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What is network-layer confidentiality ?

between two network entities:

- sending entity encrypts datagram payload, payload could be:
 - TCP or UDP segment, ICMP message, OSPF message
- All data sent from one entity to other would be hidden:
 - web pages, e-mail, P2P file transfers, TCP SYN packets
- "blanket coverage"

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Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)

motivation:

institutions often want private networks for security.

- costly: separate routers, links, DNS infrastructure.
- VPN: institution's inter-office traffic is sent over public Internet instead
 - encrypted before entering public Internet
 - logically separate from other traffic

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)



IPsec services

- data integrity
- origin authentication
- replay attack prevention
- confidentiality
- two protocols providing different service models:
 - AH
 - ESP

IPsec transport mode



- IPsec datagram emitted and received by end-system
- protects upper level protocols

IPsec – tunneling mode





 edge routers IPsecaware hosts IPsec-aware

Two IPsec protocols

- Authentication Header (AH) protocol
 - provides source authentication & data integrity but not confidentiality
- Encapsulation Security Protocol (ESP)
 - provides source authentication, data integrity, and confidentiality
 - more widely used than AH

Four combinations are possible!



Security associations (SAs)

- Set to be before sending data, "security association (SA)" established from sending to receiving entity
 - SAs are simplex: for only one direction
- ending, receiving entitles maintain state information about SA
 - recall: TCP endpoints also maintain state info
 - IP is connectionless; IPsec is connection-oriented!
- how many SAs in VPN w/ headquarters, branch office, and n traveling salespeople?

Example SA from R1 to R2



RI stores for SA:

- 32-bit SA identifier: Security Parameter Index (SPI)
- origin SA interface (200.168.1.100)
- destination SA interface (193.68.2.23)
- type of encryption used (e.g., 3DES with CBC)
- encryption key
- type of integrity check used (e.g., HMAC with MD5)
- authentication key

Security Association Database (SAD)

- endpoint holds SA state in security association database (SAD), where it can locate them during processing.
- with n salespersons, 2 + 2n SAs in RI's SAD
- when sending IPsec datagram, RI accesses SAD to determine how to process datagram.
- when IPsec datagram arrives to R2, R2 examines SPI in IPsec datagram, indexes SAD with SPI, and processes datagram accordingly.



focus for now on tunnel mode with ESP



What happens?



RI: convert original datagram to IPsec datagram

- appends to back of original datagram (which includes original header fields!) an "ESP trailer" field.
- encrypts result using algorithm & key specified by SA.
- appends to front of this encrypted quantity the "ESP header, creating "enchilada".
- creates authentication MAC over the whole enchilada, using algorithm and key specified in SA;
- appends MAC to back of enchilada, forming payload;
- creates brand new IP header, with all the classic IPv4 header fields, which it appends before payload.

Inside the enchilada:



- ESP trailer: Padding for block ciphers
- ESP header:
 - SPI, so receiving entity knows what to do
 - Sequence number, to thwart replay attacks
- ✤ MAC in ESP auth field is created with shared secret key

IPsec sequence numbers

- for new SA, sender initializes seq. # to 0
- each time datagram is sent on SA:
 - sender increments seq # counter
 - places value in seq # field
- ✤ goal:
 - prevent attacker from sniffing and replaying a packet
 - receipt of duplicate, authenticated IP packets may disrupt service
- method:
 - destination checks for duplicates
 - doesn't keep track of all received packets; instead uses a window
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Security Policy Database (SPD)

- policy: For a given datagram, sending entity needs to know if it should use IPsec
- needs also to know which SA to use
 - may use: source and destination IP address; protocol number
- info in SPD indicates "what" to do with arriving datagram
- info in SAD indicates "how" to do it

Summary: IPsec services



- suppose Trudy sits somewhere between R1 and R2. she doesn't know the keys.
 - will Trudy be able to see original contents of datagram? How about source, dest IP address, transport protocol, application port?
 - flip bits without detection?
 - masquerade as RI using RI's IP address?
 - replay a datagram?

IKE: Internet Key Exchange

- previous examples: manual establishment of IPsec SAs in IPsec endpoints:
 - Example SA
 - SPI: 12345 Source IP: 200.168.1.100 Dest IP: 193.68.2.23 Protocol: ESP Encryption algorithm: 3DES-cbc HMAC algorithm: MD5 Encryption key: 0x7aeaca... HMAC key:0xc0291f...
- manual keying is impractical for VPN with 100s of endpoints
- instead use IPsec IKE (Internet Key Exchange)

IKE: PSK and PKI

authentication (prove who you are) with either

- pre-shared secret (PSK) or
- with PKI (pubic/private keys and certificates).
- PSK: both sides start with secret
 - run IKE to authenticate each other and to generate IPsec SAs (one in each direction), including encryption, authentication keys
- PKI: both sides start with public/private key pair, certificate
 - run IKE to authenticate each other, obtain IPsec SAs (one in each direction).
 - similar with handshake in SSL.

