

Transmission of IPv6 Packets over IEEE 802.11-OCB Networks

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Introduction to 802.11-OCB (a.k.a. DSRC)

Classic 802.11 WLAN

Synchronizing
Scanning
Authentication
Association
Communication

Concept of Basic Service Sets
(BSS)

IEEE 802.11p – aka IEEE 802.11-2012 OCB

OPTIONAL HIGHER LAYER Synchronization
NO Scanning
HIGHER LAYER Authentication
IMPLICIT Association
DIRECT Communication

“Communication outside of the context of the BSS”

- Scenario:

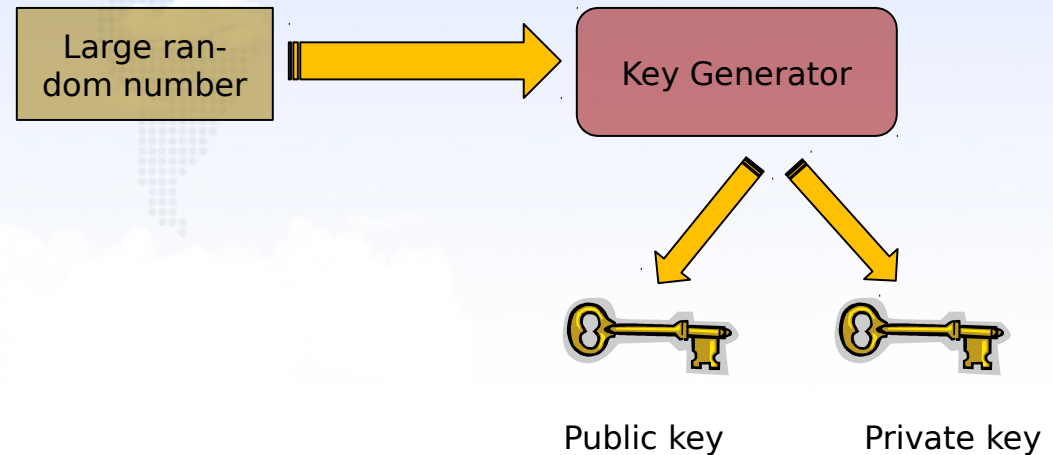
- IPv6 is for non-safety related traffic ONLY (according to the ITS charter)
- Single hop IPv6 communication – Multi-hop is in MANET (according to ITS charter)
- Vehicles contain one or multiple IPv6 ‘things’
- Vehicles are not specifically connected to Internet (or only episodically)
- IPv6 stack may co-exist with non-IP stack...or not
 - some ‘things’ may only have an IPv6 stack
- For Cars: Any car with its engine turned ‘on’ and participating to traffic **MUST** transmit non-IP traffic on ch. 178 (US)/ch. 180 (EU).
 - IPv6 traffic may co-exist but shall not break any non-IP mechanism or generate any interference with non-IP traffic

Challenges (some of them...)

- IPv6 over WiFi OCB:
 - Scanning
 - How can we dynamically 'find' a channel
 - CCH (ch. 178 US, ch. 180 EU) forbidden for IPV6
 - Need service announcement on a 'well-known' channel !
 - Security
 - If an RSU is connected to Internet, what is forbidding me to hacking into the Internet?
 - For OBUs or other RSUs: how can we be sure that the one claiming to transmit is truly the transmitter?
 - WiFi OCB link:
 - Link asymmetry (Tx power, antenna heights): how can IPv6 and IPv6-related mechanisms adapt to asymmetric IPv6 links (non-reflective & non transitive) ?
 - E.g.: IPv6 ND (e.g. 6lowPAN ND: RFC 6775)
 - IP addressing & Privacy:
 - How can I generate my IPv6 address ? DaD not fully working...(RFC4429 an option..)
 - How can I generate my IPv6 'temporary/optimistic' address?
 - How can IPv6 mechanisms softly handle spontaneous change of IPv6 addresses (including routers)? IETF WG DMM/MIP ?
 - Privacy:
 - IPv6 prefix shall not reflect my true subnetwork, not allow anybody to trace me back to my home network
 - » IPv6 Link Local address required, when not connected to DHCPv6
 - NIC/MAC shall not reflect my true ID: need NIC/MAC pseudonyms

