

COSE Hash Envelope

draft-steele-cose-hash-envelope

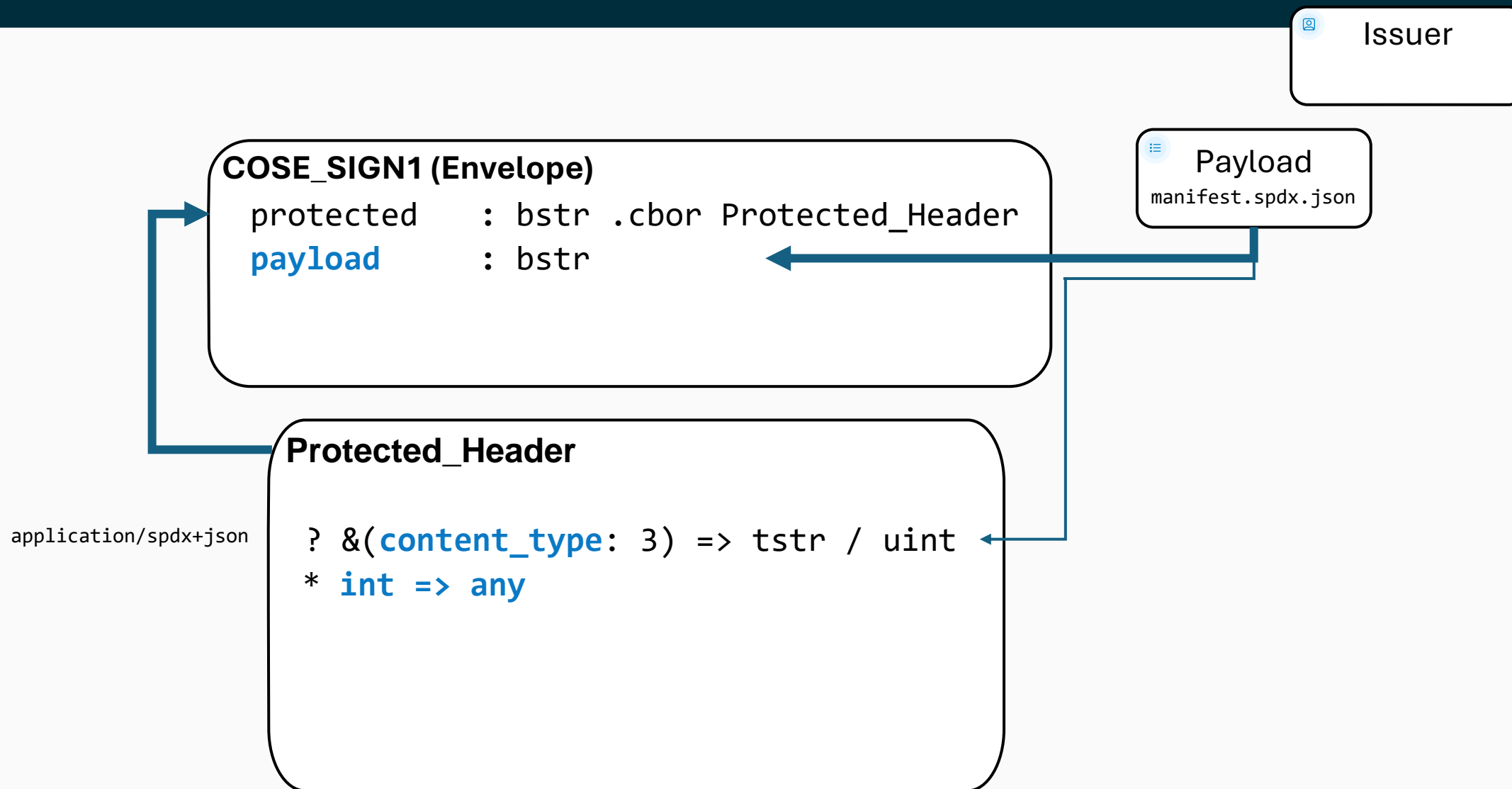
Reference: <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-steele-cose-hash-envelope/>



