On Selected Crypto Protocols Wireless Sensor Networks Remotely Keyed Encryption Authenticated Encryption

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O Key Distribution Protocols for Wireless Sensor Networks

Overview

Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN) □ introduction security goals, threads Key Distribution Protocols for WSN specifics of WSN environment common key distribution approaches randomized keys pre-distribution plaintext key distribution (Key infection)

Wireless Sensor Networks

- Powerful base station(s)
- Network of nodes
 - sensing environmental conditions
 - RF transceivers
 - battery powered
 - no tamper resistance
 - number of 10³ 10⁶

- Network topology
 - covering large areas
 - ad-hoc position/neighbours
 - distributed, multi-hop



Applications



Traffic control



Medical monitoring



Battlefield management



Wild fire detection

Node hardware platform

Berkeley Mote 8-bit RISC processor 4MHz clock 512 B RAM 8KB flash memory OS code space: 3500 bytes available code space: 4500 bytes 10Kbps radio Berkeley's Smart Dust project goal: node size < 1mm³ micro mirrors + laser beam Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems (MEMS)





Security goals

- Secure routing
- Message CIA
 - confidentiality, integrity authenticity
- Key & node revocation
- Network reinforcementrepeated deployment
 - of sensors
- Node authentication

Resiliency

- redundancy
 - battery, utility failure
- robustness
 - packet routing, active attack
- node capture
 - tolerant to % compromised
 - perfect n.c. resilience no other key but captured gets compromised

Threats

Eavesdropping
 Message injection
 Message modification
 Message replay
 Impersonation

 clones

DoS

- secure routing
- malicious nodes
- jamming
- battery exhaustion
- Traffic analysis
- Side-channel analysis

Key distribution protocols (KDP)

- Common KDP schemes inappropriate as WSNs have
 restricted resources (memory, power, CPU)
 - Iimited neighbours/network topology knowledge
 - small (or none) tamper resistance
 - Basic protocol requirements:
 - support for large number of parties (10³ 10⁶)
 - resource efficient
 - robust
 - single nodes compromise inevitable (no tamper resistance)
 - physical damage, battery exhaustion of single nodes
 - □ (trusted) base-station (BS) involvement problematic
 - single point of failure
 - strong data flow around BS (non-uniform power exhaustion)

Bootstrapping protocol phases

1. Pre-deployment initialisation Physical deployment 2. **Neighbours discovery** 4. Key setup Key discovery Key exchange (plaintext key exchange) 5. Key update (optionally) Secrecy amplification Multi-path key reinforcement 6. Message routing

Global master key

Single symmetric key shared by all nodes used for initial link key exchange and than (ordinarily) erased what if node gets broken? (landing failure ...) Advantages: minimal storage requirements resistance against DoS (fast MAC computation) Disadvantages: no node capture resilience no nodes can be added later

Pairwise keys ((n-1) scheme)

- Unique key between each two nodes
- Each node must store (n-1) keys

Advantages:

- perfect resiliency to node capture
- node-to-node authentication
- Disadvantages:
 - high production costs
 - high memory requirements
 - no re-deployed/re-enforcement later



Public key cryptography

- Key pair for each node, signed by BS
- Advantages:
 - perfect node capture resilience
 - □ fully scalable, revocation possible
- Disadvantages:
 - need for high performance hardware
 - high memory/time/power requirements
 - battery exhaustion attack possible
 - high number of key establishment requests
- PK crypto doesn't bring much compared to symmetric one (works better in centralised environments)

Random pre-distribution (EG)

Idea (Eschenauer, Gligor - 2002):

- two neighbours share pre-distributed key only with a certain probability p <(<<) 1</p>
- basically, we need a connected network, not link keys

Pre-deployment phase

- large key pool S, each key with a unique ID
- each node obtains random subset of *m* keys (no replacement)



Key setup

neighbours use a common link key if such exists

Random pre-distribution (cont.)



