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Crypto, Secure Email, SSL, IPSec, Wireless Security, and Operational Security

NETWORK SECURITY

Slides derived from those available on the Web site of the book "Computer Networking", by Kurose and Ross, PEARSON

Chapter 8: Network Security

Chapter goals:

- understand principles of network security:
  - cryptography and its *many* uses beyond "confidentiality"
  - authentication
  - message integrity
- security in practice:
  - firewalls and intrusion detection systems
  - security in application, transport, network, link layers

Chapter 8 Outline

8.1 What is network security?

8.2 Principles of cryptography

8.3 Message integrity and End-Point Authentication

8.4 Securing e-mail

8.5 Securing TCP connections: SSL

8.6 Network layer security: IPsec

8.7 Securing wireless LANs

8.8 Operational security: firewalls and IDS

What is network security?

confidentiality: only sender, intended receiver should "understand" message contents

- sender encrypts message
- receiver decrypts message

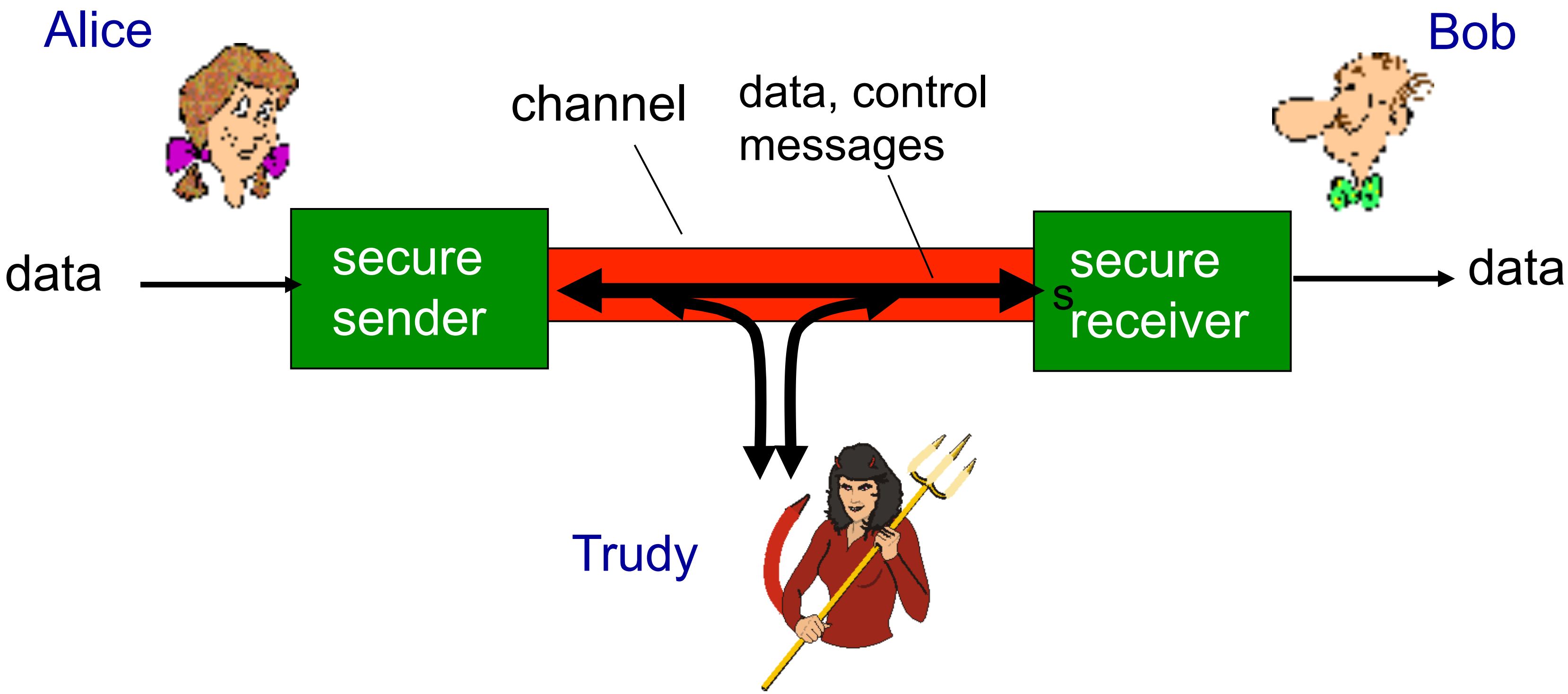
authentication: sender, receiver want to confirm identity of each other

message integrity: sender, receiver want to ensure message not altered (in transit, or afterwards) without detection

access and availability: services must be accessible and available to users

Friends and enemies: Alice, Bob, Trudy

- well-known in network security world
- Bob, Alice (lovers!) want to communicate "securely"
- Trudy (intruder) may intercept, delete, add messages



Who might Bob, Alice be?

