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# Security Features of TLS 1.3

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# Outline

- ▶ Transport Layer Security Protocol – where, why and how?
- ▶ The road to TLS 1.2 and after.
- ▶ What's new in TLS 1.3.

# Overview

Transport Layer Security

WHERE? WHY? HOW?

TLS: a History

Transport Layer Security  
v1.2

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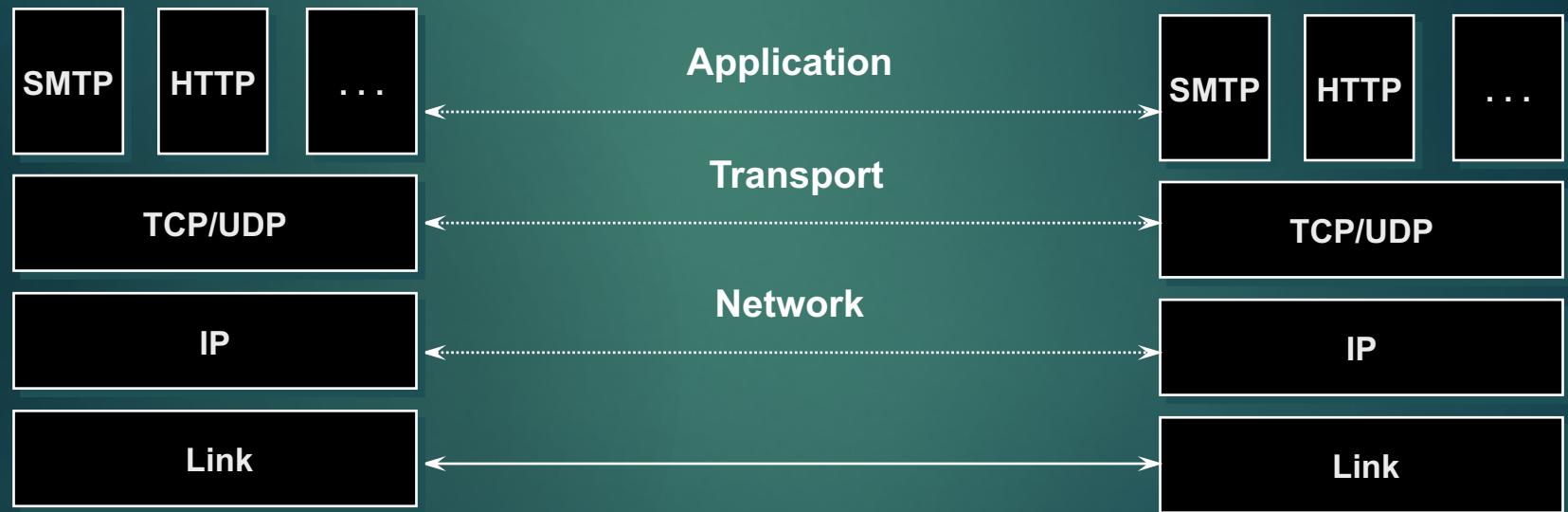
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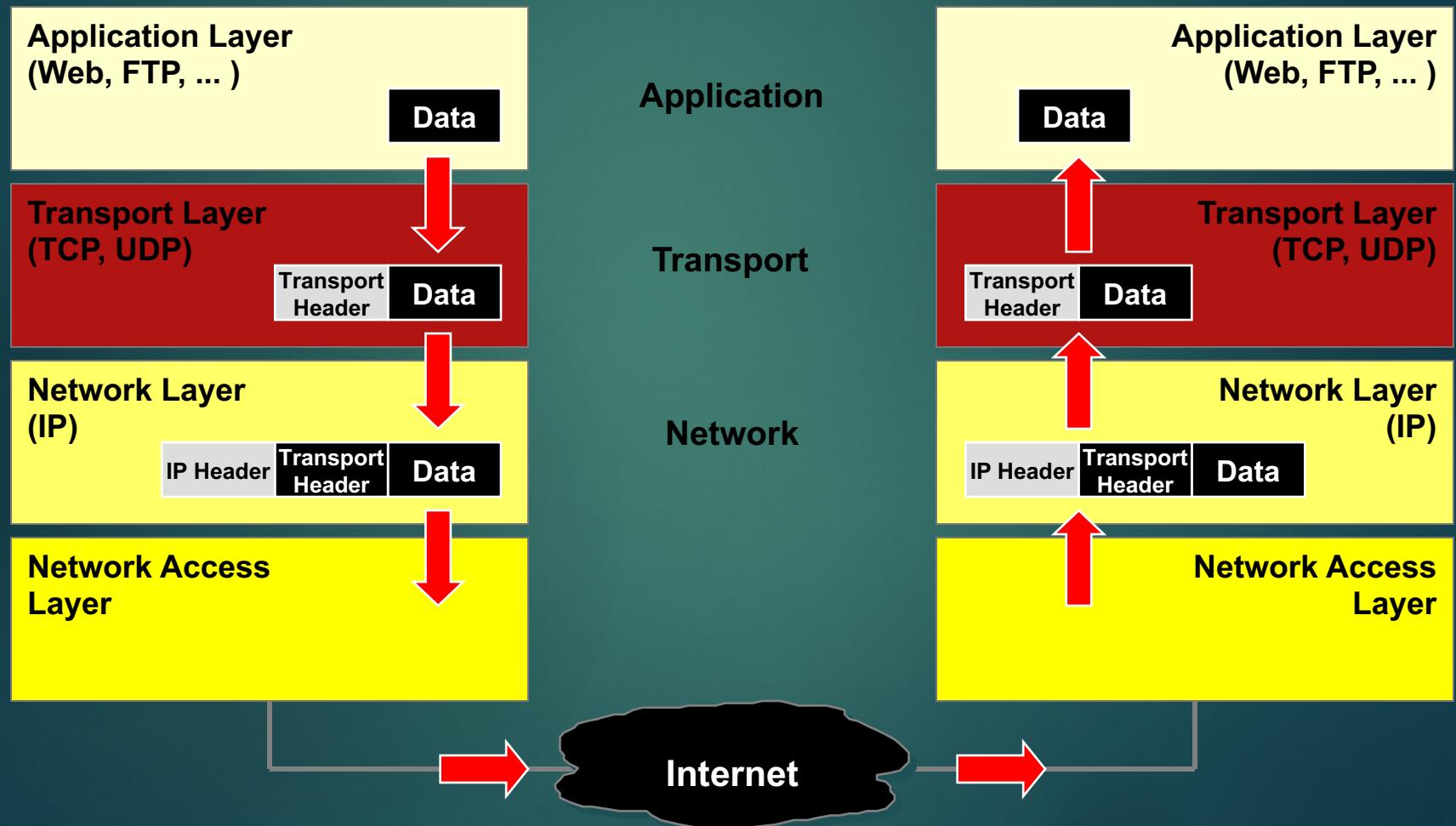
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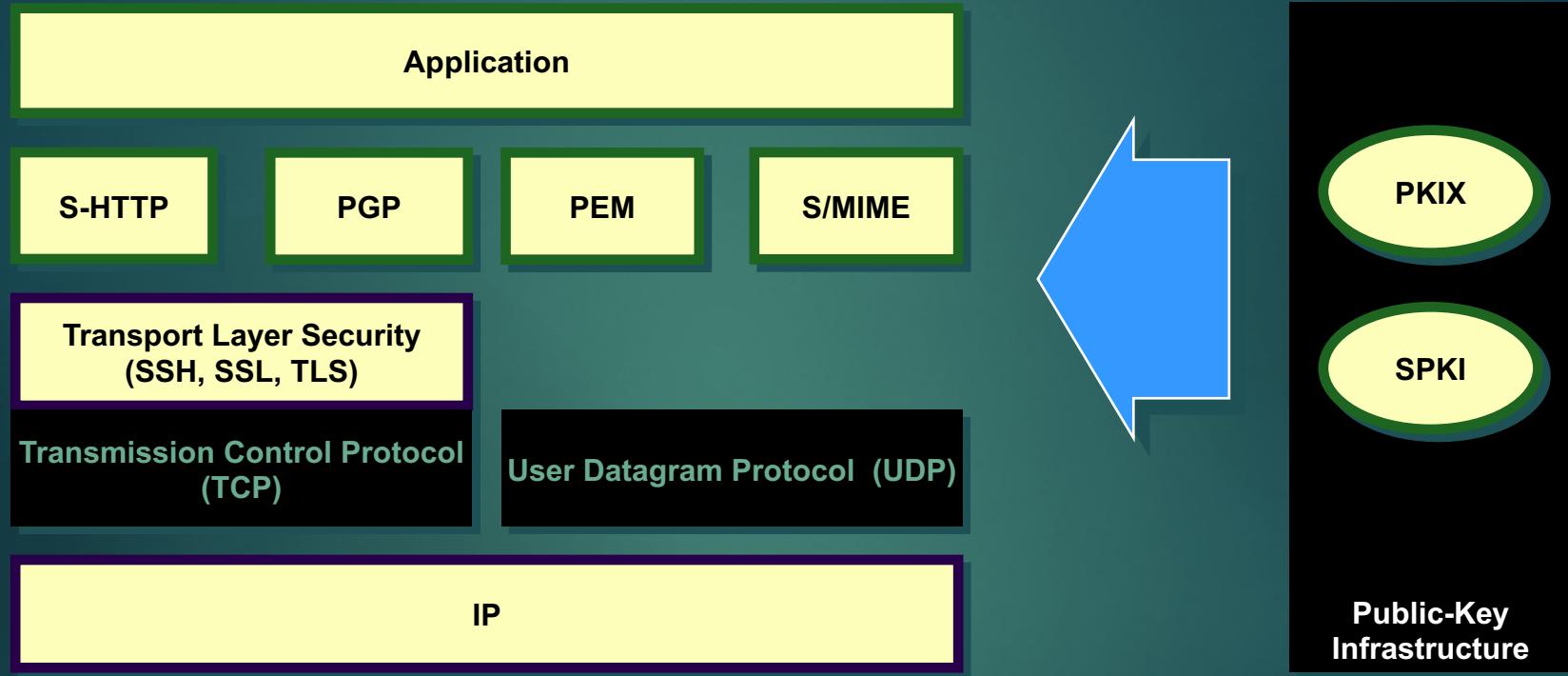
# Internet Protocols



