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**ABSTRACT** Remote user authentication schemes provide a system to verify the legitimacy of remote users' authentication request over insecure communication channel. In last years, many authentication schemes using password and smart card have been proposed. However, password might be revealed or forgotten and smart card might be shared, lost or stolen. In contrast, the biometrics, such as face, fingerprint or iris, have no such weakness. With the trend of mobile payment, more and more applications of mobile payment use biometrics to replace password and smart card. In this paper, we propose a biometric-based remote authentication scheme substituting biometric and mobile device bounded by user for password and smart card. This scheme is more convenient, suitable and securer than the schemes using smart cards on mobile payment environment.

**INDEX TERMS** Mutual Authentication, Biometric, Remote Authentication scheme,

## I. INTRODUCTION

With the rapid development of wireless communication networks and e-commerce applications, such as e-banking, mobile payment and other transaction-oriented services, there is a growing demand to protect user's credentials privacy. In the recent decades, more and more transactions for mobile devices have been implemented on the internet or wireless network due to the portability property of mobile devices, such as laptops, tablet computers, smart phones and smart watches.

The traditional remote authentication schemes are based on password such as [1] [2] [3]. In order to enhance the security, some schemes add additional factors such as a smart card [4] [5] [6]. Reliability of biometric identification over traditional password-based user authentication gives rise to biometric-based user authentication schemes [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12].

More and more authentication systems use biometrics to be the key. The biometrics is the measurement and statistical analysis of people's physical and behavioral characteristics. The biometrics of physiological characteristics are face, iris,

fingerprint, ear, voice, palm print, etc. The biometrics of behavioral characteristics are gait, signature, keystrokes, etc. Compare with traditional secrets such as passwords, biometric-based secrets have many advantages. Several advantages are described as follows [12]:

- It is difficult to lose or forget biometric keys.
- It is difficult to copy or share biometric keys.
- It is difficult to forge or distribute biometrics.
- It is difficult to guess biometric keys.
- It is more difficult to break biometric keys.

Accordingly, biometrics-based authentication is inherently more reliable than traditional password-based authentication. In 2010, Li and Hwang [7] proposed a biometrics-based remote user authentication scheme using smart cards. In their scheme, they substituted nonce for the use of time synchronization. In 2011, Das et al. [8] analyzed Li and Hwang's scheme and point out the security drawbacks. Subsequently, they proposed an efficient remote user authentication scheme to overcome the weaknesses of Li and Hwang's scheme. In 2012, An et al. [9] analyzed Das et al.'s scheme and showed that it was still vulnerable to the various

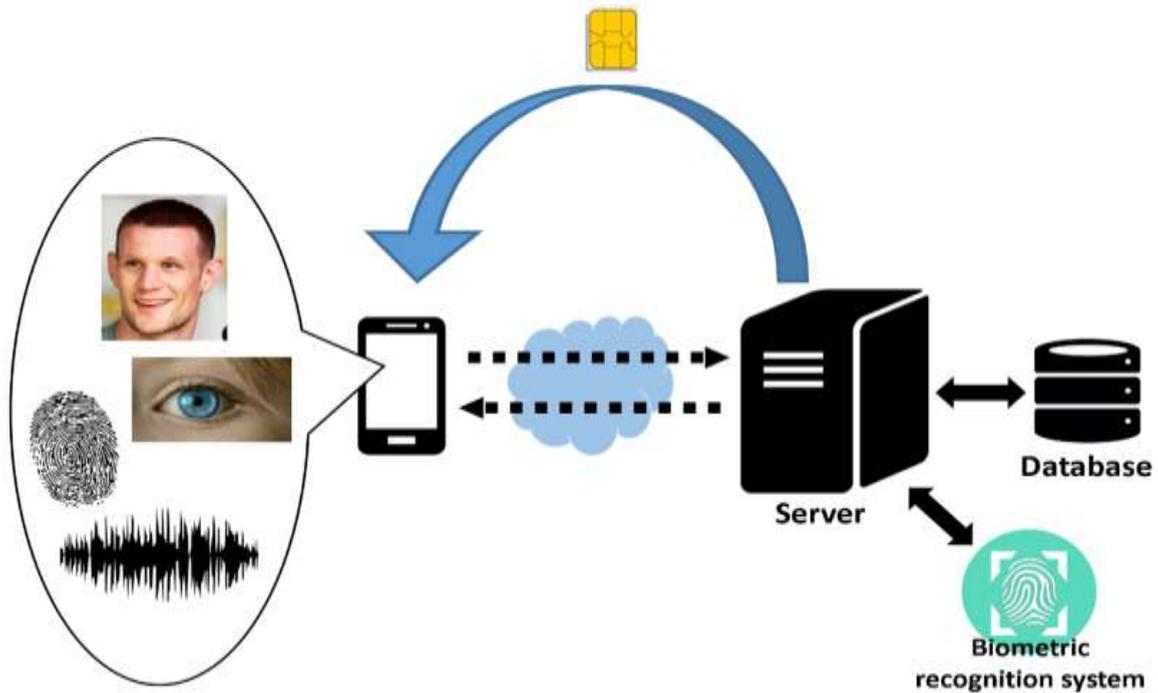


Figure 1. Architecture

attacks and does not provide mutual authentication between the user and the server. An et al. proposed a scheme to remove the security problems found in Das et al.'s scheme. In 2013, Khan et al. [10] show that An et al.'s scheme is vulnerable to the security problems to which Das et al.'s scheme is susceptible to online and offline password guessing attacks, user and server impersonation attacks, lack of mutual authentication, and lack of user anonymity. Khan et al. remove drawbacks from An et al.'s scheme by means of proposing an improved user authentication scheme.

Nowadays people are increasingly relying on mobile devices, so the mobile payment will be the trend in the nearly future. The payment by using smart cards is less convenient than mobile payment. The current mobile payments such as Alipay and Apple Pay adopt virtual currency or credit cards. Users using mobile payment need to store the credit card numbers in their mobile devices. If a thief knows the credit card number, he can complete fraudulent transaction. Any time you use your credit card you are making your card number available to everyone who is involved in the transaction, from the sales clerk to the billing staff of the creditor. In this paper, we proposed a new remote user authentication scheme. The architecture is shown in Fig. 1. The mobile device uses the camera, microphone, fingerprint reader or other devices to get the user's biometric features like face, iris, fingerprint, voice, etc. The server stores the user's information and biometric file in the server's database. The biometric is verified by server and we substitute bounding with mobile devices for smart cards. The user only completes transaction by the bounding device.

This paper is organized as follows: Section II gives some background of advanced encryption standard (AES) and one-way hash function. Section III describes our new biometric

based remote user authentication scheme. Section IV and V are about security analysis and implement result. Finally, a conclusion is offered in Section VI.

