



SSL Secure Sockets Layer

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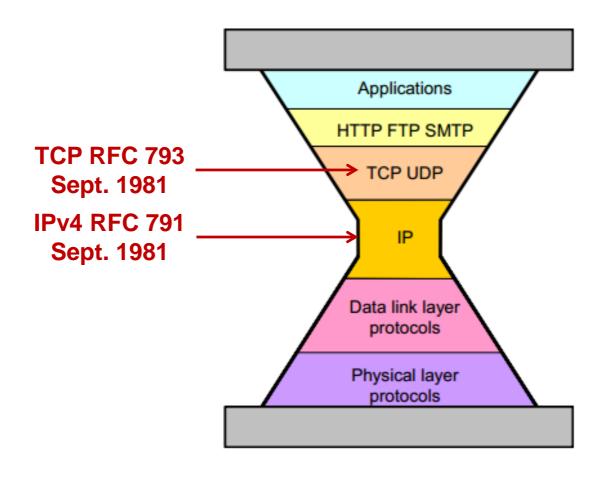






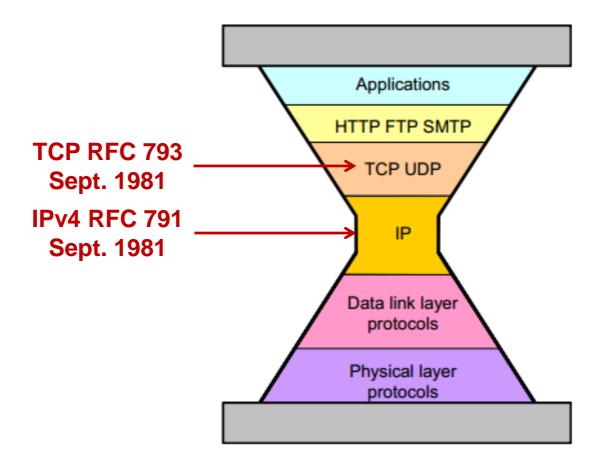
Internet Hourglass Model TCP/IP







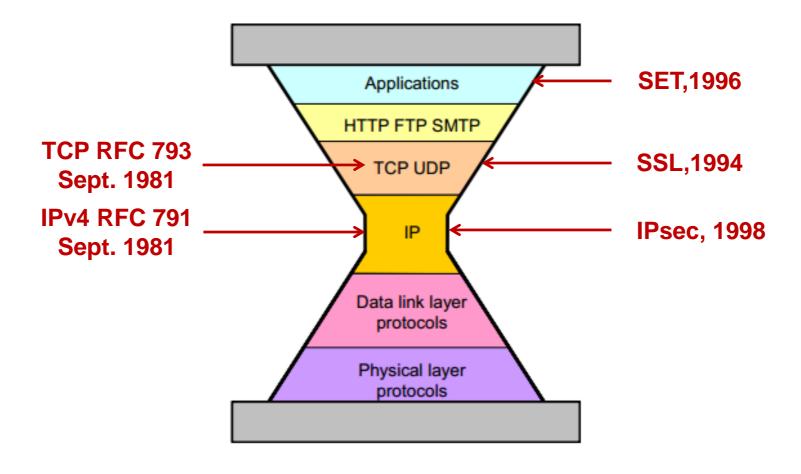




Where to inject security?

