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Ch.18 Network Security

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Security Requirements

- ☐ Confidentiality
- ☐ Integrity
- ☐ Availability

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Passive Attacks

- ☐ Eavesdropping on transmissions
- ☐ To obtain information
- ☐ Release of message contents
 - Outsider learns content of transmission
- ☐ Traffic analysis
 - By monitoring frequency and length of messages, even encrypted, nature of communication may be guessed
- ☐ Difficult to detect
- ☐ Can be prevented

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Active Attacks

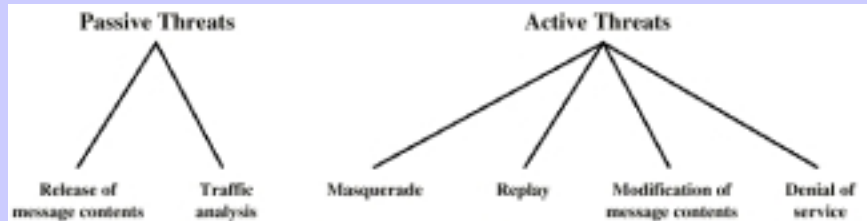
- ☐ Masquerade
 - Pretending to be a different entity
- ☐ Replay
- ☐ Modification of messages
- ☐ Denial of service
- ☐ Easy to detect
 - Detection may lead to deterrent
- ☐ Hard to prevent

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Security Threats

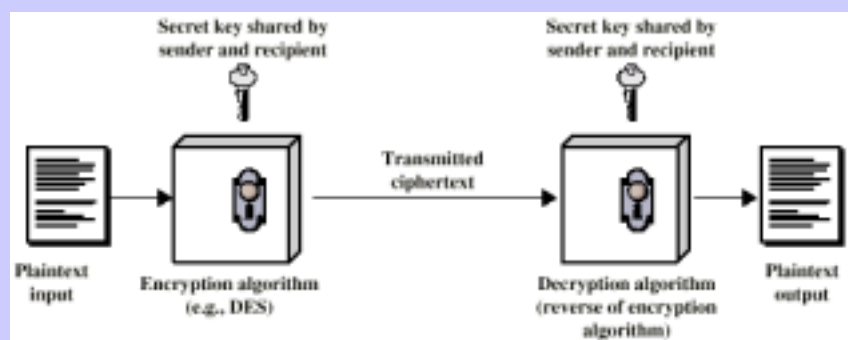


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Conventional Encryption



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Ingredients

- ☐ Plain text
- ☐ Encryption algorithm
- ☐ Secret key
- ☐ Cipher text
- ☐ Decryption algorithm

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Requirements for Security

- ☐ Strong encryption algorithm
 - Even if known, should not be able to decrypt or work out key
 - Even if a number of cipher texts are available together with plain texts of them
- ☐ Sender and receiver must obtain secret key securely
- ☐ Once key is known, all communication using this key is readable

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Attacking Encryption

❑ Crypt analysis

- Relay on nature of algorithm plus some knowledge of general characteristics of plain text
- Attempt to deduce plain text or key

❑ Brute force

- Try every possible key until plain text is achieved



Algorithms

❑ Block cipher

- Process plain text in fixed block sizes producing block of cipher text of equal size
- Data encryption standard (DES)
- Triple DES (TDES)



