

# Building Blocks for VANET Security

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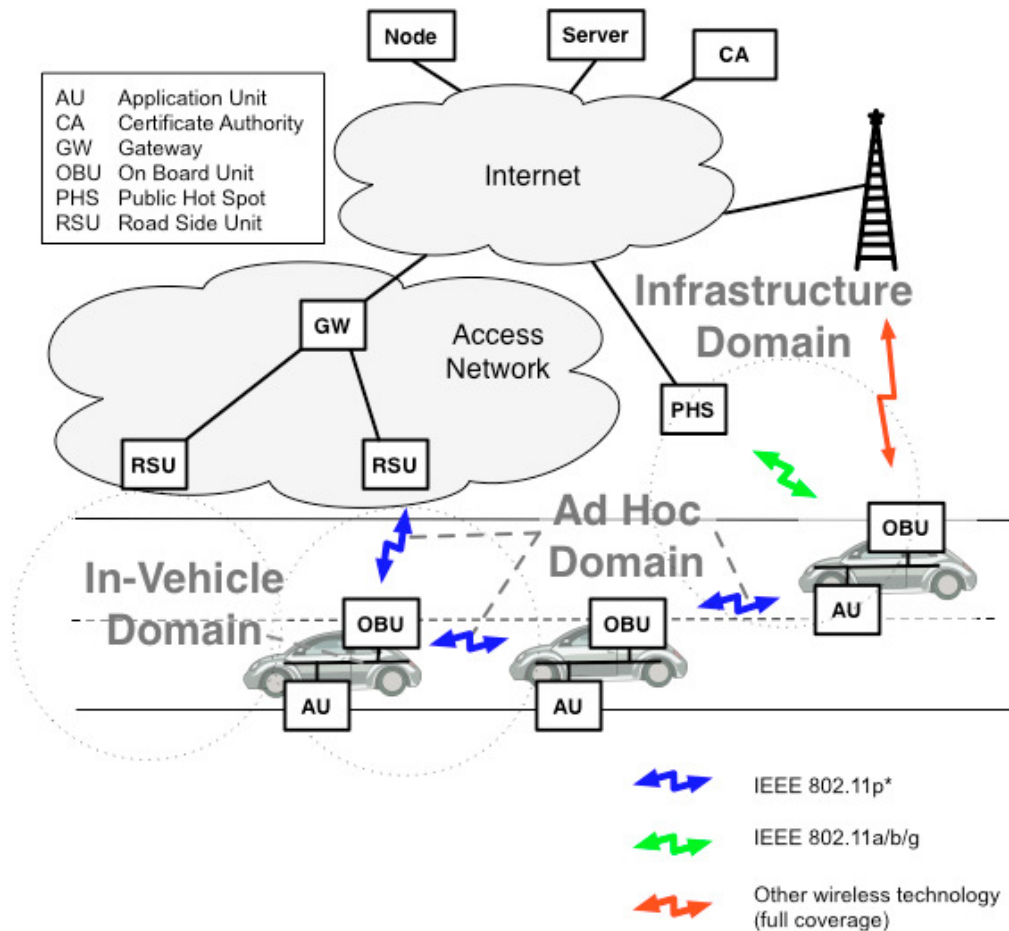


- 1) Cross-layer privacy enhancement and non-repudiation in vehicular communication
- 2) Roadside WSNs for Traffic Forensic

## Part I

# Cross-layer privacy enhancement and non-repudiation in vehicular communication

# Intervehicular communication



## Scenario:

Vehicles form with road side units a communication network

## Goals:

- Improve traffic quality and safety
- Safety messages may warn about accidents, bad road quality, etc.

## Security risks:

- Bogus information might cause damage
- Privacy might be compromised if identity is not protected during communication

