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Identity and anonymity protocols

Global outline

- Theme: protecting identity on the Internet
- 4 lectures ($4 \times 1.5\text{h} = 6\text{h}$)
 - Authentication
 - Authentication (4th Dec, part I)
 - Simple anonymous credentials (4th Dec, part II)
 - Anonymous communications & traffic analysis
 - High latency (6th Dec, part I)
 - Low latency (6th Dec, part II)
- Practical deployment and relation with computer security

Secure Authentication

Forward secrecy, privacy, Denial of Service protection, weak passwords...

Why Authentication?

- Authentication protocols
 - Check the assertion a user makes about her identity
 - Studied very early
 - (e.g. Needham-Schroeder 1978 – already sophisticated)
 - Large volume of literature & Formal analysis
 - (Formal / Dolev-Yao model)
- Why such fuss?
 - Key role in computer security
 - Access control matrix:
 - Describe what operations subjects can perform on objects.
 - Identify subject to make decision!

Authentication first!

- Old days – UNIX, mainframes, ...
 - Authentication: first interaction with system.
 - Known users interact with few known systems.
 - Username and password requested and transmitted in clear – user authentication.
 - Context dedicated lines linking terminals to mainframe!
 - If you were in the terminal room you were already ok.
 - Physical security important and strong.
 - Shared keys used for network authentication between mainframes
 - Too few for key management to be an issue

Authentication last?

- Today – Internet
 - Substantial public space requires no authentication
 - DoS, Phishing, ...
 - Business with strangers
 - No pre-existing shared keys
 - Public key cryptography needed!
- Anyone can talk to a network host
 - Authentication is last!
 - Transmitted over the insecure network.
 - Adversaries lurking everywhere!
 - Eavesdropping, Phishing, Denial of Service, credential stealing, ...

Our focus

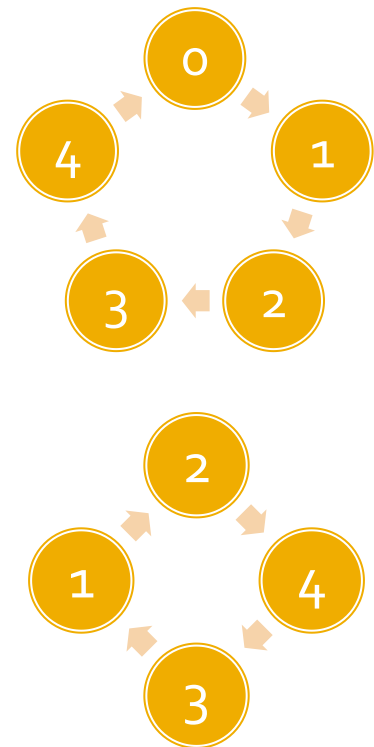
- Study two protocols used for authentication
- Just Fast Keying (JFK)
 - (W. Aiello, S. Bellovin, M. Blaze, R. Canetti, J. Ioannidis, A. Keromytis, O. Reingold – 2003)
 - Core security: public key based key exchange
 - Nice features: Denial of Service prevention, privacy, forward secrecy.
 - Roadmap: Diffie-Hellman exchange, JFK, properties
- Password-Authenticated Key exchange (PAK)
 - (Boyko, MacKenzie, Patel – 2000)
 - Password based key exchange
 - Secure against guessing attacks
 - Roadmap: standard password authentication, PAK, (server strengthening)

Revision

- Discrete logarithm and related cryptographic problems
- Diffie-Hellman key exchange
- ISO 9798-3 Authentication protocol

Discrete logarithms (I)

- Assume p a large prime
 - (>1024 bits— 2048 bits)
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 - Denote the field of integers modulo p as Z_p
- Example with $p=5$
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 - Such that g is a generator
 - Example: $g=2$



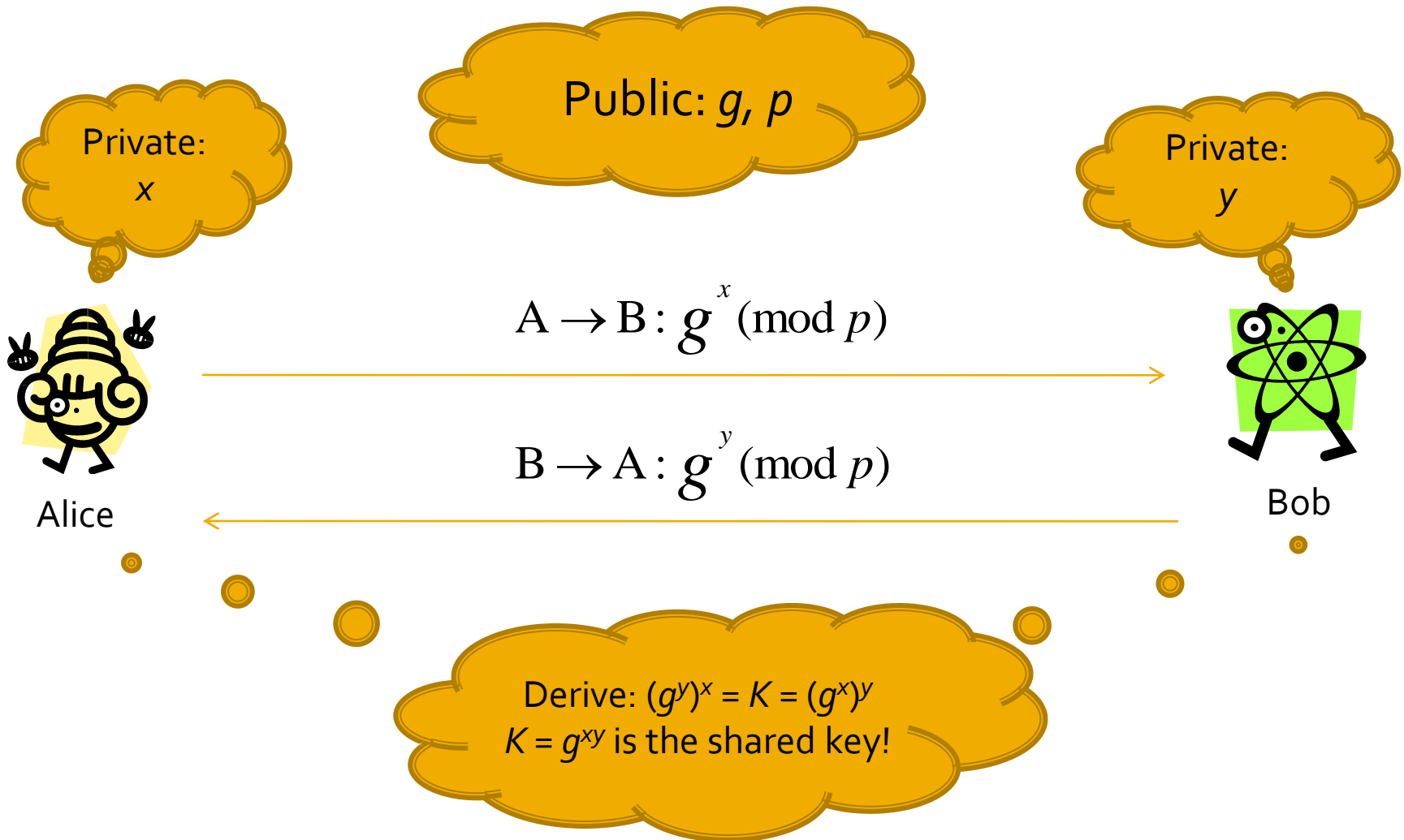
Discrete logarithms (II)

- Exponentiation is computationally easy:
 - Given g and x , easy to compute g^x
- But logarithm is computationally hard:
 - Given g and g^x , difficult to find $x = \log_g g^x$
 - If p is large it is practically impossible
- Related DH problem
 - Given (g, g^x, g^y) difficult to find g^{xy}
 - Stronger assumption than DL problem

Diffie-Hellman (I)

- Alice (A) and Bob (B) do not share any keys
- They want to chat securely
 - Confidentiality (encryption),
 - Integrity (message authentication),
 - Both need a shared key!
- Diffie-Hellman protocol (1976)
 - Key exchange protocol
 - Two parties end up sharing a private key.
- Not authentication yet!

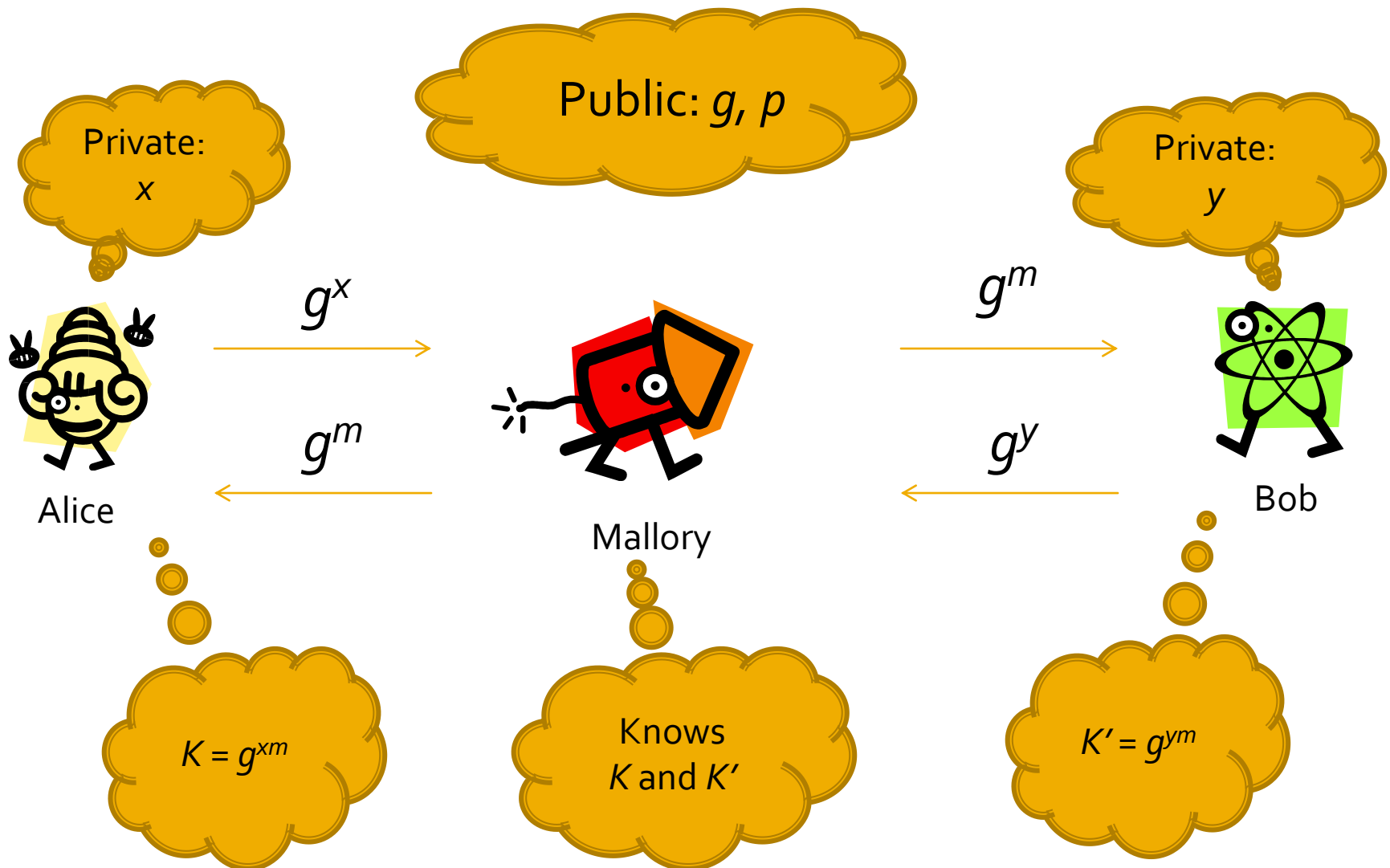
Diffie-Hellman (II)



Diffie-Hellman (III)

- Secure against passive adversaries
 - Just looking at messages in the network
 - From g, g^x, g^y cannot learn anything about x, y or g^{xy}
 - Slight problem: K is always the same – not fresh!
- Insecure against active adversaries
 - Adversary can delete, insert, modify messages
 - Man-in-the-middle attack

Diffie-Hellman (MITM)



Diffie-Hellman (IV)

- How to secure DH against MITM?
 - Alice and Bob know the fingerprint of each other's keys
 - Telephone directory with hashes of public keys?
(Original proposal)
 - PKI: Public Key Infrastructure
 - Trusted party that distributes signed certificates linking names (Alice or Bob, or URLs) to public keys.
- Authenticated key-exchange

