

Source Anonymous Message authentication on Elliptic Curve in Mobile Ad Hoc Network

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Abstract: - Security and protection of private user information are a prerequisite for the deployment of the mobile network technologies. However, the establishment of secure communication architecture within mobile ad hoc networks encounter special challenges, due to the trait and specific cities of such environment. A number of secure authentication schemes based on asymmetric cryptography have been proposed to prevent such attacks. In this paper, security of private user information is provided by a hybrid technology, merging SAMAC (Source Anonymous Message Authentication Code) with Elliptical curve cry topography algorithm. Using this interesting issues arising in such MANETs by designing an anonymous routing framework (ALERT) extended to key server management and digital signature algorithm. It uses nodes' current locations to construct a secure MANET. Based on the current location, each node can decide which other relay nodes it wants to communicate with.

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I Introduction

Rapid development of Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs) has stimulated numerous wireless applications that can be used in a wide number of areas such as commerce, emergency services, military, education, and entertainment. MANETs feature self-organizing and independent infrastructures, which make them an ideal choice for uses such as communication and information sharing. Because of the openness and decentralization features of MANETs, it is usually not desirable to constrain the membership of the nodes in the network. Nodes in MANETs are vulnerable to malicious entities that aim to tamper and analyze data and traffic analysis by communication eavesdropping or attacking routing protocols. Although anonymity may not be a requirement in civil oriented applications, it is critical in military applications (e.g., soldier communication).

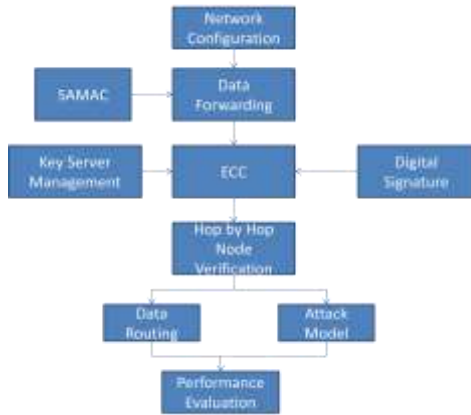
Consider a MANET deployed in a battlefield. Through traffic analysis, enemies may intercept transmitted packets, track our soldiers (i.e., nodes), attack the commander nodes, and block the data transmission by comprising relay nodes (RN), thus putting us at a tactical disadvantage.

We propose an unconditionally secure and efficient source anonymous message authentication scheme (SAMAC). The main idea is that for each message m to be released, the message sender, or the sending node, generates a source anonymous message authenticator for the message m . The generation is based on the MES scheme on elliptic curves. For a ring signature, each ring member is required to compute a forgery signature for all other members in the AS. In our scheme, the entire SAMAC generation requires only three steps, which link all non-senders and the message sender to the SAMAC alike. In addition, our

design enables the SAMAC to be verified through a single equation without individually verifying the signatures.

II Proposed Work

A. System Model



B. Proposed MES Scheme on Elliptic Curves

Let $p > 3$ be an odd prime. An elliptic curve E is defined by an equation of the form:

$E : y^2 = x^3 + ax + b \pmod{p}$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{F}_p$, and $4a^3 + 27b^2 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$. The set $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ consists of all points $(x, y) \in \mathbb{F}_p$ on the curve, together with a special point O , called the point at infinity.

Let $G = (x_G, y_G)$ be a base point on $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ whose order is a very large value N . User A selects a random integer $d_A \in [1, N-1]$ as his private key. Then, he can compute his public key QA from $QA = d_A \times G$.

Signature generation algorithm:

For Alice to sign a message m , she follows these steps:

- 1) Select a random integer k_A , $1 \leq k_A \leq N-1$.
- 2) Calculate $r = x_A \pmod{N}$, where $(x_A, y_A) = k_A G$. If $r = 0$, go back to step 1.
- 3) Calculate $h_A \leftarrow {}^l h(m, r)$, where h is a cryptographic hash function, such as SHA-1, and $\leftarrow {}^l$ denotes the l leftmost bits of the hash.
- 4) Calculate $s = rd_A h_A + k_A \pmod{N}$. If $s = 0$, go back to step 2.
- 5) The signature is the pair (r, s) .

Signature verification algorithm:

For Bob to authenticate Alice's signature, he must have a copy of her public key QA , then he:

- 1) Checks that $QA \neq O$, otherwise invalid
- 2) Checks that QA lies on the curve
- 3) Checks that $nQA = O$

After that, Bob follows these steps to verify the signature:

- 1) Verify that r and s are integers in $[1, N-1]$. If not, the signature is invalid.
- 2) Calculate $hA \leftarrow {}^l h(m, r)$, where h is the same function used in the signature generation.
- 3) Calculate $(x_1, x_2) = sG - rh_A QA \pmod{N}$.
- 4) The signature is valid if $r = x_1 \pmod{N}$, invalid otherwise.

