Using Cryptography to Protect Integrity

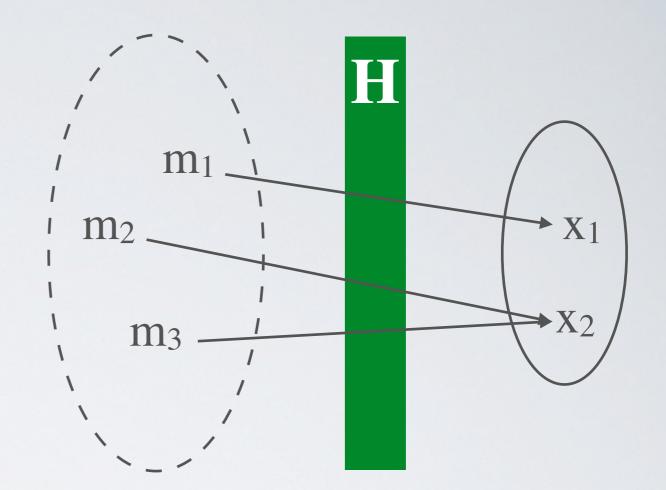
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Overview

- One new tool in the cryptography toolbox:
 Hash Functions
- Using Symmetric Encryption:
 Message Authentication Code and Authenticated Encryption
- Using Asymmetric Encryption :
 Digital Signatures

Cryptographic Hash Functions

Cryptographic Hashing



H(m) = x is a hash function if

- H is one-way function
- m is a message of any length
- x is a message digest of a fixed length
- \rightarrow H is a lossy compression function necessarily there exists x, m₁ and m₂ | H(m₁) = H(m₂) = x

Computational Complexity



- Given H and m, computing x is easy (polynomial or linear)
- Given H and x, computing m is hard (exponential)
- → H is not invertible

Preimage Resistance and Collision Resistance



PR - Preimage Resistance (a.k.a One Way)

→ given H and x, hard to find m
 e.g. password storage

2PR - Second Preimage Resistance (a.k.a Weak Collision Resistance)

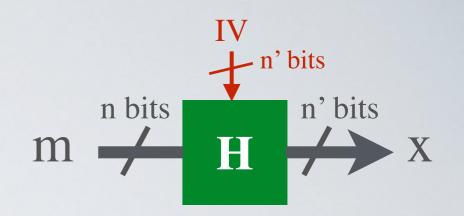
 \Rightarrow given H, m and x, hard to find m' such that H(m) = H(m') = x e.g. virus identification

CR - Collision Resistance (a.k.a Strong Collision Resistance)

 \Rightarrow given H, hard to find m and m' such that H(m) = H(m') = x e.g. digital signatures

