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# Abstract

This specification describes an application layer protocol for communication between an external authenticator and another client/platform, as well as bindings of this application protocol to a variety of transport protocols using different physical media. The application layer protocol defines requirements for such transport protocols. Each transport binding defines the details of how such transport layer connections should be set up, in a manner that meets the requirements of the application layer protocol.

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# 1. Overview

This section is non-normative.

This protocol is intended to be used in scenarios where a user interacts with a relying party (a website or native app) on some platform (e.g., a PC) which prompts the user to interact with an external authenticator (e.g., a smartphone).

In order to provide evidence of user interaction, an external authenticator implementing this protocol is expected to have a mechanism to obtain a user gesture. Possible examples of user gestures include: as a consent button, password, a PIN, a biometric or a combination of these.

Prior to executing this protocol, the client/platform (referred to as *host* hereafter) and external authenticator (referred to as *authenticator* hereafter) must establish a confidential and mutually authenticated data transport channel. This specification does not specify the details of how such a channel is established, nor how transport layer security must be achieved.

# 2. Conformance

As well as sections marked as non-normative, all authoring guidelines, diagrams, examples, and notes in this specification are non-normative. Everything else in this specification is normative.

The key words must, must not, required, should not, recommended, may, and optional in this specification are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

### 3. Protocol Structure

This section is non-normative.

This protocol is specified in three parts:

- Authenticator API: At this level of abstraction, each authenticator operation is defined similarly to an API call it accepts input parameters and returns either an output or error code. Note that this API level is conceptual and does not represent actual APIs. The actual APIs will be provided by each implementing platform.
- Message Encoding: In order to invoke a method in the authenticator API, the host must construct and encode a request and send
  it to the authenticator over the chosen transport protocol. The authenticator will then process the request and return an encoded
  response.
- Transport-specific Binding: Requests and responses are conveyed to external authenticators over specific transports (e.g., USB, NFC, Bluetooth). For each transport technology, message bindings are specified for this protocol.

This document specifies all three of the above pieces for external FIDO2 authenticators.

### Protocol Overview

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The general protocol between a platform and an authenticator is as follows:

- 1. Platform establishes the connection with the authenticator.
- 2. Platform gets information about the authenticator using authenticatorGetInfo command which helps it determine the capabilities of the authenticator.
- 3. Platform sends a command for an operation if the authenticator is capable of supporting it.
- 4. Authenticator replies with response data or error.

# 5. Authenticator API

Each operation in the authenticator API can be performed independently of the others, and all operations are asynchronous. The authenticator may enforce a limit on outstanding operations to limit resource usage - in this case, the authenticator is expected to return a busy status and the host is expected to retry the operation later. Additionally, this protocol does not enforce in-order or reliable delivery of requests and responses; if these properties are desired, they must be provided by the underlying transport protocol or implemented at a higher layer by applications.

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The authenticator API has the following methods and data structures.

#### 5.1 authenticatorMakeCredential(0x01)

Parameter name	Data type	Required?	Definition
clientDataHash	Byte Array	Required	Hash of the ClientData contextual binding specified by host. See [WebAuthN].
rp	PublicKeyCredentialRpEntity	Required	This PublicKeyCredentialRpEntity data structure describes a Relying Party with which the new <u>public key credential</u> will be associated. It contains the <u>Relying party identifier</u> , (optionally) a human-friendly RP name, and (optionally) a serialized URL pointing to a RP icon image. The RP name is to be used by the authenticator when displaying the credential to the user for selection and usage authorization.
user	PublicKeyCredentialUserEntity	Required	This PublicKeyCredentialUserEntity data structure describes the user account to which the new <u>public key credential</u> will be associated at the RP. It contains an RP-specific user account identifier, (optionally) a user name, (optionally) a user display name, and (optionally) a URL pointing to an image (of a user avatar, for example). The authenticator associates the created public key credential with the account identifier, and may also associate any or all of the user name, user display name, and image data (pointed to by the URL, if any).
pubKeyCredParams	CBOR Array	Required	A sequence of CBOR maps consisting of pairs of PublicKeyCredentialType (a string) and cryptographic algorithm (a positive or negative integer), where algorithm identifiers are values that should be registered in the IANA COSE Algorithms registry [IANA-COSE-ALGS-REG]. This sequence is ordered from most preferred (by the RP) to least preferred.
excludeList Sequence of PublicKeyCredentialDescriptors		Optional	A sequence of PublicKeyCredentialDescriptor structures, as specified in [WebAuthN]. The authenticator returns an error if the authenticator already contains one of the credentials enumerated in this sequence. This allows RPs to limit the creation of multiple credentials for the same account on a single authenticator.
extensions	CBOR map of <u>extension</u> <u>identifier</u> → <u>authenticator</u> <u>extension input</u> values	Optional	Parameters to influence authenticator operation, as specified in [WebAuthN]. These parameters might be authenticator specific.
options	Sequence of authenticator options	Optional	Parameters to influence authenticator operation, as specified in in the table below.
pinAuth	Byte Array	Optional	First 16 bytes of HMAC-SHA-256 of clientDataHash using pinToken which platform got from the authenticator. HMAC-SHA-256(pinToken, clientDataHash).
pinProtocol	Unsigned Integer	Optional	PIN protocol version chosen by the Client

The following values are defined for use in the options parameter. All options are booleans.

K	еу	Default value	Definition
r	k	false	resident key: Instructs the authenticator to store the key material on the device.
ι	IV	false	user verification: Instructs the authenticator to require a gesture that verifies the user to complete the request. Examples of such gestures are fingerprint scan or a PIN.

When such a request is received, the authenticator performs the following procedure:

- 1. If the excludeList parameter is present and contains a credential ID that is present on this authenticator, terminate this procedure and return error code CTAP2\_ERR\_CREDENTIAL\_EXCLUDED.
- 2. If the pubKeyCredParams parameter does not contain a valid COSEAlgorithmIdentifier value that is supported by the authenticator, terminate this procedure and return error code CTAP2\_ERR\_UNSUPPORTED\_ALGORITHM.
- 3. If the options parameter is present, process all options and if any of the requested options can't be satisfied, terminate this procedure and return the CTAP2\_ERR\_OPTION\_NOT\_SUPPORTED error.
- 4. Optionally, if the extensions parameter is present, process any extensions that this authenticator supports. <u>Authenticator extension outputs</u> generated by the authenticator extension processing are returned in the <u>authenticator data</u>.
- 5. If <a href="mailto:pinAuth">pinAuth</a> parameter is present and pinProtocol is 1, verify it by matching it against first 16 bytes of HMAC-SHA-256 of clientDataHash parameter using <a href="mailto:pinToken">pinToken</a>: <a href="mailto:hmac-sha-256(pinToken">hmac-sha-256(pinToken</a>, <a href="mailto:clientDataHash">clientDataHash</a>).
  - If the verification succeeds, set the "uv" bit to 1 in the response.
  - If the verification fails, return CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_AUTH\_INVALID error.

If <u>pinAuth</u> parameter is not present and <u>clientPin</u> been set on the authenticator, return CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_REQUIRED error.

- 6. If the authenticator has a display, show the items contained within the user and rp parameter structures to the user. Alternatively, request user interaction in an authenticator-specific way (e.g., flash the LED light). Request permission to create a credential. If the user declines permission, return the CTAP2\_ERR\_OPERATION\_DENIED error.
- 7. Generate a new <u>credential key pair</u> for the algorithm specified.
- 8. If "rk" in options parameter is set to true:
  - If a credential for the same RP ID and account ID already exists on the authenticator, overwrite that credential.
  - Store the user parameter along the newly-created key pair.
  - If authenticator does not have enough internal storage to persist the new credential, return CTAP2\_ERR\_KEY\_STORE\_FULL.
- 9. Generate an attestation statement for the newly-created key using clientDataHash.

On success, the authenticator returns an attestation object in its response as defined in [WebAuthN]:

Member name	Data type	Required?	Definition
authData	Sequence of bytes	Required	The <u>authenticator data</u> object.
fmt	String	Required	The attestation statement format identifier.
attStmt	Sequence of bytes, the structure of which depends on the attestation statement format identifier	Required	The attestation statement, whose format is identified by the "fmt" object member. The client treats it as an opaque object.

# 5.2 authenticatorGetAssertion(0x02)

This method is used by a host to request cryptographic proof of user authentication as well as user consent to a given transaction, using a previously generated credential that is bound to the authenticator and relying party identifier. It takes the following input parameters, which explicitly correspond to those defined in <a href="https://doi.org/10.108/journal.org/10.1

Parameter name	Data type	Required?	Definition
rpld	String	Required	Relying party identifier. See [WebAuthN].
clientDataHash	Byte Array	Required	Hash of the serialized client data collected by the host. See [WebAuthN].
allowList	Sequence of PublicKeyCredentialDescriptors	Optional	A sequence of PublicKeyCredentialDescriptor structures, each denoting a credential, as specified in [WebAuthN]. The authenticator is requested to only generate an assertion using one of the denoted credentials.
extensions	CBOR map of <u>extension</u> <u>identifier</u> → <u>authenticator</u> <u>extension input</u> values	Optional	Parameters to influence authenticator operation. These parameters might be authenticator specific.
options	Sequence of authenticator options	Optional	Parameters to influence authenticator operation, as specified in the table below.
pinAuth	Byte Array	Optional	First 16 bytes of HMAC-SHA-256 of clientDataHash using pinToken which platform got from the authenticator. HMAC-SHA-256(pinToken, clientDataHash).
pinProtocol	Unsigned Integer	Optional	PIN protocol version selected by Client.

The following values are defined for use in the options parameter. All options are booleans.

Key	Default value	Definition
up	true	user presence: Instructs the authenticator to require user consent to complete the operation.
uv	false	user verification: Instructs the authenticator to require a gesture that verifies the user to complete the request. Examples of such gestures are fingerprint scan or a PIN.

When such a request is received, the authenticator performs the following procedure:

- 1. Locate all credentials that are eligible for retrieval under the specified criteria:
  - If an allowList is present and is non-empty, locate all denoted credentials present on this authenticator and bound to the specified rpld.
  - If an allowList is not present, locate all credentials that are present on this authenticator and bound to the specified rpld.
- 2. If <a href="mailto:pinAuth">pinAuth</a> parameter is present and pinProtocol is 1, verify it by matching it against first 16 bytes of HMAC-SHA-256 of clientDataHash parameter using <a href="mailto:pinToken">pinToken</a>: <a href="mailto:hmac-sha-256(pinToken">hmac-sha-256(pinToken</a>, <a href="mailto:clientDataHash">clientDataHash</a>).
  - If the verification succeeds, set the "uv" bit to 1 in the response.
  - If the verification fails, return CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_AUTH\_INVALID error.

If pinAuth parameter is not present and clientPin has been set on the authenticator, set the "uv" bit to 0 in the response.

- 3. Optionally, if the extensions parameter is present, process any extensions that this authenticator supports. <u>Authenticator extension outputs</u> generated by the authenticator extension processing are returned in the <u>authenticator data</u>.
- 4. Collect user consent if required. This step must happen before the following steps due to privacy reasons (i.e., authenticator cannot disclose existence of a credential until the user interacted with the device):
  - If the "uv" option was specified and set to true:
    - If device doesn't support user-identifiable gestures, return the CTAP2\_ERR\_OPTION\_NOT\_SUPPORTED error.
    - Collect a user-identifiable gesture. If gesture validation fails, return the CTAP2\_ERR\_OPERATION\_DENIED error.
  - o If the "up" option was specified and set to true, collect the user's consent.
    - If no consent is obtained and a timeout occurs, return the CTAP2\_ERR\_OPERATION\_DENIED error.
- 5. If no credentials were located in step 1, return CTAP2\_ERR\_NO\_CREDENTIALS.
- 6. If only one credential was located in step 1, go to step 9.

- 7. Order the credentials by the time when they were created. The first credential is the most recent credential that was created.
- 8. If authenticator does not have a display:
  - Remember the authenticatorGetAssertion parameters.
  - Create a counter and set it to the total number of credentials.
  - Start a timer. This is used during authenticatorGetNextAssertion command.
  - Update the response to include the first credential's publicKeyCredentialUserEntity information and numberOfCredentials.
- 9. If authenticator has a display:
  - · Display all these credentials to the user, using their friendly name along with other stored account information.
  - · Also, display the rpld of the requester (specified in the request) and ask the user to select a credential.
  - If the user declines to select a credential or takes too long (as determined by the authenticator), terminate this procedure and return the CTAP2\_ERR\_OPERATION\_DENIED error.
- 10. Sign the clientDataHash along with authData with the selected credential, using the structure specified in [WebAuthN].

On success, the authenticator returns the following structure in its response:

Member name	Data type	Required?	Definition
credential	PublicKeyCredentialDescriptor	Optional	PublicKeyCredentialDescriptor structure containing the credential identifier whose private key was used to generate the assertion. May be omitted if the allowList has exactly one Credential.
authData	Byte Array	Required	The signed-over contextual bindings made by the authenticator, as specified in [WebAuthN].
signature	Byte Array	Required	The <u>assertion signature</u> produced by the authenticator, as specified in [WebAuthN].
user	PublicKeyCredentialUserEntity	Required	PublicKeyCredentialUserEntity structure containing the user account information. For single account per RP case, authenticator returns "id" field to the platform which will be returned to the [WebAuthN] layer. For multiple accounts per RP case, where the authenticator does not have a display, authenticator returns "id" as well as other fields to the platform. Platform will use this information to show the account selection UX to the user and for the user selected account, it will ONLY return "id" back to the [WebAuthN] layer and discard other user details.
numberOfCredentials	Integer	Optional	Total number of account credentials for the RP. This member is required when more than one account for the RP and the authenticator does not have a display. Omitted when returned for the authenticatorGetNextAssertion method.

# 5.3 authenticatorGetNextAssertion(0x08)

The client calls this method when the authenticatorGetAssertion response contains the numberOfCredentials member and the number of credentials exceeds 1. This method is used to obtain the next per-credential signature for a given authenticatorGetAssertion request.

This method takes no arguments as it is always follows a call to authenticatorGetAssertion or authenticatorGetNextAssertion.

When such a request is received, the authenticator performs the following procedure:

- 1. If authenticator does not remember any authenticatorGetAssertion parameters, return CTAP2\_ERR\_NOT\_ALLOWED.
- 2. If the credential counter is 0, return CTAP2\_ERR\_NOT\_ALLOWED.
- 3. If timer since the last call to authenticatorGetAssertion/authenticatorGetNextAssertion is greater than 30 seconds, discard the current authenticatorGetAssertion state and return CTAP2\_ERR\_NOT\_ALLOWED.
- Sign the clientDataHash with the credential using credential counter as index (e.g., credentials[n] assuming 1-based array), using
  the structure specified in [WebAuthN].
- 5. Reset the timer.
- 6. Decrement the credential counter.

On success, the authenticator returns the same structure as returned by the authenticatorGetAssertion method. The numberOfCredentials member is omitted.

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If client receives numberOfCredentials member value exceeding 1 in response to the authenticatorGetAssertion call:

- 1. Call authenticatorGetNextAssertion numberOfCredentials minus 1 times.
  - Make sure 'rp' member matches the current request.
  - Remember the 'response' member.
  - · Add credential user information to the 'credentialInfo' list.
- 2. Draw a UX that displays credentialInfo list.
- 3. Let user select which credential to use
- 4. Return the value of the 'response' member associated with the user choice.
- 5. Discard all other responses.

### 5.4 authenticatorCancel(0x03)

Using this method, the host can request the authenticator to cancel all ongoing operations are return to a ready state. It takes no input parameters and returns success or failure.

# 5.5 authenticatorGetInfo(0x04)

Using this method, the host can request that the authenticator report a list of all supported protocol versions, supported extensions, AAGUID of the device, and its capabilities. This method takes no inputs.

On success, the authenticator returns:

Member name	Data type	Required?	Definition
versions	Sequence of strings	Required	List of supported versions.
extensions	Sequence of strings	Optional	List of supported extensions.
aaguid	Byte String	Required	The claimed AAGUID. 16 bytes in length and encoded the same as MakeCredential AuthenticatorData, as specified in [WebAuthN].
options	Мар	Optional	List of supported options.
maxMsgSize	Unsigned Integer	Optional	Maximum message size supported by the authenticator.
pinProtocols	Array of Unsigned Integers	Optional	List of supported PIN Protocol versions.

All options are in the form key-value pairs with string IDs and boolean values. When an option is not present, the default is applied per table below. The following is a list of supported options:

Option ID	Definition	Default
plat	platform device: Indicates that the device is attached to the client and therefore can't be removed and used on another client.	false
rk	resident key: Indicates that the device is capable of storing keys on the device itself and therefore can satisfy the authenticatorGetAssertion request with allowList parameter not specified or empty.	false
clientPin	Client PIN: If present and set to true, it indicates that the device is capable of accepting a PIN from the client and PIN has been set. If present and set to false, it indicates that the device is capable of accepting a PIN from the client and PIN has not been set yet. If absent, it indicates that the device is not capable of accepting a PIN from the client.	Not supported
up	user presence: Indicates that the device is capable of testing user presence as part of the authenticatorGetAssertion request.	true
uv	user verification: Indicates that the device is capable of verifying the user as part of the authenticatorGetAssertion request.	false

# 5.6 authenticatorClientPIN(0x06)

One of the design goals of this command is to have minimum burden on the authenticator and to not send actual encrypted PIN to the authenticator in normal authenticator usage scenarios to have more security. Hence, below design only sends PIN in encrypted format while setting or changing a PIN. On normal PIN usage scenarios, design uses randomized <a href="mailto:pinToken">pinToken</a> which gets generated every power cycle.

This command is used by the platform to establish key agreement with Authenticator and getting sharedSecret setting a new PIN on the Authenticator, changing existing PIN on the Authenticator and getting "pinToken" from the Authenticator which can be used in subsequent authenticatorMakeCredential and authenticatorGetAssertion operations.

It takes the following input parameters:

Parameter name	Data type	Required?	Definition
pinProtocol	Integer	Required	PIN protocol version chosen by the Client. For this version of the spec, this shall be the number 1.
subCommand	Integer	Required	The authenticator client PIN sub command currently being requested
keyAgreement	COSE_KEY	Optional	Public key of <u>platformKeyAgreementKey</u> .
pinAuth	Byte Array	Optional	First 16 bytes of HMAC-SHA-256 of encrypted contents using <u>sharedSecret</u> . See <u>Setting a new PIN</u> , <u>Changing existing PIN</u> and <u>Getting pinToken from the authenticator</u> for more details.
newPinEnc	Byte Array	Optional	Encrypted new PIN using <u>sharedSecret</u> . Encryption is done over UTF-8 representation of new PIN.
pinHashEnc	Byte Array	Optional	Encrypted first 16 bytes of SHA-256 of PIN usingsharedSecret.
getKeyAgreement	Boolean	Optional	Asks authenticator to return public key of its <u>authenticatorKeyAgreementKey</u> for <u>getting SharedSecret from the authenticator</u> .
getRetries	Boolean	Optional	Asks authenticator to return number of PIN attempts remaining before lockout.

The list of sub commands for PIN Protocol Version 1 is:

Subcommand Name	Subcommand Number
Get Retries	1
Get Key Agreement	2
Set PIN	3
Change PIN	4
Get PIN token	5

On success, Authenticator returns the following structure in its response.

Parameter name	Data type	Required?	Definition
KeyAgreement	COSE_KEY	Optional	Authenticator key agreement public key in COSE_KEY format. This will be used to establish a sharedSecret between platform and the authenticator.
<u>pinToken</u>	Byte Array	Optional	Encrypted <a href="mailto:pinToken">pinToken</a> using <a href="mailto:sharedSecret">sharedSecret</a> to be used in subsequent <a href="mailto:authenticatorMakeCredential">authenticatorMakeCredential</a> and <a href="mailto:authenticatorGetAssertion">authenticatorGetAssertion</a> operations.
retries	Unsigned Integer	Optional	Number of PIN attempts remaining before lockout. This is optionally used to show in UI when collecting the PIN in <u>Setting a new PIN</u> , <u>Changing existing PIN</u> and <u>Getting pinToken from the authenticator</u> flows.

#### 5.6.1 Client PIN support requirements

- Platform has to fulfill following PIN support requirements while gathering input from the user:
  - Minimum PIN Length: 4 Unicode characters
  - Maximum PIN Length: UTF-8 representation must not exceed 255 bytes
- Authenticator has to fulfill following PIN support requirements:
  - Minimum PIN Length: 4 bytes
  - Maximum PIN Length: 255 bytes
  - Maximum incorrect PIN retry count: 8
    - Each correct PIN entry resets retries counter.
    - Once the authenticator reaches the maximum incorrect PIN retry count, the <u>authenticator has to be reset</u> before any further operations with requires PIN.
  - PIN storage on the device has to be of the same or better security assurances as of private keys on the device.

Note: Authenticators can implement minimum PIN lengths that are longer than 4 characters.

#### 5.6.2 Authenticator Configuration Operations Upon Power Up

Authenticator generates following configuration at power up. This is to have less burden on the Authenticator as key agreement is an expensive operation. This also ensures randomness across power cycles.

Following are the operations Authenticator performs on each powerup:

- Generate "authenticatorKeyAgreementKey":
  - Generate a ECDH P-256 key pair called "authenticatorKeyAgreementKey" denoted by (a, ag) where "a" denotes the private key and "ag" denotes the public key.
    - See [RFC6090] Section 4.1 and [SP800-56A] for more ECDH key agreement protocol details.
- Generate "pinToken":
  - Generate a random integer of length which is multiple of 16 bytes (AES block length).
  - "pinToken" is used so that there is minimum burden on the authenticator and platform does not have to not send actual
    encrypted PIN to the authenticator in normal authenticator usage scenarios. This also provides more security as we are not
    sending actual PIN even in encrypted form. "pinToken" will be given to the platform upon verification of the PIN to be used in
    subsequent authenticatorMakeCredential and authenticatorGetAssertion operations.

# 5.6.3 Getting sharedSecret from Authenticator

Platform does the ECDH key agreement to arrive at sharedSecret to be used only during that transaction. Authenticator does not have to keep a list of sharedSecrets for all active sessions. If there are subsequent authenticatorClientPIN transactions, a new sharedSecret is generated every time.

Platform performs the following operations to arrive at the sharedSecret:

- Platform sends authenticatorClientPIN command by setting getKeyAgreement parameter to true.
  - Platform optionally can set getRetries parameter to true to get the <u>retries</u> count. Retries count is the number of attempts remaining before lockout so when device is near authenticator lockout stage, platform can optionally warn the user to be careful while entering PIN.
- Authenticator responds back with <u>public key of authenticatorKeyAgreementKey</u>, "aG".
  - Authenticator optionally also sends retires count if getRetries parameter is set to true.
- Platform generates "platformKeyAgreementKey":
  - Platform generates ECDH P-256 key pair called "platformKeyAgreementKey" denoted by (b, bg) where "b" denotes the private key and "bg" denotes the public key.
- Platform generates "sharedSecret"
  - Platform generates "sharedSecret" using SHA-256 over ECDH key agreement protocol using <u>private key of platformKeyAgreementKey</u>, "b" and <u>public key of authenticatorKeyAgreementKey</u>, "aG": SHA-256 ((bag).x).
    - SHA-256 is done over only "x" curve point of baG.
    - See [RFC6090] Section 4.1 and appendix (C.2) of [SP800-56A] for more ECDH key agreement protocol details and key representation.

# 5.6.4 Setting a New PIN

Following operations are performed to set up a new PIN:

- Platform gets sharedSecret from the authenticator.
- Platform collects new PIN ("newPinUnicode") from the user in Unicode format.
  - Platform checks the Unicode character length of "newPinUnicode" against the minimum 4 Unicode character requirement and returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_POLICY\_VIOLATION if the check fails.
  - Let "newPin" be the UTF-8 representation of "newPinUnicode".

- Platform checks the byte length of "newPin" against the max UTF-8 representation limit of 255 bytes and returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_POLICY\_VIOLATION if the check fails.
- Platform sends <u>authenticatorClientPIN</u> command with following parameters to the authenticator:
  - keyAgreement: <u>public key of platformKeyAgreementKey</u>, "bG".
  - newPinEnc: Encrypted newPin using <a href="mailto:sharedSecret">sharedSecret</a>, <a href="mailto:swepin">swepin</a>).
    - During encryption, newPin is padded with trailing 0x00 bytes and is of minimum 64 bytes length. This is to prevent leak
      of PIN length while communicating to the authenticator. There is no PKCS #7 padding used in this scheme.
  - pinAuth: LEFT(HMAC-SHA-256(sharedSecret, newPinEnc), 16).
    - The platform sends the first 16 bytes of the HMAC-SHA-256 result.
- Authenticator performs following operations upon receiving the request:
  - Authenticator generates "sharedSecret": <a href="mailto:sha-256">sharedSecret</a>": <a href="mailto:sha-256">sharedSecret</a>": <a href="mailto:sha-256">sharedSecret</a>": <a href="mailto:sha-256">sharedSecret</a>": <a href="mailto:sha-256">sharedSecret</a>": <a href="mailto:sharedSecret">sharedSecret</a>": <a href="mailto:shar
    - SHA-256 is done over only "x" curve point of "abg"
    - See [RFC6090] Section 4.1 and appendix (C.2) of [SP800-56A] for more ECDH key agreement protocol details and key representation.
  - Authenticator verifies pinAuth by generating LEFT(HMAC-SHA-256(sharedSecret, newPinEnc), 16) and matching against input pinAuth parameter.
    - If pinAuth verification fails, authenticator returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_AUTH\_INVALID error.
  - Authenticator decrypts newPinEnc using above "sharedSecret" producing newPin and checks newPin length against minimum PIN length of 4 characters.
    - The decrypted padded newPin should be of at least 64 bytes length and authenticator determines actual PIN length by looking for first 0x00 byte which terminates the PIN.
    - If minimum PIN length check fails, authenticator returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_POLICY\_VIOLATION error.
    - Authenticator may have additional constraints for PIN policy. The current spec only enforces minimum length of 4 characters.
  - Authenticator stores LEFT(SHA-256(newPin), 16) on the device and returns CTAP2\_OK.

### 5.6.5 Changing existing PIN

Following operations are performed to change an existing PIN:

- Platform <u>gets sharedSecret</u> from the authenticator.
- Platform collects current PIN ("curPinUnicode") and new PIN ("newPinUnicode") from the user.
  - Platform checks the Unicode character length of "newPinUnicode" against the minimum 4 Unicode character requirement and returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_POLICY\_VIOLATION if the check fails.
  - Let "curPin" be the UTF-8 representation of "curPinUnicode" and "newPin" be the UTF-8 representation of "newPinUnicode"
    - Platform checks the byte length of "curPin" and "newPin" against the max UTF-8 representation limit of 255 bytes and returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_POLICY\_VIOLATION if the check fails.
- Platform sends <u>authenticatorClientPIN</u> command with following parameters to the authenticator:
  - keyAgreement: <u>public key of platformKeyAgreementKey</u>, "bG".
  - pinHashEnc: Encrypted first 16 bytes of SHA-256 hash of curPin using <a href="mailto:sharedSecret"><u>sharedSecret</u></a>; <a href="mailto:aEs256-CBC(sharedSecret"><u>AES256-CBC(sharedSecret</u></a>, <a href="mailto:IV=0">IV=0</a>, <a href="mailto:LEFT(SHA-256(curPin),16)">LEFT(SHA-256(curPin),16)</a>).
  - newPinEnc: Encrypted "newPin" using <a href="mailto:sharedSecret">sharedSecret</a>, <a href="mailto:sharedSecret">sharedSecret</a>, <a href="mailto:sharedSecret">sharedSecret</a>, <a href="mailto:sharedSecret">newPin</a>).
    - During encryption, newPin is padded with trailing 0x00 bytes and is of minimum 64 bytes length. This is to prevent leak
      of PIN length while communicating to the authenticator. There is no PKCS #7 padding used in this scheme.
  - pinAuth: LEFT(HMAC-SHA-256(sharedSecret, newPinEnc | | pinHashEnc), 16).
    - The platform sends the first 16 bytes of the HMAC-SHA-256 result.
- Authenticator performs following operations upon receiving the request:
  - Authenticator generates "sharedSecret": SHA-256((abG).x) using <u>private key of authenticatorKeyAgreementKey</u>, "a" and <u>public key of platformKeyAgreementKey</u>, "bG".
    - SHA-256 is done over only "x" curve point of "abg"
    - See [RFC6090] Section 4.1 and appendix (C.2) of [SP800-56A] for more ECDH key agreement protocol details and key representation.
  - Authenticator verifies pinAuth by generating LEFT(HMAC-SHA-256(sharedSecret, newPinEnc || pinHashEnc), 16) and
    matching against input pinAuth parameter.
    - If pinAuth verification fails, authenticator returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_AUTH\_INVALID error.
  - Authenticator decrypts pinHashEnc and verifies against its internal stored LEFT(SHA-256(curPin), 16).
    - If a mismatch is detected, authenticator generate new "authenticatorKeyAgreementKey" first and then returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_INVALID error.
      - Generate a new ECDH P-256 key pair called "authenticatorKeyAgreementKey" denoted by (a, ag) where "a" denotes the private key and "ag" denotes the public key.
        - See [RFC6090] Section 4.1 and [SP800-56A] for more ECDH key agreement protocol details.
  - Authenticator decrypts newPinEnc using above "sharedSecret" producing newPin and checks newPin length against minimum PIN length of 4 characters.
    - The decrypted padded newPin should be of at least 64 bytes length and authenticator determines actual PIN length by looking for first 0x00 byte which terminates the PIN.
    - If minimum PIN length check fails, authenticator returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_POLICY\_VIOLATION error.
    - Authenticator may have additional constraints for PIN policy. The current spec only enforces minimum length of 4 characters.
  - Authenticator stores LEFT(SHA-256(newPin), 16) on the device and returns CTAP2\_OK.

# 5.6.6 Getting pinToken from the Authenticator

This step only has to be performed once for the lifetime of the authenticator/platform handle. Getting pinToken once provides allows high

security without any additional roundtrips every time (except for the first key-agreement phase) and its overhead is minimal.

Following operations are performed to get pinToken which will be used in subsequent <u>authenticatorMakeCredential</u> and <u>authenticatorGetAssertion</u> operations:

- Platform gets sharedSecret from the authenticator.
- · Platform collects PIN from the user.
- Platform sends <u>authenticatorClientPIN</u> command with following parameters to the authenticator:
  - keyAgreement: <u>public key of platformKeyAgreementKey</u>, "bG".
  - pinHashEnc: AES256-CBC(sharedSecret, IV=0, LEFT(SHA-256(PIN),16)).
- · Authenticator performs following operations upon receiving the request:
  - Authenticator generates "sharedSecret": sHA-256((abG).x) using private key of authenticatorKeyAgreementKey, "a" and public key of platformKeyAgreementKey. "bG".
    - SHA-256 is done over only "x" curve point of "abG"
    - See [RFC6090] Section 4.1 and appendix (C.2) of [SP800-56A] for more ECDH key agreement protocol details and key representation.
  - Authenticator decrypts pinHashEnc and verifies against its internal stored LEFT(SHA-256(CULPIN), 16).
    - If a mismatch is detected, authenticator generate new "authenticatorKeyAgreementKey" first and then returns CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_INVALID error.
      - Generate a new ECDH P-256 key pair called "authenticatorKeyAgreementKey" denoted by (a, aG) where "a" denotes the private key and "aG" denotes the public key.
        - See [RFC6090] Section 4.1 and [SP800-56A] for more ECDH key agreement protocol details.
  - Authenticator returns encrypted pinToken using "sharedSecret": AES256-CBC(sharedSecret, IV=0, pinToken)
    - pinToken should be a multiple of 16 bytes (AES block length) without any padding or IV. There is no PKCS #7 padding used in this scheme.

#### 5.6.7 Using pinToken

Platform has the flexibility to manage the lifetime of pinToken based on the scenario however it should get rid of the pinToken as soon as possible when not required. Authenticator also can expire pinToken based on certain conditions like changing a PIN, timeout happening on authenticator, machine waking up from a suspend state etc. If pinToken has expired, authenticator will return CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_TOKEN\_EXPIRED and platform can act on the error accordingly.

#### 5.6.7.1 Using pinToken in authenticatorMakeCredential

Following operations are performed to use pinToken in authenticatorMakeCredential API:

- Platform <u>gets pinToken</u> from the authenticator.
- · Platform sends authenticatorMakeCredential command with following additional optional parameter:
  - pinAuth: LEFT(HMAC-SHA-256(pinToken, clientDataHash), 16).
    - The platform sends the first 16 bytes of the HMAC-SHA-256 result.
- Authenticator verifies pinAuth by generating LEFT(HMAC-SHA-256(pinToken, clientDataHash), 16) and matching against input pinAuth parameter.
- Authenticator returns authenticatorMakeCredential response with "uv" bit set to 1.

If platform sends zero length pinAuth, authenticator needs to wait for user touch and then returns either CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_NOT\_SET if pin is not set or CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_INVALID if pin has been set. This is done for the case where multiple authenticators are attached to the platform and the platform wants to enforce clientPin semantics, but the user has to select which authenticator to send the pinToken to

# 5.6.7.2 Using pinToken in authenticatorGetAssertion

Following operations are performed to use pinToken in authenticatorGetAssertion API:

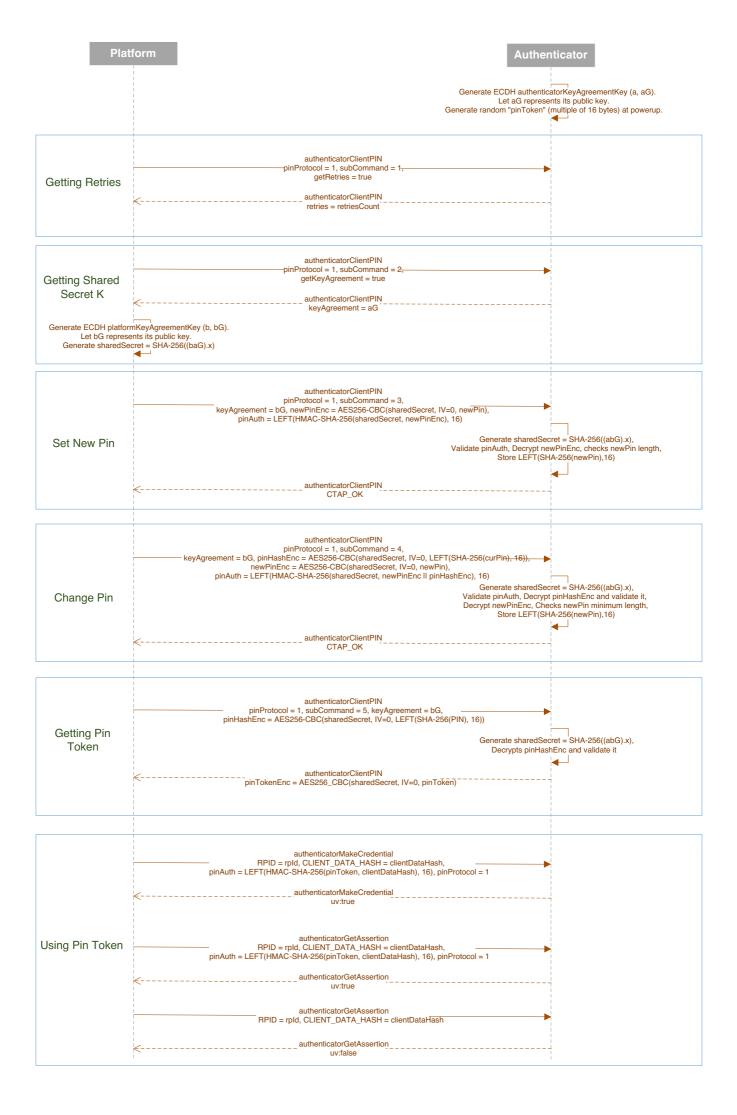
- Platform gets pinToken from the authenticator.
- Platform sends authenticatorGetAssertion command with following additional optional parameter:
  - pinAuth: LEFT(HMAC-SHA-256(pinToken, clientDataHash), 16).
- Authenticator verifies pinAuth by generating LEFT(HMAC-SHA-256(pinToken, clientDataHash), 16) and matching against input pinAuth parameter.
- Authenticator returns authenticatorGetAssertion response with "uv" bit set to 1.

If platform sends zero length pinAuth, authenticator needs to wait for user touch and then returns either CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_NOT\_SET if pin is not set or CTAP2\_ERR\_PIN\_INVALID if pin has been set. This is done for the case where multiple authenticators are attached to the platform and the platform wants to enforce clientPin semantics, but the user has to select which authenticator to send the pinToken to.

# 5.6.7.3 Without pinToken in authenticatorGetAssertion

Following operations are performed without using pinToken in authenticatorGetAssertion API:

- Platform sends authenticatorGetAssertion command without pinAuth optional parameter.
- Authenticator returns authenticatorGetAssertion response with "uv" bit set to 0.



### 5.7 authenticatorReset(0x07)

This method is used by the client to reset an authenticator back to a factory default state, invalidating all generated credentials. In order to prevent accidental trigger of this mechanism, some form of user approval may be performed on the authenticator itself, meaning that the client will have to poll the device until the reset has been performed. The actual user-flow to perform the reset will vary depending on the authenticator and it outside the scope of this specification.

# Message encoding

Many transports (e.g., Bluetooth Smart) are bandwidth constrained, and serialization formats such as JSON are too heavy-weight for such environments. For this reason, all encoding is done using the concise binary encoding CBOR [RFC7049].

To reduce the complexity of the messages and the resources required to parse and validate them, all messages must use Canonical CBOR as specified below. All encoders must generate Canonical CBOR without duplicate map keys. All decoders should enforce Canonical CBOR and should reject messages with duplicate map keys. Canonical CBOR for CTAP uses the following rules:

- Integers must be encoded as small as possible.
  - $\circ~$  0 to 23 and -1 to -24 must be expressed in the same byte as the major type;
  - 24 to 255 and -25 to -256 must be expressed only with an additional uint8\_t;
  - 256 to 65535 and -257 to -65536 must be expressed only with an additional uint16\_t;
  - 65536 to 4294967295 and -65537 to -4294967296 must be expressed only with an additional uint32\_t.
- The expression of lengths in major types 2 through 5 must be as short as possible. The rules for these lengths follow the above rule for integers.
- Indefinite-length items must be made into definite-length items.
- The keys in every map must be sorted lowest value to highest. Sorting is performed on the bytes of the representation of the key
  data items without paying attention to the 3/5 bit splitting for major types. The sorting rules are:
  - · If the major types are different, the one with the lower value in numerical order sorts earlier.
  - If two keys have different lengths, the shorter one sorts earlier;
  - If two keys have the same length, the one with the lower value in (byte-wise) lexical order sorts earlier.

Because some authenticators are memory constrained, the depth of nested CBOR structures used by all message encodings is limited to at most four (4) levels of any combination of CBOR maps and/or CBOR arrays. Authenticators must support at least 4 levels of CBOR nesting. Clients, platforms, and servers must not use more than 4 levels of CBOR nesting.

Likewise, because some authenticators are memory constrained, the maximum message size supported by an authenticator may be limited. By default, authenticators must support messages of at least 1024 bytes. Authenticators may declare a different maximum message size supported using the maxMsgSize authenticatorGetInfo result parameter. Clients, platforms, and servers must not send messages larger than 1024 bytes unless the authenticator's maxMsgSize indicates support for the larger message size. Authenticators may return the CTAP2\_ERR\_REQUEST\_TOO\_LARGE error if size or memory constraints are exceeded.

If map keys are present that an implementation does not understand, they must be ignored. Note that this enables additional fields to be used as new features are added without breaking existing implementations.

Messages from the host to authenticator are called "commands" and messages from authenticator to host are called "replies". All values are big endian encoded.

# 6.1 Commands

All commands are structured as:

Name	Length	Required?	Definition
Command Value	1 byte	Required	The value of the command to execute
Command Parameters	variable	Optional	CBOR [RFC7049] encoded set of parameters. Some commands have parameters, while others do not (see below)

The assigned values for commands and their descriptions are:

Command Name	Command Value	Has parameters?
authenticatorMakeCredential	0x01	yes
authenticatorGetAssertion	0x02	yes
authenticatorCancel	0x03	no
authenticatorGetInfo	0x04	no
authenticatorClientPIN	0x06	yes
authenticatorReset	0x07	no
authenticatorGetNextAssertion	0x08	no
authenticatorVendorFirst	0x40	NA
authenticatorVendorLast	0xBF	NA

Command codes in the range between **authenticatorVendorFirst** and **authenticatorVendorLast** may be used for vendor-specific implementations. For example, the vendor may choose to put in some testing commands. Note that the FIDO client will never generate these commands. All other command codes are reserved for future use and may not be used.

Command parameters are encoded using a CBOR map (CBOR major type 5). The CBOR map must be encoded using the definite length variant.

Some commands have optional parameters. Therefore, the length of the parameter map for these commands may vary. For example, authenticatorMakeCredential may have 4, 5, 6, or 7 parameters, while authenticatorGetAssertion may have 2, 3, 4, or 5 parameters.

All command parameters are CBOR encoded following the JSON to CBOR conversion procedures as per the CBOR specification [RFC7049]. Specifically, parameters that are represented as DOM objects in the Authenticator API layers (formally defined in the Web API [WebAuthN]) are converted first to JSON and subsequently to CBOR.

```
A PublicKeyCredentialRpEntity DOM object defined as follows:
          -r - {
    name: "Acme"
};
      var rp = {
would be CBOR encoded as follows:
                                                              # map(1)
# text(4)
          64
               6e616d65
                                                              # "name
          64
                                                              # text(4)
               41636d65
```

```
EXAMPLE 2
A PublicKeyCredentialUserEntity DOM object defined as follows:
      displayName: "John P. Smith"
would be CBOR encoded as follows:
                                                               # map(4)
# text(2)
# "id"
# bytes(32)
# userid
# ...
           62
                6964
           58 20
               3082019330820138a003020102
3082019330820138a003020102
               308201933082
                                                               # ...
# text(4)
# "icon"
                69636f6e
                                                               # ICON
# text(40)
           7828
                68747470733a2f2f706963732e61636d
                652e636f6d2f30302f702f61426a6a6a
                707150622e706e67
                6e616d65
                                                               # text(22)
# "johnpsmith@example.com"
                6a6f686e70736d697468406578616d70
                6c652e636f6d
                                                               # ...
# text(11)
# "displayName"
# text(13)
# "John P. Smith"
           6b
               646973706c61794e616d65
                4a6f686e20502e20536d697468
```

```
EXAMPLE 3
```

A DOM object that is a sequence of PublicKeyCredentialParameters defined as follows:

```
var pubKeyCredParams = [
        type: "public-key", alg: -7 ^{\prime\prime} "ES256" as registered in the IANA COSE Algorithms registry
        type: "public-key", alg: -257 // "RS256" as registered by WebAuthn
```

would be CBOR encoded as:

```
# array(2)
# map(2)
# text(3)
# "alg"
82
                 63
                                                                                                       # "alg"
# -7 (ES256)
                         616c67
                 26
                                                                                                       # -7 (ES256)

# text(4)

# "type"

# text(10)

# "public-key"

# map(2)

# text(3)

# "alg"

# -257 (RS256)

# text(4)
                 64
                         74797065
                 6a
                         7075626C69632D6B6579
        a2
                 63
                          616c67
                 390100
                                                                                                       # text(4)
# "type"
# text(10)
# "public-key"
                 64
                         74797065
                 6a
                         7075626C69632D6B6579
```

For each command that contains parameters, the parameter map keys and value types are specified below:

Command	Parameter Name	Key	Value type
authenticatorMakeCredential	clientDataHash	0x01	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	rp	0x02	CBOR definite length map (CBOR major type 5).
	user	0x03	CBOR definite length map (CBOR major type 5).

	pubKeyCredParams	0x04	CBOR definite length array (CBOR major type 4) of CBOR definite length maps (CBOR major type 5).
	excludeList	0x05	CBOR definite length array (CBOR major type 4) of CBOR definite length maps (CBOR major type 5).
	extensions	0x06	CBOR definite length map (CBOR major type 5).
	options	0x07	CBOR definite length map (CBOR major type 5).
	pinAuth	0x08	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	pinProtocol	0x09	PIN protocol version chosen by the Client. For this version of the spec, this shall be the number 1.
authenticatorGetAssertion	rpld	0x01	UTF-8 encoded text string (CBOR major type 3).
	clientDataHash	0x02	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	allowList	0x03	CBOR definite length array (CBOR major type 4) of CBOR definite length maps (CBOR major type 5).
	extensions	0x04	CBOR definite length map (CBOR major type 5).
	options	0x05	CBOR definite length map (CBOR major type 5).
	pinAuth	0x06	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	pinProtocol	0x07	PIN protocol version chosen by the Client. For this version of the spec, this shall be the number 1.
authenticatorClientPIN	pinProtocol	0x01	Unsigned Integer. (CBOR major type 0)
	subCommand	0x02	Unsigned Integer. (CBOR major type 0)
	keyAgreement	0x03	COSE_KEY
	pinAuth	0x04	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	newPinEnc	0x05	byte string (CBOR major type 2). It is UTF-8 representation of encrypted input PIN value.
	pinHashEnc	0x06	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	getKeyAgreement	0x07	Boolean. (CBOR major type 7, additional simple value information 20(False)/21(True)).
	getRetries	0x08	Boolean. (CBOR major type 7, additional simple value information 20(False)/21(True)).