Data Encryption Standard

- ❑ US standard
- ❑ 64 bit plain text blocks
- ❑ 56 bit key

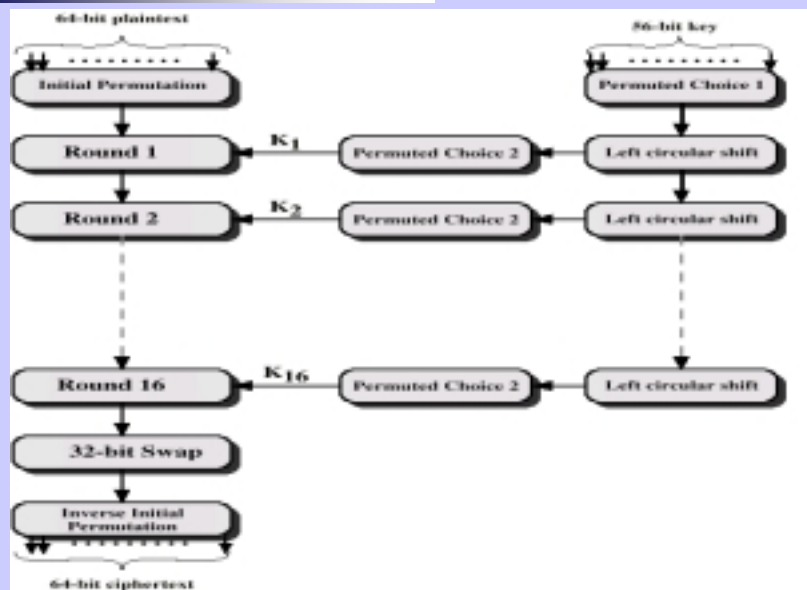
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DES Encryption Algorithm

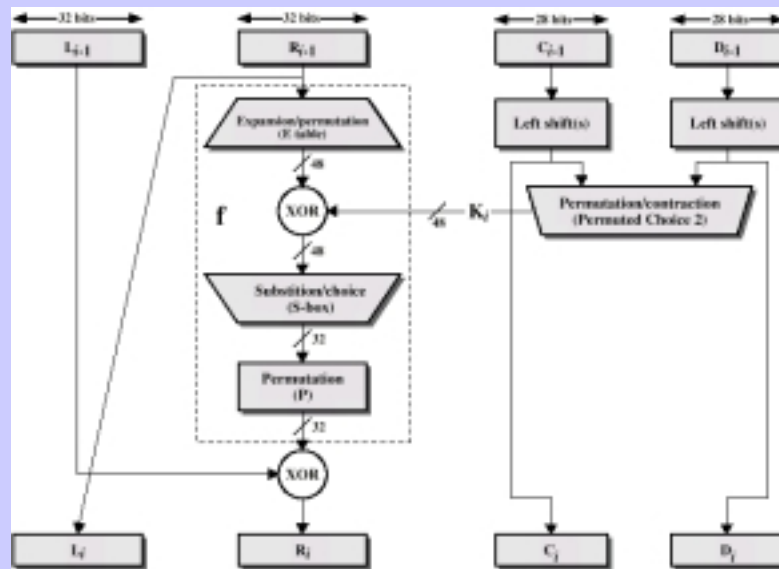


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DES Single Iteration



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Strength of DES

- ❑ Declared insecure in 1998
- ❑ Electronic Frontier Foundation
- ❑ DES Cracker machine
- ❑ DES now worthless
- ❑ Alternatives include TDEA

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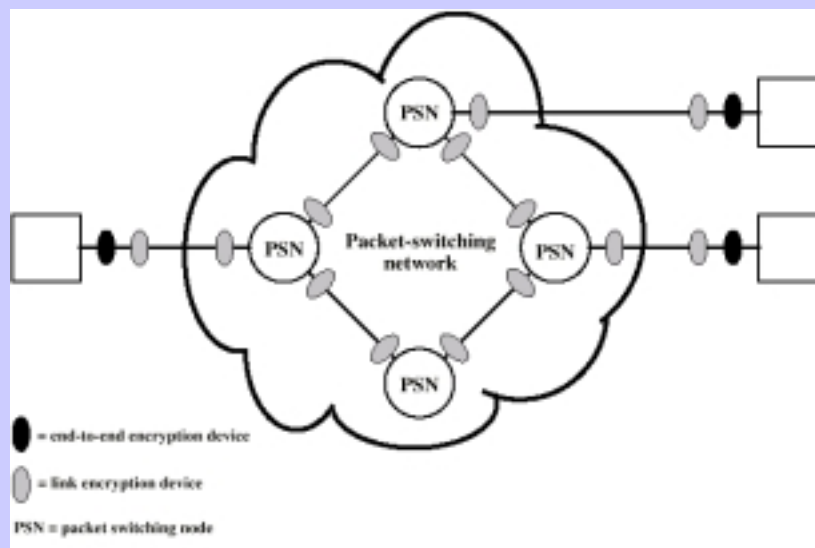
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Triple DEA

