

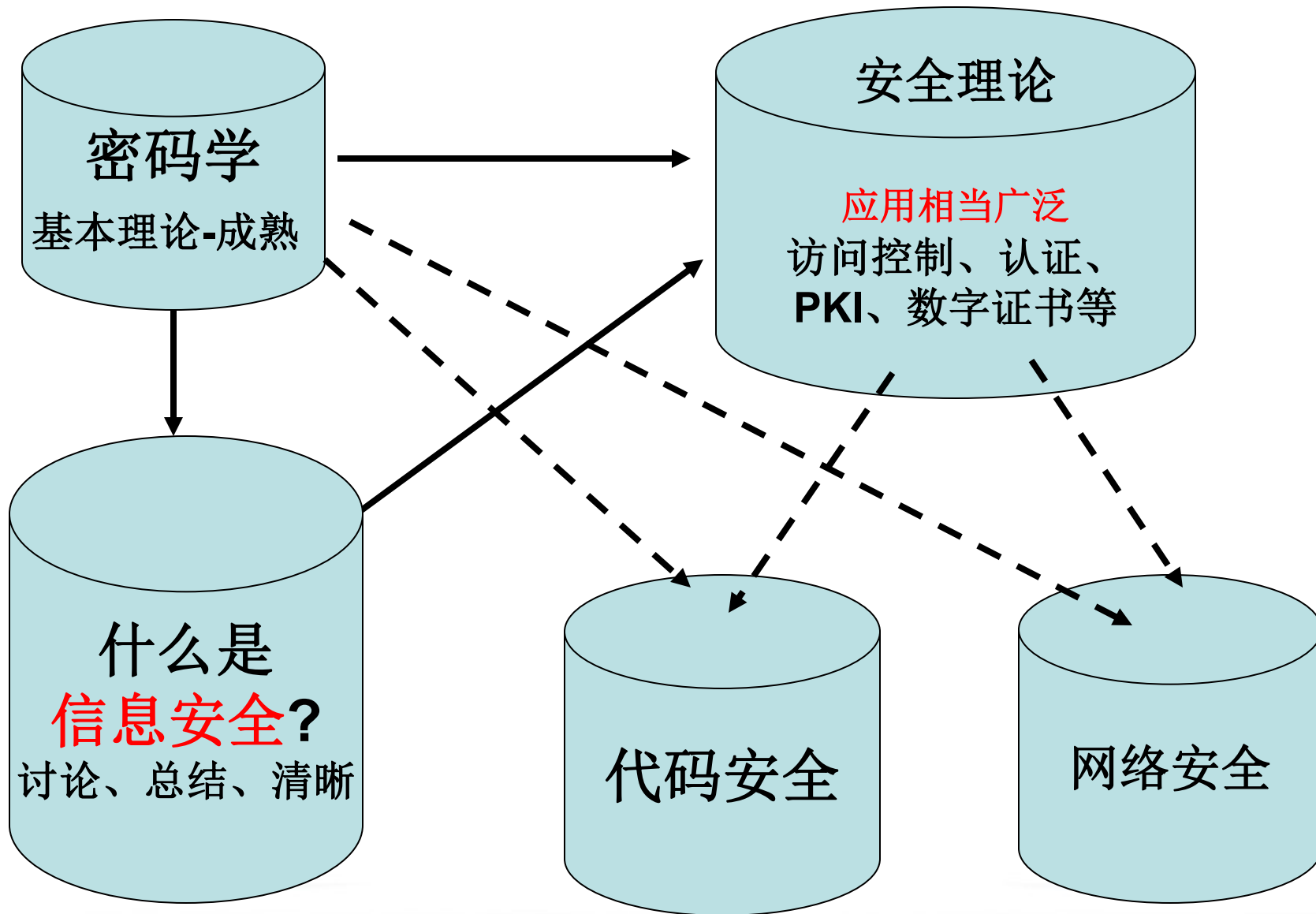


# Information Security 09

Authentication

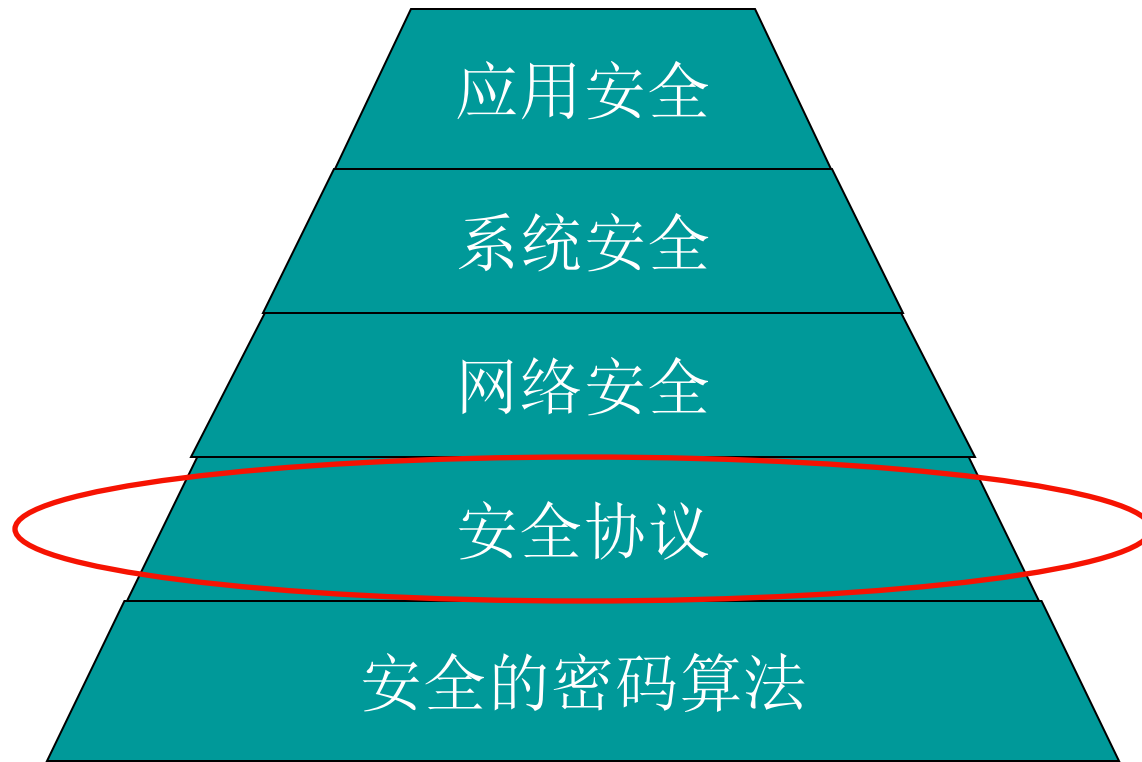
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# 内容间的联系





# Review: 安全层次





# Outline of Talk

- Definitions
- Passwords
  - Unix Passwords
  - One time passwords
- Challenge-response techniques



# Definitions

## Authentication:

- A *claimant* tries to show a *verifier* that the claimant is as declared
  - identification
- Different from *message authentication*
  - which enables the recipient to verify that messages have not been tampered with in transit (data integrity) and that they originate from the expected sender (authenticity).



# Definitions

## Authentication

- 消息认证/报文的鉴别
- 身份认证
  - Message authentication has no *timeliness*
  - Entity authentication happens in *real time*
- 双向和单向认证



# A good authentication scheme is...

- ***Sound***: an honest party can successfully authenticate him/herself
- ***Non-transferable***
- ***No impersonation***
- All this is true even when
  - A large number of authentications are observed
  - Eve is able to spoof/eavesdrop
  - Multiple instances are run simultaneously



# Basis of Authentication

- Something *known* - passwords, PINs, keys...
- Something *possessed* - cards, handhelds...
- Something *inherent* - biometrics





# PINs and keys

- Long key on physical device (card), short PIN to remember
- PIN unlocks long key
- Need possession of both card and PIN
- Provides ***two-level*** security



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# Basic password authentication

- **Setup**
  - User chooses password
  - Hash of password stored in password file
- **Authentication**
  - User logs into system, supplies password
  - System computes hash, compares to file



# Passwords -weak authentication

- Usually fixed
- Stored either in the **clear**, or “encrypted” with a **OWF**
- *Rules* reduce the chance of easy passwords
- **Salt** increases search space for a dictionary attack
- There are many examples using password-based authentication
  - how to manage passwords



