

# Digital Signature

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Requirements:

1. Only you can sign
2. Tied to document
3. Any one can verify

$(sk, pk) = \text{generateKeys}(\text{keysize})$  -- Randomized

$\text{Sign} = \text{sign}(sk, \text{msg})$  -- Randomized

$\text{IsValid} = \text{verify}(pk, \text{msg}, \text{sig})$  -- Deterministic

Cannot forge a signature -- Game played by adversary

Application :

Can sign Hash pointer to secure the entire block chain

Bitcoin uses ECDSA standard

Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm

Public Key == Identity

To speak on behalf of pk we must know the matching sk.

You control identity because you know sk, if pk looks "random"  $H(pk)$  then no body knows who you are.

Decentralized Identity management -- No one in charge. These are called Address in Bit coin Jargon.

Privacy?

Not connected to real world. But observer can connect the activity over time and make inferences.