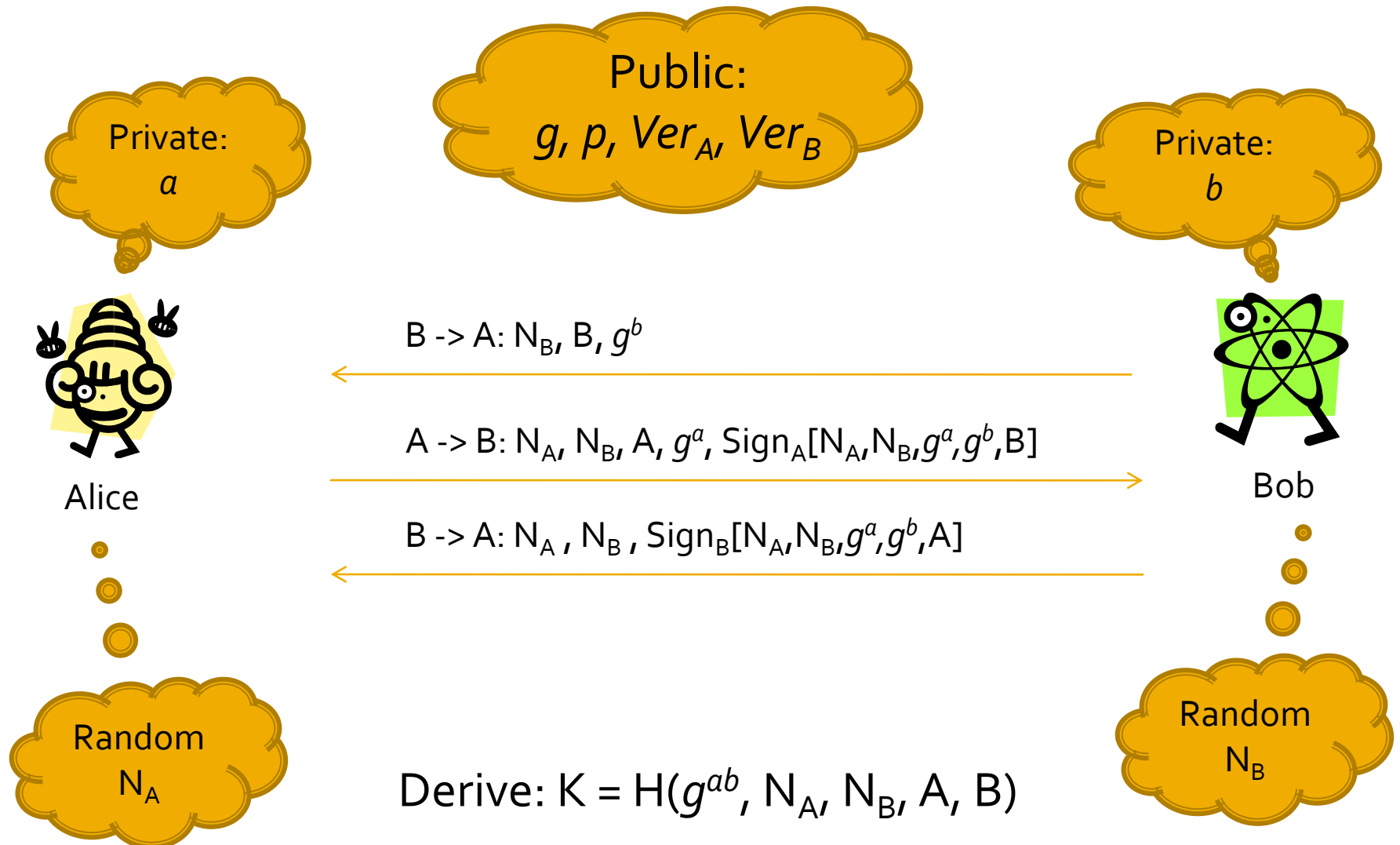
ISO 9798-3 – Authenticated DH

- ISO: International Standards Organization
 - (ISO 216 defines the A4 paper size)
- Improves on the Diffie-Hellman exchange:
 - Freshness of keys
 - Both parties contribute fresh random numbers to be used as part of key derivation.
 - MITM protection using long term signature keys
 - Verification keys for the signatures of Alice and Bob are known to each other.
 - (Probably through some PKI)

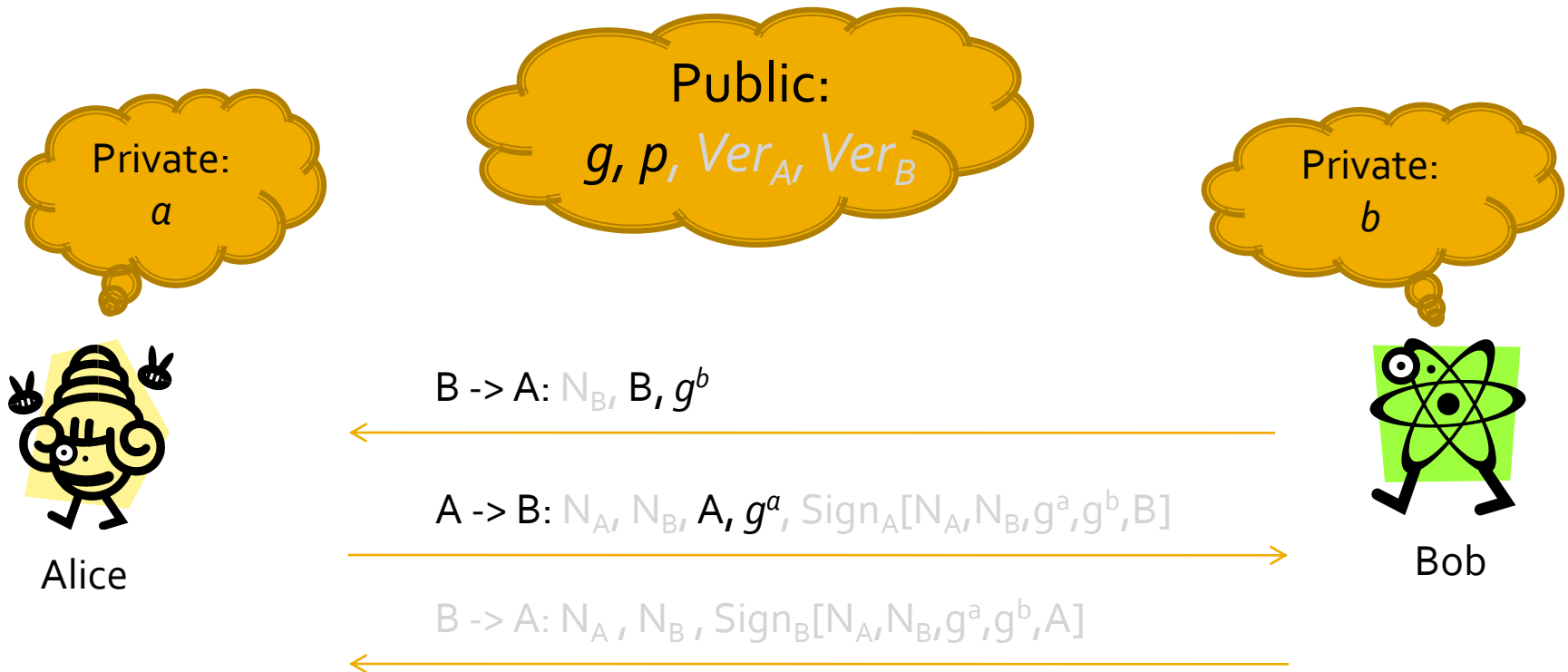
Some Notation

- $\text{Sign}_A[M]$ – Signature of M with A 's key
(There is a certificate linking A and her key)
- $H[M]$ – Hash function
- $H_K[M]$ – Keyed hash function
- $\{M\}_K$ – Symmetric Encrypt & MAC

ISO 9798-3 (I)

