

# FOUNDATIONS OF MODERN CRYPTOGRAPHY

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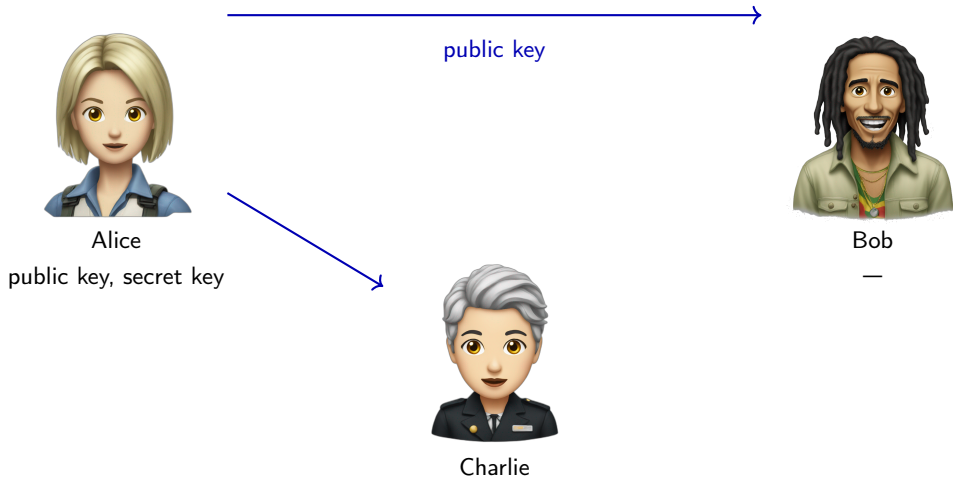
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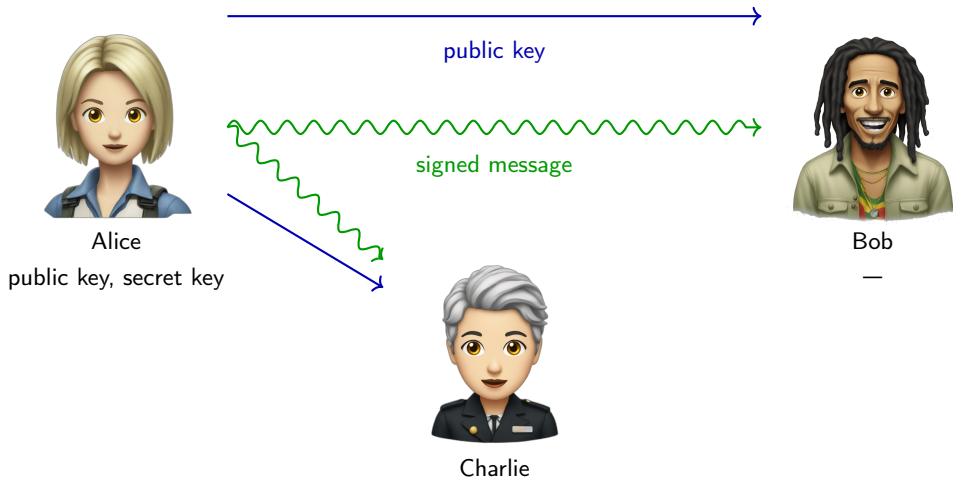


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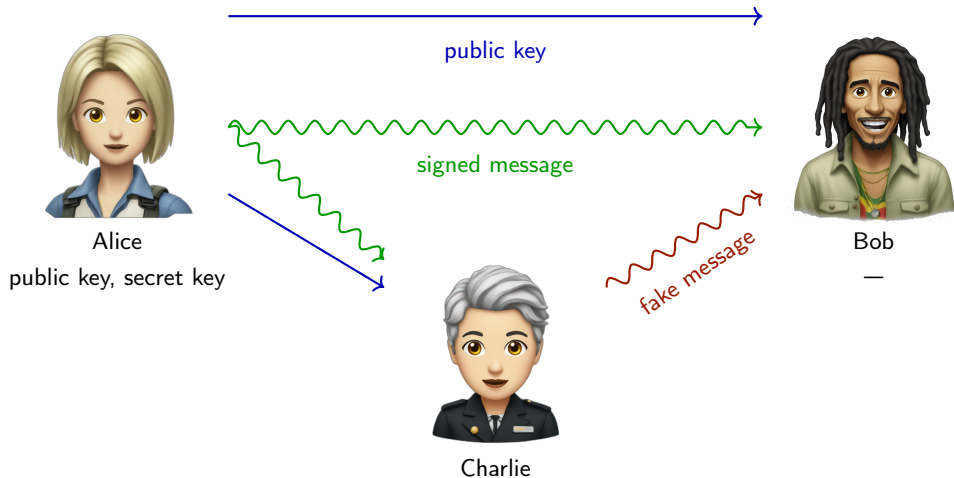
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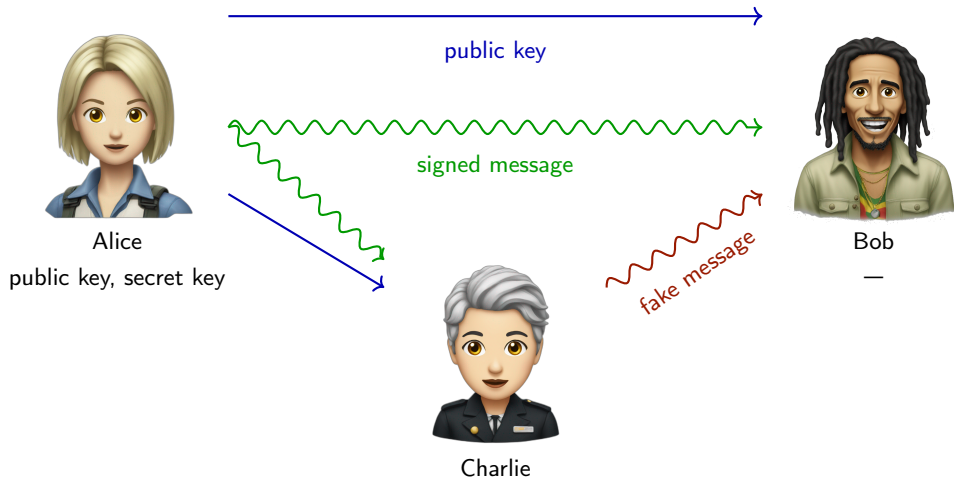