- … well, *real-life* Bobs and Alices!
- Web browser/server for electronic transactions (e.g., on-line purchases)
- On-line banking client/server
- DNS servers
- Routers exchanging routing table updates
- Other examples?

There are bad guys (and girls) out there!

Q: What can a "bad guy" do?

A: A lot! Review section 1.6

- *eavesdrop:* intercept messages
- actively *insert* messages into connection
- *impersonation:* can fake (spoof) source address in packet (or any field in packet)
- *hijacking:* "take over" ongoing connection by removing sender or receiver, inserting himself in place
- *denial of service:* prevent service from being used by others (e.g., by overloading resources)

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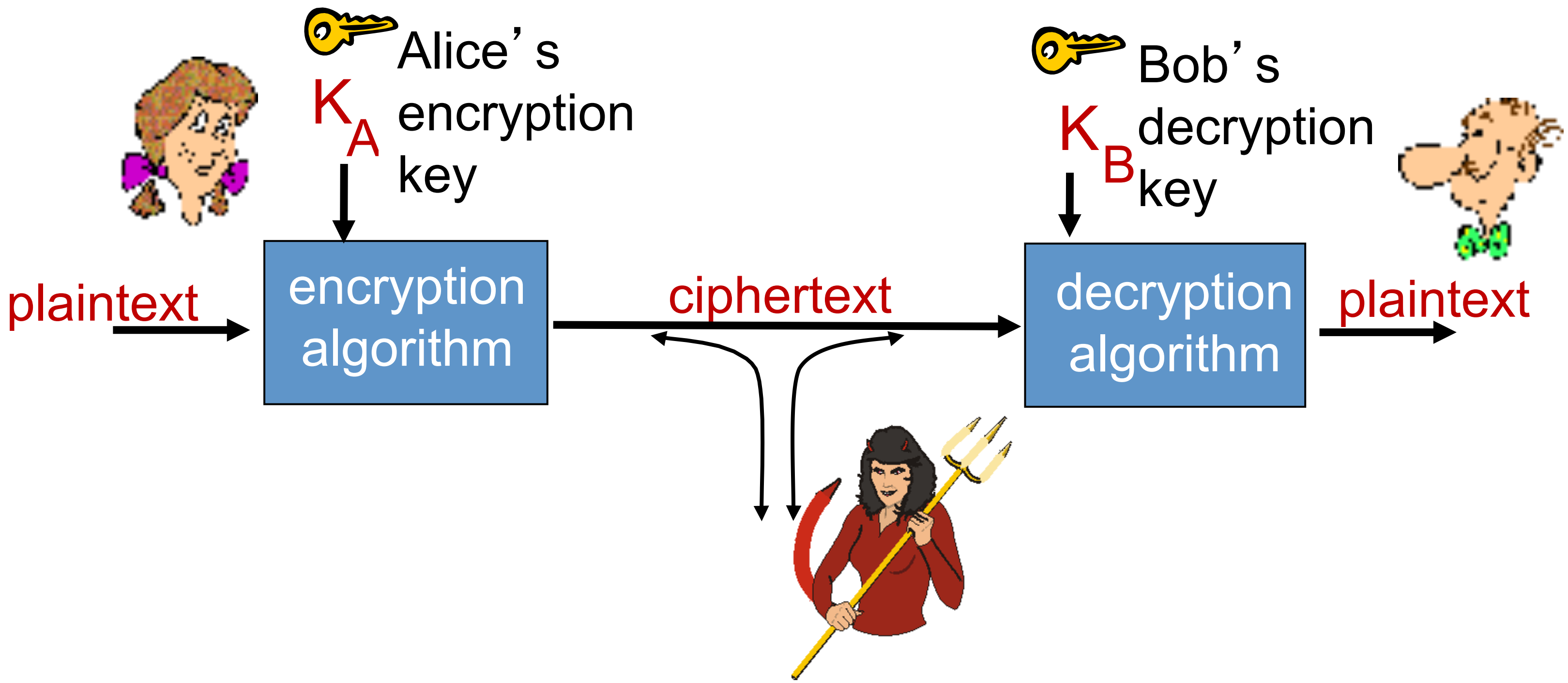
The language of cryptography



m plaintext message

$K_A(m)$ ciphertext, encrypted with key K_A

$m = K_B(K_A(m))$

Breaking an encryption scheme

- cipher-text only attack: Trudy has ciphertext she can analyze
- two approaches:
  - brute force: search through all keys
  - statistical analysis
- known-plaintext attack: Trudy has plaintext corresponding to ciphertext
  - e.g., in monoalphabetic cipher, Trudy determines pairings for a,l,i,c,e,b,o,
- chosen-plaintext attack: Trudy can get ciphertext for chosen plaintext

