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# Computer Security & Access Protection



# topics:

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**Overview and Terminology**  
**Security requirements**  
**Threats, adversaries and intruders**  
**Attacks from outside the system**  
**Attacks from inside the system**  
**Security holes**  
**Protection mechanisms**  
**Trusted systems**



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# Trust Security Protection

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# **translation of terms:**

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|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Authenticity:</b>        | <b>Authentizität</b>  |
| <b>Availability:</b>        | <b>Verfügbarkeit</b>  |
| <b>Confidentiality:</b>     | <b>Vertraulichkeit</b>  |
| <b>Denial of Service:</b>   | <b>Dienstverweigerung</b>                                       |
| <b>Integrity:</b>           | <b>Datenintegrität, Schutz gegen unautorisierte Veränderung</b> |
| <b>Intruder, Adversary:</b> | <b>Eindringling, Angreifer, Gegner</b>                          |
| <b>Privacy:</b>             | <b>Datenschutz</b>  |
| <b>Protection:</b>          | <b>Zugriffsschutz</b>   |
| <b>Security:</b>            | <b>(Informations-) Sicherheit (Betriebssicherheit= safety)</b>  |
| <b>Security threat:</b>     | <b>Bedrohung</b>  |
| <b>Trust:</b>               | <b>Vertrauenswürdigkeit</b>                                     |



# Definitions:

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**Trust** is a property within a social organization with respect to handling information. Trust defines the requirements and the resulting policies defined by an application area concerning the proper usage of information in the temporal and functional domain. It reflects the flow of information in an organization and is specified in terms of rules between authorization of subjects and clearance of information.

**Security** is the property of an information processing system. Security defines the requirements useful for an owner and user of information to protect it against security threats. Basic requirements which have to be assured in spite of intentional and malicious attacks are the confidentiality, integrity, availability and authenticity of information.

**Protection** is the set of hardware and software mechanisms to enforce security in a system.



# Access Control

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**Trusted System:**

**Mandatory access control.**

**Rules defined by organization policy.**

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**Secure System:**

**Discretionary, user defined access control.**

**Rules defined by individual user.**

**Goal: Flexibility, Expressiveness, Least Privilege.**

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**Protection System:**

**Mechanisms in the hardware, firmware and the operating system to enforce access specifications.**



# Security vs. Privacy

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**Security protects data against misuse by individuals.**

**Privacy protects individuals against the misuse of data.**

**Security is a necessary but not a sufficient condition  
for trust and privacy !**



# requirements for security

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**Confidentiality:**

**data should not be read by unauthorized parties.**

**Integrity:**

**data should not be changed by unauthorized parties.**

**Availability:**

**data should be accessible when they are needed.**

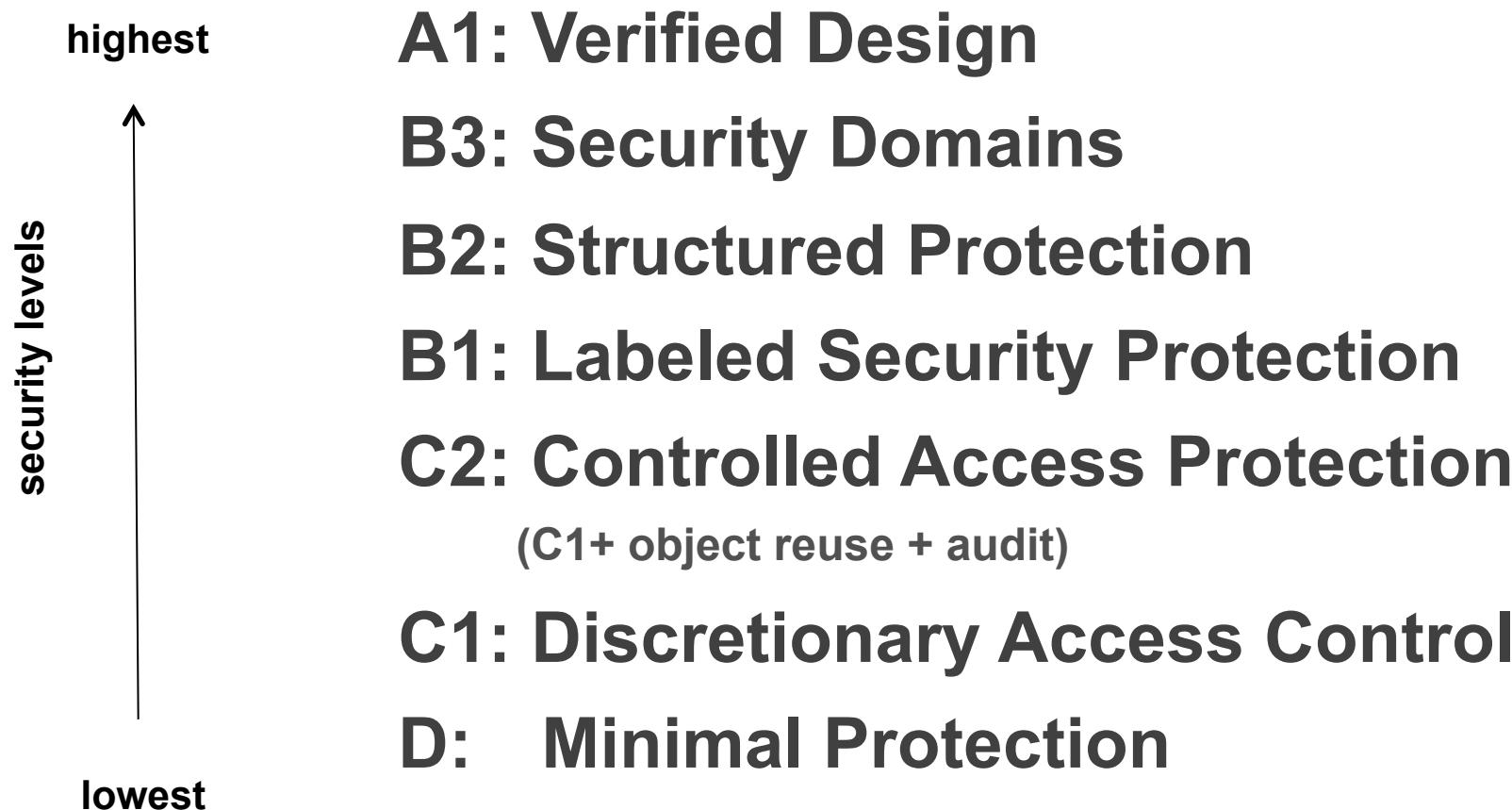
**Authenticity:**

**the identity of subjects may not be forged**



# Orange Book Security Classes

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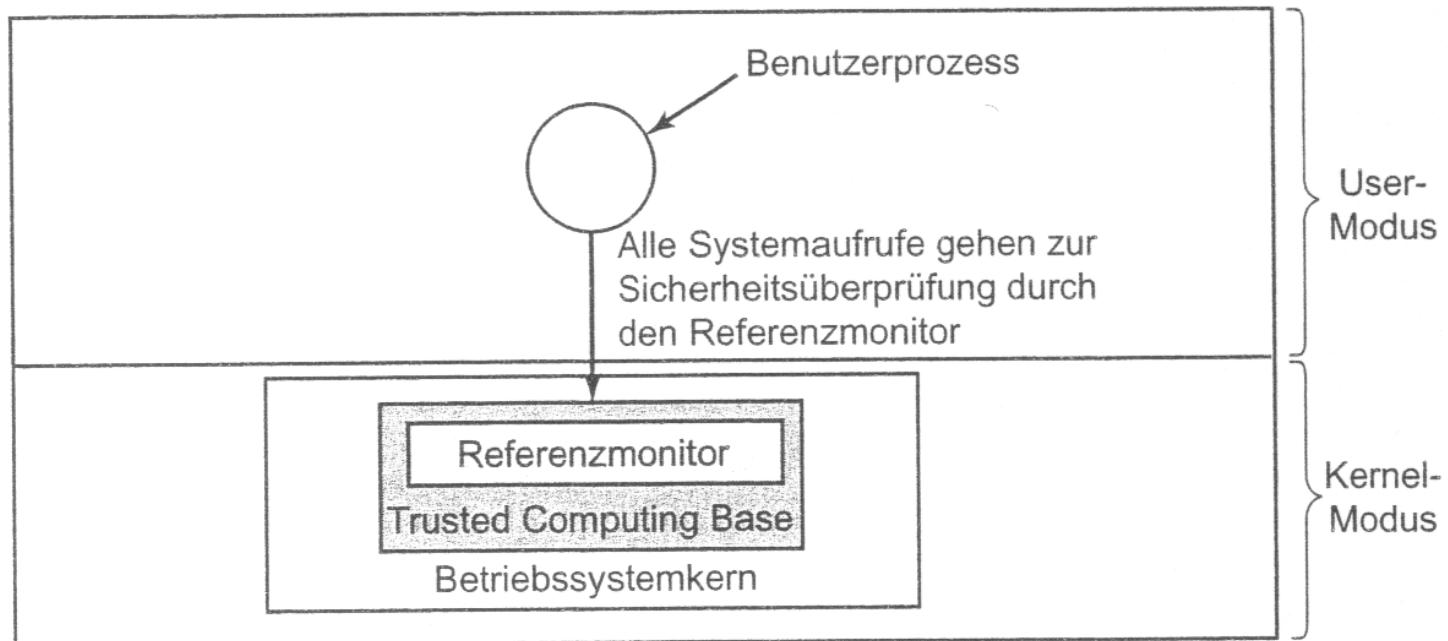


# Components of the security model

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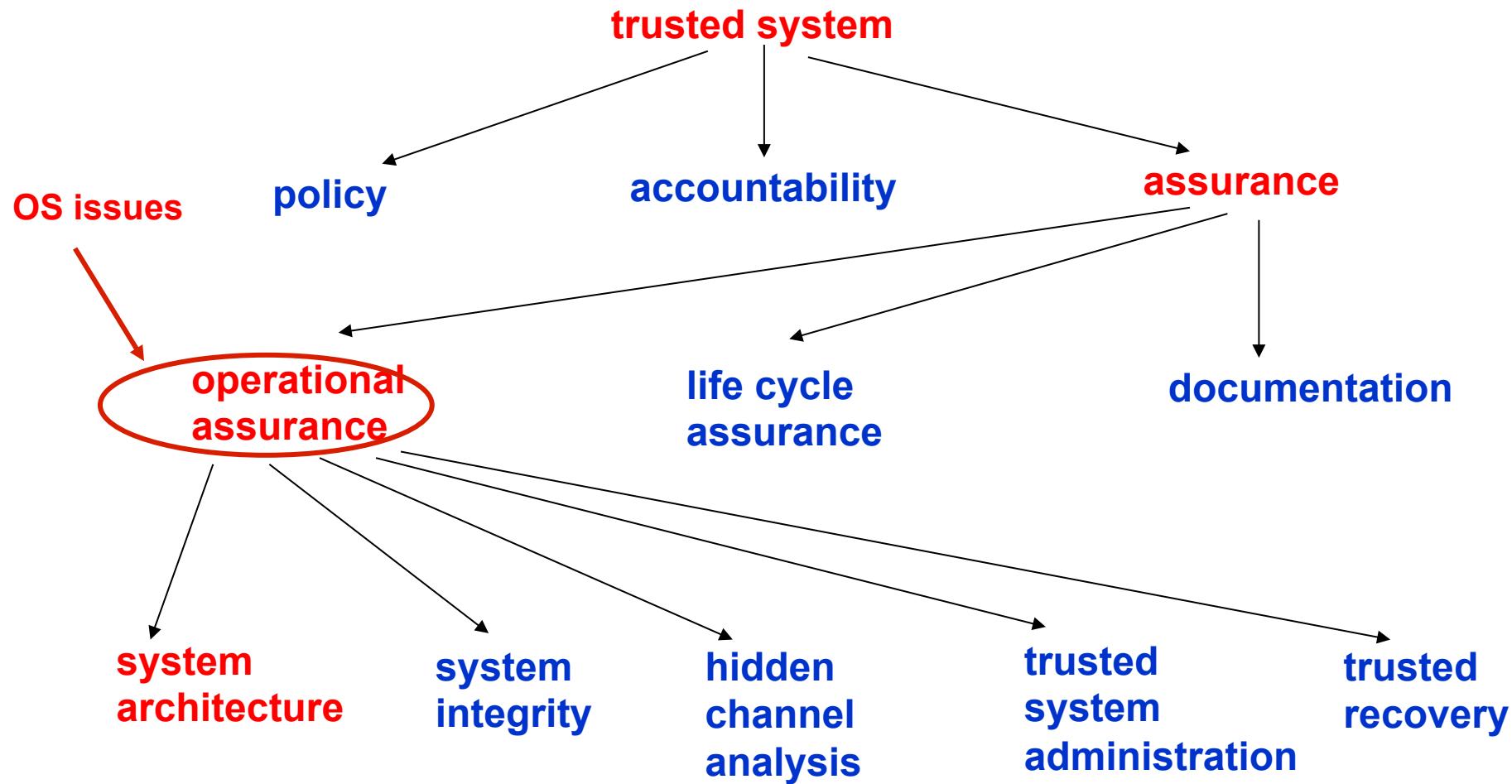
- **Reference monitor:** an abstract machine that mediates all access control decisions
- **Reference validation mechanism (RVM):** an implementation of a reference monitor
- **Security kernel:** software+ hardware that implements a reference monitor
- **Trusted Computing Base (TCB):** all protection mechanisms that enforce security policy
- **Target of Evaluation (ToE):** the subject of evaluation (system or product)



