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Analysis of Multimedia Authentication Schemes

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Motivations

- **Increasing demand for multimedia services**
- **Content often transported over open and insecure networks (Internet)**
- **Many applications need to ensure authenticity of content**
 - **Videos for surveillance, documentary, political debates, etc**
- **Numerous authentication schemes exist**
 - **Merits and shortcomings against each other not clear**
- **No comprehensive analysis/comparison in literature**

Our Work

- **Define common performance metrics/scenarios**
- **Analytically analyze all schemes**
- **Conduct simulation and quantitative comparisons**

- **Recommendations for choosing appropriate scheme for a target environment**
- **Insights for further research**

Outline

- **Performance Metrics**
- **(Brief) Overview of Authentication Schemes**
- **Analysis Results**
 - **Detailed derivations are given in the paper**
- **Conclusions and Recommendations**

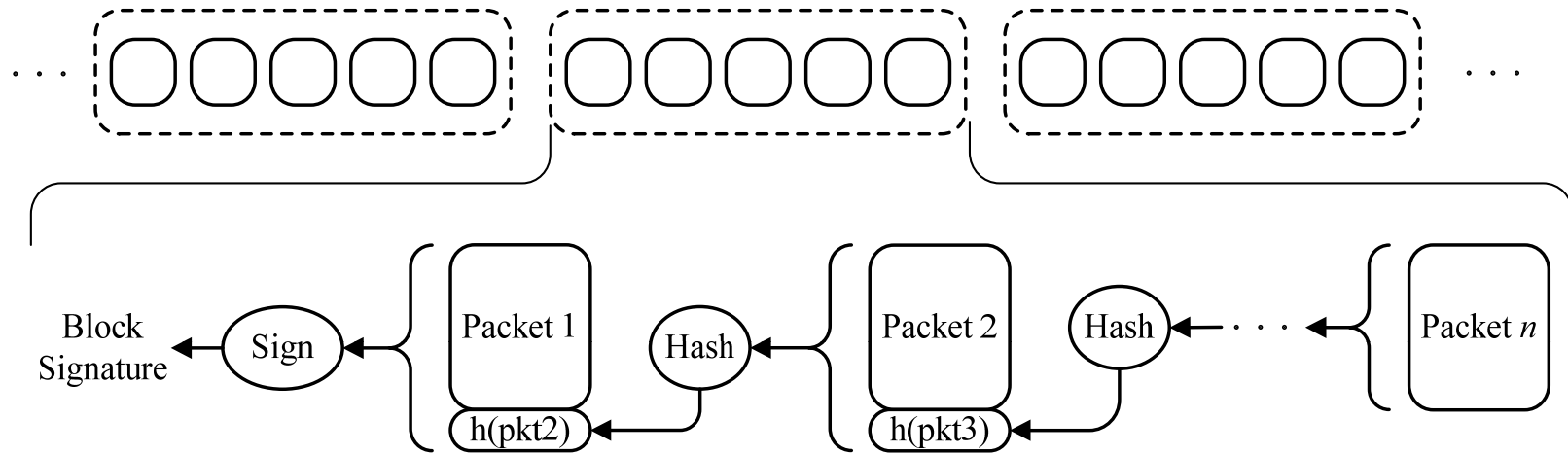
Performance Metrics

- **Computation cost**
 - Limited capacity receivers
- **Communication overhead**
 - Limited bandwidth
- **Tolerance against packet losses**
 - Bursty & random
- **Receiver buffer size required**
 - Memory constraints
- **Streaming delay**
 - Live streaming

Authentication Schemes for Videos

- **Present basic ideas of most important schemes**
- **Only representative sample**
 - **See our paper for details**

Hash Chaining [Gennaro 97]

