

# CYENG 312/GECE 594 :

## Trusted Operating System (OS)

### **Lecture 05**: Cryptography

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## Open Problems

- Alternatives to passwords?
  - ❑ *The secret should be easy to remember, difficult to guess, and easy to enter into the system.*
- Better ways to make user choose stronger passwords?
- Better ways to use other devices for authentication
- Effective 2-factored and/or out of band authentication for the Web
- Phishing defense

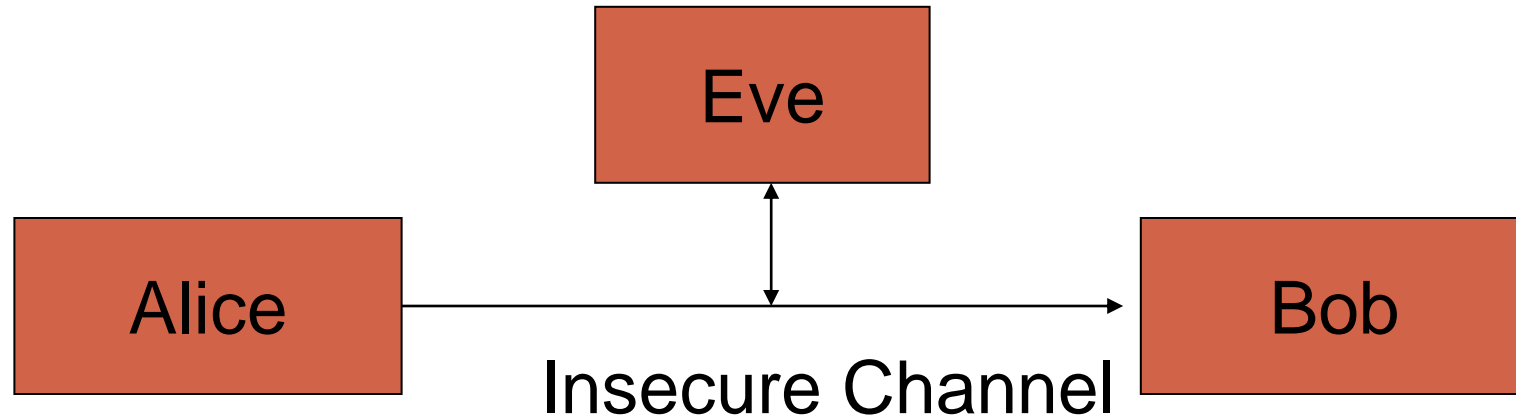


## Definitions

- Cryptography = the science (art) of encryption
- Cryptanalysis = the science (art) of breaking encryption
- Cryptology = cryptography + cryptanalysis



## Cryptography Goals



- Encryption – Prevent Eve from intercepting message
- Authentication – Prevent Eve from impersonating Alice



## Symmetric (Secret) Key

- Alice and Bob share a secret key,  $K_{ab}$
- Encryption – Plaintext message is encrypted and decrypted with  $K_{ab}$
- Authentication – Alice proves to Bob that she knows  $K_{ab}$  (e.g. a password)



## Public Key Encryption

- Bob generates 2 keys,  $K_{eb}$  and  $K_{db}$
- Bob publishes  $K_{eb}$  (public key)
- Alice encrypts:  
ciphertext  $C = E(K_{eb}, \text{plaintext } P)$
- Bob decrypts:  $P = D(K_{db}, C)$
- It must not be possible to compute  $K_{db}$  (private key) from  $K_{eb}$



## Digital Signatures

- Alice generates  $K_{ea}$  and  $K_{da}$
- Alice publishes  $K_{ea}$
- Alice signs plaintext  $P$ :  $(P, S = D(K_{da}, P))$
- Alice sends  $P, S$  to Bob
- Bob verifies that  $E(K_{ea}, S) = P$   
(since only Alice knows  $K_{da}$ )





## Combining Public Key Encryption and Authentication

- Alice encrypts with Bob's public key:

$$C = E(K_{eb}, P)$$

- Alice signs with her secret key:

$$S = D(K_{da}, C)$$

- Alice sends S, C to Bob

- Bob verifies  $E(K_{ea}, C) = C$

- Bob decrypts:  $P = D(K_{db}, C)$



# Cryptographic Attacks

- Ciphertext only: attacker has only ciphertext.
- Known plaintext: attacker has plaintext and corresponding ciphertext.
- Chosen plaintext: attacker can encrypt messages of his choosing.
- Distinguishing attack: an attacker can distinguish your cipher from an ideal cipher (random permutation).
- A cipher must be secure against all of these attacks.



## Kerckhoffs' Principle

- The security of an encryption system must depend only on the key, not on the secrecy of the algorithm.
- Nearly all proprietary encryption systems have been broken (Enigma, DeCSS, zipcrack).
- Secure systems use published algorithms (PGP, OpenSSL, Truecrypt).



## Provable Security

- There is no such thing as a provably secure system.
- Proof of unbreakable encryption does not prove the system is secure.
- The only provably secure encryption is the one time pad:  $C = P + K$ , where  $K$  is as long as  $P$  and never reused.
- Systems are believed secure only when many people try and fail to break them.

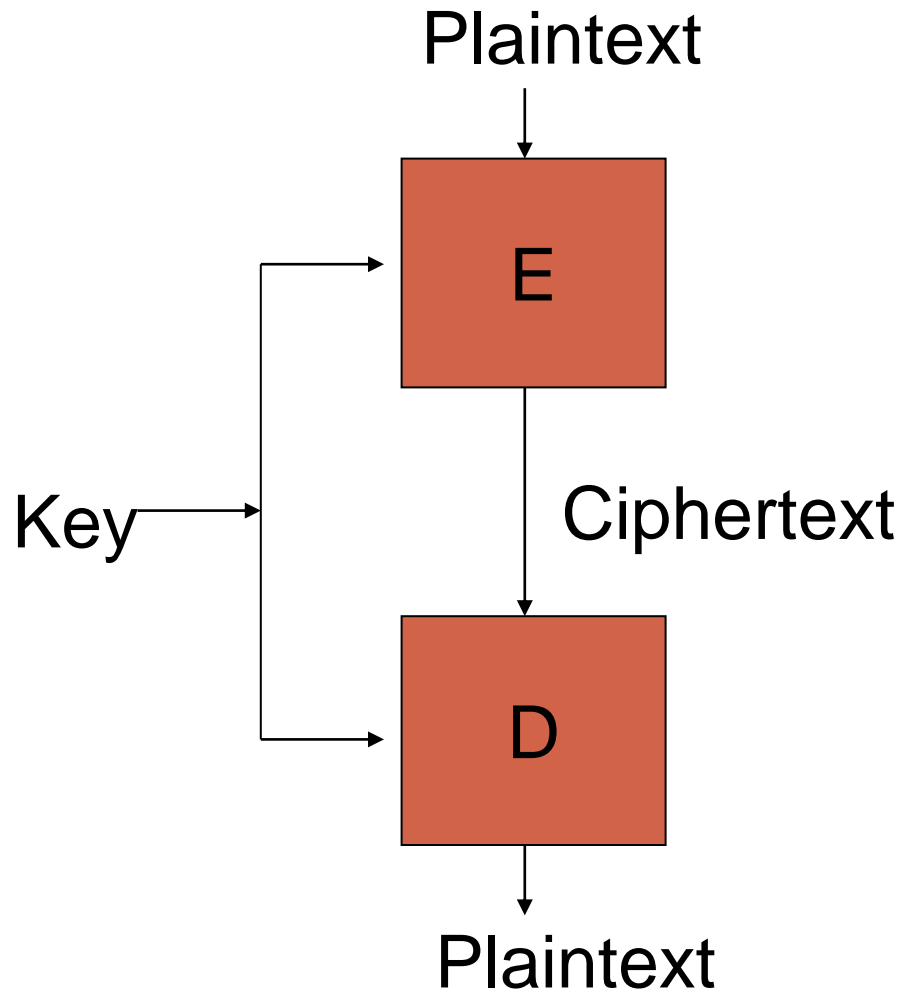


# Cryptographic Algorithms

- Block ciphers (secret/symmetric key)
- Hashes
- MAC (keyed hashes)
- Diffie-Hellman key exchange
- RSA (public key encryption and digital signature)
- ElGamal digital signature



# Block Ciphers



- AES
- DES
- 3DES
- Twofish
- Blowfish
- Serpent
- RC4
- IDEA
- Etc.



