

Computer Networks

LECTURE 21

Security

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Chapter 8: Network Security

Goals:

- understand principles of network security:
 - cryptography and its *many* uses beyond “confidentiality”
 - authentication
 - message integrity
- security in practice:
 - firewalls and intrusion detection systems
 - security in application, transport, network, link layers

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An Example: Dyn and DDoS

- <http://dyn.com/ddos/>
- <https://www.wired.com/2016/10/internet-outage-ddos-dns-dyn/>

What is network security?

confidentiality: only sender, intended receiver should “understand” message contents

- sender encrypts message
- receiver decrypts message

authentication: sender, receiver want to confirm identity of each other

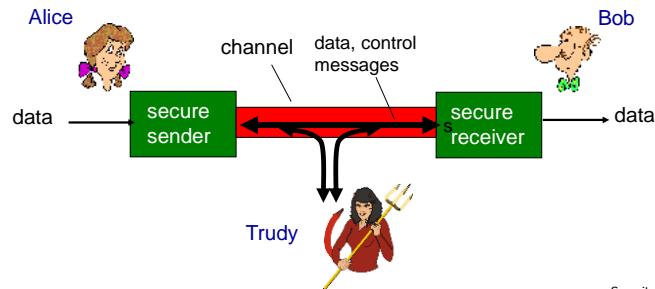
message integrity: sender, receiver want to ensure message not altered (in transit, or afterwards) without detection

access and availability: services must be accessible and available to users

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Alice, Bob, Trudy

- well-known in network security world
- Bob, Alice want to communicate “securely”
- Trudy may intercept, delete, add messages



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Who might Bob, Alice be?

- ... well, *real-life* Bobs and Alices!
- Web browser/server for electronic transactions (e.g., on-line purchases)
- on-line banking client/server
- DNS servers
- routers exchanging routing table updates
- other examples?

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What can Trudy do with the information?

- **eavesdrop**: intercept messages
- actively **insert** messages into connection
- **impersonation**: can fake (spoof) source address in packet (or any field in packet)
- **hijacking**: “take over” ongoing connection by removing sender or receiver, inserting himself in place
- **denial of service**: prevent service from being used by others (e.g., by overloading resources)

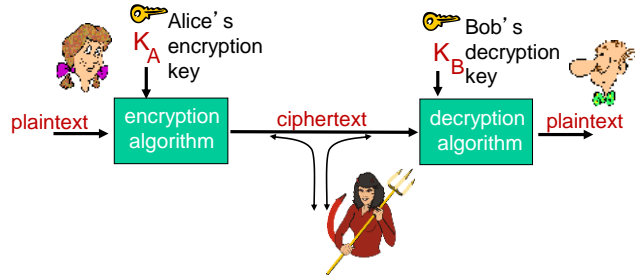
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The language of cryptography



m plaintext message
 $K_A(m)$ ciphertext, encrypted with key K_A
 $m = K_B(K_A(m))$

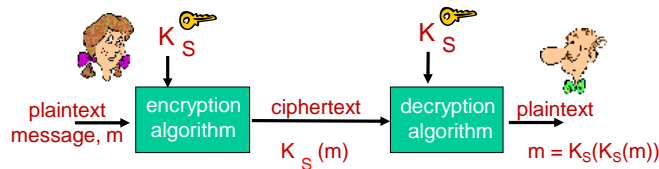
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Breaking an encryption scheme

- **cipher-text only attack:** Trudy has ciphertext she can analyze
- **two approaches:**
 - brute force: search through all keys
 - statistical analysis
- **known-plaintext attack:** Trudy has plaintext corresponding to ciphertext
 - e.g., in monoalphabetic cipher, Trudy determines pairings for a,l,i,c,e,b,o,
- **chosen-plaintext attack:** Trudy can get ciphertext for chosen plaintext

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Symmetric key cryptography



symmetric key crypto: Bob and Alice share same (symmetric) key: K_S

- e.g., key is knowing substitution pattern in mono alphabetic substitution cipher

Q: how do Bob and Alice agree on key value?

