

# Internettværk og Web-programmering

## Security in computer networks

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# Agenda

**8.1 What is network security?**

**8.2** Principles of cryptography

**8.4** Authentication

**8.3** Message integrity

**8.6** Securing TCP connections: SSL

**8.7** Network layer security: IPsec

# What is Network Security?

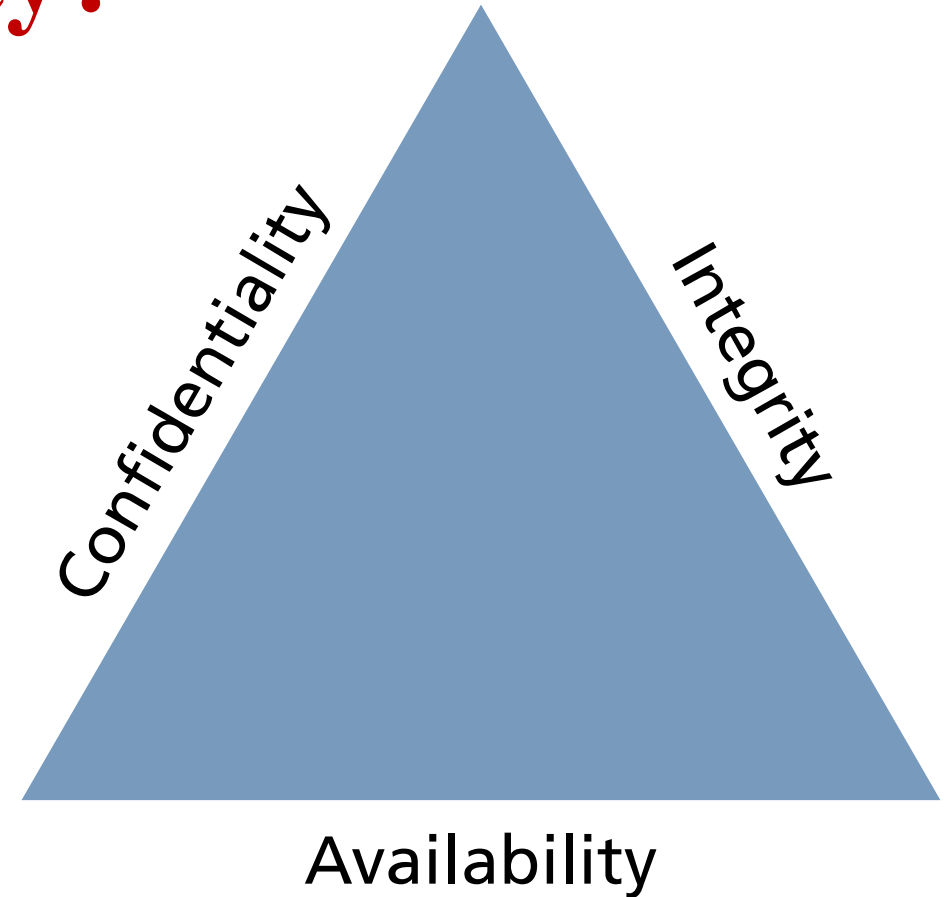
**confidentiality:** only sender, intended receiver should “understand” message contents

- sender encrypts message
- receiver decrypts message

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

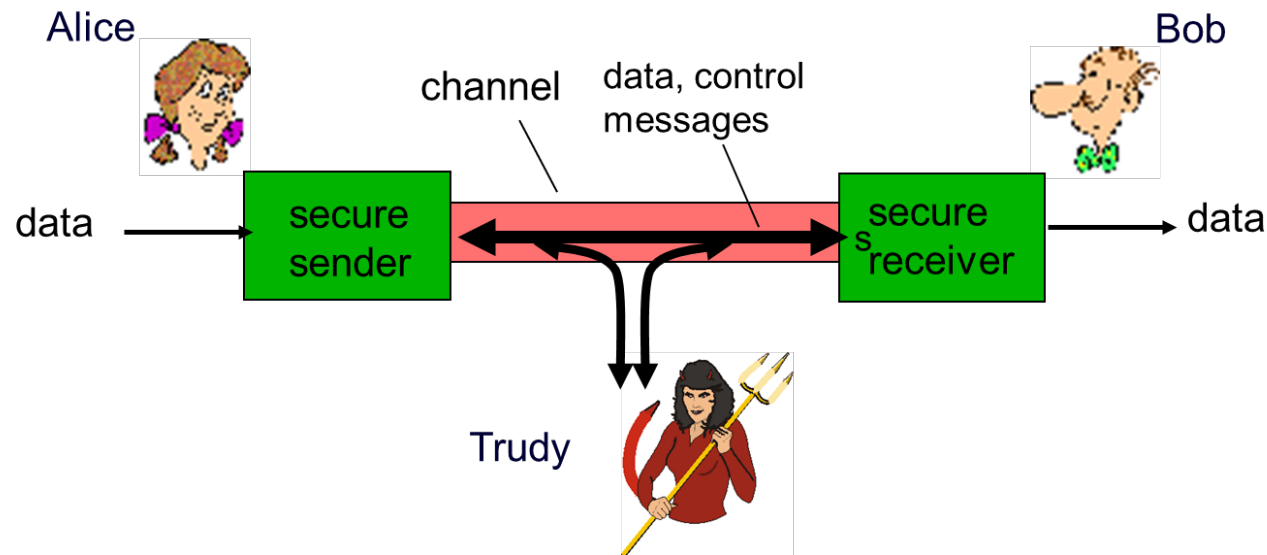
**message integrity:** sender, receiver want to ensure message not altered (in transit, or afterwards) without detection

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



# Friends and Enemies: Alice, Bob, Trudy

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



# What can a “bad person” do?

Broadly, threats can be categorized using the STRIDE mnemonic

- **Spoofing**—The attacker uses someone else’s information to access the system.
- **Tampering**—The attacker modifies some data in nonauthorized ways.
- **Repudiation**—The attacker removes all trace of their attack, so that they cannot be held accountable for other damages done.
- **Information disclosure**—The attacker accesses data they should not be able to.
- **Denial of service**—The attacker prevents real users from accessing the systems.
- **Elevation of privilege**—The attacker increases their privileges on the system thereby getting access to things they are not authorized to do.

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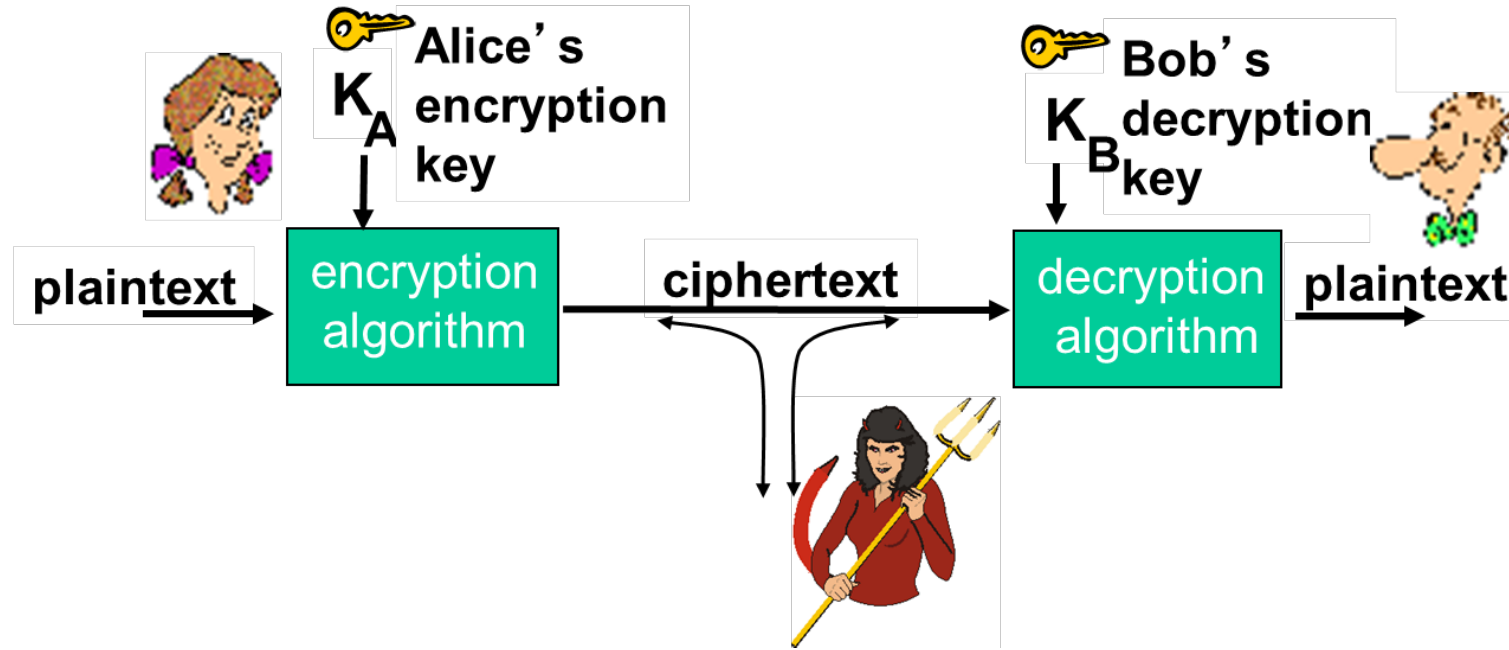
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# The Language of Cryptography



$m$  plaintext message

$K_A(m)$  ciphertext, encrypted with key  $K_A$

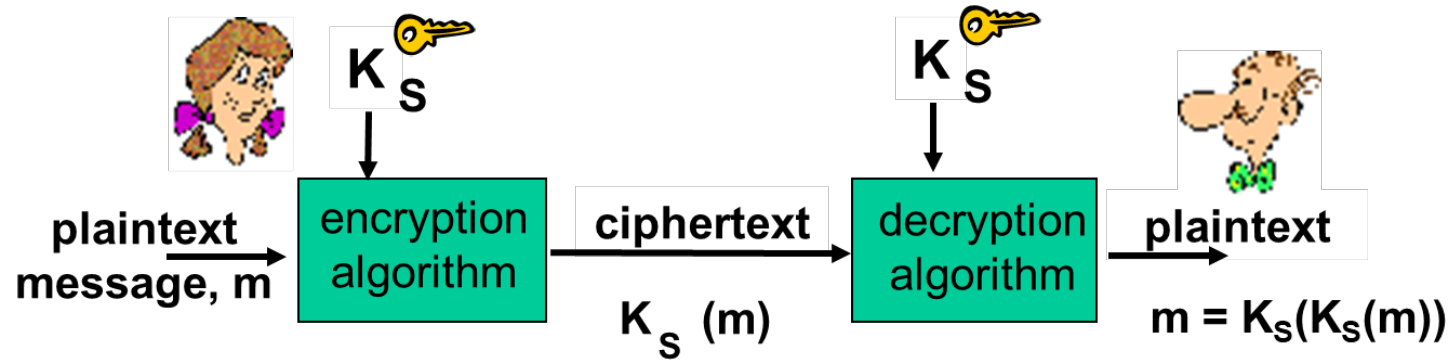
$$m = K_B(K_A(m))$$

# 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
  - Trudy knows both  $m$  and  $K_A(m)$
- **chosen-plaintext attack:**  
Trudy can get ciphertext for chosen plaintext