Basic Classification Encryption Schemes

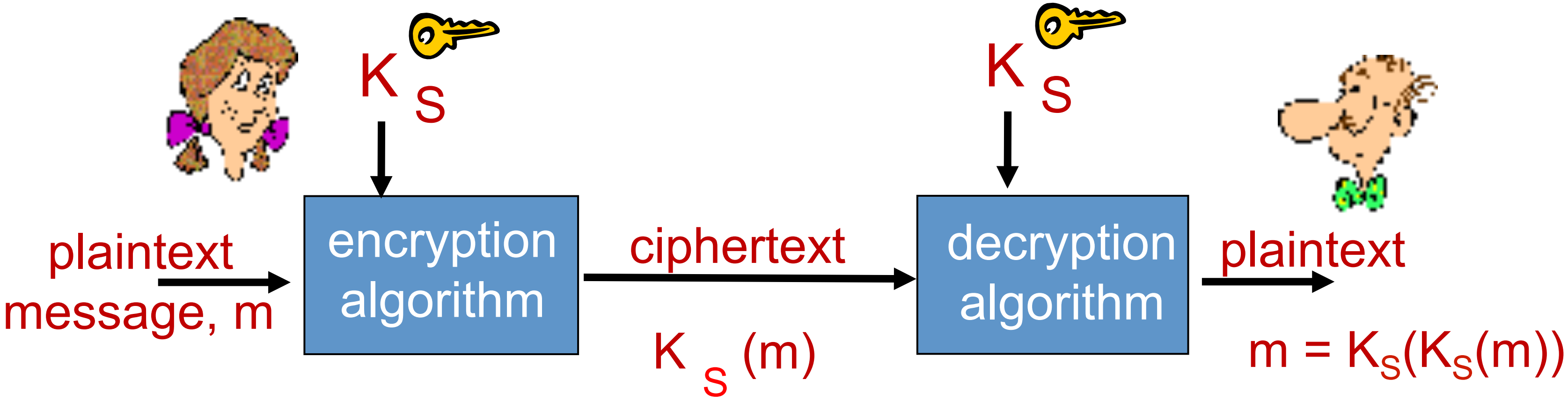
- Symmetric-key encryption
  - It is easy to compute K' from K (and vice versa)
  - Usually K' = K
  - Two main types:
    - **Stream ciphers** – operate on individual characters of the plaintext
    - **Block ciphers** – process the plaintext in larger blocks of characters

- Asymmetric-key encryption
  - it is hard (computationally infeasible) to compute K' from K
  - K can be made public (→ public-key cryptography)

Types of Cryptography

- Crypto often uses keys:
  - Algorithm is known to everyone
  - Only "keys" are secret
- Public key cryptography
  - Involves the use of two keys
- Symmetric key cryptography
  - Involves the use one key
- Hash functions
  - Involves the use of no keys
  - Nothing secret: How can this be useful?

Symmetric Key Cryptography



Symmetric key crypto: Bob and Alice share same (symmetric) key: K_S

- e.g., key is knowing substitution pattern in mono alphabetic substitution cipher

Q: how do Bob and Alice agree on key value?

Simple encryption scheme

substitution cipher: substituting one thing for another

– monoalphabetic cipher: substitute one letter for another

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 plaintext:   abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

ciphertext:   mnbvcxzasdfghjklpoiuytrewq
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e.g.:

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 Plaintext: bob. i love you. alice
ciphertext: nkn. s gktc wky. mgsbc
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Encryption key: mapping from set of 26 letters to set of 26 letters

A More Sophisticated Encryption Approach

- Polyalphabetic Encryption
- n substitution ciphers, $M_1, M_2, \ldots, M_n$
- cycling pattern:
  - e.g., n=4: M_1,M_3,M_4,M_3,M_2; M_1,M_3,M_4,M_3,M_2; ..
- for each new plaintext symbol, use subsequent substitution pattern in cyclic pattern
  - dog: d from M_1, o from M_3, g from M_4

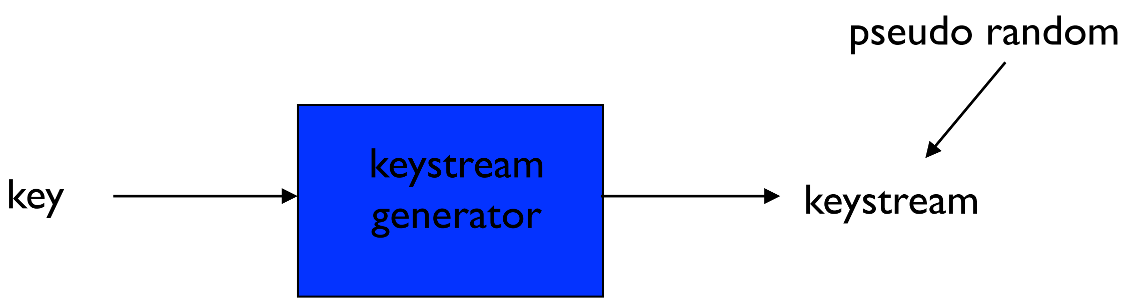
Encryption key: n substitution ciphers, and cyclic pattern

