

# Asymmetric encryption



## CS642: Computer Security

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- Any time is fine
- Email them directly to me
  - subject line should include CS642 project proposal
  - I will reply to your email so you know I got it
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# Asymmetric encryption



Basic setting

The RSA algorithm

PKCS #1 encryption

Digital signing & public-key infrastructure

Hybrid encryption



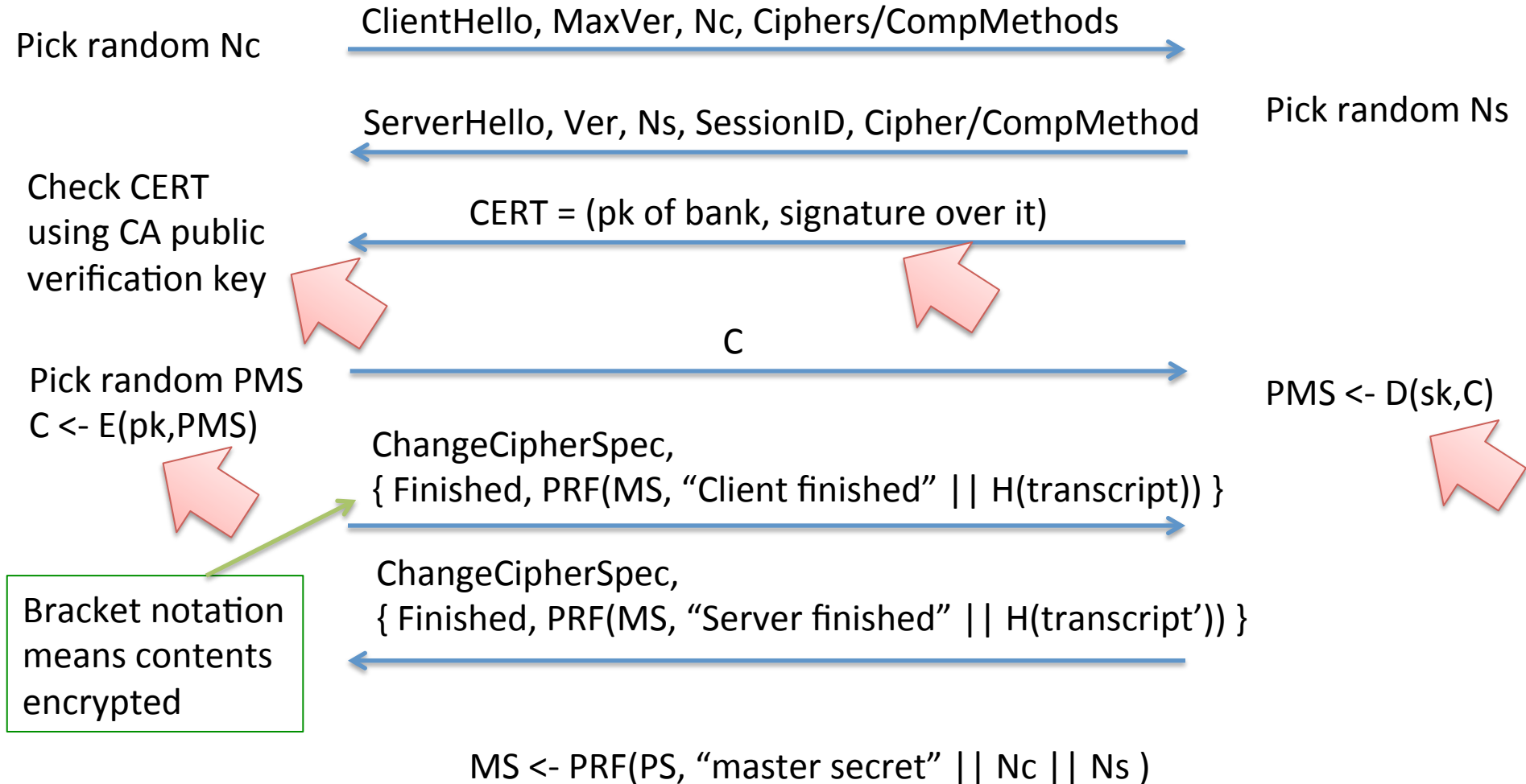


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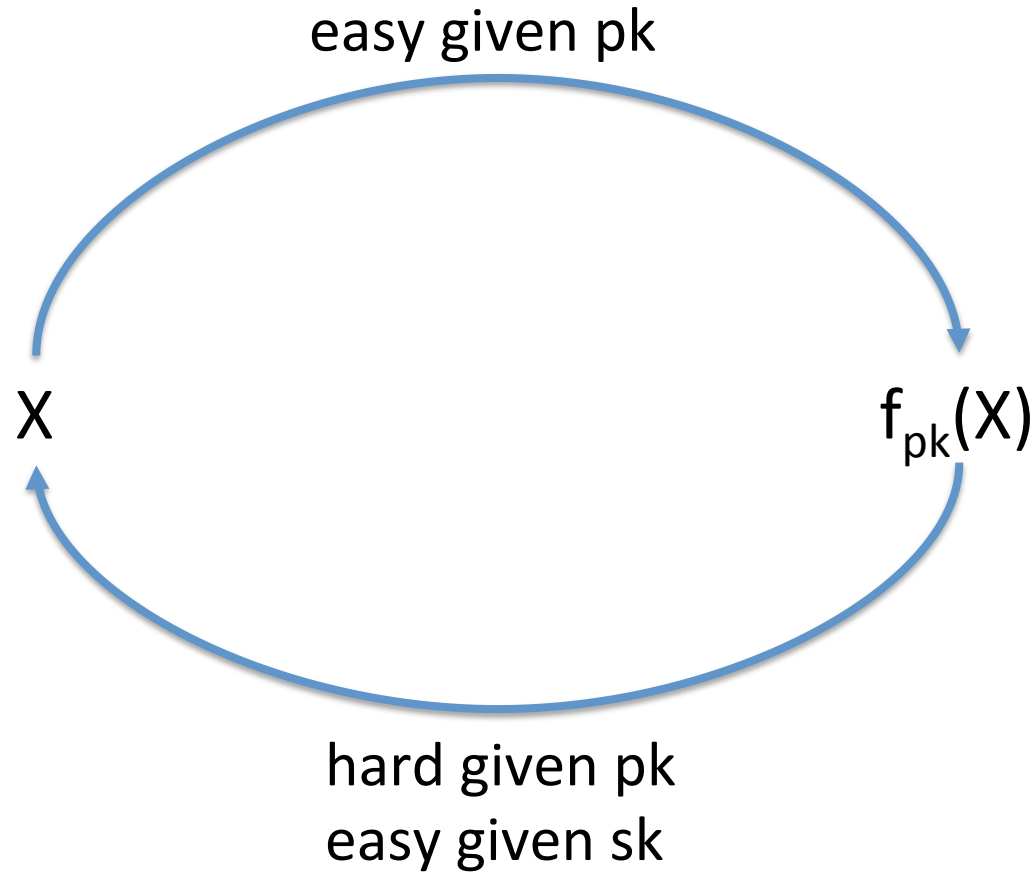


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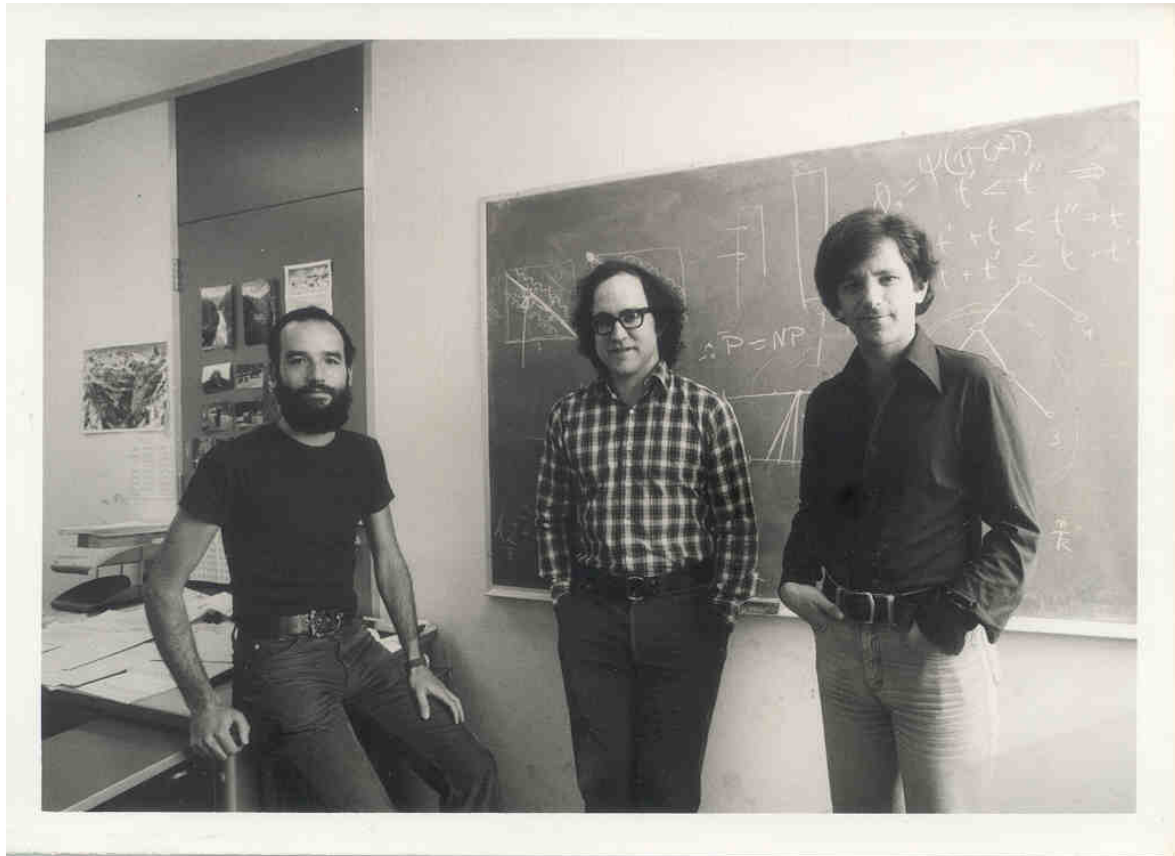
# Trapdoor functions help us build PKE





