# Computer Network Ch8. Network Security



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# 1. What is network security?

#### **Confidentiality**

only sender, intended receiver should "understand" message contents

#### **Message Intergrity**

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

#### **Authentication**

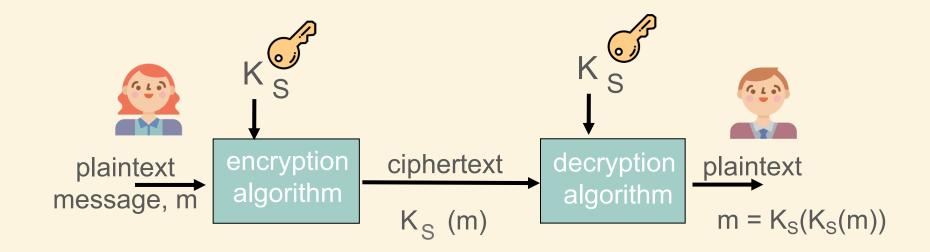
sender, receiver want to confirm identity of each other

#### **Access and Availability**

services must be accessible and available to users

# 2. Principle of cryptography

### Symmetric key cryptography

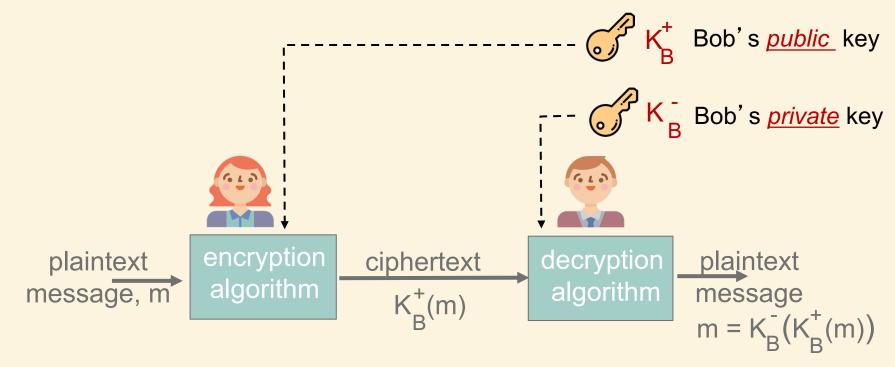


symmetric key crypto: Bob and Alice share same (symmetric) key: K<sub>S</sub>

• e.g., key is knowing substitution pattern in mono alphabetic substitution cipher

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### Public key cryptography



- sender, receiver do not share secret key
- public encryption key known to all
- private decryption key known only to receiver

# 3. Message integrity, authentication

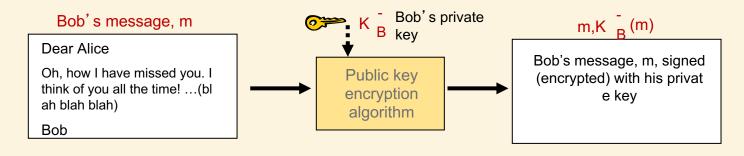
### **Digital signiture**

#### 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

#### simple digital signature for message m:

• Bob signs m by encrypting with his private key  $K_B$ , creating "signed" message,  $K_B(m)$ 



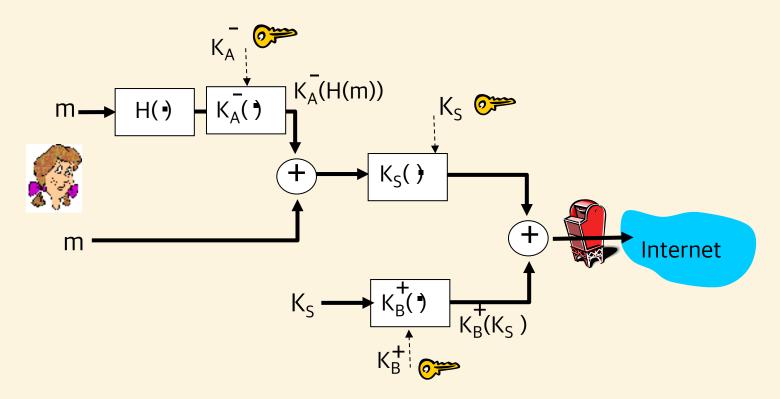
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### **Authentication**



### 4. Securing e-mail

Alice wants to provide secrecy, sender authentication, message integrity.



Alice uses three keys: her private key, Bob's public key, newly created symmetric key

# 5. Securing TCP connections: SSL

#### 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

# 5. Securing TCP connections: SSL

### **SSL** and TCP/IP

**Application** 

**TCP** 

IP

**Application** 

SSL

TCP

IP

 SSL provides application programming interface (API) to applications

 C and Java SSL libraries/classes readily available

normal application

application with SSL

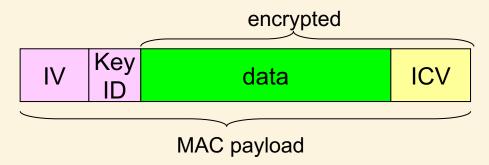
# 6. Network layer security: IPsec

#### **IPsec**

- 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

# 7. Securing wireless LANs

<u>WEP</u>



encryption

- sender calculates Integrity Check Value (ICV, four-byte hash/CRC over data
- each side has 104-bit shared key
- sender creates 24-bit initialization vector (IV), appends to key: gives 128-bit key
- sender also appends keyID (in 8-bit field)
- 128-bit key inputted into pseudo random number generator to get keystream
- data in frame + ICV is encrypted with RC4

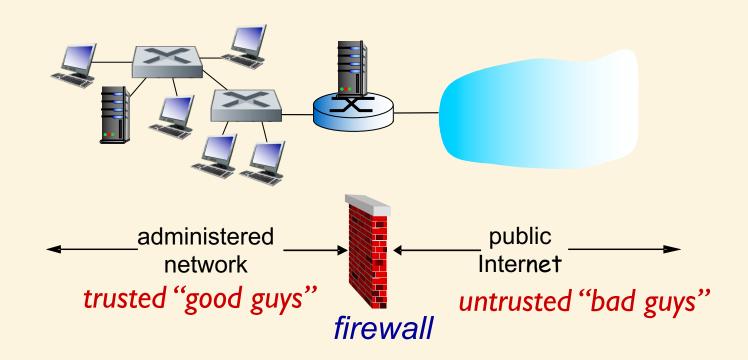
#### decryption

- receiver extracts IV
- inputs IV, shared secret key into pseudo random generator, gets keystream
- XORs keystream with encrypted data to decrypt data + ICV
- verifies integrity of data with ICV

# 8. Operational security: firewalls and IDS

### **Firewalls**

isolates organization's internal net from larger Internet, allowing some packets to pass, blocking others



# 8. Operational security: firewalls and IDS

### **IDS:** intrusion detection system

- packet filtering:
  - operates on TCP/IP headers only
  - no correlation check among sessions
- IDS: intrusion detection system
  - deep packet inspection: look at packet contents (e.g., check character strings in packet against database of known virus, attack strings)
  - examine correlation among multiple packets
    - port scanning
    - network mapping
    - DoS attack

