

Multimodal Authentication

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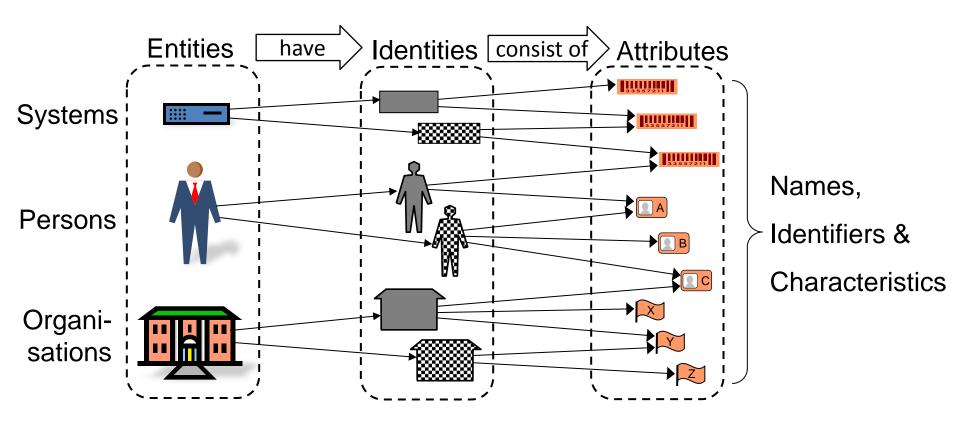
Identity

- Etymology of "identity":
 - "The same one as last time".
- "First-time" authentication not meaningful
- Authentication requires registered identity
- Registration based on
 - Pre-authentication of existing identity
 - Creation of new identity
- Names are difficult to interpret:
 - The name "apple" could be: "apple123@hotmail.com",
 "www.apple.com", "www.applecorp.com", "apple records"





The Concept of Identity

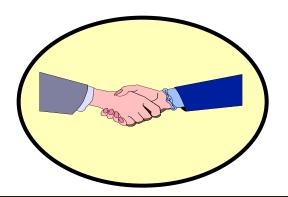






Explaining trust services

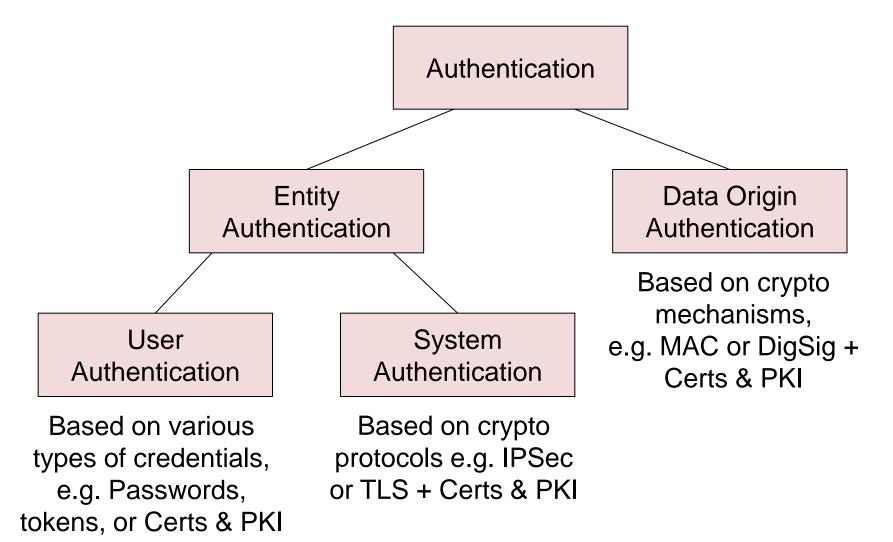
- Claims of identity must be verified
- Identity claims certified by 3rd party CA
- Verification of identity through certificates
- Trusting CA = Assuming honest & reliable CA
- Trust service = Issue & validate certificates







