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Traitor Tracing Schemes for Digital Content Protection

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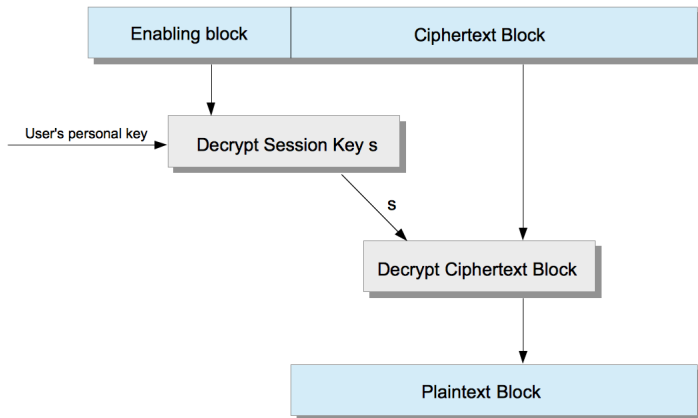
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Context:

- Digital content distribution systems
- Authorized users are given a hardware or software decoder containing a decryption key that allows them to get access to the content in clear.
- The **content provider** broadcasts the encrypted content
- The **subscribers** (i.e., authorized users who pay for the service) use their own secret key to decrypt the digital content

How does it work?



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Solution

Traitor Tracing Schemes: designed with the aim of identify (at least one of) the traitors, after the pirate decoder is confiscated

A traitor tracing scheme is composed of four phases:

- *Key Generation*: the data supplier generates and secretly gives every subscriber a distinct personal key. The personal key is stored in the decoder.
- *Encryption*: the data supplier encrypts (i) the digital contents with the session key and (ii) the session key itself as the header. The data supplier broadcasts the encrypted digital contents and the header.
- *Decryption*: subscribers retrieve the session key by inputting the header into their decoders.
- *Tracing*: after a pirate decoder confiscation, the tracer builds ad-hoc header in which suspected are revoked and uses the decoder as a black box.

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First public-key tracing scheme for tracing illicit decoders that may shut-down (or employ some sort of self-defensive mechanism) (AsiaCrypt 2004).

Parameters

- n : total number of subscribers
- k : maximum number of traitors in a coalition
- p, q : primes s.t. $q|p-1$, $q \geq n+2k-1$
- g : a q -th root of unity over \mathbb{Z}_p^*
- \mathcal{U} : set of subscribers

Participants agree on p, q and g

Key Generation

- Split \mathcal{U} into ℓ disjoint subsets $\mathcal{U}_0, \dots, \mathcal{U}_{\ell-1}$.
- Choose $a_0, \dots, a_{2k-1}, b_0, \dots, b_{\ell-1} \in_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{Z}_q$.
- Assign a distinct key-generation polynomial to each subset:
$$\mathcal{U}_0 \leftarrow f_0(x) = b_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{2k-1}x^{2k-1} \pmod{q}$$
$$\mathcal{U}_1 \leftarrow f_1(x) = a_0 + b_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{2k-1}x^{2k-1} \pmod{q}$$
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$$\mathcal{U}_i \leftarrow f_i(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + b_ix^i + \dots + a_{2k-1}x^{2k-1} \pmod{q}$$
$$\dots$$
- Personal key of the user $u \in \mathcal{U}_i$:

$$(u, i, f_i(u))$$

- Public key:

$$\begin{aligned} e &= (g, y_{0,0}, \dots, y_{0,2k-1}, y_{1,0}, \dots, y_{1,\ell-1}) \\ &= (g, g^{a_0}, \dots, g^{a_{2k-1}}, g^{b_0}, \dots, g^{b_{\ell-1}}) \end{aligned}$$

Encryption

- Select the session key $s \in G_q$ and two random numbers $R_0, R_1 \in_R \mathbb{Z}_q$.
- Choose $r_i \in \{R_0, R_1\}$ and construct the header H_i for the subgroup \mathcal{U}_i :

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Revocation

Users in \mathcal{U}_i can be revoked by replacing $sg^{b_i r_i}$ with g^{z_i} , ($z_i \in_R \mathbb{Z}_q$):

$$H_i = (g^{r_i}, g^{a_0 r_i}, g^{a_1 r_i}, \dots, \mathbf{g}^{z_i}, \dots, g^{a_{2k-1} r_i})$$

