

Lamport's protocol

Objective: A identifies herself to B

Use a one way function H

Notation: $H^k(w) = \underbrace{H(H(\dots(w)))}_{k\text{-times}}$

Initial parameters: t : max number of identifications ($t = 100, 1000$)

A chooses an initial password w

A transfers $w_0 = H^t(w)$ to B

B initializes his counter for A to $i_A = 1$

Protocol actions for session: $i = 1, \dots, t$

A computes $w_i = H^{t-i}(w)$; transfers to B: $(A; i; w_i)$

B checks that $i = i_A$ and $w_{i-1} = H(w_i)$

If both checks succeed, B accepts and sets $i_A \leftarrow i_A + 1$ and stores w_i .

12.2 Challenge-Response Identification (C-R-Identif.)

Basic ideas:

1. A (the claimant) proves her identity to B (the verifier) by demonstrating knowledge of a secret known only to her without revealing the secret
2. The ~~request~~ response is requested by a time-varying challenge
3. The response from one execution does not provide information for a subsequent identification as subsequent challenges will differ.

12.2.1) C-R-Identif by symmetric key encryption

Techniques from ISO/IEC 9798-2 are described

Notation: E_k : symmetric encryption alg. with key k

t_A : time stamp generated by A

r_A, r_B : random numbers by A, B

$A \rightarrow B$: A transmits s.th to B

$(,)$: concatenation

*: optional elements are (may be added to ")

• Unilateral authentication, time-stamp-based

$$A \rightarrow B : E_k(t_A, B^*)$$

Including the identifier B prevents an adversary from reusing the message immediately on A.

• Unilateral authentication, random numbers

$$A \leftarrow B : r_B \quad (1)$$

$$A \rightarrow B : E_k(r_B, B^*) \quad (2)$$

B decrypts (2) verifies r_B from (1). Inclusion of B avoids a reflection attack.

- $O \leftarrow B : r_B$ (first protocol)
- $O \rightarrow B : r_B$ (open a 2nd protocol)
- $O \leftarrow B : E_K(r_B, A^*)$ (in the 2nd protocol: (2))
- $O \rightarrow B : E_K(r_B, B^*)$ (in the first protocol: (2))

avoided by including A^* or B^* .

Use K_1, K_2 or (as in the protocol) include names (A^* and B^*) (and don't use same names)

A is not involved at all.

• Mutual authentication, random numbers

$$A \leftarrow B : r_B \quad (1)$$

$$A \rightarrow B : E_K(r_A, r_B, B^*) \quad (2)$$

$$A \leftarrow B : E_K(r_B, r_A) \quad (3)$$

B decrypts (2), verifies r_B from (1), obtains r_A , encrypts (r_B, r_A)

A decrypts (3), verifies r_B and r_A

r_A might be used as a shared secret key.

12.2.2] C-R-Ident. by public-key techniques

Principle: The claimant decrypts a challenge encrypted by her public key

Notation: h : Hash function, E_A encryption under A 's public key

$$A \leftarrow B : h(r_B), B, E_A(r_B, B)$$

$$A \rightarrow B : r_B$$

B chooses a random r_B , computes the witness $h(r_B)$ without revealing r_B , compute the challenge $E_A(r_B, B)$

A decrypts $E_A(r_B, B)$ to recover r', B' , computes $h(r')$

If $h(r') = h(r_B)$ and $B' = B$ then A sends $r' = r_B$ to B .

12.2.3 / C-R-Identif. based on digital signatures

Principle: The claimant signs a challenge digitally

Notation: S_A : signature by A

cert_A : certificate which contains the authentic public signature key

Protocols are from ISO / IEC 9798-3

• Unilateral with timestamps

$A \rightarrow B$: $\text{cert}_A, t_A, B, S_A(t_A, B)$

B verifies that the timestamp is acceptable, the correct identifier B checks that the signature over (t_A, B) is correct.

