UNIT - V

Security at the Application Layer: PGP and S/MIME



Objectives

- ☐ To explain the general structure of an e-mail application program
- ☐ To discuss how PGP can provide security services for e-mail
- ☐ To discuss how S/MIME can provide security services for e-mail
- ☐ To define trust mechanism in both PGP and S/MIME
- ☐ To show the structure of messages exchanged in PGP and S/MIME

16-1 E-MAIL

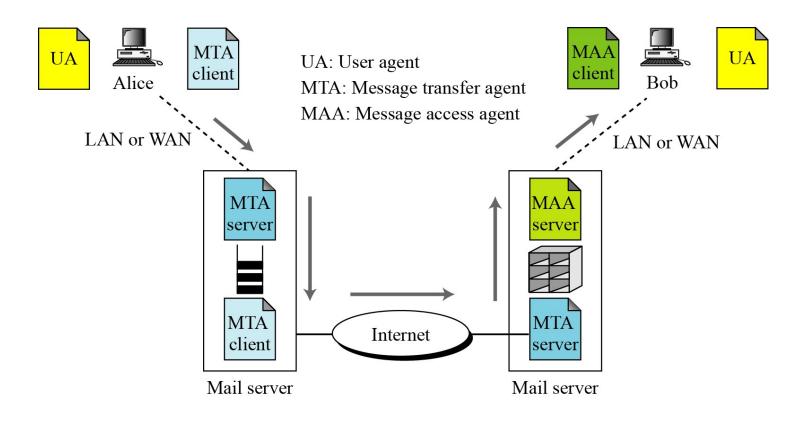
Let us first discuss the electronic mail (e-mail) system in general.

Topics discussed in this section:

- 16.1.1 E-mail Architecture
- 16.1.2 E-mail Security



Figure 16.1 E-mail architecture





Cryptographic Algorithms

Note

In e-mail security, the sender of the message needs to include the name or identifiers of the algorithms used in the message.

Certificates

It is obvious that some public-key algorithms must be used for e-mail security.



Cryptographic Secrets

Note

In e-mail security, the encryption/decryption is done using a symmetric-key algorithm, but the secret key to decrypt the message is encrypted with the public key of the receiver and is sent with the message.

16-2 PGP

Pretty Good Privacy (PGP) can be used to create a secure e-mail message or to store a file securely for future retrieval.

One of the protocols to provide security at the application layer is Pretty Good Privacy (PGP).

PGP is designed to create authenticated and confidential e-mails.

Figure 32.19 Position of PGP in the TCP/IP protocol suite

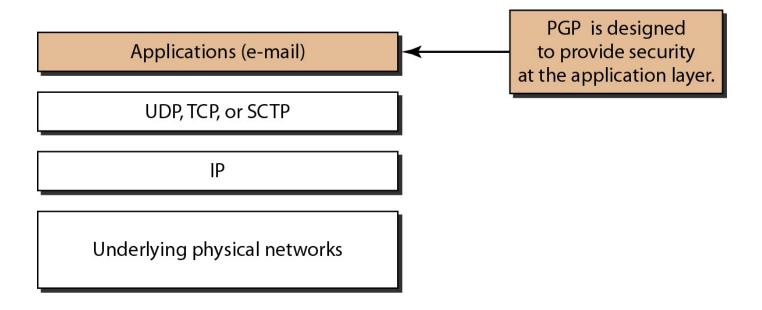
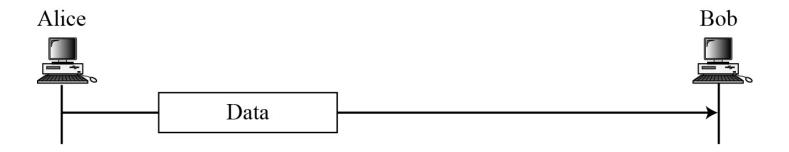




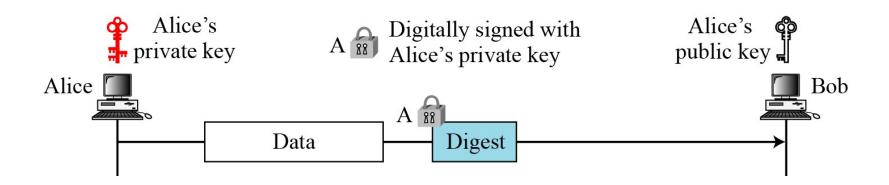
Figure 16.2 A plaintext message





Message Integrity

Figure 16.3 An authenticated message





Compression

Figure 16.4 A compressed message

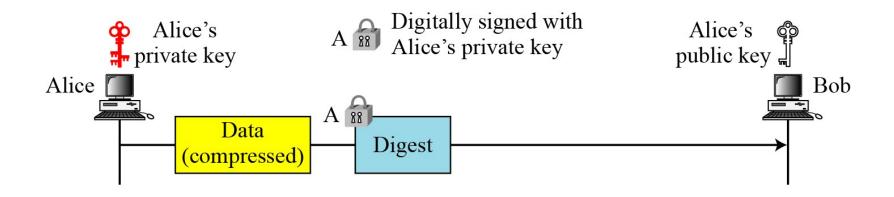
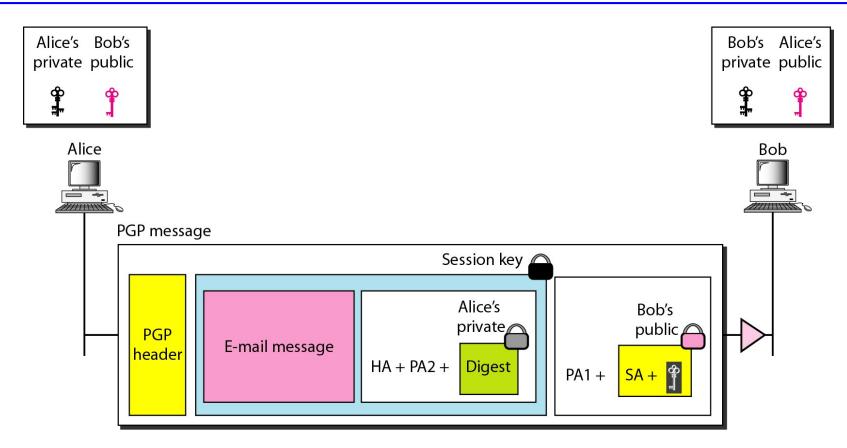


Figure 32.20 A scenario in which an e-mail message is authenticated and encrypted



