

Project #5

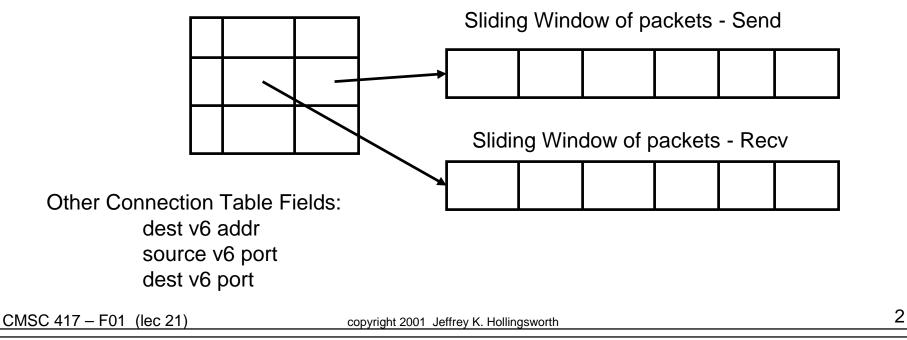
• Goals:

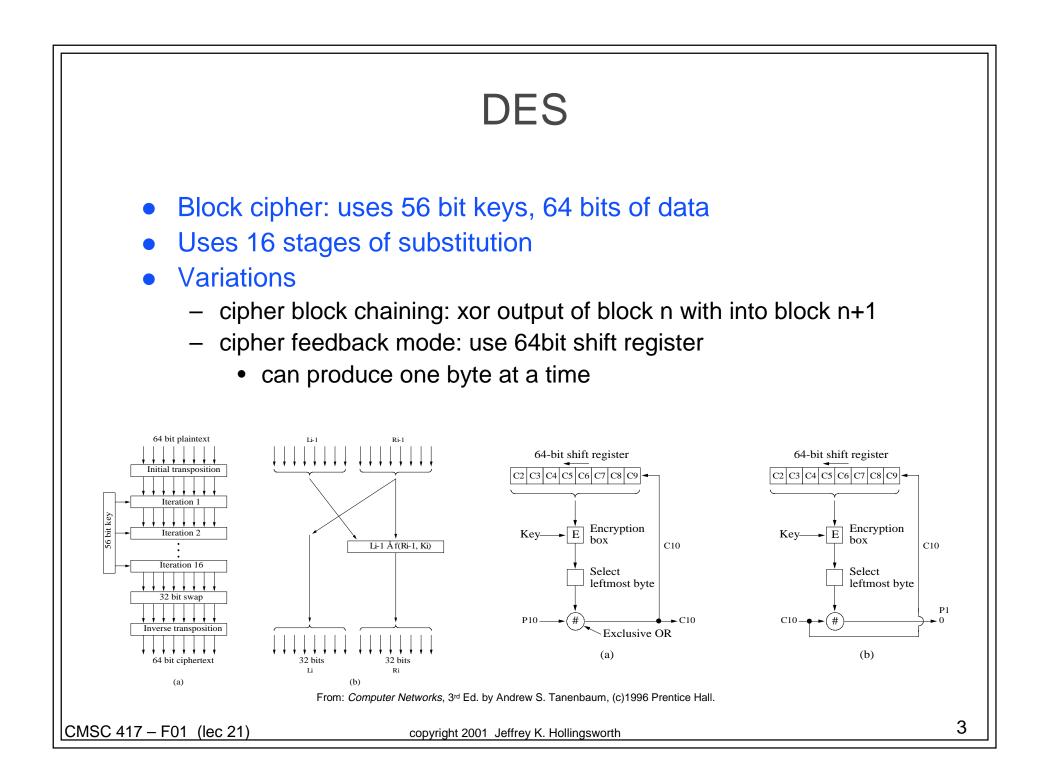
- Develop a reliable transport layer
- Handle multiple active connections

• Issues:

- Design a packet format for your transport connection
- Be able to detect corrupted packets