# The RSA trapdoor function

- Rivest, Shamir, Adleman 1978
- Garnered them a Turing award





# RSA math

$p$  and  $q$  be large prime numbers

$$N = pq$$

$N$  is called the modulus

$$p = 7, q = 13, \text{ gives } N = 91$$

$$p = 17, q = 53, \text{ gives } N = 901$$



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$$\mathbf{Z}_N = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, N-1\}$$

The size of a set  $S$  is  
denoted by  $|S|$

$$\mathbf{Z}_N^* = \{ i \mid \gcd(i, N) = 1 \}$$

$\gcd(X, Y) = 1$  if greatest common divisor of  $X, Y$  is 1



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$$N = 13 \quad \mathbf{Z}_{13}^* = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 \}$$

$$N = 15 \quad \mathbf{Z}_{15}^* = \{ 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 11, 13, 14 \}$$

**Def.**  $\phi(N) = |\mathbf{Z}_N^*|$  (This is Euler's totient function)

$$\phi(13) = 12$$

$$\phi(15) = 8$$

$$\mathbf{Z}_{\phi(15)}^* = \mathbf{Z}_8^* = \{ 1, 3, 5, 7 \}$$



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**Fact.** For any  $a, N$  with  $N > 0$ , there exists unique  $q, r$  such that

$$a = Nq + r \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq r < N$$

$$17 \bmod 15 = 2$$

**Def.**  $a \bmod N = r \in \mathbf{Z}_N$

$$105 \bmod 15 = 0$$

**Def.**  $a \equiv b \pmod{N}$  iff  $(a \bmod N) = (b \bmod N)$



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$$2 \bullet 7 \equiv 14 \pmod{15}$$

$$4 \bullet 8 \equiv 2 \pmod{15}$$

Closure: for any  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}_N$   $a \bullet b \bmod N \in \mathbf{Z}_N$

Def.  $a^i \bmod N = \underbrace{a \bullet a \bullet a \bullet \dots \bullet a}_{i \text{ times}} \bmod N$



# RSA math

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Claim: Suppose  $e, d \in \mathbf{Z}_{\phi(N)}^*$  satisfying  $ed \bmod \phi(N) = 1$   
then for any  $x \in \mathbf{Z}_N^*$  we have that

$$(x^e)^d \bmod N = x$$

$$\begin{aligned}(x^e)^d \bmod N &= x^{(ed \bmod \phi(N))} \bmod N \\ &= x^1 \bmod N \\ &= x \bmod N\end{aligned}$$

First equality is  
by Euler's Theorem



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$e = 3, d = 3$  gives  $ed \bmod 8 = 1$

x	1	2	4	7	8	11	13	14
$x^3 \bmod 15$	1	8	4	13	2	11	7	14
$y^3 \bmod 15$	1	2	4	7	8	11	13	14

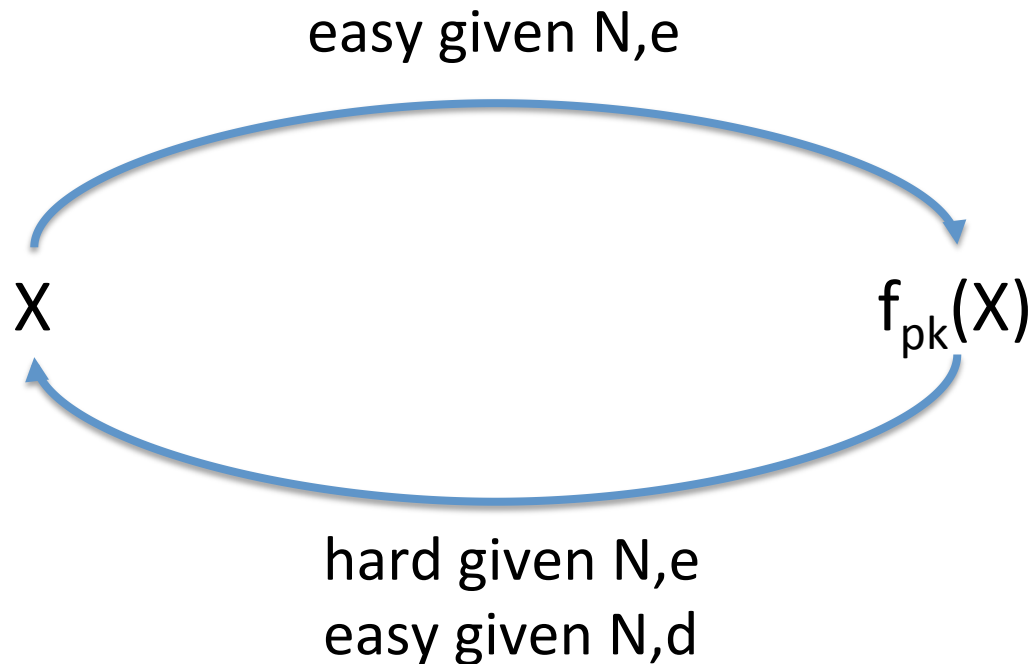


# RSA admits a trapdoor permutation

$pk = (N, e)$        $sk = (N, d)$       with  $ed \bmod \phi(N) = 1$

$$f_{N,e}(x) = x^e \bmod N$$

$$g_{N,d}(y) = y^d \bmod N$$





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But how do we find suitable  $N, e, d$  ?

