

# Provably Secure Key-Updating Schemes in Identity-Based Systems

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## Abstract:

In this paper, we present *Key-Updating Schemes* in identity-based (identification or signature) systems, and consider the security of the schemes. We propose two kinds of key-updating schemes, i.e., one is sequential type and the other is parallel type, and show that both schemes are equivalent to each other in a polynomial time sense, i.e., there exists a deterministic polynomial time algorithm that transforms the sequential key-updating scheme to the parallel one, and vice versa. We also show that even if any polynomially many entities conspire to find a secret-key of any other entities, both key-updating schemes are provably secure against polynomially many times key-updating if decrypting RSA is hard.

# 1 Introduction

In identity-based systems, each entity  $i$  has his(her) own identity number  $ID_i$ , and a trusted center needs to generate a pair of a public information  $P$  (known to all entities) and a secret information  $S$  (known to only the trusted center), and a pair of public-key  $PK_i$  and secret-key  $SK_i$  for entity  $i$ . Let a probabilistic polynomial time algorithm  $CKG$  be a *center-key generator* that, on input  $1^k$ , outputs a pair of the public information  $P$  ( $|P| = O(k^c)$  for some constant  $c > 0$ ) and the secret information  $S$  ( $|S| = O(k^d)$  for some constant  $d > 0$ ), i.e.,  $CKG(1^k) = \langle P, S \rangle$ , and let a probabilistic polynomial time algorithm  $EKG$  be a *entity-key generator* that, on input  $1^k$ ,  $P$ ,  $S$ , and  $ID_i$ , outputs a pair of public-key  $PK_i$  and secret-key  $SK_i$  for entity  $i$ , i.e.,  $EKG(\langle 1^k, P, S, ID_i \rangle) = \langle PK_i, SK_i \rangle$ . Note that  $k$  is the security parameter.

When a foolish entity  $j$  carelessly loses his secret-key  $SK_j$  or reveals it and asks the trusted center again to generate a new pair of public-key  $PK'_j$  and secret-key  $SK'_j$  for him, what should the trusted center do? If the system is provably secure (see, e.g., [FS], [FFS], [GQ], [OO].), i.e., there exist no efficient algorithms for entity  $j$  to derive the secret information  $S$  from  $P$ ,  $ID_j$ , and a single pair of  $\langle PK_j, SK_j \rangle$ , then (presumably) the simplest and secure way to update the secret-key  $SK_j$  to  $SK'_j$  is to make the trusted center run  $CKG$  on input  $1^k$  in order to regenerate a new pair of public information  $P'$  and secret information  $S'$  and to make the trusted center regenerate a new pair of public-key  $PK'_j$  and secret-key  $SK'_j$  for the entity  $j$  by running  $EKG$  on input  $1^k$ ,  $P'$ ,  $S'$ , and  $ID_j$  (or  $SK_j$ ). This scheme, however, imposes cumbersome procedures on the trusted center and all entities, because the trusted center must regenerate not only a new pair of public-key  $PK'_j$  and secret-key  $SK'_j$  for the foolish entity  $j$  but a new pair of public-key  $PK'_i$  and secret-key  $SK'_i$  for every entity  $i$  ( $\neq j$ ).

Another way to update the secret-key  $SK_j$  to  $SK'_j$  is to make the trusted center run only  $EKG$  on input  $1^k$ ,  $P$ ,  $S$ , and  $ID_j$  (or  $SK_j$ ) and to regenerate a new pair of public-key  $PK'_j$  and secret-key  $SK'_j$  only for the foolish entity  $j$ , while those for the other entities  $i$  ( $\neq j$ ) are unchanged. This scheme is much simpler than before, but unfortunately there might be a possibility that the entity  $j$  can derive the secret information  $S$  efficiently from  $P$ ,  $ID_j$ ,  $PK_j$ ,  $SK_j$ ,  $PK'_j$ , and  $SK'_j$ .

Thus this provokes us to construct efficient and *provably* secure key-updating schemes in identity-based systems in the above sense. To do this, we take the extended Fiat-Shamir scheme [GQ], [OO] as an identity-based system, and apply two kinds of key-updating schemes, one is sequential and the other is parallel, to the extended Fiat-Shamir scheme. (The details will be discussed in Section 2.) We also show that our key-updating

schemes are *provably* secure against polynomially many times key-updating even if any polynomially many entities conspire to find a secret-key of any other entities.

The organization of this paper is as follows: Section 2 presents a brief description of *key-generation* and *key-distribution* in the extended Fiat-Shamir scheme [GQ], [OO], and proposes two kinds of *key-updating* schemes, sequential one and parallel one; Section 3 shows that both schemes are equivalent to each other in a polynomial time sense, i.e., there exists a polynomial time algorithm that transforms the sequential key-updating scheme to the parallel one, and vice versa; Section 4 gives a main result that both key-updating schemes are provably secure against polynomially many times key-updating, i.e., any polynomially many conspiring entities can not find a secret-key of any other entities under the assumption that decrypting RSA is hard; and Section 5 finally gives conclusion and remarks, and refers to extensions of our results to more general settings and the security of the schemes against conspiracy of entities.

