
CSE 3400 - Introduction to Computer & Network Security
(aka: Introduction to Cybersecurity)

Lecture 11

Public Key Cryptography– Part II

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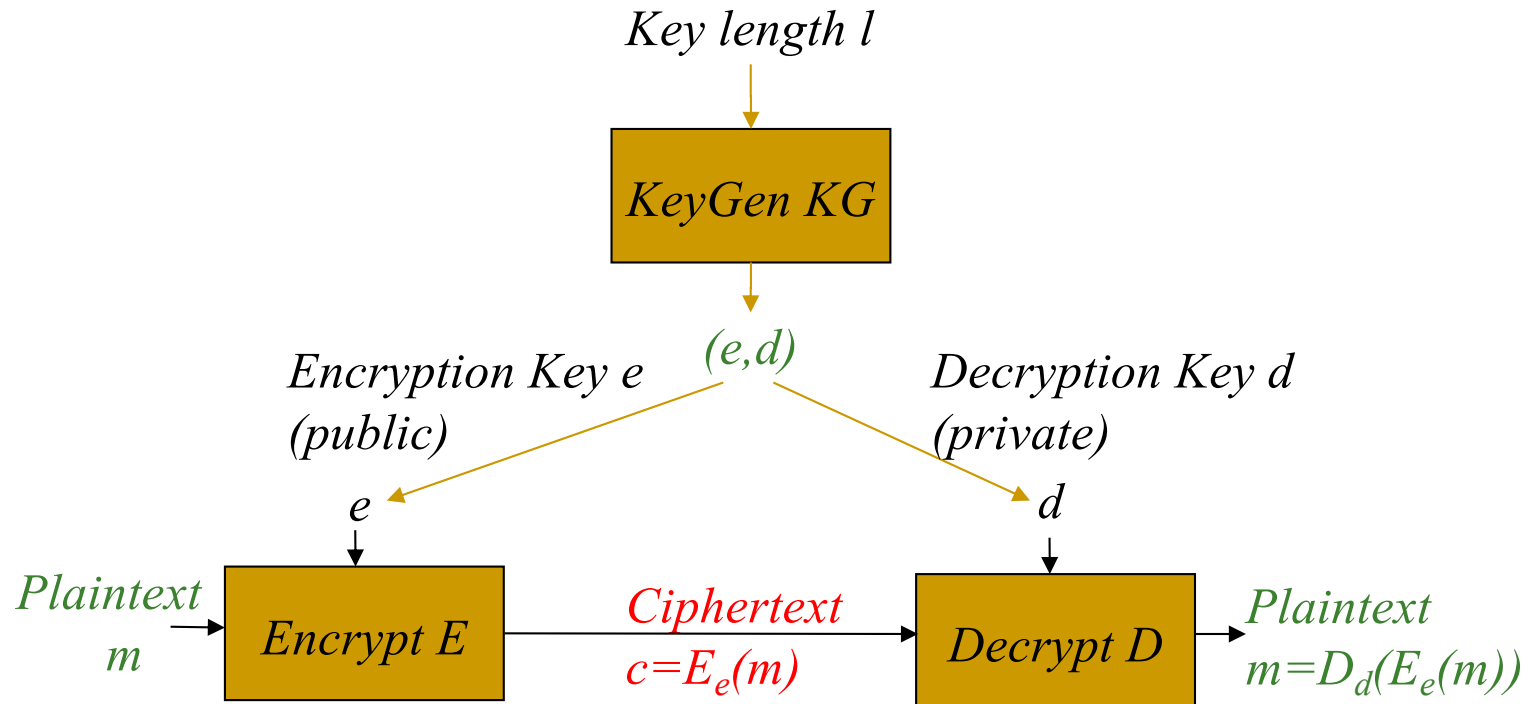
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Outline

- ❑ Public key encryption.
- ❑ Digital signatures.

