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# Supporting Crypto

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- All parts of SSL use them
- Initial phase: public key system exchanges keys
  - Messages enciphered using classical ciphers, checksummed using cryptographic checksums
  - Only certain combinations allowed
    - Depends on algorithm for interchange cipher
  - Interchange algorithms: RSA, Diffie-Hellman, Fortezza

# RSA: Cipher, MAC Algorithms in SSL

<i>Interchange cipher</i>	<i>Classical cipher</i>	<i>MAC Algorithm</i>
RSA, key $\leq 512$ bits	<i>none</i>	MD5, SHA
	RC4, 40-bit key	MD5
	RC2, 40-bit key, CBC mode	MD5
	DES, 40-bit key, CBC mode	SHA
RSA	<i>None</i>	MD5, SHA
	RC4, 128-bit key	MD5, SHA
	IDEA, CBC mode	SHA
	DES, CBC mode	SHA
	DES, EDE mode, CBC mode	SHA

# RSA: Cipher, MAC Algorithms in TLS

<i>Interchange cipher</i>	<i>Classical cipher</i>	<i>MAC Algorithm</i>
RSA	<i>None</i>	MD5, SHA, SHA256
	DES, EDE mode, CBC mode	SHA
	AES (128-bit key), CBC mode	SHA, SHA256
	AES (256-bit key), CBC mode	SHA, SHA256

# Diffie-Hellman: Types

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- Diffie-Hellman: certificate contains D-H parameters, signed by a CA
  - DSS or RSA algorithms used to sign
- Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman: DSS or RSA certificate used to sign D-H parameters
  - Parameters not reused, so not in certificate
- Anonymous Diffie-Hellman: D-H with neither party authenticated
  - Use is “strongly discouraged” as it is vulnerable to attacks

# D-H: Cipher, MAC Algorithms in SSL

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<i>Interchange cipher</i>	<i>Classical cipher</i>	<i>MAC Algorithm</i>
Diffie-Hellman, DSS or RSA Certificate	DES, 40-bit key, CBC mode	SHA
	DES, CBC mode	SHA
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Diffie-Hellman, key $\leq 512$ bits RSA Certificate	DES, 40-bit key, CBC mode	SHA

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# Ephemeral D-H: Cipher, MAC Algorithms in SSL

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	DES, EDE mode, CBC mode	SHA
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# Anonymous D-H: Cipher, MAC Algorithms in SSL

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Anonymous D-H, DSS Certificate	RC4, 40-bit key	MD5
	RC4, 128-bit key	MD5
	DES, 40-bit key, CBC mode	SHA
	DES, CBC mode	SHA
	DES, EDE mode, CBC mode	SHA
Anonymous Diffie-Hellman, key $\leq 512$ bits, RSA Certificate	RC4, 40-bit key	MD5
	DES, 40-bit key, CBC mode	SHA

# Anonymous D-H: Cipher, MAC Algorithms in TLS

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Anonymous D-H, DSS Certificate	DES, EDE mode, CBC mode	SHA
	AES, 128-bit key, CBC mode	SHA, SHA256
	AES, 256-bit key, CBC mode	SHA, SHA256

# Fortezza: Cipher, MAC Algorithms

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<i>Interchange cipher</i>	<i>Classical cipher</i>	<i>MAC Algorithm</i>
Fortezza key exchange	<i>none</i>	SHA
	RC4, 128-bit key	MD5
	Fortezza, CBC mode	SHA

