

Proving IEEE 802.11i Secure

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802.11i Key Management



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Access Point



Auth Server

TLS: Uses Certificates, provides authentication

4WAY Handshake:

Creates keys for data communication

Group key handshake:

Keys for broadcast communication

Data protection:

AES based

← (Shared Secret-PMK)

Properties of 802.11i Key Mgt.

◆ Roughly

- Only authorized devices can join n/w
- Devices do not join rogue n/w
- Peer device is alive
- Keys set up for data and group communication are fresh and secret

Proof of 802.11i security

A Formal Proof in Protocol Composition Logic (PCL) of :

- ◆ On execution of an 802.11i role, properties listed in the standard are satisfied.
- ◆ Attacker model (perfect crypto)
 - Intercept, read, reorder, delete any message on the n/w
 - Construct, send messages

Why a Proof?

- ◆ [He Mitchell] analyzed 4Way Handshake using Murphi
 - Found a DoS attack
 - But did not find any security flaws
- ◆ [Mitchell Shmatikov] analyzed TLS
- ◆ 'Finite' state analysis does not guarantee security

Model Checking doesn't Scale



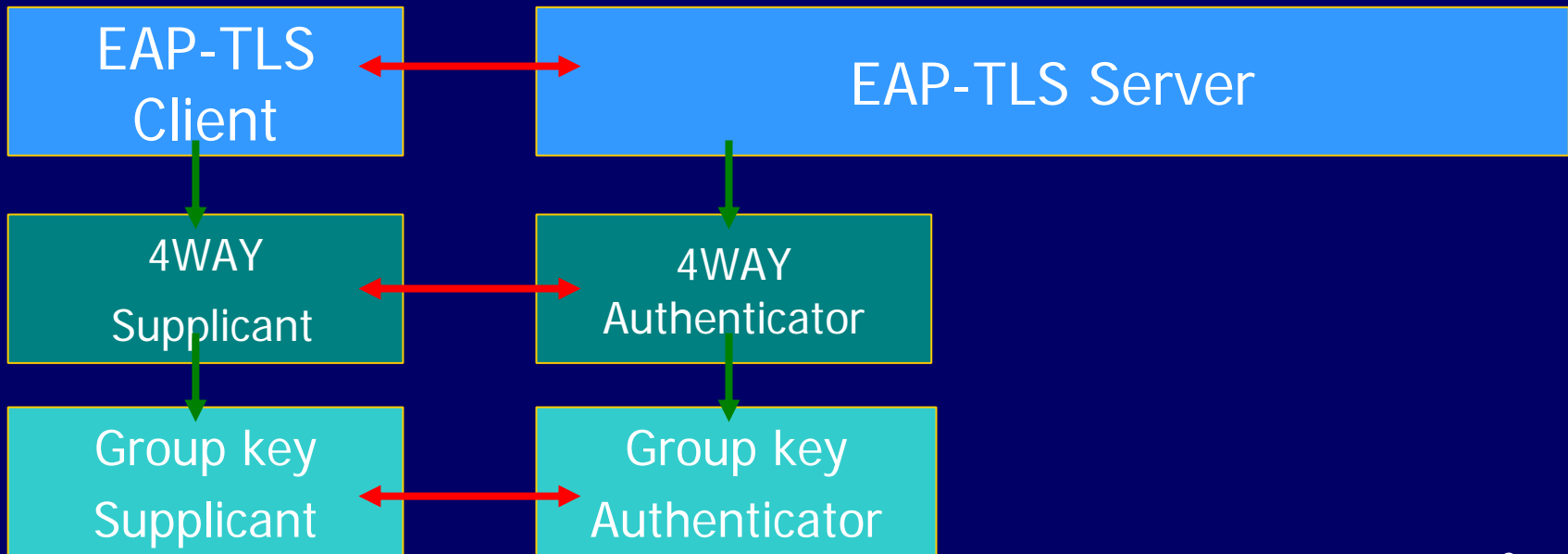
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802.11i

TLS Server Role

receive $C, S, n_c, suite_c$ //Hello
new n_s
send $S, C, n_s, suite_s$ //Resp
receive $C, S, \{sec\}_{K_s}, SIG_C(hshk1)$ //Xfer
check $SIG_C(hshk1)$
decrypt $\{sec\}_{K_s}$
send $S, C, hash_{sec}(hshk2)$ //ServerView

Security Properties of TLS

- ◆ The client and the server agree on
 - Value of the *secret*
 - Version and crypto suite
 - Identities (mutual authentication)
 - Protocol completion status
- ◆ The *secret* term is not known to a principal who is not the client or the server (shared secret)

Matching Conversations

Honest(C) [TLS Server]_S ∃ C.