Security in 802.11-OCB Systems - Asymmetric Cryptography

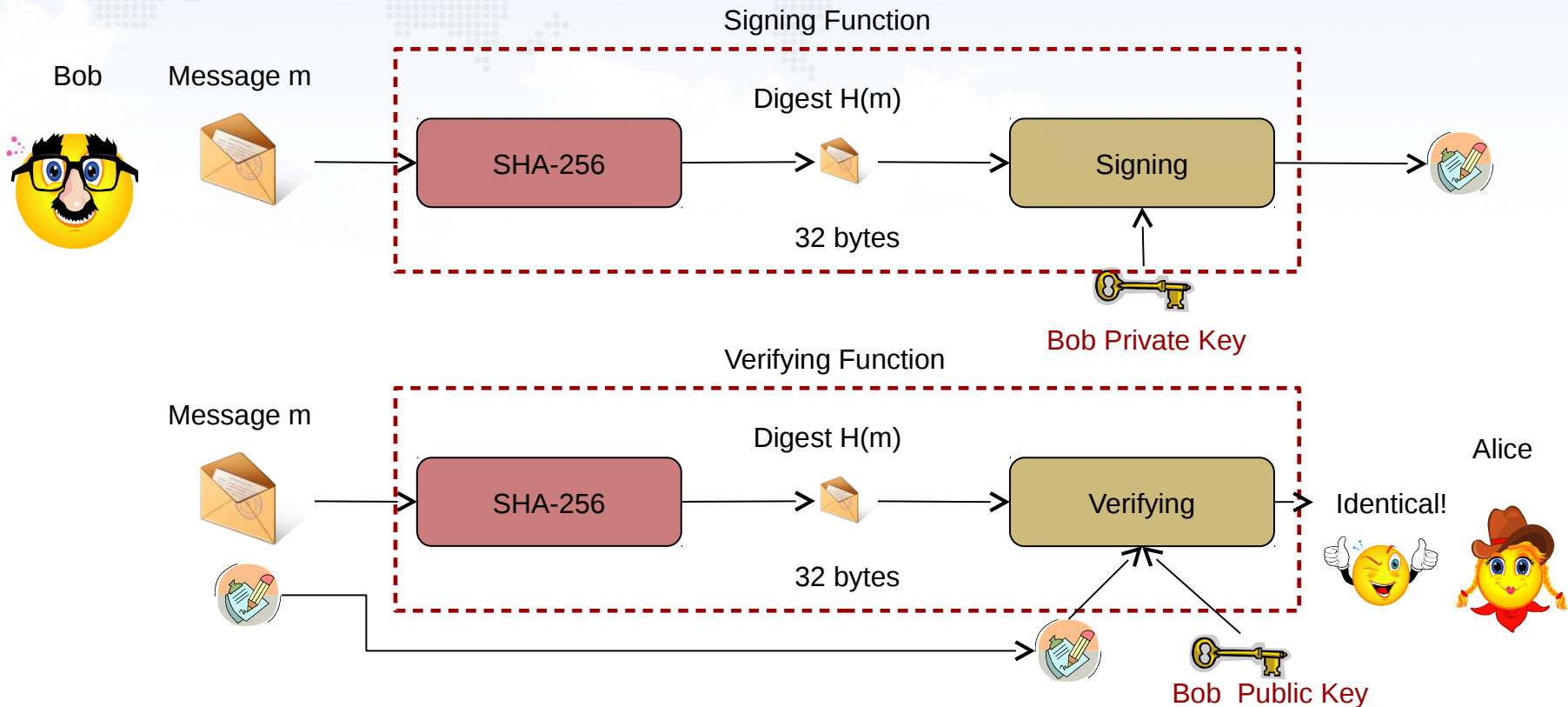
- In order to initiate the system, a set of public/private keys needs to be obtained.



- Who generates these keys?
 - A [Certifying Authority](#) / PKI third party
- Vehicles are „pre-loaded“ with a set of public/private key
 - Similar to registering a vehicle and getting a license plate
 - For anonymity, vehicles receive a „pool“ of public/private keys

