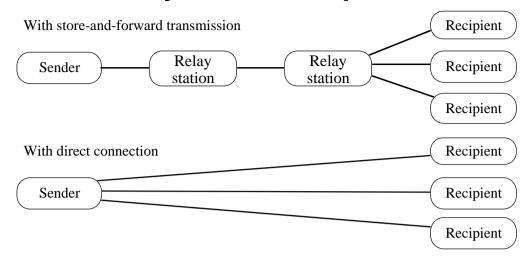
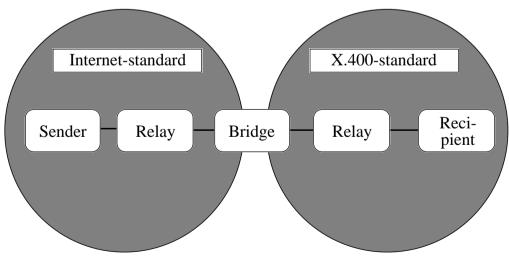
#### **Direct connection and store-and-forward**

# Sending computer Store-and-forward Sending computer Sending computer Receiving computer Receiving computer

# Many distant recipients



# Gateways' use of store-and-forward



# Store-and-forward pros and cons

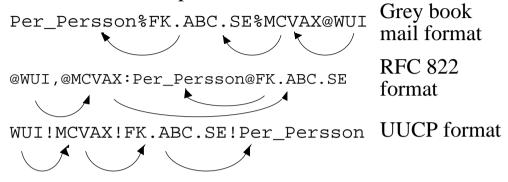
- + Distribution of tasks between specialized servers. But direct transmission can employ special routing information servers.
- + Reduced cost for message to many distant recipients.
- + Gateways usually store-and-forward-based.
- Reliability
- Can be more expensive because relayers must be paid.

#### Spooling - a limited kind of store-and-forward

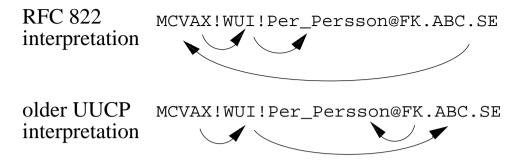
- No direct and immediate confirmation that the message has been delivered.
- + The sender need not wait during the transmission.
- + Temporary connection problems hidden from the user.

#### **Absolute and relative addresses**

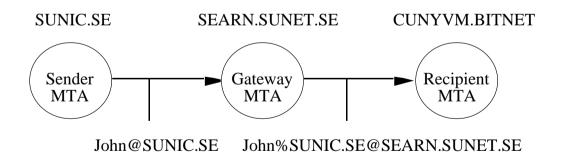
An *absolute address* is the same address for a certain recipient, irrespective of where the message is sent from. A *relative address* indicates one or more relay stations on the route to the recipients.



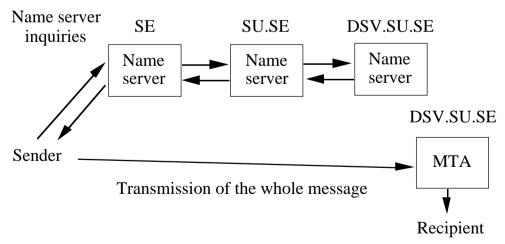
# Mixed relative addressing



#### Why gateways produce relative addresses



# Use of name servers for routing

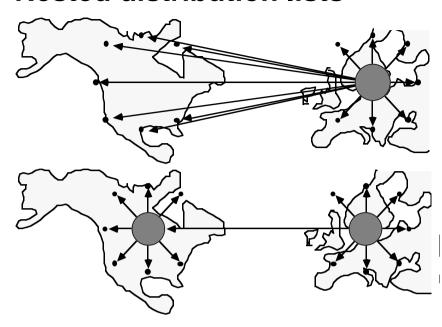


#### **PC-Server E-mail Architectures**

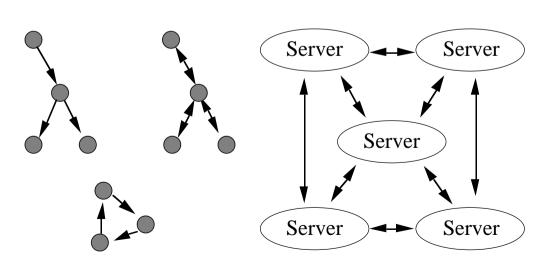
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Protocols: POP (3), IMAP (2, 3)

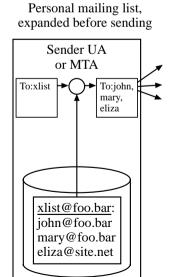
#### **Nested distribution lists**



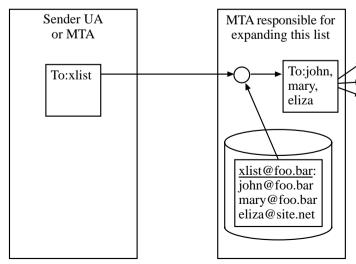
#### Modes of distribution to many recipients



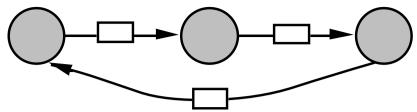
#### **Expansion of Nested Mailing Lists**



Shared mailing list, expanded at the MTA responsible for this mailing list



#### **Loop control for Nested Distribution Lists**



- (1) Full expansion by the originating UA or MTA.
- (2a) Trace list on the envelope, use to stop incoming messages.
- (2b) Trace list on the envelope, use to stop outgoing messages.
- (3) Registration system.
- (4a) Storing Message-ID-s with DL expanders.
- (4b) Storing content checksums with DL expanders.

