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# CSE 523S: Systems Security

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# Plan for Today

- Questions
- Assignment
- System Design

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– [x] Why are our networks v Add WeChat edu\_assist\_pro  
– Working with packets -- Next class  
– Network security revisited

# Assignment

- For Monday
  - HW2 Due
  - Readings
    - HTAOE: Ch. 4 195-220
- For Wednesday
  - Readings <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>
    - HTAOE: Ch. 3 115-132
- For Monday (2/19)
  - The following sections of [Metasploit Unleashed](#)
    - Introduction, Metasploit Fundamentals, Information Gathering, Vulnerability Scanning, Exploit Development

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# Principles of Network Security/ Internet Attacks and Defenses

- Basic principles
  - Symmetric encry
  - Public-key encry
  - Signatures, authentication, mes
  - Denial-of-Service & Distributed
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*Based on material from Jon Turner, Roch Guerin and Kurose & Ross*

# Four Elements of Network Security

## ■ **Confidentiality**

- » only sender, intended receiver should "understand" message
- » sender encrypts m

## ■ **Authentication**

- » sender, receiver want to confirm id other
- » Use of "certification of authenticity"sted entity

## ■ **Message integrity**

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

## ■ **Access and availability**

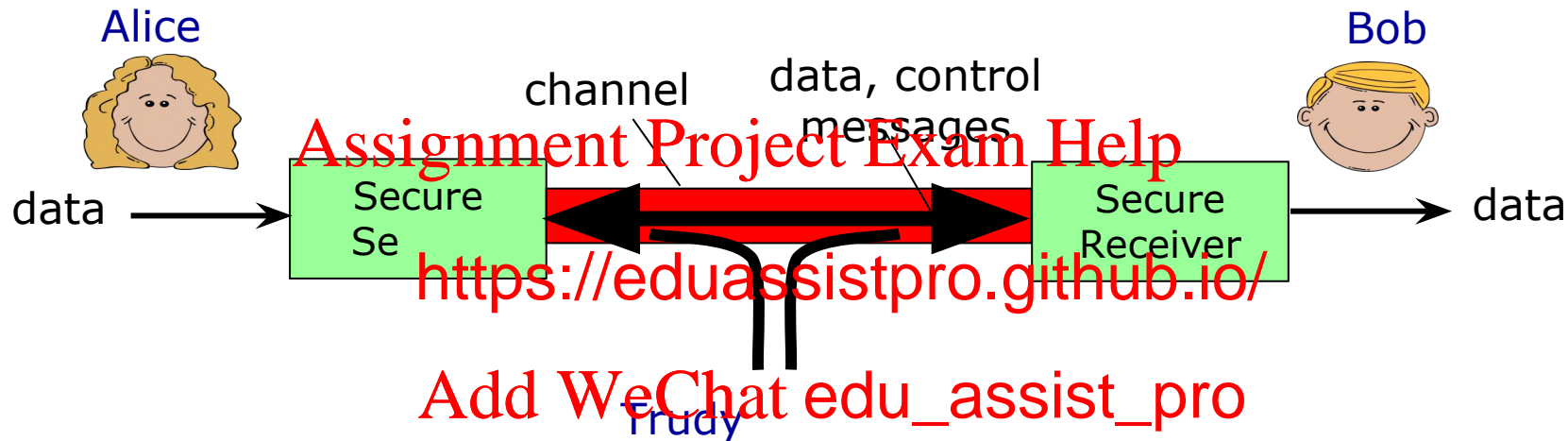
- » services must be accessible and available to users

