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## A Security Credential Management System for V2V Communications

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# Outline of presentation

- Significance of this design
  - There are lots of papers written every year about certificate management for V2V safety, why is this special?
  - If V2V safety communications happen, the design in this presentation is the leading candidate for real-world deployment in the US.
- Overall architecture + privacy by design
- Original features of the design
  - Linkage authorities and linkage values
  - Butterfly keys

# Who are we and what are we doing?

- Crash Avoidance Metrics Partnership (CAMP)
  - Founded by Ford and GM, forms and manages project teams for pre-competitive technical research
  - Partner organization, Vehicle Infrastructure Integration Consortium (VIIC), provides coordinated policy statements from automotive OEMs
- CAMP Vehicle Safety Communications 3 (VSC3) Consortium: Ford, General Motors, Honda, Hyundai-Kia, Mercedes-Benz, Nissan, Toyota\*, and Volkswagen / Audi
- VSCS Aim: Develop a design for a Secure Credential Management System (SCMS) suitable for deployment across 300 million vehicles
  - Plus potentially aftermarket and nomadic devices
  - Identify full set of functionality that must be supported in day 1 devices

\* Toyota is not part of the VSCS Study Team developing the SCMS

# Background

- 32,000 deaths on the road in the US in 2012
- Significant reduction may be possible from V2V wireless communications for 360° warning applications.
  - 300 m range, 802.11-derived medium access
  - Basic Safety Message (BSM)
    - Location, velocity, steering angle...
  - Allows receiving unit to predict collisions
    - Forward, longitudinal, intersection
  - Warn driver, driver action can prevent or reduce impact of collision
  - Spectrum reserved for these communications since 1999
- USDOT (NHTSA) currently considering mandating this system for inclusion in new light vehicles
  - Decision on mandate to be made 2013, some years before it takes effect

# Security considerations

- Risk of false messages
  - Reduce users' faith in system and cause warnings to be ignored
  - (not safety-related): Messages may affect choice of route or have other mobility/efficiency impacts
  - Requirement: must be able to detect untrustworthy senders or messages and let receivers know not to trust them
- Impact on privacy
  - Don't want the system to be used as a tracking system
    - Tracking is always possible, don't want this option to be the cheapest
  - Prevent eavesdroppers or insiders from collecting Personally Identifiable Information (PII)
  - Conflict with requirement to detect and remove untrustworthy senders
- Design constraints
  - Constraints on available data rate using current V2V system (6 MBps under ideal conditions)
  - Cost-sensitive suppliers: limits on processing power, storage, connectivity, number of 5.9 GHz radios, ...

# Security concept of operations

- Protect against false messages:
  - Messages are signed and not encrypted
    - Signed using ECDSA over the NISTp256 curve
  - Signed message includes (or references) a certificate that specifies permissions (not identity) of holder
  - Misbehaving units can have their certificates identified and revoked
- Protect privacy:
  - Don't directly reveal information: No personal information included in broadcast messages
  - Prevent tracking: "Identifiers" at application, network and other levels should be transient
    - Eavesdropper can only track from place to place if they record all your messages
  - Vehicles have a number of simultaneously valid certificates, can choose which certificate to use to sign each message
    - Baseline number of certs =20 per week
    - When cert changes, all other identifiers change too
      - Currently no standardized algorithm for cert change
  - SCMS is split into a number of components so that no individual component knows the full set of certificates that belong to a single device
  - Policy: out of scope for this presentation (and CAMP). Could consider
    - Restricting law enforcement use of the system
    - Data retention rules for storage of BSMs

# Privacy by Design, an OEM perspective

- Privacy from attacks by an SCMS insider
  - Don't link certificates to VIN or require legal process
  - Separate operation of SCMS components:  
Two or more components should not be run by the same organization without “proper” separation

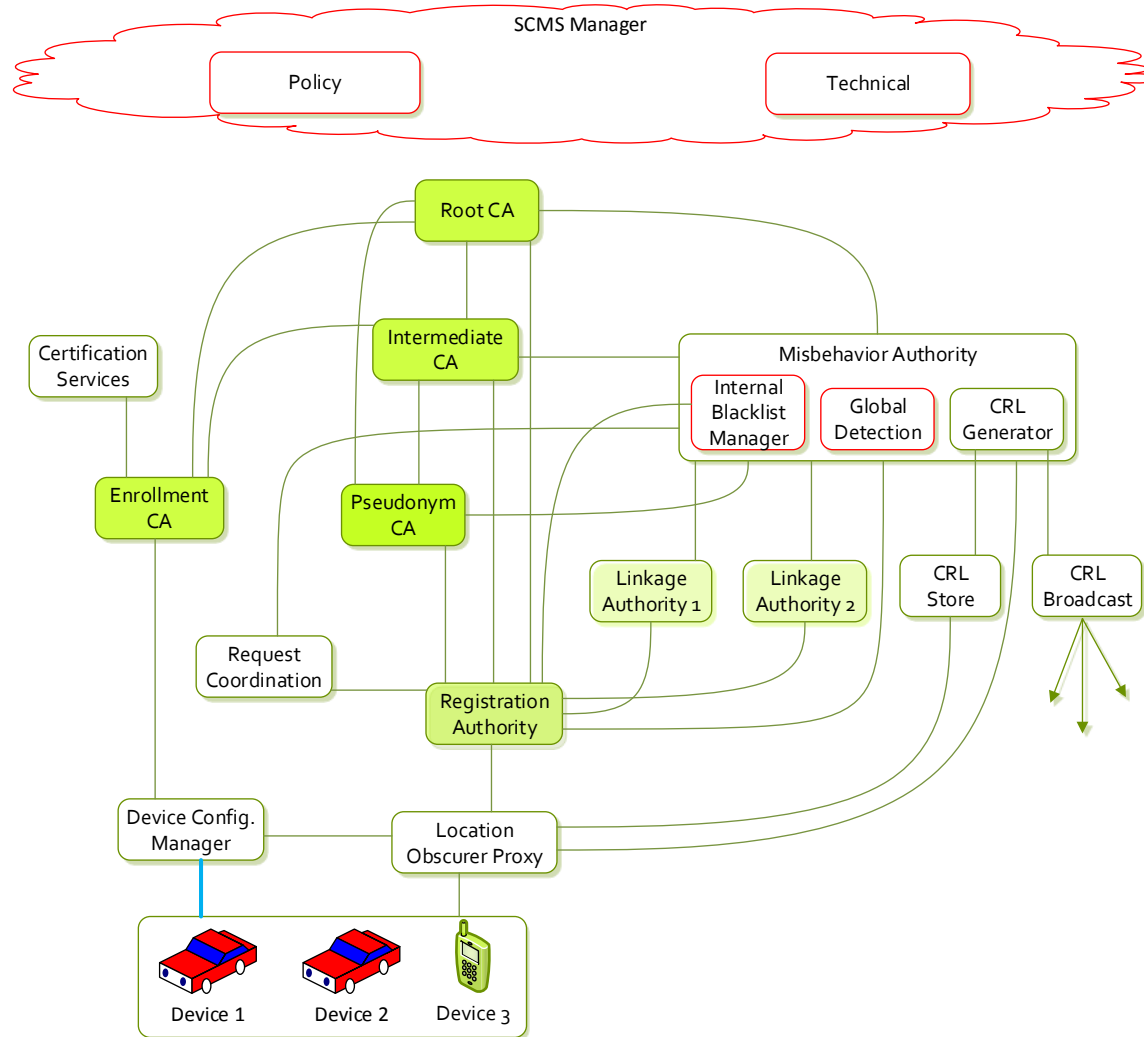
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the combined information held by the components would allow the organization to track\* a vehicle

