

Secure Multi-hop Ad Hoc Connectivity to Fixed Networks



Technical Solution

1. Gateway Announcement

- Periodically
- Gateway ID cryptographically verifiable
- Propagated through multiple nodes

2. Ad Hoc ID exchange

- Between adjacent ad hoc nodes
- Exchange of temporary identifiers

3. Gateway Registration

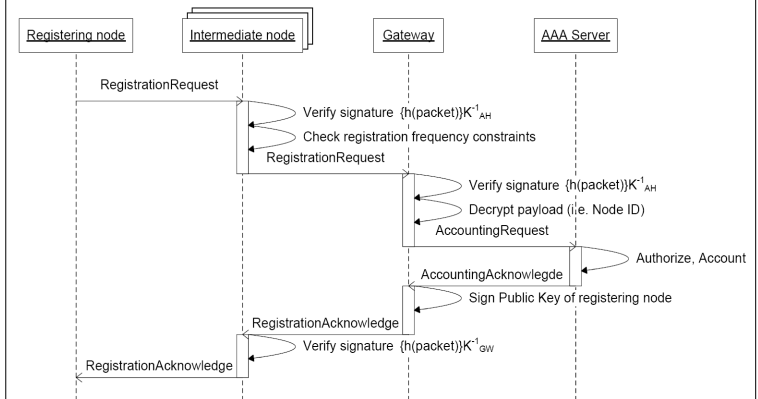
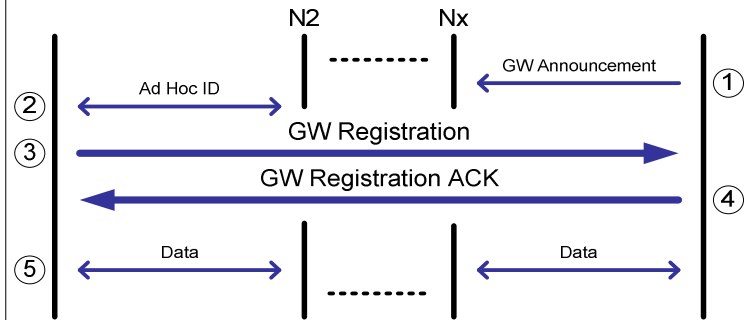
- Encrypted registration message to gateway

4. Gateway Registration Acknowledgment

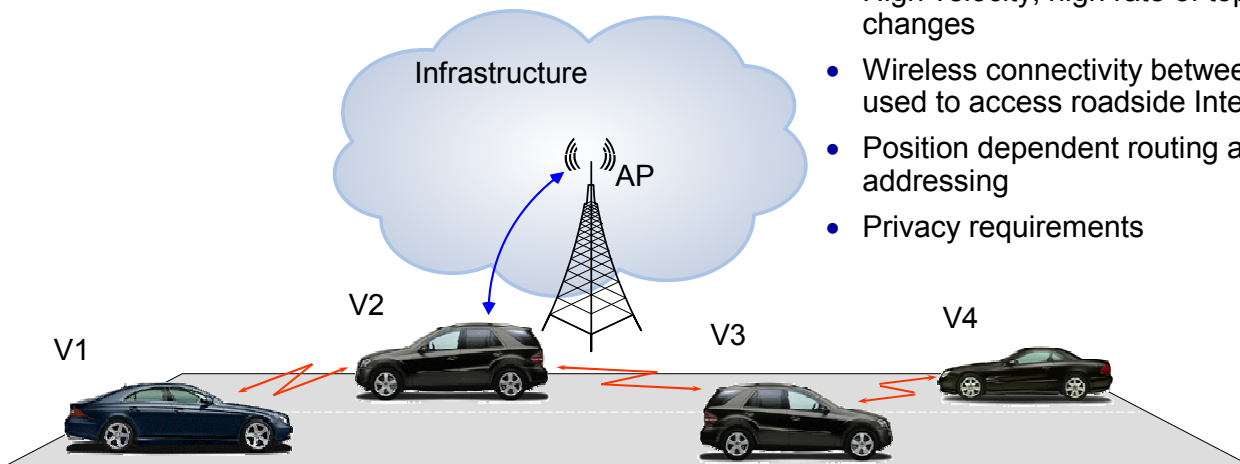
- Certificate bound to the temporary node ID
- Limited lifetime
- Verifiable by intermediate nodes

5. Data Communication

- Encrypted traffic signed with certificate
- Only legitimate traffic is forwarded



Scenario



- Wireless ad hoc communication
- High velocity, high rate of topology changes
- Wireless connectivity between vehicles is used to access roadside Internet gateways
- Position dependent routing and addressing
- Privacy requirements

Outlook

- Improve security of the underlying position dependent routing
- Develop mechanisms to encourage node co-operation
- Develop mechanisms for handover of established security associations
- Adapt proposed solution to support security of multi-hop unicast communication in the ad-hoc network

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