

802.1X / dot1x supplicant support on AOS-CX switches

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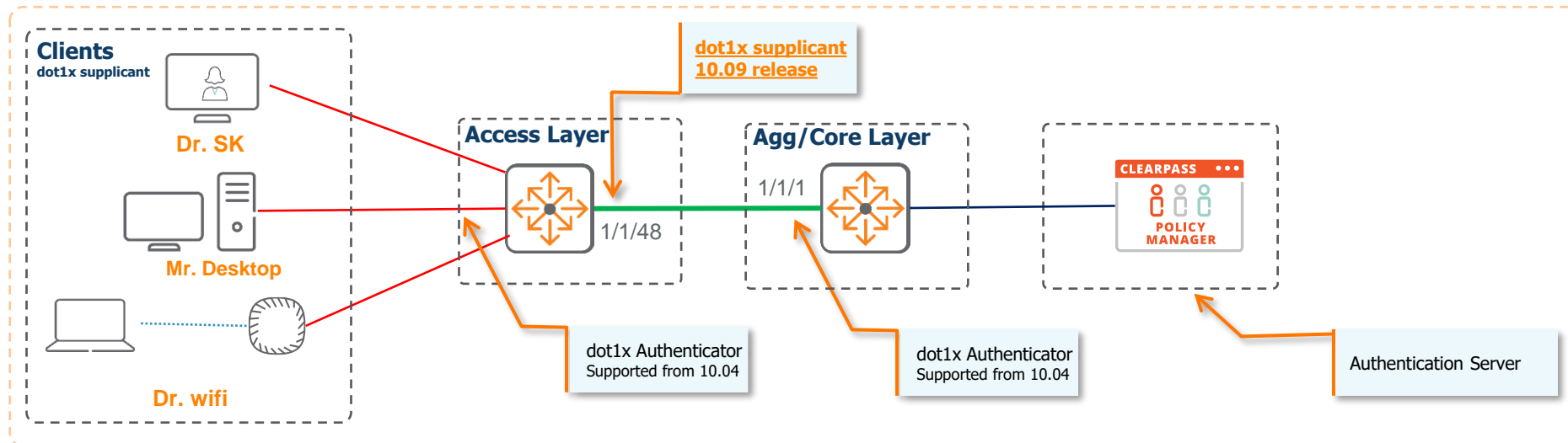
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Overview

AOS-CX 10.09: dot1x supplicant

- dot1x authentication involves three entities:
 - a **supplicant** (PC/AP/Clients/ **Access Switches**)
 - an **authenticator**, (Aruba AOS-CX Switches)
 - an **authentication server** (Aruba ClearPass)
- **dot1x authenticator** feature is supported from AOS-CX 10.04 release.
- To secure network infrastructure, **dot1x supplicant** feature is supported from AOS-CX 10.09 release.



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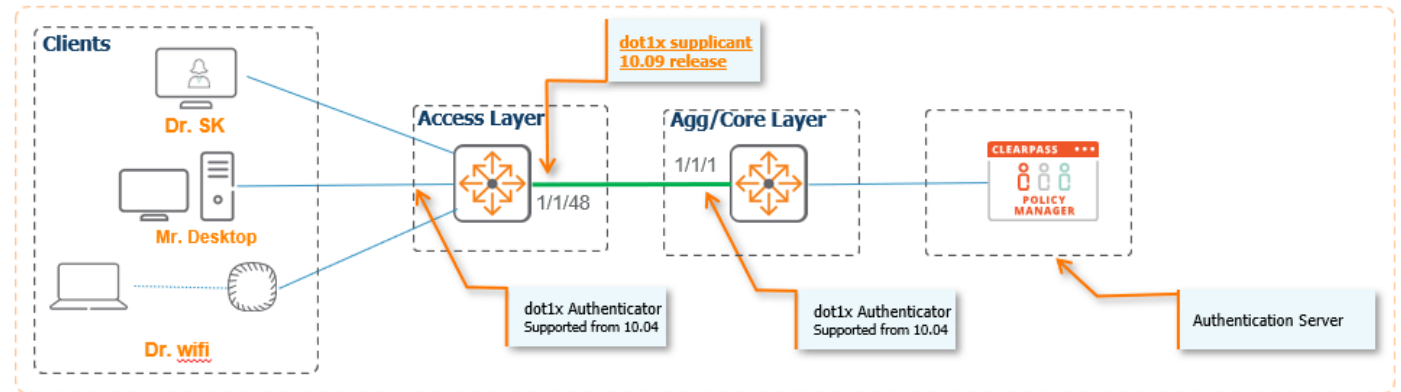
Details and Caveats

