

# An Energy-Efficient Authentication Scheme Based on Chebyshev Chaotic Map for Smart Grid Environments

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**Abstract**—Electric vehicle charging is becoming more commonplace, but a number of challenges remain. For example, the wireless communications between vehicle users and aggregators can be subject to exploitation and hence, several authentication schemes have been designed to support varying levels of privacy protection. However, there are a number of limitations observed in existing authentication schemes, and examples include lack of anonymity and not considering charging peak in their design (and consequently, not meeting low energy consumption requirement in smart grid environments). More recently, there have been attempts to utilize Chebyshev chaotic map in the design of authentication mechanism, with the aims of reducing computational costs yet achieving high security. However, the security requirements of Chebyshev polynomials pose new challenges to the construction of Chebyshev chaotic maps-based authentication schemes. To solve these limitations, we propose an efficient Chebyshev polynomials algorithm by adopting a square matrix-based binary exponentiation algorithm to provide secure and efficient Chebyshev polynomial computation. We further construct an energy-efficient authentication and key negotiation scheme for the smart grid environments based on the proposed algorithm. Compared with five other competing schemes, our proposed authentication scheme achieves reduced computational

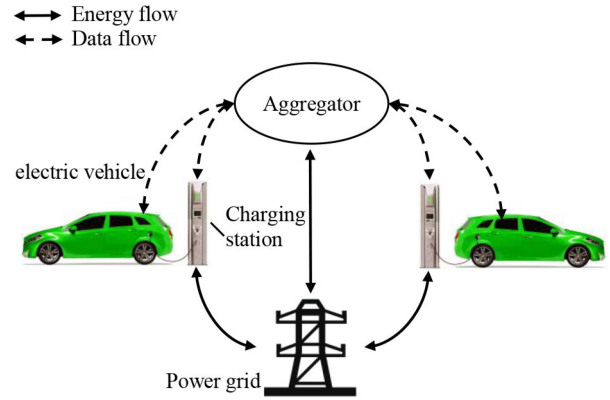


Fig. 1. System model of a basic V2G network.

and communication costs. In addition, the ProVerif tool is used to analyze the security of our proposed authentication scheme. The results show that the proposed scheme outperforms these five other schemes in terms of computation and communication overheads while achieving privacy preserving.

**Index Terms**—Authentication, Chebyshev chaotic maps, key agreement, privacy protection, smart grid environment.

## I. INTRODUCTION

SMART grids (SGs) are generally more efficient, secure, and reliable in comparison to traditional grid infrastructures. SGs underpin many other applications, such as vehicle-to-grid (V2G) networks. The latter is an emerging application, particularly in a smart city/nation context, due to the potential for electric vehicles (EVs) to (significantly) reduce pollution by using renewable resources. As shown in Fig. 1, a basic V2G network comprises three entities, namely power grid (PG), aggregator (AGT), and EVs. The PG generates electricity from new renewable sources, such as solar and wind, and then sends the resulting electricity to the charging stations.

As an intermediary between EVs and the PG, the AGT monitors and collects the EVs' current state, optimizes and adjusts EVs' charging plan, and minimizes the charging energy cost of EVs [1]. When an EV owner (EVO) intends to recharge the vehicle, he/she first logs in to the system

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using a smartcard and credentials through the EV's onboard unit [2]. Then, the EV will send a request to AGT to establish communications. Subsequently, the EVO can complete the payment by interacting with the charging station. However, the wireless communication in V2G networks can be subject to exploitation [3], [4], such as message modification attacks and man-in-the-middle attacks. In other words, sensitive information, such as EVO's identity, EV's location, and EV's route, may be leaked, and such information can be used to facilitate other nefarious activities (e.g., identity theft, financial fraud, and covert surveillance). This reinforces the importance of a secure and efficient authentication solution.

Several authentication schemes have been proposed to achieve secure communication in V2G and SG environments [1], [5]–[11], such as those based on public-key cryptography. However, authentication schemes based on public-key cryptography tend not to be energy friendly. In practice, we also have to consider peak and off-peak charging periods, which may cause a spike in demand and shortage of charging stations [12], [13]. Such a feature is not typically considered in existing authentication schemes. Therefore, how to design a secure and efficient authentication and key negotiation scheme for SGs, and in particular V2G networks, remains a challenging task.

We posit the potential of using Chebyshev polynomials in designing authentication and key negotiation schemes, with minimal computational costs and high security. However, most existing public-key algorithms based on Chebyshev polynomials to deal with real numbers is not secure [14]. To make the public key algorithm more secure and practical, Kocarev *et al.* [15] extended Chebyshev polynomials from real fields to finite fields and finite rings. Chen *et al.* [16] subsequently proved that the Chebyshev polynomials  $T_n(x) \bmod N$  is safe when modulus  $N$  is a strong prime number satisfying  $N - 1 = 2p_1$  and  $N + 1 = 2p_2$ , where  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are also prime numbers. Therefore, modulus  $N$  should be carefully selected to ensure that Chebyshev polynomials can produce sequences of sufficient period to resist violent attacks. However, in existing Chebyshev polynomials algorithms, such as the algorithms adopted in [17] and [18], the parameter  $n$  of Chebyshev polynomials  $T_n(x) \bmod N$  is constructed with small primes, which compound the challenge of designing secure Chebyshev chaotic map-based authentication schemes.

These challenges motivate us to design a practical Chebyshev polynomial algorithm and use it as a building block in the design of a secure and efficient authentication scheme for SG environments.

- 1) Specifically, we propose an efferent Chebyshev polynomial algorithm that adopts a square matrix-based binary exponentiation algorithm to realize secure and practical Chebyshev polynomial computation. Our proposed algorithm guarantees the security requirements that are proven by Chen *et al.* [16]. Also, our experimental results demonstrate that the proposed algorithm is an efficient Chebyshev polynomial algorithm.
- 2) Using the proposed Chebyshev polynomials algorithm as a building block, we further construct an energy-efficient

authentication scheme for SG environments. Our scheme realizes fast authentication and key negotiation with anonymity.

In the next section, we will briefly review the related literature. The mathematical background of Chebyshev polynomial is described in Section III. In Sections IV and V, we will present our proposed Chebyshev polynomial algorithm and authentication scheme. In Section VI, using ProVerif (an automatic verifier) we demonstrate that our authentication scheme can resist known attacks. We also remark that our proposed authentication scheme is lightweight since only efficient Chebyshev polynomials and hash functions are adopted during the authentication and key negotiations process. A comparative summary in Section VII also shows that the proposed authentication scheme is more efficient than five other competing schemes [1], [19]–[22]. Finally, we conclude this article in the last section.

