

Data Synchronization in Privacy-Preserving RFID Authentication Schemes

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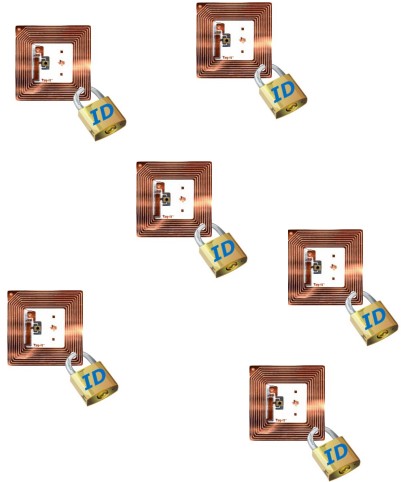
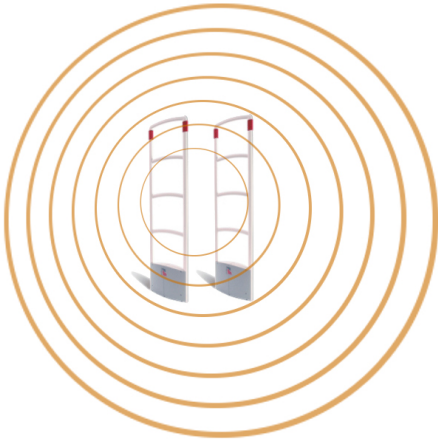
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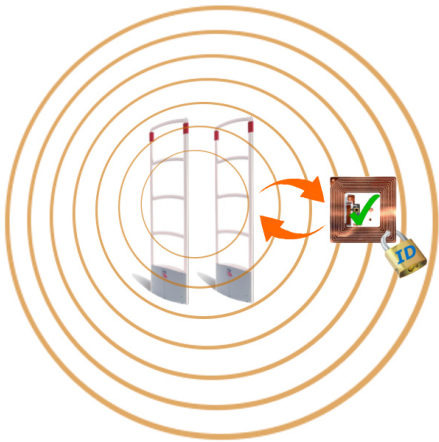
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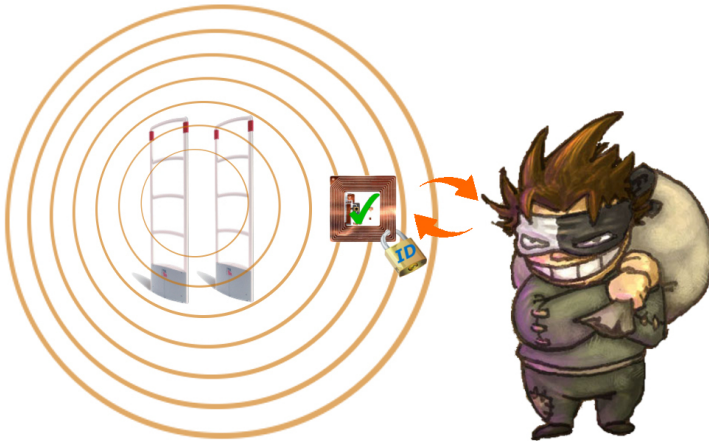


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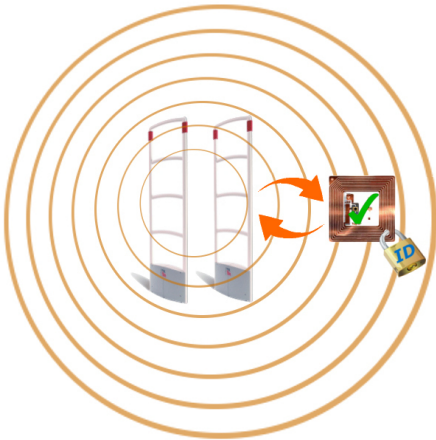
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Strong Correctness



