

# **Current Work and Future Trends in Selective Disclosure**

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# Agenda

Mike Jones – **Introductory remarks**

Daniel Fett – **SD-JWT**

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Tobias Looker – **Zero-Knowledge Proofs and BBS**

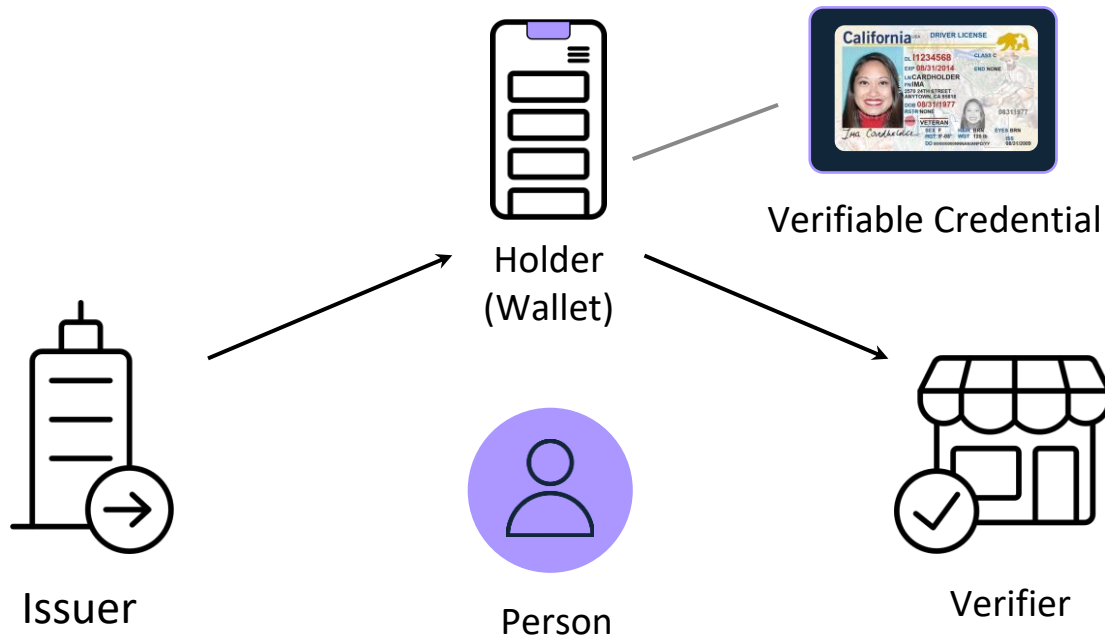
David Waite – **JSON Web Proofs and JOSE**

All – **Closing Remarks and Discussion**

# Selective Disclosure

- A lot of foundational work happening in Selective Disclosure right now
- Enables you to have a token with many claims and only release the claims necessary to the interaction
  - For instance, disclose your birthdate but not your home address
- Selective Disclosure enables Minimal Disclosure
- Sometimes uses Zero Knowledge Proofs (ZKPs) but not always necessary
- Real deployments under way
  - For instance, ISO Mobile Driving Licenses use Selective Disclosure

# Issuer / Holder / Verifier Model



# SD-JWT

'Simple' is a feature.

# Design Principles

## SD-JWT

Complexity	Selective disclosure, as simple as possible
Algorithms	Standard cryptography: JWS Signature + Hash function
Format	JWT & JSON
Security	Security-by-design Easy to understand & verify Hardware binding possible Cryptographic agility
Availability	Widely-available JWT libraries can be leveraged Already six independent implementations
Use Cases	Universal (beyond identity use cases)

# SD-JWT in 5 Simple Steps

## Step 1: Prepare User Data

```
{
  "iss": "https://example.com",
  "type": "IdentityCredential",
  "cnf": { "jwk": { "kty": "RSA", "n": "0vx....Kgw", "e": "AQAB" } },
  "credentialSubject": {
    "given_name": "Max",
    "family_name": "Mustermann",
    "email": "mustermann@example.com",
    "address": {
      "street_address": "Musterstr. 23",
      "locality": "Berlin",
      "country": "DE"
    }
  }
}
```



