

## Agents

*A* - Alice  
*M* - Webauthn authenticator (passkey manager)  
*B* - Browser with SubtleCrypto API and libsodium library  
*S* - Quick Crypt server  
*R* - <https://www.random.org/cgi-bin/randbyte?nbytes=48>  
*D* - Insecure persistent storage system

## Browser and Libsodium Functions

*E<sub>a</sub>* - Symmetric cipher using AEAD algorithm *a*. One of:  
1. AES-256 in Galois/Counter mode from SubtleCrypto  
2. XChaCha20 with Poly1305 MAC from libsodium  
3. AEGIS 256 from libsodium  
*D<sub>H</sub>* - HKDF key derivation using SHA-512 from SubtleCrypto  
*D<sub>P</sub>* - PBKDF2 key derivation using SHA-512 from SubtleCrypto  
*H* - BLAKE2b MAC generator from libsodium  
*V* - BLAKE2b MAC validator from libsodium  
*G* - Cryptographic pseudorandom generator from SubtleCrypto

## Cipher Variables

*N* - Block number  
*m* - Clear text message  
*m<sub>0</sub>* - Clear text block 0  
*m<sub>N</sub>* - Clear text block N  
*p* - Password text  
*h* - Password hint text  
*u<sub>c</sub>* - 256 bit user credential  
*a* - Symmetric AEAD cipher and mode: [1, 2, 3]  
*i* - PBKDF2 iteration count, minimum 400,000  
*k<sub>M</sub>* - 256 bit message cipher key  
*k<sub>H</sub>* - 256 bit hint cipher key  
*k<sub>S</sub>* - 256 bit MAC key  
*kp* - Key purpose text  
*r* - 384 bits of either true or pseudo random data  
*l* - *n<sub>IV</sub>* bit length: [96, 192, 256]  
*n<sub>IV</sub>* - True or pseudo random initialization vector  
*n<sub>S</sub>* - 128 bit true or pseudo random salt  
*lp* - Loop count (0-15)  
*le* - Loop end (0-15)  
*ad* - Additional data  
*v* - Cipher data version  
*h<sub>E</sub>* - Encrypted hint  
*h<sub>E</sub>l* - Encrypted hint length  
*m<sub>E</sub>* - Encrypted message  
*t* - 256 bit MAC tag  
*pl* - Payload length  
*cd<sub>0</sub>* - Cipher data block 0  
*cd<sub>N</sub>* - Cipher data block N  
*cd* - Cipher data  
*b* - Valid or invalid MAC tag  
*err* - Error message

### Message Encryption by A

$A \xleftrightarrow{\text{webauthn}} B, M \xleftrightarrow{\text{webauthn}} S$   
 $B \leftarrow S : u_c$   
 $A \rightarrow B : m, i, a, le$   
 $lp = 0$   
*LOOP* :  $B$  compute  
     $A \rightarrow B : p, h$   
     $v = 4$   
     $r = G(384) \vee B \xleftarrow{\text{https}} R : r$   
     $n_S = r[0 : 128)$   
     $n_{IV} = r[128 : 128 + l)$   
     $k_M = D_P(p \parallel u_c, n_S, i)$   
     $k_S = D_H(u_c, n_S, kp_S = \text{"cipherdata signing key"})$   
     $cd = cd_0 \parallel cd_N \parallel \dots$   
     $m = cd$   
     $lp = lp + 1$   
    goto *LOOP* if  $lp < le$   
 $A \leftarrow B : cd$

### Block 0 Encryption by B

$k_H = D_H(u_c, n_S, kp_H = \text{"hint encryption key"})$   
 $h_E = E_a(h, n_{IV}, k_H)$   
 $h_E l = \text{len}(h_E)$   
 $ad = a \parallel n_{IV} \parallel n_S \parallel i \parallel le \parallel lp \parallel h_E l \parallel h_E$   
 $m_E = E_a(m_0, n_{IV}, ad, k_M)$   
 $pl = \text{len}(ad \parallel m_E)$   
 $t = H(v, pl, ad, m_E, k_S)$   
 $cd_0 = t \parallel v \parallel pl \parallel ad \parallel m_E$