## 2 Key-Updating Schemes

### 2.1 Extended Fiat-Shamir Scheme

This subsection presents a brief description of key-generation and key-distribution in the extended Fiat-Shamir scheme [GQ], [OO]. The extended Fiat-Shamir scheme is an extension of the Fiat-Shamir scheme [FS], [FFS], and is shown, under the assumption that factoring is hard, to be zero-knowledge in the sequential execution (of the protocol) and to be non-transferable in the parallel execution (of the protocol). This scheme is an identity-based system, and thus the trusted center needs to generate a pair of public information  $P$  (known to all entities) and secret information  $S$  (known to only trusted center) and to distribute a pair of public-key  $PK_i$  and secret-key  $SK_i$  for each entity  $i$  with his identity number  $ID_i$ , in the following way:

The trusted center has two probabilistic polynomial time algorithms, i.e., *center-key generator*  $CKG$  and *entity-key generator*  $EKG$ ; On input  $1^k$ , the center-key generator  $CKG$  outputs a pair of public information  $n (= p \cdot q)$  and secret information  $\langle p, q \rangle$ , where  $p, q \in \mathcal{OP}$  and  $|p| = |q| = k$ , and on input  $1^k$ ,  $n$ ,  $\langle p, q \rangle$ , and  $ID_i$ , the entity-key generator  $EKG$  outputs a pair of public-key  $e_i$  and secret-key  $S_i$  for entity  $i$  such that  $S_i^{e_i} \equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$ . Note that  $\mathcal{OP}$  denotes a set of odd primes and  $|a|$  denotes the length of binary encoding of  $a$ . For details of identification and signature protocols in the extended Fiat-Shamir scheme, see [GQ], [OO].

## 2.2 Key-Updating Schemes

In this subsection, we propose two kinds of key-updating schemes, sequential one [FT] and parallel one, in the extended Fiat-Shamir scheme. Consider the case where some entity  $i$  asks the trusted center to issue a new pair of public-key  $e'_i$  and secret-key  $S'_i$  for the entity  $i$  in some reason, e.g., losing or revealing his original secret-key  $S_i$ .

Informally, our key-updating schemes are as follows: (1) Sequential Key-Updating Scheme (SKU) is a key-updating scheme in which the trusted center runs the entity-key generator  $EKG$  on input  $1^k$ ,  $n$ ,  $\langle p, q \rangle$ ,  $e_i$ , and  $S_i$  (instead of  $ID_i$ ), and generates a new pair of  $\langle e'_i, S'_i \rangle$  such that  $S_i^{e'_i} \equiv S_i \pmod{n}$  and  $e_i \neq e'_i$ , and (2) Parallel Key-Updating Scheme (PKU) is a key-updating scheme in which the trusted center runs the entity-key generator  $EKG$  on input  $1^k$ ,  $n$ ,  $\langle p, q \rangle$ ,  $e_i$ , and  $ID_i$ , and generates a new pair of  $\langle e'_i, S'_i \rangle$  such that  $S_i^{e'_i} \equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$  and  $e_i \neq e'_i$ . Note that for entity  $i$ , a pair of public-key and secret-key will be  $\langle e_i, e'_i, S'_i \rangle$  in SKU, while will be  $\langle e'_i, S'_i \rangle$  in PKU.

This formulation, however, does not necessarily match our desire, because a malicious entity  $j$  might ask the trusted center to issue new pairs of  $\langle e'_i, S'_i \rangle$  many times for compromising the secret information  $\langle p, q \rangle$ . Then we formally define our key-updating schemes in more general settings.

Let  $U(|n|)$  be any fixed polynomial in  $|n|$ , and let  $\mathcal{OP}(\ell)$  denote a set of odd primes less than  $\ell$ . Here we assume that each entity  $i$  is allowed to ask the trusted center to issue new pairs of  $\langle e'_i, S'_i \rangle$  at most  $U(|n|)$  times.

### Sequential Key-Updating Scheme (SKU):

**Initial Key-Setting Stage:** For each entity  $i$  (with  $ID_i \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ ), the trusted center distributes a pair of his public-key  $e_i^{(0)}$  and his secret-key  $S_i^{(0)}$  such that  $ID_i \equiv \{S_i^{(0)}\}^{e_i^{(0)}} \pmod{n}$ , where  $e_i^{(0)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$ ,  $S_i^{(0)} \not\equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$ , and  $ID_i^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .

**Key-Updating Stage:** For entity  $i$  in the  $r_i$ -th ( $1 \leq r_i \leq U(|n|)$ ) key-updating, the trusted center distributes a new pair of  $\langle e_i^{(r_i)}, S_i^{(r_i)} \rangle$  such that  $S_i^{(r_i-1)} \equiv \{S_i^{(r_i)}\}^{e_i^{(r_i)}} \pmod{n}$ , where  $e_i^{(r_i)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$ ,  $e_i^{(j)} \neq e_i^{(r_i)}$  ( $0 \leq j < r_i$ ),  $S_i^{(r_i)} \not\equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$ , and  $S_i^{(j)} \not\equiv S_i^{(r_i)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq j < r_i$ ).

**Remark 2.1:** In the  $r_i$ -th key-updating of SKU, a pair of the public-key and the secret-key will be  $\langle e_i^{(0)} e_i^{(1)} \dots e_i^{(r_i)}, S_i^{(r_i)} \rangle$ . The condition  $S_i^{(j)} \not\equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq j \leq r_i$ ) shows that the trusted center avoids distributing trivial secret-key  $S_i^{(j)}$ , and the condition  $S_i^{(j)} \not\equiv S_i^{(r_i)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq j < r_i$ ) implies that the trusted center does not distribute the same secret-key  $S_i^{(r_i)}$  again, because old secret-keys might be known to someone else. The trusted center does not care about collisions of secret-keys among entities.

### Parallel Key-Updating Scheme (PKU):

**Initial Key-Setting Stage:** For each entity  $i$  (with  $ID_i \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ ), the trusted center distributes a pair of his public-key  $f_i^{(0)}$  and his secret-key  $T_i^{(0)}$  such that  $ID_i \equiv \{T_i^{(0)}\}^{f_i^{(0)}} \pmod{n}$ , where  $f_i^{(0)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$ ,  $T_i^{(0)} \not\equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$ , and  $ID_i^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .

**Key-Updating Stage:** For entity  $i$  in the  $r_i$ -th ( $1 \leq r_i \leq U(|n|)$ ) key-updating, the trusted center distributes a new pair of  $\langle f_i^{(r_i)}, T_i^{(r_i)} \rangle$  such that  $ID_i \equiv \{T_i^{(r_i)}\}^{f_i^{(r_i)}} \pmod{n}$ , where  $f_i^{(r_i)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$ ,  $f_i^{(j)} \neq f_i^{(r_i)}$  ( $0 \leq j < r_i$ ),  $T_i^{(r_i)} \not\equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$ ,  $T_i^{(j)} \not\equiv T_i^{(r_i)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq j < r_i$ ), and  $ID_i^{f_i^{(j)} \dots f_i^{(r_i)}} \not\equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq j < r_i$ ).

**Remark 2.2:** In the  $r_i$ -th key-updating of PKU, a pair of the public-key and the secret-key will be  $\langle f_i^{(r_i)}, T_i^{(r_i)} \rangle$ . The meaning of conditions  $T_i^{(j)} \not\equiv ID_i \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq j \leq r_i$ ) and  $T_i^{(j)} \not\equiv T_i^{(r_i)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq j < r_i$ ) is similar to the one in the Remark 2.1. The trusted center does not care about collisions of secret-keys among entities.

## 3 Transforms Between SKU and PKU

This section shows that key-updating schemes SKU and PKU are equivalent to each other in a polynomial time sense, i.e., there exists a deterministic polynomial time algorithm that transforms SKU to PKU, and vice versa.

Let  $\mathcal{SC}_k$  denote a set of strong composites with the security parameter  $k$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{SC}_k &= \{n \mid n = p \cdot q, p \neq q, |p| = |q| = k, \\ &\quad p = 2p' + 1, q = 2q' + 1, p, q, p', q' \in \mathcal{OP}\}. \end{aligned}$$

To prove that for  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ , key-updating schemes SKU and PKU are deterministic polynomial time transformable to each other, we need to show the following lemmas:

**Lemma 3.1:** *Let  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ . Then for any odd  $e$  less than  $\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$ ,  $e < \min\{p', q'\}$  and  $\gcd(e, \lambda(n)) = 1$ , where  $\lambda(n)$  is the Carmichael function [Kr] of  $n$ .*

**Proof:** From the definition of  $\mathcal{SC}_k$ , it follows that

$$\lambda(n) = \text{lcm}(p-1, q-1) = \text{lcm}(2p', 2q') = 2p'q'.$$

Note that  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ , i.e.,  $|p| = |q| = k$ , then  $2 \cdot \min\{p, q\} > \max\{p, q\}$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor &\leq \lfloor \max\{p, q\}/4 \rfloor \\ &\leq \lfloor \min\{p, q\}/2 \rfloor \\ &= \lfloor (2 \cdot \min\{p', q'\} + 1)/2 \rfloor \\ &= \lfloor \min\{p', q'\} + 1/2 \rfloor = \min\{p', q'\}, \end{aligned}$$

and thus  $e < \min\{p', q'\}$ . It immediately follows, from the fact that  $\lambda(n) = 2p'q'$ , that  $\gcd(e, \lambda(n)) = \gcd(e, 2p'q') = 1$ , because  $e < \min\{p', q'\}$ ,  $e$  is odd, and  $p', q' \in \mathcal{OP}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2:** *Let  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ , and  $x \in Z_n^*$  such that  $x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ . For any distinct odd numbers  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ ,  $x^{a_2 - a_1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , where  $a_1, a_2 < \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$ .*

**Proof:** By Contradiction. Without loss of generality, we assume that  $a_1 < a_2$ . Assume that  $x^{a_2 - a_1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ . This implies that the order of  $x$  modulo  $n$  divides both  $\lambda(n)$  and  $a_2 - a_1$ . Since  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ,  $\lambda(n) = 2p'q'$  and  $0 < a_2 - a_1 < \min\{p', q'\}$  (see Lemma 3.1.), and thus the order of  $x$  modulo  $n$  is equal to either 1 or 2. This, however, contradicts the assumption that  $x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ . Hence  $x^{a_2 - a_1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3:** *Let  $r$  be any positive integer and let  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ . Let  $ID \in Z_n^*$ ,  $S^{(i)} \in Z_n^*$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ), and  $e^{(i)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ) satisfy the relation that  $ID \equiv \{S^{(0)}\}^{e^{(0)}} \pmod{n}$ ,  $S^{(i-1)} \equiv \{S^{(i)}\}^{e^{(i)}} \pmod{n}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq r$ ), where  $ID^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  and  $e^{(i)} \neq e^{(j)}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ). Then  $ID \not\equiv S^{(i)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ) and  $S^{(i)} \not\equiv S^{(j)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ) iff  $ID^{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(i)}} \not\equiv ID \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ).*

**Proof:** Since  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$  and  $ID \in Z_n^*$  satisfies  $ID^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , it follows, from Lemma 3.2, that for  $e^{(i)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ),  $ID^{e^{(i)} - 1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ), and hence  $ID^{e^{(i)}} \not\equiv ID \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ). Note that  $x^e \equiv y^e \pmod{n}$  iff  $x \equiv y \pmod{n}$  for  $e$  such that  $\gcd(e, \lambda(n)) = 1$ . (see Lemma 3.1.) Then for all  $i$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} ID \equiv S^{(i)} \pmod{n} &\iff ID^{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(i)}} \equiv \{S^{(i)}\}^{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(i)}} \pmod{n} \\ &\iff ID^{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(i)}} \equiv ID \pmod{n}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, for any  $i, j$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} S^{(i)} \equiv S^{(j)} \pmod{n} &\iff \{S^{(i)}\}^{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(i)} e^{(i+1)} \dots e^{(j)}} \equiv \{S^{(j)}\}^{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(j)}} \pmod{n} \\ &\iff ID^{e^{(i+1)} \dots e^{(j)}} \equiv ID \pmod{n}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $ID \not\equiv S^{(i)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ) and  $S^{(i)} \not\equiv S^{(j)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ) iff  $ID^{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(i)}} \not\equiv ID \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ).  $\square$

