

# NuCypher KMS: Decentralized Key-Management System

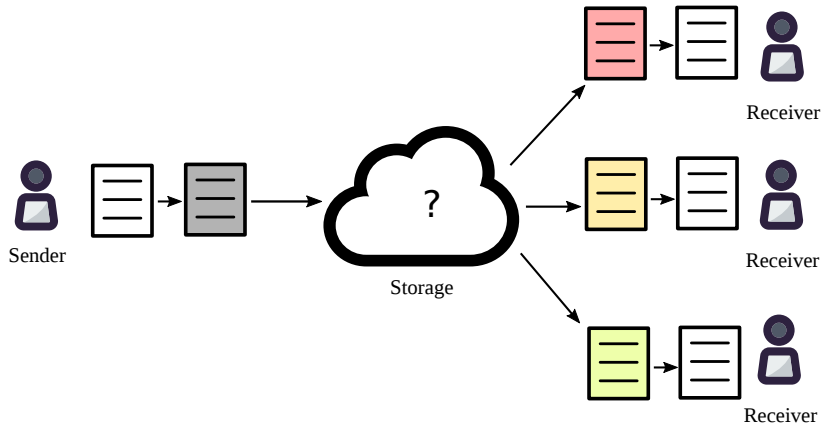
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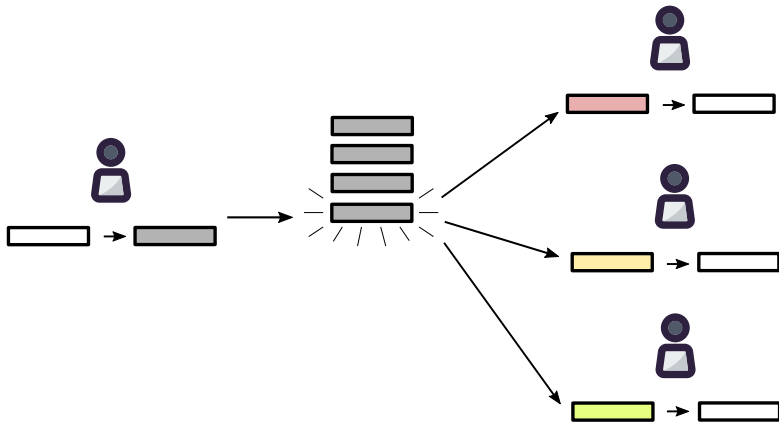
# Why

## Encrypted file sharing



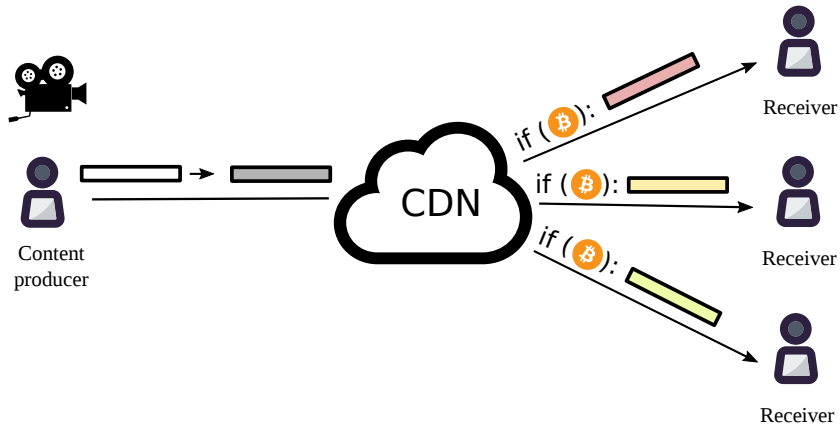
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## Encrypted multi-user chats



