

Misc. COSE Topics

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Topics for discussion

- draft-ietf-cose-rfc8152bis-struct: Extend 'kid' to int
- draft-ietf-cbor-encoded-cert: Looking for reviews
- Potential new draft: cose-x509-like draft for CWTs
- draft-ietf-cose-x509: Usage of x5*-sender

Extend 'kid' to int, PR #34

- RFC 8152 defines 'kid' as bstr
- Beneficial to extend 'kid' to also support value type int
- Mail thread starting with

<https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/cose/WUVutFNTVHd5m45xzS5mXPjwWsM/>

—PR #34

- Common header params
- COSE Key

Name	Label	CBOR Type	Value Registry	Description
kty	1	tstr / int	COSE Key Types	Identificati the key type
kid	2	bstr / int		Key identifi value -- mat kid in messa
alg	3	tstr / int	COSE Algorithms	Key usage restriction this algorit

draft-ietf-cbor-encoded-cert

- The base specification of C509 is stable
- Last update was IETF 111
 - New supported extensions
 - CSRs and CRLs
 - Rust code in github repo [1]
- Reviews?

[1] <https://github.com/cose-wg/CBOR-certificates/tree/master/c509>

CWT as authentication credential in COSE

- LAKE defines COSE header parameters for CWTs and CWT Claims Sets [1]:
 - CWTs containing a COSE key in a 'cnf' claim (RFC 8747)

Name	Label	Value Type	Description
kcwt	TBD1	COSE_Messages	A CBOR Web Token (CWT) containing a COSE_Key in a 'cnf' claim
kccs	TBD2	map / #6(map)	A CWT Claims Set (CCS) containing a COSE_Key in a 'cnf' claim

- Do we need to specify more general use of CWT as authentication credential?
 - The analogue of draft-ietf-cose-x509 but using CWT instead of X.509

[1] <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/draft-ietf-lake-edhoc-11#section-9.6>

Usage of x5*-sender

- cose-x509 distinguishes between COSE header parameters for sender and recipient
 - based on what kind of COSE object the header goes into (Section 2):
 - “COSE_Signature and COSE_Sign1 objects:
in these objects they identify the certificate to be used for validating the signature.
 - COSE_recipient objects:
in this location they identify the certificate for the recipient of the message.”
- Section 3:
 - “The header parameters defined in the previous section are used to identify the recipient certificates for the ECDH key agreement algorithms. In this section we define the algorithm specific parameters that are used for identifying or transporting the sender’s key for **static-static key agreement algorithms.**”
- Why is this limited to static-static?

Usage of x5*-sender

— Tables 1 & 2 in draft-ietf-cose-x509:

x5chain	TBD3	COSE_X509	An ordered X.509 certificate chain
x5t	TBD1	COSE_CertHash	Hash of an X.509 certificate
x5u	TBD2	uri	URI pointing to an X.509 certificate

Table 2: Static ECDH Algorithm Values

Name	Label	Type	Algorithm	Description
x5t-sender	TBD	COSE_CertHash	ECDH-SS+HKDF-256, ECDH-SS+HKDF-512, ECDH-SS+A128KW, ECDH-SS+A192KW, ECDH-SS+A256KW	Thumbprint for the senders X.509 certificate
x5u-sender	TBD	uri	ECDH-SS+HKDF-256, ECDH-SS+HKDF-512, ECDH-SS+A128KW, ECDH-SS+A192KW,	URI for the senders X.509 certificate

Table 1: X.509 COSE Header Parameters