

- To encrypt message M compute
 - $c = m^e \text{ mod } n$
- To decrypt ciphertext c compute
 - $m = c^d \text{ mod } n$
- Parameters to decide
 - e, d, n

- Let p and q be two large prime numbers
- Let n = pq
- Compute $\phi(n) = \phi(p)\phi(q) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$, where ϕ is Euler's totient function. This value is kept private.

- Choose an integer e such that $1 < e < \phi(n)$ and $\gcd(e, \phi(n)) = 1$; i.e., e and $\phi(n)$ are coprime.
 - e is released as the encryption key.
- Determine d as $d \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(n)}$; or solve for d given $d \cdot e \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$
 - d is the decryption key
- (e, d) is the RSA key pair

- Select primes $p=11, q=3$
- $n = p * q = 11 * 3 = 33$
- Compute $\phi(33) = \phi(11)\phi(3) = (11-1)*(3-1)=20$
- Choose $e = 3$

- Compute d such that

$$e * d \bmod \phi(n) = 1$$

$$3 * d \bmod 20 = 1$$

$$d = 7$$

Public key = (n, e) = (33, 3)

Private key = (d) = (7)

- Now say we want to encrypt message $m = 5$
- $c = m^e \text{ mod } n = 5^3 \text{ mod } 33 = 125 \text{ mod } 33 = 26$
 - Hence the ciphertext $c = 26$
- To check decryption, we compute
$$m = c^d \text{ mod } n = 26^7 \text{ mod } 33 = 5$$

Lecture 10

Digital Signatures

CS 450/650



Fundamentals of
Integrated Computer Security

- A customer (Bob) made an online order from a seller (Alice) for a clothes which is under “no return” policy
- Bob does not like the clothes and claims that he has never made such order before
- How to address this dispute?

- A digital signature can be interpreted as indicating the signer's agreement with the contents of an electronic document
 - Similar to handwritten signatures on physical documents, but in digital format

- A digital signature is a mathematical scheme for demonstrating the authenticity of a digital message or documents.
- A valid digital signature gives a recipient reason to believe that the message was created by a known sender, that
 - **the sender cannot deny having sent the message, and**
 - **the message was not altered in transit.**

- **Unforgeable:** Only the signer can produce his/her signature
- **Non-Alterable:** A signed document cannot be altered without invalidating the signature
- **Non-Reusable:** A signature from one document cannot be moved to another document

- Signatures can be validated by other users
 - the signer cannot reasonably claim that he/she did not sign a document bearing his/her signature

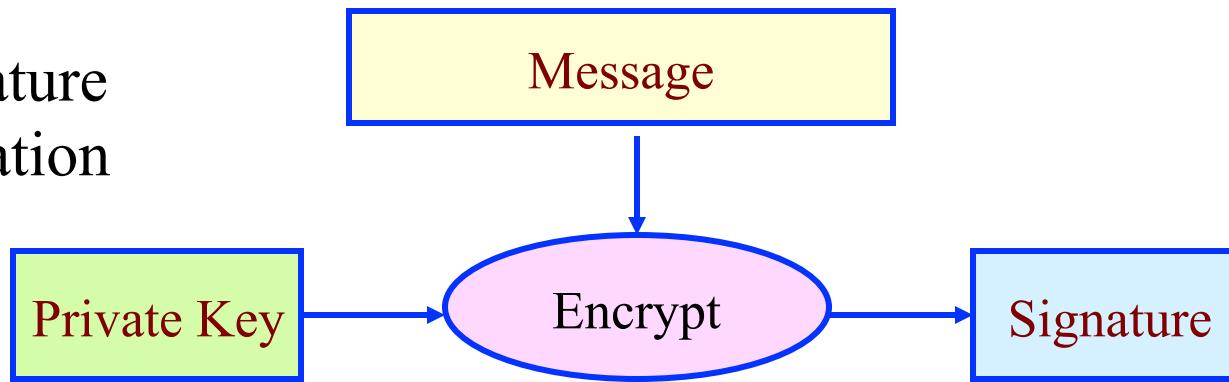
- The RSA public-key cryptosystem can be used to create a digital signature for a message m
 - Asymmetric Cryptographic techniques are well suited for creating digital signatures
- RSA cryptosystem
 - $c = M^e \text{ mod } n$
 - $M = c^d \text{ mod } n$

Digital Signature Entities

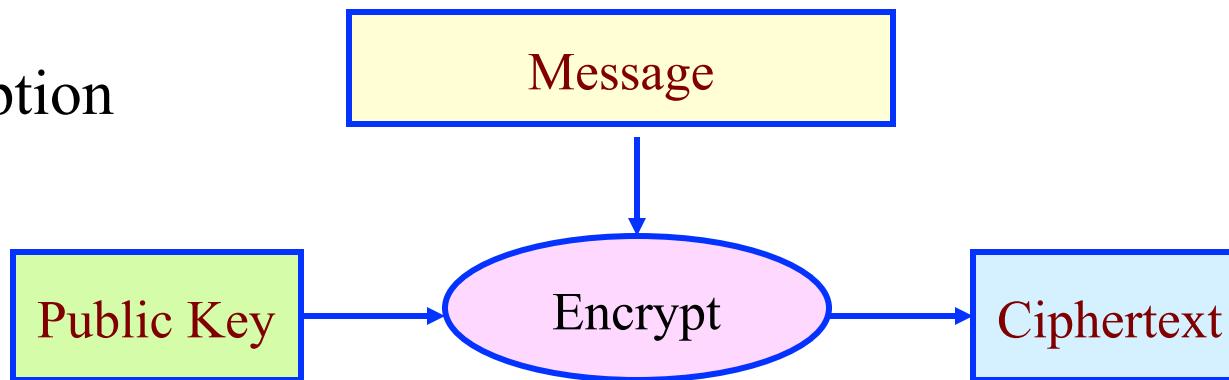


Signature Generation (Signer)

