# Anonymous Proxy Signature with Restricted Traceability

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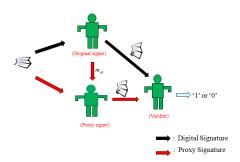
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## Introduction



**Proxy Signature:** When the original signer was not available or leave and he/she will delegate the signing rights to proxy signature.

- Original signer
- Proxy signature
- Verifier



#### **Motivation**

- Signer anonymity: user privacy in many applications
- We study signer anonymity for proxy signature which allows a signer delegate the signing right to another signer, since the proxy signer is the actual signer, we are interested in protecting the proxy signer's identity.



## **Ring and Group Signature**

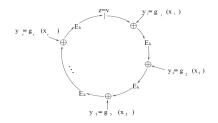


Figure: Ring signature

- Group signature: the group manager is able to reveal the identity of the signer for any valid group signature.
- Ring signature: any ring members can sign messages on behalf of the whole ring without reveal the identity of his/her real identity.

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## **Potential Solutions**

In the proxy signature, traceability is an very important property, since the proxy signer may abuse the signing right.

- Combine a group signature with the proxy signature
  - Problem: The group manager has too strong a tracebility that can trace any signature include the signature generated by honest signer.
- Use a ring signature combine with the proxy signature
  - Problem: It has nothing to restrict anonymity and is vulnerable to malicious signers.



## **Traceable Ring Signature**

**Traceable Ring Signature:** A ring signature with a "gentle" anonymity restriction, which consider "one-more unforgeability" and "double-spending traceability".

- Unforgeability
- Anonymity
- Publicly Traceability: dishonest signer can be publicly traced by anyone.
- Exculpability: it is against the framing attack, i.e. an honest user cannot be framed by other users in the system.



#### **Potential Solution**

Combine the proxy signature with traceability ring signature

- Advantage: Traceability ring signature is a tag-based signature, a signer can sign messages only once per tag.
- Problem: If the ring members sign messages twice with the same tag, his identity can be *publicly* traced.



## Contribution

Our anonymous proxy signature with restricted traceability

Allows the original signer to trace the dishonest signer and at the same time protect the identity of the honest signer even against the original signer.



## **Formal Definition**

APSTR signature scheme consists following algorithms.

- **Parameter generation**( $\mathcal{PG}$ ):  $Param \leftarrow \mathcal{PG}(\kappa)$ .
- Key generation( $\mathcal{KG}$ ):  $(Y, x) \leftarrow \mathcal{KG}(Param)$ .
- **Delegation signing**( $\mathcal{DS}$ ):  $\sigma_0 \leftarrow \mathcal{DS}(m_\omega, x_0)$
- **Delegation verification**( $\mathcal{DV}$ ):  $0/1 \leftarrow \mathcal{DV}(Y_0, m_\omega, \sigma_0)$
- APS generation( $\mathcal{PS}$ ):  $\sigma \leftarrow \mathcal{PS}(m, Y_0, L = (issue, Y_N), x_i, \sigma_0)$ , where  $Y_N = \{Y_1, \dots, Y_n\}$ .
- **APS** verification( $\mathcal{PV}$ ):  $0/1 \leftarrow \mathcal{PV}(m, Y_0, \sigma, L, m_\omega)$
- Tracing( $\mathcal{TR}$ ): indep/linked/ $Y_i \in Y_N \leftarrow \mathcal{TR}((m, \sigma), (m', \sigma'), L, m_{\omega}, \sigma_0)$



## Security requirement

- Unforgeability
- 2 Anonymity
- Restricted Traceability: If the proxy signer is dishonest, no outsider is able to link signatures generated by the dishonest proxy signer.
- 4 Exculpability



# Anonymous Proxy Signature with Restricted Traceability(APSRT):

#### General idea:

- Challenge problem: develop new techniques that could disallow outsiders to perform the trace operation.
  - We try to randomize each proxy signature so that only the original signer or another proxy signer who has also been delegated the same signing right has the secret to de-randomize the proxy signature.
- Our APSRT which can guarantee the anonymity against original signer and the restricted traceability against outsider.



### Our Construction of APSRT(1)

- Parameter generation. Taking  $\kappa$  as input, outputs (G, q, P), G is a cyclic group of prime order q and P is a generator of G. Let  $H_0: \{0,1\} * G \to \mathbb{Z}_q$ ,  $H: \{0,1\}^* \to G$ ,  $H': \{0,1\}^* \to G$  and  $H'': \{0,1\}^* \to \mathbb{Z}_q$ . Param =  $(G, q, P, H_0, H, H', H'')$ .
- **Key generation.** User *i* randomly selects  $x_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q$  and computes  $Y_i = x_i P$ .  $(x_i, Y_i)$  is the key pair of the user.
- **Delegation sign.** The original signer first generates a warrant  $m_{\omega}$ . Original signer randomly chooses  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_q$  and computes  $W_o = \alpha P$ .