- ❑ ANSI X9.17 (1985)
- ❑ Incorporated in DEA standard 1999
- ❑ Uses 3 keys and 3 executions of DEA algorithm
- ❑ Effective key length 168 bit

Location of Encryption Devices





Link Encryption

- ❑ Each communication link equipped at both ends
- ❑ All traffic secure
- ❑ High level of security
- ❑ Requires lots of encryption devices
- ❑ Message must be decrypted at each switch to read address (virtual circuit number)
- ❑ Security vulnerable at switches
 - Particularly on public switched network

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End to End Encryption

- ❑ Encryption done at ends of system
- ❑ Data in encrypted form crosses network unaltered
- ❑ Destination shares key with source to decrypt
- ❑ Host can only encrypt user data
 - Otherwise switching nodes could not read header or route packet
- ❑ Traffic pattern not secure

- ❑ Use both link and end to end

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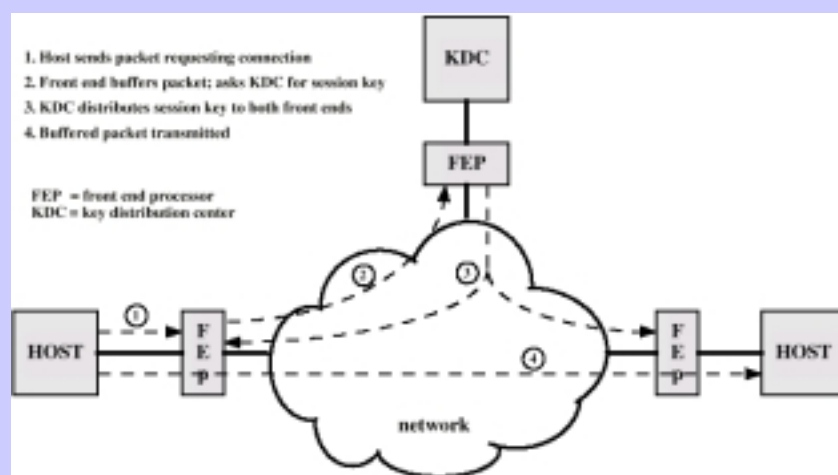
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Key Distribution

- ❑ Key selected by A and delivered to B
- ❑ Third party selects key and delivers to A and B
- ❑ Use old key to encrypt and transmit new key from A to B
- ❑ Use old key to transmit new key from third party to A and B

Automatic Key Distribution (diag)





Automatic Key Distribution

- ❑ Session Key
 - Used for duration of one logical connection
 - Destroyed at end of session
 - Used for user data
- ❑ Permanent key
 - Used for distribution of keys
- ❑ Key distribution center
 - Determines which systems may communicate
 - Provides one session key for that connection
- ❑ Front end processor
 - Performs end to end encryption
 - Obtains keys for host

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Traffic Padding

- ❑ Produce cipher text continuously
- ❑ If no plain text to encode, send random data
- ❑ Make traffic analysis impossible

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Message Authentication

- ❑ Protection against active attacks
 - Falsification of data
 - Eavesdropping
- ❑ Message is authentic if it is genuine and comes from the alleged source
- ❑ Authentication allows receiver to verify that message is authentic
 - Message has not altered
 - Message is from authentic source
 - Message timeline

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Authentication Using Encryption

- ❑ Assumes sender and receiver are only entities that know key
- ❑ Message includes:
 - error detection code
 - sequence number
 - time stamp

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Authentication Without Encryption

- ❑ Authentication tag generated and appended to each message
- ❑ Message not encrypted
- ❑ Useful for:
 - Messages broadcast to multiple destinations
 - ✓ Have one destination responsible for authentication
 - One side heavily loaded
 - ✓ Encryption adds to workload
 - ✓ Can authenticate random messages
 - Programs authenticated without encryption can be executed without decoding

