

An aerial photograph of a Norwegian fjord. The scene features steep, rocky mountains with patches of green vegetation. A small village with red-roofed houses is situated on a peninsula in the middle of the fjord. The water is a deep blue, and the sky is a pale, hazy blue. The text "EDHOC" is overlaid in white, sans-serif font on the left side of the image.

EDHOC

draft-ietf-lake-edhoc-07

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Outline

- Main changes – 06 → – 07
- Selected issues

Main Changes

-06 → -07

- Changed transcript hash definition for TH_2 and TH_3
- Removed "EDHOC signature algorithm curve" from cipher suite
- New application defined parameter "context" in EDHOC-Exporter
- New IANA registry "EDHOC Exporter Label"
- Moved key derivation for OSCORE to draft-ietf-core-oscore-edhoc
- Changed normative language for failure from MUST to SHOULD send error
- Made error codes non-negative and 0 for success
- Added detail on success error code
- New appendix on compact EC point representation
- Added detail on compact representation of ephemeral public keys
- Aligned terminology "protocol instance" -> "session"
- Renamed "Auxiliary Data" as "External Authorization Data"
- Added encrypted EAD_4 to message_4
- Additional security considerations

Selected Issues

RPK
by
value

- #125 CRED_x in CWT format
- #115 Transfer CWT
- #88 Opportunistic use
- #82 COSE header map for public key
- #62 COSE_Key content constrained according to EDHOC

Correlation,
message
format & size

- #118 Value for C_1
- #105 Simplifying the correlation
- #103 Optimization of message size
- #61 Change message_1 format
- #39 Add guidelines for distinguishing received messages.

Conn. and key
identifiers

- #79 Coding density for bstr_identifier

Inner
MAC

- #121 Replace inner COSE_Encrypt0 with single invocation of EDHOC-KDF()
- #120 Initial set of cipher suites

CRED_x for non-PKI ("RPK by value")

- EDHOC supports transport of credential in ID_CRED_x
- COSE header indicates what is being transported

`ID_CRED_x = { COSE header : CRED_x }`

- Solved for the PKI case: x5chain for X.509, c5c for C509

What to transport and which COSE header to use in case of RPK?

Related problem:

- What CRED_x to use in case in case RPK is **not** transported?
- Both I and R need to reproduce identical format.
- Previous version for the RPK case:
 - CRED_x an ordered subset of a COSE_key

```
CRED_x = {  
  1: 1,  
 -1: 4,  
 -2: h'b1a3e89460e88d3a8d54211dc95f0b90  
      3ff205eb71912d6db8f4af980d2db83a',  
  "subject name": "42-50-31-FF-EF-37-32-39"  
}
```

Solution candidates

1. Plain COSE_key (similar to example on previous slide)
 - Define COSE header
 - Deterministic encoding
 - Label for "subject name"
2. CWT (upper example)
 - Define COSE header
 - Deterministic encoding
 - Claims list only?
3. Self-signed C509 / COSE_Sign-CWT
 - Overhead of signature
4. C509 without signature (lower example)
 - New type of C509
5. Other?

```
CRED_x = {      /CWT claims list/  
  2: "42-50-31-FF-EF-37-32-39",      /sub/  
  8:{      /cnf/  
    1:{      /COSE_Key/  
      1: 1,  
      -1: 4,      /X25519/  
      -2: h'b1a3e89460e88d3a8d54211dc95f0b  
          903ff205eb71912d6db8f4af980d2db83a',  
      }  
    }  
  }
```

```
CRED_x = {      /C509 without signature/  
  2,      /new type of C509/  
  h'',  
  [],  
  null,  
  null,  
  h'425031373239', /subject name EUI-64/  
  1,      /P-256/  
  h'b1a3e89460e88d3a8d54211dc95f0b  
    903ff205eb71912d6db8f4af980d2db83a',  
  1      /keyUsage digital signature/}
```

Correlation

- Connection identifiers in beginning of each message used for retrieving security context
- Correlation of transport messages allows connection identifiers to be omitted
 - Specified by `corr`
- *Comment: corr and optionality of connection identifiers creates complexity*

Proposal: Move message-initial connection ids from EDHOC to transport protocol & remove corr from protocol

- See PR [#117](#)
- Note: connection ids, and their negotiation, is still included for the benefit of applications

Message sizes

- Proposed changes has minor impact on message sizes
- If all changes are applied, an increase by one byte of the minimal size of one of the messages
- Acceptable?

- Recap target message sizes
 - Largest message is message_2, 46 bytes
 - Most severe restriction, 45 bytes downlink, from 6TiSCH 5-node benchmark
 - Malisa revisited the calculations and compiled a spread sheet, see [#103](#)
 - We can reach this by using known lengths
 - E.g. concatenate G_Y and CIPHERTEXT2 in one bstr
 - But that adds complexity, contrary to the latest proposed changes

- **Discuss: Tradeoff between encoding complexity and single bytes**

Compact identifiers

- bstr_identifier introduced to allow transport of short identifiers (e.g. using 1-byte CBOR ints)
- defines mapping to bytes strings that avoids collisions
- used for connection ids and transport of kids
- *Comment: Over-optimization*

Proposal: replace bstr_identifier with: bstr / int – see PR [#122](#)

- Issue: Mapping to byte strings
 - Connection ids are used as OSCORE Sender ID, need to be non-overlapping
 - So, same mapping issue but moved to draft-ietf-core-oscore-edhoc
 - COSE kid is bstr
 - If kids are transported as bstr then only one 1-byte value – empty string – can be used
 - but plenty of 2-byte values
 - Moreover, bstr_identifier only has 48 1-byte values
 - Will people really use the optimization which provides 1 byte gain in the use cases where this optimization is critical?

Simplify MAC calculation

- Current inner MACs are COSE_Encrypt0
 - message_2 and message_3

Proposal: Replace with single invocation of EDHOC-KDF()

- Improved security
- Simpler
 - "K_2m", "K_3m", "IV_2m", "IV_3m" can be removed from the specification.
- Avoids issues of erroneous use of COSE AEAD without MAC
 - Requested for FIDO alliance and other applications
- See PR [#123](#)

OLD

```
* Compute an inner COSE_Encrypt0
* protected = << ... >>
* external_aad = << ... >>

* plaintext = h''
* Key K = EDHOC-KDF( ...)
* Nonce N = EDHOC-KDF( ... )
* Plaintext P = 0x
```

MAC_2 is the 'ciphertext'
of the inner COSE_Encrypt0.

NEW

```
Compute MAC_2 = EDHOC-KDF(...).
```

Cipher suites

- Is it worth having 4 different CCM based cipher suites
 - Are these the correct ones?
- Define a ChaCha20-Poly1305 cipher suite with SHA-256, X25519 and EdDSA?
- The CNSA cipher suite does not really need a 1 byte value. Change to 2 byte value?