
Lecture 11 – Digital signatures, UF-CMA, RSA, Schnorr, PKI

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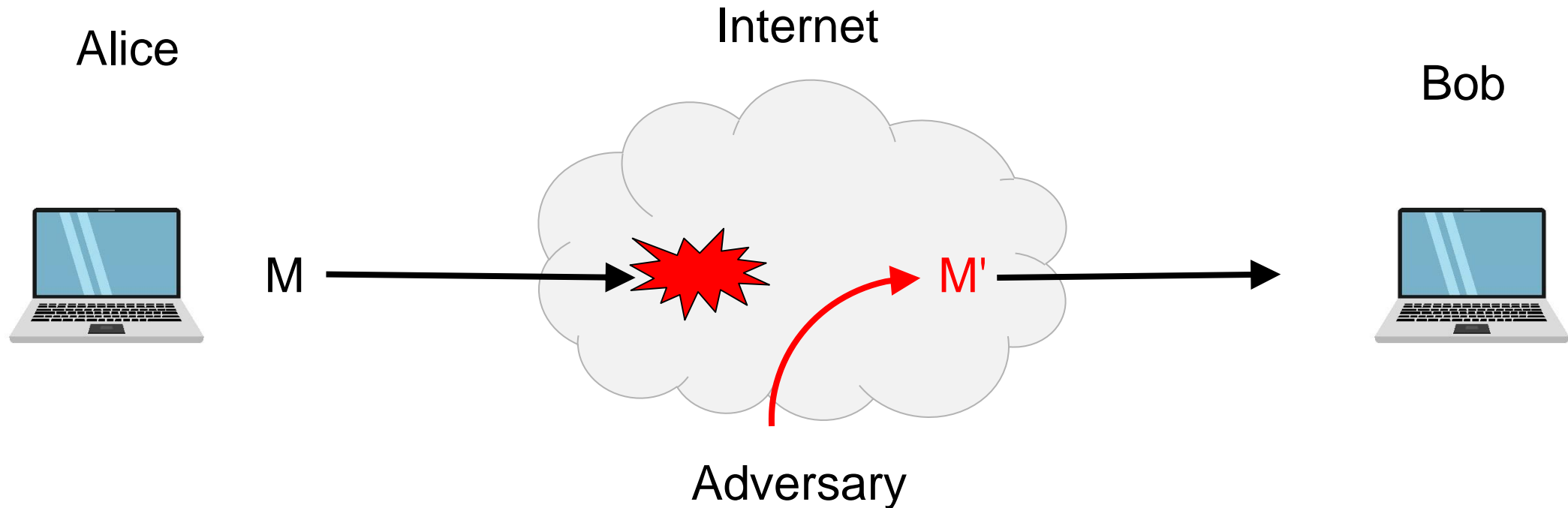
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Basic goals of cryptography

	Message privacy	Message integrity / authentication
Symmetric keys	Symmetric encryption	Message authentication codes (MAC)
Asymmetric keys	Asymmetric encryption (a.k.a. public-key encryption)	Digital signatures (Key exchange)

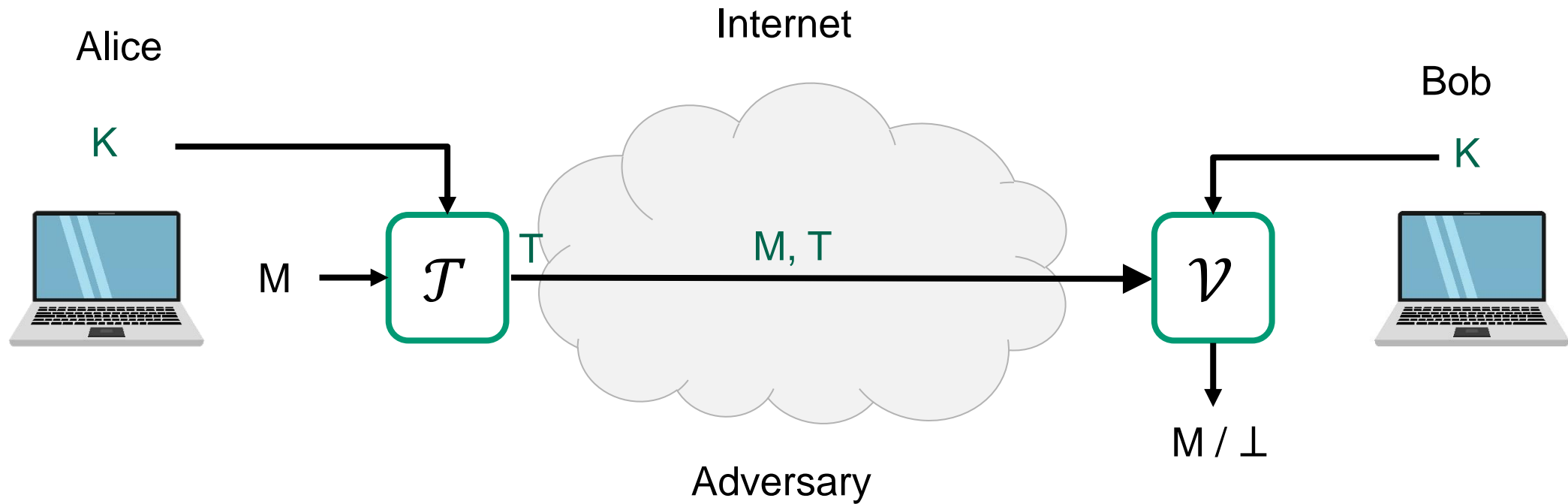
What is cryptography?



Security goals:

- **Data privacy:** adversary should not be able to read message M
- **Data integrity:** adversary should not be able to modify message M
- **Data authenticity:** message M really originated from Alice

Achieving integrity: MACs

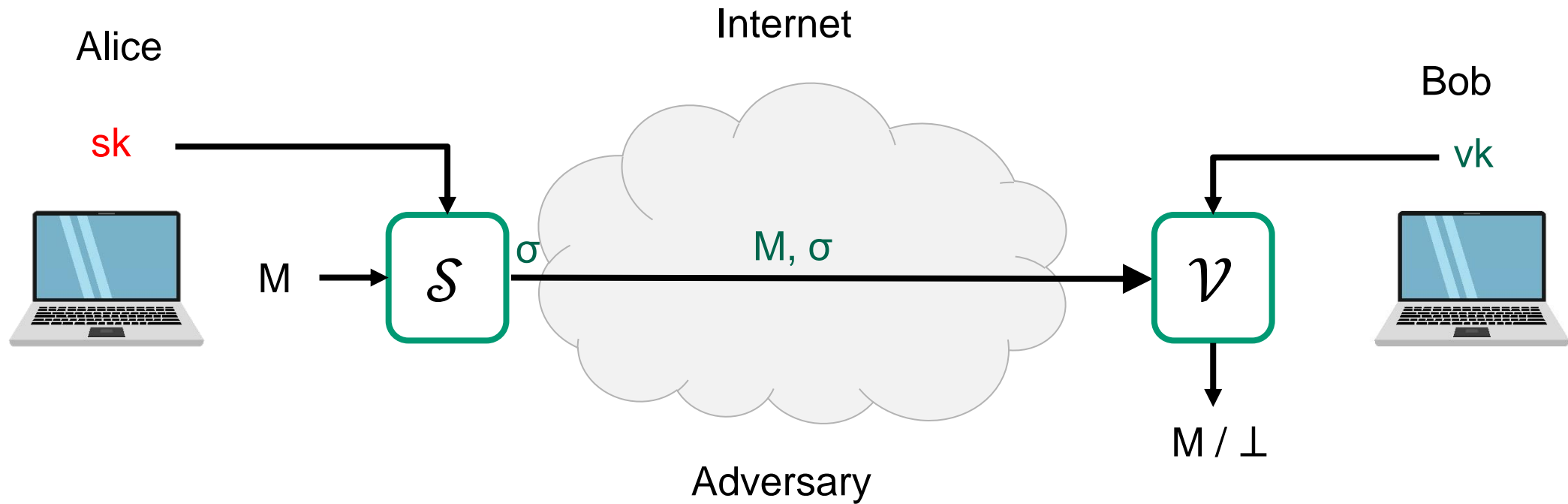


\mathcal{T} : tagging algorithm (public)