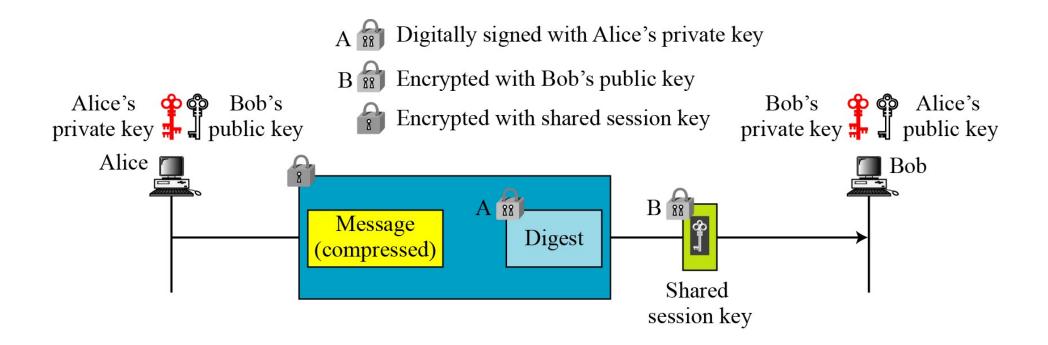
PA1: Public-key algorithm 1 (for encrypting session key)

PA2: Public-key algorithm (for encrypting the digest)

SA: Symmetric-key algorithm identification (for encrypting message and digest)

HA: Hash algorithm identification (for creating digest)

Figure 16.5 A confidential message





Code Conversion

Another service provided by PGP is code conversion. PGP uses Radix-64 conversion.

Segmentation

PGP allows segmentation of the message.

16.2.2 Continued PGP Algorithms

 Table 16.1
 Public-key algorithms

ID	Description
1	RSA (encryption or signing)
2	RSA (for encryption only)
3	RSA (for signing only)
16	ElGamal (encryption only)
17	DSS
18	Reserved for elliptic curve
19	Reserved for ECDSA
20	ElGamal (for encryption or signing)
21	Reserved for Diffie-Hellman
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 Table 16.2
 Symmetric-key algorithms

ID	Description
0	No Encryption
1	IDEA
2	Triple DES
3	CAST-128
4	Blowfish
5	SAFER-SK128
6	Reserved for DES/SK
7	Reserved for AES-128
8	Reserved for AES-192
9	Reserved for AES-256
100–110	Private algorithms

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Table 16.3 Hash Algorithms

ID	Description
1	MD5
2	SHA-1
3	RIPE-MD/160
4	Reserved for double-width SHA
5	MD2
6	TIGER/192
7	Reserved for HAVAL
100-110	Private algorithms



 Table 16.4
 Compression methods

ID	Description
0	Uncompressed
1	ZIP
2	ZLIP
100-110	Private methods



X.509 Certificates

Protocols that use X.509 certificates depend on the hierarchical structure of the trust.

Note

In X.509, there is a single path from the fully trusted authority to any certificate.



PGP Certificates

In PGP, there is no need for CAs; anyone in the ring can sign a certificate for anyone else in the ring.

Note

In PGP, there can be multiple paths from fully or partially trusted authorities to any subject.

Trusts and Legitimacy

The entire operation of PGP is based on introducer trust, the certificate trust, and the legitimacy of the public keys.



It may become necessary for an entity to revoke his or her public key from the ring. This may happen if the owner of the key feels that the key is compromised (stolen, for example) or just too old to be safe.



Figure 16.12 Format of packet header

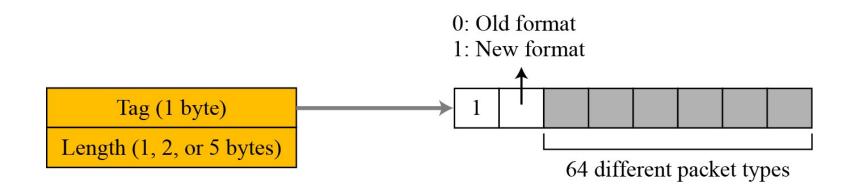




 Table 16.12
 Some commonly used packet types

Value	Packet type
1	Session key packet encrypted using a public key
2	Signature packet
5	Private-key packet
6	Public-key packet
8	Compressed data packet
9	Data packet encrypted with a secret key
11	Literal data packet
13	User ID packet

Figure 16.13 Literal data packet

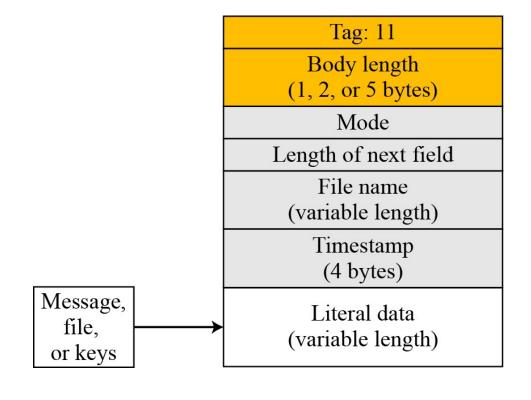




Figure 16.14 Compressed data packet

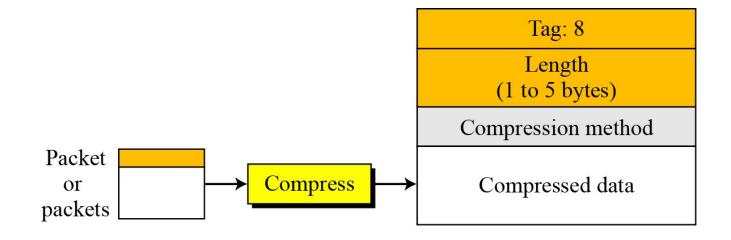




Figure 16.15 Encrypted data packet

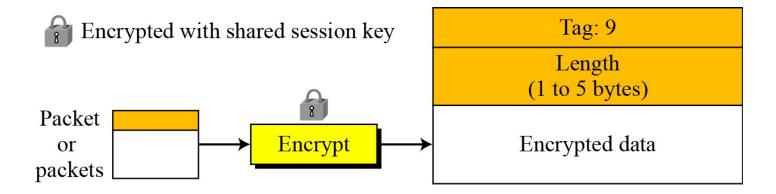
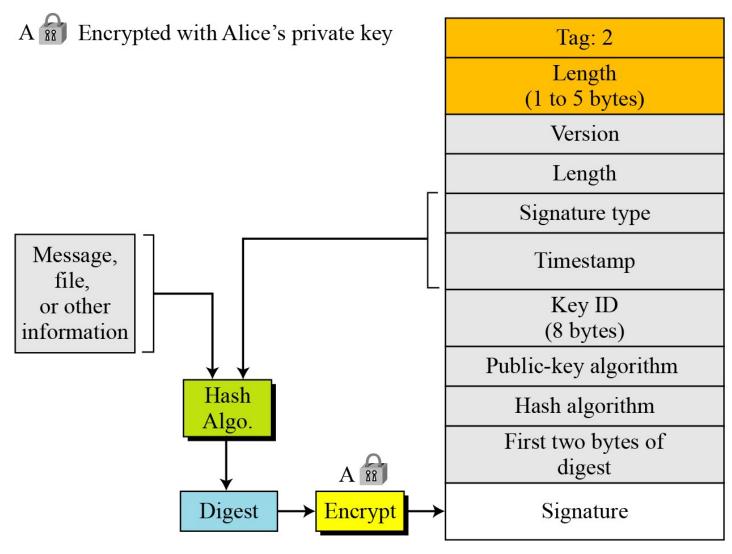




Figure 16.16 Signature packet



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 Table 16.13
 Some signature values

Value	Signature
0x00	Signature of a binary document (message or file).
0x01	Signature of a text document (message or file).
0x10	Generic certificate of a user ID and public-key packet. The signer does not make any particular assertion about the owner of the key.
0x11	Personal certificate of a user ID and public-key packet. No verification is done on the owner of the key.
0x12	Casual certificate of a User ID and public-key packet. Some casual verification done on the owner of the key.
0x13	Positive certificate of a user ID and public-key packet. Substantial verification done.
0x30	Certificate revocation signature. This removes an earlier certificate $(0x10 \text{ through } 0x13)$.



