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# REAS-TMIS: Resource-efficient Authentication Scheme for Telecare Medical Information System

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**ABSTRACT** The phenomenal growth of smartphones and wearable devices has begun crowd-sourcing applications for the Internet of Things (IoT). E-healthcare is considered the essential service for crowd-sourcing IoT applications that help remote access or storage medical server (MS) data to the authorized doctors, patients, nurses, etc., via the public Internet. As the public Internet is exposed to various security attacks, remote user authenticated key exchange (AKE) has become a pressing need for the secure and reliable use of these services. This paper proposes a new resource-efficient AKE scheme for telecare medical information systems, called REAS-TMIS. It uses authenticated encryption with associative data (AEAD) and a hash function. AEAD schemes are devised specifically for encrypted communication among resource-constricted IoT devices. These features of AEAD make REAS-TMIS resource-efficient. Moreover, REAS-TMIS dispenses with the elliptic curve point multiplication and chaotic map that are computationally expensive operations. In addition, REAS-TMIS renders the functionality of session key (SK) establishment for future encrypted communication between MS and users after validating the authenticity of the user. The security of SK is corroborated employing the well establish random oracle model. Moreover, Scyther-based security corroboration is implemented to show that REAS-TMIS is secure, and informal security analysis is executed to show the resiliency of REAS-TMIS against various security attacks. Besides, a thorough analysis shows that REAS-TMIS, while accomplishing the authentication phase, requires less computational, communication, and storage resources than the related authentication protocol.

**INDEX TERMS** Security, AEAD, E-healthcare, Privacy, Authentication, TMS, Smart City.

## I. INTRODUCTION

THE Internet of Things (IoT) evolution has impacted the essence of human life in different directions by providing significant acumen's, productivity, and cost-effectiveness [1], [2]. Consequently, many novel applications essential for smart city environment and Industry 4.0 have been created. For instance, healthcare sector incorporates IoT to advance patient monitoring with reduced cost and thereby strengthens innovation in patients' care. Essentially, the synthesis of IoT

in the production and consumer sector is attributed to Industry 4.0. Similarly, Medicine 4.0 and Healthcare 4.0, the two major revolutions created by IoT for smart city environment, are boomed in healthcare sector, that has empowered innovative solutions for monitoring remote patient, dispensing medications, designing early warning and dynamic treatment strategies, and managing and maintaining medical equipment [3].

As one of the crucial applications of IoT in smart city

environment, e-healthcare system is increasingly being used by the people all around the globe. Under certain circumstances, sharing the information associated with a patient with a group of medical professionals is essential to improving the treatment procedures [4]. For treatments where many specialists are concerned, crowd-sourcing the IoT in e-healthcare services is needed. Fig. 1 presents a design of IoT applications where the crowd-sourcing IoT for e-healthcare is necessitated. In this design, the gateway node acts as the interface between the medical server (MS) and the remote users. MS is the main component of e-healthcare system from where diverse users like doctors, nurses, patients, medical policymakers, legal authorities, and insurance agents retrieve and deposit medical information. The contemporary conception of smart mobile devices (MDs) has yielded crowd-sourcing IoT applications. Data collected by MDs can be further processed to assist intelligently in different promising services. In e-healthcare applications, data accumulated by MDs are saved in different MSs. An authorized user accesses the information stored on MSs for monitoring and diagnosing purposes via the public Internet. The information when being accessed by the user through the public Internet is prone to be attacked by pernicious users and intruders. Hence, a resource-efficient and reliable security scheme for crowd-sourcing in e-healthcare services require consideration to preserve the vital and private medical information associated with the patient. This requires designing remote users' authenticated key exchange (AKE) schemes to render secure access of sensitive resources to valid users [3]–[5].

### A. RELATED WORK

Various AKE schemes have been proposed in the existing literature to enable secure and privacy-preserving communication within telecare medical information systems (TMIS). An AKE scheme checks the authenticity of the user and establishes a session key (SK) to enable encrypted communication between the medical server (MS) and the user. For this purpose, Kumari *et al.* [6] devised an elliptic curve cryptography (ECC)-based AKE scheme to enable a user to access the information from MS securely. However, the scheme cannot prevent password guessing (PGU), smart card/device loss (SMCL), user anonymity (URA), privilege insider (PIN), user impersonation (URIM), and de-synchronization (D-SYN) attacks. Khatoun *et al.* [7] proposed a user bi-linear-pairing (BP) based AKE scheme for TMIS. However, their scheme is incapable of thwarting URIM and PIN attacks and cannot provide URA feature. Similarly, the AKE scheme presented by Li *et al.* [8] is unable to impede PGU, IDGU, URIM, PIN, and SMCL attacks. Das *et al.* [9] proposed an SHA-based scheme, which cannot thwart server impersonation (SIM), man-in-the-middle (MATM), URIM, and PIN attacks and is unable to provide URA property.

The user AKE scheme proposed by Madhusudhan *et al.* [10] cannot resist replay, MATM, PIN, and SIM, and does not provide Mutual authentication (MA) and URA features. The AKE scheme presented in [11] is incapable of resisting

denial-of-service (DoS), PIN, and masquerade attacks and does not provide URA and MA features. The authors proposed an AKE scheme in [12], which is prone to ephemeral secret leakage (EPLE), DoS, and key compromised attacks. The scheme presented by Garg *et al.* [13] in 2019, was proved insecure against key compromise impersonation and it was also argued in [14] that Garg *et al.*'s scheme does not provide meter anonymity and forward secrecy. Similarly, the authors in [15], [16] presented the AKE schemes using an authenticated encryption with associative data (AEAD) and secure hash algorithm (SHA). However, their schemes cannot encompass all the security requirements stipulated by resource constrained IoT devices deployed for TMIS. A detailed summary of the various user AKE protocol for the TMIS environment is given in Table 1.

### B. MOTIVATION

As described in Table 1, most of the schemes proposed to ensure indecipherable communications in the TMIS are unprotected against SIM, URIM, EPLE, and DoS attacks. In addition to this, some of the schemes are incapable of thwarting the D-SYN, PIN, and do not render the features, such as URA and MA. It is worth noting that public key cryptography and chaotic map-based user AKE scheme require significantly high computational resources because modular exponentiation and elliptic curve cryptography (ECC) based point multiplication operations are computationally expensive for the resource limited IoT devices. However, symmetric-key cryptography [41] is a feasible option for such devices. Stating more precisely, the recently proposed authenticated encryption with associative data cryptographic primitive are specifically designed for the resource constricted IoT devices. An AEAD scheme is efficient in terms of computational resource requirements and is therefore designed explicitly for resource-limited devices. In addition, an AEAD scheme provides the confidentiality, authenticity, and integrity of the data simultaneously. Therefore, using an AEAD scheme can reduce the computational time required to complete the authentication phase by reducing the cryptographic operation involved in the authentication process. Therefore, by leveraging the benefits of an AEAD scheme and hash function, we propose a lightweight and secure AKE scheme for the TIMS with the following contributions [42], [43].

### C. RESEARCH CONTRIBUTION

- 1) We propose a resource-efficient authentication scheme for the TMIS, called REAS-TMIS, that utilizes the lightweight cryptography-based authenticated encryption with associative data (ASCON) and hash function "Esch256". REAS-TMIS enables users and servers to set up SK for indecipherable communication after accomplishing the mutual authentication to ensure encrypted communication between users and medical servers. Moreover, REAS-TMIS ensures the

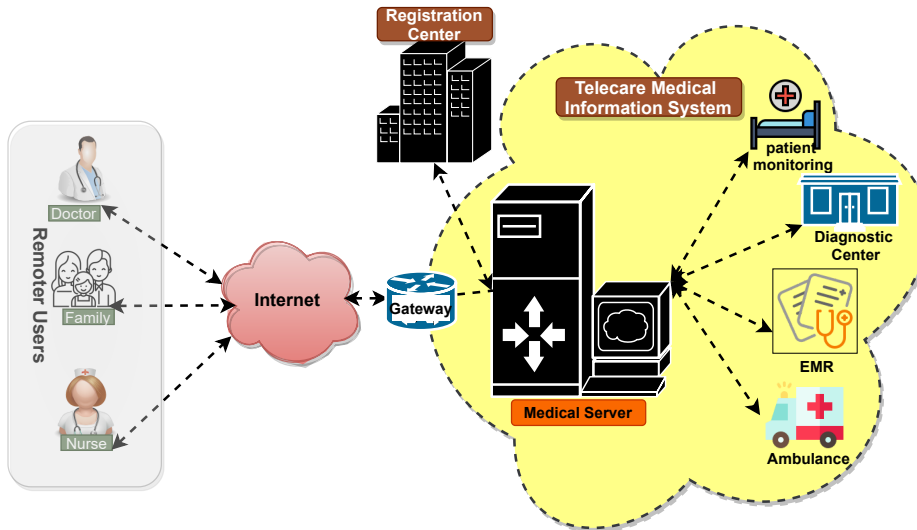


Figure 1: Telecare medical information system.

