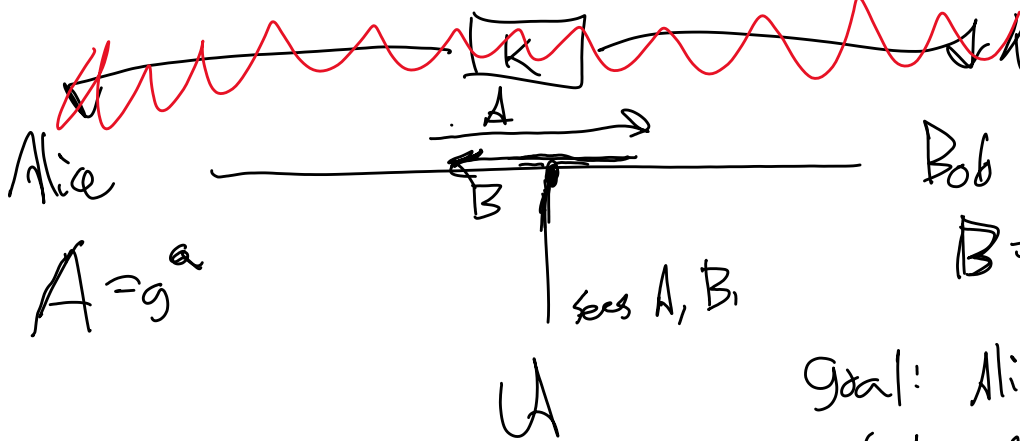


Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

What if no shared key to start with?



$$A = g^a$$

$$B = g^b$$

sees A, B

U

Goal: Alice and Bob get a shared key, K ,

U has no information about K , even seeing all comms between them.

$$B^a = (g^b)^a = g^{ab} = (g^a)^b = A^b$$

$$\underline{\underline{K = g^{ab}}}$$

- IF CDH is hard, U cannot compute K given A, B .
- IF DDH is hard, U cannot distinguish K from a random group element.

Once Alice, Bob have a shared secret,

Can use it for MAC, sym. encryption, etc.