\*predict next pseudonym certificate based on current one or find out whether two certificates belong to the same device

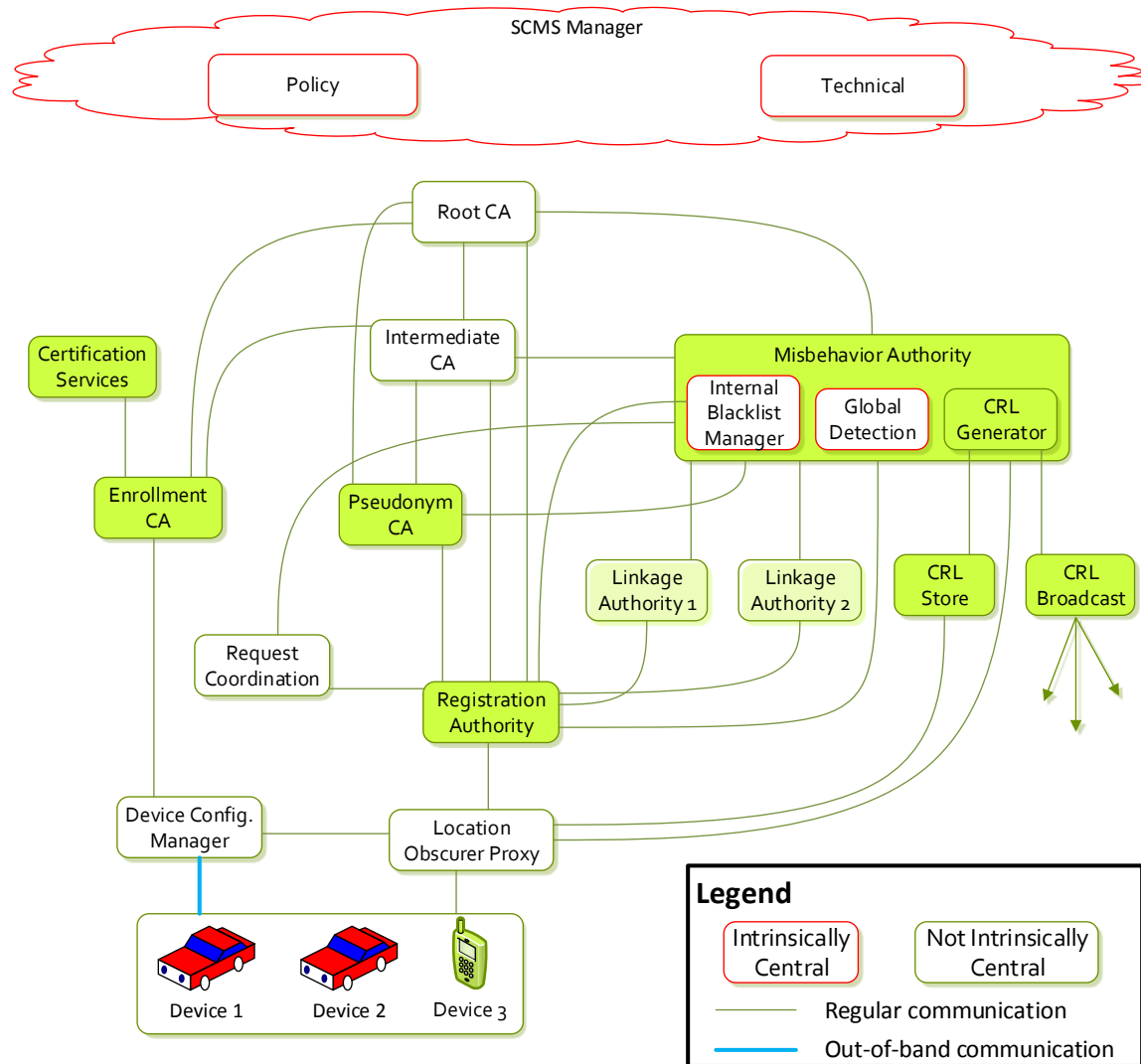
- Divide functionality between SCMS components as necessary to satisfy this approach

