

QoS Approaches

- Fine grained individual application or flows
 - Intserv
 - E.g. for my video chat application
- Coarse grained aggregated traffic
 - Diffserv
 - E.g. All traffic from CSE (costs \$\$)

Integrated Services

- IETF 1995-97 time frame
- Service Classes
 - guaranteed
 - controlled-load (tolerant, adaptive applications)
 - Simulates lightly loaded link
- Mechanisms
 - signaling protocol: signals required service
 - admission control: rejects traffic that cannot be serviced
 - Policing: make sure that senders stick to agreement
 - packet scheduling: manage how packets are queued

Flowspec

- Rspec: describes service requested from network
 - controlled-load: none
 - guaranteed: delay target
- Tspec: describes flow's traffic characteristics
 - average bandwidth + burstiness: token bucket filter
 - token rate r and bucket depth B
 - must have a token to send a byte
 - must have n tokens to send n bytes
 - start with no tokens
 - accumulate tokens at rate of r per second
 - can accumulate no more than B tokens

Per-Router Mechanisms

- Admission Control
 - decide if a new flow can be supported
 - answer depends on service class
 - not the same as policing
- Packet Processing
 - classification: associate each packet with the appropriate reservation
 - scheduling: manage queues so each packet receives the requested service



Reservation Protocol

- Called signaling in ATM
- Proposed Internet standard: RSVP
- Consistent with robustness of today's connectionless model
- Uses soft state (refresh periodically)
- Designed to support multicast
- Receiver-oriented
- Two messages: PATH and RESV
- Source transmits PATH messages every 30 seconds
- Destination responds with RESV message
- Merge requirements in case of multicast
- Can specify number of speakers

RSVP Example (multicast)



RSVP versus ATM (Q.2931)

RSVP

- receiver generates reservation
- soft state (refresh/timeout)
- separate from route establishment
- QoS can change dynamically
- receiver heterogeneity
- ATM
 - sender generates connection request
 - hard state (explicit delete)
 - concurrent with route establishment
 - QoS is static for life of connection
 - uniform QoS to all receivers

Differentiated Services

- Problem with IntServ: scalability, IntServ operates in a per-flow basis
- Idea: segregate packets into a small number of classes
 - e.g., premium vs best-effort
- Packets marked according to class at edge of network (ND will mark certain packets)
- Core routers implement some per-hop-behavior (PHB)
 - Example: Expedited Forwarding (EF)
 - rate-limit EF packets at the edges
 - PHB implemented with class-based priority queues or Weighted Fair Queue (WFQ)



Chapter 8: Security

Outline

- Encryption Algorithms
- Authentication Protocols
- Message Integrity Protocols
- Key Distribution
- Firewalls



Overview

- Cryptography functions
 - Secret key (e.g., DES)
 - Public key (e.g., RSA)
 - Message digest (e.g., MD5)
- Security services
 - Privacy: preventing unauthorized release of information
 - Authentication: verifying identity of the remote participant
 - Integrity: making sure message has not been altered



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Message Digest

- Cryptographic checksum
 - just as a regular checksum protects the receiver from accidental changes to the message, a cryptographic checksum protects the receiver from malicious changes to the message.
- One-way function
 - given a cryptographic checksum for a message, it is virtually impossible to figure out what message produced that checksum; it is not computationally feasible to find two messages that hash to the same cryptographic checksum.
- Relevance
 - if you are given a checksum for a message and you are able to compute exactly the same checksum for that message, then it is highly likely this message produced the checksum you were given.

Authentication Protocols

Three-way handshake



Trusted third party (Kerberos)



Public key authentication



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Message Integrity Protocols

- Digital signature using RSA
 - special case of a message integrity where the code can only have been generated by one participant
 - compute signature with private key and verify with public key
- Keyed MD5
 - sender: m + MD5(m + k) + E(k, private)
 - receiver
 - recovers random key using the sender's public key
 - applies MD5 to the concatenation of this random key message
- MD5 with RSA signature
 - sender: m + E(MD5(m), private)
 - receiver
 - decrypts signature with sender's public key
 - compares result with MD5 checksum sent with message

Key Distribution

Certificate

- special type of digitally signed document:
 - "I certify that the public key in this document belongs to the entity named in this document, signed X."
- the name of the entity being certified
- the public key of the entity
- the name of the certified authority
- a digital signature
- Certified Authority (CA)
 - administrative entity that issues certificates
 - useful only to someone that already holds the CA's public key.

Key Distribution (cont)

Chain of Trust

- if X certifies that a certain public key belongs to Y, and Y certifies that another public key belongs to Z, then there exists a chain of certificates from X to Z
- someone that wants to verify Z's public key has to know X's public key and follow the chain
- Certificate Revocation List





Proxy-Based Firewalls

- Problem: complex policy
- Example: web server



Denial of Service

- Attacks on end hosts
 - SYN attack
- Attacks on routers
 - Christmas tree packets
 - pollute route cache
- Authentication attacks
- Distributed DoS attacks

