

Cryptography

Public Key Cryptography

(“Asymmetric Encryption Systems”)

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Introduction to Public Key Cryptography

This Video Covers:

- Overview of Public-Key Cryptography
- Overview of where we are going this week

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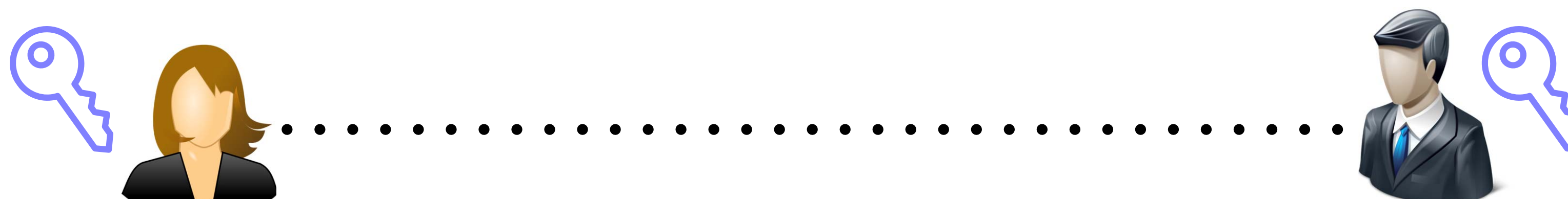
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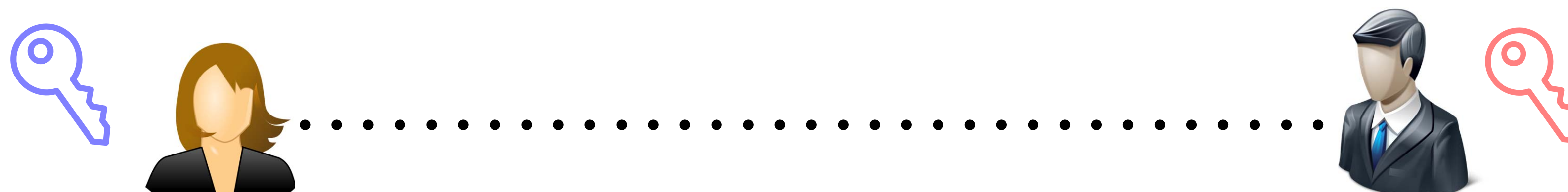
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- Public key (for *encryption*) and Private key (for *decryption*)
- Private key (to create *digital signature*) and Public key (to *verify signature*)

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A Brief History Lesson

- Historically same key was used for encryption and decryption
- **Challenge:** exchanging the secret key (e.g. face-to-face meeting)
- 1976: Whitfield Diffie and Martin Hellman
 - DH key exchange protocol
 - proposed a new public-key cryptosystem
- 1978: Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir, and Leonard Adleman (all from MIT)
 - attempted to develop a public-key cryptosystem
 - created RSA algorithm



Outline

- Public-key algorithms
 - Diffie-Hellman key exchange
 - RSA algorithm
 - Digital signatures
- Public-key crypto & Python
- Applications
 - Authentication
 - HTTPS and TLS/SSL
 - Chip Technology Used in Credit Cards

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

This Video Covers:

- The DH key exchange protocol
- How to exchange (symmetric) keys

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange *(High-Level)*

Allows communicating parties with *no prior knowledge* to
exchange shared secret keys over an insecure channel

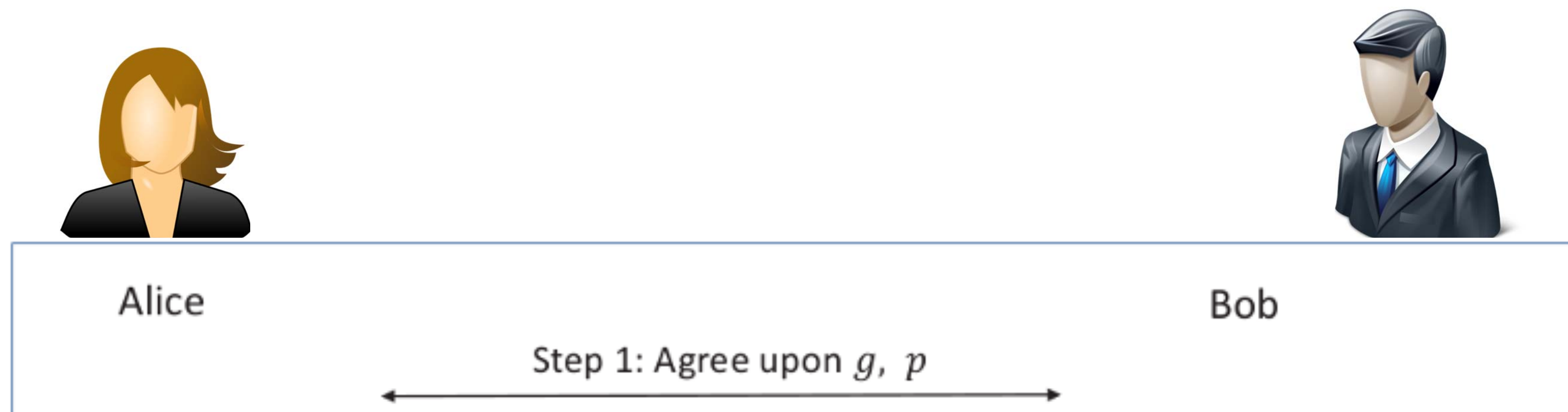


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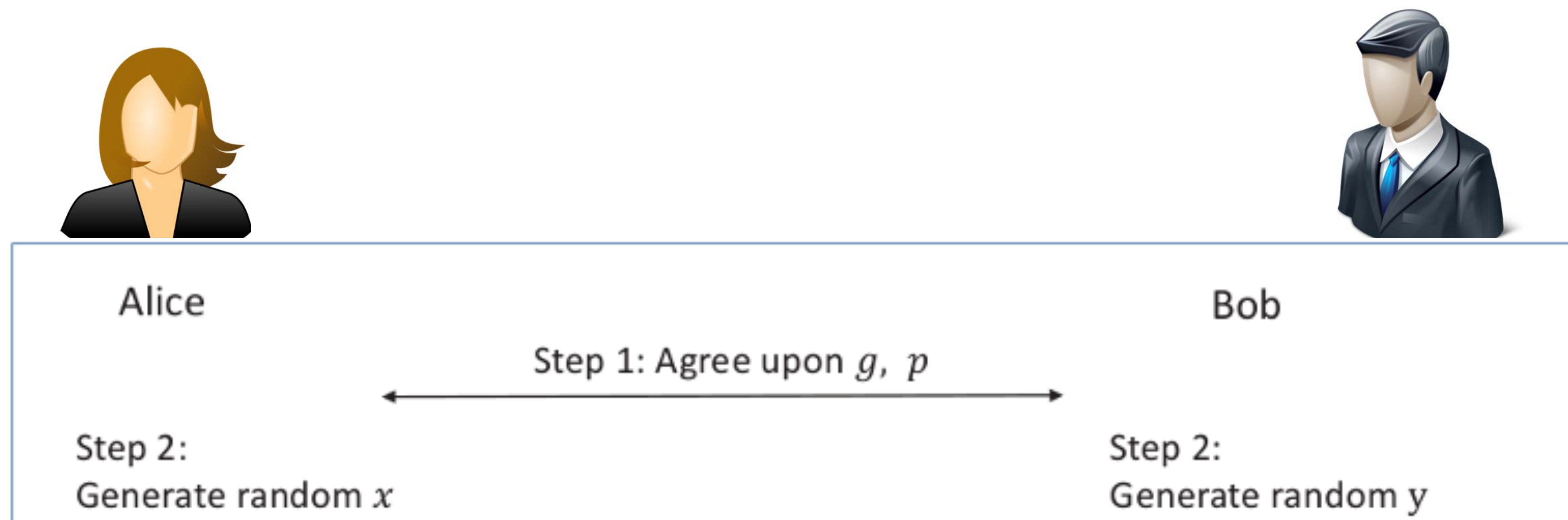


