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Abstract

This document specifies algorithm identifiers and ASN.1 encoding formats for digital signatures and subject public keys, including NTRUSign digital signatures and NTRUEncrypt and NTRUSign subject public keys used in the Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure (PKI). Digital signatures are used to sign certificates and certificate revocation lists (CRLs). Certificates include the public key of the named subject. This document is intended to be a companion to [draft-ietf-pkix-ipki-pkalgs-05.txt](#) [[PKIX-ALGS](#)] and may be merged with that document in future revisions if approved by the PKIX working group.

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1. Overview

This document specifies algorithm identifiers and ASN.1 encoding formats for digital signatures and subject public keys used in the Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure (PKI). This specification supplements [RFC 2459](#) [[RFC2459](#)], "Internet Public Key Infrastructure: X.509 Certificate and CRL Profile". Implementations of this specification must also conform to [RFC 2459](#) [[RFC2459](#)]. This document is being written concurrently with the PKIX public key algorithms Internet Draft [[PKIX-ALGS](#)] (the latest version as of this writing is [draft-ietf-pkix-ipki-pkalg-05.txt](#)). It is intended that when this document is completed and approved by the PKIX working group that it be merged with that document. The format of this document is written to approximately match the format of that Internet Draft.

This specification defines the contents of the signatureAlgorithm, signatureValue, signature and subjectPublicKeyInfo fields within Internet X.509 certificates and CRLs.

This document does not currently introduce any new one-way hash functions, but it specifies the use of SHA-256, SHA-384 and SHA-512 hash algorithms as defined in the draft of FIPS 180-2 [[FIPS180-2](#)] as well as the SHA-1 hash algorithm as defined in FIPS 180-1 [[FIPS180-1](#)] with the NTRUSign signature algorithm. It is anticipated that future revisions will include the algorithm identifiers and ASN.1 encoding of the FIPS 180-2 hash algorithms.

This specification describes the encoding of digital signatures generated with the following cryptographic algorithms;

- * NTRUSign Signature Scheme (NTRUSign).

It is anticipated that future revisions of this document will include the extended version of the Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA) [[FIPS186-2](#)], which has not yet been published. In addition, it is anticipated that the document will include the algorithm identifiers and ASN.1 encoding of pre-existing algorithms (e.g. RSA) when used in conjunction with the FIPS 180-2 hash algorithms.

This document specifies the contents of the subjectPublicKeyInfo field in Internet X.509 certificates. For each algorithm, the appropriate alternatives for the keyUsage extension are provided. This specification describes encoding formats for public keys used with the following cryptographic algorithms:

- * NTRUEncrypt Encryption Scheme (NTRUEncrypt)
- * NTRUSign Signature Scheme (NTRUSign)

2. Algorithm Support

This section describes cryptographic algorithms that may be used with the Internet X.509 Certificate and CRL Profile. In particular, it describes the NTRUSign digital signature algorithm, which may be used to sign certificates and CRLs. In addition, this section identifies OIDs and ASN.1 encoding for NTRUSign and NTRUEncrypt

public keys contained in a certificate. It is anticipated that additional algorithms, such as the extended version of DSA, will be included in future revisions.

Conforming CAs and application are not required to support the algorithms or algorithm identifiers described in this section. However, conforming CAs and applications that use the algorithms identified here MUST support them as specified.

2.1 Signature Algorithms

Certificates and CRLs conforming to [RFC 2459](#) [[RFC2459](#)] may be signed with any public key signature algorithm. The certificate or CRL indicates the algorithm through an algorithm identifier, which appears in the signatureAlgorithm field within the Certificate or CertificateList. An algorithm identifier consists of an OID and (optionally) associated parameters. This section describes OIDs and parameter encoding for NTRUSign.

Signature algorithms are always used in conjunction with a one-way hash function.

The data to be signed (e.g. the one-way hash function output value) is formatted for the signature algorithm to be used. Then, a private key operation (e.g. NTRUSign signature primitive) is performed to generate the signature value. This signature value is then ASN.1 encoded as a BIT STRING and included in the Certificate or CertificateList in the signature field.

2.1.1 NTRUSign Signature Algorithm

The NTRUSign signature algorithm was invented by Hoffstein, Howgrave-Graham, Piper, Silverman and Whyte. It is defined in Efficient Embedded Security Standard (EESS) #1 [[EES#1](#)]. This profile defines a single signature algorithm, the NTRUSign signature algorithm with the SHA-1, SHA-256, SHA-384 or SHA-512 one-way hash function.

