

CIS 5560

Cryptography Lecture 18

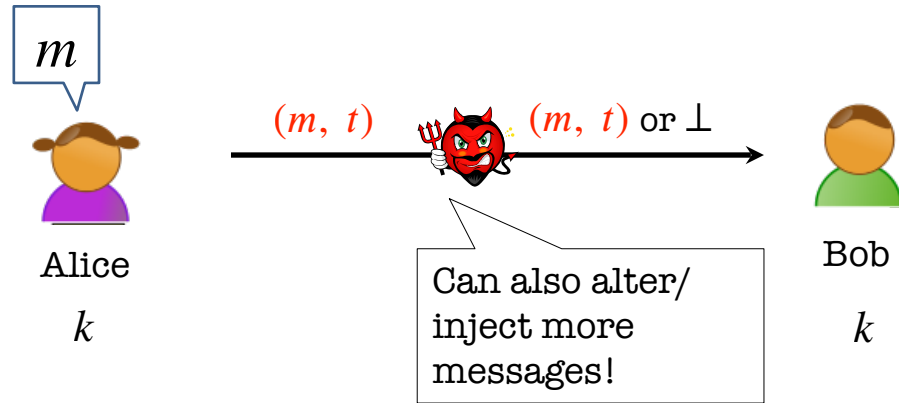
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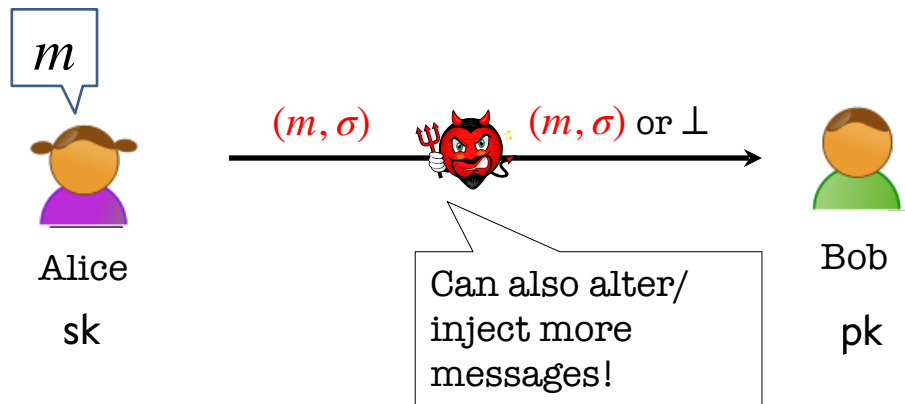
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Symmetric-key Message Authentication



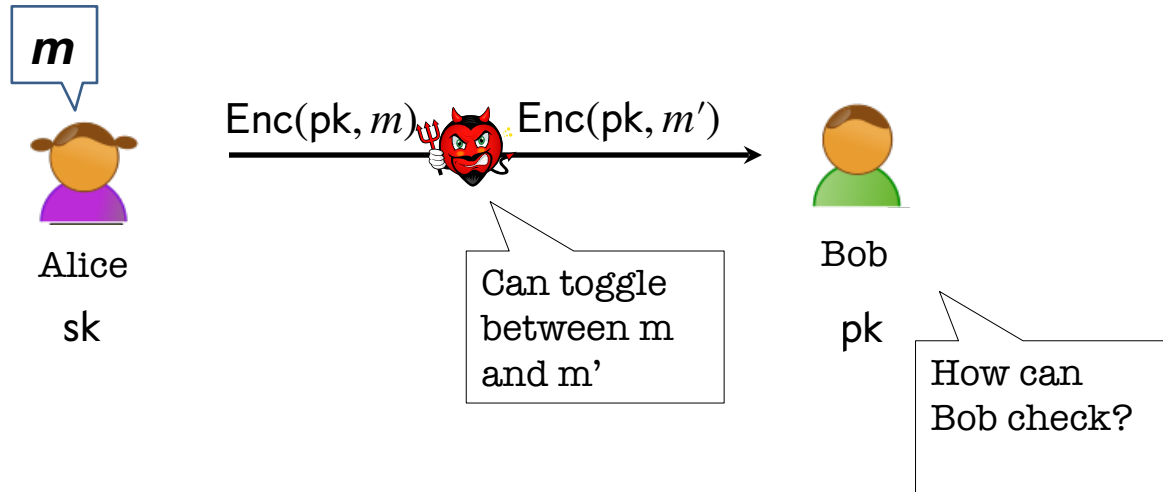
We want Alice to generate a **tag** for the message m which is **hard to generate** without the secret key k .