### Block N Encryption by B

$r = G(384) \vee B \xleftarrow{\text{https}} R : r$   
 $n_{IV} = r[0 : l)$   
 $ad = a \parallel n_{IV}$   
 $m_E = E_a(m_N, n_{IV}, ad, k_M)$   
 $pl = \text{len}(ad \parallel m_E)$   
 $t = H(v, pl, ad, m_E, k_S)$   
 $cd_N = t \parallel v \parallel pl \parallel ad \parallel m_E$

### Message Storage by A

$A \rightarrow D : cd$

### Message Decryption by A

$A \leftarrow D : cd$   
 $A \xleftrightarrow{\text{webauthn}} B, M \xleftrightarrow{\text{webauthn}} S$   
 $B \leftarrow S : u_c$   
 $A \rightarrow B : cd$   
 $lp = 0$   
*LOOP* :  $B$  compute  
     $t, v, pl, ad, m_E = cd_0$   
     $a, n_{IV}, n_S, i, le, lp, h_{El}, h_E = ad$   
     $k_S = D_H(u_c, n_S, kp_S = \text{"cipherdata signing key"})$   
     $b = V(v, pl, ad, m_E, k_S, t)$   
    if ! $b$  :  
         $A \leftarrow B : Err$   
     $k_H = D_H(u_c, n_S, kp_H = \text{"hint encryption key"})$   
     $h = E_a^{-1}(h_E, n_{IV}, k_H)$   
     $B \rightarrow A : h$   
     $B \leftarrow A : p$   
     $k_M = D_P(p \parallel u_c, n_S, i)$   
     $m = m_0 \parallel m_N \parallel \dots$   
     $cd = m$   
     $lp = lp + 1$   
    goto LOOP if  $lp < le$   
 $A \leftarrow B : m$

### Block 0 Decryption by B

$m_o = E_a^{-1}(m_E, n_{IV}, ad, k_M)$

### Block N Decryption by B

$t, v, pl, ad, m_E = cd_N$   
 $a, n_{IV} = ad$   
 $b = V(v, pl, ad, m_E, k_S, t)$   
if ! $b$  :  
     $A \leftarrow B : Err$   
 $m_N = E_a^{-1}(m_E, n_{IV}, ad, k_M)$

## Webauthn Variables

$u_n$  - A's chosen user name  
 $u_i$  - 128 bit user id guaranteed to be unique  
 $u_c$  - 256 bit user credential  
 $o$  - Quick Crypt origin "https://quickcrypt.org"  
 $ch$  - 256 bit challenge value  
 $ro$  - Registration options, including  $o, ch, u_i$   
 $rr$  - Registration response, including signed  $ch$   
 $ao$  - Authentication options, including  $o, ch$   
 $ar$  - Authentication response, including signed  $ch$   
 $cw$  - Alice's webauthn authenticator credentials

## Registration by A

$A \rightarrow B : u_n$   
 $B \rightarrow S : u_n, o$   
 $S$  create and store :  
     $u_i = G(128)$   
     $u_c = G(256)$   
     $ch = G(256)$   
 $B \leftarrow S : ro$   
 $B \rightarrow M : ro$   
 $A \rightarrow M : cw$   
 $M$  create and store passkey, sign  $ch$   
 $B \leftarrow M : rr$   
 $B \rightarrow S : rr, u_i, ch$   
 $S$  verify signature, store  $rr$ , remove  $ch$   
 $B \leftarrow S : u_i, u_n, u_c$   
 $A \leftarrow B : u_i, u_c$

## Authentication by A

$B \rightarrow S : o[, u_i]$   
 $S$  create and store :  
     $ch = G(256)$   
 $B \leftarrow S : ao$   
 $B \rightarrow M : ao$   
 $A \rightarrow M : cw$   
 $M$  sign  $ch$   
 $B \leftarrow M : ar$   
 $B \rightarrow S : ar, ch$   
 $S$  verify signature, remove  $ch$   
 $B \leftarrow S : u_i, u_n, u_c$

## Recovery from Lost Passkey by A

$A \rightarrow B : u_i, u_c$   
 $B \rightarrow S : u_i, u_c, o$   
 $S$  delete existing  $rr$ , create and store :  
     $ch = G(256)$   
 $B \leftarrow S : ro$   
 $B \rightarrow M : ro$   
 $A \rightarrow M : cw$   
 $M$  create and store passkey, sign  $ch$   
 $B \leftarrow M : rr$   
 $B \rightarrow S : rr, u_i, ch$   
 $S$  verify signature, store  $rr$ , remove  $ch$   
 $B \leftarrow S : u_i, u_n, u_c$