

On the Security of the Pre-Shared Key Ciphersuites of TLS

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PSK-Ciphersuites of TLS

- TLS-PSK: Authentication with Symmetric Keys (PSKs)
- Authentication of resource-restricted clients like smart-cards, SIM Cards, ID Cards, ...

PSK-Ciphersuites of TLS

- Several interesting and important scenarios for TLS with pre-shared keys:
 - Authentication protocol based on TLS-PSK for **EMV smart cards**
 - Application of TLS-PSK in the **Generic Authentication**, the **3GPP mobile phone** standard for UMTS and LTE
 - New electronic **German ID (eID)** card supports online remote authentication

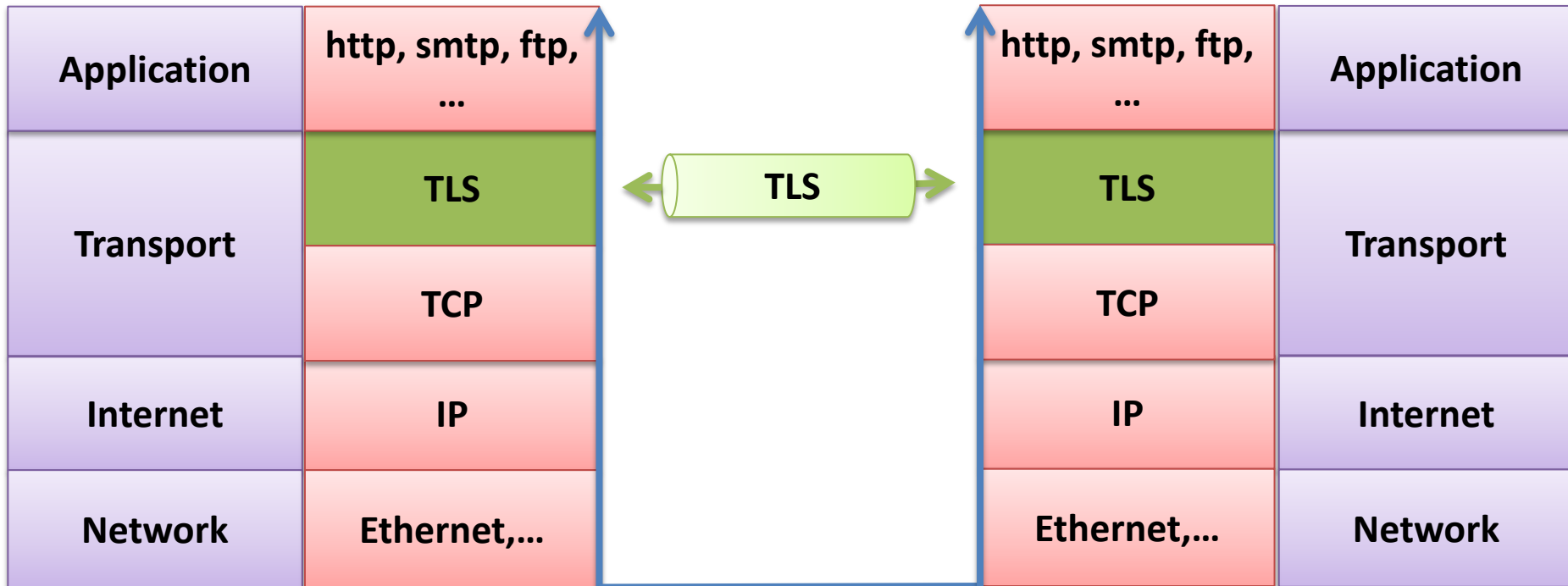
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What is TLS?

