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Week 14 Authentication and Network Security

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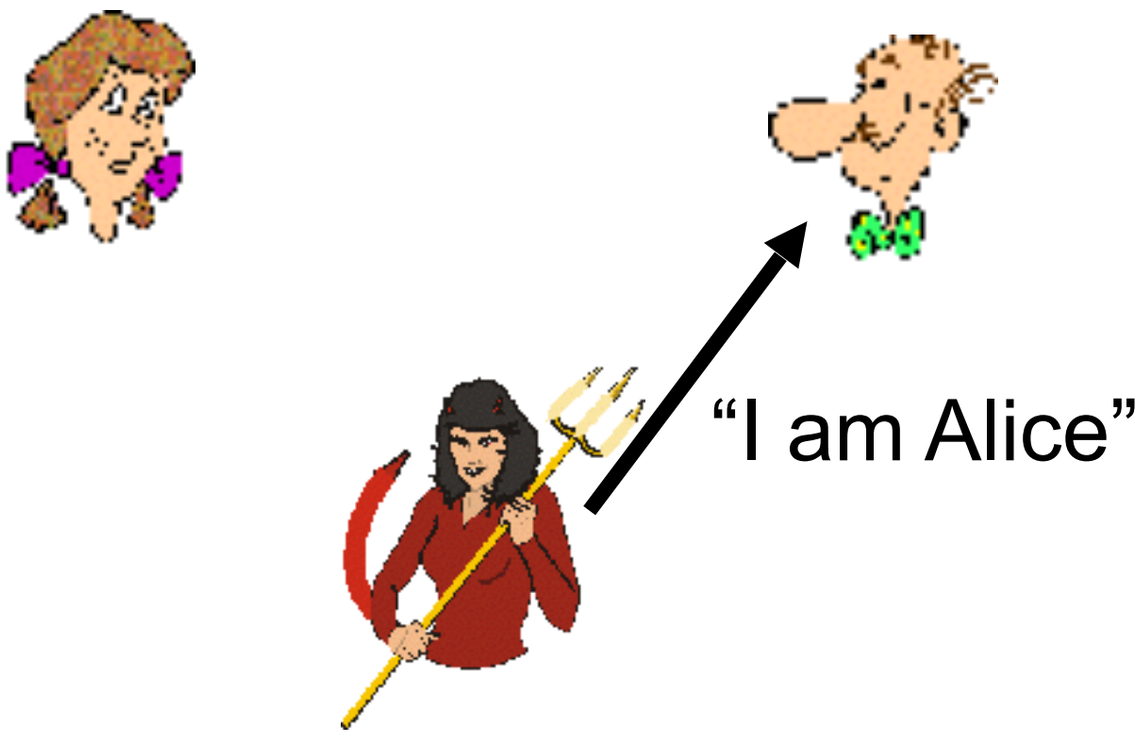

in a network,
Bob can not “see” Alice,
so Trudy simply declares herself to be Alice

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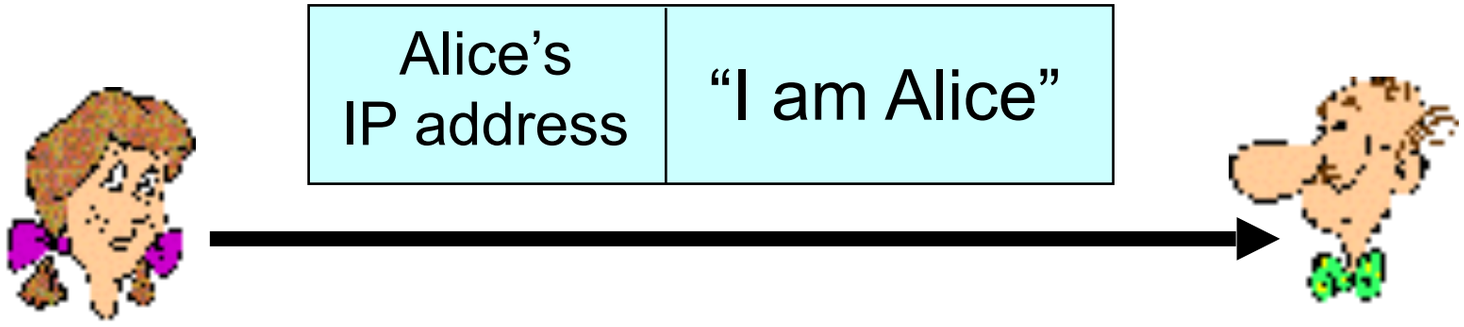

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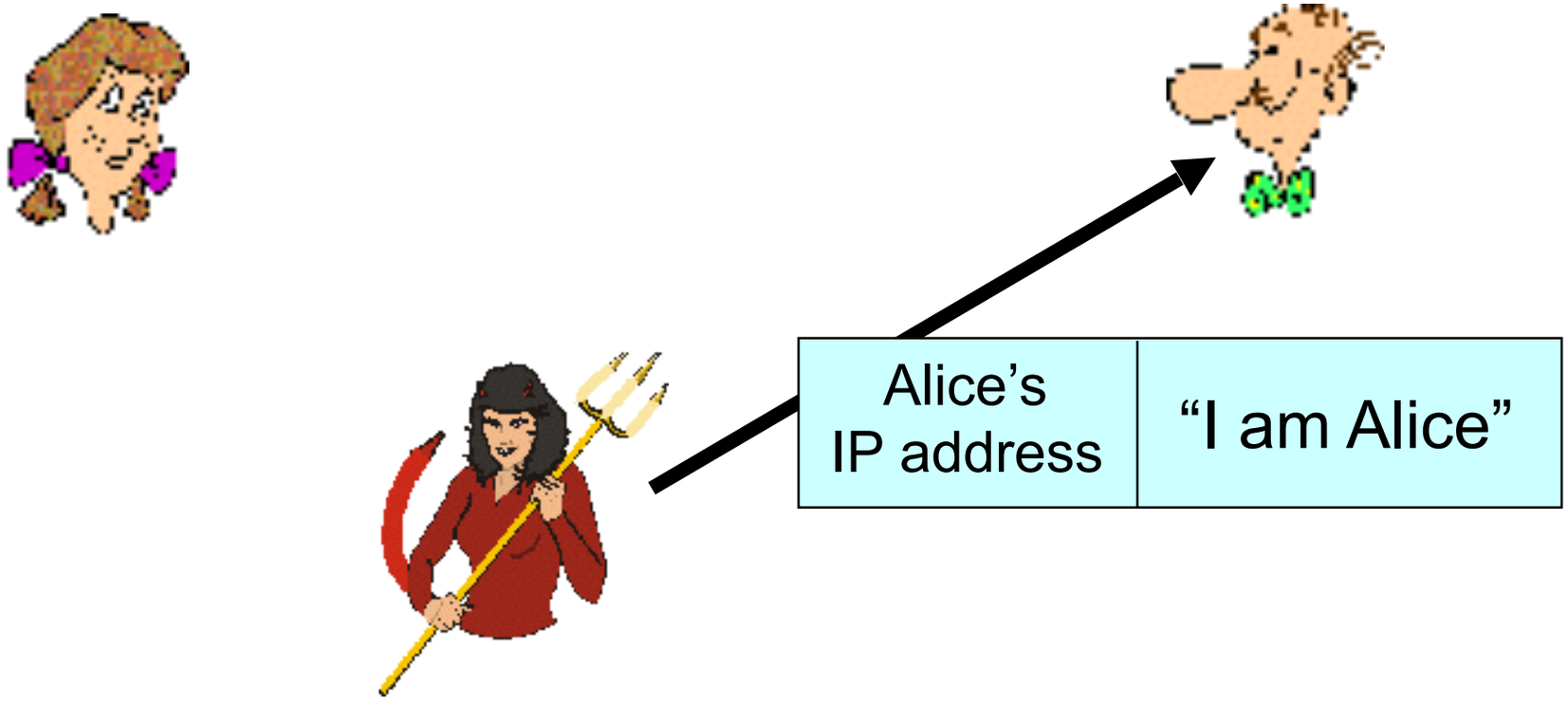

Trudy can create a packet "spoofing" Alice's address

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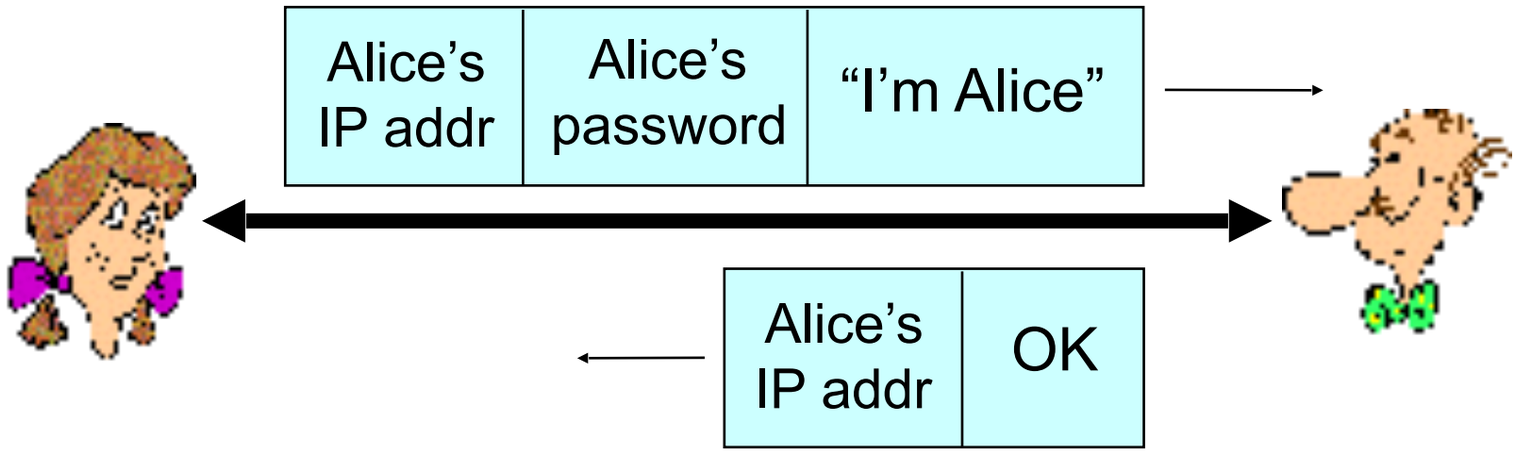

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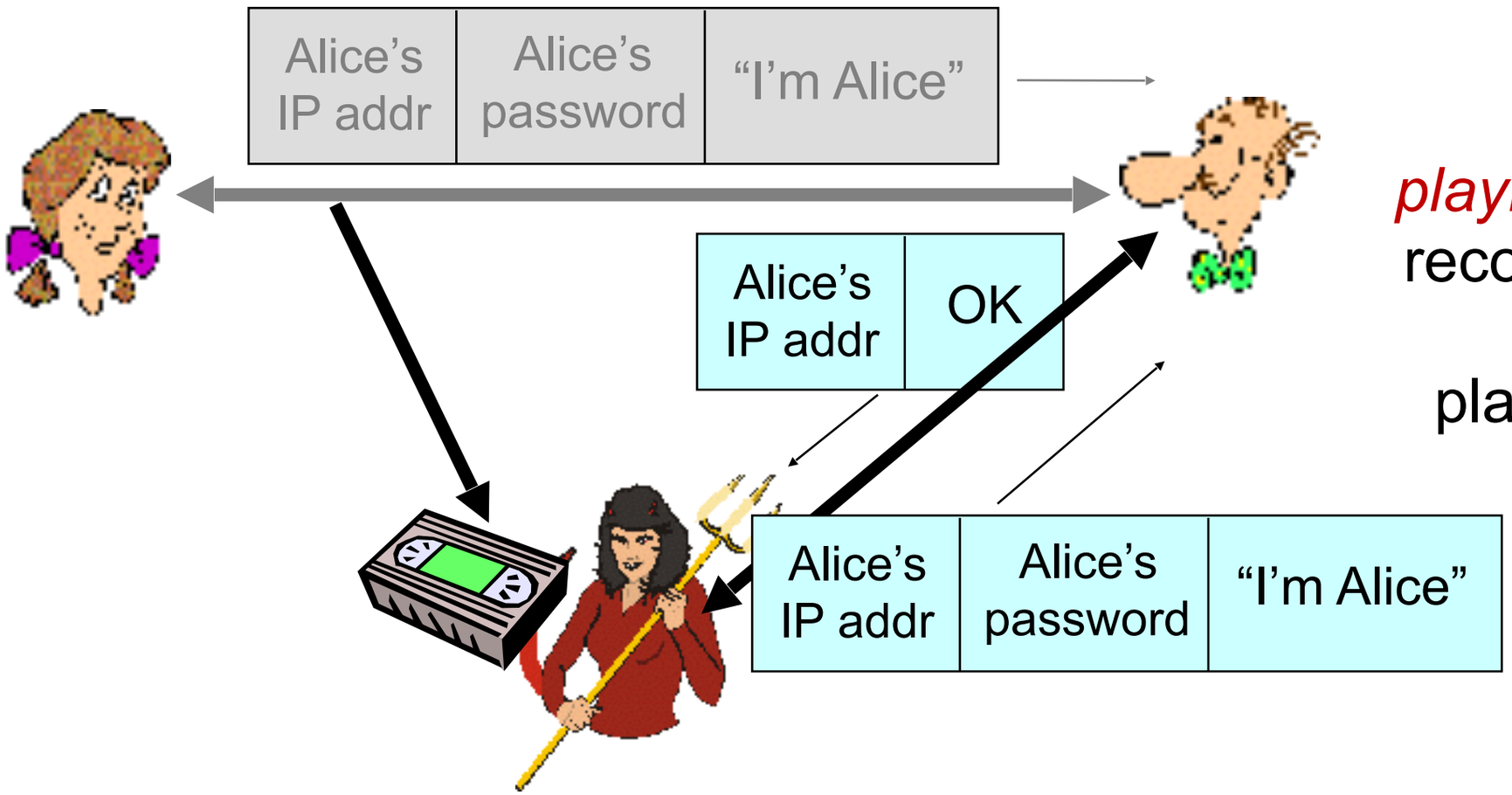

playback attack: Trudy records Alice's packet and later plays it back to Bob

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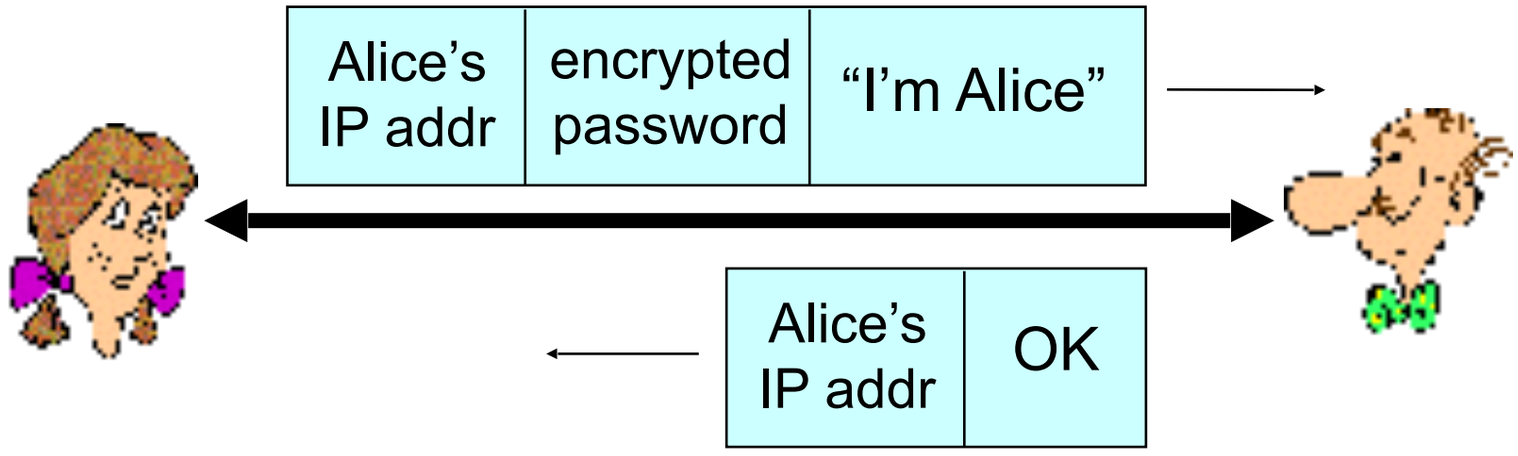