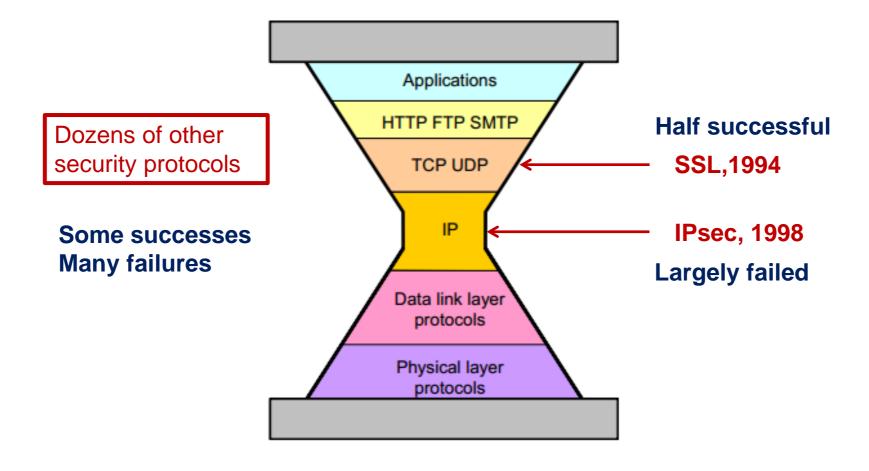






























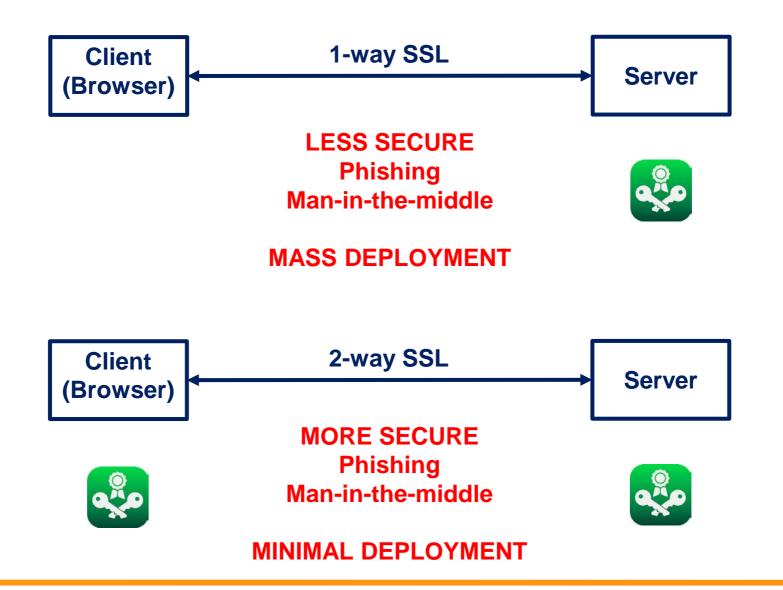














The SSL Lesson



- ➤ Client-less trumps client-full
- > Start-ups (SSL) trump committees (IPSEC)





SSL Details



SSL



- layered on top of TCP
- > SSL versions 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 3.1
- Netscape protocol
- later refitted as IETF standard TLS (Transport Layer Security)
- > TLS 1.0 very close to SSL 3.1



SSL



- > application protocol independent
- does not specify how application protocols add security with SSL
 - how to initiate SSL handshaking
 - how to interpret certificates
- left to designers of upper layer protocols to figure out



SSL vs TCP Ports



https 443

ssmtp 465

• snntp 563

• sldap 636

spop3 995

• ftp-data 889

• ftps 990

imaps 991

• telnets 992

• ircs 993



SSL Services



- peer entity authentication
- data confidentiality
- data authentication and integrity
- > compression/decompression
- generation/distribution of session keys
 - integrated into protocol
- security parameter negotiation



SSL Architecture



SSL Handshake Protocol	SSL Change Cipher Spec Protocol	SSL Alert Protocol	HTTP	Other Application Protocols	
SSL Record Protocol					
TCP					
IP					



SSL Architecture



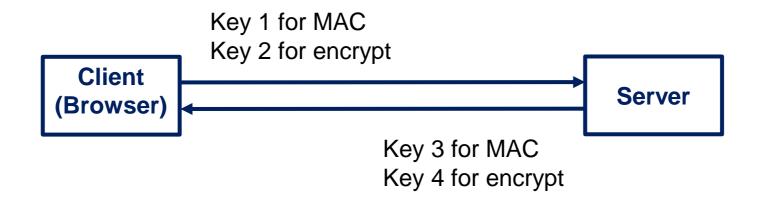
- Handshake protocol: complicated
 - embodies key exchange & authentication
 - runs in plaintext
 - 10 message types
- Change Cipher Spec protocol: straightforward
 - single 1 byte message with value 1
 - could be considered part of handshake protocol
 - transitions from plaintext to encrypted and mac'ed
- Record protocol: straightforward
 - fragment, compress, MAC, encrypt
 - uses 4 symmetric keys
- Alert protocol: straightforward
 - 2 byte messages
 - 1 byte alert level- fatal or warning; 1 byte alert code



SSL Record Protocol



4 symmetric keys





SSL Record Protocol



- > 4 steps by sender (reversed by receiver)
 - Fragmentation
 - Compression
 - MAC
 - Encryption