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Message Authentication Code

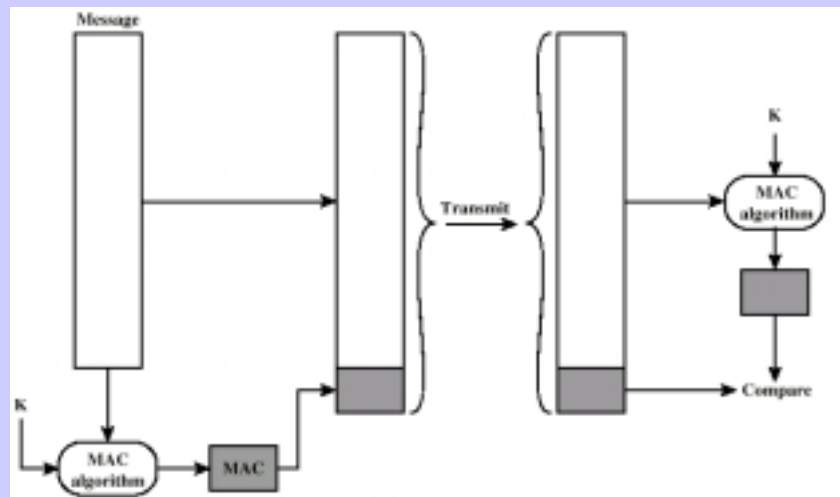
- ❑ Generate authentication code based on shared key and message
- ❑ Common key shared between A and B
- ❑ If only sender and receiver know key and code matches:
 - Receiver assured message has not altered
 - Receiver assured message is from alleged sender
 - If message has sequence number, receiver assured of proper sequence

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Message Authentication Using Message Authentication Code



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One Way Hash Function

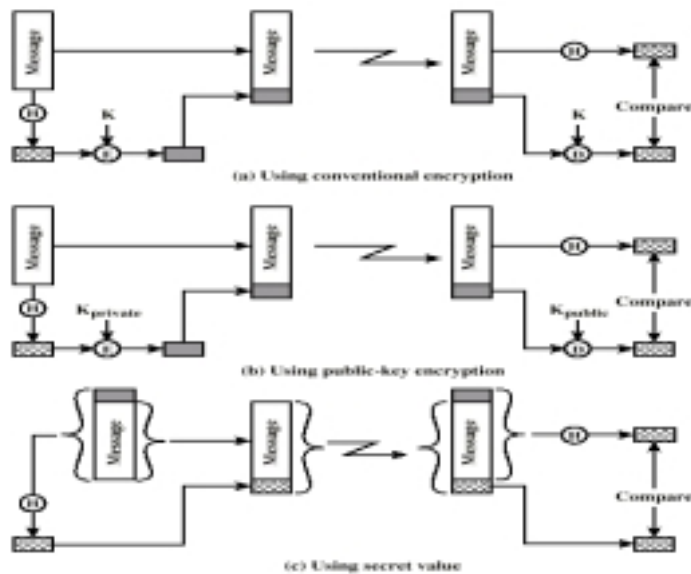
- ❑ Accepts variable size message and produces fixed size tag (message digest)
- ❑ Advantages of authentication without encryption
 - Encryption is slow
 - Encryption hardware expensive
 - Encryption hardware optimized to large data
 - Algorithms covered by patents
 - Algorithms subject to export controls (from USA)

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Using One Way Hash



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Secure Hash Functions

- ❑ Hash function must have following properties:
 - Can be applied to any size data block
 - Produce fixed length output
 - Easy to compute
 - Not feasible to reverse
 - Not feasible to find two message that give the same hash