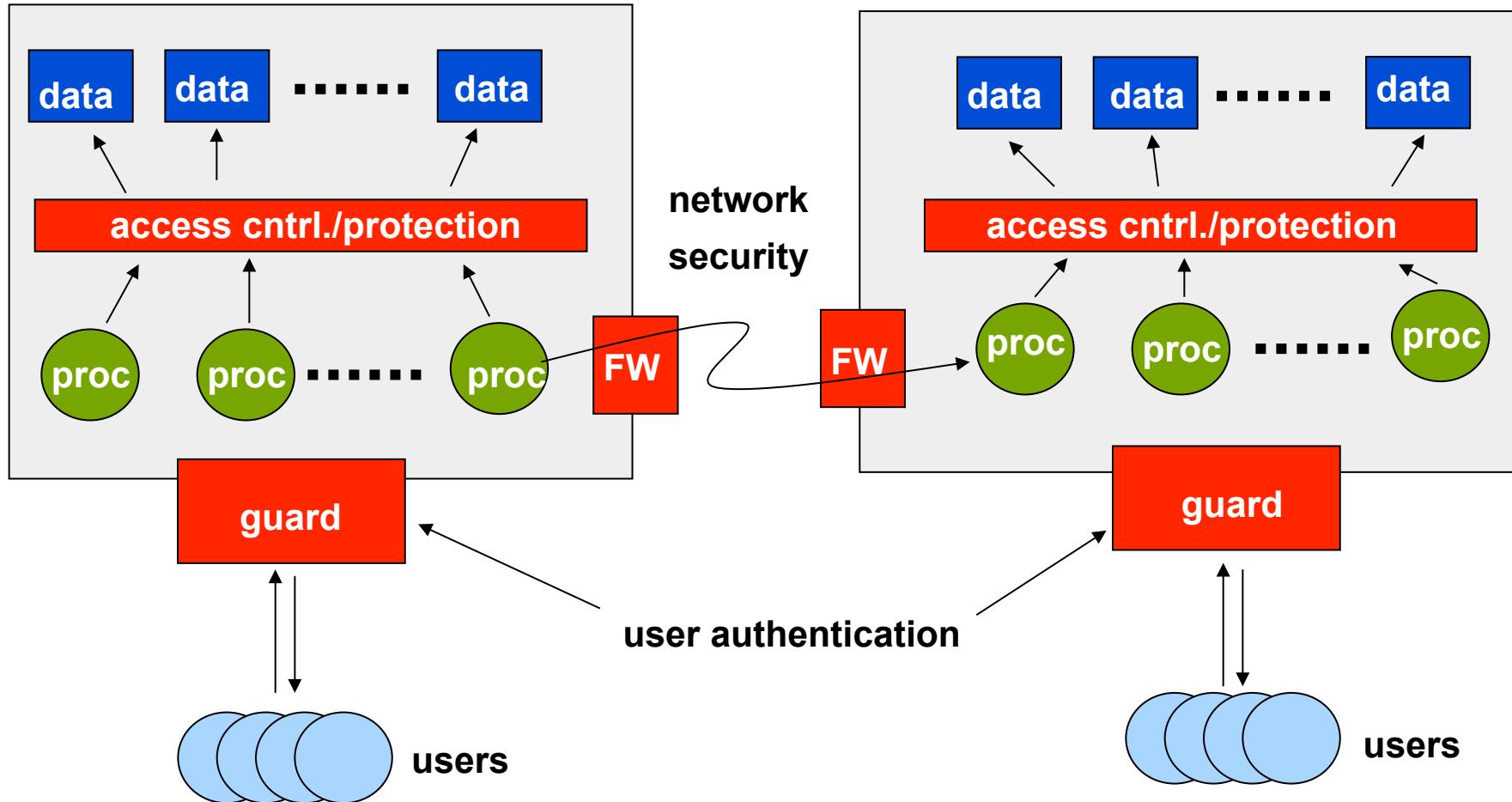


# structuring requirements

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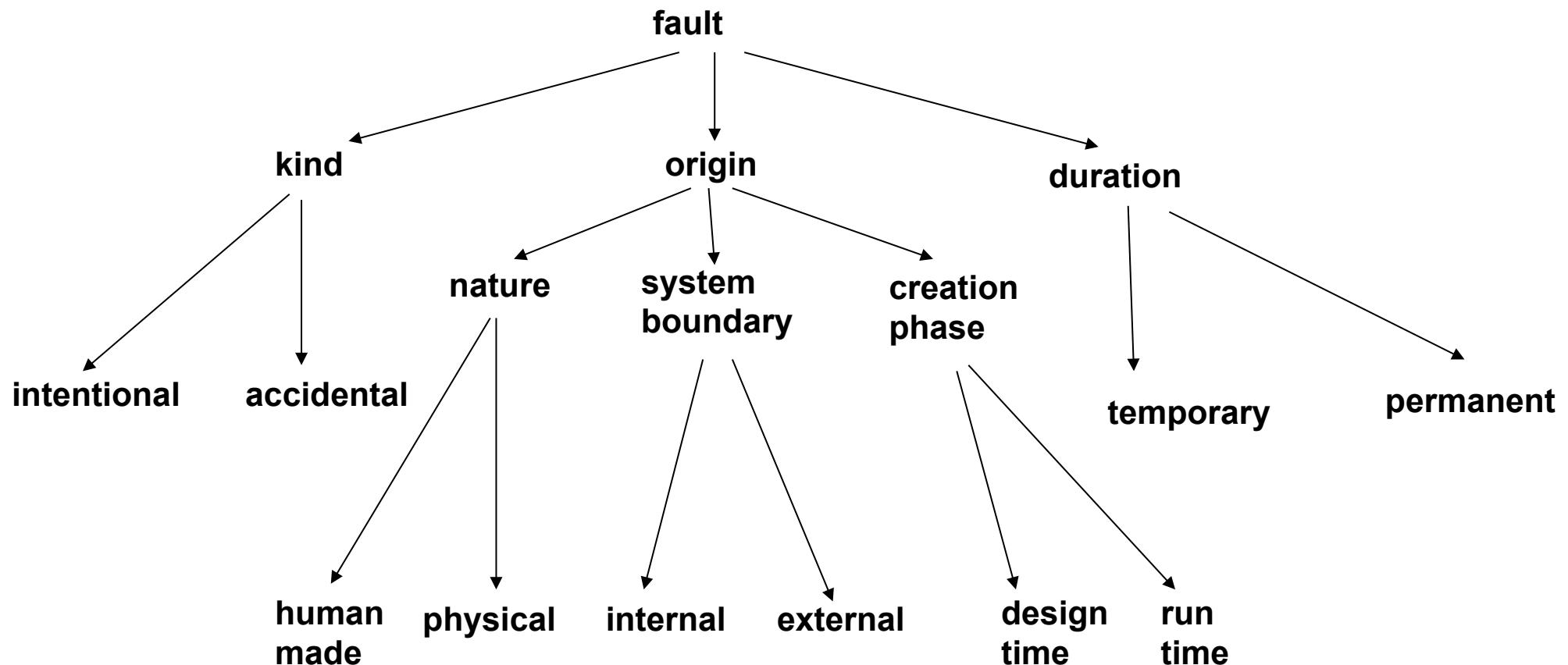


# system vulnerabilities



# classification of threats

a threat emerges from a fault in some system component or a fault by some user of the system



# classification of threats

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**example 1: threats caused by intentional (malicious), human-made faults**

| system boundary |          | creation phase |          | duration |       | threat          |
|-----------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------|-------|-----------------|
| internal        | external | desing time    | run time | perm.    | temp. |                 |
|                 | x        |                | x        | x        |       | Intrusion       |
|                 | x        |                | x        |          | x     | Intrusion       |
| x               |          |                | x        | x        |       | Virus           |
| x               |          | x              | x        | x        |       | Trojan Horse    |
| x               |          | x              |          | x        |       | malicious logic |



# classification of threats

## example 2: threats caused by accidental faults

| system boundary |          | creation phase |          | duration |       | threat                  |
|-----------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------|-------|-------------------------|
| internal        | external | desing time    | run time | perm.    | temp. |                         |
| physical        | x        |                | x        | x        | x     | denial of service       |
|                 | x        |                | x        | x        | x     | loss of integrity       |
|                 | x        |                | x        | x        | x     | loss of confidentiality |
| human made      | x        | x              |          | x        |       | loss of integrity       |
|                 | x        | x              |          | x        |       | loss of confidentiality |

by software or  
hardware design faults



# classification of adversaries

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- **occasional non-expert intruders**
- **expert insiders, unauthorized experienced hackers hacking the system**
- **expert insiders which have authorized access to the system**
- **espionage (military and company systems)**
- **sabotage (military, intelligence sevices, companies)**
- **higher forces: Fire, flood, earthquakes**
- **faults and bugs in the computer and the network**
- **just humans: e.g. disk with highly confidential data on the garbage etc.**



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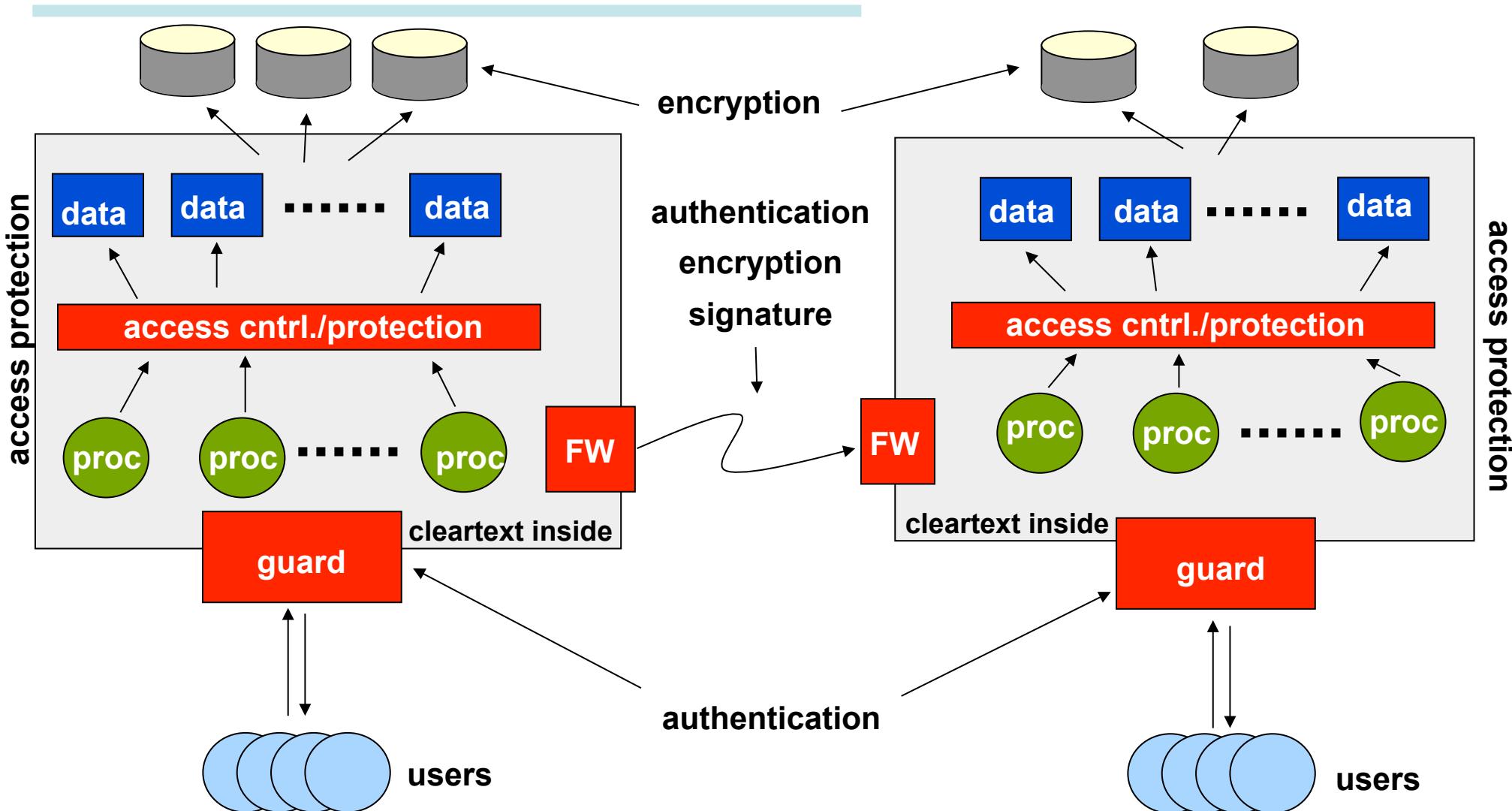
# Authentication

# Access Protection

# Encryption



# Encryption, authentication and access protection



# Definitions

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**Authentication:** Ensures that a user is the one she pretends to be. Authentication is based on a secret or on a non-forgable identifier. On a standard OS, authentication is enforced by the “Login” procedure.

On the OS-level, processes act on behalf of a user. A process usually obtains the privileges which are granted for the user.

**Access Protection:** Ensures that an authenticated users (or the processes acting on behalf of the user) only have access to exactly the items they are allowed to use. This is enforced by memory and file protection mechanisms.



# attacks from outside of the system

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## The login procedure

```
LBL>telnet elksi
ELXSI AT LBL
LOGIN: root
PASSWORD: root
INCORRECT PASSWORD, TRY AGAIN
LOGIN: guest
PASSWORD: guest
INCORRECT PASSWORD, TRY AGAIN
LOGIN: uucp
PASSWORD: uucp
WELCOME TO THE ELXSI COMPUTER AT LBL
```

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**Tabelle 15.2** Beobachtete Passwortlänge

| Länge  | Anzahl | Anteil an Gesamtheit |
|--------|--------|----------------------|
| 1      | 55     | 0,004                |
| 2      | 87     | 0,006                |
| 3      | 212    | 0,02                 |
| 4      | 449    | 0,03                 |
| 5      | 1.260  | 0,09                 |
| 6      | 3.035  | 0,22                 |
| 7      | 2.917  | 0,21                 |
| 8      | 5.772  | 0,42                 |
| Gesamt | 13.787 | 1,00                 |

From: William Stallings:Betriebssysteme, Prinzipien und Umsetzung, 4. Auflage, Pearson Studium, 2003



**Tabelle 15.3** Passwörter, die aus einer Probe von 13.797 Konten geknackt wurden [KLEI90]

| Passwortart              | Suchgröße | Anzahl der Treffer | Erratene Passwörter in Prozent |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Benutzer-/Kontoname      | 130       | 368                | 2,7%                           |
| Zeichenfolge             | 866       | 22                 | 0,2%                           |
| Zahlen                   | 427       | 9                  | 0,1%                           |
| Chinesisch               | 392       | 56                 | 0,4%                           |
| Ortsnamen                | 628       | 82                 | 0,6%                           |
| Gebräuchliche Namen      | 2,239     | 548                | 4,0%                           |
| Frauennamen              | 4,280     | 161                | 1,2%                           |
| Männernamen              | 2,866     | 140                | 1,0%                           |
| Ungewöhnliche Namen      | 4,955     | 130                | 0,9%                           |
| Mythen und Legenden      | 1,246     | 66                 | 0,5%                           |
| Shakespearesch           | 473       | 11                 | 0,1%                           |
| Sportbegriffe            | 238       | 32                 | 0,2%                           |
| Science-Fiction          | 691       | 59                 | 0,4%                           |
| Filme und Schauspieler   | 99        | 12                 | 0,1%                           |
| Comics                   | 92        | 9                  | 0,1%                           |
| Berühmte Menschen        | 290       | 55                 | 0,4%                           |
| Redewendungen und Muster | 933       | 253                | 1,8%                           |
| Nachnamen                | 33        | 9                  | 0,1%                           |

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| Biologie               | 58        | 1                  | 0,0%                           |
| Wörterbuch des Systems | 19.683    | 1.027              | 7,4%                           |
| Rechnernamen           | 9.018     | 132                | 1,0%                           |
| Mnemonik               | 14        | 2                  | 0,0%                           |
| King James-Bibel       | 7.525     | 83                 | 0,6%                           |
| Verschiedene Wörter    | 3.212     | 54                 | 0,4%                           |
| Jiddische Wörter       | 56        | 0                  | 0,0%                           |
| Asterioide             | 2.407     | 19                 | 0,1%                           |
| GESAMT                 | 62.727    | 3.340              | 24,2%                          |



# passwd security

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/etc/passwd holds a list of <name, encoded passwd>

passwd guessing: prepare a list of common passwd, encoded passwd

read the /etc/passwd from some computer

compare encoded passwd

on match > store <name, passwd>

salt: create entries: <name, random number, encoded passwd>

to obtain a match, the cracker has to generate  $b^n$  ( $b=\text{base}$   
 $n=\text{exponent}$ ) versions of each passwd.

better passwd: longer names, not in a dictionary, numbers, special characters

one-time passwd: only used once. (Lamports algorithm to generate the list)



# Def. One-Way-Function

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## Definition: One-Way Function

Informally, a function  $f$  is a one-way function if

1. The description of  $f$  is publicly known and does not require any secret information for its operation.
2. Given  $x$ , it is easy to compute  $f(x)$ .
3. Given  $y$ , in the range of  $f$ , it is hard to find an  $x$  such that  $f(x) = y$

More precisely, any efficient algorithm solving a [P-problem](#) succeeds in inverting  $f$  with negligible probability.

The existence of one-way functions is not proven. If true, it would imply  $P \neq NP$ . Therefore, it would answer the [complexity theory NP-problem](#) question of whether all apparently NP-problems are actually P-problems. Yet a number of conjectured one-way functions are routinely used in commerce and industry. For example, it is conjectured, but not proved, that the following are one-way functions:

1. Factoring problem for randomly chosen primes  $p, q$ .
2. Discrete logarithm problem. (given  $b \pmod p$  and  $b^n \pmod p$  find  $n$ )
3. Discrete root extraction problem. This is the function commonly known as [RSA encryption](#).
4. Quadratic residue problem.

Used e.g. in password encryption, Public Key Cryptography, Digital Signatures, ...



Scientific American August 1977, Martin Gardner, Column "Mathematische Spiele".  
He claimed that it would take "millions of years" to break the code.

**N=**114 318 625 757 888 867 669 235 779 976 146 612 010 218 296 721 242 362 562  
561 842 935 706 935 245 733 897 839 597 123 563 958 705 058 989 075 147 599  
290 026 879 543 541

26.November 1994 the factors were found by a group of 600 volunteers. **426 bits, Range:  $10^{129}$**

**N =** 3490529510847650949147849619903898133417764638493387843990820577  
x 32769132993266709549961988190834461413177642967992942539798288533

Smallest not yet factored product of two primes (Dec. 2011):

**RSA-210=**2452466449002782119765176635730880184670267876783327597434144517150616008300  
3858721695220839933207154910362682719167986407977672324300560059203563124656  
1218465817904100131859299619933817012149335034875870551067 **696 Bits, Range:  $10^{210}$**

**RSA-704 (704 Bits, 212 decimal digits).... a cash prize of US\$30,000 was offered for a successful factorization**



# One-time password

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Initialize with  $P_0 = f(P_1)$

$$P_1 = f(f(f(f(s))))$$

$$P_2 = f(f(f(s)))$$

$$P_3 = f(f(s))$$

$$P_4 = f(s)$$

It is only possible to calculate  
an old, already used password.

$P_{n-1}$  is  
easy to  
calculate

$P_{n+1}$  is  
difficult to  
calculate

Only the user knows the secret  $s$ .

$P_0$  is stored in the (server-) computer.

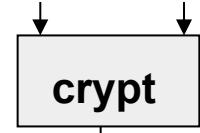
$P_n$  is given by the user. The system applies the function  $f$   $n$  times and compares  
the result with  $P_0$ . If it matches, login is granted.



