NuCypher

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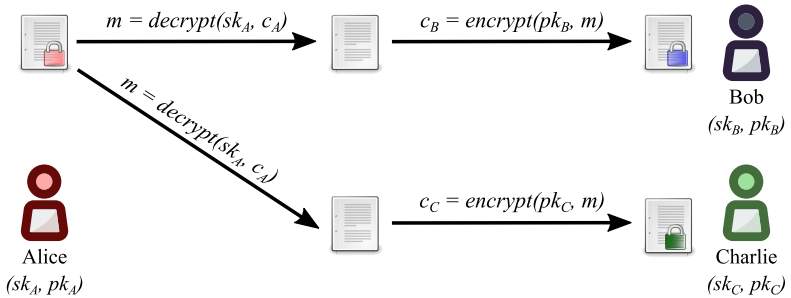
NuCypher Overview

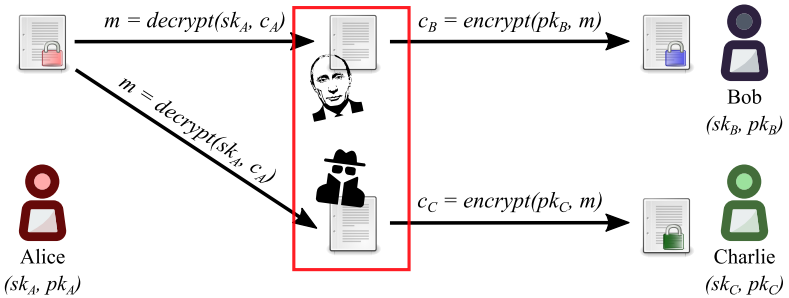
- Use cryptography to build the tools & infrastructure to preserve data privacy
- Privacy-preserving solutions for distributed applications
  - Proxy Re-encryption (PRE)
    - Secure data-sharing and access control of encrypted data
  - Fully Homomorphic Encryption (FHE)
    - Perform arbitrary operations on encrypted data
- Blockchain & Private Deployments

Public Key Encryption (PKE)



Limitations

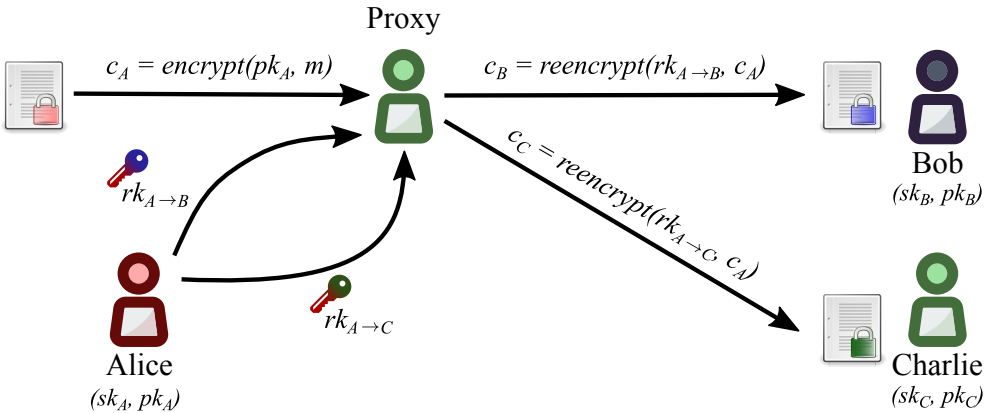
Public Key Encryption (PKE)



Limitations

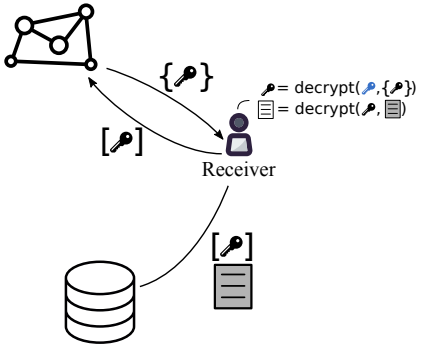
- Decryption required before sharing
- Not scalable
- Complex access revocation

What is proxy re-encryption (PRE)



Solution

Proxy re-encryption + Key Management

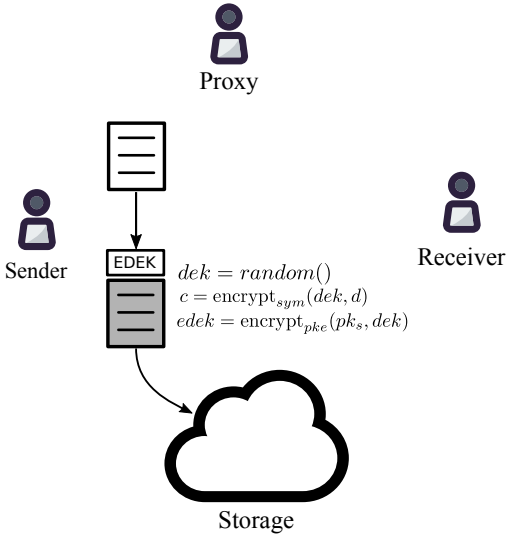


Advantages

- Data not decrypted to facilitate sharing
- Scalable and performant
- Access revocation through re-encryption key deletion
- Secure use of data storage providers

