## Lecture 23: Network Security Public Key Cryptography COMP 332, Spring 2024 Victoria Manfredi





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## Today

#### 1. Announcements

- Homework 8 due Wednesday, May 1 at 11:59p (no coding)
- Homework 9 due Wednesday, May 8 at 11:59p (no written)

#### 2. Network tools

- ssh, scp, rsync

#### 3. Public key cryptography

- overview
- RSA algorithm

#### 4. Network security

- authentication

## What is network security?

Goal: enable secure communication over insecure channel

#### Confidentiality: use cryptography

- only sender, intended receiver 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

# Network Tools SSH, SCP, RSYNC

## SSH: remotely connecting to a device

E.g., connect to your virtual machine from your host device

#### On your VM, start an ssh server

- sudo apt-get install openssh-server
- sudo service ssh restart
- (normally if you're connecting to a server you won't need to do as an ssh server is already running)

#### Connect

– ssh username@ip\_address

# vmanfredi@ ~ () \$ > ssh vmanfred@129.133.177.177 The authenticity of host '129.133.177.177 (129.133.177.177)' can't be established. ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:Tt5KAXugvAX3ZRgz9V54IeBTCYAFVG2iRRel4wobLpY. Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes Warning: Permanently added '129.133.177.177' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts. vmanfred@129.133.177.177's password: Welcome to Ubuntu 14.04.5 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.2.0-27-generic x86\_64)

## scp: copy files to/from another device

E.g., copy files to your virtual machine from your host device

Runs over ssh, so ssh server should be running

- may also want to check ports open on device

#### Сору

– scp file\_to\_copy username@ip\_address:~/path\_to\_put\_file

vmanfredi@ ~ () \$				
<pre>&gt; scp run_tls_scrape.sh vmanfred@129.133.177.177:~</pre>				
vmanfred@129.133.177.177's password:				
Permission denied, please try again.				
vmanfred@129.133.177.177's password:				
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## r(emote)sync: sync files to/from another device

#### Sync contents of dir1 to dir2

- rsync -avr dir1 dir2
  - -a: archive, recursive, keeps permissions intact
  - -r: recurse
  - -v: verbose

#### Sync contents of dir1 to dir2 from remote location

rsync -avr -e ssh vumanfredi@cs.umass.edu:~/results/ . --exclude='data.txt'

# Public Key Cryptography OVERVIEW

## Problem

#### Symmetric key crypto requires sender, receiver share secret

- Q: how to agree on key in first place (particularly if never met)?

#### Public key cryptography

- 2 parties communicate without shared secret known in advance
  - radically different approach!
- applications
  - encryption and decryption
  - digital signatures
  - key exchange

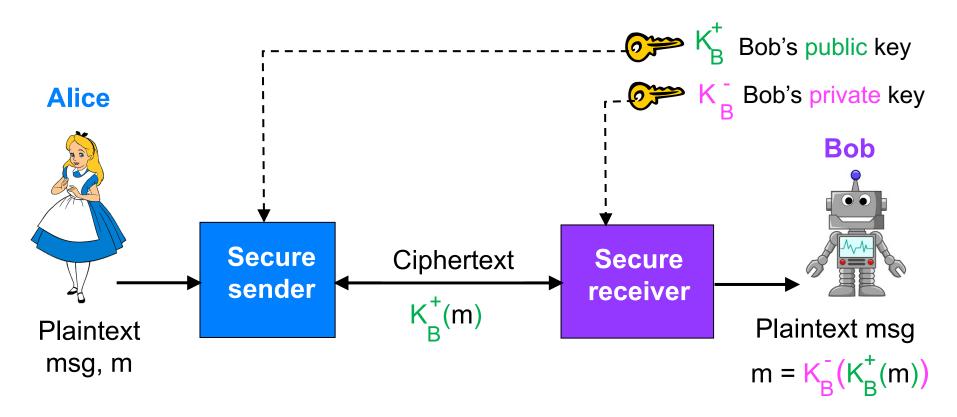
#### Most widely used public key cryptography algorithms

- RSA: Rivest, Shamir, Adelson (1978)
- Diffie-Hellman (1976)
- Elliptic Curve Cryptography (1985)