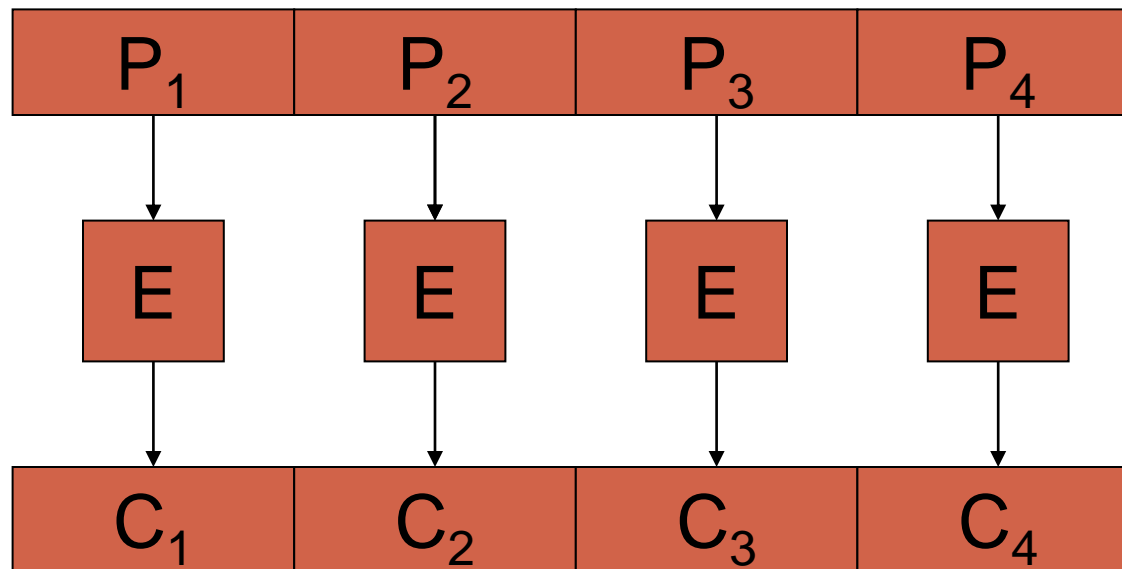
# Encryption Modes

- ECB – Electronic Code Book
- CBC – Cipher Block Chaining
- OFB – Output Feedback
- CTR – Counter



## ECB Mode

- $C_i = E(K, P_i)$
- Insecure (ciphertext blocks may repeat)

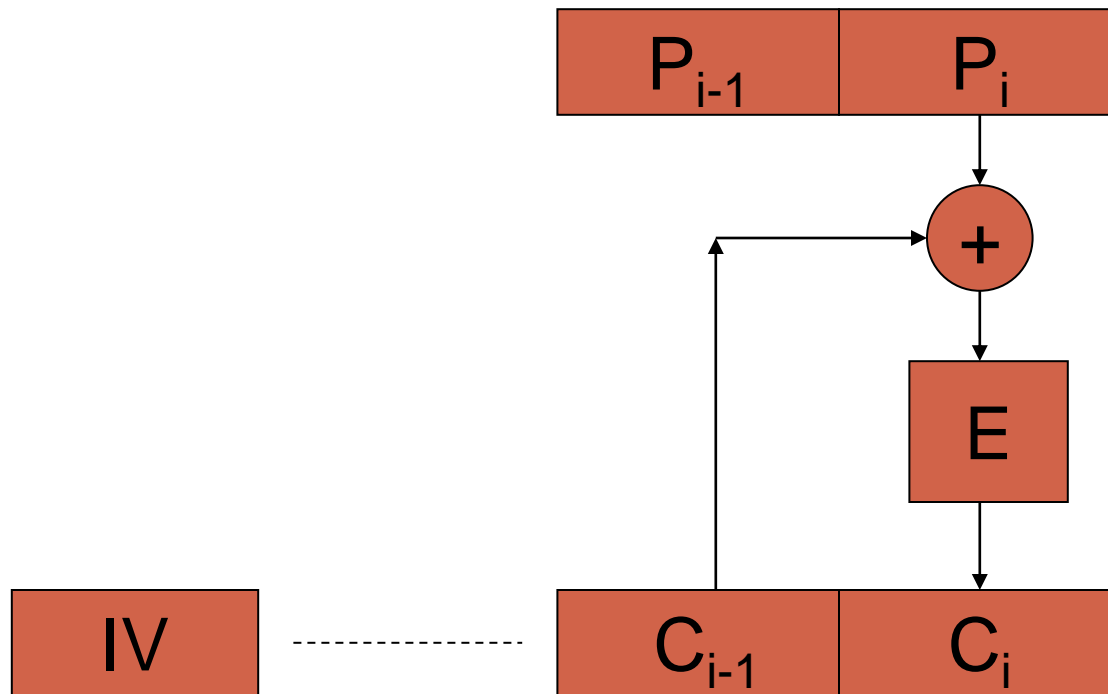






## CBC Mode

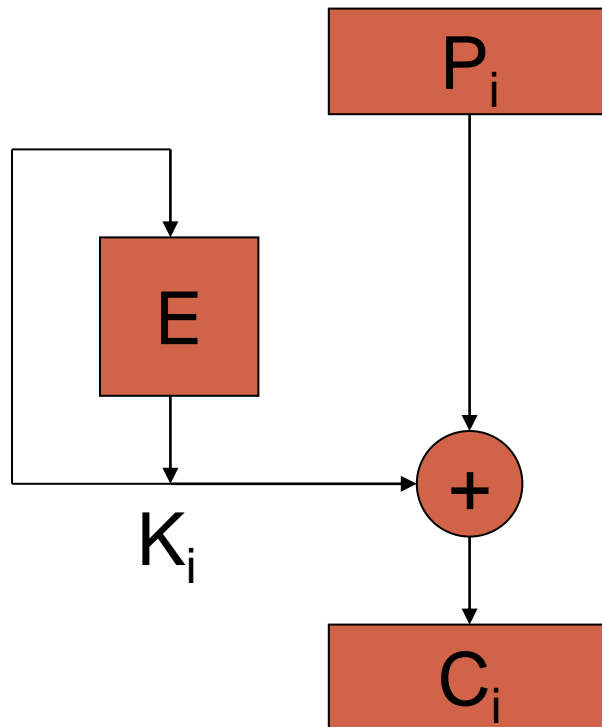
- $C_i = E(K, P_i \text{ xor } C_{i-1})$
- $C_0 = \text{IV}$  (initialization Vector) (fixed, random, counter, or nonce)
- Most popular mode





## OFB Mode

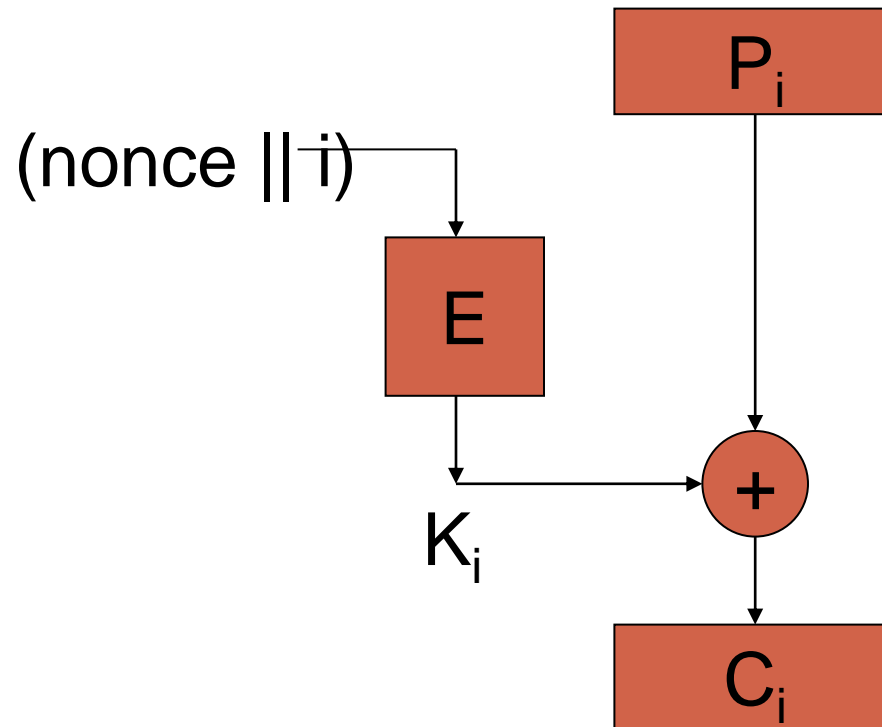
- $K_0 = IV$  (nonce = number used once)
- $K_i = E(K, K_{i-1})$
- $C_i = P_i \text{ xor } K_i$
- Not tamper resistant