# SD-JWT in 5 Simple Steps

## Step 2: Create *Disclosures*

```
{
  "iss": "https://example.com",
  "type": "IdentityCredential",
  "cnf": { "jwk": { "kty": "RSA", "n": "0vx....Kgw", "e": "AQAB" } },
  "credentialSubject": {
    "given_name": "Max", ..... ["GO0r26nO-iW50ZcAoOilFw", "given_name", "Max"]
    "family_name": "Mustermann", ..... ["cSIbR135i0NjhsouMxrjgg", "family_name", "Mustermann"]
    "email": "mustermann@example.com", ..... ["oHDt43Vwuhpo8mzaprgCcw", "email", "mustermann@example.com"]
    "address": {
      "street_address": "Musterstr. 23", ..... ["rGc0KtY6WmflywTTKEWIEQ", "street_address", "Musterstr. 23"]
      "locality": "Berlin", ..... ["pGQMqX-2tH2XwC_eQCFn4g", "locality", "Berlin"]
      "country": "DE" ..... ["T115M8G5UIxPiWNZ-VLYBA", "country", "DE"]
    }
  }
}
```

↑  
salt

↑  
claim name

↑  
claim value

# SD-JWT in 5 Simple Steps

## Step 3: Hash Disclosures & Replace Original Claims

```
{
  "iss": "https://example.com",
  "type": "IdentityCredential",
  "cnf": {"jwk": {"kty": "RSA", "n": "0vx....Kgw", "e": "AQAB" }},
  "credentialSubject": {
    "_sd": [ "EW1o0egqa5mGcbytT5S-kAubcEjYEUwRkXlu2vC5I20", ← ["GO0r26nO-iW50ZcAoOilFw", "given_name", "Max"]
      "FEx-ITHt41I8_cn0SS-hvoLneX_RGIJo_8o2xRNhfdk", ← ["cSIbR135i0NjhsouMxrjgg", "family_name", "Mustermann"]
      "igg7H5fn2eBEMIEkE5Ckbn23QuwDJITYoKRip08dYIc" ], ← ["oHDt43Vwuhpo8mzaprgCcw", "email", "mustermann@example.com"]
    "address": {
      "_sd": [ "gqB5kmAwry88aHjaAeO-USX6JOMaojukKsheo3800c", ← ["rGc0KtY6WmflywTTKEWIEQ", "street_address", "Musterstr. 23"]
        "w8InvxsPXdKoowuVpyBMgl1b9_R2b6Xpa3OYOIjgQro", ← ["pGQMqx-2tH2XwC_eQCfn4g", "locality", "Berlin"]
        "vOnlYtcjr872fP3Wa75Ozl7c-6_MOVdiUnTWLKKxZw0" ] ← ["T115M8G5UIxPiWNZ-VLYBA", "country", "DE"]
    }
  }
}
```