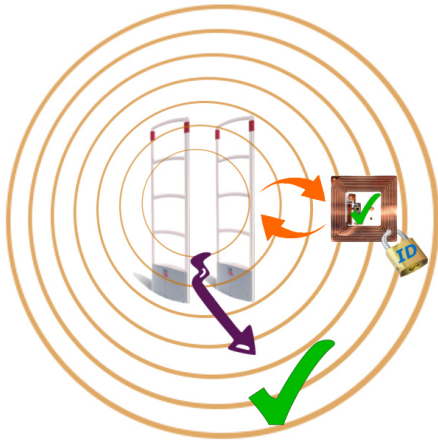
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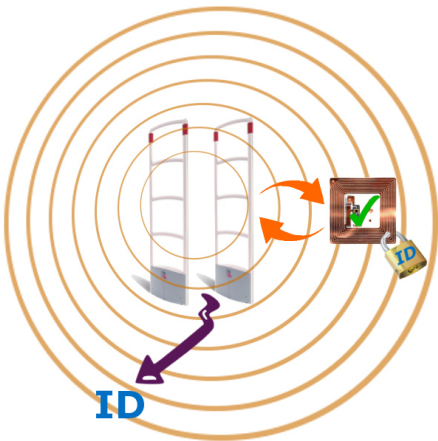
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Soundness



Sound : an adversary should not be accepted as an uncorrupted tag by a reader.

Privacy - Anonymity



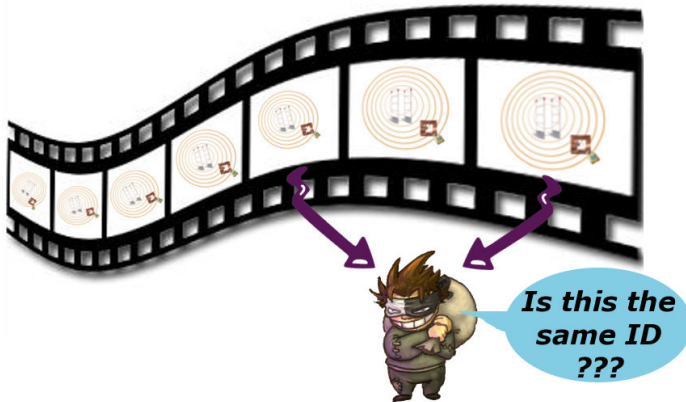
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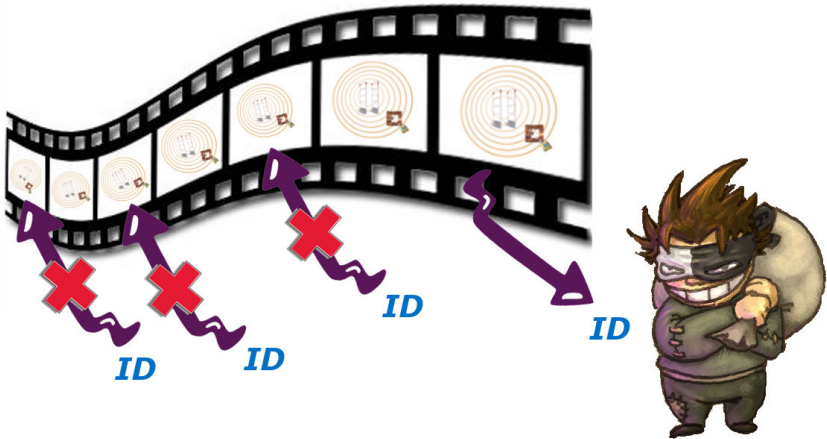
Anonymous : a tag is anonymous for everyone except the reader.

Privacy - Untraceability



Untraceable : an adversary is not able to link different authentications of the same tag.

Privacy - Forward-Privacy



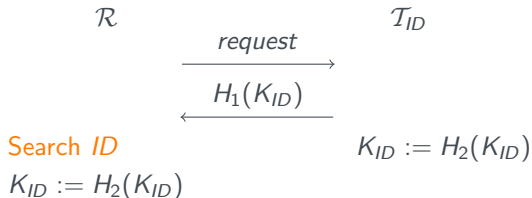
Forward-private : an adversary which obtains the secret data of a given tag is not able to recognize previous authentications of this tag.

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OSK Scheme

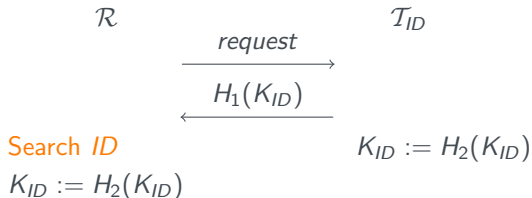
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- Correct
- Sound
- Private

OSK Scheme

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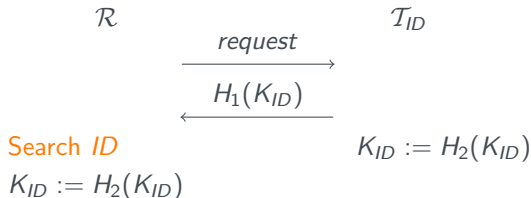


