

# Open Web Application Security Project

## Commercial Cryptographic Transitions and Web Application Key Management

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- Key Management Principles
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# Cryptography Transitions

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*Definition: Managing the transformation from one cryptographic architecture to another cryptographic architecture in a methodical approach that is consistent with prudent business practices and security guidelines.*

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# Technology Issues

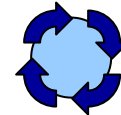
- **Key Life Cycle**
  - Advancements in raw computing power (Moore's Law) has increased risk to shorter cryptographic keys
- **Algorithm Life Cycle**
  - Advancements in mathematical research (Frequency Analysis, Differential Cryptanalysis, Number Field Sieve, Differential Power Analysis) can increase risk to existing algorithms
- **Product Life Cycle**
  - Hardware and/or Software lose vendor support such that products are no longer maintainable or available

# Transitional Principles

- **Business Requirement Principle**
  - Overarching principle (and some common sense)
- **Cryptographic Hardware Principles**
  - Tamper Resistant Security Module (TRSM)
  - TRSM Interoperability
  - TRSM Vendor Reliability
  - TRSM Certification
- **Application Management Principles**
  - Algorithm Independence
  - Security Architecture
  - Enterprise Management
  - Security Guidelines

# Transition Life Cycle

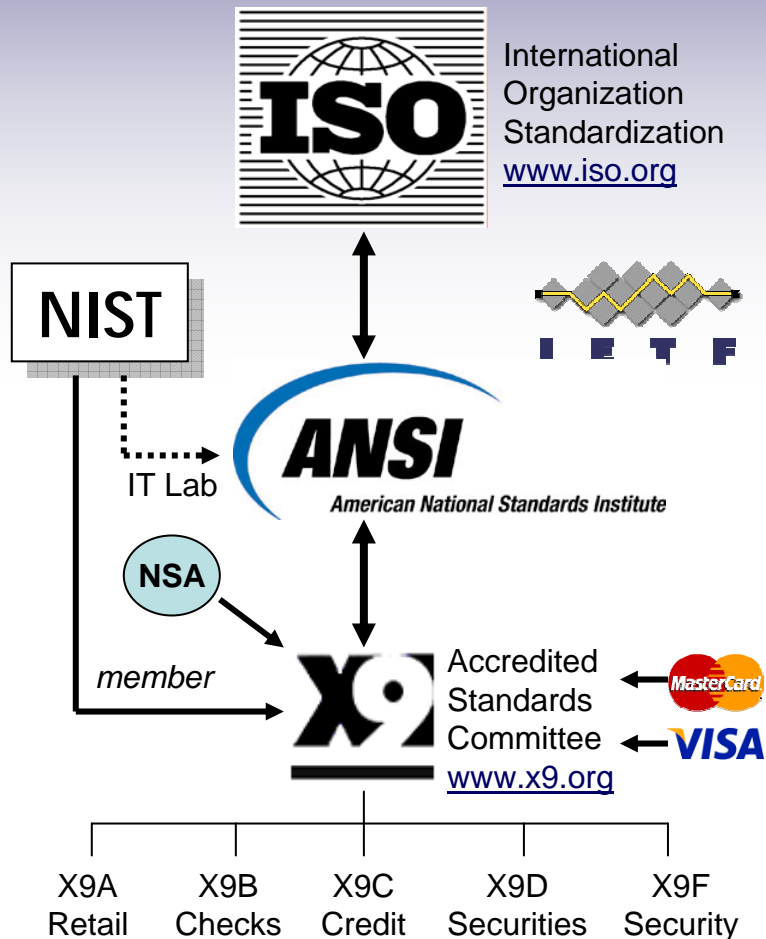
- **Vulnerability Assessment**
  - Legacy System Requirements
  - New System Requirements
  - Infrastructure Requirements
  - Risk Assessment
- **Impact Analysis**
  - Inventory Assessment
  - Dependency Analysis
  - Jurisdictional Issues
  - Migration Issues
- **Transition Implementation**
  - Development Plan
  - Test Plans
  - Quality Assurance Plan
  - Deployment Plan
- **Transition Reconciliation**
  - Conduct Post mortem
  - Monitor Program
  - Transitions are Cyclic



# Case Studies

- **Healthcare Case Study**
  - HIPAA as driver; transition E-mail system from no encryption to password-based encryption to PKI
- **Pharmaceutical Case Study**
  - HIPAA as driver; transition anonymous prescription data feeds from multiple sources to centralized data mining facility
- **Financial Services Case Study**
  - Protecting Personal Identification Number (PIN) was driver
  - Transition ATM and POS from Tables to DES to TDES
- **Government SBU Case Study**
  - Protecting Sensitive But Unclassified (SBU) data was one driver
  - Cost reduction and wider availability were additional drivers
  - Transition from government proprietary cryptography to DES to TDES to AES
- **DoD Cryptographic Modernization**
  - Drivers include maintainability, cost containment, information assurance, and enhanced functionality
  - Transition legacy equipment to modern equipment

