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An Efficient and Secure Data Transmission for Wireless Sensor Networks

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ABSTRACT:

Novel advance in wireless communications and electronics have led to the development of low-cost, low power and multifunctional small smart sensors. These sensors have the ability to sense, process data and communicate with each other via a wireless connection. Collection of a large number of these sensors is known as a wireless sensor network (WSN). In wireless sensor networks nodes are deployed to detect events or environmental phenomena by sensing, processing and forwarding data to an interested user. Clustering is an effective and practical way to enhance the system performance of WSNs. In this paper, we learn a secure data transmission for cluster-based WSNs (CWSNs), where the clusters are formed dynamically and periodically.

We propose two Secure and Efficient data Transmission (SET) protocols for CWSNs, called SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS, by using the Identity-Based digital Signature (IBS) scheme and the Identity-Based Online/Offline digital Signature (IBOOS) scheme, respectively. In SET-IBS, security relies on the hardness of the Diffie-Hellman problem in the pairing domain. SET-IBOOS further reduces the computational overhead for protocol security, which is crucial for WSNs, while its security relies on the hardness of the discrete logarithm problem. We show the feasibility of the SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS protocols with respect to the security requirements and security analysis against various attacks. The calculations and simulations are provided to illustrate the efficiency of the proposed protocols.

KEYWORDS: ***Wireless Sensor Networks, Secure and Efficient data Transmission protocols, Identity-Based digital Signature (IBS), Identity-Based Online/Offline digital Signature (IBOOS).***

INTRODUCTION

The growth in technology mean that many wireless sensor nodes are now relatively low cost; however, the cost of deploying them can remain high. There is a requirement to get the longest life out of a network of sensors and the life is generally limited by battery power consumption. A wireless sensor network (WSN) consists of a collection of these nodes that have the ability to sense, process data and communicate with each other via a wireless connection. Wireless sensor networks (WSN's), the improvement in sensor technology has made it possible to have extremely small, low powered sensing devices equipped with programmable computing, multiple parameter sensing and wireless communication capability. Also, the low cost makes it possible to have a network of hundreds or thousands of these sensors, thereby enhancing the reliability and accuracy of data and the area coverage. Wireless sensor networks offer information about remote structures, wide-spread environmental changes, etc. in unknown and inhospitable terrains. There are a number of advantages of wireless sensor net- works over wired ones such as ease of deployment (reducing installation cost), extended range (network of tiny sensor s can be distributed over a wider region.

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A Wireless sensor network (WSN) is a system of network comprised of spatially dispersed devices using wireless sensor nodes to examine environmental or physical conditions, such as temperature, sound and movement. The individual nodes are competent of sensing their environments, processing the information statistics in the vicinity, and sending data to one or more compilation points in a WSN. Efficient transmission of data is one of the most significant issues for WSNs. Usually many WSNs are installed in unobserved, harsh and often adversarial physical environments for specific applications, such as armed forces domains and sensing tasks with unreliable surroundings. Efficient and secure transmission of data is thus very essential and is required in many such realistic WSNs. Cluster based transmission of data in WSNs, has been examined by researchers in order to accomplish the network scalability and supervision, which maximizes node life span and reduces bandwidth utilization by using local cooperationbetween sensor nodes. In a cluster based WSN (CWSN), each cluster has a leader sensor node, known as cluster head (CH). A CH collects the data gathered by the leaf nodes (non CH sensor nodes) in its cluster, and sends the pooled data to the base station (BS).The probability of the asymmetric key management has been revealed in WSNs in recent times, which compensates the deficiency from relating the symmetric key management for security. Digital signature is one of the most significant security services presented by cryptography in asymmetric key management systems, where the binding between the public key and the recognition of the signer is acquired via a digital certificate. The Identity Based digital Signature (IBS) scheme, based on the complexity of factoring integers from Identity.

Based Cryptography (IBC), is to develop an entity's public key from its character information, e.g., from its identification number or its name. This states that security must encompass every phase of the design of a wireless sensor network application that will require a high intensity of security. Probable applications comprise monitoring isolated or hostile locations, objective tracking in combat zone, catastrophe liberation networks, premature fire recognition, and environmental supervision. A primary topic that must be addressed when using cluster based security protocols based on symmetric session keys is the means used for ascertaining the session keys in the primary place.

