

MESSAGE ANTI-FORGERY IMPLEMENTATION METHOD AND DEVICE

TECHNICAL FIELD

[0001] The present application relates to the field of network communications
5 technologies, and in particular, to a message anti-forgery implementation method and
device.

BACKGROUND

[0002] With the development of communications technologies and the
popularization of intelligent terminal devices, the Internet economy is growing
10 rapidly. Networks bring convenience and efficiency to users, but also pose a threat to
security due to open propagation approaches.

[0003] One method commonly used by a malicious user is sending fraud text
messages to users by simulating special service phone numbers of legal subjects, such
as a financial institution, a shopping platform, or a mobile carrier; or by using similar
15 phone numbers easily confused with the special service phone numbers; or registering
a relatively official name with an instant messaging system to send fraud messages to
users; or sending fraud e-mails to users by pretending to be official e-mail addresses.
The malicious users defraud the users of their accounts and passwords and ask the
users for remittance and etc., by using these fake messages.

20 [0004] In the existing technology, users can determine whether the messages are
true by identifying a message sender or by checking whether a link address in
message content is correct. The probability of being cheated can be reduced when the
users correctly remember a link address of a legal website and a phone number or
name used by the legal subject to send messages. Consequently, the users' burden
25 increases. For the message sent by simulating the legal subject, the users are often
unable to identify authenticity of the message, and losses can be easily taken by the
users.

SUMMARY

[0005] The present application provides a message anti-forgery implementation method, applied to a verification server. The verification server can obtain a delivery message record, the delivery message record includes receiver user identifiers and
5 feature information of some delivery messages, and the method includes the following: receiving a message verification request uploaded by a terminal device, where the message verification request includes a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified; and returning a "verification succeeds" response to the terminal device, when the delivery message record has a
10 delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier as the message to be verified and whose feature information matches the verification information of the message to be verified.

[0006] A message anti-forgery implementation method provided in the present application is applied to a message server, including: generating a delivery message,
15 and sending the delivery message based on a receiver user identifier; and writing the receiver user identifier and feature information of the delivery message into a delivery message record, so that a verification server matches the receiver user identifier and the feature information of the delivery message with a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified, to determine whether the
20 message to be verified is verified.

[0007] A message anti-forgery implementation method provided in the present application is applied to a terminal device, including: uploading a message verification request to a verification server based on a user operation, where the message verification request includes a receiver user identifier and verification
25 information of a message to be verified, so that the verification server matches the receiver user identifier and the verification information of the message to be verified with a receiver user identifier and feature information of a delivery message in a delivery message record, to determine whether the message to be verified is verified; and receiving a message verification response that includes a verification result and is
30 returned by the verification server, and displaying the verification result to a user.

[0008] The present application further provides a message anti-forgery implementation device, applied to a verification server, where the verification server can obtain a delivery message record, the delivery message record includes receiver

user identifiers and feature information of some delivery messages, and the device includes a verification request receiving unit, configured to receive a message verification request uploaded by a terminal device, where the message verification request includes a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified; and a verification request matching unit, configured to return a
5 "verification succeeds" response to the terminal device, when the delivery message record has a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier as the message to be verified and whose feature information matches the verification information of the message to be verified.

10 **[0009]** A message anti-forgery implementation device provided in the present application is applied to a message server, including: a delivery message generation unit, configured to generate a delivery message, and send the delivery message based on a receiver user identifier; and a feature information recording unit, configured to write the receiver user identifier and feature information of the delivery message into
15 a delivery message record, so that a verification server matches the receiver user identifier and the feature information of the delivery message with a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified, to determine whether the message to be verified is verified.

[0010] A message anti-forgery implementation device provided in the present
20 application is applied to a terminal device, including: a verification request uploading unit, configured to upload a message verification request to a verification server based on a user operation, where the message verification request includes a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified, so that the verification server matches the receiver user identifier and the verification information
25 of the message to be verified with a receiver user identifier and feature information of a delivery message in a delivery message record, to determine whether the message to be verified is verified; and a verification response receiving unit, configured to receive a message verification response that includes a verification result and is returned by the verification server, and display the verification result to a user.