If  $p, q$  distinct primes and  $N = pq$  then  $\phi(N) = (p-1)(q-1)$

Why?

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(N) &= |\{1, \dots, N-1\}| - |\{ip : 1 \leq i \leq q-1\}| - |\{iq : 1 \leq i \leq p-1\}| \\ &= N-1 - (q-1) - (p-1) \\ &= pq - p - q + 1 \\ &= (p-1)(q-1) \end{aligned}$$



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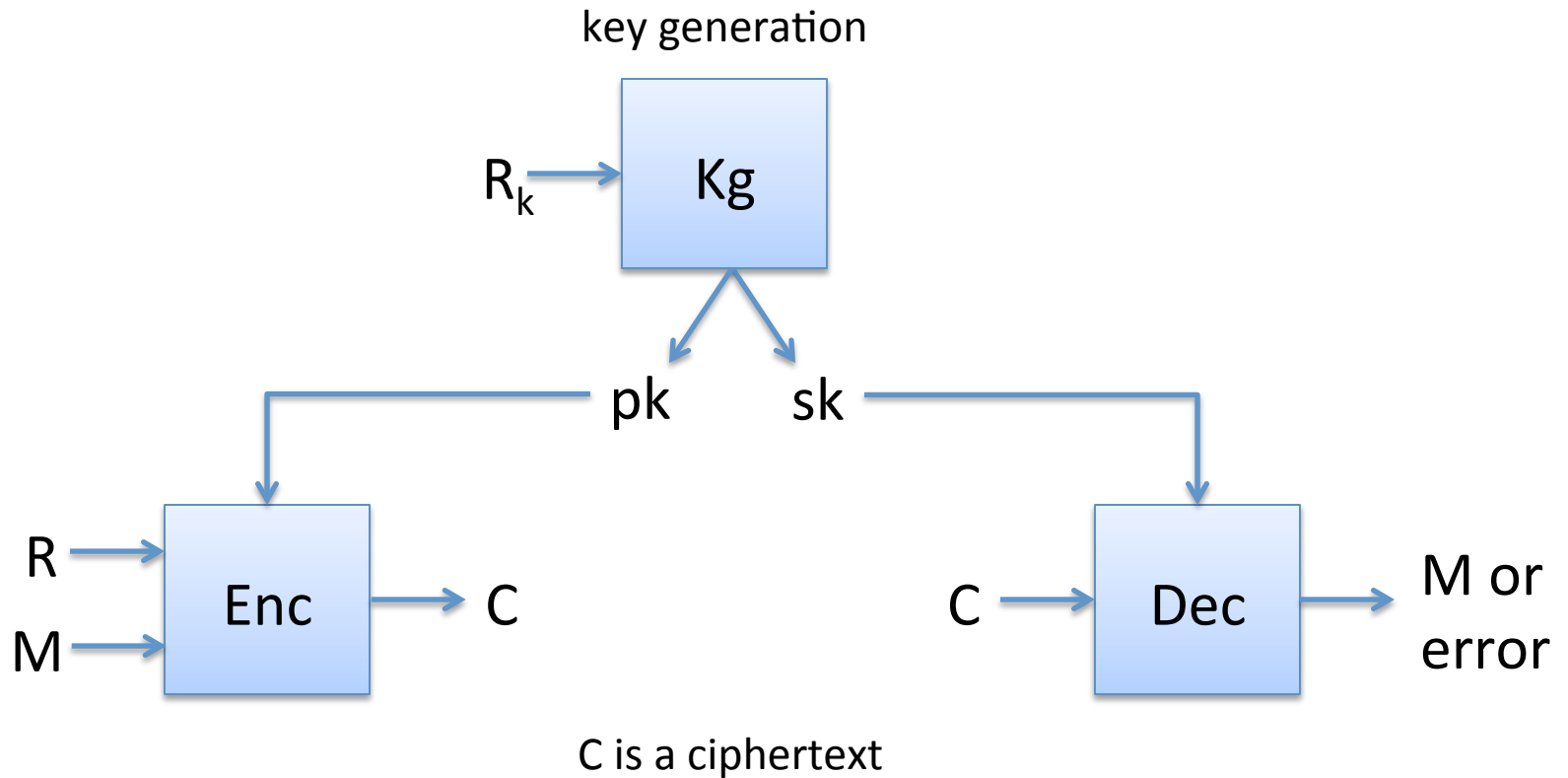
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Given  $\phi(N)$ , choose  $e \in \mathbf{Z}_{\phi(N)}$  and calculate  
 $d = e^{-1} \bmod \phi(N)$