Figure 16.17 Session-key packet

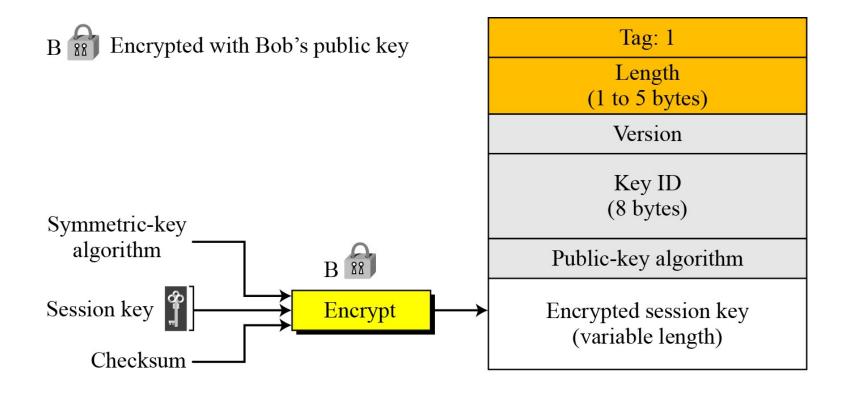




Figure 16.18 Public-key packet

Tag: 6
Length
(1 to 5 bytes)
Version
Key ID
(8 bytes)
Public-key algorithm

Public Key



Figure 16.19 User ID packet

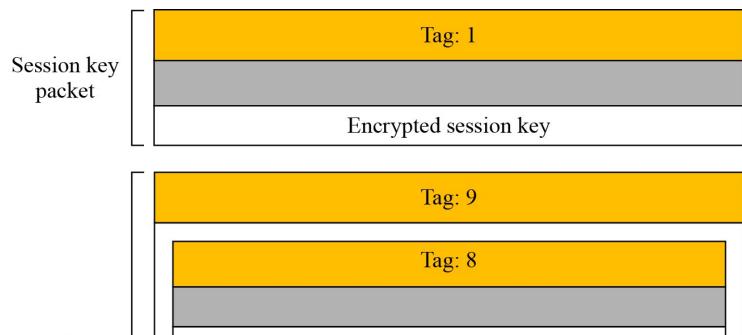
Tag: 13

Length
(1 byte)

User ID



Figure 16.20 Encrypted message



Encrypted data packet

Tag: 11

Literal data

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Figure 16.21 Signed message

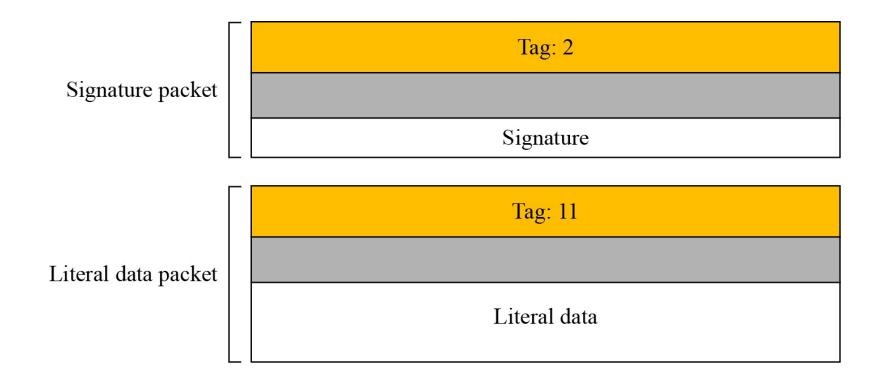
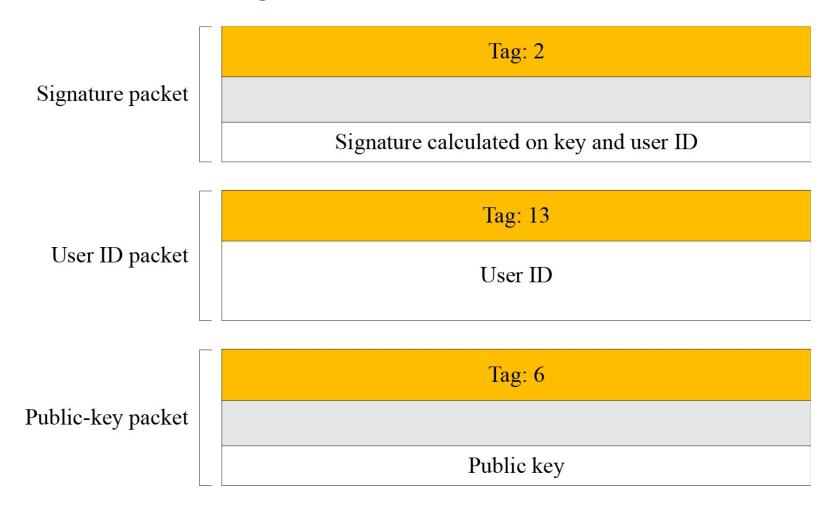




Figure 16.22 Certificate message



16-3 S/MIME

Another security service designed for electronic mail is Secure/Multipurpose Internet Mail Extension (S/MIME). The protocol is an enhancement of the Multipurpose Internet Mail Extension (MIME) protocol.

Topics discussed in this section:

- 16.3.1 MIME
- 16.3.2 S/MIME
- 16.3.3 Applications of S/MIME



Figure 16.23 MIME

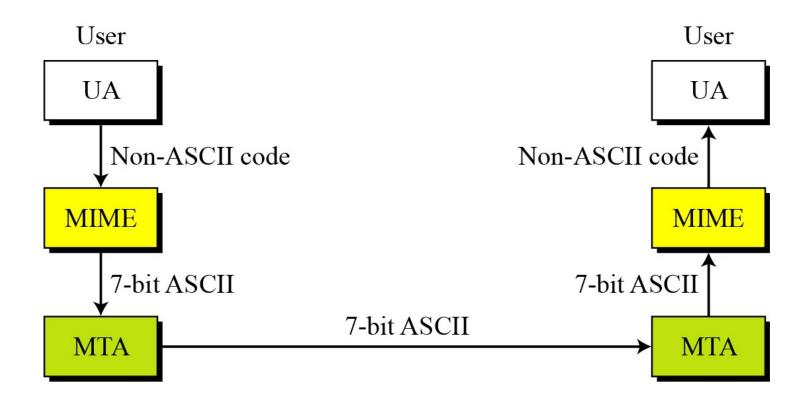




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E-mail header

MIME-Version: 1.1

Content-Type: type/subtype

Content-Transfer-Encoding: encoding type

Content-Id: message id

Content-Description: textual explanation of nontextual contents

E-mail body

MIME headers



MIME-Version

This header defines the version of MIME used. The current version is 1.1.

