

Internet Engineering

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Security Issues

- ◊ Why we need Security
- ◊ What is required
- ◊ Mechanisms for digital security
- ◊ Encryption/Decryption and algorithms
- ◊ Symmetric (shared) key vs Public Key
- ◊ Use of Security for
 - The Web (HTTP)
 - E-Mail

Why Security?

- ◊ Can use web to look for information
 - Information available to everyone
 - Nothing secret
 - No real security issues
 - just protect data from modification
- ◊ Can also use web to buy things
 - When buying, must pay
 - How?
 - Credit card is common solution
 - Supply number to web server (product supplier)
 - Supplier sends invoice to credit card company
 - They pay supplier, bill you
- ◊ Other methods exist
 - All require buyer to send something to server
 - Something server can use to obtain payment

Why Security? (2)

◇ The critical step

- I send credit card number to web server
 - The only network step
- ◇ What if someone is watching the packets?
 - They see credit card numbers
 - Easy - credit card numbers are easy to recognise
 - They collect the numbers
 - Use them to buy whatever they want
 - The bill comes to me!
 - Not Nice!
- ◇ Need protection
 - Prevent packets being observed
 - That is, secrecy
 - One of the types of security

Confidentiality

◇ Confidentiality

- Privacy
- Secrecy
- Not a new requirement with networks
- Spies have needed this forever
 - Send secret message back to headquarters
- Spy & HQ have code book
 - Spy encodes message
 - Transmits encoded message
 - HQ receives message & decodes it
- Anyone else receiving message
 - It is just nonsense (need code book to decode)
- Same basic method used today
 - Details differ (No code books any more)
 - Both systems have a secret
 - usually called key
 - Use key to encrypt message before sending
 - And to decrypt messages received

Other Security Requirements

◇ Confidentiality easy to understand

- some data must remain secret

◇ But not the only issue

◇ Integrity

- Protection from modification
- Even if data not secret

◇ Authentication

- Knowing identity of other end-point
 - (host / user / organisation ...)

◇ Non-repudiation

- Other party cannot deny transaction later
- Aspect of authentication

Encryption and Requirements

- ◇ Using encryption
 - Confidentiality
 - ▷ obvious - only meaningless data visible
 - Integrity
 - ▷ if data modified
 - will decrypt to junk
 - attacker does not know key
 - Authentication
 - ▷ Message correctly encrypted
 - ▷ Sender knew key
 - ▷ Only you and I know key
 - ▷ I did not send the message
 - ▷ So I know it must have really come from you
 - Non-repudiation
 - ▷ A problem ...
 - ▷ I know message came from you
 - But I cannot prove it
 - ▷ I might have sent the message

Security Algorithms

- ◇ Many algorithms exist to encrypt data
 - Most have the properties
 - ▷ secret shared key exists
 - shared ==> both ends know it
 - ▷ algorithm uses data & key
 - produces scrambled data (encrypted)
 - ▷ algorithm given encrypted data & key
 - produces original data
- ◇ Terminology
 - plaintext The un-encrypted data
 - ciphertext The encrypted data
- ◇ Properties of algorithms
 - ▷ Shared (or Symmetric) key algorithms
 - Very hard to go from ciphertext to plaintext
 - ▷ without having key
 - Extremely hard to discover key
 - ▷ even with both plaintext & ciphertext
 - ▷ even with chosen plaintext & ciphertext

Some Symmetric Key Algorithms

- ◇ DES
 - Data Encryption Standard
 - US Govt standard - in the past
 - ▷ 56 bit key
 - ▷ Considered too weak by today's standards
- ◇ 3DES
 - Run DES algorithm (approximately) 3 times
 - ▷ Forwards, backwards, forwards again
 - ▷ Using different keys
- ◇ AES
 - Advanced Encryption Standard
 - ▷ 128 bit keys (or more)
 - ▷ Much more secure
- ◇ Blowfish
 - ▷ 40 to 448 bit key
- ◇ Cast128
 - ▷ 40 to 128 bit key