# Symmetric Key Cryptography



**symmetric key crypto:** Bob and Alice share same (symmetric) key:  $K_s$

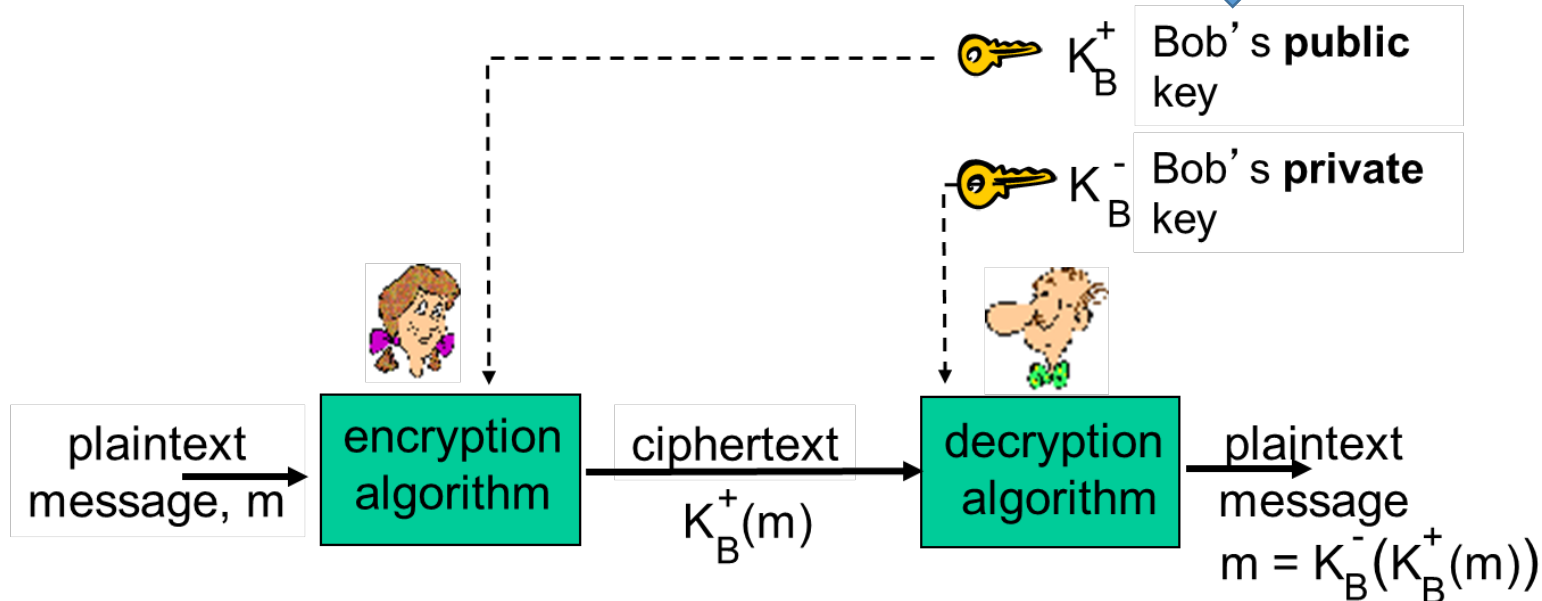
- e.g., key is knowing substitution pattern in mono alphabetic substitution cipher, DES, AES

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

# 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”)?



- 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

# Public Key Encryption Algorithms

requirements:

1. need  $k_B^+(\cdot)$  and  $k_B^-(\cdot)$  such that

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

2. given public key  $k_B^+$ , it should be impossible to compute private key  $k_B^-$

Important example:

- **RSA**: Rivest, Shamir, Adelson algorithm

# 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!**

# RSA in Practice: Session Keys

- mathematical operations in RSA are 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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Failure scenario??



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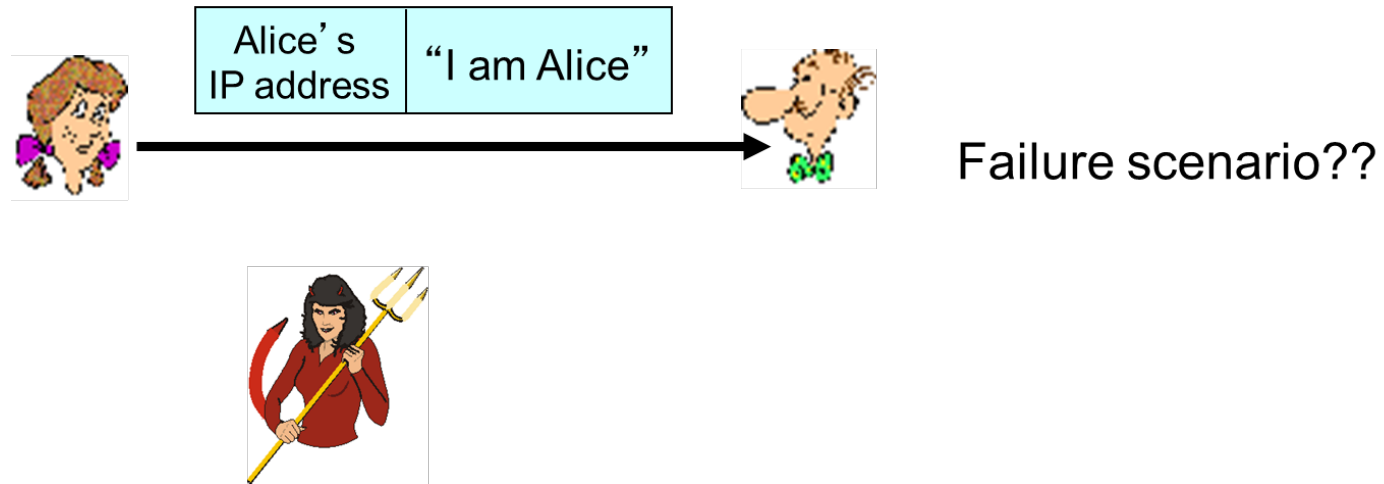
“I am Alice”

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



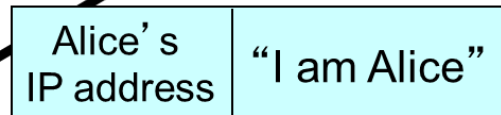
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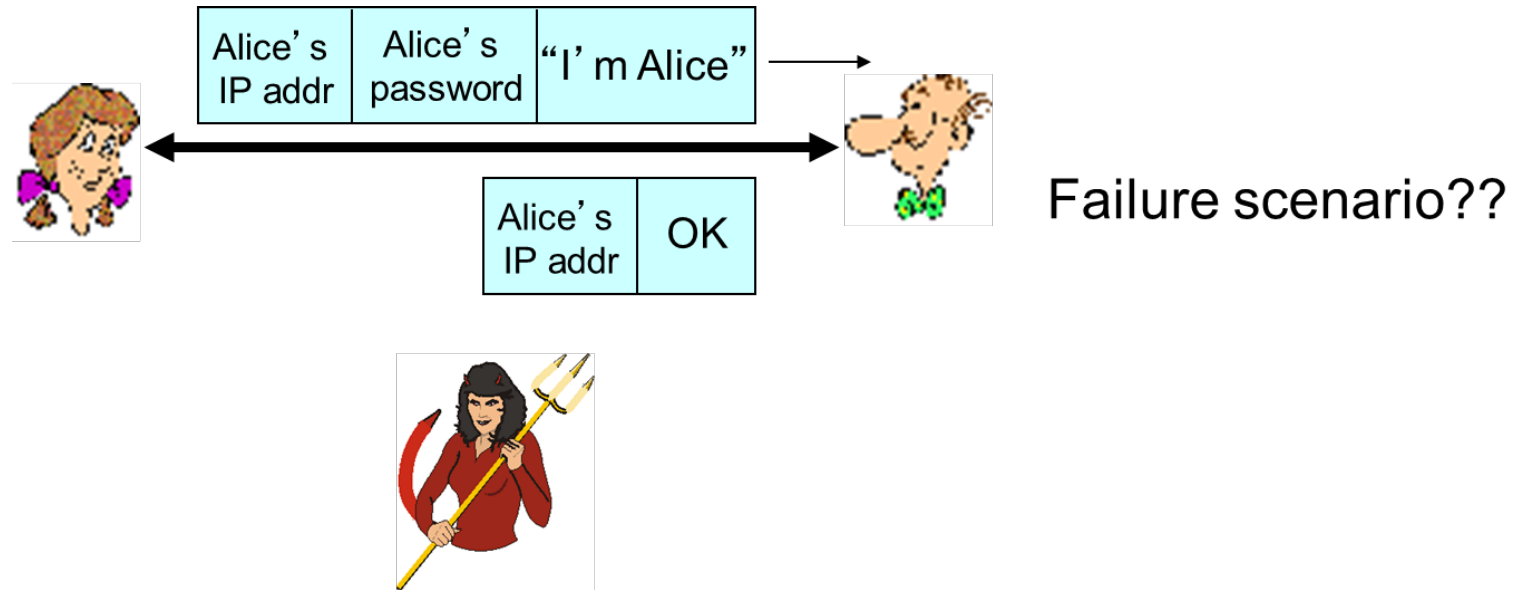
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Trudy can create  
a packet  
“spoofing”  
Alice's address