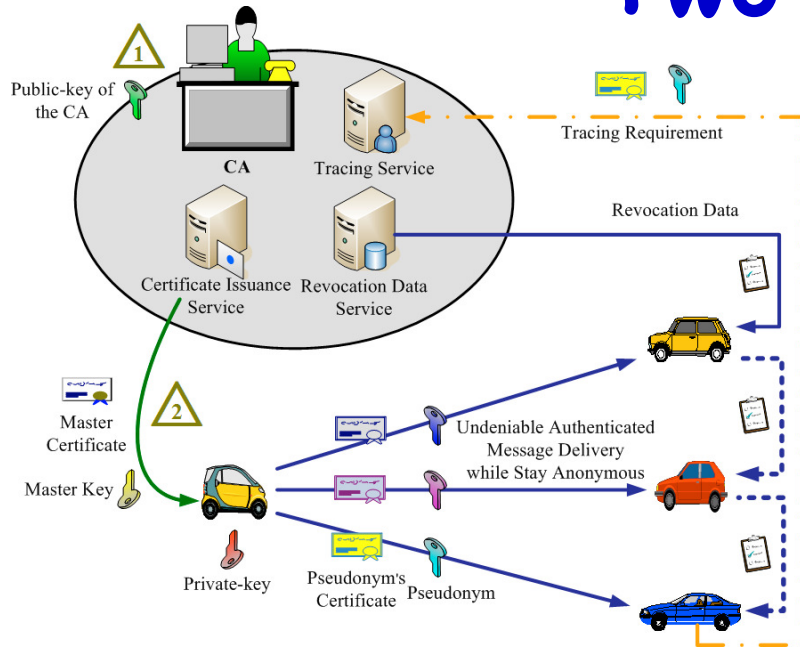
## Solution:

- Sign messages with pseudonyms

# Non-repudiation vs. Anonymity

- Trade-off between non-repudiation and anonymity
  - Anonymity can be achieved by the use of pseudonyms
  - Non-repudiation “requires” a digital message signature, and thus makes the pseudonyms useless (an attacker is able to track a certain vehicle by analyzing the digital signature of the messages)
- Cross-layer issue
  - Both non-repudiation and anonymity are only useful if ensured on *every* protocol layer

# Two methods...

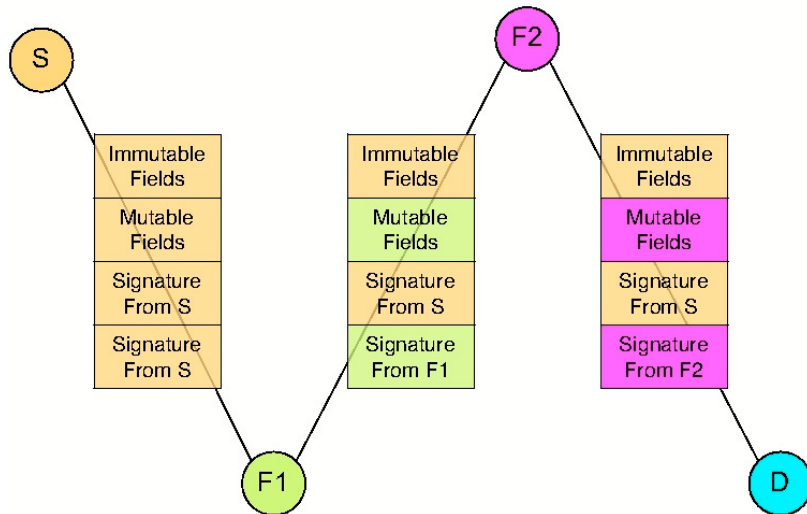


## PKI+:

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Public key infrastructure with additional advantages

- Provides keys and certificates for signing
- User can create own pseudonyms
- Revocation data is comparatively small

