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Security Analysis of Two Certificateless Signature Schemes\*

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#### 요 약

인증서 없는 공개키 시스템은 기존의 공개키 암호시스템에서 인증서의 필요성을 제거하고 신원 기반 암호시스템에 서 키 위탁 문제를 해결하였다. 본 논문에서는 Guo 등과 Wang 등에 의해서 제안된 각각의 인증서 없는 서명 기법 들이 공격자 종류 I에 의해 키 대치공격에 취약하다는 것을 보인다. 다시 말해, 서명자의 공개키를 대치할 수 있는 능 력을 가진 공격자가 서명자의 비밀키를 알지 못함에도 불구하고 서명을 위조할 수 있음을 보이고 이러한 공격을 방지 하기 위한 대응법을 제안한다.

#### ABSTRACT

Certificateless cryptography eliminates the need of certificacates in the public key cryptosystems and solves the inherent key escrow problem in identity-based cryptosystems. This paper demonstrates that two certificateless signature schemes proposed by Guo et al. and Wang et al. respectively are insecure against key replacement attacks by a type I adversary. We show that the adversary who can replace a signer's public key can forge signatures under the replaced public key. We then make a suggestion to prevent the attacks.

Keywords: Certificateless cryptography, Digital signature, Key replacement attack, Forgery

# I. Introduction

In 1984, Shamir[11] introduced an identity (ID)-based cryptosystem to simplify key management procedures of the infrastructure (PKI). This notion is to use a binary string which can uniquely identify a user as the user's public key. Examples of such a binary string include email address, IP address and social security number, etc. Certificates are only needed for some trusted authorities called a Private Key Generator (PKG) which is responsible for generating private keys for users. An inherent problem of the ID-based cryptography is the key escrow problem, i.e., the private key of a user is known to the PKG. The PKG can decrypt any ciphertext and forge signature on any message for any user. In 2003, Al-Riyami and Paterson[1] introduced a certificateless Public Key Cryptosystem (CL-PKC) in order to avoid the inherent key escrow problem of identitybased cryptosystems and not to require certificates to guarantee the authenticity of public keys. A user's private key in a CL-PKC is not generated by the Key Generation Center (KGC) alone. Instead, it is a combination of some contribution of the KGC and some user's chosen secret, in such a way that

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the key escrow problem can be solved. Some additional user's public-key needs to be certified by any trusted authority and CL-PKC schemes are not purely ID-based. Al-Rivami and Paterson proposed a certificateless public-key signature (CLS) but they didn't formalize a security model for unforgeability. However, their CLS scheme was recently found vulnerable to a key replacement attack by Huang et al.[8]. Since Al-Riyami and Paterson's CLS scheme, several CLS schemes have been proposed[4,5,9]. They provided only informal analysis and were subsequently found to be vulnerable to key replacement attacks by type I adversaries[2]. Later, proven secure CLS schemes in the random oracle model[3,8,14] have been proposed. Recently, Liu et al.[10] proposed a provably secure CLS scheme in the standard model. In addition to these direct constructions, there exist a generic construction that converts existing signature schemes in different infrastructures into CLS schemes. Yum and Lee[13] proposed a generic construction for CLS schemes by combining any standard signature (SS) scheme with any ID-based signature (IBS) scheme. Subsequently, Hu et al.[7] showed that this construction is insecure against key replacement attacks and then proposed its improved version by modifying the input of signing algorithm. In particular Hu et al.[7] established a simplified definition and formal security model for CLS schemes which are shown to be more versatile than the previous ones[8]. Recently, Au et al.[2] suggested a malicious-but-passive KGC attack where a KGC may not generate master public/secret key pair honestly to mount the attack, they then modified Hu et al.'s model for capturing the attack. They also showed that Al-Rivami and Paterson's scheme and its variants [2,7,9] are insecure against the malicious-but-passive KGC attacks and the security of the CLS scheme converted from the modified Yum-Lee's construction is preserved in their new model.

Recently, Guo et al.[6] and Wang et al.[12] proposed new efficient CLS schemes based on Li et al.'s scheme[9]. Guo et al. proved its security against a type I adversary and a type II adversary in the

random oracle model under the q-th Strong Diffie-Hellman assumption and the Computational Diffie-Hellman assumption, respectively, while Wang et al. didn't provide its formal security proof. In this paper, we show that two CLS schemes are insecure against key replacement attacks by a type I adversary.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we review Wang et al.'s and Guo et al.'s CLS schemes. In Section 3, we present key replacement attacks on the schemes. Concluding remarks are given in Section 4.

