

# Energy Informatics

## 04 Security

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# What is a Threat

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## ■ Definition

- A threat of a computer network is any possible event or series of actions that can lead to a breach of security objectives
- The realization of a threat is an attack

## ■ Examples

- A hacker gains access to a closed network
- Publication of passing e-mails
- Unauthorized access to an online bank account
- A hacker brings a system to crash
- Identity theft



- Confidentiality
  - transmitted or stored data can only be read or written from the target audience
  - anonymity: confidentiality of the identity of the participants
- Data integrity
  - changes of data should be explored
  - author of data should be visible
- Accountability
  - for each communication event the responsible person should be detectable
- Availability
  - services should be available and operating
- Access control
  - Services and information should be accessible only to authorized users



- Masquerade
  - someone pretends to be someone from another
- Eavesdropping
  - someone reads information that is not for him
- Authorization Violation
  - someone uses a service or a resource that is not allowed for him
- Loss or alteration of information
  - data is altered or destroyed
- Denial of communication
  - Someone claims not to be in responsible for the ongoing communication
- Falsifying information
  - Someone created or changed messages on behalf of other
- Sabotage
  - Every action restricting the availability or proper functioning of the services or the system



# Threats and Security Goals

Security Objective	Threat						
	Masquerade	Eavesdropping	Authorization Violation	Loss or Alteration of Information	Denial of Communication	Falsifying Information	Sabotage
Confidentiality	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>				
Anonymity	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>	
Accountability	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	
Availability	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>				<b>X</b>
Access Control	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>			<b>X</b>	



- Security service
  - An abstract service that tries to achieve a security feature
  - can be realized with (or without) the help of cryptographic algorithms and protocols, e.g.
    - encryption of data on a hard disk
    - CD in a safe
- A cryptographic algorithm
  - mathematical transformations
  - used in cryptographic protocols
- A cryptographic protocol
  - Series of steps and messages to achieve a security goal



- Authentication
  - Digital Signature: data is provable received from the author
- Integrity
  - secures that a data is not modified without detection
- Confidentiality
  - data can only be understood by the recipient
- Access control
  - check that only authorized persons have access to services and information
- Repudiation
  - proves that the message is undeniably from the originator



- Symmetric encryption algorithms, e.g.
  - Feistel cipher
  - DES (Digital Encryption Standard)
  - AES (Advanced Encryption Standard)
- Cryptographic hash function
  - SHA-1, SHA-2
  - MD5
- Asymmetric encryption
  - RSA (Rivest, Shamir, Adleman)
  - El-Gamal
- Digital signatures (electronic signatures)
  - PGP (Phil Zimmermann), RSA