30 **[0011]** It can be seen from the previous technical solutions that, in the implementations of the present application, the message server that sends the message to the user records the receiver user identifier and the feature information of the delivery message. After the terminal device uploads the receiver user identifier and the feature information of the message to be verified to the verification server, the

verification server checks whether there is a delivery message that matches the message to be verified, to determine whether the message to be verified is verified. The implementations of the present application provide the user with a mechanism for verifying the authenticity of the received message. As such, a fake message sent by a subject pretending to be real can be identified, and the network security of the user can be improved.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

- [0012] FIG. 1 is a structural diagram illustrating a network in an application scenario, according to an implementation of the present application;
- 10 [0013] FIG. 2 is a flowchart illustrating a message anti-forgery implementation method applied to a verification server, according to an implementation of the present application;
- [0014] FIG. 3 is a flowchart illustrating a message anti-forgery implementation method applied to a message server, according to an implementation of the present application;
- 15 [0015] FIG. 4 is a flowchart illustrating a message anti-forgery implementation method applied to a terminal device, according to an implementation of the present application;
- [0016] FIG. 5 is a hardware structural diagram illustrating a terminal device, a message server, or a verification server;
- 20 [0017] FIG. 6 is a logical structural diagram illustrating a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a verification server, according to an implementation of the present application;
- [0018] FIG. 7 is a logical structural diagram illustrating a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a message server, according to an implementation of the present application; and
- 25 [0019] FIG. 8 is a logical structural diagram illustrating a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a terminal device, according to an implementation of the present application.

DESCRIPTION OF IMPLEMENTATIONS

[0020] The implementations of the present application provide a message anti-forgery implementation method. When the user doubts the authenticity of a received message, the user can send a message verification request that includes
5 related information of a message to be verified to a verification server. Related information of a delivery message sent to a user is recorded on a network side. The verification server verifies the user's message to be verified based on the recorded related information of the delivery message to determine whether the message to be verified is true, so that the user can use the verification server to identify a fake
10 message without relying on experience. The user's burden can be reduced while better security is provided for the user. As such, the problem in the existing technology can be resolved.

[0021] A network environment that an implementation of the present application is applied to is shown in FIG. 1. A message server is responsible for sending a
15 message to a user. A verification server is responsible for responding to a request of a terminal device for verifying a message to be verified. After a first terminal device of the user receives the message to be verified, the user can use a second terminal device to initiate a request for verifying the message to be verified to the verification server. The message server and the verification server can be the same server, and the first
20 terminal device and the second terminal device can be the same terminal device.

[0022] The message server, the verification server, the first terminal device, or the second terminal device can access each other by using a network. The first terminal device or the second terminal device can be a device such as a mobile phone, a tablet computer, a personal computer (PC), or a notebook computer. The message server or
25 the verification server can be a physical or logical server, or can be two or more physical or logical servers that have different responsibilities and cooperate with each other to implement various functions of the message server or the verification server in the implementation of the present application. The type of the first terminal device, the second terminal device, the message server, or the verification server, and a type, a
30 protocol and such of a communications network among the first terminal device, the second terminal device, the message server, and the verification server are not limited in the implementation of the present application.

[0023] In an implementation of the present application, a procedure for applying a

message anti-forgery implementation method to a verification server is shown in FIG. 2, a procedure for applying a message anti-forgery implementation method to a message server is shown in FIG. 3, and a procedure for applying a message anti-forgery implementation method to a terminal device is shown in FIG. 4.

5 **[0024]** Step 310: A message server generates a delivery message, and sends the generated delivery message based on a receiver user identifier.

10 **[0025]** The message in the implementation of the present application can be any form of information that can be sent by the message server to a terminal device, for example, a short message, an e-mail, an instant message, and a message sent to a client application installed on the terminal device. The message server can generate a message in the previous form or another form based on the existing technology. Details are omitted here for simplicity. Correspondingly, the receiver user identifier of the delivery message can be a mobile device identifier of a user (such as a mobile phone number or a mobile subscriber international identifier), an e-mail address, a user name in an instant messaging system, a login account of the user in an application system, etc.

15 **[0026]** During generation of the delivery message, additional information used for message verification can be generated, and the additional information can be added to a complete message body of the delivery message and sent to the user. For example, 20 the message server can generate an anti-forgery code for each delivery message based on an algorithm. A combination of the anti-forgery code and the receiver user identifier uniquely corresponds to one delivery message. The message server encapsulates the anti-forgery code in the corresponding delivery message and sends the delivery message. The algorithm for generating the anti-forgery code can be 25 implemented with reference to various methods for generating duplicate-free random codes in the existing technology. Details are omitted here for simplicity.

