

Group DOI for ISAKMP

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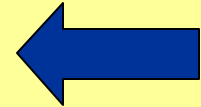
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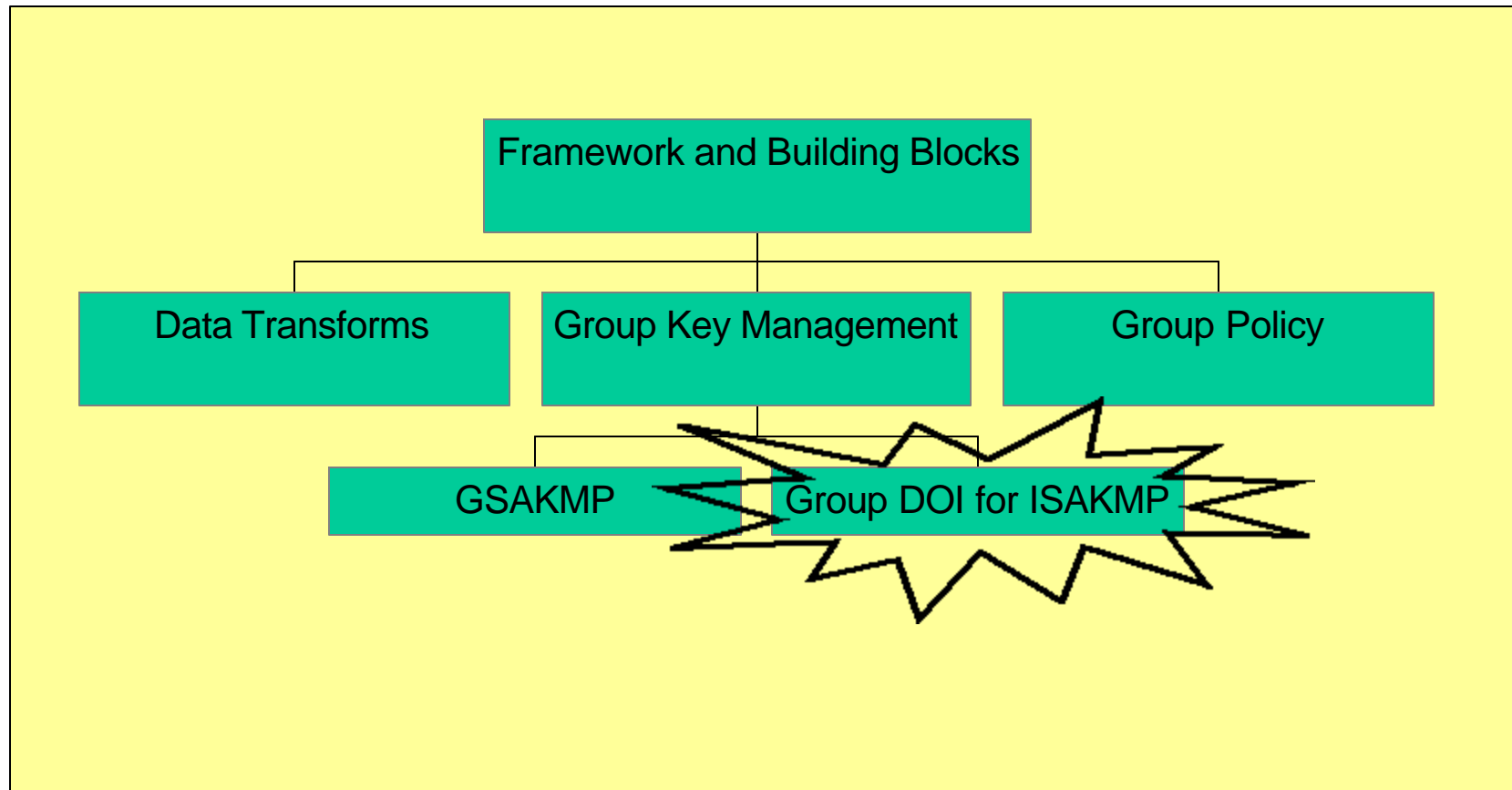
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SMUG Building Block Framework



Motivation for GDOI

- There will be a need for systems to protect both group and unicast traffic.
- Having two independent key mgmt frameworks on one system is unnecessarily complex.
- Many systems have implemented ISAKMP and IKE for unicast key mgmt.
- We believe that this environment can be used for group key mgmt.

ISAKMP (RFC 2408)

- General framework for key management
- Defines payloads for authentication, policy negotiation, and key generation.
- Defines basic key mgmt exchanges.
- Primarily used by IKE, but not restricted to IKE. E.g., KINK drafts use some ISAKMP payloads.

Domains of Interpretation

- ISAKMP provides for multiple domains of interpretation (DOIs)
- RFC 2407 defines one DOI for IPSEC
- Other DOIs can be easily defined for ISAKMP.

IPSEC DOI (RFC 2407) & IKE (RFC 2409)

- IPSEC DOI defines IPSEC-specific payloads and policy definitions
- IKE defines exchanges in two phases:
 - IKE Phase 1 sets up a “secure channel” between IKE peers.
 - IKE Phase 2 negotiates specific IPSEC policy.

IKE Phase 1

- Authenticates the peer.
- Negotiates “secure channel” policy.