The signature algorithm is implemented using the padding and encoding conventions described in EECS #1 [[EES#1](#)]. The message digest is computed using the SHA-1 Hash Algorithm [[FIPS180-1](#)] or any of the SHA-2 algorithms [[FIPS180-2](#)] and the message digest is encoded using the MGF1 mask generation function as specified in Std IEEE 1363-2000 [[IEEE1363](#)].

Unlike previously defined public-key signature algorithms, the object identifier for the NTRUSign signature algorithm does not specify the hash function. Rather, the parameter field in the AlgorithmIdentifier contains an indication of the hash function as well as the encoding methods that are to be used.

The ASN.1 object identifier used to identify this signature algorithm is named id-ntru-EES1v1-NTRUSign and is given by the following ASN.1:

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```

ntru OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {iso(1) identified-organization(3) dod(6) internet(1)
     private(4) enterprises(1) ntruCryptosystems (8342) }

id-eess1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {ntru eess(1) 1}

id-eess1-algs OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1 1}

id-ntru-EESS1v1-NTRUSign OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-algs 3}

```

When this OID appears in the signatureAlgorithm field or the signature field of an X.509 certificate, the encoding SHALL omit the parameters field. That is, the AlgorithmIdentifier shall be a SEQUENCE of one component: the OBJECT IDENTIFIER id-ntru-EESS1v1-SVSSA.

The NTRUSign parameters in the subjectPublicKeyInfo field of the certificate of the issuer shall apply to the verification of the signature.

When signing, the NTRUSign algorithm generates a signature polynomial. This polynomial SHALL be encoded as an OCTET STRING as described in EESS #1 [EESS#1]. The signature SHALL be ASN.1 encoded using the following ASN.1 structure:

```

NTRUSignSignedData ::= NTRUPublicVector

NTRUPublicVector ::= CHOICE {
    modQVector          [0] IMPLICIT ModQVector,
    packedModQVector    [1] IMPLICIT PackedModQVector,
    ...}

```

ModQVector ::= OCTET STRING

PackedModQVector ::= OCTET STRING

The field choices of type NTRUPublicVector have the following meanings:

modQVector is the representation of the NTRUPublicVector in unpacked form. For a polynomial of degree $N-1$ with coefficients reduced mod q , each of the N bytes of the OCTET STRING represent integers x in the range $0 \leq x < q$ corresponding to the coefficient values of the polynomial from lowest degree to highest.

packedModQVector is the representation of the NTRUPublicVector in packed form. For a polynomial of degree $N-1$ with

coefficients reduced mod q , each $\log_2(q)$ bits of the OCTET
STRING represent integers x in the range $0 \leq x < q$
corresponding to the coefficient values of the polynomial from
lowest degree to highest. The values are concatenated bitwise,

without any intermediate padding, and irrespective of the byte boundaries. If necessary, zero bits are appended to the packed data in order to make the length a multiple of 8 bits.

Implementations that sign certificates using NTRUSign SHOULD encode the signature as a ModQVector.

2.2 Subject Public Key Algorithms

Certificates conforming to [RFC 2459](#) [[RFC2459](#)] may convey a public key for any public key algorithm. The certificate indicates the algorithm through an algorithm identifier. This algorithm identifier consists of an OID and optionally associated parameters.

This section identifies preferred OIDs and parameters for the NTRUEncrypt and NTRUSign algorithms. Conforming CAs MUST use the identified OIDs when issuing certificates containing public keys for these algorithms. Conforming applications supporting any of these algorithms MUST, at a minimum, recognize the OIDs identified in this section.

2.2.1 NTRUEncrypt Keys

This section identifies the preferred OID and parameter encoding for the inclusion of an NTRUEncrypt public key in a certificate. The NTRUEncrypt encryption algorithm is defined in EESS #1 [[EESS#1](#)].

The OID id-ntru-EESS1v1-SVES identifies NTRUEncrypt public keys.