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SHA -1

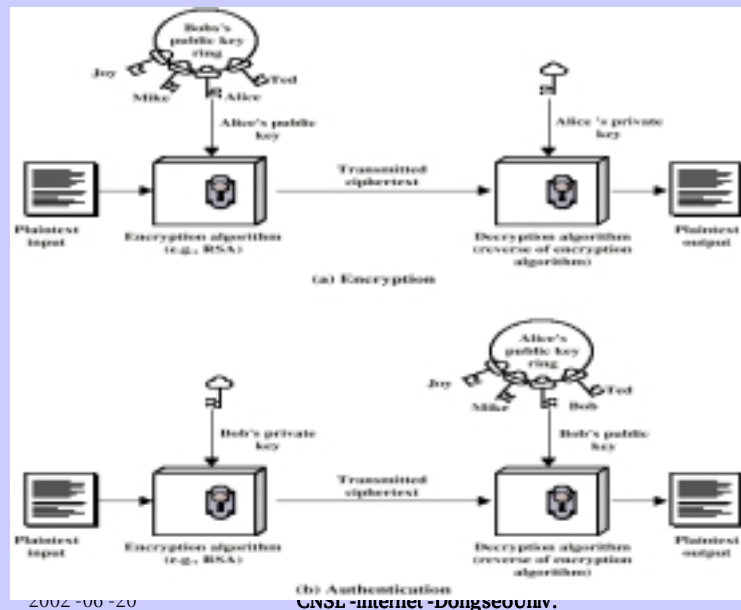
- ❑ Secure Hash Algorithm 1
- ❑ Input message less than 2^{64} bits
 - Processed in 512 bit blocks
- ❑ Output 160 bit digest



Public Key Encryption

- Decryption algorithm
- ❑ Based on mathematical algorithms
- ❑ Asymmetric
 - Use two separate keys
- ❑ Ingredients
 - Plain text
 - Encryption algorithm
 - Public and private key
 - Cipher text

Public Key Encryption (diag)



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Public Key Encryption - Operation

- ❑ One key made public
 - Used for encryption
- ❑ Other kept private
 - Used for decryption
- ❑ Infeasible to determine decryption key given encryption key and algorithm
- ❑ Either key can be used for encryption, the other for decryption

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Steps

- ❑ User generates pair of keys
- ❑ User places one key in public domain
- ❑ To send a message to user, encrypt using public key
- ❑ User decrypts using private key



Digital Signature

- ❑ Sender encrypts message with their private key
- ❑ Receiver can decrypt using senders public key
- ❑ This authenticates sender, who is only person who has the matching key
- ❑ Does not give privacy of data
 - Decrypt key is public

RSA Algorithm

Key Generation	
Select p, q	p and q both prime
Calculate $n = p \times q$	
Calculate $\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$	
Select integer e	$\gcd(\phi(n), e) = 1; 1 < e < \phi(n)$
Calculate d	$d = e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(n)}$
Public key	$KU = \{e, n\}$
Private key	$KR = \{d, n\}$

Encryption	
Plaintext:	$M < n$
Ciphertext:	$C = M^e \pmod{n}$

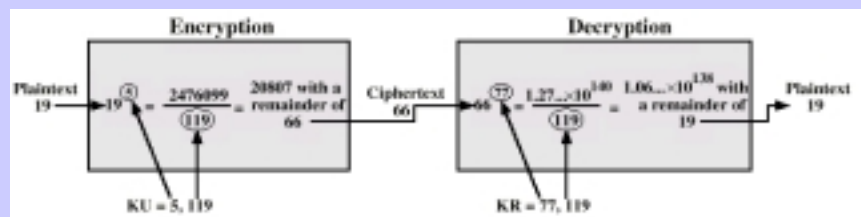
Decryption	
Ciphertext:	C
Plaintext:	$M = C^d \pmod{n}$

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RSA Example



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IPv4 and IPv6 Security

- ☐ IPSec
- ☐ Secure branch office connectivity over Internet
- ☐ Secure remote access over Internet
- ☐ Extranet and intranet connectivity
- ☐ Enhanced electronic commerce security

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IPSec Scope

- ☐ Authentication header
- ☐ Encapsulated security payload
- ☐ Key exchange
- ☐ RFC 2401,2402,2406,2408

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Security Association

- ❑ One way relationship between sender and receiver
- ❑ For two way, two associations are required
- ❑ Three SA identification parameters
 - Security parameter index
 - IP destination address
 - Security protocol identifier



SA Parameters

- ❑ Sequence number counter
- ❑ Sequence counter overflow
- ❑ Anti -reply windows
- ❑ AH information
- ❑ ESP information
- ❑ Lifetime of this association
- ❑ IPSec protocol mode
 - Tunnel, transport or wildcard
- ❑ Path MTU