## CTR Mode

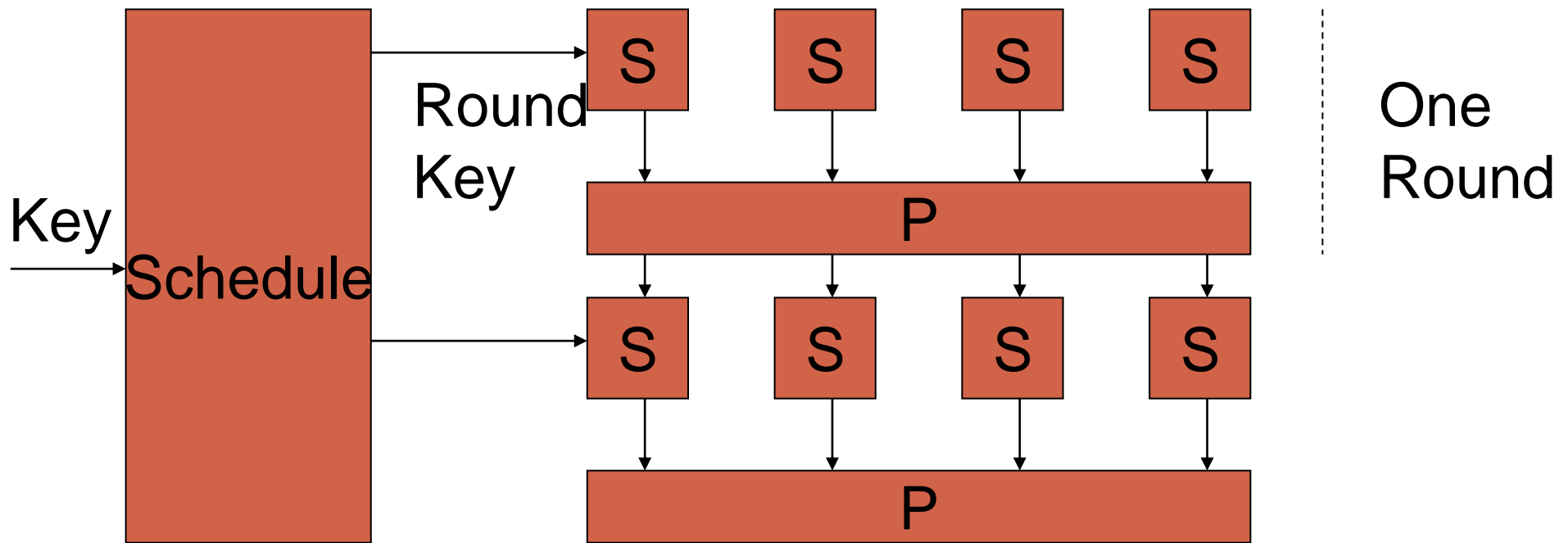
- $K_i = E(K, \text{nonce} \parallel i)$
- $C_i = P_i \text{ xor } K_i$
- Not tamper resistant





## Block Cipher Components

- S boxes – invertible lookup tables, depends on key
- P boxes – reorder bits (may also depend on key)
- Key schedule – function of key (e.g. bit selection or simple hash)





## Substitution by Itself is Weak

### CRYPTOQUIP

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Q H    U Q S T V G B    H T E I B    T

P Q U I    B H V V K    V L    E O    P I Q K

B V    H P Q H    T    E T X P H    H G S L

H P T L X B    V U I S    T L    E O    E T L K .

**Yesterday's Cryptoquip:** IF YOU HAD A LOT OF  
RUBBER SWATTING GIZMOS IN YOUR HOME,  
WOULD IT BE A NO-FLY ZONE?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: H equals T

## Permutation by Itself is Weak (Contd.)

**SCRAMLETS**

① Rearrange letters of the four scrambled words below to form four simple words.


A	I	R	T	Y
1				2

H	U	R	T	T
				3

L	O	L	J	Y
4				

R	I	C	I	N	O
5				6	

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Two politicians were trying to win the votes of senior citizens. One elderly man commented that votes can only show which way the --- blows.

④ Complete the chuckle quoted by filling in the missing words you develop from step No. 3 below.

② PRINT NUMBERED LETTERS IN THESE SQUARES	1	2	3	4	5	6
③ UNSCRAMBLE LETTERS TO GET ANSWER						

**SCRAMLETS ANSWERS 3/15/06**

Tedium – Knoll – Guild – Enmity – LONG TIME

While attending a political meeting I heard a woman tell her friend, “Making a long story short may take a LONG TIME.”

- But combining many rounds of substitution and permutation *might* build a strong cipher.

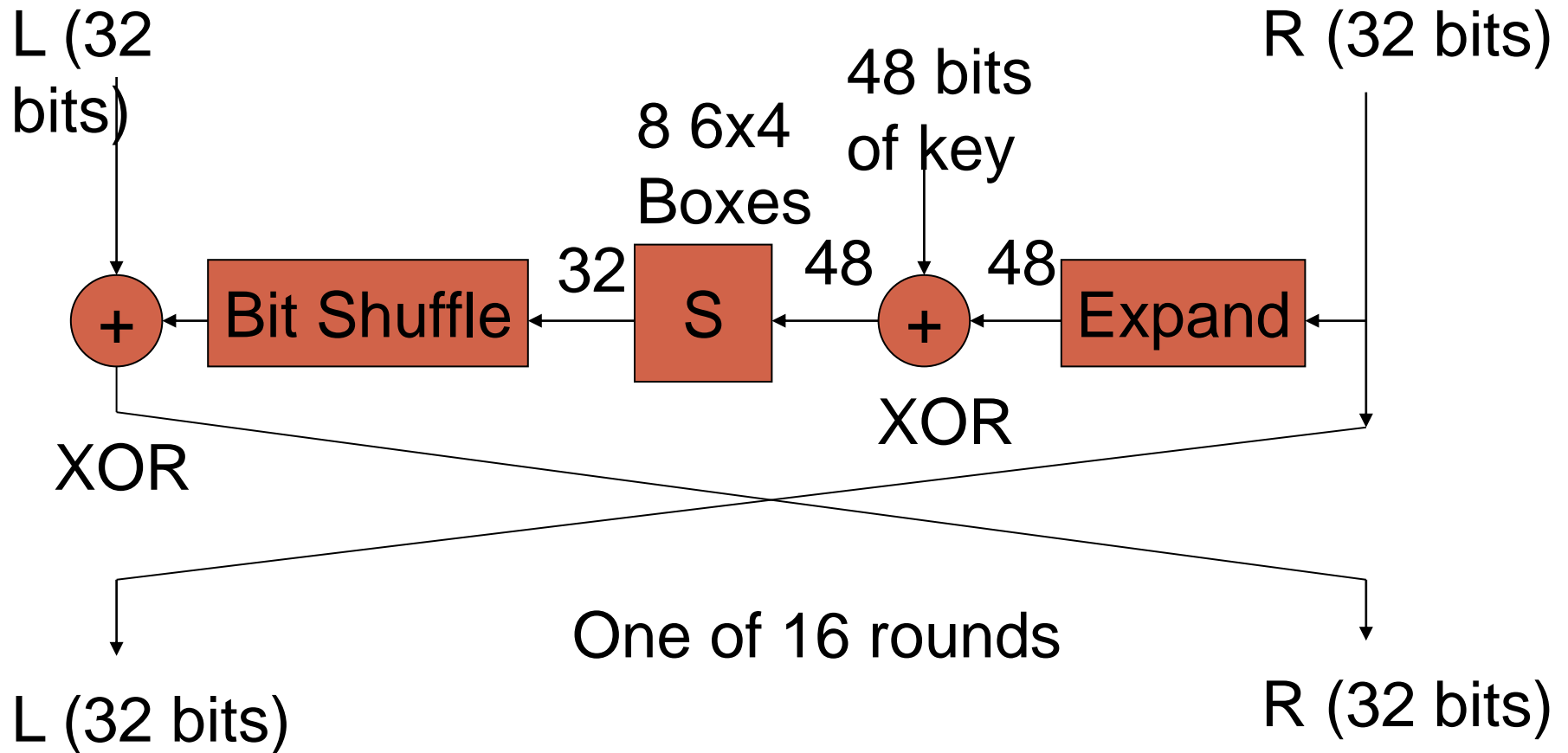


## Data Encryption Standard (DES)

- 64 bit block
- 56 bit key
- 16 round Feistel network
- Designed by NSA and IBM in 1976 for unclassified data
- Considered obsolete due to small key and block size
- 3DES increases key to 112 bits:  
$$C = E(K_1, D(K_2, E(K_1, P)))$$
- <http://www.itl.nist.gov/fipspubs/fip46-2.htm>



## DES Feistel Network







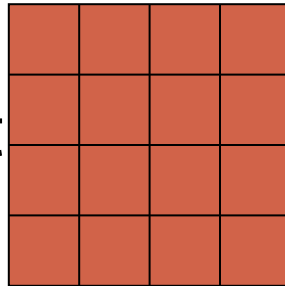
## AES - Advanced Encryption Standard (Rijndahl)

- Replaces DES
- Selected by competition by NIST in 2001
- Reviewed by NSA and approved for classified data in 2003
- 128 bit block size
- 128, 192, or 256 bit key
- 10, 12, or 14 rounds of a substitution-permutation network
- <http://www.csrc.nist.gov/publications/fips/fips197/fips-197.pdf>

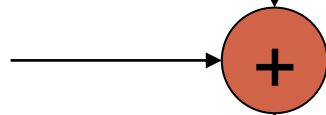


## AES Round

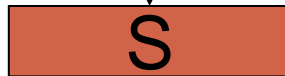
128 bit input  
(16 bytes)