```
id-ntru-EESS1v1-SVES OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-ees1-algs 1}
```

The id-ntru-EESS1v1-SVES OID is intended to be used in the algorithm field of a value of type AlgorithmIdentifier. NTRUEncrypt requires use of certain parameters with the public key. The parameters may be implied by context, implicitly included through reference of a degree, implicitly included through reference of a standard parameter set or explicitly included in the certificate. The parameters associated with id-ntru-EESS1v1-SVES are EESS1v1-SVES-Parameters.

```
EESS1v1-SVES-Parameters ::= CHOICE {
    degree                Degree,
    standardNTRUParameters StandardNTRUParameters,
    explicitNTRUParameters ExplicitNTRUParameters,
    externalParameters    NULL
}
```

When the parameters are implied by context, the parameters field SHALL contain externalParameters, which is a value of the ASN.1 type NULL.

When the parameters are specified by degree, the values are restricted to 251, 347 and 503. For the three permitted choices, the parameters are defined to be ees251ep1, ees347ep1 and ees503ep1

respectively as defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1]. Specifying the degree is the preferred way for transmitting parameter information for the scheme when the parameters are not implied by context.

```
Degree ::= INTEGER (251 | 347 | 503, ...)
```

When the parameters are specified by reference of a standard, the parameters shall consist of an OID chosen from the list NTRUPParameters. The current list of NTRUPParameters OIDs is:

```
StandardNTRUPParameters ::= OIDS.&id({NTRUPParameters})
```

```
NTRUPParameters OIDS ::= {
    { OID id-ees251ep1 }|
    { OID id-ees347ep1 }|
    { OID id-ees503ep1 },
    ...}
```

The above object identifiers are specified by:

```
id-ees1-params OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-ees1 2}

id-ees251ep1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-ees1-params 1}
id-ees347ep1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-ees1-params 2}
id-ees503ep1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-ees1-params 3}
```

When the parameters are explicitly included, they SHALL be encoded in the ASN.1 structure ExplicitNTRUPParameters:

```
ExplicitNTRUPParameters ::= SEQUENCE {
    version          Version,
    degree           INTEGER,
    bigModulus       INTEGER,
    smallModulus     SmallModulus,
    mrgm             NTRUMRGMAgorithmIdentifier,
    db               INTEGER,
    bvgm             NTRUBVGMAgorithmIdentifier,
    ...}
```

```
Version ::= INTEGER { v0(0) } (v0, ...)
```

```
SmallModulus ::= CHOICE {
    integerValue     INTEGER,
    polynomialValue  NTRUGeneralPolynomial
}
```

```
NTRUGeneralPolynomial ::= SEQUENCE {
    numberOfEntries  INTEGER,
    modulus          INTEGER,
    coefficients      GeneralVector
}
```

}

GeneralVector ::= OCTET STRING

The fields of type NTRUGeneralPolynomial have the following meanings:

numberOfEntries is the number of coefficients used to represent the polynomial - this number is equal to the degree of the polynomial plus 1.

modulus is an upper bound on the value of the coefficients.

coefficients is the list of numberOfEntries coefficients, represented in order from lowest degree to highest degree. If modulus < 257, each coefficient is stored in a single byte. If modulus > 256 and modulus < 2^{16} , each coefficient is stored in two bytes.

The fields of type SmallModulus have the following meanings:

integerValue is the value of p if p is an integer.

polynomialValue is the value of p if p is a polynomial.

The fields of type ExplicitNTRUParameters have the following meanings:

version is the version number, for compatibility with future revisions of this document. It SHALL be 0 for this version of the document.

degree is the value N.

bigModulus is the value q. q will be 256 or less.

smallModulus is the value p. It SHALL be represented with the SmallModulus type.

mrqm identifies the message representative generation method using an allowed AlgorithmIdentifier.

db is the size of the random component.

bvqm identifies the blinding value generation method using an allowed AlgorithmIdentifier.

The ASN.1 for the mrqm used in ExplicitNTRUParameters is specified below.

