

Securely Signing and Verifying Data



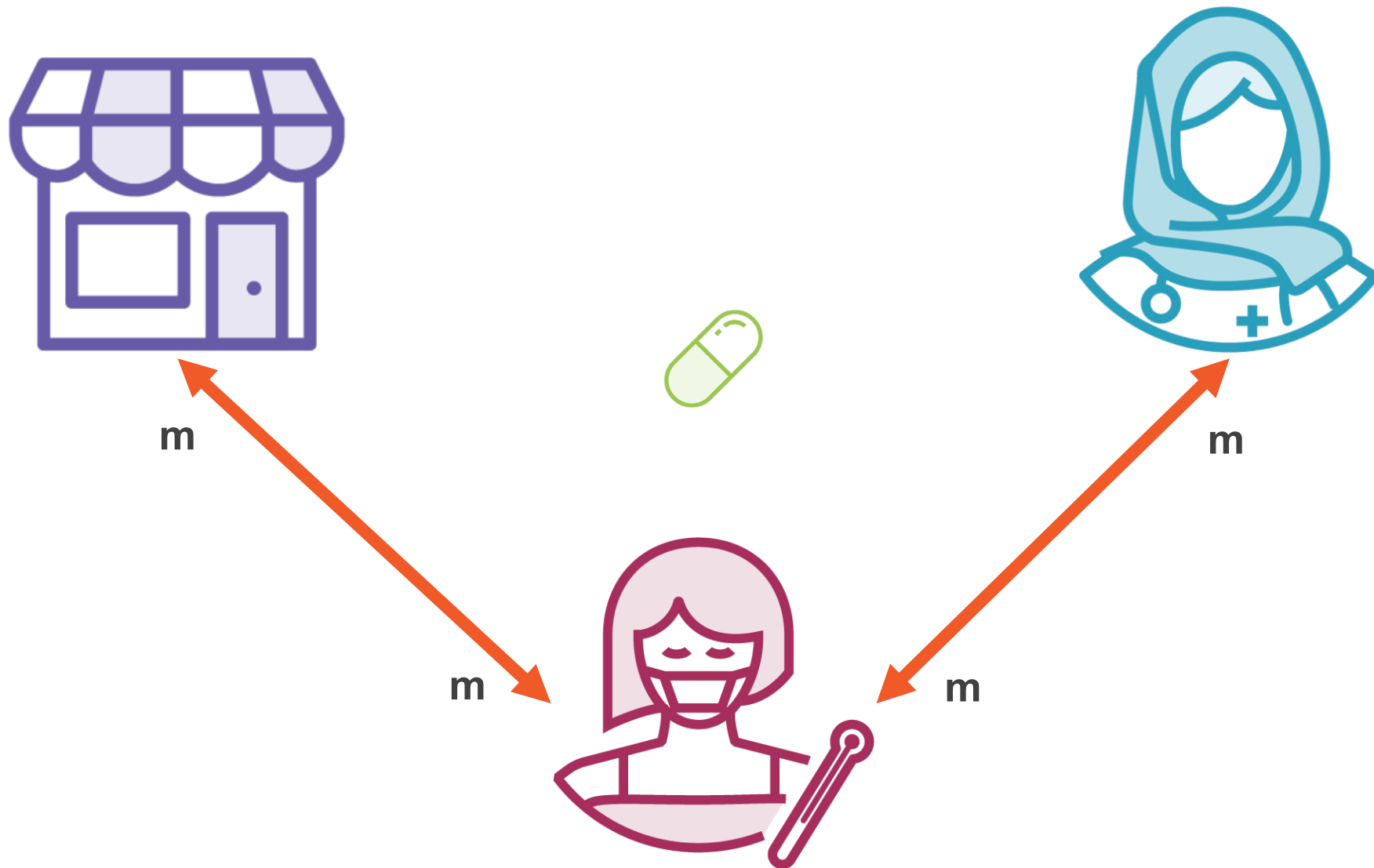
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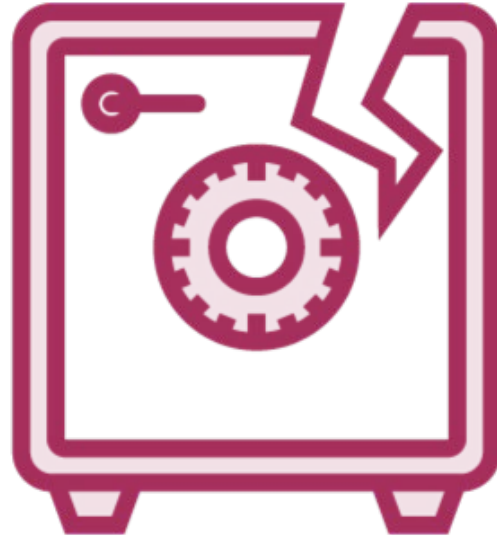