IKE phases

- IKE has two phases
 - phase I: establish bi-directional IKE SA
 - note: IKE SA different from IPsec SA
 - aka ISAKMP security association
 - phase 2: ISAKMP is used to securely negotiate IPsec pair of SAs
- phase I has two modes: aggressive mode and main mode
 - aggressive mode uses fewer messages
 - main mode provides identity protection and is more flexible



- IKE message exchange for algorithms, secret keys, SPI numbers
- either AH or ESP protocol (or both)
 - AH provides integrity, source authentication
 - ESP protocol (with AH) additionally provides encryption
- IPsec peers can be two end systems, two routers/firewalls, or a router/firewall and an end system

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WEP design goals



- symmetric key crypto
 - confidentiality
 - end host authorization
 - data integrity



- self-synchronizing: each packet separately encrypted
 - given encrypted packet and key, can decrypt; can continue to decrypt packets when preceding packet was lost (unlike Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) in block ciphers)
- Efficient
 - implementable in hardware or software

Review: symmetric stream ciphers



- combine each byte of keystream with byte of plaintext to get ciphertext:
 - m(i) = ith unit of message
 - ks(i) = ith unit of keystream
 - c(i) = ith unit of ciphertext
 - $c(i) = ks(i) \oplus m(i)$ ($\oplus = exclusive or$)
 - m(i) = ks(i) ⊕ c(i)
- WEP uses RC4

Stream cipher and packet independence

- recall design goal: each packet separately encrypted
- if for frame n+1, use keystream from where we left off for frame n, then each frame is not separately encrypted
 - need to know where we left off for packet n
- WEP approach: initialize keystream with key + new IV for each packet:



WEP



- The industry's solution: WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy)
 - Share a single cryptographic key among all devices
 - Encrypt all packets sent over the air, using the shared key
 - Use a checksum to prevent injection of spoofed packets

WEP - A Little More Detail



WEP uses the RC4 stream cipher to encrypt a TCP/IP packet (P) by xor-ing it with keystream (RC4(K, IV))

A Property of RC4

Keystream leaks, under known-plaintext attack

- Suppose we intercept a ciphertext C, and suppose we can guess the corresponding plaintext P
- Let Z = RC4(K, IV) be the RC4 keystream
- Since $C = P \oplus Z$, we can derive the RC4 keystream Z by $P \oplus C = P \oplus (P \oplus Z) = Z$
- This is not a problem ... unless keystream is reused!

A Risk of Keystream Reuse



- If IV's repeat, confidentiality is at risk
 - If we send two ciphertexts (C, C') using the same IV, then the xor of plaintexts leaks ($P \oplus P' = C \oplus C'$), which might reveal both plaintexts
- Lesson: If RC4 isn't used carefully, it becomes insecure

A Risk With RC4

- If any IV ever repeats, confidentiality is at risk
 - Suppose P, P' are two plaintexts encrypted with same IV
 - Let Z = RC4(key, IV); then the two ciphertexts are $C = P \oplus Z$ and $C' = P' \oplus Z$
 - Note that $C \oplus C' = P \oplus P'$, hence the xor of both plaintexts is revealed
 - If there is redundancy, this may reveal both plaintexts
 - Or, if we can guess one plaintext, the other is leaked
- So: If RC4 isn't used carefully, it becomes insecure

Attack #I: Keystream Reuse

WEP didn't use RC4 carefully

- The problem: IV's frequently repeat
 - The IV is often a counter that starts at zero
 - Hence, rebooting causes IV reuse
 - Also, there are only 16 million possible IV's, so after intercepting enough packets, there are sure to be repeats
- > Attackers can eavesdrop on 802.11 traffic
 - An eavesdropper can decrypt intercepted ciphertexts even without knowing the key

WEP -- Even More Detail



Attack #2: Spoofed Packets

Attackers can inject forged 802.11 traffic

- Learn RC4(K, IV) using previous attack
- Since the checksum is unkeyed, you can then create valid ciphertexts that will be accepted by the receiver
- > Attackers can bypass 802.11 access control
 - All computers attached to wireless net are exposed

Attack #3: Reaction Attacks



TCP ACKnowledgement appears
 TCP checksum on received (modified) packet is valid
 P & 0x0101 has exactly 1 bit set