```
NTRUMRGMAgorithmIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEESS1v1MRGMs}}
```

```
NTRUEESS1v1MRGMs ALGORITHM ::= {
```

```
{OID id-mrgm-ntru-1 PARMS NTRUMRGM1-params},  
...}
```

```
id-eess1-encodingMethods OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1 3}
```

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```
id-mrgm-ntru-1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 1}
```

```
NTRUMRGM1-params ::= NTRUHashAlgorithmIdentifier
```

```
NTRUHashAlgorithmIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEESS1v1Hashes}}
```

The identifier id-mrgm-ntru-1 identifies the message representative generation method MRGM-NTRU1, defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1]. The parameters identify the hashing mechanism using an allowed AlgorithmIdentifier.

```
NTRUEESS1v1Hashes ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-sha1      PARMS NULL}|
    {OID id-sha256   PARMS NULL }|
    {OID id-sha384   PARMS NULL }|
    {OID id-sha512   PARMS NULL },
    ...}
```

These identifiers identify the one-way hash algorithms SHA-1 [[FIPS180-1](#)] and SHA-2 [TBD].

The ASN.1 for the bvgm used in ExplicitNTRUParameters is specified below.

```
NTRUBVGMAlgorithmIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEESS1v1BVGMS}}
```

```
NTRUEESS1v1BVGMS ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-bvgm-ntru-1 PARMS NTRUBVGM1-params}|
    {OID id-bvgm-ntru-2 PARMS NTRUBVGM2-params},
    ...}
```

```
id-bvgm-ntru-1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 2}
```

```
NTRUBVGM1-params ::= SEQUENCE {
    c      INTEGER,
    prng   NTRUPRNGAlgorithmIdentifier,
    dr     INTEGER
}
```

```
id-bvgm-ntru-2 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 3}
```

```
NTRUBVGM2-params ::= SEQUENCE {
    c      INTEGER,
    prng   NTRUPRNGAlgorithmIdentifier,
```



```
dr1    INTEGER,  
dr2    INTEGER,  
dr3    INTEGER  
}
```

The identifier `id-bvgm-ntru-1` identifies blinding value generation method BVGM-NTRU1, defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1]. The identifier `id-bvgm-ntru-2` identifies blinding value generation method BVGM-NTRU2, defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1].

The fields of type `NTRUBVGM1-params` have the following meanings:

`c` is the random polynomial generation constant used to select the polynomial `r`.

`prng` identifies the pseudo-random number generation algorithm using an allowed `AlgorithmIdentifier`.

`dr` is the number of 1s in the blinding value `r`.

The fields of type `NTRUBVGM2-params` have the following meanings:

`c` is the random polynomial generation constant used to select the polynomial `r`.

`prng` identifies the pseudo-random number generation algorithm using an allowed `AlgorithmIdentifier`.

`dr1` is the number of 1s in the blinding value component `r1`.

`dr2` is the number of 1s in the blinding value component `r2`.

`dr3` is the number of 1s in the blinding value component `r3`.

The allowed pseudo-random number generation algorithms are defined by:

```
NTRUPRNGAlgorithmIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEESS1v1PRNGs}}
```

```
NTRUEESS1v1PRNGs ALGORITHM ::= {
    NTRUMGFAlgorithms,
    ...}
```

This identifies the pseudo-random number generation algorithm to be used when generating blinding values. The only allowed algorithms are MGF1 (see [IEEE 1363]) using SHA-1 [[FIPS180-1](#)] or SHA-2 [[FIPS180-2](#)].

```
NTRUMGFAlgorithms ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-mgf1 PARMS MGF1Parameters},
    ...}
```

```
pkcs-1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) rsadsi(113549) pkcs(1)
      1}
```

```
id-mgf1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {pkcs-1 8}
```

```
MGF1Parameters ::= AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEESS1v1Hashes}}
```

The NTRUEncrypt public key MUST be encoded using the ASN.1 type NTRUPublicKey.

```
NTRUPublicKey ::= SEQUENCE {
    publicKeyVector      NTRUPublicVector, -- h
    ntruKeyExtensions    NTRUKeyExtensions OPTIONAL
}
```

```
NTRUKeyExtensions ::=
    SEQUENCE SIZE(1..MAX) OF NTRUKeyExtension
```

```
NTRUKeyExtension ::= CHOICE {
    keyID                [0] IMPLICIT INTEGER,
    ...}

```

The fields of the type NTRUPublicKey have the following meanings:

publicKeyVector is the polynomial h . If the NTRUPublicVector is a ModQVector, each coefficient will be represented by one byte starting with the lowest degree and going to the highest. If the NTRUPublicVector is a PackedModQVector, this is the OCTET STRING representing h obtained using RE2BSP and then BS2OSP as defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1]. All coefficients up to $X^{(N-1)}$ SHALL be explicitly included in publicKeyVector. Representing the NTRUEncrypt public key as a ModQVector is the preferred method.

ntruKeyExtensions is provided for future extensibility. Only one extension is currently defined.

