

# RFC 4895bis: SCTP Authentication

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# Motivation

- Address two security issues reported by Ericsson:
  - Use direction dependent keys to mitigate reflection attacks.
  - Don't use different HMAC algorithms with the same keys.
- Add more algorithms, potentially retire HMAC-SHA-1.
- Incorporate relevant changes from draft-nagesh-sctp-auth-4895bis-00
- Add socket API considerations allowing applications to query which algorithms are used for sending and to get notified about changes of parameters when receiving.

# Status

- draft-tuexen-tsvwg-rfc4895-bis-00  
Submit RFC 4895 as an ID.
- draft-tuexen-tsvwg-rfc4895-bis-01  
Update to xmlv3.
- draft-tuexen-tsvwg-rfc4895-bis-02  
Wordsmithing and updating references.
- draft-tuexen-tsvwg-rfc4895-bis-03  
Minor editorial change.
- draft-tuexen-tsvwg-rfc4895-bis-04  
Add socket API related updates required for DTLS/SCTP.
- draft-tuexen-tsvwg-rfc4895-bis-05  
Remove ekr from list of authors, improve socket API.
- draft-tuexen-tsvwg-rfc4895-bis-06  
Update Acknowledgements.

# SCTP AUTH Handshake

```
----- INIT[RANDOM; CHUNKS; HMAC-ALGO] ----->  
<----- INIT-ACK[RANDOM; CHUNKS; HMAC-ALGO] -----  
----- COOKIE-ECHO ----->  
<----- COOKIE-ACK -----
```

# How to Differentiate Directions?

- Can't be done based on client/server role like in (D)TLS.
- `key_vector = RANDOM|CHUNKS|HMAC_ALGO`
- The RANDOM parameter contains a 32-byte random number.
- Base the role on which side selected the smaller or larger `key_vector`.
- How to handle that both `key_vectors` are the same:
  - Can be avoided easily in a client/server situation.
  - Might result in an association setup failure peer to peer situation with a small likelihood. Redo the handshake without involving the upper layer.

# Next Steps

- Working group adoption?
- Address
  - Comments sent my Magnus to [tsvwg@ietf.org](mailto:tsvwg@ietf.org).
  - all issues listed in the motivation.
  - anything else required for DTLS/SCTP.
  - any additional feedback.