

# Short Transitive Signatures for Directed Trees

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### How do we sign a graph?



## **Trivial solutions**

Let n = |G|, security parameter  $\kappa$ 

When adding a new node...

- Sign each edge
  - Time to sign: 0(1)
  - Size of signature:  $O(n\kappa)$  bits
- Sign each path
  - Time to sign (new paths): O(n)
  - Size of signature:  $O(\kappa)$  bits





### Transitive signature schemes [MR02,BN05,SMJ05]



### Landscape

- [MR02,BN05,SMJ05] for UNDIRECTED graphs
- Transitive Signatures for Directed Graphs (DTS) still OPEN
- [Hoh03] DTS  $\Rightarrow$  Trapdoor (

DTS ⇒ Trapdoor Groups with Infeasible Inversion







#### Transitive Signatures for Directed Trees



# **Previous Work**

- [Yi07]
  - Signature size:  $O(n \log(n \log n))$  bits
    - Better than  $O(n\kappa)$  bits for the trivial solution
  - RSA related assumption
- [Neven08]
  - Signature size:  $O(n \log n)$  bits
  - Standard Digital Signatures

#### $O(n \log n)$ bits still impractical

### **Our Results**

#### • For $\lambda \geq 1$

- Time to sign edge / verify path signature:
- Time to compute a path signature:
- Size of path signature:

 $egin{aligned} & m{O}(\lambda) \ & m{O}(\lambda(n/\kappa)^{1/\lambda}) \ & m{O}(\lambda\,\kappa) \ & ext{bits} \end{aligned}$ 

Examples	$\lambda = 1$	$\lambda = 2$	$\lambda = \log(n)$
Time to sign edge / verify path signature	<b>0</b> (1)	<b>0</b> (1)	<b>O</b> (log <b>n</b> )
Time to compute a path signature	$O(n/\kappa)$	$oldsymbol{O}(\sqrt{n/\kappa})$	<b>O</b> (log <b>n</b> )
Size of path signature	<b>0</b> ( <b>k</b> )	<b>0</b> ( <b>κ</b> )	$\boldsymbol{O}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} \log \boldsymbol{n})$

# Security [MR02]



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#### **BASIC CONSTRUCTION**

### Pre/Post Order Tree Traversal



Pre order: abcdefghijk

Post order: c e f g d b i j k h a

#### Property of Pre/Post order Traversal

• Proposition [Dietz82]

There is a path from **x** to **y** 

$$pos(x) < pos(y)$$
 in Pre  
 $pos(y) < pos(x)$  in Post



Pre order: a b c d e f g h i j k

Post order: c e f g d b i j k h a

#### Idea





Is there a path from *a* to *e*?



- Compute *pos(g)* in *Pre* and *Post*
- Sign *g*||7||4 and resign values that have changed





- Signature of a||1||11
- Signature of e||5||2



- Check signatures
- Check
  - 1 < 5
  - 11 > 2

 $G \xrightarrow{b} d \xrightarrow{i} j \xrightarrow{k}$ 

Position	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Pre	a	b	С	d	e	f	h	i	j	k	k	
Post	С	e	f	d	b	i	j	k	h	а	a	

How do we avoid recomputing a lot of signatures when an element is inserted?

### Order Data Structure

- Enables to
  - Insert elements dynamically
  - Compare them efficiently

#### • Definition [Dietz82, MR+02]

- -ODInsert(X, Y)
- -ODCompare(X, Y)

#### Trivial Order Data Structure A Toy Example



#### For n insertions we need to handle n bits



### **Trivial Order Data Structure**



- Signature of size O(n)
- Better than  $O(n \log n)$  [Neven08], but still room for improvement. ightarrow



- compress the strings
- efficiently compare them from their hashes

### HASHING WITH COMMON PREFIX PROOFS

# The Idea





We want: *H* collision resistant hash function + proofs



# Security $HGen(1^{\kappa}, n) \rightarrow PK \longrightarrow (A, B, i, \pi)$

$$Adv(A) = \Pr\begin{bmatrix} HCheck(H(A), H(B), \pi, i, PK) = True \\ \land \\ A[1..i] \neq B[1..i] \end{bmatrix}$$