Public Key Encryption

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Public Key Encryption IND-CPA Security

$$\begin{aligned} &T_{\mathcal{A}, \langle KG, E, D \rangle}^{IND-CPA}(b, n) \{ \\ &\quad (e, d) \xleftarrow{\$} KG(1^n) \\ &\quad (m_0, m_1) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\text{'Choose'}, e) \text{ s.t. } |m_0| = |m_1| \\ &\quad c^* \leftarrow E_e(m_b) \\ &\quad b^* = \mathcal{A}(\text{'Guess'}, (c^*, e)) \\ &\quad \text{Return } b^* \\ &\} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.10 (PKC IND-CPA). *Let $\langle KG, E, D \rangle$ be a public-key cryptosystem. We say that $\langle KG, E, D \rangle$ is IND-CPA, if every efficient adversary $\mathcal{A} \in PPT$ has negligible advantage $\varepsilon_{\langle KG, E, D \rangle, \mathcal{A}}^{IND-CPA}(n) \in NEGL(n)$, where:*

$$\varepsilon_{\langle KG, E, D \rangle, \mathcal{A}}^{IND-CPA}(n) \equiv \Pr \left[T_{\mathcal{A}, \langle KG, E, D \rangle}^{IND-CPA}(1, n) = 1 \right] - \Pr \left[T_{\mathcal{A}, \langle KG, E, D \rangle}^{IND-CPA}(0, n) = 1 \right] \quad (2.35)$$

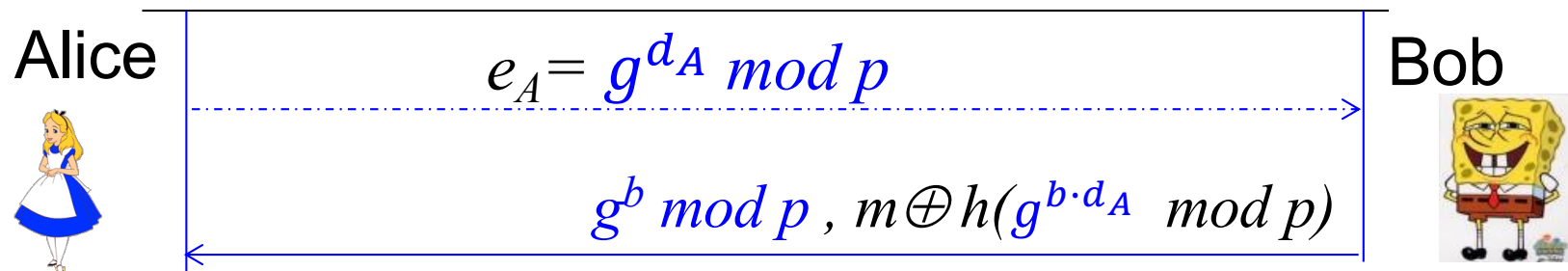
Where the probability is over the random coin tosses in IND-CPA (including of \mathcal{A} and E).

Discrete Log-based Encryption

- We will explore two flavors:
 - An adaptation of DH key exchange protocol to perform encryption.
 - ElGamal encryption scheme.

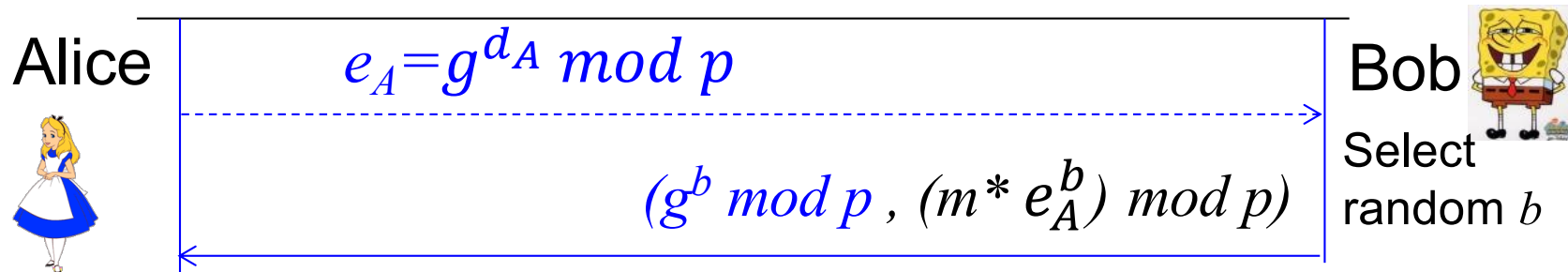
Turning [DH] to Public Key Cryptosystem

- Solves dependency on DDH assumption; secure under the (weaker) CDH assumption.
- To encrypt message m to Alice:
 - Bob selects random b
 - Sends: $g^b \bmod p$, $m \oplus h((e_A)^b) = m \oplus h(g^{b \cdot d_A} \bmod p)$
 - Secure if $h(g^{b \cdot d_A} \bmod p)$ is pseudo-random