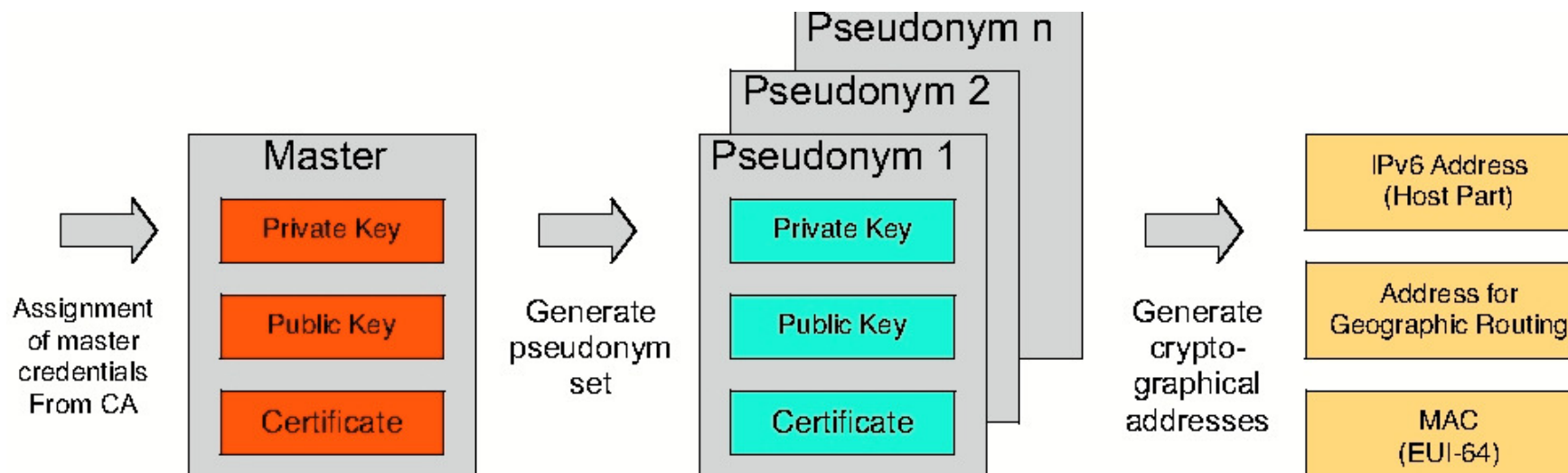


## Secure geographical routing:

[Har 07]

- Messages are signed (immutable fields by sender S, mutable fields by current forwarder)
- Advantages:
  - Forwarded only by certified nodes
  - Authentication, integrity, non-repudiation

## ... one solution



### Combined security architecture: PKI+ and secure geographical routing:

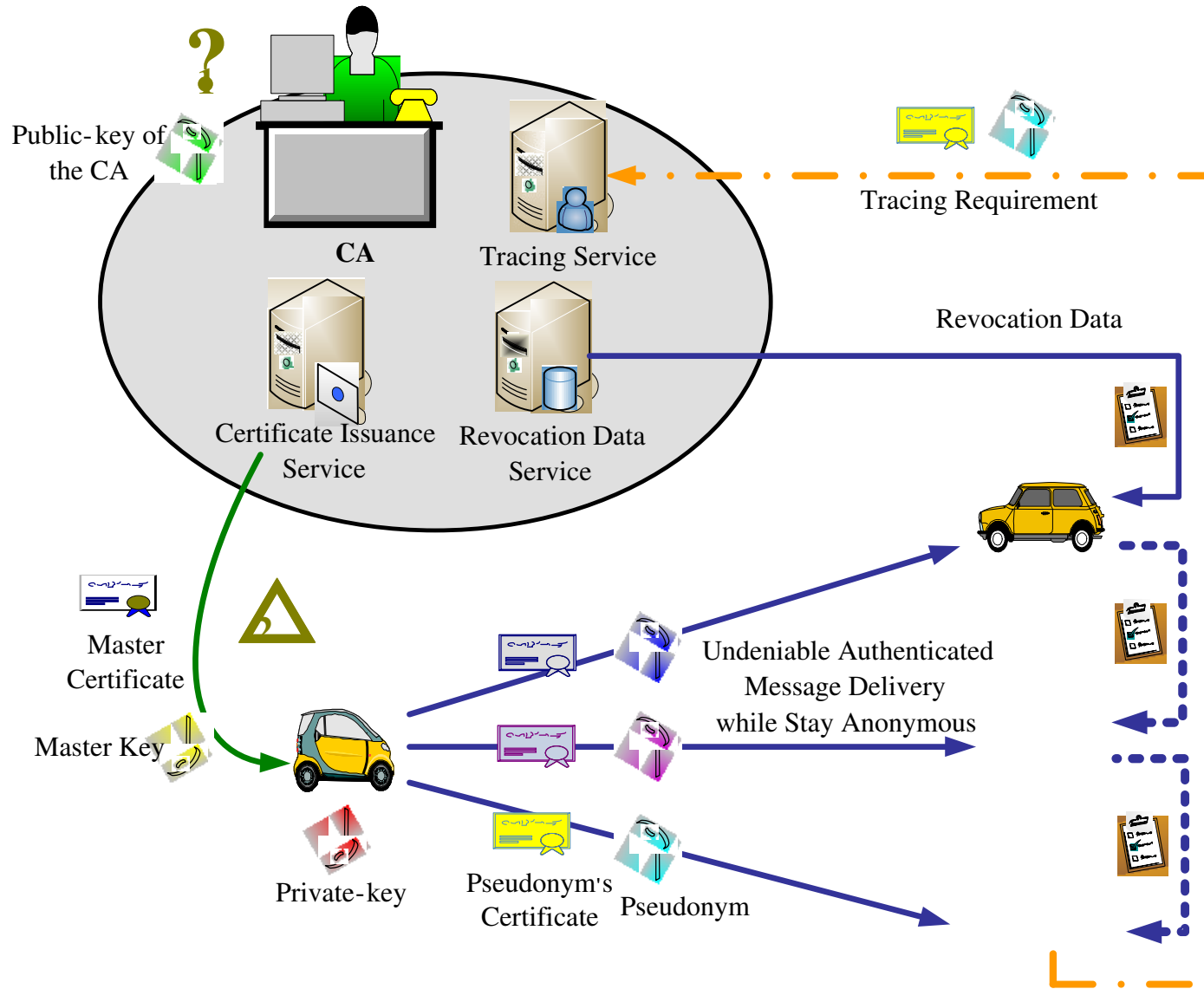
- Master information from the certified authority enables user to create pseudonyms
- Pseudonyms are simultaneously used on different layers to provide non-repudiation and support privacy on all layers at the same time

