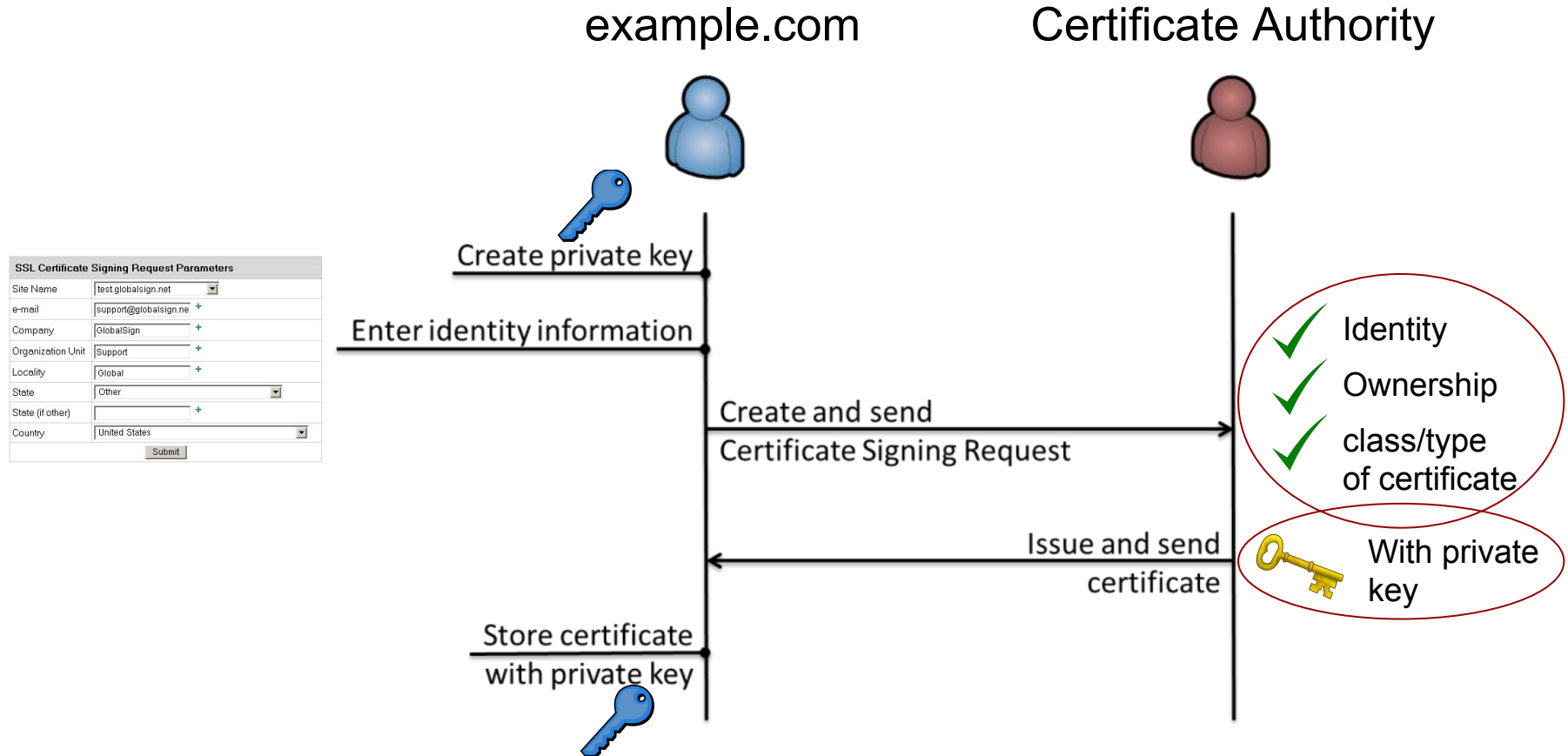


# Decentralized Certificate Authority

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# Review - Creating a Certificate



# Motivation

## Google Reducing Trust in Symantec Certificates Following Numerous Slip-Ups

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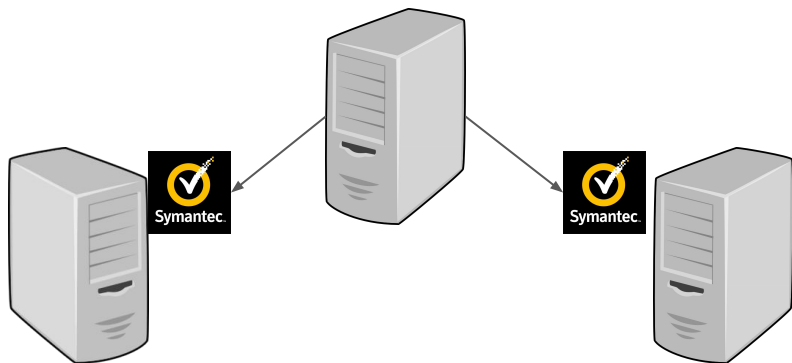
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### Hacked Certificate Authorities - Nothing Left to Trust

