

## Proxiable Designated Verifier Signature

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Designated Verifier Signature (DVS) guarantees that only a verifier designated by a signer can verify the “*validity of a signature*”. In this paper, we propose a new variant of DVS; Proxiable Designated Verifier Signature (PDVS) where the verifier can commission a third party (i.e., the proxy) to perform some process of the verification. In the PDVS system, the verifier can reduce his computational cost by delegating some process of the verification without revealing the validity of the signature to the proxy. In all DVS systems, the validity of a signature means that a signature satisfies both properties that (1) the signature is judged “*accept*” by a decision algorithm and (2) the signature is confirmed at it is generated by the signer. So in the PDVS system, the verifier can commission the proxy to check only the property (1). In the proposed PDVS model, we divide verifier’s secret keys into two parts; one is a key for performing the decision algorithm, and the other is a key for generating a dummy signature, which prevents a third party from convincing the property (2). We also define security requirements for the PDVS, and propose a PDVS scheme which satisfies all security requirements we define.

### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 Background

Designated Verifier Signature (DVS) was first introduced by Jakobsson, Sako and Impagliazzo<sup>1)</sup>. In the DVS system, a signer designates a certain receiver for a verifier and only the verifier designated by the signer can verify the validity of a signature.

DVS is useful for a situation where a signer expects that the validity of the signature is confirmed by only specific person and is not confirmed by the others.

We consider the situation of public procedures. The person sends his personal information (a report of one’s removal, etc.) to the government office. He hopes that this information cannot be leaked to others. He must generate his signature for this document, but he worries about leaking and being confirmed his personal information. If he uses the DVS, he can inform his personal information to the government and not have to worry about leaking it.

A simple strategy in which the signer encrypts his digital signature by the public key of the verifier seems to achieve the property of the DVS. However in this strategy, the verifier is able to leak the validity of the signature by decrypting the encrypted signature and revealing it to the third party. While in the DVS system, even the verifier cannot leak the validity of the signature, he can verify it. Hence the strategy of using the public key encryption and the digital signature cannot achieve the property of the DVS.

Another kind of signature where the signer can restrict receivers to verify the validity of the signature is the Undeniable Signature (US)<sup>2)</sup>. In the US system, the verifier needs interaction with the signer to perform the verification. The signer designates a certain receiver for the verifier by selecting the person whom the signer interacts with for verification. The third party who does not interact with the signer can not confirm the validity of the signature, and the verifier cannot convince the third party of validity of the signature which the verifier verified before by revealing the records of verification process.

In the US system, the verifier must interact with the signer whenever he verifies the signature. On the other hand in the DVS system, the signer designates a certain receiver for the verifier when he generates the signature, and the verifier can verify the validity of the signature at any time without interaction with the signer.

By using Message Authenticate Code (MAC), the prover can also designate a certain receiver as the verifier. MAC is also verified the validity without interaction. However the prover and the verifier must share a common secret key before using MAC. In the DVS system, the signer can designate a certain receiver for the verifier using only the verifier’s public key.

In the DVS system, the validity of a signature is checked by following two procedures: Decision and Distinction. By Decision, the signature is checked whether it

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is “*accepted*” by the decision procedure. By *Distinction*, the signature is checked whether it is exactly generated by the signer. In this paper, we call a signature which is accepted by *Decision* an *acceptable signature*, and a signature which is acceptable signature and generated by the signer a *valid signature*. The meaning of verifying the validity of a signature is confirming that the signature is valid by performing *Decision* and *Distinction*.

In the DVS system, the verifier can also generate an acceptable signature. We call such an acceptable signature a *dummy signature*, while we call a signature generated by a signer an *original signature*. Only the original signature must be confirmed as the valid signature. Any third party should be unable to distinguish the original signature from dummy signatures. Even if a third party accepts a signature, he is unable to confirm that the signature is the original signature because it could be a dummy signature. Therefore, a third party is unable to verify the validity of the signature. On the other hand, the verifier can decide whether the signature is the original signature by using his own list of dummy signatures generated by himself. Hence, the verifier cannot convince a third party the validity of the signature.

In several DVS systems<sup>1),3)–5)</sup>, anyone can perform the *Decision*. However, a third party cannot confirm the validity of a signature because he can not perform *Distinction*. We call those DVS systems *ordinary DVS*. In the ordinary DVS system, a third party can narrow the signer to two candidates. On the other hand, *strong DVS*<sup>6)–8)</sup> in which only the verifier can perform the *Decision* was proposed. In the strong DVS system, a third party cannot even narrowed down the candidates for the signer to two.

### 1.2 A Motivating Problem

In a strong DVS system, all processes of the verification can be performed by only a verifier. If one person is designated by large numbers of signers, he must proceed large amount of the task of the verification procedure by himself.

This situation will often occur if the DVS system is applied to the situation of public procedures. In this case, a lot of people would send their documents with DVSs to one government office. Then, the officer must verify large amount of DVSs. Hence, the officer would like to entrust other organizations to some processes of verification.

### 1.3 Contribution

In order to reduce the computational cost for verification, we will propose Proxiable Designated Verifier Signature (PDVS) where the verifier can commission a third party (i.e., the proxy) to perform some process of the verification. In previous DVS systems, the third party can perform the *Decision*, but he cannot confirm the validity of a signature. Hence in the PDVS system, the *Decision* is delegated to the proxy and the verifier performs only the *Distinction*. If the verifier does not issue any dummy signature for message  $m$ , he verifies that  $(m, \sigma)$  is valid immediately when he is reported that  $(m, \sigma)$  is acceptable by the proxy. Hence the verifier can reduce his computational cost.

In previous strong DVS systems<sup>6)–8)</sup>, there is only one kind of verifier’s secret key which is used for performing the *Decision* algorithm and for generating dummy signatures. If the verifier gives his secret key in order to delegate the *Decision*, the proxy can also generate a dummy signature. In this case, the verifier cannot perform the *Distinction*. Thus in the previous strong DVS systems, the verifier cannot delegate the verification task to the proxy.

Hence in the PDVS system, there are two kinds of verifier’s keys; one is a key for performing the *Decision* and the other is for generating dummy signatures. The verifier can delegate the *Decision* to the proxy by giving only the secret key for performing the *Decision*, and the verifier keeps the both of keys; a key for performing the *Decision* and a key for generating dummy signatures.