#### n-BDHI assumption [BB04]

$$e: G \times G \rightarrow G_T$$
  

$$s \leftarrow Z_p$$
  

$$g \text{ generator of } G$$
  

$$(g^s, g^{s^2}, \dots, g^{s^n})$$



### The hash function

•  $HGen(1^{\kappa}, n)$ 

 $(\boldsymbol{p}, \boldsymbol{G}, \boldsymbol{G}_{T}, \boldsymbol{e}, \boldsymbol{g}) \leftarrow BMGen(1^{\kappa})$  $\boldsymbol{s} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{Z}_{p}$  $\boldsymbol{T} = (\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\boldsymbol{S}}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\boldsymbol{S}^{2}}) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\boldsymbol{S}^{n}})$ 

$$T:=(g^3,g^3,\ldots,g^3)$$

return 
$$PK$$
:=  $(p, G, G_T, e, g, T)$ 

• *HEval*(*M*, *PK*)

$$H(M) := \prod_{i=1}^{n} g^{M[i]s^{i}}$$

Toy example:  $M = 1001 \Rightarrow H(M) = g^s \cdot g^{s^4}$ 

### **Generating & Verifying Proofs**

- A = A[1..n] = 1000111001
- B = B[1..n] = 1000101100

• 
$$\Delta := \frac{H(A)}{H(B)} = \frac{g^{s}g^{s^{5}}g^{s^{6}}g^{s^{7}}g^{s^{10}}}{g^{s}g^{s^{5}}g^{s^{7}}g^{s^{8}}} = g^{s^{6}}g^{-s^{8}}g^{s^{10}}$$

•  $\Delta = \prod_{j=1}^{n} g^{C[j]s^j}$  with C = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, -1, 0, 1]

### **Generating & Verifying Proofs**

- $\Delta = \prod_{j=1}^{n} g^{C[j]s^{j}}$  with C = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, -1, 0, 1]
- "Remove" factor  $s^{i+1}$  in the exponent without knowing s

$$\pi \coloneqq \Delta^{\frac{1}{s^{i+1}}} = \prod_{j=i+1}^{n} g^{C[j]s^{j-i-1}} = g g^{-s^2} g^{s^4}$$

• Check the proof :  $e(\pi, g^{s^{i+1}}) = e(\Delta, g)$ 

# Security

• Proposition:

If the n-BDHI assumption holds then the previous construction is a secure HCPP family.

• Proof (idea)

$$\begin{array}{rcl} A &=& 100010 \\ B &=& 101001 \\ i &=& 3 \end{array}$$

$$H(A) = g^{s} g^{s^{5}}$$

$$H(B) = g^{s} g^{s^{3}} g^{s^{6}}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{H(A)}{H(B)} = g^{-s^{3}} g^{s^{5}} g^{-s^{6}}$$

$$\pi = \Delta^{\frac{1}{s^{4}}} = g^{-1/s} g^{s} g^{s^{2}}$$

#### **CRHF** is incremental

A = 1000 B = 10001 $H(B) = H(A) g^{s5}$ 

It's fast to compute H(B) from H(A)(we don't need the preimage A)

### **Comparing strings**

•  $A < B \Leftrightarrow CommonPrefix(A, B, i) \land A[i+1] < B[i+1]$ 

E.g: 
$$A = 10001$$
  
 $B = 10010$   $C = 100$ 

• Check:

 $e(H(A)/H(C),g) = e(\pi_1, g^{s^4})$  $e(H(B)/H(C),g) = e(\pi_2, g^{s^4})$  $e(H(C)H(0^3||0)/H(A),g) = e(\pi_{3,g}s^5)$  // C||0 is a prefix of A  $e(H(C)H(0^3||1)/H(B),g) = e(\pi_{4}, g^{s^5})$ 0 < 1

// C is a prefix of A // C is a prefix of B //C||1 is a prefix of B

#### **FULL CONSTRUCTION**

### **Trivial Order Data Structure**



Signer has to compute new labels before hashing them  $\Rightarrow$  Time to sign an edge still O(n).



New Order Data Structure:
 *ODInsert(X,Y)* s.t. new label Z
 *shares every bit except one* with X or Y

#### New Order Data Structure



Use a binary tree to obtain an «incremental» order data structure



 $L(a) = \varepsilon$ L(b) = 1L(c) = 11L(d) = 0L(e) = 01

0 < \$ < 1  $L(d) = 0\$ < L(a) = \varepsilon\$$  L(d) = 0\$ < L(b) = 1\$ L(b) = 1\$ < L(c) = 11\$ $L(e) = 01\$ < L(a) = \varepsilon\$$ 





Is there a path from *a* to *d*?













