

Computer System- B Security

Introduction to Cryptography

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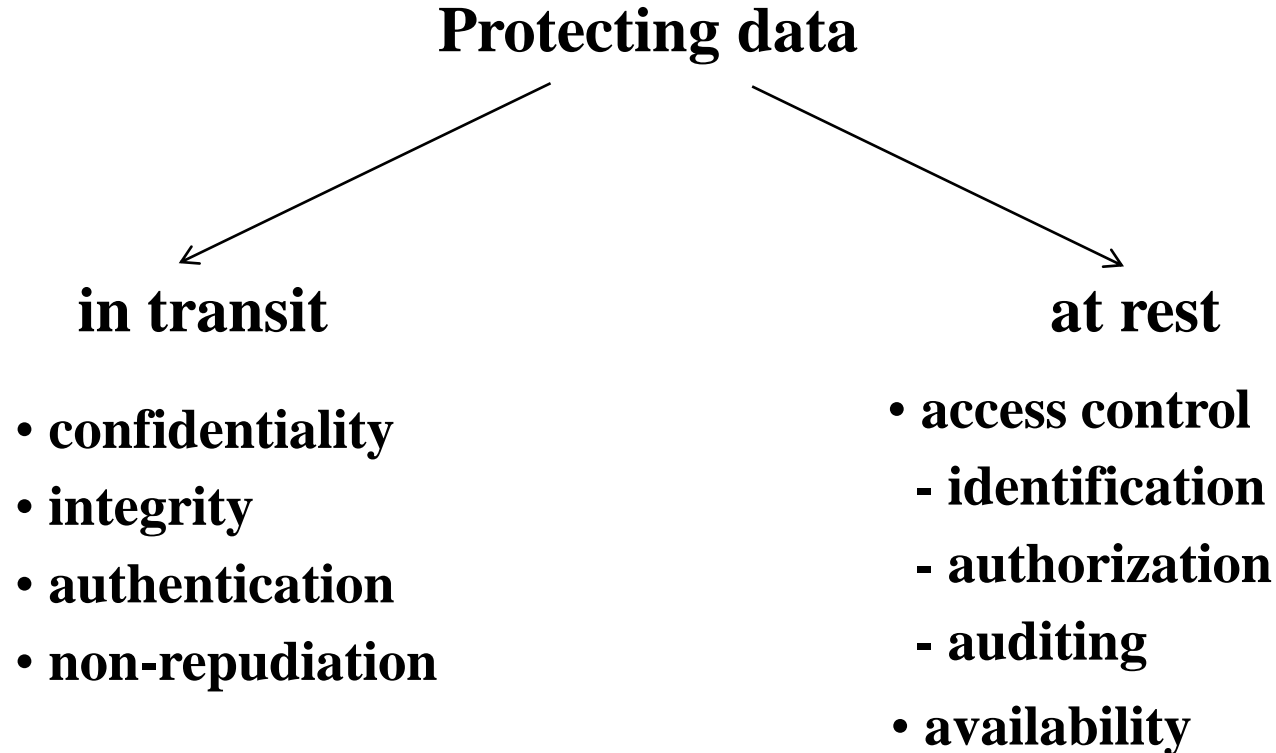


Agenda

- A non-technical brief introduction to cryptography
- Where/how/why they are used in practice (real examples to follow)
- You will have more rigorous treatment in other units
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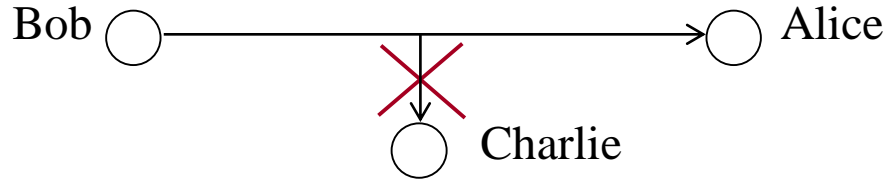


Security services

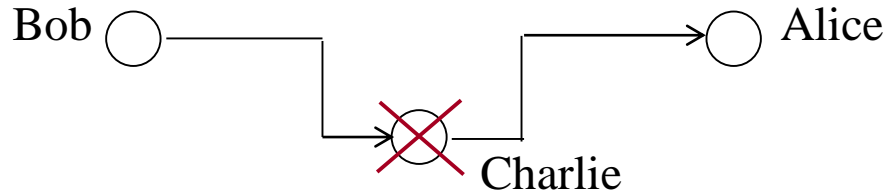


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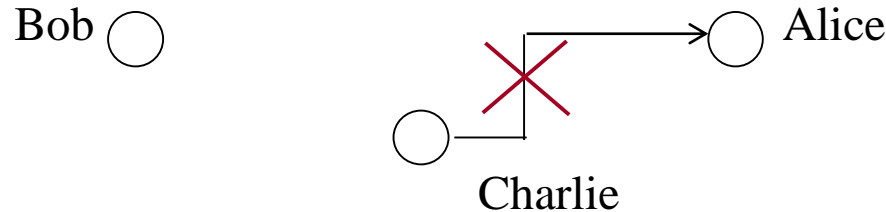
1. Confidentiality



2. Message integrity



3. Message authentication

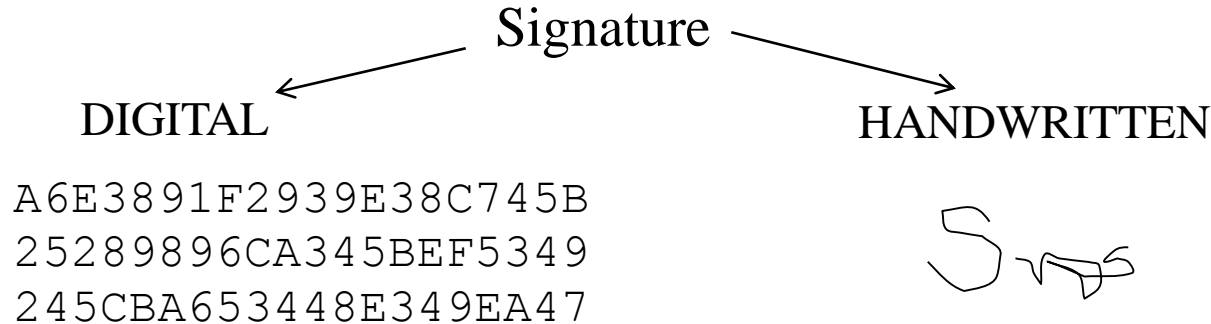


Basic Security Services (2)

4. Non-repudiation

- of sender - of receiver - mutual

Technique: *digital signature*



Main Goals:

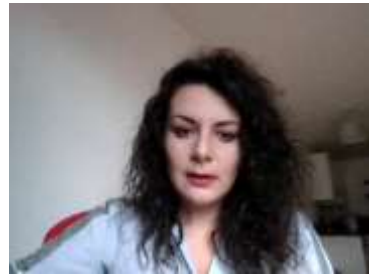
- unique identification
- proof of agreement to the contents of the document



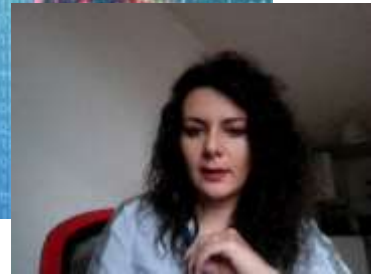
User Authentication

On the basis of

- **what you know** (passwords, PINs)
- **what you have** (magnetic card, smart card)
- **what you are** (fingerprints, handprints, voiceprints, keystroke timing, signatures, retinal scanners)



What is encryption



Encryption?

Encryption is the process of encoding information.

This process converts the original representation of the information, known as **plaintext**, into an alternative form known as **ciphertext**.