Search *ID*:

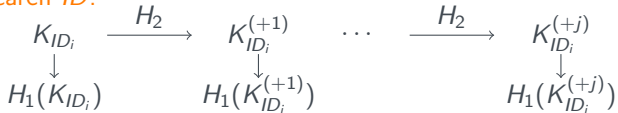
$$\begin{array}{c} K_{ID_i} \\ \downarrow \\ H_1(K_{ID_i}) \end{array}$$

OSK Scheme

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Search ID:



Attacks against the OSK Scheme

- An adversary can send as many requests as he wants to a tag, which consequently updates its key. Even if it takes some time, the reader is always able to **resynchronize** both keys.
- An adversary can answer to a request from the reader by sending a random value.

⇒ the search procedure “will never end”.

Solutions:

- OSK_m : the search procedure stops if no match is found after m updates of each key.
- OSK-AO: the database is constructed differently (using rainbow table) inducing a **faster search procedure**.

Problem: these protocols are **Desynchronizable** .
(= a valid tag can be rejected by a reader)

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Our New Modelization

The **Desynchronization Value** ($D_{\mathcal{R}}, D_{\mathcal{T}}$):

- $D_{\mathcal{R}}$: maximum number of times that an adversary can update the key stored in DB without updating the one stored in the tag.
- $D_{\mathcal{T}}$: maximum number of times that an adversary can update the key stored in a tag without updating the one stored in DB.

Example:

OSK, OSK_m and OSK-AO:

- the reader cannot be desynchronized $\Rightarrow D_{\mathcal{R}} = 0$.
- a tag can be desynchronized indefinitely $\Rightarrow D_{\mathcal{T}} = \infty$.

Our New Modelization

Formally:

- During the strong correctness experiment, \mathcal{A} interacts with the system and then chooses a legitimate tag ID

$$RK_{ID} = K_{ID}^j \text{ and } TK_{ID} = K_{ID}^i$$

- At the end of the experiment, we define both intermediary values:
 - $D_{\mathcal{R},\mathcal{A}} = j - i$
 - $D_{\mathcal{T},\mathcal{A}} = i - j$

Definition

For a given RFID authentication scheme, the *desynchronization value* of a scheme is the couple $(D_{\mathcal{R}}, D_{\mathcal{T}})$ with $D_{\mathcal{R}} = \text{Sup}_{\mathcal{A}}(D_{\mathcal{R},\mathcal{A}})$ and $D_{\mathcal{T}} = \text{Sup}_{\mathcal{A}}(D_{\mathcal{T},\mathcal{A}})$. The scheme is said $(D_{\mathcal{R}}, D_{\mathcal{T}})$ -desynchronizable .

Our New Modelization

The **Resynchronization Value** ($R_{\mathcal{R}}, R_{\mathcal{T}}$):

- $R_{\mathcal{R}}$: maximum number of times that a key stored in DB can be desynchronized while the corresponding tag is still accepted by the reader.
- $R_{\mathcal{T}}$: maximum number of times that a tag can be desynchronized while it is still accepted by the reader.

Example:

OSK:

- a tag can be resynchronized indefinitely $\Rightarrow R_{\mathcal{T}} = \infty$,
- the reader can not be desynchronized and so, no mechanism to resynchronize it is needed $\Rightarrow R_{\mathcal{R}} = 0$.

OSK_m/OSK-AO:

- a tag can be resynchronized only m times $\Rightarrow R_{\mathcal{T}} = m$,

Our New Modelization

Formally:

- We initialize a counter $C = 1$;
- We force the tag (resp. the reader) to update its secret key;
- An authentication protocol between the tag and the reader is launched;
- If the reader accepts the tag, we restart this procedure by incrementing C , else the resynchronization value is equal to $C - 1$.

Definition

For a given RFID authentication scheme, if $D_{\mathcal{R}} \leq R_{\mathcal{R}}$ and $D_{\mathcal{T}} \leq R_{\mathcal{T}}$, the scheme is said *synchronizable*. Else, the scheme is said *desynchronizable*.

For OSK_m and OSK-AO , as $D_{\mathcal{T}} > R_{\mathcal{T}}$, it is **desynchronizable**.