MIME-Version: 1.1

Content-Type

The content type and the content subtype are separated by a slash. Depending on the subtype, the header may contain other parameters.

Content-Type: <type / subtype; parameters>



 Table 16.14
 Data types and subtypes in MIME

Туре	Subtype	Description
	Plain	Unformatted.
	HTML	HTML format.
Multipart	Mixed	Body contains ordered parts of different data types.
	Parallel	Same as above, but no order.
	Digest	Similar to Mixed, but the default is message/RFC822.
	Alternative	Parts are different versions of the same message.
Message	RFC822	Body is an encapsulated message.
	Partial	Body is a fragment of a bigger message.
	External-Body	Body is a reference to another message.
Image	JPEG	Image is in JPEG format.
	GIF	Image is in GIF format.
Video	MPEG	Video is in MPEG format.
Audio	Basic	Single channel encoding of voice at 8 KHz.
Application	PostScript	Adobe PostScript.
	Octet-stream	General binary data (eight-bit bytes).

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 Table 16.15
 Content-transfer-encoding

Туре	Description
7bit	NVT ASCII characters and short lines.
8bit	Non-ASCII characters and short lines.
Binary	Non-ASCII characters with unlimited-length lines.
Radix-64	6-bit blocks of data are encoded into 8-bit ASCII characters using Radix-64 conversion.
Quoted-printable	Non-ASCII characters are encoded as an equal sign followed by an ASCII code.

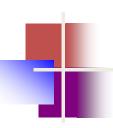


Figure 16.25 Radix-64 conversion

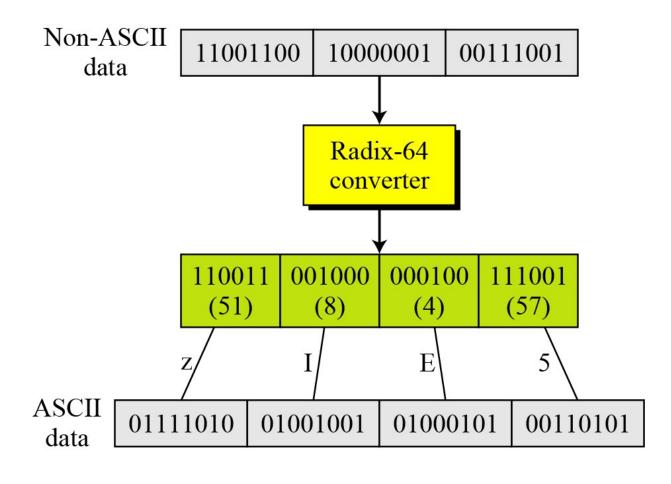


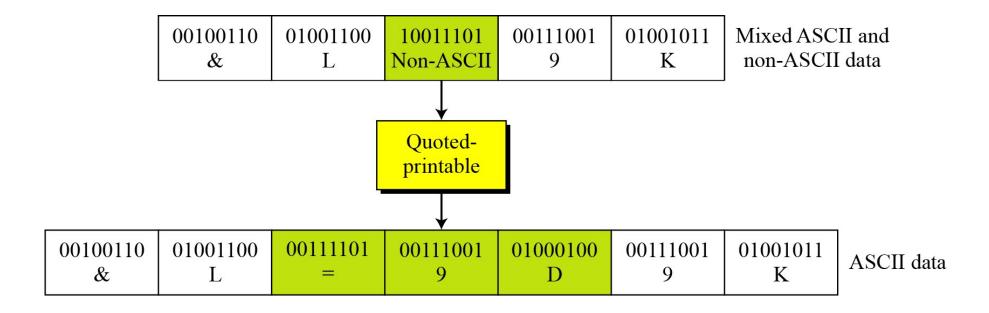


 Table 16.16
 Radix-64 encoding table

Value	Code										
0	A	11	L	22	W	33	h	44	S	55	3
1	В	12	M	23	X	34	i	45	t	56	4
2	C	13	N	24	Y	35	j	46	u	57	5
3	D	14	O	25	Z	36	k	47	v	58	6
4	E	15	P	26	a	37	1	48	w	59	7
5	F	16	Q	27	b	38	m	49	X	60	8
6	G	17	R	28	c	39	n	50	y	61	9
7	H	18	S	29	d	40	0	51	Z	62	+
8	Ι	19	T	30	e	41	р	52	0	63	/
9	J	20	U	31	f	42	q	53	1		
10	K	21	V	32	g	43	r	54	2		



Figure 16.26 Quoted-printable



16.3.2 S/MIME



S/MIME adds some new content types to include security services to the MIME. All of these new types include the parameter "application/pkcs7-mime," in which "pkcs" defines "Public Key Cryptography Specification."

Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)

To define how security services, such as confidentiality or integrity, can be added to MIME content types, S/MIME has defined Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS). The syntax in each case defines the exact encoding scheme for each content type.



