JEDI: Many-to-Many End-to-End Encryption and Key Delegation for IoT

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Want End-to-End Encryption (E2EE)

Existing E2EE is a Poor Fit for Large-Scale IoT



• Large-scale IoT systems use the **publish/subscribe** paradigm

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IoT Systems use *Publish/Subscribe*





IoT Systems use Decentralized Delegation



- Decentralized delegation is an old idea (SPKI/SDSI [CECF01])
- It's the state-of-the-art for access control in large-scale IoT systems (e.g., Vanadium [TS16], BOSSWAVE [AKCCK17])

IoT Devices are Resource-Constrained



JEDI: Joining Encryption and Delegation for IoT

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JEDI is an *end-to-end encryption* (E2EE) protocol that:

- Allows senders and receivers to be decoupled as in publish/subscribe
- Supports decentralized delegation
- Can run on resource-constrained IoT devices

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Decentralized Delegation [CECF01, AKCCK17]



Decentralized Delegation in JEDI



Instantiating JEDI Using Attribute-Based Encryption (ABE [GPSW06])

Set aside efficiency for the moment

Preliminary JEDI Design Using ABE



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Expiry

Encrypt Using Current Time



Time is Another Hierarchy



Support for Resource-Constrained Devices

Hamilton Platform [KACKZMC18]

- Based on the Atmel SAMR21 SoC
 - 32-bit ARM Cortex M0+ @ 48 MHz
 - 32 KiB Data Memory (RAM)
- Goal: several years of battery life
 - \$1.00 CR123A Lithium battery



Energy Cost of ABE

- Due to hybrid encryption, we invoke ABE rarely (e.g., once per hour)
- Regardless, ABE dominates power consumption
- ABE takes 4 minutes on Hamilton → battery won't even last 100 days

Choosing a More Efficient Encryption Scheme



Summary of WKD-IBE [AKN07]

• Each ciphertext or key encodes a vector of strings and wildcards

| \bigcirc | | foo | bar | baz | * | qux | quux | * | quuz | corge |
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Cryptographic Improvements to WKD-IBE

Existing WKD-IBE Encryption Algorithm [AKN07]



Observation: adjacent encryptions in JEDI differ in only a *few* attributes

JEDI's New WKD-IBE Encryption Algorithm



Idea: encrypt according to the *delta* from the previous attributes

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Implementation

Two parts of JEDI's implementation:

- 1. JEDI Cryptography Library (<u>https://github.com/ucbrise/jedi-pairing</u>)
 - Includes assembly optimizations for ARM Cortex-M0+ (also x86-64, ARMv8)
 - 4-5x performance improvement over pure C/C++ on Hamilton
- 2. JEDI Protocol Prototype (<u>https://github.com/ucbrise/jedi-protocol</u>)
 - Implemented for bw2 [AKCFCP17], a messaging system for smart cities

JEDI Applied to bw2 (Running on a Laptop)

- Most of JEDI's overhead comes from the symmetric-key crypto library (NaCl secretbox)
- JEDI's overhead is ≈ 10 ms for small messages



Estimated Battery Life on a Hamilton Sensor



- Each encryption with JEDI is 37x more efficient than naïvely applying ABE
- JEDI's battery life, when sampling once every 10 s, is:
 - 14x better than using ABE
 - within 2x of using AES only
 - several years long

We are Deploying JEDI in the Real World!



Conclusion

JEDI is an end-to-end encryption protocol for large-scale IoT systems. It:

- Allows senders and receivers to be decoupled as in publish/subscribe
- Supports decentralized delegation with expiry
- Can run on devices across the spectrum of resource constraints

Thank you for listening!

https://github.com/ucbrise/jedi-pairing https://github.com/ucbrise/jedi-protocol-go

Extended paper: https://arxiv.org/abs/1905.13369



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