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## Remedy of EAP-in-EAP mode

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### 1. Motivation

According to IETF's security review, there was a comment and a suggestion on the "Authenticated EAP" mode.

#### 3. "Authenticated EAP" mode

[RFC3748] Section 2.1 states:

" An EAP conversation MAY utilize a sequence of methods. A common example of this is an Identity request followed by a single EAP authentication method such as an MD5-Challenge. However, the peer and authenticator MUST utilize only one authentication method (Type 4 or greater) within an EAP conversation, after which the authenticator MUST send a Success or Failure packet."

The prohibition on sequences of EAP methods was added to avoid a potential man-in-the-middle vulnerability described in [KEYFRAME] Section 6.4:

" As described in [I-D.puthenkulam-eap-binding], EAP method sequences and compound authentication mechanisms may be subject to man-in-the-middle attacks. When such attacks are successfully carried out, the attacker acts as an intermediary between a victim and a legitimate authenticator. This allows the attacker to authenticate successfully to the authenticator, as well as to obtain access to the network."

By enabling use of a sequence of EAP conversations without support for cryptographic binding, "Authenticated EAP" mode creates a vulnerability to man-in-the-middle attack.

IEEE 802.16e D8 Section 7.2.2.2 states:

"Note that this EAP authentication method shall not derive key material and PMK"

We assume this implies that the PMK generated by the second EAP authentication is not utilized, rather than a prohibition on EAP methods that derive keys.

However, not requiring the BS to demonstrate possession of PMKs from all EAP authentications enables the man-in-the-middle attack, described in [BINDING]. This is a critical vulnerability, and

we strongly suggest that IEEE 802.16e address it prior to publication.

**One potential way to achieve this is for cryptographic binding to be utilized so that the BS can demonstrate possession of all of the PMKs.**

<From the review.txt of IETF>

IETF suggested remedy for EAP in EAP mode in 802.16e.

## 2. Proposed solution

According to the review, “it is suggested that cryptographic binding to be utilized so that the BS can demonstrate possession of all of the PMKs”.

Although there was a suggested remedy, the BRC security subteam just removed the “EAP-in-EAP mode” instead of doing suggested remedy.

So, we propose the suggested remedy for this.

After MS and BS performs EAP in EAP mode according to authorization policy,

- 1) First EAP method generates PMK between MS and BS
- 2) Second EAP method generates PMK2 between MS and BS.

We shall have to generate AK

$AK \leftarrow \text{Dot16KDF}(PMK \parallel PMK2, BSID|MSID|AK, 160)$ ;

Finally the “middle-man” can be detected by SA-TEK 3 way handshake through sign by H/OMAC key derived from AK which is generated from PMK and PMK2.

## 3. Proposed Text Changes

*[Insert highlighted text and remove red texts in section 7.2.2.2.2 in page 212 of 802.16e/D9 ]*

### 7.2.2.2.2 EAP authentication

If a RSA mutual authorization took place before the EAP exchange, **or if the first EAP took place during EAP-in-EAP mode**, the EAP messages may be protected using EIK - EAP Integrity Key derived from pre-PAK (see 7.2.2.2.1) **or MSK**. EIK is 128 bits long.

The product of the EAP exchange which is transferred to 802.16 layer is the MSK. This key is derived (or may be equivalent to the 512-bits Master Session Key (MSK) ). This key is known to the AAA server, to the Authenticator\* (transferred from AAA server) and to the MS. The MS and the authenticator derive a PMK (Pairwise Master Key) and optional EIK by truncating the MSK to 288 bits. The PMK derivation from the MSK is as follows:

~~$PMK = \text{truncate}(MSK, 160)$~~

~~If more keying material is needed for future link ciphers, the key length of the PMK may be increased.~~

**The PMK and EIK derivation from the MSK during first EAP method is as follows:**

**$EIK \parallel PMK = \text{truncate}(MSK, 288)$**

**The PMK2 derivation from the MSK2 during second EAP method is as follow:**

**$PMK2 := \text{truncate}(MSK2, 160)$**

**If more keying material is needed for future link ciphers, the key length of the PMK may be increased.**

**After successful EAP based authorization, if the MS or BS negotiates authorization policy as “Authenticated EAP after**

EAP” mode, the authenticated EAP messages shall carry second EAP message. It shall cryptographically bind previous EAP authentication and following EAP authentication session, while protecting second EAP messages. In order to prevent “man-in-the-middle attack”, the second EAP method should fulfill the “mandatory criteria” listed in section 2.2 of RFC 4017