# PKI+ (1)

- Retains concept of PKI plus some additional features
- User can autonomously generate practically infinite number of pseudonyms with appropriate certificates
- Makes use of non-super-singular elliptic curve that supports bilinear mapping
- 5 stages:
  - CA setup (offline)
  - User enroll (offline)
  - Authentication
  - Tracing
  - Revocation



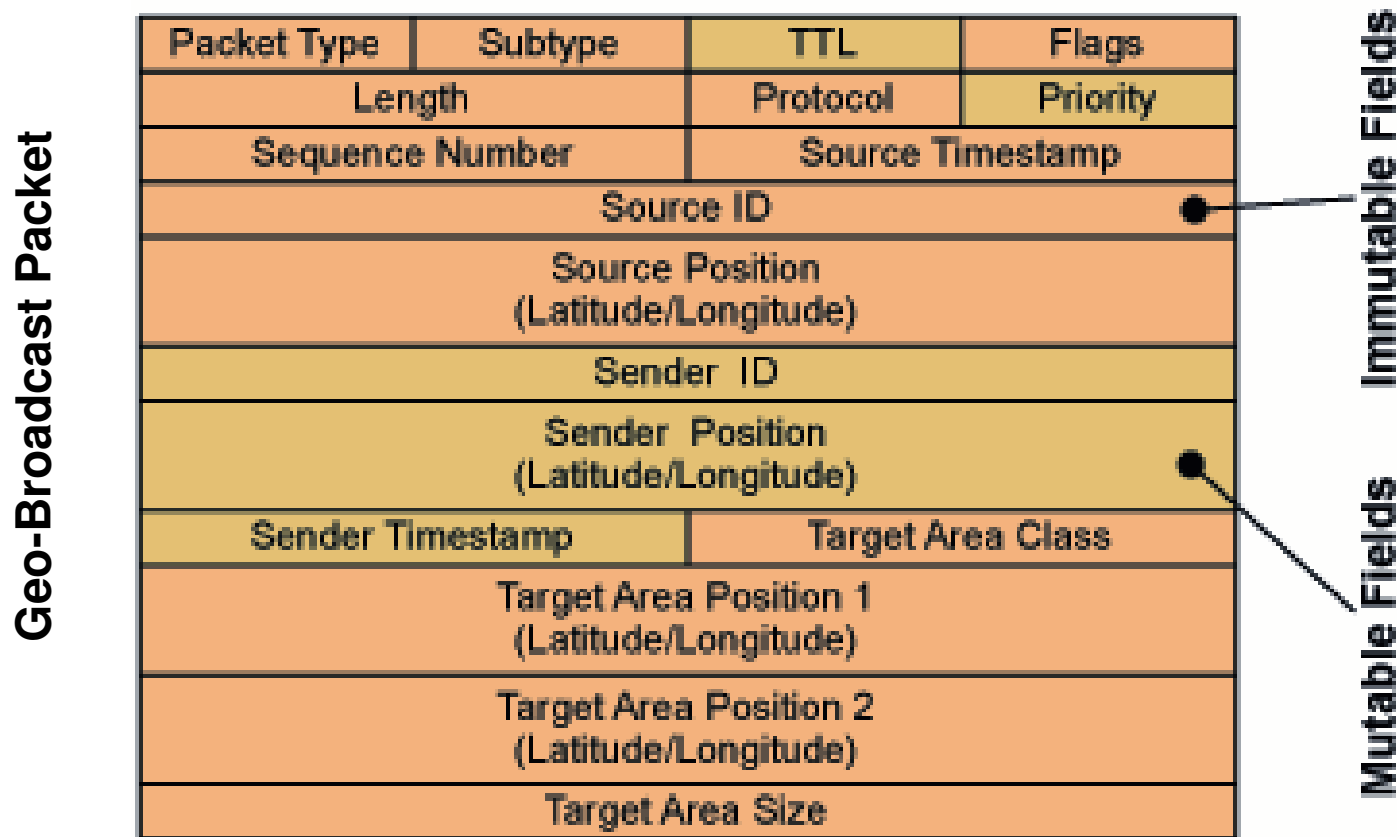
# PKI+ (2)