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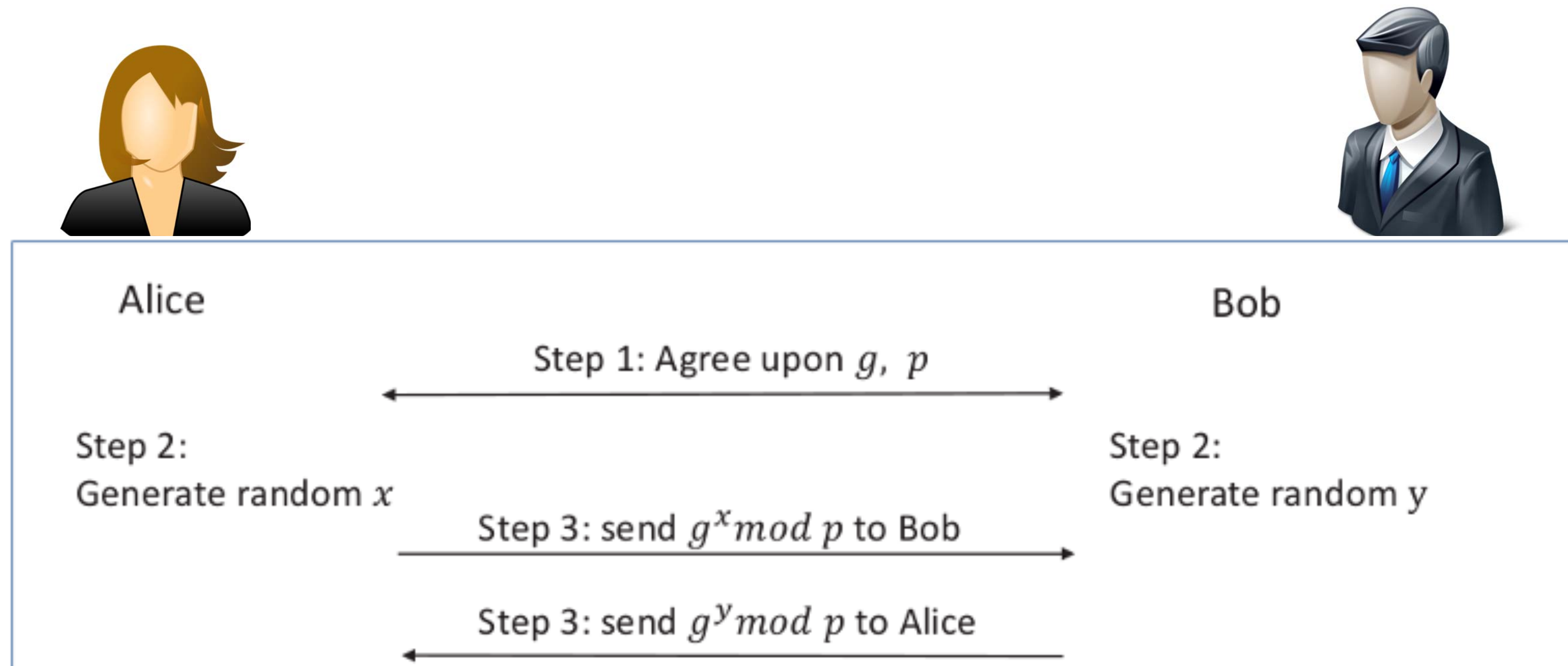
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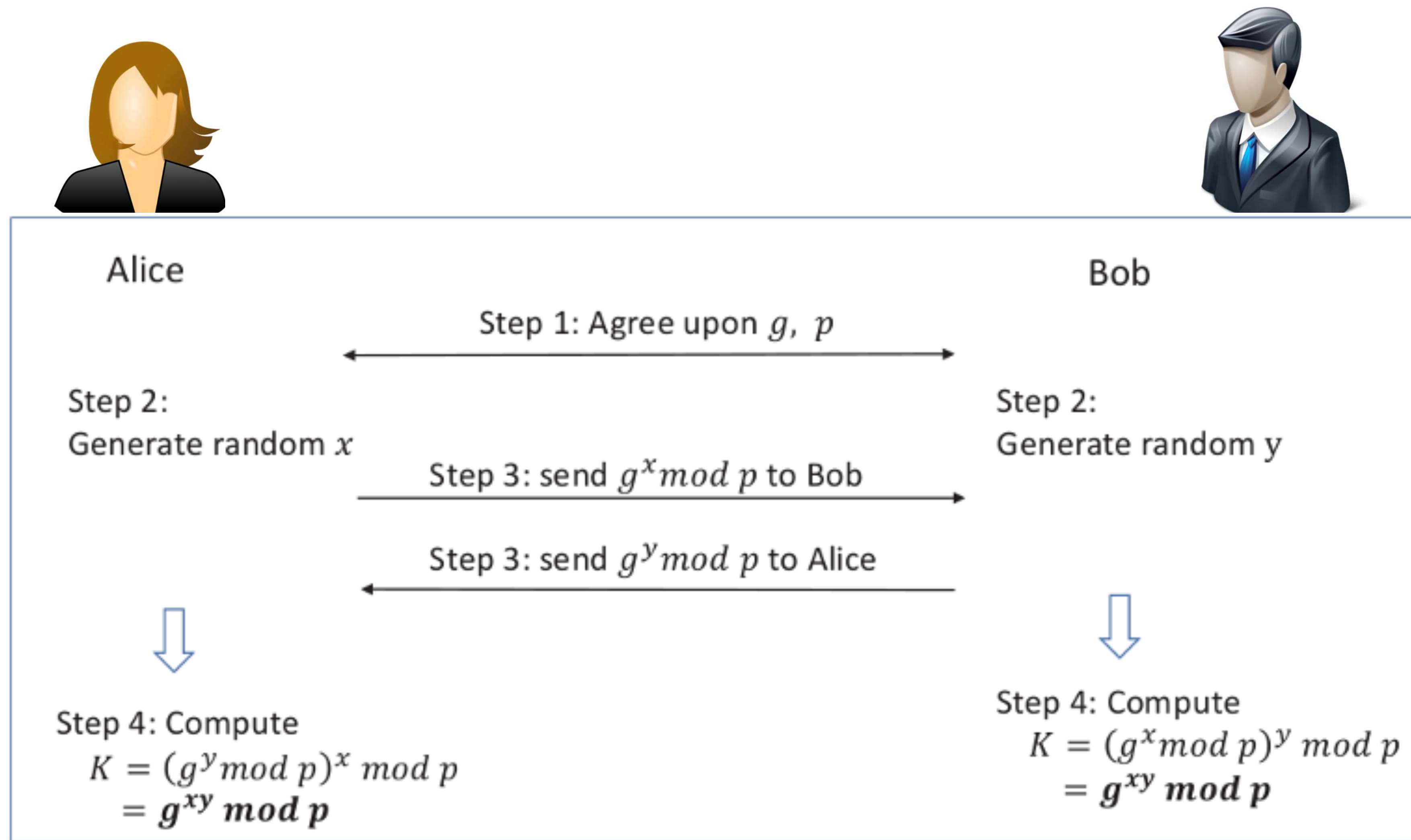
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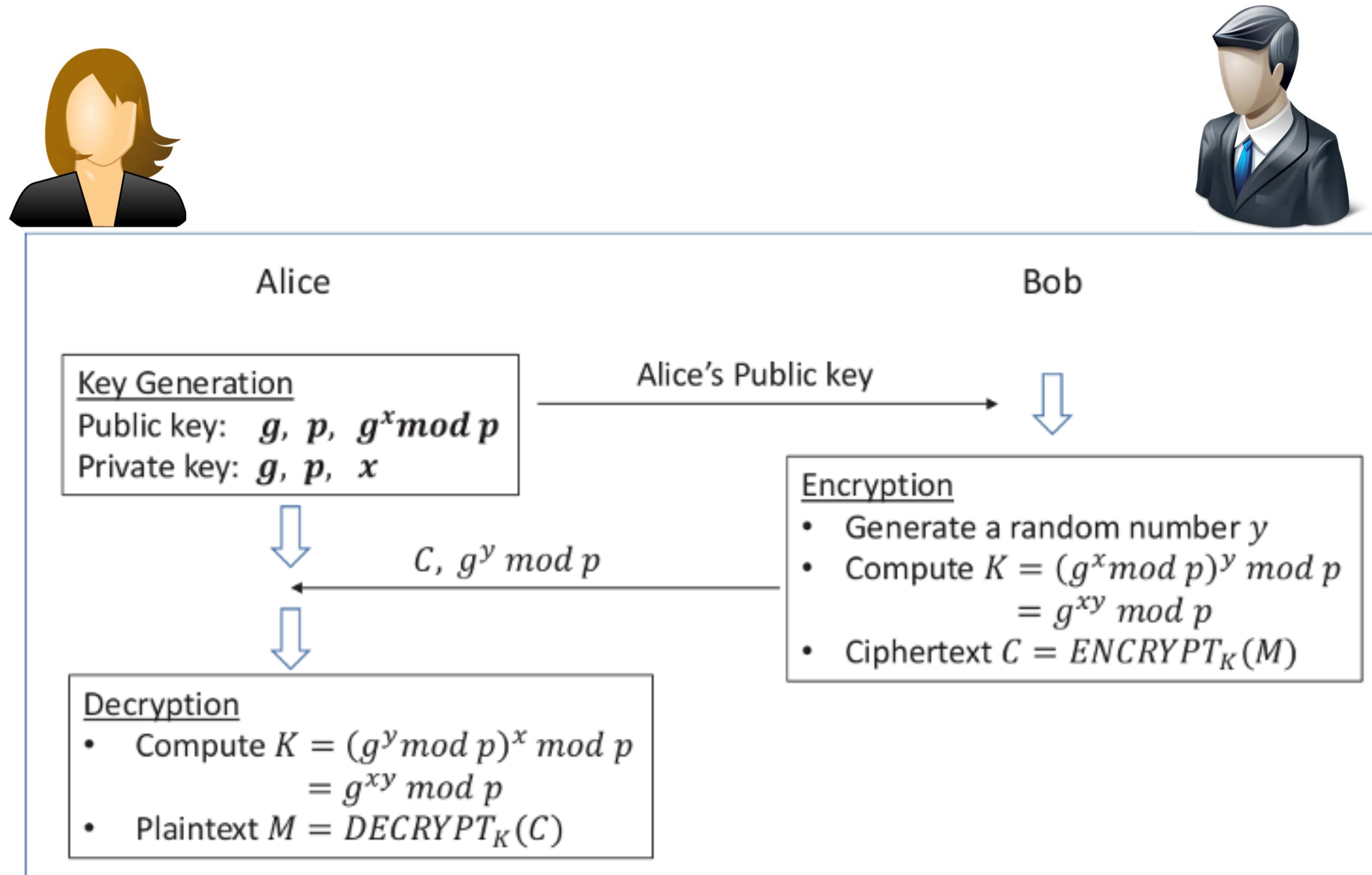
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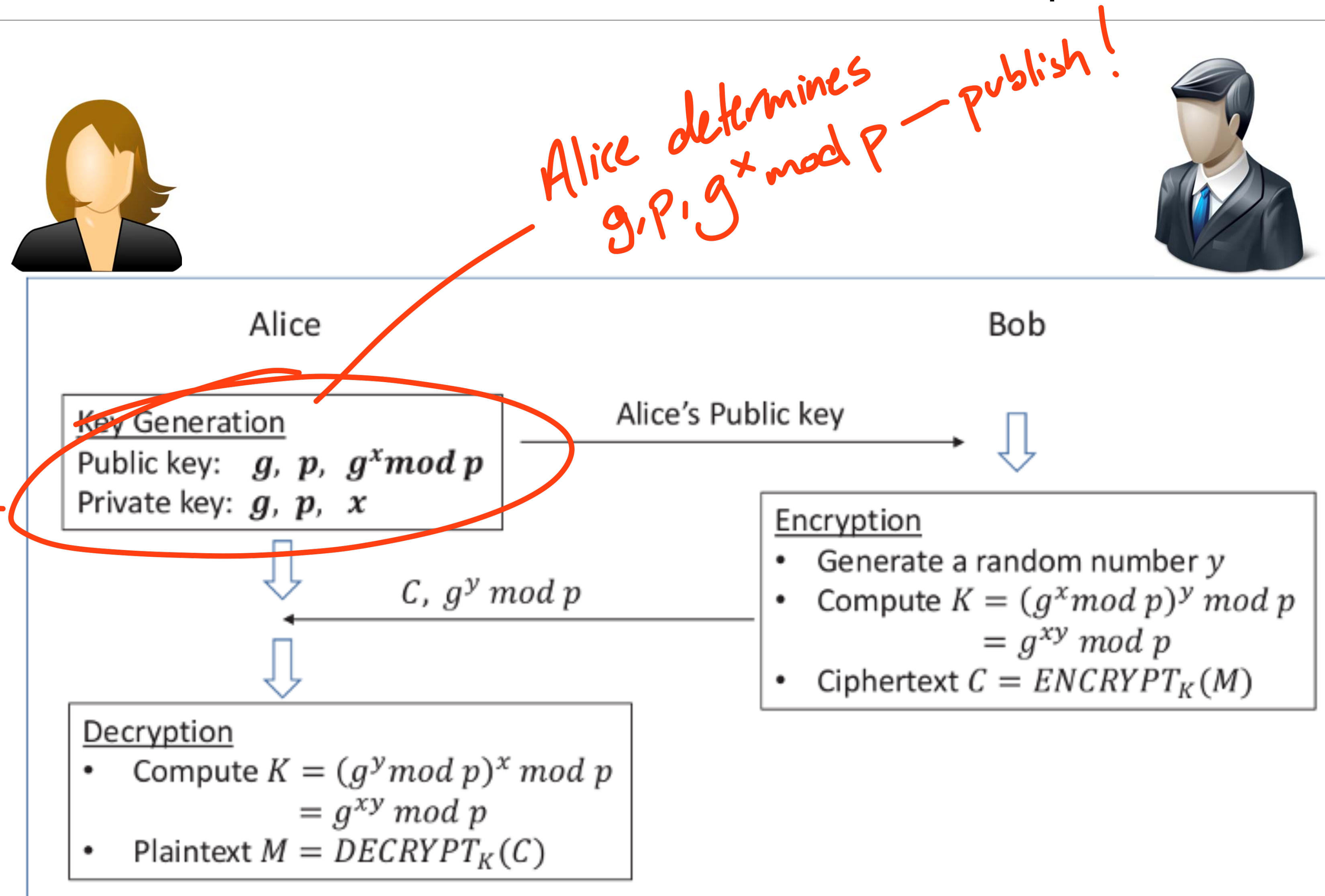
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- DH key exchange protocol allows two parties to exchange ***a secret***
- Protocol can be tweaked to turn into a public-key encryption scheme if...
 - **Public key:** known to the public and used for encryption
 - **Private key:** known only to the owner, and used for decryption
 - Establish algorithm(s) for encryption and decryption

