Cryptanalysis of Li et al.'s Generalization of Proxy Signature Schemes

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摘要

近來 Li 等學者提出代理簽章的一般化簽 署法,然而 Li 等學者提出方法具有一個共同 的安全弱點。在 Li 等學者方法中,攻擊者事 先攔截某一代理群為其所代理的原始簽章群 所產生的代理簽章,攻擊者便可以偽造出相同 於攔截訊息的代理簽章,讓偽造的代理簽章看 起來像是該代理群為攻擊者所簽署的代理簽 章。

關鍵詞:代理簽章法、代理門檻式簽章法、多 人代理簽章法、代理多人簽章法、多人代理多 人簽章法

Abstract

Recently, Li et al. proposed their generalization of proxy signature schemes. However, all of Li et al.'s schemes have a common security weakness. In Li et al.'s schemes, an adversary first intercepts a valid proxy signature generated by a proxy group on behalf of the proxy group G_P . From the intercepted proxy signature, the adversary can forge illegal proxy signatures being like generated by the proxy group on behalf of an adversary.

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1. Introduction

In 1996, Mambo et al. [8, 9] proposed the concept of proxy signature scheme. In the proxy signature scheme, an original signer can authorize a proxy signer to generate a proxy signature and become his deputy. There is a limitation that one original signer can authorize only one proxy signer.

Due to the group-oriented application, many group-oriented variants of proxy signature schemes are proposed. In the proxy multi-signature scheme [3, 10, 12], proxy certificates must be authorized by all of the original signers in the original group. In a multi-proxy signature scheme [6], the proxy signature should be generated by all proxy signers in the proxy group. In 2001. the multi-proxy multi-signature scheme [4] is proposed to integrate proxy multi-signature schemes and multi-proxy signature schemes. The threshold proxy signature schemes were discussed widely [1, 2, 5, 11]. In a (t, n) threshold proxy signature scheme, an original signer can authorize a proxy group with n proxy signers to generate a proxy signature on behalf of the original signer. Then only t or more proxy signers in the proxy group can cooperatively generate the proxy signatures.

In 2003, Li et al. proposed a generalization of proxy signature schemes [7] for these schemes mentioning above. The type of delegation in Li et al.'s scheme is delegation by warrant. However, the Li et al.'s schemes are not secure. In the following section, the Li et al.'s schemes are briefly reviewed. Section 3 is our cryptanalysis of Li et al.'s scheme. The final section is our conclusion.

2. Brief Review of Li et al.'s Schemes

Li et al.'s (t/n-t'/n') proxy signature scheme based on the discrete logarithm problem [7] is first reviewed. Their (t/n-t'/n') proxy signature scheme consists of three phases: The proxy share generation phase, the proxy signature generation phase, and the proxy signature verification phase.

In Li et al.' s (t/n-t'/n') proxy signature scheme, there are some system-wide parameters. The public parameters p and q are two large prime numbers such that q|(p-1). The parameter g is an element of order q in Z_p^* . The public function h(.) is a secure one-way hash function. Let $G_0= \{U_{0,1}, U_{0,2}, ..., U_{0,n}\}$ denote the original group and $G_P = \{U_{P,1}, U_{P,2}, ..., U_{P,n'}\}$ denote the proxy group. There are two designated clerks, C_O and C_P, for G_O and G_P respectively. Let M_w denote a proxy warrant that records the identities of the original signers in G₀ the identities of the proxy signers in G_{P} , the parameters (t, n) and (t', n'), and the valid delegation period. Each original signer U_{0,i} randomly selects a private key $x_{0,i} \in Z_q^*$ and computes a certificated public key $y_{0,i} = g^{x_{0,i}} \mod p$. Similarly, each proxy signer $U_{P,i}$ has a private key $x_{P,i} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ and a certificated public key $y_{P,i} = g^{x_{P,i}} \mod p$.