# Data Encapsulation



# TLS, where are you?

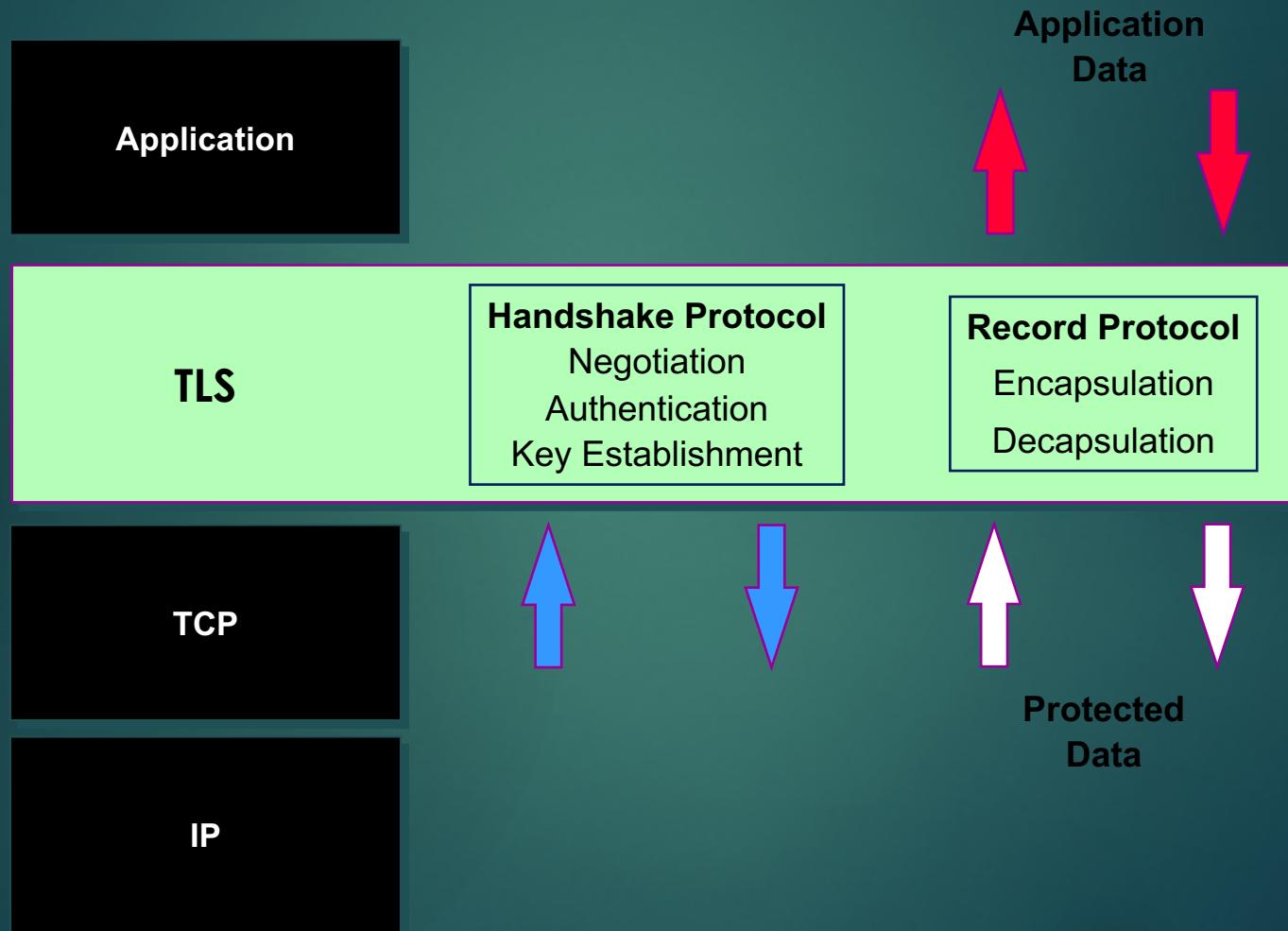


- ▶ the protocol can only protect the payload and/or header information available at its layer

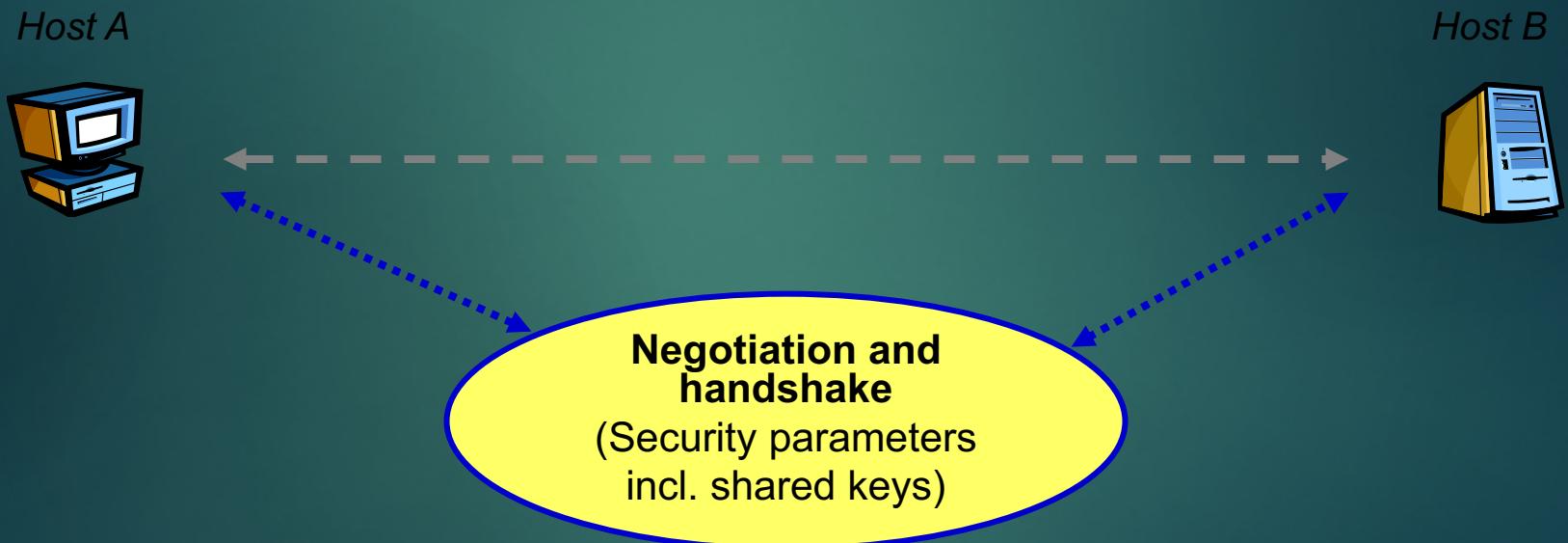
# TLS – goals:

- ▶ Authentication:
  - ▶ Servers always authenticate to clients.
  - ▶ Clients can authenticate to servers.
- ▶ Confidentiality:
  - ▶ Data cannot be seen in transit.
- ▶ Integrity:
  - ▶ Data cannot be modified in transit.