## II. RELATED WORK

Over the years, a large number of authentication schemes based on public-key cryptography for SGs have been proposed. Examples include those of Wu and Zhou [23], Xia and Wang [24], Tsai and Lo [25], etc. To further enhance security while reducing computational costs, there have been attempts to utilize elliptic curve cryptography (ECC) in the design of authentication schemes, such as in the approaches of He *et al.* [26], Odelu *et al.* [20], Abbasinezhad-Mood and Nikooghdam [27], Mahmood *et al.* [21], and Kumar *et al.* [22]. However, the elliptic curve point multiplication operations in these schemes are time-consuming operations, particularly in SG environments.

As we discussed in the preceding section, there have also been attempts to use Chebyshev polynomials (a lightweight operation) in the design of authentication schemes. Chaotic maps based authentication schemes have been designed for various environments, such as multiserver [28], [29], isolated smart meters [30], and point-of-care systems [31]. Recently, Abbasinezhad-Mood *et al.* [1] adopted Chebyshev chaotic maps to design an authentication scheme for the V2G communications. While their scheme reduces computational costs in theory, the scheme only executes each cryptography operation independently on the device and then calculate a theoretical time as the execution time of their scheme, without considering other operational factors in a real-world deployment.

## III. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we review the basic concepts of Chebyshev chaotic and the corresponding difficult problems associated with it.

*Definition 1 (Chebyshev Chaotic Map):* Let  $n$  be an integer and  $x \in [-1, 1]$ , the Chebyshev polynomial is defined as (1) or (2) [32]–[35]

$$T_n(x) = \cos(n \cos^{-1}(x)) \quad (1)$$

$$T_n(x) = 2xT_{n-1}(x) - T_{n-2}(x); n \geq 2, T_0(x) = 1, T_1(x) = x. \quad (2)$$

**Definition 2 (Semigroup Property):** One of the most important property of Chebyshev polynomial is the semigroup property, which is shown as

$$T_u(T_v(x)) = T_{uv}(x) = T_v(T_u(x)). \quad (3)$$

Zhang [36] demonstrated that the semigroup property of Chebyshev polynomials also holds, when Chebyshev polynomial domain is defined on intervals  $(-\infty, +\infty)$ . The enhanced Chebyshev polynomial is defined as (4), where  $p$  is a large prime number

$$T_n(x) = (2xT_{n-1}(x) - T_{n-2}(x)) \bmod p, \quad n \geq 2, \quad x \in (-\infty, +\infty). \quad (4)$$

**Definition 3 (Chaotic Map-Based Discrete Logarithm Problem (CMBDLP) [35], [37], [38]):** Given  $x$  and  $y$ , it is almost impossible to find the integer  $v$ , such that  $T_v(x) = y$ . The probability that an adversary  $A$  can solve the CMBDLP is defined as  $\text{Adv}_A^{\text{CMBDLP}}(p) = \Pr[A(x, y) = v : v \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*, y = T_v(x) \bmod p]$ .

**Definition 4 (CMBDLP Assumption [35], [37], [38]):** For any probabilistic polynomial time-bounded adversary  $A$ ,  $\text{Adv}_A^{\text{CMBDLP}}(p)$  is negligible, that is,  $\text{Adv}_A^{\text{CMBDLP}}(p) < \varepsilon$ .

**Definition 5 (Chaotic Map-Based Diffie-Hellman Problem (CMBDHP) [35], [37], [38]):** Given  $x$ ,  $T_u(x)$  and  $T_v(x)$ , it is almost impossible to find  $T_{uv}(x)$ . The probability that a polynomial time-bounded adversary  $A$  can solve the CMBDHP is defined as  $\text{Adv}_A^{\text{CMBDHP}}(p) = \Pr[A(x, T_u(x) \bmod p, T_v(x) \bmod p) = T_{uv}(x) \bmod p : u, v \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*]$ .

**Definition 6 (CMBDHP Assumption [35], [37], [38]):** For any probabilistic polynomial time-bounded adversary  $A$ ,  $\text{Adv}_A^{\text{CMBDHP}}(p)$  is negligible, that is,  $\text{Adv}_A^{\text{CMBDHP}}(p) < \varepsilon$ .

#### IV. OUR PROPOSED CHEBYSHEV POLYNOMIAL ALGORITHM

In this section, we describe our proposed Chebyshev polynomial algorithm. To satisfy the security requirements and reduce time complexity, we adopt a binary exponentiation algorithm based on a square matrix to compute Chebyshev polynomials. Furthermore, we employ the following matrices instead of recursive relationships to define Chebyshev polynomials:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} T_{n+1}(x) \\ T_n(x) \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2x & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_n(x) \\ T_{n-1}(x) \end{bmatrix} \bmod q \\ \begin{bmatrix} T_{n+1}(x) \\ T_n(x) \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2x & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^2 \begin{bmatrix} T_{n-1}(x) \\ T_{n-2}(x) \end{bmatrix} \\ &\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2x & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^n \begin{bmatrix} T_1(x) \\ T_0(x) \end{bmatrix} \bmod q. \end{aligned}$$

The  $n$ th power modulus  $q$  of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2x & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  can be solved by the binary power algorithm in polynomial time. The detailed steps of the proposed algorithm to compute  $T_n(x) \bmod N$  are shown in Fig. 2, where  $[n]$  denotes the integer part of  $n$ .

To meet the security requirements, in our proposed Chebyshev polynomial algorithm,  $n$  is a large prime number, and modulus  $N$  is a strong prime number satisfying  $N - 1 =$

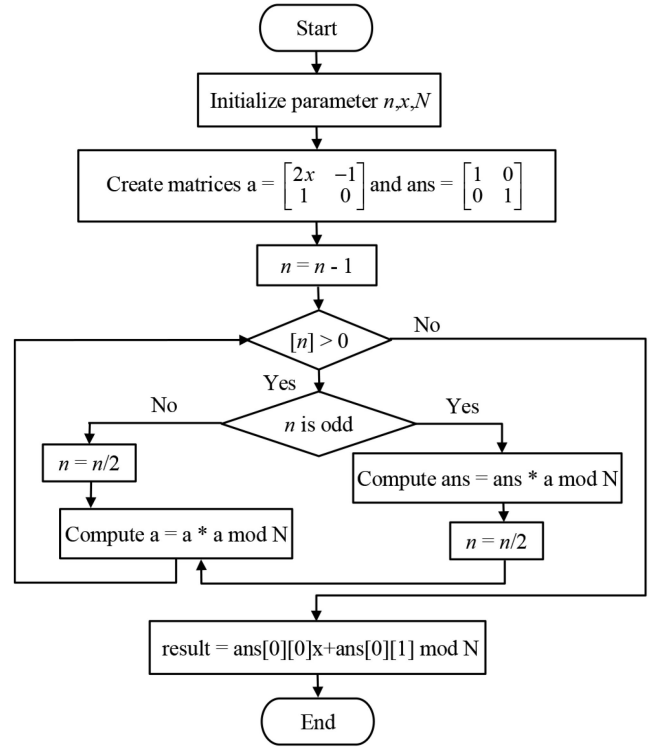


Fig. 2. Flowchart of Chebyshev polynomial algorithm.