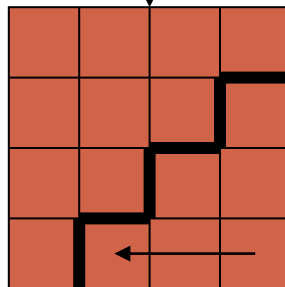
128 bit  
round  
key



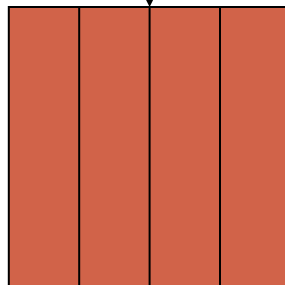
XOR



16 8x8 S boxes  
Shift  
Rows



Mix  
Columns

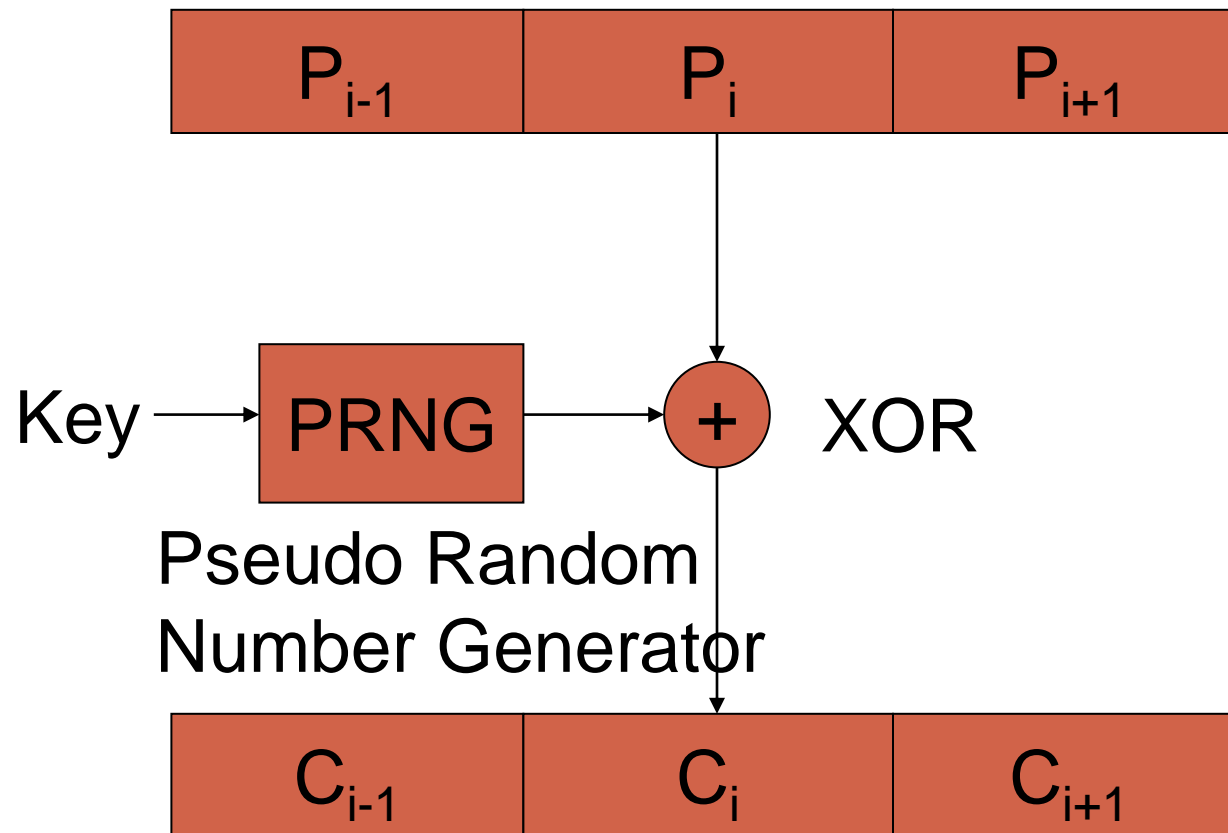


$S(i) = k \text{ xor } \text{rol}(k,4) \text{ xor } \text{rol}(k,5) \text{ xor } \text{rol}(k,6) \text{ xor } \text{rol}(k,7) \text{ xor } 0x63$ , where  $k = i^{-1}$  in  $GF(2^8)$ ,  
 $\text{rol}$  = rotate byte left

Multiply by M in  $GF(2^8)$  over polynomial  $x^8+x^4+x^3+x+1$  where  $M = \begin{matrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{matrix}$



# Stream Ciphers





# RC4 Stream Cipher

## ➤ Key Schedule

- *for i from 0 to 255*  $S[i] := i$
- $j := 0$
- *for i from 0 to 255*
  - $j := (j + S[i] + \text{key}[i \bmod \text{keylength}]) \bmod 256$
  - $\text{swap}(S[i], S[j])$

## ➤ Keystream Generation

- $i := 0, j := 0$
- *while GeneratingOutput:*
  - $i := (i + 1) \bmod 256$
  - $j := (j + S[i]) \bmod 256$
  - $\text{swap}(S[i], S[j])$
  - $\text{output } S[(S[i] + S[j]) \bmod 256]$

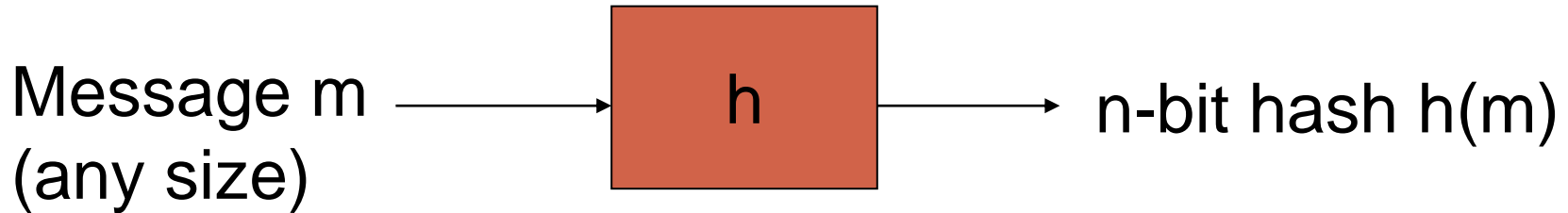


## RC4 Weaknesses

- Not tamper resistant.
  - ❑ *Solution: use a MAC.*
- XOR of ciphertexts with same key yields XOR of plaintexts.
  - ❑ *Solution: hash key with nonce.*
- Fluhrer, Mantin and Shamir Attack
  - ❑ *Initial keystream is non-random.*
  - ❑ *If key is simply concatenated with nonce, then key can be recovered.*
  - ❑ *Used to break WEP encryption used by 802.11b wireless networks.*



## Secure Hash Functions



### ➤ Goals

- ❑ *Collision resistance: it takes  $2^{n/2}$  work to find any  $m_1, m_2$  such that  $h(m_1) = h(m_2)$ .*
- ❑ *First preimage resistance: given  $h(m)$  it takes  $2^n$  work to find  $m$ .*
- ❑ *Second preimage resistance: given  $m_1$  it takes  $2^n$  work to find  $m_2$  such that  $h(m_1) = h(m_2)$ .*



## Hash Applications

- Faster digital signatures: Alice signs  $h(P)$  instead of  $P$ .
- Password verification (e.g. UNIX) without storing passwords.
- Strong pseudo-random number generation.
- Message Authentication Code (MAC).



## Hash Examples

❑ *MD2, MD4, MD5 – 128 bits (broken, <http://eprint.iacr.org/2004/199.pdf>  
<http://eprint.iacr.org/2006/105.pdf>)*

❑ *SHA-1 – 160 bits*

❑ *SHA-256, 384, 512 bits*

*<http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/fips/fips180-2/fips180-2.pdf>*

