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Abstract

This document provides an overview of enrollment or imprinting mechanisms in current IETF protocols.

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**1. Introduction**

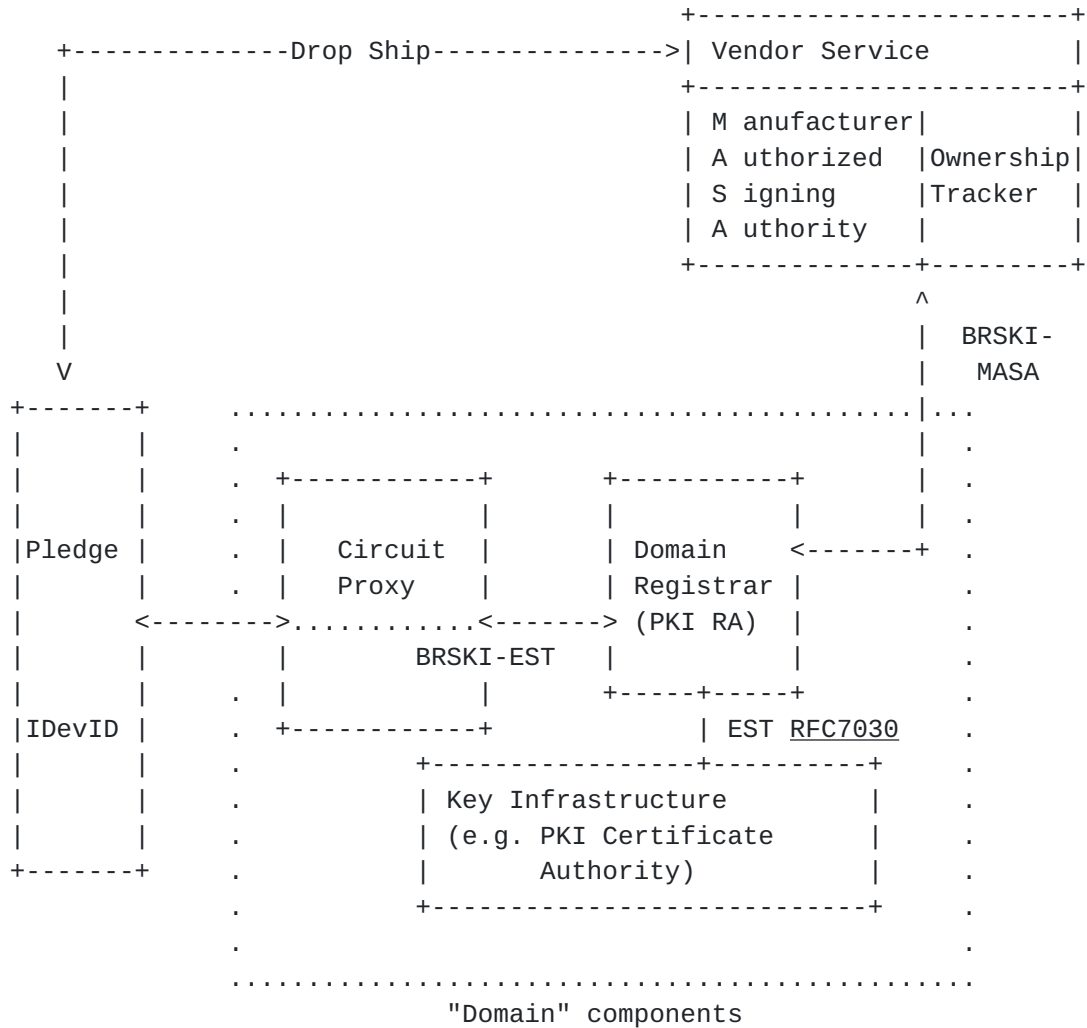
There are numerous mechanisms being proposed to solve the problem of securely introducing a new devices into an existing managed network.

This document provides an overview of the different mechanisms showing what technologies are common. The document starts with a diagram showing the various components and how they go together to form five enrollment scenarios.



### 2. Components of enrollment solutions

This diagram is taken from [I-D.ietf-anima-bootstrapping-keyinfra], which is where this work started.



Five major components are described:

1. pledge: The node that is attempting to enroll.
2. proxy: A node that is within one layer-2 hop of the pledge that is helping.
3. domain registrar: the Join Registrar/Coordinator (JRC) that will determine eligibility of the pledge.
4. MASA: the representative of the manufacturer that has a pre-established trust relationship with the pledge.



5. the domain PKI (if any)

**3. Map of Enrollment solution**



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## **4. Components**

### **4.1. generic voucher semantics**

The abstract semantics of the voucher, described in YANG, are in [[I-D.ietf-anima-voucher](#)].

### **4.2. constrained voucher**

The semantics of the constrained voucher, represented in CBOR, are described in [[I-D.richardson-anima-ace-constrained-voucher](#)].