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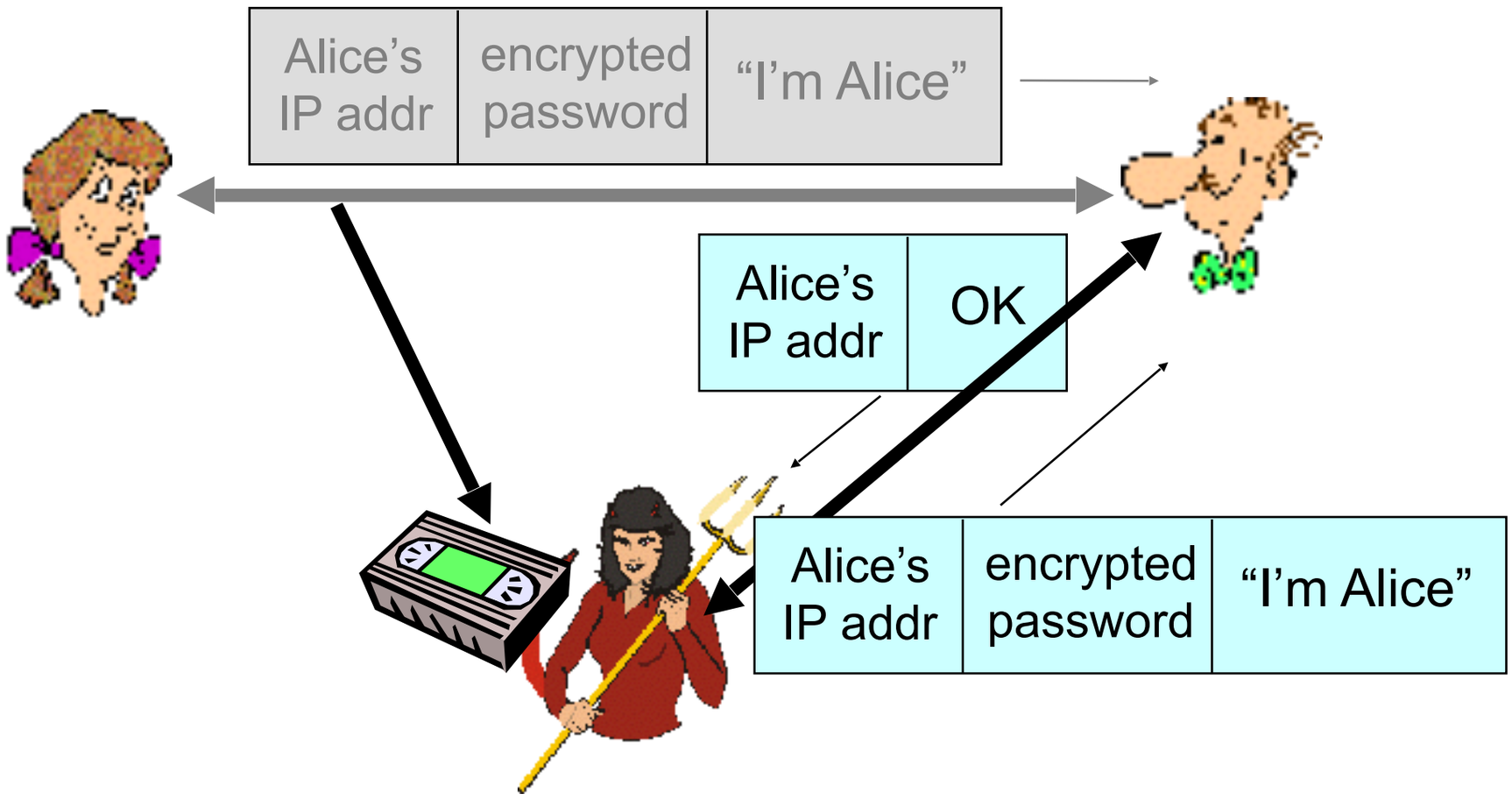


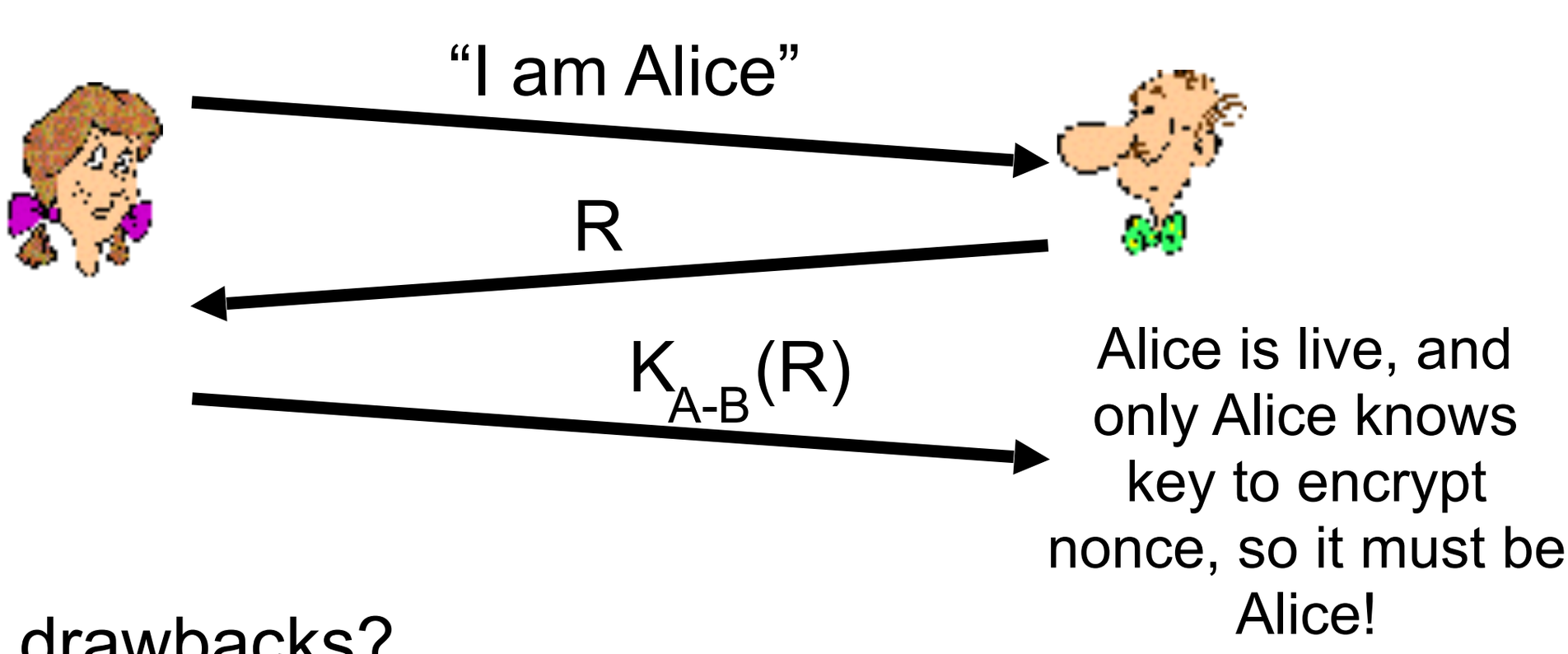
record and playback *still* works!

Authentication: yet another try

Goal: avoid playback attack

nonce: number (R) used only *once-in-a-lifetime*

ap4.0: to prove Alice "live", Bob sends Alice *nonce*, R. Alice must return R, encrypted with shared secret key



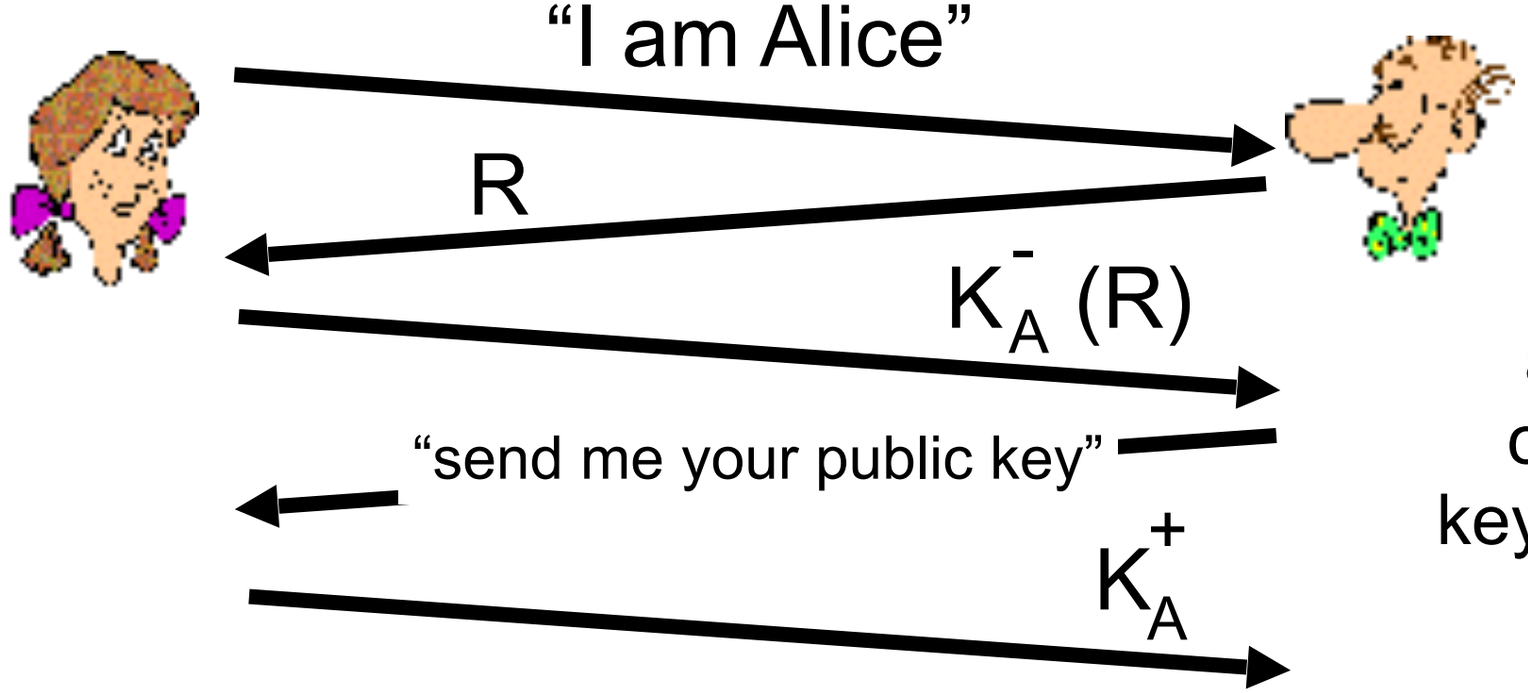
Failures, drawbacks?

Authentication: ap5.0

ap4.0 requires shared symmetric key

- can we authenticate using public key techniques?

ap5.0: use nonce, public key cryptography



Bob computes

$K_A^+(K_A^-(R)) = R$

and knows only Alice could have the private key, that encrypted R such that

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ap5.0: security hole

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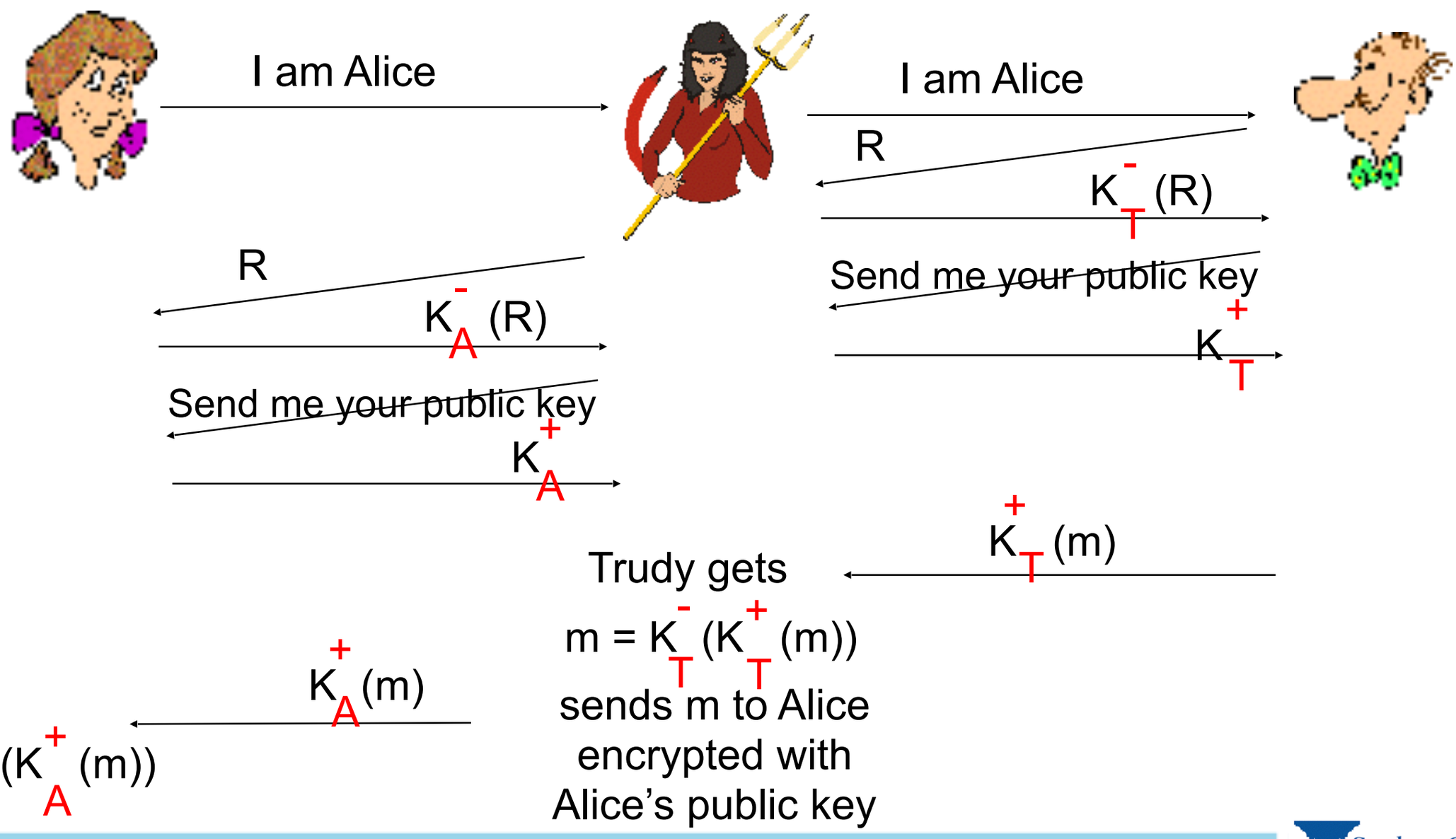

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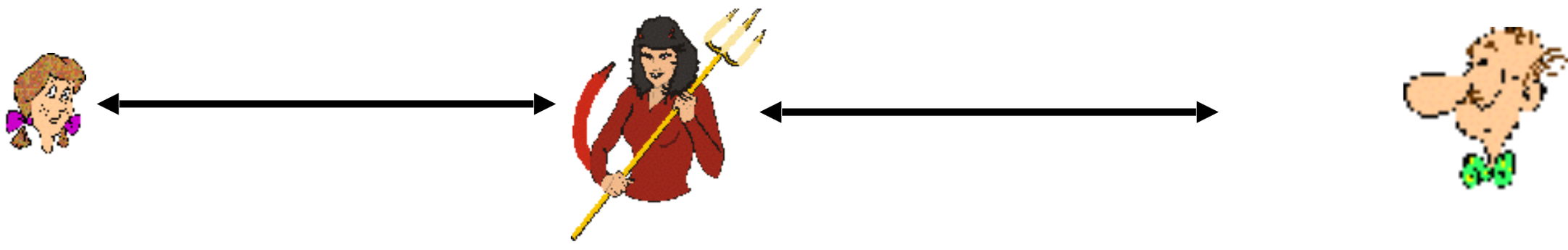


difficult to detect:

- Bob receives everything that Alice sends, and vice versa. (e.g., so Bob, Alice can meet one week later and recall conversation!)
- problem is that Trudy receives all messages as well!