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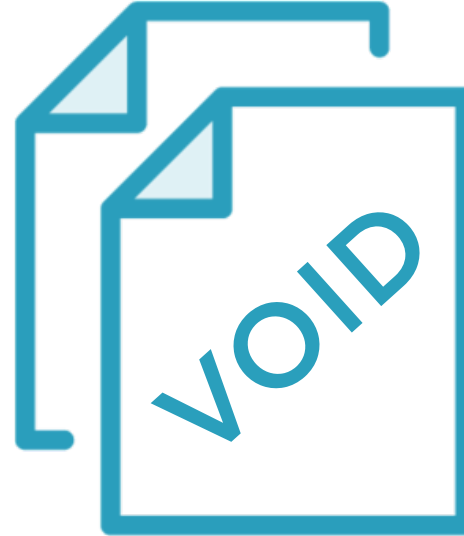
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Identifiers



Stolen?

Patient Name



Copied?

Special Paper



Altered?

Special Encoding



Encoding isn't security



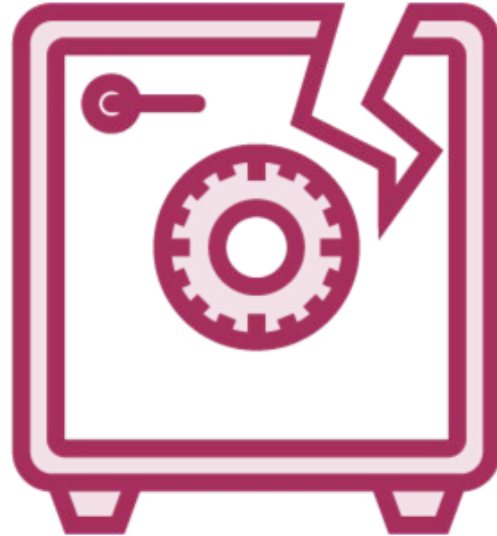
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Replayability



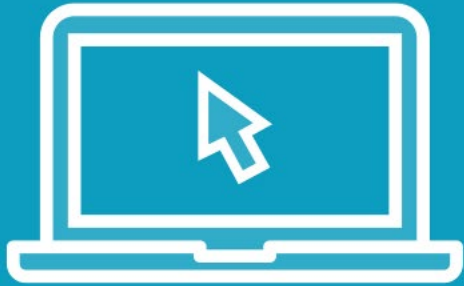
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Integrity



Demo



Bank Transfer Demo



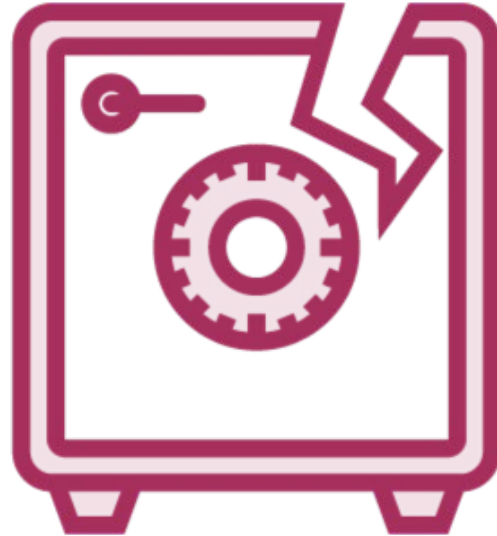
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Integrity



Parity

From: Dr. Watson
For: Hacker Doe

30 cc. of Penicillin
819

$$30 \times 27.3 = 819$$

From: Dr. Watson
For: Hacker Doe

80 cc. of Penicillin
819

$$80 \times 27.3 = 2184$$



Mac Integrity Checks

Sender

```
Mac mac =  
Mac.getInstance("HMACSHA256");  
mac.init(secretKey);  
  
mac.update(clientId);  
mac.update(accountNumber);  
mac.update(amount);  
  
byte[] senderSignature =  
mac.doFinal();  
  
send(clientId, accountNumber,  
      amount, senderSignature);
```