## Public key cryptography at high level

#### Each user has its own public and private key pair

- K<sup>+</sup>: public encryption key known to all
- K-: private decryption key known only to receiver



## Keys mathematically linked in special way

Requirements

- 1. Need  $K_B^+(\cdot)$  and  $K_B^-(\cdot)$  such that  $\bar{K}_B(K_B^+(m)) = m$
- 2. Given public key  $K_B^+$ , should be impossible to compute private key  $\overline{K_B}$

# Public Key Cryptography RSA ALGORITHM

## RSA: Rivest, Shamir, Adelson algorithm

#### Message

- bit pattern: can be uniquely represented by integer number
  - encrypting message is equivalent to encrypting number
- example
  - m = 10010001 uniquely represented by 145
  - encrypt m by encrypting 145 which gives new number, the ciphertext

#### **RSA Intuition**

- security of RSA is based on hardness of prime factorization
  - easy to multiply 2 large prime numbers together, hard to factor result
    - product of 2 prime numbers p, q: can only be factored by p, q, 1, product
- (elliptic curve cryptography uses elliptic curve discrete logarithms)

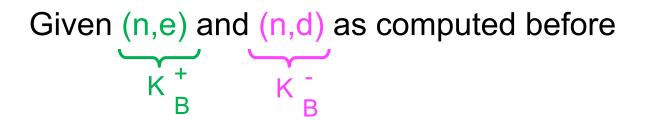
Recall

x mod n: remainder of x when divided by n

## Creating public/private key pair using RSA

- 1. Choose two large distinct prime numbers *p*, *q* 
  - e.g., 1024 bits each
- 2. Compute n=pq, z=(p-1)(q-1)
- 3. Choose e(<n) such that no common factors (besides 1) with z
  - e, z are relatively prime
- 4. Choose *d* such that ed-1 is exactly divisible by *z* 
  - $(ed-1) \mod z = 0$
  - $ed \mod z = 1$
- 5. Public key is (n,e). Private key is (n,d).

## **Encryption and decryption**



- 1. To encrypt message m (<n), compute  $c = m^{e} \mod n$
- 2. To decrypt received bit pattern, c, compute  $m = c^{d} \mod n$

Magic  
happens! 
$$m = (m^e \mod n)^d \mod n$$

## Why does RSA work?

#### Must show $c^d \mod n = m$ where $c = m^e \mod n$

 $c^d \mod n = (m^e \mod n)^d \mod n$ by substitution $= m^{e^d} \mod n$ by fact 1 $= m^{(e^d \mod z)} \mod n$ by fact 2 $= m^1 \mod n$ since ed mod z = 1 by design= m

fact 1:  $(a \mod n)^d \mod n \equiv a^d \mod n$ fact 2:  $a^b \mod n = a^{(b \mod z)} \mod n$  where n= pq and z = (p-1)(q-1)

## Why is RSA secure?

#### Given Bob's public key (n,e)

- how hard is it to determine private key (n,d)?

#### (Relatively) easy

- compute n=pq or z=(p-1)(q-1)

#### Hard

- find factors of n=pq or z=(p-1)(q-1) without knowing p or q
  - 2<sup>1024</sup> bit # x 2<sup>1024</sup> bit #
- prime factorization takes exponential time
  - no (non-quantum) efficient algorithm known

## Example

- 1. Choose two large prime numbers p=17, q=11
- 2. Compute

n = pq = 17x11 = 187z = (p-1)(q-1) = 16x10 = 160

- 3. Choose *e*=7 (<*n*) that no common factors with z
- 4. Choose *d* such that ed-1 is exactly divisible by *z*

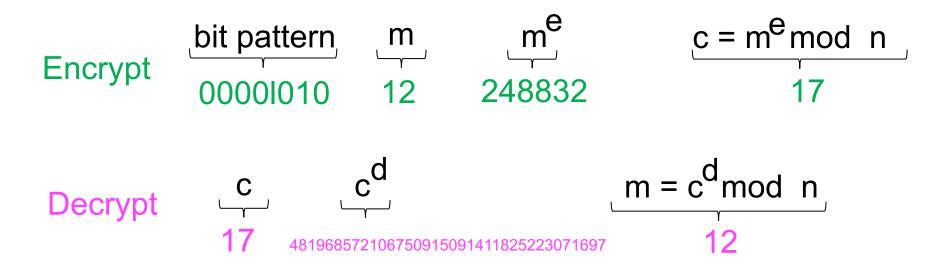
$$(ed -1) / z = 1$$
  
(7d-1) / 160 = 1  
7d = 161  
d = 23

5. Public key is (n=187,e=7). Private key is (n=187,d=23).  $\kappa_{B}^{+}$ 

## Another 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** 



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## Another important property

