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CHAPTER 4

PUBLIC KEY CRYPTO

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Diffie-Hellman Key exchange

DIFFIE-HELLMAN



- Invented by Williamson (GCHQ) and, independently, by D and H (Stanford)
- A “key exchange” algorithm
 - Used to establish a shared symmetric key
- **Not for encrypting or signing**

- Security rests on difficulty of **discrete log problem**: (Not known: NP-complete)

given g, p , and $g^k \bmod p \rightarrow$ find k

DIFFIE-HELLMAN



- Let p be prime, let g be a **generator** (p, g are public)
 - For any $x \in \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$ there is n s.t. $x = g^n \bmod p$
- Alice selects secret value a
- Bob selects secret value b
- Alice sends $g^a \bmod p$ to Bob
- Bob sends $g^b \bmod p$ to Alice
- Both compute shared secret $g^{ab} \bmod p$
 - $(g^b)^a = g^{ba} = g^{ab} \bmod p$
- Shared secret can be used as symmetric key

DIFFIE-HELLMAN



- Suppose that Bob and Alice use $g^{ab} \bmod p$ as a symmetric key
- Trudy can see $g^a \bmod p$ and $g^b \bmod p$
- Note $g^a g^b \bmod p = g^{a+b} \bmod p \neq g^{ab} \bmod p$
- If Trudy can find a or b , system is broken
- If Trudy can solve **discrete log** problem, then she can find a or b

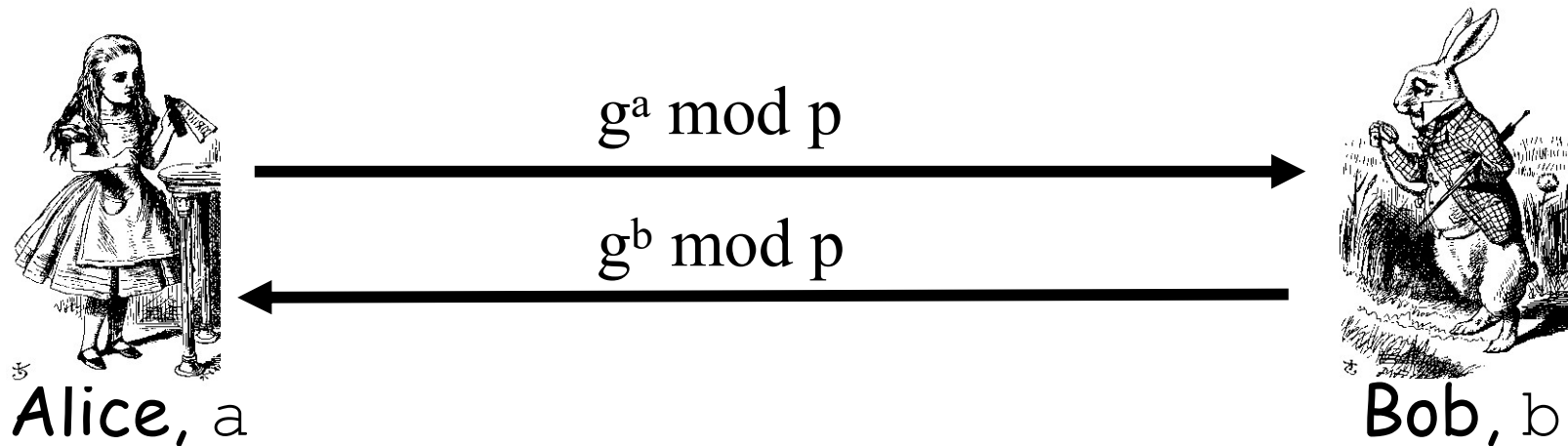
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○ **Public:** g and p

○ **Secret:** Alice's exponent a , Bob's exponent b



- Alice computes $(g^b)^a = g^{ba} = g^{ab} \bmod p$
- Bob computes $(g^a)^b = g^{ab} \bmod p$
- Could use $K = g^{ab} \bmod p$ as symmetric key

DIFFIE – HELLMAN KEY EXCHANGE: EXAMPLE

Domain parameters $p=29$, $g=2$

Alice

Choose random private key
 $a = 5$

Compute corresponding public key
 $A = g^a = 2^5 = 3 \bmod 29$

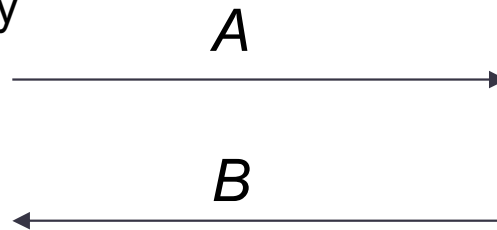
Compute common secret
 $k_{AB} = B^a = g^{ba} = 7^5 = 16 \bmod 29$