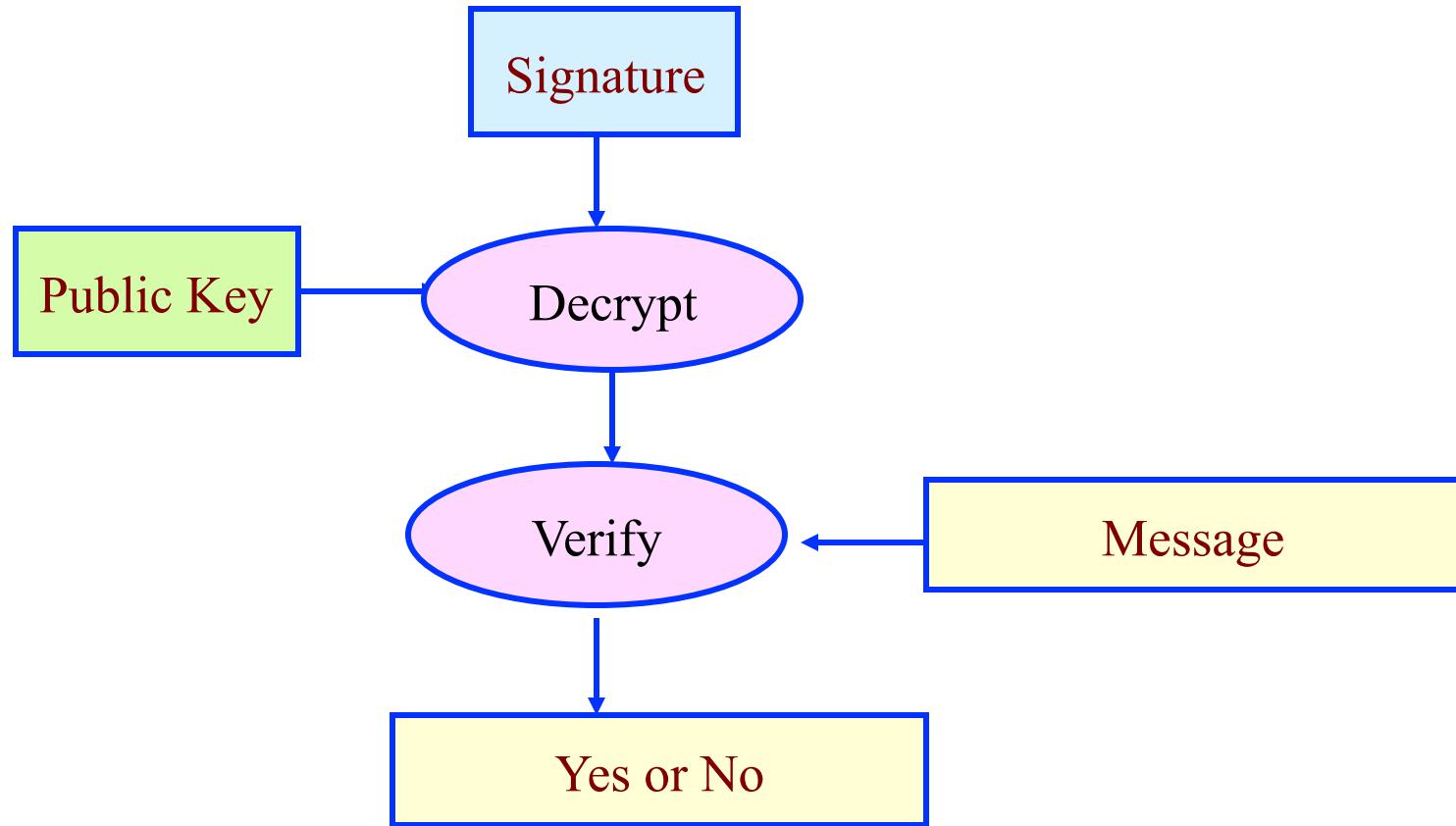
- Signature generation



- Data encryption



Signature Verification



- Generate signature S
 - $e = 53$ (encryption key, or signing key, **private!**)
 - $d = 413$ (decryption key, **public!**)
 - $n = 629$
 - $m = 250$ (message)
- $S = (m)^e \bmod n$
 - $S = 250^{53} \bmod 629 = 411$

- Verify signature with message recovery
 - Public key (d) = 413
 - n = 629
 - S = 411
- $m' = S^d \bmod n$
 - $m' = 411^{413} \bmod 629 = 250$
- Verifier checks if $m' = m$
 - If yes, then S is a valid signature over m

Creating a forged signature

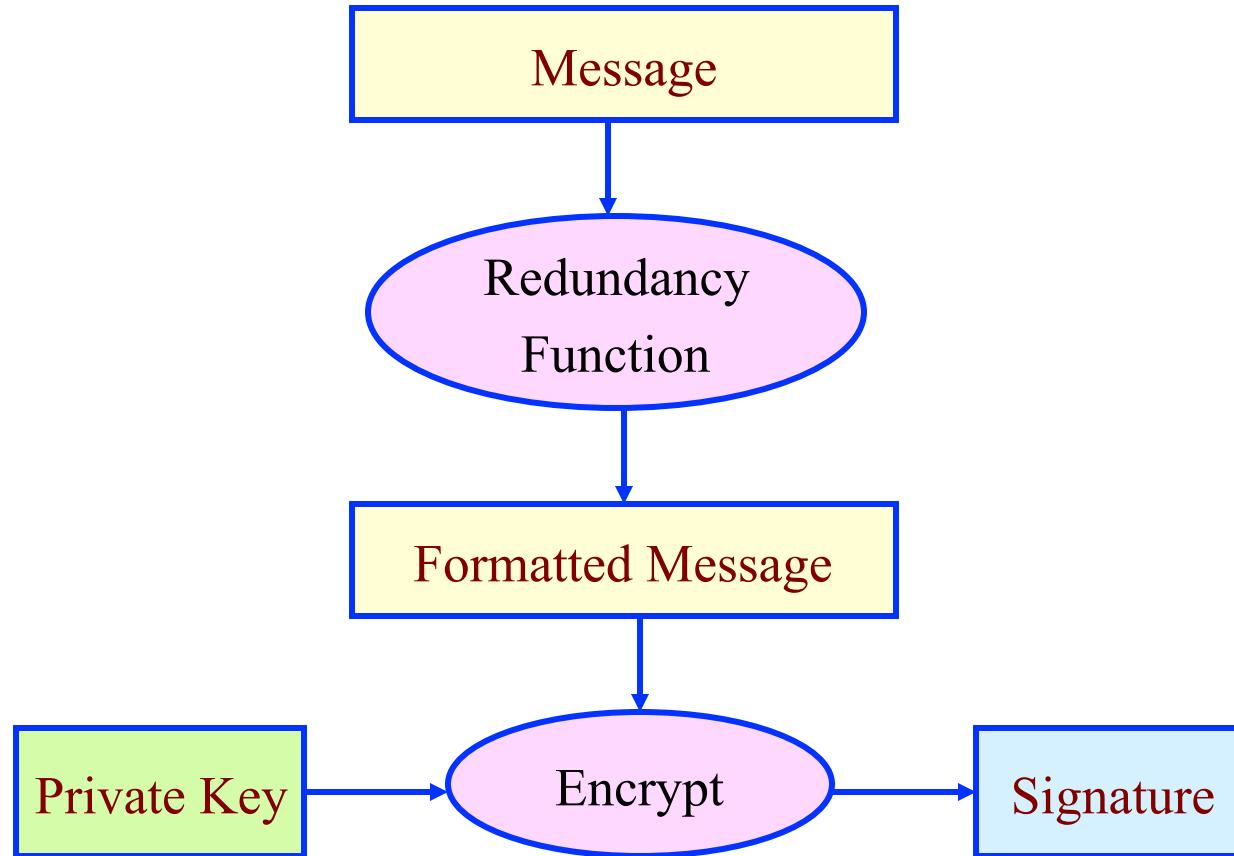
- Choose a random number between 0 and n-1 for S (n=629)
 - S = 323
- Use the signer's public key to decrypt S
 - $x = S^d \text{ mod } n = 323^{413} \text{ mod } 629 = 85$
 - A valid signature (323) has been created for a random message (85)!!
 - unforgeable has been compromised
 - is it conflict with the RSA security claim?