# Overview / Standard PKI Hierarchy





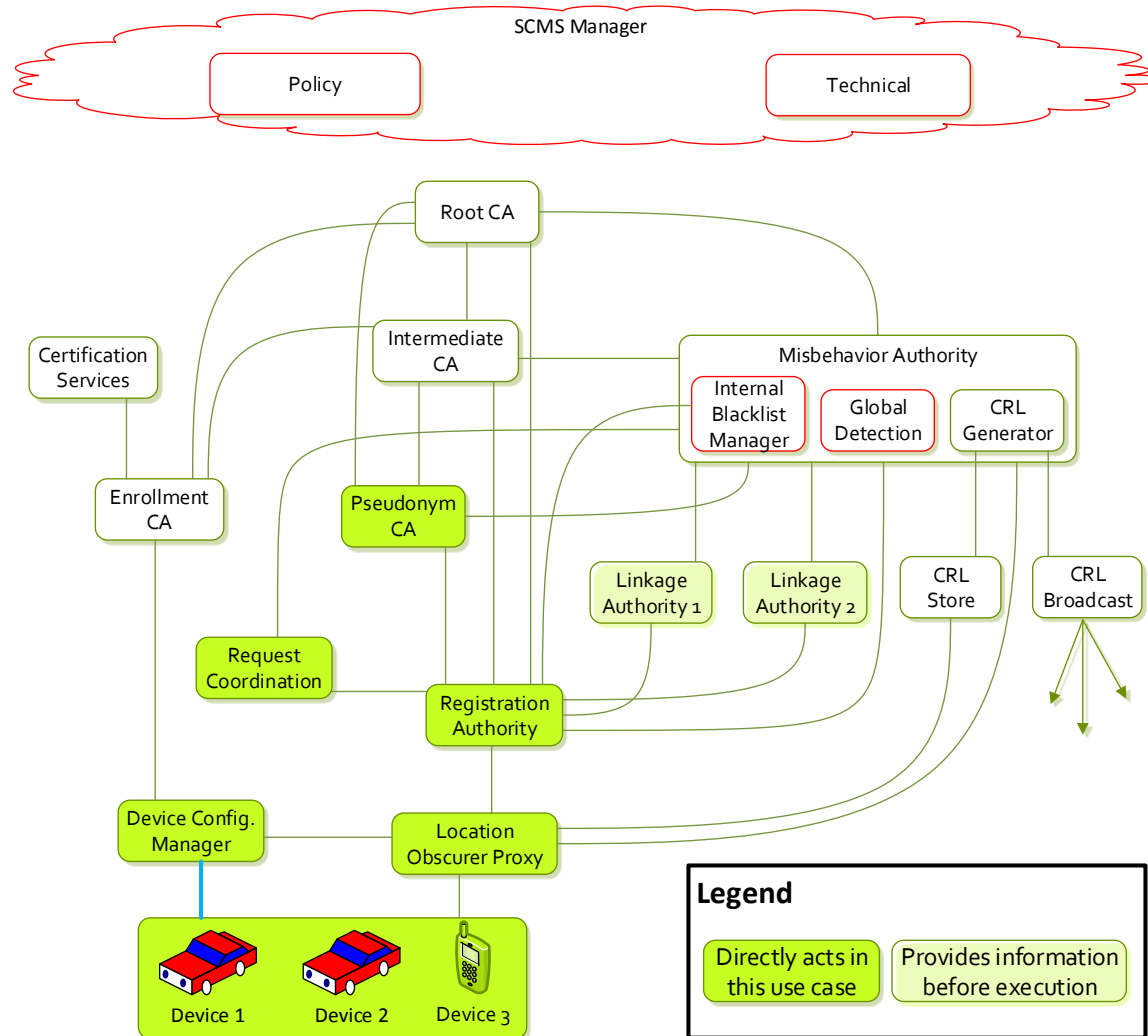
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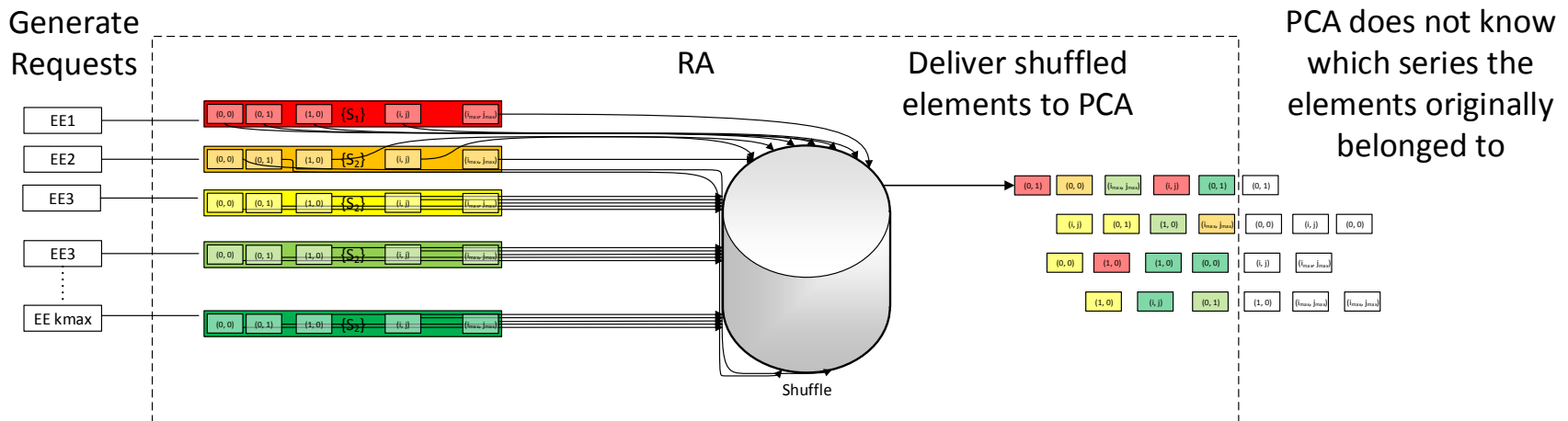
- RA shuffle for privacy
- Certificate request: Butterfly keys
  - Allows more responsiveness & robustness, less work on OBE
- Certificate issuance and revocation: Linkage authorities and linkage values
  - Allows efficient revocation while preventing any SCMS component from tracking non-revoked vehicle
- Misbehavior analysis and revocation
  - Allows certs from misbehaving vehicles to be linked while respecting the privacy of correctly behaving vehicles

# Certificate Provisioning



# Shuffle at the RA

- RA receives requests from multiple end-entity devices
- Combines requests so that PCA doesn't know that two individual cert requests received at the same time come from the same vehicle



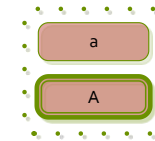
# Butterfly keys: Certificate generation goals

- OBE could simply generate a large number of cert requests and send them encrypted to the PCA, but:
  - OBE is constrained
    - Minimum processing on the OBE
    - Minimum wasted processing on the OBE
  - Connectivity is not guaranteed
    - Small uploads
    - Want to request as many certificates as possible at a given time
  - What if the PCA goes out of business?
- Butterfly keys address all these issues
  - Performance and robustness enhancement, not security enhancement as such

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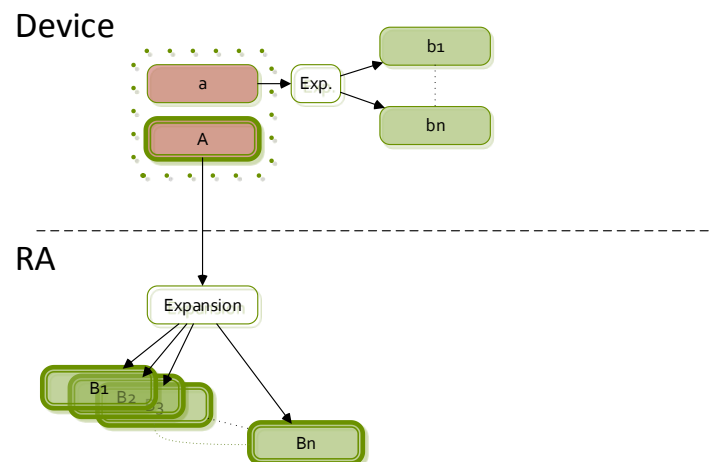
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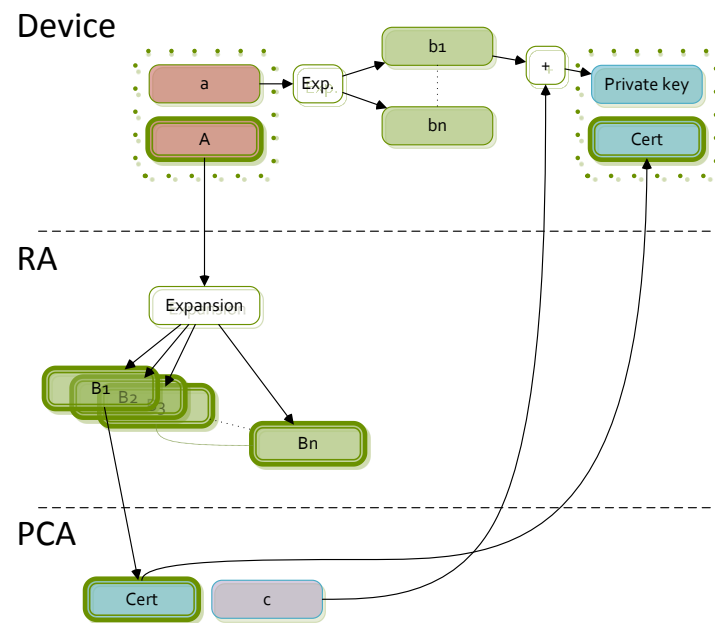
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- CA randomizes each public key separately so the RA can’t recognize them
  - Certs contain the resulting “butterfly” keys
  - CA returns certs and private randomization values to the OBE
- Result: Large number of certs generated from a single initial keypair
  - OBE is the only device that knows private keys
  - Public keys cannot be correlated by any entity
  - Low computational burden on OBE at request time
  - Request once, generate keys for the entire lifetime of the vehicle