The following property will be very useful later for signatures

$$K_{B}(K_{B}(m)) = m = K_{B}(K_{B}(m))$$

use public key first, followed by private key use private key first, followed by public key

Result is the same!

Why can key application be re-ordered?  $\kappa_{B}(\kappa_{B}(m)) = m = \kappa_{B}(\kappa_{B}(m))$ 

Follows directly from modular arithmetic

 $(\mathbf{m}^{e} \mod n)^{d} \mod n \equiv \mathbf{m}^{ed} \mod n$  $\equiv \mathbf{m}^{de} \mod n$  $\equiv (\mathbf{m}^{d} \mod n)^{e} \mod n$ 

## Public/private vs. symmetric keys

Q: Is one better than the other?

What are public/private keys used for?

What are symmetric keys used for?

## **RSA in practice**

#### Exponentiation in RSA is computationally intensive

- e.g., symmetric key DES at least 100x faster than RSA
- use public key crypto to establish secure connection
  - · then establish symmetric session key for encrypting data

#### Session key, $K_S$

- Bob and Alice use RSA to exchange symmetric key  $K_{\rm S}$
- once both have K<sub>S</sub>, they use symmetric key cryptography

## Generate ssh keys: ssh-keygen -t rsa

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> ssh-keygen -t rsa
Generating public/private rsa key pair.
Enter file in which to save the key (/Users/vmanfredi/.ssh/id_rsa): test_pair
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in test_pair.
Your public key has been saved in test_pair.pub.
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:YJ28K/kCn+dEvBpnkEm6BdbHvxpzbKZ4uQgpznWbdlQ vmanfredi@vmanfredis-MacBook-Pro-2.local
The key's randomart image is:
+---[RSA 2048]----+
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## Public key

1 ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAABAQDYoldG09vq5zNjE3i07l4fDMiRpD1rVl+cv0nts8PBCxyvvNhdP6ZTZucc Jx6AqH5S+4l7BV6nayW7oJ350BPXX3TUwJcGUto2nFFjkfqEw9+1LZPiLumZ9433X17aKJ6FqHAUClbyAzm6E1e+TZIeMu3V I/7qbJP0XtBX5LYoBdiLDdXziMqf3/rTcThUCllyf3zFLzl6u9hgPqMLo+1BTgSqRV1roK4P7yQZD1LLpzLxjqfUfC0MHhi8 pbYh+X3J/hKZ28hRF07mYHuUM9zGqykAU+Ew9i9WSaQF+5K811mEyCHtKN5xVAdXp1bLYrr1SVWydmXb+VE3gM6dZraJ vma nfredi@vmanfredis-MacBook-Pro-2.local

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## Private key

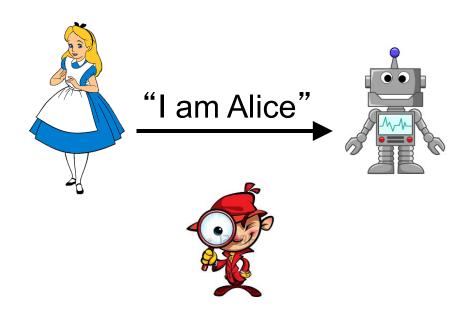
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# **Network Security AUTHENTICATION**

## Authentication

Goal: Bob wants Alice to "prove" her identity to him

Protocol ap1.0: Alice says "I am Alice"