Public-key Message Authentication?



We want Alice to generate a **signature** for the message m which is **hard to forge** without the secret/signing key sk .

Does PKE not solve this?



Anybody can encrypt, and no way for recipient to check.

New primitive: Digital Signatures

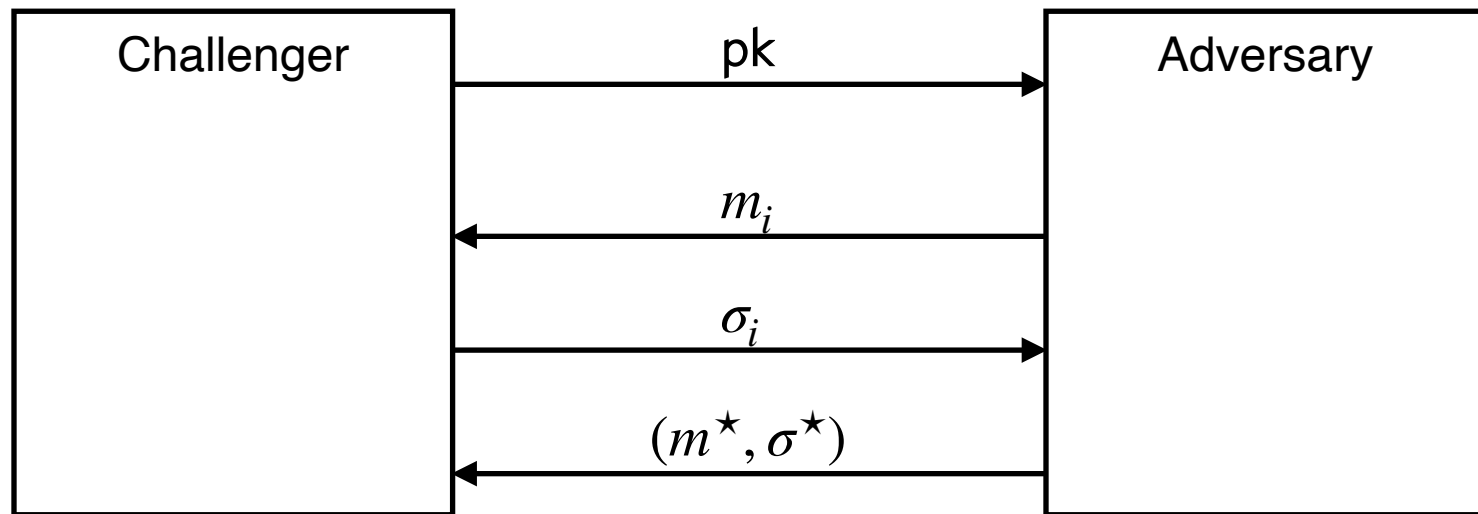
Digital Signatures: Definition

A triple of PPT algorithms (**Gen**, **Sign**, **Verify**) such that

- Key generation: **Gen**(1^n) \rightarrow (sk, pk)
- Message signing: **Sign**(sk, m) $\rightarrow \sigma$
- Signature verification: **Verify**(pk, m , σ) $\rightarrow b \in \{0,1\}$

