MASQUE Implementation

Status Update: 21Mar22

Reminder

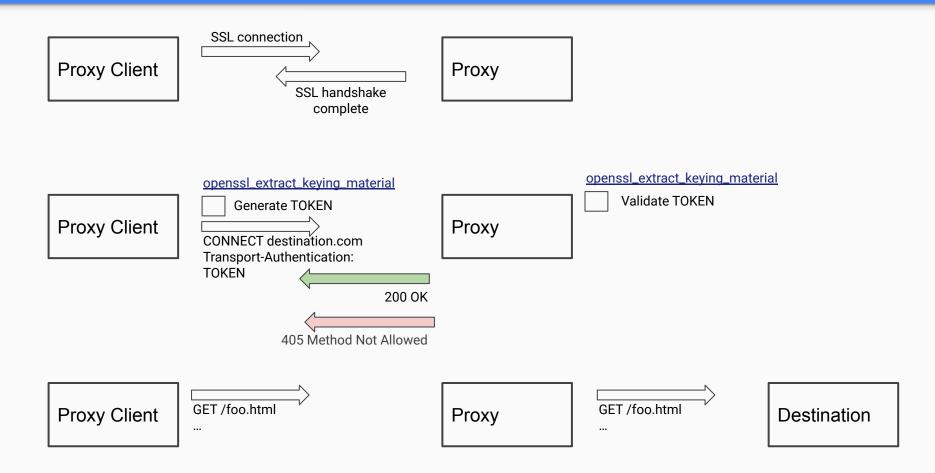
- MASQUE: Multiplexed Application Substrate over QUIC Encryption
 - Started small ("generalized VPN"), got big ("defining future modes of IP Transport Layer proxying")
 - "Multiplexed" meaning "diverse services gathered within a generalized resource"
- IETF Working Group chartered to pursue requirements definition and specific mechanisms to implement requirements
 - Use cases of interest to Human Rights and Internet Freedom included in requirements definition

HTTP Transport Authentication

- The "rump stub" of the original MASQUE
- Proposed enhancement to HTTP CONNECT method, authenticating the TRANSPORT not the REQUEST
 - Consonant with unique semantics of the CONNECT method
 - Reuses existing authentication schemes (e.g. "user/password") and supports extension/addition of others
 - Fails "silently" (issuing standard 405 Method Not Allowed response code) to discourage active probing

Standards document: <u>draft-schinazi-httpbis-transport-auth-05</u>

HTTP Transport Authentication



Implementation Status

- At IETF113 Hackathon (Vienna, March 2022)
 - Completed an initial implementation of HTTP Transport Authentication using HMAC
 - open-source fork of Google Conscrypt stack
 - Vagrant-based demonstration
 - Published to <u>GitLab</u>