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Simple encryption scheme

substitution cipher: substituting one thing for another

- monoalphabetic cipher: substitute one letter for another

plaintext:	abcdefghijklmnopqrstu	v	w	x	y	z
	↓					↓
ciphertext:	mnbvcxz	asdfghjkl	pouiytr	ewq		

e.g.: Plaintext: bob. i love you. alice
 ciphertext: nkn. s gktc wky. mgsbc

🔑 **Encryption key:** mapping from set of 26 letters to set of 26 letters

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A more sophisticated encryption approach

- n substitution ciphers, M_1, M_2, \dots, M_n
 - cycling pattern:
 - e.g., $n=4$: M_1, M_3, M_4, M_3, M_2 ; $M_1, M_3, M_4, M_3, M_2; \dots$
 - for each new plaintext symbol, use subsequent substitution pattern in cyclic pattern
 - dog: d from M_1 , o from M_3 , g from M_4
- Encryption key:** n substitution ciphers, and cyclic pattern
- key need not be just n-bit pattern



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Symmetric key crypto: DES

DES: Data Encryption Standard

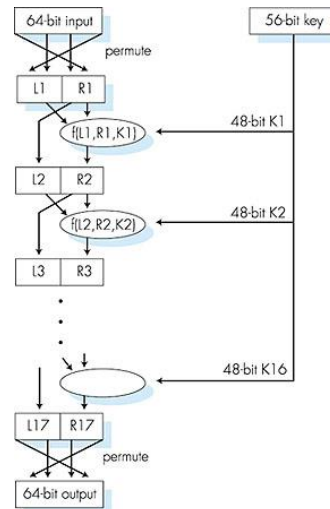
- US encryption standard [NIST 1993]
- 56-bit symmetric key, 64-bit plaintext input
- block cipher with cipher block chaining
- how secure is DES?
 - DES Challenge: 56-bit-key-encrypted phrase decrypted (brute force) in less than a day
 - no known good analytic attack
- making DES more secure:
 - 3DES: encrypt 3 times with 3 different keys

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Symmetric key crypto: DES

DES operation

initial permutation
 16 identical "rounds" of function application, each using different 48 bits of key
 final permutation



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AES: Advanced Encryption Standard

- symmetric-key NIST standard, replaced DES (Nov 2001)
- processes data in 128 bit blocks
- 128, 192, or 256 bit keys
- brute force decryption (try each key) taking 1 day on DES, takes 149 trillion years for AES

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Public Key Cryptography

symmetric key crypto

- requires sender, receiver know shared secret key
- Q: how to agree on key in first place (particularly if never "met")?

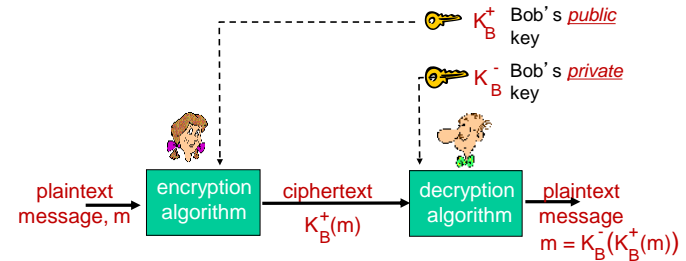
public key crypto

- radically different approach [Diffie-Hellman76, RSA78]
- sender, receiver do *not* share secret key
- public* encryption key known to *all*
- private* decryption key known only to receiver



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Public key cryptography



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Public key encryption algorithms

requirements:

- need $K_B^+(\cdot)$ and $K_B^-(\cdot)$ such that

$$K_B^-(K_B^+(m)) = m$$

- given public key K_B^+ it should be impossible to compute private key K_B^-

RSA: Rivest, Shamir, Adelson algorithm

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Prerequisite: modular arithmetic