Transport and Tunnel Modes

❑ Transport mode

- Protection for upper layer protocols
- Extends to payload of IP packet
- End to end between hosts

❑ Tunnel mode

- Protection for IP packet
- Entire packet treated as payload for outer IP "packet"
- No routers examine inner packet
- May have different source and destination address
- May be implemented at firewall

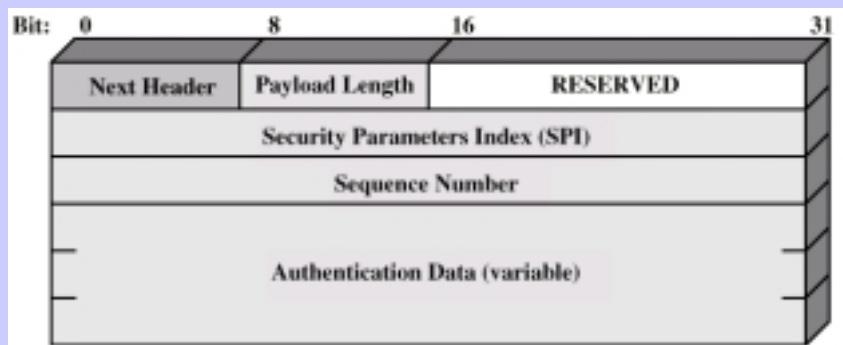
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Authentication Header



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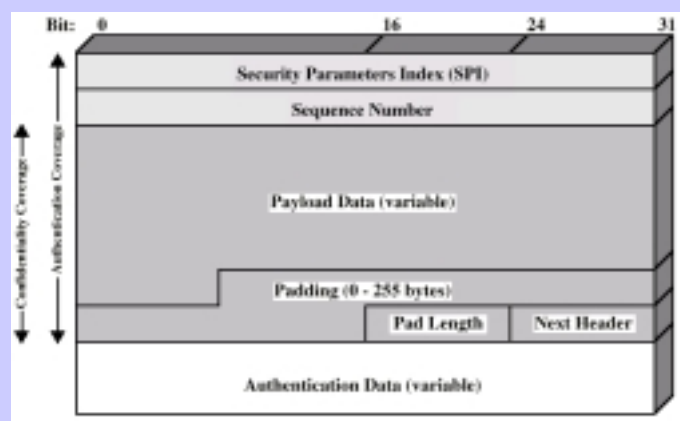


Encapsulating Security Payload

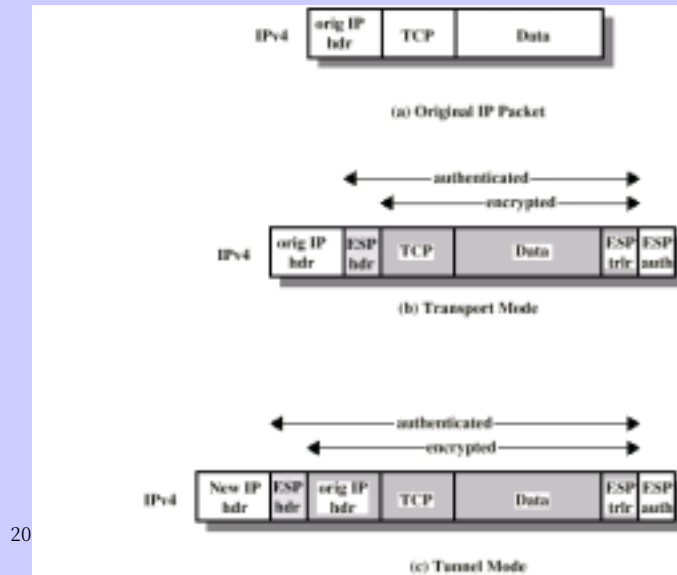
- ❑ ESP
- ❑ Confidentiality services



ESP Packet



Scope of ESP



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Key Management

- ☐ Manual
- ☐ Automatic
 - ISAKMP/Oakley
 - ✓ Oakley key determination protocol
 - ✓ Internet security association and key management protocol