

CSC4200/5200 – COMPUTER NETWORKING

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NETWORK SECURITY - CONTINUED

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Security Roadmap

What is network security?

Principles of cryptography

Message integrity

Authentication

Securing TCP connections: SSL

Network layer security: IPsec

Operational security: firewalls and IDS

What is network security?

confidentiality: only sender, intended receiver should “understand” message contents

- sender encrypts message
- receiver decrypts message

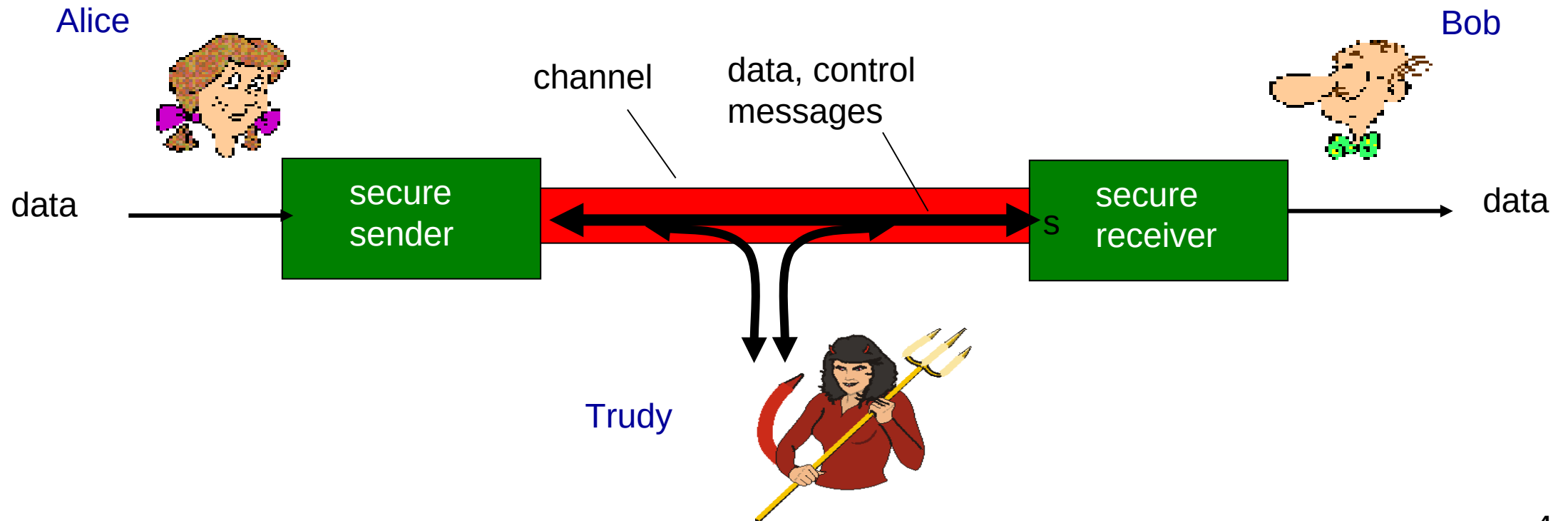
authentication: sender, receiver want to confirm identity of each other

message integrity: sender, receiver want to ensure message not altered (in transit, or afterwards) without detection

access and availability: services must be accessible and available to users

Friends and enemies: Alice, Bob, Trudy

- Bob and Alice want to communicate “securely”
- Trudy may intercept, delete, add messages



Some example problems

- **eavesdrop**: intercept messages
- actively **insert** messages into connection
- **impersonation**: can fake (spoof) source address in packet (or any field in packet)
- **hijacking**: “take over” ongoing connection by removing sender or receiver, inserting himself in place
- **denial of service**: prevent service from being used by others (e.g., by overloading resources)

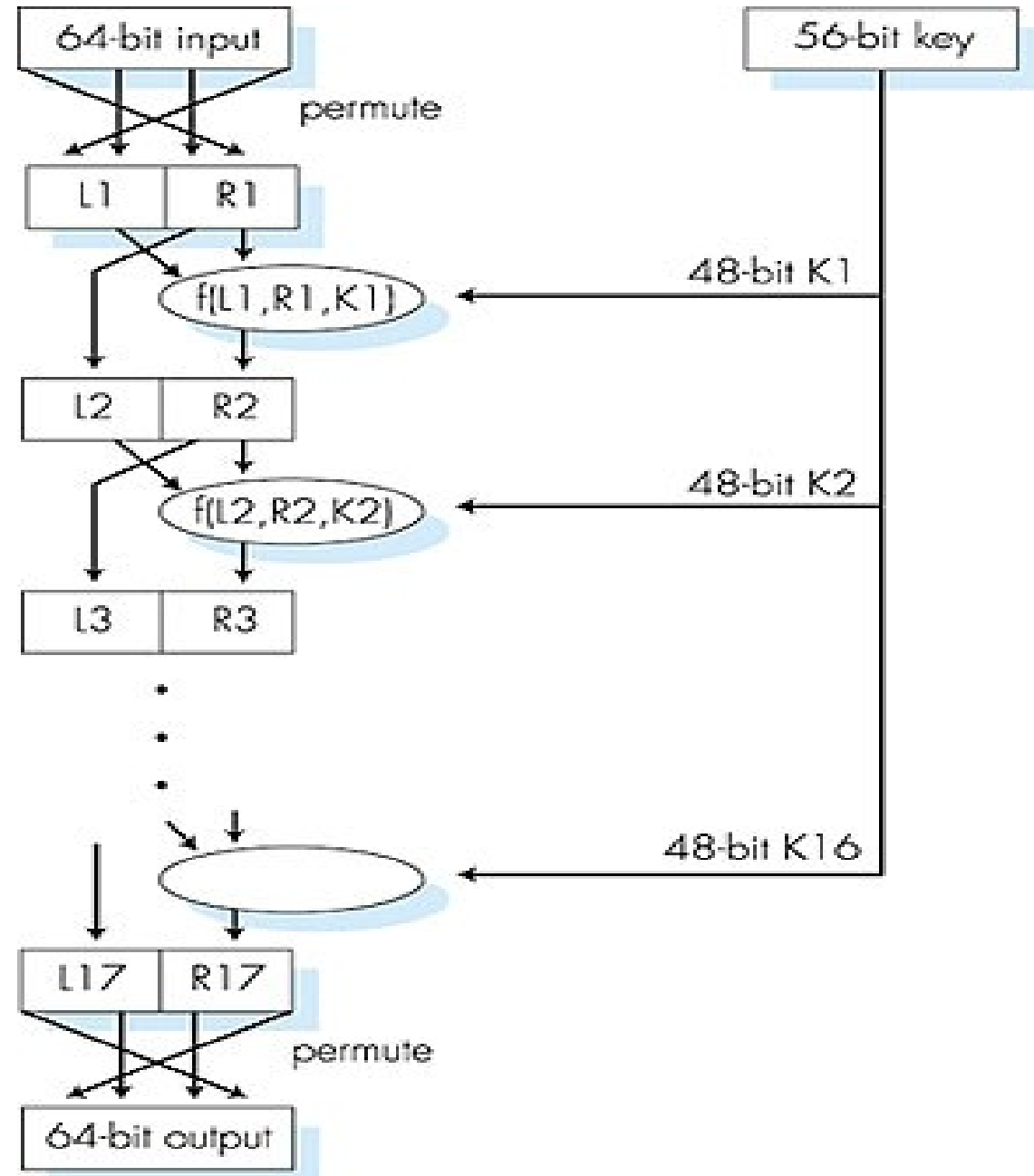
Symmetric key crypto: DES

DES operation

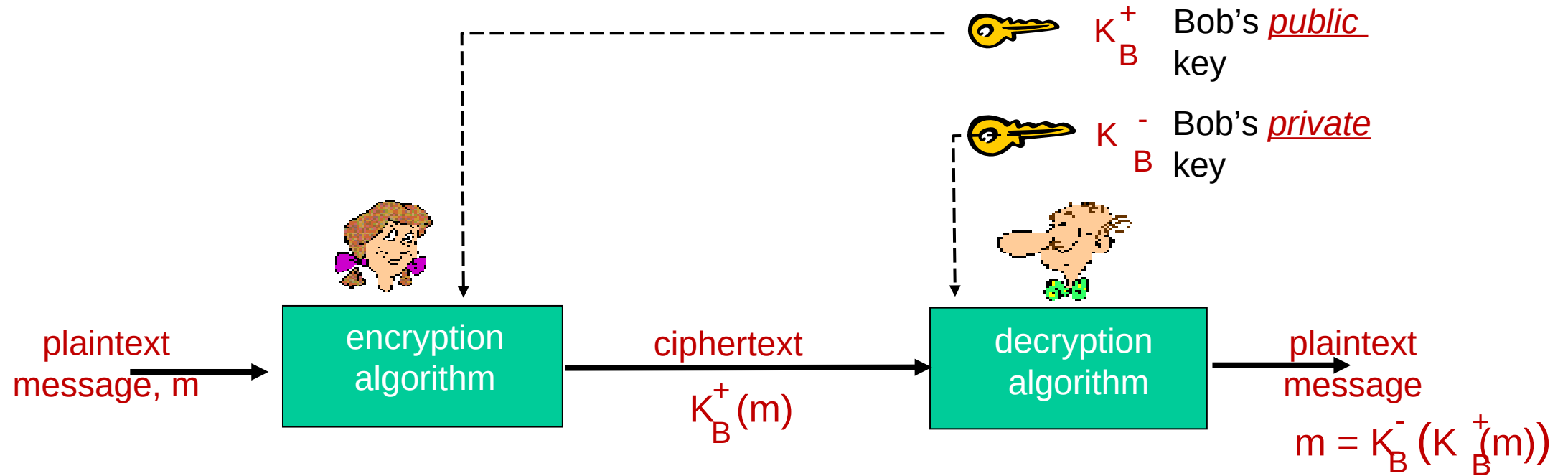
initial permutation

16 identical “rounds” of
function application, each
using different 48 bits of
key

final permutation



Public key cryptography



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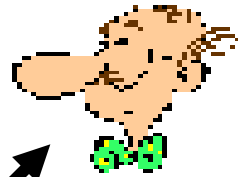
Failure scenario??