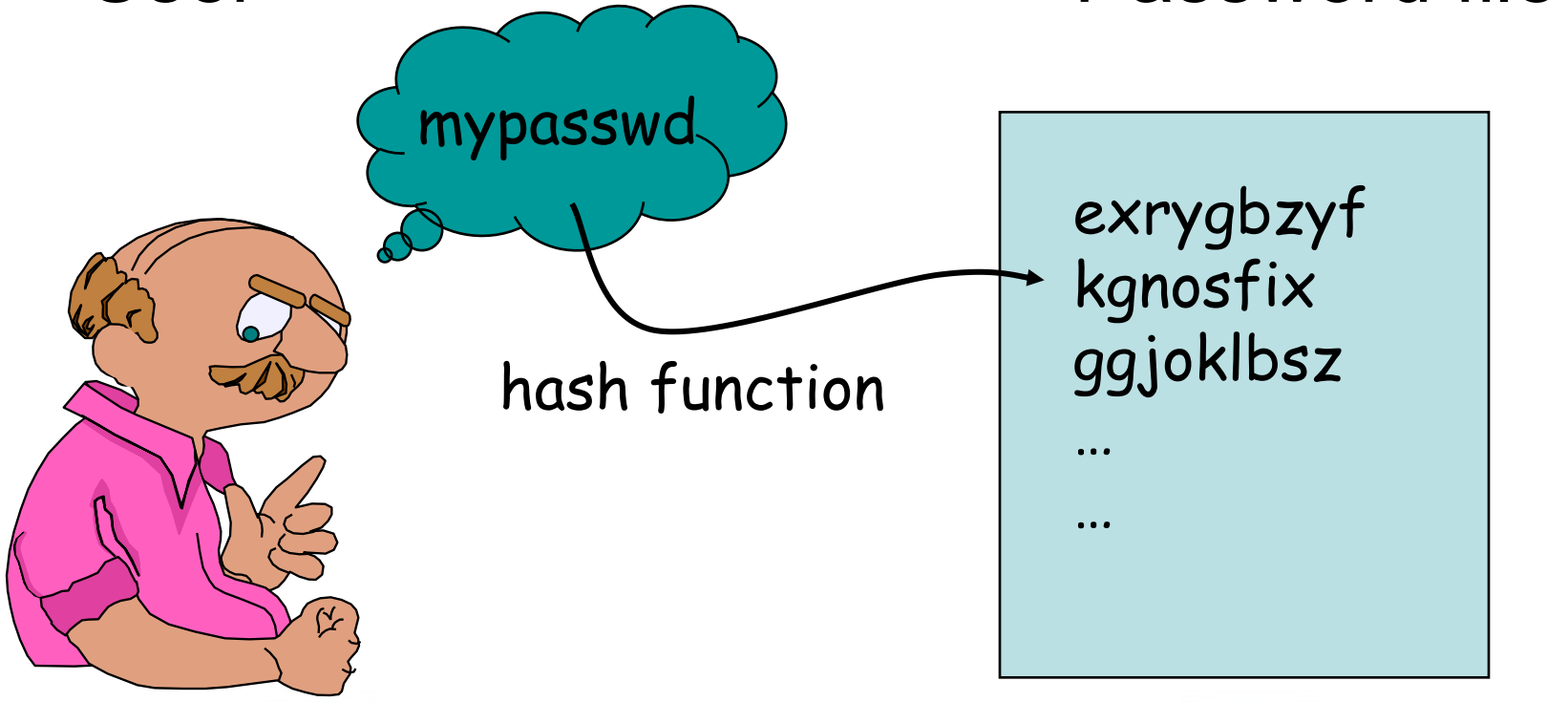
# Example: UNIX passwords

/etc/passwd  
/etc/shadow

*Username: password: UID : GID: USERINFO: HOME: SHELL*

User

Password file





# Attacks on password schemes

- **Replay** of fixed passwords
- Exhaustive **search**
  - 8 character password has 40-50 bits
- More directed **dictionary attacks**
  - Crack - widely available tool for doing this
  - **Online** dictionary attack
    - Guess passwords and try to log in
  - **Offline** dictionary attack
    - Steal password file, try to find  $p$  with  $\text{hash}(p)$  in file



# Dictionary Attack – some numbers

- Typical password dictionary
  - 1,000,000 entries of common passwords
    - people's names, common pet names, and ordinary words.
  - Suppose you generate and analyze 10 guesses per second
    - This may be reasonable for a web site; offline is *much* faster
  - Dictionary attack in at most 100,000 seconds = 28 hours, or 14 hours on average
- If passwords were random
  - Assume six-character password
    - Upper- and lowercase letters, digits, 32 punctuation characters
    - 689,869,781,056 password combinations.
    - Exhaustive search requires 1,093 years on average