# Standards Bodies



- ISO has ~100 member bodies & over 200 technical committees
  - TC 68 Financial Services Industry
  - ISO / IEC Joint Technical Committee One (JTC1)
- ANSI is the US national standards body to ISO
  - Accredits standards organizations
- X9 is an ANSI accredited standards body for the Financial Services Industry
  - US TAG to TC 68
- NIST is responsible for the Federal government, including commerce
  - NIST, NSA members of X9
  - NIST chairs ISO JTC1 SC 37 Biometrics
  - NSA is a US expert to ISO TC 68
- Payment Industry
  - MasterCard, Visa, AMEX, Discover members of X9
  - MasterCard, Visa liaison members to ISO TC 68
- IETF is an independent, unaffiliated, “international” standards body
  - Web services are based on IETF and W3C specifications
- *Disconnect* between financial services and the Internet community



# Payment Card Industry (PCI) Data Security Standard

## **Build and Maintain a Secure Network**

Requirement 1: Install and maintain a firewall configuration to protect data

Requirement 2: Do not use vendor-supplied defaults for system passwords and other security parameters

## **Protect Cardholder Data**

Requirement 3: Protect stored data

Requirement 4: Encrypt transmission of cardholder data and sensitive information across public networks

## **Maintain a Vulnerability Management Program**

Requirement 5: Use and regularly update anti-virus software

Requirement 6: Develop and maintain secure systems and applications

## **Implement Strong Access Control Measures**

Requirement 7: Restrict access to data by business need-to-know

Requirement 8: Assign a unique ID to each person with computer access

Requirement 9: Restrict physical access to cardholder data

## **Regularly Monitor and Test Networks**

Requirement 10: Track and monitor all access to network resources and cardholder data

Requirement 11: Regularly test security systems and processes.

## **Maintain an Information Security Policy**

Requirement 12: Maintain a policy that addresses information security

# Requirement 3: Protect stored data

## Address data management

- 3.1 Keep cardholder information storage to a minimum
- 3.2 Do not store sensitive authentication data subsequent to authorization
- 3.3 Mask account numbers when displayed
- 3.4 Render sensitive cardholder data unreadable

## Address key management

- 3.5 Protect encryption keys against both disclosure and misuse
- 3.6 Document and implement all key management processes and procedures

## 3.5 Protect encryption keys against both disclosure and misuse

<p>3.5.1 Restrict access to keys to the fewest number of custodians necessary.</p>	<p><b>X9.24 Retail Key Management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <i>Avoid "super-user" syndrome</i></li></ul>
<p>3.5.2 Store keys securely in the fewest possible locations and forms.</p>	<p><b>X9.24 Retail Key Management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Originated as input from MasterCard</li><li>- <i>Initial direction was to restrict keys to two entities (sender &amp; receiver)</i></li><li>- Infeasible for POS environment &amp; especially important for the Internet environment with multiple Web servers</li></ul>

## 3.6 Document and implement all key management processes and procedures

<b>3.6.1 Generation of strong keys</b>	<b>X9.80 RNG (draft)</b>
<b>3.6.2 Secure key distribution</b>	<b>X9.24 Retail Key Management – X9.42 D-H, X9.44 RSA, X9.63 ECC</b>
<b>3.6.3 Secure key storage</b>	<b>X9.24 Retail Key Management</b>
<b>3.6.4 Periodic key changes</b>	<b>X9.24 Retail Key Management</b>
<b>3.6.5 Destruction of old keys</b>	<b>X9.24 Retail Key Management</b>
<b>3.6.6 Split knowledge and dual control</b>	<b>X9.24 Retail Key Management</b>
<b>3.6.7 Prevention of unauthorized substitution of keys</b>	<b>X9.24 Retail Key Management</b>
<b>3.6.8. Replacement of known or suspected compromised keys</b>	<b>X9.24 Retail Key Management</b>
<b>3.6.9. Revocation of old or invalid keys (RSA keys)</b>	<b>X9.57 Certificate management</b>
<b>3.6.10 Form for key-custodian responsibilities</b>	

# Requirement 4: Encrypt transmission

## 4.1 Use strong cryptography (at least 128 bit)

- Secure Socket Layer (SSL)
- Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol (PPTP)
- Internet Protocol Security (IPSEC)

### 4.1.1 For wireless networks

- Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) if WPA capable
- Virtual Private Network (VPN)
- Secure Socket Layer (SSL) at 128-bit

### Negative Requirements

- Never rely exclusively on Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) to protect confidentiality and access to a wireless Local Area Network (LAN). Use one of the above methodologies in conjunction with WEP at 128 bit, and rotate shared WEP keys quarterly and whenever there are personnel changes.

