

# A Study on Secure Storage of Dynamic Audit Services in Cloud

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**ABSTRACT:** Data integrity and storage efficiency are two important requirements for cloud storage. Proof of Retrievability (POR) and Proof of Data Possession (PDP) techniques assure data integrity for cloud storage. Proof of Ownership (POW) improves storage efficiency by securely removing unnecessarily duplicated data on the storage server. The cloud storage service (CSS) relieves the burden for storage management and maintenance. Fragment Structure, random sampling and index table is used to construct the Audit service. These techniques are supported provable updates to cloud outsourced data. The third party auditing allow to save time and computation resources with reduced online burden of the user. In this work, a method based on Probabilistic query and periodic verification for improving the performance of audit services and also audit system verifies the integrity.

**KEYWORDS:** Cloud Storage Service, Cloud Service Provider, Third Party Audit, Public Verification Parameter, Provable Data Possession.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Cloud computing consists a collection of computers and servers that are publicly accessible via the Internet. User access the data's and will pay as per user basis. Cloud computing has four essential characteristics: elasticity and the ability to scale up and down, self-service provisioning and automatic deprovisioning, application programming interfaces (APIs), billing and metering of service usage in a pay-as-you-go model. While Cloud Computing makes these advantages more appealing than ever, it also brings new and challenging security threats towards users' outsourced data. Since cloud service providers (CSP) are separate administrative entities, data outsourcing is actually relinquishing user's ultimate control over the fate of their data. The correctness of the data in the cloud is being put at risk due to the following reasons. First of all, although the infrastructures under the cloud are much more powerful and reliable than personal computing devices, they are still facing the broad range of both internal and external threats for data integrity and storage management. The cloud storage service (CSS) relieves the burden of storage management and maintenance. However, if such an important service is vulnerable to attacks or failures, it would bring irretrievable losses to users since their data or archives are stored into an uncertain storage pool outside the enterprises. The capability provided to the consumer is to use the provider's applications running on a cloud infrastructure. The applications are accessible from different client devices through a thin client interface such as a web browser (e.g., web-based email). The consumer does not manage or control the underlying cloud infrastructure including network, servers, operating systems, storage data, or even individual application capabilities, with the possible exception of limited user-specific application configuration settings.

## II. BACKGROUND AND RELATED WORKS

1. In Yan Zhu [1] used a quantified new audit approach based on probabilistic queries and periodic verification, as well as an optimization method of parameters of cloud audit services. This method greatly reduced the workload on the storage servers. Cloud computing is securely constructed with TPA based on Provable data possession technique. Cloud storage reduced the client's burden for storage management and maintenance. It provided a low cost, scalable, location-independent platform. Audit services avoided the security risks and to achieve digital forensics and credibility on cloud computing. This technique was a cryptographic based for verifying the integrity of data without retrieving it at an un trusted server, can be used to realize audit services. PDP protocol is used to prevent the fraudulence of hackers and the leakage of verified data (zero-knowledge property).

2. Q. Wang[2]solved the problem of ensuring the integrity of data storage in Cloud Computing. The task is assigned to allow a third party auditor (TPA), on behalf of the cloud client, to verify the integrity of the dynamic data stored in the cloud. The TPA eliminated the involvement of the client through the auditing of whether his/her data stored in the cloud is indeed intact, which can be important in achieving economies of scale for Cloud Computing While prior works on ensuring remote data integrity often lacked the support of either public audit ability or dynamic data operations, this

project achieves both. First identify the difficulties and potential security problems of direct extensions with fully dynamic data updated from prior works and then displayed how to construct an elegant verification scheme for the seamless integration of these two salient features in our protocol design. In particular, to achieve efficient data dynamics, improve the existing proof of storage models by manipulating the classic Merkle Hash Tree construction for block tag authentication. To support efficient handling of multiple auditing tasks, the technique of bilinear aggregate signature to extend main result into a multi-user setting, where TPA can be performed multiple auditing tasks simultaneously. This paper delivered highly protection for cloud storage.