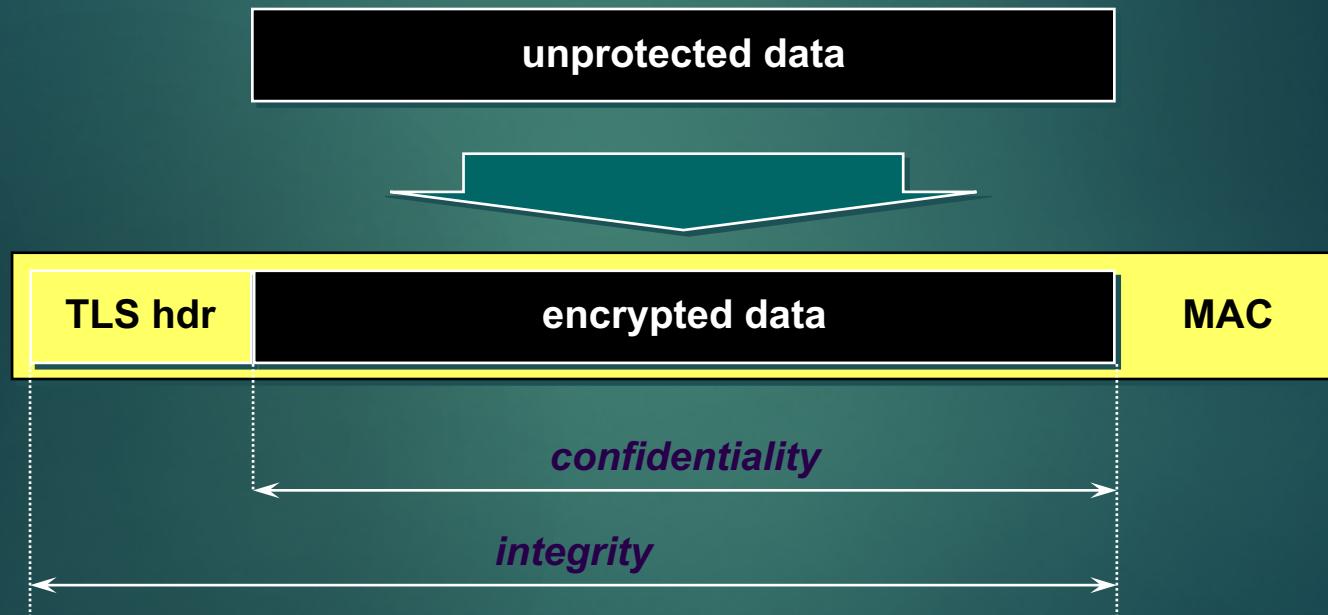
# TLS – function:



# TLS – function: Session establishment



# TLS – function: Data encapsulation



# Algorithm Selection

## “Suite negotiation”

- ▶ Different fixed suites.
  - ▶ Encodes algorithms and parameters.
- ▶ Simple and compact.
- ▶ Management of risk (somewhat).
- ▶ Less flexible.
- ▶ Potentially exponential number of suites (314 for TLS 1.2).

# TLS and cryptography

e.g. TLS\_ECDHE\_RSA\_WITH\_AES\_GCM\_SHA256

- ▶ Cryptographic techniques:
  - ▶ Key establishment (secrecy): ECDHE
  - ▶ Entity authentication: RSA
  - ▶ Symmetric encryption (data privacy): AES\_GCM
  - ▶ MACs: Message authentication mechanisms (data integrity): SHA256 (with HMAC)

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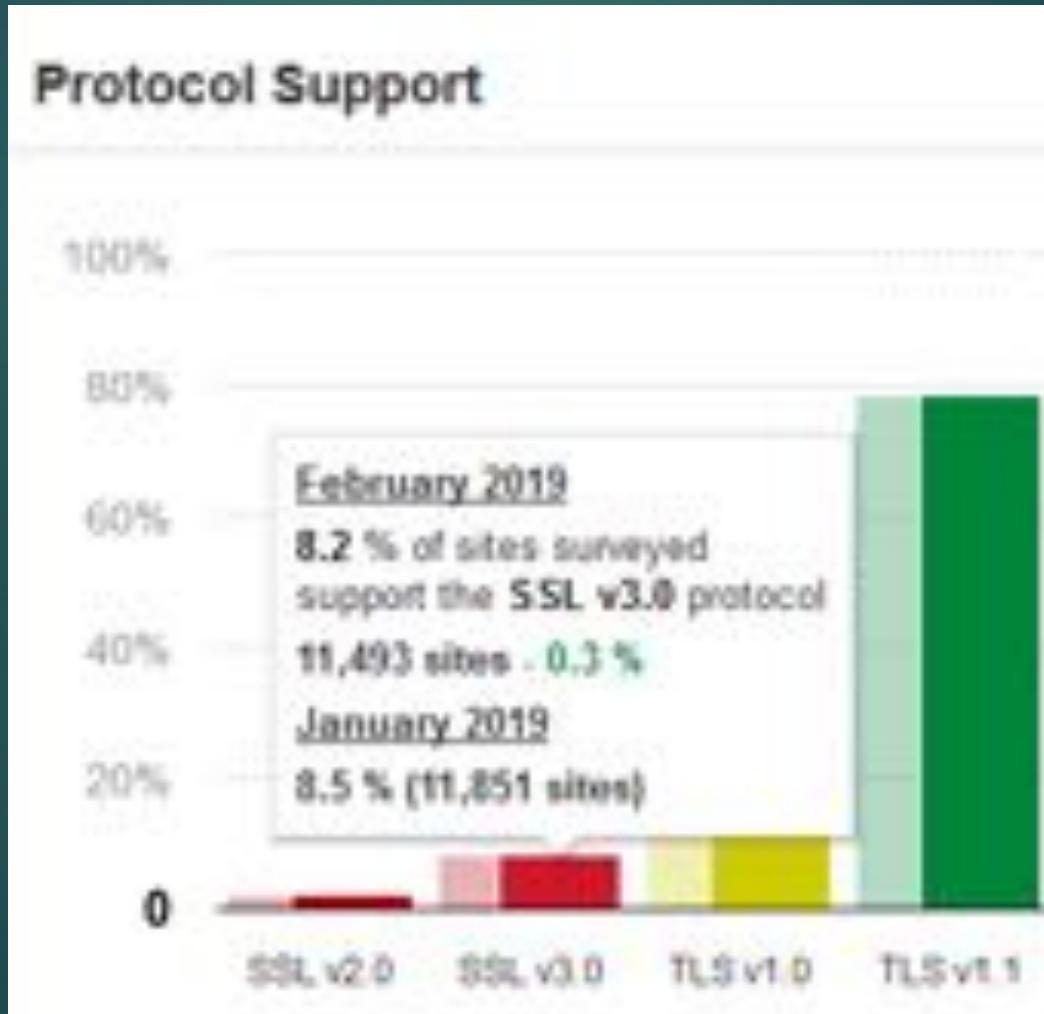


# TLS – a History

## SSL: Secure Sockets Layer (Netscape)

- ▶ SSL 2.0:
  - ▶ Released in 1995.
  - ▶ Security flaws.
  - ▶ **Deprecated** in 2011, [RFC 6176](#).
- ▶ SSL 3.0:
  - ▶ Released in 1996, [RFC 6101](#) (historic).
  - ▶ **Not** interoperable with TLS.
  - ▶ In 2014, POODLE attack on block ciphers.
  - ▶ **Deprecated** in 2015, [RFC 7568](#).

