

Improved Single Sign on Mechanism

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Abstract

In this mechanisms allow users to sign on only once and have their identities automatically verified by each application or service they want to access afterwards. There are many practical and secure single sign-on models even though it is of great importance to current distributed application. Many application architectures required the user to memorized and utilize a different set of credentials (eg, username/password or tokens) for each application he/she wants permission. In this approach is not practical and not secure with the exponential growth in the number of applications and services a user has to access both inside corporative environments . This is a new authentication mechanism that enables a legal user with a single credential to be authenticated by multiple service providers in distributed computer networks. In this paper we proposed a new single sign-on scheme and claimed its security by providing well-organized security arguments. In this paper shows the Chang & Lee scheme and it aims to enhance security using RSA encryption and decryption. The programming part is done using socket programming in Java. Identification of user is an important access control mechanism for client-server networking architectures. The goal of a this platform is to eliminate individual sign on procedures by centralizing user authentication and identity management at a central identity provider. In this paper a SSO the user should seamlessly authenticated to his multiple user accounts (across different systems) once he proves his identity to the identity provider

1. Introduction

WITH the widespread use of distributed pc networks, it has become common to permit users to access numerous network services offered by distributed service providers. Consequently, user authentication (also called user identification) plays an important role to verify if a user is legal in distributed computer networks and can so be granted access to the services requested. To avoid phoney servers, users sometimes ought to attest service providers. Once mutual authentication, a session key is also negotiated to keep the confidentiality of the data exchanged between a user and a service provider. In many scenarios, the anonymity of legal users must be secured as well. On the other side, it is usually unpractical by asking one user to maintain distinct pairs of identity and password for different providers, since this could increase the load of both users and service providers as well as the communication overhead of networks. To avoid this problem, the single sign-on (SSO) mechanism has

been introduced so that, after obtaining a credential from a trusted authority for a short period, each user's authentication person can use this single credential to complete authentication on behalf of the user and then access multiple service providers. An SSO scheme should meet at least three basic security requirements, i.e., enforceability, privacy.

2. Literature Survey

In the literature survey we will go to discuss various existing methods which allow user to access the services from multiple service providers in network. Below we are discussing some of them.

1. Chang and Lee proposed scheme. But in that two attacks are found as the First attack allows a malicious/bogus service details and then it act as a genuine service provider for user to access resources. In another attack, an unregistered without any credential details able to access

services offered by service provider. This leads to attack.

2. L. Harn and J. Ren proposed a similar concept like SSO known as generalized digital certificate (GDC), in this system authentication is done by digital certificate. It is used in wireless network system will get the digital signature GDC which is provided by a trusted authority, after that user can authenticate self with the help of GCD signature. Every user will get unique GCD Signature.

3. Hsu–Chuang user identification scheme is also based on SSO mechanism. There are two drawback found in scheme as 1) an outside user can able to create a valid authentication details without registered to any trusted authority and with that details also able to access services. 2) This requires clock synchronization as it is based on time stamp.

4. Han proposed a generic SSO structure. This is based on broadcast encryption in Addition with zero Knowledge (ZK) proof In this scheme user knows the equivalent private key of a given public key. With this each user is considered to have been issued a public key in a public key infrastructure (PKI). By making use of RSA cryptosystem ZK proof is very inefficient and unproductive due to the complexity of interactive communications between the a user and the verifier (a service provider).

5. A. C. Weaver and M. W. Condry propose an alternative- a client server architecture that can assign some multifaceted data processing and device interface tasks to a network device, the Net Edge

3. Existing System

It is usually not practical by asking one user to maintain different pairs of identity and passwords for different service providers since this could increase the workload of both users and service providers as well as the communication overhead of networks. To avoid this problem, single sign-on (SSO) mechanism

is introduced so that after obtaining a login from a trusted authority each legal user can use this single credential to authenticate itself and then access multiple service providers. This scheme should meet at least two basic Security requirements ex: soundness and credential privacy. In Soundness means that an unregistered user without a credential should not be able to access the services offered by service providers and Credential privacy guarantees that

colluded dishonest service providers should not be able to fully recover a user's credential and then impersonate the user to log in other service providers.

1. Actually AN SSO theme, has 2 weaknesses outsider will forget a sound written document by mounting a written document formation attack since the theme utilized naïve RSA signature while not mistreatment any hash operate to issue a written document for any random identity.

2. Their theme is appropriate for mobile devices because of its high potency in computation and communication.

3. This paper aims to reinforce security mistreatment RSA cryptography and decipherment.

4. We denote the safety flaw of Hsu and Chuang's theme as follows.

5. Hsu–Chuang's theme really uses the RSA cryptosystem to generate a secure token S_i for every user.

6. In other words, S_i is thought to be the signature of the identity.

7. As we know, a signature supported RSA is existentially forgeable.

8. We have a tendency to demonstrate this doable attack as follows.

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12. If so, it's next determined whether or not the claimed invention as a full is not any quite the algorithmic program itself; that's, whether or not the claim is directed to a mathematical algorithmic program that's not applied to or restricted by physical components or method steps.

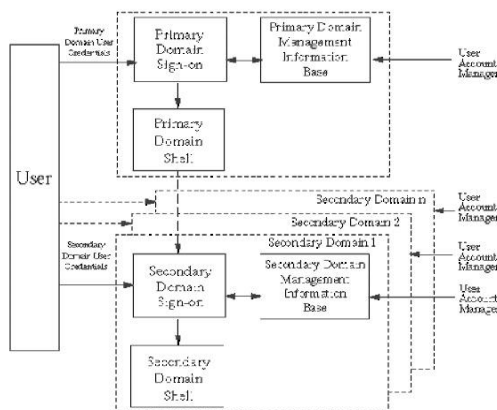
13. Such claims are non statutory However, once the mathematical algorithmic program is applied in one or additional steps of AN otherwise statutory method claim, or one or additional components of AN otherwise statutory equipment claim, the wants of section a hundred and one are met.