- $$\begin{split} M_{a} &= a || H(\varepsilon) || H(\varepsilon) \\ M_{b} &= b || H(1) || H(0) \\ M_{c} &= c || H(11) || H(00) \\ M_{d} &= d || H(111) || H(001) \end{split}$$
- $Verify(M_a, \sigma_a, \checkmark)$
- $Verify(M_d, \sigma_d, \checkmark)$



• Use HCheck with  $\pi_{Pre}$  and  $\pi_{Post}$   $LPre(a) = \varepsilon$  < 111= LPre(d)LPost(d) = 001 $< \varepsilon$ = LPost(a)



#### Trade off

$$n = 54, \quad \kappa = 2, \quad \Sigma = \{a, b, c, d\}$$
  
 $n/\kappa = 54/2 = 27$   
 $\lambda = 3 \Rightarrow (n/\kappa)^{1/\lambda} = 3$ 



# **Conclusion and Open Problems**

- Efficient transitive signature scheme for directed trees
- Possible to balance the time to compute and to verify the proof
- Based on a general new primitive HCPP
- New constructions / applications for HCPP
- Can we improve the trade off?
- Stateless transitive signatures for directed trees
   Thank you!

#### Short Attribute-Based Signatures for Threshold Predicates

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#### Some history: IBE $\rightarrow$ fuzzy IBE $\rightarrow$ ABE



**Identity Based Encryption** (Shamir, 1984)

fuzzy Identity Based Encryption (Sahai-Waters, 2005)

(Threshold) Attribute Based Encryption (Goyal et al., 2006)

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#### (Threshold) Attribute Based Signatures

The key of user U is associated with some attributes  $sk_U \longleftrightarrow S_U = \{at_1, \dots, at_m\}$ 

Each signature  $\sigma$  associated with a **predicate**  $\Gamma = (S, t)$  or **signing policy**, where

$$\begin{split} & \mathcal{S} = \{ \mathsf{at}_{i_1}, \dots, \mathsf{at}_{i_s} \} & \text{the set of attributes of } \Gamma \\ & t \in \mathbb{N}, \ 1 \leq t \leq s. \end{cases} & \text{is the threshold of } \Gamma. \end{split}$$

If  $\sigma$  is correctly verified then the signer's secret key  $sk_U$  is such that  $|S_U \cap S| \ge t$ .

#### **General** Attribute Based Signatures

The key of user *U* is associated with some attributes  $sk_U \leftrightarrow S_U = \{at_1, \dots, at_m\}$ 

Each signature  $\sigma$  is associated with a **predicate**  $\Gamma$  which maps any set of attributes to  $\{0, 1\}$ .

If  $\sigma$  is correctly verified then the signer's secret key sk<sub>U</sub> satisfies that  $\Gamma(S_U) = 1$ .

APPLICATIONS: proving you are entitled to something but not saying **who** you are: anonymous credentials & access control..

- ABS.Setup(1<sup>λ</sup>, U<sup>\*</sup>) → (params, msk): Run by master entity on input U<sup>\*</sup>, the universe of attributes. The string params includes a description of admissible signing policies.
- ABS.Ext(params, U, msk) → sk<sub>U</sub>: user U proves to master entity possession of his attributes S<sub>U</sub> and gets sk<sub>U</sub>.
- ABS.Sign(params, sk<sub>U</sub>, Γ, M) → σ: signer chooses an admissible signing policy Γ, such that Γ(S<sub>U</sub>) = 1.
- ABS.Vrfy(params,  $\sigma$ ,  $\Gamma$ )  $\rightarrow$  *b*: outputs 1 iff  $\sigma$  is valid.

**Correctness** If  $\sigma \leftarrow ABS.Sign(params, sk_U, \Gamma, M)$  and  $\Gamma(S_U) = 1$ , then the verification outputs 1.



Construct ABS schemes which

- admit large families of admissible signing policies (expressive signing policies),
- while providing strong security guarantees (security)
- and good performance (efficiency)

In practice there is a tradeoff between these properties....

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#### Unforgeability against selective predicate and adaptive message attack

**Initialize:** Adversary A outputs ( $S^*$ ,  $t^*$ ).

**Setup:** Challenger C runs Setup, gives params to A.

**Queries:** Adaptatively, A can request:

- Secret key queries for any user U such that  $|sk_U \cap S^*| < t^*$ .
- Signature queries for any  $\langle M, U, (S, t) \rangle$ .

