

# The Computation Result Protection



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# Introduction



- What is the mobile agent?
- Why it is necessary to protect the result of computation carried by a mobile agent?
- Goal of this paper

# Notations (1)



$\Pi$	Code
$TTP$	Trusted Third Party
$\psi_i$	Protected list of already visited host at $S_i$
$S_0$	ID of the originator
$S_i$	ID of server $i$
$o_0$	Dummy offer from originator
$o_i$	An offer for $S_i$
$O_i$	An encapsulated offer from $S_i$
$O_0, O_1, \dots, O_n$	The chain of encapsulated offer
$r_i$	A nonce generated by $S_i$
$T_{S_i}$	Timestamp chosen by $S_i$
$H(m)$	A one-way collision resistant hash function

# Notations (2)



- $(v_i, \bar{v}_i)$  A public/private key pair of  $S_i$ .
- $(y_i, \bar{y}_i)$  A one time key pair to be used by  $S_i$ . The key pair is generated by  $S_{i-1}$ .
- $(\mu_i, \bar{\mu}_i)$  A one time key pair to be used by  $S_{i+1}$  and  $S_i$ . The key pair is generated by TTP.
- $(\sigma_i, \bar{\sigma}_i)$  A one time key pair to be used by  $S_{i+1}$  and  $S_i$ . The key pair is generated by  $S_i$ . When TTP is offline.
- $SiG_{v_i}^-(m)$  Signature of  $S_i$  on message  $m$ .
- $ENC_{v_i}(m)$  Message  $m$  encrypted with the key associated with  $S_i$ .

# Notations (3)



$S_0 \rightarrow S_1 : m$	$S_0$ sending the message $m$ to $S_1$
$\alpha_{S_i}, \alpha_{S_{i+1}}$	Random integer for ephemeral key chosen by $S_i$ and $S_{i+1}$ .
$t_{S_i}, t_{S_{i+1}}$	Ephemeral public key:
$Z_{S_i S_{i+1}}$	The share secret computed by $S_i$ and $S_{i+1}$ .
$K_{i,i+1}$	The session key calculated from key derivation function.
$G$	A subgroup of $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$ and $g$ a generator of $G$
$p$	A large prime
$q$	A prime with $q   p-1$

# Security Requirements



1. *Data Confidentiality*
2. *Non-Repudiability*
3. *Forward Privacy*
4. *Strong Forward Integrity*
5. *Insert Resilience*
6. *Truncation Resilience*

# Possible Attacks (1)



After capturing, an agent holds a chain  $O_0, O_1, \dots, O_m$   
The attacker might :

- *Modify*

$$O_0, O_1, O_2, O_3, \dots, O_m \longrightarrow O_0, O_1, O_2, O_3^M, \dots, O_m$$

- *Insert*

$$O_0, O_1, O_2, O_3, \dots, O_m \longrightarrow O_0, O_1, O_2, O_D^I, O_3, \dots, O_m$$

- *Delete*

$$O_0, O_1, O_2, O_3, \dots, O_m \longrightarrow O_0, O_3, \dots, O_m$$

# Possible Attacks (2)



- *Truncation*

$$O_0, O_1, O_2, O_3, \dots, O_m \longrightarrow O_0, O_1, O_2, O_3^T, \dots, O_{m-1}^T, O_m$$

- *Collusion\**

*There are at least two hosts who perform attacks, e.g. deletion, truncation, on the chain of encapsulated offer without being detected.*



# Overview of KAG protocol (P4)



## Assumption:

1. There is no Public Key Infrastructure.
2. Every visited host knows originator's public key.

- At the originator

1. Offer Encapsulation: at the originator

$$O_0 = \text{SIG}_{v_0}(\text{ENG}_{v_0}(o_0, r_0), h_0, y_1)$$
$$h_0 = H(r_0, S_1)$$

2. Agent Transmission:

$$S_0 \rightarrow S_1 : \Pi, O_0, [\overline{y_1}]$$

# Overview of KAG protocol (P4)



At host  $S_1$ :