Digital signatures

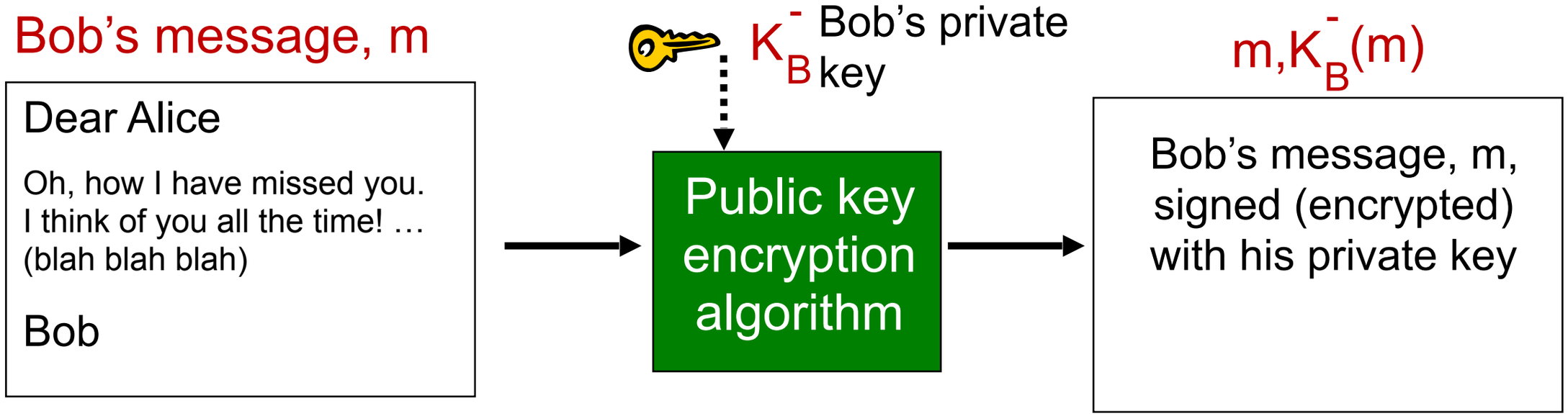
cryptographic technique analogous to hand-written signatures:

- 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

Digital signatures

simple digital signature for message m:

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



Digital signatures

- suppose Alice receives msg m, with signature: m, $K_B^-(m)$
- Alice verifies m signed by Bob by applying Bob's public key K_B^+ to $K_B^-(m)$ then checks $K_B^+(K_B^-(m)) = m$.
- If $K_B^+(K_B^-(m)) = m$, whoever signed m must have used Bob's private key.

Alice thus verifies that:

- Bob signed m
- no one else signed m
- Bob signed m and not m'

non-repudiation:

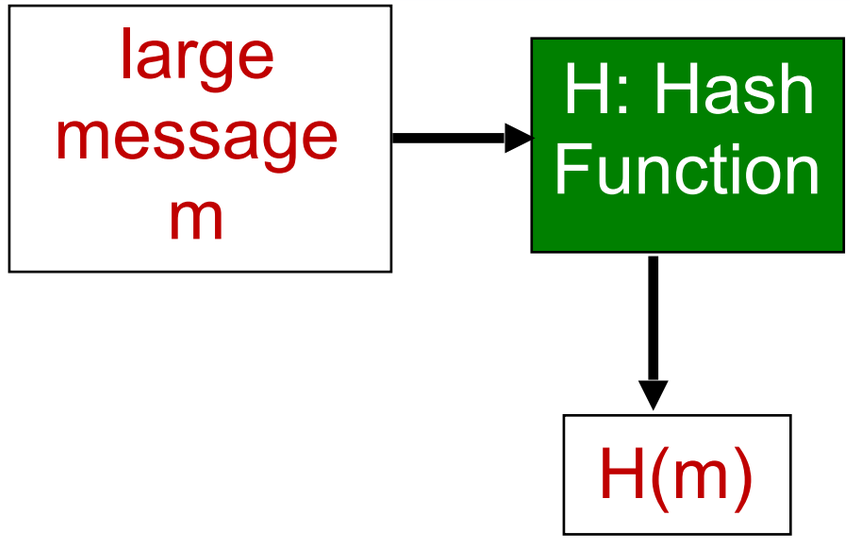
✓ Alice can take m, and signature $K_B(m)$ to court and prove that Bob signed m

Message digests

computationally expensive to public-key-encrypt long messages

goal: fixed-length, easy-to-compute digital "fingerprint"

- apply hash function H to *m*, get fixed size message digest, *H(m).*



Hash function properties:

- many-to-1
- produces fixed-size msg digest (fingerprint)
- given message digest x, computationally infeasible to find m such that x = H(m)

Internet checksum: poor crypto hash function

Internet checksum has some properties of hash function:

- produces fixed length digest (16-bit sum) of message
- is many-to-one

But given message with given hash value, it is easy to find another message with same hash value:

message	ASCII format
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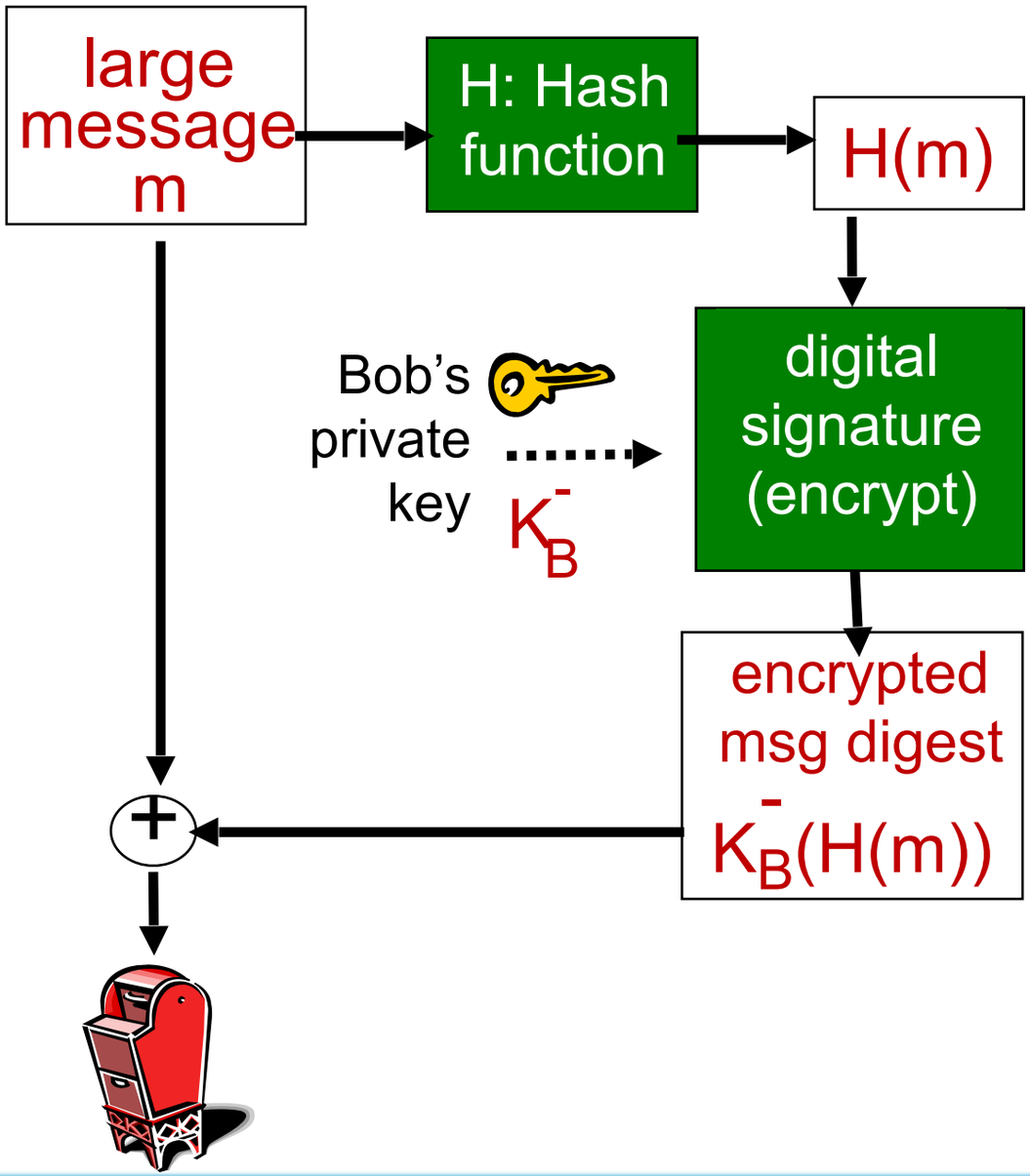
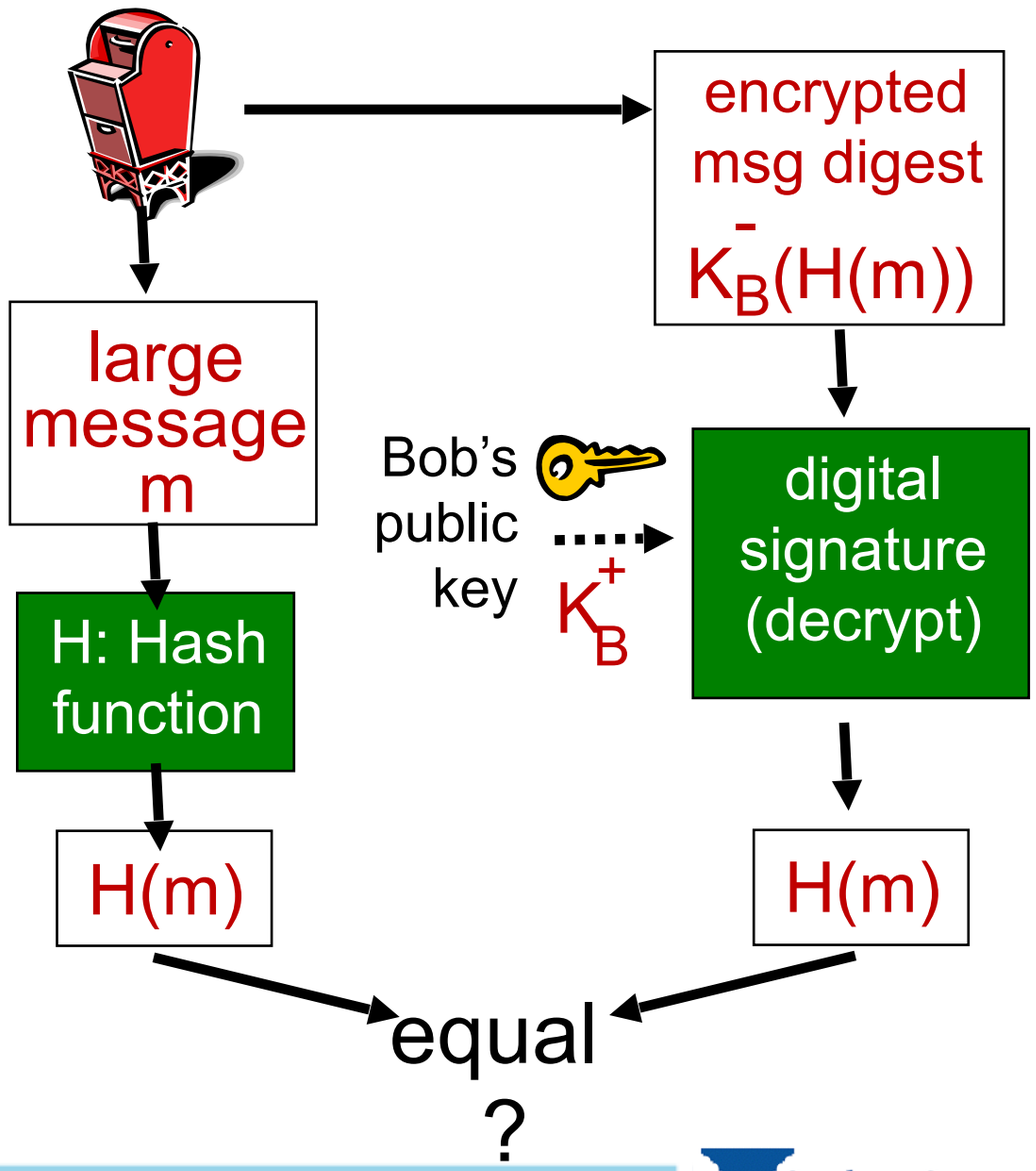
different messages but identical checksums!

Digital signature = signed message digest

Bob sends digitally signed message:



Alice verifies signature, integrity of digitally signed message:



Message Authentication Code (MAC)

- Also known as a keyed hash function
- Typically used between two parties that share a secret key to authenticate information exchanged between those parties

Takes as input a secret key and a data block and produces a hash value (MAC) which is associated with the protected message

- If the integrity of the message needs to be checked, the MAC function can be applied to the message and the result compared with the associated MAC value
- An attacker who alters the message will be unable to alter the associated MAC value without knowledge of the secret key

Hash function algorithms

- MD5 hash function widely used (RFC 1321)
  - computes 128-bit message digest in 4-step process.
  - arbitrary 128-bit string x, appears difficult to construct msg m whose MD5 hash is equal to x
- SHA-1 is also used
  - US standard [NIST, FIPS PUB 180-1]
  - 160-bit message digest

Recall: ap5.0 security hole

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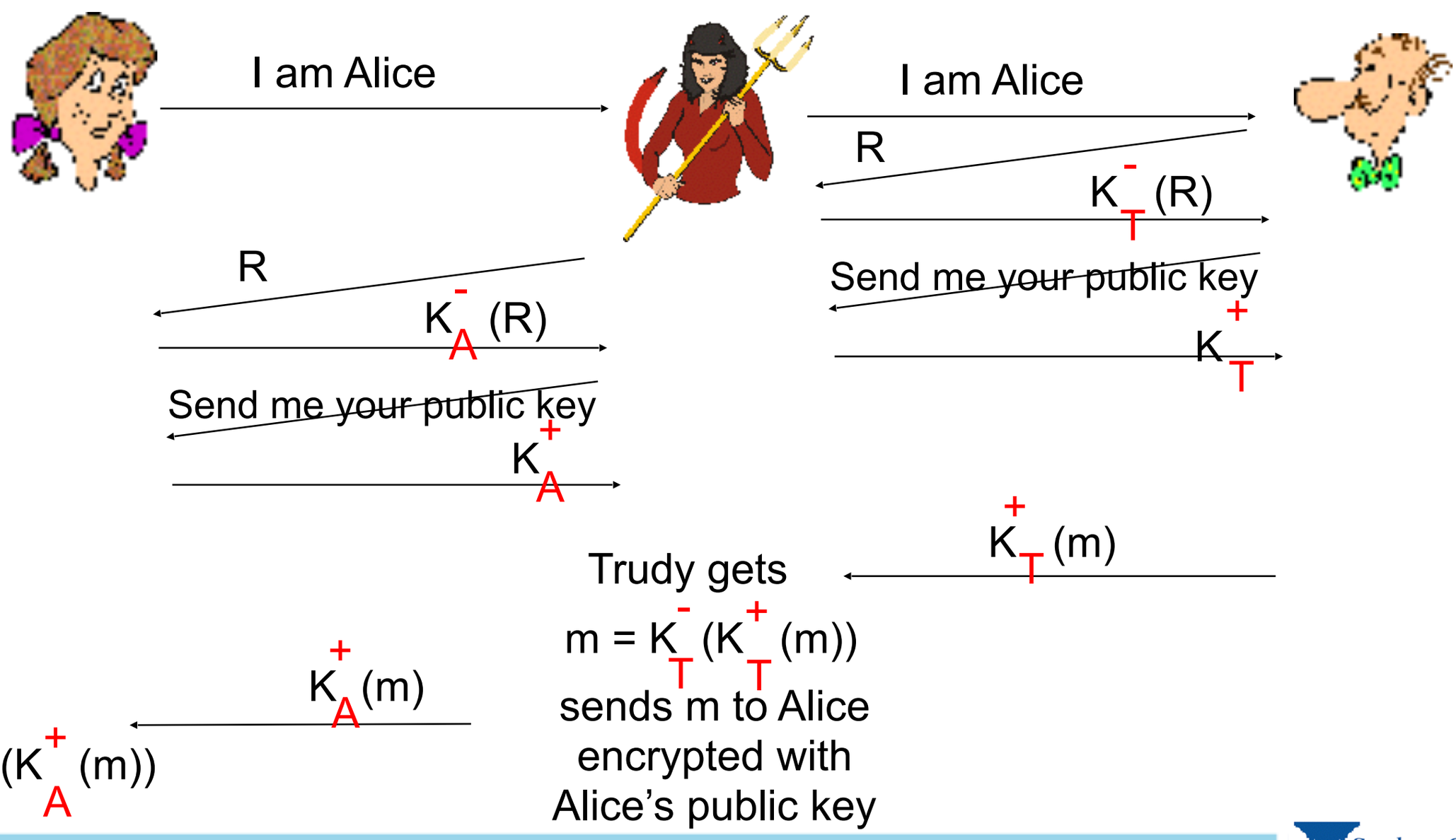
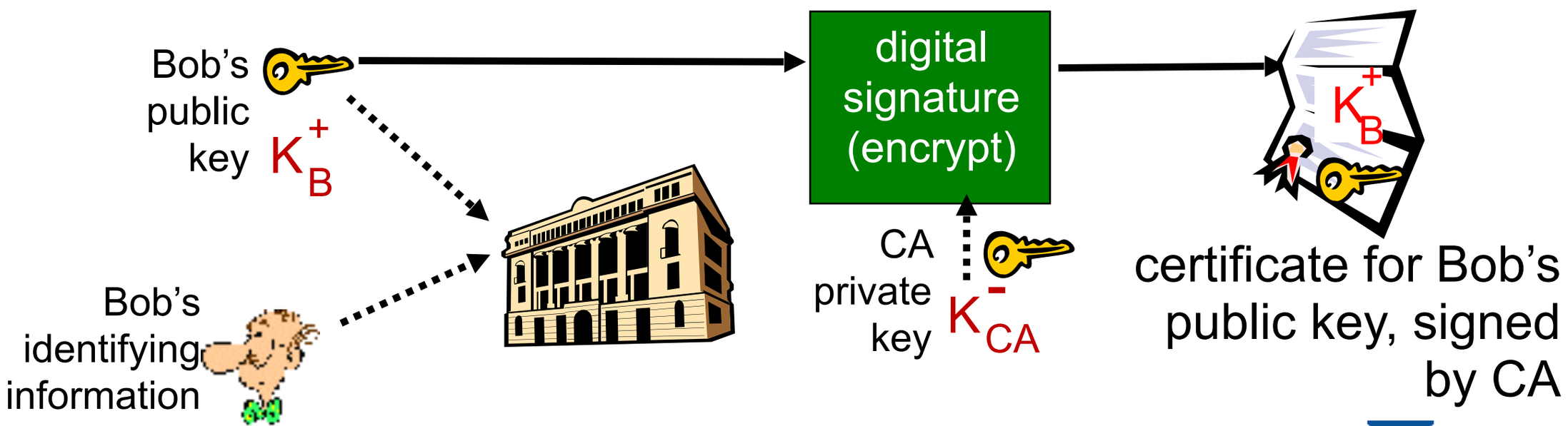


