

Downgrade Resilience in Key Exchange

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Downgrade as an everyday phenomenon



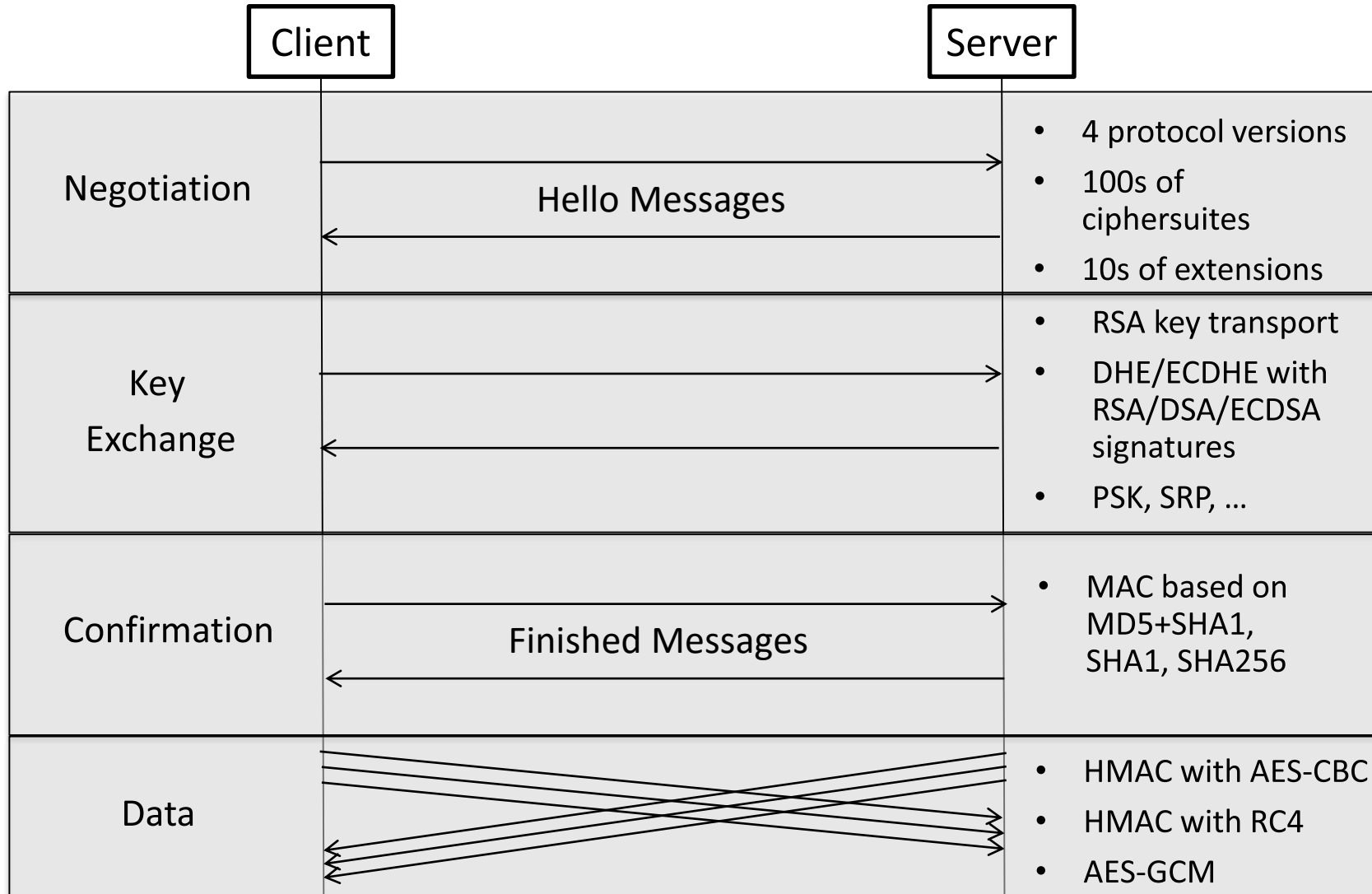
https://



http://



TLS protocol suite – not a single protocol



Crypto failures

MD5

RC4

RSA 512 bit

SHA1

SLOTH

DROWN

Protocol weaknesses

Renegotiation Attack

CRIME

ECDHE Cross-protocol Attack

Triple Handshake

Logjam

BEAST (Rogaway 02)

Lucky13

POODLE

FREAK

OpenSSL entropy

EarlyCCS

Heartbleed

SKIP

Implementation bugs

2007

2008

2009

2010

2011

2012

2013

2014

2015

2016

— POODLE




— LOGJAM



— SLOTH



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Negotiation

- Inputs:
 - $config_C$ & $config_S$: supported versions, ciphers, groups, long-term keys
- Outputs:
 - $mode$: negotiated version, cipher, group, etc.
- Ideal negotiation:
 - $mode = \text{Nego}(config_C, config_S)$

