

# Quick note

## ❖ Check Piazza

## ❖ Part 1 goal:

- 1. You log in to Inxsr
- 2. Use ssh-agent (if you have a passphrase for your key, you can use it here)
- 3. “ssh \_\_\_\_@inxsrv.seas.ucla.edu” should not ask for password OR passphrase

## ❖ More people came to office hours

- Poll: is 5pm-7pm better than 4pm-6pm?
- You can also email me

## ❖ Reminders:

- Weekly quiz
- Assignment 2 is meant to be easy
- If you expect to be busy soon, start other assignments early!

# Feedback / Office Hours

## ❖ Tameez Latib

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- Office Hours: Monday **4pm-6pm** (or by appointment)
- Feedback: <https://forms.gle/6kcJ2aJtzAzFMhHQ7> (anonymous google form)

# Quick refresher

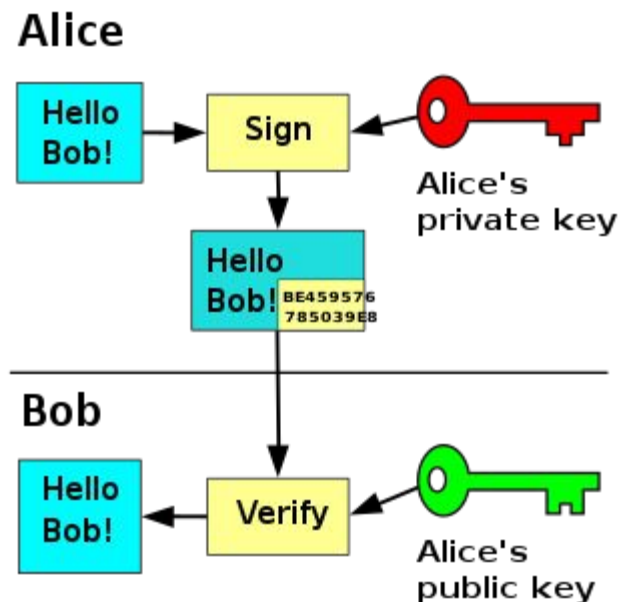
- ❖ Asymmetric encryption:
- ❖ Bob is sending a message to Alice
  - Bob sends ciphertext=Encrypt(plaintext, 1) to Alice
  - Alice finds plaintext=Decrypt(ciphertext, 2) from Bob
- ❖ What's (1) ?
- ❖ What's (2) ?

# Gpg

- ❖ Gnu privacy guard / GnuPG
  - Allows you to encrypt, sign, etc
- ❖ SSH sets up a secure tunnel, so that data can flow from A to B
  - Takes care of encryption
- ❖ GPG gives the user the power to encrypt
- ❖ Check ~/.gnupg, keys are stored here

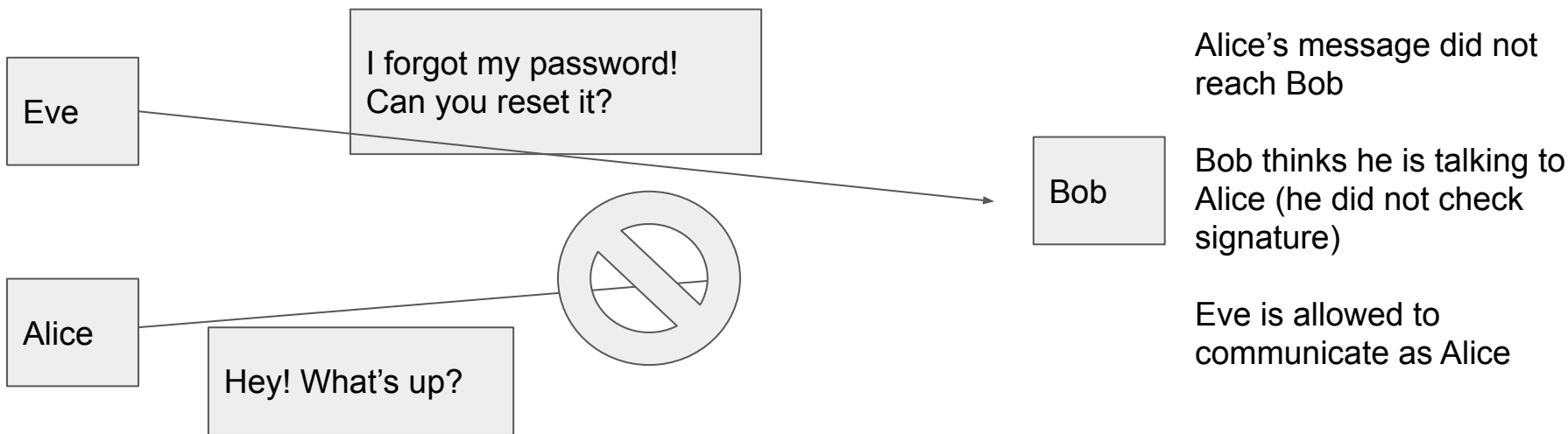
# What are signatures?

