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Abstract

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

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1. Notation

Type names, attribute names and element names are written as `code`.

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

In formulas we use “|” to denote byte wise concatenation operations.

DOM APIs are described using the ECMAScript [[ECMA-262](#)] bindings for WebIDL [[WebIDL-ED](#)].

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

WebIDL dictionary members *MUST NOT* have a value of null.

Unless otherwise specified, if a WebIDL dictionary member is DOMString, it *MUST NOT* be empty.

Unless otherwise specified, if a WebIDL dictionary member is a List, it *MUST NOT* be an empty list.

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

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

Note

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

1.1 Key Words

The key words “*MUST*”, “*MUST NOT*”, “*REQUIRED*”, “*SHALL*”, “*SHALL NOT*”, “*SHOULD*”, “*SHOULD NOT*”, “*RECOMMENDED*”, “*MAY*”, and “*OPTIONAL*” in this document are to be interpreted as described in [[RFC2119](#)].

2. Overview

This section is non-normative.

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

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

2.1 Scope

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

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

2.2 Audience

The intended audience for this document includes:

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

third party metadata

2.3 Architecture

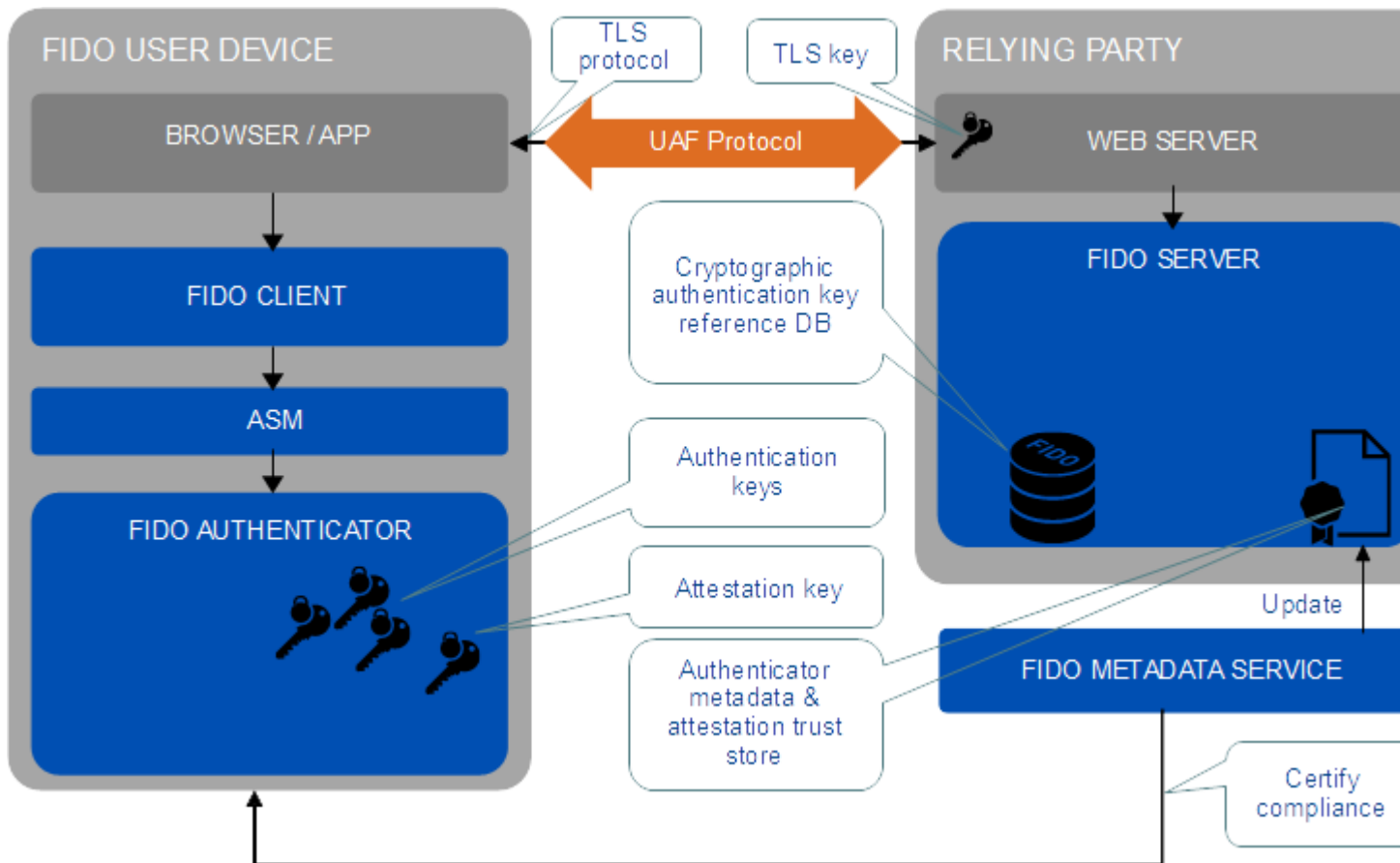


Fig. 1 The UAF Architecture

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

The workflow around an authenticator metadata statement is as follows:

1. The authenticator vendor produces a metadata statement describing the characteristics of an authenticator.
2. The metadata statement is submitted to the FIDO Alliance as part of the FIDO certification process. The FIDO Alliance distributes the metadata as described in [[UAFMetadataService](#)].
3. A FIDO relying party configures its registration policy to allow authenticators matching certain characteristics to be registered.
4. The FIDO server sends a registration challenge message containing this policy statement.
5. The FIDO UAF Client receives the policy statement as part of the challenge message. It queries available authenticators for their self-reported characteristics and (with the user's input) selects an authenticator that matches the policy, to be registered.

6. The client processes and sends a registration response message to the server. This message contains the AAID for the authenticator and, optionally, a signature made with the private key corresponding to the public key in the authenticator's attestation certificate.
7. The FIDO Server looks up the metadata statement for the authenticator using the authenticator's AAID. If the metadata statement lists an attestation certificate(s), it verifies that an attestation signature is present, and made with the private key corresponding to either (a) one of the certificates listed in this metadata statement or (b) corresponding to the public key in a certificate that *chains* to one of the issuer certificates listed in the authenticator's metadata statement.