#### Our Construction of APSRT(2)

- Delegation sign. Proxy signer picks another random  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_q$  and computes R = rP,  $s = r + x_0H_0(m_\omega, R, W_o) \mod q$ . Finally, the proxy signer sends  $(m_\omega, \alpha, R, s)$  to all the proxy signers in  $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n\}$  via a secure channel.
- **Delegation verification.** Upon receiving  $(m_{\omega}, \alpha, R, s)$ , the proxy signer  $u_i$  checks if  $sP = R + H_0(m_{\omega}, R, W_o = \alpha P)Y_0$ . If it holds, the proxy signer  $u_i$  computes his/her proxy signing secret key  $psk_i = s + x_iH_0(m_{\omega}, R, W_o) = r + H_0(m_{\omega}, R, W_o)(x_0 + x_i) \mod q$ . For simplicity, let  $pk_i = psk_iP = R + H_0(m_{\omega}, R, W_o)(Y_0 + Y_i)$  denote the corresponding proxy signing public key.
- **Proxy Sign** To sign  $m \in \{0, 1\}^*$  with respect to a tag  $L = (issue, Y_N)$  where  $Y_N$  are public keys of some proxy signers described in the the warrant  $m_\omega$ , the real proxy signer  $u_i$  proceeds as follows: UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG

### Our Construction of APSRT(3)

#### Proxy Sign

- Randomly choose  $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_q$ , compute F = H(L),  $W_p = (W_{p1}, W_{p2}) = (\alpha \beta P, \beta F)$  and  $\sigma_i = \alpha \beta F + psk_i F = (\alpha \beta + psk_i)F$ .
- Set  $A_0 = H'(L, m)$  and  $A_1 = \frac{1}{i}(\sigma_i A_0)$ .
- For all  $j \neq i$ , compute  $\sigma_j = A_0 + jA_1 \in G$ . Note that every  $(j, \log_F(\sigma_j))$  is on the line defined by  $(0, \log_F(A_0))$  and  $(i, psk_i + \alpha\beta)$ .
- Generate  $(c_N, z_N)$  based on a (non-interactive) zero-knowledge proof of knowledge for the language

$$\mathcal{L} = \{ (L, F, \sigma_N) \mid \exists i \in N \ s.t. \log_P(pk'_i) = \log_F(\sigma_i) \}$$

where  $\sigma_N = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n)$  and  $pk'_i = W_{p1} + pk_i$  as follows:



#### Our Construction of APSRT(4)

#### Proxy Sign

- Generate (*c<sub>N</sub>*, *z<sub>N</sub>*) based on a NIZK proof of knowledge for the language *L* as follows:
  - **1** Pick random  $\omega_i \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$  and set  $a_i = \omega_i P$ ,  $b_i = \omega_i F \in G$ .
  - 2 Pick random  $z_j, c_j \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$ , and set  $a_j = z_j P + c_j p k'_j$ ,  $b_j = z_j F + c_j \sigma_j \in G$  for every  $j \neq i$ .
  - **3** Set  $c = H''(L, m, A_0, A_1, a_N, b_N)$  where  $a_N = (a_1, \ldots, a_n)$  and  $b_N = (b_1, \ldots, b_n)$ .
  - 4 Set  $c_i = c \sum_{j \neq i} c_j \mod q$  and  $z_i = \omega_i c_i (\alpha \beta + psk_i) \mod q$ .
  - 5 Return  $(c_N, z_N)$ , where  $c_N = (c_1, \ldots, c_n)$  and  $z_N = (z_1, \ldots, z_n)$ , as a proof for  $\mathcal{L}$ .



## Our Construction of APSRT(5)

#### Proxy Sign

 Perform another (non-interactive) zero-knowledge proof of knowledge for

$$\mathcal{L}' = \{ (F, W_{p2}, W_o, W_{p1}) \mid \log_{W_o} W_{p1} = \log_F W_{p2} \}$$

#### as follows

- Pick random ω ← Z<sub>p</sub> and set ã = ωW<sub>o</sub>, b̃ = ωF ∈ G.
   Set č = H''(L, m, A<sub>0</sub>, A<sub>1</sub>, ã, b̃).
   Set ž = ω čβ.
   Return (č, ž) as a proof for L'.
- Return  $\sigma = (A_1, R, W_o, W_p, c_N, z_N, \tilde{c}, \tilde{z})$  as the signature on (L, m).