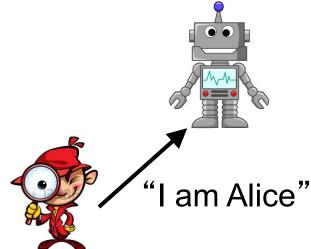
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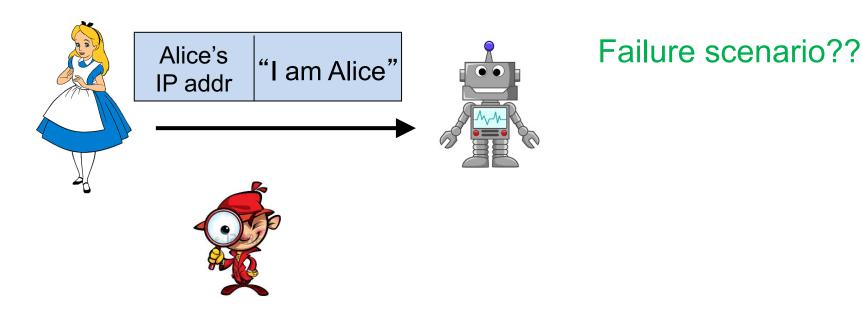


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In network, Bob cannot see Alice, so Trudy simply declares herself to be Alice