Table 1: User Authentication Schemes: A detailed summary

Protocol	Limitations	Operation Utilized
Kumari <i>et al.</i> [6]	Unable to impede PGU, SMCL, URA, PIN, URIM, and D-SYN attack	ECC, Exclusive-OR, and SHA
Jia <i>et al.</i> [17]	Does not render resistance against EPLE attack.	ECC, Exclusive-OR, and SHA
Qui <i>et al.</i> [18]	Unable to impede URIM attacks. In addition, unable to provide URA feature.	ECC, Exclusive-OR, and SHA
Son <i>et al.</i> [19]	Unable to prevent secret disclosure and PIN attacks.	BP, Exclusive-OR, and SHA
Zhang <i>et al.</i> [20]	Unable to impede PGU and SIM attacks.	Exclusive-OR, chaotic map, SHA
He <i>et al.</i> [21]	Cannot thwart DoS, PIN, and PGU attacks.	BP, Exclusive-OR, and SHA
Alzahrani <i>et al.</i> [22]	Unable to impede the SIM attack.	Exclusive-OR and SHA
Khatoun <i>et al.</i> [7]	Incapable of thwarting URIM and PIN attacks and cannot provide URA feature.	BP, Exclusive-OR, and SHA
Tanveer <i>et al.</i> [23]	Unable to impede D-SYN and PIN attacks.	ASCON, Exclusive-OR, and SHA
Han <i>et al.</i> [24]	Does not prevent MATM, URA, URIM, and SIM attacks.	ECC, SHA, and Exclusive-OR
Nayak <i>et al.</i> [25]	Unable to impede D-SYN and cannot render URA feature.	SHA and Exclusive-OR
Chaudhry <i>et al.</i> [26]	Cannot restrain impersonation and EPLE attacks and cannot render anonymity feature.	ECC, SHA, and Exclusive-OR
Li <i>et al.</i> [8]	Unable to impede PGU, IDGU, URIM, PIN, and SMCL attacks.	ECC, SHA, and Exclusive-OR
Das <i>et al.</i> [9]	Cannot thwart SIM, MATM, URIM, and PIN attacks. Unable to provide URA property.	Exclusive-OR and SHA
Mir <i>et al.</i> [27]	Does not thwart PIN and MATM attacks.	Exclusive-OR and SHA
Amin <i>et al.</i> [28]	Unable to impede replay, PGU, and URIM attacks.	SHA and Exclusive-OR
Madhusudhan <i>et al.</i> [10]	Cannot resist replay, MATM, PIN, and SIM. Does not provide MA and URA features.	Chaotic map, Exclusive-OR, and SHA
Renuka <i>et al.</i> [29]	Cannot resist PIN and provide URA feature	ECC, SHA, and Exclusive-OR
Dharminder <i>et al.</i> [30]	Unable to impede PIN attack.	RSA, SHA, and Exclusive-OR
Shen <i>et al.</i> [31]	Incapable of preventing SMCL, DoS, and PFS attacks.	Exclusive-OR, ECC, and SHA
Chaudhry <i>et al.</i> [32]	Incapable of preventing SMCL, DoS, and PFS attacks.	Exclusive-OR, AES, and SHA
Irshad <i>et al.</i> [33]	Does not render revocation feature.	Exclusive-OR, ECC, and SHA
Irshad <i>et al.</i> [34]	Cannot not render resistance against EPLE and SIM attacks.	Exclusive-OR, ECC, and SHA
Mo <i>et al.</i> [35]	Cannot render protection replay, stolen verifier, DoS, and EPLE attacks.	Exclusive-OR, ECC, and SHA
Barman <i>et al.</i> [36]	Incapable of preventing PIN attack.	Exclusive-OR, ECC, and SHA
Amin <i>et al.</i> [37]	Incapable of preventing URIM and PGU attacks and does not ensure PFS feature.	Exclusive-OR, RSA, and SHA
Nikooghadam <i>et al.</i> [38]	Cannot resist SIM, URIM, PGU, SK disclosure, and D-SYN attacks and does not provide PFS feature.	Exclusive-OR, AES, and SHA
Ali and Pal <i>et al.</i> [39]	Unable to impede PIN, SIM, URIM, and DoS attacks.	Exclusive-OR, ECC, and SHA
Wang <i>et al.</i> [40]	Cannot resist URIM, SIM, and EPLE attacks.	Exclusive-OR, ECC, and SHA

anonymity and privacy of the user during the accomplishment of the AKE phase.

- 2) We leverage the Random oracle model (ROM) to validate the authenticity of the established SK. In addition, we utilize Scyther-based analysis and illustrate that REAS-TMIS is secure and resilient against various covert security threats, including MATM, replay, D-SYN, URIM, SIM, and SMCL attacks.
- 3) We show that, in addition to rendering comparatively enhanced security functionalities, REAS-TMIS accomplishes the AKE process with the requirement of 54.04% lower computational and 19.79% lesser communication costs than the related AKE scheme.

The remaining of this paper is organized as follows. System models are elaborated in Section II. The proposed REAS-TMIS is explained in Section IV. The security validation is presented in Section V. The efficiency and effectiveness of REAS-TMIS are described in Section VI. Finally, the paper ends with concluding remarks in Section VII.

## II. SYSTEM MODEL

### A. NETWORK MODEL

The network model presented in Fig. 1 is considered for the proposed REAS-TMIS. The model comprises registration center (RC), medical server (MS), and users ( $UR_x | x = 1, 2, 3, \dots, K$ ), where  $K$  is the number of users. The users can be doctors, nurses, or family members authorized to

access the information stored at MS. RC is responsible for the deployment of MS. Moreover, RC is also responsible for the registration of  $UR_x$  before giving them access to the network resources, i.e., to view the patient record and the availability of other services provided by the medical center. MS stores all the information related to the health of a patient, which are obtained from the patient monitoring system. In addition, MS stores the sensitive registration information associated with the  $UR_x$ . It is often the case that  $UR_x$  requires the data/information stored at MS. Thus, a security mechanism is required to enable safe communication between  $UR_x$  and MS. To provide  $UR_x$  with secure access to the system resources, an AKE scheme is required.

### B. ATTACK MODEL

The Dolev–Yao (DY) [44], [45] is considered as the threat model (TM) for the proposed REAS-TMIS. Under the DY model, an adversary, denoted by  $\mathcal{A}$ , has the capabilities of seizing all the messages exchanged during the AKE phase. In addition to this,  $\mathcal{A}$  can capture the message or drop it, update the message content, and can re-transmit the modified message. Moreover, the smart user device is not considered to be a trusted device because  $\mathcal{A}$  can capture the user’s smart device and can procure the sensitive information stored in the memory of the device or smart card [46]. Similarly, MS is considered to be placed in a secure environment, and  $\mathcal{A}$  can not capture it physically. However, the insider  $\mathcal{A}$  can retrieve the sensitive information stored in the database of MS and can perform various malicious activities on behalf of a particular user. Furthermore, we employ the postulates of the CK-adversary model [47]. It is an effective TM than the DY model and is considered a substantially acceptable model for devising an AKE scheme.

### III. PRELIMINARIES

This section renders the background knowledge of different preliminaries utilized in devising the REAS-TMIS.

#### A. FUZZY EXTRACTOR

Fuzzy extractor ( $FE$ ) is used to derive a unique secret key from the user’s bio-metric template.  $FE$  comprises bio-metric key generation and reproduction functions, denoted by  $Gen(\cdot)$  and  $Rep(\cdot)$ , respectively. The function  $Gen(\cdot)$  is a probabilistic function and takes input of user bio-metric ( $BIO_{UR}$ ) information and generates a unique key  $BIK \in [0, 1]^{l_{bbk}}$  and  $RP$ , where  $l_{bbk}$  is the length of  $BIK$  and  $RP$  is the reproduction parameter. Moreover,  $Rep(\cdot)$  deterministic function and reproduces  $BIK$  by taking  $BIO'_{UR}$  and  $RP$  as the inputs with the condition  $(BIO_{UR}, BIO'_{UR} \leq Et)$ , where  $BIO'_{UR}$  and  $Et$  are the bio-metric information entered at the time of login and error tolerance.

#### B. ASCON

ASCON [48] is an online AEAD scheme, which provides the confidentiality, integrity, and authentic of the data simul-

Table 2: List of Notations Used in REAS-TMIS

Notation	Description
$\mathcal{A}$	Adversary
$ID_{MS}, MK_{MS}$	Real identity and master key of the medical server (MS)
$PSW_{UR}, B_{UR}, ID_{UR}$	Real identity and password of user
$PTD$	Pseudo identity of user of size 256 bits
$SP_{UR}$	Secret parameter of user of size 128 bits
$SID$	Searching identity of size 128 bits
$RP, N_{PB}$	Random numbers, each of size 128 bits
$TS_1, TS_2$	Timestamps used during the AKE process each of size 32 bits
$(CT_x, Tag_x)$	Ciphertext and Tag generated by the encryption process of an AEAD, where $x = 1, 2, 3, 4$
$AD_1, AD_2, AD_3, AD_4, AD_5$	Associative data used in the encryption process, each of size 128 bits
$R_{Ke}, R_e$	Random numbers used in the AKE process, each of size 128 bits
$R_b$	Random number used in the AKE process of size 16 bits
$E_{Ke}(xy)$	Represents the encryption of message “ $xy$ ” with key $Ke$
$D_{Ke}(xy)$	Represents the decryption of message “ $xy$ ” with key $Ke$
$Ke$	Secret key used in the encryption process, where $x = 1, 1, 2, 3, 4$
$BIO_{UR}, RP$	Bio-metric information and reproduction parameter
$BIK_{UR}$	128 bits bio-metric key generated by $FE$
$Rep(\cdot)$	Bio-metric key reproduction function of $FE$
$Gen(\cdot)$	Bio-metric key generation function of $FE$
$RP$	Reproduction parameter generated by $Gen(\cdot)$
$H(\cdot)$	Collision resistant hash function
$\oplus,   $	Exclusive-OR and concatenation operations

taneously. The encryption and decryption processes of the ASCON can be expressed as follows.

$$(CT, Tag) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke}\{(IV, AD), PT\} \quad (1)$$

$$(PT, Tag') = \mathcal{D}_{Ke}\{(IV, AD), CT\} \quad (2)$$

where  $CT$ ,  $Tag/Tag'$ ,  $Ke$ ,  $IV$ ,  $AD$ , and  $PT$  denote the ciphertext, authentication  $Tag$ , key, initialization vector, associative data, and plaintext, respectively.