# TLS – a History



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# TLS – a History

TLS: Transport Layer Security (IETF)

- ▶ TLS 1.0:
  - ▶ Defined in Jan 1999, [RFC 2246](#).
  - ▶ SSL 3.0 with minor changes – **not interoperable**.
  - ▶ Includes downgrade mechanism to SSL 3.0.
  - ▶ Default: DSA/3DES

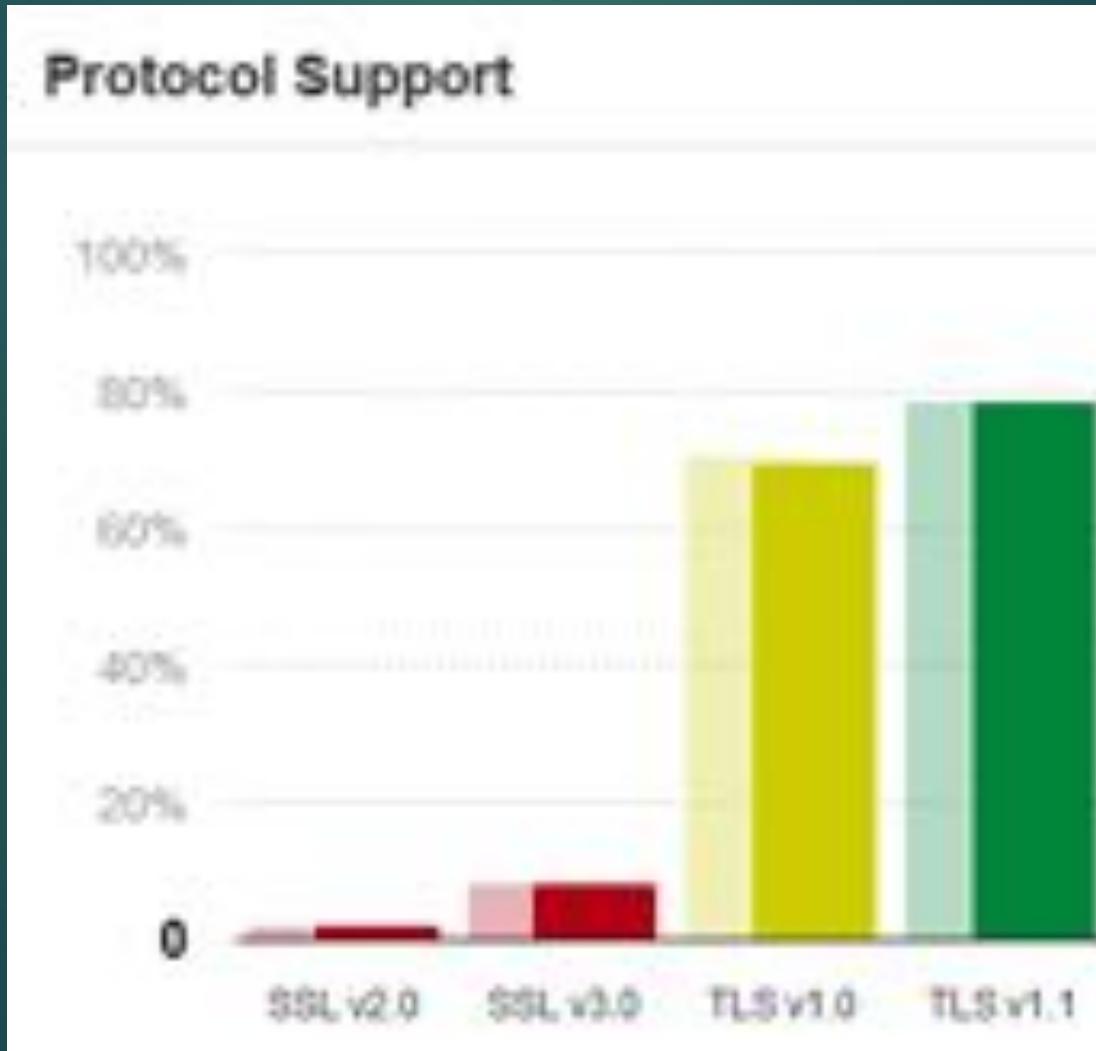
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- ▶ TLS 1.1:
  - ▶ Defined in Apr 2006, [RFC 4346](#).
  - ▶ TLS 1.0 with fixes:
    - ▶ Padding oracles removed.
    - ▶ Explicit Initialisation Vector to prevent CBC attacks.
  - ▶ Default: RSA/3DES

October 2018: Apple, Google, Microsoft and Mozilla will deprecate TLS 1.0 **and** 1.1 by March 2020

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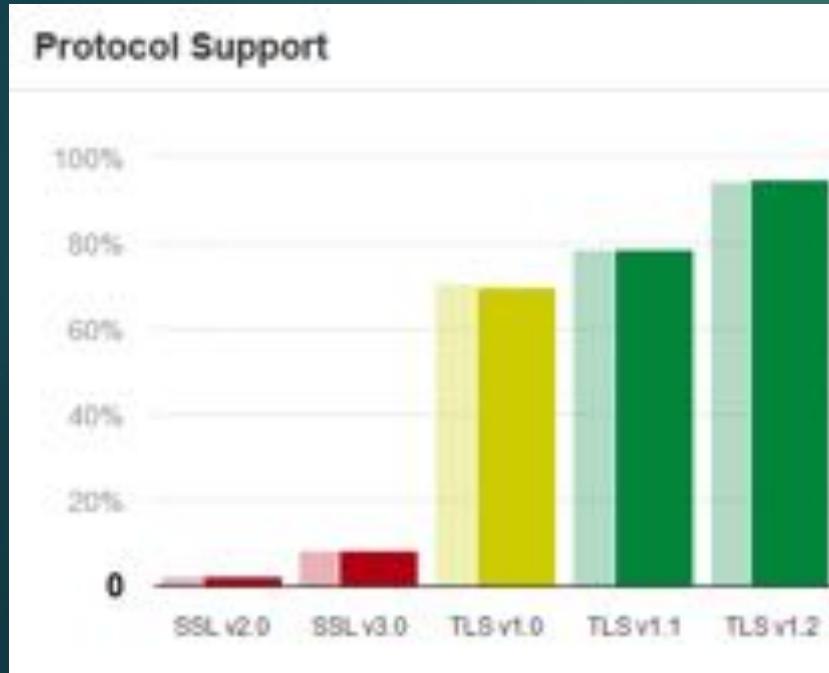
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# TLS – a History

## TLS: Transport Layer Security (IETF)

- ▶ TLS 1.2:
  - ▶ Defined in Aug 2008, [RFC 5246](#).
  - ▶ MD5 and SHA-1 → SHA256 (mostly).
  - ▶ Add AES cipher-suites (but still supports RC4!).
  - ▶ Add AEAD: GCM and CCM with AES.
  - ▶ Many options for suite-specified PRFs and Hashes.
  - ▶ Currently 314 cipher-suites!
- ▶ A lot of flexibility → many ways to get it wrong.

# Current deployment



94.7% of websites support TLS 1.2.

Only 65.8% securely configured.