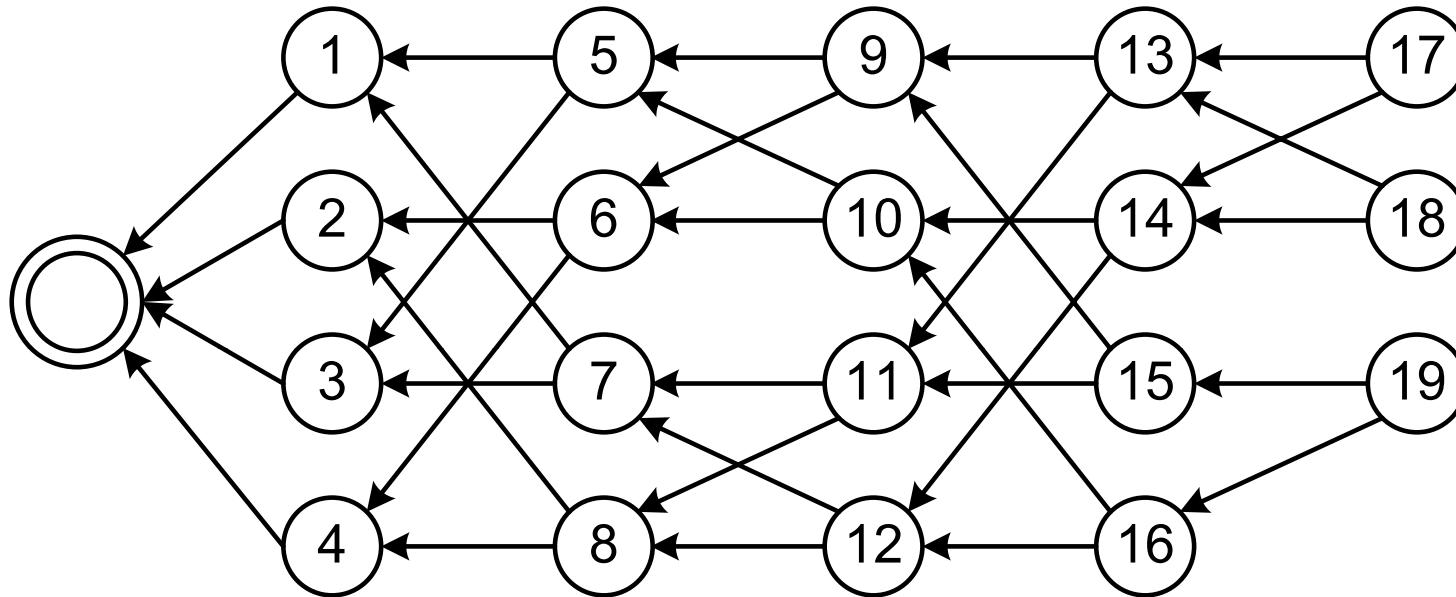


- **No receiver buffer required**
- **Delay: duration of a block (sender side) + zero (receiver side)**
- **No loss tolerance**

Hash Chaining: with Loss Tolerance

- Attach hash of packet to **multiple** other packets
- Choose other packets carefully
- Hashes of a block form **Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)**
 - Packet is verifiable if it has path to signature packet

Butterfly Hash Chaining [Zhishou 07]