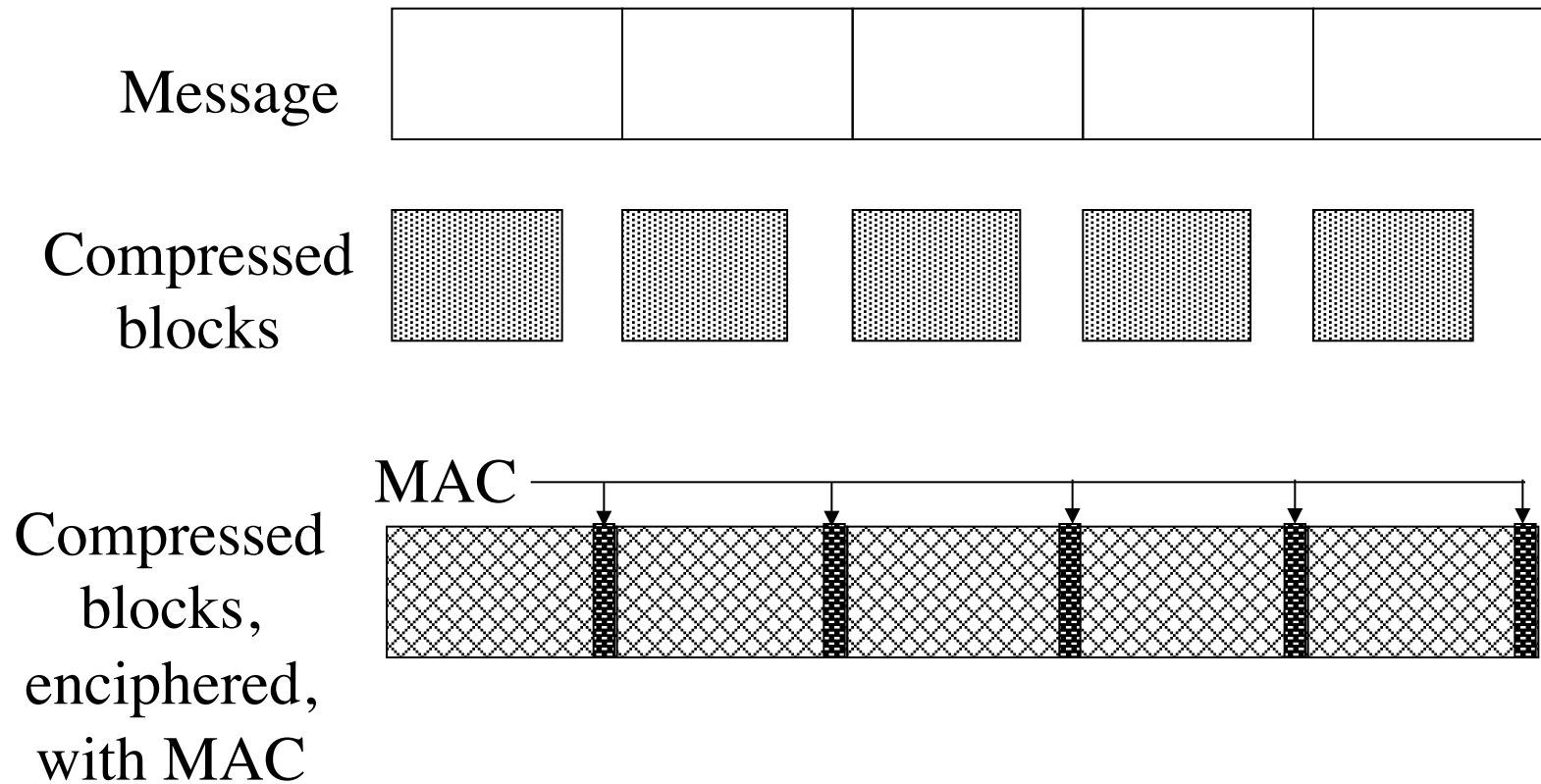
# Digital Signatures

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- RSA
  - Concatenate MD5 and SHA hashes
  - Sign with public key
- Diffie-Hellman, Fortezza
  - Compute SHA hash
  - Sign appropriately

# SSL Record Layer

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# Record Protocol Overview

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- Lowest layer, taking messages from higher
  - Max block size 16,384 bytes
  - Bigger messages split into multiple blocks
- Construction
  - Block  $b$  compressed; call it  $b_c$
  - MAC computed for  $b_c$ 
    - If MAC key not selected, no MAC computed
  - $b_c$ , MAC enciphered
    - If enciphering key not selected, no enciphering done
  - SSL record header prepended

# SSL MAC Computation

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- Symbols

- $h$  hash function (MD5 or SHA)
- $k_w$  write MAC key of entity
- $ipad = 0x36$ ,  $opad = 0x5C$ 
  - Repeated to block length (from HMAC)
- $seq$  sequence number
- $SSL\_comp$  message type
- $SSL\_len$  block length

- MAC

$h(k_w \parallel opad \parallel h(k_w \parallel ipad \parallel seq \parallel SSL\_comp \parallel SSL\_len \parallel block))$



# TLS MAC Computation

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- Symbols

- $h$  hash function (SHA256)
- $k_w$  MAC write key of entity
- $seq$  sequence number
- $TLS\_comp$  message type
- $TLS\_vers$  version of TLS
- $TLS\_len$  block length

- MAC

$$h(k_w \parallel seq \parallel TLS\_comp \parallel TLS\_vers \parallel TLS\_len \parallel block)$$