#### C. ESCH256

Esch256 is a lightweight hash algorithm that is designed for resource-constricted IoT devices. Moreover, Esch256 provides high security than SHA-160 with reduced computational cost. We denote the Esch256 hash operation by the expression  $H(\cdot)$ . The detail description of “Esch256” hash function can be found in [49].

### IV. THE PROPOSED REAS-TMIS SCHEME

The details of the proposed REAS-TMIS are presented in this section. REAS-TMIS comprises four phases: UR registration phase, AKE phase, password update (PUD) phase, and revocation (RV) phase. Table 2 tabulates a list of notations used to elaborate REAS-TMIS. The following subsections present the working of REAS-TMIS.

#### A. INITIALIZATION PHASE

RC is the trusted authority and is responsible for registering URs and MS. Before the deployment of MS in the target field, RC picks a unique identity  $ID_{MS}$  and a secret master key for  $MK_{MS}$  for MS. In addition, RC loads the credentials  $\{ID_{MS}, MK_{MS}\}$  in the temper resistance database of MS.

#### B. UR REGISTRATION PHASE

In user registration (URR) phase,  $UR_x$  needs to register with RC. RC assigns secret credentials to  $UR_x$  during the URR phase. Before accessing the network resources  $UR_x$  needs to authenticate itself with MS. RC accomplishes the following imperative steps to register  $UR_x$ .

##### 1) Step URR-1

$UR_x$  picks its own identity  $ID_{UR_x}$ , random number  $R_{UR_x}$ , and password  $PSW_{UR_x}$ . In addition,  $UR_x$  by employing



$FE$  computes  $(BIK_{UR_x}, RP) = Gen(BIO_{UR_x})$ , where the size of  $BIK_{UR_x}$  is 128 bits. Moreover,  $UR_x$  calculates  $W_1 = H(ID_{UR_x} \parallel PSW_{UR_x})$  and  $P_1 = (W_1^a \oplus W_2^b)$  sends  $P_1$  to RC.

**Remark 1.** Most of the AEAD schemes takes AD, nonce and key of sizes 128 bits. Here  $P_1$  is obtained by performing Exclusive-OR on  $W_1^a$  and  $W_2^b$ , which are two chunks of  $W_1$ . Now, the size of  $P_1$  has become 128 bits where as the size of  $W_1$  was 256 bits. To make all the parameters compatible with AEAD encryption scheme (ASCON), we will perform the above operation.

### 2) Step URR-2

RC on procuring  $P_1$ , picks random number  $NP$ , and computes  $MP_1 = H(ID_{MS} \parallel MK_{MS})$ ,  $TID_{UR_x} = (P_1 \oplus NP)$ ,  $PID = (TID_{UR_x} \parallel NP) \oplus MP_1$ ,  $W_2 = H(P_1 \parallel MK_{MS})$ , and searching identity  $SID = (W_2^a \oplus W_2^b)$ . Moreover, RC computes  $W_3 = H(MK_{MS} \parallel P_1 \parallel ID_{MS})$  and secret parameter  $SP_{UR_x} = (W_3^a \oplus W_3^b)$  and sends  $\{PID, SP_{UR_x}\}$  to  $UR_x$ . In addition, RC, stores the credentials  $\{SID, SP_{UR_x}\}$  in MS's database.

### 3) Step URR-3

On procuring the secret credentials form RC,  $UR_x$  computes  $AD_1 = R_{UR_x}$  and  $Ke_1 = P_1 \oplus BIK_{UR_x}$ . Moreover,  $UR_x$  by using ASCON encryption computes  $(CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke_1} \{(AD_1), PT_{UR_x}\}$ , where  $PT_{UR_x} = \{PID, SP_{UR_x}\}$ . Finally,  $UR_x$  stores the parameters  $\{CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}, Gen(\cdot), Rep(\cdot), RP, R_{UR_x}\}$  in its own memory.

## C. AKE PHASE

In this phase,  $UR_x$  performs the local authentication by validating its secret credentials and then sends the AKE request to MS. After achieving the mutual authentication both  $UR_x$  and MS establish SK to achieve the indecipherable communication. Following steps are imperative to execute to accomplish the AKE process.

### 1) Step AKE-1

inputs password  $PSW_{UR_x}^l$ , and identity  $ID_{UR_x}^l$ , imprints bio-metric  $BIO_{UR_x}$  and computes the followings

$$BIK_{UR_x}^l = Rep(BIO_{UR_x}^l, RP), \quad (3)$$

$$P_l = H(ID_{UR_x}^l \parallel PSW_{UR_x}^l) \text{ and } AD_l = R_{UR_x} \quad (4)$$

$$Ke_l = (P_l^a \oplus P_l^b) \oplus BIK_{UR_x}^l, \quad (5)$$

$$(PT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}^l) = \mathcal{D}_{Ke_l} \{(AD_l), CT_{UR_x}\}, \quad (6)$$

where  $BIK_{UR_x}^l$  is the bio-metric key of associated with  $UR_x$ , which is obtained by using  $Rep(\cdot)$  function of of  $FE$ . The parameter  $P_1$  is determined by performing hash operation on  $ID_{UR_x}$  and  $PSW_{UR_x}$ . Moreover, the secret encryption key  $Ke_l$  is determined by concatenating  $(P_l^a \oplus P_l^b)$  and  $BIK_{UR_x}^l$ , where  $P_l^a$  and  $P_l^b$  are derived from  $P_l$ . Furthermore,  $PT_{UR_x}$  and  $Tag_{UR_x}^l$  are the output of the ASCON

decryption algorithm. Finally, smart user device  $UD_x$  checks the the following condition

$$Tag_{UR_x}^l \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_{UR_x}. \quad (7)$$

If the condition does not hold,  $UD_x$  promptly terminates the AKE process and generates the login failure message. Otherwise,  $UD_x$  retrieves  $PT_{UR_x} = \{PID, SP_{UR_x}\}$  and proceeds with the AKE process and picks  $R_a$ ,  $R_b$ , and  $TS_1$ . In addition to this,  $UD_x$  computes

$$P_3 = H(PID \parallel R_b \parallel TS_1) \quad (8)$$

$$AD_2 = (P_3^a \oplus P_3^b), \quad (9)$$

$$Ke_1 = (P_l^a \oplus P_l^b), \quad (10)$$

$$(CT_1, Tag_1) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke_1} \{(AD_2), R_a\}, \quad (11)$$

where  $Ke_1$  is secret key used in the encryption process. Finally,  $UD_x$  constructs the message  $MES_1 : \{TS_1, PID, CT_1, Tag_1, R_b\}$  and disseminates  $MES_1$  to MS through open channel.

### 2) Step AKE-2

On receiving  $MES_1$ , MS corroborates the freshness of the  $MES_1$  by checking the condition  $Td \geq |Tre - TS_1|$ , where  $Td$  is the allowed message delay,  $Tre$  represents the  $MES_1$ 's receive time, and  $TS_1$  signifies  $MES_1$ 's generation time. If it holds, MS computes

$$MP_2 = H(ID_{MS} \parallel MK_{MS}), \quad (12)$$

$$MP_2 \oplus PID = (TID_{UR_x} \parallel NP), \quad (13)$$

$$P_1 = (TID_{UR_x} \oplus NP) \quad (14)$$

$$Ke_2 = (P_1^a \oplus P_1^b), \quad (15)$$

$$P_3 = H(PID \parallel R_b \parallel TS_1), \quad (16)$$

$$AD_3 = (P_3^a \oplus P_3^b), \quad (17)$$

$$(R_a, Tag_2) = \mathcal{D}_{Ke_2} \{(AD_3), CT_1\}, \quad (18)$$

where  $MP_2$  is parameter generated by using the hash function with inputs  $ID_{MS}$  and  $MK_{MS}$ . The parameter  $P_1$  is obtained from (14) and  $Ke_2$  is derived in (15), where  $P_1$  is divided into two chunks. The parameter  $P_3$  is obtained from (16) and  $AD_3$  is determined from (17), where  $P_3$  is divided into two chunks. Finally, by using ASCON decryption process, MS generates the parameter  $Tag_2$ . In addition, MS validates  $Tag_1 \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_2$ , if holds, MS retrieves  $R_a$ . Moreover, MS computes

$$Q_5 = H(P_1 \parallel MK_{MS}) \text{ and } SID = (Q_5^a \oplus Q_5^b). \quad (19)$$