### Our Construction of APSRT(6)

Verification To verify a proxy signature  $\sigma = (A_1, R, W_o, W_p, c_N, z_N, \tilde{c}, \tilde{z})$  on message m and tag L, check the following: **1** Parse L as  $(issue, Y_N)$ , and compute  $pk'_{i} = W_{p1} + pk_{i} = W_{p1} + R + H_{0}(m_{\omega}, R, W_{o})(Y_{0} + Y_{i})$  for all  $i \in N$ **2** Set F = H(L) and  $A_0 = H'(L, m)$ , and compute  $\sigma_i = A_0 + iA_1 \in G$  for all  $i \in N$ . 3 Compute  $a_i = z_i P + c_i p k'_i$ ,  $b_i = z_i F + c_i \sigma_i$ , for all  $i \in N$ . 4 Check that  $H''(L, m, A_0, A_1, a_N, b_N) = \sum_{i \in N} c_i \mod q$ , where  $a_N = (a_1, \ldots, a_n)$  and  $b_N = (b_1, \ldots, b_n)$ . 5 Compute  $\tilde{a} = \tilde{z}W_o + \tilde{c}W_{n1}$ ,  $\tilde{b} = \tilde{z}F + \tilde{c}W_{n2}$ . 6 Check if  $H''(L, m, A_0, A_1, \tilde{a}, \tilde{b}) = \tilde{c}$ . 7 If all the above checks are successful, outputs accept; otherwise, outputs reject.



### Our Construction of APSRT(7)

- Tracing To check the relation between (m, σ) and (m', σ') under the same warrant m<sub>ω</sub> and the same tag L where σ = (A<sub>1</sub>, R, W<sub>o</sub>, W<sub>p</sub>, c<sub>N</sub>, z<sub>N</sub>, č, ž) and σ' = (A'<sub>1</sub>, R, W<sub>o</sub>, W'<sub>p</sub>, c'<sub>N</sub>, z'<sub>N</sub>, č', ž'), check the following:
  Parse L as (issue, Y<sub>N</sub>). Set F = H(L) and A<sub>0</sub> = H'(L, m). Compute σ<sub>i</sub> = A<sub>0</sub> + iA<sub>1</sub> ∈ G for all i ∈ N. Since W<sub>p</sub> = (αβP, βF), with the secret α, the original signer or any proxy signer specified in the warrant m<sub>ω</sub> can compute σ̂<sub>i</sub> = σ<sub>i</sub> αβF = psk<sub>i</sub>F ∈ G for all i ∈ N. Do the same operation for σ' to get σ̂'<sub>i</sub> for all i ∈ N.
  - **2** For all  $i \in N$ , if  $\hat{\sigma}_i = \hat{\sigma}'_i$ , store  $pk_i$  in **TList**, where **TList** is initially empty.
  - **3** Output pk if pk is the only entry in **TList**; "linked" if **TList** =  $Y_N$ ; "indep" otherwise.



#### Our Construction of APSRT(8) Correcness:

$$z_i P + c_i p k'_i$$

$$= \left[ \omega_i - c_i \left[ \alpha \beta + (r + H_0(m_\omega, R, W_o)(x_0 + x_i)) \right] \right] P + c_i p k'_i$$

$$= \omega_i P - c_i \left[ \alpha \beta + r + H_0(m_\omega, R, W_o)(x_0 + x_i) \right] P + c_i \left[ \alpha \beta P + R + H_0(m_\omega, R, W_o)(Y_0 + Y_i) \right]$$

$$= \omega_i P$$

$$= a_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} z_i F + c_i \sigma_i \\ = & \left[ \omega_i - c_i \left[ \alpha \beta + (r + H_0(m_\omega, R, W_o)(x_0 + x_i)) \right] \right] F \\ & + c_i (\alpha \beta F + psk_i F) \\ = & \omega_i F - c_i \left( \alpha \beta + (r + H_0(m_\omega, R, W_o)(x_0 + x_i)) \right) F + c_i \alpha \beta F \\ & + c_i F(r + H_0(m_\omega, R, W_o)(x_0 + x_i)) \\ = & \omega_i F \\ = & b_i \end{aligned}$$

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# **Our Construction of APSRT(9)**