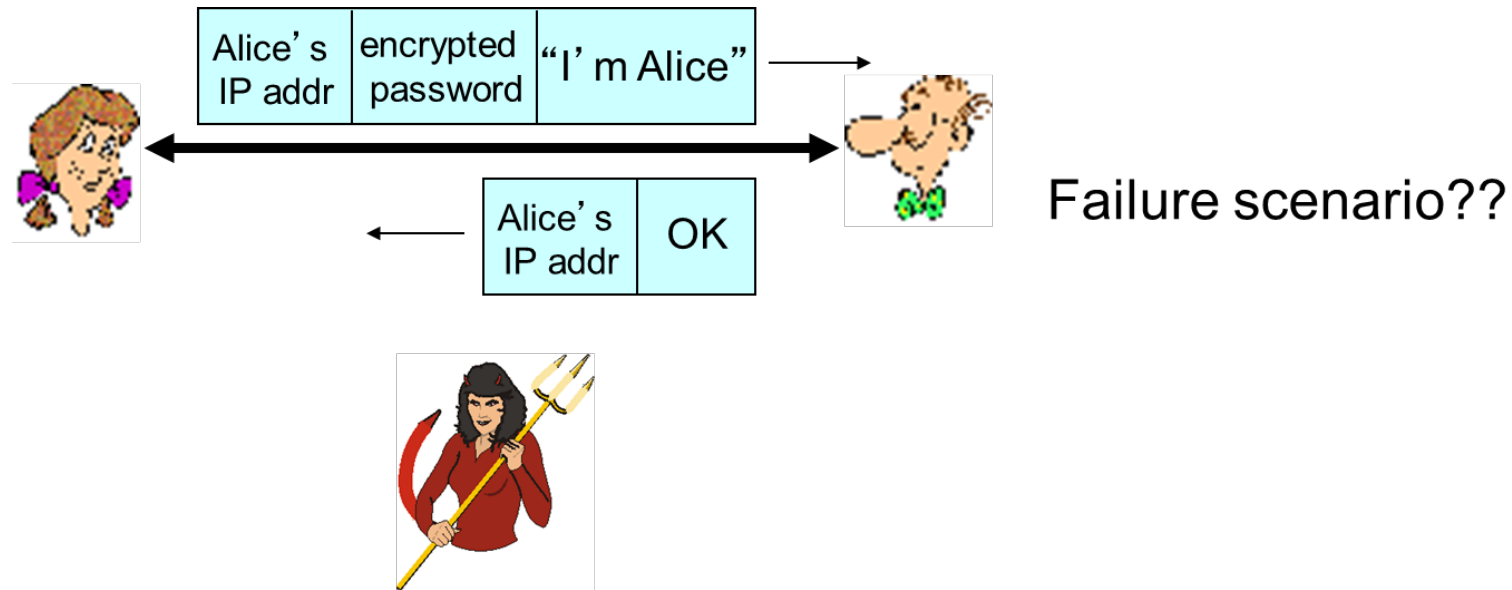
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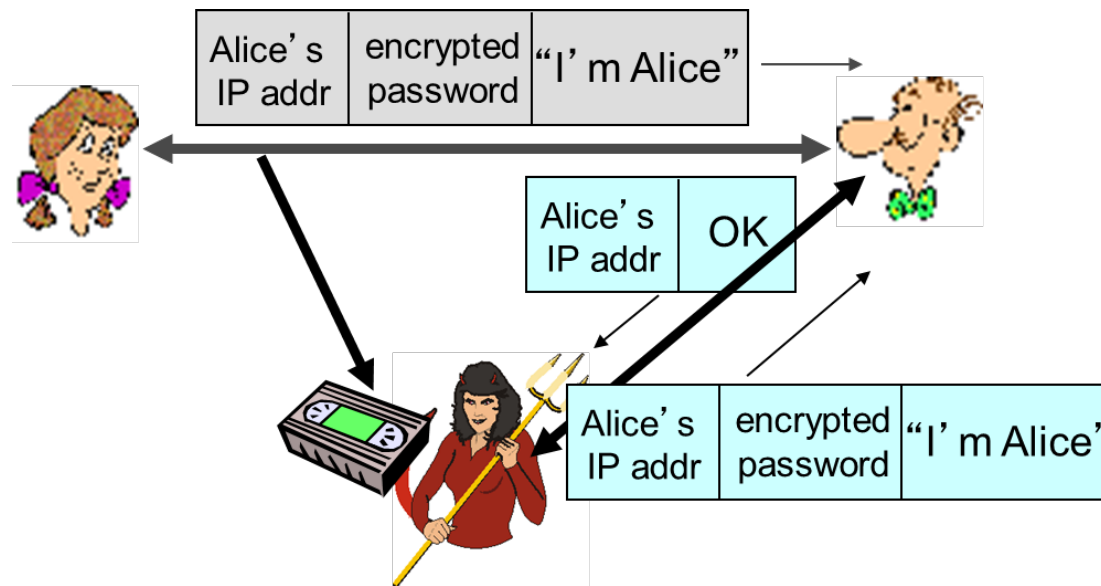
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# Authentication: encrypt the password (2 of 2)

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The attacker doesn’t learn Alice’s password, but it does not need it.



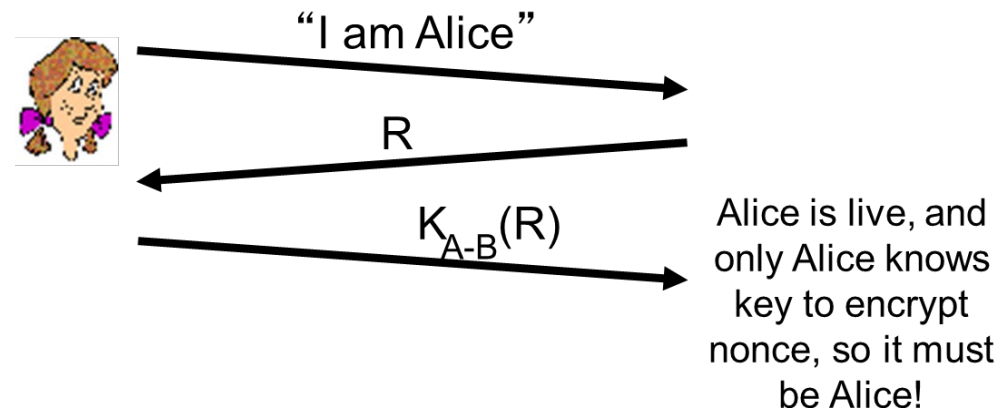
record and  
playback **still**  
works!

# Authentication: use a nonce

**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?

Hint for failure: Trudy waits that Bob tries to authenticate with “Alice”

Hint for drawbacks: key management and dissemination

# Authentication: nonce + public key

ap4.0 required a shared symmetric key

- can we authenticate using public key techniques?

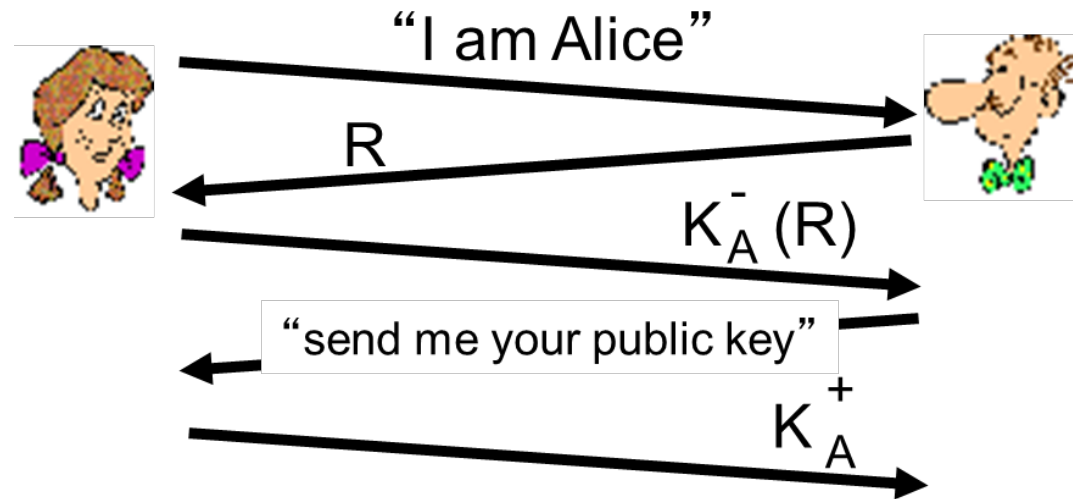
**ap5.0:** use nonce, public key cryptography

Bob computes

$$k_A^+ (k_A^- (R)) = R$$

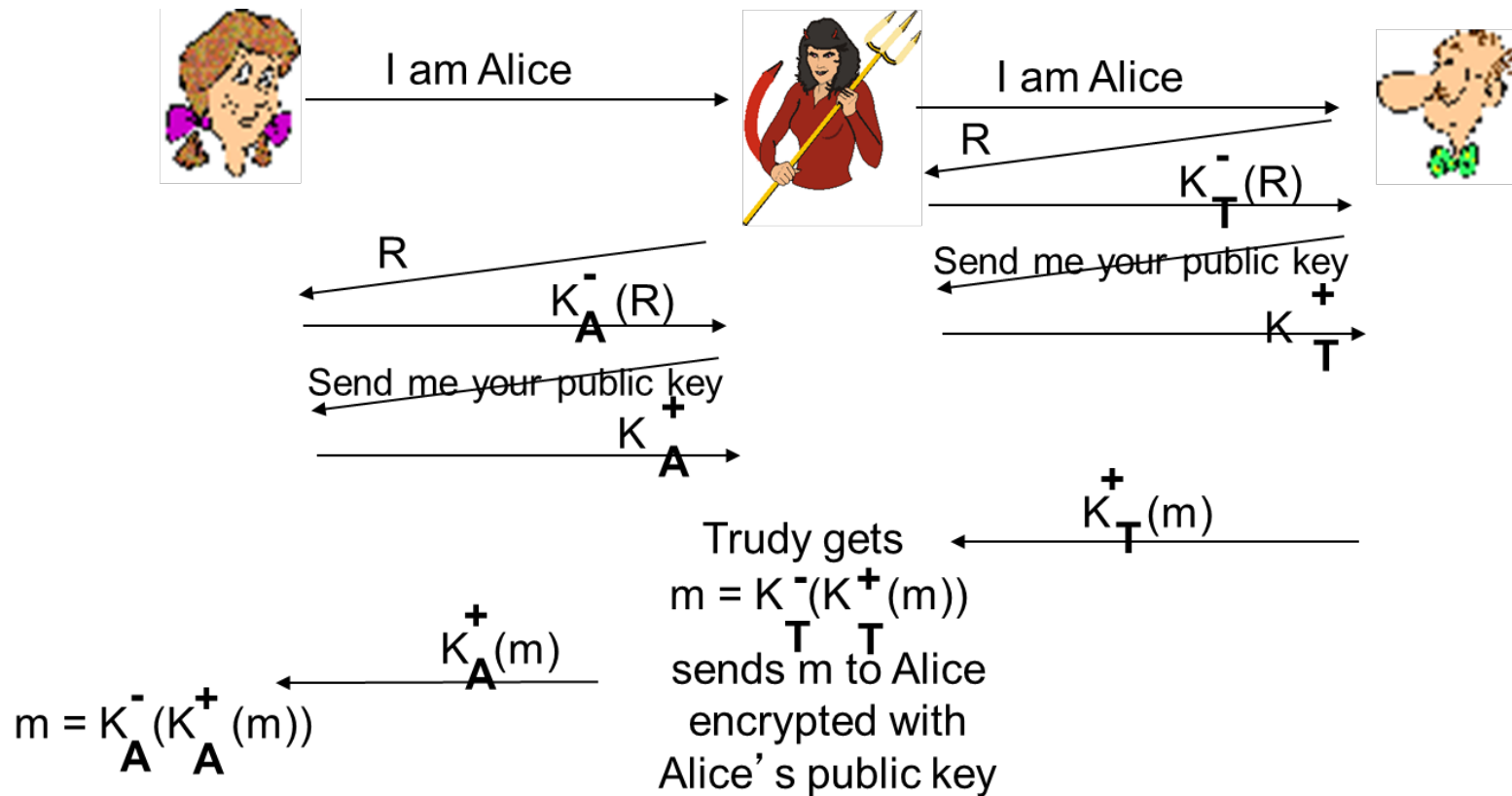
and knows only Alice  
could have the  
private key, that  
encrypted R such  
that

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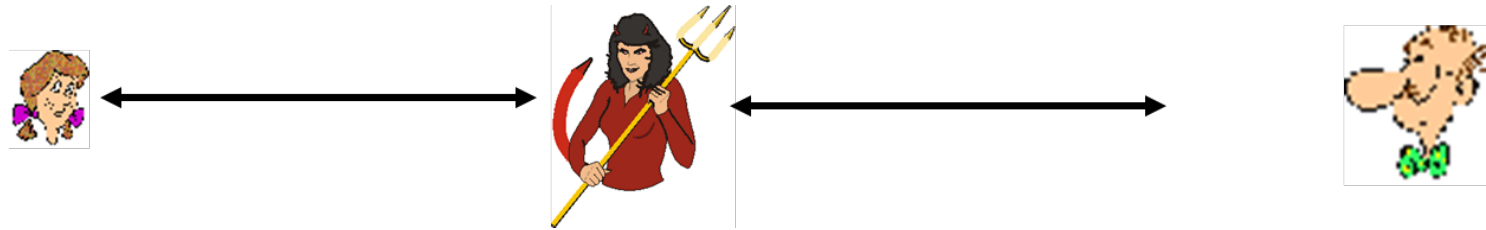
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difficult to detect:

- 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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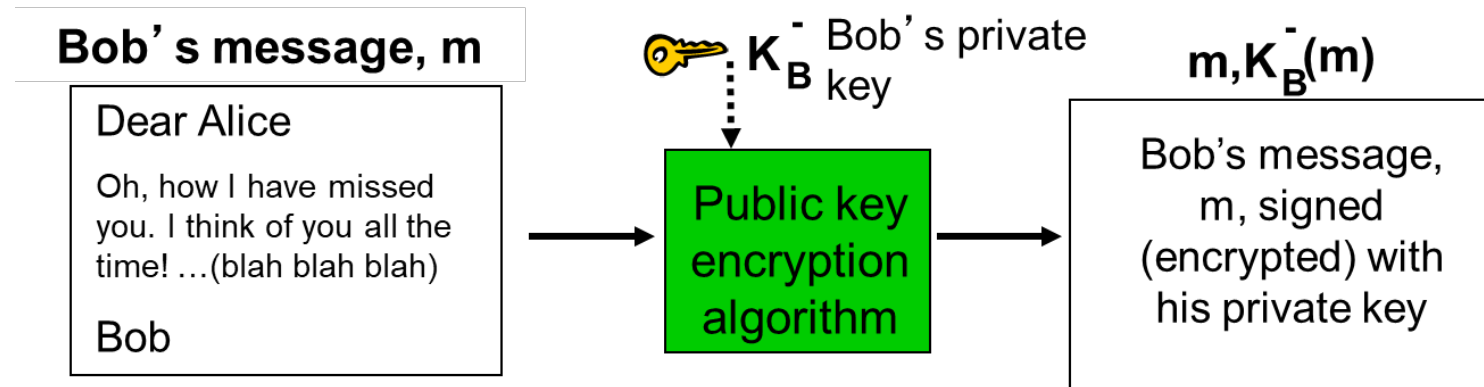
**cryptographic technique analogous to hand-written signatures:**

- 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

# Digital Signatures (2 of 3)

simple digital signature for message  $m$ :

- Bob signs  $m$  by encrypting with his private key  $k_B^-(m)$ , creating “signed” message,  $k_B^-(m)$



# Digital Signatures (3 of 3)

- 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:

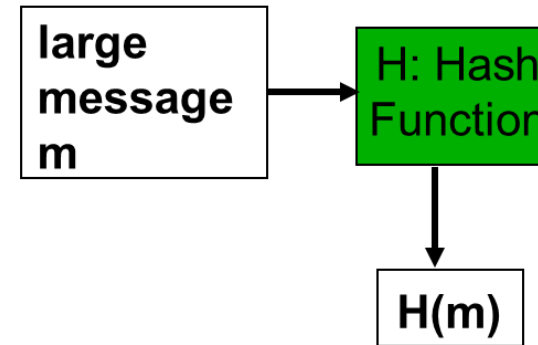
- It was Bob who signed  $m$
- Bob signed  $m$  and not  $m'$ 
  - By the way, Bob cannot repudiate  $m$

# 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,  $H(m)$
- then, encrypt (sign) the hash  $H(m)$

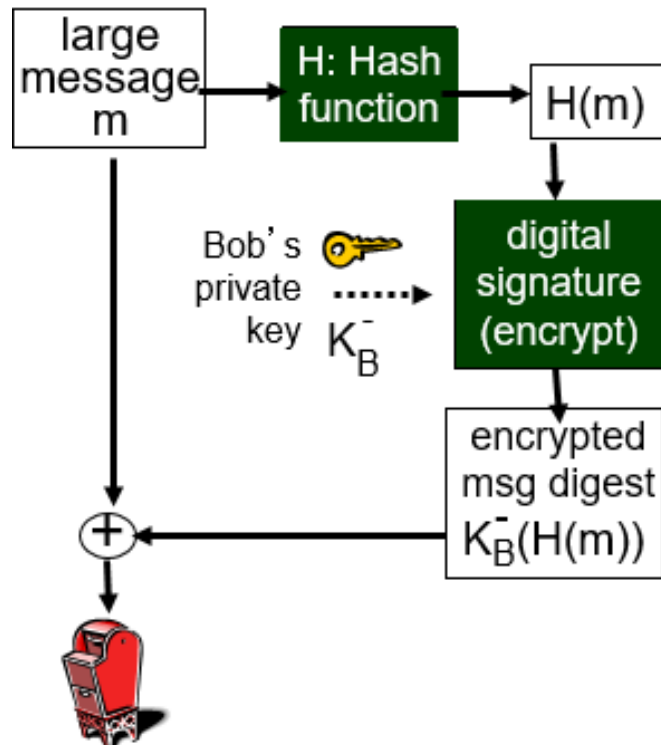


## Hash function properties:

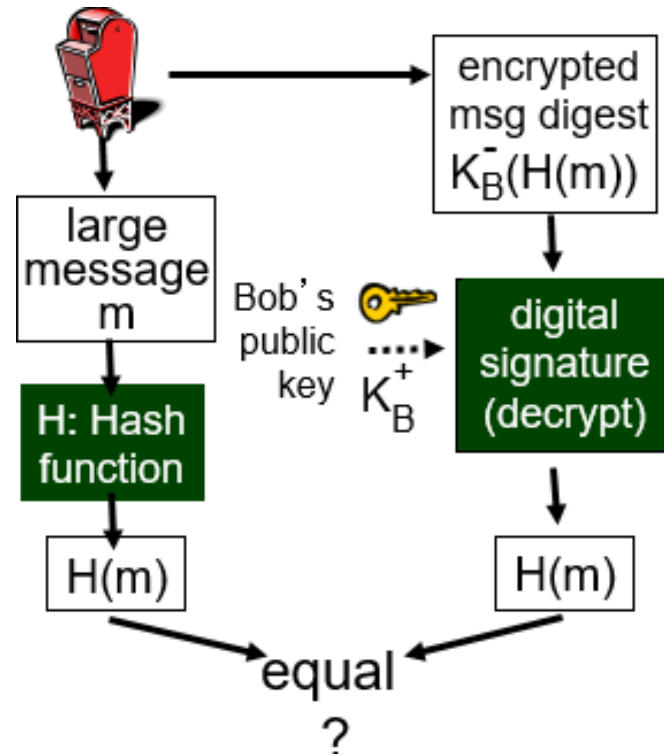
- many-to-1
- produces fixed-size msg digest (fingerprint)
- given message digest  $x$ , computationally infeasible to find  $m$  such that  $x = H(m)$

# Digital Signature = Signed Message Digest

Bob sends digitally signed message:



Alice verifies signature, **integrity** of digitally signed message:



