CS5222 Computer Networks and Internets

Security

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Network Security Roadmap

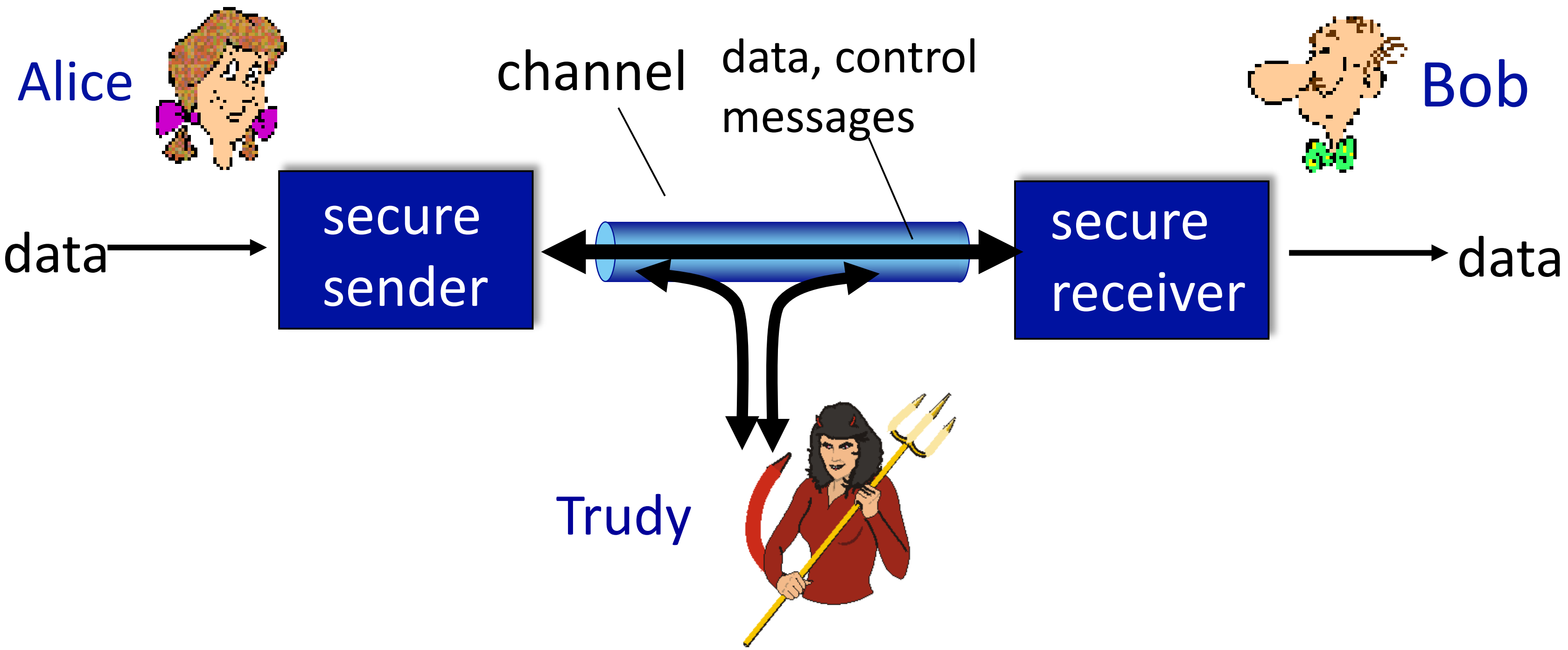
- What is network security?
- Principles of cryptography
- Message integrity, authentication
- Securing e-mail
- Securing TCP connections: TLS
- Network layer security: IPsec
- Security in wireless and mobile networks
- Operational security: firewalls and IDS

What is network security?

- Confidentiality: only sender and the intended receiver "understand" the message contents
  - sender encrypts message
  - receiver decrypts message
- Integrity: sender and receiver want to ensure the message not altered (in transit, or afterwards) without detection
- Authentication: sender and receiver want to confirm the identity of each other
- Non-repudiation: the assurance that someone cannot deny the validity of something
- Access and availability: services must be accessible and available to intended users

Friends and enemies: Alice, Bob, Trudy

- well-known in network security world
- Bob, Alice (lovers!) want to communicate “securely”
- Trudy (intruder) may intercept, delete, and add messages



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Who might Bob and Alice be?

- … well, *real-life* Bobs and Alices!
- Web browser/server for electronic transactions (e.g., on-line purchases)
- on-line banking client/server
- DNS servers
- BGP routers exchanging routing table updates
- other examples?

There are bad guys (and girls) out there!

Q: What can a "bad guy" do?

A: A lot! (recall section 1.6)

- eavesdrop: intercept messages
- actively insert messages into connection
- impersonation: can fake (spoof) source address in packet (or any field in packet)
- hijacking: "take over" ongoing connection by removing sender or receiver, inserting himself in place
- denial of service: prevent service from being used by others (e.g., by overloading resources)
- Ransom: compromise a system/network, lock the access, and demand for payment

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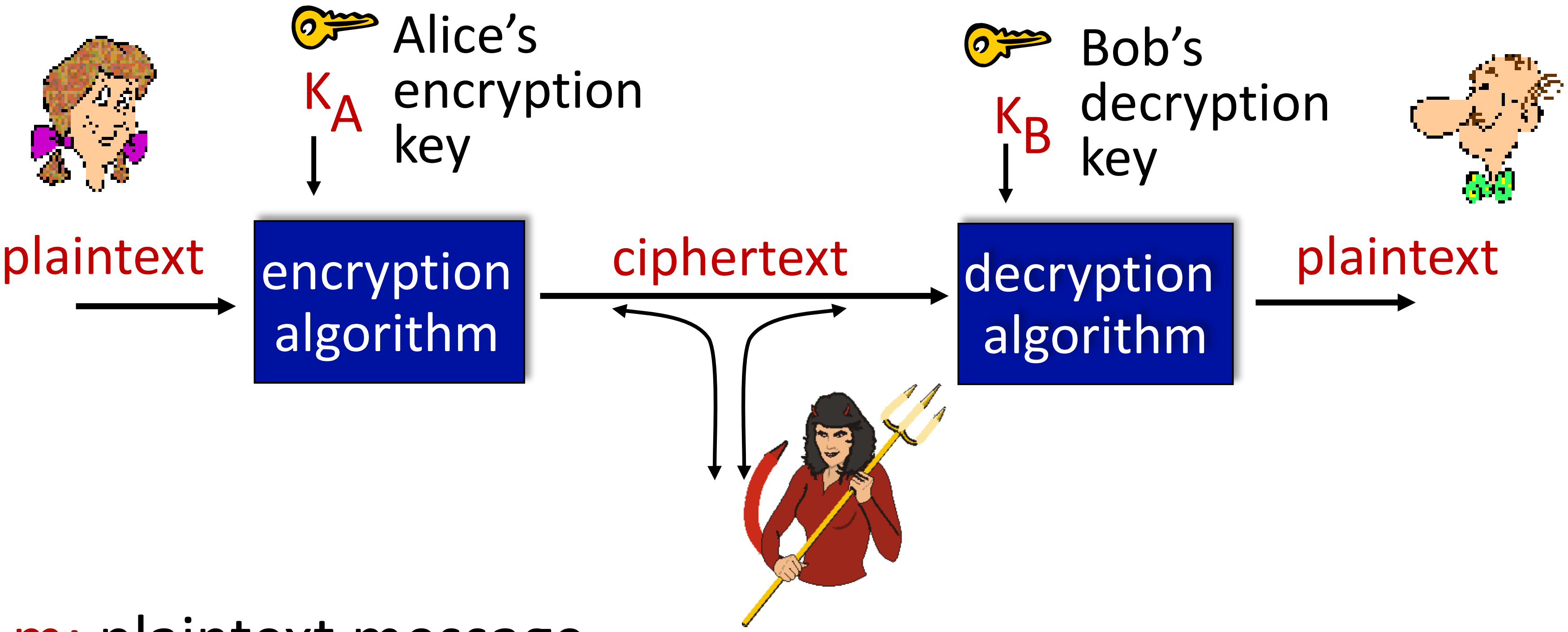
The language of cryptography