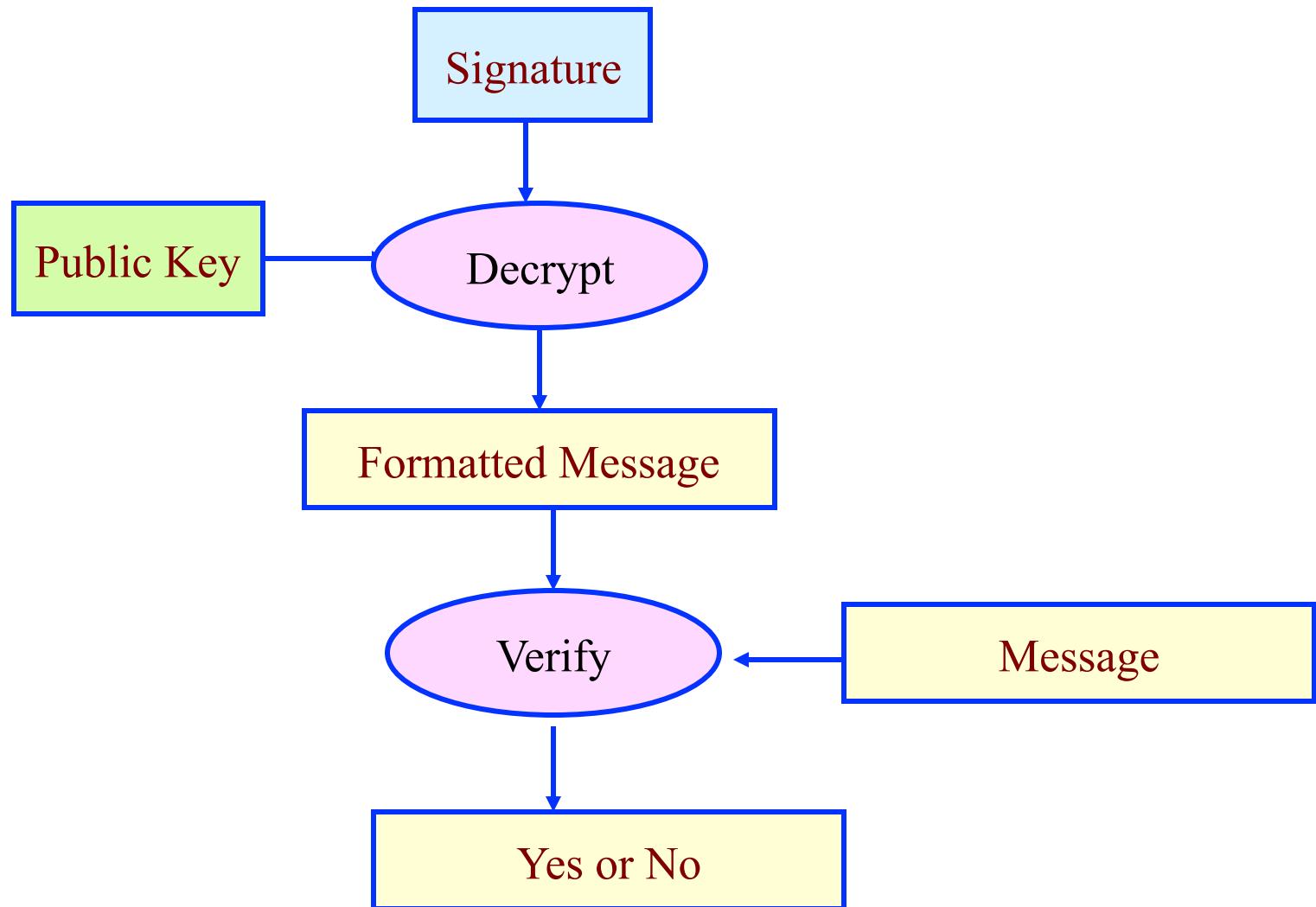
Redundancy Function

- Solution: redundancy function

Signature Generation (Signer)



Signature Verification



- generate signature S
 - $e = 53$
 - $d = 413$
 - $n = 629$
 - $m = 7$
 - Assume that $R(X) = XX$
- $S = R(m)^e \bmod n$
 - $S = 77^{53} \bmod 629 = 25$

- verify signature with message recovery
 - Public key (d) = 413
 - n = 629
 - S = 25
- $R(m) = S^d \bmod n$
 - $R(m) = 25^{413} \bmod 629 = 77$
- The verifier then checks that $R(m)$ is of the form XX for some message X
 - $m = R^{-1}(m) = 7$

- Choose a random number between 0 and n-1 for S
 - $S = 323$
- Use the signer's public key to decrypt S
 - $R(m) = 323^{413} \text{ mod } 629 = 85$
- However, 85 is not a legal value for $R(m)$
 - so $S = 323$ is not a valid signature

- Can we use symmetric crypto system for digital signature?

Simple Scenario of Digital Signature



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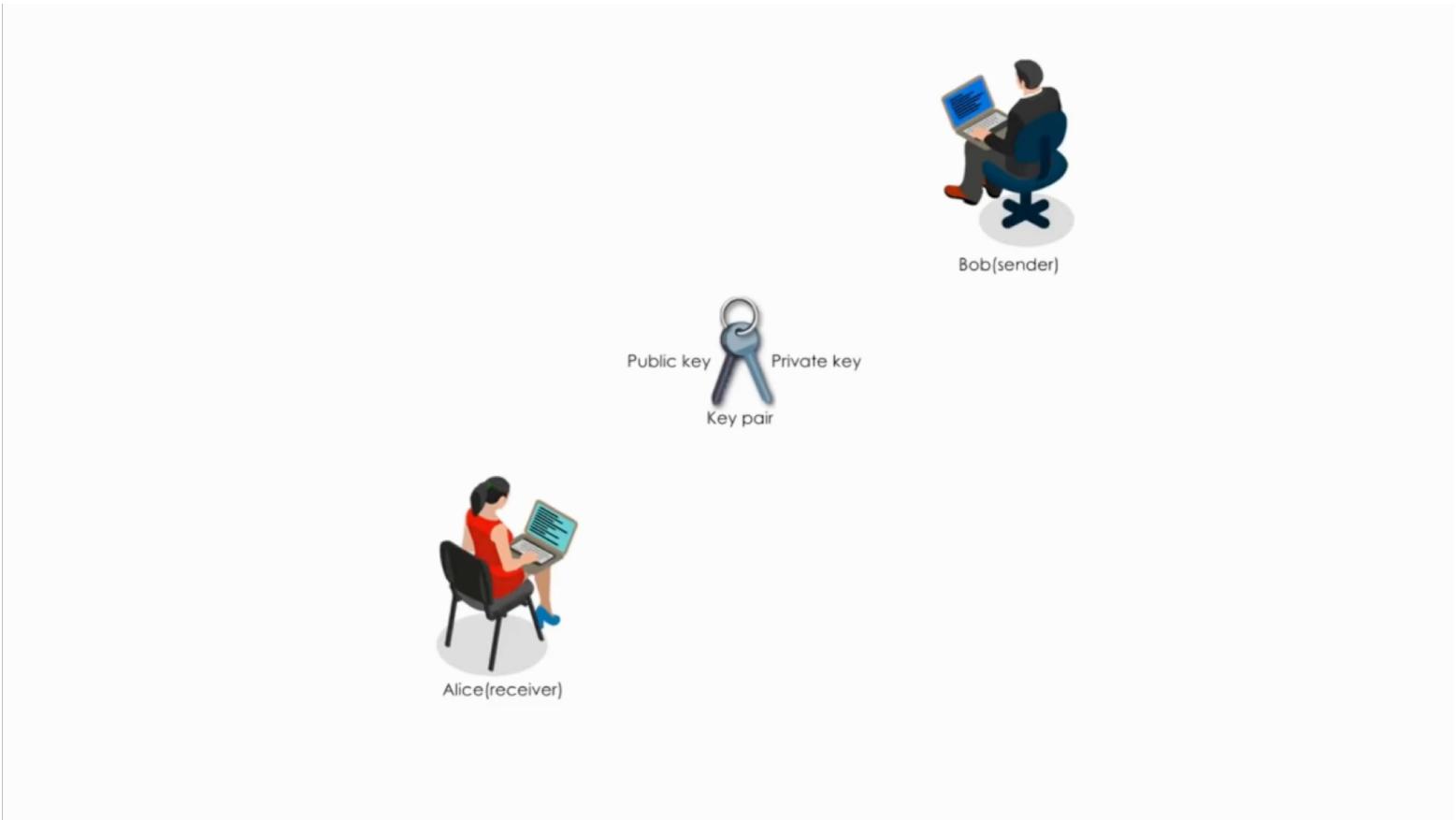
Alice(receiver)



