

Anonymous Key Agreements for V2X Communication

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V2X Related Terminology

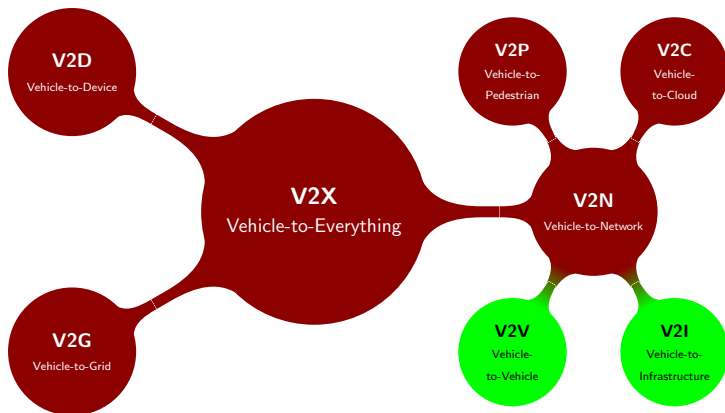


Figure 1: A breakdown of V2X.

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- ③ Hardness assumption: *Bilinear Diffie-Hellman Assumption*.
 - Given g^a, g^b, g^c , it is hard to compute $e(g, g)^{abc}$.

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- ④ For V2X,
 - Anonymous credentials issued to vehicles regularly.
 - We use DGSA (Dynamic Group Signatures with Attributes)⁴, which gives us a **randomizable** group element as the credential $\sigma \rightarrow \sigma^r, r \in \mathbb{Z}_q$.

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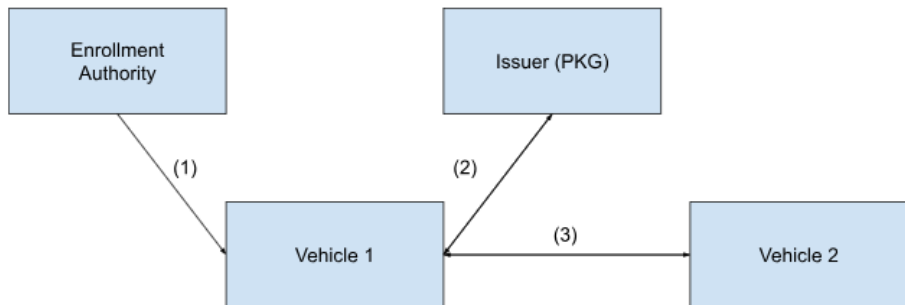


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 - Used in verifying legitimacy of the other party.

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- Lots of pairing computations, for DGSA and for anonymous key agreement. Incurs computational overheads.
- Works for single-hop connections only.
- May not be scalable to communicating with many vehicles simultaneously in terms of storage overhead.

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