❑ *Whirlpool – 512 bits*

❑ *Tiger – 192 bits*

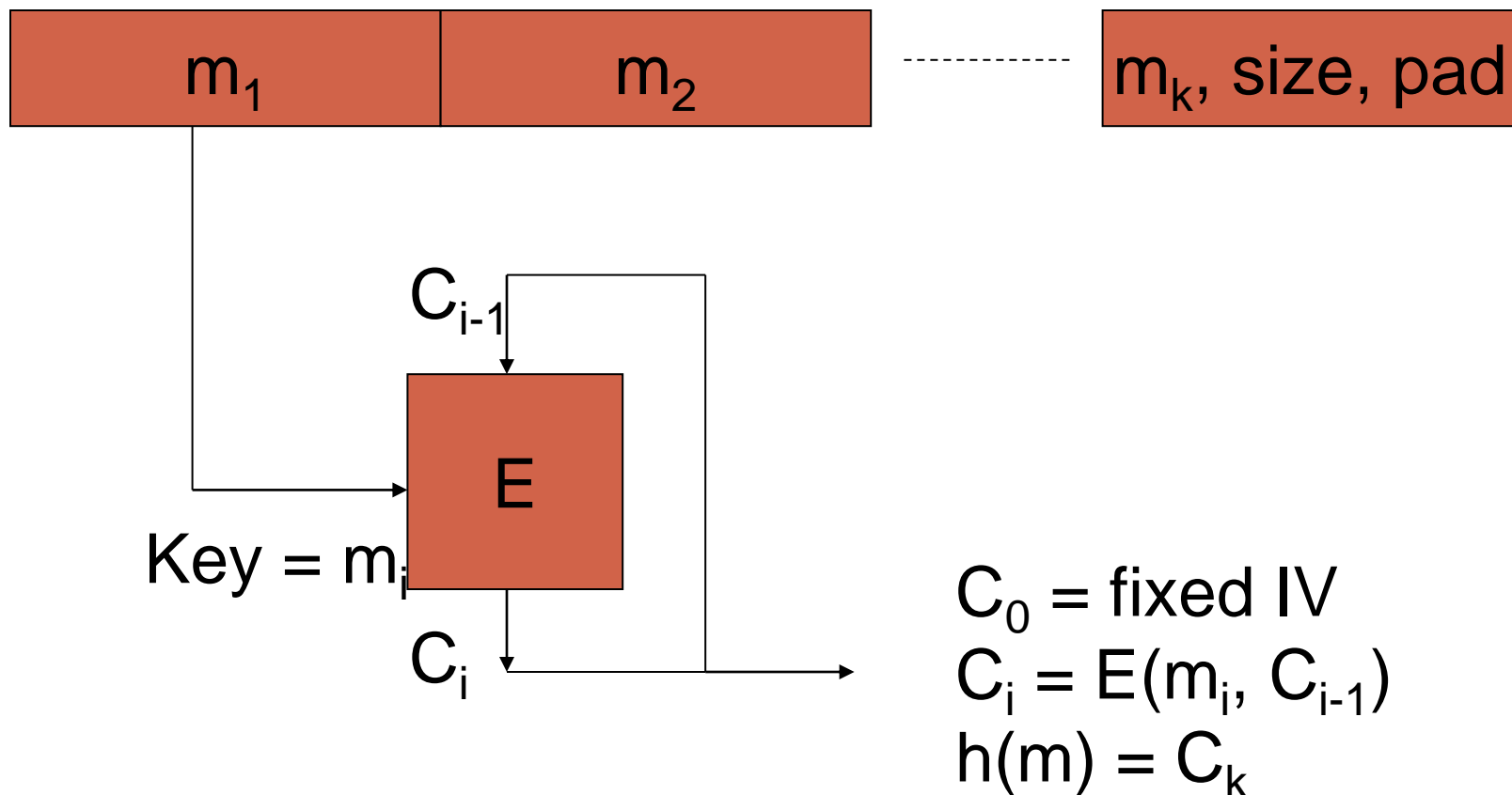
➤ **Many proposed hashes have been broken.**

<http://paginas.terra.com.br/informatica/paulobarreto/hflounge.html>



## Hash Construction from a Block Cipher

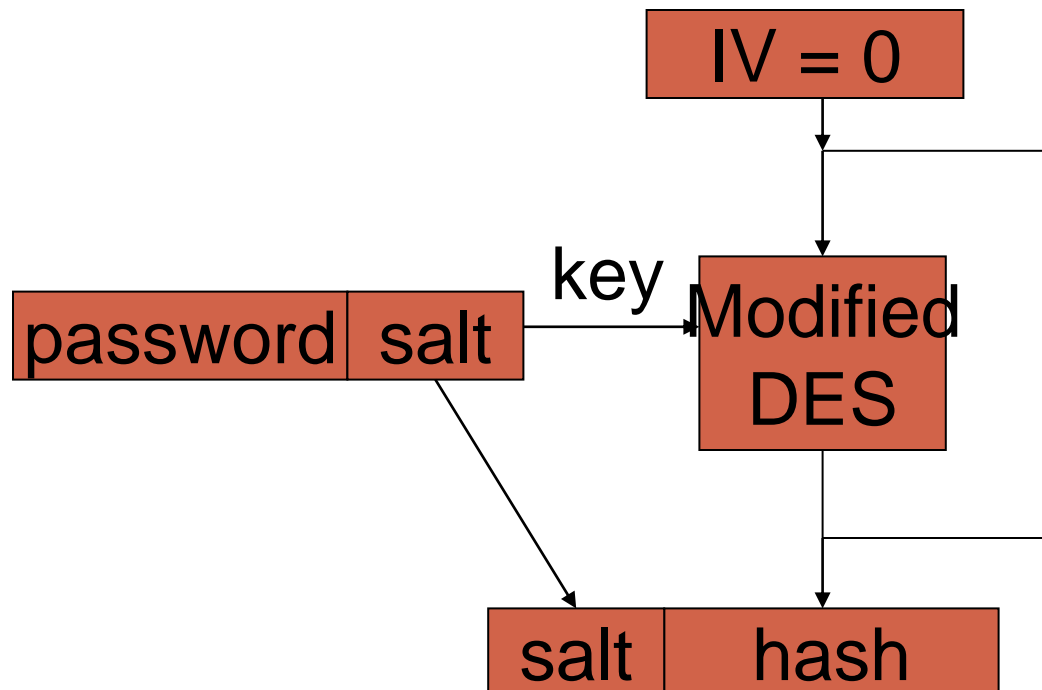
- Whirlpool uses a cipher called W, based on AES but with a 512 bit block and 512 bit key.





## UNIX Password Hash

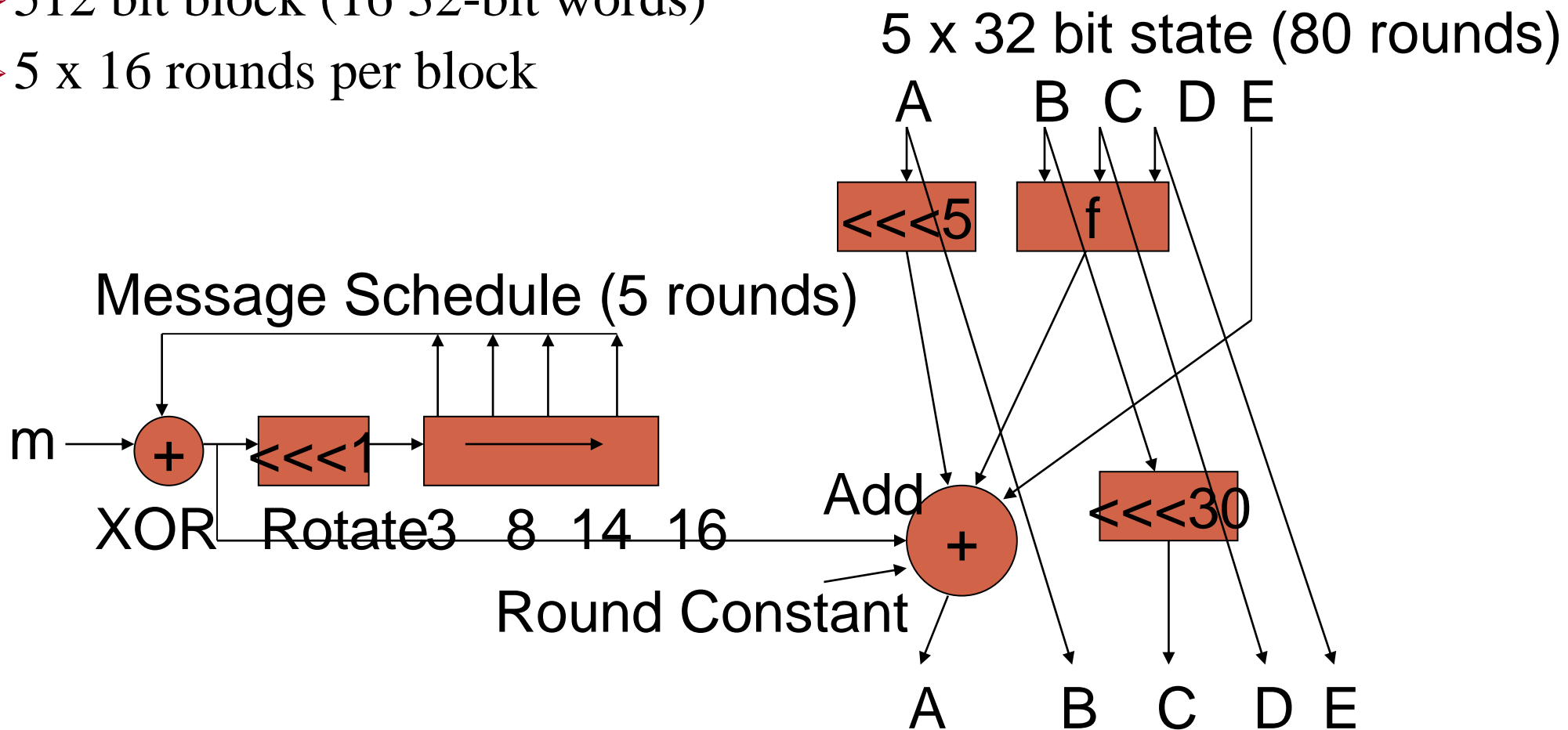
- Hash is stored in /etc/passwd (public) or /etc/shadow (readable by root)
- 8 byte ASCII password is used as 56-bit key to modified DES
- Iterated thousands of times to slow down brute force guessing
- 12 bit salt used to thwart table lookup and detection of reused passwords
- DES modified to thwart hardware acceleration
- Newer systems now use MD5 to overcome password length limit