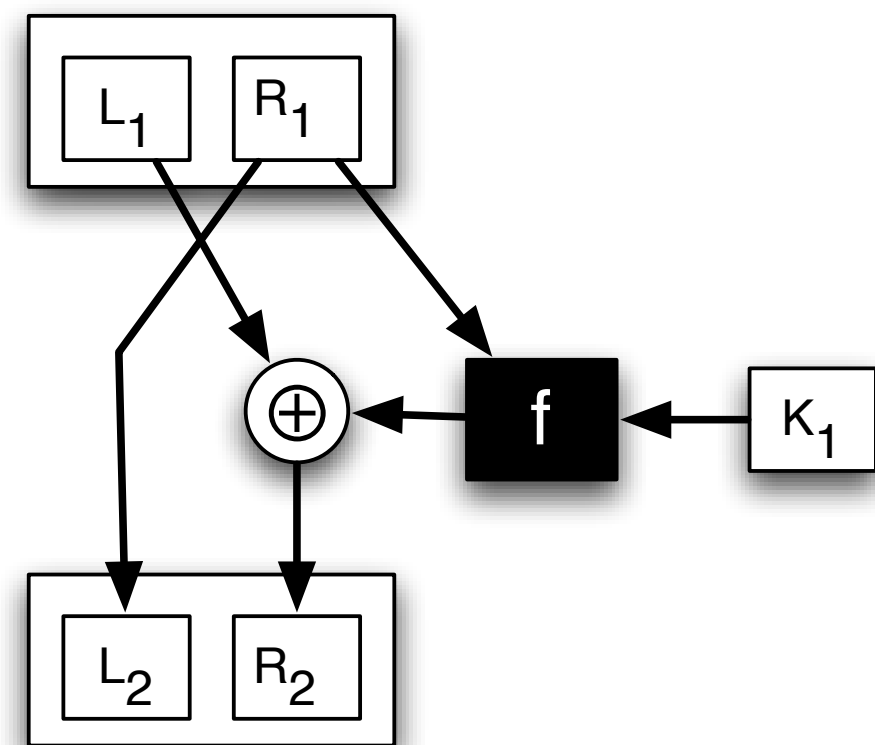


- E.g. Caesar's code, DES, AES
- Functions  $f$  and  $g$ , where
  - Encryption  $f$ 
    - $f(\text{key}, \text{text}) = \text{code}$
  - Decoding  $g$ :
    - $g(\text{key}, \text{code}) = \text{text}$
- The key
  - must remain secret
  - must be available to the sender and receiver



# Feistel Chiffre

- Splitting the message into two halves  $L_1, R_1$ 
  - Keys  $K_1, K_2, \dots$
  - Several rounds: Resulting code:  $L_n, R_n$
- encoding
  - $L_i = R_{i-1}$
  - $R_i = L_{i-1} \oplus f(R_{i-1}, K_i)$
- Decryption
  - $R_{i-1} = L_i$
  - $L_{i-1} = R_i \oplus f(L_i, K_i)$
- $f$  may be any complex function





- Skipjack
  - 80-bit symmetric code
  - is based on Feistel Cipher
  - low security
- RC5
  - 1-2048 bits key length
  - Rivest code 5 (1994)
  - Several rounds of the Feistel cipher



- Carefully selected combination of
  - Xor operations
  - Feistel cipher
  - permutations
  - table lookups
  - used 56-bit key
- 1975 developed at IBM
  - Now no longer secure
  - more powerful computers
  - New knowledge in cryptology
- Succeeded by: AES (2001)



- Carefully selected combination of
  - Xor operations
  - Feistel cipher
  - permutations
  - table lookups
  - multiplication in GF  $[2^8]$
  - 128, 192 or 256-bit symmetric key
- Joan Daemen and Vincent Rijmen
  - 2001 were selected as AES, among many
  - still considered secure



- E.g. SHA-1, SHA-2, MD5
- A cryptographic hash function  $h$  maps a text to a fixed-length code, so that
  - $h(\text{text}) = \text{code}$
  - it is impossible to find another text:
    - $h(\text{text}') = h(\text{text})$  and  $\text{text} \neq \text{text}'$
- Possible solution:
  - Using a symmetric cipher



- E.g. RSA, Ronald Rivest, Adi Shamir, Lenard Adleman, 1977
  - Diffie-Hellman, PGP
- Secret key: sk
  - Only the receivers of the message know the secret key
- Public key: pk
  - All participants know this key
- Generated by
  - $\text{keygen}(\text{sk}) = \text{pk}$
- Encryption function  $f$  and decryption function  $g$ 
  - Known to everybody
- Encryption
  - $f(\text{pk}, \text{text}) = \text{code}$
  - everybody can generate code
- Decryption
  - $g(\text{sk}, \text{code}) = \text{code}$
  - only possibly by receiver



# Example: RSA

- R. Rivest, A. Shamir, L. Adleman
  - On Digital Signatures and Public Key Cryptosystems, Communication of the ACM
- Algorithm is based on the computational complexity of integer factorization
- 1st example
  - $15 = ? * ?$
  - $15 = 3 * 5$
- 2nd example
  - $3865818645841127319129567277348359557444790410289933586483552047443 = 1234567890123456789012345678900209 * 3131313131313131313131313131300227$
- To this day no efficient integer factorization algorithm is known
  - Yet, multiplication can be done efficiently
  - Prime numbers can be found efficiently
    - Since prime numbers occur frequently
    - Efficient randomized prime number tests are available



