

Other Security Updates

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Outline



- TD PRs, Merged
 - Combination Scheme (PR 944)
 - OAuth2.0 Flows (PR 927)
- TD PRs, Deferred
 - Simplified Inline Security Definitions (PR 945)
 - Signed TDs with LD-Proofs (PR 943)
- Security and Privacy Guidelines
 - End-to-End Security Discussion
- Use Cases
 - Review of Use Cases (eg Retail, based on Conexxus Security Checklist)

Combo Scheme: Situation and Problems



Situation in TD 1.0:

- Array of security definition names are allowed in the "security" field
- Multiple names are combined with "AND"
- "OR" must be done by having multiple "forms"

• Problems:

- "AND" interpretation is inconsistent with OpenAPI
- "OR" leads to redundant "forms" with duplicate non-security information

Use Case for AND:

 Proxies having one scheme, endpoint having another

Use Case for OR:

- Endpoints and/or proxies can allow different authentication/authorization options
- Use Case for AND/OR combination:
 - Proxy allowing multiple schemes and endpoint also allowing multiple (potentially different) schemes

Combo Scheme



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- Syntax follows that used by JSON Schema
- Examples in TD 1.1 spec (right).

AND (allOf) Combination

```
"securityDefinitions": {
 "proxy_sc": {
    "scheme": "digest",
   "proxy": "https://portal.example.com/"
  "bearer sc": {
   "scheme": "bearer",
   "in":"header",
   "format": "jwt",
   "alg": "ES256",
    "authorization":
      "https://servient.example.com:8443/"
  "combo sc": {
   "scheme": "combo",
   "allOf": ["proxy sc", "bearer sc"]
"security": "combo sc",
```

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OR (oneOf) Combination

```
"securityDefinitions": {
  "basic sc": {
    "scheme": "basic"
  "digest_sc": {
    "scheme": "digest"
  "bearer sc": {
    "scheme": "bearer"
  },
  "combo sc": {
    "scheme": "combo",
    "oneOf": [
      "basic sc",
      "digest_sc",
      "bearer sc"
"security": "combo_sc",
```





- In simple use cases the need for separate "securityDefinitions" and "security" activations is annoying
- Making up a name just to use it once is annoying
- This PR allows a SecurityScheme object to be given instead of a string in a "security" field
- Unfortunately, breaks compatibility, so deferred to 2.0

Currently, must do:

```
"securityDefinitions": {
    "basic_sc": {
        "scheme": "basic"
},
"security": "basic_sc",
```

This PR would *also* allow:

```
"security": {
   "scheme": "basic"
}
```

Use of Combo with Inline Definitions



- If "combo" is made the default for "scheme",
- and we also extend the arguments to "allOf" and "oneOf" in the combo scheme to also allows objects consistently,
- then a simple syntax is enabled for inline AND/OR Combinations

```
"security": {
  "allOf": |
      "scheme": "digest",
      "proxy": "https://portal.example.com/"
      "scheme": "bearer",
"security":
   "oneOf":
      { "scheme": "basic_sc" },
      { "scheme": "digest_sc" },
      { "scheme": "bearer_sc" }
```

Signing TDs and LD-PROOFS



- Signing TDs to prevent/detect tampering would be useful
- DID previously included a "proof" and "proofChain"
- LD-PROOF needs canonicalization of JSON-LD for RDF round-tripping
 - Unfortunately method not finalized
 - But it sounds like it might be soon
 - Currently deferred...
- Could use "plain" JWS signing instead
 - but it would be a nuisance for RDF-based directories

```
"proof": {
   "type": "Ed25519Signature2018",
   "proofPurpose": "assertionMethod",
   "created": "2017-09-23T20:21:34Z",
   "verificationMethod":
       "did:example:123456#key1",
   "challenge":
       "2bbgh3dgjg2302d-d2b3gi423d42",
   "domain": "example.org",
   "jws": "eyJ0eXAi0iJK...gFWF0EjXk"
}
```