- $x \bmod n$ = remainder of x when divide by n

- facts:

$$[(a \bmod n) + (b \bmod n)] \bmod n = (a+b) \bmod n$$

$$[(a \bmod n) - (b \bmod n)] \bmod n = (a-b) \bmod n$$

$$[(a \bmod n) * (b \bmod n)] \bmod n = (a*b) \bmod n$$

- thus

$$(a \bmod n)^d \bmod n = a^d \bmod n$$

- example: $x=14, n=10, d=2$:

$$(x \bmod n)^d \bmod n = 4^2 \bmod 10 = 6$$

$$x^d = 14^2 = 196 \quad x^d \bmod 10 = 6$$

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RSA: getting ready

- message: just a bit pattern
- bit pattern can be uniquely represented by an integer number
- thus, encrypting a message is equivalent to encrypting a number

example:

- $m = 10010001$. This message is uniquely represented by the decimal number 145.
- to encrypt m , we encrypt the corresponding number, which gives a new number (the ciphertext).

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RSA: Creating public/private key pair

1. choose two large prime numbers p, q .
(e.g., 1024 bits each)
 2. compute $n = pq$, $z = (p-1)(q-1)$
 3. choose e (with $e < n$) that has no common factors with z (e, z are “relatively prime”).
 4. choose d such that $ed-1$ is exactly divisible by z .
(in other words: $ed \bmod z = 1$).
 5. public key is (n, e) . private key is (n, d) .
- $\underbrace{(n, e)}_{K_B^+}$ $\underbrace{(n, d)}_{K_B^-}$

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RSA: encryption, decryption

0. given (n, e) and (n, d) as computed above
1. to encrypt message m ($< n$), compute
 $c = m^e \bmod n$
2. to decrypt received bit pattern, c , compute
 $m = c^d \bmod n$

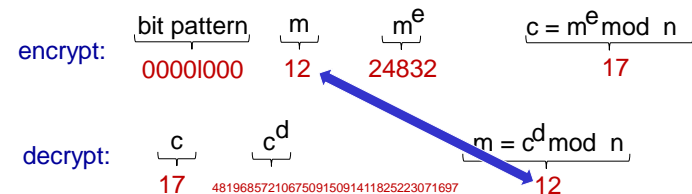
magic happens! $m = (\underbrace{m^e \bmod n}_c)^d \bmod n$

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RSA example:

Bob chooses $p=5, q=7$. Then $n=35, z=24$.
 $e=5$ (so e, z relatively prime).
 $d=29$ (so $ed-1$ exactly divisible by z).

encrypting 8-bit messages.



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Why does RSA work?

- must show that $c^d \bmod n = m$
where $c = m^e \bmod n$
- fact: for any x and y : $x^y \bmod n = x^{(y \bmod z)} \bmod n$
 - where $n = pq$ and $z = (p-1)(q-1)$
- thus,

$$\begin{aligned} c^d \bmod n &= (m^e \bmod n)^d \bmod n \\ &= m^{ed} \bmod n \\ &= m^{(ed \bmod z)} \bmod n \\ &= m^1 \bmod n \\ &= m \end{aligned}$$

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RSA: another important property

The following property will be *very* useful later:

$$\underbrace{K_B^-(K_B^+(m))}_{\text{use public key first, followed by private key}} = m = \underbrace{K_B^+(K_B^-(m))}_{\text{use private key first, followed by public key}}$$

use public key first,
followed by
private key

use private key
first, followed by
public key

result is the same!

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Why $K_B^-(K_B^+(m)) = m = K_B^+(K_B^-(m))$?

follows directly from modular arithmetic:

$$\begin{aligned} (m^e \bmod n)^d \bmod n &= m^{ed} \bmod n \\ &= m^{de} \bmod n \\ &= (m^d \bmod n)^e \bmod n \end{aligned}$$

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Why is RSA secure?

- suppose you know Bob's public key (n, e) . How hard is it to determine d ?
- essentially need to find factors of n without knowing the two factors p and q
 - fact: factoring a big number is hard

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RSA in practice: session keys

- exponentiation in RSA is computationally intensive
- DES is at least 100 times faster than RSA
- use public key crypto to establish secure connection, then establish second key – symmetric session key – for encrypting data

session key, K_S

- Bob and Alice use RSA to exchange a symmetric key K_S
- once both have K_S , they use symmetric key cryptography

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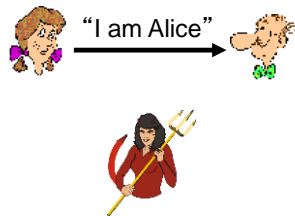
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Authentication

Goal: Bob wants Alice to “prove” her identity to him

Protocol ap1.0: Alice says “I am Alice”



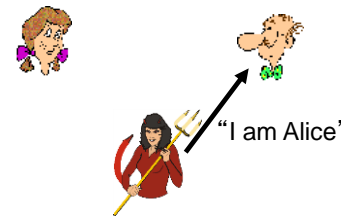
Failure scenario??