# SSL Handshake Protocol

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- Used to initiate connection
  - Sets up parameters for record protocol
  - 4 rounds
- Upper layer protocol
  - Invokes Record Protocol
- Note: what follows assumes client, server using RSA as interchange cryptosystem

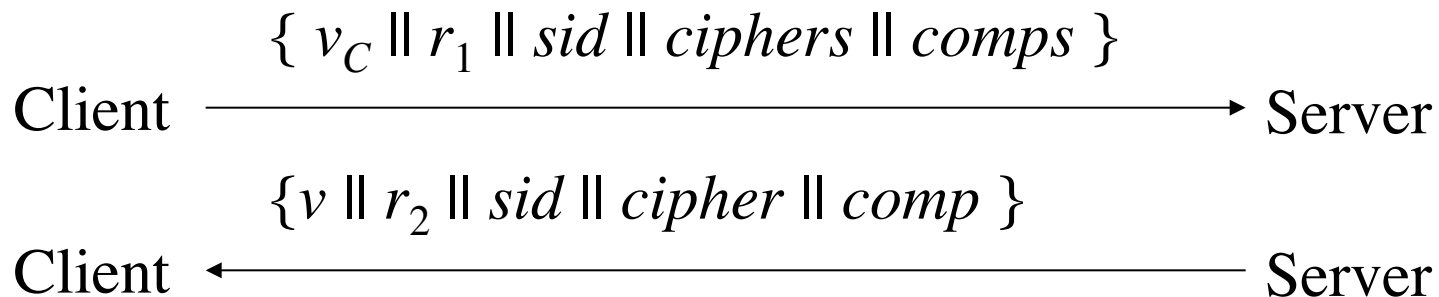
# Overview of Rounds

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1. Create SSL connection between client, server
2. Server authenticates itself
3. Client validates server, begins key exchange
4. Acknowledgments all around

# Handshake Round 1

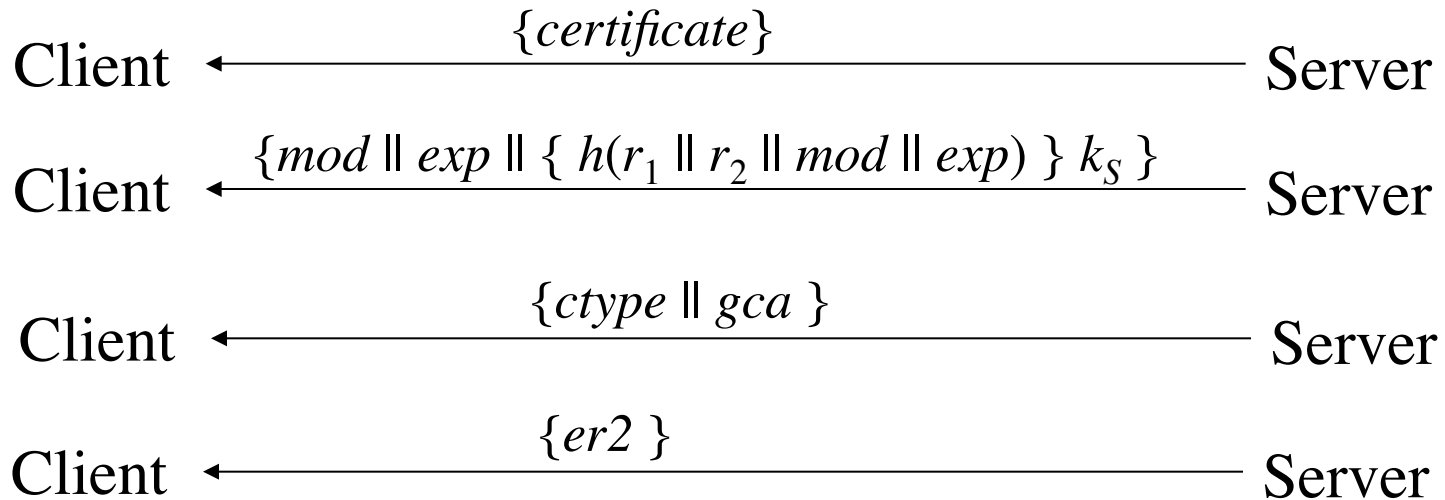
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$v_C$	Client's version of SSL
$v$	Highest version of SSL that Client, Server both understand
$r_1, r_2$	nonces (timestamp and 28 random bytes)
$s_1$	Current session id (0 if new session)
$s_2$	Current session id (if $s_1 = 0$ , new session id)
$ciphers$	Ciphers that client understands
$comps$	Compression algorithms that client understand
$cipher$	Cipher to be used
$comp$	Compression algorithm to be used

