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# Week 5 - Problem Set

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1. Consider the toy key exchange protocol using an online trusted 3rd party

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(TTP) discussed in [Lecture 9.1](#). Suppose Alice, Bob, and Carol are three

users of this system (among many others) and each have a secret key

with the TTP denoted  $k_a, k_b, k_c$  respectively. They wish to

generate a group session key  $k_{ABC}$  that will be known to Alice,

Bob, and Carol but unknown to an eavesdropper. How

would you modify the protocol in the lecture to accommodate a group key

exchange of this type? (note that all these protocols are insecure against

active attacks)

☐ Alice contacts the TTP. TTP generates a random  $k_{ABC}$  and sends to Alice

$$E(k_a, k_{ABC}), \quad \text{ticket}_1 \leftarrow E(k_b, k_{ABC}), \quad \text{ticket}_2 \leftarrow E(k_c, k_{ABC}).$$

Alice sends  $k_{ABC}$  to Bob and  $k_{ABC}$  to Carol.

☒ Alice contacts the TTP. TTP generates random  $k_{ABC}$  and sends to Alice

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