# Improved Key Management for Fiat-Tassa Dynamic Traitor Tracing

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#### Introduction

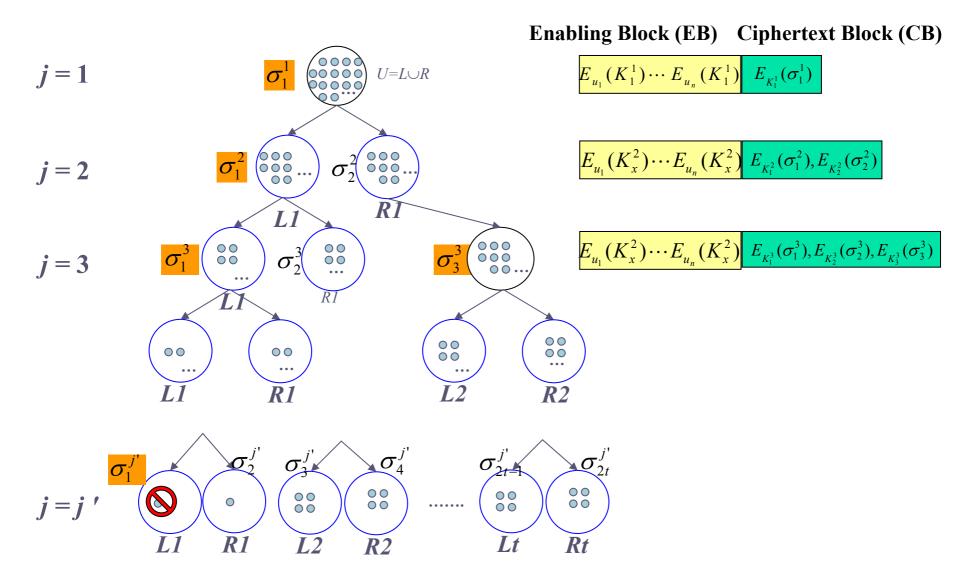
- Fiat and Tassa (CRYPTO 1999) proposed a new traitor tracing mechanism by using fingerprinting techniques that guarantee to identify at least one traitor when subscribers collude to construct a pirate decoder
- In the Fiat-Tassa scheme, each subscriber has only one personal key initially, but the broadcaster should need to construct an enabling block that contains O(n) encrypted keys used for recovering the session key



#### Introduction (cont.)

- The Fiat-Tassa scheme requires a large amount of transmission bandwidth and computational overhead for broadcast encryption
- Our proposal uses the Subset-Difference method proposed by Naor et al. (CRYPTO 2001) to construct a key tree hierarchy formed by the personal keys for the subscribers
- The improved key management mechanism preserves the security properties provided by the original Fiat-Tassa scheme
- The size of the enabling block produced by our proposal is reduced significantly from our experimental results

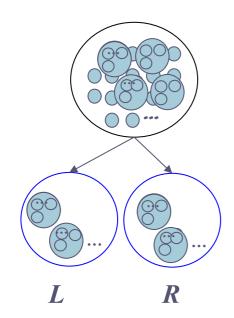
#### Tracing Process in Fiat-Tassa Scheme



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### Main Idea of Our Proposal

- $\blacksquare$  Divide the set of *n* subscribers into smaller disjoint subsets
- All subscribers in the same subset share a set of secret keys



subscriber

 $subscriber subset <math>S_{x_i,y_i}$ 

#### **Enabling Block (EB)**

$$E_{u_1}(K_1^1)\cdots \qquad E_{u_n}(K_1^1)$$

Fiat-Tsaas

$$E_{S_{x,y}}(K_1^1)\cdots E_{S_{x',y'}}(K_1^1)$$

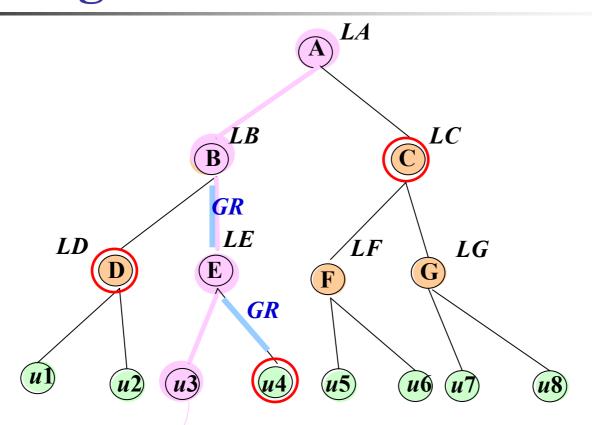
Our proposal

$$c = F(t, spt)$$

t: # of traitors could be detectedspt: pre-defined size of subset



# **Key Hierarchy of Our Proposal using Subset-Difference method**



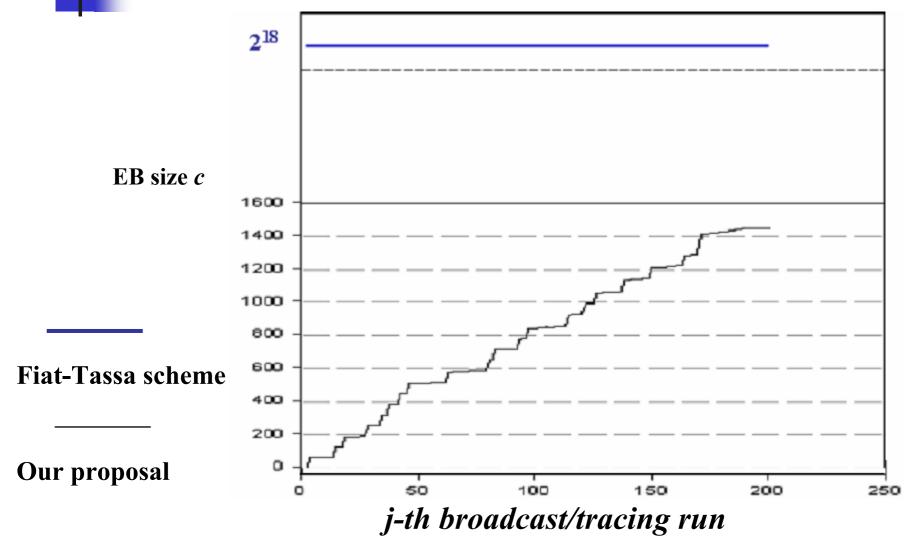
$$L_{A,C}, L_{A,D}, L_{A,u4},$$
 $L_{B,D}, L_{B,u4},$ 
 $L_{E,u4},$ 
initial

GR: key generation function

$$L_{B,u4} = GR (GR (LB))$$

$$L_{E,u4} = GR (LE)$$

# Experimental Result of Our Proposal with $n=2^{18}$ , spt=64



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### The First Glimpse of Comparison

	Fiat-Tassa	Our Proposal
Personal keys	1	$\log^2 n$
Enabling block size	n	c = F(t, spt)
Rounds for detecting traitor	$\log(n)$	$\log(n/spt)$

#### Notes:

t: # traitors could be detected in each round

*spt*: pre-defined size of subset



## Thank you

## for your attention