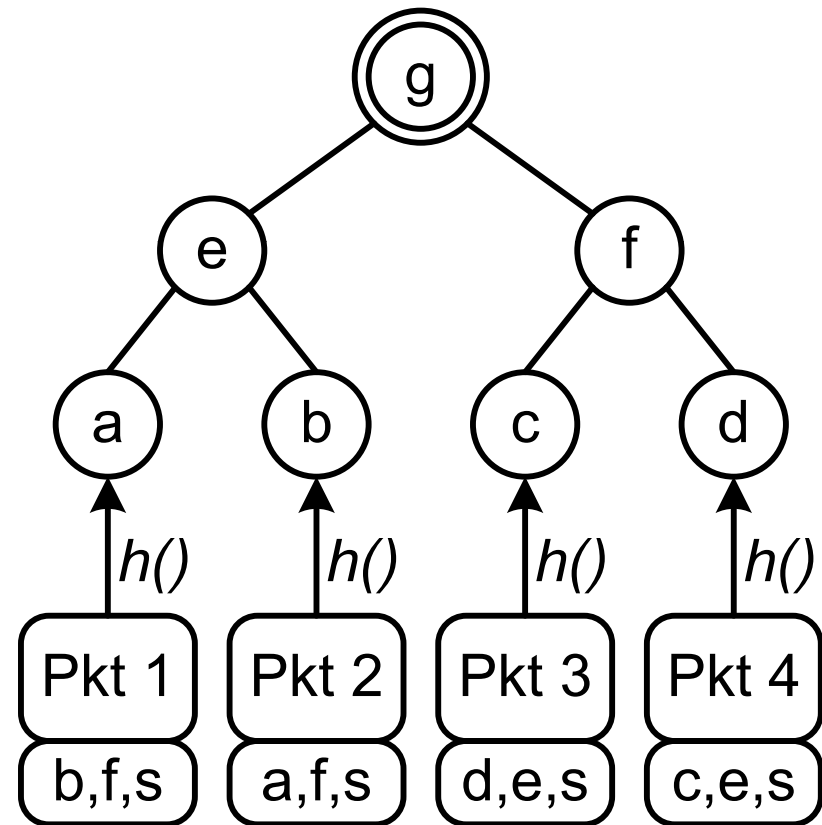


- **Improved loss tolerance**
- **Delay: duration of block (sender side) + zero (receiver side)**

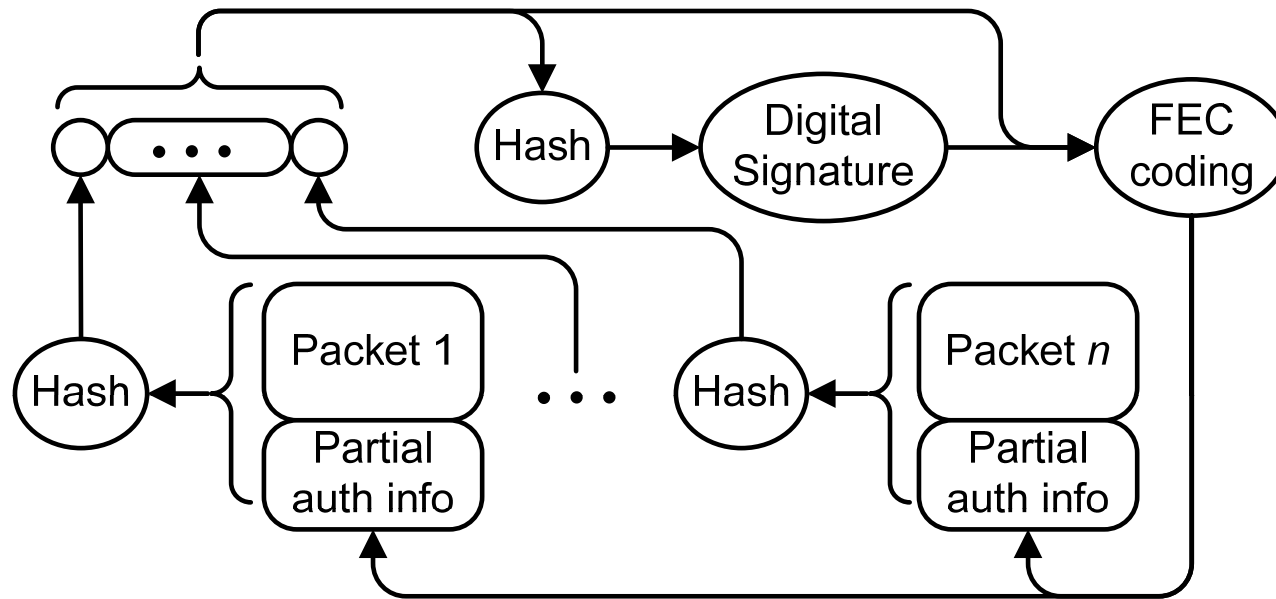
Tree Chaining [Wong 99]