> Attacker can recover plaintext (P) without breaking RC4

Summary So Far

None of WEP's goals are achieved

 Confidentiality, integrity, access control: all insecure

802.11i: improved security

- numerous (stronger) forms of encryption possible
- provides key distribution
- uses authentication server separate from access point

802.11i: four phases of operation



EAP: extensible authentication protocol

- EAP: end-end client (mobile) to authentication server protocol
- EAP sent over separate "links"
 - mobile-to-AP (EAP over LAN)
 - AP to authentication server (RADIUS over UDP)



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- firewall

isolates organization's internal net from larger Internet, allowing some packets to pass, blocking others



Firewalls: why

prevent denial of service attacks:

SYN flooding: attacker establishes many bogus TCP connections, no resources left for "real" connections

prevent illegal modification/access of internal data

 e.g., attacker replaces CIA's homepage with something else allow only authorized access to inside network

set of authenticated users/hosts

three types of firewalls:

- stateless packet filters
- stateful packet filters
- application gateways



- internal network connected to Internet via router firewall
- router filters packet-by-packet, decision to forward/drop packet based on:
 - source IP address, destination IP address
 - TCP/UDP source and destination port numbers
 - ICMP message type
 - TCP SYN and ACK bits

Stateless packet filtering: example

- example 1: block incoming and outgoing datagrams with IP protocol field = 17 and with either source or dest port = 23
 - result: all incoming, outgoing UDP flows and telnet connections are blocked
- example 2: block inbound TCP segments with ACK=0.
 - result: prevents external clients from making TCP connections with internal clients, but allows internal clients to connect to outside.

Stateless packet filtering: more examples

Policy	Firewall Setting			
No outside Web access.	Drop all outgoing packets to any IP address, port 80			
No incoming TCP connections, except those for institution's public Web server only.	Drop all incoming TCP SYN packets to any IP except 130.207.244.203, port 80			
Prevent Web-radios from eating up the available bandwidth.	Drop all incoming UDP packets - except DNS and router broadcasts.			
Prevent your network from being used for a smurf DoS attack.	Drop all ICMP packets going to a "broadcast" address (e.g. 130.207.255.255).			
Prevent your network from being tracerouted	Drop all outgoing ICMP TTL expired traffic			

Access Control Lists

* ACL: table of rules, applied top to bottom to incoming packets: (action, condition) pairs

action	source address	dest address	protocol	source port	dest port	flag bit
allow	222.22/16	outside of 222.22/16	TCP	> 1023	80	any
allow	outside of 222.22/16	222.22/16	ТСР	80	80 > 1023	
allow	222.22/16	outside of 222.22/16	UDP	> 1023	53	
allow	outside of 222.22/16	222.22/16	UDP	53	> 1023	
deny	all	all	all	all	all	all

Stateful packet filtering

- stateless packet filter: heavy handed tool
 - admits packets that "make no sense," e.g., dest port = 80, ACK bit set, even though no TCP connection established:

action	source address	dest address	protocol	source port	dest port	flag bit
allow	outside of 222.22/16	222.22/16	TCP	80	> 1023	ACK

- stateful packet filter: track status of every TCP connection
 - track connection setup (SYN), teardown (FIN): determine whether incoming, outgoing packets "makes sense"
 - timeout inactive connections at firewall: no longer admit packets

Stateful packet filtering

 ACL augmented to indicate need to check connection state table before admitting packet

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deny	all	all	all	all	all	all	

Application gateways filters packets on application data as well as on IP/TCP/UDP fields. example: allow select internal

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Limitations of firewalls, gateways

- IP spoofing: router can't know if data "really" comes from claimed source
- if multiple app's. need
 special treatment, each has
 own app. gateway
- client software must know how to contact gateway.
 - e.g., must set IP address of proxy in Web browser

- filters often use all or nothing policy for UDP
- tradeoff: degree of communication with outside world, level of security
- many highly protected sites still suffer from attacks

Intrusion detection systems

packet filtering:

- operates on TCP/IP headers only
- no correlation check among sessions
- IDS: intrusion detection system
 - deep packet inspection: look at packet contents (e.g., check character strings in packet against database of known virus, attack strings)
 - examine correlation among multiple packets
 - port scanning
 - network mapping
 - DoS attack

Intrusion detection systems

multiple IDSs: different types of checking at different locations



Network Security (summary)

basic techniques.....

- cryptography (symmetric and public)
- message integrity
- end-point authentication
- used in many different security scenarios
 - secure email
 - secure transport (SSL)
 - IP sec
 - 802.11

operational security: firewalls and IDS