SSL Record Protocol



- > each SSL record contains
 - content type: 8 bits, only 4 defined
 - change_cipher_spec
 - alert
 - handshake
 - application_data
 - protocol version number: 8 bits major, 8 bits minor
 - length: max 16K bytes (actually 2¹⁴+2048)
 - data payload: optionally compressed and encrypted
 - message authentication code (MAC)



SSL Handshake Protocol



- initially SSL session has null compression and cipher algorithms
- both are set by the handshake protocol at beginning of session
- handshake protocol may be repeated during the session



SSL Session



- SSL session negotiated by handshake protocol
 - session ID
 - chosen by server
 - X.509 public-key certificate of peer
 - possibly null
 - compression algorithm
 - cipher spec
 - encryption algorithm
 - message digest algorithm
 - master secret
 - 48 byte shared secret
 - is resumable flag
 - can be used to initiate new connections
 - each session is created with one connection, but additional connections within the session can be further created



SSL Connection State



- connection end: client or server
- client and server random: 32 bytes each
- keys generated from master secret, client/server random
 - client_write_MAC_secret server_write_MAC_secret
 - client_write_key server_write_key
 - client_write_IV server_write_IV
- compression state
- cipher state: initially IV, subsequently next feedback block
- sequence number: starts at 0, max 2⁶⁴-1



SSL Connection State



- 4 parts to state
 - current read state
 - current write state
 - pending read state
 - pending write state
- handshake protocol
 - initially current state is empty
 - either pending state can be made current and reinitialized to empty





- > Type: 1 byte
 - 10 message types defined
- > length: 3 bytes
- > content





Phase 1	Client		Server	
i ilase i	ClientHello	>		
			ServerHello	
			Certificate*	
Phase 2			ServerKeyExchange*	
rnase z			CertificateRequest*	
		<	ServerHelloDone	
Phase 3	Certificate* ClientKeyExchange CertificateVerify*			
_	[ChangeCipherSpec]			
5 .	Finished	>		
Phase 4			[ChangeCipherSpec]	
		<	Finished	
	Application Data	<>	Application Data	
Record Protocol	Fig. 1 - Message fl	ow for a full	handshake	
	* Indicates optional or situation-dependent messages that are not always sent.			





- > Phase 1:
 - Establish security capabilities
- Phase 2:
 - Server authentication and key exchange
- Phase 3:
 - Client authentication and key exchange
- > Phase 4:
 - Finish





- these handshake messages must occur in order
- optional messages can be eliminated
- 10th message
 - hello_request
 - can be sent anytime from server to client to request client to start handshake protocol to renegotiate session
- change_cipher_spec is a separate 1 message protocol
 - functionally just like a message in the handshake protocol



SSL 1-Way Handshake with RSA



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Phase 2			ServerKeyExchange*	
Phase 2			CertificateRequest*	
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Phase 3	ClientKeyExchange			
	CertificateVerify*			
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SSL Handshake Phase 1



- Establish security capabilities
- client hello message
 - ❖ 4 byte timestamp, 28 byte random value
 - session ID:
 - non-zero for new connection on existing session
 - zero for new connection on new session
 - client version: highest version
 - cipher_suite list: ordered list
 - key exchange method, encryption method, MAC method
 - compression list: ordered list
- server hello message
 - 32 byte random value
 - session ID:
 - new or reuse
 - version
 - lower of client suggested and highest supported
 - cipher_suite list: single choice
 - compression list: single choice



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SSL RSA 1-way Handshake Phase 2



- Server authentication and key exchange
- certificate message
 - server's X.509v3 certificate followed by optional chain of certificates
 - required for RSA
- server done message
 - ends phase 2, always required



SSL 1-Way Handshake with RSA



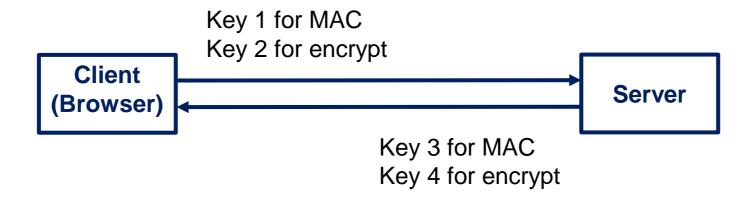
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SSL 1-way Handshake Phase 3