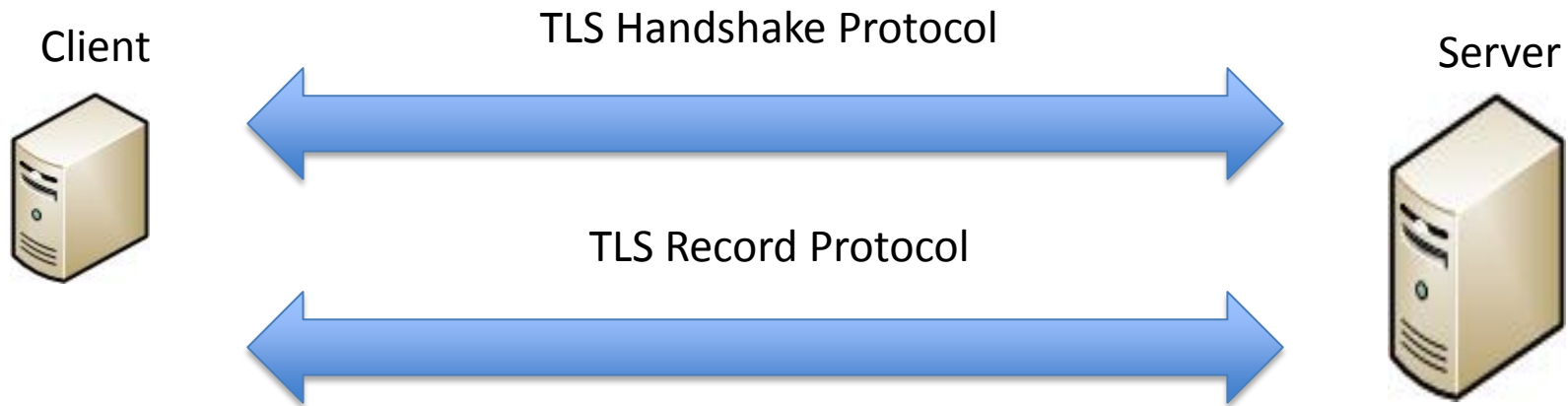
- **Transport Layer Security**
- **Cryptographic protocols** which provide secure communication over the Internet
- **Confidentiality, Integrity and Authenticity**

TLS in TCP/IP Model



Secure Communication Channel

TLS Sessions: Handshake + Record Layer



TLS Handshake:

- **cryptographic parameters**
- **authentication**
- **session key k**

TLS Record Layer:

- Data **encryption** and **authentication** using the **session key k**

Pre-Shared Key Ciphersuites of TLS

3 families of Pre-Shared Key Ciphersuites of TLS:

- Pre-shared Keys (**TLS_PSK**): Session key is solely based on the secret pre-shared keys (**PSK**).
- RSA Encryption (**TLS_RSA_PSK**): Session key is dependent on **PSK** and a freshly exchanged **secret** via **RSA** Encryption.
- Diffie-Hellman key exchange (**TLS_DHE_PSK**): Session key is dependent on **PSK** and **Diffie-Hellman** key exchange.