dot1x supplicant support on AOS-CX Switches

dot1x Features	10.09 Support	Not Supported
Standard	IEEE 802.1X - 2010	
EAP Methods	EAP-TLS EAP-MD5	EAP-TLS based MACsec (client MACsec)
Certificate	User Defined EST enrollment	IDevID ZTP workflow
Interface Type	Only L2 Physical Interface	L2/L3 LAG, RoP
MIB	NA	dot1x 2010 PAE MIB
AOS-CX platforms	4100i, 6000, 6100 6200, 6300, 6400, 8360	8320, 8325, 8400, 10000
Mutual Exclusion Feature	Same interface support dot1x supplicant and dot1x authenticator	Infrastructure MACsec and dot1x supplicant on same interface not supported

AOS-CX dot1x supplicant sub-features

- eap-method (Default: eap-tls)
- canned-eap-success (Default: disabled)
- eapol-force-multicast (Default: disabled)
- fail-mode (Default: fail-open)
- start-mode (Default: start-open)
- eapol-protocol-version (Default: 3)



dot1x Supplicant- eapol-force-multicast

With force-multicast

9	20.0133505	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAPOL	60 Start
10	23.0105443	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, Identity
11	23.0653438	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAP	60 Response, Identity
12	23.0704217	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
15	23.1777594	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
18	23.2622143	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
20	23.2920139	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
21	23.3455545	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	TLSv1.2	60 Certificate, Client Key Exchange
23	23.5293962	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
24	23.5658402	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Success

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Ethernet II, Src: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2), Dst: Nearest (01:80:c2:00:00:03)

- Destination: Nearest (01:80:c2:00:00:03)
Address: Nearest (01:80:c2:00:00:03)
.....0. = LG bit: Globally unique address (factory default)
.....1. = IG bit: Group address (multicast/broadcast)
- Source: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2)
Address: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2)
.....0. = LG bit: Globally unique address (factory default)
.....0. = IG bit: Individual address (unicast)

Type: 802.1X Authentication (0x888e)

Padding: 00

802.1X Authentication

Version: 802.1X-2004 (2)

Type: EAP Packet (0)

Length: 10

Extensible Authentication Protocol

Code: Response (2)

Id: 50

Length: 10

Type: Identity (1)

Identity: cxtme

Without force-multicast

3	2.45342260	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, Identity
4	2.45721908	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
5	2.51042288	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	TLSv1.2	291 Client Hello
6	2.51526036	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	1022 Server Hello, Certificate, Server
7	2.56544412	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
8	2.57167828	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	1022 Server Hello, Certificate, Server
9	2.62545024	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
10	2.62766672	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	97 Server Hello, Certificate, Server
11	2.69589280	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	TLSv1.2	1181 Certificate, Client Key Exchange,
12	2.69960828	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	79 Change Cipher Spec, Encrypted Hand
13	2.74330108	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
14	2.77665216	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Success

EAP-TLS Length: 2057

[3 EAP-TLS Fragments (2057 bytes): #6(994), #8(994), #10(69)]