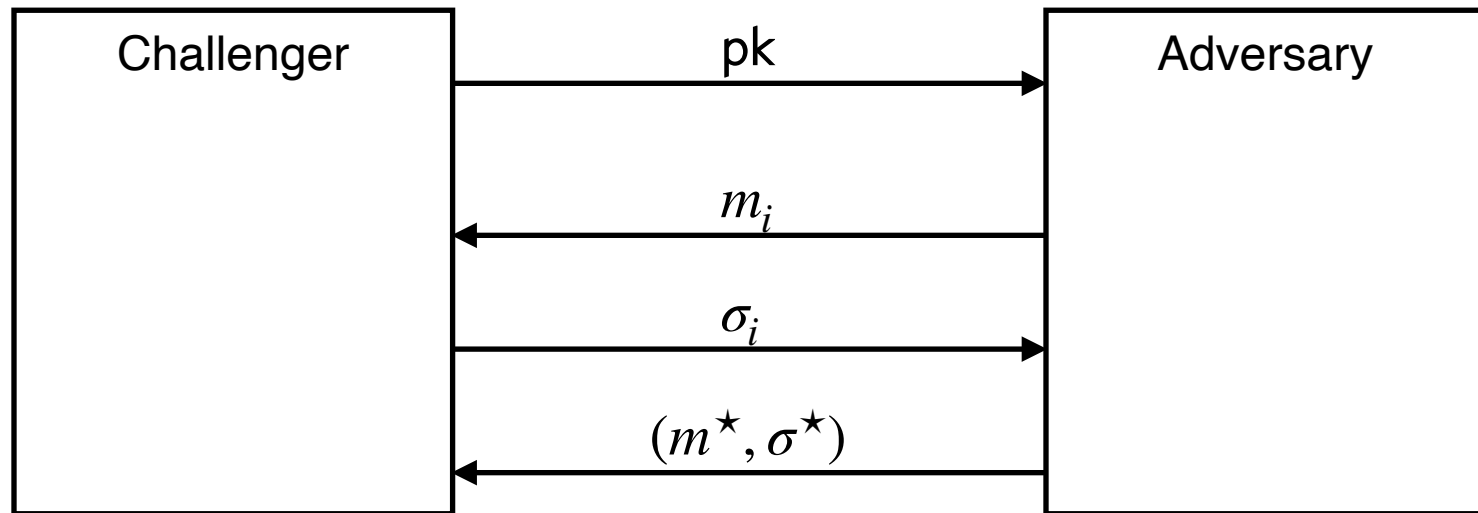
Correctness: For all vk, sk, m : **Verify**(pk, m , **Sign**(sk, m)) = 1

EUF-CMA for Signatures



$$\Pr \left[\begin{array}{c} m^* \notin \{m_i\} \\ \text{and} \\ \text{Verify}(pk, m^*, \sigma^*) = 1 \end{array} \right] = \text{negl}(\lambda)$$

Strong EUF-CMA for Signatures



$$\Pr \left[\begin{array}{l} (m^*, \sigma^*) \notin \{(m_i, \sigma_i)\} \\ \text{and} \\ \text{Verify}(pk, m^*, \sigma^*) = 1 \end{array} \right] = \text{negl}(\lambda)$$

Digital Signatures vs. MACs

Signatures

n users require n key-pairs

Publicly Verifiable

Transferable

Provides Non-Repudiation

(is this a good thing or a bad thing?)

MACs

n users require n^2 keys

Privately Verifiable

Not Transferable

Does not provide Non-Rep.

Let $(\text{Gen}, \text{Sign}, V)$ be a signature scheme.

Suppose an attacker is able to find $m_0 \neq m_1$ such that

$$V(\text{pk}, m_0, \sigma) = V(\text{pk}, m_1, \sigma) \quad \text{for all } \sigma \text{ and keys } (\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \leftarrow \text{Gen}$$

Can this signature be secure?

- ☐ Yes, the attacker cannot forge a signature for either m_0 or m_1
- ☐ No, signatures can be forged using a chosen msg attack
- ☐ It depends on the details of the scheme

Alice generates a (pk, sk) and gives pk to her bank.

Later Bob shows the bank a message $m = \text{"pay Bob 100\$"}'$ properly signed by Alice, i.e. $\text{Verify}(pk, m, \text{sig}) = 1$

Alice says she never signed m . Is Alice lying?