TABLE I  
EXECUTION TIMES OF CHEBYSHEV POLYNOMIAL

The bits of parameter $n$	Execution time
128bits	0.184628ms
160bits	0.237291ms
256bits	0.379685ms
512bits	0.752449ms

$2p_1$  and  $N + 1 = 2p_2$ . Therefore, our proposed algorithm is safe according to [16]. Furthermore, we have implemented the Chebyshev polynomial operations on Intel Pentium CPU G850 to investigate the practicability of our proposed algorithm. Table I illustrates that the proposed algorithm is an efficient Chebyshev polynomial algorithm. Furthermore, we can conclude from Table I that the execution time of Chebyshev polynomial increases with the parameter  $n$  increases. The above conclusion also shows that the calculation method of execution time adopted in [1] is inappropriate.

#### V. OUR PROPOSED AUTHENTICATION SCHEME

Using the proposed Chebyshev polynomial algorithm described in Section IV as a building block, we will now present our lightweight authentication scheme. The latter consists of four phases, namely: system setup phase, registration phase, login phase, and authentication phase. First, the trusted authority (TA) generates some system parameters in the system setup phase. Then, in the registration phase, TA completes registration of the electric vehicle (EV<sub>i</sub>) with a smartcard and the aggregator (AGT<sub>j</sub>) using a secure channel. Finally, in the authentication phase, EV and AGT authenticate each other

TABLE II  
NOTATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

Notation	Definition
$ID_i$	Identity of the $i^{th}$ electric vehicle
$ID_j$	Identity of the $j^{th}$ aggregator
$x$	The seed of Chebyshev polynomial
$p$	Large prime number
$h(\cdot)$	Secure hash function
$r_i, r_j, r_u, r_s, r_1, r_2$	high-entropy random numbers
$k, pub_{TA}$	Private/public key of TA
$k_i, k_j$	Private key of $EV_i$ and $AGT_j$
$SK_{ij}, SK_{ji}$	Session key of $EV_i$ and $AGT_j$
$\parallel$	Concatenation operation
$\oplus$	Exclusive-or operation

and establish session keys for future communications. Some notations employed in this article are described in Table II.

#### A. System Setup Phase

In this phase, trusted authority (TA) selects system parameters and generates its key pairs. Meanwhile, TA completes the registration of each aggregator  $AGT_j$  before the deployment. The detailed steps are given as follows.

*Step 1:* The trusted authority first chooses a large prime integer  $p$ , and then selects a high entropy random integer  $x \in Z_n^*$  as the seed of Chebyshev polynomial.

*Step 2:* TA chooses a high entropy random integer  $k \in Z_n^*$  as its private key, and then calculates its corresponding public key  $pub_{TA}$  as in (5). Next, the TA generates its identity  $ID_{TA}$  and calculates a pseudoidentity for itself using the value  $ID_{TA}$  and its private key  $k$  as (6)

$$pub_{TA} = T_k(x) \bmod p \quad (5)$$

$$RID_{TA} = h(ID_{TA} \parallel k). \quad (6)$$

*Step 3:* The trusted authority TA chooses a collision-resistant hash functions  $h() : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^l$ . Next, it publishes system parameters  $\{p, x, pub_{TA}, h()\}$  and keeps its privacy key  $k$  secretly.

#### B. Registration Phase

When an electric vehicle  $EV_i$  wants to access the aggregator  $AGT_j$ , it needs to perform the following registration process. In this phase, a smartcard is issued for each electric vehicle owner and the communication channels are supposed to be secure.

*Step 1:* First, the aggregator  $AGT_j$  generates its identity  $ID_j$ , and selects a random integer  $r_j \in Z_n^*$ . Then it calculates its pseudoidentity  $RID_j$  as in (7) and sends it to the trusted authority TA in a secure channel. Next, the TA selects a high entropy random integer  $r_s \in Z_n^*$  and computes  $Q_j$  as in (8) using this integer, the received value  $RID_j$ , its public key  $pub_{TA}$  and private key  $k$ . Then TA further adopts the computed value  $Q_j$ ,

random integer  $r_s$  and its private key  $k$  to calculate the signature  $s_j$  as (9). After that, it sends the message  $\{RID_{TA}, Q_j, s_j\}$  to aggregator  $AGT_j$  in a secure channel. Subsequently, aggregator  $AGT_j$  computes its private key  $k_j$  as (10) using the signature  $s_j$  received from the TA. Finally, the aggregator  $AGT_j$  stores the information  $\{RID_{TA}, RID_j, Q_j, k_j\}$  in its memory secretly. When this step is finished, the registration process of the aggregator  $AGT_j$  on the TA is completed

$$RID_j = h(ID_j \oplus r_j) \quad (7)$$

$$Q_j = T_{RID_j} T_{h(r_s \oplus k)}(pub_{TA}) \quad (8)$$

$$s_j = h(RID_j \parallel Q_j) h(r_s \oplus k) \quad (9)$$

$$k_j = h(ID_j \oplus r_j) s_j. \quad (10)$$

*Step 2:* The electric vehicle owner (EVO) freely chooses his/her identity  $ID_i$  and password  $PW_i$ . Then, it selects a high entropy random integer  $r_i \in Z_n^*$  and calculates its pseudoidentity  $RID_i$  as in (11). It also adopts its identity  $ID_i$  and password  $PW_i$  to compute  $RPW_i$  as in (12). After that, EVO sends message  $\{ID_i, RID_i, RPW_i\}$  to the trusted authority TA in a secure channel. Next, the trusted authority TA selects a high entropy random integer  $r_u \in Z_n^*$  and then uses this integer, EVO's pseudoidentity  $RID_i$ , public key  $pub_{TA}$  and private key  $k$  to obtain  $Q_i$  as in (13). Then, the TA further calculates the signature  $s_i$  as (14) via the computed value  $Q_i$ , pseudoidentity  $RID_i$ , random integer  $r_u$  and private key  $k$ . Next, the TA adopts its private key  $k$  and the computed value  $RPW_i$  to generate  $Y$  as in (15). Then TA sends  $\{ID_i, RPW_i\}$  to the relevant  $AGT_j$ . After receiving the message, the  $AGT_j$  computes  $A_i$  as (16),  $Z$  as (17) and  $M_i$  as (18). Afterward,  $AGT_j$  sends  $\{Z, M_i, RID_j, Q_j\}$  to the TA. After that, TA writes  $\{Z, M_i, RID_j, Q_j, RID_{TA}, Y, s_i\}$  into the smartcard and sends the smartcard to EVO using a secure way. When EVO receives the smartcard, it adopts  $Y$  stored in the smartcard and its identity  $ID_i$  to compute  $I$  as (19). And then it computes the private key  $k_i$  as (20) using its privacy information  $\{ID_i, PW_i, r_i\}$  and the signature  $s_i$  of the TA. Then, the EVO stores the information  $\{k_i\}$  and replaces the  $Y$  with  $I$  in the memory of his/her smartcard. Finally, the memory of the smartcard contains  $\{RID_{TA}, I, k_i, Z, M_i, RID_j, Q_j\}$ . After this step, the EV/EVO finishes the registration at the TA

