not properly documented
- Legacy and obsolete crypto (SSL 3.0, TLS 1.0, TLS 1.1, MD5, RC4, RSA, CBC, etc.)
- Legacy implementations (racoon)
- No AEAD primitives
- No key renewal on control plane or data plane
- Hardcoded credentials or keys

Security Requirements

Requirements

- Key rotation
- Key revocation
- Mutual authentication
- AEAD primitives
- Modern KEX - No RSA or RSA encryption for key exchange
- No legacy crypto protocols and implementations
- Secure key storage
- Group traffic security

Requirements

- Must meet the current state of the art in key management
- Must meet the current state of the art in terms of cryptographic protocols and algorithms
- Sufficient entropy and randomness for key generation
- Sufficient key lengths and domain parameters
- Correct choice of parameters for crypto functions
- Robust and sufficiently evaluated solution

Modern Crypto Protocols

Noise

- Noise is a framework for specifying secure channel protocols based on the Diffie-Hellman key agreement
- The Noise Protocol is currently adopted and used by WhatsApp, WireGuard, Lightning, I2P, nQUIC
- Noise allows for use-case specific protocols. The specification describes more than 50 handshake patterns
- The NoiseSocket Protocol allows to negotiate a particular Noise protocol and use it as a secure network protocol

Noise Stack

- Noise
- NoiseSocket
- NLS
- Disco

WireGuard

- Fast, modern, secure VPN tunnel
- Designed for the Linux kernel
- Noise- IKpsk2 pattern
- L3 tunnel
- UDP-based
- Crypto key routing and public keys
- 3 700 LoC
- [Slides](#)

WireGuard Security

- Stealthiness
- Anti-DoS (cookies)
- Simplicity
- Modern crypto primitives
- Lack of cipher negotiation
- Poor-man's PQ Resistance (PSK)

WireGuard Peculiarities

- IKpsk2 pattern in Noise
 - I - Static key for initiator Immediately transmitted to responder, despite reduced or absent identity hiding
 - K - Static key for responder Known to initiator
 - psk2 - place a "psk" token at the end of the second handshake message
- IKpsk2 pattern in WireGuard
 - Crypto key routing
 - Peers must know static keys of each other
 - Peers may know PSK

WireGuard Peculiarities

- WireGuard users must develop a key exchange protocol
 - Sometimes it's easy(peer-to-peer), sometimes it's not (hub-and-spoke)
 - Static key delivery (TLS, trust, CA)
 - Static key renewal
 - PSK delivery
- TLS and IPsec control and data planes are not separated
- <https://lists.zx2c4.com/pipermail/wireguard/2018-May/002901.html>

TLS 1.3

- Cleaned up: Remove unused or unsafe features
- Improved privacy: Encrypt more of the handshake
- Improved latency:
 - 1-RTT handshake for new clients
 - 0-RTT handshake for repeat connections
- Continuity: Maintain existing important use cases
- Security assurance: formally verified (e.g., [1])

TLS 1.3

Features removed from TLS 1.3

- Static RSA handshake
- CBC modes
- RC4, SHA1, MD5
- Compression
- Renegotiation

