CS120: Computer Networks

Lecture 27. Network Security 1

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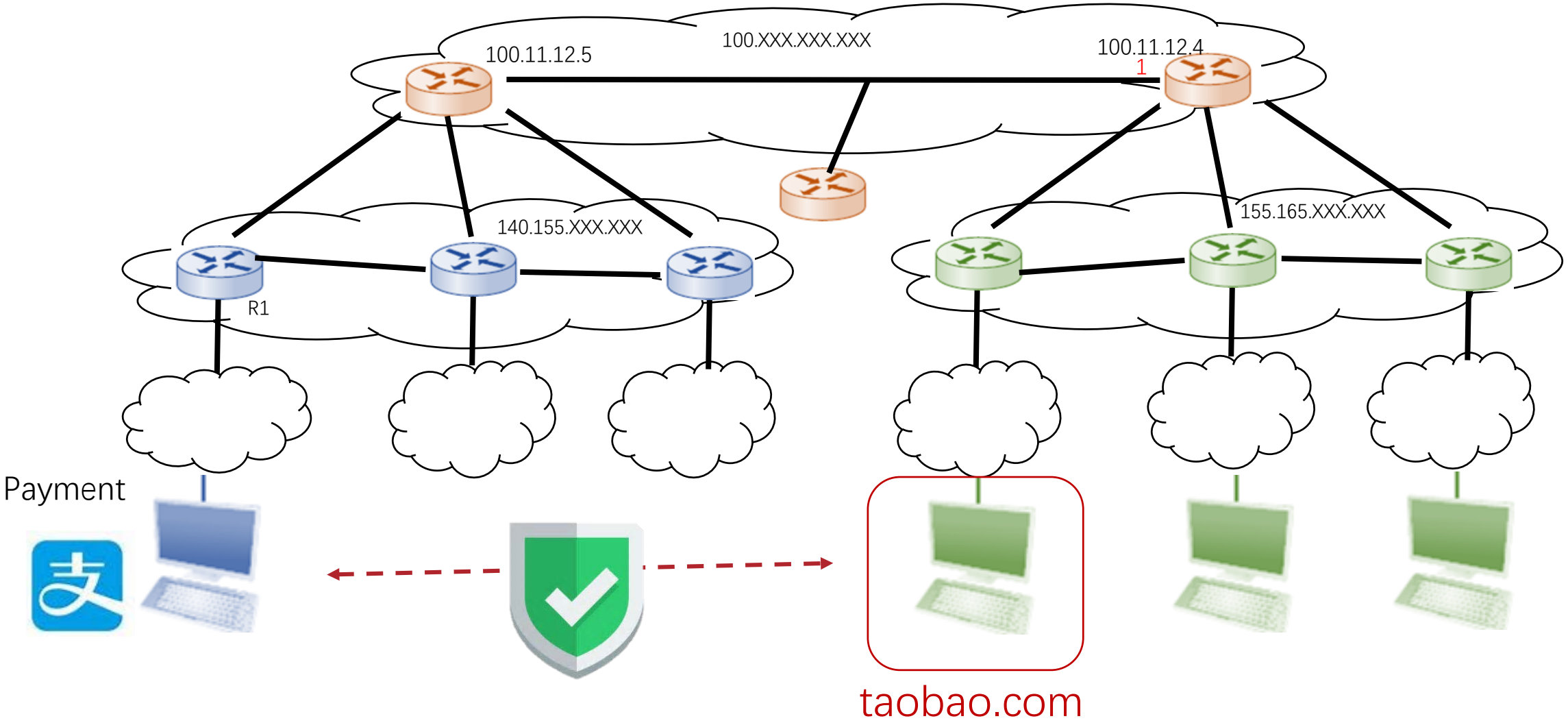
How to Make Internet Secure ?



What is Network Security

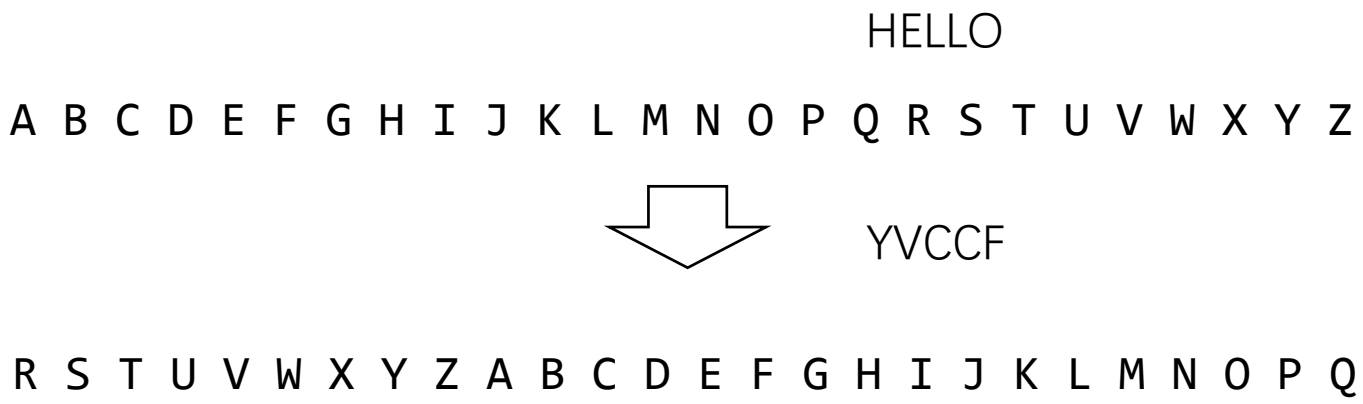
- Confidentiality
  - To encrypt messages so as to prevent an adversary from understanding the message contents
- Integrity
  - To prevent an adversary from modifying the message contents.
- Originality
  - To prevent an adversary from relaying the message
- Timeliness
  - To identify delayed messages

How to Achieve Network Security

- Cryptographic Tools
  - Symmetric-Key Cipher
  - Public-Key Cipher
  - Hash Function
- Key Predistribution Protocols
  - Public-Key Predistribution
  - Symmetric-Key Predistribution
- Authentication Protocols
  - Public-Key Authentication
  - Symmetric-Key Authentication

Cipher

- Cipher: the Cryptographic Algorithm for Encryption or Decryption

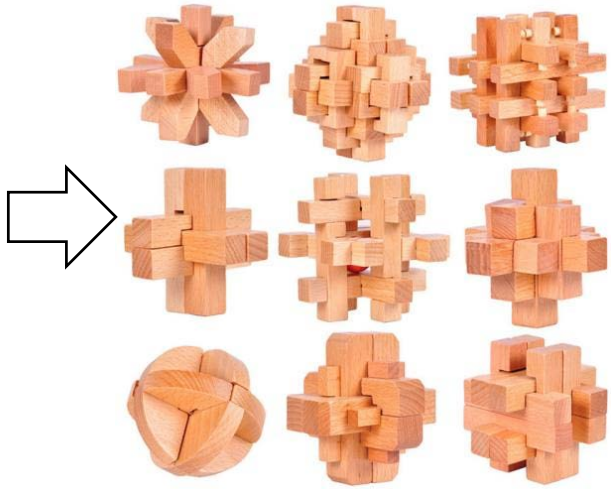


Cipher

- Ciphers are normally parameterized by **keys**
  - Message: x
  - Key: k1, k2
  - Encryption function: y=En(x, k1)
  - Decryption function: x=De(y, k2)
- Key is the secret
  - The encryption function and decryption function are public known

Cipher as a Secret ?