Connection Table





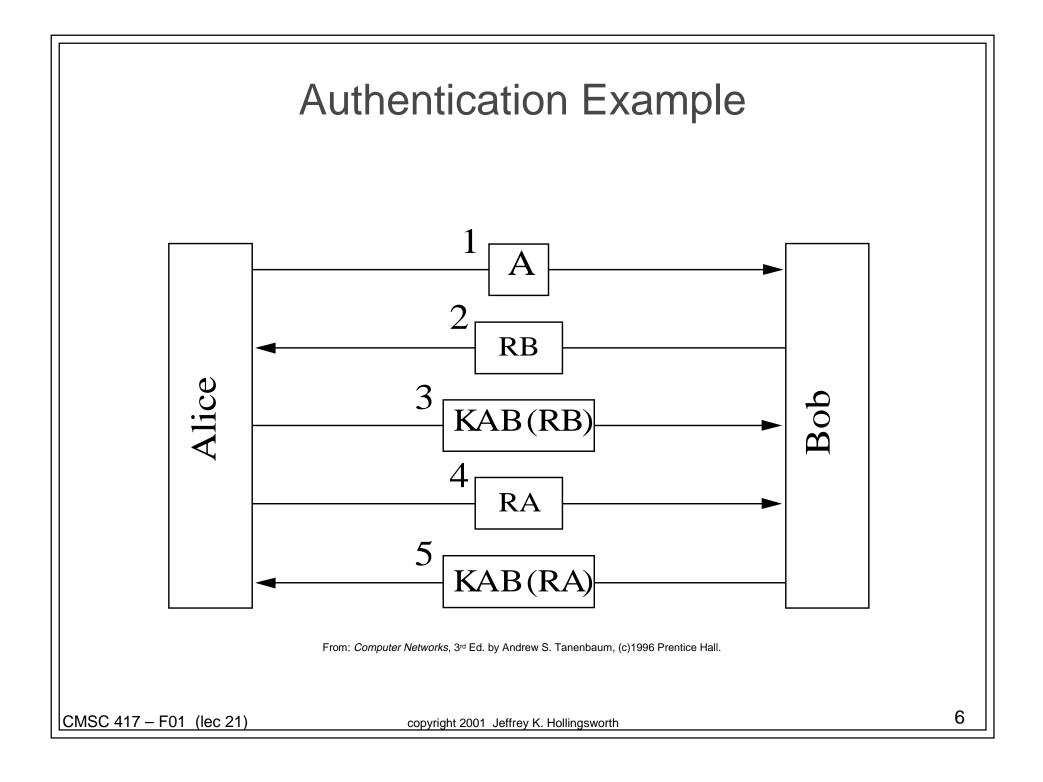
Public Key Encryption

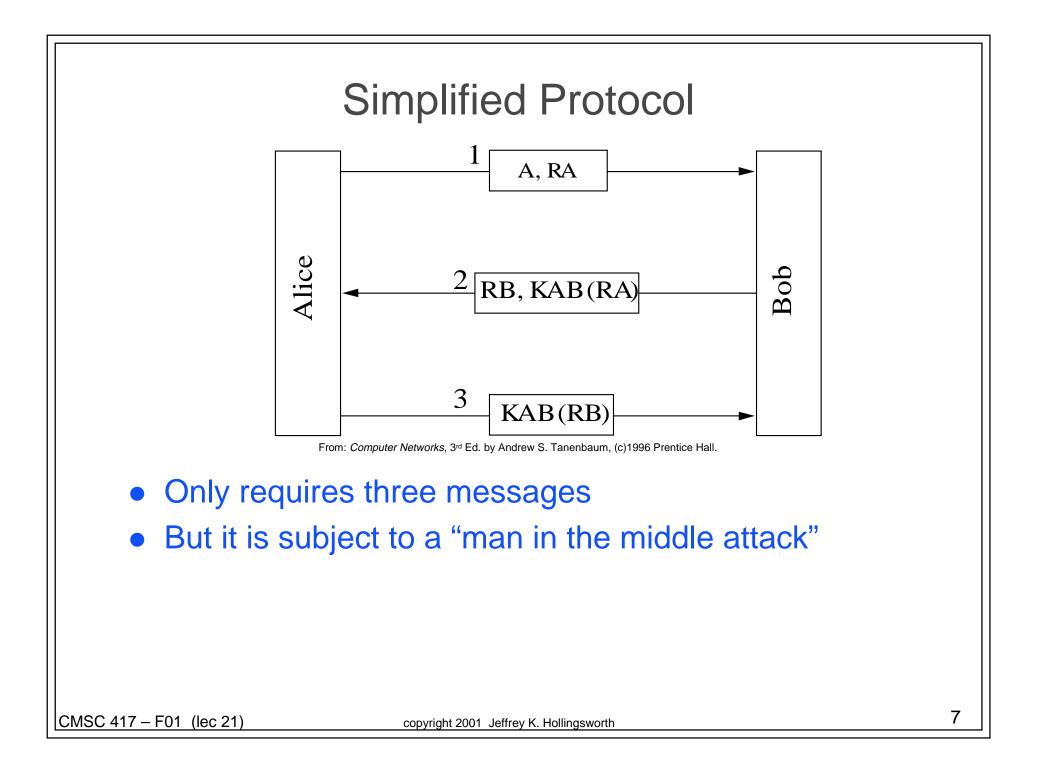
- Split into public and private keys
 - public key used to encrypt messages
 - publish this key widely
 - private key used to decrypt messages
 - keep this key a secret
- RSA
 - algorithm for computing public/private key pairs
 - based on problems involved in factoring large primes
 - for an n bit message P, C = ($P^e \mod n$), and P = ($C^d \mod n$)
- Other Public Key Algorithms
 - knapsack
 - given a large collection of objects with different weights
 - public key is the total weight of a subset of the objects
 - private key is the list of objects

