

Lecture 6:

Key Exchange

The era of “electronic mail” [Potter1977] may soon be upon us; we must ensure that two important properties of the current “paper mail” system are preserved: (a) messages are *private*, and (b) messages can be *signed*.

R. Rivest, A. Shamir and L. Adleman. *A Method for Obtaining Digital Signatures and Public-Key Cryptosystems*. Communications of the ACM, January 1978. (The original RSA paper.)



Menu

- PS1
- RC6 Proof Challenge (Vic Ludwig)
- Key Distribution (Greg Lamm)
- Diffie-Hellman Key Agreement
- Intro to Public-Key Cryptosystems
- Return PS1

PS1

- Problem 2
 - Process more interesting than answer
- Problem 4
 - Even a “provably perfect” scheme breaks in practice
 - Bonus question:
 - any 98 agents obtain no information
 - any 99 agents can determine message
 - key data $O(100 * n)$