## 4.2 Never send cardholder information via unencrypted e-mail

Still need to deal with key management – X9.24

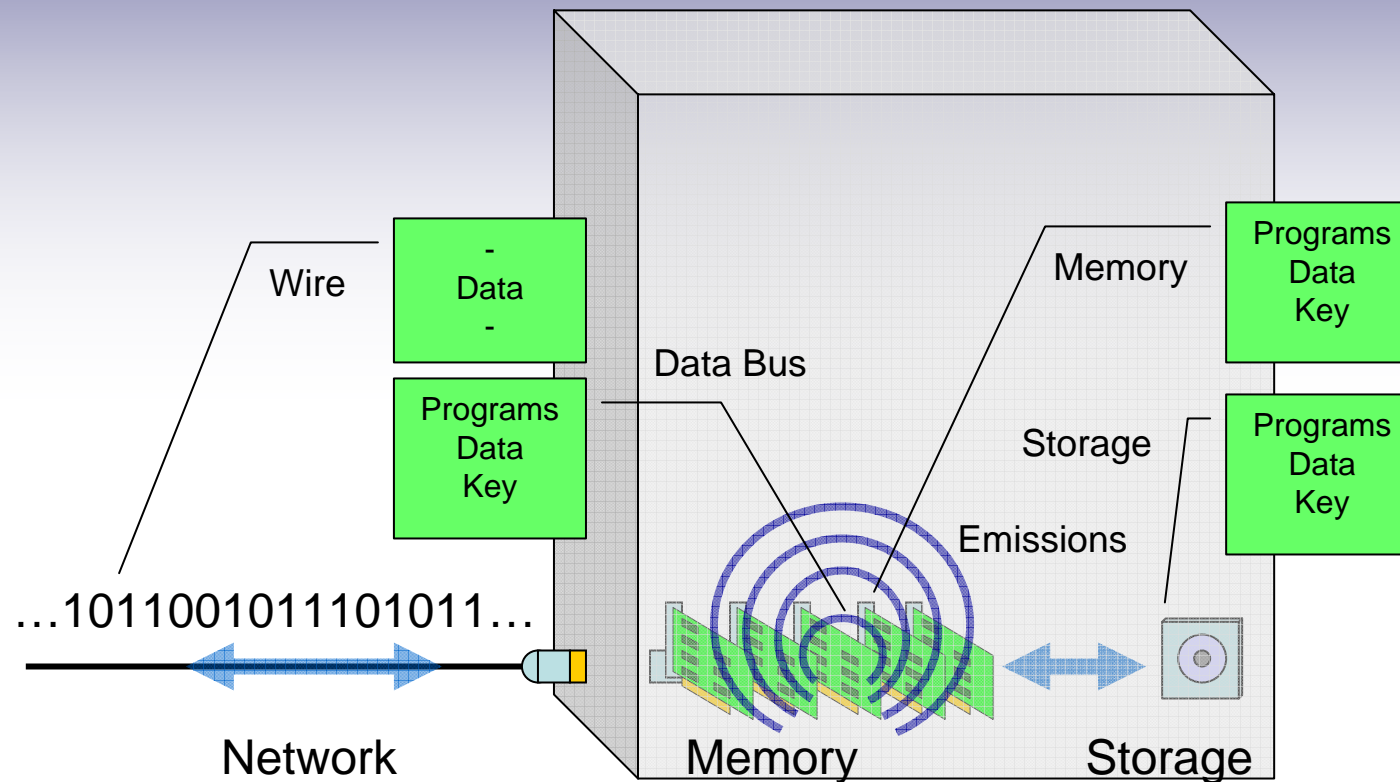
# Key Management Principles

## American National Standard X9.24-2006

### ***Retail Financial Services Symmetric Key Management***

- Symmetric keys and Asymmetric private keys (*secret*)
  - Inside a Tamper Resistant Security Module (TRSM)
  - Encrypted outside a TRSM
  - Key components (key shares) employing dual control and split knowledge
- Asymmetric public keys (*public*)
  - Any form that a private can exist
  - Embedded in a public key certificate (digital signature)
  - Protected with a message authentication code (MAC)  
[a cryptographic checksum using symmetric cryptography]
- Financial network audit requirements codified in Guideline for Financial Services (TG-3-2004) Retail Financial Services Compliance Guideline or “TG-3”
  - 60% dedicated to key management; 24 of 39 compliance statements

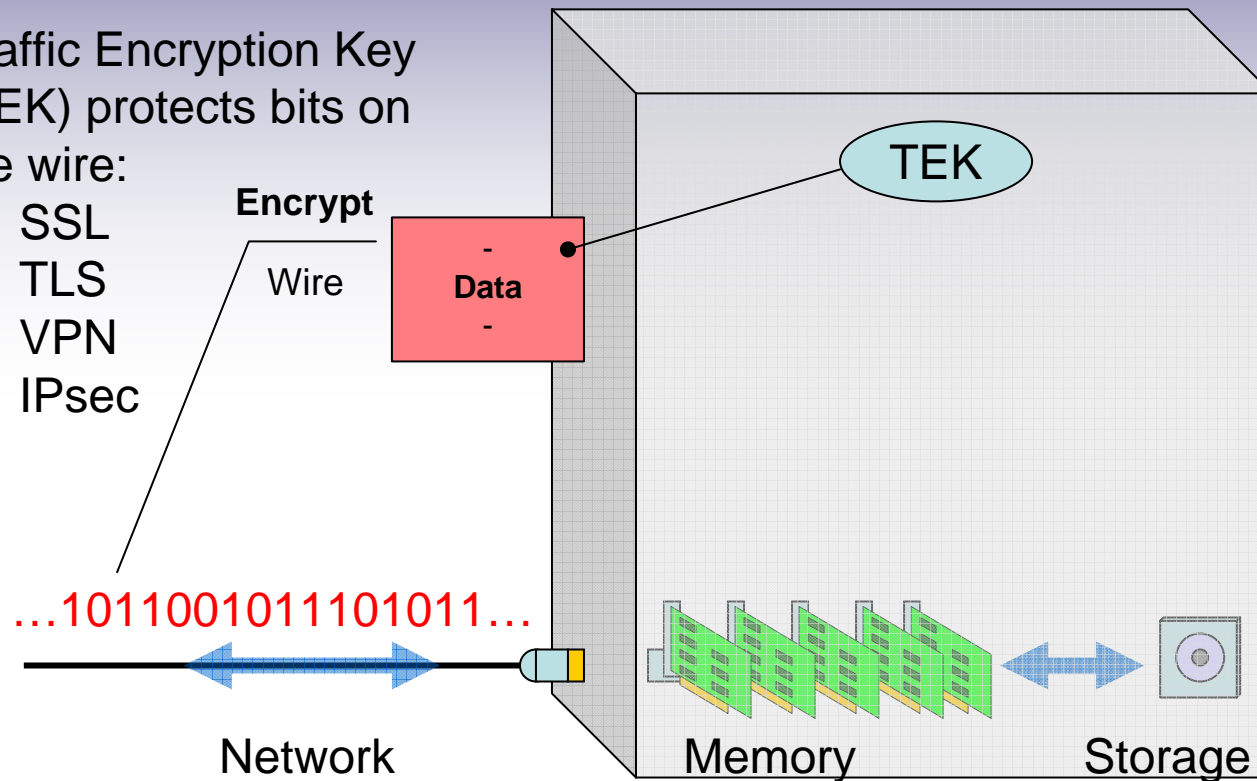
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# Traffic Encryption Key