Public-key certification

- motivation: Trudy plays pizza prank on Bob
  - Trudy creates e-mail order:
    Dear Pizza Store, Please deliver to me four pepperoni pizzas. Thank you, Bob
  - Trudy signs order with her private key
  - Trudy sends order to Pizza Store
  - Trudy sends to Pizza Store her public key, but says it's Bob's public key
  - Pizza Store verifies signature; then delivers four pepperoni pizzas to Bob
  - Bob doesn't even like pepperoni

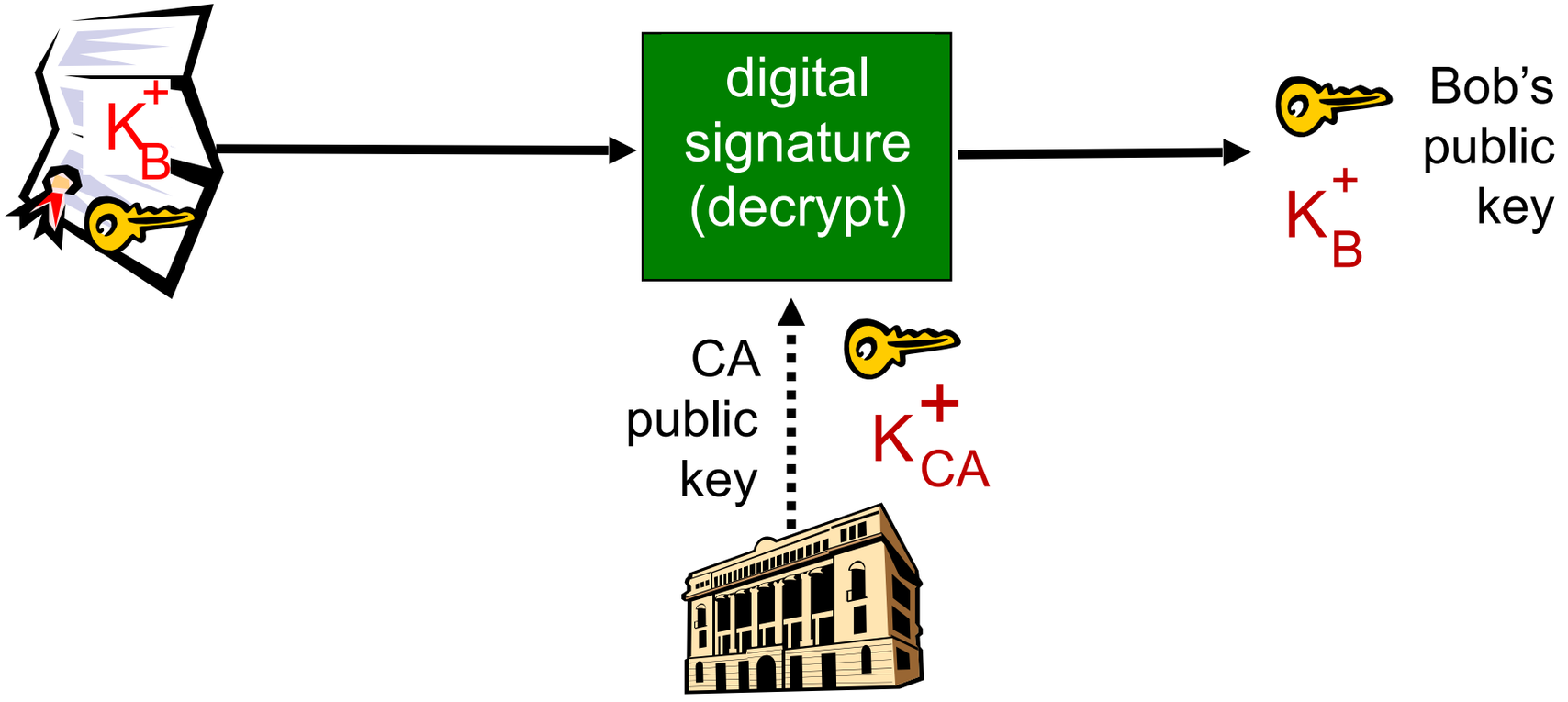
Certification authorities

- *certification authority (CA):* binds public key to particular entity, E.
- E (person, router) registers its public key with CA.
  - E provides "proof of identity" to CA.
  - CA creates certificate binding E to its public key.
  - certificate containing E's public key digitally signed by CA – CA says "this is E's public key"



Certification authorities

- when Alice wants Bob's public key:
  - gets Bob's certificate (Bob or elsewhere).
  - apply CA's public key to Bob's certificate, get Bob's public key



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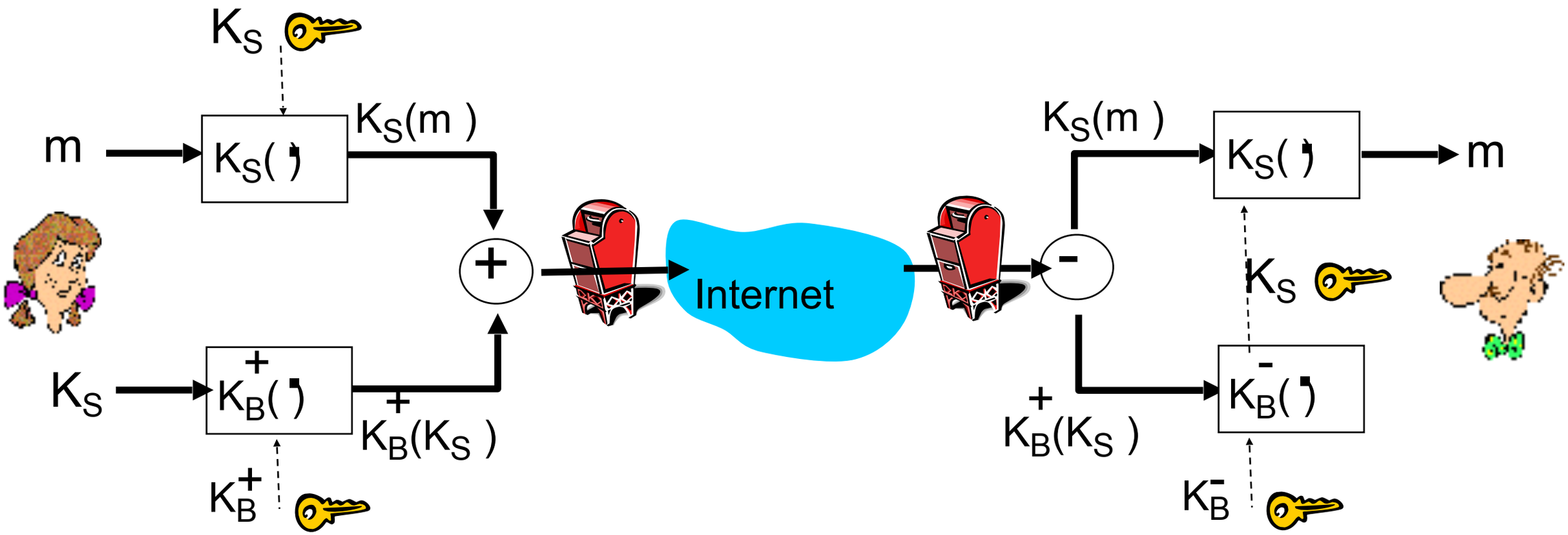

Alice:

- generates random *symmetric* private key, K_S
- encrypts message with K_S (for efficiency)
- also encrypts K_S with Bob's public key
- sends both $K_S(m)$ and $K_B(K_S)$ to Bob

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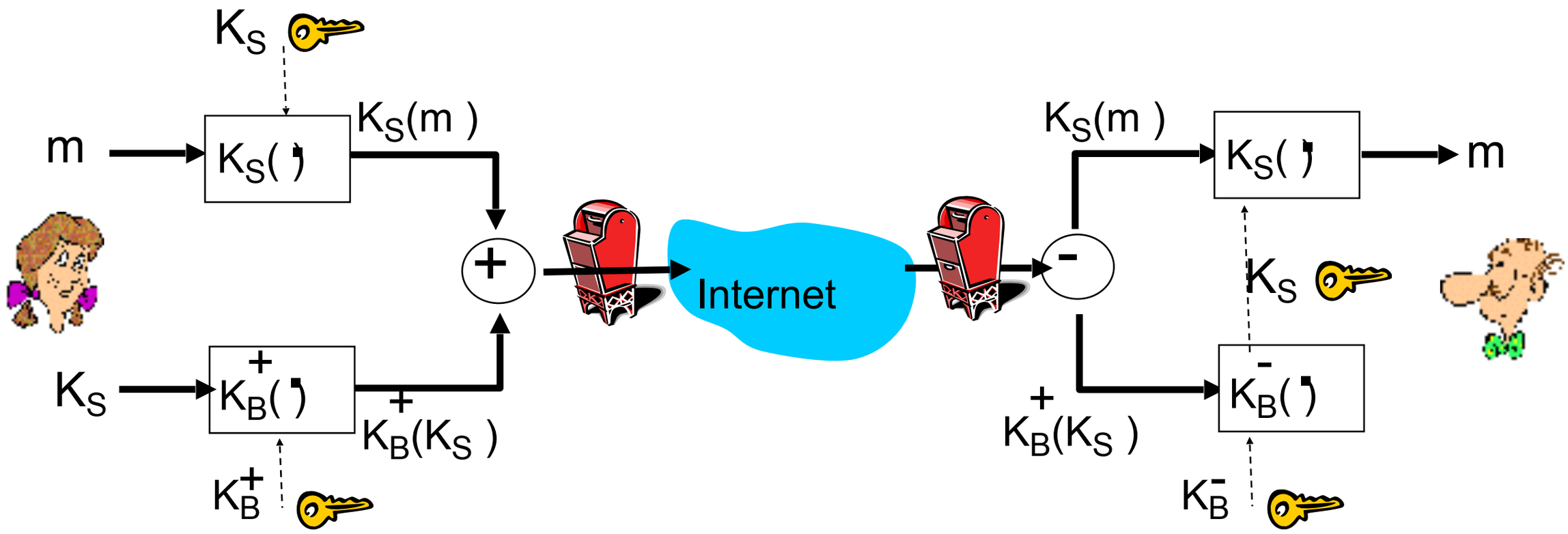
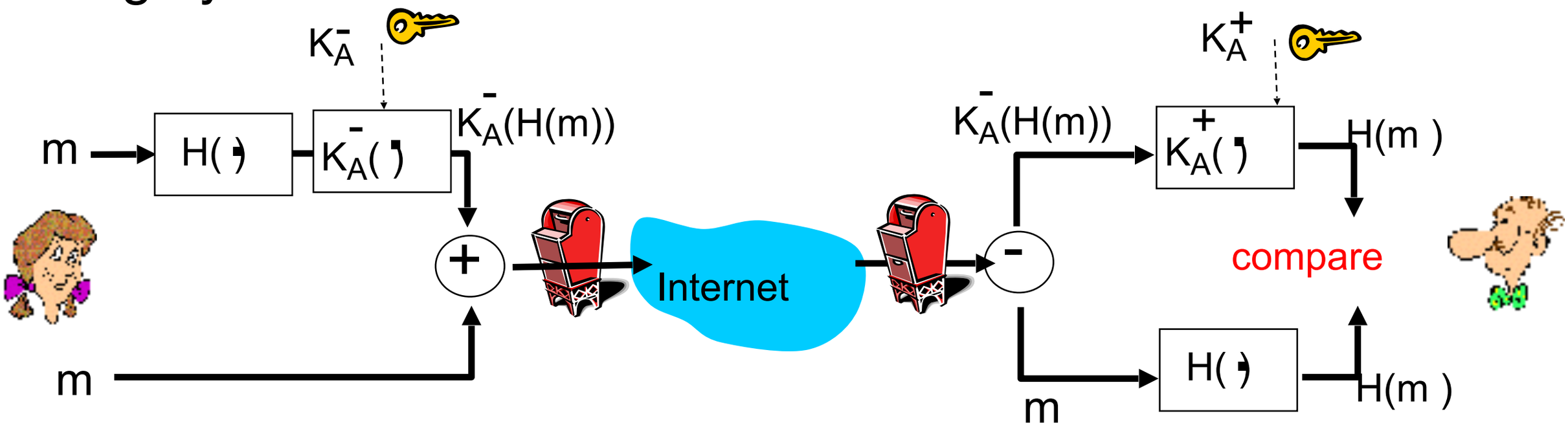


Bob:

- uses his private key to decrypt and recover K_S
- uses K_S to decrypt $K_S(m)$ to recover m

Secure e-mail (continued)