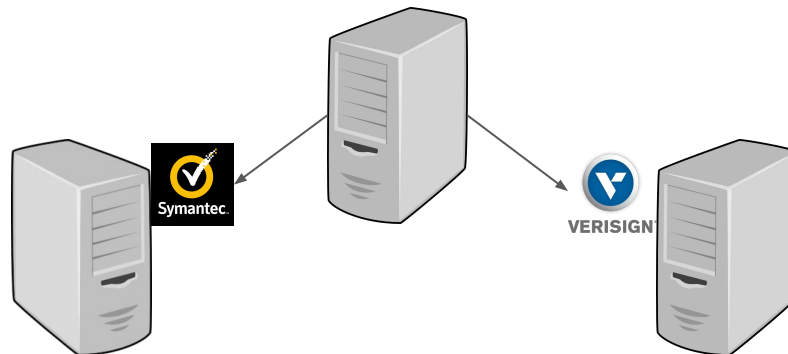
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2011 Comodo and DigiNotar

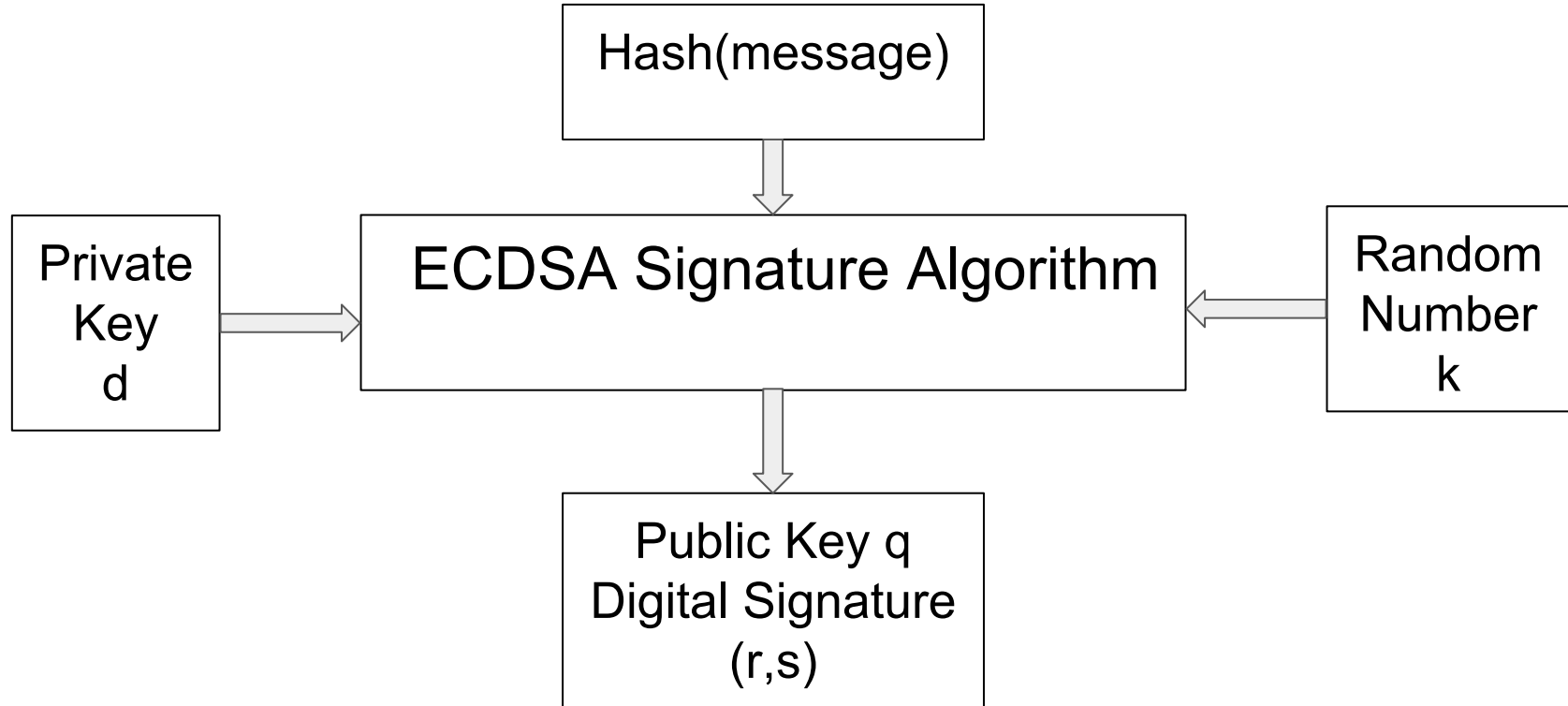
The certificates are  
only as trustworthy as  
the weakest CA...



