



Part II.

The RPKI Repository

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Agenda

- Data Structures
 - ASN.1 and DER.
 - X.509 and resource certificates.
 - CMS and signed objects.
 - ROAs.
- Repository structure and distribution
 - Manifests
 - rsync.

The House of Cards

Resource Certificates

CMS

Distinguished Encoding Rules

Basic Encoding Rules

ASN.1

Resource Certificates

Internet X.509 profile

X.509

ASN.1 and DER

ASN.1

- ‘Abstract Syntax Notation One’
- Language to formally describe data structures and values.
- Independent of encoding
 - multiple encodings are available: ‘Encoding Rules’
- Standardized by ISO, IEC, and ITU-T
 - ITU-T X.680, ISO/IEC 8824-1

General Structure

```
IPAddrBlocks ::= SEQUENCE OF IPAddressFamily

IPAddressFamily ::= SEQUENCE {      -- AFI & optional SAFI --
    addressFamily      OCTET STRING (SIZE (2..3)),
    ipAddressChoice    IPAddressChoice }

IPAddressChoice ::= CHOICE {
    inherit            NULL, -- inherit from issuer --
    addressesOrRanges SEQUENCE OF IPAddressOrRange }

IPAddressOrRange ::= CHOICE {
    addressPrefix      IPAddress,
    addressRange       IPAddressRange }

IPAddressRange ::= SEQUENCE {
    min                IPAddress,
    max                IPAddress }

IPAddress ::= BIT STRING
```

Optional and Tagged Types

```
ASIdentifiers ::= SEQUENCE {  
    asnum          [0] EXPLICIT ASIdentifierChoice OPTIONAL,  
    rdi            [1] EXPLICIT ASIdentifierChoice OPTIONAL }  
  
ASIdentifierChoice ::= CHOICE {  
    inherit        NULL, -- inherit from issuer --  
    asIdsOrRanges  SEQUENCE OF ASIdOrRange }  
  
ASIdOrRange ::= CHOICE {  
    id             ASId,  
    range          ASRange }  
  
ASRange ::= SEQUENCE {  
    min            ASId,  
    max            ASId }  
  
ASId ::= INTEGER
```

Explicit v. Implicit Tagging

- Explicit
 - a value of the given tag wraps around the actual value.
- Implicit
 - the value simply carries a different tag.
- If not specifically mentioned, the default is defined in the module

```
| DEFINITIONS IMPLICIT TAGS ::=  
| BEGIN  
| -- ...
```


Object Identifiers

id-pe-ipAddrBlocks OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { id-pe 7 }

id-pkix OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {
 iso(1) identified-organization(3) dod(6) internet(1)
 security(5) mechanisms(5) pkix(7) }

id-pe OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { id-pkix 1 }

id-pe-ipAddrBlocks OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 1 7 }

Basic Encoding Rules (BER)

- Defined in ITU-T X.690 aka ISO/IEC 8825-1.
- Simple type – length – content encoding.

Type	Length	Content
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- Primitive value: content contains the encoded data of the value.
- Complex value: content contains more values.

Type: 'Identifier Octets'

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
class		P/C	tag number < 32				

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
class		P/C	1	1	1	1	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.

- Tag: one of four classes + a positive number
- Classes:
 - 'universal' (00) for types defined in X.680
 - 'context specific' (10) for choosing options and alternatives
 - 'application' (01) and 'private' (11) also exist.