Transcript authentication vs. Downgrades

- ***Authentication***

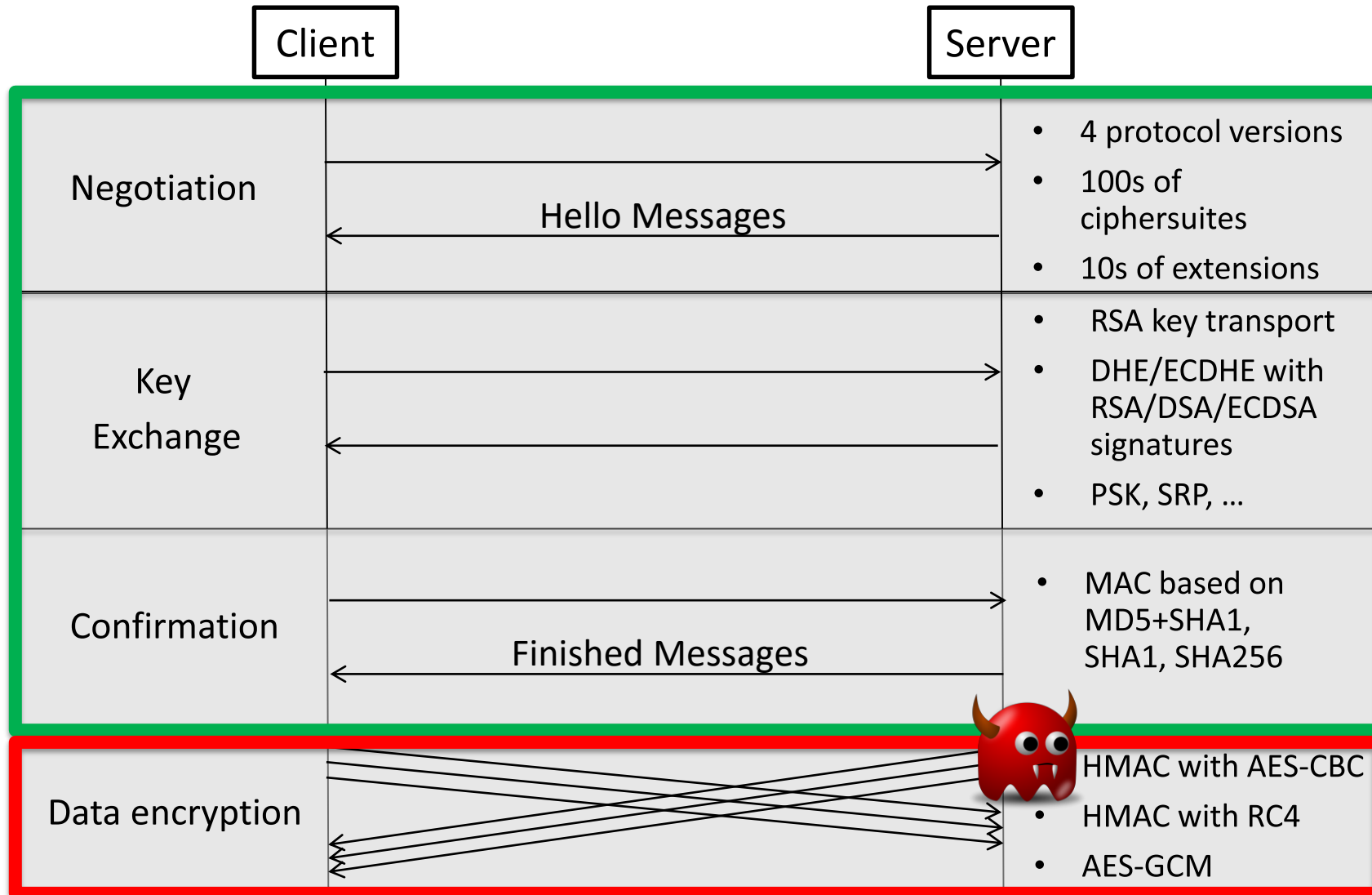
If my negotiated *mode* uses only strong algorithms,
then my partner and I agree on
keys, identities and mode.

- Authentication does not guarantee
negotiation of a strong mode.

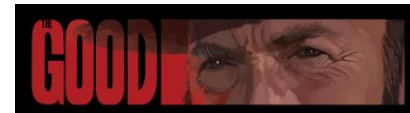
- **Intersection** of $config_C$ & $config_S$ must be strong!
- What if $config_C$ & $config_S$ include a legacy algorithm?
- What are minimal requirements on $config_C$ & $config_S$?