Web Security (Reprise)

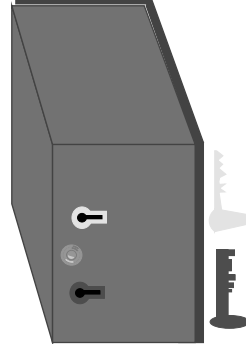
- ◇ Now we have method to send secret data
 - We can use that to send credit card numbers
 - And any other secret data
- ◇ The problem:
 - How do we create the key?
 - ▷ Easy: someone picks a big random number
 - How to we get key to our partner?
 - ▷ Cannot just send over net
 - ▷ It must be kept secret
 - ▷ We cannot use encryption...
 - Or not this kind anyway
- ◇ Key Exchange Protocols
 - Protocols exist for key exchange
 - That is
 - ▷ exchanging keys securely
 - Not covered in this course

Web Security (Reprise 2)

- ◇ Assume we have key distribution method
 - A secure key distribution method
- ◇ Is our web transaction now secure?
- ◇ How do we know who we are talking to?
- ◇ We can send data securely to partner
 - But partner can read it
 - Obviously!
 - What if partner is not who we thought?
 - The bad guy gets to read our secret data!
- ◇ Need a way to prove identity
 - Digital Certificates
 - ▷ Signed digital certificates

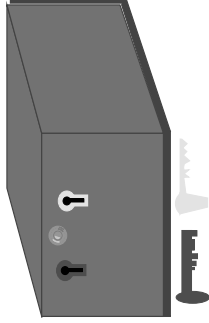
Digital Signatures

- ◇ First, a digression ...
- ◇ Suppose we had a very strong box
 - Can only be opened with a key



- ◇ The box has 2 key holes
 - And a coloured indicator (light)
- ◇ There is one key for each hole
 - Keys only fit in the correct key hole

The strong box



- ◇ **When the indicator is green**
 - The box is unlocked - It can be opened easily
 - The red key will lock the box and turn the indicator yellow
 - The yellow key will lock the box and turn the indicator red
- ◇ **When the indicator is not green**
 - The box is locked
 - Only the key shown by the indicator works
 - ▷ That key unlocks the box
 - ▷ Turns the indicator green again
- ◇ **Box locked with one key**
 - unlocked by the other

Using the box

- ◇ **If we make many boxes**
 - ▷ All identical
 - And make many yellow keys
 - ▷ All identical
 - Only one red key
- ◇ **Give a box to anyone**
 - With a yellow key to lock it
- ◇ **Keep the red key**
 - No-one else ever sees it
- ◇ **Then anyone can put things in their box**
 - And lock the box with their yellow key
 - The indicator turns red
 - ▷ Only the red key opens the box
- ◇ **People can send things**
 - No-one else is able to look at
 - ▷ Except the owner of the red key
 - Others cannot open the box

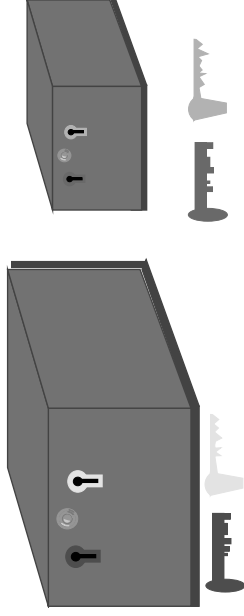
Using the box (2)

- ◇ **If we make a box (or several)**
 - And make many yellow keys
 - Only one red key
- ◇ **Give a yellow key to anyone**
- ◇ **Keep the red key**
 - No-one else ever sees it
- ◇ **Owner of red key**
 - puts things in box
 - locks box with red key
 - ▷ indicator turns yellow
 - ▷ only yellow key can open it
 - There are many yellow keys
 - ▷ Anyone can unlock box remove contents
 - But
 - ▷ When they do, they know who locked it
 - ▷ That is, they know who sent the box
 - The owner of the one red key