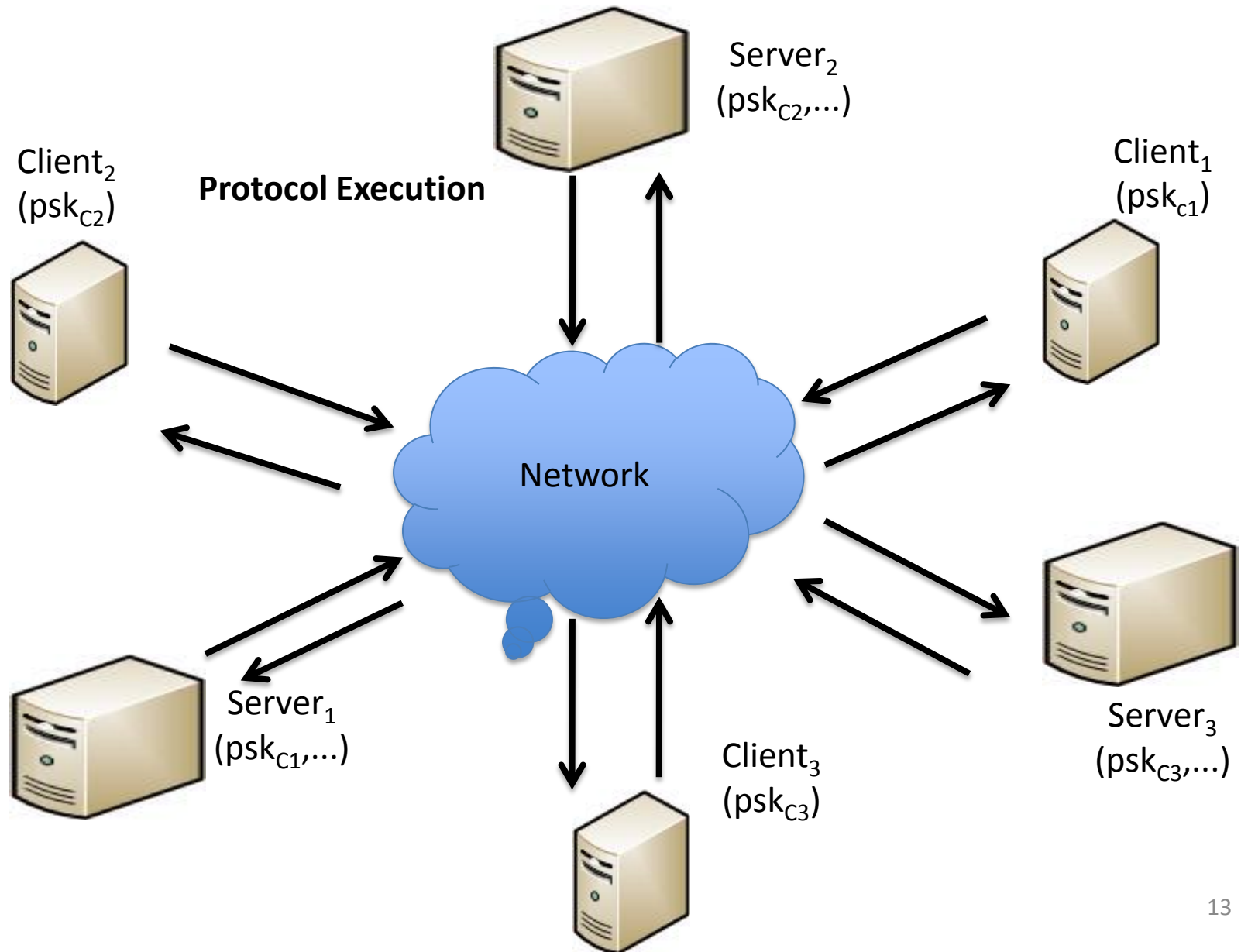
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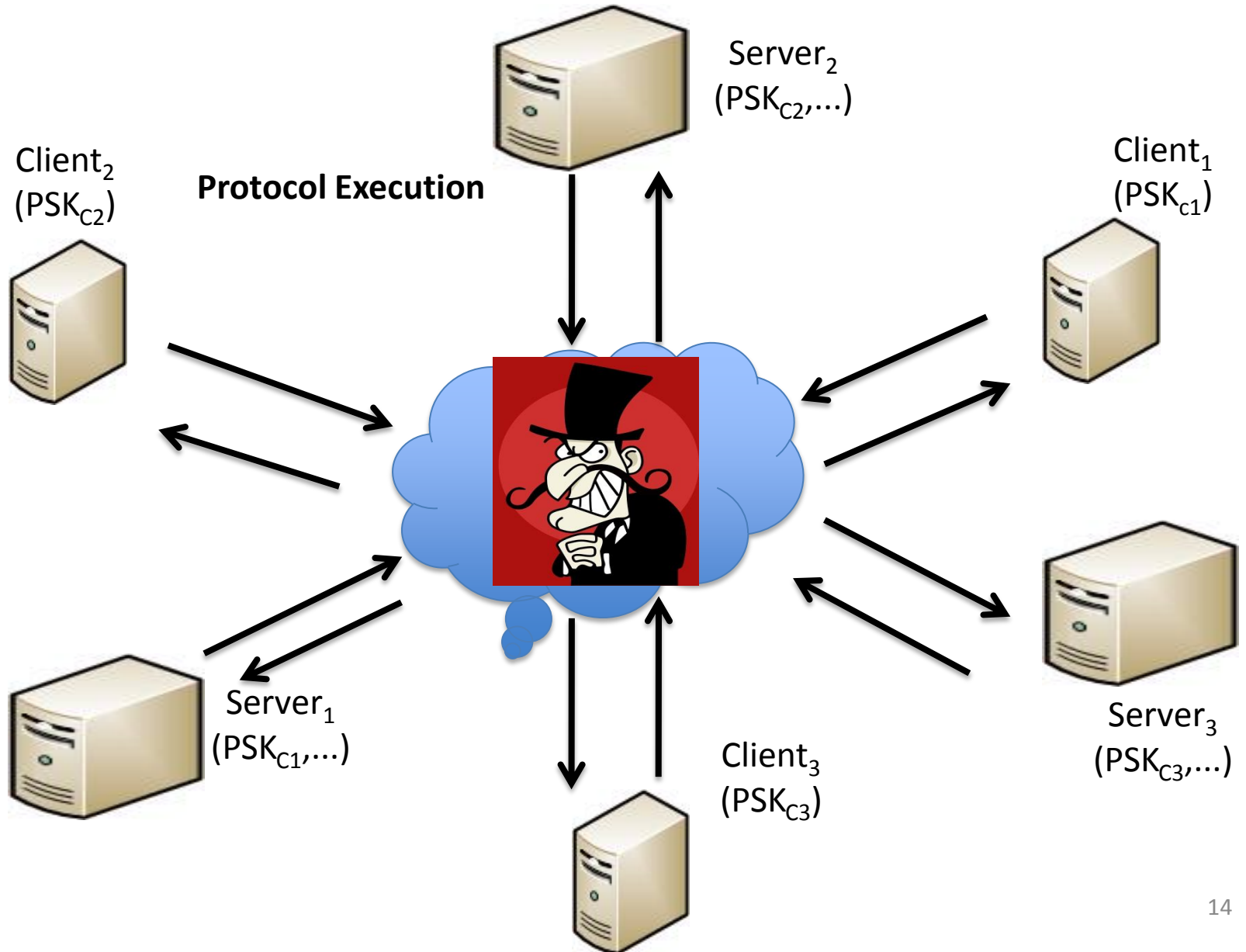
ACCE Model for PSK- Ciphersuites of TLS

