

Answer at most 5 of the 6 parts. (If you answer too many, Part 6 will not be marked.)

Part 1: Authentication protocols

Consider the following key-exchange protocol based on Diffie Hellman:

1. $A \rightarrow B: g, p, g^x$
 2. $B \rightarrow A: g^y, E_{SK}(g^y, g, p, g^x, S_B(g^y, g, p, g^x), Cert_B)$
 3. $A \rightarrow B: E_{SK}(g, p, g^x, g^y, S_A(g, p, g^x, g^y), Cert_A)$
- The session key is $SK = h(g^{xy})$.

What security properties are lost if the following changes are made to the protocol:

- (a) The client A does not send its certificate in message 3.
- (b) The encryption $E_{SK}(\dots)$ is not done.
- (c) The server B saves computing resources by reusing the value of y for a day.

Part 2: Threat analysis

1. An Internet bookstore requires the user to log in with a password. It advertises that it has “VeriSign 128-bit security”.

- (a) What does the advertisement mean?
- (b) What security threats are protected against?
- (c) What security threats are not protected against?

Part 3: Wireless security

Alice has configured her wireless router (router with a built-in WLAN access point) and laptop computer to use WPA2-Personal. Explain the protocol that takes place when the laptop connects to the access point.

Part 4: DDoS

What different defense mechanisms are there against distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks? Compare their potential effectiveness and the problems in deploying them.

Please turn the paper for more problems.

Part 5: Anonymity

Explain the difference between the security goals and threat models for

- an anonymizing email remailer
- the Tor low-latency anonymity system
- low-latency mix network for email

Part 6: TESLA

The picture below illustrates the TESLA protocol.

- Give examples of at least three potential applications for TESLA.
- What buffering requirements does TESLA put on the sender and receivers? Why?
- Can TESLA be used for group communication where everyone can send? Why?