Bob

Choose random private key
 $b = 12$

Compute corresponding public key
 $B = g^b = 2^{12} = 7 \bmod 29$

Compute common secret
 $k_{AB} = A^b = g^{ab} = 3^{12} = 16 \bmod 29$



Proof of correctness:

Alice computes: $B^a = (g^b)^a \bmod p$

Bob computes: $A^b = (g^a)^b \bmod p$

i.e., Alice and Bob compute the same key k_{AB} !

Alice

Choose random private key
 $a \in \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$

Compute corresponding public key
 $A = \alpha^a \bmod p$

A

B

Compute common secret
 $k_{AB} = B^a = (g^a)^b \bmod p$

Bob

Choose random private key
 $b \in \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$

Compute corresponding public key
 $B = \alpha^b \bmod p$

Compute common secret
 $k_{AB} = A^b = (g^b)^a \bmod p$

We can now use the joint key k_{AB}
for encryption, e.g., with AES

$$y = AES_{k_{AB}}(x)$$

y

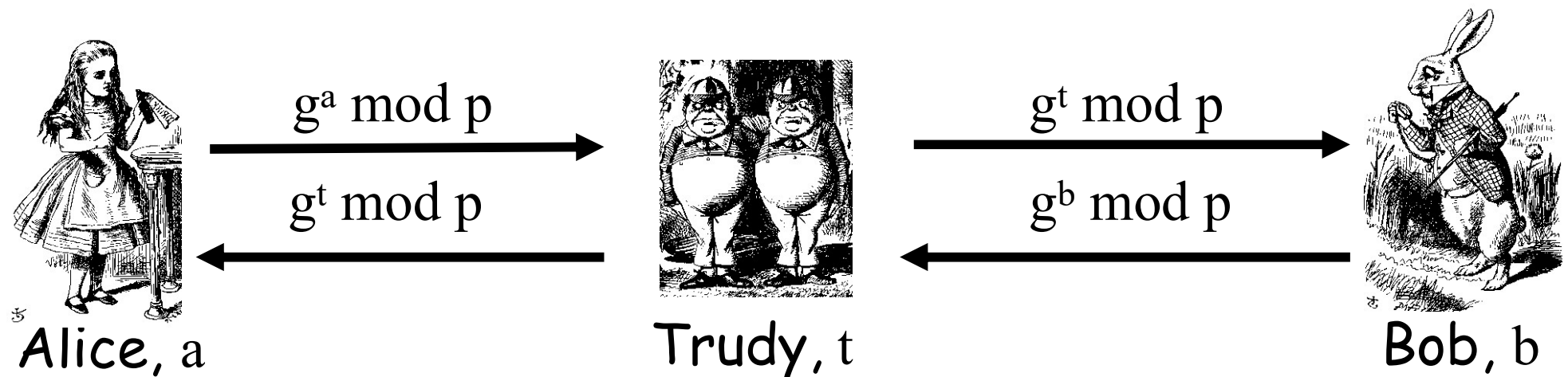
$$x = AES^{-1}_{k_{AB}}(y)$$

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○ Subject to **man-in-the-middle (MiM)** attack



- Trudy shares secret $g^{at} \bmod p$ with Alice
- Trudy shares secret $g^{bt} \bmod p$ with Bob
- Alice and Bob don't know Trudy exists!

DIFFIE-HELLMAN



○ How to prevent MiM attack?

○ Solutions

1. Encrypt DH exchange with symmetric key
2. Encrypt DH exchange with public key
3. Sign DH values with private key
4. Other?

○ You **MUST** be aware of MiM attack on Diffie-Hellman

ECC: ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTOGRAPHY

ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTO (ECC)



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- “Elliptic curve” is **not** a cryptosystem
 - Elliptic curves are a different way to do the math in public key system
- Elliptic curve versions of DH, RSA, etc.
- Elliptic curves may be more efficient
 - Fewer bits needed for same security
 - But the operations are more complex

WHAT IS AN ELLIPTIC CURVE?