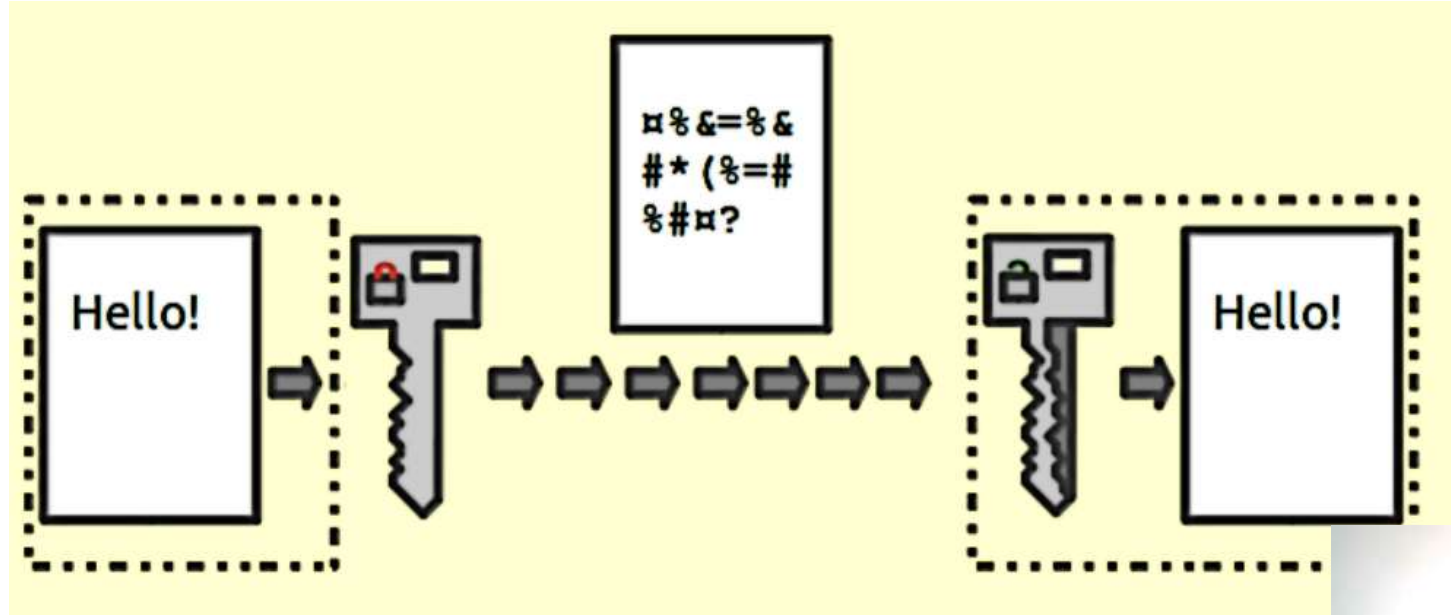




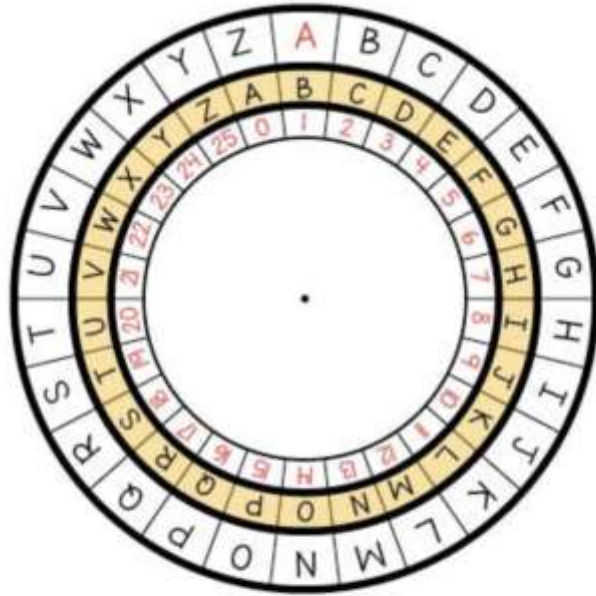
Is it something new?



How does it work?



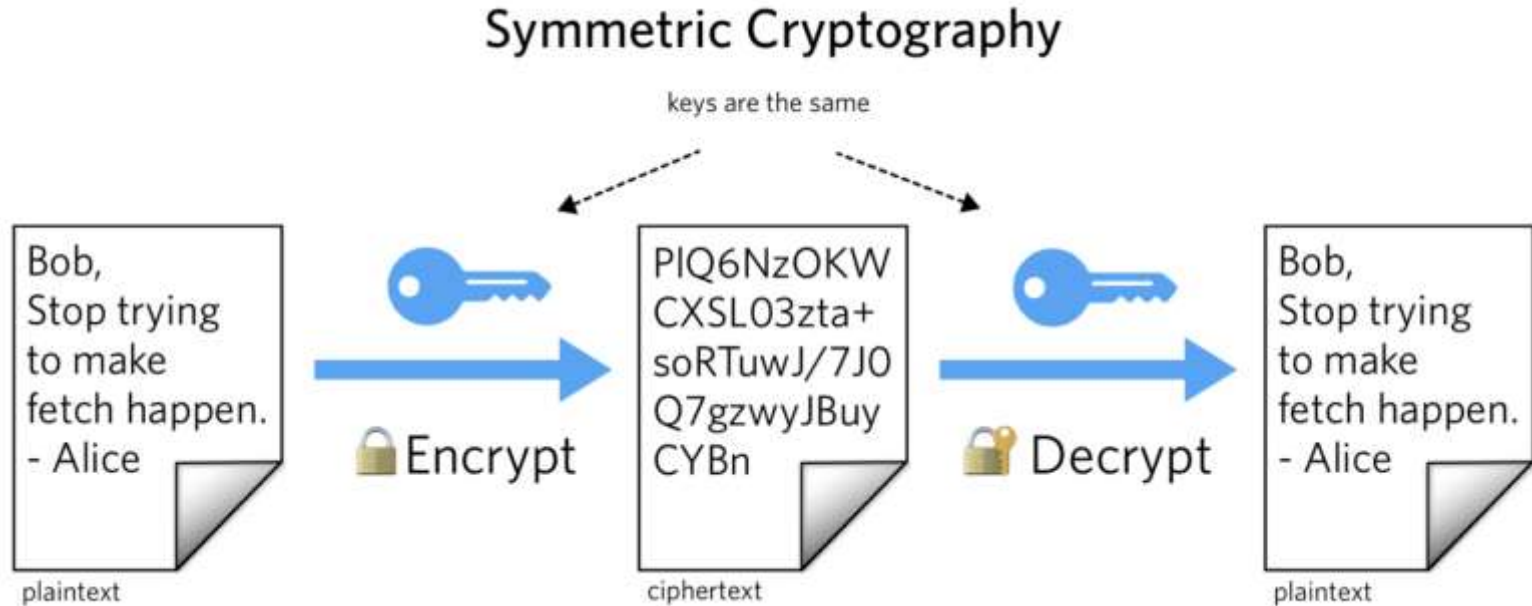
Applications?



Fun with
Caesar Shift Cipher



How does Symmetric encryption work?



