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# Framework of Threshold Signature Scheme

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# 1 DISTRIBUTED KEY GENERATION

**Distributed key generation** (Abbrev. DKG) is a cryptographic process in which multiple parties participate to the calculation of a shared public and a private key set. The main merit of distributed key generation is not rely necessarily on trusted third parties. Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be an elliptic curve group with order  $N_{\mathcal{G}}$  and  $G$  be a fixed point of  $\mathcal{G}$ . In our implementation, the threshold  $t$ , the number of total participants  $n$ , and the level  $n_i$  of each participants  $\mathcal{P}_i$  are determined before someone performs the following DKG protocol:

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## Algorithm 1 Distributed Key Generation

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**Input:** positive integers  $t, n$  and a non-negative integer  $n_i$ .

**Output:** two sets of positive integers  $\{n_i\}_{i=1}^n, \{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$ , a share  $s_i$ , and the unique corresponding public Key  $P$ .

- 1: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. randomly chooses  $x$ -coordinate  $x_i \in [1, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$ , and  $\{u_{i,j}\}_{j=1}^{t-1} \in [0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$  (i.e.  $f_i(x) := \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} u_{i,j} x^j$ ).
    - b. computes  $u_{i,0} \cdot G$  and hash commitment  $[\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i] = H(u_{i,0} \cdot G)$ . Here  $H$  is a crypto-hash function.
    - c. broadcasts  $x$ -coordinate  $x_i$ , the level  $n_i$ , and the hash commitment  $\mathcal{C}_i$ .
  - 2: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. computes the associated Birkhoff coefficient  $w_i$  and Feldman's commitment  $F_{i,j} := u_{i,j} \cdot G$ .
    - b. broadcasts own decommitment  $\mathcal{D}_i$  and Feldman's commitment  $F_{i,j}$ .
  - 3: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the decommitment  $\mathcal{D}_i$ .
    - b. computes the values  $f_i^{(n_k)}(x_k)$  for all  $1 \leq k \leq n$ .
    - c. sends the value  $f_i^{(n_k)}(x_k)$  to the participant  $\mathcal{P}_k$ .
  - 4: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the Feldman commitment for  $f_k^{(n_i)}(x_i)$  for all  $1 \leq k \neq i \leq n$ .
    - b. computes the public key  $\sum_{i=1}^n u_{i,0} \cdot G$ , the own share  $s_i := \sum_k f_k^{(n_i)}(x_i)$ , the point  $s_i \cdot G$  and Schnorr's proof of  $s_i \cdot G$ .
    - c. broadcasts  $s_i \cdot G$  and Schnorr's proof of  $s_i \cdot G$ .
  - 5: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the Schnorr's proof of  $s_k \cdot G$  for all  $1 \leq k \neq i \leq n$  and the Public key is given by  $\sum_{k=1}^n w_k \cdot (s_k \cdot G) = \sum_{k=1}^n u_{k,0} \cdot G$ .
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## 2 THRESHOLD SIGNATURE

A  $(t, n)$ -threshold signature scheme is a digital signature scheme where any  $t$  or more signers of a group of  $n$  signers can produce signatures.

### 2.1 HIERARCHICAL THRESHOLD SIGNATURE

This implementation is sign protocols in [section 4.2 GG18](#) or [Section 3.3: Signing](#). Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be an elliptic curve group with order  $N_{\mathcal{G}}$  and  $G$  be a fixed point of  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let  $S \subset [1..n]$  be the set of players participating in the signature protocol. We assume that  $|S| \geq t$ . We note that using the appropriate Birkhoff coefficients  $b_{i,S}$  each player in  $S$  can locally map its own  $(t, n)$  share  $s_i$  of the private key into a  $(t, |S|)$  share of  $x$ ,  $w_i = (b_{i,S})(x_i)$ .

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#### Algorithm 2 Sign: Part 1

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**Input:** a Hash message  $m$ , a threshold  $t$ , the share  $w_i$ , the public Key  $P$ , a set of levels  $\{n_i\}_{i=1}^n$  and a set of  $x$ -coordinates  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$ .