ElGamal Public Key Encryption

- Variant of [DH] PKC: Encrypt by multiplication, not XOR
- To encrypt message m to Alice, whose public key is $e_A = g^{d_A} \bmod p$:
 - Bob selects random b
 - Sends: $g^b \bmod p$, $m * (e_A)^b = m * g^{b \cdot d_A} \bmod p$



ElGamal Public Key Encryption

- Encryption:

$$E_{e_A}^{EG}(m) \leftarrow \left\{ (g^b \bmod p, m \cdot e_A^b \bmod p) \mid b \xrightarrow{\$} [2, p-1] \right\}$$

- Decryption:

$$D_{d_A}(x, y) = x^{-d_A} \cdot y \bmod p$$

- Correctness:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{d_A}(g^b \bmod p, m \cdot e_A^b \bmod p) &= \\ &= \left[(g^b \bmod p)^{-d_A} \cdot (m \cdot (g^{d_A})^b \bmod p) \right] \bmod p \\ &= [g^{-b \cdot d_A} \cdot m \cdot g^{b \cdot d_A}] \bmod p \\ &= m \end{aligned}$$

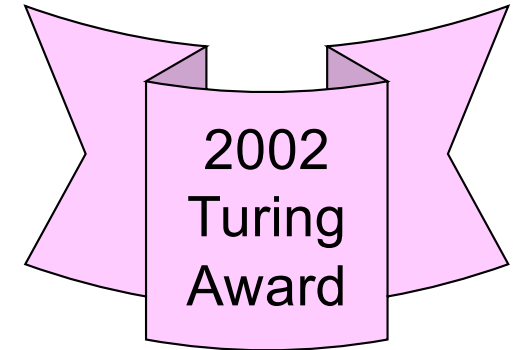
ElGamal Public Key Cryptosystem

- Problem: $g^{b \cdot d_A} \bmod p$ may leak bit(s)...
- `Classical' DH solution: securely derive a key:
 $h(g^{a_i b_i} \bmod p)$
- El-Gamal's solution: use a group where DDH believed to hold
 - Note: message must be encoded as member of the group!
 - So why use it? Some special properties...

ElGamal PKC: homomorphism

- Multiplying two ciphertexts produces a ciphertext of the multiplication of the two plaintexts.
- Given two ciphertexts:
 - $E_{e_A}(m_1) = (x_1, y_1) = (g^{b_1} \bmod p, m_1 * g^{b_1 \cdot d_A} \bmod p)$
 - $E_{e_A}(m_2) = (x_2, y_2) = (g^{b_2} \bmod p, m_2 * g^{b_2 \cdot d_A} \bmod p)$
- $Mult((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) \equiv (x_1 x_2, y_1 y_2)$
- Homomorphism:
 - $= (g^{b_1+b_2} \bmod p, m_1 \cdot m_2 * g^{(b_1+b_2) \cdot d_A} \bmod p) =$
 $= E_{e_A}(m_1 \cdot m_2)$
- \rightarrow compute $E_{e_A}(m_1 \cdot m_2)$ from $E_{e_A}(m_1), E_{e_A}(m_2)$

RSA Public Key Encryption



- First proposed – and still widely used
- Not really covered in this course – take crypto!
- Select two **large primes** p, q ; let $n=pq$
- Select prime e (public key: $\langle n, e \rangle$)
 - Or co-prime with $\Phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$
- Let private key be $d=e^{-1} \bmod \Phi(n)$ (i.e., $ed=1 \bmod \Phi(n)$)
- Encryption: $RSA.E_{e,n}(m)=m^e \bmod n$
- Decryption: $RSA.D_{d,n}(c)=c^d \bmod n$
- Correctness: $D_{d,n}(E_{e,n}(m)) = (m^e)^d = m^{ed} = m \bmod n$
 - Intuitively: $ed=1 \bmod \Phi(n) \rightarrow m^{ed} = m \bmod n$
- But why? Remember Euler's theorem.

RSA Public Key Cryptosystem

- Correctness: $D_{d,n}(E_{e,n}(m)) = m^{ed} \bmod n$
- $m^{ed} = m^{ed} = m^{1+l\Phi(n)} = m m^{l\Phi(n)} = m (m^{\Phi(n)})^l$
- $m^{ed} \bmod n = m (m^{\Phi(n)} \bmod n)^l \bmod n$
- Euler's Theorem: $m^{\Phi(n)} \bmod n = 1 \bmod n$
- $\rightarrow D_{d,n}(E_{e,n}(m)) = m^{ed} \bmod n = m 1^l \bmod n = m$
- Comments:
 - $m < n \rightarrow m = m \bmod n$
 - Euler's Theorem holds (only) if m, n are co-primes
 - If not co-primes? Use Chinese Remainder Theorem
 - A nice, not very complex argument
 - But: beyond our scope – take Crypto!