Essential elements

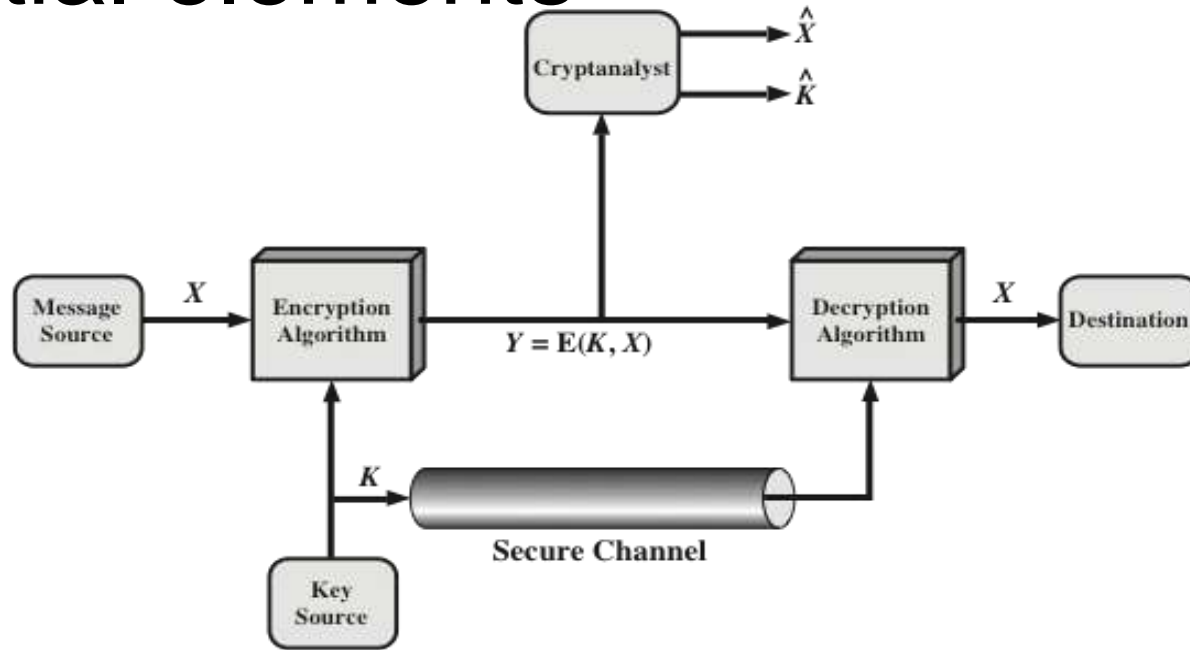
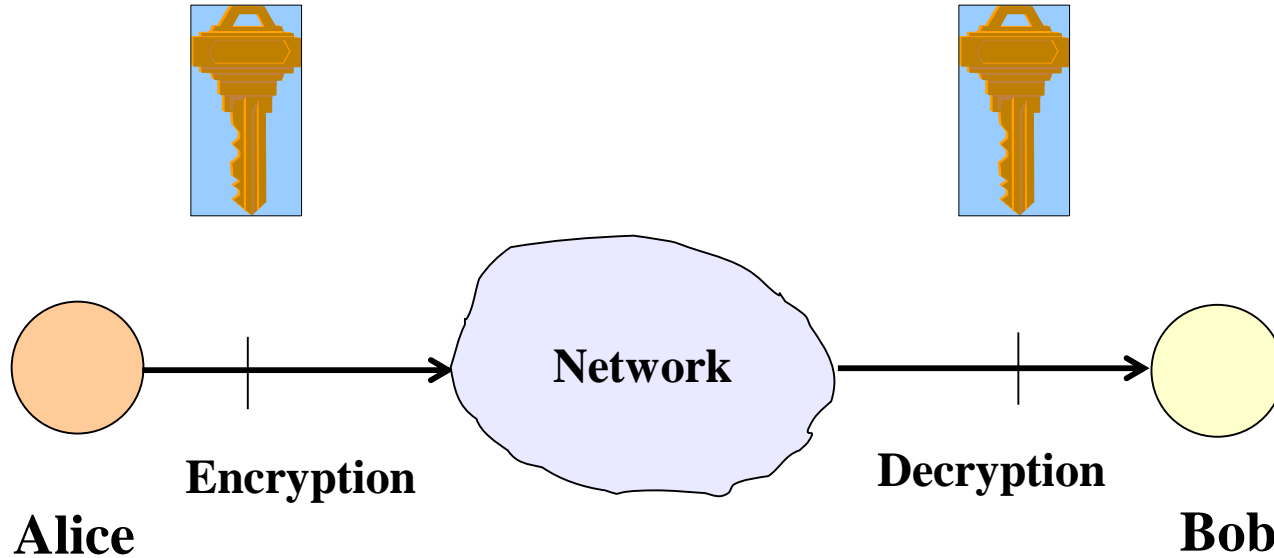


Figure 3.2 Model of Symmetric Cryptosystem

Secret-key (Symmetric) Cryptosystems

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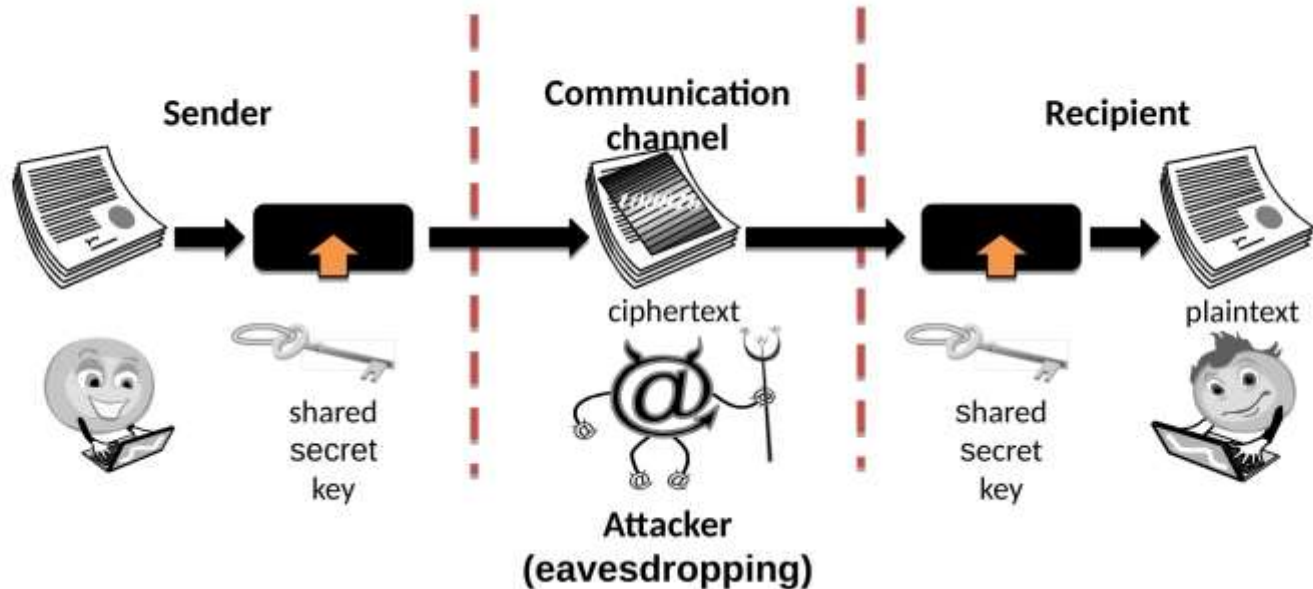