**Output:**  $(r, s)$  or  $\perp$ .

- 1: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. generates a private Key and the associated public Key  $P_i$  of a given homomorphic scheme.
    - b. randomly chooses  $k_i$  and  $a_i \in [0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$ .
    - c. computes the proof of the public key for  $P_i$ .
    - d. computes hash commitment  $[\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i] = \text{Hash}(a_i \cdot G)$ .
    - e. broadcasts the digest  $\mathcal{C}_i$ , the public Key  $P_i$ , and the proof of  $P_i$ . In Paillier case, the proof is the integer factorization for  $P_i$ . In CL scheme case, the proof is Schnorr's proof.
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**Algorithm 3** Sign: Part 2

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- 2: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the proof of publicKey  $P_i$ .
    - b. run MtA with inputs  $a = k_i$  and  $b = a_i$  to get  $\alpha_{i,j}$  and  $\beta_{i,j}$ , and MtA with check with inputs  $a = k_i$  and  $b = w_i$  to get  $v_{i,j}$  and  $\mu_{i,j}$ .
    - c. computes  $\delta_i := k_i a_i + \sum_{j,j \neq i} \alpha_{i,j} + \sum_{j,j \neq i} \beta_{j,i} \mod N_{\mathcal{G}}$  and  $s_i := k_i w_i + \sum_{j,j \neq i} v_{i,j} + \sum_{j,j \neq i} \mu_{j,i} \mod N_{\mathcal{G}}$ .
    - d. broadcasts  $\delta_i$ .
  - 3: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. computes  $\delta := \sum_i \delta_i$  and  $\delta^{-1} \mod N_{\mathcal{G}}$  and Schnorr's proof of  $a_i$ .
    - b. broadcasts Schnorr's proof for  $a_i$  and the decommitment  $\mathcal{D}_i$ .
  - 4: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the decommitment  $\mathcal{D}_i$  and Schnorr's proof for  $a_i$ .
    - b. computes  $R = (R_x, R_y) := \delta^{-1} \cdot (\sum_i a_i \cdot G)$ . If  $R$  is the identity element, then stop.
    - c. computes  $\tilde{s}_i := \sum_i R_x s_i + m k_i$ .
    - d. randomly chooses  $\ell_i$ , and  $\rho_i \in [0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$ .
    - e. computes  $V_i := \tilde{s}_i \cdot R + \ell_i \cdot G$ , and  $A_i := \rho_i \cdot G$  and hash commitment  $[\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i] := \text{Hash}(V_i, A_i)$ .
    - f. broadcasts the digest  $\mathcal{C}_i$ .
  - 5: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. computes Schnorr's proof for  $\rho_i$  and Schnorr's proof for  $\tilde{s}_i$  and  $\ell_i$ .
    - b. broadcasts the decommitment  $\mathcal{D}_i$  and the above two Schnorr's proofs.
  - 6: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the decommitment  $\mathcal{D}_i$ , and Schnorr's proof for  $\rho_i$  and Schnorr's proof for  $\tilde{s}_i$  and  $\ell_i$ .
    - b. computes  $V := (-m) \cdot G + (-R_x) \cdot P + \sum_i V_i$ ,  $A := \sum_i A_i$ ,  $U_i := \rho_i \cdot A$ ,  $T_i := \ell_i \cdot A$  and hash commitment  $[\mathcal{C}_i, \mathbb{D}_i] := \text{Hash}(U_i, T_i)$ .
    - c. broadcasts  $\mathbb{C}_i$ .
  - 7: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the decommitment  $\mathbb{D}_i$  and  $\sum_i U_i = \sum_i T_i$ .
    - b. broadcasts  $\tilde{s}_i$ .
  - 8: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. computes  $s := \sum_i \tilde{s}_i$ . If  $s = 0$ , then stop.
    - b. verifies that the signature  $(r, s)$  is correct with input  $m$ , and the public key  $P$ .
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## 2.2 MULTIPLICATION TO ADDITION

In this subsection, we introduce two MtA protocols: one appears in section 3 [A share conversion protocol] in [GG18](#) and another appears in [Section 3.3: Signing](#). The goal of two protocols permits that Alice(resp. Bob) has own input  $a$ (resp.  $b$ ) such that they get  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  respectively with  $ab = \alpha + \beta$  in a certain field eventually. Meanwhile, Alice(resp. Bob) can not learn any knowledge of  $b$  and  $\beta$  (resp.  $a$  and  $\alpha$ ). For achieving this goal, homomorphic encryption schemes plays an important role.

### 2.2.1 PAILLIER'S MTA

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**Algorithm 4** Paillier's Multiplication to Addition (with check).

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**Input:** Alice's secret  $a \in [0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$  and Bob's secret  $b \in [0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$ .