The RSA Problem and Assumption

- RSA problem: Find m , given (n, e) and 'ciphertext' value $c = m^e \bmod n$
- RSA assumption: if (n, e) are chosen 'correctly', then the RSA problem is 'hard'
 - I.e., no efficient algorithm can find m with non-negligible probability
 - For 'large' n and $m \xrightarrow{\$} \{1, \dots, n\}$
- RSA and factoring
 - Factoring alg \rightarrow alg to 'break' RSA
 - Algorithm to find RSA private key \rightarrow factoring alg
 - But: RSA-breaking may not allow factoring

RSA PKC Security

- It is a deterministic encryption scheme → cannot IND-CPA secure.
- RSA assumption does not rule out exposure of partial information about the plaintext.
- It is not CCA secure.

A solution: apply a random padding to the plaintext then encryption using RSA.

Padding RSA

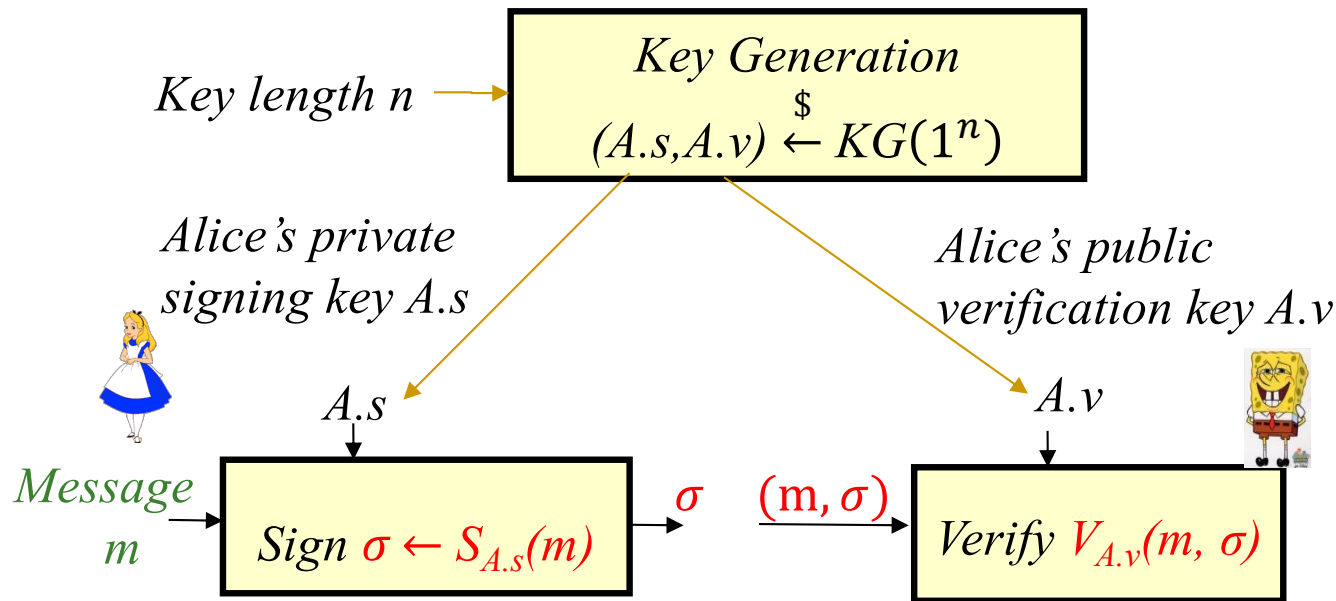
- Pad and Unpad functions: $m = \text{Unpad}(\text{Pad}(m; r))$
 - Encryption with padding: $c = [\text{Pad}(m, r)]^e \bmod n,$
 - Decryption with unpad: $m = \text{Unpad}(c^d \bmod n)$
- Required to...
 - Add randomization
 - Prevent detection of repeating plaintext
 - Prevent ‘related message’ attack (to allow use of tiny e)
 - Detect, prevent (some) chosen-ciphertext attacks
- Early paddings schemes subject to CCA attacks
 - Even ‘Feedback-only CCA’ (aware of unpad failure)

How does Bob know Alice's public key?

