

SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE

10. REMOTE TERMINAL AND ELECTRIC MAIL

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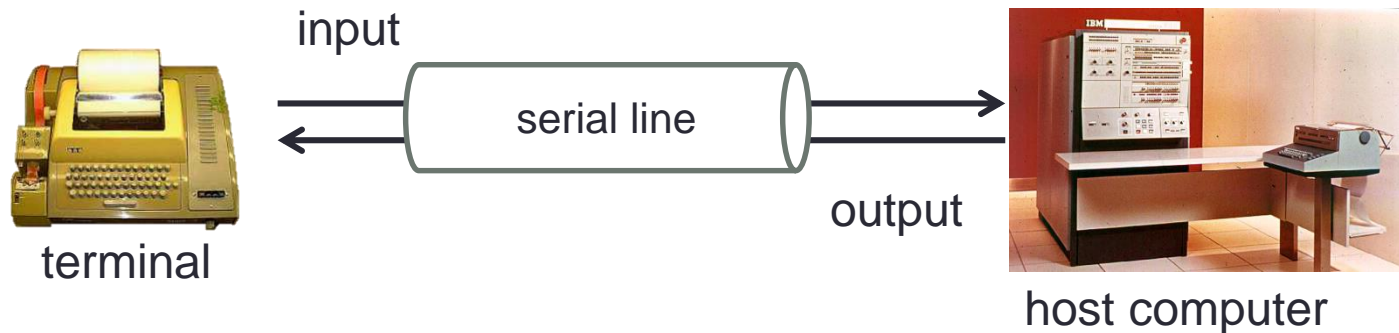
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Terminal to Use Host Computer

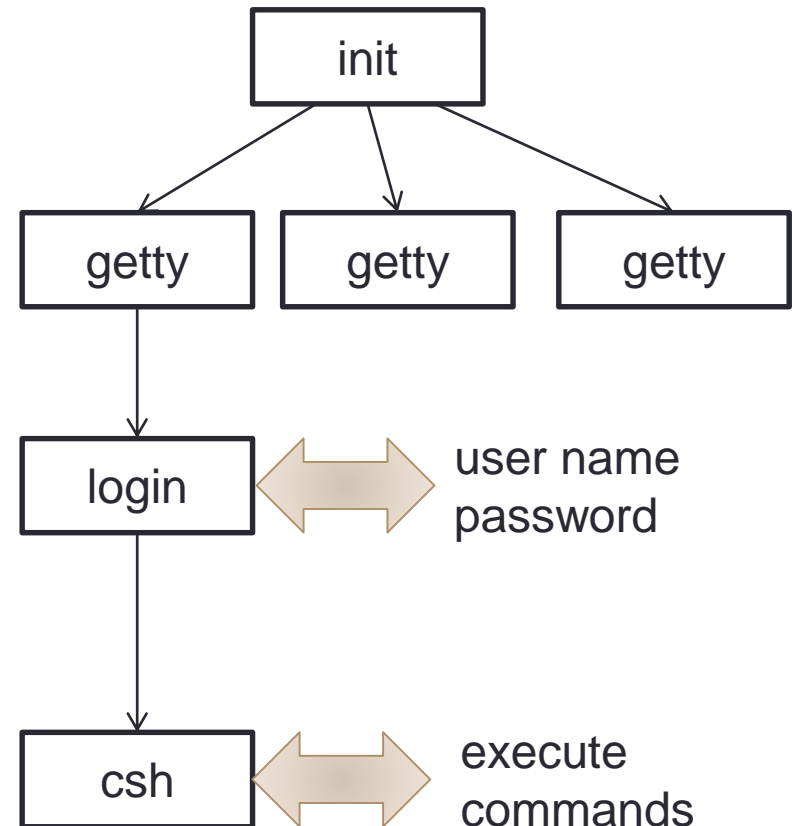
- Before personal computer age
 - Connect a terminal to a host computer with a serial line or a telephone line.
 - A terminal is a kind of type writer but key inputs go to the serial line and characters received from the serial line are printed.
 - Character terminal, graphical terminal, etc.



- Personal computer age
 - PC terminal emulator
 - Connected with a serial line or a telephone line through a modem.
- Internet age
 - Virtual terminal emulator
 - Use Internet to connect to a remote computer.

Terminal Connection in UNIX Host

- First, `getty' program waits for each line for a new connection from a terminal.
 - `getty = get tty`
- Hand to a `login' program does user authentication by asking a user name and a password.
- Invoke a shell
 - The shell will handle all the interaction from then on.