Send (C, Hello) < Receive (S, Hello) ∧

Receive (S, Hello) < Send (S, Resp) ∧

Send (S, Resp) < Receive (C, Resp) ∧

Receive (C, Resp) < Send (C, KeyXfer) ∧

Send (C, KeyXfer) < Receive (S, KeyXfer) ∧

Receive (S, KeyXfer) < Send (S, ServerView)

Proof Sketch

1. S sees $SIG_C(hshk1)$ concludes C constructed it
4. If honest C constructed $SIG_C(hshk1)$, then it executed actions consistent with TLS Client role
5. Order actions based on freshness of nonces

Some Axioms Used in the Proof

AA4 $\top [a; \dots ; b]_X a \langle b$

VER $\text{Honest}(\hat{X}) \wedge \text{Verify}(Y, \text{SIG}[\hat{X]}(x)) \wedge \hat{X} \neq \hat{Y} \supset$
 $\exists X. \text{Send}(X, m) \wedge \text{Contains}(m, \text{SIG}[\hat{X]}(x))$

FS2 $\text{FirstSend}(X, t, t') \wedge a(Y, t'') \supset \text{Send}(X, t') \langle a(Y, t'')$
where $X \neq Y$ and $t \subseteq t''$.

Program Invariant used in Proof

$$\Gamma_{tls,1} \quad \text{Honest}(\hat{X}) \wedge \text{Sign}(X, sigterm) \supset$$
$$(\text{Send}(X, t1sm1) < \text{Receive}(X, t1sm2) < \text{Send}(X, t1sm3))$$
$$\wedge \text{FirstSend}(X, n_x, t1sm1) \wedge \text{FirstSend}(X, secret, t1sm3))$$

Proof of TLS Authentication

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{AA1, P1, AA4} \quad [\text{TLS : Server}]_Y \\ \quad (\text{Receive}(Y, \text{tlsm1}) < \text{Send}(Y, \text{tlsm2}) \\ \quad < \text{Receive}(Y, \text{tlsm3}) < \text{Send}(Y, \text{tlsm4}) \end{array} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{AA1, P1} \quad [\text{TLS : Server}]_Y \text{Verify}(Y, \text{SIG}_{\hat{X}}\{\text{sigterm}\}) \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (-1), \text{VER} \quad [\text{TLS : Server}]_Y \text{Honest}(\hat{X}) \wedge \hat{X} \neq \hat{Y} \supset \exists X. \text{Sign}(X, \text{sigterm}) \end{array} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (-1), \Gamma_{\text{tls},1} \quad [\text{TLS : Server}]_Y \text{Honest}(\hat{X}) \wedge \hat{X} \neq \hat{Y} \supset \\ \text{and Inst } X \text{ to } X^\circ \quad (\text{Send}(X^\circ, \hat{X}, \hat{Y}, m1) < \text{Receive}(X^\circ, \hat{Y}, \hat{X}, m2) \\ \quad < \text{Send}(X^\circ, \hat{X}, \hat{Y}, m3)) \wedge \text{New}(X^\circ, \text{secret}) \\ \quad \wedge \text{FirstSend}(X^\circ, n_x, \text{tlsm1}) \wedge \text{FirstSend}(X^\circ, \text{secret}, \text{tlsm3}) \end{array} \quad (4)$$

Matching Conversations!