8. The FIDO Server next verifies that the authenticator meets the originally supplied registration policy based on its authoritative metadata statement. This prevents a faulty, modified, or compromised FIDO UAF Client from registering authenticators that are out of policy.
9. *Optionally*, a FIDO Server may, with input from the Relying Party, assign a risk or trust score to the authenticator, based on its metadata, including elements not selected for by the stated policy.
10. *Optionally*, a FIDO Server may cross-reference the attested AAID of the authenticator with other metadata databases published by third parties. Such third-party metadata might, for example, inform the FIDO Server if an authenticator has achieved certifications relevant to certain markets or industry verticals, or whether it meets application-specific regulatory requirements.

3. Types

This section is normative.

3.1 CodeAccuracyDescriptor dictionary

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

Note

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

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

```
dictionary CodeAccuracyDescriptor {  
    required unsigned short base;  
    required unsigned short minLength;
```

```

        unsigned short      maxRetries;
        unsigned short      blockSlowdown;
};

```

3.1.1 Dictionary [CodeAccuracyDescriptor](#) Members

base of type required unsigned short

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

minLength of type required unsigned short

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

maxRetries of type unsigned short

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

blockSlowdown of type unsigned short

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

3.2 BiometricAccuracyDescriptor dictionary

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

Note

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

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

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

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

```

dictionary BiometricAccuracyDescriptor {
    double      FAR;
    double      FRR;
    double      EER;
    double      FAAR;
    unsigned short maxReferenceDataSets;
    unsigned short maxRetries;
    unsigned short blockSlowdown;
}

```

};

3.2.1 Dictionary [BiometricAccuracyDescriptor](#) Members

FAR of type double

The false acceptance rate [[ISO19795-1](#)] for a single reference data set, i.e. the percentage of non-matching data sets that are accepted as valid ones. For example a FAR of 0.1% would be encoded as 0.001.

Note

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

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

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

FRR of type double

The false rejection rate for a single reference data set, i.e. the percentage of presented valid data sets that lead to a (false) non-acceptance. For example a FRR of 0.1% would be encoded as 0.001.

Note

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

EER of type double

The equal error rate for a single reference data set.