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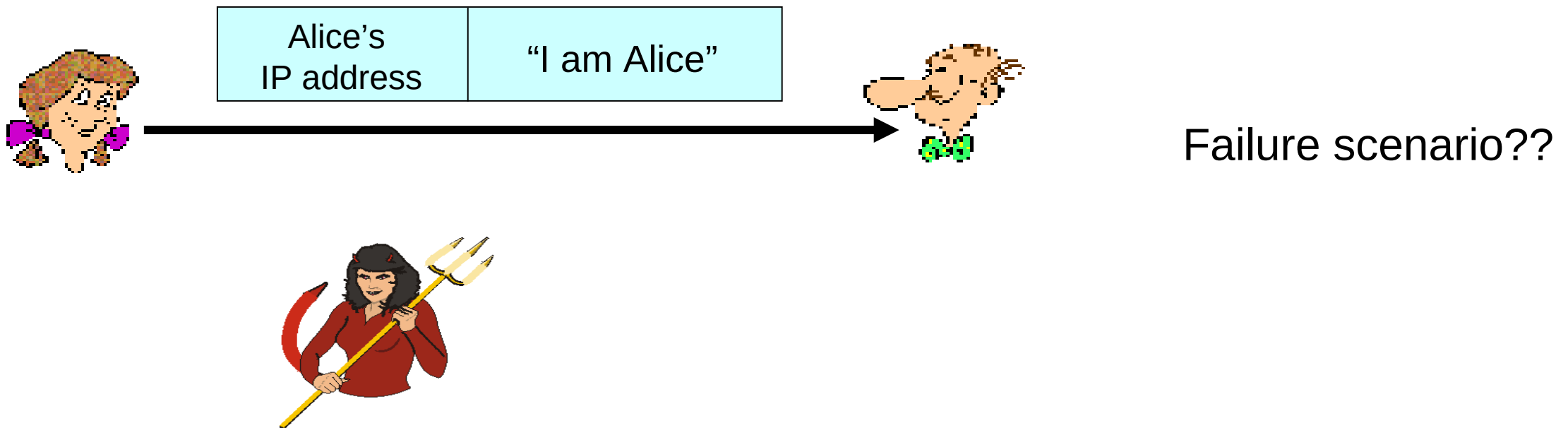


“I am Alice”

in a network,
Bob can not “see” Alice, so Trudy
simply declares
herself to be Alice

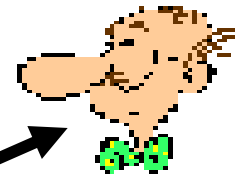
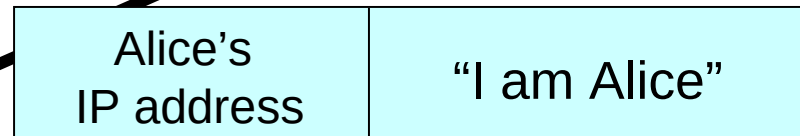
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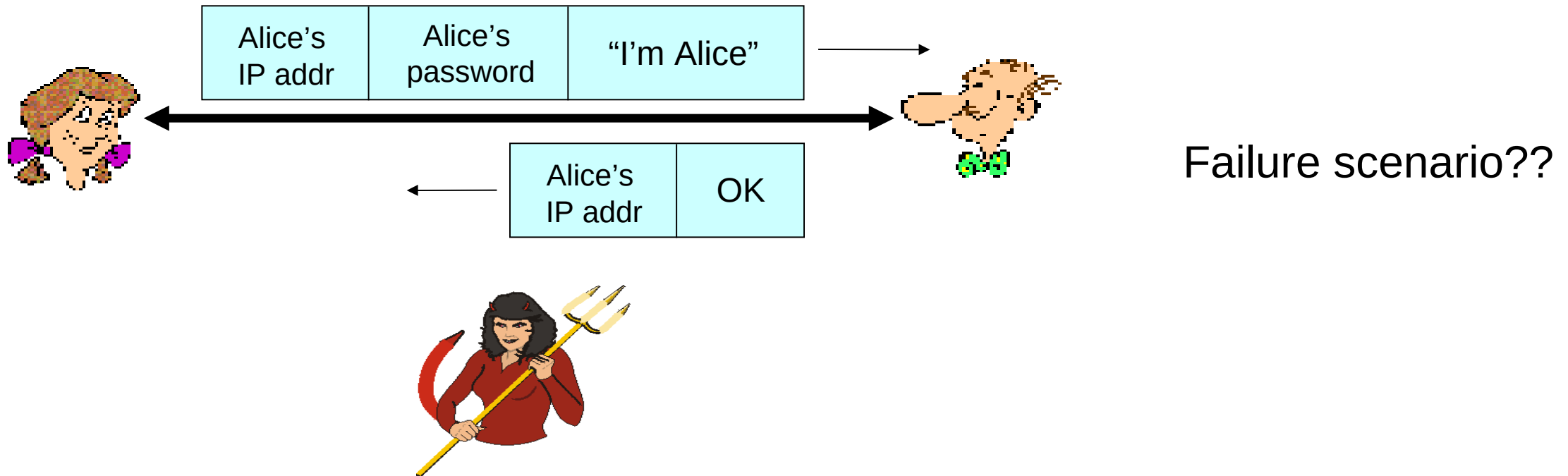
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Trudy can create a packet “spoofing” Alice’s address