30 **[0027]** Step 320: The message server writes the receiver user identifier and feature information of the delivery message into a delivery message record, so that a verification server matches the receiver user identifier and the feature information of the delivery message with a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified, to determine whether the message to be verified is verified.

35 **[0028]** After sending the delivery message, the message server writes the receiver user identifier of the delivery message and the feature information of the delivery message into the delivery message record. The message server can store the delivery

message record locally, can store the delivery message record in any storage location that can be accessed by the message server and the verification server in a network, or can send the delivery message record and an update to the delivery message record to the verification server and the verification server stores the delivery message record and the update to the delivery message record.

[0029] In various types of information associated with the delivery message, any information related to the message received by the user terminal device and mapping information generated based on the information by using an algorithm can be used as the feature information of the delivery message. For example, a sending time for the delivery message, message content, a hash value of the sending time, and a hash value of the message content can be used as the feature information of the delivery message. In addition, the additional information used for message verification can be used as the feature information of the delivery message, for example, an anti-forgery code generated for each delivery message.

[0030] In different application scenarios, composition of the feature information of the delivery message can be determined based on factors such as actual needs of the scenarios and a form of the delivery message. Implementations are not limited in the present application. In an implementation, a content feature value generated based on the message content of the delivery message by using a predetermined algorithm can be used as all or a part of the feature information. The content feature value is usually calculated on the message server. For example, the message server can input the message content and the receiver user identifier of the delivery message into a predetermined digest algorithm, calculate a content digest, and use the content digest as the content feature value of the delivery message.

[0031] Step 410: A terminal device uploads a message verification request to the verification server based on a user operation. The message verification request includes a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified, so that the verification server matches the receiver user identifier and the verification information of the message to be verified with the receiver user identifier and the feature information of the delivery message in the delivery message record, to determine whether the message to be verified is verified.

[0032] Step 210: The verification server receives the message verification request uploaded by the terminal device, where the message verification request includes a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified.

[0033] After receiving a message, if the user doubts the authenticity of the message, the user can use the received message as a message to be verified, and instruct, by using a predetermined operation, the terminal device to initiate a message verification request to the verification server. The terminal device extracts the verification information of the message to be verified from related information of the message to be verified, encapsulates the user identifier and the verification information used for receiving the message to be verified in the message verification request, and sends the message verification request to the verification server.

[0034] Because the verification information submitted by the terminal device is to be used by the verification server to match the feature information of the delivery message, related information of the message to be verified that is used as the verification information is usually determined by using a method for determining the feature information of the delivery message.

[0035] It is worthwhile to note that in the implementation of the present application, the user can initiate a request to the verification server on the terminal device that receives the message to be verified, or can initiate a request on another terminal device of the same type as or a different type from the terminal device that receives the message to be verified. When the user initiates a request on another terminal device which is different from the terminal device that receives the message to be verified, usually, the terminal device that initiates the request needs to obtain the receiver user identifier and/or the verification information of the message to be verified under the intervention of the user. The receiver user identifier and/or the verification information of the message to be verified can be manually obtained by the user based on hardware and software types of the two terminal devices, a form of the message to be verified, etc., or can be obtained by the user with reference to the existing technology. Details are omitted here for simplicity.

[0036] Step 220: The verification server returns a "verification succeeds" response to the terminal device, when the delivery message record has a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier as the message to be verified and whose feature information matches the verification information of the message to be verified.

[0037] Step 420: The terminal device receives a message verification response that includes a verification result and is returned by the verification server, and displays the verification result to a user.

[0038] The verification server obtains the delivery message record by using a

method that corresponds to a method used by the message server to process the delivery message record, or matches the message to be verified with a record entry (that is, each delivery message) in the delivery message record. For example, the verification server can request the delivery message record from the message server,
5 or can read the delivery message record maintained by the message server from a predetermined storage location in the network. Alternatively, the message server can send the delivery message record and the update to the delivery message record to the verification server, and the verification server can read the delivery message record stored on the verification server.

10 **[0039]** After receiving the message verification request submitted by the terminal device, the verification server extracts the receiver user identifier and the verification information of the message to be verified from the message verification request, searches the delivery message record for a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier, and matches feature information of the identified delivery
15 message with the verification information of the message to be verified. If there is a delivery message that can match the message to be verified, the message to be verified is sent by the message server and the message to be verified is verified. The verification server uses "verification succeeds" as the verification result and returns the message verification response to the terminal device. If there is no delivery
20 message that has the same receiver user identifier in the delivery message record, or if there is no delivery message that matches the verification information of the message to be verified in the delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier, the message to be verified cannot be verified. The verification server uses "verification fails" as the verification result and returns the message verification response to the
25 terminal device.

