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- Generic GSS-API name types
 - “user” and “hostbased service name”
 - A simple mapping to PKIX would be good
- Many PKIX name types
 - 'Twould be good to have GSS name types for them
- Certificates can have many names, but the GSS-API requires a single canonical name
 - Name-based authz w/ GSS exported name tokens
 - MUST smooth this over
 - Existing certs should be usable w/ GSS mech

Solutions: Generic GSS name types

- User names can map onto `rfc822Name` SAN
 - About as good as `krb5` mech's mapping of this NT
- Host-based service names can map to `dNSName` SAN + EKU for service name
 - Between `anyExtendedKeyUsage` and local policy we can make existing certs usable for 'host' and 'nfs' services with a PKIX-based GSS mech

Solutions: New GSS name types

- New GSS name types corresponding to all `GeneralName` choices:
 - `OID` prefix + choice tag number as last `OID` arc
 - Except for `otherName` choice – there the `OID` of the `OtherName` will do as a GSS name type `OID`
- Import/display syntax for these is as for the PKIX name types themselves

Solutions: Exported name tokens

- The canonical representation of any given PKIX name for use in exported GSS name tokens can be very simple:
 - **DER** encoding of the corresponding `GeneralName`
- **Except** for hostbased service names
 - If we use EKU as mapping for service
 - We could/should define define a SAN for this
 - **NOTE**: CAs need not support this SAN as it need not be present in certs, so no CA deployment issue should arise

Solutions: Many names → 1 Name

- Follow the IKEv2 model
 - Peers can assert the name they want to be seen as
 - Nodes verify that their peers are allowed the names that they assert
- So initiators send {Certificate, GeneralName} to acceptors and vice versa [hold comments, wait 1 slide]
 - The asserted name has to be in the cert
- And then the exported name token for a peer is the DER encoding of the peer's asserted name

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- “So initiators send {Certificate, GeneralName} to acceptors and vice versa”
 - Actually, {Certificate, index of name} would be much easier to process
 - 0 \rightarrow DN, 1 \rightarrow 1st SAN, 2 \rightarrow 2nd SAN, ..., N \rightarrow last SAN
 - This conflicts with use of EKU to represent the service component of hostbased service names
 - Because EKU is not part of PKIX naming
 - So, send {Certificate, index of name, EKU OID*}

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- Need a good default for
GSS_C_NO_NAME/GSS_C_NO_CREDENTIAL
 - Username type for initiator creds
 - rfc822Name
 - Hostbased NT for acceptors
 - dNSName SAN + EKU