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## Introduction

This document specifies cryptographic mechanisms to redact authentic data where the redactable attestation scheme is based on asymmetric mechanisms.

Attestation schemes, in particular digital signature schemes or message authentication codes, can be used to provide data integrity and data origin authentication. Redactable attestation can be used to blank out parts, herein called fields, of an attested message without invalidating the attestation on the remaining contents of the message. This redaction process requires a redaction key. The redaction key computationally does not reveal the attestation key, by which schemes can allow for public redactions. Any other modification of the document (e.g. redaction of other message parts, or insertion/modification of any parts) will invalidate the attestation. Schemes can have specific additional security properties, which are described in ISO/IEC 23264-1. The achievable properties for each scheme are stated in this document.

Redactable attestation schemes are a basic building block in many privacy-preserving applications, such as privacy-preserving data sharing or authentication, where a party may decide to forward only necessary information to a receiver, while the latter is still assured that the received information was previously attested, for example, by a public authority.

The objective of the ISO/IEC 23264 series is to remedy existing incompatibilities or inconsistently defined properties found in academic literature, and to ease the real-world adoption of this technology. Specifically, the goal of this document is to focus on algorithms that enable the authenticity-preserving redaction of general data structures like sets or ordered lists based on asymmetric cryptography. It adheres to the common terminology and description of cryptographic properties for redactable attestation schemes given in ISO/IEC 23264-1.

The ISO/IEC 23264 series complements ISO/IEC 27038, which specifies the redaction of digital documents without considering the authenticity of the data.

This document contains the following algorithms based on asymmetric cryptography:

- generic construction from signature schemes and hash-functions
- scheme SBZ02-MERSAProd
- scheme BBDFFKMOPPS10
- scheme DPSS15
- scheme MHI06
- scheme MIMSYTI05

# Information security — Redaction of authentic data —

## Part 2:

# Redactable signature schemes based on asymmetric mechanisms

## 1 Scope

This document specifies cryptographic mechanisms to redact authentic data. The mechanisms described in this document offer different combinations of the security properties defined and described in ISO/IEC 23264-1. For all mechanisms, this document describes the processes for key generation, generating the redactable attestation, carrying out redactions and verifying redactable attestations.

This document contains mechanisms that are based on asymmetric cryptography using three related transformations:

- a public transformation defined by a verification key (verification process for verifying a redactable attestation),
- a private transformation defined by a private attestation key (redactable attestation process for generating a redactable attestation), and
- a third transformation defined by the redaction key (redaction process) allowing to redact authentic information within the constraints set forth during generation of the attestation such that redacted information cannot be reconstructed.

This document contains mechanisms which, after a successful redaction, allow the attestation to remain verifiable using the verification transformation and attest that non-redacted fields of the attested message are unmodified. This document further details that the three transformations have the property whereby it is computationally infeasible to derive the private attestation transformation, given the redaction and or the verification transformation and key(s).

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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