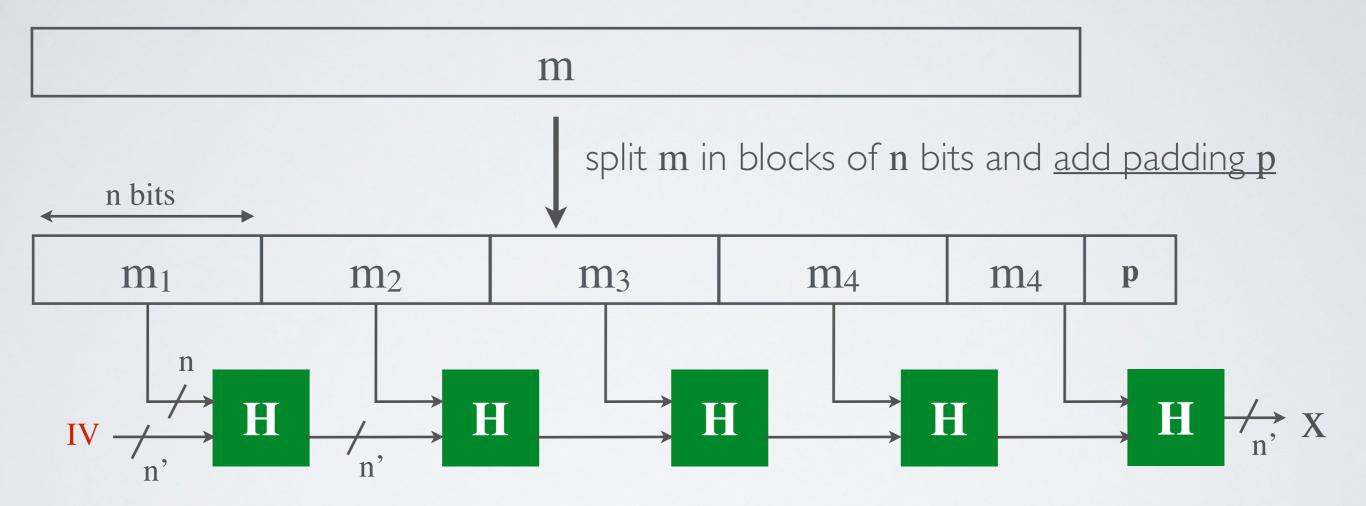
CR → 2PR and CR → PR

Common Hash Functions



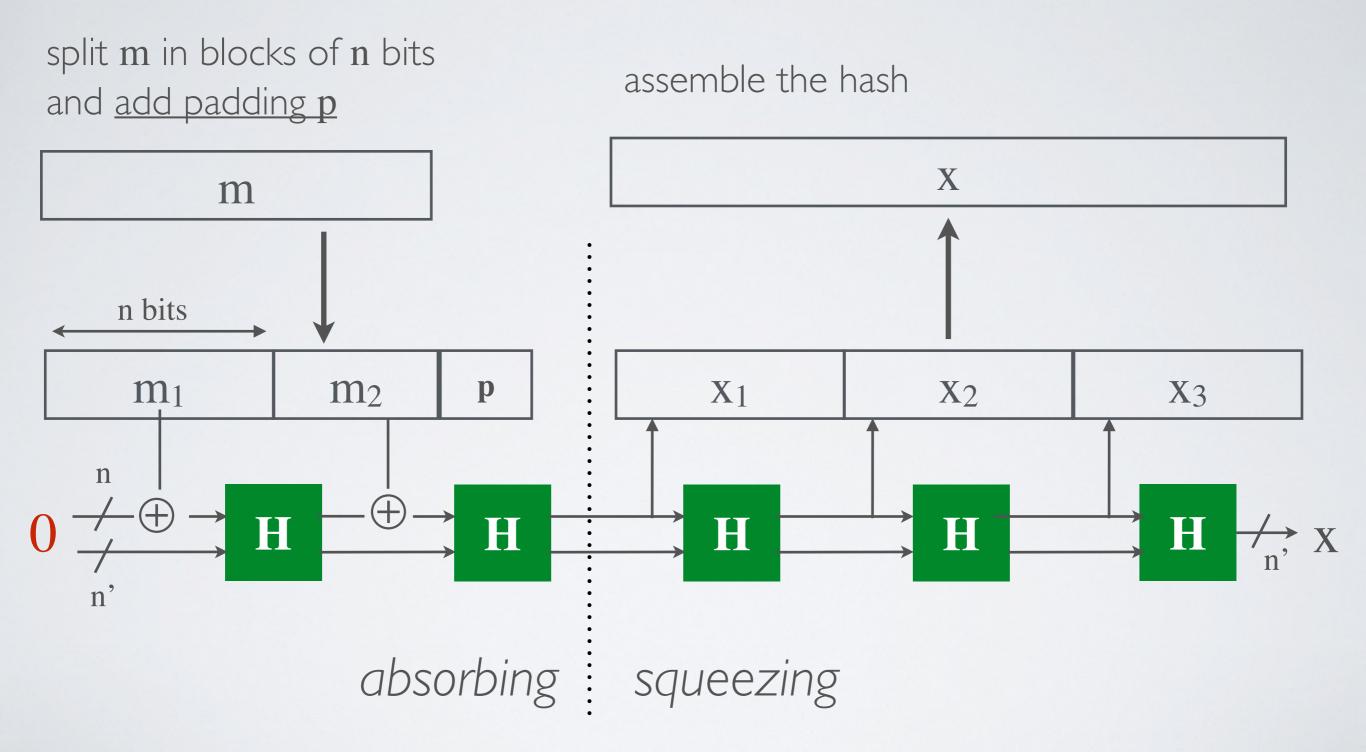
Name	MD5	SHA-I	SHA-2				SHA-3 (Keccak)			
Variant			SHA-224	SHA-256	SHA-384	SHA-512	SHA3-224	SHA3-256	SHA3-38 4	SHA3-512
Year	1992	1993	2001			2012				
Designer	Rivest	NSA	NSA Guido Bertoni, Joan Daemen, Mich Peeters, and Gilles Van Assche			chaël				
Input n bits	512	512	512	512	1024	1024	1152	1088	832	576
Output n' bits	128	160	224	256	384	512	224	256	384	512
Construction		<u> </u>	Merkle–Damgård				Sponge			
Speed cycle/byte	6.8	11.4	15.8 17.7			12.5				
Considered Broken	yes	yes	no			no				