#### **EXAMPLE 4**

The following is a complete encoding example of the <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/j.com/makeCredential">authenticatorMakeCredential</a> command (using same account and crypto parameters as above) and the corresponding <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/j.com/makeCredential\_Response">authenticatorMakeCredential\_Response</a> response:

```
01
a5
                                                             {\tt authenticatorMakeCredential\ command}
                                                             map(5)
unsigned(1) - clientDataHash
    01
                                                           # bytes(32)
# h'687134968222ec17202e42505f8ed2b16ae22f16bb05b88c25db9e602645f141'
         687134968222ec17202e42505f8ed2b1
        6ae22f16bb05b88c25db9e602645f141
                                                             unsigned(2) - rp
map(2)
    02
    a2
                                                           # text(2)
# "id"
# text(8)
        62
             6964
        68
                                                             "acme.com"
text(4)
"name"
             61636d652e636f6d
             6e616d65
                                                          # text(4)
# "Acme"
             41636d65
    03
a4
                                                           # unsigned(3) - user
                                                           # map(4)
# text(2)
# "id"
        62
             6964
                                                          # 10
# bytes(32)
# userid
# ...
# ...
        58 20
3082019330820138a003020102
             3082019330820138a003020102
308201933082
                                                             text(4)
        64
        78 28
                                                             text(40)
"https://pics.acme.com/00/p/aBjjjpqPb.png"
             68747470733a2f2f706963732e616
             36d652e636f6d2f30302f702f6142
6a6a6a707150622e706e67
        64
                                                             text(4)
                                                             "name"
text(22)
"johnpsmith@example.com"
         76
            6a6f686e70736d697468406578616
d706c652e636f6d
                                                             text(11)
"displayName
         6b
             646973706c61794e616d65
        6d
                                                             text(13)
"John P. Smith"
             4a6f686e20502e20536d697468
    04
82
                                                             unsigned(4) - pubKeyCredParams
                                                             array(2)
map(2)
        a2
                                                          # map(2)

# text(3)

# "alg"

# -7 (ES256)

# text(4)

# "type"

# text(10)

# "public-key"

# map(2)
             63
                 616c67
             26
64
                 74797065
             6a
                 7075626C69632D6B6579
                                                             map(2)
                                                          # map(2)
# text(3)
# "alg"
# -257 (RS256)
# "text(4)
# "type"
             63
                 616c67
             390100
                 74797065
                                                             "type"
text(10)
"public-key"
                 7075626C69632D6B6579
    07
a1
                                                          # unsigned(7) - options
# map(1)
```

```
# text(16)
# "keyStorageDevice"
                                  6b657953746f72616765446576696
                                  365
                             f5
                                                                                  # primitive(21)
authenticatorMakeCredential Response response:
                                                                                 # status = success
                                                                                    map(3)
                                                                                    unsigned(1)
text(6)
"packed"
                         01
                         66
                             7061636b6564
                                                                                    unsigned(2)
                         58 9a
                                                                                    bytes(154)
                             c289c5ca9b0460f9346ab4e42d842743
                                                                                    authData
                             404d31f4846825a6d065be597a87051d
410000000bf8a011f38c0a4d15800617
                              111f9edc7d00108959cead5b5c48164e
                                                                                    . . .
                             8abcd6d9435c6fa363616c6765455332
                                                                                    ...
                              353661785820f7c4f4a6f1d79538dfa4
                             c9ac50848df708bc1c99f5e60e51b42a
                                                                                    ...
                             521b35d3b69a61795820de7b7d6ca564
e70ea321a4d5d96ea00ef0e2db89dd61
                                                                                    . . .
                             d4894c15ac585bd23684
                                                                                    unsigned(3)
                                                                                    map(3)
text(3)
                         a3
                             63
                                                                                    "alg"
-7 (ES256)
                                  616c67
                                                                                    text(3)
"sig"
                             63
                                  736967
                                                                                    bytes(71)
                             58 47
                                  3045022013f73c5d9d530e8cc15cc
9bd96ad586d393664e462d5f05612
                                                                                    signature...
                                                                                    . . .
                                  35e6350f2b728902210090357ff91
0ccb56ac5b596511948581c8fddb4
                                                                                    . . .
                                  a2b79959948078b09f4bdc6229
                             63
                                                                                    text(3)
"x5c"
                                  783563
                                                                                  # array(1)
                                  59 0197
                                                                                 # bytes(407)
# certificate...
                                      3082019330820138a003020102
020900859b726cb24b4c29300a
                                                                                    . . .
                                      06082a8648ce3d040302304731
0b300906035504061302555331
                                                                                    . . .
                                      143012060355040a0c0b597562
69636f20546573743122302006
0355040b0c1941757468656e74
696361746f7220417474657374
                                                                                    . . .
                                                                                   ٠...
                                       6174696f6e301e170d31363132
30343131353530305a170d3236
                                                                                    . . .
                                       313230323131353530305a3047
                                       310b3009060355040613025553
                                      31143012060355040a0c0b5975
6269636f205465737431223020
060355040b0c1941757468656e
                                                                                  # ...
                                       74696361746f72204174746573
746174696f6e3059301306072a
                                      8648ce3d020106082a8648ce3d
03010703420004ad11eb0e8852
                                       e53ad5dfed86b41e6134a18ec4
                                       elaf8f22la3c7d6e636c80ea13
                                       c3d504ff2e76211bb44525b196
                                      c44cb4849979cf6f896ecd2bb8
60de1bf4376ba30d300b300906
                                      03551d1304023000300a06082a
8648ce3d040302034900304602
                                       2100e9a39f1b03197525f7373e
10ce77e78021731b94d0c03f3f
                                                                                 # ...
                                      da1fd22db3d030e7022100c4fa
ec3445a820cf43129cdb00aabe
                                       fd9ae2d874f9c5d343cb2f113d
```

### **EXAMPLE 5**

The following is a complete encoding example of the authenticatorGetAssertion command and the corresponding authenticatorGetAssertion Response response:

```
02
a4
                                                   authenticatorGetAssertion command
                                                   map(4)
unsigned(1)
                                                   text(8)
"acme.com
   68
       61636d652e636f6d
                                                   unsigned(2)
   58 20
                                                   bytes(32)
clientDataHash
       687134968222ec17202e42505f8ed2b1
       6ae22f16bb05b88c25db9e602645f141
                                                   unsigned(3)
   03
                                                   array(2)
map(2)
   82
       a2
          62
                                                   text(2)
"id"
              6964
                                                 # bvtes(64)
           58 40
              f22006de4f905af68a43942f02
4f2a5ece603d9c6d4b3df8be08
                                                   credential ID
                                                   . . .
               ed01fc442646d034858ac75bed
               3fd580bf9808d94fcbee82b9b2
                                                   . . .
               ef6677af0adcc35852ea6b9e
                                                   ...
text(4)
                                                   "type" text(10)
              74797065
           6a
              7075626C69632D6B6579
                                                   "public-key' map(2)
          62
                                                   text(2)
               6964
                                                   "id"
                                                 # bytes(50)
           58 32
               0303030303030303030303030303
                                                   credential ID
               03030303030303030303030303
```

```
03030303030303030303030303
                                 0303030303030303030303
                                                                         ...
text(4)
                                 74797065
                                                                         "type"
text(10)
                             6a
                                                                      # "public-key
# unsigned(5)
# map(1)
                                 7075626C69632D6B6579
                     05
                     a1
                                                                      # text(2)
# "uv"
                         62
                             747569
                         f5
authenticatorGetAssertion_Response response:
                                                                      # status = success
# map(5)
# unsigned(1)
                                                                         map(5)
unsigned(1) - Credential
                     01
                     a2
                                                                         map(2)
                         62
                                                                         text(2)
"id"
                             6964
                         58 40
                                                                      # bytes(64)
# credentialId
                             f22006de4f905af68a43942f024f2
                             a5ece603d9c6d4b3df8be08ed01fc
                                                                         . . .
                             442646d034858ac75bed3fd580bf9
808d94fcbee82b9b2ef6677af0adc
                             c35852ea6b9e
                                                                         text(4)
                                                                      # "type"
# text(10)
# "public-key"
                             74797065
                         6a
                             7075626C69632D6B6579
                                                                         unsigned(2)
                     58 25
                                                                         bytes(37)
                         625ddadf743f5727e66bba8c2e387922
dlaf43c503d9114a8fba104d84d02bfa
                         0100000011
                                                                         unsigned(3)
                                                                         bytes(71)
                                                                      # signature
# ...
                         304502204a5a9dd39298149d904769b5
1a451433006f182a34fbdf66de5fc717
                         d75fb350022100a46b8ea3c3b933821c
                         6e7f5ef9daae94ab47f18db474c74790
                         eaabb14411e7a0
                     04
                                                                         unsigned(4) - publicKeyCredentialUserEntity
                     a4
                                                                         map(4)
text(11)
                        6b
                                                                         "displayName"
text(13)
"John P. Smith"
                            646973706c61794e616d65
                        6d
                            4a6f686e20502e20536d697468
                        64
                                                                         text(4)
"name"
                            6e616d65
                                                                         text(22)
"johnpsmith@example.com"
                            6a6f686e70736d697468406578616d
                            706c652e636f6d
                                                                      # text(2)
# "id"
# bytes(32)
                        62
                            6964
                         58 20
                            3082019330820138a003020102
3082019330820138a003020102
                                                                        text(4)
"icon"
text(40)
"https://pics.acme.com/00/p/aBjjjpqPb.png"
                            308201933082
                            69636f6e
                         7828
68747470733a2f2f706963732e6163
                            6d652e636f6d2f30302f702f61426a
                            6a6a707150622e706e67
                     05
01
                                                                       # unsigned(5) - numberofCredentials
                                                                      # unsigned(1)
```

# 6.2 Responses

All responses are structured as:

Name	Length	Required?	Definition
Status	1 byte	Required	The status of the response. 0x00 means success; all other values are errors. See the table in the next section for error values.
Response Data	variable	Optional	CBOR encoded set of values.

Response data is encoded using a CBOR map (CBOR major type 5). The CBOR map must be encoded using the definite length variant.

For each response message, the map keys and value types are specified below:

Response Message	Member Name	Key	Value type
authenticatorMakeCredential_Response	fmt	0x01	text string (CBOR major type 3).
	authData	0x02	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	attStmt	0x03	definite length map (CBOR major type 5).
authenticatorGetAssertion_Response	credential	0x01	definite length map (CBOR major type 5).
	authData	0x02	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	signature	0x03	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	publicKeyCredentialUserEntity	0x04	definite length map (CBOR major type 5). must not be present if UV bit is not set.
	numberOfCredentials	0x05	unsigned integer(CBOR major type 0).
authenticatorGetNextAssertion_Response	credential	0x01	definite length map (CBOR major type 5).

	authData signature	0x02 0x03	byte string (CBOR major type 2). byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	publicKeyCredentialUserEntity	0x04	definite length map (CBOR major type 5).
authenticatorGetInfo_Response	versions	0x01	definite length array (CBOR major type 4) of UTF-8 encoded strings (CBOR major type 3).
	extensions	0x02	definite length array (CBOR major type 4) of UTF-8 encoded strings (CBOR major type 3).
	aaguid	0x03	byte string (CBOR major type 2). 16 bytes in length and encoded the same as MakeCredential AuthenticatorData, as specified in [WebAuthN].
	options	0x04	Definite length map (CBOR major type 5) of key-value pairs where keys are UTF8 strings (CBOR major type 3) and values are booleans (CBOR simple value 21).
	maxMsgSize	0x05	CBOR definite length array (CBOR major type 4) of CBOR unsigned integers (CBOR major type 0) This is the maximum message size supported by the authenticator.
	pinProtocols	0x06	array of unsigned integers (CBOR major type). This is the list of pinProtocols supported by the Authenticator.
authenticatorClientPIN_Response	keyAgreement	0x01	Authenticator public key in COSE_KEY format.
	<u>pinToken</u>	0x02	byte string (CBOR major type 2).
	retries	0x03	Unsigned integer (CBOR major type 0). This is number of retries left before lockout.

# 6.3 Error Responses

The error response values range from 0x01 - 0xff. This range is split based on error type.

Error response values in the range between CTAP2\_OK and CTAP2\_ERR\_SPEC\_LAST are reserved for spec purposes.

Error response values in the range between CTAP2\_ERR\_VENDOR\_FIRST and CTAP2\_ERR\_VENDOR\_LAST may be used for vendor-specific implementations. All other response values are reserved for future use and may not be used. These vendor specific error codes are not interoperable and the platform should treat these errors as any other unknown error codes.

Error response values in the range between CTAP2\_ERR\_EXTENSION\_FIRST and CTAP2\_ERR\_EXTENSION\_LAST may be used for extension-specific implementations. These errors need to be interoperable for vendors who decide to implement such optional extension

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Code	Name	Description
0x00	CTAP1_ERR_SUCCESS	Indicates successful response.
0x01	CTAP1_ERR_INVALID_COMMAND	The command is not a valid CTAP command.
0x02	CTAP1_ERR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The command included an invalid parameter.
0x03	CTAP1_ERR_INVALID_LENGTH	Invalid message or item length.
0x04	CTAP1_ERR_INVALID_SEQ	Invalid message sequencing.
0x05	CTAP1_ERR_TIMEOUT	Message timed out.
0x06	CTAP1_ERR_CHANNEL_BUSY	Channel busy.
0x0A	CTAP1_ERR_LOCK_REQUIRED	Command requires channel lock.
0x0B	CTAP1_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	Command not allowed on this cid.
0x10	CTAP2_ERR_CBOR_PARSING	Error while parsing CBOR.
0x11	CTAP2_ERR_CBOR_UNEXPECTED_TYPE	Invalid/unexpected CBOR error.
0x12	CTAP2_ERR_INVALID_CBOR	Error when parsing CBOR.
0x13	CTAP2_ERR_INVALID_CBOR_TYPE	Invalid or unexpected CBOR type.
0x14	CTAP2_ERR_MISSING_PARAMETER	Missing non-optional parameter.
0x15	CTAP2_ERR_LIMIT_EXCEEDED	Limit for number of items exceeded.
0x16	CTAP2_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_EXTENSION	Unsupported extension.
0x17	CTAP2_ERR_TOO_MANY_ELEMENTS	Limit for number of items exceeded.
0x18	CTAP2_ERR_EXTENSION_NOT_SUPPORTED	Unsupported extension.
0x19	CTAP2_ERR_CREDENTIAL_EXCLUDED	Valid credential found in the exludeList.
0x20	CTAP2_ERR_CREDENTIAL_NOT_VALID	Credential not valid for authenticator.
0x21	CTAP2_ERR_PROCESSING	Processing (Lengthy operation is in progress).
0x22	CTAP2_ERR_INVALID_CREDENTIAL	Credential not valid for the authenticator.
0x23	CTAP2_ERR_USER_ACTION_PENDING	Authentication is waiting for user interaction.
0x24	CTAP2_ERR_OPERATION_PENDING	Processing, lengthy operation is in progress.
0x25	CTAP2_ERR_NO_OPERATIONS	No request is pending.
0x26	CTAP2_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_ALGORITHM	Authenticator does not support requested algorithm.
0x27	CTAP2_ERR_OPERATION_DENIED	Not authorized for requested operation.
0x28	CTAP2_ERR_KEY_STORE_FULL	Internal key storage is full.
0x29	CTAP2_ERR_NOT_BUSY	Authenticator cannot cancel as it is not busy.
0x2A	CTAP2_ERR_NO_OPERATION_PENDING	No outstanding operations.

0x2B	CTAP2_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_OPTION	Unsupported option.
0x2C	CTAP2_ERR_INVALID_OPTION	Unsupported option.
0x2D	CTAP2_ERR_KEEPALIVE_CANCEL	Pending keep alive was cancelled.
0x2E	CTAP2_ERR_NO_CREDENTIALS	No valid credentials provided.
0x2F	CTAP2_ERR_USER_ACTION_TIMEOUT	Timeout waiting for user interaction.
0x30	CTAP2_ERR_NOT_ALLOWED	Continuation command, such as, authenticatorGetNextAssertion not allowed.
0x31	CTAP2_ERR_PIN_INVALID	PIN Blocked.
0x32	CTAP2_ERR_PIN_BLOCKED	PIN Blocked.
0x33	CTAP2_ERR_PIN_AUTH_INVALID	PIN authentication, pinAuth, verification failed.
0x34	CTAP2_ERR_PIN_AUTH_BLOCKED	PIN authentication, pinAuth, blocked. Requires power recycle to reset.
0x35	CTAP2_ERR_PIN_NOT_SET	No PIN has been set.
0x36	CTAP2_ERR_PIN_REQUIRED	PIN is required for the selected operation.
0x37	CTAP2_ERR_PIN_POLICY_VIOLATION	PIN policy violation. Currently only enforces minimum length.
0x38	CTAP2_ERR_PIN_TOKEN_EXPIRED	pinToken expired on authenticator.
0x39	CTAP2_ERR_REQUEST_TOO_LARGE	Authenticator cannot handle this request due to memory constraints.
0x7F	CTAP1_ERR_OTHER	Other unspecified error.
0xDF	CTAP2_ERR_SPEC_LAST	CTAP 2 spec last error.
0xE0	CTAP2_ERR_EXTENSION_FIRST	Extension specific error.
0xEF	CTAP2_ERR_EXTENSION_LAST	Extension specific error.
0xF0	CTAP2_ERR_VENDOR_FIRST	Vendor specific error.
0xFF	CTAP2_ERR_VENDOR_LAST	Vendor specific error.

# 7. Interoperating with CTAP1/U2F authenticators

This section defines how a platform maps CTAP2 requests to CTAP1/U2F requests and CTAP1/U2F responses to CTAP2 responses in order to support CTAP1/U2F authenticators via CTAP2. CTAP2 requests can be mapped to CTAP1/U2F requests provided the CTAP2 request does not have parameters that only CTAP2 authenticators can fulfill. The processes for RPs to use to verify CTAP1/U2F based authenticatorMakeCredential and authenticatorGetAssertion responses are also defined below. Platform may choose to skip this feature and work only with CTAP devices.

# 7.1 Using the CTAP2 authenticatorMakeCredential Command with CTAP1/U2F authenticators

Platform follows the following procedure (Fig: Mapping: WebAuthn authenticatorMakeCredential to and from CTAP1/U2F Registration Messages):

- Platform tries to get information about the authenticator by sending authenticatorGetInfo command as specified in <u>CTAP2 protocol overview</u>.
  - CTAP1/U2F authenticator returns a command error or improperly formatted CBOR response. For any failure, platform may fall back to CTAP1/U2F protocol.
- 2. Map CTAP2 authenticatorMakeCredential request to <u>U2F\_REGISTER</u> request.
  - Platform verifies that CTAP2 request does not have any parameters that CTAP1/U2F authenticators cannot fulfill.
    - All of the below conditions must be true for the platform to proceed to next step. If any of the below conditions is not true, platform errors out with CTAP2\_ERR\_OPTION\_NOT\_SUPPORTED.
      - pubKeyCredParams must use the ES256 algorithm (-7).
      - Options must not include "rk" set to true.
      - Options must not include "uv" set to true.
    - If excludeList is not empty:
      - If the excludeList is not empty, the platform must send signing request with check-only control byte to the CTAP1/U2F authenticator using each of the credential ids (key handles) in the excludeList. If any of them does not result in an error, that means that this is a known device. Afterwards, the platform must still send a dummy registration request (with a dummy appid and invalid challenge) to CTAP1/U2F authenticators that it believes are excluded. This makes it so the user still needs to touch the CTAP1/U2F authenticator before the RP gets told that the token is already registered.
  - Use clientDataHash parameter of CTAP2 request as CTAP1/U2F challenge parameter (32 bytes).
  - Let rpIdHash be a byte array of size 32 initialized with SHA-256 hash of rp.id parameter as CTAP1/U2F application parameter (32 bytes).
- 3. Send the U2F\_REGISTER request to the authenticator as specified in [U2FRawMsqs] spec.
- 4. Map the U2F registration response message (see the "Registration Response Message: Success" section of [U2FRawMsgs]) to a CTAP2 authenticatorMakeCredential response message:
  - Generate authenticatorData from the <u>U2F registration response message</u> received from the authenticator:
    - Initialize attestationData:
      - Let <u>credentialIdLength</u> be a 2-byte unsigned big-endian integer representing length of the Credential ID initialized with CTAP1/U2F response key handle length.
      - Let credentialID be a credentialIdLength byte array initialized with CTAP1/U2F response key handle bytes.
      - Let x9encodedUserPublicKey be the user public key returned in the U2F registration response message [U2FRawMsgs]. Let coseEncodedCredentialPublicKey be the result of converting x9encodedUserPublicKey's value from ANS X9.62 / Sec-1 v2 uncompressed curve point representation [SEC1V2] to COSE\_Key representation ([RFC8152] Section 7).
      - Let attestationData be a byte array with following structure:

Length (in bytes)	Description	Value
16	The AAGUID of the authenticator.	Initialized with all zeros.
2	Byte length L of Credential ID	Initialized with credentialIdLength bytes.

credentialIdLength	Credential ID.	Initialized with credentialID bytes.
77	The credential public key.	Initialized with <pre>coseEncodedCredentialPublicKey</pre> bytes.

- - Let flags be a byte whose zeroth bit (bit 0, UP) is set, and whose sixth bit (bit 6, AT) is set, and all other bits are zero (bit zero is the least significant bit). See also Authenticator Data section of [WebAuthN].
  - Let signCount be a 4-byte unsigned integer initialized to zero.
  - Let authenticatorData be a byte array with the following structure:

Length (in bytes)	Description	Value
32	SHA-256 hash of the rp.id.	Initialized with rpIdHash bytes.
1	Flags	Initialized with flags' value.
4	Signature counter (signCount).	Initialized with signCount bytes.
Variable Length	Attestation Data.	Initialized with attestationData'S value.

- · Let attestationStatement be a CBOR map (see "attStmtTemplate" in Generating an Attestation Object [WebAuthN]) with the following keys whose values are as follows:
  - Set "x5c" as an array of the one attestation cert extracted from CTAP1/U2F response.
  - Set "sig"'s value to be the "signature" bytes from the U2F registration response message [U2FRawMsgs].
- Let attestationObject be a CBOR map (see "attObj" in Attestation object [WebAuthN]) with the following keys whose values are as follows:
  - Set "authData"'s value to authenticatorData.
  - Set "fmt"'s value to "fido-u2f".
  - Set "attStmt"'s value to attestationStatement
- 5. Return attestationObject to the caller.

```
Sample CTAP2 authenticatorMakeCredential Request (CBOR):
```

```
3: {"id": "1098237235409872",
    "name": "johnpsmith@example.com",
    "icon": "https://pics.acme.com/00/p/aBjjjpqPb.png",
    "displayName": "John P. Smith"},
4: [{"type": "public-key", "alg": -7},
    {"type": "public-key", "alg": -257}]}
```

# CTAP1/U2F Request from above CTAP2 authenticatorMakeCredential request

```
687134968222 {\tt EC17202E42505F8ED2B16AE22F16BB05B88C25DB9E602645F141}
                                                                        # clientdatahash
1194228DA8FDBDEEFD261BD7B6595CFD70A50D70C6407BCF013DE96D4EFB17DE
                                                                       # rpidhash
```

# Sample CTAP1/U2F Response from the device

```
04E87625896EE4E46DC032766E8087962F36DF9DFE8B567F3763015B1990A60E
1427DE612D66418BDA1950581EBC5C8C1DAD710CB14C22F8C97045F4612FB20C
91
3EBD89BF77EC509755EE9C2635EFAAAC7B2B9C5CEF1736C3717DA48534C8C6B6
54D7FF945F50B5CC4E78055BDD396B64F78DA2C5F96200CCD415CD08FE420038
3082024A30820132A0030201020204046C8822300D06092A864886F70D01010B
0500302E312C302A0603550403132359756269636F2055324620526F6F742043
412053657269616C203435373230303633313020170D3134303830313030303
30305A180F323035303039303430303030305A302C312A302806035504030C
2159756269636F205532462045452053657269616C2032343931383233323437
37303059301306072A8648CE3D020106082A8648CE3D030107034200043CCAB9
2CCB97287EE8E639437E21FCD6B6F165B2D5A3F3DB131D31C16B742BB476D8D1
322E312E323013060B2B0601040182E51C020101040403020430300D06092A86\\4886F70D01010B050003820101009F9B052248BC4CF42CC5991FCAABAC9B651B
BE5BDCDC8EF0AD2C1C1FFB36D18715D42E78B249224F92C7E6E7A05C49F0E7E4
C881BF2E94F45E4A21833D7456851D0F6C145A29540C874F3092C934B43D222B
8962C0F410CEF1DB75892AF116B44A96F5D35ADEA3822FC7146F6004385BCB69
B65C99E7EB6919786703C0D8CD41E8F75CCA44AA8AB725AD8E799FF3A8696A6F
1B2656E631B1E40183C08FDA53FA4A8F85A05693944AE179A1339D002D15CABD
810090EC722EF5DEF9965A371D415D624B68A2707CAD97BCDD1785AF97E258F3
3DF56A031AA0356D8E8D5EBCADC74E071636C6B110ACE5CC9B90DFEACAE640FF
1BB0F1FE5DB4EFF7A95F060733F5
30450220324779C68F3380288A1197B6095F7A6EB9B1B1C127F66AE12A99FE85
32EC23B9022100E39516AC4D61EE64044D50B415A6A4D4D84BA6D895CB5AB7A1
AA7D081DE341FA
```

# Authenticator Data from CTAP1/U2F Response

```
1194228 \mathtt{DA8FDBDEEFD261BD7B6595CFD70A50D70C6407BCF013DE96D4EFB17DE}
0000000
3EBD89BF77EC509755EE9C2635EFAAAC7B2B9C5CEF1736C3717DA48534C8C6B6
54D7FF945F50B5CC4E78055BDD396B64F78DA2C5F96200CCD415CD08FE420038
A5010203262001215820E87625896EE4E46DC032766E8087962F36DF9DFE8B56
  3763015B1990A60E1422582027DE612D66418BDA1950581EBC5C8C1DAD710C
B14C22F8C97045F4612FB20C91
```

```
rpidhash
flags
  Sign Count
AAGUID
  Key Handle Length (1 Byte)
Key Handle (Key Handle Length Bytes)
# Public Key
```

# Reserved Byte (1 Byte)
# User Public Key (65 Bytes)

. . .

. . . . . .

. . .

. . .

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. . .

. . . . . .

. . .

Key Handle Length (1 Byte)

Signature (variable Length)

Key Handle (Key Handle Length Bytes) X.509 Cert (Variable length Cert)

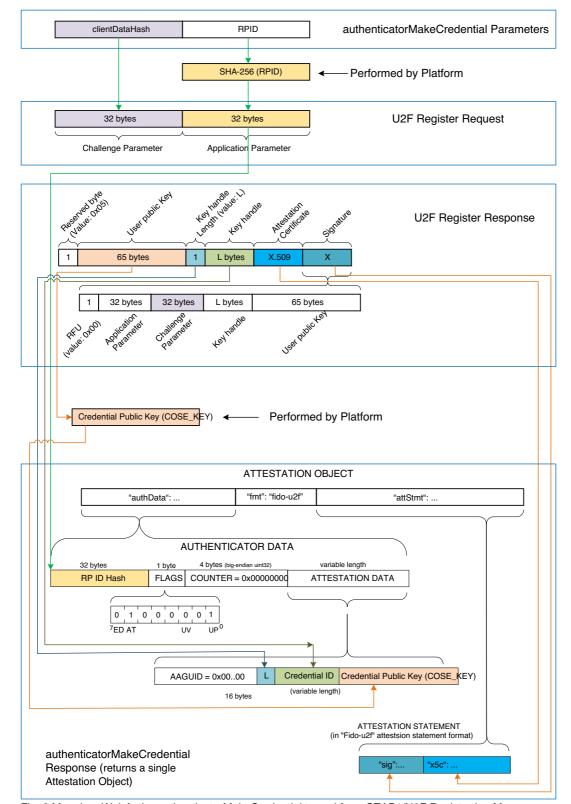


Fig. 2 Mapping: WebAuthn authenticatorMakeCredential to and from CTAP1/U2F Registration Messages.

# 7.2 Using the CTAP2 authenticatorGetAssertion Command with CTAP1/U2F authenticators

Platform follows the following procedure (Fig: Mapping: WebAuthn authenticatorGetAssertion to and from CTAP1/U2F Authentication Messages):

- Platform tries to get information about the authenticator by sending authenticatorGetInfo command as specified in <u>CTAP2 protocol overview</u>.
  - CTAP1/U2F authenticator returns a command error or improperly formatted CBOR response. For any failure, platform may fall back to CTAP1/U2F protocol.
- 2. Map CTAP2 authenticatorGetAssertion request to <a href="U2F"><u>U2F AUTHENTICATE</u></a> request:
  - Platform verifies that CTAP2 request does not have any parameters that CTAP1/U2F authenticators cannot fulfill:
    - All of the below conditions must be true for the platform to proceed to next step. If any of the below conditions is not true, platform errors out with CTAP2\_ERR\_OPTION\_NOT\_SUPPORTED.
      - Options must not include "uv" set to true.
      - allowList must have at least one credential.
  - If allowList has more than one credential, platform has to loop over the list and send individual different U2F\_AUTHENTICATE commands to the authenticator. For each credential in credential list, map CTAP2

authenticatorGetAssertion request to <u>U2F\_AUTHENTICATE\_</u>as below:

- Let controlByte be a byte initialized as follows:
  - For USB, set it to 0x07 (check-only). This should prevent call getting blocked on waiting for user input. If response returns success, then call again setting the enforce-user-presence-and-sign.
  - For NFC, set it to 0x03 (enforce-user-presence-and-sign). The tap has already provided the presence and won't block.
- Use clientDataHash parameter of CTAP2 request as CTAP1/U2F challenge parameter (32 bytes).
- Let rpIdHash be a byte array of size 32 initialized with SHA-256 hash of rp.id parameter as CTAP1/U2F application parameter (32 bytes).
- Let credentialID is the byte array initialized with the id for this PublicKeyCredentialDescriptor.
- Let keyHandleLength be a byte initialized with length of credentialID byte array.
- Let u2fAuthenticateRequest be a byte array with the following structure:

Length (in bytes)	Description	Value
1	Control Byte	Initialized with controlByte's value.
32	Challenge parameter	Initialized with clientDataHash parameter bytes.
32	Application parameter	Initialized with rpIdHash bytes.
1	Key handle length	Initialized with keyHandleLength'S value.
keyHandleLength	Key handle	Initialized with credentialID bytes.

- 3. Send u2fAuthenticateRequest to the authenticator.
- 4. Map the U2F authentication response message (see the "Authentication Response Message: Success" section of [U2FRawMsgs]) to a CTAP2 authenticatorGetAssertion response message:
  - Generate authenticatorData from the <u>U2F authentication response message</u> received from the authenticator:
    - Let <u>flags</u> be a byte whose zeroth bit (bit 0, UP) is set to 1 if CTAP1/U2F response user presence byte is set to 1, and all other bits are zero (bit zero is the least significant bit). See also Authenticator Data section of [WebAuthN].
    - Let signCount be a 4-byte unsigned integer initialized with CTAP1/U2F response counter field.
    - Let authenticatorData is a byte array of following structure:

Length (in bytes)	Description	Value
32	SHA-256 hash of the rp.id.	Initialized with rpIdHash bytes.
1	Flags	Initialized with flags' value.
4	Signature counter (signCount)	Initialized with signCount bytes.

- Let authenticatorGetAssertionResponse be a CBOR map with the following keys whose values are as follows:
  - Set 0x01 with the credential from allowList that whose response succeeded.
  - Set 0x02 with authenticatorData bytes.
  - Set 0x03 with signature field from CTAP1/U2F authentication response message.

```
Sample CTAP2 authenticatorGetAssertion Request (CBOR):
   {1: "acme.com",
   2: h'687134968222EC17202E42505F8ED2B16AE22F16BB05B88C25DB9E602645F141',
    54D7FF945F50B5CC4E78055BDD396B64F78DA2C5F96200CCD415CD08FE420038'}],
    5: {"up": true}}
CTAP1/U2F Request from above CTAP2 authenticatorGetAssertion request
   687134968222EC17202E42505F8ED2B16AE22F16BB05B88C25DB9E602645F141
                                                                                # clientdatahash
                                                                                # rpidhash
# Key Handle Length (1 Byte)
   1194228DA8FDBDEEFD261BD7B6595CFD70A50D70C6407BCF013DE96D4EFB17DE
   3EBD89BF77EC509755EE9C2635EFAAAC7B2B9C5CEF1736C3717DA48534C8C6B6
54D7FF945F50B5CC4E78055BDD396B64F78DA2C5F96200CCD415CD08FE420038
                                                                                # Key Handle (Key Handle Length Bytes)
Sample CTAP1/U2F Response from the device
                                                                                # User Presence (1 Byte)
# Sign Count (4 Bytes)
# Signature (variable Length)
# ...
   0000003B
   304402207BDE0A52AC1F4C8B27E003A370CD66A4C7118DD22D5447835F45B99C
68423FF702203C517B47877F85782DE10086A783D1E7DF4E3639E771F5F6AFA3
   5AAD5373858E
Authenticator Data from CTAP1/U2F Response
   \tt 1194228DA8FDBDEEFD261BD7B6595CFD70A50D70C6407BCF013DE96D4EFB17DE
                                                                                # rpidhash
                                                                                # User Presence (1 Byte)
# Sign Count (4 Bytes)
   0000003B
Mapped CTAP2 authenticatorGetAssertion response(CBOR)
   3: h 304402207BDE0A52AC1F4C8B27E003A370CD66A4C7118DD22D5447835F45B99C
68423FF702203C517B47877F85782DE10086A783D1E7DF4E3639E771F5F6AFA3
          5AAD5373858E'}
```

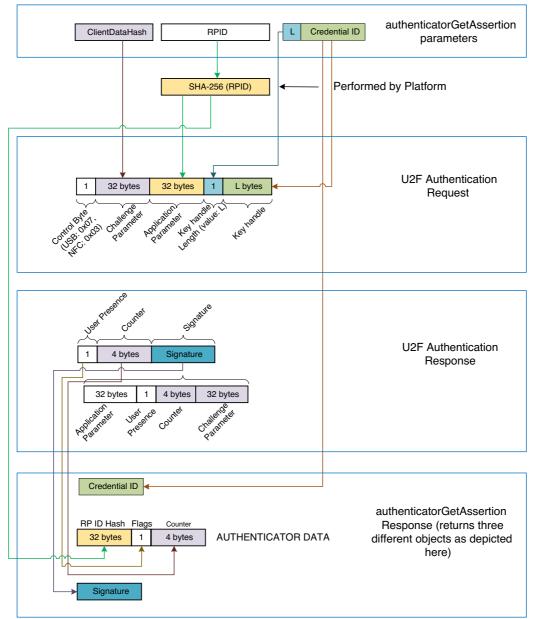


Fig. 3 Mapping: WebAuthn authenticatorGetAssertion to and from CTAP1/U2F Authentication Messages.

# 8. Transport-specific Bindings

#### 8.1 USB

# 8.1.1 Design rationale

CTAP messages are framed for USB transport using the HID (Human Interface Device) protocol. We henceforth refer to the protocol as CTAPHID. The CTAPHID protocol is designed with the following design objectives in mind

- · Driver-less installation on all major host platforms
- · Multi-application support with concurrent application access without the need for serialization and centralized dispatching.
- · Fixed latency response and low protocol overhead
- Scalable method for CTAPHID device discovery

Since HID data is sent as interrupt packets and multiple applications may access the HID stack at once, a non-trivial level of complexity has to be added to handle this.

# 8.1.2 Protocol structure and data framing

The CTAP protocol is designed to be concurrent and state-less in such a way that each performed function is not dependent on previous actions. However, there has to be some form of "atomicity" that varies between the characteristics of the underlying transport protocol, which for the CTAPHID protocol introduces the following terminology:

- Transaction
- Message
- Packet

A **transaction** is the highest level of aggregated functionality, which in turn consists of a request, followed by a response message. Once a request has been initiated, the transaction has to be entirely completed before a second transaction can take place and a response is never sent without a previous request. Transactions exist only at the highest CTAP protocol layer.

Request and response **messages** are in turn divided into individual fragments, known as **packets**. The packet is the smallest form of protocol data unit, which in the case of CTAPHID are mapped into HID reports.

#### 8.1.3 Concurrency and channels

Additional logic and overhead is required to allow a CTAPHID device to deal with multiple "clients", i.e. multiple applications accessing the single resource through the HID stack. Each client communicates with a CTAPHID device through a logical **channel**, where each application uses a unique 32-bit **channel identifier** for routing and arbitration purposes.

A channel identifier is allocated by the FIDO authenticator device to ensure its system-wide uniqueness. The actual algorithm for generation of channel identifiers is vendor specific and not defined by this specification.

Channel ID 0 is reserved and 0xffffffff is reserved for broadcast commands, i.e. at the time of channel allocation.

### 8.1.4 Message and packet structure

Packets are one of two types, **initialization packets** and **continuation packets**. As the name suggests, the first packet sent in a message is an initialization packet, which also becomes the start of a transaction. If the entire message does not fit into one packet (including the CTAPHID protocol overhead), one or more continuation packets have to be sent in strict ascending order to complete the message transfer.

A message sent from a host to a device is known as a**request** and a message sent from a device back to the host is known as a **response**. A request always triggers a response and response messages are never sent ad-hoc, i.e. without a prior request message. However, a keep-alive message can be sent between a request and a response message.

The request and response messages have an identical structure. A transaction is started with the initialization packet of the request message and ends with the last packet of the response message.

Packets are always fixed size (defined by the endpoint and HID report descriptors) and although all bytes may not be needed in a particular packet, the full size always has to be sent. Unused bytes should be set to zero.

An initialization packet is defined as

Offset	Length	Mnemonic	Description
0	4	CID	Channel identifier
4	1	CMD	Command identifier (bit 7 always set)
5	1	BCNTH	High part of payload length
6	1	BCNTL	Low part of payload length
7	(s - 7)	DATA	Payload data (s is equal to the fixed packet size)

The command byte has always the highest bit set to distinguish it from a continuation packet, which is described below.

A continuation packet is defined as

Offset	Length	Mnemonic	Description
0	4	CID	Channel identifier
4	1	SEQ	Packet sequence 0x000x7f (bit 7 always cleared)
5	(s - 5)	DATA	Payload data (s is equal to the fixed packet size)

With this approach, a message with a payload less or equal to (s - 7) may be sent as one packet. A larger message is then divided into one or more continuation packets, starting with sequence number 0, which then increments by one to a maximum of 127.

With a packet size of 64 bytes (max for full-speed devices), this means that the maximum message payload length is 64 - 7 + 128 \* (64 - 5) = 7609 bytes.

# 8.1.5 Arbitration

In order to handle multiple channels and clients concurrency, the CTAPHID protocol has to maintain certain internal states, block conflicting requests and maintain protocol integrity. The protocol relies on each client application (channel) behaves politely, i.e. does not actively act to destroy for other channels. With this said, a malign or malfunctioning application can cause issues for other channels. Expected errors and potentially stalling applications should however, be handled properly.

8.1.5.1 Transaction atomicity, idle and busy states.

A transaction always consists of three stages:

- A message is sent from the host to the device
- 2. The device processes the message
- 3. A response is sent back from the device to the host

The protocol is built on the assumption that a plurality of concurrent applications may try ad-hoc to perform transactions at any time, with each transaction being atomic, i.e. it cannot be interrupted by another application once started.

The application channel that manages to get through the first initialization packet when the device is in idle state will keep the device locked for other channels until the last packet of the response message has been received. The device then returns to idle state, ready to perform another transaction for the same or a different channel. Between two transactions, no state is maintained in the device and a host application must assume that any other process may execute other transactions at any time.

If an application tries to access the device from a different channel while the device is busy with a transaction, that request will immediately fail with a busy-error message sent to the requesting channel.

#### 8.1.5.2 Transaction timeout

A transaction has to be completed within a specified period of time to prevent a stalling application to cause the device to be completely locked out for access by other applications. If for example an application sends an initialization packet that signals that continuation packets will follow and that application crashes, the device will back out that pending channel request and return to an idle state.

### 8.1.5.3 Transaction abort and re-synchronization

If an application for any reason "gets lost", gets an unexpected response or error, it may at any time issue an abort-and-resynchronize command. If the device detects an INIT command during a transaction that has the same channel id as the active transaction, the transaction is aborted (if possible) and all buffered data flushed (if any). The device then returns to idle state to become ready for a new transaction.

#### 8.1.5.4 Packet sequencing

The device keeps track of packets arriving in correct and ascending order and that no expected packets are missing. The device will continue to assemble a message until all parts of it has been received or that the transaction times out. Spurious continuation packets appearing without a prior initialization packet will be ignored.

# 8.1.6 Channel locking

In order to deal with aggregated transactions that may not be interrupted, such as tunneling of vendor-specific commands, a channel lock command may be implemented. By sending a channel lock command, the device prevents other channels from communicating with the device until the channel lock has timed out or been explicitly unlocked by the application.

This feature is optional and has not to be considered by general CTAP HID applications.

#### 8.1.7 Protocol version and compatibility

The CTAPHID protocol is designed to be extensible, yet maintaining backwards compatibility to the extent it is applicable. This means that a CTAPHID host shall support any version of a device with the command set available in that particular version.

#### 8.1.8 HID device implementation

This description assumes knowledge of the USB and HID specifications and is intended to provide the basics for implementing a CTAPHID device. There are several ways to implement USB devices and reviewing these different methods is beyond the scope of this document. This specification targets the interface part, where a device is regarded as either a single or multiple interface (composite)

The description further assumes (but is not limited to) a full-speed USB device (12 Mbit/s). Although not excluded per se, USB low-speed devices are not practical to use given the 8-byte report size limitation together with the protocol overhead.

# 8.1.8.1 Interface and endpoint descriptors

The device implements two endpoints (except the control endpoint 0), one for IN and one for OUT transfers. The packet size is vendor defined, but the reference implementation assumes a full-speed device with two 64-byte endpoints.

#### **Interface Descriptor**

Mnemonic	Value	Description
bNumEndpoints	2	One IN and one OUT endpoint
bInterfaceClass	0x03	HID
bInterfaceSubClass	0x00	No interface subclass
bInterfaceProtocol	0x00	No interface protocol

# **Endpoint 1 descriptor**

Mnemonic	Value	Description
bmAttributes	0x03	Interrupt transfer
bEndpointAdresss	0x01	1, OUT
bMaxPacketSize	64	64-byte packet max
bInterval	5	Poll every 5 millisecond

# **Endpoint 2 descriptor**

Mnemonic	Value	Description
bmAttributes	0x03	Interrupt transfer
bEndpointAdresss	0x81	1, IN
bMaxPacketSize	64	64-byte packet max

blnterval	5	Poll every 5	
l		l millisecond	

The actual endpoint order, intervals, endpoint numbers and endpoint packet size may be defined freely by the vendor and the host application is responsible for querying these values and handle these accordingly. For the sake of clarity, the values listed above are used in the following examples.

### 8.1.8.2 HID report descriptor and device discovery

A HID report descriptor is required for all HID devices, even though the reports and their interpretation (scope, range, etc.) makes very little sense from an operating system perspective. The CTAPHID just provides two "raw" reports, which basically map directly to the IN and OUT endpoints. However, the HID report descriptor has an important purpose in CTAPHID, as it is used for device discovery.

For the sake of clarity, a bit of high-level C-style abstraction is provided

```
EXAMPLE 8

// HID report descriptor

const uint8 t HID_ReportDescriptor[] = {
    HID_UsagePage ( FIDO_USAGE_PAGE ),
    HID_Usage ( FIDO_USAGE_CTAPHID ),
    HID_Usage ( FIDO_USAGE_DATA_IN ),
    HID_Usage ( FIDO_USAGE_DATA_IN ),
    HID_LogicalMin ( 0 ),
    HID_LogicalMans ( 0xff ),
    HID_ReportSize ( 8 ),
    HID_ReportCount ( HID_INPUT_REPORT_BYTES ),
    HID_Input ( HID_Data | HID_Absolute | HID_Variable ),
    HID_LogicalMans ( 0xff ),
    HID_LogicalMans ( 0xff ),
    HID_LogicalMans ( 0xff ),
    HID_ReportSize ( 8 ),
    HID_ReportCount ( HID_OUTPUT_REPORT_BYTES ),
    HID_ReportCount ( HID_Data | HID_Absolute | HID_Variable ),
    HID_ReportCount ( HID_Data | HID_Absolute | HID_Variable ),
    HID_ReportCount ( HID_Data | HID_Absolute | HID_Variable ),
    HID_EndCollection
};
```

A unique **Usage Page** is defined (0xF1D0) for the FIDO alliance and under this realm, a CTAPHID **Usage** is defined as well (0x01). During CTAPHID device discovery, all HID devices present in the system are examined and devices that match this usage pages and usage are then considered to be CTAPHID devices.

The length values specified by the HID\_INPUT\_REPORT\_BYTES and the HID\_OUTPUT\_REPORT\_BYTES should typically match the respective endpoint sizes defined in the endpoint descriptors.

#### 8.1.9 CTAPHID commands

The CTAPHID protocol implements the following commands.

### 8.1.9.1 Mandatory commands

The following list describes the minimum set of commands required by an CTAPHID device. Optional and vendor-specific commands may be implemented as described in respective sections of this document.

# 8.1.9.1.1 CTAPHID\_MSG (0x03)

This command sends an encapsulated CTAP1/U2F message to the device. The semantics of the data message is defined in the U2F Raw Message Format encoding specification. Please note that keep-alive messages may be sent from the device to the client before the response message is returned.

# Request

CMD	CTAPHID_MSG
BCNT	1(n + 1)
DATA	U2F command byte
DATA + 1	n bytes of data

#### Response at success

CMD	CTAPHID_MSG
BCNT	1(n + 1)
DATA	U2F status code
DATA + 1	n bytes of data

This command sends an encapsulated CTAP CBOR encoded message. The semantics of the data message is defined in the CTAP Message encoding specification.

#### Request

CMD	CTAPHID_CBOR
BCNT	1(n + 1)
DATA	CTAP command byte
DATA + 1	n bytes of CBOR encoded data

#### Response at success

CMD	CTAPHID_MSG
BCNT	1(n + 1)
DATA	CTAP status code
DATA + 1	n bytes of CBOR encoded data

# 8.1.9.1.3 CTAPHID\_INIT (0x06)

This command has two functions.

If sent on an allocated CID, it synchronizes a channel, discarding the current transaction, buffers and state as quickly as possible. It will then be ready for a new transaction. The device then responds with the CID of the channel it received the INIT on, using that channel.

If sent on the broadcast CID, it requests the device to allocate a unique 32-bit channel identifier (CID) that can be used by the requesting application during its lifetime. The requesting application generates a nonce that is used to match the response. When the response is received, the application compares the sent nonce with the received one. After a positive match, the application stores the received channel id and uses that for subsequent transactions.

To allocate a new channel, the requesting application shall use the broadcast channel CTAPHID\_BROADCAST\_CID (0xFFFFFFF). The device then responds with the newly allocated channel in the response, using the broadcast channel.

#### Request

CMD	CTAPHID_INIT
BCNT	8
DATA	8-byte nonce

### Response at success

CMD	CTAPHID_INIT	
BCNT	17 (see note below)	
DATA	8-byte nonce	
DATA+8	4-byte channel ID	
DATA+12	CTAPHID protocol version identifier	
DATA+13	Major device version number	
DATA+14	Minor device version number	
DATA+15	Build device version number	
DATA+16	Capabilities flags	

The protocol version identifies the protocol version implemented by the device. An CTAPHID host shall accept a response size that is longer than the anticipated size to allow for future extensions of the protocol, yet maintaining backwards compatibility. Future versions will maintain the response structure to this current version, but additional fields may be added.