- Depends on threat model...
 - Passive (‘eavesdropping’) adversary: just send it
 - Man-in-the-Middle (MITM): **authenticate**
- Authenticate – how?
 - MAC: requires shared secret key
 - **Public key signature scheme:**
authenticate using public key
 - Certificate: public key of entity – **signed by certificate authority (CA)**

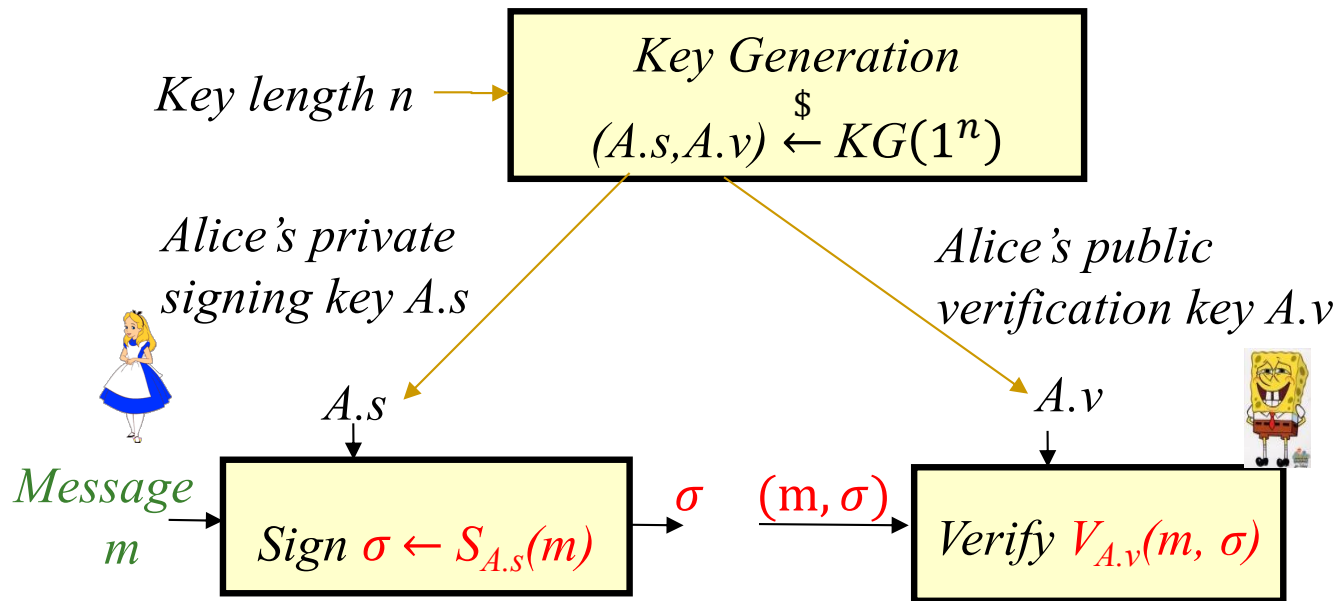
Digital Signature

Public Key Digital Signatures



- Sign using a private, secret signature key ($A.s$ for Alice)
- Validate using a public key ($A.v$ for Alice)
- Everybody can validate signatures at any time
 - Provides authentication, integrity **and** evidence / non-repudiation
 - MAC: 'just' authentication+integrity, no evidence, can repudiate

Digital Signatures Security: Unforgeability



- Unforgeability: given v , attacker should be unable to find **any** 'valid' (m, σ) , i.e., $V_v(m, \sigma) = OK$
 - Even when attacker can select messages m' , receive $\sigma' = S_s(m')$
 - For any message except chosen m

Digital Signature Scheme Definition

Definition 1.4 (Signature scheme and its correctness). A signature scheme is defined by a tuple of three efficient (PPT) algorithms, $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{KG}, \text{Sign}, \text{Verify})$, and a set M of messages, such that:

\mathcal{KG} is a randomized algorithm that maps a unary string (security parameter 1^l) to a pair of binary strings $(\mathcal{KG}.s(1^l), \mathcal{KG}.v(1^l))$.

Sign is an algorithm⁸ that receives two binary strings as input, a signing key $s \in \{0, 1\}^*$ and a message $m \in M$, and outputs another binary string $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^*$. We call σ the signature of m using signing key s .

Verify is a predicate that receives three binary strings as input: a verification key v , a message m , and σ , a purported signature over m . Verify should output TRUE if σ is the signature of m using s , where s is the signature key corresponding to v (generated with v).