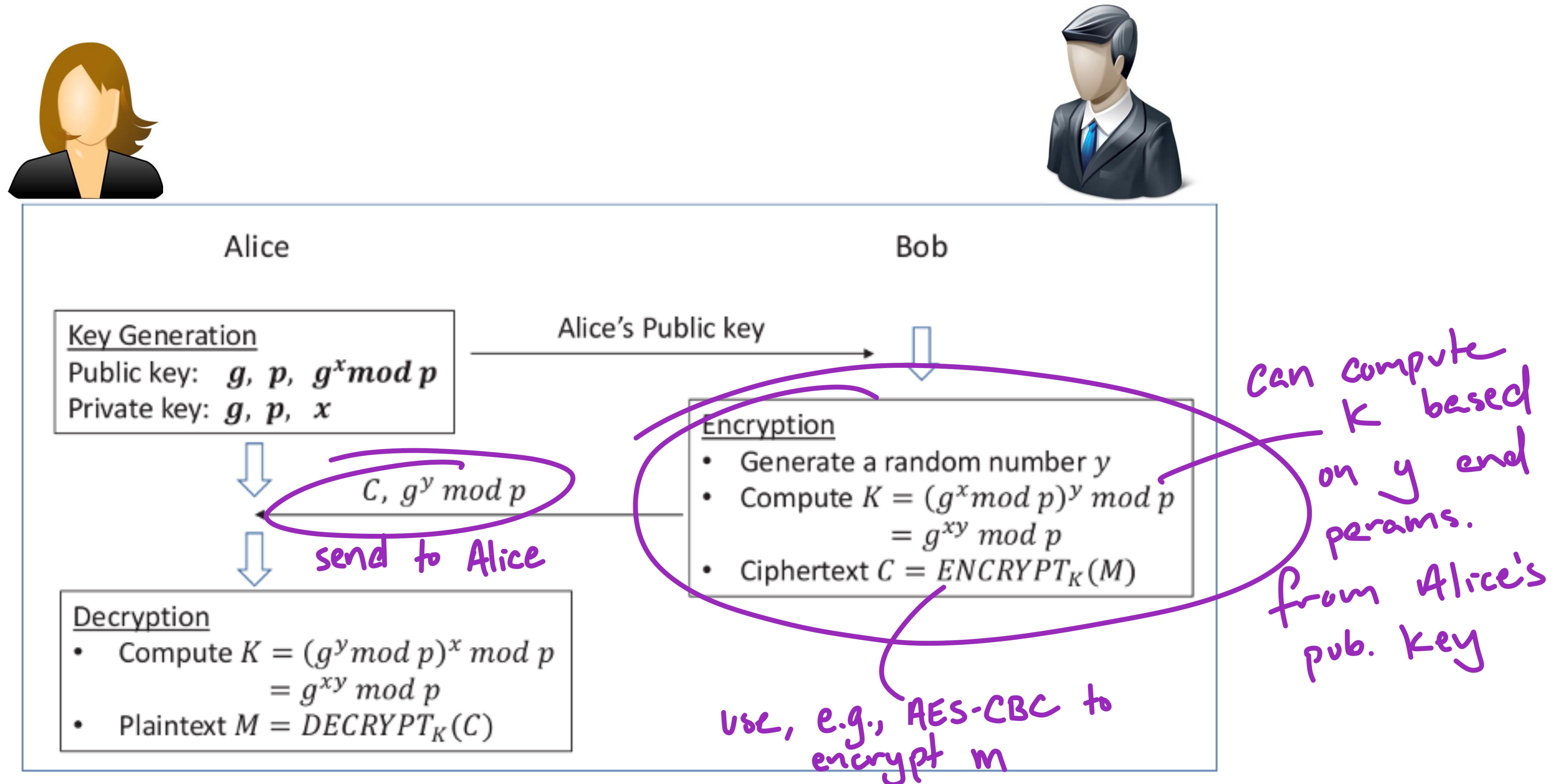
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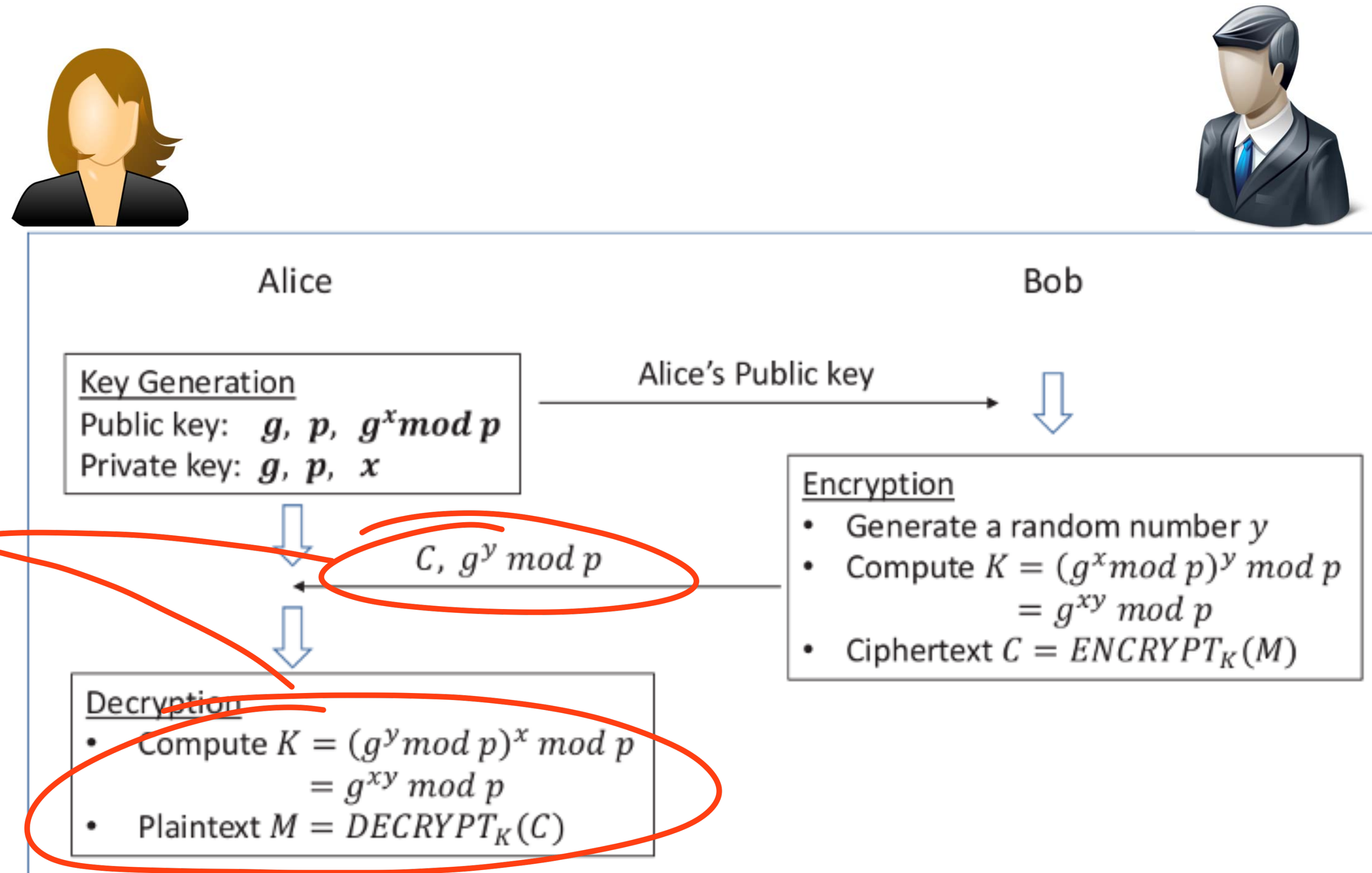
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- Modulo operations are ***distributive***:

$$(a + b) \bmod n = [(a \bmod n) + (b \bmod n)] \bmod n$$

$$a * b \bmod n = [(a \bmod n) * (b \bmod n)] \bmod n$$

$$a^x \bmod n = (a \bmod n)^x \bmod n$$

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- Euler's totient function $\varphi(n)$ counts the positive integers up to a given integer n that are *relatively prime* to n
 - $\varphi(n) = n - 1$, if n is a prime number.
- Euler's totient function property:
 - if m and n are relatively prime, $\varphi(mn) = \varphi(m) * \varphi(n)$
- Euler's theorem states:
 - $a^{\varphi(n)} = 1 \pmod{n}$

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 $n = 33$
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Key Generation → Encryption → Decryption

- **Need to generate:** modulus n , public key exponent e , private key exponent d
- **Approach:**
 - Choose $p, q \rightarrow$ large random prime numbers (secret!)
 - $n = pq \rightarrow$ should be LARGE; computationally hard to factor $n \rightarrow$ Euler's Theorem
 - Choose $e, 1 < e < \varphi(n)$ and e is relatively prime to $\varphi(n)$
 $\rightarrow e$ is the "public-key exponent" (e.g., $e = 65537$)
 - Find $d, ed \bmod \varphi(n) = 1$
 \rightarrow solve using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm; d is the "private-key exponent" (secret!)
Can be solved in polynomial time if you know p, q , and e !
- **Result:**
 - (e, n) is public key \rightarrow without knowledge of p or q , computationally hard to find d
 - d is private key

RSA: Encryption & Decryption

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Encryption

- Treat the plaintext as a number
- Assuming $M < n$
- $C = M^e \bmod n$

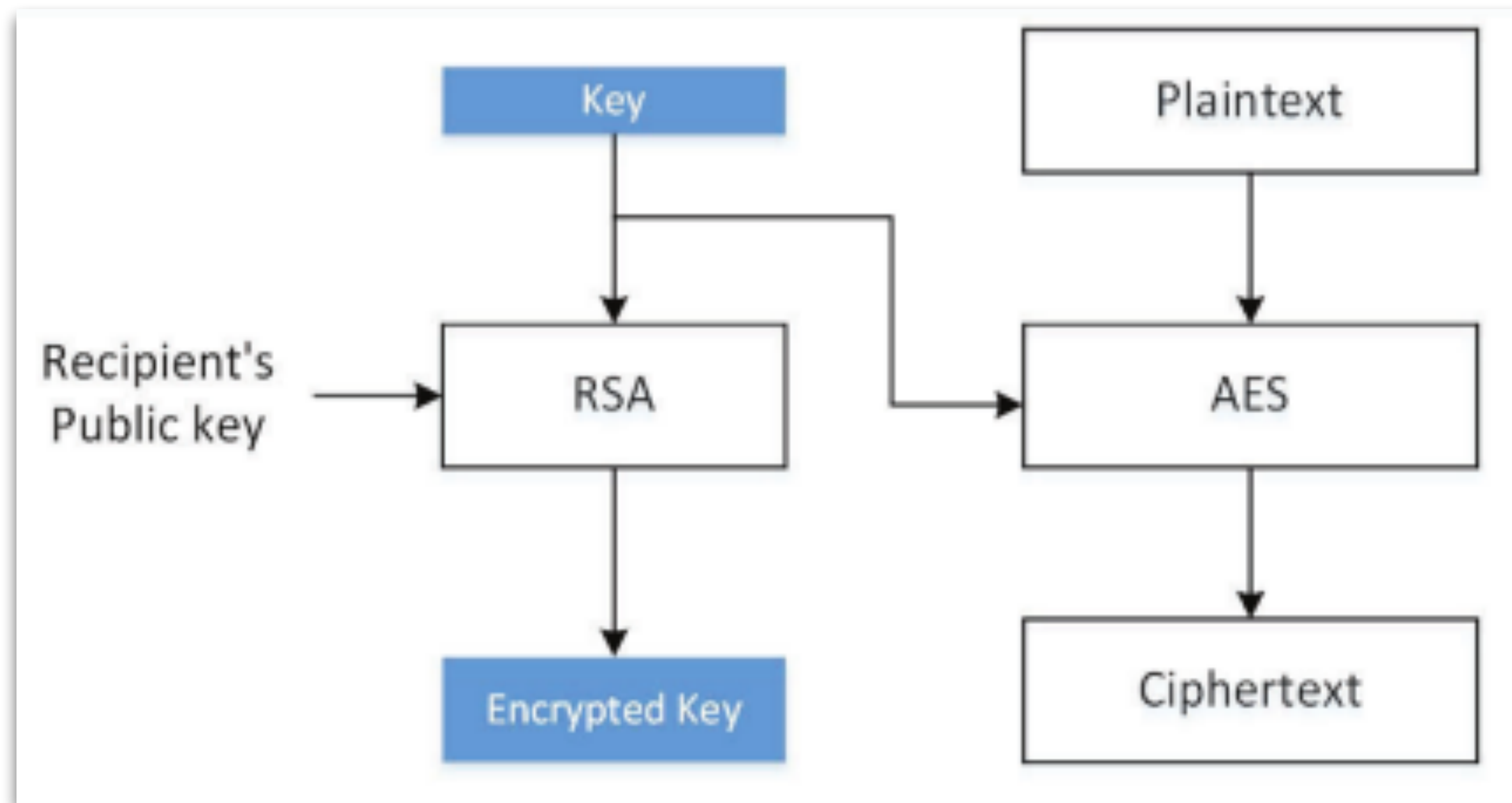
Decryption

- $M = C^d \bmod n$

You can convince yourself (see below) that decryption does indeed yield back the message, M...