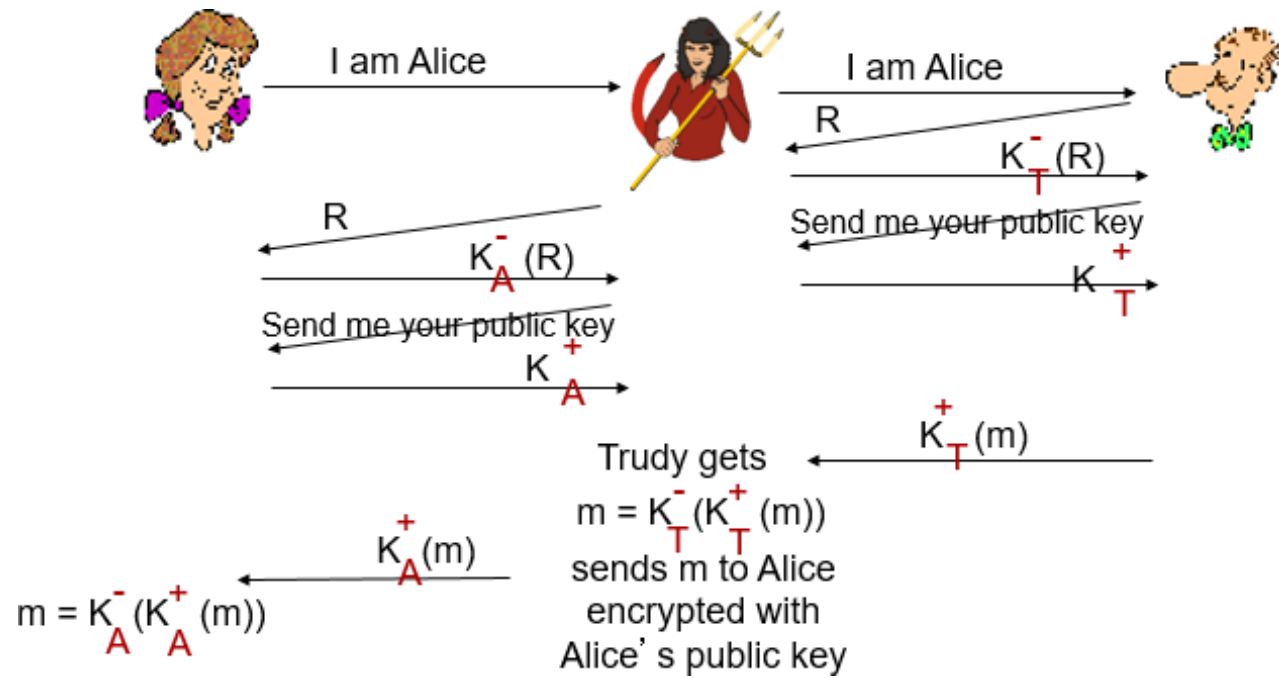
# Hash Function Algorithms

- 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



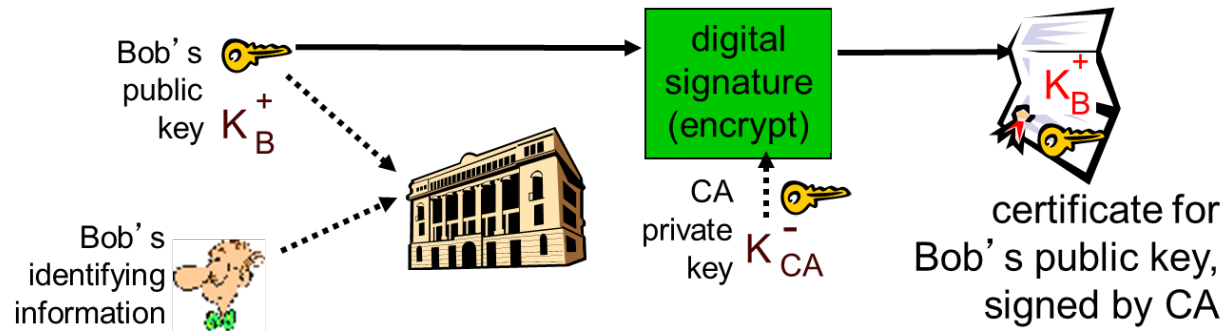
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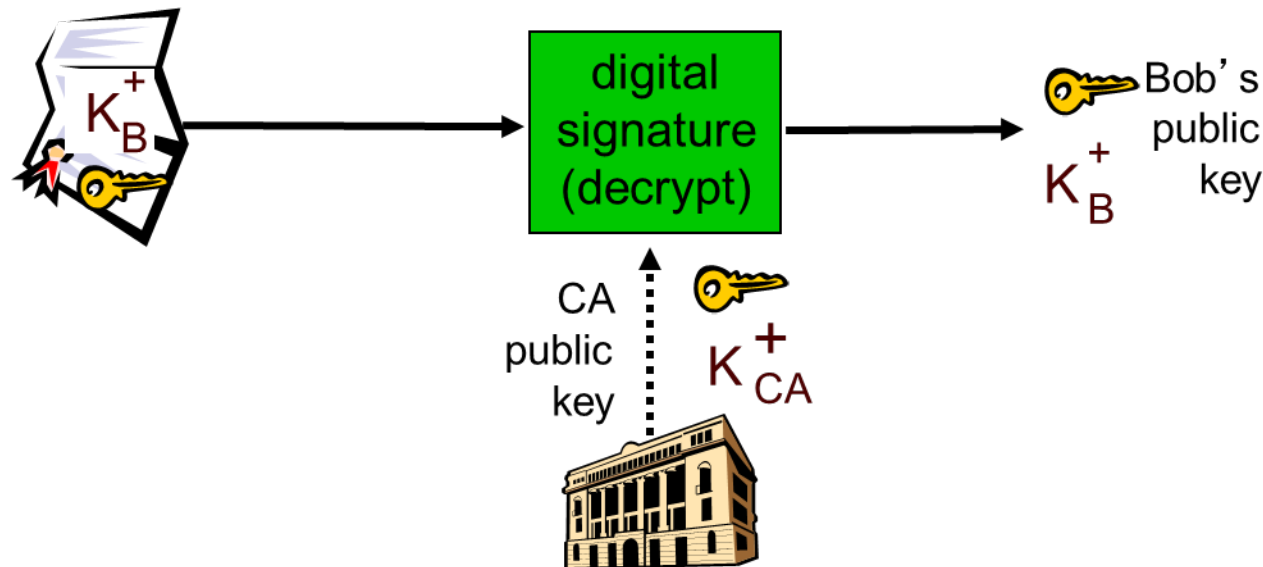
# Certification Authorities (1 of 2)

- **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”



# Certification Authorities (2 of 2)

- 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
- Requirements for it to work:
  - Everybody must know  $K_{CA}^+$  (e.g.: pre-shipping CA's certificates with the browser)
  - Nobody can know  $K_{CA}^-$  (except the CA)



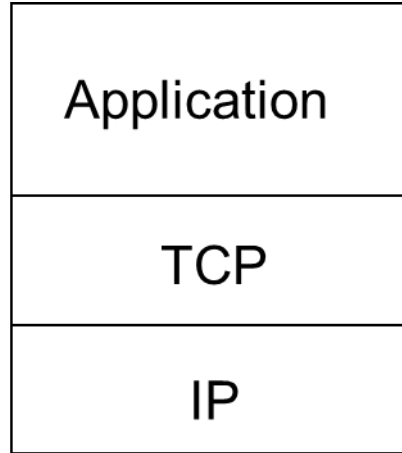
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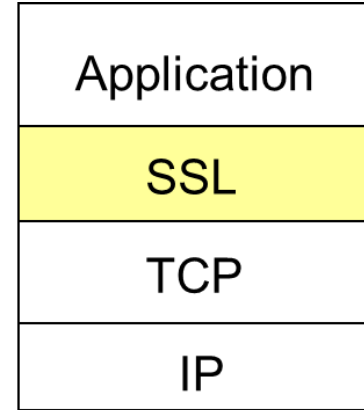
# SSL: Secure Sockets Layer

- widely deployed security protocol
  - supported by almost all browsers, web servers
  - https
  - billions \$/year over SSL
- mechanisms: [Woo 1994], implementation: Netscape
- variation TLS: transport layer security, RFC 2246
- provides
  - **confidentiality**
  - **integrity**
  - **authentication**
- original goals:
  - Web e-commerce transactions
  - encryption (especially credit-card numbers)
  - Web-server authentication
  - optional client authentication
  - minimum hassle in doing business with new merchant
- available to all TCP applications
  - secure socket interface

# SSL and TCP/IP



**normal application**



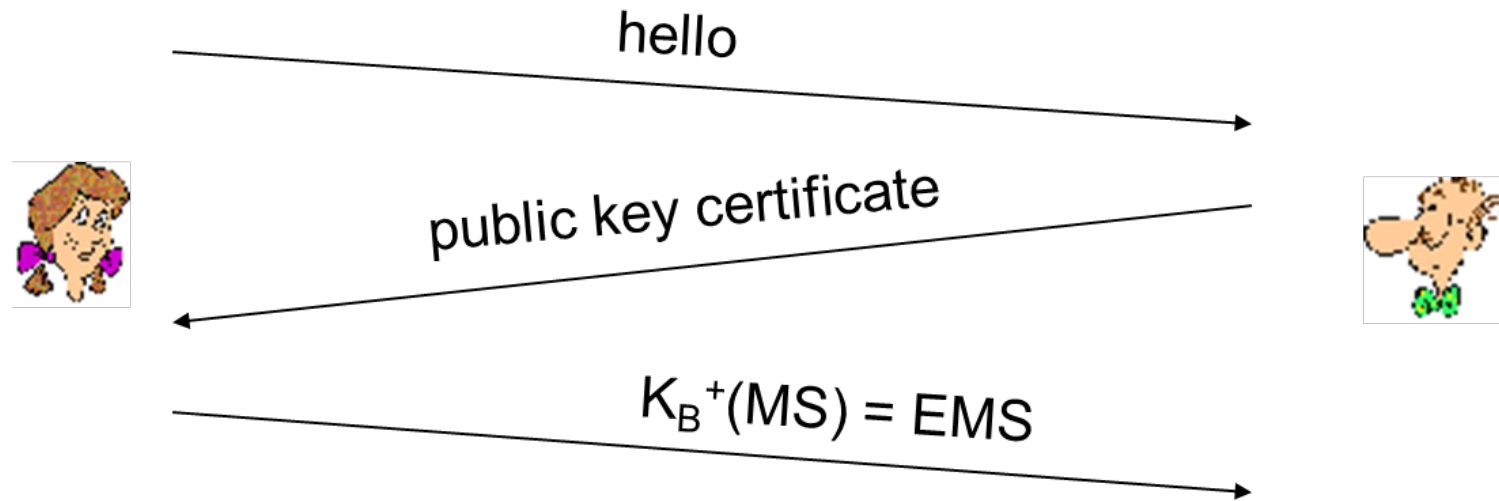
**application with  
SSL**

- SSL provides application programming interface (API) to applications
- C and Java SSL libraries/classes readily available

# Toy SSL: A Simple Secure Channel

- **handshake:** Alice and Bob use their certificates, private keys to authenticate each other and exchange shared secret
- **key derivation:** Alice and Bob use shared secret to derive set of keys
- **data transfer:** data to be transferred is broken up into series of records
- **connection closure:** special messages to securely close connection

# Toy: A Simple Handshake



**MS:** master secret

**EMS:** encrypted master secret



# Toy: Key Derivation

- considered bad to use same key for more than one cryptographic operation
  - use different keys for message authentication code (MAC) and encryption
- four keys:
  - $K_c$  = encryption key for data sent from client to server
  - $M_c$  = MAC key for data sent from client to server
  - $K_s$  = encryption key for data sent from server to client
  - $M_s$  = MAC key for data sent from server to client
- keys derived from key derivation function (KDF)
  - takes master secret and (possibly) some additional random data and creates the keys

# Toy: Data Records

- why not encrypt data in constant stream as we write it to TCP?
  - where would we put the MAC? If at end, no message integrity until all data processed.
  - e.g., with instant messaging, how can we do integrity check over all bytes sent before displaying?
- instead, break stream in series of records
  - each record carries a MAC
  - receiver can act on each record as it arrives
- issue: in record, receiver needs to distinguish MAC from data
  - want to use variable-length records



# Toy: Sequence Numbers

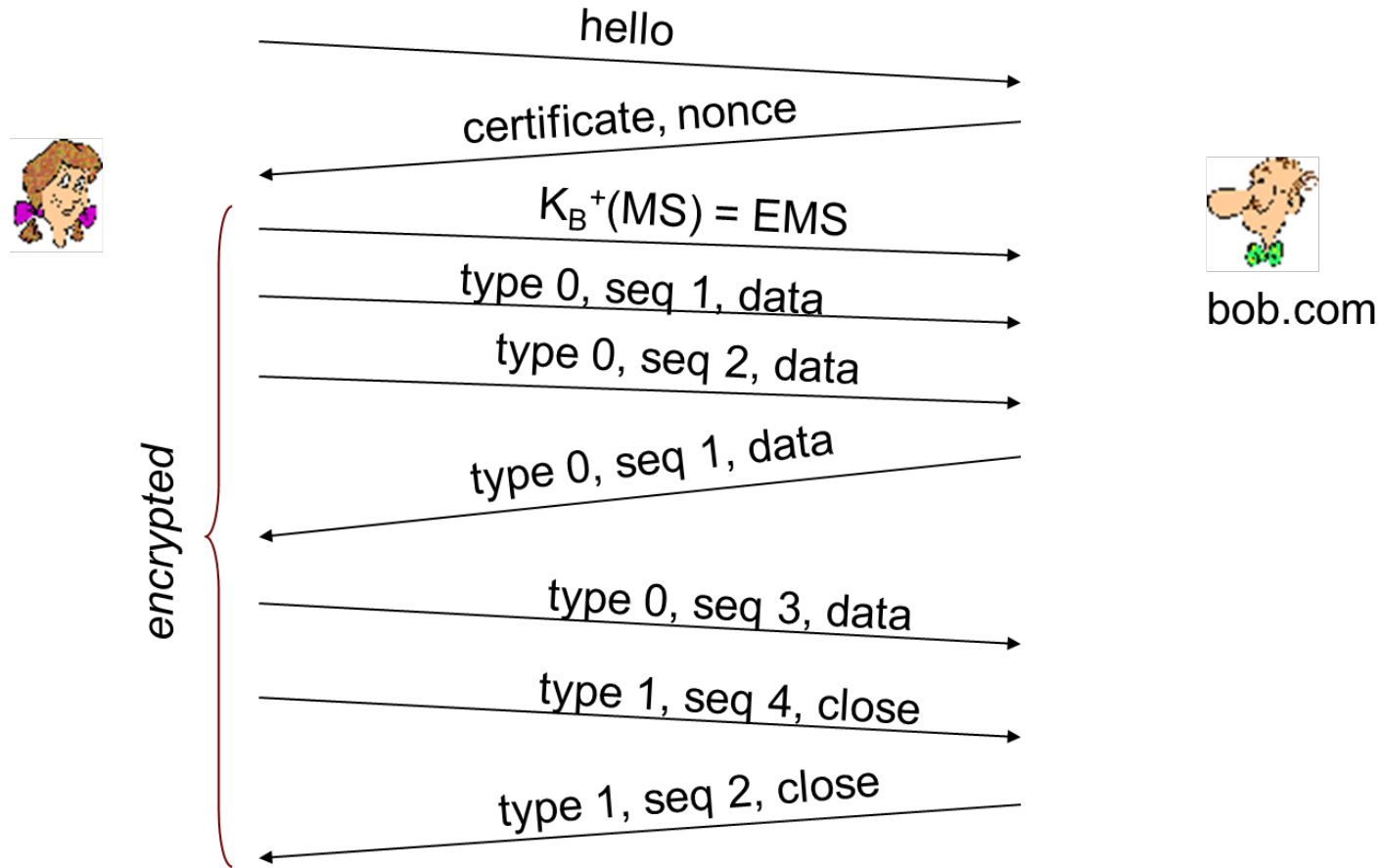
- **problem:** attacker can capture and replay record or re-order records
- **solution:** put sequence number into MAC:
  - $\text{MAC} = \text{MAC}(M_x, \text{sequence} \parallel \text{data})$
  - note: no sequence number field
- **problem:** attacker could replay all records
- **solution:** use nonce

