

- **Defining security properties for OAuth-like protocols and client-side flows**
  - Separate doc for long-term vision (BCP or separate draft?)
- Evaluating mitigations and protocol extensions
- Analyzing mitigations

# Security properties for OAuth 2.0

- ~~Proof of possession~~
  - Also a form of authentication, addressed with token bindings
- Containment
  - Eliminate infoleaks/extraction through Referrer, Fragment, server logs
- Authentication
  - Allow endpoints to identify sender and receiver (caller URL/origin)

# Evaluating mitigations and protocol extensions

## Implementation level:

- TLS vs. HTTP
- OS vs. browser vs. application
- Provider vs. client

## Amount of protection:

- Which security properties it addresses?
- Does this cover the missing property(ies) fully?
- Which mitigations it obsoletes?

## Implementation costs:

- Complexity and cost of deployment
  - People won't implement what they don't understand or what's hard
- Deprecation costs
  - Every breaking change should have a very clear business objective

# Evaluating mitigations and protocol extensions:

## Mix-Up: iss + client\_id returned in response

Implementation level:

- Application-level
- **Provider** + **client** (requires protocol change)

Amount of protection:

- Property: Authentication
- **Not covers authentication fully** (URL params are spoofable from *web attacker*), just the Mix-Up

Implementation costs:

- Complexity: **medium** (new response\_type + params check on client)
- Deprecation costs: no (backward compatible)

# POST binding + Origin check

POST https://provider/oauth

**Origin: client.com**

...

client\_id={client\_id}&redirect\_uri={redirect\_uri}&state={state}

↓

**is client.com permitted for {client\_id}?**

↓

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

...

<form action="{redirect\_uri}" method="POST">...

# POST binding + Origin check to mitigate IdP MixUp

POST {redirect\_uri}

**Origin: provider.com**

...

code={code}&state={state}

↓

**is provider.com the origin we expect to handle for this {state} or current session?**

↓

code → token exchange

login

...

# Evaluating mitigations and protocol extensions: POST binding with Origin check

## Implementation level:

- Application-level
- **Provider** + **client** (requires protocol change)

## Amount of protection:

- Property: Authentication + Containment
- **Covers authentication** (almost) **fully** (Origin header is not spoofable from *web attacker*)
  - Almost because Origin has domain, not full endpoint URL
- **Covers containment** (almost) **fully**
  - Except 307 redirect leaks

## Implementation costs:

- Complexity: **low**
- Deprecation costs: **high** (migrate provider + client flows)