- Based on **Merkle hash tree**
- Each packet carries all info needed for its verification
 - Complete loss tolerance
- No receiver buffer required
- Delay: duration of a block (sender side) + zero (receiver side)

Block signature: $s = \text{sign}(g)$



SAIDA: Signature Amortization using Information Dispersal Algorithm [Park 03]



- **Disperse auth info over n packets such that any m suffice to verify block**
 - m : determines overhead—loss tolerance tradeoff
- **Receiver buffer: m packets**
- **Delay: 2 times duration of block (sender + receiver side)**

SAIDA Improvements

- **eSAIDA (enhanced SAIDA) [Park 04]**
 - To reduce overhead, one hash for each pair of packets
 - If packet is lost, its couple cannot be verified
 - A packet's hash is put in its couple with probability s
 - s (input): determines overhead—loss tolerance tradeoff
- **cSAIDA (communication overhead-reduced SAIDA) [Pannetrat 03]**
 - A systematic FEC coding, keeping parity symbols only
 - An additional FEC coding
- **Delay and receiver buffer of both: as in SAIDA**

TFDP: Tree-based Forward Digest Protocol [Habib 05]

- For streaming **pre-encoded videos**
- Similar to SAIDA, but block digests are not signed
 - Hash tree over block digests, root is signed
 - One signature for the whole stream
- Receiver buffer: nearly a complete block
- Delay: not relevant!

Sample of our Results

- **Analytic and numerical analysis**
- **Simulation analysis**

Computation Cost

Complete Table is given in the paper

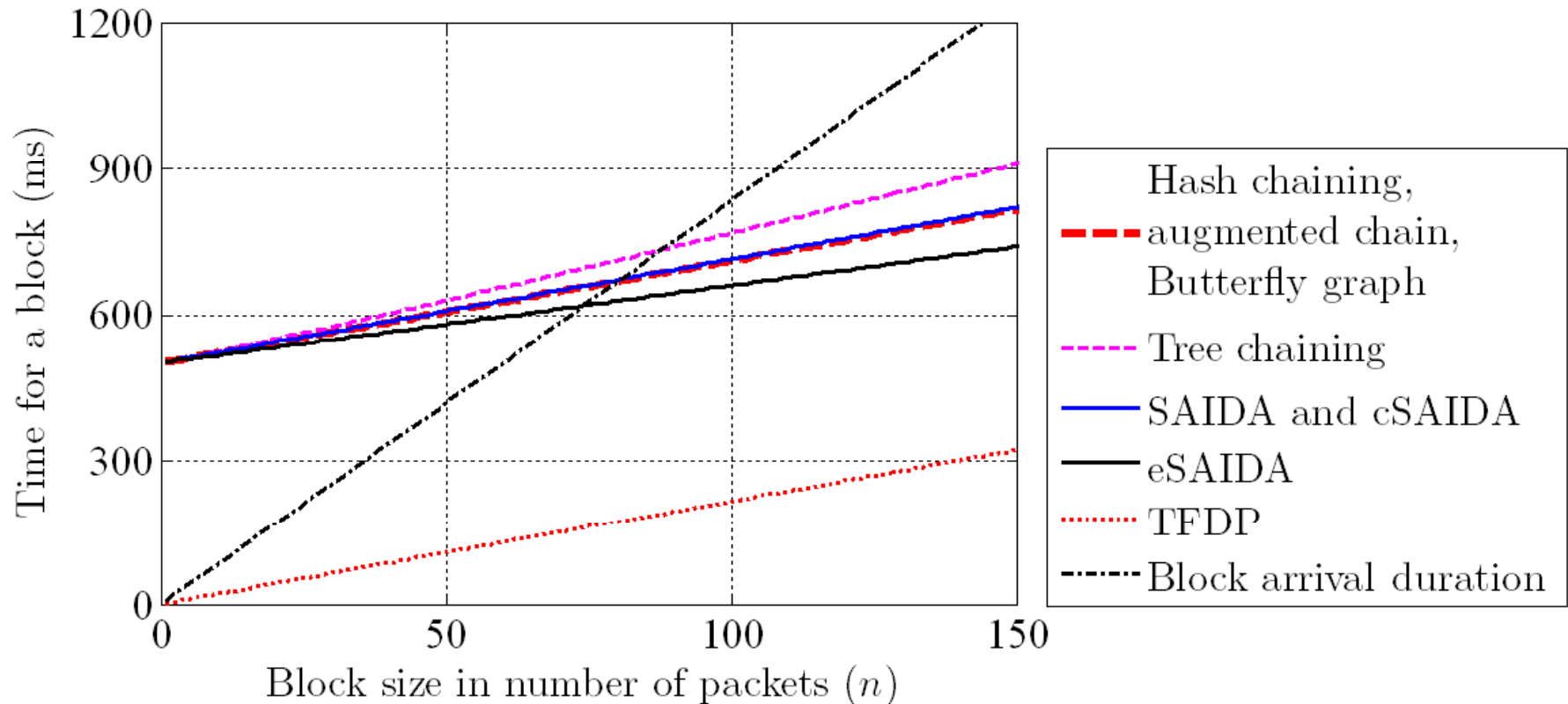
	num signature verif per block	num 512-bit hash operations per block
Hash Chaining	1	$n \lceil l / 64 \rceil$
Tree Chaining	1	$n \lceil l / 64 \rceil + (\lceil n \log n \rceil - n) \lceil s_{hash} / 32 \rceil$
SAIDA	1	$n \lceil l / 64 \rceil + \lceil s_{hash} n / 64 \rceil$