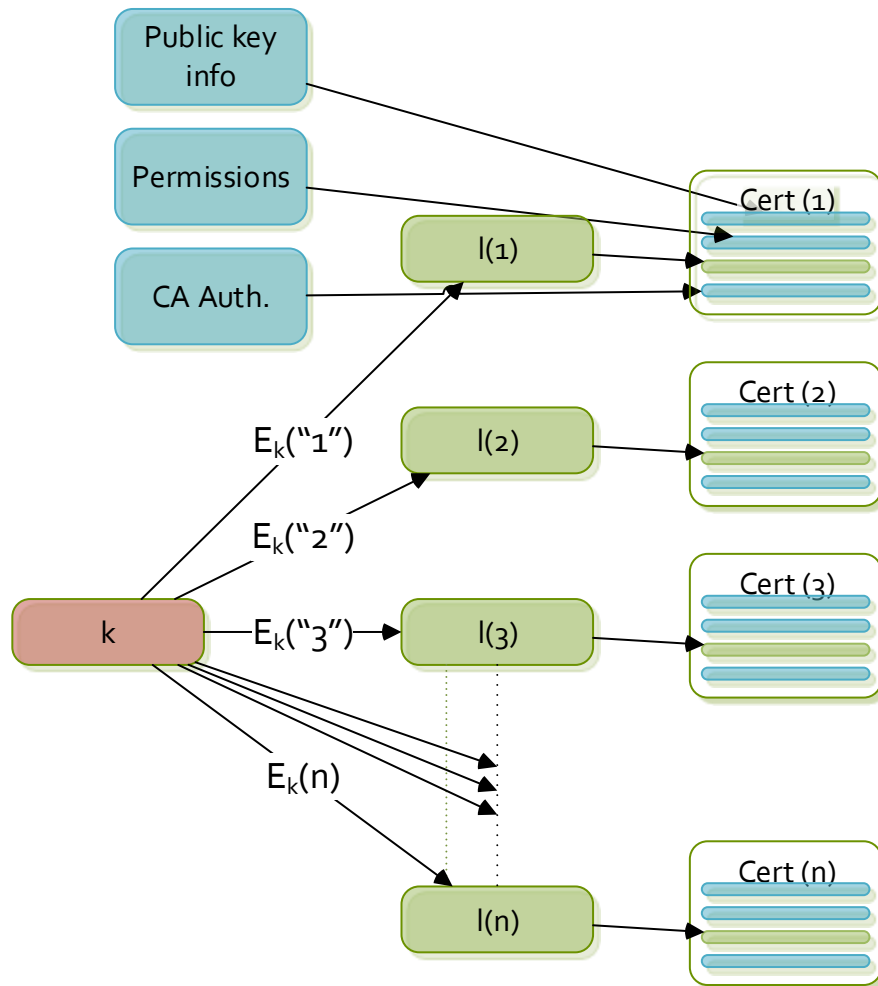
# Butterfly keys vs goals

- Minimum processing on the OBE:
  - One cert request from OBE allows generation of arbitrary number of individual certs
- Minimum wasted processing on the OBE:
  - Certs that are not used need not be decrypted
- Small uploads:
  - Upload is two public ECC keys + two expansion functions (= AES keys)
- Want to request as many certificates as possible at a given time
  - One cert request from OBE allows generation of arbitrary number of individual certs
- What if PCA goes out of business?
  - Requests are not encrypted for a particular PCA; any PCA change can be handled on the backend by the RA

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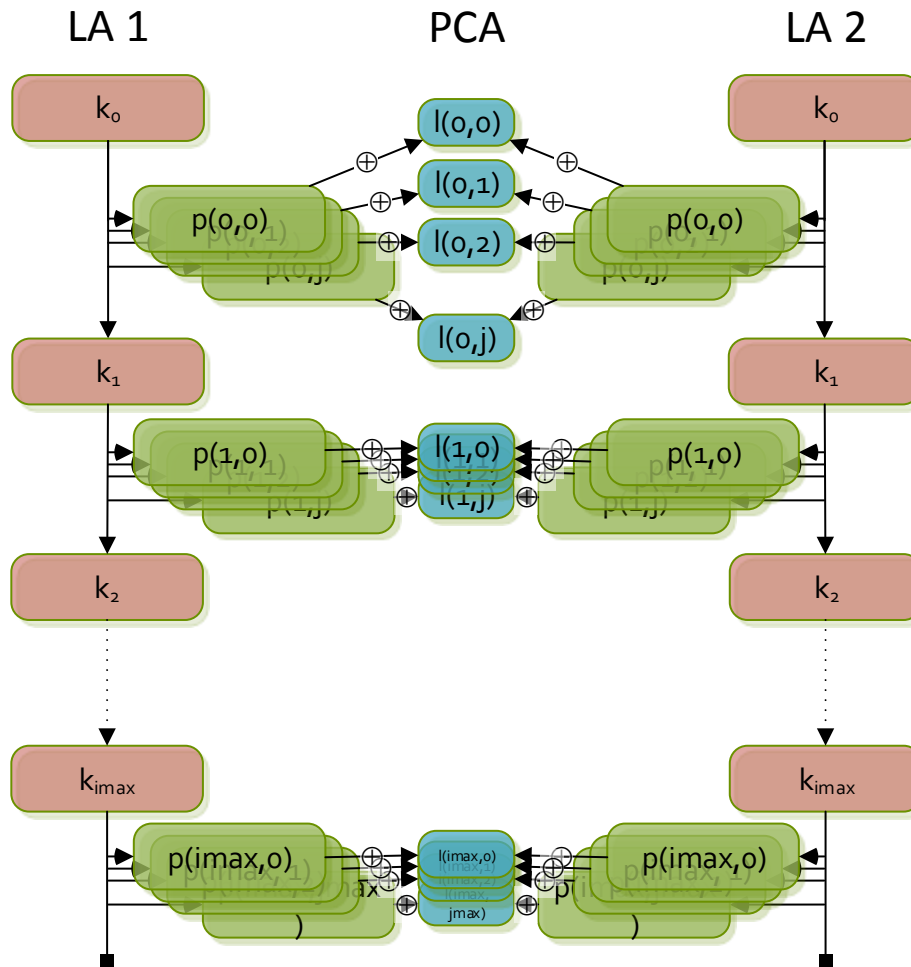
- Why do we need revocation?
  - Why not just choose not to issue new certs to a misbehaving vehicle?
- Not all vehicles will have good data connection
  - Even vehicles that do may be out of coverage
  - Vehicles need to be provisioned with a minimum number of certs in case they are turned off for some time and turned on in an area with no coverage
- If you have a month's worth of certs, you can misbehave for a month
  - If you have three months' worth of certs, you can misbehave for three months
  - If you have three years' worth of certs...
- Revocation must be supported to reduce potential disruption within system, even if in practice it isn't used.
- Need efficient, privacy-preserving revocation

