

## Woo and Lam Pi f

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**Summary:** One way authentication protocol with public keys and trusted server.

### Protocol specification (in common syntax)

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A, B, S : principal
shared : (principal, principal):key
Nb :      nonce

1..  A -> B : A
2..  B -> A : Nb
3..  A -> B : {A,B,Nb}shared(A, S)
4..  B -> S : {A, B, Nb, {A, B, Nb}shared(A, S)}shared(B, S)
5..  S -> B : {A, B, Nb}shared(B, S)
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### Description of the protocol rules

`shared(A, S)` is a long term symmetric key shared by A and S. Initially, A only knows `shared(A, S)` and the name of B, B only knows `shared(B, S)` and S knows all shared keys, i.e. S given any principal's name X, S knows `shared(X, S)`, or in other terms, S knows the "function" `shared`.

### Requirements

Woo and Lam give in [WL94] the following definition of correctness for this protocol:

whenever the principal B finishes the execution of the protocol, the initiator of the protocol execution is in fact the principal A claimed in message 1.

### References

[WL94], [CJ97].

### **Claimed proofs**

[WL94]

### **Claimed attacks**

No known attacks.

### **See also**

Woo and Lam Pi 1, Woo and Lam Pi 2, Woo and Lam Pi 3, Woo and Lam Pi.

### **Citations**

[CJ97] John Clark and Jeremy Jacob. A survey of authentication protocol literature : Version 1.0., November 1997.

[WL94] T. Y. C. Woo and S. S. Lam. A lesson on authentication protocol design. *Operating Systems Review*, 1994.