- An elliptic curve E is the graph of an equation of the form

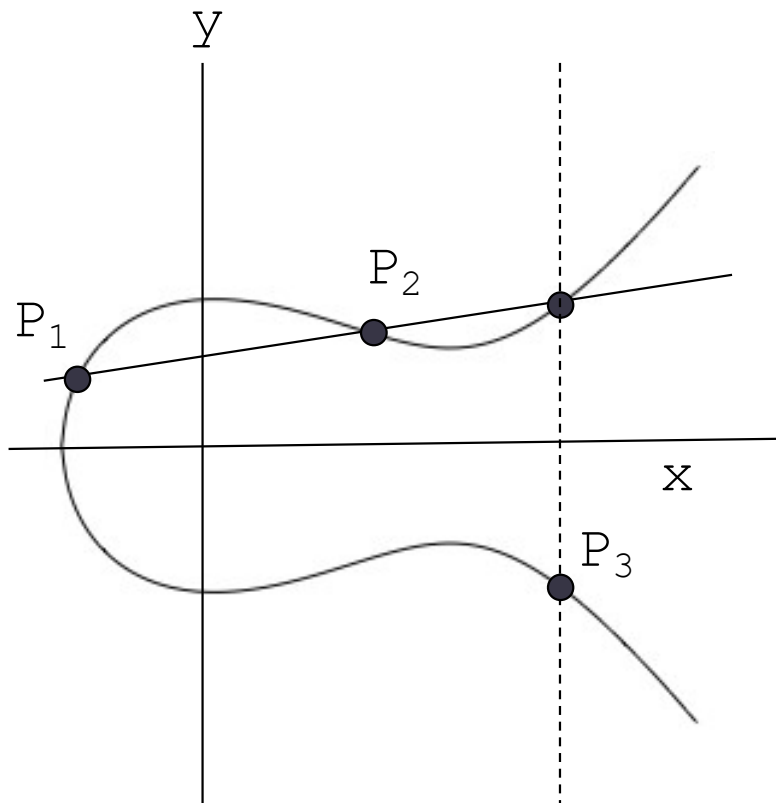
$$y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$$

- Also includes a “point at infinity” : ∞
- What do elliptic curves look like?
- See the next slide!

ELLIPTIC CURVE PICTURE



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- Consider elliptic curve

$$E: y^2 = x^3 - x + 1$$

- If P_1 and P_2 are on E , we can define

$$P_3 = P_1 + P_2$$

as shown in picture

- **Addition is all we need**

- For discrete points, we add “mod p ” to the EC

KEY SIZE COMPARISON



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<i>Symmetric</i>	<i>ECC</i>	<i>RSA, DL</i>	<i>Remark</i>
64 Bit	128 Bit	≈ 700 Bit	Only short term security (a few hours or days)
80 Bit	160 Bit	≈ 1024 Bit	Medium security (except attacks from big governmental institutions etc.)
128 Bit	256 Bit	≈ 3072 Bit	Long term security (without quantum computers)

USES FOR PUBLIC KEY CRYPTO

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- Confidentiality
 - Transmitting data over insecure channel
 - Secure storage on insecure media
- Authentication (later)
- Digital signature provides integrity and **non-repudiation**
 - **No** non-repudiation with symmetric keys
 - Who has the secret key is the key for non-repudiation.

NON-REPUDIATION



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- Alice orders 100 shares of stock from Bob
- Alice computes **MAC** using symmetric key
- Stock drops, Alice claims she did not order
- Can Bob prove that Alice placed the order?
- **No!** Since Bob also knows symmetric key, he could have forged message
- **Problem:** Bob knows Alice placed the order, but he can't prove it

NON-REPUDIATION



- Alice orders 100 shares of stock from Bob
- Alice **signs** order with her private key
- Stock drops, Alice claims she did not order
- Can Bob prove that Alice placed the order?
- **Yes!** Only someone with Alice's private key could have signed the order
- This assumes Alice's private key is not stolen (revocation problem)

PUBLIC KEY NOTATION



- **Sign** message M with Alice's **private**
key: $[M]_{\text{Alice}}$
- **Encrypt** message M with Alice's **public**
key: $\{M\}_{\text{Alice}}$
- Then

$$\{[M]_{\text{Alice}}\}_{\text{Alice}} = M$$

$$[\{M\}_{\text{Alice}}]_{\text{Alice}} = M$$

CONFIDENTIALITY AND NON-REPUDIATION?