m: plaintext message

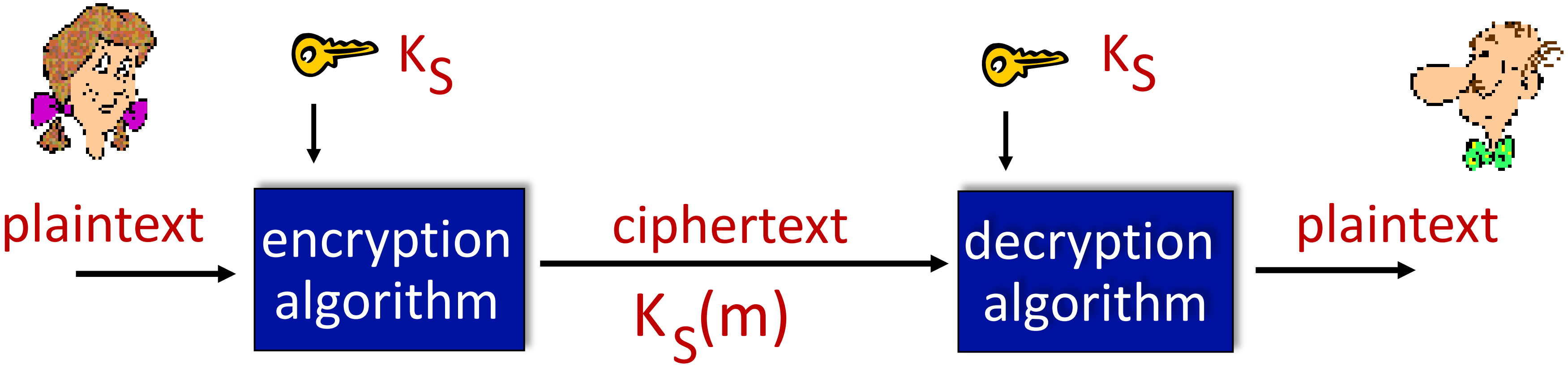
$K_A(m)$: ciphertext, encrypted with key K_A

$m = K_B(K_A(m))$

Breaking an encryption scheme

- cipher-text only attack: Trudy has ciphertext she can analyze
- two approaches:
  - brute force: search through all keys
  - statistical analysis
- known-plaintext attack: Trudy has plaintext corresponding to ciphertext
  - *e.g.*, in monoalphabetic cipher, Trudy determines pairings for a,l,i,c,e,b,o,
- chosen-plaintext attack: Trudy can get ciphertext for a chosen plaintext

Symmetric key cryptography



symmetric key crypto: Bob and Alice share the same (symmetric) key: K

- *e.g.,* key is knowing substitution pattern in mono alphabetic substitution cipher

Q: how do Bob and Alice agree on key value?

Simple encryption scheme

substitution cipher: substituting one thing for another

- monoalphabetic cipher: substitute one letter for another

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plaintext:   abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

ciphertext:  mnbvcxzasdfghjklpoiuytrewq
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e.g.:

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 Plaintext: bob. i love you. alice
ciphertext: nkn. s gktc wky. mgsbc
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Encryption key: mapping from set of 26 letters to set of 26 letters (e.g., shift positions)

A more sophisticated encryption approach

- n substitution ciphers, $M_1, M_2, \ldots, M_n$
- cycling pattern:
  - e.g., n=4: M_1, M_3, M_4, M_3, M_2; M_1, M_3, M_4, M_3, M_2; ..
- for each new plaintext symbol, use subsequent substitution pattern in cyclic pattern
  - dog: d from M_1, o from M_3, g from M_4

Encryption key: n substitution ciphers, and cyclic pattern

- key need not be just n-bit pattern

Symmetric key crypto: DES

DES: Data Encryption Standard

- US encryption standard [NIST 1993]
- 56-bit symmetric key, 64-bit plaintext input
- block cipher with cipher block chaining
- how secure is DES?
  - DES Challenge: 56-bit-key-encrypted phrase decrypted (brute force) in less than a day
  - no known good analytic attack
- making DES more secure:
  - 3DES: encrypt 3 times with 3 different keys

Reason to kill:

- Wang Xiaoyun (□ □ □), Shandong University
- In 2004, break MD5
- In 2005, break SHA1, which commonly used in most symmetric key crypto including DES
- Collision probability is reduced from 2^{80} to 2^{63}

AES: Advanced Encryption Standard

- symmetric-key NIST standard, replaced DES (Nov 2001)
- processes data in 128 bit blocks
- 128, 192, or 256 bit keys
- brute force decryption (try each key) taking 1 sec on DES, takes 149 trillion years for AES

Public Key Cryptography

symmetric key crypto:

- requires sender, receiver know a shared secret key
- Q: how to agree on key in first place (particularly if never “met”)?

public key crypto

- *radically* different approach [Diffie-Hellman76, RSA78]
- Sender and receiver do *not* share secret key
- *Public* encryption key known to *all*
- *Private* decryption key known only to the receiver

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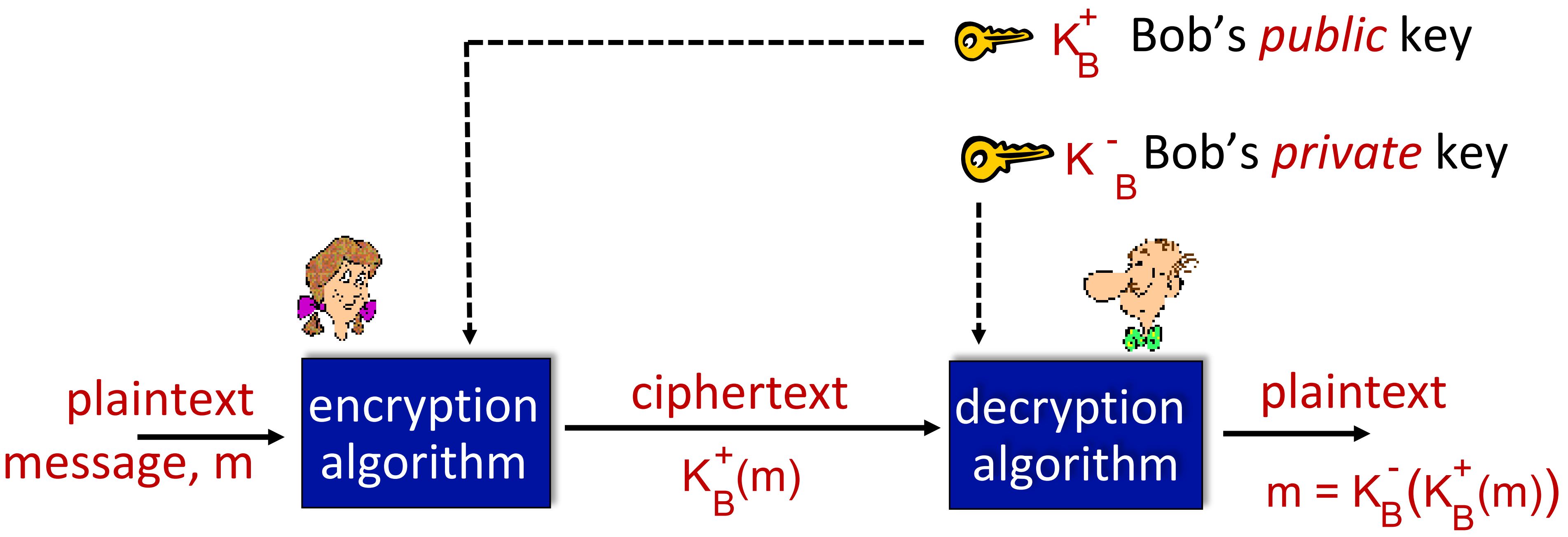

Wow - public key cryptography revolutionized 2000-year-old (previously only symmetric key) cryptography!