# II. Review of Two CLS Schemes

We first review Wang et al.'s and Gu et al.'s CLS schemes that follow Al-Riyami and Paterson's definition[1].

#### ■ Wang et al.'s CLS Scheme

- **Setup.** Given a security parameter *k*, the algorithm works as follows :
  - 1. Run a generator to output descriptions of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of prime order q and a bilinear pairing  $e: G_1 \times G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ .
  - 2. Choose an arbitrary generator  $P \in G_1$ .
  - 3. Choose a random  $s \in_R Z_q^*$ , set  $P_{pub} = sP$ , and compute g = e(P, P), where *s* is a master secret.
  - 4. Choose cryptographic hash functions  $H_1: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow Z_q^*$  and  $H_2: \{0,1\}^* \times G_2 \rightarrow Z_q^*$ .
  - 5. The system parameters are  $params = < G_1, G_2, e, q, P, P_{pub}, g, H_1, H_2 > .$
- **Partial–Private–Key–Extract.** This algorithm takes as input a security parameter k, the system parameters *params*, the master secret s and a user A's identity  $ID_A$ , and returns a partial private key corresponding to  $ID_A$ . It adopts the blind technique to remove a confidential and authentic channel between A and the KGC
  - 1. The user A chooses a value  $k \in_R Z_q^*$ , computes

kP and then sends  $< I\!D_{\!A}, kP >$  to the KGC.

2. After receiving the message, the KGC checks that A has a claim to a particular online identifier  $ID_A$ . If it does, the KGC computes

 $D'_{I\!D_4} = [H_1(I\!D_A) + s]^{-1}P + s(kP),$ 

and then sends it to A through an open channel.

3. On the receipt of  $D'_{ID_A}$ , A computes a partial private key  $D_{ID_A}$  as

 $D_{I\!D_A} = D'_{I\!D_A} - k(sP) = [H_1(I\!D_A) + s]^{-1}P.$ 

Notice that *A* can verify the correctness of the output of the Partial–Private– Key–Extract algo–rithm by checking that

 $e\,(D_{I\!D_4},\ H_1(I\!D_A)P\!+P_{pub})=g.$ 

- **Set-Secret-Value.** This algorithm takes as input the system parameters *params* and an identity  $ID_A$ , and returns a secret value  $x_A$  corresponding to  $ID_A$  for a random  $x_A \in_R Z_q^*$ .
- **Set-Private-Key.** This algorithm takes as input the system parameters *params*, a partial private key  $D_{ID_A}$  and a secret value  $x_A$ , and returns a (full) private key  $SK_{ID_A}$  as

$$SK_{ID_{A}} = x_{A}D_{ID_{A}} = x_{A}[H_{1}(ID_{A}) + s]^{-1}P.$$

- **Set-Public-Key.** This algorithm takes as input the system parameters *params*, an identity  $ID_A$ , a secret value  $x_A$  and outputs a public key  $PK_{ID_A} = \langle X_A, Y_A \rangle$  corresponding to  $ID_A$ , where  $X_A = x_A^{-1}P$  and  $Y_A = x_A^{-1}P_{pub}$ .
- **Sign.** Given a message  $m \in \{0,1\}^*$  and a private key  $SK_{ID,r}$ 
  - 1. Choose  $a \in_R Z_q^*$ , and compute  $r = g^a \in G_2$  and  $v = H_2(m || r) \in Z_a^*$ .
  - 2. Compute  $U = (a+v) \cdot SK_{ID_A} \in G_1$ . Then  $\sigma = (U, v)$  is a signature on m for  $\{ID_A, \langle X_A, Y_A \rangle\}.$

**Verify.** To verify a signature  $\sigma = (U, v)$  on a

message m for  $\{ID_A, \langle X_A, Y_A \rangle\},\$ 

- 1. Check whether the equality  $e(X_{\!A}\,,\,P_{pub}) = e(\,Y_{\!A}\,,\,P) \quad {\rm holds} \quad {\rm or} \quad {\rm not.} \quad {\rm If}$ 
  - it holds, compute

 $r = e\left( \textit{U}, ~ \textit{H}_{1}(\textit{ID}_{A})\textit{X}_{A} + \textit{Y}_{A} \right) \cdot g^{-\textit{v}}.$ 

- 2. Check whether the equality  $v = H_2(m||r)$ holds or not. If it holds, accept the signature.
- Guo et al.'s CLS Scheme

Algorithms in Guo et al.'s scheme except the following three algorithms are the same as those in Wang et al.'s scheme.