TLS 1.3

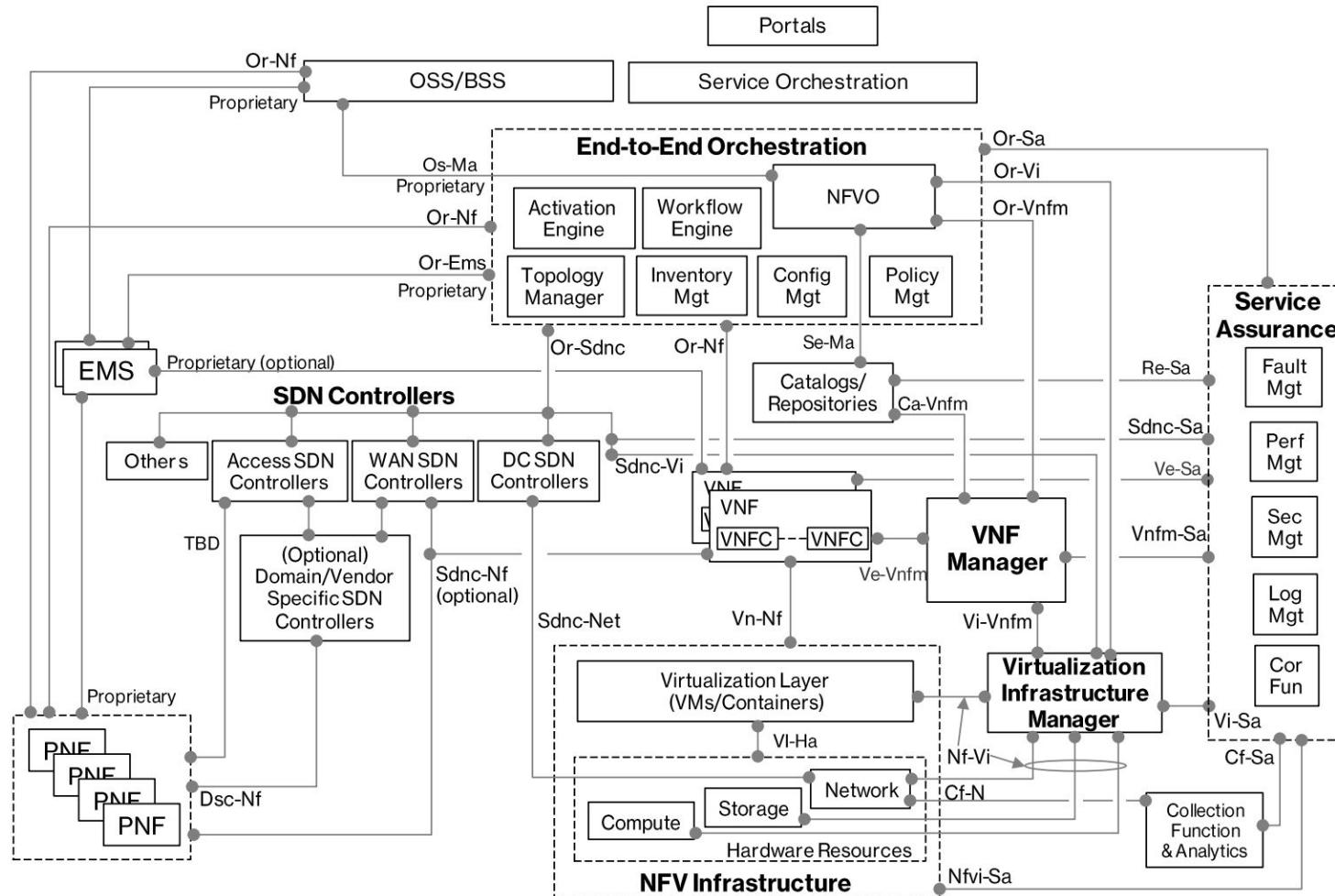
Features Added to TLS 1.3

- Full handshake signature
- Downgrade protection
- Abbreviated resumption with optional (EC)DHE
- Curve 25519 and 448
- 0-RTT
- Traffic analysis defences
- Certificate (client and server) encryption

PQ Crypto

- Minimum: the developed product and its architecture must be ready for PQ crypto (long keys, extra RTT, different protocol flow)
- <https://libpqcrypto.org/>
- <https://github.com/Teserakt-io/PQGo>
- Do not rely on PSK scheme to provide PQ security

Trust Establishment



Trust

- One of the most challenging aspects of secure communications is trust establishment
- The process of verifying that entities are actually communicating with the parties they intend
- Can be defined as the combination of long-term key exchange and long-term key authentication
- The main question is trust bootstrapping

Approaches

- Opportunistic encryption
- Trust-On-First-Use (TOFU)
- Key fingerprint verification: SSH, Viprinet
- Certificate pinning
- Short authentication strings: Signal
- Secret-based zero-knowledge verification
- Authority-based Trust:
 - Key discovery
 - Certificate authority
- Transparency Logs: Key transparency(CONIKS)

Key Transparency

Google's projects based on CONIKS

- <https://eprint.iacr.org/2014/1004.pdf>
- <https://github.com/google/keytransparency>

Key Transparency provides a lookup service for generic records and a public, tamper-proof audit log of all record changes. While being publicly auditable, individual records are only revealed in response to queries for specific IDs