$$RID_i = h(r_i \oplus ID_i) \quad (11)$$

$$RPW_i = h(ID_i \oplus PW_i) \quad (12)$$

$$Q_i = T_{RID_i} T_{h(r_u \oplus k)}(pub_{TA}) \quad (13)$$

$$s_i = h(RID_i \parallel Q_i) h(r_u \oplus k) \quad (14)$$

$$Y = T_{RPW_i} T_k(x) \quad (15)$$

$$A_i = h(ID_i \parallel k_j) \quad (16)$$

$$Z = RPW_i \oplus A_i \quad (17)$$

$$M_i = ID_i \oplus h(k_j) \quad (18)$$

$$I = T_{ID_i}(Y) \quad (19)$$

$$k_i = h(r_i \oplus ID_i \parallel PW_i) s_i. \quad (20)$$

#### C. Login Phase

In this phase, the registered EVO makes a login request to the aggregator  $AGT_j$ .

*Step 1:* The EVO inserts the smartcard into  $EV_i$  and then inputs the identity  $ID_i$  and password  $PW_i$ .

*Step 2:* Then the electric vehicle  $EV_i$  computes  $RPW_i$  as (21) using the inputted identity  $ID_i$  and  $PW_i$  and computes  $I_0$  as (22) to check whether the value of  $I_0$  and  $I$  are equal. If true, electric vehicle  $EV_i$  selects a high entropy random integer  $r_1 \in Z_n^*$  and calculates  $C_1$  as (23). Then  $EV_i$  computes  $A_i$  as (24) and  $C_2$  as (25). Finally, the electric vehicle  $EV_i$  sends the login request  $\{C_1, C_2, M_i\}$  to the corresponding aggregator  $AGT_j$  via a public channel

$$RPW_i = h(ID_i \oplus PW_i) \quad (21)$$

$$I_0 = T_{ID_i}(T_{RPW_i}(\text{pub}_{TA})) \quad (22)$$

$$C_1 = T_{r_1}(x) \quad (23)$$

$$A_i = Z \oplus RPW_i \quad (24)$$

$$C_2 = h(ID_i || RID_j || A_i || C_1). \quad (25)$$

#### D. Authentication Phase

To achieve authentication and key negotiation, some messages are required to transmit between electric vehicle  $EV_i$  and accessed aggregator  $AGT_j$  during the authentication phase. The detailed steps are shown as follows.

*Step 1:* When  $AGT_j$  receives the login request  $\{C_1, C_2, M_i\}$ , it first gets the identity of  $EV_i$  as (26) using its secret key  $k_j$  and the received  $M_i$ . Next, it further computes  $A'_i$  as (27),  $C'_2$  as (28) and checks whether the equation  $C'_2 = C_2$  holds. If true, it selects a random integer  $r_2 \in Z_n^*$  and computes  $C_3$  as (29). And the aggregator  $AGT_j$  further computes  $X$  as (30). Finally, it generates an authentication message  $Auth_s$  as (31) and sends message  $\{C_3, Auth_s\}$  to the  $EV_i$  via a public channel

$$ID_i = M_i \oplus h(k_j) \quad (26)$$

$$A'_i = h(ID_i || k_j) \quad (27)$$

$$C'_2 = h(ID_i || RID_j || A'_i || C_1) \quad (28)$$

$$C_3 = T_{r_2}(Q_j) \quad (29)$$

$$X = T_{r_2 k_j}(C_1) = T_{r_1 r_2 k_j}(x) \quad (30)$$

$$Auth_s = h(X || A'_i || ID_i || RID_j || C_3). \quad (31)$$

*Step 2:* When the electric vehicle  $EV_i$  receives responding message  $\{C_3, Auth_s\}$  from aggregator  $AGT_j$ , it uses the  $\{RID_j, Q_j\}$  and  $C_3$  to obtain  $X'$  as (32). Next, the electric vehicle  $EV_i$  computes  $Auth'_s$  as (33) and compares it with  $Auth_s$ . If they are equivalent, it computes  $C_4$  as (34). After that, the electric vehicle  $EV_i$  uses the computed value  $X'$  and  $C_4$  to generate its authentication message  $Auth_u$  as (35). Finally, the electric vehicle  $EV_i$  computes the session key  $SK_{ij}$  as (36) and sends the message  $\{C_4, Auth_u\}$  to the aggregator  $AGT_j$

$$X' = T_{r_1}(T_{h(RID_j || Q_j)}(C_3)) = T_{r_1 h(RID_j || Q_j) r_2}(Q_j) \quad (32)$$

$$Auth'_s = h(X' || A_i || ID_i || RID_j || C_3) \quad (33)$$

$$C_4 = h(A_i || X') \quad (34)$$

$$Auth_u = h(X' || C_4) \quad (35)$$

$$SK_{ij} = h(RID_{TA} || X' || A_i). \quad (36)$$

*Step 3:* When aggregator  $AGT_j$  obtains the message from the  $EV_i$ , it first computes  $Auth'_u$  as (37). And then the  $AGT_j$