How to hash long messages? Merkle–Damgård construction (MD5, SHA-1 and SHA-2)



Property: if H is CR then Merkel-Damgard is CR

How to hash long messages? Sponge construction (SHA-3)



Property: if H is CR then Sponge is CR

CR - Collision Resistance

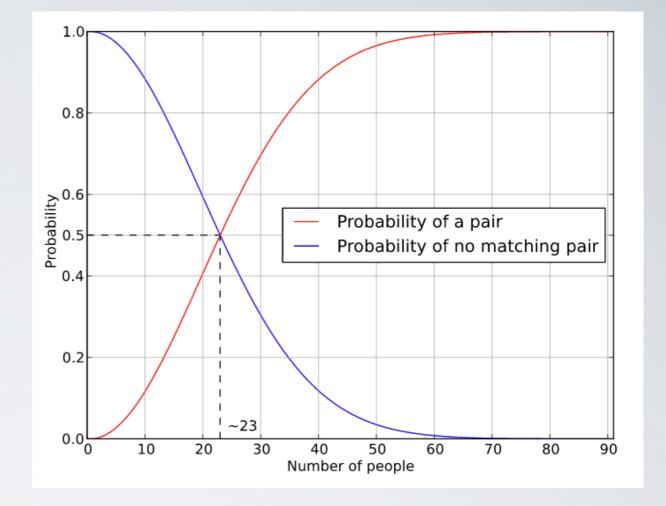
 \Rightarrow given H, hard to find m and m' such that H(m) = H(m') = x

Given a hash function H of n bits output

- There are 2ⁿ hashes
- Given a specific hash, an attacker will find the corresponding input in 2^{n-1} tries

Birthday Paradox

"There are 50% chance that 2 people have the same birthday in a room of 23 people"



N-bits security

→ Given a hash function H of n bits output,
 a collision can be found in around 2^{n/2} evaluations
 e.g SHA-256 is 128 bits security

Broken hash functions beyond the birthday paradox

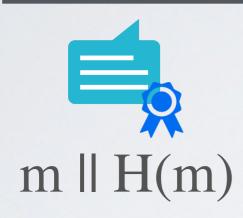
	Year	Collision
MD5	2013	2 ²⁴ evaluations (2 ³⁹ with prefix)
SHA-I	2015	2 ⁵⁷ evaluations

Message Authentication Code

Hashing







Apache HTTP Server 2.4.23 (httpd): 2.4.23 is the latest available version

The Apache HTTP Server Project is pleased to <u>announce</u> the release of version 2.4.23 of the Apache HTTP Server ("Apache" and "httpd"). This version of Apache is our latest GA release of the new generation 2.4.x branch of Apache HTTPD and represents fifteen years of innovation by the project, and is recommended over all previous releases!