**Lemma 3.4:** *Let  $r$  be any positive integer and let  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ . Let  $ID \in Z_n^*$ ,  $T^{(i)} \in Z_n^*$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ), and  $f^{(i)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ) satisfy the relation that  $ID \equiv \{T^{(i)}\}^{f^{(i)}} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ), where  $ID^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , and  $f^{(i)} \neq f^{(j)}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ). Then  $ID \not\equiv T^{(i)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ) and  $T^{(i)} \not\equiv T^{(j)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ).*

**Proof:** Since  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$  and  $ID \in Z_n^*$  satisfies  $ID^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , it follows, from Lemma 3.2, that for  $f^{(i)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ),  $ID^{f^{(j)}-f^{(i)}} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ) and  $ID^{f^{(i)}-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ). Then for all  $i$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} ID \equiv T^{(i)} \pmod{n} &\iff ID^{f^{(i)}} \equiv \{T^{(i)}\}^{f^{(i)}} \pmod{n} \\ &\iff ID^{f^{(i)}} \equiv ID \pmod{n} \\ &\iff ID^{f^{(i)}-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, for any  $i, j$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ), we also have

$$\begin{aligned} T^{(i)} \equiv T^{(j)} \pmod{n} &\iff \left\{ \{T^{(i)}\}^{f^{(i)}} \right\}^{f^{(j)}} \equiv \left\{ \{T^{(j)}\}^{f^{(j)}} \right\}^{f^{(i)}} \pmod{n} \\ &\iff ID^{f^{(j)}} \equiv ID^{f^{(i)}} \pmod{n} \\ &\iff ID^{f^{(j)}-f^{(i)}} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}, \end{aligned}$$

hence  $ID \not\equiv T^{(i)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ) and  $T^{(i)} \not\equiv T^{(j)} \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ).  $\square$

Let  $U(|n|)$  be any fixed polynomial in  $|n|$  and let  $r$  be any positive integer not greater than  $U(|n|)$ . Here we define  $\mathcal{C}_{\text{SKU}}$  to be a set of tuples  $\langle n, ID, S^{(r)}, e^{(r)} \rangle$  that satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} ID &\equiv \{S^{(0)}\}^{e^{(0)}} \pmod{n}; \\ S^{(i-1)} &\equiv \{S^{(i)}\}^{e^{(i)}} \pmod{n} \quad (1 \leq i \leq r); \\ ID^2 &\not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}; \\ e^{(i)} &\in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor) \quad (0 \leq i \leq r); \\ e^{(i)} &\neq e^{(j)} \quad (0 \leq i < j \leq r); \\ ID^{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(i)}} &\not\equiv ID \pmod{n} \quad (0 \leq i < j \leq r), \end{aligned}$$

in the  $r$ -th key-updating of SKU (see Lemma 3.3.), where  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ,  $ID \in Z_n^*$ ,  $S^{(r)} = (S^{(0)}, S^{(1)}, \dots, S^{(r)})$ , and  $e^{(r)} = (e^{(0)}, e^{(1)}, \dots, e^{(r)})$ . In a way similar to the above, we define  $\mathcal{C}_{\text{PKU}}$  to be a set of tuples  $\langle n, ID, T^{(r)}, f^{(r)} \rangle$  that satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} ID &\equiv \{T^{(i)}\}^{f^{(i)}} \pmod{n} \quad (0 \leq i \leq r); \\ ID^2 &\not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}; \\ f^{(i)} &\in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor) \quad (0 \leq i \leq r); \\ f^{(i)} &\neq f^{(j)} \quad (0 \leq i < j \leq r); \\ ID^{f^{(0)} \dots f^{(i)}} &\not\equiv ID \pmod{n} \quad (0 \leq i < j \leq r), \end{aligned}$$

in the  $r$ -th key-updating of PKU (see Lemma 3.4.), where  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ,  $ID \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ ,  $\mathbf{T}^{(r)} = (T^{(0)}, T^{(1)}, \dots, T^{(r)})$ , and  $\mathbf{f}^{(r)} = (f^{(0)}, f^{(1)}, \dots, f^{(r)})$ .

We use  $A_{\text{SKU} \rightarrow \text{PKU}}$  to denote any algorithm that, on input  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{S}^{(r)}, \mathbf{e}^{(r)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{SKU}}$ , outputs  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{T}^{(r)}, \mathbf{f}^{(r)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{PKU}}$ , and  $A_{\text{PKU} \rightarrow \text{SKU}}$  to denote any algorithm that, on input  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{T}^{(r)}, \mathbf{f}^{(r)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{PKU}}$ , outputs  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{S}^{(r)}, \mathbf{e}^{(r)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{SKU}}$ . Then we have the following theorems on deterministic polynomial time transformability between SKU and PKU.