K : tagging / verification key (secret)

\mathcal{V} : verification algorithm (public)

Achieving integrity: digital signatures



\mathcal{S} : tagging algorithm (public)

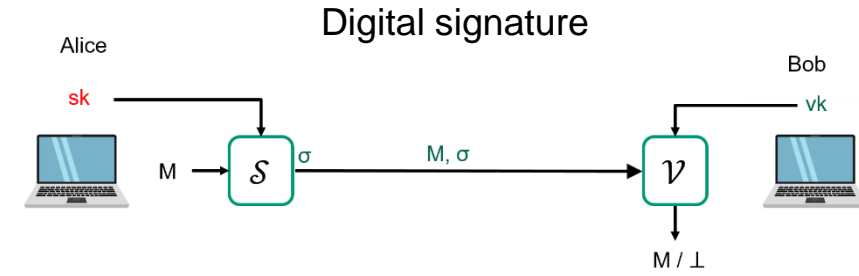
sk : signing key (secret)

\mathcal{V} : verification algorithm (public)

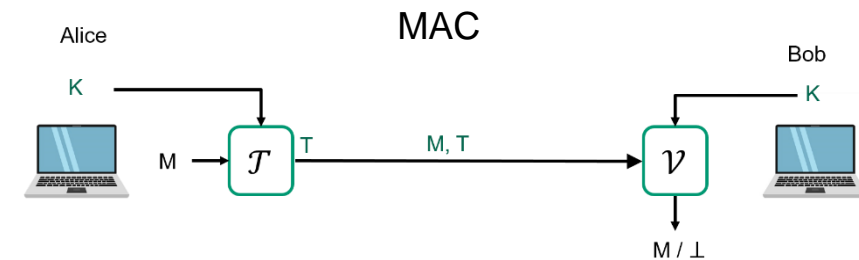
vk : verification key (public)

Digital signatures vs. MACs

- Digital signatures can be verified by *anyone*



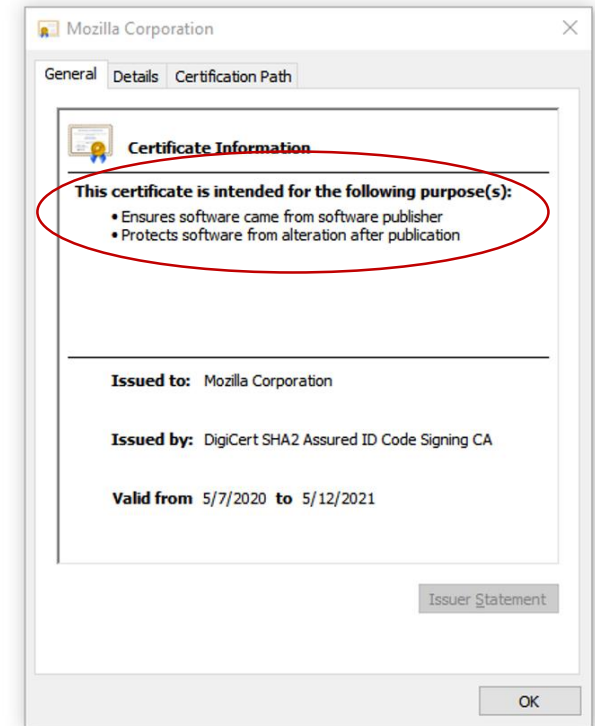
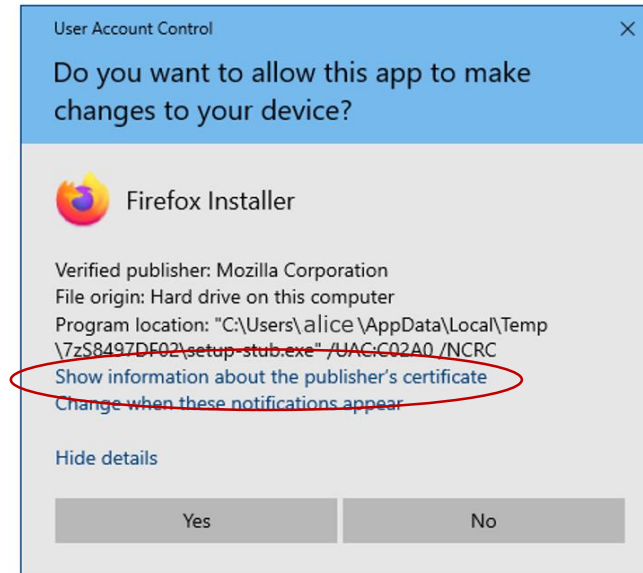
- MACs can only be verified by party sharing the same key



- **Non-repudiation:** Alice cannot deny having created σ
 - But she can deny having created T (since Bob could have done it)

Applications of digital signatures

- Electronic document signing
- HTTPS / TLS certificates
- Software installation
- Email sender authentication
- Bitcoin



Signing electronically

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This letter is a formal request for you to transfer \$1,000 from my savings account to **Chester Turley's account 123-666-569**. I understand there is no fee for this transfer.

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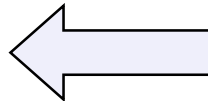
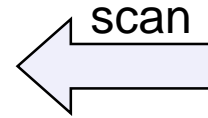
Sincerely,



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Digital signatures – syntax

A **digital signature** scheme is a tuple of algorithms $\Sigma = (\text{KeyGen}, \text{Sign}, \text{Vrfy})$

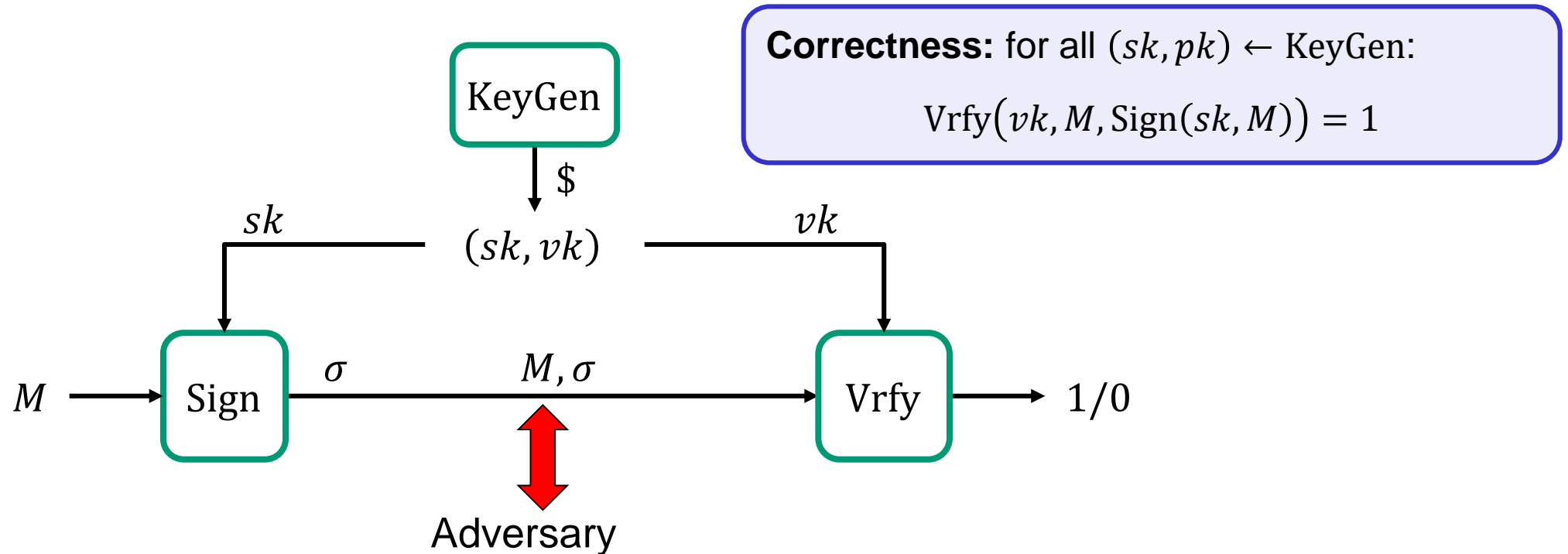
$$\text{KeyGen} : () \rightarrow \mathcal{SK} \times \mathcal{VK}$$