**3.** In Cloud Storage, users can be remotely stored their data and enjoy the on-demand high quality applications and services from a shared pool of configurable computing resources, without the burden of local data storage and maintenance. However, the fact that users no longer had physical possession of the outsourced data makes the data integrity protection in Cloud Computing a formidable task, especially for users with constrained computing resources. Moreover, users should be able to just use the cloud storage as if it is local, without worrying about the need to verify its integrity. Thus, enabling public audit ability for cloud storage was of critical importance so that users can resort to a third party auditor (TPA) to check the integrity of outsourced data and be worry-free. To securely introduce an effective TPA, the auditing process should bring in no new vulnerabilities towards user data privacy, and introduce no additional online burden to user. In this paper, they proposed a secure cloud storage system supporting privacy-preserving public auditing and extend their result to enable the TPA to perform audits for multiple users simultaneously and efficiently. Extensive security and performance analysis showed the proposed schemes were provably secure and highly efficient. Their experiment conducted on Amazon EC2 instance further demonstrated the fast performance of the design. Authors[3] completed their dynamic auditing system to be privacy preserving and it supported the batch auditing for multiple owners.

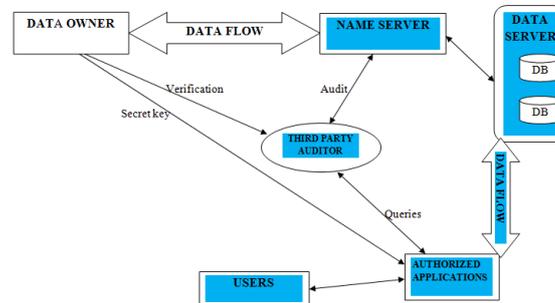
**4.** The client or data owner sent their data to data centre and utilized the service provided by the Cloud Service Provider (CSP)[8]. The CSP managed the data of client at data centre. If there was large number of clients is there who using the services of cloud then the management of data at data centre will be difficult and even some time for their mutual benefit of CSP (limited space available at Data Centre) it deleted some data of client which is not used by the client for a long time. So Third Party Auditor (TPA) who not only managed the data but also informed the client that how much CSP is reliable and can keep the data safe. Even sometime client sent false data or data is corrupted due to noise or some error, that CSP change his data. Since there was no provisioning of accountability of data, so no one accounts for false data and also we can't trust fully on TPA, he can also be transferred clients' data to his competitor. The public auditing system of data storage security, integrity of data and reliability of data in Cloud Computing, and proposed[4] a protocol supporting for fully dynamic data operations, providing data privacy and integrity to end user.

**5.** As storage-as-a-service spread and users rely on external agents to store critical information, the privacy and integrity guarantees of conventional cryptography offered from extension into POR-based assurances around data availability. Contractual and legal protections can, of course, played a valuable role in laying the foundations of secure storage infrastructure. The technical assurances provided by PORs, however, permit even more rigorous and dynamic enforcement of service policies and ultimately enable more flexible and cost-effective storage architectures. PORs leads to a number of possible directions for future research. One broad area of research stems from the fact that POR protocol is designed to protect a static archived file  $F$ . Any navels performed, partial updates to  $F$  would undermine the security guarantees of our protocol. A natural question then is how to construct a POR that can accommodate partial file updates perhaps through the dynamic addition of sentinels or MACs. Sorting through these options to achieve an efficient, practical POR system with rigorous service assurances remains a problem of formidable dimensions. Users rely on external agents to store critical information, the privacy and integrity guarantees of conventional cryptography will benefit from extension into POR-based assurances around data availability. Juels et al.[5]described a "proof of retrievability" (PoR)model, where spot-checking and error-correcting codes are used to ensure both "possession" and "retrievability" of data files on remote archive service systems[15].

### III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

After analyzing these papers, In cloud storage system is constructed based on Provable Data Possession technique[6]. It is more efficient compare than other methods. To securely fulfill the two important requirements of cloud storage: data integrity and storage efficiency, a number of schemes have been proposed based on the concepts of POR, PDP. In this work, a constant cost scheme that achieves secure public data integrity auditing and storage deduplication at the same time. It enables the deduplication of both files and their corresponding authentication tags. In addition, to support batch integrity auditing, and thus substantially save computational cost and communication cost for multiple requests scenarios. Cloud service providers to offer an efficient audit service to check the integrity and availability of the stored data[7].

### SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE



**Fig 3.1**System architecture of the proposed system

Cloud secure storage is constructed with these modules,

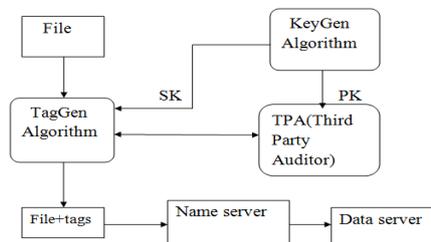
#### 3.1 KEY GENERATION

The owner generates a public/secret key pair (pk, sk) by himself or the system manager, and then sends his public key pk to TPA.

