Chapter 8 Security

Computer Networking A Top-Down Approach

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What is network security?

confidentiality: only sender, intended receiver should "understand" message contents

- sender encrypts message
- receiver decrypts message

authentication: sender, receiver want to confirm identity of each other

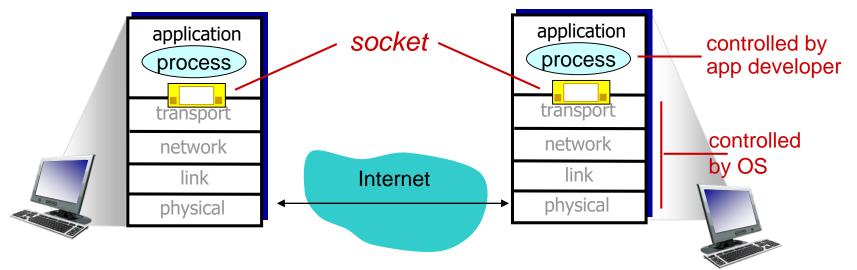
message integrity: sender, receiver want to ensure message not altered (in transit, or afterwards) without detection

access and availability: services must be accessible and available to users

Socket programming

goal: learn how to build client/server applications that communicate using sockets

socket: door between application process and endend-transport protocol



Socket programming

Two socket types for two transport services:

- UDP: unreliable datagram
- TCP: reliable, byte stream-oriented

Application Example:

- 1. Client reads a line of characters (data) from its keyboard and sends the data to the server.
- 2. The server receives the data and converts characters to uppercase.
- 3. The server sends the modified data to the client.
- 4. The client receives the modified data and displays the line on its screen.

Socket programming with TCP

client must contact server

- server process must first be running
- server must have created socket (door) that welcomes client's contact

client contacts server by:

- Creating TCP socket,
 specifying IP address, port
 number of server process
- when client creates socket:
 client TCP establishes
 connection to server TCP

 when contacted by client, server TCP creates new socket
 for server process to
 communicate with that
 particular client

> allows server to talk with multiple clients

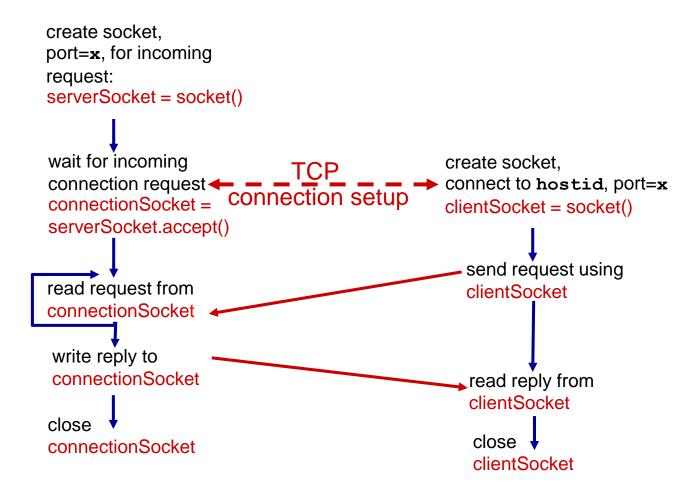
 source port numbers used to distinguish clients
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TCP provides reliable, in-order byte-stream transfer ("pipe") between client and server

Client/server socket interaction: TCP

Server (running on hostid)

client



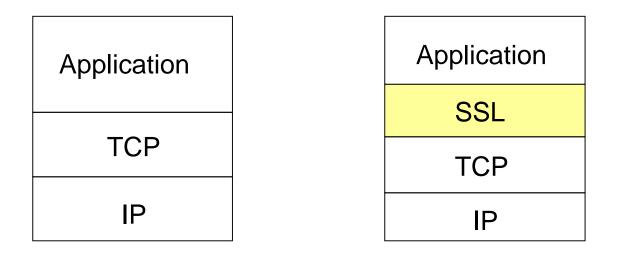
SSL: Secure Sockets Layer

- widely deployed security protocol
 - supported by almost all browsers, web servers
 - https
 - billions \$/year over SSL
- mechanisms: [Woo 1994], implementation: Netscape
- variation -TLS: transport layer security, RFC 2246
- provides
 - confidentiality
 - integrity
 - authentication

original goals:

- Web e-commerce transactions
- encryption (especially credit-card numbers)
- Web-server authentication
- optional client authentication
- minimum hassle in doing business with new merchant
- available to all TCP applications
 - secure socket interface