$$\text{Sign} : \mathcal{SK} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$$

$$\text{Vrfy} : \mathcal{VK} \times \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$

$$\text{Sign}(sk, M) = \text{Sign}_{sk}(M) = \sigma$$

$$\text{Vrfy}(vk, M, \sigma) = \text{Vrfy}_{vk}(M, \sigma) = 1/0$$



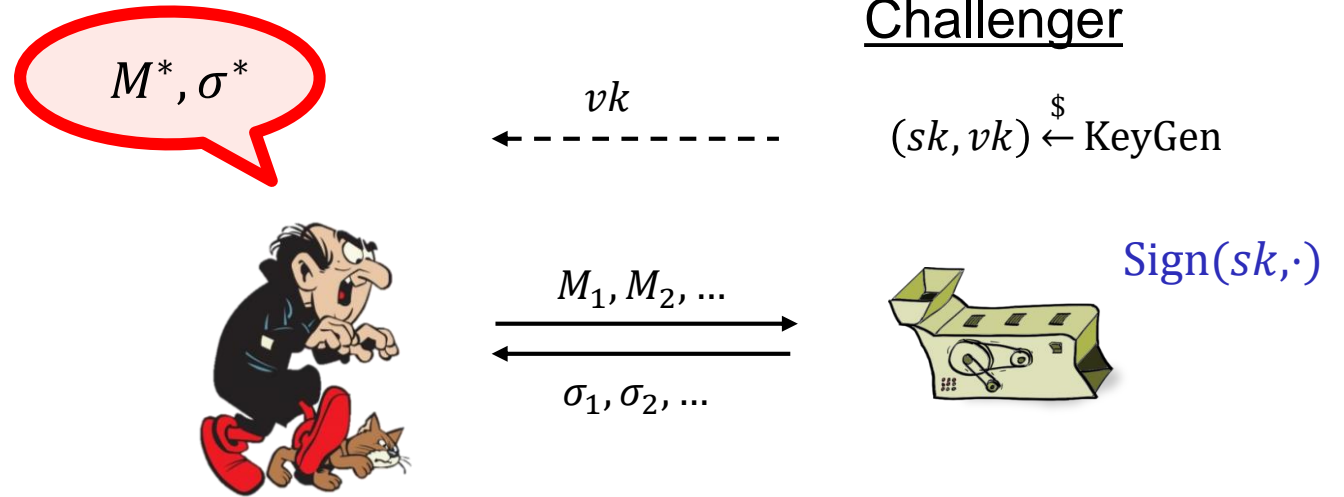
Digital signatures – security: UF-CMA

$\text{Exp}_{\Sigma}^{\text{uf-cma}}(A)$

1. $(sk, vk) \xleftarrow{\$} \Sigma.\text{KeyGen}$
2. $S \leftarrow []$
3. $(M^*, \sigma^*) \leftarrow A^{\text{SIGN}_{sk}(\cdot)}(vk)$
4. **if** $\Sigma.\text{Vrfy}(vk, M^*, \sigma^*) = 1$ and $M^* \notin S$ **then**
5. **return** 1
6. **else**
7. **return** 0

$\text{SIGN}_{sk}(M)$

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1. $\sigma \leftarrow \Sigma.\text{Sign}(sk, M)$
 2. $S.\text{add}(M)$
 3. **return** σ



If σ^* is a valid signature for M^* then the adversary has **forged** a signature

Definition: The **UF-CMA-advantage** of an adversary A is

$$\text{Adv}_{\Sigma}^{\text{uf-cma}}(A) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\Sigma}^{\text{uf-cma}}(A) \Rightarrow 1]$$

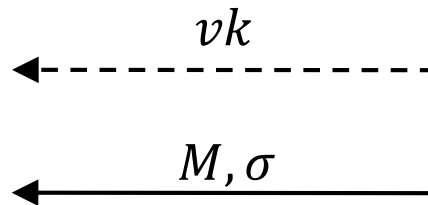
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1. **if** $\sigma^e = M \bmod n$ **then**
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KeyGen

1. $p, q \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow}$ two random prime numbers
2. $n \leftarrow p \cdot q$
3. $\phi(n) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$
4. **choose** e such that $\text{gcd}(e, \phi(n)) = 1$
5. $d \leftarrow e^{-1} \bmod \phi(n)$
6. $sk \leftarrow (n, d)$ $vk \leftarrow (n, e)$
7. **return** (sk, vk)

Sign($sk = (n, d), M \in \mathbf{Z}_n^*$)

1. $\sigma \leftarrow M^d \bmod n$
2. **return** σ

Textbook RSA signatures: attacks

$A_1(n, e)$

1. Output (1,1)

$1^e \stackrel{?}{=} 1 \pmod n$ Yes! $\Rightarrow \text{Adv}_{\text{RSA}}^{\text{uf-cma}}(A_1) = 1$

$A_2(n, e)$

1. Want to forge on message $M \in \mathbf{Z}_n^*$
2. Pick arbitrary $M_1 \in \mathbf{Z}_n^*$
3. $M_2 \leftarrow M \cdot M_1^{-1} \pmod n$
4. Query $\sigma_1 \leftarrow \text{SIGN}_{sk}(M_1)$ and $\sigma_2 \leftarrow \text{SIGN}_{sk}(M_2)$
5. Output $(M, \sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2 \pmod n)$

$(\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2)^e \stackrel{?}{=} M \pmod n$ Yes! $\Rightarrow \text{Adv}_{\text{RSA}}^{\text{uf-cma}}(A_2) = 1$

$(M_1^d \cdot M_2^d)^e = M_1^{ed} \cdot M_2^{ed} = M_1 \cdot M_2 = M_1 \cdot M \cdot M_1^{-1} = M \pmod n$

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RSA correctness

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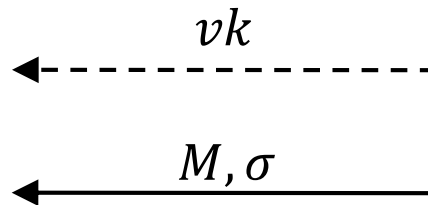
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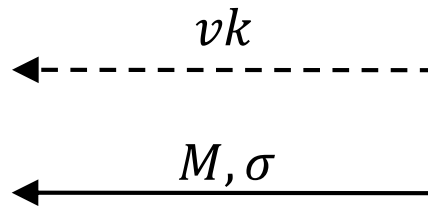
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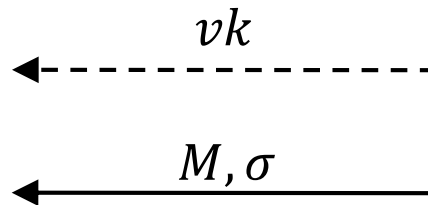
Hash-then sign paradigm

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Hashed RSA signatures

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$1^e \stackrel{?}{=} H(1) \bmod n$ No! $\Rightarrow \text{Adv}_{\text{RSA}}^{\text{uf-cma}}(A_1) \approx 0$

$A_2(n, e)$

1. Want to forge on message $M \in \{0,1\}^*$
2. Find $M_1, M_2 \in \{0,1\}^*$ such that $H(M) = H(M_1) \cdot H(M_2) \bmod n$
3. Query $\sigma_1 \leftarrow \text{SIGN}_{sk}(M_1)$ and $\sigma_2 \leftarrow \text{SIGN}_{sk}(M_2)$
4. Output $(M, \sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2 \bmod n)$

Hard to find!