n : block size

l : packet size

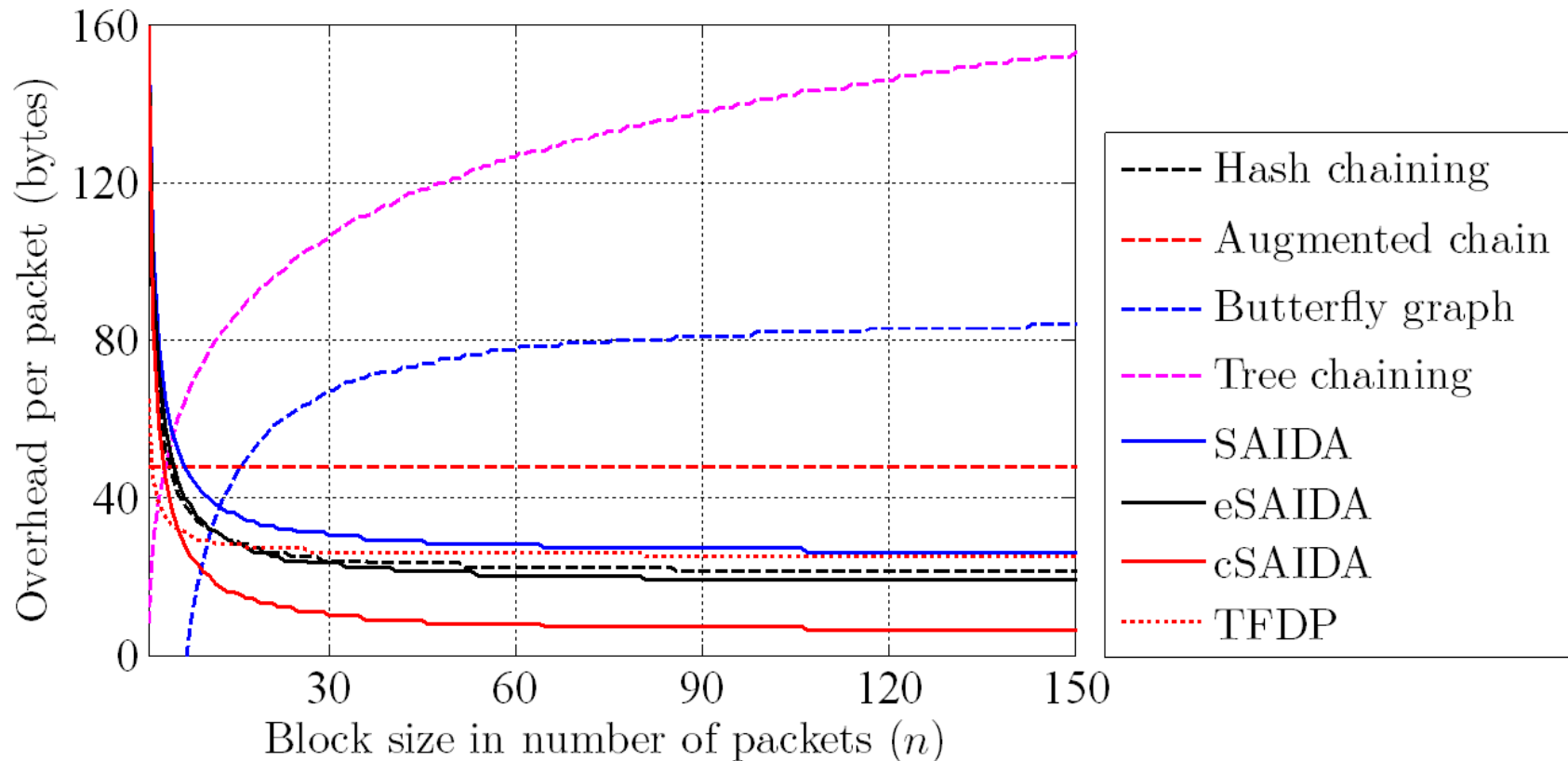
s_{hash} : hash size

Computation Cost



- Time to verify block on limited-capability device → Lower bound on block size

Communication Overhead



- **cSAIDA is the most efficient, Tree Chaining the least**

Delay and Buffer Requirements

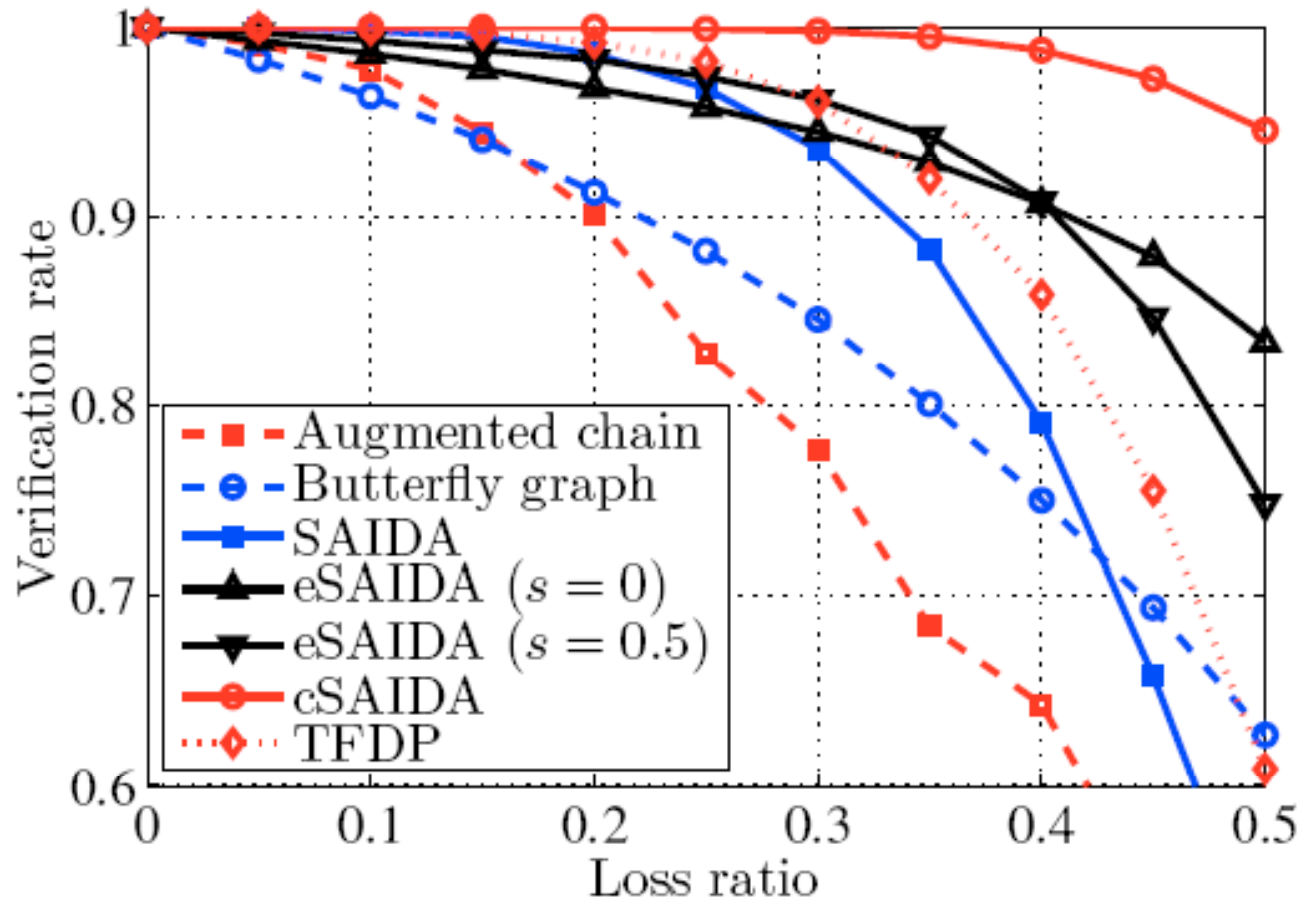
- With a block size of 100 packets:

	Buffer required (pkts)	Delay (seconds)
Hash Chaining	1	3-4
Augmented Chaining	n	3-4
Butterfly Chaining	n	3-4
Tree Chaining	1	3-4
SAIDA	n	6-7
eSAIDA	n	6-7
cSAIDA	n	6-7
TFDP	n	Not relevant

Simulation Results

- **Realistic parameter values from measurement studies**
- **Loss models**
 - **Bursty: Internet (router congestions)**
 - **Random: wireless networks and when interleaved packetization is used**
- **Best parameters are chosen for each scheme**

Simulation: Loss Resilience (Bursty Loss)



- **cSAIDA is the most efficient**

Conclusions

- **Conducted analytical and simulation comparisons among most authentication schemes for video streams**
- **Our Findings ...**
- **Minimal computation cost**
 - **TFDP; for on-demand streaming only**
 - **Live streaming: all schemes almost the same**
- **Minimal communication overhead**
 - **cSAIDA**

Conclusions (cont'd)

- **Minimal delay**

- **Hash/Augmented/Butterfly/Tree Chaining**

- **Maximal loss tolerance**

- **Tree Chaining: high overhead, no buffering, low delay**
- **cSAIDA: low overhead, but requires buffering one block, and incurs twice the delay of Tree Chaining**

- **Minimal buffering (memory) requirement**

- **Hash Chaining; reliable data transfer only**
- **Tree Chaining; fully loss tolerant**

Thank You!

Questions??

- More info at:

<http://nsl.cs.sfu.ca/>