Length Octets

- definite form
 - content has this many octets
- indefinite form
 - only allowed for constructed values
 - content of values until end-of-value marker

Definite Form: Length < 128

- one octet
- highest bit: 0
- lower bits: length

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

0 0 0 1 1 0 0 1 0x19 25



one octet definite form

Definite Form: Longer Length

- first octet: length of length
 - highest bit: 1
 - rest: number of octets to follow
- following octets
 - encode length as big-endian variable length integer

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1
2								0x26								0x9d							
																9885							

Indefinite Form

- encoded as 0x80
- end-of-value
 - empty, primitive value with tag 'universal 0'.
 - thus: 0x00 0x00

Distinguished Encoding Rules (DER)

- Stricter sibling of BER
- Same basic rules but some restrictions
 - no indefinite length
 - every value has exactly one correct encoding
- Used in X.509 and pretty much RSA-developed crypto formats

X.509 and Resource Certificates

X.509 Public Key Certificates

- Public key certificates provide a cryptographic confirmation for the use of a public key by an entity.
- A key and a set of attributes formally describing the authorised user of the key are signed by a superiour entity,
 - key user: subject,
 - superiour entity: issuer.
- Additional information describing the subject can be included.

Chains of Certificates

- A subject can be allowed to itself issue certificates.
- All entities that are allowed to issue certificates are called Certificate Authorities (CA).
- Certificates can be verified by following a chain from issuer to issuer until a well-known certificate is reached
 - Called trust anchor certificate

Internet Public Key Infrastructure

- X.509 assumes a strict hierarchy of CAs.
 - Developed for a telco-world directory service (X.500).
 - Unsuitable for the more chaotic Internet.
- IETF adopted and adjusted X.509 for Internet usage.
 - Internet Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), currently RFC 5280.
 - Profile on X.509,
 - mandatory and allowed attributes and algorithms,
 - rules for validation of certificates in Internet-land.

Resource Certificates

- RPKI uses Internet PKI certificates to certify resource ownership.
- Profile on Internet PKI certificates
 - serverly limites the set of attributes and their values (RFC 6487),
 - exactly one algorithm for signatures and digests (RFC 7935).
- Includes attributes for address prefixes and autonomous system numbers (RFC 3779)

Resource Certificates

- CA certificates
 - confirm transfer of resources from one organisation to another.
- EE certificates
 - issued by a resource holder for a statement about their resources
- TA certificates
 - self-signed CA certificates published and well known

Resource Certificates

```
Certificate ::= SEQUENCE {  
    tbsCertificate      TBSCertificate,  
    signatureAlgorithm  AlgorithmIdentifier,  
    signatureValue      BIT STRING }
```

TBSCertificate

```
TBSCertificate ::= SEQUENCE {  
    version          [0] EXPLICIT Version DEFAULT v1, ← must be v3  
    serialNumber      CertificateSerialNumber,  
    signature         AlgorithmIdentifier,  
    issuer            Name,  
    validity          Validity,  
    subject           Name,  
    subjectPublicKeyInfo SubjectPublicKeyInfo,  
    issuerUniqueID [1] IMPLICIT UniqueIdentifier OPTIONAL,  
    subjectUniqueID [2] IMPLICIT UniqueIdentifier OPTIONAL,  
    extensions        [3] EXPLICIT Extensions OPTIONAL  
}
```


Extension

```
Extensions ::= SEQUENCE SIZE (1..MAX) OF Extension
```

```
Extension ::= SEQUENCE {  
    extnID      OBJECT IDENTIFIER,  
    critical    BOOLEAN DEFAULT FALSE,  
    extnValue   OCTET STRING  
                -- contains the DER encoding of an ASN.1 value  
                -- corresponding to the extension type identified  
                -- by extnID  
}
```

Basic Constraints

id-ce-basicConstraints OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 2 5 29 19 }

```
BasicConstraints ::= SEQUENCE {  
    cA                BOOLEAN DEFAULT FALSE,  
    pathLenConstraint INTEGER (0..MAX) OPTIONAL }
```

- Is this certificate allowed to be used to issue certificates?
- Mandatory in CA certificates, forbidden elsewhere.

Subject Key Identifier

```
id-ce-subjectKeyIdentifier OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 2 5 29 14 }
```

```
SubjectKeyIdentifier ::= KeyIdentifier
```

```
KeyIdentifier ::= OCTET STRING
```

- SHA-1 hash of the subject's public key
- Mandatory.