## II. RELATED TECHNOLOGY

### A. ADVANCED ENCRYPTION STANDARD

The Advanced Encryption Standard is a specification for the encryption of electronic data established by the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in 2001 [13]. AES is based on the Rijndael cipher [14] developed by Joan Daemen and Vincent Rijmen. NIST selected three different

key sizes from Rijndael cipher, each with a block size of 128 bits. The three distinct key sizes are 128, 192 and 256 bits. AES operates on a 4x4 column-major order matrix of bytes and has the following property.

- AES can be applied to a file of all sizes and types.
- AES is a symmetric-key algorithm.
- AES is based on a design principle known as a substitution-permutation network and it is fast in both software and hardware

The key size used for an AES cipher specifies the number of repetitions of transformation rounds. AES executes 10, 12 and 14 cycles of repetition for the key size of 128, 192 and 256 bits respectively. Every cycle consists of several processing steps. There are four main steps, which are *SubBytes*, *ShiftRows*, *MixColumns* and *AddRoundKey*. In the *SubBytes* step, each byte in the state matrix is replaced with a byte using a substitution box, the Rijndael S-box. The S-box is derived from the multiplicative inverse over  $GF(2^8)$ . The *ShiftRows* operates on the rows of the state. It cyclically shifts

the bytes in each row by a certain offset. The first row is left unchanged and each byte of the second row is shifted one to left. Similarly, the third and fourth rows are shifted by offset of two and three respectively. The  $n$ -th row is shifted left circular by  $n - 1$  bytes. In the **MixColumns** step, the four bytes of column of the state are combined using an invertible linear transformation. During this operation, each column is transformed using a fixed matrix. In the **AddRoundKey** step, the subkey is combined with the state. For each round, a subkey is derived from the main key using Rijndael key schedule. The subkey is added by combining each byte of the state with the corresponding byte of the subkey using bitwise XOR. The procedure of AES can be divided into four steps, **KeyExpansions**, **InitialRound**, **Rounds** and **FinalRound**. In the **KeyExpansions**, round keys are derived from the cipher key using Rijndael key schedule. The InitialRound execute **AddRoundKey**. The Rounds sequential executes **SubBytes**, **ShiftRows**, **MixColumns** and **AddRoundKey**. The Final Round sequential executes **SubBytes**, **ShiftRows** and **AddRoundKey**.

## B. ONE-WAY HASH FUNCTION

A one-way collision-resistant hash function  $h$  takes an input as arbitrary length binary string  $x \in \{0, 1\}^*$  and outputs a binary string  $h(x) \in \{0, 1\}^n$  of fixed-length  $n$ . The hash function may be the fingerprint of a file, a message, or other data block, and has the following attribute [11].

- Hash function can be applied to a data block of all sizes.
- For any given  $x$ , it is easy to compute the message digest  $h(x)$ . Its implementation in software and hardware is simple.
- The output length of the message digest  $h(x)$  is fixed.
- Deriving the input  $x$  from the given hash value  $y = h(x)$  and the given hash function  $y = h(\cdot)$  is computationally infeasible. This property is called the one-way property.
- For any given input  $x$ , finding any other input  $y \neq x$  so that  $h(y) = h(x)$  is computationally infeasible. This property is referred to as weak-collision resistant property.
- Finding a pair of input  $(x, y)$ , with  $x \neq y$ , so that  $h(x) = h(y)$  is computationally infeasible. This property is referred to as strong-collision resistant property.

## III. NEW BIOMETRIC-BASED AUTHENTICATION SCHEME

In this section, we give the detail of our remote authentication scheme. There are four phases in the proposed scheme, which are registration phase, authentication phase, password change phase and UUID change phase. The notations used throughout this paper are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. Notation

Notation	Description
$U_i$	The $i$ -th user
$S_j$	The $j$ -the server

$ID_i$	The identity of $U_i$
$PW_i$	The password of $U_i$
$UUID_i$	UUID of the user $U_i$ 's mobile device
$SID_j$	The identity of the smart card
$B_i$	The biometric template of $U_i$
$PSK$	Pre-shared key of servers
$N_u$	A random nonce chosen by $U_i$
$N_s$	A random nonce chosen by $S_j$
$h(\cdot)$	A secure one-way hash function
$AES.E(\cdot)$	Encryption of Advanced Encryption Standard
$AES.D(\cdot)$	Decryption of Advanced Encryption Standard
$\oplus$	The bitwise XOR operation
$\parallel$	The concatenation operation

### A. REGISTRATION PHASE

In this phase,  $U_i$  sends the registration request to  $S_j$ . Then  $U_i$  inputs user's information and biometric template to accomplish the registration. As shown in Fig. 2, the detail of the phase is presented as follows:

- 1)  $U_i$  gets a smart card from the service provider through a secure channel (e.g. in person). Each smart card has a unique identification  $SID_j$  and a nonce  $N_s$  which is encrypted and recorded in the service provider's database. When a smart card is activated, it generates a nonce  $N_s$  and computes  $M_1 = h(SID_j) \oplus N_s$  and stores  $M_1$  in EEPROM.
- 2) After getting message  $\{M_1\}$ ,  $U_i$  computes  $M_2 = M_1 \oplus h(SID_j)$  to get  $N_s$  from the smart card. Then  $U_i$  chooses his identity  $ID_i$ , password  $PW_i$ , device UUID  $UUID_i$  and personal biometric file  $B_i$ . Next  $U_i$  encrypts user's information by computing  $M_3 = h(ID_i) \oplus M_2$ ,  $M_4 = h(PW_i) \oplus M_2$ ,  $M_5 = h(UUID_i) \oplus M_2$  and  $f$ . The  $f$  is the AES encryption of  $B_i$  and the key of AES is  $h(UUID_i)$ . Final  $U_i$  sends the message  $\{M_3, M_4, M_5, f\}$  to  $S_j$ .
- 3) After receiving message  $\{M_3, M_4, M_5, f\}$ ,  $S_j$  computes  $M_6 = M_3 \oplus N_s$ ,  $M_7 = M_4 \oplus N_s$ ,  $M_8 = M_5 \oplus N_s$  and  $B_i$ . The  $B_i$  is the AES decryption of  $f$  and the key is  $M_8$ . Then,  $S_j$  stores the user's registration information  $\{M_6, M_7, M_8, B_i\}$  in  $S_j$ . Next,  $S_j$  computes  $M_9 = PSK \oplus h(M_6 \parallel M_8)$  and sends message  $\{M_9\}$  to  $U_i$ . Finally,  $U_i$  stores message  $\{M_9\}$  in user's device.

