

# SUIT Manifest

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# Changes from v11

- Examples contained two errors:
  - Manifest digest was present in COSE objects
  - One digest

# Delete component (Request from TEEP)

- Delete can be problematic as an imperative:
  - If permissions are wrong, could break dependencies
  - Who actually has authority to delete a TC?
  - Might not really mean “delete”:
    - what if two TAs depend on the same component and one deletes it?
  - Might already have been deleted
  - May break atomic nature of updates
    - Especially if used & deleted in same manifest
- Maybe Unlink or Garbage-Collect would be a better idiom

# Garbage-Collect Component

- Marks a component as unused by the current manifest tree
- Manifest Processor applies marks the component
  - E.g. decrement a reference count
- Once the current section is complete, manifest processor checks for marked components that can be deleted.

# Encryption in SUIT

# Firmware Encryption

## AES 128 Key Wrap (KW)

- AES KW described in RFC 3394
- Symmetric *Key Encryption Key (KEK)* is used to encrypt a randomly generated *Content Encryption Key (CEK)*.

## ECDH Ephemeral-Static + AES KW

- Sender creates an ephemeral ECDH key pair (E-Pub/E-Priv).
- Sender uses the receiver's static public key (S-Pub) with the private key (E-Priv) to derive a symmetric key (ECDH-Shared)
- Sender applies HKDF on ECDH-Shared to produce KEK
- Sender generates a random CEK
- Sender encrypts the CEK with KEK.

AES 128 KW in COSE

```
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```

```
[
```

```
h'A10101',  
{  
    5: h'26682306D4FB28CA01B43B80'  
},  
null,
```

```
[  
    h'',  
    {  
        1: -3,  
        4: h'6B69642D31'  
    },  
    h'2AD7307BCB5EBDDD...4669D4DF13F46945'  
]
```

```
]
```

```
)
```

```
// COSE ENCRYPT
```

```
// protected field with alg=AES-GCM-128
```

```
// unprotected field with...
```

```
//     iv
```

```
// detached ciphertext
```

```
// recipients array
```

```
// empty protected field
```

```
// unprotected field with...
```

```
//     alg=AES-128-KW
```

```
//     kid
```

```
// CEK encrypted with KEK
```



# Notes on AES 128 KW

- Additional Data Structure needs clarifications:

```
Enc_structure = [  
  context : "Encrypt",  
  protected : empty_or_serialized_map,  
  external_aad : bstr  
]
```

- Protected refers to outer protected field – not inner.
- Suggestion: external\_aad = null

ECDH Ephemeral-Static + AES KW in COSE

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```
h'A10101',  
{  
    5: h'26682306D4FB28CA01B43B80'  
},  
null,
```

[

```
h'',  
{  
    1: -3  
},  
h'FA55A50CF110908DA6443149F2C2062011A7D8333A72721A',
```

[

```
h'A1013818',  
{  
    -1: h'A4010220012158205F...979D5168718766510C445',  
    4: h'6B69642D31'  
},  
null
```

]

]

]

)

// COSE ENCRYPT

// protected field with alg=AES-GCM-128

// unprotected field with...

// iv

// detached ciphertext

// recipients array

// empty protected field

// unprotected field with ...

// alg=AES-128-KW

// CEK encrypted with KEK

// recipients array

// protected field with alg=ECDH-ES + HKDF-256

// unprotected field with ...

// ephemeral structure

// kid

// empty ciphertext

# Ephemeral

- The ephemeral structure contains the public ECDHE key + meta-data:

```
{  
  1: 2,                // key type (kty) parameter → EC2  
  -1: 1,               // curve identifier (crv) parameter → P-256  
  -2: h'5FA28AA979D51E570E621C69F3C57C76608B21EECF2696629E65A0B4772A1174', // x  
  -3: h'60F29EA947048EFECA06F6DBEDF185CA559B181DE9EB6D80E68718766510C445' // y  
}
```

# The “Context”

```
PartyInfo = (  
    identity : bstr / nil,  
    nonce : bstr / int / nil,  
    other : bstr / nil  
)  
  
COSE_KDF_Context = [  
    AlgorithmID : int / tstr,  
    PartyUInfo : [ PartyInfo ],  
    PartyVInfo : [ PartyInfo ],  
    SuppPubInfo : [  
        keyDataLength : uint,  
        protected : empty_or_serialized_map,  
        ? other : bstr  
    ],  
    ? SuppPrivInfo : bstr  
]
```

KEK = HKDF(ECDH-Shared, context)

encryptedCEK = KeyWrap(KEK, CEK)

- PartyUInfo.Identity => ?
- PartyVInfo.Identity => kid
- Nonce => Always nil
- SuppPubInfo
  - Protected, AlgorithmID and keyDataLength => algorithm used to encrypt the CEK (?)
- No other (?)
- SuppPrivInfo => null

# General Recommendations

- Only use Encrypt structure
- Specify a small set of mechanisms in detail for interoperability and to limit code size. More key exchange techniques can be added later.
- Use only detached mode for ciphertext.
- Q: Does the same description also apply to encryption of the manifest?

# Next Steps

- Create a PR to add examples and text.
- Need someone to verify the content.
- Describe example(s) for multiple recipients.
- Mcuboot uses (some) Elliptic Curve Integrated Encryption Scheme (ECIES)
  - Planning to specify hybrid public key encryption based on draft-irtf-cfrg-hpke.
  - Looks less complicated than the currently specified COSE public key encryption techniques.
  - Probably a better story long-term.