**Theorem 3.5:** *There exists a deterministic polynomial time algorithm  $A_{\text{SKU} \rightarrow \text{PKU}}$ .*

**Sketch of Proof:** On input  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{S}^{(r)}, \mathbf{e}^{(r)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{SKU}}$ , the algorithm  $A_{\text{SKU} \rightarrow \text{PKU}}$  sets  $T^{(0)} := S^{(0)}$ ,  $f^{(i)} := e^{(i)}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r$ ), and computes  $T^{(i)} \equiv \left\{ S^{(i)} \right\}_{e^{(0)} \dots e^{(i-1)}} \pmod{n}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq r$ ). Then it outputs  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{T}^{(r)}, \mathbf{f}^{(r)} \rangle$ , where  $\mathbf{T}^{(r)} = (T^{(0)}, T^{(1)}, \dots, T^{(r)})$ ,  $\mathbf{f}^{(r)} = (f^{(0)}, f^{(1)}, \dots, f^{(r)})$ . It is easy to see that the algorithm  $A_{\text{SKU} \rightarrow \text{PKU}}$  runs in deterministic polynomial time and  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{T}^{(r)}, \mathbf{f}^{(r)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{PKU}}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6:** *There exists a deterministic polynomial time algorithm  $A_{\text{PKU} \rightarrow \text{SKU}}$ .*

**Sketch of Proof:** Let  $n$  be an odd composite. We assume here that  $x_1$  is the  $a_1$ -th root of  $y$  modulo  $n$ , and  $x_2$  is the  $a_2$ -th root of  $y$  modulo  $n$ , where  $\gcd(a_1, a_2) = 1$  and  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ . Then we can compute  $x$ , the  $a_1 a_2$ -th root of  $y$  modulo  $n$ , by algorithm  $E$  (see below.) in deterministic polynomial time without knowing prime factors of  $n$ . On input  $n, y, x_1, a_1, x_2$ , and  $a_2$ , the algorithm  $E$  computes two integers  $s$  and  $t$  such that  $ta_1 + sa_2 = 1$  by Euclidean algorithm, and outputs  $x \equiv x_1^t \cdot x_2^s \pmod{n}$ . It is easy to see that the algorithm  $E$  runs in deterministic polynomial time and  $x$  is the  $a_1 a_2$ -th root of  $y$  modulo  $n$ . The algorithm  $A_{\text{PKU} \rightarrow \text{SKU}}$  runs in the following way:

On input  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{T}^{(r)}, \mathbf{f}^{(r)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{PKU}}$ , the algorithm  $A_{\text{PKU} \rightarrow \text{SKU}}$  sets  $T^{(0)} := S^{(0)}$ ,  $f^{(0)} := e^{(0)}$ , and computes  $x_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq r$ ) by running the deterministic polynomial time algorithm  $E$  on input  $\langle n, ID, S^{(i-1)}, e^{(0)} e^{(1)} \dots e^{(i-1)}, T^{(i)}, f^{(i)} \rangle$ . Then the algorithm  $A_{\text{PKU} \rightarrow \text{SKU}}$  substitutes  $x_i$  to  $S^{(i)}$  and  $f^{(i)}$  to  $e^{(i)}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq r$ ), and outputs  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{S}^{(r)}, \mathbf{e}^{(r)} \rangle$ , where  $\mathbf{S}^{(r)} = (S^{(0)}, S^{(1)}, \dots, S^{(r)})$  and  $\mathbf{e}^{(r)} = (e^{(0)}, e^{(1)}, \dots, e^{(r)})$ .

It is not difficult to see that the algorithm  $A_{\text{PKU} \rightarrow \text{SKU}}$  runs in deterministic polynomial time and  $\langle n, ID, \mathbf{S}^{(r)}, \mathbf{e}^{(r)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{SKU}}$ .  $\square$

## 4 SKU and PKU are Provably Secure

This section shows that key-updating schemes SKU and PKU are provably secure against polynomially many times key-updating under the assumption that decrypting RSA is hard



for  $n \in SC_k$ , i.e., even if any polynomially many entities conspire, they can not find a secret-key of any other entity in polynomially many times key-updating.

To show this, we provide several lemmas in the following:

**Lemma 4.1:** *Let  $n \in SC_k$  and let  $U(|n|)$  be any fixed polynomial in  $|n|$ . Let  $r$  be any positive integer not greater than  $U(|n|)$  and let  $e^{(i)} < \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ) be distinct  $r$  odd primes. Then the probability  $P$  that for any  $d < \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$ ,  $d \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  and  $d \neq e^{(i)}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ) is greater than  $C/|n|$  for some  $C > 0$  and sufficiently large  $n$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $\pi(x)$  denote the number of primes not greater than  $x$  ( $x \geq 2$ ). From prime number theorem [HW], it follows that

$$\pi(x) > C_0 \frac{x}{\log_2 x},$$

for some constant  $C_0$ . Then the probability  $P$  is

$$\begin{aligned} P &> \frac{C_0 \frac{\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor - 1}{\log_2(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor - 1)} - (r+1)}{\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor - 1} > \frac{C_1}{\log_2 \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor} - \frac{r+1}{\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor - 1} \\ &> \frac{C_1}{\log_2 \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor} - \frac{2U(|n|)}{\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor - 1} > \frac{C_2}{\log_2 \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor} \\ &> \frac{C_3}{\log_2(\sqrt{n}/4)} > \frac{C_4}{\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1}, \end{aligned}$$

thus  $P > C/|n|$  for some constant  $C$  and sufficiently large  $n$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.2:** *Let  $n \in SC_k$  and let  $U(|n|)$  be any fixed polynomial in  $|n|$ . Let  $r$  be any positive integer not greater than  $U(|n|)$  and let  $e^{(r-1)} = (e^{(0)}, e^{(1)}, \dots, e^{(r-1)})$ , where  $e^{(i)} < \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ) are distinct  $r$  odd primes. Define  $\hat{e}^{(r)} = (\hat{e}^{(0)}, \hat{e}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{e}^{(r)})$  to be  $\hat{e}^{(r)} = (e^{(0)}, e^{(1)}, \dots, e^{(r-1)}, d)$  for any  $d \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  such that  $d \neq e^{(i)}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ). Then for any  $g \in Z_n^*$  such that  $g^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ ,  $g^{e^{(i)} \dots e^{(j)}} \not\equiv g \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ) iff  $g^{e^{(s)} \dots e^{(t)}} \not\equiv g \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq s < t \leq r-1$ ) and  $\{\prod_{l=i}^{r-1} e^{(l)}\} \cdot d \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ), where  $L$  is the order of  $g$  modulo  $n$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $L$  denote the order of  $g$  modulo  $n$ . Then it is clear that