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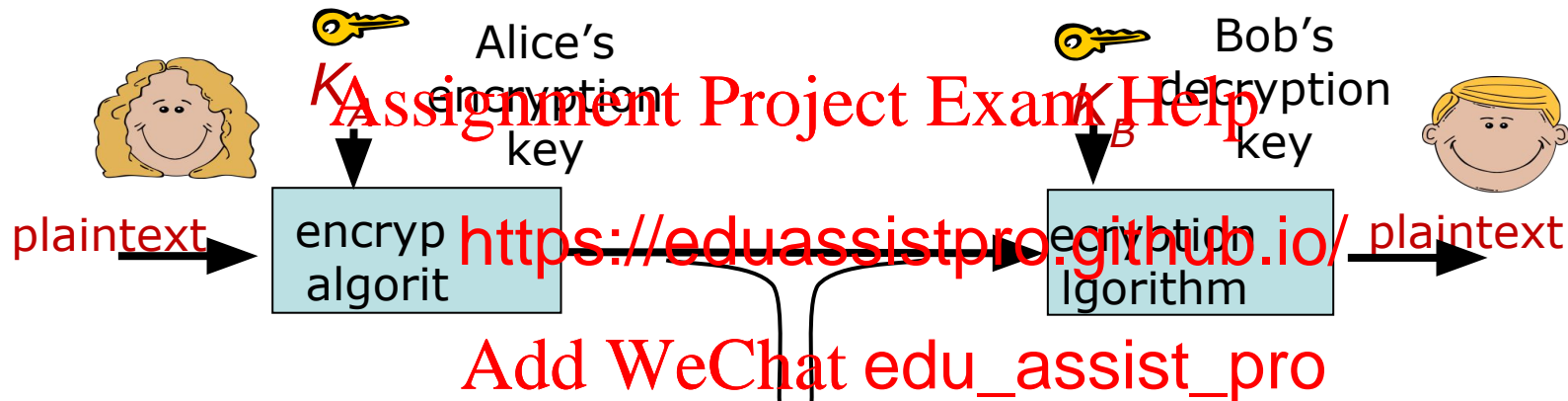
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# A Traditional Model of Security



- Alice & Bob want to communicate “securely”
- Trudy (intruder) may intercept, delete, add, and modify messages

# The Language of Cryptography



$m$  plaintext message

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

$m = K_B(K_A(m))$

Note that  $K_A$  and  $K_B$  need not be identical

*i.e.*, symmetric vs. asymmetric encryption



# Simple Encryption Scheme

## ■ *Substitution cipher*

- » substituting one thing for another
- » Mono-alphabetic cipher: substitute one letter for another

plaintext: abcd

ciphertext: mnbcxzasdfghjklp

plaintext: bob. i love you. alice

ciphertext: nkn. s gktc wky. mgsbc

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🔑 *Encryption key*: mapping from set of 26 letters to set of 26 letters (26! Possible mappings to choose from)

# Breaking an Encryption Scheme

## ■ Cipher-text only attack

- » Trudy just has ciphertext she can analyze
- » two approaches:
  - brute force: search through all keys
  - statistical analysis letter

## ■ Known-plaintext attack

- » Trudy has at least some plaintext *c* to ciphertext
- » e.g., in mono-alphabetic cipher, Trudy has pairings for  
a,l,i,c,e,b,o,

## ■ Chosen-plaintext attack

- » Trudy can get ciphertext for chosen plaintext

## ■ Ideally, an encryption scheme should be resistant to even a chosen-plaintext attack

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# Block Cipher Encryption – (1)

## ■ Transposition block cipher

- » Changing the order of the input
- » a.k.a. a scrambler

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3-bit

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3-bit transposed

input: 011 110 001 01

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ciphertext: 110 101 010 100 000

Encryption key: permutation of  $k$ -bit blocks ( $k!=6$  distinct permutations for  $k=3$ , i.e., key of size  $\lceil \log_2 k! \rceil$  or  $\lceil \log_2 3! \rceil = 3$  bits)



Why 3 bits? What do we use the 3 bits to identify?