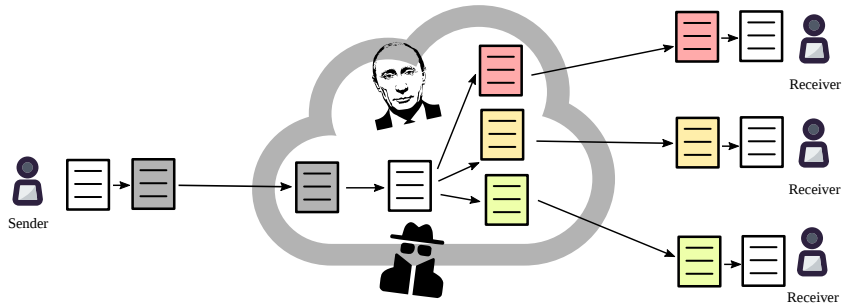
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## Decentralized Netflix



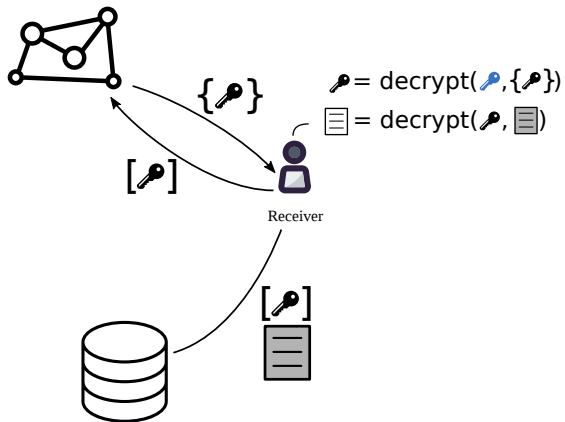
# Central server + TLS

Data vulnerable to hackers, state actors etc

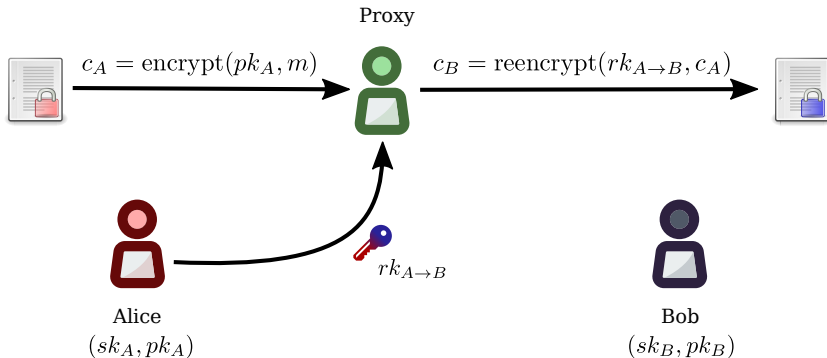


# Solution

## Proxy re-encryption + decentralization

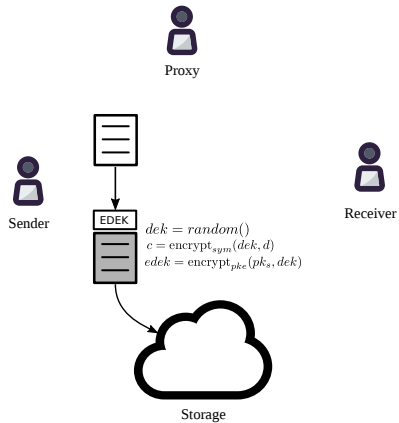


# What is proxy re-encryption (PRE)



# Centralized KMS using PRE

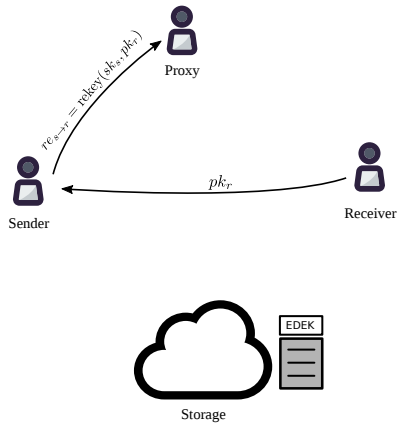
## Encryption





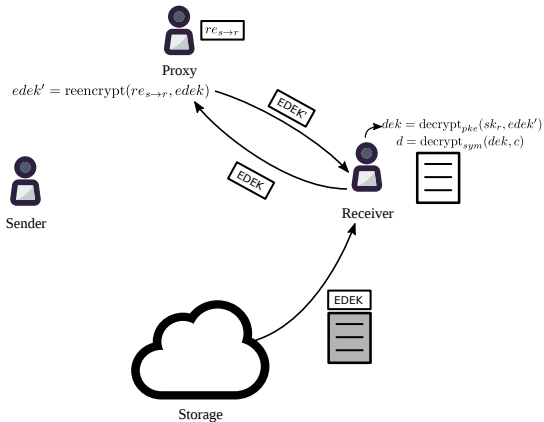
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## Access delegation



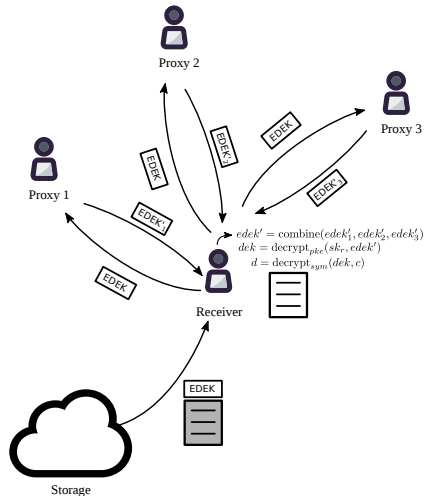
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## Decryption



# Decentralized key management

Using threshold split-key re-encryption (Umbral)

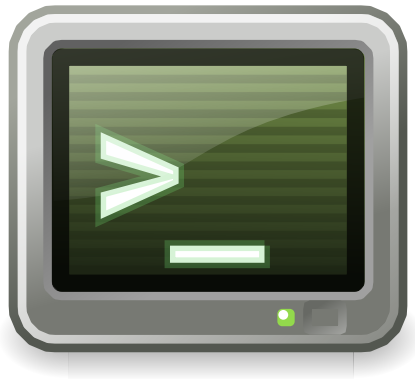


<https://github.com/nucypher/nucypher-kms/>

# Umbral: Threshold Proxy Re-Encryption

- “Umbral” is Spanish for “threshold”
- PRE properties: Unidirectional, single-hop, non-interactive
- It follows a KEM/DEM approach:
  - ▶ UmbralKEM provides the threshold re-encryption capability
  - ▶ The DEM can be any authenticated encryption (currently ChaCha20-Poly1305)
- IND-PRE-CCA security
- Verification of re-encryption correctness through Non-Interactive ZK Proofs of Knowledge