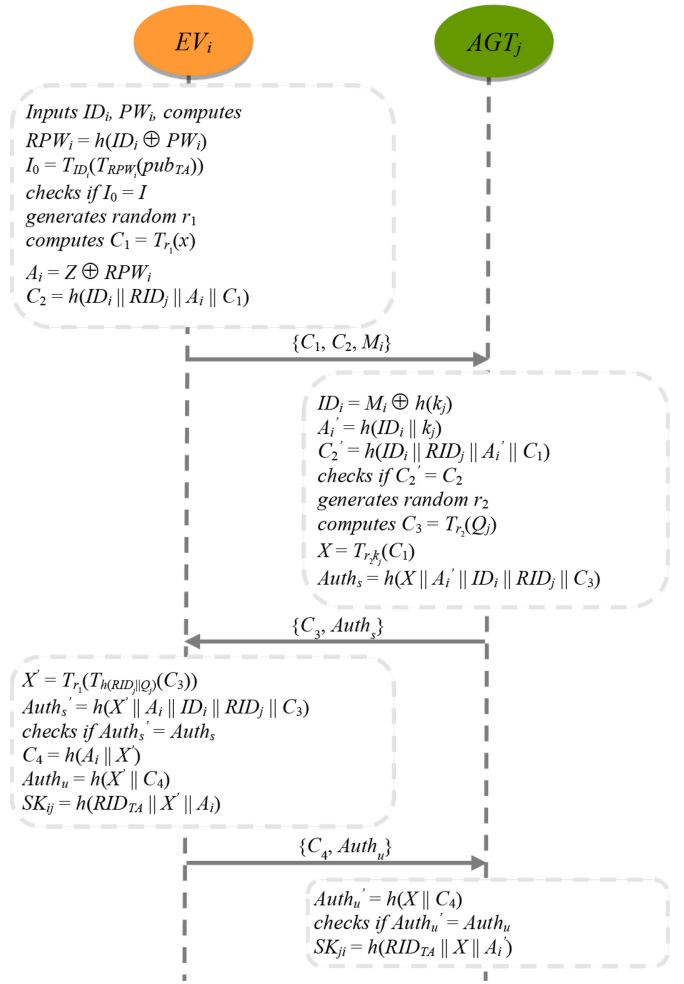


Fig. 3. Illustration of login and authentication phases.

checks whether the values of  $Auth'_u$  and  $Auth_u$  are equal. If equal, The aggregator  $AGT_j$  obtains the shared session key  $SK_{ji}(=SK_{ij})$  as (38)

$$Auth'_u = h(X || C_4) = h(T_{r_2 k_j}(C_1) || C_4) \quad (37)$$

$$SK_{ji} = h(RID_{TA} || X || A'_i). \quad (38)$$

Finally, the electric vehicle  $EV_i$  and the aggregator  $AGT_j$  achieve mutual authentication and key negotiation. The login and authentication processes also are shown in Fig. 3.

Suppose that the  $EV_i$  and the  $AGT_j$  are legal. The  $SK_{ij}$  is the session key generated by the  $EV_i$  and the  $SK_{ji}$  is the session key computed by the  $AGT_j$ . Now we prove that the equation  $SK_{ij} = SK_{ji}$  is held in our proposed scheme.

*Proof:*

$$\begin{aligned} SK_{ij} &= h(RID_{TA} || X' || A_i) \\ &= h(RID_{TA} || T_{r_1}(T_{h(RID_j || Q_j)}(C_3)) || h(ID_i || k_j)) \\ &= h(RID_{TA} || T_{r_1}(T_{h(RID_j || Q_j)}(T_{r_2}(Q_j))) || h(ID_i || k_j)) \\ &= h(RID_{TA} || T_{r_1 r_2 h(RID_j || Q_j)} T_{RID_j} T_{(r_s \oplus k)}(\text{pub}_{TA}) || A'_i) \\ &= h(RID_{TA} || T_{r_1 r_2 h(RID_j || Q_j)} h(ID_j \oplus r_j) h(r_s \oplus k)(x) || A'_i) \end{aligned}$$

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(***** EVi *****)
let pEVi =
in (c, (C3 : bitstring, Auths : bitstring));
let xX = Cheb(r1, Cheb(HashFunTwo(RIDj, Qj), C3)) in
let xAuths = HashFunFive(xX, Ai, IDi, RIDj, C3) in
if (xAuths = Auths) then
let C4 = HashFunTwo(Ai, xX) in
let Authu = HashFunTwo(xX, C4) in
let SKij = HashFunThree(RIDTA, xX, Ai) in
event startEVi;
out (c, (C4, Authu));
event endEVi;
0.

(***** AGTj *****)
let pAGTj =
new r2 : bitstring;
in (c, (C1 : bitstring, C2 : bitstring, Mi : bitstring));
let IDi = DXORFun(Mi, HashFunOne(kj)) in
let xAi = HashFunTwo(IDi, kj) in
let xC2 = HashFunFour(IDi, RIDj, xAi, C1) in
if (xC2 = C2) then
let C3 = Cheb(r2, Qj) in
let X = Cheb(MulFun(r2, kj), C1) in
let Auths = HashFunFive(X, xAi, IDi, RIDj, C3) in
event startAGTj;
out (c, (C3, Auths));
in (c, (C4 : bitstring, Authu : bitstring));
let xAuthu = HashFunTwo(X, C4) in
if (xAuthu = Authu) then
let SKji = HashFunThree(RIDTA, X, xAi) in
event endAGTj;
0.

process
((!pEVi) | (!pAGTj))

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Fig. 4. Authentication phase of the EV<sub>i</sub> and the AGT<sub>j</sub>.

$$\begin{aligned}
&= h(\text{RID}_{\text{TA}} || T_{r_1 r_2 h(\text{ID}_j \oplus r_j) s_j}(x) || A'_i) \\
&= h(\text{RID}_{\text{TA}} || T_{r_1 r_2 k_j}(x) || A'_i) \\
&= h(\text{RID}_{\text{TA}} || T_{r_2 k_j}(C_1) || A'_i) \\
&= h(\text{RID}_{\text{TA}} || X || A'_i) \\
&= \text{SK}_{ji}.
\end{aligned}$$

## VI. SECURITY ANALYSIS

In this section, we adopt an automatic verifier named ProVerif to analyze the security of our proposed scheme. Moreover, several possible attacks are discussed in Section VI-B.

### A. Automatic Formal Verification of Security Using ProVerif

In this section, we demonstrate the security of the proposed scheme using a widely accepted automatic protocol verifier named ProVerif [39]. ProVerif can be utilized to verify observational equivalences, correspondence assertions, and reachability properties. Specifically, we can validate the resistance of cryptographic protocols against impersonation attacks, modification attacks, and replay attacks by launching injective correspondence assertion queries. Moreover, by using observational equivalence queries, some security properties, such as identity guessing attacks can be verified via ProVerif. Furthermore, by making reachability queries, both the anonymity feature and the secrecy of the session key can be checked. Significantly,

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RESULT not attacker(ki[]) is true. (1)
RESULT not attacker(kj[]) is true. (2)
RESULT not attacker(SKij[]) is true. (3)
RESULT not attacker(SKji[]) is true. (4)
RESULT not attacker(IDi[]) is true. (5)
RESULT not attacker(IDj[]) is true. (6)
RESULT inj-event(endAGTj) ==> inj-event(startAGTj) is true. (7)
RESULT inj-event(endEVi) ==> inj-event(startEVi) is true. (8)

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Fig. 5. Results from the ProVerif(1).

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RESULT not attacker(ki[]) is false. (1)
RESULT not attacker(kj[]) is false. (2)
RESULT not attacker(SKij[]) is true. (3)
RESULT not attacker(SKji[]) is true. (4)
RESULT not attacker(IDi[]) is true. (5)
RESULT not attacker(IDj[]) is true. (6)
RESULT inj-event(endAGTj) ==> inj-event(startAGTj) is true. (7)
RESULT inj-event(endEVi) ==> inj-event(startEVi) is true. (8)

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Fig. 6. Results from the ProVerif(2).