Our New Modelization

- **Efficiency of the Search Procedure:** for a given scheme, we compute the number of operations (per tag) performed by the reader to accept/reject a tag in the worst case.

Examples:

OSK:

- On reception of a random value, the reader updates “indefinitely” all stored values without finding a match.

OSK_m:

- On reception of a random value, the reader updates m times all stored values without finding a match, inducing $2m + 1$ computations of hash function per tag.

OSK-AO:

- On reception of a random value, the reader has to compute the end of each possible chain of the rainbow table and compares them with those stored in the database, inducing $2(t - 1)^2/n$ operations per tag.

Results in this model

Protocol	Des.	Res.	Search	Security
OSK	$(\infty, 0)$	$(\infty, 0)$	∞	OK
OSK _m	$(\infty, 0)$	$(m, 0)$	$2m + 1$	OK
OSK-AO	$(\infty, 0)$	$(m - 1, 0)$	$\frac{2(t-1)^2}{n}$	OK
Dimitriou	$(0, 1)$	$(0, 1)$	2	Traceable ¹
O-FRAP/O-FRAKE	$(0, 1)$	$(0, 1)$	2	No Forward-Privacy ²

No scheme presents all the requested properties.

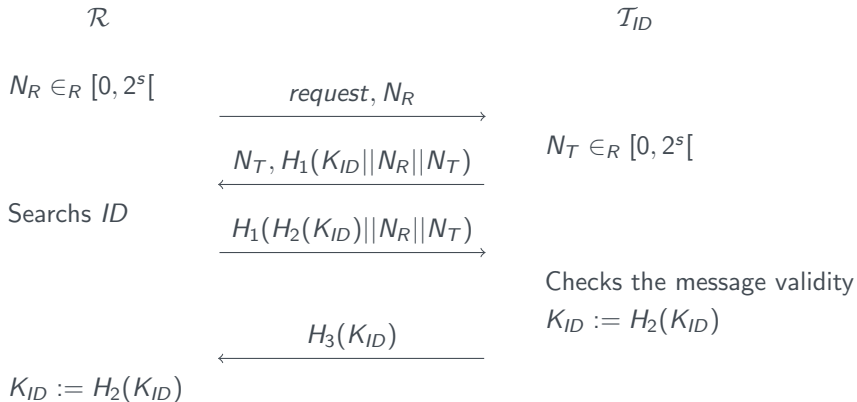
¹ This paper

² K. Ouafi and R. C.-W. Phan, Traceable Privacy of Recent Provably-Secure RFID Protocols. In ACNS 2008, volume 5037 of LNCS, pages 479-489, 2008.

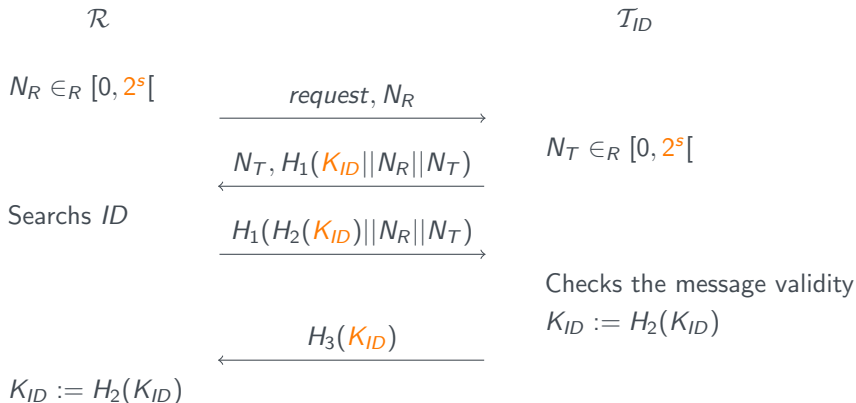
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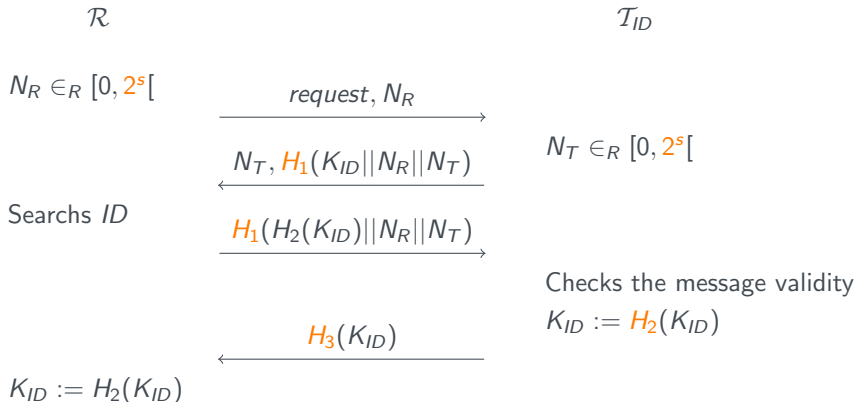
Our New Scheme: The C² Scheme