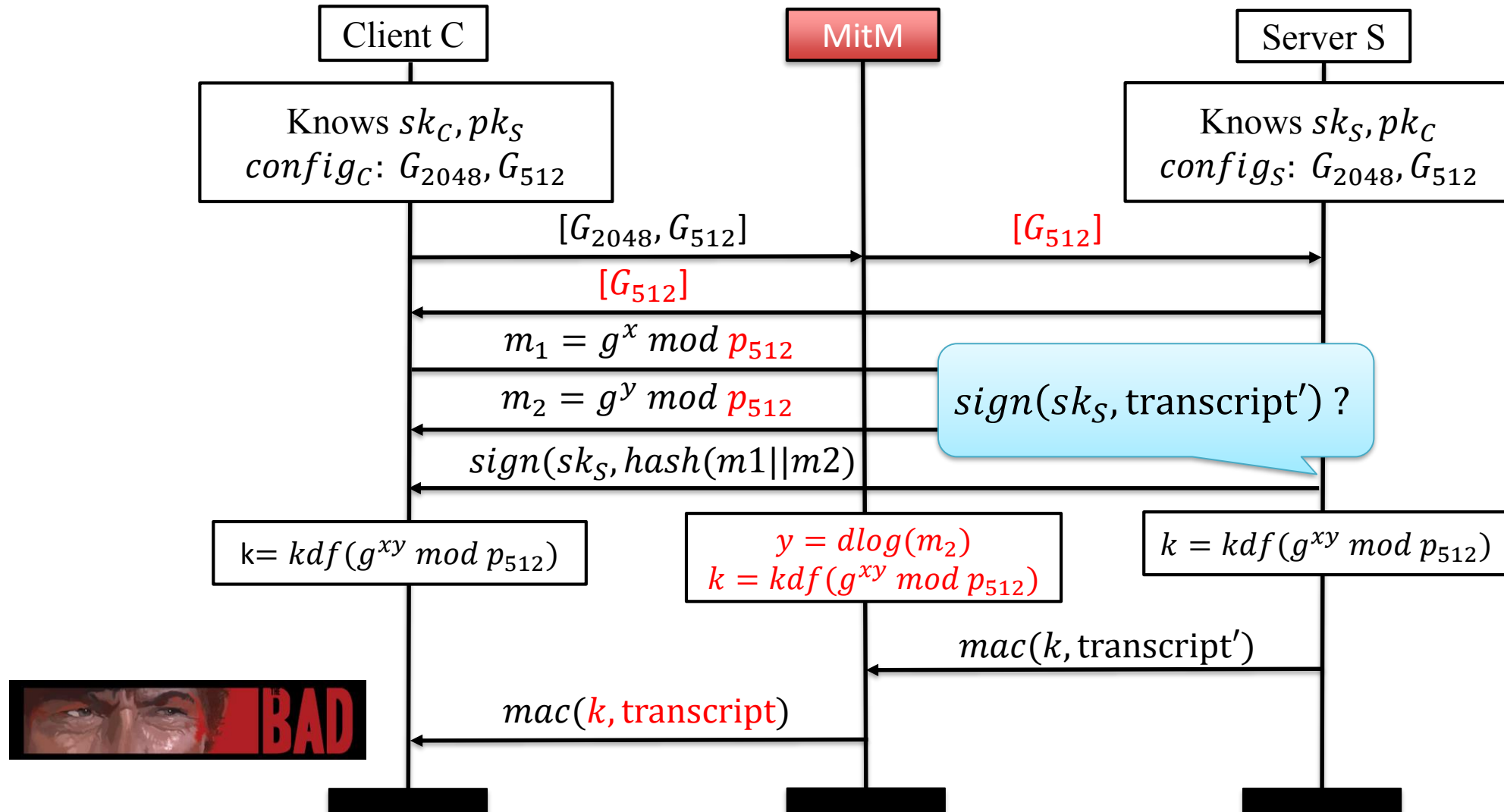
POODLE

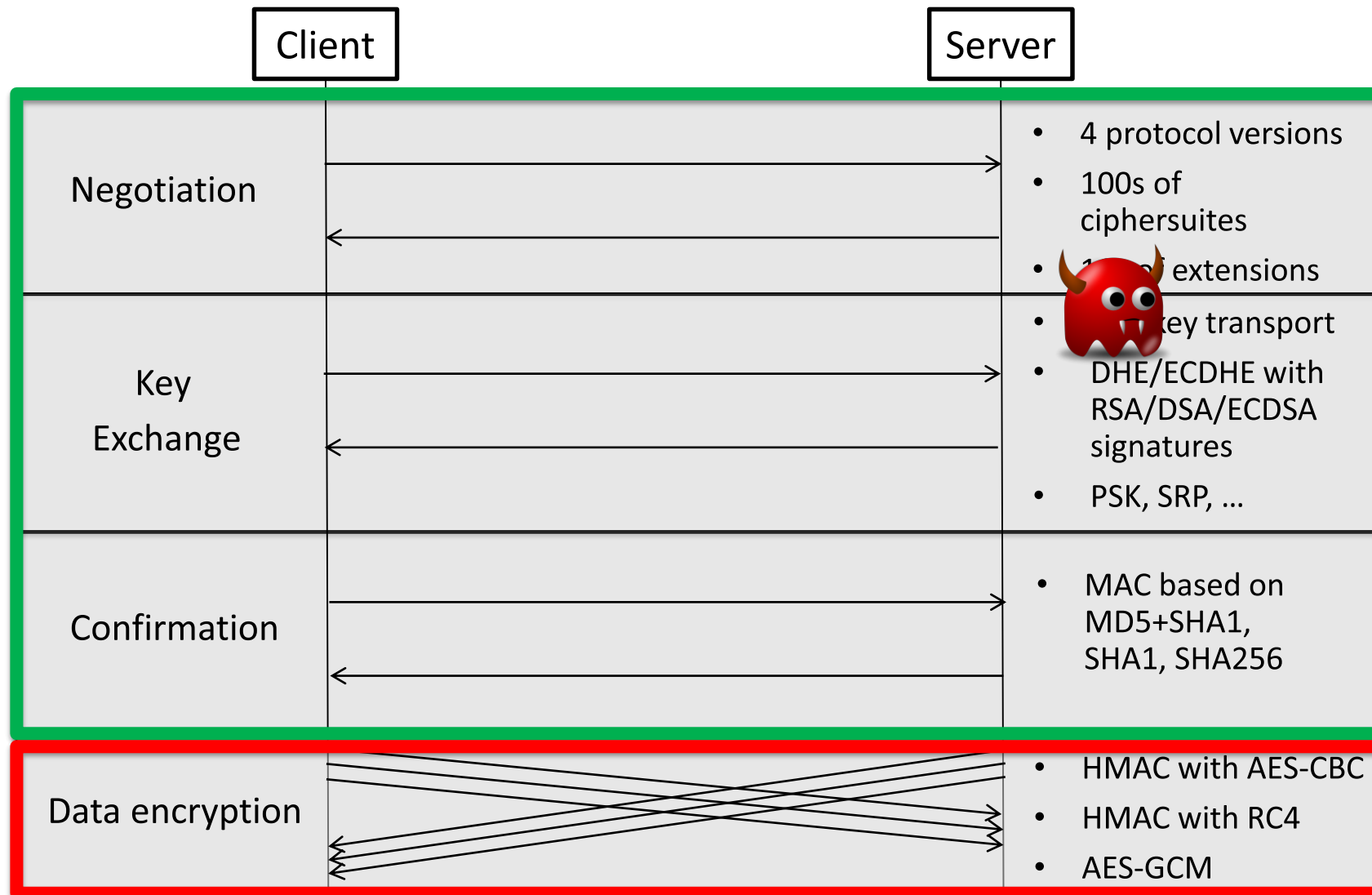