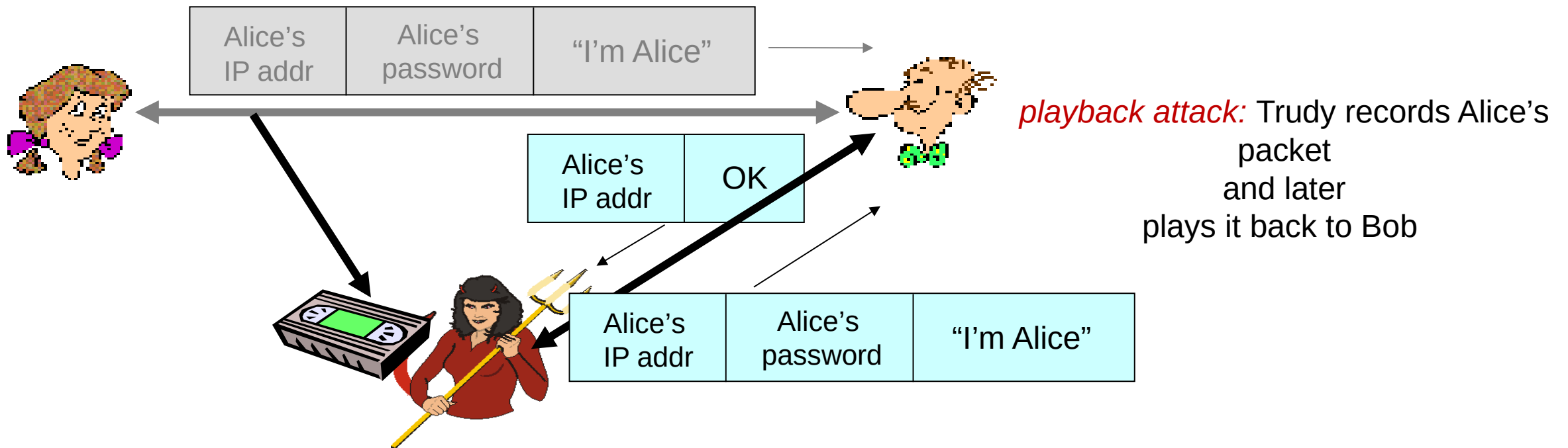
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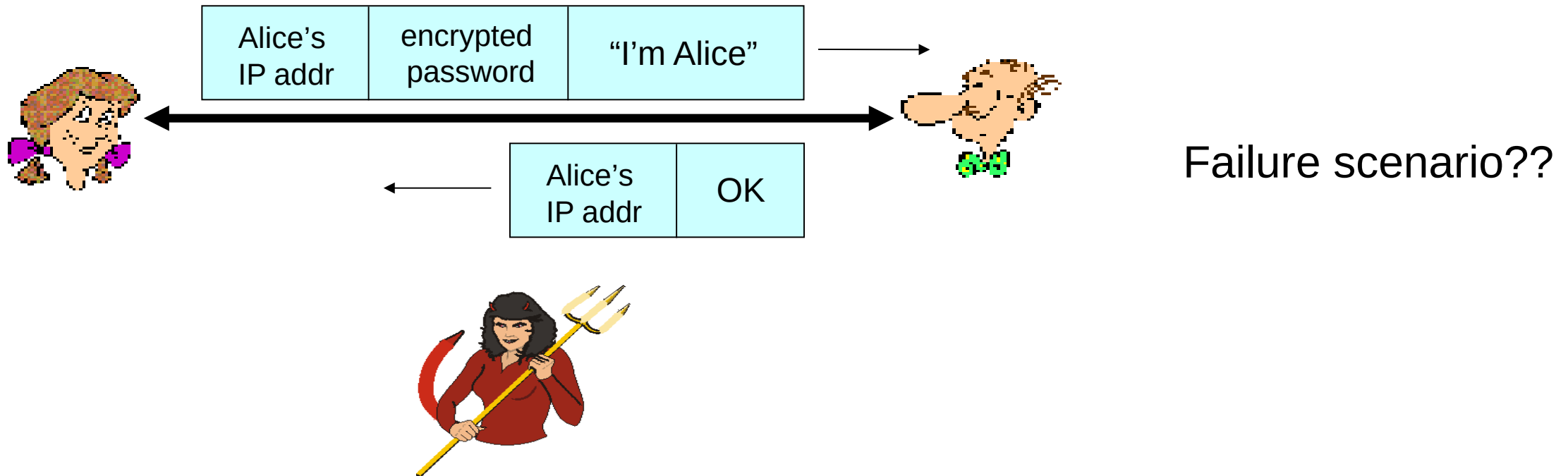
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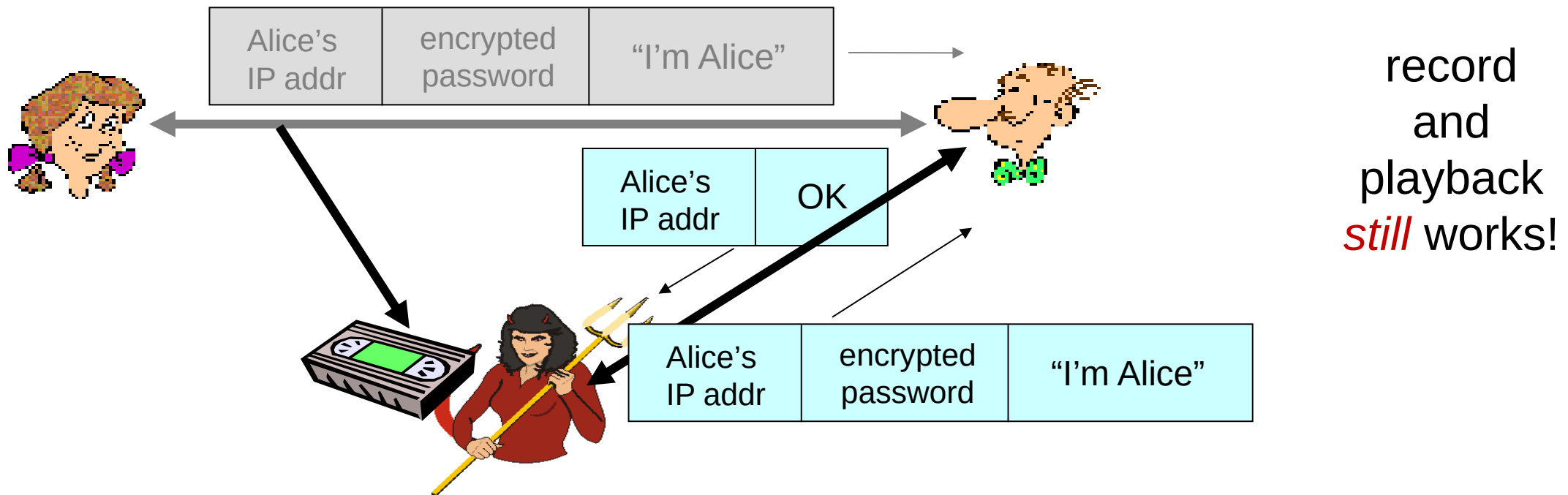
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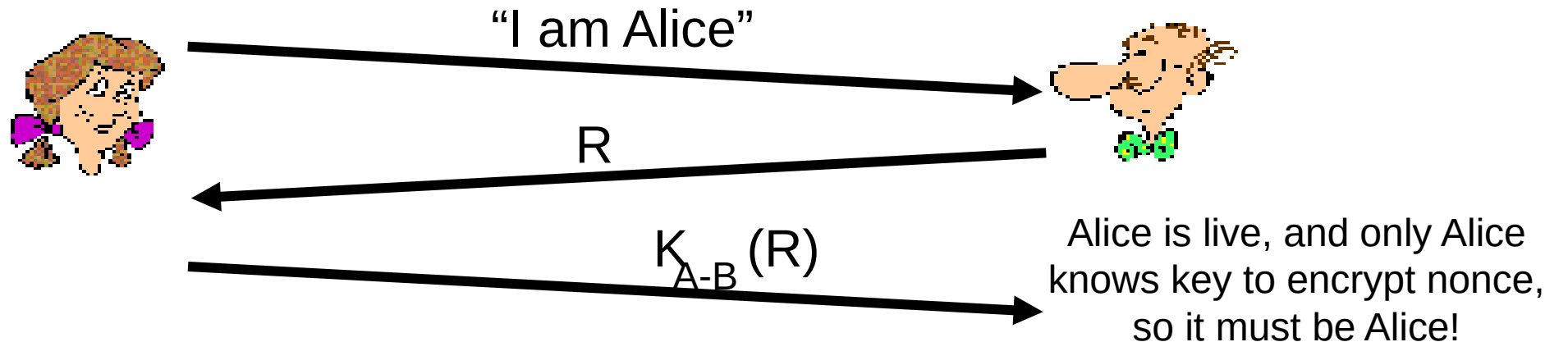


Authentication: yet another try

Goal: avoid playback attack

nonce: number (R) used only *once-in-a-lifetime*

ap4.0: to prove Alice “live”, Bob sends Alice **nonce**, R. Alice must return R, encrypted with shared secret key



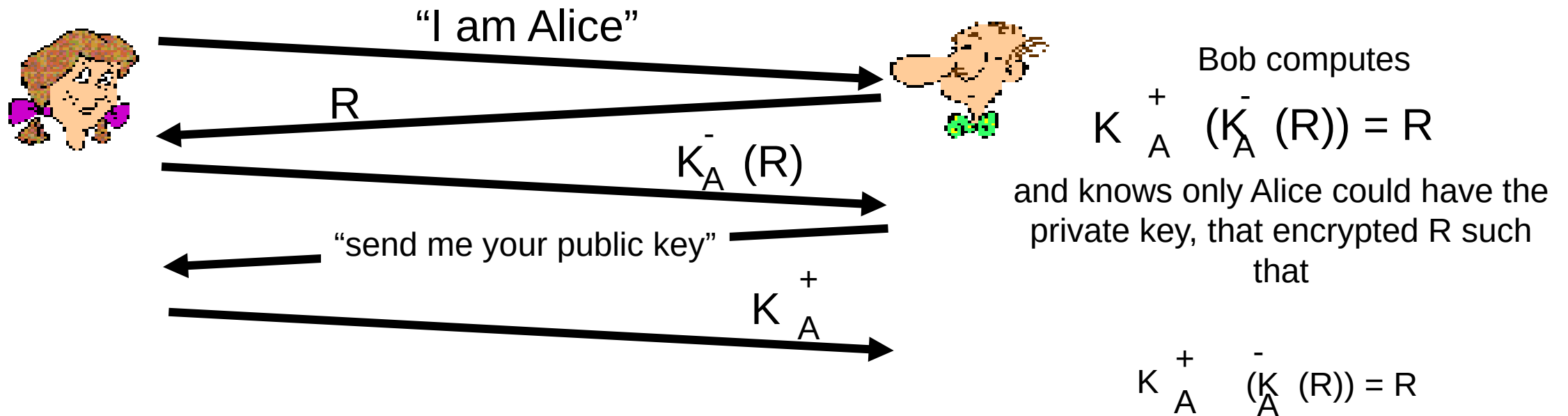
Failures, drawbacks?

Authentication: ap5.0

ap4.0 requires shared symmetric key

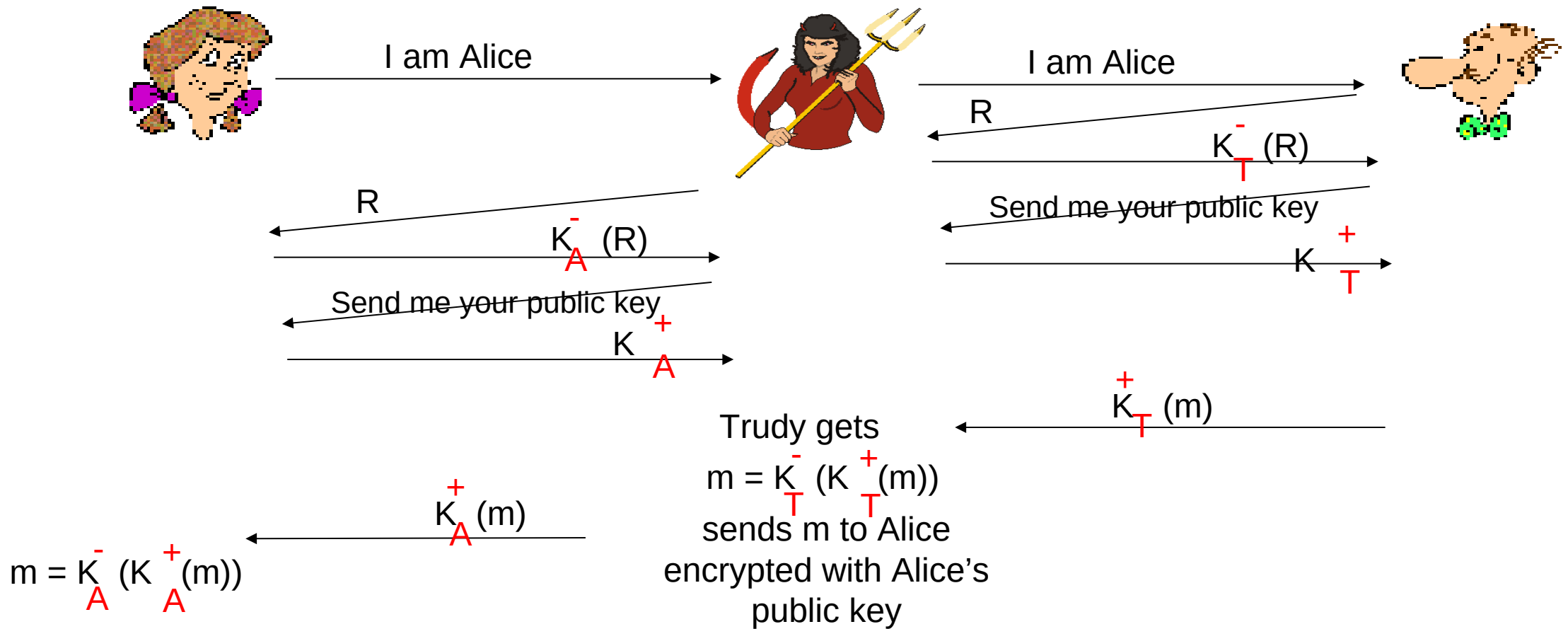
- can we authenticate using public key techniques?

ap5.0: use nonce, public key cryptography



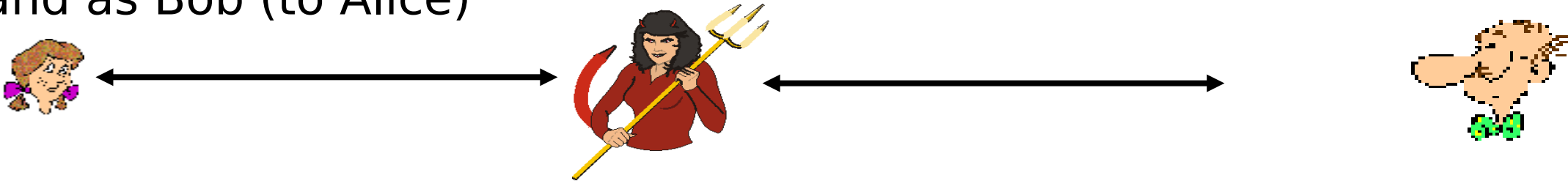
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difficult to detect:

- ❖ Bob receives everything that Alice sends, and vice versa.
- ❖ problem is that Trudy receives all messages as well!

