# Secure, Robust, and Energy-Efficient Authenticated Data Sharing in Drone to Vehicles Communications

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### The Potential of UAVs in B5G

- Beyond 5G networks offers unprecedented speed and minimal latency.
- Drones (UAVs) can extend network coverage and enhance communication in challenging environments.
- UAV-assisted Vehicular Ad-hoc Networks (VANETs) can improve traffic management, safety, and connectivity.

### **Security Challenges**

CYBERSECURITY

#### Trucking industry vulnerable to hackers via insecure logging devices, research finds

Colorado State University researchers found security flaws in logging devices could allow hackers to disable fleets of trucks.

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The global anti-drone market size is anticipated to reach USD 1.85 billion by 2024 registering a 24.1% CAGR during the forecast period. Rising incidences of security violation by unauthorized UAVs and increased acts of terror and nefarious activities worldwide has primarily driven market growth.

# Proposed Protocols for Secure Data Sharing

- **SeGDS**: Secure Group Data Sharing among drones.
- **SeDDS**: Secure Direct Data Sharing between drones and vehicles.



### **Threat Model**

01 — Adversaries can intercept messages, and impersonate entities.





03 — Service Provider (Cloud) and Road Side Unit (RSU) are trusted entities.

04 — UAVs are rational entities with limited resources, acting maliciously for perceived benefit.

### SeGDS: Secure Group Data Sharing Phases

System Initialization: The Authentication Server Function (AUSF) sets up the cryptographic parameters.

**Registration:** UAVs register with the AUSF, obtaining their keys.

Session Setup: The Road Side Unit (RSU) establishes a secure session with the content service provider.

**Task Assignment and Cooperative Download:** The RSU divides the data into segments and assigns them to UAVs for download.

Data Sharing: UAVs share their downloaded segments with each other.

Data Consolidation: The RSU consolidates the data and distributes the decryption key to the UAVs.

#### **SeGDS Performance Analysis**



Cui, Jie, et al. "Edge computing in VANETs-an efficient and privacy-preserving cooperative downloading scheme." *IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications*, (2020). Tan, Haowen, et al. "Rsu-aided remote v2v message dissemination employing secure group association for uav-assisted vanets." *Electronics* 10.5 (2021). Ko, Yongho, et al. "Drone secure communication protocol for future sensitive applications in military zone." *Sensors* 21.6 (2021).

#### SeDDS: Secure Direct Data Sharing Steps



#### **SeDDS Performance Analysis**



Wang, Peng, et al. "HDMA: Hybrid D2D message authentication scheme for 5G-enabled VANETs." *IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems* 22.8 (2020). Zhang, Jing, et al. "CBDDS: Secure and revocable cache-based distributed data sharing for vehicular networks." *IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing* (2023).

### **Security Comparison**

Security Requirements	HDMA [19]	CBDDS [24]	SP-D2MD [25]	Cui et al. [22]	Tan et al. [23]	SeDDS	SeGDS
Confidentiality and Integrity	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
High Availability	×	×	1	×	×	1	1
Mutual Authentication	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Non-Repudiation	×	✓	×	1	1	1	1
Content-agnostic	1	×	1	×	×	1	1
Support Offline Connection	×	×	×	×	×	1	×
Support Group Data Sharing	×	×	×	1	✓	×	1
Support Vehicle/UAV Revocation	×	1	×	×	1	1	1
Resist Collusion attack	1	1	×	×	1	1	1
Resist Free-ridding attack	×	×	×	×	×	1	1

### **Conclusion and Future Work**

- SeGDS and SeDDS are secure and efficient protocols for UAV-assisted VANETs.
  - SeGDS reduces communication costs by 2.5x
  - SeDDS reduces computation overhead by 1.5x.
- Future work
  - Focus on energy efficiency optimization
  - Support threat model with malicious RSUs

## Thank you

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