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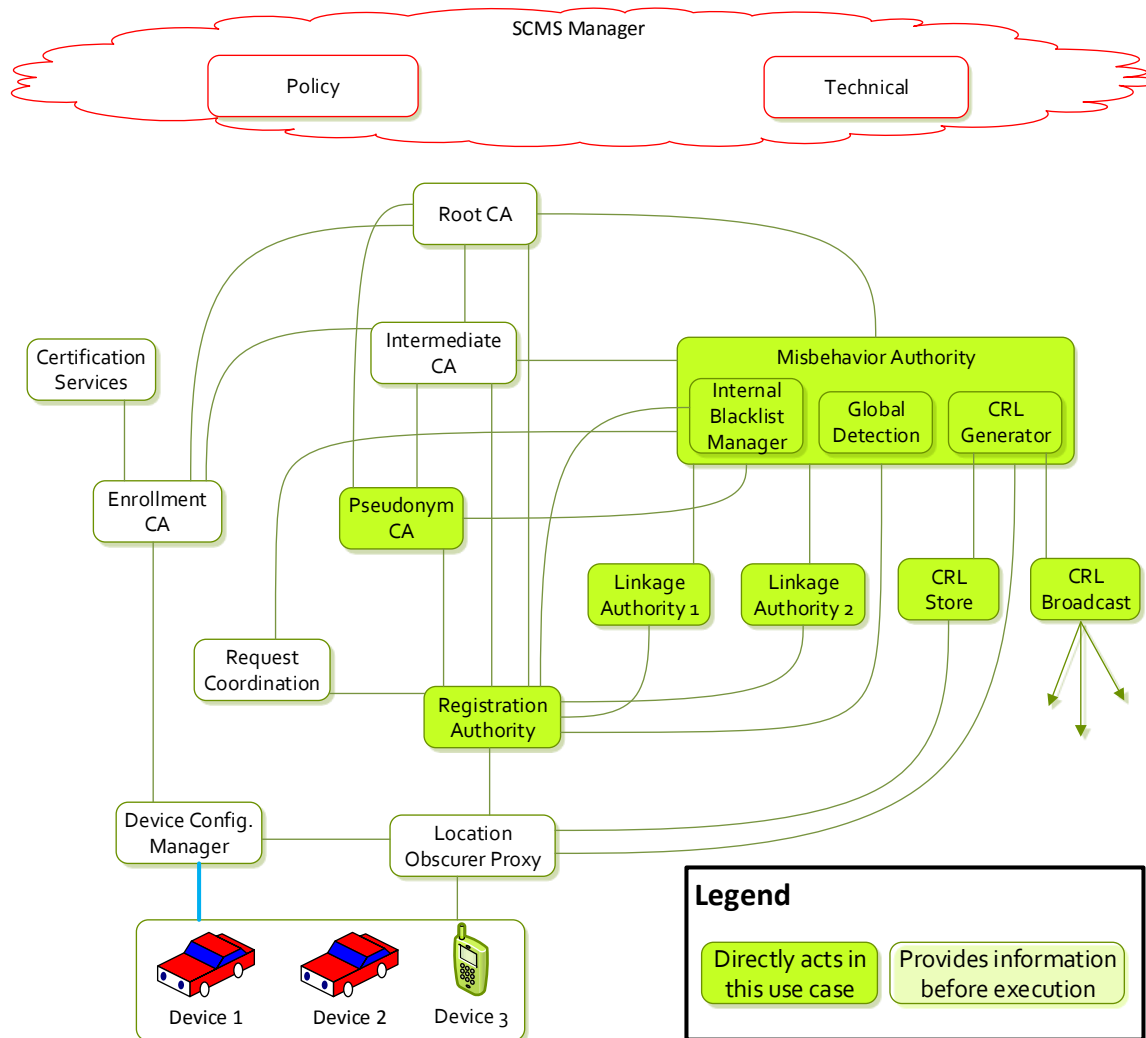
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# Misbehavior investigation

- Misbehavior reporting:
  - OBE -> MA
- Misbehavior analysis:
  - MA by itself
- Misbehavior investigation:
  - MA asks PCA if two certs belong to same vehicle
  - PCA asks LAs
  - Yes/no answer
  - Interfaces can be defined to require evidence to be presented at each stage
  - Interfaces protect privacy – only yes/no answer, linkage seeds are not revealed
  - If a vehicle misbehaves often enough it can be revoked
- Revocation:
  - Linkage seed from each LA goes on the CRL
  - CRL recipients at each time period:
    - Hash linkage seeds forward to that time period
    - Calculate 20 pre-linkage values for each
    - XOR to get linkage value
    - Compare to received cert and reject if match

# Outlook and Ongoing Projects

- VSCS Study One: Design Optimization and Cost Analysis of Connected Vehicle Security System
- Period of Performance: April 3, 2013 – January 3, 2014
- Activities:
  - Define baseline security model and baseline OBE requirements
  - Develop security system cost model
  - Perform cost analysis on baseline security model
  - Analyze potential simplifications to the deployment model
  - Analyze alternative device-SCMS connectivity approaches
  - Identify technical approaches to linking enrollment certificates to batches of devices to aid defect investigations
  - Provide design recommendations for V2V Security System





Extra slides



# Butterfly Keys: Elliptic Curve background

Alice	Bob	
$a, A = aG$	$G, A$	$a = \text{private key}, A = \text{public key}, G = \text{base point}$
		Alice uses $a$ to sign
		Bob knows $A$ and $G$ but can't find $a$
		Bob can use $A$ to verify Alice's signatures
	$b, B = bG$	"ephemeral keypair"
$a+b, A+B$	$b, A+B$	$A+B = (a+b)G$
		Only Alice knows $a+b$ although Bob has contributed to key
		Alice can sign with $(a+b)$ just as with any private key; no-one else can
		Bob and others can verify with $A+B$ just as with any public key

Why does this matter?