- Alice is lying: existential unforgeability means Alice signed m and therefore the Bank should give Bob 100\$ from Alice's account
- Bob could have stolen Alice's signing key and therefore the bank should not honor the statement
- What a mess: the bank will need to refer the issue to the courts

Applications

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Code signing:

- Software vendor signs code
- Clients have vendor's pk. Install software if signature verifies.

software vendor



initial software install (pk)

[software update #1 , sig]

[software update #2 , sig]

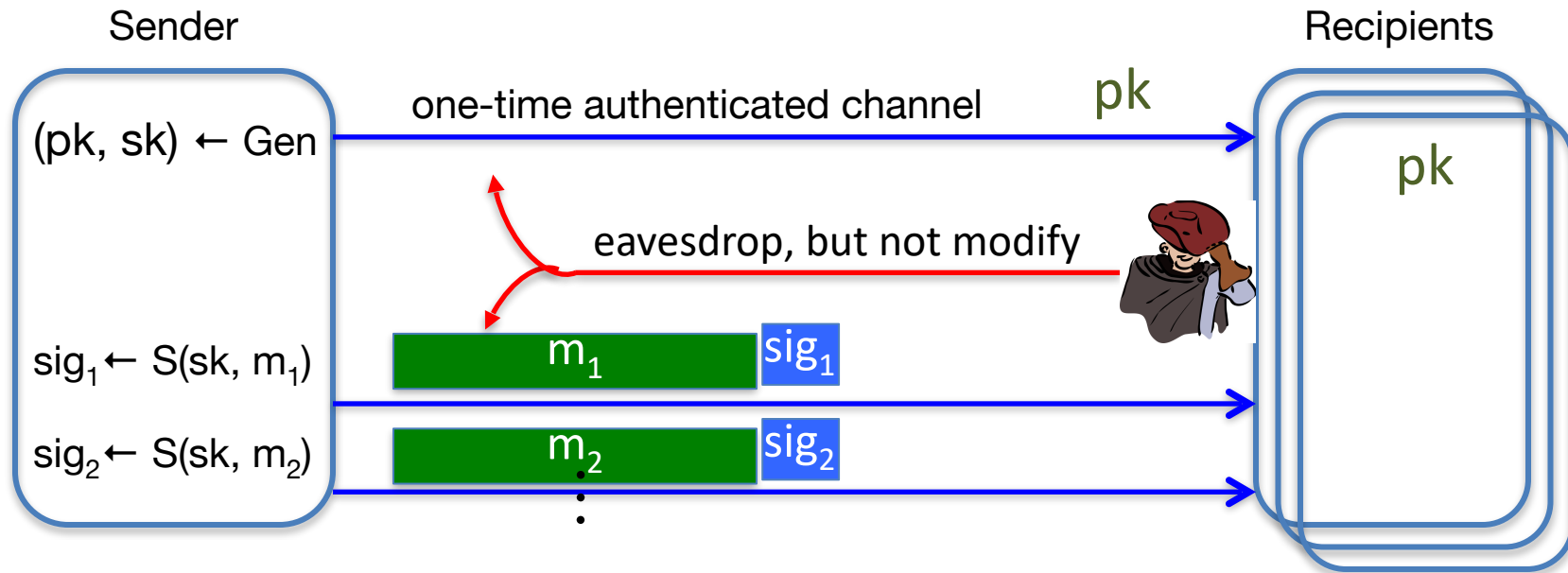
many clients



More generally:

One-time authenticated channel (non-private, one-directional)
 \Rightarrow many-time authenticated channel

