

1 Background

Below we outline commonly used parameters. The notation makes use of exponential Elgamal

1. $H()$: cryptographic hash function
2. G : generator point
3. *Alice*: a user who at a later point becomes infected.
4. *Bob*: a healthy user who wants to perform set intersection with the uploaded data set.
5. p_i : *Alice's* location data
6. b_k : *Bob's* location data
7. s_i : a set of servers holding encrypted trajectory data
8. $y, y1, y2$: ephemeral secrets

2 Server Setup

Each server s_i generates a private,public key pair r_i, G^{r_i} and server key $Q_{\text{servers}} = G^{\prod_i r_i}$ generated through a multiparty Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange protocol and publishes the public keys:

$$G^{r_i}, Q_{\text{servers}}$$

3 Background Mode and Upload

Alice initializes an ephemeral secret $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, and actively in the background collects her location data p_i and proceeds to hash with $H()$ and encrypts the point with the server shared key Q_{servers} as:

$$Q^{xH(p_i)}$$

During the upload phase, Alice selects any number of servers s_i to upload the data:

$$G^x, D = \{Q^{xH(p_i)}, \dots\}$$

The set intersection does not require interaction with Alice, thus she may go offline after the upload. To further safeguard Alice, she may dispose of the secret x after storing G^x, Q^x .

4 Query and Compare

We now describe the interactive protocol phases: $Phase_{source \rightarrow destination}$ between *Bob* and $s_i : i = 2$ to perform set intersection. Let: $y, y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$. *Bob* retrieves $[G^{x_j}, D_j] \forall j$ infected persons from s_i . Let b_k : *Bobs* location data

Bob generates ephemeral secret y and calculates

$$Phase_{Bob \rightarrow s_1} = G^{xyH(b)} \quad (1)$$

s_1 generates an ephemeral key y_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} Phase_{s_1 \rightarrow Bob} &= [Phase_{Bob \rightarrow s_1}^{r_1+y_1}, H(G^{r_2 y_1})] \\ &= [G^{xyH(b)r_1+y_1}, H(G^{r_2 y_1})] \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Bob relays $Phase_{s_1 \rightarrow Bob}$ to s_2 . s_2 generates an ephemeral key y_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} Phase_{s_2 \rightarrow Bob} &= [Phase_{s_1 \rightarrow Bob}^{r_2+y_2}, H(G^{y_2})] \\ &= [G^{(xyH(b)r_1+y_1)r_2+y_2}, H(G^{y_2})] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Bob calculates:

$$\begin{aligned} Result_{Bob} &= Phase_{s_2 \rightarrow Bob} - D^y \\ &= G^{(xyH(b)r_1+y_1)r_2+y_2} - G^{xH(p)r_1 r_2 y} \\ &= G^{xyH(b)r_1 r_2} + G^{y_1 r_2} + G^{y_2} - G^{xH(p)r_1 r_2 y} \\ &= G^{y_1 r_2} + G^{y_2}, H(b) \iff H(p) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Bob can now check the results of the set intersection against $s_1 || s_2$

$$\begin{aligned} Result_{s_1 \rightarrow Bob} &= H(Result_{Bob} - G^{r_2 y_1}) \\ &= H(G^{y_2}) \end{aligned}$$

or,

$$\begin{aligned} Result_{s_2 \rightarrow Bob} &= H(Result_{Bob} - G^{y_2}) \\ &= H(G^{r_2 y_1}) \end{aligned}$$

The returned result will equal the hash of (2) or (3), $H(b) \iff H(p)$

5 Analysis

The scheme preserves privacy of trajectory data for any permutation of colluding servers s_i and users u_k as long as 1 server remains honest.

//TODO: communication complexity discussion and batching

6 Data Bond

We can further harden collusion resistance by introducing economic incentives. Every Server that participates in the network places a bond in a smart-contract escrow and signs it with its private key r_i using ECDSA.

If s_i leaks its private key: r_i , the entity which obtains the key may claim the funds by signing a destination address with r_i , thus unlocking the funds in the smart contract to an address controlled by the user. More so, given a high enough economic incentive, other servers will prefer claiming the data bond over collusion.

//TODO: present Ethereum smart-contract to accomplish this

7 Source Code

Github:Protocol-POC