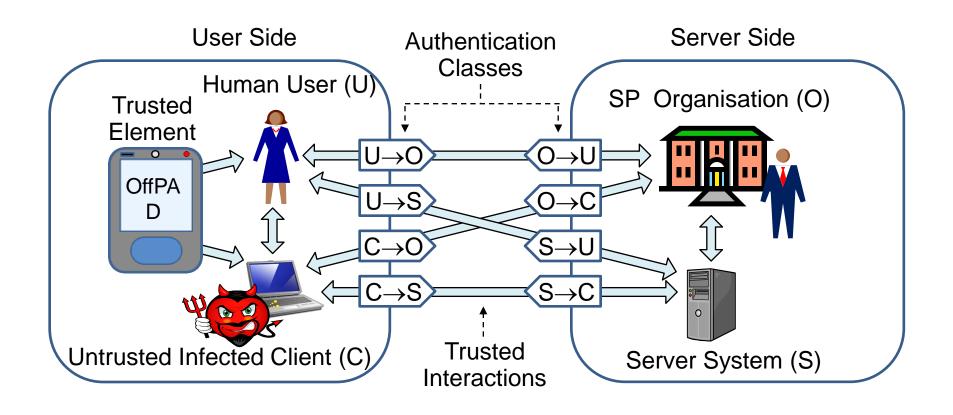
Taxonomy of Authentication







Trusted Interactions & Untrusted Clients



• OffPAD Eurostarts Project: Solutions for trusted interaction in the presence of untrusted clients.



Strategies for Internet security

Smoke-and-Mirror strategy

- technology that doesn't solve the *real* problems
- jargon and confusion



Real-Security strategy

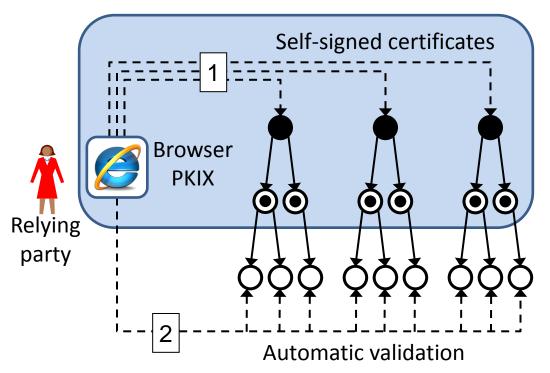
- adequate security solutions
- clear and honest information