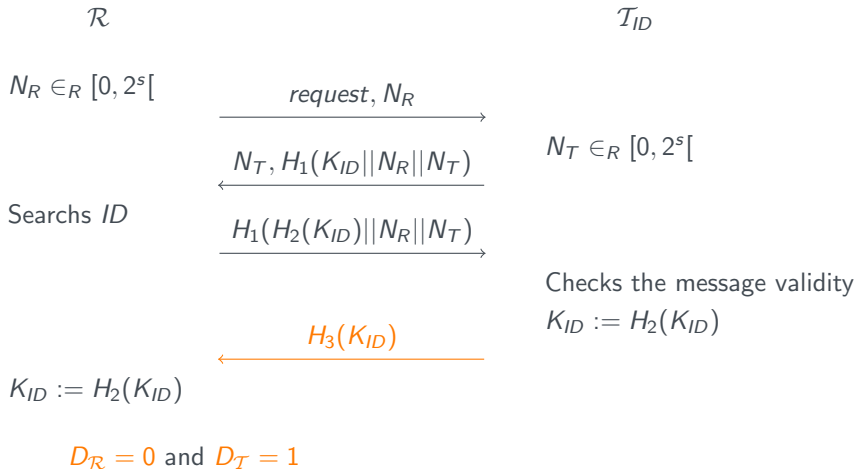
Security Properties - Soundness



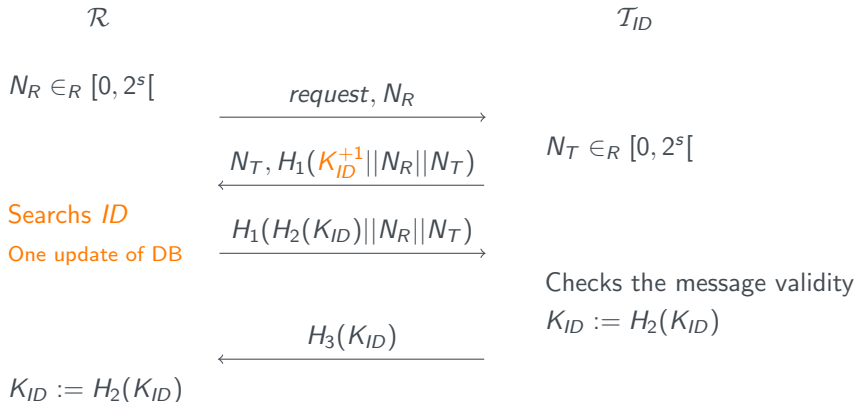
Security Properties - Privacy



Desynchronization Property



Resynchronization Property



$R_{\mathcal{R}} = 0$ and $R_{\mathcal{T}} = 1$. The scheme is synchronizable

Search Procedure Efficiency

 \mathcal{R} \mathcal{T}_{ID} \dots

$$\underbrace{N_T, r = H_1(K_{ID} || N_R || N_T)}_{\leftarrow}$$

Searchs ID :

- $\forall i \in [1, n]$ do
 $H_1(K_{ID_i}^R || N_R || N_T) \stackrel{?}{=} r$
- if there is no match $\forall i \in [1, n]$ do

$$\tilde{K}_{ID_i}^R := H_2(K_{ID_i}^R)$$

$$H_1(\tilde{K}_{ID_i}^R || N_R || N_T) \stackrel{?}{=} r$$

The search procedure works in **3 operations** in the worst case

Conclusion

Our contributions:

- We present new security properties to compare efficiency of RFID protocols.
- We study related work in this new model.
- We present a new privacy preserving authentication protocol with good desynchronization value at the price of some additional computations.

Open Problems:

- Show that at least one desynchronization, of the tag or the reader, is unavoidable when the protocol uses a key-update mechanism.
- Find a search procedure independent of the number of tags of the system.