- similar ideas emerged at roughly same time, independently in US and UK (classified)

Public key encryption algorithms

requirements:

1. need $K_B^+(\cdot)$ and $K_B^-(\cdot)$ such that

$$K_B^-(K_B^+(m)) = m$$

2. given public key K_B^+, it should be impossible to compute private key K_B^-

RSA: Rivest, Shamir, Adelson algorithm

Prerequisite: modular arithmetic

- x mod n = remainder of x when divide by n
- facts:

  [(a mod n) + (b mod n)] mod n = (a+b) mod n
  [(a mod n) - (b mod n)] mod n = (a-b) mod n
  [(a mod n) * (b mod n)] mod n = (a*b) mod n
- thus

  $(a \bmod n)^d \bmod n = a^d \bmod n$
- example: x=14, n=10, d=2:

  $(x \bmod n)^d \bmod n = 4^2 \bmod 10 = 6$
  $x^d = 14^2 = 196 \quad x^d \bmod 10 = 6$

RSA: getting ready

- message: just a bit pattern
- bit pattern can be uniquely represented by an integer number
- thus, encrypting a message is equivalent to encrypting a number

example:

- m= 10010001. This message is uniquely represented by the decimal number 145.
- to encrypt m, we encrypt the corresponding number, which gives a new number (the ciphertext).

RSA: Creating public/private key pair

1. choose two large prime numbers *p, q.* (e.g., 1024 bits each)

2. compute $n = pq$, $z = (p-1)(q-1)$

3. choose e (with $e<n$) that has no common factors with z (e, z are "relatively prime").

4. choose d such that $ed-1$ is exactly divisible by z. (in other words: $ed \bmod z = 1$).

5. *public* key is $\underbrace{(n,e)}_{K_B^+}$. *private* key is $\underbrace{(n,d)}_{K_B^-}$.

RSA: encryption, decryption

0. given (n,e) and (n,d) as computed above

1. to encrypt message m ($<n$), compute

   $$c = m^e \bmod n$$

2. to decrypt received bit pattern, c, compute

   $$m = c^d \bmod n$$

magic happens! $$m = (\underbrace{m^e \bmod n}_{c})^d \bmod n$$

RSA example:

Bob chooses *p=5, q=7*. Then *n=35, z=24*.
e=5 (so *e, z* relatively prime).
d=29 (so *ed-1* exactly divisible by z).

encrypting 8-bit messages.

encrypt: $\underbrace{\text{bit pattern}}_{00001100}$ $\underbrace{m}_{12}$ $\underbrace{m^e}_{24832}$ $\underbrace{c = m^e \bmod n}_{17}$

decrypt: $\underbrace{c}_{17}$ $\underbrace{c^d}_{481968572106750915091411825223071697}$ $\underbrace{m = c^d \bmod n}_{12}$

Why does RSA work?

- must show that $c^d \bmod n = m$, where $c = m^e \bmod n$
- fact: for any x and y: $x^y \bmod n = x^{(y \bmod z)} \bmod n$
  - ✓ where n= pq and z = (p-1)(q-1)
- thus,
  $c^d \bmod n = (m^e \bmod n)^d \bmod n$
- $= m^{ed} \bmod n$
- $= m^{(ed \bmod z)} \bmod n$
- $= m^1 \bmod n$
- $= m$

➢ Euler's Theorem in Number Theory

✓ For any integers a and m relatively prime, we always have

$$a^{\phi(m)} = 1 \pmod m$$

where $\phi(m)$ is the Euler totient function

Examples: for primes p and q, $\phi(pq)=(p-1)(q-1)$

RSA: another important property

The following property will be *very* useful later:

$$\underbrace{K_B^-(K_B^+(m))}_{\text{use public key first, followed by private key}} = m = \underbrace{K_B^+(K_B^-(m))}_{\text{use private key first, followed by public key}}$$

result is the same!

Why $K_B^-(K_B^+(m)) = m = K_B^+(K_B^-(m))$?

follows directly from modular arithmetic:

$$(m^e \bmod n)^d \bmod n = m^{ed} \bmod n$$
$$= m^{de} \bmod n$$
$$= (m^d \bmod n)^e \bmod n$$

Why is RSA secure?

- suppose you know Bob's public key (n,e). How hard is it to determine d?
- essentially need to find factors of n without knowing the two factors p and q
  - fact: factoring a big number is hard

RSA in practice: session keys

- exponentiation in RSA is computationally intensive
- DES is at least 100 times faster than RSA
- use public key crypto to establish secure connection, then establish second key – symmetric session key – for encrypting data

session key, K_S (Diffie-Hellman key exchange)

- Bob and Alice use RSA to exchange a symmetric session key K_S
- once both have K_S, they use symmetric key cryptography

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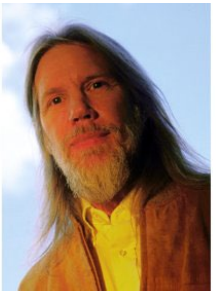
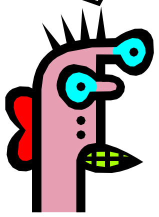
Diffie-Hellman Protocol



- Alice and Bob never met and share no secrets
- Public info: p and g
  - p is a large prime number, g is a generator of Z_p^*
    - ✓ $Z_p^*=\{1, 2 \ldots p-1\}$; $\forall a \in Z_p^*$ $\exists i$ such that $a=g^i \bmod p$
    - ✓ Modular arithmetic: numbers "wrap around" after they reach p

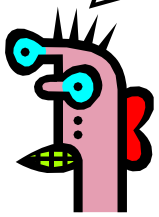
Pick secret, random X

Pick secret, random Y



$g^x \bmod p$ →

← $g^y \bmod p$



Alice

Bob

Compute $k=(g^y)^x=g^{xy} \bmod p$

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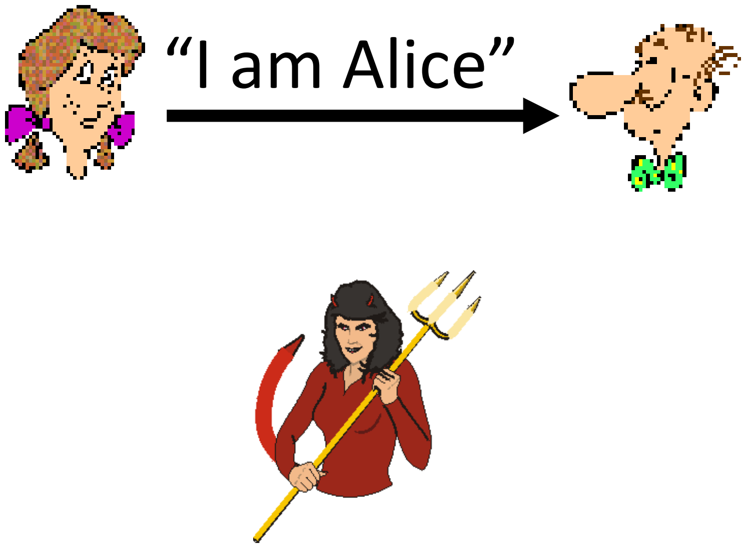