$$\begin{aligned} M^{ed} \bmod n &= M^{k\phi(n)+1} \bmod n \quad (\text{note: } ed = k\phi(n) + 1) \\ &= M^{k\phi(n)} * M \bmod n \\ &= (M^{\phi(n)} \bmod n)^k * M \bmod n \quad (\text{applying distributive rule}) \\ &= 1^k * M \bmod n \quad (\text{applying Euler's theorem}) \\ &= M \end{aligned}$$

Hybrid Encryption



- Public-key encryption is computationally expensive (e.g., large-number multiplications)
- Use public key algorithms to ***exchange a secret session key***
- The key (data-encryption key) used to encrypt data using a symmetric-key algorithm (e.g., AES-128-CBC)

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RSA: Exercise w/ Small Numbers

- Choose two prime numbers $p = 13$ and $q = 17$
- Find e :
 - $n = pq = 221$
 - $\varphi(n) = (p - 1)(q - 1) = 192$
 - choose $e = 7 \rightarrow 7$ is relatively prime to $\varphi(n)$
- Find $\varphi(n)$:
 - $ed = 1 \bmod \varphi(n)$
- Solving the above equation is equivalent to: $7d + 192y = 1$
- Using Extended Euclidean algorithm, we get $d = 55$ and $y = -2$

RSA: Exercise w/ Small Numbers *(cont.)*

- Encrypt $M = 36$

$$\begin{aligned} M^e \bmod n &= 36^7 \bmod 221 \\ &= (36^2 \bmod 221)^3 * 36 \bmod 221 \\ &= 191^3 * 36 \bmod 221 \\ &= 179 \bmod 221. \end{aligned}$$

- Ciphertext $C = 179$

RSA: Exercise w/ Small Numbers *(cont.)*

$$\begin{aligned} C^d \bmod n &= 179^{55} \bmod 221 \\ &= (179^2 \bmod 221)^{27} * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= 217^{27} * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= (217^2 \bmod 221)^{13} * 217 * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= 16^{13} * 217 * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= (16^2 \bmod 221)^6 * 16 * 217 * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= 35^6 * 16 * 217 * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= (35^2 \bmod 221)^3 * 16 * 217 * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= 120^3 * 16 * 217 * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= (120^2 \bmod 221) * 120 * 16 * 217 * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= 35 * 120 * 16 * 217 * 179 \bmod 221 \\ &= 36 \bmod 221 \end{aligned}$$

RSA: Exercise w/ Large Numbers

***Example w/ larger numbers
discussed in the text
+
rsa.c***

Using OpenSSL Tools to Conduct RSA Operations

This Video Covers:

- Generating RSA keys
- Extracting the public key
- Encryption and decryption

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DEK-Info: AES-128-CBC, C30BF6EB3FD6BA9A81CCB9202B95EC1A

sLIQ7Fs5j5zOexdWkZUoiv2W82g03gNERmfG+fwnVnbsIZAuW8E9wiB7tqz8rEL+
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    4b:0d:ce:53:dd:e6:6b:0d:c6:82:42:9c:42:24:a7: ...
prime1:
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Chinese
remainder
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↪ $(e, n) = \text{public Key!}$

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$ echo "This is a secret." > msg.txt
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RSA and Padding

This Video Covers:

- *Why and how padding is done in RSA*
- Examples with OpenSSL

RSA and Padding

- Secret-key encryption uses encryption modes to encrypt plaintext longer than block size.
- RSA used in hybrid approach (Content key length \ll RSA key length)
- To encrypt:
 - **short plaintext:** treat it as a number, raise it to the power of e (modulo n)
 - **large plaintext:** use hybrid approach; treat the “content key” as a number and raise it to the power of e (modulo n)

Treating plaintext as a number and directly applying RSA is called plain RSA or textbook RSA

Attacks Against Textbook RSA

- RSA is a **deterministic** encryption algorithm
 - The same plaintext encrypted using the same public key gives the same ciphertext
 - secret-key encryption uses randomized IV → different ciphertexts for same plaintext
- For **small** e and m
 - if $m^e < \text{modulus } n$
 - e -th root of ciphertext gives plaintext
- If same plaintext is encrypted e times or more using the same e but different n , then it is easy to decrypt the original plaintext message via the Chinese remainder theorem

Padding Schemes: **PKCS#1 v1.5** and **OAEP**

- The simple fix to defend against previous attacks is to ***add randomness*** to the plaintext ***before encryption*** → ***padding!***
- **Types of padding:**
 - **PKCS#1** (up to version 1.5); weakness discovered since 1998
 - Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding (**OAEP**); prevents attacks on PKCS
- `rsautl` command provides options for both types of paddings
(*PKCS#1 v1.5 is the default... why? IDK...*)

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$ ls -al msg.enc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 128 Mar 18 14:29 msg.enc
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# NOTE: decrypt without -raw to recover the original data (need -oaep flag!)
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Digital Signatures

This Video Covers:

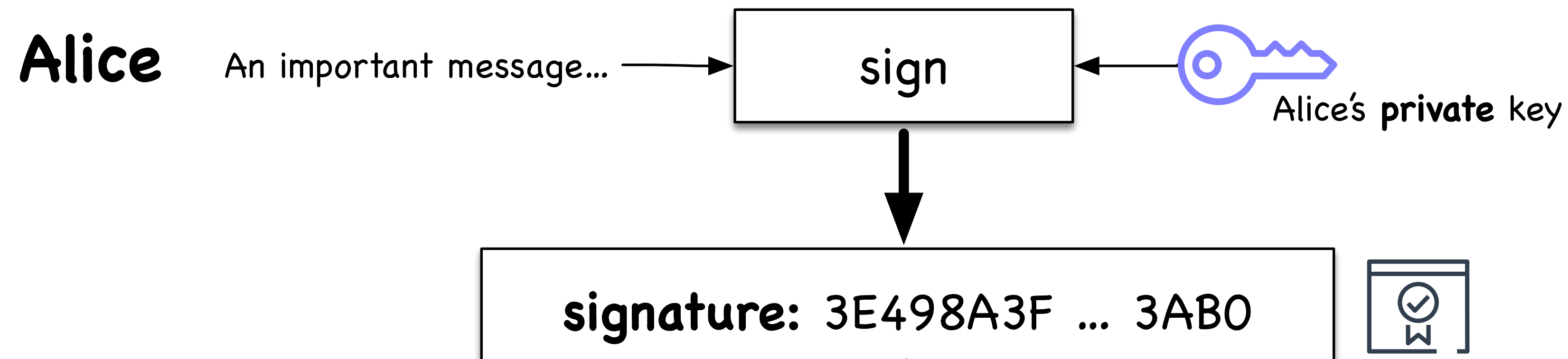
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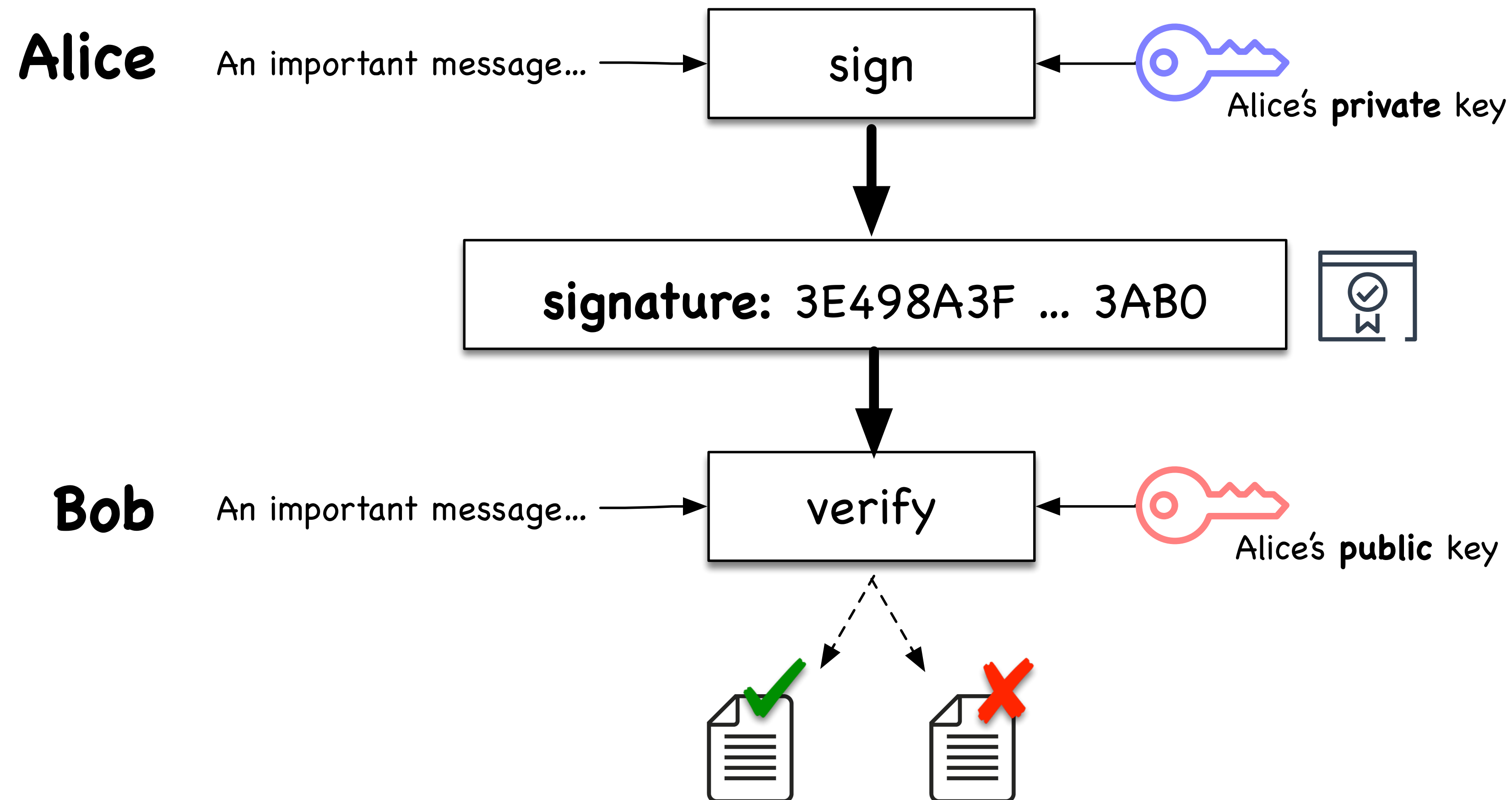
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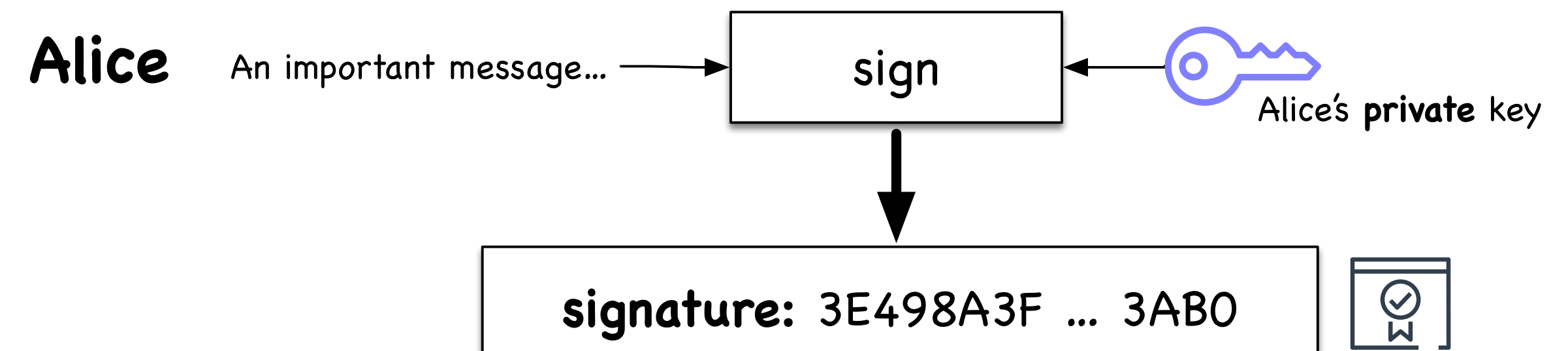