### B. AUTHENTICATION PHASE

In this phase,  $U_i$  and  $S_j$  generate nonce ( $N_u, N_s$ ) for mutual authentication. After mutual authentication completes,  $U_i$  encrypts biometric template by AES encryption. As shown in Fig. 3, the detail of the phase is presented as follows:

- 1)  $U_i$  inputs his  $ID_i$  and get the  $UUID_i$  from user's device. Then  $U_i$  computes  $M_{10} = h(ID_i) \parallel h(UUID_i)$ ,  $PSK = M_9 \oplus h(M_{10})$ ,  $M_{11} = h(ID_i) \oplus h(SID_j \parallel PSK)$ ,  $M_{12} = h(M_{10}) \oplus N_u$  and  $M_{13} = h(N_u)$ . Final  $U_i$  sends the message  $\{M_{11}, M_{12}, M_{13}\}$  to server  $S_j$ .

- 2) After receiving message  $\{M_{11}, M_{12}, M_{13}\}$ ,  $S_j$  computes  $M_{14} = M_{11} \oplus h(SID_j || PSK)$ . Then  $S_j$  compares  $M_{14}$  with  $M_6 = h(ID_i)$  stored in server. If it does not match,  $S_j$  rejects the session, otherwise,  $S_j$  can make sure the authentication user  $U_i$  and computes  $M_{15} = M_6 || M_8$  and  $M_{16} = M_{12} \oplus h(M_{15})$ .  $S_j$  checks if  $h(M_{16})$  and  $M_{13}$  are equal. If they are not equal,  $S_j$  rejects the session, otherwise,  $S_j$  generates a nonce  $N_s$  and computes  $M_{17} = h(M_{15} || M_{16}) \oplus N_s$  and  $M_{18} = h(N_s)$ . Final  $S_j$  sends the message  $\{M_{17}, M_{18}\}$  to  $U_i$ .
- 3) After receiving message  $\{M_{17}, M_{18}\}$ ,  $U_i$  computes  $M_{19} = M_{17} \oplus h(M_{10} || N_u)$ . Then  $U_i$  checks whether  $h(M_{19})$  and  $M_{18}$  are equal. If they are not equal,  $U_i$  rejects the

session, otherwise,  $U_i$  inputs his biometric file  $B_i$  and computes  $M_{20} = h(N_u || M_{19})$  and  $f$ . The  $f$  is AES encryption of  $B_i$  and the key of AES is  $h(UUID_i) \oplus M_{19}$ . Final  $U_i$  sends message  $\{M_{20}, f\}$  to  $S_j$ .

- 4) After receiving message  $\{M_{20}, f\}$ ,  $S_j$  computes  $M_{21} = h(M_{16} || R_s)$ . Then  $S_j$  check if  $M_{20}$  and  $M_{21}$  are equal. If they are not equal,  $S_j$  rejects the session, otherwise, the user passes the authentication and the mutual authentication completes. Then  $S_j$  gets the  $B_c = AES.D(f)$  and the key of AES is  $M_{19} \oplus h(UUID_i)$ . Finally,  $S_j$  recognizes the user by using a recognition system to compare  $B_c$  with  $B_i$ . If  $B_c$  and  $B_i$  are matched,  $S_j$  confirms that  $U_i$  is a legal user, otherwise,  $S_j$  stops the session.

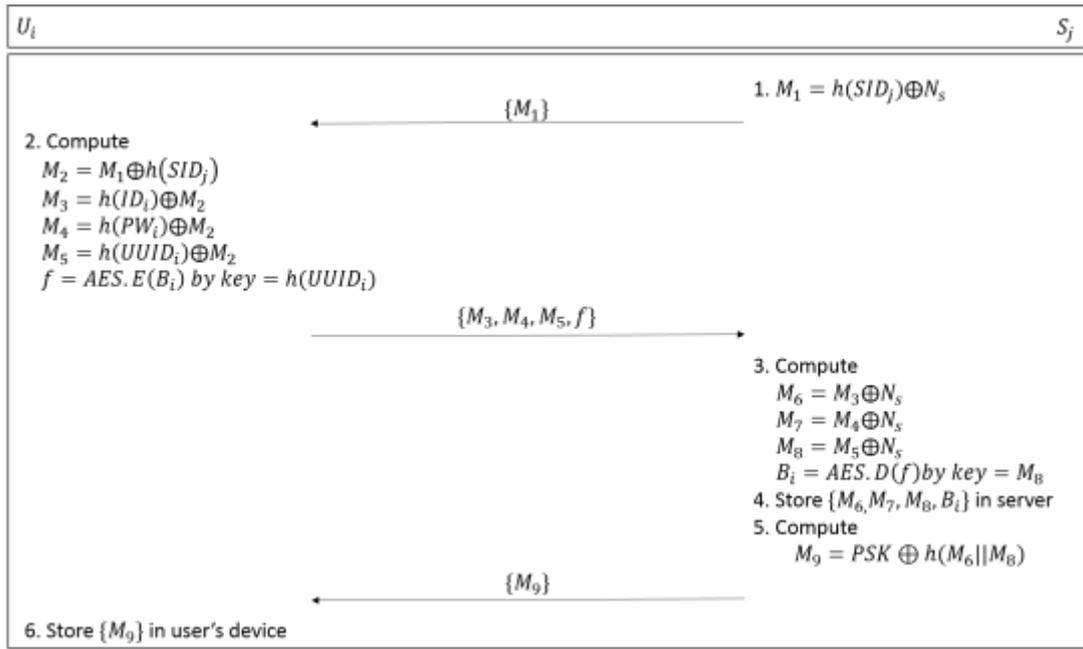


Figure 2. Registration phase

### C. PASSWORD CHANGE PHASE

In this phase,  $U_i$  could change the old password  $PW^{old_i}$  to the new password  $PW^{new_i}$ . The detail of this phase is illustrated as figure 4 and is presented as follows:

- 1) The  $U_i$  sends the password-change request to  $S_j$ . Then  $S_j$  computes  $M_{22} = h(SID_j || PSK) \oplus N_s$ . Finally,  $S_j$  sends the message  $M_{22}$  to  $U_i$ .
- 2) After receiving message  $M_{22}$ ,  $U_i$  computes  $M_{23} = M_{22} \oplus h(SID_j || PSK)$ ,  $M_{24} = h(ID_i) \oplus h(SID_j || PSK || M_{24})$ ,  $M_{25} = h(PW^{old_i}) \oplus h(PW^{new_i}) \oplus h(h(ID_i) || h(UUID_i) || M_{23})$  and  $f$ . The  $f$  is the AES encryption of  $B_i$  and the key of AES is  $h(PW^{old_i}) \oplus h(PW^{new_i}) \oplus M_{23}$ . Finally,  $U_i$  sends the message  $\{M_{24}, M_{25}, f\}$  to  $S_j$ .
- 3) After receiving message  $\{M_{24}, M_{25}, f\}$ ,  $S_j$  computes  $M_{26} = M_{24} \oplus h(SID_j || PSK || N_s)$ . Then  $S_j$  compares  $M_{26}$  with  $M_6 = h(ID_i)$  stored in server. If they are not matched,  $S_j$  rejects the session, otherwise,  $S_j$  computes  $M_{27} = M_{25}$

$\oplus h(M_6 || M_8 || N_s)$  and  $B_c = AES.D(f)$ . The key of  $M_{27} \oplus N_s$ . Finally,  $S_j$  recognizes the user by using a recognition system to compare  $B_c$  with  $B_i$ . If the recognition is passed,  $S_j$  replaces  $M^{new_7} = M_7 \oplus N_s$ .

