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Wireless Authentication Protocol Preserving User Anonymity

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Abstract— We propose authentication and key agreement protocol that preserves the anonymity of a mobile user in wireless mobile environments. while a mobile user and his visited network mutually authenticate each other, the anonymity of the user should be preserved. In order to provide user anonymity, we present the computation method of the temporary identity (TID) during the authentication process. TID is initially computed by user at the beginning and renewed by both user and network during the execution of the protocol. In addition to guaranteeing user anonymity, we also consider the secure key agreement required in the design of wireless authentication protocol.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Anonymity in Wireless Systems

When a user is roaming in wireless systems, it is desirable to protect the relevant information about him. Assuring the anonymity of a mobile user prevents unintended parties from associating him with the messages to/from him or with the sessions in which he participates. In conventional communications systems, with fixed users and wired networks, anonymity of communicating parties and their location has not been considered to be significant issue. It has of a great security importance in wireless mobile environments. The disclosure of a mobile user's identity allows unauthorized entities to track his moving history and current location. The illegal access to any information related to user's location without his notice can be a serious violation of his privacy.

To use the mobile services in wireless environments, a user should identify and authenticate himself to the serving network who provides mobile application services to him. The serving network may be his home network or visited network depending on his current location. We generally assume that visited network is under a different administrative domain from the home network.

A common solution requires that the user authenticates himself to his home network which then confirms the correctness of his identity in the visited network during the authentication process. The user should provide his unambiguous identity to the home network and prove his legality. What is needed is a secure authentication protocol which provides both the authentication and the confidentiality of a mobile user during the execution of the protocol.

1.2 Wireless Authentication Protocols

One of important issues in the provision of security services in wireless systems is to design the authentication protocol which will be executed at the beginning of call set-up procedure. With the well designed authentication protocol, communication partners authenticate each other and agree on the secret session key which will be used to secure the subsequent session [BM98].

When designing a wireless authentication protocol, we should consider the factors such as the properties of protocol environments and the resources of protocol entities [CGM96]. There are several factors specific to mobile communications systems. Wireless link between user and its serving network is more vulnerable to attacks than wired networks. The mobile stations are inherently limited in the computational capability compared with other network devices [BM98].

We also have to consider the security features that should be evaluated in the design of authentication protocol between user and network in wireless systems. Those include the following: mutual entity authentication, mutual authenticated key agreement, mutual assurance of key freshness, confidentiality of user identity, non-repudiation of the charging related data, and so on [HMM, CJM95, HP98]. We focus on the anonymity, i.e. confidentiality of user identity over the wireless and wired link.

In this paper, we propose an authentication and key agreement protocol that satisfies the required security services in wireless systems and especially assures the confidentiality of user identity. This paper is organized as follows. Section 2 reviews previous protocols in which user anonymity is one of design goals. We describe the design process of authentication protocol in Section 3 and evaluate the security features of the proposed protocol in Section 4. Conclusions will follow in Section 5.

2 Review of Previous Protocols

We review the previous protocols based on the anonymity mechanism which is adopted in the protocol design. A basic solution for the provision of user anonymity is to use the temporary identity (TID) of a mobile user instead of his real one. TID has been called as other terms such as (traveling) alias [MST94, NA94, SMA95], or subliminal identity [VM97]. There are several schemes that have been proposed for the generation and computation of TID.

We will try to use the following common notation to describe the protocols in this paper and some notations may be slightly different from those in the original protocol.

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TID_A	Temporary identity of a entity A
$\{X\}_K$	Encryption of a message X using a key K
K_{AB}	Shared secret key between A and B
PK_A, SK_A	Public key and secret key pair of A
M	Mobile user and/or his real identity
H	Home network of a mobile user
V	Visited network of a mobile user
T_A	Time stamp generated by an entity A

2.1 Anonymity by using prearranged TID

One method for providing user anonymity is to use the prearranged TID's which have been distributed by the home network beforehand. A mobile user stores TID whose mapping real identity is only known to both entities. The same TID is shared between user and his home network on short-term or long-term basis.

