#### (in)Secure Internet Communications

Trust issues on TLS, PKI, DNSSEC

(Alt title: 20 years of fail)

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**GRNET** – System Administration

Gennet – Linux-based broadband CPEs (IPv6 capable)

University of Ioannina – System Administration

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iloog - Greek gentoo-based livecd

GrRBL – Greek AntiSpam Blacklists

Greek AdBlock Plus filter - self-explanatory

Greek HTTPS Everywhere rules

Tormap

void.gr – My Blog



# Secure digital communications

• Security in the digital world needs strong crypto

- Counterparties:
  - How to authenticate ?  $\rightarrow$  PKI, DNSSEC
  - How to encrypt ?  $\rightarrow$  TLS
- TLS + PKI || TLS + DNSSEC (+PKI)



#### Trust

#### Who do you actually trust when you visit an HTTPS site ?

#### "Security is as strong as the weakest link in the chain"

#### So who's the weakest link in our secure comms?



# SSL/TLS

• Secure Sockets Layer / Transport Layer Security

designed to provide security over the Internet

- Use of X.509 certificates (public key crypto) to **authenticate** counterparty
- Exchange a symmetric session key which encrypts data
  - Data Confidentiality
  - Message Authentication Codes (Integrity)
- Client indicates need of TLS connection
  - Different service port (443, 465, 993, etc)
  - Same service port using STARTTLS



## **TLS Handshake**

- 1. ClientHello (version, ciphers, etc)
- 2. ServerHello (version, ciphers, certificate)
- 3. Client checks Server certificate

4. Client creates a secret pre-master key and encrypts it with server's public key, then sends the key to the server

5. Server decrypts pre-master key (using private key of certificate) and generates a master key. Client performs the same steps to generate a master key.

6. Client and server use master key to generate (symmetric) session-keys.

- 7. Client informs server of using session key. Client-side handshake ends.
- 8. Server informs client of using session key. Server-side handshake ends.
- 9. Start exchanging data!



# **TLS History**

SNP (Secure Network Programming API) ~ 1993

SSL 1.0 ~ 1994

SSL 2.0 ~ 02/1995 (Hickman, Kipp, "The SSL Protocol", Netscape)

SSL 3.0 ~ 11/1996 (draft-ietf-tls-ssl-version3-00)

TLS 1.0 ~ 01/1999 (RFC2246)

(aaaand 7 \$%@\$# years later...)

- TLS 1.1 ~ 04/2006 (RFC4346)
- TLS Extensions ~ 04/2006 (RFC4366)
- TLS Handshake Message for Supplemental Data ~ 09/2006 (RFC4680)
- TLS 1.2 ~ 08/2008 (RFC5246)
- TLS Renegotiation Indication Extension ~ 02/2010 (RFC5746)
- TLS Authorization Extensions ~ 05/2010 (RFC5878)

TLS Extensions: Extension Definition ~ 01/2011 (RFC6066)

Using OpenPGP keys for TLS Authentication ~ 02/2011 (RFC6091)

TLS Application Layer Protocol Negotiation (ALPN,ex NPN) ~ 03/2014 (draft-ietf-tls-applayerprotoneg-05)



# TLS History (extra)

#### So what happened from TLS1.0 to TLS1.1?





## SSL/TLS version diff

#### SSL 2.0 BAAAAD

- Prohibit use of SSL 2.0 ~ 03/2011 (RFC6176)
- MAC uses MD5
- MITM during handshake
- Message Integrity + Encryption uses the same key
- No separate session end message (MITM sends a TCP FIN and session gets dropped)
- SSL 3.0 vs SSL 2.0
  - Different handshake flows (SSL 2.0 has no pre-master key)
  - SSL 2.0 client picks the cipher vs SSL 3.0 server picks cipher
  - SSL 3.0 uses BSAFE 3.0 from RSA Data Security -> SHA-1
  - Protects against handshake MITM
  - No single certificate name (useful for vhosts)
- TLS 1.0 vs SSL 3.0
  - Key-Hashing for Message Authentication (HMAC vs MAC)
  - Enhanced Pseudorandom Function (PRF) uses XORed (MD5+SHA1)
  - Improved finished message verification (prf+hmac values)
  - Consistent certificate handling
  - Better alert messages
  - TLS 1.0 connections can be downgraded to SSL 3.0 (interoperability vs security)