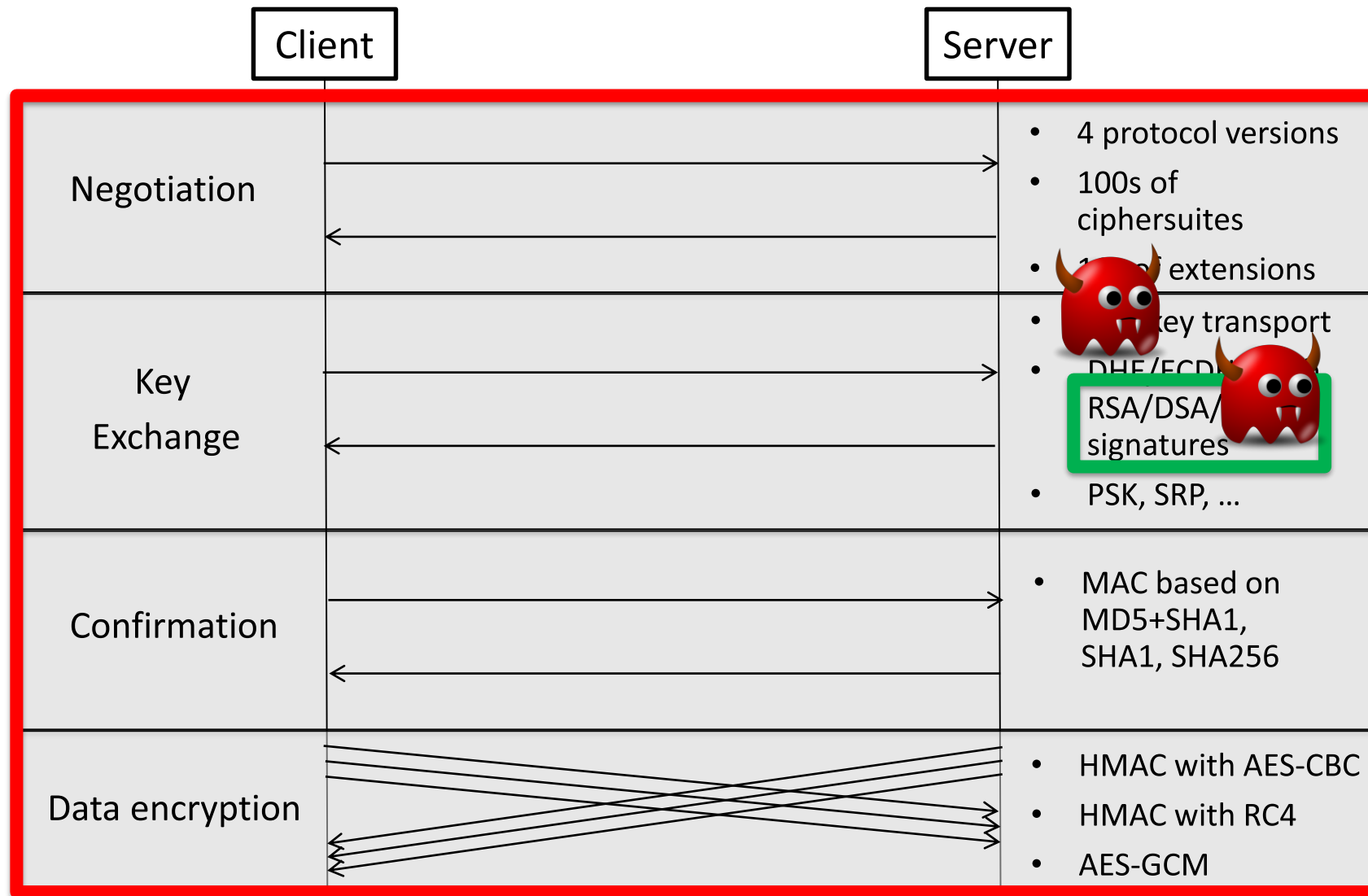
[Dowling and Stebila 2015]