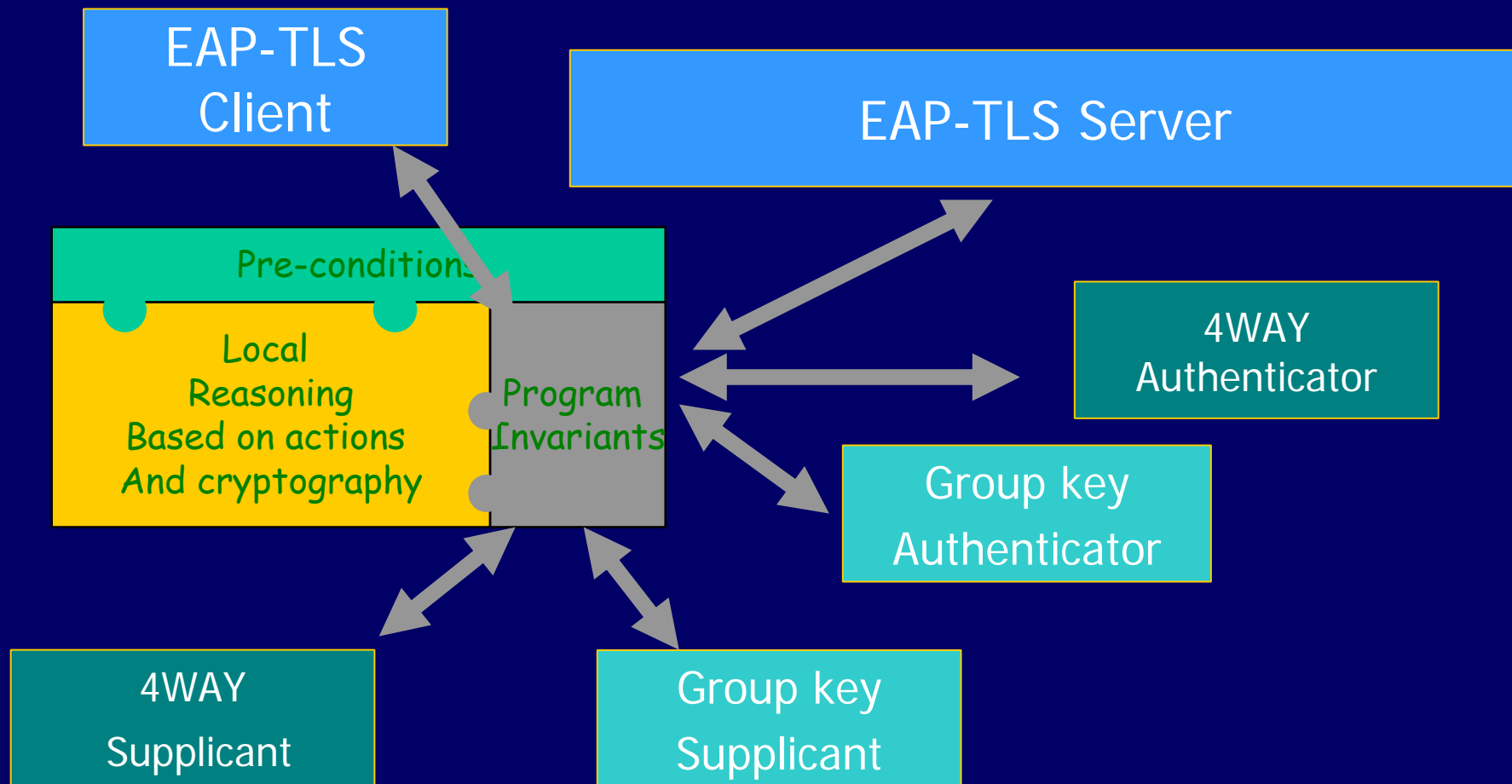
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 $\text{Send}(Y, tsm2) < \text{Receive}(X^o, tsm2)$ (6)

(4), (1), FS2 $[\text{TLS : Server}]_Y \text{Honest}(\hat{X}) \wedge \hat{X} \neq \hat{Y} \supset$
 $(\text{Send}(X^o, tsm1) < \text{Receive}(Y, tsm1))$
 $\wedge (\text{Send}(X^o, tsm3) < \text{Receive}(Y, tsm3))$ (7)

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 $\wedge (\text{Send}(Y, tsm2) < \text{Receive}(X, tsm2))$
 $\wedge (\text{Receive}(X, tsm2) < \text{Send}(X, tsm3))$
 $\wedge (\text{Send}(X, tsm3) < \text{Receive}(Y, tsm3))$
 $\wedge (\text{Receive}(Y, tsm3) < \text{Send}(Y, tsm4))$
 $\wedge \text{Has}(X, \text{secret})$ (8)