Browser PKIX



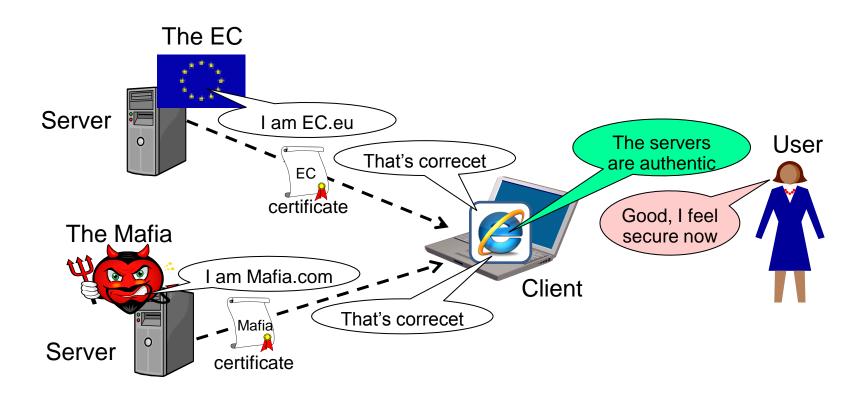
Root CA self-signed certificates

Intermediate CA certificates

Server and software certificates



Meaningless PKIX System Authentication

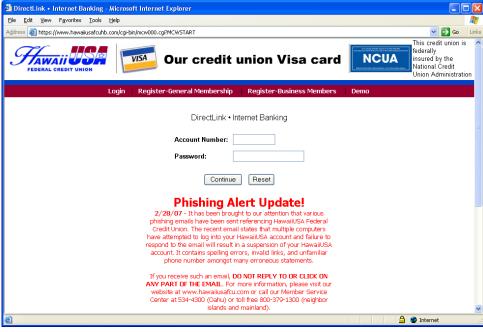






A phishing example Hawaii Federal Credit Union





Genuine bank login

https://hcd.usersonInet.com/asp/USERS/Common/Login/NettLogin.asp

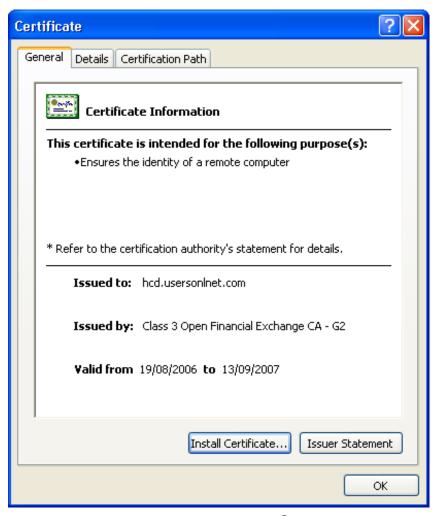
Fake bank login

https://hawaiiusafcuhb.com/cgibin/mcw00.cgi?MCWSTART





Certificate comparison 1



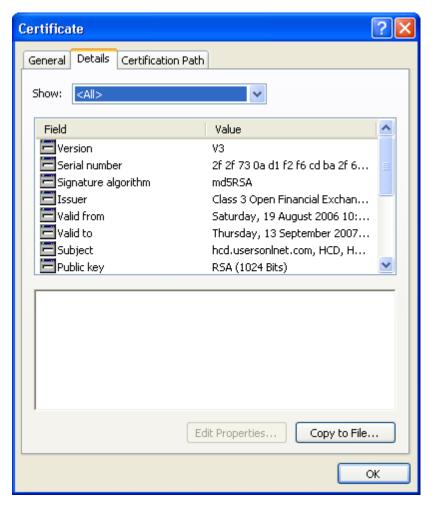
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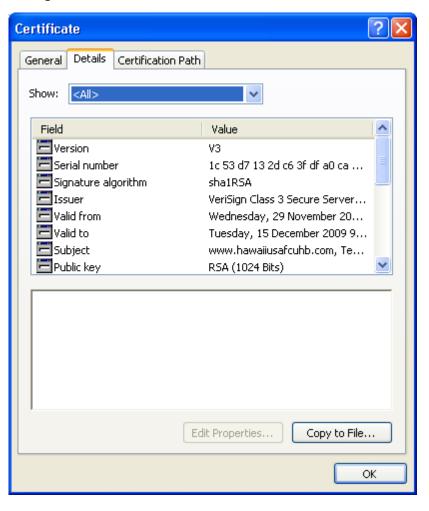
Genuine certificate

Fake certificate



Certificate comparison 2





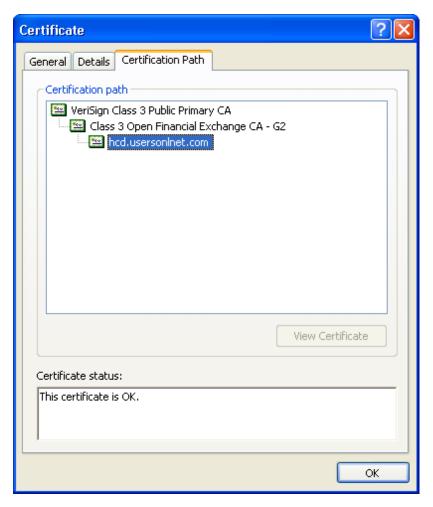
Genuine certificate

Fake certificate





Certificate comparison 3



Certificate Certification Path General Details Certification path War VeriSign Class 3 Public Primary CA - 🔛 VeriSign Class 3 Secure Server CA 🕮 www.hawaiiusafcuhb.com View Certificate Certificate status: This certificate is OK. OK.

Genuine certificate

Fake certificate





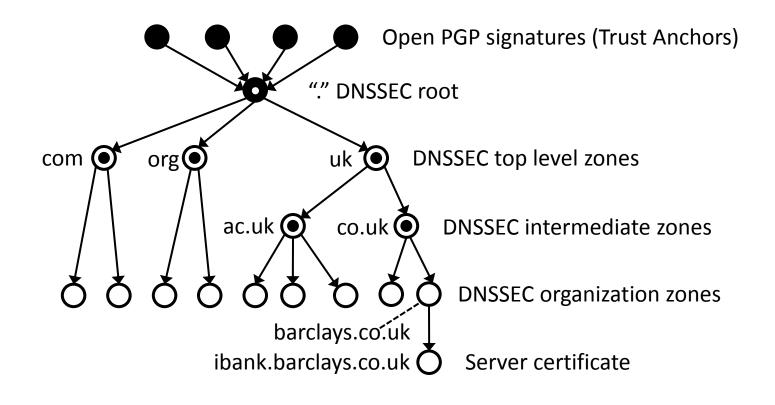
Self-signed root keys: Why?