The parameter  $Q_5$  is obtained by performing the hash operation on the parameter  $P_1$  and  $MK_{MS}$  and  $SID$  is derived after performing XORing  $Q_5^a$  and  $Q_5^b$ , which are two parts of  $Q_5$ .  $SID$  is used to retrieves the secret parameter  $SP_{UR_x}$ .

from the database of MS. Furthermore, MS picks  $TS_2$ ,  $R_c$ , and  $NP_2$ , and computes

$$QM = H(MK_{MS} \parallel P_1 \parallel ID_{MS}), \quad (20)$$

$$Ke_3 = (QM^a \oplus QM^b) \oplus R_a, \quad (21)$$

$$TID_{UR_x}^n = (P_1 \oplus NP_2), \quad (22)$$

$$PID^{new} = (TID_{UR_x}^n \parallel NP_2) \oplus MP_2, \quad (23)$$

$$SK_{MS} = H(P_3 \parallel P_1 \parallel R_a \parallel R_c \parallel PID^{new}), \quad (24)$$

$$SKv = (SK_{MS}^a \oplus SK_{MS}^b), \quad (25)$$

$$PT_{MS} = (PID^{new} \parallel R_c \parallel SKv), \quad (26)$$

$$(CT_2, Tag_3) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke_3}\{(AD_4), PT_{MS}\}, \quad (27)$$

where  $Ke_3$  is the secret key which is used in the encryption process, which is derived by splitting  $QM$  into two parts.  $PID^{new}$  is the new pseudo identity, which is will be used  $UR_x$  to accomplish the new AKE session. In addition, we derive as  $AD_3 = AD_4$ , where  $AD_3$  is derived in (17).  $SK_{SM}$  denotes the session key, which is used to ensure the encrypted communication with  $UR_x$ .  $SKv$  is the session key verification parameter and its size is 128 bits, which used to validate the SK at user side. The parameter  $PT_{MS}$  denotes the plaintext, which is generated by concatenating  $R_c$ ,  $PID^{new}$ , and  $SKv$ . Moreover, MS by using ASCON encryption algorithm generates the parameters  $CT_2$  and  $Tag_3$ . Finally, MS contrives the message  $MES_2 : \{TS_2, CT_2, Tag_3\}$  and dispatches  $MES_2$  to  $UR_x$  via open communication channel.

### 3) Step AKE-3

On receiving  $MES_2$ ,  $UD_x$  checks the freshness of  $MES_2$  by validating the condition  $Td \geq |Tre - TS_2|$ . If  $MES_2$  is fresh,  $UD_x$  determines  $AD_5 = AD_1$  and  $Ke_4 = (SP_{UR_x} \oplus R_a)$ . In addition, By using ASCON decryption algorithm,  $UD_x$  computes

$$(PT_{MS}, Tag_4) = \mathcal{D}_{Ke_4}\{(AD_5), CT_2\} \quad (28)$$

and checks the condition  $Tag_4 \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_3$ , if it holds,  $UD_x$  considers  $MES_2$  as a valid message and procures  $PT_{MS} = (PID^{new} \parallel R_c \parallel SKv)$ , which is the plaintext. Moreover to ensure the encrypted communication with MS,  $UD_x$  computes SK as follows

$$SK_{UR_x} = H(P_3 \parallel P_1 \parallel R_a \parallel R_c \parallel PID^{new}). \quad (29)$$

Furthermore,  $UD_x$  computes  $SKv_1 = (SK_{UR_x}^a \oplus SK_{UR_x}^b)$  and checks the condition  $SKv \stackrel{?}{=} SKv_1$ . If the condition is satisfied,  $UD_x$  updates  $PID$  with  $PID^{new}$  and determines  $PT_{UR_x}^{new} = \{PID^{new}, SP_{UR_x}\}$ . In addition to this,  $UD_x$  picks  $R_{UR_x}^{new}$  and computes

$$(CT_{UR_x}^{new}, Tag_{UR_x}^{new}) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke_1}\{(AD_6), PT_{UR_x}^{new}\}. \quad (30)$$

where  $AD_6 = R_{UR_x}^{new}$ . Finally,  $UD_x$  updates  $\{R_{UR_x}, CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}\}$  with  $\{R_{UR_x}^{new}, CT_{UR_x}^{new}, Tag_{UR_x}^{new}\}$  in its own memory. The AKE phase of REAS-TMIS is summarized in Fig.2.

## D. RV PHASE

If an adversary loses his smart device or card,  $UR_x$  can procure new device as follows. To accomplish RV phase,  $UR_x$  needs to compute  $P_1 = H(ID_{UR_x} \parallel PSW_{UR_x}^o)$  and sends  $P_1$  to RC. RC derives  $SID$  as  $SID = (W_2^a \oplus W_2^b)$ . In addition to this, RC searches  $SID$  from the database of MS, if it is found, MS removes the record related to  $SID$ . After that  $UR_x$  start the new registration process. For the new registration process we follow the same process as executed in Step URR-1 to Step URR-3.

## E. PUD PHASE

To enhance the security of TMIS, it is necessary for  $UR_x$  to update its password frequently. The proposed REAS-TMIS renders the functionality.  $UR_x$  need to execute the following necessary step to update its password.

### 1) Step PUD-1

$UR_x$  enters its old secret credentials, such as  $PSW_{UR_x}^o$  and  $ID_{UR_x}$  and imprints its bio-metric information  $BIO_{UR_x}^o$  at the available interface of  $UD_x$ . Moreover,  $UD_x$  computes  $BIK_{UR_x}^o = Rep(BIO_{UR_x}^o, RP)$ ,  $P_o = H(ID_{UR_x} \parallel PSW_{UR_x}^o)$ ,  $AD_l^o = R_{UR_x}^o Ke_o = (P_o^a \oplus P_o^b) \oplus BIK_{UR_x}^o$ ,  $(PT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}^o) = \mathcal{D}_{Ke_o}\{(AD_l^o), CT_{UR_x}\}$ . Finally,  $UD_x$  validates condition  $Tag_{UR_x}^o \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_{UR_x}$ . If its holds,  $UD_x$  sends a message to  $UR_x$  to enter new secret credentials.

### 2) Step PUD-2

$UR_x$  picks new random number  $R_{UR_x}^n$  and password  $PSW_{UR_x}^n$ . In addition,  $UR_x$  imprints fresh bio-metric information on  $UD_x$  and computes  $(BIK_{UR_x}^n, RP^n) = Gen(BIO_{UR_x}^n, W_n = H(ID_{UR_x} \parallel PSW_{UR_x}^n))$ , and  $P_1^n = (W_n^a \oplus W_n^b)$ . In addition to this,  $UR_x$  calculates  $AD_1^n = R_{UR_x}^n$  and  $Ke_l^n = P_1^n \oplus BIK_{UR_x}^n$ . Moreover,  $UR_x$  by using ASCON encryption computes  $(CT_{UR_x}^n, Tag_{UR_x}^n) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke_l^n}\{(AD_1^n), PT_{UR_x}^n\}$ , where  $PT_{UR_x}^n = \{PID, SP_{UR_x}\}$ . Finally,  $UR_x$  updates the credentials  $\{CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}, Gen(\cdot), Rep(\cdot), RP, R_{UR_x}\}$  with  $\{CT_{UR_x}^n, Tag_{UR_x}^n, Gen(\cdot), Rep(\cdot), RP^n, R_{UR_x}^n\}$  in its own memory.

## V. SECURITY ANALYSIS

In this section, the resiliency of the proposed REAS-TMIS against various security treats is demonstrated by conducting informal analysis and SK security is proved through ROM based formal security analysis. In addition to this, the security of REAS-TMIS is illustrated through Scyther-based validation.

### A. INFORMAL SECURITY ANALYSIS

This subsection demonstrates the informal security analysis of REAS-TMIS scheme, to show its resistance against various security attacks.