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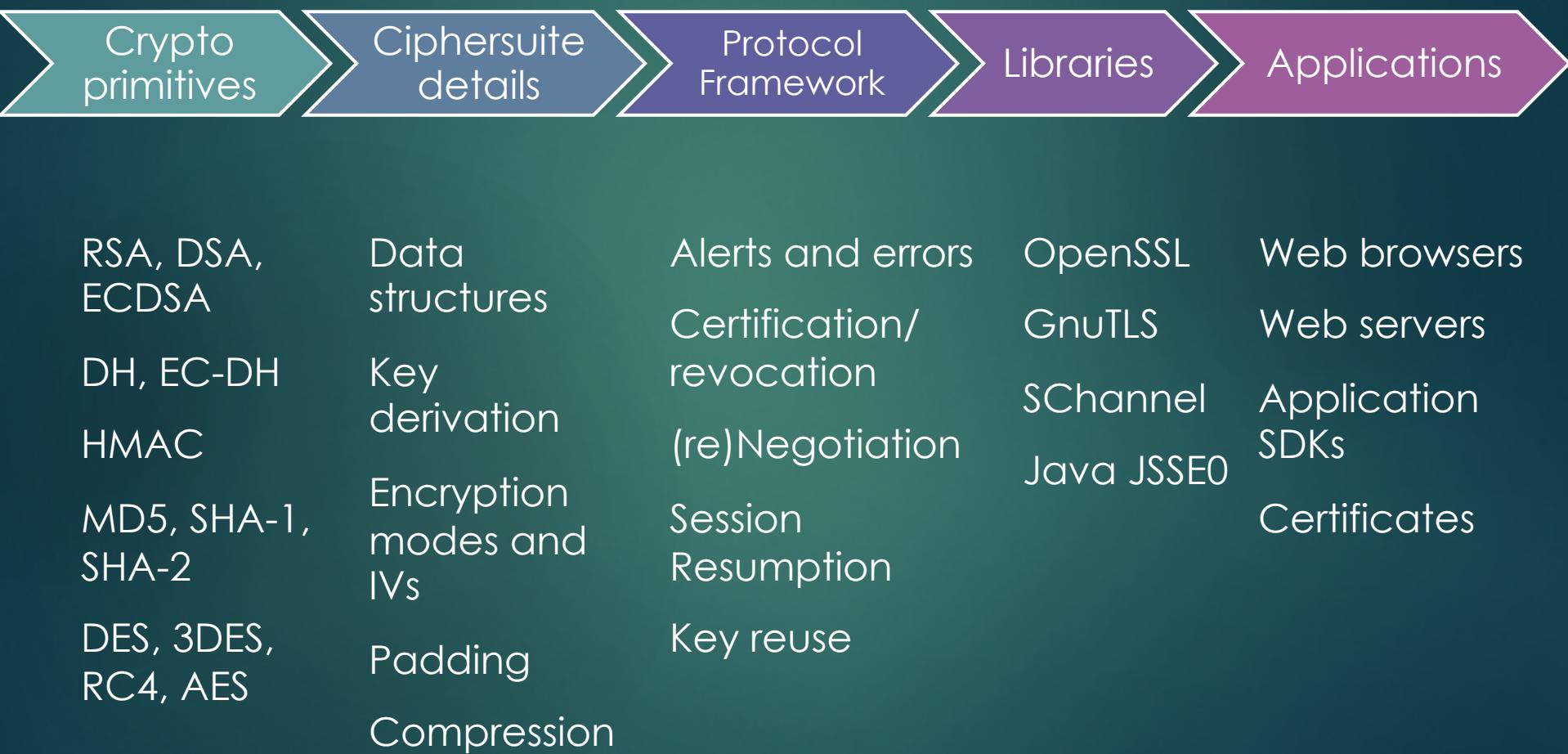


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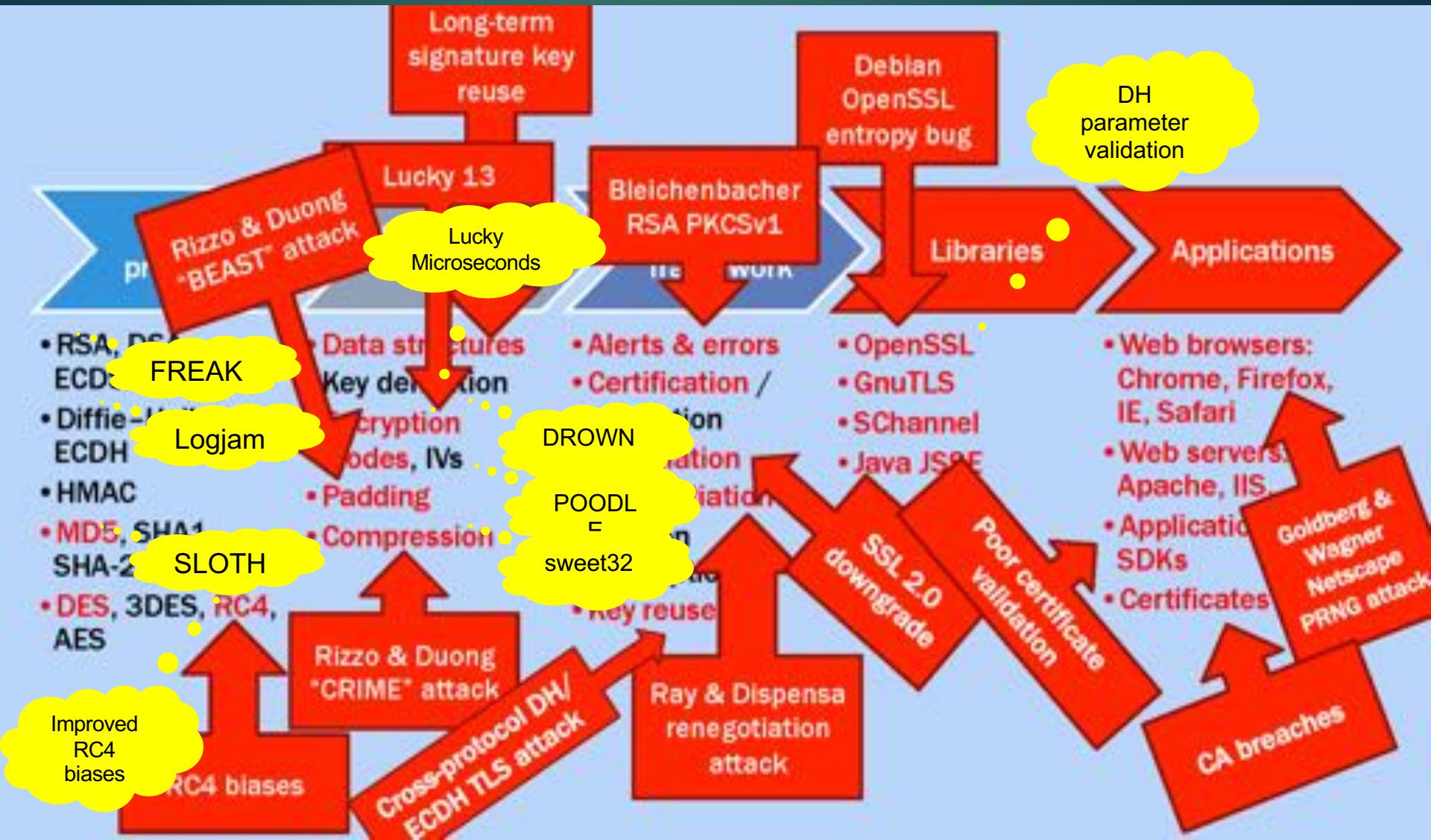
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Updated November 2016



# TLS Renegotiation Attack

[Marsh Ray Nov.09]

- ▶ Suite can be renegotiated.
  - ▶ Looks like negotiation.
- ▶ Person-In-The-Middle can inject (plaintext) traffic.
- ▶ Fix: TLS renegotiation indication extension.
  - ▶ Feb 2010, [RFC 5746](#).
  - ▶ 84% deployment in Jan.'14.