# Public-key encryption



Correctness:  $D( sk , E(pk,M,R) ) = M$  with probability 1 over randomness used

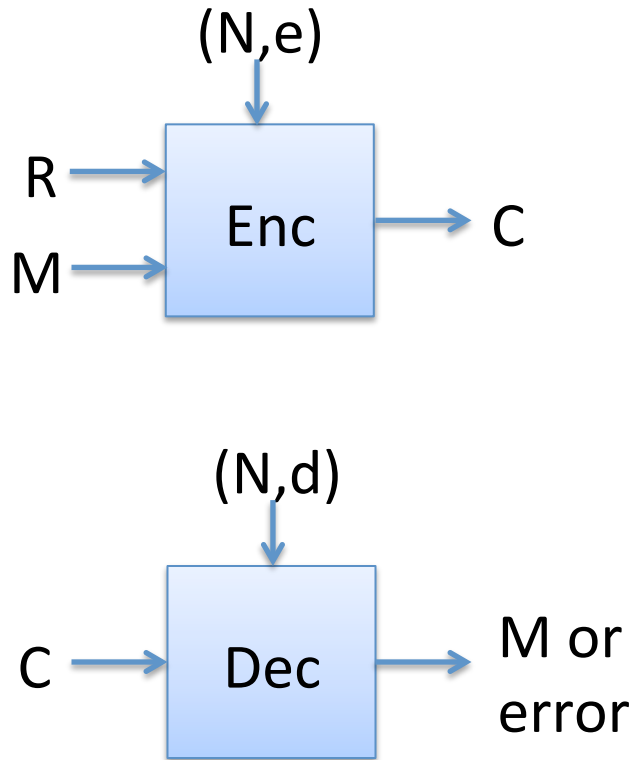


# PKCS #1 RSA encryption

Kg outputs  $(N,e),(N,d)$  where  $|N|_8 = n$

Let  $B = \{0,1\}^8 / \{00\}$  be set of all bytes except 00

Want to encrypt messages of length  $|M|_8 = m$



$\text{Enc}((N,e), M, R)$

pad = first  $n - m - 2$  bytes from  $R$  that  
are in  $B$

$X = 00 || 02 || \text{pad} || 00 || M$

Return  $X^e \bmod N$

$\text{Dec}((N,d), C)$

$X = C^d \bmod N$  ;  $aa || bb || w = X$

If  $(aa \neq 00)$  or  $(bb \neq 02)$  or  $(00 \notin w)$

Return error

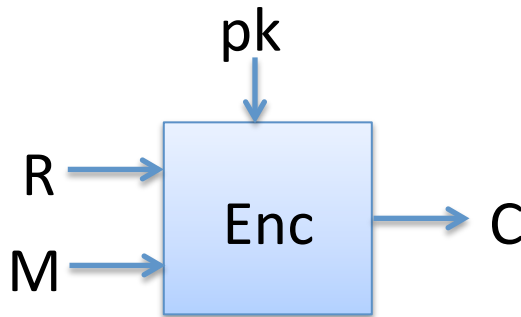
pad || 00 ||  $M = w$

Return  $M$

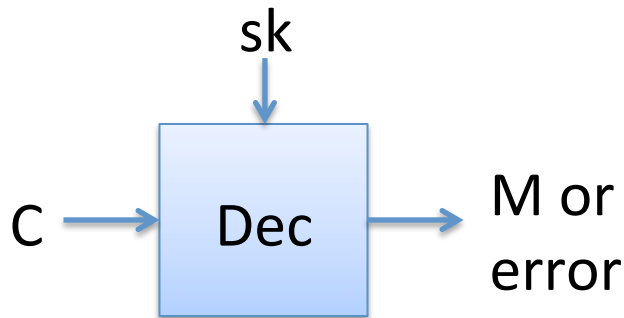


# Hybrid encryption

Kg outputs (pk,sk)



Enc(pk, M, R)  
 $K || R1 || R2 = R$   
 $C1 = \text{Enc}(pk, K, R1)$   
 $C2 = \text{Enc}(K, M, R2)$   
Return (C1,C2)



Dec(sk, (C1,C2) )  
 $K = \text{Dec}(sk, C1)$   
 $M = \text{Dec}(K, C2)$   
Return M