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Authentication

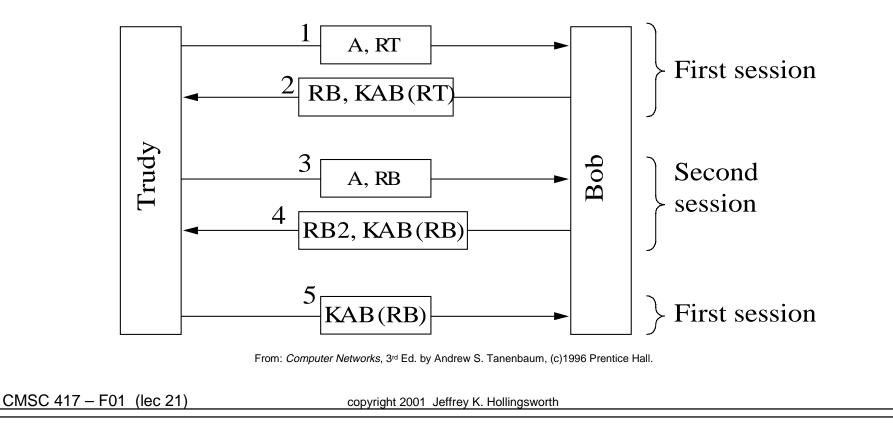
- Identify the parties that wish to communicate
- Create a session key
 - a random string
 - used only for one session
- Authentication based on Shared Keys
 - each party already shares a private key
 - exchanged via an out of band transmission
 - challenge-response
 - send a random string
 - response is the encryption of the random string with the shared key