# PKI+ (3): Main Benefits

- **Protect Individual Privacy**
  - Each user is equipped with mass pseudonyms (public-keys) and certificates
  - Efficient in terms of the size of certificate (680b) and the time to verify the certificate
- **Protect System Safety**
  - Authority can trace and revoke misbehaved user
  - As efficient as conventional public-key technology for signing messages online
  - Size of revocation data per revoked user is minimized (1.367b)
- **Reduce Certification Authority Workload**
  - Public-keys and certificates are NOT generated by the authority
  - Authority is largely offloaded from revocation

# Secure Routing



Immutable fields: not changed by forwarders

Mutable fields: updated during forwarding

# Secure routing: Source

- Generate one signature over the immutable fields
- Generate another signature over the mutable fields

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S

Immutable Fields
Mutable Fields
Signature over Immutable Fields
Certificate of S
Signature over Mutable Fields
Certificate of S

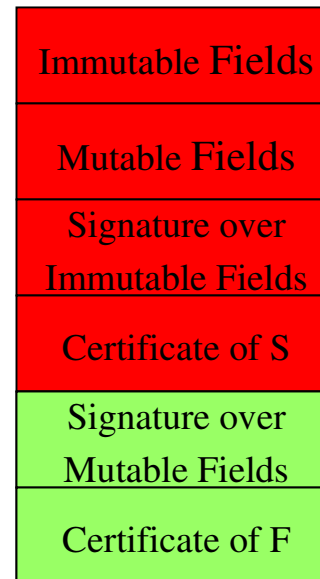
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# Secure routing: Source

- Verify timestamps and plausibility of position information
- Verify both signatures
- Update location table
- Verify if S does not exceed maximal allowed sending rate
- Replace mutable fields signature

S

D



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# Secure routing: Source

- Verify timestamps and plausibility of position information
- Verify both signatures
- Update location table
- Remove signatures and send to application



Immutable Fields
Mutable Fields
Signature over Immutable Fields
Certificate of S
Signature over Mutable Fields
Certificate of F