- Encapsulated offer verification:

Host receives  $\Pi, O_0, [\overline{y_1}]$

1. By checking the encapsulated offer from originator  $O_0$

$$O_0 = SIG_{v_0}^{-1}(ENG_{v_0}(o_0, r_0), h_0, y_1)$$

- Offer Encapsulation :  $S_1$  should do as follows;

$$O_1 = SIG_{y_1}^{-1}(ENG_{v_0}(o_1, r_1), h_1, y_2)$$

$$h_1 = H(O_0, S_2)$$

# Overview of KAG protocol (P4)

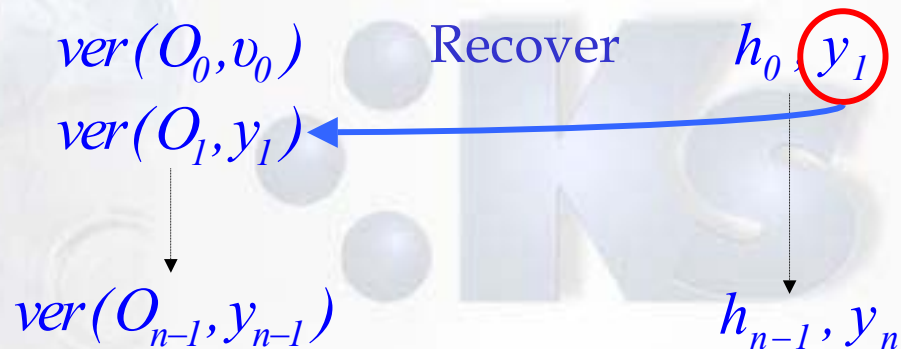


At host  $S_n$ :

- Encapsulated offer verification

Host receives  $\Pi, \{O_k \mid 0 \leq k \leq n-1\}, [\overline{y_n}]$

1. By checking the chain of encapsulated offers  $O_0, O_1, \dots, O_{n-1}$



- Offer Encapsulation :  $S_n$  should do as follows;

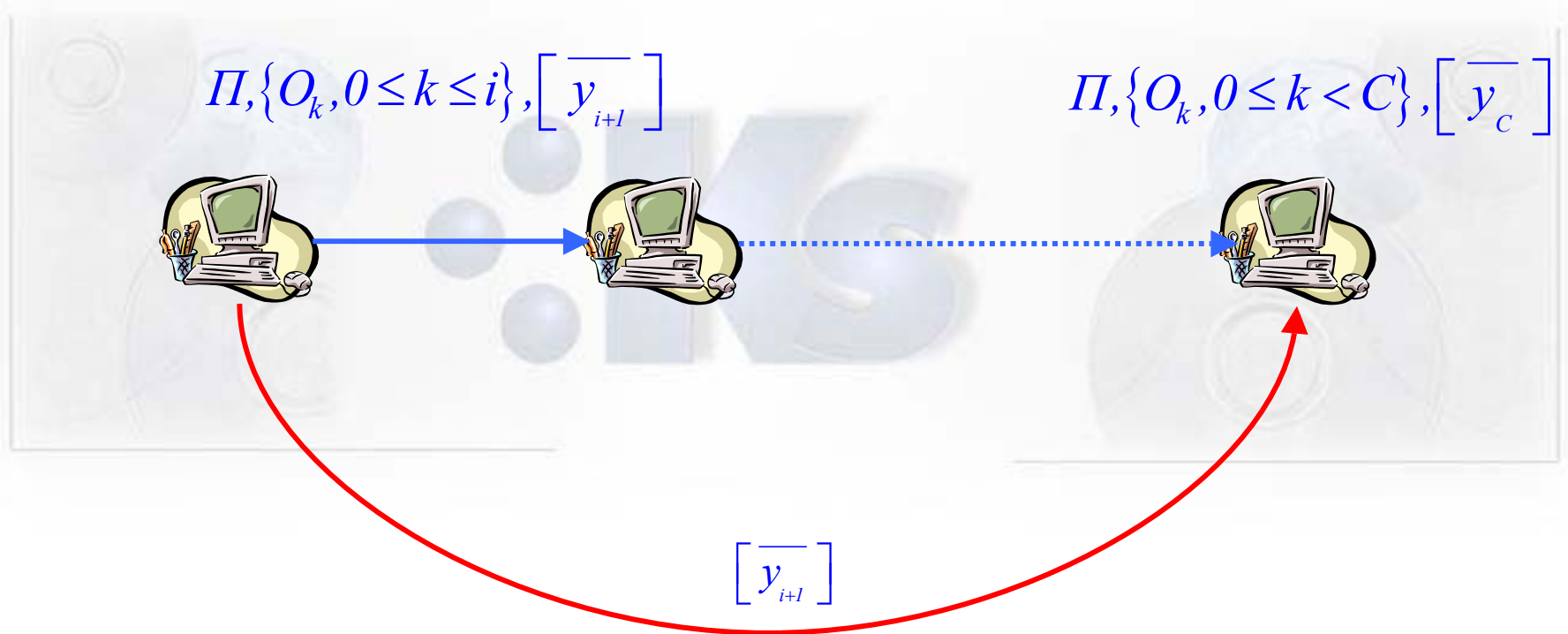
$$O_n = SIG_{y_n} (ENG_{v_0} (o_n, r_n), h_n, y_{n+1})$$