Authority Key Identifier

id-ce-authorityKeyIdentifier OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 2 5 29 35 }

SubjectKeyIdentifier ::= KeyIdentifier

AuthorityKeyIdentifier ::= SEQUENCE {
 keyIdentifier [0] KeyIdentifier OPTIONAL,
 ~~authorityCertIssuer [1] GeneralNames OPTIONAL,~~
 ~~authorityCertSerialNumber [2] CertificateSerialNumber OPTIONAL~~ }

- SHA-1 hash of the issuer's public key
- Mandatory, except optional TA certificates.

Key Usage

```
id-ce-keyUsage OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 2 5 29 15 }
```

```
KeyUsage ::= BIT STRING {  
    digitalSignature          (0),  
    nonRepudiation           (1),  
    keyEncipherment          (2),  
    dataEncipherment         (3),  
    keyAgreement              (4),  
    keyCertSign               (5),  
    cRLSign                   (6),  
    encipherOnly              (7),  
    decipherOnly              (8) }
```

- How is the key of the certificate allowed to be used?
 - CA certificates: mandatory with keyCertSign and cRLSign
 - EE certificates: mandatory with digitalSignatures.

Extended Key Usage

`id-ce-extKeyUsage OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 2 5 29 37 }`

`ExtKeyUsageSyntax ::= SEQUENCE SIZE (1..MAX) OF KeyPurposeId`

`KeyPurposeId ::= OBJECT IDENTIFIER`

- Still: How is the key allowed to be used?
- Not allowed in CA or EE certificates.
- Allowed in certificates for other uses published via RPKI
 - Router keys for BGPSEC.

Authority Information Access

```
id-pe-extKeyUsage OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 1 1 }
```

```
AuthorityInfoAccessSyntax ::=  
    SEQUENCE SIZE (1..MAX) OF AccessDescription  
AccessDescription ::= SEQUENCE {  
    accessMethod          OBJECT IDENTIFIER,  
    accessLocation        GeneralName }
```

```
id-ad-caIssuers OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 48 2 }
```

- “How do I get the issuer certificate?”
- Mandatory except in TA certificates.

Subject Information Access (SIA)

```
id-pe-extKeyUsage OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 1 11 }
```

```
SubjectInfoAccessSyntax ::=  
    SEQUENCE SIZE (1..MAX) OF AccessDescription  
AccessDescription ::= SEQUENCE {  
    accessMethod          OBJECT IDENTIFIER,  
    accessLocation        GeneralName }
```

- “How do I access services provided via this certificate?”
- Mandatory with a certain set of access methods.

SIA in CA Certificates

- Where is all the material issued by this CA?

`id-ad-caRepository OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 48 5 }`

- Where is the manifest (the “index”) of all this material?

`id-ad-rpkiManifest OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 48 10 }`

SIA in EE Certificates

- Each EE certificate signs exactly one object.
- Where is it?

`id-ad-signedObject OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 48 11 }`

Certificate Policies

```
id-ce-certificatePolicies OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 2 5 29 32 }
```

```
certificatePolicies ::= SEQUENCE SIZE (1..MAX) OF PolicyInformation
```

```
PolicyInformation ::= SEQUENCE {  
    policyIdentifier    CertPolicyId,  
    policyQualifiers    SEQUENCE SIZE (1..MAX) OF  
                        PolicyQualifierInfo OPTIONAL }
```

```
CertPolicyId ::= OBJECT IDENTIFIER
```

```
id-cp-ipAddr-asNumber OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 14 2 }
```

- Mandatory with exactly one policy.
- RFC 6484.