Using the box (3)

◇ Build another similar box

- make it smaller with different keys



◇ Many copies of blue key

- Only one copy of purple key

◇ Owner of small purple key

- puts stuff inside small box
- locks box with purple key
 - indicator goes blue
- puts small box inside big box
- locks big box with yellow key

Using the box (4)

◇ Only the owner of red key

- Can unlock the big (outer) box

◇ Contents delivered securely to Red-Owner

◇ When Red-Owner opens box

- Small box found inside
- Indicator is blue
- Blue key used to open small box
 - Must have been locked by purple key

◇ So, contents delivered securely

- and origin of contents known for sure

◇ Terminology

- Yellow (and Blue) Key
 - Public Key
 - Given to anyone at all
- Red (and Purple) Key
 - Private Key
 - Kept secret to owner

Public Key Encryption

◇ Can do the same thing

- Using encryption algorithms (mathematics)

◇ Have algorithm with two keys

- Either key used to encrypt data
- The other key must be used to decrypt

◇ Give one key away to everyone

- The Public Key

◇ Keep the other key secret

- The Private Key

◇ Terminology

- data encrypted by private key
- Signed
- Anyone can decrypt it using the public key
 - So no secrecy from this encryption
- When they decrypt
 - They know for certain who encrypted it
- That is the same as a signature on a document

Use of Public/Private Keys

- ◇ Confidentiality
 - Encrypt using recipient's public key
- ◇ Integrity
 - Data not visible
 - ▷ Hard to modify
 - ▷ Easy to replace completely
 - public key known to all
- ◇ Authentication
 - Add signature
 - Encrypt with sender's private key
 - ▷ guarantees identity of sender
 - Only person who has that key
 - ▷ Also guarantees integrity
 - if data replaced, signature lost
- ◇ Non-repudiation
 - Only sender could have signed it
 - ▷ Even recipient does not know sender's key
 - So, if signed
 - ▷ Must have been sent by the sender

The remaining problem

- ◇ Who was the sender?
 - Data signed
 - ▷ So we know owner of private key sent it
 - ▷ But who is that?
 - How do we know who owns the private key
 - ▷ We have public key
 - ▷ Public key says
 - Al Robert's Public key
 - ▷ How do you know that is correct?
- ◇ We need proof of identity somehow

Certificates

- ◇ Organisation (or person) creates public/private keys
- ◇ Takes public key to trusted organisation
 - Perhaps government department
 - Or another trustworthy organisation
 - ▷ Call this organisation Certificate Authority
- ◇ Proves identity to Certificate Authority
 - and proves ownership of public key
 - ▷ by using private key to encrypt some data
- ◇ Certificate Authority verifies all data
 - Then signs the public key
 - ▷ Plus owner's identity information
 - That is,
 - ▷ encrypts it all with CA's private key
- ◇ This is known as a certificate
 - Organisation takes away the signed certificate
 - ▷ Gives copies of this away instead of just public key

Certificates (2)

- ◇ CA's public key known to all
 - Widely distributed
 - If fake version appears
 - ▷ someone will recognise it is incorrect
 - ▷ advise everyone to be careful
- ◇ When anyone gets a certificate
 - They decrypt using CA's public key
 - If valid
 - ▷ That is: If decryption succeeds
 - Now know identity of owner
 - And owner's public key

◇ When we have a certificate

- We can send secret message to its owner
- We are certain who that is
 - ▷ Only that owner can read our message
 - ▷ We encrypt using their public key
- We can authenticate their signature
 - ▷ We decrypt using their public key

Public Key Encryption

◇ Two common algorithms

- RSA
 - ▷ Rivest Shamir Adleman
- Diffie-Hellman

◇ RSA most common

- very slow to operate with private key
- average speed operating with public key
- slow to create key pair

◇ D-H

- slow to encrypt/decrypt data with either key
- very slow to create key pair

◇ Major Problem

- Both algorithms are very slow
 - ▷ We can encrypt only small amounts of data
- * Too much takes too long