Centralized KMS using PRE

Encryption



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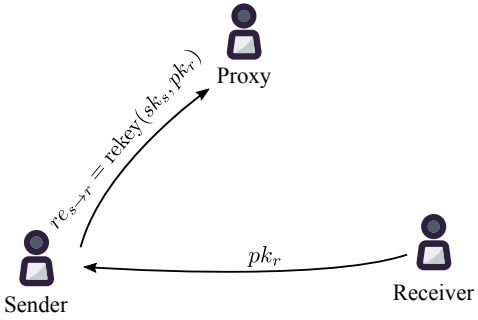
Access delegation



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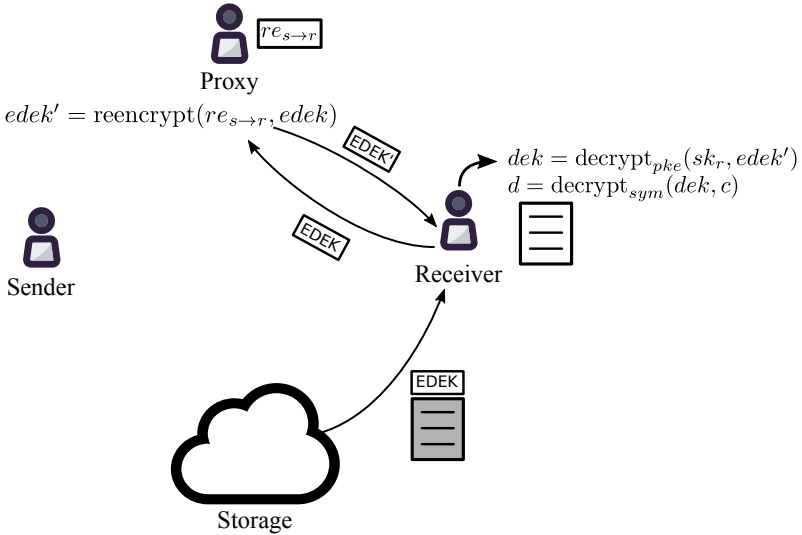
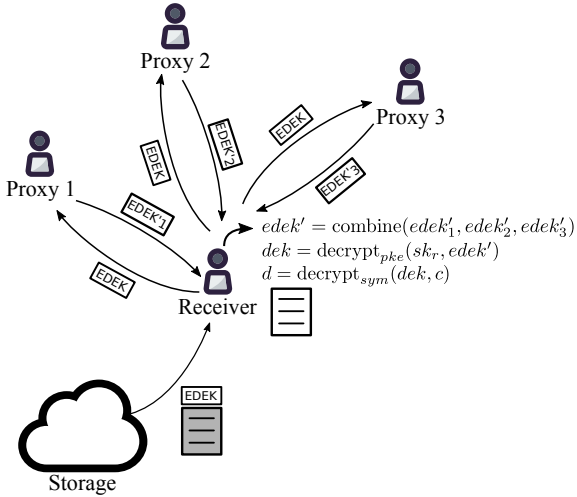
Decryption



Decentralized Key Management

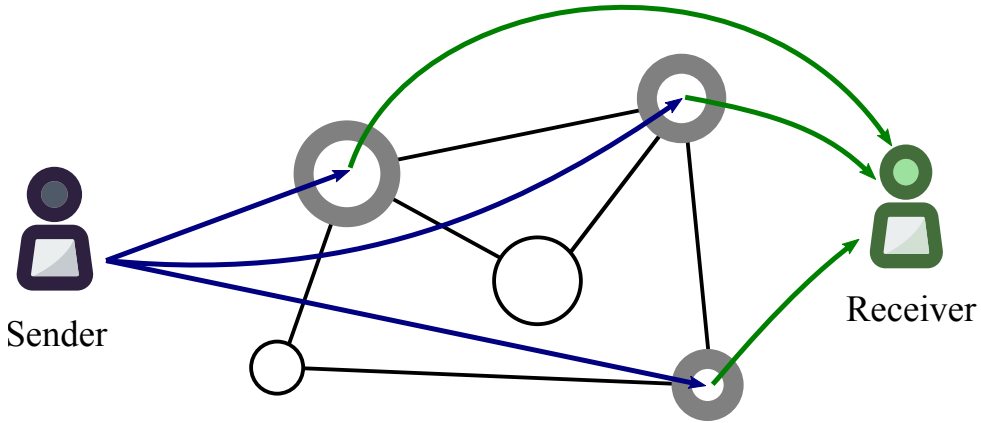
Using threshold split-key re-encryption (Umbral)



Umbral: Threshold Proxy Re-encryption

- “Umbral” is Spanish for “threshold”
- PRE properties: Unidirectional, single-hop, non-interactive
- Follows a KEM/DEM approach:
  - UmbralKEM provides the threshold re-encryption capability
  - Uses ECIES for key encapsulation with ZK proofs of correctness for verifiability on prime order curves (such as secp256k1)
  - DEM can be any authenticated encryption (currently ChaCha20-Poly1305)
- IND-PRE-CCA security
- Key splitting is analogous to Shamir Secret Sharing
- Verification of re-encryption correctness through Non-Interactive ZK Proofs
- Reference implementation: `https://github.com/nucypher/pyUmbral`
- Documentation: `https://github.com/nucypher/umbral-doc`