RELATED WORK

In the related work, several schemes have introduced an intermediate tier between the sink and sensors. LEACH is a clustering based routing protocol, where cluster heads can fuse the data collected from its neighbors to reduce communication cost to the sink. However, LEACH does not address storage problem. Data centric storage schemes, as another category of the related work, store data on different places according to different data types. In the authors propose a data centric storage scheme based on Geographic Hash Table, where the home site of data is obtained by applying a hash function on the data type. Another practical improvement is proposed in by removing the requirement of point to point routing. Ahn and Krishnamachari analyze the scaling behavior of data centric query for both unstructured and structured (e.g., GHT) networks and derive some key scaling conditions. GEM is another approach that supports data centric storage and applies graph embedding technique to map data to sensor nodes. In general, the data centric storage schemes assume some understanding about the collected data and extra cost is needed to forward data to the corresponding keeper nodes. Data aggregation protocols are required in Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs) to improve the data accuracy and extend the network lifetime by reducing the energy consumption.

Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs) can provide low cost solutions to various real world problems. WSN consists of spatially distributed autonomous sensors to monitor physical or environmental conditions, such as temperature, sound, vibration, pressure, motion or pollutants and to cooperatively pass their data through the network to a main location. To consider energy

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balancing for nodes is an important factor in wireless sensor networks. Many routing, power management and data dissemination protocols have been specifically designed for WSNs where energy consumption is an essential design issue. Owing to the limited resources available for sensor nodes, designing energy efficient routing mechanism to prolong the overall network lifetime has become one of the most important technologies in wireless sensor networks (WSNs). (Fig1.)

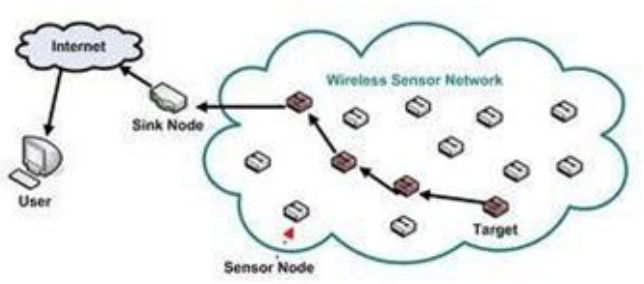

Fig.1.Wireless Sensor Network Diagram

Online/Offline Signature Schemes: Online/Offline signature schemes divide the process of message signing into two phases, the Offline phase and the Online phase. The Offline phase, which consists of complex computations, is performed before the message to be signed becomes available. Once the message is known, the On line phase starts. This phase retrieves the partial signature calculated during the Offline phase and performs some minor quick computations to obtain the final signature. The Online phase is assumed to be very fast, consisting of small computations. The Offline phase can be performed by a resourceful device. Online/Offline allows a resource constrained sensor node to sign a message quickly.

ID-based Online/Offline Signature (IBOOS): An Online/Offline Signature (OOS) scheme divides the process of message signing into two phases, the Offline phase and the online phase. The Offline phase is performed before the message to be signed becomes available. This phase performs most of the computations of signature generation and results in a partial signature. Once the message is known, the On line phase starts. This phase retrieves the partial signature calculated during the Offline phase and performs some minor quick computations to obtain the final signature. The Online phase is assumed to be very fast consisting of small computations while the Offline phase can be performed by any other resourceful device. IBOOS is the ID-based version of OOS, where a message signed with a signer's private key is verified using the signer's ID.

An ID-based online/offline signature (IBOOS) scheme consists of five elements as follows:

1. System Setup (SS): Given a security parameter 1k , outputs a master secret key SK PKG and system parameters SP.
2. Key Extraction (KE): Given a user's identity ID i and a master secret key SK PKG , outputs a corresponding private key D ID
3. Offline Signing (OffSign): Given a signing key D ID i and system parameters SP, outputs an offline signature
4. Online Signing (OnSign): Given a message m and an offline signature S, outputs an online signature σ
5. Signature Verification (Ver): Given a message m ,user's identity ID i , signature σ and system parameters SP, returns 1 if the signature is valid and 0 if not.

EXISTING SYSTEM:

Adding security to LEACH-like protocols is challenging because they dynamically, randomly, and periodically rearrange the network's clusters and data links. Therefore, providing steady long-lasting node-to-node trust relationships and common key distributions are inadequate for LEACH-like protocols. There are some secure data transmission protocols based on LEACH-like protocols, such as SecLEACH , GS-LEACH, and RLEACH.

DISADVANTAGES OF EXISTING SYSTEM:

- Symmetric key management suffers from a so-called orphan node problem.
- It cannot participate in any cluster, and therefore, has to elect itself as a CH.

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- Increases the overhead of transmission and system energy consumption by raising the number of CHs.