For details see the Official Announcement and the CHANGES 2.4 and CHANGES 2.4.23 lists

• Source: httpd-2.4.23.tar.bz2 [PGP] [MD5] [SHA1]

• Source: httpd-2.4.23.tar.gz [PGP] [MD5] [SHA1]

MAC - Message Authentication Code

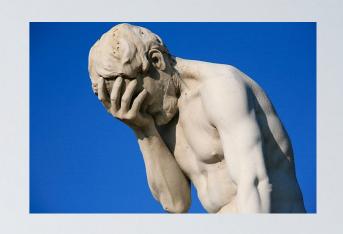


Alice an Bob share a key k

→ HMAC - use a hash function on the message and the key

$$MAC_k(m) = H(k \mid m)$$

Length Extension Attack



Vulnerable: All Merkle–Damgård-based hash functions so MD5, SHA-1 and SHA-2 (but not SHA-3)

Flickr's API Signature Forgery Vulnerability

Thai Duong and Juliano Rizzo

Date Published: Sep. 28, 2009

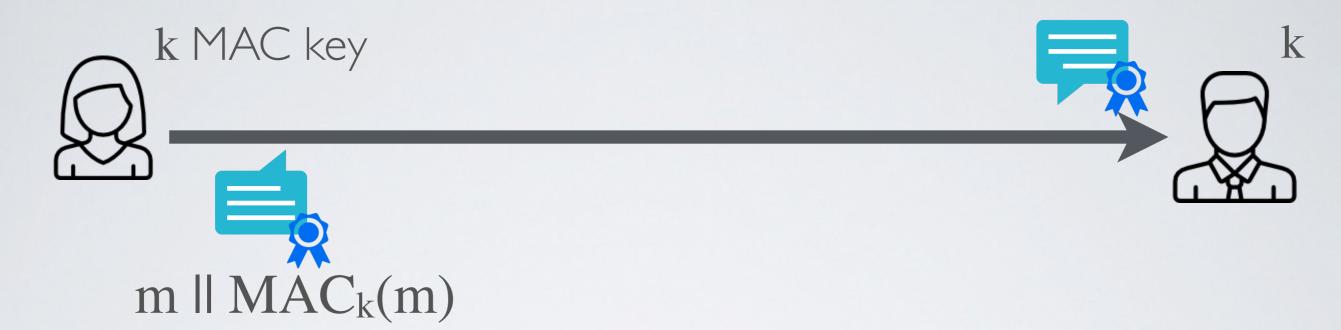
Advisory ID: MOCB-01

Advisory URL: http://netifera.com/research/flickr_api_signature_forgery.pdf

Title: Flickr's API Signature Forgery Vulnerability

Remotely Exploitable: Yes

Good HMAC



Alice an Bob share a key k

→ Option I : envelope method

 $MAC_k(m) = H(k \parallel m \parallel k)$

→ Option 2 : padding method (i.e. HMAC standard)

