

# **RAMA: Real-Time Automobile Mutual Authentication Protocol Using PUF**

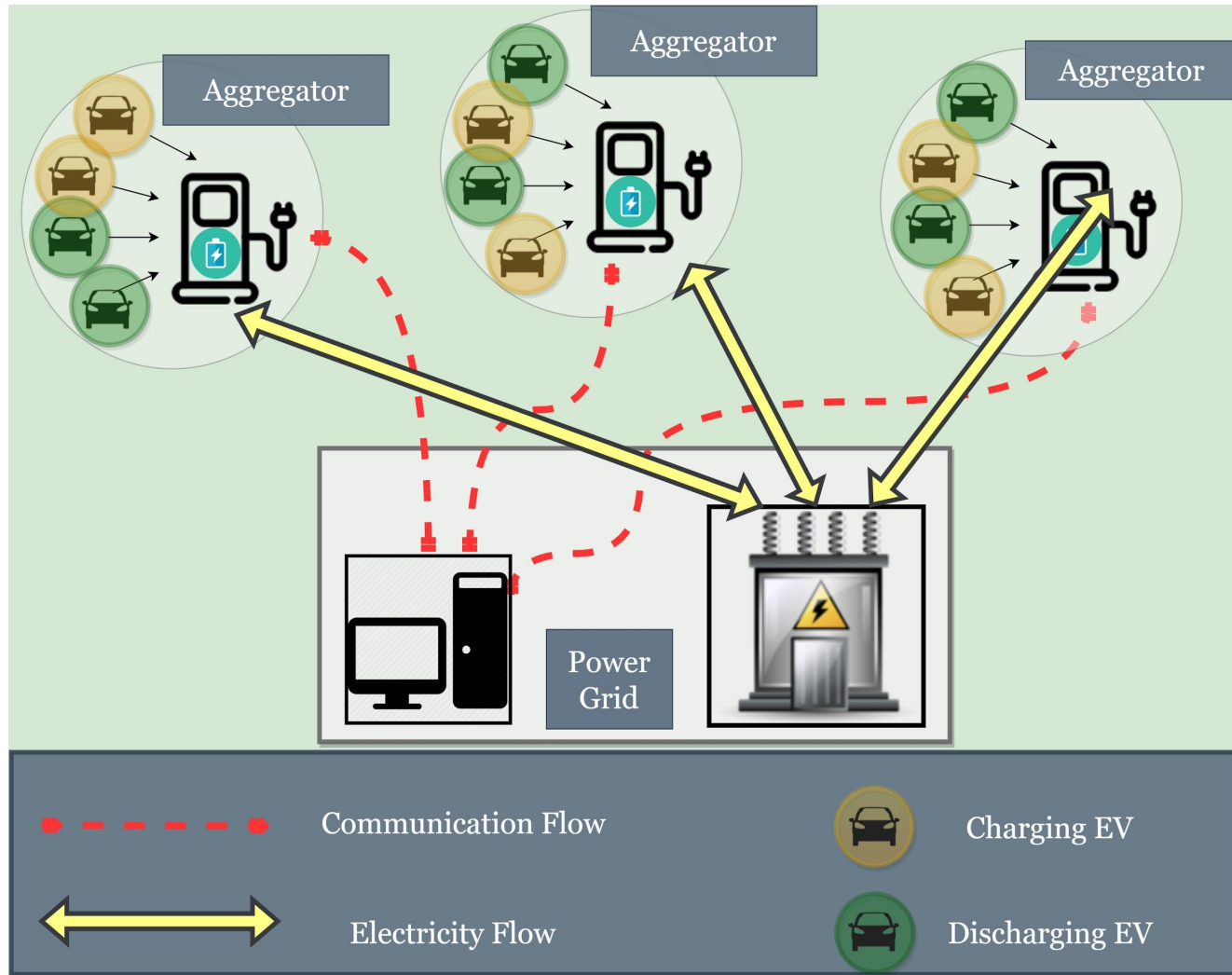
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# Problem

- Ensuring privacy and security in V2G communications
- EV charging stations/ EVs cannot be under 24x7 human supervision
- Device tampering attacks on EVs/ Charging Stations
- Ensure lightweight operation, security and privacy of EV owner.