LOGJAM







$$\text{md5}(m_1 \parallel m'_2) = \text{md5}(m'_1 \parallel m_2)$$



Downgrade secure configurations

- Downgrade protection (DP) only if
 - config_C requires good public keys and signatures scheme
 - config_S has preference for downgrade secure version
- Clients and servers interoperate with everyone; get desired mode **only** when $\text{DP}(\text{config}_C, \text{config}_S)$.

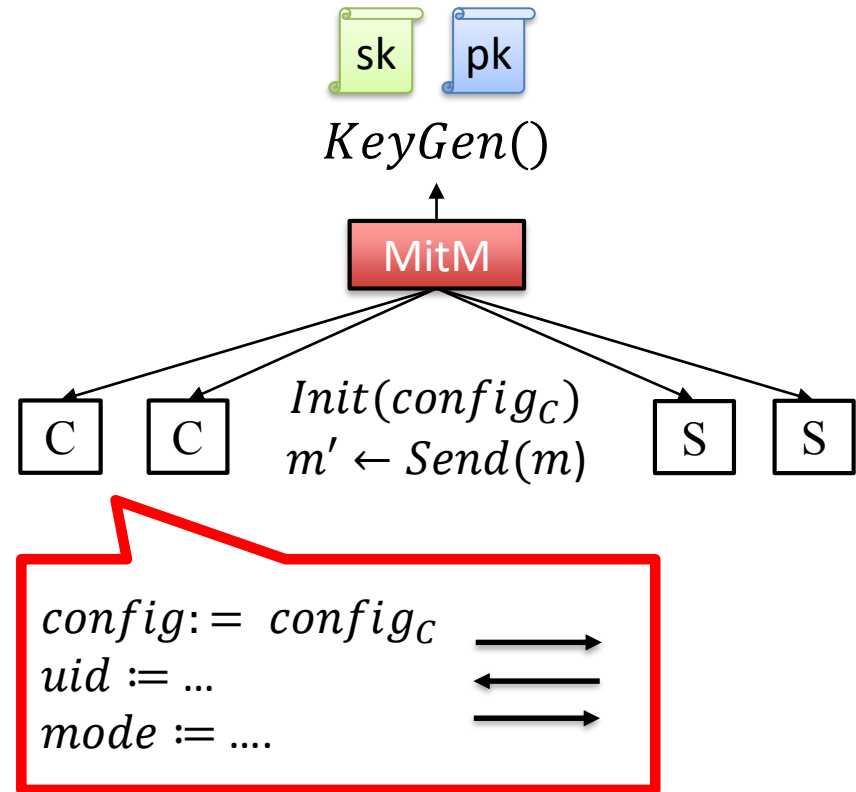
Protocol execution model

Adversary controls generation of keys and sessions

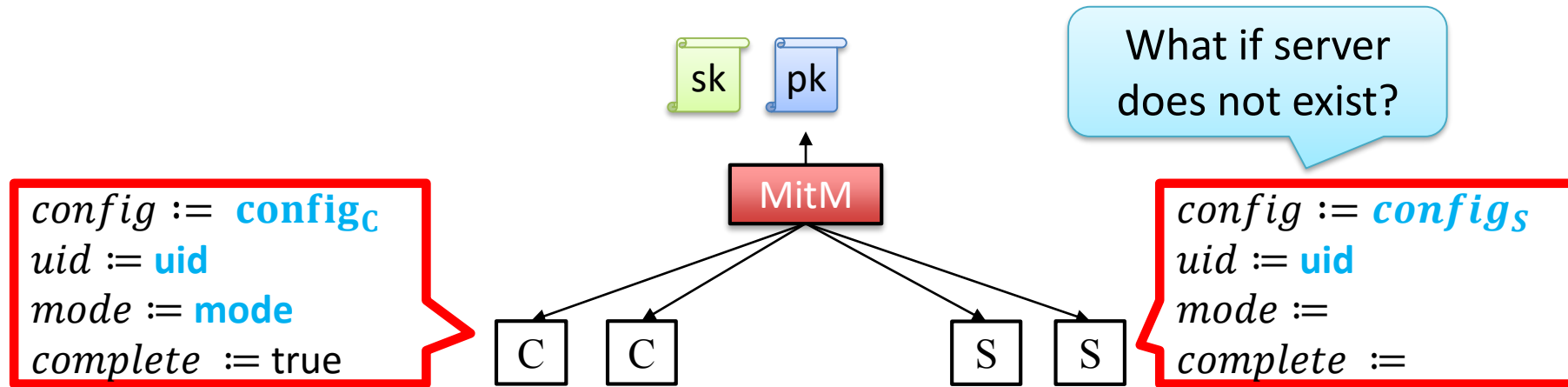
Configurations:

algorithms and keys supported by sessions

Sessions assign **variables**




Downgrade security



$DP(C.config, S.config)$ but

$mode \neq \text{Nego}(C.config, S.config)$

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Reducing complex real-world protocol analysis ...

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The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.3

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Abstract

This document specifies Version 1.3 of the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol. The TLS protocol allows client/server applications to communicate over the Internet in a way that is designed to prevent eavesdropping, tampering, and message forgery.