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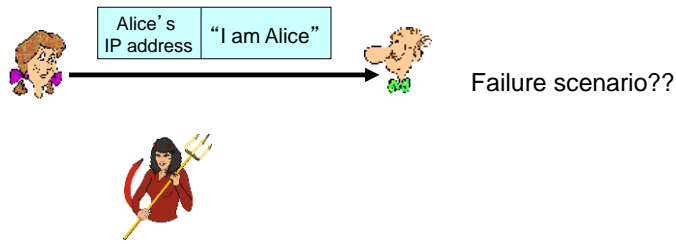


in a network,
Bob can not “see” Alice,
so Trudy simply declares
herself to be Alice

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Authentication: another try

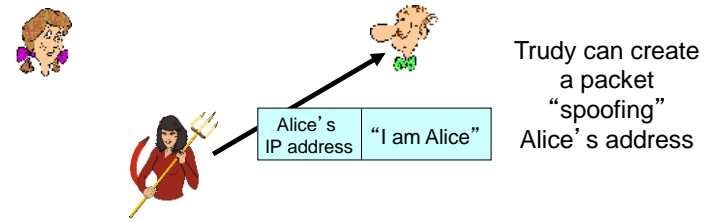
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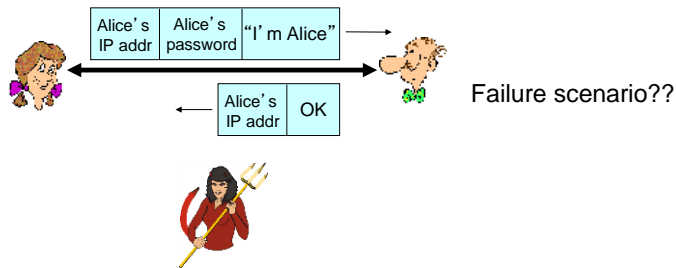
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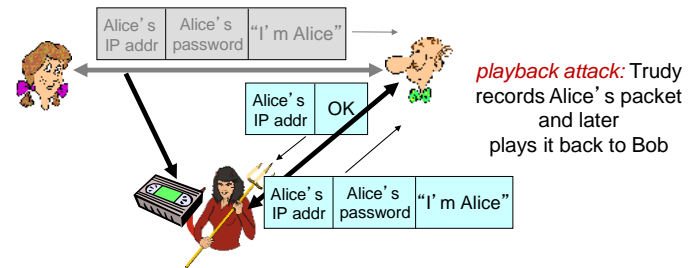
Protocol ap3.0: Alice says "I am Alice" and sends her secret password to "prove" it.



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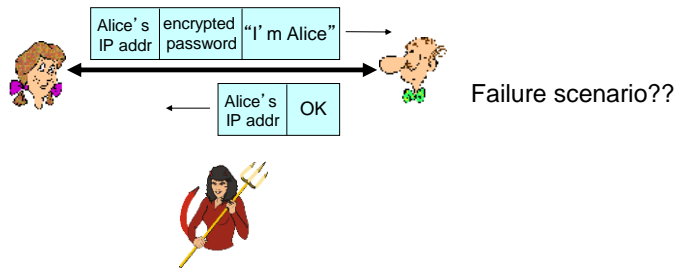
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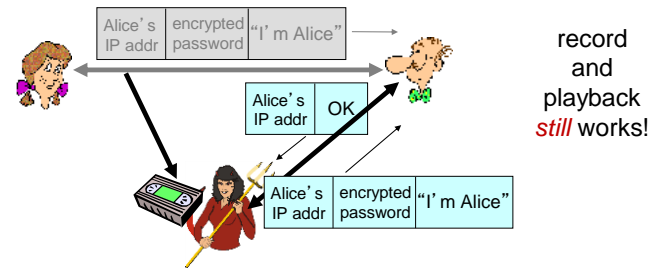
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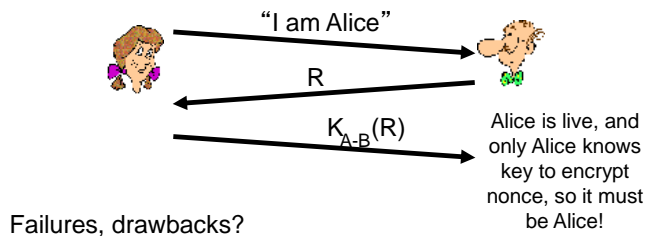
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Authentication: yet another try