Traffic Encryption Key (TEK) protects bits on the wire:

- SSL
- TLS
- VPN
- IPsec

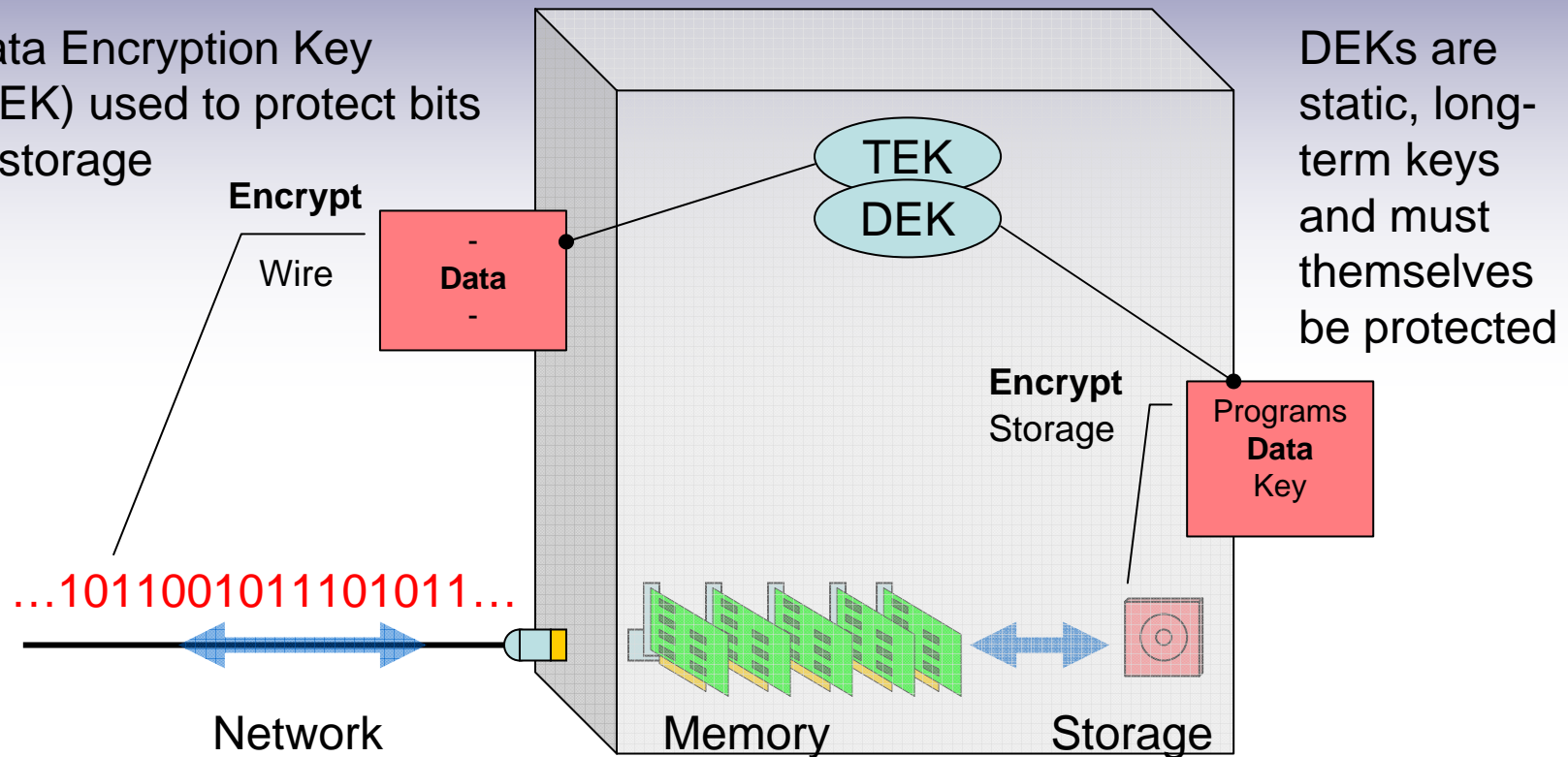


TEKs are temporal, established per session, then they go away – low risk situation