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User $u \in \mathcal{U}_i$ computes the session key s from $H_i = (\hat{h}_i, h_{i,0}, \dots, h_{i,i}, \dots, h_{i,2k-1})$:

$$\left\{ \frac{\left(h_{i,0} \times (h_{i,1})^{u^1} \times \dots \times (h_{i,2k-1})^{u^{2k-1}} \right)}{\hat{h}_i^{f_i(u)}} \right\}^{1/u^i \bmod 2k} = s$$

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Black-box Tracing

Goal: *Identify at least one traitor.*

- Input: $\mathcal{U}_0, \dots, \mathcal{U}_{\ell-1}$ and the pirate decoder (we assume $|\mathcal{U}_0| = \dots = |\mathcal{U}_{\ell-1}| = 2k$)
- Output: Traitor identity
- For each user u_j with $1 \leq j \leq n$, set $ctr_j = 0$ and repeat m times the *Black-Box Tracing Test*. In each test s , R_0, R_1 are randomly chosen.
- Find an integer $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ s.t. $ctr_{j-1} - ctr_j$ is maximum. The subscriber u_j is a traitor.

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with $\mathbf{r}_i \in \{\mathbf{R}_0, \mathbf{R}_1\}$ uniformly at random

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If there exists \mathcal{U}_t such that $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_t \neq \emptyset$ and $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_t \neq \mathcal{U}_t$, then users in \mathcal{U}_i with $i > t$ will receive H_i computed as follows:

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with $\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{R}_0$

Distinguish Normal Ciphertext from Tracing Ciphertext

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- The pirate decoder can distinguish the gap and launch a self-defensive mechanism to accuse an innocent user

Encryption Phase Modification:

- Select a random cutoff point $d \in \{0, \dots, \ell - 1\}$.

Set $r_i = R_1$ for $i \leq d$ and $r_i = R_0$ for $i > d$

Distribution of r_i . ($R_0 = 0$ and $R_1 = 1$)

	u_0	...	u_{t-1}	u_t	u_{t+1}	...	$u_{\ell-1}$
<i>Original Encryption</i>	0/1	...	0/1	0/1	0/1	...	0/1

	u_0	...	u_{d-1}	u_d	u_{d+1}	...	$u_{\ell-1}$
<i>Modified Encryption</i>	1	...	1	1	0	...	0

	u_0	...	u_{t-1}	u_t	u_{t+1}	...	$u_{\ell-1}$
<i>Tracing Encryption</i>	0/1	...	0/1	1	0	...	0

Limitations

- the scheme is **still susceptible to the Attack 1**, depending on d and t .
- the proposed solution **does not fix the Attack 2**: the statistical gap between $CTrace(e, j - 1, s)$ and $CTrace(e, j, s)$ still remains.
- the **pirate decoder can still avoid the tracing phase**
- an innocent user is accused**

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In this way:

- the pirate decoder can not evade the tracing activity
- no innocent user is incriminated
- at least one of the traitors is identified

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Requirement

Indistinguishability of an input: revoked users should not be able to distinguish tracing and regular system operation

Warning

The headers H_i can not be constructed as in the original protocol.

Solution

- Redesign the tracing phase in order to:
 - close the statistical gap between the normal ciphertext and the tracing ciphertext
 - close the statistical gap between two consecutive tracing ciphertext
- Modify the header construction procedure to allow the correct decryption (i.e. to retrieve the session key)
- Update Over The Air

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The Matsushita-Imai traitor tracing scheme is completely repaired

The new Traitor Tracing Scheme ensures that:

- at least one traitor is identified
- the pirate decoder is not able to recognize normal ciphertext from tracing ciphertext (resistant to Attack 1)
- the pirate decoder is not able to recognize two consecutive tracing operations (resistant to Attack 2)
- the pirate decoder can not avoid the tracing activity
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Thank you for your attention!