# Block Cipher Encryption – (2)

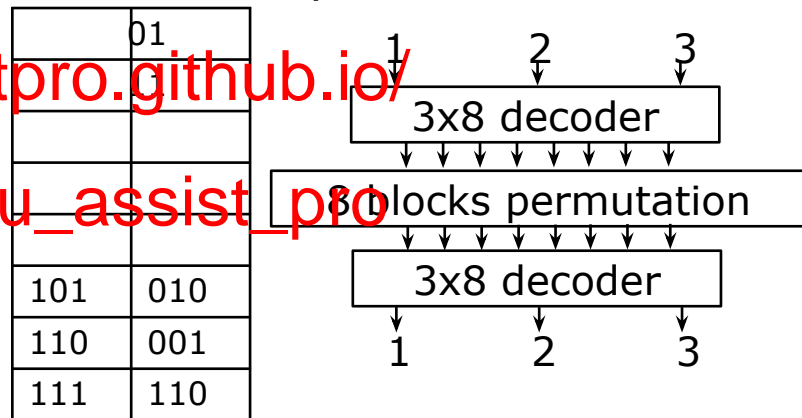
## ■ Substitution block cipher

- » Maps a  $k$ -bit block to another uniquely distinct  $k$ -bit block
- »  $k$ -bit block input is one out of  $2^k$  possible inputs
- » Substitution applies permutation to all possible  $2^k$  inputs

input: 011 110

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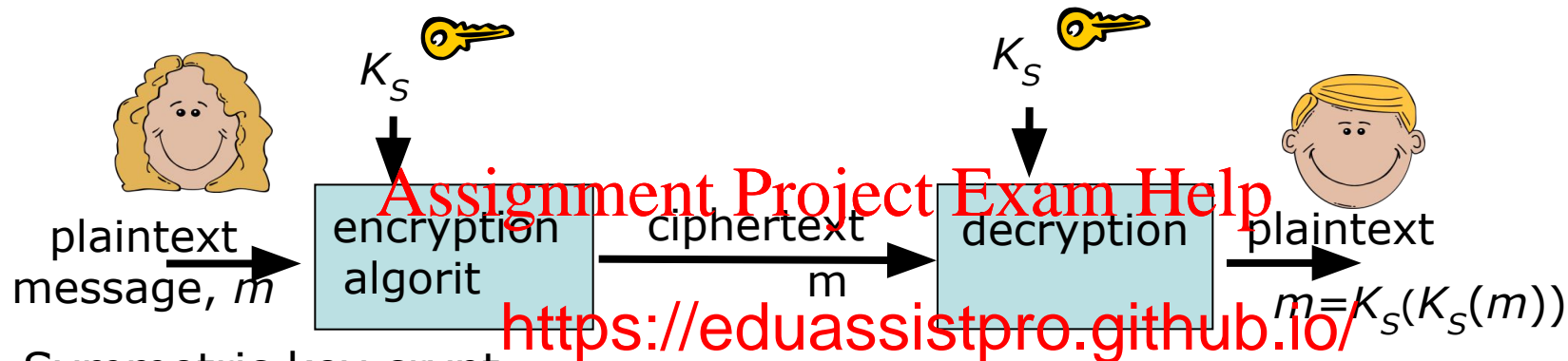
ciphertext: 111 001 011 100 101

Encryption key: permutation among  $2^3=8$  3-bit blocks ( $8!=40,320$

distinct permutations, i.e., key of size  $\lceil \log_2 8! \rceil = 16$  bits Why 16 bits?

What do we use the 16 bits for?