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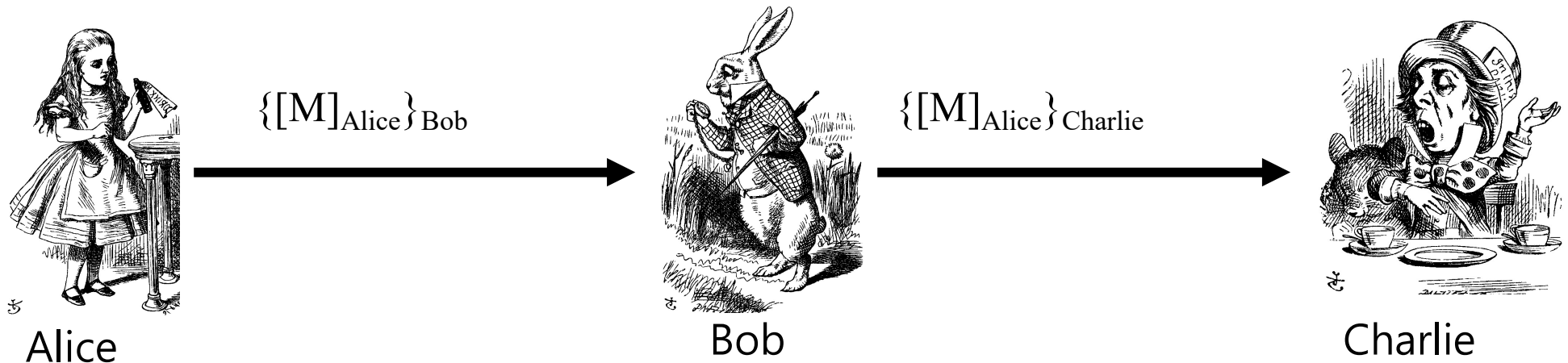
- Suppose that we want confidentiality and integrity/non-repudiation
- Can public key crypto achieve both?
- Alice sends message to Bob
 - **Sign and encrypt:** $\{[M]_{\text{Alice}}\}_{\text{Bob}}$
 - **Encrypt and sign:** $[\{M\}_{\text{Bob}}]_{\text{Alice}}$
- Can the order possibly matter?

SIGN AND ENCRYPT



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□ $M = \text{"I love you"}$



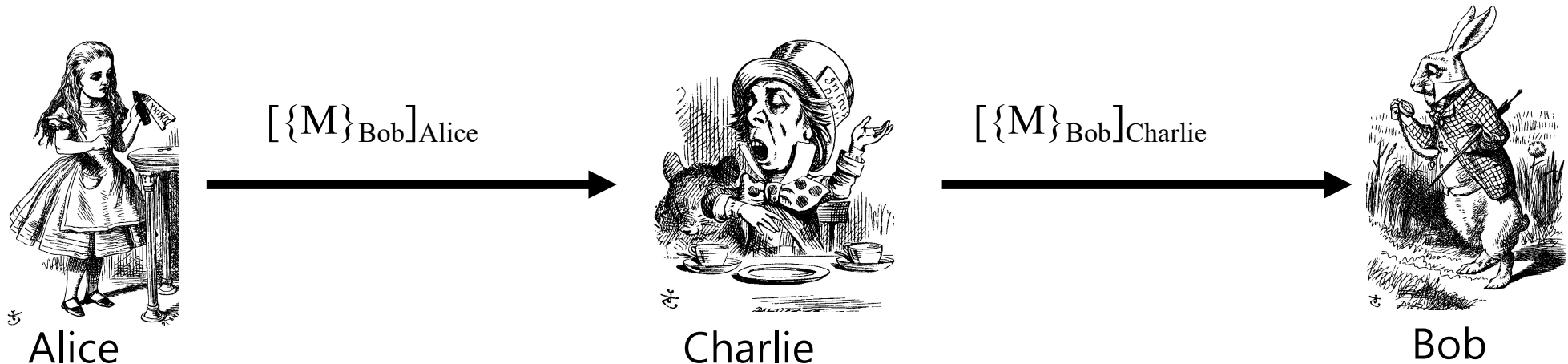
- **Q:** What's the problem?
- **A:** No problem — public key is public

ENCRYPT AND SIGN



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- $M = \text{"My theory, which is mine...."}$



- **Note** that Charlie cannot decrypt M
- **Q:** What is the problem?
- **A:** No problem — public key is public

