

DHCP-over-IKE

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Requirements

- ☐ do not reinvent name spaces
- ☐ provide client with all info it needs
- ☐ takes as few exchanges as possible (counting IPsec SAs too!)
- ☐ interfaces to existing infrastructure: DHCP, RADIUS, (new ones)
- ☐ optionally preserves possible end-to-end security in DHCP
- ☐ permits independant evolution of DHCP
- ☐ out-of-scope: IPv6 (for now)

Three methods

- ☐ DHCP-over-IPsec
- ☐ ModeCFG-over-IKE
- ☐ proposed - DHCP-over-IKE

DHCP-over-IPsec

- ☐ product of IPSRA
- ☐ make temporary 0.0.0.0/0<->0.0.0.0/0 SA for DHCP
- ☐ simple for Bump-In-the-Stack
- ☐ easy for all-in-one gateways
- ☐ leverages existing DHCP server

ModeCFG

- ☐ occurs in IKE, during message 3
- ☐ uses custom payload
- ☐ if you need DHCP info, you do it over IPsec SA
- ☐ easy to interface to radius/COPS/AAA/etc.

Why another

- ☐ DHCP is *the* method for configuring systems
- ☐ we should not invent new things here

DHCP-over-IKE vs DHCP-over-IPsec

- ☐ creating 0/0<->0/0 is VERY hard when crypto is offloaded
- ☐ client systems without virtual interfaces save no dhcp client code
- ☐ may have to leave 0/0 around for renewals
- ☐ gives some people the willies

DHCP-over-IKE vs ModeCFG

- modecfg is the same as DHCP-over-IKE, except for format of bits
- DHCP-over-IKE had a exchange 1.5, but can deal with this (maybe)
- DHCP-over-IKE preserves client<->server security (RFC3118)
- naturally extensible (just lean on DHC WG)
- can plug into Radius/COPS with mini-DHCP server/proxy
- talks to real DHCP server with no glue (very widely deployed)

Recent changes

- ☐ proposed that we eliminate DHCPOFFER/DHCPREQUEST messages
- ☐ if real DHCP server, server may deal with them
- ☐ gets rid of exchange 1.5 when no RFC3118
- ☐ leave exchange 1.5 in when RFC3118