# Symmetric Key Cryptography



## ■ Symmetric key crypt

- » Bob and Alice share same (symmetric) key
- » **e.g.**, key might be knowing the substitution in monoalphabetic substitution cipher

## ■ Main issue: how do Bob and Alice agree on key value?

- » need a separate, secure channel (to exchange key)
- » governments can use couriers, but that's not a practical solution for individuals over the Internet

# Block Ciphers

- DES (Data Encryption Standard) is an example of a *block cipher*
  - » encrypts fixed length chunks separately (each chunk is a letter in an alphabet of size  $2^k$ , where  $k$  is the chunk size in bits)
- Naive implementation can be vulnerable
  - » identical clear-text blocks produce repeated cipher-text
    - » statistics of repeated blocks can aid attack
- Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) used to avoid this
  - » makes identical clear-text blocks look different when encrypted
  - » example: each clear-text block  $m$  is xor-ed with a different “random” value before encryption
    - start with random *Initialization Vector* (IV) and xor this with first block before encrypting (IV sent to receiver, but need not be secret)
    - before encrypting each subsequent block, xor it with the ciphertext of the previous block

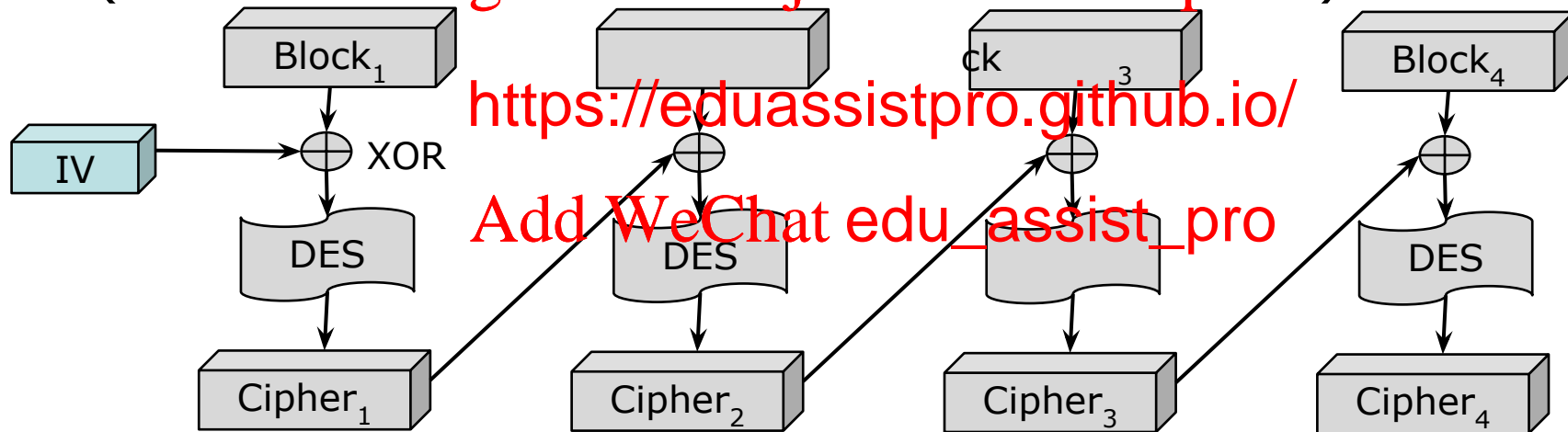
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# General Cipher Block Chaining

- Repeat across independent blocks  
(IV = Initial Vector can be sent in the clear)



- Any other cipher block encryption can be used in lieu of DES

# Data Encryption Standard (DES)

- Block cipher with cipher block chaining
  - » 56-bit symmetric key, 64-bit plaintext input
- How secure is it?
  - » DES Challenge: 56-bit key encrypted phrase decrypted (brute force) in less than a day in January 1999
  - » no known good anal
  - » Has been withdrawn
- More secure variant
  - » 3DES: encrypt 3 times with 3 different
  - » Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)
    - replaced DES in 2001
    - processes data in 128 bit blocks
    - 128, 192, or 256 bit keys
    - a computer that could break DES in one second (by brute force) would need 149 trillion years to break AES

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# DES Cipher

*DES operation*

*(encryption by obfuscation)*

- encrypt 64 bit chunks
- initial permutatio
- 16 identical "roun  
function application, each  
using different 48 bits of key  
= F(56 bit key)
- final permutation