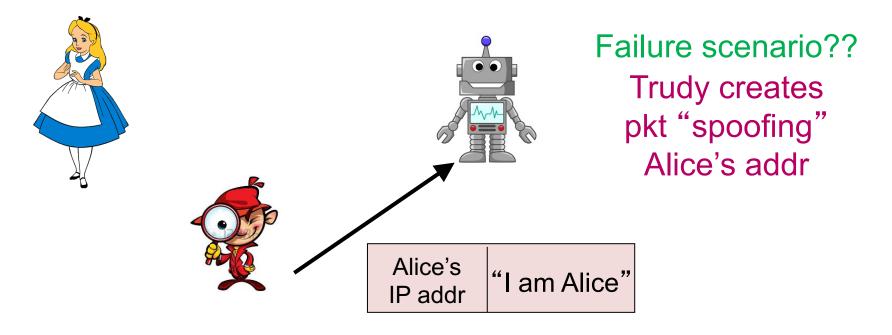
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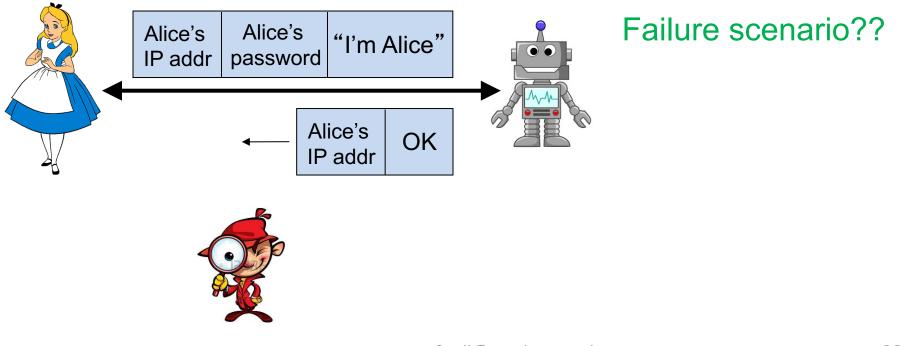
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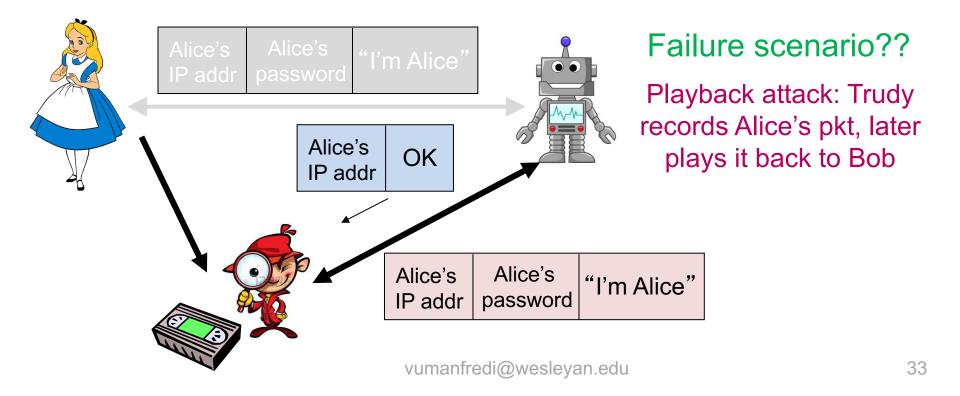
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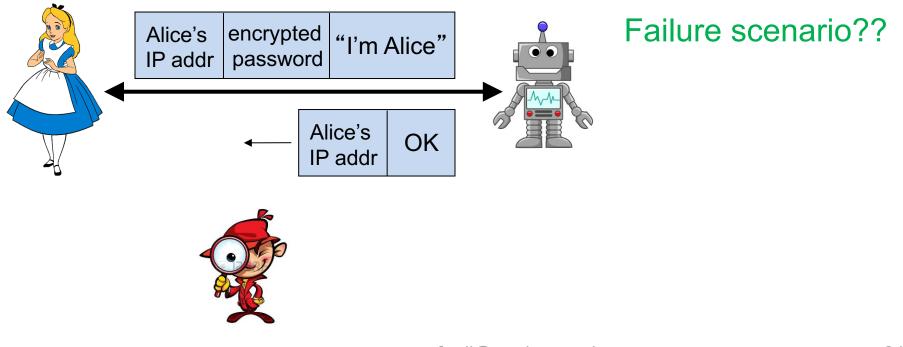
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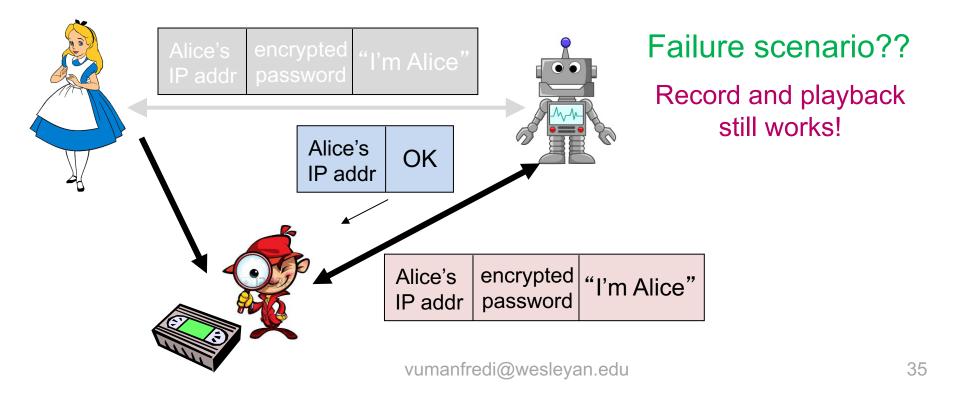
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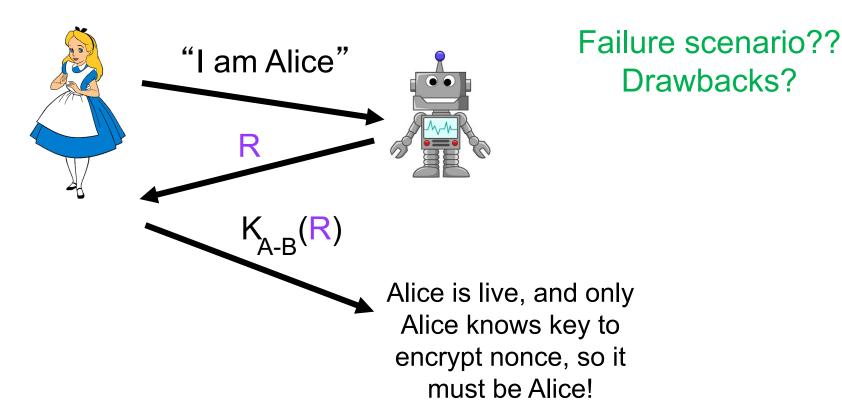


#### Goal: avoid playback attack

- Nonce: number, R, used only once-in-a-lifetime
- Protocol ap4.0: to prove Alice is "live", Bob sends Alice R. Alice must return R, encrypted with shared secret key

Drawbacks?