#### Correcness:

$$\begin{split} \tilde{z}W_o + \tilde{c}W_{p1} \\ &= (\omega - \tilde{c}\beta)\alpha P + \tilde{c}\alpha\beta P \\ &= \omega\alpha P \\ &= \tilde{a} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{z}F + \tilde{c}W_{p2} \\ &= (\omega - \tilde{c}\beta)F + \tilde{c}\beta F \\ &= \omega F \\ &= \tilde{b} \end{split}$$



## **Adversary Type**

- Type I: Outsider.  $(Y_0, Y_1, \ldots Y_n)$
- **Type II:** Adversary is a proxy signer.  $(Y_0, Y_1, \ldots, Y_n, x_1, \ldots, x_n)$
- **Type III:** Adversary is the original signer.  $(Y_0, Y_1, \ldots, Y_n, x_0)$



## **Security Model**

#### Unforgeability

- Unforgeability against type II adversary
- Unforgeability against type III adversary
- Restricted Traceability
  - Tag-linkability
  - Untraceability against outsider
- Anonymity against original signer
- Exculpability



#### Unforgeability against proxy signer

- Setup: C runs the algorithm to obtain the secret key and public key pairs  $(x_0, Y_0)$ ,  $(x_1, Y_1)$ , ...,  $(x_n, Y_n)$  of the original signer and n proxy signers. C then sends  $(Y_0, Y_1, \ldots, Y_n, x_{i_k})$   $(i_k) \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  to the adversary  $\mathcal{A}_{II}$ .
- Delegation signing query: A<sub>II</sub> can request a signature on a warrant he chooses. In response, C outputs a signature σ on m<sub>ω</sub>.
- $\blacksquare$  Output: Finally,  $\mathcal{A}_{II}$  outputs a target warrant  $m_{\omega}^{*}$  and  $\sigma^{*}$  such that
  - $\sigma^*$  is a valid delegation signature on  $m^*_{\omega}$ .
  - $\blacksquare~m_{\omega}^{*}$  has never been requested in delegation signature queries.



#### Untraceability against outsider

- Setup: C runs the algorithm to obtain the  $(x_1, Y_1), \ldots, (x_n, Y_n)$  representing the keys of n proxy signers, which will be send to adversary A.
- Key selection: The adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  outputs  $(Y_i, Y_j)$  as the two target proxy signer's public keys, let  $b \in \{i, j\}$  be a random hidden bit.  $\mathcal{A}$  sends the  $(Y_i, Y_j)$  to  $\mathcal{C}$ .
- Proxy signing query: A may access 3 signing oracles: Sig<sub>psk<sub>i</sub></sub>, Sig<sub>psk<sub>i</sub></sub>, Sig<sub>psk<sub>j</sub></sub> for the warrant m<sub>ω</sub> and the tag, where
  - Sig<sub>*pskb*</sub> is the signing oracle with respect to proxy signer  $b(b \in \{i, j\})$  who has a valid proxy signing key  $psk_b$ ;
  - Sig<sub>pski</sub>(resp. Sig<sub>pskj</sub>) is the signing oracle with respect to proxy signer *i* who has a valid proxy signing key *psk*<sub>i</sub>.

• Output: Finally, A outputs a bit b', A wins the game if b' = b.



#### Theorems

#### Theorem

If there exists a type II adversary  $A_{II}$  which can break the proposed APSRT scheme, then we can construct another adversary B who can use  $A_{II}$  to solve DL problem.

#### Theorem

If there exists an adversary  $\mathcal{D}$  who can correctly guess b with an non-negligible advantage  $\epsilon$ , we can construct another algorithm  $\mathcal{B}$  that can solve DDH problem.



## Security Proof of Unforgeability 1

**Proof.** Given  $(P, x^*P)$  for some unknown  $x^* \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  as an instance of DL problem.  $\mathcal{B}$  can solve the DL problem with the help of  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{II}}$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  sets original signer's public key  $Y_0 = Y^* = x^*P$ , and generate the keys for proxy signers honestly. Then  $\mathcal{B}$  sends  $(Y_0, Y_1, \ldots Y_n, x_1, \ldots x_n)$  to adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ .  $H_0$  hash query:  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{II}}$  send the query  $(m_{\omega}, R, W_o)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  will check the  $H_0$  list.

- If query tuple  $((m_{\omega}, R, W_o), h_i)$  in the  $H_o$  list,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns  $h_i$  to  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{II}}$ .
- Otherwise,  $\mathcal{B}$  choose a random number  $h_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . Add  $((m_{\omega}, R, W_o), h_i)$  to  $H_o$  list, return  $h_i$  to  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{II}}$ .