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# Public Key Cryptography

- The problem with symmetric keys

- » They require sender & receiver to know a shared secret key
- » ok for governments perhaps, but no good for public internet

- Public key cryptography

- » radically different approach

to compute, but the underlying idea of "computationally difficult"

- » uses two keys

- public key known to all (used to encrypt)
- private key known only to message recipient (used to decrypt)

- » since no common shared key, allows communication with strangers over insecure network

- » drawback: computationally expensive for large messages

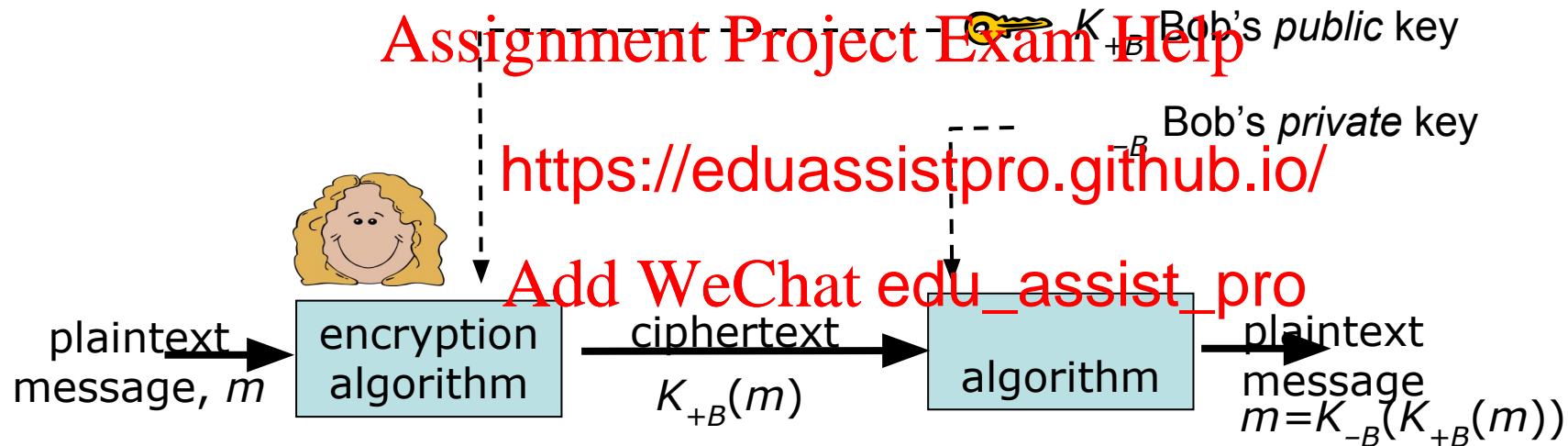
- in practice, used to encrypt and share symmetric keys

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# Public Key Cryptography



# One-Way Functions

- Function that is easy to compute, hard to invert
  - » example: easy to multiply two large prime numbers, but hard to find prime factors of a large composite number
    - no known method that is substantially better than trial and error
    - a 300 digit number      150
- Key idea leading to public key cryptography
  - » product of two prime factors private
  - » product can be used to encrypt message      pt it, you must know the prime factors
- RSA method based on this idea
  - » named for its inventors **R**ivest, **S**hamir and **A**delman
- Alternate one-way functions have been proposed
  - » based on variety of hard (NP-complete) computational problems

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# Background: Modulo Arithmetic