Another Digression

◇ We have

- Shared Key encryption
 - ▷ fast but needs shared secret
- Public Key Encryption
 - ▷ slow but no shared secrets

◇ There is also

- Cryptographic Hash Function

◇ Hash function

- Take data (perhaps much data)
 - ▷ generate much smaller result
 - ▷ where result depends upon input
 - different input, different output
 - though many different inputs produce same output
- Hash functions have many uses

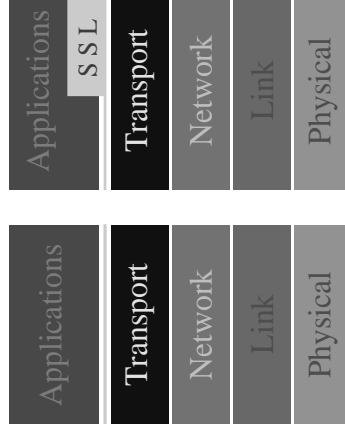
Cryptographic Hash

- ◇ Hash function with extra properties
 - Very difficult to find input
 - ▷ to generate a desired hash result
 - Very difficult to modify input
 - ▷ and leave hash result unchanged
- ◇ Digital Signatures
 - Encrypt data using private key (very slow)
 - ▷ Too costly if data is large
 - ▷ Any data not included
 - easily changed by attacker
- ◇ Solution
 - Hash all data using crypto hash (very fast)
 - Encrypt hash result using private key (small result)
 - Attach encrypted hash result as digital signature
- ◇ Verification
 - Detach digital signature (decrypt and save)
 - Hash data - Compare result with that from signature
 - If the same: Signature verified, data unaltered

Back to the Web

- ◇ Secure Web pages
 - Page accompanied by a certificate
 - Certificate guarantees identity of owner
 - ▷ Page itself can be signed
- ◇ To send secure data
 - Generate key for a symmetric key protocol
 - Encrypt that using Public Key encryption
 - ▷ Using public key from certificate
 - Encrypt other data using symmetric key protocol
- ◇ Owner of certificate
 - ▷ The organisation we want to send to
- Has private key
- Can decrypt the key for symmetric protocol
- Can then decrypt the other data
- ◇ Others
 - Do not have the private key
 - Cannot decrypt the message

Secure Sockets Layer



- ◇ Traditional Internet layers
- ◇ Secure Sockets Layer
 - Extends Sockets Interface
 - Implemented in Applications
 - ▷ As library routines
 - ▷ Available to any application

SSL

Network Security

- ◊ SSL is implemented at transport layer
 - or just above it
 - Also known as Transport Layer Security
- ◊ Can also have security at network layer
 - IP Security
- ◊ Node to Node security
- ◊ IPsec Protects all communications between two nodes
 - All transport protocols
 - Including ICMP
 - Hides transport headers
 - Port numbers protected
 - But:
 - Requires implementation in network stack
 - Key distribution is harder
 - Used much less often

IPsec

Security Mechanisms

- ◊ IPsec
 - Network Level Security
 - Node to Node
- ◊ TLS
 - Transport Level Security
 - Process to Process
- ◊ For E-Mail
 - Which is appropriate?
 - Is either appropriate?
- ◊ NO
 - Want to know
 - message is from who it says
 - message is unmodified
 - message is private (perhaps)
 - Want user to user security

E-Mail Security

- ◊ IPsec for e-mail
 - Protects mail between MTA & next MTA
 - or MTA to/from MUA
 - Content of mail might be anything
 - No guarantees at all
 - Content is what is important
- ◊ TLS (SSL)
 - Almost the same as IPsec
 - But from MTA to MTA
 - rather than MTA's host to MTA's host
- ◊ Neither knows about people
 - e-mail is all about people
 - Is From: header address
 - really the authorising entity