Unlike the previous DVS systems, there is the new entity proxy in the PDVS system. Hence we consider the requirements for each position, not only the verifier and the third party but also the proxy. We define security requirements for PDVS scheme by capturing the following requirements. (1) The verifier can surely verify the validity of the signature at any time. (2) The proxy can perform the *Decision*, but cannot generate any acceptable signature. (3) The third party cannot perform even the *Decision*. We describe the definition of security requirements in Section 3.2.

In this paper, we formalize PDVS, and define security requirements for PDVS in Section 3. We propose a concrete PDVS scheme and prove that our PDVS scheme satisfies security requirements we define in Section 3.2.

### 1.4 Related Works

In 1996, DVS<sup>1)</sup> was first introduced and is the first ordinary DVS. After that, strong DVS<sup>6)</sup> was proposed, and several security requirements for DVS was defined<sup>4),6),7)</sup>.

At the same time, several variants of DVSs were proposed. *multi-DVS*<sup>9)</sup> is the DVS where the signer can designate some receivers for a verifier in one signature, and the verifiers can verify the signature individually. *Universal DVS*<sup>5),8),10),11)</sup> is a system that a basic digital signature can be converted to a designated verifier signature. *Designated proxy signature* (DVPS)<sup>12)</sup> is the DVS where the signer can delegate his signing capacity to the third party (i.e., the proxy).

In all of the DVS systems which were proposed before, the verifier has to verify the validity of the signature himself.

## 2. Preliminaries

We will provide several definitions which are building blocks of our PDVS scheme.

**Definition 1 (Bilinear map)** Let  $(\mathbb{G}, +)$ , and  $(\mathbb{H}, \cdot)$  be two groups of the same prime order  $q$ . Let  $P$  be a generator of  $\mathbb{G}$ . A bilinear map is a mapping  $e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$  satisfying the following properties:

- bilinear:  $e(aQ, bR) = e(Q, R)^{ab}$ , for all  $(Q, R) \in \mathbb{G}^2$ , and all  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ ;
- non-degeneration:  $e(P, P) \neq 1$ ;
- computability: there exists an efficient algorithm to compute  $e$ ;

**Definition 2 (Prime-order-BDH-parameter-generator)** *Prime-order-BDH-parameter-generator* is a probabilistic algorithm that takes on input a security parameter  $k$ , and outputs a 5-tuple  $(q, P, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{H}, e)$  satisfying the following conditions:

- $q$  is a prime with  $2^{k-1} < q < 2^k$ ;
- $\mathbb{G}$  and  $\mathbb{H}$  are groups of order  $q$ ;
- $e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$  is a bilinear map;

**Definition 3 (Computational Diffie-Hellman assumption)** Let  $\text{Gen}$  be a *Prime-order-BDH-parameter-generator*. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an adversary that takes an input 5-tuple  $(q, P, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{H}, e)$  generated by  $\text{Gen}$  and  $(X, Y) \in \mathbb{G}^2$ , and returns an element of  $Z \in \mathbb{G}$ . We consider the following random experiments, where  $k$  is a

security parameter;

$$\boxed{\text{Experiment Exp}_{\text{Gen}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{cdh}}(k)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(q, P, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{H}, e) \xleftarrow{R} \text{Gen}(k) \\ &(x, y) \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*2}, X := xP, Y := yP \\ &Z \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(q, P, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{H}, e, X, Y) \\ &\text{Return 1 iff } Z = xyP \end{aligned}$$

We define the corresponding success probability of  $\mathcal{A}$  via

$$\text{Succ}_{\text{Gen}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{cdh}}(k) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{Gen}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{cdh}}(k) = 1].$$

Let  $t \in \mathbb{N}$ . CDH is said to be  $(k, t, \epsilon)$ -hard if no adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  running in time  $t$  has  $\text{Succ}_{\text{Gen}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{cdh}}(k) \geq \epsilon$ .

**Definition 4 (Gap-Bilinear Diffie-Hellman assumption)** Let  $\text{Gen}$  be a *Prime-order-BDH-parameter-generator*. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an adversary that takes on input 5-tuple  $(q, P, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{H}, e)$  generated by  $\text{Gen}$  and  $(X, Y, Z) \in \mathbb{G}^3$ , and returns an element of  $h \in \mathbb{H}$ . We consider the following random experiments, where  $k$  is a security parameter;

$$\boxed{\text{Experiment Exp}_{\text{Gen}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{gbdh}}(k)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(q, P, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{H}, e) \xleftarrow{R} \text{Gen}(k) \\ &(x, y, z) \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*3}, X := xP, Y := yP, Z := zP \\ &h \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{DBDH}}(q, P, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{H}, e, X, Y, Z) \\ &\text{Return 1 iff } h = e(P, P)^{xyz} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{DBDH}}$  denotes that the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  has access to a DBDH oracle. A DBDH oracle is an oracle that for input  $aP, bP, cP$ , and  $e(P, P)^d$ , decides whether  $d = abc$  or not. We define the corresponding success probability of  $\mathcal{A}$  via

$$\text{Succ}_{\text{Gen}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{gbdh}}(k) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{Gen}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{gbdh}}(k) = 1].$$

Let  $t \in \mathbb{N}$ . GBDH is said to be  $(k, t, \epsilon)$ -hard if no adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  running in time  $t$  has  $\text{Succ}_{\text{Gen}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{gbdh}}(k) \geq \epsilon$ .

### 3. Definitions of Proxiable DVS

In this section, we will propose the definition of the PDVS and will define several security properties of the PDVS.

#### 3.1 The Models of PDVS Scheme

A PDVS scheme consists of seven algorithms: Let  $k$  be a security parameter. Each definition is described as follows.

Common parameter generation (Setup): A probabilistic algorithm, on input  $k$ , outputs the public parameters  $params$ .

Signer's key generation (SKeyGen): A probabilistic algorithm, on input  $params$ , outputs the public and secret signer's key  $PKs$  and  $SKs$ .

Verifier's key generation (VKeyGen): A probabilistic algorithm, on input  $params$ , outputs verifier's secret key  $SKv$  and  $SKp$ , and the verifier's public key  $PKv$ .  $SKv$  is kept by only the verifier.  $SKp$  is given to the proxy by the verifier.

Designated signing (DSign): A probabilistic algorithm, on input  $params$ , message  $m$ , signer's secret key  $SKs$  and signer's and verifier's public keys  $PKs$ ,  $PKv$ , outputs a original signature  $\sigma$ .

Transcript simulation (TSim): A probabilistic algorithm, on input  $params$ , message  $m$ , verifier's secret key  $SKv$ , and signer's and verifier's public keys  $PKs$ ,  $PKv$ , outputs a dummy signature  $\sigma'$ .