SSL and TCP/IP



normal application

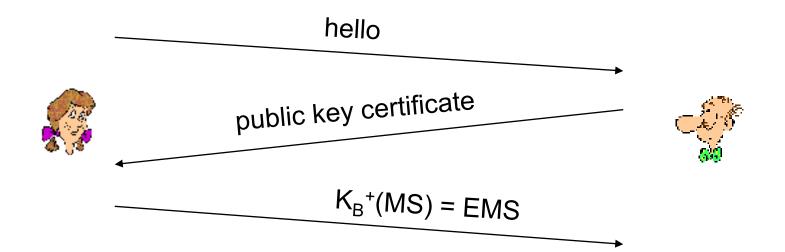
application with SSL

- SSL provides application programming interface (API) to applications
- C and Java SSL libraries/classes readily available

Toy SSL: a simple secure channel

- handshake: Alice and Bob use their certificates, private keys to authenticate each other and exchange shared secret
- key derivation: Alice and Bob use shared secret to derive set of keys
- data transfer: data to be transferred is broken up into series of records
- connection closure: special messages to securely close connection

Toy: a simple handshake



MS: master secret EMS: encrypted master secret

Toy: key derivation

- considered bad to use same key for more than one cryptographic operation
 - use different keys for message authentication code (MAC) and encryption
- four keys:
 - K_c = encryption key for data sent from client to server
 - M_c = MAC key for data sent from client to server
 - $K_s = encryption$ key for data sent from server to client
 - M_s = MAC key for data sent from server to client
- keys derived from key derivation function (KDF)
 - takes master secret and (possibly) some additional random data and creates the keys

Toy: data records

- why not encrypt data in constant stream as we write it to TCP?
 - where would we put the MAC? If at end, no message integrity until all data processed.
 - e.g., with instant messaging, how can we do integrity check over all bytes sent before displaying?
- instead, break stream in series of records
 - each record carries a MAC
 - receiver can act on each record as it arrives
- issue: in record, receiver needs to distinguish MAC from data
 - want to use variable-length records



Toy: sequence numbers

- problem: attacker can capture and replay record or re-order records
- solution: put sequence number into MAC:
 - MAC = MAC(M_x, sequence||data)
 - note: no sequence number field
- problem: attacker could replay all records
- solution: use nonce

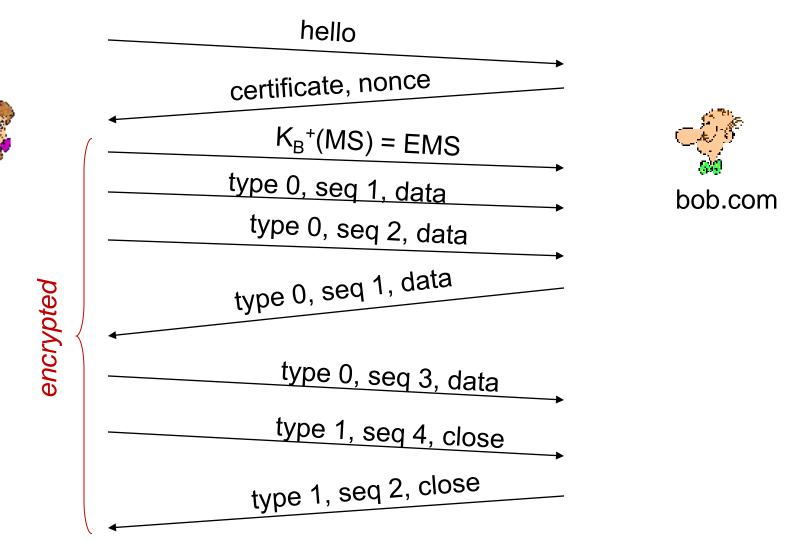
Toy: control information

problem: truncation attack:

- attacker forges TCP connection close segment
- one or both sides thinks there is less data than there actually is.
- solution: record types, with one type for closure
 - type 0 for data; type 1 for closure
- MAC = MAC(M_x, sequence||type||data)

length type	data	MAC
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Toy SSL isn't complete

- how long are fields?
- which encryption protocols?
- want negotiation?
 - allow client and server to support different encryption algorithms
 - allow client and server to choose together specific algorithm before data transfer

SSL cipher suite

- cipher suite
 - public-key algorithm
 - symmetric encryption algorithm
 - MAC algorithm
- SSL supports several cipher suites
- negotiation: client, server agree on cipher suite
 - client offers choice
 - server picks one

common SSL symmetric ciphers

- DES Data Encryption Standard: block
- 3DES Triple strength: block
- RC2 Rivest Cipher 2: block
- RC4 Rivest Cipher 4: stream
- SSL Public key encryption

RSA

Real SSL: handshake (I)

Purpose

- I. server authentication
- 2. negotiation: agree on crypto algorithms
- 3. establish keys
- 4. client authentication (optional)

Real SSL: handshake (2)