Secure Sockets Layer

- TLSv1.2 Record Layer: Handshake Protocol: Server Hello
- TLSv1.2 Record Layer: Handshake Protocol: Certificate
Content Type: Handshake (22)
Version: TLS 1.2 (0x0303)
Length: 1566
- Handshake Protocol: Certificate
Handshake Type: Certificate (11)
Length: 1562
Certificates Length: 1559
- Certificates (1559 bytes)
Certificate Length: 786
- Certificate (id-at-commonName=Server)
Certificate Length: 767
- Certificate (id-at-commonName=My CA)
signedCertificate
algorithmIdentifier (sha256withRSAEncryption)
Padding: 0
encrpted: 90d958d8c52e42a00b9160cda95ddef3a5d442d423860f9eabefc7e1e8cf22279a7d9cbd7ca81c2

dot1x Supplicant- canned EAP success

With canned EAP success

```
43 373.239301 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, Identity
44 373.256460 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb EAP 60 Response, Identity
45 373.256973 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, Identity
46 373.312343 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb EAP 60 Response, Identity
48 374.240224 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Success

Frame 48: 60 bytes on wire (480 bits), 60 bytes captured (480 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb (64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb), Dst: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2)
802.1X Authentication
  Version: 802.1X-2004 (2)
  Type: EAP Packet (0)
  Length: 4
Extensible Authentication Protocol
  Code: Success (3)
  Id: 116
  Length: 4
```

Without canned EAP success

```
10 23.0105443 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, Identity
12 23.0704217 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
14 23.1284256 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 1022 Server Hello, Certificate, Server Key Exchange, Certificate Request, Server Hello Done
16 23.1807842 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 916 Server Hello, Certificate, Server Key Exchange, Certificate Request, Server Hello Done
18 23.2622143 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
20 23.2920139 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
22 23.3504022 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 79 change cipher Spec, Encrypted Handshake Message
24 23.5658402 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Success

Frame 24: 60 bytes on wire (480 bits), 60 bytes captured (480 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb (64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb), Dst: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2)
802.1X Authentication
  Version: 802.1X-2004 (2)
  Type: EAP Packet (0)
  Length: 4
Extensible Authentication Protocol
  Code: Success (3)
  Id: 56
  Length: 4
```

Note: Canned EAP success configuration required on both dot1x supplicant and authenticator