Obtain the secret by unlocking the block



Not Scalable

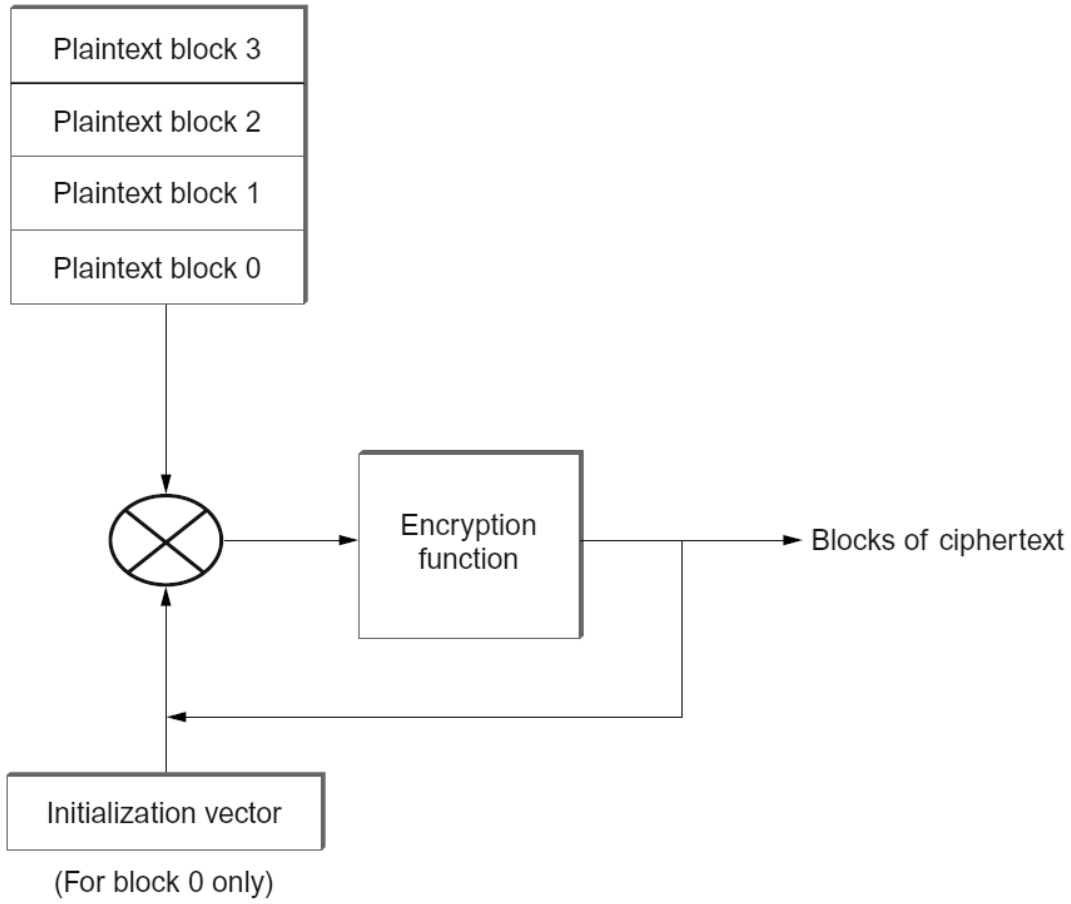
The mechanism of the locker is public known, but the key unknown



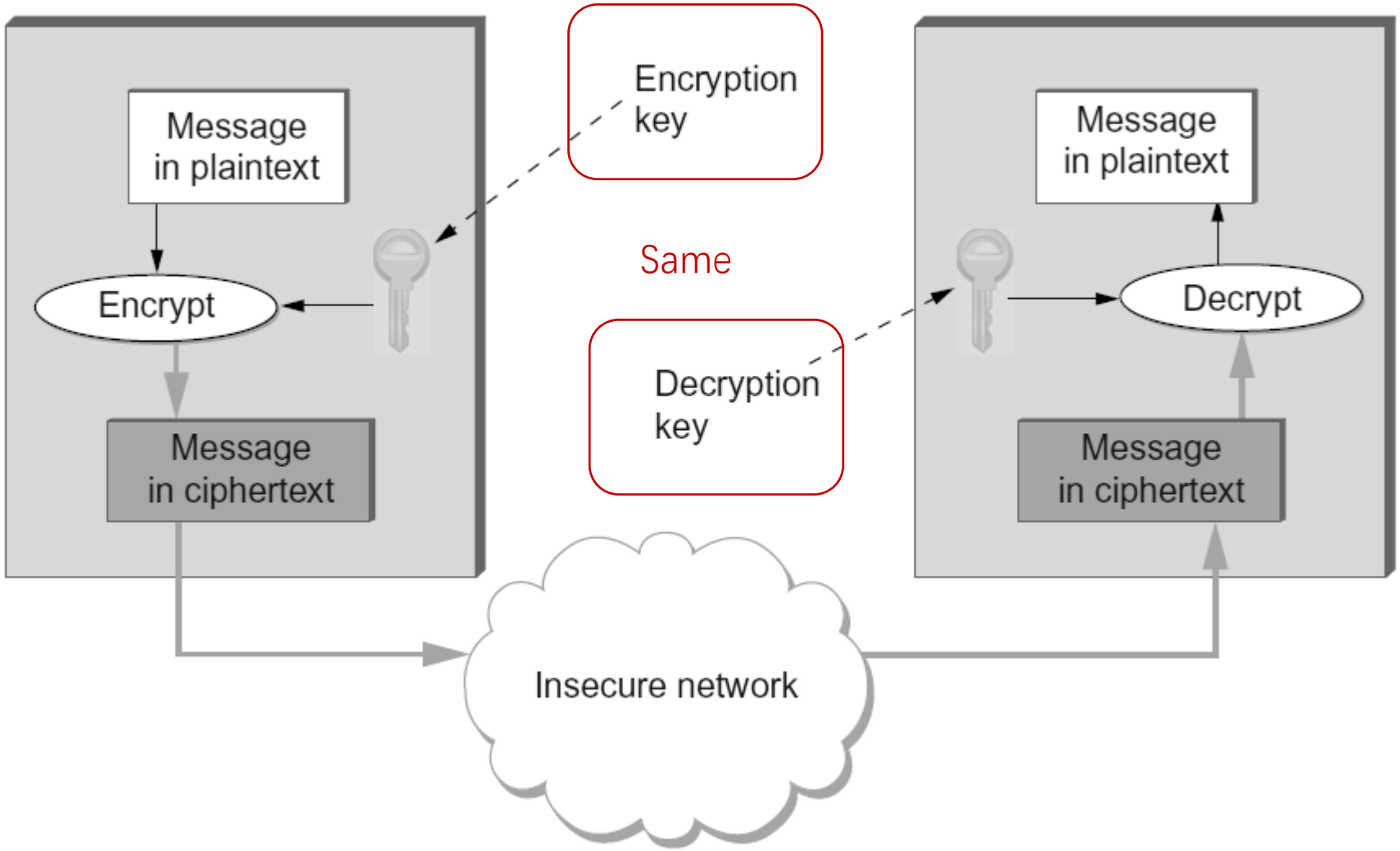



Cipher

- Ciphers are under various attacks
  - e.g., word frequency, known plaintext, etc.
- Cipher designs
  - Prevent attackers from knowing key even the attacker knows plaintext
  - e.g., Cipher Block Chaining to prevent same output under same input