Proxy share generation phase

Suppose that the original group G_O wants to authorize G_P as their proxy group satisfying the following requirements. At least t original signers in G_O must reach an agreement on the proxy authorization such that proxy signatures should be generated by the cooperation of the t' or more proxy signers in G_P . Without losing generality, assume $D_O = \{U_{O,1}, U_{O,2}, ..., U_{O,T}\}$ is the group the T actual original signers with identities AOSID, where $t \leq T \leq n$. Each member $U_{O,i}$ in D_O selects a random integer $R_{O,i} \in Z^*_{q}$, computes $k_{O,i} = g^{R_{O,i}} \mod p$, and broadcasts $k_{O,i}$ to other T-1 original signers in D_O and the clerk C_O . After receiving all the other $k_{O,i}$ ' s, each $U_{O,i}$ in D_O calculates $K = \prod_{i=1}^T k_{O,i} \mod p$ and $\sigma_{O,i} = R_{O,i}K + x_{O,i}y_{O,i}h(M_W, K, AOSID) \mod q$, and sends $\sigma_{O,i}$ to C_O . After receiving all of $\sigma_{O,i}$ ' s, C_O computes $K = \prod_{i=1}^{T} k_{O,i} \mod p$ and checks the correctness of $\sigma_{O,i}$ by adopting the equation $g^{\sigma_{O,i}} \equiv k_{O,i}{}^{K} y_{O,i}{}^{y_{O,i}h(M_W,K,AOSID)}$ (mod p). If all of $\sigma_{O,i}$ ' s are correct, C_O computes $\sigma_O = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sigma_{O,i} \mod q$. Then C_O broadcasts (M_W, K, σ_O , AOSID) to G_P. Each proxy signer $U_{P,i} \in G_P$ validates (M_W, K, σ_O , AOSID) by adopting the equation $g^{\sigma_O} \equiv K^K \prod_{i=1}^{T}$ $y_{O,i}{}^{y_{O,i}h(M_W,K,AOSID)}$ (mod p). Finally, each $U_{P,i}$ owns σ_O as her/his proxy share.

Proxy signature generation phase

Without losing generality, assume $D_P = \{U_{P,1}, U_{P,2}, ..., U_{P,T}\}$ is the group the T' actual proxy signers with identities APSID, where t' T' is n'. Each actual proxy signer $U_{P,j}$ in D_P selects a random integer $R'_{P,j} \in Z^*_q$ and calculates $k'_{P,j} = g^{R'_{P,j}} \mod p$. Each $U_{P,j}$ in D_P broadcasts $k'_{P,j}$ to the other T'-1 proxy signers and the designated clerk C_P . After receiving all $k'_{P,j}$'s, each $U_{P,j}$ in D_P calculates $R = \prod_{j=1}^{T} k'_{P,j} \mod p$, finds $s_{P,j}$ satisfying the equation

$$s_{P,j}=R'_{P,j}R+(\sigma_0T'^{-1}+x_{P,j}y_{P,j})h(M,R,APSID) \mod q,$$

and sends $s_{P,j}$ to the clerk C_P . After computing $R = \prod_{i=1}^{T'} k'_{P,i} \mod p$, the clerk C_P validates the correctness of all $s_{P,j}$'s by the equation

$$\begin{split} g^{s_{P,j}} &= k'_{P,j}{}^{R}((K^{K}\prod_{i=1}^{T} y_{O,i}{}^{y_{O,i}h(M_{W},K,AOSID)})^{T'^{1}} \\ y_{P,j}{}^{y_{P,j}})^{h(M,R,APSID)} \bmod p. \end{split}$$

Then the clerk
$$C_P$$
 computes $S = \sum_{j=1}^{T'} s_{p,j} \mod q$.

In other words,
$$S = \sum_{j=1}^{T'} (RR'_{p,j} + (\sigma_0 T'^{-1} + C'))$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_{P,j}y_{P,j})h(M, R, APSID)) & \text{mod } q= R \sum_{j=1}^{T'} R'_{p,j} \\ +(\sigma_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{T'} x_{P,j}y_{P,j})h(M, R, APSID) \text{mod } q. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, the proxy signature of the message M is (M_w, K, AOSID, M, (R, S), APSID).