Security Model for e-mail

- ◇ **Most server security**
 - client application must verify server
 - Make sure server client connected to
 - ▷ is the server it claims to be
 - Done using certificate
 - ▷ Owner of certificate has Private Key
 - ▷ Can prove ownership
 - ▷ Certificate contains identity
 - Client identity largely irrelevant
 - ▷ Server serves everyone
- ◇ **Useless for e-mail**
- ◇ **For e-mail**
 - client identity most important
 - ▷ Actual human user identity
 - Server largely irrelevant

Security Model for e-mail (2)

- ◇ **Proof of identity**
 - Certificates handle this
 - But "real" certificates cost a lot
 - ▷ perhaps 100,000 THB
 - ▷ every year or two
- ◇ **How many people in the room have a certificate?**
 - How many will ever have one?
- ◇ **Costly part of certificate**
 - The validation
 - Signature of Certificate Authority
 - ▷ They must investigate first
- ◇ **Self-signed certificates**
 - I say: "Yes, it really is me"
- ◇ **Can we trust that?**

Trust Model for e-mail

- ◇ **No, self-signed certificate not much better**
 - than the From: header address
- ◇ **Sender creates both**
 - Either might be fake
- ◇ **But**
 - Certificate can be widely published
 - Claimed to belong to me
 - If fake
 - ▷ hope someone will notice
 - ▷ expose the forgery
 - Better than nothing
- ◇ **Better still**
 - If I know you
 - You tell me that is your certificate
 - ▷ I can sign it for you
 - You tell other friends
 - ▷ They also sign your certificate

Trust Model for e-mail (2)

- ◇ Recipient receives mail
 - Signed by the sender
- ◇ Recipient looks up certificate
 - Sender's certificate
- ◇ Obtains Public Key
 - Can verify signature
- ◇ Now we know
 - Message was signed by certificate owner
- ◇ But, who is that?
- ◇ If sender's certificate is signed by me
 - Then I know it is correct
 - I checked before I signed it
- ◇ If sender's certificate is signed by you
 - And I trust you
 - Then I can also believe certificate
 - ▷ To same extent I trust you

Trust Model for e-mail (3)

- ◇ Can extend this
 - Certificate claims to be owner by A
 - ▷ Signed by B
 - B's certificate
 - ▷ Proves B is who he says
 - ▷ Allows us to validate signature
 - * on A's certificate
 - ▷ Signed by C
 - * C promises B is really B
 - * And this is B's certificate
 - C's certificate
 - ▷ Same as B's Signed by D ...
- ◇ Eventually some certificate is signed by me
 - That one I certainly trust
 - Allows all certificates in chain
 - ▷ to be trusted
 - * Including A's eventually
- ◇ We now know mail is really from A

E-Mail security encoding

- ◇ SMIME
 - Secure MIME
- ◇ PGP
 - Pretty Good Privacy
 - * (Pretty here means "Fairly" or "Quite")
- ◇ Message is signed
 - Signature appended
 - Private encapsulation method
 - ▷ PGP pre-dates use of MIME
- ◇ Signature covers hash of message content
 - stops cutting signature from one message
 - pasting it into another
- ◇ Message is optionally encrypted
 - Encrypted using recipient's public key
 - Only recipient can decrypt it

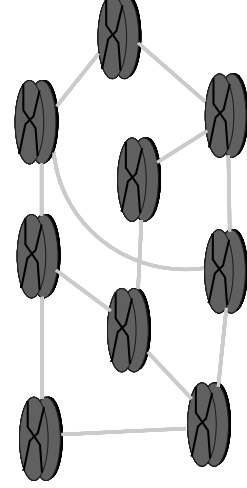
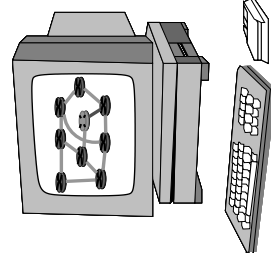
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Network Management