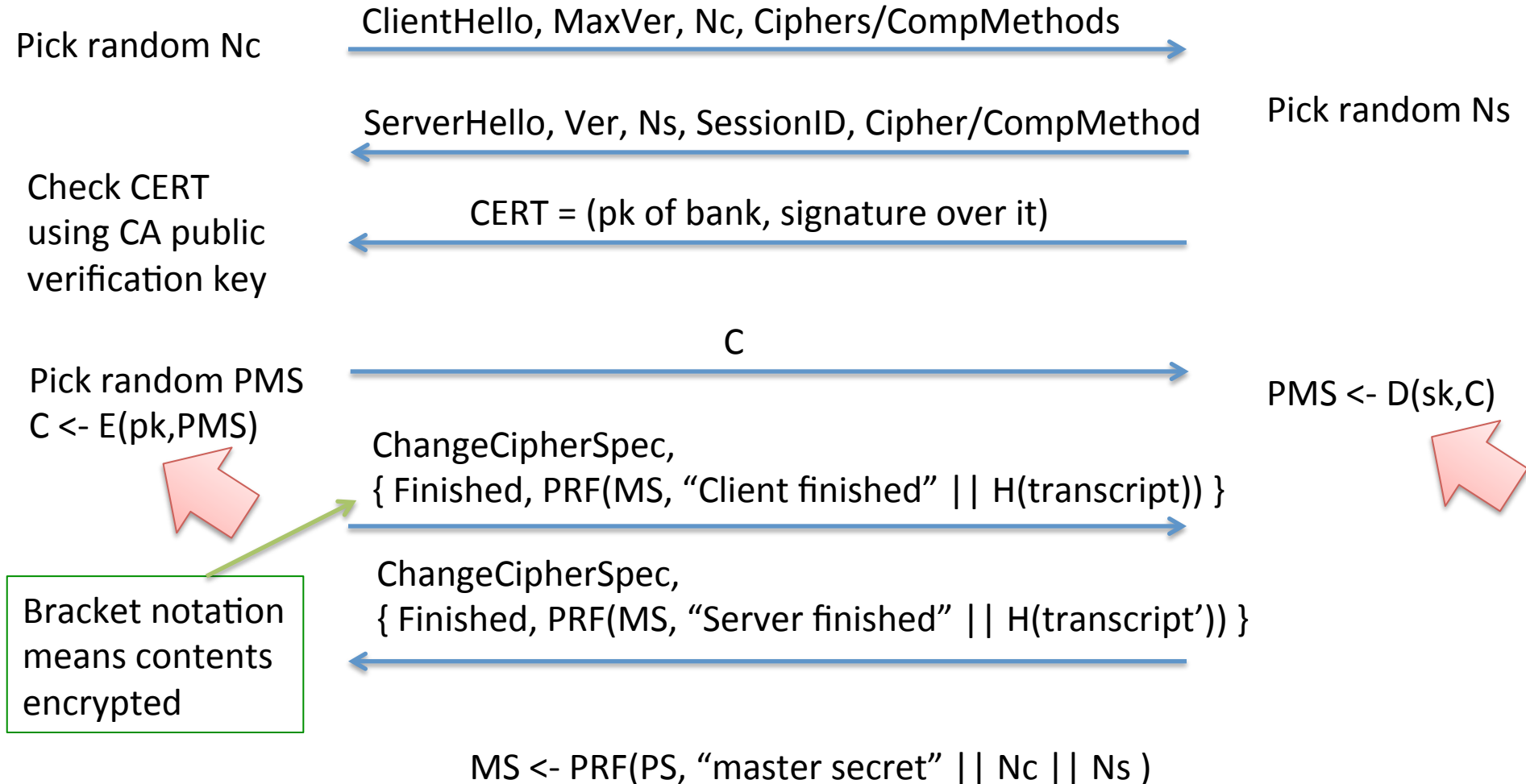


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# TLS handshake for RSA transport



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# Security of RSA PKCS#1

- Passive adversary sees  $(N,e),C$
- Attacker would like to invert  $C$
- Possible attacks?



Inverting RSA : given  $N, e, y$  find  $x$  such that  $x^e \equiv y \pmod{N}$



EASY

because  $f^{-1}(y) = y^d \pmod{N}$

Know  $d$



EASY

because  $d = e^{-1} \pmod{\varphi(N)}$

Know  $\varphi(N)$



EASY

because  $\varphi(N) = (p-1)(q-1)$

Know  $p, q$



?

Learning  $p, q$  from  $N$  is  
the factoring problem

Know  $N$



We don't know if inverse is true, whether inverting RSA implies ability to factor



# Factoring composites

- What is  $p, q$  for  $N = 901$ ?

Factor(N):

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for i = 2 , ... , sqrt(N) do
  if N mod i = 0 then
    p = i
    q = N / p
  Return (p,q)
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Woops... we can always factor

But not always efficiently:

Run time is  $\sqrt{N}$

$$O(\sqrt{N}) = O(e^{0.5 \ln(N)})$$



# Factoring composites

Algorithm	Time to factor N
Naïve	$O(e^{0.5 \ln(N)})$
Quadratic sieve (QS)	$O(e^c)$ $c = d (\ln N)^{1/2} (\ln \ln N)^{1/2}$
Number Field Sieve (NFS)	$O(e^c)$ $c = 1.92 (\ln N)^{1/3} (\ln \ln N)^{2/3}$



# Factoring records

Algorithm	Year	Algorithm	Time
RSA-400	1993	QS	830 MIPS years
RSA-478	1994	QS	5000 MIPS years
RSA-515	1999	NFS	8000 MIPS years
RSA-768	2009	NFS	~2.5 years

RSA-x is an RSA challenge modulus of size about x bits



# Security of RSA PKCS#1

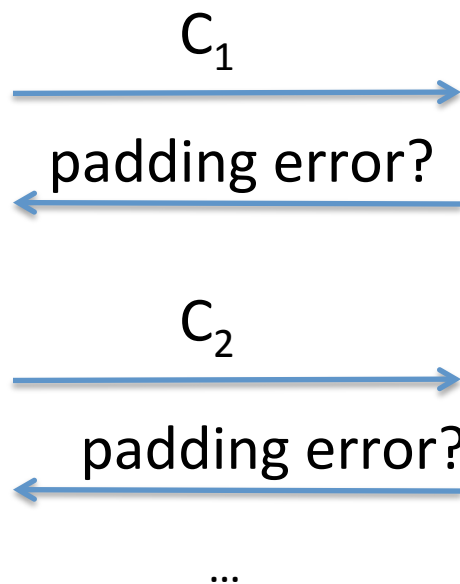
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- Attacker would like to invert  $C$
- Possible attacks?
  - Pick  $|N| > 1024$  and factoring will fail
  - Active attacks?