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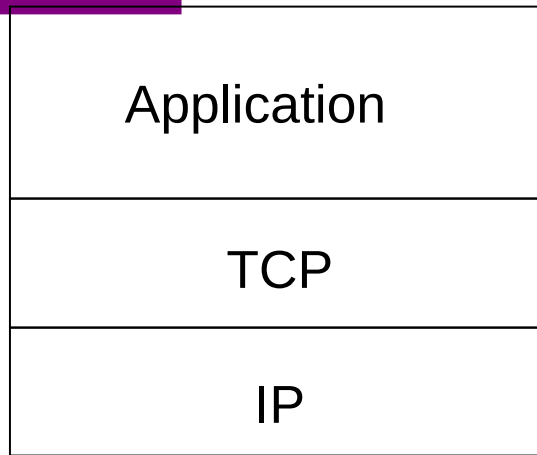
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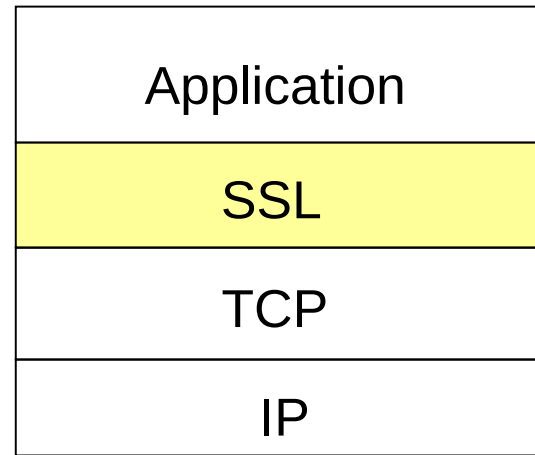
SSL: Secure Sockets Layer

- ❖ widely deployed security protocol
 - supported by almost all browsers, web servers
 - https
 - billions \$/year over SSL
- ❖ mechanisms: [Woo 1994], implementation: Netscape
- ❖ variation -TLS: transport layer security, RFC 2246
- ❖ provides
 - *confidentiality*
 - *integrity*
 - *authentication*
- ❖ original goals:
 - Web e-commerce transactions
 - encryption (especially credit-card numbers)
 - Web-server authentication
 - optional client authentication
 - minimum hassle in doing business with new merchant
- ❖ available to all TCP applications
 - secure socket interface

SSL and TCP/IP



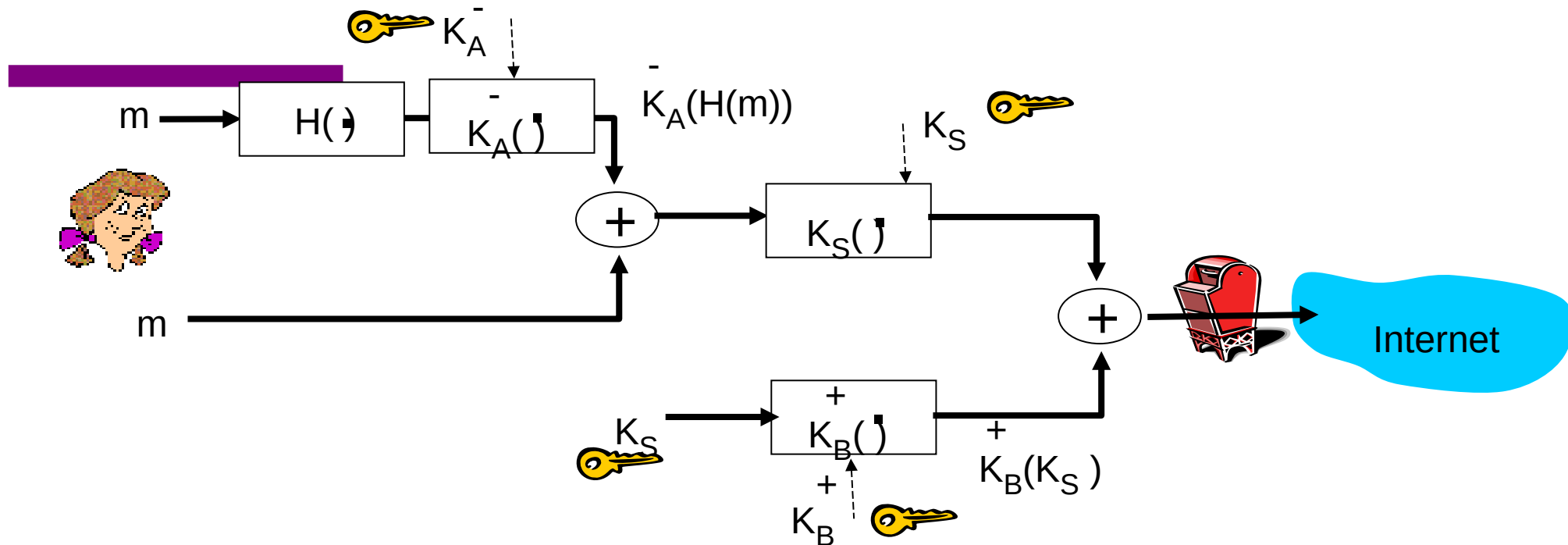
normal application



application with SSL

- ❖ SSL provides application programming interface (API) to applications
- ❖ C and Java SSL libraries/classes readily available

Could do something like PGP:



- ❖ but want to send byte streams & interactive data
- ❖ want set of secret keys for entire connection
- ❖ want certificate exchange as part of protocol: handshake phase

Real SSL: handshake (1)

Purpose

1. server authentication
2. negotiation: agree on crypto algorithms
3. establish keys
4. client authentication (optional)

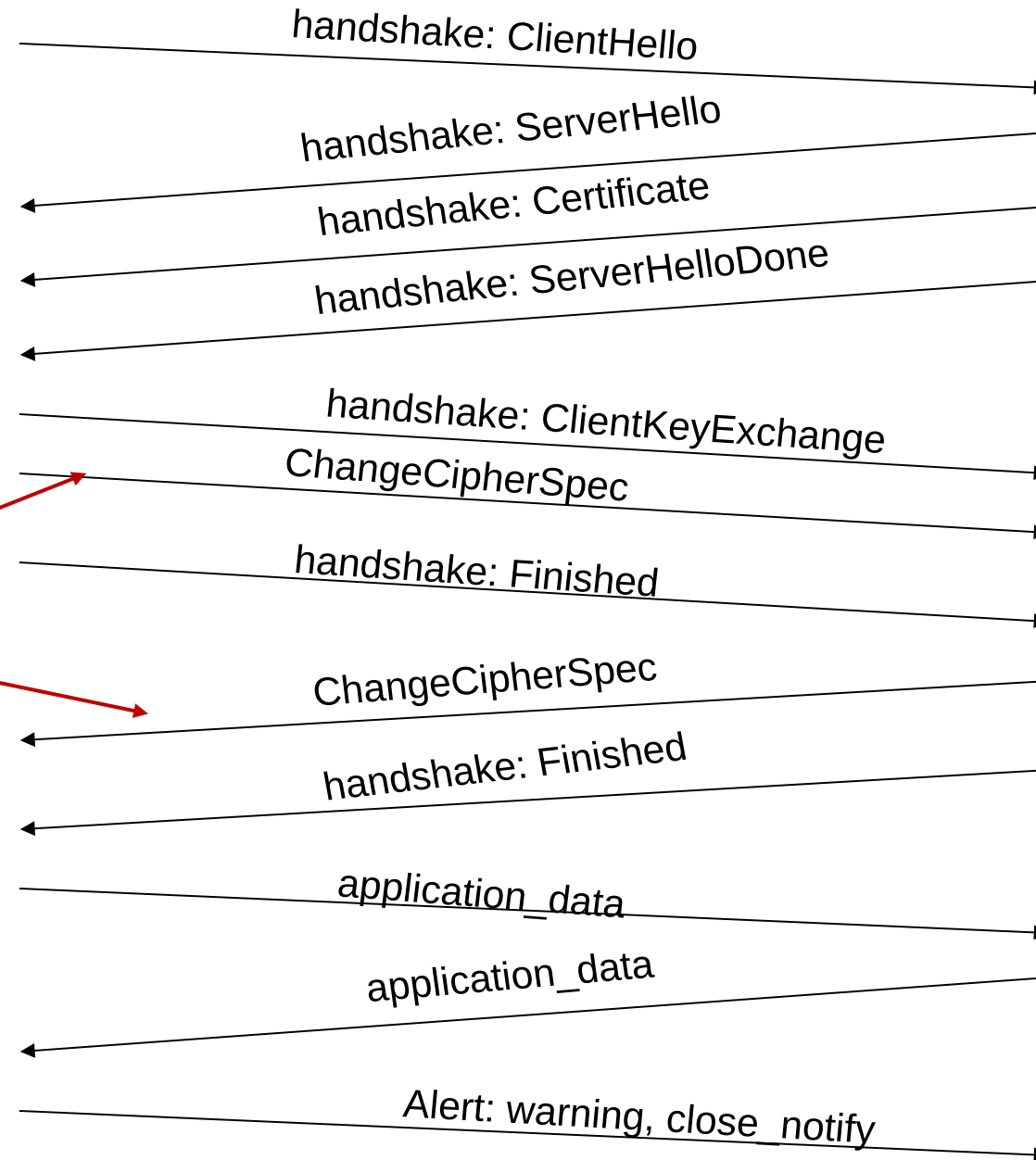
Real SSL: handshake (2)