ProVerif can also be used to verify the perfect forward secrecy of the protocol by leaking some parameters. So, we employed ProVerif tool to implement our proposed authentication scheme and the authentication phase of the EV<sub>i</sub> and the AGT<sub>j</sub> are shown in Fig. 4.

Fig. 5 indicates the results from the Proverif. From Fig. 5, results (1) and (2) show that the adversary cannot obtain EV<sub>i</sub>'s private key  $k_i$  and AGT<sub>j</sub>'s private key  $k_j$ . Results (3) and (4) demonstrate the secrecy of the session keys SK<sub>ij</sub> and SK<sub>ji</sub>. Results (5)-(6) prove the anonymity of the EV<sub>i</sub> and the AGT<sub>j</sub>. Results (7) and (8) are the results of two injective correspondence assertions that show that the mutual authentication between EV<sub>i</sub> and the AGT<sub>j</sub> is valid. In addition, injectivity allows the EV<sub>i</sub> and the AGT<sub>j</sub> to check the freshness of their received messages which can resist replay attacks. Therefore, results (1)–(8) prove that our proposed authentication scheme achieves mutual authentication, session key security, user anonymity and can resist replay attacks.

Moreover, we also conducted experiments to demonstrate that the proposed scheme realizes perfect forward secrecy. In our experiments, the private keys of the EV<sub>i</sub> and the AGT<sub>j</sub> are transmitted over the public channel  $c$ , which means long-term keys are leaked to the adversary. As results (1) and (2) of Fig. 6 shows that both “not attacker(ki[])” and “not attacker(kj[])” are false, which proves that the adversary has obtained the  $k_i$  and the  $k_j$ . However, the results of “not attacker(SK<sub>ij</sub>[])” and “not attacker(SK<sub>ji</sub>[])” are still true. It demonstrates that even if the  $k_i$  and the  $k_j$  are leaked, the session key SK<sub>ij</sub>(SK<sub>ji</sub>) cannot be compromised. Therefore, the perfect forward secrecy is achieved in our proposed scheme.

### B. Discussion on Possible Attacks

In Section VI-A, we have adopted ProVerif to demonstrate that the proposed scheme realizes mutual authentication, perfect forward secrecy, user anonymity, and session key security, and can resist replay attacks. So, in this section, we focus on some other attacks that we have not discussed in detail, such as smartcard stolen attacks, etc.



TABLE III  
SECURITY FEATURES COMPARISONS OF RELATED SCHEMES

Security attributes	[3]	[21]	[22]	[23]	[24]	Ours
Replay attacks resistance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Man-in-the-middle attacks resistance	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	✓
Modification attacks resistance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Privileged-Insider attacks resistance	✓	✓	×	✓	-	✓
Insider impersonation attacks resistance	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	✓
Offline password guessing attacks resistance	✓	✓	-	-	-	✓
Perfect forward secrecy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Session key security	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Anonymity	✓	✓	✓	×	✓	✓
Low computational cost	✓	×	×	×	×	✓
Low communication cost	✓	✓	×	×	×	✓
Formal security analysis/proof	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Automatic formal verification of security	×	×	×	×	×	✓

*Man-in-the-Middle Attacks:* In our scheme, electric vehicle  $EV_i$  and aggregator  $AGT_j$  can share a session key  $SK_{ij}(SK_{ji})$  only after they authenticate each other. In Section VI-A we have demonstrated that our scheme provides mutual authentication via ProVerif, so adversary  $A$  cannot establish independent connections with either  $AGT_j$ , or  $EV_i$ . Therefore, the adversary  $A$  cannot launch man-in-the-middle attacks successfully.

*Modification Attacks:* Suppose that an adversary  $A$  modifies message  $\{C_3, Auth_s\}$  with  $\{C_3^*, Auth_s^*\}$  and delivers this fraud message to electric vehicle  $EV_i$  to impersonate aggregator  $AGT_j$ . However, without the knowledge of the  $EV_i$ 's identity  $ID_i$  and the  $AGT_j$ 's secret key  $k_j$ , the adversary  $A$  cannot generate a valid  $A'_i$  to pass  $EV_i$ 's verification. So, these attacks will be found when  $EV_i$  checks whether the equation  $Auth'_s = Auth_s$  holds.

Furthermore, assume that an adversary  $A$  modifies message  $\{C_1^*, C_2^*, M_i^*\}$  and then sends it to the  $AGT_j$ . Similarly, if  $A$  attempts to pass the  $AGT_j$ 's verification, he/she requires to calculate a appropriate  $C_2 = h(ID_i || RID_j || A_i || C_1)$ . However, the adversary  $A$  cannot construct a valid  $A_i$  to make the equation  $C_2^* = C_2$  equal. Therefore, our scheme can resist these attacks successfully.

*Privileged-Insider Attacks:* Assume that an adversary  $A$  is a privileged-insider user, and he/she possesses registration message  $\{RID_i, RPW_i, ID_i\}$  of the  $EV_i$ . Since the  $EVO$ 's  $PW_i$  is protected by a secure hash function in our design, the adversary  $A$  cannot get the  $EVO$ 's real identity  $ID_i$  and password  $PW_i$ , and thus cannot figure out the  $I_0 = T_{ID_i}(T_{h(ID_i \oplus PW_i)}(pub_{TA}))$  further. Therefore, we conclude that our scheme provides resistance of privileged-insider attacks.

*Insider Impersonation Attacks:* Assume a legal electric vehicle  $EV_a$  becomes a malicious adversary and try to impersonate another legal  $EV_i$ . However, without knowing the  $EV_i$ 's  $ID_i$ ,  $PW_i$  and  $Z$ , the  $EV_a$  cannot figure out the  $EV_i$ 's private information  $A_i$  to pass the verification of the  $AGT_j$ . So, malicious electric vehicle  $EV_a$  cannot impersonate a legal electric vehicle  $EV_i$  to communicate with the  $AGT_j$ . On the other hand, when a registered aggregator  $AGT_b$  becomes a malicious attacker and try to impersonate another legitimate aggregator

$AGT_j$ , he/she needs to obtain  $AGT_j$ 's private key  $k_j$ . However, without the knowledge of  $AGT_j$ 's  $ID_j$ ,  $r_j$  and  $s_j$ , the  $AGT_b$  cannot calculate  $k_j$  correctly. Therefore, our scheme achieves resistance of insider impersonation attacks.

*Offline Password Guessing Attacks With/Without Smart Cards:* Assume that an adversary  $A$  obtains all the messages relayed between the  $EV_i$  and the  $AGT_j$  and tries to launch offline dictionary attacks to get  $EV_i$ 's password. To obtain the  $PW_i$ , the adversary  $A$  first needs to extract  $A_i$  from  $C_2$ . Even if the adversary  $A$  gets the  $k_i$ , he/she still cannot obtain  $PW_i$  without the knowledge of  $EV_i$ 's  $ID_i$ ,  $r_i$  and  $s_i$ . Therefore, the adversary  $A$  cannot launch offline dictionary attacks without smartcards successfully.