# UNIX passwords

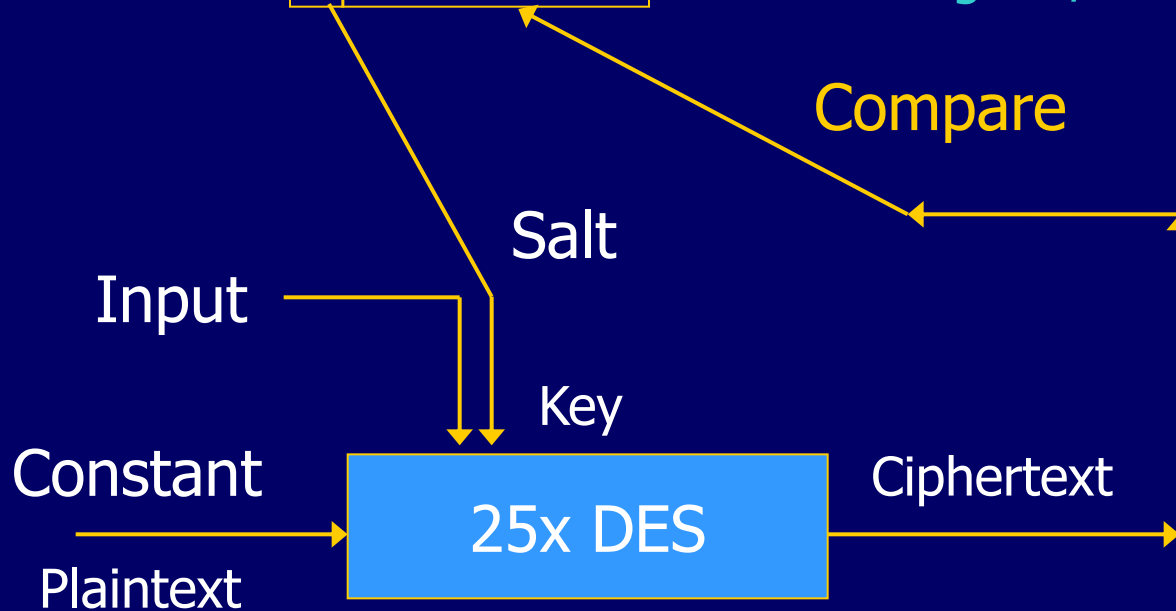
- User password serves as key to encrypt known plaintext (64 bit zeroes)
- Encryption - modification of DES, iterated 25 times
- 12 bit salt added - total  $64 + 12 = 76$  bits
  - Salt taken from system clock, [a-zA-Z0-9./]
  - Alters expansion function of DES
  - `char *crypt(const char *key, const char *salt);`



# Salt(使用加密技术生成的随机数)

## ◆ Unix password line

walt:fURfuu4.4hY0U:129:129:Belgers:/home/walt:/bin/csh



When password is set, salt is chosen randomly



# Advantages of salt

- Without salt
  - Same hash functions on all machines
    - Compute hash of all common strings once
    - Compare hash file with all known password files
- With salt
  - One password hashed  $2^{12}$  different ways
    - Precompute hash file?
      - Need much larger file to cover all common strings
    - Dictionary attack on known password file
      - For each salt found in file, try all common strings
- Now, SHA1 is recommended



# Summary: Passwords

- Easy to implement
- Easy to use
- **But, The Weakest form of Authentication**
  - ???
  - 窃取A的password，将在很长一段时间拥有A的权限，直到A发现
  - 特别的，网络环境下远程认证
    - 远程登录Unix主机，password传递形式？



# 基于口令的认证+明文传输!!!

- Telnet远程登录
  - 逐个字母发送，明文方式
- POP3邮件登录
- Ftp服务
- .....
- 嗅探（Sniffer）相当容易



# 认证例子: sina的邮件登录

Packet Details

- General Information
- Ethernet v.2.0 MAC Head
- IPv4 Header
- TCP Header
- HTTP Client Request
  - [849 byte(s) of data]
  - 107
    - mynum=1&user=&pass=&u=e

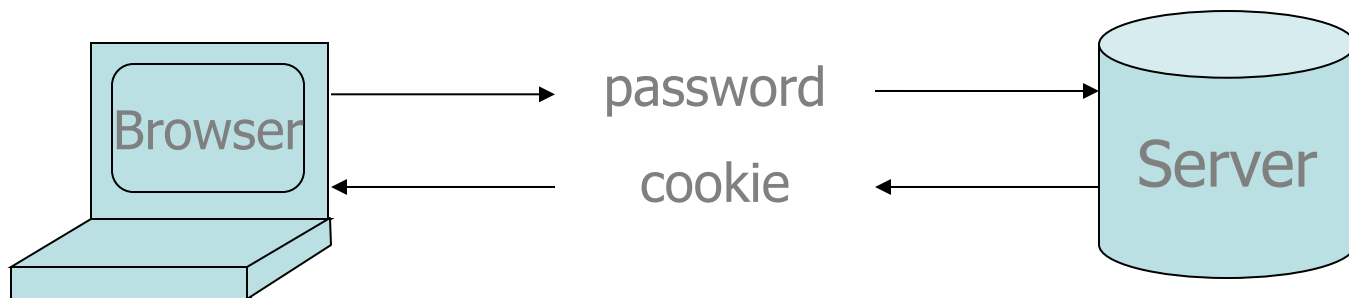
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* 2C 70 30 35 2C 65 [,pos:08,sal:05,e]
* 64 75 2C 6D 61 72 [du:03,sta:02,mar]
* 3A 30 3A 33 32 3B [:0,gen:M,age:32;]
* 20 53 20 53 49 44 [ SINA_USER=; SID]
* 3D 3B 6C 6F 67 69 [=; userinfo_logi]
* 6E 74 34 32 39 37 [ntime=1016174297]
* 3B 20 68 61 6E 6E [; userinfo_chann]
* 65 6C 72 69 6E 66 [el=mail; userinf]
* 6F 5F 3D 31 36 32 [o_remoteaddr= ]
* 2E 31 20 53 4D 3D [.; SM=]
* 53 69 6D 79 6E 75 [SinaMail....mynu]
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* 6F 6D 62 69 6E 25 [om.cn%2Fcgi-bin%]
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# 网络环境下的认证