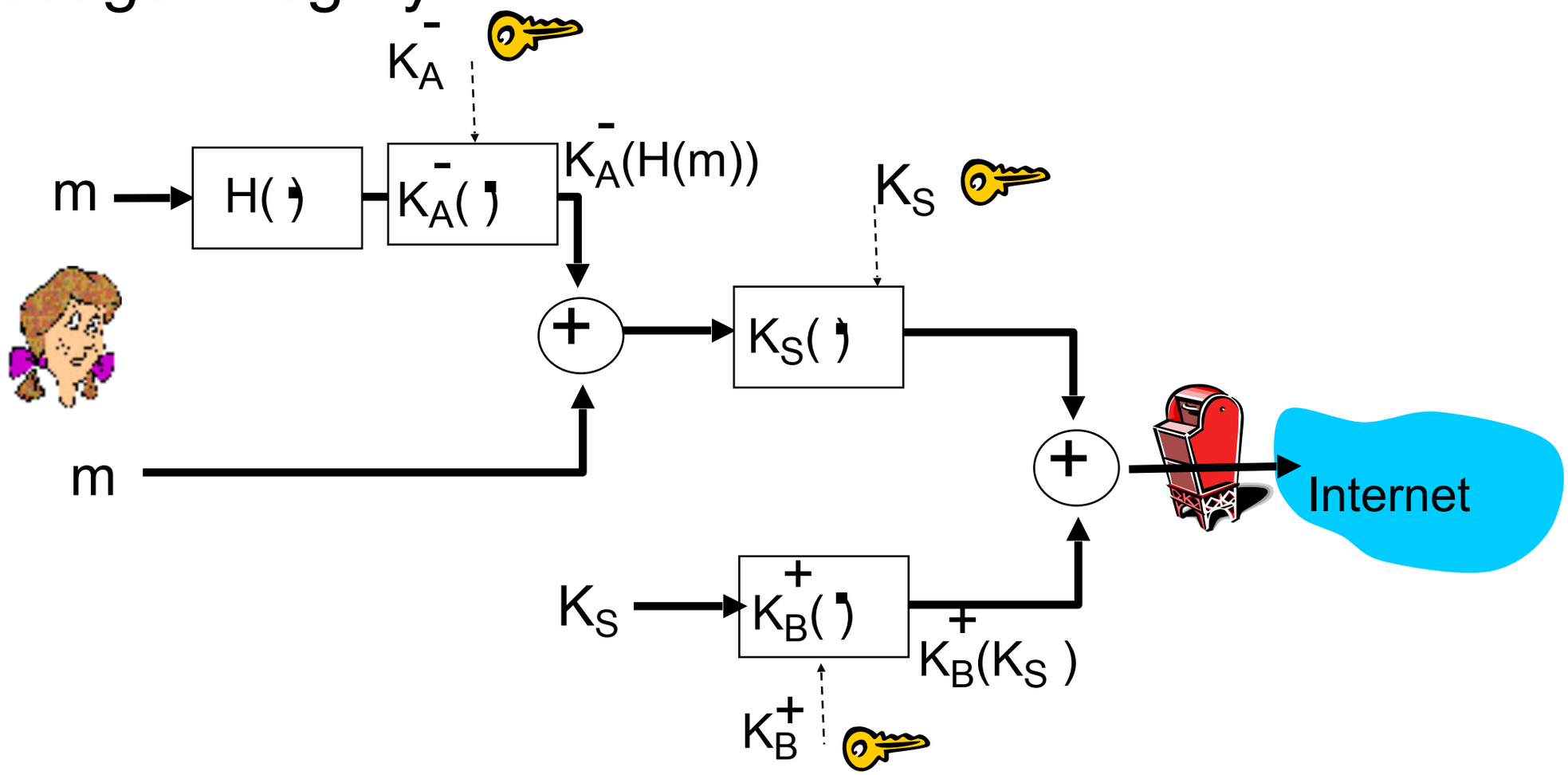
Alice wants to provide sender authentication message integrity



- Alice digitally signs message
- sends both message (in the clear) and digital signature

Secure e-mail (continued)

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



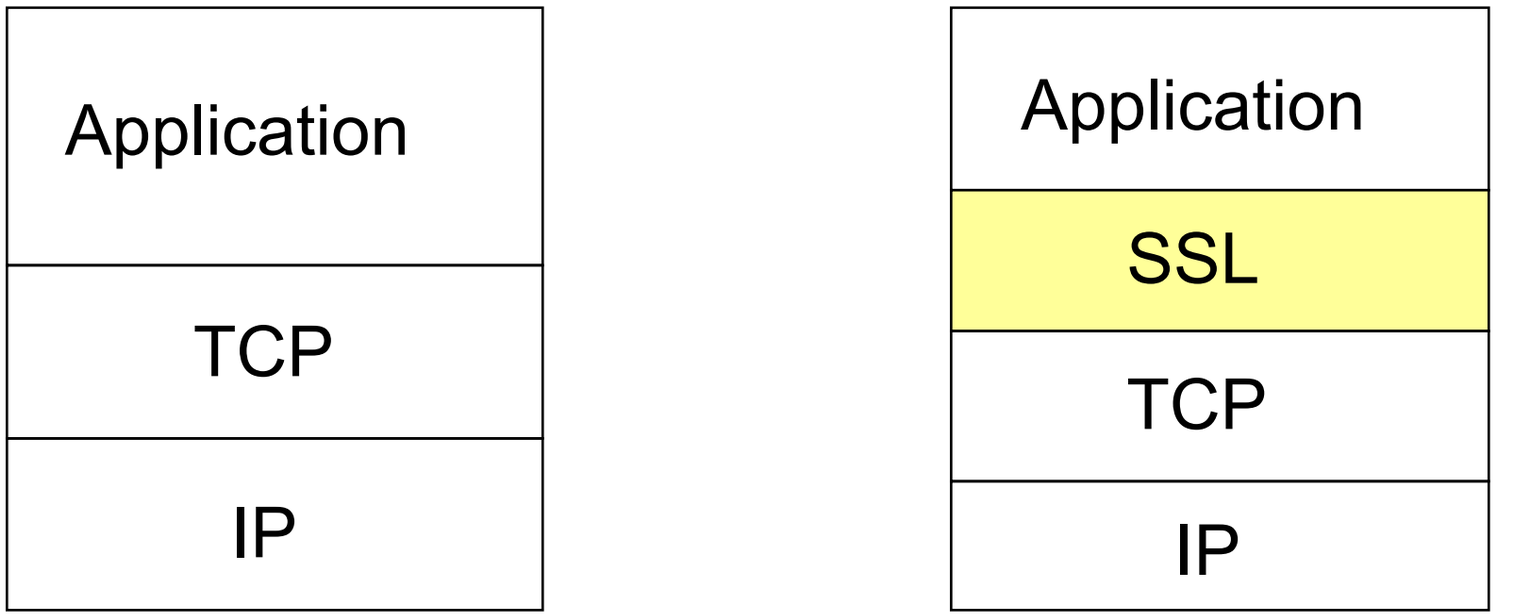
Alice uses three keys: her private key, Bob's public key, newly created symmetric key

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

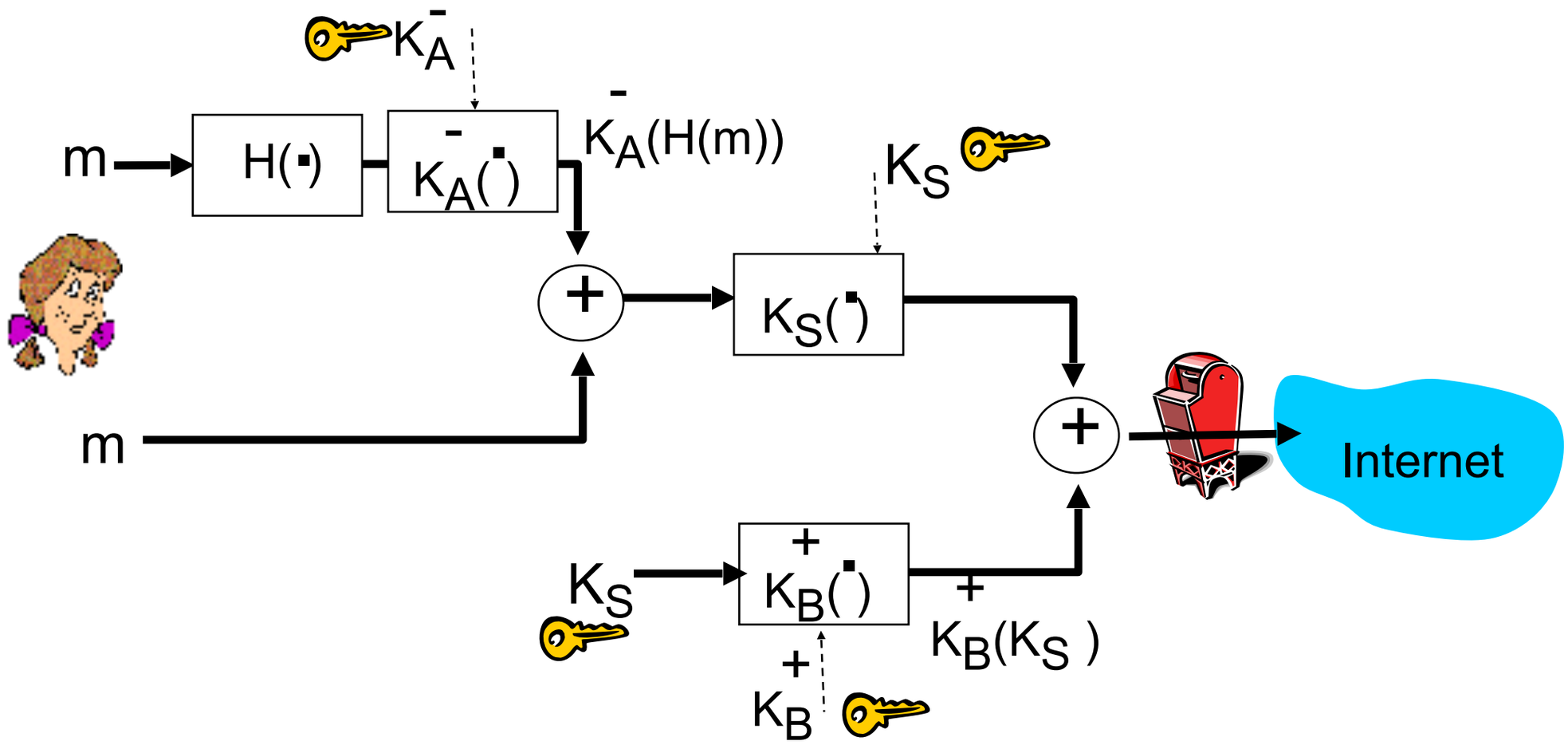
SSL and TCP/IP



normal application *application with SSL*

- SSL provides application programming interface (API) to applications
- C and Java SSL libraries/classes readily available

Could do something like PGP:



- but want to send byte streams & interactive data
- want set of secret keys for entire connection
- want certificate exchange as part of protocol: handshake phase

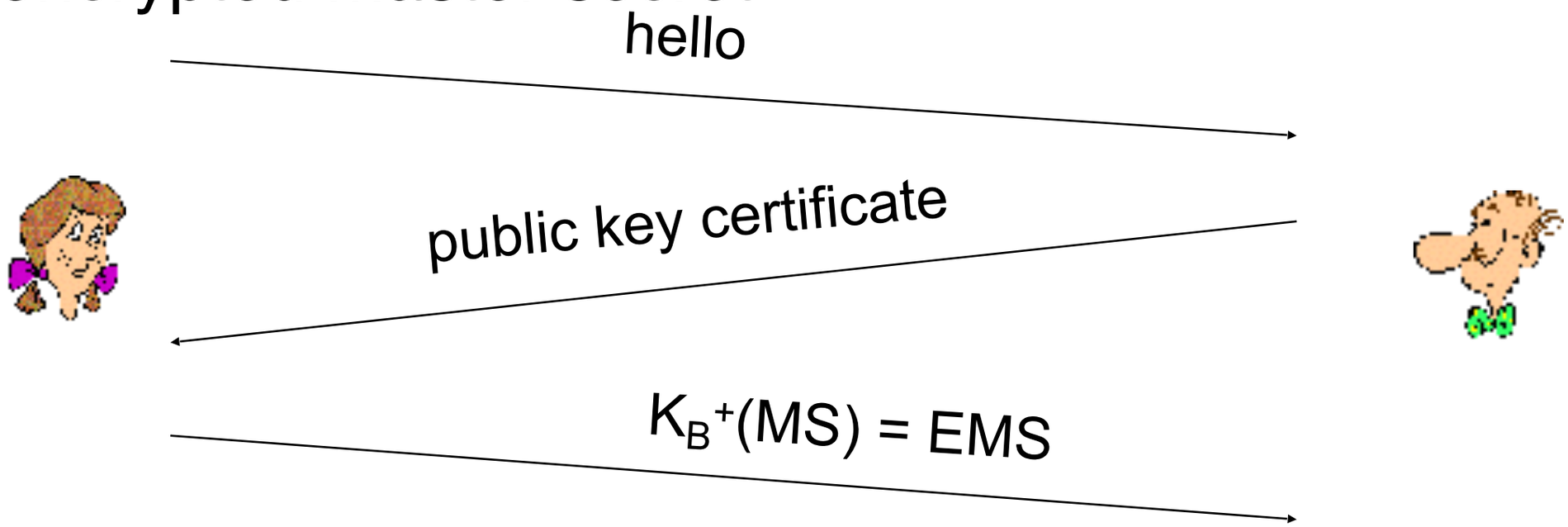
Toy SSL: a simple secure channel

- *handshake:* Alice and Bob use their certificates, private keys to authenticate each other and exchange shared secret
- *key derivation:* Alice and Bob use shared secret to derive set of keys
- *data transfer:* data to be transferred is broken up into series of records
- *connection closure:* special messages to securely close connection

Toy: a simple handshake

MS: master secret

EMS: encrypted master secret



Toy: key derivation

- considered bad to use same key for more than one cryptographic operation
  - use different keys for message authentication code (MAC) and encryption
- four keys:
  - K_c = encryption key for data sent from client to server
  - M_c = MAC key for data sent from client to server
  - K_s = encryption key for data sent from server to client
  - M_s = MAC key for data sent from server to client
- keys derived from key derivation function (KDF)
  - takes master secret and (possibly) some additional random data and creates the keys

Toy: data records

- why not encrypt data in constant stream as we write it to TCP?
  - where would we put the MAC? If at end, no message integrity until all data processed.
  - e.g., with instant messaging, how can we do integrity check over all bytes sent before displaying?
- instead, break stream in series of records
  - each record carries a MAC
  - receiver can act on each record as it arrives
- issue: in record, receiver needs to distinguish MAC from data
  - want to use variable-length records

Toy: sequence numbers

- *problem:* attacker can capture and replay record or re-order records
- *solution:* put sequence number into MAC:
  - MAC = MAC(M_x, sequence||data)
  - note: no sequence number field

- *problem:* attacker could replay all records
- *solution:* use nonce

Toy: control information

- *problem:* truncation attack:
  - attacker forges TCP connection close segment
  - one or both sides thinks there is less data than there actually is.
- *solution:* record types, with one type for closure
  - type 0 for data; type 1 for closure

- MAC = MAC(M_x, sequence||type||data)

Toy SSL: summary

hello

certificate, nonce

$K_B^+(MS) = EMS$

type 0, seq 1, data

type 0, seq 2, data

type 0, seq 1, data

type 0, seq 3, data

type 1, seq 4, close

type 1, seq 2, close

encrypted

bob.com

Toy SSL isn't complete

- how long are fields?
- which encryption protocols?
- want negotiation?
  - allow client and server to support different encryption algorithms
  - allow client and server to choose together specific algorithm before data transfer

SSL cipher suite

- cipher suite
  - public-key algorithm
  - symmetric encryption algorithm
  - MAC algorithm
- SSL supports several cipher suites
- negotiation: client, server agree on cipher suite
  - client offers choice
  - server picks one

common SSL symmetric ciphers

- DES – Data Encryption Standard: block
- 3DES – Triple strength: block
- RC2 – Rivest Cipher 2: block
- RC4 – Rivest Cipher 4: stream

SSL Public key encryption

- RSA

Real SSL: handshake (1)

Purpose

1. server authentication
2. negotiation: agree on crypto algorithms
3. establish keys
4. client authentication (optional)

Real SSL: handshake (2)

1. client sends list of algorithms it supports, along with client nonce
2. server chooses algorithms from list; sends back: choice + certificate + server nonce
3. client verifies certificate, extracts server's public key, generates pre_master_secret, encrypts with server's public key, sends to server
4. client and server independently compute encryption and MAC keys from pre_master_secret and nonces
5. client sends a MAC of all the handshake messages
6. server sends a MAC of all the handshake messages

Real SSL: handshaking (3)