# SSL/TLS version diff #2

#### • TLS 1.1 vs TLS 1.0

- Protection against Cipher Block Chaining attacks
  - implicit vs explicit IV
  - handling of padding errors

#### • TLS 1.2 vs TLS 1.1

- Replace MD5/SHA-1 combination in PRF with SHA-256 + cipher-suite-specified PRFs
- Cleanup to the client's and server's ability to specify which hash + signature algorithms they will accept
- Addition of support for authenticated encryption (GCM) with additional data modes
- TLS Extensions definition and AES Cipher Suites were merged in
- Tightened requirements
- Extensive alerts
- Mandatory TLS\_RSA\_WITH\_AES\_128\_CBC\_SHA cipher suite
- Added HMAC-SHA256 cipher suites
- Removed IDEA and DES cipher suites they are now deprecated



# The quest for Forward Secrecy

- Keep session keys secure in the case of a compromised private key
  - W/O FS if private key is compromised all future and past stored communications can be decrypted!
- Needs **DHE** (Diffie-Hellman Ephemeral) key exchange (TLS 1.0+)
- DOES NOT protect against cryptanalysis of ciphers!
- May 2014 ~ 9% of TLS-enabled websites provide proper FS (according to SSL Pulse)

CAUTION! TLS Session tickets always stored with AES128-CBC-SHA256 if that is compromised say bye bye to FS!



# TLS Present (extra)

#### TLS 1.2 in Browsers

Google Chrome 30+

Mozilla Firefox 27+

Internet Explorer 11+

Opera 17+

Safari (iOS) 5+

Safari (OS X) 7+

Popular Implementations OpenSSL (OpenSSL Project) GnuTLS (GnuTLS Project) NSS (Mozilla) Secure Transport (Apple)

Secure Channel/Security Support Provider Interface (Microsoft)

LibreSSL (not yet!)



## **TLS** Issues

Implementation (mostly) failures

- Predictable Netscape Seed (1994) seed = time of day + process ID + parent ID
- OpenSSL RSA keys timing attack (2003)
- Debian + OpenSSL md\_rand (2008)
- \* Certificates with MD5 signatures (2008)
- Certificate Null Byte Poisoning (2009)
- OpenSSL OCSP Stapling (2011)
- \* DUAL EC DRBG (backdoor?) (2013)
- Java SecureRandom (2013)
- Secure Transport "goto fail"
   (2014)
- Ruby insecure defaults (SSL2.0) (2014)
- GnuTLS "goto cleanup" (2014)
- OpenSSL Heartbleed (2014)
- ChangeCipherSpec Attack (05/06/2014)

#### (more) Protocol failures

- Injection during renegotiation attack (RFC5746)
- Downgrade attacks (to use weaker keys)
- BEAST (2011) (found 2002 by Rogaway)
  - CBC attack
  - mitigation: use a stream cipher -> RC4 or use TLS 1.1+
- CRIME (2012) (found 2002 by Kelsey)
  - data compression attack
  - mitigation: disable TLS compression
- Padding Oracle Lucky 13 (2013) (originally found in 2002 by Vaudenay)
- Truncation attacks (2013)
  - attacker injects TCP FIN to the server on client logout



## TLS Usage (2010)



| Protocol | Support | Best protocol |
|----------|---------|---------------|
| SSL v2.0 | 302,886 | -             |
| SSL v3.0 | 607,249 | 3,249         |
| TLS v1.0 | 604,242 | 603,404       |
| TLS v1.1 | 838     | 827           |
| TLS v1.2 | 11      | 11            |



# TLS Usage (2011)

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#### **Protocol Support**

Half of all trusted servers support the insecure SSL v2 protocol

- Modern browsers won't use it, but wide support for SSL v2 demonstrates how we neglect to give any attention to SSL configuration
- Virtually all servers support SSLv3 and TLS v1.0
- Virtually no support for TLS v1.1 (released in 2006) or TLS v1.2 (released in 2008)



| Protocol | Support | Best protocol |
|----------|---------|---------------|
| SSL v2.0 | 143,591 | 110           |
| SSL v3.0 | 298,078 | 5,205         |
| TLS v1.0 | 293,286 | 292,366       |
| TLS v1.1 | 916     | 854           |
| TLS v1.2 | 69      | 69            |



#### **TLS Usage**





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# Security Engineering

- Cryptographic research ~ 10 years ahead of security engineering
  - MD5 was known to be vulnerable (collisions) in the 90s, yet wasn't replaced with SHA-1 until mid-2000
  - Side channel attacks (BEAST, CRIME) known since mid-2000, yet fixed in 2010+
- Nothing gets re-engineered until a practical attack is made PUBLIC!