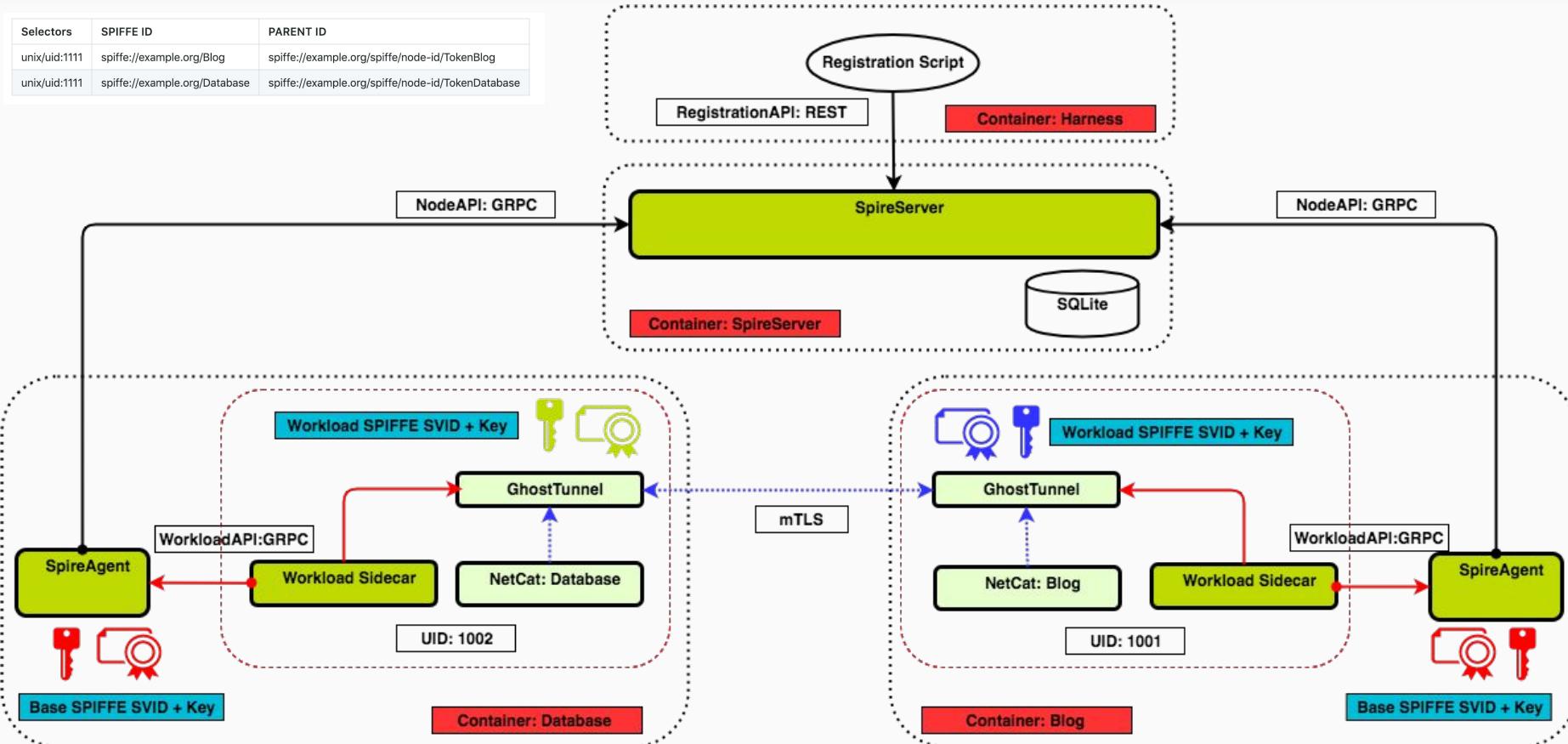
SPIFFE and SPIRE

SPIFFE, the Secure Production Identity Framework for Everyone, is a set of open-source standards for securely identifying software systems in dynamic and heterogeneous environments

Systems that adopt SPIFFE can easily and reliably mutually authenticate wherever they are running.

SPIFFE Example

Selectors	SPIFFE ID	PARENT ID
unix/uid:1111	spiffe://example.org/Blog	spiffe://example.org/spiffe/node-id TokenNameBlog
unix/uid:1111	spiffe://example.org/Database	spiffe://example.org/spiffe/node-id TokenNameDatabase



Security Checklist

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- Developers, QA, penetration testers, managers, engineers
- [SD-WAN Security Assessment: The First Hours](#)

Questions?