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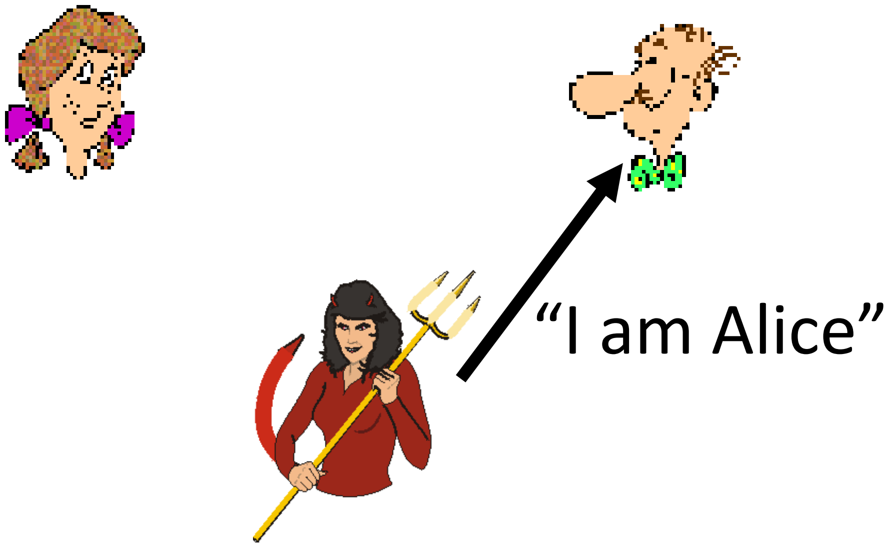

in a network, Bob cannot "see" Alice, so Trudy simply declares herself to be Alice

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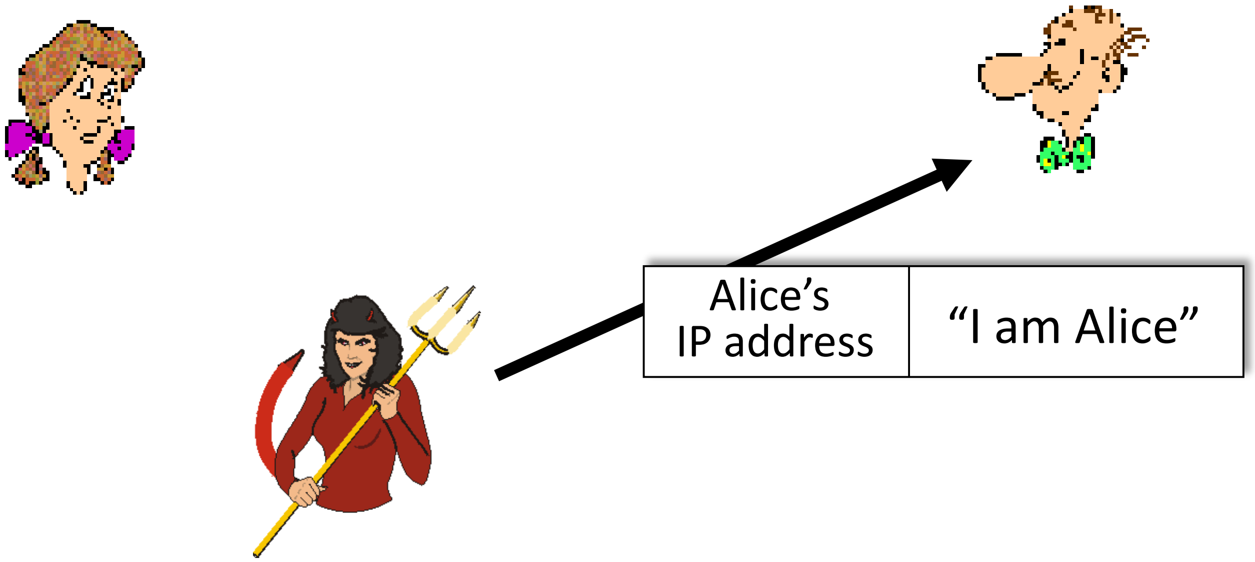

Trudy can create a packet "spoofing" Alice's address

Authentication: a third try

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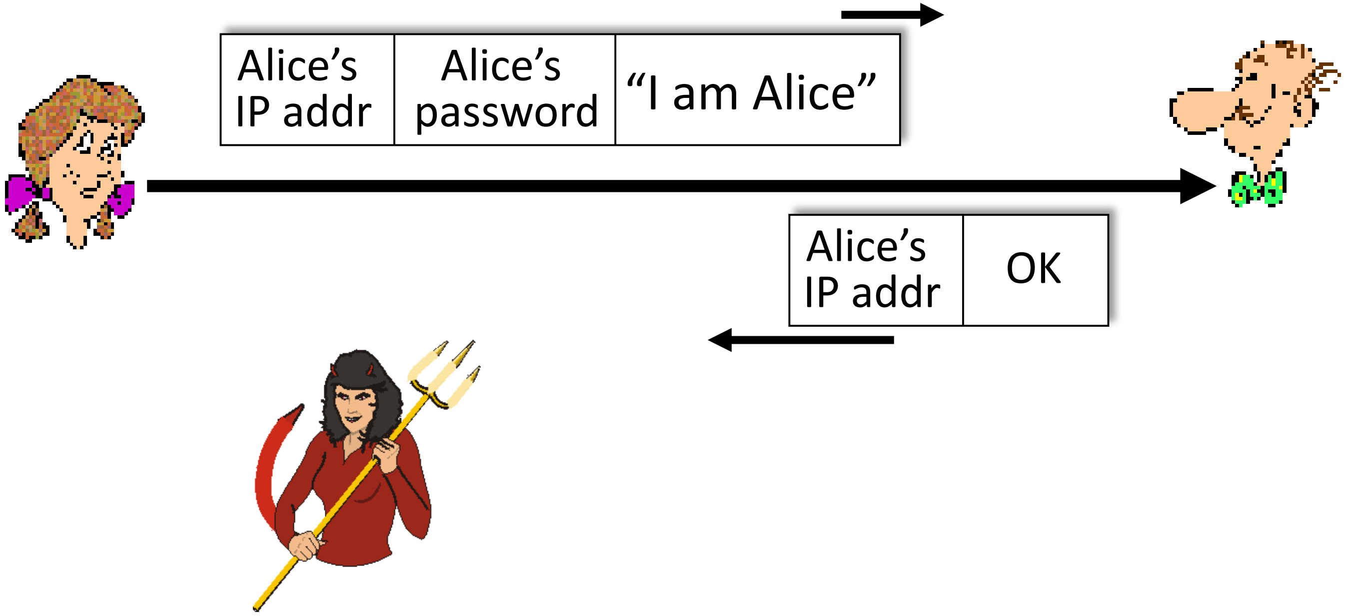
Protocol ap3.0: Alice says "I am Alice" Alice says "I am Alice" and sends her secret password to "prove" it.