Receiver

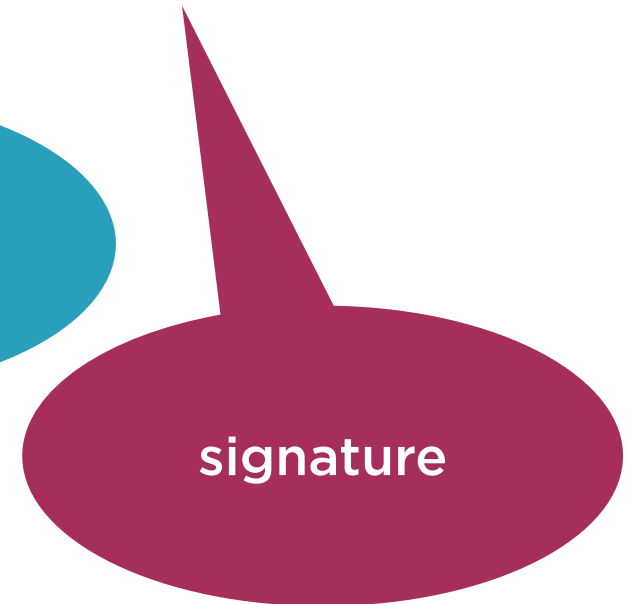
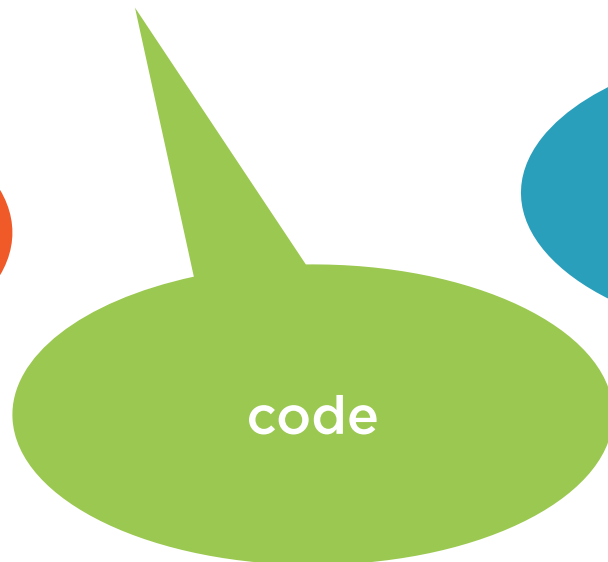
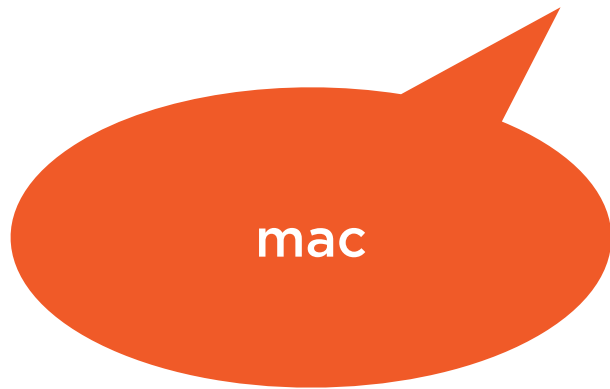
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byte[] receiverSignature =  
mac.doFinal();  
  
if (senderSignature ==  
    receiverSignature)  
    // hooray!
```



= *hmac*(secret, message)

Message Authentication Code

A short piece of information that authenticates a message and proves its integrity.



```
Mac mac = Mac.getInstance("HMACSHA256")  
mac.init(secretKey);  
  
mac.update(each);  
mac.update(individual);  
mac.update(property);  
  