- Code: <https://github.com/nucypher/pyUmbral/>
- Documentation (WIP): <https://github.com/nucypher/umbral-doc>

# PRE demo



# KMS token

## Purpose

- Splitting trust between re-encryption nodes (more tokens = more trust and more work);
- Proof of Stake for minting new coins according to the mining schedule;
- Security deposit to be at stake against malicious behavior of nodes

# KMS token

## Mining

Mining reward:

$$\text{reward} = \frac{\text{locked\_tokens} \times \text{reward\_rate}}{\sum_{\text{all miners}} \text{locked\_tokens}} + \sum_{\text{this miner}} \text{miner\_fees}$$

# Usage examples

## Decentralized marketplaces:

- Datum.

## Decentralized databases:

- Bluzelle;
- Fluence;
- Wolk.

## Medical data sharing

- Medibloc;
- IRYO;
- Medixain;
- Wholesome.

## IoT

- Spherity (together with BigchainDB).

## Cryptocurrency keys

- Coval Emblem Vault



# KMS mock code demo



## Useful links



**Website:** <https://nucypher.com/blockchain.html>

**Github:** <https://github.com/nucypher/>

**PyUmbral on Github:** <https://github.com/nucypher/pyUmbral/>

**Discord:** <https://discord.gg/7rmXa3S>

**Whitepaper:** <https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.06140>

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