- ◊ Large Network
 - Many Routers
 - Many Links
- ◊ Is it all working?
 - How do we know?
 - Wait for user to complain?
- ◊ Not good enough
 - Need to monitor operations
 - Need to correct problems
 - When problems detected
 - Even better
 - Predict problems in advance
 - Fix before they occur
- ◊ This is Network Management
 - Sometimes includes Network Configuration

Network Management



- ◊ Management Station
 - Display Network Information
 - Graphical or otherwise
 - Indicate Problems
 - Colour, Flashing, Pop-Up, ...
 - Allow investigation

Network Problems

- ◇ Problems to watch for
 - Crashed Routers
 - Faulty Links
 - ▷ Link Broken
 - ▷ High error rate
 - Routing Problems
 - Network Congestion
 - (and more)
- ◇ Data collection
 - In-Band
 - ▷ Uses network
 - Good, provided network works
 - Cheap
 - Out-of-Band
 - ▷ Uses other links
 - ▷ Dial up
 - Expensive
 - Works with broken net

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Predicting Faults

- ◇ Can
 - Wait for problem
 - Fix
 - Repeat
- ◇ Not good
 - Between problem & fix
 - ▷ network not operating
- ◇ Better
 - Watch for coming problem
 - ▷ Error rate increasing
 - ▷ Router approaching 100% CPU
 - ▷ Link usage approaching capacity
 - Correct before problem serious
 - ▷ Fix link errors
 - ▷ Add capacity

Network Capacity Monitoring

- ◇ When
 - Usage of link increasing
 - Seems to need more bandwidth
 - ▷ Expensive
- ◇ But, do we really?
 - Is it end of semester traffic
 - ▷ Does increase happen each year?
 - What is causing increase?
 - ▷ Maybe reduce demand
 - ▷ instead of increasing capacity
- ◇ To answer
 - Need to know
 - ▷ What kind of traffic
 - ▷ From where to where
 - ▷ Historical usage patterns
- ◇ Network Monitoring

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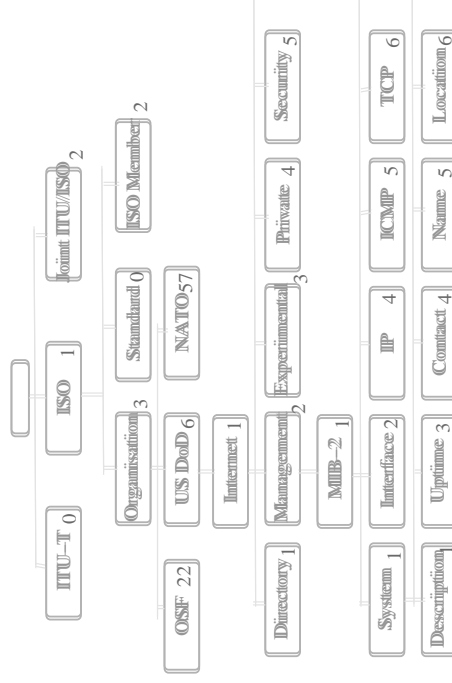
Collecting Data

- ◇ Management Information
 - Collected in Database
- ◇ Data in Database: Management Information
 - Management Information Base
- ◇ Tree Structured Database
 - Data at leaves of tree
 - Branches group related information
 - Higher levels (towards root)
 - ▷ Definition authority
- ◇ All information is named
 - Necessary to fetch over network
- ◇ All information is typed
 - So know what data represents
 - ▷ Numbers, Strings, Status. ...

Standard MIB

- ◇ Tree similar to DNS tree
 - Nodes represent management information
 - Written with root at left
- ◇ Root at top of tree
 - Major organisational nodes under root
 - Delegations down tree
 - ▷ to organisations that define data
 - ▷ Standards Bodies
 - IETF, ISO
 - Companies
 - For their equipment
- ◇ Naming uses numbers
 - Primary name source
 - ▷ No arguments
 - ▷ No meaning
- ◇ String names added
 - User-Friendly naming

Standard MIB (2)



◇ MIB Variables

- 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.5
- .iso.org.dod.internet.mgmt.mib2.system.sysName