The use of TID on long-term basis can be found in the authentication protocol proposed by Molva et al. [MST94]. They used a unique temporary identity for the identification of a mobile user which is called as traveling alias and has the similar structure to the real identity. When using a long-term based prearranged TID, user and his home network should change the alias at regular intervals, because unintended third parties, who observe the protocol with time, may be able to infer the relationship between the TID and its mapping real identity. They need to run an additional secure protocol to share a new TID used for the next some period.

The identification and authentication procedure in GSM (Global Systems for Mobile communications) is another example using a prearranged TID on short term basis. In GSM, user anonymity is provided by using the temporary identity called $TMSI$ (Temporary Mobile Subscriber Identity) instead of a real identity $IMSI$ (International Mobile subscriber identity) and it is assumed the wired part between home network and visited network is secure [MG98]. When a mobile user M enters a new visited network V, he sends his current $TMSI$ to identify him to the visited network. After the successful identification and authentication process, a new temporary identity $TMSI'$ is given by the network. Fig.1 shows this process. A set of triplet $\langle RAND, SRES, K_{MV}\rangle$ is used to authenticate user and to compute a secret session key. $RAND$ is a random number challenge, $SRES$ is the response $\{RAND\}_{K_{MH}}$ using an authentication algorithm A_3 and K_{MV} is a secret session key $\{RAND\}_{K_{MH}}$ using a key generation algorithm A_8.

(1)	$M \rightarrow V$	$TMSI$
(2)	$V \rightarrow H$	$IMSI, V$
(3)	$V \leftarrow H$	a set of $\langle RAND, SRES, K_{MV}\rangle$ triplets
(4)	$M \leftarrow V$	$RAND$
(5)	$M \rightarrow V$	$SRES$
(6)	$M \leftarrow V$	$TMSI'$

Figure 1: Identification and Authentication in GSM

But, when $TMSI$ is not available on account of any reason, M should send his real identity $IMSI$ in the clear through the air interface. This situation arises when a user first turns on his mobile terminal in a new visited network or when the synchronization of TMSI between visited networks is lost. GSM provides a weak security feature in assuring the user anonymity.

2.2 Anonymity by Encrypting the Real identity

Other method is to encrypt the real identity to generate TID during the run of the authentication protocol [NA94, SMA95, LH95]. A mobile user encrypts his real identity with the public key of his home network which has been already known to him and the time variant parameters selected independently in each session, such as random numbers and time stamps, so called "nonces".

Authentication protocol proposed by Samfat et al. is based on shared key cryptosystem [SMA95]. They applied public key encryption scheme for user anonymity only. The computation of TID is performed by the public key encryption of his real identity using the public key of the home network. The protocol is depicted in Fig.2. $AUTH$ is used for message authentication token from originator and receiver. $TICK$ is used for the transport of a secret key which will be shared for secure communication and message authentication between the receiver and other party . They are computed as follows:

$$AUTH_{AB} = [r_A, T_A, Token\{A, T_A, r_A\}_{K_{AB}}]$$

$$TICK\{A, B, C, K_{BC}\}_{K_{AB}} = Token\{r_A \oplus C, r_B, r_A \oplus A\}_{K_{AB}} \oplus K_{BC}$$

where,

$$Token\{A, T_A, r_A\}_{K_{AB}} = \{A \oplus \{T_A \oplus \{r_A\}_{K_{AB}}\}_{K_{AB}}\}_{K_{AB}}$$

(1)	$M \rightarrow V$	$H, TID_M, AUTH_{MV}$
(2)	$V \rightarrow H$	$TID_M, TID_V, AUTH_{VH}$
(3)	$V \leftarrow H$	$\{r_M\}_{P_V}$, $TICK\{H, V, TID_M, K_{MV}\}_{K_{VH}}$
(4)	$M \leftarrow V$	$TICK\{V, TID_M, V, P_V\}_{K_{MV}}$