dot1x Supplicant EAP-Method: EAP-TLS EST enrollment certificate

```
3 18.3917984 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, Identity
9 18.3943937 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb EAP 60 Response, Identity
0 18.3971691 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
L 18.4511413 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb TLSv1.2 291 Client Hello
2 18.4543625 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 1022 Server Hello, Certificate, Server Key Exchange, Certificate Request, Server Hello Done
3 18.5064220 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb EAP 60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
4 18.5088125 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 916 Server Hello, Certificate, Server Key Exchange, Certificate Request, Server Hello Done
5 18.5858135 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb TLSv1.2 1426 Certificate, Client Key Exchange, Certificate Verify, Change Cipher Spec, Encrypted Handshake Message
5 18.5885172 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
7 18.6184155 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb TLSv1.2 1422 Certificate, Client Key Exchange, Certificate Verify, Change Cipher Spec, Encrypted Handshake Message
3 18.6212420 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
9 18.6784016 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb TLSv1.2 60 Certificate, Client Key Exchange, Certificate Verify, Change Cipher Spec, Encrypted Handshake Message
0 18.6848995 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 79 Change Cipher Spec, Encrypted Handshake Message
L 18.8826333 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb EAP 60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
2 18.9137312 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Success
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type: TLS EAP (EAP-TLS) (13)
+ EAP-TLS Flags: 0xc0
EAP-TLS Length: 1882
+ [2 EAP-TLS Fragments (1882 bytes): #12(994), #14(888)]
- Secure Sockets Layer
+ TLSv1.2 Record Layer: Handshake Protocol: Server Hello
- TLSv1.2 Record Layer: Handshake Protocol: Certificate
Content Type: Handshake (22)
Version: TLS 1.2 (0x0303)
Length: 1215
- Handshake Protocol: Certificate
Handshake Type: Certificate (11)
Length: 1211
Certificates Length: 1208
- Certificates (1208 bytes)
Certificate Length: 691
+ Certificate (pkcs-9-at-emailAddress=yashavantha.n.n@hpe.com,id-at-commonName=10.5.6.21,id-at-organizationalUnitName=Aruba,id-at-organizationName=HPE,id-at-
Certificate Length: 511
+ Certificate (pkcs-9-at-emailAddress=yashavantha.n.n@hpe.com,id-at-commonName=danest-int2,id-at-organizationalUnitName=Aruba,id-at-organizationName=HPE,id-at-
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EAP-TLS
EST enroll

dot1x Supplicant EAP-Method: EAP-TLS - User defined certificate

3	2.45342260	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, Identity
4	2.45721908	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
5	2.51042288	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	TLSv1.2	291 Client Hello
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7	2.56544412	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
8	2.57167828	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	1022 Server Hello, Certificate, Server Key Exchange, Certificate Request, Server Hello Done
9	2.62545024	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
10	2.62766672	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	97 Server Hello, Certificate, Server Key Exchange, Certificate Request, Server Hello Done
11	2.69589280	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	TLSv1.2	1181 Certificate, Client Key Exchange, Certificate Verify, Change Cipher Spec, Encrypted Handshake Message
12	2.69960828	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	79 Change Cipher Spec, Encrypted Handshake Message
13	2.74330108	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
14	2.77665216	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Success

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    Version: TLS 1.2 (0x0303)
    Length: 1566
  - Handshake Protocol: Certificate
    Handshake Type: Certificate (11)
    Length: 1562
    Certificates Length: 1559
  - Certificates (1559 bytes)
    Certificate Length: 786
    + Certificate (id-at-commonName=Server)
      Certificate Length: 767
  - Certificate (id-at-commonName=My CA)
    + signedCertificate
    + algorithmIdentifier (sha256withRSAEncryption)
      Padding: 0
      encrypted: 90d958d8c52e42a00b9160cda95ddef3a5d442d423860f9eabefc7e1e8cf27279a7d9cbd7ca81c2272adafbff306400bb16b1e5a...
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show crypto pki certificate client / in Issuer

dot1x Supplicant EAP-Method: EAP-MD5

3	13.2643496	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	Nearest	EAP	60 Request, Identity
4	13.3772607	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAPOL	60 Start
5	16.2744073	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, Identity
6	16.3186489	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, Identity
7	16.3222886	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
8	16.3747264	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, Legacy Nak (Response only)
9	16.3766834	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, MD5-Challenge EAP (EAP-MD5-CHALLENGE)
10	16.4307104	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, MD5-Challenge EAP (EAP-MD5-CHALLENGE)
11	16.4648877	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Success

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Ethernet II, Src: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2), Dst: 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb (64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb)
802.1X Authentication
Version: 802.1X-2010 (3)
Type: EAP Packet (0)
Length: 6
Extensible Authentication Protocol
Code: Response (2)
Id: 100
Length: 6
Type: Legacy Nak (Response only) (3)
Desired Auth Type: MD5-Challenge EAP (EAP-MD5-CHALLENGE) (4)

EAP-MD5

EAP-MD5

dot1x Supplicant support on AOS-CX CX_SWes

AOS-CX_SW dot1x supplicant	AOS-CX dot1x supplicant
Implements the dot1x 2004 standard.	Implements the dot1x 2010 standard.
Only support EAP-MD5 for authentication.	Supports EAP-TLS and EAP-MD5 for authentication.
Designed to use only CX_SW base mac address	Designed to use only interface MAC address
eapol-protocol-version 2	eapol-protocol-version 2 & 3(default)

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Configuration

AOS-CX dot1x supplicant certificate enrollment

- Associates a leaf certificate with a feature (application) on the switch. By default, all features are associated with the default, self-signed certificate local-cert. This certificate is created by the switch the first time it starts.