[0040] After receiving the message verification response that includes the verification result and is returned by the verification server, the terminal device displays the result of "verification succeeds" or "verification fails" to the user.

[0041] The degree of matching processing and message verification performed by
30 the verification server varies when content included in the feature information of the delivery message is different from content included in the corresponding verification information of the message to be verified. The following describes several possible methods for selecting the feature information and the verification information and corresponding matching processing processes by using examples.

[0042] In a first method, the message content of the delivery message can be used as the feature information, and correspondingly, the message content of the message to be verified is used as the verification information. The verification server compares the message content of the message to be verified with message content of a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier. The message to be verified is verified if content of a delivery message is consistent with the content of the message to be verified. In this method, authenticity of the message can be verified very accurately, but the delivery message record that needs to be stored is often very large. As such, high storage pressure is caused to a server and the speed of querying and matching records is affected.

[0043] In a second method, the message server can compress the message content of the delivery message into a content feature value (such as a hash value or a content digest) of the delivery message by using a predetermined algorithm, and use the content feature value as the feature information. Correspondingly, the terminal device can generate a content feature value of the message to be verified based on the message content of the message to be verified by using the same predetermined algorithm, use the content feature value as the verification information, and uploads the verification information to the verification server. Alternatively, the terminal device can use the message content of the message to be verified as the verification information and upload the verification information. The verification server generates a content feature value of the message to be verified based on the message content of the message to be verified by using the same predetermined algorithm, and compares the content feature value with a content feature value of a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier. Verification succeeds if a content feature value of a delivery message is the same as the content feature value of the message to be verified. Compared with the first method, the second method has slightly low verification accuracy, but can greatly reduce a data volume in the delivery message record and improve the response speed of the verification server.

[0044] In a third method, an anti-forgery code generated by the message server can be used as the feature information of the delivery message. The message server generates an anti-forgery code for each delivery message, and sends the anti-forgery code and the message content to the user, as parts of a complete message body. A combination of the anti-forgery code and the receiver user identifier is in a one-to-one mapping relationship with the delivery message. The terminal device uses an

anti-forgery code of the message to be verified as the verification information and uploads the verification information to the verification server. The verification server compares the anti-forgery code of the message to be verified with an anti-forgery code of a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier. Verification succeeds
5 if an anti-forgery code of a delivery message is the same as the anti-forgery code of the message to be verified. This method can verify whether the message server sends a message that includes the anti-forgery code to the user, but cannot determine that message content is correct. If the message sent by the message server is intercepted by a malicious user, the message content is modified but the anti-forgery code is not
10 modified, and then the modified message is sent to the user. As such, a message verification result is incorrect.

[0045] In a fourth method, the content feature value in the second method and the anti-forgery code in the third method can be together used as the feature information of the delivery message. Correspondingly, the terminal device uses the content feature
15 value or the message content (which is used by the verification server to generate the content feature value of the message to be verified) of the message to be verified and the anti-forgery code included in the message to be verified as the verification information and uploads the verification information to the verification server. The verification server compares the anti-forgery code and the content feature value of the
20 message to be verified with an anti-forgery code and a content feature value of a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier. Verification succeeds if both an anti-forgery code and a content feature value of a delivery message are the same as the anti-forgery code and the content feature value of the message to be verified. In this method, a data volume in the delivery message record can be reduced,
25 the response speed of the verification server can be improved, and the verification accuracy can be improved.

[0046] The verification information is usually included in a complete message body of the message to be verified. Therefore, to reduce processing performed by the user or the terminal device on the message to be verified, the terminal device can
30 encapsulate the complete message body of the message to be verified in the message verification request. After receiving the message verification request, the verification server extracts the complete message body of the message to be verified from the message verification request, and parses the complete message body to obtain the verification information of the message to be verified.