# SD-JWT in 5 Simple Steps

## Step 4: Sign SD-JWT & Encode for Transport

```
{
  "iss": "https://example.com",
  eyJhbGciOiAiUmlrNTYiLCJkaXIjogImNBRUIVcUowY21MekQxa3pHemhlaUJhZzBZ
  UkF6VmRsZnhOMjgwTmdlYUeifQ_eyJpc3MiOiAiAiaHR0cHM6Ly9leGFtcGxlLmNvbS9pc
  3N1ZXliLCAiY25mIjogeyJqd2siOiB7Imt0eSI6IjSU0EiLCAibil6IjClwdng3YWdvZ
  WJHY1FTdS4uLi4tY3NGQ3VyLWtFZ1U4YXdhcEp6S25xREtndylsIjlljogIkFRQUlif
  X0siCj0eXBlljogIkZlZW50aXR5Q3JlZGVudGhbcClslCjcmVkZlZW50aWFsU3ViamVjd
  Cl6IHsiX3NkIjogWyJFVzFvMGVncWE1bUdjYn0VDVTLWtBdWJlRwZlRlV3UmtYbHUYd
  km1bDlwiwglkZFeC1JVEh0NDFJOF9jbJBTUy1odm9MbmVYX1JHbEpvXzhvMnhSTmhmZ
  GsilCAiUXhkVi0yVjFjOG1jbHRSNnZWQzRtM3JlVTVhTkG5d2RKejJVZG1Sb0kxRSIsI
  CjhdFVuMVRZd1JBBDRHUtdQZUV0WGFNdZjMnNHVjVGlKcG00DV3TTh2NjdFlwglmZU
  XczdmtrRUx3TDYFNnVZSzhIN3pCS0NidV91aWY2MFNsRzFwVhVJVEiLCAiaWdnN0g1Z
  m4yZUJFTUlfFa0U1Q2tibTlZUXV3REpsVFlvS1JpcDA4ZFJlYyIsIj0cFV0bDcwaHBVX
  3hucnZaaTBHaEdvUllxam10MXpZZ3Z2NUlZMEF4N0tjll0siCjHjZGRyZXNlZjogeyJfc
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  EludnhzUFhkS29vd3VWcHICTWdsMwI5X1lyJyZyGEzT11PSWpnlUXJvll19fSwglmlhd
  M8G5UIxPiWNZ-VLYBA", "country", "DE"]
  Cl6IDE1MTYyMzkwMjlsIjleHAiOiAxNTE2MjQ3MDlyLCAic2RfZGlnZXN0X2Rlcm12Y
  XRpb25fYWxnljogInNoYS0yNTYifQ.1UHEPtLLUXOT51jH3gg-3C-ZidWzsb9Un-VxmM
  VdQtTbLLhwDTB6HJtt15p43yCXTzdpizxtDI6fr07Tp0Dy_Umg3Q5_Fxj4WHnsVuVzu
  ASU8cFlGPI6xgH9D3w1G2hqepBS8DyQ5bA_p5kN_tKJVOP1xWhcQujRJ8kkEKQsRia4F
  hrBldl8f41wgu_ipPqh1x4BVI7GJCIZNx94nWPT7JUFkl6Y6JkhlF3S6gB0MxmtLae
  Y0qkuz8VeOZnfl_CDog55kVtkArorfol6D6TEjll_-w6YyU0PnlRjXJ0wrYfoyhNI8LK
  AP38QYmpdR7z_rsvHpQHzFAPTmevnhDg
}
```