# Password mechanisms in Unix

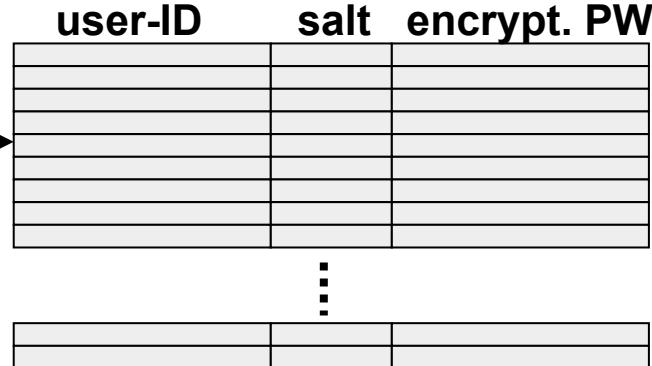
Passwd salt

56 Bit 12 Bit



etc/passwd

LOAD



user-ID, passwd

user-ID salt encrypt. PW

crypt

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# more authentication

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## challenge-response

### chip card + PIN

magnetic (~ 140 Bytes, costs 0,1 -0,5 €)

memory cards (~1 KB, ~1 €)

smart cards ( 8bit CPU, 16 KB ROM, 4 KB EEPROM, 512 Bytes RAM,  
9600 bps communication channel)

## biometric authentication



# Security and access protection in W2K

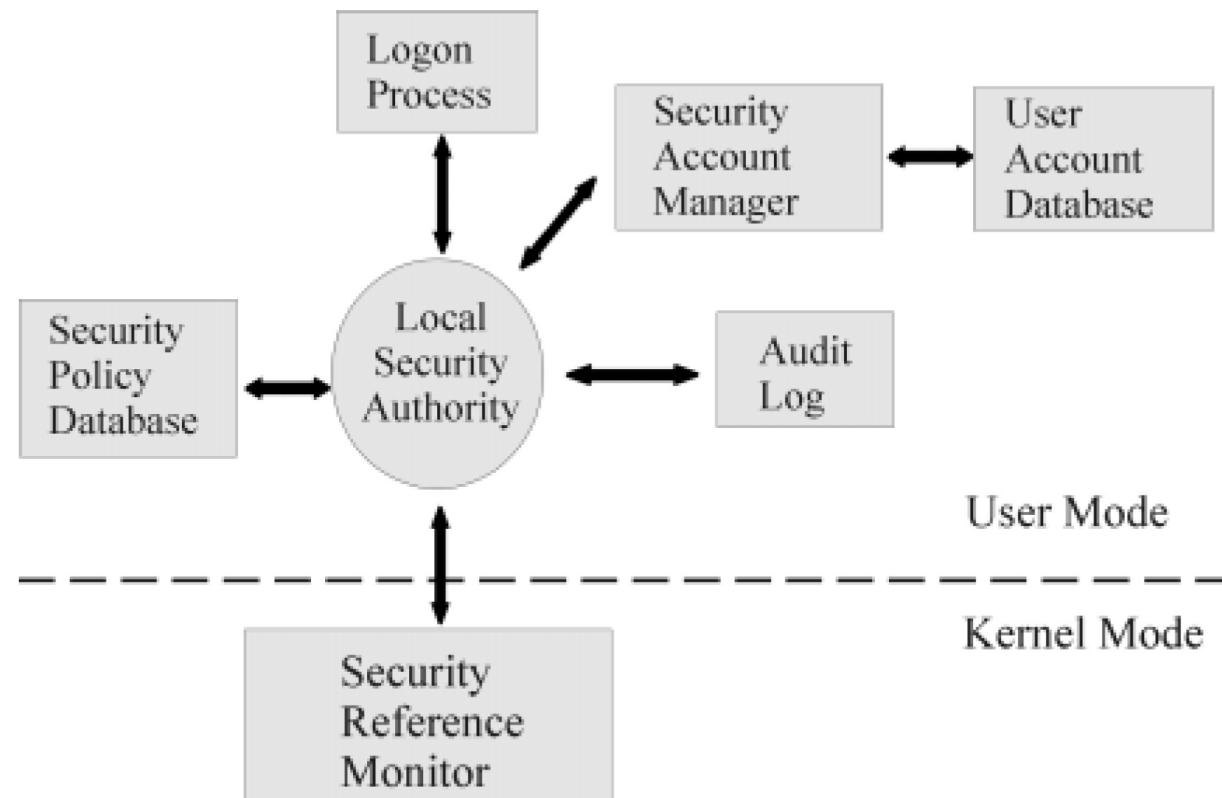
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- secure login and antispoofing
- discretionary access control
- privileged access control
- process address space protection
- prevention of data leaks by zeroing all new pages before loading
- security auditing



# overall NT security model

[http://www.ciac.org/ciac/documents/CIAC-2317\\_Windows\\_NT\\_Managers\\_Guide.pdf](http://www.ciac.org/ciac/documents/CIAC-2317_Windows_NT_Managers_Guide.pdf)



NT is C2 certified



# Local Security Authority - LSA

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The LSA is the heart of the security subsystem. It has the responsibility of validating local and remote logons to all types of accounts. It accomplishes this by verifying the logon information from the SAM database. It also provides the following services:

- Checks user access permissions to the system
- Generates access tokens during the logon process
- Manages local security policies
- Provides user validation and authentication
- Controls the auditing policy
- Logs audit messages generated by the SRM



# The Security Account Manager - SAM

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## **The Security Account Manager:**

- manages the User Account Database which comprises all user and group account information.
- provides user validation services which are used by the LSA, and are transparent to the user.
- responsible for checking logon input against the SAM database and returning a secure identifier (SID) for the user, as well as a SID for each group to which the user belongs.
- creates an access token on user logon which includes the SID information along with the user's name and associated groups.

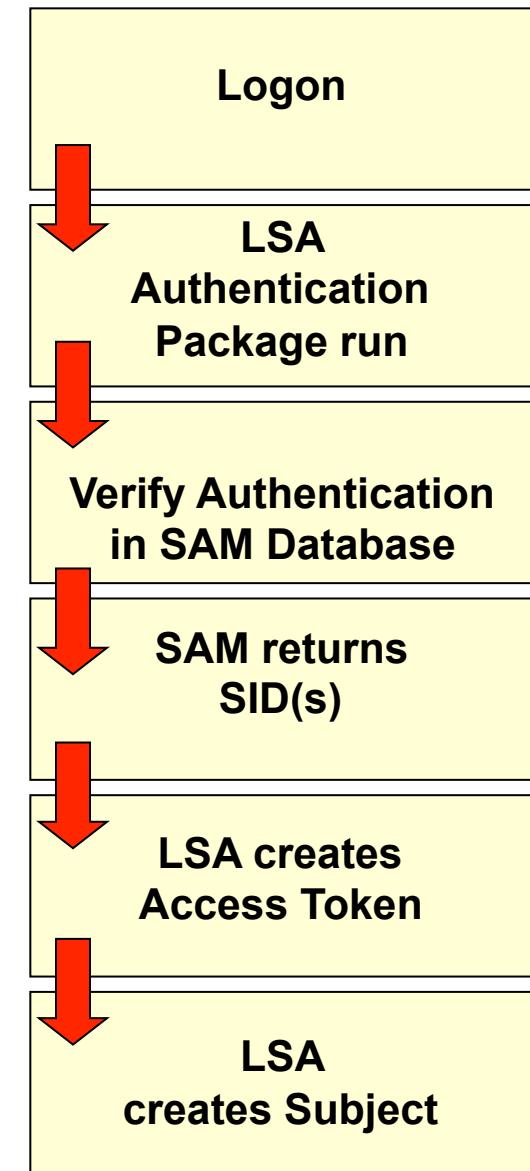
**From this point on, every process that runs under this user's account will have a copy of the access token. When a user requests access to an object, a comparison is made between the SID from the access token and the object's access permissions list to validate that the user has the correct permissions to access the object.**



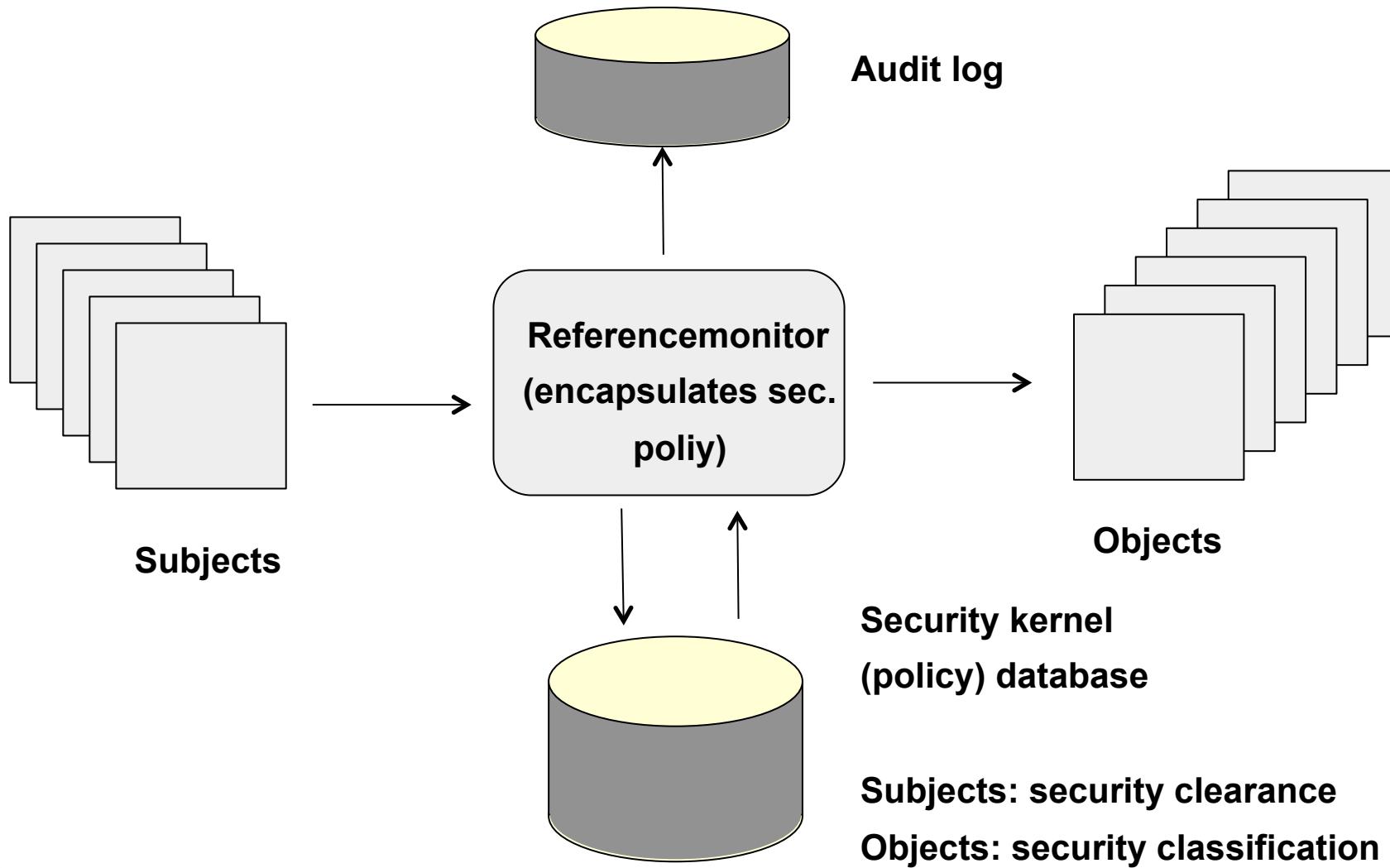
# NT logon process

Windows NT logon processes provide mandatory logon for user identification and cannot be disabled.

To protect against spoofing, the logon process begins with a Welcome message box that requests the user to press Ctrl, Alt and Del keys before activating the actual logon screen.



# The Security Reference Monitor - SRM



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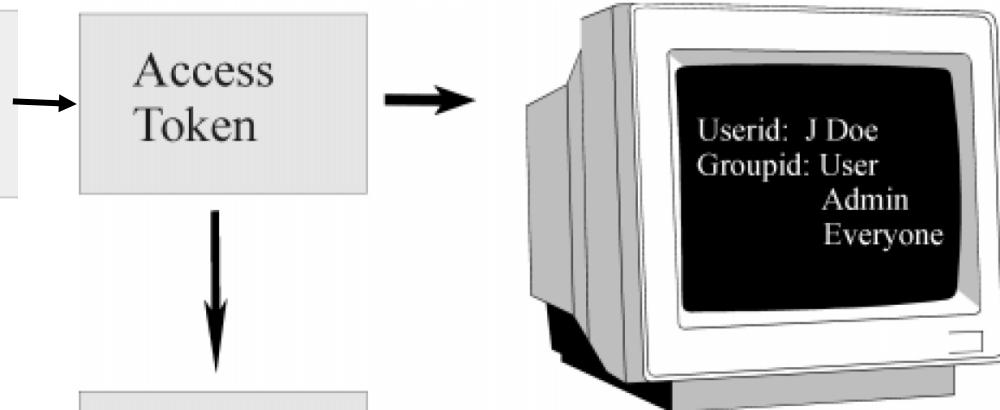
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The steps used to determine user access to objects are as follows:

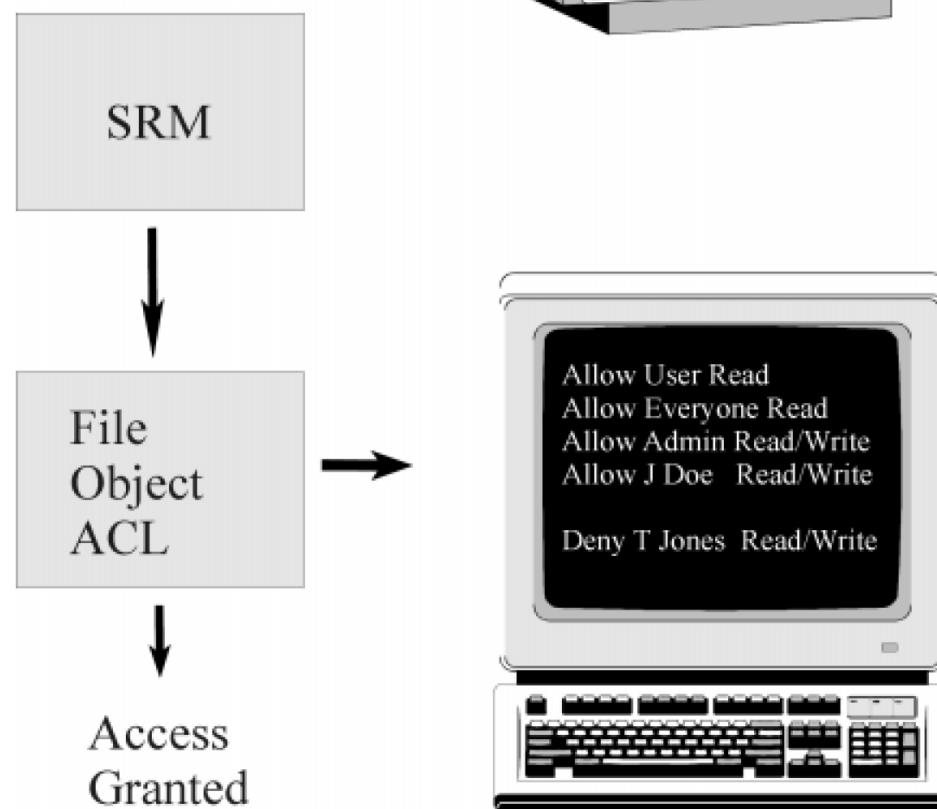
1. When access to an object is requested, a comparison is made between the file's security descriptor and the SID information stored in the user's access token. The user will obtain access to the object given sufficient rights. The security descriptor is made up of all the Access Control Entries (ACE) included in the object's Access Control List (ACL).
2. When the object has an ACL, the SRM checks each ACE in the ACL to determine if access to the object is granted. If the object has no ACL associated with it, SRM automatically allows access to everyone. If the object has an ACL with no ACEs, all access requests to that object will be denied.
3. After the SRM grants access to the object, continued validation checks are not needed to access the particular object. Any future access to the object is obtained by the use of a handle which was created when the access was initially validated.



LSA creates access token and subject (via SID)



## SRM access validation



# W2K Security Structures

**access token**

→ owned by a process

**Security ID (SID)**

**group SID**

**special rights**

**default owner**

**default ACL**

**security descriptor**

→ points to the security structures

**flags**

**owner**

**SACL (System ACL)**

**DACL (Discretionary ACL)**

**access control list**

→ contains access info

**ACL Header**

**ACE Header**

**access mask**

**SID**

**ACE Header**

**access mask**

**SID**

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# the access token

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| header | expir.<br>time | groups | standard<br>DACL | owner<br>SID | group<br>SID | restricted<br>IDs | privileges |
|--------|----------------|--------|------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|--------|----------------|--------|------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|

**Security ID (SID):** The SID is a **variable length unique name** (alphanumeric character string) that is used to identify an object, such as a user or a group of users in a network of NT/2000 systems.