# Butterfly key process

(Notation is different from paper for space reasons)

OBE	RA	PCA	
$a, A = aG$ $f_s(i, j)$	$A, f_s$		$f_s =$ "pseudorandom permutation" $= AES_k(i    j)$ for some $k$
	$B_{1,1} = A + f_s(1,1)*G$ $B_{1,2} = A + f_s(1,2)*G$ $B_{1,3} = A + f_s(1,3)*G$ ...		$a+f_s(1,1)$ is private key for $B_{1,1}$ $a+f_s(1,2)$ is private key for $B_{1,2}$ $a+f_s(1,3)$ is private key for $B_{1,3}$ ...
	$B_{1,1}$	$c, C = cG$ Issue $Cert(B_{1,1}+C)$	$c$ is randomly generated & distinct for each received $B$
		$E = Enc_{OBE}(Cert, c, "1,1")$	Encrypt response so that RA can't see cert contents Response encryption key is butterfly key formed from $(H, f_e)$
$(Cert, c, "1,1")$		$Sign_{CA}(E)$	Signing proves that CA encrypted message, not RA
$a+f_s(1,1)+$			$a + f_s(1,1) + c$ is private key for

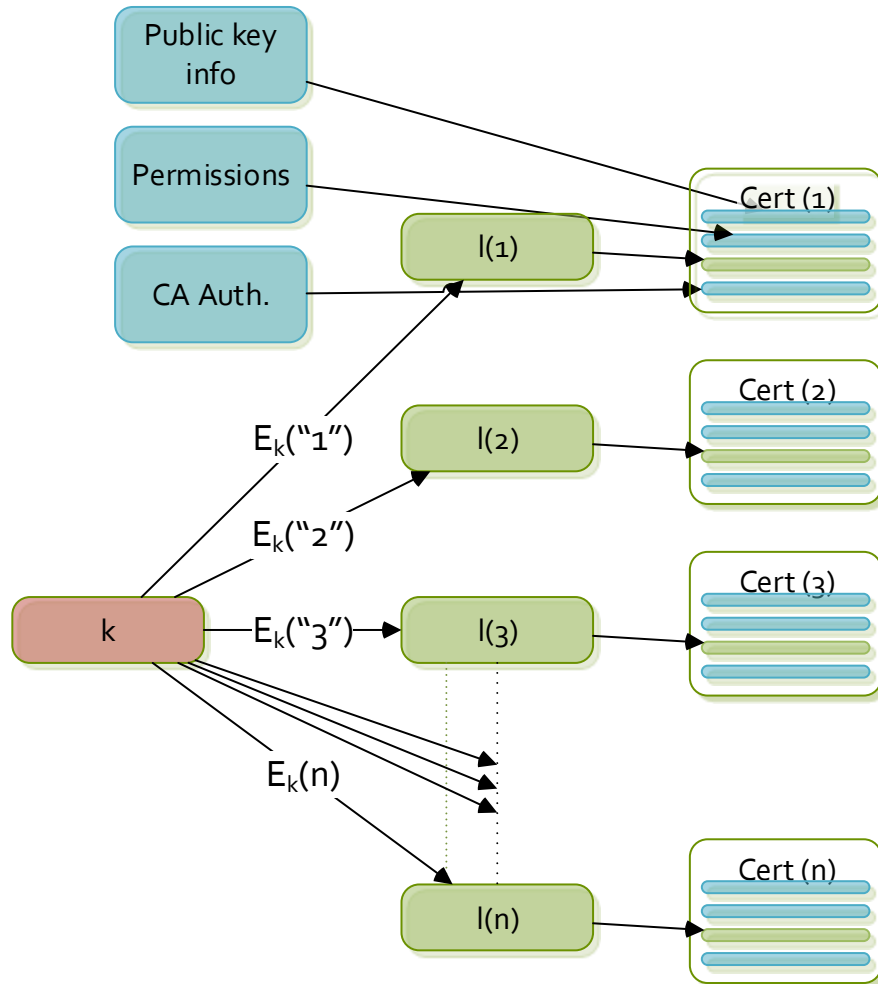
# Butterfly keys: OBE to RA

- Start with a single “caterpillar” public key  $A$  in a cert request
  - $A = aG$ ,  $a$  = private key (integer) mod  $p$ ,  $G$  = Elliptic Curve Base Point
  - Given  $A$  &  $G$ , very hard to find the value  $a$
  - $(a+b)*G = aG + bG$
- Want to expand this to certs for time period  $(i, j)$ 
  - OBE defines *expansion function*  $f_s(i, j)$  that takes  $(i, j)$  to (pseudo)random integer mod  $p$ 
    - Pick AES key  $k$
    - $f_s(i, j) = \text{AES}_k(0^{128} \text{ XOR } [i_{32} \parallel j_{32}]) \parallel \text{AES}_k(1^{128} \text{ XOR } [i_{32} \parallel j_{32}])$
  - Shares  $f_s(i, j)$  with RA (i.e. shares  $k$ )
  - Then RA can calculate  $B_{ij} = A + f_s(i, j)*G$ 
    - $f_s$  is pseudorandom, so the PCA cannot determine that  $B_{ij}$ s from the same  $A$  are related
  - Corresponding private key is  $a + f_s(i, j)$  which *only OBE knows*
- So:
  - A single cert request from the OBE to the RA leads to...
  - Multiple individual uncorrelated public keys from the RA to the PCA
  - These can be shuffled together, protecting OBE privacy against PCA

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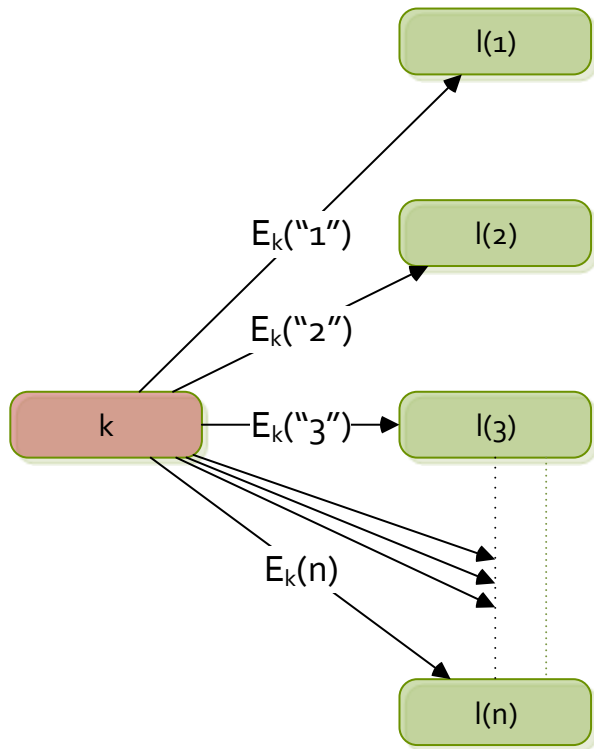
- One more requirement: RA must not know the public keys in the certs
  - But RA has put the public keys in the requests
- PCA generates an offset
  - Integer  $c$ , point  $C = cG$ , generated freshly at random for each request
  - PCA receives request containing  $B_{ij}$ , signs cert containing  $B_{ij} + C$ 
    - $B_{ij}$  = “cocoon” public key,  $B_{ij} + C$  = “butterfly” public key
  - PCA returns  $(c, \text{Cert})$  to RA to return to OBE
    - Encrypted under a separate butterfly encryption key
    - Ciphertext signed by PCA to prevent MITM attack by RA
    - Encrypted response includes indication of the request it is associated with so RA can return it to the right OBE
- Now:
  - Shuffle prevents PCA from knowing which certs go together
  - Offset prevents RA from knowing which certs go together
  - Only the OBE knows the contents of its certs
  - OBE knows  $a$ ,  $f_s(i, j)$ , receives  $c$ :
    - $(a + f_s(i, j) + c) * G = A + f_s(i, j)G + C = B_{ij} + C \leftarrow$  public key in cert
    - ... so  $a + f_s(i, j) + c =$  private key for cert