IP Resources

id-pe-ipAddrBlocks OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 1 7 }

```
IPAddrBlocks      ::= SEQUENCE OF IPAddressFamily
IPAddressFamily   ::= SEQUENCE {
    addressFamily   OCTET STRING (SIZE (2..3)),
    ipAddressChoice IPAddressChoice }
IPAddressChoice   ::= CHOICE {
    inherit         NULL, -- inherit from issuer --
    addressesOrRanges SEQUENCE OF IPAddressOrRange }
IPAddressOrRange  ::= CHOICE {
    addressPrefix   IPAddress,
    addressRange    IPAddressRange }
IPAddressRange    ::= SEQUENCE {
    min             IPAddress,
    max             IPAddress }
IPAddress         ::= BIT STRING
```

00 01: IPv4
00 02: IPv6

only include the bits of the network prefix

AS Resources

id-pe-autonomousSysIds OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 3 6 1 5 5 7 1 8 }

ASIdentifiers ::= SEQUENCE {
 asnum [0] EXPLICIT ASIdentifierChoice OPTIONAL,
 ~~rdi [1] EXPLICIT ASIdentifierChoice OPTIONAL}~~

ASIdentifierChoice ::= CHOICE {
 inherit NULL, -- inherit from issuer --
 asIdsOrRanges SEQUENCE OF ASIdOrRange }

ASIdOrRange ::= CHOICE {
 id ASId,
 range ASRange }

ASRange ::= SEQUENCE {
 min ASId,
 max ASId }

ASId ::= INTEGER

CRL Distribution Points

```
id-ce-extKeyUsage OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 2 5 29 31 }
```

```
CRLDistributionPoints ::= SEQUENCE SIZE (1..MAX) OF DistributionPoint
```

```
DistributionPoint ::= SEQUENCE {
```

```
    distributionPoint      [0]      DistributionPointName OPTIONAL,
```

```
    reasons [1] ReasonFlags OPTIONAL,
```

```
    cRLIssuer [2] GeneralNames OPTIONAL }
```

```
DistributionPointName ::= CHOICE {
```

```
    fullName              [0]      GeneralNames,
```

```
    nameRelativeToCRLIssuer [1] RelativeDistinguishedName }
```

```
GeneralNames ::= SEQUENCE SIZE (1..MAX) OF GeneralName
```

```
GeneralName ::= CHOICE {
```

```
    -- , , ,
```

```
    uniformResourceIdentifier [6] IA5String, }
```

- Mandatory in everything except TA certificates.

CRLs?

- Answer to “How do I revoke a certificate before it expires?”
 - Once published, users have it and can use it.
- Certificate Revocation List
- A signed list of the serial numbers of all the certificates that have been revoked.

Certificate Revocation List

```
CertificateList ::= SEQUENCE {  
    tbsCertList      TBSCertList,  
    signatureAlgorithm AlgorithmIdentifier,  
    signatureValue    BIT STRING }
```

```
TBSCertList ::= SEQUENCE {  
    version           Version OPTIONAL,  
    signature          AlgorithmIdentifier,  
    issuer             Name,  
    thisUpdate         Time,  
    nextUpdate         Time OPTIONAL,  
    revokedCertificates SEQUENCE OF SEQUENCE {  
        userCertificate      CertificateSerialNumber,  
        revocationDate       Time,  
        crlEntryExtensions Extensions OPTIONAL  
        } OPTIONAL,  
    crlExtensions      [0] EXPLICIT Extensions OPTIONAL }
```


CRL Extensions

- Authority Key Identifier (same as with certificates)
- CRL number

`id-ce-cRLNumber OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 2 5 29 20 }`

`CRLNumber ::= INTEGER (0..MAX)`

CMS and Signed Objects

Cryptographic Message Syntax

- A framework for exchanging digitally signed, encrypted, digested, authenticated messages.
- Used for instance in S/MIME for secure email.
- RFC 5652.

Cryptographic Message Syntax

- Provides different containers for content that has been
 - signed
 - enveloped
 - digested
 - encrypted
 - authenticated.
- Stack containers to achieve multiple purposes.

Signed Object

- Profile on CMS' signed data container.
 - severely limits allowed attributes, values, and algorithms.
 - RFC 6488
- All statements published in RPKI are placed in these signed objects.