PUBLIC KEY CERTIFICATE



- Digital **certificate** contains name of user and user's public key (possibly other info too)
- It is *signed* by the issuer, a *Certificate Authority* (CA), such as VeriSign

$M = (\text{Alice}, \text{Alice's public key}), S = [M]_{CA}$

Alice's Certificate = (M, S)

- Signature on certificate is verified using CA's public key

Must verify that $M = \{S\}_{CA}$

CERTIFICATE AUTHORITY



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- Certificate authority (CA) is a trusted 3rd party (TTP) — creates and signs certificates
- Verify signature to verify **integrity** & identity of **owner of corresponding private key**
 - Does **not** verify the identity of the **sender** of certificate — certificates are public!
- Big problem if CA makes a mistake
 - CA once issued Microsoft cert. to someone else
- A common format for certificates is X.509

HASH FUNCTION?



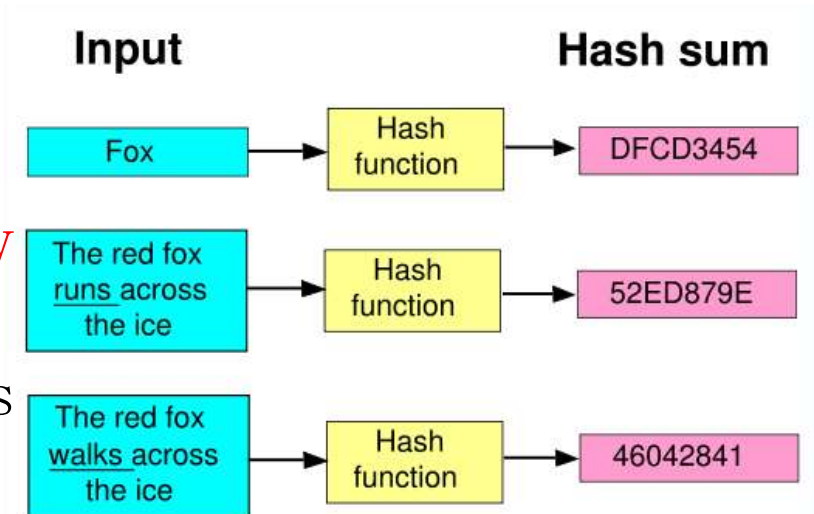
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○ Hash function

- a reproducible method of turning some kind of data into a (relatively) small number that may serve as a digital "fingerprint" of the data.

● Crypto Hash function

- a hash function with certain additional security properties to make it suitable for use as various info security applications



HASH FUNCTION MOTIVATION



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- Suppose Alice signs **M**
 - Alice sends M and $S = [M]_{\text{Alice}}$ to Bob
 - Bob verifies that $M = \{S\}_{\text{Alice}}$
 - Aside: Is it OK to just send S ?
- If M is big, $[M]_{\text{Alice}}$ is costly to compute
- Suppose instead, Alice signs $h(M)$, where $h(M)$ is much smaller than M
 - Alice sends M and $S = [h(M)]_{\text{Alice}}$ to Bob
 - Bob verifies that $h(M) = \{S\}_{\text{Alice}}$

CRYPTO HASH FUNCTION



- Crypto hash function $h(x)$ must provide the following properties
- **Compression**
 - output length is small
- **Efficiency**
 - $h(x)$ easy to computer for any x
- **One-way**
 - given a value y it is infeasible to find an x such that $h(x) = y$

- **Weak collision resistance**

- given x and $h(x)$, infeasible **to find** y
with $y \neq x$ such that $h(y) = h(x)$

- **Strong collision resistance**

- infeasible **to find any** x and y ,
with $x \neq y$ such that $h(x) = h(y)$

- Lots of collisions exist, but hard to find one

○ MD(Message Digest) 5

- invented by Rivest

- 128 bit output

- MD2 → MD4 → MD5

- MD2 and MD4 are no longer secure, due to collision found

- Note: even MD5, collision recently found

○SHA(Secure Hash Algorithm)-1

- A US government standard (similar to MD5)
- “The world’s most popular hash function”
- 180 bit output
- SHA-0 → SHA-1
- Many others hashes, but MD5 and SHA-1 most widely used

Hash usages

HASH USES



- Authentication (HMAC)
- Message integrity (HMAC)
- Message fingerprint
- Data corruption detection
- Digital signature efficiency
- Anything you can do with symmetric crypto ???