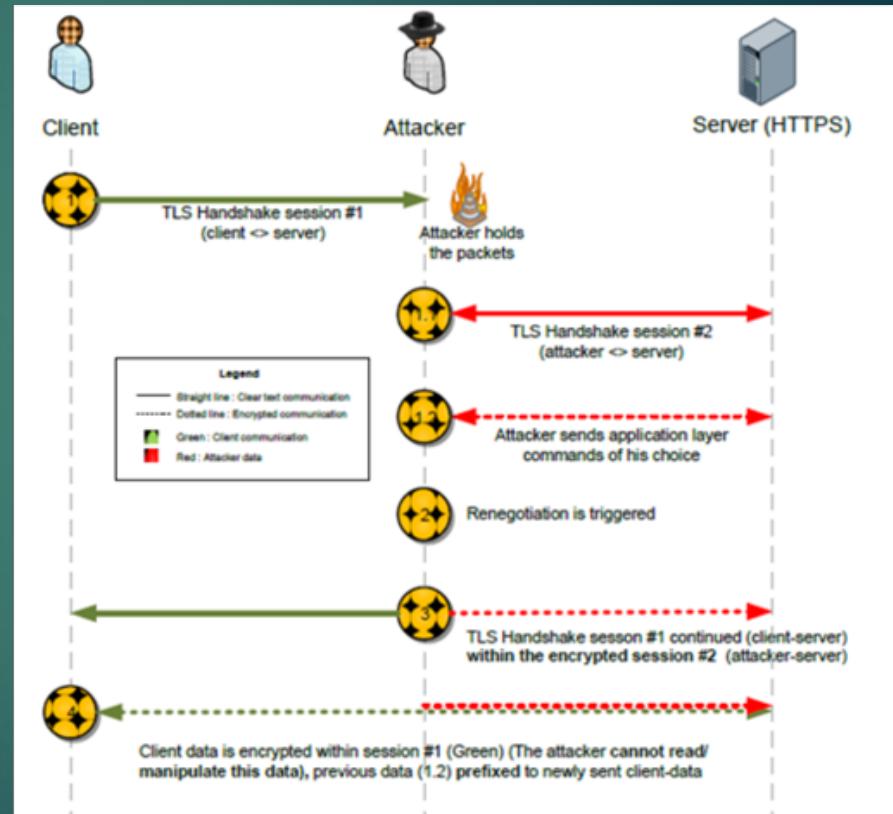


Figure: L. O'Connor

# Transport Layer Security v1.3

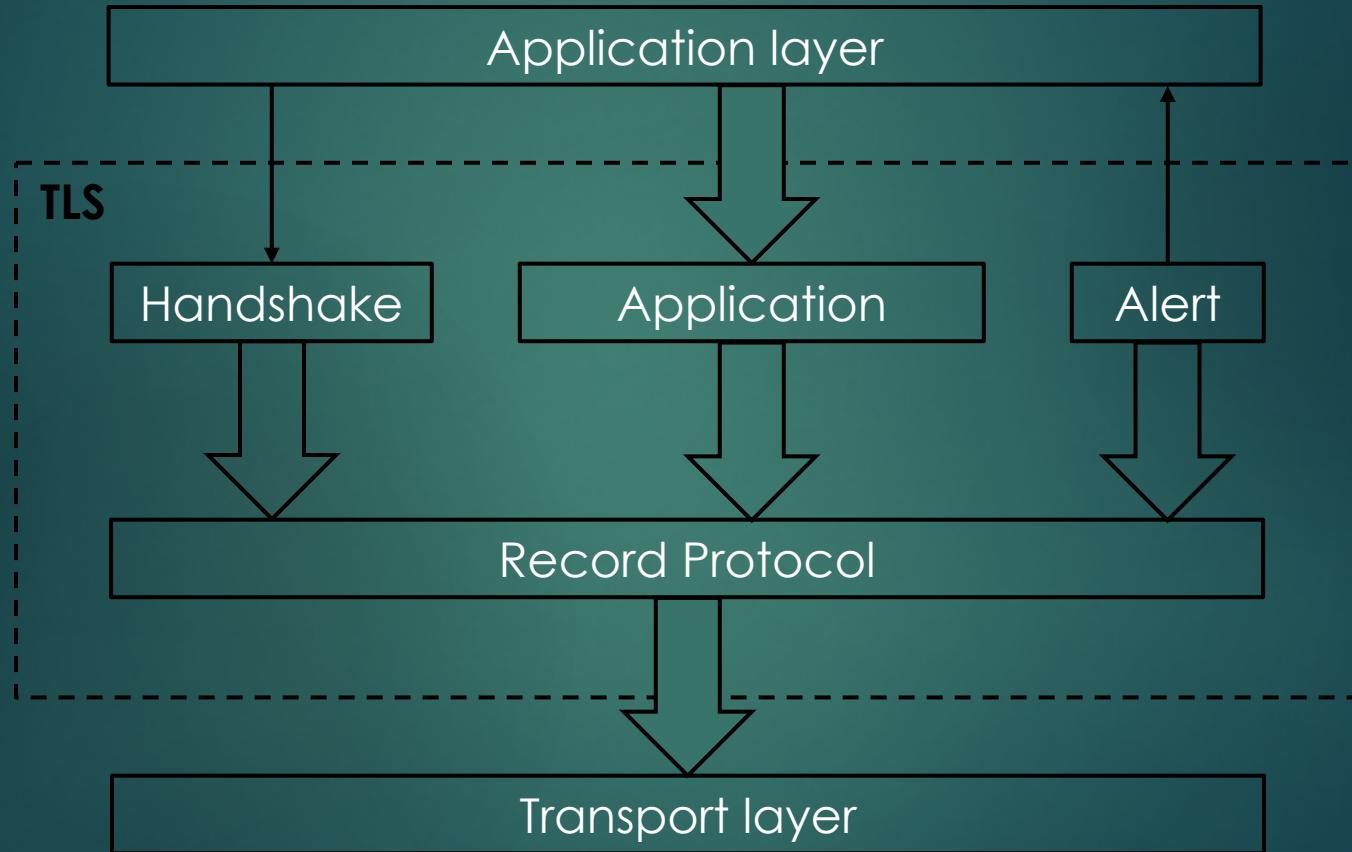
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# TLS 1.3 (Aug 2018, RFC 8446)

## Major changes:

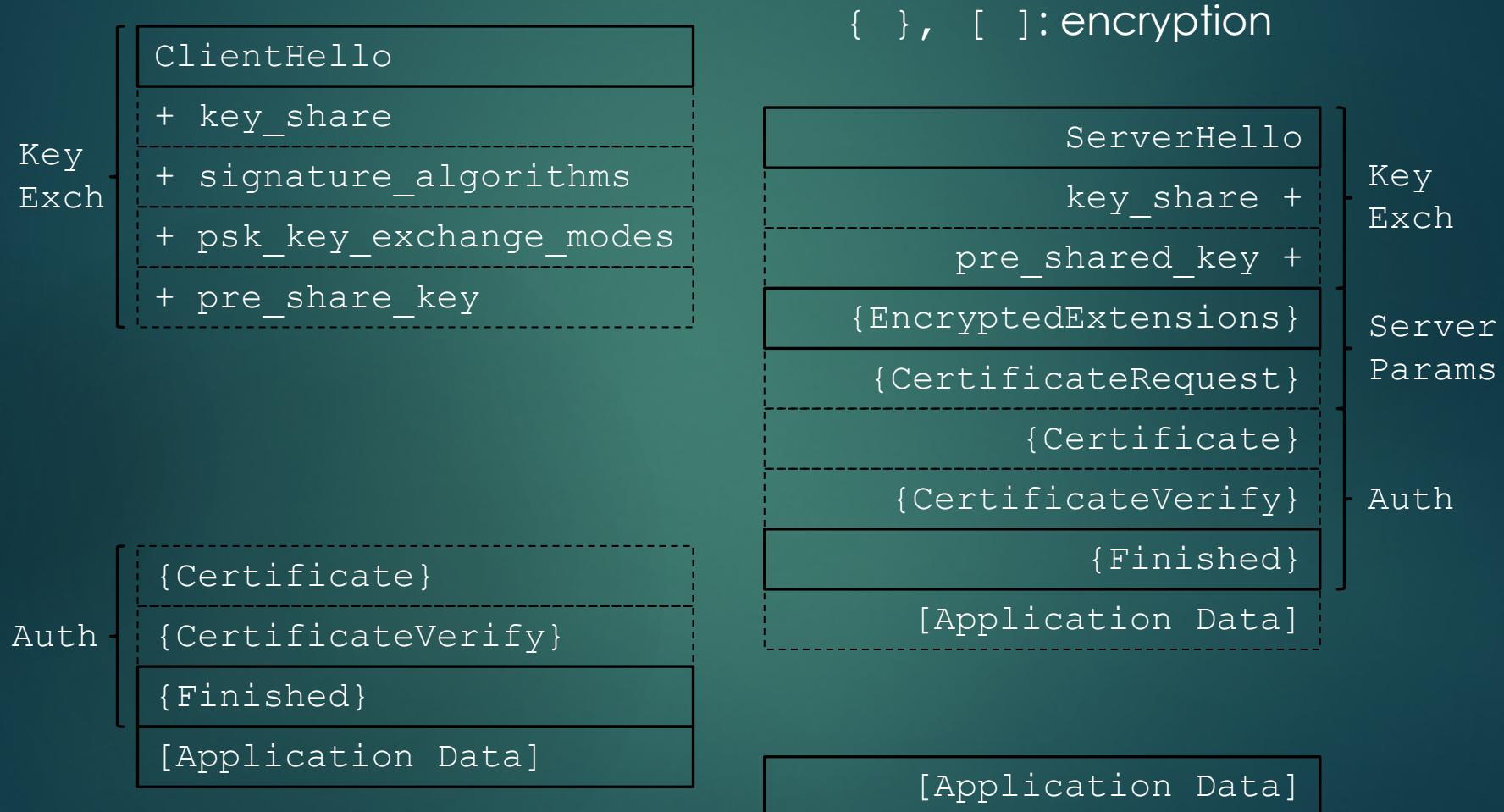
- ▶ **Only** AEAD symmetric algorithms allowed for encryption.
- ▶ **Changed** negotiation.
  - ▶ Separated: auth. & KE / record protection & hash function.
- ▶ **Deprecated static** RSA and DH key exchange (KE).
  - ▶ **Forward secrecy** for all PK-based KE.
- ▶ **Encrypted** handshake after ServerHello (incl. identities).
- ▶ **Redesign** of key derivation (based on HKDF).
  - ▶ Better formal analysis.
- ▶ **1-RTT handshake** and **0-RTT** option.