X.400: Primarily 2a, Listserv: 4a and 4b, Usenet News: 4a

# List Headers (RFC 2369)

Meta-standard! Not specify a protocol, but specify how a mail header can specify a protocol for common actions on mailing lists:

List-Subscribe: <mailto:ietf-xml-mimerequest@imc.org?body=subscribe>

List-Unsubscribe: <mailto:ietf-xmlmime-request@imc.org?body=unsubscribe>

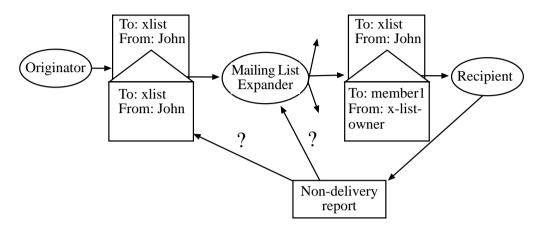
List-Help:List-Help://www.imc.org/ietf-xmlmime/>

List-Archive: <http://www.imc.org/ietfxml-mime/mail-archive/>

List-ID: <ietf-xml-mime.imc.org>

#### **Distribution Lists in Internet Mail**

- No standardized loop control for nested lists
- "-request"-convention
- SMTP sender = address of list maintainer
- Non-delivery reports sent to SMTP sender



# Public/secret key encryption

encrypted text =  $f_1$ (original text) original text =  $f_2$ (encrypted text) Can  $f_2$  be derived from  $f_1$ ?

#### Pros and cons of public key encryption

- + Solves partly key transportation problem
- More CPU-time consuming

### Authentication, authorization

- To verify the sender of a message
- Payments, agreements
- UA-UA or MTA-MTA



#### **Authentication methods**

- (a) Passwords
- (b) Specially designed networks
- (c) Public key cryptography

# **Digital Signatures and Digital Seals**

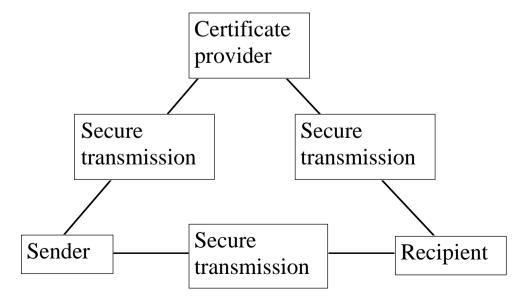
Methods: Secret key encryption of signature or checksum, which anyone can decrypt with public key

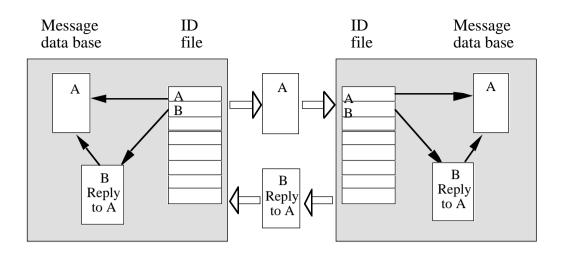
- Number of interactions
- Need of a neutral third party
- Bilateral or open to groups

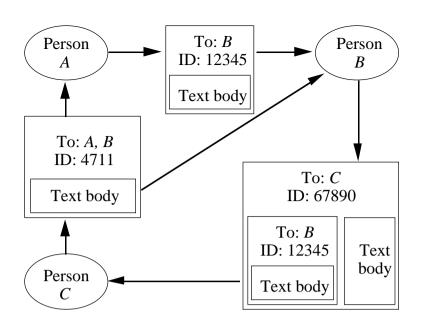
# Three levels of protection of message transmission:

- (1) The agents identify each other using noninvertible forms of ordinary passwords. This is called *weak* authentication.
- (2) The agents identify each other using public key encryption algorithms. This is called *strong* authentication.
- (3) Strong authentication is combined with encryption of all messages during the whole transmission.

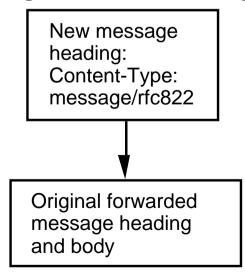
#### **Certificate Authorities**



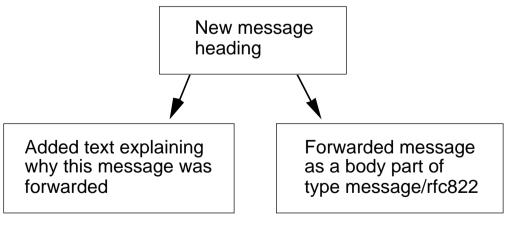




#### Forwarding with a MIME Message/rfc822



#### Forwarding with a MIME multipart message



#### Methods of e-mail forwarding

- (a) Add new Resent-headers to the original message. Example of a message header with Resent-headers:
- (b) The forwarded message is made into a body part of type message/rfc822 in a new multipart message:
- (c) The text of the forwarded message is simply copied into the text of the new message.

Which method is best if the forwarded message had a digital seal?

Server

I have 17, 18, 19 new

Send me 17, 18, 19

I have 18, 19, 20 new

Server

Send me 20

Distribution lists Usenet News distribution method