# Bleichenbacher attack



I've just learned  
some information  
about  $C_1^d \bmod N$



Dec((N,d), C)

$X = C^d \bmod N$  ;  $aa || bb || w = X$   
If  $(aa \neq 00)$  or  $(bb \neq 02)$  or  $(00 \neq w)$

Return error

$pad || 00 || M = w$

Return M

We can take a target C and decrypt it using  
a sequence of chosen ciphertexts  $C_1, \dots, C_q$   
where  $q \sim 1$  million



# Response to this attack

- Ad-hoc fix: Don't leak whether padding was wrong or not
  - This is harder than it looks (timing attacks)
- Better:
  - use chosen-ciphertext secure encryption
  - OAEP is common choice



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  - Active attacks?
    - Some implementations seem ok
  - Man-in-the-middle: replace  $(N,e)$  with our own key



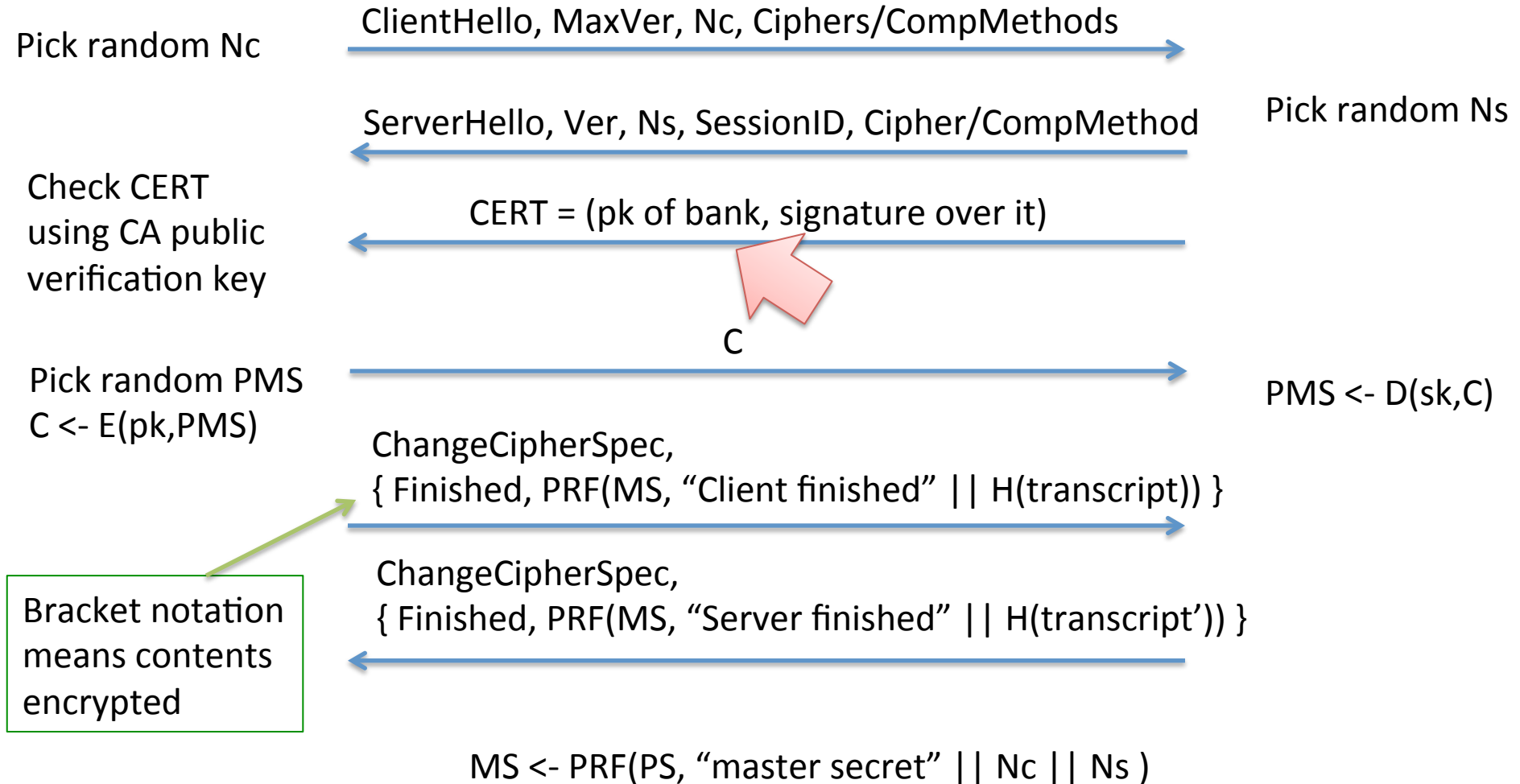


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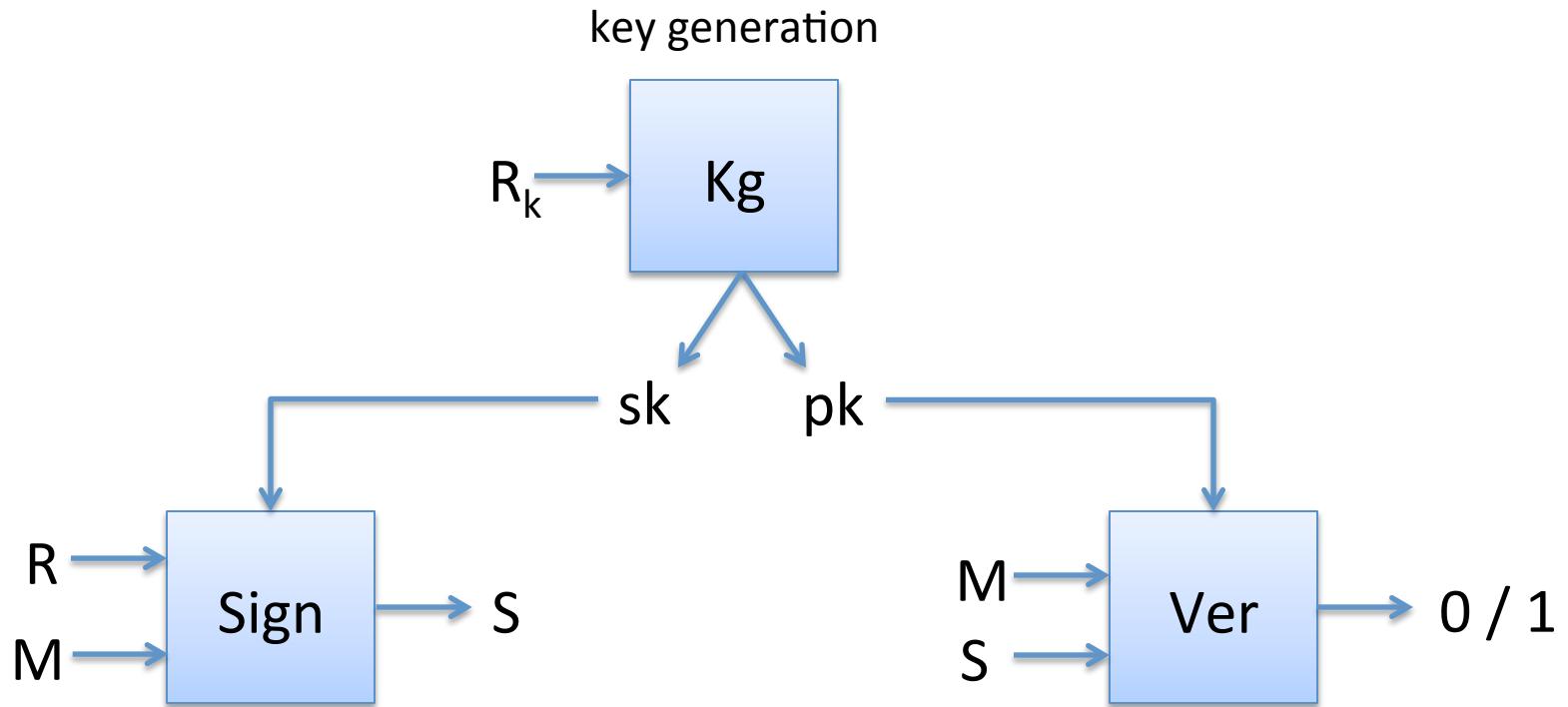


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# Digital signatures



Anyone with public key can verify a signature

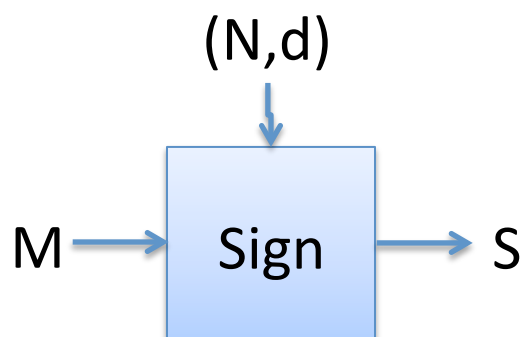
Only holder of secret key should be able to generate a signature



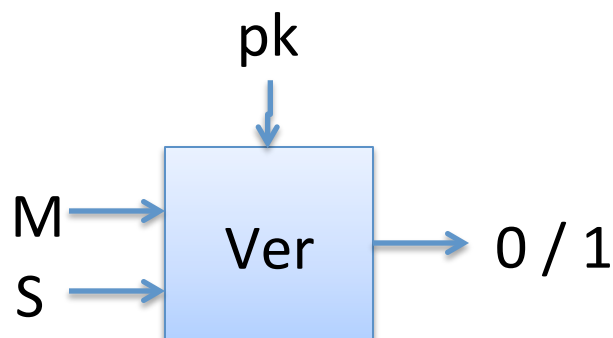
# Full Domain Hash RSA

Kg outputs  $pk = (N,e)$  ,  $sk = (N,d)$

H is a hash function



Sign((N,d), M )  
 $X = 00 || H(1 || M) || \dots || H(k || M)$   
 $S = X^d \bmod N$   
Return S



Ver((N,e), M, S )  
 $X = S^e \bmod N$   
 $X' = 00 || H(1 || M) || \dots || H(k || M)$   
If  $X = X'$  then  
    Return 1  
Return 0



# Certificate Authorities and Public-key Infrastructure