# Protocol Structure



# Handshake Protocol - AKE

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# Cipher pairs negotiation

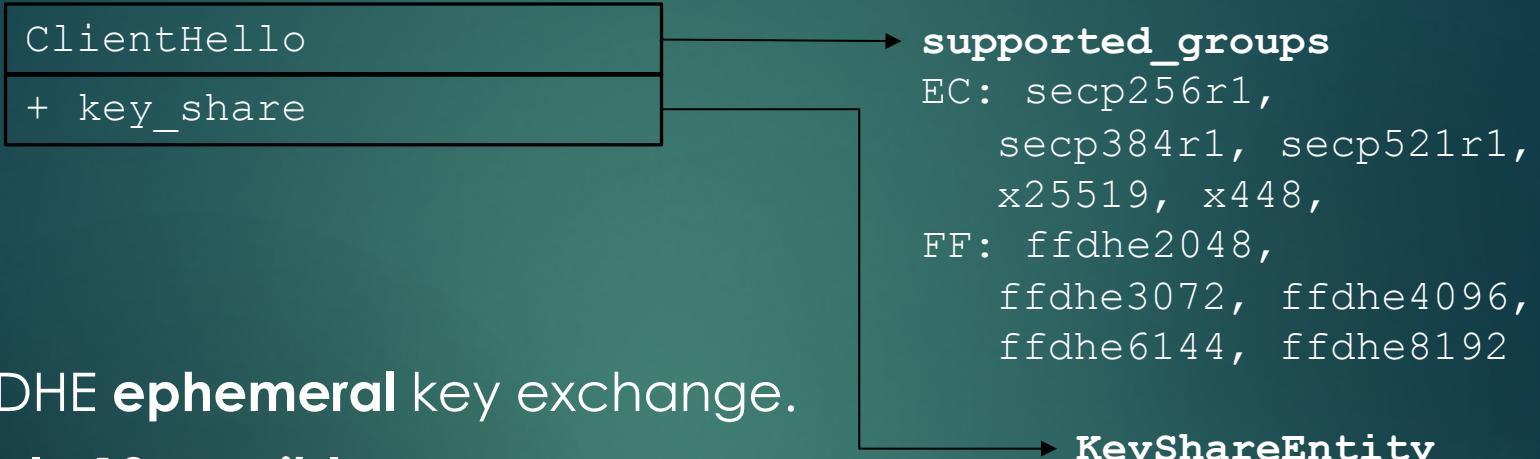
ClientHello

→ **cipher\_suites**

TLS\_AES\_128\_GCM\_SHA256  
**TLS\_AES\_256\_GCM\_SHA384**  
TLS\_CHACHA20\_POLY1305\_SHA256  
TLS\_AES\_128\_CCM\_SHA256  
TLS\_AES\_128\_CCM\_8\_SHA256

- ▶ **Only 5 possible pairs.** (At the time of presenting.)
  - ▶ **No weak crypto allowed** (unlike TLS 1.2)
- ▶ Provides **AEAD:**
  - ▶ authenticated encryption with associated data.
  - ▶ Application data **confidentiality and integrity.**
- ▶ Hash functions SHA256, SHA384 used in HKDF.
- ▶ Cannot re-negotiate.

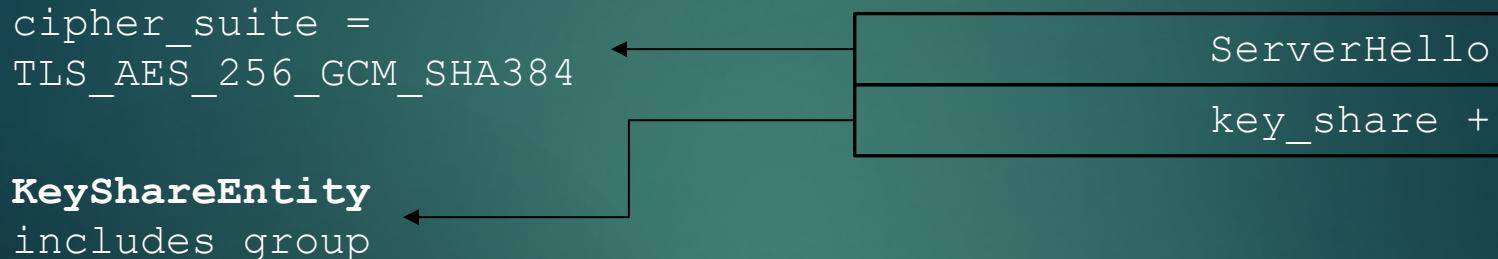
# Ephemeral KE - Client



- ▶ **Only 10 possible groups.**
  - ▶ Over finite field or elliptic curves.
  - ▶  $10 \times 5 = 50$  possible suites. (TLS 1.2 has 314).
- ▶ **Mandatory.**
- ▶ Provides **forward secrecy**.
  - ▶ If authentication keys are compromised later, then session remains secret if session-key was erased.

# Ephemeral KE - Server

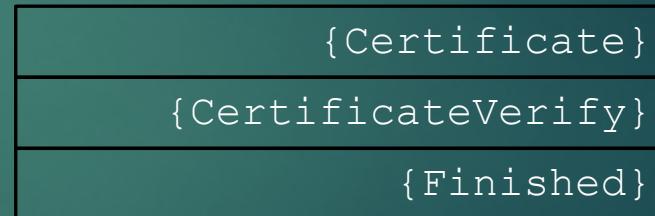
- Chooses **one** cipher suite and **one** KE group.



- Strict conditions for acceptance and downgrade.
  - Possible HelloRetryRequest.
  - Many abort scenarios.
  - Prevents many nasty situations.

# Server Authentication (one-way authentication)

- ▶ Server identity is **encrypted**.
- ▶ CertificateVerify =  
 $\text{sign}(\text{hash}(\text{handshake} \parallel \text{certificate}))$ 
  - ▶ **Authentication**.
  - ▶ **Handshake integrity**.



- ▶ Finished contains HMAC over  
 $\text{hash}(\text{handshake} \parallel \text{certificate} \parallel \text{CertificateVerify})$ 
  - ▶ **Key confirmation**.

# Client Authentication (mutual authentication)

- ▶ **Optional**, triggered by CertificateRequest.
  - ▶ signature\_algorithms sent as extension.
- ▶ CertificateVerify and Finished provide further **integrity** and **key confirmation**.