Proof Structure



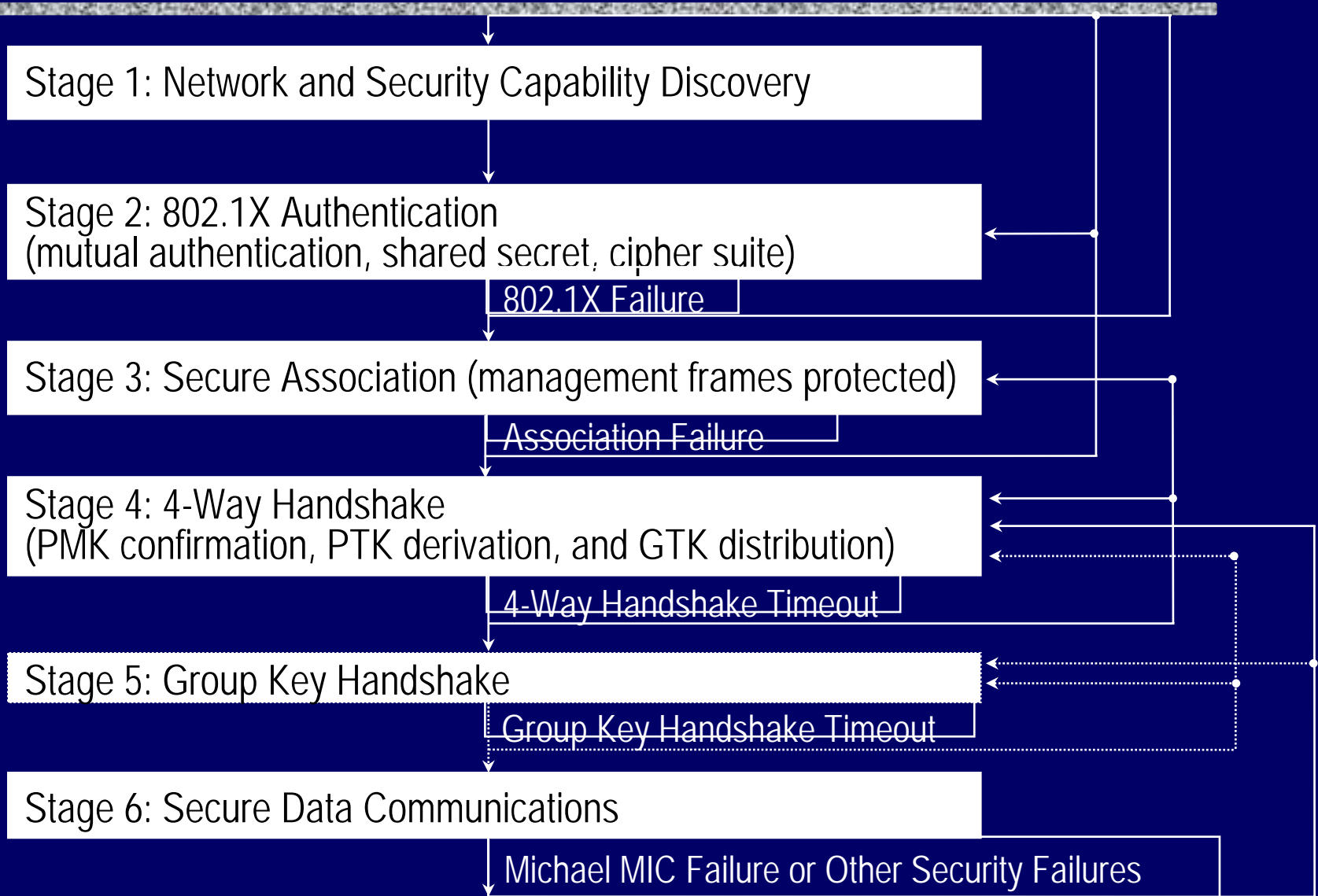
Protocol Insights

- ◆ 802.11i is secure
- ◆ Other modes are safe
 - Using Cached PMKs and Pre-shared Keys is safe
 - Safe under error handling
- ◆ Protocols can share certificates with TLS as long as conditions listed in paper are satisfied

Evolution of WLAN Security

- ◆ Wired Equivalent Privacy
 - Incorrect use of cryptography
 - WEP lacks key mgt
- ◆ 802.11i is designed to fix these issues (June 2004)
- ◆ [He Mitchell] uncovers DoS attacks
- ◆ Fix adopted by standards committee
- ◆ Security Proof of 802.11i

Error Handling [HM05]



Interactions can cause Flaws

- ◆ Exercise: Construct two protocols. Each does something reasonable. Each is secure in isolation.
- ◆ But, if any principal executes both protocols, one of the two protocols is insecure.
 - Chosen protocol attack (Wagner et.al.)

Thanks!