Figure 2: Samfat et al.'s Protocol

In this protocol, the user temporary identity TID_M is computed as $\{r_M, r_M \oplus M\}_{PK_H}$, where $\oplus$ denotes bitwise exclusive-OR operation. To provide anonymity, the real identity M and a random number r_M are encrypted using the public key of the home network PK_H , where r_M is generated independently in each session to compute and renew the TID_M. After the successful establishment of the temporary user identity TID_M in the first authentication protocol, a user and his visited network can compute a new temporary identity TID'_M by using the similar computation technique, i.e. $TID'_M = \{r'_M, r'_M \oplus TID_M\}_{PK_V}$, which will be used in the next session.

2.3 Anonymity in ASPeCT

Another method is similar to the previous one in that the real identity is encrypted. But, the authentication protocol is based on public key cryptosystems and symmetric key encryption using the encryption key agreed between user and network is adopted to provide user anonymity. ASPeCT protocol [HP98] shows the example of this case for providing user anonymity.

For the description of the protocol, let G be a group of order q with generator g and r_M, r_V be randomly chosen in group Z_q. Then, ASPeCT protocol is depicted in Fig.3, where V denotes Value-Added Service Provider(VASP).

As shown in the protocol, identification and anonymity of a user are achieved by the symmetric encrpytion in the third message. The certificate of a user $cert_M$ are encrypted

(1)	$M \rightarrow V$	g^{r_M}
(2)	$M \leftarrow V$	$r_V, h2(K_{MV}, r_V, V), chd, T_V, cert_V$
(3)	$M \rightarrow V$	$\{\{h3(g^{r_M}, g^{SK_V}, r_V, V)\}_{SK_V}, chd,$ $T_V, pay, cert_V\}_{K_{MV}}$

Figure 3: ASPeCT Protocol

with the agreed session key $K_{MV} = h1(g^{r_M \cdot SK_V}, r_V)$. But, in this protocol, network does not know if the user is a legal subscriber until it receives his certificate in the last protocol message. We also need to note that the security mechanism between home network and visited network is not considered in this protocol.

ASPeCT provides more enhanced security features based on public key cryptosystems than other protocols described above. It obtains a lot of advantages from using public key cryptosystems and public key certificates issued by trusted third parties (TTP's) that can be trusted by protocol participants. It also provides most of security features required in wireless authentication protocols that has been mentioned in the previous section.

But, ASPeCT have some security problems in session key agreement. It lacks of forward secrecy as already pointed out by Park et al. [PBM00]. Another problem is that it uses the same agreed session key K_{MV} for authentication of message in the second message and for encryption in the third message within the protocol itself. This may results in the disclosure of partial information about the session key that would be used in the following session [VS99].

3 Wireless Authentication Protocol Preserving User Anonymity

In this section, we propose a wireless authentication protocol which guarantees user anonymity and assures the freshness of temporary identity in each session.

When designing a protocol, we will describe some initial assumptions and the required security goals in wireless authentication protocol. In particular, we place emphasis on user anonymity. Proposed protocol is based on public key cryptosystems that include digital signature and Diffie-Hellman key exchange. We adopt challenge-response authentication mechanism by using nonces such ad random numbers and timestamps that are independently generated by protocol entities. We will also try to improve some security problems of ASPeCT protocol which was discussed in the previous section.

3.1 Initial Assumptions

We assume a protocol environments of wireless mobile systems in which the proposed authentication protocol is executed. A user has a mobile terminal which is equipped with his personal device, user identity module (UIM) such as a smart card that has limited computational capabilities. UIM can store the information about its user that includes his real identity and public key certificate. It is also assumed that some portion of security services and their initializations relies on the trusted third party (TTP). There may exist some TTP's that each entity can trust. But, we don't consider the hierarchical architecture between TTP's.