Suppose that an adversary  $A$  compromises all private information  $\{RID_{TA}, I, k_i, Z, M_i, RID_j, Q_j\}$  stored in the smartcard of the  $EV_i$  and performs offline dictionary attacks with smartcards. Compared with the offline dictionary attack without smartcards, the additional information known by the adversary  $A$  in these attacks is the information  $\{RID_{TA}, I, k_i, Z, M_i, RID_j, Q_j\}$  stored in the smartcard. According to the above discussion, the adversary  $A$  cannot obtain the  $EV_i$ 's  $PW_i$  by using  $k_i$ . Furthermore, when the adversary  $A$  tries to extract  $PW_i$  from  $I = T_{ID_i}(T_{h(ID_i \oplus PW_i)}(x))$ , he/she will face the CMBDLP. Even if the adversary  $A$  solves the CMBDLP, without knowing the  $EV_i$ 's  $ID_i$  and the  $TA$ 's private key  $k_i$ , he/she still cannot guess  $PW_i$  correctly. Thus, the proposed scheme achieves resistance of offline password guessing attacks with/without smartcards.

## VII. PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

In this section, we evaluate the security features, computational costs, and communication costs of our scheme and those of five other competing schemes [1], [19]–[22].

### A. Comparison of Security Features

The security features of our scheme and the other five related schemes [1], [19]–[22] are discussed in this section. As shown in Table III, Mahmood *et al.*'s authentication scheme [21] cannot achieve user anonymity. Odelu *et al.*'s authentication scheme [20] is vulnerable to impersonation attacks and man-in-the-middle attacks. Although Wazid *et al.*'s authentication scheme [19] and Kumar *et al.*'s scheme [22] are successful against common attacks, they involve time-consuming operations. Moreover, the related schemes [1], [19]–[22] do not provide automatic formal verification of security. According to Table III, our proposed scheme achieves resistance to known attacks and satisfies more security requirements in comparison with the other five related schemes [1], [19]–[22].

### B. Computational Cost

In this section, the computational costs of our scheme and the other five related schemes [1], [19]–[22] are compared. In our experiments, we adopt OpenSSL library [40], GMP library [41], and PBC Library [42] to simulate these schemes on two Ubuntu 16.04 virtual machines with an Intel Pentium CPU G850 2.90-GHz processor, 4 GB of RAM. In

TABLE IV  
EXECUTION TIME OF CRYPTOGRAPHIC ELEMENTS

Operations	Execution time on Intel Pentium G850
SHA1 (20 Bytes)	20385 ns
AES-256 encryption (16 Bytes)	6425 ns
AES-256 decryption (16 Bytes)	8513 ns
Bilinear Pairing (128 Bytes)	2361447 ns
EC point multiplication (160 bits)	803817 ns
EC point addition (160 bits)	16829 ns
Chebyshev Polynomial (160 bits)	237291 ns
Chebyshev Polynomial (256 bits)	379685 ns

TABLE V  
COMPUTATIONAL COSTS COMPARISON

	$EV/MD_i/U_i/SM$	$AGT_j/SM_j/U_j/NAN$	Total
[3]	$7T_h + 4T_c$ $\approx 1.403\text{ms}$	$7T_h + 4T_c + 2T_s$ $\approx 1.526\text{ms}$	$14T_h + 8T_c + 2T_s$ $\approx 2.929\text{ms}$
[21]	$4T_m + 2T_a + 5T_h$ $\approx 3.764\text{ms}$	$2T_m + 8T_h$ $\approx 2.163\text{ms}$	$6T_m + 2T_a + 13T_h$ $\approx 5.927\text{ms}$
[22]	$2T_m + 7T_h + 2T_e + 2T_b$ $\approx 9.774\text{ms}$	$2T_m + 7T_h + 3T_e$ $\approx 6.515\text{ms}$	$4T_m + 14T_h + 5T_e + 2T_b$ $\approx 16.289\text{ms}$
[23]	$4T_m + 3T_a + 4T_h$ $\approx 3.749\text{ms}$	$3T_m + 3T_a + 4T_h$ $\approx 2.932\text{ms}$	$7T_m + 6T_a + 8T_h$ $\approx 6.681\text{ms}$
[24]	$3T_m + 2T_s + 6T_h$ $\approx 2.926\text{ms}$	$3T_m + 2T_s + 7T_h$ $\approx 2.984\text{ms}$	$6T_m + 4T_s + 13T_h$ $\approx 5.91\text{ms}$
Ours	$5T_c + 7T_h$ $\approx 1.717\text{ms}$	$2T_c + 5T_h$ $\approx 0.752\text{ms}$	$7T_c + 12T_h$ $\approx 2.469\text{ms}$

our experiment, we select an elliptic curve over a finite field as  $E_p(a, b): y^2 = x^3 + ax + b \pmod{p}$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $4a^3 + 27b^2 \neq 0$  and  $p$  is a large prime. Specifically, the elliptic curve secp160r1 (SECG curve over a 160 bits prime field) from OpenSSL library was adopted in our simulation. We chose SHA1 as one-way hash function and 256-bit AES as symmetric key encryption/decryption operations in our experiments. In addition, the bit length of the modular operation is 1024 bits and the Chebyshev polynomial operation is 256 bits.

We first simulated different cryptographic elements with OpenSSL Library, PBC library, and GMP Library, including SHA1(20 Bytes), AES-256 encryption/decryption (16 Bytes), bilinear pairing (128 Bytes), EC point multiplication/addition (160 bits), and Chebyshev polynomial (160 and 256 bits). Each algorithm was performed 100 times and the average results are shown in Table IV. From Table IV, we summarize that Chebyshev polynomial operations are more efficient than the other operations presented in Table IV.

Then we carried out some simulations of our scheme and other five related schemes [1], [19]–[22]. The simulation results are illustrated in Table V. The symbol  $T_b$ ,  $T_e$ ,  $T_h$ ,  $T_m$ ,  $T_a$ ,  $T_c$ , and  $T_s$  denote the time for executing a bilinear pairing operation, a modular exponentiation operation, a one-way hash function operation, a point multiplication operation of an elliptic curve, a point addition operation of an elliptic curve, a Chebyshev polynomial operation, and a symmetric key encryption/decryption operation, respectively.