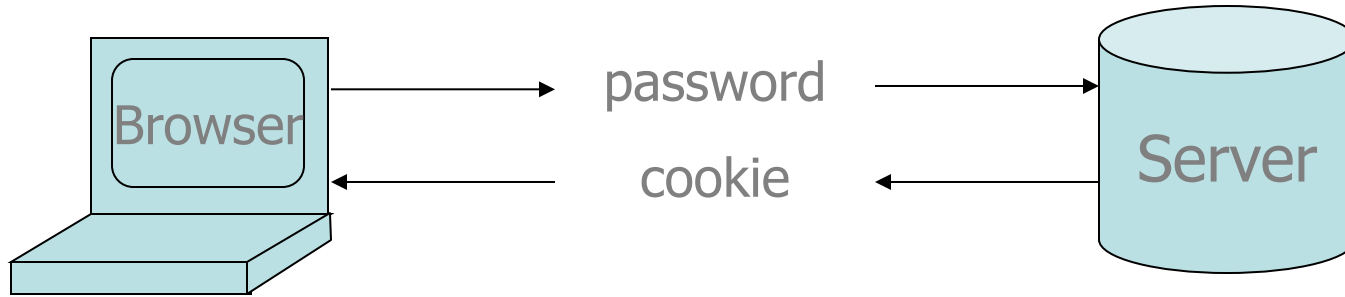
- 基本假设：
  - C/S 模型



- 多server，
  - 同样的口令，还是不同的？
- 单向->双向，
  - Server需要对每个user出示独特的口令吗？



# Authentication Problems

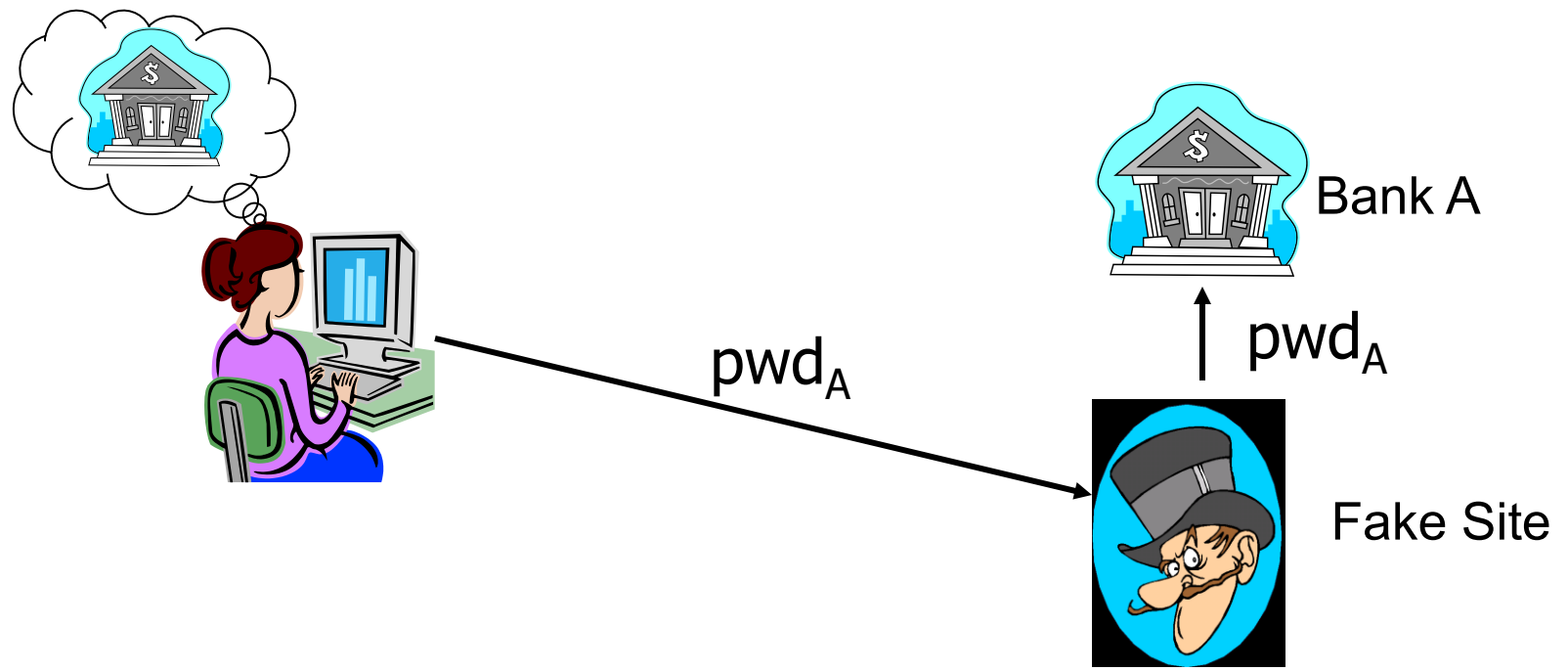


## • Problems

- Network sniffing → Encryption, but key distribution problems
- Malicious or weak-security website → OWF, hashing
  - Phishing