### D. UUID CHANGE PHASE

In this phase,  $U_i$  could change the old device's UUID  $UUID^{old_i}$  to the new device's UUID  $UUID^{new_i}$ . The steps of this phase are similar with password-change phase. The detail of this phase is presented as follows:

- 1) The  $U_i$  sends the UUID-change request to  $S_j$ . Then  $S_j$  computes  $M_{28} = h(SID_j || PSK) \oplus N_s$ . Finally,  $S_j$  sends the message  $M_{28}$  to  $U_i$ .
- 2) After receiving message  $M_{28}$ ,  $U_i$  computes  $M_{29} = M_{28} \oplus h(SID_j || PSK)$ ,  $M_{30} = h(ID_i) \oplus h(SID_j || PSK || M_{29})$ ,  $M_{31} = h(UUID^{old_i}) \oplus h(UUID^{new_i}) \oplus h(h(ID_i) || h(PW_i) || M_{29})$  and  $f$ . The  $f$  is the AES encryption of  $B_i$  and the key of AES

is  $h(UUID_i^{old}) \oplus h(UUID_i^{new}) \oplus M_{29}$ . Finally,  $U_i$  sends the message  $\{M_{30}, M_{31}, f\}$  to  $S_j$ .

3) After receiving the message  $\{M_{30}, M_{31}, f\}$ ,  $S_j$  computes  $M_{32} = M_{30} \oplus h(SID_j || PSK || N_s)$ . Then  $S_j$  compares  $M_{32}$  with  $M_6 = h(ID_i)$  stored in server. If it does not match,  $S_j$

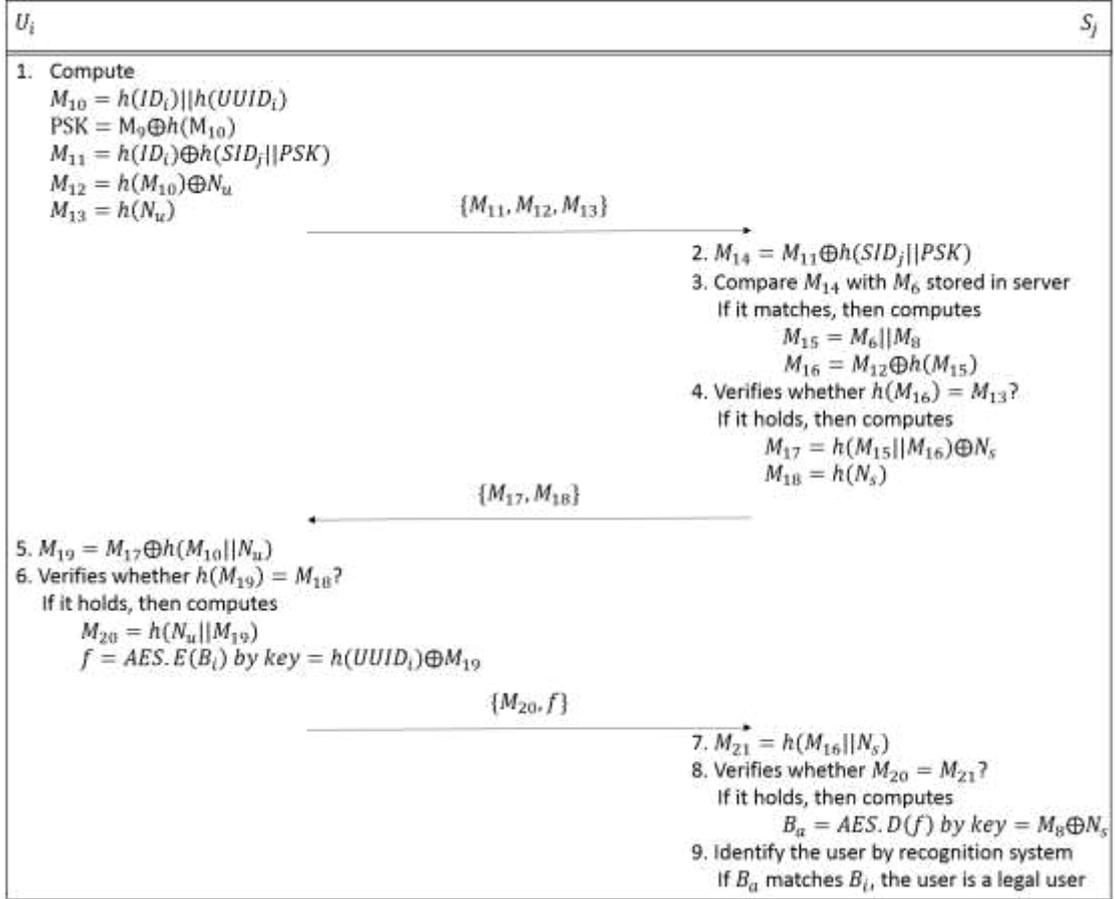


Figure 3. Authentication phase

rejects the session, otherwise,  $S_j$  computes  $M_{33} = M_{31} \oplus h(M_6 || M_7 || N_s)$  and  $B_c = AES.D(f)$ . The key of AES is  $M_{33} \oplus N_s$ . Next,  $S_j$  recognizes the user by using a recognition system to compare  $B_c$  with  $B_i$ . If it is recognized successfully,  $S_j$  replaces  $M^{new}_8 = M_8 \oplus M_{33}$  and replies to  $U_i$  with the information of a success. Finally,  $U_i$  replaces  $M^{new}_9 = PSK \oplus h(h(ID_i) || h(UUID_i^{new}))$ .

$h(N_u || N_s)$  computed by  $S_j$  and  $M_{20}$  are equal. Therefore, the proposed scheme could provide mutual authentication between  $U_i$  and  $S_j$ .