User $UR_x$	Medical Server $MS$
$\{CT_{xUR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}, Gen(\cdot), Rep(\cdot), R_{UR_x}, RP\}$	$\{SID, SP_{UR_x}\}$
<p>inputs password <math>PSW_{UR_x}^l</math>, and identity <math>ID_{UR_x}^l</math>, imprints bio-metric <math>BIO_{UR_x}</math> and computes <math>BIK_{UR_x}^l = Rep(BIO_{UR_x}^l, RP)</math>, <math>P_l = H(ID_{UR_x}^l    PSW_{UR_x}^l)</math>, <math>AD_l = R_{UR_x}</math>, <math>Ke_l = (P_l^a \oplus P_l^b) \oplus BIK_{UR_x}^l</math>, <math>(PT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}^l) \stackrel{?}{=} \mathcal{D}_{Ke_l}\{(AD_l), CT_{UR_x}\}</math>, verifies the condition <math>Tag_{UR_x}^l = Tag_{UR_x}</math>, if holds, picks <math>R_a, R_b</math>, and <math>TS_1</math> and computes <math>P_3 = H(PID    R_b    TS_1)</math>, <math>AD_2 = (P_3^a \oplus P_3^b)</math>, <math>Ke_1 = (P_l^a \oplus P_l^b)</math>, <math>(CT_1, Tag_1) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke_1}\{(AD_2), R_a\}</math>,</p> <p><math>MES_1: \{TS_1, PID, CT_1, Tag_1, R_b\}</math>  <math>(UR_x \rightarrow MS)</math></p> <p>checks <math>Td \geq  Tre - TS_2 </math>, if so, computes <math>AD_5 = AD_1</math>, <math>Ke_4 = (SP_{UR_x} \oplus R_a)</math>, <math>(PT_{MS}, Tag_4) = \mathcal{D}_{Ke_4}\{(AD_5), CT_2\}</math>, <math>Tag_4 \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_3</math>, if it holds, <math>PT_{MS} = (PID^{new}    R_c    SKv)</math>, <math>SK_{UR_x} = H(P_3    P_1    R_a    R_c    PID^{new})</math>, computes <math>SKv_1 = (SK_{UR_x}^a \oplus SK_{UR_x}^b)</math>, checks <math>SKv \stackrel{?}{=} SKv_1</math>, updates <math>PID</math> with <math>PID^{new}</math>, determines <math>PT_{UR_x}^{new} = \{PID^{new}, SP_{UR_x}\}</math>, <math>(CT_{UR_x}^{new}, Tag_{UR_x}^{new}) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke_1}\{(AD_6), PT_{UR_x}^{new}\}</math> updates <math>\{R_{UR_x}, CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}\}</math> with <math>\{R_{UR_x}^{new}, CT_{UR_x}^{new}, Tag_{UR_x}^{new}\}</math>, where <math>AD_6 = R_{UR_x}^{new}</math>.</p>	<p>checks <math>Td \geq  Tre - TS_1 </math>, if holds, computes <math>MP_2 = H(ID_{MS}    MK_{MS})</math>, <math>MP_2 \oplus PID = (TID_{UR_x}    NP)</math>, <math>P_1 = (TID_{UR_x} \oplus NP)</math>, <math>Ke_2 = (P_1^a \oplus P_1^b)</math>, <math>P_3 = H(PID    R_b    TS_1)</math>, <math>AD_3 = (P_3^a \oplus P_3^b)</math>, <math>(R_a, Tag_2) = \mathcal{D}_{Ke_2}\{(AD_3), CT_1\}</math>, validates <math>Tag_1 \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_2</math>, if holds, <math>Q_5 = H(P_1    MK_{MS})</math>, <math>SID = (Q_5^a \oplus Q_5^b)</math>, retrieves <math>SP_{UR_x}</math> related to <math>SID</math>, picks <math>TS_2, R_c</math>, and <math>NP_2</math>, computes <math>QM = H(MK_{MS}    P_1    ID_{MS})</math>, <math>Ke_3 = (QM^a \oplus QM^b) \oplus R_a</math>, <math>TID_{UR_x}^n = (P_1 \oplus NP_2)</math>, <math>PID^{new} = ((TID_{UR_x}^n    NP_2) \oplus MP_2)</math>, <math>SK_{MS} = H(P_3    P_1    R_a    R_c    PID^{new})</math>, <math>SKv = (SK_{MS}^a \oplus SK_{MS}^b)</math>, <math>AD_3 = AD_4</math>, <math>PT_{MS} = (PID^{new}    R_c    SKv)</math>, <math>(CT_2, Tag_3) = \mathcal{E}_{Ke_3}\{(AD_4), PT_{MS}\}</math>,</p> <p><math>MES_2: \{TS_2, CT_2, Tag_3\}</math>  <math>(MS \leftarrow UR_x)</math></p>
$SK_{UR_x} (= SK_{MS}) = H(P_3    P_1    R_a    R_c    PID^{new})$	

Figure 2: Authentication phase of REAS-TMIS.

### 1) SMCL Attack

If  $\mathcal{A}$  obtained the smart device or card of  $UR_x$ . Then  $UR_x$  can procure the sensitive information, such as  $\{CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}, Gen(\cdot), Rep(\cdot), RP, R_{UR_x}\}$ , stored in the memory of  $UD_x$  or smart card and can perform various attacks on behalf of  $UR_x$ . However, the information stored in the memory of  $UR_x$  in encrypted form and  $\mathcal{A}$  can not extract ant useful information, such as  $\{PSW_{UR_x}, ID_{UR_x}, BIO_{UR_x}\}$  from the encrypted information to launch an attack. Therefore REAS-TMIS is capable of thwarting SMCL attack.

### 2) PGU/PUD Attack

In this attack, the objective of  $\mathcal{A}$ , after retrieving the critical information, i.e.,  $\{CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}, Gen(\cdot), Rep(\cdot), RP, R_{UR_x}\}$ , is to update the secret credentials, such as  $\{PSW_{UR_x}, ID_{UR_x}, BIO_{UR_x}\}$ . For this,  $\mathcal{A}$  picks the random credentials, such as  $\{PSW_{UR_x}^A, ID_{UR_x}^A, BIO_{UR_x}^A\}$  and computes  $BIK_{UR_x}^A = Rep(BIO_{UR_x}^A, RP)$ ,  $P_o = H(ID_{UR_x}^A || PSW_{UR_x}^A)$ ,  $AD_l^A = R_{UR_x}^A$ ,  $Ke_A = (P_o^a \oplus P_o^b) \oplus BIK_{UR_x}^A$ , and  $(PT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}^A) = \mathcal{D}_{Ke_o}\{(AD_l^A), CT_{UR_x}\}$ . Finally,  $UD_x$  checks the condition  $Tag_{UR_x}^A \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_{UR_x}$ . However,  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot not perform the decryption process without knowing the valid secret credentials of  $UR_x$ . In

addition, the bio-metric keys are difficult to predict/generate or guess. Therefore, REAS-TMIS is capable of resisting PGU/PUD attack.

### 3) Anonymity and Untraceability

REAS-TMIS ensure the anonymity of entities of the network. There are two messages exchanged, i.e.,  $MES_1 : \{TS_1, PID, CT_1, Tag_1, R_b\}$  and  $MES_2 : \{TS_2, CT_2, Tag_3\}$  to complete the AKE process. After capturing  $MES_1$  and  $MES_2$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot extract the real identity of  $UR_x$  from  $PID = ((TID_{UR_x} || NP) \oplus MP)$ . Thus, REAS-TMIS capable of resisting IDGU attack. In addition,  $MES_1$  and  $MES_2$  are dynamic as they are generated using random numbers and current timestamps. Hence,  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot generate correlate the messages captured from two different AKE sessions. Therefore, REAS-TMIS ensure the URA and untraceability features.

### 4) Replay Attack

As described in Sections IV-C, during the AKE process, the exchanged messages incorporate the latest current timestamps. During the AKE phase, the exchanged message procuring entities verify the timestamp received with the messages to guarantee it is not greater than the allowed time

delay  $T_d$ . Therefore, REAS-TMIS is resistant to replay attack.

#### 5) MATM Attack

To effectuate MATM attack,  $\mathcal{A}$  expropriates the message  $MES_1 : \{TS_1, PID, CT_1, Tag_1, R_b\}$  communicated during the AKE process.  $\mathcal{A}$  then generates messages with modified parameters, such as  $MES'_1 : \{TS'_1, PID', CT'_1, Tag'_1, R'_b\}$  and disseminates the  $MES'_1$  to MS. After receiving  $MES'_1$  checks the condition  $Tag_1 \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_2$  to ensure the authenticity of the received  $MES'_1$ . This will not hold because it is hard for  $\mathcal{A}$  to generate a valid message on behalf of  $UR_x$  without knowing its secret credentials  $P_1$  and  $SP_{UR_x}$ . In addition,  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot succeed in generating a valid message  $MES_2 : \{TS_2, CT_2, Tag_3\}$  without knowing the secret credentials of MS, such as  $P_1, R_a, MK_{MS}$ , and  $SP_{UR_x}$ . Thus, REAS-TMIS is resilient against MATM attack.

#### 6) DoS Attack

In the proposed REAS-TMIS,  $UR_x$  can send the AKE request to MS after achieving the local authentication. Local authentication phase prevents  $UR_x$  from sending a large volume of AKE request to MS to overwhelm the message processing resources of MS. So, in REAS-TMIS,  $UD_x$  checks the condition  $Tag_{UR_x}^l \stackrel{?}{=} Tag_{UR_x}$  to accomplish local authentication. In this way, REAS-TMIS is capable of resisting DoS attack.

#### 7) Impersonation Attack

To deploy URIM attack,  $\mathcal{A}$  captures the message  $MES_1 : \{TS_1, PID, CT_1, Tag_1, R_b\}$  disseminated during the AKE process and fabricates  $MES'_1$ , which is a modified message.  $\mathcal{A}$  then disseminates the  $MES'_1$  to MS to make believe MS that  $MES'_1$  is from a legitimate entity of the network. However,  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot succeed in generating a licit  $MES_1$  with out knowing the secret credential  $P_1$  and  $SP_{UR_x}$ . In addition,  $\mathcal{A}$  succeed in generating  $MES_2 : \{TS_2, CT_2, Tag_3\}$  without knowing the secret credentials  $P_1, R_a, MK_{MS}$ , and  $SP_{UR_x}$ . Thus, REAS-TMIS is resilient against URIM and SIM attacks.