## Security Proof of Unforgeability 2

**Delegation signing queries:**  $A_{II}$  send a query of  $m_{\omega i}$ , B performs the following:

- Randomly choose  $c, s, \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  and compute  $R = sP cY^*$ .
- Set  $W_o = \alpha P$ ,  $H_0 = (m_\omega, R, W_o) = c$  and store  $((m_\omega, R, W_o), c)$  into the hash list  $H_0$ .
- Return  $\sigma_0 = (\alpha, R, s)$  as the delegation signing key for  $m_{\omega}$ .

**Output:**  $\mathcal{A}$  output  $\sigma_0 = (\alpha^*, R^*, s^*)$  which is a valid delegation signing key for warrant  $m_{\omega}^*$ .  $m_{\omega}^*$  should not have been queried before. Forking lemma: rewinding  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{II}}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  can obtain  $s_1^* = r + c_1^* x_0^*$ ,  $s_2^* = r + c_2^* x_0^*$ .  $c_1^*$  and  $c_2^*$  are two hash outputs of  $H_0$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  can output

$$x_0^* = \frac{s_1^* - s_2^*}{c_1^* - c_2^*} \mod q$$

as the value of  $x^*$  and the solution of DL problem.



#### Security Proof of Untraceability 1

**Proof.** If  $\mathcal{D}$  can correctly guess b with  $\epsilon$ , we can construct  $\mathcal{B}$  who can solve DDH problem.

**Setup:**  $\mathcal{B}$  generate all the public and private keys by running the key generation algorithm.  $\mathcal{B}$  sends all the public keys to the adversary  $\mathcal{D}$ . **Key selection:**  $\mathcal{D}$  outputs a  $m_{\omega}$ , a tag L and two target proxy signer's public keys  $(Y_i, Y_j)$ ,  $i, j \in N$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  then sets  $W_o = aP$  and F = H(L) = bP, randomly selects  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_q$  and computes R = rP and  $s = r + x_0 H_0(m_{\omega}, R, W_o)$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  also randomly selects  $b \in \{i, j\}$ , and answer  $\mathcal{D}$ 's queries as follows.



### **Security Proof of Untraceability 2**

Hash queries: All the hash queries made by  $\mathcal{D}$  are answered as in the previous proof where  $\mathcal{B}$  maintains a hash table for each hash oracle. **Proxy signing queries:** When  $\mathcal{D}$  makes a proxy signing query to Sig<sub>psk<sub>i</sub></sub> on message m,  $\mathcal{B}$  randomly selects  $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_q$ , and computes  $W_p = (\beta W_o, \beta F)$  and  $\sigma_i = \beta z P + psk_i F$ .  $\beta$  generate  $A_0, A_1$  and  $\sigma_j (j \neq i)$  by following the proxy signing algorithm.  $\mathcal{B}$  also simulates the NIZK proof for language  $\mathcal{L}$  using the following simulator.



## **Security Proof of Untraceability 3**

#### NIZK Simulator:

- I For all  $i \in N$ , uniformly pick up at random  $z_i, c_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , and compute  $a_i = z_i P + c_i p k'_i$ ,  $b_i = z_i F + c_i \sigma_i \in G$ .
- 2 Set  $H''(L, m, A_0, A_1, a_N, b_N)$  as  $c := \sum_{i \in N} c_i$  where  $a_N = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ ,  $b_N = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_N)$ .
- 3 Output  $(c_N, z_N)$ , where  $c_N = (c_1, c_2, ..., c_N)$  and  $z_N = (z_1, z_2, ..., z_N)$ .

 $\mathcal{B}$  also simulates the NIZK proof  $(\tilde{c}, \tilde{z})$  for language  $\mathcal{L}'$  honestly using the knowledge of  $\beta$ . Finally,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns  $\sigma = (A_1, R, W_o, W_p, c_N, z_N, \tilde{c}, \tilde{z})$  to  $\mathcal{D}$ . **Output:** Finally,  $\mathcal{D}$  outputs b'. If b' = b,  $\mathcal{B}$  outputs 1; Otherwise,  $\mathcal{B}$  outputs 0.



## Conclusion

- We put forward to the notion of APSRT.
- We proposed a new concrete APSRT scheme which ensure the requirement of anonymity against the original signer, restricted untraceability against outsider.
- We also provided formal security proof to demonstrate that our APSRT is provable secure.



Thanks. Any questions?