Usually, M is a set of binary strings of some length. If M is not defined, then this means that any binary string may be input, i.e., the same as $M = \{0, 1\}^*$.

We say that a signature scheme $(\mathcal{KG}, \text{Sign}, \text{Verify})$ is correct, if for every security parameter 1^l holds:

$$\left(\forall (s, v) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{KG}(1^l), m \in M \right) \text{Verify}_v(m, \text{Sign}_s(m)) = \text{‘Ok’} \quad (1.31)$$

Digital Signature Scheme Security

Algorithm 1 The existential unforgeability game $EUF_{\mathcal{A},\mathcal{S}}^{Sign}(1^l)(1^l)$ between signature scheme $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{KG}, \text{Sign}, \text{Verify})$ and adversary \mathcal{A} .

$(s, v) \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{S}.\mathcal{KG}(1^l)$;
 $(m, \sigma) \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{S}.\text{Sign}_s(\cdot)}(v, 1^l)$;
return $(\mathcal{S}.\text{Verify}_v(m, \sigma) \wedge (\mathcal{A} \text{ didn't request } S_s(m)))$;

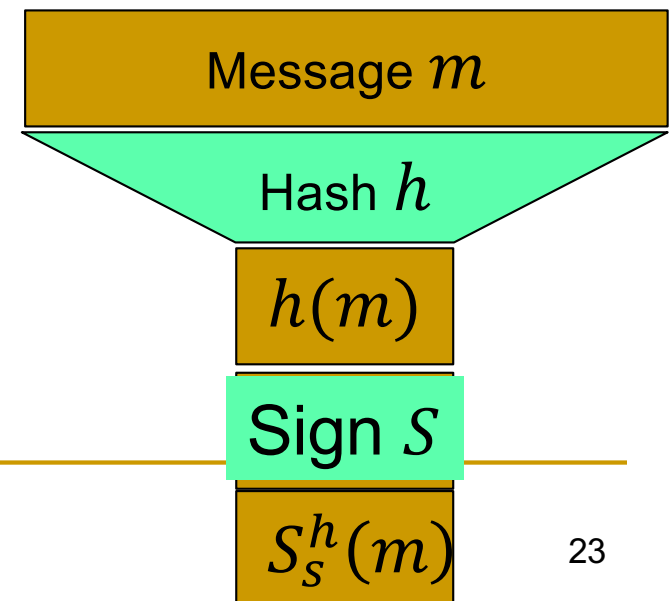
Definition 1.6. *The existential unforgeability advantage function of adversary \mathcal{A} against signature scheme \mathcal{S} is defined as:*

$$\varepsilon_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{A}}^{EUF-Sign}(1^l) \equiv \Pr \left(EUF_{\mathcal{A},\mathcal{S}}^{Sign}(1^l)(1^l) = \text{TRUE} \right) \quad (1.32)$$

Where the probability is taken over the random coin tosses of \mathcal{A} and of \mathcal{S} during the run of $EUF_{\mathcal{A},\mathcal{S}}^{Sign}(1^l)$ with input (security parameter) 1^l , and $EUF_{\mathcal{A},\mathcal{S}}^{Sign}(1^l)$ is the game defined in Algorithm 1.

RSA Signatures

- Secret signing key s , public verification key v
- Short ($<n$) messages: RSA signing with message recovery
- $\sigma = \text{RSA}.S_s(m) = m^s \text{ mod } n$,
 $\text{RSA}.V_v(m, \sigma) = \{ \text{OK if } m = \sigma^v \text{ mod } n; \text{ else, FAIL} \}$
- Long messages: ??
 - Hint: use collision resistant hash function (CRHF)
 - $\sigma = \text{RSA}.S_s(m) = h(m)^s \text{ mod } n$,
 $\text{RSA}.V_v(m, \sigma) = \{ \text{OK if } h(m) = \sigma^v \text{ mod } n; \text{ else, FAIL} \}$



Discrete-Log Digital Signature?

- RSA allowed encryption and signing... based on assuming factoring is hard
- Can we sign based on assuming discrete log is hard?
- Most well-known, popular scheme: DSA
 - Digital Signature Algorithm, by NSA/NIST
 - Details: crypto course

Covered Material From the Textbook

- ❑ Chapter 1, Section: 1.2.3
- ❑ Chapter 2, Sections 2.7.3
- ❑ Chapter 6, Sections 6.4, 6.5 (except 6.5.6 and 6.5.7), and 6.6 (except RSA with message recovery)

Thank You!