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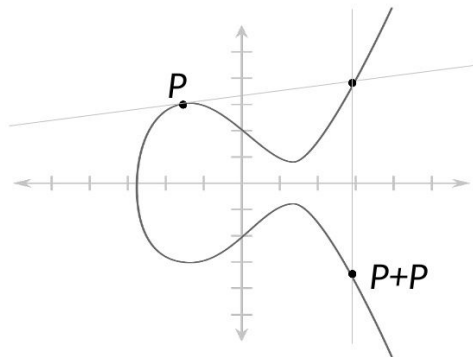


# Background - Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA)



# Background - Elliptic Curve DSA

Sample Curve



## ECDSA Signature Algorithm

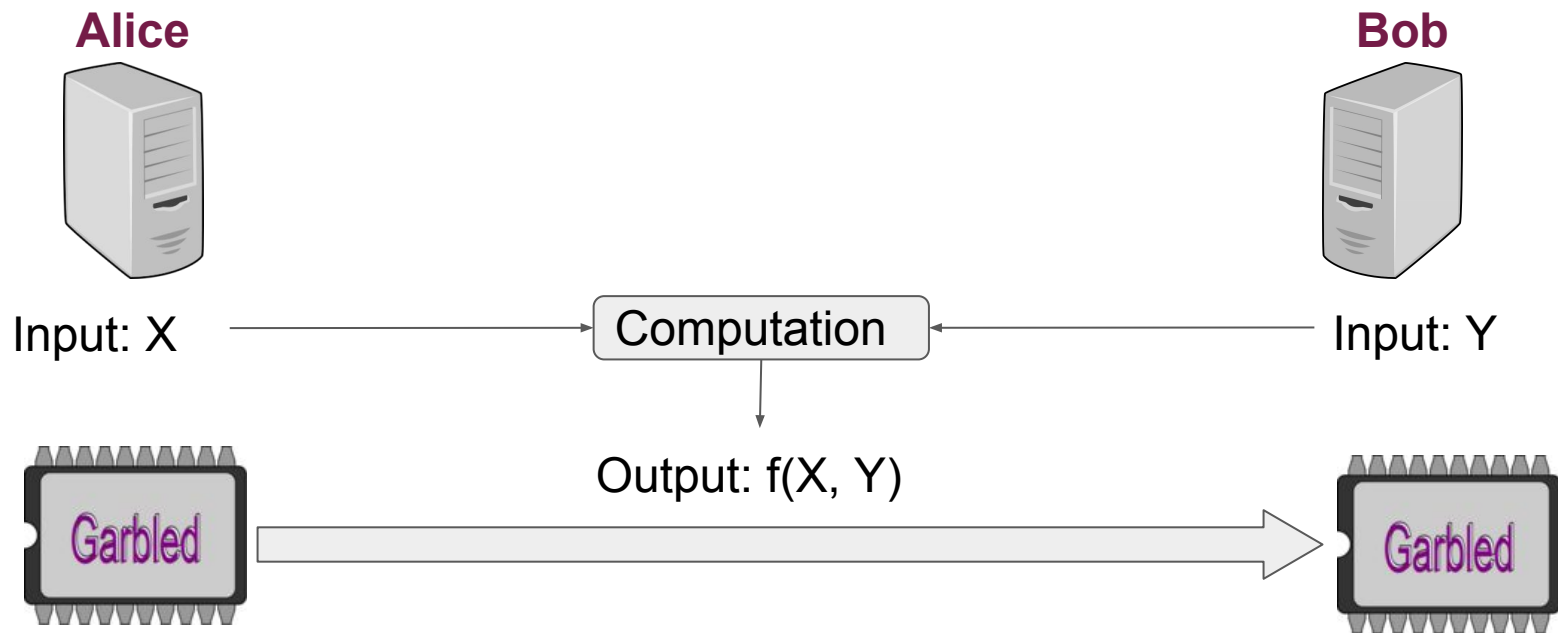
Parameters =  $(p, b, G, n, h)$

Public Key:  
 $Q = d * G$

Signature:  
 $(x, y) = k * G$   
 $r = x \bmod n$   
 $s = k^{-1}(\text{Hash}(m) + rd)$