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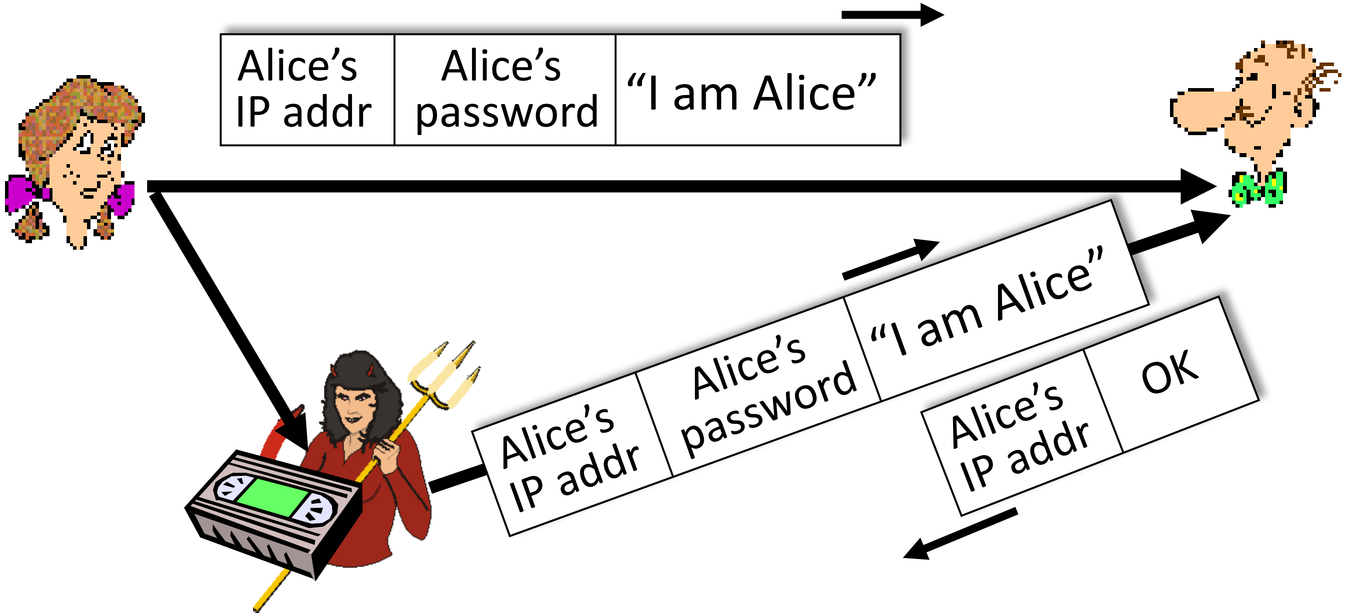

playback attack: Trudy records Alice's packet and later plays it back to Bob

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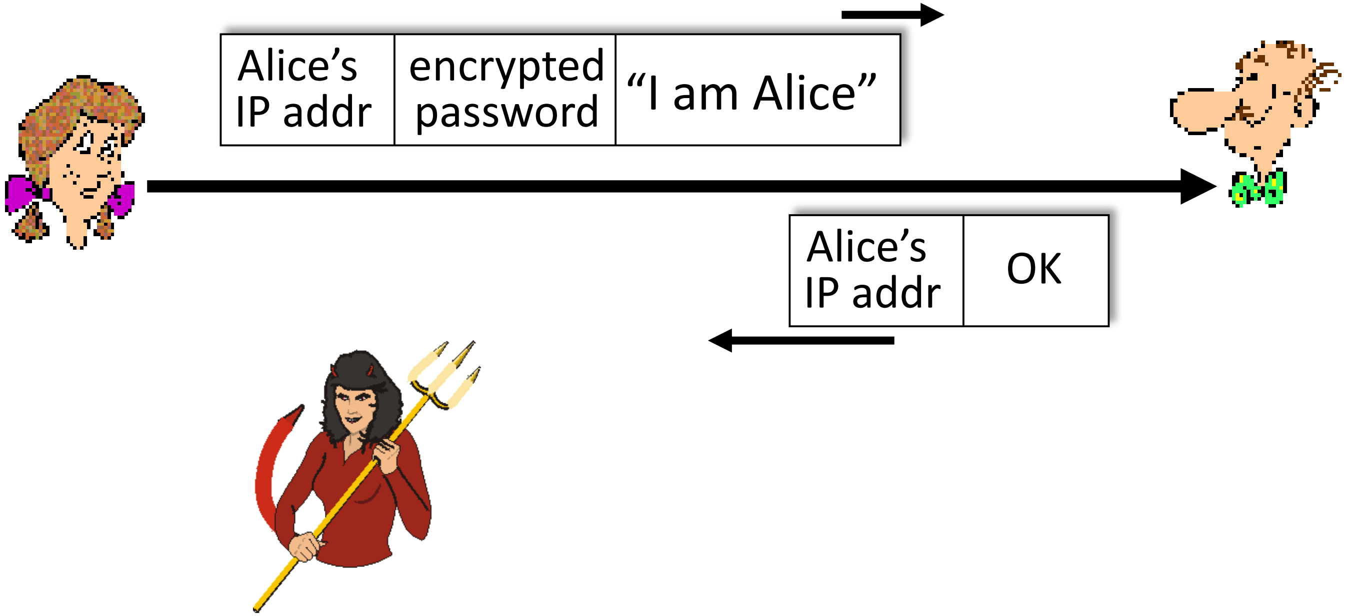

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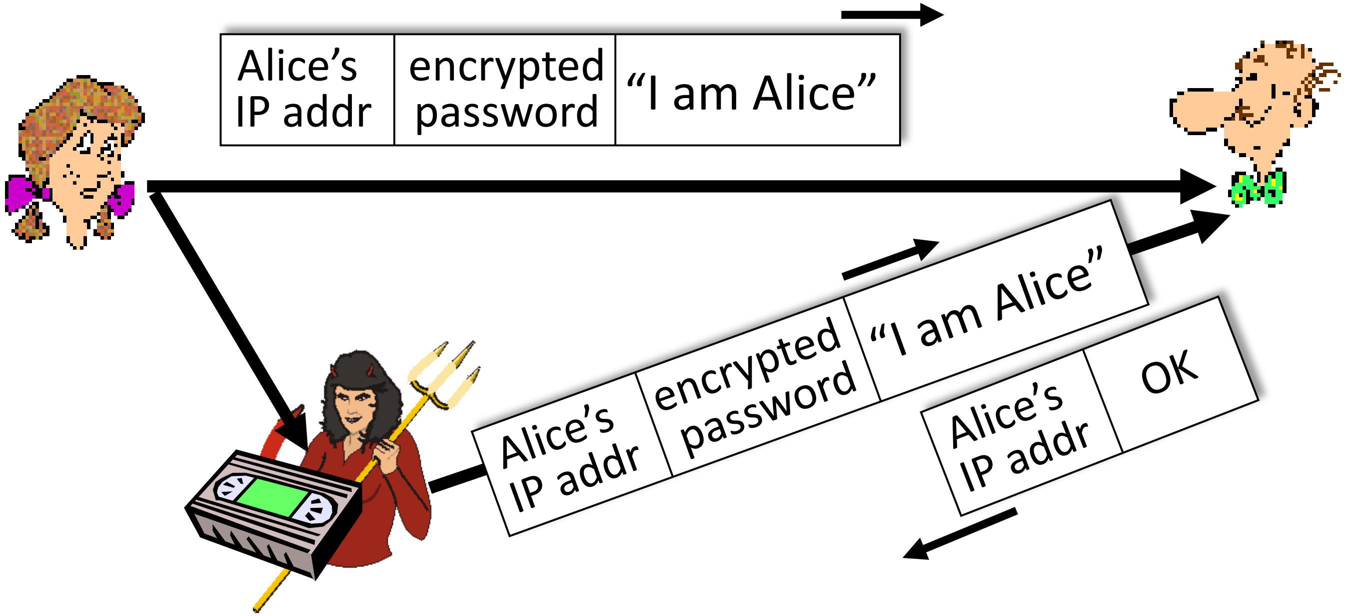


playback attack still works: Trudy records Alice's packet and later plays it back to Bob