Current State - Attached



To Be Signed Bytes



Signed Bytes



COSE_SIGN1 (Envelope)

protected : bstr .cbor Protected_Header
payload : bstr
m signature : bstr

Issuer

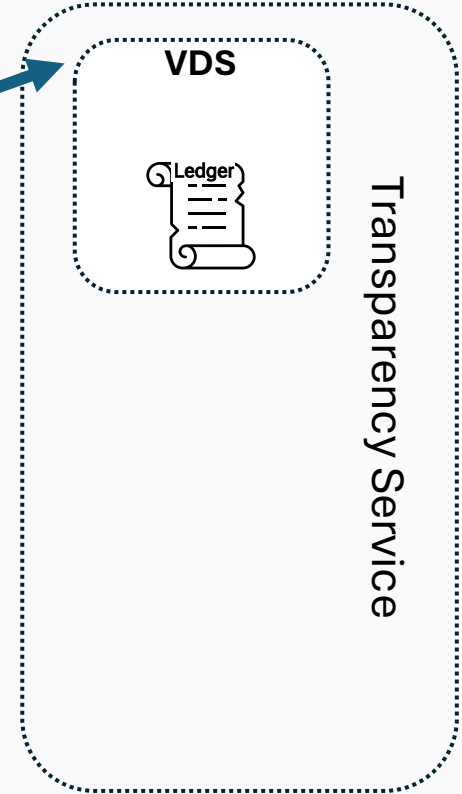
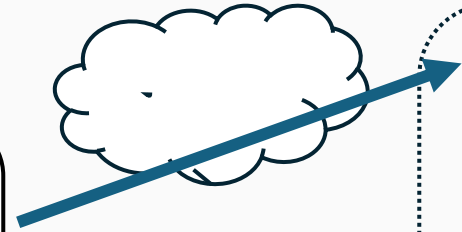
Statement

Registering on a Verifiable Data Structure (VDS)



COSE_SIGN1 (Envelope)

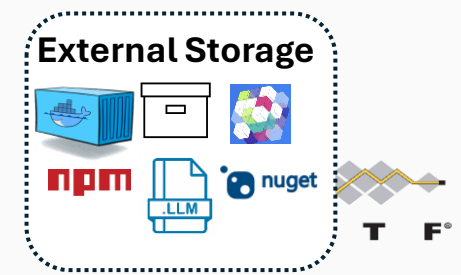
```
protected      : bstr .cbor Protected_Header  
payload      : bstr  
signature      : bstr  
unprotected    : Unprotected_Header
```



How large is the COSE_Sign1 Envelope?

Protected Header	~1k	} 2k 🙌😊🙌
Unprotected Header	0	
Signature	~1k	

- Is **size** the constraint?
- Is the **payload** already stored somewhere else?
- Do we need to continually pass the payload for signature checking?

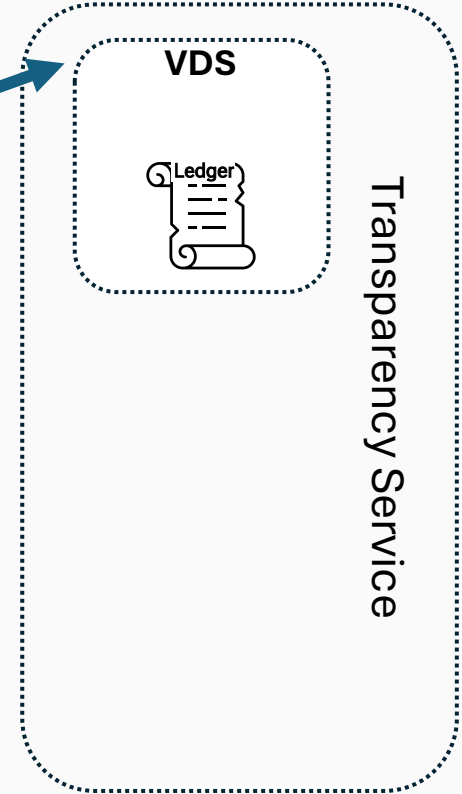
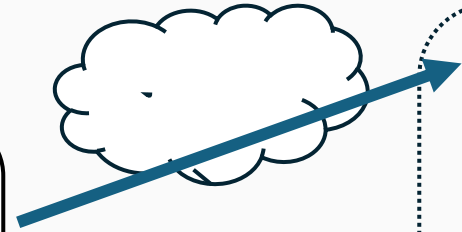