$$h_n = H(O_{n-1}, S_{n+1})$$

# Problem Statement



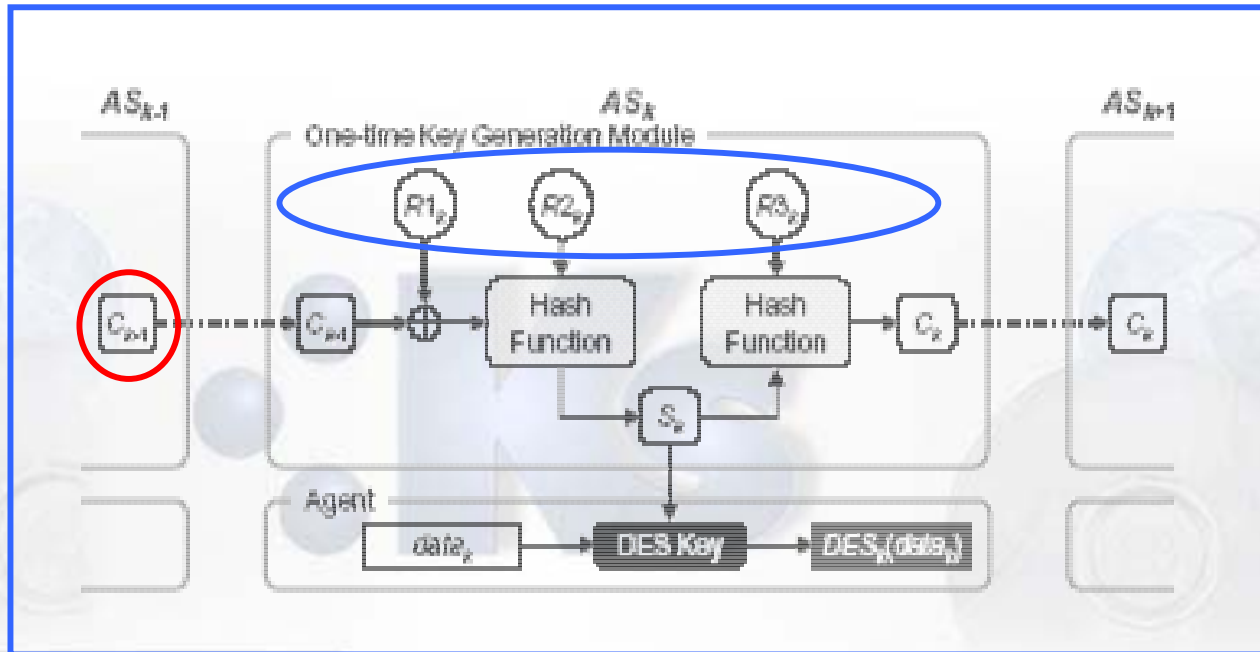
## 1. One time key pair generation problem