Initial assumption for the protocol participants is as follows. Related to public key certificates, every protocol participant has its own certificate issued by TTP's and the public key of the TTP with which he can verify the certificate of the other party. Upon service subscription, a mobile user is given his real identity from his home network and it is stored in his tamperproof storage in his UIM. The public key of the home network is known to all subscribers within its administrative network domain. A visited network will provide services only if the real identity of a user is disclosed to it and the authenticity of the claimed identity is confirmed by the home network of the user. This assumption is necessary for the case of accounting and billing about service use between the home network and the visited network. It is also required for the non-repudiation of the user for his service use.

3.2 Protocol Goals

We will consider the security goals which may be achieved after the successful run of the wireless authentication protocol. They include the following [HMM]:

- mutual entity authentication
- mutual agreement of shared secret key
- mutual implicit key authentication
- assurance of session key freshness
- user anonymity as a data origin and destination
- non-repudiation of a user for his service use

In particular, we emphasize the user anonymity in designing a protocol. Concerning the generation of temporary identity, Samfat et al. presented the following criteria which should be considered for good anonymity [SMA95].

- *One-time-use.* It is desirable to use a different TID's for each security process.
- *No direct relationship between TID's.* It is quite a evident but important requirement.
- *Domain separation.* Even though there were cooperative visited network except home network, the real identity should not be revealed.

These requirements for TID are also considered in the design of authentication protocol. In addition to these requirements, we consider two anonymity features of a user. They also should be evaluated in the design of wireless authentication protocol. We describe them as follows:

- *anonymity of data origin.* When there is a call set-up procedure originating from a mobile user, the user anonymity is preserved.
- *anonymity of data destination.* When there is a call set-up procedure destined for a mobile user, the user anonymity is preserved.

3.3 Design of Authentication Protocol

Before protocol design, we assume that any participants can execute the following cyptographic functions:

- A symmetric encryption function where $\{X\}_K$ denotes the encryption of message X with key K.
- A pseudorandom number generator
- The cryptographic one way hash functions, h, $h1$ and $h2$, where $h1$ and $h2$ are distinct functions used for key derivation.
- Multiplications in a finite group G of order q with generator g. G is either a subgroup of a multiplicative group $Z_P{}^*$ of a finite field in which the Discrete Logarithm Problem is hard.

In addition, user has a asymmetric signature system using a secret signature function which generates a signature appendix. $\{X\}_{SK_A}$ denotes an signature appendix on message X with a secret signing key SK_A of an entity A.

Proposed wireless authentication protocol is shown in Fig.4. The keys used in the protocol are computed as follows.

- $K_{MH} = g^{SK_H \cdot r_M}$, is used to encrypt the information about real identity of a user M and generate his initial temporary identity $TID_M = \{h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}\}_{K_{MH}}$. It can be computed with the random number selected by M and the public key of the home network H, $PK_H = g^{SK_H}$, already known to the user.
- $K_{VH} = h1(g^{r_V \cdot r_H}, g^{r_H \cdot SK_V})$, which is used for message encryption between V and H. It can be computed with the random numbers chosen by both parties and the public key of V.
- $K_{MV} = h1(g^{r_M \cdot r_V}, g^{SK_V \cdot r_M})$, is used for the message encryption and authentication between M and V. It can be computed with the random numbers chosen by both parties and the public key of V
- $K'_{MV} = h2(g^{r_M \cdot r_V}, g^{SK_V \cdot r_M})$, is a shared secret session key after the successful protocol run and will be used for the following session. It is different from the encryption key K_{MV} by applying the different hash function for key derivation.