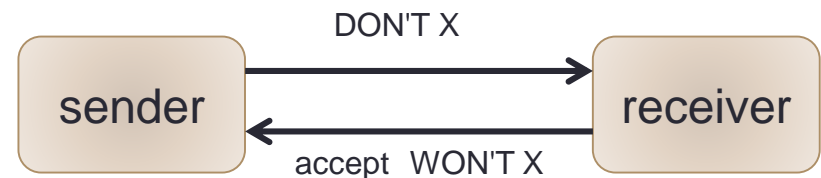
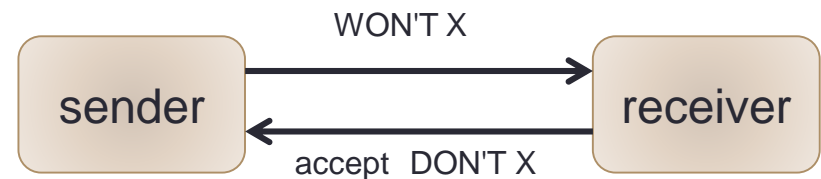
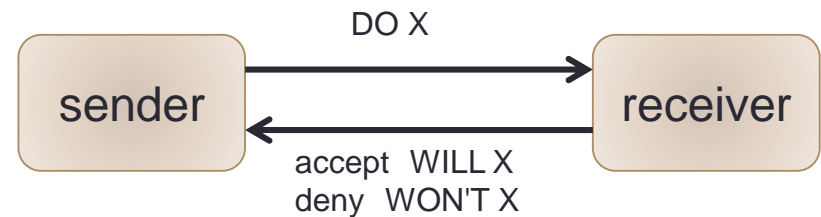
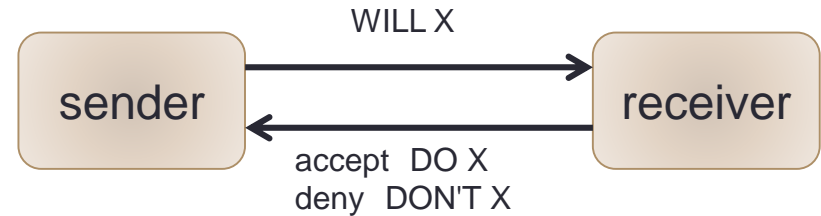
Telnet Protocol

- Implement a virtual terminal for Internet
 - Use internet instead of a serial line.
 - TCP connection (with session and reliability)
 - port 23
- Simple protocol
 - All the characters input from a terminal are sent to the remote computer.
 - All the output form the remote computer are output to the terminal.
 - Replace the serial line, but no authentication of user is handled.
- Options are negotiated between the terminal and the remote computer.
 - DO or DON'T
 - WILL or WON'T

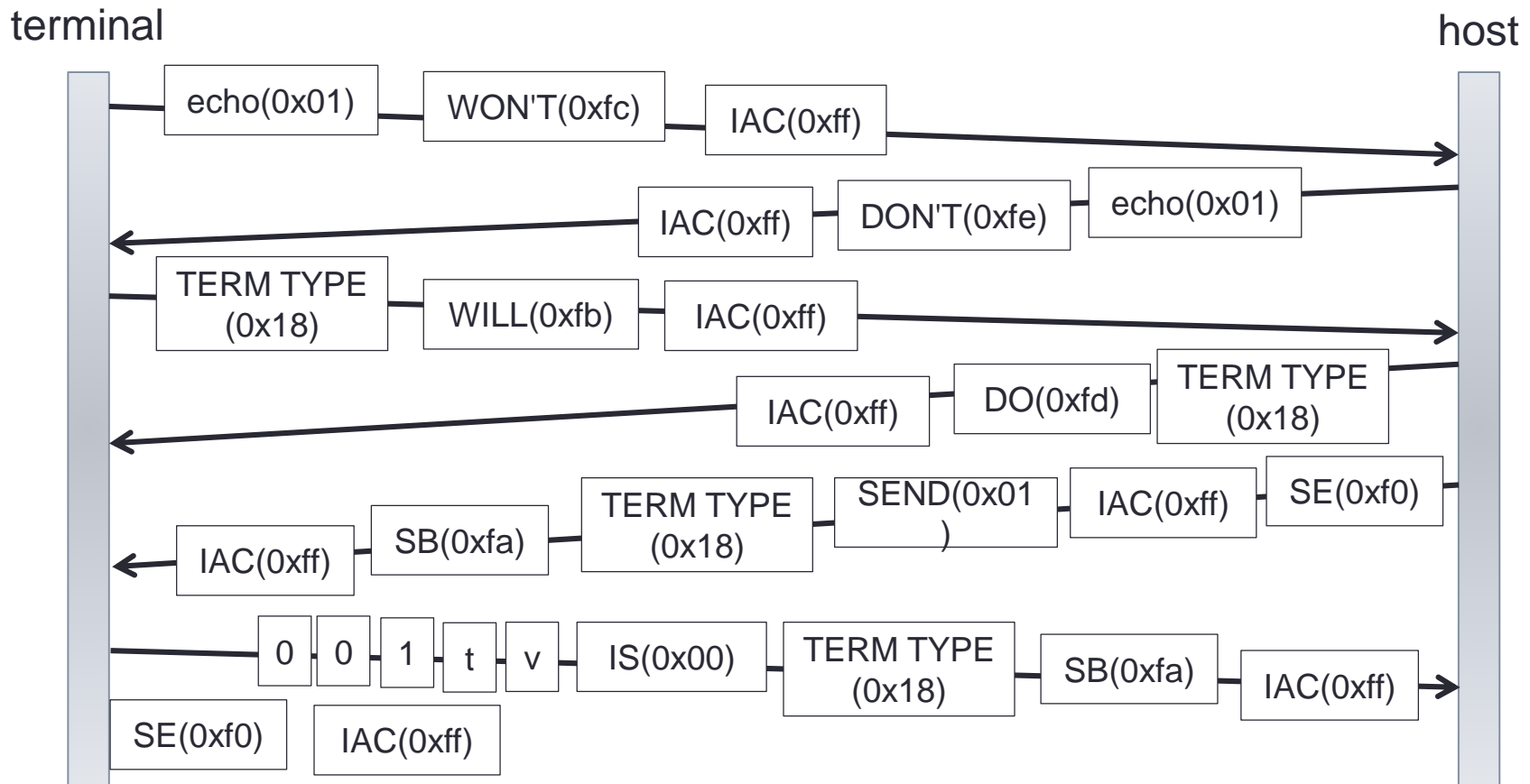


Option Negotiation

- Enable X at the sender side
 - sender: WILL X
 - receiver: DO X or DON'T X
- Enable X at the receiver side
 - sender: DO X
 - receiver: WILL X or WON'T X
- Disable X at the sender side
 - sender: WON'T X
 - receiver: DON'T X
- Disable X at the receiver side
 - sender: DON'T X
 - receiver: WON'T X



