

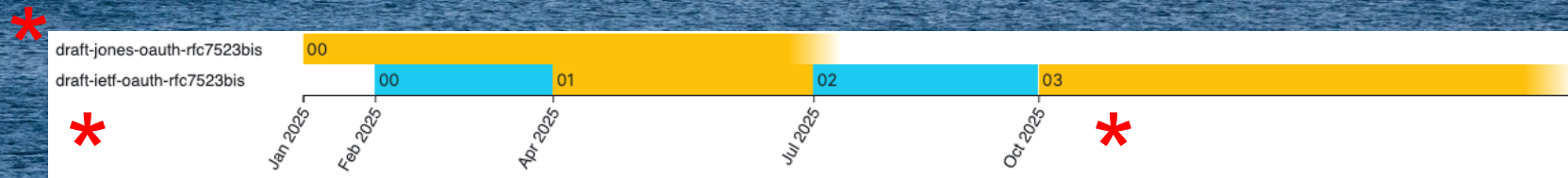
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**Updates to OAuth 2.0 JSON Web Token (JWT) Client
Authentication and Assertion-Based Authorization Grants**

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It all started* at OSW '25





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Dear OpenID Foundation Community,

Overview

This note discloses a security vulnerability related to use of `private_key_jwt`.

We are not aware of any known compromises based on this potential attack vector. Today, we are advising all implementers that they may be impacted and sharing guidance about how to protect your implementations.

Confidentiality

To protect implementations across the supply chain, we request you consider this information as **highly sensitive**: please do not publish the letter or details of the attack while the community works on the remediation steps. This helps to ensure that an academic or theoretical risk will not be exploited by bad actors.

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Audience Injection Attacks: A New Class of Attacks on Web-Based Authorization and Authentication Standards

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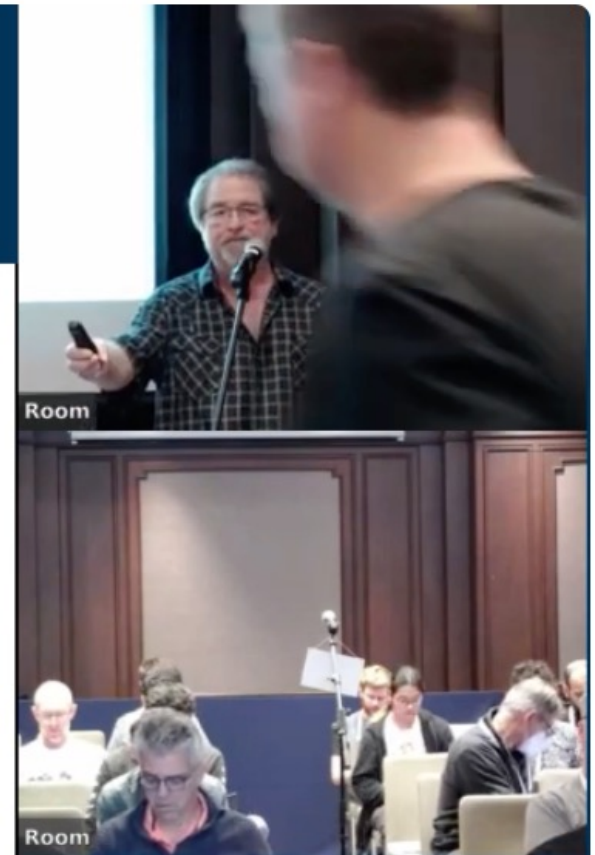
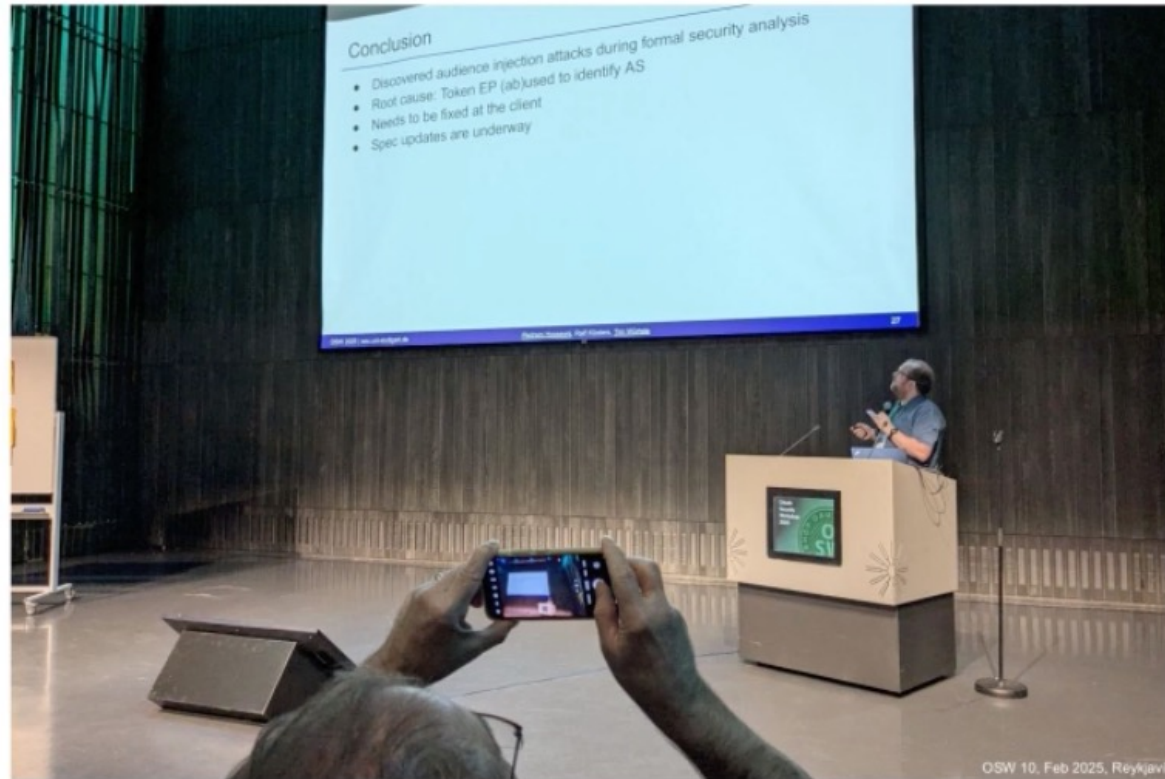
Abstract