KMS Network: Data Sharing + Threshold PRE (Umbral)



- Collusion requires m nodes + receiver

Data Sharing Policies

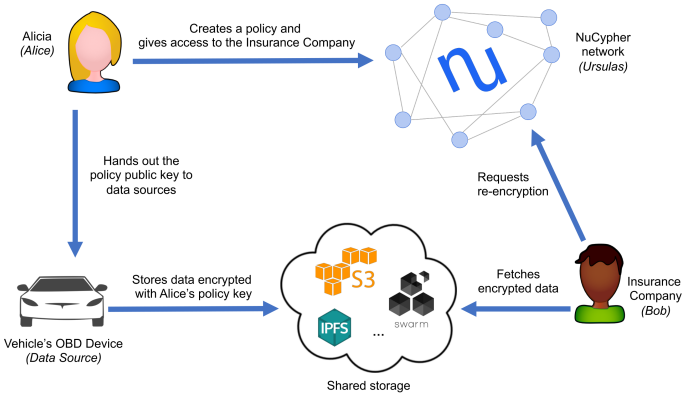
- Time-based
- Conditional on payment
  - “Grant access once paid, continue granting while paying”
- Smart contract (public) method

Decentralized re-encryption nodes (Ursulas) relied on to apply conditions without having the ability to decrypt data

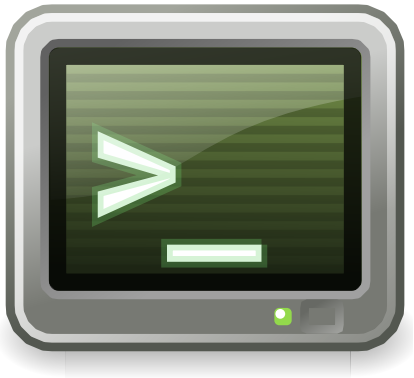
MOBI Grand Challenge

OBDX – Vehicle Onboard Diagnostics (OBD) Data Exchange

- Vehicle owner securely shares OBD data with Insurance company
- Submission: `https://devpost.com/software/obdx`
- GitHub: `https://github.com/nucypher/vehicle-data-exchange`



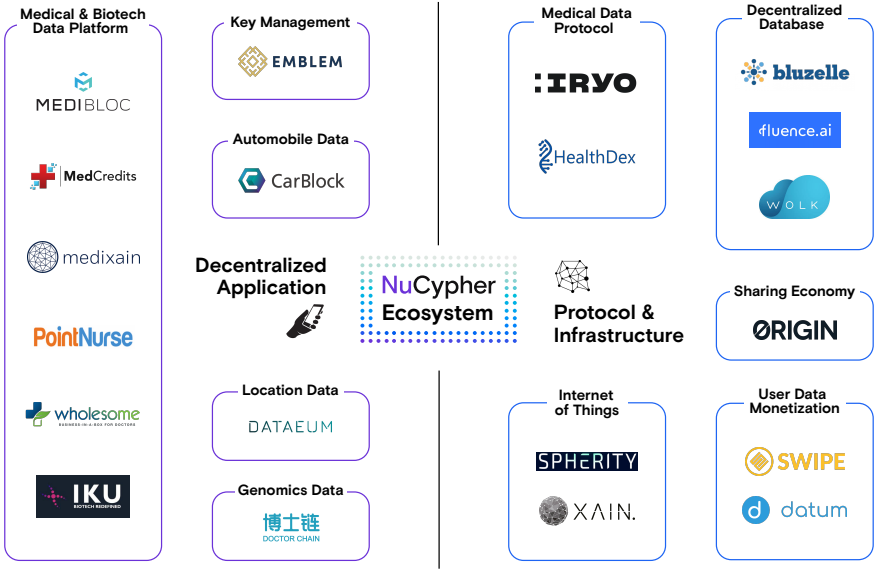
Demo



Open Questions

Proposed Vehicle Identity

Early Users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Genomics Data
博士链
DOCTOR CHAIN
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Website: https://www.nucypher.com
Whitepaper: https://www.nucypher.com/whitepapers/english.pdf
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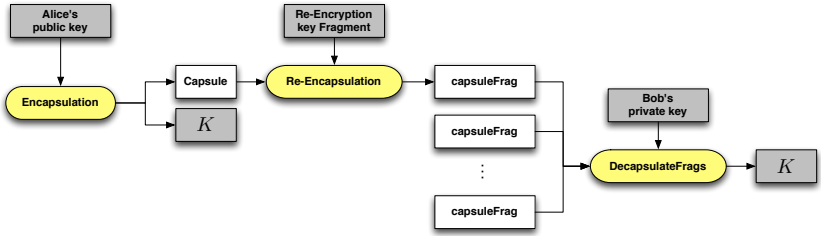
Appendix: Umbral Flow Diagram



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