- key need not be just n-bit pattern

Two Types of Symmetric Ciphers

- Stream ciphers
  – encrypt one bit at time
- Block ciphers
  – Break plaintext message in equal-size blocks
  – Encrypt each block as a unit

Stream Ciphers



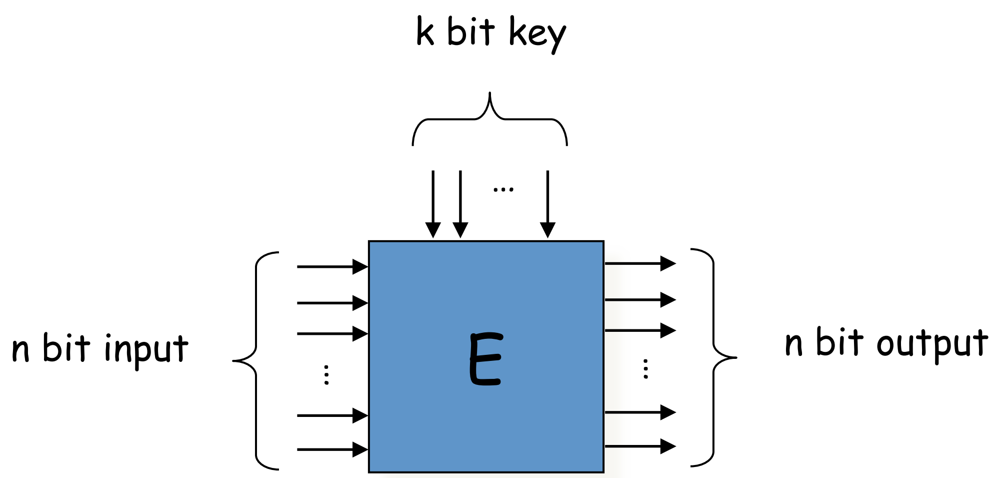
- Combine each bit of keystream with bit of plaintext to get bit of ciphertext
- $m(i)$ = i^{th} bit of message
- $k_s(i)$ = i^{th} bit of keystream
- $c(i)$ = i^{th} bit of ciphertext
- $c(i) = k_s(i) \oplus m(i)$ ($\oplus$ = exclusive or)
- $m(i) = k_s(i) \oplus c(i)$

RC4 Stream Cipher

- RC4 is a popular stream cipher
  - Extensively analyzed and considered good
  - Key can be from 1 to 256 bytes
  - Used in WEP for 802.11
  - Can be used in SSL

Block Ciphers

An n bit block cipher is a function E: $\{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^k \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$, such that for each $K \in \{0,1\}^k$, $E(x, K) = E_K(x)$ is an invertible mapping from $\{0,1\}^n$ to $\{0,1\}^n$



Block ciphers

- Message to be encrypted is processed in blocks of k bits (e.g., 64-bit blocks).
- 1-to-1 mapping is used to map k-bit block of plaintext to k-bit block of ciphertext

Example with k=3:

input	output
000	110
001	111
010	101
011	100

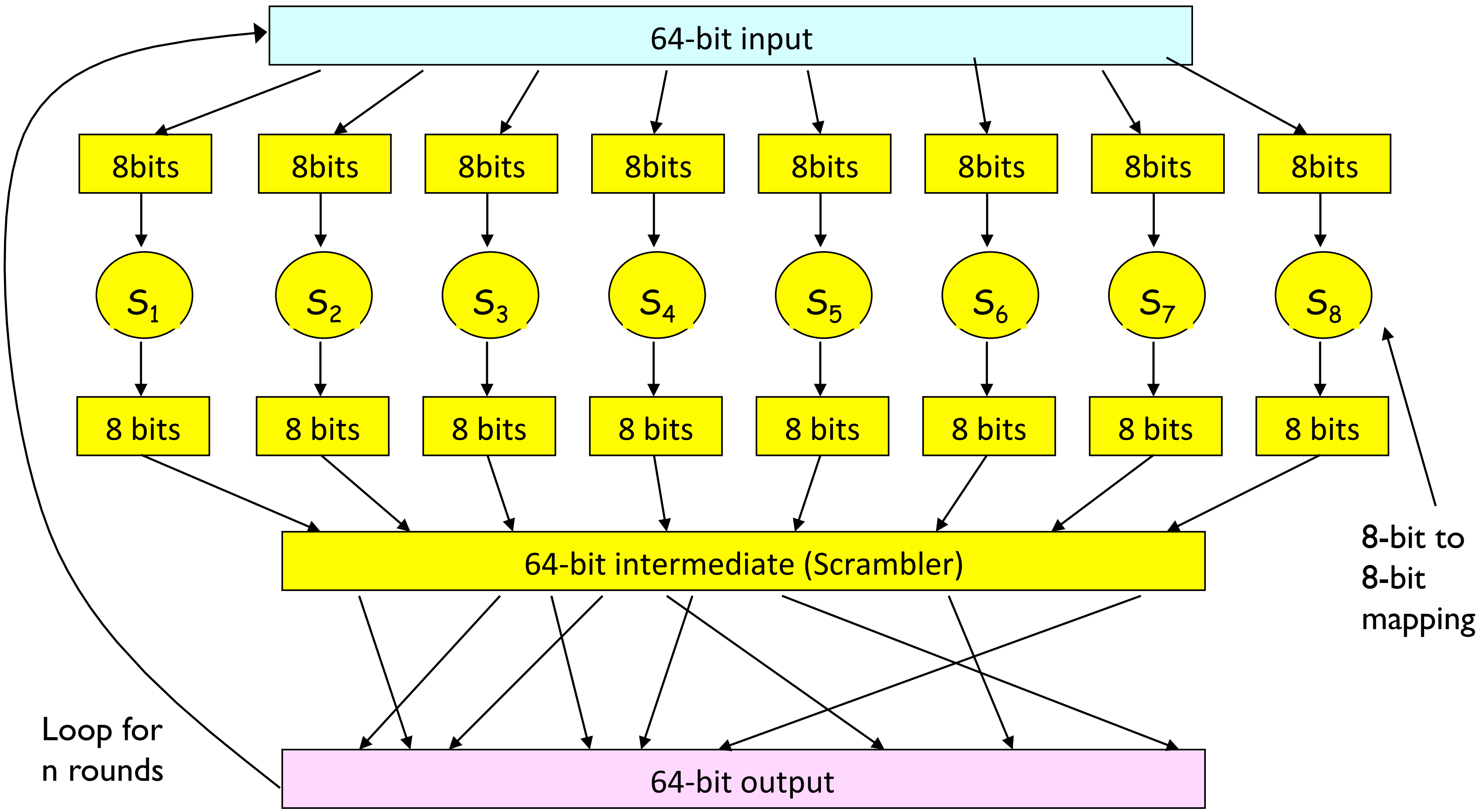
input	output
100	011
101	010
110	000
111	001

What is the ciphertext for 010110001111 ?

Block Ciphers (Number of Possible Key)

- How many possible mappings are there for k=3?
  - How many 3-bit inputs?
  - How many permutations of the 3-bit inputs?
  - Answer: 40,320 ; not very many!
- In general, $2^k!$ mappings; huge for k=64
- Problem:
  - Table approach requires table with 2^{64} entries, each entry with 64 bits
- Table too big: instead use function that simulates a randomly permuted table

Prototype Function



[From Kaufman et al]

Why rounds in prototype?

- If only a single round, then one bit of input affects at most 8 bits of output.
- In 2nd round, the 8 affected bits get scattered and inputted into multiple substitution boxes.
- How many rounds?
  - How many times do you need to shuffle cards
  - Becomes less efficient as n increases

Symmetric key crypto: DES

DES: Data Encryption Standard

- US encryption standard [NIST 1993]
- 56-bit symmetric key, 64-bit plaintext input
- block cipher with cipher block chaining
- how secure is DES?
  - DES Challenge: 56-bit-key-encrypted phrase decrypted (brute force) in less than a day
  - no known good analytic attack
- making DES more secure:
  - 3DES: encrypt 3 times with 3 different keys