The meaning and interpretation of the version number is vendor defined.

The following device capabilities flags are defined. Unused values are reserved for future use and must be set to zero by device vendors.

CAPABILITY_WINK	If set to 1, authenticator implements CTAPHID_WINK function
CAPABILITY_CBOR	If set to 1, authenticator implements CTAPHID_CBOR function
CAPABILITY_NMSG	If set to 1, authenticator DOES NOT implement CTAPHID_MSG function

Sends a transaction to the device, which immediately echoes the same data back. This command is defined to be a uniform function for debugging, latency and performance measurements.

# Request

CMD	CTAPHID_PING
BCNT	0n
DATA	n bytes

# Response at success

CMD	CTAPHID_PING
BCNT	n
DATA	N bytes

# 8.1.9.1.5 CTAPHID\_CANCEL (0x11)

Cancel any outstanding requests on this CID.

# Request

CMD	CTAPHID_CANCEL
BCNT	0

### Response at success

CMD	CTAPHID_CANCEL
BCNT	0

# 8.1.9.1.6 CTAPHID\_ERROR (0x3F)

This command code is used in response messages only.

CMD	CTAPHID_ERROR
BCNT	1
DATA	Error code

The following error codes are defined

ERR_INVALID_CMD	The command in the request is invalid
ERR_INVALID_PAR	The parameter(s) in the request is invalid
ERR_INVALID_LEN	The length field (BCNT) is invalid for the request
ERR_INVALID_SEQ	The sequence does not match expected value
ERR_MSG_TIMEOUT	The message has timed out
ERR_CHANNEL_BUSY	The device is busy for the requesting channel

# 8.1.9.1.7 CTAPHID\_KEEPALIVE (0x3B)

This command code is sent while processing a CTAPHID\_MSG. It should be sent at least every 100ms and whenever the status changes.

CMD	CTAPHID_KEEPALIVE
BCNT	1
DATA	Status code

The following status codes are defined

STATUS_PROCESSING	1	The authenticator is still processing the current request.
STATUS_UPNEEDED	2	The authenticator is waiting for user presence.

The following commands are defined by this specification but are optional and does not have to be implemented.

### 8.1.9.2.1 CTAPHID\_WINK (0x08)

The wink command performs a vendor-defined action that provides some visual or audible identification a particular authenticator device. A typical implementation will do a short burst of flashes with a LED or something similar. This is useful when more than one device is attached to a computer and there is confusion which device is paired with which connection.

#### Request

CMD	CTAPHID_WINK
BCNT	0
DATA	N/A

#### Response at success

CMD	CTAPHID_WINK
BCNT	0
DATA	N/A

# 8.1.9.2.2 CTAPHID\_LOCK (0x04)

The lock command places an exclusive lock for one channel to communicate with the device. As long as the lock is active, any other channel trying to send a message will fail. In order to prevent a stalling or crashing application to lock the device indefinitely, a lock time up to 10 seconds may be set. An application requiring a longer lock has to send repeating lock commands to maintain the lock.

#### Request

CMD	CTAPHID_LOCK
BCNT	
DATA	Lock time in seconds 010. A value of 0 immediately releases the lock

#### Response at success

CMD	CTAPHID_LOCK
BCNT	0
DATA	N/A

#### 8.1.9.3 Vendor specific commands

A CTAPHID may implement additional vendor specific commands that are not defined in this specification, yet being CTAPHID compliant. Such commands, if implemented must have a command in the range between CTAPHID\_VENDOR\_FIRST (0x40) and CTAPHID\_VENDOR\_LAST (0x7F).

### 8.2 ISO7816, ISO14443 and Near Field Communication (NFC)

### 8.2.1 Conformance

Please refer to [ISOIEC-7816-4-2013] for APDU definition.

### 8.2.2 Protocol

The general protocol between a FIDO2 client and an authenticator over ISO7816/ISO14443 is as follows:

- 1. Client sends an applet selection command
- 2. Authenticator replies with success if the applet is present
- 3. Client sends a command for an operation
- 4. Authenticator replies with response data or error

# 8.2.3 Applet selection

A successful Select allows the client to know that the applet is present and active. A client shall send a Select to the authenticator before any other command.

The FIDO2 AID consists of the following fields:

Field	Value
RID	0xA000000647
AC	0x2f
AX	0x0001

The command to select the FIDO applet is:

CLA	INS	P1	P2	Lc	Data In	Le
0x00	0xA4	0x04	0x0C	0x08	AID	TBD (version string length)

In response to the applet selection command, the FIDO authenticator replies with its version information string in the successful response.

Given legacy support for CTAP1/U2F, the client must determine the capabilities of the device at the selection stage.

- If the authenticator implements CTAP1/U2F, the version information shall be the string U2F\_V2 to maintain backwards-compatibility with CTAP1/U2F-only clients.
- If the authenticator ONLY implements CTAP2, the deviceshall respond with data that is NOT U2F\_V2.
- If the authenticator implements both CTAP1/U2F and CTAP2, the version information shall be the string U2F\_V2 to maintain backwards-compatibility with CTAP1/U2F-only clients. CTAP2-aware clients may then issue a CTAP authenticatorGetInfo command to determine if the device supports CTAP2 or not.

# 8.2.4 Framing

Conceptually, framing defines an encapsulation of FIDO2 commands. In NFC, this encapsulation is done in an APDU following [ISOIEC-7816-4-2013]. Fragmentation, if needed, is discussed in the following paragraph.

#### 8.2.4.1 Commands

Commands shall have the following format:

CLA	INS	P1	P2	Data In	Le
0x80	0x10	0x00	0x00	CTAP Command Byte II CBOR Encoded Data	Variable

#### 8.2.4.2 Response

Response shall have the following format in case of success:

Case	Data	Status word
Success	Response data	"9000" - Success
Status update	Status data	"9100" - OK When receiving this, CTAP will immediately issue an NFCCTAP_GETREPONSE command unless a cancel was issued. CTAP will provide the status data to the higher layers.
Errors		See [ISOIEC-7816-4-2013]

# 8.2.5 Fragmentation

APDU command may hold up to 255 or 65535 bytes of data using short or extended length encoding respectively. APDU response may hold up to 256 or 65536 bytes of data using short or extended length encoding respectively.

Some requests may not fit into a short APDU command, or the expected response may not fit in a short APDU response. For this reason, FIDO2 client may encode APDU command in the following way:

- The request may be encoded using extended length APDU encoding.
- The request may be encoded using short APDU encoding. If the request does not fit a short APDU command, the client must use ISO 7816-4 APDU chaining.

Some responses may not fit into a short APDU response. For this reason, FIDO2 authenticators must respond in the following way:

- If the request was encoded using extended length APDU encoding, the authenticator must respond using the extended length APDU response format.
- If the request was encoded using short APDU encoding, the authenticator must respond using ISO 7816-4 APDU chaining.

# 8.2.6 Commands

# 8.2.6.1 NFCCTAP\_MSG (0x10)

The NFCCTAP\_MSG command send a CTAP message to the authenticator. This commandshall return as soon as processing is done. If the operation was not completed, it may return a 0x9100 result to trigger NFCCTAP\_GETRESPONSE functionality if the client indicated support by setting the relevant bit in P1.

The values for P1 for the NFCCTAP\_MSG command are:

P1 Bits	Meaning
0x80	The client supports NFCCTAP_GETRESPONSE
0x7F	RFU, must be 0x00
OX71	THE O, HIGHE DE OXOG

Values for P2 are all RFU and must be set to 0.

### NFCCTAP\_GETRESPONSE (0x11)

The NFCCTAP\_GETRESPONSE command is issued up to receiving 0x9100 unless a cancel was issued. This command shall return a 0x9100 result with a status indication if it has a status update, the reply to the request with a 0x9000 result code to indicate success or an error value.

All values for P1 and P2 are RFU and must be set to 0x00.

#### 8.2.7 Bluetooth Smart / Bluetooth Low Energy Technology

#### 8.2.7.1 Conformance

Authenticator and Client devices using Bluetooth Low Energy Technology shall conform to Bluetooth Core Specification 4.0 or later IBTCORE1

Bluetooth SIG specified UUID values shall be found on the Assigned Numbers website [BTASSNUM]

#### 8.2.7.2 Pairing

Bluetooth Low Energy Technology is a long-range wireless protocol and thus has several implications for privacy, security, and overall user-experience. Because it is wireless, Bluetooth Low Energy Technology may be subject to monitoring, injection, and other network-level attacks.

For these reasons, Clients and Authenticators must create and use a long-term link key (LTK) and shall encrypt all communications. Authenticator must never use short term keys.

Because Bluetooth Low Energy Technology has poor ranging (i.e., there is no good indication of proximity), it may not be clear to a FIDO Client with which Bluetooth Low Energy Technology Authenticator it should communicate. Pairing is the only mechanism defined in this protocol to ensure that FIDO Clients are interacting with the expected Bluetooth Low Energy Technology Authenticator. As a result, Authenticator manufacturers should instruct users to avoid performing Bluetooth pairing in a public space such as a cafe, shop or train station.

One disadvantage of using standard Bluetooth pairing is that the pairing is "system-wide" on most operating systems. That is, if an Authenticator is paired to a FIDO Client which resides on an operating system where Bluetooth pairing is "system-wide", then any application on that device might be able to interact with an Authenticator. This issue is discussed further in Implementation Considerations.

#### 8.2.7.3 Link Security

For Bluetooth Low Energy Technology connections, the Authenticator shall enforce security Mode 1, Level 2 (unauthenticated pairing with encryption) or Security Mode 1, Level 3 (authenticated pairing with encryption) before any FIDO messages are exchanged.

# 8.2.7.4 Framing

Conceptually, framing defines an encapsulation of FIDO raw messages responsible for correct transmission of a single request and its response by the transport layer.

All requests and their responses are conceptually written as a single frame. The format of the requests and responses is given first as complete frames. Fragmentation is discussed next for each type of transport layer.

# 8.2.7.4.1 Request from Client to Authenticator

Request frames must have the following format

Offset	Length	Mnemonic	Description
0	1	CMD	Command identifier
1	1	HLEN	High part of data length
2	1	LLEN	Low part of data length
3	S	DATA	Data (s is equal to the length)

Supported commands are PING, MSG and CANCEL. The constant values for them are described below.

The CANCEL command cancels any outstanding MSG commands.

The data format for the MSG command is defined in the Message Encoding section of this document.

### 8.2.7.4.2 Response from Authenticator to Client

Response frames must have the following format, which share a similar format to the request frames:

Offset	Length	Mnemonic	Description
0	1	STAT	Response status
1	1	HLEN	High part of data length
2	1	LLEN	Low part of data length
3	s	DATA	Data (s is equal to the length)

When the status byte in the response is the same as the command byte in the request, the response is a successful response. The value ERROR indicates an error, and the response data contains an error code as a variable-length, big-endian integer. The constant value for ERROR is described below.

Note that the errors sent in this response are errors at the encapsulation layer, *e.g.*, indicating an incorrectly formatted request, or possibly an error communicating with the Authenticator's FIDO message processing layer. Errors reported by the FIDO message processing layer itself are considered a success from the encapsulation layer's point of view, and are reported as a complete MSG response.

Data format is defined in the Message Encoding section of this document.

### 8.2.7.4.3 Command, Status, and Error constants

The COMMAND constants and values are:

Constant	Value
PING	0x81
KEEPALIVE	0x82
MSG	0x83
CANCEL	0xbe
ERROR	0xbf

The KEEPALIVE command contains a single byte with the following possible values:

Status Constant	Value
PROCESSING	0x01
UP_NEEDED	0x02
RFU	0x00, 0x03-0xFF

The ERROR constants and values are:

Error Constant	Value	Meaning
ERR_INVALID_CMD	0x01	The command in the request is unknown/invalid
ERR_INVALID_PAR	0x02	The parameter(s) of the command is/are invalid or missing
ERR_INVALID_LEN	0x03	The length of the request is invalid
ERR_INVALID_SEQ	0x04	The sequence number is invalid
ERR_REQ_TIMEOUT	0x05	The request timed out
NA	0x06	Value reserved (HID)
NA	0x0a	Value reserved (HID)
NA	0x0b	Value reserved (HID)
ERR_OTHER	0x7f	Other, unspecified error

# 8.2.7.5 GATT Service Description

This profile defines two roles: FIDO Authenticator and FIDO Client.

- The FIDO Client shall be a GATT Client
- The FIDO Authenticator shall be a GATT Server

The <u>following figure</u> illustrates the mandatory services and characteristics that <u>shall</u> be offered by a FIDO Authenticator as part of its GATT server:

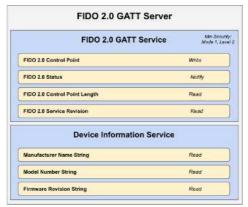


Fig. 4 Mandatory GATT services and characteristics that must be offered by a FIDO Authenticator. Note that the Generic

Access Service ([BTGAS] is not present as it is already mandatory for any Bluetooth Low Energy Technology compliant device

The table below summarizes additional GATT sub-procedure requirements for a FIDO Authenticator (GATT Server) beyond those required by all GATT Servers.

GATT Sub-Procedure	Requirements
Write Characteristic Value	Mandatory
Notifications	Mandatory
Read Characteristic Descriptors	Mandatory
Write Characteristic Descriptors	Mandatory

The table below summarizes additional GATT sub-procedure requirements for a FIDO Client (GATT Client) beyond those required by all GATT Clients.

GATT Sub-Procedure	Requirements
Discover All Primary Services	(*)
Discover Primary Services by Service UUID	(*)
Discover All Characteristics of a Service	(**)
Discover Characteristics by UUID	(**)
Discover All Characteristic Descriptors	Mandatory
Read Characteristic Value	Mandatory
Write Characteristic Value	Mandatory
Notification	Mandatory
Read Characteristic Descriptors	Mandatory
Write Characteristic Descriptors	Mandatory

(\*): Mandatory to support at least one of these sub-procedures.

(\*\*): Mandatory to support at least one of these sub-procedures.

Other GATT sub-procedures may be used if supported by both client and server.

Specifics of each service are explained below. In the following descriptions: all values are big-endian coded, all strings are in UTF-8 encoding, and any characteristics not mentioned explicitly are optional.

#### 8.2.7.5.1 FIDO Service

An Authenticator shall implement the FIDO Service described below. The UUID for the FIDO GATT service is <code>0xfffd</code>, it shall be declared as a Primary Service. The service contains the following characteristics:

<b>Characteristic Name</b>	Mnemonic	Property	Length	UUID
FIDO Control Point	fidoControlPoint	Write	Defined by Vendor (20- 512 bytes)	F1D0FFF1-DEAA-ECEE-B42F- C9BA7ED623BB
FIDO Status	fidoStatus	Notify	N/A	F1D0FFF2-DEAA-ECEE-B42F- C9BA7ED623BB
FIDO Control Point Length	fidoControlPointLength	Read	2 bytes	F1D0FFF3-DEAA-ECEE-B42F- C9BA7ED623BB
FIDO Service Revision Bitfield	fidoServiceRevisionBitfield	Read/Write	Defined by Vendor (1+ bytes)	F1D0FFF4-DEAA-ECEE-B42F- C9BA7ED623BB
FIDO Service Revision	fidoServiceRevision	Read	Defined by Vendor (20- 512 bytes)	0x2A28

fidoControlPoint is a write-only command buffer.

fidostatus is a notify-only response attribute. The Authenticator will send a series of notifications on this attribute with a maximum length of (ATT\_MTU-3) using the response frames defined above. This mechanism is used because this results in a faster transfer speed compared to a notify-read combination.

fidoControlPointLength defines the maximum size in bytes of a single write request to fidoControlPoint. This value shall be between 20 and 512.

fidoServiceRevision is a deprecated field that is only relevant to U2F 1.0 support. It defines the revision of the U2F Service. The value is a UTF-8 string. For version 1.0 of the specification, the value fidoServiceRevision Shall be 1.0 or in raw bytes: 0x312e30. This field shall be omitted if protocol version 1.0 is not supported.

The fidoServiceRevision Characteristic may include a Characteristic Presentation Format descriptor with format value 0x19, UTF-8 String.

fidoServiceRevisionBitfield defines the revision of the FIDO Service. The value is a bit field which each bit representing a version. For each version bit the value is 1 if the version is supported, 0 if it is not. The length of the bitfield is 1 or more bytes. All bytes that are 0 are omitted if all the following bytes are 0 too. The byte order is big endian. The client shall write a value to this characteristic with exactly 1 bit set before sending any FIDO commands unless u2fServiceRevision is present and U2F 1.0 compatibility is desired. If only U2F version 1.0 is supported, this characteristic shall be omitted.

Byte (left to right)	Bit	Version
0	7	U2F 1.1

0	6	U2F 1.2
0	5	FIDO 2.0
0	4-0	Reserved

For example, a device that only supports FIDO2 Rev 1 will only have a fidoServiceRevisionBitfield characteristic of length 1 with value 0x20.

#### 8.2.7.5.2 Device Information Service

An Authenticator shall implement the Device Information Service [BTDIS] with the following characteristics:

- · Manufacturer Name String
- · Model Number String
- · Firmware Revision String

All values for the Device Information Service are left to the vendors. However, vendors should not create uniquely identifiable values so that Authenticators do not become a method of tracking users.

#### 8.2.7.5.3 Generic Access Profile Service

Every Authenticator shall implement the Generic Access Profile Service [BTGAS] with the following characteristics:

- Device Name
- Appearance

#### 8.2.7.6 Protocol Overview

The general overview of the communication protocol follows:

- 1. Authenticator advertises the FIDO Service.
- 2. Client scans for Authenticator advertising the FIDO Service.
- 3. Client performs characteristic discovery on the Authenticator.
- 4. If not already paired, the Client and Authenticatorshall perform BLE pairing and create a LTK. Authenticator shall only allow connections from previously bonded Clients without user intervention.
- 5. Client checks if the fidoServiceRevisionBitfield characteristic is present. If so, the client selects a supported version by writing a value with a single bit set.
- 6. Client reads the fidoControlPointLength characteristic.
- 7. Client registers for notifications on the fidoStatus characteristic.
- 8. Client writes a request (e.g., an enroll request) into the fidoControlPoint characteristic.
- 9. Authenticator evaluates the request and responds by sending notifications over fidostatus characteristic.
- 10. The protocol completes when either:
  - The Client unregisters for notifications on the fidoStatus characteristic, or:
  - The connection times out and is closed by the Authenticator.

#### 8.2.7.7 Authenticator Advertising Format

When advertising, the Authenticator shall advertise the FIDO service UUID.

When advertising, the Authenticator may include the TxPower value in the advertisement (see [BTXPLAD]).

When advertising in pairing mode, the Authenticatorshall either: (1) set the LE Limited Mode bit to zero and the LE General Discoverable bit to one OR (2) set the LE Limited Mode bit to one and the LE General Discoverable bit to zero. When advertising in non-pairing mode, the Authenticator shall set both the LE Limited Mode bit and the LE General Discoverable Mode bit to zero in the Advertising Data Flags.

The advertisement may also carry a device name which is distinctive and user-identifiable. For example, "ACME Key" would be an appropriate name, while "XJS4" would not be.

The Authenticator shall also implement the Generic Access Profile [BTGAP] and Device Information Service [BTDIS], both of which also provide a user-friendly name for the device that could be used by the Client.

It is not specified when or how often an Authenticator should advertise, instead that flexibility is left to manufacturers.

#### 8.2.7.8 Requests

Clients should make requests by connecting to the Authenticator and performing a write into the fidoControlPoint characteristic.

# 8.2.7.9 Responses

Authenticators should respond to Clients by sending notifications on the fidostatus characteristic.

Some Authenticators might alert users or prompt them to complete the test of user presence (*e.g.*, via sound, light, vibration) Upon receiving any request, the Authenticators shall send KEEPALIVE commands every **kKeepAliveMillis** milliseconds until completing processing the commands. While the Authenticator is processing the request the KEEPALIVE command will contain status **PROCESSING**. If

the Authenticator is waiting to complete the Test of User Presence, the KEEPALIVE command will contains status up\_needed. While waiting to complete the Test of User Presence, the Authenticator may alert the user (e.g., by flashing) in order to prompt the user to complete the test of user presence. As soon the Authenticator has completed processing and confirmed user presence, it shall stop sending KEEPALIVE commands and send the reply.

Upon receiving a KEEPALIVE command, the Clientshall assume the Authenticator is still processing the command; the Client shall not resend the command. The Authenticator shall continue sending KEEPALIVE messages at least every kKeepAliveMillis to indicate that it is still handling the request. Until a client-defined timeout occurs, the Client shall not move on to other devices when it receives a KEEPALIVE with UP\_NEEDED status, as it knows this is a device that can satisfy its request.

#### 8.2.7.10 Framing fragmentation

A single request/response sent over Bluetooth Low Energy Technology may be split over multiple writes and notifications, due to the inherent limitations of Bluetooth Low Energy Technology which is not currently meant for large messages. Frames are fragmented in the following way:

A frame is divided into an initialization fragment and one or more continuation fragments.

An initialization fragment is defined as:

Offse	t Length	Mnemonic	Description
0	1	CMD	Command identifier
1	1	HLEN	High part of data length
2	1	LLEN	Low part of data length
3	0 to (maxLen - 3)	DATA	Data

where maxLen is the maximum packet size supported by the characteristic or notification.

In other words, the start of an initialization fragment is indicated by setting the high bit in the first byte. The subsequent two bytes indicate the total length of the frame, in big-endian order. The first maxLen - 3 bytes of data follow.

Continuation fragments are defined as:

Offset	Length	Mnemonic	Description
0	1	SEQ	Packet sequence 0x000x7f (high bit always cleared)
1	0 to (maxLen - 1)	DATA	Data

where maxLen is the maximum packet size supported by the characteristic or notification.

In other words, continuation fragments begin with a sequence number, beginning at 0, implicitly with the high bit cleared. The sequence number must wrap around to 0 after reaching the maximum sequence number of 0x7f.

Example for sending a PING command with 40 bytes of data with a maxLen of 20 bytes:

Frame	Bytes
0	[810028] [17 bytes of data]
1	[00] [19 bytes of data]
2	[01] [4 bytes of data]

Example for sending a ping command with 400 bytes of data with a maxLen of 512 bytes:

Frame	Bytes				
0	[810190]	[400	bytes	of	data]

### 8.2.7.11 Notifications

A client needs to register for notifications before it can receive them. Bluetooth Core Specification 4.0 or later [BTCORE] forces a device to remember the notification registration status over different connections [BTCCC]. Unless a client explicitly unregisters for notifications, the registration will be automatically restored when reconnecting. A client may therefor check the notification status upon connection and only register if notifications aren't already registered. Please note that some clients may disable notifications from a power management point of view (see below) and the notification registration is remembered per bond, not per client. A client must not remember the notification status in its own data storage.

# 8.2.7.12 Implementation Considerations

### 8.2.7.12.1 Bluetooth pairing: Client considerations

As noted in the Pairing section, a disadvantage of using standard Bluetooth pairing is that the pairing is "system-wide" on most operating systems. That is, if an Authenticator is paired to a FIDO Client which resides on an operating system where Bluetooth pairing is "system-wide", then any application on that device might be able to interact with an Authenticator. This poses both security and privacy risks to users

While Client operating system security is partly out of FIDO's scope, further revisions of this specification may propose mitigations for this issue.

The method to put the Authenticator into Pairing Mode should be such that it is not easy for the user to do accidentally **especially** if the pairing method is Just Works. For example, the action could be pressing a physically recessed button or pressing multiple buttons. A visible or audible cue that the Authenticator is in Pairing Mode should be considered. As a counter example, a silent, long press of a single non-recessed button is not advised as some users naturally hold buttons down during regular operation.

Note that at times, Authenticators may legitimately receive communication from an unpaired device. For example, a user attempts to use an Authenticator for the first time with a new Client: he turns it on, but forgets to put the Authenticator into pairing mode. In this situation, after connecting to the Authenticator, the Client will notify the user that he needs to pair his Authenticator. The Authenticator should make it easy for the user to do so, e.g., by not requiring the user to wait for a timeout before being able to enable pairing mode.

Some Client platforms (most notably iOS) do not expose the AD Flag LE Limited and General Discoverable Mode bits to applications. For this reason, Authenticators are also strongly recommended to include the Service Data field [BTSD] in the Scan Response. The Service Data field is 3 or more octets long. This allows the Flags field to be extended while using the minimum number of octets within the data packet. All octets that are 0x00 are not transmitted as long as all other octets after that octet are also 0x00 and it is not the first octet after the service UUID. The first 2 bytes contain the FIDO Service UUID, the following bytes are flag bytes.

To help Clients show the correct UX, Authenticators can use the Service Data field to specify whether or not Authenticators will require a Passkey (PIN) during pairing.

Service Data Bit	Meaning (if set)
7	Device is in pairing mode.
6	Device requires Passkey Entry [BTPESTK].

#### 8.2.7.13 Handling command completion

It is important for low-power devices to be able to conserve power by shutting down or switching to a lower-power state when they have satisfied a Client's requests. However, the FIDO protocol makes this hard as it typically includes more than one command/response. This is especially true if a user has more than one key handle associated with an account or identity, multiple key handles may need to be tried before getting a successful outcome. Furthermore, Clients that fail to send follow-up commands in a timely fashion may cause the Authenticator to drain its battery by staying powered up anticipating more commands.

A further consideration is to ensure that a user is not confused about which command she is confirming by completing the test of user presence. That is, if a user performs the test of user presence, that action should perform exactly one operation.

We combine these considerations into the following series of recommendations:

- Upon initial connection to an Authenticator, and upon receipt of a response from an Authenticator, if a Client has more commands
  to issue, the Client must transmit the next command or fragment within kMaxCommandTransmitDelayMillis milliseconds.
- Upon final response from an Authenticator, if the Client decides it has no more commands to send it should indicate this by
  disabling notifications on the fidostatus characteristic. When the notifications are disabled the Authenticator may enter a low
  power state or disconnect and shut down.
- Any time the Client wishes to send a FIDO message, it must have first enabled notifications on the fidostatus characteristic and wait for the ATT acknowledgement to be sure the Authenticator is ready to process messages.
- Upon successful completion of a command which required a test of user presence, e.g. upon a successful authentication or registration command, the Authenticator can assume the Client is satisfied, and may reset its state or power down.
- Upon sending a command response that did not consume a test of user presence, the Authenticator must assume that the Client may wish to initiate another command, and leave the connection open until the Client closes it or until a timeout of at least kkrrorwaitMillis elapses. Examples of command responses that do not consume user presence include failed authenticate or register commands, as well as get version responses, whether successful or not. After kkrrorwaitMillis milliseconds have elapsed without further commands from a Client, an Authenticator may reset its state or power down.

Constant	Value
kMaxCommandTransmitDelayMillis	1500 milliseconds
kErrorWaitMillis	2000 milliseconds
kKeepAliveMillis	500 milliseconds

### 8.2.7.14 Data throughput

Bluetooth Low Energy Technology does not have particularly high throughput, this can cause noticeable latency to the user if request/responses are large. Some ways that implementers can reduce latency are:

- Support the maximum MTU size allowable by hardware (up to the 512-byte max from the BLE specifications).
- Make the attestation certificate as small as possible; do not include unnecessary extensions.

# 8.2.7.15 Advertising

Though the standard does not appear to mandate it (in any way that we've found thus far), advertising and device discovery seems to work better when the Authenticators advertise on all 3 advertising channels and not just one.

### 8.2.7.16 Authenticator Address Type

In order to enhance the user's privacy and specifically to guard against tracking, it is recommended that Authenticators use Resolvable Private Addresses (RPAs) instead of static addresses.

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### Abstract

The FIDO family of protocols introduce a new security concept, Application Facets, to describe the scope of user credentials and how a trusted computing base which supports application isolation may make access control decisions about which keys can be used by which applications

This document describes the motivations for and requirements for implementing the Application Facet concept and how it applies to the FIDO protocols.

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### 1. Notation

Type names, attribute names and element names are written ascode.

String literals are enclosed in "", e.g. "UAF-TLV".

In formulas we use "I" to denote byte wise concatenation operations.

This document applies to both the U2F protocol and the UAF protocol. UAF specific terminology used in this document is defined in [FIDOGlossary].

All diagrams, examples, notes in this specification are non-normative.

### 1.1 Key Words

The key words "must", "must not", "required", "shall", "shall not", "should not", "recommended", "may", and "optional" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

# 2. Overview

This section is non-normative.

Modern networked applications typically present several ways that a user can interact with them. This document introduces the concept of an *Application Facet* to describe the identities of a single logical application across various platforms. For example, the application MyBank may have an Android app, an iOS app, and a Web app accessible from a browser. These are all facets of the MyBank application.

The FIDO architecture provides for simpler and stronger authentication than traditional username and password approaches while avoiding many of the shortfalls of alternative authentication schemes. At the core of the FIDO protocols are challenge and response operations performed with a public/private keypair that serves as a user's credential.

To minimize frequently-encountered issues around privacy, entanglements with concepts of "identity", and the necessity for trusted third parties, keys in FIDO are tightly scoped and dynamically provisioned between the user and each Relying Party and only optionally associated with a server-assigned username. This approach contrasts with, for example, traditional PKIX client certificates as used in TLS, which introduce a trusted third party, mix in their implementation details identity assertions with holder-of-key cryptographic proofs, lack audience restrictions, and may even be sent in the cleartext portion of a protocol handshake without the user's notification or consent.

While the FIDO approach is preferable for many reasons, it introduces several challenges.

- What set of Web origins and native applications (facets) make up a single logical application and how can they be reliably identified?
- How can we avoid making the user register a new key for each web browser or application on their device that accesses services controlled by the same target entity?
- How can access to registered keys be shared without violating the security guarantees around application isolation and protection from malicious code that users expect on their devices?
- How can a user roam credentials between multiple devices, each with a user-friendly Trusted Computing Base for FIDO?

This document describes how FIDO addresses these goals (where adequate platform mechanisms exist for enforcement) by allowing an application to declare a credential scope that crosses all the various facets it presents to the user.

### 2.1 Motivation

FIDO conceptually sets a scope for registered keys to the tuple of (Username, Authenticator, Relying Party). But what constitutes a Relying Party? It is quite common for a user to access the same set of services from a Relying Party, on the same device, in one or more web browsers as well as one or more dedicated apps. As the Relying Party may require the user to perform a costly ceremony in order to prove her identity and register a new FIDO key, it is undesirable that the user should have to repeat this ceremony multiple times on the same device, once for each browser or app.

### 2.2 Avoiding App-Phishing

FIDO provides for user-friendly verification ceremonies to allow access to registered keys, such as entering a simple PIN code and touching a device, or scanning a finger. It should not matter for security purposes if the user re-uses the same verification inputs across Relying Parties, and in the case of a biometric, she may have no choice.

Modern operating systems that use an "app store" distribution model often make a promise to the user that it is "safe to try" any app. They do this by providing strong isolation between applications, so that they may not read each others' data or mutually interfere, and by requiring explicit user permission to access shared system resources.

If a user were to download a maliciously constructed game that instructs her to activate her FIDO authenticator in order to "save your progress" but actually unlocks her banking credential and takes over her account, FIDO has failed, because the risk of phishing has only been moved from the password to an app download. FIDO must not violate a platform's promise that any app is "safe to try" by keeping good custody of the high-value shared state that a registered key represents.

# 2.3 Comparison to OAuth and OAuth2

The OAuth and OAuth2 of protocols were designed for a server-to-server security model with the assumption that each application instance can be issued, and keep, an "application secret". This approach is ill-suited to the "app store" security model. Although it is common for services to provision an OAuth-style application secret into their apps in an attempt to allow only authorized/official apps to connect, any such "secret" is in fact shared among everyone with access to the app store and can be trivially recovered thorough basic reverse engineering.

In contrast, FIDO's facet concept is designed for the "app store" model from the start. It relies on client-side platform isolation features to make

sure that a key registered by a user with a member of a well-behaved "trusted club" stays within that trusted club, even if the user later installs a malicious app, and does not require any secrets hard-coded into a shared package to do so. The user must, however, still make good decisions about which apps and browsers they are willing to preform a registration ceremony with. App store policing can assist here by removing applications which solicit users to register FIDO keys to for Relying Parties in order to make illegitmate or fraudulent use of them.

### 2.4 Non-Goals

The Application Facet concept does not attempt to strongly identify the calling application to a service across a network. Remote attestation of an application identity is an explicit non-goal.

If an unauthorized app can convince a user to provide all the information to it required to register a new FIDO key, the Relying Party cannot use FIDO protocols or the Facet concept to recognize as unauthorized, or deny such an application from performing FIDO operations, and an application that a user has chosen to trust in such a manner can also share access to a key outside of the mechanisms described in this document.

The facet mechanism provides a way for registered keys to maintain their proper scope when created and accessed from a *Trusted Computing Base* (TCB) that provides isolation of malicious apps. A user can also roam their credentials between multiple devices with user-friendly TCBs and credentials will retain their proper scope if this mechanism is correctly implemented by each. However, no guarantees can be made in environments where the TCB is user-hostile, such as a device with malicious code operating with "root" level permissions. On environments that do not provide application isolation but run all code with the privileges of the user, (e.g. traditional desktop operating systems) an intact TCB, including web browsers, may successfully enforce scoping of credentials for web origins only, but cannot meaningfully enforce application scoping.

# 3. The AppID and FacetID Assertions

When a user performs a Registration operation [UAFArchOverview] a new private key is created by their authenticator, and the public key is sent to the Relying Party. As part of this process, each key is associated with an Appld. The Appld is a URL carried as part of the protocol message sent by the server and indicates the target for this credential. By default, the audience of the credential is restricted to the Same Origin of the Appld. In some circumstances, a Relying Party may desire to apply a larger scope to a key. If that Appld URL has the https scheme, a FIDO client may be able to dereference and process it as a TrustedFacetList that designates a scope or audience restriction that includes multiple facets, such as other web origins within the same DNS zone of control of the ApplD's origin, or URLs indicating the identity of other types of trusted facets such as mobile apps.

#### **NOTE**

Users may also register multiple keys on a single authenticator for an AppID, such as for cases where they have multiple accounts. Such registrations may have a Relying Party assigned username or local nicknames associated to allow them to be distinguished by the user, or they may not (e.g. for 2nd factor use cases, the user account associated with a key may be communicated out-of-band to what is specified by FIDO protocols). All registrations that share an AppID, also share these same audience restriction.

# 3.1 Processing Rules for AppID and FacetID Assertions

### 3.1.1 Determining the FacetID of a Calling Application

In the Web case, the FacetIDmust be the Web Origin [RFC6454] of the web page triggering the FIDO operation, written as a URI with an empty path. Default ports are omitted and any path component is ignored.

An example FacetID is shown below:

```
https://login.mycorp.com/
```

In the Android [ANDROID] case, the FacetID must be a URI derived from the Base64 encoded SHA-256 (or SHA-1) hash of the APK signing certificate [APK-Signing]:

```
android:apk-key-hash-sha256:<base64_encoded_sha256_hash-of-apk-signing-cert>
android:apk-key-hash:<base64_encoded_sha1_hash-of-apk-signing-cert>
```

The SHA-1 hash can be computed as follows:

```
# EXAMPLE 1: Computing an APK signing certificate SHA256 hash

# Export the signing certificate in DER format, hash, base64 encode and trim '='

keytool -exportcert \
    -alias <alias-of-entry> \
    -keystore <path-to-apk-signing-keystore> &>2 /dev/null | \
    openss1 sha256 -binary | \
    openss1 base64 | \
    sed 's/=//g'
```

```
# Export the signing certificate in DER format, hash, base64 encode and trim '='
keytool -exportcert \
    -alias <alias-of-entry> \
    -keystore <path-to-apk-signing-keystore> &>2 /dev/null | \
    openss1 shal -binary | \
    openss1 base64 | \
    sed 's/=//g'
```

The Base64 encoding is the the "Base 64 Encoding" from Section 4 in RFC4648], with padding characters removed.

### NOTE

If compatibility with older versions of FIDO Clients (i.e. the ones not yet supporting SHA-256 for FacetIDs) is required, both entries should be specified.

### 3.1.2 Determining if a Caller's FacetID is Authorized for an AppID

- 1. If the AppID is not an HTTPS URL, and matches the FacetID of the caller, no additional processing is necessary and the operation may proceed.
- 2. If the AppID is null or empty, the clientmust set the AppID to be the FacetID of the caller, and the operation may proceed without additional processing.
- 3. If the caller's FacetID is an https:// Origin sharing the same host as the AppID, (e.g. if an application hosted at https://fido.example.com/myApp set an AppID of https://fido.example.com/myAppId), no additional processing is necessary and the operation may proceed. This algorithm may be continued asynchronously for purposes of caching the trustedFacetList, if desired.
- 4. Begin to fetch the TrustedFacetList using the HTTP GET method. The location must be identified with an HTTPS URL.
- The URL must be dereferenced with an <u>anonymous fetch</u>. That is, the HTTP GET must include no cookies, authentication, Origin or Referer headers, and present no TLS certificates or other forms of credentials.
- 6. The response must set a MIME Content-Type of "application/fido.trusted-apps+json".
- 7. The caching related HTTP header fields in the HTTP response (e.g. "Expires")should be respected when fetching a TrustedFacetList.
- 8. The server hosting the **TrustedFacetList must** respond uniformly to all clients. That is, it **must not** vary the contents of the response body based on any credential material, including ambient authority such as originating IP address, supplied with the request.
- 9. If the server returns an HTTP redirect (status code 3xx) the servermust also send the HTTP header FIDO-AppID-Redirect-Authorized: true and the client must verify the presence of such a header before following the redirect. This protects against abuse of open redirectors within the target domain by unauthorized parties. If this check has passed, restart this algorithm from step 4.
- 10. A TrustedFacetList may contain an unlimited number of entries, but clientsmay truncate or decline to process large responses.
- 11. From among the objects in the trustedFacet array, select the one with the version matching that of the protocol message version. With "matching" we mean: the highest version that appears in the TrustedFacetList that is smaller or equal to the actual protocol version being used.
- 12. The scheme of URLs in ids must identify either an application identity (e.g. using the apk:, ios: or similar scheme) or an https: Web Origin [RFC6454].
- 13. Entries in ids using the https://scheme must contain only scheme, host and port components, with an optional trailing /. Any path, query string, username/password, or fragment information must be discarded.
- 14. All Web Origins listed must have host names under the scope of the same least-specific private label in the DNS, using the following algorithm:
  - Obtain the list of public DNS suffixes from <a href="https://publicsuffix.org/list/effective\_tld\_names.dat">https://publicsuffix.org/list/effective\_tld\_names.dat</a> (the client may cache such data), or equivalent functionality as available on the platform.
  - 2. Extract the host portion of the original AppID URL, before following any redirects.
  - 3. The least-specific private label is the portion of the host portion of the AppID URL that matches a most-specific public suffix plus one additional label to the left (also known as 'effective top-level domain'+1 or eTLD+1).
  - 4. For each Web Origin in the TrustedFacetList, the calculation of the least-specific private label in the DNS must be a case-insensitive match of that of the AppID URL itself. Entries that do not match must be discarded.
- 15. If the <u>TrustedFacetList</u> cannot be retrieved and successfully parsed according to these rules, the client <u>must</u> abort processing of the requested FIDO operation.
- 16. After processing the trustedFacets entry of the correct version and removing any invalid entries, if the caller's FacetID matches one listed in ids, the operation is allowed.

# 3.1.3 TrustedFacet List and Structure

The Trusted Facets JSON resource is a serialized **TrustedFacetList** hosted at the AppID URL. It consists of a dictionary containing a single member, **trustedFacets** which is an array of **TrustedFacets** dictionaries.

```
WebIDL

dictionary TrustedFacetList {
    TrustedFacets[] trustedFacets;
}
```

3.1.3.1 Dictionary TrustedFacetList Members

trustedFacets Of type array of TrustedFacets
An array of TrustedFacets.

```
WebIDL

dictionary TrustedFacets {
    Version version;
    DOMString[] ids;
};
```

3.1.3.2 Dictionary TrustedFacets Members

version of type Version

The protocol version to which this set of trusted facets applies. See [UAFProtocol] for the definition of the version structure.

ids of type array of DOMString

An array of URLs identifying authorized facets for this AppID.

### 3.1.4 AppID Example 1

".com" is a public suffix. "https://www.example.com/appID" is provided as an AppID. The body of the resource at this location contains:

```
EXAMPLE 3

{
    "trustedFacets" : [{
        "version": { "major": 1, "minor" : 0 },
        "ids": [
```

```
"https://register.example.com", // VALID, shares "example.com" label
   "https://fido.example.com", // VALID, shares "example.com" label
   "http://www.example.com", // DISCARD, scheme is not https:
   "http://www.example-test.com", // DISCARD, "example-test.com" does not match
   "https://www.example.com:444" // VALID, port is not significant
   ]
}]
}
```

For this policy, "https://www.example.com" and "https://register.example.com" would have access to the keys registered for this AppID, and "https://user1.example.com" would not.

# 3.1.5 AppID Example 2

"hosting.example.com" is a public suffix, operated under "example.com" and used to provide hosted cloud services for many companies. "https://companyA.hosting.example.com/appID" is provided as an AppID. The body of the resource at this location contains:

For this policy, "https://fido.companyA.hosting.example.com" would have access to the keys registered for this AppID, and "https://register.example.com" and "https://companyB.hosting.example.com" would not as a public-suffix exists between these DNS names and the AppID's.

### 3.1.6 Obtaining FacetID of Android Native App

This section is non-normative.

The following code demonstrates how a FIDO Client can obtain and construct the FacetID of a calling Android native application.

```
EXAMPLE 5: AndroidFacetID SHA256
    private String getFacetID(Context aContext, int callingUid) {
        String packageNames[] = aContext.getPackageManager().getPackagesForUid(callingUid);
        if (packageNames == null) {
               eturn null;
        }
        try {
   PackageInfo info = aContext.getPackageManager().getPackageInfo(packageNames[0], PackageManager.GET_SIGNATURES);
             byte[] cert = info.signatures[0].toByteArray();
InputStream input = new ByteArrayInputStream(cert);
             CertificateFactory cf = CertificateFactory.getInstance("X509");
X509Certificate c = (X509Certificate) cf.generateCertificate(input);
              MessageDigest md = MessageDigest.getInstance("SHA256");
             return "android:apk-key-hash-sha256:" + Base64.encodeToString(md.digest(c.getEncoded()), Base64.DEFAULT | Base64.NO_WRAP | Base64.NO_PADDING);
        catch (PackageManager.NameNotFoundException e) {
             e.printStackTrace();
        catch (CertificateException e) {
             e.printStackTrace();
        catch (NoSuchAlgorithmException e) {
   e.printStackTrace();
        catch (CertificateEncodingException e) {
             e.printStackTrace();
        return null;
```

# EXAMPLE 6: AndroidFacetID SHA1

```
catch (PackageManager.NameNotFoundException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
catch (CertificateException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
catch (NoSuchAlgorithmException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
catch (CertificateEncodingException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
return null;
```

### 3.1.7 Additional Security Considerations

The UAF protocol supports passing FacetID to the FIDO Server and including the FacetID in the computation of the authentication response.

Trusting a web origin facet implicitly trusts all subdomains under the named entity because web user agents do not provide a security barrier between such origins. So, in AppID Example 1, although not explicitly listed, "https://foobar.register.example.com" would still have effective access to credentials registered for the AppID "https://www.example.com/appID" because it can effectively act as "https://register.example.com".

The component implementing the controls described here must reliably identify callers to securely enforce the mechanisms. Platform interprocess communication mechanisms which allow such identification should be used when available.

It is unlikely that the component implementing the controls described here can verify the integrity and intent of the entries on a TrustedFacetList. If a trusted facet can be compromised or enlisted as a confused deputy [FIDOGlossary] by a malicious party, it may be possible to trick a user into completing an authentication ceremony under the control of that malicious party.

### 3.1.7.1 Wildcards in TrustedFacet identifiers

This section is non-normative.

Wildcards are not supported in TrustedFacet identifiers. This follows the advice of RFC6125 [RFC6125], section 7.2.

FacetIDs are URIs that uniquely identify specific security principals that are trusted to interact with a given registered credential. Wildcards introduce undesirable ambiguitíy in the defintion of the principal, as there is no consensus syntax for what wildcards mean, how they are expanded and where they can occur across different applications and protocols in common use. For schemes indicating application identities, it is not clear that wildcarding is appropriate in any fashion. For Web Origins, it broadly increases the scope of the credential to potentially include rogue or buggy hosts.

Taken together, these ambiguities might introduce exploitable differences in identity checking behavior among client implementations and would necessitate overly complex and inefficient identity checking algorithms.

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# Abstract

FIDO authenticators may have many different form factors, characteristics and capabilities. This document defines a standard means to describe the relevant pieces of information about an authenticator in order to interoperate with it, or to make risk-based policy decisions about transactions involving a particular authenticator.

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# 1. Notation

Type names, attribute names and element names are written ascode.

String literals are enclosed in "", e.g. "UAF-TLV".

In formulas we use "I" to denote byte wise concatenation operations.

DOM APIs are described using the ECMAScript [CMA-262] bindings for WebIDL [WebIDL-ED].

Following [WebIDL-ED], dictionary members are optional unless they are explicitly marked as required.

WebIDL dictionary members must not have a value of null.

Unless otherwise specified, if a WebIDL dictionary member is DOMString, it must not be empty.

Unless otherwise specified, if a WebIDL dictionary member is a List, it must not be an empty list.

All diagrams, examples, notes in this specification are non-normative.

# **NOTE**

Note: Certain dictionary members need to be present in order to comply with FIDO requirements. Such members are marked in the WebIDL definitions found in this document, as required. The keyword required has been introduced by [WebIDL-ED], which is a work-in-progress. If you are using a WebIDL parser which implements [WebIDL], then you may remove the keyword required from your WebIDL and use other means to ensure those fields are present.

# 1.1 Conformance

As well as sections marked as non-normative, all authoring guidelines, diagrams, examples, and notes in this specification are non-normative. Everything else in this specification is normative.

The key words must, must not, required, should, should not, recommended, may, and optional in this specification are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

# 2. Overview

This section is non-normative.