**Expiration time:** defines validity interval for the access token (currently not used)

**Discretionary Access Control List (D ACL):** Default ACL when they are created by a process and no other ACL is specified.

**Owner/group SID:** indicates the user/group who owns the process.

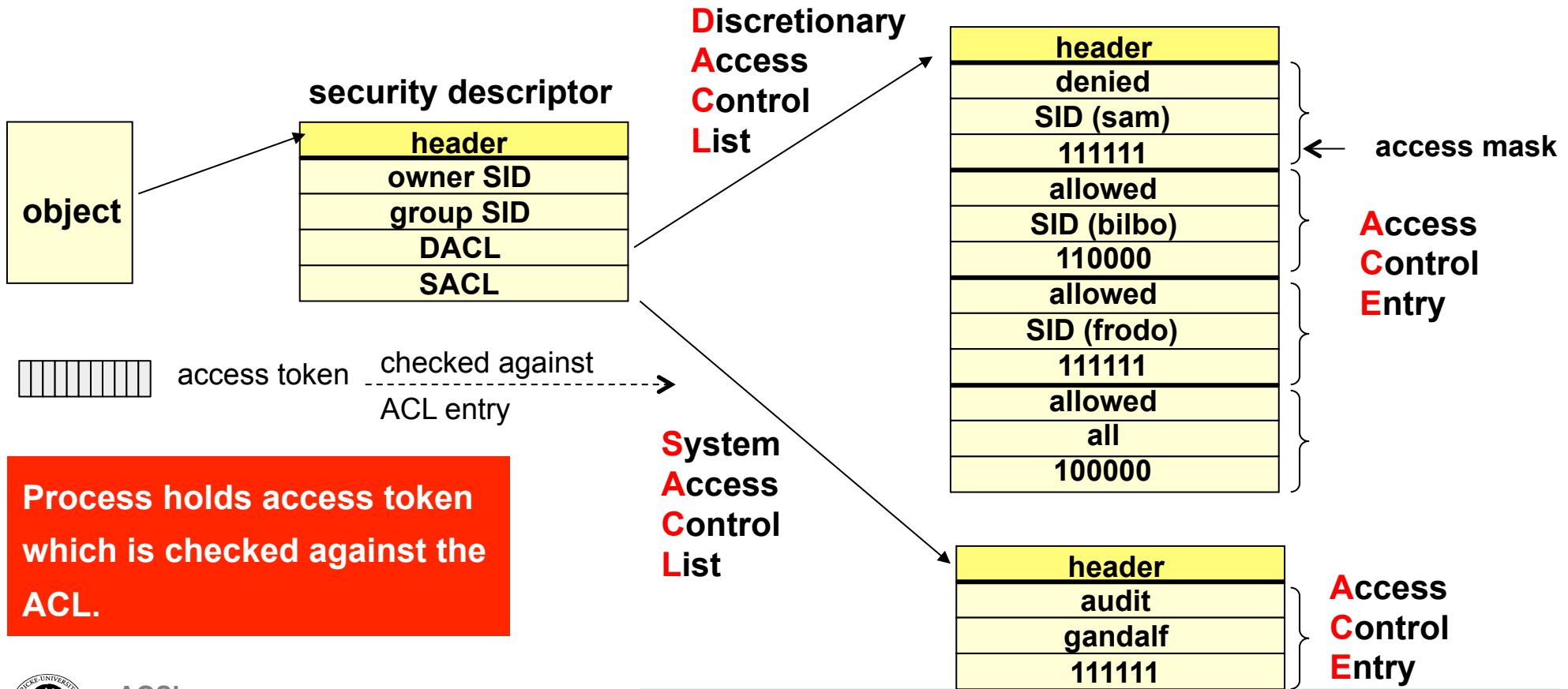
**Restricted SID:** enables the cooperation of trusted and non-trusted processes by constraining access for the latter.

**Privileges:** enable to define "admin rights" in a more fine-grained fashion and associate these with user processes.

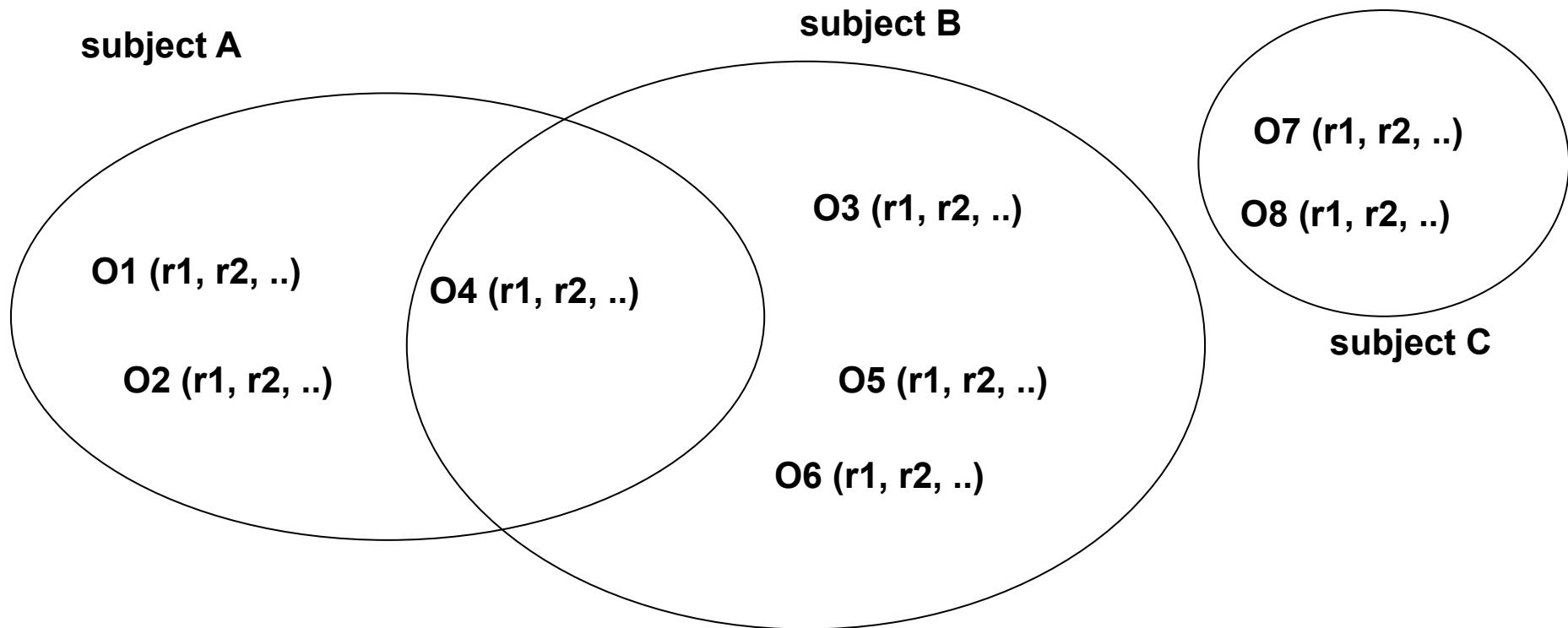


# the security descriptor

- is associated with every object
- defines who may access the object with which operation



# Access control models and least privilege



**Protection Domains** define the access relations between

Active system components: **Subjects**, e.g. users, processes,.. and

Passive system components: **Objects**, e.g. files, devices, ...



# The model of access protection

Lampson's model:

paper "Protection" first appeared in *Proc. 5th Princeton Conf. on Information Sciences and Systems*, Princeton, 1971, p 437.

entities are distinguished as:

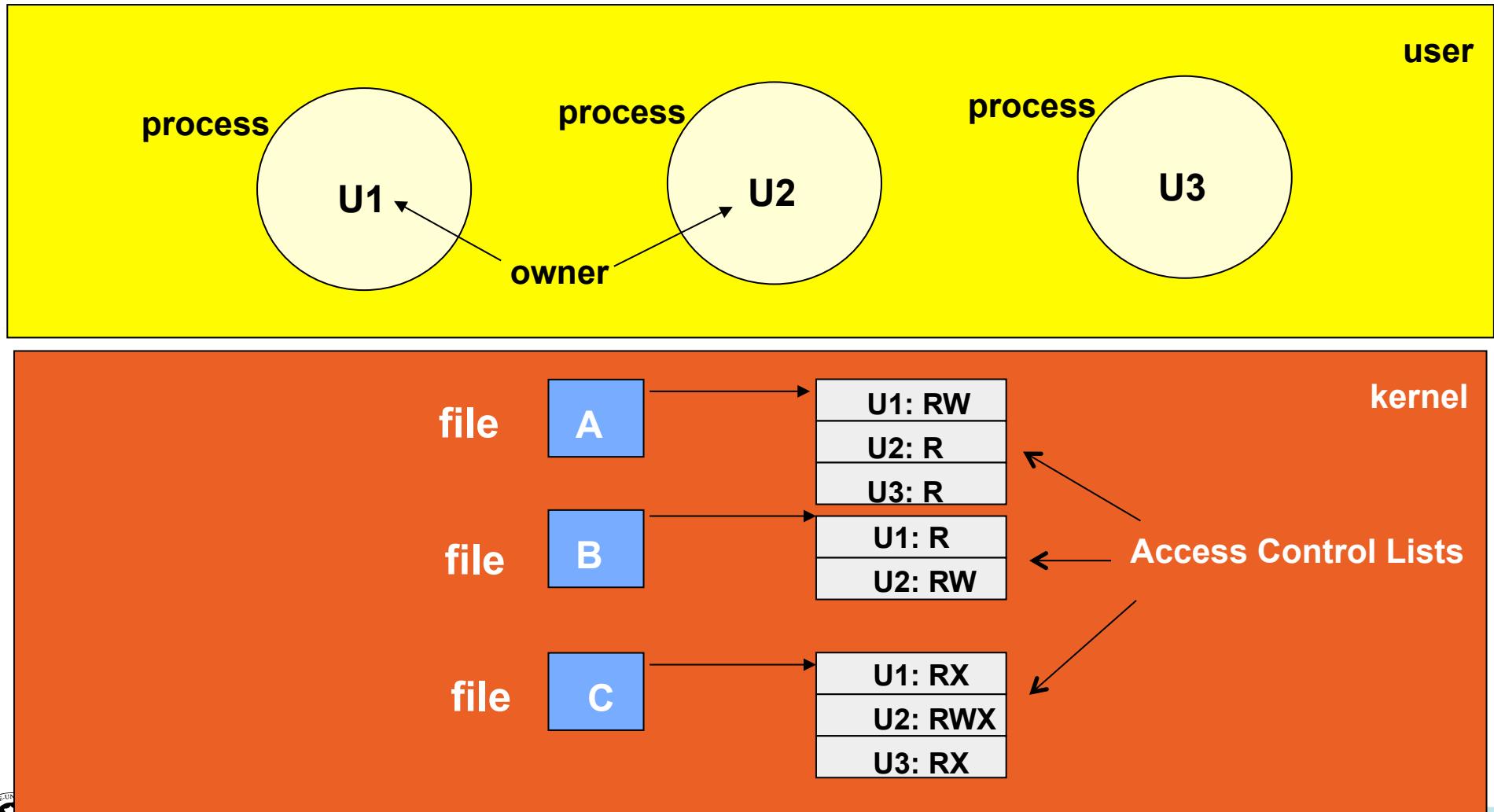
**subjects**, taking the active role in the system, and

**objects**, that are passive entities

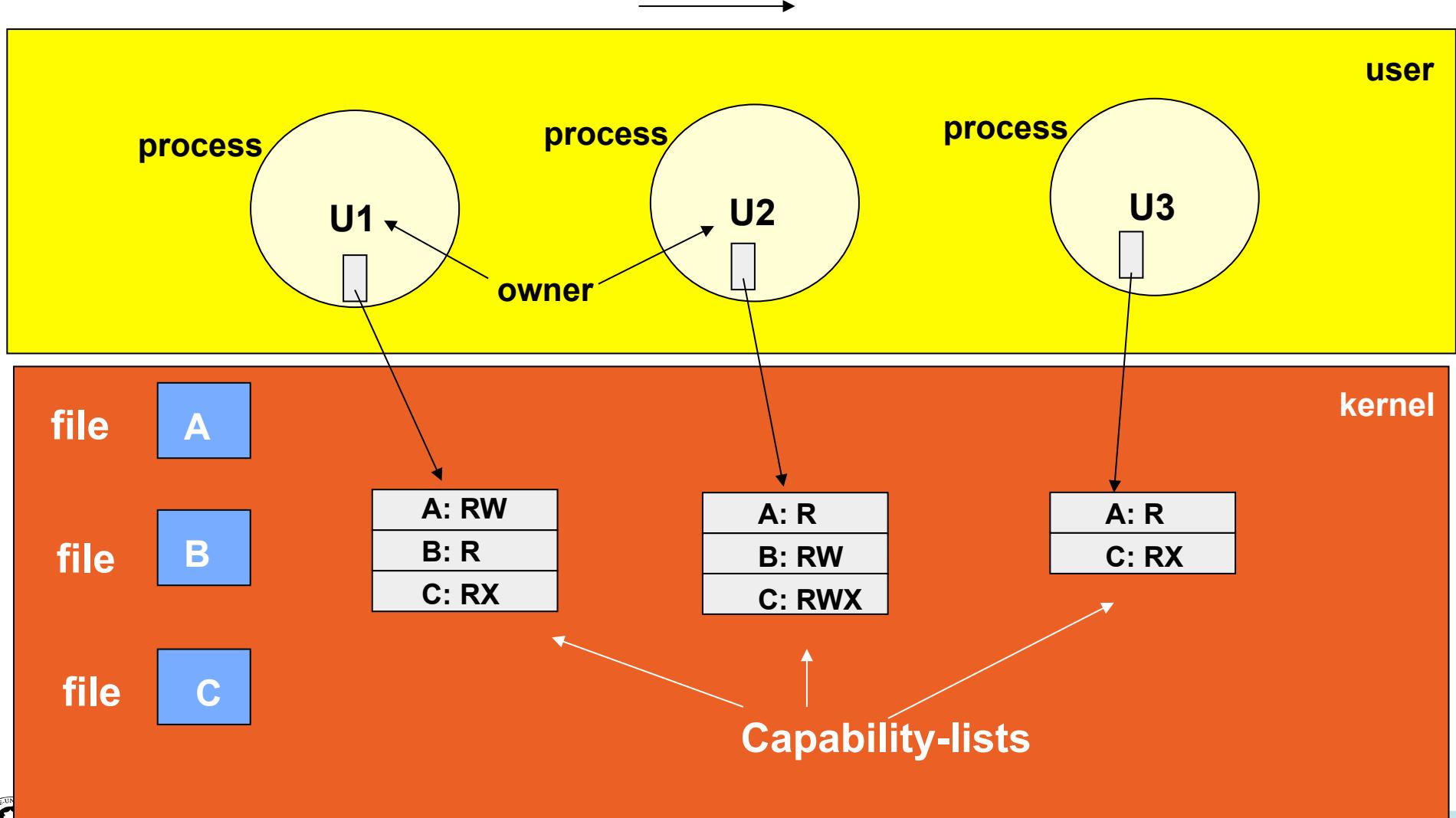
|          |       | capability list for $s_3$ |               |               |               |  |               |
|----------|-------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--|---------------|
| subjects |       | $s_1$                     | $s_2$         | $s_3$         | $s_k$         |  | $s_n$         |
| objects  | $o_1$ | $R(o_1, s_1)$             | $R(o_1, s_2)$ | $R(o_1, s_3)$ | $R(o_1, s_k)$ |  | $R(o_1, s_n)$ |
|          | $o_2$ | $R(o_2, s_1)$             | $R(o_2, s_2)$ | $R(o_2, s_3)$ | $R(o_2, s_k)$ |  | $R(o_2, s_n)$ |
|          | $o_j$ | $R(o_j, s_1)$             | $R(o_j, s_2)$ | $R(o_j, s_3)$ | $R(o_j, s_k)$ |  | $R(o_j, s_n)$ |
|          | $o_m$ | $R(o_m, s_1)$             | $R(o_m, s_2)$ | $R(o_m, s_3)$ | $R(o_m, s_k)$ |  | $R(o_m, s_n)$ |
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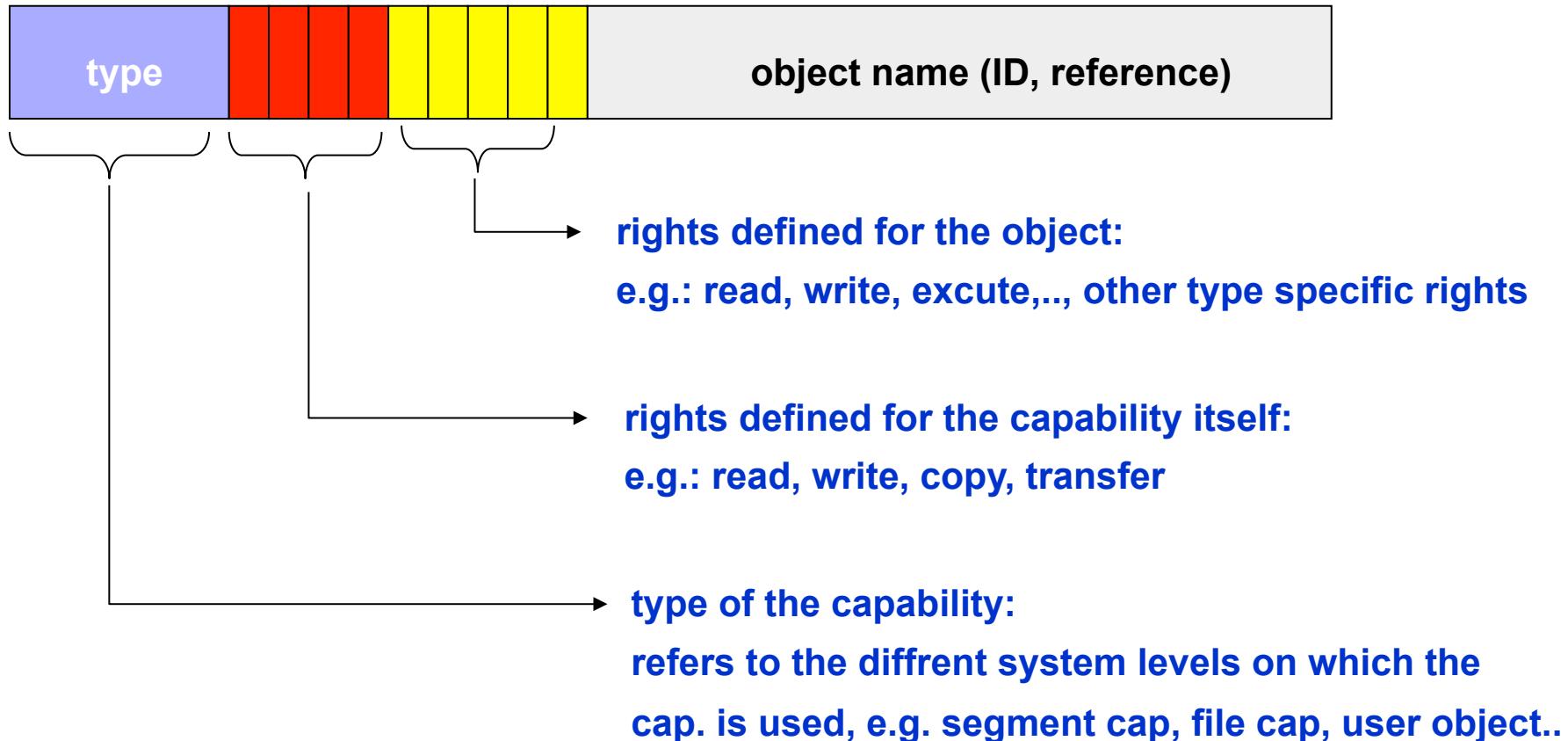
# Access Control List (ACL)