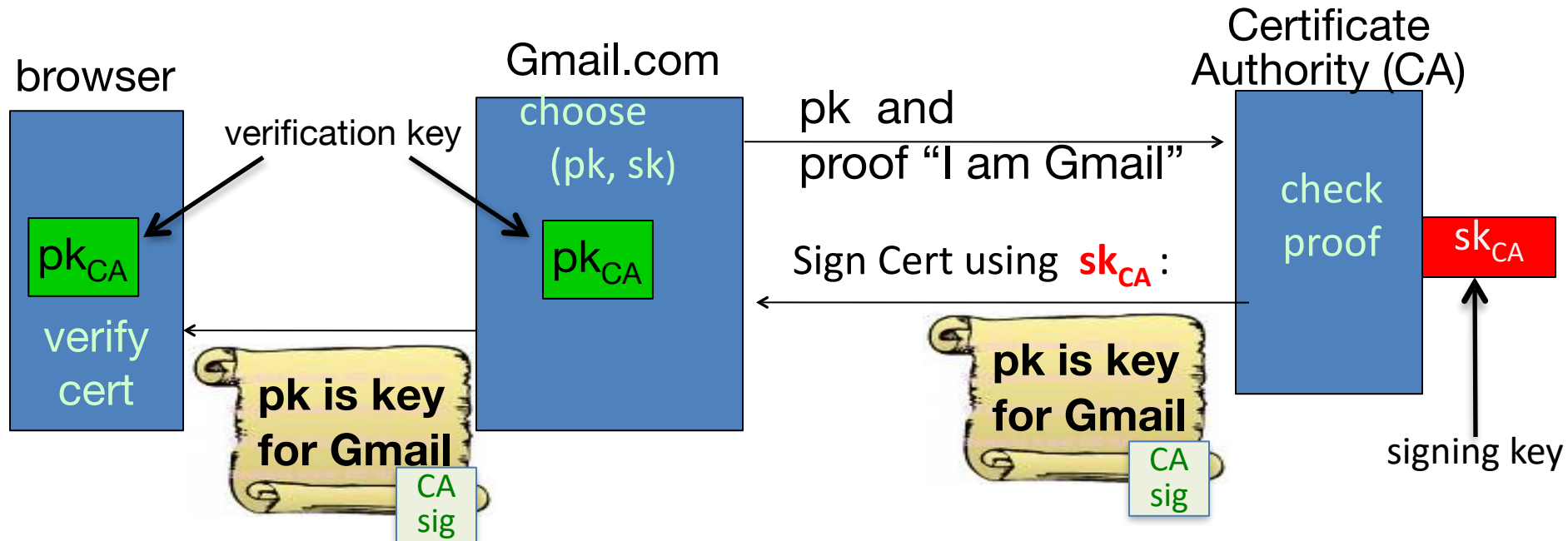
Initial software install is authenticated, but not private



Important application: Certificates

Problem: browser needs server's public-key to setup a session key

Solution: server asks trusted 3rd party (CA) to sign its public-key pk




Server uses Cert for an extended period (e.g. one year)

Certificates: example

Important fields:

Serial Number	5814744488373890497	←
Version	3	
Signature Algorithm	SHA-1 with RSA Encryption (1.2.840.113549.1.1.5)	
Parameters	none	
Not Valid Before	Wednesday, July 31, 2013 4:59:24 AM Pacific Daylight Time	
Not Valid After	Thursday, July 31, 2014 4:59:24 AM Pacific Daylight Time	
Public Key Info		
Algorithm	Elliptic Curve Public Key (1.2.840.10045.2.1)	
Parameters	Elliptic Curve secp256r1 (1.2.840.10045.3.1.7)	
Public Key	65 bytes : 04 71 6C DD E0 0A C9 76 ...	←
Key Size	256 bits	
Key Usage	Encrypt, Verify, Derive	
Signature	256 bytes : 8A 38 FE D6 F5 E7 F6 59 ...	←

Equifax Secure Certificate Authority
↳ GeoTrust Global CA
↳ Google Internet Authority G2
↳ mail.google.com

 **mail.google.com**
Issued by: Google Internet Authority G2
Expires: Thursday, July 31, 2014 4:59:24 AM Pacific Daylight Time
✔ This certificate is valid

▼ **Details**

Subject Name	
Country	US
State/Province	California
Locality	Mountain View
Organization	Google Inc
Common Name	mail.google.com ←
Issuer Name	
Country	US
Organization	Google Inc
Common Name	Google Internet Authority G2

What entity generates the CA's secret key sk_{CA} ?