Symmetric-Key Cipher



Symmetric-Key Cipher

- Examples:
  - 3DES
  - ASE
    - https://aesencryption.net/

Public-Key Cipher

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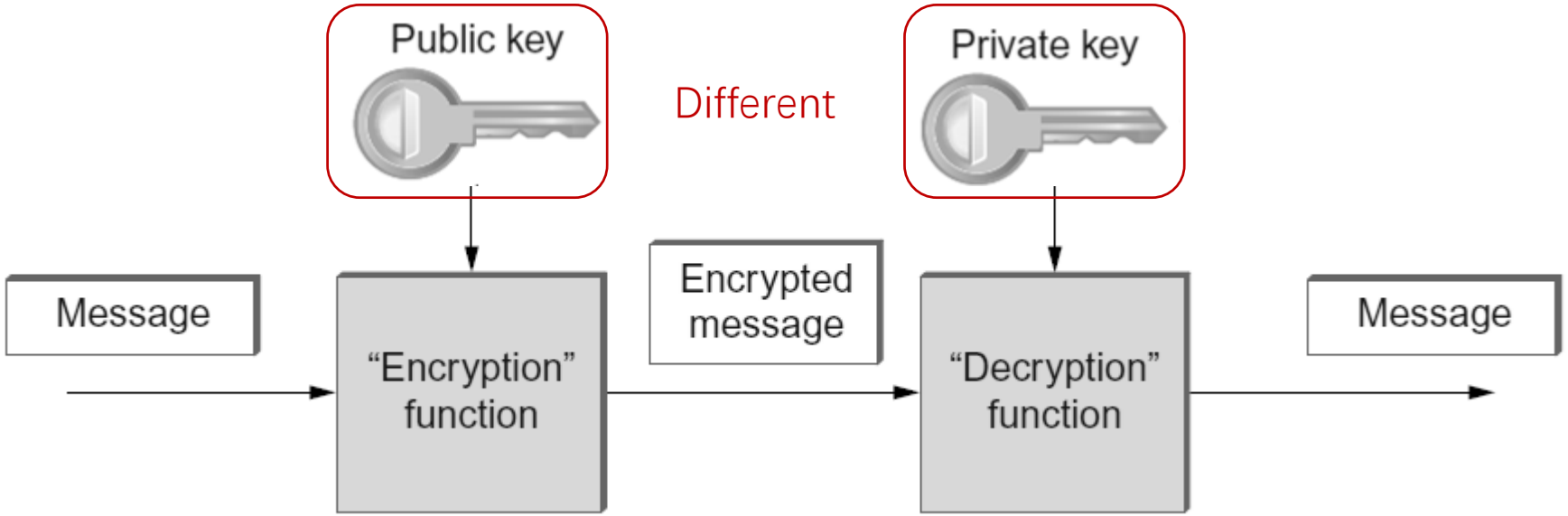
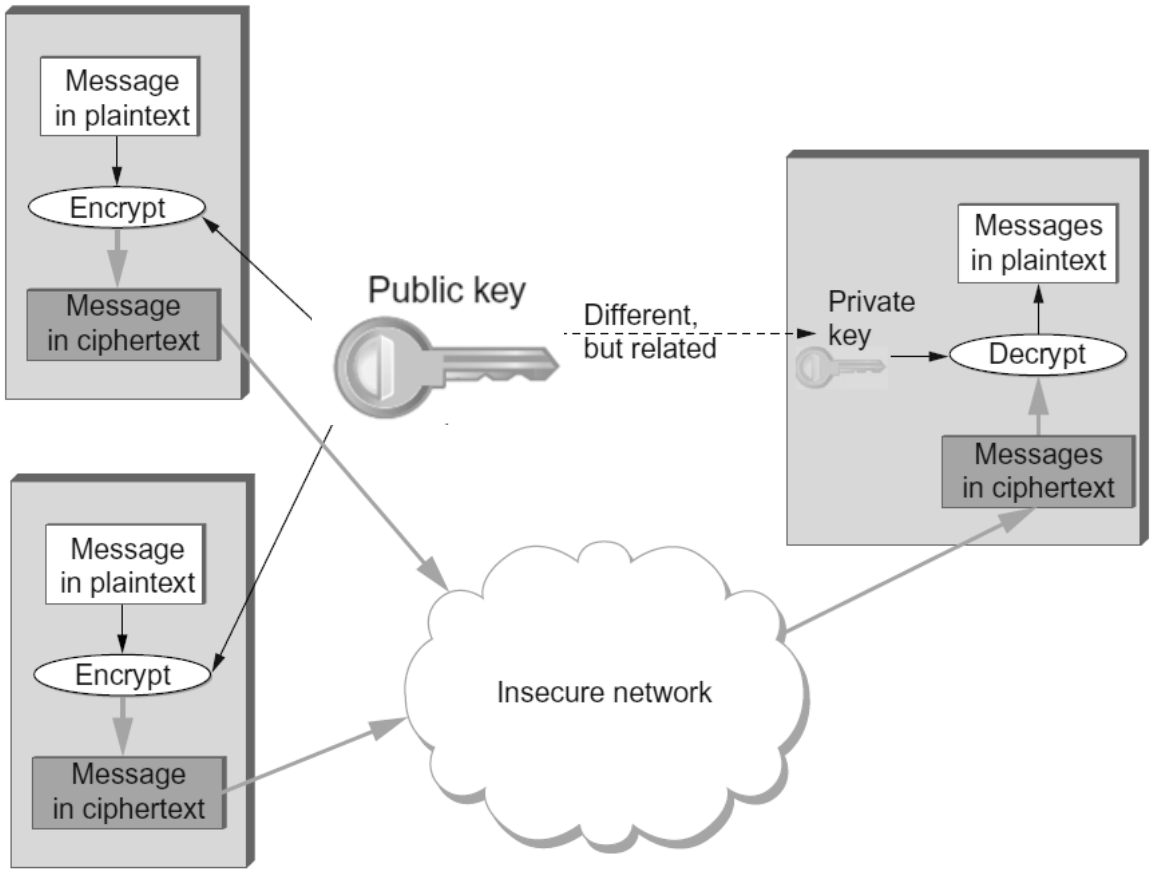


Public-Key Cipher

- For traffic confidentiality: the public key can be released to everyone



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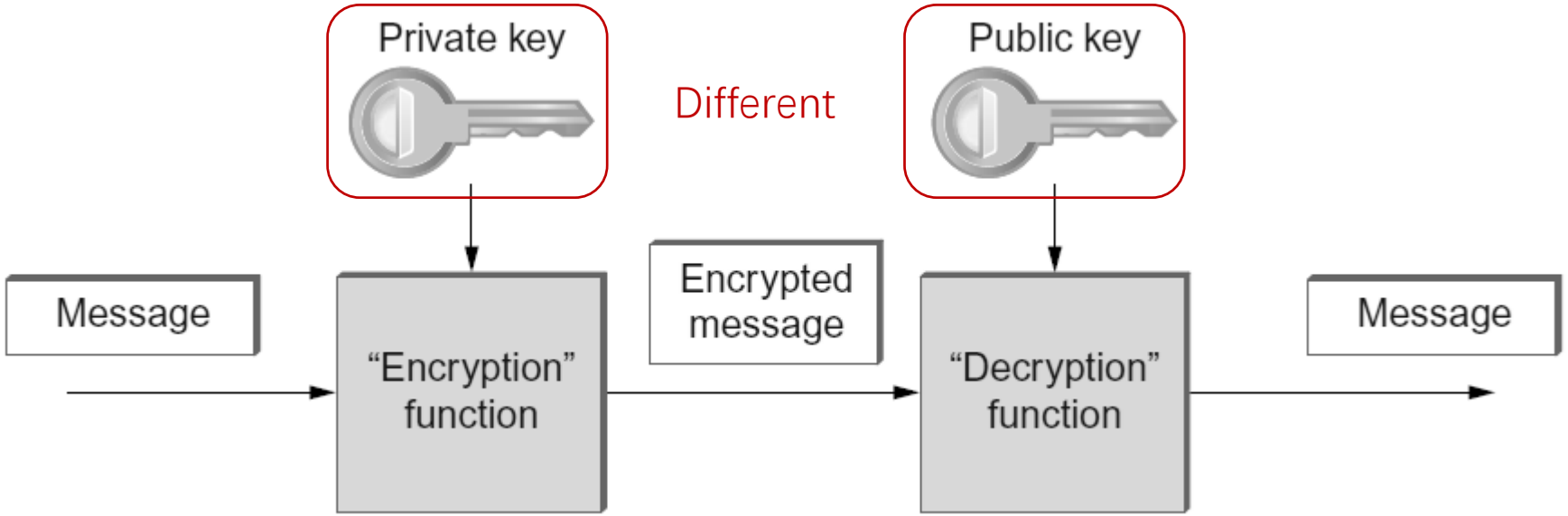
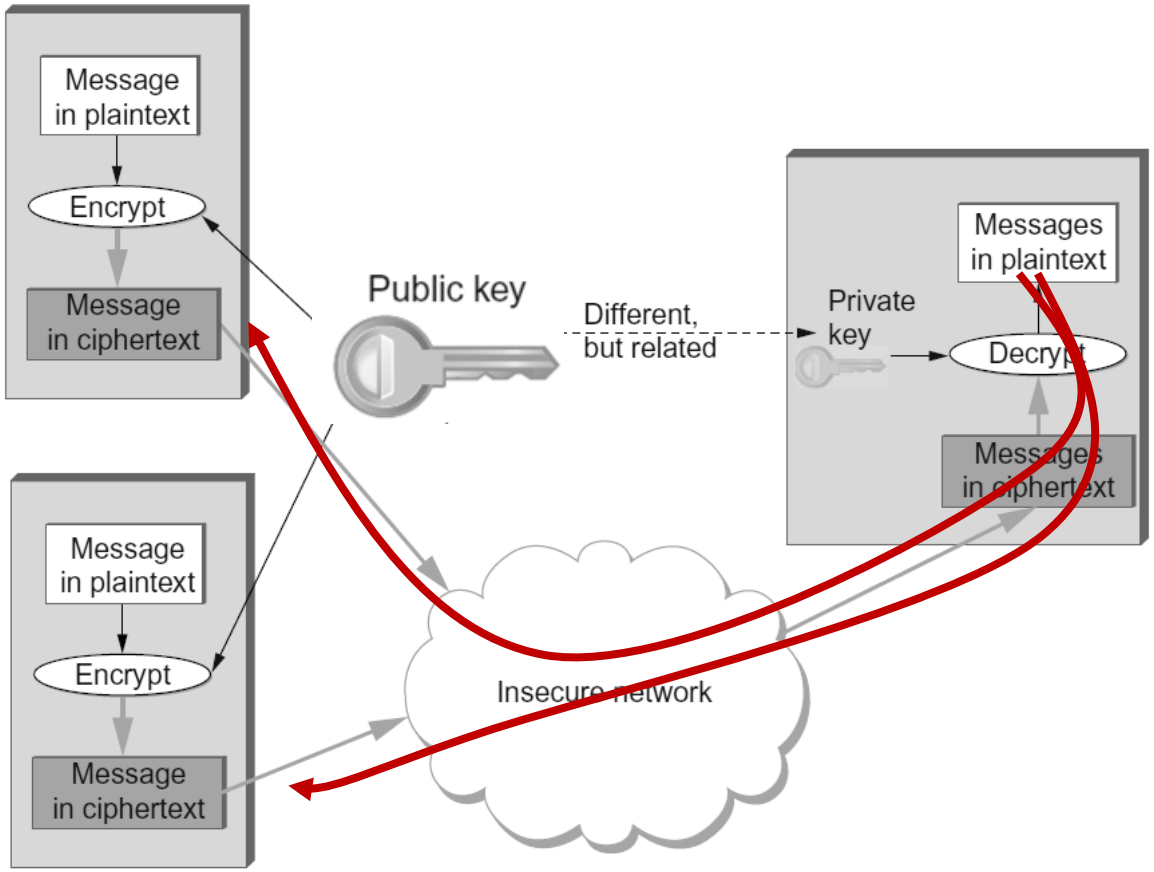


