

Multi-Authentication in IKEv2

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❑ Information of our draft

- Title: Multi-Authentication in IKEv2 with Post-quantum Security
- draft-wang-ipsecme-multi-auth-ikev2-pq-00
- <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-wang-ipsecme-multi-auth-ikev2-pq/>

❑ PQ Authentication in IKEv2

- RFC 9593 (Announcing Supported Authentication Methods in IKEv2).
 - One peer indicates the list of supported authentication methods to the other while establishing IKEv2 SAs
 - **SUPPORTED_AUTH_METHODS Notification** to improve interoperability for authentication method negotiating
 - **3 types of announcements specified**: for MAC, for a specific signature auth. & for a general signature auth.
- **ML-DSA, SLH-DSA or any PQ signature authentication**: Signature Authentication in IKEv2 using PQC (draft-ietf-ipsecme-ikev2-pqc-auth-06)
- **Composite Signature Authentication**: PQ/T Hybrid PKI Authentication in IKEv2 (draft-hu-ipsecme-pqt-hybrid-auth-04)

❑ Motivations

- **IKEv2 may need a flexible multiple authentication, where**
 - both peers are able to negotiate multi-authentication methods in IKEv2 according to their local policies; and
 - authentication methods selected do not necessarily belong to the same category.
- **Examples**: MAC + PQ signature, PSK + PQ signature, T signature + PQ signature, MAC + T signature + PQ signature, ...

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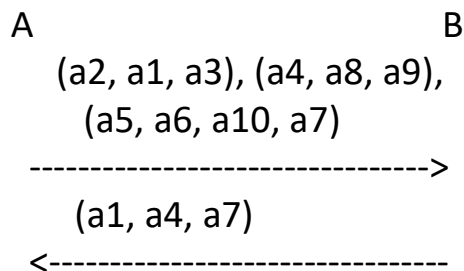
❑ The proposed solution

- **Basic idea: Mimic the means of negotiating ADDKE in RFC 9370**
 - 1) A sends multiple authentication method sets to B.
 - 2) B selects one authentication method in each set and sends the answer to A.
 - 3) These authentication methods selected will be used by B to authenticate itself to A.
- Similar procedures can be done to negotiate the multi-authentication methods for A to authenticate itself to B.
- **This draft specifies how to extend the Authentication Methods Announcements (RFC 9593) to achieve the above.**

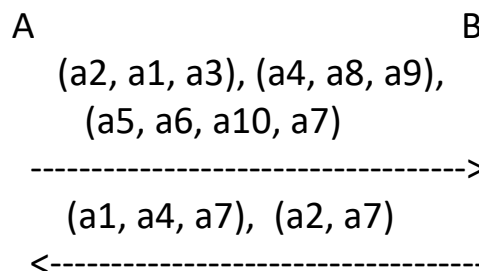
❑ Compact answers to save communications

- **1 authentication method set:** Both A and B will use the same methods to authenticate each other.
- **2 authentication method sets:** the 1st set for A to authenticate B, and the 2nd set for B to authenticate A.
- **3 authentication method sets:** the 1st set for A to authenticate B, and other sets for expressing B's authentication policy.

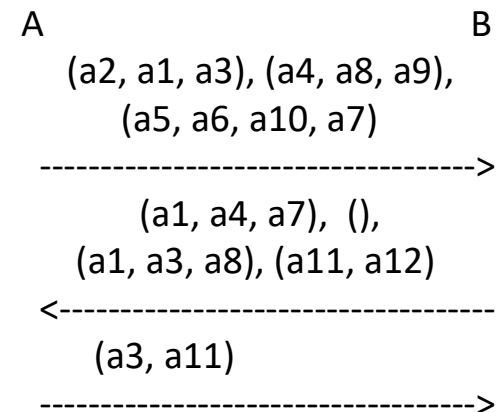
Examples: A and B negotiate multi-authentication with 12 algorithms