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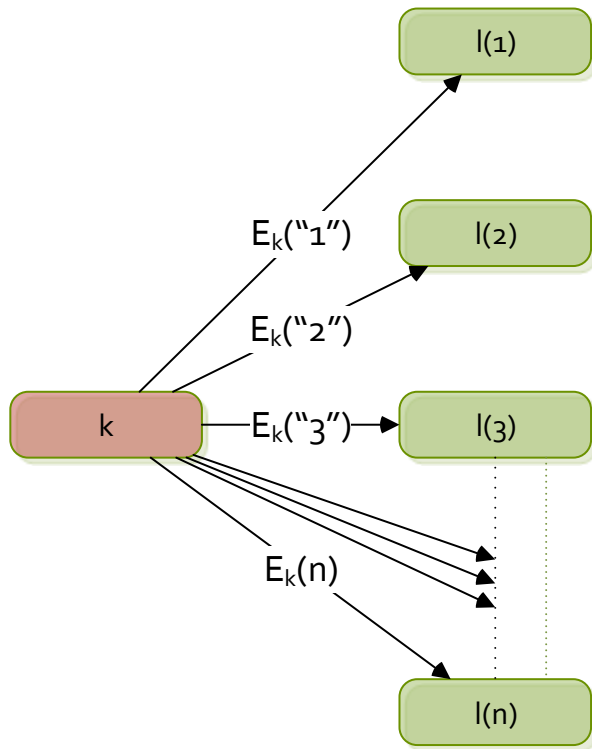
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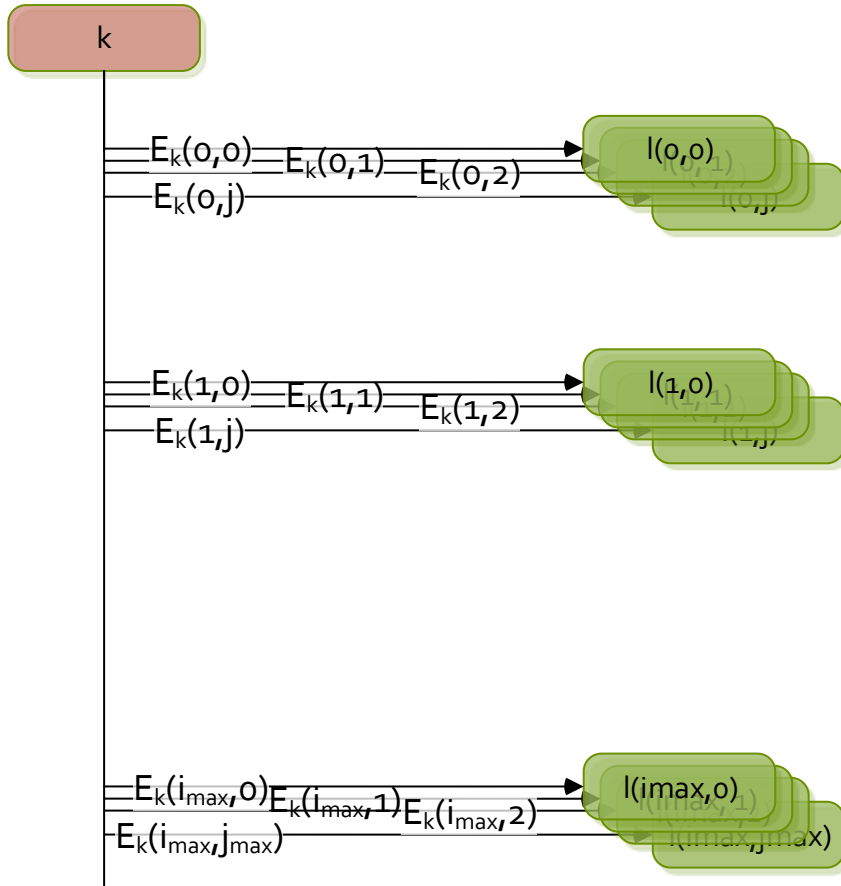
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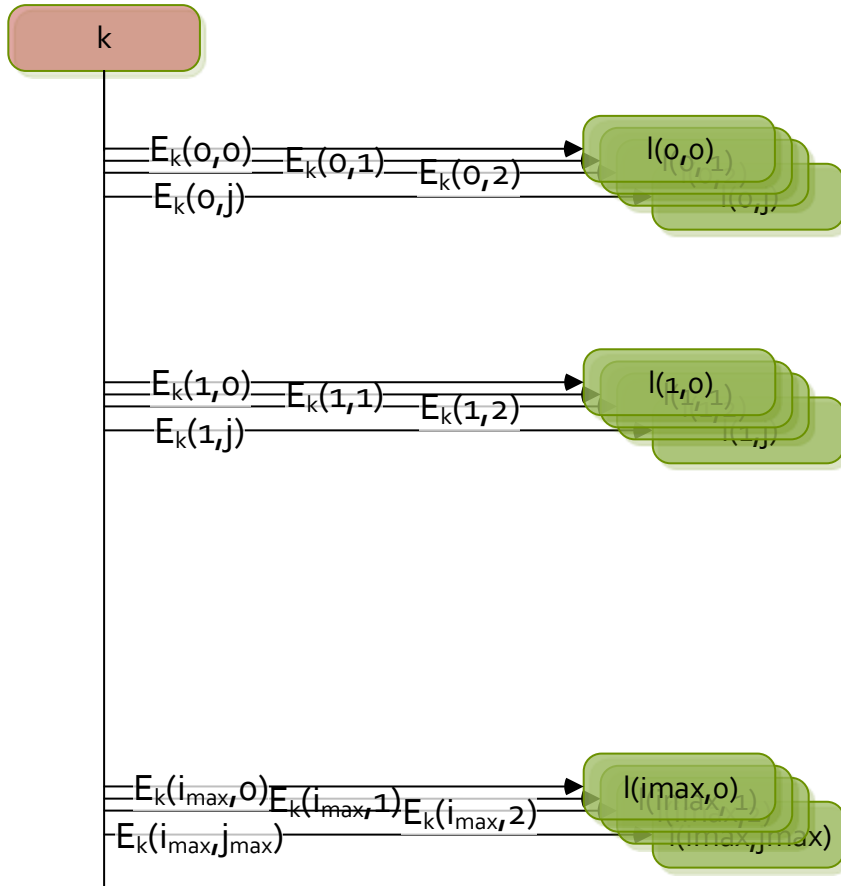