Attacking the Simplified Protocol

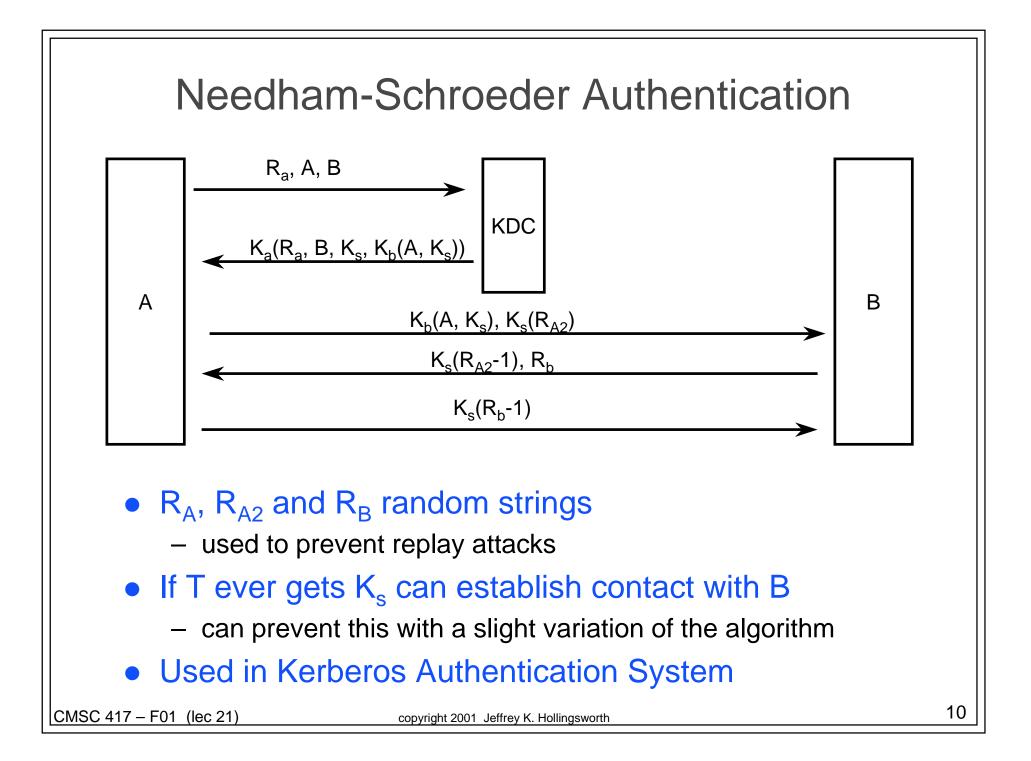
- T can get B to respond to is own challenge
- T opens a second session with B
 - it issues B's session 1 challenge back to B in session 2



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Key Distribution Center

- Problem with Private Key Authentication
 - Need to establish key
 - for n people need n² keys
 - keys must be established via **out-of-band** communication
- Solution: Key Distribution Center (KDC)
 - trusted party used to assist in authentication
 - each party establishes a private key with the center
- have KDC trans-code a message with a session key
 - A sends to KDC <A, $K_A(B, K_s)$ >
 - KDC sends to $B < K_b(A, K_s) >$
 - open to replay attack
 - T logs KDC to B message and all traffic using $\rm K_{s}$



Authentication using Public Keys

 $E_a(R_a, R_b, K_s)$

• Assume each party knows the other's public key $E_b(A, R_a)$

 $K_{s}(R_{b})$

• How To learn others Public Key?

- use a public key server
 - but how do we trust the public key server?
 - have a public key for the public key server
 - possible to have man-in-the-middle attacks
- interlock protocol
 - only send half the message (odd bits) at a time
 - prevents man-in-the-middle attacks
 - still possible to spoof service

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Digital Signatures

- Want to "sign" a message such that:
 - receiver can verify the identity of the sender
 - sender cannot repudiate the contents of the message
 - receiver cannot forge a message
- Central authority (BB)
 - A sends BB A, $K_{a}(B, R_{a}, t, P)$
 - BB sends B $K_b(A, R_a, t, P, K_{bb}(A, t, P))$
 - everyone trusts BB
 - BB can be called on to decrypt messages to verify them

Used to prevent replay attacks when t has not

changed yet (I.e. slow clock)

- BB need not store all message that it validates
- t timestamp used to prevent replay attacks
- Public Key
 - need E(D(P)) = P and D(E(P)) = P
 - A sends B $E_b(D_a(P))$
 - B keeps $D_a(P)$ and third party can use E_a to verify it's from A

Digital Signatures (cont.)

• Problems

- Repudiation
 - inform police that the key was stolen
 - claim the "bad guy" sent the message
- Key Changes
 - need to keep records of when keys were in use

• Standards

- RSA Algorithm
 - popular with many commercial systems
- El Gamal
 - NSA/NIST Standard
 - too new, and private to have trust

Message Digests

- Goal: Send Signed Plain text
 - can use slow cryptography on signature since its short
- Need:
 - Given P, easy to compute MD(P)
 - Given MD(P), impossible to find P
 - no P and P' exist such that MD(P) = MD(P')
 - use hash functions that produce >= 128 bit digest
- Operation
 - A sends P, $D_a(MD(P))$
- Digest Functions
 - MD5
 - produces 128 bit digest
 - SHS
 - NSA/NIST effort
 - produces 160 bit output

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