Case 1



Case 2



Case 3

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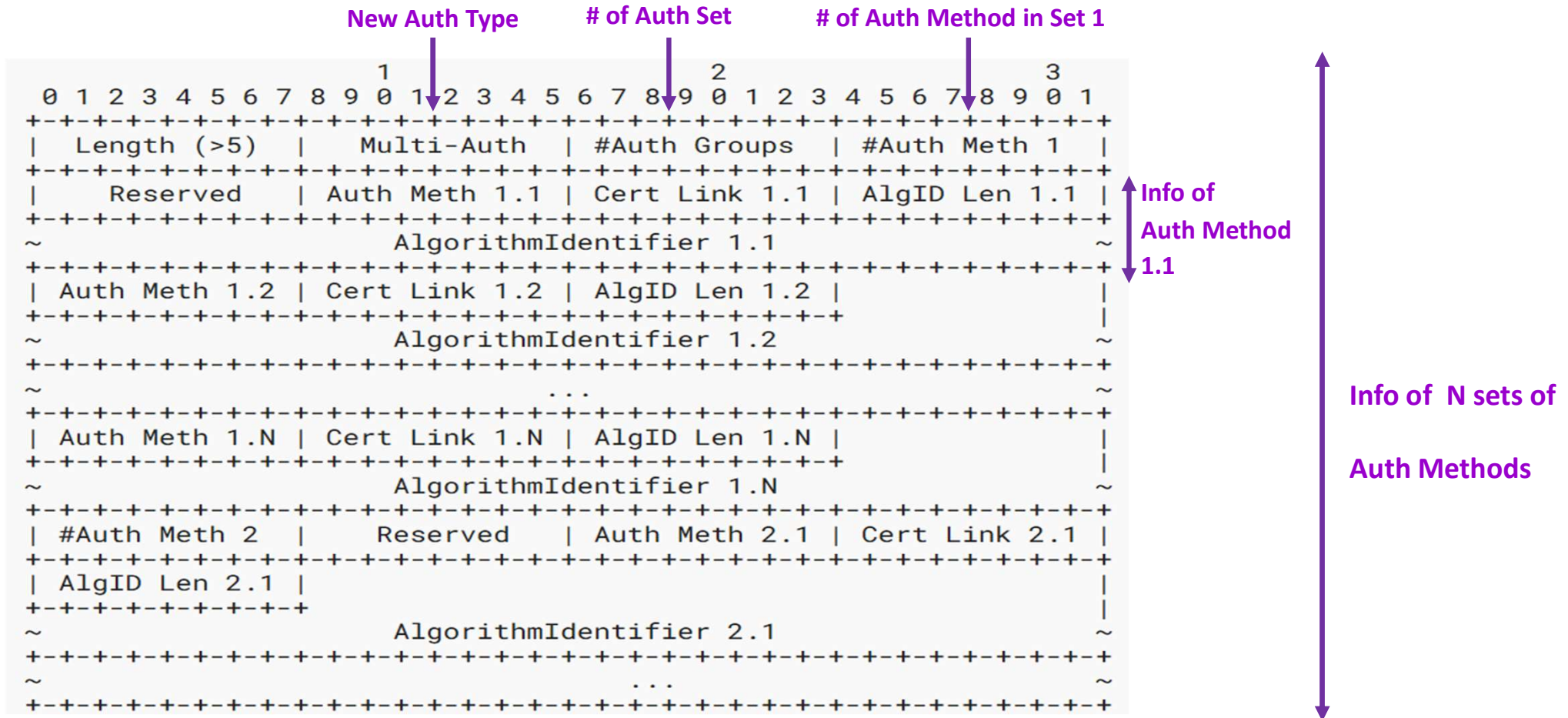


Fig. 3 Payload Format for Multi-Authentication Announcement

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Initiator	Responder

HDR(IKE_SA_INIT), SAI1(.. ADDKE*..), --->	
KEi, Ni, N(INTERMEDIATE_EXCHANGE_SUPPORTED), ..	
	<--- HDR(IKE_SA_INIT), SAR1(.. ADDKE*..), [CERTREQ,]
	KEr, Nr, <u>N(INTERMEDIATE_EXCHANGE_SUPPORTED), ..</u>
	<u>N(SUPPORTED_AUTH_METHODS(17((a2a1a3), (a4a8a9), (a5a6a10a7))))</u>
	... (IKE_INTERMEDIATE for ADDKE) ...
HDR(IKE_AUTH), SK{IDi, [CERT,] [CERTREQ,]	
[IDr,] AUTH, SAI2, TSi, TSr,	
<u>N(SUPPORTED_AUTH_METHODS(17(TBD)(a1a4a7), (a2a7))))</u> --->	
	... (IKE_INTERMEDIATE for [CERT,]) ...
	<--- HDR(IKE_AUTH), SK{IDr, [CERT,] AUTH, SAR2, TSi, TSr}
	... (IKE_INTERMEDIATE for [CERT,]) ...

Fig. 1 An Example of Multi-Authentication between Two Peers

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Appreciate your you comments and reviews!

Thanks!