

## Assignment 4: Decrypting TLS and HTTP(S) using Wireshark++

### Individual Assignment

#### **PART-A: Decrypt TLS handshake and HTTPS messages between your browser and the web server of Bank X**

- Set SSLKEYLOGFILE environment variable in your host OS by following the instructions given in References 1-3 and then launch Chrome browser with a blank tab (for surfing the website of bank x) and wireshark (for capturing all the messages exchanged between your browser and bank website/DNS resolvers/CAs).
- Start packet capture in wireshark
- Type in the hostname of the bank X in the address bar of the browser. Let N be your (RollNo % 4 +1). If N==1, X=ICICI. If N==2, X=HDFC. If N==3, X=SBI. If N==4, X=Bank of America
  - a. Click on the link that takes you to the online net banking page of the bank.
  - b. Enter some arbitrary values against Username and Password so that the login process fails:-)**
  - c. Stop the packet capture in wireshark and save it as <RollNo-BankName.pcapng>. And also close your browser tab.
  - d. Follow the steps in References 1-3 to specify the complete path of SSLkeyLog file in your computer for wireshark to decrypt TLS and HTTPS messages present in <RollNo-BankName.pcapng>.
    - i. Note that <RollNo-BankName.pcapng> should only contain the messages exchanged between your browser and bank website/DNS resolvers/CAs including sub-domains/redirections and 3rd party tracking/resource fetching sessions triggered by your visit to the bank's site. So, close all background Apps running on your computer to avoid capturing their messages in your wireshark capture or use appropriate display/capture filters to exclude other messages in your packet trace. **This is your Deliverable-1.**
    - ii. Before providing session keys which are present inside SSLkeyLog file to wireshark, you should find that all of the application traffic and most of the handshake (HTTPS) is encrypted and shown as TLS traffic with encrypted application data. Get a snapshot of it. **This is your Deliverable-2.**
    - iii. After providing session keys in SSLkeyLog file to wireshark, you should find that all of the application traffic along with handshake traffic is decrypted and shown as HTTP traffic along with TLS handshake messages in plain-text. Get a snapshot of it. **This is Deliverable-3.**

**Answer the following queries by referring to the (decrypted) messages in your browsing session with the banking site using wireshark GUI. It is important to keep in mind that an Ethernet frame may contain either a partial, one or more TLS records. This is very different from HTTP(S), for which each Ethernet frame contains either one complete HTTP message or a portion of a HTTP message.**

**Whenever possible, when answering the questions given below, you should produce a screenshot of the packet(s) within the trace that you used to answer the question asked. Highlight portions of the snapshot to explain your answer. To print a packet in wireshark GUI, use *File->Print Option*, choose *Selected packet only*, choose *Packet summary line*, and select the minimum amount of packet detail that you need to answer the question.**

1. What browser did you use, what's the version number?
2. List out various protocols that you noticed in the column named "Protocol" in the wireshark GUI from the time you keyed in the hostname of the bank in the browser till you start viewing application data. For each such protocol, mention its purpose in brief.
3. Each of the TLS records begins with the same three fields (with possibly different values). One of these fields is "content type" and has a length of one byte. List all three fields and their lengths for the first 10 records in the trace.
4. Cipher Suites in ClientHello Record: Look at the first two and the last cipher suites offered by the client and compare them. What cipher suite the server selected?
5. What is the SNI value in ClientHello Record? What's its purpose? In other words, why is the client advertising it to the server?
6. What is the ALPN value(s) in ClientHello Record? What's its purpose? Which one the server selected?
7. Does the ClientHello contain status\_request, supported\_versions, psk\_key\_exchange\_modes extensions? If so, what do they convey to the server?
8. Does ClientHello Record contain the Signature\_algorithms extension? What's its purpose?
9. Does the client offer any Random number, key share, Supported Groups and PSK in ClientHello Record? How will be these used by the Server?
10. What TLS versions your browser/client is supporting? Which one the server selected?
11. Look at Certificate Record from the server to the client: How many certificates did the server return and how are they related? Who is the issuer of Bank's certificate? What type of public key the bank is using?
12. Comment on the key exchange algorithm agreed upon, what are the parameters that got exchanged between client and server to derive the session keys.
13. Which certificate type (DV/OV/EV) the bank is using?
14. Which certificate type (single or multi-domain or wild-card) the bank is using?
15. How can the client check whether the certificate is revoked or not: OCSP/CRL? Does the server support OCSP stapling?
16. How many log servers logged the certificate of the bank? What role does the log server