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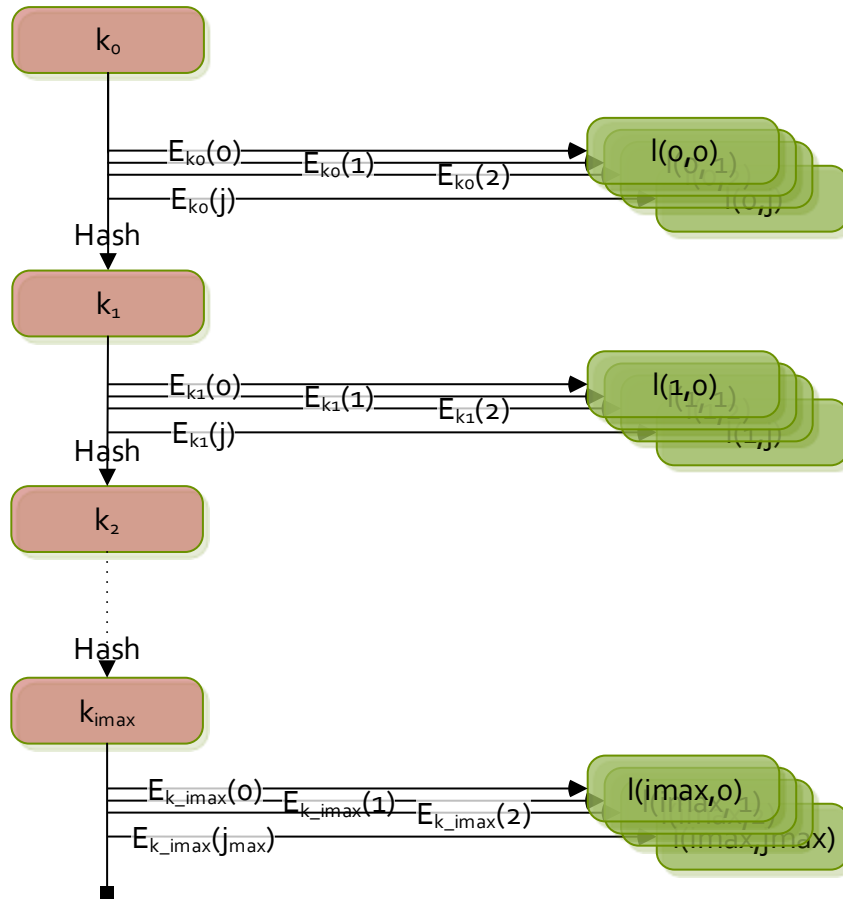
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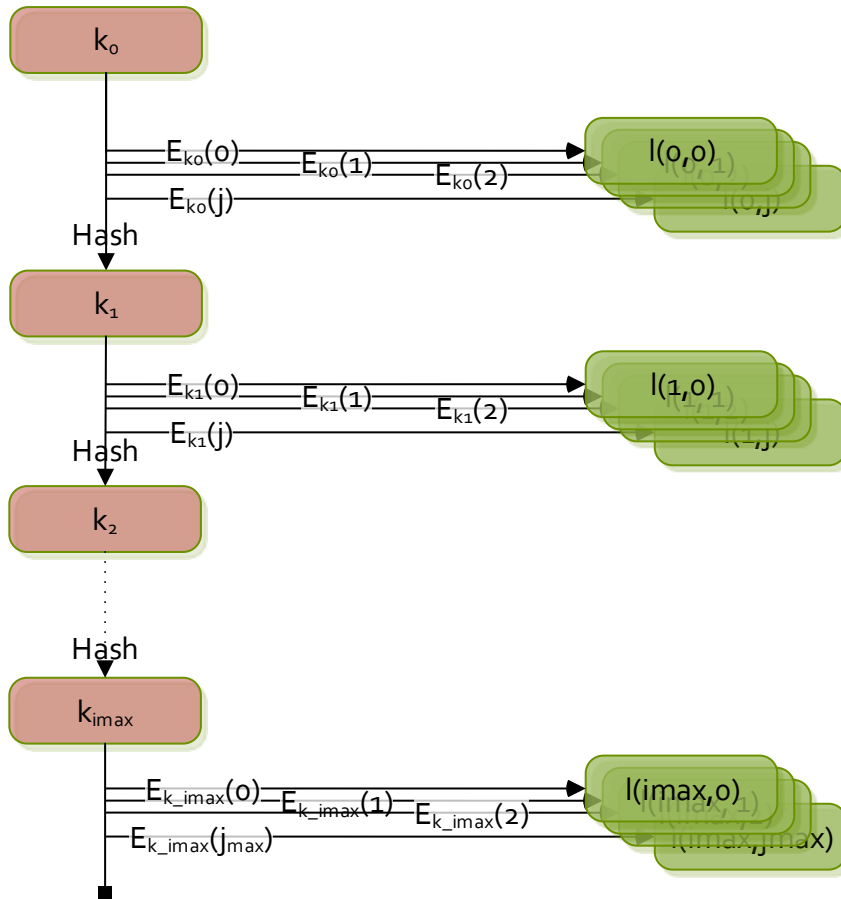
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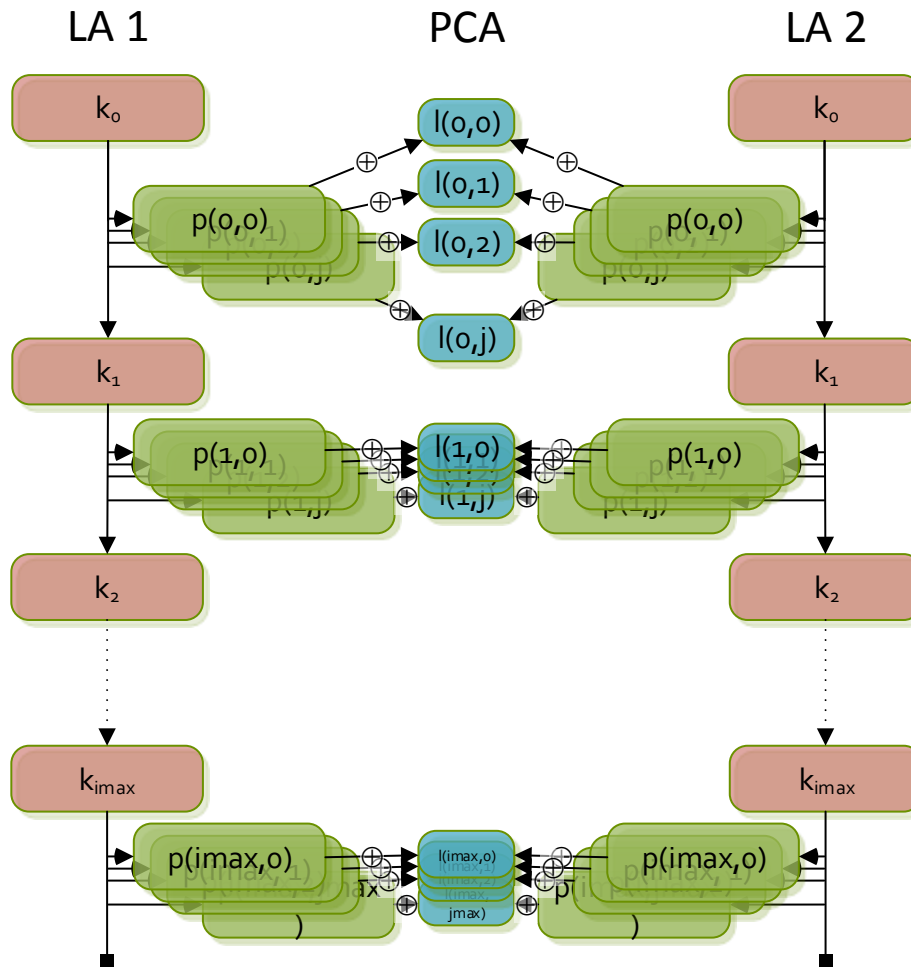
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