(1)	$M \rightarrow V$	g^{r_M}, TID_M, H
(2)	$V \rightarrow H$	$g^{r_V}, g^{r_M}, TID_M,$ $\{h(g^{r_V}, g^{r_M}, TID_M, V)\}_{SK_V}, T_V, cert_V$
(3)	$V \leftarrow H$	$g^{r_H}, [\{h(g^{r_H}, g^{r_V}, h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}, H)\}_{SK_H},$ $h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}]_{K_{VH}}, T_H, cert_H$
(4)	$M \leftarrow V$	$g^{r_V}, \{h(g^{r_V}, g^{r_M}, TID'_M, V), T_H\}_{K_{MV}},$ $T'_V, cert_V$
(5)	$M \rightarrow V$	$[\{h(g^{r_M}, g^{r_V}, T_H, V)\}_{SK_M}, T'_V, cert_M]_{K_{MV}}$

Figure 4: Authentication Protocol

Next, we present the scheme for the computation of temporary identities during the protocol run. The TID computation scheme can be subdivided into two steps. The computation of initial temporary identity $TID_M = \{h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}\}_{K_{MH}}$ is used for the identification of a user by his home network. It proves that a user in the visited network is a legal subscriber. TID'_M is the newly established temporary identity for use in the next session between M and V. It can be changed in each session using the following computation method: $TID'_M = h(g^{r_M \cdot r_V}, h(M))$.

3.4 Protocol Description

We describe the proposed protocol according to the order of message exchange and also discuss the security goals which can be achieved during the execution of each protocol message.

(1) When a mobile user M enters a new visited network V, he begins a registration process with V to identify himself to be a legal subscriber of his home network H.

- M generates a secret random number r_M and computes g^{r_M}.

- computes an agreed key K_{MH} and initial temporary identity $TID_M = \{h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}\}_{K_{MH}}$.

- sends g^{r_M}, TID_M and home network identity H to V. where TID_M is used for the user identification between M and H.

(2) The identification procedure of a mobile user M is performed in both protocol messages (2) and (3). The encrypted message TID_M containing the real identity information of M is passed from V to H. Receiving the message from M, V identifies the home network H.

- V generates a secret random number r_V and computes g^{r_V}.

- computes its signature using his certified secret key SK_V, i.e. $\{h(g^{r_V}, g^{r_M}, TID_M, V)\}_{SK_V}$.

- generates its timestamp T_V.

- sends g^{r_V}, g^{r_M}, TID_M, signature, T_V and $cert_V$.

The signature over the hashed value of message provides the implicit entity authentication and implicit authentication of the agreed key which will be shared between V and H. The certificate $cert_V$ provides explicit entity identification. T_V provides the timeliness of the message.

(3) Receiving protocol message (2) from V, H decide if the certificate $cert_V$ is valid and the timestamp T_V is within some allowable range compared with its current time. If the decision is positive,

- H computes K_{MH} from g^{r_M}, decrypts TID_M to get $h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}$ and identifies M from $h(M)$.

- obtains PK_V from $cert_V$ and identifies V.

- computes $h(g^{r_V}, g^{r_M}, TID_M, V)$ and verifies V's signature, if the verification succeeds,

- generates a secret random number r_H and computes g^{r_H}.

- computes its signature using his certified secret key SK_H, i.e. $\{h(g^{r_H}, g^{r_V}, h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}, H)\}_{SK_H}$.

- computes an agreed key K_{VH} and encrypts the signature and $h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}$.

- generates its timestamp T_H.

- sends g^{r_H}, encrypted message, T_H and $cert_V$.

In this process, the computation of shared key K_{VH} using the fresh random values g^{r_H} and g^{r_V} provides mutual key agreement and key freshness. The signature over hashed value of message also provides implicit key authentication and entity authentication of H to V. The encryption of message using that key provides confidentiality of user identity information.

(4) Messages (4) and (5) show the process of the mutual authentication, key agreement and key authentication between M and V. And a new temporary identity of the user TID'_M is computed for use in the next session.

Receiving the message (3) from H, V decide if the certificate is valid and the timestamp T_H is within some allowable range compared with its current time. If the decision is positive,

- V computes the agreed key K_{VH} from g^{r_H}, decrypts the message to get identity information about M, $h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}$.

- computes $h(g^{r_H}, g^{r_V}, h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}, H)$, obtains PK_H from $cert_H$ and verifies H's signature. If the verification succeeds,

- computes $TID'_M = h(g^{r_M \cdot r_V}, h(M))$ and stores it.