Designated verifying 1 (Decision): A deterministic algorithm, on input  $params$ , message  $m$ , a signature  $\sigma$ , public key's  $PKs$ ,  $PKv$  and verifier's secret key  $SKp$ , outputs a verification decision, *accept* or *reject*.

Designated verifying 2 (Distinction): A deterministic algorithm, on input  $params$ , message  $m$ , an acceptable signature  $\sigma$ ,  $PKs$ ,  $PKv$ , verifier's secret key  $SKv$  and the list of dummy signatures which the verifier issued before, outputs a verification decision, *valid* or *invalid*.

#### 3.2 Definitions of Security Properties of PDVS

In this section, we propose definitions of security requirements for the PDVS.

##### 3.2.1 Strong Unforgeability

Yoneyama, et al.<sup>13)</sup> defined rigorous security requirements for DVS, and pointed out that *Existential Unforgeability* (EUF) is not sufficient and *Strong*

*Existential Unforgeability* (sEUF) must be satisfied for secure DVS schemes.

We point out that PDVS schemes must also satisfy sEUF. Since in the PDVS system satisfying EUF but not satisfying sEUF, the proxy is also able to confirm the validity of the signature.

We consider a following strong-forgery-attack. The strong-forgery-attacker generates an acceptable message/signature pair  $(m, \sigma^*)$  from another acceptable message/signature pair  $(m, \sigma)$ . No one can distinguish whether  $(m, \sigma^*)$  is generated by the formal procedures (DSign or TSim) or the strong-forgery-attack. Such an attacker could exist in a PDVS system satisfying just EUF, because EUF only guarantees that anyone is unable to generate an acceptable  $(m^*, \sigma^*)$  where  $m^*$  is different from any acceptable signed message  $m$ .

If such a strong-forgery-attacker exists, the following situation occurs. The verifier generates a dummy signature  $\sigma_{TSim}$  for a message  $m$ , and issues  $(m, \sigma_{TSim})$ . Then the strong-forgery-attacker can generate a forgery  $(m, \sigma_{TSim}^*)$  by using  $(m, \sigma_{TSim})$ . After that, the signer generates an original signature  $\sigma_{DSign}$  for the message  $m$ . In this case, even if the verifier can decide that  $(m, \sigma)$  is acceptable, he cannot confirm where  $\sigma$  is the original signature  $\sigma_{DSign}$  or the forgery  $\sigma_{TSim}^*$ . Then even the verifier is unable to confirm the validity of the signature by the Distinction. So the verifier is unable to issue any dummy signature to confirm the validity of the signature in any cases. In the above situation, the proxy is able to confirm the validity of the signature by performing the Decision, because the acceptable signature is surely the original signature. Hence, if the PDVS does not satisfy sEUF, the proxy is able to confirm the validity of the signature. So, the PDVS must satisfy sEUF.

The PDVS requires that not only an arbitrary third party but the proxy, who has verifier's secret key  $SKp$ , is not able to forge a signature.

**Definition 5 (Strong Unforgeability)\*<sup>1</sup>** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a strong-forgery against adaptive chosen message attack (sEUF-CMA)-adversary against PDVS,  $\Sigma_S$  be the original signing oracle,  $\Sigma_T$  be the dummy signing oracle, and  $\Upsilon$  be the distinc-

\*1 In the basic digital signature, the security notion of strong unforgeability is proposed by Ref. 14). We define strong unforgeability for the PDVS by adapting strong unforgeability to the PDVS system.

tion oracle  $\star^1$ . Let  $\{(m_1, \sigma_1), \dots, (m_{q_{\Sigma_S}}, \sigma_{q_{\Sigma_S}})\}$  be a set of message and signature pair which is given to  $\mathcal{A}$  by oracle  $\Sigma_S$ ,  $\{(m'_1, \sigma'_1), \dots, (m'_{q_{\Sigma_T}}, \sigma'_{q_{\Sigma_T}})\}$  be a set of message and signature pair which is given to  $\mathcal{A}$  by oracle  $\Sigma_T$ . Let  $k$  be a security parameter. We consider the following random experiment:

*Experiment*  $\text{Exp}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{seuf-cma}}(k)$

$params \xleftarrow{R} \text{Setup}(k)$   
 $(PKs, SKs) \xleftarrow{R} \text{SKeyGen}(params)$   
 $(PKv, SKv, SKp) \xleftarrow{R} \text{VKeyGen}(params)$   
 $(m^*, \sigma^*) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\Sigma_S, \Sigma_T, \Upsilon}(params, PKs, PKv, SKp)$   
*s.t.*  $(m^*, \sigma^*) \notin \{(m_1, \sigma_1), \dots, (m_{q_{\Sigma_S}}, \sigma_{q_{\Sigma_S}})\} \cup \{(m'_1, \sigma'_1), \dots, (m'_{q_{\Sigma_T}}, \sigma'_{q_{\Sigma_T}})\}$   
 Return 1 iff  $\text{Decision}(params, m^*, \sigma^*, PKs, PKv, SKp) = \text{accept}$   
 $\wedge \text{Distinction}(params, m^*, \sigma^*, PKs, PKv, SKv, \text{list of dummy signatures})$   
 $= \text{valid}$

We define the success probability of the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  by

$$\text{Succ}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{seuf-cma}}(k) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{seuf-cma}}(k) = 1].$$

A PDVS scheme is said to be  $(k, \tau, \epsilon)$ -sEUFCMA secure, if no adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  running in time  $\tau$  has a  $\text{Succ}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{seuf-cma}}(k) \geq \epsilon$ .

### 3.2.2 Privacy of Signer's Identity

In the PDVS system, a third party who has only public keys must be unable to confirm whether a signature is acceptable or not. To capture this requirement, we define *Privacy of signer's identity* (PSI) as “there are two possible signers. An adversary sees a signature  $\sigma$ , he is not able to distinguish the signer who generates  $\sigma$ ”  $\star^2$ . This condition can be described as follows.

**Definition 6 (Privacy of signer's identity)** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a PSI-CMA-adversary against PDVS,  $\Sigma_{S_0}$  and  $\Sigma_{S_1}$  be original signing oracles,  $\Sigma_T$  be the dummy signing oracle,  $\Gamma$  be the Decision oracle, and  $\Upsilon$  be the Distinction oracle. Let  $k$  be a security parameter. We consider the following random experiment for

$\star^1$  The Decision oracle is not needed in this experiment, because the adversary who has  $SKp$  can execute the Decision by himself.