- play in the Web PKI ecosystem? Refer: SCT extension.
17. How is the application data being encrypted? Do the records containing application data include a separate MAC? Does Wireshark distinguish between the encrypted application data and the MAC?
  18. Look at various keys logged in the file pointed to by the SSLKEYLOGFILE environment variable in your host OS and describe their usage. Also comment on how they are derived from nonces and other parameters using HKDF. Which entity in your system does this job on-the-fly?
  19. Do you see any support for session resumption in the trace? What do you find inside the session ticket, if it is used? Is it based on Session ID/Session ticket or PSK based Session ticket? What role do the session IDs play in TLS 1.3?
  20. How long does it take for TLS to establish a secure pipe? How much of it could be reduced when session resumption is used?
  21. What is the duration of HTTPS session, how many IP packets are exchanged in the browsing session (starting from the first TCP SYN packet till TCP FIN packet)?
  22. How many TLS connections are established a
  23. How many HTTP request/response packets are exchanged in the browsing session? Identify the packet(s) that carried the response that included the Netbanking LOG-IN page of the bank. Do these response messages carry any security related directives like XSS, sameorigin, HSTS?
  24. Identify the HTTP packet(s) that carried LOG-IN credentials supplied by you. Look at the raw bytes displayed in the wireshark GUI and identify strings that carried your LOG-IN credentials. Are you able to find both user id and password in the raw packet capture?
    - a. It's important that you only keyed in some arbitrary user id and password as part of this assignment for more safety!
  25. Generate an SSL report of the bank using [SSL Server Test \(Powered by Qualys SSL Labs\)](#) and summarize what security features are implemented by the bank's web server for improved online banking by its customers. Does the report flag any issues with the security of the bank?
  26. Comment on and explain anything else that you found interesting in the trace.

**Note 1: Bonus 30 marks if you complete TLS and HTTPS decrypting using openssl and shell/python scripting. Make sure your code is well documented.**

**Note 2: Add screenshots of relevant in your report in order to prove that the capture trace used for analysis is indeed of your own and make the evaluation easy for TAs!!**

**PS: What's Wireshark++? Wireshark + Key log file!**

**Deliverables in GC as a tar ball:**

- A readable PDF Report with name “TLSAsg-<RollNo>.PDF”
- Deliverables 1-3 (refer page-1 of the assignment)
- SSL Key Log File
- Shell scripts written for openssl based decrypting of TLS and HTTPS session (optional, to get bonus marks)

## References:

1. [Article: K50557518 - Decrypt SSL traffic with the SSLKEYLOGFILE environment variable on Firefox or Google Chrome using Wireshark \(f5.com\)](#)
2. [Wireshark Tutorial: Decrypting HTTPS Traffic \(Includes SSL and TLS\) \(paloaltonetworks.com\)](#)
3. [Decrypting TLS Streams With Wireshark: Part 1 | Didier Stevens](#)
4. <http://www.motobit.com/util/base64-decoder-encoder.asp>
5. [Dissecting TLS Using Wireshark \(catchpoint.com\)](#)
6. <https://tls13.ulfheim.net/>
7. <https://www.davidwong.fr/tls13/>
8. [SSL Server Test \(Powered by Qualys SSL Labs\)](#)

## **PLAGIARISM STATEMENT <Include it in your report>**

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Date:

Signature: <keep your initials here>

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