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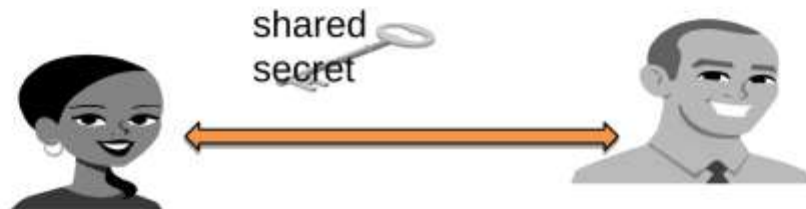
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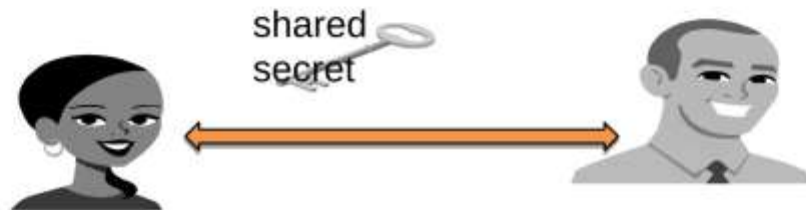
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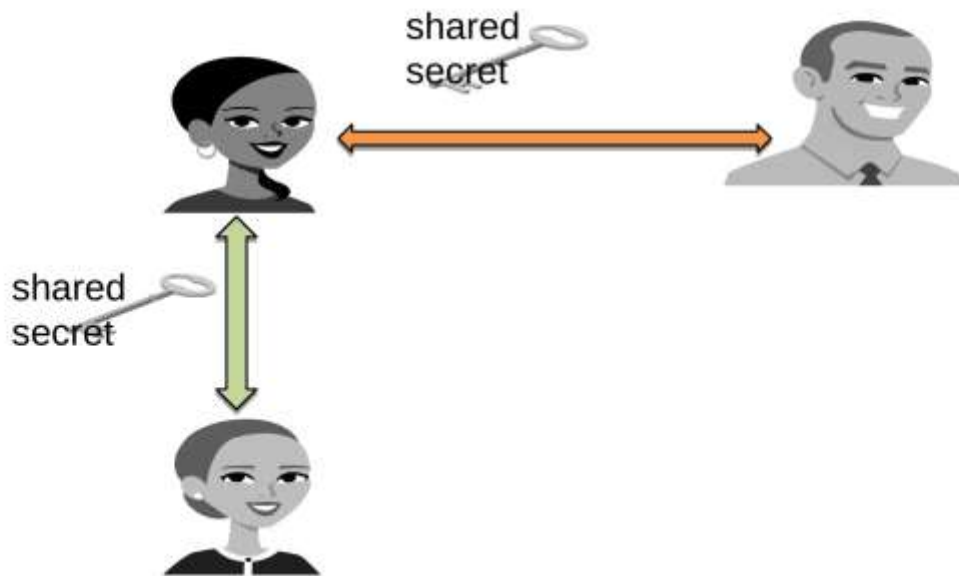
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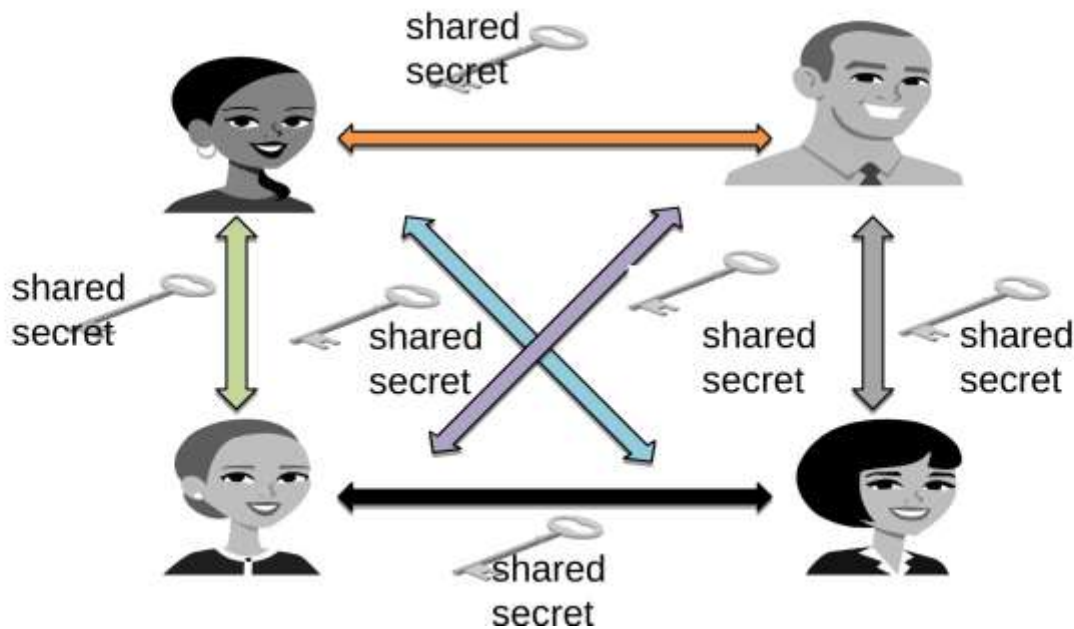
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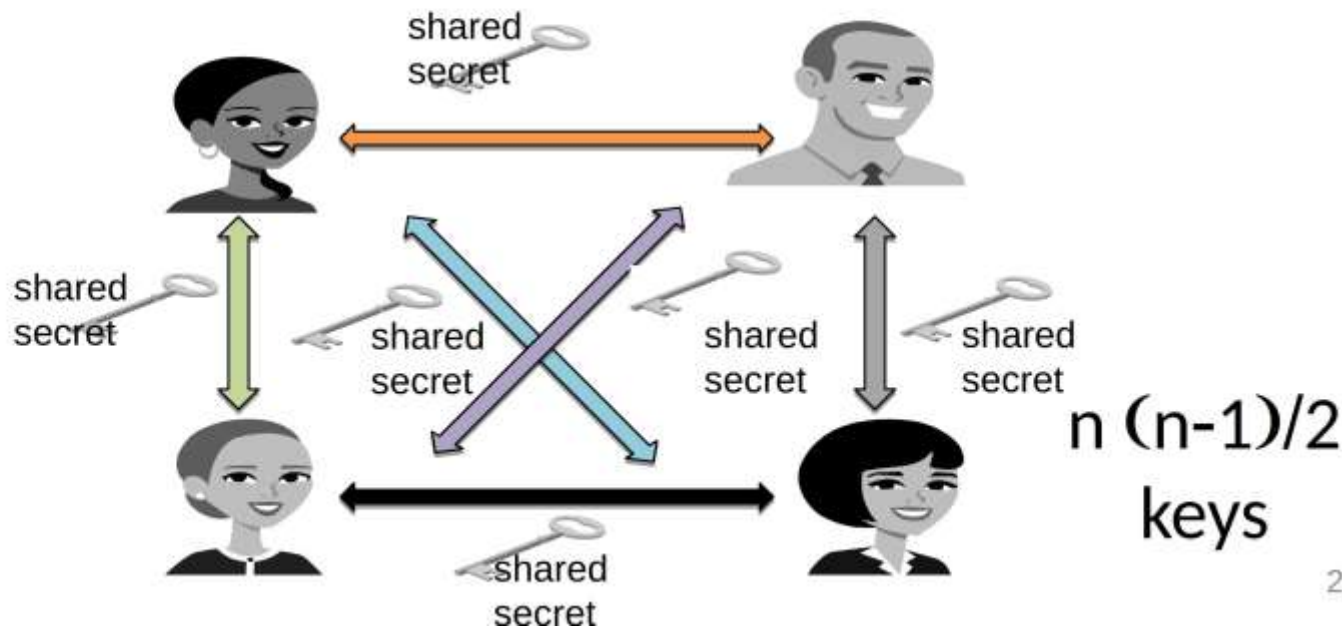
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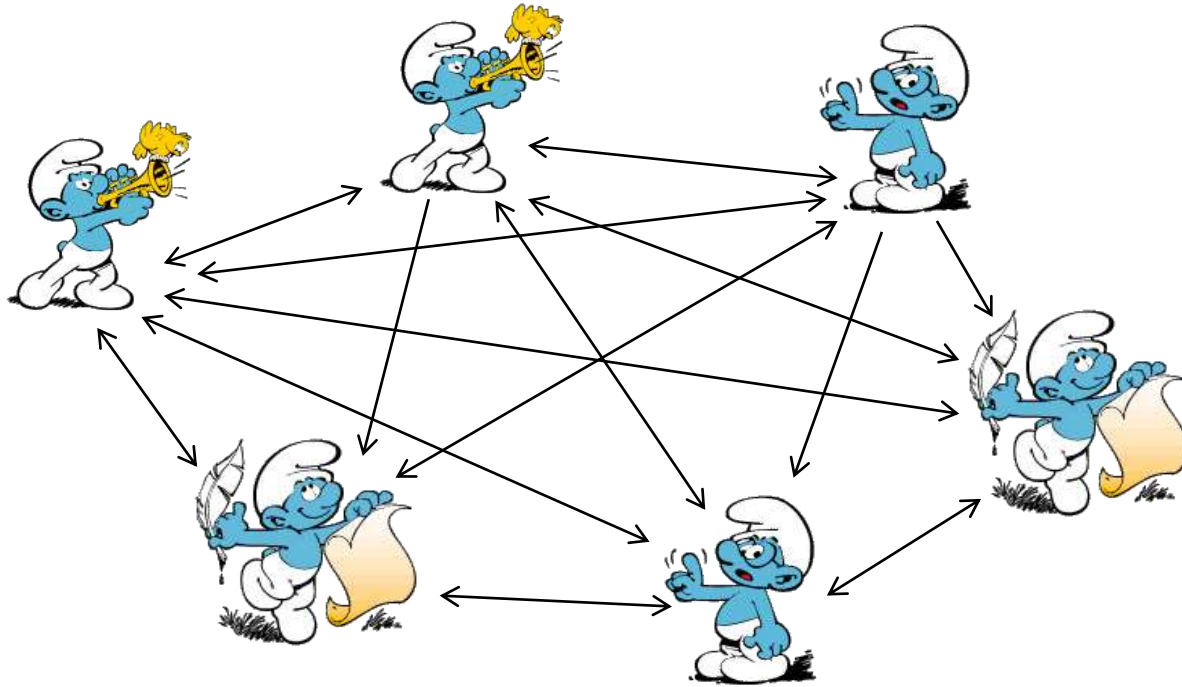


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Key Distribution Problem



N - Users \Rightarrow $\frac{N \cdot (N-1)}{2}$ **Keys**

Users	Keys
100	5,000
1000	500,000



Symmetric Key conti...