Example of Option Negotiation



IAC: Interpret As Command
 SB~SE: Sub negotiation

Telnet Control Command

- Are You There
 - IAC, 0xf6
- Erase a character
 - IAC, 0xf7
- Erase a line
 - IAC, 0xf8
- Terminate process (ctrl-C)
 - IAC, 0xf4
- Stop output
 - IAC, 0xf5
- Synchronize (TCP urgent message)
 - IAC, 0xf2

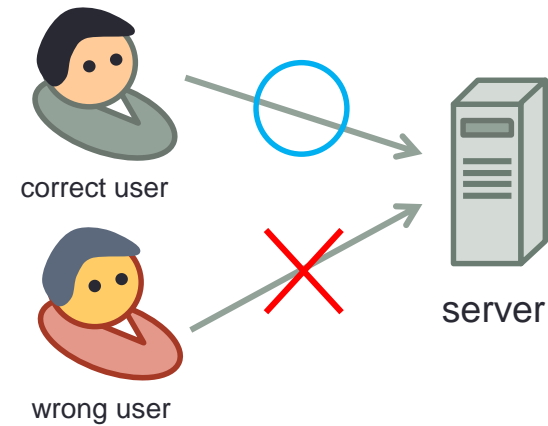
Extension of Telnet

- Problem of Telnet
 - Security problem.
 - User name and password are sent without any encryption.
- Rlogin (remote login)
 - Easy for UNIX systems
 - Introduced in UNIX BSD 4
 - Trust computers listed in ~/.rhosts without password
 - Not much used for security reason
- SSH (Secure Shell)
 - protocol 1, 2
 - authentication: password, challenge-response, RSA, DSA
- Remote desktop
 - Windows version of remote terminal

User Authentication, Encryption and Hash

• User authentication

- Check whether the user is a correct (authorized) user or not.
- password authentication
- one time password
- challenge response authentication
- RSA (Rivest Shamir Adleman) authentication
- DSA (Digital Signature Algorithm) authentication



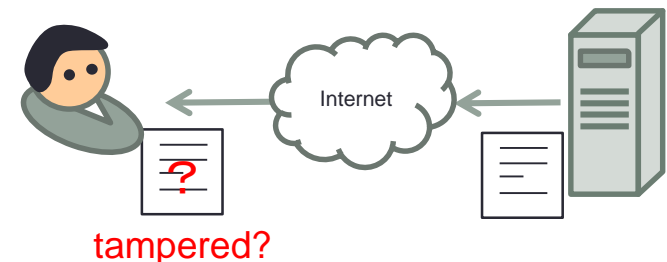
• Encryption

- Encrypt data so that others cannot understand
- common key cryptography
 - the key should be secret from others
- public key cryptography
 - use public key and private key pair



• Hash

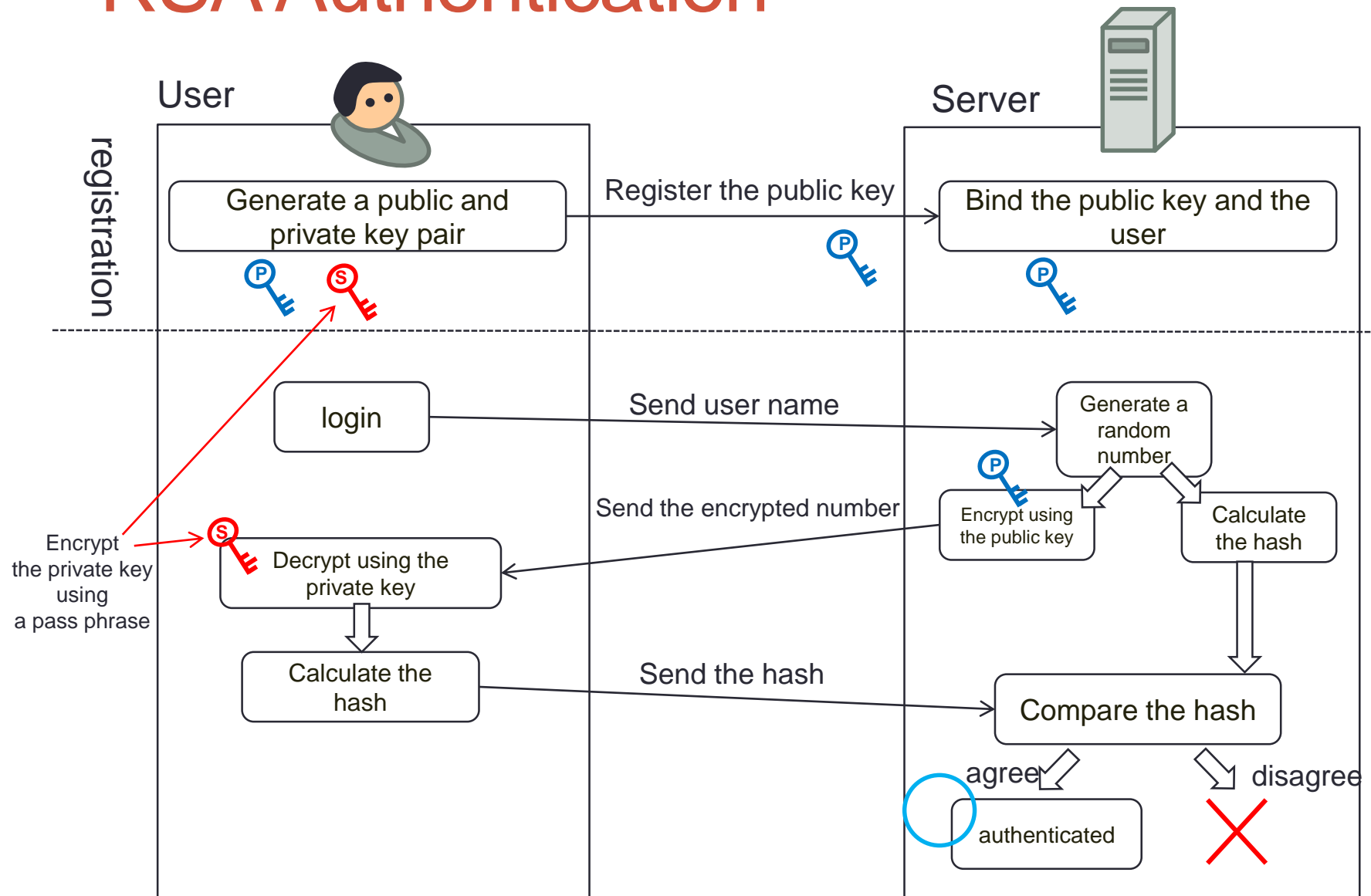
- Make sure data is not tampered.
- checksum
- cryptographic hash function (MD5, SHA-1, SHA-2)



