

RATS Message Wrappers

draft-ftbs-rats-msg-wrap-02

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Why and What

One may want to tunnel RATS “conceptual” messages (CM) through another protocol (X.509, TLS, a ReST API)

And do so in such a way that the intermediate nodes (e.g., a RP) only need to understand the high-level bits, ignoring any details. (Typically, to assist negotiation and correct forwarding without requiring tight coupling)

→ CMW provides a *uniform* encapsulation format for RATS CM based on media types (and CBOR tags)

Example Use Cases

Stashing evidence, endorsements/ref-vals and attestation results in certs, CSRs and CRLs extensions [DICE]

Embedding attestation results or evidence as first class authentication credentials in TLS handshake messages [TLS-A]

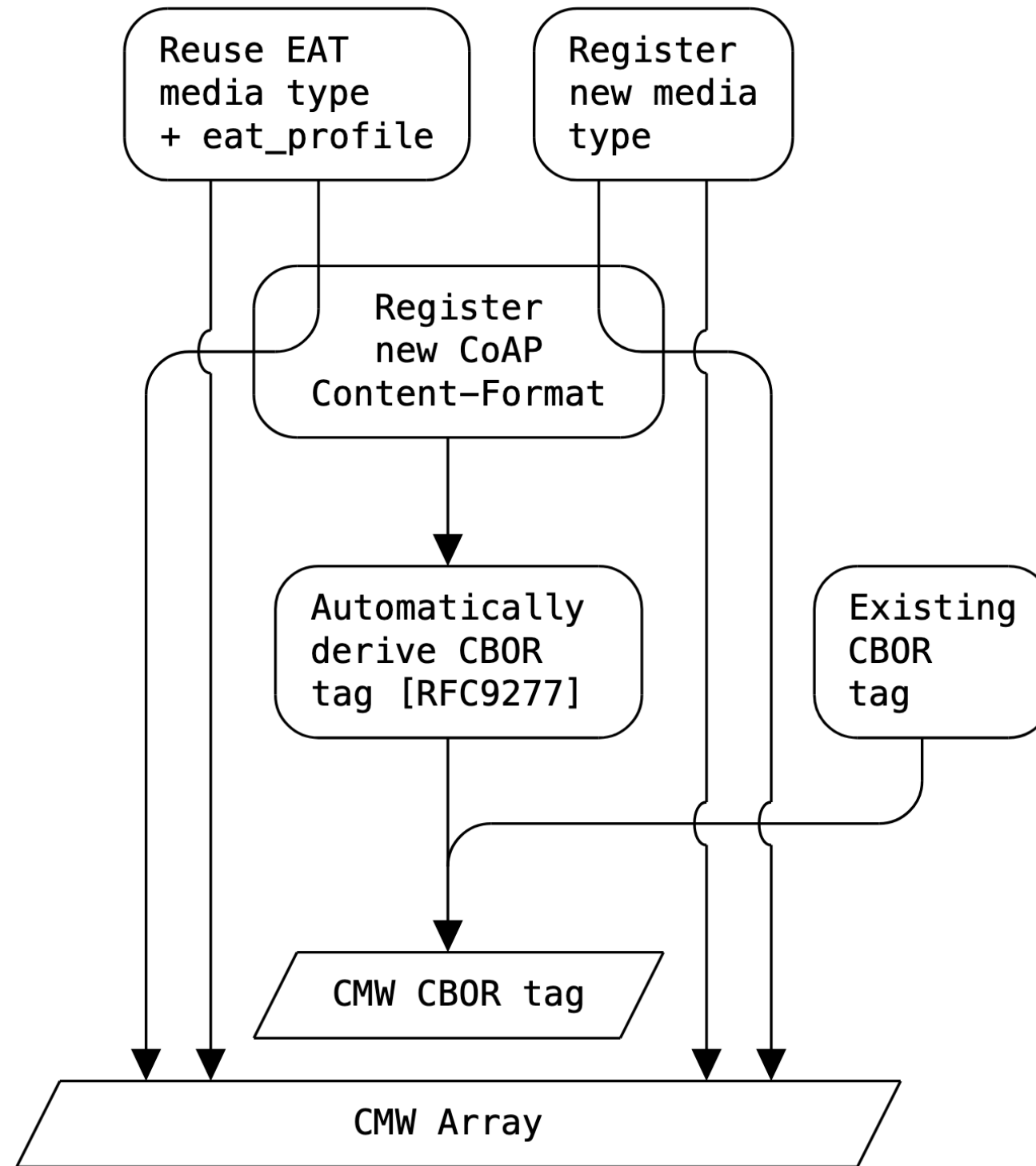
Transporting attestation-related messages in RESTful APIs payloads [Veraison's EvidenceBlobs]

Archival of attestation results as file system objects

Advantages

Converging on a common format

- Allows multiple different protocols to tunnel attestation data in a homogeneous way eases
 - consumption by RPs and Verifiers
 - composition across different protocols boundaries (no need to encap-decap-encap)
- (by-product) interfaces / API to Attesting Environments can become more uniform



Since London

Editorial

-02 published

- Address comments and incorporate suggestion and fixes from Carl and Carsten, including:
 - add examples in CBOR "pretty" format (annotated hex)
 - re-use RFC9193 terminology (e.g., "Content-Type", "Media-Type-Name")
 - ditto for the Content-Type ABNF
 - using a shiny new CDDL feature (non-literal tag numbers) to express CBOR tag ranges

Editorial (cont.)

Work in progress

- Some review comments from Carl are still pending ([issue#15](#))
- Discussion about whether to add an optional CM "indicator", e.g.:

```
cm-type = &(
  reference-values: 0
  endorsements: 1
  evidence: 2
  attestation-result: 3
)
```

```
cmw = [
  type: coap-cf / media-type
  value: bytes
  ? ind: bytes .bits cm-type
]
```


Cross-{WG,SDO} Activities

- Work in TCG (DICE WG) to add an X.509 extension for CMW
 - Targeting version 1.1 of “*DICE Attestation Architecture*”
 - Publication (and allocation of the associated OID) not very far away
 - The CMW I-D is referenced and the relevant CDDL/ABNF are copied in
- Discussion with Carl and Russ about using CMW in CSRs (see [this thread on the LAMPS ML](#))
 - Decision: use the CMW extension in [draft-ietf-lamps-key-attestation-ext](#) by referencing the TCG doc, once published

Summary

- Simple encap format
- Useful in a number of different scenarios
- Used by another SDO (TCG)
- Transitively used in another WG (LAMPS)

Adopt ?