Figure 16.27 Signed-data content type

 S_1 Signed with private key of signer 1

 S_N Signed with private key of signer N

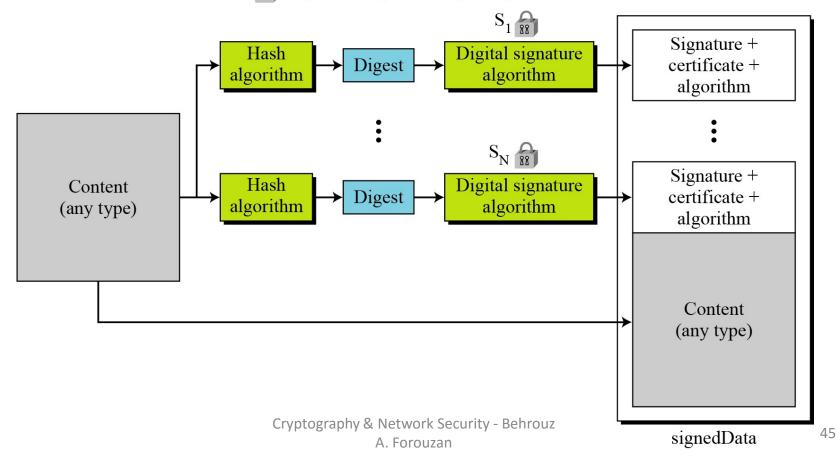




Figure 16.28 Enveloped-data content type

 R_1 Encrypted with public key of recipient 1

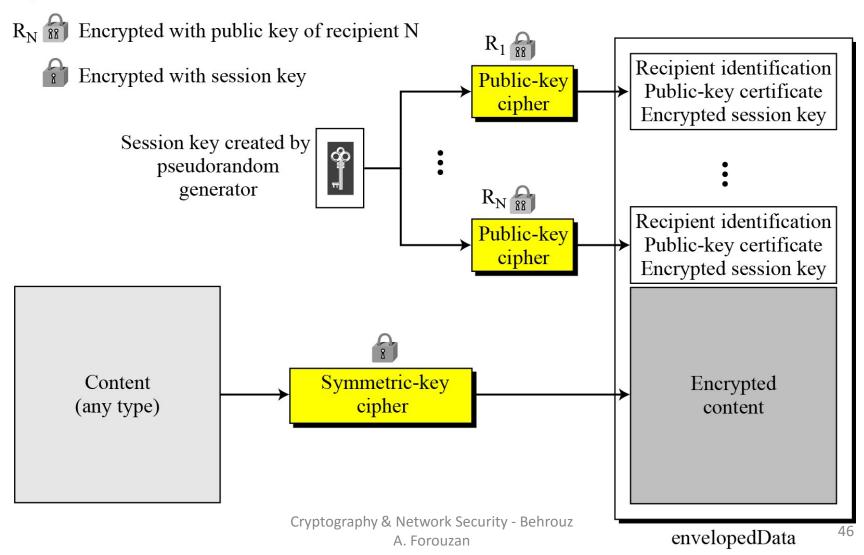




Figure 16.29 Digest-data content type

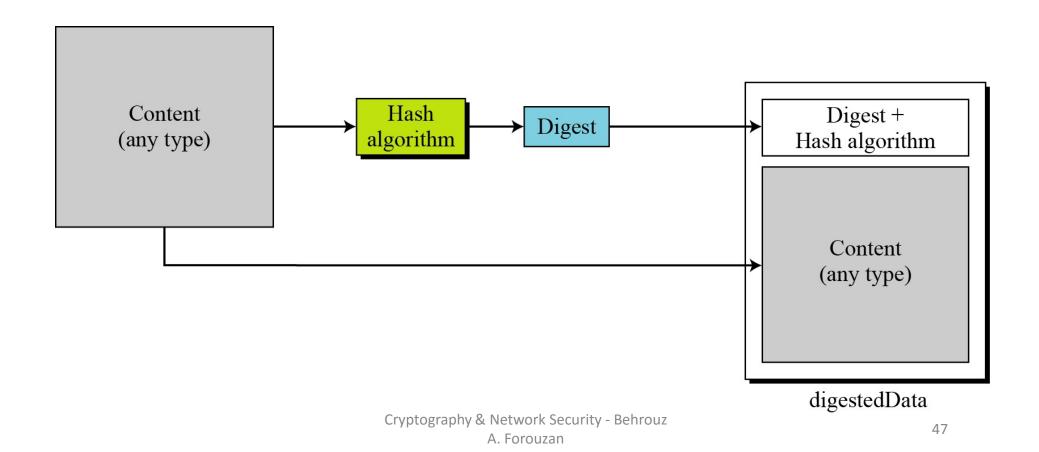
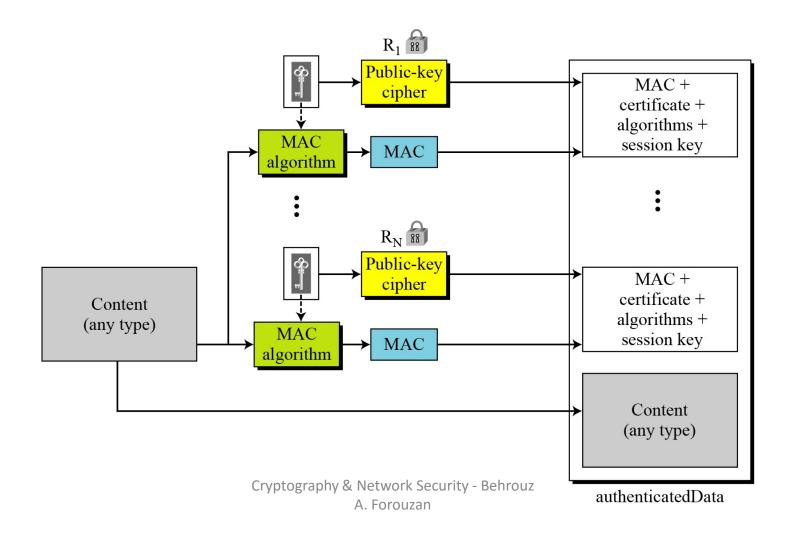




Figure 16.30 Authenticated-data content type

 R_1 Encrypted with public key of recipient 1

 R_N Encrypted with public key of recipient N





Cryptographic Algorithms

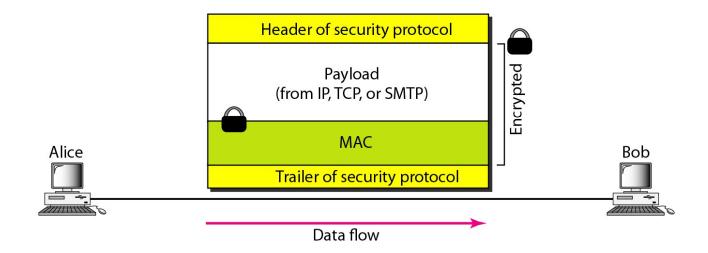
S/MIME defines several cryptographic algorithms. The term "must" means an absolute requirement; the term "should" means recommendation.

Table 16.17 Cryptographic algorithm for S/MIME

Algorithm	Sender must support	Receiver must support	Sender should support	Receiver should support
Content-encryption algorithm	Triple DES	Triple DES		1. AES 2. RC2/40
Session-key encryption algorithm	RSA	RSA	Diffie-Hellman	Diffie-Hellman
Hash algorithm	SHA-1	SHA-1		MD5
Digest-encryption algorithm	DSS	DSS	RSA	RSA
Message-authentication algorithm		HMAC with SHA-1		

Security in the Internet: IPSec, SSL/TLS, PGP, VPN, and Firewalls

Figure 32.1 Common structure of three security protocols



32-1 IPSecurity (IPSec)

IPSecurity (IPSec) is a collection of protocols designed by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) to provide security for a packet at the network level.