User Authentication

- Password authentication
 - Send the registered password to the server.
- One time password
 - Send a password generated by a password generator and send it to the server.
 - Example: a number calculated from the current time.
- Challenge Response authentication
 - Receive a random number (= challenge) from the server.
 - Calculate a number from the challenge and the user's password.
 - Send the calculated number (= response) to the server.
 - The server does the same calculation to check the response.
- RSA authentication
 - Use RSA (Rivest Shamir Adleman) public key cryptography
 - Generate a public key and private key pair.
 - Register the public key to the server.
 - Decrypt the random number sent from the server using the private key.
 - Calculate the hash and send it to the server.
 - The server checks whether the hash is correct or not.

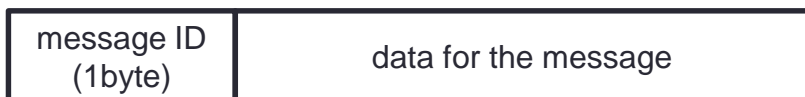
RSA Authentication



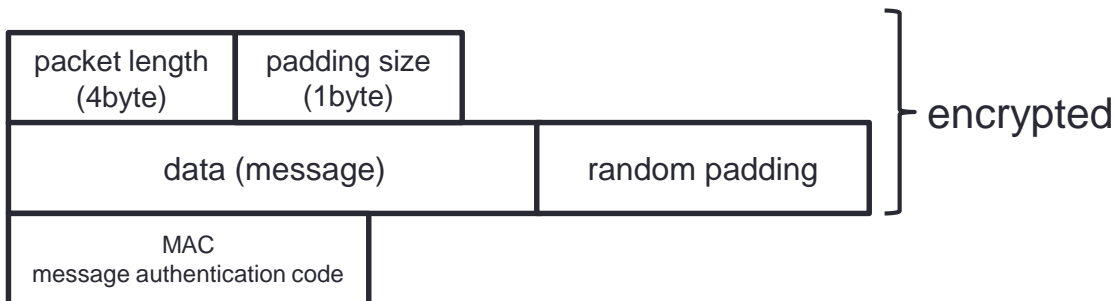
SSH Overview

- Secure communication protocol between terminal and host computer
 - TCP port 22
- Communication data
 - Messages are exchanged between server and client
 - Messages are put into a packet and the packet is encrypted.
 - Multiple channels for multiple communication on a single connection.