```
Access-CXSW(config)# show crypto pki application
```

Associated Applications	Certificate Name	Cert Status

captive-portal		not configured, using local-ce
dot1x-supplicant	est_certificate1	valid
est-client		not configured, using local-ce
https-server		not configured, using local-ce
radsec-client		not configured, using local-ce
syslog-client		not configured, using local-ce

```
Access-CXSW(config)# crypto pki application
```

```
captive-portal    Captive Portal
dot1x-supplicant  802.1X supplicant
est-client        EST Client
https-server      HTTPS Server
radsec-client     RadSec Client
syslog-client     Syslog Client
```

```
Access-CXSW(config)# crypto pki application
```

```
Access-CXSW(config)# show crypto pki certificate
```

Certificate Name Applications	Cert Status	EST Status	Associated

CX_SUP	installed	n/a	none
client	installed	n/a	none
local-cert	installed	n/a	captive-portal,
est-client, https-server, radsec-client, syslog-client			
est_certificate1	installed	enroll success	dot1x-supplicant
device-identity	installed	n/a	none
Access-CXSW(config)#			



AOS-CX dot1x supplicant

- Enable dot1x supplicant on the system. **By default, dot1x supplicant is disabled on the system.**
- Create a **dot1x supplicant policy**
- eapol-protocol-version:
 - Configure the EAPoL protocol version to use in EAPoL frames

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)#
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# enable
```

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_dot1x_suppliant_uplink
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)#
```

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# enable
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# eapol-protocol-version
<2-3> Specify the protocol version. (Default: 3)
```

dot1x supplicant- Sub features

- **canned EAP success:** Configure the CX_SW to accept an EAP success from the authenticator without going through the complete authentication cycle.

Note: Canned EAP success configuration required on both dot1x supplicant and authenticator

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_dot1x_suppliant_uplink
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# canned-eap-success
no canned-eap-success (default)
```

With canned EAP success

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12 23.0704217 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
14 23.1284256 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 1022 Server Hello, Certificate, Server Key Exchange, Certificate Request, Server Hello Done
16 23.1807842 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 916 Server Hello, Certificate, Server Key Exchange, Certificate Request, Server Hello Done
18 23.2622143 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
20 23.2920139 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
22 23.3504022 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 TLSv1.2 79 change cipher Spec, Encrypted Handshake Message
24 23.5658402 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 EAP 60 Success
```

Frame 24: 60 bytes on wire (480 bits), 60 bytes captured (480 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb (64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb), Dst: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2)
802.1X Authentication
Version: 802.1X-2004 (2)
Type: EAP Packet (0)
Length: 4
Extensible Authentication Protocol
Code: Success (3)
Id: 56
Length: 4

dot1x Supplicant- EAPoL force multicast

EAPoL force multicast: Configure the dot1x supplicant to send only multicast EAPoL packets irrespective of receiving unicast EAPoL packets from the authenticator.

```
CX SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
```

```
CX SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX Policy
```

```
CX SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# eapol-force-multicast
```

no eapol-force-multicast (default)

9	20.0133505	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAPOL	60 Start
10	23.0105443	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, Identity
11	23.0653438	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAP	60 Response, Identity
12	23.0704217	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-T)
15	23.1777594	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-T)
18	23.2622143	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-T)
20	23.2920139	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-T)
21	23.3455545	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	TLSv1.2	60 Certificate, Client Key
23	23.5293962	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	Nearest	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-T)
24	23.5658402	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Success

```

Frame 11: 60 bytes on wire (480 bits), 60 bytes captured (480 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2), Dst: Nearest (01:80:c2:00:00:03)
  Destination: Nearest (01:80:c2:00:00:03)
    Address: Nearest (01:80:c2:00:00:03)
      ....0. .... = LG bit: Globally unique address (factory default)
      ....1. .... = IG bit: Group address (multicast/broadcast)
  Source: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2)
    Address: 8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2 (8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2)
      ....0. .... = LG bit: Globally unique address (factory default)
      ....0. .... = IG bit: Individual address (unicast)

```

[illegible]

802.1X Authentication
Version: 802.1X-2004 (2)
Type: EAP Packet (0)
Length: 10

```

- Extensible Authentication Protocol
  Code: Response (2)
  Id: 50
  Length: 10
  Type: Identity (1)
  Identity: cxtme