# Network Model



# Possible Attacks

- Adversary may tap any communication
- Change, manipulate and withhold data
- Packet Injection
- Store/log messages
- Impersonate EVs or Aggregators
- Try to initiate sessions

# Attack Motives

- Gain access to the grid without being noticed.
- Greedy EV owners who want to
  - Recharge their EV's battery for free/ lower prices
  - Cheat service providers to pay more for their EV's power.
- Rouge/unauthorized aggregators who want to
  - Charge EV owners with high prices
  - Take EV's power but not pay the EV owner
  - Gather EV owner info and sell to third parties.
- Criminals who want to
  - Track location/behaviour of EV owners
  - Authenticate with the grid server with someone else's credentials to escape payment

# Security Goals

1. Confidentiality
2. Message Integrity
3. Identity Privacy
4. Authentication

# Solution

Physical Unclonable Function (PUF) Based Mutual  
Authentication

# Physical unclonable Function (PUF)

- *A physical unclonable function (sometimes also called physically unclonable function), or PUF, is a physically-defined "digital fingerprint" that serves as a unique identifier for a semiconductor device such as a microprocessor - Wiki*
- Similar to and as unique as the biometrics of a human.
- Uniqueness comes from physical microstructure variations during fabrication.
- Every single EV can have its own unique "fingerprint".
- Cannot be cloned or reproduced.



# PUF Behavior

Mathematical Function with input C and output K

C: Challenge, K: Response

$$K = \text{PUF}(C)$$

# PUF Properties

1. If an input  $C$  is given to the same PUF many times, it produces the same response  $K$ .
2. If the same input  $C$  is given to different PUFs, the responses obtained from each PUF differ greatly from each other.

## Assumptions

1. PUF is a small hardware component that is present with each participating device and is unique.
2. The communication between a device and its PUF is secure and tamper-proof.

# RAMA

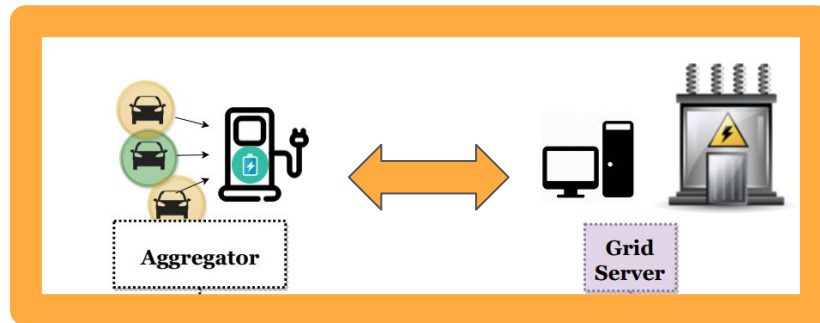
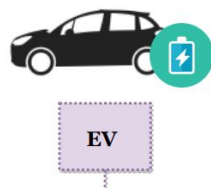
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# New EV deployment

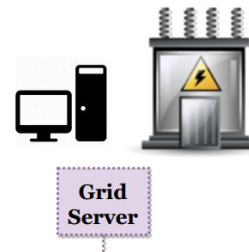
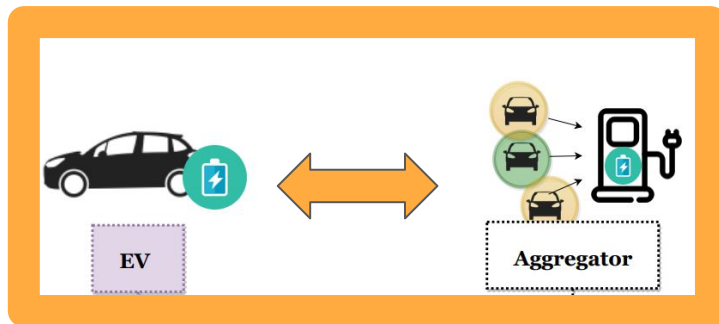
- Server has one  $(C,K)$  pair for each vehicle and aggregator.
- Register new EV for V2G services
- $(C,K)$  Acquired through a secure channel established by timed one-time password algorithm (TOTP) by an authorized operator.
- No further operator/TOTP exchange required.

# 2 Stage Protocol

Aggregator and grid.



