# Blockchain-Powered Vehicle Authentication and Tracking

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Abstract—The blockchain-based vehicle authentication and tracking system utilizes networks like Ganache, which is based on the Ethereum network, to revolutionize the management of vehicle data using a secure, decentralized approach. It ensures transparency and access to vital information, including service records, through an immutable ledger, making it possible for stakeholders to make informed decisions. The system's key features include real-time service updates directly from authorized service centers, robust anti-fraud mechanisms to prevent data tampering, and a user-friendly interface developed with Angular for intuitive access to essential functionalities.

Smart contracts play a pivotal role by automating key operations, such as service record validations and process workflows, eliminating the need for intermediaries and reducing human error. Integration of decentralized storage, such as with IPFS, ensures highly available data, high security, and immunity to loss of data. In this innovative new system, besides trust and integrity towards the users, operational efficiency increases and new standards of transparency and security in the automotive industry are set. Its scalable design will mean that it can adapt to future development and widespread uptake by the industry.

*Index Terms*—Blockchain Technology, Ethereum Network, Smart Contracts, Decentralized Storage (IPFS), Angular Framework, Data Integrity

# I. INTRODUCTION

Blockchain technology has emerged as a revolutionary and transformative tool playing a vital role in ensuring the integrity of data, enhancing transparency, and providing robust security measures across various domains. Its unique features of decentralization, immutability, and tamper-proof data storage have made it a highly sought-after solution in industries that rely heavily on trust, accuracy, and security. Among these sectors, the automobile industry is a sector that stands out as having much to gain from the use of blockchain technology.

In the automobile sector, the application and integration of blockchain technology can really transform the management and tracking of vehicle records, such as maintenance history. Traditional systems, which rely predominantly on centralized databases, have been widely criticized for their vulnerabilities. Centralized databases are susceptible to fraudulent practices, unauthorized access, and data manipulation-issues that severely compromise the reliability and accuracy of critical information. These limitations create significant challenges for stakeholders, including buyers, sellers, and service providers, leading to inefficiencies and mistrust in the market.

From the roots of blockchain technology, one could derive a decentralized and immutable ledger system that changed the way data is stored and shared. The system increases the trust and accountability aspects since once recorded, data cannot be altered or deleted without reaching a consensus. By applying blockchain to vehicle management, the industry can finally get rid of problems such as fraud, lack of transparency, and inefficiency, setting the stage for a more secure and reliable environment.

The chapters in this document attempt to explore the broad challenges and opportunities within the automotive industry. They go into the ways blockchain technology can be a transformative tool in effectively addressing these issues. Real-time updates on vehicle service records, blockchain has the potential to make a positive and lasting impact. In addition, the use of smart contracts introduces another layer of automation and security, making it easier to manage complex processes such as service reporting. This paper, through in-depth discussions, aims to shed light on the potential of blockchain in revolutionizing vehicle authentication and tracking. It presents a roadmap for using blockchain to create a transparent, efficient, and fraud-resistant system that will drive innovation and trust in the automotive sector.

The integration of blockchain with vehicle history and authentication systems would help in the development of an open, efficient, and secure platform. With the combined strength of smart contracts and the immutability ledger of blockchain, there would be guaranteed records that are accurate and tamper-proof. This would be a solution for both buyers, sellers, and service providers that is reliable and safe.

# **II. OBJECTIVES**

- Leverage blockchain's immutable ledger to provide tamper-proof storage and transparent access to critical vehicle data, thus building trust among customers and service providers.
- Decentralized Platform for Secure Management of Service History
- Accurate and real-time updates from authorized service centers, free from fragmented or centralized systems.
- Use smart contracts for the automation of routine operations such as validating transactions and updating service records, thereby reducing human intervention, improving efficiency, and reducing errors.
- Utilize decentralized storage solutions like the InterPlanetary File System (IPFS) for secure, fault-tolerant storage of vehicle-related documents that would ensure high availability and reduce dependency on central databases.

# **III. REVIEW EXISTING METHODOLOGIES**

Traditional vehicle data systems rely on centralized databases managed by specific organizations or service centers to store and oversee records such as service history.

Service records are often maintained manually or through basic electronic systems, resulting in limited integration among stakeholders.

Information about vehicle service and tracking is dispersed across different systems, lacking standardization and real-time updates.

# IV. PROPOSED METHODOLOGIES

The system comprises multiple integrated layers, ensuring the effective and secure operations of the system. The Front-End Layer, designed using the Angular framework, gives an interactive interface to the system for the users to access, manage functionalities, and interact with an interactive dashboard. The Backend Layer, developed with Python Django, serves as a middleware that processes requests from users, manages data, and communicates with the blockchain for data integrity and security. Smart Contracts are issued on the Ethereum blockchain, enabling transactions and the application of rules automatically without requiring a middleman. The Blockchain Transaction Layer, using applications like Ganache and MetaMask, allows the secure testing and management of transactions as well as unhindered to Ethereum-based applications. access All transactions are recorded in the Digital Ledger-the Ethereum Blockchain-to ensure the transparent, tamper-proof, and secure recording of all operations. In addition, Decentralized Storage is implemented using IPFS (InterPlanetary File System), which provides high-availability and fault-tolerant storage, eliminating the need for traditional centralized databases.

#### V. BACKGROUND LITERATURE

Blockchain technology has the potential to significantly change the automotive industry by tackling major inefficiencies in data management and record-keeping. Its fundamental characteristics of decentralization, transparency, and immutability create a strong framework for securely handling essential vehicle-related information. With blockchain, service records can be updated accurately and securely, allowing real-time access to information while reducing the risks associated with traditional, fragmented database systems. This leads to increased trust and efficiency in managing vehicles.

The combination of blockchain with IoT (Internet of Things) further boosts operational efficiency by automating the gathering of real-time performance, diagnostics, and service data from vehicle sensors. This information is securely logged on the blockchain, facilitating automatic maintenance scheduling and immediate updates, which enhances transparency and reliability among all parties involved. Moreover, smart contracts streamline processes by automating routine tasks like data validation and service updates.

However, despite its potential, blockchain encounters challenges such as scaling to handle large data volumes, high transaction costs, and the need for seamless integration with existing systems. Additionally, a lack of awareness and expertise among stakeholders can impede its broader adoption. To fully realize the benefits of blockchain in the automotive sector, it is essential to focus on overcoming these challenges through standardized protocols, training initiatives, and technological innovations. By merging blockchain with IoT and smart contracts, the industry can establish a secure, efficient, and transparent ecosystem for managing vehicle data, ultimately transforming the way vehicle-related records are processed.

# VI. RESULTS

The blockchain-based system ensures data integrity, security, and transparency with its immutable ledger, which guarantees tamper-proof records and builds trust among stakeholders. It offers real-time updates, decentralized data management through IPFS, and efficient process automation using smart contracts, which help to reduce errors and eliminate intermediaries. The user-friendly interface developed with Angular makes it easy to navigate, while the scalable, modular architecture allows for future enhancements. This system effectively minimizes fraud, cuts operational costs, improves collaboration through seamless data sharing, and promotes trust with its transparent operations, positioning it as a forwardthinking solution for vehicle data management.



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# VII. CONCLUSION

Integrating blockchain technology into vehicle management systems addresses issues of integrity, security, and transparency. By using Ganache for blockchain operations and Angular for a user-friendly interface, the proposed system enhances vehicle management, reduces fraud, and offers stakeholders accurate, data-driven insights. This robust framework boosts efficiency and security in the automotive industry, although further advancements are needed to fully realize the benefits of blockchain applications.

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