- Client authentication and key exchange
- client key exchange message
 - client generates 48-byte pre-master secret, encrypts with server's RSA public key
- client and server compute 48 byte master secret
 - using 48-byte pre-master secret, ClientHello.random, ServerHello.random
- client and server compute 4 symmetric keys from master secret





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SSL 1-way RSA Handshake Phase 4



- Finish and move to record protocol
- change cipher spec message
 - not considered part of handshake protocol but in some sense is part of it
 - 1 byte message protected by current state
 - copies pending state to current state
- Finished message
 - sent under new algorithms and keys
 - content is MAC of all previous messages with master secret and constant "client finished" or "server finished"



SSL 1-Way Handshake with RSA



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SSL 2-Way Handshake with RSA



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			Certificate*	
Phase 2		_	ServerKeyExchange*	
			CertificateRequest*	
		<	ServerHelloDone	
Phase 3	Certificate*			
	ClientKeyExchange			
	CertificateVerify*			
	[ChangeCipherSpec]			
Phase 4	Finished	>		
			[ChangeCipherSpec]	
		<	Finished	
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SSL RSA 2-way Handshake Phase 2



- Server authentication and key exchange
- certificate message
 - server's X.509v3 certificate followed by optional chain of certificates
 - required for RSA
- certificate request message
 - request a certificate from client
 - specifies Certificate Type and Certificate Authorities
- > server done message
 - ends phase 2, always required



SSL 2-way Handshake Phase 3



- Client authentication and key exchange
- certificate message
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- certificate verify message
 - signs hash of master secret (established by key exchange) and all handshake messages so far
- client and server compute 48 byte master secret
 - using 48-byte pre-master secret, ClientHello.random, ServerHello.random
- client and server compute 4 symmetric keys from master secret



SSL Alert Protocol



- 2 byte alert messages
 - 1 byte level
 - fatal or warning
 - 1 byte
 - alert code



SSL Alert Messages



Warning or fatal

```
close notify(0),
unexpected_message(10),
bad record mac(20),
decryption_failed(21),
record overflow(22),
decompression failure(30),
handshake failure(40),
bad certificate(42),
unsupported_certificate(43),
certificate revoked(44),
certificate_expired(45),
certificate unknown(46),
illegal_parameter(47),
unknown_ca(48),
access_denied(49),
decode_error(50),
decrypt_error(51),
export_restriction(60),
protocol_version(70),
insufficient_security(71),
internal error(80),
user_canceled(90),
no renegotiation(100),
```



SSL Alert Messages



- always fatal
 - unexpected_message
 - bad_record_mac
 - decompression_failure
 - handshake_failure
 - illegal_parameter





SSL Man-in-the-Middle (MITM) Attack

The Institute for Cyber Security

1-way SSL MITM







RSA encryption certificate





SSL Lock Icon Evolution by Browser-

ΙE







Firefox:







Chrome:



Safari:





Opera:



Konqueror: 💖

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RSA encryption certificate





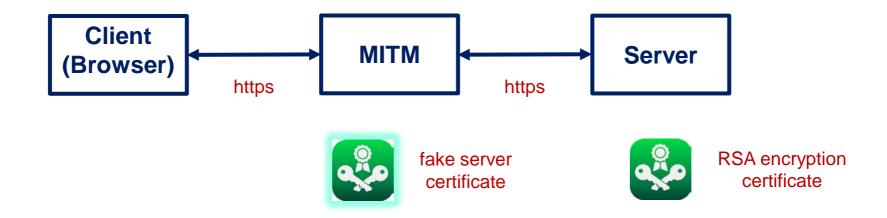




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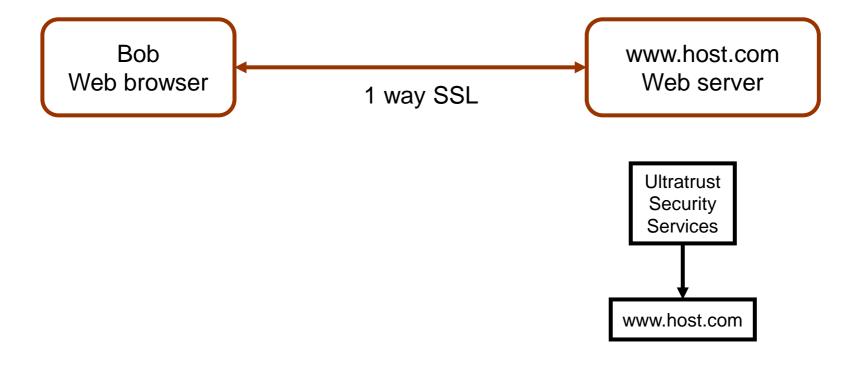