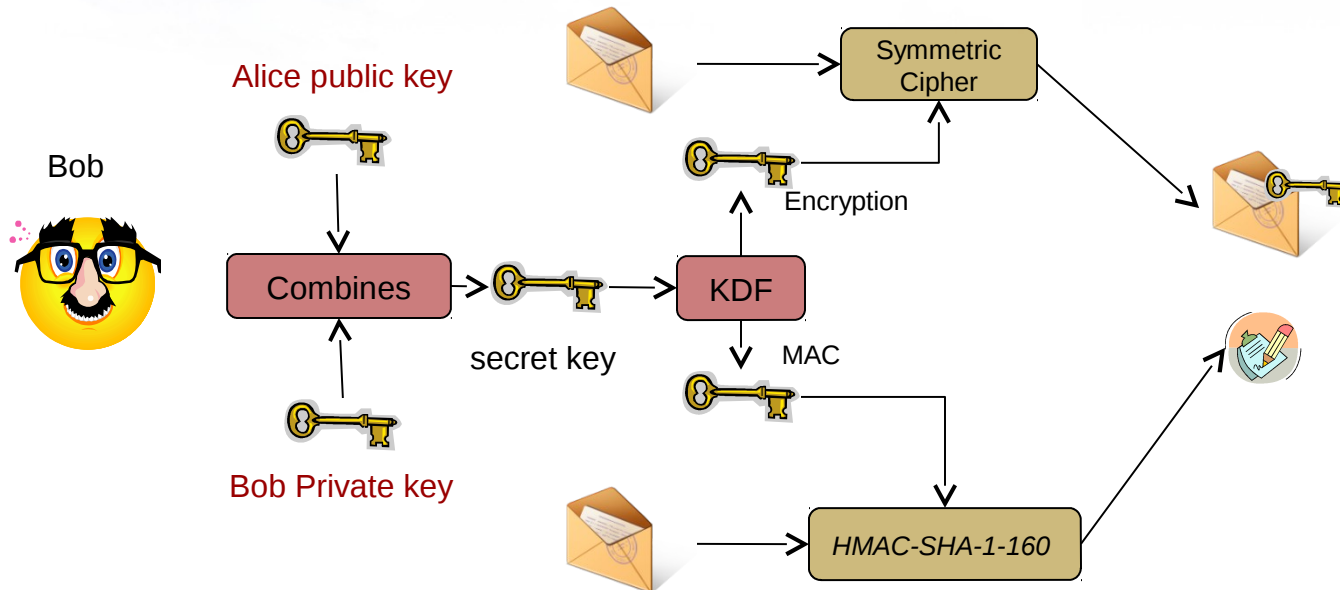
Authentication in 802.11-OCB systems- Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA)

- Signing a hash version of the message is more efficient than signing the message itself
 - The crypto-hash algorithm is SHA-256



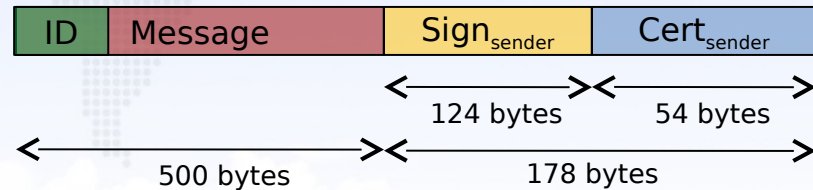
Encryption in 802.11-OCB systems - Elliptic Curve Integrated Encryption Scheme (ECIES)

- Encrypting each message using an asymmetric cipher is computationally too expensive
 - Use the property of **shared secret** from asymmetric cryptography
 - Bob combines his private key with Alice's public key
 - Alice combines her private key with Bob's public key
- Extract an Encryption and a MAC key from the shared secret

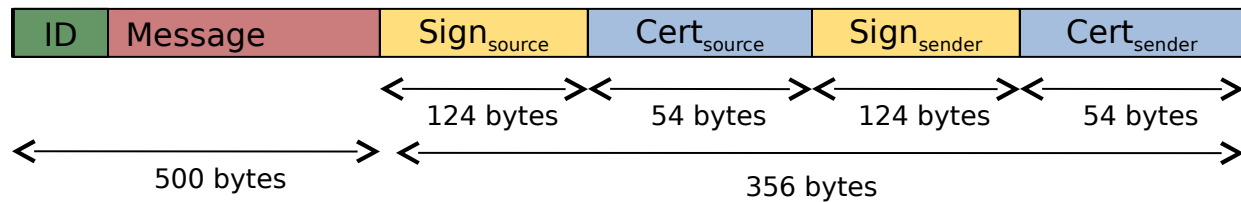


Exchanging Security Credentials

- Example: Authentication and Integrity
 - Single Hop Communication:



- Multi-hop Communication:



- For a 500 bytes message, the **security overhead** may reach up to 71%...
- But more important:
 - Who is assigning my ID?
 - Who is assigning my certificate?

Address Randomization



- Identifiers enable tracking
 - MAC Address,
 - IPv6 Prefix,
 - IPv6 Host Identifier
- Randomization needs to be coordinated
 - Certificate, MAC Address, IPv6 address all change on “renumbering event”
- Perform changes at the right time
 - When it is safe, e.g., car is stopped
 - Preferably “in a crowd”

Proposal

- Disclaimer:
 - If a vehicle is having access to the IEEE 1609.2 or ETSI ITS security mechanisms
 - USE THEM ^^
 - Here, we look at the case where vehicles or other IPv6-compliant 'things' would not have access to them..
- Pseudonyms:
 - Random generation of a 48-MAC address,
 - Coordinated with certificate change, IPv6 address generation
 - Alternative: RFC4941
- Security:
 - Use well used/known security mechanisms to generate public/private keys, certificate (+ web-of-trust)
 - CGA+RSA as in RFC 3971 (SEND) could be an option
 - IPsec..but need mechanisms for preshared secret
 - PGP..
 - Each associated to one of the random pseudonym
 - Challenge: PKI? Root certificate? (vendors, specific ITS-related IPv6 service?)