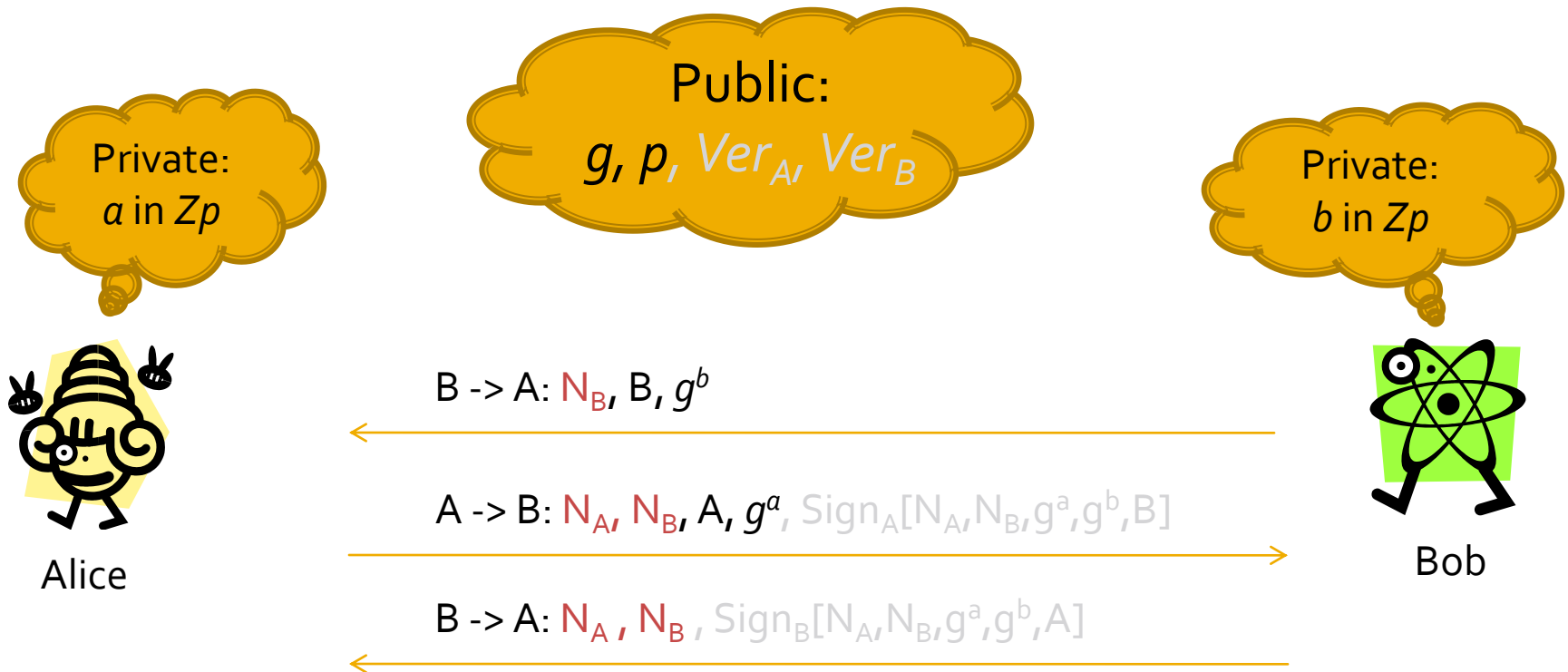


ISO 9798-3 as Diffie-Hellman



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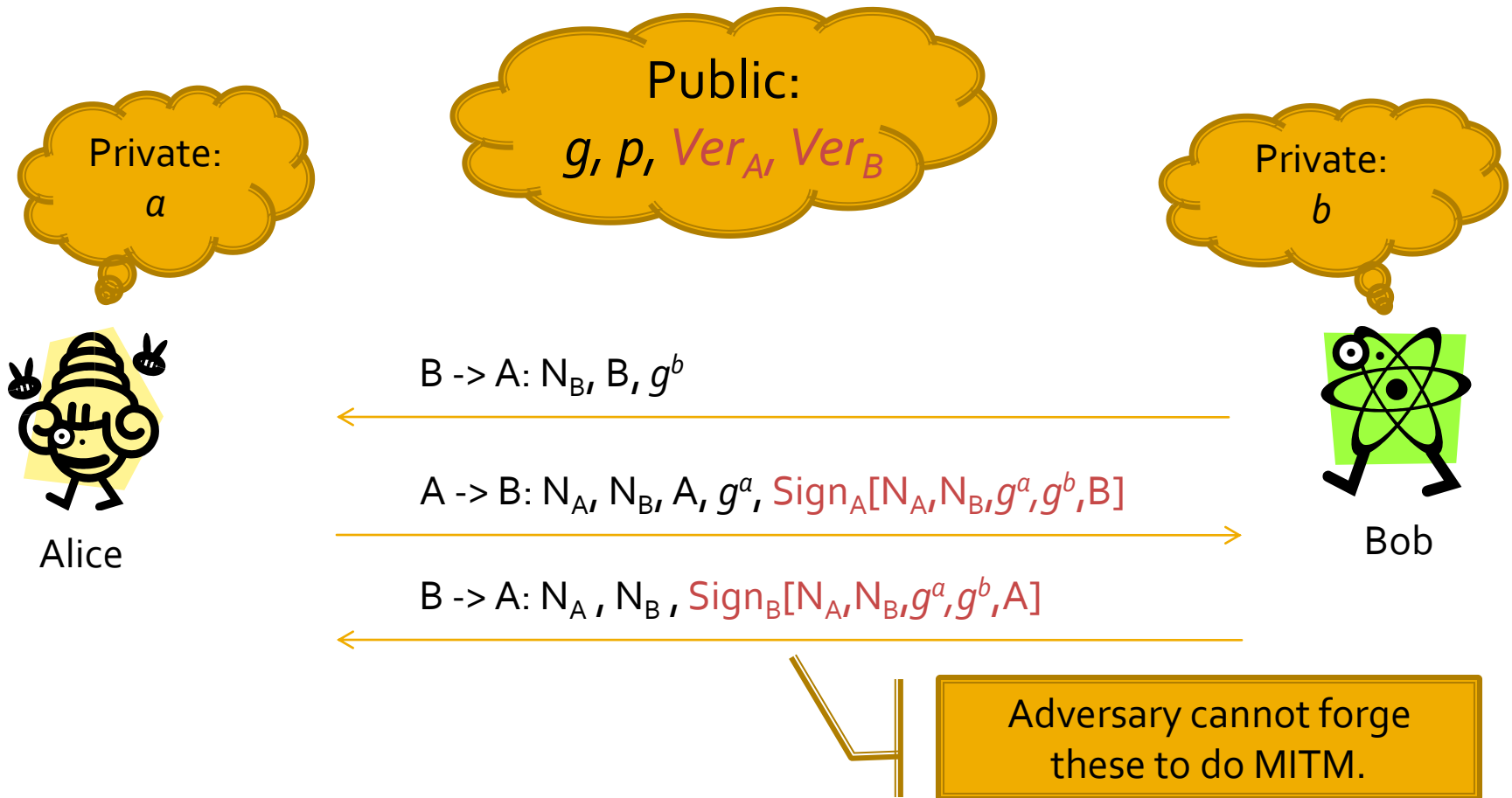
ISO 9798-3 – Freshness



K will always be different,
Even if g^a, g^b are reused.

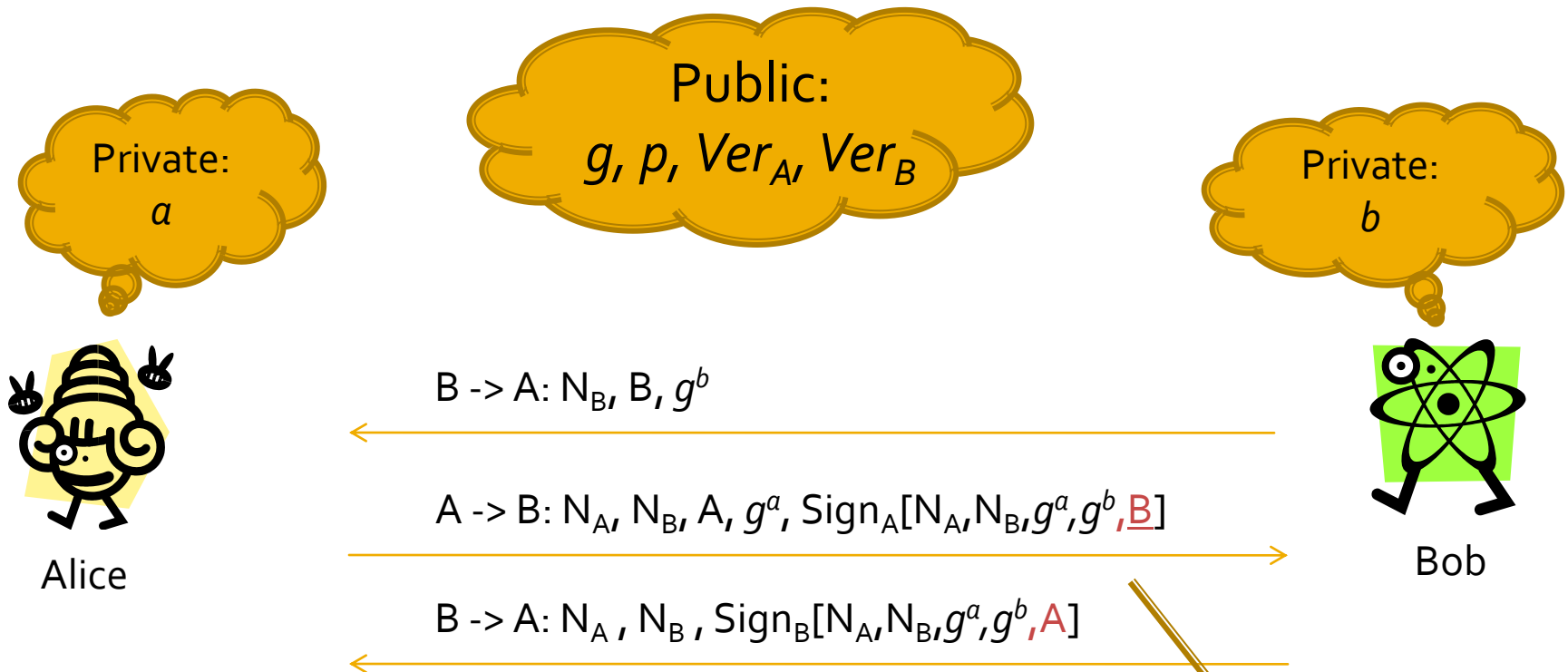
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ISO 9798-3 – Authenticity



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ISO 9798-3 – Home work



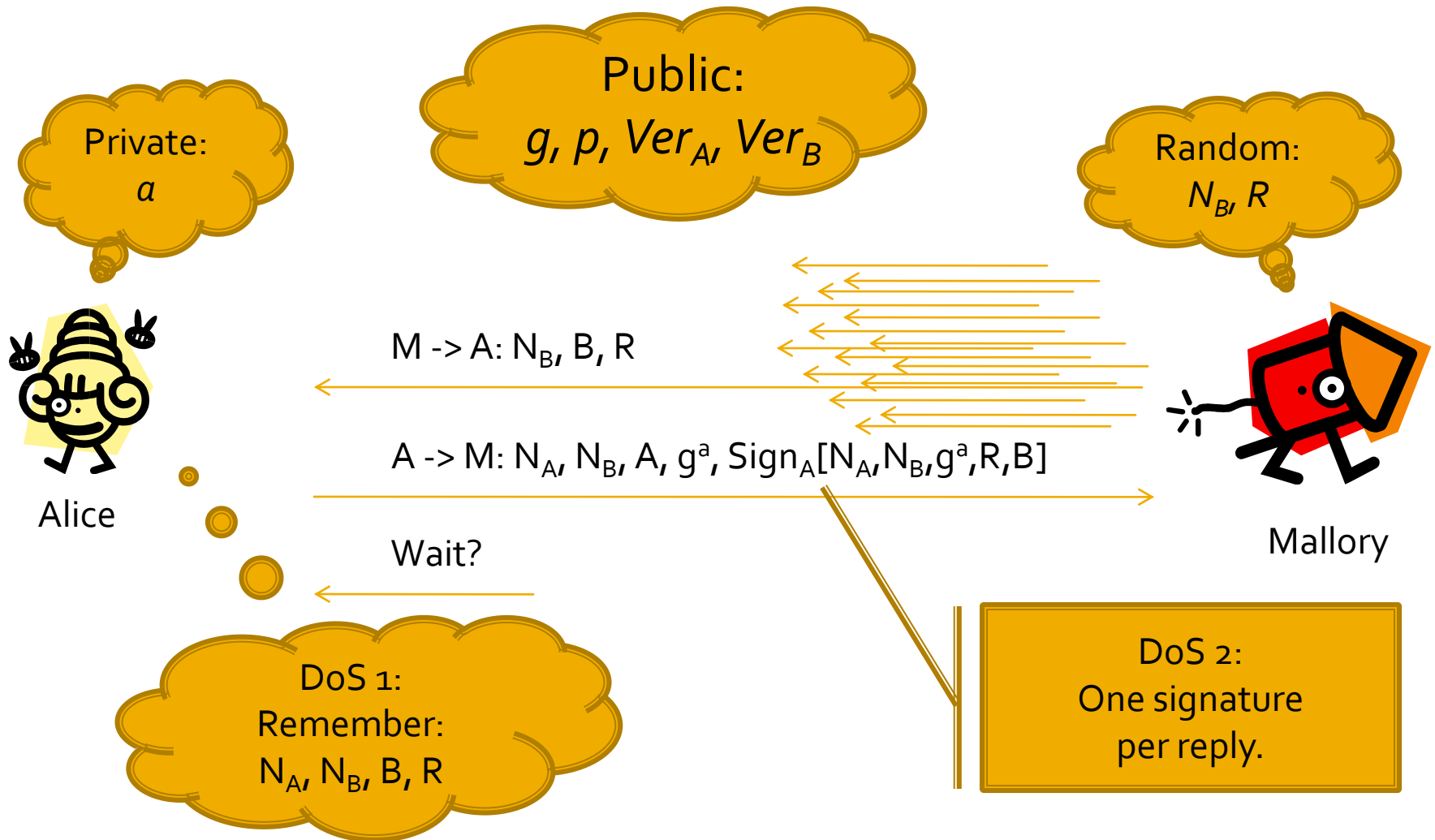
What happens if we do not sign the identities?

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Notes on ISO 9798-3

- Forward secrecy – GOOD
 - If g^a and g^b are ephemeral (deleted after the exchange).
 - Revealing the long term signature keys does not compromise K!
- Alice and Bob are certain of each other's identities – GOOD
 - So is any passive eavesdropper
 - Privacy concern – BAD
- Alice maintains state before knowing Bob.
 - Denial of Service: resource depletion (memory) – BAD