## SHA-1 (RFC 3184)

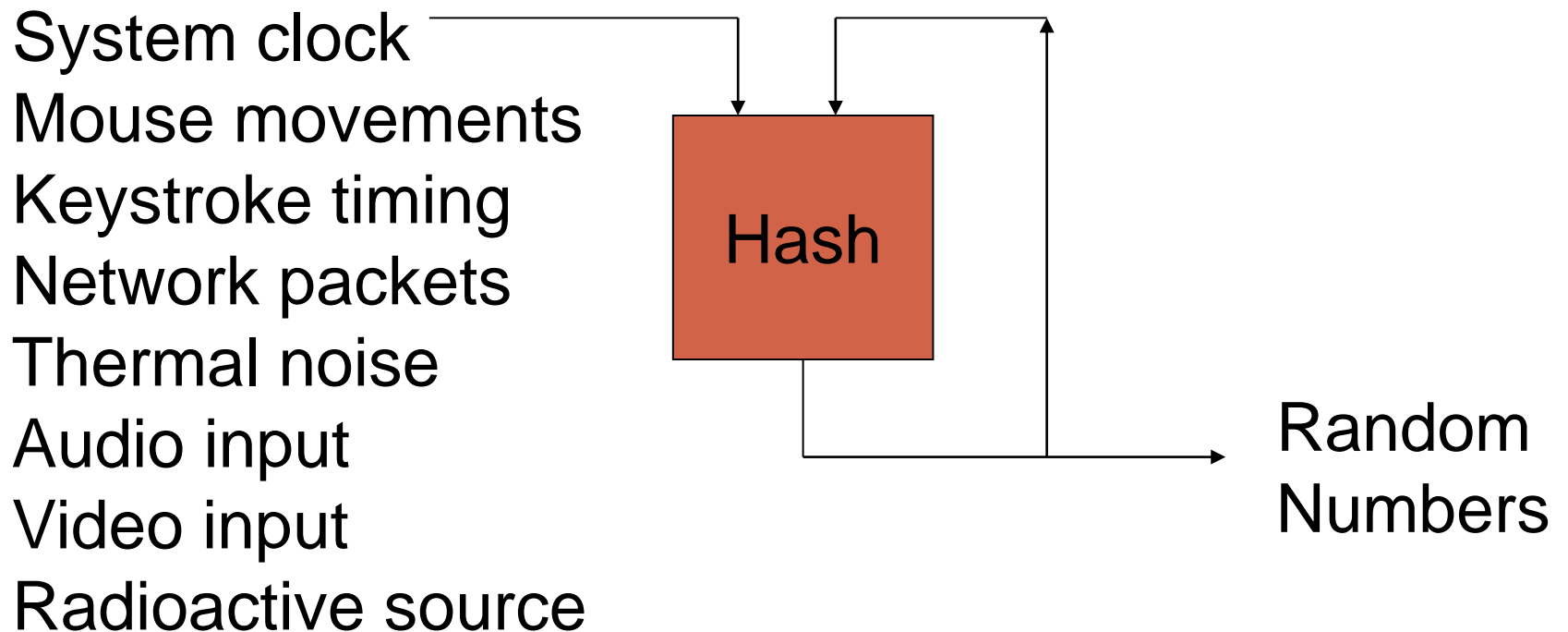
- 160 bit hash
- 512 bit block (16 32-bit words)
- 5 x 16 rounds per block





## Random Number Generation

- Random = not guessable by an attacker.
- Requires a hardware source of entropy.





## Message Authentication Code (MAC)

- $\text{HMAC}(K, m) =$   
 $h(K \text{ xor } 0x5c5c\dots \parallel h(K \text{ xor } 0x3c3c\dots \parallel m))$ 
  - ❑  $h = \text{SHA-1 or MD5}$
  - ❑  $K = \text{key}$
  - ❑  $m = \text{message}$
- Can only be computed if you know  $K$ .
- FIPS Pub 198



## Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- DH allows Alice and Bob to agree on a key over an insecure channel.
  - ❑ *Let  $p$  be a large prime number (2K-4K bits)*
  - ❑ *Let  $g$  be a generator of  $Z_p^*$* 
    - $g$  is a generator iff for all  $0 < x \neq y < p$ ,  $g^x \neq g^y \pmod{p}$ .
  - ❑ *Alice chooses random  $x$ ,  $1 < x < p-1$ , and sends  $g^x \pmod{p}$  to Bob.*
  - ❑ *Bob chooses random  $y$ ,  $1 < y < p-1$ , and sends  $g^y \pmod{p}$  to Alice.*
  - ❑ *Alice and Bob use  $K = (g^x)^y = (g^y)^x = g^{xy}$*
  - ❑ *Eve cannot compute  $g^{xy}$  from  $p$ ,  $g$ ,  $g^x$  and  $g^y$ .*
    - Computing  $x$  from  $g^x \pmod{p}$  (discrete logarithm problem) is believed (but not *proven*) to be hard.



## DH Man in the Middle Attack



- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Eve:  $g^x$  (intercepts message to Bob)
- Eve  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $g^v$  (pretends to be Alice)
- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Eve:  $g^y$  (intercepts message to Alice)
- Eve  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $g^w$  (pretends to be Bob)
- Eve now knows Alice's key  $g^{xw}$  and Bob's key  $g^{yv}$



# RSA Public Key Cryptography

- Originally discovered by GCHQ in 1973 but kept secret.
- RSA = Rivest, Shamir, Adelman, published 1978.
- Patented in 1983, expired in 2000.
- Alice chooses:
  - ❑ *two random primes,  $p$  and  $q$ , 1K-2K bits each,*
  - ❑  *$n = pq$ ,*
  - ❑  *$t = \text{lcm}(p-1, q-1)$ ,*
  - ❑  *$e$  and  $d$ , such that  $ed = 1 \pmod{t}$  (usually  $e$  is a small odd number),*
  - ❑ *Alice's public key is  $(n, e)$  and private key is  $(p, q, t, d)$ .*
- Bob encrypts:  $C = P^e \pmod{n}$
- Alice decrypts:  $P = C^d \pmod{n}$





## Security of RSA

- Computing  $P$  from  $P^e \pmod{n}$  is believed to be hard (discrete logarithm).
- Computing  $d$  from  $e$  and  $n$  is believed to be hard (requires factoring  $n$  to find  $p, q$ ).
- Neither problem has been *proven* to be hard.
- Numbers up to 663 bits have been factored.
- A theoretical attack exists using a quantum computer.
  - ❑ *Shor's algorithm solves both the discrete logarithm and factoring.*



## RSA Considerations

### ➤ Small message/exponent attack

- ❑ *If  $m^e < n$ , then  $m$  is easy to find.*
- ❑  *$m$  should be padded with random data.*

### ➤ Factoring

- ❑ *If  $p$  and  $q$  have only small factors, then  $n$  is easy to factor.*
- ❑ *If  $p$  is close to  $q$  then  $n$  is easy to factor.*



## RSA Man in the Middle Attack

- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Eve: my public key is  $(n_b, e_b)$
- Eve  $\rightarrow$  Alice: my public key is  $(n_e, e_e)$  (pretending to be Bob)



Eve deciphers  $P$  and  
encrypts with  $n_b, e_b$



# ElGamal Signature Algorithm

## ➤ Key Generation

- ❑  $p = a \text{ large prime (at least 1K bits)}$
- ❑  $g = a \text{ generator of } \mathbb{Z}_p^* \text{ (} g^i \text{ mod } p \text{ generates all values from 1 to } p-1 \text{)}$
- ❑  $x = \text{secret key, } 1 < x < p-1$
- ❑  $y = g^x \text{ (mod } p \text{), public key}$

## ➤ To sign message $m$

- ❑ Choose random  $k$ ,  $0 < k < p-1$ ,  $\gcd(k, p-1)=1$
- ❑  $r = g^k \text{ (mod } p \text{)}$
- ❑  $s = (h(m) - xr)k^{-1} \text{ (mod } p-1 \text{), } s > 0$ ,  $h = \text{hash function}$
- ❑ Signature is  $(r,s)$

## ➤ To verify

- ❑  $0 < r < p$ ,  $0 < s < p-1$  ?
- ❑  $g^{h(m)} = y^r r^s \text{ (mod } p \text{)} ?$

## ➤ Forgery requires finding $x$ (discrete log) or finding a hash collision.

## ➤ Reusing $k$ allows an attacker to find $x$ . $p$ and $g$ may be reused.



## Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA)

- Avoids RSA patent
- Defined in FIPS 182-2
- ElGamal signature is twice size of  $p$
- DSA reduces signature to 320 bits ( $\text{mod } q < p$ )
- Parameters:
  - ❑  $p = 1024 \text{ bit prime}$
  - ❑  $q = 160 \text{ bit prime, } qz + 1 = p \text{ for some integer } z$
  - ❑  $h = \text{SHA-1}$
- FIPS 182-3 proposes larger primes and hashes



# DSA

## ➤ Key Generation

- ❑  $g = \text{generator in } Z_p^*$  (choose  $h$ :  $g = h^z > 1 \pmod{p}$ )
- ❑  $x = \text{randomly chosen secret key}$
- ❑  $y = g^x \pmod{p}$
- ❑ Public key is  $(p, q, g, y)$ , private key is  $x$

## ➤ Signing $m$ :

- ❑ Choose random secret  $k$ ,  $0 < k < q$
- ❑  $r = (g^k \pmod{p}) \pmod{q}$ ,  $r > 0$
- ❑  $s = (h(m) + xr)k^{-1} \pmod{q}$ ,  $s > 0$

## ➤ Verifying

- ❑  $0 < r < q$ ,  $0 < s < q$  ?
- ❑  $u_1 = h(m)s^{-1} \pmod{q}$
- ❑  $u_2 = rs^{-1} \pmod{q}$
- ❑  $r = (g^{u_1}y^{u_2} \pmod{p}) \pmod{q}$  ?