- Data Encryption Standard- DES (triple DES)
- Computationally scalable for large messages
- Hardware implementation is available.
- Advanced Encryption Standard -AES (current standard)
 - key lengths: 128, 192 and 256 bits
 - AES-NI (intel)
- Key distribution is a challenge!



Public-Key Cryptography

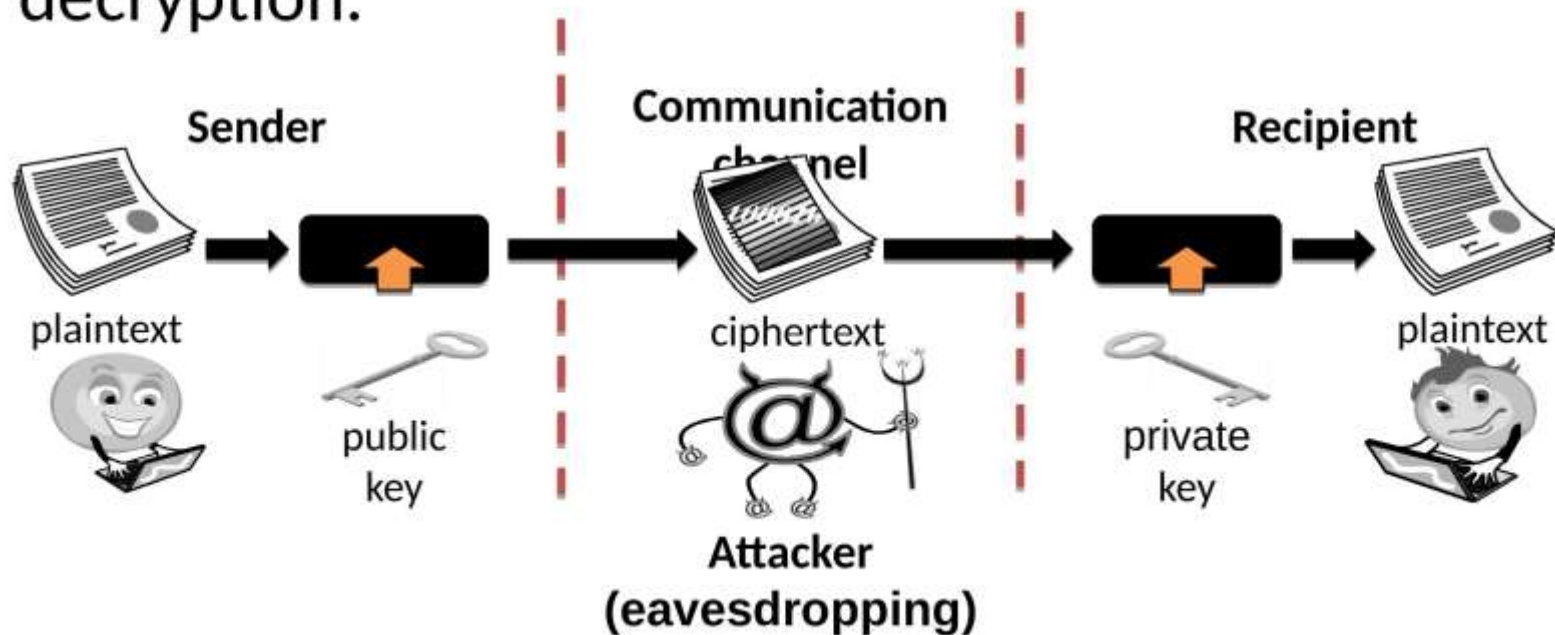
- Bob has two keys, a **private key**, S_B , which Bob keeps secret, and a **public key**, P_B , which Bob broadcasts widely.
 - In order for Alice to send an encrypted message to Bob, she need only obtain his public key, P_B , use that to encrypt her message, M , and send the result, $C = E_{P_B}(M)$, to Bob. Bob then uses his secret key to decrypt the message as $M = D_{S_B}(C)$.

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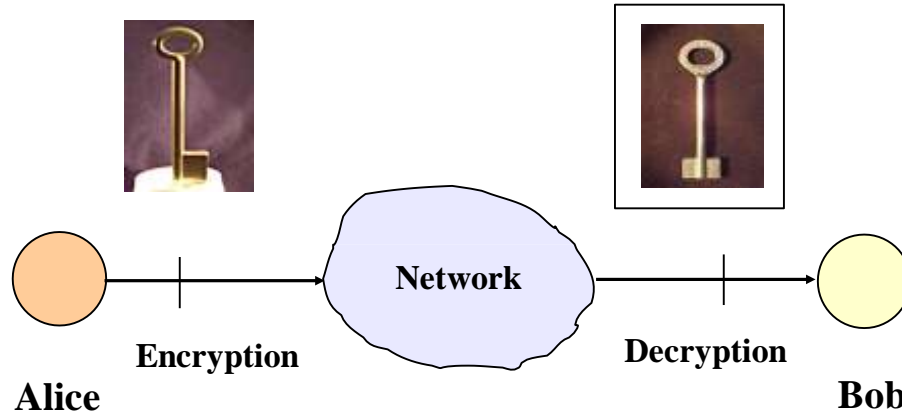
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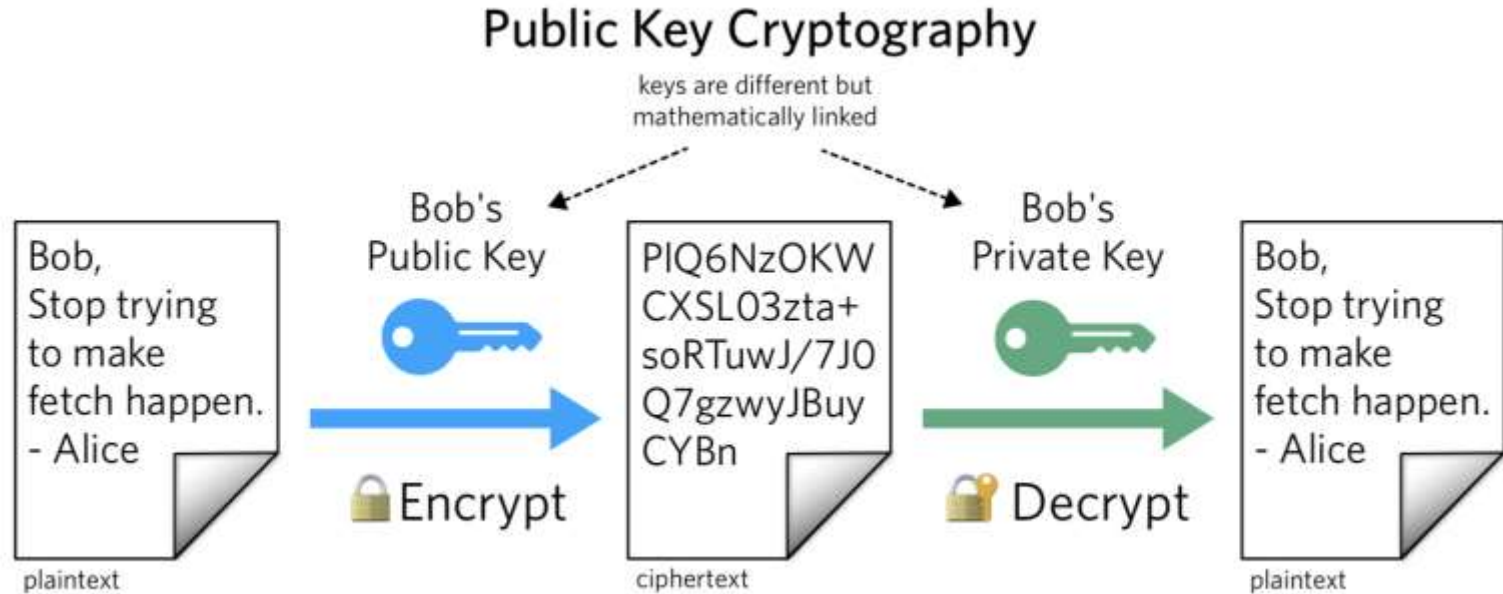
Public Key (Asymmetric) Cryptosystems