$d$  = CA private key  
 $k$  = Random number  
 $m$  = info to be signed

# Background - Secure Multiparty Computation



Alice generates the Circuit

Bob evaluates the Circuit

# Framework ==> OblivC + Absentminded Crypto

Generic Computation

Obliv-C



```
obliv int x, y, z;
```

```
feedOblivInt(&x, io->x, 1);
```

```
feedOblivInt(&y, io->y, 2);
```

```
z = x + y;
```

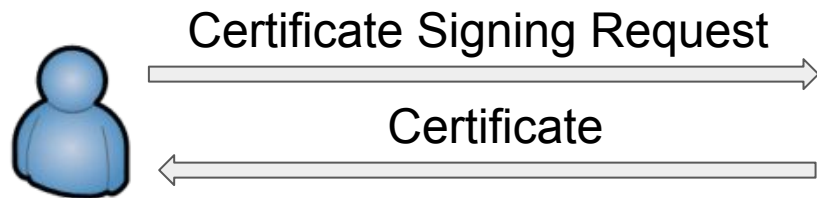
```
revealOblivInt(&io->z, z, 0);
```

Absentminded Crypto provides ‘big number’ arithmetic over OblivC!

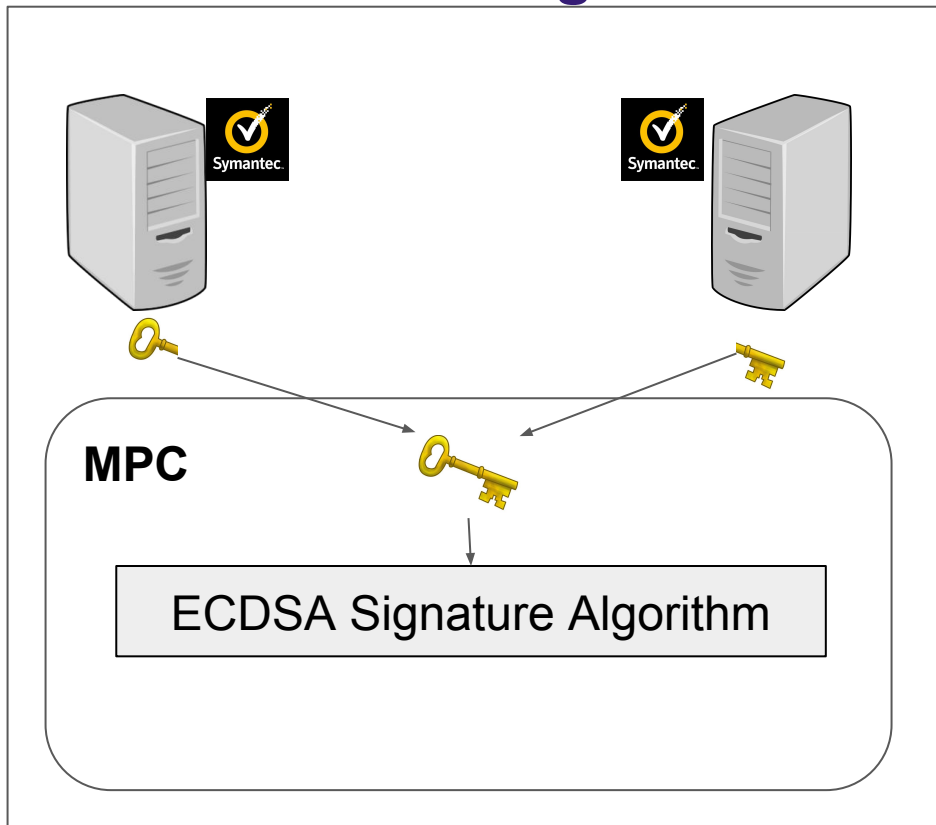
Use **obig** keyword for big numbers..