Goal: avoid playback attack

nonce: number (R) used only *once-in-a-lifetime*

ap4.0: to prove Alice "live", Bob sends Alice *nonce*, R. Alice must return R, encrypted with shared secret key



Failures, drawbacks?

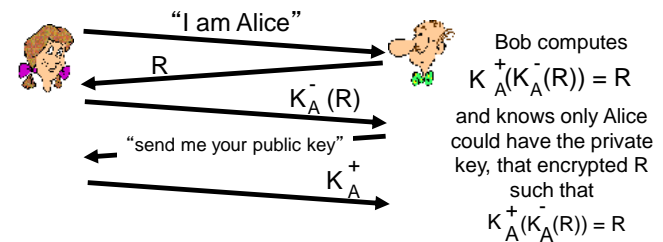
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Authentication: ap5.0

ap4.0 requires shared symmetric key

can we authenticate using public key techniques?

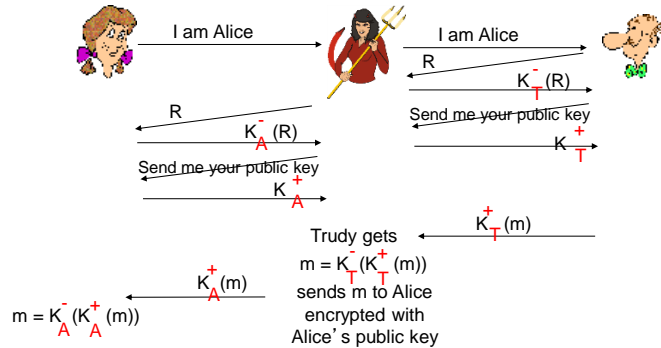
ap5.0: use nonce, public key cryptography



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ap5.0: security hole

man (or woman) in the middle attack: Trudy poses as Alice (to Bob) and as Bob (to Alice)



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difficult to detect:

- Bob receives everything that Alice sends, and vice versa. (e.g., so Bob, Alice can meet one week later and recall conversation!)
- problem is that Trudy receives all messages as well!

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Digital signatures

cryptographic technique analogous to hand-written signatures:

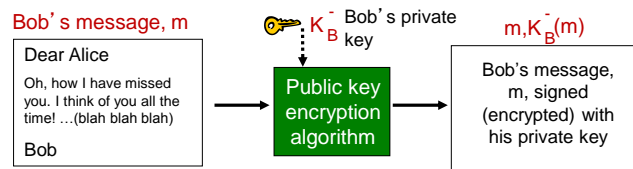
- sender (Bob) digitally signs document, establishing he is document owner/creator.
- verifiable, nonforgeable*: recipient (Alice) can prove to someone that Bob, and no one else (including Alice), must have signed document

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Digital signatures

simple digital signature for message m :

- Bob signs m by encrypting with his private key K_B^- , creating "signed" message, $K_B^-(m)$



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Digital signatures

- suppose Alice receives msg m , with signature: $m, K_B^-(m)$
- Alice verifies m signed by Bob by applying Bob's public key K_B^+ to $K_B^-(m)$ then checks $K_B^+(K_B^-(m)) = m$.
- If $K_B^+(K_B^-(m)) = m$, whoever signed m must have used Bob's private key.