## IV. SECURITY ANALYSIS

### (I) INFORMAL SECURITY ANALYSIS

#### A. MUTUAL AUTHENTICATION

In Step.1 of the authentication phase, the  $U_i$  regenerates a nonce  $N_u$  and computes  $M_{12} = h(h(ID_i) || h(UUID_i)) \oplus N_u$ ,  $M_{12} = h(N_u)$ . Then in Step 2,  $S_j$  could recover  $N_u$  from  $M_{12}$  and authenticate  $U_i$  by checking whether  $h(N_u)$  is equal to  $M_{13}$  or not. In Step 3,  $U_i$  could recover  $U_s$  and authenticate  $S_j$  by checking if  $h(U_s)$  and  $M_{18}$  sent by  $S_j$  are equal. Finally,  $S_j$  will validate  $N_u$  and  $N_s$  sent by  $U_i$  are correct by checking whether

#### B. ANONYMITY

In the authentication process, all the information ( $ID_i$ ,  $UUID_i$ ,  $SID_j$ ) are protected by hash function. In message  $M_{12} = h(h(ID_i) || h(UUID_i)) \oplus N_u$ , the  $ID_i$  and  $UUID_i$  are protected by nonce  $N_u$ . The adversary must have the  $N_u$ , but  $N_u$  changes over sessions. Even if the adversary has the  $N_u$ , he is hard to recover  $ID_i$  and  $UUID_i$  from  $h(h(ID_i) || h(UUID_i))$ . As the result, our scheme could preserve the user anonymity property.

#### C. USER IMPERSONATION ATTACK

To impersonate as a legal user, the adversary must be able to generate the messages  $\{M_9, M_{11}, M_{12}\}$ . The adversary must know the user information  $ID_i$  and  $UUID_i$ . But the  $ID_i$  and  $UUID_i$  are protected in message  $M_{11} = h(h(ID_i) || h(UUID_i)) \oplus N_u$ . Therefore, our scheme could withstand the user impersonation attack.

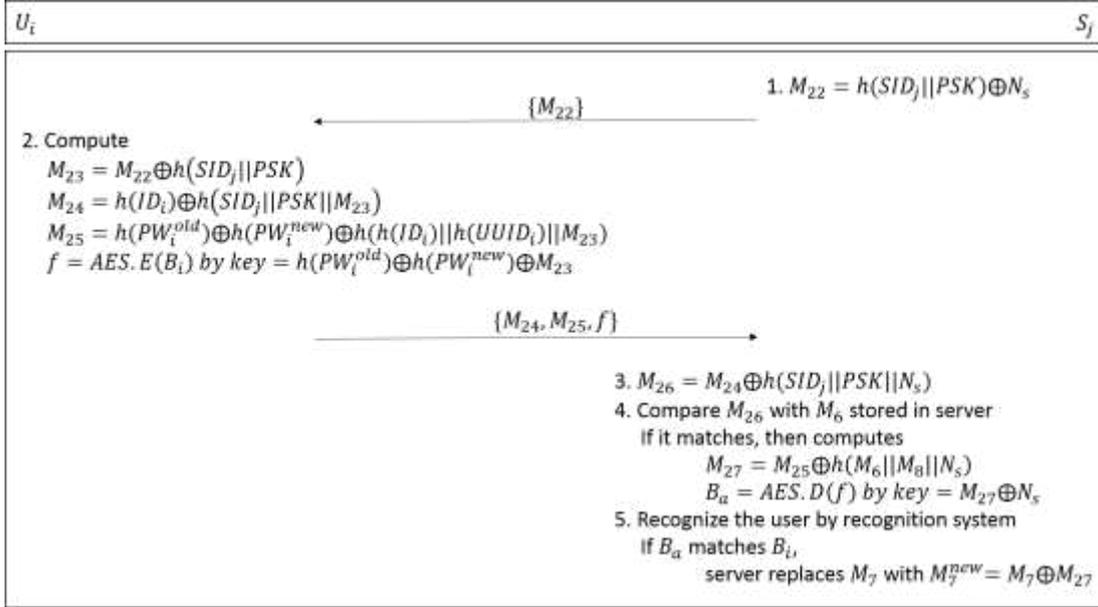


Figure 4. Password change phase

#### D. MAN-IN-THE-MIDDLE ATTACK

In this attack, the adversary eavesdrops the communication and tries to extract the information to compete the authentication. The adversary intercepts the messages  $\{M_{11}, M_{12}, M_{13}\}$ ,  $\{M_{17}, M_{18}\}$  and  $\{M_{20}, f\}$  and uses the previous messages to pass the authentication. Although the adversary has  $M_1 = h(ID_i) \oplus h(SID_j || PSK)$ , he does not have the server's secret  $h(SID_j || PSK)$ . Therefore, he cannot extract  $h(ID_i)$  from  $M_1$  and obtains other information.

#### E. SEVER SPOOFING ATTACK

Under this attack, the adversary attempts to masquerade as a server  $S_j$ . When the user  $U_i$  sends the messages  $\{M_{11}, M_{12}, M_{13}\}$  to the server. The adversary intercepts that message, where  $M_{11} = h(ID_i) \oplus h(SID_j || PSK)$ ,  $M_{12} = h(h(ID_i) || h(UUID_i)) \oplus N_u$  and  $M_{13} = h(N_u)$ . The adversary can try to replay the old message  $\{M'_{17}, M'_{18}\}$ , where  $M'_{17} = h(h(ID_i) || h(UUID_i) || N'_s) \oplus N'_s$  and  $M'_{18} = h(N'_s)$ . This attempt will not succeed, since the different session uses different nonces, that is  $N_u \neq N'_u$  and the session will reject by  $U_i$ . Therefore, our scheme could resist the server spoofing attack.

#### F. PASSWORD GUESSING ATTACK

We have made use of a nonce to protect users' passwords. Even if an attacker intercepts the message  $M_4 = h(PW_i) \oplus M_2$  in registration phase. He/she cannot guess the password and nonce at the same time. Thus, it is computationally infeasible for an attacker to guess the user's credentials. Thus, our scheme is free from the password guessing attack.

The security analysis of the related scheme and the proposed scheme is summarized in Table 2. The proposed scheme is relatively more secure than Das's and Li-Hwang's

and scheme. In addition, the proposed scheme provides mutual authentication between the user and the server.

Table 2 Security features comparison.

Security features	Das's scheme	Li-Hwang's scheme [17]	Our scheme
User Impersonation attack	✓	✓	✗
Server Spoofing attack	✓	✓	✗
Password Guessing attack	✓	✓	✗
Man-in-the-middle attack	✗	✓	✗
Anonymity	✗	✗	✓
Mutual Authentication	✗	✗	✓

Table 3 Comparison of computational overhead during all phases.

Phase		Das's scheme	Li-Hwang's scheme	Our scheme
Registration	C	--	--	$4T_h + T_{sym}$
	S	$3T_h$	$3T_h$	$2T_h + T_{sym}$
Login and Authentication	C	$T_{bio} + 5T_h$	$3T_h$	$9T_h + T_{sym}$
	S	$5T_h$	$4T_h$	$6T_h + T_{sym}$
Password change	C	$T_{bio} + 2T_h$	$3T_h$	$8T_h + T_{sym}$
	S	--	--	$3T_h + T_{sym}$

Notes:  $T_h$ : time for one-way hashing operation,  $T_{bio}$ : time for biometric verification,  $T_{sym}$ : time for symmetric encryption/decryption.