Topics discussed in this section:

Two Modes
Two Security Protocols
Security Association
Internet Key Exchange (IKE)
Virtual Private Network

Figure 32.2 TCP/IP protocol suite and IPSec

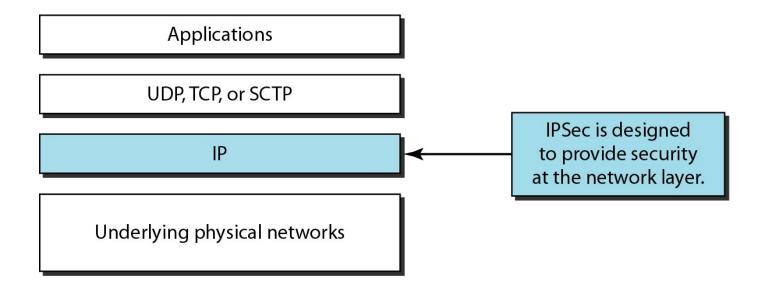
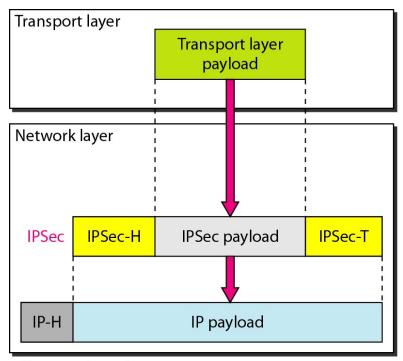
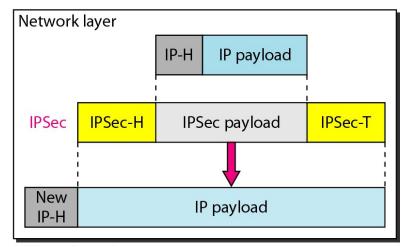


Figure 32.3 Transport mode and tunnel modes of IPSec protocol





a. Transport mode

b. Tunnel mode



Note

IPSec in the transport mode does not protect the IP header; it only protects the information coming from the transport layer.

Figure 32.4 Transport mode in action

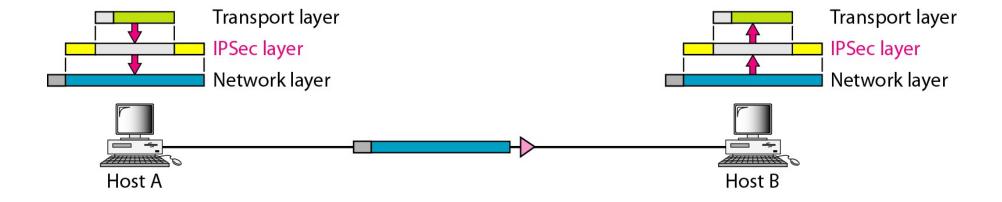
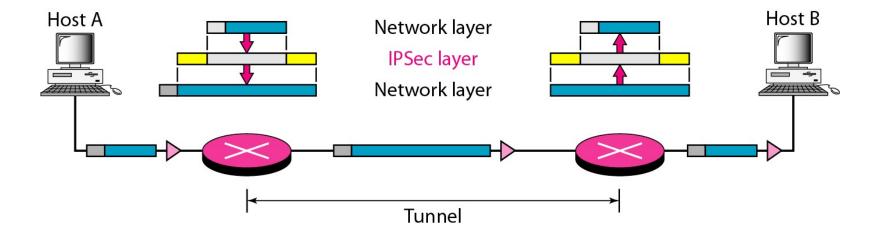


Figure 32.5 Tunnel mode in action

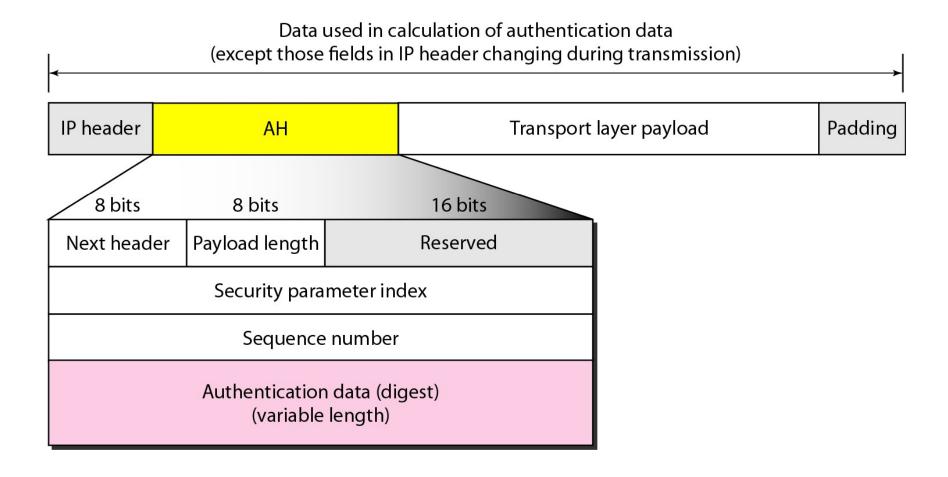




Note

IPSec in tunnel mode protects the original IP header.

Figure 32.6 Authentication Header (AH) Protocol in transport mode

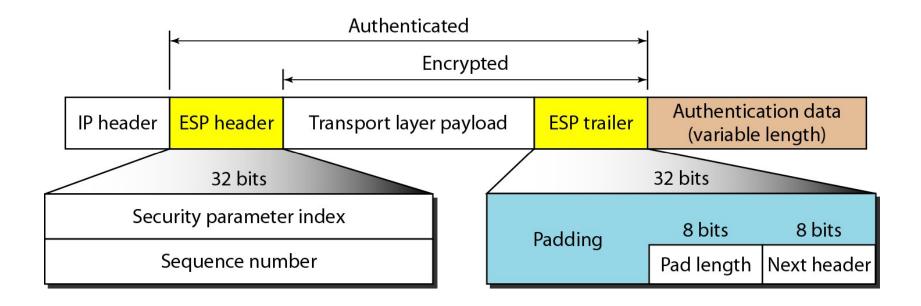




Note

The AH Protocol provides source authentication and data integrity, but not privacy.

Figure 32.7 Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP) Protocol in transport mode





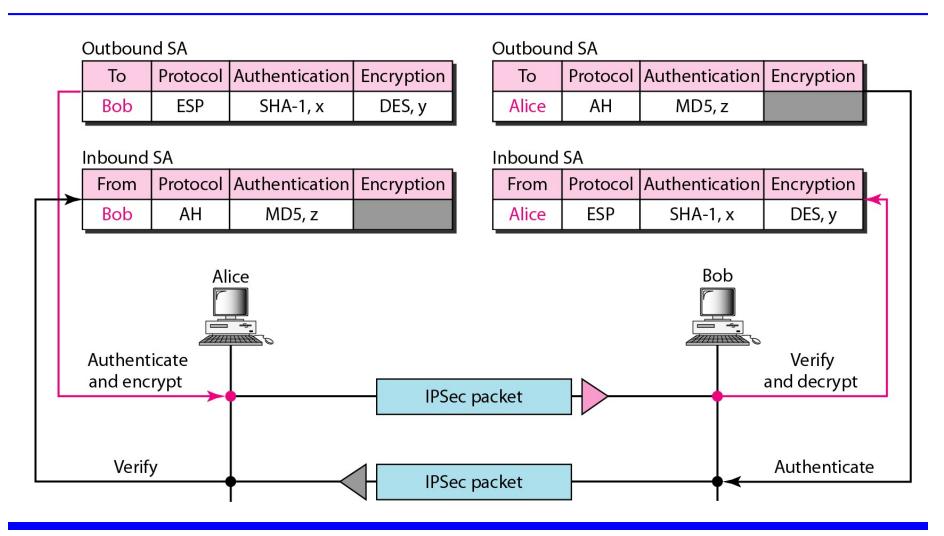
Note

ESP provides source authentication, data integrity, and privacy.