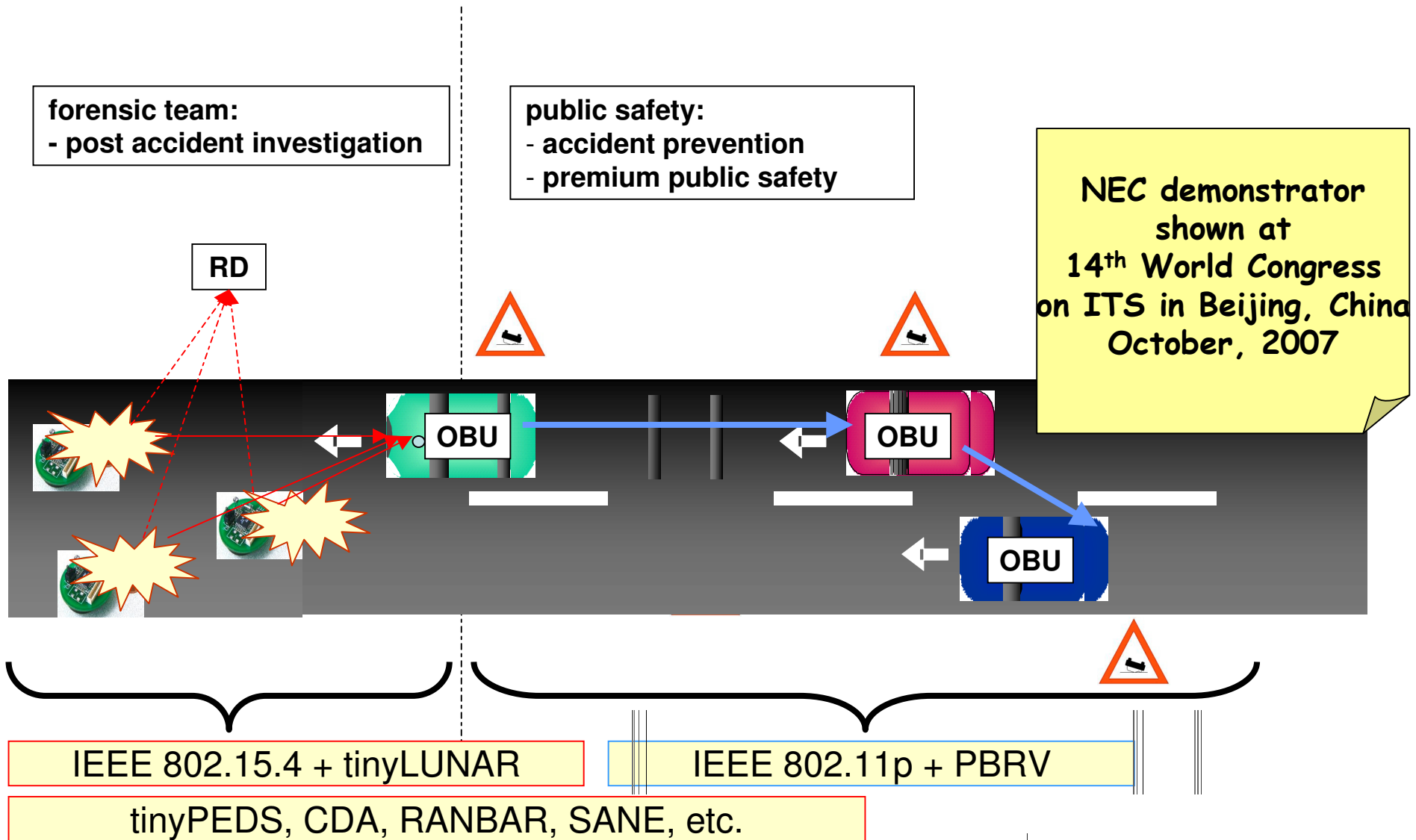
# Conclusions

- Goals of intervehicular communication: improve traffic security and efficiency
- Anonymity and non-repudiation are mandatory for the user's acceptance of intervehicular communication
- Only effective if ensured over all protocol layers
- Our proposal: use PKI+ and digital signatures on every layer
- Secure routing through digital signatures, plausibility checks, and robustness mechanisms

# Part II Roadside WSNs...



# WSN Roadside to Vehicular...



# WSN adapted Threat Model...

1) Dolev-Yao:  
(known)



2) Extended  
Dolev-Yao:  
(WSN relevant)



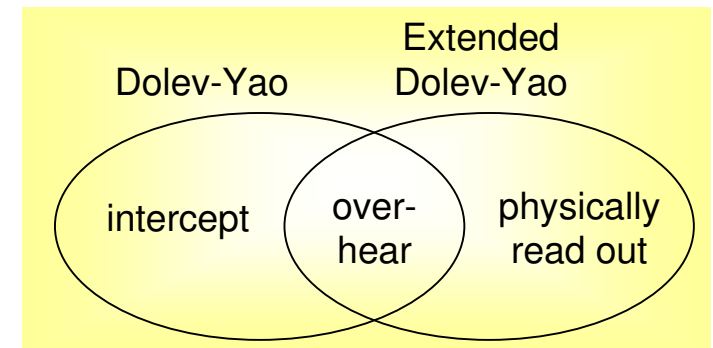
3) Paradox  
State of the art:



Threat-Model  
with up to  
5 years delay [Gligor05]

## Options...

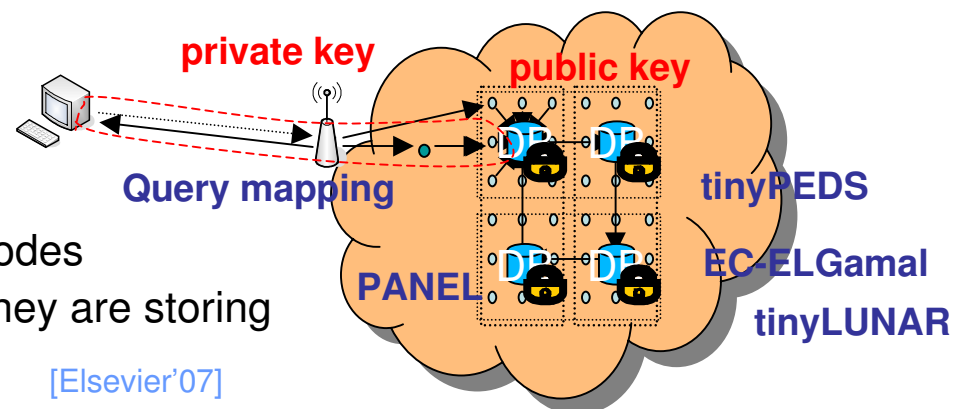
- Tamper-resistant unit ( ? too expensive)
- “Probabilistic” security ( ? attacker receives only limited gain)