$(\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2)^e \stackrel{?}{=} H(M) \bmod n$ No! $\Rightarrow \text{Adv}_{\text{RSA}}^{\text{uf-cma}}(A_2) \approx 0$

$$(H(M_1)^d \cdot H(M_2)^d)^e = H(M_1) \cdot H(M_2) = H(M) \bmod n$$

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Hashed RSA – security

- Factoring + RSA-problem must be hard
- What are the requirements of H ?
 - Must be collision-resistant:

$$H(X) = H(Y) \Rightarrow H(X)^d = H(Y)^d = \sigma$$

- Is this enough?
 - Unknown
 - However, if we assume that H is *perfect** then

Theorem: For any UF-CMA adversary A against hashed RSA making q $\text{SIGN}_{sk}(\cdot)$ queries, there is an algorithm B solving the RSA-problem:

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{RSA}, H}^{\text{uf-cma}}(A) \leq q \cdot \text{Adv}_{n, e}^{\text{RSA}}(B)$$

where H is assumed perfect

*Perfect = [random oracle](#)

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Discrete logarithm based signatures

Discrete-log-based signatures: Schnorr

$$G = \langle g \rangle$$

$$H : G \times \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_p^*$$

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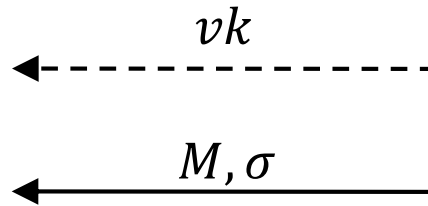
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2.  $B \leftarrow g^b$ 
3. return  $(sk = b, vk = B)$ 
    
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Sign( $sk = b, M$ )
1.  $r \xleftarrow{\$} \{1 \dots |G|\}$ 
2.  $R \leftarrow g^r$ 
3.  $h \leftarrow H(R, M)$ 
4.  $s \leftarrow r - bh \pmod p$ 
5. return  $\sigma = (h, s)$ 
    
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Vrfy( $vk = B, M, \sigma = (h, s)$ )
1.  $R' \leftarrow g^s B^h$ 
2.  $h' \leftarrow H(R', M)$ 
3. if  $h' = h$  then
4.   return 1
5. else
6.   return 0
    
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Correctness: $\text{Vrfy}(vk, M, \text{Sign}(sk, M)) = 1$

$$h' = H(R', M) = H(g^s B^h, M) = H(g^{r-bh} g^{bh}, M) = H(g^{r-bh+bh}, M) = H(g^r, M) = H(R, M) = h$$

Discrete-log-based signatures: Schnorr – security

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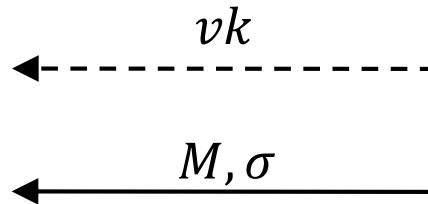
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Security:

- DLOG must be hard in G
- H must be collision-resistant, one-way, etc.
- r must be picked new *every time!*
- Attacker must essentially solve

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= (h, s) \\ \sigma' &= (h', s') \end{aligned} \Rightarrow s - s' = (r - bh) - (r - bh') = (h' - h) \cdot b$$

$$\Rightarrow b = (s - s') \cdot (h' - h)^{-1} \pmod p$$

$$g^r = g^s B^h \Leftrightarrow r = s + bh \Leftrightarrow s = r - bh$$

Discrete-log-based signatures: (EC)DSA

- Schnorr
 - Elegant design
 - Has formal security proof (based on DLOG problem and H assumed perfect)
 - Patented
- (EC)DSA
 - Non-patented alternative
 - Derived from ElGamal-based signature scheme
 - More complicated design than Schnorr
 - No security proof
 - Standardized by NIST
 - Very widely used
 - Same r -reuse problem as Schnorr: leaks long-term signing key
 - Broke all Playstations 3's produced by Sony



Public-key infrastructure (PKI)

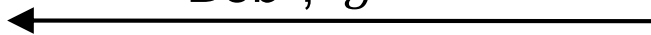
What are identities?



"Alice", g^a



"Bob", g^b



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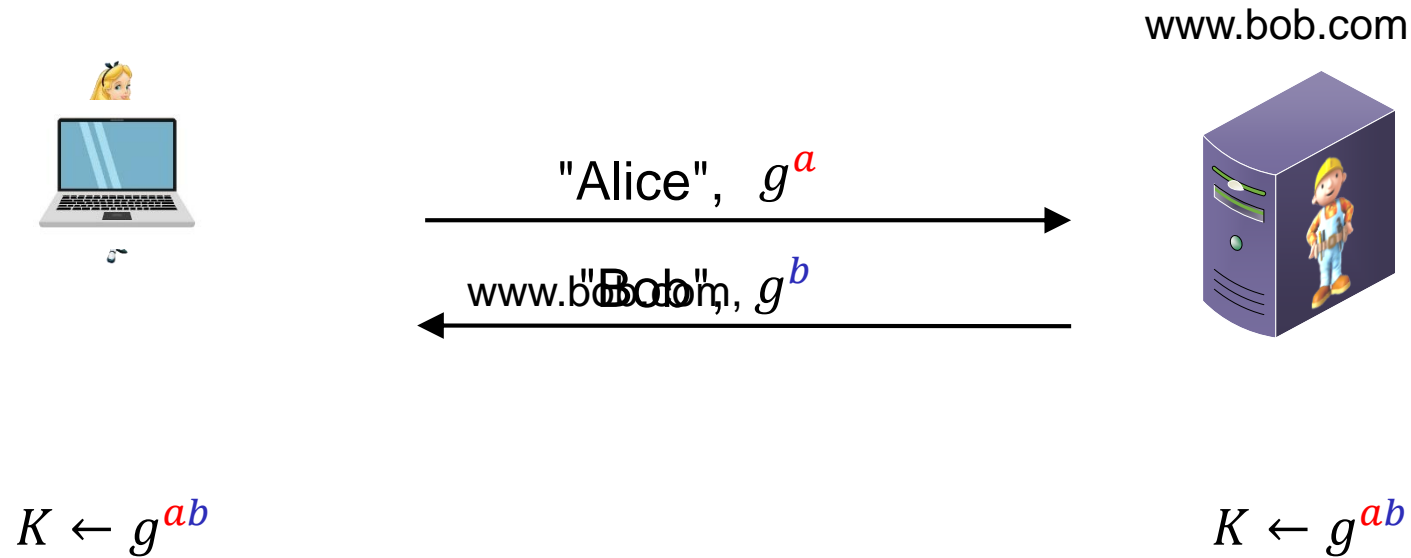
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How do we know that g^a belongs to *this* particular Alice, and g^b to this particular Bob?