Public key of Bob - K_B

Private/Secret key of Bob - k_B



How does Asymmetric encryption work?



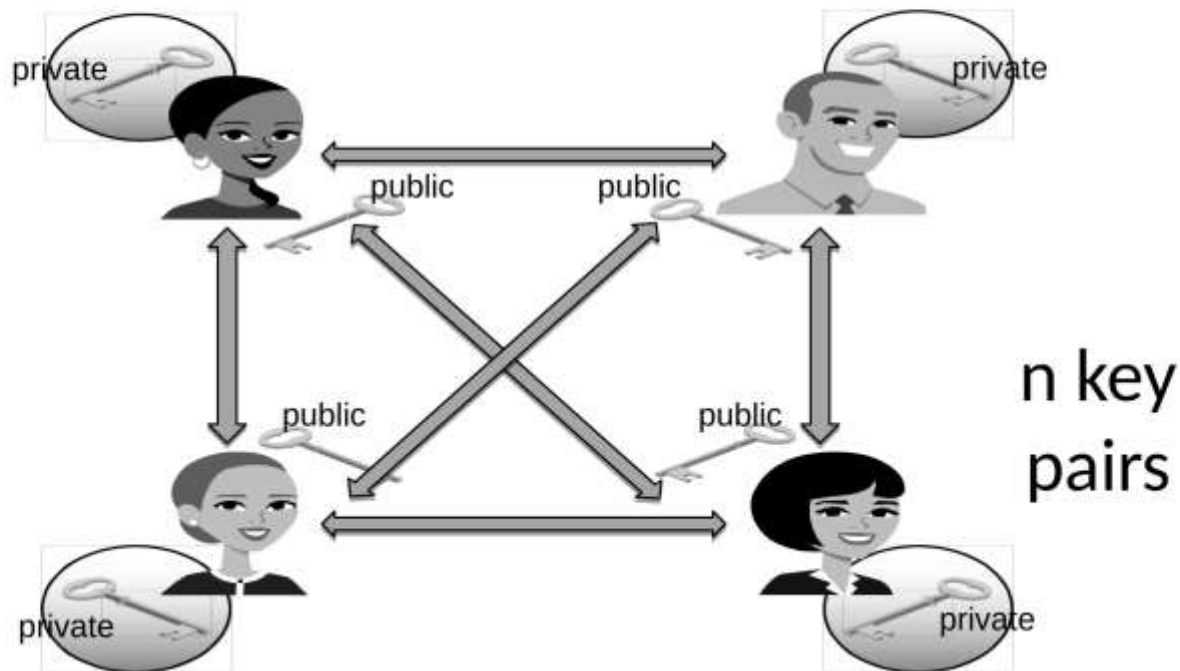
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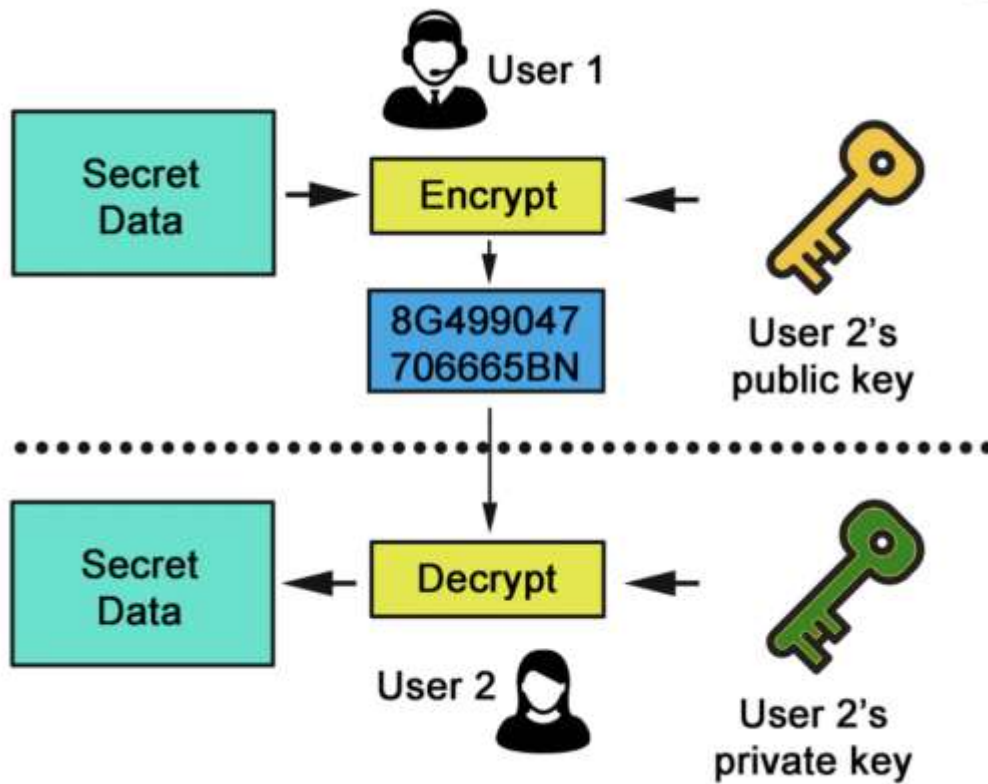
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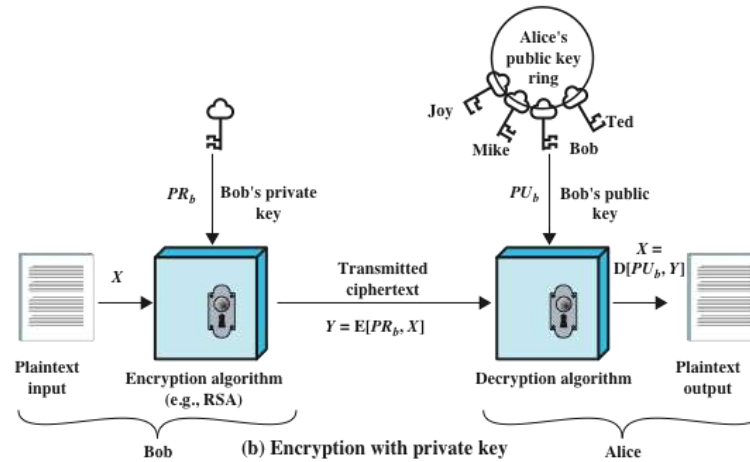
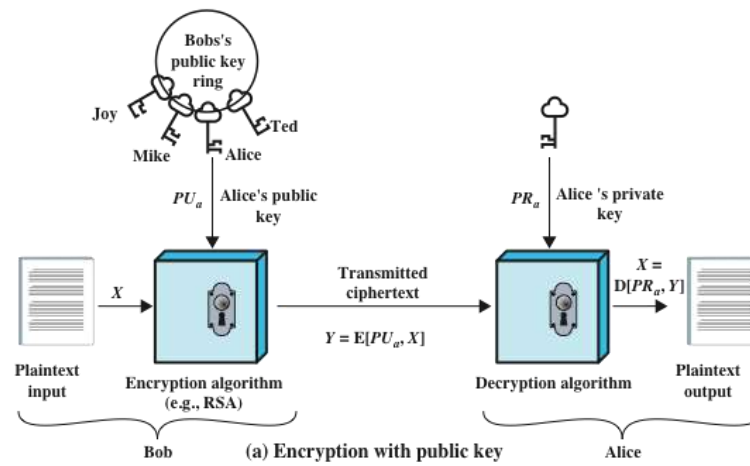
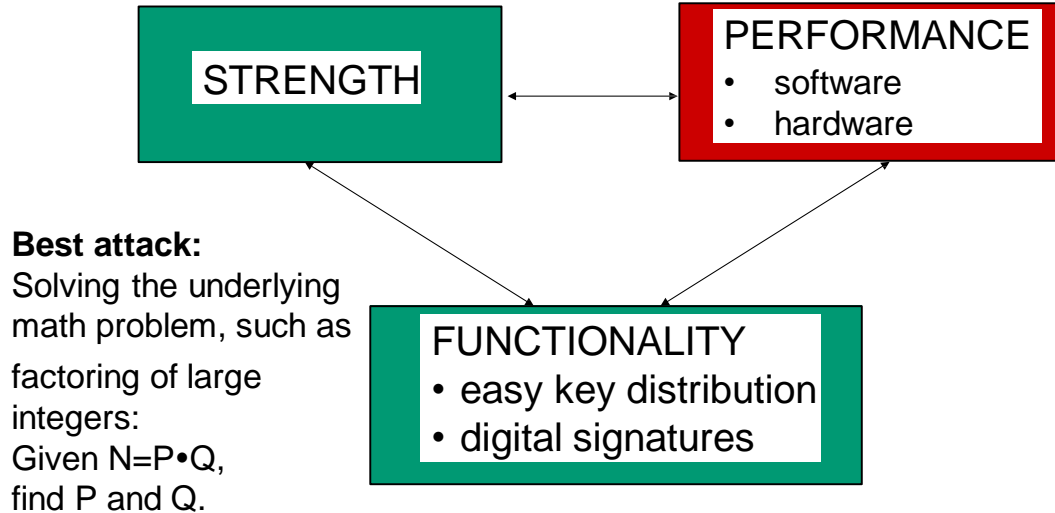