- client sends list of algorithms it supports, along with client nonce
- server chooses algorithms from list; sends back: choice + certificate + server nonce
- 3. client verifies certificate, extracts server's public key, generates pre_master_secret, encrypts with server's public key, sends to server
- 4. client and server independently compute encryption and MAC keys from pre_master_secret and nonces
- 5. client sends a MAC of all the handshake messages
- 6. server sends a MAC of all the handshake messages

Real SSL: handshaking (3)

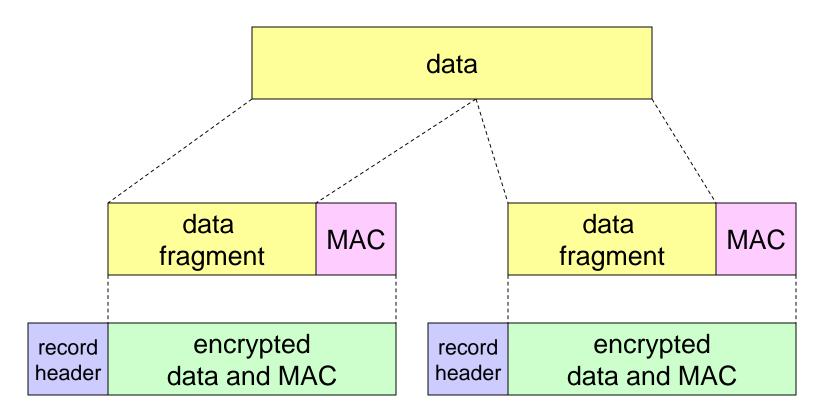
last 2 steps protect handshake from tampering

- client typically offers range of algorithms, some strong, some weak
- man-in-the middle could delete stronger algorithms from list
- Iast 2 steps prevent this
 - last two messages are encrypted

Real SSL: handshaking (4)

- why two random nonces?
- suppose Trudy sniffs all messages between Alice
 & Bob
- next day, Trudy sets up TCP connection with Bob, sends exact same sequence of records
 - Bob (Amazon) thinks Alice made two separate orders for the same thing
 - solution: Bob sends different random nonce for each connection. This causes encryption keys to be different on the two days
 - Trudy's messages will fail Bob's integrity check

SSL record protocol



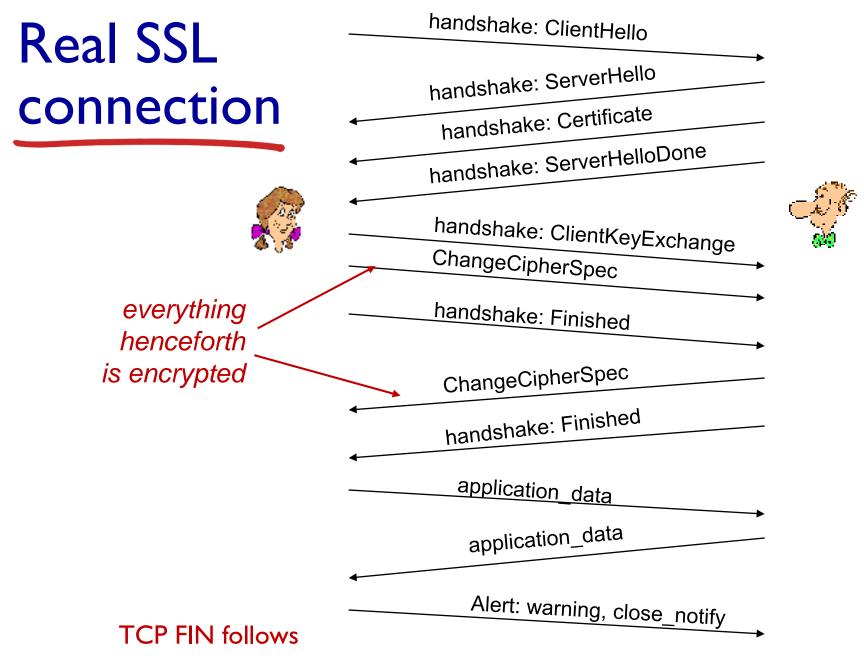
record header: content type; version; length

MAC: includes sequence number, MAC key M_x fragment: each SSL fragment 2¹⁴ bytes (~16 Kbytes)



1 byte	2 bytes	3 bytes			
content type	SSL version	length			
data					
	MAC				

data and MAC encrypted (symmetric algorithm)



Key derivation

- client nonce, server nonce, and pre-master secret input into pseudo random-number generator.
 - produces master secret
- master secret and new nonces input into another random-number generator: "key block"
 - because of resumption: TBD
- key block sliced and diced:
 - client MAC key
 - server MAC key
 - client encryption key
 - server encryption key
 - client initialization vector (IV)
 - server initialization vector (IV)