{CertificateRequest}

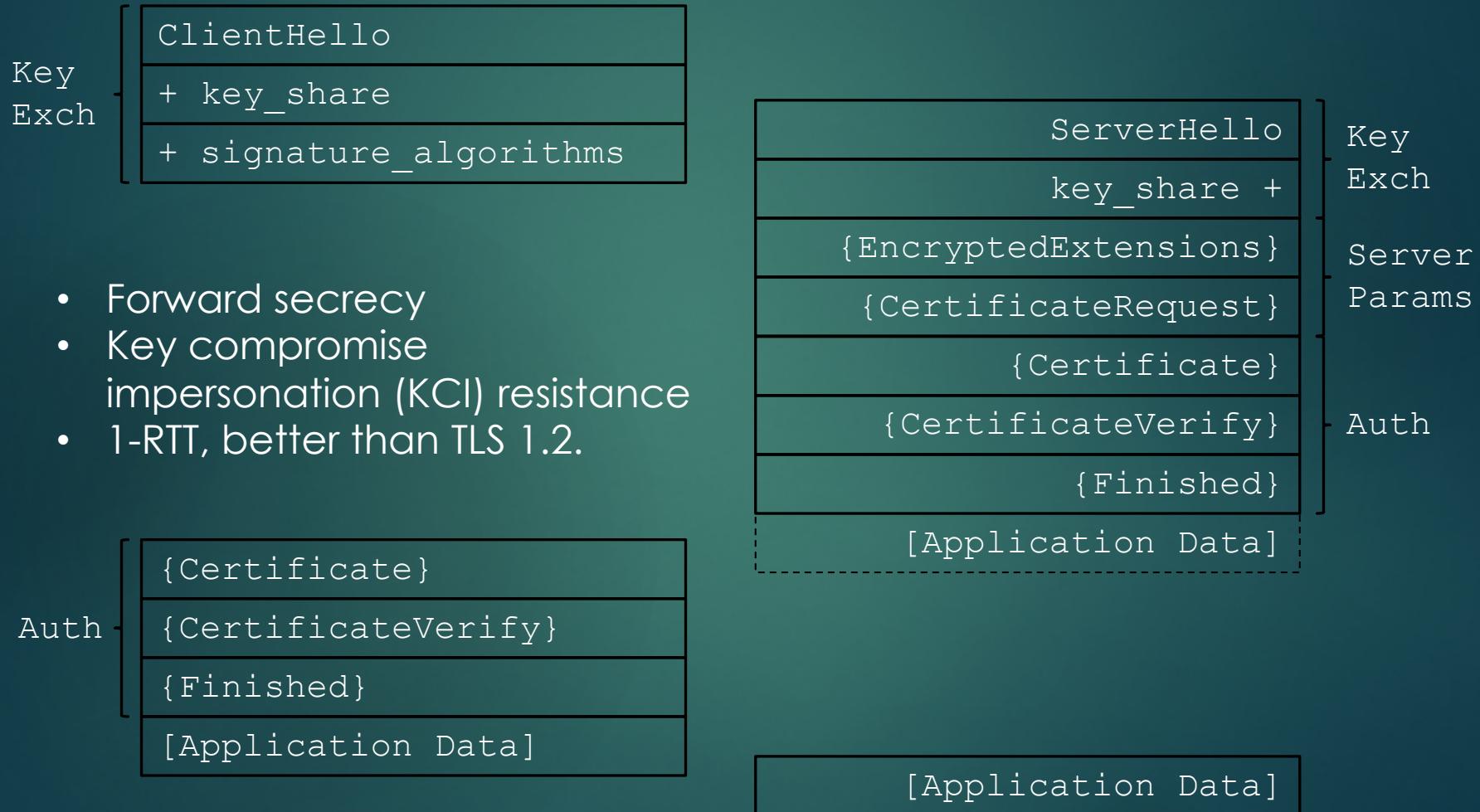
{Certificate}

{CertificateVerify}

{Finished}

# Handshake Protocol - AKE

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# 0-RTT Handshake



- ▶ No full forward secrecy.
- ▶ Server cannot guarantee uniqueness without keeping huge log.

# TLS: security guarantees

## **TLS 1.3 provides:**

- ▶ Data confidentiality with forward secrecy.
- ▶ Identity privacy.
- ▶ Entity authentication.
- ▶ Downgrade protection.
- ▶ Data integrity.
- ▶ 1-RTT latency (and 0-RTT with security trade-off).

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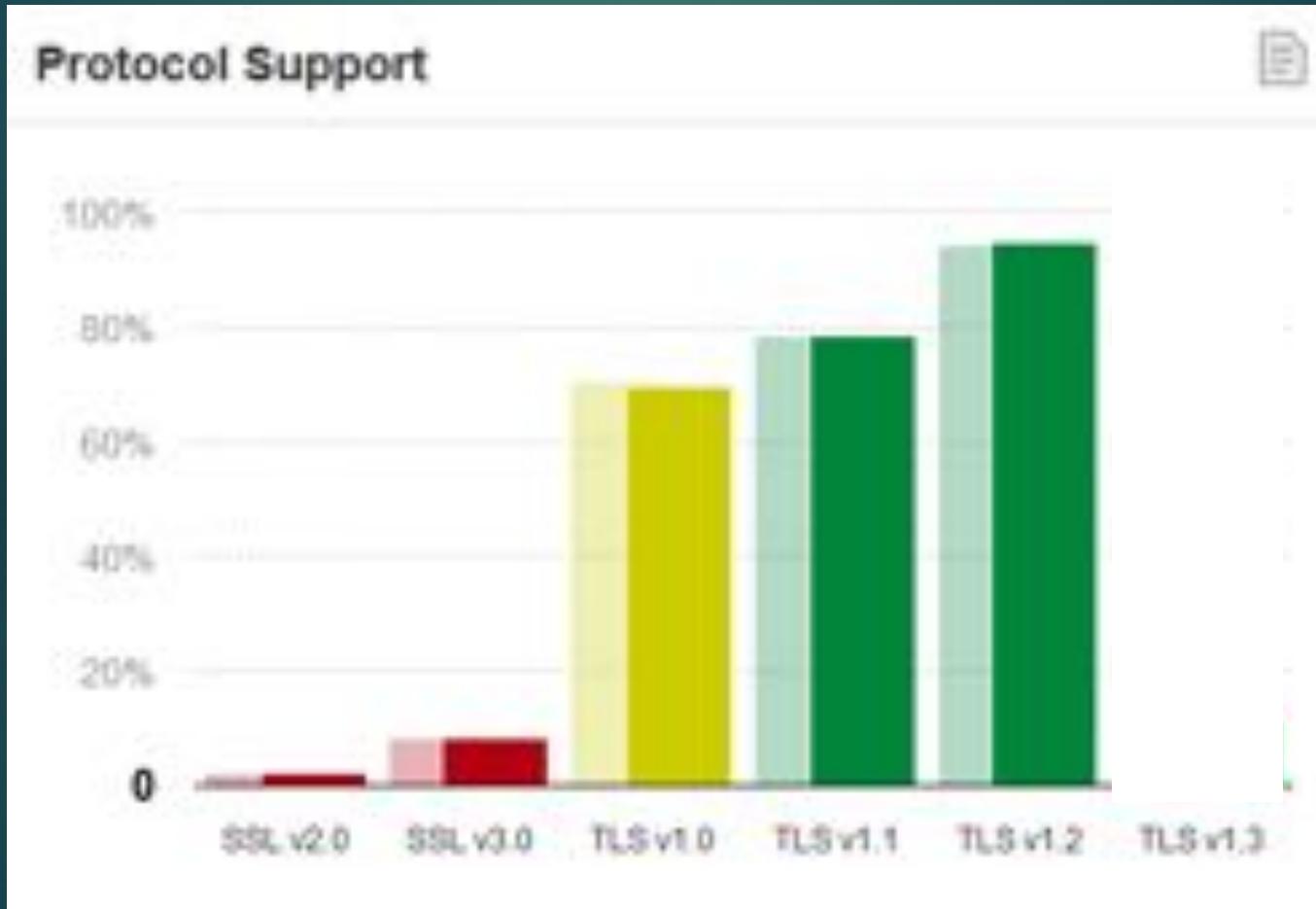
## TLS 1.3 ...

- ▶ **Mandates** strong crypto
- ▶ **Mandates** strong suites
- ▶ **Mandates** ephemeral KE
  - ▶ FS by default
- ▶ **Mandates** server auth.
- ▶ **1-RTT** by default
  - ▶ Possible **0-RTT**
- ▶ **Prevents** downgrade
- ▶ **Prevents** renegotiation

## TLS 1.2 ...

- ▶ Allows **weak** crypto
- ▶ Allows **weak** suites
- ▶ Allows **static** KE
  - ▶ FS by choice
- ▶ Allows **anon.** auth.
- ▶ **2-RTT** by default
- ▶ **Allows** downgrade
- ▶ **Allows** renegotiation

# Deployment status (after ~6 months)



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# Choose **security**, choose TLS 1.3.

List of libraries:

<https://github.com/tlswg/tls13-spec/wiki/Implementations>

OpenSSL, GnuTLS, etc.

any questions?