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RFC7523 The token endpoint... the authorization server MAY be used as a valid... "aud" element to identify the authorization server...
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Meta-analogy



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At IETF 122, we decided to “Move fast and break fewer things”



- Targeted document focused on addressing the issue:
 - Update JWT based client authentication
 - AS Issuer Identifier as the sole audience
 - Explicit type
 - Update SAML based client authentication
 - Admit nobody does it
 - Tell people never to do it
 - Update assertion-based authorization grants
 - Advise client to ensure that the audience of the assertion makes sense with respect to where it's being sent
 - Token endpoint URL, Issuer Identifier, SAML Entity ID
- Discussed with security researchers at OSW

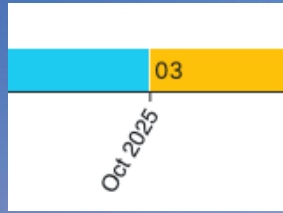
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- Update OAuth Token Endpoint Authentication Methods IANA entries with reference to this specification
- Do not restrict the "aud" claim's type. Allow it to be an array with a single member.
- Advise the client to ensure that the audience of an assertion authorization grant makes sense with respect to where it's being sent.
- Updates to the abstract and introduction to (hopefully) better reflect the more targeted scope of the work.
- Remove JWTs for Client Authentication example replacement (not worth it for including typ in the encoded JWT header).
- Add request to update existing OAuth URI registrations to add reference to this specification for the four relevant URNs.
- Fixup the new Client Authentication JWT Example.

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Updates to Audience Values for OAuth 2.0 Authorization Servers
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Abstract

This specification updates the requirements for audience values for tokens whose audience is an OAuth 2.0 authorization server to address a security vulnerability identified in the previous requirements for those audience values in multiple OAuth 2.0 specifications.

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Abstract

This specification updates the requirements for audience values in OAuth 2.0 Client Assertion Authentication and Assertion-based Authorization Grants to address a security vulnerability identified in the previous requirements for those audience values in multiple OAuth 2.0 specifications.



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By accident while looking at some other draft I noticed that the abbrev value does show up in the footer of the txt version rendered under the other stuff on the main datatracker page <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-ietf-oauth-rfc7523bis/> so there we should probably consider adding something short and without the word "ass".

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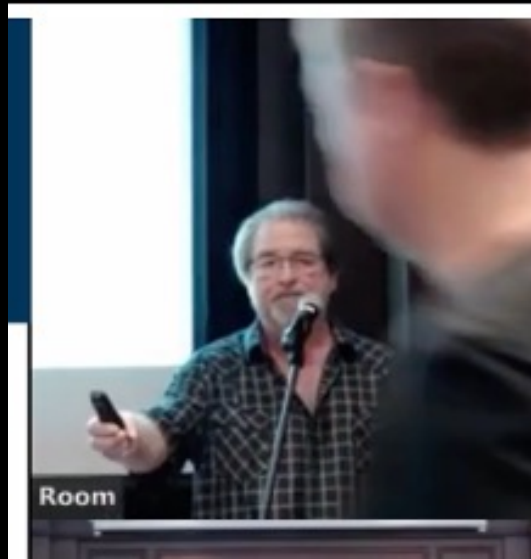
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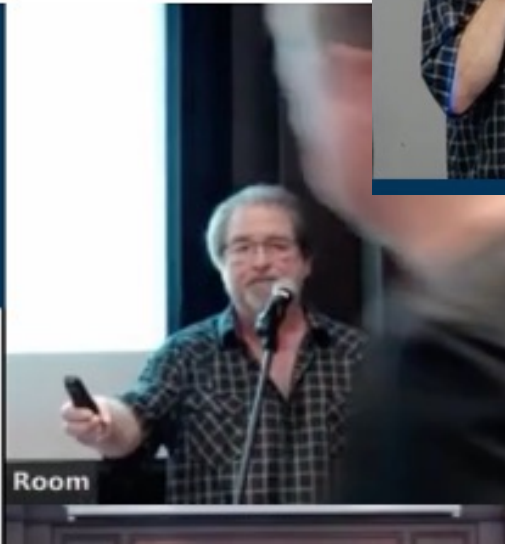
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