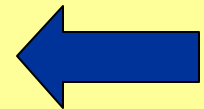
IKE Phase 1 services

- IKE Phase 1 provides the following security services for subsequent exchanges:
 - *Confidentiality* -- encryption of exchange payloads
 - *Integrity* -- HASH payload provides an HMAC
 - *Replay protection* -- NONCE payload provides liveness proof
 - *Generation of Phase 2 keying material*

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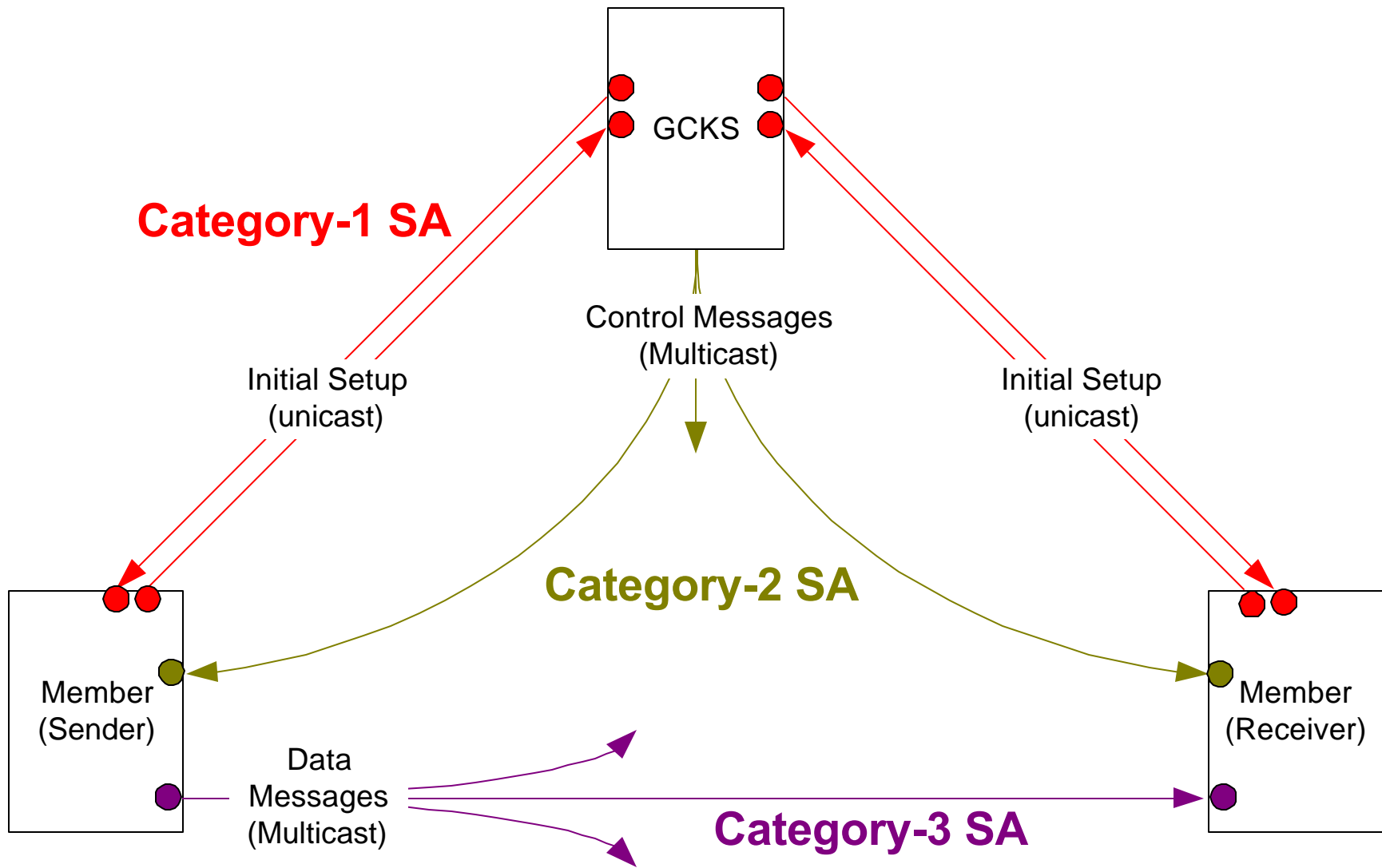


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Group DOI Overview

- Defines a temporary DOI number for ISAKMP and group policy definitions.
- Defines a new Category-1 SA (“Pull”) exchange for initial group key mgmt. This is sent through the IKE “secure channel”.
- Defines a Category-2 SA (“Push”) exchange for subsequent key updates. This exchange can be multicasted for efficiency.



“Push” Message

Member

GCKS or Delegate

<----- HDR* , SEQ , SA , KD , [CERT ,] SIG

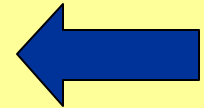
* Protected by (current) KEK after HDR

** SIG is over entire message including HDR, excluding SIG

The “cookie pair” in the ISAKMP HDR acts as a SPI which identifies the group.

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Proof of Concepts

- We started with the assertion that it would be reasonable to add GDOI to an IKE implementation.
- But is it really?
- A proof of concept test was done using the freely available *isakmpd* package.

Prototyping with isakmpd

- *isakmpd* is very modular, focused around DOI-specific functions.
- *isakmpd* has a well-defined state machine.
- New policy configuration statements can be added without affecting existing code.

Prototyping Results

- The Group DOI “pull” exchange was added to *isakmpd* in less than 2,000 lines of code.
- This represents < 10% increase in overall code size.
- Less than 400 (out of 28,000) existing lines were modified, nearly all to accommodate multiple DOIs.

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Current status

- Latest draft:
<http://www.securemulticast.org/draft-irtf-smug-gdoi-01.txt>
- Two independent implementations being written (Cisco and Nortel).
- Group DOI protocol specification under evaluation by Catherine Meadows, NRL.

Future Plans

- Revise the draft as necessary.
 - Fix inconsistencies
 - Investigate features necessary to support large groups.
- Complete the reference implementations and test with multicast applications.
 - Show interoperable implementations.
 - Add support for LKH key trees for scalability.