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

- Basic properties

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

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

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

- Consequently,

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

$$= [(a \bmod n)^d \bmod n] * [(a \bmod n) \bmod n] \bmod n$$

- Example:  $a=14, n=10, d=3$ :

$$(a \bmod n)^d \bmod n = (14 \bmod 10)^3 \bmod 10$$

$$= 4^3 \bmod 10$$

$$= 64 \bmod 10 = 4$$

$$a^d = 14^3 = 2744 \quad a^d \bmod 10 = 4$$

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# Creating an RSA Key Pair

1. Choose two large prime numbers  $p, q$  (say, 1024 bits long) and compute  $n=pq$
  2. Choose a number  $e < (p-1)(q-1)$  with no common factor  $>1$  with  $(p-1)(q-1)$ , i.e.,  $e$  and  $(p-1)(q-1)$  are **relatively prime**
  3. Choose a number  $d$  such that  $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$  is a multiple of  $(p-1)(q-1)$   
equivalently,  $d = (k \text{ itive integer})$   $k$
  4. Public key  $K_+ = (n, e)$ , private key  $K_- = (n, d)$
  5. Advertise  $K_+$  but keep  $K_-$  secret (if  $p$  and  $q$  are known,  $e$  and  $d$  can be easily inferred)
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Example with small numbers:

$$p=5, q=7, n=35, (p-1)(q-1)=24, e=5, d=29$$

$$(d = (6*4*6+1)/5 = 29 \text{ for } k=6, p-1=4, q-1=6, e=5)$$

Dependent on having an efficient way to generate large prime numbers and efficient ways to select  $e$  and  $d$

# RSA Encryption/Decryption

Sending encrypted message to owner of  $(K_+, K_-)$

- Given  $(n, e)$ ,  $(n, d)$  as discussed, and message  $m < n$

»  $m$  MUST be less than  $n$

- Encrypt by computing  $K_+(m) = c = m^e \bmod n$

- Decrypt by computing  $K_-(c) = m = c^d \bmod n$  (using  $d$  to know  $d$  to successfully decrypt a message)

- This works because

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

\* by the magic of number theory (details on next slide)

\*\* since  $ed \bmod (p-1)(q-1) = 1$  by construction of  $d$  and  $m < n$

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From **number theory**,  $p$  &  $q$  prime with  $n = pq$  implies

$$a^b \bmod n = a^{b \bmod [(p-1)(q-1)]} \bmod n$$

So that

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Since  $ed = 1 \bmod (p-1)(q-1)$   
by construction of  $d$



# Simple RSA Example

1. Pick  $p=7$ ,  $q=11$  prime
    - »  $n = pq = 77$ ,  $z = (p-1)(q-1) = 60$
  2. Choose Encryption key  $e < z$  such that  $e$  &  $z$  are relatively prime:
    - »  $e = 17$
  3. pick Decryption key
    - »  $d = 53$  ( $53 \times 17$
  4. Pub. Key:  $(n,e)=(77,17)$ ; Priv. Key:  $(n,d)=(77,53)$
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- Assume message value of  $m = 9$ 
  - encode it as  $c = 9^{17} \pmod{77} = 4$ ,
  - decode this as  $4^{53} \pmod{77} = 9$

Note: If too big, compute  $x^y \pmod{v}$  progressively,  
*i.e.*,  $(x \pmod{v})^y \pmod{v}$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 c = 9^{17} \pmod{77} &= ((9^2 \\
 &= ((81 \pmod{77})^8 * 9) \pmod{77} \\
 &= ((25 \pmod{77})^8 * 9) \pmod{77} \\
 &= (25 * 25 * 9) \pmod{77} \\
 &= ((125 \pmod{77}) * (5 * 9 \pmod{77})) \pmod{77} \\
 &= (48 * 5 * 9) \pmod{77} \\
 &= ((240 \pmod{77}) * (9 \pmod{77})) \pmod{77} \\
 &= (9 * 9) \pmod{77} \\
 &= 4
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$$= ((81 \pmod{77})^8 * 9) \pmod{77}$$

$$= ((4 \pmod{77})^8 * 9) \pmod{77}$$

$$= ((4^6 \pmod{77}) * (4^2 * 9 \pmod{77})) \pmod{77}$$

$$= ((4096 \pmod{77}) * (16 * 9 \pmod{77})) \pmod{77}$$

$$= (15 * 16 * 9) \pmod{77}$$

$$= (3 * 80 * 9) \pmod{77}$$

$$= (3 * 3 * 9) \pmod{77}$$

$$= 4$$

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# More About RSA Operation

- To break RSA, need to find  $d$ , given  $e$  and  $n$ 
  - » this can be done if we know  $(p-1)(q-1)$ , but that requires knowing  $p$  and  $q$
  - » and that requires being able to factor  $n$ , which is hard