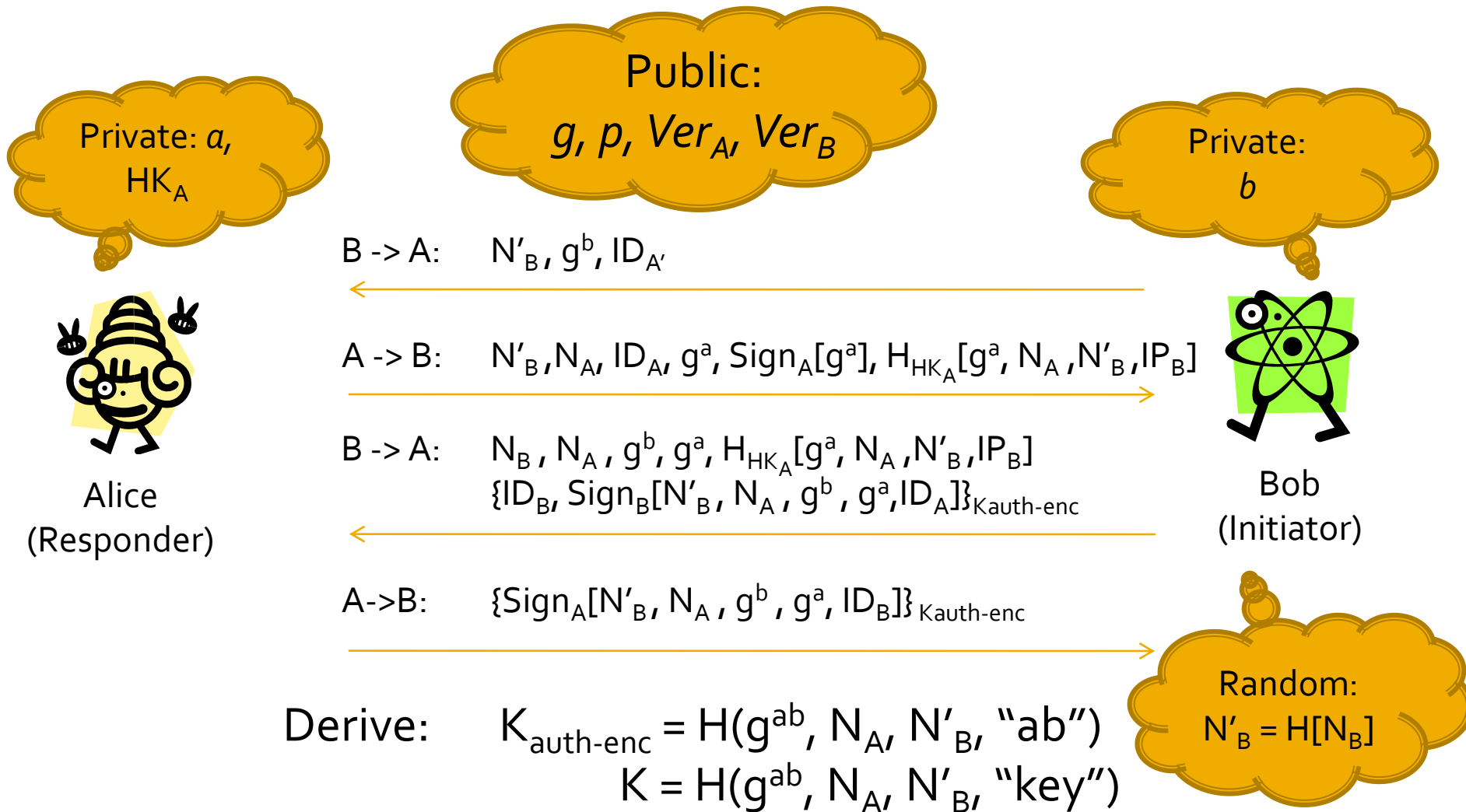
ISO 9798-3 – Denial of Service



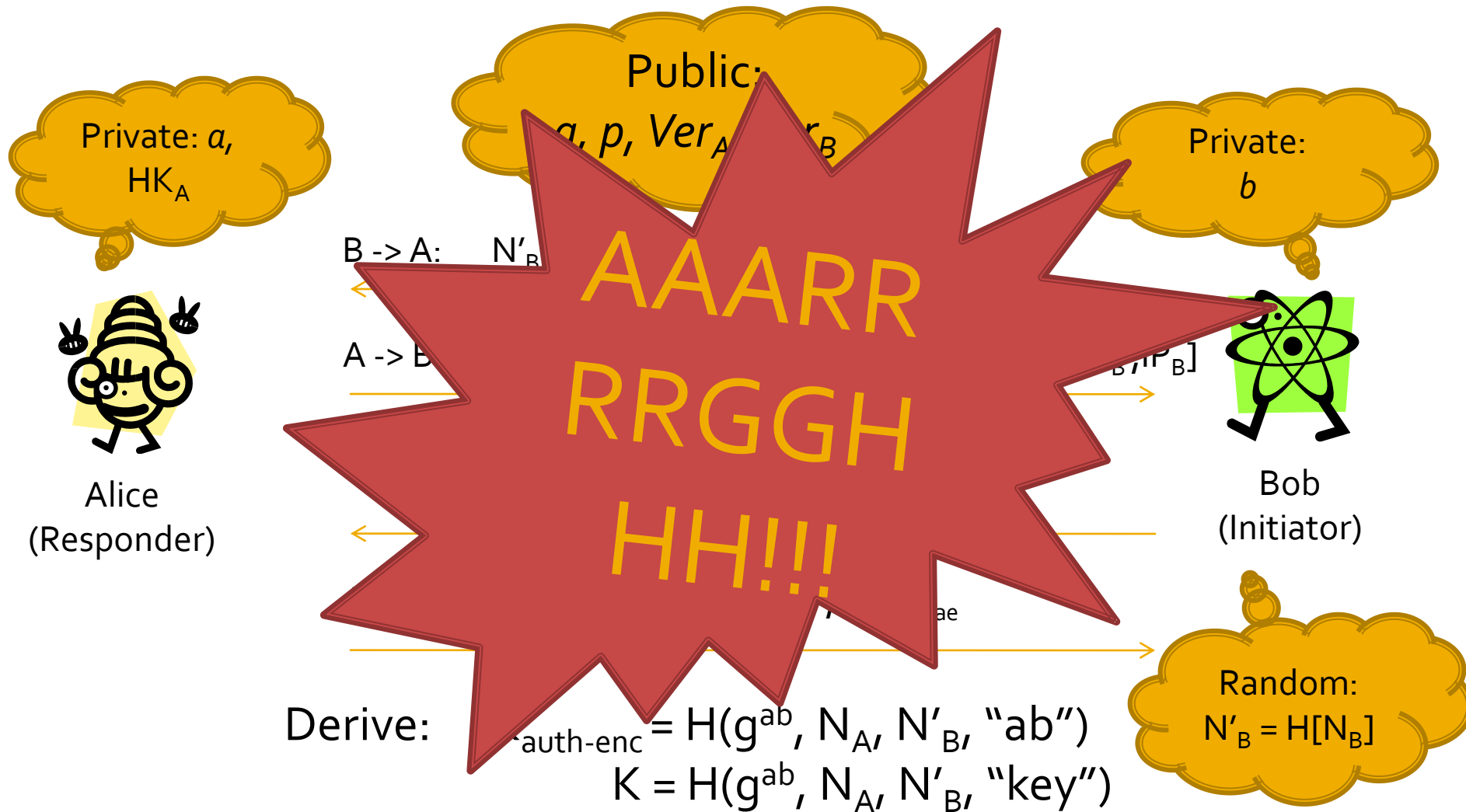
Just Fast Keying (JFKi)

- Authenticated key-exchange
 - All properties of ISO 9798-3
- New properties
 - Denial of Service protection
 - Privacy
 - Initiator's identity is not revealed to third parties.
 - (Responder's identity is revealed.)
- Detailed look at JFKi
 - JFKr – privacy for responder

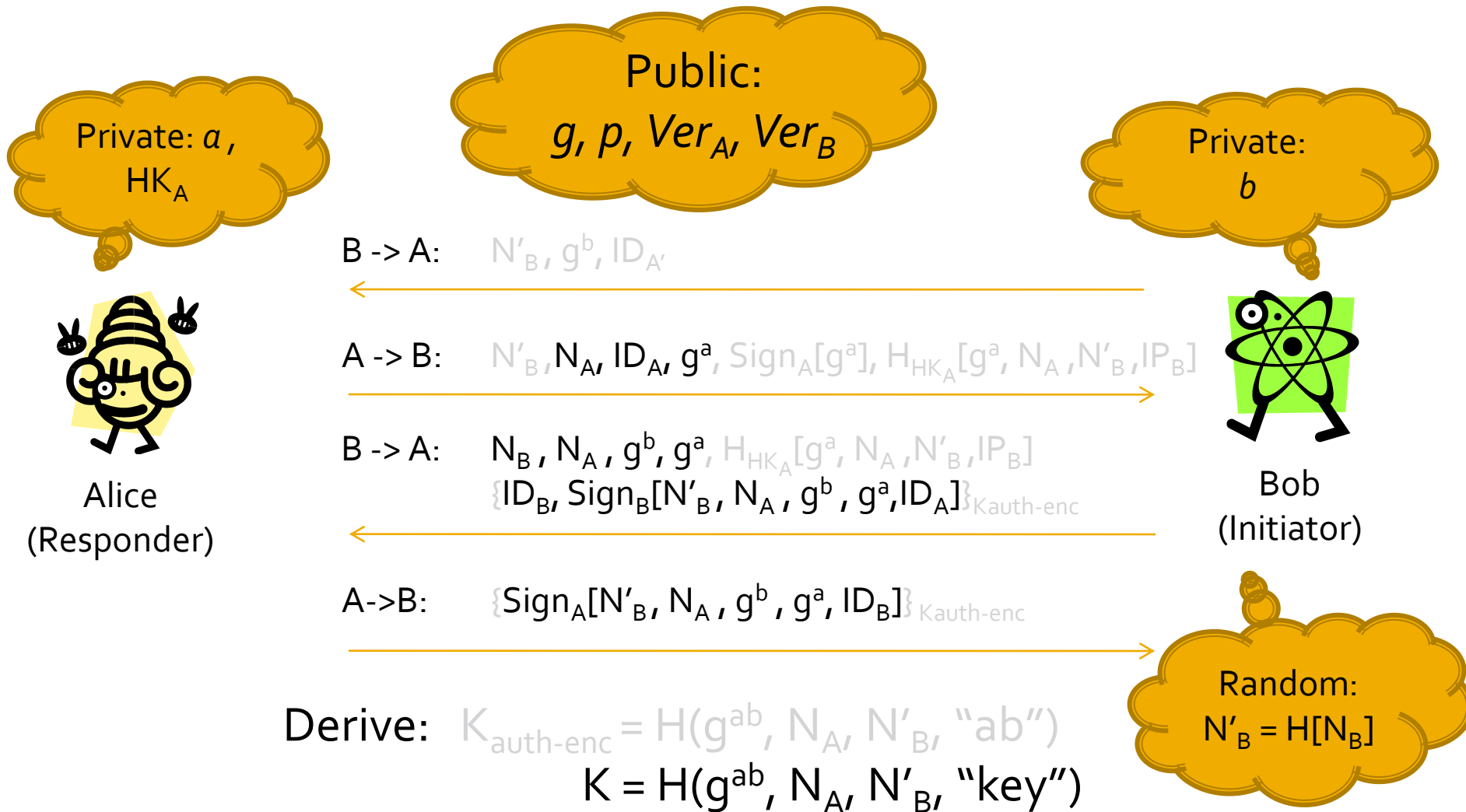
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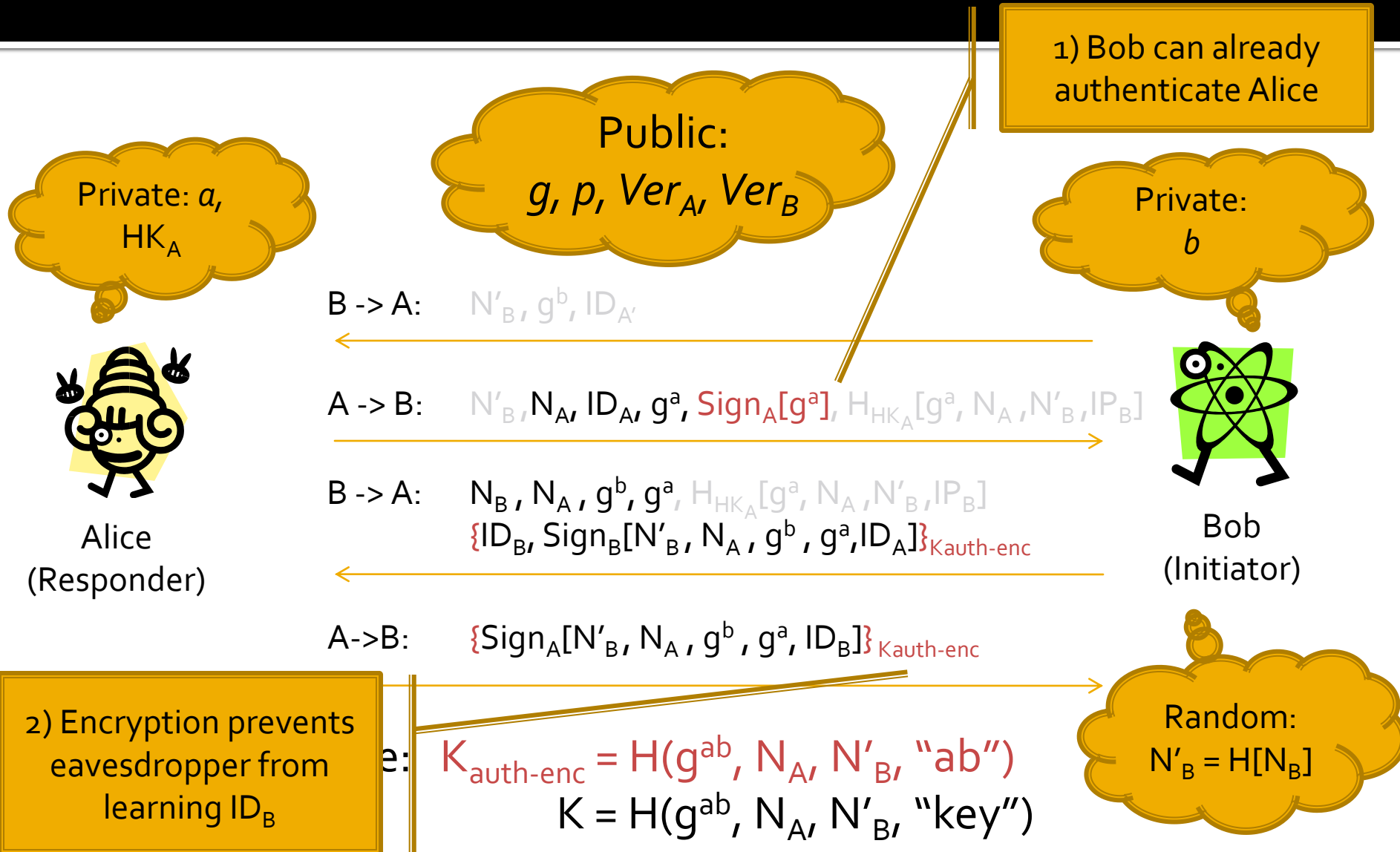
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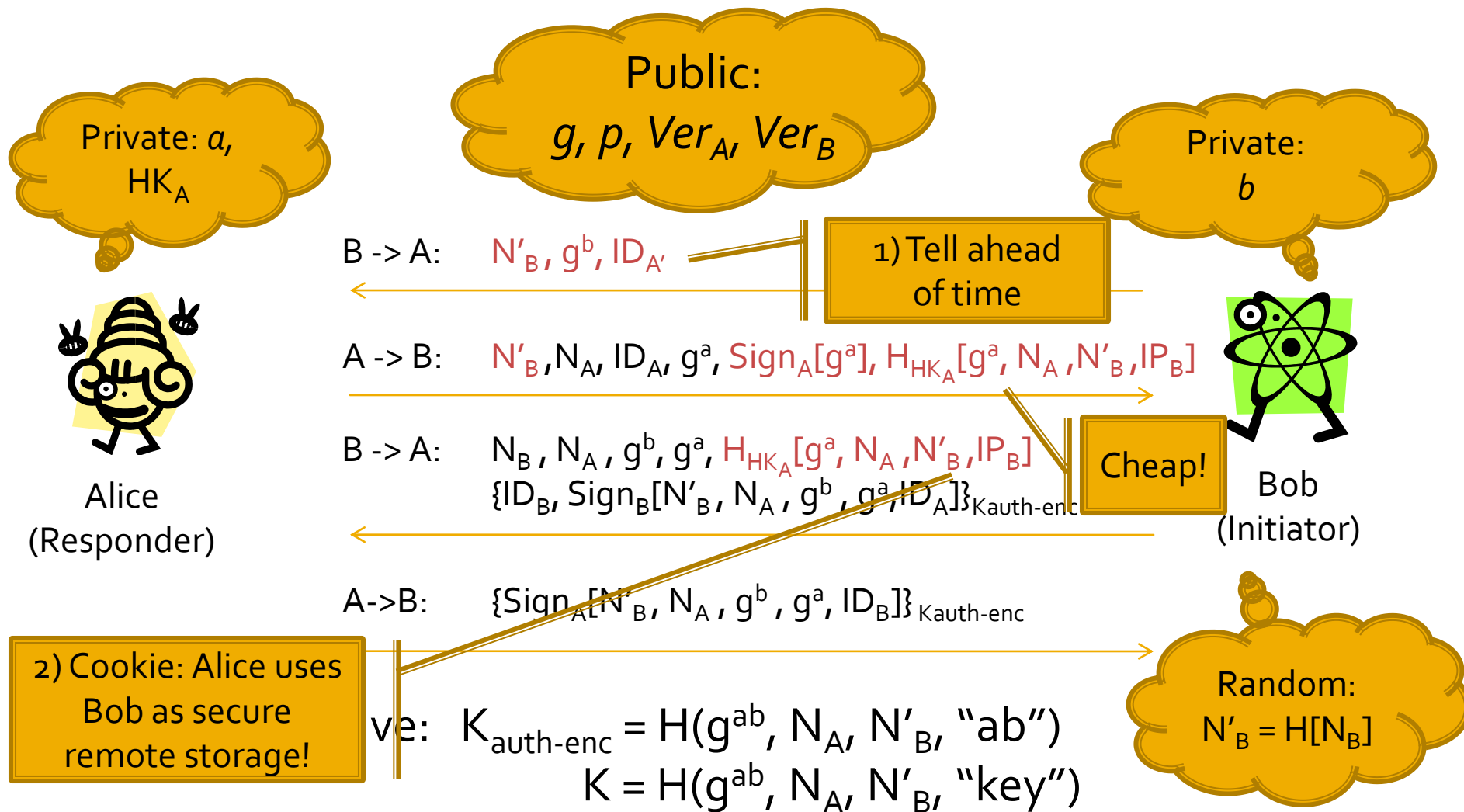
JFKi – The ISO 9798-3 core