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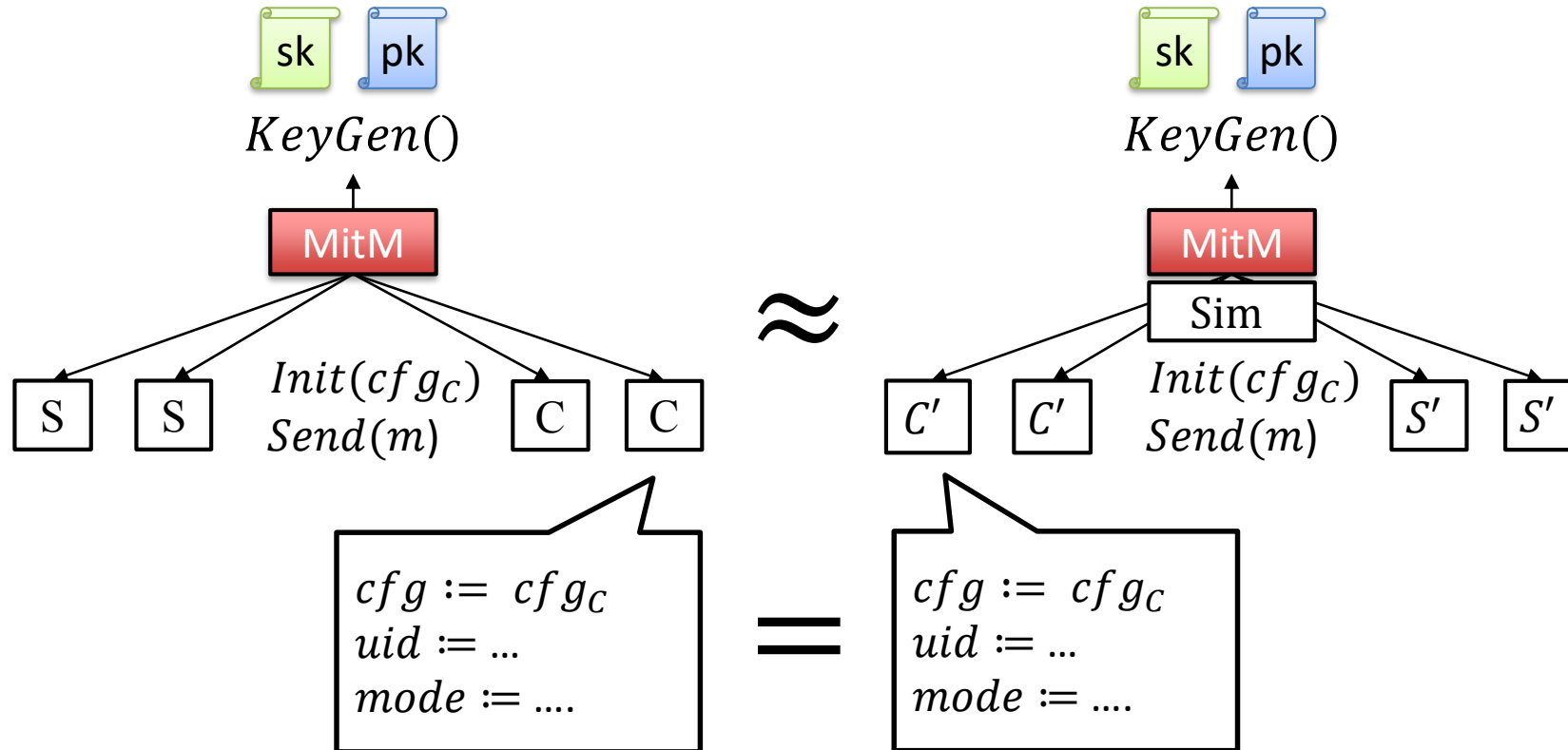
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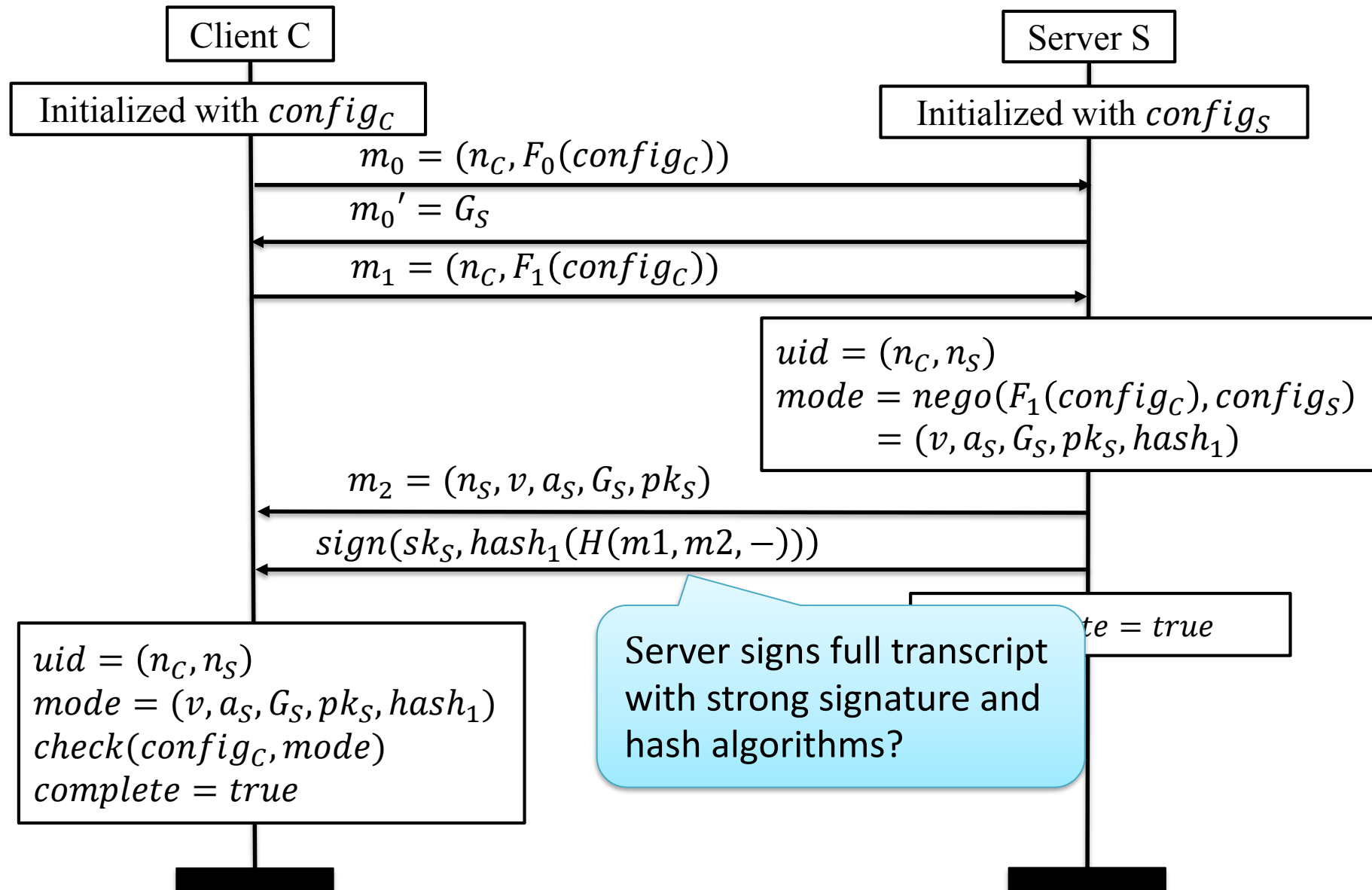
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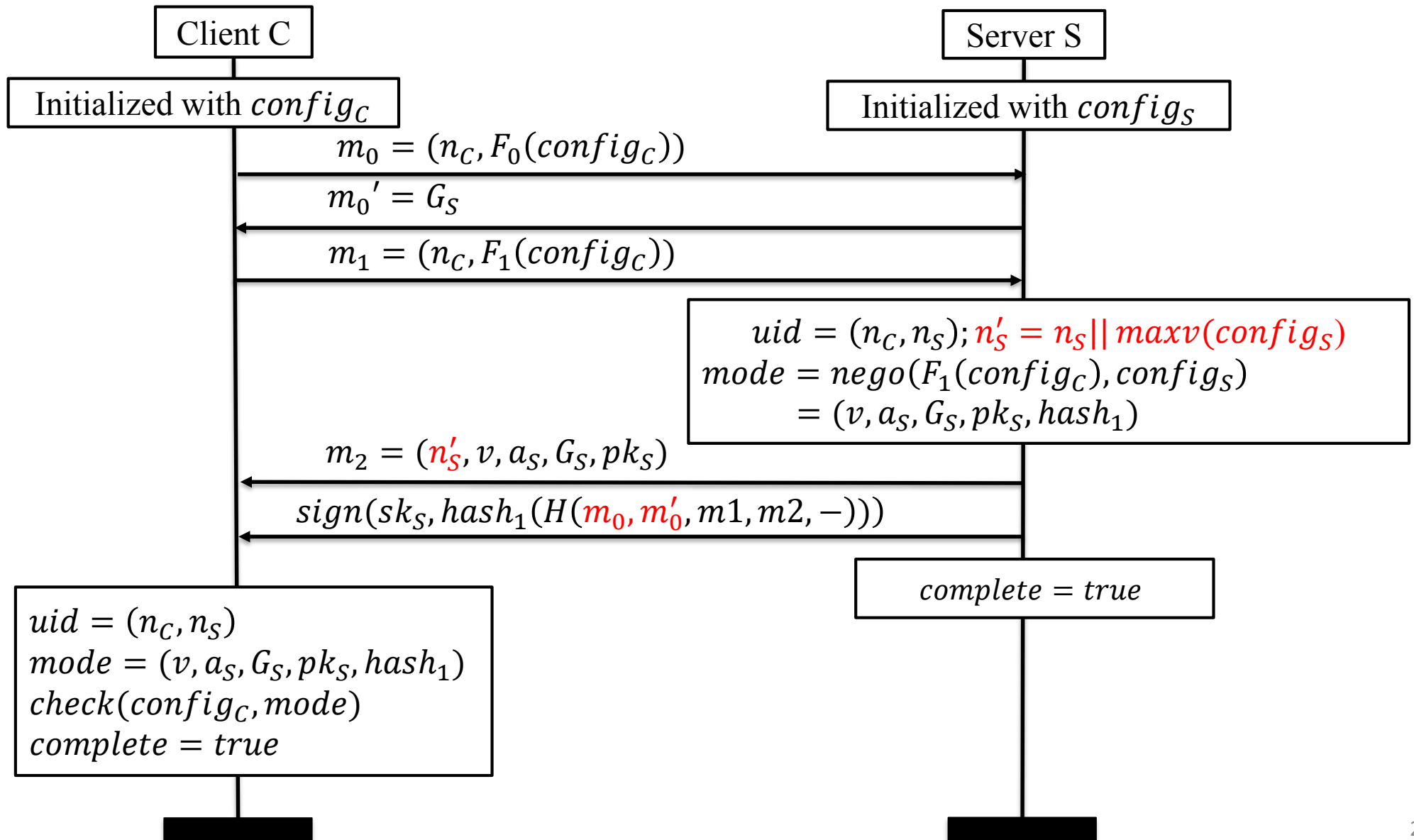
... using simulation ...



[Rogaway and Steger 2009]

... into analysis of downgrade sub-protocol (TLS 1.3)





Downgrade security of TLS 1.3

- Good news:
TLS 1.3 now has secure downgrade sub-protocol
 - **nonce and signatures**: unique server signs all network input to *nego* and result.
- What do we do about **version downgrade**?
 - Can an attacker downgrade TLS 1.3 to TLS 1.2 and remount Logjam?

Version downgrade resilience

- TLS 1.3 server signatures cover versions
But TLS 1.2 signatures **do not** cover the version
- How do we patch TLS 1.2 to prevent downgrades?
 - Finished messages cannot help
 - **Look away**: put max server version in server nonce
signed in all versions of TLS
- **Good news**: $DP(config_C, config_S)$ for TLS 1.0-1.3 if
 - countermeasure implemented
 - no RSA key transport

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