Bob(sender)

- **Bob wants to send a memo to Alice with his DS**

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- **First, Bob generates Public and Private keys**

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Alice(receiver)



Bob(sender)

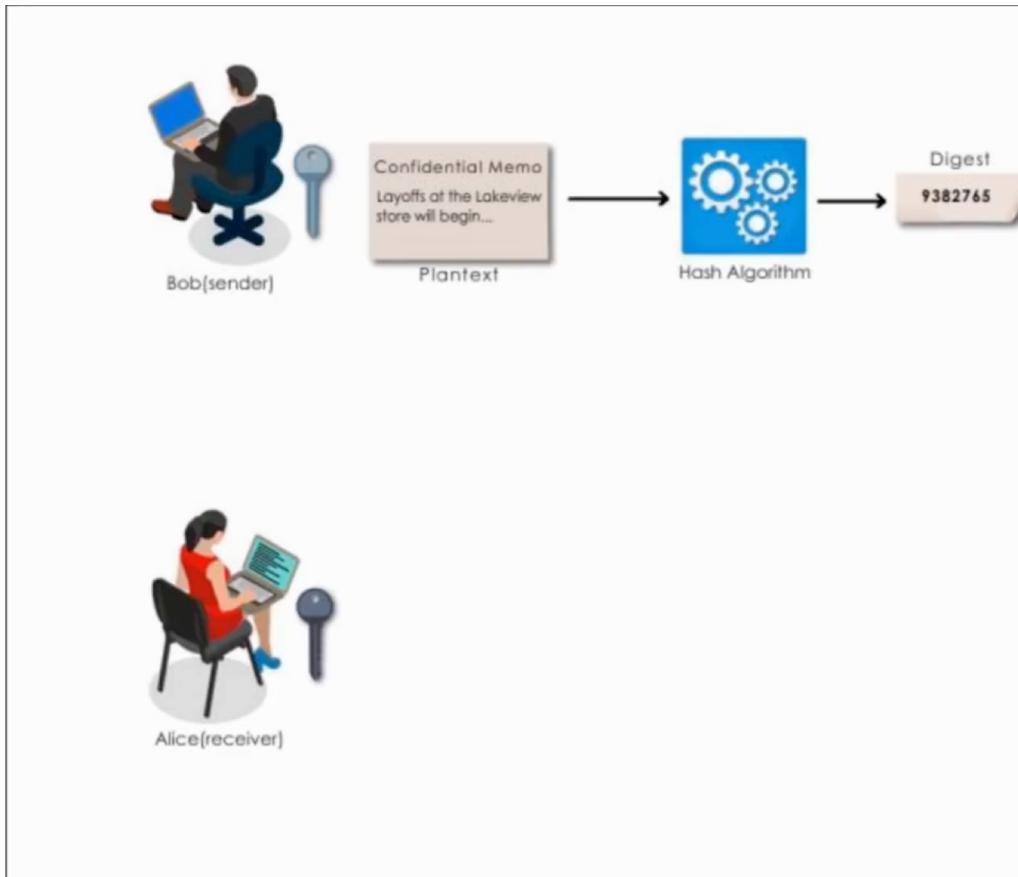
- **Bob keeps his private key and sends his public key to Alice**

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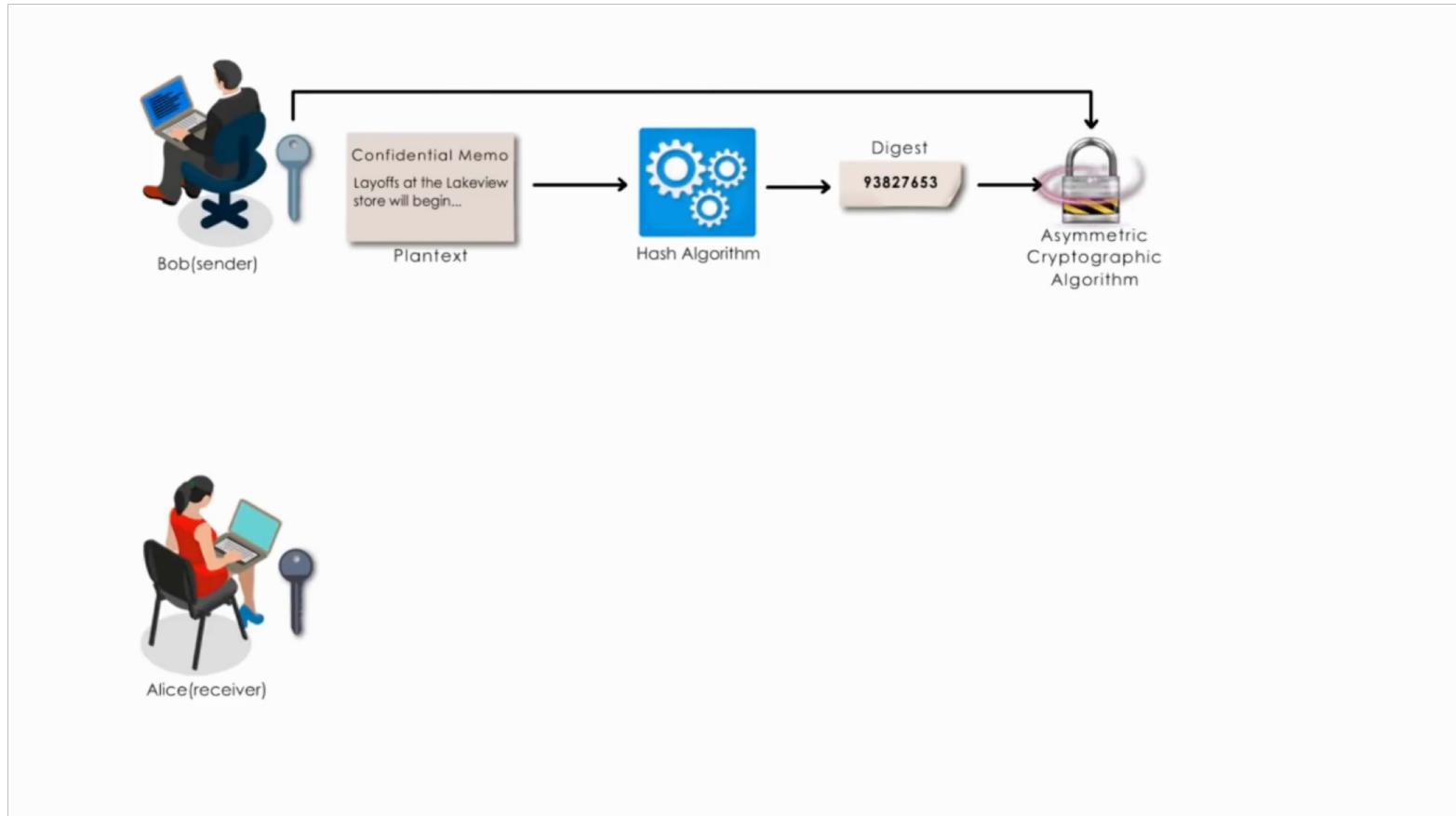
- Then, Bob creates his memo which he wishes to send to Alice