# Related Work



## Protocol OKGS [PARK01]





## Protocol T1

### Scenario "*Free Roaming Mobile Agent*"

#### Assumption:

1. There are 3 entities in this protocol
2. There is no PKI in this scenario.
3. Every visited host knows public key of originator and *TTP*
4. *TTP* is always online.
5. Both of originator and *TTP* know each other public keys.

# Protocol T1



Briefly description of the protocol T1:

- $S_i$  obtains the one time private key  $\overline{\mu}_i$  for signing its offer  $o_i$  under the constraint that only  $S_{i+1}$  will be its successor.
- $S_{i+1}$  receives the one time public key  $\mu_i$  for verification of the validity of  $S_i$ 's signature on its offer.
- **TTP** issues the one time public/private key pair and maintains the key list.

# Protocol T1 at $S_0$



## 1. Mutual Authentication:

It is adapted from the ISO/IEC 9798-3 three pass mutual authentication.

$$\begin{aligned} S_0 &\rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(r_0, v_0, S_0) \\ TTP &\rightarrow S_0 : ENC_{v_0}(SIG_{v_{TTP}}(r_0, r_{TTP}, S_0, TTP)) \\ S_0 &\rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(SIG_{v_0}(r_{TTP}, r_0, TTP)) \end{aligned}$$

Figure 1. Mutual Authentication Protocol



# Protocol T1 at $S_0$



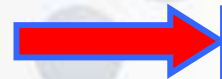
## 2. Key transportation protocol and Key list

Session 1:  
between  $S_0$  and TTP



$$S_0 \rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(S_0, S_1, T_{S_0})$$
$$TTP \rightarrow S_0 : ENC_{v_0}(SIG_{v_{TTP}}(S_0, S_1, \overline{\mu_0}, T_{S_0}, T_{TTP_{0,1}}))$$
$$S_0 \rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(SIG_{\mu_0}(S_0, S_1, T_{S_0}, T_{TTP_{0,1}}))$$

Session 2:  
between  $S_1$  and TTP



$$TTP \rightarrow S_1 : SIG_{v_{TTP}}(r_{TTP}, TTP)$$
$$S_1 \rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(SIG_{v_1}(S_1, TTP, r_1, r_{TTP}), v_1)$$
$$TTP \rightarrow S_1 : ENC_{v_1}(SIG_{v_{TTP}}(S_1, TTP, r_1, T_{TTP_{1,0}}, \mu_0, S_0))$$
$$S_1 \rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(ENC_{\mu_0}(S_1, TTP, r_1, T_{TTP_{1,0}}, S_0))$$

Figure 2. Key Transportation Protocol

# Protocol T1 at $S_0$



## 3. Key List generated by TTP

<i>Signer</i>	<i>Next host</i>	<i>Time of issue</i>	<i>Key pairs</i>
$S_0, v_0$	$S_1, v_1$	$T_{TTP_{1,0}}, T_{TTP_{0,1}}$	$(\mu_0, \bar{\mu}_0)$

Figure 3. Key List

## 4. Offer Encapsulation

$$O_0 = \text{SIG}_{\mu_0}(\text{ENC}_{v_0}(o_0, r_0), h_0)$$
$$h_0 = H(r_0, S_1)$$

Figure 4. Encapsulated Offer

# Protocol T1 at $S_0$



## *5. List of Visited Host*

$$\Psi_0 = ENC_{v_0} (SiG_{\mu_0} (S_0, S_1))$$

Figure 5. List of visited host

## *6. Agent Transmission*

$$S_0 \rightarrow S_1 : SiG_{v_0} (\Pi, T_{S_0}), O_0, \Psi_0$$

Figure 6. Agent Transmission

# Protocol T1 at $S_1$



- *At host  $S_1$*

1. Verification of agent's code and encapsulated offer  $O_0$ .

$SiG_{v_0}(\Pi, T_{S_0})$   By using the originator's public key.