The FIDO family of protocols enable simpler and more secure online authentication utilizing a wide variety of different devices in a competitive marketplace. Much of the complexity behind this variety is hidden from Relying Party applications, but in order to accomplish the goals of FIDO, Relying Parties must have some means of discovering and verifying various characteristics of authenticators. Relying Parties can learn a subset of verifiable information for authenticators certified by the FIDO Alliance with an Authenticator Metadata statement. The URL to access that Metadata statement is provided by the Metadata TOC file accessible through the Metadata Service [FIDOMetadataService].

For definitions of terms, please refer to the FIDO Glossary [FIDOGlossary].

# 2.1 Scope

This document describes the format of and information contained in *Authenticator Metadata* statements. For a definitive list of possible values for the various types of information, refer to the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry].

The description of the processes and methods by which authenticator metadata statements are distributed and the methods how these statements can be verified are described in the Metadata Service Specification [FIDOMetadataService].

### 2.2 Audience

The intended audience for this document includes:

- FIDO authenticator vendors who wish to produce metadata statements for their products.
- FIDO server implementers who need to consume metadata statements to verify characteristics of authenticators and attestation statements, make proper algorithm choices for protocol messages, create policy statements or tailor various other modes of operation to authenticator-specific characteristics.
- · FIDO relying parties who wish to
  - create custom policy statements about which authenticators they will accept
  - risk score authenticators based on their characteristics
  - verify attested authenticator IDs for cross-referencing with third party metadata

### 2.3 Architecture

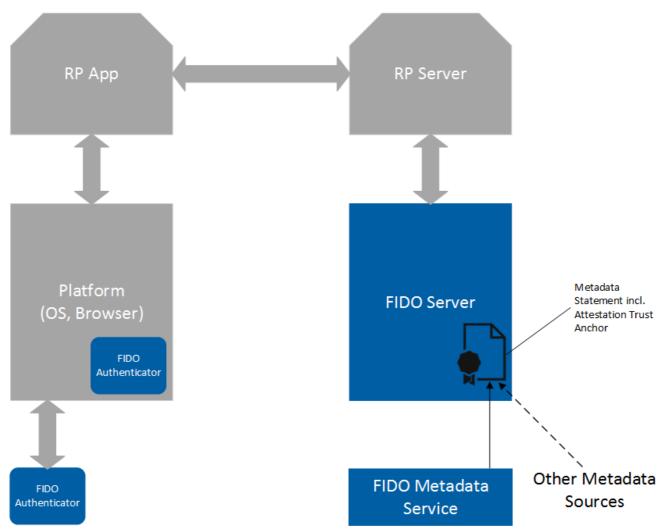


Fig. 1 The FIDO Architecture

Authenticator metadata statements are used directly by the FIDO server at a relying party, but the information contained in the authoritative statement is used in several other places. How a server obtains these metadata statements is described in [FIDOMetadataService].

The workflow around an authenticator metadata statement is as follows:

- 1. The authenticator vendor produces a metadata statement describing the characteristics of an authenticator.
- 2. The metadata statement is submitted to the FIDO Alliance as part of the FIDO certification process. The FIDO Alliance distributes the metadata as described in [FIDOMetadataService].
- 3. A FIDO relying party configures its registration policy to allow authenticators matching certain characteristics to be registered.
- 4. The FIDO server sends a registration challenge message. This message can contain such policy statement.
- 5. Depending on the FIDO protocol being used, either the relying party application or the FIDO UAF Client receives the policy statement as part of the challenge message and processes it. It queries available authenticators for their self-reported characteristics and (with the user's input) selects an authenticator that matches the policy, to be registered.
- 6. The client processes and sends a registration response message to the server. This message contains a reference to the authenticator model and, optionally, a signature made with the private key corresponding to the public key in the authenticator's attestation certificate.
- 7. The FIDO Server looks up the metadata statement for the particular authenticator model. If the metadata statement lists an attestation certificate(s), it verifies that an attestation signature is present, and made with the private key corresponding to either (a) one of the certificates listed in this metadata statement or (b) corrsponding to the public key in a certificate that *chains* to one of the issuer certificates listed in the authenticator's metadata statement.
- 8. The FIDO Server next verifies that the authenticator meets the originally supplied registration policy based on its authoritative metadata statement. This prevents the registration of unexpected authenticator models.
- 9. Optionally, a FIDO Server may, with input from the Relying Party, assign a risk or trust score to the authenticator, based on its metadata, including elements not selected for by the stated policy.
- 10. Optionally, a FIDO Server may cross-reference the attested authenticator model with other metadata databases published by third parties. Such third-party metadata might, for example, inform the FIDO Server if an authenticator has achieved certifications relevant to certain markets or industry verticals, or whether it meets application-specific regulatory requirements.

# 3. Types

This section is normative.

# 3.1 Authenticator Attestation GUID (AAGUID) typedef

### WebIDL

typedef DOMString AAGUID;

### string[36]

Some authenticators have an AAGUID, which is a 128-bit identifier that indicates the type (e.g. make and model) of the authenticator. The AAGUID must be chosen by the manufacturer to be identical across all substantially identical authenticators made by that manufacturer, and different (with probability 1-2<sup>-128</sup> or greater) from the AAGUIDs of all other types of authenticators.

The AAGUID is represented as a string (e.g. "7a98c250-6808-11cf-b73b-00aa00b677a7") consisting of 5 hex strings separated by a dash ("-"), see [RFC4122].

### 3.2 CodeAccuracyDescriptor dictionary

The CodeAccuracyDescriptor describes the relevant accuracy/complexity aspects of passcode user verification methods.

# **NOTE**

One example of such a method is the use of 4 digit PIN codes for mobile phone SIM card unlock.

We are using the numeral systembase (radix) and minlen, instead of the number of potential combinations since there is sufficient evidence [iPhonePasscodes] [MoreTopWorstPasswords] that users don't select their code evenly distributed at random. So software might take into account the various probability distributions for different bases. This essentially means that in practice, passcodes are not as secure as they could be if randomly chosen.

### WebIDL

```
dictionary CodeAccuracyDescriptor {
    required unsigned short base;
    required unsigned short minLength;
    unsigned short maxRetries;
    unsigned short blockSlowdown;
};
```

### 3.2.1 Dictionary CodeAccuracyDescriptor Members

### base of type required unsigned short

The numeric system base (radix) of the code, e.g. 10 in the case of decimal digits.

### minLength of type required unsigned short

The minimum number of digits of the given base required for that code, e.g. 4 in the case of 4 digits.

#### maxRetries of type unsigned short

Maximum number of false attempts before the authenticator will block this method (at least for some time). 0 means it will never block.

### blockslowdown of type unsigned short

Enforced minimum number of seconds wait time after blocking (e.g. due to forced reboot or similar). 0 means this user verification method will be blocked, either permanently or until an alternative user verification method method succeeded. All alternative user verification methods must be specified appropriately in the Metadata in userVerificationDetails.

# 3.3 BiometricAccuracyDescriptor dictionary

The BiometricAccuracyDescriptor describes relevant accuracy/complexity aspects in the case of a biometric user verification method.

#### NOTE

The False Acceptance Rate (FAR) and False Rejection Rate (FRR) values typically are interdependent via the Receiver Operator Characteristic (ROC) curve.

The False Artefact Acceptance Rate (FAAR) value reflects the capability of detecting presentation attacks, such as the detection of rubber finger presentation.

The FAR, FRR, and FAAR values given here must reflect the actual configuration of the authenticators (as opposed to being theoretical best case values).

At least one of the values must be set. If the vendor doesn't want to specify such values, then VerificationMethodDescriptor.baDesc must be omitted.

### NOTE

Typical fingerprint sensor characteristics can be found in Google <u>Android 6.0 Compatibility Definition</u> and Apple <u>iOS Security</u> Guide.

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# 3.3.1 Dictionary BiometricAccuracyDescriptor Members

### FAR of type double

The false acceptance rate [ISO19795-1] for a single reference data set, i.e. the percentage of non-matching data sets that are accepted as valid ones. For example a FAR of 0.002% would be encoded as 0.00002.

### **NOTE**

The resulting FAR when all reference data sets are used is maxReferenceDataSets \* FAR.

The false acceptance rate is relevant for the security. Lower false acceptance rates mean better security.

Only the live captured subjects are covered by this value - not the presentation of artefacts.

### FRR of type double

The false rejection rate for a single reference data set, i.e. the percentage of presented valid data sets that lead to a (false) non-acceptance. For example a FRR of 10% would be encoded as 0.1.

The false rejection rate is relevant for the convenience. Lower false acceptance rates mean better convenience.

#### **EER** of type double

The equal error rate for a single reference data set.

### FAAR of type double

The false artefact acceptance rate [ISO30107-1], i.e. the percentage of artefacts that are incorrectly accepted by the system. For example a FAAR of 0.1% would be encoded as 0.001.

### **NOTE**

The false artefact acceptance rate is relevant for the security of the system. Lower false artefact acceptance rates imply better security.

#### maxReferenceDataSets Of type unsigned short

Maximum number of alternative reference data sets, e.g. 3 if the user is allowed to enroll 3 different fingers to a fingerprint based authenticator.

# maxRetries of type unsigned short

Maximum number of false attempts before the authenticator will block this method (at least for some time). 0 means it will never block.

### blockslowdown of type unsigned short

Enforced minimum number of seconds wait time after blocking (e.g. due to forced reboot or similar). 0 means that this user verification method will be blocked either permanently or until an alternative user verification method succeeded. All alternative user verification methods must be specified appropriately in the metadata in userVerificationDetails.

# 3.4 PatternAccuracyDescriptor dictionary

The PatternAccuracyDescriptor describes relevant accuracy/complexity aspects in the case that a pattern is used as the user verification method.

#### NOTE

One example of such a pattern is the 3x3 dot matrix as used in Android [AndroidUnlockPattern] screen unlock. The mincomplexity would be 1624 in that case, based on the user choosing a 4-digit PIN, the minimum allowed for this mechanism.

# WebIDL

```
dictionary PatternAccuracyDescriptor {
    required unsigned long minComplexity;
    unsigned short maxRetries;
    unsigned short blockSlowdown;
};
```

# 3.4.1 Dictionary PatternAccuracyDescriptor Members

# minComplexity of type required unsigned long

Number of possible patterns (having the minimum length) out of which exactly one would be the right one, i.e. 1/probability in the case of equal distribution.

# maxRetries of type unsigned short

Maximum number of false attempts before the authenticator will block authentication using this method (at least temporarily). 0 means it will never block.

### blockslowdown of type unsigned short

Enforced minimum number of seconds wait time after blocking (due to forced reboot or similar mechanism). 0 means this user verification method will be blocked, either permanently or until an alternative user verification method method succeeded. All alternative user verification methods must be specified appropriately in the metadata under userVerificationDetails.

### 3.5 VerificationMethodDescriptor dictionary

A descriptor for a specific base user verification method as implemented by the authenticator.

A base user verification method must be chosen from the list of those described in FIDORegistry]

### NOTE

In reality, several of the methods described above might be combined. For example, a fingerprint based user

verification can be combined with an alternative password.

The specification of the related AccuracyDescriptor is optional, but recommended.

```
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```

# 3.5.1 Dictionary VerificationMethodDescriptor Members

```
userVerification of type required unsigned long
    a single user_verify constant (see [FIDORegistry]), not a bit flag combination. This value must be non-zero.

cadesc of type CodeAccuracyDescriptor
    May optionally be used in the case of methoduser_verify_passcode.

badesc of type BiometricAccuracyDescriptor
    May optionally be used in the case of method user_verify_fingerprint, user_verify_voiceprint,
    USER_verify_faceprint, user_verify_eyeprint, of user_verify_handprint.

padesc of type PatternAccuracyDescriptor
    May optionally be used in case of methoduser_verify_pattern.
```

# 3.6 verificationMethodANDCombinations typedef

```
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```

```
typedef VerificationMethodDescriptor[] VerificationMethodANDCombinations;
```

<u>VerificationMethodANDCombinations</u> must be non-empty. It is a list containing the base user verification methods which must be passed as part of a successful user verification.

This list will contain only a single entry if using a single user verification method is sufficient.

If this list contains multiple entries, then all of the listed user verification methods must be passed as part of the user verification process.

# 3.7 rgbPaletteEntry dictionary

The rgbPaletteEntry is an RGB three-sample tuple palette entry

### WebIDL

```
dictionary rgbPaletteEntry {
    required unsigned short r;
    required unsigned short g;
    required unsigned short b;
};
```

# 3.7.1 Dictionary rgbPaletteEntry Members

```
r of type required unsigned short
Red channel sample value
g of type required unsigned short
Green channel sample value
b of type required unsigned short
Blue channel sample value
```

# 3.8 DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor dictionary

The DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor describes a PNG image characteristics as defined in the PNG [PNG] spec for IHDR (image header) and PLTE (palette table)

# WebIDL

```
dictionary DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor {
    required unsigned long width;
    required unsigned long height;
    required octet bitDepth;
    required octet colorType;
```

```
required octet
required octet
required octet
required octet
required octet
required octet
rgbPaletteEntry[]
};
```

### 3.8.1 Dictionary DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor Members

```
width of type required unsigned long
     image width
height of type required unsigned long
     image height
bitDepth of type required octet
     Bit depth - bits per sample or per palette index.
colorType of type required octet
     Color type defines the PNG image type.
compression of type required octet
     Compression method used to compress the image data.
filter of type required octet
     Filter method is the preprocessing method applied to the image data before compression.
interlace Of type required octet
     Interlace method is the transmission order of the image data.
plte of type array of rgbPaletteEntry
     1 to 256 palette entries
```

# 3.9 EcdaaTrustAnchor dictionary

In the case of ECDAA attestation, the ECDAA-Issuer's trust anchormust be specified in this field.

#### WebIDL

```
dictionary EcdaaTrustAnchor {
    required DOMString X;
    required DOMString Y;
    required DOMString c;
    required DOMString sx;
    required DOMString sy;
    required DOMString GICurve;
};
```

### 3.9.1 Dictionary EcdaaTrustAnchor Members

# x of type required DOMString

base64 $\mu$ rl encoding of the result of ECPoint2ToB of the ECPoint2X = P\_2 $^{\prime}$ x. See [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for the definition of ECPoint2ToB.

### v of type required DOMString

base64url encoding of the result of ECPoint2ToB of the ECPoint2Y =  $P_2^y$ . See [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for the definition of ECPoint2ToB.

# c of type required DOMString

base64url encoding of the result of BigNumberToB(c). See section "Issuer Specific ECDAA Parameters" in [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for an explanation of c. See [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for the definition of BigNumberToB.

# sx of type required DOMString

base64url encoding of the result of BigNumberToB(sx). See section "Issuer Specific ECDAA Parameters" in [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for an explanation of sx. See [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for the definition of BigNumberToB.

### sy of type required DOMString

base64url encoding of the result of BigNumberToB(sy). See section "Issuer Specific ECDAA Parameters" in [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for an explanation of sy. See [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for the definition of BigNumberToB.

# **G1Curve** of type required DOMString

Name of the Barreto-Naehrig elliptic curve for G1. "BN\_P256", "BN\_P638", "BN\_ISOP256", and "BN\_ISOP512" are supported. See section "Supported Curves for ECDAA" in [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for details.

### NOTE

Whenever a party uses this trust anchor for the first time, it must first verify that it was correctly generated by verifying s, sx, sy. See [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] for details.

# 3.10 ExtensionDescriptor dictionary

This descriptor contains an extension supported by the authenticator.

### WebIDL

```
dictionary ExtensionDescriptor {
    required DOMString id;
    unsigned short tag;
    DOMString data;
    required boolean fail if unknown;
};
```

### 3.10.1 Dictionary ExtensionDescriptor Members

ia of type required DOMString

Identifies the extension.

tag of type unsigned short

The TAG of the extension if this was assigned. TAGs are assigned to extensions if they could appear in an assertion.

data of type DOMString

Contains arbitrary data further describing the extension and/or data needed to correctly process the extension.

This field may be missing or it may be empty.

# fail\_if\_unknown of type required boolean

Indicates whether unknown extensions must be ignored (false) or must lead to an error (true) when the extension is to be processed by the FIDO Server, FIDO Client, ASM, or FIDO Authenticator.

- A value of false indicates that unknown extensions must be ignored
- A value of true indicates that unknown extensions must result in an error.

# 4. Metadata Keys

This section is normative.

### WebIDL

```
dictionary MetadataStatement {
    DOMString
                                                  legalHeader;
    AAID
                                                  aaid:
                                                  aaguid;
    AAGUID
    DOMString[]
                                                  attestationCertificateKeyIdentifiers;
    required DOMString
                                                  description;
    required unsigned short
                                                  authenticatorVersion;
    DOMString
                                                  protocolFamily;
    required Version[]
                                                  upv;
    required DOMString
                                                  assertionScheme;
    required unsigned short
                                                  authenticationAlgorithm;
    unsigned short[]
                                                  authenticationAlgorithms;
    required unsigned short
                                                  publicKeyAlgAndEncoding;
    unsigned short[]
                                                  publicKeyAlgAndEncodings;
    required unsigned short[]
                                                  attestationTypes;
    required VerificationMethodANDCombinations[] userVerificationDetails;
    required unsigned short
                                                  keyProtection;
    boolean
                                                  isKeyRestricted;
    boolean
                                                  isFreshUserVerificationRequired;
    required unsigned short
                                                  matcherProtection;
    unsigned short
                                                  cryptoStrength;
    DOMString
                                                  operatingEnv;
    required unsigned long
                                                  attachmentHint;
    required boolean
                                                  isSecondFactorOnly;
    required unsigned short
                                                  tcDisplay;
    DOMString
                                                  tcDisplayContentType;
    DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor[]
                                                  tcDisplayPNGCharacteristics;
    required DOMString[]
                                                  attestationRootCertificates;
    EcdaaTrustAnchor[]
                                                  ecdaaTrustAnchors:
    DOMString
                                                  icon:
    ExtensionDescriptor
                                                  supportedExtensions[];
```

# 4.1 Dictionary MetadataStatement Members

### legalHeader of type DOMString

The legalHeader, if present, contains a legal guide for accessing and using metadata, which itself may contain URL(s) pointing to further information, such as a full Terms and Conditions statement.

### aaid of type AAID

The Authenticator Attestation ID. See [UAFProtocol] for the definition of the AAID structure. This field must be set if the authenticator implements FIDO UAF.

### **NOTE**

FIDO UAF Authenticators support AAID, but they don't support AAGUID.

# aaguid Of type AAGUID

The Authenticator Attestation GUID. See [FIDOKeyAttestation] for the definition of the AAGUID structure. This field must be set if the authenticator implements FIDO 2.

### **NOTE**

FIDO 2 Authenticators support AAGUID, but they don't support AAID.

### attestationCertificateKeyIdentifiers Of type array of DOMString

A list of the attestation certificate public key identifiers encoded as hex string. This value must be calculated according to method 1 for computing the keyldentifier as defined in [RFC5280] section 4.2.1.2. The hex string must not contain any non-hex characters (e.g. spaces). All hex letters must be lower case. This field must be set if neither aaid nor aaguid are set. Setting this field implies that the attestation certificate(s) are dedicated to a single authenticator model.

All attestationCertificateKeyIdentifier values should be unique within the scope of the Metadata Service.

### **NOTE**

FIDO U2F Authenticators typically do not support AAID nor AAGUID, but they use attestation certificates dedicated to a single authenticator model.

### description of type required DOMString

A human-readable short description of the authenticator.

### **NOTE**

This description should help an administrator configuring authenticator policies. This description might deviate from the description returned by the ASM for that authenticator.

This description should contain the public authenticator trade name and the publicly known vendor name.

### authenticatorVersion Of type required unsigned short

Earliest (i.e. lowest) trustworthy authenticatorversion meeting the requirements specified in this metadata statement.

Adding new statusreport entries with status update\_available to the metadata toc object [FIDOMetadataService] must also change this authenticatorversion if the update fixes severe security issues, e.g. the ones reported by preceding statusreport entries with status code user\_verification\_bypass, attestation key compromise, user key remote compromise, user key physical compromise, revoked.

It is recommended to assume increased risk if this version is higher (newer) than the firmware version present in an authenticator. For example, if a StatusReport entry with status USER\_KEY\_REMOTE\_COMPROMISE precedes the UPDATE\_AVAILABLE entry, than any firmware version lower (older) than the one specified in the metadata statement is assumed to be vulnerable.

# protocolFamily of type DOMString

The FIDO protocol family. The values "uaf", "u2f", and "fido2" are supported. If this field is missing, the assumed protocol family is "uaf". Metadata Statements for U2F authenticators must set the value of protocolFamily to "u2f" and FIDO 2.0 Authenticators implementations must set the value of protocolFamily to "fido2".

# upv of type array of required Version

The FIDO unified protocol version(s) (related to the specific protocol family) supported by this authenticator. See [UAFProtocol] for the definition of the version structure.

# assertionScheme of type required DOMString

The assertion scheme supported by the authenticator. Must be set to one of the enumerated strings defined in the FIDO UAF Registry of Predefined Values [UAFRegistry] or to "FIDOV2" in the case of the FIDO 2 assertion scheme.

### authenticationAlgorithm Of type required unsigned short

The preferred authentication algorithm supported by the authenticator. Must be set to one of the ALG\_ constants defined in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry]. This value must be non-zero.

The list of authentication algorithms supported by the authenticator. Must be set to the *complete list* of the supported ALG\_constants defined in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry] if the authenticator supports multiple algorithms. Each value must be non-zero.

### **NOTE**

### FIDO UAF Authenticators

For verification purposes, the field signatureAlgAndEncoding in the FIDO UAF authentication assertion [UAFAuthnrCommands] should be used to determine the actual signature algorithm and encoding.

# FIDO U2F Authenticators

FIDO U2F only supports one signature algorithm and encoding:

ALG\_SIGN\_SECP256R1\_ECDSA\_SHA256\_RAW [FIDORegistry].

### publicKeyAlgAndEncoding Of type required unsigned short

The preferred public key format used by the authenticator during registration operations. Must be set to one of the ALG KEY constants defined in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry]. Because this information is not present in APIs related to authenticator discovery or policy, a FIDO server must be prepared to accept and process any and all key representations defined for any public key algorithm it supports. This value must be non-zero.

### publicKeyAlgAndEncodings of type array ofunsigned short

The list of public key formats supported by the authenticator during registration operations. Must be set to the *complete list* of the supported ALG KEY constants defined in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry] if the authenticator model supports multiple encodings. Because this information is not present in APIs related to authenticator discovery or policy, a FIDO server must be prepared to accept and process any and all key representations defined for any public key algorithm it supports. Each value must be non-zero.

### **NOTE**

### FIDO UAF Authenticators

For verification purposes, the field PublicKeyAlgAndEncoding in the FIDO UAF registration assertion [UAFAuthnrCommands] should be used to determine the actual encoding of the public key.

### FIDO U2F Authenticators

FIDO U2F only supports one public key encoding: ALG KEY ECC X962 RAW [FIDORegistry].

### attestationTypes of type array of required unsigned short

The supported attestation type(s). (e.g. TAG\_ATTESTATION\_BASIC\_FULL(0x3E07),

TAG\_ATTESTATION\_BASIC\_SURROGATE(0x3E08)).

See section 4.1 of FIDO UAF Registry [JAFRegistry], section 5.2.1 of FIDO UAF Authenticator Commands specification [UAFAuthnrCommands], and section 4.1.2 of FIDO UAF Protocol specification [[UAFProtocol] for details.

# **NOTE**

Even though these tags are defined in FIDO UAF protocol specifications, the attestation types apply to authenticators of all protocol families (e.g. UAF, U2F, ...).

# userVerificationDetails of type array ofrequired VerificationMethodANDCombinations

A list of *alternative* VerificationMethodANDCombinations. Each of these entries is one alternative user verification method. Each of these alternative user verification methods might itself be an "AND" combination of multiple modalities.

All effectively available alternative user verification methodsmust be properly specified here. A user verification method is considered effectively available if this method can be used to either:

enroll new verification reference data to one of the user verification methods

or

· unlock the UAuth key directly after successful user verification

# keyProtection of type required unsigned short

A 16-bit number representing the bit fields defined by the **KEY\_PROTECTION** constants in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry].

This value must be non-zero.

### **NOTE**

The keyProtection specified here denotes the effective security of the attestation key and Uauth private key and the effective trustworthiness of the attested attributes in the "sign assertion". Effective security

means that key extraction or injecting malicious attested attributes is only possible if the specified protection method is compromised. For example, if keyProtection=TEE is stated, it shall be impossible to extract the attestation key or the Uauth private key or to inject any malicious attested attributes *without breaking the TEE*.

### iskeyRestricted Of type boolean

This entry is set to true, if the Uauth private key is restricted by the *authenticator* to only sign valid FIDO signature assertions.

This entry is set to false, if the authenticator doesn't restrict the Uauth key to only sign valid FIDO signature assertions. In this case, the calling application could potentially get any hash value signed by the authenticator.

If this field is missing, the assumed value is isKeyRestricted=true

# NOTE

Note that only in the case of isKeyRestricted=true, the FIDO server can trust a signature counter or transaction text to have been correctly processed/controlled by the authenticator.

### isFreshUserVerificationRequired Of type boolean

This entry is set to true, if Uauth key usage always requires a fresh user verification.

If this field is missing, the assumed value is isFreshUserVerificationRequired ≠ rue.

This entry is set to false, if the Uauth key can be used without requiring a fresh user verification, e.g. without any additional user interaction, if the user was verified a (potentially configurable) caching time ago.

In the case of isFreshUserVerificationRequired=false, the FIDO server must verify the registration response and/or authentication response and verify that the (maximum) caching time (sometimes also called "authTimeout") is acceptable.

This entry solely refers to the user verification. In the case of transaction confirmation, the authenticator must always ask the user to authorize the specific transaction.

### **NOTE**

Note that in the case of isFreshUserVerificationRequired=false, the calling App could trigger use of the key without user involvement. In this case it is the responsibility of the App to ask for user consent.

### matcherProtection Of type required unsigned short

A 16-bit number representing the bit fields defined by the MATCHER\_PROTECTION constants in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry].

This value must be non-zero.

### NOTE

If multiple matchers are implemented, then this value must reflect the *weakest* implementation of all matchers.

The matcherProtection specified here denotes the effective security of the FIDO authenticator's user verification. This means that a false positive user verification implies breach of the stated method. For example, if matcherProtection=TEE is stated, it shall be impossible to trigger use of the Uauth private key when bypassing the user verification without breaking the TEE.

## cryptoStrength of type unsigned short

The authenticator's **overall claimed cryptographic strength** in bits (sometimes also called security strength or security level). This is the minimum of the cryptographic strength of all involved cryptographic methods (e.g. RNG, underlying hash, key wrapping algorithm, signing algorithm, attestation algorithm), e.g. see [FIPS180-4], [FIPS186-4], [FIPS198-1], [SP800-38B], [SP800-38C], [SP800-38D], [SP800-38F], [SP800-90C], [SP800-90ar1], [FIPS140-2] etc.

If this value is absent, the cryptographic strength is unknown. If the cryptographic strength of one of the involved cryptographic methods is unknown the overall claimed cryptographic strength is also unknown.

### operatingEnv of type DOMString

Description of the particular operating environment that is used for the Authenticator. These are specified in [FIDORestrictedOperatingEnv].

attachmentHint of type required unsigned long

A 32-bit number representing the bit fields defined by the ATTACHMENT HINT constants in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry].

### **NOTE**

The connection state and topology of an authenticator may be transient and cannot be relied on as authoritative by a relying party, but the metadata field should have all the bit flags set for the topologies possible for the authenticator. For example, an authenticator instantiated as a single-purpose hardware token that can communicate over bluetooth should set ATTACHMENT HINT EXTERNAL but not ATTACHMENT\_HINT\_INTERNAL.

### isSecondFactorOnly of type required boolean

Indicates if the authenticator is designed to be used only as a second factor, i.e. requiring some other authentication method as a first factor (e.g. username+password).

### tcDisplay of type required unsigned short

A 16-bit number representing a combination of the bit flags defined by the transaction confirmation display constants in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [FIDORegistry].

This value must be 0, if transaction confirmation is not supported by the authenticator.

### **NOTE**

The tcDisplay specified here denotes the effective security of the authenticator's transaction confirmation display. This means that only a breach of the stated method allows an attacker to inject transaction text to be included in the signature assertion which hasn't been displayed and confirmed by the user.

tcDisplayContentType of type DOMString
Supported MIME content type [RFC2049] for the transaction confirmation display, such as text/plain or

This value must be present if transaction confirmation is supported, i.e. tcDisplay is non-zero.

tcDisplayPNGCharacteristics of type array of DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor

A list of alternative DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor. Each of these entries is one alternative of supported image characteristics for displaying a PNG image.

This list must be present if PNG-image based transaction confirmation is supported, i.e. tcDisplay is non-zero and tcDisplayContentType iS image/png.

# attestationRootCertificates Of type array of required DOMString

Each element of this array represents a PKIX RFC5280] X.509 certificate that is a valid trust anchor for this authenticator model. Multiple certificates might be used for different batches of the same model. The array does not represent a certificate chain, but only the trust anchor of that chain. A trust anchor can be a root certificate, an intermediate CA certificate or even the attestation certificate itself.

Each array element is a base64-encoded (section 4 of [RFC4648]), DER-encoded [ITU-X690-2008] PKIX certificate value. Each element must be dedicated for authenticator attestation.

### NOTE

A certificate listed here is a trust anchor. It might be the actual certificate presented by the authenticator, or it might be an issuing authority certificate from the vendor that the actual certificate in the authenticator chains to.

In the case of "uaf" protocol family, the attestation certificate itself and the ordered certificate chain are included in the registration assertion (see [UAFAuthnrCommands]).

### Either

1. the manufacturer attestation trust anchor

or

2. the trust anchor dedicated to a specific authenticator model

### must be specified.

In the case (1), the trust anchor certificate might cover multiple authenticator models. In this case, it must be possible to uniquely derive the authenticator model from the Attestation Certificate. When using AAID or AAGUID, this can be achieved by either specifying the AAID or AAGUID in the attestation certificate using the extension id-fido-gen-ce-aaid { 1 3 6 1 4 1 45724 1 1 1 } or id-fido-gen-ce-aaguid { 1 3 6 1 4 1 45724 1 1 4 } or -when neither AAID nor AAGUID are defined - by using the attestationCertificateKeyIdentifier method.

In the case (2) this is not required as the trust anchor only covers a single authenticator model.

When supporting surrogate basic attestation only (see [UAFProtocol], section "Surrogate Basic Attestation"), no attestation trust anchor is required/used. So this array must be empty in that case.

### ecdaaTrustAnchors Of type array Of EcdaaTrustAnchor

A list of trust anchors used for ECDAA attestation. This entry must be present if and only if attestationType includes TAG\_ATTESTATION\_ECDAA. The entries in attestationRootCertificates have no relevance for ECDAA attestation. Each ecdaaTrustAnchor must be dedicated to a single authenticator model (e.g as identified by its AAID/AAGUID).

# icon of type DOMString

A data: url [RFC2397] encoded PNG [PNG] icon for the Authenticator.

### supportedExtensions[] Of type ExtensionDescriptor

List of extensions supported by the authenticator.

## Metadata Statement Format

This section is non-normative.

### **NORMATIVE**

A FIDO Authenticator Metadata Statement is a document containing a JSON encoded dictionary MetadataStatement.

### 5.1 UAF Example

Example of the metadata statement for an UAF authenticator with:

- · authenticatorVersion 2.
- Fingerprint based user verification allowing up to 5 registered fingers, with false acceptance rate of 0.002% and rate limiting attempts for 30 seconds after 5 false trials.
- Authenticator is embedded with the FIDO User device.
- The authentication keys are protected by TEE and are restricted to sign valid FIDO sign assertions only.
- The (fingerprint) matcher is implemented in TEE.
- The Transaction Confirmation Display is implemented in a TEE.
- The Transaction Confirmation Display supports display of "image/png" objects only.
- Display has a width of 320 and a height of 480 pixel. A bit depth of 16 bits per pixel offering True Color (=Color Type 2). The zlib compression method (0). It doesn't support filtering (i.e. filter type of=0) and no interlacing support (interlace method=0).
- The Authentiator can act as first factor or as second factor, i.e. isSecondFactorOnly = false.
- It supports the "UAFV1TLV" assertion scheme.
- It uses the  ${\tt alg\_SIGN\_SECP256R1\_ECDSA\_SHA256\_RAW}$  authentication algorithm.
- It uses the ALG\_KEY\_ECC\_X962\_RAW public key format (0x100=256 decimal).
- It only implements the TAG ATTESTATION BASIC FULL method (0x3E07=15879 decimal).
- It implements UAF protocol version (upv) 1.0 and 1.1.

**EXAMPLE 1: MetadataStatement for UAF Authenticator** 

```
"bitDepth": 16,
      "colorType": 2,
"compression": 0,
"filter": 0,
"interlace": 0
}],
"attestationRootCertificates": [
"MIICPTCCAeOgAwIBAgIJAOuexvU3Oy2wMAoGCCqGSM49BAMCMHsxIDAeBgNVBAMM
F1NhbXBsZSBBdHRlc3RhdGlvbiBSb290MRYwFAYDVQQKDA1GSURPIEFsbGlhbmNl
"DNDOGLDABYOUVGVFdHLDESMBAGAlUEBwwJUGFsbyBBbHRVMQswCQYDVQQI
      DAJDQTELMAKGA1UEBhMCVVMwHhcNMTQwNjE4MTMzMyWhcNNDExMTAzMTMzMzMyWjB7MSAwHgYDVQQDDBdTYW1wbGUgQXR0ZXN0YXRpb24gUm9vdDEWMBQGA1UECgwN
       RklETyBBbGxpYW5jZTERMA8GA1UECwwIVUFGIFRXRywxEjAQBgNVBAcMCVBhbG8g
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Example of an User Verification Methods entry for an authenticator with:

- Fingerprint based user verification method, with:
  - the ability for the user to enroll up to 5 fingers (reference data sets) with
    - a false acceptance rate of 1 in 50000 (0.002%) per finger. This results in a FAR of 0.01% (0.0001).
    - The fingerprint verification will be blocked after 5 unsuccessful attempts.
- A PIN code with a minimum length of 4 decimal digits has to be set-up as alternative verification method. Entering the PIN will be required to re-activate fingerprint based user verification after it has been blocked.

# 5.2 U2F Example

Example of the metadata statement for an U2F authenticator with:

- authenticatorVersion 2.
- Touch based user presence check.
- Authenticator is a USB pluggable hardware token.
- The authentication keys are protected by a secure element.
- The user presence check is implemented in the chip.
- The Authentiator is a pure second factor authenticator.
- It supports the "U2FV1BIN" assertion scheme.
- It uses the <a href="https://algo.nichar.com
- It uses the ALG KEY ECC X962 RAW public key format (0x100=256 decimal).

- It only implements the TAG ATTESTATION BASIC FULL method (0x3E07=15879 decimal).
- It implements U2F protocol version 1.0 only.

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EXAMPLE 3: MetadataStatement for U2F Authenticator
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# 6. Additional Considerations

This section is non-normative.

# 6.1 Field updates and metadata

Metadata statements are intended to be stable once they have been published. When authenticators are updated in the field, such updates are expected to improve the authenticator security (for example, improve FRR or FAR). The <a href="authenticatorversion">authenticatorversion</a> must be updated if firmware updates fixing severe security issues (e.g. as reported previously) are available.

### NOTE

The metadata statement is assumed to relate to all authenticators having the same AAID.

### **NOTE**

The FIDO Server is recommended to assume increased risk if the authenticator version specified in the metadata statement is newer (higher) than the one present in the authenticator.

### **NORMATIVE**

Significant changes in authenticator functionality are not anticipated in firmware updates. For example, if an authenticator vendor wants to modify a PIN-based authenticator to use "Speaker Recognition" as a user verification method, the vendor must assign a new AAID to this authenticator.

### **NORMATIVE**

A single authenticator implementation could report itself as two "virtual" authenticators using different AAIDs. Such implementations must properly (i.e. according to the security characteristics claimed in the metadata) protect UAuth keys and other sensitive data from the other "virtual" authenticator - just as a normal authenticator would do.

### NOTE

Authentication keys (vauth.pub) registered for one AAID cannot be used by authenticators reporting a different AAID - even when running on the same hardware (see section "Authentication Response Processing Rules for FIDO Server" in [UAFProtocol]).

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# **Abstract**

The FIDO Authenticator Metadata Specification defines so-called "Authenticator Metadata" statements. The metadata statements contain the "Trust Anchor" required to validate the attestation object, and they also describe several other important characteristics of the authenticator.

The metadata service described in this document defines a baseline method for relying parties to access the latest metadata statements.

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# 1. Notation

Type names, attribute names and element names are written ascode.

String literals are enclosed in "", e.g. "UAF-TLV".

In formulas we use "I" to denote byte wise concatenation operations.

The notation <code>base64url(byte[8..64])</code> reads as 8-64 bytes of data encoded in base64url, "Base 64 Encoding with URL and Filename Safe Alphabet" [RFC4648] without padding.

Following [WebIDL-ED], dictionary members are optional unless they are explicitly marked as required.

WebIDL dictionary members must not have a value of null.

Unless otherwise specified, if a WebIDL dictionary member is DOMString, it must not be empty.

Unless otherwise specified, if a WebIDL dictionary member is a List, it must not be an empty list.

UAF specific terminology used in this document is defined in [FIDOGlossary].

All diagrams, examples, notes in this specification are non-normative.

# NOTE

Note: Certain dictionary members need to be present in order to comply with FIDO requirements. Such members are marked in the WebIDL definitions found in this document, as required. The keyword required has been introduced by [WebIDL-ED], which is a work-in-progress. If you are using a WebIDL parser which implements [WebIDL], then you may remove the keyword required from your WebIDL and use other means to ensure those fields are present.

# 1.1 Key Words

The key words "must", "must not", "required", "shall", "shall not", "should", "should not", "recommended", "may", and "optional" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

### 2. Overview

This section is non-normative.

[FIDOMetadataStatement] defines authenticator metadata statements.

These metadata statements contain the trust anchor required to verify the attestation object (more specifically the

KeyRegistrationData object), and they also describe several other important characteristics of the authenticator, including supported authentication and registration assertion schemes, and key protection flags.

These characteristics can be used when defining policies about which authenticators are acceptable for registration or authentication.

The metadata service described in this document defines a baseline method for relying parties to access the latest metadata statements.

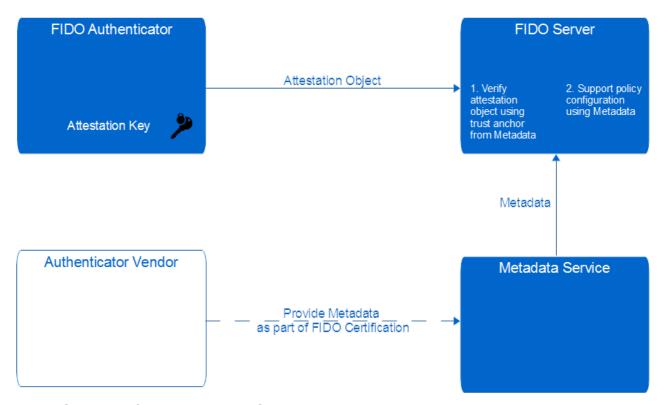


Fig. 1 FIDO Metadata Service Architecture Overview

# 2.1 Scope

This document describes the FIDO Metadata Service architecture in detail and it defines the structure and interface to access this service. It also defines the flow of the metadata related messages and presents the rationale behind the design choices.

# 2.2 Detailed Architecture

The metadata "table-of-contents" (TOC) file contains a list of metadata statements related to the authenticators known to the FIDO Alliance (FIDO Authenticators).

The FIDO Server downloads the metadata TOC file from a well-known FIDO URL and caches it locally.

The FIDO Server verifies the integrity and authenticity of this metadata TOC file using the digital signature. It then iterates through the individual entries and loads the metadata statements related to authenticator AAIDs relevant to the relying party.

Individual metadata statements will be downloaded from the URL specified in the entry of the metadata TOC file, and may be cached by the FIDO Server as required.

The integrity of the metadata statements will be verified by the FIDO Server using the hash value included in the related entry of the metadata TOC file.

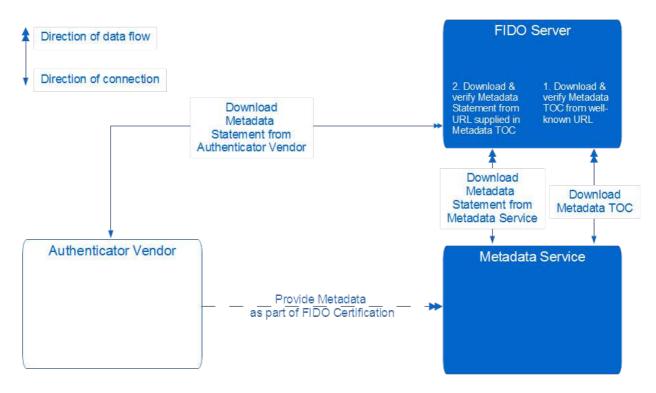


Fig. 2 FIDO Metadata Service Architecture

# NOTE

The single arrow indicates the direction of the network connection, the double arrow indicates the direction of the data flow.

# NOTE

The metadata TOC file is accessible at a well-known URL published by the FIDO Alliance.

### **NOTE**

The relying party decides how frequently the metadata service is accessed to check for metadata TOC updates.

# 3. Metadata Service Details

This section is normative.

# NOTE

The relying party can decide whether it wants to use the metadata service and whether or not it wants to accept certain authenticators for registration or authentication.

The relying party could also obtain metadata directly from authenticator vendors or other trusted sources.

# 3.1 Metadata TOC Format

### **NOTE**

The metadata service makes the metadata TOC object (see Metadata TOC) accessible to FIDO Servers.

This object is a "table-of-contents" for metadata, as it includes the AAID, the download URL and the hash value of the individual metadata statements. The TOC object contains one signature.

### 3.1.1 Metadata TOC Payload Entry dictionary

Represents the MetadataTOCPayloadEntry

### WebIDL

```
dictionary MetadataTOCPayloadEntry {
    AAID
    AAGUID
                             aaguid;
    DOMString[]
                             attestationCertificateKeyIdentifiers;
    DOMString
                             hash;
    DOMString
                            url:
    required StatusReport[] statusReports;
    required DOMString
                             timeOfLastStatusChange;
    DOMString
                             rogueListURL;
    DOMString
                             rogueListHash;
};
```

# 3.1.1.1 Dictionary MetadataTOCPayloadEntry Members

### aaid of type AAID

The AAID of the authenticator this metadata TOC payload entry relates to. See [UAFProtocol] for the definition of the AAID structure. This field must be set if the authenticator implements FIDO UAF.

### **NOTE**

FIDO UAF authenticators support AAID, but they don't support AAGUID.

# aaguid of type AAGUID

The Authenticator Attestation GUID. See [FIDOKeyAttestation] for the definition of the AAGUID structure. This field must be set if the authenticator implements FIDO 2.

### **NOTE**

FIDO 2 authenticators support AAGUID, but they don't support AAID.

# attestationCertificateKeyIdentifiers Of type array of DOMString

A list of the attestation certificate public key identifiers encoded as hex string. This value must be calculated according to method 1 for computing the keyldentifier as defined in [RFC5280] section 4.2.1.2. The hex string must not contain any non-hex characters (e.g. spaces). All hex letters must be lower case. This field must be set if neither aaid nor aguid are set. Setting this field implies that the attestation certificate(s) are dedicated to a single authenticator model.

### NOTE

FIDO U2F authenticators do not support AAID nor AAGUID, but they use attestation certificates dedicated to a single authenticator model.

### hash of type DOMString

```
base64url(string[1..512])
```

The hash value computed over the base64url encoding of the UTF-8 representation of the JSON encoded metadata statement available at url and as defined in FIDOMetadataStatement]. The hash algorithm related to the signature algorithm specified in the JWTHeader (see Metadata TOC) must be used.

If this field is missing, the metadata statement has not been published.

### **NOTE**

This method of base64url encoding the UTF-8 representation is also used by JWT [JWT] to avoid encoding ambiguities.

# url of type DOMString

Uniform resource locator (URL) of the encoded metadata statement for this authenticator model (identified by its AAID, AAGUID or attestationCertificateKeyIdentifier). This URL must point to the base64url encoding of the UTF-8 representation of the JSON encoded metadata statement as defined in [FIDOMetadataStatement].

If this field is missing, the metadata statement has not been published.

encodedMetadataStatement = base64url(utf8(JSONMetadataStatement))

### **NOTE**

This method of the base64url encoding the UTF-8 representation is also used by JWT [JWT] to avoid encoding ambiguities.

### statusReports of type array of required StatusReport

An array of status reports applicable to this authenticator.

# timeOfLastStatusChange of type required DOMString

ISO-8601 formatted date since when the status report array was set to the current value.

# rogueListurL of type DOMString

URL of a list of rogue (i.e. untrusted) individual authenticators.

# rogueListHash of type DOMString

base64url(string[1..512])

The hash value computed over the Base64url encoding of the UTF-8 representation of the JSON encoded rogueList available at rogueListURL (with type rogueListEntry[]). The hash algorithm related to the signature algorithm specified in the JWTHeader (see Metadata TOC) must be used.

This hash value must be present and non-empty whenever rogueListurL is present.

### NOTE

This method of base64url-encoding the UTF-8 representation is also used by JWT [JWT] to avoid encoding ambiguities.

### **EXAMPLE 1: UAF Metadata TOC Payload**

### **NOTE**

The character # is a reserved character and not allowed in URLs RFC3986]. As a consequence it has been replaced by its hex value %x23.

The authenticator vendors can decide to let the metadata service publish its metadata statements or to publish metadata statements themselves. Authenticator vendors can restrict access to the metadata statements they publish themselves.

# 3.1.2 StatusReport dictionary

### NOTE

Contains an AuthenticatorStatus and additional data associated with it, if any.

New StatusReport entries will be added to report known issues present in firmware updates.

The latest statusReport entry must reflect the "current" status. For example, if the latest entry has status <a href="USER\_VERIFICATION\_BYPASS">USER\_VERIFICATION\_BYPASS</a>, then it is recommended assuming an increased risk associated with all authenticators of this AAID; if the latest entry has status <a href="UPDATE\_AVAILABLE">UPDATE\_AVAILABLE</a>, then the update is intended to address at least all previous issues <a href="reported">reported</a> in this StatusReport dictionary.

#### WebIDL

```
dictionary StatusReport {
    required AuthenticatorStatus status;
    DOMString
                                 effectiveDate;
    DOMString
                                 certificate;
    DOMString
                                 url;
                                 certificationDescriptor;
    DOMString
    DOMString
                                 certificateNumber;
    DOMString
                                 certificationPolicyVersion;
    DOMString
                                 certificationRequirementsVersion;
};
```

### 3.1.2.1 Dictionary StatusReport Members

# status of type required AuthenticatorStatus

Status of the authenticator. Additional fields may be set depending on this value.

### effectiveDate Of type DOMString

ISO-8601 formatted date since when the status code was set, if applicable. If no date is given, the status is assumed to be effective while present.

### certificate of type DOMString

Base64-encoded [RFC4648] (not base64url!) DER [ITU-X690-2008] PKIX certificate value related to the current status, if applicable.

### **NOTE**

As an example, this could be an Attestation Root Certificate (see [FIDOMetadataStatement]) related to a set of compromised authenticators (ATTESTATION\_KEY\_COMPROMISE).

# url of type DOMString

HTTPS URL where additional information may be found related to the current status, if applicable.

# **NOTE**

For example a link to a web page describing an available firmware update in the case of status update\_available, or a link to a description of an identified issue in the case of status user\_verification\_bypass.

### certificationDescriptor of type DOMString

Describes the externally visible aspects of the Authenticator Certification evaluation.

### certificateNumber of type DOMString

The unique identifier for the issued Certification

# certificationPolicyVersion of type DOMString

The version of the Authenticator Certification Policy the implementation is Certified to, e.g. "1.0.0".

# certificationRequirementsVersion Of type DOMString

The version of the Authenticator Security Requirements the implementation is Certified to, e.g. "1.0.0".

### 3.1.3 AuthenticatorStatus enum

This enumeration describes the status of an authenticator model as identified by its AAID and potentially some additional information (such as a specific attestation key).

### WebIDL

```
enum AuthenticatorStatus {
    "NOT_FIDO_CERTIFIED",
    "FIDO_CERTIFIED",
    "USER_VERIFICATION_BYPASS",
```

```
"ATTESTATION_KEY_COMPROMISE",
"USER_KEY_REMOTE_COMPROMISE",
"USER_KEY_PHYSICAL_COMPROMISE",
"UPDATE_AVAILABLE",
"REVOKED",
"SELF_ASSERTION_SUBMITTED",
"FIDO_CERTIFIED_L1",
"FIDO_CERTIFIED_L2",
"FIDO_CERTIFIED_L3",
"FIDO_CERTIFIED_L4",
"FIDO_CERTIFIED_L5"
};
```

Enumeration description	
	This call of the transfer of FIDO and William
	This authenticator is not FIDO certified.
FIDO_CERTIFIED	This authenticator has passed FIDO functional certification. This certification scheme is phased out and will be replaced by FIDO_CERTIFIED_L1.
USER VERIFICATION BYPASS	Indicates that malware is able to bypass the user verification. This means that the authenticator could be used without the user's consent and potentially even without the user's knowledge.
ATTESTATION KEY COMPROMISE	Indicates that an attestation key for this authenticator is known to be compromised. Additional data should be supplied, including the key identifier and the date of compromise, if known.
USER_KEY_REMOTE_COMPROMISE	This authenticator has identified weaknesses that allow registered keys to be compromised and should not be trusted. This would include both, e.g. weak entropy that causes predictable keys to be generated or side channels that allow keys or signatures to be forged, guessed or extracted.
USER_KEY_PHYSICAL_COMPROMISE	This authenticator has known weaknesses in its key protection mechanism(s) that allow user keys to be extracted by an adversary in physical possession of the device.
UPDATE_AVAILABLE	A software or firmware update is available for the device. Additional data should be supplied including a URL where users can obtain an update and the date the update was published.  When this code is used, then the field authenticatorversion in the metadata Statement [FIDOMetadataStatement] must be updated, if the update fixes severe security issues, e.g. the ones reported by preceding StatusReport entries with status code user_verification_bypass,  ATTESTATION_KEY_COMPROMISE, USER_KEY_REMOTE_COMPROMISE, USER_KEY_PHYSICAL_COMPROMISE, REVOKED.  NOTE  Relying parties might want to inform users about available firmware updates.
REVOKED	The FIDO Alliance has determined that this authenticator should not be trusted for any reason, for example if it is known to be a fraudulent product or contain a deliberate backdoor.
SELF_ASSERTION_SUBMITTED	The authenticator vendor has completed and submitted the self-certification checklist to the FIDO Alliance. If this completed checklist is publicly available, the URL will be specified in <pre>statusReport.url</pre> .
FIDO_CERTIFIED_L1	The authenticator has passed FIDO Authenticator certification at level 1. This level is the more strict successor of FIDO_CERTIFIED.
	The authenticator has passed FIDO Authenticator certification at level 2. This level is more strict than level 1.
	The authenticator has passed FIDO Authenticator certification at level 3. This level is more strict than level 2.
	The authenticator has passed FIDO Authenticator certification at level 4. This
	level is more strict than level 3.

More values might be added in the future. FIDO Servers must silently ignore all unknown AuthenticatorStatus values.

# 3.1.4 RogueListEntry dictionary

### NOTE

Contains a list of individual authenticators known to be rogue.

New RoqueListEntry entries will be added to report new individual authenticators known to be roque.

Old RogueListEntry entries will be removed if the individual authenticator is known to not be rogue any longer.

### WebIDL

```
dictionary RogueListEntry {
    required DOMString sk;
    required DOMString date;
};
```

# 3.1.4.1 Dictionary RogueListEntry Members

# sk of type required DOMString

Base64url encoding of the rogue authenticator's secret key (sk value, see [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm], section ECDAA Attestation).

#### NOTE

In order to revoke an individual authenticator, its secret key (sk) must be known.

# date of type required DOMString

ISO-8601 formatted date since when this entry is effective.

# 3.1.5 Metadata TOC Payload dictionary

Represents the MetadataTOCPayload

# WebIDL

### 3.1.5.1 Dictionary MetadataTOCPayload Members

### legalHeader of type DOMString

The legalHeader, if present, contains a legal guide for accessing and using metadata, which itself may contain URL(s) pointing to further information, such as a full Terms and Conditions statement.

# no of type required Number

The serial number of this UAF Metadata TOC Payload. Serial numbers must be consecutive and strictly monotonic, i.e. the successor TOC will have a no value exactly incremented by one.

### nextupdate of type required DOMString

ISO-8601 formatted date when the next update will be provided at latest.

### entries of type array of required MetadataTOCPayloadEntry

List of zero or more MetadataTOCPayloadEntry objects.

### 3.1.6 Metadata TOC

The metadata table of contents (TOC) is a JSON Web Token (see JWT] and JWS]).

It consists of three elements:

- The base64url encoding, without padding, of the UTF-8 encoded JWT Header (see example below),
- the base64url encoding, without padding, of the UTF-8 encoded UAF Metadata TOC Payload (see example at the beginning of section Metadata TOC Format),
- and the base64url-encoded, also without padding, JWS Signature [JWS] computed over the to-be-signed payload using the Metadata TOC signing key, i.e.