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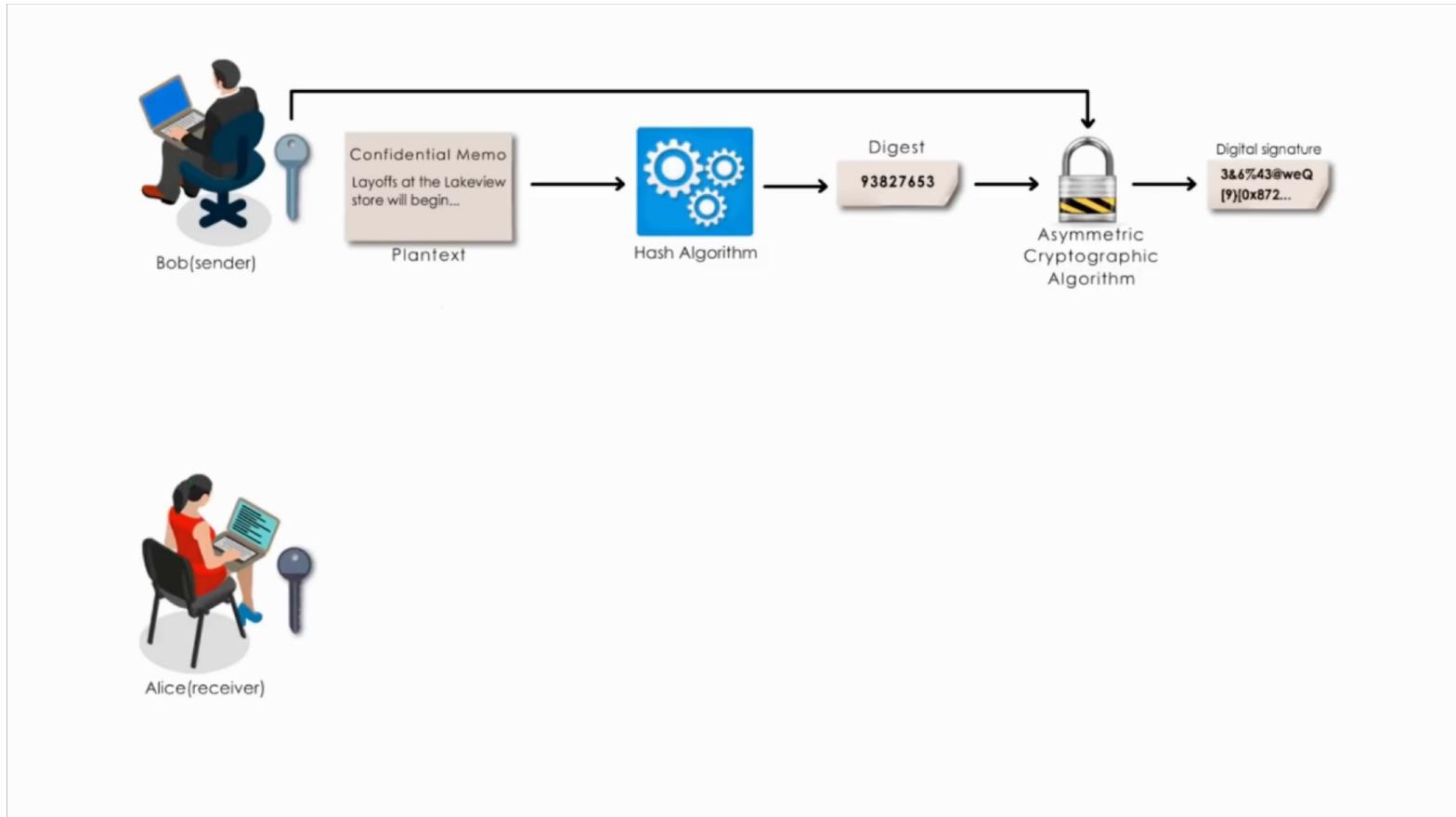
- After creating the memo, Bob generates a 'digest' by using a hash algorithm

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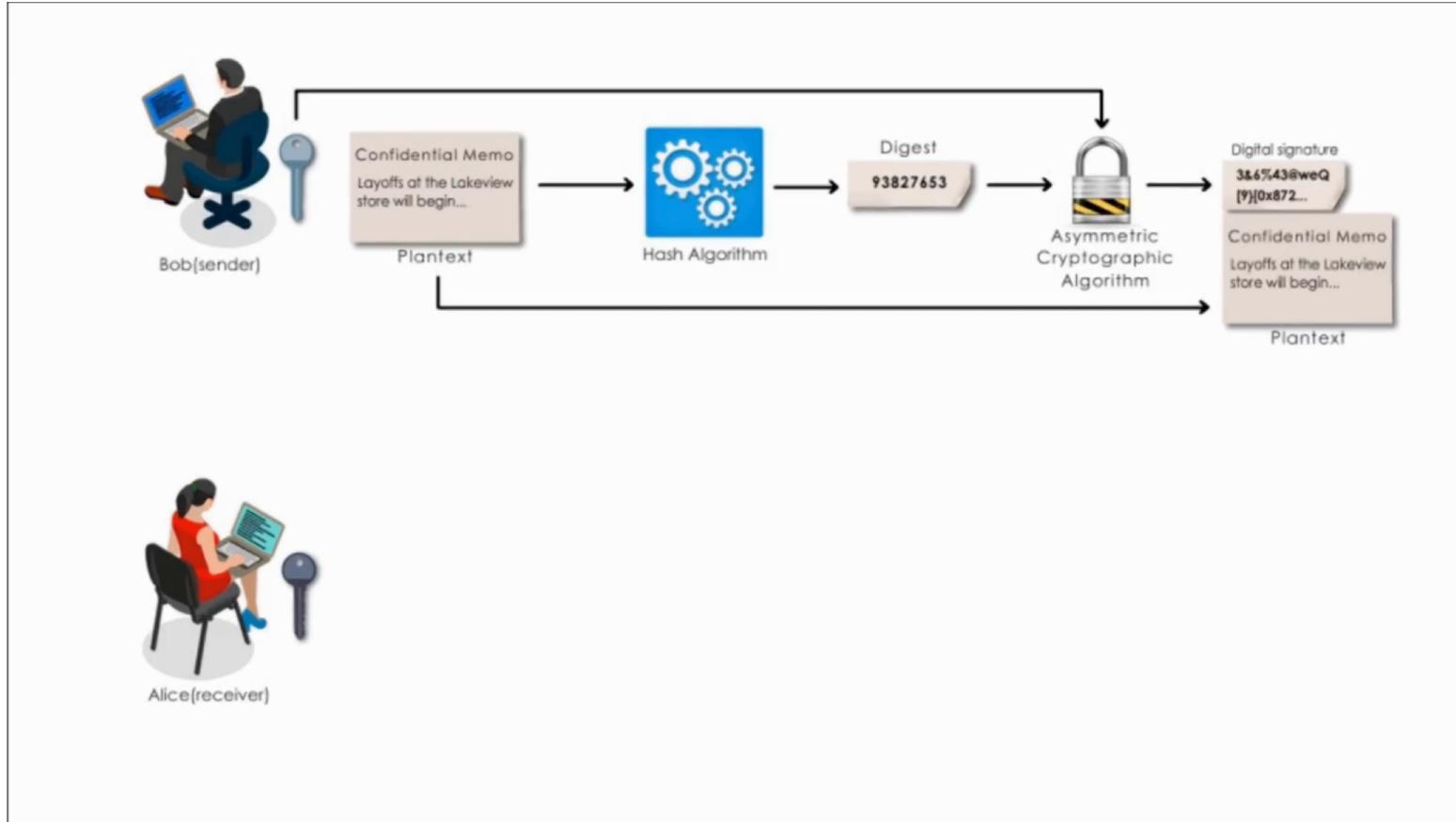
- After generating the digest, Bob uses his private key to encrypt the digest