FAAR of type double

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

Note

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

`maxReferenceDataSets` of type unsigned short

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

`maxRetries` of type unsigned short

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

`blockSlowdown` of type unsigned short

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

3.3 PatternAccuracyDescriptor dictionary

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

Note

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

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

3.3.1 Dictionary [PatternAccuracyDescriptor](#) Members

`minComplexity` of type required unsigned long

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

`maxRetries` of type unsigned short

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

`blockSlowdown` of type unsigned short

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

3.4 VerificationMethodDescriptor dictionary

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

A base user verification method must be chosen from the list of those described in [[UAFRegistry](#)]

Note

In reality, several of the methods described above might be combined. For example, a fingerprint based user verification can be combined with an alternative password.

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

```
dictionary VerificationMethodDescriptor {  
    required unsigned long      userVerification;  
    CodeAccuracyDescriptor      caDesc;  
    BiometricAccuracyDescriptor baDesc;  
    PatternAccuracyDescriptor   paDesc;  
};
```

3.4.1 Dictionary [VerificationMethodDescriptor](#) Members

`userVerification` of type required unsigned long
a *single* `USER_VERIFY` constant (see [[UAFRegistry](#)]), **not a bit flag combination**. This value *MUST* be non-zero.

`caDesc` of type [CodeAccuracyDescriptor](#)
May optionally be used in the case of method `USER_VERIFY_PASSCODE`.

`baDesc` of type [BiometricAccuracyDescriptor](#)
May optionally be used in the case of method `USER_VERIFY_FINGERPRINT`, `USER_VERIFY_VOICEPRINT`, `USER_VERIFY_FACEPRINT`, `USER_VERIFY_EYEPRINT`, or `USER_VERIFY_HANDPRINT`.

`paDesc` of type [PatternAccuracyDescriptor](#)
MAY optionally be used in case of method `USER_VERIFY_PATTERN`.

3.5 verificationMethodANDCombinations typedef

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

`VerificationMethodANDCombinations` *MUST* be non-empty. It is a list containing the list of base user verification methods which must be passed as part of a successful user verification.

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

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

3.6 rgbPaletteEntry dictionary

The `rgbPaletteEntry` is an RGB three-sample tuple palette entry

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

3.6.1 Dictionary [rgbPaletteEntry](#) Members

r of type required unsigned short

Red channel sample value

g of type required unsigned short

Green channel sample value

b of type required unsigned short

Blue channel sample value

3.7 DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor dictionary

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

```
dictionary DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor {  
    required unsigned long width;  
    required unsigned long height;  
    required octet bitDepth;  
    required octet colorType;  
    required octet compression;  
    required octet filter;  
    required octet interlace;  
    rgbPaletteEntry[] plte;  
};
```

3.7.1 Dictionary [DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor](#) Members

width of type required unsigned long

image width

height of type required unsigned long

image height

bitDepth of type required octet

Bit depth - bits per sample or per palette index.

colorType of type required octet

Color type defines the PNG image type.

compression of type required octet

Compression method used to compress the image data.

filter of type required octet

Filter method is the preprocessing method applied to the image data before compression.

interlace of type required octet

Interlace method is the transmission order of the image data.

plte of type array of [rgbPaletteEntry](#)

1 to 256 palette entries

4. Metadata Keys

This section is normative.

```

dictionary MetadataStatement {
    required AAID                aaid;
    required DOMString           description;
    required unsigned short      authenticatorVersion;
    required Version[]           upv;
    required DOMString           assertionScheme;
    required unsigned short      authenticationAlgorithm;
    required unsigned short      publicKeyAlgAndEncoding;
    required unsigned short[]    attestationTypes;
    required VerificationMethodANDCombinations[] userVerificationDetails;
    required unsigned short      keyProtection;
    required unsigned short      matcherProtection;
    required unsigned long       attachmentHint;
    required boolean             isSecondFactorOnly;
    required unsigned short      tcDisplay;
    DOMString                    tcDisplayContentType;
    DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor[] tcDisplayPNGCharacteristics;
    required DOMString[]         attestationRootCertificates;
    required DOMString           icon;
};

```

4.1 Dictionary [MetadataStatement](#) Members

`aaid` of type required AAID

The Authenticator Attestation ID. See [[UAFProtocol](#)] for the definition of the AAID structure.

`description` of type required DOMString

A human-readable short description of the authenticator.