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### **4.3. JSON format voucher**

The semantics of the basic voucher, represented in JSON, are described in [[I-D.ietf-anima-voucher](#)].

### **4.4. COSE-8152**

In constrained systems the voucher is signed using the COSE mechanism described in [[RFC8152](#)].

### **4.5. standard signature (CMS)**

In un-constrained systems the voucher is signed using the Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS) described in [[RFC5652](#)].

### **4.6. EDHOC**

On constrained and challenged networks, the session key management can be formed by [[I-D.selander-ace-cose-ecdhe](#)].

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The CoAP-EST layer on top is described by [[I-D.vanderstok-ace-coap-est](#)]

### **4.7. EST-COAPS 2/DTLS sec(urity)**

On unconstrained networks, the session key management is provided by [[RFC6347](#)]. The CoAP-EST layer on top is described by [[I-D.vanderstok-ace-coap-est](#)].

The ACE WG has agreed to adopt this document.



#### **4.8. EST-HTTPS TLS sec(urity)**

On unconstrained networks with unconstrained nodes, the EST layer and session key management is described by [RFC7030] as modified by [I-D.ietf-anima-bootstrapping-keyinfra] (BRSKI).

#### **4.9. constrained object security (OSCORE)**

On constained networks with constrained nodes, the CoAP transactions are secured by [I-D.ietf-core-object-security] using symmetric keys. The symmetric key may be pre-shared (for 6tisch minimal security), or MAY be derived using EDHOC.

#### **4.10. Pledge traffic proxy mechanisms**

Traffic between the Pledge and the JRC does not flow directly as the pledge does not typically have a globally reachable address, nor does it have any network access keys (whether WEP, WPA, 802.1x, or 802.15.4 keys).

Communication between the pledge and JRC is mediated by a proxy. This is primarily to protect the network against attacks. The proxy mechanism is provided by as many nodes as can afford to as a benefit to the network, and therefore MUST be as light weight as possible. There are therefore stateless mechanisms and stateful mechanisms. The costs of the various methods is analyzed in [I-D.richardson-anima-state-for-joinrouter].

##### **4.10.1. COAP proxy, stateless**

The CoAP proxy mechanism uses the OSCORE Context Hint to statelessly store the address of the proxy within the CoAP structure. It is described in [I-D.ietf-6tisch-minimal-security].

#### **4.11. DTLS proxy**

There has been no specific DTLS specific stateless proxy described, although the mechanism described by the Thread Group is being considered, if it can be referenced easily.

#### **4.12. IPIP proxy, stateless**

An IPIP proxy mechanism uses a layer of IP-in-IP header (protocol 98) to encapsulate the traffic between Join Proxy and JRC. It has some complexities to implement on typical POSIX platforms. It is intended to be described in [I-D.ietf-6tisch-dtsecurity-zerotouch-join], in an Appendix. Another home for the text is also desired.



#### **4.13. circuit proxy stateful**

The circuit proxy method utilizes either an application layer gateway (which in canonical 1990-era implementation requires a process per connection), or the use of NAT66. It maintains some state for each connection whether TCP or UDP.

It is this most expensive and most easily abused, but also the most widely available, code-wise.

#### **5. call-home ssh/tls/usbkey**

The NETCONF call-home mechanism assumes that the device can get basic connectivity, enough for an out "outgoing" TCP connection to the manufacturer.

#### **6. manufacturer authorized signing authority (MASA)**

The MASA is the manufacturers anchor of the manufacturer/pledge trust relationship that is established at the factory where the pledge is built.

#### **7. Enrollment Mechanisms**

##### **7.1. NETCONF**

The NETCONF WG is describing this in [[I-D.ietf-netconf-zerotouch](#)] document.

##### **7.2. BRSKI**

The ANIMA WG is describing this in [[I-D.ietf-anima-bootstrapping-keyinfra](#)] document.

##### **7.3. Transition to Constrained Bootstrap**

The bulk of this work has no home as yet. It is distinguished from BRSKI in that it uses DTLS (rather than TLS) and constrained (CBOR) vouchers.

It is distinguished from 6tisch Zero Touch in that uses CMS to sign rather than COSE.

The ACE WG is going to adopt [[I-D.vanderstok-ace-coap-est](#)].



#### **7.4. 6tisch Zero Touch**

The 6tisch WG is describing this in [I-D.ietf-6tisch-dtsecurity-zerotouch-join] document.

#### **7.5. 6tisch minimal security**

The 6tisch WG is describing this in [I-D.ietf-6tisch-minimal-security] document. This mechanism does enrollment in a single request/response message, but requires at least one "touch" to pre-share symmetric keys.

All other methods are considered zero "touch".

### **8. Security Considerations**

This document includes a tradeoff of the security attributes of the different protocols, and so the entire document contains security advice.

### **9. IANA Considerations**

This document does not define any new protocols, and therefore does not have any IANA Considerations.

### **10. Acknowledgements**

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