

**EAP Session-Id Derivation**  
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Abstract

EAP Session-Id derivation has not been defined for EAP-SIM, EAP-AKA, and EAP-AKA' when using the fast re-authentication exchange instead of full authentication. This document updates [[RFC5247](#)] to define those derivations for EAP-SIM, and EAP-AKA. [[AKAP](#)] defines the Session-ID for EAP-AKA', so the definition for EAP-AKA' is not included here. [[RFC5247](#)] also does not define Session-Id derivation for PEAP. A definition is given here which follows the definition for other TLS-based EAP methods.

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## **1. Introduction**

EAP [[RFC3748](#)] Session-Id derivation has not been defined for EAP-SIM, EAP-AKA, and EAP-AKA' when using the fast re-authentication exchange instead of full authentication. [[RFC5247](#)] defines the Session-Id for these EAP methods, but that derivation is only applicable for the full authentication case.

The IEEE is defining FILS authentication [[FILS](#)], which needs the EAP Session-Id for in order for the EAP Re-authentication Protocol (ERP) [[RFC5296](#)] to work, it would be important to get this resolved with a clearly defined and agreed derivation rules to allow fast re-authentication cases to be used to derive ERP key hierarchy.

Further, [[RFC5247](#)] did not define Session-Id for PEAP. We correct that deficiency here.

### **1.1. Requirements Language**

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [BCP 14](#) [[RFC2119](#)] [[RFC8174](#)] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.



## **2. Updates to [RFC 5247 Appendix A](#)**

This section updates [\[RFC5247\] Appendix A](#) to define Session-Id for fast re-authentication exchange for EAP-AKA and EAP-SIM. It further defines Session-ID derivation for PEAP.

### **2.1. EAP-AKA**

For EAP-AKA, [\[RFC5247\] Appendix A](#) says:

EAP-AKA

EAP-AKA is defined in [\[RFC4187\]](#). The EAP-AKA Session-Id is the concatenation of the EAP Type Code (0x17) with the contents of the RAND field from the AT\_RAND attribute, followed by the contents of the AUTN field in the AT\_AUTN attribute:

Session-Id = 0x17 || RAND || AUTN

It should say:

EAP-AKA

EAP-AKA is defined in [\[RFC4187\]](#). When using full authentication, the EAP-AKA Session-Id is the concatenation of the EAP Type Code (0x17) with the contents of the RAND field from the AT\_RAND attribute, followed by the contents of the AUTN field in the AT\_AUTN attribute:

Session-Id = 0x17 || RAND || AUTN

When using fast re-authentication, the EAP-AKA Session-Id is the concatenation of the EAP Type Code (0x17) with the contents of the NONCE\_S field from the AT\_NONCE\_S attribute, followed by the contents of the MAC field from the AT\_MAC attribute from EAP-Request/AKA-Reauthentication:

Session-Id = 0x17 || NONCE\_S || MAC

### **2.2. EAP-SIM**

Similarly for EAP-SIM, it says:

EAP-SIM

EAP-SIM is defined in [\[RFC4186\]](#). The EAP-SIM Session-Id is the concatenation of the EAP Type Code (0x12) with the contents of the



RAND field from the AT\_RANDOM attribute, followed by the contents of the NONCE\_MT field in the AT\_NONCE\_MT attribute:

Session-Id = 0x12 || RAND || NONCE\_MT

The Peer-Id is the contents of the Identity field from the AT\_IDENTITY attribute, using only the Actual Identity Length octets from the beginning, however. Note that the contents are used as they are transmitted, regardless of whether the transmitted identity was a permanent, pseudonym, or fast EAP re-authentication identity. The Server-Id is the null string (zero length).

It should say:

#### EAP-SIM

EAP-SIM is defined in [\[RFC4186\]](#). The EAP-SIM Session-Id is the concatenation of the EAP Type Code (0x12) with the contents of the RAND field from the AT\_RANDOM attribute, followed by the contents of the NONCE\_MT field in the AT\_NONCE\_MT attribute:

Session-Id = 0x12 || RAND || NONCE\_MT

The Peer-Id is the contents of the Identity field from the AT\_IDENTITY attribute, using only the Actual Identity Length octets from the beginning, however. Note that the contents are used as they are transmitted, regardless of whether the transmitted identity was a permanent, pseudonym, or fast EAP re-authentication identity. The Server-Id is the null string (zero length).

When using fast re-authentication, the EAP-AKA Session-Id is the concatenation of the EAP Type Code (0x12) with the contents of the NONCE\_S field from the AT\_NONCE\_S attribute, followed by the contents of the MAC field from the AT\_MAC attribute from EAP-Request/AKA-Reauthentication:

Session-Id = 0x12 || NONCE\_S || MAC

### **[2.3.](#) Rationale**

[RFC5247] was supposed to define exported parameters for existing EAP methods in [Appendix A](#). The way Session-Id was defined for EAP-AKA and EAP-SIM works only for the full authentication case, i.e., it cannot be used when the optional fast re-authentication case is used since the used parameters (RAND, AUTN, NONCE\_MT) are not used in the fast



re-authentication case. Based on [\[RFC4187\] Section 5.2](#), and similar text in [\[RFC4186\]](#), NONCE\_S corresponds to RAND and MAC in EAP-Request/AKA-Reauthentication corresponds to AUTN. That would seem to imply that the Session-Id could be defined using NONCE\_S and MAC instead of RAND and AUTN/NONCE\_MT.

### **2.3.1. Session-Id for PEAP**

[RFC5247] did not define Session-Id definition for Microsoft's Protected EAP (PEAP). Similar to the definition in [\[RFC5216\] Section 2.3](#), we define it as:

Session-Id = 0x19 || client.random || server.random).  
This definition is already in wide-spread use in multiple PEAP implementations.

## **3. Security Considerations**

This specification defines EAP Session-Ids for fast re-authentication with EAP-SIM and EAP-AKA. It therefore enables fast re-authentication for those protocols.

## **4. IANA Considerations**

There are no actions for IANA. RFC EDITOR: This section may be removed before publication.

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