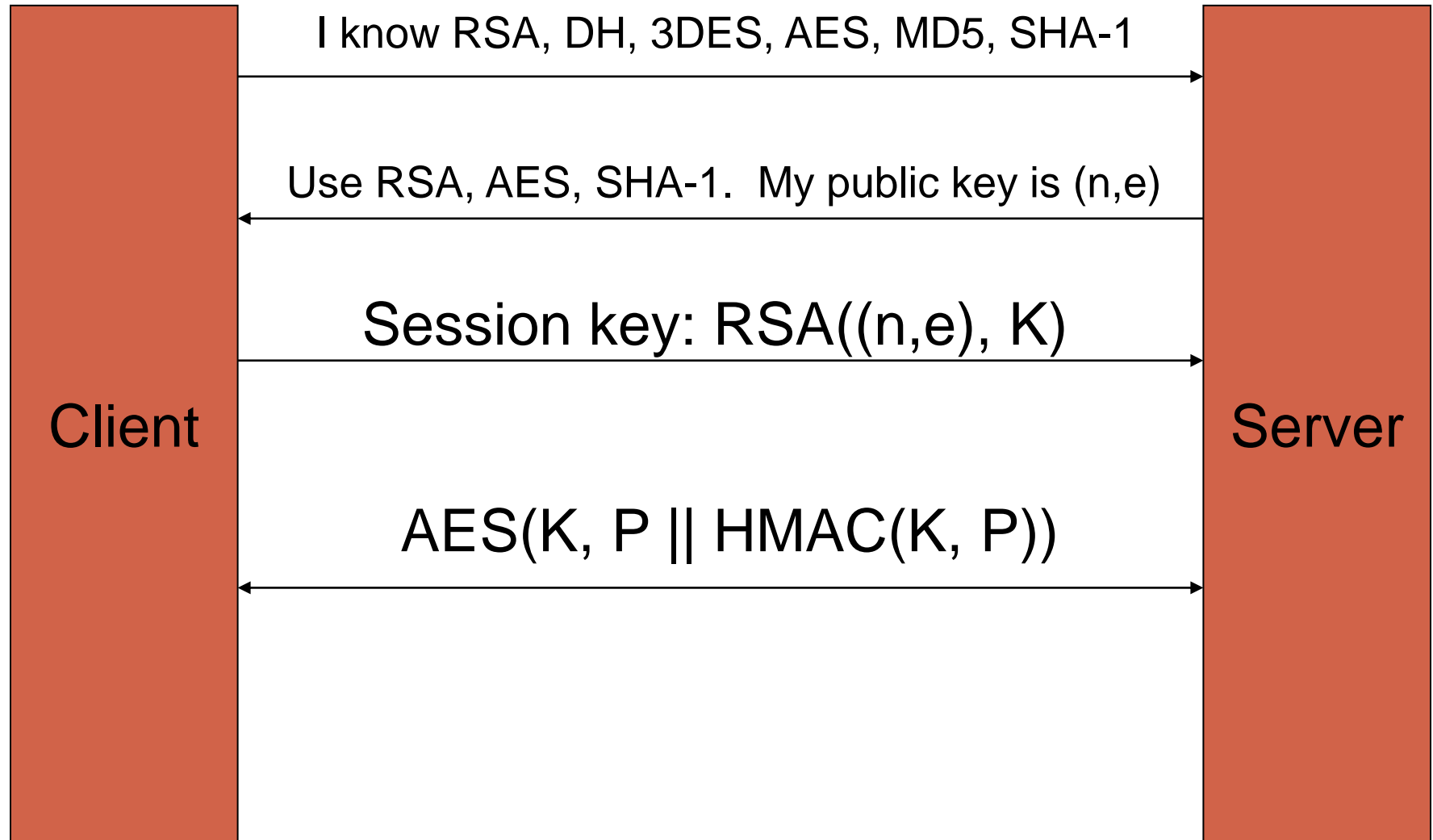


## Secure Sockets Layer (SSL)

- https protocol (secure channel)
- Version 3.0 developed by Netscape in 1996
- Also known as TLS 1.0 (Transport Layer Security)
- Supports many algorithms
  - ❑ *Public Key: RSA, DH, DSA*
  - ❑ *Symmetric Key: RC2, RC4, IDEA, DES, 3DES, AES*
  - ❑ *Hashes: MD5, SHA*
- Public keys are signed by CA (Certificate Authority) using X.509 certificates.



## SSL Example

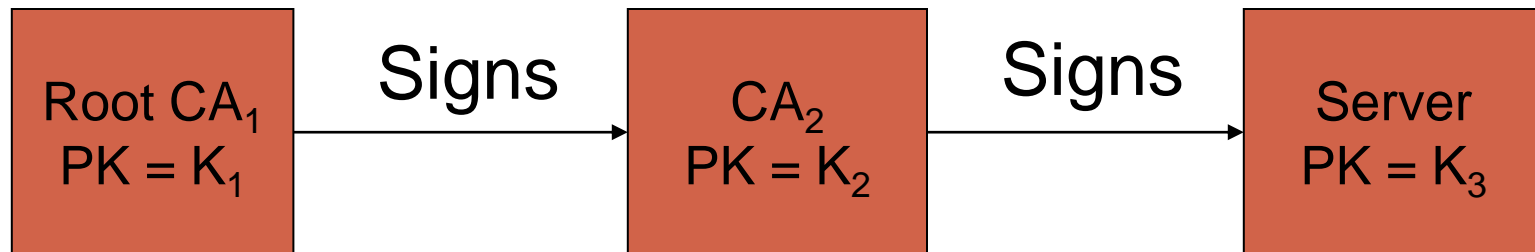






## X.509 Certificates

- Goal: prevent man in the middle attacks.
- Binds public keys to servers (or clients).
- Signed by a “trusted” certificate authority (CA).
- Chains to a root CA.