...or people get worried (Snowden)



# PKI

- X.509 (RFC5280 & RFC6818) ITU-T standard for PKI
  - public key certificates
  - certificate revocation lists
  - authorization certificates
  - certificate path validation algorithm
- part of X.500 standard (Electronic Directory Services) from the 80s...
- Strict hierarchical system (vs OpenPGP "web of trust")
- Certificate = signed(Identity + public key)

#### CAs

- CA validates (Identity) + signs certificate
- Public parts of CAs root certificates in our browsers  $\rightarrow$  signature validation
- SubCAs
  - CA's private key is **TOO** valuable
  - CAs create subCAs (intermediate certificate authorities)
- Certificate chain: CA  $\rightarrow$  subCA X  $\rightarrow$  subCA Y  $\rightarrow$  Certificate
- Validity
  - CA certificate: ~30 years
  - SubCA certificate: ~10-15 years
  - Certificate: 1-3 years



## **PKI Hierarchy**





# CA history

- There used to be only one CA... VeriSign Market share in 12/2013 (\*)
  - And it was a spin-off of RSA Security (1995)
- Then **Thawte** was created (1995)
- Then came GlobalSign (1996)
- Then came Comodo (1998)
- Then VeriSign bought Thawte (1999)
- Then came GeoTrust
- Then VeriSign also bought Geotrust (09/2006).
- Then Symantec bought VeriSign (2010)
  - VeriSign had already signed >3.000.000 certificates

| Symantec:   | 38.1% |
|-------------|-------|
| Comodo:     | 27.5% |
| GoDaddy:    | 14.3% |
| GlobalSign: | 10.5% |
| StartCom:   | 2.7%  |





(\*) Market share percentages is by w3techs and graph by netcraft (both for 2013 by they differ regarding GoDaddy vs Comodo size http://w3techs.com/technologies/overview/ssl certificate/all

http://www.netcraft.com/internet-data-mining/ssl-survey/

#### CA Usage

EFF's SSL Observatory results

• How many CAs do we trust ?

>100 Trust Roots (~60 Organizations)
1482 Trustable CAs by MS or Mozilla
651 Different Organizations with trustable CAs

 >50 Countries have their own CAs among them: CN, IR, TR, IN, etc in GR we have HARICA (certificate name constraints: .gr, .eu, .edu, .org)



## subCAs

What can you do with a subCA?

- Be a CA!
- Generate a valid certificate for any domain

Who has subCAs ?

- DHS (safe!)
- Etisalat (who wouldn't trust them?)
- Vodafone (remember GR spying?)
- Booz Allen Hamilton (did I say spying ?)
- Marks and Spencer (!??! lol why?)
  - \*We can't know!\*

How many subCAs per CA ? (SSL observatory)

- DT: 252
- CyberTrust: 93
- AddTrust: 72
- GlobalSign:63

#### SubCA + DPI = L.F.E. <3



#### Famous CA Failures

- CAs have signed certificates for 'localhost' (>6000 valid localhost certifications!)
- VeriSign gave a Code Signing Certificate to an individual who claimed he was from Microsoft (2001)
- VeriSign was repeatedly hacked in 2010 but they revealed it in 02/2012!
- "RSA Security 1024 V3" CA certificate (2010)
- Comodo Hacks (2011) by ComodoHacker
- DigiNotar Hacks (2011) by ComodoHacker
- GlobalSign web server was also hacked by ComodoHacker (2011)
- Trustwave gets caught selling subCA to a DLP solution (2012)
- TURKTRUST subCA signs \*.google.com certificate (2013)
  - subCA was placed inside a DPI
  - Google catches them red handed using certificate pinning
- ANSSI subCA signs certificates for Google domains "by mistake" (2013)

"the intermediate CA certificate was used in a commercial device, on a private network, to inspect encrypted traffic with the knowledge of the users on that network."



## Leap of faith

Can we know whether a certificate is "valid" ?

- Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP) RFC6960
  - Alternative to CRLs
  - It also doesn't really work/scale
  - Privacy concerns (client reqs over HTTP)
- OCSP Stapling (TLS Certificate Status Request) (RFC6066)
  - Instead of CAs replying to client OCSP reqs, server obtains a signed, time-stamped, OCSP response to send to clients
  - Only Firefox and Microsoft support it (Google doesn't like OCSP)
- Certificate pinning
  - Stick certain certificate fingerprints inside browser's code
  - !scale
- Certificate Transparency (RFC6962)
  - Public, auditable logs of certificates
- Perspectives / Convergence
  - Distributed checking of certificate fingerprints



#### DNSSEC

Who controls DNS

- DNS root?
  - IANA of ICANN (US organization)
- VeriSign (bought Network Solutions in 2000) runs .com/.org
- Every country owns(?) their own TLD(s)



#### **DNSSEC** Intro

Problem: how do we know DNS replies are to be trusted ? Solution: let's sign zone records with public key certificates

• NEW RR:

RRSIG: signed record of A,AAAA,NS,MX,TXT,etc DNSKEY: public keys (KSK,ZSK) in the zone NSEC/NSEC3: a way to handle NXDOMAIN DS Record: Reference of DNSKEY (KSK) in the parent zone.

- ZSK: key that signs the zone records
- KSK: key that signs the zone keys (can be exported as DS)







# **DNSSEC** History

- Domain Name System Security Extensions ~1995 (RFC2065)
- Domain Name System Security Extensions ~1999 (RFC2535)
- DNS Security Introduction and Requirements ~2006 (RFC4033/4034/4035)
- Minimally Covering NSEC Records and DNSSEC On-line Signing ~2006 (RFC4470)
- DNS Security (DNSSEC) Hashed Authenticated Denial of Existence ~2008 (RFC5155)
- Root zone signed/published ~ 07/2010



#### **DNSSEC + Certificates**

We can verify DNS records, why not use them for PKI?

- Storing Certificates in the Domain Name System (DNS) ~2006 (RFC4398)
- The DNS-Based Authentication of Named Entities (DANE) Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol: TLSA ~2012 (RFC6698)
- DNS Certification Authority Authorization (CAA) Resource Record ~2013 (RFC6844)

#### DANE

New RR: TLSA

- Fingerprint of a certificate signed by a CA
- Fingerprint of a self-signed certificate
  - so who needs CAs any more ?
- Symantec(VeriSign) biggest CA and .com/.org owner
  - No incentive to promote DNSSEC



#### **DNSSEC** trust

- ICANN (they control the root keys)
- "Every country owns(?) their own TLD(s)"
- Registrars!

Ever heard of a security aware registrar !?!?



#### PKI vs DNSSEC

#### Trust every (sub)CA vs Trust every registrar



#### Trust

Who do you actually trust when you visit an HTTPS site ?

#### How many organizations can you trust in the path ? For how long ?



#### Security in the interwebs

#### Theory vs Practice





# is everything useless? NO!

# Protocols and implementations will **ALWAYS** have flaws

We need better and more crypto!

ENCRYPT THE WEB: INSTALL HTTPS EVERYWHERE

#### The Future

Centralized trust has failed again and again...

#### Can I has decentralized trust plz ?



#### Thank You!

Questions ?

## **Interesting Links**

At least

https://www.trustworthyinternet.org/ssl-pulse/

https://www.ssllabs.com/projects/ssl-survey/

https://blog.skullsecurity.org/2013/padding-oracle-attacks-in-depth

http://resources.infosecinstitute.com/beast-vs-crime-attack/

https://media.blackhat.com/us-13/US-13-Smyth-Truncating-TLS-Connections-to-Violate-Beliefs-in-Web-Applications-WP.pdf

http://perspectives-project.org/

http://www.rijksoverheid.nl/bestanden/documenten-en-publicaties/rapporten/2012/08/13/black-tulip-update/black-tulip-update.pdf

http://w3techs.com/technologies/overview/ssl\_certificate/all

http://www.nic.cz/public\_media/IT11/prezentace/den2\_04\_peter\_eckersley.pdf

https://www.eff.org/files/colour\_map\_of\_CAs.pdf

https://bugzilla.mozilla.org/show\_bug.cgi?id=581901

https://www.harica.gr/documents/CPS-EN.pdf

https://www.eff.org/files/DefconSSLiverse.pdf

https://s3.amazonaws.com/files.cloudprivacy.net/ssl-mitm.pdf

https://bugzilla.mozilla.org/show\_bug.cgi?id=724929

https://www.imperialviolet.org/2014/04/29/revocationagain.html