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MULTIPLE-LEVEL ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE METHOD

Title (de)

VERFAHREN ZUR ERZEUGUNG MEHRSTUFIGER DIGITALSIGNATUREN

Title (fr)

PROCEDE DE SIGNATURE ELECTRONIQUE A NIVEAUX MULTIPLES

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO0245338A1] The invention concerns an electronic public key signature method comprising a secret key  $s$  compatible with a verifying public key  $v$ . It consists in: generating a new secret key  $s'$  consisting of  $s$  and partial secret key,  $sl$ ,  $sj$ ,  $sn$ , in generating a new verifying public key  $v'$  consisting of  $v$  and reserve public keys,  $vl$ ,  $vj$ ,  $vn$ , the secret keys  $(s, sl, sj)$  being compatible with the keys  $(v, vl, vj)$  and the secret key  $s'$  being compatible with any one key  $(v, vl, vj)$   $j$  ranging between 1 and  $n$ , signing the message  $m$  with the secret key  $s'$ . The invention aims at generating an electronic signature resistant to coercive attempts forcing disclosure of secret keys. This is achieved by varying the signature verification criteria.

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