- computes a hashed value $h(g^{r_V}, g^{r_M}, TID'_M, V)$.

- computes a agreed key K_{MV} for encryption and a shared key K'_{MV} for the subsequent session.

- generates a new timestamp T'_V and encrypts hashed value and T_H received from H.

- sends g^{r_V}, encrypted message, T'_V, $cert_V$.

The timestamp T_H within a encrypted message is a piece of information that H identified M. Also it will be a proof for the future accounting and billing. Symmetric message encryption using K_{MV} provides key agreement, entity authentication and key authentication of V to M.

(5) Receiving the message (4) from V, M decide if the certificate is valid and the timestamp T'_V is within some allowable range compared with its current time. If the decision is positive,

- M computes a agreed key K_{MV} for decryption and a shared key K'_{MV} for the subsequent session by using g^{r_V} and PK_V from $cert_V$.

- decrypts the message to get $h(g^{r_V}, g^{r_M}, TID'_M, V)$, T_H and confirms that the time difference $(T'_V - T_H)$ is within the allowable range.

- computes $TID'_M = h(g^{r_M \cdot r_V}, h(M))$, check if the hashed value is correct and then stores TID'_M.

- computes its signature using his certified secret key SK_M, i.e. $\{h(g^{r_M}, g^{r_V}, T_H, V)\}_{SK_M}$.

- encrypts the signature, T'_V and $cert_M$.

- send the encrypted message to V.

The confirmation of the time difference $(T'_V - T_H)$ provides a proof of identification procedure between H and V to M. If the comparison is successful, He consider that V is the right partner with whom he wants to communicate and to whom his home network provides the relevant information about his identity. Encryption of $cert_M$ provides the protection of his real identity from outsiders. Symmetric message encryption using K_{MV} provides key agreement, entity authentication and key authentication of M to V. It also provides non-repudiation of the user for his service use in V.

Receiving the last protocol message, V decrypts the message from M and verifies his certificate and T'_V. Then, he can verify the signature and identify M by comparing the identity information of $cert_M$ with $h(M)$ received from H .

4 Evaluation of Proposed Protocol

4.1 Security Goals and TID Requirements

We evaluate our proposal with respect to security goals considered in the beginning of the protocol design.

Concerning the security goals required in wireless authentication protocol, our proposal satisfy the security goals as has been discussed within the protocol description part of the previous section.

Related to the user anonymity, our proposal satisfy the requirements for the use of TID during protocol execution. The temporary identities used in our proposal, TID_M and TID'_M, are computed by using the random numbers chosen by each participant as described in the design of the protocol. They are computed as follows.

$$TID_M = \{h(M) \oplus g^{r_M}\}_{K_{MH}},$$
$$TID'_M = h(g^{r_M \cdot r_V}, h(M)).$$

- The change of the random numbers g^{r_M} and g^{r_V} which are selected in each session assures the freshness of the temporary identity in corresponding session. Therefore, a certain temporary identity is used one time only in the session.
- Because of the same reason, there is no direct relationship between temporary identities of a user . The random numbers chosen by M and V in one session is independent of those in other session. Temporary identities change as the random numbers change.
- There is also domain separation between visited networks. When user enters a new visited network, he sends a new TID_M, which is an encrypted identity information. The encryption key changes according to the random number r_M generated by M. In a new visited network, a new initial temporary identity is used. So, even though there is a cooperation between visited networks, a new visited network cannot know the real identity until it receives the relevant identity information about the user from home network in protocol message (3). V have to send his certificate and signature first in order to receive the information from H.

We also improved the security about the key agreement in ASPeCT protocol. We adopt a different key computation method from ASPeCT to enhance the security feature of forward secrecy. The session key K'_{MV} in our protocol is differently computed from the message encryption key K'_{MV} within the protocol. Even if the adversary who saw the session find out the secret key SK_V of network V, she can not compute a shared secret key of the session, as he don't know the secret random value r_V.