# Toy: Control Information

- **problem:** truncation attack:
  - attacker forges TCP connection close segment
  - one or both sides thinks there is less data than there actually is.
- **solution:** record types, with one type for closure
  - type 0 for data; type 1 for closure

$$\text{MAC} = \text{MAC}(M_x, \text{sequence} || \text{type} || \text{data})$$

# Toy SSL: Summary



# Toy SSL is not complete

- how long are fields?
- which encryption protocols?
- want negotiation?
  - allow client and server to support different encryption algorithms
  - allow client and server to choose together specific algorithm before data transfer

# SSL Cipher Suite

- cipher suite
  - public-key algorithm
  - symmetric encryption algorithm
  - MAC algorithm
- SSL supports several cipher suites
- negotiation: client, server agree on cipher suite
  - client offers choice
  - server picks one
- common SSL symmetric ciphers
  - DES – Data Encryption Standard: block
  - 3DES – Triple strength: block
  - RC2 – Rivest Cipher 2: block
  - RC4 – Rivest Cipher 4: stream
- SSL Public key encryption
  - RSA

# Real SSL: Handshake (1 of 4)

## Purpose

1. server authentication
2. negotiation: agree on crypto algorithms
3. establish keys
4. client authentication (optional)



# Real SSL: Handshake (2 of 4)

1. client sends list of algorithms it supports, along with client nonce
2. server chooses algorithms from list; sends back: choice + certificate + server nonce
3. client verifies certificate, extracts server's public key, generates pre\_master\_secret, encrypts with server's public key, sends to server
4. client and server independently compute encryption and MAC keys from pre\_master\_secret and nonces
5. client sends a MAC of all the handshake messages
6. server sends a MAC of all the handshake messages

# Real SSL: Handshake (3 of 4)

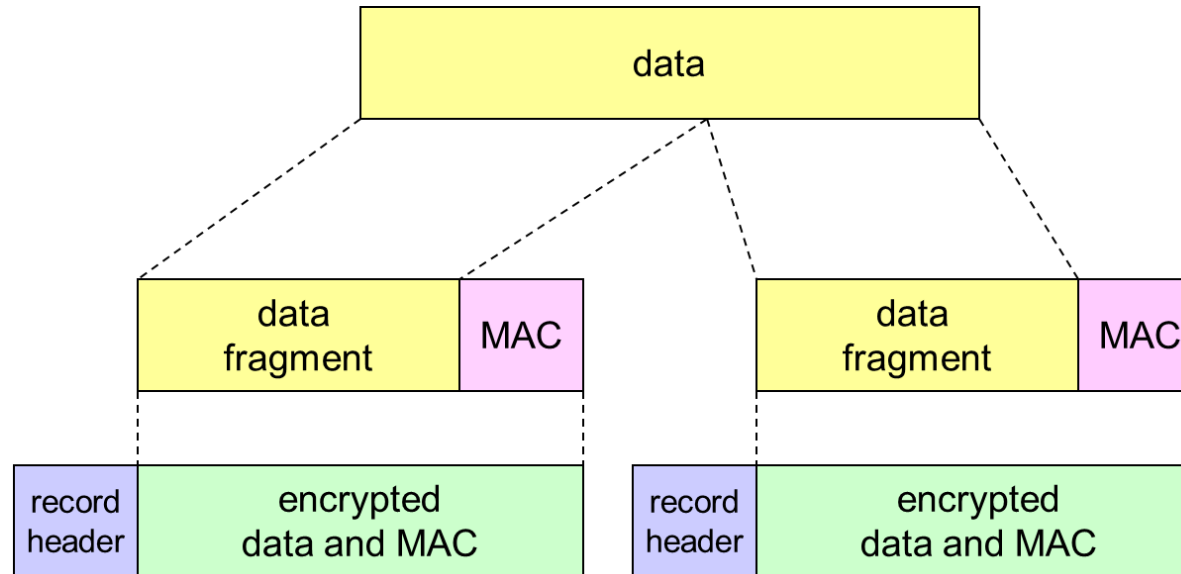
## **last 2 steps protect handshake from tampering**

- client typically offers range of algorithms, some strong, some weak
- man-in-the middle could delete stronger algorithms from list
- last 2 steps prevent this
  - last two messages are encrypted

# Real SSL: Handshake (4 of 4)

- why two random nonces?
- suppose Trudy sniffs all messages between Alice & Bob
- next day, Trudy sets up TCP connection with Bob, sends exact same sequence of records
  - Bob (Amazon) thinks Alice made two separate orders for the same thing
  - solution: Bob sends different random nonce for each connection. This causes encryption keys to be different on the two days
  - Trudy's messages will fail Bob's integrity check

# SSL Record Protocol

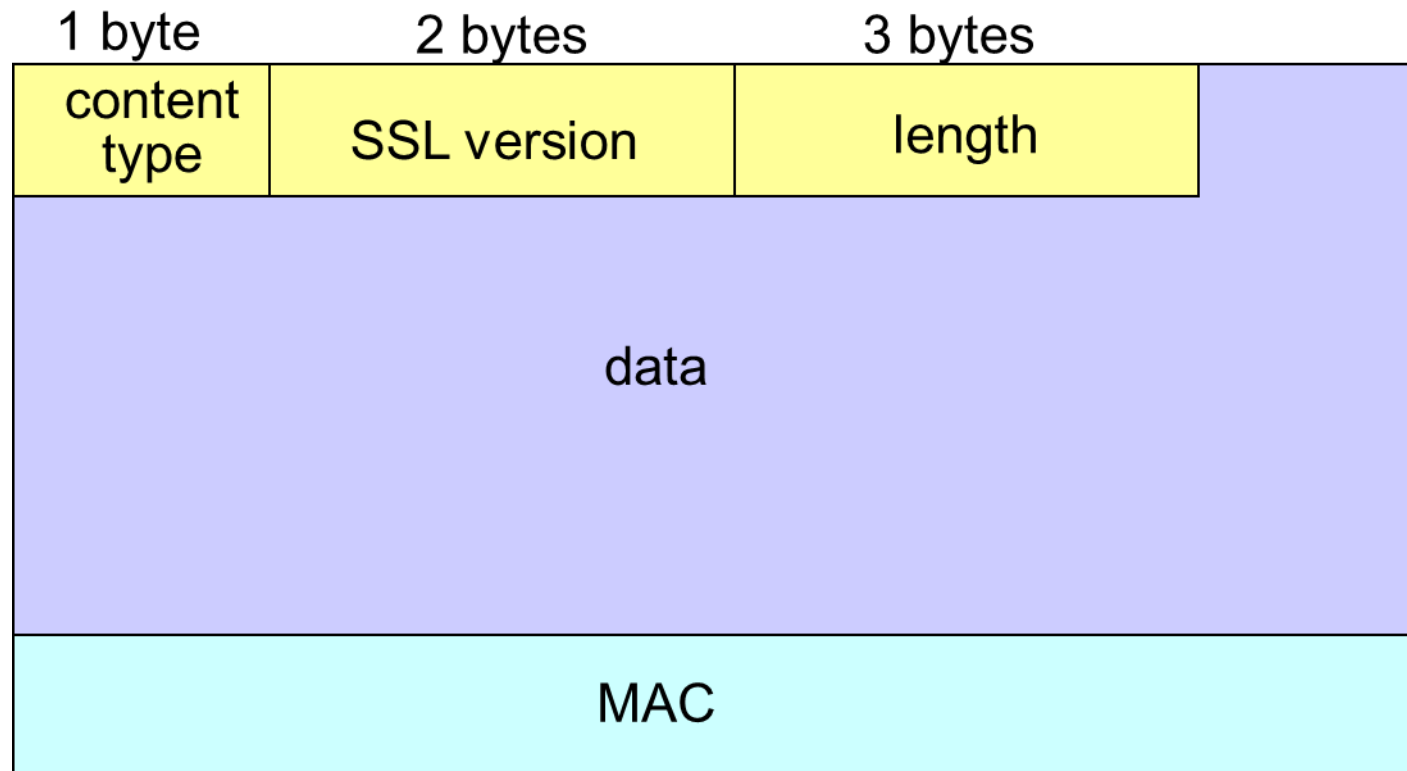


**record header:** content type; version; length

**MAC:** includes sequence number, MAC key  $M_x$

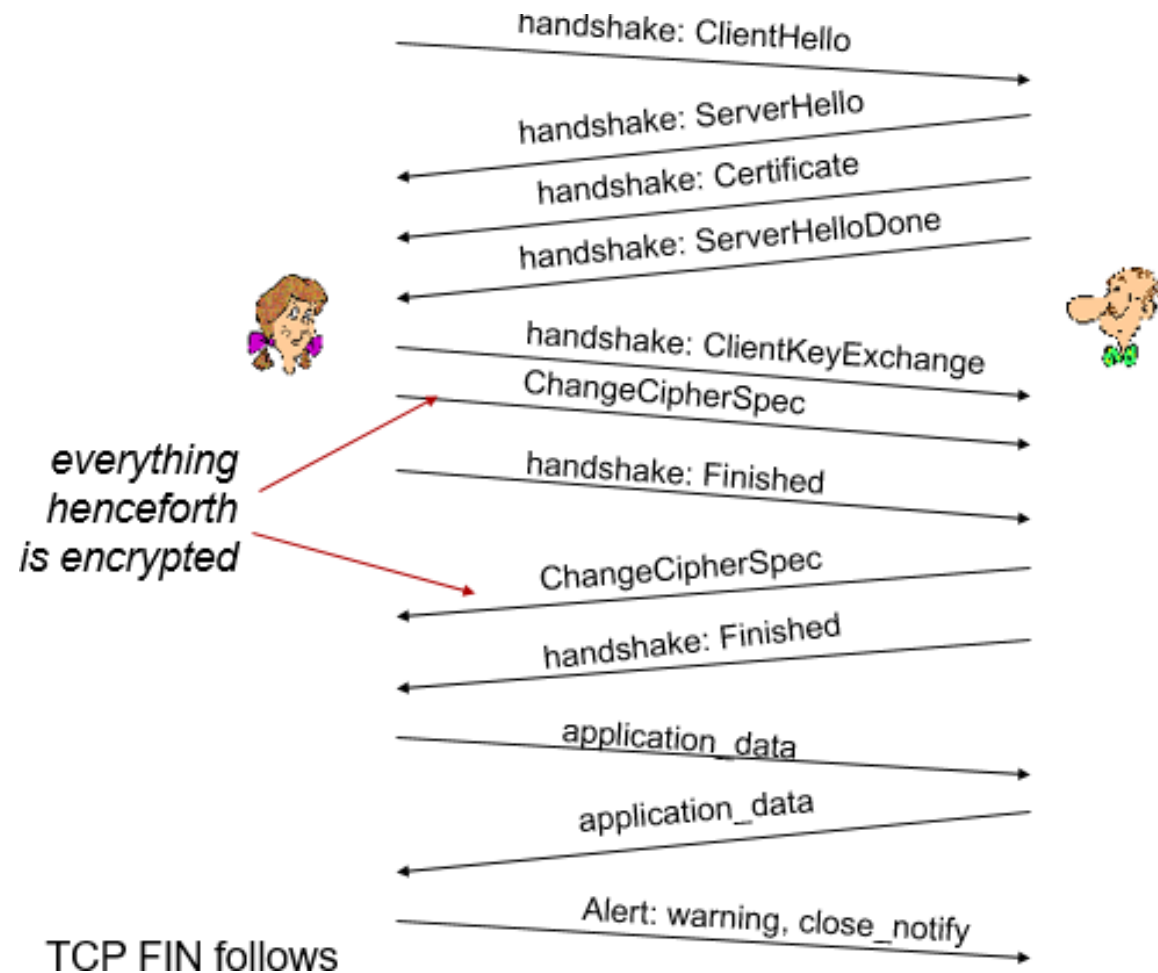
**fragment:** each SSL fragment:  $2^{14}$  bytes (~16 Kbytes)