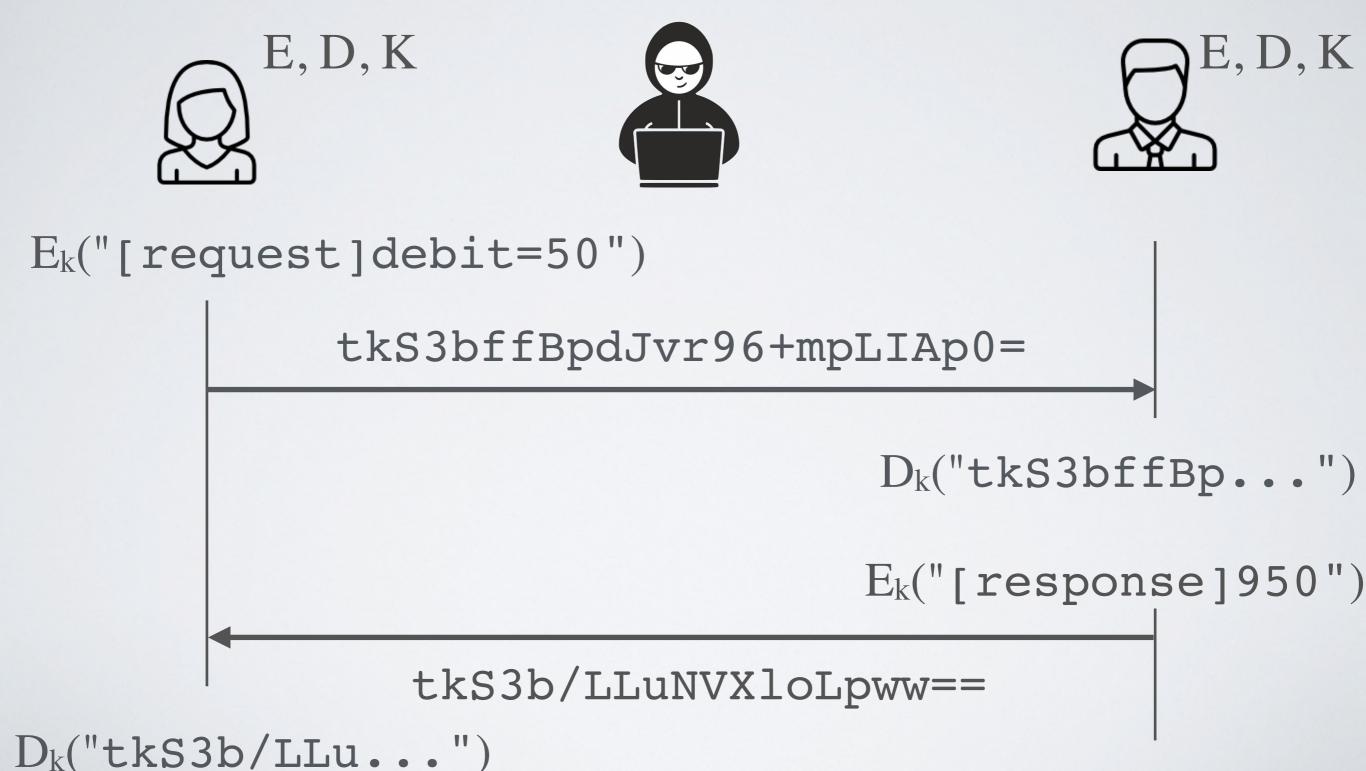
 $HMAC_k(m) = H((k \oplus opad) || H((k \oplus ipad) || m))$

Authenticated Encryption

Example



Ensuring confidentiality with encryption



Ensuring integrity with an HMAC

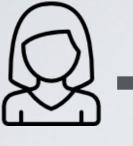


Security mechanisms

	Encryption	MAC	Authenticated Encryption
Confidentiality			
Integrity			

Authenticated Encryption (2013)