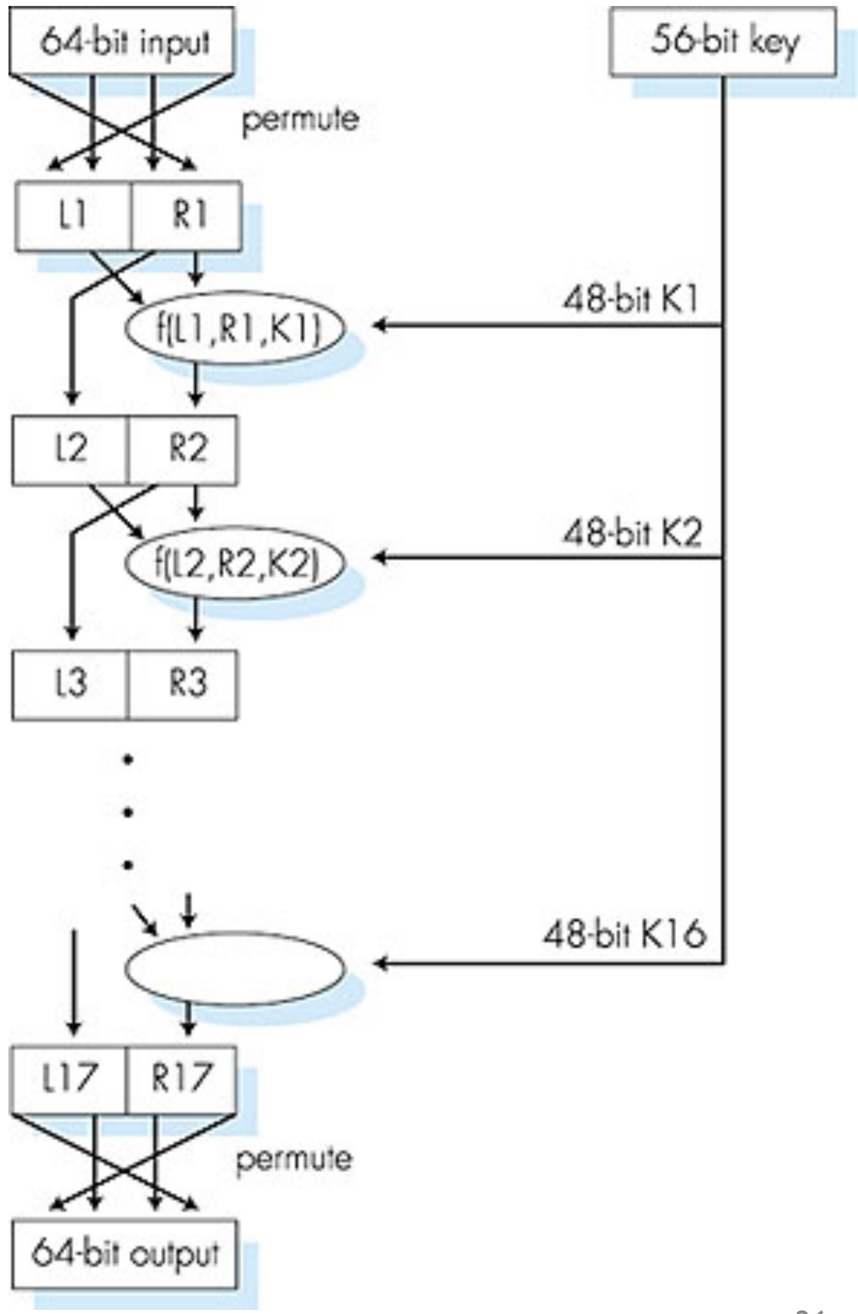
Symmetric key crypto: DES

DES operation

initial permutation

16 identical "rounds" of function application, each using different 48 bits of key

final permutation



AES: Advanced Encryption Standard

- symmetric-key NIST standard, replacied DES (Nov 2001)
- processes data in 128 bit blocks
- 128, 192, or 256 bit keys
- brute force decryption (try each key) taking 1 sec on DES, takes 149 trillion years for AES

Encrypting a large message

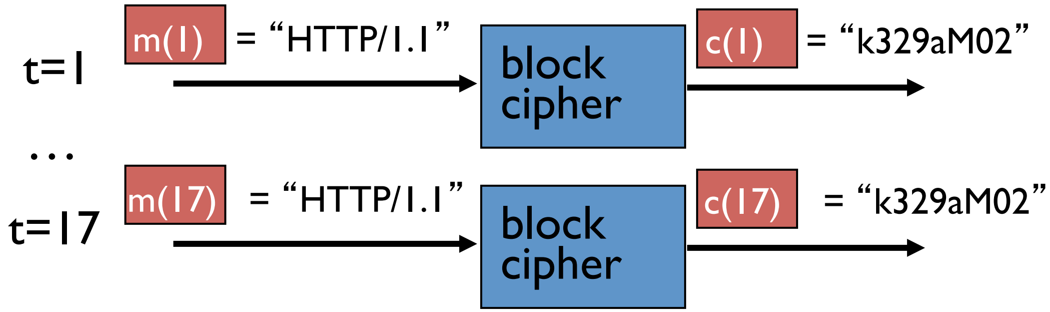
- Why not just break message in 64-bit blocks, encrypt each block separately?
  - If same block of plaintext appears twice, will give same cyphertext.
- How about:
  - Generate random 64-bit number r(i) for each plaintext block m(i)
  - Calculate $c(i) = K_S(m(i) \oplus r(i))$
  - Transmit c(i), r(i), i=1,2,…
  - At receiver: $m(i) = K_S(c(i)) \oplus r(i)$
  - Problem: inefficient, need to send c(i) and r(i)

Cipher Block Chaining (CBC)