```

With force-multicast

3	2.45342260	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, Identity
4	2.45721908	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Request, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
5	2.51042288	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	TLSv1.2	291 Client Hello
6	2.51526036	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	1022 Server Hello, Certificate, Server
7	2.56544412	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
8	2.57167828	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	1022 Server Hello, Certificate, Server
9	2.62545024	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
10	2.62766672	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	97 Server Hello, Certificate, Server
11	2.69589280	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	TLSv1.2	1181 Certificate, Client Key Exchange,
12	2.69960828	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	TLSv1.2	79 Change Cipher Spec, Encrypted Har
13	2.74330108	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP	60 Response, TLS EAP (EAP-TLS)
14	2.77665216	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	EAP	60 Success

```
EAP-TLS Length: 2057
[3 EAP-TLS Fragments (2057 bytes): #6(994), #8(994), #10(69)]
```

- Secure Sockets Layer

④ TLSv1.2 Record Layer: Handshake Protocol: Server Hello

[-] TLSv1.2 Record Layer: Handshake Protocol: Certificate

Content Type: Handshake (22)

Version: TLS 1.2 (0x0303)

Length: 1566

- Handshake Protocol: Certificate

Handshake Type: Certificate (11)

Length: 15

Certificates Length: 1559

Certificates (1559 bytes)

Certificate Length: 786

④ Certificate (id-at-comm)

Certificate Length: 767

[-] Certificate (id-at-commonName=Mv CA)

- signedCertificate

algorithmIdentifier (sha256withRSAEncryption)

padding: 0

```
encrypted: 90d958d8c52e42a00b9160cda95ddef3a5d442d423860f9eabefc7e1e8cf22279a7d9cbd7ca81c2
```

Without force-multicast

dot1x Supplicant- Sub features

- max-retries: Configure the maximum number of authentication attempts before authentication fails.
- eapol-timeout: Configure the time period (in seconds) to wait for a response from an authenticator before reattempting authentication.
- EAP method: Configure the EAP method to use for authentication.

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_supplicant_Policy
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# max-retries 5
max-retries 2 (default)
```

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_supplicant_Policy
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# eapol-timeout 10
eapol-timeout 30 (default)
```

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_supplicant_Policy
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# eap-method eap-md5
eap-method eap-tls (default)
```

dot1x Supplicant- Sub features

- EAP identity: Configure the EAP identity to use for authentication. The information includes an identity string and an optional password.
- discovery-timeout: Configure the time period (in seconds) to wait for a potential dot1x authenticator on the other end before considering the link to be non dot1x capable and opening the interface on the data-plane. On a timeout, the switch will not use the authentication result to determine the forwarding behavior of the interface until a link flap. If not set, the switch will wait for the dot1x authentication cycle to complete before determining the forwarding state of the interface.

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_Policy
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# eap-identity identity yash
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# eap-identity password plaintext CXTME
```

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_Policy
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# discovery-timeout 15
no discovery-timeout (default)
```


dot1x Supplicant- Sub features

- Held-period: Configure the time period (in seconds) to wait after a failed authentication attempt before another attempt is permitted.
- start mode: Configure the forwarding behavior of the interface on the data-plane when the authentication is in-progress during the first run of the supplicant.
- fail mode: Configure the forwarding behavior of the interface when the dot1x authentication fails.
- **dot1x supplicant restart**: Configure the EAPoL protocol version to use in EAPoL frames

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_supplicant_Policy
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# held-period 30
held-period 60 (default)
```

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_Policy
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# start-mode start-closed
start-mode start-open (default)
```

```
CX_SW(config)# aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp)# policy CX_Policy
CX_SW(config-dot1x-supp-policy)# fail-mode fail-closed
fail-mode fail-open (default)
```

```
CX_SW # port-access dot1x supplicant restart
interface Restart the 802.1X supplicant for specified interfaces
<cr>
```

dot1x supplicant show commands

```
CX_SW# show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant status
```