#### 8) EPLE Attack

In the proposed REAS-TMIS, SK is construed as  $SK_{UR_x} (= SK_{MS}) = H(P_3 \parallel P_1 \parallel R_a \parallel R_c \parallel PID^{new})$ , where  $P_3 = H(PID \parallel R_b \parallel TS_1)$ ,  $P_1 = (W_1^a \oplus W_2^b)$ , and  $PID^{new} = ((TID_{UR_x}^n \parallel NP_2) \oplus MP_2)$ . It is obvious, that  $SK_{UR_x} (= SK_{MS})$  is constructed using ephemeral secrets (ES), such as  $\{R_a, R_c, R_b, NP\}$  and long-term secrets (LTS), such as  $\{P_1, MK_{MS}, SP_{UR_x}\}$ . Therefore, to compromise SK,  $\mathcal{A}$  requires to know both ES and LTS. Thus, REAS-TMIS is resistant to EPLE attack.

### B. ROM-BASED FORMAL SECURITY ANALYSIS

This section renders the ROM-based analysis of the proposed REAS-TMIS protocol to verify SK's security, established

between  $UR_x$  and MS. Under the ROM, the security of the proposed REAS-TMIS is given in Theorem 1. According to the ROM of the REAS-TMIS the  $t^{th}$  instance of an entity  $\Psi$  is denoted by  $\Psi^p$ . Moreover,  $UR_x$  and MS are denoted as the entities  $\Psi_{UR_x}$  and  $\Psi_{MS}$ , and their  $t_1^{th}$  and  $t_2^{th}$  instances are represented as  $\Psi_{UR_x}^{p1}$  and  $\Psi_{MS}^{p2}$ , respectively. The hash function (SHA-256) is irreversible and collision resistant, which is modeled as random oracle *Shash*. Moreover, the ROM describes the queries Tabulated in Table 3, which are utilized by  $\mathcal{A}$  to simulate an attack.

**Definition 1.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  is polynomial time *plt* adversary running against the AEAD scheme and effectuates *Que* queries of length *lth*, then  $\mathcal{A}$ 's online chosen ciphertext attack (OCCA3) advantage can be described as follows [50]–[52].

$$Ad_{\varphi, \mathcal{A}}^{OCCA3}(plt) \leq Ad_{\varphi}^{OPRP-CPA}(Que, lth, plt) + Ad_{\varphi}^{INT-CTXT}(Que, lth, plt), \quad (31)$$

where  $Ad_{\varphi}^{INT-CTXT}$  signifies  $\mathcal{A}$ 's advantage on integrity of the ciphertext and  $Ad_{\varphi}^{OPRP-CPA}$  denotes  $\mathcal{A}$ 's advantage on online pseudo-random permutation chosen-plaintext attack.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  running against REAS-TMIS in *plt* to acquire the constructed SK, established between  $UR_x$  and MS during the AKE phase.  $\mathcal{A}$ 's advantage to break SK's security can be defined as follows

$$Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{REAS-TMIS}(plt) \leq \frac{HSQ_{que}^2}{|Shash|} + \frac{SQ_{que}}{2^{lbbk-1}|PSD|} + 2 \cdot Ad_{ASCON, \mathcal{A}}^{OCCA3}(plt), \quad (32)$$

where  $|PSD|$ ,  $HSQ_{que}$ ,  $|Shash|$ ,  $SQ_{que}$ , and  $Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{OCCA3}(plt)$  denote the password dictionary, hash queries, output size of hash function, send queries, and  $\mathcal{A}$ 's advantage on an AEAD scheme.

*Proof.* We define the following five games ( $Gm_h | h = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) to establish the proof of theorem 1. In addition  $\mathcal{A}$ 's advantage in breaking SK's security is represented as  $Ad_{\mathcal{A}, Gm_k}^{REAS-TMIS} = |2 \cdot Pr[sc] - 1|$ , where " $Pr[sc]$ " represents an event, in which  $\mathcal{A}$  wins by guessing the correct bit  $B$  in  $Gm_h$ . Under ROM, REAS-TMIS is contemplated as protected if  $Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{REAS-TMIS}$  is insignificant.

$Gm_0$  : Under ROM, in this game, an actual attack is launched by  $\mathcal{A}$  against the proposed REAS-TMIS.  $\mathcal{A}$  at the starting of  $Gm_0$  selects "bit  $B$ ". Thus, the following can be achieved

$$Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{REAS-TMIS}(plt) = |2 \cdot Ad_{\mathcal{A}, Gm_0}^{REAS-TMIS} - 1|. \quad (33)$$

$Gm_1$  : This models the eavesdropping attack, wherein  $\mathcal{A}$  expropriates the messages, i.e,  $MES_1 : \{TS_1, PID, CT_1, Tag_1, R_b\}$  and  $MES_2 : \{TS_2, CT_2, Tag_3\}$ , which are communicate via the public communication channel using *Execute*( $\Psi_{UR_x}^{p2}, \Psi_{MS}^{t3}$ ) query. After expropriating  $MES_1$  and  $MES_2$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  attempts to constructs the session key and performs *Reveal* and *Test* to validate whether the constructed key is real key or a random number. As discussed in the



Table 3: Explanation of Various ROM Queries

Query	Purpose
$Send(\Psi^P, Msg)$	This query executed by $\mathcal{A}$ to generate an active attack by sending a message $Msg$ to $\Psi^{P1}$ and $\Psi^{P2}$ also respond to the received message accordingly.
$Test(\Psi^P)$	This query executed by $\mathcal{A}$ to verify whether derived SK is correct or random output jut like the outcome of a flipped coin, say $B$ .
$Reveal(\Psi^P)$	This query executed by $\mathcal{A}$ to procure SK, established to ensure the indecipherable communication between $\Psi^{P1}$ and its associated entity.
$CorruptUR(\Psi_{UR_x}^{P1})$	This query executed by $\mathcal{A}$ to procure secret/sensitive credentials stored in the memory of $UR_x$ by using PA attack.
$Execute(\Psi_{UR_x}^{P1}, \Psi_{MS}^{P2})$	This query executed by $\mathcal{A}$ to capture all the disseminated messages between $UR_x$ and MS.

Section IV-C, the established SK  $SK_{UR_x}(= SK_{MS}) = H(P_3 \parallel P_1 \parallel R_a \parallel R_c \parallel PID^{new})$  is constructed by utilizing ES  $\{R_a, R_b\}$  and LTS  $\{P_1, ID_{MS}, ID_{UR_x}, SP_{UR_x}\}$ , which are unknown to  $\mathcal{A}$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{A}$  derive SK. Thus,  $G_{m_0}$  and  $G_{m_1}$  are indistinguishable and following can be achieved.

$$Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_0}}^{REAS-TMIS} = Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_1}}^{REAS-TMIS}. \quad (34)$$

$G_{m_2}$  : By the simulating the *Hash* oracle,  $\mathcal{A}$  attempts to effectuate an active attack. During the AKE process,  $MES_1$  incorporates  $PID = ((TID_{UR_x}) \parallel NP) \oplus MP$ , which is protected by  $MP = H(ID_{MS} \parallel MK_{MS})$  and  $MP$  is protected by hash function (SHA-256). AS the hash function is irreversible and collision resistant. Thus,  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot extract the sensitive parameter  $P_1$  from  $PID$ . Therefore, by birthday paradox, we can deduce

$$|Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_1}}^{REAS-TMIS} - Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_2}}^{REAS-TMIS}| \leq \frac{HSQ_{que}^2}{2|Shash|}. \quad (35)$$

$G_{m_3}$  : In  $G_{m_3}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  effectuates an active attack by utilizing the *CorruptUR*( $\Psi_{UR_x}^{P1}$ ) query (defined in Table 3). By utilizing this,  $\mathcal{A}$  can extricate the information, such as  $\{CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}, Gen(\cdot), Rep(\cdot), RP, R_{UR_x}\}$  stored in the memory of  $UD_x$  by utilizing PA attack. However, in REAS-TMIS, the stored information are in the encrypted form and encryption is performed using the credentials  $\{PSW_{UR_x}, ID_{UR_x}, BIK_{UR_x}\}$ , where  $BIK_{UR_x}$  (barometric key) is difficult to guess and generate. Thus, without the knowledge of valid credentials  $\{PSW_{UR_x}, ID_{UR_x}, BIK_{UR_x}\}$ , it is impractical for  $\mathcal{A}$  to extract the secret credentials used in the AKE process. Moreover, the length of the bio-metric key is  $\frac{1}{2^{lbbk}}$ , where  $lbbk$  denotes the length of bio-metric key. Therefore, the probability of guessing  $BIK_{UR_x}$  is negligible. In addition to this, only a limited number wrong password attempts are allowed. Under these, condition following can be deduced

$$|Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_2}}^{REAS-TMIS} - Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_3}}^{REAS-TMIS}| \leq \frac{SQ_{que}}{2^{lbbk-1}|PSD|}. \quad (36)$$

$G_{m_4}$  : In  $G_{m_4}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  lunches an active attack against by eavesdropping the exchanged messages, such as  $MES_1 : \{TS_1, PID, CT_1, Tag_1, R_b\}$  and  $MES_2 : \{TS_2, CT_2, Tag_3\}$ . After capturing  $MES_1$  and  $MES_2$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  to extract the secret parameter, which are used to construct SK. However, these secret parameters are encrypted with ASCON, which is an AEAD scheme. Therefore,  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot extract the secret

credential from the encrypted information. Thus, by the definition (1), we can deduced

$$|Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_3}}^{REAS-TMIS} - Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_4}}^{REAS-TMIS}| \leq Ad_{ASCON, \mathcal{A}}^{OCCA3}(plt). \quad (37)$$