Public-Key Cipher

- For identification: the public key can be used verify if the message sender has the paired private key

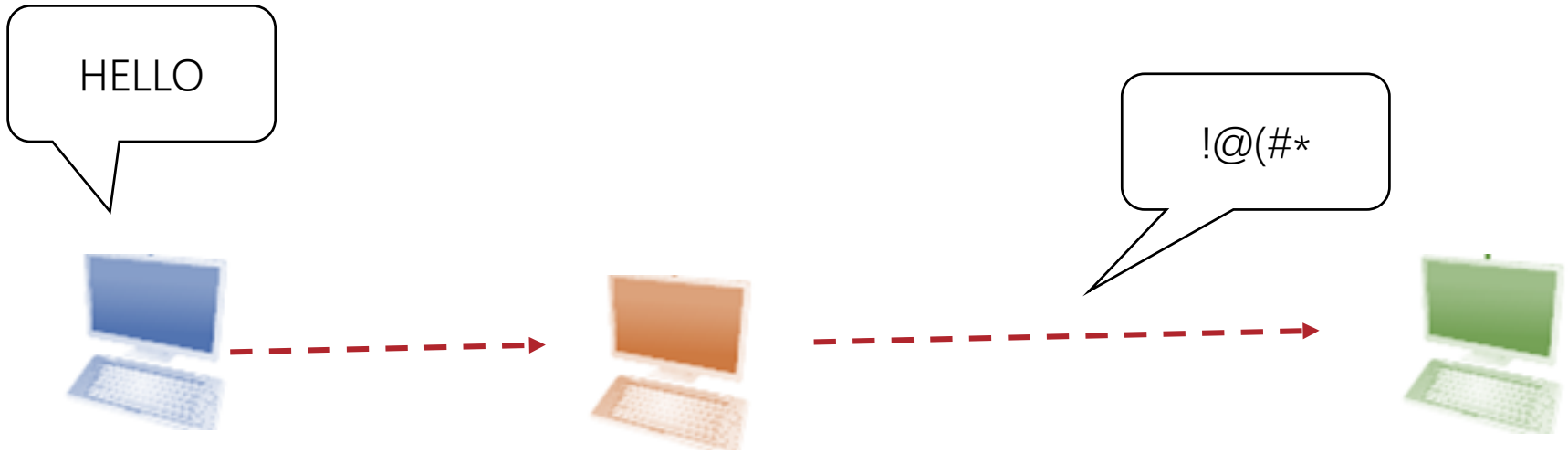


Public-Key Cipher

- Example:
  - RSA
  - Elliptic Curve Cryptography

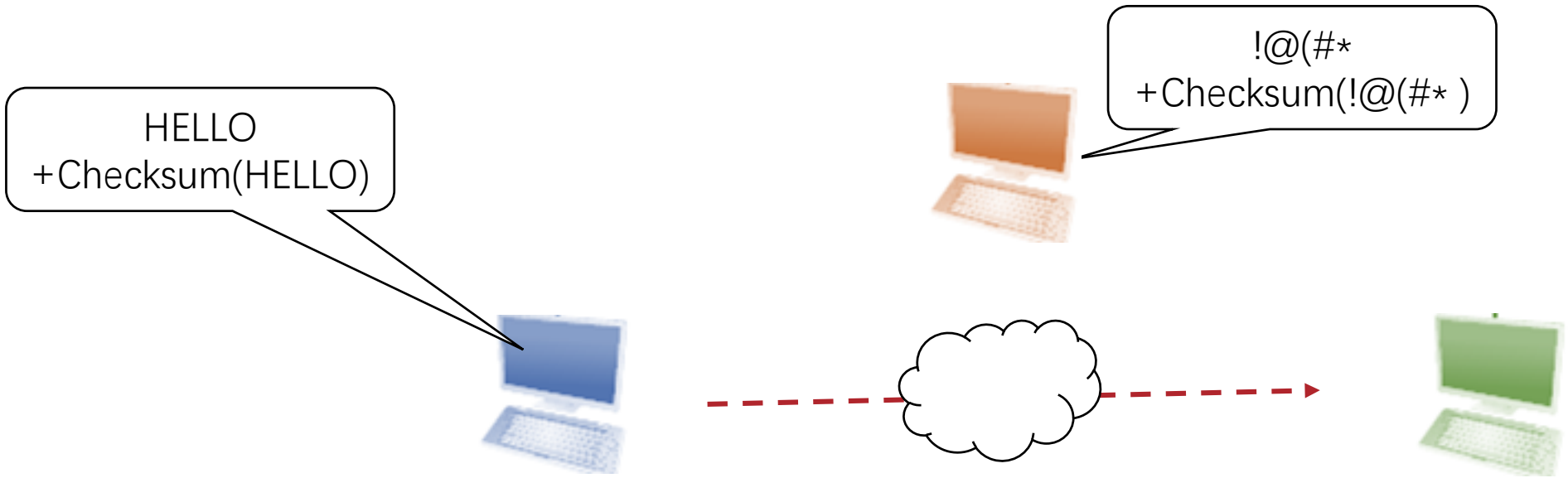
What is Network Security

- Integrity
  - To prevent an adversary from modifying the message contents.