# Handshake Round 2

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Note: if Server not to authenticate itself, only last message sent; third step omitted if Server does not need Client certificate

$k_S$  Server's private key

$ctype$  Certificate type requested (by cryptosystem)

$gca$  Acceptable certification authorities

$er2$  End round 2 message

# Handshake Round 3

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- Both parties compute a master secret from a given *premaster*
  - Used to generate keys for reading and writing

# Handshake Round 3, SSL master

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$master = MD5(pre \parallel SHA('A' \parallel pre \parallel r_1 \parallel r_2) \parallel$

$MD5(pre \parallel SHA('BB' \parallel pre \parallel r_1 \parallel r_2) \parallel$

$MD5(pre \parallel SHA('CCC' \parallel pre \parallel r_1 \parallel r_2))$

$key\_block = MD5(master \parallel SHA('A' \parallel master \parallel r_1 \parallel r_2)) \parallel$

$MD5(master \parallel SHA('BB' \parallel master \parallel r_1 \parallel r_2)) \parallel$

$MD5(master \parallel SHA('CCC' \parallel master \parallel r_1 \parallel r_2)) \parallel$

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# Handshake Round 3, TLS master

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$A(i) = \text{HMAC\_hash}(\text{secret}, A(i-1)); A(0) = \textit{seed}$

$P\_hash(x, \textit{seed}) = \text{HMAC\_hash}(\text{secret}, A(1) \parallel \textit{seed}) \parallel$

$\text{HMAC\_hash}(\text{secret}, A(2) \parallel \textit{seed}) \parallel$

$\text{HMAC\_hash}(\text{secret}, A(3) \parallel \textit{seed}) \parallel \dots$

$\text{PRF}(\text{secret}, \textit{label}, \textit{seed}) = P\_hash(\text{secret}, \textit{label} \parallel \textit{seed})$

$\textit{master} = \text{PRF}(\textit{pre}, \textit{“master secret”}, r1 \parallel r2)$

$\textit{key\_block} = \text{PRF}(\textit{master}, \textit{“key expansion”}, r1 \parallel r2)$



# Handshake Round 3

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Client  $\xrightarrow{\{pre\}K_{server}}$  Server

Both Client, Server compute master secret *master* as in the previous slides

Client  $\xrightarrow{\{h(master \parallel opad \parallel h(msgs \parallel master \parallel ipad))\}}$  Server

*msgs* Concatenation of previous messages sent/received this handshake  
*opad, ipad* As above

# Handshake Round 4

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Client sends “change cipher spec” message using that protocol

Client  $\longrightarrow$  Server

$\{ h(\textit{master} \parallel \textit{opad} \parallel h(\textit{msgs} \parallel 0x434C4E54 \parallel \textit{master} \parallel \textit{ipad} )) \}$

Client  $\longrightarrow$  Server

Server sends “change cipher spec” message using that protocol

Client  $\longleftarrow$  Server

$\{ h(\textit{master} \parallel \textit{opad} \parallel h(\textit{msgs} \parallel \textit{master} \parallel \textit{ipad})) \}$

Client  $\longleftarrow$  Server

*msgs* Concatenation of messages sent/received this handshake in *previous* rounds (does not include these messages)

*opad, ipad, master* As above

# SSL Change Cipher Spec Protocol

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- Send single byte
- In handshake, new parameters considered “pending” until this byte received
  - Old parameters in use, so cannot just switch to new ones

# SSL Alert Protocol

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- Closure alert
  - Sender will send no more messages
  - Pending data delivered; new messages ignored
- Error alerts
  - Warning: connection remains open
  - Fatal error: connection torn down as soon as sent or received

# SSL Alert Protocol Errors

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- Always fatal errors:
  - unexpected\_message, bad\_record\_mac, decompression\_failure, handshake\_failure, illegal\_parameter
- May be warnings or fatal errors:
  - no\_certificate, bad\_certificate, unsupported\_certificate, certificate\_revoked, certificate\_expired, certificate\_unknown

# SSL Application Data Protocol

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- Passes data from application to SSL Record Protocol layer

# SSL Issues

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- Heartbleed
  - Implementation bug
- FREAK
  - Exploits a crypto protocol with 40-bit keys
- POODLE
  - Exploits random padding