JFKi – Initiator privacy



JFKi – DoS Prevention



Summary of key concepts (1)

USUAL

- Key exchange (DH)
- Authentication of key exchange
 - Freshness
 - Signatures & certificates (PKI)

HOT

- Forward secrecy
 - Ephemeral keys
- Privacy
 - Authenticate before telling
 - Protect against passive adversaries
- Denial of service prevention
 - Cookies

What about passwords?

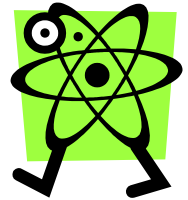
- PKI, certificates, shared cryptographic keys
 - Not very usable
 - Need bootstrapping
- Web authentication
 - Password based
- Small device pairing – using 4-digit PINs
 - Smart phones
 - Bluetooth
 - User interface constraints

Naive password authentication (1)



Alice
(Server)

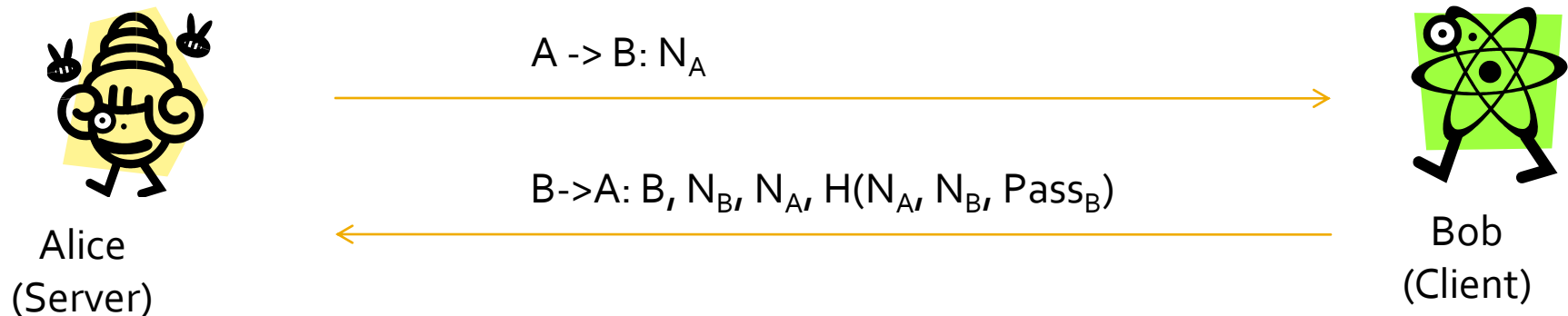
B → A: B, Pass_B



Bob
(Client)

- Most web services
- Eavesdropper can get Pass_B (SSL?)
- Alice does not store passwords in clear
 - Alice DB: B, S_B, H(Pass_B, S_B, B) – S_B called 'salt'
 - Can still check passwords

Naive password authentication (2)

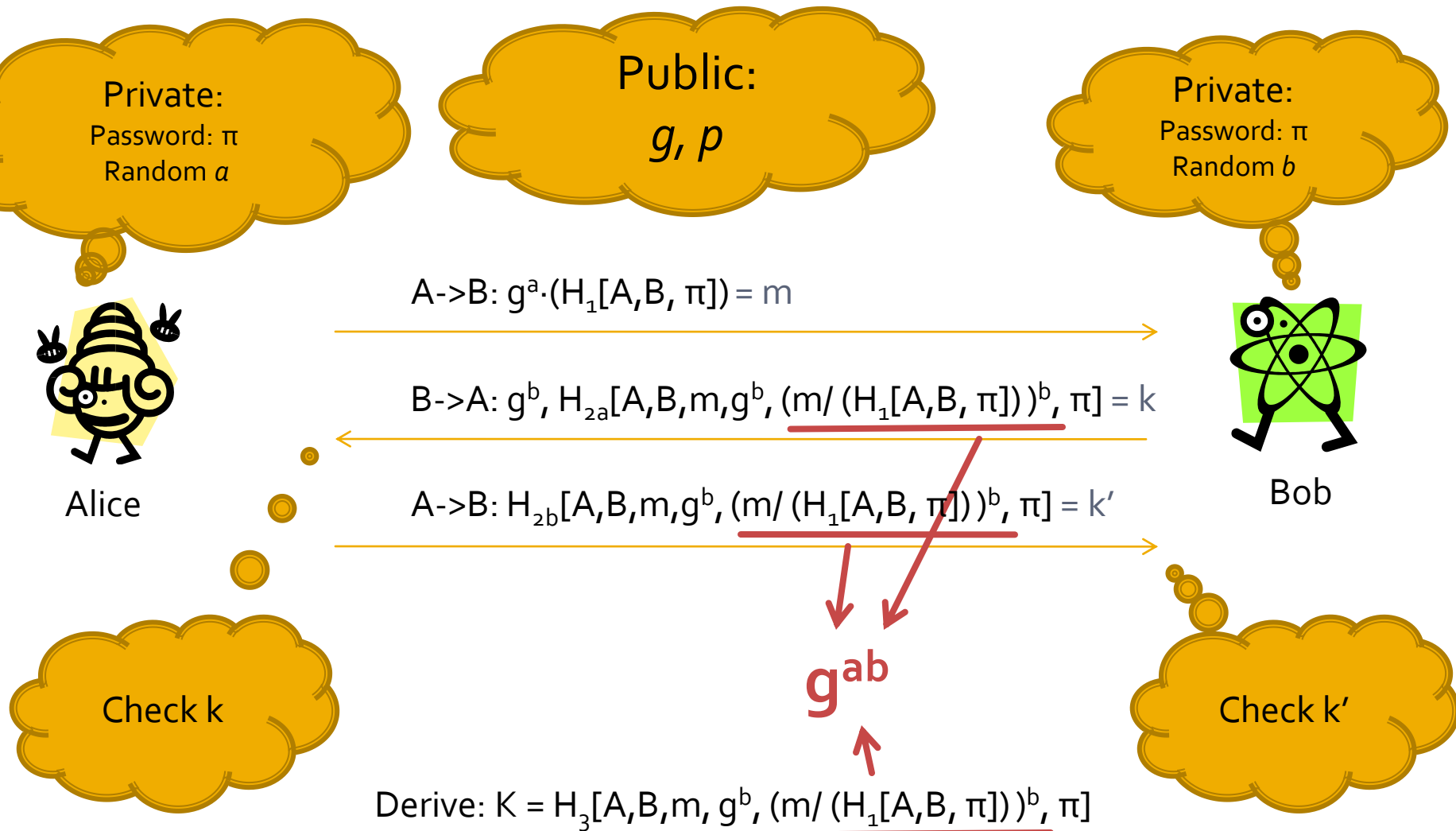


- HTTP digest authentication
- Problem 1: No server authentication
- Problem 2: Off-line guessing attacks
 - Entropy of PIN or passwords small
 - Try all words in dictionary until you get $H(N_A, N_B, Pass_B)$
- Server compromise is bad – no hashing/salting

Password auth. – Requirements

- Alice and Bob share a weak secret
 - a short PIN (4-digits)
 - Password (dictionary word)
 - Low entropy
- Mutual authentication
- Derive a cryptographically strong key
 - Encryption / message authentication
- No off-line guessing attacks
- (Security against server compromise)

PAK – Definition



PAK – Diffie-Hellman core

Private:
Password: π
Random a

Public:
 g, p

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Random b

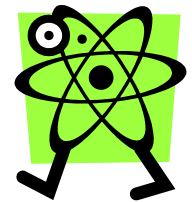


Alice

$$A \rightarrow B: g^a \cdot (H_1[A, B, \pi]) = m$$

$$B \rightarrow A: g^b, H_{2a}[A, B, m, g^b, g^{ab}, \pi] = k$$

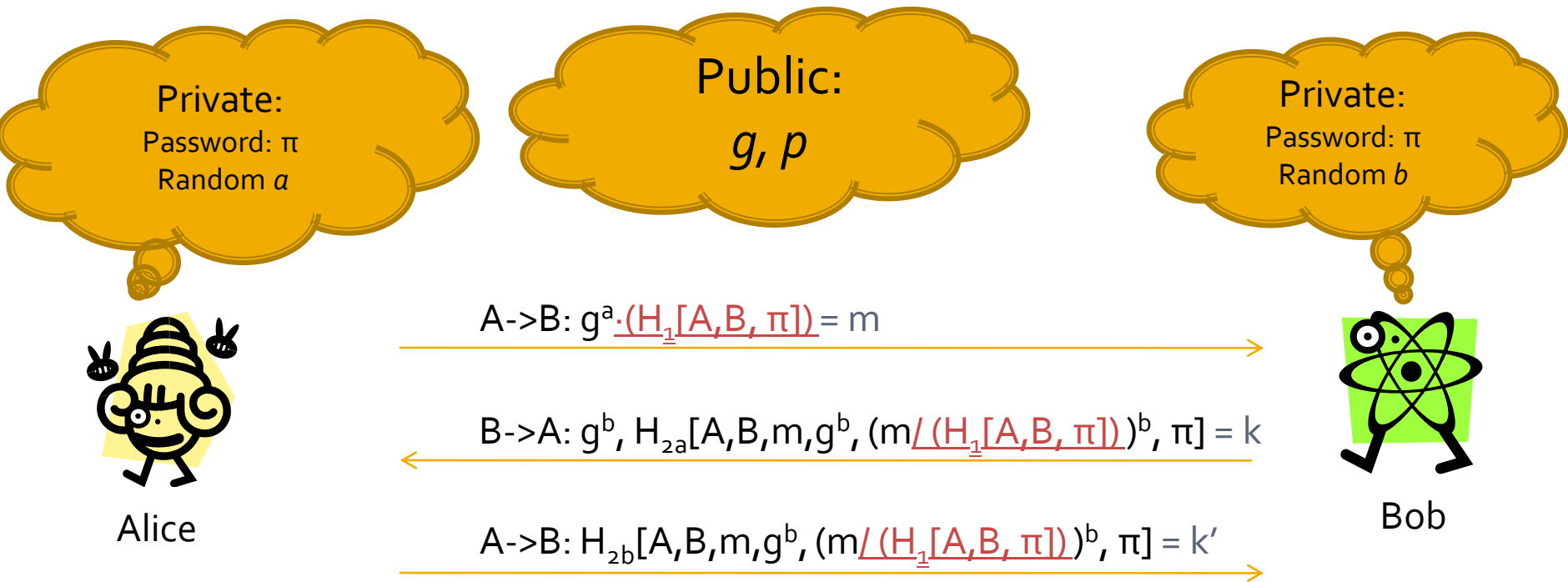
$$A \rightarrow B: H_{2b}[A, B, m, g^b, g^{ab}, \pi] = k'$$



Bob

$$\text{Derive: } K = H_3[A, B, m, g^b, (m / (H_1[A, B, \pi]))^b, \pi]$$

PAK – Authentication?