ONLINE AUCTION



- Suppose Alice, Bob and Charlie are bidders
- Alice plans to bid A, Bob B and Charlie C
- They don't trust that bids will stay secret
- Solution?
 - Alice, Bob, Charlie submit **hashes** $h(A)$, $h(B)$, $h(C)$
 - All hashes received and posted online
 - Then bids A, B and C revealed
- Hashes don't reveal bids (one way)
- Can't change bid after hash sent (collision)

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○ Digital Watermarks

- The “Digital Watermarking” name from watermarking of paper or money as a security measure
- A technique which allows an individual to add hidden copyright notices to digital audio, video, or image signals and documents
- Defense against music or software piracy
- Example: Add “invisible” identifier to data
- Digital watermarking can be a form of steganography

INFORMATION HIDING DIGITAL WATERMARK



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- Add a “mark” to data
- Several types of watermarks
- Type 1
 - Invisible — Not obvious the mark exists
 - Visible — Such as **TOP SECRET** stamp
- Type 2
 - Robust — Readable even if attacked
 - Fragile — Mark destroyed if attacked

INFORMATION HIDING DIGITAL WATERMARK



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- Add **robust invisible** mark to digital music
 - If pirated music appears on Internet, can trace it back to original source
- Add **fragile invisible** mark to audio file
 - If watermark is unreadable, recipient knows that audio has been tampered (integrity)
- Combinations of several types are sometimes used
 - E.g., visible plus robust invisible watermarks

INFORMATION HIDING STEGANOGRAPHY



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- **Steganography – “Hidden writing”**
 - The art and science of writing hidden messages
 - recipient does not know of the existence of the mssg
 - Hide the fact that information is being transmitted – a kind of **covert channel (Ch8)**
 - Secret communication channel
 - Cryptography, where the existence of the message itself is not disguised, but the content is obscured.
 - Example: Hide data in image or music file

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- According to **Herodotus** (Greece 440BC)
 - Shaved slave's head
 - Wrote message on head
 - Let hair grow back
 - Send slave to deliver message
 - Shave slave's head to expose message (warning of Persian invasion)
- Historically, Steganography has been used more than cryptography!

INFORMATION HIDING STEG EXAMPLE



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- Images use 24 bits for color: **RGB**
 - 8 bits for **red**, 8 for **green**, 8 for **blue**
- For example
 - **0x7E 0x52 0x90** is this color
 - **0xFE 0x52 0x90** is this color
- While
 - **0xAB 0x33 0xF0** is this color
 - **0xAB 0x33 0xF1** is this color
- Low-order bits are unimportant!

INFORMATION HIDING STEG EXAMPLE



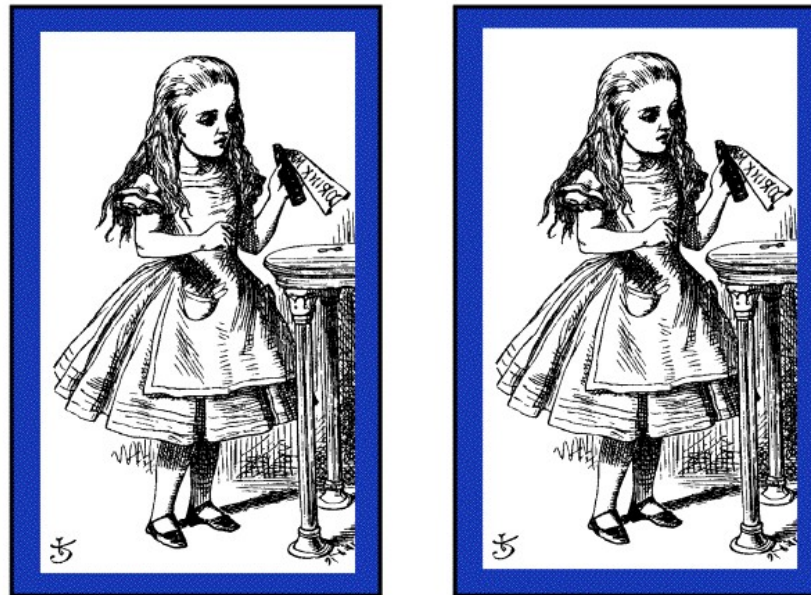
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- Given an uncompressed image file
 - For example, BMP format
- Then we can insert any information into low-order RGB bits
- Since low-order RGB bits don't matter, result will be “invisible” to human eye
- But a computer program can “see” the bits

INFORMATION HIDING STEG EXAMPLE 1



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○Left side: plain Alice image

○Right side: Alice with entire *Alice in Wonderland* (pdf) “hidden” in image

INFORMATION HIDING STEG EXAMPLE 2



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Non-Steganography Example

- Walrus.html in web browser

"The time has come," the Walrus said,
"To talk of many things:
Of shoes and ships and sealing wax
Of cabbages and kings
And why the sea is boiling hot
And whether pigs have wings."