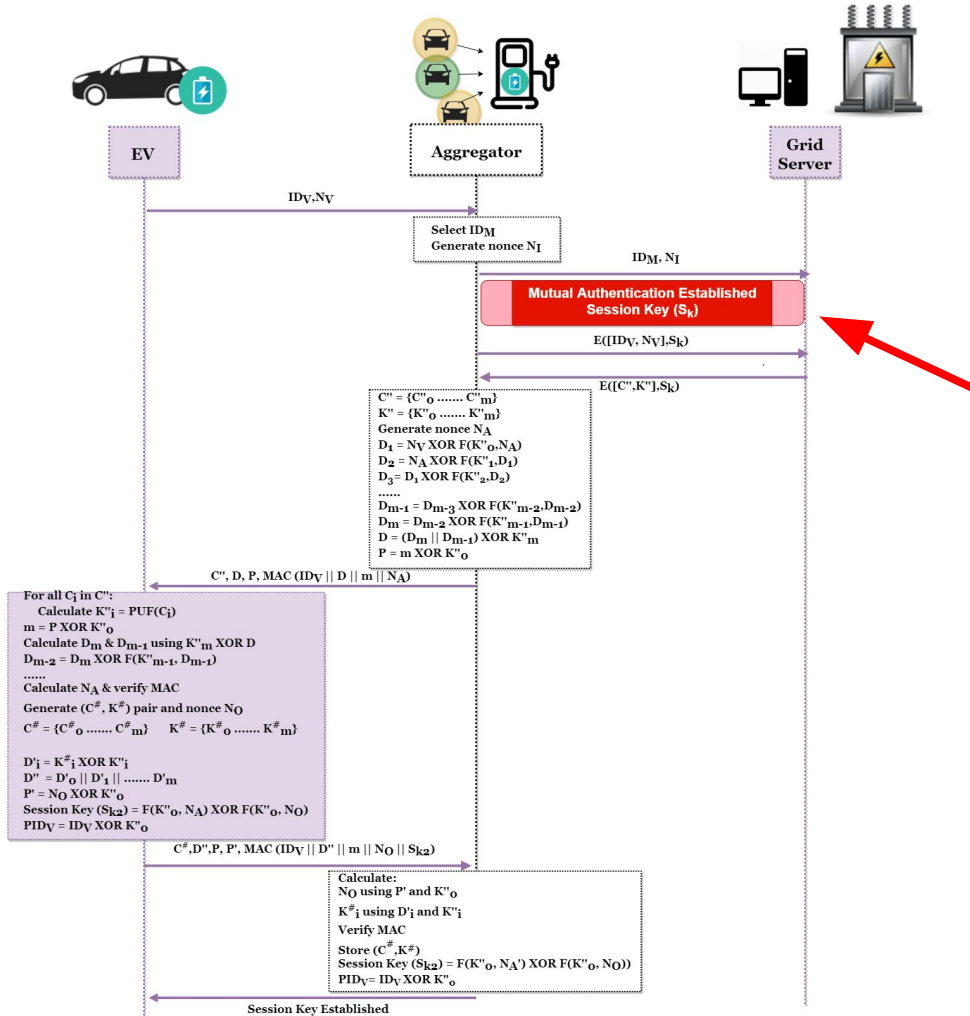
Vehicle and aggregator.



# Notations

TABLE I: Notations

Notation	Description
$V, ID_V$	Vehicle and its ID
$M, ID_M$	Aggregator(mediator) and its ID
$G$	Grid Server
$\parallel$	Concatenation operator
$\oplus$	XOR operation
$F$	A public non-linear function
$\{Msg\}_k$	Message $Msg$ is encrypted using key $k$
$Msg_{P2Q}$	Message $Msg$ is sent from V2G entity $P$ to $Q$
$MAC(X)$	Message authentication code (MAC) of $X$
$N_A, N_B, N_C$ $N_I, N_O, N_V$	Nonces generated at different stages
$(C, K), (C', K')$ $(C'', K''), (C^\#, K^\#)$	Challenge-response pairs of PUF



# Key takeaways from protocol

1. Nonces to guarantee freshness
2. Lightweight block based encryption mechanism
3. Message Authentication Code (MAC) to verify data integrity, EV/aggregator identity and nonce freshness
4. New  $(C,K)$  pair communicated for future authentication (each pair used only once)
5. PUF dependent session keys in both stages
6. Pseudo-ID generated for EV and updated in grid server