[0047] The verification server can disassemble the complete message body of the message to be verified into parts based on a format of the delivery message, to obtain verification information used as a part. For example, the user receives, on a mobile phone, a billing message sent by a third-party payment platform. A complete message body is "The bill of your account 000****0000 in September is 100 Yuan, and will be automatically repaid on October 10, or you can go to m.zhifu.com/J/thaUu to repay it immediately. Anti-forgery code: qaz. [a third-party platform name]". Based on a format used by the third-party payment platform to send the billing message, the verification server can parse the complete message body to obtain message content ("A bill of your account 000****0000 in September is 100 Yuan, and will be automatically repaid on October 10, or you can go to m.zhifu.com/J/thaUu to repay it immediately"), the anti-forgery code ("qaz"), and a sender signature ("the third-party platform name"). The message content and the anti-forgery code are used as the verification information of the message to be verified in the fourth implementation.

[0048] In the implementation of the present application, the message server and the verification server can be the same server. Alternatively, the verification server can verify delivery messages from one or more message servers. The message servers can send messages to the user by using the same channel or different channels. In other words, a server that sends a message can verify the message sent by the server or a message sent by illegally using an identity of the server. Alternatively, the verification server can verify messages sent by some message servers on a channel or messages sent by illegally using the message servers. Alternatively, the verification server can verify messages sent by a plurality of message servers on a plurality of channels or messages sent by illegally using the message servers. A channel used by a message server corresponds to a combination of message forms in an application system. For example, a short message from a third-party payment platform corresponds to a channel, an instant message from the third-party payment platform corresponds to another channel, and a client application (App) push message from the third-party payment platform corresponds to a third channel.

[0049] Receiver user identifiers of different channels in a plurality of channels may be the same when the verification server provides a message verification service for a plurality of message servers on the channels. To avoid confusion between messages in the delivery message record that are sent to the same user by using different channels, the message server can also write a delivering channel for the

delivery message into the delivery message record. The terminal device obtains a receiving channel (which can be entered by the user, or can be obtained through automatic identification by using a process of receiving the message to be verified) for the message to be verified, encapsulates the receiving channel in the message verification request, and sends the message verification request to the verification server. The verification server compares the verification information of the message to be verified with feature information of a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier and whose the delivering channel and the receiving channel are the same. Verification succeeds if a delivery message matches the message to be verified.

[0050] In addition, it is worthwhile to note that, in the implementation of the present application, various messages sent by the message server to the user do not include an address link or another access method of the verification server to prevent a malicious user from setting a fake verification server to verify a message sent by the malicious user by illegally using a legal subject. A verification server accessing method can be provided for the user on an official website or an official micro blog, or can be provided for the user by using another publicity method.

[0051] It can be seen that, in the implementation of the present application, the message server records the receiver user identifier and the feature information of the delivery message. When the user doubts the received message, the user can send the message verification request that includes the receiver user identifier and the verification information of the message to be verified to the verification server, and the verification server determines whether the message to be verified is true based on the delivery message record. The technical solution of the present application provides the user with a mechanism for determining whether the received message is sent by a legal subject. As such, the user does not need to rely on subjective experience to perform determining, so that the user's burden is reduced while the user security is improved.

[0052] In an application example of the present application, a third-party payment platform sends messages to the user by using a plurality of channels. The channels and official service interfaces of the third-party payment platform include a special service phone number for a short message, an official e-mail address, an official account of an instant messaging system, and an official account of an office service system. Correspondingly, user identifiers of the channels are respectively a user's mobile phone number, a registered e-mail address of the user on the third-party

payment platform, a user name of the user in the instant messaging system, and a user name of the user in the office service system.

[0053] The channels have their respective message servers. Each message server allocates a sequence number of a message to be sent on the server to the message. The sequence number is used as a message ID (identity). Before sending the message to the user, the message server inputs the message ID of the message to be sent and a current time into a predetermined hash algorithm, and uses the last four digits of an obtained hash value as an anti-forgery code of the delivery message. The message server searches a delivery message record table to determine whether an entry (that is, another delivery message that has been sent to the same user) that has the same receiver user identifier of the delivery message has the same anti-forgery code. If yes, a new anti-forgery code is generated until the anti-forgery code is different from the anti-forgery code of the entry that has the same receiver user identifier.

[0054] The message server adds the anti-forgery code after message content, generates the delivery message, and sends the message based on a user identifier of the channel. The message server uses the message content and the receiver user identifier of the delivery message as input, generates a content digest by using a predetermined digest algorithm, and uses the content digest and the anti-forgery code as feature information of the delivery message.

[0055] The message server adds an entry corresponding to the delivery message to the delivery message record table. The delivery message record table is stored in a predetermined network location. A structure of the delivery message record table is shown in Table 1.