  - Common password problem
  - Pharming - DNS compromise
- Malware on client machine
  - Spyware
  - Trojan Horse

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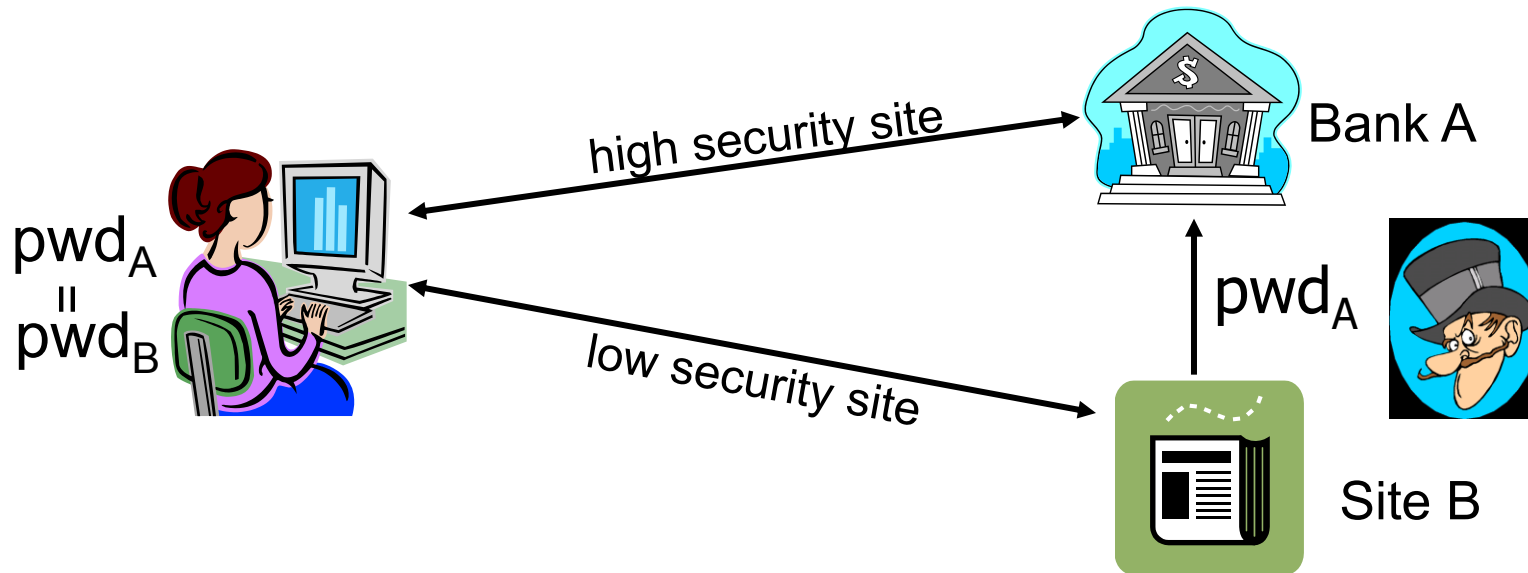
# Password Phishing Problem



- User cannot reliably identify fake sites
- Captured password can be used at target site