byte[] signature = mac.doFinal();
```

Mac

Use `getInstance`, like other JCA classes, and give it a symmetric key

Everything contributes to the signature

Make sure to encode the signature for easy transport



All message data
contributes to the signature



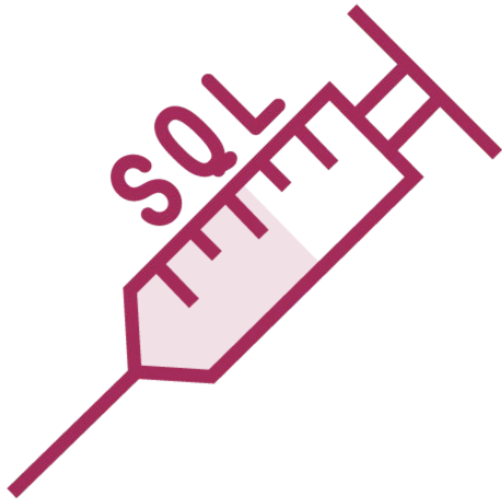
Demo



Mac



Timing Attacks



Blind SQL Injection

Invalid queries return faster than valid ones



Authentication Enumeration

Invalid usernames fail authentication faster than valid usernames

Timing Attacks

000000000000000000?

No

110000000000000000?

No

220000000000000000?

Ahh.. no

330000000000000000?

No



Demo



Mac



So, Why Not Just Use MessageDigest?

MessageDigest	Mac
<i>hash(message)</i>	<i>hash(secret + message)</i>
Anyone can produce	Only the sender or receiver can produce
Integrity Only	Authenticity + Integrity



Non-repudiation

A characteristic of a signature by which a sender cannot at a later date deny having signed it.



Digital Signature Integrity Checks

Sender

```
Signature signature =  
    getInstance("SHA256RSA");  
signature.initSign(privateKey);  
  
signature.update(bankId);  
signature.update(accountNumber);  
signature.update(amount);  
  
byte[] sender =  
    signature.sign();  
  
send(bankId, accountNumber,  
    amount, sender);
```

Receiver

```
Signature signature =  
    getInstance("SHA256RSA");  
signature.initVerify(publicKey);  
  
signature.update(bankId);  
signature.update(accountNumber);  
signature.update(amount);  
  
boolean verified =  
    signature.verify(sender);  
  
if (verified)  
    // hooray!
```



```
Signature signature = Signature.getInstance("SHA256WITHRSA")  
signature.init(secretKey);  
  
signature.update(each);  
signature.update(individual);  
signature.update(property);  
  
byte[] signature = signature.sign();
```

Signature

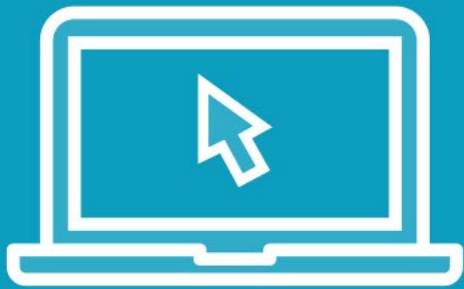
Use `getInstance`, like other JCA classes, and give it a private key to sign

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Demo



Signature



Downgrade Attacks



Declare Expectations

```
if (alg == "v1")  
  then verify()
```



Exclude Weak Algorithms

```
if (alg == "none")  
  then throw
```



Key Confusion

```
else throw
```

What If a Prescription Is...



Copied?

Replayability



Replay Attack

When an attacker can induce a recipient to accept and process the same message more than once.



Include a Guid

```
{  
  "id" : "1234-abcd-5687-efab",  
  "version" : "v1",  
  "signature" : "23BED0B=49QWEQWWE /",  
  "clientId" : "92834233",  
  "accountNumber" : "987654321",  
  "amount" : "92.00"  
}
```



Smell Test





Include Timestamps

```
{  
  "id" : "1234-abcd-5687-efab",  
  "created" : "2019-01-03T12:23:34",  
  "version" : "v1",  
  "signature" : "23BED0B=49QWEQWWE/",  
  "clientId" : "92834233",  
  "accountNumber" : "987654321",  
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Demo