The fields of the type NTRUKeyExtension have the following meanings:

keyID can be used to associate a unique key identifier with the key.

If the keyUsage extension is present in an end entity certificate that conveys an NTRUEncrypt public key, any combination of the following values MAY be present:

```
keyEncipherment;
dataEncipherment;
```

If the keyUsage extension is present in a CA certificate that conveys an NTRUEncrypt public key, any combination of the following values MAY be present:

keyEncipherment; and
dataEncipherment.

2.2.2 NTRUSign Keys

This section identifies the preferred OID and parameter encoding for the inclusion of an NTRUSign public key in a certificate. The NTRUSign signature algorithm is defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1].

The OID id-ntru-EESS1v1-SVSSA identifies NTRUSign public keys.

```
id-ntru-EESS1v1-NTRUSign OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-ees1-algs 3}
```

The id-ntru-EESS1v1-NTRUSign OID is intended to be used in the algorithm field of a value of type AlgorithmIdentifier. NTRUSign requires use of certain parameters with the public key. The parameters may be implied by context (e.g. they may be inherited from the issuer), implicitly included through reference of a degree, implicitly included through reference of a standard parameter set or explicitly included in the certificate. The parameters associated with id-ntru-EESS1v1-NTRUSign are EESS1v1-NTRUSign-Parameters.

```
EESS1v1-NTRUSign-Parameters ::= CHOICE {
    degree                Degree,
    standardNTRUSignParameters
                        StandardNTRUSignParameters,
    explicitNTRUSignParameters
                        ExplicitNTRUSignParameters,
    externalParameters    NULL
}
```

When the parameters are implied by context, the parameters field SHALL contain externalParameters, which is the ASN.1 value NULL.

When the parameters are specified by degree, the value is restricted to 251. For the permitted choice, the parameters are defined to be ees251sp2 as defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1]. Specifying the degree is the preferred way for transmitting parameter information for the scheme when the parameters are not implied by context.

When the parameters are specified by reference of a standard, the parameters shall consist of an OID chosen from the list NTRUSignParameters. The current list of NTRUSignParameters OIDs is:

```
StandardNTRUSignParameters ::= OIDS.&id({NTRUSignParameters})

NTRUSignParameters OIDS ::= {
    { OID id-ees251sp2 },
    ...}
```

The above object identifier is specified by:

id-ees251sp2 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1-params 7}

When the parameters are explicitly included, they SHALL be encoded in the ASN.1 structure ExplicitNTRUSignParameters:

```

ExplicitNTRUSignParameters ::= SEQUENCE {
    version                Version,
    degree                 INTEGER,
    bigModulus             INTEGER,
    normBound              INTEGER,
    messageRandLength      INTEGER,
    hash                   NTRUSignHashAlgIdentifier,
    mrgm                   NTRUSignMRGMAlgIdentifier,
    ...}

```

The fields of type ExplicitNTRUSignParameters have the following meanings:

version is the version number, for compatibility with future revisions of this document. It SHALL be 0 for this version of the document.

degree is the value N .

bigModulus is the value q . q will be 256 or less.

normBound is the maximum norm of the signature

messageRandLength is the length of the randomization padding appended to the message digest before generating the message representative

hash identifies the hash algorithm used using an allowed AlgorithmIdentifier.

mrgm identifies the message representative generation method using an allowed AlgorithmIdentifier.

The AlgorithmIdentifiers for the field hash of ExplicitNTRUSignParameters are chosen from the set NTRUESS1v1Hashes, which is defined in [section 2.2.1](#).

```

NTRUSignHashAlgIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUESS1v1Hashes}}

```

The AlgorithmIdentifiers for the field mrgm of ExplicitNTRUSignParameters are specified below.

```

NTRUSignMRGMAlgIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUSignEES1v1MRGMs}}

```

```

NTRUSignEES1v1MRGMs ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-mrgm-ntrusign-1 PARMS NTRUSignMRGM1-params}|

