

SKS (Secure Key Store) API and Architecture

Disclaimer. This is a system in development. That is, the specification may change without notice. However, it should still give you a good insight in the "Cloud" Token concept. Feedback is encouraged!

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Introduction

This document describes the API (Application Programming Interface) and architecture of a system called SKS (Secure Key Store). SKS is essentially an enhanced smart card that is optimized for *secure*, *reliable*, and *user-friendly on-line provisioning* and *life-cycle management* of cryptographic keys and associated attributes.

In addition to PKI and symmetric keys (including OTP applications), SKS also supports recent additions to the credential family tree like Information Cards.

The primary objective with SKS and the related specifications is *establishing two-factor authentication as a viable alternative for any provider* by making the scheme a standard feature in the "Universal Client", the Internet browser.

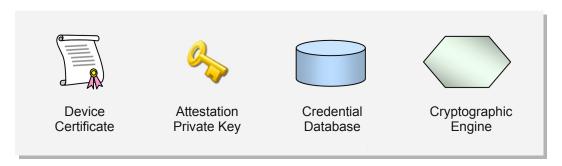
An equally important means for reaching this undeniable bold goal, is that the API and protocols mandate full "on-the-wire" compliance in order to eliminate the current "Smart Card Middleware Hell"; a single driver per platform should suffice.

Could *existing* smart card users also benefit from an upgraded token technology? Yes, the new ways of working, like *virtual organizations*, doesn't make the current distribution scheme "Come and get your card" particularly useful.

For maintaining a link to the world of legacy authentication an SKS may also serve as a "Password Vault".

Architecture

Below is a picture showing the core components in the SKS architecture:



The *Device Certificate* forms together with a matching *Attestation Private Key* the foundation for the session mechanism that facilitates secure provisioning of keys, also when the provisioning middleware and network are non-secure.

The *Credential Database* holds keys and other data that is related to keys such as protection and extension objects. It also keeps the provisioning state.

The *Cryptographic Engine* performs in addition to standard cryptographic operations on private and secret keys, the core of the provisioning operations which from an API point-of-view are considerably more complex than the former.

A vital part of the *Cryptographic Engine* is a high quality random number generator since the integrity of the entire provisioning scheme is relying on this.

All operations inside of an SKS are supposed to be protected from tampering by malicious external entities but the degree of *internal* protection may vary depending on the environment that the SKS is running in. That is, an SKS housed in a smart card which may be inserted in an arbitrary computer must keep all data within its protected memory, while an SKS that is an integral part of a mobile phone processor *may* store credential data in the same external Flash memory where programs are stored, but sealed by a CPU-resident "Master Key".

Provisioning API

Although SKS may be regarded as a "component", it actually comprises of three associated pieces: The KeyGen2 protocol, the SKS architecture, and the provisioning API described in this document. These items are *tightly matched* to form the foundation for *secure* and *interoperable* ecosystems for provisioning and managing cryptographic keys.

One of the core features of the SKS Provisioning API is enabling independent issuers to securely *share* a single "Key Ring". The rationale for this is mainly to support mobile phones with embedded "Trusted Hardware", but it appears that the already quite popular USB memory sticks augmented with SKS functionality would be a realistic product offering if they could deal with a potentially large chunk of a consumer's authentication hassles on the Internet.

Backward Compatibility

A question that arises is of course how compatible the SKS <u>Provisioning API</u> is with respect to existing protocols, APIs, and smart cards. The answer is simply: NOT AT ALL due to the fact that current schemes do *generally* not support secure on-line provisioning and key life-cycle management directly towards end-users.

In fact, smart cards are almost exclusively personalized by more or less proprietary software under the supervision of card administrators or performed in automated production facilities. It is evident that (at least) mobile phones need a scheme that is more consistent with the on-line paradigm since SIM-cards due to operator-bindings do not scale particularly well.

"On the Internet anybody can be an operator of something"

Note: unlike 7816-compatible smart cards, an SKS exposes no visible file system, only objects.

Although the lack of compatibility with the current state-of-the-art ("nothing"), may be regarded as a major short-coming, the good news is that SKS by separating key provisioning from actual usage, *does neither require applications nor cryptographic APIs to be rewritten*. See next section.

User API

In this document "User API" refers to operations that are required by security applications like TLS client-certificate authentication, S/MIME, and Kerberos (PKINIT).

The User API is not a core SKS facility but its implementation is anyway **recommended**, particularly for SKSes that are featured in "connected" containers such as smart cards since smart card middleware has proved to be a major stumbling block for wide-spread adoption of PKI cards for consumers.

The described User API is fully mappable to the subset of CryptoAPI, PKCS #11, and JCE that the majority of current PKI-using applications rely on.

The standard User API does not utilize authenticated sessions like featured in TPM 1.2 because this is a *local security option*, which is independent of the *network centric* Provisioning API.

If another User API is used the only requirement is that the key objects created by the provisioning API, are compatible with the former.

Security Model

Since the primary target for SKS is authentication to arbitrary service providers on the Internet, the security model is quite different to traditional multi-application card schemes like Global Platform. In practical terms this means that it is the *user* who grants an issuer the right to create keys in the SKS. That is, there are no preconfigured "Security Domains".

However, an issuer may during a provisioning session define a VSD (Virtual Security Domain) which enables *post provisioning* (*update*) *operations* by the issuer, while cryptographically shielding provisioned data from similar actions by *other* issuers.

When using KeyGen2 the grant operation is performed through a GUI dialog triggered by an issuer request, which in turn is the result of the user browsing to an issuer-related web address.

The SKS itself only trusts inbound data that can securely be derived from a session key created in the initial phase of a provisioning session. See createProvisioningSession.

The session key scheme is conceptually similar to Global Platform's SCP (Secure Channel Protocol) but details differ because KeyGen2 uses an on-the-wire XML format requiring encoding/decoding by the middleware, rather than raw APDUs.

Regarding who trusts an SKS, this is effectively up to each issuer to decide and may be established anytime during an enrollment procedure. Trust in an SKS can be highly granular like only accepting requests from preregistered units or be fully open ended where any SKS complaint device is accepted. A potentially useful issuer policy would be specifying a set of endorsed SKS brands, presumably meeting some generally recognized certification level like EAL5.

Many smart card schemes depend on roles like SO (Security Officer) which squarely matches scenarios where users are associated with a *multitude of independent service providers*. By building on an E2ES (End To End Security) model, the *technical* part of the SO role, exclusively becomes an affair between the SKS and the *remote* issuers, *where each issuer is confined to their own virtual cards and SO policies*.

Also see Security Considerations.

Transaction Based Operation

An important characteristic for maintaining integrity and robustness is that provisioning and management operations either succeed or leave the system intact. This is in SKS accomplished by *deferring* the actual execution of container-modifying operations until the terminating closeProvisioningSession call.

Ideally an SKS container should be able dealing with power-failures regardless when they occur.

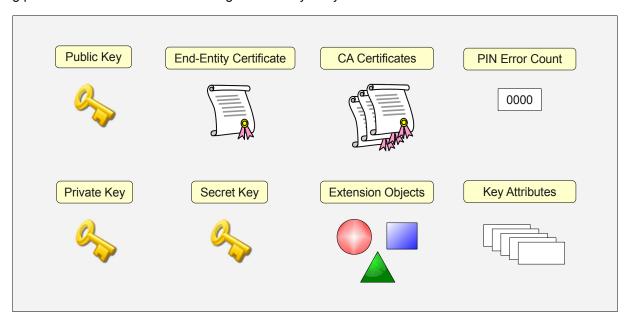
Objects

The SKS API (as well as its companion protocol KeyGen2), assumes that objects are arranged in a specific fashion in order to work. At the heart of the system there are the typical cryptographic keys intended for user authentication, signing etc., but also dedicated keys supporting life-cycle management and of user keys and attributes.

All provisioned user keys, including symmetric dittos (see setSymmetricKey), are identified by X.509 certificates. The reason for this somewhat unusual arrangement is that this enables *universal key IDs* as well as secure remote object management by independent issuers. See Remote Key Lookup.

Key Entries

The following picture shows the elements forming an SKS key entry:

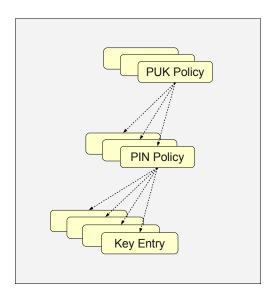


Element	Description		
Public Key	Public part of the key-pair created by createKeyEntry		
Private Key	Private part of the key-pair created by createKeyEntry		
End-Entity Certificate	X.509 certificate set by the <i>mandatory</i> call to setCertificatePath		
Secret Key	Optional secret key defined by calling setSymmetricKey		
CA Certificates	Optional X.509 CA certificates defined during the call to setCertificatePath		
Extension Objects	Optional extension objects defined by calling addExtension		
PIN Error Count	Counter associated by keys protected by a PIN policy object. See createPINPolicy		
Key Attributes	Attributes defined during the call to createKeyEntry		

Note that key management operations always involve an entire key entry; individual elements cannot be managed.

Key Protection Objects

Keys can *optionally* be protected by PIN-codes ("passphrases"). PIN-protected keys maintain separate PIN error counters, but a single PIN policy object may govern multiple keys. A PIN policy and its associated keys can in turn be supplemented by an optional PUK (PIN Unlock Key) policy object that can be used to reset error-counters that have passed the limit as defined by the PIN policy. Below is an illustration of the SKS protection object hierarchy:



For the creation of protection objects, see createPUKPolicy, createPINPolicy and createKeyEntry.

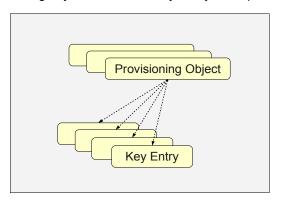
For an example how KeyGen2 deals with this structure, see KeyCreationRequest.

Note that the set of keys bound to a particular PIN policy object "owns" the PIN policy object which means that when the *last* key of such a set has been deleted, the PIN policy object itself **must** be *automatically* deleted (by pp_deleteKey and deleteKey). The very same principle is also valid for PUK policy objects. Due to this there are no specific PIN or PUK delete methods.