Need to **bind** public keys to entities

Identities on the internet

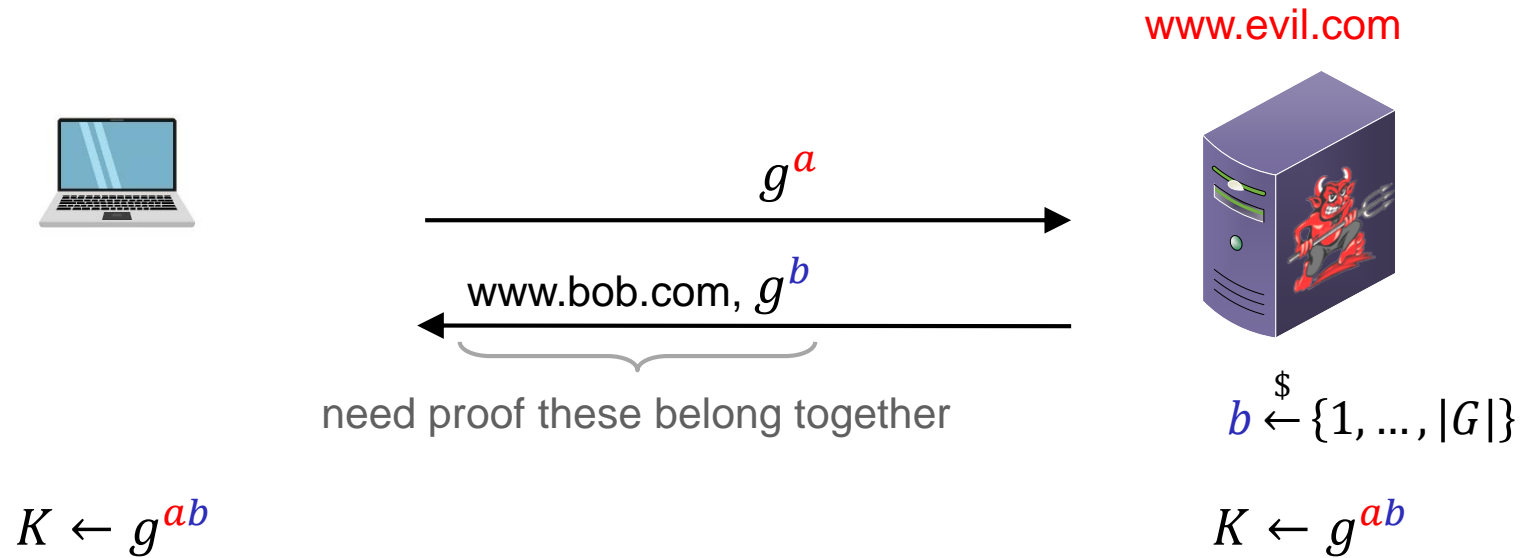


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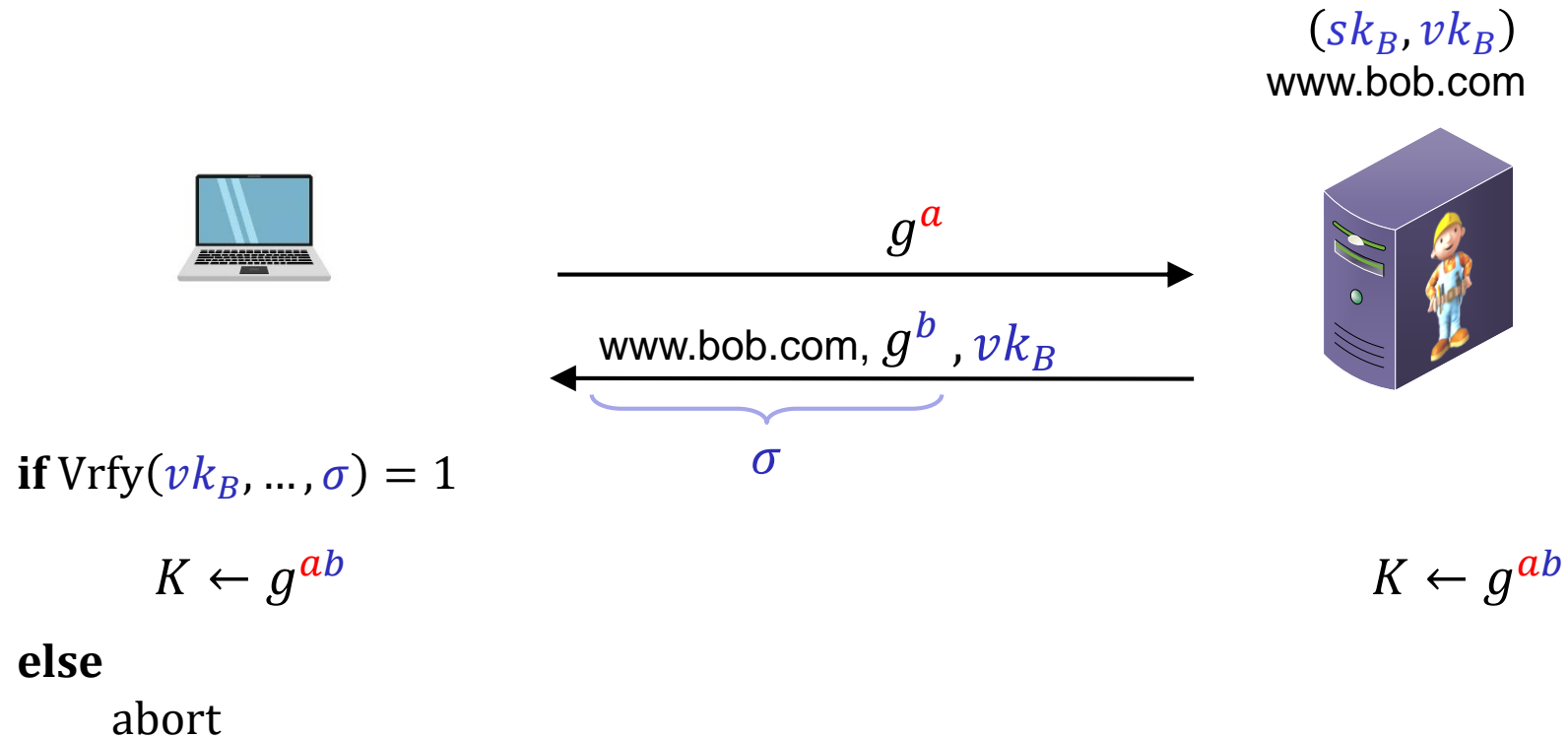