Random pre-distribution (q-EG)

- Variation of the previous scheme (Chan, Perrig, Song)
 (EG ~ 1-EG)
- q ≥ 1 common keys required
 □ K' = hash(K₁| ... | K_q)
- Node capture resilience should be improved BUT:
 - □ to keep link probability *p* same:
 - ring size m must be increased
 - pool size S must be decreased
 - ...thus increasing # of compromised keys per node
- Search for function(p,m,|S|) optimum



Random pairwise key scheme

- Idea (Chan, Perrig, Song 2003):
 - □ two neighbours share pre-distributed pairwise key with $p \le 1$
- Pre-deployment phase:
 - pairwise keys for *m* randomly chosen nodes
 - key between given two nodes is predetermined or not exists (not looking for random one)

Properties:

- perfect resilience to node capture
- node-to-node authentication
- Iimited network size (n = m / p)



Single space pairwise keys

- Blom's pairwise key pre-distribution schemes
 Each two nodes can compute unique pairwise key from their public and private values
- Less memory costing than (n-1) scheme
 - $\Box \lambda$ + 1 elements (~ λ + 1 keys)
- Perfectly secure until λ nodes captured
 but totally compromised when > λ captured
- Still inconvenient for WSN
 - Inear dependency between memory and security

Multi-space pairwise keys

(Du, Deng, Han, Varshney - 2003) Combination of Single-space + EG key pool S contains Blom's key spaces random subset for each node 0.9 pairwise key is constructed 0.8 compromised from shared Blom's space 0.6 communications More resilient than EG until 0.5 0.4 treshold reached ÷



Location aware pre-deployment

- Limited location knowledge can be available (Du et.al.)
 same deployment "barrel"...
- Deployment area grid
 - nodes from near "cells" are more probable to be communication neighbours
- One of previous schemes is performed "locally" for group of probable neighbour nodes





Key Infection - motivation

More realistic attacker model not able to eavesdrop the whole network only a certain number of attacker's (black) nodes Atomic data from sensors are not sensitive □ the real value is in aggregates we don't try to secure all nodes but just majority No keys are hardwired in notes Iow production costs no danger in pre-deployment phases key material is distributed by 'contact', same as natural infection does

Key Infection - principle

Restricted attacker's model

- black/white ratio << 1</p>
- sensitive period just after deployment
- Plaintext key exchange with neighbours
 - keys established after deployment
 - after any network re-deployment
 - Transmission modes
 - Maximum screaming
 - max. transmission power being used
 - Whispering



whispering

power is gradually increased until a neighbour reached

Secrecy amplification



Multi-hop key establishment

Neighbours involved in key update

- 2-hop scheme: A, B participants, C mediator
- mediators immediately forget temporary values

"Push" model (Ross, Perrig, Chan)

- initialised by participant A
- A asks mediator C to amplify K_{AB} by retransmitting a number N
- □ K'AB = H(KAB || N)
- both A and B update link key to K'AB

KAB KAC(N) "Push" model



"Pull" model – our initial idea

"Pull" model

- initialised by mediator C
- C decides to amplify KAB for A and B by sending N
- \square K'AB = H(KAB || N)
- both A and B update link key KAB
- □ can be performed continually
 - 3x amplification gives substantial improvements



Key infection - comparison

average neighbours to compromised keys Averange neighbours to compromissed keys (black/white = 0.01) Averange neighbours to compromissed keys (black/white = 0.01) 6 25 Mutual whisper Maximal screaming Basic whisper "Push" amplif basic whisper Mutual whisper 5 20 "Pull" amplif basic whisper "Push" amplif basic whisper % of compromissed link keys "Push" amplif mutual whisper "Pull" amplif basic whisper compromissed link keys "Push" amplif mutual whisper "Pull" amplif mutual whisper 15 "Pull" amplif mutual whisper 10 З 5 2 ъ % 20 25 10 15 5 Averange number of neighbours 0 15 20 25 5 10 n Averange number of neighbours (mutual + "Push") is equal to (whisper + "Pull")

Key infection properties II.

Link keys are not compromised regularly highly insecure areas

most areas are more secure than average



Multi-path message routing

Based on non-regular keys compromise
 Message is encrypted by multiple keys
 more different BS or paths to one needed
 each key is send along different path
 attacker must eavesdrop all paths



Conclusions

WSN are expected to be in wide use security is important for most scenarios Common KDP approaches inappropriate □ restricted resources (memory, CPU, ...) Resources efficient and intrusion tolerant schemes need to be developed randomised approaches plaintext key exchange multipath message delivery

Questions to WSN?