```
802.1X Supplicant Status
```

Interface	Policy	PAE State	Authenticator	EAP Method	Status
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1/1/1	CX_Policy_01	Authenticated	38:21:c7:59:ad:27	EAP-TLS	Secured
1/1/2	CX_Policy_02	Authenticating	38:21:c7:59:ad:28	EAP-MD5	Blocked
1/1/3	CX_Policy_01	Unauthenticated	38:21:c7:59:ad:29	EAP-TLS	Fail-Open
1/1/4	CX_Policy_03	Unauthenticated	--	--	Open

1. `show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant policy`
2. `show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant status`
 1. `show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant status interface 1/1/1 802.1X Supplicant Status`
3. `show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant statistics`
4. `diag-dump dot1x-supplicant basic`
5. `port-access dot1x supplicant restart`
6. `show tech dot1x-supplicant [local-file]`

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Best Practices

AOS-CX dot1x supplicant configuration

Recommended dot1x supplicant configuration

```
aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
enable

policy cx_dot1x_suppliant_uplink_1
    eap-identity identity cxtme
    eap-identity password plaintext setpasswd ### (EAP-MD5)
    discovery-timeout 60
    start-mode start-closed
    fail-mode fail-closed

interface 1/1/48
    aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    associate policy cx_dot1x_suppliant_uplink_1
    enable
```

New Show commands

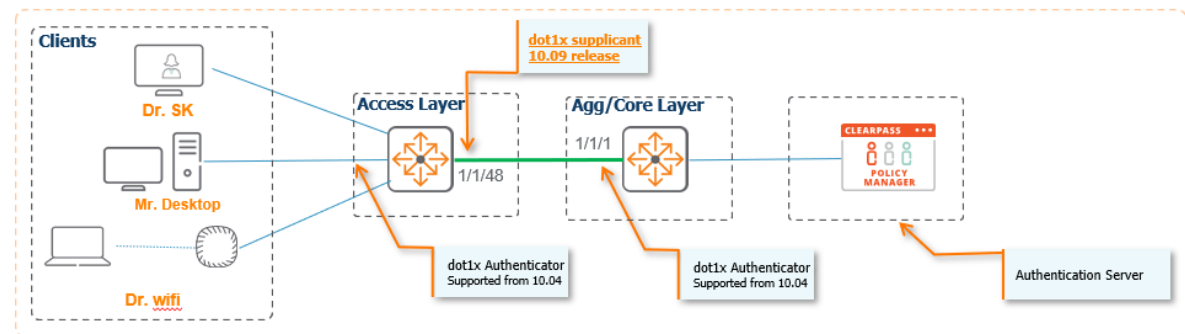
```
show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant status
```

```
CXdot1xsuppliant# sh aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant status
```