# SD-JWT in 5 Simple Steps

## Step 5: Base64url-encode Disclosures for Transport

```
{  
  "iss": "https://example.com",  
  eyJhbGciOiAiUmluMyNTYiLCIAia2lkjogImNBRUIVcUowY21MekQxa3pHemhlaUJhZzBZ  
  UkF6VmRsZnhOMjgwTmdlYUeifQ.eyJpc3MiOiAiAiaHR0cHM6Ly9leGFtcGxlLmNvbS59pc  
  3N1ZXliLCAiY25mljogeyJqd2siOiB7Imt0eSI6IChSU0EiLCAibil6IChwdng3YWdvZ  
  WJHY1FTdS4uLi4tY3NGQ3VyLWtFZ1U4YXdhcEp6S25xREtndyIsIChlIjogIkFRQUIf  
  X0siCj0eXBlljogIkklkZW50aXR5Q3JIZGVudGhbcisCjcmVkZw50aWFSu3ViamVjd  
  Cl6IHsiX3NkljogWyJFVzFvMGVncWE1bUdjYnI0VDVTLWtBdWJjRWpZRVV3UmtYbHUyd  
  kM1bDlwiwglkZfE1JVEh0NDFJOF9jbjBTUy1odm9MbmVYX1JHbEpvXzhvMnhSTmhmZ  
  GsilCAiUXhkVi0yVjFIQ1jBHRSNnZWQzRtM3JlVThTkG5d2RKejJVZG1Sb0kxRSIsI  
  CJhdFVuMVRZd1JbBDRHUtdQZUV0WGFNdZjMnNHVJVGlkGkG0ODV3TTh2NjdFliwglmZUT  
  XczdmtrUx3TDFYtnVZShIN3pCS0NidV91aWY2MFNsRzFweVhJVVEiLCAiaWdnN0g1Z  
  m4yZUJFUlFa0U1Q2tibTizUXV3REpsVFlvS1JpcDA4ZFIYyIsICh0cFV0bDcwaHBVX  
  3hucnZaaTBHaEdvUllxam10MXpZZ3Z2NUlZMEF4N0tjll0siChZGRyZXNzljogeyJfc  
  2QiOiBblmdxQjVrbUF3eXJ5ODhhSGphQWVPLVVTWDZKT01hb2p1a0tzaGVvMzhPMGMiL  
  CAidk9ubFI0Y2pyODcyZiAzV2E3NU96bDdjLTZFTU9WZEIVnR3TEtleFp3MCIscj0  
  EludnhzUfhkS29vd3VWcHICTWdsMwI5X1lyYjZyGEzT1PSWpnlUXJvll19fSwglmlhd  
  Cl6IDE1MTYyMzkwMjIsIChleHAiOiAiAiaXNTE2MjQ3MDIyLCAic2RfZGlnZXN0X2Rlcm12Y  
  XRpb25fYWxnljogImNoYS0yNTYifQ.1UHEPtLLUXOT51jH3gg-3C-ZidWzsb9Un-VxmM  
  VdQtTbLLhWDTB6Htt15p43yCXTzdpizxtDI6fr07TpoDy_Umg3Q5_Fxj4WHnsVuVzu  
  ASU8cFlGPI6xgH9D3w1G2hqepBS8DyQ5bA_p5kN_tKJVoP1xWhcQujRJ8kkEKQsRia4F  
  hrBldl8f41wgu_ipPqh1x4BVI7GJCIZNx94nWPT7JUFkl6Y6JkahlF3S6gB0MxtrlAe  
  Y0qkuz8VeOZnfl_CDog55kVTKArorfoL6D6TEjI_-w6YyU0PnlRjXJ0wrYfoyhNI8LK  
  AP38QYmpdR7z_rsvHpQHzFAPTmevnhDg  
}  
}
```

→ Done!



Issuer

Issuance

End-User  
(Holder)

Presentation

Verifier

**SD-JWT**  
plain-text claims  
+ hashed Disclosures

```
{
  "iss": "https://example.com",
  "exp": 1680000000,
  "typ": "JWT",
  "alg": "RS256",
  "aud": "https://example.com",
  "sub": "1234567890",
  "iat": 1680000000,
  "nbf": 1680000000,
  "jti": "1234567890",
  "disclosures": [
    {
      "salt": "1234567890",
      "claim_name": "name",
      "claim_value": "value"
    }
  ]
}
```

✓ signed  
by Issuer

**Disclosures**  
salt + claim name + claim value

```
WyJrSEhWOTUtdEFadDhtOUU0Smw0WGJRIiwIdpdmVux25hbWU1LCA1Sm9obiJld
WyJQak1xcEdXbDRlQjRRcm9EaHRdZB3IiwImZhbWlseV9uYW11IiwgIkRvZS5Jd
WyJ4bWlQNEpadeEXSUGtTgtFRHQtbY1BIiwgImN0cmV1dF9hZGRyZXNzIiwgIkRvZXR0cmV1dCAX110
WyJLdGZzeHhUbTJtdzBZTFVjS1pVOHRBIiwgImxvY2FsaXR5IiwgIkFueXRvd241XQ
```

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plain-text claims  
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```
{
  "iss": "https://example.com",
  "exp": 1680000000,
  "typ": "JWT",
  "alg": "RS256",
  "aud": "https://example.com",
  "sub": "1234567890",
  "iat": 1680000000,
  "nbf": 1680000000,
  "jti": "1234567890",
  "disclosures": [
    {
      "salt": "1234567890",
      "claim_name": "name",
      "claim_value": "value"
    }
  ]
}
```

✓ signed  
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**Selected Disclosures**  
salt + claim name + claim value

```
WyJrSEhWOTUtdEFadDhtOUU0Smw0WGJRIiwIdpdmVux25hbWU1LCA1Sm9obiJld
WyJQak1xcEdXbDRlQjRRcm9EaHRdZB3IiwImZhbWlseV9uYW11IiwgIkRvZS5Jd
```





# Verification

- Verify SD-JWT signature
- Hash over disclosed Disclosures
- Find hash digests in SD-JWT
- Replace disclosed claims in SD-JWT
- Check holder binding, if required.

Verification requires hash check!

Done!



# SD-JWT with JWS using JSON serialization (proposal)

```
{
  "payload": "eyJpc3MiOiAiAiaHR0cHM6L...Z0NGpUOUYySFpRln19fQ",
  "protected": "eyJhbGciOiAiRVMyNTYifQ",
  "header": {
    "kid": "e9bc097a-ce51-4036-9562-d2ade882db0d"
  },
  "signature": "mcndQ15m-4FblzyfB...U2ZX7g",
  "disclosures": [
    "WyJkcVR2WE14UzBHYTEb2FHbmU5eDBRliwglmN1YiIsICJqb2huX2RvZV80MiJd",
    "WylzanFjYjY3ejl3a3MwOHp3aUs3RXIRliwglmdpdmVuX25hbWUiLCAiSm9obiJd",
    "WyJxUVdtakpsMXMxUjRscWhFTkxScnJ3liwglmZhbWlseV9uYW1lliwglkR7SjJd"
  ]
}
```

Payload as in SD-JWT

Disclosures

# Compatibility

- Can be used with any JSON-based data format
  - JSON-LD
  - W3C-VC Data Model
  - OpenID Connect for Identity Assurance (OIDC4IA)
- Flexibility regarding holder binding
  - External signature
  - Key distribution
- Makes no assumptions on the transport protocol
  - E.g., OIDC4VC

# Available, Testable, Auditable

All examples in specification generated via [reference implementation](#):

[oauthstuff/draft-selective-disclosure-jwt](#) (Python)

tooling might be separated into another GH repo in the future

```
### Produce SD-JWT
sdjwt = SDJWT(
    user_claims,
    issuer,
    ISSUER_KEY,
    HOLDER_KEY,
    iat,
    exp,
)
```

Independent open-source implementations:

- Kotlin: [IDunion/SD-JWT-Kotlin](#)
- Rust: [kushaldas/sd\\_jwt](#)
- TypeScript: [christianpaquin/sd-jwt](#)
- TypeScript: [chike0905/sd-jwt-ts](#)
- Typescript: [OR13/vc-sd-jwt](#) **NEW**
- Java: [authlete/sd-jwt](#) **NEW**

# IETF OAuth WG Draft

<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-fett-oauth-selective-disclosure-jwt/>



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# mdoc

with one small caveat...

# mdoc/MSO basics

- Defined in the ISO/IEC 18013-5 (<https://www.iso.org/standard/69084.html>)
  - focuses on mobile driving licence scenarios but can be used in other use-cases, too, in theory
- Includes a selective disclosure mechanism based on the salted hash values
- Expressed in CBOR
  - because NFC/BLE, “be happy it’s not ASN.1”
- mdoc is defined as “document or application that resides on a mobile device or requires a mobile device as part of the process to gain access to the mdoc”.
  - **Not originally defined as a “credential format”.**
- Mobile Security Object (MSO) is the issuer-signed object, contains digests

# MSO (mobile security object) structure

```
MobileSecurityObject = {  
  "digestAlgorithm" : tstr, ; Message digest algorithm used  
  "valueDigests" : ValueDigests, ; Array of digests of all data elements  
  "deviceKey" : DeviceKey, ; Device key in COSE_Key as defined in RFC 8152  
  "docType" : tstr, ; DocType as used in Documents  
  "validityInfo" : validity of the MSO and its signature  
}
```

Blinds claim name by using “digestID”

# mdoc response (presentation)