And also we can remove the possibility of revealing the partial information about the session key resulting from the use of the same key as an encryption key within the protocol itself. The encryption key within the protocol can be generated apart from the session key by applying a different key derivation function. In our protocol, the encryption key is computed as follows.

$$\text{session key } K'_{MV} = h2(g^{r_M \cdot r_V}, g^{SK_V \cdot r_M})$$
$$\text{encryption key } K_{MV} = h1(g^{r_M \cdot r_V}, g^{SK_V \cdot r_M})$$

4.2 Computational Loads on User Part

We consider a computational load on user part of the proposed protocol. Our protocol is based on the public key cryptosystems, so it is difficult to compare it with other previous protocols described in Section 2. Instead, we compare the proposed protocol with ASPeCT [HP98]. It is assumed that the most significant computational operation is exponentiation. Considering the number of pre-computable exponentiation, two pre-computable exponentiations, two exponentiations and one signature are required in our proposal. One pre-computable exponentiation is for the computation of initial temporary identity TID_M and one exponentiation is for enhanced key agreement. After the successful execution of the authentication protocol, one pre-computable exponentiation for TID_M can be removed. On the other hand, in ASPeCT, one pre-computable exponentiation, one exponentiation and one signature are required. There are more computational loads required in the proposed protocol than ASPeCT. The increase of computational load results from the anonymity and key agreement scheme to provide the enhanced security that are not considered in ASPeCT.

4.3 Comparison with Previous Protocols

ASPeCT does not consider the security mechanism between home network and visited network. Though it provides the anonymity in case of the call setup originated from user, it does not consider the anonymity of the call setup terminated at user in visited network. The previous protocols based on shared key cryptosystems [MG98, MST94, SMA95] provide the limited security features on account of their basic cryptgraphic scheme. They do not offer some security goals that are possible in the those protocols based on public key cryptosystems, e.g. mutual key agreement and non-repudiation of service use. Regarding the user anonymity requirements described in the previous section, we try to compare the proposed protocol with the previous protocols [MG98], [SMA95],[HP98]. Table 1 shows the comparison of the anonymity requirements and security in key agreement between protocols.

Table 1: Comparison between Protocols

	GSM	SMA95	ASPeCT	Proposed Protocol
Anonymity of data origin	$\surd$	$\surd\surd$	$\surd\surd$	$\surd\surd$
Anonymity of data destination	$\surd$	$\surd\surd$	$\neg$	$\surd\surd$
One-time use of TID	$\neg$	$\surd\surd$		$\surd\surd$
No direct relationship between TID's	$\neg$	$\surd\surd$		$\surd\surd$
Domain separation between TID's	$\surd$	$\surd\surd$		$\surd\surd$
Mutual entity authentication	$\neg$	$\neg$	$\surd\surd$	$\surd\surd$
Mutual key authentication	$\neg$	$\neg$	$\surd\surd$	$\surd\surd$
Mutual key agreement	$\neg$	$\neg$	$\surd\surd$	$\surd\surd$
Forward secrecy			$\neg$	$\surd\surd$
Prevention the leak of partial key information			$\neg$	$\surd\surd$
Computational loads on user part	$\surd\surd$	$\surd$	$\surd$	$\neg$

†† Notation

blank	no relation
$\neg$	not satisfied
$\surd$	partially satisfied
$\surd\surd$	satisfied

5 Conclusions and Further Works

We proposed authentication and key agreement protocol that preserve the anonymity of mobile users in wireless communications. In order to provide user anonymity, we presented the computation method of temporary user identity in protocol design. We also tried to present an improved form of ASPeCT protocol to provide anonymity and enhanced security concerning key agreement. We evaluate the proposed protocols according to the security features and anonymity requirements. Proposed protocol has some more computational complexity on user part than ASPeCT. And also, we don't consider the key recovery mechanism required to investigate serious crime on communication path and to protect national security by law enforcement agency. The reduction of computational loads and the consideration of key recovery need for further study.

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