Id

Object

MIB Variables

- ◇ Simple Variables
 - sysName
 - sysUptime
- ◇ Tables
 - Multiple copies of variable
 - One for each X
 - ▷ For some X
 - eg:
 - ▷ Interface type
 - ▷ One for each interface

Index	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Descr	Type	Mtu	Speed	PhysAddress	AdminStatus	...	
1	Text	Ether	1500				up
2	Text	Loop	30000				up
3	Text	FDDI	8400				down
4	Text	Token Ring	1500				up
5	Text	PPP	1500				testing

MIB Variables (2)

- ◇ Variable Name
 - Object Identifier + Instance Identifier
- ◇ Simple Variables
 - Instance Identifier is "0"
- ◇ Tables
 - Instance Identifier is table index
 - Can be several elements
- ◇ Eg:
 - sysName .1.3.6.1.2.1.1.5.0
 - ifNumber .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.1.0
 - ifType .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.3.3
 - ifDescr .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.2.5

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SNMP

- ◇ Simple Network Management Protocol
 - Not very simple
 - Never mind...
 - ◇ Manager
 - The Management Station
 - And usually the human
 - ◇ Agent
 - System that can access a MIB
 - MIB exists locally
 - ◇ Manager uses SNMP to access agent
 - Fetch Variable(s)
 - Set Variable(s)
- (client)
(server)

SNMP Operations

◇ 3 major operations

- GET
 - ▷ Send Instance Name of Variable
 - ▷ Receive Name & Value of Variable
 - Operates on multiple variables
 - As many as fit in packet
- SET
 - ▷ Send Instance Name of Variable
 - ▷ Send Desired Value for Variable
 - Agent alters variable
 - ▷ Receive new value of Variable
 - Altered if successful
- GETNEXT
 - ▷ Send Object Identifier
 - Any Object Identifier
 - ▷ Receive
 - Name of next variable instance
 - Value of that variable

Powerful GetNext

◇ SNMP people always say

- The powerful GetNext operator
- When referring to GETNEXT

◇ Very useful operator

- Usually used as:
 - ▷ Start with known Object Identifier
 - Make first request
 - ▷ Use Objectid from result
 - As Objectid for next GETNEXT request

◇ eg: start with

- ▷ ifType .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.3
- receive
- ▷ ifType .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.3.1
- then
- ▷ ifType .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.3.2
- ▷ ifType .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.3.3
- later
- ▷ ifMtu .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.4.1

MIB Enumeration

◇ Agent not required

- to implement full MIB
- Just parts meaningful to Agent
 - ▷ In groups
 - If part of group implemented
 - All must be

◇ Problem for Manager

- How to know what parts of MIB supported?
- ◇ Answer

- The powerful GetNext operator

◇ Start with .1, Use GETNEXT

- ▷ Obtain first implemented variable

◇ Keep using GETNEXT

- With variable from result
- Until Name Error result is returned

◇ Manager now has complete list of supported variables

SNMP Operations

- ◇ GET
 - access to (possibly dynamic) memory
- ◇ SET
 - modifications to memory
- ◇ Agent implements MIB
 - Whatever the MIB wants to happen
 - Agent can make occur
- ◇ "Network" management can do anything
 - that computers are able to achieve
- ◇ MIB definitions exist
 - for all kinds of exotic tasks
 - standardises & propriety

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Host Configuration

- ◇ Minimum IP knowledge for host
 - IP address
 - Address of router on link
 - Usually
 - ▷ Subnet mask (Prefix length)
- ◇ To be useful
 - DNS resolver back end (cache) address
- ◇ IP address
 - must be correct for link
 - must not be duplicated
 - ▷ HOW?
- ◇ Router address
 - must be on same link
 - must be address of router
 - ▷ HOW?
- ◇ Original IP hosts
 - human configuration