Alice an Bob share a key K



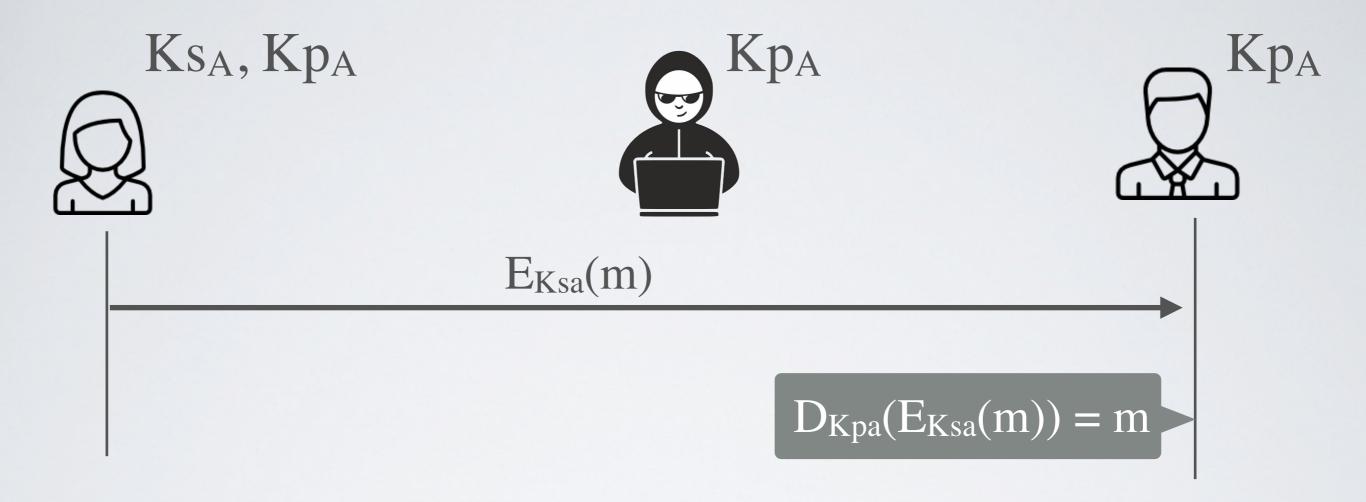




Encrypt-and-MAC (E&M)	$AE_k(m) = E_K(m) \parallel H_K(m)$	SSH
MAC-then-Encrypt (MtE)	$AE_k(m) = E_K(m \parallel H_K(m))$	SSL
Encrypt-then-MAC (EtM)	$AE_k(m) = E_K(m) \parallel H_K(E_K(m))$	AES-GCM

Digital Signatures

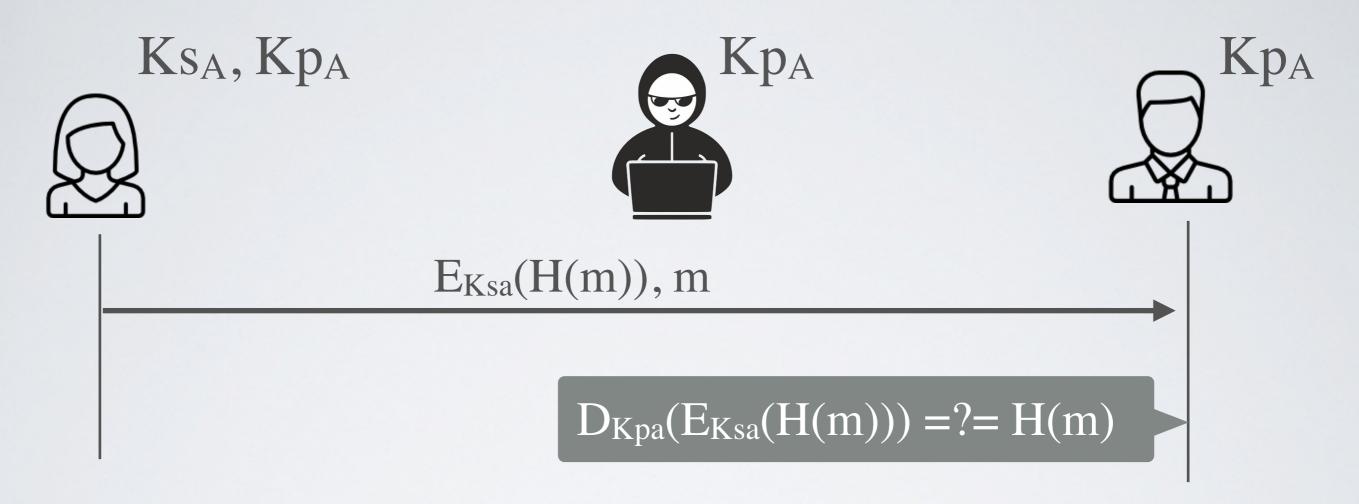
Asymmetric encryption for integrity



Alice encrypts a message m with her private key KsA

- Everybody can decrypt m using Alice's public key KpA
- ✓ Authentication with non-repudiation (a.k.a Digital Signature)

The Naive Approach of Digital Signatures



- I. Alice signs the message m by encrypting the hash of m with her private key Ks_A
- 2. Alice sends the message m (in clear) and the encrypted hash to Bob
- 3. Bob decrypts H(m) using Alice's public key Kp_A and verifies that it matches the hash of the message m received