**Output:** Alice gets  $\alpha$  and Bob gets  $\beta$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = a \cdot b \pmod{N_{\mathcal{G}}}$ .

- 1: Alice initiates the protocol by
    - a. sending  $c_A = E_A(a)$ .
  - 2: Bob computes  $c_B = b \times_E c_A +_E E_A(\beta')$ , where  $\beta'$  is chosen uniformly at random in  $[0, N_{\text{Pai}} - (N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1)^2]$ . And set  $\beta = -\beta' \pmod{N_{\mathcal{G}}}$ .
    - a. send  $c_B$  to Alice.
    - b. (with check) run Schnorr's non-Interactive protocol for  $b \cdot G$ .
  - 3: Alice
    - a. (with check) verifies Schnorr's proof of  $b \cdot G$ .
    - b. decrypts  $c_B$  to obtain  $\alpha'$  and sets  $\alpha = \alpha' \pmod{N_{\mathcal{G}}}$ .
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### 2.2.2 MTA OF CL SCHEME

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**Algorithm 5** CL Multiplication to Addition (with check).

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**Input:** Alice's secret  $a \in [0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$  and Bob's secret  $b \in [0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$ .

**Output:** Alice gets  $\alpha$  and Bob gets  $\beta$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = a \cdot b \mod N_{\mathcal{G}}$ .

- 1: Alice initiates the protocol by
    - a. sending  $c_A = E_A(a)$ .
    - b. (with check) computing the associated proof  $proof(c_A)$ .
  - 2: Bob computes  $c_B = b \times_E c_A +_E E_A(\beta')$ , where  $\beta'$  is chosen uniformly at random in  $[0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$ . And set  $\beta = -\beta' \mod N_{\mathcal{G}}$ .
    - a. (with check) Verify that the  $proof(c_A)$  is correct form.
    - b. send  $c_B$  to Alice.
    - c. (with check) send  $G_\beta := \beta \cdot G$  and  $G_b := b \cdot G$ .
  - 3: Alice
    - a. decrypts  $c_B$  to obtain  $\alpha'$  and sets  $\alpha = \alpha' \mod N_{\mathcal{G}}$ .
    - b. (with check) verifies  $\alpha \cdot G + G_\beta = a \cdot G_b$ .
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### 3 RESHARE

Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be an elliptic curve group with order  $N_{\mathcal{G}}$  and  $G$  be a fixed point of  $\mathcal{G}$ . In our implementation, the threshold  $t$ , the number of total participants  $n$ , and the level  $n_i$  of each participants  $\mathcal{P}_i$  have been determined. The following implementation of resharing is the standard algorithm:

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**Algorithm 6** Reshare

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**Input:** a threshold  $t$ , the public Key  $P$ , a set of levels  $\{n_i\}_{i=1}^n$ , a set of  $x$ -coordinate  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$  and a share  $s_i$ .

**Output:** a new share  $\tilde{s}_i$

- 1: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. randomly chooses  $u_{i,0} = 0$ , and  $\{u_{i,j}\}_{j=1}^{t-1} \in [0, N_{\mathcal{G}} - 1]$  (i.e.  $f_i(x) := \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} u_{i,j} x^j$ ).
    - b. computes Birkhoff coefficient  $w_i$  and Feldman's commitment  $F_{i,j} := u_{i,j} \cdot G$ .
    - c. broadcasts the Feldman's commitments  $F_{i,j}$ .
  - 2: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. computes the values  $f_i^{(n_k)}(x_k)$  for all  $1 \leq k \leq n$ .
    - b. sends the value  $f_i^{(n_k)}(x_k)$  to the participant  $\mathcal{P}_k$ .
  - 3: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the Feldman commitment for  $f_k^{(n_i)}(x_i)$  for all  $1 \leq k \neq i \leq n$ .
    - b. computes the new share  $\tilde{s}_i := s_i + \sum_k f_k^{(n_i)}(x_i)$ , the point  $\tilde{s}_i \cdot G$ , and Schnorr's proof of  $\tilde{s}_i \cdot G$ .
    - c. broadcasts  $\tilde{s}_i \cdot G$  and Schnorr's proof of  $\tilde{s}_i \cdot G$ .
  - 4: Each participant  $\mathcal{P}_i$ 
    - a. verifies the Schnorr's proof of  $\tilde{s}_k \cdot G$  for all  $1 \leq k \neq i \leq n$  and the Public key is given by  $P = \sum_{k=1}^n w_k \cdot (\tilde{s}_k \cdot G)$ .
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