Lecture 8: Cryptography Trust No One.



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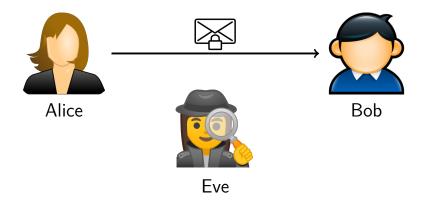


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Goal: system st Bob gets the message, Eve doesn't

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- CRT: m is only solution!

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Note: can factor quickly on quantum computers Not an immediate issue, but may be in the future!

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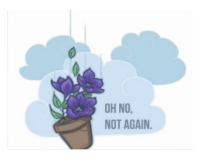
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