- ☐ the browser
- ☐ Gmail
- ☐ the CA
- ☐ the NSA

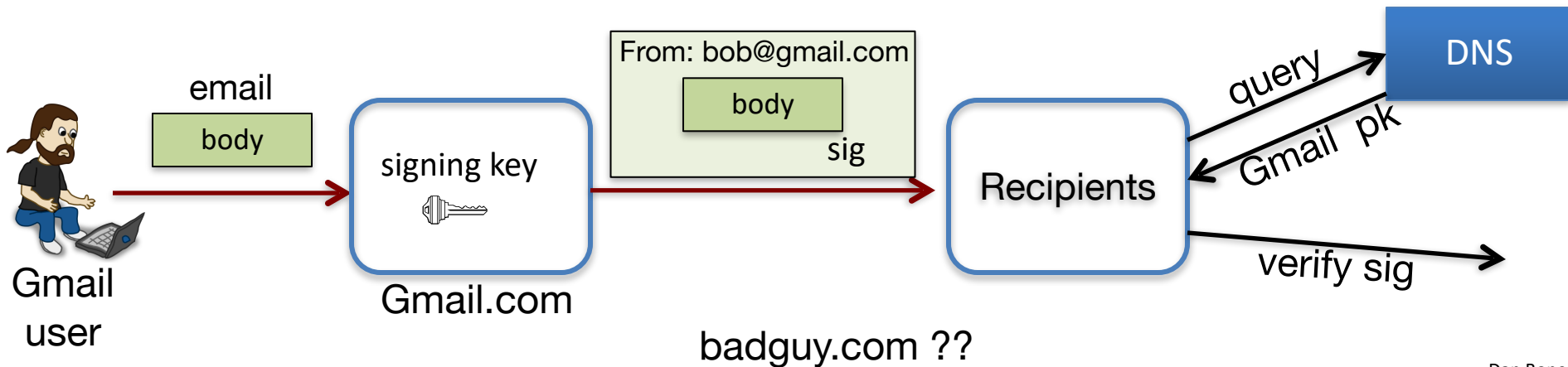
Signing email: DKIM (domain key identified mail)