The ability to blind and un-blind proves knowledge of the password π .

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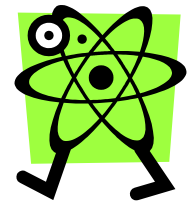


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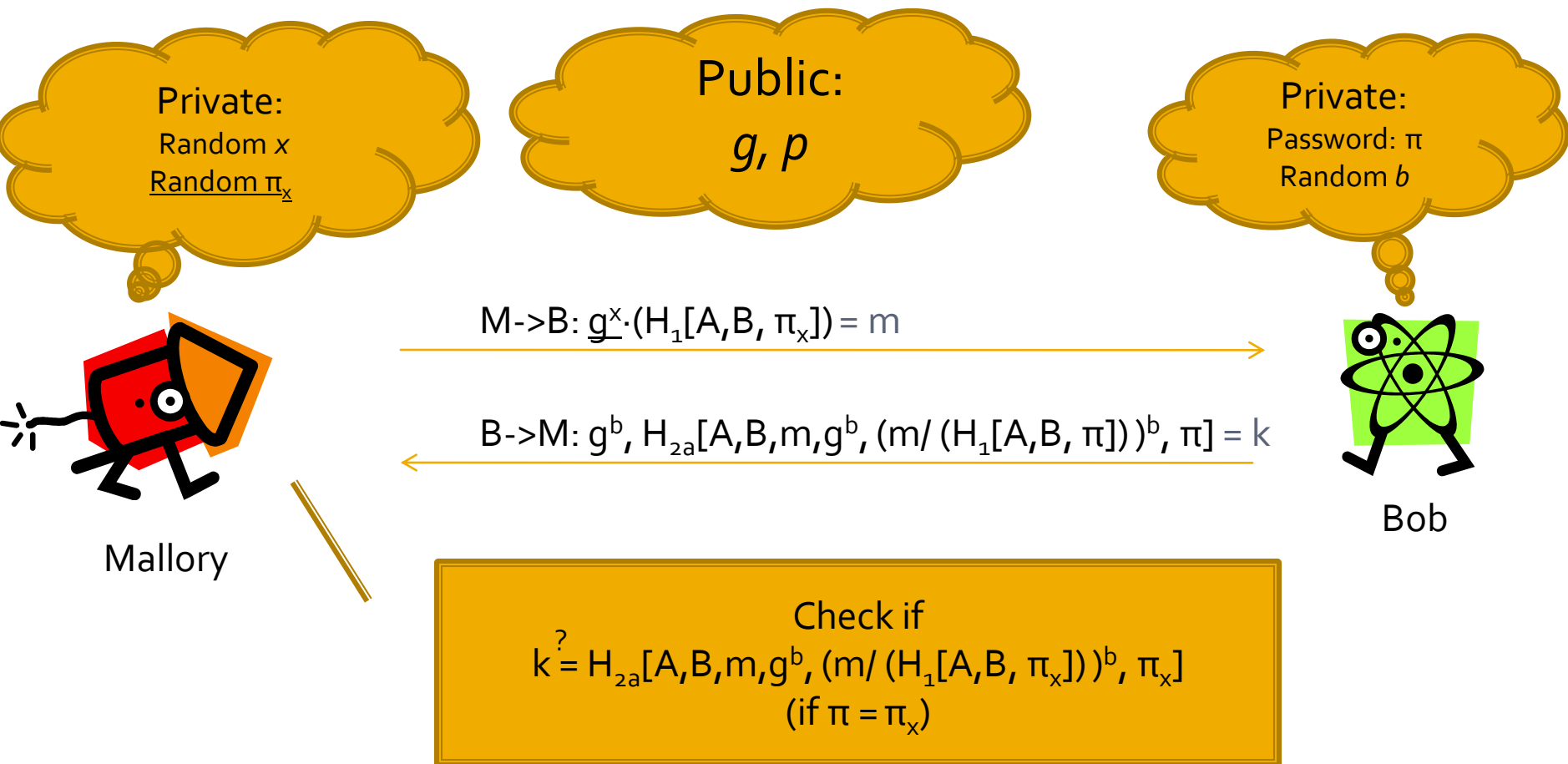
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PAK – on-line guessing



Security precaution: limit the number of attempts!

Practical considerations

- Denial of Service
 - Adversary can lock users out!
 - Require to give up after few attempts.
- Implicit names
 - Alice and Bob expect to talk to each other
 - Otherwise ... Privacy concerns
- Public key operation – more expensive than hashing.
- PAK-X: server compromise-resistant.

Summary of key concepts (2)

- A weak password can bootstrap a strong one
 - Force adversary to go active
 - PAK-X modification to allow salting (home work)
- Key problems
 - Denial of service
- Applicability
 - Pairing devices
 - Shy adversaries 😊
 - Not www, login, ...

In conclusion

- Expect a lot from your authentication
 - Key derivation (not just identification)
 - Forward secrecy
 - Denial of service prevention
 - Privacy
- More properties
 - Federation, thin client, ...
- Do not design your own protocol unless you understand all those in the literature!

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Anonymous credentials

Proving certified attributes without leaking identities

A critique of identity

- Identity as a proxy to check credentials
 - Username decides access in Access Control Matrix
- Sometime it leaks too much information
- Real world examples
 - Tickets allow you to use cinema / train
 - Bars require customers to be older than 18
 - But do you want the barman to know your address?

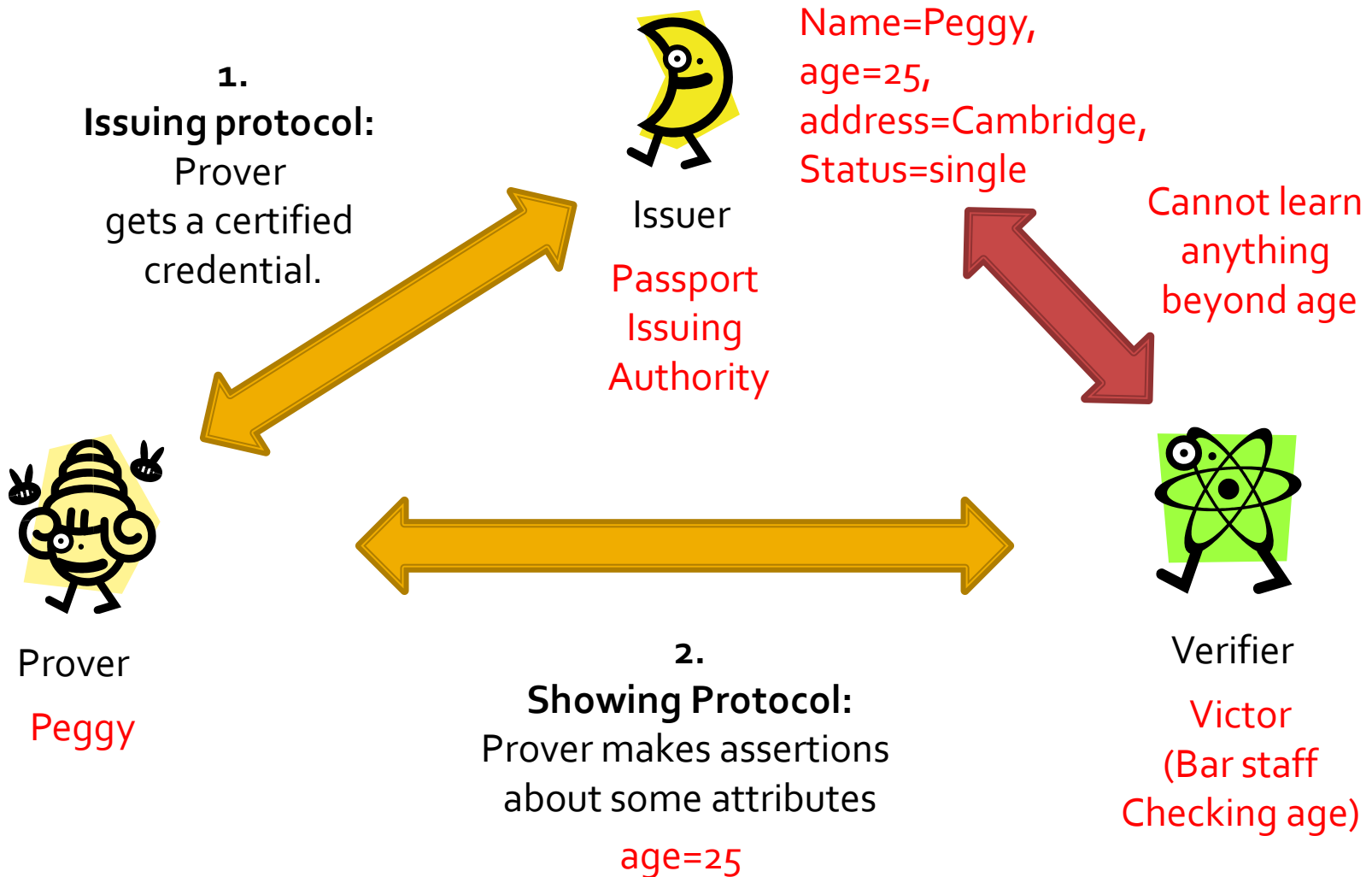
The privacy-invasive way

- Usual way:
 - **Identity provider** certifies attributes of a **subject**.
 - **Identity consumer** checks those attributes
 - Match credential with **live person** (biometric)
- Examples:
 - E-passport: signed attributes, with lightweight access control.
 - Attributes: nationality, names, number, pictures, ...
 - Identity Cards: signatures over attributes
 - Attributes: names, date of birth, picture, address, ...