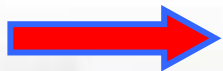
$O_0$   By using one time public key  $\mu_0$ .

# Protocol T1 at $S_1$



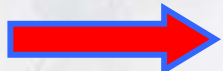
## 1. One time private key retrieving

$$S_1 \rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(S_1, S_2, T_{S_1})$$



$$TTP \rightarrow S_1 : ENC_{v_1}(SIG_{v_{TTP}}(S_1, S_2, \bar{\mu}_1, T_{S_1}, T_{TTP_{1,2}}))$$

$$S_1 \rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(SIG_{\mu_1}(S_1, S_2, T_{S_1}, T_{TTP_{1,2}}))$$



$$TTP \rightarrow S_2 : SIG_{v_{TTP}}(r_{TTP}, TTP)$$

$$S_2 \rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(SIG_{v_2}(S_2, TTP, r_2, r_{TTP}), v_2)$$

$$TTP \rightarrow S_2 : ENC_{v_2}(SIG_{v_{TTP}}(S_2, TTP, r_2, T_{TTP_{2,1}}, \mu_1, S_1))$$

$$S_2 \rightarrow TTP : ENC_{v_{TTP}}(ENC_{\mu_1}(S_2, TTP, r_2, T_{TTP_{2,1}}, S_1))$$

Figure 7. Key Retrieving

# Protocol T1 at S<sub>1</sub>



## 2. Offer Encapsulation

$$O_1 = \text{SIG}_{\mu_1}(\text{ENG}_{v_0}(o_0, r_0), h_1, S_0, \mu_0)$$
$$h_1 = H(O_0, S_2)$$

Figure 8. Encapsulated Offer

## 3. List of Visited host

$$\Psi_1 = \text{ENC}_{v_0}(\text{SIG}_{\mu_1}(S_0, S_1, S_2), \Psi_0)$$

Figure 9. List of visited host

# Protocol T1 at $S_1$



## 4. Key List Update at TTP

<i>Signer</i>	<i>Next host (Verifier)</i>	<i>Time of issue</i>	<i>Key pairs</i>
$S_0, v_0$	$S_1, v_1$	$T_{TTP_{1,0}}, T_{TTP_{0,1}}$	$(\mu_0, \overline{\mu_0})$
$S_1$	$S_2, v_2$	$T_{TTP_{2,1}}, T_{TTP_{1,2}}$	$(\mu_1, \overline{\mu_1})$