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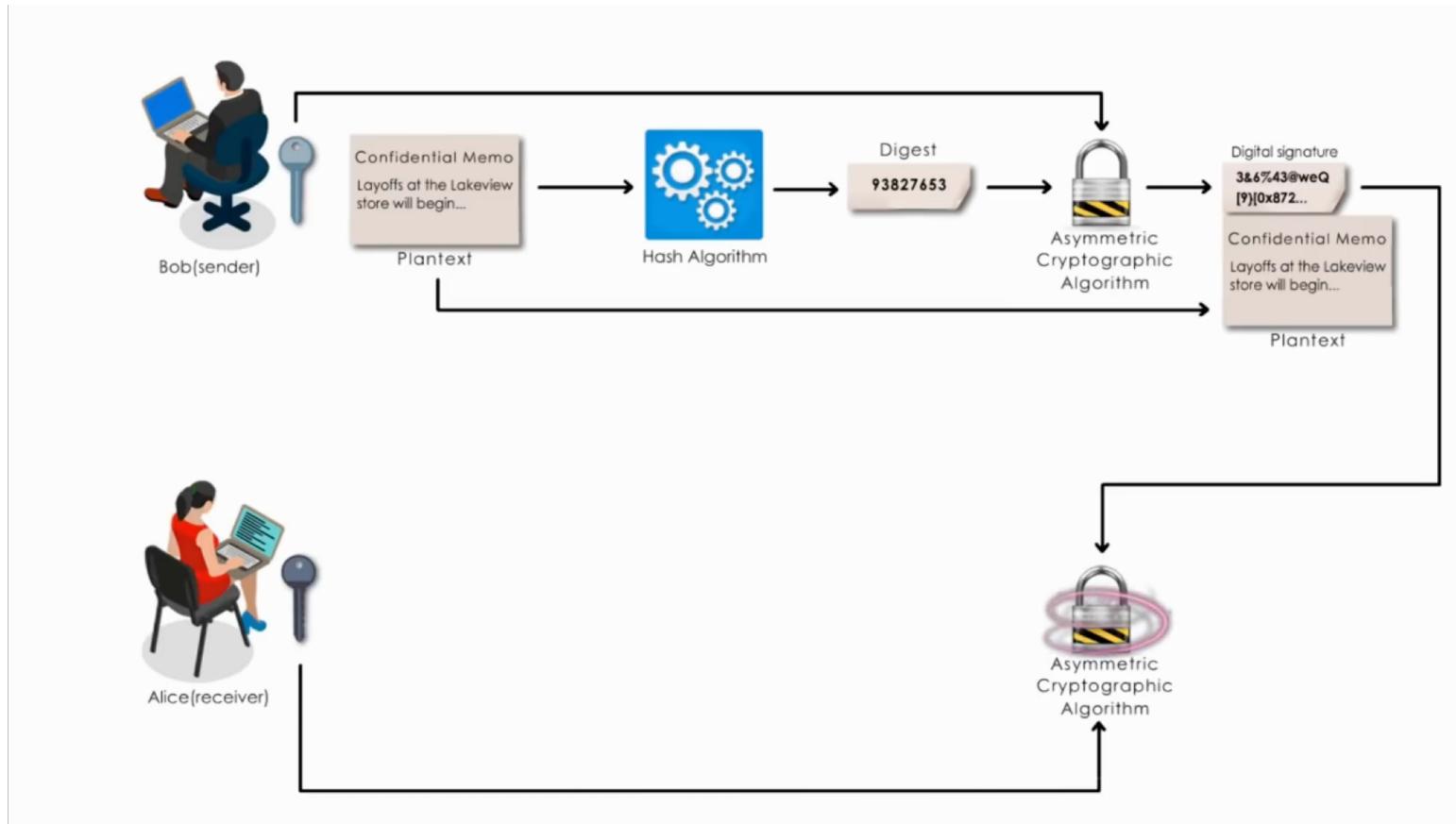
- **The encrypted digest is called the 'Digital Signature' for the memo**