$\star^2$  The concept of PSI was proposed by Laguillaumie, et al.<sup>9)</sup>. We modify the definition of PSI to suit to PDVS model.

$i \in \{0, 1\}$ .

*Experiment*  $\text{Exp}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{psi-cma-}i}(k)$

$params \xleftarrow{R} \text{Setup}(k)$   
 $(PKs0, SKs0) \xleftarrow{R} \text{SKeyGen}(params)$   
 $(PKs1, SKs1) \xleftarrow{R} \text{SKeyGen}(params)$   
 $(PKv, SKv, SKp) \xleftarrow{R} \text{VKeyGen}(params)$   
 $m^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\Sigma_{S_0}, \Sigma_{S_1}, \Sigma_T, \Gamma, \Upsilon}(params, PKs0, PKs1, PKv)$   
 $\sigma^* \leftarrow \text{DSign}(params, m^*, SKs_i, PKv)$   
 Return  $i' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\Sigma_{S_0}, \Sigma_{S_1}, \Sigma_T, \Gamma, \Upsilon}(params, m^*, \sigma^*, PKs0, PKs1, PKv)$

We define the advantage of the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  by

$$\text{Adv}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{psi-cma}}(k) = |\Pr[\text{Exp}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{psi-cma-}0}(k) = 1] - \Pr[\text{Exp}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{psi-cma-}1}(k) = 1]|$$

A PDVS scheme is said to be  $(k, \tau, \epsilon)$ -PSI-CMA secure, if no adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  running in time  $\tau$  has  $\text{Adv}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{psi-cma}}(k) \geq \epsilon$ .

### 3.2.3 Source Hiding

In the PDVS system, anyone except the verifier who has all secret keys must be unable to confirm whether a signature is valid signature or not in order to guarantee that the Distinction is able to be performed by only the verifier. In this paper, *Source Hiding* (SH) means “even if any adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  has all secret and public keys, he can not distinguish the original signature from the dummy signature.”

It is clear that if a PDVS scheme satisfies SH,  $\mathcal{A}$  who has part of a secret key cannot distinguish the original signature from the dummy signature. Thus if a scheme satisfies SH, the proxy can not confirm the validity of the signature.

**Definition 7 (Source Hiding)** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an arbitrary completely source hiding (SH)-adversary against a PDVS scheme. Let  $k$  be a security parameter. We consider the following random experiment:

*Experiment*  $\text{Exp}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{sh}}(k)$

$params \xleftarrow{R} \text{Setup}(k)$

$$\begin{aligned}
& (PKs, SKs) \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} \text{SKeyGen}(params) \\
& (PKv, SKv, SKp) \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} \text{VKeyGen}(params) \\
& m^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(params, PKs, PKv, SKs, SKv, SKp) \\
& r \leftarrow_R \{0, 1\} \\
& \text{if } r = 1 : \sigma^* \leftarrow \text{DSign}(params, m^*, SKs, PKs, PKv) \\
& \text{otherwise} : \sigma^* \leftarrow \text{TSim}(params, m^*, SKv, PKs, PKv) \\
& r' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(params, m^*, \sigma^*, PKs, PKv, SKs, SKv, SKp) \\
& \text{Return } 1 \text{ iff } r' = r
\end{aligned}$$

We define the advantage of the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  by

$$\text{Adv}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{sh}(k) = \left| \Pr[\text{Exp}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{sh}(k) = 1] - \frac{1}{2} \right|.$$

A PDVS scheme is said to be  $(k, \tau, \epsilon)$ -SH-CMA secure, if no adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  running time  $\tau$  has  $\text{Adv}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{sh}(k) \geq \epsilon$ .

### 3.2.4 Non-coincidental Property

For message  $m$ , if the probability that  $\sigma_{DSign} = \sigma_{TSim}$  for those  $\sigma_{DSign} \leftarrow \text{DSign}(params, m^*, SKs, PKs, PKv)$  and  $\sigma_{TSim} \leftarrow \text{TSim}(params, m^*, SKv, PKs, PKv)$  is non-negligible, the verifier cannot confirm the validity of the signature. Since he cannot confirm that  $(m, \sigma_{DSign})$  is the original signature because he cannot distinguish  $(m, \sigma_{DSign})$  from the dummy signature  $(m, \sigma_{TSim})$  he issued before.

Hence, the PDVS must satisfy the property that the probability that the original signature is identical with the dummy signature is negligible. In this paper, we call this property *Non-coincidental property* (NCP).

**Definition 8 (Non-coincidental property)** A PDVS scheme is said to be  $(k, \epsilon)$ -NCP secure, if for any  $m$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Pr[\sigma_{DSign} = \sigma_{TSim} | params \leftarrow \text{SetUp}(k); \\
& \quad (SKs, PKs) \leftarrow \text{SKeyGen}(params); \\
& \quad (PKv, SKv, SKp) \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} \text{VKeyGen}(params) \\
& \quad \sigma_{DSign} \leftarrow \text{DSign}(params, m^*, SKs, PKs, PKv); \\
& \quad \sigma_{TSim} \leftarrow \text{TSim}(params, m^*, SKv, PKs, PKv)] \\
& \leq \epsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

## 4. Our Proposed PDVS Scheme

In this section, we propose a PDVS scheme satisfying all security requirements which we defined in Section 3.2.

First, we propose a naive PDVS scheme, which does not satisfy sEUF. Next, we show a strong-forgery attack for the naive PDVS scheme. Finally, we propose a PDVS scheme which is improved from the naive PDVS scheme and satisfies sEUF and other security requirements.

### 4.1 Naive PDVS Scheme

#### 4.1.1 Idea

We achieve the naive PDVS scheme by using the bi-DVS scheme proposed by Laguillaumie and Vergnaud<sup>9)</sup>. In the bi-DVS, a signer designates two receivers for a verifier in one signature. The bi-DVS system does not capture dummy signatures and the validity of the signature is confirmed by only checking the Decision. Two verifiers have their own secret key respectively and can execute the Decision by using only his secret key<sup>\*1</sup>.

We find that the bi-DVS scheme has a property where a person who has both two verifiers' secret keys can generate an acceptable signature without using the signer's secret keys, and such an acceptable signature is not distinguished from the signature generated by the signer. That is, he can generate a dummy signature. We achieve the PDVS scheme by corresponding the key for performing the Decision to one of two verifiers' keys in the bi-DVS and keys for generating dummy signatures to both of two verifiers' keys.