Digital Signatures Schemes in Practice

The precursors

- ElGamal signature
- Schnorr signature

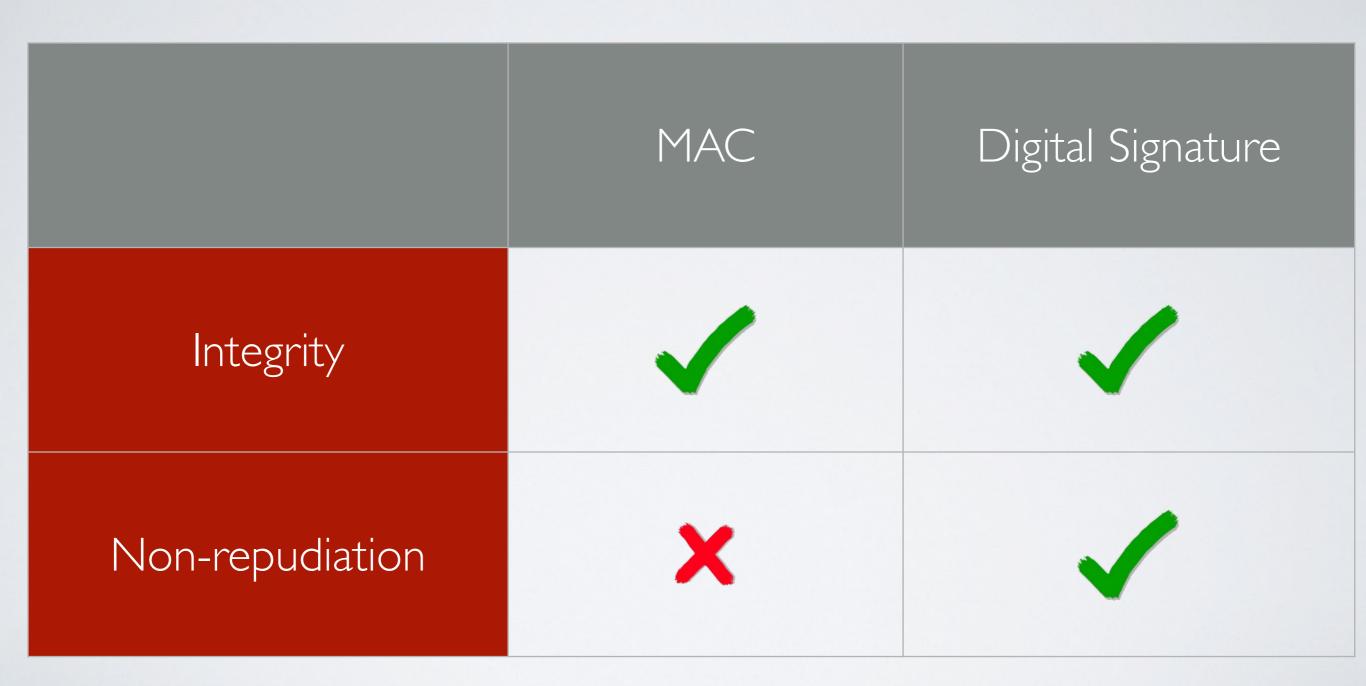
The standards

- DSA Digital Signature Algorithm (RSA-based)
- ECDSA Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECC-based)

The newcomer

• EdDSA - Edwards-curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECC-based)

Non-repudation as a special case of integrity



How to verify your Ubuntu download

NOTE: You will need to use a terminal app to verify an Ubuntu ISO image. These instructions assume basic knowledge of the command line, checking of SHA256 checksums and use of GnuPG.

Verifying your ISO helps insure the data integrity and authenticity of your download. The process is fairly straightforward, but it involves a number of steps. They are:

- 1. Download SHA256SUMS and SHA256SUMS.gpg files
- 2. Get the key used for the signature from the Ubuntu key server
- 3. Verify the signature
- 4. Check your Ubuntu ISO with sha256sum against the downloaded sums

After verifying the ISO file, you can then either install Ubuntu or run it live from your CD/DVD or USB drive.