Figure 9.1 Public-Key Cryptography

Features of Public-Key Ciphers



Primary Applications: Exchange of keys for secret-key ciphers
Digital signatures



Public Key conti..

- Examples:
 - Rivest Shamir Adleman (RSA)
 - Recommended key size: 1,024 to 4,096 bit typical
 - ElGamal encryption
- Computationally very expensive
 - Handling large message is ineffecient
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Message Authentication

- So far, we covered secrecy of the message and confidentiality.
 - message authentication is concerned with:
 - protecting the integrity of a
 - message validating identity of
 - originator
 - Three alternative functions used (non-repudiation of origin (dispute resolution))
 - message encryption
 - message authentication code
 - (MAC) hash function

Message

Authentication

- Message authentication is a mechanism or service used to verify the integrity of a message.
- Message authentication assures that data received are exactly as sent by (i.e., contain no modification, insertion, deletion, or replay) and
- that the purported identity of the sender is valid



Authentication Functions

- Message encryption: The ciphertext of the entire message serves as its authenticator
- Message authentication code (MAC): A function of the *message and a secret key that produces a fixed-length value* that serves as the authenticator
- Hash function: A function that maps a *message of any length into a fixed-length hash value*, which serves as the authenticator

Message Authentication Code

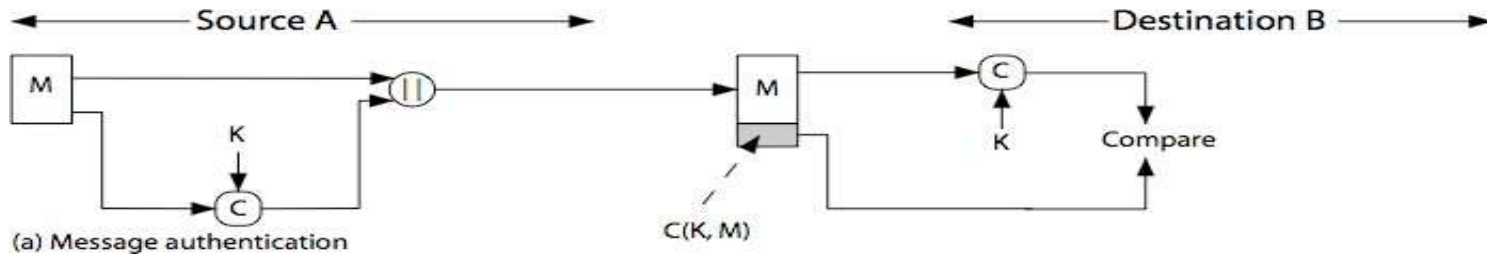
(MAC)

- Allows for Alice and Bob to have data integrity, if they share a secret key.

Generated by an algorithm that creates a small fixed-sized block depending on both message M and some secret key K s.t. $MAC = C(K, M)$, where

- message $C =$
 - MAC function
 - K = shared secret key
- Appended to message as a signature code
- Receiver performs same computation on message and checks it matches the MAC
- Provides assurance that message is unaltered and comes from sender

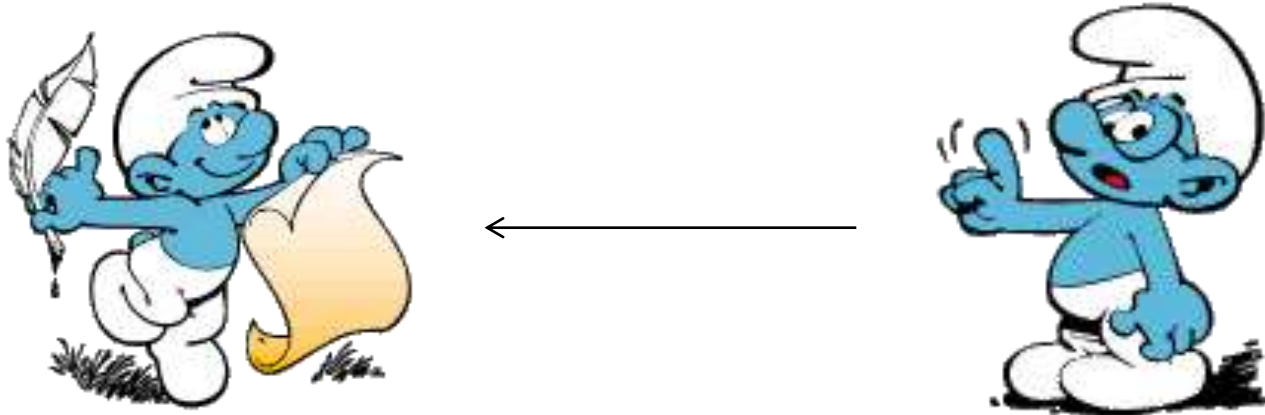
MAC conti...



Digital Signatures

- Public-key encryption provides a method for doing digital signatures
- To sign a message, M , Alice just encrypts it with her private key, S_A , creating $C = E_{S_A}(M)$.
- Anyone can decrypt this message using Alice's public key, as $M' = D_{P_A}(C)$, and compare that to the message M .