$$g^{e^{(s)} \dots e^{(t)}} \not\equiv g \pmod{n} \iff \prod_{l=s}^t e^{(l)} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L},$$

for all  $s, t$  ( $0 \leq s < t \leq r-1$ ), and

$$g^{e^{(i)} \dots e^{(j)}} \not\equiv g \pmod{n} \iff \prod_{l=i}^j \hat{e}^{(l)} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L},$$

for all  $i, j$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ). Thus it suffices to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{t=i}^j \hat{e}^{(t)} &\not\equiv 1 \pmod{L} \quad (0 \leq i < j \leq r) \\ &\iff \prod_{t=s}^t e^{(t)} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L} \quad (0 \leq s < t \leq r-1) \\ &\quad \wedge \left\{ \prod_{t=i}^{r-1} e^{(t)} \right\} \cdot d \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L} \quad (0 \leq i \leq r-1). \end{aligned}$$

When  $j < r$ ,  $\prod_{t=i}^j \hat{e}^{(t)} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r-1$ ) iff  $\prod_{t=s}^t e^{(t)} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L}$  ( $0 \leq s < t \leq r-1$ ), and when  $j = r$ ,  $\prod_{t=i}^j \hat{e}^{(t)} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ) iff  $\left\{ \prod_{t=i}^{r-1} e^{(t)} \right\} \cdot d \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ). Thus it is immediate to see that  $g^{\hat{e}^{(i)} \dots \hat{e}^{(j)}} \not\equiv g \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r$ ) iff  $g^{e^{(s)} \dots e^{(t)}} \not\equiv g \pmod{n}$  ( $0 \leq s < t \leq r-1$ ) and  $\left\{ \prod_{t=i}^{r-1} e^{(t)} \right\} \cdot d \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ).  $\square$

For  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$  and  $e^{(i)} \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ) such that  $e^{(i)} \neq e^{(j)}$  ( $0 \leq i < j \leq r-1$ ), we define  $\mathcal{D}_{r+1}$  to be a set of  $(r+1)$  distinct  $d_j \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  ( $1 \leq j \leq r+1$ ) such that  $d_j \neq e^{(i)}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq r+1$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ).

**Lemma 4.3:** *Let  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$  and let  $U(|n|)$  be any fixed polynomial in  $|n|$ . Let  $r$  be any positive integer not greater than  $U(|n|)$  and let  $e^{(r-1)} = (e^{(0)}, e^{(1)}, \dots, e^{(r-1)})$ , where  $e^{(i)} < \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ) are distinct  $r$  odd primes. Then for any  $g \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $g^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , there exists at least one  $d \in \mathcal{D}_{r+1}$  such that  $\left\{ \prod_{t=i}^{r-1} e^{(t)} \right\} \cdot d \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L}$  for any  $i$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ), where  $L$  is the order of  $g$  modulo  $n$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $L$  denote the order of  $g$  modulo  $n$ . Since  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$  and  $g \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  satisfies  $g^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ ,  $L \geq \min\{p', q'\}$ . From Lemma 3.1, it follows that  $\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor \leq \min\{p', q'\}$ , and thus for any  $d < \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$ ,  $d < L$ . For some  $i$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ), there exist at most  $r$  distinct  $d_j < \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$  that satisfy  $\left\{ \prod_{t=i}^{r-1} e^{(t)} \right\} \cdot d_j \equiv 1 \pmod{L}$ , hence at least one  $d \in \mathcal{D}_{r+1}$  must satisfy  $\left\{ \prod_{t=i}^{r-1} e^{(t)} \right\} \cdot d \not\equiv 1 \pmod{L}$  for any  $i$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r-1$ ).  $\square$

For simplicity, we assume that every entity  $i$  is numbered as  $1, 2, \dots$ . Let  $E(|n|)$  and  $U(|n|)$  be any fixed polynomials in  $|n|$ . When  $m$  ( $< E(|n|)$ ) entities, each of which is in the  $r_i$ -th ( $1 \leq r_i \leq U(|n|)$ ) key-updating, conspire to find a secret-key of any other entity  $u$  ( $> m$ ), they can use the following information in SKU.

$$\begin{aligned} n \in \mathcal{SC}_k; e_u^{(r_u)} &= e'_0 e'_1 \dots e'_{r_u}, e'_i \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor) \quad (0 \leq i \leq r_u); \\ ID_u \in \mathcal{Z}_n^* (ID_u^2 &\not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}); (n, ID_i, \mathbf{S}_i^{(r_i)}, e_i^{(r_i)}) \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{SKU}} \quad (1 \leq i \leq m), \end{aligned}$$

where  $S_i^{(r_i)} = (S_i^{(0)}, S_i^{(1)}, \dots, S_i^{(r_i)})$ ,  $e_i^{(r_i)} = (e_i^{(0)}, e_i^{(1)}, \dots, e_i^{(r_i)})$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ). Let  $R$  be  $m$  tuple of integers,  $R = (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m)$ , and each  $r_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ) is not greater than  $U(|n|)$ . Then we use  $INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)}$  to denote any algorithm that, on input

$$\begin{aligned} n \in \mathcal{SC}_k; e'_u = e'_0 e'_1 \cdots e'_{r_u}, e'_i \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor) \quad (0 \leq i \leq r_u); \\ x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^* (x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}); \langle n, ID_i, S_i^{(r_i)}, e_i^{(r_i)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{SKU} \quad (1 \leq i \leq m), \end{aligned}$$