Alice thus verifies that:

- Bob signed m
- no one else signed m
- Bob signed m and not m'

non-repudiation:

- ✓ Alice can take m , and signature $K_B^-(m)$ to court and prove that Bob signed m

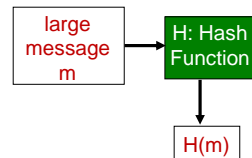
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Message digests

computationally expensive to public-key-encrypt long messages

goal: fixed-length, easy-to-compute digital "fingerprint"

- apply hash function H to m , get fixed size message digest, $H(m)$.



Hash function properties:

- many-to-1
- produces fixed-size msg digest (fingerprint)
- given message digest x , computationally infeasible to find m such that $x = H(m)$

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Internet checksum: poor crypto hash function

Internet checksum has some properties of hash function:

- produces fixed length digest (16-bit sum) of message
- is many-to-one

But given message with given hash value, it is easy to find another message with same hash value:

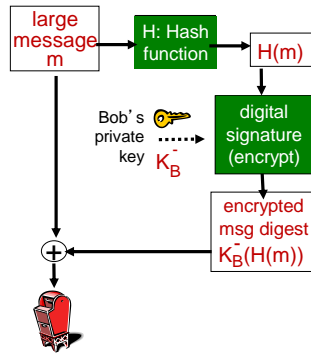
message	ASCII format	message	ASCII format
I O U 1	49 4F 55 31	I O U 9	49 4F 55 39
0 0 . 9	30 30 2E 39	0 0 . 1	30 30 2E 31
9 B O B	39 42 D2 42	9 B O B	39 42 D2 42
	B2 C1 D2 AC		B2 C1 D2 AC

different messages but identical checksums!

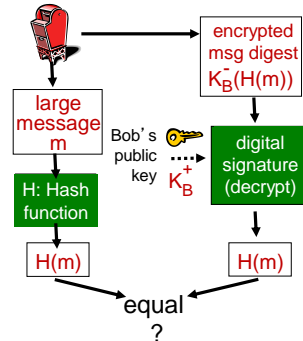
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Digital signature = signed message digest

Bob sends digitally signed message:



Alice verifies signature, integrity of digitally signed message:



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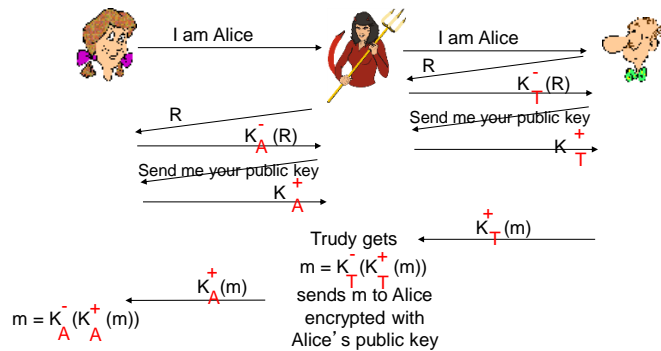
Hash function algorithms

- MD5 hash function widely used (RFC 1321)
 - computes 128-bit message digest in 4-step process.
 - arbitrary 128-bit string x , appears difficult to construct msg m whose MD5 hash is equal to x
- SHA-1 is also used
 - US standard [NIST, FIPS PUB 180-1]
 - 160-bit message digest

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Recall: ap5.0 security hole

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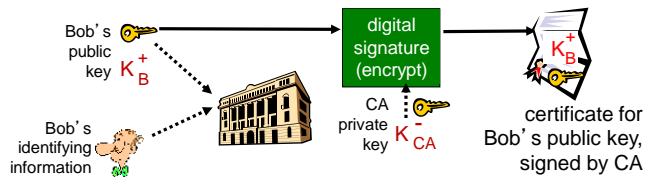
Public-key certification

