

What's new in draft-ietf-ppm-dap-01

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Implementation status

- Implementations of [draft-ietf-ppm-dap-01](#) are available on GitHub:
 - [Daphne](#), server, Rust
 - [Janus](#), server, Rust
 - [divviup-ts](#), client, TypeScript
- draft-ietf-ppm-dap-01 depends on [draft-irtf-cfrg-vdaf-02](#)
 - Rust implementation of vdaf-01 in [libprio-rs](#) / [crate prio](#)
 - Crate prio still needs a Poplar1 implementation to fully implement vdaf-02
- Interop testing between Daphne and Janus is underway
- Working on designing a DapInteropRunner inspired by [QuicInteropRunner](#)

Coarse-grained report timestamps

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```
struct {  
    // Seconds since epoch  
  
    Time time;  
    uint64 rand;  
} Nonce;
```

draft-01

```
struct {  
    // Seconds since epoch  
    // rounded down to  
    // min_batch_duration  
    Time time;  
    uint8 rand[16];  
} Nonce;
```

- Nonces must be unique for anti-replay and timestamped for inclusion in a batch interval
- High resolution `time` leaks information about client
- Rounding down the timestamp and widening random component protects privacy while meeting nonce requirements
- Issue [#274](#) / PR [#281](#) - Thanks to Shan Wang for the great idea!

Aggregation jobs

- Aggregation sub-protocol coordinates *preparation* of each *input share* into an *output share*
- Multiple rounds of stateful communication (2-3, depends on VDAF)
- Preparation means evaluating proofs, possibly transforming inputs somehow

```
struct {  
    TaskID task_id;  
    AggregationJobID job_id;  
    opaque agg_param<0..216-1>;  
    ReportShare report_shares<1..216-1>;  
} AggregateInitializeReq;
```

- Leader creates mapping of one *aggregation job ID* to many report shares
- Several aggregation jobs may be required to prepare all reports in a batch

Aggregation jobs

- Helper uses job ID to index into its storage to fetch state
- Many helpers can work in parallel provided they share storage
- Job IDs are not secret and don't need anti-replay protections
- Issue [#185](#) / PR [#232](#)

Inter-aggregator authentication

- In aggregate sub-protocol, leader is client to helper HTTP server
- This channel must be mutually authenticated
- [PR #328](#) mandates that leader set a `DAP-Auth-Token` header in its requests with a pre-negotiated secret as the value
- Sufficient for current deployments but:
 - Requires a shared secret between protocol participants
 - Precludes numerous existing authn/authz mechanisms for HTTP APIs

Survey of channel security in draft-ietf-ppm-dap-01

Interaction	Design requirement	Specified mechanism
Client \Rightarrow aggregator	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Confidentiality2. Server authentication3. Optional client auth	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. HPKE encryption to each aggregator2. HPKE config fetched over TLS3. Out-of-scope
Leader \Leftrightarrow Helper	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Confidentiality2. Mutual authentication	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. TLS?2. Pre-negotiated bearer token (for now) and server TLS certificate
Collector \Leftrightarrow Leader	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Confidentiality2. Mutual authentication	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. TLS, HPKE encryption of aggregate share2. Pre-negotiated bearer token (for now) and server TLS certificate
Collector \Leftrightarrow Helper	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Confidentiality2. Mutual authentication	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. TLS, HPKE encryption of aggregate share2. Nothing (yet; mutual HPKE?)

What should DAP say about request authentication?

- Straw man: say *nothing*. Stipulate requirements, not solutions.
- DAP is built on HTTP, thus it can rely on existing mechanisms and implementations for:
 - Caching
 - Error handling
 - Authentication
- DAP should aim for composability with existing HTTP authn schemes:
 - AWS request signatures
 - OAuth 2
 - TLS client certificates
- HPKE is used only where we tunnel a secure channel through another participant

Some goals for draft-item-ppm-dap-02

- Rewrite DAP HTTP API to be resource-oriented
 - e.g., replace `POST [aggregator]/upload` with `PUT [aggregator]/tasks/<task_id>/reports/<report_id>`
- Align with [BCP 56](#), [BCP 190](#) guidance where reasonable
 - Better use of HTTP semantics
 - Extend `hpke_config` into an [ACME style API directory](#)?
- Revisit request authentication design requirements and prescriptions
- Looking forward to hashing out these ideas in the working group!