# Capability List (C-List)



# structure of a capability



# Discussion:

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how to protect capabilities?

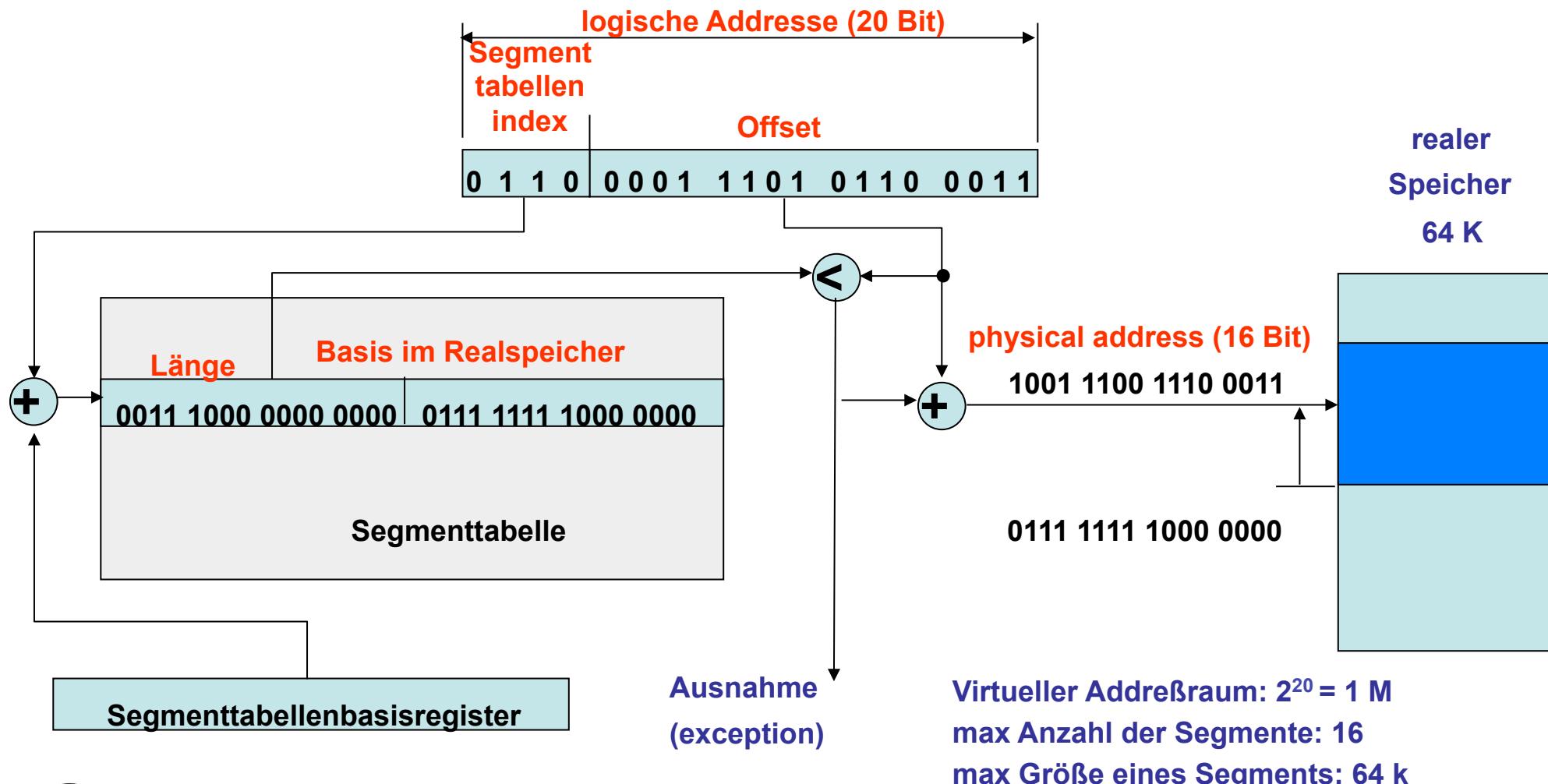
Tagging  
Separation  
Encryption  
Sparse name space

More Problems:

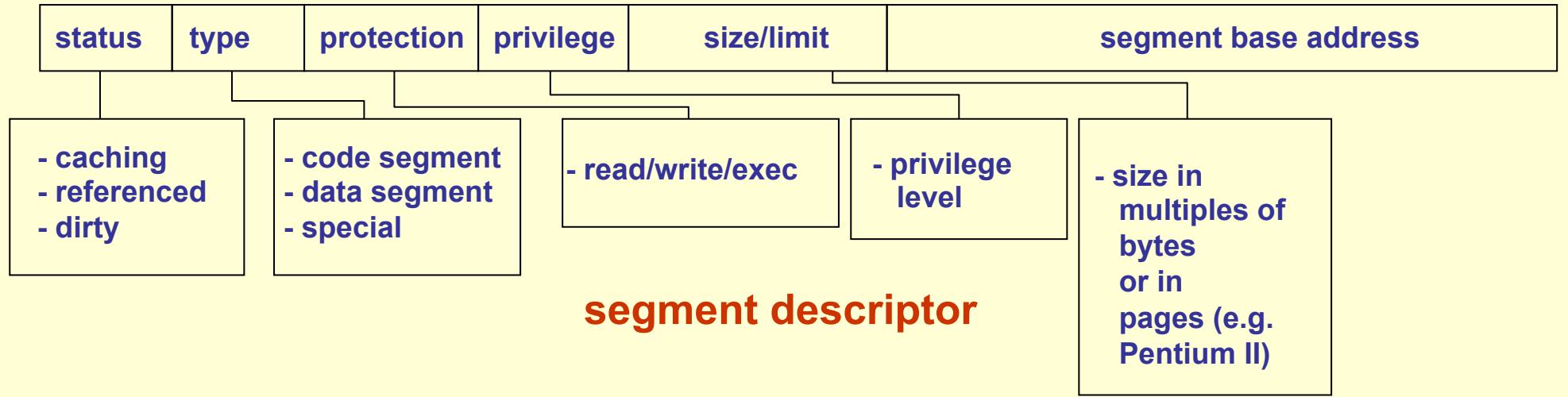
Controlling and confining capability transfer.  
Revocation of rights  
(contradiction of terms according to Roger Needham (1992))



# Segmentierter Speicher - Adreßumsetzung



# memory protection



# Discussion: ACL vs. C-Lists

|                        | ACL             | C-List                            |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| General mechanism      | list based      | ticket based                      |
| Authentication         | every access    | on capability creation            |
| Addressability         | unrestricted    | confined to objects in the C-List |
| Referencing of objects | extra mechanism | combined mechanism                |
| Transfer of rights     | not possible    | regulated by specific rights      |
| Revocation of rights   | easy            | problem (possibly not desirable)  |
| Granularity of objects | large objects   | small objects                     |



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# what cryptography can do for security

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**Useful for transmission and storage of data !!**

**Confidentiality**

encryption of data

**Integrity**

encryption, digital signatures

**Authenticity**

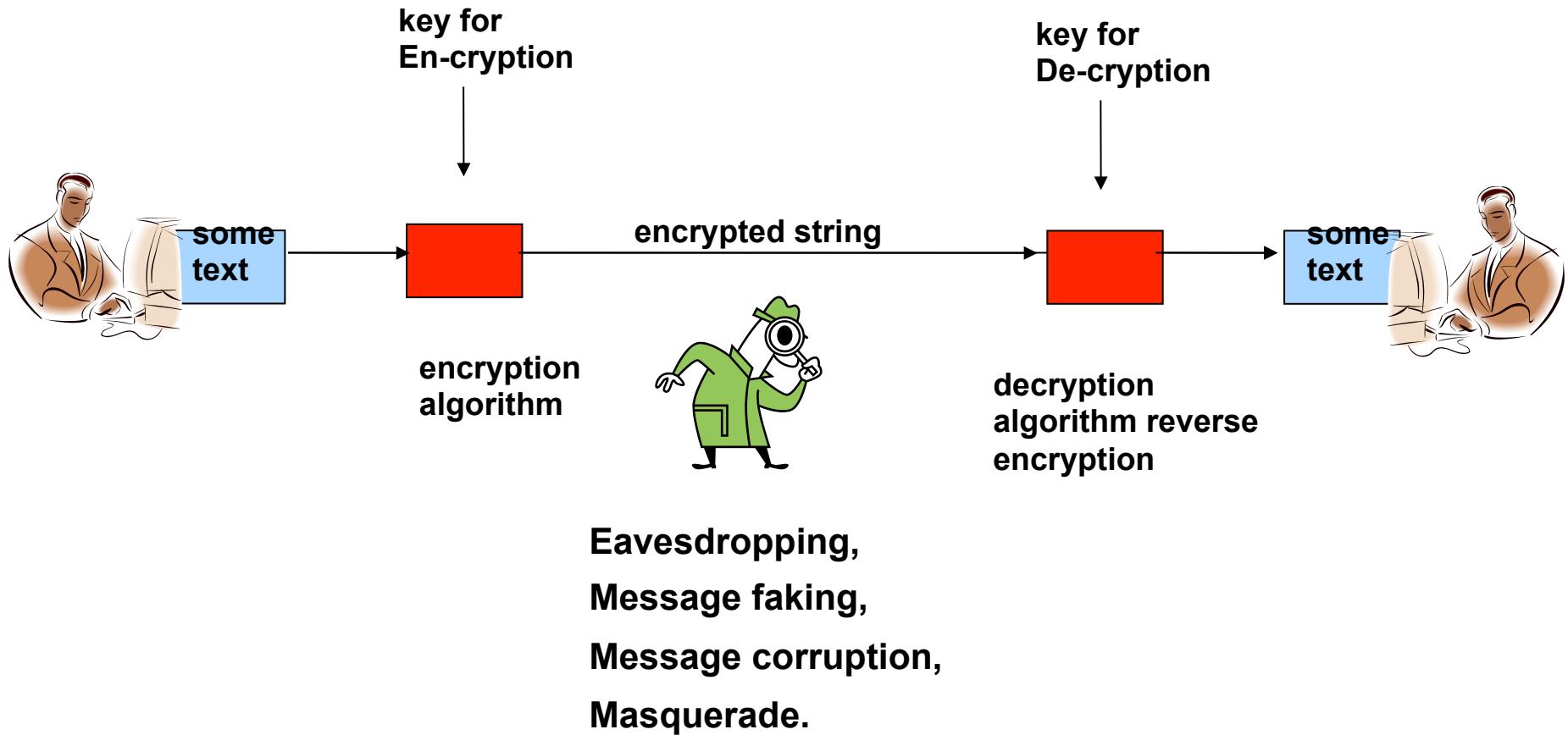
encryption of authentication information

**Mechanisms:**

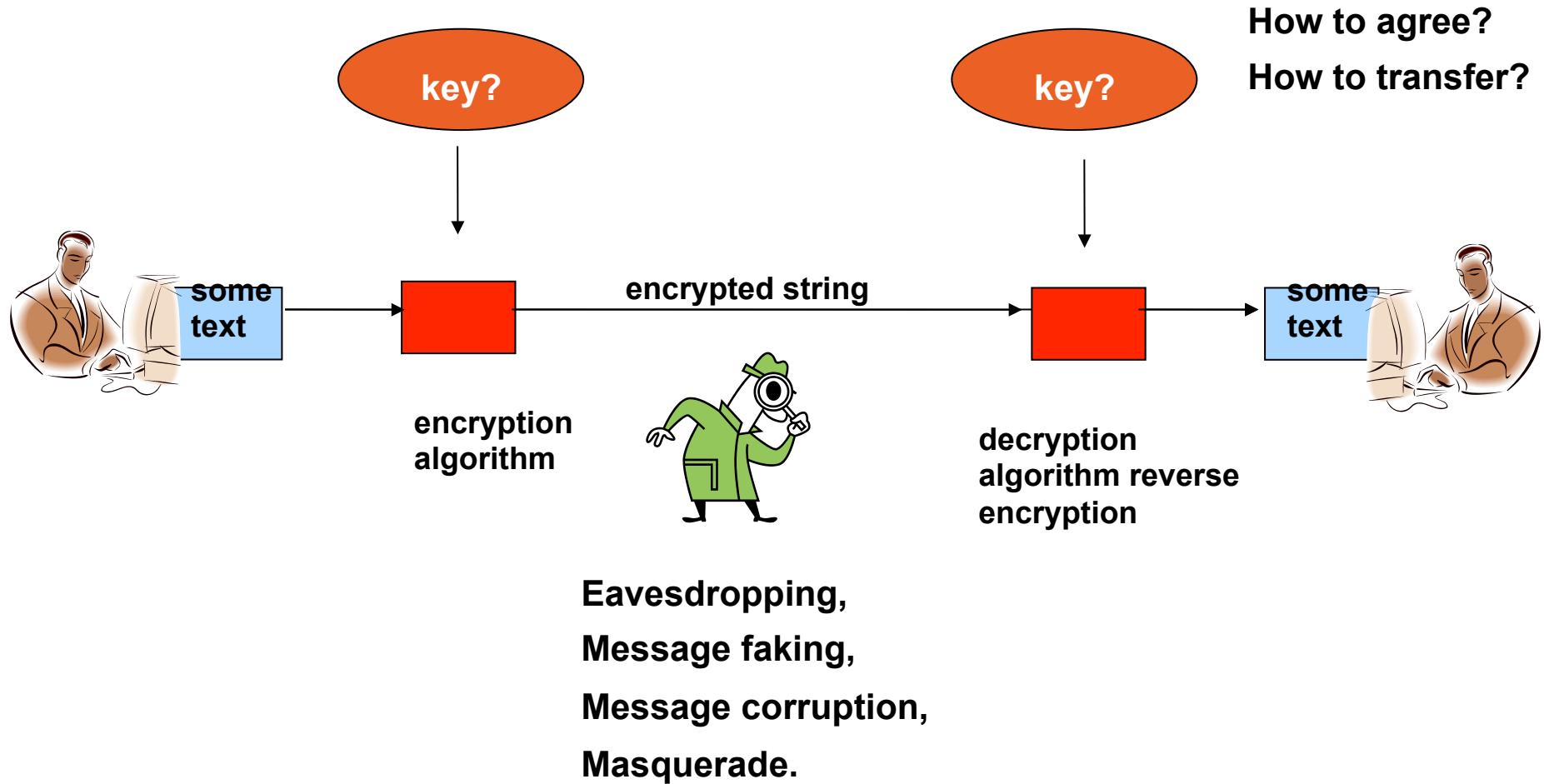
- one-way functions
- cryptographic hash functions
- symmetric cryptosystems with a secret key (DES)
- asymmetric cryptosystems with a combination of public/secret key