# SSL Record Format



data and MAC encrypted (symmetric algorithm)

# Real SSL Connection



# Key Derivation

- client nonce, server nonce, and pre-master secret input into pseudo random-number generator.
  - produces master secret
- master secret and new nonces input into another random-number generator: “key block”
  - because of resumption: TBD
- key block sliced and diced:
  - client MAC key
  - server MAC key
  - client encryption key
  - server encryption key
  - client initialization vector (IV)
  - server initialization vector (IV)

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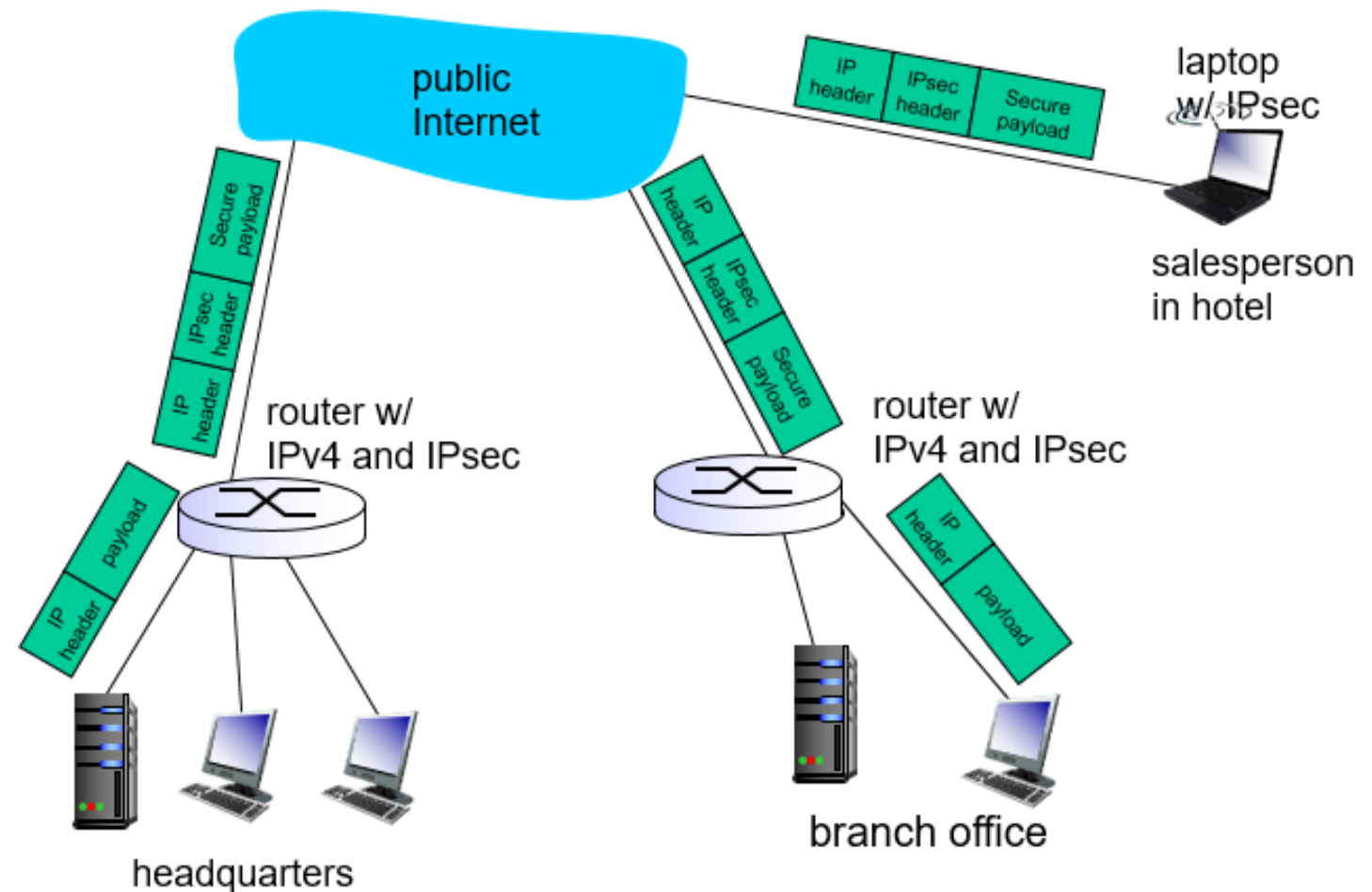
## **between two network entities:**

- sending entity encrypts datagram payload, payload could be:
  - TCP or UDP segment, ICMP message, OSPF message ....
- all data sent from one entity to other would be hidden:
  - web pages, e-mail, P2P file transfers, TCP SYN packets ...
- “blanket coverage”

# Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)

## motivation:

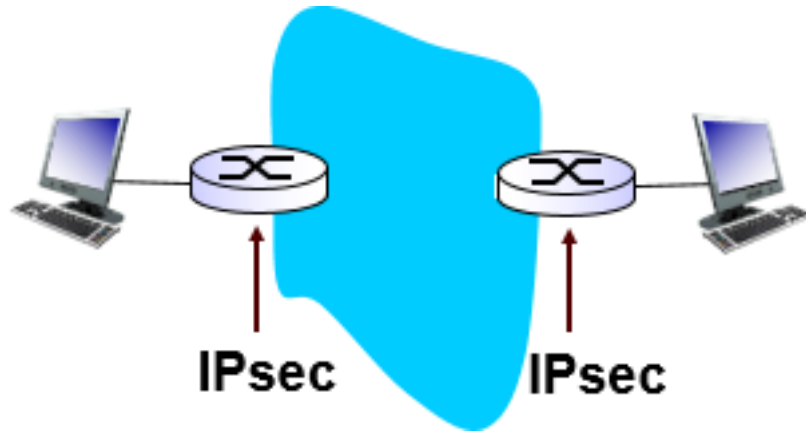
- institutions often want private networks for security
  - costly: separate routers, links, DNS infrastructure.
- VPN: institution's inter-office traffic is sent over public Internet
  - encrypted before entering public Internet
  - logically separate from other traffic



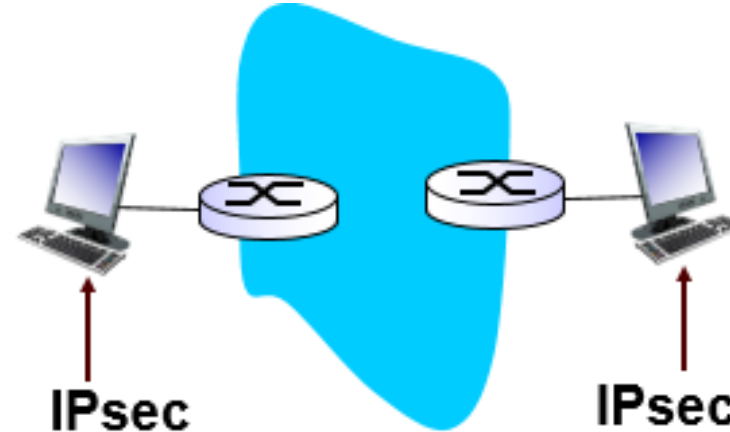
# IPsec Services

- data integrity
- origin authentication
- replay attack prevention
- confidentiality
- two protocols providing different service models:
  - AH
  - ESP

# IPsec – Transport Mode



- Tunnel mode:  
edge routers IPsec-aware



- Host mode:  
hosts IPsec-aware

# Two IPsec Protocols

- Authentication Header (AH) protocol
  - provides source authentication & data integrity but **not** confidentiality
- Encapsulation Security Protocol (ESP)
  - provides source authentication, data integrity, **and confidentiality**
  - more widely used than AH

# Four Combinations are Possible!

Host mode with AH	Host mode with ESP
Tunnel mode with AH	Tunnel mode with ESP

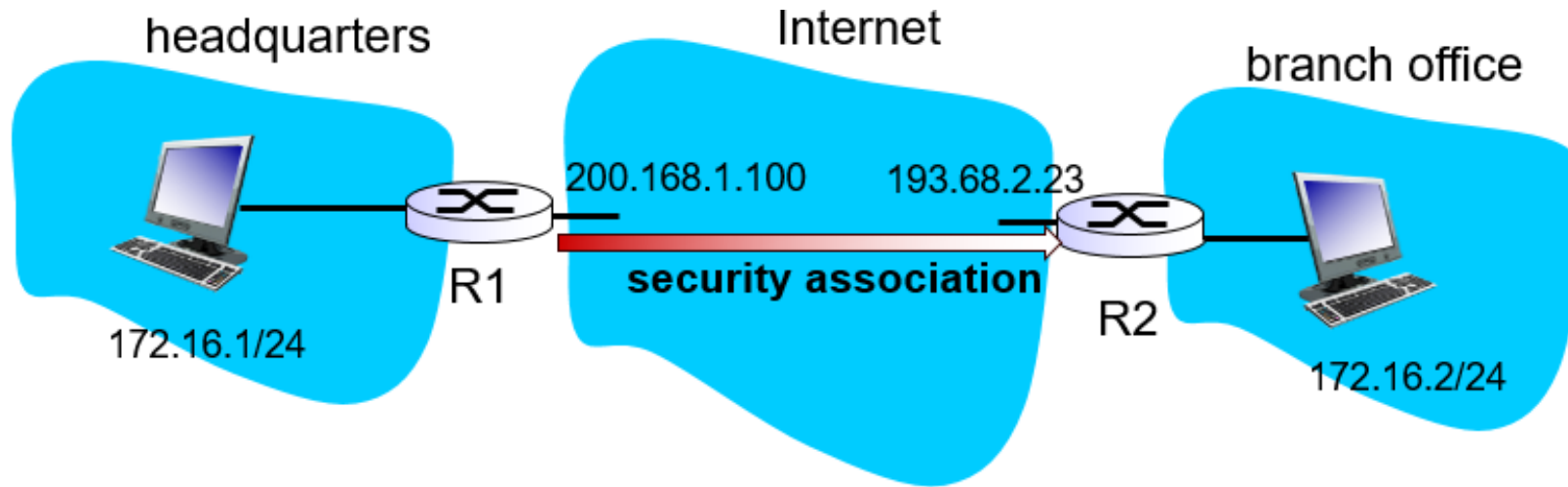
most common and most  
important



# Security Associations (SAs)

- before sending data, “**security association (SA)**” established from sending to receiving entity
  - SAs are simplex: for only one direction
- ending, receiving entities maintain **state information** about SA
  - recall: TCP endpoints also maintain state info
  - IP is connectionless; IPsec is connection-oriented!
- how many SAs in VPN w/ headquarters, branch office, and n traveling salespeople?