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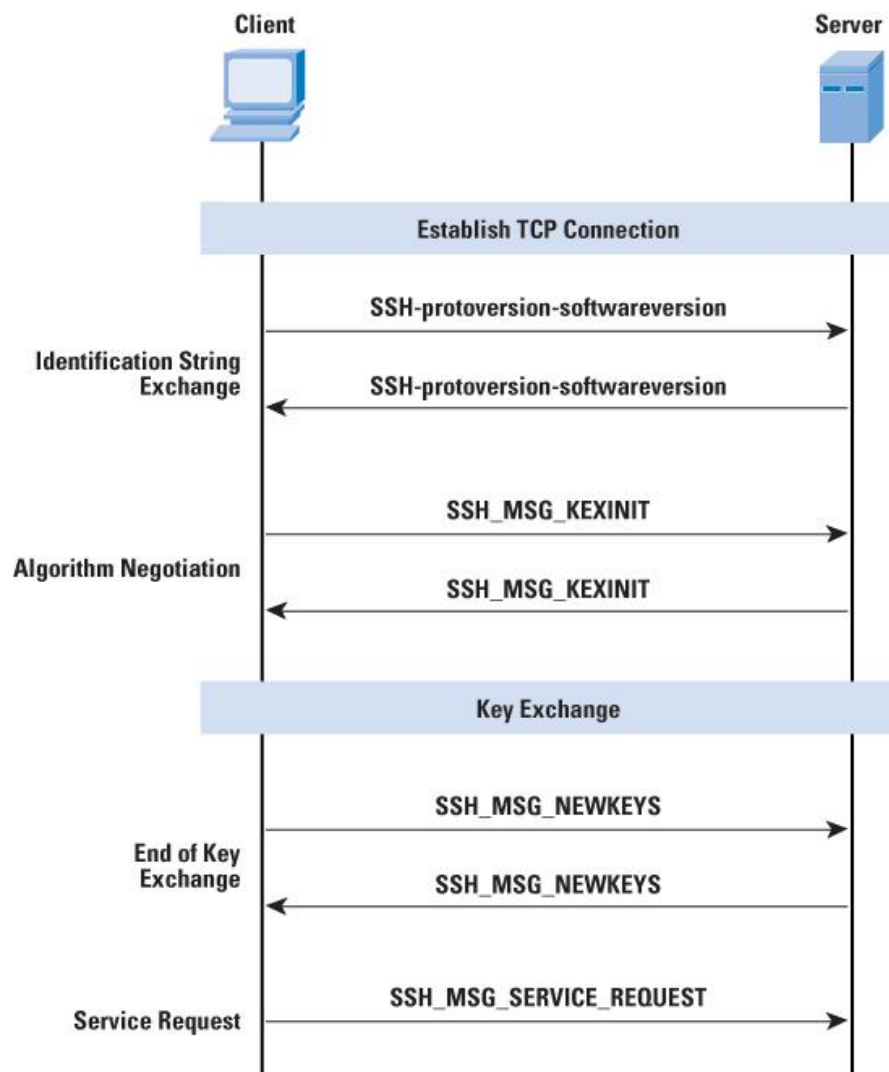


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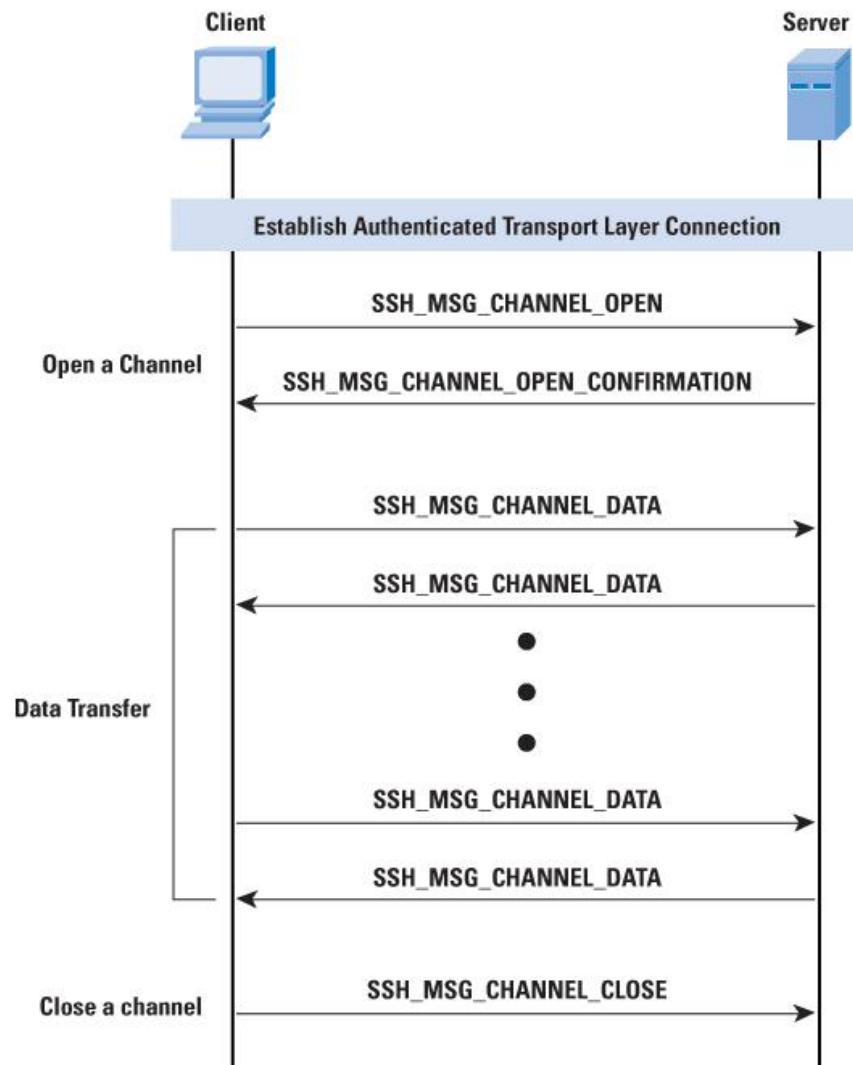
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SSH_MSG_DISCONNECT	1
SSH_MSG_IGNORE	2
SSH_MSG_UNIMPLEMENTED	3
SSH_MSG_DEBUG	4
SSH_MSG_SERVICE_REQUEST	5
SSH_MSG_SERVICE_ACCEPT	6
SSH_MSG_KEXINIT	20
SSH_MSG_NEWKEYS	21
SSH_MSG_USERAUTH_REQUEST	50
SSH_MSG_USERAUTH_FAILURE	51
SSH_MSG_USERAUTH_SUCCESS	52
SSH_MSG_USERAUTH_BANNER	53
SSH_MSG_GLOBAL_REQUEST	80
SSH_MSG_REQUEST_SUCCESS	81
SSH_MSG_REQUEST_FAILURE	82
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_OPEN	90
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_OPEN_CONFIRMATION	91
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_OPEN_FAILURE	92
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_WINDOW_ADJUST	93
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_DATA	94
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_EXTENDED_DATA	95
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_EOF	96
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_CLOSE	97
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_REQUEST	98
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_SUCCESS	99
SSH_MSG_CHANNEL_FAILURE	100

SSH Sequence (1)



- When connected, exchange key to establish a secure communication.