outputs  $y \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x \equiv y^e \pmod{n}$  for a non-negligible fraction of  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ , and we use  $INV_{PKU}^{(m,R)}$  to denote any algorithm that, on input

$$\begin{aligned} n \in \mathcal{SC}_k; f \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor); x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^* (x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}); \\ \langle n, ID_i, T_i^{(r_i)}, f_i^{(r_i)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{PKU} \quad (1 \leq i \leq m), \end{aligned}$$

outputs  $y \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x \equiv y^f \pmod{n}$  for a non-negligible fraction of  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ , where  $T = (T_i^{(0)}, T_i^{(1)}, \dots, T_i^{(r_i)})$ ,  $f_i^{(r_i)} = (f_i^{(0)}, f_i^{(1)}, \dots, f_i^{(r_i)})$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ). In addition, we use  $INV$  to denote any algorithm that, on input  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ,  $e \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$ , and  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ , outputs  $y \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x \equiv y^e \pmod{n}$  for a non-negligible fraction of  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ .

From technical reasons, we assume, throughout the rest of this paper, that each  $ID_i$  such that  $ID_i^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  is randomly chosen (by the trusted center) with uniform probability over  $\mathcal{Z}_n^*$ , but once assigned it is unchanged forever.

**Theorem 4.4:** *Given an expected polynomial time algorithm  $INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)}$ , there exists an expected polynomial time algorithm  $INV$  using  $INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)}$  as an oracle.*

**Proof:** It suffices to show that, given  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ,  $e = e'_0 e'_1 \cdots e'_{r_u}$ , and  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , there exists an expected polynomial time  $INV(INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)})$  using an expected polynomial time algorithm  $INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)}$  as an oracle.

Let  $E(|n|)$  and  $U(|n|)$  be any fixed polynomials in  $|n|$ . Let  $m < E(|n|)$  and let  $R = (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m)$ , where  $r_i \leq U(|n|)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ). Note that for  $\langle n, ID_i, S_i^{(r_i)}, e_i^{(r_i)} \rangle$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ), the oracle  $INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)}$  returns a correct answer if  $\langle n, ID_i, S_i^{(r_i)}, e_i^{(r_i)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{SKU}$  for all  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ); it might return garbage or something otherwise.

**Algorithm  $INV(INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)})$ :**

**Input.**  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ;  $e = e'_0 e'_1 \cdots e'_{r_u}$ , where  $e'_i \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  ( $0 \leq i \leq r_u$ );  
 $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .

**Step 1.** Set  $\mathcal{R} := \emptyset$  and  $i := 1$ .

**Step 2.** Set  $\mathcal{S}_i := \emptyset$  and  $\ell_i = r_i$  and choose  $S_i^{(r_i)} \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $\{S_i^{(r_i)}\}^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .

**Step 3.** Choose  $(r_i - \ell_i + 1)$  distinct  $d_j \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$  such that  $d_j \notin \mathcal{S}_i$ , using primality testing. (see, e.g., [AH], [Ra], [SS].)

- Step 4.** For each  $d_j \notin \mathcal{S}_i$  ( $1 \leq j \leq r_i - \ell_i + 1$ ), compute  $S_i^{(\ell_i-1)} \equiv \{S_i^{(\ell_i)}\}^{d_j} \pmod{n}$  until  $S_i^{(\ell_i-1)} \not\equiv S_i^{(\ell)} \pmod{n}$  for all  $\ell$  ( $\ell_i \leq \ell \leq r_i$ ).
- Step 5.** Set  $e_i^{(\ell_i)} := d_j$  and  $\mathcal{S}_i := \mathcal{S}_i \cup e_i^{(\ell_i)}$ .
- Step 6.** If  $\ell_i > 0$ , then  $\ell_i := \ell_i - 1$  and go to **Step 3**.
- Step 7.** Set  $ID_i := S_i^{(-1)}$ .
- Step 7-1.** If  $ID_i \in \mathcal{R}$ , then go to **Step 2**; otherwise set  $S_i^{(r_i)} = (S_i^{(0)}, S_i^{(1)}, \dots, S_i^{(r_i)})$  and  $e_i^{(r_i)} = (e_i^{(0)}, e_i^{(1)}, \dots, e_i^{(r_i)})$ .
- Step 7-2.** If  $i < m$ , then  $\mathcal{R} := \mathcal{R} \cup ID_i$ ,  $i := i + 1$  and go to **Step 2**.
- Step 8.** Run the algorithm (or oracle)  $INV_{\text{SKU}}^{(m,R)}$  on input  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ,  $e = e'_0 e'_1 \cdots e'_{r_u}$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , and  $\langle n, ID_i, S_i^{(r_i)}, e_i^{(r_i)} \rangle$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ).
- Output.**  $y \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x \equiv y^e \pmod{n}$ .

Trivially, **Step 1** (resp. **Step 2**) runs in deterministic (resp. expected) polynomial time. From Lemma 4.1 and the facts that deciding primality is in  $\mathcal{ZPP}$  (see [AH], [Ra], [SS].) and  $(r_i - \ell_i + 1) \leq U(|n|) + 1$ , it follows that **Step 3** runs in expected polynomial time. From Lemmas 4.2 and 4.3, there must exist at least one  $d_j \notin \mathcal{S}_i$  such that for all  $\ell$  ( $\ell_i \leq \ell \leq r_i$ ),  $S_i^{(\ell_i-1)} \not\equiv S_i^{(\ell)} \pmod{n}$ , thus **Step 4** runs in deterministic polynomial time. Since **Step 5** runs in deterministic polynomial time and the iteration times of a loop from **Step 3** to **6** is  $r_i + 1 \leq U(|n|) + 1$ , then the total running cost of the loop from **Step 3** to **6** is expected polynomial time.