# Example SA from R1 to R2 (1 of 2)

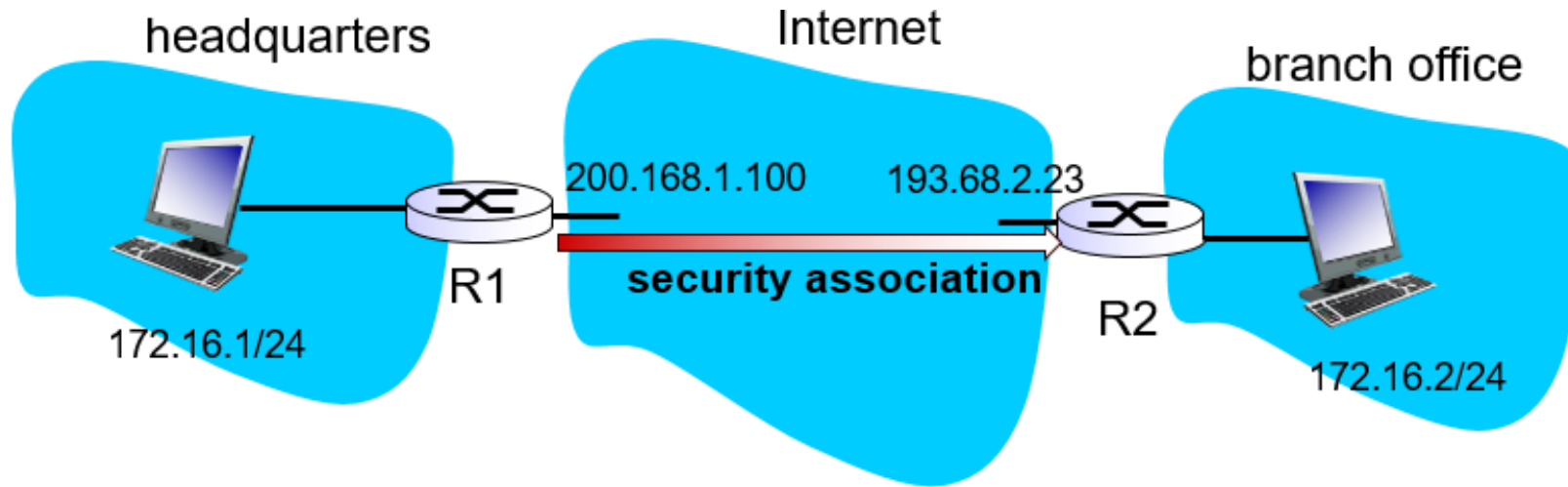


## R1 stores for SA:

- 32-bit SA identifier: **Security Parameter Index (SPI)**
- origin SA interface (200.168.1.100)
- destination SA interface (193.68.2.23)



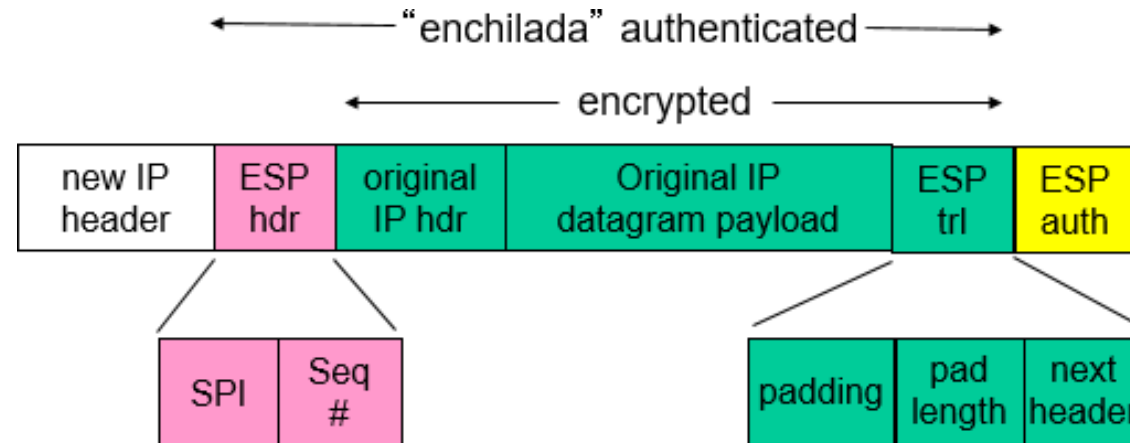
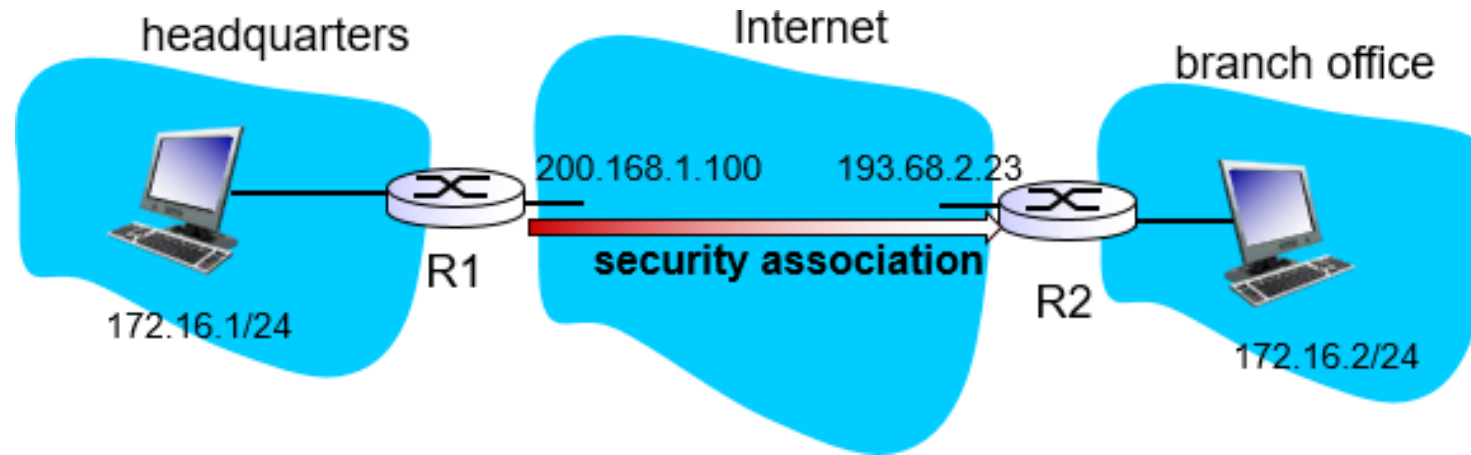
# Example SA from R1 to R2 (2 of 2)



## R1 stores for SA:

- type of encryption used (e.g., 3DES with CBC)
- encryption key
- type of integrity check used (e.g., HMAC with MD5)
- authentication key

# What Happens?

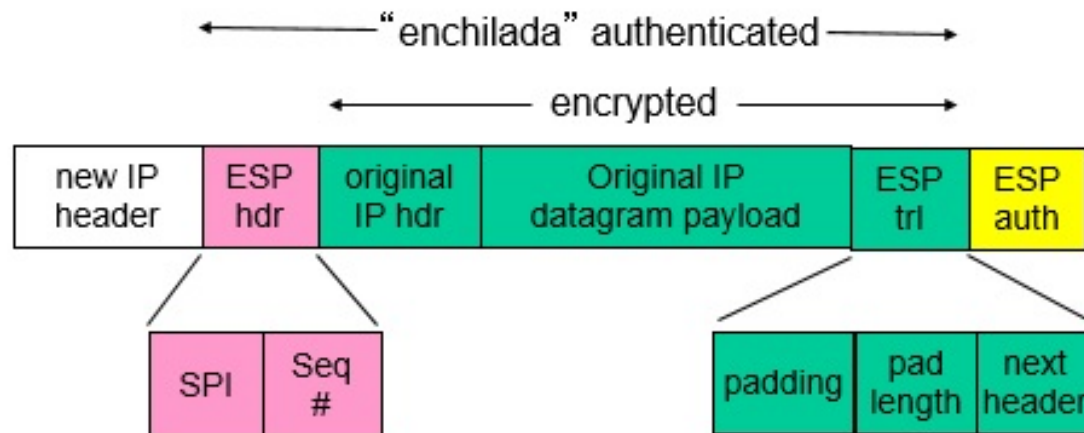


# R1: Convert Original Datagram to IPsec Datagram

- appends to back of original datagram (which includes original header fields!) an “ESP trailer” field.
- encrypts result using algorithm & key specified by SA.
- appends to front of this encrypted quantity the “ESP header”, creating “enchilada”.
- creates authentication MAC over the **whole enchilada**, using algorithm and key specified in SA;
- appends MAC to back of enchilada, forming **payload**;
- creates brand new IP header, with all the classic IPv4 header fields, which it appends before payload

# Inside the Enchilada:

- ESP trailer: Padding for block ciphers
- ESP header:
  - SPI, so receiving entity knows what to do
  - Sequence number, to thwart replay attacks
- MAC in ESP auth field is created with shared secret key



# IKE: Internet Key Exchange

- **previous examples:** manual establishment of IPsec SAs in IPsec endpoints:
  - **Example SA**
    - SPI: 12345
    - Source IP: 200.168.1.100
    - Dest IP: 193.68.2.23
    - Protocol: ESP
    - Encryption algorithm: 3DES-cbc
    - HMAC algorithm: MD5
    - Encryption key: 0x7aeaca...
    - HMAC key: 0xc0291f...
- manual keying is impractical for VPN with 100s of endpoints
- instead use **IPsec IKE (Internet Key Exchange)**

# IKE: PSK and PKI

- authentication (prove who you are) with either
  - pre-shared secret (PSK) or
  - with PKI (public/private keys and certificates).
- PSK: both sides start with secret
  - run IKE to authenticate each other and to generate IPsec SAs (one in each direction), including encryption, authentication keys
- PKI: both sides start with public/private key pair, certificate
  - run IKE to authenticate each other, obtain IPsec SAs (one in each direction).
  - similar with handshake in SSL.

# IPsec Summary

- IKE message exchange for algorithms, secret keys, SPI numbers
- either AH or ESP protocol (or both)
  - AH provides integrity, source authentication
  - ESP protocol (with AH) additionally provides encryption
- IPsec peers can be two end systems, two routers/firewalls, or a router/firewall and an end system

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