Nonces



Key Sharing Options



Out-of-Band

Give the key in a way that is not part of the message handshake



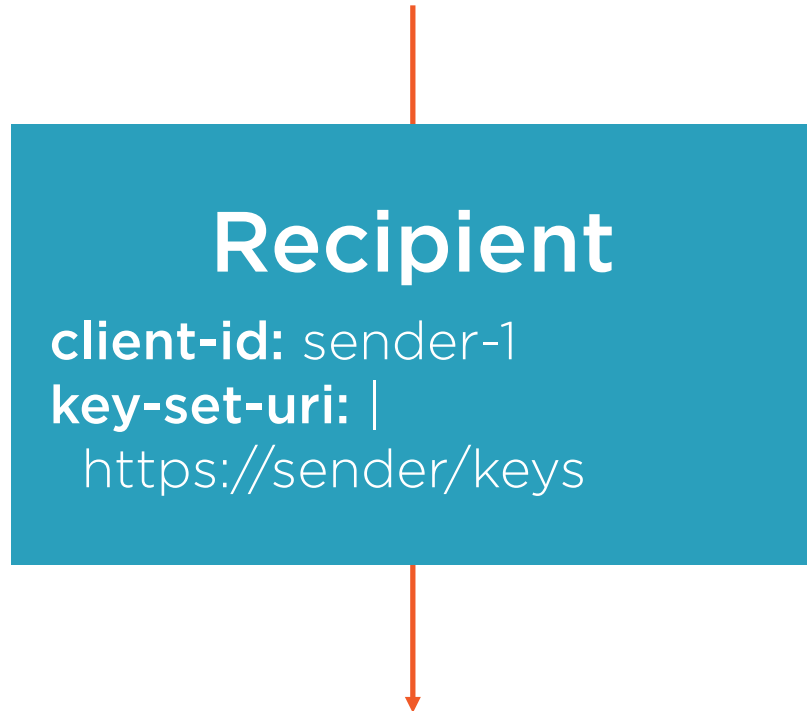
Key Service Endpoint

Sender serves the public keys from a known endpoint

Serving Public Keys

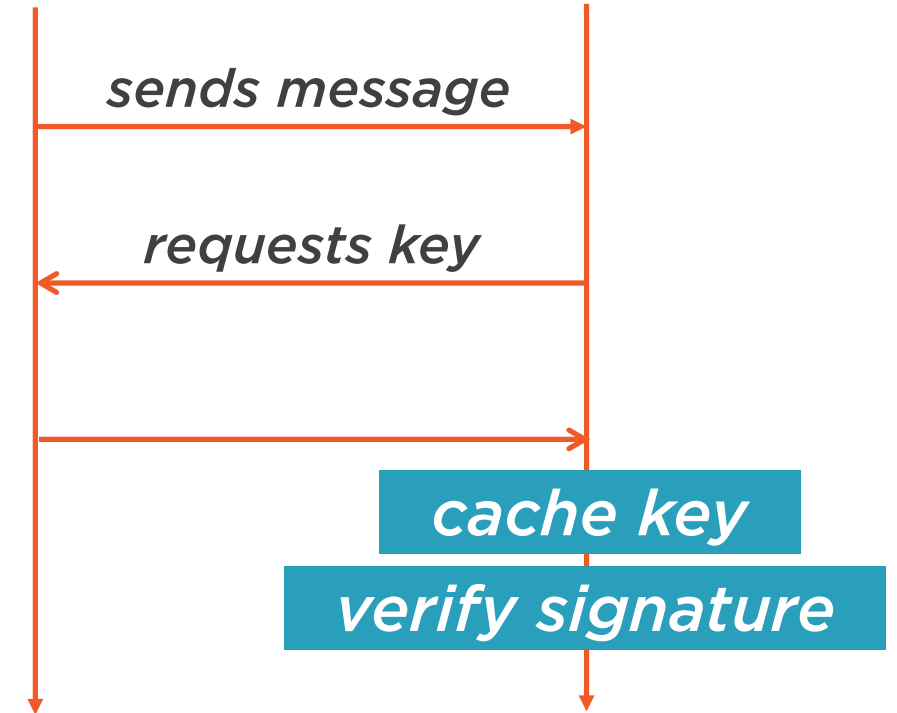
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Register the endpoint



2

Check endpoint in handshake



JWS: A Protocol for Signing JSON

This Module	JWS
signature version	alg
message id	jti
creation date	iat
sender id	iss
key id	kid



```
NimbusJwtDecoder jwtDecoder =  
    NimbusJwtDecoder.withJwkSetUri  
        ("https://recipient/keys").build();  
Jwt jwt = jwtDecoder.decode(messageBody);  
Map<String, Object> messageData = jwt.getClaims();
```

JWS Support in Spring Security 5.x

Based on the Nimbus library

The class is called NimbusJwtDecoderJwkSupport in 5.1, with the more powerful NimbusJwtDecoder coming in 5.2



Demo



Nimbus



(De)serialization



Several aspects of a message can be faked, altered, or copied

MACs and Digital Signatures are ways to establish integrity and authenticity

All data goes into a signature

Nonces are helpful for replay attacks

Key service endpoints for Key Rotation

JWS, WS-Security and other protocols exist – Spring Security and several other libraries offer JWS support