Problem: bad email claiming to be from **someuser@gmail.com**

but in reality, mail is coming from domain **badguy.com**

⇒ Incorrectly makes gmail.com look like a bad source of email

Solution: **gmail.com** (and other sites) sign every outgoing mail



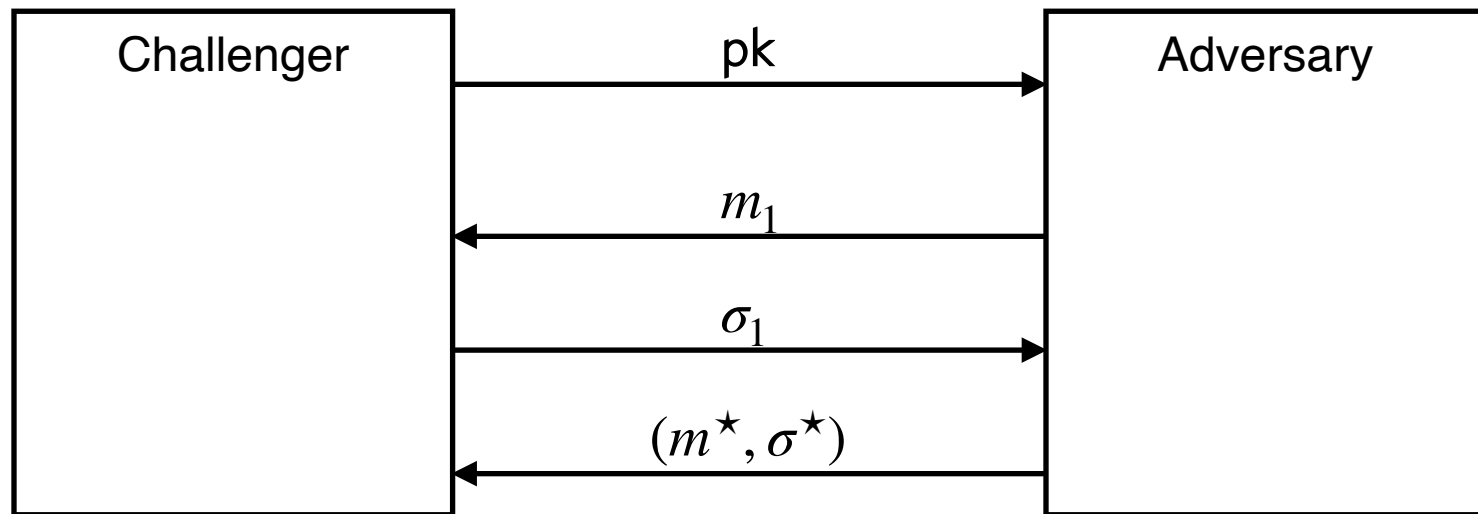
When to use signatures

Generally speaking:

- If one party signs and one party verifies: **use a MAC**
 - Often requires interaction to generate a shared key
 - Recipient can modify the data and re-sign it before passing the data to a 3rd party
- If one party signs and many parties verify: **use a signature**
 - Recipients **cannot** modify received data before passing data to a 3rd party (non-repudiation)

Constructions

Simpler Goal: EUF-CMA for *1-time Signatures*



$$\Pr \left[\begin{array}{c} m^* \neq m_1 \\ \text{and} \\ \text{Verify}(pk, m^*, \sigma^*) = 1 \end{array} \right] = \text{negl}(\lambda)$$

Lamport (One-time) Signatures from OWFs

Signing Key $sk: \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix}$

Public Key $pk: \begin{pmatrix} y_0 = f(x_0) \\ y_1 = f(x_1) \end{pmatrix}$

Signing a bit b : The signature is $\sigma = x_b$

Verifying (b, σ) : Check if $f(\sigma) = y_b$

Claim: Assuming f is a OWF, no PPT adversary can produce a signature of \bar{b} given a signature of b .

Lamport One-time Signatures for n -bit msgs

Secret Key sk : $\begin{pmatrix} x_{1,0} & x_{2,0} & \dots & x_{n,0} \\ x_{1,1} & x_{1,1} & \dots & x_{n,1} \end{pmatrix}$

Public Key pk : $\begin{pmatrix} y_{1,0} & y_{2,0} & \dots & y_{n,0} \\ y_{1,1} & y_{2,1} & \dots & y_{n,1} \end{pmatrix}$ where $y_{i,b} = f(x_{i,b})$.

Signing $m = (m_1, \dots, m_n)$: $\sigma = (x_{1,m_1}, x_{2,m_2}, \dots, x_{n,m_n})$

Claim: Assuming f is a OWF, no PPT adv can produce a signature of m given a signature of a single $m' \neq m$.

Claim: Can forge signature on any message given the signatures on (some) two messages.

Lamport (One-time) Signatures for arbitrary bits

Secret Key sk :
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{1,0} & x_{2,0} & \dots & x_{n,0} \\ x_{1,1} & x_{1,1} & \dots & x_{n,1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Public Key pk :
$$\begin{pmatrix} y_{1,0} & y_{2,0} & \dots & y_{n,0} \\ y_{1,1} & y_{2,1} & \dots & y_{n,1} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where } y_{i,b} = f(x_{i,b}).$$

Signing m :
1. $z := H(m)$
2. $\sigma = (z_{1,m_1}, z_{2,m_2}, \dots, z_{n,m_n})$

Claim: Assuming H is CRH and f is a OWF, no PPT adv can produce a signature of m given a signature of a single $m' \neq m$.

Claim: Can forge signature on any message given the signatures on (some) two messages.

So far, only one-time security...

Constructing a Signature Scheme

Step 0. Still one-time, but arbitrarily long messages.

Step 1. Many-time: Stateful, Growing Signatures.

Step 2. How to Shrink the signatures.

Step 3. How to Shrink Alice's storage.

Step 4. How to make Alice stateless.

Step 5 (*optional*). How to make Alice stateless and deterministic.

Constructing a Signature Scheme

Theorem [Naor-Yung'89, Rompel'90]

(EUF-CMA-secure) Signature schemes exist assuming that one-way functions exist.

TODAY:

(EUF-CMA-secure) Signature schemes exist assuming that collision-resistant hash functions exist.