Note

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

`authenticatorVersion` of type required unsigned short

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

Adding new `StatusReport` entries with status `UPDATE_AVAILABLE` to the metadata TOC object [[UAFMetadataService](#)] *MUST* also change this `authenticatorVersion` if the update fixes severe security issues, e.g. the ones reported by preceding `StatusReport` entries with status code `USER_VERIFICATION_BYPASS`, `ATTESTATION_KEY_COMPROMISE`, `USER_KEY_REMOTE_COMPROMISE`, `USER_KEY_PHYSICAL_COMPROMISE`, `REVOKED`.

It is *RECOMMENDED* to assume increased risk if this version is higher (newer) than the firmware version present in an authenticator. For example, if a `StatusReport` entry with status `USER_VERIFICATION_BYPASS` or `USER_KEY_REMOTE_COMPROMISE` precedes the `UPDATE_AVAILABLE` entry, than any firmware version lower (older) than the one specified in the metadata statement is assumed to be vulnerable.

upv of type array of required Version

The UAF protocol version(s) supported by this authenticator. See [[UAFProtocol](#)] for the definition of the Version structure.

assertionScheme of type required DOMString

The assertion scheme supported by the Authenticator. Must be set to one of the enumerated Strings defined in the FIDO UAF Registry of Predefined Values [[UAFRegistry](#)].

authenticationAlgorithm of type required unsigned short

The authentication algorithm supported by the authenticator. Must be set to one of the UAF_ALG constants defined in the FIDO UAF Registry of Predefined Values [[UAFRegistry](#)]. This value *MUST* be non-zero.

publicKeyAlgAndEncoding of type required unsigned short

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

attestationTypes of type array of required unsigned short

The supported attestation type(s). (e.g. TAG_ATTESTATION_BASIC_FULL) See UAF Registry for more information [[UAFRegistry](#)].

userVerificationDetails of type array of required VerificationMethodANDCombinations

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

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

- enroll new verification reference data to one of the user verification methods
- or
- unlock the UAuth key directly after successful user verification

keyProtection of type required unsigned short

A 16-bit number representing the bit fields defined by the KEY_PROTECTION constants in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [[UAFRegistry](#)].

This value *MUST* be non-zero.

matcherProtection of type required unsigned short

A 16-bit number representing the bit fields defined by the MATCHER_PROTECTION constants in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [[UAFRegistry](#)].

This value *MUST* be non-zero.

Note

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

attachmentHint of type required unsigned long

A 32-bit number representing the bit fields defined by the ATTACHMENT_HINT constants in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [[UAFRegistry](#)].

Note

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

isSecondFactorOnly of type required boolean

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

tcDisplay of type required unsigned short

A 16-bit number representing the bit fields defined by the TRANSACTION_CONFIRMATION_DISPLAY constants in the FIDO Registry of Predefined Values [[UAFRegistry](#)].

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

tcDisplayContentType of type DOMString

Supported MIME content type [[RFC2049](#)] for the transaction confirmation display, such as text/plain or image/png.

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

tcDisplayPNGCharacteristics of type array of [DisplayPNGCharacteristicsDescriptor](#)

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

This list *MUST* be present if transaction confirmation is supported, i.e. tcDisplay is non-zero.

attestationRootCertificates of type array of required DOMString

Each element of this array represents a PKIX [[RFC5280](#)] trust root X.509 certificate that is valid for this AAID. Multiple certificates might be used for different batches without

distinct AADs. The array does not represent a certificate chain, but only the trust anchor of that chain.

Each array element is a Base64-encoded (section 4 of [[RFC4648](#)]), DER-encoded [[ITU-X690-2008](#)] PKIX certificate value. Each element *MUST* be dedicated for authenticator attestation.

Note

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

The attestation certificate itself and the ordered certificate chain is included in the registration assertion (see [[UAFAuthnrCommands](#)]).

Either

- the manufacturer attestation root certificate
- or
- the root certificate related to a specific AAD

MUST be specified included here.

In the case (a), the root certificate might cover multiple authenticator types (i.e. multiple AADs). In this case, the AAD *MUST* be specified in the SubjectDN CommonName (oid 2.5.4.3) of the Attestation Certificate. In the case (b) it is not required to include the AAD in the SubjectDN CommonName of the attestation certificate, as the root certificate only covers a single AAD.