Figure 10. Key List Update

## 5. Agent Transmission

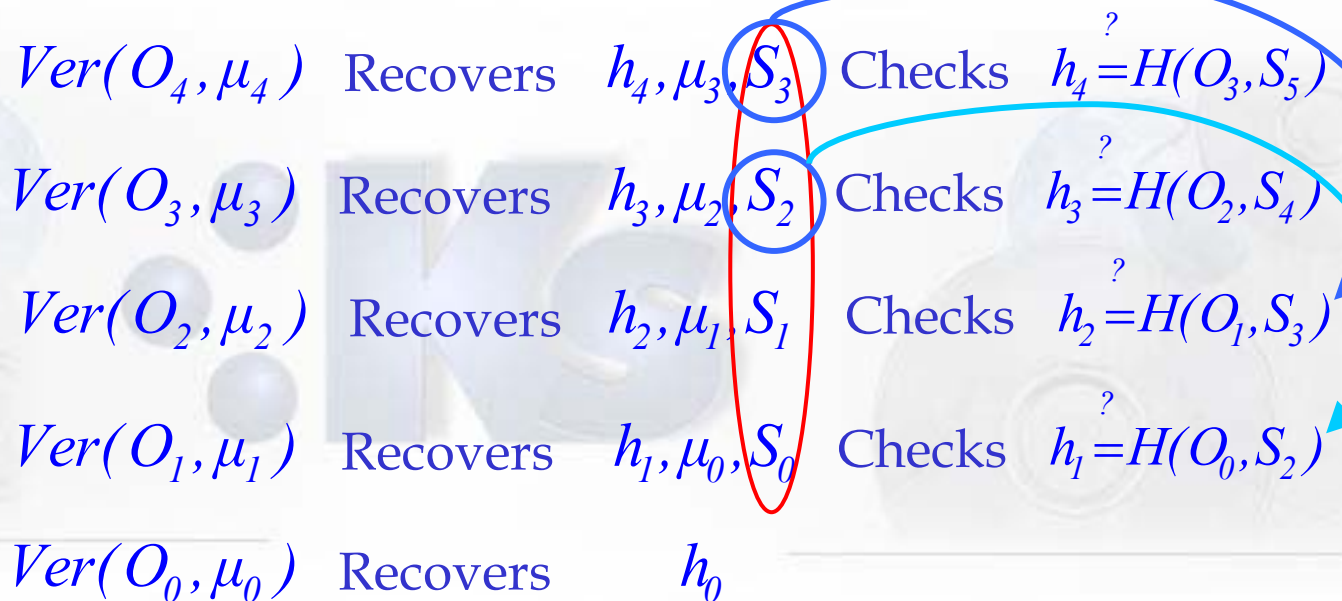
$$S_1 \rightarrow S_2 : SiG_{v_0}^{-1}(\Pi, T_{S_0}), \{O_0, O_1\}, \Psi_1$$

Figure 11. Agent Transmission

# Protocol T1 ( verification of the chain)



*Assume: The mobile agent arrives at host  $S_5$ .  $S_5$  receives  $\{O_0, O_1, O_2, O_3, O_4\}$ . The host performs as follows*





# Protocol T1 at $S_i$



- *Encapsulated offer:*

$$O_i = \text{SIG}_{\mu_i}^-(\text{ENG}_{v_0}(o_i, r_i), h_i, S_{i-1}, \mu_{i-1})$$
$$h_i = H(O_{i-1}, S_{i+1})$$

- *The list of visited host:*

$$\Psi_i = \text{ENC}_{v_0}(\text{SiG}_{\mu_i}^-(S_{i-1}, S_i, S_{i+1}), \Psi_{i-1})$$

- *Agent transmission:*

$$S_i \rightarrow S_{i+1} : \text{SiG}_{v_0}^-(\Pi, T_{S_0}), \{O_0, O_1, \dots, O_i\}, \Psi_i$$

# Protocol T2



## Scenario:

The protocol T2 is focused mainly on providing flexibility when dealing with a more realistic situation. For example, *TTP* is inactive when host requires for the key for signing an offer.

*" Each host will be granted a temporary authority to generate the one time key pair on ist own, only when the absence of TTP has been confirmed by its successor."*

# Protocol T2



Assumptions:

1. There is no shared key between  $S_i$  and  $S_{i+1}$ .
2. They have no knowledge of each other's public keys.

Protocol description  $S_i$  should do as follows:

- *Offline status of TTP generation* ( $OST_{S_i}$ )

# Protocol T2



- *Key agreement protocol and Mutual authentication*

*Step 1. Key agreement protocol based on Diffie-Hellman*

$$S_i \rightarrow S_{i+1} : S_i, LIST, r_i, t_{S_i}$$

$$S_{i+1} \rightarrow S_i : S_{i+1}, t_{S_{i+1}}, r_{i+1}$$

Figure 12. Key agreement protocol

$$Z_{S_i S_{i+1}} \text{ at } S_i = t_{S_{i+1}}^{\alpha_{S_0}} \text{ at } S_{i+1} = t_{S_i}^{\alpha_{S_{i+1}}}$$