Manual (human) Configuration

- ◇ **Errors Likely**
 - Most people do not know rules
 - Or simply make mistake
- ◇ **In the past**
 - dedicated staff
 - network specialist
 - for each computer
 - Manual configuration acceptable
 - though not desirable
- ◇ **More recently**
 - more computers than people
 - most users know little
 - simply expect it to work
- ◇ **Need to provide automated mechanism**

Early auto-configuration

- ◇ **BOOTP**
 - Bootstrap Protocol
- ◇ **Needed by systems**
 - with no human interface
 - no way to be configured
 - before booting
- ◇ **Simple protocol**
 - Broadcast on LAN
 - Send me my address
 - Server on LAN replies
 - Address is ...
 - Router is ...
 - Bootstrap server is ...
 - Boot File name is ...
 - Server uses MAC address of client
 - Allows it to send suitable answer
 - Answer broadcast
 - client has no address
 - cannot receive packets normally

BOOTP -> DHCP

- ◇ **BOOTP too limited**
 - Different systems need different data
 - netmask
 - DNS cache address
 - hostname
 - (much more possible)
- ◇ **DHCP created**
 - Based upon BOOTP
 - Spare space in BOOTP packet
 - used for options
 - One option is DHCP command
 - Needed for dynamic address assignment
- ◇ **BOOTP**
 - mac address -> IP address
 - configured for BOOTP server
 - multiple servers possible
 - all use same config file
 - all give the same answers

DHCP

◇ DHCP

- mac address -> IP address
 - dynamically picked by server
- multiple servers
 - different addresses
 - need to handle this

◇ Solution

- 4 message exchange
 - Who can supply address?
 - message broadcast to everyone
 - I can: A available I can: B I can: C
 - message can be broadcast or unicast
 - unicast requires special care
 - Give me address A please
 - message broadcast to everyone
 - so servers that offered B and C see allocation
 - OK A assigned
 - message can be broadcast or unicast
 - green and purple take back offers

Re-using Addresses

◇ Static addresses

- Allocated permanently
 - configured in file
 - available to system forever

◇ More recently

- address shortage
- need to conserve addresses
- don't allocate to vanished systems
- need to reclaim addresses
 - when no longer in use

◇ DHCP adds

- Release operation
 - return address to server
- Few clients use it
 - Must know about to be disconnected
 - often network removed first
 - or system crashes

DHCP Leases

◇ DHCP also adds

- Address Lease time
 - Allocation only valid for N seconds
 - But can be renewed
 - before N seconds have passed

◇ Address renew

- Give me address A please
 - sent via unicast to allocating server
- OK A assigned
- If address re-assignment fails
 - try again
 - return to broadcast
 - search for a server again
 - repeat entire procedure
- If still fails
- All done before old address lease expires
 - If lease does expire
 - Must stop using address

IPv6

- ◊ DHCP requires servers
 - servers must be configured
 - must co-operate if more than one
- ◊ Better than configuring every host
 - But not good
- ◊ IPv6 is new
 - Decided to do better
- ◊ IPv6 allows hosts to assign addresses
 - assign address to itself
- ◊ Needs network prefix
 - can be supplied by router
 - There must be a router
 - or network prefix not required

IPv6 Autoconfiguration

- ◊ Router sends Router Advertisement
 - Periodically
 - or when requested by host
 - Host can send Router Solicitation
- ◊ RA gives
 - prefix (network number)
 - validity timers
 - router address
 - if sender of RA is router
 - other information for hosts
- ◊ Host
 - takes prefix from RA (64 bit prefix)
 - MAC address
 - from LAN card (expanded to 64 bits)
 - combines using a standard rule
 - checks for duplicate address on LAN
 - assigns address to itself

IPv6 Autoconfiguration (2)

- ◊ RA repeats
 - Allows
 - updates to configurations
 - new prefix added
 - old prefix removed
 - verification router remains working
 - address lifetimes to be extended
- ◊ DHCPv6 exists
 - Not needed as much
 - Can be used for address allocation
 - For closely managed networks
 - More likely used
 - to distribute other configuration information