In Table 3, we have compared the computational overhead of the proposed scheme with Das's scheme and Li-Hwang's scheme. Though our scheme requires more computational overheads, but providing more security features. Besides, many operations in our scheme can be pre-computed to cut down the amount of time and the performance EVALUATION in section V also shows that the execution time is acceptable. We conclude that the proposed scheme is superior to the other schemes.

## (II) FORMAL SECURITY ANALYSIS

### A. Adversary Model

According to the classic Dolev-Yao model [18], Das et al.'s threat model [19] and Yu et al.'s [20] assumptions, we improve and propose the hypothesis about the adversary's abilities which is enumerated in table 4.

Table 4. The capabilities of adversaries

Capability	Description
Cap. 1	The adversary can eavesdrop, intercept, insert, delete, or block messages transmitting via the public channel
Cap. 2	Under corrupting mobile devices or smart cards, an adversary can extract all sensitive secret credentials stored in it.
Cap. 3	For the n-factor protocol, the adversary can get n-1 of the b authentication factors at the same time.
Cap. 4	The adversary can obtain user ID (When evaluating the anonymity of the protocol, the user ID should be assumed to be sensitive information).

**Definition 1** (one-way hash function). We define a one-way collision-resistant hash function  $h: \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$  that takes an arbitrary length binary string  $x \in \{0, 1\}^*$  as input and outputs a fixed-length binary string  $y = h(x) \in \{0, 1\}^n$ . The formula of advantage that an adversary in finding collision is defined as follows:

$$Adv_A^H(t) = \Pr[(x, x') \leftarrow A: x \neq x' \ \& \ h(x) = h(x')]$$

where  $\Pr[E]$  denotes the probability of an event E, and  $(x, x') \leftarrow A$  indicates the pair  $(x, x')$  which is selected randomly by the adversary. The  $Adv_A^H(t)$  stands for the probability in the advantage over the random choices made by the adversary A with the execution time t. The hash function is considered to be collision-resistant if  $Adv_A^H(t) \leq \epsilon$ , for  $\epsilon$  is negligible small. Then we define the random oracle as follows:

**Reveal:** The random oracle will output the input x from the corresponding hash value  $y = h(x)$  unconditionally.

The adversary must derive the biometric template  $B_i$  to masquerade as the user to pass the authentication. The experimental algorithm is given in Algorithm  $EXP_{A, auth}$ .

### Algorithm $EXP_{A, auth}$

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1. Eavesdrop the login request message  $\{M_{11}, M_{12}, M_{13}\}$  during the authentication phase.
2. Call Reveal oracle on input  $M_{13}$  to retrieve the information  $N_u$ .
   Let  $\text{Reveal}(M_{13}) \rightarrow N_u'$ 
3. Compute  $M_{10}' = h(ID_i) \parallel h(UUID_i) = M_{12} \oplus N_u$ 
4. Eavesdrop the authentication response message  $\{M_{17}, M_{18}\}$  from the server
5. Compute  $N_s' = M_{17} \oplus h(M_{10}' \parallel N_u)$  and  $h(N_s')$ 
   if  $h(N_s')$  matches with  $M_{18}$ , accept  $N_s'$  and  $N_u'$ 
6. Use  $h(UUID_i)$ ,  $N_s'$  and  $N_u'$  to compute AES encryption key  $f = AES.E(B_i)$  and  $M_{20} = (N_u' \parallel N_s')$ 
7. Send  $\{M_{20}, f\}$  to the server,
   If  $M_{20} = M_{21}$  (computed on server side), pass authentication
   retrieve  $B_a = AES.D(f)$ 
   return 1 (Success)
else
   return 0 (Failure)
end if

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Proof. In this proof, we need to construct a model that the adversary can derive the encrypted biometric feature to pass the authentication of the server. For this purpose, the adversary executes the experimental algorithm  $EXP_{A, auth}$ . The success probability for  $EXP_{A, auth}$  is defined as  $Succ_{A, auth} = Pr[EXP_{A, auth} = 1] - 1$ . The advantage formula of an adversary for this experiment becomes  $Adv_A^H(t, q_R) = \max\{Succ_{A, auth}\}$ , where the maximum probability that adversary takes with the execution time t and the number of queries  $q_R$ . Our scheme is said to be secure against an adversary for masquerading as a user to pass the authentication of the server, if  $Adv_A^H(t, q_R) \leq \epsilon$ , for  $\epsilon$  is negligible small.

Consider the experiment  $EXP_{A, auth}$ , if the adversary can invert the one-way hash function, he/she can obtain key materials to derive AES key and encrypt the biometric feature that can pass the server's authentication. However, by definition 1,  $Adv_A^H(t) \leq \epsilon$ , for  $\epsilon$  is negligible small. Therefore, the adversary has a tiny advantage  $Adv_A^H(t, q_R) \leq \epsilon$ . As a result, the proposed scheme is provably secure against an adversary in the model.

## V. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

### A. ENVIRONMENT

To realize the performance, we conduct an implementation of a face-based remote authentication scheme on smart phones. We use three different smart phones, HTC One M8, HTC One M7 and Samsung Galaxy S4, to evaluate the execution time of hash function and encryption of AES. We use the jpg images of the size is around 1MB to calculate the average time of AES encryption. We also test the execution time of hash function and AES decryption on our server. The specification of our server is Intel Core i7-4790 and 16GB RAM and the server codes by PHP and shell script. We implement AES encryption by Magic Crypt library [15] which shared by Magic Len and the face recognition by openBR library [16]. In our implementation we adopt that the hash function is sha-256 and the key length of AES is 256 bits.

### B. PERFORMANCE RESULT

In our proposed scheme the user need to use 4 times hash function and 1 time encryption of AES in registration phase as well as 8 times hash function and 1 time encryption of AES in authentication phase. The server need to use 2 times hash function in registration phase as well as 6 times hash function and 1 time decryption of AES in authentication phase. The user side result, which is the average execution time of one hash function and encryption of AES, is showed in Table 4. The server side result showed in Table 5 is the average execution time of once hash function and decryption of AES. In our implementation we directly encrypt the image and the file size encrypting by AES is a little larger than original file size. If you want to decrease the transmission data size, you can extract the biometric feature before carrying out the AES encryption.

Table 5. Execution time of cryptographic algo. on mobile phone

	HTC One M8	HTC One M7	Samsung Galaxy S4
Hash (sha-256)	0.2513 ms	0.3479 ms	0.2011 ms
AES (256-bits)	108.0112ms	143.7719ms	70.9659ms

Table 6 Execution time of cryptographic algo. on server

	Intel Core i7-4790, 16GBRAM
Hash (sha-256)	1.045 $\mu$ s
AES (256-bits)	14.0012ms

In table 6, we present the execution time of encrypting and decrypting images with an average size 1Mbytes on client side and server side. The size is almost equal to a 512x512 bmp image which can contain critical biometric features.