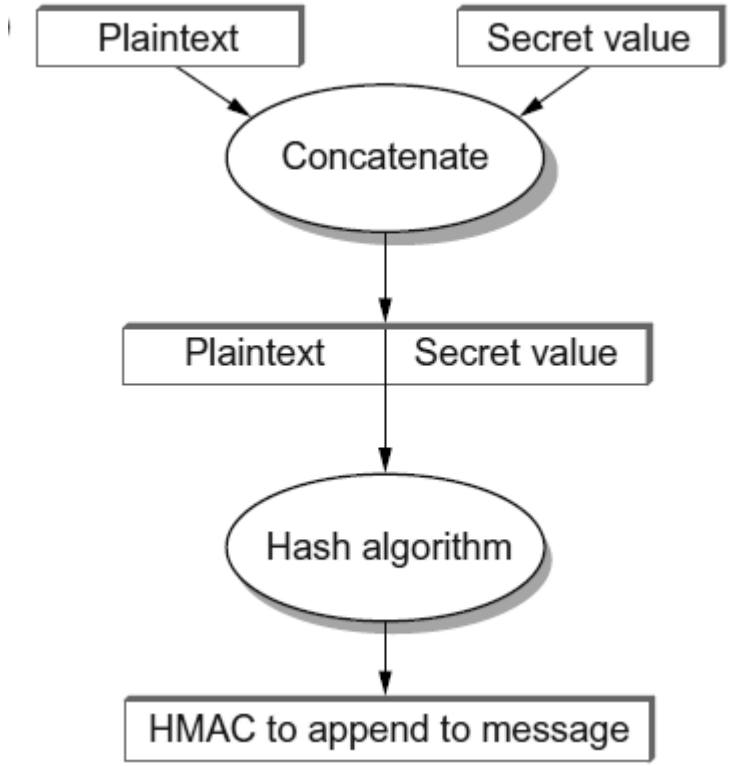
Data Integrity: Checksum

- Checksum can be replicated



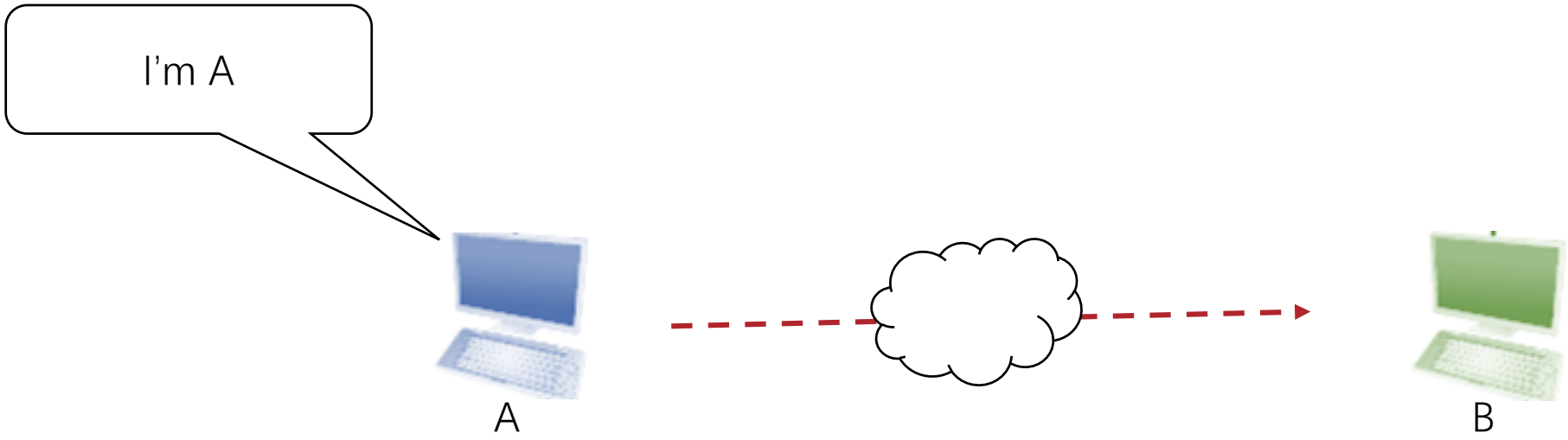
HMAC: Cryptographic Hash + Secret

- Cryptographic Hash
  - Example
    - MD5
    - SHA



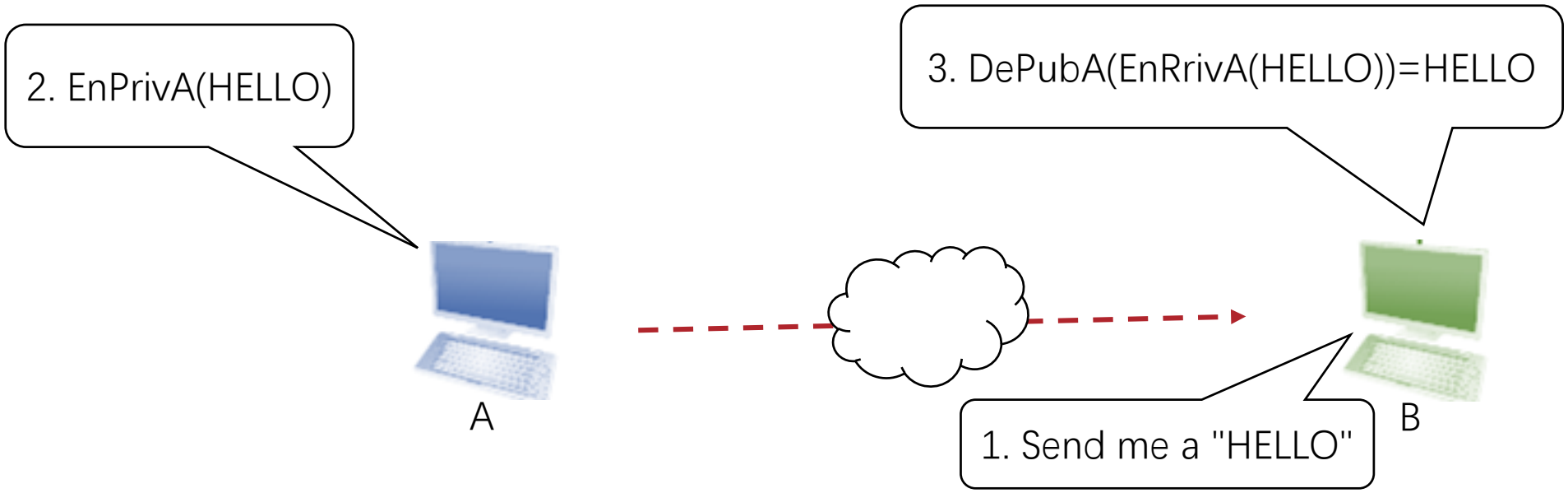
Authenticator

- Digital Signature
  - To authenticate the sender, or to give a recipient reason to believe that the message was created by a known sender

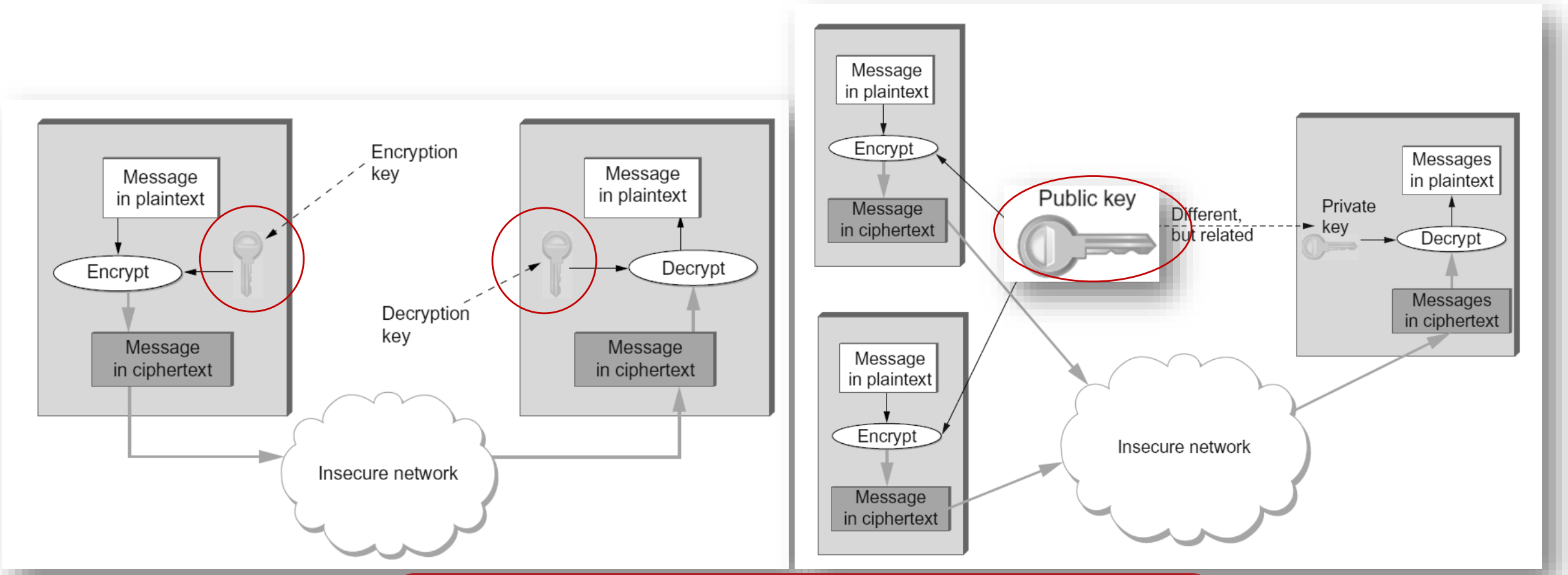


Authenticator

- Digital Signature
  - The message digest can be a signature for the sender, if the message digest is decodable with the public key of the sender
    - Everyone with a public key can challenge the private key holder



