

# Proposed Protocol



## 1 Protocol description

	Cost
$A \rightarrow S :$	$\{B, K_A\}_{symkey(A,S)}$ 63
$S \rightarrow B :$	$\{K_A\}_{symkey(B,S)}$ 12
$B \rightarrow A :$	$\{A, N_B\}_{K_A}$ 63
$A \rightarrow B :$	$\{N_B\}_{pub(B)}$ 3
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Total cost:	141

## 2 Informal description

**Initial knowledge** Each agent  $A$  has a public key  $pub(A)$  and a symmetric key  $symkey(A, S)$ . The identity and the public key of each agent are known by every other agent. The symmetric key  $symkey(A, S)$  is known only to  $A$  and a trusted server  $S$ .

**Data generated during the protocol** When an agent in role  $A$  executes the protocol, he or she generates a fresh nonce (session key)  $K_A$ . Similarly, when an agent in role  $B$  executes the protocol, he or she generates a fresh nonce  $N_B$ .

**Protocol execution** We illustrate the execution of the protocol with two agents Alice and Bob. Alice assumes role  $A$  and generates a fresh session key  $K_A$ . She sends then  $\{B, K_A\}_{symkey(A,S)}$  to the server. The server, after receiving this message, sends to Bob the message  $\{K_A\}_{symkey(B,S)}$ . Bob then sends to Alice the message  $\{A, N_B\}_{K_A}$  to confirm that the key was the one Alice generated. Alice confirms by sending  $\{N_B\}_{pub(B)}$  to Bob.

### Security properties

- $K_A$  remains known only to the server, Alice, and Bob.
- After Alice finishes an execution of the protocol in role  $A$ , apparently with Bob in role  $B$ , then Bob was executing the protocol in role  $B$  and Alice and Bob agree on the value of  $K_A$ .