Table 7 Execution time on mobile phone

	Intel Core i7-4790	HTC One M8	HTC One M7	Samsung Galaxy S4
Exec time	14.0012ms	108.011ms	143.772ms	70.966ms

## VI. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we propose a biometric-based remote authentication scheme between mobile devices and cloud servers using AES encryption. Security analysis shows that the proposed scheme could satisfy security requirement of remote authentication system. In our proposed scheme, we substitute bounding mobile device for smart card. The proposal is more convenient and suitable for mobile payment environment. Therefore, our scheme provides security and convenience for authentication scheme of mobile payment.

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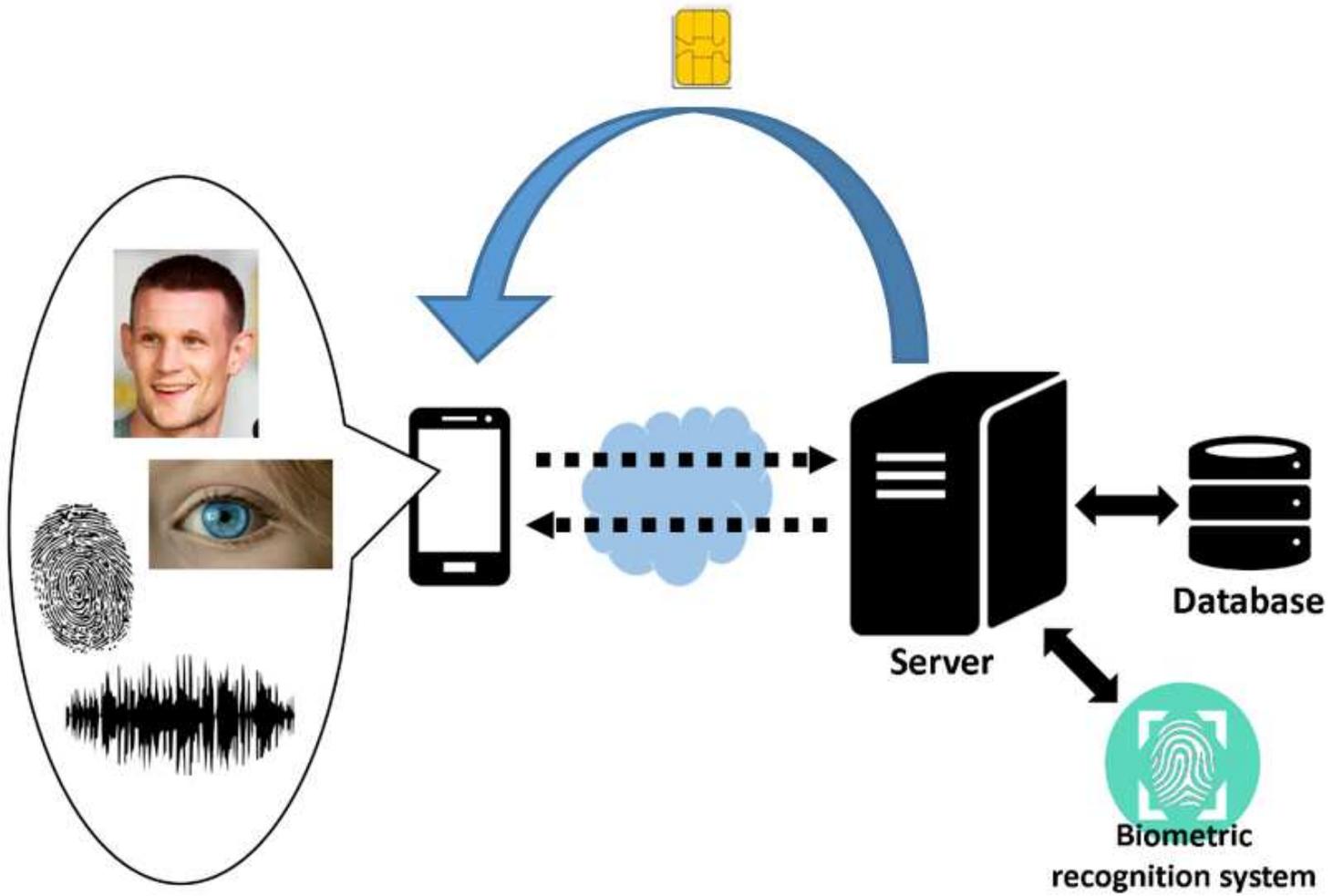
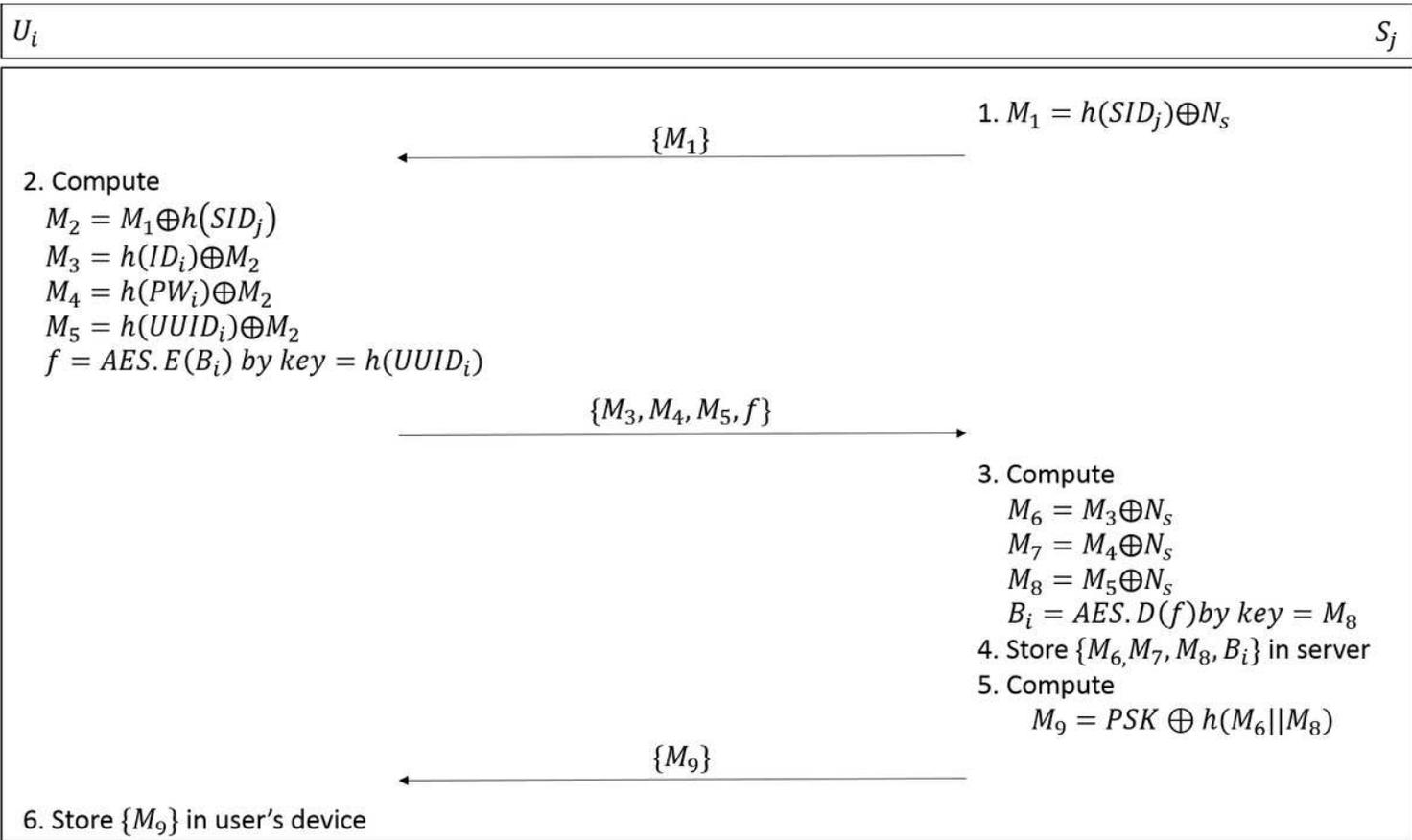