Bootstrap the First Key



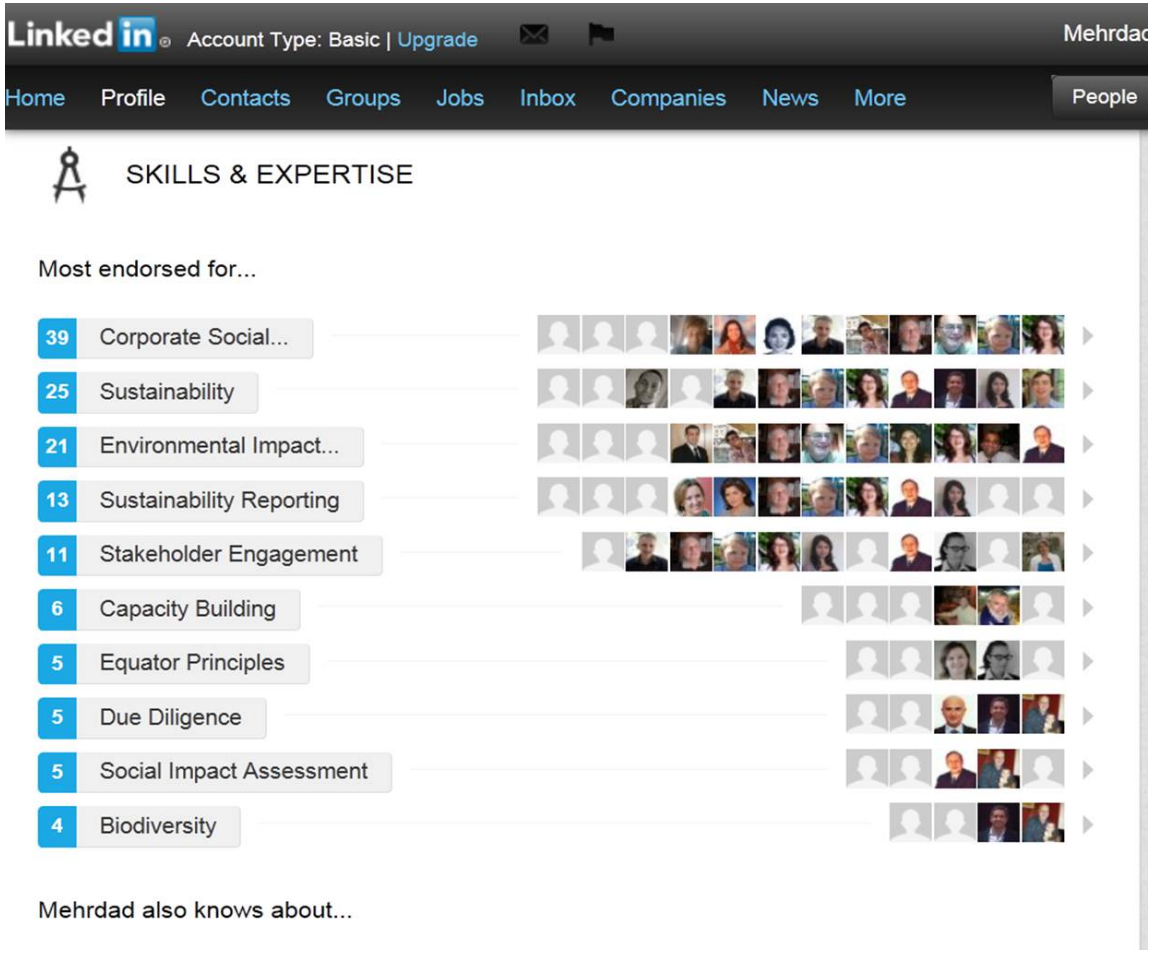
How to Predistribute Keys ?

Key Predistribution

- Distribute through Offline Channel
  - Not scalable

Public-Key Predistribution

- Endorsement



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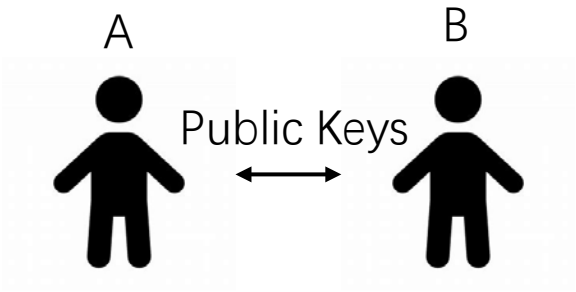

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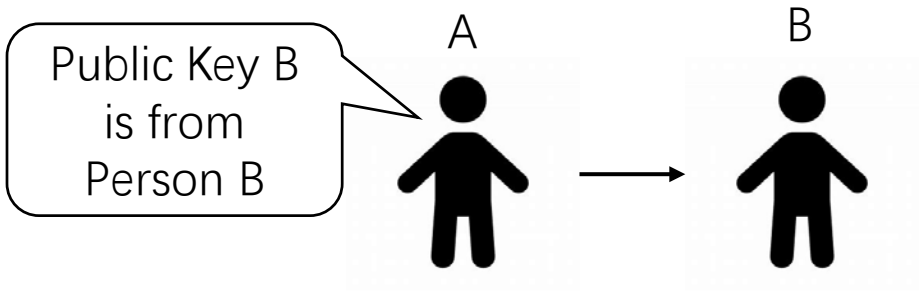
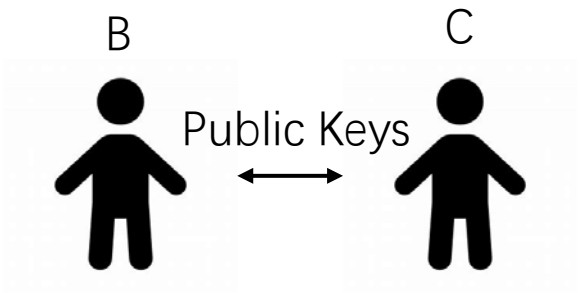
Exchange Public Keys



Step 2. Certifies Public Keys



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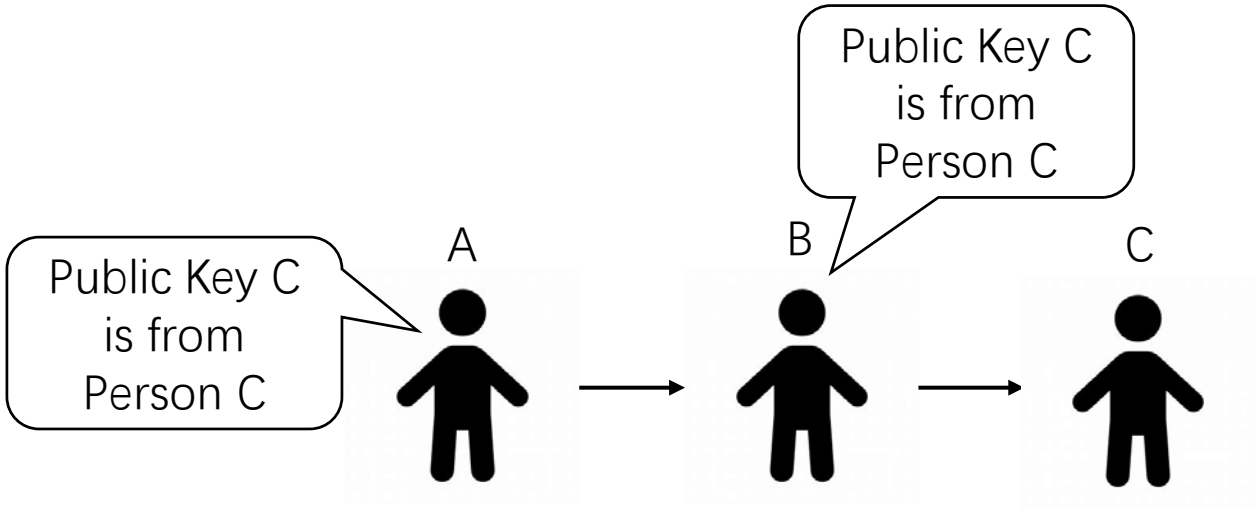


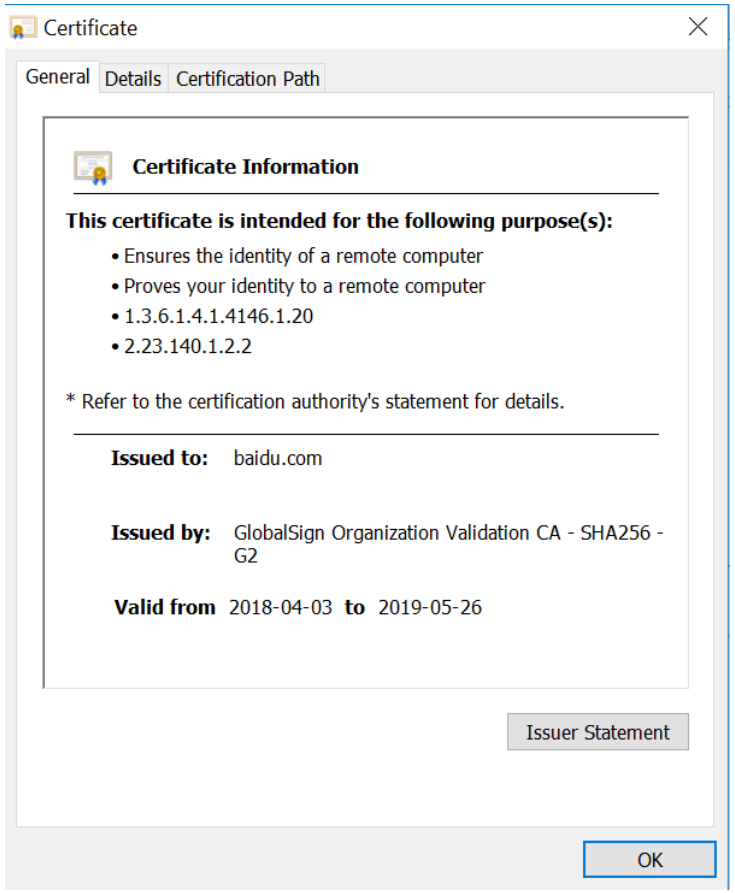
Step 4. Certifies Public Keys from Others

