# Computer security: authentication of principals and cryptographic protocols

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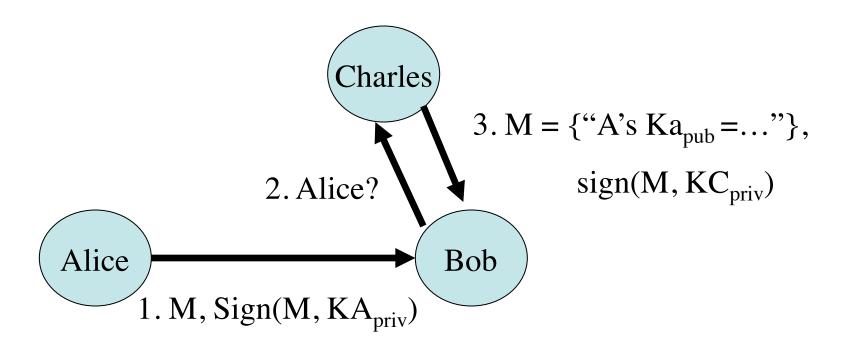
### HKN Underground Guide

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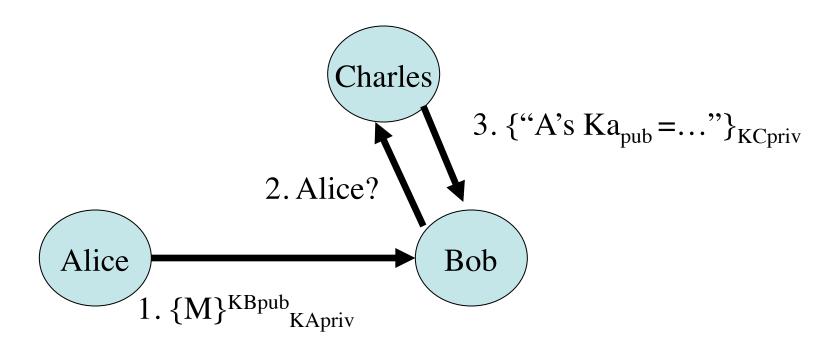
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# key distribution



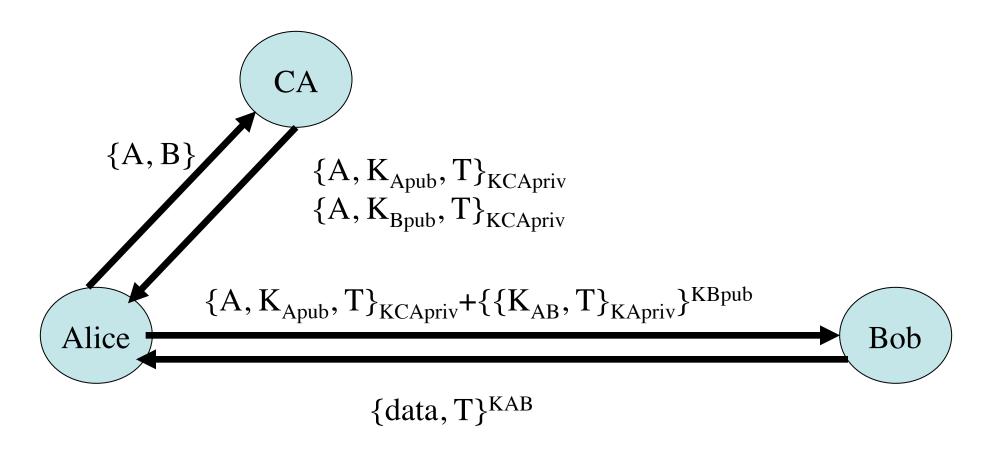
- 3 is a *certificate* for Alice's public key
- Charles is called a *certificate authority*
- The interaction is an example of a cryptographic protocol

#### Shorter notation



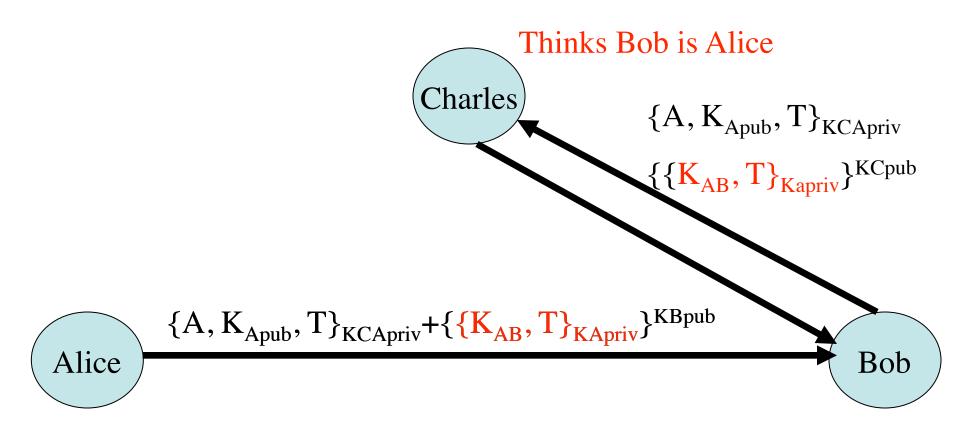
- Subscript for signing
- Superscript for encrypting