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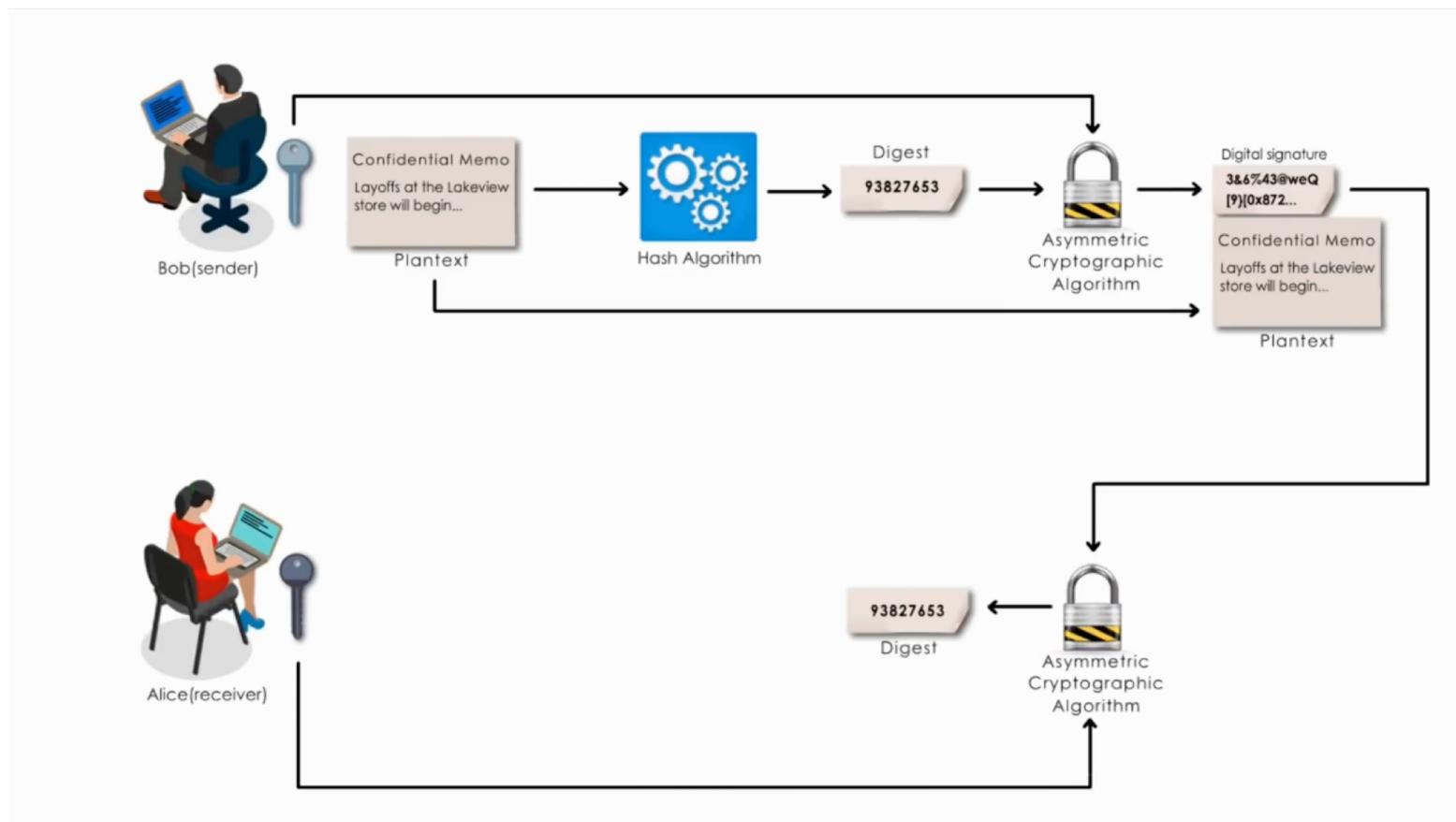
- **Bob sends both the memo and the DS to Alice**
- **In this example, the memo is not encrypted**

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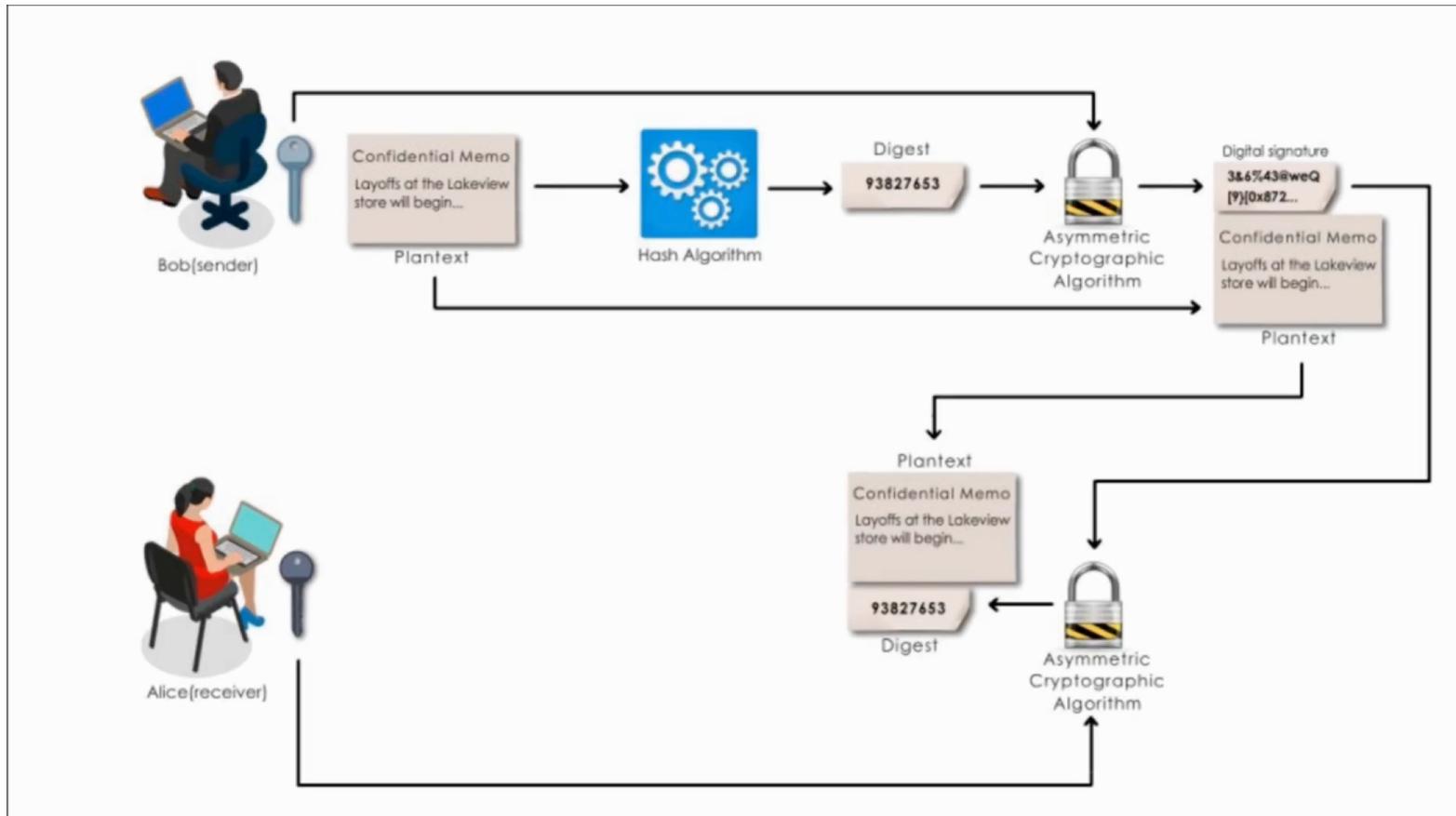
- Alice decrypts the DS using Bob's public key