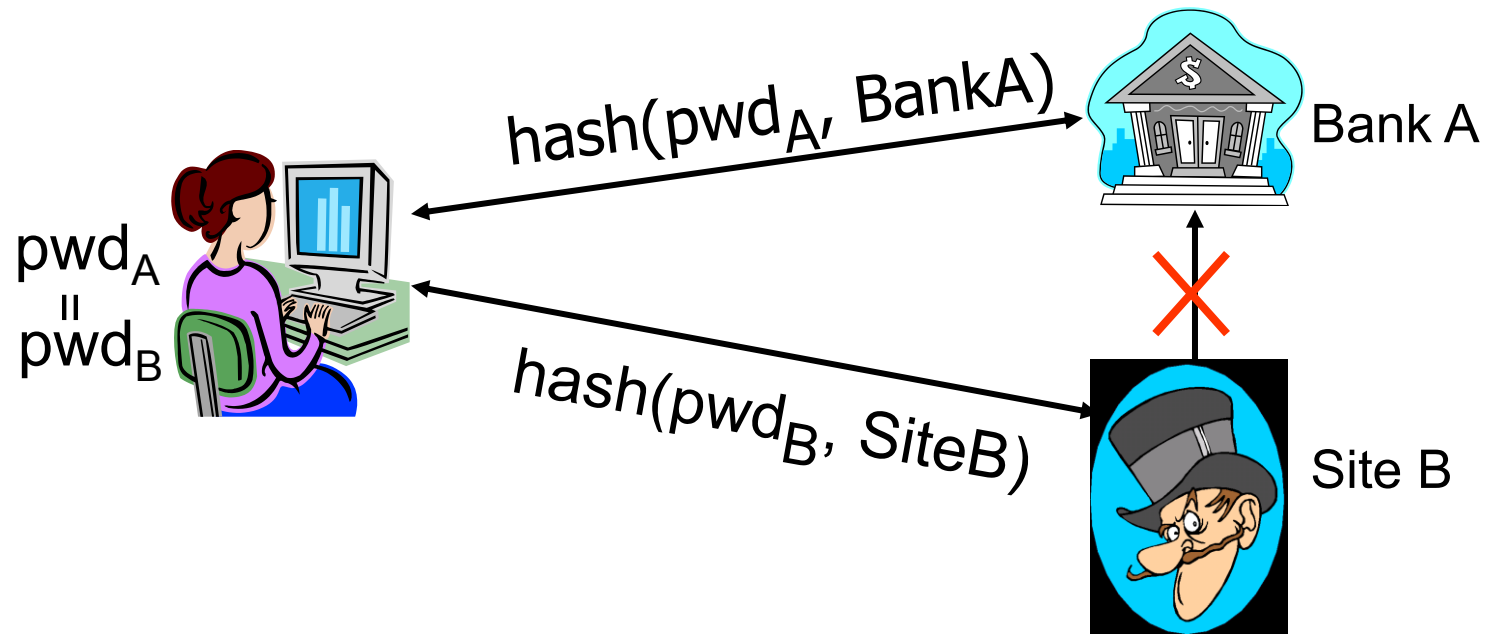
# Common Password Problem



- Phishing attack or break-in at site B reveals pwd at A
  - Server-side solutions will not keep pwd safe
  - Solution: Strengthen with client-side support



# Defense: Password Hashing



- Generate a unique password per site
  - $HMAC_{fido:123}(banka.com) \Rightarrow Q7a+0ekEXb$
  - $HMAC_{fido:123}(siteb.com) \Rightarrow OzX2+ICiqc$
- Hashed password is not usable at any other site
  - Protects against password phishing
  - Protects against common password problem



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# One time passwords

- Avoids *replay attacks*
- **Shared lists** - pre-distribute list
- **Sequentially updated** - create next password while entering current password
- **Based on one way functions** - Lamport's scheme...



# Lamport's One Time Passwords

- 1981, by Lamport
- Initialization
  - User has a secret  $w$
  - Using a OWF  $h$ , create the password sequence:

$$w, h(w), h(h(w)), \dots, h^t(w)$$

- Bob knows only  $h^t(w)$
- Authentication:
  - Password for  $i^{th}$  identification is:

$$w_i = h^{t-i}(w)$$



# S/KEY One-Time Password System

- Based on Lamport's OTP
- Initialization
  - User has a secret:  $w$ ,  $seed$  (non-secret)
  - Using a OWF  $h$ , create the password sequence:  
 $w, h(w, seed), h(h(w), seed), \dots, h^t = h(h^{t-1}, seed)$
  - Bob server knows:  $seed$ , Sequence#,  $h^t$
- Authentication:
  - Password for  $i^{th}$  identification is:  
 $w_i = h^{t-i} = h(w_{i-1}, seed)$



# 使用seed, Sequence#

- 多个server, Password 可重用(使用不同seed即可)
- Server 可发起Challenge:
  - [seed, sequence# ]



# Attacks on OTPs..

- ***Pre-play attack*** - Eve intercepts an unused password and uses it later
- Make sure you're giving password to the right party
- Bob server must be *authenticated*





# Shortcomings of OTPs..

- 使用500-1000次需要Reinitialization
  - 开销不小
- 不支持双向认证
- 保密性没考虑



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  - Also “one-time”



# Challenge-response authentication

- Alice is identified by a *secret* she possesses
- *Bob* needs to know that Alice does indeed possess this secret
- *Alice* provides ***response*** to a time-variant ***challenge***
- Response depends on ***both*** secret and challenge
- To defense sniffer attack, replay attack