Public-Key Predistribution

- Certificate Authority (CA)
  - Preinstall trusted public keys
- Web of Trust
  - Collect public keys from known people

Public-Key Predistribution

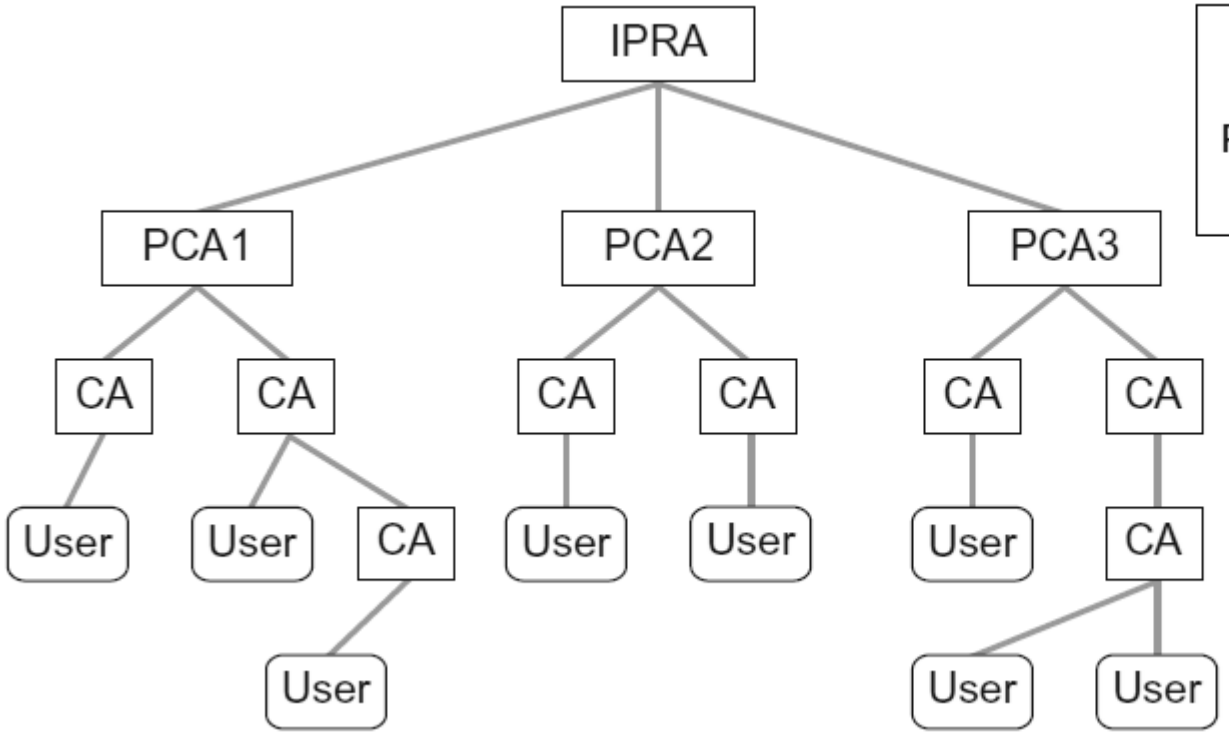
- Certificate



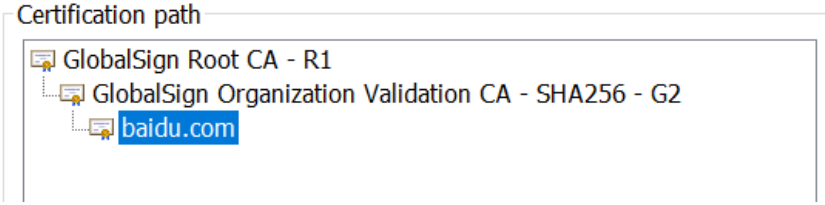
- The identity of the entity being certified
- The public key of the entity being certified
- The identity of the signer
- The digital signature of the signer
- A digital signature algorithm identifier (which cryptographic hash and which cipher)

Public-Key Predistribution

- Certificate Authority (CA)



IPRA = Internet Policy Registration Authority (root)
PCA*n* = Policy certification authority
CA = Certification authority



Demo

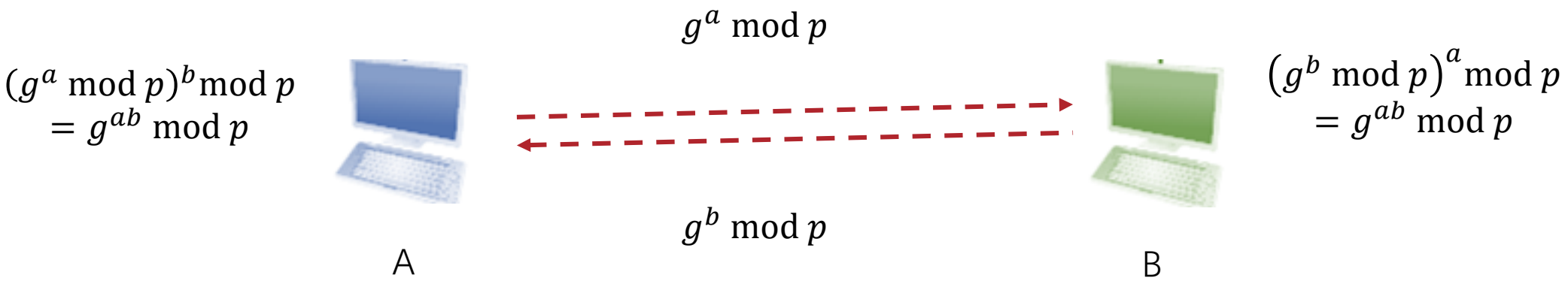
- Certificate Authority (CA)
  - certmgr.msc
  - https://www.sinorailca.com/

Symmetric-Key Predistribution

- Through Trust Server
- Through Public-Key Predistribution

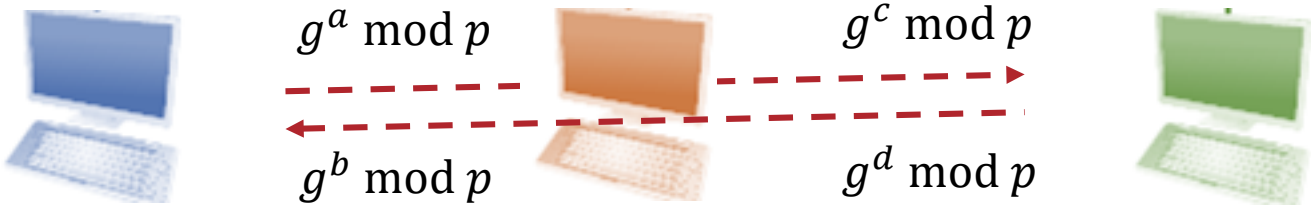
Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- Generate shared key without key predistribution
  - a is the secret of A
  - b is the secret of B
  - g and p are public known
  - g^ab mod p is the shared key



Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- Man in the middle attack
  - A cannot authenticate he is talking with B
- Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange is not secure without authentication