# Heartbleed

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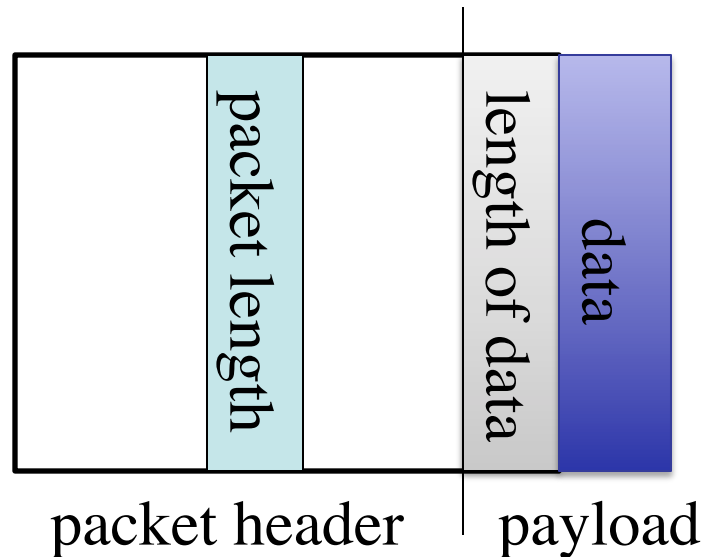
- SSL clients, servers may send a message asking “are you alive”?
  - Called a *heartbeat*
- Packet body is:
  - *length of data || data*
- Recipient sends back the *data* in the packet



# The Attack

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- Send a heartbeat packet with length of data set to a large number and the actual data much smaller



# What Happens

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- Recipient loads packet into buffer
  - Key: the buffer is not cleared!
- Recipient reads length of data *from the payload field*
  - Not the packet header!
- Recipient returns that much data from the buffer
  - Typically contains cookies, passwords, other good stuff

# FREAK

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- Goal: force client to use export-approved encryption
  - This means an RSA key under 512 bits and a classical cryptosystem with a key length of 40 bits
  - The RSA key can be factored in hours

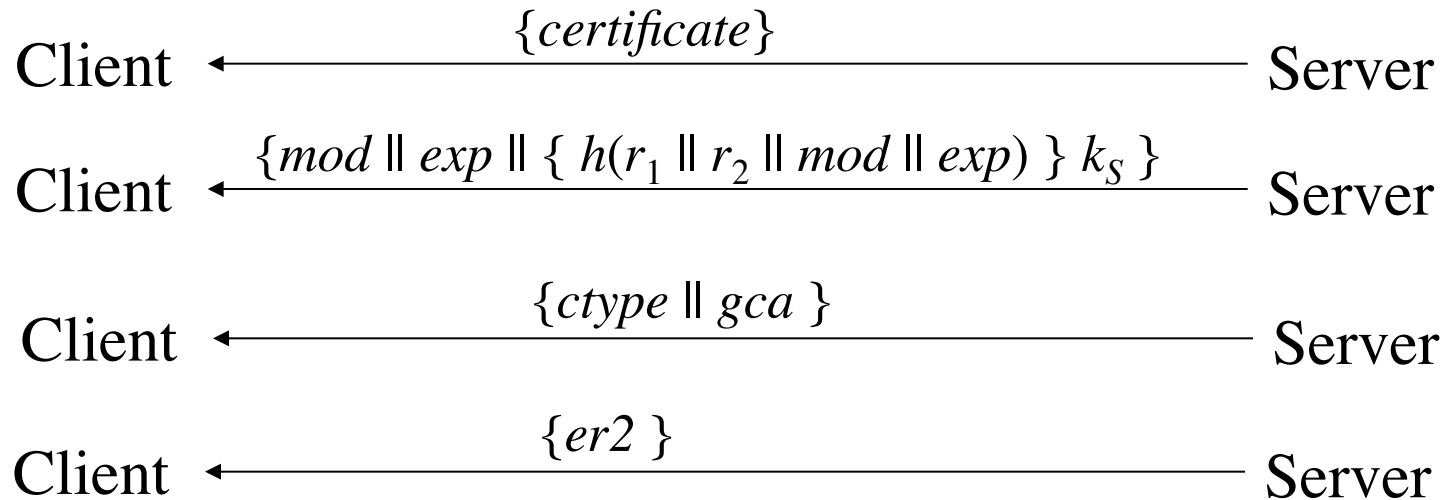
# Background

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- Some SSL cipher suites designed for use when crypto was export-controlled
  - Maximum key length allowed: 40 bits for classical, 512 bits for RSA
- Modern clients don't offer it
  - Export controls don't apply here
- But many accept it if it's the only one the server offers