- Simple extension of the **Authenticated and Confidential Channel Establishment (ACCE)** model [JKSS'2012] :
 - Cover scenarios **with pre-shared, symmetric keys**
- Model described by Two components
 - **Security Model**
 - **Security Definition**

Real World without adversary (1)



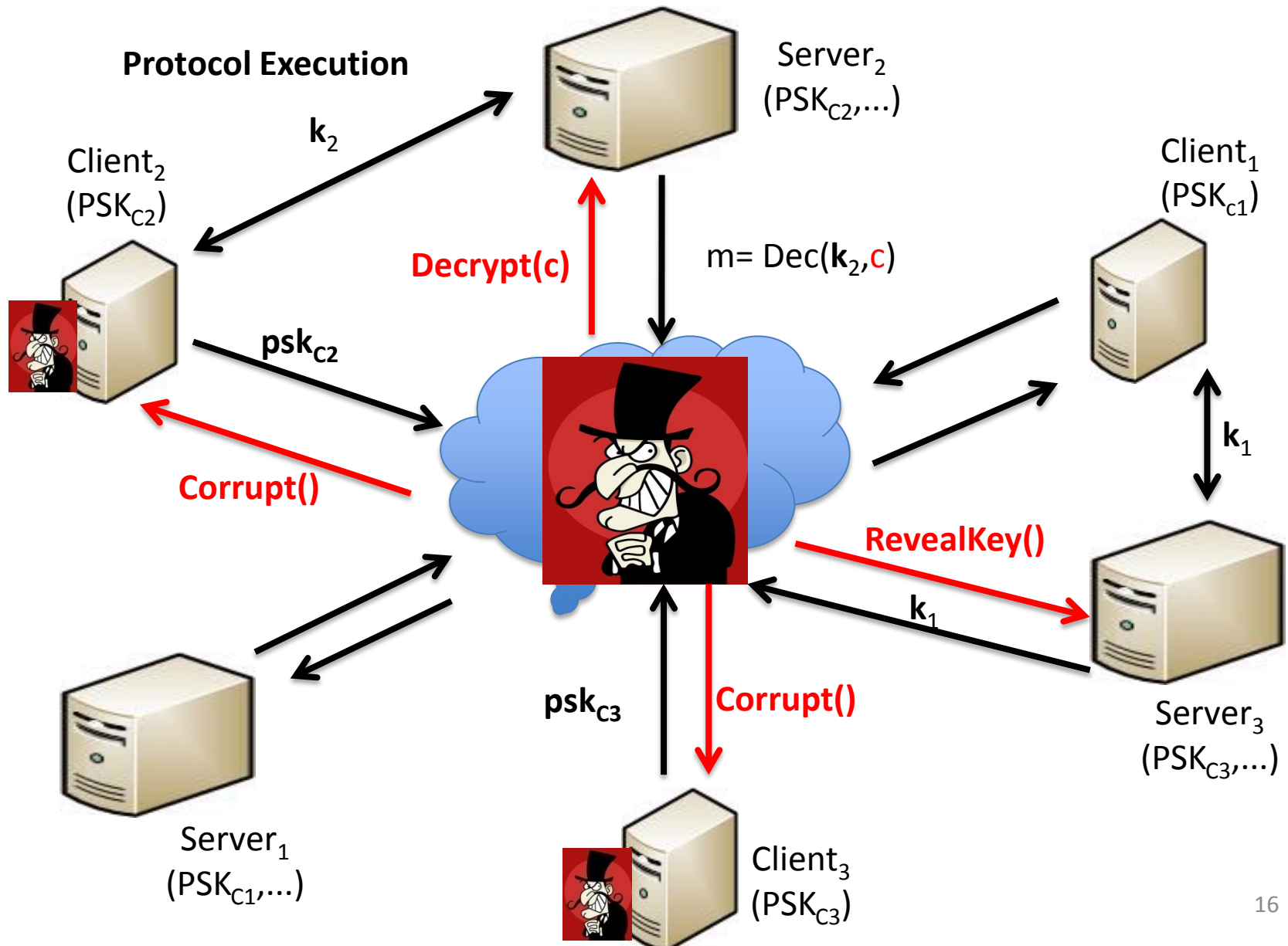
Real World with adversary (2)