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Backup slides

Black-box Tracing Test

① $\mathcal{X} = \{u_1, \dots, u_j\}$: set of revoked subscribers. Construct the header $H = (H_0, \dots, H_{\ell-1})$ where each H_i is as follows:

- if $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_i = \mathcal{U}_i$ or $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_i = \emptyset$ for any i , then the header H_i is constructed as in the encryption phase, with the revoking value g^{z_i} when $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_i = \mathcal{U}_i$
- Otherwise, if there exists \mathcal{U}_t such that $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_t \neq \emptyset$ and $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_t \neq \mathcal{U}_t$ then construct $C(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{2k-1} c_j x^j$ s.t. $C(u) = 0 \pmod q$ iff $u \in (\mathcal{U}_t \setminus \mathcal{X})$. Then H_i is constructed as:
 - if $i = t$ then H_i is as follows:

$$\hat{h}_t = g^{R_1}$$

$$h_{t,j} = \begin{cases} g^{c_j} y_{0,j}^{R_1} & j \neq t \pmod{2k} \\ sg^{c_j} y_{1,t}^{R_1} & j = t \pmod{2k} \end{cases}$$

- if $i > t$ then H_i is computed as in the encryption phase with $r_i = R_0$.
- if $i < t$ then $r_i \in \{R_0, R_1\}$ random. H_i is computed as follows:

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Original Tracing Phase

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 - if $i \neq t$, then $r_i = R_0$ or $r_i = R_1$. **Construct H_i as follows:**

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- otherwise if $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_i = \emptyset$ or $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}_i = \mathcal{U}_i$ for any i , then the header H_i is the same as in the encryption phase setting the revocation parameters.

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Decryption of the New Header

Decryption in case $i > t$ and $r_i = R_1$

The header is $H_i = (\hat{h}_i, h_{i,0}, \dots, h_{i,i}, \dots, h_{i,2k-1})$.

The secret session key s is retrieved as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \frac{h_{i,0} \times h_{i,1}^u \times \dots \times h_{i,2k-1}^{u^{2k-1}}}{\hat{h}_i^{f_i(u)}} \right\}^{1/u^i \bmod 2k} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{g^{c_0} y_{0,0}^{R_1} \times \dots \times (s g^{c_j} y_{1,j}^{R_1})^{u^j \bmod 2k} \times \dots \times (g^{c_{2k-1}} y_{0,2k-1}^{R_1})^{u^{2k-1}}}{g^{R_1 f_i(u)}} \right\}^{1/u^i \bmod 2k} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{g^{c_0} g^{a_0 R_1} \times \dots \times (s g^{c_j} g^{b_j R_1})^{u^j \bmod 2k} \times \dots \times (g^{c_{2k-1}} g^{a_{2k-1} R_1})^{u^{2k-1}}}{g^{R_1 f_i(u)}} \right\}^{1/u^i \bmod 2k} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{s^{u^i \bmod 2k} g^{\sum_{j=0}^{2k-1} c_j u^j} g^{R_1 (\sum_{j=0}^{2k-1} a_j u^j + b_i u^i - a_i u^i)}}{g^{R_1 f_i(u)}} \right\}^{1/u^i \bmod 2k} = s \end{aligned}$$

Distribution of r_i with Normal Ciphertext and Tracing Ciphertext

	\mathcal{U}_0	...	\mathcal{U}_{t-1}	\mathcal{U}_t	\mathcal{U}_{t+1}	...	$\mathcal{U}_{\ell-1}$
M-I scheme - Normal ciphertext	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1	R_0/R_1	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1
M-I scheme - Tracing ciphertext	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1	R_1	R_0	...	R_0
Our scheme - Normal ciphertext	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1	R_0/R_1	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1
Our scheme - Tracing ciphertext	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1	R_1	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1

Distribution of r_i , case $CTrace(e, j - 1, \cdot)$ and $CTrace(e, j, \cdot)$

	\mathcal{U}_0	...	\mathcal{U}_{t-1}	\mathcal{U}_t	\mathcal{U}_{t+1}	...	$\mathcal{U}_{\ell-1}$
M-I scheme: $CTrace(e, j - 1, \cdot)$	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1	R_0/R_1	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1
M-I scheme: $CTrace(e, j, \cdot)$	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1	R_1	R_0	...	R_0
Our scheme: $CTrace(e, j - 1, \cdot)$	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1	R_0/R_1	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1
Our scheme: $CTrace(e, j, \cdot)$	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1	R_1	R_0/R_1	...	R_0/R_1