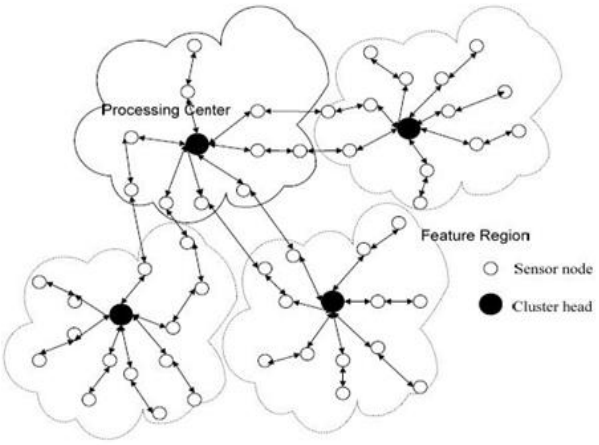
PROPOSED SYSTEM:

We propose two Secure and Efficient data transmission protocols for CWSNs, called SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS. it provide feasibility of the proposed SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS with respect to the security requirements and analysis against routing attacks. SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS are efficient in communication and applying the ID- based cryptosystem, which achieves security requirements in CWSNs, as well as solved the orphan node problem in the secure transmission protocols with the symmetric key management.

ADVANTAGES OF PROPOSED SYSTEM:

- The proposed SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS protocols have better performance than existing secure protocols for CWSNs. With respect to both computation and communication costs, we pointed out the merits that using SET-IBOOS with less auxiliary security overhead is preferred for secure data transmission in CWSNs.
- Reduce the computational overhead for security using the IBOOS scheme.

SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE:



Modules

1. SET Protocol
2. Key management for security

a. Neighborhood authentication
b. Storage cost
c. Network scalability
d. Communication overhead
e. Computational overhead
f. Attack resilience

Modules Description

SET Protocol

In this module, Secure and Efficient data Transmission (SET) protocol for CWSNs. The SET-IBOOS protocol is designed with the same purpose and scenarios for CWSNs with higher efficiency. The proposed SET-IBOOS operates similarly to the previous SETIBS, which has a protocol initialization prior to the network deployment and operates in rounds during communication. We first introduce the protocol initialization, then describe the key management of the protocol by using the IBOOS scheme, and the protocol operations afterwards.

Key management for security

In this module, security is based on the DLP in the multiplicative group. The corresponding private pairing parameters are preloaded in the sensor nodes during the protocol initialization. The IBOOS scheme in the proposed SET-IBOOS consists of following four operations, extraction, offline signing, online signing and verifications.

Key management

In this Module, the key cryptographies used in the protocol to achieve secure data transmission, which consist of symmetric and asymmetric key based security. • Neighborhood authentication

In this module, used for secure access and data transmission to nearby sensor nodes, by authenticating with each other. Here, “limited” means the probability of neighborhood authentication, where only the nodes with the shared pairwise key can authenticate each other.

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Storage cost

In this module, represents the requirement of the security keys stored in sensor node's memory.

Network scalability

In this module, indicates whether a security protocol is able to scale without compromising the security requirements. Here, "comparative low" means that, compared with SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS, in the secure data transmission with a symmetric key management, the larger network scale increases, the more orphan nodes appear in the network.

Communication overhead

In this module, the security overhead in the data packets during communication.

Computational overhead

In this module, the energy cost and computation efficiency on the generation and verifications of the certificates or signatures for security.

Attack resilience

In this module, the types of attacks that security protocol can protect against.

CONCLUSION

The features of the proposed SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS protocols as follows. Both the proposed SET-IBS and SET- IBOOS protocols provide secure data transmission for CWSNs with concrete ID-based settings, which use ID information and digital signature for authentication. Thus, both SET-IBS and SET-IBOOS fully solve the orphan-node problem from using the symmetric key management for CWSNs. The proposed secure data transmission protocols are with concrete ID-based settings, which use ID information and digital signature for verification. Comparing the SET- IBS, SET-IBOOS requires less energy for computation and storage. Moreover, the SET-IBOOS is more suitable for node-to-node communications in CWSNs, since the computation is lighter to be executed. In SET-IBOOS, the offline signature is executed by the CH sensor nodes, thus, sensor nodes do not have to execute the offline algorithm before it wants to sign on a new message. Furthermore, the offline sign phase does not use any sensed data or secret information for signing. This is particularly useful for CWSNs, because leaf sensor nodes do not need auxiliary communication for renewing the offline signature.

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