Digital Signature Problem



Both corresponding sides have the same information and are able to generate a signature

There is a possibility of the

- . receiver falsifying the message**
- . sender denying that he/she sent the message**



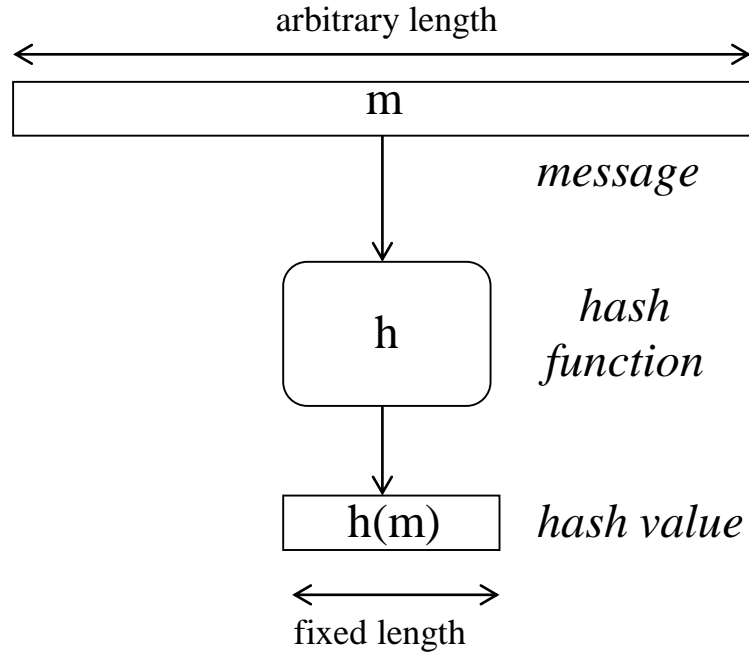
Cryptographic Hash

Functions

- A checksum on a message, M , that is:
- **One-way**: it should be easy to compute $Y=H(M)$, but hard to find M given only Y
- **Collision-resistant**: it should be hard to find two messages, M and N , such that
- $H(M)=H(N)$.

Examples: SHA-1, SHA-256.

Hash function



Hash functions

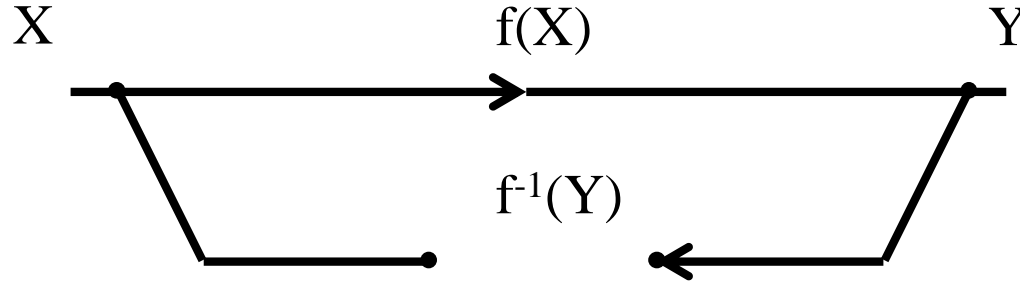
Security requirements

It is computationally infeasible

Property	Given	To Find
One-way	$h(m)$	m
Weak collision resistant	m and $h(m)$	$m' \neq m$, such that $h(m') = h(m)$
Strong collision resistant		$m' \neq m$, such that $h(m') = h(m)$



One-way function



EXAMPLE:

$$f: Y=f(X) = A^X \bmod P$$

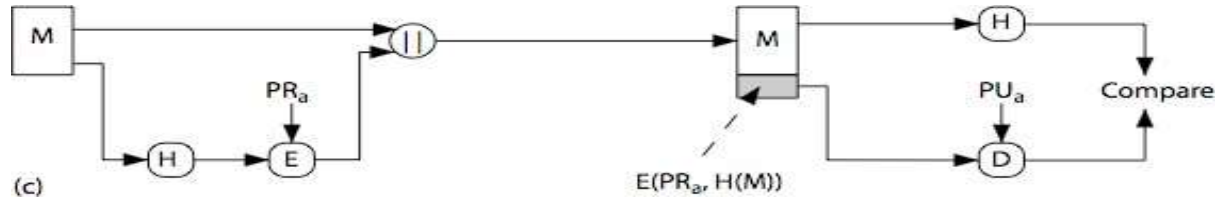
where P and A are constants, P is a large prime,

A is an integer smaller than P

Number of bits of P	Average number of multiplications necessary to compute	
	f	f^{-1}
1000	1500	10^{30}



Application of Hash



Public Distribution of Secret Keys

- Public-key algorithms are slow
- *So we usually want to use symmetric key encryption to protect message contents* Hence need to share secret
- (session) key

There are alternatives for negotiating a suitable session

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- First public key type scheme proposed by Diffie & Hellman in 1976 along with the exposition of public key concepts¹
- Practical method for public exchange of a secret
- key

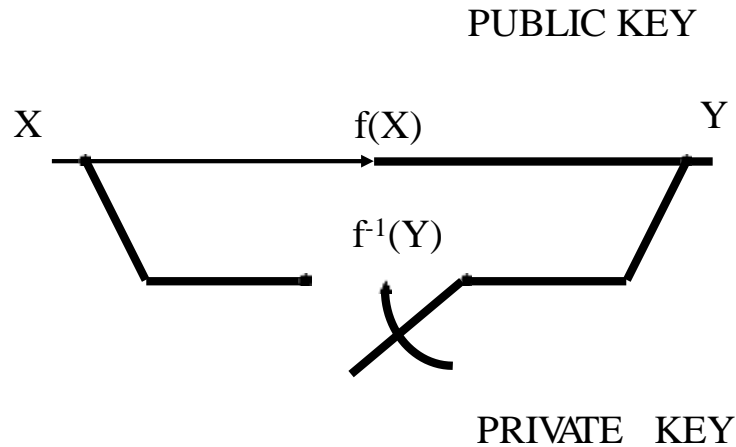
Used in a number of real-world commercial products/protocols

1. Now know that Williamson (UK CESG) secretly proposed the concept in 1970

Trap-door one-way function

Whitfield Diffie and Martin Hellman

"New directions in cryptography," 1976



Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- a public key distribution scheme that can be used to exchange an arbitrary message rather it can establish a common key
- value of key depends on the participants (and their private and public key information)
- security relies on the difficulty of computing discrete logarithms (similar to factoring) – hard



Alice



Bob

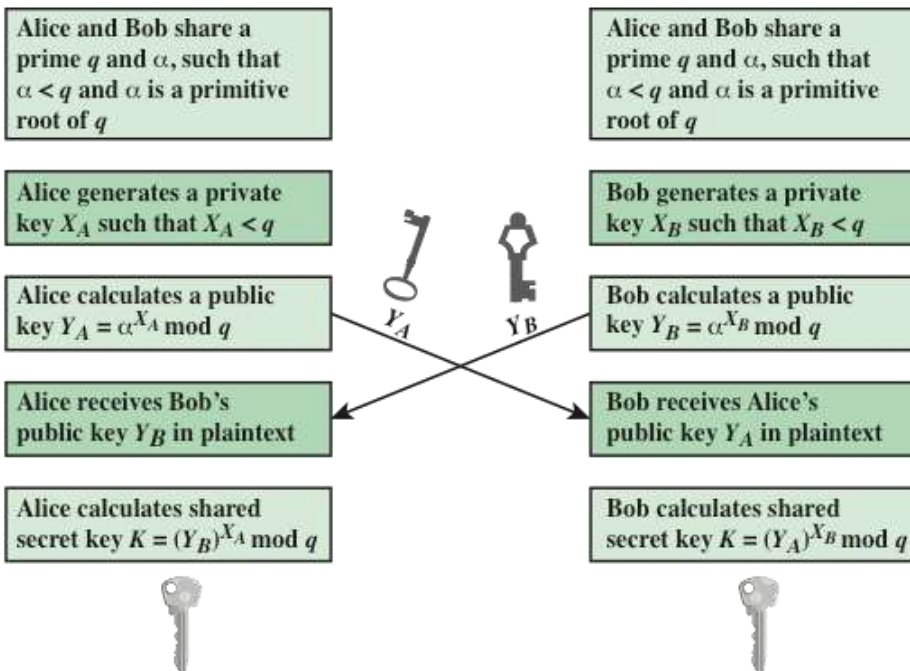


Figure 10.1 Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange