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# Roughtime

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# Motivation

Protocol	Authenticated Server	Server Malfeasance
NTP, Chronos	No	No
NTO-MD5	Yes*	No
NTP-Autokey	Yes*	No
NTS	Yes	No
RoughTime	Yes	Yes

\* has serious known issues

# What is Roughtime?

Protocol that:

- achieves “rough” time synchronization
- detects servers that provide inaccurate time
- Provides cryptographic proof of their malfeasance

# Applications

many applications that do not necessarily require highly accurate and precise time information

- certificate verification
- delegated credentials lifetime
- IoT devices
- TOR service directory

# Issue1: Time scale?

Currently in draft:

- MIDP - number of microseconds since the Unix epoch.
- RADI - server's estimate of the accuracy of MIDP at the time they compose the response packet.
- LEAP - TAI-UTC offset at MIDP

# Trust anchors & policies

Need trust anchor that can

- maintain and distribute list of trusted servers
- enforce appropriate policies

**Questions & way forward?**