Secure Access Control over Wide Area Network

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The SWAN Project

SWAN - Secure Access Control over Wide Area Network

- IKTPLUSS program
- October 2015 September 2019
- Funding of 23.055.000 NOK
- Partners from 4 European countries





The SWAN Consortium

Partners:

Norwegian Biometrics Laboratory (NBL)
 @ Gjøvik University College (GUC)



- Department of Informatics @ University of Oslo
- Morpho, France
- Institut de Recherche Idiap, Switzerland
- Association of German Banks, Germany
- Zwipe AS, Oslo

Sponsor: IKTPLUSS



Access Control

Authentication can be achieved by:

- Something you know: Password, PIN, other secret
- Something you own: SmartCard, USB-token, key
- Something you are: Body characteristics

Something you know or own you may loose, forget or forward to someone else, with biometrics this is more difficult.

- security policy not violated by delegation
- non-repudiation of transactions "This was initiated by *Igor Popov* misusing my card"

Access Control in the Banking Environment

A European perspective



Source: BdB (2015)

Biometrics - Fingerprint Recognition

Analog/digital representation of the finger ridges

Distinguished points of the fingerprint: Minutia



Biometrics and Access Control

Automated Border Control in Europe

- Automated but supervised border control since 08'2009
- Self-Service to increase throughput



US VISIT

• Visitors with a criminal record are rejected



Source: US Visit

Smartphone Access Control

Foreground authentication (user interaction)

- Deliberate decision to capture (willful act)
- Camera-Sensor
 - Fingerprint recognition
 - Apples iPhone 5S / Samsung Galaxy 5
 - Fingerphoto analysis
 - Face recognition
 - Iris recognition
- Touchpad: allows signature recognition
- Background authentication (observation of the user)

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- Microphone
 - Speaker recognition
- Accelerometer
 - Gait recognition
 - concurrent unobtrusive



Image Source: Apple 2013



Biometric Speaker Recognition

Offer an unobtrusive or explicit authentication method

- Use embedded microphone in mobile device to record the voice signal
 - unobtrusive or
 - apply willful act for explicit transaction authorization
 - no extra hardware is needed









Biometric Finger Recognition

Capture process

• Camera operating in macro modus



Preview image of the camera with LED on (left) and LED off (right)

LED permanent on



Finger illuminated

[SNB12] C. Stein, C. Nickel, C. Busch, "Fingerphoto Recognition with Smartphone Cameras", Proceedings 11th Intern. Conference of the Biometrics Special Interest Group (BIOSIG 2012)

Biometric Eye Recognition

Images captured with either front or back camera

- Challenges
 - face and eye localization







[RRSB14] K. Raja, R. Raghavendra, Martin Stokkenes, Christoph Busch: "Smartphone Authentication System Using Periocular Biometrics", (BIOSIG 2014)

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Operators will think:

"The biometric sensors must be robust against fake attacks"

Gummy Finger Production in 2000 !

Attack without support of an enroled individual

- Recording of an analog fingerprint from flat surface material
 - z.B. glass, CD-cover, etc.
 with iron powder and tape
- Scanning and post processing:
 - Correction of scanning errors
 - Closing of ridge lines (as needed)
 - Image inversion
- Print on transparent slide
- Photochemical production of a circuit board mold



Privacy Protection ?

Operators will think:

"Biometric systems must be compliant to data privacy and data protection principles"

Data Protection Requirements

Technical framework on how to implement requirements for data privacy and data protection

• exists ISO/IEC 24745: Biometric Information Protection, (2011) http://www.iso.org/iso/home/store/catalogue_tc/catalogue_detail.htm?csnumber=52946



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Mobile Biometric Payment -Biometric Transaction and Authentication Protocol (BTAP)

Biometric Transaction Authentication

Biometric Transaction Authentication Protocol (BTAP)

- 1.) Shared secret
 - received via subscribed letter from the bank
 - entered once to the smartphone
 - hash over the secret constitutes a Pseudonymous Identifier (PI)



Biometric Transaction Authentication

Biometric Transaction Authentication Protocol (BTAP)

- 3.) Secure storage of auxilliary data
 - we neither store the confidential secret nor the sensitive biometric data (i.e. feature vector)
 - the secret and biometric data are merged



Auxilliary data (AD) stored in the Smartphone

- Biometric Transaction Device = FIDO Authenticator

Transaction-Verification

Key features of **BTAP**

- independent two channel verification
- reconstruction of shared secret
- the Pseudonymous Identifier (PI) constitutes a seal
- seal operation over the TOR to authenticate the transaction



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Objectives

- To develop and demonstrate biometric solutions that are fast, trustworthy and secure for real-time authentication of individuals at banking transactions.
- To enable privacy-preserving bank transaction authentication protocols over wide area network with a privacy-by-design approach.
- To study vulnerabilities and limitations of the biometric modalities such as a 2D face, fingerprint, eye, and voice
- To develop transaction authentication protocols using biometrics that can overcome the need for centralized storage of biometric data.

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Work Structure



Invitation

SWAN-project end-user group is meeting

- February 24th in Gjøvik
- Banking representatives are invited

Annual Workshop of the Norwegian Biometrics Laboratory (NBL)

- February 25th in Gjøvik
- You are welcome to visit the NBL on that occasion



Conclusion

Biometrics is possible with todays smartphones

• a multi-biometric authentication scheme with scaling factors is a good choice with respect to security threats

Biometric standards are available

financial transaction schemes should follow privacy standards

BTAP follows the two channel concept

- is based on international ISO/IEC standards
- is privacy friendly as no biometric reference is stored on a banking server

More and detailed information on SWAN and BTAP at: http://nislab.no/biometrics_lab/swan http://www.christoph-busch.de/projects-btap.html

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