O Remotely Keyed Encryption

Overview

Untrusted PC and smart card high-speed encryption classic approaches Remotely Keyed Encryption (RKE) attacker models protocol goals selected modes performance comparison

Classical approaches

Smart card as secure carrier

- key is stored on card, loaded to PC before encryption, then erased
- □ high speed encryption (>>MB/sec)
- attacker with access to PC during encryption will obtain the key
- Smart card as encryption device
 key never leaves card, PC sends data to encrypt
 low speed encryption (~kB/sec)
 attacker must attack smart card

RKE – requirements, idea

- Requirements:
 - high speed encryption
 - key never leaves smart card
 - encryption/decryption is possible only when smart card is present

 Idea: use on-card encryption, but move heavy work to PC in secure way
 Remotely Keyed Encryption (Blaze 1996)



Attacker models

Basic model (Blaze 96) attacker have no access to SC cannot create own requests attacker completely control PC (ops, values) Strong BFN model (BFN 98) attacker had access to SC for limited time was able to create own request (database) no access now

Strong attacker model goals

Inversion secure

attacker with access to decryption engine is not able to perform encryption and vice versa

Pseudorandom indistinguishable

encrypted text is indistinguishable from random string

Forgery secure

attacker is to able to encrypt/decrypt messages different from used requests

I-RaMaRK



I1 and THCEP

Fast modes for basic attacker model
 not inversion/forgery secure, key independent of file
 Requires only 1 APDU message



Length-Increasing RKE

1 APDU mode for strong attacker model
 randomization nonce must be used



Modes history

RKES (96) – basic model, broken RaMaRK (97) – basic model, broken P-RKES (98) – strong model, 2 APDU ARK (99) – strong model, 2 APDU SAES (99) – strong model, 2 APDU THCEP, I1 (00) – basic model, 1 APDU I-RaMaRK (00) – strong model, 2 APDU LI-SRKE (00) – strong model, 1 APDU

Performance comparison



Performance comparison (cont.)



Conclusions

Secure high speed encryption movie decryption □ file disk encryption Key never leaves smart card Most work moved to untrusted host Modified attacker model basic and strong model temporal access to smart card



O Block Cipher Modes for Authenticated Encryption

Overview

Message confidentiality, integrity, privacy Encryption, MAC, composition classic modes for block ciphers □ types of compositions Authenticated encryption modes (AE) usage scenarios important features selected modes

Confidentiality, integrity, privacy

Message confidentiality [encryption] attacker is not able to obtain info about plaintext Message integrity [MAC] attacker is not able to modify message without being detected (PTX, CTX) Message privacy [encryption] attacker is not able to distinguish between encrypted message and random string same message is encrypted each time differently

Encryption and MAC composition

Modes for block ciphers (CBC, CTR, CBC-MAC) Compositions (encryption + MAC) $\square encrypt-and-mac [E_{Ke,Km}(M) = E_{Ke}(M) | T_{Km}(M)]$ can fail with privacy and authenticity $\square mac-then-encrypt [E_{Ke,Km}(M) = E_{Ke}(M | T_{Km}(M))]$ can fail with authenticity \square encrypt-then-mac [E_{Ke,Km}(M) = E_{Ke}(M) || T_{Km}(E_{Ke}(M)] always provides privacy and authenticity Paralelizability issue Authenticated-encryption modes (AE) special block cipher modes for composed process

Usage scenarios

Powerful, parallelizable environments

 hardware accelerators

 Powerful, but almost serial environments

 personal computer, PDA

 Restricted environments

 smart card, cellular phone

Different scenarios have different needs

Important features for AE modes

- Provable security
- Performance, paralelizability, memory req.
 important for high-speed encryption, SC
- Patent
 - first AE modes were patented
- Associated data authentication
 authentication of non-encrypted part
- Online, incremental MAC, number of keys, endian dependency ...

EAX mode

Encrypt-than-mac composition Provable secure, unpatented



Offset CodeBook mode (OCB)

Memory efficient, fast modeProvable secure, but patented



Cipher-State mode (CS)

Memory efficient, fast mode, unpatented
 Not provable secure (inner state of cipher)



Galois/Counter Mode (GCM)

Need pre-computed table (4kB-64kB)fast mode, provable secure, unpatented



Conclusions

- Composition of ENC and MAC can fail encrypt-then-mac provable secure specially designed composed modes Most promising mode is patented (OCB) □ fast alternative GCM, CS Suitable mode depends on usage paralelizability, memory
 - specific needs (online, incremental MAC)