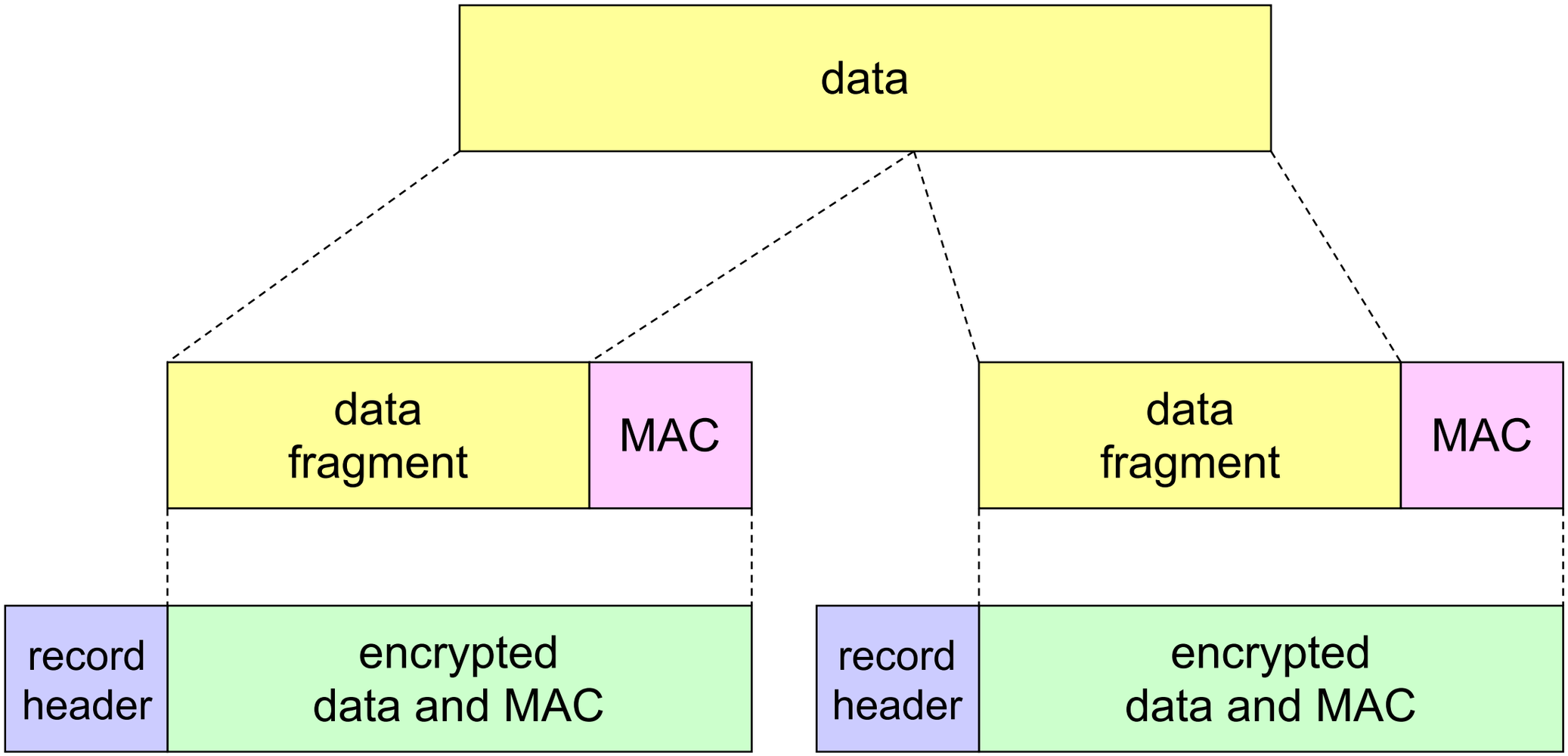
last 2 steps protect handshake from tampering

- client typically offers range of algorithms, some strong, some weak
- man-in-the middle could delete stronger algorithms from list
- last 2 steps prevent this
  - last two messages are encrypted

Real SSL: handshaking (4)

- why two random nonces?
- suppose Trudy sniffs all messages between Alice & Bob
- next day, Trudy sets up TCP connection with Bob, sends exact same sequence of records
  - Bob (Amazon) thinks Alice made two separate orders for the same thing
  - solution: Bob sends different random nonce for each connection. This causes encryption keys to be different on the two days
  - Trudy's messages will fail Bob's integrity check

SSL record protocol

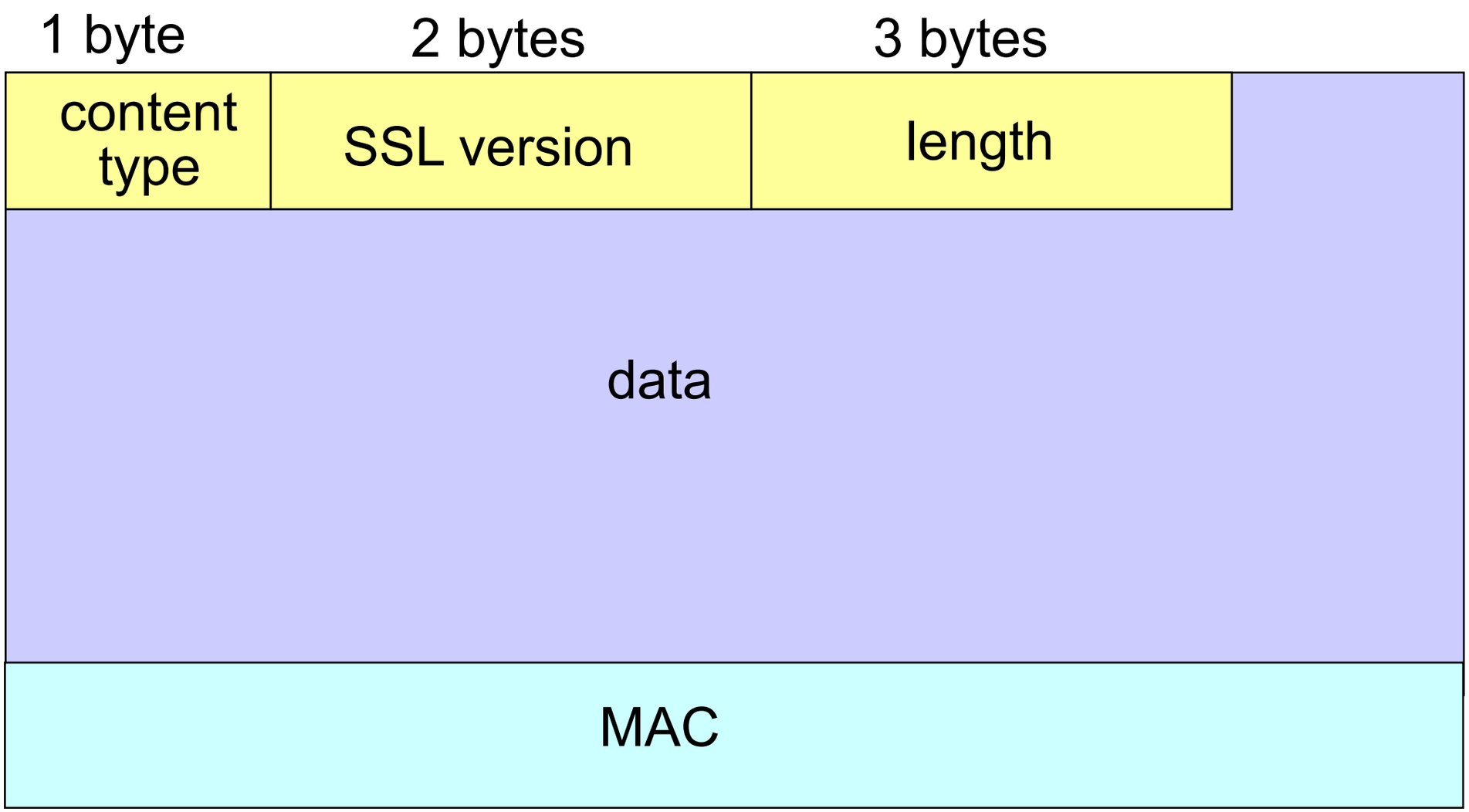


record header: content type; version; length

MAC: includes sequence number, MAC key M_x

fragment: each SSL fragment 2^{14} bytes (~16 Kbytes)

SSL record format



data and MAC encrypted (symmetric algorithm)

Real SSL connection

handshake: ClientHello

handshake: ServerHello

handshake: Certificate

handshake: ServerHelloDone

handshake: ClientKeyExchange

ChangeCipherSpec

handshake: Finished

everything henceforth is encrypted

ChangeCipherSpec

handshake: Finished

application_data

application_data

Alert: warning, close_notify

TCP FIN follows

Key derivation

- client nonce, server nonce, and pre-master secret input into pseudo random-number generator.
  - produces master secret
- master secret and new nonces input into another random-number generator: “key block”
  - because of resumption: TBD
- key block sliced and diced:
  - client MAC key
  - server MAC key
  - client encryption key
  - server encryption key
  - client initialization vector (IV)
  - server initialization vector (IV)

What is network-layer confidentiality ?

between two network entities:

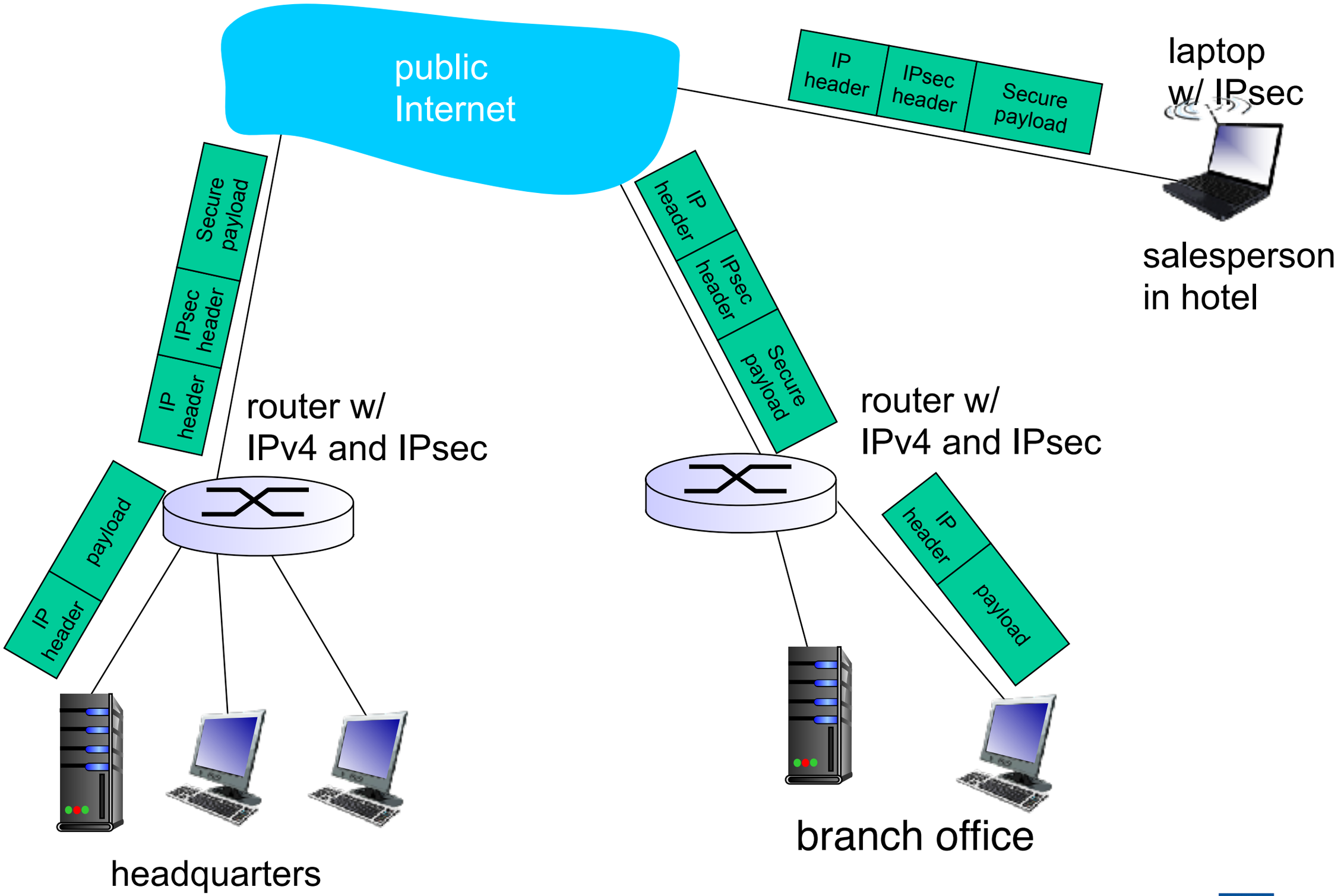
- sending entity encrypts datagram payload, payload could be:
  - TCP or UDP segment, ICMP message, OSPF message ….
- all data sent from one entity to other would be hidden:
  - web pages, e-mail, P2P file transfers, TCP SYN packets …
- "blanket coverage"

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)

motivation:

- institutions often want private networks for security.
  - costly: separate routers, links, DNS infrastructure.
- VPN: institution's inter-office traffic is sent over public Internet instead
  - encrypted before entering public Internet
  - logically separate from other traffic

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)



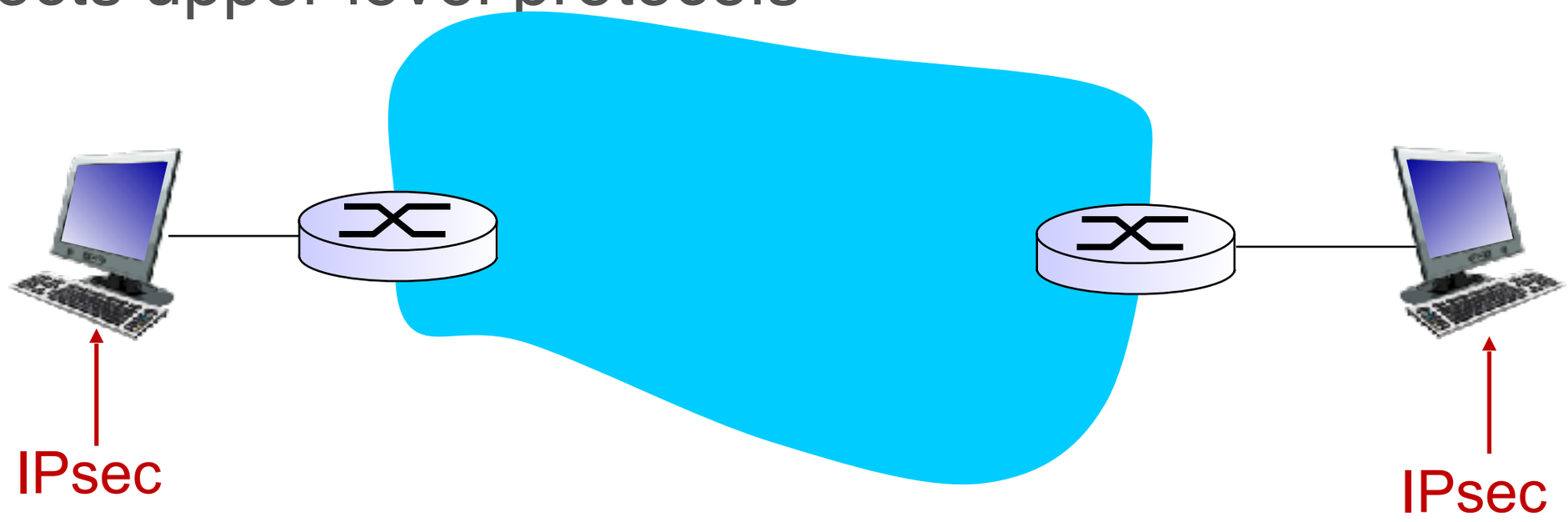
IPsec services

- data integrity
- origin authentication
- replay attack prevention
- confidentiality