To this end, all the relevant queries associated with the above  $G_{m_z}$  are accomplished. The only event is left to imagine the arbitrary bit  $B'$  after accomplishing the *Reveal* and *Test* queries. Consequently, we have

$$Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_4}}^{REAS-TMIS} = \frac{1}{2}. \quad (38)$$

From (33) and (34), we get

$$Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{REAS-TMIS}(plt) = |2 \cdot Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_0}}^{REAS-TMIS} - 1|. \quad (39)$$

From (39), we get

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{REAS-TMIS}(plt) = |Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_1}}^{REAS-TMIS} - \frac{1}{2}|. \quad (40)$$

By using (38) and (40), we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{REAS-TMIS}(plt) = |Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_1}}^{REAS-TMIS} - Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_4}}^{REAS-TMIS}| \quad (41)$$

By employing triangular inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \cdot Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{REAS-TMIS}(plt) &\leq |Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_1}}^{REAS-TMIS} - Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_2}}^{REAS-TMIS}| \\ &\quad + |Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_2}}^{REAS-TMIS} - Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_3}}^{REAS-TMIS}| \\ &\quad + |Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_3}}^{REAS-TMIS} - Ad_{\mathcal{A}, G_{m_4}}^{REAS-TMIS}|. \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

By using (35), (36), (37), and (42), we get

$$Ad_{\mathcal{A}}^{REAS-TMIS}(plt) \leq \frac{HSQ_{que}^2}{|Shash|} + \frac{SQ_{que}}{2^{lbbk-1}|PSD|} + 2 \cdot Ad_{ASCON, \mathcal{A}}^{OCCA3}(plt). \quad (43)$$

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### C. SCYTHYER BASED FORMAL SECURITY VERIFICATION

Scyther [53] is a python-based software tool used to verify the security of a security scheme. We use the Scyther tool to validate the security robustness of REAS-TMIS against various covert and pernicious security threats. Scyther can identify different security lapses efficiently. Scyther has found its footprints in the extensive utilization in validating and analyzing AKE schemes or security protocols. Scyther

Claim	Status	Comments
REAS_TMIS UR Secret: H(H(XOR(XOR(H(DUR,PSWUR),NP),NP,H(DMS,MKM...	OK	No attacks within bounds.
REAS_TMIS UR2 Alive	OK	No attacks within bounds.
REAS_TMIS UR3 Niagree	OK	No attacks within bounds.
REAS_TMIS UR4 Nisynch	OK	No attacks within bounds.
MS REAS_TMIS M51 Secret: H(H(XOR(XOR(H(DUR,PSWUR),NP),NP,H(DMS,MKM...	OK	No attacks within bounds.
REAS_TMIS M52 Alive	OK	No attacks within bounds.
REAS_TMIS M53 Niagree	OK	No attacks within bounds.
REAS_TMIS M54 Nisynch	OK	No attacks within bounds.

Figure 3: Security analysis of REAS-TMIS using Scyther.

presented superior performance contrasted to existing tools employed to verify AKE schemes' security.

REAS-TMIS is coded in Scyther utilizing Security Protocol Description Language (SPDL). In the SPDL script, there are two roles defined, i.e., (i) UR (user role) and (ii) MS (server role). In addition, we define the claims, such as  $claim(UR, Secret, SK)$  and  $claim(MS, Secret, SK)$  manually, which are validated by the Scyther as shown in Fig. 3. Moreover, the claims generated automatically by Scyther, such as for the user role, the  $claim(UR, Alive)$ ,  $claim(UR, Weakagree)$ ,  $claim(UR, Niagree)$ , and  $claim(UR, Nisynch)$  are verified. Moreover, for MS role, the  $claim(MS, Alive)$ ,  $claim(MS, Weakagree)$ ,  $claim(MS, Niagree)$ , and  $claim(MS, Nisynch)$  are also validated by Scyther as shown in Fig. 3. Therefore, REAS-TMIS is secure against various malicious security threats.

## VI. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

To evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of the proposed REAS-TMIS, we compare it with the related AKE schemes in terms of security functionalities and computational, communication, and storage overheads. The related AKE schemes include the scheme of Qui *et al.* [18], Kumari *et al.* [6], Mo *et al.* [35], Arshad *et al.* [54], and Ostad *et al.* [55]. In addition to this, to simulate  $UD_x$  and MS, we use the platform with specification given in Table 4. Moreover, we use the Python based "PyCrypto" library along with ASCON reference code to obtain the experimental execution time of various cryptographic primitives and ASCON. Table 5 tabulates the experimental computational complexities of different cryptographic primitives.

### A. COMPARISON SECURITY FUNCTIONALITIES

An AKE scheme must be secure to impede various security threats. Additionally, an AKE scheme must ensure the anonymity and untraceability of communicating entities. Table 6 provide a comparative analysis of REAS-TMIS and the related AKE schemes. The scheme of Kumari *et al.* [6] is unable to impede PGU, SMCL, PIN, URIM, and D-SYN attacks and cannot render URA features. The scheme of Qui *et al.* [18] is incapable of impeding URIM attack and unable to provide URA feature. The scheme of Mo *et al.* [35]

cannot render protection against replay, stolen verifier, DoS, and EPLE attacks. The scheme of Arshad *et al.* [54] cannot resist replay, MATM, PIN, and SIM attacks. Moreover, the scheme does not provide MA and URA features. The scheme of Ostad *et al.* [55] is incapable of preventing PGU, key compromise, and impersonation attacks. Contrarily, REAS-TMIS is secure and ensures the anonymous communication during the AKE phase.

### B. COMPUTATIONAL OVERHEAD

To compute the computational overhead required to accomplish the AKE process, we contemplate the computational complexities of various cryptographic primitive presented in Table 5. The computational overhead at the user device ( $UD_x$ ) side needed to accomplish the AKE phase is  $3T_{HS} + 4T_{AS} + T_B \approx 4.38$  ms, while the schemes of Qui *et al.* [18], Kumari *et al.* [6], Mo *et al.* [35], Arshad *et al.* [54], and Ostad *et al.* [55] require  $8T_{HS} + 2T_{ECC} \approx 8.46$  ms,  $12T_{HS} + 3T_{ECC} + 2T_{ENC} \approx 13.47$  ms,  $7T_{HS} + 3T_{ECC} + T_{ECA} \approx 11.09$  ms,  $8T_{HS} + 2T_{ECC} + T_M \approx 8.52$  ms, and  $11T_{HS} + 2T_{ECC} + 2T_{ECA} \approx 9.74$  ms, respectively, at  $UD_x$ , which are 48.23%, 67.48%, 60.5%, 48.59%, and 55.03%, respectively, higher than REAS-TMIS. Moreover, the computational overhead required by REAS-TMIS during the AKE process at MS side is  $3T_{HS} + 2T_{AS} \approx 0.38$  ms. Conversely, the computational overhead required by the schemes of Qui *et al.* [18], Kumari *et al.* [6], Mo *et al.* [35], Arshad *et al.* [54], and Ostad *et al.* [55] are  $5T_{HS} + 2T_{ECC} \approx 1.81$  ms,  $9T_{HS} + 3T_{ECC} + 2T_{ENC} \approx 2.82$  ms,  $6T_{HS} + 3T_{ECC} + T_{ECA} \approx 2.64$  ms,  $8T_{HS} + 2T_{ECC} + T_M + T_{inv} \approx 1.96$  ms, and  $8T_{HS} + 2T_{ECC} + 2T_{ECA} + 2T_{ENC} \approx 2.0$  ms, respectively, at MS, which are 79.01%, 86.52%, 85.61%, 80.61%, and 81%, respectively, higher than REAS-TMIS. Table 4 illustrates that the total computational overhead required by REAS-TMIS to accomplish the AKE process is 4.72 ms, which is 54.04%, 71.03%, 65.62%, 55.18%, 59.8% lower than the related AKE schemes. Furthermore, Fig 5 shows that the computational overhead increases when the number of users increase.