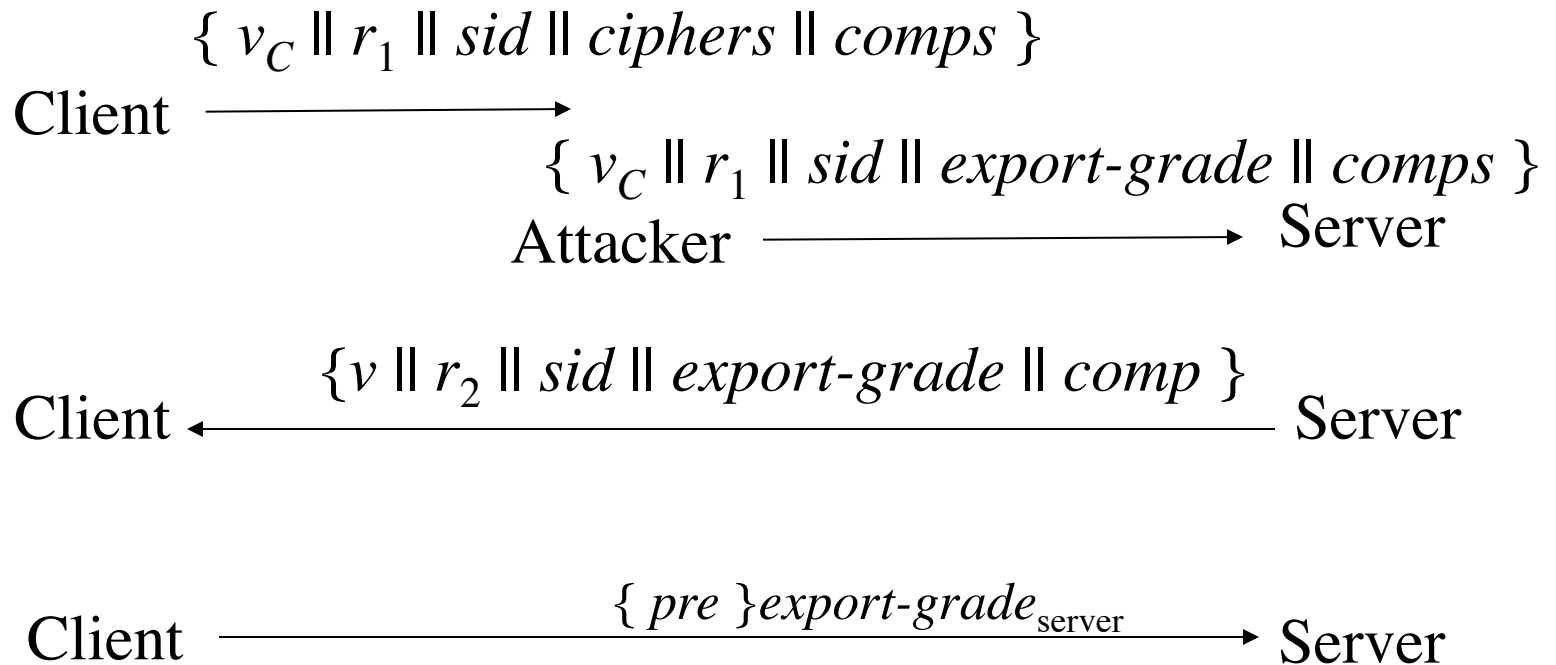
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# The Attack

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- In step 2, client accepts export-grade key
  - Attacker then factors the modulus, computes private key
- In step 3, attacker deciphers message to get *pre*; can then compute *master*, *key\_block*, and hence all keys

# A Helpful Error

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- It can take hours to factor the modulus!
- But ... many servers generate export key *only* when they start
  - So compute that, and the results are good until the server stops and restarts
  - Apache was one of these



# POODLE

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- This one finished off SSL 3.0
  - Fixing it requires change to protocol *and* implementation!
- Goal: grab “secure” HTTPS cookies, other interesting tokens (HTTP Authorization header contents)

# Assumptions

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- Using CBC encryption
- Cipher block padding is not deterministic
  - Nor is the padding included in the MAC
  - Meaning: cannot verify integrity of *padding*
- Padding is 1 block of  $L$  bytes
  - Last byte contains  $L-1$
  - This assumption is for exposition only!
- Size of cookie known