• Unilateral with random numbers

$A \leftarrow B$: r_B

$A \rightarrow B$: $\text{cert}_A, r_A, B, S_A(r_A, r_B, B)$

B verifies its own identification, checks validity of A's signature over (r_A, r_B, B)

• Mutual authentication with random numbers

$A \leftarrow B$: r_B

$A \rightarrow B$: $\text{cert}_A, r_A, B, S_A(r_A, r_B, B)$

$A \leftarrow B$: $\text{cert}_B, A, S_B(r_B, r_A, A)$

B verifies as above. A knows r_A and r_B verifies the signature of B over (r_B, r_A, A)

12.3 Kerberos /

Kerberos: Three headed dog guarding the underworld in Greek mythology.

Grew out of a larger "Athena" at MIT.

Purpose: To provide strong levels of authentication and security in key exchange between servers and clients in a network.

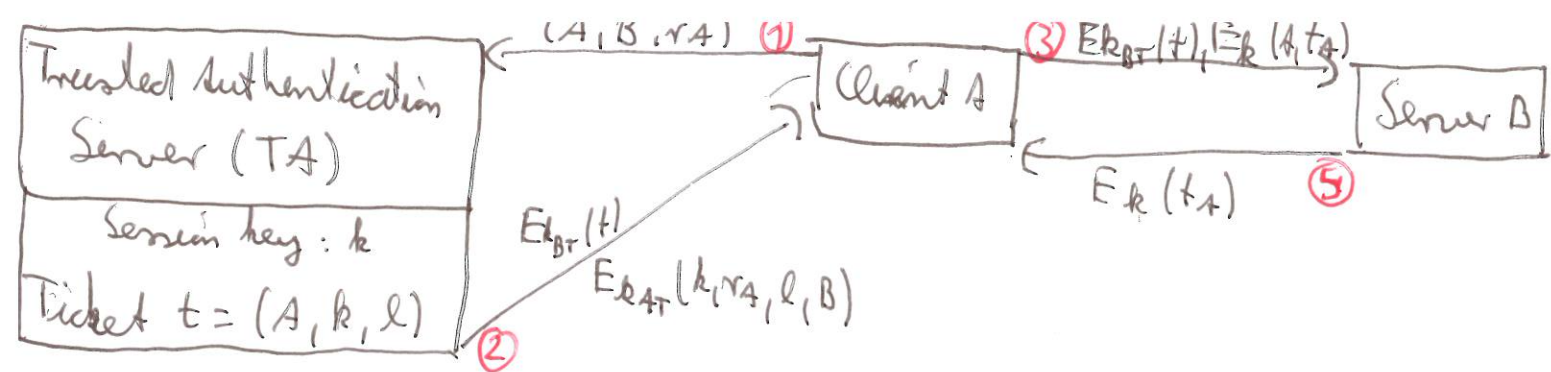
Use symmetric encryption and relies on a trusted authority (TA)

TA: Central server as trusted authority, Kerberos authentication server.
It knows the secret key of each client and server.

Notation: E_k : Encryption with key k
 r_A : random number by A
 t_A : timestamp by A

Client A requests access to a server B .

Basic actions:



Protocol actions (simplified)

1. $A \rightarrow TA : (A, B, r_A)$

2. TA generates a session key k , validity period l , Ticket $t = (A, k, l)$

$TA \rightarrow A : E_{k_{AT}}(k, r_A, l, B), E_{k_{BT}}(t)$

3. A recovers k, r_A, l, B verifies r_A, B , with t_A : current time

$A \rightarrow B : E_{k_{BT}}(t), E_k(A, t_A)$

4. B recovers $t = (A, k, l)$, A, t_A and checks

a) A from t matches A

b) t_A is fresh

c) t_A is in the validity period l

If all checks pass, A 's authentication is accepted.

Additionally, to authenticate B to A

5. $B \rightarrow A : E_k(t_A)$

6. A recovers t_A , checks if t_A is correct. If yes, B is authenticated

Session key k is used for encrypting comm. between A and B

Remarks: • r_A in 1 allows authentication of the TA to A.

• t_A in 3 prevents replay attacks of $E_k(A), E_{k_{BT}}(t)$

• Secure and synchronized clocks are needed

• The full version of Kerberos includes another server, the ticket granting server (TGS).