In fact, if the signature is correctly generated, then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x_1, x_2) &= sG - rh_A QA \\
 &= (rd_A h_A + k_A)G - rh_A QA \\
 &= k_A G + rh_A QA - rh_A QA \\
 &= k_A G.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have $x_1 = r$, and the verifier should Accept the signature.

Suppose that the message sender (say Alice) wishes to transmit a message m anonymously from her network node to any other nodes. The AS includes n members, $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$.

e.g., $S = \{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$, where the actual message sender Alice is A_t , for some value t , $1 \leq t \leq n$. In this paper, we will not distinguish between the node A_i and its public key Q_i . Therefore, we also have $S = \{Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_n\}$.

Authentication generation algorithm:

Suppose m is a message to be transmitted. The private key of the message sender Alice is d_t , $1 \leq t \leq n$. To generate an efficient SAMAC for message m , Alice performs the following three steps:

- 1) Select a random and pairwise different k_i for each $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, $i \neq t$ and compute r_i from $(r_i, y_i) = k_i G$.
- 2) Choose a random $k_t \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ and compute r_t from $(r_t, y_t) = k_t G + \sum_{i \neq t} r_i h_i Q_i$ such that $r_t \neq 0$ and $r_t \neq r_i$ for any $i \neq t$, where $h_i \leftarrow h(m, r_i)$.
- 3) Compute $s = kt + \sum_{i \neq t} k_i + r_t d t h t \bmod N$.

The SAMAC of the message m is defined as:

$$S(m) = (m, S, r_1, y_1, \dots, r_n, y_n, s).$$

Verification algorithm:

For Bob to verify an alleged

SAMAC $(m, S, r_1, y_1, \dots, r_n, y_n, s)$, he must have a copy of

the public keys $Q_1, \dots, Q_n$. Then he:

- 1) Checks that $Q_i \neq O$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, otherwise invalid
- 2) Checks that Q_i , $i = 1, \dots, n$ lies on the curve
- 3) Checks that $nQ_i = O$, $i = 1, \dots, n$

After that, Bob follows these steps:

- 1) Verify that r_i, y_i , $i = 1, \dots, n$ and s are integers in $[1, N-1]$. If not, the signature is invalid.
- 2) Calculate $h_i \leftarrow h(m, r_i)$, where h is the same function used in the signature generation.
- 3) Calculate $(x_0, y_0) = sG - \sum_{i=1}^n r_i h_i Q_i$
- 4) The signature is valid if the first coordinate of $\sum_i x_i y_i$ equals x_0 , invalid otherwise.

In fact, if the SAMAC has been correctly generated without being modified, then we compute:

$$\begin{aligned} (x_0, y_0) &= sG - \sum_{i=1}^n r_i h_i Q_i \\ &= (kt + \sum_{i \neq t} k_i + r_t d t h t)G - \sum_i r_i h_i Q_i \\ &= \sum_{i \neq t} k_i G + (ktG - \sum_{i \neq t} r_i h_i Q_i) \\ &= \sum_{i \neq t} r_i y_i + (r_t, y_t) \\ &= \sum_i r_i y_i \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the verifier should always Accept the SAMAC.

Remark 1. It is apparent that when $n = 1$, SAMAC becomes a simple signature algorithm.

III Security Analysis

In this subsection, we will prove that the proposed SAMAC scheme can provide unconditional source anonymity and provable unforgeability against adaptive chosen-message attacks.

1) Anonymity: In order to prove that the proposed SAMAC can ensure unconditional source anonymity, we have to prove that: (i) for anybody other than the members of S , the probability to successfully identify the real sender is $1/n$, and (ii) anybody from S can generate SAMACs.

2) Unforgeability: The design of the proposed SAMAC relies on the ElGamal signature scheme. Signature schemes can achieve different levels of security. Security against existential forgery under adaptive-chosen message attacks is the maximum level of security. In this section, we will prove that the proposed SAMAC is secure against existential forgery under adaptive-chosen message attacks in the random oracle model [21]. The security of our result is based on elliptic curve cryptography (ECC), which assumes that the computation of discrete logarithms on elliptic curves is computationally infeasible. In other words, no efficient algorithms are known for non-quantum computers. Therefore, we can compute the elliptic curve discrete logarithm of Q_j in base G with non-negligible probability, which contradicts the assumption that it is computationally infeasible to compute the elliptic discrete logarithm of Q_j in base G . Therefore, it is computationally infeasible for any adversary to forge a valid SAMAC.