### C. COMMUNICATION OVERHEAD

To estimate the communication overhead, we consider the size of random numbers,  $Tag$ ,  $AD$   $PID$ , hash function output, timestamps, and ECC point 128, 128, 128, 256, 256, 32, and 320 bits, respectively. During the AKE phase of REAS-TMIS, two message are communicated, such as  $MES_1 : \{TS_1, PID, CT_1, Tag_1, R_b\}$  and  $MES_2 : \{TS_2, CT_2, Tag_3\}$  with size  $\{32 + 256 + 128 + 128 + 16\} = 560$  bits and  $\{32 + 512 + 128\} = 672$  bits, respectively. Total communication overhead is  $\{560 + 672\} = 1232$  bits. The scheme of Qui *et al.* [18], Kumari *et al.* [6], Mo *et al.* [35], Arshad *et al.* [54], and Ostad *et al.* [55] require 1536 bits, 1628 bits, 1674 bits, 2462 bits, and 1696 bits, respectively, which are 19.79%, 24.32%, 26.4%, 49.96%, and 27.36% higher than REAS-TMIS. A comparative analysis of the

Table 4: Specification of the Platform Used in the experimentation

Device/Platform	Specification
User smart device ( $U D_x$ )	Raspberry Pi-3 (R-Pi3) with $CPU$ : Quad core @1.2 GHz, and $RAM$ : 1GB, and $OS$ : Ubuntu 16.04 LTS (64-bit)
MS (server)	Intel(R) Core(TM)i7-6700 with $CPU$ : @3.40 GHz, $RAM$ : 8 GB and $OS$ : Ubuntu 16.04 LTS (64-bit)

Table 5: Computational Time of Various Cryptographic Operations

Notations	Cryptographic Operation	R-Pi3	MS
$T_{ECC}$	Computational time of ECC point multiplication	2.850 ms	0.780 ms
$T_{ENC}$	Computational time of Symmetric encryption	0.391 ms	0.02 ms
$T_{ECA}$	Computational time of ECC point addition	0.124 ms	.006 ms
$T_{inv}$	Computational time of modular inversion	-	.0045 ms
$T_M$	Computational time of modular multiplication	-	0.0025 ms
$T_{HS}$	Computational time of hash Function (16 bytes)	0.345 ms	0.039 ms
$T_{AS}$	Computational time of ASCON (AEAD scheme)	0.370 ms	.0351 ms
$T_B \approx T_{ECC}$	Computational time of $FE$ based bio-metric key reproduction	2.850 ms	.780 ms

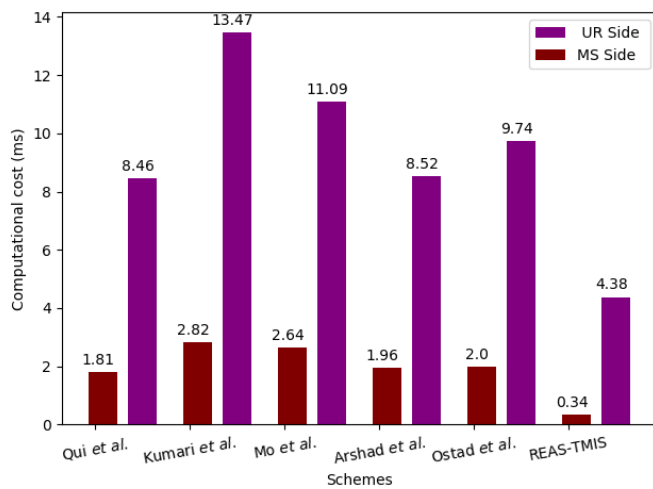


Figure 4: Computational cost at  $UR_x$  and MS side.

communication overhead between REAS-TMIS and related AKE schemes is given in Table 8.

### D. STORAGE OVERHEAD COMPARISON

In the proposed scheme,  $UR_x$  and MS require storing  $\{CT_{UR_x}, Tag_{UR_x}, Gen(\cdot), Rep(\cdot), RP, R_{UR_x}\}$  and  $\{SID, SP_{UR_x}\}$  of size  $\{256 + 128 + 128 + 160 + 128\} = 800$  bits and  $\{128 + 128\} = 256$  bits, respectively. Total memory requirement of REAS-TMIS is  $\{800 + 256\} = 1056$  bits. The scheme of Qui et al. [18], Kumari et al. [6], Mo et al. [35], Arshad et al. [54], and Ostad et al. [55] require storing 768 bits, 1312 bits, 1632 bits, 1660 bits, and 1920 bits, respectively. Storage overhead comparison is given in Fig 6. REAS-TMIS require slightly more memory requirements than Qui et al. [18]. However, REAS-TMIS provides enhanced security functionalities and requires low computational and communication overheads than the scheme of Qui et al. [18].

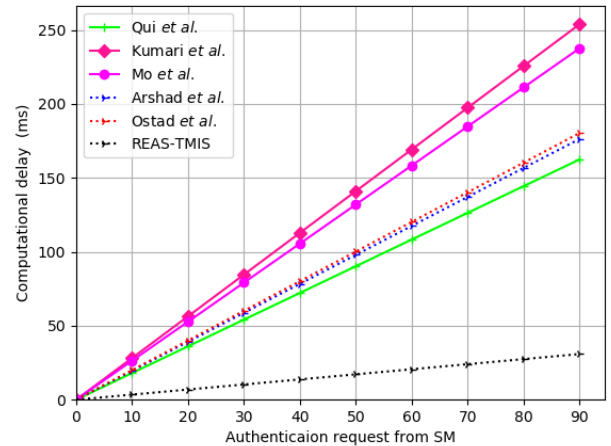


Figure 5: The computational cost rises at MS with increasing authentication requests from  $UR_x$

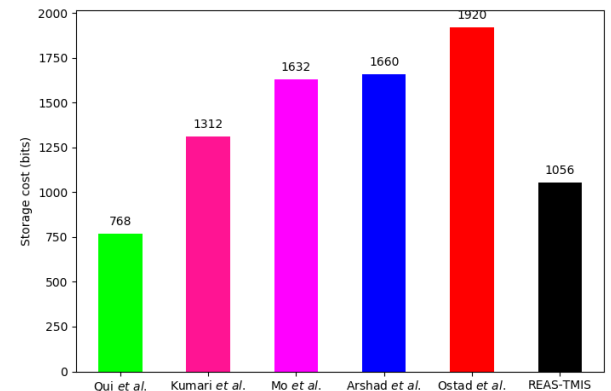


Figure 6: Comparative analysis of storage overhead.

### VII. CONCLUSION

Security and privacy are imperative for critical environments like TMIS where sensitive information is communicated through the public Internet. In this paper, we have used AEAD and hash function and proposed an AKE scheme, called REAS-TMIS, for the TMIS environment that enables users to efficiently make authentication and establish SK with MS. REAS-TMIS is computationally inexpensive and fitting for resource-constrained IoT devices in TMIS. Moreover, the scheme enables doctors and nurses to securely access the information stored at MS. Aside from this, we have formally proved the security of the SK through the ROM.

Table 6: Security Functionalities/Properties Comparison

Features	Kumari <i>et al.</i> [6]	Qui <i>et al.</i> [18]	Mo <i>et al.</i> [35]	Arshad <i>et al.</i> [54]	Ostad <i>et al.</i> [55]	REAS-TMIS
PIN	×	✓	✓	×	✓	✓
SIM	✓	✓	✓	×	✓	✓
PGU	×	✓	✓	✓	×	✓
URIM	×	×	✓	✓	×	✓
URA	×	×	✓	×	✓	✓
SMCL	×	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
MATM	✓	✓	✓	×	✓	✓
D-SYN	×	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DoS	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	✓
RA	✓	✓	×	×	✓	✓
EPLE	✓	✓	×	×	✓	✓
ROM	✓	✓	✓	×	✓	✓
SV	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	✓
KCA	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	✓

KCA: Key compromised attack; ✓: Represents the available functionality; ×: Represents the functionality is not applicable.

Table 7: Comparative Analysis Computational Time Required to Accomplish AKE Phase

Protocol/Scheme	Total Computational Time
Qui <i>et al.</i> [18]	$13T_{HS} + 4T_{ECC} \approx 10.27$ ms
Kumari <i>et al.</i> [6]	$21T_{HS} + 6T_{ECC} + 4T_{ENC} \approx 16.29$ ms
Mo <i>et al.</i> [35]	$13T_{HS} + 6T_{ECC} + 2T_{ECA} \approx 13.73$ ms
Arshad <i>et al.</i> [54]	$16T_{HS} + 4T_{ECC} + 2T + T_{inv} \approx 10.53$ ms
Ostad <i>et al.</i> [55]	$19T_{HS} + 4T_{ECC} + 4T_{ECA} + 2T_{ENC} \approx 11.74$ ms
REAS-TMIS	$8T_{HS} + 6T_{AS} + T_B \approx 4.72$ ms

Table 8: Communication Overhead Comparison

AC Protocol	Disseminated Messages During AKE Phase	Total (bits)
Qui <i>et al.</i> [18]	$UR_x \xrightarrow{832} MS \xrightarrow{576} UR_x \xrightarrow{256} MS$	1536
Kumari <i>et al.</i> [6]	$UR_x \xrightarrow{992} MS \xrightarrow{736} UR_x$	1628
Mo <i>et al.</i> [35]	$UR_x \xrightarrow{842} MS \xrightarrow{576} UR_x \xrightarrow{256} MS$	1674
Arshad <i>et al.</i> [54]	$UR_x \xrightarrow{1118} MS \xrightarrow{1088} UR_x \xrightarrow{256} MS$	2462
Ostad <i>et al.</i> [55]	$UR_x \xrightarrow{1120} MS \xrightarrow{576} UR_x$	1696
REAS-TMIS	$UR_x \xrightarrow{560} MS \xrightarrow{672} UR_x$	1232

Moreover, we have also proved, through informal analysis, the strength of the scheme against various security attacks, such as replay, impersonation, and DoS attacks. Additionally, we have executed Scyther-based formal security analysis and have showed the security strength of the scheme. Moreover, a comparison with the state-of-the-art is presented to show that REAS-TMIS incurs 54.04% low computational and 19.79% low communication overheads while providing the enhanced security features than the related AKE scheme.

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