# Data Encryption Key

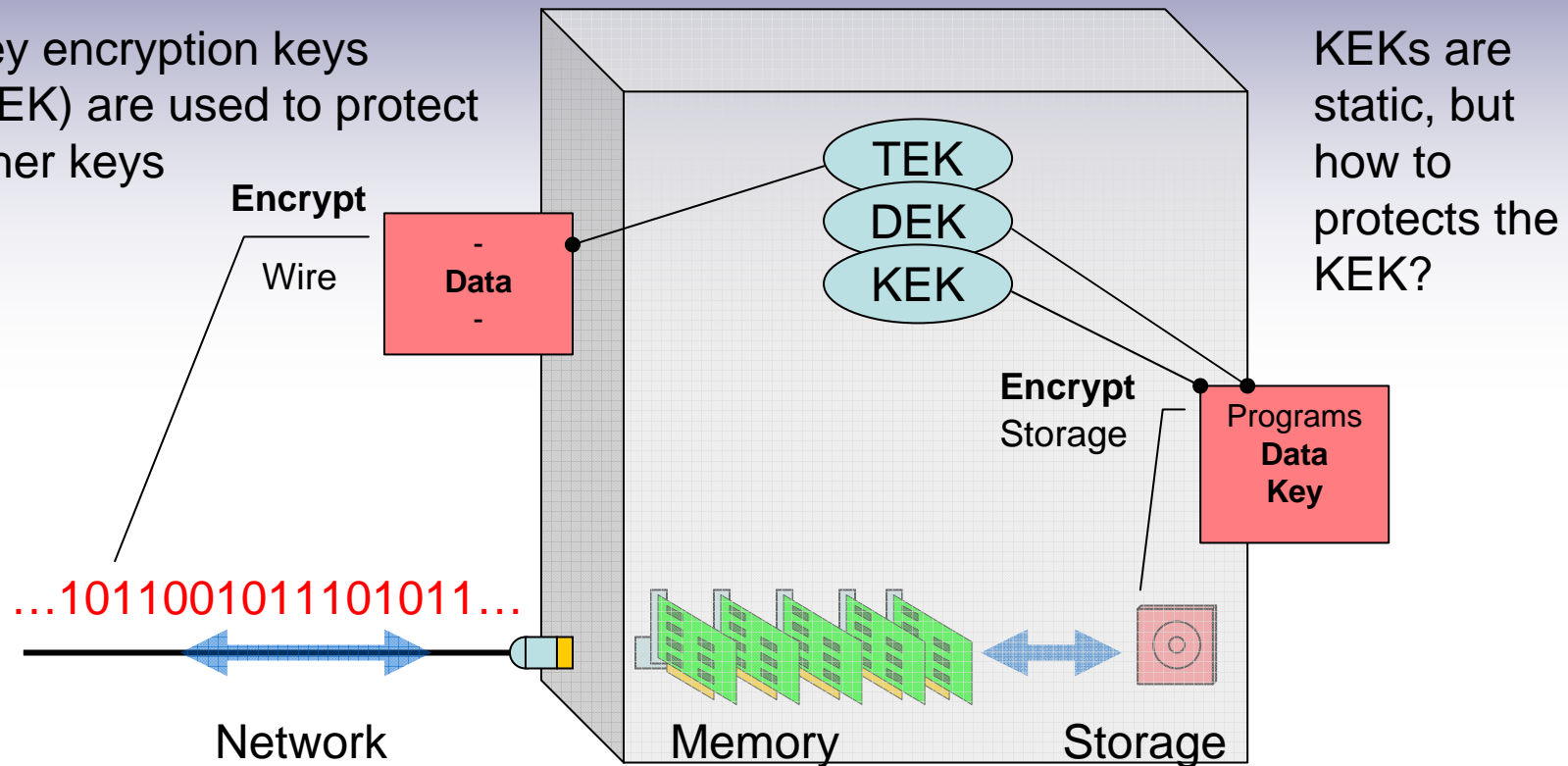
Data Encryption Key (DEK) used to protect bits in storage



Unprotected stored data is a hacker's gold mine...

# Key Encryption Key

Key encryption keys (KEK) are used to protect other keys



# Protecting KEK (and others)

Key components (two random number) are XOR to generate the KEK



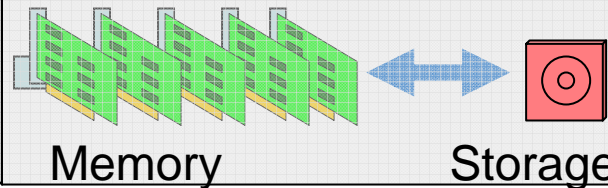
Administrator logs on with password

But, where do you hide the two random numbers?

...1011001011101011...