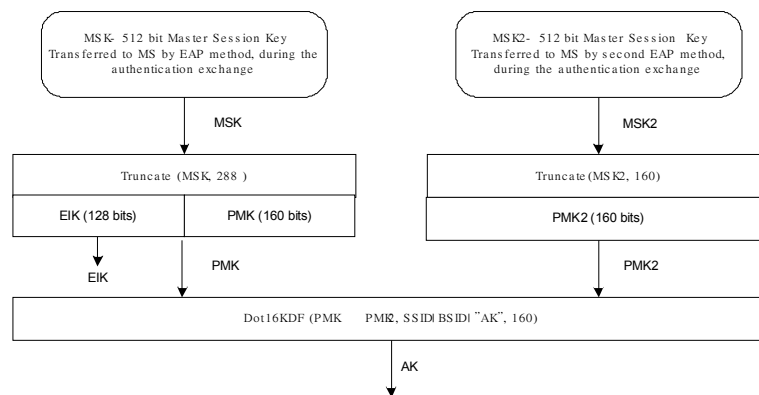
*[Insert highlighted lines at sub-clauses 7.2.2.2.3 in line 15 to 35 of page 213 in 802.16e/D9 as follows]*

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If (PAK and PMK)
    AK <= Dot16KDF (PAK PMK, SSID | BSID | "AK", 160)
Else If (PMK and PMK2)
    AK <= Dot16KDF (PMK PMK2, SSID | BSID | "AK", 160)
Else
    If (PAK)
        AK <= Dot16KDF (PAK, SSID | BSID | "AK", 160)
    Else
        AK <= Dot16KDF (PMK, SSID | BSID | "AK", 160)
    Endif
Endif
    
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*[Add following figure and text just after figure 133 in page 216 of 802.16e/D9]*

Figure 133a outlines the process to calculate the AK when EAP in EAP mode authentication exchange has taken place, first EAP yielding EIK and MSK and second EAP yielding MSK2.



**Figure 133a- AK with PMK and PMK2  
(EAP-based authorization and Authenticated EAP-based authorization)**

*[Change the row and insert new rows of table 133 in page 200]*

PMK	160	A key yield from the EAP-based authentication
<u>PMK2</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>A key yield from the second EAP authentication in case of authenticated EAP after EAP.</u>
<u>PMK/PMK2 lifetime</u> <u>lifetime</u>		The lifetime of PMK derived from EAP PMK lifetime, when authorization is achieved and the MSK is obtained. The value of PMK lifetime may be transferred from the EAP method or may be set by a vendor. <u>If MSK has infinite lifetime, PMK lifetime should be set to default PMK lifetime.</u> <u>In case of authenticated EAP after EAP, PMK/PMK2 lifetime is MIN(PMK lifetime, PMK2 lifetime).</u> <u>If both PMK and PMK2 have infinite value, PMK/PMK2 lifetime is set to default PMK lifetime.</u>
AK lifetime	160	This is the time this key is valid; it is calculated $AK\ lifetime = MIN(PAK\ lifetime, PMK\ lifetime)$ - when this expires, re-authentication is needed. <u>AK lifetime = MIN(PMK lifetime, PMK2 lifetime) in case of authenticated EAP after EAP</u>

*[Please insert the following sentence just after section 6.3.2.9.17 in page 50]  
~~and insert new rows of table 133 in page 200~~*

**PAK Sequence Number appears only if Authorization Policy is “Authenticated EAP after RSA authentication.” If authorization policy is “authenticated EAP after EAP”, PAK sequence number is not included in this message.**

*[Please change the section 6.3.2.3.9.15 in page 49]*

**6.3.2.3.9.15 PKMv2 EAP Start message**

When an MS seeks to initiate an EAP-based authentication or reauthentication procedure with a BS, it sends a PKMv2 EAP Start message.

Code: 17

This message has no attributes when it is used during initial authentication.

When this message is used to initiate the second EAP in case of authenticated EAP after EAP, this message is signed by EIK generated from the first EAP.

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Table 37da PKMv2 EAP Start message

<u>Attribute</u>	<u>Contents</u>
<u>MS_Random</u>	<u>Random number generated by MS</u>
<u>CMAC_Digest</u>	<u>CMAC Digest using EIK</u>

*[Please insert the following row into the table 343, section 10.2 in page 503]*

<u>BS</u>	<u>EAP_Start_Timeout</u>	<u>Time in seconds to wait for PKMv2_EAP_Start after the success of the first EAP in EAP-in-EAP mode</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
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