- Generation of keys
  - Choose two random prime numbers  $p, q$  with  $k$  bits ( $k \geq 500$ ).
  - $n = p \cdot q$
  - $e$  is a number relatively prime to  $(p - 1) \cdot (q - 1)$ .
  - $d = e^{-1} \bmod (p - 1)(q - 1)$ 
    - i.e.  $d \cdot e \equiv 1 \bmod (p - 1)(q - 1)$
- Public key  $pk = (e, n)$
- Secret key  $sk = (d, n)$
- Encoding
  - Partition message in block sizes of  $2^k$  bits
  - Interpret block  $M$  as number  $0 \leq M < 2^{2k}$
  - Code:  $P(M) = M^e \bmod n$
- Decoding
  - $S(C) = C^d \bmod n$

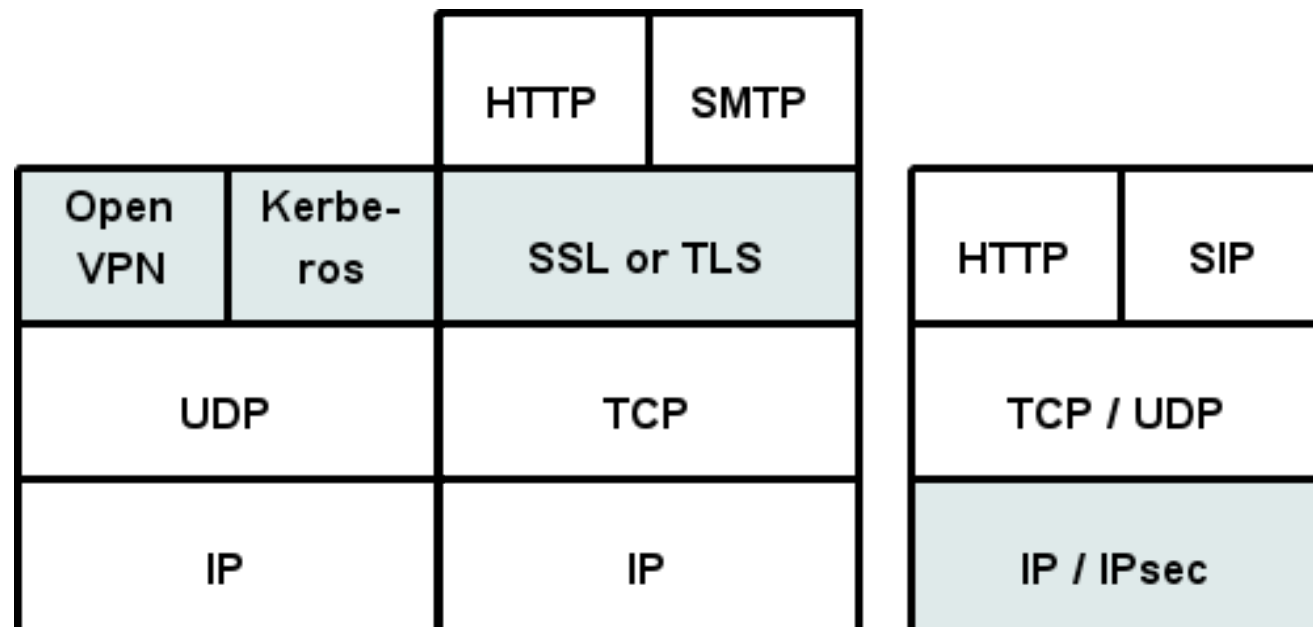


- Digital Signatures
  - signer has a secret key **sk**
  - document will be signed with the secret key
  - and can be verified with a public key **pk**
  - public key is known to all
- Example of a signature scheme
  - m: message
  - Signer
    - computes  **$h(\text{text})$**  with cryptographic hash function **h**
    - and publishes m and  
**signature = g (sk, h (text))**,  
**g** is the decryption function
  - Checker
    - computes  **$h(\text{text})$**
    - and verifies  
 **$f(\text{pk}, \text{signature}) = h(\text{text})$**   
for the asymmetric encryption function **f**