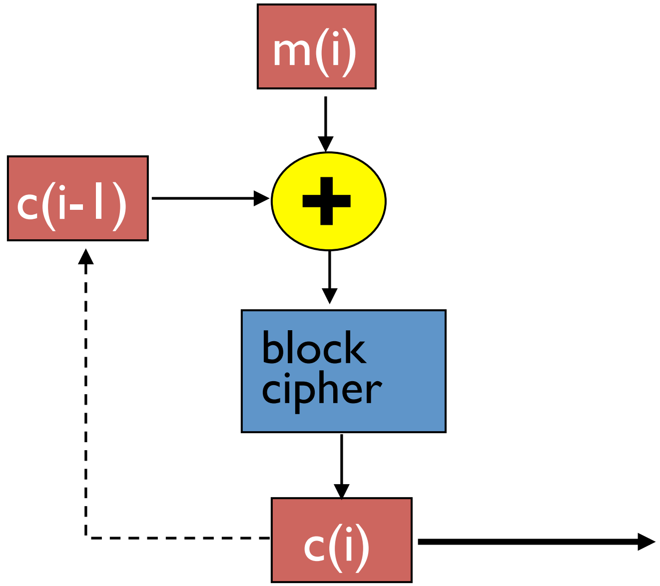
- CBC generates its own random numbers
  - Have encryption of current block depend on result of previous block
  - $c(i) = K_S(\ m(i) \oplus c(i-1)\ )$
  - $m(i) = K_S(\ c(i)\ ) \oplus c(i-1)$
- How do we encrypt first block?
  - Initialization vector (IV): random block = c(0)
  - IV does not have to be secret
- Change IV for each message (or session)
  - Guarantees that even if the same message is sent repeatedly, the ciphertext will be completely different each time

Cipher Block Chaining

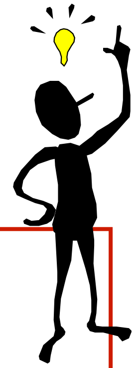
- cipher block: if input block repeated, will produce same cipher text:



- *cipher block chaining:* XOR ith input block, m(i), with previous block of cipher text, c(i-1)
  - c(0) transmitted to receiver in clear
  - what happens in "HTTP/1.1" scenario from above?



Public Key Cryptography



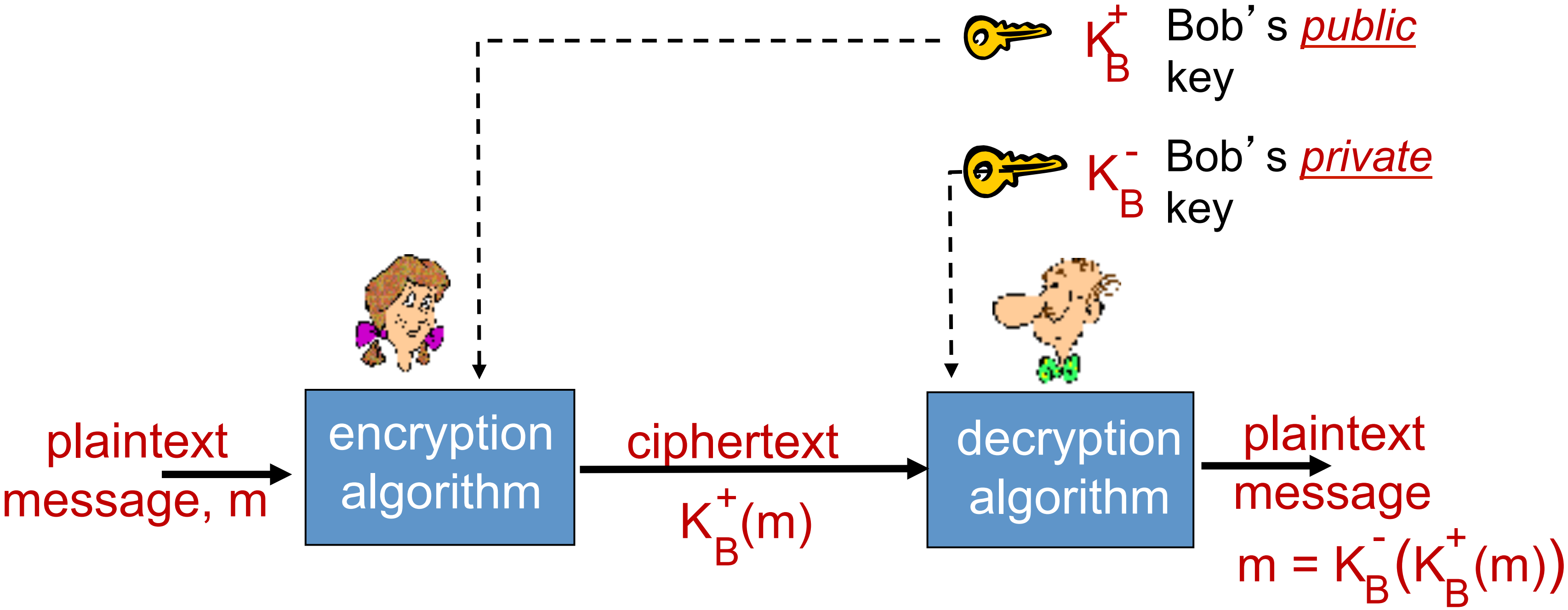
symmetric key crypto

- requires sender, receiver know shared secret key
- Q: how to agree on key in first place (particularly if never "met")?