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- Timeliness
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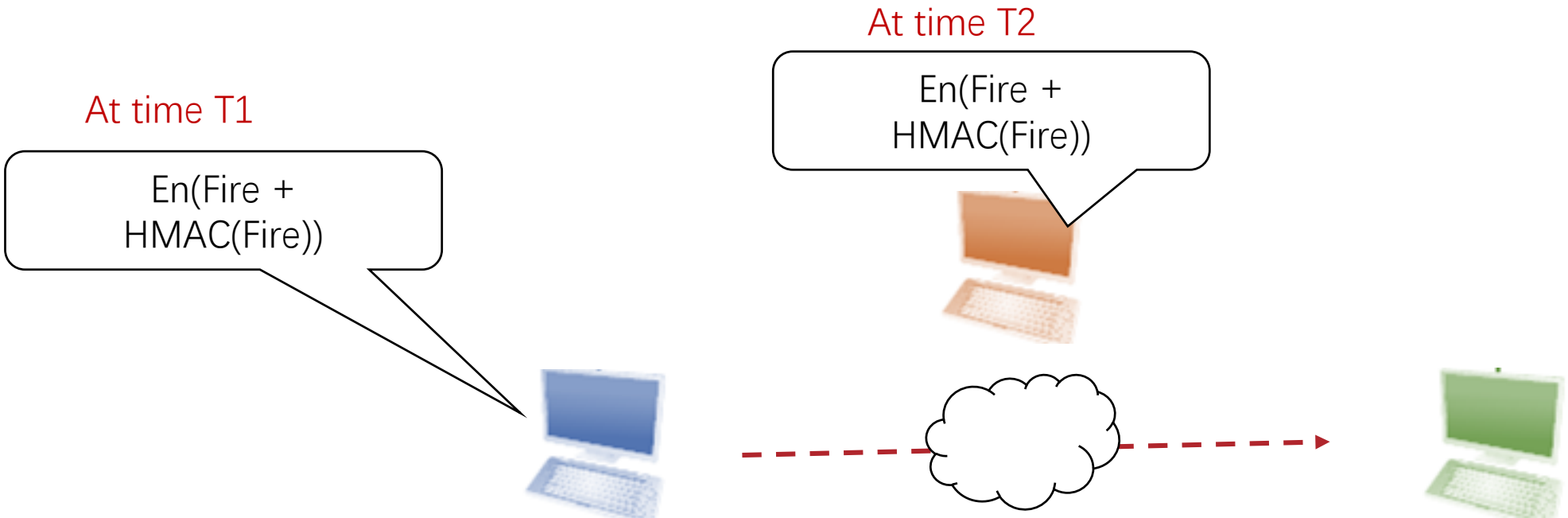
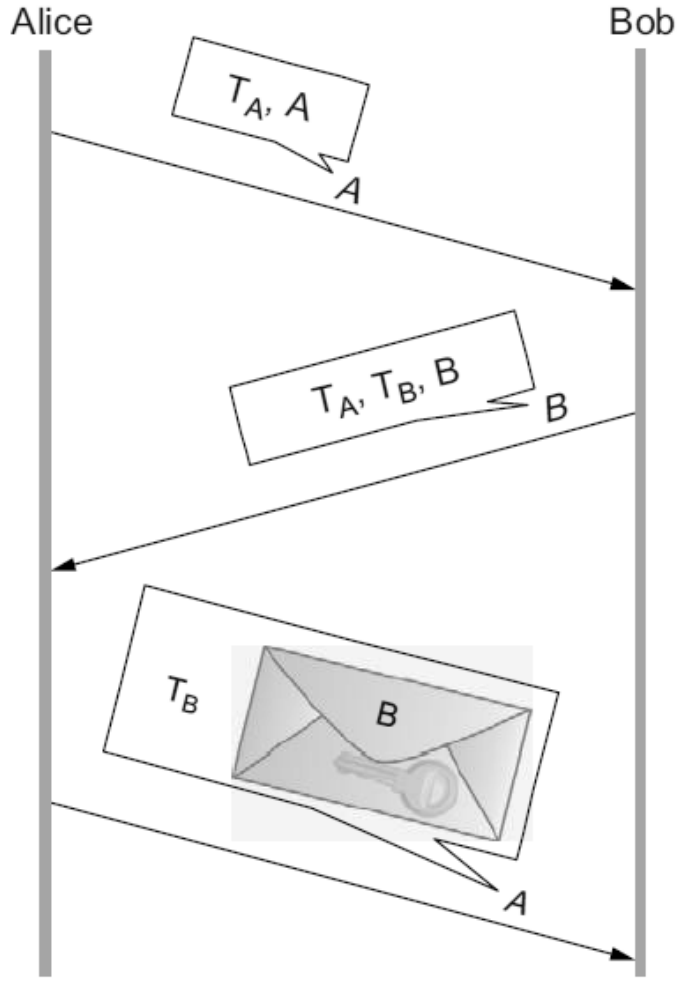


Authentication

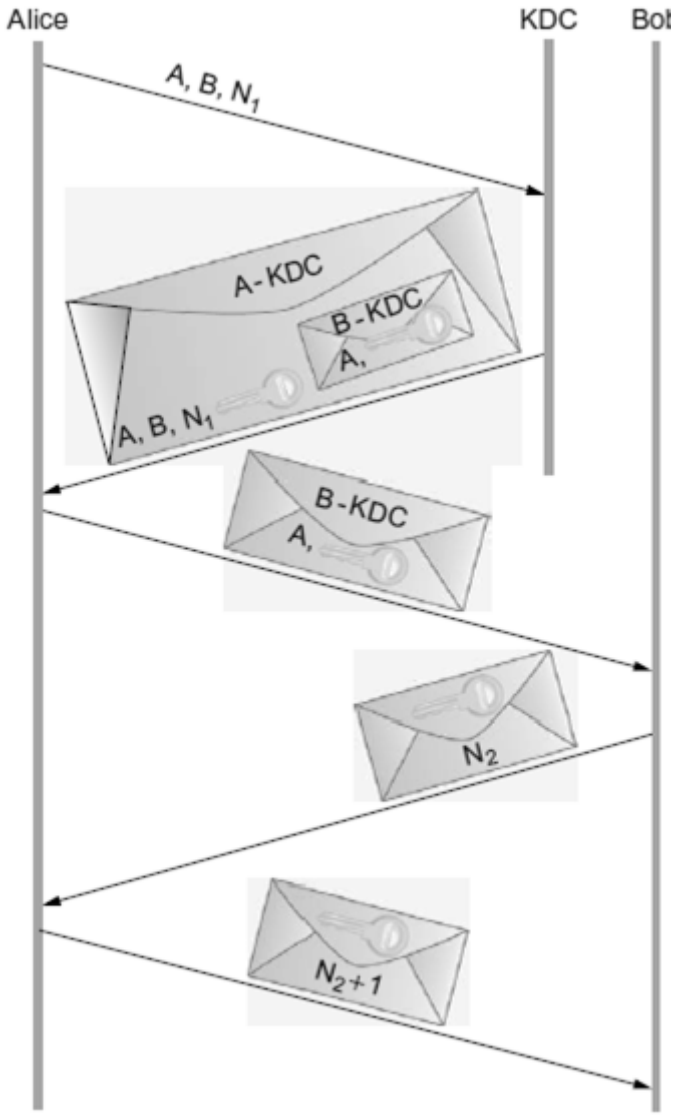
- Messages must be authenticated
  - Timely
    - Timestamp
  - From its original source
    - Authenticate the sender continuously
      - High overhead in using key predistribution methods along
      - Generating new session keys

Public-Key Authentication Protocols

- A sends its certificate and T_A to B
- B verifies A's certificate
- B sends its certificate, T_A and T_B to A
- A verifies T_A and B's certificate
- A sends T_B and uses B's public key to encrypt new session key to B
- B verifies T_B and decrypt the session key

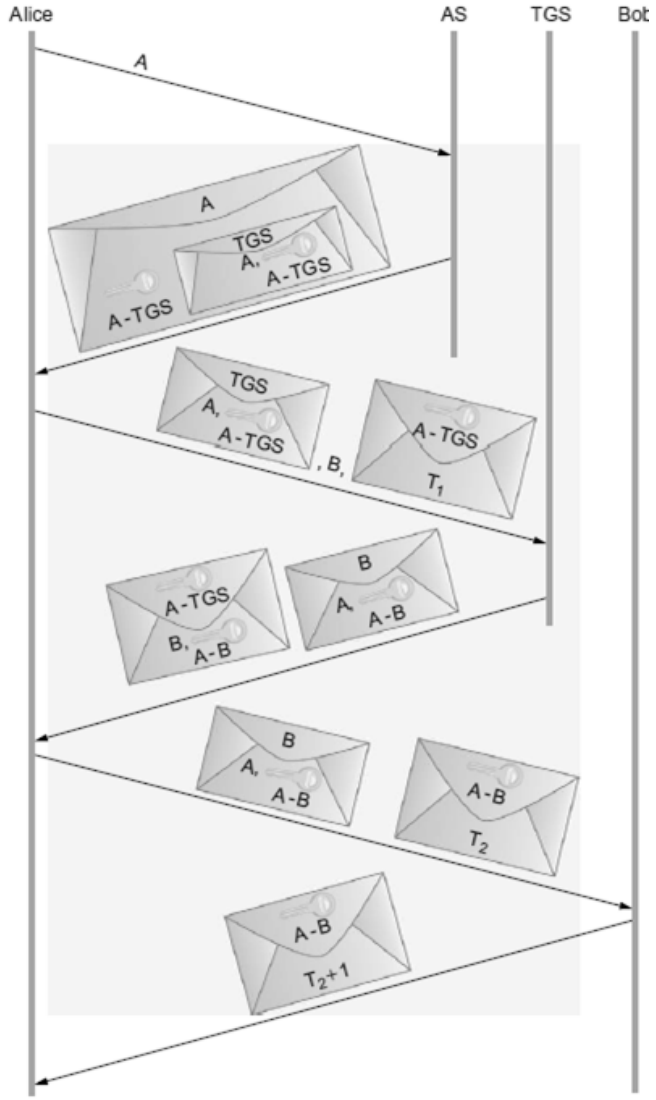


Symmetric-Key Authentication Protocols



Symmetric-Key Authentication Protocols

- Kerberos



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