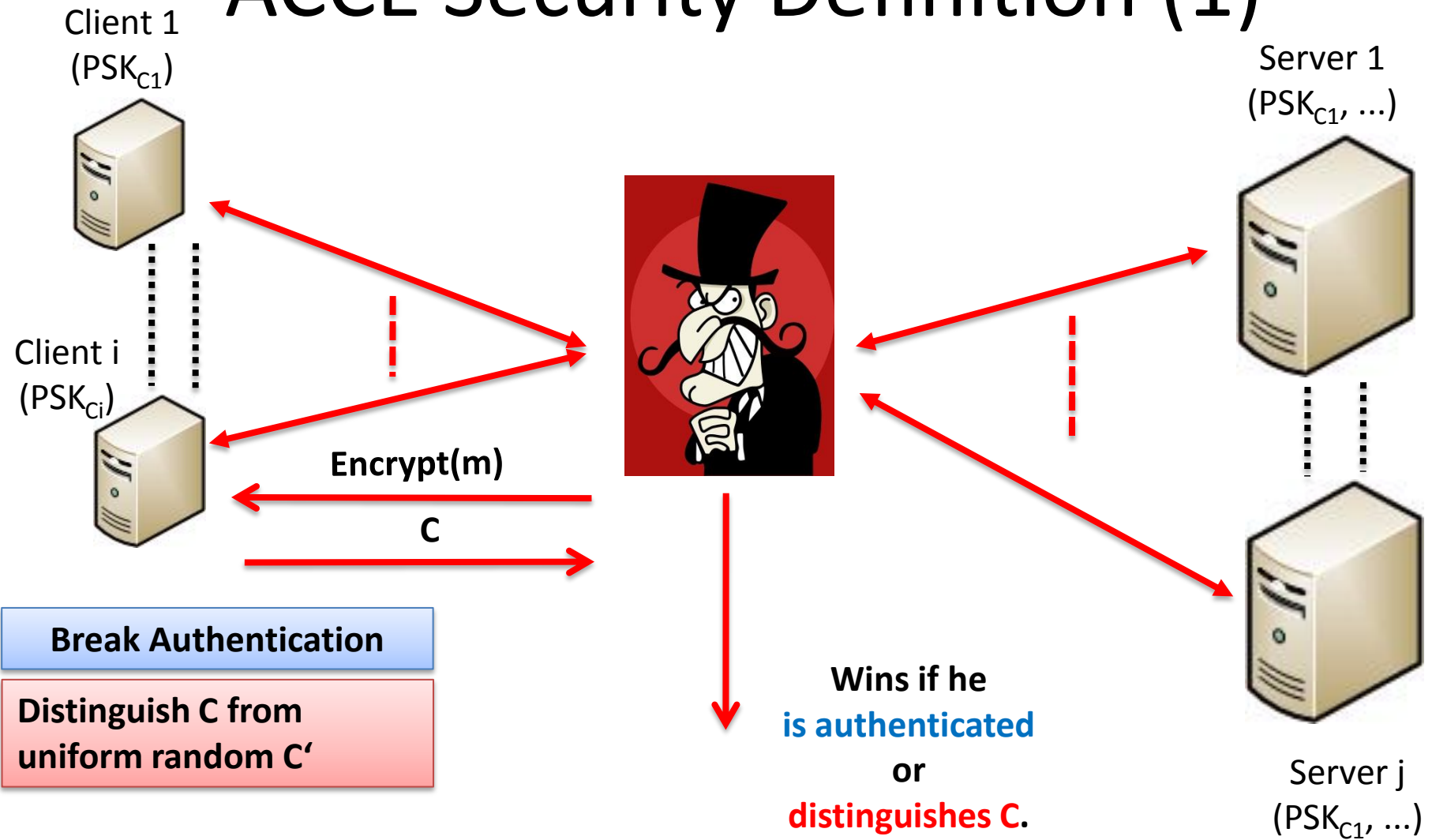
ACCE Adversary Model (1)