An SKS may also support a device (system-wide) PIN and PUK. See getDeviceInfo. Management of device PINs and PUKs is out of scope for the SKS API.

Provisioning Objects

The following picture shows how provisioning objects "own" the keys they have provisioned:



For detailed information concerning the contents of a provisioning object see createProvisioningSession.

Note that when the *last* key owned by a provisioning object has been deleted, the provisioning object itself **must** be *automatically* deleted (by closeProvisioningSession and deleteKey).

If a KeyManagementKey is deployed during provisioning object creation (establishing a VSD), *post-provisioning operations* can also be performed. See pp_deleteKey, pp_uplockKey, pp_updateKey, and pp_cloneKeyProtection.

Algorithm Support

Algorithm support in SKS **must** as a *minimum* include the following items:

URI

http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.aes.cbc.pkcs5

http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#hmac-sha256

Symmetric Key Encryption		
http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#aes128-cbc		
http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#aes192-cbc	See XML Encryption. Note that IV must be internally generated as well as prepended to encrypted data	
http://www.w3.org/2001/04/ymlenc#aes256-chc	goriorated as well as proported to energical data	

Description

See FIPS 197. Support for 128, 192, and 256-bit keys

http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.aes.ecb.nopad	200 Fit 2 107. Support for 120, 102, and 200 bit holy	
HMAC Operations		
http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#hmac-sha1	See HMAC-SHA1	

See HMAC-SHA256

Asymmetric Key Encryption		
http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#rsa-1_5	See XML Encryption	Dograntian made only
http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.rsa.raw	Non-padded RSA operation	Decryption mode only

Diffie-Hellman Key Agreement		
http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.ecdh	See SP800-56A ECC CDH primitive (Section 5.7.1.2)	

Asymmetric Key Signatures		
http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#rsa-sha1		
http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#rsa-sha256	See XML Signature	Signing mode only
http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#ecdsa-sha256		
http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.rsa.none	See signHashedData	
http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.ecdsa.none		

Elliptic Curves		
urn:oid:1.2.840.10045.3.1.7	Also known as "P-256". See FIPS 186-3	

Special Algorithms		
http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.sks.s1	See createProvisioningSession	
http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.sks.k1	See createKeyEntry	
http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.none	See createKeyEntry and setSymmetricKey	

Supported algorithms can be acquired by calling getDeviceInfo which also lists RSA key generation capabilities which must include 1024 and 2048 bit keys.

Key Protection Attributes

The following section describes the attributes issuers need to set for defining suitable key protection policies. Also see getKeyProtectionInfo, PrivateKeyBackup, KeyManagementKey, DevicePINProtection, and EnablePINCaching.

During provisioning of *user defined PINs*, the provisioning middleware **should** maintain the PIN policy and optionally ask the user to create another PIN if there is a policy mismatch because **createKeyEntry must** return an error and abort the entire session if fed with incorrect data.

In addition to protection policies, a key **may** also be constrained with respect to algorithm usage. See EndorsedAlgorithms.

Key Export

The following table illustrates the use of the ExportProtection attribute:

KeyGen2 Name	Value	Description
none	0x00	No authorization needed for exporting the key
pin	0x01	Correct PIN is required
puk	0x02	Correct PUK is required
non-exportable	0x03	The key must not be exported

Also see exportKey.

Key Delete

The following table illustrates the use of the DeleteProtection attribute:

KeyGen2 Name	Value	Description
none	0x00	No delete restrictions apply
pin	0x01	Correct PIN is required
puk	0x02	Correct PUK is required
non-deletable	0x03	The key must not be deleted

Also see deleteKey.

PIN Input Methods

The InputMethod policy attribute tells how PINs should be inputted to the SKS according to the following table:

KeyGen2 Name	Value	Description
programmatic	0x01	PINs should only be given through the SKS User API
trusted-gui	0x02 Keys should only be used through a trusted G actual PIN request and API invocation	
any	0x03	No restrictions

Note that this policy attribute requires that the middleware is "cooperative" to be enforced.

PIN Patterns

The PatternRestrictions policy attribute specifies how PINs must be designed according to the following table:

KeyGen2 Name	Value	Description	
two-in-a-row	0x01	Flags 1124 as invalid	
three-in-a-row	0x02	Flags 1114 as invalid	
sequence	0x04	Flags 1234, 9876, etc as <i>invalid</i>	
repeated	0x08	All PIN bytes must be unique	
missing-group	0x10	The PIN format must be alphanumeric or string and contain a mix of <i>letters</i> and <i>digits</i> . The string format also requires <i>lowercase</i> letters and <i>non-alphanumeric</i> characters. See PIN and PUK Formats	

Note that the PatternRestrictions byte actually holds a *set of bits*. That is, 0x00 means that there are no pattern restrictions, while 0x06 imposes two constraints. Also note that pattern policy checking is supposed to be applied at the *binary* level which has implications for the binary PIN format (see PIN and PUK Formats).

For organizations having very strict or unusual requirements on PIN patterns, it is **recommended** letting the user define PINs during enrollment in a web application and then deploy issuer-set PIN codes during provisioning.

PIN and PUK Formats

PINs and PUKs **must** adhere to one of formats described in the following table:

KeyGen2 Name	Value	Description	
numeric	0x00	0 - 9	
alphanumeric	0x01	0 - 9, A - Z	
string	0x02	Any valid UTF-8 string	
binary	0x03	Binary value, typically issued as hexadecimal data	

Note that format specifiers only deal with how PINs and PUKs are treated in GUIs; internally and in the SKS API, key protection data **must** always be handled as *decoded* strings of bytes. A conforming SKS **must** perform syntax validation during createKeyEntry on numeric and alphanumeric PIN data. Length of the clear-text binary value **must not** exceed 128 bytes. See Format attribute in createPINPolicy and createPUKPolicy.

PIN Grouping

A PIN policy object may govern multiple keys. The Grouping policy attribute (which is intimately linked to the Key Application Usage scheme), controls how PINs to the different keys relate to each other according to the following table:

KeyGen2 Name	Value	Description	
none	0x00	No restrictions	
shared	0x01	All keys share the same PIN (synchronized)	
Signature+Stangarg DYD/ '		Keys with AppUsage = signature share a common PIN while all other keys share another PIN (synchronized)	
unique	0x03	All four AppUsage types must have different PINs while keys with the same AppUsage share a common PIN (synchronized)	

Note that keys having a shared PIN groping attribute **must** be treated as having a single virtual PIN error counter, while signature+standard implies two separate error counters. "Synchronized" means that a PIN value or status change **must** propagate to all keys sharing the PIN.

Key Application Usage

The AppUsage attribute specifies what applications keys are intended for according to the following table:

KeyGen2 Name	Value	Description	
signature	0x00	The key should only be used in signature applications like S/MIME	
authentication	0x01	The key should only be used in applications like TLS client certificate authentication and login to AD (Active Directory)	
encryption	0x02	The key should only be used in encryption applications	
universal	0x03	There are no restrictions on key usage	

Enforcement of AppUsage is up to each application to perform.

Note that AppUsage **must not** constrain a key's *internal* use of cryptographic algorithms in any way, because for that purpose there is the EndorsedAlgorithm mechanism.

Although AppUsage could be be regarded as a duplication of the X.509 key usage and extended key usage attributes the latter have proved hard to use as "filters" to certificate selection GUIs. AppUsage is also applicable for other credentials like OTPs (One Time Passwords) and Information Cards.

However, an equally important target for AppUsage is that in conjunction with PIN Grouping provide the means for aiding users in PIN input GUIs in the case an issuer requires separate PINs for different keys and applications.

The following matrix shows the recommended interpretation of PIN GUI "hints":

PIN Grouping	signature	authentication	encryption	universal
none	PIN	PIN	PIN	PIN
shared	PIN	PIN	PIN	PIN
signature+standard	Signature PIN	PIN	PIN	PIN
unique	Signature PIN	Authentication PIN	Encryption PIN	PIN

For this scheme to work a prerequisite is (of course) that the middleware is specifically adapted for SKS.

Biometric Protection

An SKS **may** also support using biometric data as an alternative to PINs. See getDeviceInfo. The following table shows the biometric protection options as defined by the BiometricProtection policy attribute:

KeyGen2 Name	Value	Description	
none	0x00	No biometric protection	
alternative	0x01	The key may be authorized with a PIN or by biometrics	
combined	0x02	The key is protected by a PIN and by biometrics	
exclusive	0x03	The key is only protected by biometrics	

Note that there is no API support for biometric authentication, such information is typically provided through GPIO (General Purpose Input Output) ports between the biometric sensor and the SKS. The type of biometrics used is outside the scope of SKS and is usually established during enrollment.

The biometric protection option is only intended to be applied to User API methods like signHashedData.

Data Types

The table below shows the data types used by the SKS API. Note that multi-byte integers **must** be stored in big-endian fashion whenever they are *serialized* like in MAC operations. Also see Method List.

Туре	Length	Description
byte	1	Unsigned byte (0 - 0xFF)
bool	1	Byte containing 0x01 (true) or 0x00 (false)
short	2	Unsigned two-byte integer (0 - 0xFFFF)
int	4	Unsigned four-byte integer (0 - 0xFFFFFFF)
byte[]	2 + length	Array of bytes with a leading "short" holding the length of the data
blob	4 + length	Long array of bytes with a leading "int" holding the length of the data
id	2 + length	Special form of byte[] which must contain an 1-32 byte string according to the XML Schema data type <i>NCName</i> but restricted to: a-z A-Z 0-9 . _ -
uri	2 + length	UTF-8 encoded byte[] array which must not exceed 1000 bytes

If an array is followed by a number in brackets (byte[32]) it means that the array **must** be exactly of that length.

Variables and literals that represent textual data **must** be UTF-8 encoded and *not* include terminating null characters; they are in this specification considered equivalent to byte[].

Note that length indicators are only applicable to array objects when included in MAC operations, or when they are serialized.

Method List

This section provides a list of the SKS methods. The number in parenthesis denotes the *decimal* value used to identify the method in a call. Method calls are formatted as strings of bytes where the first byte holds the method ID and the succeeding bytes the applicable argument data. User API methods have method IDs \geq 100.

Note: The described API is adapted for an SKS using low-level byte-streams for communication. However, the SKS design is equally applicable to API schemes using high-level objects and exceptions. The only thing that **must** remain intact are the cryptographic operations including how objects are represented in MACs.

Note that a KeyHandle in this specification always refers to a key entry. See Key Entries.

Return Values

All methods return a single-byte status code. In case the status is <> 0 there is an error and any expected succeeding values **must not** be read as they are not supposed to be available. Instead there **must** be a second return value containing a UTF-8 encoded description in *English* to be used for logging and debugging purposes as shown below:

Name	Type	Description	
Status	byte	Non-zero (error) value	
ErrorString	byte[]	A human-readable error description	

Error Codes

The following table shows the standard SKS error-codes:

Name	Value	Description
ERROR_AUTHORIZATION	0x01	Non-fatal error returned when there is something wrong with a supplied PIN or PUK code. See getKeyProtectionInfo
ERROR_NOT_ALLOWED	0x02	Operation is not allowed
ERROR_STORAGE	0x03	No persistent storage available for the operation
ERROR_MAC	0x04	MAC does not match supplied data
ERROR_CRYPTO	0x05	Various cryptographic errors
ERROR_NO_SESSION	0x06	Provisioning session not found
ERROR_NO_KEY	0x07	Key not found
ERROR_ALGORITHM	0x08	Unknown or non-matching algorithm
ERROR_OPTION	0x09	Invalid or unsupported option
ERROR_INTERNAL	0x0A	Internal error

getDeviceInfo (1)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
This method does not have any input arguments		

Output

Name	Туре	Description	
Status	byte	See Return Values	
APILevel	short	0x0001 => Applies to this API specification	
UpdateURL	uri	URL pointing to a firmware update center or if not applicable a zero length array	
VendorName	byte[]	1-128 byte string holding the name of the vendor	
VendorDescription	byte[]	1-128 byte string holding a vendor description of the SKS device	
PathLength	byte	Non-zero value holding the number of x509Certificate objects	
X509Certificate	byte[]	DER encoded X.509 certificate object repeated as defined by PathLength	
Algorithms	short	Non-zero value holding the number of Algorithm objects	
Algorithm	uri	Algorithm URI repeated as defined by Algorithms. See Algorithm Support	
RSAExponentSupport	bool	True if the issuer may specify an <i>explicit</i> exponent value. See createKeyEntry	
RSAKeySizes	byte	Non-zero value holding the number of RSAKeySize objects	
RSAKeySize	short	Holds an RSA key size in <i>bits</i> and is <i>repeated</i> as defined by RSAKeySizes. See Algorithm Support	
CryptoDataSize	int	Maximum number of bytes in the Data argument of cryptographic methods	
ExtensionDataSize	int	Maximum size of ExtensionData objects	
DevicePINSupport	bool	True if the SKS supports a device PIN. See createKeyEntry	
BiometricSupport	bool	True if the SKS supports biometric authentication options. See Biometric Protection	

getDeviceData lists the core characteristics of an SKS which is used by provisioning schemes like KeyGen2.

The x509Certificate objects must form an *ordered* and *contiguous* certificate path so that the *first* object contains the actual SKS Device Certificate. The path does though not have to be complete (include all upper-level CAs).

RSAKeySizes must be specified in ascending order.

A compliant SKS must support ExtensionData objects with a size of at least 65536 bytes.

A compliant SKS **must** support a **CryptoDataSize** of at least 16384 bytes.

For ECC key generation see Elliptic Curves.

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Input

Name	Туре	Description
Algorithm	uri	Session creation algorithm URI. See next page
ServerSessionID	id	Server-created provisioning ID which should be unique for each session
ServerEphemeralKey	byte[]	Server-created ephemeral ECDH key. See ServerEphemeralKey
IssuerURI	uri	URI associated with the issuer. See IssuerURI
KeyManagementKey	byte[]	Key management key or zero length array. See KeyManagementKey
ClientTime	int	Locally acquired time in UNIX "epoch" format in seconds. See ClientTime
SessionLifeTime	int	Validity of the provisioning session in seconds
SessionKeyLimit	short	Upper limit of SessionKey operations. See SessionKeyLimit

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
ClientSessionID	id	SKS-created provisioning ID which must be unique for each session
ClientEphemeralKey	byte[]	SKS-created ephemeral ECDH key. See ClientEphemeralKey
Attestation	byte[]	Session creation attestation signature
ProvisioningHandle	int	Non-zero local handle to created provisioning session

createProvisioningSession establishes a persistent session key that is only known by the issuer and the SKS for usage in subsequent provisioning steps. In addition, the SKS is optionally authenticated by the issuer.

Shown below is the mandatory to support SKS session key creation algorithm:

http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.sks.s1

- Generate a for this SKS unique ClientSessionID
- Output ClientSessionID
- Generate an ephemeral ECDH key-pair EKP using the same named curve as ServerEphemeralKey
- Output ClientEphemeralKey = EKP.PublicKey
- Apply the SP800-56A ECC CDH primitive on EKP.PrivateKey and ServerEphemeralKey creating a shared secret z
- Define internal variable: byte[32] SessionKey
- Set SessionKey = HMAC-SHA256 (z, ClientSessionID || // KDF (Key Derivation Function)

 ServerSessionID ||

 IssuerURI ||

 Device Certificate)
- Output Attestation = Sign (Attestation Private Key, // See Architecture

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HMAC-SHA256 (SessionKey, Algorithm ||
ServerEphemeralKey ||
EKP.PublicKey ||
KeyManagementKey ||
ClientTime ||
SessionLifeTime ||
SessionKeyLimit))
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- Define internal variable: short MACSequenceCounter and set it to zero
- Store SessionKey, MACSequenceCounter, ClientSessionID, ServerSessionID, IssuerURI, KeyManagementKey, ClientTime, SessionLifeTime and SessionKeyLimit in the Credential Database and return a handle to the database entry in ProvisioningHandle
- Output ProvisioningHandle

Note that individual elements featured in the *argument* (e.g. ClientSessionID) to the HMAC operations **must** be represented as described in Data Types.

Creation of a session key is an atomic operation.

Remarks

If any succeeding operation in the same provisioning session, is regarded as incorrect by the SKS, the session **must** be terminated and removed from internal storage including all associated data created in the session.

An SKS should only constrain the number of simultaneous sessions due to lack of storage.

A provisioning session **should not** be terminated due to power down of an SKS.

Algorithm defines the creation of SessionKey but also the integrity, confidentiality, and attestation mechanisms used during the provisioning session. See Session Security Mechanisms.

Using KeyGen2 IssuerURI is the URL to which the result of this method is POSTed.

ServerEphemeralKey and ClientEphemeralKey must be in X.509 DER format and must match the Elliptic Curves capabilities given by getDeviceInfo.

The *Sign* function **must** use PKCS #1 RSASSA signatures for RSA keys and ECDSA for ECC keys with SHA256 as the hash function. The distinction between RSA and ECDSA keys is performed through the Device Certificate (see getDeviceInfo) which in KeyGen2 is supplied as well as a part of the response to the issuer.

ProvisioningHandle must be static, unique and never be reused.

When ClientTime is transferred through a protocol such as KeyGen2 it must always as a *minimum* have seconds resolution otherwise serious interoperability issues will occur. Possible milliseconds must though be *truncated* during the HMAC calculation.

The SessionKeyLimit attribute must be large enough to handle all SessionKey related operations required during the rest of the provisioning session, otherwise the session must be terminated. See Session Security Mechanisms. Note that methods like setSymmetricKey and pp_deleteKey actually use two SessionKey operations.

A KeyManagementKey must be supplied if provisioned objects should be updatable in a future session (see pp_deleteKey, pp_unlockKey, pp_updateKey, and pp_cloneKeyProtection), else this item must be a zero-length array.

A KeyManagementKey must either be an RSA or an ECDSA public key in X.509 DER format, compatible with the SKS Algorithm Support.

On the server side the following **should** be performed:

Server Response Validation

- Decide if DeviceCertificatePath of ProvisioningInitializationResponse is to be accepted/trusted.
- Run the the same SP800-56A procedure and KDF as for the SKS but now using ClientEphemeralKey and the saved private key of ServerEphemeralKey to obtain SessionKey

```
• VerifySignature (Device Certificate.PublicKey,
                                                                            // Received
                Attestation,
                                                                            // Received
                HMAC-SHA256 (SessionKey, Algorithm |
                                                                            // Saved
                                                                            // Saved
                                             ServerEphemeralKey |
                                                                            // Received
                                             ClientEphemeralKey |
                                                                            // Saved
                                             KeyManagementKey ||
                                             ClientTime |
                                                                            // Received
                                                                            // Saved
                                             SessionLifeTime |
                                             SessionKeyLimit))
                                                                            // Saved
```

If all tests above succeed the issuer server may continue with the actual provisioning process.

When using KeyGen2 the *input* to createProvisioningSession is expressed as shown in the fragment below:

```
<ProvisioningInitializationRequest ID=" 0fa47ab3c00c ... a67992b6ac61c"</p>
                               SubmitURL="https://ca.example.com/enroll"
                               SessionLifeTime="50000"
                               SessionKeyLimit="25"
                               Algorithm="http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.sks.s1" ... >
  <ServerEphemeralKey>
    <ds11:ECKeyValue>
      <ds11:NamedCurve URI="urn:oid:1.2.840.10045.3.1.7"/>
      <ds11:PublicKey>JK/mSALhBpUjjPAe/ ... fXG8z17eZV3mVDZTBM</ds11:PublicKey>
    </ds11:ECKeyValue>
  </ServerEphemeralKey>
  <KeyManagementKey>
    <ds:RSAKeyValue>
      <ds:Modulus>ALhBpUjJK/mSjPAe/ ... fXG8z1V3mVDZTBM7eZ</ds:Modulus>
      <ds:Exponent>AQAB</ds:Exponent>
    </ds:RSAKeyValue>
  </KeyManagementKey>
</ProvisioningInitializationRequest>
```

Note: The KeyManagementKey element is optional.

The table below illustrates argument mapping:

KeyGen2 Element	SKS Counterpart
ProvisioningInitializationRequest@ID	ServerSessionID
ProvisioningInitializationRequest@SubmitURL	IssuerURI
ProvisioningInitializationRequest@SessionLifeTime	SessionLifeTime
ProvisioningInitializationRequest@SessionKeyLimit	SessionKeyLimit
ProvisioningInitializationRequest@Algorithm	Algorithm
ServerEphemeralKey/ECKeyValue	ServerEphemeralKey
KeyManagementKey	KeyManagementKey
N/A - Gathered by the local provisioning middleware	ClientTime

When using KeyGen2 the output from createProvisioningSession is translated as shown in the fragment below:

```
<ProvisioningInitializationResponse ID="_126992b6 ... a8a6b484db8f"</p>
                                ServerSessionID=" 0fa47ab3c00c ... a67992b6ac61c"
                                ClientTime="2010-03-18T11:23:29Z"
                                ServerCertificateFingerprint="AvDWx6xbg3GDGzdz ... yJk8Js0Oul+Ba/Xc8="
                                Attestation="Ob7MvaXC/rNx/rkNZJEo ... 8lch/6snglszfpElrggQfl" ... >
  <ClientEphemeralKey>
    <ds11:ECKeyValue>
      <ds11:NamedCurve URI="urn:oid:1.2.840.10045.3.1.7"/>
      <ds11:PublicKey>PRZre90SQLp ... 16m9FokKxV3F40Y=</ds11:PublicKey>
    </ds11:ECKeyValue>
  </ClientEphemeralKey>
  <DeviceCertificatePath>
    <ds:X509Data>
      <ds:X509Certificate>MIIC2TCCAcGgAwIBAg ... hugc53W4nNzggt2w==</ds:X509Certificate>
    </ds:X509Data>
  </DeviceCertificatePath>
  <ds:Signature>
    <ds:SignedInfo>
      <ds:CanonicalizationMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/10/xml-exc-c14n#"/>
      <ds:SignatureMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#hmac-sha256"/>
      <ds:Reference URI="# 126992b6 ... a8a6b484db8f">
         <ds:Transforms>
           <ds:Transform Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#enveloped-signature"/>
           <ds:Transform Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/10/xml-exc-c14n#"/>
         </ds:Transforms>
         <ds:DigestMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#sha256"/>
         <ds:DigestValue>yLD0zNA48Xt9xXNHuBUIK0hL51zn0SYj2lfDXm42PLc=</ds:DigestValue>
      </ds:Reference>
    </ds:SignedInfo>
    <ds:SignatureValue>aRiSdmrn/KgtjqtTReF+6DOulemRuw2xV9yuOPAIMj8=</ds:SignatureValue>
    <ds:KeyInfo>
      <ds:KeyName>derived-session-key</ds:KeyName>
    </ds:KeyInfo>
  </ds:Signature>
</ProvisioningInitializationResponse>
```

The table below illustrates mapping:

KeyGen2 Element	SKS Counterpart
ProvisioningInitializationResponse@ID	ClientSessionID
ProvisioningInitializationResponse@ServerSessionID	Input.ServerSessionID
ProvisioningInitializationResponse@ClientTime	Input.ClientTime
ProvisioningInitializationResponse@Attestation	Attestation
ClientEphemeralKey/ECKeyValue	ClientEphemeralKey
DeviceCertificatePath/X509Data/X509Certificate	Certificate path from getDeviceInfo
Signature/SignatureValue	Created with signProvisioningSessionData

Apart from needed for verifying the Attestation signature the DeviceCertificatePath identifies the SKS. The Signature element holds a standard WC3 enveloped XML Signature. Also see Security Considerations.

closeProvisioningSession (3)

Input

Name	Type	Description
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an open provisioning session
Nonce	byte[]	Server generated 1-32 byte nonce value
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
Attestation	byte[32]	Session termination attestation signature. See Attestations

closeProvisioningSession terminates a provisioning session and returns a proof of successful operation to the issuer. However, success status **must** only be returned if *all* of the following conditions are valid:

- There is an open provisioning session associated with ProvisioningHandle
- The MAC computes correctly using the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

Data = ClientSessionID || ServerSessionID || IssuerURI || Nonce

- All generated keys are fully provisioned which means that matching public key certificates have been deployed.
 See setCertificatePath
- EndorsedAlgorithm URIs match the provisioned key material with respect to symmetric or asymmetric operations as well as to length. Asymmetric keys are also tested for RSA and ECC algorithm compliance
- There are no unreferenced PIN or PUK policy objects. See createPUKPolicy and createPINPolicy
- The post provisioning operations succeed during the final commit. See Transaction Based Operation

If verification is successful, closeProvisioningSession must also reassign provisioning session ownership to the current (closing) session for all objects belonging to sessions that have been subject to a post provisioning operation. The original session objects must subsequently be deleted since they have no mission anymore. Also see Provisioning Objects.

If verification fails, *all* objects created in the session **must** be deleted and post provisioning operations **must** be rolled back.

When a provisioning session has been successfully closed by this method, it remains stored until all associated keys have been deleted.

Using KeyGen2 closeProvisioningSession is invoked as the last step of processing ProvisioningFinalizationRequest where the top element holds the associated MAC and Nonce attributes.

The Attestation object is created by attesting the following Data:

Data = Input.MAC || createProvisioningSession.Input.Algorithm

Also see SessionKeyLimit.

A successful KeyGen2 response would typically look like:

enumerateProvisioningSessions (4)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
ProvisioningHandle	int	Input enumeration handle
ProvisioningState	bool	If true list only open provisioning sessions. If false list only closed dittos

Output

Name	Туре	Description	
Status	byte	See Return Values	
ProvisioningHandle	int	Output enumeration handle	
The following	The following elements must be set to zero if the output ProvisioningHandle = 0		
KeyManagementKey	byte[]	See createProvisioningSession	
ClientTime	int		
SessionLifeTime	int		
ServerSessionID	id		
ClientSessionID	id		
IssuerURI	uri		

enumerateProvisioningSessions is primarily intended to be used by provisioning middleware for retrieving handles to *open* provisioning sessions in sessions that are interrupted due to a certification process or similar.

In addition, users of portable SKSes (like smart cards), may carry out provisioning steps on *different* computers through this method.

enumerateProvisioningSessions may also be useful for debugging and "cleaning" purposes.

The input ProvisioningHandle is initially set to 0 to start an enumeration round.

Succeeding calls should use the output ProvisioningHandle as input to the next call.

When enumerateProvisioningSessions returns with a ProvisioningHandle = 0 there are no more provisioning objects to read.

abortProvisioningSession (5)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an open provisioning session

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

abortProvisioningSession is intended to be used by provisioning middleware if an unrecoverable error occurs in the communication with the issuer, or if a user cancels a session. If there is a matching and still *open* provisioning session, all associated data **must** be removed from the SKS, otherwise an error **must** be returned.

signProvisioningSessionData (6)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an open provisioning session
Data	byte[]	Data to be signed

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
Result	byte[32]	Signed data

signProvisioningSessionData signs arbitrary data that is supplied by the provisioning middleware.

The purpose of signProvisioningSessionData is adding data integrity to provisioning messages from clients to issuers.

The signature scheme is as follows:

Result = HMAC-SHA256 (SessionKey || "External Signature", Data)

Note that Data must be used "as is" in the HMAC operation, excluding length information.

A *relying party* **must** distinguish between such signatures and Attestations since only the latter are actually vouched for by the SKS.

Also see SessionKeyLimit.

createPUKPolicy (7)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an open provisioning session
ID	id	External name of the PUK policy object. See Object IDs
PUKValue	byte[]	Encrypted PUK value. See Encrypted Data
Format	byte	Format of PUK strings. See PIN and PUK Formats
RetryLimit	short	Number of incorrect PUK values (<i>in a sequence</i>), forcing the PUK object to permanently lock up. A zero value indicates that there is no limit but that the SKS will introduce an <i>internal</i> 1-10 second delay <i>before</i> acting on an unlock operation in order to thwart exhaustive attacks
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
PUKPolicyHandle	int	Non-zero handle to created PUK policy object

createPUKPolicy creates a PUK policy object in the Credential Database to be referenced by subsequent calls to the createPINPolicy method.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

Data = ID || PUKValue || Format || RetryLimit

Note that PUKValue is MACed in encrypted form and then decrypted by the SKS before storing.

The purpose of a PUK is to facilitate a master key for unlocking keys that have locked-up due to faulty PIN entries. See unlockKey.

PUK policy objects are not directly addressable after provisioning; in order to read PUK policy data, you need to use an associated key handle as input. See getKeyProtectionInfo.

createPINPolicy (8)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an open provisioning session
ID	id	External name of the PIN policy object. See Object IDs
PUKPolicyHandle	int	Handle to a governing PUK policy object or zero
UserDefined	bool	True if PINs belonging to keys governed by the PIN policy are supposed to be set by the user or by the issuer. See PINValue
UserModifiable	bool	True if PINs can be changed by the user after provisioning
Format	byte	Format of PIN strings. See PIN and PUK Formats
RetryLimit	short	Non-zero value holding the number of incorrect PIN values (in a sequence), forcing a key to lock up
Grouping	byte	See PIN Grouping
PatternRestrictions	byte	See PIN Patterns
MinLength	short	Minimum decoded PIN length in bytes. See PIN and PUK Formats
MaxLength	short	Maximum decoded PIN length in bytes. See PIN and PUK Formats
InputMethod	byte	See PIN Input Methods
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
PINPolicyHandle	int	Non-zero handle to created PIN policy object

createPINPolicy creates a PIN policy object in the Credential Database to be referenced by subsequent calls to the createKeyEntry method.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

Data = ID || PUKReference || UserDefined || UserModifiable || Format || RetryLimit || Grouping || PatternRestrictions || MinLength || MaxLength || InputMethod

PUKReference is set to "#N/A" if PUKPolicyHandle is zero, else it is set to the ID of the referenced PUK policy object.

If PUKPolicyHandle is zero no PUK is associated with the PIN policy object.

PIN policy objects are not directly addressable after provisioning; in order to read PIN policy data, you need to use an associated key handle as input. See getKeyProtectionInfo.

createKeyEntry (9)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an open provisioning session
ID	id	External name of the key. See Object IDs
Algorithm	uri	Key generation and attestation algorithm URI. See next page
ServerSeed	byte[32]	Server input to the random number generation process. See ServerSeed
DevicePINProtection	bool	True if the key is to be protected by a device pin. See Key Protection Objects
PINPolicyHandle	int	Handle to a governing PIN policy object or zero. See createPINPolicy
PINValue	byte[]	See PINValue, PIN Patterns and PIN Grouping
EnablePINCaching	bool	True if middleware may cache PINs for this key
BiometricProtection	byte	See Biometric Protection
ExportProtection	byte	See Key Export
DeleteProtection	byte	See Key Delete
AppUsage	byte	See Key Application Usage
FriendlyName	byte[]	String of 0-128 bytes that will be associated with this key for use in GUIs
PrivateKeyBackup	bool	True if the generated private key is to be output in PrivateKey for backup by the issuer
KeySpecifier	byte[]	Algorithm and length of key to be created. See KeySpecifier
EndorsedAlgorithms	byte	Value [0255] holding the number of EndorsedAlgorithm URIs
EndorsedAlgorithm	uri	Endorsed algorithm URI repeated as defined by EndorsedAlgorithms
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation

Output

Name	Type	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
KeyHandle	int	Non-zero local handle to created key entry
PublicKey	byte[]	Generated public key in X.509 DER representation
Attestation	byte[]	See Attestation
PrivateKey	byte[]	Optional: Encrypted generated private key. See PrivateKey

createKeyEntry generates an asymmetric key-pair according to the issuer's specification. In addition, createKeyEntry creates a key entry (see Key Entries) in the Credential Database where the key-pair and its protection attributes are stored.

The following operations match the mandatory to support key generation and attestation algorithm:

http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.sks.k1

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

PINPolicyReference is set to "#Device PIN" if DevicePINProtection is true, to "#N/A" if PINPolicyHandle is zero, else it is set to the ID of the referenced PIN policy object.

PINValueReference is set to "#n/A" if PINPolicyHandle is Zero, Or if DevicePINProtection is true, or if the PIN is UserDefined, else it is set to the encrypted PINValue.

KeySpecifier denotes a blob encoded as follows depending on the requested key algorithm:

RSA				
byte	Type of key to be generated: 0x00 = RSA			
short	RSA key size in bits. See getDeviceInfo			
int	Zero (use default) or a defined exponent. See getDeviceInfo			

	ECDSA/ECDH
byte	Type of key to be generated: 0x01 = ECC
uri	Curve name URI where the URI is stored without length indicator. See Elliptic Curves

Attestation vouches for that generated key-pairs actually reside in the SKS by attesting (see Attestations) keys according to the following *Data* scheme:

Data = ID || PublicKey [|| PrivateKey]

Note that the encrypted PrivateKey must only be used in the attestation Data if actually emitted.

Remarks

KeyHandle must be static, unique and never be reused. Note that a KeyHandle returned by createKeyEntry must not be featured in User API operations until the associated provisioning session has been closed (see closeProvisioningSession).

Object IDs for createKeyEntry, createPINPolicy and createPUKPolicy share a common namespace but the namespace is entirely local to the *provisioning session*. Although only static identifiers are used in the examples, Object IDs *may be randomized* to increase entropy of MAC Operations.

A compliant SKS **should** use 65537 as the default RSA exponent value.

How ServerSeed is applied to the random number generation process is *unspecified*. The only requirement is that it **must not** be able to *reduce* the entropy.

A non-zero BiometricProtection value presumes that the target SKS supports Biometric Protection, otherwise an *error* **must be** returned. See getDeviceInfo.

The PrivateKey element must only be supplied if PrivateKeyBackup is true. If PrivateKey is present it must hold the generated private key in PKCS #8 format but wrapped as described in Encrypted Data.

EndorsedAlgorithm URIs must be sorted in ascending alphabetical order before calling createKeyEntry.

EndorsedAlgorithm URIs must be checked for compatibility with Algorithm Support.

EndorsedAlgorithm compliance must be enforced by the User API.

EndorsedAlgorithm URIs must not be checked against actual key material during createKeyEntry. This check must be deferred to closeProvisioningSession.

If no EndorsedAlgorithm URIs are specified, the key is only constrained by the key material.

With the special algorithm http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.none (which is only permitted as a single EndorsedAlgorithm item), keys must be disabled from executing cryptographic operations through the User API.

A set **DevicePINProtection** presumes that the target SKS supports a "device PUK/PIN", otherwise an *error* **must** be returned. The characteristics of device PINs are out of scope for the SKS specification. See getDeviceInfo.

DevicePINProtection must not be combined with local PIN policy objects.

PINValue objects must be set by the caller as illustrated by the following pseudo code:

The following XML extract shows a typical key generation (initialization) request in KeyGen2:

This sequence should be interpreted as a request for an ECC key and an RSA key where both keys are protected by a single (shared) user-defined (within the specified policy limits) PIN. The PIN is in turn governed by an issuer-defined, *protocol wise secret* PUK. In addition, private key backup was requested for the RSA key.

In the sample KeyGen2 default values have been utilized which is why there are few visible key generation attributes.

When using KeyGen2 the output from createKeyEntry is translated as shown in the fragment below:

A conforming server **must** after receival of the response verify that the number and IDs of returned keys match the request. In addition, each returned key **must** be checked for correctness regarding attestation data and that the generated public key actually complies with that of the request.

getKeyHandle (10)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an <i>open</i> provisioning session
ID	id	See createKeyEntry

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to a key belonging to an open provisioning session

getKeyHandle returns a KeyHandle based on the provisioning session specific key ID.

An invalid key **must** return an error and abort the provisioning session.

setCertificatePath (11)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to a key-pair belonging to an open provisioning session
PathLength	byte	Non-zero value holding the number of x509Certificate objects in the call
X509Certificate	byte[]	DER encoded X.509 certificate object repeated as defined by PathLength
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

setCertificatePath attaches an X.509 certificate path to an already created key-pair. See createKeyEntry.

The x509Certificate objects must form an *ordered* and *contiguous* certificate path so that the *first* object contains the End-Entity Certificate *usually* holding the public key of the target key-pair. The path does though not have to be complete (include all upper-level CAs). Path validity **should** be verified by the provisioning middleware before calling this method.

Individual X509Certificate objects must not exceed CryptoDataSize.

Note that an SKS **must not** not attempt to verify that the End-Entity Certificate and KeyHandle.PublicKey match because that would disable the restorePrivateKey method. It is the MAC operation that is facilitating a cryptographically verifiable binding between the certificate path and the designated key entry.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

Data = KeyHandle.PublicKey | KeyHandle.ID | X509Certificate...

Although *not recommended for serious deployments*, a compliant SKS **must** accept multiple key entries being associated by the same End-Entity Certificate.

The provisioning middleware **should** verify that the public key of the **End-Entity Certificate** matches the algorithmic capabilities of the SKS. See Algorithm Support.

The following KeyGen2 fragment shows its interaction with setCertificatePath:

The table below illustrates argument mapping:

KeyGen2 Element	SKS Counterpart
CertficatePath@ID	KeyHandle.ID
CertficatePath@MAC	MAC
CertficatePath/X509Data/X509Certificate	X509Certificate

The owning ProvisioningHandle and local KeyHandle can be retrieved by calling enumerateProvisioningSessions and getKeyHandle respectively. The request attributes ProvisioningFinalizationRequest@ClientSessionID and ProvisioningFinalizationRequest@ID hold the ClientSessionID and ServerSessionID of the provisioning session.

setSymmetricKey (12)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to a key belonging to an open provisioning session
SymmetricKey	byte[]	"Piggybacked" symmetric key encrypted as described in Encrypted Data
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

setSymmetricKey imports and links a symmetric key to an already created key-pair and certificate.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

Data = End-Entity Certificate || SymmetricKey

Note that **SymmetricKey** objects **must be** MACed in *encrypted form* and *then* decrypted by the SKS before storing. Symmetric keys **must not** exceed 128 bytes.

With the special EndorsedAlgorithm http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.none arbitrary static shared secrets can be specified. When used together with exportKey, a suitable PIN policy and a PropertyBag object holding site information, an SKS could then also serve as a *browser password store*.

After setSymmetricKey has been called the key entry is marked as "symmetric". That is, the private key is disabled as well as all operations associated with it. See getKeyAttributes.

The following KeyGen2 fragments show the "piggyback" arrangement. First the server issues a key-pair request:

The request above is identical to requests for PKI except for the *optional* EndorsedAlgorithm declaration which in the sample limited symmetric key operations to HMAC-SHA1.

After the request the client generates a compatible key-pair response which is identical to that of PKI:

The server then responds with the usual certificated public key plus an encrypted "piggybacked" symmetric key:

For details on how to map keys and sessions, see setCertificatePath.

Note that the X.509 certificate serves as a universal key ID. That is, SKS treats asymmetric and symmetric keys close to identically.

addExtension (13)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to a key belonging to an open provisioning session
Туре	uri	Type URI. Holds a unique name identifying the extension type
SubType	byte	See table below
Qualifier	byte[]	See table below
ExtensionData	blob	Extension object. Regarding size constraints see getDeviceInfo
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

addExtension adds attribute (extension) data to an already created key-pair and certificate.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

Data = End-Entity Certificate | Type | SubType | Qualifier | ExtensionData

The following table shows SubType, Qualifier and ExtensionData mapping using KeyGen2:

KeyGen2 Element	SubType	Qualifier	ExtensionData
Extension	0x00	N/A Binary data extracted from Base64 encoded XML	
EncryptedExtension	0x01	N/A Encrypted binary data extracted from Base64 encoded X	
PropertyBag	0x02	N/A	See PropertyBag canonicalization
Logotype	0x03	MimeType	Binary image data extracted from Base64 encoded XML

Remarks

N/A = zero-length array.

Note the handling of the EncryptedExtension: ExtensionData which is encrypted as described in Encrypted Data must be MACed in *encrypted form* and *then* decrypted by the SKS before storing.

A compliant SKS **must not** allow a given key to be associated with multiple extensions of the same **Type**. If multiple objects of the same type are needed, you must define a container type holding these.

Type URIs do not have to be recognized by the SKS, since they are intended for interpretation by external applications.

Although not a part of the current SKS specification, an extension *could* be created for consumption by the SKS only, like downloaded JavaCard code. In that case the associated extension **Type** URI **must** be featured in the SKS *supported* algorithm list. See getDeviceInfo and getExtension.

Qualifier objects must not exceed 128 bytes.

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The simplified XML schema extract below describes the KeyGen2 representation of PropertyBag objects:

```
PropertyBag XML Schema
<xs:element name="PropertyBag">
 <xs:complexType>
   <xs:sequence>
     <xs:element name="Property" maxOccurs="unbounded">
       <xs:complexType>
        <!-- The unique name of the property -->
        <xs:attribute name="Name" use="required"/>
          <xs:simpleType>
            <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
              <xs:minLength value="1"/>
              <xs:maxLength value="100"/>
            </xs:restriction>
          </xs:simpleType>
        </xs:attribute>
        <!-- The value of the property -->
        <xs:attribute name="Value" type="xs:string" use="required"/>
        <!-- By default values are read-only but they may be declared as read/writable as well -->
        <xs:attribute name="Writable" type="xs:boolean" use="optional"/>
       </xs:complexType>
     </xs:element>
   </xs:sequence>
   <!-- Extension type -->
   <xs:attribute name="Type" type="xs:anyURI" use="required"/>
   <!-- MAC (Message Authentication Code) -->
   <xs:attribute name="MAC" type="xs:base64Binary" use="required"/>
 </xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
```

A PropertyBag must be converted to a binary blob before storage in SKS and MACing according to the following:

• Each Property is translated into a composite object consisting of the following attributes and transformed representation:

Name	Writable	Value
byte[]	bool	byte[]

See Data Types

The resulting Property Objects are concatenated in the order they occur in the PropertyBag

Note that there are no delimiters added between attributes or objects. The assembled blob holds the actual ExtensionData.

Enforcement of Property name uniqueness may be delegated to the middleware layer. Also see setProperty.

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Below is a KeyGen2 fragment showing an Extension object holding a Base64 encoded Information Card:

For details on how to map keys and sessions, see setCertificatePath.

In the Information Card sample the primary authentication key (for authenticating to the IDP), would preferable be the PKI key associated by CertificatePath. That is, the issuance of a managed Information Card and its primary key can be fully synchronized making both usage and middleware design straightforward.

The following is a KeyGen2 sample showing the PropertyBag and Logotype objects added to a symmetric key for usage by a HOTP application:

```
<ProvisioningFinalizationRequest ClientSessionID=" 126992b6 ... a8a6b484db8f"</p>
                               ID=" 0fa47ab3c00c ... a67992b6ac61c"
                               MAC="GcaqnRxW ... 8kabXDgWr=" Nonce="aqnPb6x0 ... kms34gfW2=" ... >
  <CertficatePath ID="Key.1" MAC="ngSgmRuPE ... HIFWrM421wY=">
    <ds:X509Data>
       <ds:X509Certificate>MIIC2TCCAcGgAwlBAgS ... NRT+VokJJsBecyALgeT0Dw==</ds:X509Certificate>
    </ds:X509Data>
    <SymmetricKey MAC="je7KiznTll ... vInu7rcqcGkl=">vInt09Esmg94v ... YU3tgIdhcNNby</SymmetricKey>
    <PropertyBag Type="http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#provider.ietf-hotp"</p>
                 MAC="jIOHDgwI4dO7Kzs ... uEH8MtykIS46JfiJ3N=">
      <Property Name="Counter" Value="0" Writable="true"/>
      <Property Name="Digits" Value="8"/>
    </PropertyBag>
    <Logotype MimeType="image/png"</p>
              Type="http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#logotype.application"
              MAC="+crSq5fvfx+f ... ZmRnhxlj0d=">iAAABKCAIAAACD ... tm/AAALjUIEQVRA=</Logotype>
  </CertficatePath>
</ProvisioningFinalizationRequest>
```

A HOTP application would preferably also make the corresponding KeyCreationRequest operation include an endorsement algorithm definition.

restorePrivateKey (14)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to a key belonging to an open provisioning session
PrivateKey	byte[]	Private key in PKCS #8 format wrapped as described in Encrypted Data
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

restorePrivateKey replaces a generated private key with a key supplied by the issuer.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

```
Data = End-Entity Certificate || PrivateKey
```

Note that PrivateKey objects must be MACed in encrypted form and then decrypted by the SKS before storing.

The purpose of restorePrivateKey (preceded by setCertificatePath), is to install a certificate and private key that the issuer has kept a backup of although the certificate may have been renewed (while using the same key). It may also be used to deploy an entirely issuer-generated credential.

The following KeyGen2 fragment shows how credentials that are to be restored should be formatted:

For details on how to map keys and sessions, see setCertificatePath.

pp_deleteKey (50)

Input

Name	Туре	Descriptio	n
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an open provisioning session	ı
TargetKeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key	Con Tanget Vey Deference
Authorization	byte[]	Key management authorization signature	See Target Key Reference
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation	

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

pp_deleteKey deletes a key created in an earlier provisioning session.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

Data = Authorization

A conforming SKS **must** abort the provisioning session if **pp_deleteKey** is mixed with other post provisioning operations referring to the same **TargetKeyHandle**.

Note that the execution of this method **must** be *deferred* to closeProvisioningSession.

Regarding delete of PIN and PUK policy objects, see Key Protection Objects.

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The following fragment shows how pp deletekey operations have been integrated in the KeyGen2 protocol:

Before invoking pp deletekey the provisioning middleware needs to perform a number of steps:

- 1. Find the the *old* provisioning session associated with the ClientSessionID and ServerSessionID attributes of the DeleteKey element by calling enumerateProvisioningSessions.
- 2. Find possible keys by calling enumerateKeys and ignoring all but those belonging to the provisioning session found in step #1.
- 3. For the set of keys found in step #2 call getKeyAttributes while looking for a key having an End-Entity Certificate matching the SHA256 CertificateFingerprint.
- 4. If step #3 is successful TargetKeyHandle is recovered and pp_deleteKey can be invoked.

If any of these steps fail the provisioning session must be aborted. Also see Remote Key Lookup.

pp_unlockKey (51)

Input

Name	Туре	Descriptio	n
ProvisioningHandle	int	Local handle to an open provisioning session	
TargetKeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key	Con Target Vey Deference
Authorization	byte[]	Key management authorization signature	See Target Key Reference
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation	

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

pp_unlockKey works like unlockKey except that authorization is derived from a Target Key Reference instead of a PUK.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where *Data* is arranged as follows:

Data = Authorization

Note that the execution of this method **must** be deferred to closeProvisioningSession and that it **must** (internally) be performed in advance of any pp_updateKey or pp_cloneKeyProtection calls referring to the same **TargetKeyHandle**.

If the target key is associated with a PUK object the PUK error count must be cleared as well.

The following fragment shows how pp unlockKey operations have been integrated in the KeyGen2 protocol:

Before invoking pp unlockKey the provisioning middleware needs to perform the same steps as for pp_deleteKey.

pp_updateKey (52)

Input

Name	Туре	Description	
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to a new key belonging to an op-	pen provisioning session
TargetKeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key	Con Target Vey Deference
Authorization	byte[]	Key management authorization signature	See Target Key Reference
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation	

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

pp updateKey updates (replaces) a key created in an earlier provisioning session.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

```
Data = End-Entity Certificate | Authorization
```

The new key **must** be *fully provisioned* (fitted with a certificate and optional attributes), *before* this method is called. However, the new key **must not** be PIN-protected since it supposed to *inherit* the old key's PIN protection scheme (if there is one). Inheritance does not mean "copying" but *linking* the new key to an existing PIN object. See Key Protection Objects.

The target key and and the new key **must** have identical Key Application Usage.

Note that updating a key involves all related data (see Key Entries), with PIN protection as the only exception.

The KeyHandle of the updated key must after a successful update be set equal to TargetKeyHandle.

A conforming SKS **must** allow a (single) **pp_updateKey** combined with an arbitrary number of **pp_cloneKeyProtection** calls referring to the same **TargetKeyHandle**.

Note that the execution of this method **must** be deferred to closeProvisioningSession.

The following fragment shows how pp updateKey has been integrated in the KeyGen2 protocol:

Before invoking pp_updateKey the provisioning middleware needs to perform the same steps as for pp_deleteKey.

KeyHandle is the handle associated with CertficatePath.

pp_cloneKeyProtection (53)

Input

Name	Type	Descriptio	n
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to a new key belonging to an op-	pen provisioning session
TargetKeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key	Con Target Vey Deference
Authorization	byte[]	Key management authorization signature	See Target Key Reference
MAC	byte[32]	Vouches for the integrity and authenticity of the operation	

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

pp_cloneKeyProtection clones the *protection scheme* of a key created in an earlier provisioning session and applies it to a newly created key.

The MAC uses the method described in MAC Operations where Data is arranged as follows:

Data = End-Entity Certificate || Authorization

The new key **must** be *fully provisioned* (fitted with a certificate and optional attributes), *before* this method is called. However, the new key **must not** be PIN-protected since it supposed to *inherit* the old key's PIN protection scheme (if there is one). Inheritance does not mean "copying" but *linking* the new key to an existing PIN object. See Key Protection Objects.

The target key and and the new key **must** have identical Key Application Usage.

Note that an SKS must not allow inheritance of a custom PIN protection scheme with grouping none (see PIN Grouping).

A conforming SKS must allow multiple pp cloneKeyProtection calls referring to the same TargetKeyHandle.

Note that the execution of this method **must** be deferred to closeProvisioningSession.

The following fragment shows how pp cloneKeyProtection has been integrated in the KeyGen2 protocol:

Before invoking pp_cloneKeyProtection the provisioning middleware needs to perform the same steps as for pp_deleteKey.

KeyHandle is the handle associated with **CertficatePath**.

enumerateKeys (70)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Input enumeration handle

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
KeyHandle	int	Output enumeration handle
The following element must be set to zero if the output KeyHandle = 0		
ProvisioningHandle	int	Handle to the associated provisioning session object

enumerateKeys enumerate keys for *closed* provisioning sessions. Closed provisioning session means that the key is ready for usage by *applications*.

The input KeyHandle is initially set to 0 to start an enumeration round.

Succeeding calls should use the output KeyHandle as input to the next call.

When enumerateKeys returns with a KeyHandle = 0 there are no more key objects to read.

getKeyAttributes (71)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key

Output

Name	Type	Description	
Status	byte	See Return Values	
IsSymmetricKey	bool	True if the active key is symmetric. See setSymm	etricKey
AppUsage	byte	See creately extent	
FriendlyName	byte[]	See createKeyEntry	
PathLength	byte	See setCertificatePath	
X509Certificate	byte[]		
EndorsedAlgorithms	byte	See createKeyEntry	
EndorsedAlgorithm	uri		
Extensions	short	Number of Type URIs	Connection
Type	uri	Extension Type URI. Repeated object	See addExtension

getKeyAttributes returns attribute data for provisioned keys.

For asymmetric keys the public key of the End-Entity Certificate signifies RSA or ECC.

getKeyProtectionInfo (72)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key

Output

Name	Type	Description	
Status	byte	See Return Values	
ProtectionStatus	byte	See ProtectionStatus	
PUKFormat	byte	Copy of Format defined by createPUKPolicy [1]	
PUKRetryLimit	short	Copy of RetryLimit defined by createPUKPolicy [1]	
PUKErrorCount	short	Current PUK error count for keys protected by a local PUK policy object [1]	
UserDefined	bool		
UserModifiable	bool		
Format	byte		
RetryLimit	short		
Grouping	byte	Exact copies of the corresponding createPINPolicy parameters for keys protected by a local PIN policy object [1]	
PatternRestrictions	byte		
MinLength	short		
MaxLength	short		
InputMethod	byte		
PINErrorCount	short	Current PIN error count for keys protected by a local PIN policy object [1]	
EnablePINCaching	bool		
BiometricProtection	byte		
ExportProtection	byte	Exact copies of the corresponding createKeyEntry parameters [2]	
DeleteProtection	byte		
PrivateKeyBackup	bool		

getKeyProtectionInfo returns information about the protection scheme for a key including possible biometric options. In addition, the call retrieves the current protection status for the key.

Note 1: Fields **must** be set to zero if they do not apply to the key in question.

Note 2: PrivateKeyBackup must also be set if the private key has been supplied through restorePrivateKey.

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The following table illustrates how the ProtectionStatus bit field should be interpreted:

Bit	Description
0	The key is protected by a local PIN policy object
1	The key is protected by a local PUK policy object. This bit must be <i>combined</i> with bit 0
2	The key has locked-up due to PIN errors. This bit must be <i>combined</i> with bit 0
3	The key has locked-up due to PUK errors. This bit must be <i>combined</i> with bit 1
4	The key is protected by a device PIN. Information about device PINs is out of scope for the SKS API. This bit must be the only active bit if applicable

If all bits are zero the key is not PIN protected.

getExtension (73)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Туре	uri	Type URI. See addExtension

Output

Name	Type	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
SubType	byte	
Qualifier	byte[]	Exact copies of the corresponding addExtension parameters
ExtensionData	blob	

getExtension returns a typed extension object associated with a key.

Note that encrypted extensions are decrypted during provisioning.

If the extension is intended to be consumed by the SKS, ExtensionData must be returned as a zero-length array.

setProperty (74)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Туре	uri	Type URI which must identify a PropertyBag extension. See addExtension
Name	byte[]	Property name
Value	byte[]	Property Value

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

setProperty Sets a Property in a PropertyBag linked to a key.

If the named Property does not exist or is not writable, an error must be returned.

deleteKey (80)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Authorization	byte[]	Zero-length array, PIN, or PUK depending on Key Delete

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

deleteKey removes a key from the Credential Database.

If the key is the last belonging to a provisioning session, the session data objects are removed as well.

Invalid Authorization data to the key must return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

A conforming SKS **may** introduce physical presence methods like GPIO-based buttons, *circumventing* key DeleteProtection settings.

Regarding delete of PIN and PUK policy objects, see Key Protection Objects.

exportKey (81)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Authorization	byte[]	Zero-length array, PIN, or PUK depending on Key Export

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
Key	byte[]	Unencrypted key. For type information see getKeyAttributes

exportKey exports a private or secret key from the Credential Database.

Invalid Authorization data to the key must return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

Private (asymmetric) keys **must** be exported in PKCS #8 format.

If a non-exportable key is referred to, exportKey must return ERROR_NOT_ALLOWED status.

unlockKey (82)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Authorization	byte[]	PUK

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

unlockKey re-enables a key that has been locked due to erroneous PIN entries.

Note that this method only applies to keys that are protected by local PIN and PUK policy objects.

Invalid Authorization data (PUK) to the key **must** return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

If unlockKey succeeds all keys sharing the PIN object will be unlocked. See PIN Grouping.

changePIN (83)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Authorization	byte[]	Original PIN
NewPIN	byte[]	The requested new PIN

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

changePIN modifies a PIN for a key.

Note that the key **must** be protected by a local PIN policy object having the **UserModifiable** attribute set.

Invalid Authorization data (PIN) to the key **must** return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

If changePIN succeeds all keys sharing the PIN object will be updated. See PIN Grouping.

setPIN (84)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Authorization	byte[]	PUK string
NewPIN	byte[]	The requested new PIN

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values

setPIN sets a PIN for a key regardless of PIN block status since it uses a PUK as authorization.

Note that the key **must** be protected by local PUK and PIN policy objects where the latter have the **UserModifiable** attribute set.

Invalid Authorization data (PUK) must return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

If setPIN succeeds all keys sharing the PIN object will be updated and unlocked. See PIN Grouping.

signHashedData (100)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Algorithm	uri	Signature algorithm URI. See Asymmetric Key Signatures
Parameters	byte[]	Parameters needed by some signature algorithms
Authorization	byte[]	Holds a PIN or is of zero length if no PIN is supplied
Data	byte[]	Hashed data to be signed. Also see CryptoDataSize

Output

Name	Type	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
Result	byte[]	Signed data including algorithm-specific padding

signHashedData performs an asymmetric key signature operation on the input Data object.

Data must be hashed as required by the signature algorithm.

The Parameters object must be of zero length for signature algorithms not needing additional input.

Invalid Authorization data (PIN) to the key must return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

The length of Data must match the hash algorithm. Note that signature algorithms that do not define a specific hash algorithm impose no tests on Data length. The http://xmlns.webpki.org/keygen2/1.0#algorithm.rsa.none signature algorithm must format the signature packet according to PKCS #1 but without hash algorithm identifiers:

EMSA = 0x00 || 0x01 || PS || 0x00 || Data

asymmetricKeyDecrypt (101)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Algorithm	uri	Encryption algorithm URI. See Asymmetric Key Encryption
Parameters	byte[]	Parameters needed by some encryption algorithms
Authorization	byte[]	Holds a PIN or is of zero length if no PIN is supplied
Data	byte[]	Encrypted data

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
Result	byte[]	Decrypted data

asymmetricKeyDecrypt performs an asymmetric key decryption operation on the input Data object.

Data must be padded as required by the encryption algorithm like PKCS #1 for http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#rsa-1_5.

The Parameters object must be of zero length for encryption algorithms not needing additional input.

Invalid Authorization data (PIN) to the key must return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

keyAgreement (102)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Algorithm	uri	Key agreement algorithm URI. See Diffie-Hellman Key Agreement
Parameters	byte[]	Parameters needed by some key agreement algorithms
Authorization	byte[]	Holds a PIN or is of zero length if no PIN is supplied
PublicKey	byte[]	The other party's public key

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
Key	byte[]	Shared secret key

keyAgreement performs an asymmetric key agreement operation resulting in a shared secret key.

The Parameters object must be of zero length for key agreement algorithms not needing additional input.

Invalid Authorization data (PIN) to the key must return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

performHMAC (103)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Algorithm	uri	HMAC algorithm URI. See HMAC Operations
Authorization	byte[]	Holds a PIN or is of zero length if no PIN is supplied
Data	blob	Data to be HMACed. Also see CryptoDataSize

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
Result	byte[]	HMACed data

performHMAC performs a symmetric key HMAC operation on the input Data object.

Invalid Authorization data (PIN) to the key must return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

symmetricKeyEncrypt (104)

Input

Name	Туре	Description
KeyHandle	int	Local handle to the target key
Algorithm	uri	Encryption algorithm URI. See Symmetric Key Encryption
Mode	bool	True for encryption, false for decryption
IV	byte[]	Initialization Vector. Zero length for the XML Encryption algorithms
Authorization	byte[]	Holds a PIN or is of zero length if no PIN is supplied
Data	blob	Data to be encrypted or decrypted. Also see CryptoDataSize

Output

Name	Туре	Description
Status	byte	See Return Values
Result	blob	Encrypted or decrypted data

symmetricKeyEncrypt performs a symmetric key encryption or decryption operation on the input Data object.

Note that if an IV (Initialization Vector) is not required by the encryption algorithm, IV must be of zero length.

Invalid Authorization data (PIN) to the key must return ERROR_AUTHORIZATION status.

Session Security Mechanisms

After the SessionKey has been created the actual provisioning methods can be called. Depending on the specific method downloaded data may be confidential or need to be authenticated. For certain operations the SKS needs to prove for the issuer that sent data indeed stems from internal SKS operations which is referred to as attestations.

This section describes the security mechanisms used during a provisioning session. Also see SessionKeyLimit.

String literals like "Encryption Key" featured in the following definitions **must** be supplied "as is" without length indicators, while when being a part of MAC or attestation *Data* arguments **must** be treated as described in **Data** Types.

Encrypted Data

During provisioning encrypted data is occasionally exchanged between the issuer and the SKS. The encryption key is created by the following key derivation scheme:

```
EncryptionKey = HMAC-SHA256 (SessionKey, "Encryption Key")
```

EncryptionKey must only be used with the AES256-CBC algorithm. Note that the IV (Initialization Vector) **must** always be *prepended* to the encrypted data as in XML Encryption.

MAC Operations

In order to verify the integrity of provisioned data, many of the provisioning methods mandate that the data-carrying arguments are included in a MAC (Message Authentication Code) operation as well. MAC operations use the following scheme:

```
MAC = HMAC-SHA256 (SessionKey | MethodName | MACSequenceCounter, Data)
```

MethodName is the string literal of the target method like "closeProvisioningSession", while Data represents the arguments as specified for the actual method. Note that individual elements featured in Data must use the representation described in Data Types.

After each MAC operation, MACSequenceCounter **must** be incremented by one. Due the use of a sequence counter, the provisioning system **must** honor the order of objects as defined by the issuer.

Attestations

Attestations created by the SKS are identical to MAC Operations where *MethodName* is set to "Device Attestation".

Target Key Reference

In order to perform post provisioning operations the issuer must provide evidence of ownership to keys. *Target Key Reference* denotes a key management authorization signature scheme using the KeyManagementKey associated with the "owning" provisioning object of the target key (see Provisioning Objects) according to the following:

Authorization = Sign (HMAC-SHA256 (SessionKey || Device Certificate, End-Entity Certificate))

Notes:

- All elements must be represented "as is" in the HMAC operation, excluding length information
- Sign must use an PKCS #1 RSASSA signature for RSA keys and ECDSA for ECC keys with the private key associated with KeyManagementKey, and utilizing SHA256 as hash function
- An SKS must verify that the signature validates with respect to the public key (KeyManagementKey) as well as
 checking that End-Entity Certificate matches TargetKeyHandle
- If a KeyManagementKey is not present in the target key's provisioning object, the key is considered "not updatable" and the provisioning session must be aborted

Sample Session

The following provisioning sample session shows the *sequence* for creating an X.509 certificate with a matching PIN and PUK protected private key:

```
ProvisioningHandle, ... = createProvisioningSession (...)

PUKPolicyHandle = createPUKPolicy (ProvisioningHandle, ...)

PINPolicyHandle = createPINPolicy (ProvisioningHandle, ..., PUKPolicyHandle, ...)

KeyHandle, ... = createKeyEntry (ProvisioningHandle, ..., PINPolicyHandle, ...)

External certification of the generated public key happens here...

setCertificatePath (KeyHandle, ...)

closeProvisioningSession (ProvisioningHandle, ...)
```

Note that Handle variables are only used by local middleware, while (not shown) variables like SessionKey, MAC, ID, etc. are primarily used in the communication between an issuer and the SKS.

If keys are to be created entirely locally, this requires local software emulation of an issuer.

Reference Implementation

To further guide implementers, an open source SKS reference implementation in java® is available including a JUnit suite.

URL: http://code.google.com/p/openkeystore

Remote Key Lookup

In order to update keys and related data, SKS supports post provisioning operations like pp_deleteKey where issuers are securely shielded from each other by the use of a KeyManagementKey.

However, depending on the use-case, an issuer may need to get a list of applicable keys, *before* launching post provisioning operations. Such a facility is available in KeyGen2 as illustrated by the XML fragment below:

```
<CredentialDiscoveryRequest ... >
  <LookupSpecifier ID="Lookup.1" Nonce="nSgmg4cznqE ... WrH2421w9SYA=">
    <SearchFilter Email="john.doe@example.com"/>
    <ds:Signature>
      <ds:SignedInfo>
         <ds:CanonicalizationMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/10/xml-exc-c14n#"/>
         <ds:SignatureMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#rsa-sha256"/>
         <ds:Reference URI="#Lookup.1">
           <ds:Transforms>
             <ds:Transform Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#enveloped-signature"/>
             <ds:Transform Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/10/xml-exc-c14n#"/>
           <ds:DigestMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#sha256"/>
           <ds:DigestValue>JBfoi8iBKRyWxXYITTU1cdyybMTyJr+WDW+qCJdxoGE=</ds:DigestValue>
         </ds:Reference>
      </ds:SignedInfo>
      <ds:SignatureValue>mSMaH6wChPQRDT... JKrW3n/dL7seGbg==</ds:SignatureValue>
      <ds:KeyInfo>
        <ds:RSAKeyValue>
          <ds:Modulus>ALhBpUjJK/mSiPAe/ ... fXG8z1V3mVDZTBM7eZ</ds:Modulus>
          <ds:Exponent>AQAB</ds:Exponent>
        </ds:RSAKeyValue>
      </ds:KeyInfo>
    </ds:Signature>
  </LookupSpecifier>
</CredentialDiscoveryRequest>
```

The example works as follows:

- 1. Verify that the Signature is technically valid. Note that the actual issuer is ignored since an SKS has no opinion about what issuers are trustworthy or not.
- 2. Verify that the freshness Nonce matches SHA256 (ClientSessionID || ServerSessionID). See createProvisioningSession and Data Types.
- 3. Enumerate all sessions having a KeyManagementKey matching the public key of the Signature. This serves as an Issuer Filter. See enumerateProvisioningSessions.
- 4. From step #3 enumerate all matching SKS keys and related certificates. See enumerateKeys and getKeyAttributes.
- 5. Collect the keys from step #4 that also feature the e-mail addresss "john.doe@example.com" in the End-Entity Certificate.

The result is sent back to the issuer in the form of a list of SHA256 (End-Entity Certificate) fingerprints and session IDs.

Remote key lookups are performed at the *middleware level* since they are passive, XML intensive, and do not access private or secret keys. The primary purpose with credential lookups is *improving provisioning robustness*, while the *Issuer Filter protects user privacy* by constraining lookup data to the party to where it belongs.

Security Considerations

This document does not cover the security of the actual key-store since SKS does not differ from other systems like smart cards in this respect.

However, SKS introduces a concept sometimes referred to as "air-tight" provisioning which has some specific security characteristics. One of the most critical operations in SKS is the creation of a shared SessionKey because if such a key is intercepted or guessed by an attacker, the integrity of the entire session is potentially jeopardized.

If you take a peek at <u>createProvisioningSession</u> you will note that the <u>SessionKey</u> depends on issuer-generated and SKS-generated ephemeral public keys. It is pretty obvious that malicious middleware could replace such a key with one it has the private key to and the issuer wouldn't notice the difference. This is where the attestation signature comes in because it is computationally infeasible creating a matching signature since the both of the ephemeral public keys are enclosed as a part of the signed attestation object. That is, the issuer can when receiving the response to the provisioning session request, easily detect if it has been manipulated and *cease the rest of the operation*.

As earlier noted, the randomness of the SessionKey is crucial for all provisioning operations.

Missing or repeated objects are indirectly monitored by the use of MACSequenceCounter, while the SKS "book-keeping" functions will detect other possible irregularities during closeProvisioningSession. This means that an issuer **should not** consider issued credentials as valid unless it has received a successful response from closeProvisioningSession.

The SessionKeyLimit attribute defined in createProvisioningSession is another security measure which aims to limit exhaustive attacks on the SessionKey.

For algorithms that are considered as vulnerable to brute-force key searches, a simple workaround is adding a short *initial delay* to the applicable User API method. Since SKS is exclusively intended for user authentication a 1-100 ms delay imposes a (from the user's point of view), *hardly noticeable* impact on the performance.

By using the EndorsedAlgorithm option, issuers can specify exactly which algorithms that are permitted for a given key.

One of the most significant features of SKS is the fact that it is identified by a digital certificate, preferably issued by a known vendor of trusted hardware. This enables the issuer to securely identify the key-container both from a cryptographic point of view (brand, type etc) and as a specific unit. The latter makes it possible to communicate the container identity as an SHA1 fingerprint of the Device Certificate which facilitates novel and secure enrollment procedures, typically eliminating the traditional sign-up password.

That any issuer (after the user's consent), can provision keys may appear a bit scary but *keys do not constitute of executable code* making it less interesting in tricking users accepting "bad" issuers. In addition, the provisioning middleware is also able to validate incoming data for "sanity" and even abort unreasonable requests, such as asking for 10 keys or more to be created.

Although not a part of SKS, KeyGen2 puts a signature derived from the SessionKey over the provisioning session response. The latter holds an HTTPS ServerCertificateFingerprint giving the issuer an opportunity verifying that there actually is a "straight line" between the client and server.

One might suspect that the VSD scheme by relying on a static, *potentially issuance-wide* KeyManagementKey could introduce client-side vulnerabilities but that is unlikely to be the case: If a key management signature is intercepted by an attacker, the inclusion of a high entropy SessionKey and the Device Certificate renders it useless in another session or device. It is also worth noting that the post provisioning operations *by design* do not expose secret or private key data.

There is no protection against DoS (Denial of Service) attacks on SKS storage space due to malicious middleware.

SKS does not have any built-in notion of policy, it is up to the individual *issuer* deciding about suitable key protections options, key sizes, and private key backups.

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Note: it is possible that there are pieces that already are patented by *other parties* but the author is currently unaware of any IPR encumbrances.

Some of the core concepts have been submitted to http://defensivepublications.org and subsequently been published in IP.COM's prior art database.

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- CT-KIP by RSA Security: KeyGen2 format and basic operation
- ObC by Nokia: Key management through dynamic deployment of issuer-specific symmetric keys (VSD), and support for keys bound to downloaded data (in ObC code)
- SCP80 by GlobalPlatform: Secure messaging including "rolling MACs"
- CertEnroll by Microsoft: Processes

There is also a bunch of individuals that have been instrumental for the creation of SKS. I need to check who would accept to be mentioned:-)

KeyGen2 is an "homage" to Netscape Communications Corp. who created the first on-line provisioning system called KeyGen.

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To Do List

Although it would be nice to say "it is 100% ready" there are still a few things missing:

- Firmware upgrade API method
- Investigating possible token "wipe" options
- Minimalistic PINpad support
- Investigating "physical presence" GPIO options
- Language check
- · Filling in the references