Anonymous credentials

- The players:
 - Issuer (I) = Identity provider
 - Prover (P) = subject
 - Verifier (V) = identity consumer
- Properties:
 - The prover convinces the verifier that he holds a credential with attributes that satisfy some boolean formula:
 - Simple example "age=18 AND city=Cambridge"
 - Prover cannot lie
 - Verifier cannot infer anything else aside the formula
 - Anonymity maintained despite collusion of V & I

The big picture



Two flavours of credentials

- Single-show credential (Brands & Chaum)
 - Blind the issuing protocol
 - Show the credential in clear
 - Multiple shows are linkable – **BAD**
 - Protocols are simpler – **GOOD**
- Multi-show (Camenisch & Lysyanskaya)
 - Random oracle free signatures for issuing (CL)
 - Blinded showing
 - Prover shows that they know a signature over a particular ciphertext.
 - Cannot link multiple shows of the credential
 - More complex – no implementations



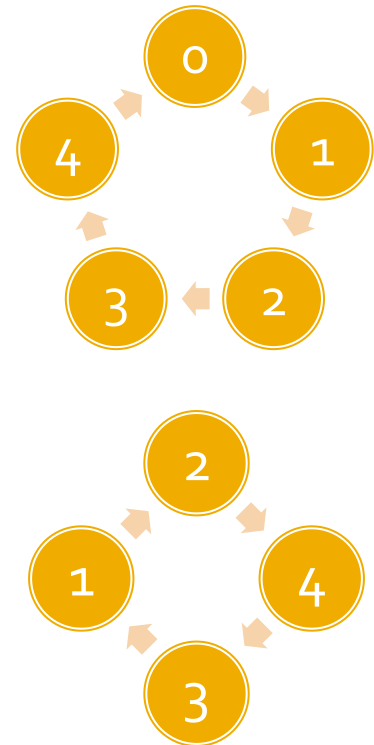
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these

Technical Outline

- Cryptographic preliminaries
 - The discrete logarithm problem
 - Schnorr's Identification protocol
 - Unforgeability, simulator, Fiat-Shamir Heuristic
 - Generalization to representation
- Showing protocol
 - Linear relations of attributes
 - AND-connective
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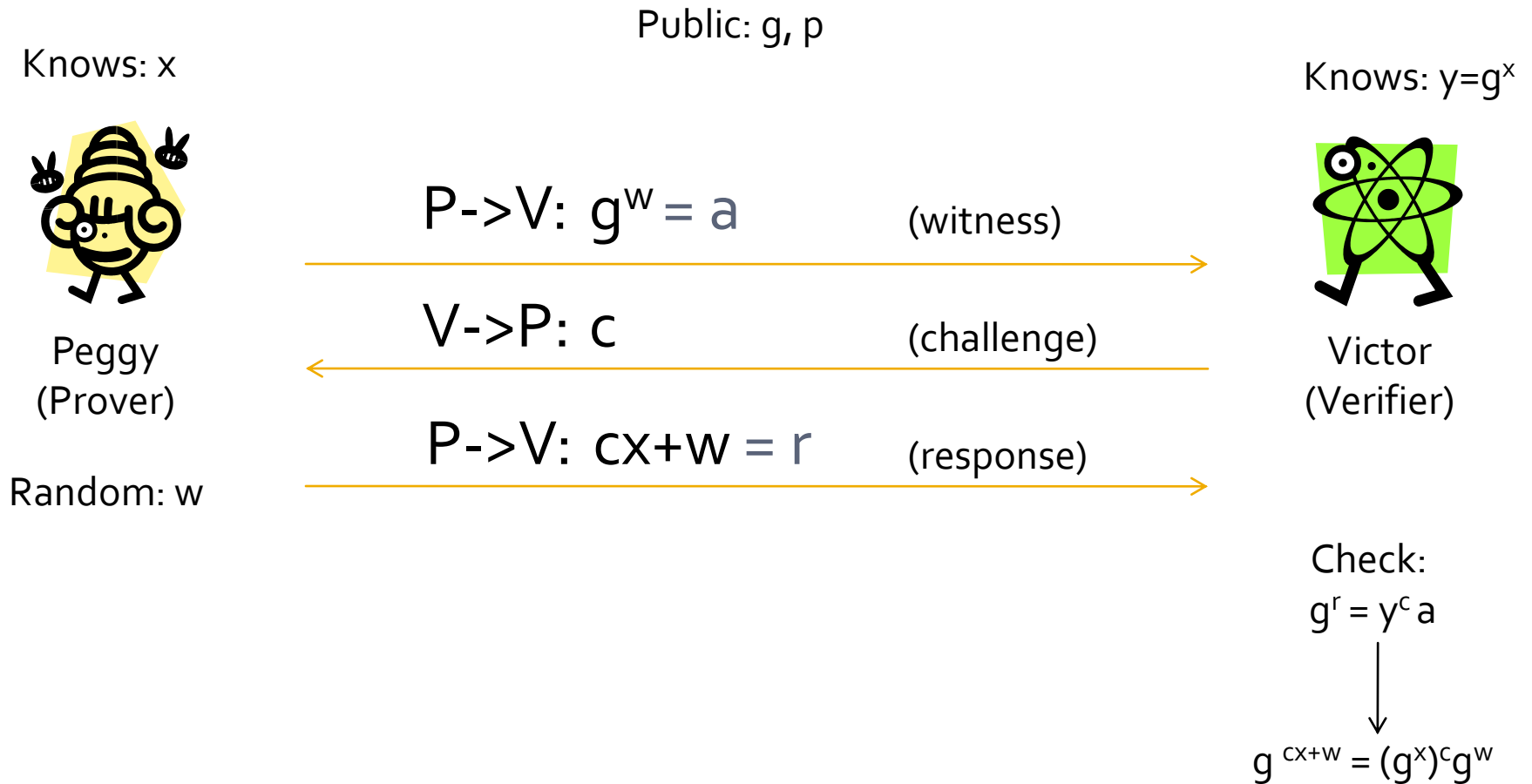
More on \mathbb{Z}_p

- Efficient to find inverses
 - Given c easy to calculate $g^{-c} \bmod p$
 - $(p-1) - c \bmod p-1$
- Efficient to find roots
 - Given c easy to find $g^{1/c} \bmod p$
 - $c(1/c) = 1 \bmod (p-1)$
 - Note the case $N=pq$ (RSA security)
- No need to be scared of this field.

Schnorr's Identification protocol

- Exemplary of the zero-knowledge protocols credentials are based on.
- Players
 - Public – g a generator of Z_p
 - Prover – knows x (secret key)
 - Verifier – knows $y = g^x$ (public key)
- Aim: the prover convinces the verifier that she knows an x such that $g^x = y$
 - Zero-knowledge – verifier does not learn x !
- Why identification?
 - Given a certificate containing y

Schnorr's protocol



No Schnorr Forgery (intuition)

- Assume that Peggy (Prover) does not know x ?
 - If, for the same witness, Peggy forges two valid responses to two of Victor's challenges

$$r_1 = C_1 X + W$$

$$r_2 = C_2 X + W$$

- Then Peggy must know x
 - 2 equations, 2 unknowns (x, w) – can find x

Zero-knowledge (intuition)

- The verifier learns nothing new about x .
- How do we go about proving this?
 - Verifier can simulate protocol executions
 - On his own!
 - Without any help from Peggy (Prover)
 - This means that the transcript gives no information about x
- How does Victor simulate a transcript?
 - (Witness, challenge, response)

Simulator

- Need to fake a transcript $(g^{w'}, c', r')$
- Simulator:
 - Trick: do not follow the protocol order!
 - First pick the challenge c'
 - Then pick a random response r'
 - Then note that the response must satisfy:
$$g^{r'} = (g^x)^{c'} g^{w'} \rightarrow g^{w'} = g^{r'} / (g^x)^{c'}$$
 - Solve for $g^{w'}$
- Proof technique for ZK
 - but also important in constructions (OR)

Non-interactive proof?

- Schnorr's protocol
 - Requires interaction between Peggy and Victor
 - Victor cannot transfer proof to convince Charlie
 - (In fact we saw he can completely fake a transcript)
- **Fiat-Shamir Heuristic**
 - $H[\cdot]$ is a cryptographic hash function
 - Peggy sets $c = H[g^w]$
 - Note that the simulator cannot work any more
 - g^w has to be set first to derive c
- Signature scheme
 - Peggy sets $c = H[g^w, M]$

Generalise to DL representations

- Traditional Schnorr
 - For fixed g , p and public key $h = g^x$
 - Peggy proves she knows x such that $h = g^x$
- General problem
 - Fix prime p , generators g_1, \dots, g_l
 - Public key $h' = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2} \dots g_l^{x_l}$
 - Peggy proves she knows x_1, \dots, x_l such that $h' = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2} \dots g_l^{x_l}$

DL representation – protocol

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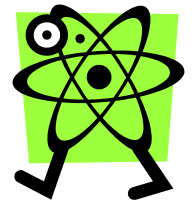
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! random: w_i

Peggy
(Prover)



Victor
(Verifier)

P \rightarrow V: $\prod_{0 < i < l} g^{w_i} = a$ (witness)

V \rightarrow P: c (challenge)

P \rightarrow V: r_1, \dots, r_l (response)

Check:

$$\left(\prod_{0 < i < l} g_i^{r_i} \right) = h^c a$$

$$r_i = Cx_i + w_i$$

Let's convince ourselves: $(\prod_{0 < i < l} g_i^{r_i}) = (\prod_{0 < i < l} g_i^{x_i})^c (\prod_{0 < i < l} g_i^{w_i}) = h^c a$

DL representation vs. Schnorr

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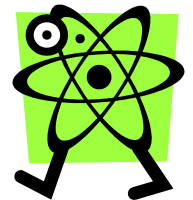
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Credentials – showing

- Relation to DL representation
- Credential representation:
 - Attributes x_i
 - Credential $h = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2} \dots g_l^{x_l}, \text{Sig}_{\text{Issuer}}(h)$
- Credential showing protocol
 - Peggy gives the credential to Victor
 - Peggy proves a statement on values x_i
 - $x_{\text{age}} = 28 \text{ AND } x_{\text{city}} = H[\text{Cambridge}]$
 - Merely DL rep. proves she knows x_i

Linear relations of attributes (1)

- Remember:
 - Attributes $x_i, i = 1, \dots, 4$
 - Credential $h = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2} g_3^{x_3} g_4^{x_4}, \text{Sig}_{\text{Issuer}}(h)$
- Example relation of attributes:
 - $(x_1 + 2x_2 - 10x_3 = 13) \text{ AND } (x_2 - 4x_3 = 5)$
 - Implies: $(x_1 = 2x_3 + 3) \text{ AND } (x_2 = 4x_3 + 5)$
 - Substitute into h
 - $h = g_1^{2x_3+3} g_2^{4x_3+5} g_3^{x_3} g_4^{x_4} = (g_1^3 g_2^5)(g_1^2 g_2^4 g_3)^{x_3} g_4^{x_4}$
 - Implies: $h / (g_1^3 g_2^5) = (g_1^2 g_2^4 g_3)^{x_3} g_4^{x_4}$

Linear relations of attributes (2)

- Example (continued)
 - $(x_1 + 2x_2 - 10x_3 = 13)$ AND $(x_2 - 4x_3 = 5)$
 - Implies: $h / (g_1^3 g_2^5) = (g_1^2 g_2^4 g_3)^{x_3} g_4^{x_4}$
- How do we prove that in ZK?
 - DL representation proof!
 - $h' = h / (g_1^3 g_2^5)$
 - $g_1' = g_1^2 g_2^4 g_3$ $g_2' = g_4$
 - Prove that you know x_3 and x_4 such that $h' = (g_1')^{x_3} (g_2')^{x_4}$

DL rep. – credential show example

Public: g, p

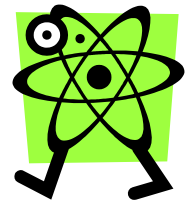
Knows: x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4

Knows:
 $h = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2} g_3^{x_3} g_4^{x_4}$



random: w_1, w_2

Peggy
(Prover)



Victor
(Verifier)

P->V: $g_1^{w_1} g_2^{w_2} = a'$ (witness)

V->P: c (challenge)

P->V: r_1, r_2 (response)

$$r_1 = cx_3 + w_1$$

$$r_2 = cx_4 + w_2$$

Check:

$$(g_1')^{r_1} (g_2')^{r_2} = (h')^c a$$

Check $(g_1')^{r_1} (g_2')^{r_2} = (h')^c a$

■ Reminder

- $h = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2} g_3^{x_3} g_4^{x_4}$

- $h' = h / (g_1^3 g_2^5)$ $g_1' = g_1^2 g_2^4 g_3$ $g_2' = g_4$

- $a = g_1^{w_1} g_2^{w_2}$ $r_1 = cx_3 + w_1$ $r_2 = cx_4 + w_1$

■ Check:

- $(g_1')^{r_1} (g_2')^{r_2} = (h')^c a \Rightarrow$

$$(g_1')^{\cancel{cx_3 + w_1}} (g_2')^{\cancel{cx_4 + w_1}} = (h / (g_1^3 g_2^5))^{\cancel{c}} \cancel{g_1^{w_1}} \cancel{g_2^{w_2}} \Rightarrow$$

$$(g_1^{2x_3+3} g_2^{4x_3+5} g_3^{x_3} g_4^{x_4}) = h$$

↓
 x_1

↓
 x_2

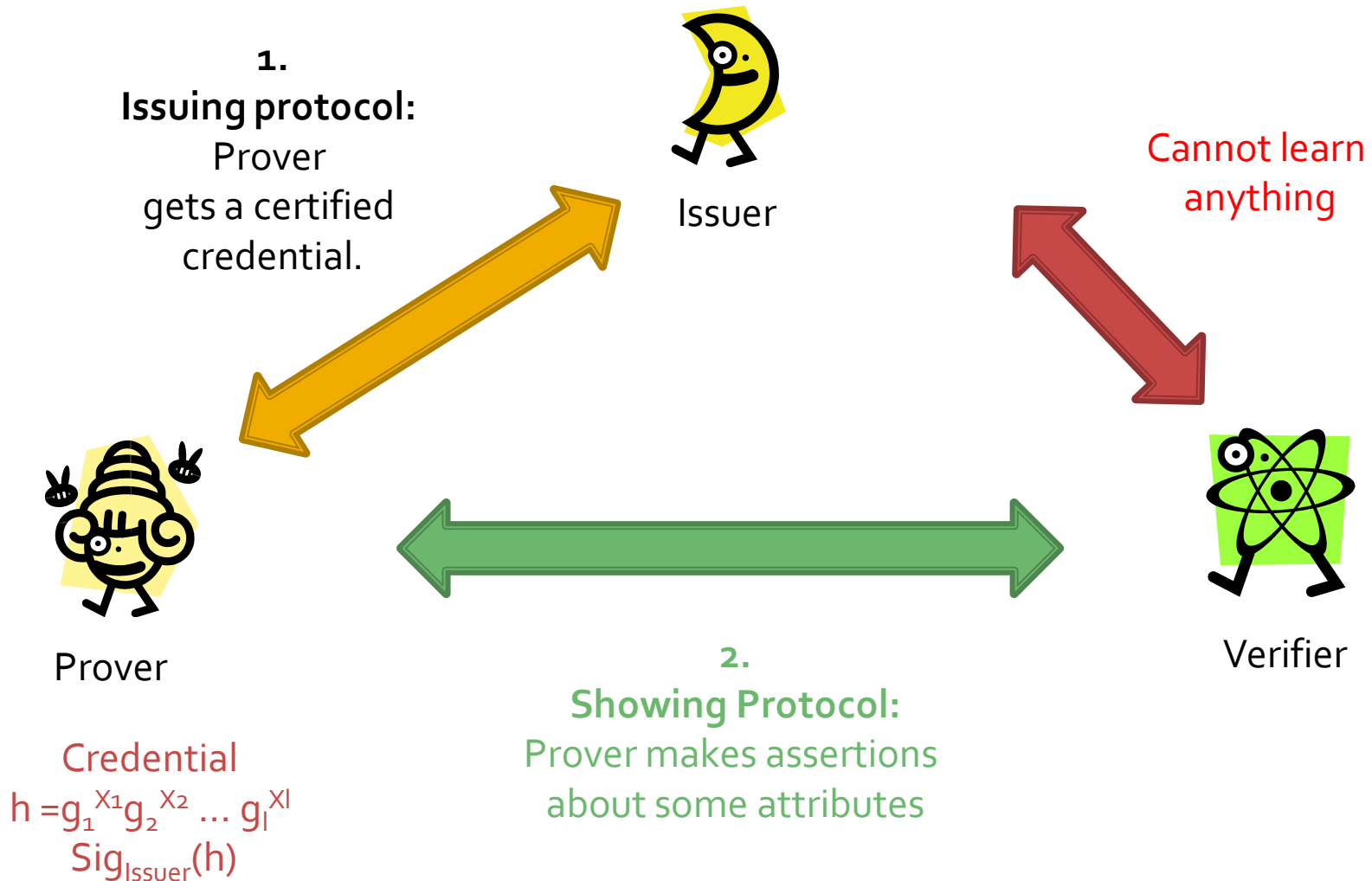
A few notes

- Showing any relation implies knowing all attributes.
- Can make non-interactive (message m)
 - $c = H[h, m, a']$
- Other proofs:
 - (OR) connector (*simple concept*)
 - $(x_{\text{age}}=18 \text{ AND } x_{\text{city}}=H[\text{Cambridge}]) \text{ OR } (x_{\text{age}}=15)$
 - (NOT) connector
 - Inequality ($x_{\text{age}} > 18$) (Yao's millionaire protocol)

Summary of key concepts (1)

- Standard tools
 - Schnorr – ZK proof of knowledge of discrete log.
 - DL rep. – ZK proof of knowledge of representation.
- Credential showing
 - representation + certificate
 - ZK proof of linear relations on attributes (AND)
 - More reading: (OR), (NOT), Inequality

Issuing credentials



Issuing security

- Prover cannot falsify a credential
- Unlinkability
 - Issuer cannot link a showing transcript to an instance of issuing
 - $h, \text{Sig}_{\text{issuer}}(h)$ have to be unlinkable to issuing
- Achieving unlinkability
 - Issuer's view: $h = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2} \dots g_l^{x_l}$
 - Prover uses: $h' = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2} \dots g_l^{x_l} g_0^{a_1}$

Issuing protocol – gory details

Knows: x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l

Public: g, p

Knows: x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l

Private: $x_0, (y_1, \dots, y_l)$

Public: $h_0 = g^{x_0}, g_i = g^{y_i}$

Rand: w_0

I->P: $g^{w_0} = a_0$ (witness)



Prover



Issuer

P->I: c_0 (challenge)

Rand: a_1, a_2, a_3
 $h' = h \cdot g^{a_1}$
 $c'_0 = H[h', g^{a_2}(h_0 h)^{a_3} a_0]$
 $c_0 = c'_0 + a_3$

$r_0 = c_0(x_0 + \sum_i x_i y_i) + w_0$

I->P: r_0 (response)

Check: $g^{r_0} = (h_0 h)^{c_0} a_0$
 $r'_0 = r_0 + a_2 + c'_0 a_1$

Credential: $h' = g^{a_1} \prod g_i^{x_i}$

Signature: (c'_0, r'_0)

Check: $c'_0 = H[h', g^{r'_0}(h_0 h')^{-c'_0}]$

Issuing protocol – Issuer side

Knows: x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l

Public: g, p

Private: $x_0, (y_1, \dots, y_l)$

Public: $h_0 = g^{x_0}, g_i = g^{y_i}$

Rand: w_0

I->P: $g^{w_0} = a_0$ (witness)

~~Non interactive signature. $c_0 = H[h, a_0]$~~

P->I: c_0 (challenge)

$r_0 = c_0(x_0 + \sum_i x_i y_i) + w_0$

I->P: r_0 (response)



Issuer

ZK knowledge proof of the

representation of $h_0 h = g^{x_0} \prod g_i^{x_i} = g^{(x_0 + \sum_i x_i y_i)}$: just Schnorr !

Issuing protocol – Prover side (1)

Public: $g, p, h_0 = g^{x_0}, g_i = g^{x_i}$

Knows: x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l



Prover

I->P: $g^{w_0} = a_0$ (witness)

Rand: a_1, a_2, a_3

$$h' = h \cdot g^{a_1}$$

$$c'_0 = H[h', g^{a_2}(h_0 h)^{a_3} a_0]$$

$$c_0 = c'_0 + a_3$$

P->I: c_0 (challenge)

I->P: r_0 (response)

$$\text{Check: } g^{r_0} = (h_0 h)^{c_0} a_0$$

$$r'_0 = r_0 + a_2 + c'_0 a_1$$

**Schnorr
Verification:**

Issuer
knows the
representation
of $(h_0 h)$!

Credential: $h' = g^{a_1} \prod g_i^{x_i}$

Signature: (c'_0, r'_0)

Check: $c'_0 = H[h', g^{r'_0}(h_0 h)^{-c'_0}]$

Issuing protocol – Prover side (2)

Public: $g, p, h_0 = g^{x_0}, g_i = g^{y_i}$

Knows: x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l



Prover

I->P: $g^{w_0} = a_0$ (witness)

Rand: a_1, a_2, a_3

$$h' = h \cdot g^{a_1}$$

$$c'_0 = H[h', g^{a_2}(h_0 h)^{a_3} a_0]$$

$$c_0 = c'_0 + a_3$$

1) Set c_0

P->I: c_0 (challenge)

2) Get r_0 such that...

I->P: r_0 (response)

Check: $g^{r_0} = (h_0 h)^{c_0} a_0$

$$r'_0 = r_0 + a_2 + c'_0 a_1$$

Unlinkable

Credential: $h' = g^{a_1} \prod g_i^{x_i}$

Signature: (c'_0, r'_0)

Check: $c'_0 = H[h', g^{r'_0}(h_0 h)^{-c'_0}]$

My Goal

Issuing protocol – Prover side (3)

Public: $g, p, h_0 = g^{x_0}, g_i = g^{x_i}$

Knows: x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l



Prover

I->P: $g^{w_0} = a_0$ (witness)

Rand: a_1, a_2, a_3

$h' = h \cdot g^{a_1}$

P->I: c_0 (challenge)

$c'_0 = H[h', g^{a_2}(h_0 h)^{a_3} a_0]$

$c_0 = c'_0 + a_3$

I->P: r_0 (response)

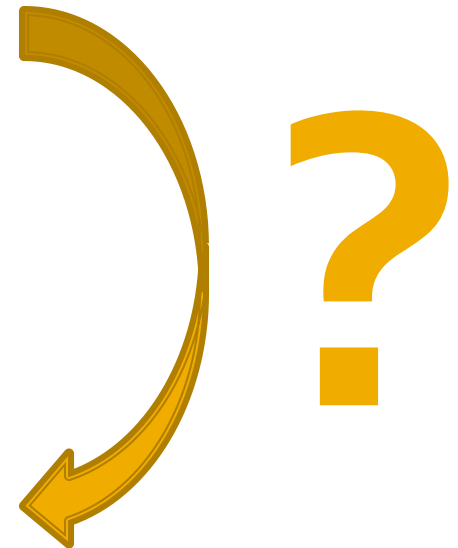
Check: $g^{r_0} = (h_0 h)^{c_0} a_0$

$r'_0 = r_0 + a_2 + c'_0 a_1$

Credential: $h' = g^{a_1} \prod g_i^{x_i}$

Signature: (c'_0, r'_0)

Check: $c'_0 = H[h', g^{r'_0}(h_0 h)^{-c'_0}]$



Check

- Goal:

- $c'_o = H[h', g^{a_2}(h_o h)^{a_3} a_o] = H[h', g^{r'_o}(h_o h')^{-c'_o}]$

- So $g^{a_2}(h_o h)^{a_3} a_o = g^{r'_o}(h_o h')^{-c'_o}$ must be true

- Lets follow:

- $g^{r'_o}(h_o h')^{-c'_o} = g^{a_2}(h_o h)^{a_3} a_o \Leftrightarrow$

- $g^{(r_o + a_2 + c'_o a_1)} (h_o h)^{-(c_o + a_3)} g^{-c_o a_1} = g^{a_2}(h_o h)^{a_3} a_o \Leftrightarrow$

- ~~$(g^{r_o}(h_o h)^{-c_o}) (g^{a_2}(h_o h)^{a_3}) = (g^{a_2}(h_o h)^{a_3}) a_o \Leftrightarrow$~~

Substitute r'_o and c'_o

TRUE

Unlinkability

- Issuer sees: c_o, r_o, h
 - Such that $g^{r_o} = (h_o h)^{c_o} a_o$
- Verifier sees: c'_o, r'_o, h'
- Relation:
 - Random: a_1, a_2, a_3
 - $h' = h \cdot g^{a_1}$
 - $c_o = c'_o + a_3$
 - $r'_o = r_o + a_2 + c'_o a_1$
- Even if they collude they cannot link the credential issuing and showing

Notes on issuer

- Authentication between Issuer and Peggy
 - Need to check that Peggy has the attributes requested
- Issuing protocol should not be run in parallel!
 - (simple modifications are required)

Full credential protocol

- Putting it all together:
 - Issuer and Peggy run the issuing protocol.
 - Peggy gets:
Credential: $h' = g^{a_1} \prod g_i^{x_i}$ Signature: (c'_o, r'_o)
Check: $c'_o = H[h', g^{r'_o}(h_o h')^{-c'_o}]$
 - Peggy and Victor run the showing protocol
 - Victor checks the validity of the credential first
 - Peggy shows some relation on the attributes
 - (Using DL-rep proof on h')

Key concepts so far (2)

- Credential issuing
 - Proof of knowledge of DL-rep & x_0 of issuer
 - Peggy assists & blinds proof to avoid linking
- Further topics
 - Transferability of credential
 - Double spending

Key applications

- Attribute based access control
- Federated identity management
- Electronic cash
 - (double spending)
- Privacy friendly e-identity
 - Id-cards & e-passports
- Multi-show credentials!

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OR proofs

- Peggy wants to prove (A OR B)
 - Say A is true and B is false
- Simple modification of Schnorr
 - Peggy sends witness
 - Victor sends commitment c
 - Peggy uses simulator for producing a response r_B for B
 - (That sets a particular c_B)
 - Peggy chooses c_A such that $c = c_A + c_B$
 - Then she produces the response r_A for A
- Key concept: simulators are useful, not just proof tools!

Strong(er) showing privacy

- Designated verifier proof
 - A OR knowledge of verifier's key
 - Simulate the second part
 - Third parties do not know if A is true or the statement has been built by the designated verifier!
- Non-interactive proof not transferable!