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Authenticated key exchange



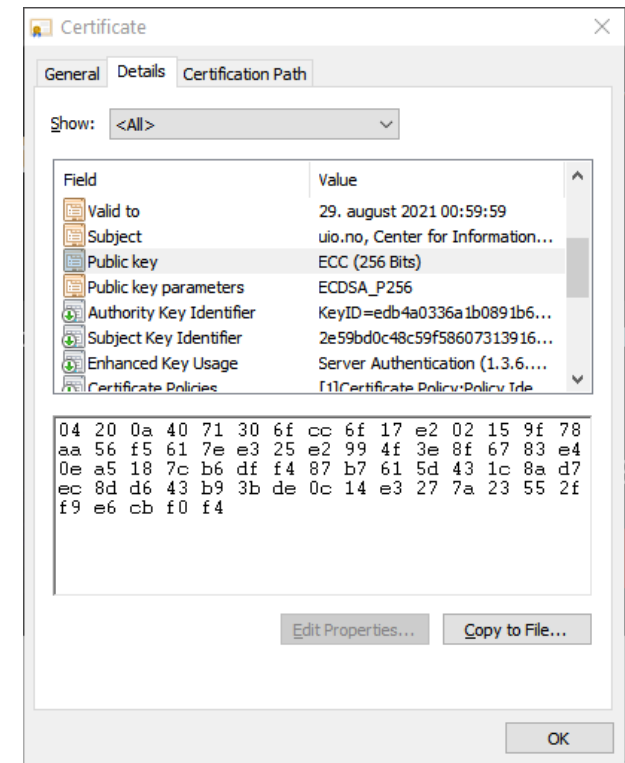
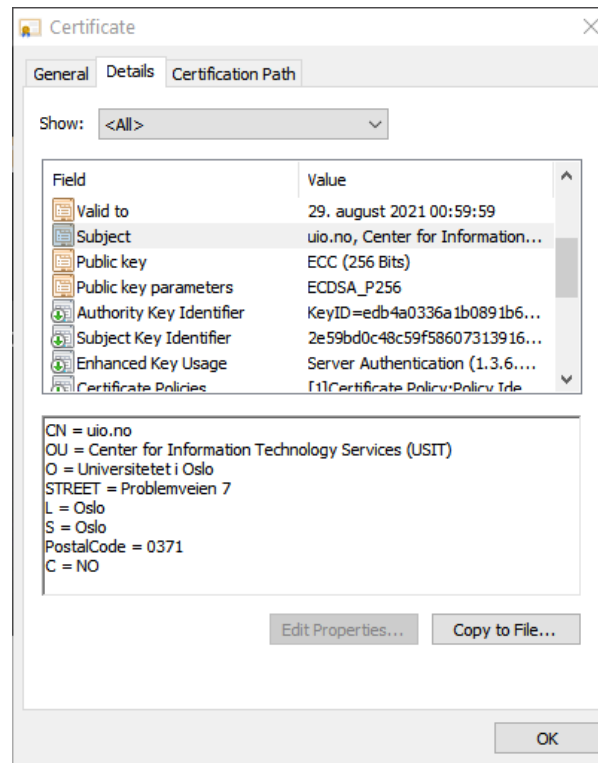
But why should we trust this vk_B ? Could have been created by the adversary itself

Digital certificates

- **Digital certificate:** a way of binding a public key to an entity
- A certificate consists of:
 - The public key of the entity
 - A bunch of information identifying the entity
 - Name
 - Address
 - Occupation
 - URL
 - Email-address
 - Phone number
 - ...
 - A *digital signature* on all the above by a **certificate authority (CA)**



Digital certificates




Certificate authorities (CA)

- **CA:** an issuer of digital certificates
- Acts as a trusted third-party, certifying (i.e., signing) the public keys of other entities
 - Verifies the identity of a claimed public-key owner
- The basis of a **public-key infrastructure (PKI)**



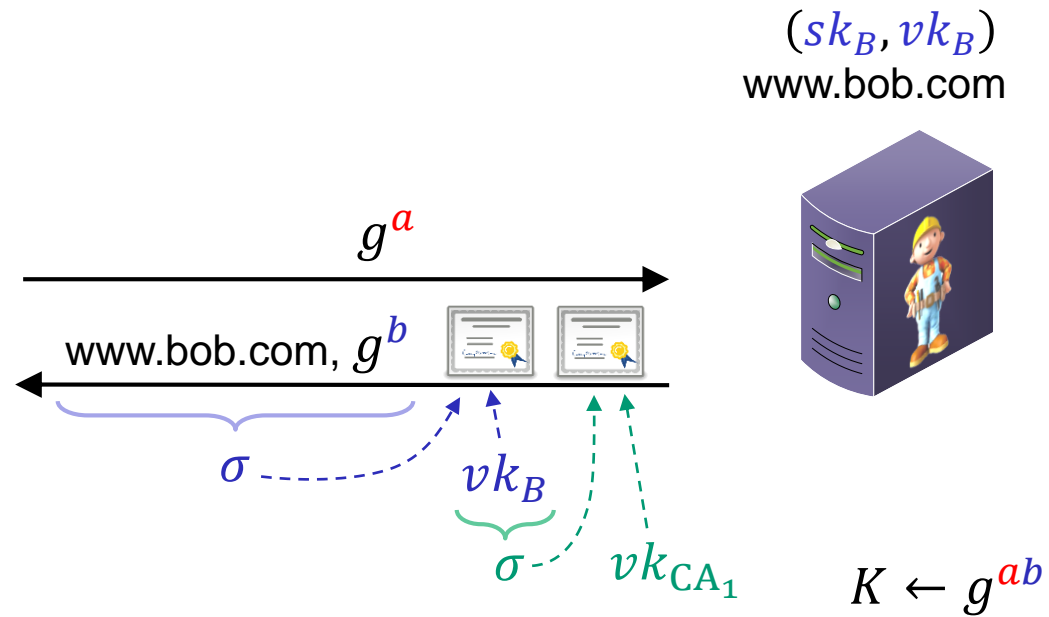
HTTPS / TLS + PKI

vk_{CA_1} 

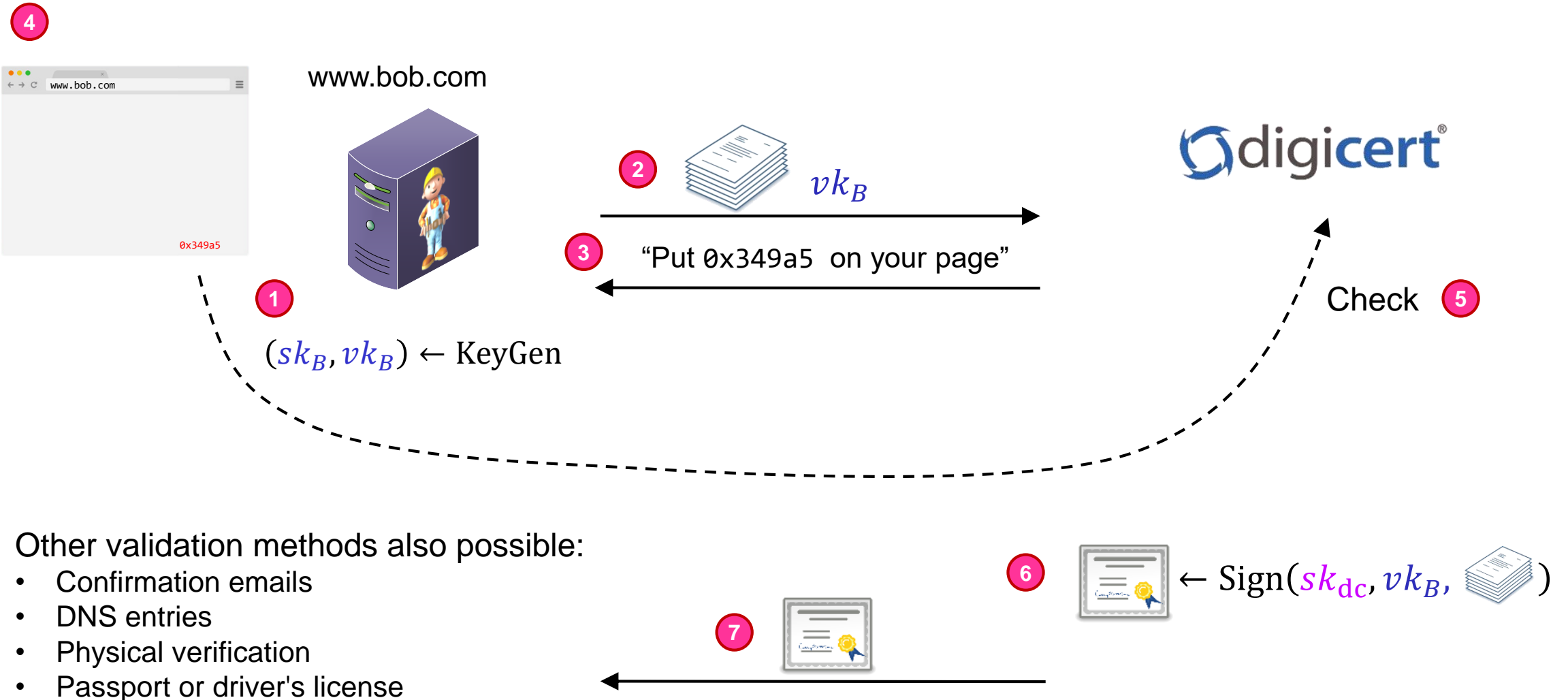
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How to get a signed certificate?