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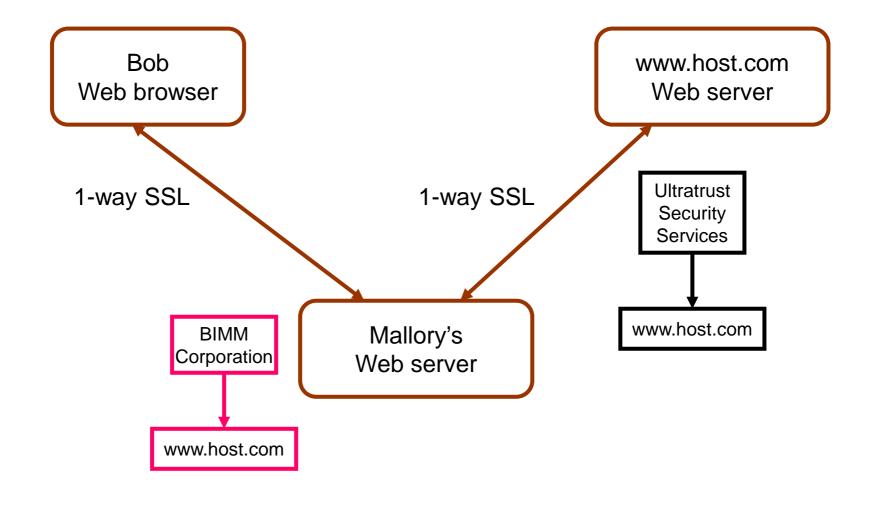






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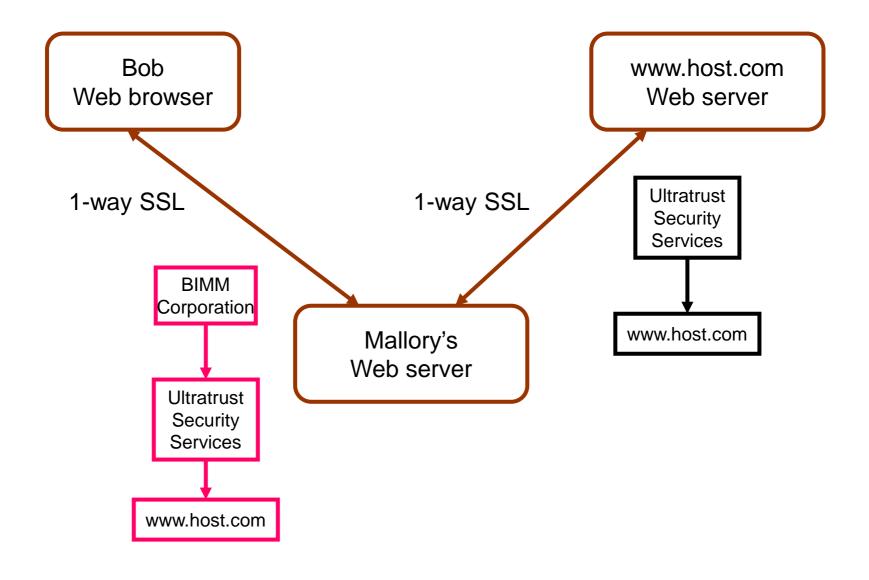






Server-Side Masquerading













fake server certificate



RSA encryption certificate



RSA signature certificate



fake client certificate





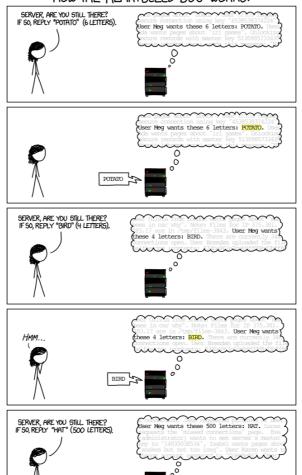
OpenSSL Heartbleed Attack

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