In the case of surrogate basic attestation (see [[UAFProtocol](#)], section "Surrogate Basic Attestation"), no attestation root certificate is required/used. So this array *MUST* be empty in that case.

icon of type required DOMString

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

5. Metadata Statement Format

This section is non-normative.

A FIDO Authenticator Metadata Statement is a document containing a JSON encoded [dictionary MetadataStatement](#).

Example of the metadata statement for an authenticator with:

- authenticatorVersion 2.
- Fingerprint based user verification with false acceptance rate of 0.001.
- Authenticator is embedded with the FIDO User device.
- The authentication keys are protected by TEE.
- The (fingerprint) matcher is implemented in TEE.
- The Transaction Confirmation Display is implemented in a TEE.
- The Transaction Confirmation Display supports display of "image/png" objects only.
- Display has a width of 320 and a height of 480 pixel. A bit depth of 16 bits per pixel offering True Color (=Color Type 2). The zlib compression method (0). It doesn't support filtering (i.e. filter type of=0) and no interlacing support (interlace method=0).
- The Authenticator can act as first factor or as second factor, i.e. isSecondFactorOnly = false.
- It supports the "UAFV1TLV" assertion scheme.
- It uses the UAF_ALG_SIGN_ECDSA_SHA256_RAW authentication algorithm.
- It uses the UAF_ALG_KEY_ECC_X962_RAW public key format (0x100=256 decimal).
- It only implements the TAG_ATTESTATION_BASIC_FULL method (0x3E07=15879 decimal).
- It implements UAF protocol version 1.0 only.

Example 1: MetadataStatement

```
{ "aaid": "1234#5678",
  "description": "FIDO Alliance Sample UAF Authenticator",
  "authenticatorVersion": 2,
  "upv": [{ "major": 1, "minor": 0 }],
  "assertionScheme": "UAFV1TLV",
  "authenticationAlgorithm": 1,
  "publicKeyAlgAndEncoding": 256,
  "attestationTypes": [15879],
  "userVerificationDetails": [ [ { "userVerification": 2, "baDesc": { "FAR":
0.001 } } ] ],
  "keyProtection": 6,
  "matcherProtection": 2,
  "attachmentHint": 1,
  "isSecondFactorOnly": "false",
  "tcDisplay": 4,
  "tcDisplayContentType": ["image/png"],
  "tcDisplayPNGCharacteristics": [{ "width": 320, "height": 480, "bitDepth":
16,
    "colorType": 2, "compression": 0, "filter": 0, "interlace": 0}],
  "attestationRootCertificates": [
"MIICPTCCAeOgAwIBAgIJA0uexvU3Oy2wMAoGCCqGSM49BAMCMHsxIDAeBgNVBAMM
F1NhbXBsZSBBdHRlc3RhdGlvbiBSb290MRYwFAYDVQQKDA1GSURPIEFsbGhbmNl
MREwDwYDVQQQLDAhVQUYgVFdHLDZSMGAgA1UEBwwJUGFsbyBBbHRvMQswCQYDVQQI
DAJDQTElMAkGA1UEBhMCVVMwHhcNMTQwNjE4MTMzMzMyWhcNNDExMTAzMTMzMzMy
WjB7MSAwHgYDVQQDDbDYwLWwGUgQXR0ZXN0YXRpb24gUm9vdDEWMBQGA1UECgwN
RklETyBBBgxpYW5jZTERMA8GA1UECwwIVUFGIFRXYWxEjAQBgNVBAcMCVBhbG8g
QWw0bzELMAkGA1UECAwCQ0ExCzAJBgNVBAYTA1VTMFkwEwYHKoZIzj0CAQYIKoZI
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}

```

Example of an *User Verification Methods* entry for an authenticator with:

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

Example 2: User Verification Methods Entry

```

[
  [ { "userVerification": 2, "baDesc": { "FAR": 0.00002,
"maxReferenceDataSets": 5,
                                "maxRetries": 5, "blockSlowdown": 0 } } ],

```

```
[ { "userVerification": 4, "caDesc": { "base": 10, "minLength": 4 } } ]
```

6. Additional Considerations

This section is non-normative.

6.1 Field updates and metadata

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

Note

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

Note

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

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

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

Note

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

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