# Securing the data transfer



# Securing the data transfer



**So far:**

**How to create a key not  
exchanging a secret?**

→ **Merkle, Hellman, Diffie**



**How to simplify key exchange  
and distribution?**

**Idea: Whitfield Diffie  
→ solved by Rivest,  
Shamir, Adleman**



**Sicherer Schlüsselaustausch ohne physisches Treffen. Unmöglich??**

**Idee Martin Hellman (1976) (Diffie-Hellman-Merkle-Verfahren).**

**Sicheres vereinbaren von Schlüsseln- kein Austausch einen Geheimnisses.**

**Entsprechung: Schlüssel in Kiste legen. Kiste mit einem Schloss versehen, an Adressaten schicken. Adressat bringt weiteres Schloss an und schickt die Kiste zurück. Eigenes Schloss wird entfernt und Kiste wieder an Adressaten. Der kann nun sein Schloss entfernen, die Kiste öffnen und den Schlüssel entnehmen. Folgende Kisten müssen nur noch mit dem entsprechenden Schloss gesichert sein.**

**Problem: Vereinbarung von Schlüsseln erfolgt synchron mit einem konkreten Partner. umständlich, mehrere Nachrichten müssen ausgetauscht werden, Partner muss gemäß des Protokolls antworten.**

**Symmetrischer Schlüssel, d.h. ver- und entschlüsseln wird mit demselben Schlüssel durchgeführt.**



## Public-Key Verfahren:

Idee: Whitfield Diffie

**Asymmetrischer Schlüssel. Ver- und Entschlüsselung mit unterschiedlichen Schlüsseln.**

**Öffentlicher Schlüssel zum Verschlüsseln, Privater Schlüssel zum Entschlüsseln.**

**Entsprechung: Jeder der eine Nachricht an A bekommt eine Menge von Schnappschlössern.**

**Nur A hat den entsprechenden Schlüssel. Wenn das Schnappschloss eingerastet ist, kann nur A die Kiste öffnen.**

**Gesucht: eine Einwegfunktion, die eine solche Asymmetrie unterstützt. Sie muss sich z.B leicht umkehren lassen (Falltürfunktion) z.B. im Gegensatz zu Passwd-Verschlüsselung.**

**Erste Veröffentlichung der Idee: 1975 (Diffie)**

**Rivest 1977 hat die Idee. Unter RSA veröffentlicht (Ronald Rivest, Adi Shamir, Leonard Adleman)**

**Verschlüsselung:  $C = K^e \pmod{(p \cdot q)}$**  Alice ist bekannt sind: p, q, e und K  
**Öffentlich sind:  $N = p \cdot q$  und e**

**Entschlüsselung:  $K = C^d \pmod{(p \cdot q)}$**

**d berechnet sich aus e, p, q mit:  $d \cdot e = 1 \pmod{\varphi N} = 1 \pmod{((p-1) \cdot (q-1))}$**



# Def. Cryptographic Hash-Function

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A **hash function  $H$**  is a transformation that takes an input  $m$  and returns a fixed-size string, which is called the hash value  $h$  (that is,  $h = H(m)$ ). Hash functions with just this property have a variety of general computational uses, but when employed in cryptography, the hash functions are usually chosen to have some additional properties.

The basic requirements for a **cryptographic hash function** are as follows.

The input can be of any length.

The output has a fixed length.

$H(x)$  is relatively easy to compute for any given  $x$ .

$H(x)$  is one-way.

$H(x)$  is collision-free.

A hash function  $H$  is said to be **one-way** if it is hard to invert, where ``hard to invert'' means that given a hash value  $h$ , it is computationally infeasible to find some input  $x$  such that  $H(x) = h$ .

If, given a string  $x$ , it is computationally infeasible to find a string  $y$  not equal to  $x$  such that  $H(x) = H(y)$ , then  $H$  is said to be a **weakly collision-free** hash function.

A **strongly collision-free** hash function  $H$  is one for which it is computationally infeasible to find any two strings  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $H(x) = H(y)$ .

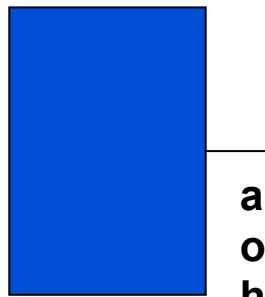
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(<http://www.rsasecurity.com/rsalabs/node.asp?id=2176>)



# Example: Digital Signatures

original document  
(string of characters)



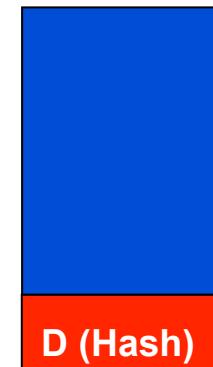
apply  
one-way  
hash function

fixed length  
hash value

Hash

apply  
private key

D (Hash)



- Receiver calculates the hash value for the document string.
- Receiver applies the public key of the sender  $E(D(\text{Hash}))$  to obtain Hash. \*
- Then both values are compared and must match.

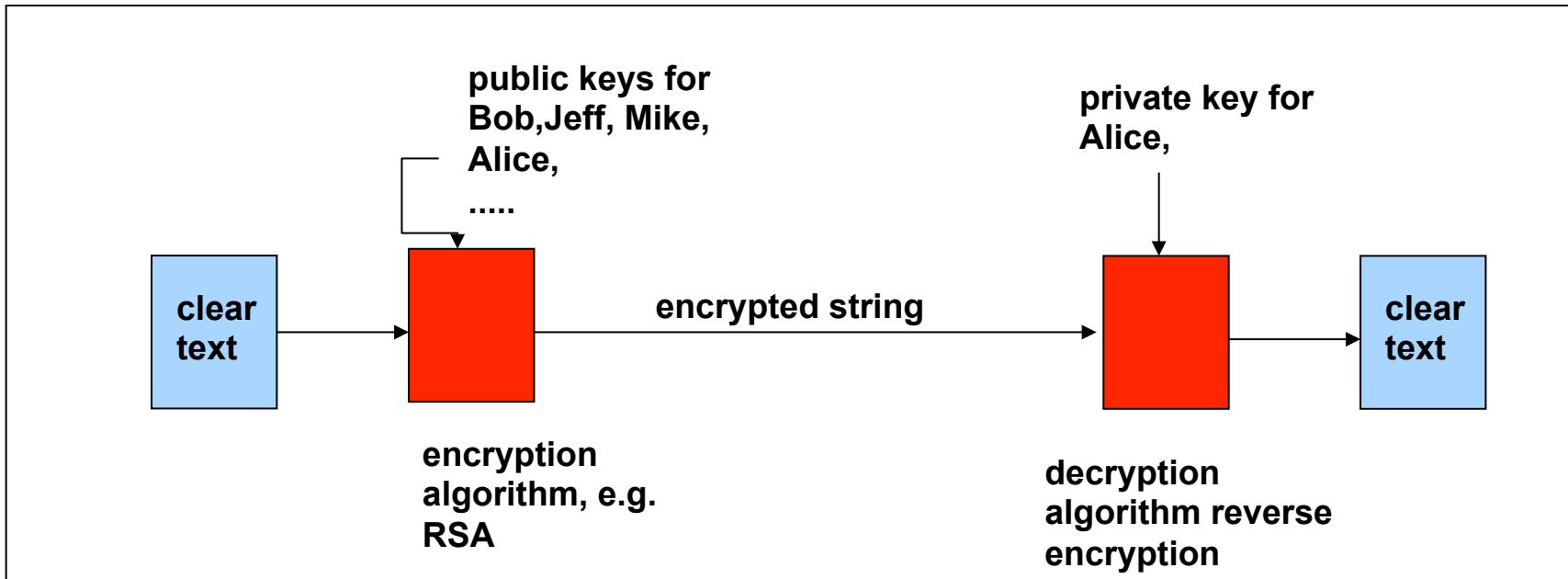
\*Note: it is required that  $E(D(\text{Hash})) = \text{Hash} = D(E(\text{Hash}))$  !!! This is not true for all encoding functions!

What has to be guaranteed:

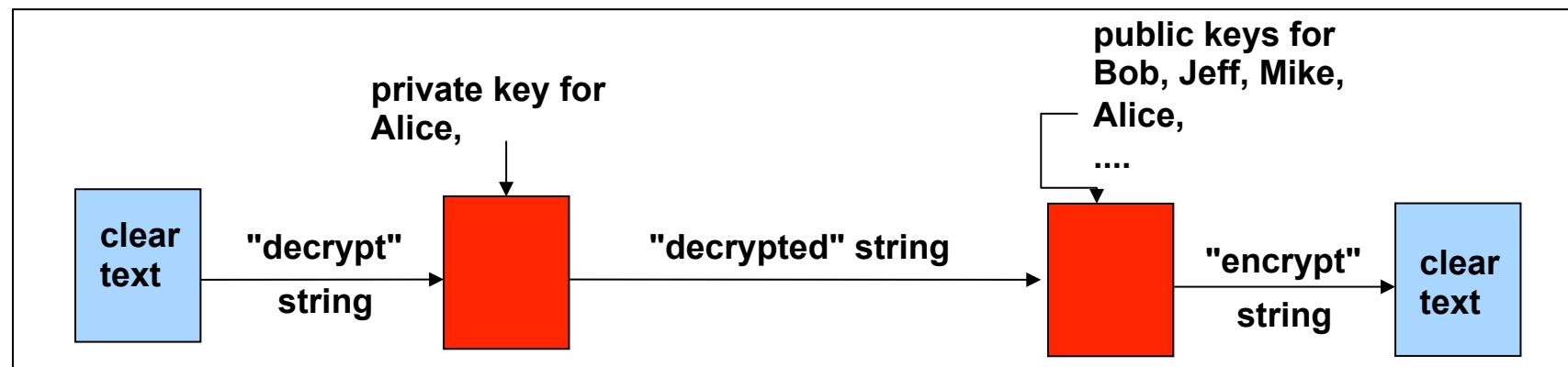
1. Integrity of document: this can be checked because the document cannot be changed without changing the hash function ("weakly collision" free property)
2. Authentication of sender: if the document AND the hash value are changed, then applying the public key of the sender to  $(D(\text{Hash}))$  will not deliver a correct result.



# Public key and Digital Signatures



**Public Key:**  
document can only be read by Alice



**Signature:**  
everyone can read the doc.



SANS Institute  
Washington, D.C. Conference  
July 7, 2000



*“Hunting  
the  
Wily  
Hacker”*

May 1988 vol. 31. No. 5 COMMUNICATION 484 OF THE ACM

**STALKING THE WILY HACKER**

An astronomer-turned-sleuth traces a German trespasser on our military net through operating system security holes and browsed through sensitive databases. Was

CLIFFORD STOLL

<http://www.sans.org/dc2000/wileyhacker.pdf>

Attacks to the system

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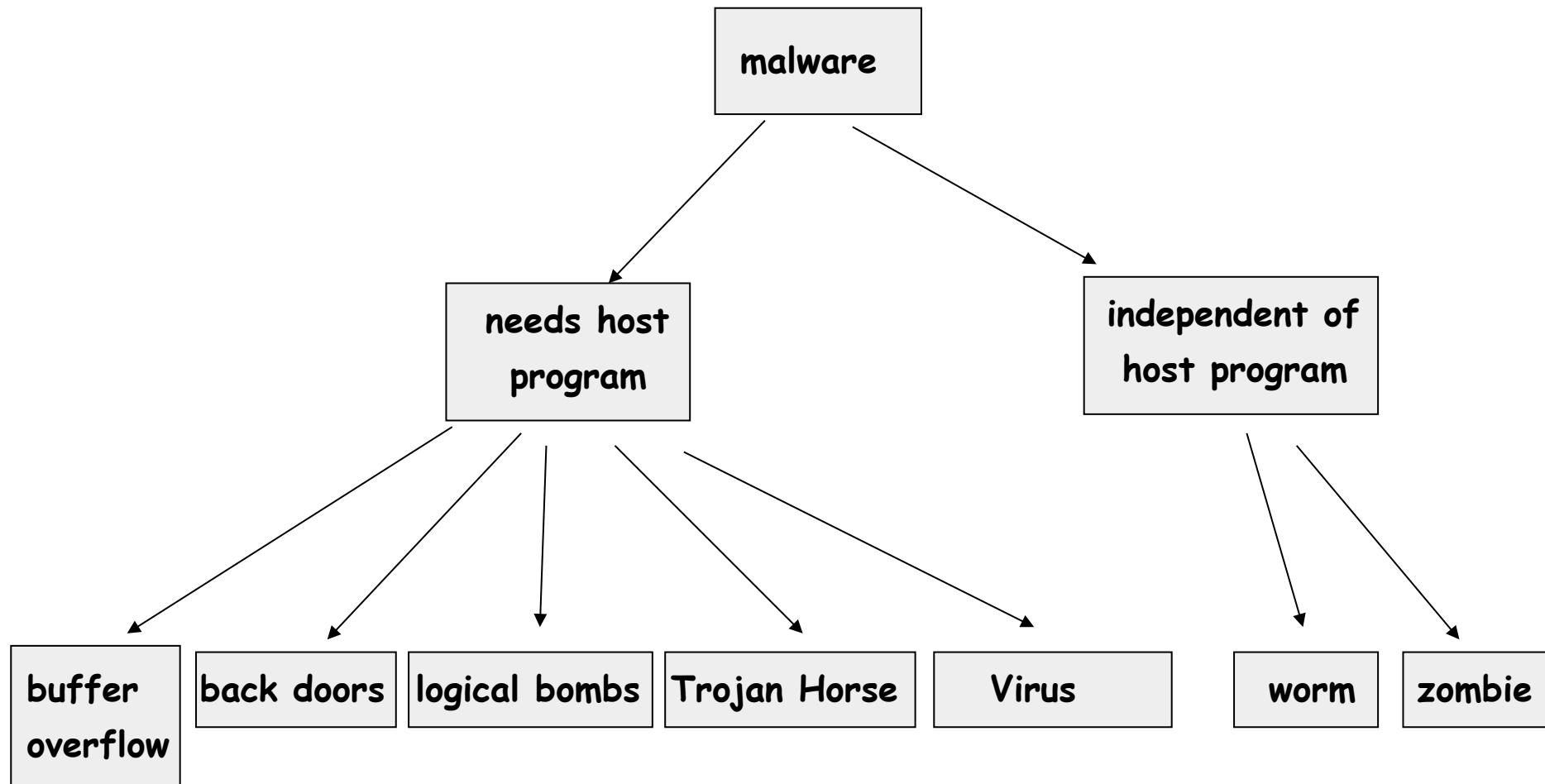