**Output:** A outputs a tuple ( $\sigma^*, M^*$ )

A wins if the signature is a non-trivial forgery for  $(S^*, t^*)$ .

We also consider **privacy** of attributes: the signature does not leak which subset of size *t* of *S* was used to sign.

#### Our results

We give two constructions of ABS:

- with constant size signatures
- having unforgeability against selective predicate and adaptive message attacks
- for threshold access policies but extendable to larger families of predicates

Our result shows that **specific families** of predicates allow for more compact signatures.

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J. Herranz, F. Laguillaumie, C. Ràfols. Constant-size ciphertexts in threshold attribute-based encryption. In PKC'10.

Starting from ABE scheme with constant-size ciphertexts, the idea is to prove the ability to decrypt,

For this we use a technique of Malkin et al. (2011):

- Use Groth-Sahai zero-knowledge proofs,
- BUT, to link the proof to the message create a message dependent common reference string.

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#### More specifically...

ABS.Setup chooses random generators  $g_1, g_2 \leftarrow \mathbb{G}$  and defines  $\overrightarrow{g_1} = (g_1, 1, g)^{\top}, \overrightarrow{g_2} = (1, g_2, g)^{\top} \in \mathbb{G}^3$  and  $\{\overrightarrow{g_{3,i}} = \overrightarrow{g_1}^{\xi_{i,1}} \cdot \overrightarrow{g_2}^{\xi_{i,2}}\}_{i=0}^k$ , for random  $\xi_{i,1}, \xi_{i,2}$ .

params include 
$$\overrightarrow{g_1}$$
,  $\overrightarrow{g_2}$ ,  $\{\overrightarrow{g_{3,i}}\}_{i=0}^k$ , where we write  $\overrightarrow{g_{3,i}}$  as  $(g_{X,i}, g_{Y,i}, g_{Z,i})^\top$ .

ABS.Sign computes  $H(M, \Gamma) = m_1 \dots m_k \in \{0, 1\}^k$ , where *H* is Water's hash function and then computes the GS CRS related to this value:  $\overrightarrow{g}_{3,\mathbf{m}} = (g_{X,0} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k g_{X,i}^{m_i}, g_{Y,0} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k g_{Y,i}^{m_i}, g_{Z,0} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k g_{Z,i}^{m_i})^\top$ .

Signer knows  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$  which satisfy a pairing product equation: prove knowledge with CRS  $(\vec{g}_1, \vec{g}_2, \vec{g}_{3,m})$ .

#### Idea of security proof...

Under DLIN,  $\overrightarrow{g_1}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{g_2}$ ,  $\{\overrightarrow{g_{3,i}}\}_{i=0}^k$ , is indistinguishable from some other set of vectors where  $\overrightarrow{g_1}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{g_2}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{g_{3,i}}$  are lin. ind. for all  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, k\}$ .

With this other set of vectors we have a CRS which corresponds to the simulation setting of the DLIN instantiation of Groth Sahai proofs.

In the simulation setting we can answer signing queries. adaptive message, DLIN

Secret key queries simulated as in the underlying ABE scheme. selective predicate, aMSE-CDH problem

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N. Attrapadung, B. Libert, E. de Panafieu. Expressive key-policy attribute-based encryption with constant-size ciphertexts. In PKC'11.

Similar ideas:

- selective predicate security also inherited from underlying ABE.
- adaptive message comes from using Water's hash function as H(M, Γ),
- security proof avoids Groth Sahai ZK proofs (efficiency gain in size of ciphertexts)

(Daza et al. 2011) Scheme can be extended to a much larger class of predicates: like hierarchical or compartmented. Good tradeoff efficiency/expression of signing policies.

#### Summary: Main features of our construction

#### **1st construction**

- Signature: 15 group elements; Key of user U: n + |S<sub>U</sub>| group elements, n bound on maximal size of signing policy.
- Unforgeability: DLIN + aMSE-CDH problems.
- Privacy of attributes: DLIN.
- Limited extension to weighted threshold access structures.

#### 2nd construction

- Signature: 3 group elements; Key size of user U: (2n + 2) × (|S<sub>U</sub>| + n).
- Unforgeability: *n*-Diffie-Hellman Exponent problem.
- Privacy of attributes: Unconditional.
- Hierarchical access structures, compartmented access structures (Daza et al, 2011).