#### 4.1.2 Naive PDVS scheme

Let  $k$  be a security parameter.

**SetUp:** Let  $\text{Gen}$  be a prime-order-BDH-generator and let  $(q, P, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{H}, e)$  be an output of  $\text{Gen}(k)$ . Let  $\mathcal{H} : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$  be a hash function family and  $H$  be a random member of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

\*1 If each of the verifiers can generate a dummy signature, the other verifier cannot confirm the validity of the signature. If it is so, there are more than two entities who can generate an acceptable signature and the verifier cannot confirm that the signature is generated by the signer. In the bi-DVS system, the validity of the signature is confirmed by only checking the Decision. So, each of verifiers can transfer the validity of the signature to a third party. Therefore, to be exact, the bi-DVS is not DVS.

**SKeyGen:** Pick  $a \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  and compute  $P_A = aP$ . The signer's public key  $PKs$  is  $P_A$  and the secret key  $SKs$  is  $a$ .

**VKeyGen:** Pick  $b \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  and compute  $P_B = bP$ . Pick  $c \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  and compute  $P_C = cP$ . The verifiers' public key  $PKv$  is  $P_B$  and  $P_C$ . The secret keys  $SKv$  which the verifier keeps are  $b$  and  $c$ , and the secret key  $SKp$  which the proxy is given by the verifier is  $c$ .

**DSign:** Given a message  $m \in \{0, 1\}^*$ , pick  $(r, l) \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*2}$ , compute  $P_{BC} = P_B + P_C$ ,  $u = e(P_B, P_C)^a$  and  $M = H(m, u^l)$  and set  $Q_A = a^{-1}(M - rP_{BC})$  and  $Q_{BC} = rP$ . The signature  $\sigma$  of  $m$  is  $(Q_A, Q_{BC}, l)$ .

**TSim:** Given a message  $m \in \{0, 1\}^*$ , pick  $(r', l') \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*2}$ . Compute  $P_{BC} = P_B + P_C$ ,  $u = e(P_A, P_C)^b$  and  $M' = H(m, u^{l'})$ , and set  $Q'_A = r'P$  and  $Q'_{BC} = (b+c)^{-1}(M' - r'P_A)$ . The dummy signature  $\sigma'$  of  $m$  is  $(Q'_A, Q'_{BC}, l')$ .

**Decision:** Given  $m$  and  $\sigma$ , compute  $u = e(P_A, P_B)^c$  and  $M = H(m, u^l)$ . Finally, check whether  $e(Q_A, P_A)e(Q_{BC}, P_{BC}) = e(M, P)$ . If it does, return *accept*. Otherwise return *reject*.

**Distinction:** Given an acceptable message/signature pair  $(m, \sigma)$ , check whether  $(m = m') \wedge (\sigma = \sigma')$  for any message/dummy signature pair  $(m', \sigma')$  which was issued before. If it does not, return *valid*. Otherwise return *invalid*.

### 4.1.3 Strong-forgery-attack for Naive PDVS Scheme

We describe the strong-forgery-attack for the naive PDVS scheme.

Select  $\epsilon \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  for accepted  $(m, \sigma)$ , and compute  $Q_A^* = Q_A - \epsilon P_{BC}$ ,  $Q_B^* = Q_{BC} + \epsilon P_A$  and output forgery  $(Q_A^*, Q_{BC}^*, l)$ . Then  $(Q_A^*, Q_{BC}^*, l)$  satisfies  $e(Q_A^*, P_A)e(Q_{BC}^*, P_{BC}) = e(M, P)$ . Therefore anyone can generate forgery  $(Q_A^*, Q_{BC}^*, l)$  by using an acceptable message/signature pair.

## 4.2 Proposed PDVS Scheme

### 4.2.1 Idea

To prevent the strong-forgery attack in Section 4.1.3, we add a signing procedure for generating a new part of signature  $ch$  corresponding to  $(m, \sigma)$ .  $ch$  is computed only by using the signer's or verifier's secret key. A valid signature consists of  $\sigma$  and  $ch$ . Even if a third party generates  $(m, \sigma^*)$ , he cannot generate  $ch^*$  corresponding to  $(m, \sigma^*)$ .

The validity of  $ch$  is verified by Distinction by computing  $ch$  corresponding to

$(m, \sigma)$  with verifier's secret key. Even if  $(m, \sigma^*)$  is accepted by Decision, it is not judged as a valid signature by Distinction, because any third party cannot generate  $ch^*$  corresponding to  $(m, \sigma^*)$ . Hence by checking  $ch$  by Distinction, any third party never generates strong-forgery  $(m, \sigma^*, ch^*)$ .

### 4.2.2 PDVS Scheme

Let  $\sigma$  be a signature which is generated by DSign or TSim in the naive PDVS scheme and  $\Sigma$  be a family of  $\sigma$ .

**SetUp:** Let be the same as SetUp in the naive PDVS. In addition, let  $\mathcal{G}: \{0, 1\}^* \times \Sigma \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$  be a hash function family and  $G$  be a random member of  $\mathcal{G}$ .

**SKeyGen:** Pick  $(a, a') \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*2}$  and compute  $P_A = aP$  and  $P_{A'} = a'P$ . The signer's public keys  $PKs$  are  $P_A$  and  $P_{A'}$ , and the secret keys  $SKs$  are  $a$  and  $a'$ .

**VKeyGen:** Pick  $(b, b') \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*2}$  and compute  $P_B = bP$  and  $P_{B'} = b'P$ . Pick  $c \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  and compute  $P_C = cP$ . The verifiers' public keys  $PKv$  are  $P_B$ ,  $P_{B'}$  and  $P_C$ . The secret keys  $SKv$  that the verifier keeps are  $b$ ,  $b'$  and  $c$ . The secret key  $SKp$  that the proxy is given by the verifier is  $c$ .

**DSign:** Given  $m$ , generate  $\sigma$  by DSign in the naive PDVS scheme and compute  $ch = G(m, \sigma, a'P_{B'})$ . The original signature  $\sigma_{new}$  of  $m$  is  $(\sigma, ch)$ .

**TSim:** Given  $m$ , generate  $\sigma'$  by TSim in the naive PDVS scheme and compute  $ch' = G(m, \sigma', b'P_{A'})$ . The dummy signature  $\sigma'_{new}$  of  $m$  is  $(\sigma', ch')$ .

**Decision:** Let be the same as Decision in the naive PDVS scheme.

**Distinction:** Given an acceptable message/signature pair  $(m, \sigma, ch)$ , if  $m \neq m'$  for any  $m'$  which was issued with dummy signature before, output *valid*.