○ View source

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<font color="#000000">"The time has come," the Walrus said,</font><br>  
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INFORMATION HIDING STEG EXAMPLE 2



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- stegoWalrus.html in web browser

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<font color="#000100">"To talk of many things:</font><br>  
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<font color="#000101">Of cabbages and kings</font><br>  
<font color="#000000">And why the sea is boiling hot</font><br>  
<font color="#010001">And whether pigs have wings."</font><br>
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- "Hidden" message: 110 010 110 011 000 101

INFORMATION HIDING STEGANOGRAPHY



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- Some formats (jpg, gif, wav, etc.) are more difficult (than html) for humans to read
- Easy to hide information in **unimportant bits**
- Easy to **destroy** or remove info stored in unimportant bits!

INFORMATION HIDING STEGANOGRAPHY



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- To be robust, information must be stored in **important bits**
- But stored information must not damage data!
- **Collusion attacks** also a major concern
 - The original and watermarked object can be compared
- Robust steganography is trickier than it seems

THE BOTTOM LINE OF INF HIDING



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- If information hiding is suspected
 - Attacker can probably make information/watermark unreadable
 - Attacker may be able to read the information, given the original document (image, audio, etc.)



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CHAPTER 5

HASH FUNCTIONS

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- SHA -Secure Hash Algorithm
- MD5 – Message Digest
- The process
 - Sender use MD5
 - Append Message Digest to plain text
 - Send it to receiver
 - Receiver compute with MD5
 - Receiver compare MD5, MD5

MD5 ALGORITHM (128 BIT)



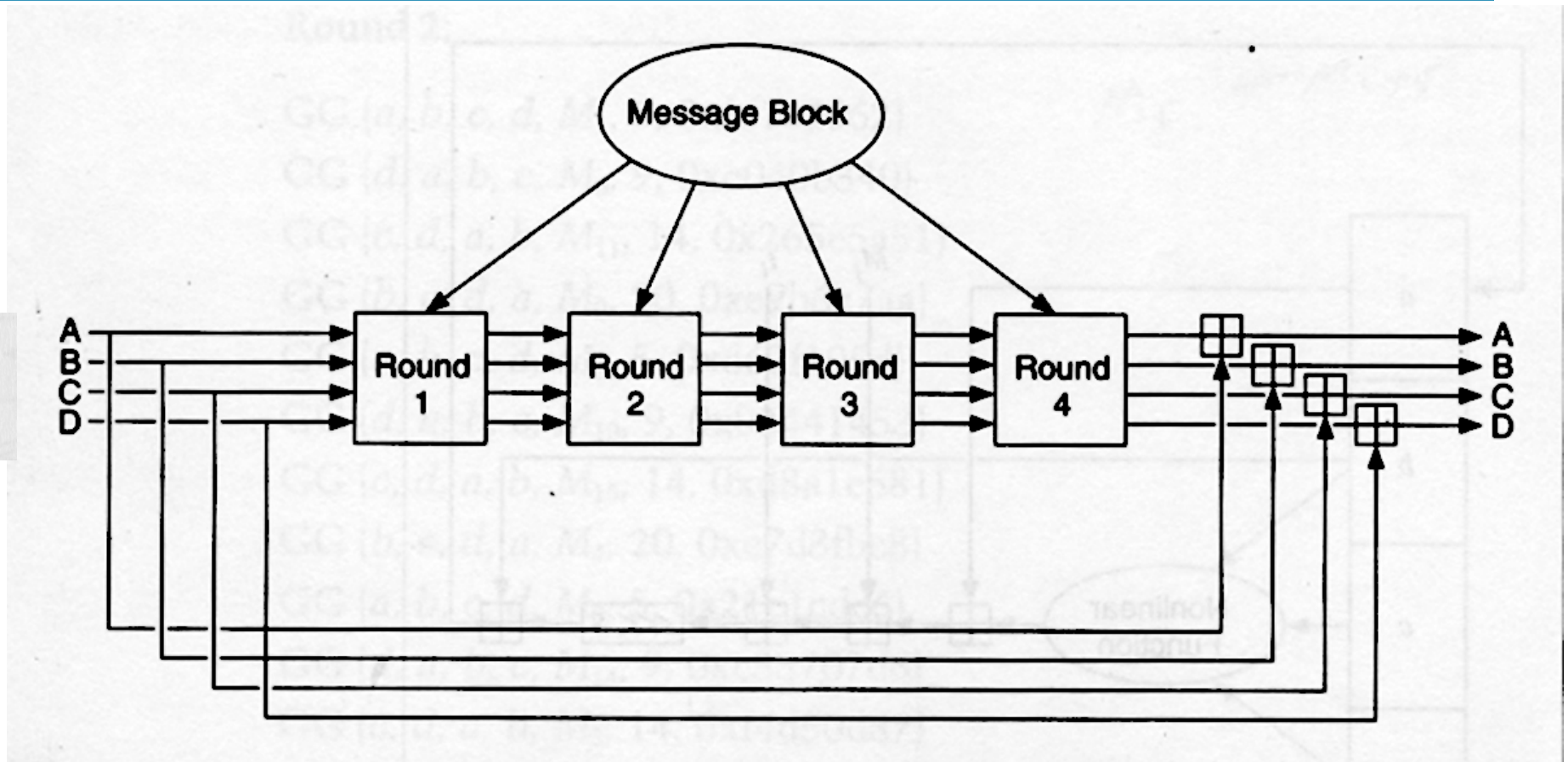
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1. The Message is padded to an exact multiple of 512 bit blocks.
 - a. Append 64 bit representation
2. Initiate the MD buffers (32-bit, 4 buffer, A, B, C, D)
3. Process the each block (512)
4. Output (message digest in buffers)