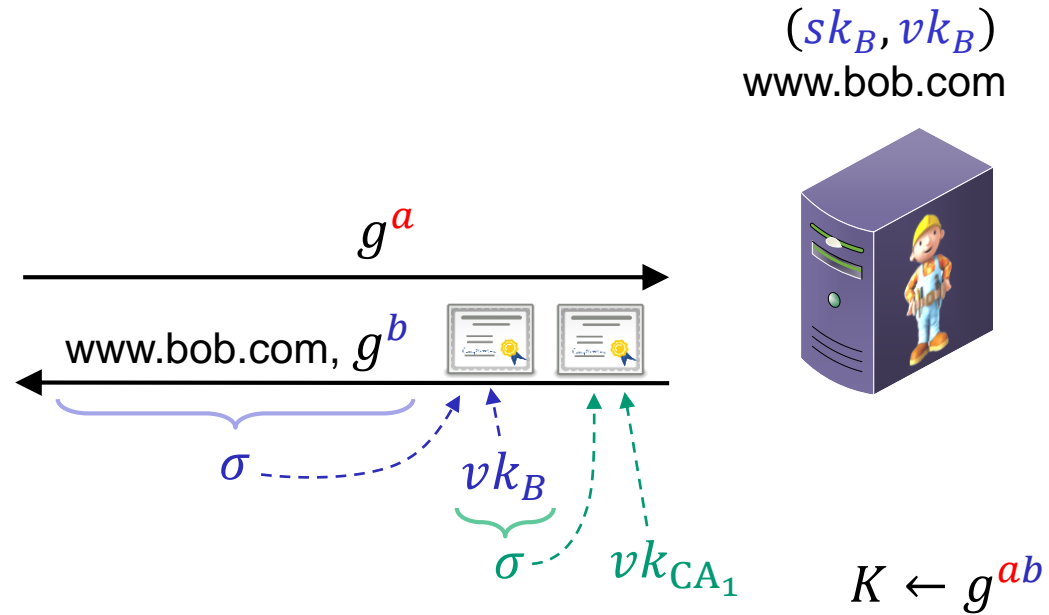
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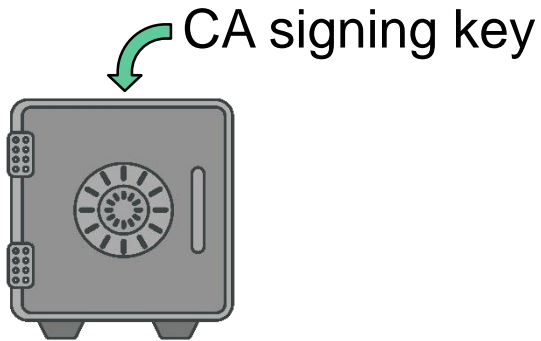
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Root CAs

- **Root CAs:** CAs that sign other CAs' public keys
 - + only a few root CAs need to be trusted by end-users
 - + root CAs can distribute the signing + verification load to smaller CAs
 - single point of failure; private key must be *very heavily* guarded
- Root CAs for the internet: a few large multinational corporations



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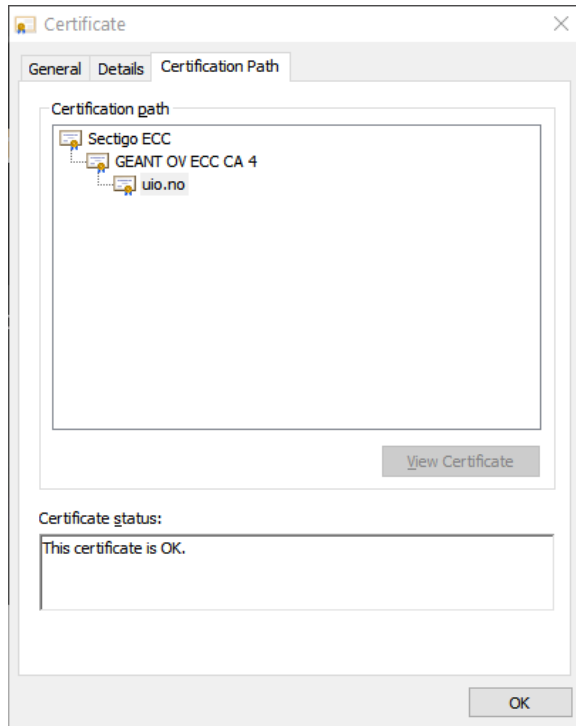
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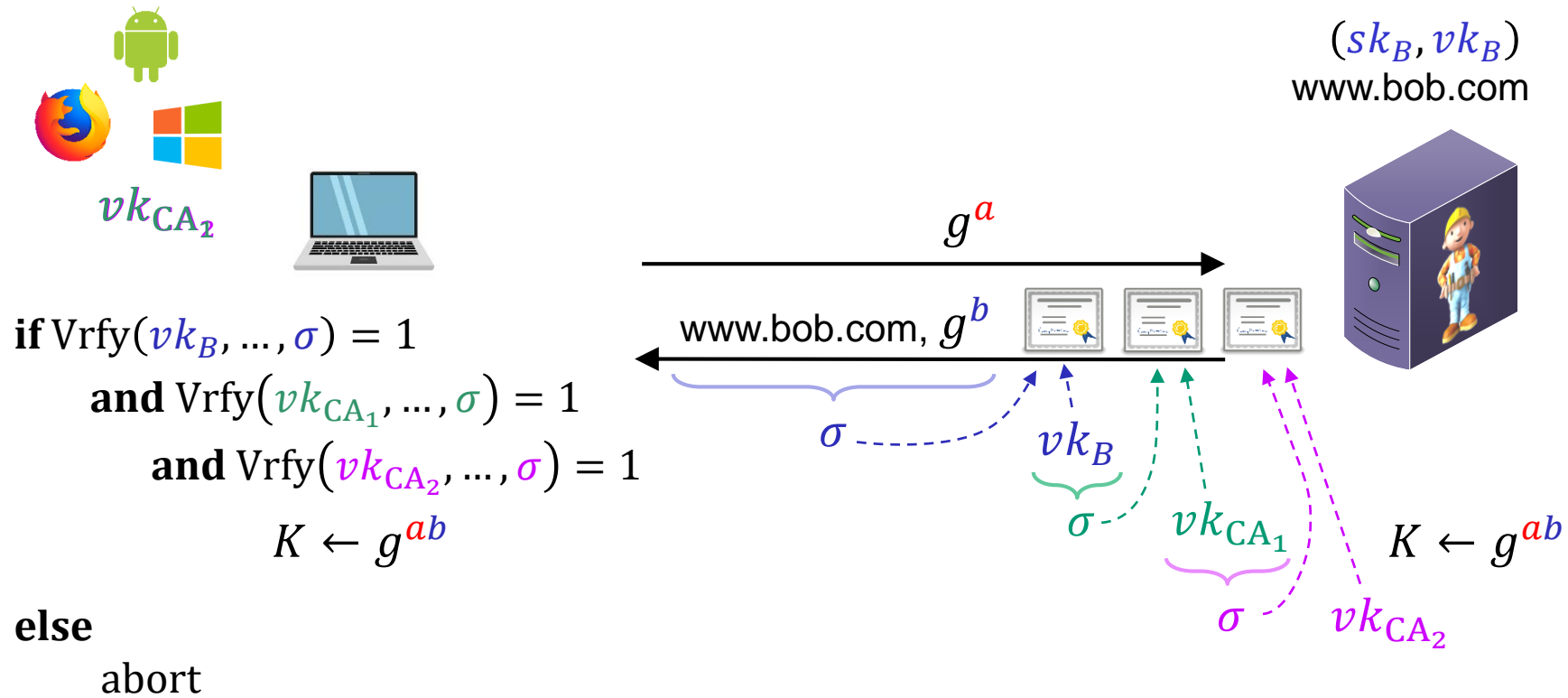