```
tbsPayload = EncodedJWTHeader | "." | EncodedMetadataTOCPayload
```

All three elements of the TOC are concatenated by a period ("."):

```
MetadataTOC = EncodedJWTHeader | "." | EncodedMetadataTOCPayload | "." | EncodedJWSSignature
```

The hash algorithm related to the signing algorithm specified in the JWT Header (e.g. SHA256 in the case of "ES256") must also be used to compute the hash of the metadata statements (see section Metadata TOC Payload Entry Dictionary).

3.1.6.1 Examples

This section is non-normative.

### **EXAMPLE 3: Encoded Metadata Statement**

eyAiQUFJRCI6ICIxMjM0IzU2NzgiLA0KICAiQXR0ZXN0YXRpb25Sb290Q2VydGlmaWNhdGUiOiAi  ${\tt T\bar{U}lJQ1BUQ0NBZU9nQ\bar{X}dJQkFnSU\bar{p}BT3V1eHZVM095MndNQW9\bar{H}Q0NxR1NNNDl\bar{C}QU1DTUhzeE1EQWVC}$ Z05WOkFNTO0KR;FOaGJYOnNaU0JCZEhSbGMzUmhkR2x2YmlCU2IvOTBNU113RkFZRFZRUUtEOTFH U1VSUE1FRNNIR2xoYm10bA0KTVJFd0R3WURWUVFMREFoV1FVWWdWRmRITERFU01COUdBMVVFOnd3 SlvHRnNieUJCYkhSdk1Rc3dDUV1EV1FRSQ0KREFKRFFURUxNQWtHQTFVRUJoTUNWVk13SGhjTk1U UXdOakU0TVRNek16TX1XaGNOTkRFeE1UQXpNVE16TXpNeQ0KV2pCN01TQXdIZ11EV1FRRERCZFRZ VzF3YkdVZ1FYUjBaWE4wWVhScGIyNGdVbTl2ZERFV0lCUUdBMVVFQ2d3Tg0KUmtsRVR5QkJiR3hw WVc1alpURVJNQThHQTFVRUN3d01WVUZHSUZSWFJ5d3hFakFRQmdOVkJBY01DVkJoYkc4Zw0KUVd4  ${\tt MGJ6RU\bar{x}NQWtHQTFVRUNBd0NRMEV4Q3pBSkJnT1ZCQV1UQWxWVE1Ga3dFd11IS29aSXpqMENBUV1J}$  ${\tt S29aSQ0KemowREFRY0RRZ0FFSDhodjJEMEhYYTU5L0JtcFE3UlplaEwvRk1HekzkMvFCzz12QvVwT1ozYWpudVE5NFBSNw0KYU16SDMzb1VTQn14ZkhZRHJxT0JiNThweEdxSEpSeVgvNk5RTUU0d0hRWURWUjBPQkJzRUZQb0hBM0NMaHhGYg0KQzBJdDd6RTR3OGhrNUVKL01COEdBMVVkSXdRWU1CYUFG}$ UG9IQTNDTGh4RmJDME10N3pFNHc4aGs1RUovTUF3Rw0KQTFVZEV3UUZNQU1CQWY4d0NnWU1Lb1pJ emowRUF3SURTQUF3U1FJaEFKMDZRU1h0OWloSWJFS11LSWpzUGtyaQ0KVmRMSWd0ZnNiRFN1N0Vy DQogICJEZXNjcmlwdGlvbiI6ICJGSURPIEFsbGlhbmNlIFNhbXBsZSBVQUYgQXV0aGVudGljYXRv ciIsDQogICJVc2VyVmVyaWZpY2F0aW9uTWV0aG9kcyI6IDIsDQogICJWYWxpZEF0dGFjaGllbnRU eXBlcyI6IDEsDQogICJLZXlQcm90ZWN0aW9uIjogNiwNCiAgIk1hdGNoZXJQcm90ZWN0aW9uIjog MiwNCiAgIlNlY3VyZURpc3BsYXkiOiA0LA0KICAiU2VjdXJlRGlzcGxheUNvbnRlbnRUeXBlcyI6 IFsiaWlhZ2UvcG5nIl0sDQogICJTZWN1cmVEaXNwbGF5UE5HQ2hhcmFjdGVyaXN0aWNzIjogW1sw LDAsMSw2NCwwLDAsMSwyMjQsMTYsMiwwLDAsMF1dLA0KICAiaXNTZWNvbmRGYWN0b3JPbmx5Ijog ImZhbHNlIiwNCiAgIkljb24iOiAiZGF0YTppbWFnZS9wbmc7YmFzZTY0LGlWQk9SdzBLR2dvQUFBLR2dvQU5TVWhFVWdBQUFFOEFBQUF2Q0FZQUFBQ213SmZjQUFBQUFYT1NSME1BcnM0YzZRQUFBQVJuUVUx QkFBQ3gNCmp3djhZUVVBQUFBSmNFaFpjd0FBRHNNQUFBN0RBY2R2cUdRQUFBYWhTVVJCVkdoRDda cjvieFJsR01mOUt6VEI4QU0vWUVoRTJXN3ANC1FaY1dLS0JjbFnwSEFUbEVMQVJFN2tORUNDQTNG 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MWRUZ0hlNlYNCjhOUUozYndGa3dwRnJVTlElMHMxcjNsZXZtOHpaY3ExNytCQmF3NOs4bEVLNXF6 alllYXJrOUE4cDdQM0d6REsrbmQzRFFvdys2VUMNCjhTVk44MmlldjM4aW03TnRhWHRWMUNWcTZS Z3c0cGtzbWJkaTNidTJEZTdZZmFCQnhjcWZ2cVByVWpGUU5UUTIybGZkVVZWVDY4c1QNCkpLRjVE blntvWpnZHFnNG1TUzlwbXNmRepSM0c2VG9IMGlXOWFWN0xXTEhZWEtsbFREdDBMVEF0a1lJYWFt  $\verb|cdfra| 1 2 \texttt{Kyt1} = \texttt{UdVeFYNCmRKME} | ROV1 + TbStimXFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwMU8vZDY5dHNvZDB2czVolor | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwMU8vZDY5dHNvZDB2czVolor | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwMU8vZDB2czVolor | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwMU8vZDAyVolor | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwWU8vZDAyVolor | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwWU8vZDAyVolor | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwww. | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwww. | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwww. | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwww. | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwww. | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxwww. | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxww. | TbStimZFSeHBsODRkZGZYMUxww. | TbSt$  $R3J10Xh10\bar{G}8rznBMUjfjR2h0VEQ2WjU3Qz1LTVdYZWZKZE8NC1o5NGJiOW9xZDfST25TN3fJVFR6\\ SG1tTXFpdmJPM2cwRGRWeWszV1FCaEJ6dEszNV1LTmRPbmM4TzNhY1M2ZkRaRmdLYVhMc0VKcDUNCnJkcmxpQnFwOD1jSmNzL203VHZzMHJrakdmTjRiMGtQb1puM1VKdU1Pcm5aMjJ5UDFmbXZVeCtP$ NWdTcWViVjFtK3pTdVlOVmhxN1QNCldiRGlMVnZsanBsTGxvcDZDTFhQKzJxdHZHTElMLzF2aW1J U2RNQmd6U29GWn11N1RxzCtqenhnc1BhVj1CQ3F1zS9Oal1rNnY2bEsNCj1jd21VYy9TVHRmMUhE cE0zŸjU5Mnk3aDNUaHg1b3pLNjlITHBZV3VBd2FxUzVjdjI2cTdjZWI4ZŴZŴWWFSZVAzaUZVOHpq MWtuU3cNClpYSE1tbkNqWTBPZ2FsbzdVUWZTQ00zcVFRcjJIL1hGUDdzc1h4NDVZbDkxQn11Q2Vv NG1vWm91KzFmRzN4RDR0VDd4OGt3eWo4bncNCmI5ZXYyN1YwQjZkKzdINHpLdnVkQUg1MzdGanF5ek91ZEpuSEV1em1YcS9XanhPYnZOTWJ2N25oeXdzWDJhVnNXdEM4KzQ4YUx1YXANCkU3cDV3S1pp MEEYQVFSVjVudlIORSt1SmMrYjYxa0FwcUlueEJnbWQvNFY1UVAvbXQx0EhEQzdzUkhmdG1ldTVsbWhWMHJuL0FMWDINCjMyYnFkNEJGbkR4N1ZpMWNXUzJ1ZmYwSWJCNDdxZXh4bVVqOVF1dFlqdXBk M3RZRDZhYldCQk1yaCthcE5iT0tyTkYxK3VnQ2E0cmkNClhHZndNUFB0VmlhdmhVM1lNT0FBbnVV Yi9SMDdMMH1PU2VPYWRFODhBcHNYRkdmZjMweW5obEpnTTUxQ1U2dk45RXpnbnB2SEJGVXkNCmlW cmFlUGl3SjUzREY1WlRabm9tRU5nODVrTlVkMm9KaTJXcHI0T21ta2ZONHg0ekhmaVZGYzhEdjhO enVoTnFPaWRpbEd2QTZER3UNCmVad0830EFBUW42Y21FazYrcnc1VmN2anZxTkRZUE9vSVV3YUtTaHJ4QXVYTGxrSDRhWXVHZk1ZRGMxMFdGNVRhMzFoUEpPZmNVaHINC1UvSmxJTmk2YzZ1bFJZZEJwbzYrK1lmang2MWxHTmZSbTRNRDVySjFqM0ZvR0huakRTQk5hc1lVZ01MeU1zektwYjd0WHBvSGZQ czqNCmqzV3AxTHpOZk5rNTRYeEMxd0RHVW1ZelhZZWZoNnovY0t0Vm00RUJ4YT1WUUdEellyM0xy

VU1SakhFS2trN3phRktZUUEyaEdRVTENCnorODVORldwWERya3ozdngxMEdxeFE2QnplTmJvQms1bjhrNG51YlJoK2sxaFdmeFRGMEQxRX1XVXM1bnYrZGdRcUtheHp1Q2RFMGkNCnNIbDAyTlE4YWgwbVhyMTJMYTNtMGY5d2lrOSt3TE5UTVkvODZNUG84eWkzMU9meG1UN1BXb3FHOStEWnVrwW5hNTZtU1p0NVdXU3kNCjVxVkExcndVeUpxWEFsbnpraWFpL2dIU0Q3UmtUeWlob2dBQUFBQkpSVTVFcmtKZ2dnPT0iLA0KICAiQXNzZXJ0aW9uU2NoZWllIjogIlVBRlYxVExWIiwNCiAgIkFldGhlbnRpY2F0aW9uQWxnb3JpdGhtIjogMSwNCiAgIkF0dGVzdGF0aW9uVHlwZXMiOiBbMTYzOTFdLA0KICAiVVBWIjogW1sxLDBdXQ0KfQ0K

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EXAMPLE 4: JWT Header

{"typ":"JWT",
    "alg":"ES256"
    "x5t#S256":"7231962210d2933ec993a77b4a7203898ab74cdf974ff02d2de3f1ec7cb9de68"}
```

In order to produce the tbsPayload, we first need the base64url-encoded (without padding) JWT Header:

#### **EXAMPLE 5: Encoded JWT Header**

eyJ0eXAiOiJKV1QiLAogImFsZyI6IkVTMjU2IiwKICJ4NXQjUzI1NiI6IjcyMzE5NjIyMTBkMjkz M2VjOTkzYTc3YjRhNzIwMzg5OGFiNzRjZGY5NzRmZjAyZDJkZTNmMWVjN2NiOWRlNjgifQ

then we have to append a period (".") and the base64url encoding of the ncodedMetadataTOCPayload (taken from the example in section Metadata TOC Format):

### **EXAMPLE 6: tbsPayload**

eyJ0eXAiOiJKV1QiLAogImFsZyI6IkVTMjU2IiwKICJ4NXQjUzI1NiI6IjcyMzE5NjIyMTBkMjkz M2VjOTkzYTc3YjRhNzIwMzg5OGFiNzRjZGY5NzRmZjAyZDJkZTNmMWVjN2NiOWRlNjgifQ.
eyAibm8iOiAxMjM0LCAibmV4dC11cGRhdGUIOiAiMzEtMDMtMjAxNCIsDQogICJlbnRyaWVzIjog Ww0KICAgeyAiYWFpZC16ICIxMjM0IzU2NzgiLCANCiAgICAgImhhc2giOiAiOTBkYThkYTZkZTIz MjQ4YWJiMzRkYTBkNDg2MWY0YjMwYTc5M2UxOThhOGQIYmFhN2Y5OGYYNjBkYjcxYWNkNCIsIAOK ICAgICAidXJsIjogImh0dHBzOi8vZmlkb2FsbGlhbmN1Lm9yZy9tZXRhZGF0YS8xMjM0JXgyM2Fi Y2QiLCANCiAgICAgICAidGltZU9mTGFZdFN0 YXR1cyI6ICJmawRvQ2VydGlmaWVkIg0KICAgICAidGltZU9mTGFZdFN0 YXR1cONOYW5nZSI6ICIiLAOKICAgICAiY2VydGlmaWNhdGlvbkRhdGUIOiAiMjAxNC0wMS0wNCIg fSwNCiAgIHsgImFhawQiOiAiOTg3NiMOMzIxIiwgDQogICAgICJoYXNOIjogIjc4NWQxNmRmNjQw ZmQ3YjUwZWQxNzRjYjU2NDVjYzBmMWU3MmI3ZjE5Y2YyMjklOTA1MmRkMjBiOTUOMWM2NGQiLAOK ICAgICAidXJsIjogImh0dHBzOi8vYXVOaG5yLXzlbmRvcilhLmNvbS9tZXRhZGF0YS85ODc2JXgy MzQZMjEiLAOKICAgICAic3RhdHVzIjogImZpZG9DZXJOaWZpZWQiDQogICAgICJOaW11T2ZMYXNO U3RhdHVzQ2hhbmdlIjogIjiwMTQtMDItMTkiLAOKICAgICAiY2VydGlmaWNhdGlvbkRhdGUiOiAi MjAxNCOwMSOwNyIgfQOKICBdDQp9DQO

and finally we have to append another period (".") followed by the base64url-encoded signature.

### **EXAMPLE 7: JWT**

eyJ0eXAiOiJKV1QiLAogImFsZyI6IkVTMjU2IiwKICJ4NXQjUzIlNiI6IjcyMzE5NjIyMTBkMjkz M2VjOTkzYTc3YjRhNzIwMzg5OGFiNzRjZGY5NzRmZjAyZDJkZTNmMWVjN2NiOWRNNjgifQ.
eyAibm8iOiAxMjMOLCAibmV4dC11cGRhdGUiOiAiMzEtMDMtMjAxNCIsDQogICJlbnRyaWVzIjog Ww0KICAgeyAiYWFpZCI6ICIxMjM0IzU2NzgiLCANCiAgICAgImhhc2giOiAiOTBkYThkYTZkZTIz MjQ4YWJiMzRkYTBkNDg2MWY0YjMwYTc5M2UxOThhOGQ1YmFhN2Y5OGYyNjBkYjcxYWNkNCIsIAOK ICAgICAidXJsIjogImh0dHBzOi8vZmlkb2FsbGlhbmNlLm9yZ99tZXRhZGF0YS8xMjM0JXgyM2Fi Y2QiLCANCiAgICAgICAidGltzU9mTGFzdFN0 YXR1c0NOYW5nZSI6ICIILAOKICAgICAiY2VydGlmaWNkIg0KICAgICAidGltzU9mTGFzdFN0 YXR1c0NOYW5nZSI6ICIILAOKICAgICAiY2VydGlmaWNhdGlvbkRhdGUiOiAiMjAxNCOwMS0wNCIg fSwNCiAgIHsgImFhaWQiOiAiOTg3NiMOMzIxIiwgDQogICAgICJOYXNOIjogIjc4NWQxNmRmNjQ ExmQ3YjUwZWQxNzRjYjU2NDVjYzBmMWU3MmI3ZjE5Y2YyMjklOTAlMmRkMjBiOTUOMWM2NGQiLAOK ICAgICAidXJsIjogImh0dHBzOi8vYXV0aG5yLXzlbmRvcilhLmNvbS9tZXRhZGF0YS85ODc2JXgy MzQZMjEiLAOKICAgICAic3RhdHVzIjogImZpZG9DZXJ0aWZpZWQiDQogICAgICJ0aWllT2ZMYXNO U3RhdHVzQ2hhbmdiljogIjIwMTQtMDItMTkiLAOKICAgICAiY2VydGlmaWNhdGlvbkRhdGUiOiAi MjAxNCOwMS0wNyIgfQOKICBdDQp9DQo.
AP-qoJ3VPzj7Tc6lCEIUZHZJYQnszFQ8d2hJz51sPASgyABK5VXOFnAHzBTQRRkgwGqULy6PtTyUV ZKXMOHrvoyZq

### **NOTE**

The line breaks are for display purposes only.

The signature in the example above was computed with the following ECDSA key

# EXAMPLE 8: ECDSA Key used for signature computation

- x: d4166ba8843d1731813f46f1af32174b5c2f6013831fb16f12c9c0b18af3a9b4
- y: 861bc2f803a2241f4939bd0d8ecd34e468e42f7fdccd424edb1c3ce7c4dd04e
- d: 3744c426764f331f153e182d24f133190b6393cea480a8eec1c722fce161fe2d

# 3.1.7 Metadata TOC object processing rules

The FIDO Server must follow these processing rules:

- The FIDO Server must be able to download the latest metadata TOC object from the well-known URL, when appropriate. The nextupdate field of the Metadata TOC specifies a date when the download should occur at latest.
- 2. If the x5u attribute is present in the JWT Header, then:
  - 1. The FIDO Server must verify that the URL specified by the x5u attribute has the same web-origin as the URL used to download the metadata TOC from. The FIDO Server should ignore the file if the web-origin differs (in order to prevent loading objects from arbitrary sites).
  - The FIDO Server must download the certificate (chain) from the URL specified by the x5u attribute [JWS].
     The certificate chain must be verified to properly chain to the metadata TOC signing trust anchor according to [RFC5280]. All certificates in the chain must be checked for revocation according to [RFC5280].
  - The FIDO Server should ignore the file if the chain cannot be verified or if one of the chain certificates is revoked.
- 3. If the x5u attribute is missing, the chain should be retrieved from thex5c attribute. If that attribute is missing as well, Metadata TOC signing trust anchor is considered the TOC signing certificate chain.
- 4. Verify the signature of the Metadata TOC object using the TOC signing certificate chain (as determined by the steps above). The FIDO Server should ignore the file if the signature is invalid. It should also ignore the file if its number (no) is less or equal to the number of the last Metadata TOC object cached locally.
- 5. Write the verified object to a local cache as required.
- 6. Iterate through the individual entries (of typeMetadataTOCPayloadEntry). For each entry:
  - 1. Ignore the entry if the AAID, AAGUID or attestationCertificateKeyldentifiers is not relevant to the relying party (e.g. not acceptable by any policy)
  - Download the metadata statement from the URL specified by the field url. Some authenticator vendors
    might require authentication in order to provide access to the data. Conforming FIDO Servers should
    support the HTTP Basic, and HTTP Digest authentication schemes, as defined in [RFC2617].
  - 3. Check whether the status report of the authenticator model has changed compared to the cached entry by looking at the fields timeofLastStatusChange and statusReport. Update the status of the cached entry. It is up to the relying party to specify behavior for authenticators with status reports that indicate a lack of certification, or known security issues. However, the status REVOKED indicates significant security issues related to such authenticators.

#### **NOTE**

Authenticators with an unacceptable status should be marked accordingly. This information is required for building registration and authentication policies included in the registration request and the authentication request [UAFProtocol].

- 4. Compute the hash value of the (base64url encoding without padding of the UTF-8 encoded) metadata statement downloaded from the URL and verify the hash value to the hash specified in the field hash of the metadata TOC object. Ignore the downloaded metadata statement if the hash value doesn't match.
- 5. Update the cached metadata statement according to the dowloaded one.

### 4. Considerations

This section is non-normative.

This section describes the key considerations for designing this metadata service.

**Need for Authenticator Metadata** When defining policies for acceptable authenticators, it is often better to describe the required authenticator characteristics in a generic way than to list individual authenticator AAIDs. The metadata statements provide such information. Authenticator metadata also provides the trust anchor required to verify attestation objects.

The metadata service provides a standardized method to access such metadata statements.

**Integrity and Authenticity** Metadata statements include information relevant for the security. Some business verticals might even have the need to document authenticator policies and trust anchors used for verifying attestation objects for auditing purposes.

It is important to have a strong method to verify and proof integrity and authenticity and the freshness of metadata statements. We are using a single digital signature to protect the integrity and authenticity of the Metadata TOC object and we protect the integrity and authenticity of the individual metadata statements by including their cryptographic hash values into the Metadata TOC object. This allows for flexible distribution of the metadata statements and the Metadata TOC object using standard content distribution networks.

**Organizational Impact** Authenticator vendors can delegate the publication of metadata statements to the metadata service in its entirety. Even if authenticator vendors choose to publish metadata statements themselves, the effort is very limited as the metadata statement can be published like a normal document on a website. The FIDO Alliance has control over the FIDO certification process and receives the metadata as part of that process anyway. With this

metadata service, the list of known authenticators needs to be updated, signed and published regularly. A single signature needs to be generated in order to protect the integrity and authenticity of the metadata TOC object.

Performance Impact Metadata TOC objects and metadata statements can be cached by the FIDO Server.

The update policy can be specified by the relying party.

The metadata TOC object includes a date for the next scheduled update. As a result there is *no additional impact* to the FIDO Server during FIDO Authentication or FIDO Registration operations.

Updating the Metadata TOC object and metadata statements can be performed asynchronously. This reduces the availability requirements for the metadata service and the load for the FIDO Server.

The metadata TOC object itself is relatively small as it does not contain the individual metadata statements. So downloading the metadata TOC object does not generate excessive data traffic.

Individual metadata statements are expected to change less frequently than the metadata TOC object. Only the modified metadata statements need be downloaded by the FIDO Server.

**Non-public Metadata Statements** Some authenticator vendors might want to provide access to metadata statements only to their subscribed customers.

They can publish the metadata statements on access protected URLs. The access URL and the cryptographic hash of the metadata statement is included in the metadata TOC object.

**High Security Environments** Some high security environments might only trust internal policy authorities. FIDO Servers in such environments could be restricted to use metadata TOC objects from a proprietary trusted source only. The metadata service is the baseline for most relying parties.

**Extended Authenticator Information** Some relying parties might want additional information about authenticators before accepting them. The policy configuration is under control of the relying party, so it is possible to only accept authenticators for which additional data is available and meets the requirements.

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# **Abstract**

The FIDO Basic Attestation scheme uses attestation "group" keys shared across a set of authenticators with identical characteristics in order to preserve privacy by avoiding the introduction of global correlation handles. If such an attestation key is extracted from one single authenticator, it is possible to create a "fake" authenticator using the same key and hence indistinguishable from the original authenticators by the relying party. Removing trust for registering new authenticators with the related key would affect the entire set of authenticators sharing the same "group" key. Depending on the number of authenticators, this risk might be unacceptable high.

This is especially relevant when the attestation key is primarily protected against malware attacks as opposed to targeted physical attacks.

An alternative approach to "group" keys is the use of individual keys combined with a Privacy-CA [TPMv1-2-Part1]. Translated to FIDO, this approach would require one Privacy-CA interaction for each Uauth key. This means relatively high load and high availability requirements for the Privacy-CA. Additionally the Privacy-CA aggregates sensitive information (i.e. knowing the relying parties the user interacts with). This might make the Privacy-CA an interesting attack target.

Another alternative is the Direct Anonymous Attestation [BriCamChe2004-DAA]. Direct Anonymous Attestation is a cryptographic scheme combining privacy with security. It uses the authenticator specific secret once to communicate with a single DAA Issuer and uses the resulting DAA credential in the DAA-Sign protocol with each relying party. The DAA scheme has been adopted by the Trusted Computing Group for TPM v1.2 [TPMv1-2-Part1].

In this document, we specify the use of an improved DAA scheme based on elliptic curves and bilinear pairings largely compatible with [CheLi2013-ECDAA] called ECDAA. This scheme provides significantly improved performance compared with the original DAA and basic building blocks for its implementation

are part of the TPMv2 specification [TPMv2-Part1].

Our improvements over [CheLi2013-ECDAA] mainly consist of security fixes (see [ANZ-2013] and [XYZF-2014]) when splitting the sign operation into two parts.

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# 1. Notation

Type names, attribute names and element names are written ascode.

String literals are enclosed in "", e.g. "ED256".

In formulas we use "I" to denote byte wise concatenation operations.

 $X = P^{x}$  denotes scalar multiplication (with scalar x) of a (elliptic) curve point P.

RAND(x) denotes generation of a random number between 0 and x-1.

RAND(G) denotes generation of a random number belonging to Group G.

Specific terminology used in this document is defined in [FIDOGlossary].

The type BigNumber denotes an arbitrary length integer value.

The type **ECPoint** denotes an elliptic curve point with its affine coordinates x and y.

The type ECPoint2 denotes a point on the sextic twist of a BN elliptic curve over $F(q^2)$ . The ECPoint2 has two affine coordinates each having two components of type BigNumber

#### 1.1 Conformance

As well as sections marked as non-normative, all authoring guidelines, diagrams, examples, and notes in this specification are non-normative. Everything else in this specification is normative.

The key words must, must not, required, should, should not, recommended, may, and optional in this specification are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

# 2. Overview

This section is non-normative.

FIDO uses the concept of attestation to provide a cryptographic proof of the **authenticator** [FIDOGlossary] model to the relying party. When the authenticator is registered to the relying party (RP), it generates a new authentication key pair and includes the public key in the attestation message (also known as key registration data object, **KRD**). When using the ECDAA algorithm, the <u>KRD</u> object is signed using <u>3.5 ECDAA-Sign</u>.

For privacy reasons, the authentication key pair is dedicated to one RP (to an application identifier **ApplD** [FIDOGlossary] to be more specific). Consequently the attestation method needs to provide the same level of unlinkability. This is the reason why the FIDO ECDAA Algorithm doesn't use a basename (bsn) often found in other direct anonymous attestation algorithms, e.g. [BriCamChe2004-DAA] or [BFGSW-2011].

The authenticator encapsulates all user verification operations and cryptographic functions. An authenticator specific module (**ASM**) [FIDOGlossary] is used to provide a standardized communication interface for authenticators. The authenticator might be implemented in separate hardware or trusted execution environments. The ASM is assumed to run in the normal operating system (e.g. Android, Windows, ...).

# 2.1 Scope

This document describes the FIDO ECDAA attestation algorithm in detail.

### 2.2 Architecture Overview

ECDAA attestation defines <u>global system parameters</u> and <u>issuer specific parameters</u>. Both parameter sets need to be installed on the host, in the <u>authenticator</u> and in the FIDO Server. The ECDAA method consists of two steps:

- <u>ECDAA-Join</u> to be performed before the first FIDO Registration
  - n = GetNonceFromECDAAlssuer()
  - (Q, c1, s1) = EcdaaJoin1(X, Y, n)
  - (A, B, C, D, s2, c2) = EcdaalssuerJoin(Q, c1, s1)
  - EcdaaJoin2(A, B, C, D, c2, s2) // store cre=(A, B, C, D)
- and the pair of <u>ECDAA-Sign</u> performed by the <u>authenticator</u> and <u>ECDAA-Verify</u> performed by the FIDO Server as part of the FIDO Registration.
  - Client: Attestation = (signature, KRD) = EcdaaSign(AppID)
  - Server: success=EcdaaVerify(signature, KRD, AppID)

The technical implementation details of the ECDAA-Join step are out-of-scope for FIDO. In this document we normatively specify the general algorithm to the extent required for interoperability and we outline examples of some possible implementations for this step.

The ECDAA-Sign and ECDAA-Verify steps and the encoding of the related ECDAA Signature are normatively specified in this document. The generation and encoding of the KRD object is defined in other FIDO specifications.

The algorithm and terminology are inspired by [BFGSW-2011]. The algorithm was modified in order to fix security weaknesses (e.g. as mentioned by [ANZ-2013] and [XYZF-2014]). Our algorithm proposes an improved task split for the sign operation while still being compatible to TPMv2 (without fixing the TPMv2 weaknesses in such case).

# 3. FIDO ECDAA Attestation

This section is normative.

# 3.1 Object Encodings

We need to convert BigNumber and ECPoint objects to byte strings using the following encoding functions:

### 3.1.1 Encoding BigNumber values as byte strings (BigNumberToB)

We use the I2OSP algorithm as defined in [RFC3447] for converting big numbers to byte arrays. The bytes from the big endian encoded (non-negative) number  $\bf n$  will be copied right-aligned into the buffer area  $\bf b$ . The unused bytes will be set to 0. Negative values will not occur due to the construction of the algorithms.

```
EXAMPLE 1: Converting BigNumber n to byte string b

b0 b1 b2 b3 b4 b5 b6 b7
0 0 n0 n1 n2 n3 n4 n5
```

The algorithm implemented in Java looks like this:

# **EXAMPLE 2: Algorithm for converting BigNumber to byte strings**

```
ByteArray BigNumberToB(
          BigNumber inVal, // IN: number to convert
          int size // IN: size of the output.
)
{
    ByteArray buffer = new ByteArray(size);
    int oversize = size - inVal.length;
    if (oversize < 0)
        return null;
    for (int i=overvize; i > 0; i--)
        buffer[i] = 0;
    ByteCopy( inVal.bytes, &buffer[oversize], inVal.length);
    return buffer;
}
```

### 3.1.2 Encoding ECPoint values as byte strings (ECPointToB)

We use the ANSI X9.62 Point-to-Octet-String [ECDSA-ANSI] conversion using the expanded format, i.e. the format where the compression byte (i.e. 0x04 for expanded) is followed by the encoding of the affine x coordinate, followed by the encoding of the affine y coordinate.

```
EXAMPLE 3: Converting ECPoint P to byte string

(x, y) = ECPointGetAffineCoordinates(P)
len = G1.byteLength
byte string = 0x04 | BigIntegerToB(x,len) | BigIntegerToB(y,len)
```

# 3.1.3 Encoding ECPoint2 values as byte strings (ECPoint2ToB)

The type ECPoint2 denotes a point on the sextic twist of a BN elliptic curve over  $F(q^2)$ , see section <u>4.1</u> Supported Curves for ECDAA. Each ECPoint2 is represented by a pair (a, b) of elements of F(q).

The group zero element is always encoded (using the encoding rules as described below) as a an element having all components set to zero (i.e. cx.a=0, cx.b=0, cy.b=0).

We always assume normalized (non-zero) ECPoint2 values (i.e. cz = 1) before encoding them. Non-zero values are encoded using the expanded format (i.e. 0x04 for expanded) followed by the cx followed by the cy value. This leads to the concatenation of 0x04 followed by the first element (cx.a) and second element (cx.b) of the pair of cx followed by the first element (cy.a) and second element (cy.b) of the pair of cy. All individual numbers are padded to the same length (i.e. the maximum byte length of all relevant 4 numbers).

# 3.2 Global ECDAA System Parameters

- 1. Groups  $G^1$ ,  $G^2$  and  $G^T$ , of sufficiently large prime order p
- 2. Two generators  $P^1$  and  $P^2$ , such that  $G^1=\langle P^1\rangle$  and  $G^2=\langle P^2\rangle$
- 3. A bilinear pairing  $e:G^1\times G^2\to G^T$ . We propose the use of "ate" pairing (see [BarNae-2006]). For example source code on this topic, see <u>BNPairings</u>.
- 4. Hash function H with  $H:\left\{ 0,1\right\} ^{st}
  ightarrow Z^{p}.$
- 5.  $(G^1, P^1, p, H)$  are installed in all authenticators implementing FIDO ECDAA attestation.

# Definition of $G^{1}, G^{2}, G^{T}$ , Pairings and hash function H

See section <u>4.1 Supported Curves for ECDAA</u>.

# 3.3 Issuer Specific ECDAA Parameters

Issuer Parameters parl

- 1. Randomly generated issuer private key isk = (x, y) with [x, y = RAND(p)].
- 2. ECDAA-Issuer public key (X,Y), with  $X=P_2^x$  and  $Y=P_2^y$ .
- 3. A proof that the issuer key was correctly computed
  - 1. BigInteger  $r^x = RAND(p)$
  - 2. BigInteger ry = RAND(p)

- 3. ECPoint2  $U^x = P_2^{r^x}$
- 4. ECPoint2  $U^y = P_2^{r_y}$
- 5. BigInteger  $c = H(Ux|Uy|P^2|X|Y)$
- 6. BigInteger  $s^x = r^x + c \cdot x \pmod{p}$
- 7. BigInteger  $sy = ry + c \cdot y \pmod{p}$

4. 
$$ipk = X, Y, c, s^x, s^y$$

Whenever a party uses ipk for the first time, it must first verify that it was correctly generated:

$$H(P_2^{sx} \cdot X^{-c} | P_2^{sy} \cdot Y^{-c} | P_2|X|Y) \stackrel{?}{=} c$$

#### NOTE

$$P_2^{sx} \cdot X^{-c} = P_2^{rx+cx} \cdot P_2^{-cx} = P_2^{rx} = Ux$$

$$P_2^{sy} \cdot Y^{-c} = P_2^{ry+cy} \cdot P_2^{-cy} = P_2^{ry} = Uy$$

The ECDAA-Issuer public key ipk must be dedicated to a single authenticator model.

We use the element c of ipk as an identifier for the ECDAA-Issuer public key (called **ECDAA-Issuer** public key identifier).

#### 3.4 ECDAA-Join

#### NOTE

One ECDAA-Join operation is required once in the lifetime of an<u>authenticator</u> prior to the first registration of a credential.

In order to use ECDAA, the authenticator must first receive ECDAA credentials from an ECDAA-Issuer. This is done by the ECDAA-Join operation. This operation needs to be performed a single time (before the first credential registration can take place). After the ECDAA-Join, the authenticator will use the ECDAA-Sign operation as part of each FIDO Registration. The ECDAA-Issuer is not involved in this step. ECDAA plays no role in FIDO Authentication / Transaction Confirmation operations.

In order to use ECDAA, (at least) one ECDAA-Issuer is needed. The approach specified in this document easily scales to multiple ECDAA-Issuers, e.g. one per authenticator vendor. FIDO lets the authenticator vendor choose any ECDAA-Issuer (similar to his current freedom for selecting any PKI infrastructure/service provider to issuing attestation certificates required for FIDO Basic Attestation).

- All ECDAA-Join operations (of the related authenticators) are performed with one of the ECDAA-Issuer entities.
- Each ECDAA-Issuer has a set of public parameters, i.e. ECDAA public key material. The related Attestation Trust Anchor is contained in the metadata of each <u>authenticator</u> model identified by its AAGUID.

There are two different implementation options relevant for the <u>authenticator</u> vendors (the <u>authenticator</u> vendor can freely choose them):

- 1. In-Factory ECDAA-Join
- 2. Remote ECDAA-Join and

In the first case, physical proximity is used to locally establish the trust between the ECDAA-Issuer and the authenticator (e.g. using a key provisioning station in a production line). There is no requirement for the ECDAA-Issuer to operate an online web service.

In the second case, some credential is required to remotely establish the trust between the ECDAA-Issuer and the authenticator. As this operation is performed once and only with a single ECDAA-Issuer, privacy is preserved and an authenticator specific credential can and should be used.

Not all ECDAA authenticators might be able to add theirauthenticator model IDs (e.g. AAGUID) to the registration assertion (e.g. TPMs). In all cases, the ECDAA-Issuer will be able to derive the exact the authenticator model from either the credential or the physically proximiate authenticator. So the ECDAA-Issuer root key must be dedicated to a single authenticator model.

# 3.4.1 ECDAA-Join Algorithm

This section is normative.

#### **NOTE**

If this join is not in-factory, the value Q must be authenticated by the <u>authenticator</u>. Upon receiving this value, the issuer must verify that this authenticator did not join before.

- 1. The authenticator asks the issuer for a nonce.
- 2. The issuer chooses a nonce BigInteger n=RAND(p) and sends n via the  $\underline{\mathsf{ASM}}$  to the authenticator.
- 3. The authenticator chooses and stores the ECDAA private key BigInteger sk = RAND(p)
- 4. The authenticator computes its ECDAA public key ECPoint  $Q=P_{
  m l}^{sk}$
- 5. The authenticator proves knowledge of sk as follows
  - 1. BigInteger  $r^1 = RAND(p)$
  - 2. ECPoint  $U^1=P_1^{r^1}$
  - 3. BigInteger  $c^1 = H(U^1|P^1|Q|n)$
  - 4. BigInteger  $s^1 = r^1 + c^1 \cdot sk$
- 6. The authenticator sends  $Q, c^1, s^1$  via the ASM to the issuer
- 7. The issuer verifies that the authenticator is "authentic" and that Q was indeed generated by the authenticator. In the case of an in-factory Join, this might be trivial; in the case of a remote Join this typically requires the use of other cryptographic methods. Since ECDAA-Join is a one-time operation, unlinkability is not a concern for that.
- 8. The issuer verifies that  $Q \in G^1$  and verifies  $H(P_1^{s^1} \cdot Q^{-c^1}|P^1|Q|n) \stackrel{?}{=} c^1$  (check proof-of-possession of private key).

#### NOTE

$$P_{1}^{s^{1}} \cdot Q^{-c^{1}} = P_{1}^{r_{1} + c^{1}sk} \cdot Q^{-c^{1}} = P_{1}^{r_{1} + c^{1}sk} \cdot P_{1}^{-c^{1}sk} = P_{1}^{r_{1}} = U_{1}$$

- 9. The issuer creates credential (A,B,C,D) as follows
  - 1. BigInteger  $l^J=RAND(p)$
  - 2. ECPoint  $A = P_1^{l_J}$
  - 3. ECPoint  $B = A^y$
  - 4. ECPoint  $C = \boldsymbol{A}^{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{Q}^{xyl^{J}}$
  - 5. ECPoint  $D=Q^{l^{J}y}$
- 10. The issuer proves that it computed this credential correctly:

- 1. BigInteger  $r^2 = RAND(p)$
- 2. ECPoint  $U^2 = P_1^{r^2}$
- 3. ECPoint  $V^2 = Q^{r^2}$
- 4. BigInteger  $c^2 = H(U^2|V^2|P^1|B|Q|D)$
- 5. BigInteger  $s^2 = r^2 + c^2 \cdot lJ \cdot u$
- 11. The issuer sends  $A, B, C, D, c^2, s^2$  to the authenticator.
- 12. The authent<u>icator</u> checks that  $A,B,C,D\in G^1$  and  $A
  eq 1^{G^1}$
- 13. The authenticator checks  $H(P_1^{s^2}\cdot B^{-c^2}|Q^{s^2}\cdot D^{-c^2}|P^1|B|Q|D)\stackrel{?}{=}c^2$

$$egin{aligned} P_1^{s^2} \cdot B^{-c^2} &= P_1^{r^2} \cdot P_1^{c^2 \cdot lJ \cdot y} \cdot B^{-c^2} &= U_2 \cdot B^{c^2} \cdot B^{-c^2} &= U_2 \ Q^{s^2} \cdot D^{-c^2} &= Q^{r^2} \cdot Q^{c^2 \cdot lJ \cdot y} \cdot D^{-c^2} &= V_2 \cdot D^{c^2} \cdot D^{-c^2} &= V_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$Q^{s^2} \cdot D^{-c^2} = Q^{r^2} \cdot Q^{c^2 \cdot lJ \cdot y} \cdot D^{-c^2} = V_2 \cdot D^{c^2} \cdot D^{-c^2} = V_2$$

14. The authenticator checks  $e(A,Y)\stackrel{?}{=}e(B,P^{2})$ 

NOTE
$$e(A,Y) = e(P_1^{l^J},P_2^y); e(B,P_2) = e(A^y,P_2) = e(P_1^{yl^J},P_2)$$

15. and the authenticator checks  $e(C,P^2)\stackrel{?}{=} e(A\cdot D,X)$ 

NOTE
$$e(C,P^2)=e(A^x\cdot Q^{xyl^J},P^2); e(A\cdot D,X)=e(A\cdot Q^{yl^J},P_2^x)$$

- 16. The authenticator stores credential A,B,C,D
- 3.4.2 ECDAA-Join Split between Authenticator and ASM

This section is non-normative.