Signed Object

```
ContentInfo ::= SEQUENCE {  
    contentType ContentType,  
    content [0] EXPLICIT ANY DEFINED BY contentType }
```

```
ContentType ::= OBJECT IDENTIFIER
```

```
SignedData ::= SEQUENCE {  
    version CMSVersion,  
    digestAlgorithms DigestAlgorithmIdentifiers,  
    encapContentInfo EncapsulatedContentInfo,  
    certificates [0] IMPLICIT CertificateSet OPTIONAL,  
    urls [1] IMPLICIT RevocationInfoChoices OPTIONAL,  
    signerInfos SignerInfos }
```

```
EncapsulatedContentInfo ::= SEQUENCE {  
    eContentType ContentType,  
    eContent [0] EXPLICIT OCTET STRING OPTIONAL }
```

```
DigestAlgorithmIdentifiers ::= SET OF DigestAlgorithmIdentifier
```

Certificate Set

```
CertificateSet ::= SET OF CertificateChoices
```

```
CertificateChoices ::= CHOICE {  
    certificate Certificate,  
    extendedCertificate [0] IMPLICIT ExtendedCertificate, -- Obsolete  
    v1AttrCert [1] IMPLICIT AttributeCertificateV1, -- Obsolete  
    v2AttrCert [2] IMPLICIT AttributeCertificateV2,  
    other [3] IMPLICIT OtherCertificateFormat }
```

- Contains the EE certificate used for signing the object.
 - I.e., EE certificates are embedded in signed objects and won't appear stand-alone.

SignerInfo

SignerInfos ::= SET OF SignerInfo

SignerInfo ::= SEQUENCE {
 version CMSVersion,
 sid SignerIdentifier,
 digestAlgorithm DigestAlgorithmIdentifier,
 signedAttrs [0] IMPLICIT SignedAttributes OPTIONAL,
 signatureAlgorithm SignatureAlgorithmIdentifier,
 signature SignatureValue,
 ~~unsignedAttrs [1] IMPLICIT UnsignedAttributes OPTIONAL~~ }

SignerIdentifier ::= CHOICE {
 ~~issuerAndSerialNumber IssuerAndSerialNumber,~~
 subjectKeyIdentifier [0] SubjectKeyIdentifier }

SignedAttributes

SignedAttributes ::= SET SIZE (1..MAX) OF Attribute

Attribute ::= SEQUENCE {
 attrType OBJECT IDENTIFIER,
 attrValues SET OF AttributeValue }

AttributeValue ::= ANY

Signed Attributes

- Content-Type,
 - 1.2.840.113549.1.9.3,
 - object identifier of the content type.
- Message-Digest
 - 1.2.840.113549.1.9.4
 - values of the message digest over the content.
- Signing-Time, Binary-Signing-Time: optional.

Signature

`SignatureValue ::= OCTET STRING`

- Signature is not directly calculated over the content.
- Rather, it is calculated over the signed attributes.
 - Allows verification of the values of these attributes.
 - Message-Digest attribute contributes the link to the content.

ROAs

Route Origin Authorization

- A signed object listing a set of address prefixes that a autonomous system is allowed to announce.
- Content type: 1.2.840.113549.1.9.16.1.24

```
RouteOriginAttestation ::= SEQUENCE {  
    version [0] INTEGER DEFAULT 0,  
    asID ASID,  
    ipAddrBlocks SEQUENCE (SIZE(1..MAX)) OF ROAIPAddressFamily }
```

ROAIPAddressFamily

```
ROAIPAddressFamily ::= SEQUENCE {  
    addressFamily OCTET STRING (SIZE (2..3)),  
    addresses SEQUENCE (SIZE (1..MAX)) OF ROAIPAddress }
```

```
ROAIPAddress ::= SEQUENCE {  
    address IPAddress,  
    maxLength INTEGER OPTIONAL }
```

Repository Content

Recap: CA Certificates and caRepository

- TA certificates and CA certificates:
 - caRepository SLA where they keep all their issued material.
- This repository contains:
 - the CRL for the CA,
 - ROAs and other signed objects for this CA,
 - CA certificates for all transferred resources.