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- Session keys

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large exponents

- because multiplication time grows of the number of bits
- » in practice, use RSA to exchange "s" for use with symmetric encryption method like AES

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- Keys can also be "reversed" – useful for authentication (coming next...)
  - » Sign with  $K_-$  (private) and verify signature with  $K_+$  (public)

$$K_-(K_+(m)) = m^{ed} \bmod n = m = m^{de} \bmod n = K_+(K_-(m))$$

# Elements of Network Security

## ■ *Confidentiality*

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# Digital Signatures

## ■ Authentication

- Digital signatures allow user to "sign" a document in a way that can't be forged

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documents ensures that u

- A can sign a message <https://eduassistpro.github.io/> with private key

- » message can then be "decrypted" using public key
- » so long as no one but A has access to private key, the message must have come from A

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- A can also encrypt message using B's public key to provide privacy

- »  $K_{+B}(K_{-A}(m))=c \Rightarrow K_{+A}(K_{-B}(c))=m$
- » Only B can decrypt it and B can confirm it came from A.

# Certificate Authorities

- Public-key systems require a secure way of making public keys available
  - » can't simply start by exchanging public keys in the clear, as this allows a "man-in-the-middle" attack
    - intruder, sitting between A and B, can substitute its own public key, causing A to encrypt using intruder can the key, so B can't
- Certificate Authority (CA) vouches for their public key
  - » CA provides Bob with *signed certificate* of Bob's identity
    - CA encrypts Bob's identifier and public key using CA's private key
  - » so, Alice decrypts certificate using CA's public key
    - public keys for "reputable" CAs "built in" to browsers
  - » security depends on trustworthiness/reliability of CAs

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# Verifying Message Integrity

- How do we prevent an intruder from tampering with messages?
  - » can encrypt and sign messages, but is this necessary?
- Use a *hash function*  $h$  to produce *message digest*
  - » sender computes  $h$ 
    - $s$  is a **shared secret**  $(h(m) + s) = \text{MAC}$  *Authentication Code*
  - » receiver computes
  - » requires hash function that is hard to
    - MD5, SHA-1, SHA-2, SHA-3 are common "cryptographic hash functions"
- Can also use this to reduce effort for digital signatures
  - » sender encrypts  $h(m)$  and sends pair  $(m, K_-(h(m)))$
  - » receiver computes  $h(m)$  and compares it to received value, after decrypting it using sender's public key

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# Traffic Attacks & Defenses Overview

## ■ Access and Availability

- Traffic attacks: The goal is to overwhelm the target's resources at either the network or host/application level

### » Network attacks

- DNS amplification attack: Requires access to open DNS server and use of spoofed addresses (that of the target)

rate lots of traffic without resorting to address spoofing

### » Application attacks

- TCP SYN attack: Seeks to exhaust server state re g lots of fake connections
- HTTP GET flood: Same concept but with HTTP
- TCP "shrew" attacks: takes advantage of TCP's o on later slide)

- Defenses: Aimed at detecting, redirecting, and preventing attacking packets from reaching their target (or the target's network)

### » Address filtering: Primarily aimed at countering address spoofing

### » Unicast Reverse Path Filtering (uRPF): Discards traffic arriving from incorrect or invalid interface (only works when routing is symmetric)

### » Black holes and sink holes: Used to attract unwanted traffic (backscatter) or redirect traffic for attack target

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# First Some Definitions

## ■ Bogon prefix

» route that should never appear in an internet routing table.