1. client sends list of algorithms it supports, along with client nonce
2. server chooses algorithms from list; sends back: choice + certificate + server nonce
3. client verifies certificate, extracts server's public key, generates pre_master_secret, encrypts with server's public key, sends to server
4. client and server independently compute encryption and MAC keys from pre_master_secret and nonces
5. client sends a MAC of all the handshake messages
6. server sends a MAC of all the handshake messages

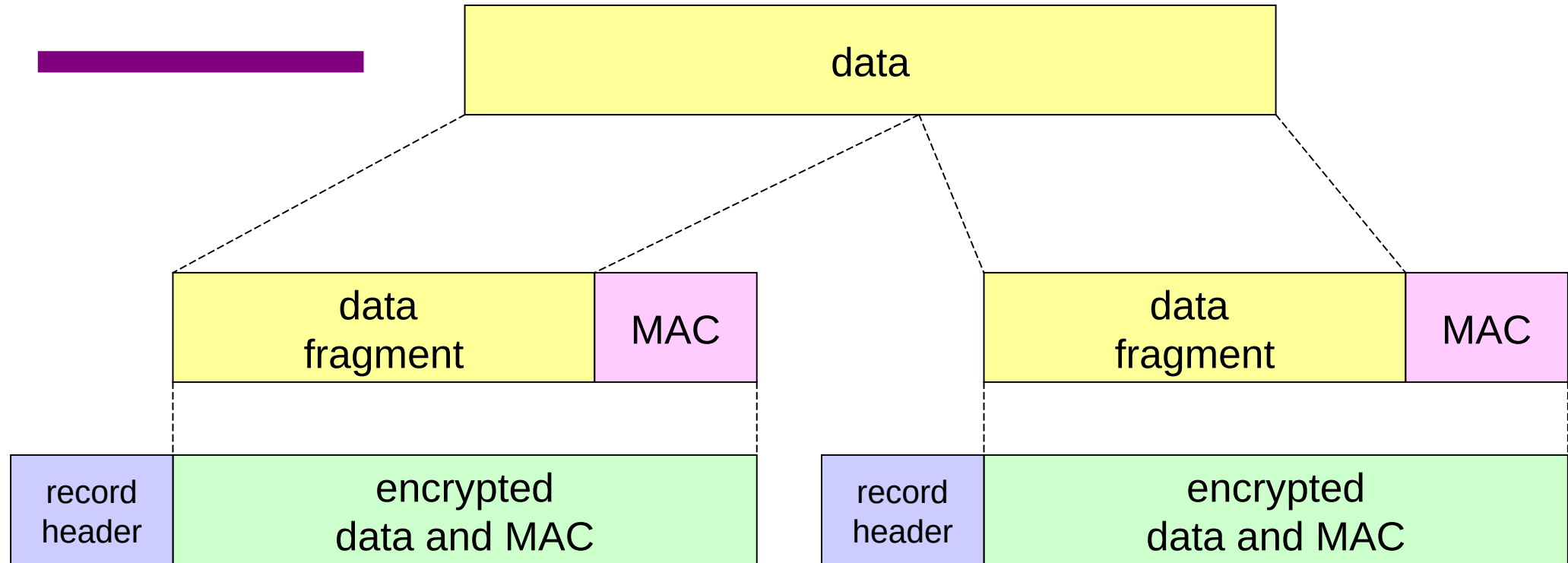
Real SSL connection

*everything
henceforth
is encrypted*

TCP FIN follows



SSL record protocol

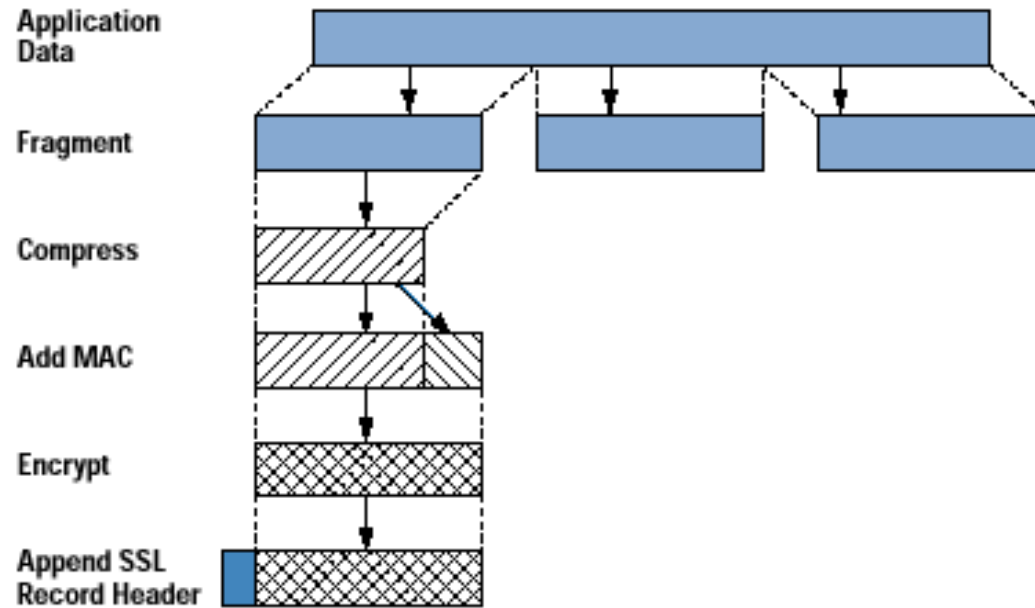


record header: content type; version; length

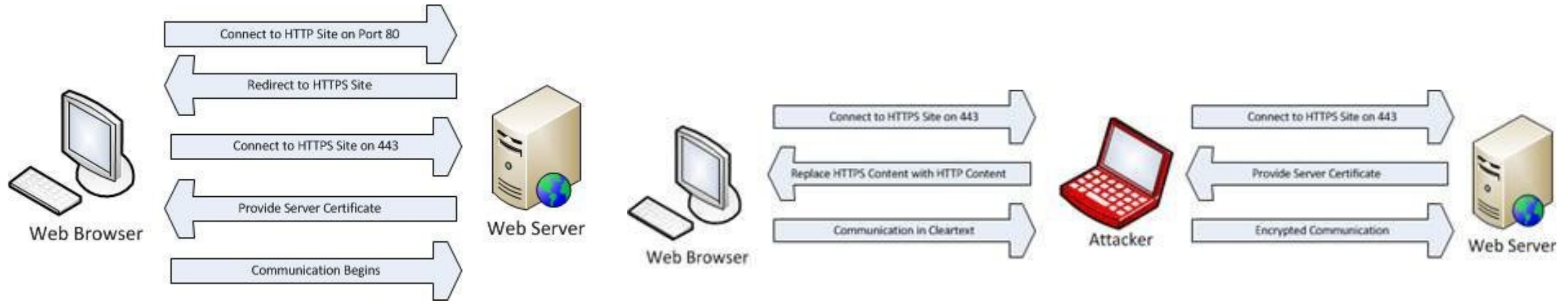
MAC: includes sequence number, MAC key M_x

fragment: each SSL fragment 2^{14} bytes (~16 Kbytes)

Application and SSL



SSL and HTTPS



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What is network-layer confidentiality ?

between two network entities:

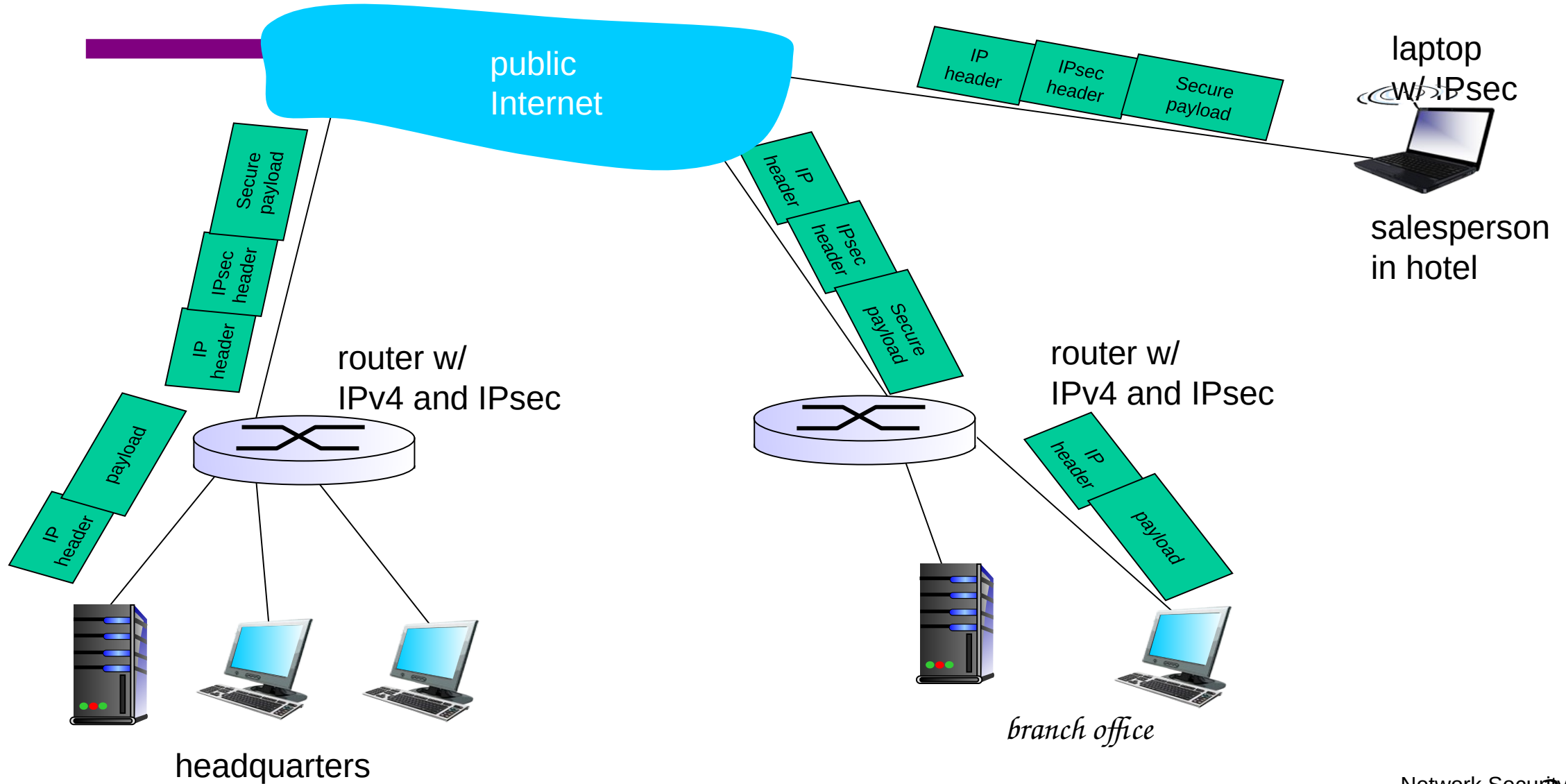
- sending entity encrypts datagram payload, payload could be:
 - TCP or UDP segment, ICMP message, OSPF message
- all data sent from one entity to other would be hidden:
 - web pages, e-mail, P2P file transfers, TCP SYN packets ...
- “blanket coverage”

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)

motivation:

- ❖ institutions often want private networks for security.
 - costly: separate routers, links, DNS infrastructure.
- ❖ VPN: institution's inter-office traffic is sent over public Internet instead
 - encrypted before entering public Internet
 - logically separate from other traffic

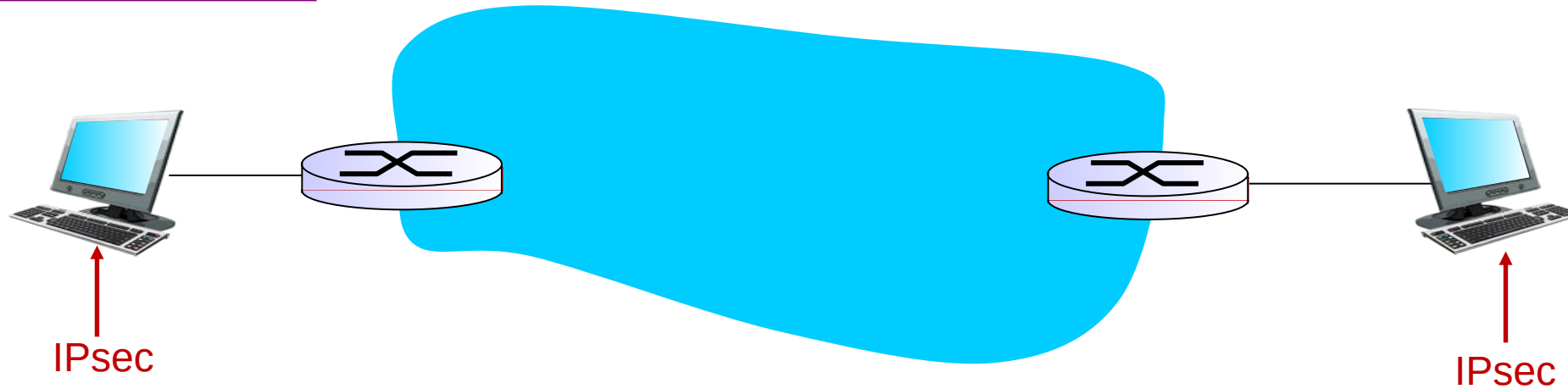
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IPsec services

- data integrity
 - origin authentication
 - replay attack prevention
 - confidentiality
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- two protocols providing different service models:
 - AH
 - ESP

IPsec transport mode



- IPsec datagram emitted and received by end-system
- protects upper level protocols

IPsec – tunneling mode



- edge routers IPsec-aware

- ❖ hosts IPsec-aware

Two IPsec protocols

- Authentication Header (AH) protocol
 - provides source authentication & data integrity but *not* confidentiality
- Encapsulation Security Protocol (ESP)
 - provides source authentication, data integrity, *and* confidentiality
 - more widely used than AH

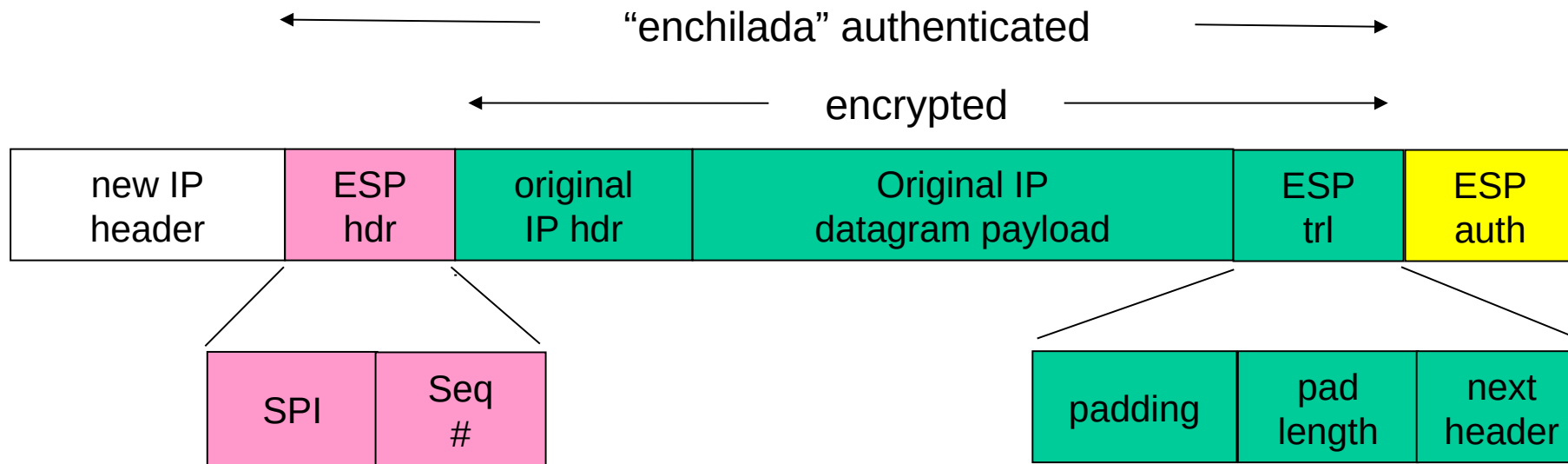
Four combinations are possible!

Host mode with AH	Host mode with ESP
Tunnel mode with AH	Tunnel mode with ESP

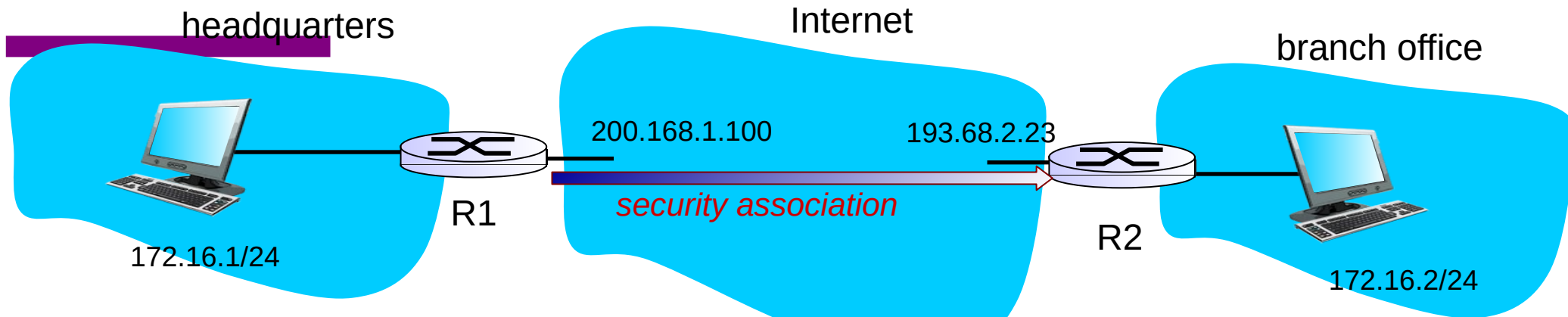
most common and
most important

IPsec datagram

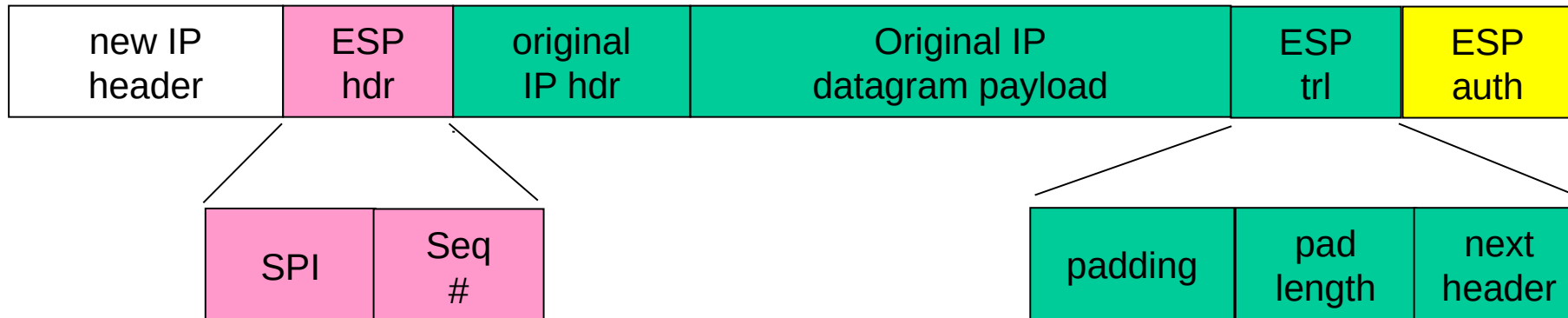
focus for now on tunnel mode with ESP



What happens?