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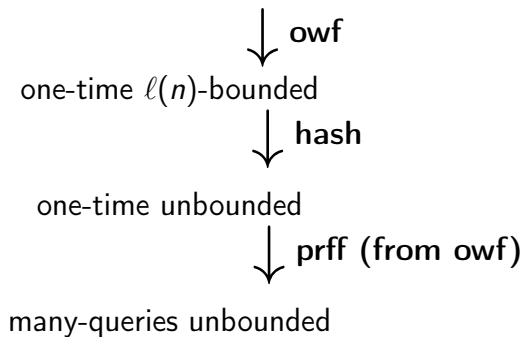
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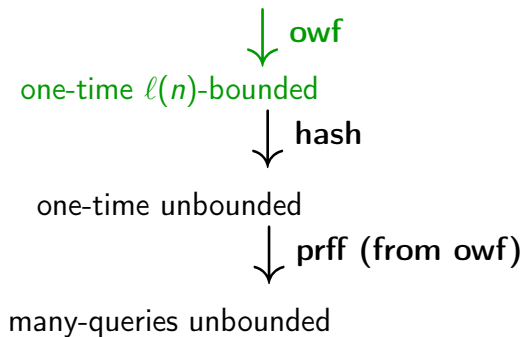
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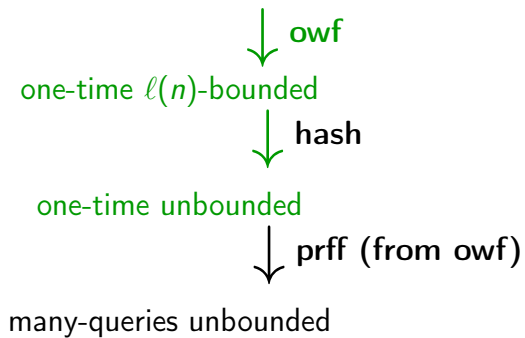
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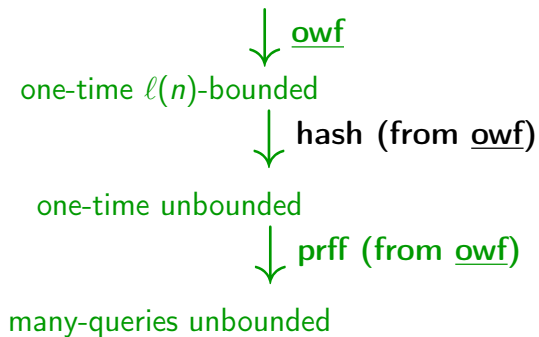
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- ▶ Keys are signed sequentially:

$$\begin{array}{llll} (v_0, & v_1, & S_{s_0}(v_0 & \circ v_1 & , \zeta(00^{n+2}))), \\ (v_{\sigma_1 0}, & v_{\sigma_1 1}, & S_{s_{\sigma_1}}(v_{\sigma_1 0} & \circ v_{\sigma_1 1} & , \zeta(00^{n+1}\sigma_1))), \\ & \dots & & & \end{array}$$

$$(v_{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_{n-1} 0}, v_{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_{n-1} 1}, S_{s_{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_{n-1}}}(v_{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_{n-1} 0} \circ v_{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_{n-1} 1} , \zeta(00^3 \sigma_1 \dots \sigma_{n-1}))).$$



# Reminder: Is Cryptography Possible?

Impagliazzo's Worlds



Russell Impagliazzo

(taken at CSR-2006, SPb, by A. Kulikov)

ALGORITHMICA  
 $P = NP$ , no crypto

$P \neq NP$ , how to use?

HEURISTICA

Easy on the average

Trapdoor functions

CRYPTOMANIA

public-key encryption

digital money

Hard on the average  
... also hard to generate

PESSILAND

No one-way functions

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MINICRYPT

digital signatures

private-key crypto

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