SSH Sequence (2)



- Create multiple channels:
 - execution of shell
 - execution of command
 - port forwarding
 - X11 forwarding

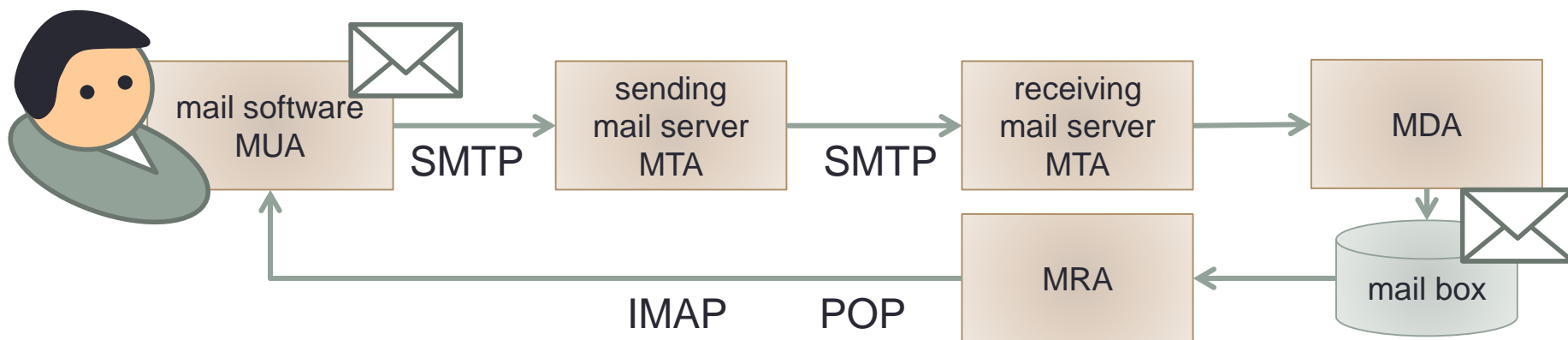
Summary of Remote Terminal

- Telnet
 - One of the oldest TCP protocol
 - Simply implement virtual terminal on internet
 - Security issues
- SSH
 - Secure communication channel
 - Multiple user authentication mechanism supported
 - Multiple channels for one connection

ELECTRIC MAIL

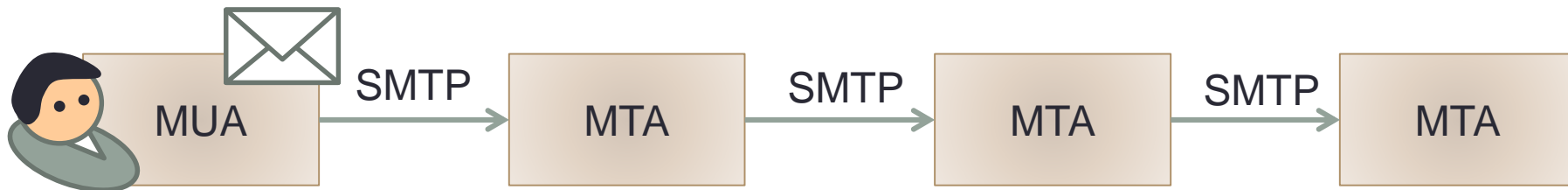
Electric Mail Components

- MUA (Mail User Agent)
 - Mail client software
 - Sending and receiving mails
- MTA (Mail Transfer Agent)
 - Sending mails to destination
- MDA (Mail Deliver Agent)
 - MTA uses this to write mails to mail boxes.
- MRA (Mail Retrieval Agent)
 - Retrieving mails from remote mail box.



SMTP

- Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
 - MUA uses this to send mails to MTA
 - MTA uses this to forward mails to other MTA



- Specification
 - RFC821 (1982) is the first spec.
 - Various extensions are added later covered by multiple RFCs.
 - ESMTP (Extended SMTP)
- TCP connection
 - port 25

SMTP Server Mandatory Commands

- HELO
 - Specify the sending host.
- MAIL
 - Specify the sender
- RCPT
 - Specify the receiver
- DATA
 - Mail message
- RSET
 - Reset the server
- NOOP
 - No effect
- QUIT
 - Terminate the connection

Example of Sending Mail

- Connect to the server
 - 220 smtp.sfc.keio.ac.jp SMTP
- HELO ninna.tom.sfc.keio.ac.jp
 - 250 ninna.tom.sfc.keio.ac.jp
Hello
- MAIL FROM: hagino@sfc.keio.ac.jp
 - 250 hagino@sfc.keio.ac.jp
Sender ok
- RCPT TO: ns@gms.komazawa-u.ac.jp
 - 250 ns@gms.komazawa-u.ac.jp
Recipient ok
- RCPT TO: timbl@www.org
 - 220 timbl@www.org No such user
- RCPT TO: timbl@w3.org
 - 250 timbl@w3.org Recipient ok

• DATA

- 354 Enter mail, end with "." on a line by itself

From: hagino@sfc.keio.ac.jp
 To: ns@gms.komazawa-u.ac.jp
 Cc: timbl@w3.org
 Subject: Hello

Dear Nobuo and Tim,
 (mail body)

.