$LIST = (p, q, g, G, \text{key derivation function})$

$$K_{i,i+1} = MAC_{r_i, r_{i+1}}(Z_{S_i S_{i+1}})$$

# Protocol T2



- *Mutual authentication*

*At  $S_i$ , it generates the message which contains its signature on MAC and Offline status of TTP*

$$S_i \rightarrow S_{i+1} : \text{SIG}_{v_i}(\text{MAC}_{K_{i,i+1}}(t_{S_i}, t_{S_{i+1}}, r_i, r_{i+1}, \text{List}, S_i), \text{OST}_{S_i}), \text{ENC}_{K_{i,i+1}}(v_i)$$

Figure 13. Mutual Authentication performed by  $S_i$

# Protocol T2



*At  $S_{i+1}$ , it generates the message which contains its signature on MAC and acknowledgement of TTP'offline status.*

$$S_{i+1} \rightarrow S_i : \text{SIG}_{v_{i+1}}^{T}(\text{MAC}_{K_{i,i+1}}(t_{S_i}, t_{S_{i+1}}, r_i, r_{i+1}, \text{List}, S_{i+1}), \text{ack}_{S_{i+1}}^T), \text{ENC}_{K_{i,i+1}}(v_{i+1})$$

Figure 14. Mutual Authentication performed by  $S_{i+1}$

$$\text{ack}_{S_{i+1}}^T = \text{TTP is inactive}$$

$$\text{ack}_{S_{i+1}}^F = \text{TTP is active}$$

# Protocol T2



- *Offer Encapsulation*

$$O_i = \text{SIG}_{\sigma_i}^-(\text{ENC}_{v_0}(o_i, r_i, \text{ack}_{S_{i+1}}^T, \text{OST}_{S_i}), h_i, S_{i-1}, \mu_{i-1}), \text{ENC}_{K_{i,i+1}}(\text{ENC}_{v_{i+1}}(\sigma_i))$$
$$h_i = H(O_{i-1}, S_{i+1})$$

- *The list of visited host*

$$\Psi_i = \text{ENC}_{v_0}(\text{SiG}_{\sigma_i}^-(S_{i-1}, S_i, S_{i+1}), \Psi_{i-1})$$

- *Agent Transmission*

$$S_i \rightarrow S_{i+1} : \text{SiG}_{v_0}^-(\Pi, T_{S_0}), \{O_0, O_1, \dots, O_i\}, \Psi_i$$

# Security Analysis



1. *Data Confidentiality*
2. *Non-Repudiability*
3. *Forward Privacy*
4. *Strong Forward Integrity*
5. *Insert Resilience*
6. *Truncation Resilience*



# Strength and Vulnerability of T1



- Strengths

1. *One time private key remains a secret between the host and the TTP.*
2. *The collusion attack can be detected and prevented by using the key list and the list of visited host.*
3. *Authentication procedure and key transportation scheme are secure against the impersonation attack.*

- Weaknesses

1. *The protocol introduces a high number of challenge response activities which lead to intervention of communication between the host and the TTP.*
2. *During the signing period, if there is an absence of TTP then the protocol cannot work.*

# Strength and Vulnerability of T2



- Strengths

1. *The execution of mobile agent can be proceeded during the absence of the TTP.*
2. *This protocol provides more flexibility than T1.*

- Weaknesses

1. *The protocol cannot efficiently defend against truncation attack.*
2. *The cost of computation is high due to Diffie-Hellman key exchange.*

# Improvement of the protocol



- *Provide the system with more than one TTP which can back up each other.*
- *Provide a set of legitimate hosts to be visited in case the TTP is unreachable.*



# Conclusion and Future work



- Conclusion

1. *The protocol T1 can detect and prevent collusion attack.*
2. *The protocol T2 cannot efficiently defend collusion attack but provide more flexibility than T1.*
3. *We use the combination of T1 and T2 increases the ability to detect and prevent collusion attack.*

- Future work

1. *Reduce a number of challenge responses in the protocol T1*
2. *Give the concrete solution of how to generate the evidence and the acknowledgement of TTP's inactiveness*
3. *Add on the function of updated result.*

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