- An adversary is allowed to send the following queries to the honest parties:
 - **Send()**
 - **RevealKey()**
 - **Corrupt()**
 - **Encrypt()**
 - **Decrypt()**

Real World without adversary (2)



ACCE Security Definition (1)



ACCE Security Definition (2)

The adversary breaks the protocol if

- he is successfully authenticated by a Server (or Client) (**Authentication Property**) or
- distinguishes **C** from random (**Ciphertext Indistinguishability**).
 - with **Perfect Forward Secrecy**:
 - retain **Ciphertext Indistinguishability** for protocol sessions even if the long-term secrets of the **client** and **server** are exposed **after** session key is created.
 - with **asymmetric** Perfect Forward Secrecy:
 - similar to that of classical perfect forward secrecy except that **only the client** is allowed to be corrupted

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TLS_PSK Handshake



Cipher Suite Agreement Phase:

r_C , Supported Cipher Suites



r_S , selected Cipher Suite



Client has PSK
 $|\text{PSK}|=N$ bytes long

Server has PSK
 $|\text{PSK}|=N$ bytes long

Key Exchange Phase:

PSK identity
pointing to the PSK used for authentication

$\text{pms}=N || 0\dots0 || N || \text{PSK}$
 $\text{ms} = \text{PRF}(\text{pms}; \text{Label}_1, r_C, r_S)$
 $k = \text{PRF}(\text{ms}; \text{Label}_2, r_C, r_S)$

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Symmetric Encryption Phase:

$\text{fin}_C = \text{PRF}(\text{ms}; \text{Label}_3, H(\text{prev. data}))$

$\text{Enc}(k; \text{const}_S, \text{fin}_C)$



“Accept”, session key
k with Client

“Accept”, session key
k with Server

$\text{Enc}(k; \text{const}_C, \text{fin}_S)$



$\text{fin}_S = \text{PRF}(\text{ms}; \text{Label}_4, H(\text{prev. data}))$

TLS-PSK is a Secure ACCE Protocol

Theorem:

TLS-PSK is a secure ACCE protocol **without forward secrecy**, if

- the PRF is a **secure pseudo-random function**,
- hash function H is **secure collision-resistant hash function**,
- The symmetric encryption is **sLHAE-secure**.

sLHAE [PRS'11]:

- Definition for **symmetric ciphers**
- Exactly for **TLS Protocol**

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{\text{tls}} &\leq \epsilon_{\text{auth}} + \epsilon_{\text{enc}} \\ &= (dl)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2^{\lambda-1}} + 6 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{PRF}} + 2 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{H}} + \frac{1}{2^{\mu-1}} + 6 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{StE}} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Double Pseudo-Random Functions (DPRF)

- **DPRF**: a class of **PRF** with two input-keys
- The **output** of the **DPRF** is **indistinguishable from random** even if the adversary chooses one key which will be revealed
- A **DPRF** is easy to construct:

$$\text{DPRF}(k_1; k_2; m) := \text{PRF1}(k_1; m) \oplus \text{PRF2}(k_2; m)$$

TLS_DHE_PSK Handshake



Client has PSK

$|\text{PSK}| = N$ bytes long

Server has PSK

$|\text{PSK}| = N$ bytes long

Cipher Suite Agreement Phase:

r_C , Supported Cipher Suites



r_S , selected Cipher Suite



Key Exchange Phase:

$g^s \bmod p$



$g^c \bmod p$



Symmetric Encryption Phase:

$\text{Enc}(k; \text{const}_S, \text{fin}_S)$ $\text{fin}_S = \text{PRF}(ms; \text{Label}_3, H(\text{prev. data}))$



$\text{Enc}(k; \text{const}_C, \text{fin}_C)$



“Accept”, session key k with Server

“Accept”, session key k with Client

$$c \leftarrow Z_q$$

$$T = g^{sc} \bmod p$$

$|T| = L_T$ bytes long

$$\text{pms} := L_T || T || N || \text{PSK}$$

$$ms = \text{DPRF}(\text{pms}; \text{Label}_1, r_C, r_S)$$

$$k = \text{PRF}(ms; \text{Label}_2, r_C, r_S)$$

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$$\text{fin}_C = \text{PRF}(ms; \text{Label}_4, H(\text{prev. data}))$$

Double Pseudo-Random Functions (DPRF)

- In order to prove perfect forward secrecy in **TLS_DHE_PSK**, we assume that
 - TLS-PRF constitutes a secure DPRF
 - The key space of the DPRF:
 - K_{DPRF1} : the key space of the pre-shared key **PSK**
 - K_{DPRF2} : the key space of the freshly generated **Diffie-Hellman** secret **T**

Example: Implementation in TLS1.1:

$$\text{PRF}(\text{PSK}, \text{T}; m) = \text{HMAC_MD5}'(\text{T}; m) \oplus \text{HMAC_SHA}'(\text{PSK}; m)$$

TLS-DHE-PSK is a Secure ACCE Protocol

Theorem:

TLS-DHE-PSK is a secure ACCE protocol **with perfect forward secrecy**, if

- DPRF_{TLS} is a **double secure pseudo-random function**,
- PRF_{TLS} is a **secure pseudo-random function (PRF)**,
- hash function H is **secure collision-resistant hash function**,
- the **DDH assumption** holds in the Diffie-Hellman group,
- the symmetric encryption is **sLHAE-secure**.

$$\epsilon_{\text{tls}} \leq (dl)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2^{\lambda-1}} + 3 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{DPRF}} + 3 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{PRF}} + 2 \cdot \epsilon_H + \frac{1}{2^{\mu-1}} + \epsilon_{\text{DDH}} + 6 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{StE}} \right)$$

TLS_RSA_PSK Handshake



Client has PSK

$|\text{PSK}| = N$ bytes long

Server has PSK and
RSA key pair: (pk_s, sk_s)

$|\text{PSK}| = N$ bytes long

**Cipher Suite Agreement
Phase:**

r_C , Supported Cipher Suites

r_S , selected Cipher Suite

**Key Exchange
Phase:**

Ciphertext: C

**Symmetric Encryption
Phase:**

random value R

$C = \text{Enc}(pk_s, R)$

$|R| = 46$ bytes long

V = 2-byte version number

$pms := 48 || V || R || N || PSK$

$ms = \text{DPRF}(pms; \text{Label}_1, r_C, r_S)$

$k = \text{PRF}(ms; \text{Label}_2, r_C, r_S)$

random value R

$R = \text{Dec}(sk_s, R)$

$|R| = 46$ bytes long

V = 2-byte version number

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TLS-RSA-PSK is a Secure ACCE Protocol

Theorem:

TLS-RSA-PSK is a secure ACCE protocol **with asymmetric perfect forward secrecy**, if

- the PRF_{TLS} is a **secure pseudo-random function (PRF)** when keyed with the **master** secret
- the PRF_{TLS} is a **secure double pseudo-random function (DPRF)** when keyed with the **pre-master** secret
- hash function H is **secure collision-resistant hash function**,
- the PKE scheme is **IND-CCA secure**
- the record layer cipher is **secure (sLHAE)**

$$\epsilon_{\text{tls}} \leq (dl)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2^{\lambda-1}} + \epsilon_{\text{PKE}} + 3 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{DPRF}} + 3 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{PRF}} + 2 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{H}} + \frac{1}{2^{\mu-1}} + 6 \cdot \epsilon_{\text{StE}} \right)$$

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- An extension of the **ACCE** model [JKSS'2012] for authentication via (**symmetric**) pre-shared keys
 - without **forward secrecy**,
 - with **asymmetric perfect secrecy** and
 - with **perfect forward secrecy**.
- Provide a security analysis of **all three TLS-PSK ciphersuites** in standard model.

Summary