- 250 0AA06460 Message accepted for delivery

• QUIT


- 221 smtp.sfc.keio.ac.jp closing connection

Mail Address and Mail Server

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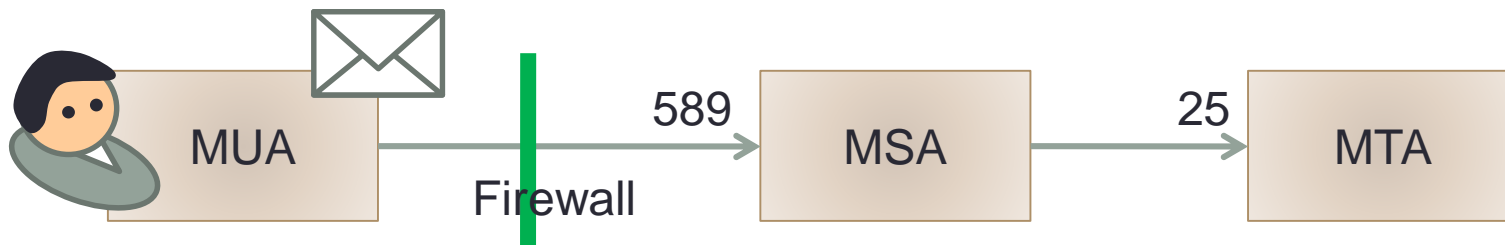
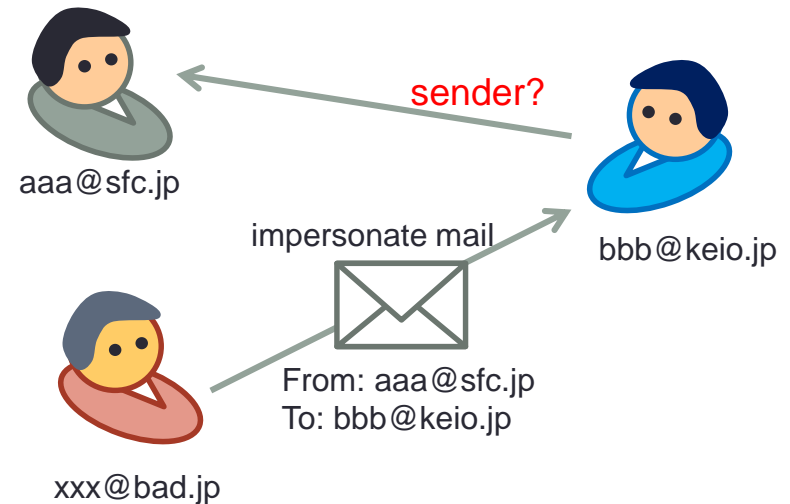
display name local part domain part

- A mail address consists of local part and domain part.
 - Use DNS domain name and the part is case insensitive
 - The local part is officially case sensitive, but a lot of systems ignore case.
- Mail server
 - Find the mail server from the domain part.
 - Use MX (Mail Exchange) of DNS to specify the mail server for the domain.

`sfc.keio.ac.jp`  `MX` `mail-gw2.sfc.keio.ac.jp`
`mail-gw1.sfc.keio.ac.jp`

SMTP Security

- Anybody can send mail with any name.
 - Can easily create impersonate mails.
 - Spam
- Limit MUA to connect MTE
 - POP before SMTP
 - SMTP AUTH
- Prohibit using outside MTA
 - Outbound port 25 blocking at firewall
 - MSA (Message Submission Agent)



- Encrypt message body
 - SMTP over SSL

Mail Server Software

- sendmail
 - Developed at U.C. Berkeley in 1980s.
 - Can handle other electric mail protocols like UUCP.
 - Configuration file sendmail.cf consists of rewrite rules.
- qmail
 - Fast, simple and robust
 - Consists of multiple small programs.
 - Easy to setup
 - Use Maildir format for mail boxes.
- postfix
 - Try to keep the compatibility with sendmail
- courier-MTA
 - Open source software
 - Replacement of qmail
- exim

Mail Message Format

- Header
 - RFC822
 - **To:** mail receivers
 - **From:** mail sender
 - **Date:** date
 - **Subject:** mail subject
- Body
 - MIME (Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions)
 - **MIME-Version:** 1.0
 - **Content-Type:** type/subtype; parameter
 - **Content-Transfer-Encoding:** mechanism
 - **Content-ID:** message-id
 - **Content-Description:** text