IV Results

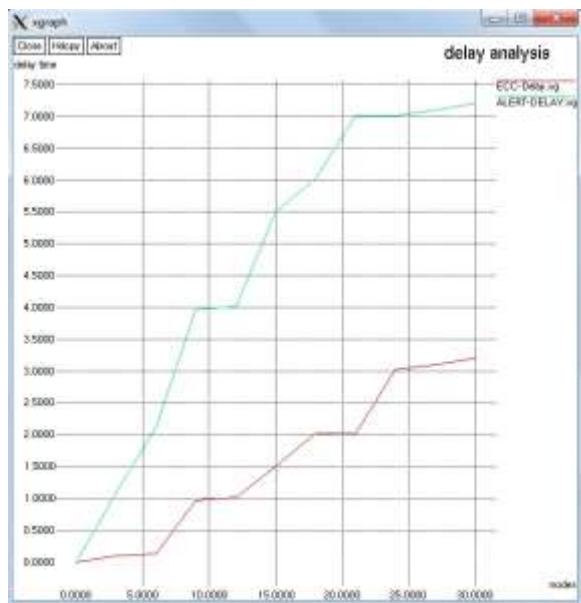


Fig. 1 Delay Analysis

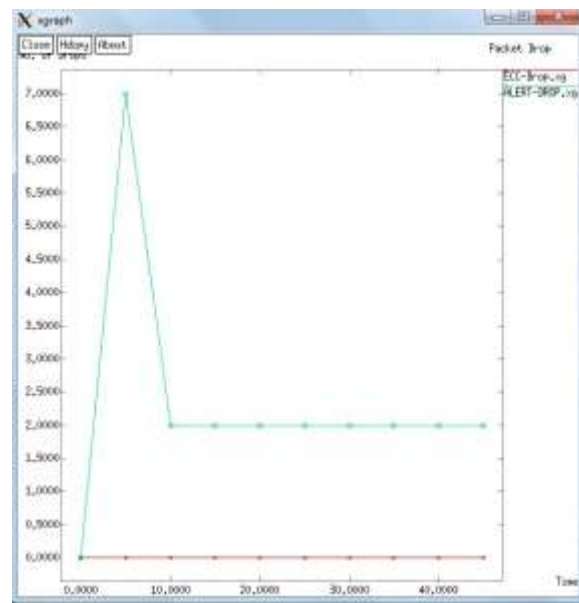


Fig.3 Packet Drop

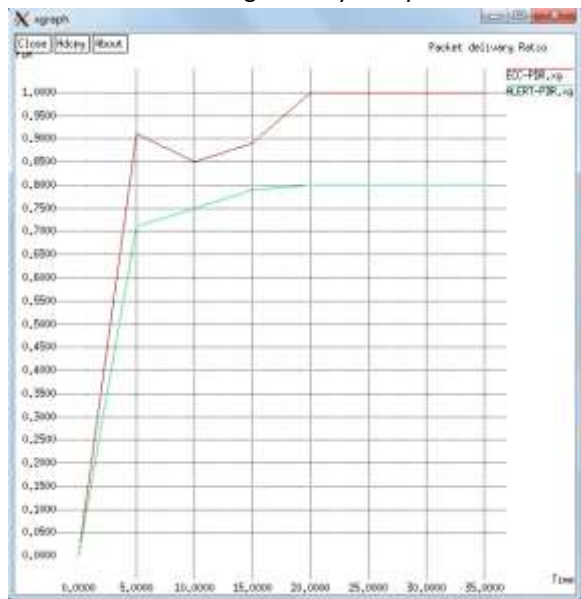


Fig.2 Packet Delivery Ratio

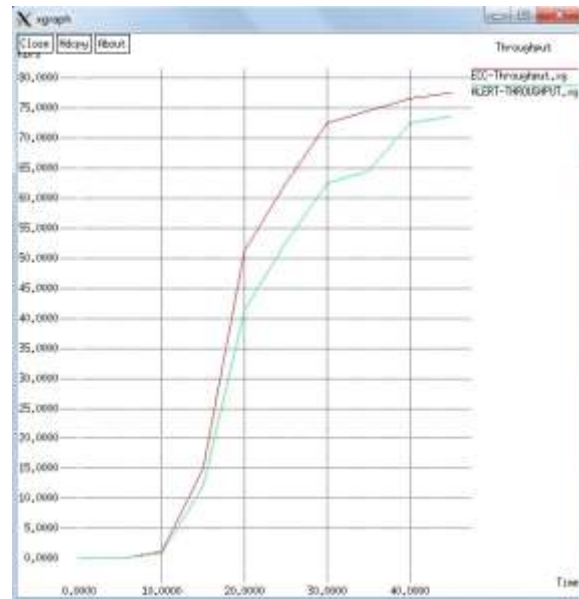


Fig.4 Throughput

V Conclusion

Message authentication has always been a major threat to the security in wireless sensor Networks. A Novel and efficient source anonymous message authentication scheme based on ECC to provide message content authenticity. To provide hop by hop message authentication without the weakness of the built in threshold of the polynomial based scheme. SAMAC based on ECC compared it against other popular mechanisms in different scenarios through simulations and TelosB. Simulations results indicate that it

greatly increases the effort of an attacker, but it requires proper models for every application. Proposed scheme is more efficient than the bivariate polynomial-based scheme in terms of computational overhead, energy consumption, delivery ratio, message delay, and memory consumption.

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