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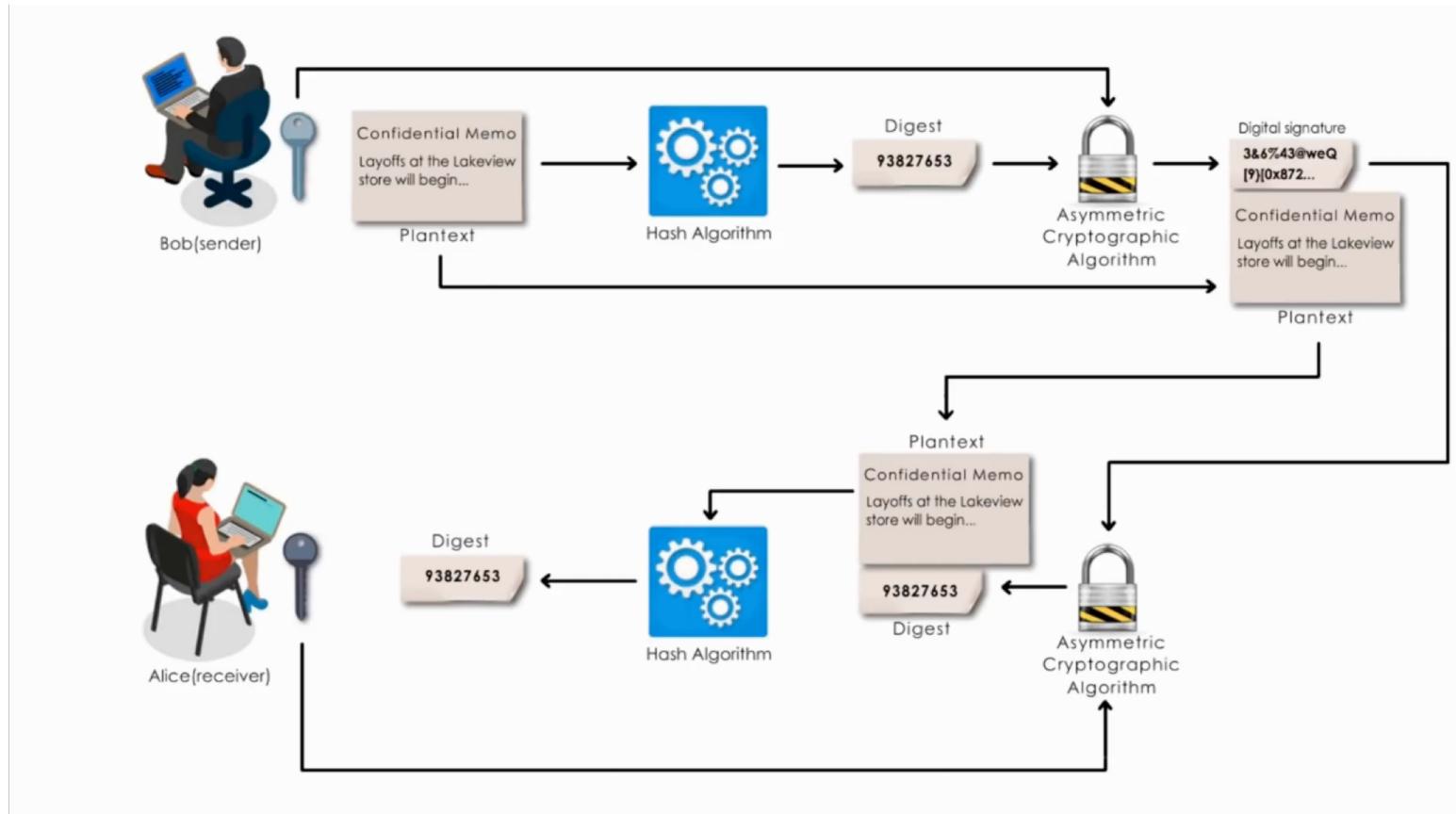
- After decrypting, Alice gets the digest for the memo

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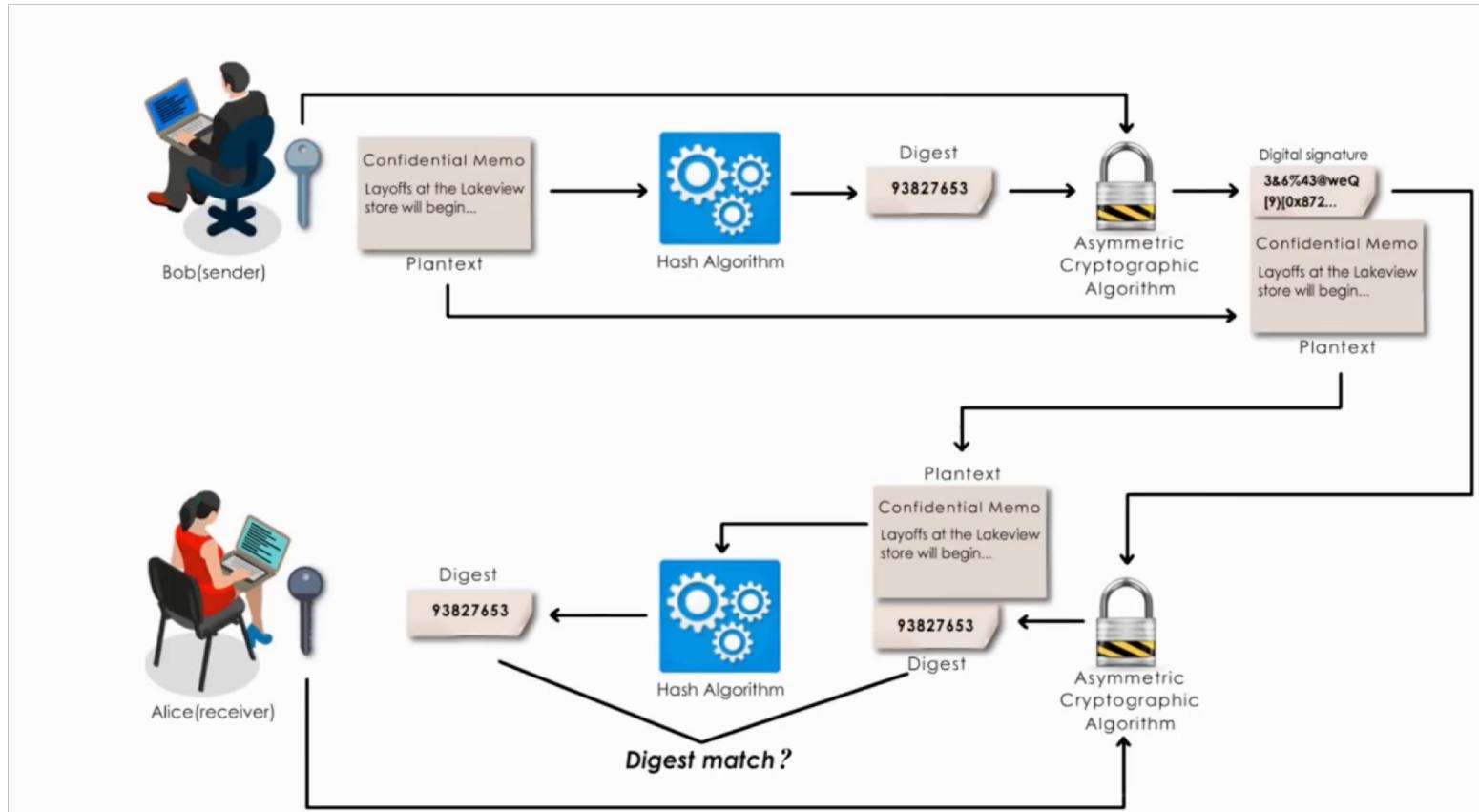
- After finding the digest, Alice will check the integrity of the memo

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- Alice uses the same hash algorithm Bob uses, in order to find the digest for the memo

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- Alice compares the generated digest with the digest provided by Bob
- If they are equal, Alice verifies two things
 - The memo has not been changed during transit
 - The memo was sent by Bob
- If they are not equal, Alice knows that the message was changed