← "enchilada" authenticated →
← encrypted →



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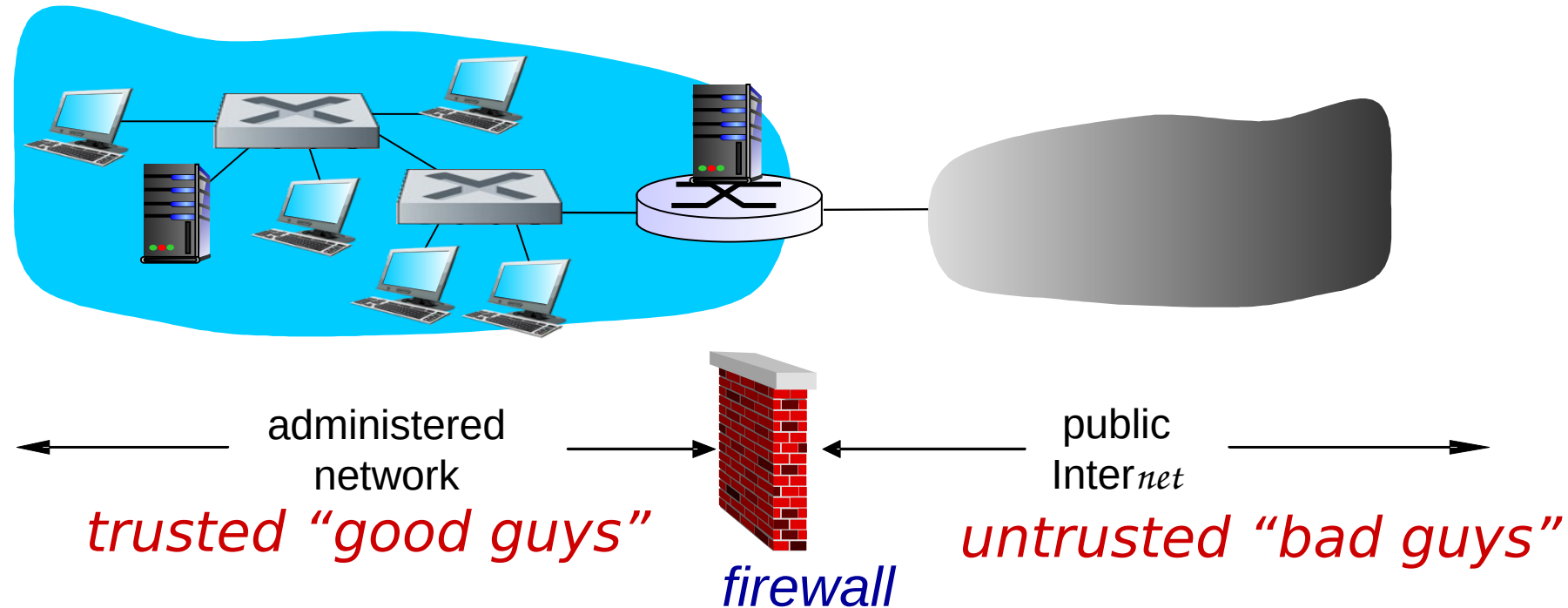
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Firewalls

firewall

isolates organization's internal net from larger Internet, allowing some packets to pass, blocking others



Firewalls: why

prevent denial of service attacks:

- ❖ SYN flooding: attacker establishes many bogus TCP connections, no resources left for “real” connections

prevent illegal modification/access of internal data

- ❖ e.g., attacker replaces CIA’s homepage with something else

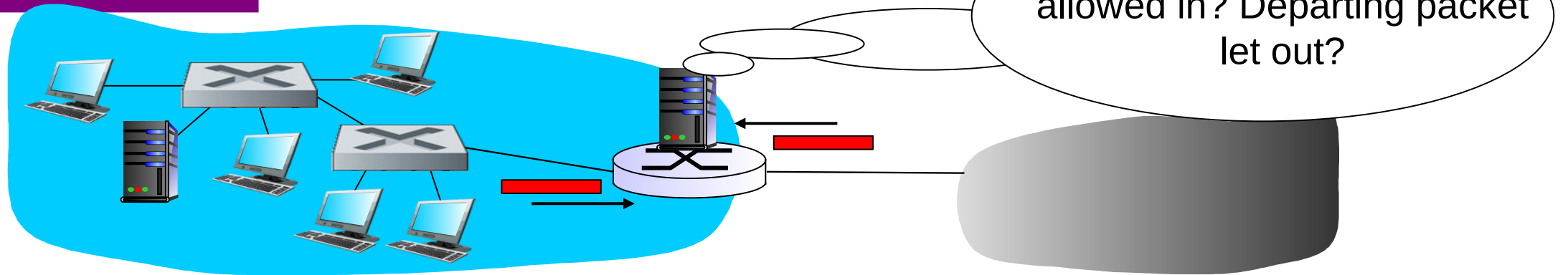
allow only authorized access to inside network

- ❖ set of authenticated users/hosts

three types of firewalls:

- ❖ stateless packet filters
- ❖ stateful packet filters
- ❖ application gateways

Stateless packet filtering



- internal network connected to Internet via *router firewall*
- router *filters packet-by-packet*, decision to forward/drop packet based on:
 - source IP address, destination IP address
 - TCP/UDP source and destination port numbers
 - ICMP message type
 - TCP SYN and ACK bits

Stateless packet filtering: example

- *example 1:* block incoming and outgoing datagrams with IP protocol field = 17 and with either source or dest port = 23
 - *result:* all incoming, outgoing UDP flows and telnet connections are blocked
- *example 2:* block inbound TCP segments with ACK=0.
 - *result:* prevents external clients from making TCP connections with internal clients, but allows internal clients to connect to outside.

Stateless packet filtering: more examples

<i>Policy</i>	<i>Firewall Setting</i>
No outside Web access.	Drop all outgoing packets to any IP address, port 80
No incoming TCP connections, except those for institution's public Web server only.	Drop all incoming TCP SYN packets to any IP except 130.207.244.203, port 80
Prevent Web-radios from eating up the available bandwidth.	Drop all incoming UDP packets - except DNS and router broadcasts.
Prevent your network from being used for a smurf DoS attack.	Drop all ICMP packets going to a "broadcast" address (e.g. 130.207.255.255).
Prevent your network from being tracerouted	Drop all outgoing ICMP TTL expired traffic

Access Control Lists

- ❖ **ACL:** table of rules, applied top to bottom to incoming packets: (action, condition) pairs

action	source address	dest address	protocol	source port	dest port	flag bit
allow	222.22/16	outside of 222.22/16	TCP	> 1023	80	any
allow	outside of 222.22/16	222.22/16	TCP	80	> 1023	ACK
allow	222.22/16	outside of 222.22/16	UDP	> 1023	53	---
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deny	all	all	all	all	all	all

Stateful packet filtering

- **stateless packet filter**: heavy handed tool
 - admits packets that “make no sense,” e.g., dest port = 80, ACK bit set, even though no TCP connection established:

action	source address	dest address	protocol	source port	dest port	flag bit
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- ❖ **stateful packet filter**: track status of every TCP connection
 - track connection setup (SYN), teardown (FIN): determine whether incoming, outgoing packets “makes sense”
 - timeout inactive connections at firewall: no longer admit packets

Stateless packet filtering: problems



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SYN (Request port 22 connection)



SYN/ACK (It's open, go ahead)



RST (No, forget it!)



scanme

If network security interests you: <https://nmap.org/book/>

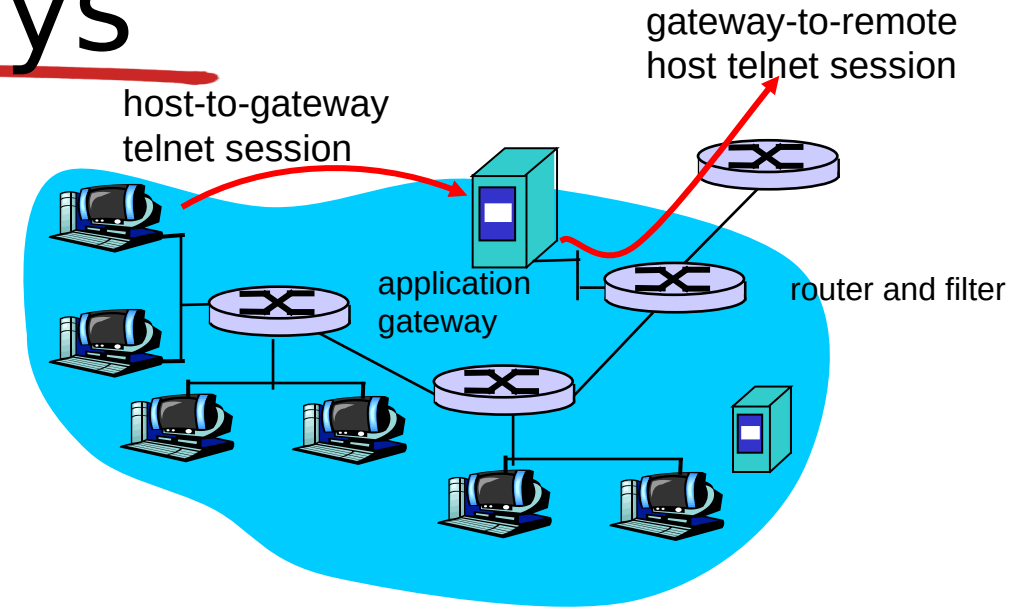
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- ❖ ACL augmented to indicate need to check connection state table before admitting packet