Table 1

Index number	Receiver user identifier	Anti-forgery code	Content digest	Sending time
1				
2				

[0056] In Table 1, the sending time is a time when the message server sends the delivery message.

[0057] The official service interfaces of the third-party payment platform are also

used as ingresses used by the user to access the verification server. When receiving a message that seems to be sent by the third-party payment platform, the user can instruct the terminal device to encapsulate a complete message body of the message to be verified, a channel for receiving the message to be verified, and a receiver user identifier in a message verification request, and send the message verification request to any one of the official service interfaces. The user can use the channel for receiving the message to be verified to verify the message to be verified, and can also use another channel to verify authenticity of the message.

[0058] The verification server extracts the complete message body, the receiving channel, and the receiver user identifier of the message to be verified from the message verification request received through each official service interface. The verification server parses the complete message body of the message to be verified based on a format of the delivery message from the message server of the third-party platform (different delivery channels can correspond to the same or different message formats), to obtain message content and an anti-forgery code of the message to be verified. The verification server uses the message content and the receiver user identifier of the message to be verified as input, generates a content digest of the message to be verified by using the same predetermined digest algorithm as the predetermined digest algorithm used by the message server, and uses the content digest and the anti-forgery code as verification information of the message to be verified.

[0059] The verification server obtains the delivery message record table stored in the predetermined network location by the message server that corresponds to the channel for receiving the message to be verified, and searches the delivery message record table to determine whether there is an entry that has the same receiver user identifier, the same anti-forgery code, and the same message digest as the message to be verified. If yes, the message to be verified is sent by the message server that corresponds to the channel for receiving the message to be verified, and verification succeeds. If no, the message to be verified fails to be verified.

[0060] The verification server adds a verification result of the message to be verified to a message verification response, and sends the message verification response to the terminal device that initiates a request. After receiving the message verification response, the terminal device displays the verification result in the response to the user.

[0061] Corresponding to the previous procedure, an implementation of the present application further provides a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a verification server, a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a message server, and a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a terminal device. The three devices each can be implemented by software, hardware, or a combination of hardware and software. Software implementation is used as an example. As a logical device, the device is formed by reading a corresponding computer program instruction to a memory by a central process unit (CPU) of the terminal device, the verification server, or the message server for running. In terms of hardware, in addition to the CPU, the memory, and the nonvolatile memory shown in FIG. 5, the terminal device including the message anti-forgery implementation device usually further includes other hardware such as a chip configured to receive or send a wireless signal, and the verification server or the message server including the message anti-forgery implementation device usually further includes other hardware such as a board card configured to implement a network communication function.

[0062] FIG. 6 shows a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a verification server, according to an implementation of the present application. The verification server can obtain a delivery message record. The delivery message record includes receiver user identifiers and feature information of some delivery messages. The device includes a verification request receiving unit and a verification request matching unit. The verification request receiving unit is configured to receive a message verification request uploaded by a terminal device. The message verification request includes a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified. The verification request matching unit is configured to return a "verification succeeds" response to the terminal device, when the delivery message record has a delivery message that has the same receiver user identifier as the message to be verified and whose feature information matches the verification information of the message to be verified.

[0063] Optionally, the feature information of the delivery message includes an anti-forgery code of the delivery message, and the verification information of the message to be verified includes an anti-forgery code included in the message to be verified, to match the anti-forgery code of the delivery message.

[0064] Optionally, the feature information of the delivery message includes a content feature value that is generated based on message content of the delivery

message by using a predetermined algorithm. The verification information of the message to be verified includes message content of the message to be verified.

[0065] For example, the device further includes a to-be-verified content feature value unit, configured to generate a content feature value of the message to be verified based on the message content of the message to be verified by using the predetermined algorithm, to match the content feature value of the delivery message.

[0066] In the previous example, the content feature value can include a content digest generated based on the message content and the receiver user identifier by using a predetermined digest algorithm.

[0067] Optionally, the message verification request includes a complete message body of the message to be verified. The device further includes a message body parsing unit, configured to parse the complete message body of the message to be verified, to obtain the verification information of the message to be verified.

[0068] Optionally, the user identifier includes a mobile device identifier of a user, an e-mail address, and/or a user name in an instant messaging system. The delivery message record further includes a delivery channel for the delivery message. The message verification request further includes a receiving channel for the message to be verified, to match the delivery channel for the delivery message.