# TinyPEDS

## Objectives

- long term data storage of the region's "environmental fingerprint"
- minimized transmission costs
- storage space balanced over multiple sensor nodes
- sensor nodes know the region NOT the value they are storing



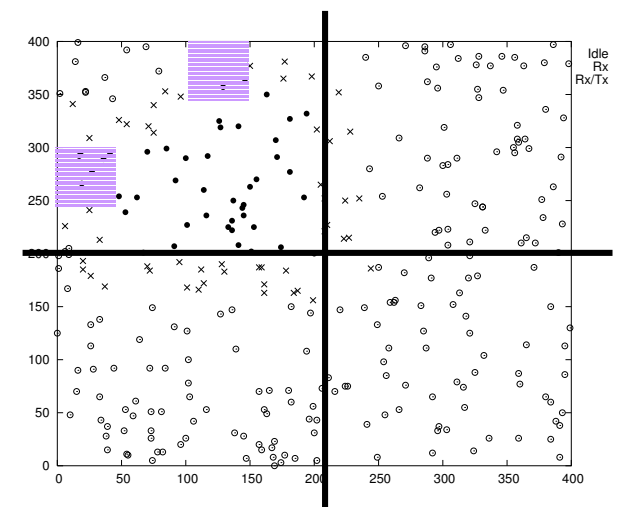
## Approach

- first approach for *encrypted distributed data storage for WSNs*
- hybrid approach uses *symmetric* and *asymmetric* PHs

symmetric PH:  $a_1 + a_2 = D_k[E_k(a_1) + E_k(a_2)]$  [Mobiquitous'05]

asymmetric PH:  $a_1 + a_2 = D_q[E_p(a_1) + E_p(a_2)]$  [ICC'06]

- efficient linkage from "database query" to "controlled flooding message"
- restoring rules of remaining quarters in case of a disaster
- Optional: Overlapping WSNs:  $WSN_{PH}$  and  $WSN_{OPES}$  [WiOpt'05]



# Asymmetric PH: EC-ElGamal

- **Private key:**  $x \in GF(p)$   
**Public key:**  $E, p, G, Y$  ( $E$  of order  $n$ )  
 whereby  $Y=xG$  and  $E$  over  $GF(p)$  with  $G, Y \in E$

- **Encryption:** plaintext  $m \in [0, p-1]$ , random  $r \in [1, n-1]$ ,

$$M = \text{map}(m)$$

$$C = \text{enc}(m) = (R, S) = (rG, M+rY)$$

- **Decryption:**

$$M = \text{dec}(C) = \text{dec}(R, S) = -xR + S$$

$$m = \text{rmap}(M) \quad \leftarrow \text{ECDLP!!}$$

(brute force at sink node)

- **Mapping function:**

from multiplicative to additive homomorphic

$$\begin{aligned} \text{map}(a_1+a_2) &= (a_1+a_2)G = a_1G + a_2G \\ &= \text{map}(a_1) + \text{map}(a_2) \end{aligned}$$

[Asiacrypt'00]

## Design Architecture

application level	additively homomorphic ECEG	(nes)C
elliptic curve Arithmetik**	$k \cdot P, 2 \cdot P, P+C$	.....
finite field Arithmetik*	$(a+b, a \cdot b, \dots) \bmod P$	assembler

## Implementation Results on MicaZ

#Pr points	Ex. Time [sec]	Code size [bytes]	Memory size [bytes]
0	2.52	2790	320
0	2.14	3162	561
2	1.4	3996	621
4	1.17	6158	683