- Most people think a root public key is authentic just because it is self-signed
- Self-signing is deceptive propaganda



Self-signing has absolutely no purpose for trust

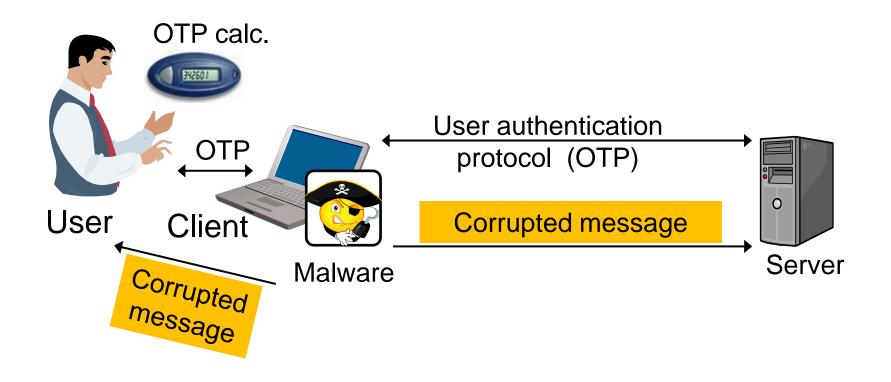
Server certificates with DNSSEC







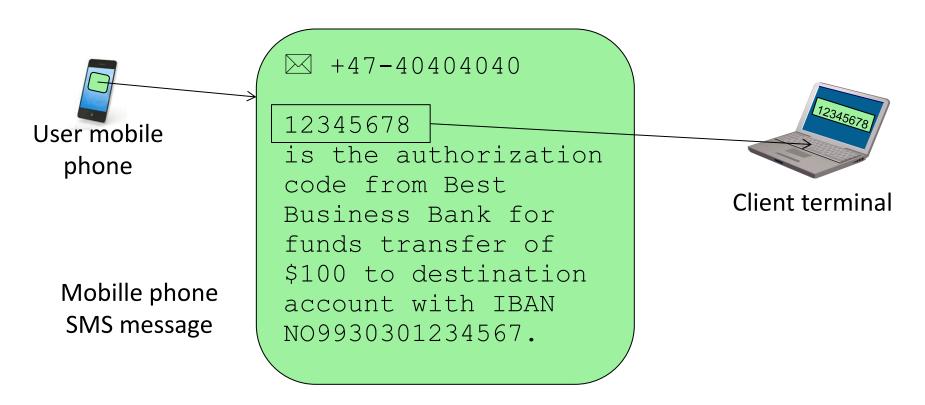
Entity authentication is insufficient (also need for data authentication)







SMS-based message authentication



> 30% of users will not notice attack on transactions,



Authentication Framework	User Authentication Assurance Levels				
EAG	Little or no assurance		Some	High	Very High
(USA) 2006	(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)
IDABC		Minimal	Low	Substantial	High
(EU) 2007	×	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
FANR	Little or no assurance		Low	Moderate	High
(Norway) 2008	(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)
NeAF	None	Minimal	Low	Moderate	High
(Australia) 2009	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
ePramaan	None	Minimal	Moderate	Strong	Very Strong
(India) 2012	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

- Assurance levels also needed for
 - Server system authentication
 - Data authentication

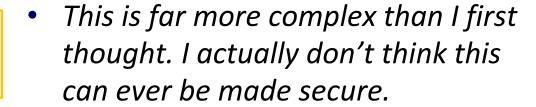




Conclusion:

3 Stages of Security Learning

3. Reflected and realist



2. Enlightened and enthusiastic

 I understand it now, it's great, and I know how to operate it



Unaware and uninterested

 I don't understand it, and I don't want to know about it. Why can't security simply be transparent?