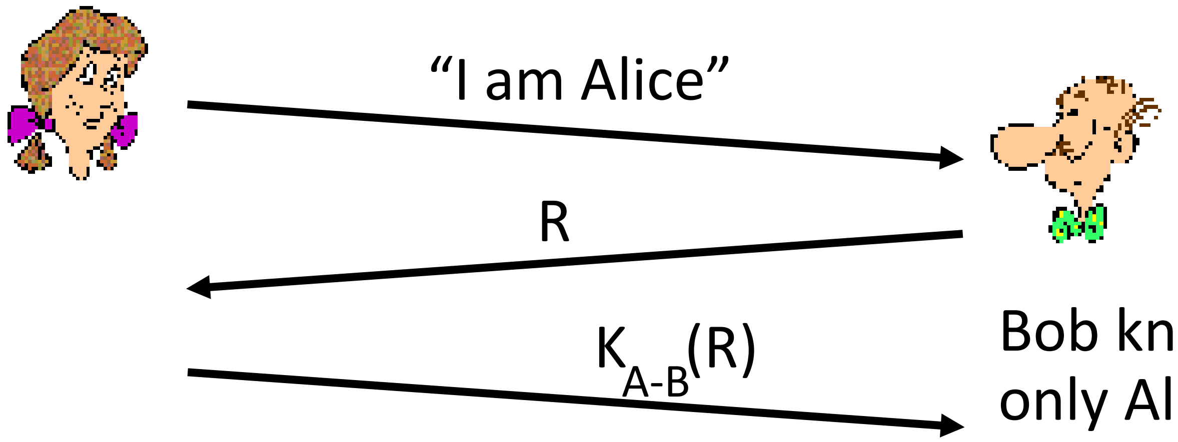
Authentication: a fourth try

Goal: avoid playback attack

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

protocol ap4.0: to prove Alice "live", Bob sends Alice nonce, R

- Alice must return R, encrypted with shared secret key



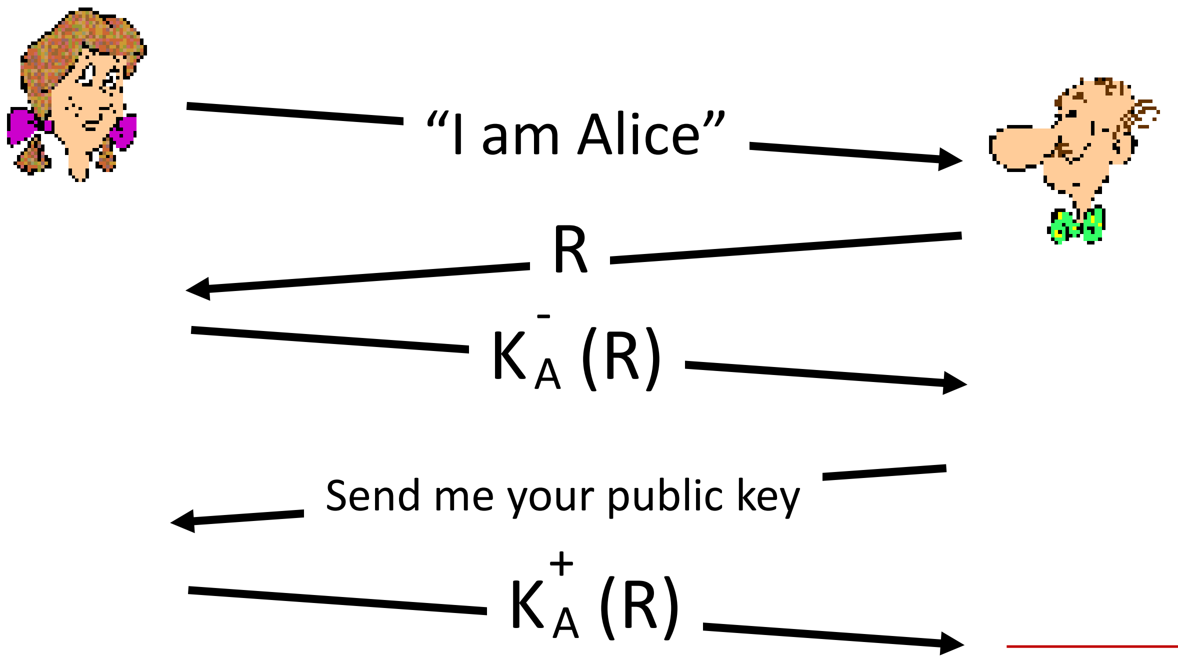
Bob know Alice is live, and only Alice knows key to encrypt nonce, so it must be Alice!

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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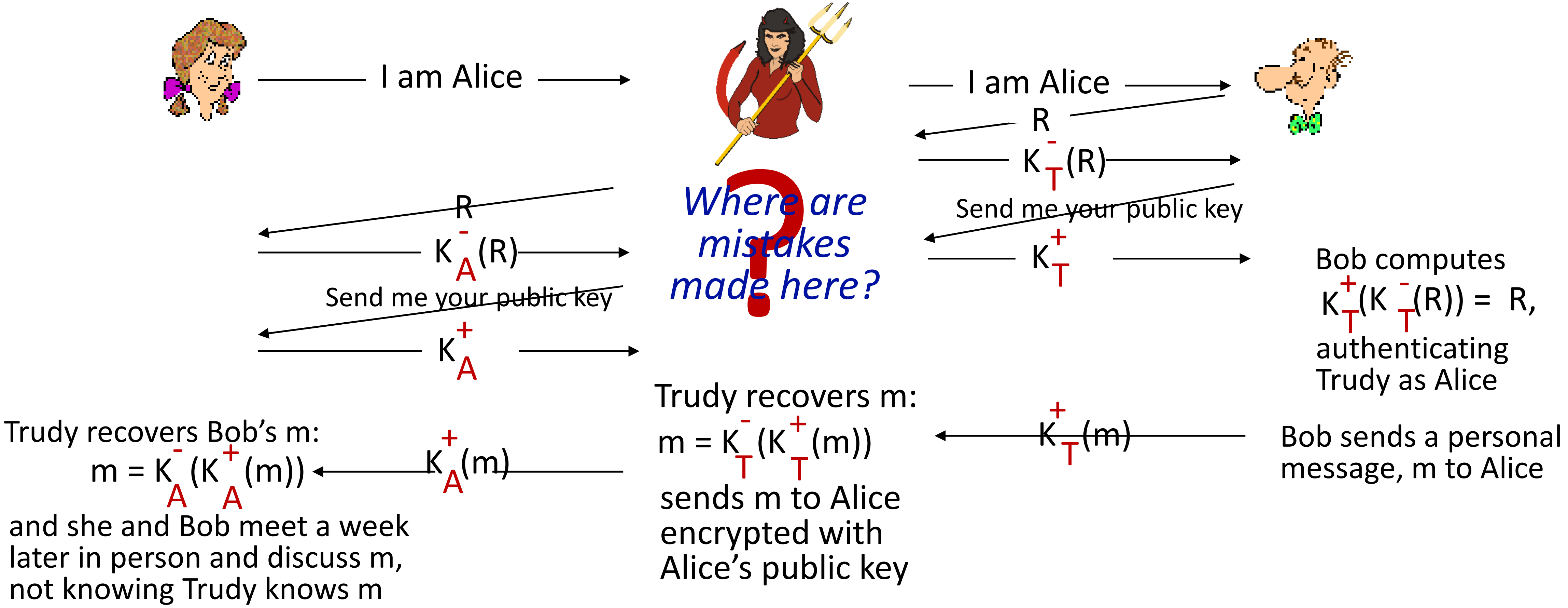
Authentication: ap5.0 – there's still a flaw!

man (or woman) in the middle attack: Trudy poses as Alice (to Bob) and as Bob (to Alice)