```



```
{OID id-mrgm-ntrusign-2 PARMS NTRUSignMRGM2-params},  
...}
```

```
id-mrgm-ntrusign-1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
```

```
{id-eess1-encodingMethods 6}
```

```
NTRUSignMRGM1-params ::= NTRUSignPRNGAlgIdentifier
```

```
id-mrgm-ntrusign-2 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 7}
```

```
NTRUSignMRGM2-params ::= SEQUENCE {
    c                INTEGER,
    numGroups        INTEGER,
    numElements      INTEGER,
    prng             NTRUSignPRNGAlgIdentifier
}
```

```
NTRUSignPRNGAlgIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEESS1v1PRNGs}}
```

The identifier `id-mrgm-ntrusign-2` identifies the message representative generation method MRGM-NTRUSign1, defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1]. The identifier `id-mrgm-ntrusign-2` identifies the message representative generation method MRGM-NTRUSign2, defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1].

The fields of type `NTRUSignMRGM1-params` have the following meanings:

`NTRUSignPRNGAlgIdentifier` is the pseudo-random number generation method using an allowed `AlgorithmIdentifier`

The fields of type `NTRUSignMRGM2-params` have the following meanings:

`c` is the random polynomial generation constant used to select the message representative.

`numGroups` is the number of factors combined to form the message representative.

`numElements` is the number of non-zero coefficients in each factor of the message representative

`prng` identifies the pseudo-random number generation method using an allowed `AlgorithmIdentifier`.

The allowed pseudo-random number generation algorithms are chosen from the set `NTRUEESS1v1PRNGs`, which is defined in [section 2.2.1](#).

The `NTRUSign` public key MUST be encoded using the ASN.1 type `NTRUSignPublicKey`.

```
NTRUSignPublicKey ::= SEQUENCE {
    publicKeyVector      NTRUPublicVector, -- h
```

```
    ntruSignKeyExtensions  NTRUSignKeyExtensions OPTIONAL
  }
```

```
NTRUSignKeyExtensions ::=
```

SEQUENCE SIZE(1..MAX) OF NTRUSignKeyExtension

```
NTRUSignKeyExtension ::= CHOICE {
    keyID          [0] IMPLICIT INTEGER,
    ...}
```

The fields of the type NTRUSignPublicKey have the following meanings:

publicKeyVector is the polynomial h . If the NTRUPublicVector is a ModQVector, each coefficient will be represented by one byte starting with the lowest degree and going to the highest. If the NTRUPublicVector is a PackedModQVector, this is the OCTET STRING representing h obtained using RE2BSP and then BS2OSP as defined in EESS #1 [EESS#1]. All coefficients up to $X^{(N-1)}$ SHALL be explicitly included in publicKeyVector. Representing the NTRUSign public key as a ModQVector is the preferred method.

ntruSignKeyExternsions is provided for future extensibility. Only one extension is currently defined.

The fields of the type NTRUSignKeyExtension have the following meanings:

keyID can be used to associate a unique key identifier with the key.

If the keyUsage extension is present in an end entity certificate that conveys an NTRUSign public key, any combination of the following values MAY be present:

```
digitalSignature;
nonRepudiation;
```

If the keyUsage extension is present in a CA certificate that conveys an NTRUSign public key, any combination of the following values MAY be present:

```
digitalSignature;
nonRepudiation;
keyCertSign; and
cRLSign.
```

3. ASN.1 Module

```
PKIXAlgorithmOIDTBD -- {TBD} --
```

```
DEFINITIONS EXPLICIT TAGS ::= BEGIN
```

-- EXPORTS ALL; --

-- IMPORTS None; --

-- Supporting definitions

```
AlgorithmIdentifier { ALGORITHM: IOSet } ::= SEQUENCE {  
    algorithm      ALGORITHM.&id({IOSet}),  
    parameters     ALGORITHM.&Type({IOSet}{@algorithm})  
                  OPTIONAL  
}
```

```
ALGORITHM ::= CLASS {  
    &id      OBJECT IDENTIFIER  UNIQUE,  
    &Type    OPTIONAL  
}  
WITH SYNTAX { OID &id [PARMS &Type] }
```

```
OIDS ::= ALGORITHM
```