[0069] FIG. 7 shows a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a message server, according to an implementation of the present application. The device includes a delivery message generation unit and a feature information recording unit. The delivery message generation unit is configured to generate a delivery message, and send the delivery message based on a receiver user identifier. The feature information recording unit is configured to write the receiver user identifier and feature information of the delivery message into a delivery message record, so that a verification server matches the receiver user identifier and the feature information of the delivery message with a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified, to determine whether the message to be verified is verified.

[0070] Optionally, the delivery message generation unit is configured to generate an anti-forgery code of the delivery message, encapsulate the anti-forgery code in the delivery message, and send the delivery message based on the receiver user identifier. A combination of the anti-forgery code and the receiver user identifier is in a one-to-one mapping relationship with the delivery message.

[0071] For example, the feature information of the delivery message includes a

content feature value that is generated based on message content of the delivery message by using a predetermined algorithm.

[0072] In the previous example, the device can further include a delivery content feature value unit, configured to generate a content digest based on the message content and the receiver user identifier of the delivery message by using a predetermined digest algorithm, and use the content digest as the content feature value of the delivery message.

[0073] FIG. 8 shows a message anti-forgery implementation device applied to a terminal device, according to an implementation of the present application. The device includes a verification request uploading unit and a verification response receiving unit. The verification request uploading unit is configured to upload a message verification request to a verification server based on a user operation, where the message verification request includes a receiver user identifier and verification information of a message to be verified, so that the verification server matches the receiver user identifier and the verification information of the message to be verified with a receiver user identifier and feature information of a delivery message in a delivery message record, to determine whether the message to be verified is verified. The verification response receiving unit is configured to receive a message verification response that includes a verification result and is returned by the verification server, and display the verification result to a user.

[0074] Optionally, the verification information of the message to be verified includes an anti-forgery code included in the message to be verified.

[0075] Optionally, the verification information of the message to be verified includes message content of the message to be verified.

[0076] Optionally, the device can further include a message body encapsulation unit, configured to encapsulate a complete message body of the message to be verified in the message verification request, so that the verification server parses the complete message body to obtain the verification information of the message to be verified.

[0077] Optionally, the device further includes a receiving channel unit, configured to obtain a receiving channel for the message to be verified, and encapsulate the receiving channel in the message verification request.

[0078] The previous descriptions are merely example implementations of the present application, but are not intended to limit the present application. Any modification, equivalent replacement, or improvement made without departing from

the spirit and principle of the present application shall fall within the protection scope of the present application.

[0079] In a typical configuration, a computing device includes one or more central processing units (CPU), an input/output interface, a network interface, and a memory.

5 **[0080]** The memory can include a non-persistent memory, a random access memory (RAM), and/or a nonvolatile memory in a computer readable medium, for example, a read-only memory (ROM) or a flash memory (flash RAM). The memory is an example of the computer readable medium.

[0081] The computer readable medium includes persistent, non-persistent,
10 movable, and unmovable media that can implement information storage by using any method or technology. Information can be a computer readable instruction, a data structure, a program module, or other data. An example of a computer storage medium includes but is not limited to a phase change memory (PRAM), a static random access memory (SRAM), a dynamic random access memory (DRAM), a
15 random access memory (RAM) of another type, a read-only memory (ROM), an electrically erasable programmable read-only memory (EEPROM), a flash memory or another memory technology, a compact disc read-only memory (CD-ROM), a digital versatile disc (DVD) or other optical storage, a cassette magnetic tape, a tape and disk storage or another magnetic storage device, or any other non-transmission media. The
20 computer storage medium can be configured to store information that can be accessed by the computing device. As described in the present specification, the computer readable medium does not include a transitory computer readable medium (transitory media) such as a modulated data signal and a carrier.

[0082] It is worthwhile to further note that in the present specification, the terms
25 "include", "contain", or their any other variants are intended to cover a non-exclusive inclusion, so that a process, a method, an article, or a device that includes a list of elements not only includes those elements but also includes other elements which are not expressly listed, or further includes elements inherent to such process, method, article, or device. An element preceded by "includes a ..." does not, without more
30 constraints, preclude the existence of additional identical elements in the process, method, article, or device that includes the element.

[0083] A person skilled in the art should understand that the implementations of the present application can be provided as a method, a system, or a computer program product. Therefore, the present application can use a form of hardware only

implementations, software only implementations, or implementations with a combination of software and hardware. Moreover, the present application can use a form of a computer program product that is implemented on one or more computer-usable storage media (including but not limited to a magnetic disk storage, a
5 CD-ROM, an optical memory, etc.) that include computer-usable program code.