4. Proposed Work

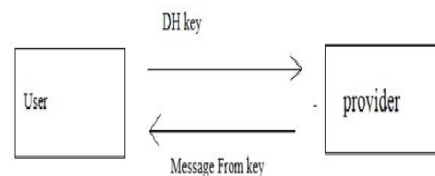
The first attack, the "credential sick attack compromises the certification privacy within the

theme as a malicious service supplier is ready to recover the certification of a authenticated user. This attack supported RSA Techniques. Other attack associate an outside user could also be ready to freely create use of resources and services offered by service suppliers. The attackers will with success impersonate a legal user while not holding a sound certification associated therefore violates the necessity of soundness for an SSO theme. In an exceedingly real life these attacks might place each users and repair suppliers at high risk In fact this is often a conventional moreover as prudent thanks to trot out trait. We tend to cannot merely assume that beside the trusty authority for all service suppliers also are trusty

applications among an enterprise. As passwords square measure the smallest amount secure authentication mechanism, single sign up has currently become referred to as reduced sign up (RSO) since over one sort of authentication mechanism is employed in keeping with enterprise risk models. It has ability for authentication and authorization policies across the enterprise. Finish to finish user audit sessions to enhance security coverage and auditing. Removes application developers from having to know and implement identity security in their applications sometimes ends up in important watchword facilitate table price savings.

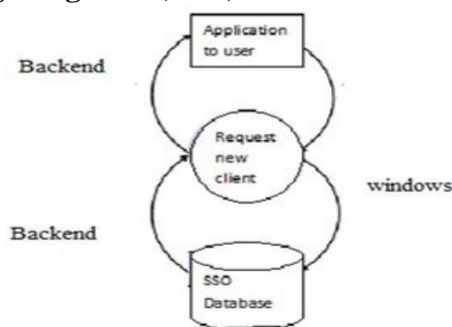


B. User Identification Phase



In this method we check RSA signature using DH key .To access the resources of service provider, user needs to go through the authentication protocol . A symmetric key encryption scheme which is used to protect the confidentiality of user's identity. Suppose a service request message from user, service provider generates and return user message which is made up by RSA on Signature Once this signature is validated, it means that user has authenticated service provider successfully. If he receives any message service provider can confirm validity by checking .After that the user generates the key temporarily. Once u close the process the same key does not work automatically your session are stopped.

A. Single Sign On (SSO)



Single sign-on (SSO) is a session/user authentication method that allows a user to enter one name and watchword so as to access multiple applications. The method authenticates the user for all the applications they need been given rights to and eliminates additional prompts after they switch applications throughout a specific session. Single Sign On is that the ability for a user to enter a similar id associated watchword to logon to multiple

5. Recovering Attack

The malicious and then mount the above attack. On the one hand, the Chang-Lee SSO scheme specifies that is the trusted party. So, this implies that service providers are not trusted parties and that they could be malicious. By agreeing with, when they said that "the Wu-Hsu's modified version cold not protect the user's token against a malicious service provider, the work also implicitly agrees that there is the potential for

attacks from malicious service providers against SSO schemes. Moreover, if all service providers are assumed to be trusted, to identify him/her user can simply encrypt his/her credential under the RSA public key of service provider. Then, can easily decrypt this cipher text to get 's credential and verify its validity by checking if it is a correct signature issued by . In fact, such a straightforward scheme with strong assumption is much simpler, more efficient and has better security, at least against this type of attack.

6. Non-interactive zero-knowledge (NZK)

The basic idea of VES is that Alice who has a key pair of signature scheme signs a given message and encrypts the resulting signature under the trusted party's public key, and uses a non-interactive zero-knowledge (NZK) proof to convince Bob that she has signed the message and the trusted party can recover the signature from the cipher text. After validating the proof, Bob can send his signature for the same message to Alice. For the purpose of fair exchange, Alice should send her signature in plaintext back to Bob after accepting Bob's signature.

7. Security Analysis

The security of the improved SSO scheme by focusing on the security of the user authentication part, especially soundness and credential privacy due to two reasons. On the one hand, the unforgeability of the credential is guaranteed by the unforgeability of RSA signatures, and the security of service provider authentication is ensured by the unforgeability of the secure signature scheme chosen by each service provider.

8. Conclusion

In this paper, we demonstrated two effective attacks on Chang and Lee's single sign-on (SSO) scheme. The first attack shows that their scheme cannot protect the privacy of a user's credential, and thus, a malicious service provider can a legal user in order to enjoy the resources and services from other service providers.

The second attack violates the soundness of authentication by giving an outside attacker without credential the chance to impersonate even a nonexistent user and then freely access resources and services provided by service providers. We also discussed why their well-organized security arguments are not strong enough to guarantee the security of their SSO scheme. In addition, we

explained why Hsu and Chuang's scheme is also vulnerable to these attacks. Furthermore, by employing an efficient verifiable encryption of RSA signatures introduced by Ateniese, we proposed an improved Chang-Lee scheme to achieve soundness

and credential privacy. As future work, it is interesting to formally define authentication soundness and construct efficient and provably secure single sign-on schemes. Based on the draft of this work a preliminary formal model addressing the soundness of SSO has been proposed. Further research is necessary to investigate the maturity of this model and study how the security of the improved SSO scheme proposed in this paper can be formally proven.

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