-- Informational object identifiers

```
pkcs-1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=  
    {iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) rsadsi(113549) pkcs(1)  
    1}
```

```
id-mgf1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {pkcs-1 8}
```

```
id-sha1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=  
    {iso(1) identified-organization(3) oiw(14) secsig(3)  
    algorithms(2) 26}
```

```
id-sha256 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=  
    {joint-iso-itu-t(2) country(16) us(840) organization(1)  
    gov(101) csor(3) nistalgorithm(4) hashalgs(2) 1}
```

```
id-sha384 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=  
    {joint-iso-itu-t(2) country(16) us(840) organization(1)  
    gov(101) csor(3) nistalgorithm(4) hashalgs(2) 2}
```

```
id-sha512 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=  
{joint-iso-itu-t(2) country(16) us(840) organization(1) gov(101)  
csor(3) nistalgorithm(4) hashalgs(2) 3}
```

-- NTRU Object Identifiers

```
ntru OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=  
    {iso(1) identified-organization(3) dod(6) internet(1)  
    private(4) enterprises(1) ntruCryptosystems (8342) }
```

```
id-eess1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {ntru eess(1) 1}
```

```
id-eess1-algs OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1 1}
```

```
id-eess1-params OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1 2}
```

```
id-eess1-encodingMethods OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1 3}
-- OID for NTRUSign Algorithm and Public Key
```

```
id-ntru-EESS1v1-NTRUSign OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-algs 3}

-- OID for NTRUSign Parameter Set

id-ees251sp2 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1-params 7}

-- OIDs for NTRUSign Encoding Methods

id-mrgm-ntrusign-1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 6}

id-mrgm-ntrusign-2 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 7}

-- OID for NTRUEncrypt Algorithm and Public Key

id-ntru-EESS1v1-SVES OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-algs 1}

-- OIDs for NTRUEncrypt Parameter Sets

id-ees251ep1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1-params 1}
id-ees347ep1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1-params 2}
id-ees503ep1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {id-eess1-params 3}

-- OIDs for NTRUEncrypt Encoding Methods

id-mrgm-ntru-1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 1}

id-bvgm-ntru-1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 2}

id-bvgm-ntru-2 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::=
    {id-eess1-encodingMethods 3}

-- General Types

NTRUPublicVector ::= CHOICE {
    modQVector          [0] IMPLICIT ModQVector,
    packedModQVector    [1] IMPLICIT PackedModQVector,
    ...}

ModQVector ::= OCTET STRING

PackedModQVector ::= OCTET STRING

NTRUGeneralPolynomial ::= SEQUENCE {
    numberOfEntries      INTEGER,
```



```
modulus          INTEGER,  
coefficients     GeneralVector  
}
```

```

GeneralVector ::= OCTET STRING

SmallModulus ::= CHOICE {
    integerValue    INTEGER,
    polynomialValue NTRUGeneralPolynomial
}

Degree ::= INTEGER (251 | 347 | 503, ...)

Version ::= INTEGER { v0(0) } (v0, ...)

NTRUEESS1v1Hashes ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-sha1    PARMS NULL}|
    {OID id-sha256  PARMS NULL }|
    {OID id-sha384  PARMS NULL }|
    {OID id-sha512  PARMS NULL },
    ...}

NTRUEESS1v1PRNGs ALGORITHM ::= {
    NTRUMGFAlgorithms,
    ...}

NTRUMGFAlgorithms ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-mgf1 PARMS MGF1Parameters},
    ...}

    MGF1Parameters ::= AlgorithmIdentifier
    {{NTRUEESS1v1Hashes}}

-- Encoding for NTRUSign Signatures

NTRUSignSignedData ::= NTRUPublicVector

-- Encoding for NTRUSign Public Keys

NTRUSignPublicKey ::= SEQUENCE {
    publicKeyVector      NTRUPublicVector, -- h
    ntruSignKeyExtensions NTRUSignKeyExtensions OPTIONAL
}

NTRUSignKeyExtensions ::=
    SEQUENCE SIZE(1..MAX) OF NTRUSignKeyExtension

NTRUSignKeyExtension ::= CHOICE {
    keyID                [0] IMPLICIT INTEGER,
    ...}

EES1v1-NTRUSign-Parameters ::= CHOICE {
    degree                Degree,
    standardNTRUSignParameters
}

```

```
StandardNTRUSignParameters,  
explicitNTRUSignParameters  
ExplicitNTRUSignParameters,  
externalParameters    NULL
```

```

    }

```

```

StandardNTRUSignParameters ::= OIDS.&id({NTRUSignParameters})