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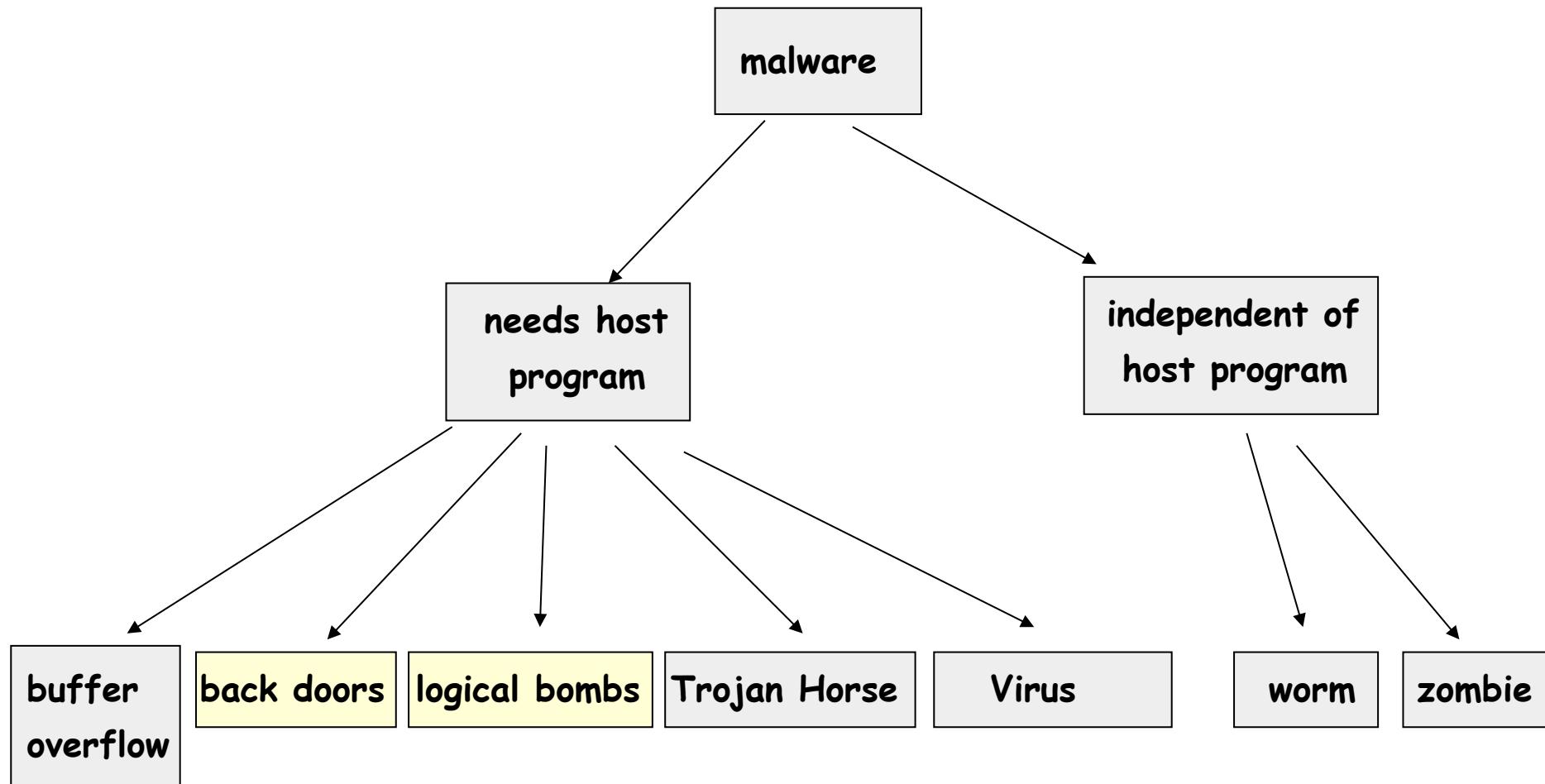
# attacks to the system

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# attacks to the system

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# hidden back doors

## nomal code

```
while (TRUE) {  
    printf("login: ");  
    get_string(name);  
    disable_echoing();  
    printf("password: ");  
    get_string(password);  
    enable_echoing();  
    v=check_validity(name,password);  
    if (v) break;  
}  
execute shell(name);
```

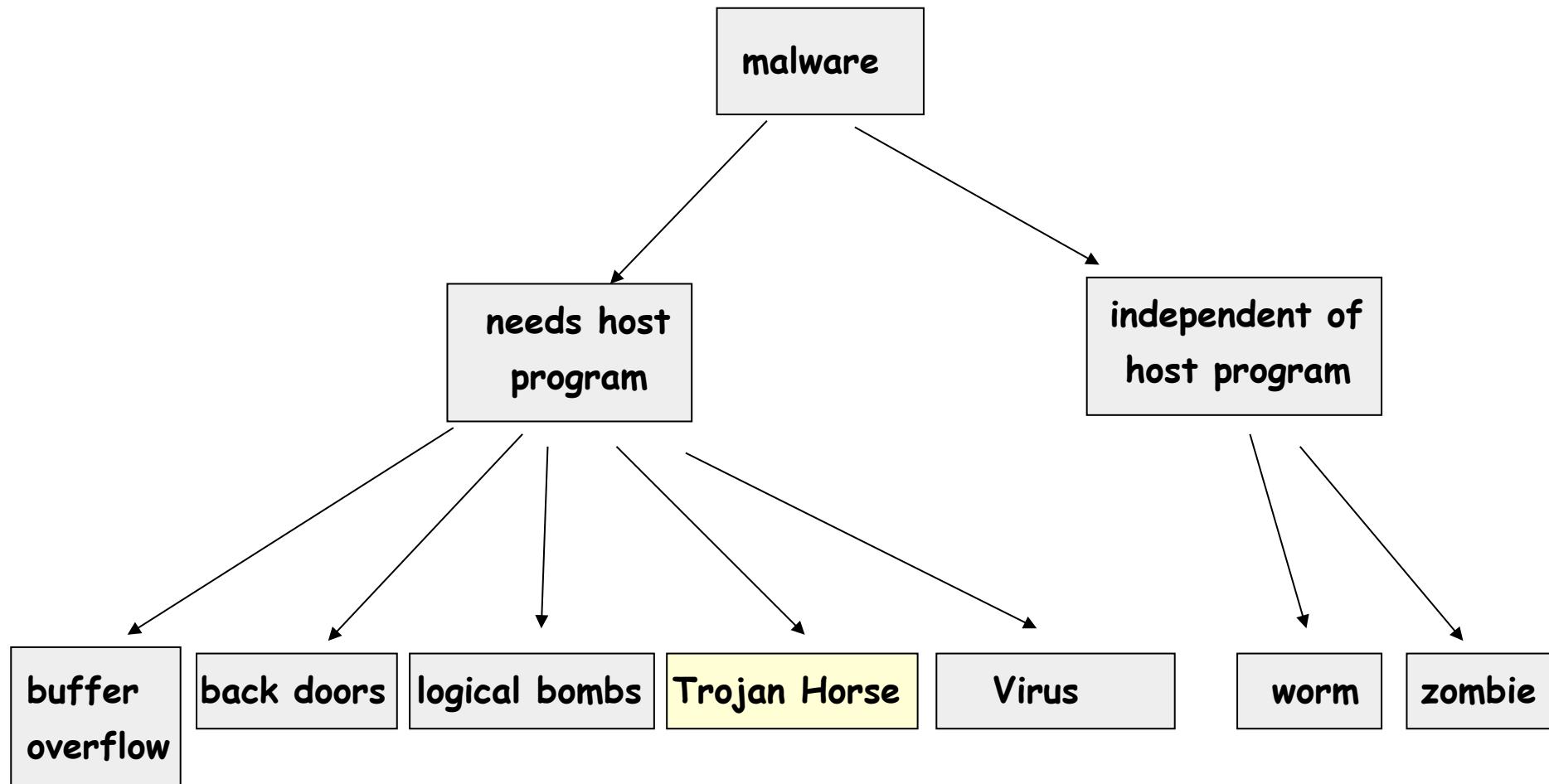
## code with back door

```
while (TRUE) {  
    printf("login: ");  
    get_string(name);  
    disable_echoing();  
    printf("password: ");  
    get_string(password);  
    enable_echoing();  
    v=check_validity(name,password);  
    if (v || strcmp(name, "z!5%zy?") == 0) break;  
}  
execute shell(name);
```



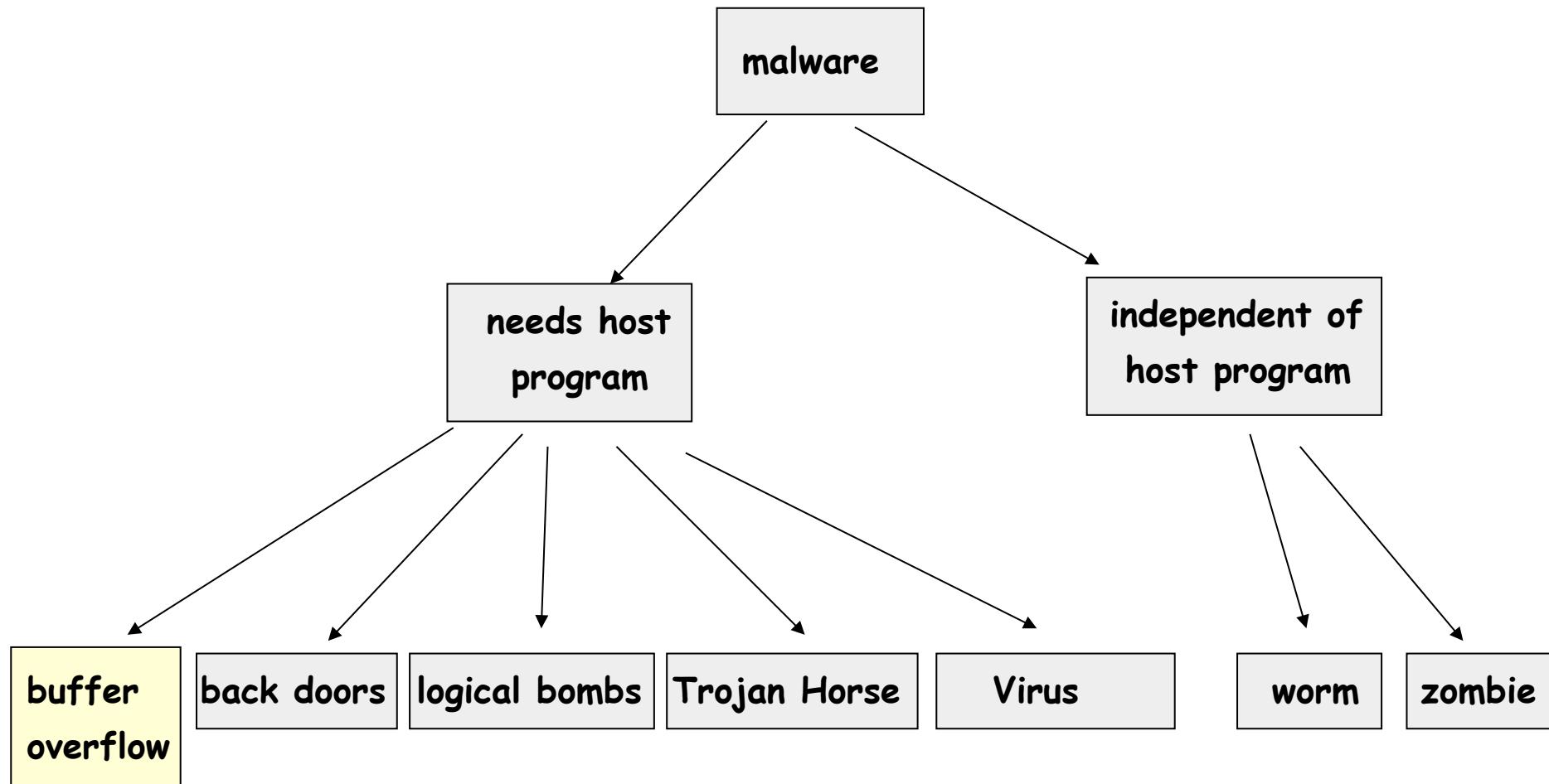
# attacks to the system

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# attacks to the system

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# buffer overflow

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**Problem: C-Compiler doesn't check index bounds on arrays.**

**example:**

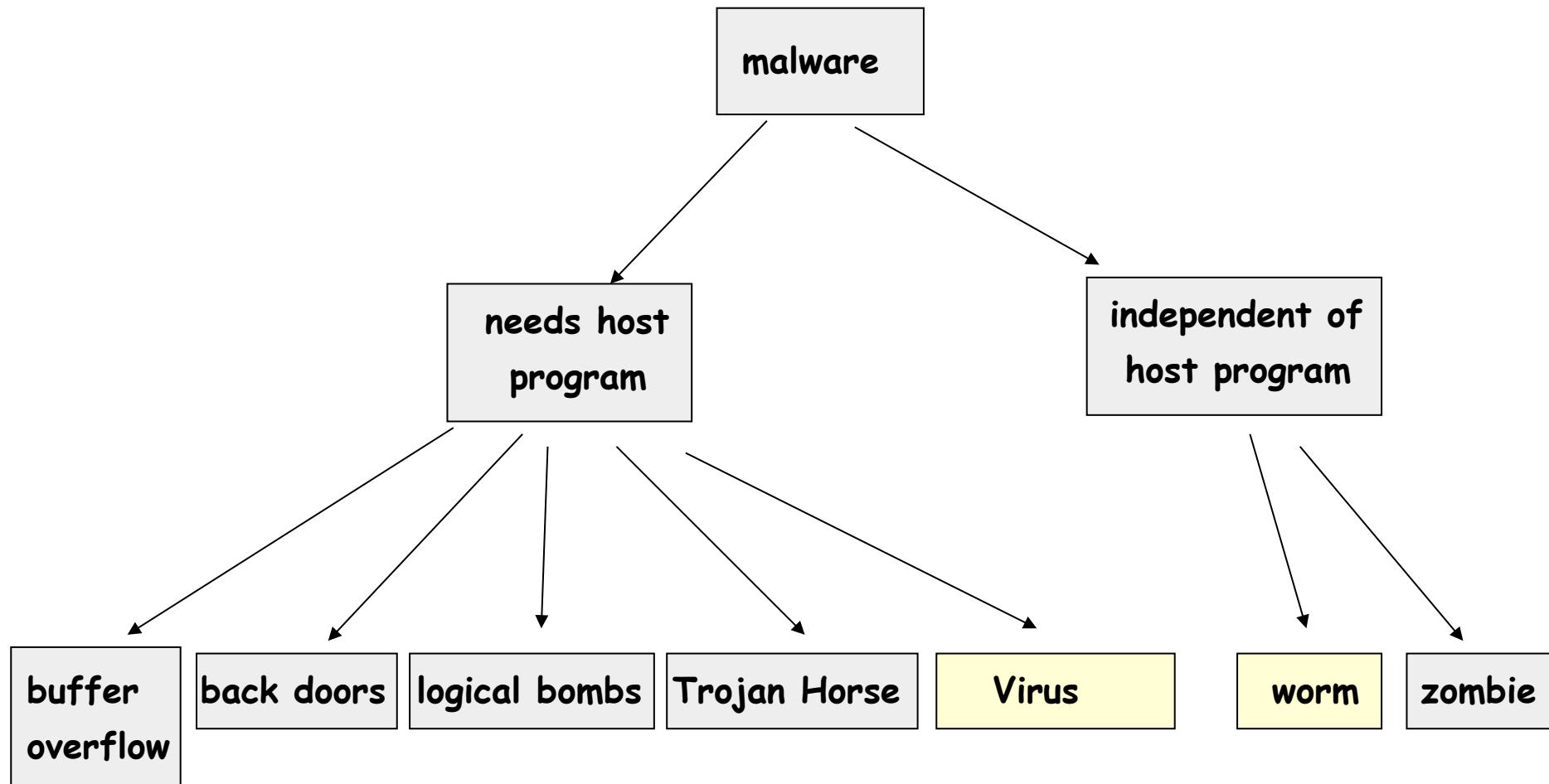
```
int i;  
char c[1024];  
i=12000;  
c[i]=0;
```

**Effect: overwrites a byte that is 10976 Bytes away from the index bound.**



# attacks to the system

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# attacks from outside of the system

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## Viruses and Worms:

Virus: needs host program which is explicitly invoked and executed by a user

Worm: autonomous program which acts completely independent from a user.

Hoax: needs (fooled) user to perform action

- **attack over the network  
(or any infected storage device for virus)**
- **transfer executable code to the victim machine**
- **often as e-mail attachment (virus)**
- **replication and distribution by the infected machine**



## Geschichte der Computerviren

- 1950er** Bell Labs entwickeln ein experimentelles Spiel, in dem die Spieler gegenseitig ihre Computer mit Schäden verursachenden Programmen angreifen.
- 1975** John Brunner, Autor von Science-Fiction-Romanen, entwickelt die Idee von einem „Wurm“, der sich in Netzwerken verbreiten kann.
- 1984** Fred Cohen führt in einer Dissertation den Begriff „Computervirus“ für Programme mit den entsprechenden Eigenschaften ein.
- 1986** Der erste Computervirus, *Brain*, wird angeblich von zwei Brüdern in Pakistan geschrieben.
- 1987** Der Wurm *Christmas tree* legt das weltweite IBM-Netzwerk lahm.
- 1988** Der *Internet worm* verbreitet sich im US-DARPA-Internet.
- 1992** Der *Michelangelo*-Virus sorgt weltweit für Panik, obwohl nur wenige Computer infiziert werden.
- 1994** *Good Times*, der erste richtige Virenhoax, erscheint.
- 1995** Der erste Dokumentenvirus, *Concept*, erscheint.
- 1998** *CIH* oder *Chernobyl* ist der erste Virus, der Computer-Hardware beschädigt.

