Access Control and Privacy Policies (8)

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- indicates one "protocol run", or session, which specifies some order in the communication
- there can be several sessions in parallel (think of wifi routers)

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Sounds stupid: "...answering a question with a counter question"

was originally developed at CMU for terminals to connect to workstations (e.g. file servers)

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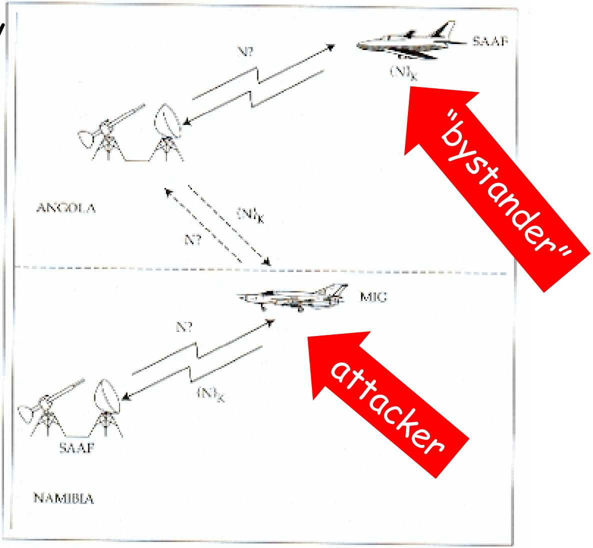

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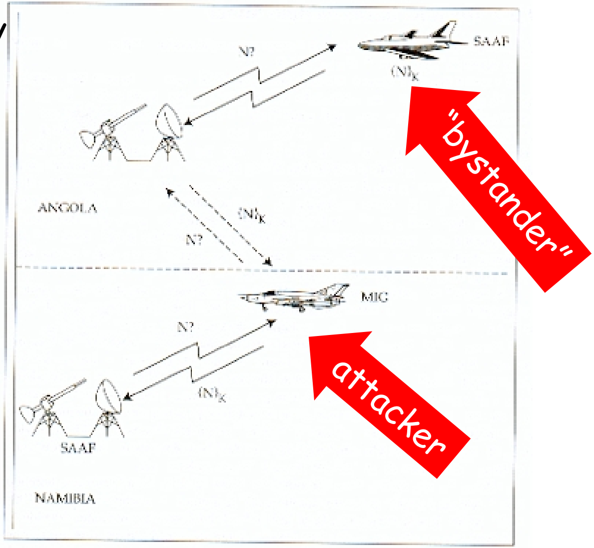

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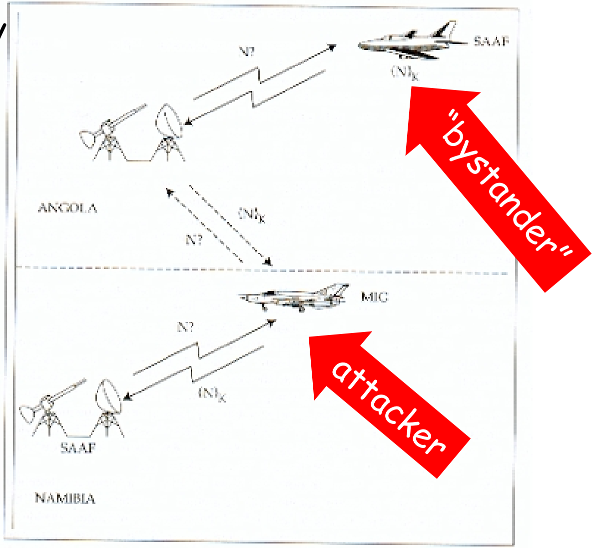

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means you need to send a separate “Hello” signal (bad), or worse share a single key between many entities

Protocol Attacks

- replay attacks
- reflection attacks
- man-in-the-middle attacks
- timing attacks
- parallel session attacks
- binding attacks (public key protocols)
- changing environment / changing assumptions

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at the end both A and B should be in the possession of the secret key K_{AB} and know that the other principal has the key

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B believes it is following the correct protocol, intruder I can form the correct response because it knows K_{AB} and talk to B masquerading as A

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Assume nonces are represented as bit-sequences of the same length

$$\begin{array}{ll} A \rightarrow B : A, \{N_A\}_{K_{AB}} & \\ B \rightarrow A : \{N_A + 1, N_B\}_{K_{AB}} & \\ A \rightarrow I(B) : \{N_B + 1\}_{K_{AB}} & \text{intercepts} \\ I(B) \rightarrow A : \{N_A + 1, N_B\}_{K_{AB}} & \text{resend 2nd msg} \end{array}$$

Binding Attacks

with public-private keys it is important that the public key is bound to the right owner (verified by a certification authority CA)

$$A \rightarrow CA : A, B, N_A$$
$$CA \rightarrow A : CA, \{CA, A, N_A, K_B^{pub}\}_{K_A^{pub}}$$

A knows K_A^{prig} and can verify the message came from CA in response to A's message and trusts K_B^{pub} is B's public key

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A now encrypts messages for B with the public key of I (which happily decrypts them with its private key)

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- when it got expensive, some people bought cheaper monthly tickets for a suburban station and a nearby one, and one for the destination and a nearby one
- a large investment later all barriers were automatic and tickets can record state

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- But suddenly the environment changed: rail transport got privatised creating many companies cheating each other
- revenue from monthly tickets was distributed according to a formula where the ticket was bought

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- apart from bad outsiders (passengers) you also had bad insiders (rail companies)
- chaos and litigation ensued

A Man-in-the-middle attack in real life:

- the card only says yes or no to the terminal if the PIN is correct
- trick the card in thinking transaction is verified by signature
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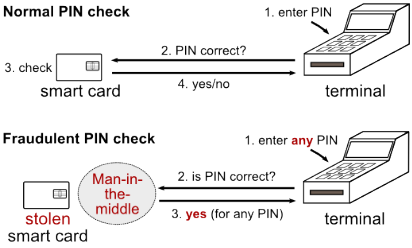

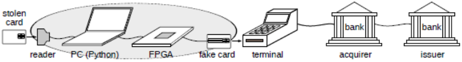

Problems with EMV

- it is a wrapper for many protocols
- specification by consensus (resulted unmanageable complexity)
- its specification is 700 pages in English plus 2000+ pages for testing, additionally some further parts are secret
- other attacks have been found
- one solution might be to require always online verification of the PIN with the bank

Good Practices

- explicit principles (you authenticate all data you might rely on)
- the one who can fix a system should also be liable for the losses

Privacy et al

Some terminology:

- secrecy is the mechanism used to limit the number of principals with access to information (eg, cryptography or access controls)
- confidentiality is the obligation to protect the secrets of other people or organizations (secrecy for the benefit of an organisation)
- anonymity is the ability to leave no evidence of an activity (eg, sharing a secret)
- privacy is the ability or right to protect your personal secrets (secrecy for the benefit of an individual)