Content-Type

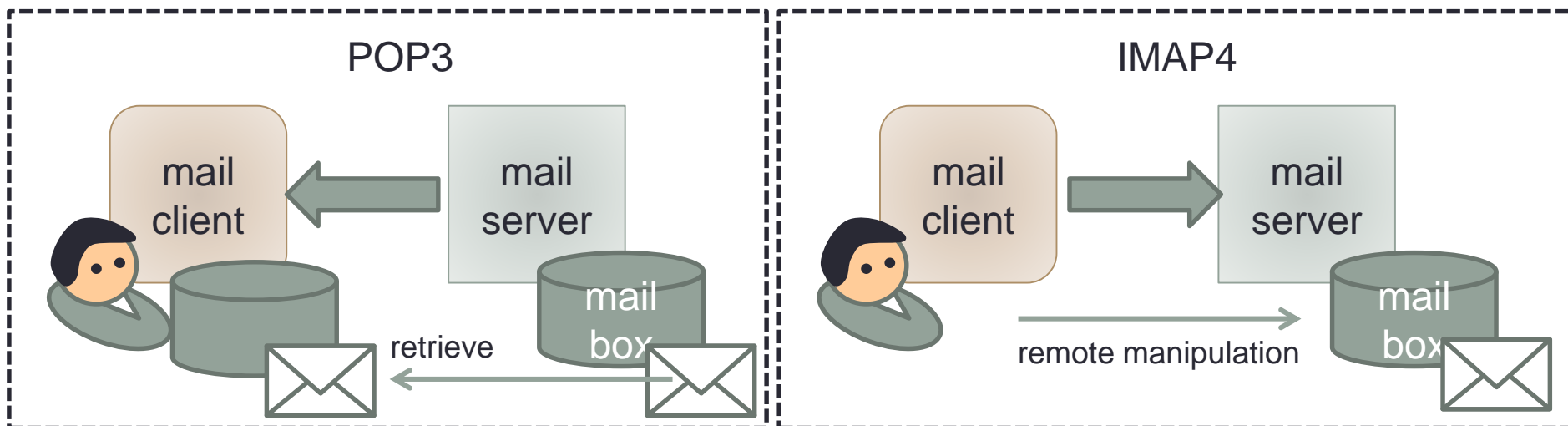
- `text/plain;charset=us-ascii`
 - normal text
- `text/enriched`
 - He is a `<bold>`Japanese`</bold>`
- `multipart/mixed;boundary="-3D3C5DF17D08"`
 - consists of multiple parts
- `message/rfc822`
 - electric mail
- `application/octet-stream;name=text.lzh;type=lzh`
- `application/postscript`
- `image/jpeg`
- `audio/basic`
- `video/mpeg`

Use of Japanese in Electric Mail

- Body
 - Default encoding is iso-2022-jp
 - Can specify encoding by MIME (UTF-8, Shift_JIS, ...)
- Header
 - ASCII only
 - For subjects, encode Japanese into ASCII
 - base64
 - Subject: ?ISO-2022-JP?B?GyRCMGY4fU1NGyhC?=
 - quoted-printable
 - Subject: ?ISO-88591?Q?Keld_J=F8rn_Simonsen?=

Receiving Electric Mails

- Directly access mail boxes
- Retrieve mails from remote mail boxes
- POP3
 - Post Office Protocol
 - Retrieve mails to MUA
 - MUA manages mails locally.
 - Need to keep mails in mail boxes for sharing with other MUA
- IMAP4
 - Internet Message Access Protocol
 - Manipulate mails in mail boxes.
 - MUA has mail cache
 - Multiple MUA can share



Example of POP

```
+OK Qpopper at mail.sfc.keio.ac.jp starting.  
USER hokino  
+OK Password required for hokino.  
PASS password  
+OK Welcome hokino!  
STAT  
+OK 3 1230  
RETR 1  
(the first mail)  
DELE 1  
+OK Message 1 marked for deletion  
QUIT  
+OK 1 message expunged. Bye!
```

Example of IMAP

```

+OK IMAP4rev1 server ready
A121 CAPABILITY
    * CAPABILITY IMAP4rev1 AUTH=X509
    A121 OK CAPABILITY completed
A123 LOGIN hagino password
    A123 OK LOGIN completed
A125 LIST ~/Mail/%
    * LIST (¥Marked) "/" ~/Mail/Inbox
    * LIST () "/" ~/Mail/Stuff
    A125 OK LIST completed
A127 DELETE ~/Mail/Stuff
    A127 OK DELETE Completed
A129 SELECT ~/Mail/Inbox
    * 23 EXISTS
    * 12 RECENT
    * OK [UNSEEN 3] Messages 3 is first unseen
    * OK [UIDVALIDITY 5732875] UISS valid
    * FLAGS (¥Answered ¥Flagged ¥Deleted ¥Seen ¥Draft)
    A129 OK [READ-WRITE] SELECT completed
A131 FETCH 3 BODY[TEXT]
    * FETCH (Body[TEXT]{62}
    (mail body)
    )
    A131 OK FETCH completed
A133 LOGOUT
    * BYE IMAP4rev1 Server logging out
    A133 OK LOGOUT completed

```

Other Topics of Electric Mail

- Mail forwarding
 - Forward mails to other addresses.
 - On UNIX, specify in `~/.forward` (MDA handles)
 - `/etc/aliases` specifies system wide forwarding (MTA handles)
- Mailing list
 - Send mails to multiple receivers.
 - Create a mailing list containing receiver's addresses.
- Sorting mails
 - Automatically process received mails and sort them into different folders.
 - Forward mails which match the specified condition.
 - Automatic reply when you are not around. (**vacation** program)
 - Example: procmail
- Encrypted mails
 - Encrypt mail body
 - Header is not encrypted.
 - Example: encrypt mail body with receiver's public key.
- Digital signature
 - Protect from impersonation
 - Make sure mail body is not tampered.
 - Example: encrypt message digest with sender's private key.

Summary of Electric Mail

- One of the most popular TCP protocol
 - Multiple RFC
- Setting up MUA
 - Different protocols for sending and receiving electric mails.
 - SMTP
 - POP/IMAP
- Security issues
 - SPAM