# On Receiving Message ...

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- Receives ciphertext is  $C_1 \dots C_n$ , with IV  $C_0$
- Deciphers it as  $P_i = d_k(C_i) \oplus C_{i-1}$
- Get length of padding from last block of  $P_n$ 
  - Discard padding
- Check MAC
  - If it matches, accept ciphertext
  - Otherwise, reject ciphertext

# The Attack

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- Replace  $C_n$  by  $C_i$ , where  $C_i$  is beginning of interesting data
  - Like a cookie
- Ciphertext accepted if  $d_k(C_i) \oplus C_{n-1}$  has  $L-1$  as its value
  - On average, happens 1 out of  $2^8 = 256$  times

# How To Do This

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- Attacker injects JavaScript program into victim's browser
  - Or somehow gets a cookie-bearing HTTPS request
- SSL records for message modified so that:
  - Padding fills an entire block  $C_n$
  - Cookie's first byte appears as final byte in earlier block  $C_i$
- Replace  $C_n$  by  $C_i$  and forward message
- If rejected, try with a new request

# Why It Works

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- Assume each block  $C_i$  has 16 bytes  $C_i[0] \dots C_i[15]$
- If server accepts modified ciphertext, last block will be 15
  - As padding is 15 bytes + last one
- So  $d_k(C_i[15]) \oplus C_{n-1}[15] = 15$
- So  $P_i[15] = 15 \oplus C_{n-1}[15] \oplus C_i[15]$ 
  - And this is first byte of cookie!

# Take It From There

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- As request path, request body under control of attacker, change message so size is the same but position of headers shifts appropriately

# Results

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- RFC 7568:
  - “SSLv3 MUST NOT be used. Negotiation of SSLv3 from any version of TLS MUST NOT be permitted.”
- TLS not vulnerable as padding is not random
  - Each byte contains length of padding
  - Recipient *must* check these values



# Background: Entropy

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- Random variables
- Joint probability
- Conditional probability
- Entropy (or uncertainty in bits)
- Joint entropy
- Conditional entropy
- Applying it to secrecy of ciphers

# Random Variable

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- Variable that represents outcome of an event
  - $X$  represents value from roll of a fair die; probability for rolling  $n$ :  $p(X = n) = 1/6$
  - If die is loaded so 2 appears twice as often as other numbers,  $p(X = 2) = 2/7$  and, for  $n \neq 2$ ,  $p(X = n) = 1/7$
- Note:  $p(X)$  means specific value for  $X$  doesn't matter
  - Example: all values of  $X$  are equiprobable

# Joint Probability

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- Joint probability of  $X$  and  $Y$ ,  $p(X, Y)$ , is probability that  $X$  and  $Y$  simultaneously assume particular values
  - If  $X, Y$  independent,  $p(X, Y) = p(X)p(Y)$
- Roll die, toss coin
  - $p(X = 3, Y = \text{heads}) = p(X = 3)p(Y = \text{heads}) = 1/6 \times 1/2 = 1/12$

# Two Dependent Events

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- $X =$  roll of red die,  $Y =$  sum of red, blue die rolls

$$p(Y=2) = 1/36 \quad p(Y=3) = 2/36 \quad p(Y=4) = 3/36 \quad p(Y=5) = 4/36$$

$$p(Y=6) = 5/36 \quad p(Y=7) = 6/36 \quad p(Y=8) = 5/36 \quad p(Y=9) = 4/36$$

$$p(Y=10) = 3/36 \quad p(Y=11) = 2/36 \quad p(Y=12) = 1/36$$

- Formula:

$$- p(X=1, Y=11) = p(X=1)p(Y=11) = (1/6)(2/36) = 1/108$$

# Conditional Probability

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- Conditional probability of  $X$  given  $Y$ ,  $p(X|Y)$ , is probability that  $X$  takes on a particular value given  $Y$  has a particular value
- Continuing example ...
  - $p(Y=7|X=1) = 1/6$
  - $p(Y=7|X=3) = 1/6$

# Relationship

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- $p(X, Y) = p(X | Y) p(Y) = p(X) p(Y | X)$
- Example:
  - $p(X=3, Y=8) = p(X=3|Y=8) p(Y=8) = (1/5)(5/36) = 1/36$
- Note: if  $X, Y$  independent:
  - $p(X|Y) = p(X)$

# Entropy

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- Uncertainty of a value, as measured in bits
- Example:  $X$  value of fair coin toss;  $X$  could be heads or tails, so 1 bit of uncertainty
  - Therefore entropy of  $X$  is  $H(X) = 1$
- Formal definition: random variable  $X$ , values  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ ; so  $\sum_i p(X = x_i) = 1$   
$$H(X) = -\sum_i p(X = x_i) \lg p(X = x_i)$$