**1999** *Melissa*, ein Virus der sich selbst per E-Mail weiterleitet, verbreitet sich weltweit.

*Bubbleboy*, der erste Virus, der einen Computer allein durch das Lesen einer E-Mail infiziert, erscheint.

**2000** Der *Loveletter-Virus* ist der bisher „erfolgreichste“ Virus. Im selben Jahr tritt der erste Virus für das Palm-Betriebssystem auf, allerdings werden keine Anwender infiziert.

**2001** Ein Virus, der angeblich Bilder der Tennisspielerin Anna Kournikova enthält, infiziert Tausende Computer weltweit.

**2002** David L Smith, Autor von *Melissa*, wird von US-Gerichten zu 20 Monaten Haft verurteilt.

**2003** Der *Blaster*-Wurm verbreitet sich mit Hilfe einer Sicherheitslücke in der Software von Microsoft im Internet. Gemeinsam mit dem E-Mail-Virus *Sobig* macht er den August 2003 zum bisher schlimmsten Monat der Virenvorfälle.

**2004** Die Schöpfer der *Netsky*- und *Bagle*-Würmer wetteifern, welcher Wurm wohl die größeren Auswirkungen hat.

[http://www.sophos.de/sophos/docs/deu/comvirus/virus\\_bde.pdf](http://www.sophos.de/sophos/docs/deu/comvirus/virus_bde.pdf)

ich hatte die Datei auf der Festplatte und habe sie inzwischen gelöscht!

---Ursprüngliche Nachricht---

From: "a friend"

To: "a friend"

Subject: Achtung Viruswarnung Adressbuch - DRINGEND (fwd)

---Ursprüngliche Nachricht---

From: "Gasthof Alpenhof" <gasthof.alpenhof@rolmail.net>

Habe heute diese Virusmeldung bekommen und den Virus in meiner Datei auch gefunden! Bitte die Anleitung zum Löschen befolgen!

Grüße Renate

> > Ich hoffe, dass Ihr diese Nachricht rechtzeitig erhaltet. Der Virus verbreitet sich von Adressbuch  
> > zu Adressbuch, also bitte gleich nachschauen. Er ist in der Tat von  
> > Norton und McAfee (und AntiVir 9x) nicht auffindbar. Er schlummert etwa  
> > 14 Tage auf dem Rechner, aktiviert sich dann selbst und löscht sämtliche  
> > Daten auf der Festplatte.

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> > Die Anweisung zu seiner Entfernung ist recht einfach:  
> > 1. Auf "Start" klicken, dann auf "Suchen", dann auf Dateien/Ordner  
> > 2. In der Suchmaske "sulfnbk.exe" eintippen - so heißt die Virusdatei  
> > 3. Bei "Suchen in" muß die Festplatte drin stehen, in der Regel C:  
> > 4. Suche starten  
> > 5. Wenn diese Datei auftaucht (sie hat ein häßliches schwarzes Icon)  
> > - AUF KEINEN FALL ÖFFNEN  
> > 6. Mit der rechten Maustaste den Dateinamen anklicken - Löschen  
> > drücken

> > 7. Bei der Rückfrage ob die Anwendung tatsächlich in den Papierkorb  
> > verschoben werden soll, Ja drücken  
> > 8. Auf den Desktop gehen und den Papierkorb öffnen  
> > 9. Die Datei "sulfnbk.exe" im Papierkorb suchen und mit der rechten  
> > Maustaste löschen  
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> > Wenn Sie/Ihr die Datei auf Eurem Rechner gefunden habt, sendet diese  
E-Mail  
> > an alle Kontakte in Ihrem/ Eurem Adressbuch, weil der Virus über das  
> > Adressbuch verbreitet wird.  
> > Danke!



Sorry!!!!

---Ursprüngliche Nachricht--- From: "Dr. S" <----->

To: <----->, "GK" <gk>

Subject: "Hoax" (eben kein Virus)

AW: Von Renate - Achtung Viruswarnung Adressbuch - DRINGEND (fwd)

> Ich hatte die Datei auf der Festplatte und habe sie nun gelöscht! .. selbst schuld ..

Bei dieser Nachricht handelt es sich um einen sogenannten Hoax, die Weitergabe der Nachricht ist das Problem, die u.g. Datei ist ein normaler Bestandteil von Windows (z.B. W'98) und dient der Wiederherstellung langer Dateinamen. Wobei ich vermute, dass genug Psychologen in diesem Verteiler sind, die eine derartige sich selbst erfüllende Prophezeiung (die Datei hat wirklich jeder ..) erkennen können ... > > 2. In der Suchmaske "sulfnbk.exe" eintippen - so heißt die Virusdatei

Dr. med. Dipl.-Psych. S,

Zentrum für Telematik im Gesundheitswesen



# What a virus can do:

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- Slow down of E-Mail. e.g. *Sobig*.
- Theft of confidential data. e.g. *Bugbear-D*
- Website-attacks from YOUR computer. e.g. *MyDoom*
- Misuse of YOUR computer by others.
- Change of data. e.g. *Compatable*
- Deletion of data. e.g. *Sircam Wurm*
- Disable hardware. *CIH* oder *Chernobyl*
- Jokes. e.g. *Netsky-D*
- Display text messages. e.g. *Cone-F*
- Loss of credibility.
- Embarrasment. e.g. *PolyPost*



# Virus species

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**kind:**

- companion
- overwriting virus
- parasitic virus
- macro virus
- source code virus

**components:**

- user programs
- system programs
- device drivers

**where to hide:**

- "cavities" in the program
- interrupt vector area
- in a memory block marked "used"
- boot sector

**how to hide:**

- stealth virus
- polymorphic virus



# virus actions

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**Infect and hide in a program:**

1. sleep until wake-up by some event
2. start code of virus
3. search for executable program files
4. infect program file
  - overwrite code with virus code (overwriting virus)
  - leave original functionality but add code (parasitic virus)
  - special case "cavity virus".

**Infect and hide in the computer memory (memory resident virus)**

**hide in the interrupt vector area**

**modify bitmap of virtual memory or file system**

**hide in the boot sector of the disk (will not be destroyed by formatting)**



# Anti-virus techniques

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## Isolate and identify the virus:

- create a protected environment where the impact of a virus can be tested
- controlled infection of a specific "goat" file. Goal: Isolation of the virus.
- create a listing of the virus code and enter this in a virus database
- isolate the code of the virus kernel and create the virus signature

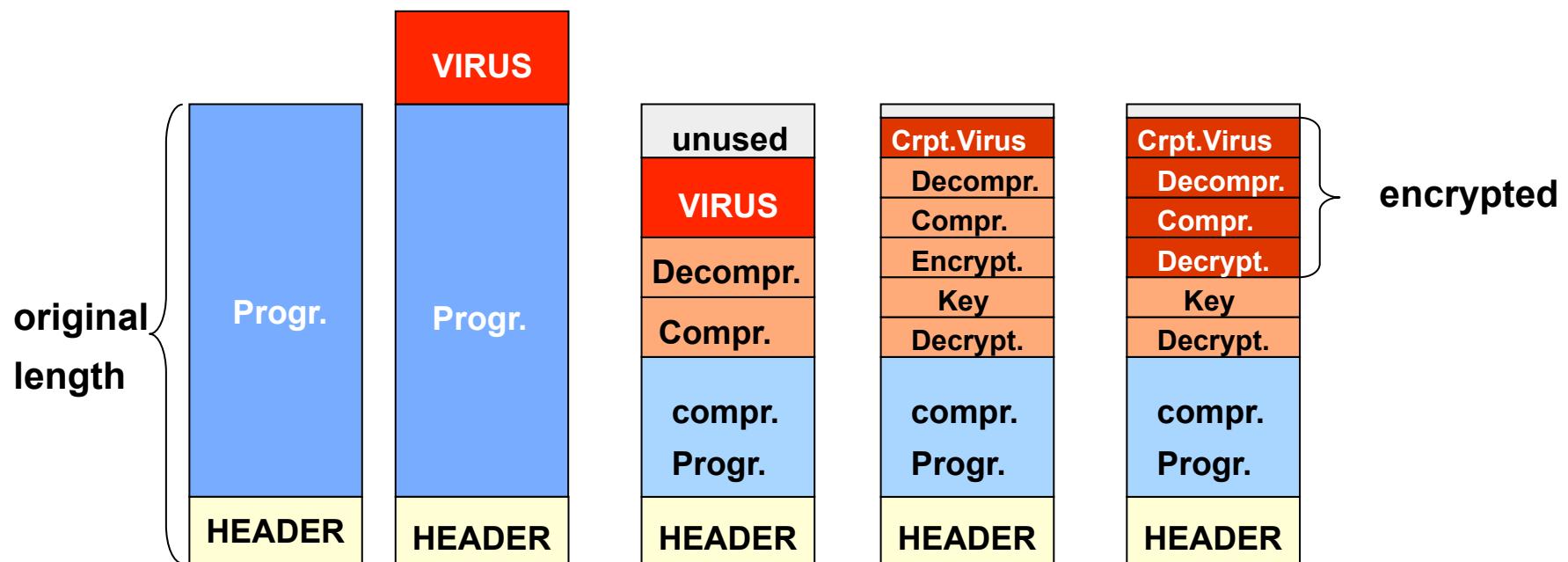
## Function of the virus scanner:

- compare every file on the disk against the data base of viruses
- fuzzy search is required
- use signature to identify viruses
- use creation date to find modifications since the last check
- use length of data to detect infections



# Anti-Anti-virus techniques

- setting creation and modification dates
- exploiting compression and decryption techniques to maintain original length and varying the signature.



# Anti-Anti-virus techniques

## Polymorphic Virus: The many ways to express NOP!

|            |            |            |            |            |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| MOV A, R1  |
| ADD B, R1  | NOP        | ADD #0,R1  | OR R1, R1  | TST R1     |
| ADD C, R1  | ADD B, R1  | ADD B, R1  | ADD B, R1  | ADD C, R1  |
| SUB #4, R1 | NOP        | OR R1, R1  | MOV R1, R5 | MOV R1, R5 |
| MOV R1, X  | ADD C, R1  | ADD C, R1  | ADD C, R1  | ADD B, R1  |
|            | NOP        | SHL #0, R1 | SHL #0, R1 | CMP R2, R5 |
|            | SUB #4, R1 | SUB #4, R1 | SUB #4, R1 | SUB #4, R1 |
|            | NOP        | JMP .+1    | ADD R5, R5 | JMP .+1    |
|            | MOV R1, X  | MOV R1, X  | MOV R1, X  | MOV R1, X  |
|            |            |            | MOV R5, Y  | MOV R5, Y  |

Sophisticated Viruses comprise a Mutation Engine to perform camouflage automatically.



# Anti and Anti-Anti-virus techniques

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**The battle goes on:**

**How to achieve that an Anti-Virus Program is not infected**

**Can access to raw disk help the Virus Scanner?**

**More techniques which don't help:**

**Integrity Checking**

**Activity Control**

**Virus (infection) prevention ?**

**How to recover from a virus?**



Professor Pohlmann: „Trusted Computing bringt Quantensprung“

## Die Virenjagd muss kapitulieren

Hannover [ab] – Angesicht stetig steigender Trojaner-Fluten geben Antivirenhersteller offen zu: Die traditionelle Schädlingsjagd auf dem PC ist am Ende. Schutzfunktionen sollen künftig verstärkt aus dem Internet kommen. Deutsche Forscher favorisieren dagegen das Trusted Computing.

**Das Virenproblem** ist mit herkömmlicher Ansätzen nicht mehr zu lösen", mahnt Trend Micros Cheftechnologie Raimund Genes. Ein Security-Chefforscher wie Mikko Hypponen schwimmt zu: „Wir können nicht wie hermachen wie bisher.“ Denn statt gegen einzelne Viren-Attacken kämpft die Sicherz Branche heute gegen zielgerichtet organisierte Cyberkriminelle, die tag und Nacht Trojaner verbreiten.

Die Malware-Flut steigt daher an: Genes erwartet jahres 1500 000 neue Schädlinge pro Monat. Und auch wenn die Antivirus-Hersteller ihre Analyse-Infrastrukturen massiv ausbauen und aktualisieren, sei diese nur kein noch mit Updates auf alle PCs zu bringen.

„Security muss sich ändern. Von einem Produkterkauf zu einem Service“, sieht Hypponen künftig



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Genes: „Virenproblem ist mit herkömmlichen Ansätzen nicht mehr zu lösen.“

die Internetprovider in der Flucht. Auch Genes will mehr Funktionen in die Cloud verlegen: „Neben zentralen Datenbanken mit infektiösen Webseiten schweben ihm mittlerweile interaktive Botnetze und Webteile mit draublen und böswilligen Programmen vor, die die PC-Software dann infizieren.“

Professor Norbert Pohlmann vom Geisenkirchener Institut für Internetsicherheit will dagegen sicher arbeiten: „Es gibt kein modernes Betriebssystem, das die angemessene Sicherheit gegen aktuelle Angriffe bietet. Deshalb brauchen wir eine Sicherheitsplattform, die die basic-eigenschaften der Rechner kontrolliert.“ Das Opensource-Projekt Tuxedo nutzt dazu TPM-Kryptochips, Mikrokern-Rollensysteme und Virtualisierung samt Xanger-Prozessolation. Pohlmann: „Ein Quantensprung für die Sicherheit.“

# Mobile Code

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## Agents, Postscript and Applets

Can we safely execute untrusted code on our computer?

- **Sandboxing**
- **Interpretation**
- **Digital signatures**



# Sandbox

**Goal:** Separate the virtual address space of a process in areas for trusted and untrusted code.

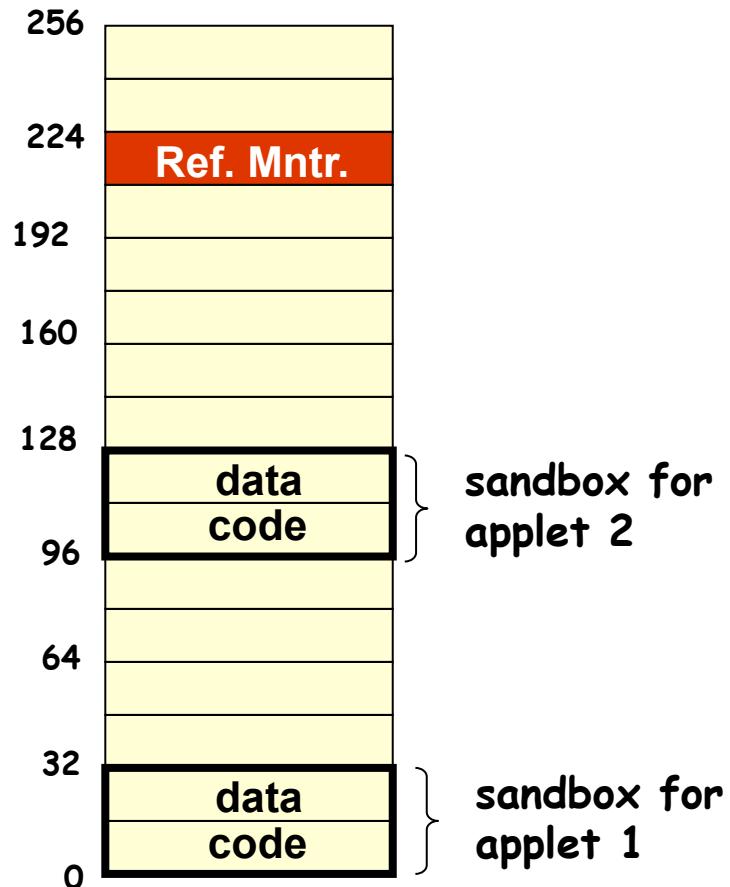
**Problem 1:** dynamic jumps where the target address is calculated during runtime.

**Solution:** Check every "JMP (Rx)" whether its jump target is inside the sandbox.

**Problem 2:** system calls.

**Solution:** all system calls are checked by the reference monitor.

virtual addr. space



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**Damage due to poor protection and user ignorance:**

**>  $10^{12}$  \$ / year ??**

|             |      |                  |                             |              |
|-------------|------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Concept     | 1995 | Word Macro       | 4 month until widely distr. | \$50 Mio.    |
| Melissa     | 1999 | e-mail W-Macro   | 4 days until widely distr.  | \$385 Mio.   |
| Love Letter | 2000 | e-mail Vis.Basic | 5 hours until widely distr. | \$15000 Mio. |

**Why not build a trusted and secure computer system ?**

**Is it possible (with the functionality we are used)?**

**Is it desirable (or would it be too restrictive) ?**

**What are the constraints for the user of such a system?**