public key crypto

- radically different approach [Diffie-Hellman76, RSA78]
- sender, receiver do *not* share secret key
- *public* encryption key known to *all*
- *private* decryption key known only to receiver

Public key cryptography



Public key encryption algorithms

requirements:

1. need $K_B^+(\cdot)$ and $K_B^-(\cdot)$ such that

$$K_B^-(K_B^+(m)) = m$$

2. given public key K_B^+, it should be impossible to compute private key K_B^-

RSA: Rivest, Shamir, Adelson algorithm

Prerequisite: modular arithmetic

- x mod n = remainder of x when divide by n
- facts:

  [(a mod n) + (b mod n)] mod n = (a+b) mod n
  [(a mod n) - (b mod n)] mod n = (a-b) mod n
  [(a mod n) * (b mod n)] mod n = (a*b) mod n
- thus

  $(a \bmod n)^d \bmod n = a^d \bmod n$
- example: x=14, n=10, d=2:
  $(x \bmod n)^d \bmod n = 4^2 \bmod 10 = 6$
  $x^d = 14^2 = 196 \rightarrow x^d \bmod 10 = 6$

RSA: getting ready

- message: just a bit pattern
- bit pattern can be uniquely represented by an integer number
- thus, encrypting a message is equivalent to encrypting a number.

example:

- m= 10010001 . This message is uniquely represented by the decimal number 145.
- to encrypt m, we encrypt the corresponding number, which gives a new number (the ciphertext).

RSA: Creating public/private key pair

1. choose two large prime numbers *p, q.* (e.g., 1024 bits each)
2. compute $n = pq$, $z = (p-1)(q-1)$
3. choose e (with $e<n$) that has no common factors with z (*e, z* are "relatively prime").
4. choose *d* such that $ed-1$ is exactly divisible by *z*. (in other words: $ed \bmod z = 1$).
5. *public* key is $\underbrace{(n,e)}_{K_B^+}$. *private* key is $\underbrace{(n,d)}_{K_B^-}$.

RSA: encryption, decryption

0. given (n,e) and (n,d) as computed above

1. to encrypt message m ($<n$), compute

   $c = m^e \bmod n$

2. to decrypt received bit pattern, c, compute

   $m = c^d \bmod n$

magic happens! $$m = (\underbrace{m^e \bmod n}_{c})^d \bmod n$$

RSA example:

Bob chooses $p=5$, $q=7$. Then $n=35$, $z=24$.

$e=5$ (so e, z relatively prime).

$d=29$ (so $ed-1$ exactly divisible by z).

encrypting 8-bit messages.

	bit pattern	m	m^e	$c = m^e \bmod n$
encrypt:	00001100	12	24832	17

	c	c^d	$m = c^d \bmod n$
decrypt:	17	481968572106750915091411825223071697	12

Why does RSA work?

- must show that $c^d \bmod n = m$
  where $c = m^e \bmod n$
- fact: for any x and y: $x^y \bmod n = x^{(y \bmod z)} \bmod n$
  - where $n = pq$ and $z = (p-1)(q-1)$
- thus,
  $c^d \bmod n = (m^e \bmod n)^d \bmod n$
  $= m^{ed} \bmod n$
  $= m^{(ed \bmod z)} \bmod n$
  $= m^1 \bmod n$
  $= m$

RSA: another important property

The following property will be *very* useful later:

$$K_B^-(K_B^+(m)) = m = K_B^+(K_B^-(m))$$

use public key first, followed by private key

use private key first, followed by public key

result is the same!

Why $K_B^-(K_B^+(m)) = m = K_B^+(K_B^-(m))$?

follows directly from modular arithmetic:

$$(m^e \bmod n)^d \bmod n = m^{ed} \bmod n$$
$$= m^{de} \bmod n$$
$$= (m^d \bmod n)^e \bmod n$$

Why is RSA secure?

- suppose you know Bob's public key (n,e). How hard is it to determine d?
- essentially need to find factors of n without knowing the two factors p and q
  - fact: factoring a big number is hard

RSA in Practice: Session keys

- exponentiation in RSA is computationally intensive
- DES is at least 100 times faster than RSA
- use public key cryto to establish secure connection, then establish second key – symmetric session key – for encrypting data

session key, K_S

- Bob and Alice use RSA to exchange a symmetric key K_S
- once both have K_S, they use symmetric key cryptography