Registering on a Verifiable Data Structure (VDS)



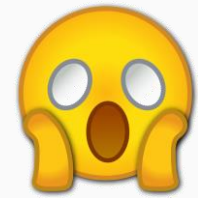
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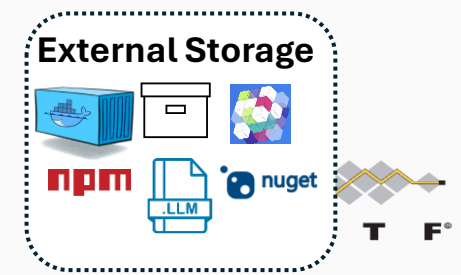


How large is the COSE_Sign1 Envelope?

Protected Header	~1k	} ~50.002gb
Unprotected Header	0	
Signature	~1k	
Payload	1k-50gb	



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COSE Detached Payloads



Detached Payloads

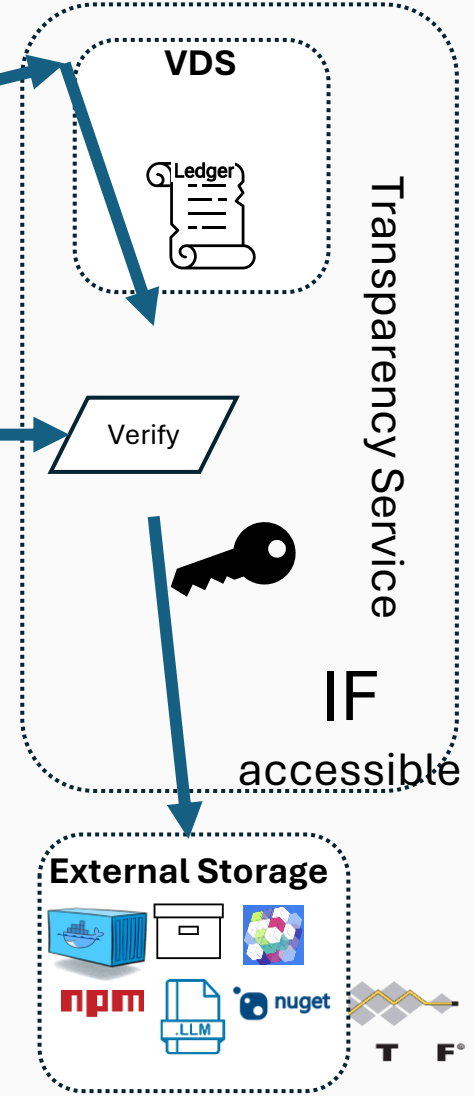


COSE_SIGN1 (Envelope)

```
protected      : bstr .cbor Protected_Header  
payload      : nil  
signature      : bstr  
unprotected    : Unprotected_Header
```

Unprotected_Header

```
? &payload_location => tstr "https://sbom.sh/retrieve/45c86..."  
* int => any
```