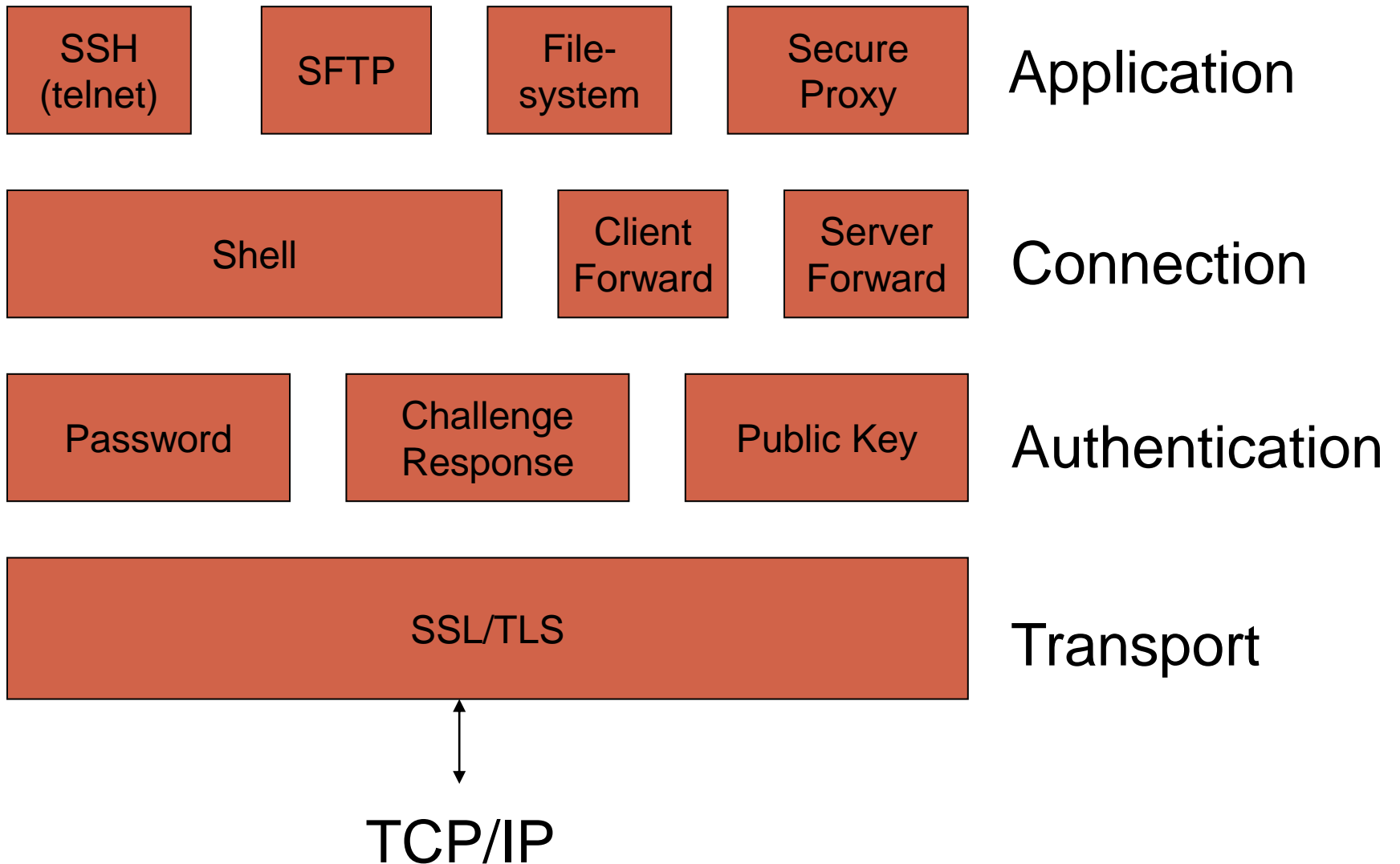
## X.509 Weaknesses

- Not well understood by users (which CA's do you trust?)
- CA private key could be leaked.
- Certificates using MD5 can be forged.

<http://www.win.tue.nl/~bdeweger/CollidingCertificates/>



# SSH Layered Architecture





# Mathematics of Cryptography

- Groups  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$
- Algorithms for Modular Arithmetic
  - ❑ *gcd*
  - ❑ *Extended Euclid (inverse mod  $p$ )*
  - ❑ *Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT)*
  - ❑ *Exponentiation*
  - ❑ *Rabin-Miller prime testing*
- Fields  $\text{GF}(p^n)$



# Groups

- A set  $G$  and a binary operation  $+$  that is:
  - ❑ *Closed: If  $a$  and  $b$  are in  $G$  then  $a + b$  is in  $G$ .*
  - ❑ *Associative:  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$ .*
  - ❑ *An identity element  $0$ :  $a + 0 = 0 + a = a$ .*
  - ❑ *Inverses:  $-a + a = a + -a = 0$ .*
- Examples:
  - ❑ *Integers under addition.*
  - ❑ *Reals except  $0$  under multiplication.*
  - ❑ *Right multiplication of nonsingular matrices.*



## Modular Groups

- $Z_n = (\{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}, + \bmod n), n > 0$ 
  - ❑ *Additive group of order (size)  $n$ .*
  - ❑ *Identity element is  $0$ .*
  - ❑ *Inverse of  $a$  is  $-a \bmod n$ .*
- $Z_p^* = (\{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}, \times \bmod p), p \text{ prime.}$ 
  - ❑ *Multiplicative group of order  $p - 1$ .*
  - ❑ *Identity element is  $1$ .*
  - ❑ *Inverses can be found using extended Euclid's algorithm.*



## Euclid's GCD Algorithm

- Greatest Common Divisor of  $a, b \geq 0$
- $\text{gcd}(a, b) =$ 
  - *while* ( $a \neq 0$ ) *do*
    - $(a, b) = (b \bmod a, a)$
  - *return*  $b$
- $\text{lcm}(a, b) = ab / \text{gcd}(ab)$
- If  $\text{gcd}(a, b) = 1$  then we say  $a$  and  $b$  are *relatively prime*.



## Extended Euclid's Algorithm

- Finds  $a^{-1}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$
- ExtendedGCD( $a, p$ ) =
  - $u := 1, v := 0$
  - *while* ( $a \neq 0$ ) *do*
    - $q := \lfloor p/a \rfloor$
    - $(a, p) := (p - qa, a)$
    - $(u, v) := (v - qu, u)$
  - *return*  $a^{-1} = v$





## Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT)

- CRT:  $(x \bmod p, x \bmod q)$  uniquely represents  $x$  in  $Z_{pq}$ ,  $p, q$  prime.
- Given  $a = x \bmod p$ ,  $b = x \bmod q$ , Garner's formula finds  $x$ :  
$$\square x = (((a - b)(q^{-1} \bmod p)) \bmod p)q + b \bmod q$$
- Can be extended to any number of prime modulus.



## Efficient Exponentiation

- Compute by repeated squaring
- $a^x \bmod n$ :
  - ❑ if  $x = 0$  return 1
  - ❑ else if  $x = 1$  return  $a$
  - ❑ else if  $x$  is even return  $a^{x/2} a^{x/2} \pmod n$
  - ❑ else  $x$  is odd, return  $a a^{x-1} \pmod n$



## Fermat's Little Theorem

➤ If  $p$  is prime,  $a > 0$ , then  $a^{p-1} = 1 \pmod{p}$ .



## Subgroups

- A subgroup is a subset of a group that is also a group.
- The order of a subgroup of  $Z_p^*$  divides  $p - 1$ .
- Example:  $(\{1, 2, 4\}, x \bmod 7)$  is a subgroup of  $Z_7^*$ .
  - *This subgroup has order 3, which divides  $7 - 1$ .*



## Generators

- $g$  is a generator of  $G$  if powers of  $g$  generate all elements of  $G$ .
- For all  $g$  in  $Z_p^*$ ,  $g$  generates either  $Z_p^*$  or a subgroup.
- Therefore  $g$  is a generator of  $Z_p^*$  iff for all factors  $f < p - 1$  of  $p - 1$ ,  $g^f \neq 1 \pmod{p}$ .



## Fermat Test for Primes

- Testing by factoring is not possible for large primes.
- Test is probabilistic.
  - ❑ *Can only prove a number is composite.*
  - ❑ *Error can be made arbitrarily small.*
- Uses Fermat's little theorem.
  - ❑ *If  $a^{n-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  then  $n$  is composite.*
  - ❑ *If  $n$  is composite, then  $a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  for at most  $1/4$  of  $a$ ,  $0 < a < n$ .*
  - ❑ *If  $a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  for many  $a$ , then  $n$  is probably prime.*



## Rabin-Miller Test for Primes

- Optimizes Fermat test to reduce number of modular multiplications:
- Write  $n$  as  $2^t s + 1$ ,  $s$  odd
- Repeat 64 times
  - ❑ *Pick random  $a$ ,  $1 < a < n$*
  - ❑  *$v = a^s \bmod n$  (slow step)*
  - ❑ *While  $t > 0$  and  $v \neq 1$  and  $v \neq -1$  do*
    - $v = v^2 \bmod n$
    - $t := t - 1$
  - ❑ *If ( $v \neq 1$  and  $v \neq -1$ ) or ( $t = 0$  and  $v \neq 1$ ) then return  $n$  is composite*
- Return  $n$  is prime with probability  $1 - 2^{-128}$



## Fields

- A field is a set  $G$  and *two* operators,  $+$  and  $\times$ .
- $(G, +)$  is a group with identity  $0$ .
- $(G \setminus \{0\}, \times)$  is a group with identity  $1$ .
- Distributive:  $a(b + c) = ab + ac$ .
- Examples
  - ❑ *Real numbers over  $+$  and  $\times$ .*
  - ❑ *Polynomials over  $GF(p^n)$*





## Galois Fields

- $\text{GF}(p^n)$ ,  $p$  prime
- Set is  $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}^n$ , vector of  $n$  polynomial coefficients
- $+$  is polynomial addition mod  $p$ .
- $\times$  is polynomial multiplication mod  $p$  mod an irreducible polynomial.
  - *A polynomial is irreducible if it has no factors but 1 and itself.*



## GF(2<sup>8</sup>) (from AES S-boxes)

- Elements are bytes.
  - ❑ *e.g.  $0x63 = 01100011 = x^6 + x^5 + x + 1$ .*
- Addition is mod 2 (xor).
- Multiplication is reduced over  $x_8 + x_4 + x_3 + x + 1$ .
  - ❑ *Multiply by shift and xor to 15 bits.*
  - ❑ *xor with shifted reduction polynomial  $100011011$  to cancel high bits.*
- AES uses GF(2<sup>8</sup>) to resist certain differential attacks.



## Summary

- Cryptography is hard, why?
  - ❑ *Security can not be proven.*
  - ❑ *Even expertly designed systems have weaknesses.*
  - ❑ *Designing your own encryption algorithm would be foolish.*
- Cryptography is not the best answer. Why?
  - ❑ *Most attacks do not involve breaking encryption.*
- Prevent, Detect, Recover?
  - ❑ *Cryptography is only for prevention.*



## Further Reading

- Practical Cryptography, Ferguson & Schneier
  - ❑ *A practical approach to building secure systems.*
- Cryptography, Theory and Practice, Stinson
  - ❑ *Mathematics of cryptography and cryptanalysis.*
- Handbook of Applied Cryptography
  - ❑ *Free online reference, very theoretical.*
- Wikipedia
- sci.crypt



Questions?