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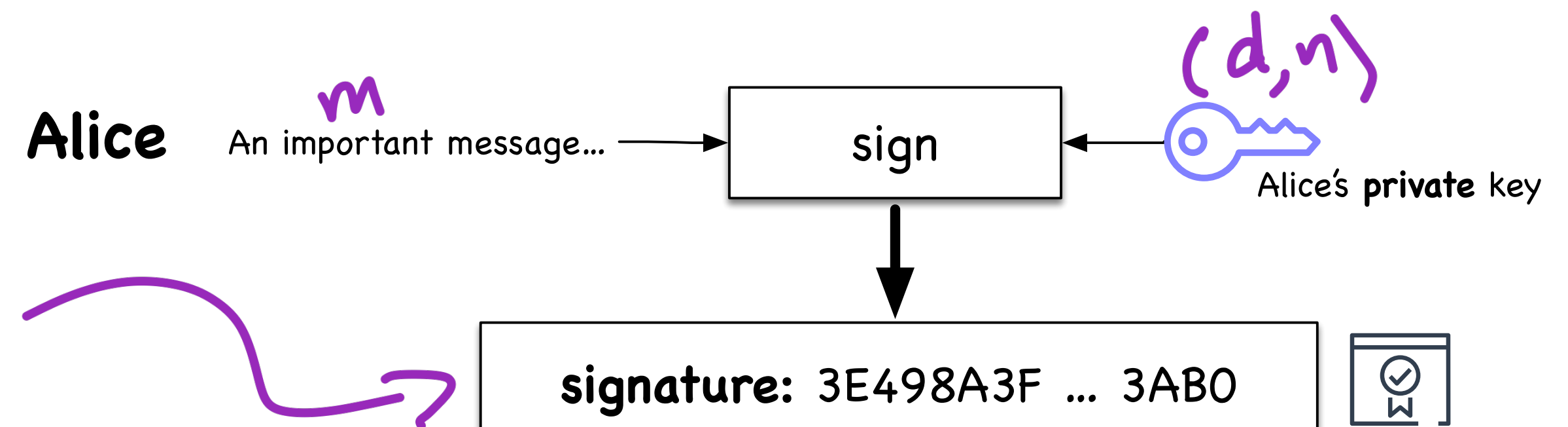
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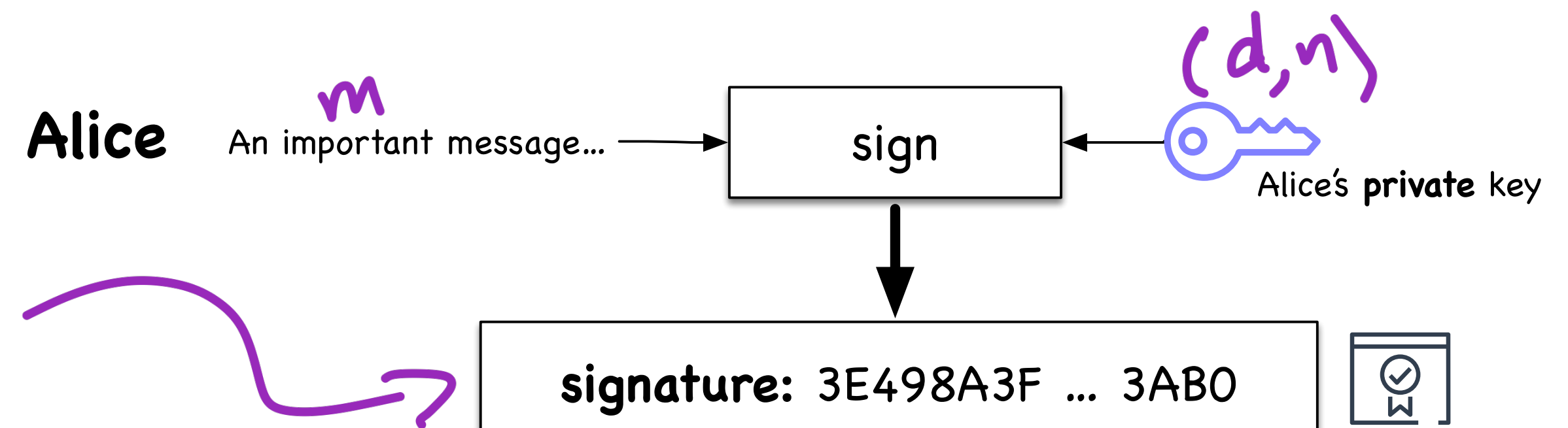
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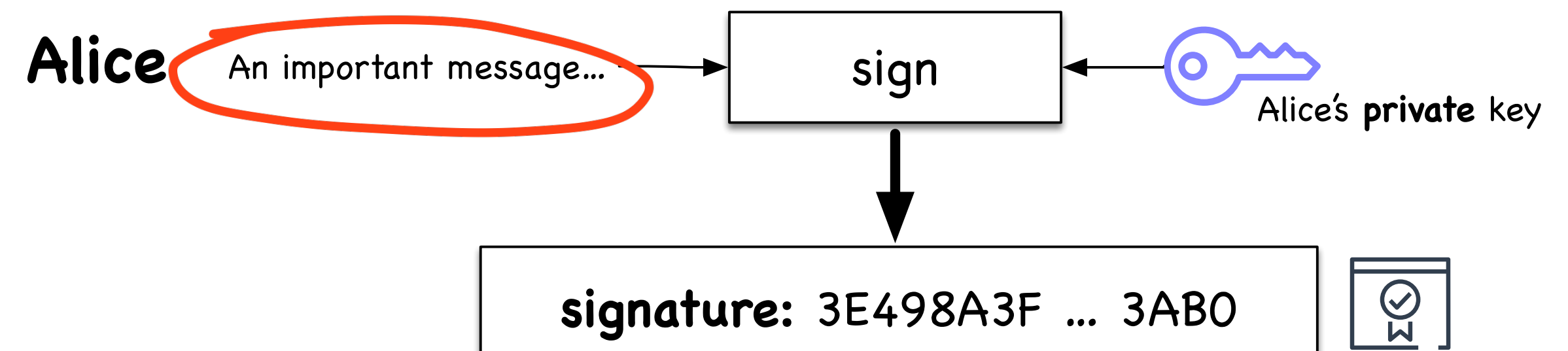


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Digital Signature using RSA *(cont.)*

To generate a hash of the message:

```
# Generate a sha256 hash of the secret message
$ openssl sha256 -binary msg.txt > msg.sha256

$ xxd msg.sha256
00000000: 8272 61ce 5ddc 974b 1b36 75a3 ed37 48cd  .ra.]..K.6u..7H.
00000010: 83cd de93 85f0 6aab bd94 f50c db5a b460  ....j.....Z.`
```


Digital Signature using RSA *(cont.)*

To generate and verify the signature:

```
# Sign the hash
$ openssl rsautl -sign -inkey private.pem -in msg.sha256 -out msg.sig

# Verify the signature
$ openssl rsautl -verify -inkey public.pem -in msg.sig -pubin -raw | xxd
00000000: 0001 ffff ffff ffff ffff ffff ffff ffff .....
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00000020: ffff ffff ffff ffff ffff ffff ffff ffff .....
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Attack Experiment on Digital Signatures

- Attackers cannot generate a valid signature from a modified message because they do not know the private key
- If an attacker modifies the message, the hash will change, and therefore the signature of the hash will change, so the signature verification should fail

Experiment:

Modify 1 bit of the signature file `msg.sig`
and verify the signature...

Attack Experiment on Digital Signatures

After applying the RSA public key on the signature, we get a block of data that is significantly different

*After modifying
only 1 bit...*

```
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```
$ openssl rsautl -verify -inkey public.pem -in msg.sig -pubin -raw | xxd
00000000: 07a4 8d1c cfb8 b36c 17af e821 a9ea 8c80 .....l...!....
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```

Summary: *Public Key Cryptography*

- The basics of public key cryptography
- Both theoretical and practical sides of public key cryptography
- RSA algorithm and the Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange
- Tools and programming libraries to conduct public-key operations
- How public key is used in real-world applications

You Try!

Exam-like problems that you can use for practice!

- In the Diffie-Hellman key exchange, Alice sends $g^x \bmod p$ to Bob, and Bob sends $g^y \bmod p$ to Alice. How do they get a common secret?
- In the Diffie-Hellman key exchange protocol, attackers know g , p , and $g^x \bmod p$. Why can't attackers figure out x from this data?
- In RSA, decryption is much more expensive than encryption, why?
- Why do we use hybrid encryption? Why can't we use public key to encrypt everything?
- What is the benefit of public-key based authentication scheme, compared to the password-based scheme?