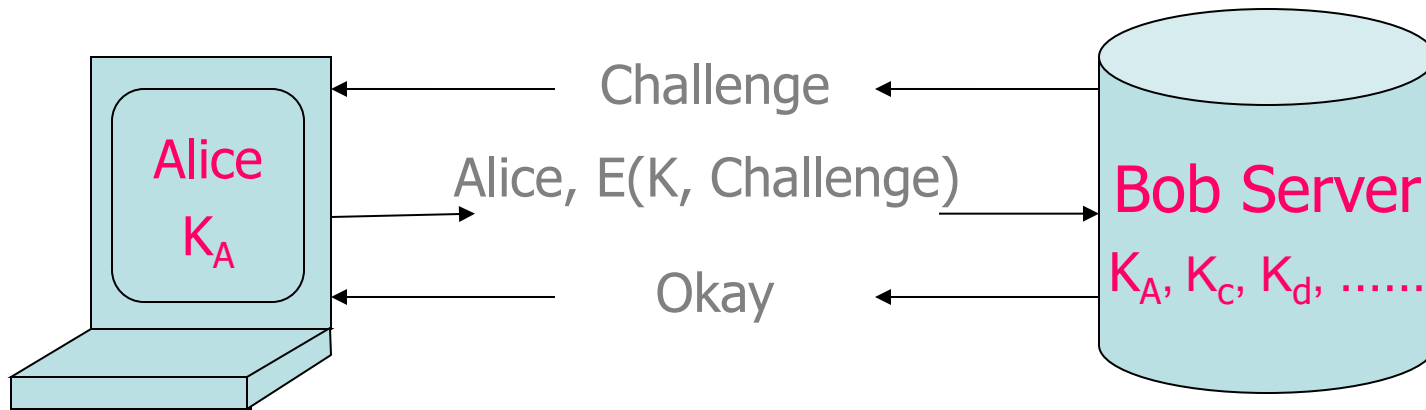
# Challenge-response authentication

Using

- Symmetric encryption
- One way functions
- Public key encryption
- Digital signatures

# using Symmetric Key Encryption

- Alice and Bob share a key  $K$





# 单向: Using random numbers

- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $r_b$
- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $E_K(r_b, B)$
- Bob checks to see if  $r_b$  is the one it sent out
  - Also checks “ $B$ ” - prevents reflection attack
- $r_b$  must be ***non-repeating***



# 单向: Using timestamps

- Time-Based Implicit Challenge
- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $E_K(t_A, B)$
- Bob decrypts and verified that timestamp is OK
- Parameter  $B$  prevents replay of same message in  $B \rightarrow A$  direction



# 双向: using random numbers

- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $r_b$
- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $E_K(r_a, r_b, B)$ 
  - Alice Challenge Bob
- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $E_K(r_a, r_b)$
- Alice checks that  $r_a, r_b$  are the ones used earlier





# Shortcomings..

- 多Server, 要和不同的Server共享不同的Key
  - Key Distribution ?
  - Key management ?



# Challenge-response authentication

Using

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# Challenge-response based on keyed OWFs

- Instead of encryption, used keyed MAC  $h_K$
- Check: compute MAC from *known quantities*, and check with message
- SKID2 (unilateral), and SKID3(mutual)



# Mutual authentication using keyed MAC – SKID3

- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $r_b$
- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $r_a, h_K(r_a, r_b, B)$
- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $h_K(r_a, r_b, A)$



# Unilateral authentication

## using keyed MAC – SKID2

- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $r_b$
- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $r_a, h_K(r_a, r_b, B)$
  
- Same as SKID3 without last exchange



# Challenge-response authentication

Using

- Symmetric encryption
- One way functions
- **Public key encryption**
- Digital signatures



# Authentication based on public key decryption

*Witness to chosen  
random  $r$*

*Challenge to  
Alice –  
encrypted with  
her public key*

- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $m(r), B, P_A(r, B)$
- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $r$

*Alice decrypts challenge to get  
 $r$ . Checks with  $h(r)$ . Sends  $r$   
back for Bob to check.*



# Mutual Authentication based on PK decryption

- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $P_B(r_A, B)$
- Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $P_A(r_A, r_B)$
- Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $r_B$





# Challenge-response authentication

Using

- Symmetric encryption
- One way functions
- Public key encryption
- Digital signatures



# Unilateral Authentication using Signatures

Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob:  $cert_A, t_A, B, S_A(t_A, B)$

Bob checks:

- Timestamp OK
- Identifier "B" is its own
- Signature is valid (after getting public key of Alice using certificate)



# Unilateral Authentication using Signatures

Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice:  $r_B$

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Bob checks:

- Identifier "B" is its own
- Signature is valid (after getting public key of Alice using certificate)
- Signed  $r_A$  prevents chosen-text attacks



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