# Network Security on Different Layers

- Security measures could be hooked to different layers of the stack
  - Link layer: one `hop` (e.g. wireless link)
  - IP Layer (IP-Sec): transparent to application
  - Transport Layer (SSL/TLS): easy, widely used
  - Application Layer (PGP, S/MIME)





# SSL (Secure Socket Layer)

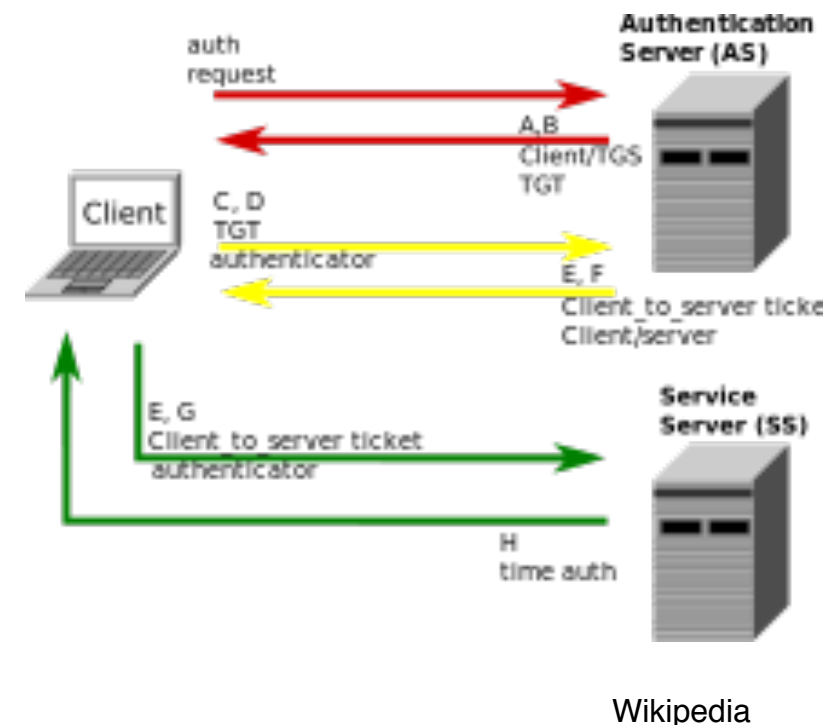
- Transport layer security service, yields secure channel
  - Secure byte stream
  - Optional public-key server authentication
  - Optional client authentication
- Development started by Netscape to offer secure Internet business
  - Used/Implemented with HTTP first (HTTPS, port 443)
  - Hash: combined MD5 & SHA
  - Encryption: Diffie Helman, RSA & DES, RC4
- Version 3 designed with public input; subsequently became Internet standard TLS (Transport Layer Security)
- Uses TCP to provide a reliable end-to-end service
  - Not restricted for secure web (HTTP) transactions
  - Useful for any TCP based service to be secured: HTTP, IMAP, POP, NNTP, telnet, telephony signaling



- Networking
  - uses UDP
  - creates SSL tunnel
  - Point to point
- Encryption
  - OpenSSL library with RSA, AES, RC5, MD4, SHA-2, ...
- Authentication by
  - pre-shared keys
  - certificates
  - user/password



- Authenticates
  - servers and client
  - protects against eavesdropping and replay attacks
- Networking
  - uses authentication server (AS)
  - client authenticates to the AS
    - via UDP
  - receives a ticket to connect to the service
- Encryption methods
  - DES, AES for communication
  - Public key during authentication (optionally)





- IP level security -> IPsec
- IPSEC is Internet Protocol SECurity
  - above the network layer
  - no alteration to the IP was needed
  - simply the transportation protocol was interchanged (or and additional security header introduced)
- Strong cryptography
  - Authentication ensures that packets are from the right sender and have not been altered in transit
  - Encryption prevents unauthorized reading of packet contents



- IPSEC: framework for encrypting the whole IP traffic that might occur
- In reality: mainly secure tunnels through untrusted networks
  - Every packet passing through the untrusted net
  - encrypted by the IPSEC gateway machine
  - decrypted by the gateway at the other end
- Another implementation of a Virtual Private Network (VPN)
  - Seen OpenVPN in practical as another example



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