# Denning-Sacco

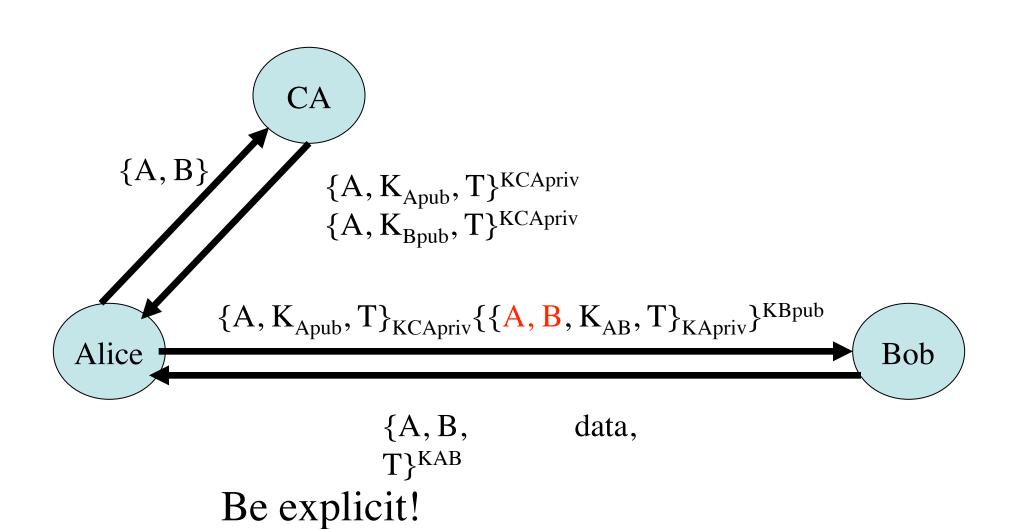


- 1. Authenticate Alice to Bob and Bob to Alice
- 2. Set up a shared-secret key

#### Impersonation Attack



## Denning-Sacco (fixed)



## Example: Web (SSL simplified)

- U: <a href="https://www.amazon.com">https://www.amazon.com</a>
- B →W: {random<sub>c</sub>, session-id, ciphersuites}
- B  $\leftarrow$  W: {random<sub>s</sub>, session-id, {amazon.com,  $K_{pub-amazon}$ }<sub>Kversign</sub>}
- B: verify({amazon.com,  $K_{pub-amazon}$ }<sub>Kversign</sub>,  $K_{pub-verisign}$ )?
- B →W: {pre-master-secret}<sup>Kpub-amazon</sup>
- .....

#### X509 certificate

```
struct X509 certificate {
   unsigned version;
   unsigned serial;
   signature_cipher_identifier;
   issuer signature;
   issuer name;
   subject name;
   subject_public_key_cipher_identifier;
   subject_public_key;
   validity period;
   };
```



#### www.amazon.com

Issued by: RSA Data Security, Inc.

Expires: Saturday, December 23, 2006 6:59:59 PM US/Eastern

This certificate is valid

#### ▼ Details

Subject Name

Country US

State/Province Washington

Locality Seattle

Organization Amazon.com Inc.
Common Name www.amazon.com

Issuer Name -

Country US

Organization RSA Data Security, Inc.

Organizational Unit Secure Server Certification Authority

Version 3

Serial Number 5C B4 2C EE 43 52 64 86 1A A2 F5 D7 02 BC 5A 01

Signature Algorithm SHA-1 with RSA Encryption (1 2 840 113549 1 1 5)

Parameters none

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Public Key Info

Algorithm RSA Encryption ( 1 2 840 113549 1 1 1 )

#### **Advisories**

#### Jan 2001 - Advisory from VeriSign, Inc.

VeriSign, Inc, discovered through its routine fraud screening procedures that on 29 and 30 January 2001, it issued two digital certificates to an individual who fraudulently claimed to be a representative of Microsoft Corporation. VeriSign immediately revoked the certificates. The updated certificate revocation list (CRL) is available at

http://crl.verisign.com/Class3SoftwarePublishers.crl or through VeriSign real-time Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP) Services.

The certificates were VeriSign Class 3 Software Publisher certificates and could be used to sign executable content under the name "Microsoft Corporation". The risk associated with these certificates is that the fraudulent party could produce digitally signed code and appear to be Microsoft Corporation.