# Decentralized CA using MPC

## CA Organization

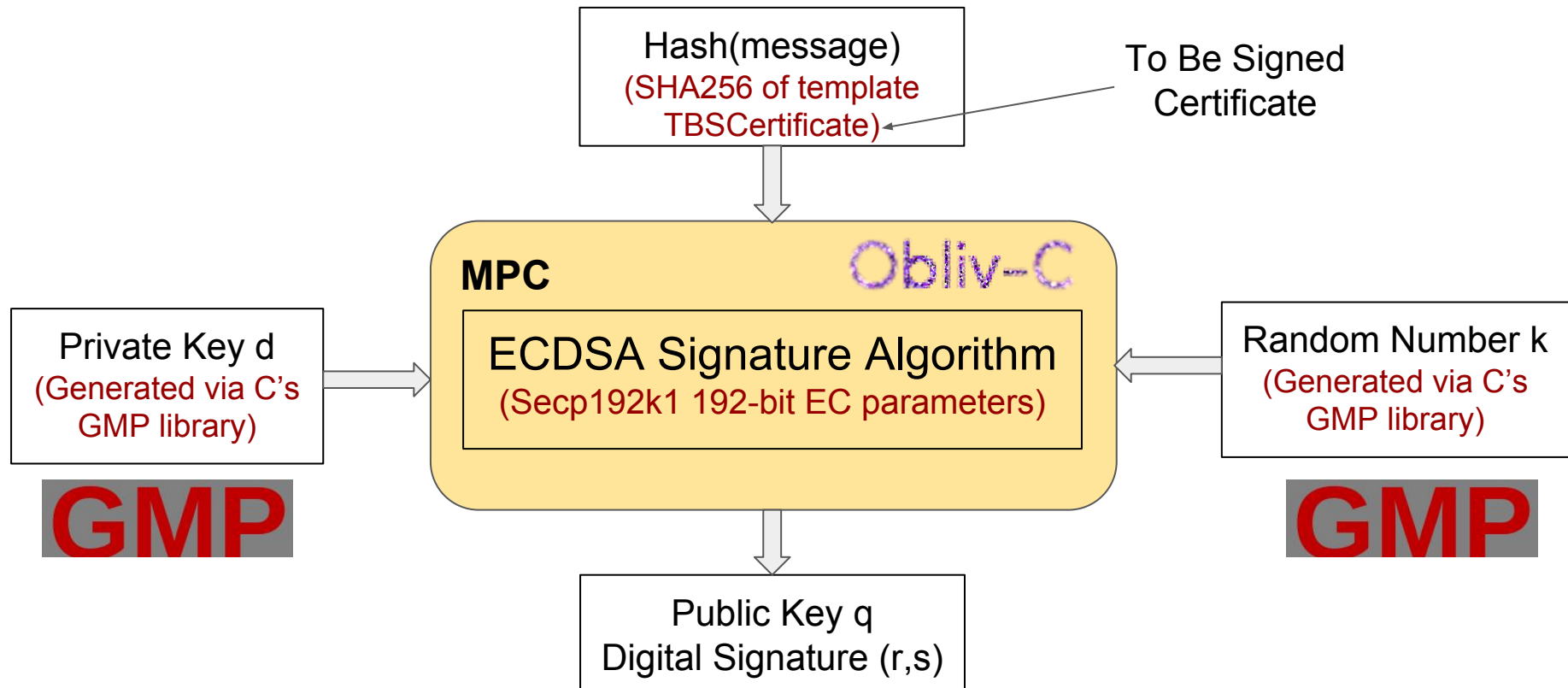


**example.com**





# Implementation in C



# Experiments

3-4 hours to perform certificate signing using 'secp192k1' elliptic curve.

**Computation Bottleneck:** Curve Point-multiplication!

```
pointMultiplication(G, k):
```

```
  N ← G
```

```
  Q ← 0
```

```
  for i from 0 to m do
```

```
    if  $k_i = 1$  then
```

```
      Q ← pointAdd(Q, N)
```

```
      N ← pointDouble(N)
```

```
  return Q
```

```
pointAdd(P, Q):
```

$$\lambda = \frac{Q_y - P_y}{Q_x - P_x}$$

$$R_x = \lambda^2 - P_x - Q_x$$

$$R_y = \lambda(P_x - R_x) - P_y$$

Signature:

$$(x, y) = k * G$$

$$r = x \bmod n$$

$$s = k^{-1}(\text{Hash}(m) + rd)$$

```
pointDouble(P):
```

$$\lambda = \frac{3P_x^2 + a}{2P_y}$$

$$R_x = \lambda^2 - 2P_x$$

$$R_y = \lambda(P_x - R_x) - P_y$$

# Conclusion

Decentralized CA is feasible in practice

Certificate Signing takes around 3-4 hours, which can be optimized

Deployment in open source tool OpenSSL