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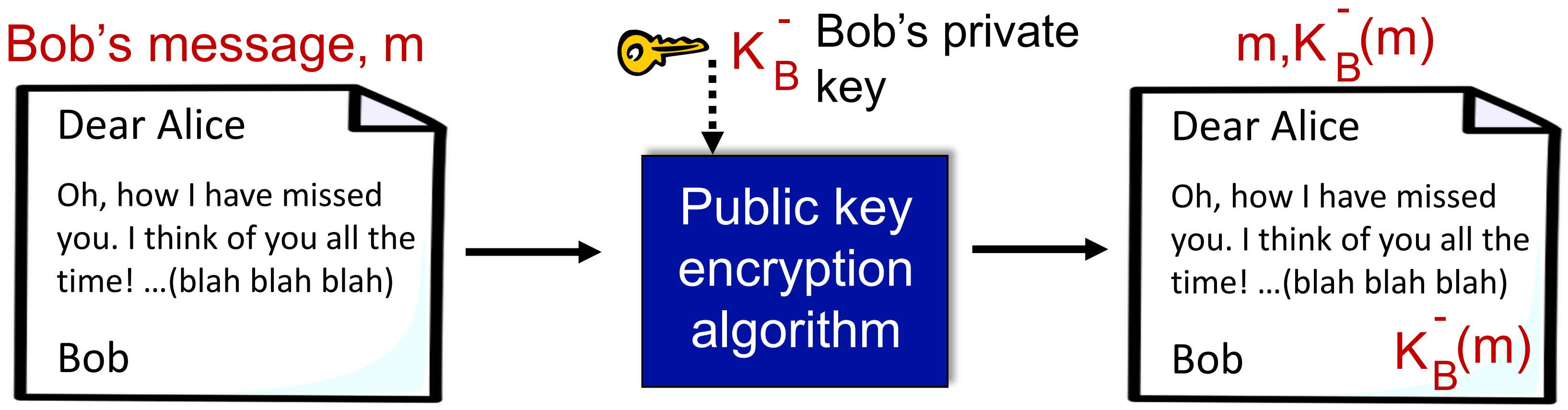
Digital signatures

cryptographic technique analogous to hand-written signatures:

- sender (Bob) digitally signs document: 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
- 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:

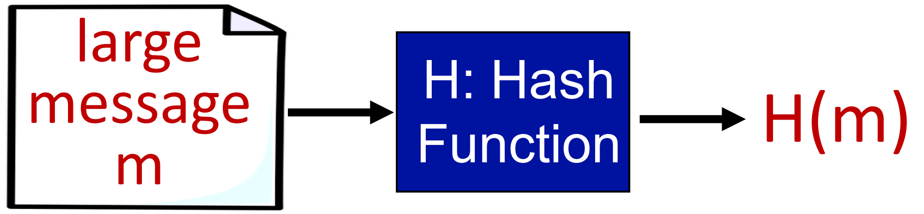
✓ Alice can take m, and signature $K_B^-(m)$ to court and prove that Bob signed m

Message digests: Message Integrity

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	HEX format
I O U 1	49 4F 55 31
0 0 . 9	30 30 2E 39
9 B O B	39 42 4F 42
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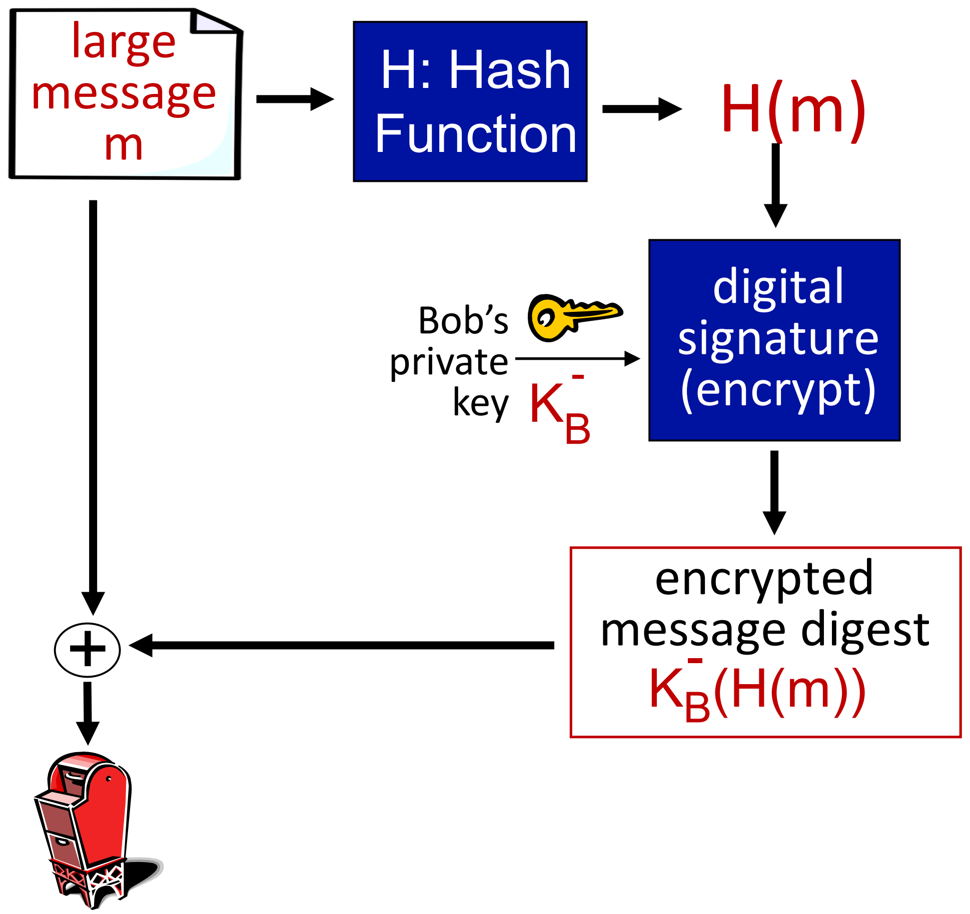
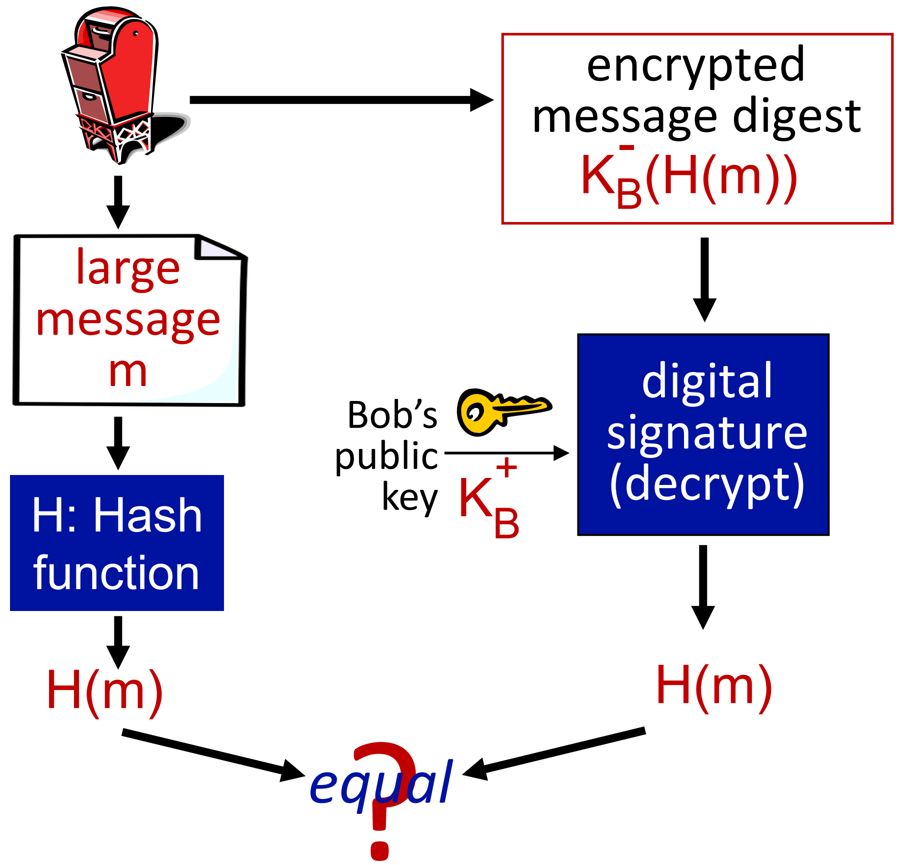
different messages but identical checksums!