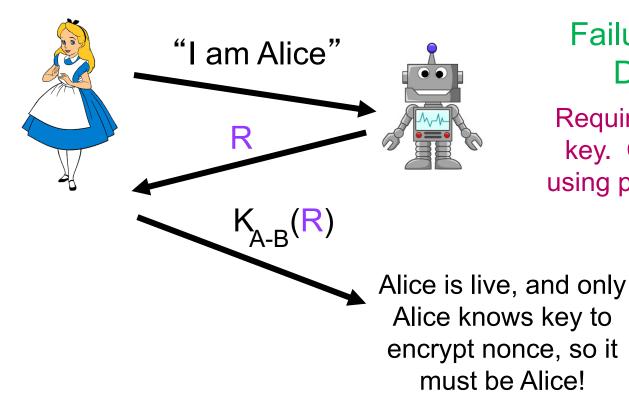
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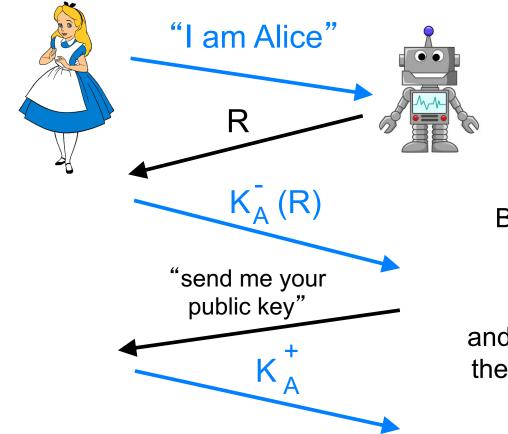
Drawbacks? Requires shared symmetric

key. Can we authenticate using public key techniques?

Failure scenario??

## Authentication: a final try

Protocol ap5.0: use nonce and public key cryptography



Bob computes

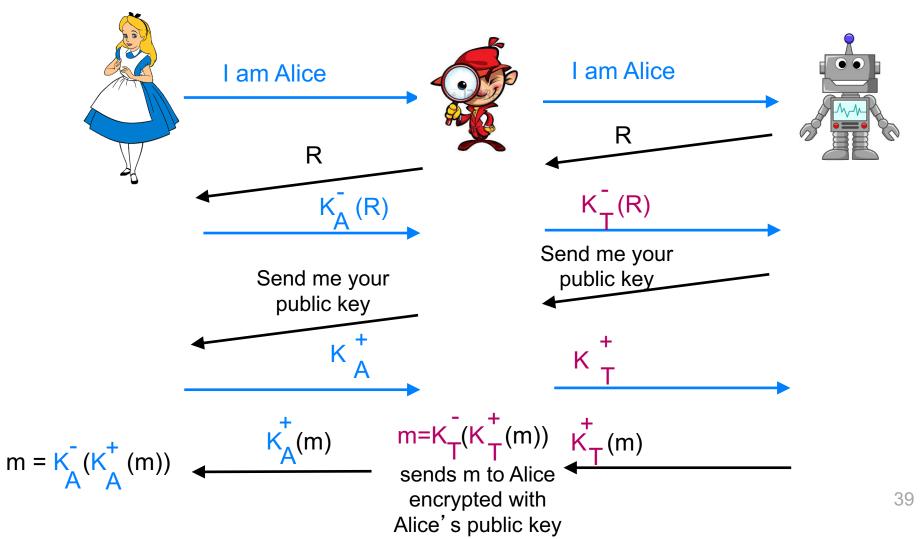
$$K_{A}^{+}(K_{A}^{-}(R)) = R$$

and knows only Alice could have the private key that encrypted R such that this holds true

## ap5.0 security hole

#### Man-in-the-middle Attack

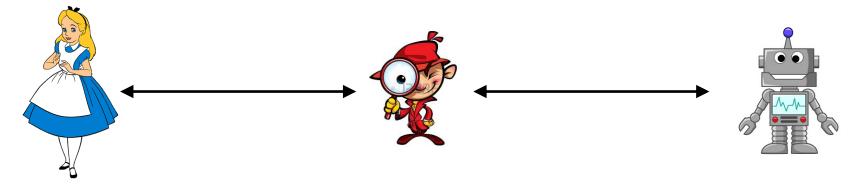
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#### Difficult to detect

- Bob receives everything that Alice sends, and vice versa
  - e.g., so Bob, Alice can meet one week later and recall conversation!
- problem is that Trudy receives all messages as well!