- ❖ Why are signatures important in the real world?
- ❖ They work similarly here
  - Check file creator
- ❖ Sign using YOUR private key
- ❖ In this diagram, Alice is sending unencrypted data



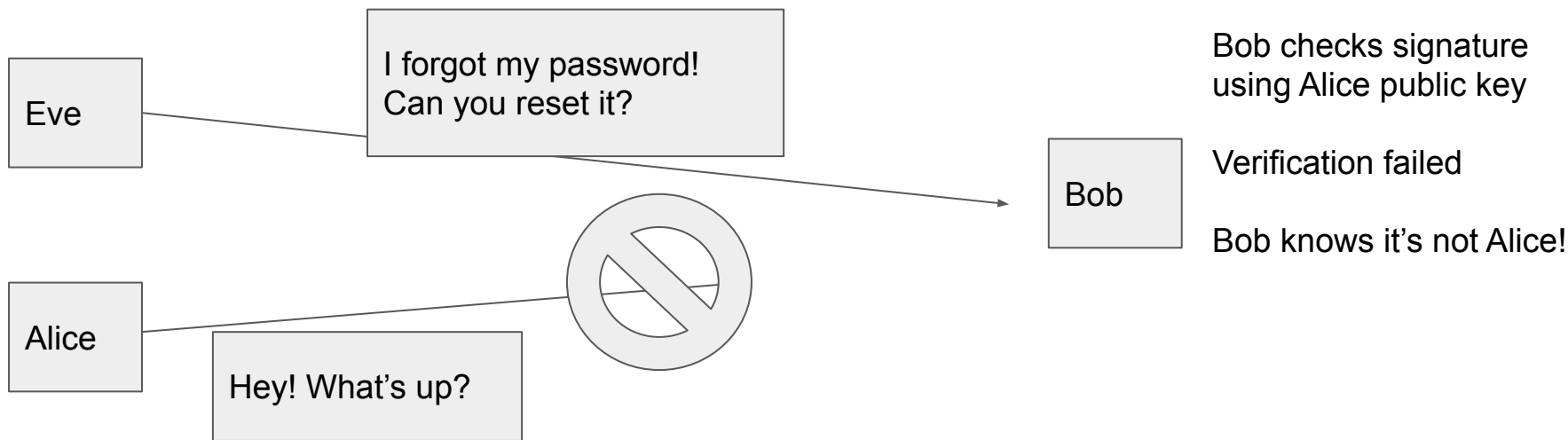
# Why do we sign?

- ❖ Man in the middle attacks
- ❖ We can assume Eve is able to send, intercept, and deny communication



# With signatures

- ❖ Bob can verify that the message is from Alice



# Sign + encrypt

- ❖ Alice signs her message,  $\text{sig} = \text{Sign}(\text{plaintext}, \text{Alice private key})$
- ❖ Alice encrypts,  $\text{ciphertext} = \text{Encrypt}(\text{plaintext} + \text{sig}, \text{Bob public key})$
- ❖ Bob decrypts,  $\text{plaintext} + \text{sig} = \text{Decrypt}(\text{ciphertext}, \text{Bob private key})$
- ❖ Bob verifies,  $\text{Verify}(\text{plaintext}, \text{sig}, \text{Alice public key})$
- ❖ Note: the Verify function is checking “ $\text{plaintext} == \text{Decrypt}(\text{sig}, \text{Alice public key})$ ”



# A slight improvement

- ❖ Alice hashes her message,  $\text{hash} = F(\text{plaintext})$
- ❖ Alice creates  $\text{sig} = \text{Sign}(\text{hash}, \text{Alice private key})$
- ❖ Alice encrypts,  $\text{ciphertext} = \text{Encrypt}(\text{plaintext} + \text{sig}, \text{Bob public key})$
- ❖ Bob decrypts,  $\text{plaintext} + \text{sig} = \text{Decrypt}(\text{ciphertext}, \text{Bob private key})$
- ❖ Bob hashes the message,  $\text{hash} = F(\text{plaintext})$
- ❖ Bob verifies,  $\text{Verify}(\text{hash}, \text{sig}, \text{Alice public key})$
- ❖ Why?
- ❖ Is this procedure secure? What else can go wrong?
  - We can assume Eve is able to send, intercept, and deny communication

# Who's public key?

- ❖ When Bob tries to get Alice's public key, Eve intercepts
- ❖ Eve instead tells Bob her own public key
- ❖ Now Eve pretends to be Alice (she can sign with her own private key!)
- ❖ Bob will think it's Alice
- ❖ So how does Bob check the identity of the public key?
- ❖ “**Certification authority (CA)** is an entity that issues digital certificates. A digital certificate certifies the ownership of a public key by the named subject of the certificate.” - wikipedia
- ❖ We trust the CA!

# Questions?

- ❖ It's a little confusing the first time
- ❖ Try to go over + understand the need for
  - 1. Public key / private key
  - 2. Signatures
  - 3. CA
- ❖ Questions on assignment 2?