 **Let's Encrypt**

Certificate chains



HTTPS / TLS + PKI



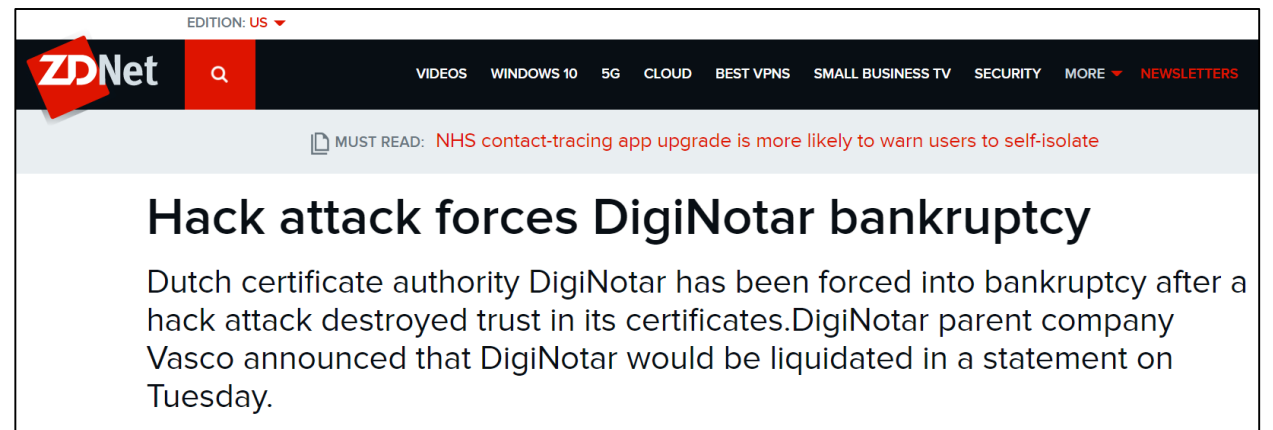
How to become an internet root CA?

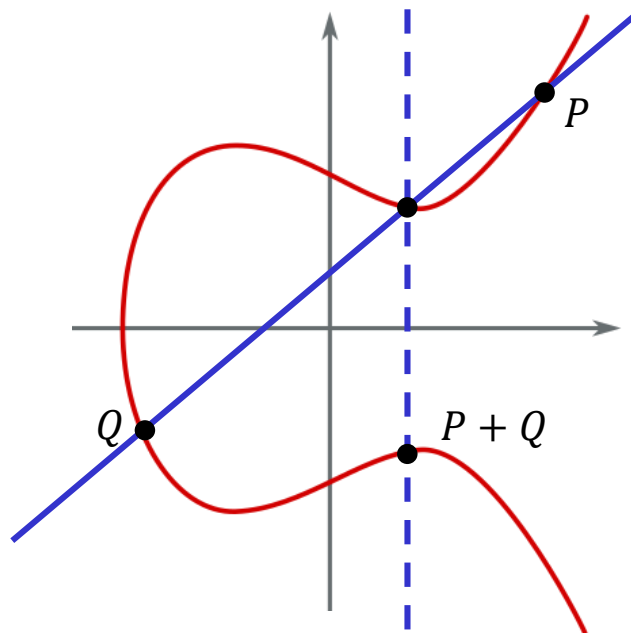
- Need to prove yourself (trust)worthy to browser and OS vendors
 - [Microsoft Root Certificate Program](#)
 - [Mozilla CA Certificate Program](#)
 - [Apple Root Certificate Program](#)
- Lot's of auditing and paperwork
- Many formal technical and non-technical security requirements
 - CA/Browser forum
 - [Baseline Requirements v1.7.3](#)



DigiNotar

- Dutch root CA
- Lost control of their private signing key in 2011
- Fraudulent certificates issued for Gmail, Yahoo!, Mozilla, WordPress, ...
- 30 000 Iranian Gmail users targeted





$$y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$$

$$a, b, x, y \in \mathbf{R}$$

End of Part II
(Asymmetric crypto)

Summary of asymmetric cryptography

Primitive	Functionality + syntax	Hardness assumption / security goal	Acronym	Examples
Diffie-Hellman	Derive shared value (key) in a cyclic group $A^b = g^{ab} = B^a$	Discrete logarithm (DLOG) Diffie-Hellman (DH) Decisional Diffie-Hellman (DDH)	PRF	(\mathbf{Z}_p^*, \cdot) –DH $(E(\mathbf{F}_p), +)$ –DH
RSA function	One-way trapdoor function/permutation	Factoring problem RSA-problem		Textbook RSA
Public-key encryption	Encrypt variable-length input $\text{Enc} : \mathcal{PK} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$	Confidentiality: attacker should learn nothing about plaintext (except length) from ciphertexts	IND-CPA IND-CCA	ElGamal Padded RSA Fujisaki-Okamoto-transform
Digital signatures	Produce signature on variable length input $\text{Sign} : \mathcal{SK} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ $\text{Vrfy} : \mathcal{VK} \times \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \{1,0\}$	Integrity: attacker shouldn't be able to forge messages, i.e., create new messages with valid signatures	UF-CMA	Schnorr Hashed-RSA ECDSA

Cryptographic groups	Comment	Computational problem	Best-known attack	Common sizes
(\mathbf{Z}_p^*, \cdot)	p prime $ \mathbf{Z}_p^* = p - 1$	Discrete logarithm	General number field sieve (GNFS)	$ p \approx 2000\text{--}3000$ bits
Subgroups $H < (\mathbf{Z}_p^*, \cdot)$	$ H = q$ (typically prime)	Discrete logarithm	GNFS	$ q \approx 256$ bits
$(E(\mathbf{F}_p), +)$	p prime $ E(\mathbf{F}_p) = q$ (typically) prime $p \neq q$	Discrete logarithm	Generic attacks: Baby-step giant-step, Pollard-rho, Pohlig-Hellman	$ E(\mathbf{F}_p) \approx 256$ bits $ p \approx 256$ bits
(\mathbf{Z}_n^*, \cdot)	n not prime $ \mathbf{Z}_n^* = \phi(n)$	Factoring	GNFS	$ n \approx 2000\text{--}4000$ bits

Next week

- Quantum computers