- two protocols providing different service models:
  - AH
  - ESP

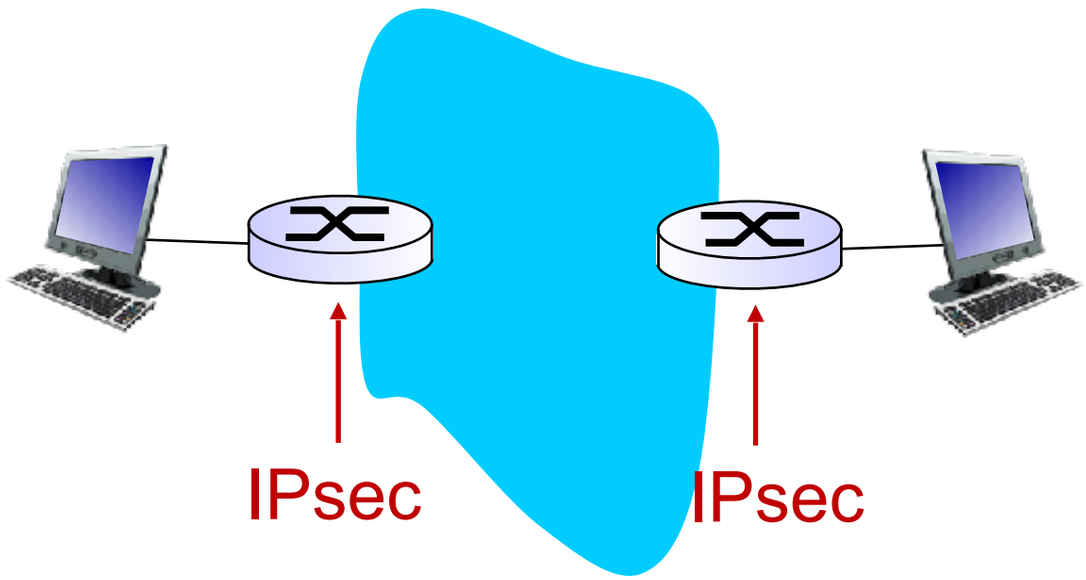
IPsec transport mode

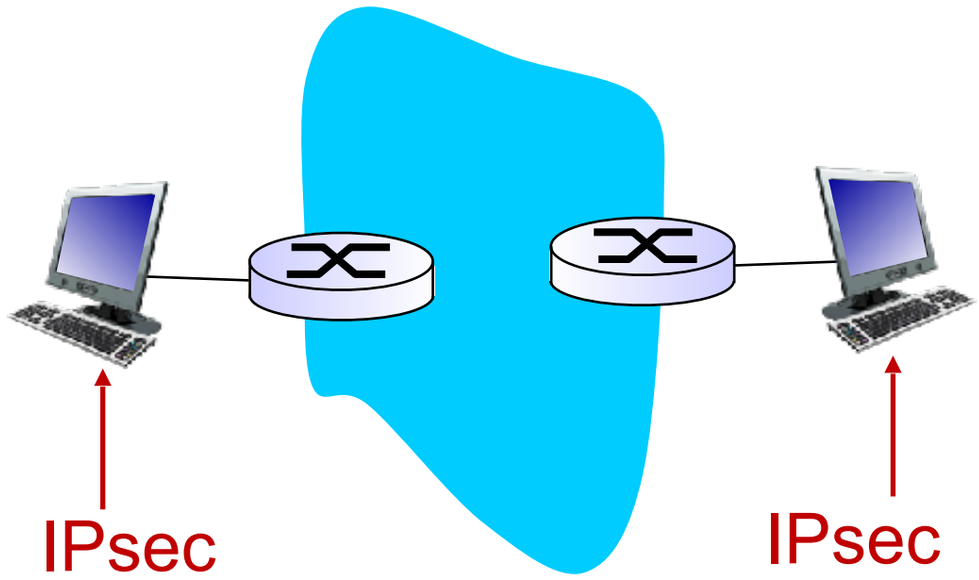
- IPsec datagram emitted and received by end-system
- protects upper level protocols



IPsec – tunneling mode

- edge routers IPsec-aware





- hosts IPsec-aware

Two IPsec protocols

- Authentication Header (AH) protocol
  - provides source authentication & data integrity but *not* confidentiality
- Encapsulation Security Protocol (ESP)
  - provides source authentication, data integrity, *and* *confidentiality*
  - more widely used than AH

Four combinations are possible!

Host mode with AH	Host mode with ESP
Tunnel mode with AH	Tunnel mode with ESP

most common and most important

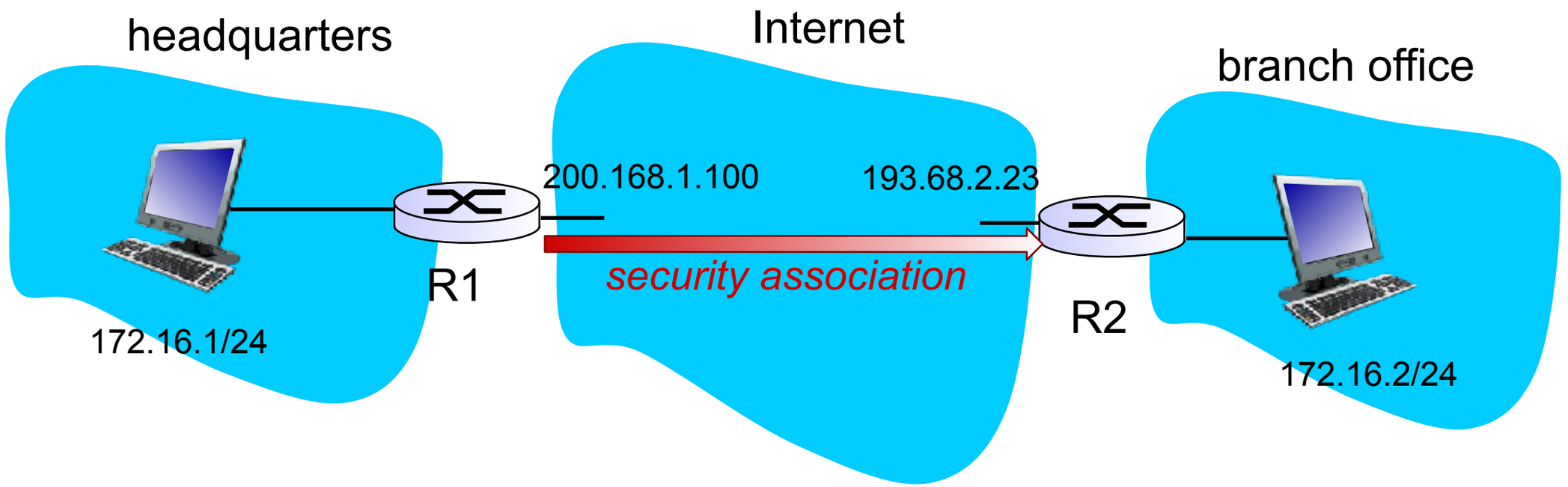
Security associations (SAs)

- before sending data, "security association (SA)" established from sending to receiving entity
  - SAs are simplex: for only one direction
- ending, receiving entitles maintain *state information* about SA
  - recall: TCP endpoints also maintain state info
  - IP is connectionless; IPsec is connection-oriented!
- how many SAs in VPN w/ headquarters, branch office, and n traveling salespeople?

Example SA from R1 to R2

R1 stores for SA:

- 32-bit SA identifier: *Security Parameter Index (SPI)*
- origin SA interface (200.168.1.100)
- destination SA interface (193.68.2.23)
- type of encryption used (e.g., 3DES with CBC)
- encryption key
- type of integrity check used (e.g., HMAC with MD5)
- authentication key

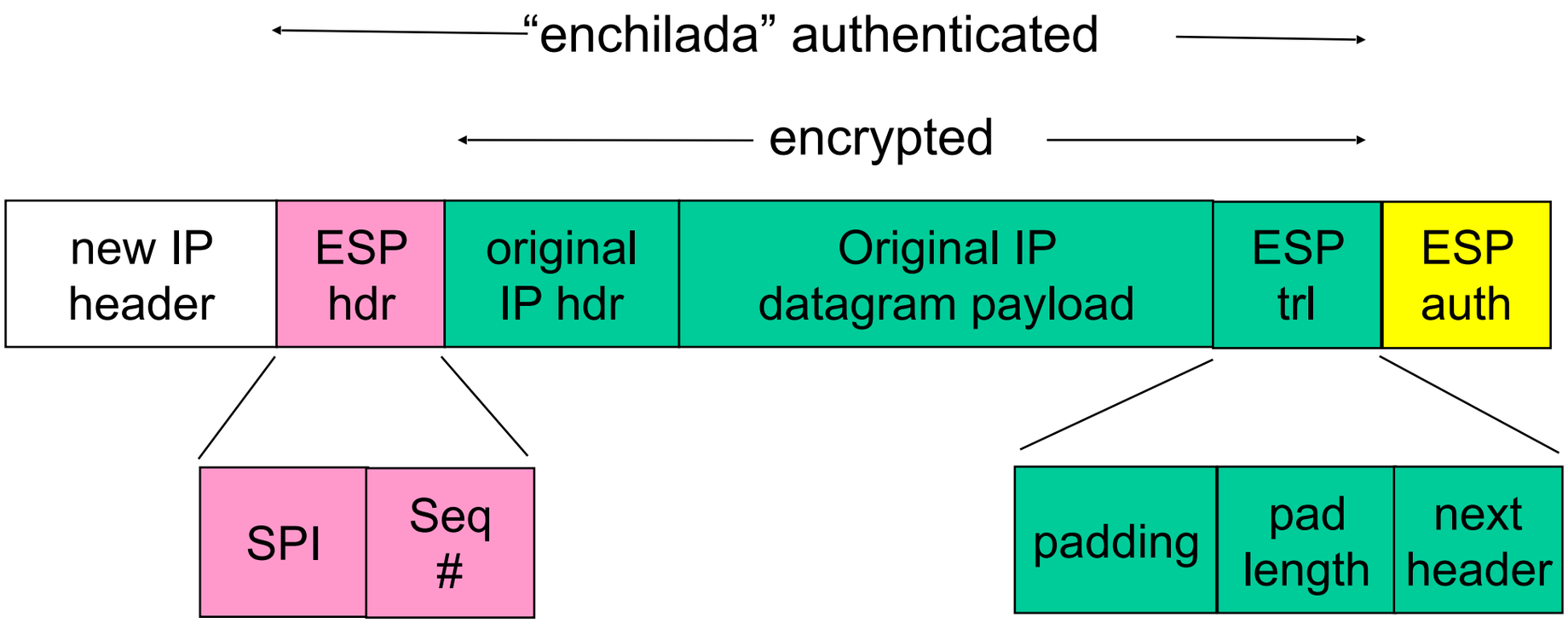


Security Association Database (SAD)

- endpoint holds SA state in *security association database (SAD)*, where it can locate them during processing.
- with n salespersons, 2 + 2n SAs in R1's SAD
- when sending IPsec datagram, R1 accesses SAD to determine how to process datagram.
- when IPsec datagram arrives to R2, R2 examines SPI in IPsec datagram, indexes SAD with SPI, and processes datagram accordingly.

IPsec datagram

focus for now on tunnel mode with ESP



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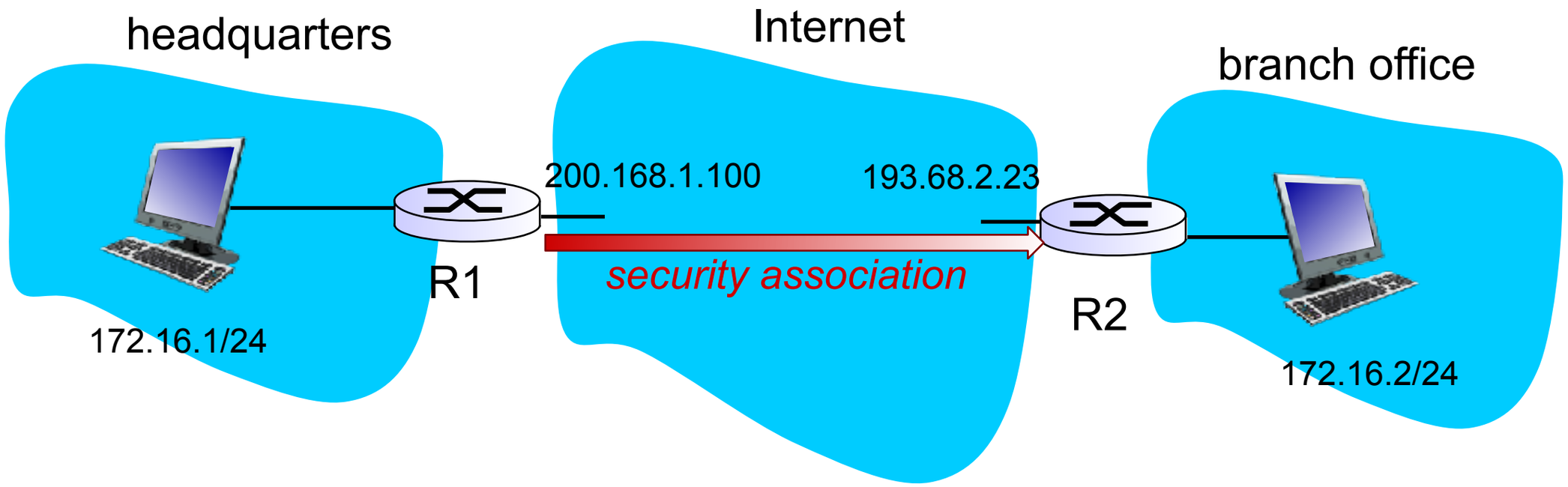
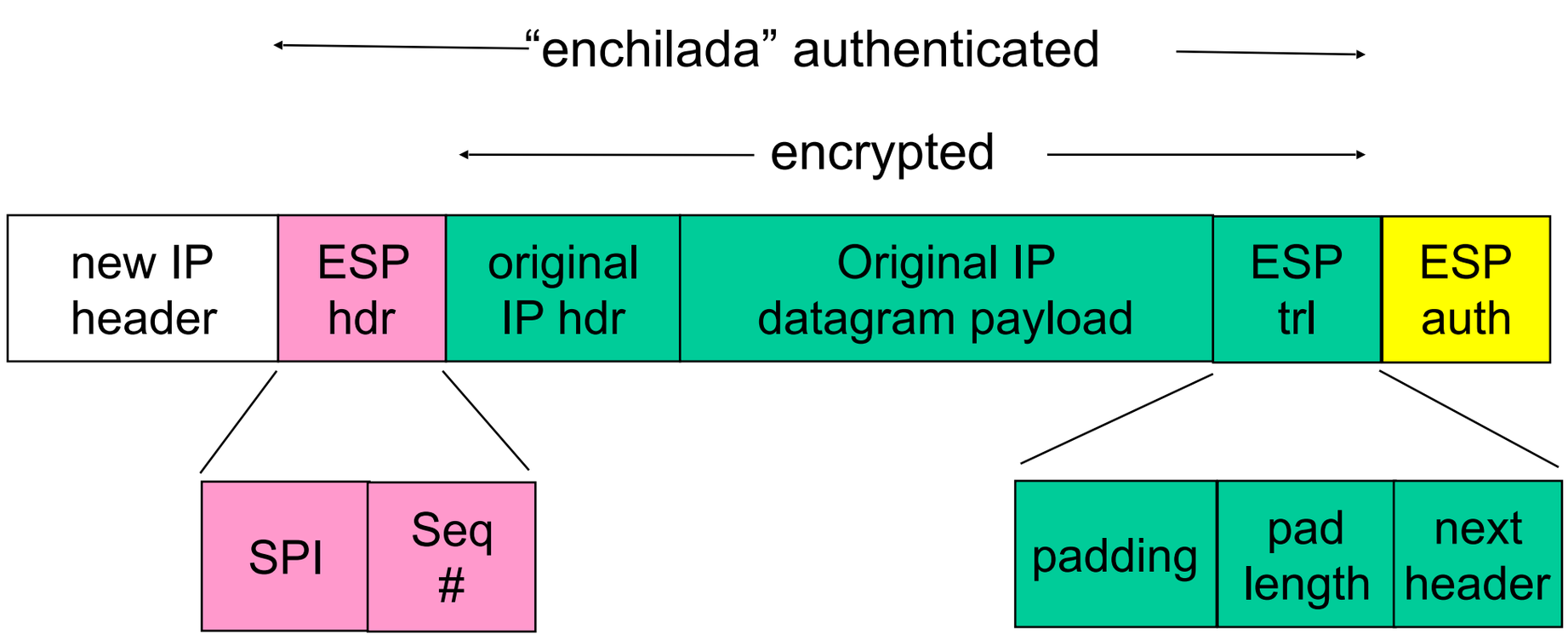
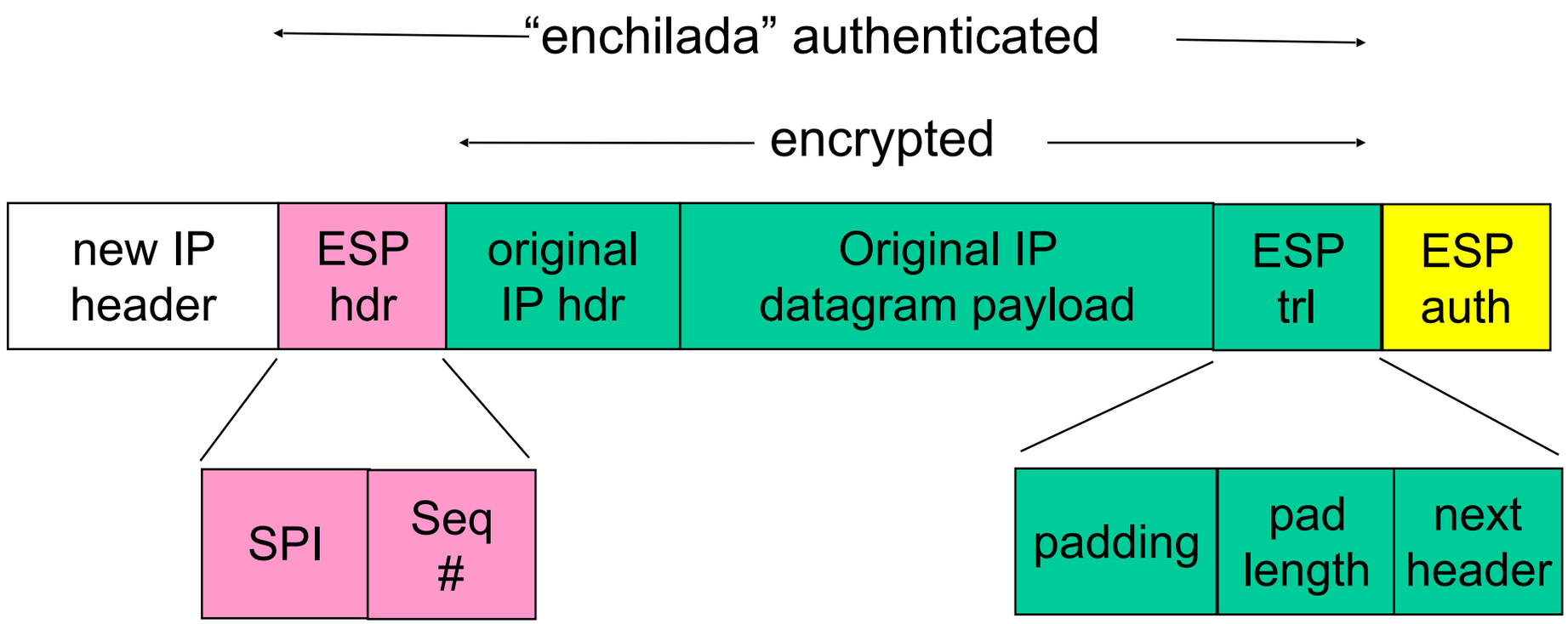