Else if  $(m = m') \wedge (\sigma = \sigma')$  for any message/dummy signature pair  $(m', \sigma')$  which was issued before, output *invalid*. Otherwise check whether  $ch = G(m, \sigma, b'P_{A'})$ , if it does, output *valid*.

### 4.3 Comparison

In this section, we compare previous DVS schemes with our proposed PDVS scheme in terms of the computational cost of the verification task for the verifier.

We describe the cost of computing modulo exponentiation as  $E$  and the cost of computing pairing calculation as  $P$ .

In previous strong DVS systems, Decision is performed only by the verifier.

The cost of performing the Decision of the scheme by Saeednia, et al.<sup>6)</sup> is  $3E$ , and the scheme by Laguillaumie, et al.<sup>9)</sup> is  $E + 4P$ .

In our proposed PDVS scheme, the verification cost of the verifier is at most  $E$ . But this calculation is performed when only the message/signature pair  $(m, \sigma)$  satisfies  $(m = m') \wedge (\sigma \neq \sigma')$  for any  $(m', \sigma')$  which the verifier issued before. In the PDVS system, indeed, the verifier need not issue any dummy signature. In this case, the verifier verifies that  $(m, \sigma)$  is valid immediately when he is reported that  $(m, \sigma)$  is acceptable by the proxy. Hence, in practice, the verification cost of the verifier is much smaller than that of previous DVS systems.

#### 4.4 Security Proofs

##### 4.4.1 Strong Unforgeability

We will prove that PDVS is satisfies sEUF-CMA.

**Theorem 1 (Strong Unforgeability)** For any sEUF-CMA-adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  in the random oracle model, with security parameter  $k$ , which has the success probability  $\epsilon = \text{Succ}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{seuf-cma}}(k)$ , and makes  $q_G$  queries to the random oracle,  $q_{\Sigma_S}$  queries to the original signing oracle,  $q_{\Sigma_T}$  queries to the dummy signing oracle,  $q_{\Upsilon}$  queries to the Distinction oracle, there exists an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  for CDH which has the advantage  $\text{Succ}_{Gen, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{cdh}}$  upper-bounded by  $\epsilon'$  such that

$$\epsilon' \geq \epsilon - \frac{(q_G + q_{\Upsilon})(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})}{2^{4k}} - \frac{1}{2^k}.$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  is an adversary that  $(k, t, \epsilon)$ -breaks sEUF-CMA of the PDVS scheme.  $\mathcal{A}$  who is given information  $params, PKs, PKv$  and  $SKp$  can query messages for original signing and dummy signing oracle and obtains signatures  $(\sigma, ch)$  for any message  $m$ .  $(m_i, \sigma_i, ch_i)$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T}\}$  are message/signature pairs which  $\mathcal{A}$  obtains by signing oracles.  $\mathcal{A}$  also can ask the Distinction oracle whether message and the signature pairs are valid or not. Finally  $\mathcal{A}$  outputs a forgery  $(m^*, \sigma^*, ch^*)$ .

We construct  $\mathcal{B}$  which solves CDH problem by using  $\mathcal{A}$ . Let  $(X, Y)$  be an inputs for  $\mathcal{B}$  where  $X = xP$  and  $Y = yP$  in  $\mathbb{G}$  for uniformly random  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_q^*$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  computes  $xyP$ . Let  $\sigma$  be a triple  $(Q_A, Q_{BC}, l)$  and  $\Sigma$  be a family of  $\sigma$ .

**Input:**  $\mathcal{B}$  picks  $(a, b, c) \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*3}$ , sets  $P_A = aP, P_B = bP, P_C = cP, P_{A'} = X, P_{B'} = Y$ , and inputs  $P_A, P_B, P_C, P_{A'}, P_{B'}, c$  to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**G-Queries:** For any query  $(m, \sigma, \omega) \in \{0, 1\}^* \times \Sigma \times \mathbb{H}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  checks whether  $e(\omega, P) = e(P_{A'}, P_{B'})$ . If it does,  $\mathcal{B}$  outputs  $\omega$  and halt. Else if there exist  $(m, \sigma, \omega, ch, 0, \perp)$  in G-List,  $\mathcal{B}$  return  $ch$ . Otherwise  $\mathcal{B}$  picks  $ch \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{H}$ , returns to  $\mathcal{A}$  and adds  $(m, \sigma, \omega, ch, 0, \perp)$  to G-List.

**DSign-Queries:** For any  $m$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  computes  $\sigma \leftarrow \text{DSign}(m)$  by using  $a$  and picks  $ch \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{H}$ . If there exists  $(m, \sigma, *, ch, 0, \perp)$  in G-List,  $\mathcal{B}$  abort the simulation. Otherwise  $\mathcal{B}$  returns  $(\sigma, ch)$  to  $\mathcal{A}$  and add  $(m, \sigma, \perp, ch, 1, \text{DSign})$  to G-List.

**TSim-Queries:** For any  $m$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  computes  $\sigma \leftarrow \text{TSim}(m)$  by using  $b$  and  $c$ , and picks  $ch \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{H}$ . If there exists  $(m, \sigma, *, ch, 0, \perp)$  in G-List,  $\mathcal{B}$  abort the simulation.  $\mathcal{B}$  picks  $ch \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{H}$  and returns  $(\sigma, ch)$  to  $\mathcal{A}$  and adds  $(m, \sigma, \perp, ch, 1, \text{TSim})$  to G-List.

**Distinction-Queries:** For any  $(m, \sigma, ch)$ , if an output of  $\text{Decision}(m, \sigma)$  is *reject*,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *invalid*. If there does not exist  $(m, \sigma, *, ch, *, *)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *invalid* and adds  $(m, \sigma, \perp, ch, 0, \perp)$ . Else if there exists  $(m, \sigma, *, ch, 1, \text{TSim})$  in G-List,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *invalid*. Otherwise  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *valid*.

The above simulation is perfectly indistinguishable from the real forgery unless the following events happen:

- The simulation is aborted in **DSign-Queries** or **TSim-Queries**. This happens with the probability at most  $(q_G + q_{\Upsilon})(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})2^{-4k}$  through the entire simulation.

If  $\mathcal{A}$  outputs the strong forgery  $(m^*, \sigma^*, ch^*)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  obtains  $(m^*, \sigma^*, \omega^*, ch^*, 0, \perp)$  in G-List and outputs  $\omega^*$ . If  $\mathcal{A}$  does not query to the G-List, then  $\mathcal{B}$  fails to solve CDH problem. This happens with the probability at most  $2^{-k}$ .