# Heads or Tails?

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- $H(X) = -p(X=\text{heads}) \lg p(X=\text{heads})$   
     $- p(X=\text{tails}) \lg p(X=\text{tails})$   
     $= - (1/2) \lg (1/2) - (1/2) \lg (1/2)$   
     $= - (1/2) (-1) - (1/2) (-1) = 1$
- Confirms previous intuitive result



# $n$ -Sided Fair Die

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$$H(X) = -\sum_i p(X = x_i) \lg p(X = x_i)$$

As  $p(X = x_i) = 1/n$ , this becomes

$$H(X) = -\sum_i (1/n) \lg (1/n) = -n(1/n) (-\lg n)$$

so

$$H(X) = \lg n$$

which is the number of bits in  $n$ , as expected

# Ann, Pam, and Paul

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Ann, Pam twice as likely to win as Paul

$W$  represents the winner. What is its entropy?

–  $w_1 = \text{Ann}, w_2 = \text{Pam}, w_3 = \text{Paul}$

–  $p(W = w_1) = p(W = w_2) = 2/5, p(W = w_3) = 1/5$

- So  $H(W) = -\sum_i p(W = w_i) \lg p(W = w_i)$   
 $= - (2/5) \lg (2/5) - (2/5) \lg (2/5) - (1/5) \lg (1/5)$   
 $= - (4/5) + \lg 5 \approx -1.52$
- If all equally likely to win,  $H(W) = \lg 3 = 1.58$

# Joint Entropy

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- $X$  takes values from  $\{ x_1, \dots, x_n \}$ 
  - $\sum_i p(X=x_i) = 1$
- $Y$  takes values from  $\{ y_1, \dots, y_m \}$ 
  - $\sum_i p(Y=y_i) = 1$
- Joint entropy of  $X, Y$  is:
  - $H(X, Y) = -\sum_j \sum_i p(X=x_i, Y=y_j) \lg p(X=x_i, Y=y_j)$

# Example

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$X$ : roll of fair die,  $Y$ : flip of coin

$$p(X=1, Y=\text{heads}) = p(X=1) p(Y=\text{heads}) = 1/12$$

– As  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent

$$\begin{aligned} H(X, Y) &= -\sum_j \sum_i p(X=x_i, Y=y_j) \lg p(X=x_i, Y=y_j) \\ &= -2 [ 6 [ (1/12) \lg (1/12) ] ] = \lg 12 \end{aligned}$$

# Conditional Entropy

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- $X$  takes values from  $\{ x_1, \dots, x_n \}$ 
  - $\sum_i p(X=x_i) = 1$
- $Y$  takes values from  $\{ y_1, \dots, y_m \}$ 
  - $\sum_i p(Y=y_i) = 1$
- Conditional entropy of  $X$  given  $Y=y_j$  is:
  - $H(X | Y=y_j) = -\sum_i p(X=x_i | Y=y_j) \lg p(X=x_i | Y=y_j)$
- Conditional entropy of  $X$  given  $Y$  is:
  - $H(X | Y) = -\sum_j p(Y=y_j) \sum_i p(X=x_i | Y=y_j) \lg p(X=x_i | Y=y_j)$

# Example

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- $X$  roll of red die,  $Y$  sum of red, blue roll
- Note  $p(X=1|Y=2) = 1$ ,  $p(X=i|Y=2) = 0$  for  $i \neq 1$ 
  - If the sum of the rolls is 2, both dice were 1
- $H(X|Y=2) = -\sum_i p(X=x_i|Y=2) \lg p(X=x_i|Y=2) = 0$
- Note  $p(X=i, Y=7) = 1/6$ 
  - If the sum of the rolls is 7, the red die can be any of 1, ..., 6 and the blue die must be 7-roll of red die
- $H(X|Y=7) = -\sum_i p(X=x_i|Y=7) \lg p(X=x_i|Y=7)$   
 $= -6 (1/6) \lg (1/6) = \lg 6$

# Perfect Secrecy

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- Cryptography: knowing the ciphertext does not decrease the uncertainty of the plaintext
- $M = \{ m_1, \dots, m_n \}$  set of messages
- $C = \{ c_1, \dots, c_n \}$  set of messages
- Cipher  $c_i = E(m_i)$  achieves *perfect secrecy* if  $H(M | C) = H(M)$