CLAIM

1. A method for verifying the authenticity of a message, performed by a verification server, wherein the verification server can access a delivery message record, the delivery message record comprising identifiers of receiver users and feature information of multiple delivery messages, the method comprising:

receiving (210), from a terminal device, a request to verify a message, wherein the request comprises an identifier of a receiver user and verification information of the message to be verified,

wherein the verification information of the message to be verified comprises i) an anti-forgery code in the message to be verified and ii) message content of the message to be verified, wherein the anti-forgery code is last 4 digits of a hash value obtained by applying a predetermined hash algorithm to i) an identifier of the message and ii) a time at which the message to be verified was generated by a message server;

generating a content feature value of the message to be verified based on the message content of the message to be verified using a predetermined algorithm; and

returning (220) a verification success response to the terminal device when the delivery message record has a delivery message that has i) the same identifier of the receiver user as the message to be verified and ii) feature information comprising an anti-forgery code and a content feature value that match the anti-forgery code and generated content feature value of the message to be verified.

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the content feature value comprises a content digest generated based on the message content and the identifier of the receiver user using a predetermined digest algorithm.

3. The method according to claim 1, wherein the message verification request comprises a complete message body of the message to be verified; and

the method further comprises parsing the complete message body of the message to be verified to obtain the verification information of the message to be verified.

4. The method according to claim 1, wherein the identifier of the receiver user comprises a mobile device identifier of a user, an e-mail address, and/or a user name in an instant messaging system; and

the delivery message record further comprises a delivery channel for the delivery message, and the message verification request further comprises a receiving channel for the message to be verified, to match the delivery channel for the delivery message.

5. A method for verifying the authenticity of a message, performed by a message server, the method comprising:

generating (310) a delivery message and sending the delivery message based on an identifier of a receiver user, comprising:

generating an anti-forgery code of the delivery message by applying a predetermined hash algorithm to i) an identifier of the delivery message and ii) a current time to obtain a corresponding hash value, and using the last 4 digits of the hash value as the anti-forgery code, and

encapsulating the anti-forgery code in the delivery message, wherein a combination of the anti-forgery code and the identifier of the receiver user is in a one-to-one mapping relationship with the delivery message; and

writing (320) the identifier of the receiver user and feature information of the delivery message into a delivery message record, wherein a verification server matches the identifier of the receiver user and the feature information of the delivery message with an identifier of a receiver user and verification information of a message to be verified to determine whether the message to be verified is verified, wherein the feature information of the delivery message comprises the anti-forgery code of the delivery message and a content feature value that is generated based on message content of the delivery message using a predetermined algorithm.

6. The method according to claim 5, wherein the method further comprises:

generating a content digest based on the message content and the identifier of the receiver user of the delivery message using a predetermined digest algorithm, and

using the content digest as the content feature value of the delivery message.

7. A method for verifying the authenticity of a message, performed by a terminal device, the method comprising:

uploading (410) a message verification request to a verification server based on a user operation,

wherein the message verification request comprises an identifier of a receiver user and verification information of a message to be verified, the verification information of the message to be verified comprising i) an anti-forgery code in a message to be verified and ii) message content in the message to be verified, the anti-forgery code is last 4 digits of a hash value obtained by applying a predetermined hash algorithm to i) an identifier of the message and ii) a time at which the message to be verified was generated by a message server, and

wherein the verification server matches the identifier of the receiver user and the verification information of the message to be verified with an identifier of a receiver user and feature information of a delivery message in a delivery message record to determine whether the message to be verified is verified; and

receiving (420) a message verification response that comprises a verification result and is returned by the verification server, and displaying the verification result to a user.

8. The method according to claim 7, wherein the method further comprises encapsulating a complete message body of the message to be verified in the message verification request, wherein the verification server parses the complete message body to obtain the verification information of the message to be verified.

9. The method according to claim 7, wherein the method further comprises:

obtaining a receiving channel for the message to be verified, and
encapsulating the receiving channel in the message verification request.

10. A verification server for implementing message anti-forgery, wherein the verification server comprises multiple units configured to perform operations according to the method of any one of claims 1 to 4.

11. A message server for implementing message anti-forgery, wherein the message server comprises multiple units configured to perform operations according to the method of claim 5 or claim 6.

12. A device for implementing message anti-forgery, wherein the device comprises multiple units configured to perform operations according to the method of any one of claims 7 to 9.