- Private, reserved, unallocated, etc.

» Often used by attn

contains bogon list Internet Ass <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>

» IPv4 bogon list is shrinking as address space is used up.

## ■ Internet Background Noise (IBN) [Add WeChat edu\\_assist\\_pro](#)

» Packets addressed to addresses or ports where there is no network device to receive them.

## ■ Backscatter

» IBN resulting from DDoS attack using spoofed addresses

# Network Ingress Filtering

- Defeating Denial of Service Attacks which employ IP Source Address Spoofing – BCP 38 (RFC 2827)

- » BCP: Internet Best Current Practices

- Chances were as invol-  
valid addresses

- » The latter can translate into a “dou- e., the spoofed source  
may now be filtered by the domain , or the response traffic  
may swamp the unwitting source, e.g., as with a DNS amplification  
attack

- Filter traffic entering router from a known domain to ensure that source address is from that domain.

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# Black-Hole Router

- Helps identify attacks when they start, including on the network infrastructure itself
  - Also called Networ
  - Targets the dark/u
  - Advertise reachability to prefix in
  - Inferring DDoS attacks from bac
- Assumes that attackers use randomly selected spoofed addresses, with "responses" from victims sent back to those random source addresses
- Extrapolates frequency, magnitude, and types of attacks from backscatter responses sent to address located in a "quiet" /8 network ( $1/256^{\text{th}}$  of the Internet address space)

# Sink Holes

- The network equivalent of a honey pot: One or more dedicated network/router that seeks to attract or divert attack traffic and support its analysis
  - » A double monitoring and defense role
  - » Advertise host route for server under attack
    - Diverts all attack traffic
  - » Advertise default route
    - Pulls in all internal (and external) traffic to bogon address space
- Other uses
  - » Monitoring scanning of infrastructure addresses (pre-attack)
    - By advertising default route of router for bogon IPs
  - » Monitoring activity on dark space (worms for locally infected clients)
  - » Capture backscatter, *i.e.*, responses (from attack victims) to bogon address space and addresses spoofed by attackers

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# DNS Attacks

- Redirecting traffic to an attacker by hijacking DNS replies
  - » Faking a response to a query requires only spoofing a source address and guessing an IP field value (DNS has no authentication)

easy to implement with

ing the various DoS attack

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reply to a high value will ensure that the fake answer for a long time)

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- » The scope of cache poisoning can range from a single client to a slave primary server handling an entire zone (the attack then targets the zone transfer messages)
- » DNSSEC (RFCs 4033, 4035) adds one-way authentication to DNS responses, *i.e.*, provides data integrity and origin authentication



# DNS Attacks (continued)

## ■ DNS Amplification Attack

- » Attacker issues DNS request with source address spoofed to target machine

NY". • Request asks for

es that amplification is a f

to the host under attack, **and** the si  
DNS records that can be used durin  
the size of the DNS replies)  
replies (creating fake  
significantly augment

## ■ DNSSEC does not prevent DNS amplification attacks

- » They only require spoofing the source address of DNS queries, but depend on access to open DNS servers

# Application Layer attacks: Low-Rate TCP-Targeted Denial of Service Attacks

- Most servers now have mechanisms to defend against TCP SYN attacks, so attackers need to be a bit more creative
- Rather than blast traffic to swamp a server, take advantage of TCP's behavior to mount effective attacks
  - Policies on sending probes
    - RTO: Retransmission TimeOut
      - » Another burst after another RTO can result in s experiencing repeated time-outs
- Effective even in the presence of flows with heterogeneous RTO and RTT values
  - » Select appropriate intermediate RTO value
  - » Can actually force the time-out synchronization of heterogeneous flows
- Neither router based schemes (RED-PD) nor end-host based schemes (RTO randomization) are able to successfully detect or diffuse the attacks

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