Thus, we obtain the following probability:

$$\epsilon' \geq \epsilon - \frac{(q_G + q_{\Upsilon})(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})}{2^{4k}} - \frac{1}{2^k}.$$

□

##### 4.4.2 Privacy of Signer's Identity

We will prove that PDVS scheme satisfies PSI in the random oracle model, assuming that GBDH is hard.

**Theorem 2 (Privacy of signer's identity)** For any PSI-CMA-adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ , in the random oracle model, with security parameter  $k$ , which has the success



probability  $\epsilon = \text{Succ}_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{psi-cma}(k)$ , and makes  $q_H$  and  $q_G$  queries to the random oracle,  $q_{\Sigma_S}$  queries to the original signing oracle,  $q_{\Sigma_T}$  queries to the dummy signing oracle,  $q_\Gamma$  queries to the Decision oracle,  $q_\Upsilon$  queries to the Distinction oracle, there exist an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  for GBDH which has the advantage  $\text{Succ}_{Gen, \mathcal{A}}^{gbdh}(k)$  upper-bounded by  $\epsilon'$  such that

$$\epsilon' \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2} - \frac{q_\Gamma + q_\Upsilon}{2^k} - \frac{(q_H + q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})}{2^k} - \frac{(q_G + q_\Upsilon)(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})}{2^{4k}}.$$

*Proof.* We construct  $\mathcal{B}$  which solves GBDH by using  $\mathcal{A}$ . Let  $(X, Y, Z)$  be inputs for  $\mathcal{B}$  where  $X = xP$ ,  $Y = yP$  and  $Z = zP$  in  $\mathbb{G}$  for uniformly random  $(x, y, z)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_q$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  computes  $e(P, P)^{xyz}$  by using DBDH oracle.

In order to simulate the environment of  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  performs as follows:

**Input:**  $\mathcal{B}$  picks  $\alpha \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ ,  $(a'_0, a'_1, b')$   $\xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*3}$ , sets  $P_{A_0} = X$ ,  $P_{A'_0} = a'_0P$ ,  $P_{A_1} = \alpha X$ ,  $P_{A'_1} = a'_1P$ ,  $P_B = Y$ ,  $P_{B'} = b'P$ ,  $P_C = Z$ , and inputs  $P_{A_0}$ ,  $P_{A'_0}$ ,  $P_{A_1}$ ,  $P_{A'_1}$ ,  $P_B$ ,  $P_{B'}$  and  $P_C$  to  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then we use  $i \in \{0, 1\}$ .

**H-Queries:** For any query  $(m, v) \in \{0, 1\}^* \times \mathbb{H}$

- $\mathcal{B}$  checks whether H-List includes a quadruple  $(m, v, \perp, M)$ . If it does,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns  $M$ .
- Else  $\mathcal{B}$  browses H-List and checks for all quadruple  $(m, \perp, l, M)$  whether  $v^{1/l} = e(P, P)^{xyz}$  by using DBDH oracle. If it does,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns  $M$ .
- Otherwise,  $\mathcal{B}$  picks  $M \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ , records  $(m, v, \perp, M)$  in H-List, and returns  $M$ .

**G-Queries:** For any query  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, \omega) \in \{0, 1\}^* \times \mathbb{H}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_q^* \times \mathbb{H}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  checks whether  $\omega = a'_i b'P$ . If it does and there exists  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, \omega, ch, 0, \perp)$  in G-List,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns  $ch$ . Otherwise  $\mathcal{B}$  picks  $ch \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{H}$ , returns to  $\mathcal{A}$  and adds  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, \omega, ch, 0, \perp)$  to G-List.

**DSign-Queries (resp. TSim-Queries):** For any  $m$ , whose signature is queried to  $\Sigma_{Si}$  (resp.  $\Sigma_{Ti}$ ) corresponding to Signer  $S_i$ , by either the adversary or the challenger,  $\mathcal{B}$  picks  $(q_A, q_B) \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^{*2}$ ,  $l \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ , and computes  $M = q_A \alpha^i P_{A_i} + q_B P_B$ , and sets  $Q_A = q_A \alpha^i P$  and  $Q_{BC} = q_B P$ .

- If H-List includes a quadruple  $(m, \perp, l \alpha^i, *)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  aborts the simulation,
- Else  $\mathcal{B}$  browses H-List and checks for each quadruple  $(m, v, \perp, M)$ , whether  $v^{1/l \alpha^i} = e(P, P)^{xyz}$  by using DBDH oracle. If it does,  $\mathcal{B}$  aborts the simulation.
- Otherwise  $\mathcal{B}$  adds the quadruple  $(m, \perp, l \alpha^i, M)$  to H-List and returns  $(Q_A, Q_{BC}, l)$ .

$\mathcal{B}$  picks  $ch \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{H}$ . If there exist  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, *, ch, 0, \perp)$  in G-List, abort the simulation. Otherwise return  $(Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, ch)$  to  $\mathcal{A}$  and add  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, \perp, ch, 1, DSign_i)$  (resp.  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, \perp, ch, 1, TSim_i)$ ) in G-List.

**DVerify-Queries:** For any inputs  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, ch, S_i)$ , the followings are queried

- $\mathcal{B}$  checks whether H-List includes a quadruple  $(m, *, *, M)$ . If it does not,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *reject*.
- If H-List includes a quadruple  $(m, \perp, l, M)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *accept* if  $e(Q_{A_i}, P_{A_i})e(Q_{BC}, P_B) = e(M, P)$ .
- If H-List includes a quadruple  $(m, v, \perp, M)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *accept* if both  $v^{1/l \alpha^i} = e(P, P)^{xyz}$  and  $e(Q_{A_i}, P_{A_i})e(Q_{BC}, P_B) = e(M, P)$ .

**Distinction-Queries:** For any  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, ch, S_i)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  checks whether  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, ch)$  is acceptable or not by performing the **DVerify-Queries**, if it does not, returns *invalid*. If there does not exist  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, *, ch, *, *)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *invalid* and adds  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, \perp, ch, 0, \perp)$ . Else if there exist  $(m, Q_A, Q_{BC}, l, *, ch, 1, TSim_i)$  in G-List, return *invalid*. Otherwise  $\mathcal{B}$  returns *valid*.