From Table V, the Odelu *et al.*'s authentication scheme [20] requires performing four-point multiplication operations of

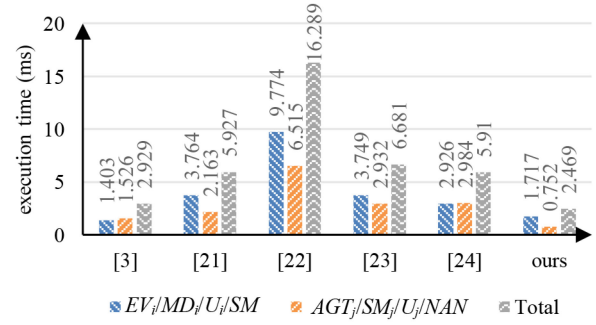


Fig. 7. Comparison of execution time in the login and authentication phase.

elliptic curve, fourteen hash operations, five modular exponentiation operations and two bilinear pairing operations to complete the authentication. Then, the execution time is given by  $4T_m + 14T_h + 5T_e + 2T_b$  and the actual simulation time was 16.289 ms. From Table V, the computational costs of Odelu *et al.*'s authentication scheme are much higher than other related schemes [1], [19], [21], [22] and our scheme. That because Odelu *et al.*'s scheme [20] involves heavy-weight operations—bilinear pairing operations. In addition, from Table V, the total execution time of Wazid *et al.*'s authentication scheme [19], Mahmood *et al.*'s authentication scheme [21], and Kumar *et al.*'s authentication scheme [22] is 5.927, 6.681, and 5.91 ms respectively. Compared with Odelu *et al.*'s authentication scheme [20], these schemes [19], [21], [22] reduce the computational costs effectively by avoiding the use of bilinear pairing operations.

Furthermore, the proposed scheme requires to perform five Chebyshev polynomial operations and seven hash operations on the EV side, and needs to execute two Chebyshev polynomial operations and five hash operations on the AGT side. So, the total execution time is  $7T_c + 12T_h$  and the actual simulation time 2.469 ms. As shown in Table V, the computational costs of our authentication scheme and Abbasinezhad-Mood *et al.*'s authentication scheme [1] are 2.469 and 2.929 ms, which are much lower than other related schemes [19]–[22]. According to Table V, our authentication scheme and Abbasinezhad-Mood *et al.*'s authentication scheme [1] outperform the related schemes [19]–[22] in terms of the computational overhead. That is because efficient Chebyshev polynomial operations are employed in our authentication scheme and Abbasinezhad-Mood *et al.*'s authentication scheme [1].

As shown in Fig. 7, our authentication scheme achieves the best performance, taking only 2.469 ms in total. And on the AGT side, our scheme also achieves the lowest computational costs, which only takes 0.752 ms. Compared with other related schemes [1], [19]–[22], our authentication scheme reduces the computational costs up to 15.7%, 58.3%, 84.8%, 63.0%, and 58.2%, respectively. Therefore, our proposed authentication and key negotiation scheme is an energy-efficient authentication scheme and is suitable for SG environments.

### C. Communication Cost

The comparison of communication costs between our scheme and other five related works [1], [19]–[22] is shown in Table VI. In our experiment, the user's ID is 64 bits, the output



TABLE VI  
COMMUNICATION COSTS COMPARISON

Schemes	[3]	[21]	[22]	[23]	[24]	Ours
Cost(bits)	1376	1536	1920	2112	2240	1312

TABLE VII  
STORAGE COSTS COMPARISON

	EV/MD <sub>i</sub> /SM	AGT/SM <sub>i</sub> /NAN
[3]	1280n	1152m
[21]	1600n	640m
[22]	3328n	3328m
[24]	1664n	1376m
Ours	1312n	736m

of hash function is 20 bytes (160 bits), the output of modular exponentiation operation is 32 bytes (256 bits), the output of Chebyshev polynomial is 32 bytes (256 bits), the output of an ECC operation is 40 bytes (320 bits), and the output of a timestamp is 4 bytes (32 bits). In addition, for bilinear pairing, the elements in group  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are 128 bytes (1024 bits) and 128 bytes (1024 bits).

As shown in Table VI, our authentication scheme achieves the smallest communication load which is 1312 bits. And the communication costs for other related schemes [1], [19]–[22] are 1376, 1536, 1920, 2112, and 2240 bits, respectively. Obviously, the proposed scheme reduces communication costs in comparison with the related schemes [1], [19]–[22].

#### D. Storage Cost

In this section, we discuss the storage cost by comparing our proposed scheme with other four related schemes [1], [19], [20], [22]. Since the communication entities are both users in Mahmood *et al.*'s scheme [21] which is different from the other four schemes [1], [19], [20], [22] and our scheme, the storage cost comparison does not include Mahmood *et al.*'s scheme [21]. In our design, the EV needs to store the secure information  $\{RID_{TA}, I, k_i, Z, M_i, RID_j, Q_j\}$  in its smartcard, where  $RID_{TA}$ ,  $k_i$ ,  $Z$ ,  $M_i$ , and  $RID_j$  are 160 bits, respectively and  $I$ ,  $Q_j$  are 256 bits, respectively. Therefore, the storage cost required at the EV side is  $1312 \times n$  bits in our scheme. Here  $n$  denotes the number of AGT that the EV can communicate with. Furthermore, in our scheme, the AGT needs to store information  $\{RID_{TA}, RID_j, Q_j, k_j\}$ , where  $RID_{TA}$ ,  $RID_j$ , and  $k_j$  are 160 bits, respectively, and  $Q_j$  is 256 bits. So, the storage cost required at the AGT side for  $m$  EV is  $736 \times m$  bits in our design. The storage costs of the other four related schemes are shown in Table VII. As illustrated in Table VII, our proposed scheme achieves the lowest storage cost at the AGT side in comparison with other four related schemes [1], [19], [20], [22]. In addition, compared with scheme [19], [20], [22], our scheme also reduced the storage cost at the EV side.

#### VIII. CONCLUSION

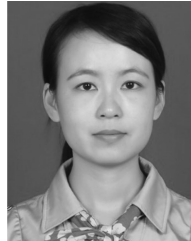
In this article, we presented a novel Chebyshev polynomial algorithm by adopting a square matrix-based binary

exponentiation algorithm. The proposed algorithm solved the security challenge of Chebyshev polynomial algorithm in practical application and realized efficient and secure Chebyshev polynomial computation. Then, we further designed a fast authentication scheme by employing the proposed algorithm for SG environments. Since only lightweight Chebyshev polynomials and hash functions are used during the authentication and key negotiation processes, our design reduces the computational and communication costs in comparison with the state-of-the-art authentication schemes. We also adopted ProVerif tool to prove the security of our proposed authentication scheme. The security analysis demonstrated that our proposed authentication scheme can defend against various attacks. Therefore, our proposed authentication scheme is suitable for SG environments due to tackling both security and performance.

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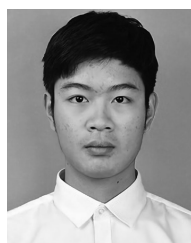
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