Table 32.1 IPSec services

Services	AH	ESP
Access control		Yes
Message authentication (message integrity)	Yes	Yes
Entity authentication (data source authentication)	Yes	Yes
Confidentiality	No	Yes
Replay attack protection	Yes	Yes

Figure 32.8 Simple inbound and outbound security associations

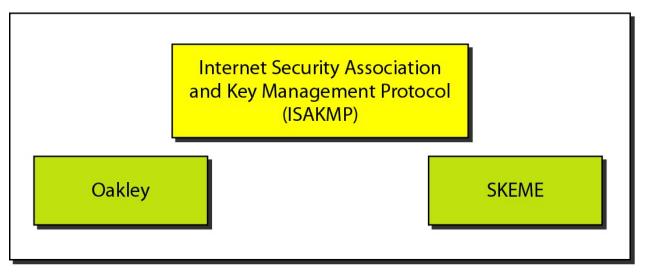






IKE creates SAs for IPSec.

Figure 32.9 IKE components



Internet Key Exchange (IKE)

Table 32.2 Addresses for private networks

Prefix	Range	Total
10/8	10.0.0.0 to 10.255.255.255	2^{24}
172.16/12	172.16.0.0 to 172.31.255.255	2^{20}
192.168/16	192.168.0.0 to 192.168.255.255	2^{16}

Figure 32.10 Private network

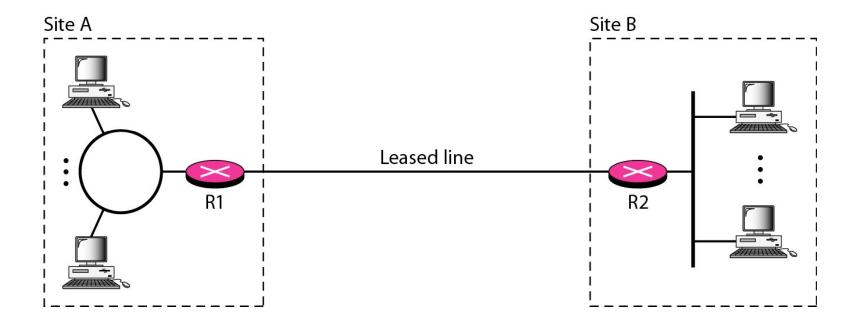


Figure 32.11 Hybrid network

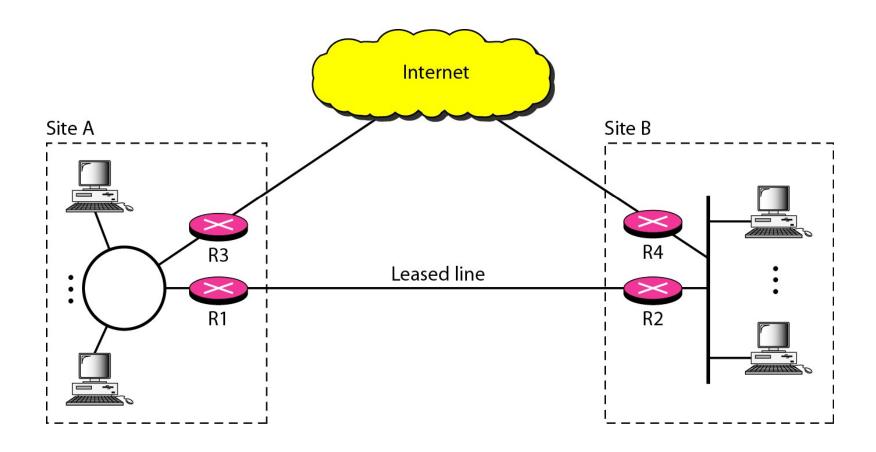


Figure 32.12 Virtual private network

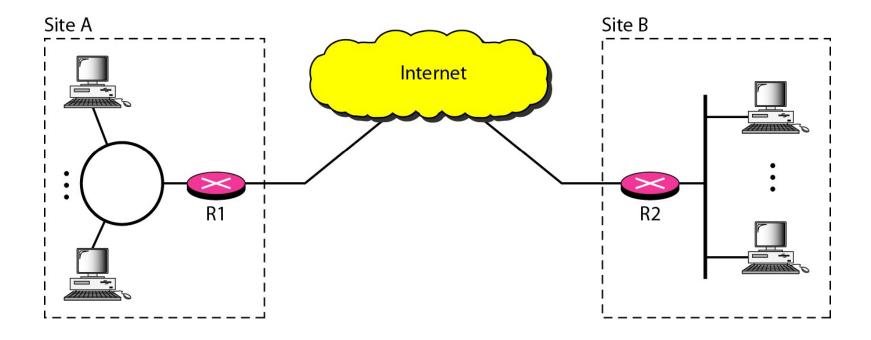
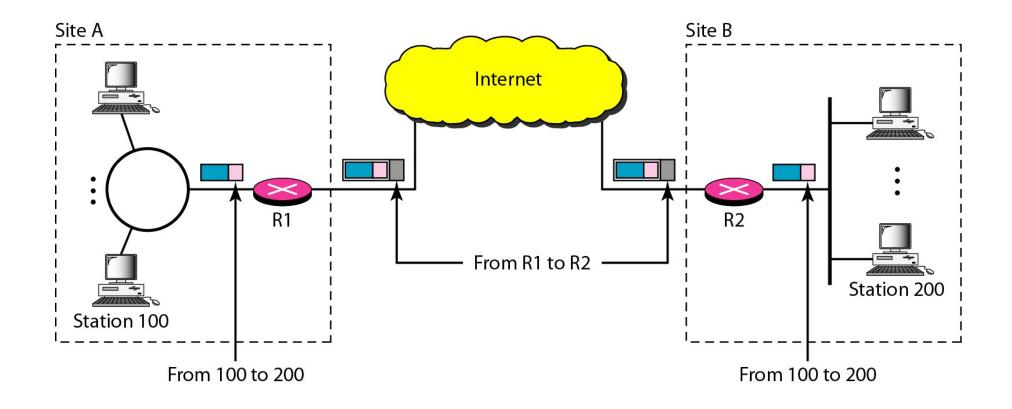


Figure 32.13 Addressing in a VPN



32-2 SSL/TLS

Two protocols are dominant today for providing security at the transport layer: the Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) Protocol and the Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol. The latter is actually an IETF version of the former.