#### **NOTE**

If this join is not in-factory, the value Q must be authenticated by theauthenticator. Upon receiving this value, the issuer must verify that this authenticator did not join before.

- 1. The ASM asks the issuer for a nonce.
- 2. The issuer chooses a nonce BigInteger n = RAND(p) and sends n to the ASM.
- 3. The ASM forwards n to the authenticator
- 4. The authenticator chooses and stores the private key BigInteger sk = RAND(p)
- 5. The authenticator computes its ECDAA public key ECPoint  $Q=P_{
  m l}^{sk}$

- 6. The authenticator proves knowledge of sk as follows
  - 1. BigInteger  $r^1 = RAND(p)$
  - 2. ECPoint  $U^1 = P_1^{r_1}$
  - 3. BigInteger  $c^1=H(U^1|P^1|Q|n)$
  - 4. BigInteger  $s^1 = r^1 + c^1 \cdot sk$
- 7. The authenticator sends  $Q, c^1, s^1$  to the ASM, who forwards it to the issuer.
- 8. The issuer verifies that the <u>authenticator</u> is "authentic" and that Q was indeed generated by the <u>authenticator</u>. In the case of an in-factory Join, this might be trivial; in the case of a remote Join this <u>typically requires</u> the use of other cryptographic methods. Since ECDAA-Join is a one-time operation, unlinkability is not a concern for that.
- 9. The issuer verifies that  $Q\in G^1$  and verifies  $H(P_1^{s^1}\cdot Q^{-c^1}|P^1|Q|n)\stackrel{?}{=}c^1.$
- 10. The issuer creates credential (A,B,C,D) as follows
  - 1. BigInteger  $l^J = RAND(p)$
  - 2. ECPoint  $A = P_1^{l_J}$
  - 3. ECPoint  $B = A^y$
  - 4. ECPoint  $C = \boldsymbol{A}^{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{Q}^{xyl^{J}}$
  - 5. ECPoint  $D=Q^{l^{J}y}$
- 11. The issuer proves that it computed this credential correctly:
  - 1. BigInteger  $r^2 = RAND(p)$
  - 2. ECPoint  $U^2=P_1^{r^2}$
  - 3. ECPoint  $V^2={\overline{Q}}^{r^2}$
  - 4. BigInteger  $c^2=H(U^2|V^2|P^1|B|Q|D)$
  - 5. BigInteger  $s^2 = r^2 + c^2 \cdot l^J \cdot y$
- 12. The issuer sends  $A, B, C, D, c^2, s^2$  to the ASM. The issuer authenticates  $B, D, c^2, s^2$  such that the authenticator can verify they were created by the issuer.
- 13. The  $\overline{ ext{ASM}}$  checks that  $A,B,C,D\in G^1$  and  $A
  eq 1^{G^1}$
- 14. The ASM checks  $H(P_1^{s^2} \cdot \overline{B}^{-c^2}|Q^{s^2} \cdot \overline{D}^{-c^2}|P^1|B|Q|D) \stackrel{?}{=} c^2$
- 15. The  $\underline{\sf ASM}$  checks  $e(A,Y) \stackrel{?}{=} e(B,P^{\!\scriptscriptstyle 2})$
- 16. and the  $\overline{\text{ASM}}$  checks that  $e(C, P^2) \stackrel{?}{=} e(A \cdot D, X)$
- 17. The ASM stores A,B,C,D and sends  $B,D,c^2,s^2$  to the authenticator
- 18. The <u>authenticator</u> checks  $B,D\in G^1$  and  $B\neq 1^{G^1}$ , and verifies that  $B,D,c^2,s^2$  were sent by the issuer.
- 19. The authenticator checks  $H(P_1^{s^2} \cdot B^{-c^2}|Q^{s^2} \cdot D^{-c^2}|P^1|B|Q|D) \stackrel{?}{=} c^2$
- 20. The <u>authenticator</u> stores B,D and ignores further join requests.

#### NOTE

These values belong to the ECDAA secret keysk. They should persist even in the case of a factory reset.

# 3.4.3 ECDAA-Join Split between TPM and ASM

This section is non-normative.

### NOTE

The Endorsement key credential (EK-C) and TPM2\_ActivateCredentials are used for supporting the remote Join.

This description is based on the principles described in [FPMv2-Part1] section 24 and [Arthur-Challener-2015], page 109 ("Activating a Credential").

- 1. The ASM asks the ECDAA Issuer for a nonce.
- 2. The ECDAA Issue chooses a nonce BigInteger n = RAND(p) and sends n to the ASM.
- 3. The ASM
  - 1. instructs the TPM to create a restricted key by calling TPM2\_Create, giving the public key template TPMT PUBLIC [TPMv2-Part2] (including the public key Q in field unique) to the ASM.
  - 2. retrieves TPM Endorsement Key Certificate (EK-C) from the TPM
  - 3. calls TPM2\_Commit(keyhandle, P1, s2, y2) where keyhandle is the handle of the restricted key generated before (see above), P1 is set to  $P^1$ , and s2 and y2 are left empty. This call returns K, L, E, and ctr; where K and L will be empty.
  - 4. computes BigInteger  $c^1 = H(E|P^1|Q|n)$
  - 5. call TPM2\_Sign( $c^1$ , ctr), returning  $s^1$ .
  - 6. sends EK-C, TPMT PUBLIC (including Q in field unique),  $c^1, s^1$  to the ECDAA Issuer.
- 4. The ECDAA Issuer
  - verifies EK-C and its certificate chain. As a result the ECDAA Issuer knows the TPM model related to EK-C.
  - 2. verifies that this EK-C was not used in a (successful) Join before
  - 3. Verifies that the objectAttributes in TPMT\_PUBLIC [TPMv2-Part2] matches the following flags: fixedTPM = 1; fixedParent = 1; sensitiveDataOrigin = 1; encryptedDuplication = 0; restricted = 1; decrypt = 0; sign = 1.
  - 4. examines the public key Q, i.e. it verifies that  $Q \in G^1$
  - 5. checks  $H(P_1^{s^1} \cdot Q^{-c^1}|P^1|Q|n) \stackrel{?}{=} c^1$
  - 6. generates the ECDAA credential (A,B,C,D) as follows
    - 1. BigInteger  $l^J = RAND(p)$
    - 2. ECPoint  $A = P_1^{l_J}$
    - 3. ECPoint  $B = A^y$
    - 4. ECPoint  $C = \boldsymbol{A}^{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{Q}^{xyl^{J}}$
    - 5. ECPoint  $D=Q^{l^{J}y}$
  - 7. proves that it computed this credential correctly:
    - 1. BigInteger  $r^2 = RAND(p)$
    - 2. ECPoint  $U^2=P_1^{r^2}$
    - 3. ECPoint  $V^2=\overline{Q}^{r^2}$
    - 4. BigInteger  $c^2=H(U^2|V^2|P^1|B|Q|D)$

- 5. BigInteger  $s^2 = r^2 + c^2 \cdot l^J \cdot u$
- 8. generates a secret (derived from a seed) and wraps the credential A,B,C,D using that secret.
- 9. encrypts the seed using the public key included in EK-C.
- 10. uses *seed* and *name* in KDFa (see [TPMv2-Part2] section 24.4) to derive HMAC and *symmetric encryption key*. Wrap the *secret* in *symmetric encryption key* and protect it with the *HMAC key*.

#### **NOTE**

The parameter *name* in KDFa is derived from **TPMT\_PUBLIC**, see [TPMv2-Part1], section 16.

- 11. sends the credential proof  $c^2$ ,  $s^2$  and the wrapped object including the credential from previous step to the ASM.
- 5. The ASM instructs the TPM (by calling TPM2\_ActivateCredential) to
  - 1. decrypt the seed using the TPM Endorsement key
  - 2. compute the *name* (for the ECDAA attestation key)
  - 3. use the seed in KDFa (with name) to derive the HMAC key and the symmetric encryption key.
  - 4. use the symmetric encryption key to unwrap the secret.
- 6. The ASM
  - 1. unwraps the credential A, B, C, D using the secret received from the TPM.
  - 2. checks that  $A,B,C,D\in G^1$  and  $A
    eq 1^{G^1}$
  - 3. checks  $H(P_{\!^{1}}^{s^2} \cdot B^{-c^2}|Q^{s^2} \cdot D^{-c^2}|P_{\!^{1}}|B|Q|D) \stackrel{?}{=} c^2$
  - 4. checks  $e(A,Y)\stackrel{?}{=}e(B,P^2)$  and  $e(C,P^2)\stackrel{?}{=}e(A\cdot D,X)$
  - 5. stores A, B, C, D

# 3.5 ECDAA-Sign

#### NOTE

One ECDAA-Sign operation is required for the client-side environment whenever a new credential is being registered at a relying party.

### 3.5.1 ECDAA-Sign Algorithm

This section is normative.

# (signature, KRD) = EcdaaSign(String AppID)

#### **Parameters**

- p: System parameter prime order of group G1 (global constant)
- AppID: FIDO AppID (i.e. https-URL of TrustedFacets object)

#### Algorithm outline

- 1. KRD = BuildAndEncodeKRD(); // all traditional Registration tasks are here
- 2. BigNumber l = RAND(p)
- 3. ECPoint  $R = A^l$ ;
- 4. ECPoint  $S = B^l$ ;

- 5. ECPoint  $T = C^l$ ;
- 6. ECPoint  $W = D^l$ ;
- 7. BigInteger r = RAND(p)
- 8. ECPoint  $U=S^r$
- 9. BigInteger c = H(U|S|W|AppID|H(KRD))
- 10. BigInteger  $s = r + c \cdot sk \pmod{p}$
- 11. signature = (c, s, R, S, T, W)
- 12. return (signature, KRD)

# 3.5.2 ECDAA-Sign Split between Authenticator and ASM

This section is non-normative.

#### **NOTE**

This split requires both the authenticator and ASM to be honest to achieve anonymity. Only the authenticator must be trusted for unforgeability. The communication between <u>ASM</u> and authenticator must be secure.

# Algorithm outline

- 1. The ASM randomizes the credential
  - 1. BigNumber l = RAND(p)
  - 2. ECPoint  $R = A^l$ ;
  - 3. ECPoint  $S = B^l$ ;
  - 4. ECPoint  $T = C^l$ :
  - 5. ECPoint  $W = D^l$ ;
- 2. The ASM sends l, AppID to the authenticator
- 3. The authenticator performs the following tasks
  - 1. KRD = BuildAndEncodeKRD(); // all traditional Registration tasks are here
    - 2. ECPoint  $S' = B^l$
    - 3. ECPoint  $W' = D^l$
    - 4. BigInteger r = RAND(p)
    - 5. ECPoint  $U=S^r$
    - 6. BigInteger  $c = H(U|S^{'}|W^{'}|AppID|H(KRD))$
    - 7. BigInteger  $s = r + c \cdot sk \pmod{p}$
    - 8. Send c, s, KRD to the ASM
- 4. The ASM sets signature = (c, s, R, S, T, W) and outputs (signature,KRD)

# 3.5.3 ECDAA-Sign Split between TPM and ASM

This section is non-normative.

#### **NOTE**

This algorithm is for the special case of a TPMv2 as authenticator. This case requires both the TPM

# Algorithm outline

- 1. The ASM randomizes the credential
  - 1. BigNumber l = RAND(p)
  - 2. ECPoint  $R = A^l$ ;
  - 3. ECPoint  $S = B^l$ :
  - 4. ECPoint  $T = C^l$ :
  - 5. ECPoint  $W = D^l$ :
- 2. The ASM calls TPM2\_Commit() with P1 set to S and s2,y2 empty buffers. The ASM receives the result values  $K, L, E = S^r$  and ctr. K and L are empty since s2, y2 are empty buffers.
- 3. The ASM calls TPM2 Create to generate the new authentication key pair.
- 4. The ASM calls TPM2\_Certify() on the newly created key with ctr from the TPM2\_Commit and E, S, W, AppID as qualifying data ( $E = S^r$  is returned by step 2). The ASM receives signature c,s and attestation block KRD (i.e. TPMS\_ATTEST structure in this case).
- 5. The ASM sets signature = (c, s, R, S, T, W) and outputs (signature,KRD)

# 3.6 ECDAA-Verify Operation

This section is normative.

#### **NOTE**

One ECDAA-Verify operation is required for the FIDO Server as part of each FIDO Registration.

# boolean EcdaaVerify(signature, AppID, KRD, ModelName)

#### **Parameters**

- p: System parameter prime order of group  $G^1$  (global constant)
- $P^2$ : System parameter generator of group  $G^2$  (global constant)
- signature: (c, s, R, S, T, W)
- AppID: FIDO AppID
- KRD: Attestation Data object as defined in other specifications.
- ModelName: the claimed FIDO authenticator model (i.e. either AAID or AAGUID)

# Algorithm outline

- 1. Based on the claimed ModelName, look up X,Y from trusted source
- 2. Check that  $R, S, T, W \in G^1$ ,  $R \neq 1$  $G^1$ , and  $S \neq 1$  $G^1$ .
- 3.  $H(S^s \cdot W^{-c}|S|W|AppID|H(KRD)) \stackrel{?}{=} c$ ; fail if not equal

$$B = A^y = P_1^{ly}$$

NOTE
$$B=A^y=P_1^{ly} \ D=Q^{lJy}=P_1^{sklJy}=B^{sk}$$

$$S = B^l$$
 and  $W = D^l$  
$$U = S^r$$
 
$$S^s \cdot W^{-c} = S^{r+csk} \cdot W^{-c} = U \cdot S^{csk} \cdot W^{-c}$$
 
$$= U \cdot B^{lcsk} \cdot D^{-lc} = U \cdot B^{lcsk} \cdot B^{-lcsk} = U$$

4.  $e(R,Y) \stackrel{?}{=} e(S,P^2)$ ; fail if not equal

NOTE
$$e(R,Y)=e(A^l,P_2^y); e(S,P_2)=e(B^l,P_2)=e(A^{ly},P_2)$$

5.  $e(T, P^2) \stackrel{?}{=} e(R \cdot W, X)$ ; fail if not equal

NOTE
$$e(T,P^2)=e(C^l,P^2)=e(A^{xl}\cdot Q^{xlyl^J},P^2); e(A^l\cdot D^l,X)=e(A^l\cdot Q^{lyl^J},P^2)$$

- 6. for (all sk' on RogueList) do if  $W \stackrel{?}{=} S^{sk'}$  fail:
- 7. // perform all other processing steps for new credential registration

In the case of a TPMv2, i.e. KRD is a TPMS\_ATTEST object. In this case the verifier must check whether the TPMS\_ATTEST object starts with TPM\_GENERATED magic number and whether its field objectAttributes contains the flag fixedTPM=1 (indicating that the key was generated by the

8. return true;

# 4. FIDO ECDAA Object Formats and Algorithm Details

This section is normative.

4.1 Supported Curves for ECDAA

# **Definition of G1**

G1 is an elliptic curve group E :  $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  over F(q) with a = 0.

#### **Definition of G2**

G2 is the p-torsion subgroup of  $E^{'}(Fq^2)$  where E' is a sextic twist of E. With E' :  $y^{'2}={x^{'}}^3+b^{'}$  .

An element of  $F(q^2)$  is represented by a pair (a,b) where a + bX is an element of  $F(q)[X]/< X^2+1>$  . We use angle brackets < Y> to signify the ideal generated by the enclosed value.

In the literature the pair (a,b) is sometimes also written as a complex number a + b \* i.

#### **Definition of GT**

GT is an order-p subgroup of  $Fq^{12}$ .

### **Pairings**

We propose the use of Ate pairings as they are efficient (more efficient than Tate pairings) on Barreto-Naehrig curves [DevScoDah2007].

# **Supported BN curves**

We use pairing-friendly Barreto-Naehrig [BarNae-2006] [ISO15946-5] elliptic curves. The curves TPM ECC BN P256 and TPM ECC BN P638 curves are defined in [TPMv2-Part4].

BN curves have a Modulus  $q=36\cdot u^4+36\cdot u^3+24\cdot u^2+6\cdot u+1$  [ISO15946-5] and a related order of the group  $p=36\cdot u^4+36\cdot u^3+18\cdot u^2+6\cdot u+1$  [ISO15946-5].

- TPM\_ECC\_BN\_P256 is a curve of form E(F(q)), where q is the field modulus [TPMv2-Part4] [BarNae-2006]. This curve is identical to the P256 curve defined in [ISO15946-5] section C.3.5.
  - The values have been generated using u=-7 530 851 732 716 300 289.
  - Modulus q = 115 792 089 237 314 936 872 688 561 244 471 742 058 375 878 355 761 205 198 700 409 522 629 664 518 163
  - Group order p = 115 792 089 237 314 936 872 688 561 244 471 742 058 035 595 988 840 268 584 488 757 999 429 535 617 037
  - p and q have length of 256 bit each.
  - b = 3
  - $P_1_256 = (x=1, y=2)$
  - b' = (a=3, b=3)
  - $P^2$ \_256 = (x,y), with
    - $P^2$ \_256.x = (a=114 909 019 869 825 495 805 094 438 766 505 779 201 460 871 441 403 689 227 802 685 522 624 680 861 435, b=35 574 363 727 580 634 541 930 638 464 681 913 209 705 880 605 623 913 174 726 536 241 706 071 648 811)
    - $P^2$ \_256.y = (a=65 076 021 719 150 302 283 757 931 701 622 350 436 355 986 716 727 896 397 520 706 509 932 529 649 684, b=113 380 538 053 789 372 416 298 017 450 764 517 685 681 349 483 061 506 360 354 665 554 452 649 749 368)
- TPM ECC BN P638 TPMv2-Part4] uses
  - The values have been generated using u=365 375 408 992 443 362 629 982 744 420 548 242 302 862 098 433
  - Modulus q = 641 593 209 463 000 238 284 923 228 689 168 801 117 629 789 043 238 356 871 360 716 989 515 584 497 239 494 051 781 991 794 253 619 096 481 315 470 262 367 432 019 698 642 631 650 152 075 067 922 231 951 354 925 301 839 708 740 457 083 469 793 717 125 223
  - $\circ$  The related order of the group is p = 641 593 209 463 000 238 284 923 228 689 168 801 117 629 789 043 238 356 871 360 716 989 515 584 497 239 494 051 781 991 794 252 818 101 344 337 098 690 003 906 272 221 387 599 391 201 666 378 807 960 583 525 233 832 645 565 592 955 122 034 352 630 792 289
  - p and q have length of 638 bit each.
  - *b* = 257
  - $\circ$   $P^1$ \_638 = (x=641 593 209 463 000 238 284 923 228 689 168 801 117 629 789 043 238 356 871 360 716 989 515 584 497 239 494 051 781 991 794 253 619 096 481 315 470 262 367 432 019 698 642 631 650 152 075 067 922 231 951 354 925 301 839 708 740 457 083 469 793 717 125 222, y=16)
  - b' = (a=771, b=1542)

- $P^2_{638} = (x, y), \text{ with}$ 
  - $P^2$ \_638.x = (a=192 492 098 325 059 629 927 844 609 092 536 807 849 769 208 589 403 233 289 748 474 758 010 838 876 457 636 072 173 883 771 602 089 605 233 264 992 910 618 494 201 909 695 576 234 119 413 319 303 931 909 848 663 554 062 144 113 485 982 076 866 968 711 247, b=166 614 418 891 499 184 781 285 132 766 747 495 170 152 701 259 472 324 679 873 541 478 330 301 406 623 174 002 502 345 930 325 474 988 134 317 071 869 554 535 111 092 924 719 466 650 228 182 095 841 246 668 361 451 788 368 418 036 777 197 454 618 413 255)
  - $P^2$ \_638.y = (a=622 964 952 935 200 827 531 506 751 874 167 806 262 407 152 244 280 323 674 626 687 789 202 660 794 092 633 841 098 984 322 671 973 226 667 873 503 889 270 602 870 064 426 165 592 237 410 681 318 519 893 784 898 821 343 051 339 820 566 224 981 344 169 470, b=514 285 963 827 225 043 076 463 721 426 569 583 576 029 220 880 138 564 906 219 230 942 887 639 456 599 654 554 743 732 087 558 187 149 207 036 952 474 092 411 405 629 612 957 921 369 286 372 038 525 830 610 755 207 588 843 864 366 759 521 090 861 911 494)
- ECC BN DSD P256 [DevScoDah2007] section 3 uses
  - The values have been generated using u=6 917 529 027 641 089 837
  - Modulus q =
     82434016654300679721217353503190038836571781811386228921167322412819029493183
  - The related order of the group is p =
     82434016654300679721217353503190038836284668564296686430114510052556401373769
  - p and q have length of 256 bit each.
  - $\circ b = 3$
  - $P^1$ \_DSD\_P256 = (1, 2)
  - b' = (a=3, b=6)
  - $P^2$ \_DSD\_P256 = (x, y), with
    - $P^2$ \_DSD\_P256.x = (a=73 481 346 555 305 118 071 940 904 527 347 990 526 214 212 698 180 576 973 201 374 397 013 567 073 039, b=28 955 468 426 222 256 383 171 634 927 293 329 392 145 263 879 318 611 908 127 165 887 947 997 417 463)
    - $P^2$ \_DSD\_P256.y = (a=3 632 491 054 685 712 358 616 318 558 909 408 435 559 591 759 282 597 787 781 393 534 962 445 630 353, b=60 960 585 579 560 783 681 258 978 162 498 088 639 544 584 959 644 221 094 447 372 720 880 177 666 763)
- ECC BN ISOP512 [ISO15946-5] section C.3.7 uses
  - The values have been generated using u=138 919 694 570 470 098 040 331 481 282 401 523 727
  - Modulus q = 13 407 807 929 942 597 099 574 024 998 205 830 437 246 153 344 875 111 580 494 527 427 714 590 099 881 795 845 981 157 516 604 994 291 639 750 834 285 779 043 186 149 750 164 319 950 153 126 044 364 566 323
  - $\circ$  The related order of the group is p = 13 407 807 929 942 597 099 574 024 998 205 830 437 246 153 344 875 111 580 494 527 427 714 590 099 881 680 053 891 920 200 409 570 720 654 742 146 445 677 939 306 408 461 754 626 647 833 262 056 300 743 149
  - p and q have length of 512 bit each.
  - b = 3
  - $P^1$ \_ISO\_P512 = (x=1,y=2)
  - b' = (a=3, b=3)
  - $P^2$ \_ISO\_P512 = (x, y), with
    - $P^2$ \_ISO\_P512.x = (a=3 094 648 157 539 090 131 026 477 120 117 259 896 222 920 557 994 037 039 545 437 079 729 804 516 315 481 514 566 156 984 245 473 190 248 967 907 724 153 072 490 467 902 779 495 072 074 156 718 085 785 269, b=3 776 690 234 788 102 103 015 760 376 468 067 863 580 475 949 014 286 077 855 600 384 033 870 546 339 773 119 295 555 161 718 985 244 561 452 474 412 673 836 012 873 126 926 524 076 966 265 127 900 471 529)
    - $P^2$ \_ISO\_P512.y = (a=7 593 872 605 334 070 150 001 723 245 210 278 735 800 573

263 881 411 015 285 406 372 548 542 328 752 430 917 597 485 450 360 707 892 769 159 214 115 916 255 816 324 924 295 339 525 686 777 569 132 644 242, b=9 131 995 053 349 122 285 871 305 684 665 648 028 094 505 015 281 268 488 257 987 110 193 875 868 585 868 792 041 571 666 587 093 146 239 570 057 934 816 183 220 992 460 187 617 700 670 514 736 173 834 408)

#### **NOTE**

Spaces are used inside numbers to improve readability.

## **Hash Algorithms**

Depending on the curve, we use  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathrm{SHA256}(\mathbf{x}) \mod \mathbf{p}$  or  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathrm{SHA512}(\mathbf{x}) \mod \mathbf{p}$  as hash algorithm  $\mathrm{H}: \{0,1\}^* \to \mathbb{Z}^p$ .

The argument of the hash function must always be converted to a byte string using the appropriate encoding function specific in section 3.1 Object Encodings, e.g. according to section 3.1.3 Encoding ECPoint2 values as byte strings (ECPoint2ToB) in the case of ECPoint2 points.

#### **NOTE**

We don't use <u>IEEE P1363.3</u> section 6.1.1 IHF1-SHA with security parameter t (e.g. t=128 or 256) as it is more complex and not supported by TPMv2.

# 4.2 ECDAA Algorithm Names

We define the following JWS-style algorithm names (see [RFC7515]):

#### **ED256**

TPM\_ECC\_BN\_P256 curve, using SHA256 as hash algorithm H.

ED256-2

ECC\_BN\_DSD\_P256 curve, using SHA256 as hash algorithm H.

ED512

ECC\_BN\_ISOP512 curve, using SHA512 as hash algorithm H.

**ED638** 

TPM\_ECC\_BN\_P638 curve, using SHA512 as hash algorithm H.

#### 4.3 ecdaaSignature object

The fields c and s both have length N. The fields R, S, T, W have equal length (2\*N+1 each).

In the case of BN\_P256 curve (with key length N=32 bytes), the fields R, S, T, W have length 2\*32+1=65 bytes. The fields c and s have length N=32 each.

The ecdaaSignature object is a binary object generated as the concatenation of the binary fields in the order described below (total length of 324 bytes for 256bit curves):

Value	Length (in Bytes)	Description
		The c value, c=H(U I S I W IKRD I AppID) as returned by AuthnrEcdaaSign encoded as byte string according to BigNumberToB.
		Where
UINT8[] ECDAA_Signature_c	N	• $U=S^r$ , with $r=RAND(p)$ computed by the signer.  • KRD is the the entire to-be-signed object (e.g. TAG_UAFV1_KRD in the case of FIDO UAF).  • $S=B^l$ , with $l=RAND(p)$ computed by the signer and $B=A^y$ computed in the ECDAA-Join

Value	Length (in Bytes)	The s value, s=r + c * sk (mcDescription rned by AuthnrEcdaaSign encoded as byte string according to BigNumberToB.
UINT8[] ECDAA_Signature_s	N	<ul> <li>r = RAND(p), computed by the signer at FIDO registration (see 3.5.2 ECDAA-Sign Split between Authenticator and ASM)</li> <li>p is the group order of G1</li> <li>sk: is the authenticator's attestation secret key, see above</li> </ul>
UINT8[] ECDAA_Signature_R	2*N+1	$R=A^l$ ; computed by the <u>ASM</u> or the <u>authenticator</u> at FIDO registration; encoded as byte string according to ECPointToB. Where  • I = RAND(p), i.e. random number $0 \le I \le p$ . Computed by the <u>ASM</u> or the <u>authenticator</u> at FIDO registration.  • And where $R=A^l$ denotes the scalar multiplication (of scalar I) of a curve point A.  • Where A has been provided by the ECDAA-Issuer as part of ECDAA-Join: $A=P^l$ , see <u>3.4.1 ECDAA-Join Algorithm</u> .  • Where $P^l$ and p are system values, injected into the <u>authenticator</u> and $I^J$ is a random number computed by the <u>ECDAA-Issuer</u> on Join.
UINT8[] ECDAA_Signature_S	2*N+1	$S=B^l$ ; computed by the <u>ASM</u> or the <u>authenticator</u> at FIDO registration encoded as byte string according to ECPointToB. Where B has been provided by the ECDAA-Issuer on Join: $B=A^y$ , see <u>3.4.1 ECDAA-Join Algorithm</u> .
UINT8[] ECDAA_Signature_T	2*N+1	$T=C^l$ ; computed by the ASM or the authenticator at FIDO registration encoded as byte string according to ECPointToB. Where • $C=A^x\cdot Q^{xyl^J}$ , provided by the ECDAA-Issuer on Join • $l^J=RAND(p)$ computed by the ECDAA-Issuer at Join (see 3.4.1 ECDAA-Join Algorithm) • x and y are components of the ECDAA-Issuer private key, iskk=(x,y). • Q is the authenticator public key
UINT8[] ECDAA_Signature_W	2*N+1	$W=D^l$ ; computed by the ASM or the authenticator at FIDO registration encoded as byte string according to ECPointToB. Where $D=Q^{lJy}$ is computed by the ECDAA-Issuer at Join (see 3.4.1 ECDAA-Join Algorithm).

# 5. Considerations

This section is non-normative.

A detailed security analysis of this algorithm can be found in [FIDO-DAA-Security-Proof].

# 5.1 Algorithms and Key Sizes

The proposed algorithms and key sizes are chosen such that compatibility to TPMv2 is possible.

# 5.2 Indicating the Authenticator Model

Some authenticators (e.g. TPMv2) do not have the ability to include their model (i.e. vendor ID and model name) in attested messages (i.e. the to-be-signed part of the registration assertion). The TPM's endorsement key certificate typically contains that information directly or at least it allows the model to be derived from the endorsement key certificate.

In FIDO, the relying party expects the ability to cryptographically verify the authenticator model.

We require the ECDAA-Issuers public key (ipk=(X,Y,c,sx,sy)) to be dedicated to one single <u>authenticator</u> model (e.g. as identified by AAID or AAGUID).

# 5.3 Revocation

If the private ECDAA attestation key sk of an <u>authenticator</u> has been leaked, it can be revoked by adding its value to a RogueList.

The ECDAA-Verifier (i.e. FIDO Server) check for such revocations. See section <u>3.6 ECDAA-Verify</u> Operation.

The ECDAA-Issuer is expected to check revocation by other means:

- 1. if ECDAA-Join is done in-factory, it is assumed that produced devices are known to be uncompomised (at time of production).
- 2. if a remote ECDAA-Join is performed, the (remote) ECDAA-Issuer already must use a different method to remotely authenticate the authenticator (e.g. using some endorsement key). We expect the ECDAA-Issuer to perform a revocation check based on that information. This is even more flexible as it does not require access to the authenticator ECDAA private key sk.

# 5.4 Pairing Algorithm

The pairing algorithm e needs to be used by the ASM as part of the Join process and by the verifier (i.e. FIDO relying party) as part of the verification (i.e. FIDO registration) process.

The result of such a pairing operation is only compared to the result of another pairing operation computed by the same entity. As a consequence, it doesn't matter whether the <u>ASM</u> and the verifier use the exact same pairings or not (as long as they both use valid pairings).

#### 5.5 Performance

For performance reasons the calculation of Sig2=(R, S, T, W) may be performed by the ASM running on the FIDO user device (as opposed to inside the <u>authenticator</u>). See section <u>3.5.2 ECDAA-Sign Split between Authenticator and ASM</u>.

The cryptographic computations to be performed inside the authenticator are limited to G1. The ECDAA-Issuer has to perform two G2 point multiplications for computing the public key. The Verifier (i.e. FIDO relying party) has to perform G1 operations and two pairing operations.

# 5.6 Binary Concatentation

We use a simple byte-wise concatenation function for the different parameters, i.e.  $H(a,b) = H(a \mid b)$ .

This approach is as secure as the underlying hash algorithm since the authenticator controls the length of the (fixed-length) values (e.g. U, S, W). The ApplD is provided externally and has unverified structure and length. However, it is only followed by a fixed length entry - the (system defined) hash of KRD. As a consequence, no parts of the ApplD would ever be confused with the fixed length value.

#### 5.7 IANA Considerations

This specification registers the algorithm names "ED256", "ED512", and "ED638" defined in section <u>4. FIDO ECDAA Object Formats and Algorithm Details</u> with the IANA JSON Web Algorithms registry as defined in section "Cryptographic Algorithms for Digital Signatures and MACs" in [RFC7518].

Algorithm Name	"ED256"
Algorithm Description	FIDO ECDAA algorithm based on TPM_ECC_BN_P256 [TPMv2-Part4] curve using SHA256 hash algorithm.
Algorithm Usage Location(s)	"alg", i.e. used with JWS.
JOSE Implementation Requirements	Optional
Change Controller	FIDO Alliance, Contact Us
Specification Documents	Sections 3. FIDO ECDAA Attestation and 4. FIDO ECDAA Object Formats and Algorithm Details of [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm].
Algorithm Analysis Document(s)	[FIDO-DAA-Security-Proof]

Algorithm Name	"ED512"
Algorithm Description	ECDAA algorithm based on ECC_BN_ISOP512 [ISO15946-5] curve using SHA512 algorithm.
Algorithm Usage Location(s)	"alg", i.e. used with JWS.
JOSE Implementation Requirements	Optional
Change Controller	FIDO Alliance, Contact Us
Specification Documents	Sections 3. FIDO ECDAA Attestation and 4. FIDO ECDAA Object Formats and Algorithm Details of [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm].
Algorithm Analysis Document(s)	[FIDO-DAA-Security-Proof]

Algorithm Name	"ED638"
Algorithm Description	ECDAA algorithm based on TPM_ECC_BN_P638 [TPMv2-Part4] curve using SHA512 algorithm.
Algorithm Usage Location(s)	"alg", i.e. used with JWS.
JOSE Implementation Requirements	Optional
Change Controller	FIDO Alliance, Contact Us
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#### **Abstract**

This document analyzes the security properties of the FIDO UAF and U2F families of protocols.

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### 1. Notation

Type names, attribute names and element names are written ascode.

String literals are enclosed in "", e.g. "UAF-TLV".

In formulas we use "I" to denote byte wise concatenation operations.

UAF specific terminology used in this document is defined in [FIDOGlossary].

#### 1.1 Key Words

The key words "must", "must not", "required", "shall not", "should", "should not", "recommended", "may", and "optional" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

#### 2. Introduction

This document analyzes the security properties of the FIDO UAF and U2F families of protocols. Although a brief architectural summary is provided below, readers should familiarize themselves with the the FIDO Glossary of Terms [FIDOGlossary] for definitions of terms used throughout. For technical details of various aspects of the architecture, readers should refer to the FIDO Alliance specifications in the Bibliography.

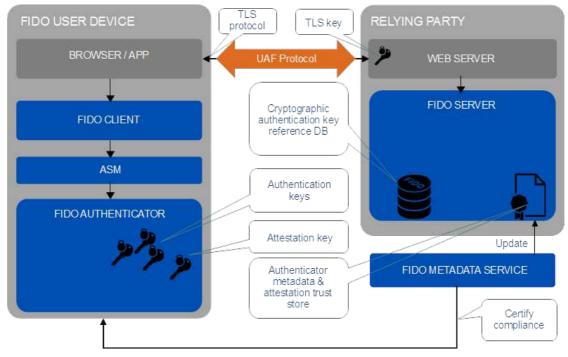


Fig. 1 FIDO Reference Architecture

Conceptually, FIDO involves a conversation between a computing environment controlled by a Relying Party and one controlled by the user to be authenticated. The Relying Party's environment consists conceptually of at least a web server and the server-side portions of a web application, plus a FIDO Server. The FIDO Server has a trust store, containing the (public) trust anchors for the attestation of FIDO Authenticators. The users' environment, referred to as the FIDO user device, consists of one or more FIDO Authenticators, a piece of software called the FIDO Client that is the endpoint for UAF and U2F conversations, and User Agent software. The User Agent software may be a browser hosting a web application delivered by the Relying Party, or it may be a standalone application delivered by the Relying Party. In either case, the FIDO Client, while a conceptually distinct entity, may actually be implemented in whole or part within the boundaries of the User Agent.

#### 2.1 Intended Audience

This document assumes a technical audience that is proficient with security analysis of computing systems and network protocols as well as the specifics of the FIDO architecture and protocol families. It discusses the security goals, security measures, security assumptions

and a series of threats to FIDO systems, including the users' computing environment, the Relying Party's computing environment, and the supply chain, including the vendors of FIDO components.

#### 3. Attack Classification

The following attacks all result in user impersonation if successful. However, they have distinguishing characteristics which we use as the basis for attack classification:

- 1. Automated attacks not focused on the users systems, which affect the user.
- 2. Automated attacks which are focused on the users' device and which are performed once and lead to the ability to impersonate the user on an on-going basis without involving him or his device directly.
- 3. Automated attacks which involve the user or his device for each successful impersonation.
- 4. Automated attacks to sessions authenticated by the user.
- 5. Not automatable attacks to the user or his device which are performed once and lead to the ability to impersonate the user on an on-going basis without involving him or his device directly.
- 6. Not automatable attacks to the user or his device which involve the user or his device for each successful impersonation.

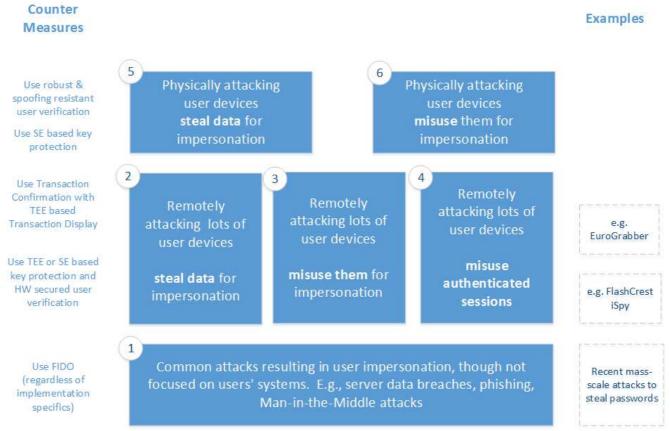


Fig. 2 Attack Classes

The first four attack classes are considered scalable as they are nominally automatable. The attack classes 5 and 6 are not automatable; they involve some kind of manual/physical interaction of the attacker with the user or his device. We will attribute the threats analyzed in this document with the related attack class (AC1 – AC6).

#### **NOTE**

- FIDO uses asymmetric cryptography to protect against AC1. This gives control back to the user, i.e. when using good random numbers, the user's authenticator can make breaking the key as hard as the underlying factoring (in the case of RSA) or discrete logarithm (in the case of DSA or ECDSA) problem.
- 2. Once counter-measures for this kind of attack are commonly in place, attackers will likely focus on another attack class.
- 3. The numbers at the attack classes do not imply a feasibility ranking of the related attacks, e.g. it is not necessarily more difficult to perform (AC4) than it is to perform (AC3).
- 4. The user has almost no influence on the feasibility of attack class (AC1). This makes this attack class really bad.
- 5. The concept of physical security (i.e. "protect your Authenticator from being stolen"), related to attack classes (AC5) and (AC6) is much better internalized by users than the concept of logical security, related to attack classes (AC2), (AC3) and (AC4).
- 6. In order to protect against misuse of authenticated sessions (e.g. MITB attacks), the FIDO Authenticator must support the concept of transaction confirmation and the relying party must use it.
- 7. For an attacker to succeed in impersonating the user, any attack class is sufficient.

### **Attack Classes**

We define the term scalable attack as any attack where the marginal cost of adding an additional target is near zero and which leads to violations of the FIDO security goals.

#### NOTE

The first four attack classes (AC1, AC2, AC3, and AC4) are considered scalable. The last two attack classes (AC5 and AC6) are not scalable and are performed as one-off user/Relying Party style compromises. We will attribute the threats analyzed in this document with the related attack class (AC1 - AC6)

AC<sub>1</sub>

Attacks not focused on the users' devices and which lead to violations of FIDO security goals. (e.g., compromise of a Relying Party FIDO database and successful decryption of wrapped keys within the database, phishing, MITM attacks, etc.).

Scalable attacks involving the Authenticator which, once performed, lead to the ability to violate FIDO security goals on an ongoing basis without later involving the users or their devices directly (e.g., a scalable attack on FIDO Authenticators that recovers the user private keys, allowing the attacker to impersonate the users on an ongoing basis).

Scalable attacks which involve the user or his device for each instance where the FIDO security goals are violated (e.g., a scalable attack that requires the Authenticator for each successful impersonation).

AC4

Scalable attacks on sessions authenticated by the user which violate FIDO security goals.

AC<sub>5</sub>

Non-scalable attacks involving the Authenticator which, once performed, lead to the ability to violate FIDO security goals on an ongoing basis without later involving the users or their devices directly (e.g., a non-scalable attack on FIDO Authenticators that recovers the user private keys, allowing the attacker to impersonate the users on an ongoing basis).

AC<sub>6</sub>

Non-scalable attacks which involve the user or his device for each instance where the FIDO security goals are violated (e.g., a nonscalable attack that requires the Authenticator for each successful impersonation).

#### NOTE

At this time we are not explicitly addressing classes of physical attacks on the authenticator that may lead to reduced security if the legitimate user uses the authenticator after the attacker having physical access to it.

# 4. FIDO Security Goals

In this section the specific security goals of FIDO are described. The FIDO UAF protocol [UAFProtocol] and U2F protocol [U2FOverview] support a variety of different FIDO Authenticators. Even though the security of those authenticators varies, the UAF protocol and the FIDO Server should provide a very high level of security - at least on a conceptual level. In reality it might require a FIDO Authenticator with a high security level in order to fully leverage the FIDO security strength.

#### **NOTE**

In certain environments the overall security of the explicit authentication (as provided by FIDO) is less important, as it might be supplemented with a high degree of implicit authentication or the application doesn't even require a high level of authentication strenath.

The FIDO U2F protocol [U2FOverview] supports a more constrained set of Authenticator capabilities. It shares the same security goals as UAF, with the exception of [SG-14] Transaction Non- Repudiation.

The FIDO protocols have the following security goals:

[SG-1]
Strong User Authentication: Authenticate (i.e. recognize) a user and/or a device to a relying party with high (cryptographic) strength.

Credential Guessing Resilience: Provide robust protection against eavesdroppers, e.g. be resilient to physical observation, resilient to targeted impersonation, resilient to throttled and unthrottled guessing.

[SG-3]

Credential Disclosure Resilience: Be resilient to phishing attacks and real-time phishing attack, including resilience to online attacks by adversaries able to actively manipulate network traffic.

**ISG-4** 

Unlinkablity: Protect the protocol conversation such that any two relying parties cannot link the conversation to one user (i.e. be unlinkable)

[SG-5]

Verifier Leak Resilience: Be resilient to leaks from other relying parties I.e., nothing that a verifier could possibly leak can help an attacker impersonate the user to another relying party.

[SG-6]

Authenticator Leak Resilience: Be resilient to leaks from other FIDO Authenticators. I.e., nothing that a particular FIDO Authenticator could possibly leak can help an attacker to impersonate any other user to any relying party.

[SG-7

User Consent: Notify the user before a relationship to a new relying party is being established (requiring explicit consent).

[SG-8]

Limited PII: Limit the amount of personal identifiable information (PII) exposed to the relying party to the absolute minimum.

[SG-9]

Attestable Properties: Relying Party must be able to verify FIDO Authenticator model/type (in order to calculate the associated risk). [SG-10]

DoS Resistance: Be resilient to Denial of Service Attacks I.e. prevent attackers from inserting invalid registration information for a legitimate user for the next login phase. Afterward, the legitimate user will not be able to login successfully anymore.

[SG-11]

Forgery Resistance: Be resilient to Forgery Attacks (Impersonation Attacks). I.e. prevent attackers from attempting to modify intercepted communications in order to masquerade as the legitimate user and login to the system.

[SG-12]

Parallel Session Resistance: Be resilient to Parallel Session Attacks. Without knowing a user's authentication credential, an attacker can masquerade as the legitimate user by creating a valid authentication message out of some eavesdropped communication between the user and the server.

[SG-13]

Forwarding Resistance: Be resilient to Forwarding and Replay Attacks. Having intercepted previous communications, an attacker can impersonate the legal user to authenticate to the system. The attacker can replay or forward the intercepted messages.

#### [SG-14] (not covered by U2F)

Transaction Non-Repudiation: Provide strong cryptographic non-repudiation for secure transactions.

#### **ISG-151**

Respect for Operating Environment Security Boundaries: Ensure that registrations and private key material as a shared system resource is appropriately protected according to the operating environment privilege boundaries in place on the FIDO user device.

Assessable Level of Security: Ensure that the design and implementation of the Authenticator allows for the testing laboratory / FIDO Alliance to assess the level of security provided by the Authenticator.

#### NOTE

For a definition of the phrases printed in italics, refer to [QuestToReplacePasswords] and to [PasswordAuthSchemesKeyIssues]

#### 4.1 Assets to be Protected

Independent of any particular implementation, the FIDO protocols assume some assets to be present and to be protected.

- 1. Cryptographic Authentication Private Key. Typically, private keys in FIDO are unique for each tuple of (relying party, user account, authenticator).
- 2. Cryptographic Authentication Key Reference. This is the cryptographic material stored at the relying party and used to uniquely verify the Cryptographic Authentication Key, typically the public key corresponding to the authentication private key.
- Authenticator Attestation Key (as stored in each authenticator). This should only be usable to attest a Cryptographic Authentication Key and the type/model and manufacturing batch of an Authenticator. Attestation keys are either ECDAA keys [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] or the attestation keys and certificates are shared by a large number of authenticators in a device class from a given vendor in order to prevent their becoming a linkable identifier across relying parties. Authenticator attestation certificates may be self-signed, or signed by an authority key controlled by the vendor.
- 4. Authenticator Attestation Authority Key. An authenticator vendor may elect to sign authenticator attestation certificates with a pervendor certificate authority key
- Authenticator Attestation Authority Certificate. Contained in the initial/default trust store as part of the FIDO Server and contained in the active trust store maintained by each relying party.
- 6. Active Trust Store. Contains all trusted attestation root certificates for a given FIDO server.
- All data items suitable for uniquely identifying the authenticator across relying parties. An attack on those would break the nonlinkability security goal.
- 8. Private key of Relying Party TLS server certificate.
- 9. TLS root certificate trust store for the users' browser/app.

### 5. FIDO Security Measures

#### **NOTE**

Particular implementations of FIDO Clients, Authenticators, Servers and participating applications may not implement all of these security measures (e.g. Secure Display, [SM-10] Transaction Confirmation) and they also might (and should) implement add itional security measures.

#### **NOTE**

The U2F protocol lacks support for [SM-5] Secure Display, [SM-10] Transaction Confirmation, has only server-supplied [SM-8] Protocol Nonces, and [SM-3] Authenticator Class Attestation is implicit as there is only a single class of device.

### [SM-1] (U2F + UAF)

Key Protection: Authentication key is protected against misuse. Misuse means any use violating the FIDO specification or the details given in the Metadata Statement. Before a key can be used, it requires the User to unlock it using the user verification method specified in the Authenticator Metadata Statement (Silent Authenticators do not require any user verification method).

[SM-2] (U2F + UAF)
Unique Authentication Keys: Cryptographic authentication key is specific and unique to the tuple of (FIDO Authenticator, User,

# Relying Party). [SM-3] (U2F + UAF)

Authenticator Class Attestation: Hardware-based FIDO Authenticators support authenticator attestation using an attestation key using one of the FIDO specified attestation types and algorithms. Each relying party receives regular updates of the trust store (through the FIDO Metadata service). [SM-4] (UAF)

Authenticator Status Checking: Relying Parties can download latest known status of authenticators included in the FIDO Metadata Service. The FIDO Server should take this information into account. Authenticator manufacturers should notify the FIDO Alliance about compromised authenticators. In the case of FIDO certified authenticators, such notification might even be mandatory.

# [SM-5] (UAF)

User Consent: FIDO Client implements a user interface for getting user's consent on any actions (except authentication with silent authenticator) and displaying RP name (derived from server URL).

# [SM-6](U2F + UAF)

Cryptographically Secure Verifier Database: The relying party stores only the public portion of an asymmetric key pair, or an encrypted key handle, as a cryptographic authentication key reference. [SM-7] (U2F + UAF)

Secure Channel with Server Authentication: The TLS protocol with server authentication or a transport with equivalent properties is used as transport protocol for UAF. The use of https is enforced by a browser or Relying Party application.

# [SM-8] (UAF)

Protocol Nonces: Both server and client supplied nonces are used for UAF registration and authentication. U2F requires server supplied nonces.
[SM-9] (U2F + UAF)

Authenticator Certification: The FIDO Metadata Service includes the Authenticator certification status.

# [SM-10] (UAF)

Transaction Confirmation (WYSIWYS): Secure Display (WYSIWYS) (optionally) implemented by the FIDO Authenticators is used by FIDO Client for displaying relying party name and transaction data to be confirmed by the user.

[SM-11] (U2F + UAF)

Round Trip Integrity: FIDO server verifies that the transaction data related to the server challenge received in the UAF message from the FIDO client is identical to the transaction data and server challenge delivered as part of the UAF request message.

[SM-12](U2F + UAF)

Channel Binding: Relying Party servers may verify the continuity of a secure channel with a client application.

[SM-13] (UAF)

Key Handle Access Token: Authenticators not intended to roam between untrusted systems are able to constrain the use of registration keys within the privilege boundaries defined by the operating environment of the user device (per-user, or per application, or per-user + per-application as appropriate).

[SM-14](U2F + UAF)

AppID Separation: A Relying Party can declare the application identities allowed to access its registered keys, for operating environments on user devices that support this concept.

[SM-15](U2F + UAF)

Signature Counter: Authenticators send a monotonically increasing signature counter that a Relying Party can check to possibly detect cloned authenticators.

[SM-16] (U2F + UAF)

Use of strong, modern Cryptographic Primitives: The FIDO specifications stipulate the use of strong, modern cryptographic primitives helping to ensure the overall security of conformant FIDO implementations. The FIDO Authenticator certification program defines the "Allowed Cryptography List" for allowed cryptographic primitives to be used in FIDO certified authenticators.

[SM-17] (U2F + UAF)
Resistance to Side Channel Attacks.

[SM-18] (U2F + UAF)

Resistance to Injected Faults in Cryptographic Functions. This security measure purely deals with the cryptographic functions, as compared to the much more general [SM-28].

[SM-19] (UAF)

Bounded Probability of a Birthday Collision. For randomly generated nonces, the total number of nonces that can be generated is limited to bound the probability of a birthday collision of generated values.

[SM-20](U2F + UAF)

Individual authenticators are indistinguishable provided authenticators sharing attestation keys are manufactured in sufficiently large (e.g. > 100000) per-model batches. [SM-21] (U2F + UAF)

Authentication and replay-resistance (freshness assurance) of externally-stored protected information.

[SM-22] (U2F + UAF)
Certified FIDO Authenticators fully described by the vendor, and tested to verify that it functions as specified.

[SM-23](U2F + UAF)

Key Handles containing a key are cryptographically linked with the Authenticator that produced the Key Handle and with the Relying Party associated with the Key Handle.

[SM-24](U2F + UAF)

Design, implementation and manufacture of certified FIDO Authenticators supports Authenticator security.

[SM-25] (UZF + UAF)

Depending on the certification level, certified authenticators are required to implement a Trusted Path for all user / Authenticator direct interactions.

[SM-26] (U2F + UAF)

Input Data Validation: Malformed or maliciously crafted input data does not result in unexpected Authenticator behavior.

[SM-27] (U2F + UAF)

Protection of user verification reference data and biometric data.

[SM-28] (U2F + UAF)

Resistance to Fault Injection Attacks.

[SM-29] (U2F + UAF)

Resistance to Remote Timing Attacks: No leakage of secret information to remote entities via variation of operation execution time.

#### 5.1 Relation between Measures and Goals

Security Goal	Supporting Security Measures
[SG-1] Strong User Authentication	[SM-12] Channel Binding [SM-14] AppID Separation [SM-15] Signature Counter [SM-16] Allowed Crypto Primitives [SM-17] Resistance to Side Channel Attacks [SM-21] Authentication and replay-resistance [SM-23] Key Handles cryptographically linked with the Authenticator [SM-25] Trusted path for all user interactions [SM-29] Resistance to Remote Timing Attacks
[SG-2] Credential Guessing Resilience	[SM-1] Key Protection [SM-6] Cryptographically Secure Verifier Database [SM-16] Allowed Crypto Primitives
[SG-3] Credential Disclosure Resilience	[SM-1] Key Protection [SM-9] Authenticator Certification [SM-15] Signature Counter

Security Goal	[SM-17] Resistan Sulposiden Gracce in the saures	
	[SM-29] Resistance to Remote Timing Attacks	
	[SM-2] Unique Authentication Keys	
[SG-4] Unlinkability	[SM-3] Authenticator Class Attestation	
	[SM-20] No Identifying Information	
	[SM-2] Unique Authentication Keys	
[SG-5] Verifier Leak Resilience	[SM-6] Cryptographically Secure Verifier Database	
	[SM-16] Allowed Crypto Primitives	
	[SM-9] Authenticator Certification	
[SG-6] Authenticator Leak Resilience	[SM-15] Signature Counter	
	[SM-16] Allowed Crypto Primitives	
	[SM-1] Key Protection	
	[SM-5] User Consent	
[SG-7] User Consent	[SM-7] Secure Channel with Server Authentication	
	[SM-10] Transaction Confirmation (WYSIWYS)	
	[SM-25] Trusted path for all user interactions	
	[SM-2] Unique Authentication Keys	
[SG-8] Limited PII	[SM-20] No Identifying Information	
	<u>[em 20]</u> To identifying intermation	
	[SM-3] Authenticator Class Attestation	
[SG-9] Attestable Properties	[SM-4] Authenticator Status Checking	
	[SM-9] Authenticator Certification	
[SG-10] DoS Resistance	[SM-8] Protocol Nonces	
	[SM-7] Secure Channel with Server Authentication	
	[SM-8] Protocol Nonces	
	[SM-11] Round Trip Integrity	
[SG-11] Forgery Resistance	[SM-12] Channel Binding	
	[SM-17] Resistance to Side Channel Attacks	
	[SM-23] Key Handles cryptographically linked with the Authenticator	
	[SM-29] Resistance to Remote Timing Attacks	
	[SM-7] Secure Channel with Server Authentication	
100 40 Davilla Casain D	[SM-8] Protocol Nonces	
[SG-12] Parallel Session Resistance	[SM-11] Round Trip Integrity	
	[SM-12] Channel Binding	
	[SM-7] Secure Channel with Server Authentication	
[SG-13] Forwarding Resistance	[SM-8] Protocol Nonces	
	[SM-11] Round Trip Integrity	
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Security Goal	[SM-12] Channel Simprorting Security Measures
[SG-14] Transaction Non-Repudiation	[SM-1] Key Protection [SM-2] Unique Authentication Keys [SM-8] Protocol Nonces [SM-9] Authenticator Certification [SM-10] Transaction Confirmation (WYSIWYS) [SM-11] Round Trip Integrity [SM-12] Channel Binding [SM-25] Trusted path for all user interactions
[SG-15] Respect for Operating Environment Security Boundaries	[SM-13] Key Handle Access Token [SM-14] AppID Separation

# 6. FIDO Security Assumptions

In this section, we enumerate the assumptions we are making regarding the security characteristics of the operating environment components on which a FIDO implementation depends.

[SA-1]

The Authenticator and its cryptographic algorithms and parameters (key size, mode, output length, etc.) in use are not subject to unknown weaknesses that make them unfit for their purpose in encrypting, digitally signing, and authenticating messages.

[SA-2]

Öperating system privilege separation mechanisms relied up on by the software modules involved in a FIDO operation on the user device perform as advertised. E.g. boundaries between user and kernel mode, between user accounts, and between applications (where applicable) are securely enforced and security principals can be mutually, securely identifiable.

[SA-3]

Applications on the user device are able to establish secure channels that provide trustworthy server authentication, and confidentiality and integrity for messages (e.g., through TLS).

[SA-4]

The computing environment on the FIDO user device and the and applications involved in a FIDO operation act as trustworthy agents of the user.

[SA-5]

The inherent value of a cryptographic key resides in the confidence it imparts, and this commodity decays with the passage of time, irrespective of any compromise event. As a result the effective assurance level of authenticators will be reduced over time.

[SA-6]

The computing resources at the Relying Party involved in processing a FIDO operation act as trustworthy agents of the Relying Party.

#### 6.1 Discussion

With regard to [SA-4] and malicious computation on the FIDO user device, only very limited guarantees can be made within the scope of these assumptions. Malicious code privileged at the level of the trusted computing base can always violate [SA-2] and [SA-3]. Malicious code privileged at the level of the users' account in traditional multi-user environments will also likely be able to violate [SA-3].

FIDO can also provide only limited protections when a user chooses to deliberately violate [SA-4], e.g. by roaming a USB authenticator to an untrusted system like a kiosk, or by granting permissions to access all authentication keys to a malicious app in a mobile environment. Transaction Confirmation can be used as a method to protect against compromised FIDO user devices.

In to components such as the FIDO Client, Server, Authenticators and the mix of software and hardware modules they are comprised of, the end-to-end security goals also depend on correct implementation and adherence to FIDO security guidance by other participating components, including web browsers and relying party applications. Some configurations and uses may not be able to meet all security goals. For example, authenticators may lack a secure display, they may be composed only of unattestable software components, they may be deliberately designed to roam between untrusted operating environments, and some operating environments may not provide all necessary security primitives (e.g., secure IPC, application isolation, modern TLS implementations, etc.)

# 7. Threat Analysis

In the following tables describing threats, we mention the relevant attack class(es) in the left column if the threat might lead to user impersonation.

#### 7.1 Threats to Client Side

#### 7.1.1 Exploiting User's pattern matching weaknesses

T- 1.1.1	Homograph Mis-Registration	Violates
	The user registers a FIDO authentication key with a fraudulent web site instead of the genuine Relying Party.	
AC3	<b>Consequences:</b> The fraudulent site may convince the user to disclose a set of non-FIDO credentials sufficient to allow the attacker to register a FIDO Authenticator under its own control, at the genuine Relying Party, on the users' behalf, violating [SG-1] Strong User Authentication.	SG-1
	<b>Mitigations:</b> Disclosure of non-FIDO credentials is outside of the scope of the FIDO security measures, but Relying Parties should be aware that the initial strength of an authentication key is no better than the identity-proofing applied as part of the registration process.	

T- 1.1.1	Homograph Mis-Registration	Violates
T- 1.1.2	Homograph Mis-Authentication	Violates
	The user accidentally browses to a fraudulent web site. The attacker tries to act as man-in-the-middle (MITM) and requests the user to authenticate. In the case of username/password based authentication this is a typical phishing attack.	
AC3	<b>Consequences:</b> The FIDO subsystem will determine that either (a) no FIDO authenticator has been registered with the fraudulent site or (b) it will use the FIDO Uauth key registered to the fraudulent site - which is different from the Uauth key for the relying party's site.	SG-1, SG-4
	<b>Mitigations:</b> FIDO inherently ties keys to the relying party (formally identified by the AppID, and authenticated by TLS and the CA infrastructure).	

# 7.1.2 Threats to the User Device, FIDO Client and Relying Party Client Applications

T- 1.2.1	FIDO Client Corrpution	Violates
	Attacker gains ability to execute code in the security context of the FIDO Client.	
AC3	Consequences: Violation of SA-4].  Mitigations: When the operating environment on the FIDO user device allows, the FIDO Client should operate in a privileged and isolated context under [SA-2] to protect itself from malicious modification by anything outside of the Trusted Computing Base.	<u>SA-4</u>

T- 1.2.2	Logical/Physical User Device Attack	Violates
	Attacker gains physical access to the FIDO user device but not the FIDO Authenticator.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> Possible violation of [SA-4] by installing malicious software or otherwise tampering with the FIDO user device.	
AC3 / AC5	<b>Mitigations:</b> [SM-1] Key Protection prevents the disclosure of authentication keys or other assets during a transient compromise of the FIDO user device.	<u>SA-4</u>
	A persistent compromise of the FIDO user device can lead to a violation of \$A-4] unless additional protection measures outside the scope of FIDO are applied to the FIDO user device. (e.g. whole disk encryption and boot-chain integrity).	

T- 1.2.3	User Device Account Access	Violates
	Attacker gains access to a user's login credentials on the FIDO user device.	
AC3	<b>Consequences:</b> Authenticators might be remotely abused, or weakly-verifying authenticators might be locally abused, violating [SG-1] Strong User Authentication and [SG-13] Transaction Non-Repudiation.	SG-1.
1	Possible violation of [SA-4] by the installation of malicious software.	SG-13;
AC4	<b>Mitigations:</b> Relying Parties can use [SM-9] Authenticator Certification and [SM-3] Authenticator Class Attestation to determine the nature of authenticators and not rely on weak, or weakly-verifying authenticators for high value operations.	SA-4

T- 1.2.4	App Server Verification Error	Violates
	A client application fails to properly validate the remote sever identity, accepts forged or stolen credentials for a remote server, or allows weak or missing cryptographic protections for the secure channel.	
	Consequences: An active network adversary can modify the Relying Party's authenticator policy and downgrade the client's choice of authenticator to make it easier to attack.	
AC3	An active network adversary can intercept or view FIDO messages intended for the Relying Party. It may be able to use this ability to violate [SG-12] Parallel Session Resistance, [SG-11] Forgery Resistance or SG-13] Forwarding Resistance.	SG-11, SG-12, SG-13
	Mitigations: The server can verify [SM-8] Protocol Nonces to detect replayed messages and protect from an adversary that can read but not modify traffic in a secure channel.	
	The server can mandate a channel with strong cryptographic protections to prevent message forgery and can verify a [SM-12] Channel Binding to detect forwarded messages.	

T- 1.2.5	RP App Corruption	Violates
	An attacker is able to obtain malicious execution in the security context of the Relying Party client application (e.g. via Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)) or abuse the secure channel or session identifier after the user has successfully authenticated. This is a client side attack.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> The attacker is able to control the users' session, violating [SG-14] Transaction Non-Repudiation.	<u>SG-14</u>

T- 1.2.5	Mitigations: The server can employ [SM-10] Transaction Confirmation to gain additional assurance for high value operations.	Violates
T- 1.2.6	Fingerprinting Authenticators	Violates
	A remote adversary is able to uniquely identify a FIDO user device using the fingerprint of discoverable configuration of its FIDO Authenticators.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> The exposed information violates [SG-8] Limited PII, allowing an adversary to violate [SG-7] User Consent by strongly identifying the user without their knowledge and [SG-4] Unlinkablity by sharing that fingerprint.	SG-4,
	Mitigations: [SM-3] Authenticator Class Attestation ensures that the fingerprint of an Authenticator will not be unique.	SG7, SG-8
	For web browsing situations where this threat is most prominent, user agents may provide additional user controls around the discoverability of FIDO Authenticators.	
T- 1.2.7	App to FIDO Client full MITM attack	Violates
	Malicious software on the FIDO user device is able to read, tamper with, or spoof the endpoint of inter-process communication channels between the FIDO Client and browser or Relying Party application.	
	Consequences: Adversary is able to subvert [SA-2].	
AC3	<b>Mitigations:</b> On platforms where [SA-2] is not strong the security of the system may depend on preventing malicious applications from being loaded onto the FIDO user device. Such protections, e.g. app store policing, are outside the scope of FIDO.	<u>SA-2</u>
	When using [SM-10] Transaction Confirmation, the user will be presented with the relevant AppID and transaction text and will be able to evaluate whether or not to consent to the transaction.	
T-	Authenticator to App Read-Only MITM attack	Violates
1.2.8		Violates
	An adversary is able to obtain an authenticator's signed protocol response message.	SG-1, SG-12,
AC3	<b>Consequences:</b> The attacker attempts to replay the message to authenticate as the user, violating [SG-1] Strong User Authentication, [SG-13] Forwarding Resistance and [SG-12] Parallel Session Resistance.	
	<b>Mitigations:</b> The server can use [SM-8] Protocol Nonces to detect replay of messages and verify [SM-11] Round Trip Integrity to detect modified messages.	SG-13
T-	Malicious App	Violates
1.2.9		Violates
	A user installs an application that represents itself as being associated with to one Relying Party application but actually initiates a protocol conversation with a different Relying Party and attempts to abuse previously registered authentication keys at that Relying Party.	
	Consequences: Adversary is able to violate <u>[SG-7]</u> User Consent by misrepresenting the target of authentication.	
	Other consequences equivalent to [T-1.2.5]	
AC3	<b>Mitigations:</b> If a [SM-5] Transaction Confirmation Display is present, the user may be able to verify the true target of an operation.	<u>SG-7</u>
	If the malicious application attempts to communicate directly with an Authenticator that uses [SM-13] KeyHandleAccessToken, it should not be able to access keys registered by other FIDO Clients.	
	If the operating environment on the FIDO user device supports it, the FIDO client may be able to determine the application's identity and verify if it is authorized to target that Relying Party using a [SM-14] AppID Separation.	
T- 1.2.10	Phishing Attack	Violates
1.2.13	A Phisher convinces the user to enter his PIN used for user verification into an application / web site disclosing the PIN to the Phisher. In the traditional username/password world this enables the attacker to successfully impersonate the user (to the relying party).	
AC2	Consequences: None as the phisher additionally would need access to the Authenticator in order to pass user verification [SM-1]. In FIDO, the user verification PIN (if user verification is done via PIN) is not known to the relying party and hence isn't sufficient for user impersonation. If user verification is done using an alternative user verification method, this applies accordingly.	<u>SG-1</u>

# 7.1.3 Creating a Fake Client

T- 1.3.1	Malicious FIDO Client	Violates

**Mitigations:** In FIDO, the Uauth.priv key is used to sign a relying party supplied challenge. without (use) access to that key, no impersonation is possible.

T- 1.3.1	Attacker convinces users to install and use a malicious FIDO Client  Malicious FIDO Client	Violates
	Consequences: Violation of [SA-4]	
400	Mitigations: Mitigating malicious software installation is outside the scope of FIDO.	CA 4
AC3	If an authenticator implements [SM-1] Key Protection, the user may be able to recover full control of their registered authentication keys by removing the malicious software from their user device.	<u>SA-4</u>
	When using [SM-10] Transaction Confirmation, the user sees the real AppIDs and transaction text and can decide to accept or reject the action.	

# 7.1.4 Threats to FIDO Authenticator

T- 1.4.1	Malicious Authenticator	Violates
	Attacker convinces users to use a maliciously implemented authenticator.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> The fake authenticator does not implement any appropriate security measures and is able to violate all security goals of FIDO.	
AC2, AC3	Mitigations: A user may be unable to distinguish a malicious authenticator, but a Relying Party can use [SM-3] Authenticator Class Attestation to identify and only allow registration of reliable authenticators that have passed [SM-9] Authenticator Certification.	<u>SG-1</u>
	A Relying Party can additionally rely on SM-4] Authenticator Status Checking to check if an attestation presented by a malicious authenticator has been marked as compromised.	

T- 1.4.2	Uauth.priv Key Compromise	Violates
	Attacker succeeds in extracting a user's cryptographic authentication private key for use in a different context.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> The attacker could impersonate the user with a cloned authenticator that does not do trustworthy user verification, violating [SG-1].	
	Mitigations: [SM-1] Key Protection measures are intended to prevent this.	
AC2	Each authentication private key is only used for one relying party.	SG-1
	Relying Parties can check [SM-9] Authenticator Certification attributes to determine the type of key protection in use by a given authenticator class.	
	Relying Parties can additionally verify the [SM-15] Signature Counter and detect that an authenticator has been cloned if it ever fails to advance relative to the prior operation.	

T- 1.4.3	User Verification By-Pass	Violates
	Attacker could use the cryptographic authentication key (inside the authenticator) either with or without being noticed by the legitimate user.	
VC3	Consequences: Attacker could impersonate user, violating [SG-1].	
AC3, AC5	<b>Mitigations:</b> A user can only register and a Relying Party only allow authenticators that perform [SM-1] Key Protection with an appropriately secure user verification process.	<u>SG-1</u>
	Does not apply to Silent Authenticators (see FIDOGlossary]).	

T- 1.4.4	Physical Authenticator Attack	Violates
	Attacker could get physical access to FIDO Authenticator (e.g. by stealing it).	
	<b>Consequences:</b> Attacker could bring the authenticator in a lab in order to use the authentication key (e.g. bypassing user verification and knowing the RP related to this key). If this physical attack succeeds, the attacker could successfully impersonate the user, violating [SG-1] Strong User Authentication.	
AC2, AC5, AC6	Attacker can introduce a low entropy situation to recover an ECDSA signature key (or optherwise extract the Uauth.priv key), violating [SG-9] Attestable Properties if the attestation key is targeted or [SG-1] Strong User Authentication if a user key is targeted.	<u>SG-1</u>
	<b>Mitigations:</b> [SM-1] Key Protection includes requirements to implement strong protections for key material, including resiliance to offline attacks and low entropy situations.	
	Relying Parties should use [SM-3] Authenticator Class Attestation to only accept Authenticators implementing a sufficiently strong user verification method.	

T- 1.4.6	Fake Authenticator	Violates
	Attacker is able to extract the authenticator attestation key from an authenticator, e.g. by neutralizing physical countermeasures in a laboratory setting.	
	Consequences: Attacker can violate [SG-9] Attestable Properties by creating a malicious hardware or software	

AC2 1.4.6	device that represents itself as a legitimate one.  Fake Authenticator	Violate
1.4.0	Mitigations: Relying Parties can use [SM-4] Authenticator Status Checking to identify known-compromised keys. Identification of such compromise is outside the strict scope of the FIDO protocols.	
T-  .4.7	Transaction Confirmation Display Overlay Attack	Violate
	Attacker is able to subvert [SM-5] Secure Display functionality (WYSIWYS), perhaps by overlaying the display with false information.	
	Consequences: Violation of [SG-14] Transaction Non-Repudiation.	
AC6	<b>Mitigations:</b> Authenticator implementations must take care to protect in their implementation of a secure display, e.g. by implementing a distinct hardware display or employing appropriate privileges in the operating environment of the user device to protect against spoofing and tampering.	SG-14
	[SM-9] Authenticator Certification will provide Relying Parties with metadata about the nature of a transaction confirmation display information that can be used to assess whether it matches the assurance level and risk tolerance of the Relying Party for that particular transaction.	
T- 1.4.8	Signature Algorithm Attack	Violate
1.4.0	A cryptographic attack is discovered against the public key cryptography system used to sign data by the FIDO authenticator. See also T-1.4.10.	
AC1,	<b>Consequences:</b> Attacker is able to use messages generated by the client to violate [SG-2] Credential Guessing Resistance.	
AC2, AC3, AC5	<b>Mitigations:</b> [SM-8] Protocol Nonces, including client-generated entropy, limit the amount of control any adversary has over the internal structure of an authenticator.	<u>SG-2</u>
	[SM-1] Key Protection for non-silent authenticators requires user interaction to authorize any operation performed with the authentication key, severely limiting the rate at which an adversary can perform adaptive cryptographic attacks.	
T- 1.4.9	Abuse Functionality	Violate
AC2,	It might be possible for an attacker to abuse the Authenticator functionality by sending commands with invalid parameters or invalid commands to the Authenticator.	
AC3, AC5,	Consequences: This might lead to e.g., user verification by-pass or potential key extraction.	<u>SG-1</u>
4C6	Mitigations: Proper robustness (e.g. due to testing) of the Authenticator firmware.	
T- 1.4.10	Random Number prediction	Violate
	It might be possible for an attacker to get access to information allowing the prediction of RNG data.	
AC2, AC3, AC5,	Consequences: This might lead to key compromise situation [[-1.4.2]] when using ECDSA (if the k value is used multiple times or if it is predictable).	SG-1
AC6		<u> </u>
	<b>Mitigations:</b> Proper robustness of the Authenticator's RNG and verification of the relevant operating environment parameters (e.g. temperature,).	<u> </u>
1C6 T-	parameters (e.g. temperature,).	
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AC6 T-	parameters (e.g. temperature,).  Firmware Rollback	
T-	Firmware Rollback  Attacker might be able to install a previous and potentially buggy version of the firmware.	Violate
T- 1.4.11	Firmware Rollback  Attacker might be able to install a previous and potentially buggy version of the firmware.  Consequences: This might lead to successful attacks, e.g. T-1.4.9.  Mitigations: Proper robustness firmware update and verification method.	Violate
T- 1.4.11	Firmware Rollback  Attacker might be able to install a previous and potentially buggy version of the firmware.  Consequences: This might lead to successful attacks, e.g. T-1.4.9.  Mitigations: Proper robustness firmware update and verification method.	Violate
T- 1.4.11 T- 1.4.12	Firmware Rollback  Attacker might be able to install a previous and potentially buggy version of the firmware.  Consequences: This might lead to successful attacks, e.g. T-1.4.9.  Mitigations: Proper robustness firmware update and verification method.  User Verification Data Injection  Attacker might be able to inject pre-captured user verification data into the Authenticator. For example, if a password is used as user verification method, the attacker could capture the password entered by the user and then send the correct password to the Authenticator (by-passing the expected keyboard/PIN pad). Passwords could be captured ahead of the attack e.g. by convincing the user to enter the password into a malicious app ("phishing")	Violate
T- 1.4.11	Firmware Rollback  Attacker might be able to install a previous and potentially buggy version of the firmware.  Consequences: This might lead to successful attacks, e.g. T-1.4.9.  Mitigations: Proper robustness firmware update and verification method.  User Verification Data Injection  Attacker might be able to inject pre-captured user verification data into the Authenticator. For example, if a password is used as user verification method, the attacker could capture the password entered by the user and then send the correct password to the Authenticator (by-passing the expected keyboard/PIN pad). Passwords could be captured ahead of the attack e.g. by convincing the user to enter the password into a malicious app ("phishing") or by spying directly or indirectly the password data.  In another example, some malware could play an audio stream which would be recorded by the microphone and	Violat  SG-1  Violat

**Mitigations:** Use a physically secured user verification input method, e.g. Fingerprint Sensor or Trusted-User-Interface for PIN entry which cannot be by-passed by malware.

T- 1.4-12 1.4.13	User Verification Data Injection Verification Reference Data Modification	Violates Violates
	An attacker gains logical or physical access to the Authenticator and modifies Verification Reference Data (e.g. hashed PIN value, fingerprint templates) stored in the Authenticator and adds reference data known to or reproducible by the attacker.	
AC3, AC6	Consequences: The attacker would be recognized as the legitimate User and could impersonate the user.	SG-1
<u> </u>	Mitigations: [SM-27] Proper protection of the the verification reference data and biometric data in the Authenticator.	
T- 1.4.14	Read access to captured user verification data	Violates
	The Attacker gained read access to the captured user verification data (e.g. PIN, fingerprint image,).	
AC3, AC6	Consequences: The attacker gets access to PII and could disclose it violating [5G-8].	SG-8
ACO	Mitigations: Limiting access to the user verification data to the Authenticator exclusively.	
T- 1.4.15	Compromised the internal PRNG state and the entropy source	Violates
	In this threat, an attacker compromises the entropy source prior to the Authenticator initially seeding the PRNG during initialization or otherwise compromises the internal PRNG state, and the attacker is able to know or specify all future entropy inputs to the PRNG. No PRNG is able to recover to a secure status under this threat, but it serves as a useful point for comparison.	
	Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-2], [SG-3], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-1,
AC1, AC2, AC5	<b>Mitigations:</b> This constitutes a complete compromise of the RNG, with no ability to recover, so mitigation for this threat involves reducing the impact of a compromised RNG. This is partially mitigated by using an allowed random number generator that allows secure integration of additional input [SM-16] and introduction of data derived from the RP challenge additional input to the PRNG, which can help so long as the attacker has not additionally compromised the TLS session or the ASM / Authenticator link. Using the deterministic signature generation methods (e.g., RFC 6979) can reduce the risk of compromise of existing keys during the signature process, as can using the private key and hash of the signed message as additional input to the PRNG during signature generation. Prevention of non-scalable versions of this style of attack is at least partially addressed by [SM-17] and [SM-18].	SG-2, SG-3, SG-4, SG-11, SG-14
T- 1.4.16	Compromised entropy source after successful seeding during initialization	Violates
	In this threat, an attacker gains the ability to influence the Authenticator's entropy source, but only after the initial seeding has been conducted (e.g., if initial seeding occurred prior to the attack and / or as per-Authenticator factory injection of entropy).	SG-1,
AC1, AC2,	Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-2], [SG-3], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-2, SG-3,
AC5	<b>Mitigations:</b> This is mitigated by using an allowed PRNG which retains PRNG state between power cycles; i.e., which conserves PRNG state even when being reseeded [SM-16]. Prevention of non-scalable versions of this style of attack is at least partially addressed by [SM-17] and [SM-18].	SG-4, SG-11, SG-14
T- 1.4.17	Compromised the internal PRNG state, but not the entropy source	Violates
	In this threat, an attacker compromises the entropy source prior to seeding the PRNG or otherwise compromises the internal PRNG state, but then at some point, the attacker no longer can access / control the entropy source.	
101	Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-2], [SG-3], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14]	SG-1, SG-2,
AC1, AC2, AC5	Mitigations: This can be mitigated by Authenticators reseeding periodically from an internal entropy source [SM-16]. As a note, this imposes a total number of random number generator requests prior to a required reseed event;	SG-3, SG-4, SG-11,
	in the event that the Authenticator does not have an entropy source internally, this may act as a hard limit on the number of registrations / authentications that such an Authenticator can perform. Prevention of non-scalable versions of this style of attack is at least partially addressed by [SM-17] and [SM-18].	SG-14
T- 1.4.18	number of registrations / authentications that such an Authenticator can perform. Prevention of non-scalable	SG-14 Violates
	number of registrations / authentications that such an Authenticator can perform. Prevention of non-scalable versions of this style of attack is at least partially addressed by [SM-17] and [SM-18].	Violates
<b>1.4.18</b> AC1,	number of registrations / authentications that such an Authenticator can perform. Prevention of non-scalable versions of this style of attack is at least partially addressed by [SM-17] and [SM-18].  Bad Key Generation  In this threat, random chance or active attack causes the key generated to be cryptographically flawed; e.g., an RSA key that can be factored using the Pollard p-1 algorithm more quickly than with the General Number Field	Violates SG-1, SG-2,
1.4.18	number of registrations / authentications that such an Authenticator can perform. Prevention of non-scalable versions of this style of attack is at least partially addressed by [SM-17] and [SM-18].  Bad Key Generation  In this threat, random chance or active attack causes the key generated to be cryptographically flawed; e.g., an RSA key that can be factored using the Pollard p-1 algorithm more quickly than with the General Number Field Sieve. See also T-1.4.21.	Violates
AC1, AC2,	number of registrations / authentications that such an Authenticator can perform. Prevention of non-scalable versions of this style of attack is at least partially addressed by [SM-17] and [SM-18].  Bad Key Generation  In this threat, random chance or active attack causes the key generated to be cryptographically flawed; e.g., an RSA key that can be factored using the Pollard p-1 algorithm more quickly than with the General Number Field Sieve. See also T-1.4.21.  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-2], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14]  Mitigations: This is mitigated by requiring use of an allowed random number generator (in the case of certified authenticators), requiring that keys be generated in the way required in the relevant standard specified in the Allowed Cryptography List [SM-16], and making the key generation process resistant to tampering by the attacker [SM-18].	Violates SG-1, SG-2, SG-4, SG-11,

(assoc		Violate SG-2.
with sh	ared   Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-2], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-4,
keys),	Mitigations: This is mitigated by the side channel resistance security measure §M-17].	SG-11, SG-14
T-1.4	.20 Internal side channel attacks	Violate
	In this threat, an attacker controlling a process running on the same hardware environment as the	
AC2 (associ	Authenticator may be able to recover keys by using information leaked by hardware or operating system characteristics (e.g., how often the attacker's process is scheduled, the state of the L1, L2 caches, etc.).	SG-1, SG-4.
with sh	ared Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-11, SG-14
keys), <sub>i</sub>	Mitigations: This is mitigated by the side channel resistance security measure §M-17].	<u>3G-14</u>
T-1.4	.21 Error injection during key or signature generation	Violate
۸.00	In this threat, an attacker is able to inject an error in the key or signature generation process that leaks part or all of the private key.	66.1
AC2 (associ	ated Consequences: May undermine [SG-1] [SG-1] [SG-11] [SG-14]	SG-1, SG-4,
with sh keys),	aleu	SG-11, SG-14
	willigations. This is milligated by tow-10 and tow-20.	
T- 1.4.22	Birthday Paradox Collision	Violate
	In this threat, a set of randomly generated parameters collide. The probability of this occurrence can be bounded using analysis similar to that associated with the classical Birthday Paradox.	
AC3,	Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-1, SG-11
AC6	Mitigations: Establishing a bounded number of allowable outputs based on the size of the randomly generated	SG-14
	value [SM-19].	
T- 1.4.23	Privacy Reduction	Violate
	In this threat, a small number of Authenticators share an attestation key which leaks information about the user across Relying Parties.	
AC1	Consequences: May undermine [SG-4].	SG-4
	Mitigations: This is mitigated by [SM-20].	
T- 1.4.24	Covert Channel	Violate
	In this threat, an Authenticator is malicious (either by design, or after having been independently compromised) and	
	it is configured to leak secret or identifying data within apparently normal exchanges, or to other processes on the same hardware platform as the Authenticator.	SG-1, SG-4,
AC1		SG-4, SG-5, SG-6,
AC1	same hardware platform as the Authenticator.  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-5], [SG-6], [SG-8], [SG-11], [SG-14].  Mitigations: Note: This is an interesting thought experiment; use of random nonces and other non-deterministic	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8, SG-11
AC1	same hardware platform as the Authenticator.  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-5], [SG-6], [SG-8], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8,
T-	same hardware platform as the Authenticator.  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-5], [SG-6], [SG-8], [SG-11], [SG-14].  Mitigations: Note: This is an interesting thought experiment; use of random nonces and other non-deterministic	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8, SG-11
T- 1.4.25	Substitution of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker substitutes protected information, either by modifying it piecemeal, or by completely substituting it with another value. (Some encryption modes allow an attacker to target bit-level changes to the plaintext. Authenticated data may also have been replaced with data that had previously been authenticated in the	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8, SG-11 SG-14
T- 1.4.25 AC1, AC3, AC5,	Substitution of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker substitutes protected information, either by modifying it piecemeal, or by completely substituting it with another value. (Some encryption modes allow an attacker to target bit-level changes to the plaintext. Authenticated data may also have been replaced with data that had previously been authenticated in the same way.)	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8, SG-11 SG-14 Violate
T- 1.4.25 AC1, AC3, AC5,	Substitution of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker substitutes protected information, either by modifying it piecemeal, or by completely substituting it with another value. (Some encryption modes allow an attacker to target bit-level changes to the plaintext. Authenticated data may also have been replaced with data that had previously been authenticated in the	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8, SG-11 SG-14 Violate
T- 1.4.25 AC1, AC3, AC5, AC6	Substitution of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker substitutes protected information, it with another value. (Some encryption modes allow an attacker to target bit-level changes to the plaintext. Authenticated data may also have been replaced with data that had previously been authenticated in the same way.)  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8, SG-11 SG-14
T- 1.4.25	Substitution of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker substitutes protected information, it with another value. (Some encryption modes allow an attacker to target bit-level changes to the plaintext. Authenticated data may also have been replaced with data that had previously been authenticated in the same way.)  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8, SG-11 SG-14 Violate Violate
T- 1.4.25 AC1, AC3, AC5, AC6	Substitution of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker substitutes protected information, either by modifying it with another value. (Some encryption modes allow an attacker to target bit-level changes to the plaintext. Authenticated data may also have been replaced with data that had previously been authenticated in the same way.)  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].  Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by [SM-1], [SM-16], [SM-21].	Violate  Violate  Violate  SG-1, SG-4, SG-14  Violate  Violate  SG-1, SG-1, SG-14
T- 1.4.25 AC1, AC3, AC6 T- 1.4.26	Substitution of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker substitutes protected information, either by modifying it piecemeal, or by completely substituting it with another value. (Some encryption modes allow an attacker to target bit-level changes to the plaintext. Authenticated data may also have been replaced with data that had previously been authenticated in the same way.)  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].  Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by [SM-1], [SM-16], [SM-21].  Compromise of Protected Information	Violate  Violate  Violate  SG-1, SG-14  SG-14  Violate  SG-1, SG-14  SG-14  SG-14  SG-14  SG-14  SG-15  SG-14  SG-15  SG-
T- 1.4.25 AC1, AC5, AC6	Same hardware platform as the Authenticator.  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-5], [SG-6], [SG-8], [SG-11], [SG-14].  Mitigations: Note: This is an interesting thought experiment; use of random nonces and other non-deterministic elements make protection against this threat problematic.  Substitution of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker substitutes protected information, either by modifying it piecemeal, or by completely substituting it with another value. (Some encryption modes allow an attacker to target bit-level changes to the plaintext. Authenticated data may also have been replaced with data that had previously been authenticated in the same way.)  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].  Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by [SM-1], [SM-16], [SM-21].  Compromise of Protected Information  In this threat, an attacker recovers data that should be protected by the Authenticator.	SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-11 SG-14 Violate Violate Violate SG-1, SG-1, SG-1, SG-1, SG-1, SG-2, SG-2, SG-4,

T- 1.4.27	Signature or registration counter non-monotonicity	Violates
	In this threat, an attacker may be able to cause these counters to be reset, to roll over, or otherwise to decrease in value.	SG-1,
AC1	Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-12], [SG-14].  Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by [SM-15].	SG-1, SG-12, SG-14

T- 1.4.28	Hostile ASM / Client	Violates
AC3, AC5, AC6	In this threat, the Authenticator support infrastructure is hostile, and can feed arbitrary data to the Authenticator.  Consequences: May undermine [SG-4], [SG-5], [SG-7], [SG-8].  Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by [SM-10], [SM-13].	SG-4, SG-5, SG-7, SG-8

T-1.4.29	Debug Interface	Violates
AC2 (associated with shared keys), AC3 (associated with shared keys), AC5, AC6	In this threat, the Authenticator has a hardware or software debugging interface that is not completely disabled prior to distribution of the Authenticator (e.g., pads for a JTAG port).  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-5], [SG-6], [SG-8], [SG-11], [SG-14].  Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by [SM-18], [SM-22], and [SM-28].	SG-1, SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, SG-8, SG-11, SG-14

T- 1.4.30	Fault induced by malformed input	Violates
AC2, AC3, AC5, AC6	In this threat, the Authenticator behaves in an unexpected fashion due to an error in processing malformed input. The result of this style of attack is poorly controllable, absent strong internal segmentation of the Authenticator.  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-2], [SG-3], [SG-4], [SG-6], [SG-7], [SG-8], [SG-11], [SG-14], [SG-16].  Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by [SM-1], [SM-2], [SM-4], [SM-5], [SM-10], [SM-5], [SM-23], [SM-13], [SM-26].	SG-1, SG-2, SG-3, SG-4, SG-6, SG-7, SG-8, SG-11, SG-14, SG-16

T-1.4.31	Fault Injection Attack	Violates
AC2 (associated with shared keys), AC5, AC6	In this threat, an attacker subjects the Authenticator to conditions that induce hardware faults (e.g., exposure to photons or charged particles, inducing variations in supply voltage or external clock, altering the temperature, etc.) in an attempt to subvert some logical or physical protection. The result of this style of attack is poorly controllable, absent active detection and response functionality within the Authenticator. This is related to T-1.4.21, but applies more broadly.  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-2], [SG-3], [SG-4], [SG-6], [SG-7], [SG-8], [SG-11], [SG-14], [SG-16].  Mitigations: Mitigated by [SM-1], [SM-2], [SM-4], [SM-5], [SM-10], [SM-5], [SM-18], [SM-23], [SM-13], [SM-26], [SM-28].	SG-1, SG-2, SG-3, SG-4, SG-6, SG-7, SG-8, SG-11, SG-14, SG-16

T- 1.4.32	Remote Timing Attacks	Violates
	In this threat, an attacker may be able to extract keys using a timing attack from a remote location. The impact depends on the key or secret recovered.	SG-1, SG-2,
AC2, AC5	<b>Consequences:</b> May undermine [SG-1], [SG-2], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].	SG-4, SG-11.
	Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by the remote timing attack resistance security measure [SM-29].	SG-11, SG-14

# 7.1.5 Threats to Relying Party

# 7.1.5.1 Threats to FIDO Server Data

T- 2.1.1	FIDO Server DB Read Attack	Violates
	Attacker could obtains read-access to FIDO Server registration database.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> Attacker can access all cryptographic key handles and authenticator characteristics associated with a username. If an authenticator or combination of authenticators is unique, they might use this to try to violate [SG-2] Unlinkability.	
	Attacker attempts to perform factorization of public keys by virtue of having access to a large corpus of data, violating [SG-5] Verifier Leak Resiliance and [SG-2] Credential Guessing Resilience.	
	Mitigations: [SM-2] Unique Authentication Keys help prevent disclosed key material from being useful against any	<u>SG-2</u> ,

T- 2.1.1	other Relying Party, even if successfully attacked Server DB Read Attack	SG-5 Violates
	The use of an [SM-6] Cryptographically Secure Verifier Database helps assure that it is infeasible to attack any leaked verifier keys.	
	[SM-9] Authenticator Certification along with SM-16] should help prevent authenticators with poor entropy from entering the market, reducing the likelihood that even a large corpus of key material will be useful in mounting attacks.	

T- 2.1.2	FIDO Server DB Modification Attack	Violates
	Attacker gains write-access to the FIDO Server registration database.	
	Consequences: Violation of [SA-6]	
AC1	The attacker may inject a key registration under its control, violating §G-1] Strong User Authentication.	SA-6
	<b>Mitigations:</b> Mitigating such attacks is outside the scope of the FIDO specifications. The Relying Party must maintain the integrity of any information it relies up on to identify a user as part of [SA-6].	

T- 2.2.1	Web App Malware	Violates
	Attacker gains ability to execute code in the security context of the Relying Party web application or FIDO Server.	
	Consequences: Attacker is able to violate [SG-1], [SG-10], [SG-9] and any other Relying Party controls.	
	<b>Mitigations:</b> The consequences of such an incident are limited to the relationship between the user and that particular Relying Party by [SM-1], [SM-2], and [SM-5].	SG-1, SG-9, SG-10
	Even within the Relying Party to user relationship, a user can be protected by [SM-10] Transaction Confirmation if the compromise does not include the users' computing environment.	

T- 2.2.2	Linking through compromised Relying Party database	Violates
AC1	In this threat, a Relying Party is able to access another Relying Party's database (either because the Relying Parties are collaborating or because of the compromise of another Relying Party's database). The malicious party then sends Key Handles (which may contain a wrapped private key) from the other Relying Party's database in an attempt to link the two separate accounts to the same Authenticator (thus user).  Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4].  Mitigations: This threat is mitigated by [SM-1], [SM-2], [SM-5], [SM-23].	SG-1, SG-4

### 7.1.6 Threats to the Secure Channel between Client and Relying Party

### 7.1.6.1 Exploiting Weaknesses in the Secure Transport of FIDO Messages

FIDO takes as a base assumption that [SA-3] applications on the user device are able to establish secure channels that provide trustworthy server authentication, and confidentiality and integrity for messages. e.g. through TLS. [T-1.2.4] Discusses some consequences of violations of this assumption due to implementation errors in a browser or client application, but other threats exist in different layers.

T- 3.1.1	TLS Proxy	Violates
	The FIDO user device is administratively configured to connect through a proxy that terminates TLS connections. The client trusts this device, but the connection between the user and FIDO server is no longer end-to-end secure.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> Any such proxies introduce a new party into the protocol. If this party is untrustworthy, consequences may be as for [T-1.2.4].	SC 11
AC3	<b>Mitigations:</b> Mitigations for [T-1.2.4] apply, except that the proxy is considered trusted by the client, so certain methods of [SM-12] Channel Binding may indicate a compromised channel even in the absence of an attack. Servers should use multiple methods and adjust their risk scoring appropriately. A trustworthy client that reports a server certificate that is unknown to the server and does not chain to a public root may indicate a client behind such a proxy. A client reporting a server certificate that is unknown to the server but validates for the server's identity according to commonly used public trust roots is more likely to indicate [T-3.1.2].	SG-11, SG-12, SG-13

T- 3.1.2	Fraudulent TLS Server Certificate	Violates
AC3	An attacker is able to obtain control of a certificate credential for a Relying Party, perhaps from a compromised Certification Authority or poor protection practices by the Relying Party.  Consequences: As for [T-1.2.4].	SG-11, SG-12, SG-13
	Mitigations: As for [T-1.2.4].	

T- 3.1.3	Protocol level real-time MITM attack	Violates

T- 3.1.3	An adversary can intercept and manipulate network packets sent from the relying party to the client. The adversary uses this capability to (a) terminate the underlying eves session with the client at the adversary and to (b)	Violates	
	simultaneously use another TLS session from the adversary to the relying party. In the traditional username/password world, this allows the adversary to intercept the username and the password and then successfully impersonate the user at the relying party.		İ
	Consequences: None if FIDO channelBinding [SM-12] or transaction confirmation [SM-10] are used.		
AC3	<b>Mitigations:</b> In the case of channelBinding [SM-12], the FIDO server will detect the MITM in the TLS channel by comparing the channel binding information provided by the client and the channel binding information retrieved locally by the server.	SG-11, SG-12, SG-13	İ
	In the case of transaction confirmation SM-10], the user verifies and approves a particular transaction. The adversary could modify the transaction before approval. This would lead to rejection by the user. Alternatively, the adversary could modify the transaction after approval. This will break the signature in the transaction confirmation response. The FIDO Server will not accept it as a consequence.		
	HTTP Public Key Pinning (RFC7469) can also be used to mitigate this attack (outside the FIDO stack).		

# 7.1.7 Threats to the Infrastructure

# 7.1.7.1 Threats to FIDO Authenticator Manufacturers

	T- 4.1.1	Manufacturer Level Attestation Key Compromise	Violates
		Attacker obtains control of an attestation key or attestation key issuing key.	
A	AC2	<b>Consequences:</b> Same as [T-1.4.6]: Attacker can violate [SG-9] Attestable Properties by creating a malicious hardware or software device that represents itself as a legitimate one.	SG-9
		<b>Mitigations:</b> Same as [T-1.4.6]: Relying Parties can use [SM-4] Authenticator Status Checking to identify known-compromised keys. Identification of such compromise is outside the strict scope of the FIDO protocols.	

T- 4.1.2	Malicious Authenticator HW	Violates
	FIDO Authenticator manufacturer relies on hardware or software components that generate weak cryptographic authentication key material or contain backdoors.	
AC1, AC2, AC3, AC5, AC6	Consequences: Effective violation of SA-1 in the context of such an Authenticator.  Mitigations: The process of SM-9 Authenticator Certification may reveal a subset of such threats, but it is not possible that all such can be revealed with black box testing and white box examination may be is economically infeasible. Users and Relying Parties with special concerns about this class of threat must exercise their own necessary caution about the trustworthiness and verifiability of their vendors and supply chain. [SM-24] builds confidence that an Authenticator is not malicious or poorly implemented.	<u>SA-1</u>

# 7.1.7.2 Threats to FIDO Server Vendors

T- 4.2.1	Vendor Level Trust Anchor Injection Attack	Violates
	Attacker adds malicious trust anchors to the trust list shipped by a FIDO Server vendor.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> Attacker can deploy fake Authenticators which Relying Parties cannot detect as such, which do not implement any appropriate security measures, and is able to violate all security goals of FIDO.	54.6
	Mitigations: This type of supply chain threat is outside the strict scope of the FIDO protocols and violates [SA-6]. Relying Parties can verify their trust list against the data published by the FIDO Alliance Metadata Service [FIDOMetadataService] (see https://fidoalliance.org/mds).	<u>SA-6</u>

# 7.1.7.3 Threats to FIDO Metadata Service Operators

T- 4.3.1	Metadata Service Signing Key Compromise	Violates
	The attacker gets access to the private Metadata TOC signing key.	
	Consequences: The attacker could sign invalid Metadata. The attacker could	
	make trustworthy authenticators look less trustworthy (e.g. by increasing FAR).	
	• make weak authenticators look strong (e.g. by changing the key protection method to a more secure one)	
	<ul> <li>inject malicious attestation trust anchors, e.g. root certificates which cross-signed the original attestation trust anchor and the cross-signed original attestation root certificate. This malicious trust anchors could be used to sign attestation certificates for fraudulent authenticators, e.g. authenticators using the AAID of trustworthy authenticators but not protecting their keys as stated in the metadata.</li> </ul>	<u>SG-9</u>
	<b>Mitigations:</b> The Metadata Service operator should protect the Metadata signing key appropriately, e.g. using a hardware protected key storage.	
	Relying parties could use out-of-band methods to cross-check Metadata Statements with the respective vendors and	

T-	cross-check the revocation state of the Metadata signing key with the provider of the Metadata Service.  Metadata Service Signing Key Compromise	Violates
4.3.1	Metadata Service Signing Key Compromise	violates

T- 4.3.2	Metadata Statement Data Injection	Violates
	An attacker injects malicious Authenticator data into the Metadata Statement.	
	Consequences: The attacker could make the Metadata Service operator sign invalid Metadata Statements. The attacker could	
	<ul> <li>make trustworthy authenticators look less trustworthy (e.g. by increasing FAR).</li> <li>make weak authenticators look strong (e.g. by changing the key protection method to a more secure one)</li> <li>inject malicious attestation trust anchors, e.g. root certificates which cross-signed the original attestation trust anchor and the cross-signed original attestation root certificate. This malicious trust anchors could be used to sign attestation certificates for fraudulent authenticators, e.g. authenticators using the AAID of trustworthy authenticators but not protecting their keys as stated in the metadata.</li> <li>Mitigations: The Metadata Service operator could carefully review the delta between the old and the new Metadata Statements. Authenticator vendors could verify the published Metadata Statements related to their Authenticators.</li> </ul>	<u>SG-9</u>

# 7.1.8 Threats Specific to Second Factor Authenicators (UAF / U2F)

T- 5.1.1	Error Status Side Channel	Violates
	Relying parties issues an authentication challenge to an authenticator and can infer from error status if it is already registered.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> UAF Silent authenticators / U2F authenticators not requiring user interaction for generating a signed response may be used to track users without their consent by issuing a pre-authentication challenge to them, revealing the identity of an otherwise anonymous user. Users would be identifiable by relying parties without their knowledge, violating [SG-7].	<u>SG-7</u>
	<b>Mitigations:</b> The U2F specification recommends that browsers prompt users whether to allow this operation using mechanisms similar to those defined for other privacy sensitive operations like Geolocation.	

T- 5.1.2	Malicious RP	Violates
	Malicious relying party mounts a cryptographic attack on a key handle it is storing.	
	<b>Consequences:</b> If the Relying Party is able to recover the contents of the key handle, it might forge logs of protocol exchanges to associate the user with actions he or she did not perform.	
AC1	If the Relying Party is able to recover the key used to wrap a key handle, that key is likely used for all key handles, and hence might be used to decrypt key handles stored with other Relying Parties and violate [SG-1] Strong User Authentication.	<u>SG-1</u>
	Mitigations: None. U2F depends on SA-1 to hold for key wrapping operations.	

T- 5.1.3	Physical Attack on a User Presence Authenticator	Violates
	Attacker gains physical access to U2F authenticator or a UAF authenticator with only user presence check (e.g., by stealing it).	
	Consequences: Same as for [T-1.4.4].	
AC5	Such authenticators have weak local user verification. If the attacker can guess the username and password/PIN, they can impersonate the user, violating [SG-1] Strong User Authentication.	<u>SG-1</u>
	Mitigations: Relying Parties can use strong additional factors.	
	Relying Parties should provide users a means to revoke keys associated with a lost device.	

T-5.1.4	Physical Attack	Violates
	In this threat, keys or other sensitive information is read out by directly accessing it from the authenticator that the attacker has physically compromised.	SG-1, SG-4, SG-11, SG-14
AC2	Consequences: May undermine [SG-1], [SG-4], [SG-11], [SG-14].	
(associated with shared keys), AC5	Authenticator with user presence check have weak local user verification. If the attacker can guess the username and password/PIN, they can impersonate the user, violating [SG-1] Strong User Authentication.	
	Mitigations: Mitigated by resistance to injected faults [SM-18] and [SM-28].	

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# **Abstract**

This document defines all the strings and constants reserved by FIDO protocols. The values defined in this document are referenced by various FIDO specifications.

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# 1. Notation

Type names, attribute names and element names are written as code.

String literals are enclosed in "", e.g. "UAF-TLV".

In formulas we use "I" to denote byte wise concatenation operations.

FIDO specific terminology used in this document is defined in FIDOGlossary].

Some entries are marked as "(optional)" in this spec. The meaning of this is defined in other FIDO specifications referring to this document.

### 1.1 Conformance

As well as sections marked as non-normative, all authoring guidelines, diagrams, examples, and notes in this specification are non-normative. Everything else in this specification is normative.

The key words must, must not, required, should, should not, recommended, may, and optional in this specification are to be interpreted as described in RFC2119].

# 2. Overview

This section is non-normative.

This document defines the registry of FIDO-specific constants common to multiple FIDO protocol families. It is expected that, over time, new constants will be added to this registry. For example new authentication algorithms and new types of authenticator characteristics will require new constants to be defined for use within the specifications.

# 3. Authenticator Characteristics

This section is normative.

# 3.1 User Verification Methods

The <u>user\_verify</u> constants are flags in a bitfield represented as a 32 bit long integer. They describe the methods and capabilities of an UAF authenticator for *locally* verifying a user. The operational details of these methods are opaque to the server. These constants are used in the authoritative metadata for an authenticator, reported and queried through the UAF Discovery APIs, and used to form authenticator policies in UAF protocol messages.

All user verification methods must be performed locally by the authenticator in order to meet FIDO privacy principles.

### USER VERIFY PRESENCE 0x0000001

This flag must be set if the authenticator is able to confirm user presence in any fashion. If this flag and no other is set for user verification, the guarantee is only that the authenticator cannot be operated without some human intervention, not necessarily that the sensing of "presence" provides any level of user verification (e.g. a device that requires a button press to activate).

### USER VERIFY FINGERPRINT 0x00000002

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses any type of measurement of a fingerprint for user verification.

## USER\_VERIFY\_PASSCODE 0x00000004

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses a local-only passcode (i.e. a passcode not known by the server) for user verification.

# USER VERIFY VOICEPRINT 0x00000008

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses a voiceprint (also known as speaker recognition) for user verification.

### USER VERIFY FACEPRINT 0x00000010

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses any manner of face recognition to verify the user.

### USER VERIFY LOCATION 0x00000020

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses any form of location sensor or measurement for user verification.

### USER VERIFY EYEPRINT 0x00000040

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses any form of eye biometrics for user verification.

### USER\_VERIFY\_PATTERN 0x00000080

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses a drawn pattern for user verification.

### USER VERIFY HANDPRINT 0x00000100

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses any measurement of a full hand (including palm-print, hand geometry or vein geometry) for user verification.

#### USER VERIFY NONE 0x00000200

This flag must be set if the authenticator will respond without any user interaction (e.g. Silent Authenticator).

# USER\_VERIFY\_ALL 0x00000400

If an authenticator sets multiple flags for user verification types, itmay also set this flag to indicate that all verification methods will be enforced (e.g. faceprint AND voiceprint). If flags for multiple user verification methods are set and this flag is not set, verification with only one is necessary (e.g. fingerprint OR passcode).

# 3.2 Key Protection Types

The KEY\_PROTECTION constants are flags in a bit field represented as a 16 bit long integer. They describe the method an authenticator uses to protect the private key material for FIDO registrations. Refer to [UAFAuthnrCommands] for more details on the relevance of keys and key protection. These constants are used in the authoritative metadata for an authenticator, reported and queried through the UAF Discovery APIs, and used to form authenticator policies in UAF protocol messages.

When used in metadata describing an authenticator, several of these flags are exclusive of others (i.e. can not be combined) - the certified metadata may have at most one of the mutually exclusive bits set to 1. When used in authenticator policy, any bit may be set to 1, e.g. to indicate that a server is willing to accept authenticators using either KEY\_PROTECTION\_SOFTWARE OF KEY\_PROTECTION\_HARDWARE.

#### NOTE

These flags must be set according to the *effective* security of the keys, in order to follow the assumptions made in [FIDOSecRef]. For example, if a key is stored in a secure element *but* software running on the FIDO User Device could call a function in the secure element to export the key either in the clear or using an arbitrary wrapping key, then the effective security is <a href="mailto:key\_protection\_software">key\_protection\_software</a> and not <a href="mailto:key\_protection\_software">key\_protection\_software</a> and not

#### **KEY PROTECTION SOFTWARE 0x0001**

This flag must be set if the authenticator uses software-based key management. Exclusive in authenticator metadata with <a href="mailto:key\_protection\_hardware">key\_protection\_hardware</a>, <a href="mailto:key\_protection\_key\_protection\_hardware">key\_protection\_hardware</a>, <a href="mailto:key\_protection\_hardware">key\_protection\_hardware</a>, <a href="mailto:key\_protection\_hardware</a>, <

#### **KEY PROTECTION HARDWARE 0x0002**

This flag should be set if the authenticator uses hardware-based key management. Exclusive in authenticator metadata with KEY PROTECTION SOFTWARE

# KEY\_PROTECTION\_TEE 0x0004

This flag should be set if the authenticator uses the Trusted Execution Environment [TEE] for key management. In authenticator metadata, this flag should be set in conjunction with KEY\_PROTECTION\_HARDWARE. Mutually exclusive in authenticator metadata with KEY\_PROTECTION\_SOFTWARE, KEY\_PROTECTION\_SECURE\_ELEMENT

### KEY PROTECTION SECURE ELEMENT 0x0008

This flag should be set if the authenticator uses a Secure Element [SecureElement] for key management. In authenticator metadata, this flag should be set in conjunction with <a href="KEY\_PROTECTION\_HARDWARE">KEY\_PROTECTION\_HARDWARE</a>. Mutually exclusive in authenticator metadata with <a href="KEY\_PROTECTION\_TEE">KEY\_PROTECTION\_SOFTWARE</a>

#### KEY PROTECTION REMOTE HANDLE 0x0010

This flag must be set if the authenticator does not store (wrapped) UAuth keys at the client, but relies on a server-provided key handle. This flag must be set in conjunction with one of the other KEY\_PROTECTION flags to indicate how the local key handle wrapping key and operations are protected. Servers may unset this flag in authenticator policy if they are not prepared to store and return key handles, for example, if they have a requirement to respond indistinguishably to authentication attempts against userIDs that do and do not exist. Refer to [UAFProtocol] for more details.

# 3.3 Matcher Protection Types

The MATCHER\_PROTECTION constants are flags in a bit field represented as a 16 bit long integer. They describe the method an authenticator uses to protect the matcher that performs user verification. These constants are used in the authoritative metadata for an authenticator, reported and queried through the UAF Discovery APIs, and used to form authenticator policies in UAF protocol messages. Refer to [UAFAuthnrCommands] for more details on the matcher component.

These flags must be set according to the *effective* security of the matcher, in order to follow the assumptions made in [FIDOSecRef]. For example, if a passcode based matcher is implemented in a secure element, but the passcode is expected to be provided as unauthenticated parameter, then the effective security is

MATCHER PROTECTION SOFTWARE and not MATCHER PROTECTION ON CHIP.

#### MATCHER PROTECTION SOFTWARE 0x0001

This flag must be set if the authenticator's matcher is running in software. Exclusive in authenticator metadata with MATCHER PROTECTION TEE, MATCHER PROTECTION ON CHIP

#### MATCHER PROTECTION TEE 0x0002

This flag should be set if the authenticator's matcher is running inside the Trusted Execution Environment [TEE]. Mutually exclusive in authenticator metadata with MATCHER PROTECTION SOFTWARE, MATCHER PROTECTION ON CHIP

### MATCHER\_PROTECTION\_ON\_CHIP 0x0004

This flag should be set if the authenticator's matcher is running on the chip. Mutually exclusive in authenticator metadata with MATCHER\_PROTECTION\_TEE,

MATCHER PROTECTION SOFTWARE

# 3.4 Authenticator Attachment Hints

The ATTACHMENT\_HINT constants are flags in a bit field represented as a 32 bit long. They describe the method an authenticator uses to communicate with the FIDO User Device. These constants are reported and queried through the UAF Discovery APIs [UAFAppAPIAndTransport], and used to form Authenticator policies in UAF protocol messages. Because the connection state and topology of an authenticator may be transient, these values are only hints that can be used by server-supplied policy to guide the user experience, e.g. to prefer a device that is connected and ready for authenticating or confirming a low-value transaction, rather than one that is more secure but requires more user effort.

### **NOTE**

These flags are not a mandatory part of authenticator metadata and, when present, only indicate possible states that may be reported during authenticator discovery.

#### ATTACHMENT HINT INTERNAL 0x0001

This flag may be set to indicate that the authenticator is permanently attached to the FIDO User Device.

A device such as a smartphone may have authenticator functionality that is able to be used both locally and remotely. In such a case, the FIDO client must filter and exclusively report only the relevant bit during Discovery and when performing policy matching.

This flag cannot be combined with any otherattachment HINT flags.

#### ATTACHMENT HINT EXTERNAL 0x0002

This flag may be set to indicate, for a hardware-based authenticator, that it is removable or remote from the FIDO User Device.

A device such as a smartphone may have authenticator functionality that is able to be used both locally and remotely. In such a case, the FIDO UAF Client must filter and exclusively report only the relevant bit during discovery and when performing policy matching.

This flag must be combined with one or more other ATTACHMENT HINT flag(s).

### ATTACHMENT\_HINT\_WIRED 0x0004

This flag may be set to indicate that an external authenticator currently has an exclusive wired connection, e.g. through USB, Firewire or similar, to the FIDO User

#### Device.

#### ATTACHMENT HINT WIRELESS 0x0008

This flag may be set to indicate that an external authenticator communicates with the FIDO User Device through a personal area or otherwise non-routed wireless protocol, such as Bluetooth or NFC.

### ATTACHMENT HINT NFC 0x0010

This flag may be set to indicate that an external authenticator is able to communicate by NFC to the FIDO User Device. As part of authenticator metadata, or when reporting characteristics through discovery, if this flag is set, the ATTACHMENT\_HINT\_WIRELESS flag should also be set as well.

### ATTACHMENT HINT BLUETOOTH 0x0020

This flag may be set to indicate that an external authenticator is able to communicate using Bluetooth with the FIDO User Device. As part of authenticator metadata, or when reporting characteristics through discovery, if this flag is set, the ATTACHMENT HINT WIRELESS flag should also be set.

### ATTACHMENT HINT NETWORK 0x0040

This flag may be set to indicate that the authenticator is connected to the FIDO User Device over a non-exclusive network (e.g. over a TCP/IP LAN or WAN, as opposed to a PAN or point-to-point connection).

# ATTACHMENT\_HINT\_READY 0x0080

This flag may be set to indicate that an external authenticator is in a "ready" state. This flag is set by the ASM at its discretion.

#### NOTE

Generally this should indicate that the device is immediately available to perform user verification without additional actions such as connecting the device or creating a new biometric profile enrollment, but the exact meaning may vary for different types of devices. For example, a USB authenticator may only report itself as ready when it is plugged in, or a Bluetooth authenticator when it is paired and connected, but an NFC-based authenticator may always report itself as ready.

### ATTACHMENT HINT WIFI DIRECT 0x0100

This flag may be set to indicate that an external authenticator is able to communicate using WiFi Direct with the FIDO User Device. As part of authenticator metadata and when reporting characteristics through discovery, if this flag is set, the ATTACHMENT HINT WIRELESS flag should also be set.

# 3.5 Transaction Confirmation Display Types

The <u>transaction\_confirmation\_display</u> constants are flags in a bit field represented as a 16 bit long integer. They describe the availability and implementation of a transaction confirmation display capability required for the transaction confirmation operation. These constants are used in the authoritative metadata for an authenticator, reported and queried through the UAF Discovery APIs, and used to form authenticator policies in UAF protocol messages. Refer to [UAFAuthnrCommands] for more details on the security aspects of TransactionConfirmation Display.

### TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION DISPLAY ANY 0x0001

This flag must be set to indicate that a transaction confirmation display, of any type, is available on this authenticator. Other <u>transaction\_confirmation\_display</u> flags may also be set if this flag is set. If the authenticator does not support a transaction confirmation display, then the value of <u>transaction\_confirmation\_display</u> must be set to 0.

# ${\tt TRANSACTION\_CONFIRMATION\_DISPLAY\_PRIVILEGED\_SOFTWARE~0x0002}$

This flag must be set to indicate, that a software-based transaction confirmation display operating in a privileged context is available on this authenticator.

A FIDO client that is capable of providing this capability may set this bit (in conjunction

with <u>transaction\_confirmation\_display\_any</u>) for all authenticators of type <u>attachment\_hint\_internal</u>, even if the authoritative metadata for the authenticator does not indicate this capability.

### **NOTE**

Software based transaction confirmation displays might be implemented within the boundaries of the ASM rather than by the authenticator itself [UAFASM].

This flag is mutually exclusive with transaction\_confirmation\_display\_tee and transaction confirmation display hardware.

### TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION DISPLAY TEE 0x0004

This flag should be set to indicate that the authenticator implements a transaction confirmation display in a Trusted Execution Environment ([TEE], [TEESecureDisplay]). This flag is mutually exclusive with

TRANSACTION\_CONFIRMATION\_DISPLAY\_PRIVILEGED\_SOFTWARE and TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION DISPLAY HARDWARE.

### TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION DISPLAY HARDWARE 0x0008

This flag should be set to indicate that a transaction confirmation display based on hardware assisted capabilities is available on this authenticator. This flag is mutually exclusive with transaction\_confirmation\_display\_privileged\_software and transaction\_confirmation\_display\_tee.

### TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION DISPLAY REMOTE 0x0010

This flag should be set to indicate that the transaction confirmation display is provided on a distinct device from the FIDO User Device. This flag can be combined with any other flag.

# 3.6 Tags used for crypto algorithms and types

These tags indicate the specific authentication algorithms, public key formats and other crypto relevant data.

### 3.6.1 Authentication Algorithms

The ALG\_SIGN constants are 16 bit long integers indicating the specific signature algorithm and encoding.

### **NOTE**

FIDO UAF supports RAW and DER signature encodings in order to allow small footprint authenticator implementations.

# ALG\_SIGN\_SECP256R1\_ECDSA\_SHA256\_RAW 0x0001

An ECDSA signature on the NIST secp256r1 curve which must have raw R and S buffers, encoded in big-endian order. This is the signature encoding as specified in [ECDSA-ANSI].

```
I.e. [R (32 bytes), S (32 bytes)]
```

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation formats:

- ALG KEY ECC X962 RAW
- ALG\_KEY\_ECC\_X962\_DER

DER [ITU-X690-2008] encoded ECDSA signature [RFC5480] on the NIST secp256r1 curve.

```
l.e. a DER encoded sequence { r INTEGER, s INTEGER }
```

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation formats:

- ALG\_KEY\_ECC\_X962\_RAW
- ALG\_KEY\_ECC\_X962\_DER

### ALG\_SIGN\_RSASSA\_PSS\_SHA256\_RAW 0x0003

RSASSA-PSS [RFC3447] signature must have raw S buffers, encoded in big-endian order [RFC4055] [RFC4056]. The default parameters as specified in [RFC4055] must be assumed, i.e.

- Mask Generation Algorithm MGF1 with SHA256
- Salt Length of 32 bytes, i.e. the length of a SHA256 hash value.
- Trailer Field value of 1, which represents the trailer field with hexadecimal value 0xBC.

```
I.e. [ S (256 bytes) ]
```

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation formats:

- ALG\_KEY\_RSA\_2048\_RAW
- ALG\_KEY\_RSA\_2048\_DER

### ALG\_SIGN\_RSASSA\_PSS\_SHA256\_DER 0x0004

DER [ITU-X690-2008] encoded OCTET STRING (not BIT STRING!) containing the RSASSA-PSS [RFC3447] signature [RFC4055] [RFC4056]. The default parameters as specified in [RFC4055] must be assumed, i.e.

- Mask Generation Algorithm MGF1 with SHA256
- Salt Length of 32 bytes, i.e. the length of a SHA256 hash value.
- Trailer Field value of 1, which represents the trailer field with hexadecimal value 0xBC.

I.e. a DER encoded octet string (including its tag and length bytes).

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation formats:

- ALG\_KEY\_RSA\_2048\_RAW
- ALG\_KEY\_RSA\_2048\_DER

#### ALG\_SIGN\_SECP256K1\_ECDSA\_SHA256\_RAW 0x0005

An ECDSA signature on the secp256k1 curve which must have raw R and S buffers, encoded in big-endian order.

```
I.e.[R (32 bytes), S (32 bytes)]
```

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation formats:

- ALG\_KEY\_ECC\_X962\_RAW
- ALG KEY ECC X962 DER

# ALG\_SIGN\_SECP256K1\_ECDSA\_SHA256\_DER 0x0006

DER [ITU-X690-2008] encoded ECDSA signature [RFC5480] on the secp256k1 curve.

I.e. a DER encoded sequence { r INTEGER, s INTEGER }

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation formats:

- ALG\_KEY\_ECC\_X962\_RAW
- ALG\_KEY\_ECC\_X962\_DER

## ALG\_SIGN\_SM2\_SM3\_RAW 0x0007 (optional)

Chinese SM2 elliptic curve based signature algorithm combined with SM3 hash algorithm [OSCCA-SM2][OSCCA-SM3]. We use the 256bit curve [OSCCA-SM2-curve-param].

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation format: ALG\_KEY\_ECC\_X962\_RAW.

### ALG SIGN RSA EMSA PKCS1 SHA256 RAW 0x0008

This is the EMSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 signature as defined in [RFC3447]. This means that the encoded message EM will be the input to the cryptographic signing algorithm RSASP1 as defined in [RFC3447]. The result s of RSASP1 is then encoded using function I2OSP to produce the raw signature octets.

- EM =  $0x00 \mid 0x01 \mid PS \mid 0x00 \mid T$
- with the padding string PS with length=emLen tLen 3 octets having the value 0xff for each octet, e.g. (0x) ff ff ff ff ff ff
- with the DER [ITU-X690-2008] encoded DigestInfo value T: (0x)30 31 30 0d 06 09 60 86 48 01 65 03 04 02 01 05 00 04 20 | H, where H denotes the bytes of the SHA256 hash value.

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation formats:

- ALG KEY RSA 2048 RAW
- ALG\_KEY\_RSA\_2048\_DER

#### NOTE

Implementers should verify that their implementation of the PKCS#1 V1.5 signature follows the recommendations in [RFC3218] to protect against adaptive chosen-ciphertext attacks such as Bleichenbacher.

## ALG\_SIGN\_RSA\_EMSA\_PKCS1\_SHA256\_DER 0x0009

DER [ITU-X690-2008] encoded OCTET STRING (not BIT STRING!) containing the EMSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 signature as defined in [RFC3447]. This means that the encoded message EM will be the input to the cryptographic signing algorithm RSASP1 as defined in [RFC3447]. The result s of RSASP1 is then encoded using function I2OSP to produce the raw signature. The raw signature is DER [ITU-X690-2008] encoded as an OCTET STRING to produce the final signature octets.

- EM =  $0x00 \mid 0x01 \mid PS \mid 0x00 \mid T$
- with the padding string PS with length=emLen tLen 3 octets having the value 0xff for each octet, e.g. (0x) ff ff ff ff ff ff
- with the DER encoded DigestInfo value T:(0x)30 31 30 0d 06 09 60 86 48 01

65 03 04 02 01 05 00 04 20 | H, where H denotes the bytes of the SHA256 hash value.

This algorithm is suitable for authenticators using the following key representation formats:

- ALG\_KEY\_RSA\_2048\_RAW
- ALG\_KEY\_RSA\_2048\_DER

### **NOTE**

Implementers should verify that their implementation of the PKCS#1 V1.5 signature follows the recommendations in [RFC3218] to protect against adaptive chosen-ciphertext attacks such as Bleichenbacher.

# 3.6.2 Public Key Representation Formats

The ALG\_KEY constants are 16 bit long integers indicating the specific Public Key algorithm and encoding.

### NOTE

FIDO UAF supports RAW and DER encodings in order to allow small footprint authenticator implementations. By definition, the authenticator must encode the public key as part of the registration assertion.

#### ALG KEY ECC X962 RAW 0x0100

Raw ANSI X9.62 formatted Elliptic Curve public key [SEC1].

I.e. [0x04, X (32 bytes), Y (32 bytes)]. Where the byte 0x04 denotes the uncompressed point compression method.

#### ALG KEY ECC X962 DER 0x0101

DER [ITU-X690-2008] encoded ANSI X.9.62 formatted SubjectPublicKeyInfo [RFC5480] specifying an elliptic curve public key.

I.e. a DER encoded <u>SubjectPublicKeyInfo</u> as defined in [RFC5480].

Authenticator implementations must generate namedCurve in the ECParameters Object which is included in the AlgorithmIdentifier. A FIDO UAF Servermust accept namedCurve in the ECParameters Object which is included in the AlgorithmIdentifier.

#### ALG KEY RSA 2048 RAW 0x0102

Raw encoded 2048-bit RSA public key RFC3447].

That is, [n (256 bytes), e (N-256 bytes)]. Where N is the total length of the field.

This total length should be taken from the object containing this key, e.g. the TLV encoded field.

### ALG\_KEY\_RSA\_2048\_DER 0x0103

ASN.1 DER [ITU-X690-2008] encoded 2048-bit RSA [RFC3447] public key [RFC4055].

That is a DER encoded sequence { n INTEGER, e INTEGER }.

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# **Abstract**

This document defines all the strings and constants reserved by UAF protocols. The values defined in this document are referenced by various UAF specifications.

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# 1. Notation

Type names, attribute names and element names are written ascode.

String literals are enclosed in "", e.g. "UAF-TLV".

In formulas we use "I" to denote byte wise concatenation operations.

# 1.1 Key Words

The key words "must", "must not", "required", "shall", "shall not", "should", "should not", "recommended", "may", and "optional" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

# 2. Introduction

This document is the FIDO Alliance glossary of normative technical terms.

This document is not an exhaustive compendium of all FIDO technical terminology because the FIDO terminology is built upon existing terminology. Thus many terms that are commonly used within this context are not listed. They may be found in the glossaries/documents/specifications referenced in the bibliography. Terms defined here that are not attributed to other glossaries/documents/specifications are being defined here.

This glossary is expected to evolve along with the FIDO Alliance specifications and documents.

# 3. Definitions

#### **AAID**

Authenticator Attestation ID. See Attestation ID.

# **Application**

A set of functionality provided by a common entity (the application owner, aka the Relying Party), and perceived by the user as belonging together.

# **Application Facet**

An (application) facet is how an application is implemented on various platforms. For example, the application MyBank may have an Android app, an iOS app, and a Web app. These are all facets of the MyBank application.

# **Application Facet ID**

A platform-specific identifier (URI) for an application facet.

- For Web applications, the facet id is the RFC6454 origin RFC6454].
- For Android applications, the facet id is the URI android:apk-key-hash<a href="hash-of-apk-signing-cert">hash-of-apk-signing-cert</a>
- For iOS, the facet id is the URI ios:bundle-id:ios-bundle-id-of-app>

# **AppID**

The AppID is an identifier for a set of different Facets of a relying party's application. The AppID is a URL pointing to the TrustedFacets, i.e. list of FacetIDs related to this AppID.

### **Attestation**

In the FIDO context, attestation is how Authenticators make claims to a Relying Party that the keys they generate, and/or certain measurements they report, originate from genuine devices with certified characteristics.

#### **Attestation Certificate**

A public key certificate related to an Attestation Key.

## **Authenticator Attestation ID / AAID**

A unique identifier assigned to a model, class or batch of FIDO Authenticators that all share the same characteristics, and which a Relying Party can use to look up an Attestation Public Key and Authenticator Metadata for the device.

# Attestation [Public / Private] Key

A key used for FIDO Authenticator attestation.

### **Attestation Root Certificate**

A root certificate explicitly trusted by the FIDO Alliance, to which Attestation Certificates chain to.

### **Authentication**

Authentication is the process in which user employs their FIDO Authenticator to prove possession of a registered key to a relying party.

## **Authentication Algorithm**

The combination of signature and hash algorithms used for authenticator-to-relying party authentication.

### **Authentication Scheme**

The combination of an Authentication Algorithm with a message syntax or framing that is used by an Authenticator when constructing a response.

## **Authenticator**, Author

See FIDO Authenticator.

## **Authenticator**, 1stF / First Factor

A FIDO Authenticator that transactionally provides a username and at least two authentication factors: cryptographic key material (something you have) plus user verification (something you know / something you are) and so can be used by itself to complete an authentication.

It is assumed that these authenticators have an internal matcher. The matcher is able to verify an already enrolled user. If there is more than one user enrolled – the matcher is also able to identify the right user.

Examples of such authenticator is a biometric sensor or a PIN based verification. Authenticators which only verify presence, such as a physical button, or perform no verification at all, cannot act as a first-factor authenticator.

## Authenticator, 2ndF / Second Factor

A FIDO Authenticator which acts only as a second factor. Second-factor authenticators always require a single key handle to be provided before responding to a sign command. They might or might not have a user verification method. It is assumed that these authenticators may or may not have an internal matcher.

#### Authenticator Attestation

The process of communicating a cryptographic assertion to a relying party that a key presented during authenticator registration was created and protected by a genuine authenticator with verified characteristics.

### **Authenticator Metadata**

Verified information about the characteristics of a certified authenticator, associated with an AAID and available from the FIDO Alliance. FIDO Servers are expected to have access to up-to-date metadata to be able to interact with a given authenticator.

### **Authenticator Policy**

A JSON data structure that allows a relying party to communicate to a FIDO Client the capabilities or specific authenticators that are allowed or disallowed for use in a given operation.

### **ASM / Authenticator Specific Module**

Software associated with a FIDO Authenticator that provides a uniform interface between the hardware and FIDO Client software.

### AV

**ASM Version** 

### **Bound Authenticator**

A FIDO Authenticator or combination of authenticator and ASM, which uses an access control mechanism to restrict the use of registered keys to trusted FIDO Clients and/or trusted FIDO User Devices. Compare to a *Roaming Authenticator*.

# Certificate

An X.509v3 certificate defined by the profile specified in RFC5280] and its successors.

### **Channel Binding**

See: [RFC5056], [RFC5929] and [ChannelID]. A channel binding allows applications to establish that the two end-points of a secure channel at one network layer are the same as at a higher layer by binding authentication to the higher layer to the channel at the lower layer.

#### Client

This term is used "in context", and may refer to a FIDO UAF Client or some other type of client, e.g. a TLS client. See FIDO Client.

# **Confused Deputy Problem**

A confused deputy is a computer program that is innocently fooled by some other party into misusing its authority. It is a specific type of privilege escalation.

### **Correlation Handle**

Any piece of information that may allow, in the context of FIDO protocols, implicit or explicit association and or attribution of multiple actions, believed by the user to be distinct and unrelated, back to a single unique entity. An example of a correlation handle outside of the FIDO context is a client certificate used in traditional TLS mutual authentication: because it sends the same data to multiple Relying Parties, they can therefore collude to uniquely identify and track the user across unrelated activities. [AnonTerminology]

# **Deregistration**

A phase of a FIDO protocol in which a Relying Party tells a FIDO Authenticator to forget a specified piece of (or all) locally managed key material associated with a specific Relying Party account, in case such keys are no longer considered valid by the Relying Party.

## **Discovery**

A phase of a FIDO protocol in which a Relying Party is able to determine the availability of FIDO capabilities at the client's device, including metadata about the available authenticators.

# E(K,D)

Denotes the Encryption of data D with key K

### **ECDAA**

Elliptic Curve based Direct Anonymous Attestation. ECDAA is an attestation scheme alternative to FIDO Basic Attestation. It is an improved Direct Anonymous Attestation scheme based on elliptic curves and bilinear pairings. Direct Anonymous Attestation schemes use individual private keys in the Authenticator while avoiding global correlation handles. ECDAA provides significantly improved performance compared with the original DAA scheme. FIDO ECDAA [FIDOEcdaaAlgorithm] defines object encodings, pairing friendly curves etc. in order to lead to interoperable ECDAA implementations across different FIDO Servers and FIDO Authenticators.

### **ECDSA**

Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm, as defined by ANSI X9.62 ECDSA-ANSI].

### **Enrollment**

The process of making a user known to an authenticator. This might be a biometric enrollment as defined in [NSTCBiometrics] or involve processes such as taking

ownership of, and setting a PIN or password for, a non-biometric cryptographic storage device. Enrollment may happen as part of a FIDO protocol ceremony, or it may happen outside of the FIDO context for multi-purpose authenticators.

### **Facet**

See Application Facet

#### Facet ID

See Application Facet ID

### **FIDO Authenticator**

An authentication entity that meets the FIDO Alliance's requirements and which has related metadata.

A FIDO Authenticator is responsible for user verification, and maintaining the cryptographic material required for the relying party authentication.

It is important to note that a FIDO Authenticator is only considered such for, and in relation to, its participation in FIDO Alliance protocols. Because the FIDO Alliance aims to utilize a diversity of existing and future hardware, many devices used for FIDO may have other primary or secondary uses. To the extent that a device is used for non-FIDO purposes such as local operating system login or network login with non-FIDO protocols, it is not considered a FIDO Authenticator and its operation in such modes is *not* subject to FIDO Alliance guidelines or restrictions, including those related to security and privacy.

A FIDO Authenticator may be referred to as simply an authenticator or abbreviated as "authnr". Important distinctions in an authenticator's capabilities and user experience may be experienced depending on whether it is a roaming or bound authenticator, and whether it is a first-factor, or second-factor authenticator.

It is assumed by registration assertion schemes that the authenticator has exclusive control over the data being signed by the attestation key.

Authenticators specify in the Metadata Statement whether they have exclusive control over the data being signed by the <code>Uauth key</code>.

### **FIDO Client**

This is the software entity processing the UAF or U2F protocol messages on the FIDO User Device. FIDO Clients may take one of two forms:

- A software component implemented in a user agent (either web browser or native application).
- A standalone piece of software shared by several user agents. (web browsers or native applications).

### FIDO Data / FIDO Information

Any information gathered or created as part of completing a FIDO transaction. This includes but is not limited to, biometric measurements of or reference data for the user and FIDO transaction history.

### **FIDO Server**

Server software typically deployed in the relying party's infrastructure that meets UAF protocol server requirements.

### **FIDO UAF Client**

See FIDO Client.

#### **FIDO User Device**

The computing device where the FIDO Client operates, and from which the user initiates an action that utilizes FIDO.

### **Key Identifier (KeyID)**

The KeyID is an opaque identifier for a key registered by an authenticator with a FIDO Server, for first-factor authenticators. It is used in concert with an AAID to identify a particular authenticator that holds the necessary key. Thus key identifiers must be unique within the scope of an AAID.

One possible implementation is that the KeyID is the SHA256 hash of the KeyHandle managed by the ASM.

# **KeyHandle**

A key container created by a FIDO Authenticator, containing a private key and (optionally) other data (such as Username). A key handle may be wrapped (encrypted with a key known only to the authenticator) or unwrapped. In the unwrapped form it is referred to as a *raw key handle*. Second-factor authenticators must retrieve their key handles from the relying party to function. First-factor authenticators manage the storage of their own key handles, either internally (for roaming authenticators) or via the associated ASM (for bound authenticators).

# **Key Registration**

The process of securely establishing a key between FIDO Server and FIDO Authenticator.

# KeyRegistrationData (KRD)

A <u>KeyRegistrationData</u> object is created and returned by an authenticator as the result of the authenticator's <u>Register</u> command. The KRD object contains items such as the authenticator's AAID, the newly generated UAuth.pub key, as well as other authenticator-specific information such as algorithms used by the authenticator for performing cryptographic operations, and counter values. The KRD object is signed using the authenticator's attestation private key.

# **KHAccessToken**

A secret value that acts as a guard for authenticator commands. KHAccessTokens are generated and provided by an ASM.

### Matcher

A component of a FIDO Authenticator which is able to perform (local) user verification, e.g. biometric comparison [ISOBiometrics], PIN verification, etc.

#### **Matcher Protections**

The security mechanisms that an authenticator may use to protect the matcher component.

### Persona

All relevant data stored in an authenticator (e.g. cryptographic keys) are related to a single "persona" (e.g. "business" or "personal" persona). Some administrative interface (not standardized by FIDO) provided by the authenticator may allow maintenance and switching of personas.

The user can switch to the "Personal" Persona and register new accounts. After switching back to the "Business" Persona, these accounts will not be recognized by the authenticator (until the User switches back to "Personal" Persona again).

This mechanism may be used to provide an additional measure of privacy to the user, where the user wishes to use the same authenticator in multiple contexts, without allowing correlation via the authenticator across those contexts.

### **PersonalD**

An identifier provided by an ASM, PersonalD is used to associate different registrations. It can be used to create virtual identities on a single authenticator, for example to differentiate "personal" and "business" accounts. PersonalDs can be used to manage privacy settings on the authenticator.

### **Reference Data**

A (biometric) reference data (also called template) is a digital reference of distinct characteristics that have been extracted from a biometric sample. Biometric reference data is used during the biometric user verification process [ISOBiometrics]. Non-biometric reference data is used in conjunction with PIN-based user verification.

# Registration

A FIDO protocol operation in which a user generates and associates new key material with an account at the Relying Party, subject to policy set by the server, and acceptable attestation that the authenticator and registration matches that policy.

# **Registration Scheme**

The registration scheme defines how the authentication key is being exchanged between the FIDO Server and the FIDO Authenticator.

# **Relying Party**

A web site or other entity that uses a FIDO protocol to directly authenticate users (i.e., performs peer-entity authentication). Note that if FIDO is composed with federated identity management protocols (e.g., SAML, OpenID Connect, etc.), the identity provider will also be playing the role of a FIDO Relying Party.

# **Roaming Authenticator**

A FIDO Authenticator configured to move between different FIDO Clients and FIDO User Devices lacking an established trust relationship by:

- 1. Using only its own internal storage for registrations
- 2. Allowing registered keys to be employed without access control mechanisms at the API layer. (Roaming authenticators still may perform user verification.)

Compare to Bound Authenticator.

### **S(K, D)**

Signing of data D with key K

# Server Challenge

A random value provided by the FIDO Server in the UAF protocol requests.

### Sign Counter

A monotonically increasing counter maintained by the Authenticator. It is increased on every use of the UAuth.priv key. This value can be used by the FIDO Server to detect cloned authenticators.

### SignedData

A signedData Object is created and returned by an authenticator as the result of the authenticator's sign command. The to-be-signed data input to the signature operation is represented in the returned SignedData object as intact values or as hashed values. The SignedData object also contains general information about the authenticator and its mode, a nonce, information about authenticator-specific cryptographic algorithms, and a use counter. The signedData object is signed using a relying party-specific UAuth.priv key.

### **Silent Authenticator**

FIDO Authenticator that does not prompt the user or perform any user verification.

# **Step-up Authentication**

An authentication which is performed on top of an already authenticated session.

Example: The user authenticates the session initially using a username and password, and the web site later requests a FIDO authentication on top of this authenticated session.

One reason for requesting step-up authenication could be a request for a high value resource.

FIDO U2F is always used as a step-up authentication. FIDO UAF could be used as step-up authentication, but it could also be used as an initial authentication mechanism.

Note: In general, there is no implication that the step-up authentication method itself is "stronger" than the initial authentication. Since the step-up authentication is performed on top of an existing authentication, the resulting combined authentication strength will increase most likely, but it will never decrease.

# **Template**

See reference data.

#### **Test of User Presence**

See User Presence Check

### **TLS**

**Transport Layer Security** 

#### Token

In FIDO U2F, the term Token is often used to mean what is called an authenticator in UAF. Also, note that other uses of "token", e.g. KHAccessToken, User Verification Token, etc., are separately distinct. If they are not explicitly defined, their meaning needs to be determined from context.

### **Transaction Confirmation**

An operation in the FIDO protocol that allows a relying party to request that a FIDO Client, and authenticator with the appropriate capabilities, display some information to the user, request that the user authenticate locally to their FIDO Authenticator to confirm the information, and provide proof-of-possession of previously registered key material and an attestation of the confirmation back to the relying party.

# **Transaction Confirmation Display**

This is a feature of FIDO Authenticators able to show content of a message to a user, and protect the integrity of this message. It could be implemented using the GlobalPlatform specified TrustedUI [TEESecureDisplay].

#### **TrustedFacets**

The data structure holding a list of trusted FacetIDs. The AppID is used to retrieve this data structure.

### **TTEXT**

Transaction Text, i.e. text to be confirmed in the case of transaction confirmation.

# Type-length-value/tag-length-value (TLV)

A mechanism for encoding data such that the type, length and value of the data are given. Typically, the type and length data fields are of a fixed size. This format offers some advantages over other data encoding mechanisms, that make it suitable for some of the FIDO UAF protocols.

# **Universal Second Factor (U2F)**

The FIDO protocol and family of authenticators which enable a cloud service to offer its users the options of using an easy—to—use, strongly—secure open standards—based second-factor device for authentication. The protocol relies on the server to know the (expected) user before triggering the authentication.

# **Universal Authentication Framework (UAF)**

. The FIDO Protocol and family of authenticators which enable a service to offer its users flexible and interoperable authentication. This protocol allows triggering the authentication before the server knows the user.

### **UAF Client**

See FIDO Client.

## UAuth.pub / UAuth.priv / UAuth.key

User authentication keys generated by FIDO Authenticator. UAuth.pub is the public part of key pair. UAuth.priv is the private part of the key. UAuth.key is the more generic notation to refer to UAuth.priv.

### **UINT8**

An 8 bit (1 byte) unsigned integer.

### UINT16

A 16 bit (2 bytes) unsigned integer.

### UINT32

A 32 bit (4 bytes) unsigned integer.

#### **UPV**

**UAF Protocol Version** 

## User

Relying party's user, and owner of the FIDO Authenticator.

### **User Agent**

The user agent is a client application that is acting on behalf of a user in a client-server system. Examples of user agents include web browsers and mobile apps.

#### **User Presence Check**

The User Presence check in the authenticator verifies that some user is present at the authenticator and agrees with a generic authentication operation.

### **User Verification**

The process by which a FIDO Authenticator locally authorizes use of key material, for example through a touch, pin code, fingerprint match or other biometric.

#### **User Verification Token**

The user verification token is generated by Authenticator and handed to the ASM after successful user verification. Without having this token, the ASM cannot invoke special commands such as Register or Sign.

The lifecycle of the user verification token is managed by the authenticator. The concrete techniques for generating such a token and managing its lifecycle are vendor-specific and non-normative.

### **Username**

A human-readable string identifying a user's account at a relying party.

#### **Verification Factor**

The specific means by which local user verification is accomplished. e.g. fingerprint, voiceprint, or PIN.

This is also known as modality.

# Web Application, Client-Side

The portion of a relying party application built on the "Open Web Platform" which executes in the context of the user agent. When the term "Web Application" appears unqualified or without specific context in FIDO documents, it generally refers to either the client-side portion or the combination of both client-side and server-side pieces of such an application.

# Web Application, Server-Side

The portion of a relying party application that executes on the web server, and responds to HTTP requests. When the term "Web Application" appears unqualified or without specific context in FIDO documents, it generally refers to either the client-side portion or the combination of both client-side and server-side pieces of such an application.

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