# Comparison with state-of-the-art schemes

TABLE II: Comparison of Security Features

Features	[22]	[9]	[10]	[12]	[14]	[30]	[24]	RAMA
Mutual Authentication	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
Identity Protection	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
Message Integrity	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Man-In-The-Middle Attack	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Impersonation Attack	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Replay Attack	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Session Key Security	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
Physical Security	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓

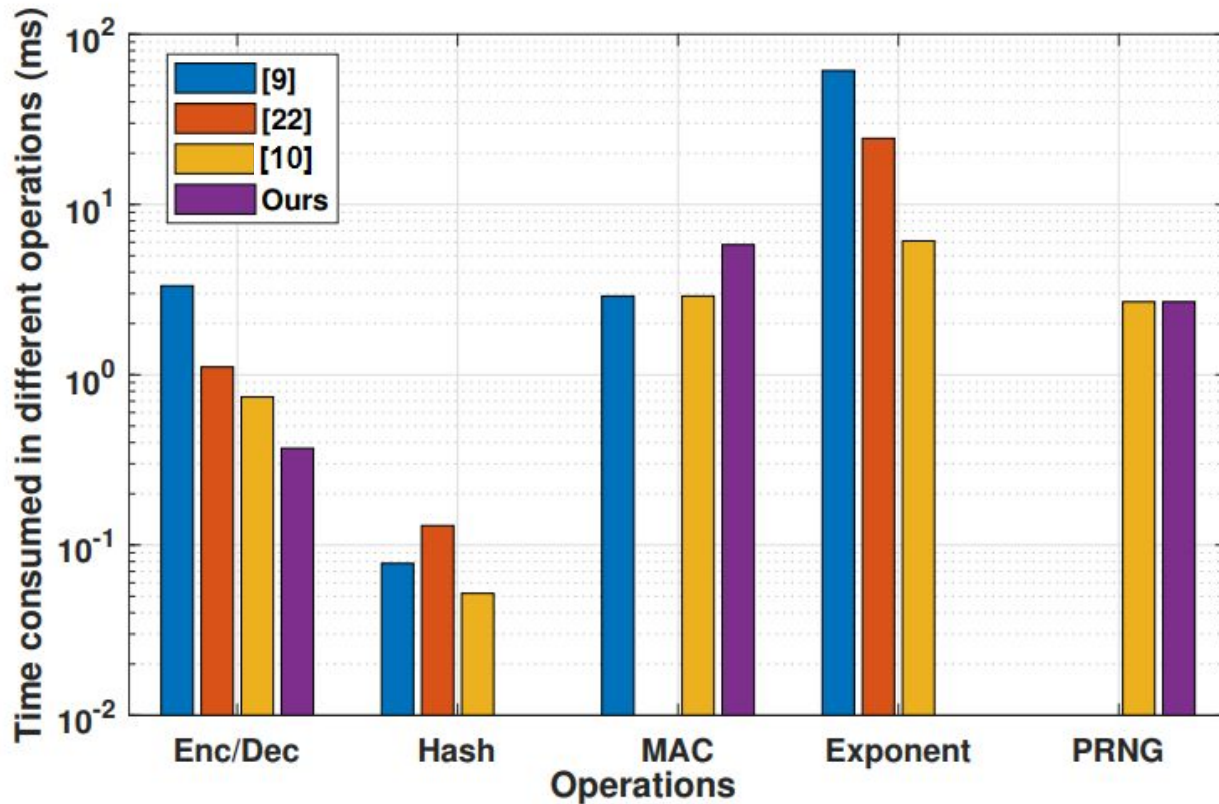
# Performance Comparison

[9]: 64.2 ms

[22]: 25.4 ms

[10]: 33.1 ms

Ours: 6.3 ms



# Conclusion

- V2G security provisioning using PUFs
- No secret information stored in EVs/ aggregators.
- One (C,K) stored for every EV and aggregator in grid server.
- Two stage protocol which generates two different session keys.
- Identity protection, message integrity, physical security, and session key security
- Protection against various attacks such as MITM attacks, replay attacks and impersonation attacks.
- simple computations, which makes it very efficient and fast.
- Well suited for V2G applications

*Thank you*