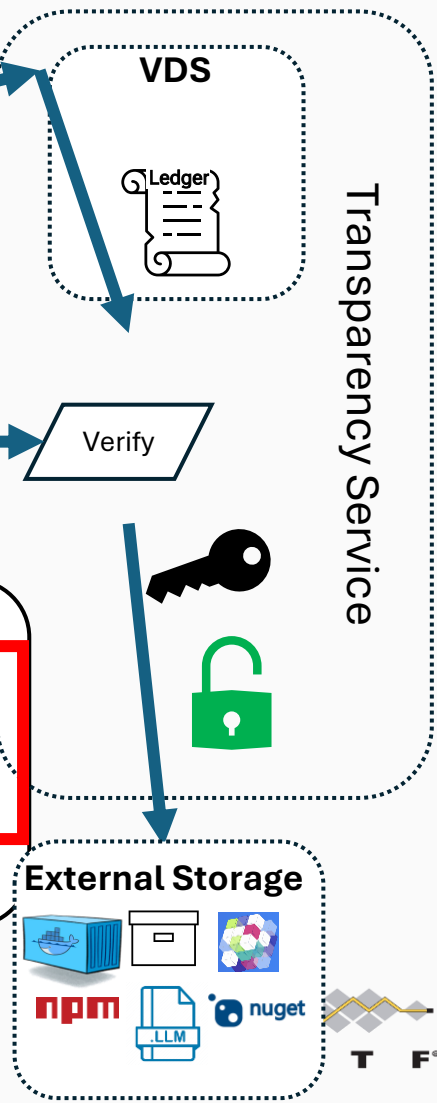
Detached Payloads



COSE_SIGN1 (Envelope)
protected : bstr .cbor Protected_Header
payload : **nil**
signature : bstr
unprotected : Unprotected_Header

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Unprotected_Header
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Detached Payloads



COSE_SIGN1 (Envelope)

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Unprotected_Header

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```



VDS



Transparency Service

Verify



IF NOT
accessible



Content of a Payload

Persistence

Where is the Payload persisted?

 Inline content (binary)



Small File

Define Small



Large file

Define Large



Collections of files

large and/or small
Likely packaged in another file (zip/tar) or referenced by a manifest




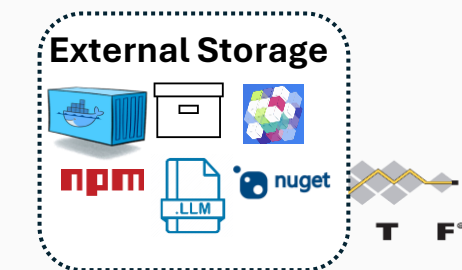
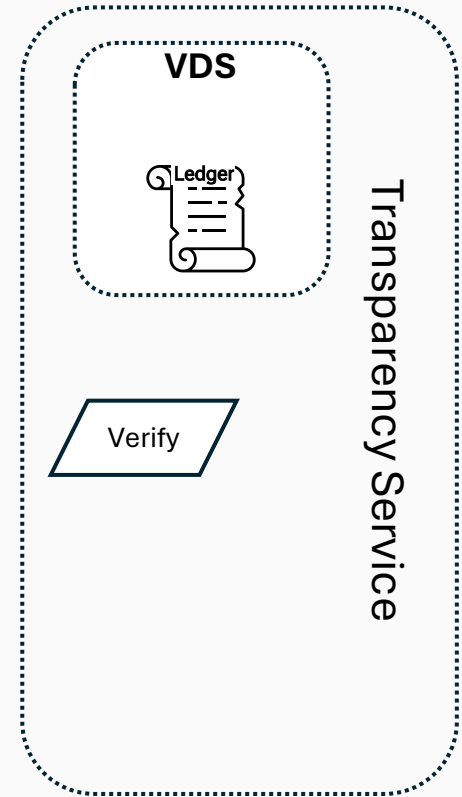
File by Reference: URI to the location: docker image, npm package, vcon, youtube video



Manifest: Collections of files, each referenced by a unique id (eg: docker image, npm package, vcon, youtube video)

COSE_SIGN1 (Envelope)

```
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payload      : bstr / nil   
signature      : bstr  
unprotected    : Unprotected_Header
```









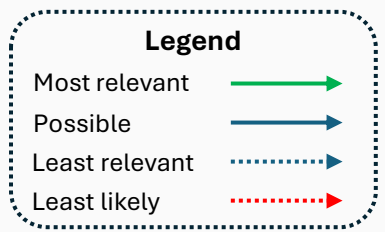
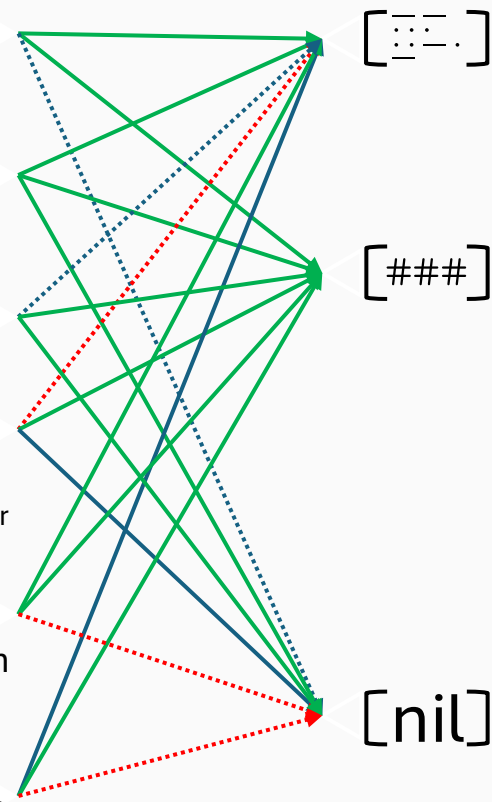
HASH Envelope

Options Considered, → Proposal



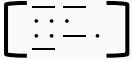
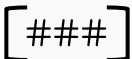

Content of a Payload

-  **Inline content (binary)**
-  **Small File**
-  **Large file**
-  **Collections of files**
large and/or small
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-  **File by Reference: URI to the location:** docker image, npm package, vcon, youtube video
-  **Manifest:** Collections of files, each referenced by a unique id (eg: docker image, npm package, vcon, youtube video)