Figure 1

Architecture



**Figure 2**

Registration phase

## 1. Compute

$$M_{10} = h(ID_i || h(UUID_i))$$

$$PSK = M_9 \oplus h(M_{10})$$

$$M_{11} = h(ID_i) \oplus h(SID_j || PSK)$$

$$M_{12} = h(M_{10}) \oplus N_u$$

$$M_{13} = h(N_u)$$

 $\{M_{11}, M_{12}, M_{13}\}$ 

$$2. M_{14} = M_{11} \oplus h(SID_j || PSK)$$

3. Compare  $M_{14}$  with  $M_6$  stored in server

If it matches, then computes

$$M_{15} = M_6 || M_8$$

$$M_{16} = M_{12} \oplus h(M_{15})$$

4. Verifies whether  $h(M_{16}) = M_{13}$ ?

If it holds, then computes

$$M_{17} = h(M_{15} || M_{16}) \oplus N_s$$

$$M_{18} = h(N_s)$$

 $\{M_{17}, M_{18}\}$ 

$$5. M_{19} = M_{17} \oplus h(M_{10} || N_u)$$

6. Verifies whether  $h(M_{19}) = M_{18}$ ?

If it holds, then computes

$$M_{20} = h(N_u || M_{19})$$

$$f = AES.E(B_i) \text{ by key } = h(UUID_i) \oplus M_{19}$$

 $\{M_{20}, f\}$ 

$$7. M_{21} = h(M_{16} || N_s)$$

8. Verifies whether  $M_{20} = M_{21}$ ?

If it holds, then computes

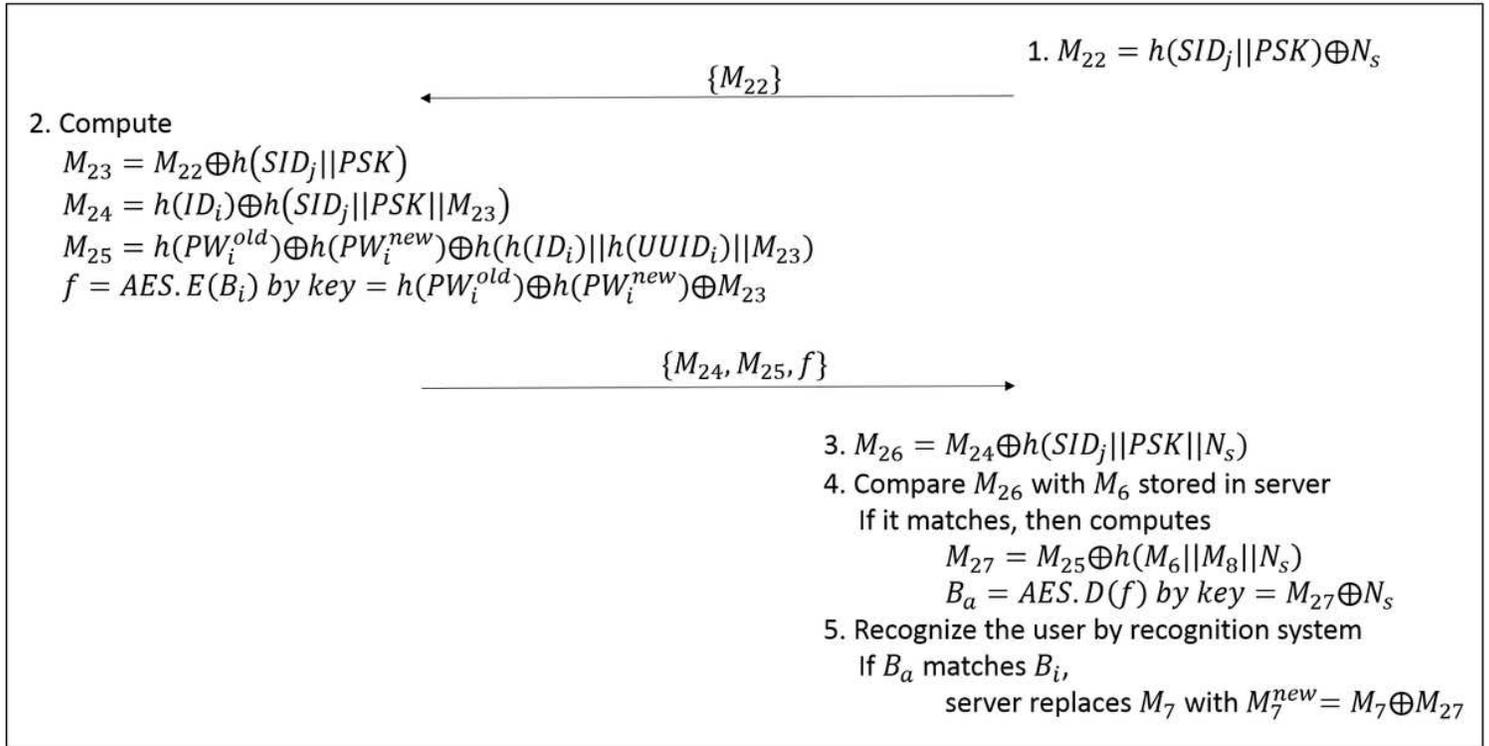
$$B_a = AES.D(f) \text{ by key } = M_8 \oplus N_s$$

9. Identify the user by recognition system

If  $B_a$  matches  $B_i$ , the user is a legal user

Figure 3

Authentication phase

**Figure 4**

Password change phase