Rsync

- software to synchronize the content of two directory trees
 - works locally and across the network.
 - uses a clever algorithm to minimize the data exchanged
- rsync daemon allows to offer rsync as a network service.
- Currently primary means to distribute the RPKI repository.
 - rsync URIs identify resources available for rsync via the daemon

Repository Distributions

- Distributed Repository,
 - no single central service,
 - potentially lots and lots of locations.
- Each CA chooses the location of its repository.
 - Can be its very own server,
 - Can be under or aside of its parent CA.

CA Repository Content

- The CA repository contains of all files found in the directory.
 - Whatever rsync puts there.
- Adding illegitimate objects is fine, they are signed.
- Except if they are replayed stale objects.
 - Stale: certificate is still valid but the object has been withdrawn.
 - CRL doesn't help if it is replaced by a stale version, too.

Manifests

- A signed object that lists all files in the CA repository
 - not just the name but also a hash over the content.
- Included in the CA certificate under the rpkiManifest SIA.
- Normally located in the CA repository itself.

Manifest

```
Manifest ::= SEQUENCE {  
    version          [0] INTEGER DEFAULT 0,  
    manifestNumber   INTEGER (0..MAX),  
    thisUpdate       GeneralizedTime,  
    nextUpdate       GeneralizedTime,  
    fileHashAlg      OBJECT IDENTIFIER,  
    fileList         SEQUENCE SIZE (0..MAX) OF FileAndHash }
```

```
FileAndHash ::= SEQUENCE {  
    file             IA5String,  
    hash             BIT STRING }
```

Repository Structure

Trust Anchor Locators

- We need to start somewhere.

`rsync://rpki.ripe.net/ta/ripe-ncc-ta.cer`

```
MIIBIjANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQEFAAOCAQ8AMIIBCgKCAQEA0URYSGqUz2myBs0zeW1j
Q6NsxNvLLMyhWknvnl8NiBCs/T/S2XuNKQNZ+wBZxIgPPV2pFBFeQAvoH/WK83Hw
A26V2siwm/MY2nKZ+Olw+wlpzlZ1p3Ipj2eNcKrmIt8BwBC8xImzuCGaV0jkrB0G
Z0hoH6Ml03umLprRsn6v0xOP0+l6Qc1ZHMFVFb385IQ7FQQTcVIxrdeMsoyJq9eM
kE6DoclHhF/NlSllXubASQ9KUWqJ0+0t3QCXr4LXECMfkkpVR2TZT+v5v658bHV
6ZxRD1b6Uk1uQKAyHUbn/tXvP8lrjAibGzVsXDT2L0x4Edx+QdixPgOji3gBMyL2
VwIDAQAB
```

rsync://rpki.ripe.net/ta/ripe-ncc-ta.cer

caRepository: rsync://rpki.ripe.net/repository/

rpkiManifest: rsync://rpki.ripe.net/repository/ripe-ncc-ta.mft

```
$ ls -1 rpki.ripe.net/repository/  
2a7dd1d787d793e4c8af56e197d4eed92af6ba13.cer  
aca  
DEFAULT  
ripe-ncc-ta.crl  
ripe-ncc-ta.mft
```


2a7dd1d787d793e4c8af56e197d4eed92af6ba13.cer

caRepository: rsync://rpki.ripe.net/repository/aca/

rpkiManifest: rsync://rpki.ripe.net/repository/aca/Kn3R14fXk-\
Tlr1bhl9Tu2Sr2uhM.mft

```
$ ls -l rpki.ripe.net/repository/aca  
HGp1AESLbyiopScGy7yW4b6s_T4.cer  
Kn3R14fXk-Tlr1bhl9Tu2Sr2uhM.crl  
Kn3R14fXk-Tlr1bhl9Tu2Sr2uhM.mft  
qM_jralcLee1A8ndIB6R9r9Jz8A.cer
```