```
IssuerSignedItem = {  
  "digestID" : uint, ; Digest ID for issuer data authentication  
  "random" : bstr, ; Random value for issuer data authentication  
  "elementIdentifier" : DataElementIdentifier, ; Data element identifier  
  "elementValue" : DataElementValue ; Data element value  
}
```

- Issuance is entirely out of scope.
  - How to send this mapping of directID, random (salt), claim name and claim value during issuance is not defined.
  - there is also DeviceSigned. again how the issuer communicates IssuerSigned vs DeviceSigned is not defined.



# mdocs: other facts

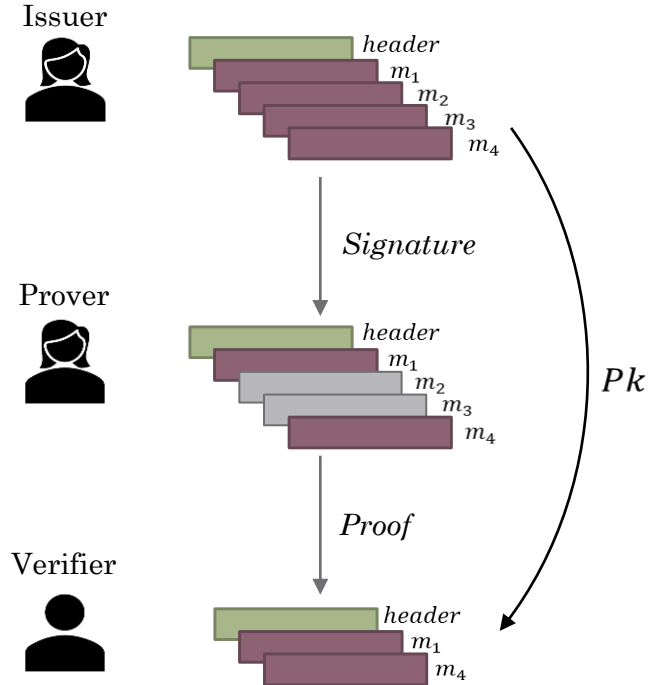
- predicates: `age\_over\_NN` claim
- unlinkability: issue the same copy of the credential with different User public key that can be used per verifier (to prevent RP-RP' unlinkability)
- refresh: can be only the issuer's signature over hashes, or the entire "mdoc"

# Zero-Knowledge Proofs and BBS

# Overview of ZKPs

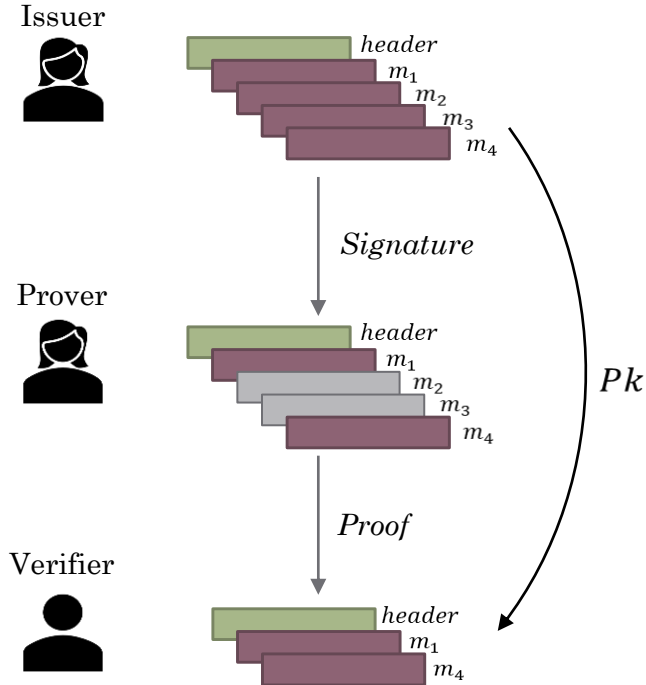
- ZKPs refer to a family of cryptographic algorithms and techniques which allow a proving party to prove a given statement is true without revealing any additional information.
- ZKPs have a variety of possible applications including with verifiable credentials.
- The BBS Signature scheme is one such algorithm that meets these properties.

# How does BBS work?



- The Signer can sign multiple messages and a header with a constant size signature.
- The prover can generate a (randomized) proof for a subset of the signed messages.
- The verifier can validate that proof on those messages and header with the issuers public key.
- The header must always be disclosed by the Prover (intended to contain things like the algorithm identifier).

# Some deeper details on BBS



- Based on pairing based cryptography
  - Leverages curves like BLS 12-381
  - Scheme is currently a work item of the IRTF CFRG
  - Multiple independent interoperable implementations
    - MATTR pairing\_crypto
    - <https://github.com/Wind4Greg/grotto-bbs-signatures>
    - <https://github.com/dyne/zenroom>
    - <https://github.com/christianpaquin/bbs-signature>
    - <https://github.com/hyperledger/aries-bbssignatures-rs>
- Note** - There are several more implementations that haven't aligned to the latest draft

# Key Properties of interest from ZKPs for Verifiable Credentials

- Selective Disclosure: The ability to sign multiple messages/payloads and enable an intermediary (holder/prover) to selectively reveal messages from the set, while proving integrity back to the issuer.
- Unlinkable Proofs: Ability to generate proofs that are unlinkable from a cryptographic perspective. *A property that is impossible to achieve with existing digital signature schemes.*