Proxy signature verification phase

To validate the proxy signature (M_W , K, AOSID, M, (R, S), APSID), any verifier first obtains the certificated public keys of the actual proxy signers and actual original signers according to AOSID and APSID from the proxy warrant M_W . Then the verifier adopts the equation

$$g^{S} \equiv R^{R}(K^{K} \prod_{i=1}^{T} y_{O,i}^{y_{O,i}h(M_{W},K,AOSID)}$$
$$\prod_{j=1}^{T} y_{P,j}^{y_{P,j}})^{h(M,R,APSID)} (mod p)$$

to validate the proxy signature (M_W, K, AOSID, M, (R, S), APSID).

3. Cryptanalysis of Li et al's Scheme

An attack on Li et al.'s (t/n-t'/n') proxy signature scheme is proposed. Supposes that an adversary, A, wants to forge proxy signatures generated by the group D_P such that G_P becomes his deputy. The adversary A first intercepts σ_0 and a legal proxy signature (M_W, K, AOSID, M, (R, S), APSID) generated by D_P on behalf of G_0 . First of all, the adversary A illegally authorizes the group G_P as his agent. The adversary A randomly selects an integer $R_A \in Z_q^*$ and computes $K_A = g^{R_A} \mod p$. Then A uses his secret key x_A to generate σ' such that $\sigma'=R_AK_A+$ x_Ay_Ah(M'_W, K_A, ID_A) mod q, where AOSID= ID_A and M'_W is an illegal proxy warrant. The adversary A computes $\Delta = \sigma' - \sigma_0 \mod q$ and finds S' such that S'= $\Delta h(M, R, APSID)$ +S mod q. Finally A forges an illegal proxy signature (M'_w, K_A, AOSID=ID_A, M, (R, S'), APSID) being like to be generated by the proxy group G_P on behalf of A. The following gives why the attack is success. In other words, the forged proxy signature (M'w, KA, AOSID=IDA, M, (R, S'), APSID) can pass the verification equation g^{s} =

$$R^{R}(K_{A}{}^{K}{}_{A}y_{A}{}^{y}{}_{A}{}^{h(M'}{}_{W}{}^{,K}{}_{A}{}^{,ID}{}_{A}) \prod_{j=1}^{T'} y_{P,j}{}^{y}{}_{P,j})^{h(M,R,APSID)}$$

mod p.

S'
$$\equiv \Delta h(M, R, APSID) + S$$

$$\equiv (\sigma' - \sigma_0)h(M, R, APSID) + S$$

$$\equiv (\sigma' - \sigma_0)h(M, R, APSID) + R \sum_{j=1}^{T'} R'_{P,j} + (\sigma_0) \frac{\Gamma'}{2} v_0 \cdot x_0 h(M, R, APSID)$$

+
$$\sum_{j=1} y_{P,j} x_{P,j} h(M,R,APSID)$$

$$\equiv R \sum_{j=1}^{T'} R'_{P,j} + (\sigma' + \sum_{j=1}^{T'} y_{P,j} x_{P,j}) h(M, R, APSID)$$

$$\equiv R \sum_{j=1}^{T'} R'_{P,j} + (K_A R_A + y_A x_A h(M'_W, K_A, ID_A))$$
$$\sum_{j=1}^{T'} y_{P,j} x_{P,j})h(M, R, APSID) \pmod{q}.$$

4. Conclusions

An attack on Li et al.'s proxy signature schemes [7] is proposed to show that their schemes have security problem. By our attack, any adversary intercepts the proxy share and a valid proxy signature generated by a proxy group on behalf of an original group. Then the adversary can forge a proxy signature being like the one that is generated by the proxy group G_P on behalf of the adversary.

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