- **Set-Partial-Private-Key.** Given a security parameter k, the master secret s and an identity  $ID_A$ , output  $D_{ID_A} = [H_1(ID_A) + s]^{-1}P$  as a partial-private-key correspond to  $ID_A$ .
- **Set-Private-Key.** Given a partial private Key  $D_{ID_A}$ , an identity  $ID_A$  and a secret value  $x_A$ , output  $SK_{ID_A} = x_A^{-1}D_{ID_A} = [x_A(H_1(ID_A) + s)]^{-1}P$  as a (full) private key correspond to  $ID_A$ .
- **Set-Public-Key.** Given an identity  $ID_A$  and a secret value  $x_A$ , compute  $X_A = x_A P$ ,  $Y_A = x_A P_{pub}$  and set  $PK_{ID_A} = \langle X_A, Y_A \rangle$ .

The main difference of Wang et al.'s scheme from Guo et al.'s scheme is to use the blind technique for eliminating a secure channel between the signer and the KGC in Partial-Privatekey-Extract stage.

III. Key Replacement Attacks on the Two CLS Schemes

Now, we present key replacement attacks on the two CLS schemes described in the previous section. In CLS schemes, there exist two types of adversaries with the following capabilities;

- **Type I** adversary  $A_I$  as a third party is not allowed to access to the master secret but  $A_I$  may replace user public keys of its choices.
- **Type II** adversary  $A_{II}$  as a malicious KGC is allowed to access to the master secret but not replace user public keys.

Now, we show that the two CLS schemes are insecure against key replacement attacks by a type I adversary.

Key Replacement Attack on Wang et al.'s Scheme

Suppose that a type I adversary  $A_I$  wants to forge a certificateless signature of Wang et al.'s scheme. We assume that  $A_I$  has obtained a certificateless signature  $\sigma = (U, v)$  on m for  $\{ID_A, PK_{ID_A}\}$  where  $PK_{ID_A} = \langle X_A, Y_A \rangle$ ,  $U = (a+v) \cdot SK_{ID_A}$  and  $v = H_2(m||r)$ . Then  $A_I$  can forge  $\sigma' = (U', v')$  on the same message m for another public key pair  $PK'_{ID_A} = \langle X'_A, Y'_A \rangle$ , corresponding to  $ID_A$  as follows:

- $A_I$  selects a random  $t \in_R Z_q^*$  and computes a new public key pair being replaced as  $X_A' = t^{-1}X_A = t^{-1}x_A^{-1}P$  and  $Y_A' = t^{-1}Y_A = t^{-1}x_A^{-1}P_{pub}$ .
- Next,  $A_I$  computes U' = tU and sets v' = v. Then  $\sigma' = (U', v')$  is a valid signature on m for  $\{ID_A, PK'_{ID_A}\}$  since it satisfies the verification equations as follow;

$$\begin{split} e(X_{A}^{\ \prime},P_{pub}) &= e(t^{-1}X_{A}^{\ },sP) = e(t^{-1}sX_{A}^{\ },P) \\ &= e(t^{-1}Y_{A}^{\ },P)^{\ } = e(Y_{A}^{\ \prime},P) \\ \text{and } v &= H_{2}(m||\,r') \text{ since} \\ r' &= e(U^{\ \prime},\ H_{1}(ID_{A}^{\ })X_{A}^{\ \prime} + Y_{A}^{\ \prime}) \cdot g^{-v'} \\ &= e(U,\ \ H_{1}(ID_{A}^{\ })X_{A} + Y_{A}^{\ }) \cdot g^{-v} \end{split}$$

i.e., 
$$U' = t U = t(a+v) \cdot SK_{ID_A}$$
  
=  $(a+v)t \cdot SK_{ID_A} = (a+v) \cdot SK'_{ID_A}$ 

where  $SK'_{ID_A} = t \cdot SK_{ID_A}$  and  $SK'_{ID_A}$  is a valid private key of  $ID_A$  corresponding to the replaced public key  $PK'_{ID_A} = < X_A', Y_A' > .$ 

This result shows that it is insecure adversary against а type Ι since the adversary forge a user's certificateless can signature the replaced public key. under attack can be applied to Li et The same al.'s[9] and to Guo et al.'s[6] CLS schemes since they use the same signing method as Wang et al.'s one.

## IV. Conclusion

We presented the key replacement attacks on Wang et al. and Guo et al.'s CLS schemes. Their weakness against the attacks are due to the lack of binding technique between messages and user public keys being signed. These attacks can be prevented by adding a user public key  $PK_{ID}$  together with m to the input of the hash function, i.e.,  $h = H(m||r||PK_{ID})$  as described in [13].

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