In **Step 7-1**, the probability that  $ID_i \in \mathcal{R}$  is negligibly small, because possible candidates of  $ID_i$  is exponentially many, while  $\|\mathcal{R}\|$  is polynomially bounded, i.e.,  $\|\mathcal{R}\| \leq m < E(|n|)$ , and then the expected iteration times from **Step 2** to 7-1 or 7-2 is  $O(E(|n|))$ . Hence the algorithm  $INV(INV_{\text{SKU}}^{(m,R)})$  runs in expected polynomial time and outputs  $y \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $y \equiv x^e \pmod{n}$  for a non-negligible fraction of  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ .  $\square$

Informally, Theorem 4.4 shows that when any polynomially many entities conspire in SKU even in polynomially many times key-updating, they can not invert  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  for a non-negligible fraction of  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ . From the definition of *soundness* [FFS], [TW], this implies that in SKU any polynomially many conspiring entities can not misrepresent themselves for a non-negligible fraction of (possible) other entities, even in polynomially many times key-updating. A result similar to this holds for PKU.

**Theorem 4.5:** Given an expected polynomial time algorithm  $INV_{\text{PKU}}^{(m,R)}$ , there exists an expected polynomial time algorithm  $INV$  using  $INV_{\text{PKU}}^{(m,R)}$  as an oracle.

**Proof:** It suffices to show that, given  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$ , and  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such

that  $x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , there exists an expected polynomial time  $INV(INV_{PKU}^{(m,R)})$  using an expected polynomial time algorithm  $INV_{PKU}^{(m,R)}$  as an oracle.

Let  $E(|n|)$ ,  $U(|n|)$ ,  $m$ , and  $R = (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m)$  be defined in the same way as the proof of Theorem 4.4. It should be noted that for  $\langle n, ID_i, T_i^{(r_i)}, f_i^{(r_i)} \rangle$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ), the oracle  $INV_{PKU}^{(m,R)}$  returns a correct answer if  $\langle n, ID_i, T_i^{(r_i)}, f_i^{(r_i)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{PKU}$  for all  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ); it might return garbage or something otherwise.

**Algorithm**  $INV(INV_{PKU}^{(m,R)})$ :

**Input.**  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ;  $f \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$ ;  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .

**Step 1.** Run each Step from 1 to 7 in the algorithm  $INV(INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)})$ .

**Step 2.** Run the algorithm  $A_{SKU \rightarrow PKU}$  on input  $\langle n, ID_i, S_i^{(r_i)}, e_i^{(r_i)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{SKU}$  for each  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ), and output  $\langle n, ID_i, T_i^{(r_i)}, f_i^{(r_i)} \rangle \in \mathcal{C}_{PKU}$ .

**Step 3.** Run the algorithm (oracle)  $INV_{PKU}^{(m,R)}$  on input  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{OP}(\lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor)$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ , and  $\langle n, ID_i, T_i^{(r_i)}, f_i^{(r_i)} \rangle$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ).

**Output.**  $y \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $x \equiv y^f \pmod{n}$ .

From the proof of Theorem 4.4, it follows that Step 1 runs in expected polynomial time. Since  $m < E(|n|)$  and Theorem 3.5 guarantees that the algorithm  $A_{SKU \rightarrow PKU}$  runs in deterministic polynomial time, Step 2 runs in deterministic polynomial time.

Hence the algorithm  $INV(INV_{SKU}^{(m,R)})$  runs in expected polynomial time and outputs  $y \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$  such that  $y \equiv x^f \pmod{n}$  for a non-negligible fraction of  $x \in \mathcal{Z}_n^*$ .  $\square$

## 5 Conclusion and Remarks

In this paper, we showed two kinds of secure key-updating schemes SKU and PKU in the extended Fiat-Shamir scheme. Here we define more general schemes SKU' and PKU':

Let  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$  and let  $E(|n|)$  and  $U(|n|)$  be any fixed polynomial in  $|n|$ . Then the key-updating scheme SKU' is completely the same as SKU except that for each entity  $i$ ,  $e_i^{(j)} < \lfloor \sqrt{n}/4 \rfloor$  ( $0 \leq j \leq r_i \leq U(|n|)$ ) is an odd number and is not necessarily distinct from each other, and the key-updating scheme PKU' is also completely the same as PKU except that for each entity  $i$ ,  $f_i^{(j)} \nmid f_i^{(k)}$  ( $0 \leq k < j \leq r_i$ ). Using a technique similar to the proofs of Theorems 4.4 and 4.5, we can show that both SKU' and PKU' are provably secure if decrypting RSA is hard for  $n \in \mathcal{SC}_k$ .

Observing the results in this paper, we can say that SKU and PKU have the same security with each other in a polynomial time sense, and seemingly so do SKU' and PKU'. The scheme PKU, however, seems to be better one than SKU in the light of

efficiency, because in the  $r_i$ -th ( $1 \leq r_i \leq U(|n|)$ ) key-updating of PKU, a public-key of each entity  $i$  is only a prime  $f_i^{(r_i)}$ , while in the  $r_i$ -th ( $1 \leq r_i \leq U(|n|)$ ) key-updating of SKU, a public-key of each entity  $i$  is  $\prod_{j=0}^{r_i} e_i^{(j)}$ . This is also the case for PKU' and SKU'.

Our results can be generalized to more theoretical form — For any transitive trapdoor random self-reducible uniform relation (see [IST].), there exists a perfect zero-knowledge (identity-based) identification system with provably secure key-updating schemes, i.e., if any polynomially many entities conspire in polynomially many times key-updating, they can not find a secret-key of a non-negligible fraction of (possible) other entities, or they can not misrepresent themselves for a non-negligible fraction of (possible) other entities.

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