Digital signature = signed message digest

Bob sends digitally signed message:



Alice verifies signature, integrity of digitally signed message:

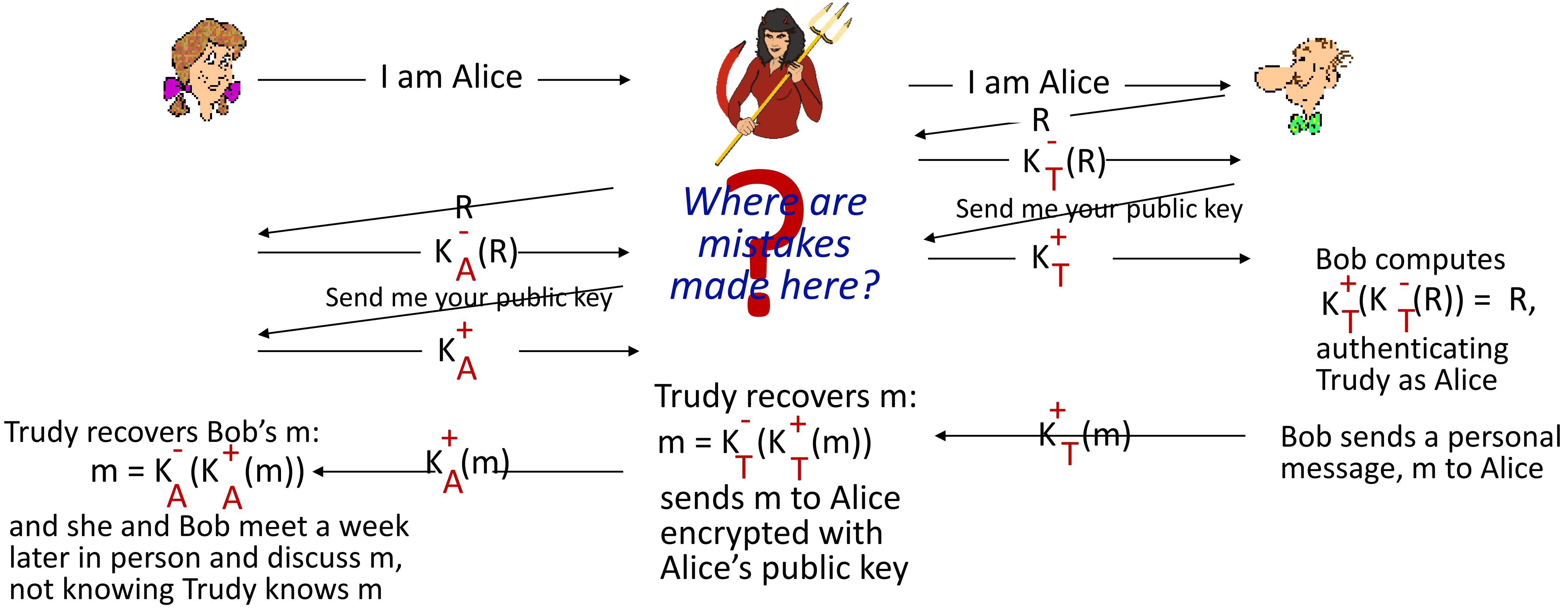


Hash function algorithms

- 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

Authentication: ap5.0 – let's fix it!!

Recall the problem: Trudy poses as Alice (to Bob) and as Bob (to Alice)

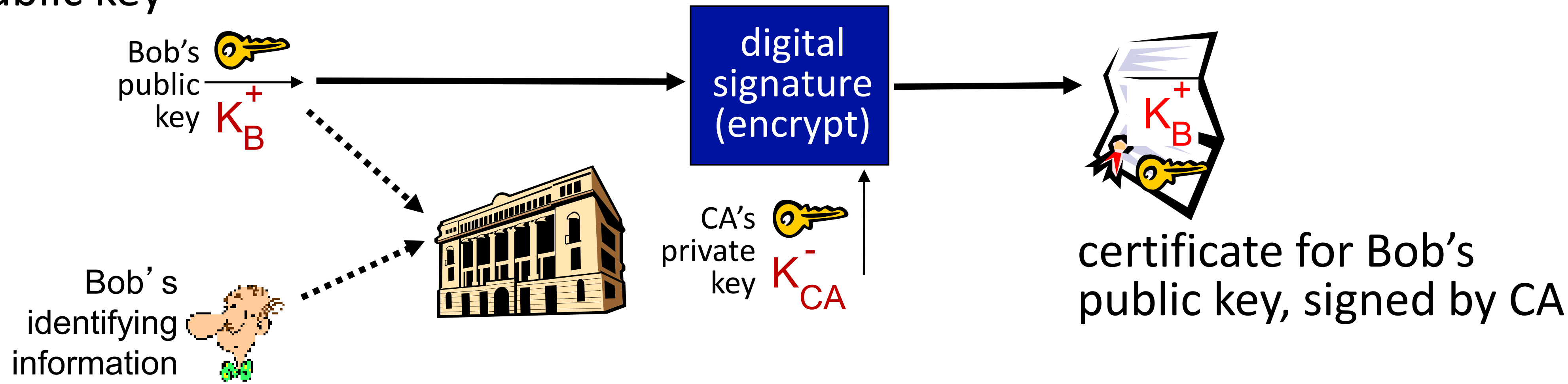


Need for certified public keys

- 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

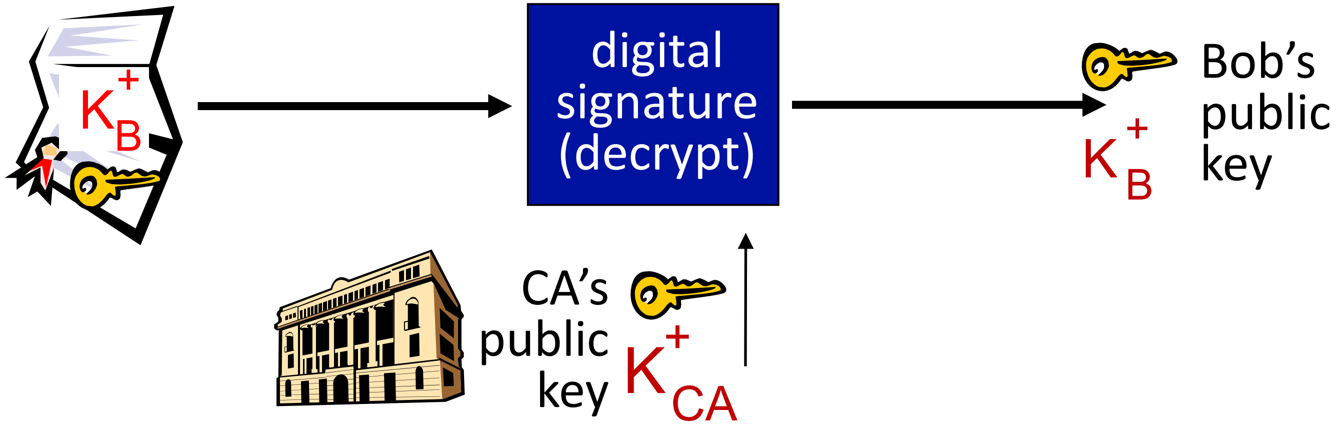
Public key Certification Authorities (CA)

- certification authority (CA): binds public key to particular entity, E
- entity (person, website, router) registers its public key with CE provides “proof of identity” to CA: CA is my witness, and CA is trustworthy!
  - CA creates certificate binding identity E to E’s public key
  - certificate containing E’s public key digitally signed by CA: CA says “this is E’s public key”



Public key Certification Authorities (CA)

- 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



Network Security (summary)

basic techniques…...

- cryptography (symmetric and public key)
- message integrity
- end-point authentication

…. used in many different security scenarios

- secure email
- secure transport (TLS)
- IP sec
- 802.11, 4G/5G

operational security: firewalls and IDS