MAIN MD5 LOOP

IVs

A = 0x01234567
B = 0x89abcdef
C = 0xfedcba98
D = 0x76543210

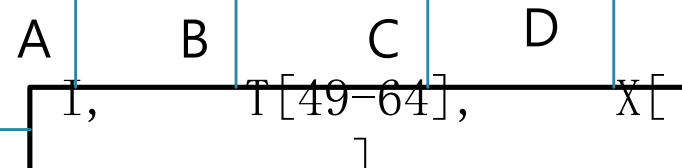
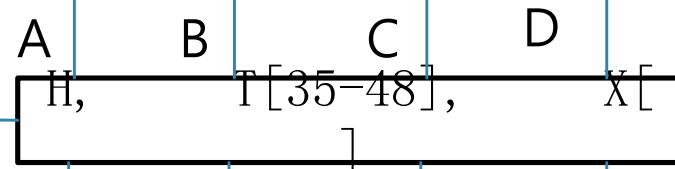
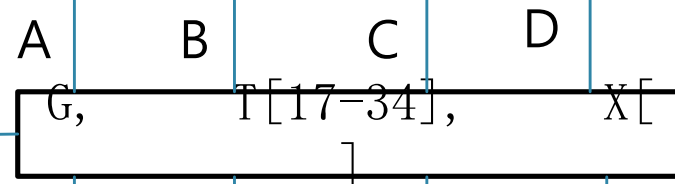
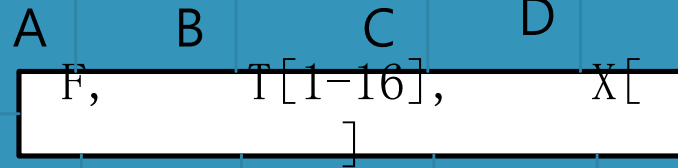


Initializing Vector

Plain text, X

512

32



MD



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Each round have 16 constraints and 16 steps. Each constraint will use in each step.

Uses 4 32-bit inputs: a , b , c , d

Also uses a 32-bit sub-block of the message block
Generates 4 32-bit outputs for the next round step or the next round

DIFFICULTY IN CRACKING



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- Md5, with its 128bit encryption algorithm has 1,280,000,000,000,000,000 possible combinations.
- Even if the exact same hash value found, possible other string combination could have created it.
- It is considered that the md5 message digest would take an unrealistic time to crack via brute force attack.

PROS/CONS MD5



- Easy to use
- Widely used
- Considered secure
- Difficult to crack
- Is susceptible to brute force attacks
- Hash collisions is a known flaw
- Quantum computers would make such an algorithm worthless