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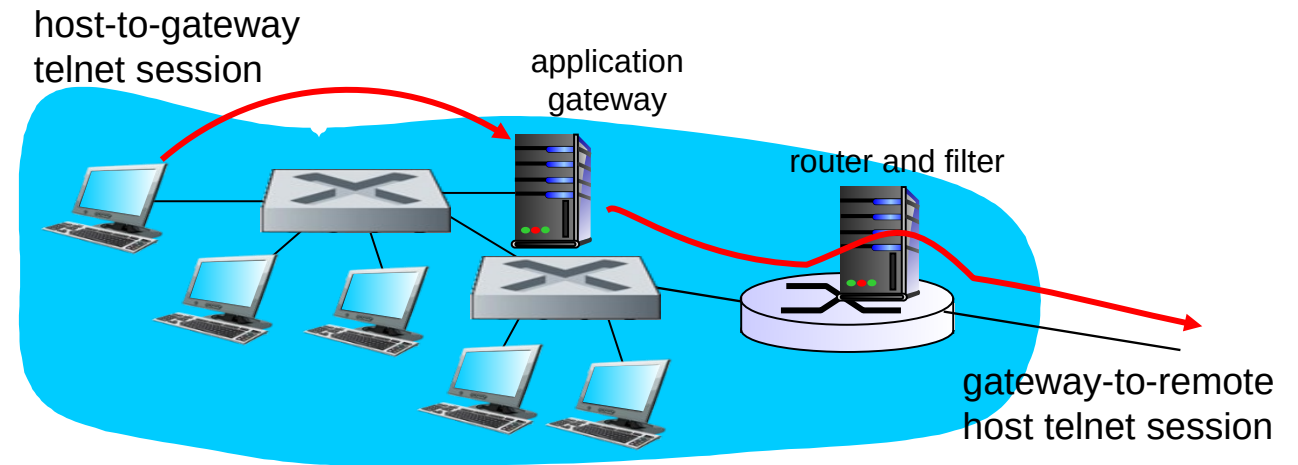
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Limitations of firewalls, gateways

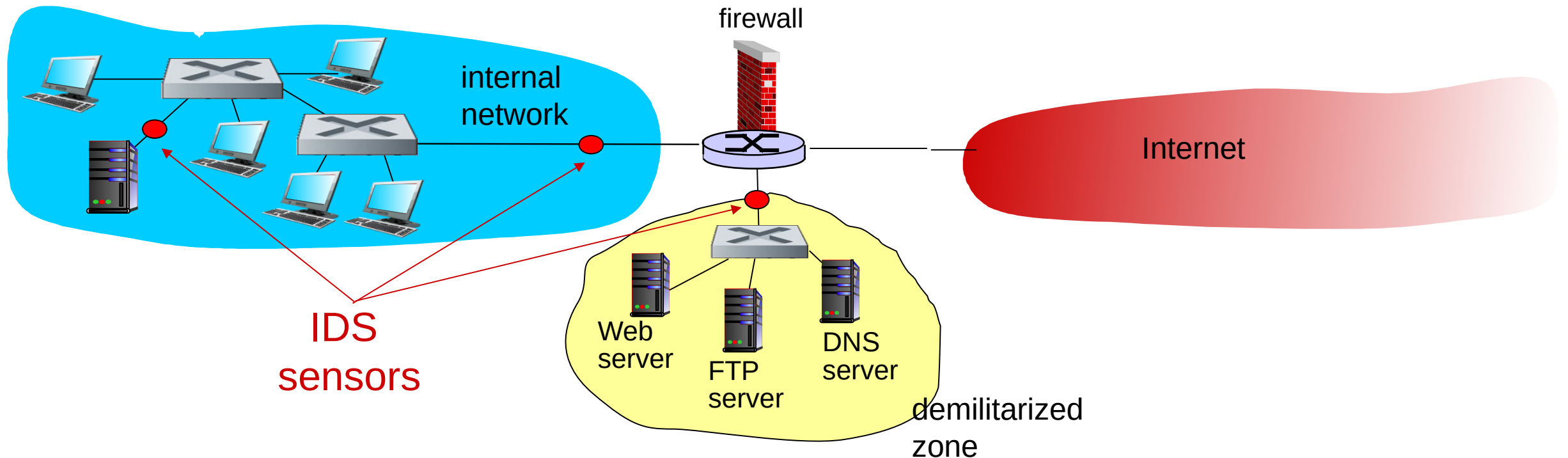
- *IP spoofing*: router can't know if data "really" comes from claimed source
- if multiple app's. need special treatment, each has own app. gateway
- client software must know how to contact gateway.
 - e.g., must set IP address of proxy in Web browser
- filters often use all or nothing policy for UDP
- *tradeoff: degree of communication with outside world, level of security*
- many highly protected sites still suffer from attacks

Intrusion detection systems

- **packet filtering:**
 - operates on TCP/IP headers only
 - no correlation check among sessions
- ***IDS: intrusion detection system***
 - ***deep packet inspection:*** look at packet contents (e.g., check character strings in packet against database of known virus, attack strings)
 - **examine correlation** among multiple packets
 - port scanning
 - network mapping
 - DoS attack

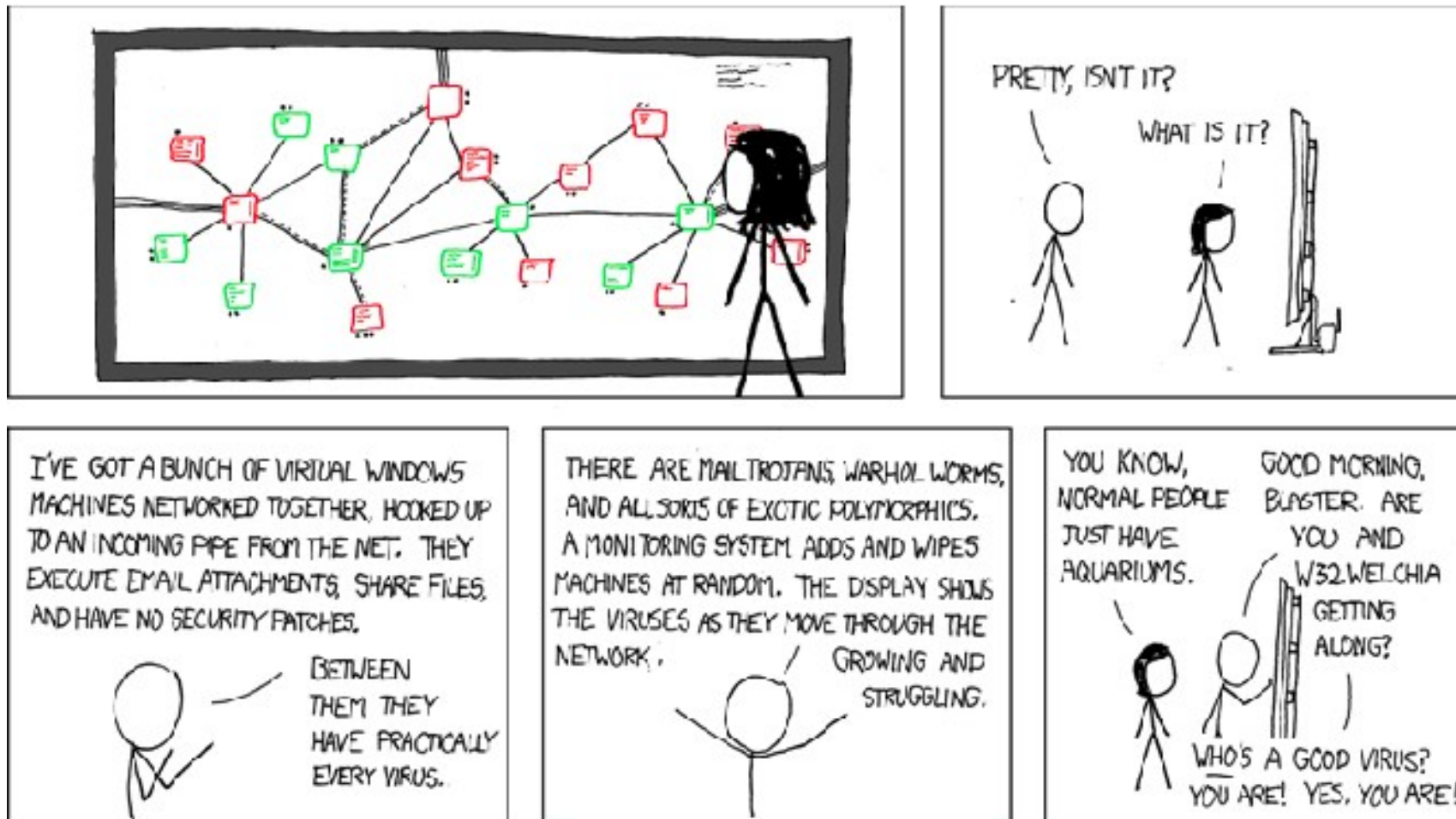
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- multiple IDSs: different types of checking at different locations



Honeypots

- mechanism set to detect, deflect unauthorized use of systems.



Network Security (summary)

basic techniques.....

- cryptography (symmetric and public)
- message integrity
- end-point authentication

.... used in many different security scenarios

- secure email
- secure transport (SSL)
- IP sec
- 802.11

operational security: firewalls and IDS