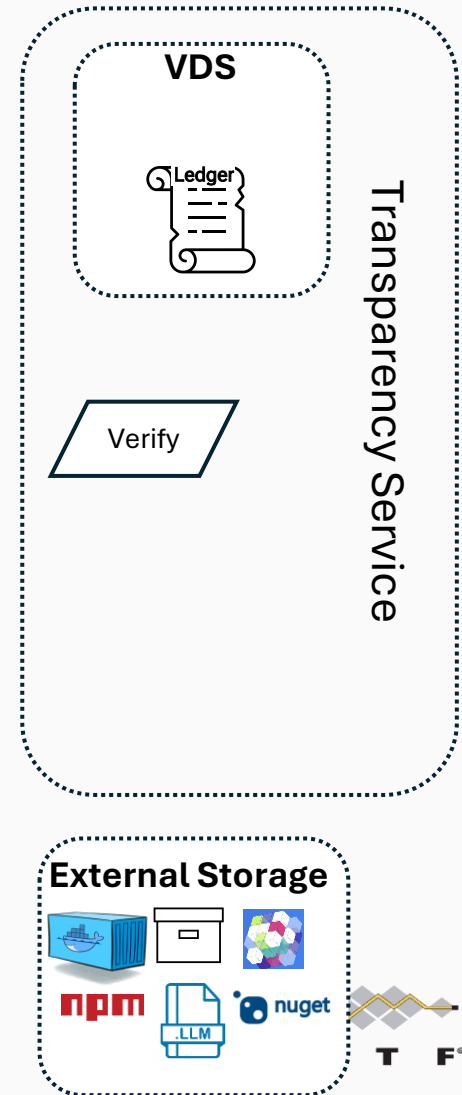
Payload Encasing

How is the Payload represented within COSE_SIGN1

-  **Inline:**
payload: <statement>
content-type: Type of the payload (application/json, application/bin,)
-  **Hash:**
type: application/hashed+ cose
payload: Hash of the content, minimizing the COSE Envelope Size
payload pre-image
content-type: Type of the hashed content (application/spdx+json)
detached-hash-algorithm: sha-256 | SHA3-512
payload-location: added to resolve a possible location for the payload
-  **Detached Payload:**
payload: nil
content-type: the type of the detached content (application/json, application/bin,)
payload-location: added to resolve a possible location for the payload

Persistence

Where is the Payload persisted?



Content of a Payload

Payload Encasing

Persistence

How is the Payload represented within COSE_SIGN1

Where is the Payload persisted?



Inline content (simple values)



Small File



Large file



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referenced by a manifest



File by Reference: URI to
the location: docker image, npm
package, vcon, youtube video



Manifest: Collections of files,
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Legend

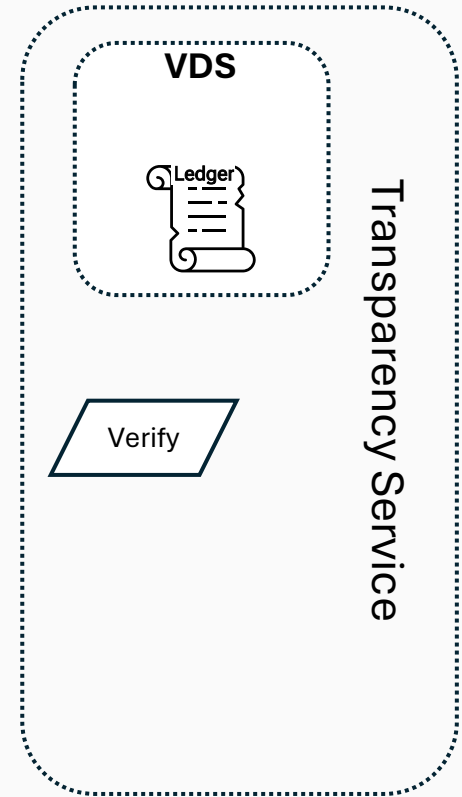
- Most relevant
- Possible
- Least relevant
- Least likely

[###]

Hash:

- type:** application/hashed+ cose
- payload:** Hash of the content, minimizing the COSE Envelope Size
- payload pre-image**
- content-type:** Type of the hashed content (application/spdx+json)
- detached-hash-algorithm:** sha-256
- payload-location:** added to resolve a possible location for the payload

- Never wonder what size constraint will fail
- Builds upon existing storage services



External Storage



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HASH Envelope Protected Header

```
{
    1: -7,
    16: application/hashed+cose,
    TBD_1: -16,
    TBD_2: application/spdx+json,
    TBD_3: https://blob.example/24f...9c9,
}
```

/ Protected /
/ Algorithm (ECDSA) /
/ Type (RFC 9596) /
/ Payload Hash Algorithm (SHA256) /
/ Payload Pre-Image Content Type /
/ Payload Location /

Fetching a resource can be negotiated by the content type (TBD_2)

Example: SPDX supports json, yaml, xml, ...

Reference Validations & Implementations

- SCITT GitHub Actions
 - [github.com/**datatrails**/scitt-action](https://github.com/datatrails/scitt-action)
 - [github.com/**digicert**/scitt-action](https://github.com/digicert/scitt-action)
- vCon
 - [github.com/**vcon**-dev/vcon-server](https://github.com/vcon-dev/vcon-server)

Next Steps

- Please review the draft
- Is there enough interest for WG Adoption
- <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-steele-cose-hash-envelope/>