Note that TPA cannot obtain the client’s secret key sk; secondly, the owner chooses the random secret.

#### 3.2 TAG GENERATION

The client (data owner) uses the secret key sk to pre-process a file, which consists of a collection of n blocks, generates a set of public verification parameters and index-hash table that are stored in TPA, and transmits the file and some verification tags to CSP.



**Fig 3.2** Tag generation

#### 3.3: PERIODIC SAMPLING AUDIT

TPA (or other applications) issues a “Random Sampling” challenge to audit the integrity and availability of outsourced data in terms of the verification information stored in TPA[9]. The AAs should be cloud application services inside clouds for various application purposes, but they must be specifically authorized by DOs for manipulating outsourced data. Since the acceptable operations require that the AAs must present authentication information for TPA, any unauthorized modifications for data will be detected in audit processes or verification processes.

Based on this kind of strong authorization-verification mechanism, we assume neither CSP is trusted to guarantee the security of stored data, nor a DO has the capability to collect the evidence of CSP’s faults after errors have been found[14].

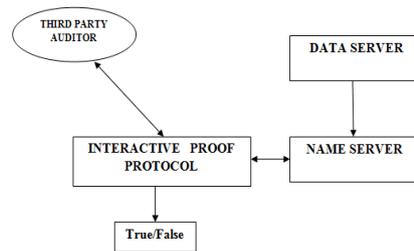


Fig 3.3 Periodic Sampling Audit Flow

### 3.4 AUDIT FOR DYNAMIC OPERATIONS

An authorized application, which holds data owner’s secret key  $sk$ , can manipulate the outsourced data and update the associated index hash table stored in TPA[10][11]. The privacy of  $sk$  and the checking algorithm ensure that the storage server cannot cheat the authorized applications and forge the valid audit records.

#### Dynamic data operations:

**Update( $sk, X_i, m_i$ )** is an algorithm run by AA to update the block of a file  $m_0$   $i$  at the index  $i$  by using  $sk$ , and it returns a new verification metadata.

**Delete( $sk, X_i, m_i$ )** is an algorithm run by AA to delete the block  $m_i$  of a file  $m_i$  at the index  $i$  by using  $sk$ , and it returns a new verification metadata.

**Insert( $sk, X_i, m_i$ )** is an algorithm run by AA to insert the block of a file  $m_i$  at the index  $i$  by using  $sk$ , and it returns a new verification metadata.

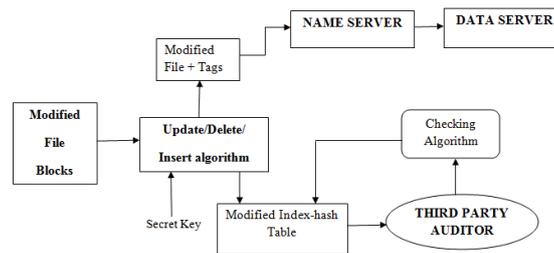


Fig 3.4 Flow of dynamic data operation

To ensure the security, dynamic data operations are available only to DOs or AAs, who hold the secret key  $sk$ . Here, all operations are based on data blocks. It is necessary for TPA and CSP to check the validity of updated data. First, an AA obtains the public verification information from TPA[12][13]. Second, the application invokes the Update, Delete, and Insert algorithms, and then sends to TPA and CSP, respectively. Next, the CSP makes use of an algorithm Check to verify the validity of updated data. Note that the Check algorithm is important to ensure the effectiveness of the audit. Finally, TPA modifies audit records after the confirmation message from CSP is received and the completeness of records is checked.

## IV. CONCLUSION

To securely fulfill the two important requirements of cloud storage: data integrity and storage efficiency, a number of schemes have been proposed based on the concepts of POR, PDP. In this work, a constant cost scheme that achieves secure public data integrity auditing and storage deduplication at the same time. It enables the deduplication of both files and their corresponding authentication tags. In addition, to support batch integrity auditing, and thus substantially save computational cost and communication cost for multiple requests scenarios. Cloud service providers to offer an efficient audit service to check the integrity and availability of the stored data.

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