Network

**KEK is still unprotected in memory**

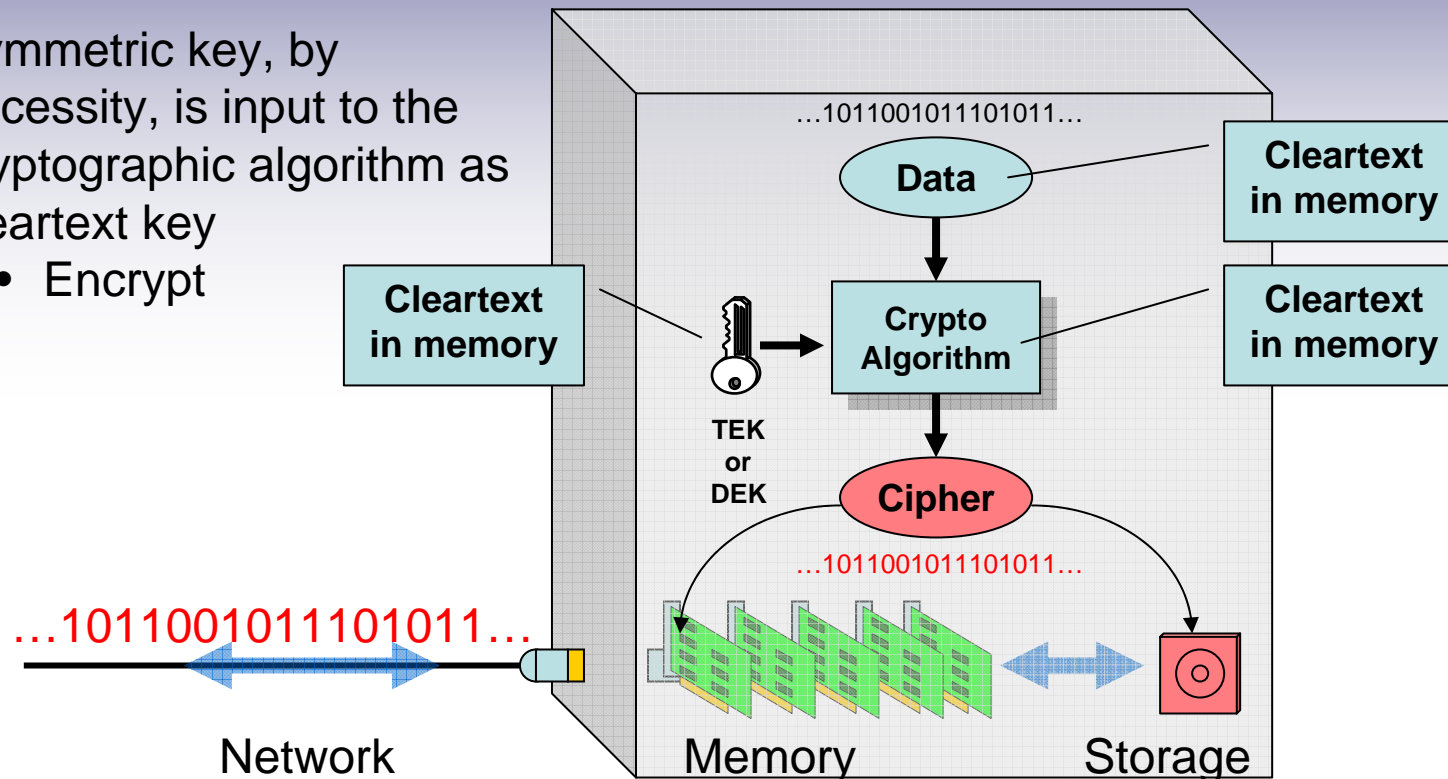


Input password into Pseudo Random Number Generator (PRNG) to generate KEK

# Think Inside the Box...encrypt

Symmetric key, by necessity, is input to the cryptographic algorithm as cleartext key