For  $m^*$  that  $\mathcal{A}$  outputs,  $\mathcal{B}$  picks  $i \xleftarrow{R} \{0, 1\}$  and generates  $\sigma^* = (Q_{A_i}^*, Q_{BC}^*, l^*, ch^*)$  by using the above **DSign-Queries** or **TSim-Queries** of  $S_i$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  returns  $\sigma^*$  to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

After receiving  $\sigma^*$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  outputs  $i'$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  obtains  $(m^*, v^*, \perp, M^*)$  in H-List and outputs  $C = v^{*1/l \alpha^{i'}}$ . Otherwise,  $\mathcal{B}$  outputs a random element of  $\mathbb{G}$ .

The above simulation is perfectly indistinguishable from the real attack unless the following events happen:

- The simulation aborts in **DSign-Queries** or **TSim-Queries**. This happens with the probability at most  $(q_H + q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})2^{-k} + (q_G + q_\Upsilon)(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})2^{-4k}$  through the entire simulation.
- The valid signature of  $m$ ,  $(Q_A, Q_{BC}, l)$ , was generated without querying  $(m, u^l)$  to  $H$  oracle, and was queried to  $\Gamma$  or  $\Upsilon$  oracle. Since  $H(m, u^l)$  is uniformly distributed, this happens with the probability at most  $(q_\Gamma + q_\Upsilon)2^{-k}$  through the entire simulation.

The signature  $\sigma^*$  provides  $\mathcal{A}$  no information about  $i$  if  $(m^*, v^*, \perp, M^*)$  was not

queried to H-Queries.  $ch^*$  is given by random oracle and does not depend on any secret keys. So  $ch^*$  also does not give any information of  $S_i$  to  $\mathcal{A}$ . Therefore, in this case  $\mathcal{A}$  succeeds with the probability  $1/2$

Thus, we obtain the following probability:

$$\epsilon' \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2} - \frac{q_{\Gamma} + q_{\Upsilon}}{2^k} - \frac{(q_H + q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})}{2^k} - \frac{(q_G + q_{\Upsilon})(q_{\Sigma_S} + q_{\Sigma_T})}{2^{4k}}.$$

□

#### 4.4.3 Source Hiding

We will show that PDVS satisfies SH.

**Theorem 3 (Source Hiding)** In the PDVS scheme we propose, the following expression holds.

$$Adv_{PDVS, \mathcal{A}}^{sh}(k) = 0.$$

*Proof.* We prove the following fact. Given public keys of  $P_A, P_{A'}, P_B, P_{B'}$  and  $P_C$ , secret keys of  $a, a', b, b'$  and  $c$ , arbitrary message  $m^*$ , and signature for  $m^*$ ,  $(Q_A^*, Q_{BC}^*, l^*, ch^*)$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  can not distinguish by which procedure of DSign or TSim  $(Q_A^*, Q_{BC}^*, l^*, ch^*)$  is generated.

For  $N \in \mathbb{G}$  in DSign and  $N' \in \mathbb{G}$  in TSim, there exists  $n, n' \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  such that  $N = nP, N' = n'P$ .

Using this arbitrary  $n$  and  $n'$ , we prove that  $Q_A, Q_{BC}, Q'_A$  and  $Q'_{BC}$  have the same distribution. Since  $r$  in DSign and  $r'$  in TSim are random values in  $\{1, \dots, q-1\}$ ,  $Q_{BC} = rP$  and  $Q'_A = r'P$  have the uniform distribution on the set  $\{P, \dots, (q-1)P\}$ .

Let  $f(r) := a^{-1}\{n - r(b+c)\}$ , then  $Q_A = a^{-1}(N - rP_{BC})$  describes  $Q_A = f(r) \cdot P$ . Since  $f(r)$  is bijective,  $f(r)$  has the uniform distribution on the set  $\{1, \dots, q-1\}$ . So  $Q_A$  has the uniform distribution on the set  $\{P, \dots, (q-1)P\}$ . Similarly, let  $f'(r') := (b+c)^{-1}(n' - r' \cdot a)$ , then  $Q'_{BC} = a^{-1}(N - r'P_A)$  describes  $Q'_{BC} = f'(r') \cdot P$ . Since  $f'(r')$  is bijective,  $f'(r')$  has the uniform distribution on the set  $\{1, \dots, q-1\}$ . So  $Q'_{BC}$  has the uniform distribution on the set  $\{P, \dots, (q-1)P\}$ . Therefore  $Q_A, Q_{BC}, Q'_A$  and  $Q'_{BC}$  have the same distribution. Moreover values of  $Q_A, Q_{BC}, Q'_A$  and  $Q'_{BC}$  depend on a random values  $r$  or  $r'$ . Hence, it is not distinguished whether a triple  $Q_A^*, Q_{BC}^*, l^*$  is generated by DSign or TSim. Besides,  $ch^* = G(m^*, Q_A^*, Q_{BC}^*, l^*, a'P_{B'}) = G(m^*, Q_A^*, Q_{BC}^*, l^*, b'P_{A'})$ , so it is

also not distinguished whether  $ch^*$  is generated by DSign or TSim.

Therefore even if the values of all secret keys  $a, a', b, b'$  and  $c$  are revealed, it is not distinguished whether a signature is generated by DSign or TSim procedures. □

#### 4.4.4 Non-coincidental Property

We will show that PDVS satisfies NCP.

We consider the probability that  $\sigma = \sigma'$  where  $\sigma \leftarrow \text{DSign}(m, SKs, PKv), \sigma' \leftarrow \text{TSim}(m, SKv, SKp, PKs)$  in the random oracle model. We represent an original signature as  $\sigma = (Q_A, Q_{BC}, l)$  and a dummy signature as  $\sigma' = (Q'_A, Q'_{BC}, l')$ . We also denote that  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  is a random string the signer selects and  $r' \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  is a random string the verifier selects.  $\Pr[\sigma = \sigma'] = \Pr[l = l'] \cdot \Pr[Q_A, Q_{BC} = Q'_A, Q'_{BC} | l = l'] = (q-1)^{-2}$ . Hence,  $\Pr[\sigma = \sigma']$  is negligible.

## 5. Conclusions

In this paper, we proposed the concept and definitions of the PDVS that allows a verifier to delegate some computational cost of the verification to the proxy. We defined new security requirements for the PDVS, and proposed a concrete PDVS scheme. Finally we proved that our PDVS scheme satisfies all security requirements for the PDVS under CDH and GBDH assumptions.

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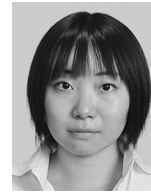
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