Topics discussed in this section:

SSL Services
Security Parameters
Sessions and Connections
Four Protocols
Transport Layer Security

Figure 32.14 Location of SSL and TLS in the Internet model

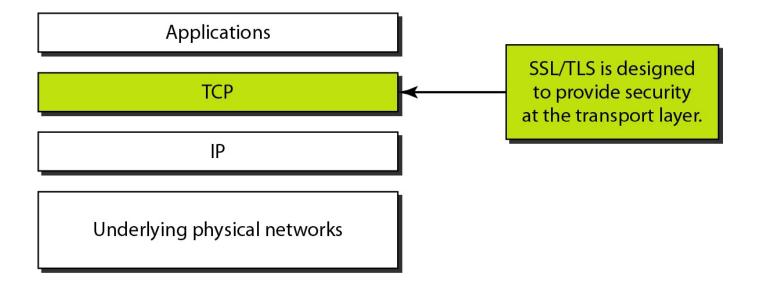


Table 32.3 SSL cipher suite list

Cipher Suite	Key Exchange Algorithm	Encryption Algorithm	Hash Algorithm
SSL_NULL_WITH_NULL_NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL
SSL_RSA_WITH_NULL_MD5	RSA	NULL	MD5
SSL_RSA_WITH_NULL_SHA	RSA	NULL	SHA
SSL_RSA_WITH_RC4_128_MD5	RSA	RC4_128	MD5
SSL_RSA_WITH_RC4_128_SHA	RSA	RC4_128	SHA
SSL_RSA_WITH_IDEA_CBC_SHA	RSA	IDEA_CBC	SHA
SSL_RSA_WITH_DES_CBC_SHA	RSA	DES_CBC	SHA
SSL_RSA_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA	RSA	3DES_EDE_CBC	SHA
SSL_DH_anon_WITH_RC4_128_MD5	DH_anon	RC4_128	MD5
SSL_DH_anon_WITH_DES_CBC_SHA	DH_anon	DES_CBC	SHA
SSL_DH_anon_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA	DH_anon	3DES_EDE_CBC	SHA

 Table 32.3
 SSL cipher suite list (continued)

Cipher Suite	Key Exchange Algorithm	Encryption Algorithm	Hash Algorithm
SSL_DHE_RSA_WITH_DES_CBC_SHA	DHE_RSA	DES_CBC	SHA
SSL_DHE_RSA_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA	DHE_RSA	3DES_EDE_CBC	SHA
SSL_DHE_DSS_WITH_DES_CBC_SHA	DHE_DSS	DES_CBC	SIIA
SSL_DHE_DSS_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA	DHE_DSS	3DES_EDE_CBC	SHA
SSL_DH_RSA_WITH_DES_CBC_SHA	DH_RSA	DES_CBC	SHA
SSL_DH_RSA_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA	DH_RSA	3DES_EDE_CBC	SHA
SSL_DH_DSS_WITH_DES_CBC_SHA	DH_DSS	DES_CBC	SHA
SSL_DH_DSS_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA	DH_DSS	3DES_EDE_CBC	SHA
SSL_FORTEZZA_DMS_WITH_NULL_SHA	FORTEZZA_DMS	NULL	SHA
SSL_FORTEZZA_DMS_WITH_FORTEZZA_CBC_SHA	FORTEZZA_DMS	FORTEZZA_CBC	SHA
SSL_FORTEZZA_DMS_WITH_RC4_128_SHA	FORTEZZA_DMS	RC4_128	SHA



Note

The client and the server have six different cryptography secrets.

Figure 32.15 Creation of cryptographic secrets in SSL

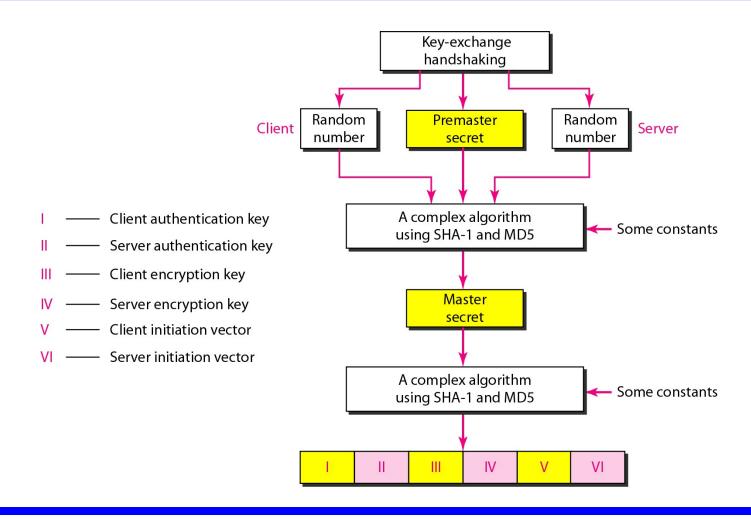


Figure 32.16 Four SSL protocols

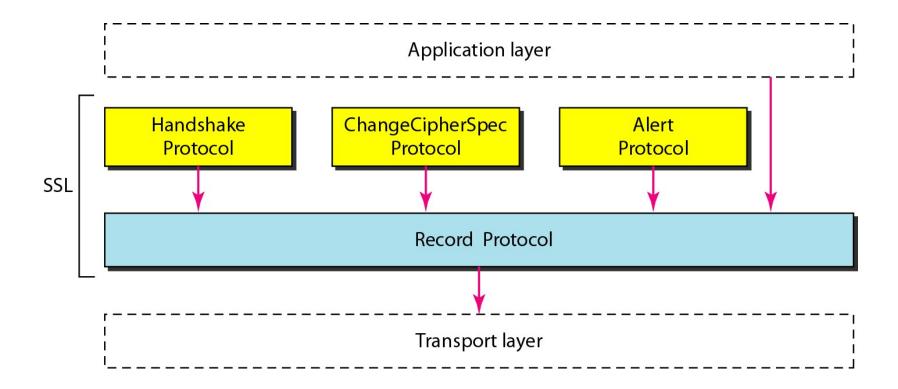


Figure 32.17 Handshake Protocol

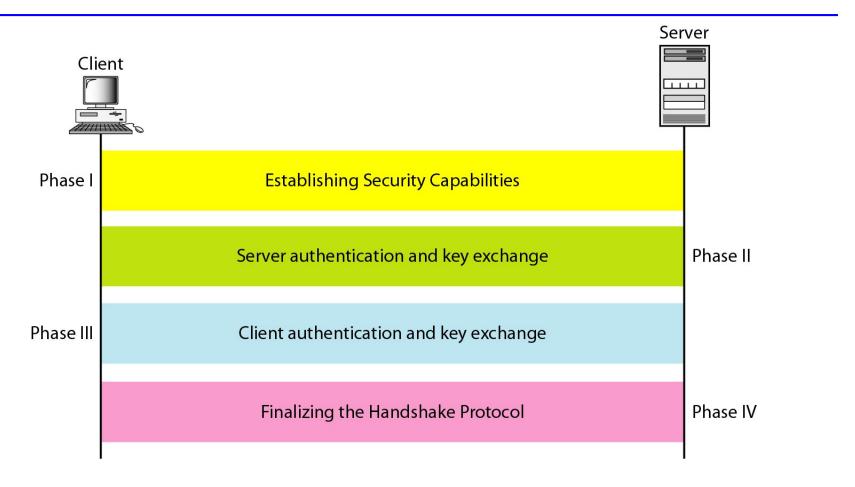


Figure 32.18 Processing done by the Record Protocol