R1: convert original datagram to IPsec datagram

- appends to back of original datagram (which includes original header fields!) an “ESP trailer” field.
- encrypts result using algorithm & key specified by SA.
- appends to front of this encrypted quantity the “ESP header, creating “enchilada”.
- creates authentication MAC over the *whole enchilada*, using algorithm and key specified in SA;
- appends MAC to back of enchilada, forming *payload*;
- creates brand new IP header, with all the classic IPv4 header fields, which it appends before payload

Inside the enchilada:



- ESP trailer: Padding for block ciphers
- ESP header:
  - SPI, so receiving entity knows what to do
  - Sequence number, to thwart replay attacks
- MAC in ESP auth field is created with shared secret key

IPsec sequence numbers

- for new SA, sender initializes seq. # to 0
- each time datagram is sent on SA:
  - sender increments seq # counter
  - places value in seq # field
- goal:
  - prevent attacker from sniffing and replaying a packet
    - receipt of duplicate, authenticated IP packets may disrupt service
- method:
  - destination checks for duplicates
  - doesn't keep track of *all* received packets; instead uses a window

Security Policy Database (SPD)

- policy: For a given datagram, sending entity needs to know if it should use IPsec
- needs also to know which SA to use
  - may use: source and destination IP address; protocol number
- info in SPD indicates “what” to do with arriving datagram
- info in SAD indicates “how” to do it

Summary: IPsec services

- suppose Trudy sits somewhere between R1 and R2. she doesn't know the keys.
  - will Trudy be able to see original contents of datagram? How about source, dest IP address, transport protocol, application port?
  - flip bits without detection?
  - masquerade as R1 using R1's IP address?
  - replay a datagram?

WEP design goals

- symmetric key crypto
  - confidentiality
  - end host authorization
  - data integrity
- self-synchronizing: each packet separately encrypted
  - given encrypted packet and key, can decrypt; can continue to decrypt packets when preceding packet was lost (unlike Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) in block ciphers)
- Efficient
  - implementable in hardware or software

WEP authentication

authentication request

nonce (128 bytes)

nonce encrypted shared key

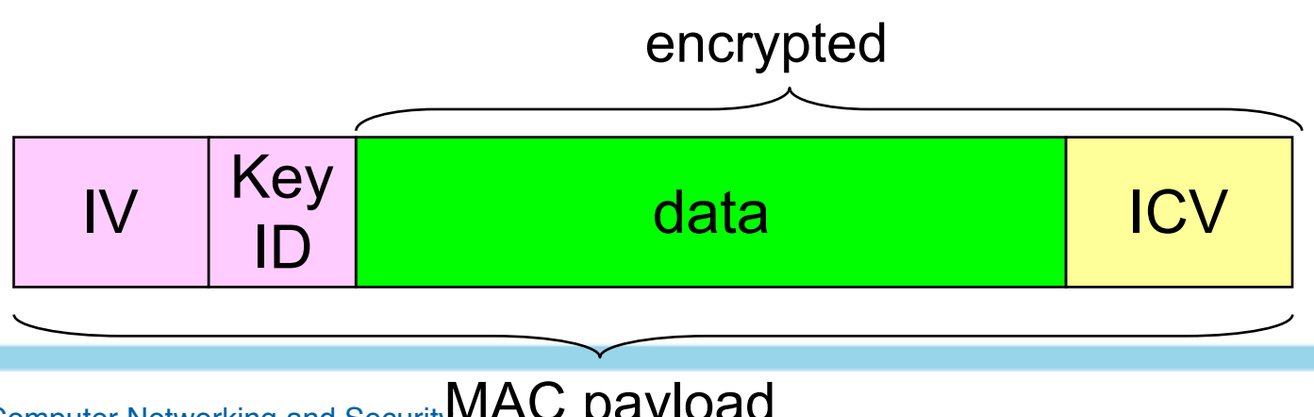
success if decrypted value equals nonce

Notes:

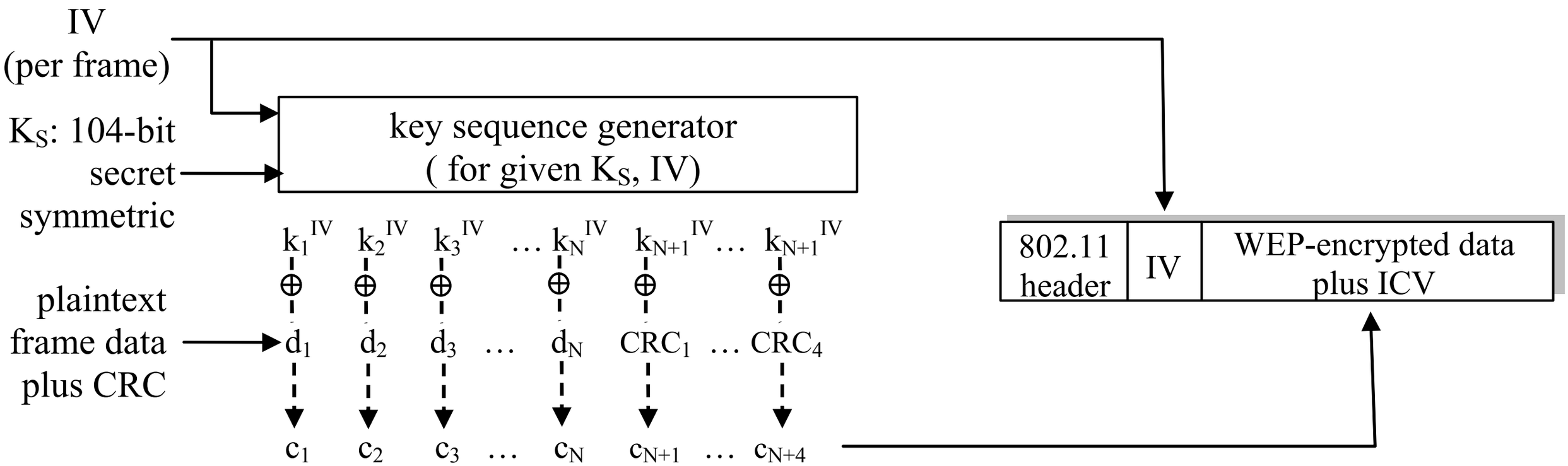
- not all APs do it, even if WEP is being used
- AP indicates if authentication is necessary in beacon frame
- done before association

WEP encryption (1)

- 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:
  - bytes of keystream are XORed with bytes of data & ICV
  - IV & keyID are appended to encrypted data to create payload
  - payload inserted into 802.11 frame

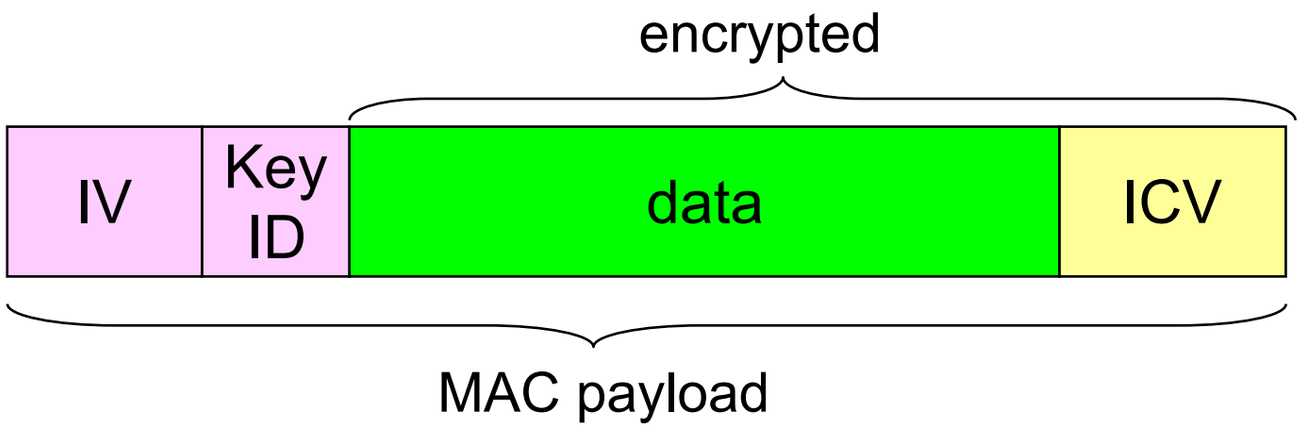


WEP encryption (2)



new IV for each frame

WEP decryption overview

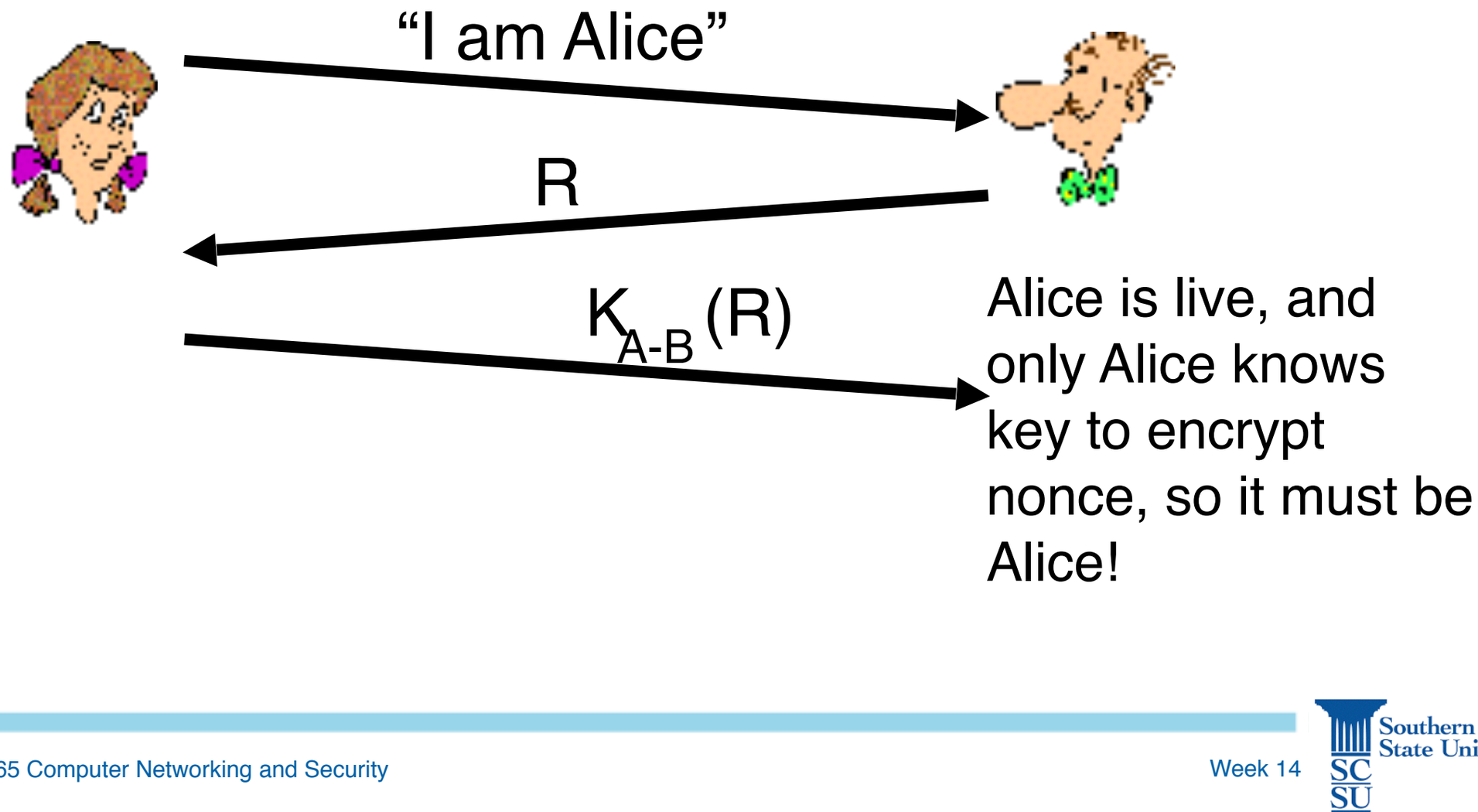


- receiver extracts IV
- inputs IV, shared secret key into pseudo random generator, gets keystream
- XORs keystream with encrypted data to decrypt data + ICV
- verifies integrity of data with ICV
  - note: message integrity approach used here is different from MAC (message authentication code) and signatures (using PKI).

End-point authentication w/ nonce

Nonce: number (R) used only *once –in-a-lifetime*

How to prove Alice "live": Bob sends Alice *nonce*, R. Alice must return R, encrypted with shared secret key



Breaking 802.11 WEP encryption

security hole:

- 24-bit IV, one IV per frame, -> IV's eventually reused
- IV transmitted in plaintext -> IV reuse detected

attack:

- Trudy causes Alice to encrypt known plaintext $d_1\ d_2\ d_3\ d_4\ \ldots$
- Trudy sees: $c_i = d_i$ XOR k_i^{IV}
- Trudy knows $c_i\ d_i$, so can compute k_i^{IV}
- Trudy knows encrypting key sequence $k_1^{IV}\ k_2^{IV}\ k_3^{IV}\ \ldots$
- Next time IV is used, Trudy can decrypt!

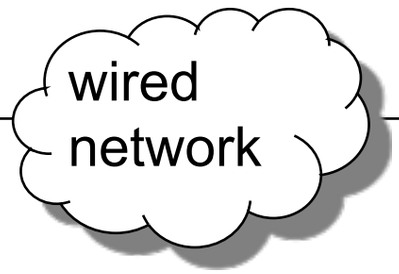
802.11i: improved security

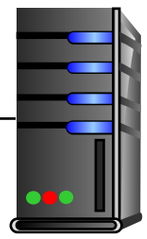
- numerous (stronger) forms of encryption possible
- provides key distribution
- uses authentication server separate from access point

802.11i: four phases of operation

STA: client station

AP: access point





AS: Authentication server

1 Discovery of security capabilities

2 STA and AS mutually authenticate, together generate Master Key (MK). *AP serves as "pass through"*

3 STA derives Pairwise Master Key (PMK)

3 AS derives same PMK, sends to AP

4 STA, AP use PMK to derive Temporal Key (TK) used for message encryption, integrity

EAP: extensible authentication protocol

- EAP: end-end client (mobile) to authentication server protocol
- EAP sent over separate “links”
  - mobile-to-AP (EAP over LAN)
  - AP to authentication server (RADIUS over UDP)