- Private Holder Binding: Ability to bind a credential/signature to a key pair managed by the holder/verifier in a manner such that the public key isn't revealed during proof presentation to a verifier. *A property that is impossible to achieve with existing digital signature schemes.*

# JSON Web Proofs and JOSE

# What is JOSE?

JOSE is an abbreviation for JSON Object Signing and Encryption

It is an IETF working group which has defined representations of various security systems as JSON

- **Digital Signatures**
- **Encryption**
- **Message Authentication Codes**
- **Cryptographic Key representations**

The content being signed/encrypted *does not need* to be JSON, but often is.



# Some Places that JOSE is Leveraged

JOSE aids applications in defining interoperable data protections, such as:

- **Cross-domain single sign** (profiled under OpenID Connect and FAPI)
- Supporting automation of retrieving/renewing **TLS certificates** (as ACMEv2)
- **Signaling** a security event happened, such as email **account compromise** (OpenID RISC/SSF)
- Allowing **VOIP systems** to interface across networks (SIP/STIR)
- Representing **identity credentials** about a person or other entity (W3C Verifiable Credentials)

# Why are Identity Credentials Different?

- Identity Credentials often have **active participation** by a user agent
- They may hold significantly **more sensitive and identifying information**
- They may be used multiple times over an **extended lifetime**, creating new **risks of correlation**

This user agent (e.g. *wallet*) is an important stakeholder in the security system.

It needs additional capabilities and controls to limit the information being shared

# JSON Web Proofs

A new work item in the *reanimated* JOSE Working Group

Goal to support newer cryptographic techniques for controlling information sharing, and supply features such as:

- Selective Disclosure
- Unlinkability
- Pseudonymity
- Computed answers (predicates)

Some of these may be achievable using existing techniques, while others may require new technologies like zero-knowledge proofs or even verifiable compute

# JSON Web Proof work

- New containers representing information facets as individual payloads
- Issued/presented forms, analogous to credentials and presentations

## JSON Proof Algorithms

- Describe how existing algorithms (and emerging ones like BBS) can be used
- What capabilities they provide for limiting information disclosure
- How to represent cryptographic material using JSON Web Keys

## JSON Proof Tokens

- A token format comparable to JWTs for representing claims built on top

# Conclusion

- JSON Web Proofs are meant to aid in privacy-critical use cases
- Target needs of future credential adoption
  - long-lived credentials
  - rich records like medical/educational transcripts
- Early draft stage, welcome comments and assistance
- Some early prototypes, further implementations welcomed



Draft Specifications

# Closing Remarks and Discussion