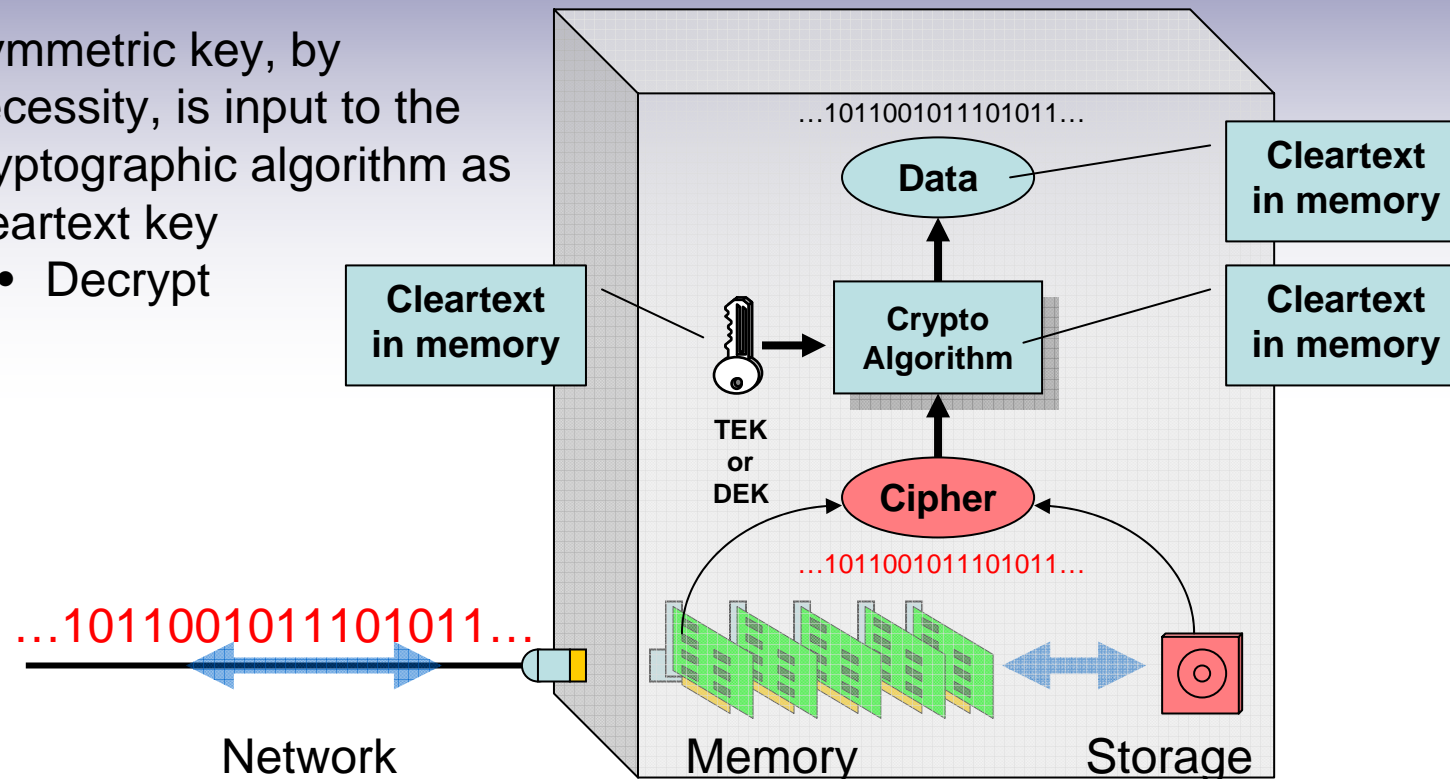
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# Think Inside the Box...decrypt

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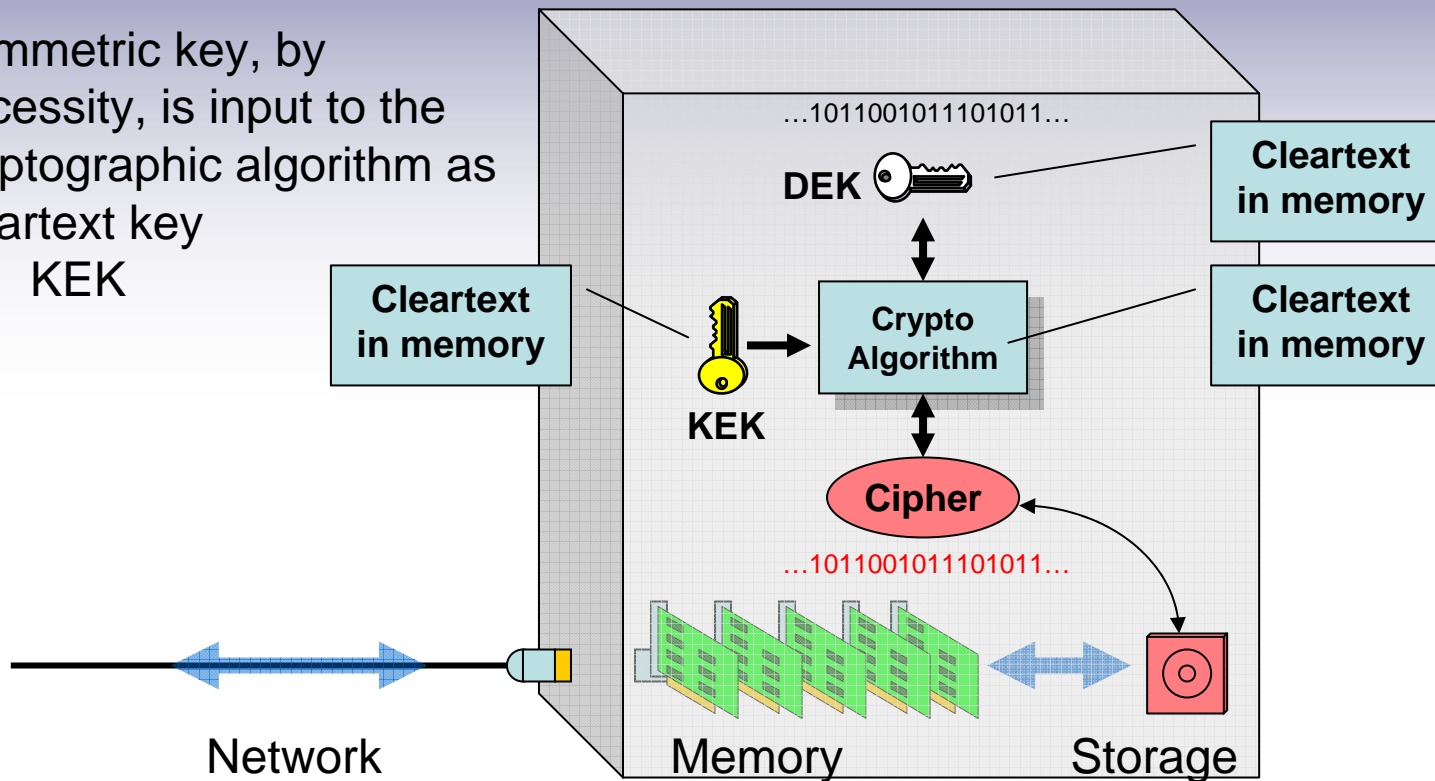
- Decrypt



