lecture 19

Digital Signatures

DS from reversible public-key Encryption.

PkE - reversible: suppose E_e is a public-key Ene scheme with message space "$\mathcal{M}$" & cipher space "C", let $\mathcal{M} = C$.

suppose D_d : d is the private key.

$$D_d(E_e(m)) = E_e(D_d(m)) = m \quad \text{for all } m \in \mathcal{M}$$

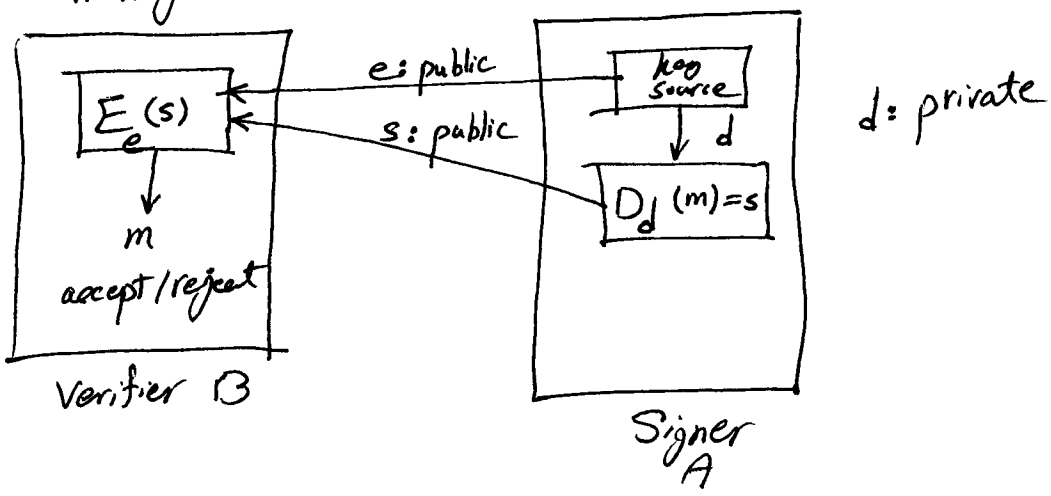
($D_d(m)$: this is not "ciphertext")

★ Construction of a simple digital signature scheme

1. Let $\mathcal{M}$ is message space
2. Let $\mathcal{M} = C$, C is the signature space.
3. let (e, d) be a pair key of scheme
4. signing Function S_A is $D_d \longrightarrow s = D_d(m)$ (s: signature)
5. verification Function V_A :

$$V_A(m, s) = \begin{cases} \text{"true"} & \text{if } E_e(s) = m \in \mathcal{M} \\ \text{"false"} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

($V_A(m, s)$: m = message, s = signature)



requirements:
- It must be easy to compute by signer
- It must be easy to verify by verifier
- Have an appropriate lifespan → be computationally secure from forgery

Resolution of disputes:

For example: "A" could at some point deny having signed a message or other entity "B" could falsely claim that a signature on a message was produced by entity "A".

Basic Definitions

- Digital Signature: it's a data string which associates a message (in digital form) with some originating entity.
- A digital signature generation alg. is a method for producing a digital signature.
- A digital signature verification algo. is a method for verifying that a digital signature is authentic.
- DS scheme → DS gen alg.
  → DS ver alg.

DS schemes →
- DS schems with appendix: require the original message as input to the verification algorithm.
- DS schemes with message recovery: do n't require the original message as input to ver alg.

(original message is recoverd from the signature)

① (message) "$\mathcal{M}$" is the set of elements to which a signer can affix a digital signature.

② (signing space) "$\mathcal{M}_S$" is the set of elements to which the signature transformations are applied.

Note: the signature transformations are not applied directly to "$\mathcal{M}$"

③ (signature space) "S" is the set of elements associate with message in "$\mathcal{M}$".

purpose: to bind the signer to a message.

④ (indexing set) "$\mathcal{R}$" is used to identify specific signing transformations.

Def DS: A digital signature scheme (with either appendix or message recovery) is said to be a randomized DSS if $|\mathcal{R}| > 1$ (more than one signing transformations); otherwise, the DSS is said to be deterministic.

- deterministic → one-time signature scheme
- deterministic → multiple-use scheme

Alg: signature gen & verification:

Summary: "A" produces a signature "s" $\in$ "S" for a message "m" $\in \mathcal{M}$, which can later be verified by "B".

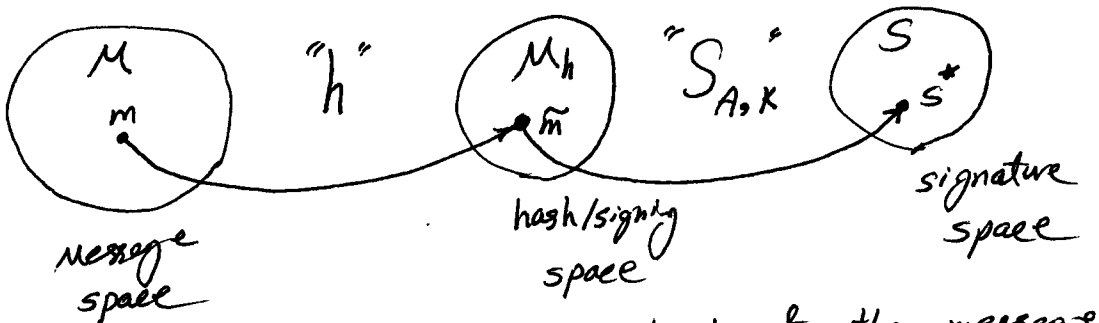
1. Signature generation: "A"

1.1: element $k \in R$ → to select which singing transformation should be used

1.2: Compute $\tilde{m} = h(m)$

$$s^* = S_{A,K}(\tilde{m})$$

1.3: A's signature for "m" is s^*. Both "m" & s^* are made available to "B" for verification.



Note: You must sign the hash of the message NOT the message itself.

Both parties have access to original "message"

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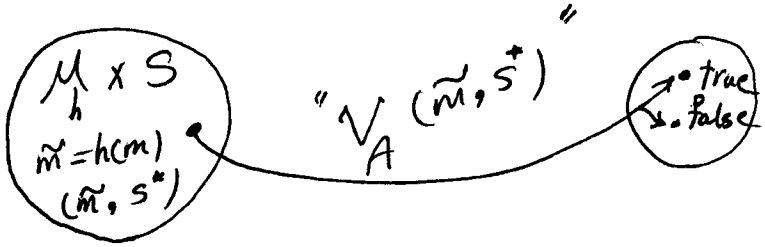
2. verification: "B"

2.1 obtain A's authentic public key (V_A)

2.2 Compute $\tilde{m} = h(m)$ and $u = V_A(\tilde{m}, s^*)$

2.3 Accept the signature if and only if "u" = true



Note: DSS with message recovery we can use RSA, Rabin

Note: S_A: private
V_A: public