Ciphertext size:  $2(p+1)$ , e.g. 328bit

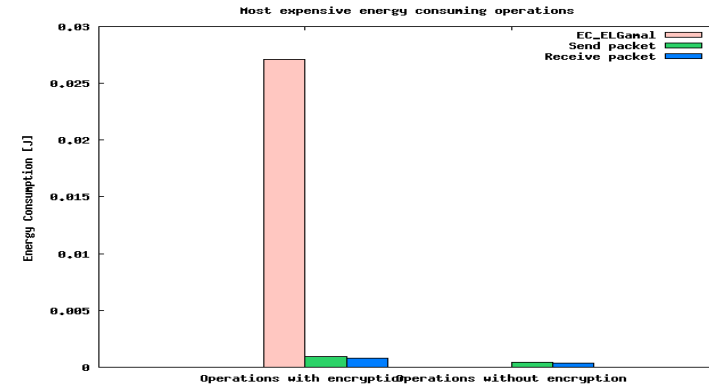
[OU'07]  
[MobiCom'07]

\*\*multiplication: interleave method, signMOF  
\*pseudo-Mresenne prime reduction

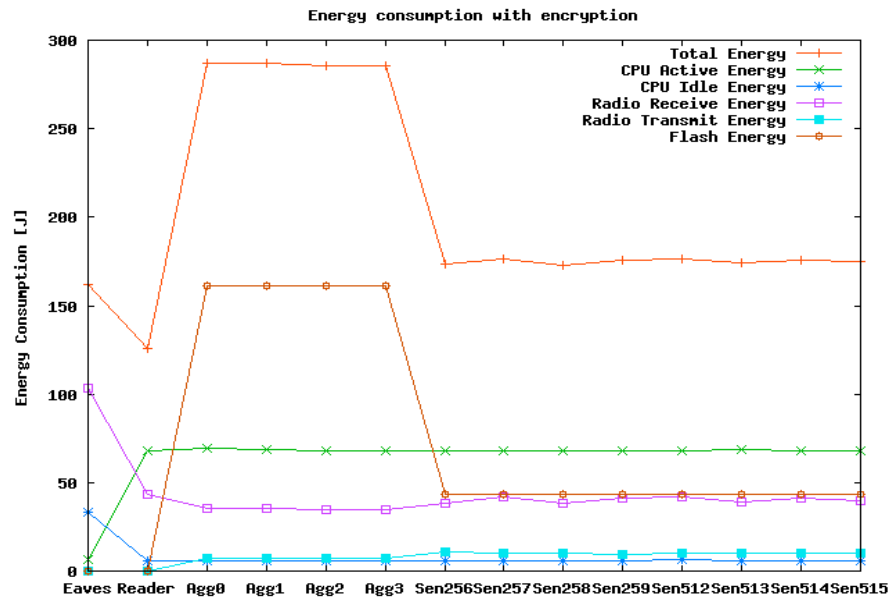
# AVRORA: Energy Consumption

- ◆ Initial energy emulation with AVRORA
- ◆ more work required

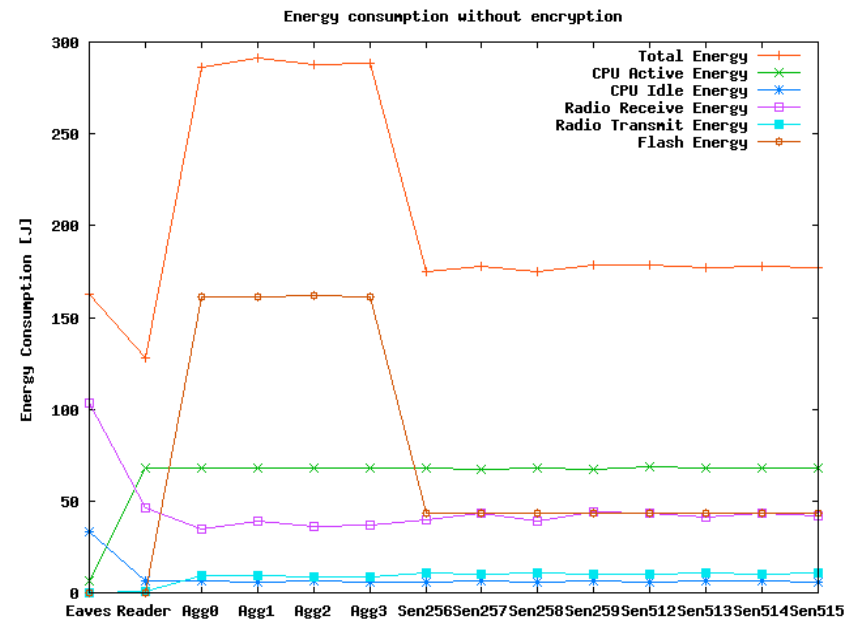
(1h emulation, epoch:= 1min, slot:=20 sec)



tinyPEDS with encryption:



tinyPEDS without encryption:



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