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- KEK



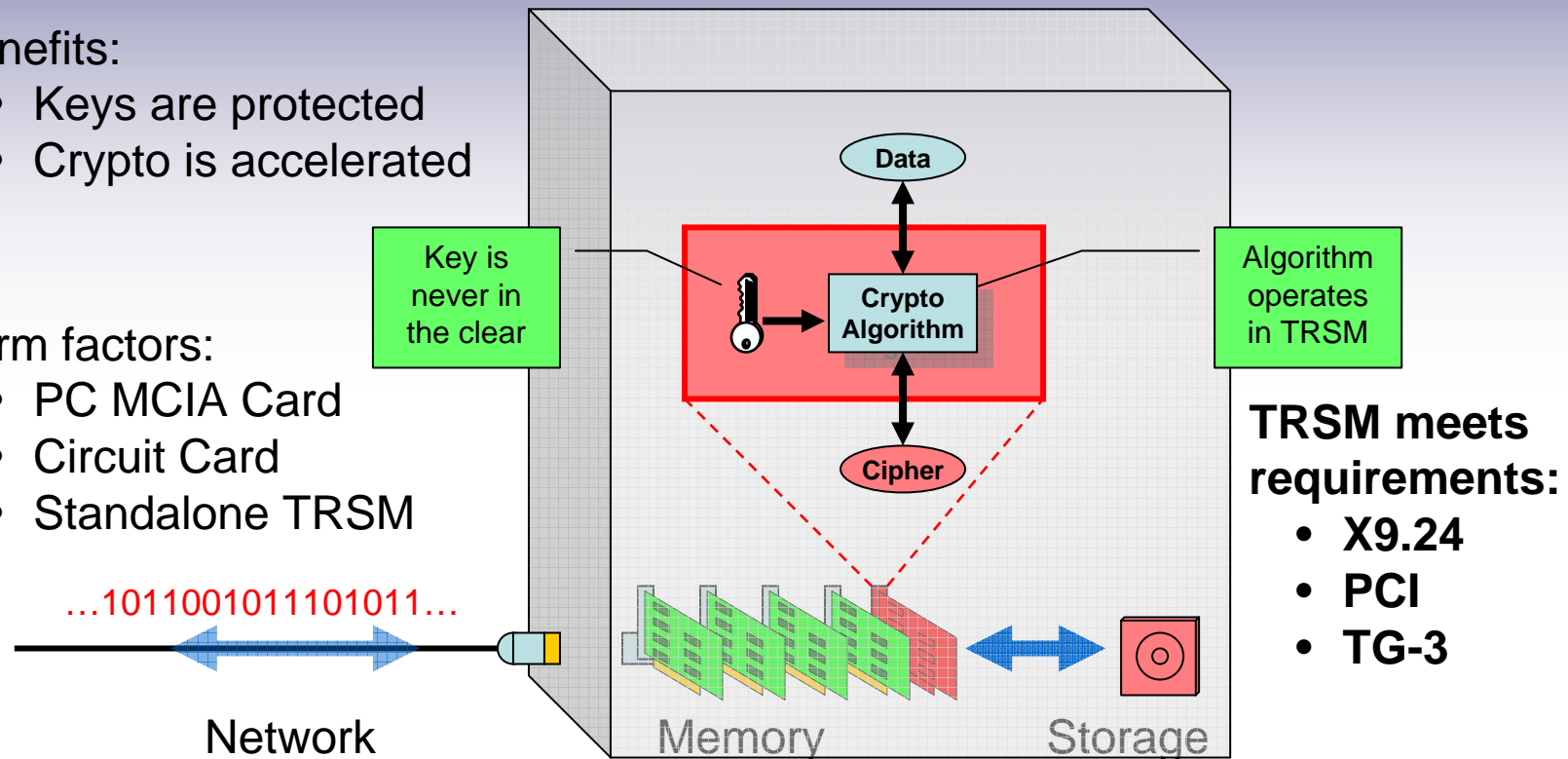
# Think Inside the Box...TRSM

## Benefits:

- Keys are protected
- Crypto is accelerated

## Form factors:

- PC MCIA Card
- Circuit Card
- Standalone TRSM



NOTE: TRSM key management is specific to TRSM manufacturer

# Summary

- Cryptography Realizations
  - Cryptography transitions are inevitable, require planning, challenging, feasible and worth doing well...
  - Cryptography is about protecting data
  - Key management is about protecting cryptographic keys
- TRSM (hardware) is the optimal solution
  - PCI does not specifically call for hardware (politics)
  - Associations mandate TRSM for PIN protection
  - Association do not (yet) mandate TRSM for data protection
- Political Realizations
  - Associations (MasterCard, Visa) have direct influence to financial institutions (Issuers - Cardholders, Acquirers - Merchants)
  - Associations have influence of merchants and cardholders
  - IMHO, PCI is a simplified rehash of the **SET** Secure Electronic Transaction Specification Book 1: Business Description Version 1.0 May 31, 1997
- **Questions?**