```

```

NTRUSignParameters OIDS ::= {
    { OID id-ees251sp2 },
    ...}

```

```

ExplicitNTRUSignParameters ::= SEQUENCE {
    version                Version,
    degree                 INTEGER,
    bigModulus             INTEGER,
    normBound              INTEGER,
    messageRandLength      INTEGER,
    hash                   NTRUSignHashAlgIdentifier,
    mrgm                   NTRUSignMRGMAlgIdentifier,
    ...}

```

```

NTRUSignHashAlgIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEES1v1Hashes}}

```

```

NTRUSignMRGMAlgIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUSignEES1v1MRGMs}}

```

```

NTRUSignEES1v1MRGMs ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-mrgm-ntrusign-1 PARMS NTRUSignMRGM1-params}|
    {OID id-mrgm-ntrusign-2 PARMS NTRUSignMRGM2-params},
    ...}

```

```

NTRUSignMRGM1-params ::= NTRUSignPRNGAlgIdentifier

```

```

NTRUSignMRGM2-params ::= SEQUENCE {
    c                INTEGER,
    numGroups        INTEGER,
    numElements      INTEGER,
    prng             NTRUSignPRNGAlgIdentifier
}

```

```

NTRUSignPRNGAlgIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEES1v1PRNGs}}

```

```

-- Encoding for NTRUEncrypt Public Keys

```

```

NTRUPublicKey ::= SEQUENCE {
    publicKeyVector      NTRUPublicVector, -- h
    ntruKeyExtensions    NTRUKeyExtensions OPTIONAL
}

```

```

NTRUKeyExtensions ::=
    SEQUENCE SIZE(1..MAX) OF NTRUKeyExtension

```

```
NTRUKeyExtension ::= CHOICE {  
    keyID          [0] IMPLICIT INTEGER,  
    ...}
```

```

EES1v1-SVES-Parameters ::= CHOICE {
    degree                Degree,
    standardNTRUPParameters StandardNTRUPParameters,
    explicitNTRUPParameters ExplicitNTRUPParameters,
    externalParameters    NULL
}

StandardNTRUPParameters ::= OIDS.&id({NTRUPParameters})

NTRUPParameters OIDS ::= {
    { OID id-ees251ep1 }|
    { OID id-ees347ep1 }|
    { OID id-ees503ep1 },
    ...}

ExplicitNTRUPParameters ::= SEQUENCE {
    version                Version,
    degree                 INTEGER,
    bigModulus             INTEGER,
    smallModulus           SmallModulus,
    mrgm                   NTRUMRGMAAlgorithmIdentifier,
    db                     INTEGER,
    bvgm                   NTRUBVGMAAlgorithmIdentifier,
    ...}

NTRUMRGMAAlgorithmIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEES1v1MRGMs}}

NTRUBVGMAAlgorithmIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEES1v1BVGMS}}

NTRUEES1v1MRGMs ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-mrgm-ntru-1 PARMS NTRUMRGM1-params},
    ...}

NTRUMRGM1-params ::= NTRUHashAlgorithmIdentifier

NTRUHashAlgorithmIdentifier ::=
    AlgorithmIdentifier {{NTRUEES1v1Hashes}}

NTRUEES1v1BVGMS ALGORITHM ::= {
    {OID id-bvgm-ntru-1 PARMS NTRUBVGM1-params}|
    {OID id-bvgm-ntru-2 PARMS NTRUBVGM2-params},
    ...}

NTRUBVGM1-params ::= SEQUENCE {
    c                INTEGER,
    prng             NTRUPRNGAlgorithmIdentifier,
    dr               INTEGER

```

}

NTRUBVGM2-params ::= SEQUENCE {
 c INTEGER,

```
prng      NTRUPRNGAlgorithmIdentifier,  
dr1       INTEGER,  
dr2       INTEGER,  
dr3       INTEGER  
}
```

```
NTRUPRNGAlgorithmIdentifier ::= AlgorithmIdentifier  
                               {{NTRUESS1v1PRNGs}}
```

```
END -- PKIXAlgorithmOIDTBD --
```

4. Security Considerations

This document is entirely concerned with security mechanisms. It is based on the Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure Certificate and CRL Profile [[RFC 2459](#)], IEEE P1363.1 [[P1363.1](#)] and EESS #1 [EES#1] and the appropriate security considerations from those documents apply.

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