- motivation: Trudy plays pizza prank on Bob
 - Trudy creates e-mail order: *Dear Pizza Store, Please deliver to me four pepperoni pizzas. Thank you, Bob*
 - Trudy signs order with her private key
 - Trudy sends order to Pizza Store
 - Trudy sends to Pizza Store her public key, but says it's Bob's public key
 - Pizza Store verifies signature; then delivers four pepperoni pizzas to Bob
 - Bob doesn't even like pepperoni

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Certification authorities

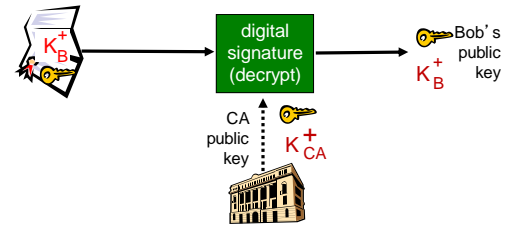
- **certification authority (CA):** binds public key to particular entity, E.
- E (person, router) registers its public key with CA.
 - E provides “proof of identity” to CA.
 - CA creates certificate binding E to its public key.
 - certificate containing E’s public key digitally signed by CA – CA says “this is E’s public key”



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Certification authorities

- when Alice wants Bob’s public key:
 - gets Bob’s certificate (Bob or elsewhere).
 - apply CA’s public key to Bob’s certificate, get Bob’s public key



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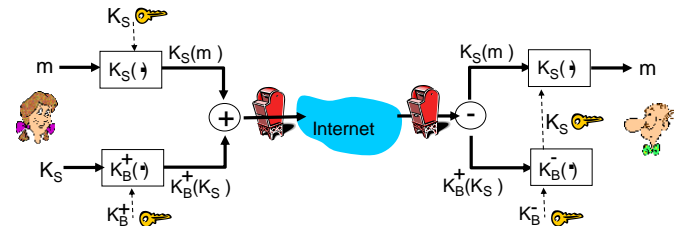
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Secure e-mail

Alice wants to send confidential e-mail, m , to Bob.



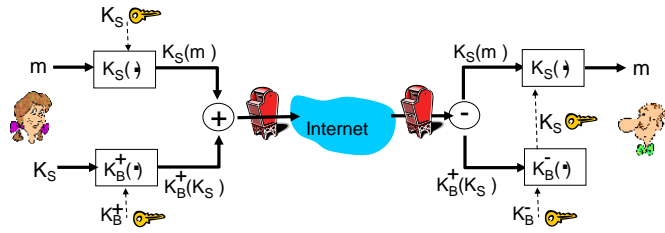
Alice:

- generates random *symmetric* private key, K_S
- encrypts message with K_S (for efficiency)
- also encrypts K_S with Bob’s public key
- sends both $K_S(m)$ and $K_B(K_S)$ to Bob

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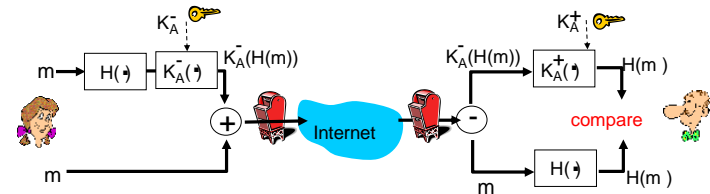
Bob:

- uses his private key to decrypt and recover K_S
- uses K_S to decrypt $K_S(m)$ to recover m

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Secure e-mail (continued)

Alice wants to provide sender authentication message integrity

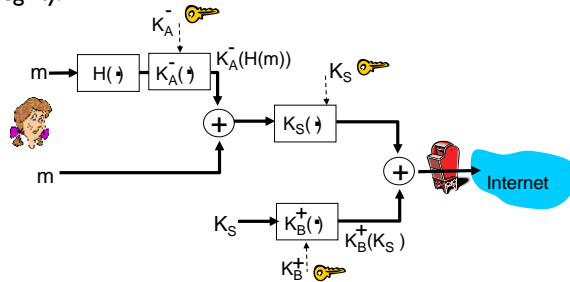


- Alice digitally signs message
- sends both message (in the clear) and digital signature

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Secure e-mail (continued)

Alice wants to provide secrecy, sender authentication, message integrity.



Alice uses three keys: her private key, Bob's public key, newly created symmetric key

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