```
802.1X supplicant Status
```

Interface	Policy	PAE State	Authenticator	EAP Method	Status
1/1/48	cx_dot1x_supp...	Authenticated	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP-TLS	Secured

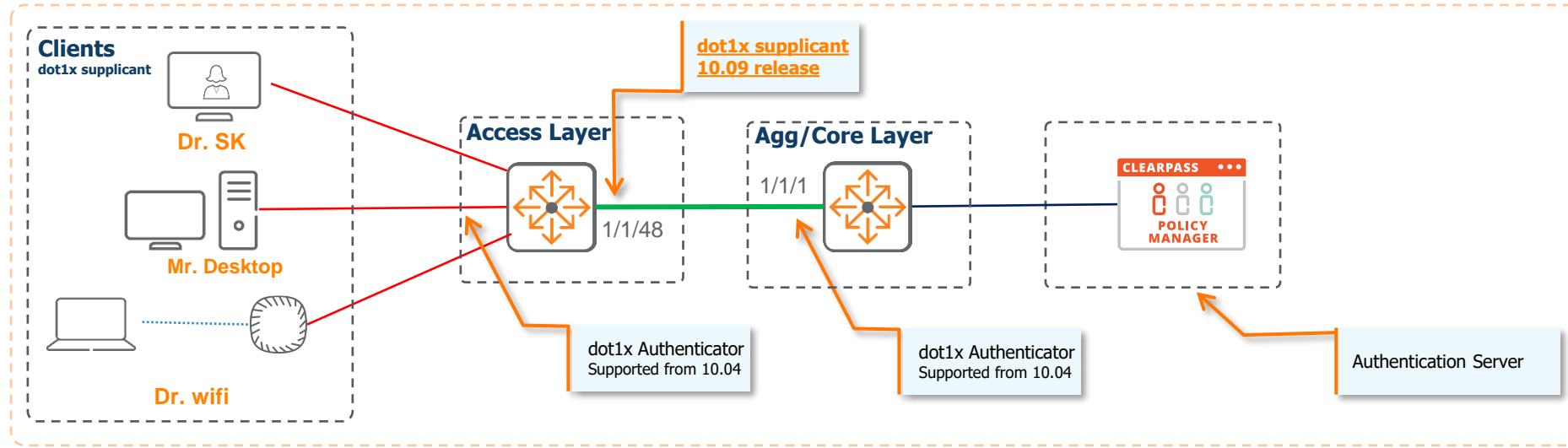
```
CXdot1xsuppliant#
```



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Troubleshooting

Recommended troubleshooting flow



- Have a topology diagram ready
- Ensure IPs, interface details are included
- Check physical cabling and generate “show tech” when opening a TAC case
- Check network: show LLDP neighbor, ensure underlay network works using ping and traceroute between loopbacks and interfaces, fix any issues found

1. Check dot1x supplicant policy configuration

2. Check dot1x supplicant policy is associated to right uplink interface

3. Check dot1x authenticator switch interface eapol is reaching and authenticator has required configuration

4. Check radius server configuration

5. Check required certificate are installed and attached to right application

AOS-CX dot1x supplicant configuration

Recommended dot1x supplicant configuration

```
aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
enable

policy cx_dot1x_suppliant_uplink_1
    eap-identity identity cxtme
    eap-identity password plaintext setpasswd ### (EAP-MD5)
    discovery-timeout 60
    start-mode start-closed
    fail-mode fail-closed

interface 1/1/48
    aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    associate policy cx_dot1x_suppliant_uplink_1
    enable
```

New Show commands

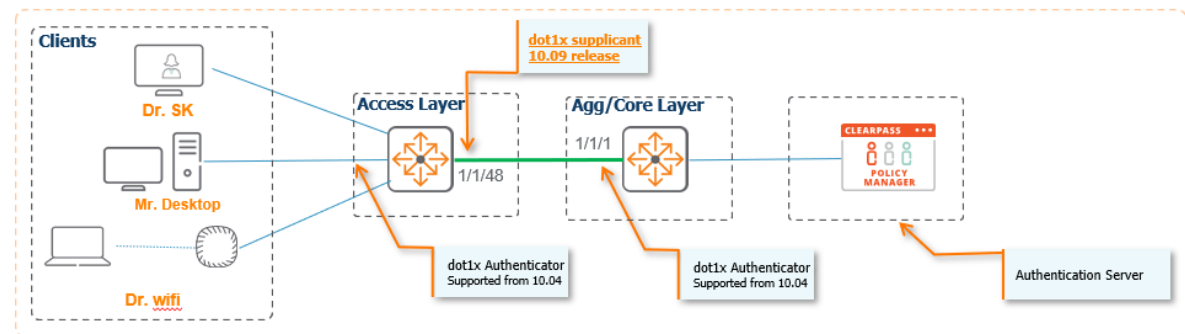
```
show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant status
```

```
CXdot1xsuppliant# sh aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant status
```

```
802.1X supplicant Status
```

Interface	Policy	PAE State	Authenticator	EAP Method	Status
1/1/48	cx_dot1x_supp...	Authenticated	64:e8:81:b8:e3:fb	EAP-TLS	Secured

```
CXdot1xsuppliant#
```



AOS-CX dot1x authenticator configuration

Recommended dot1x supplicant configuration

```
interface 1/1/5

aaa authentication port-access client-limit 5

    aaa authentication port-access dot1x authenticator
    enable

    aaa authentication port-access mac-auth
    enable

radius-server tracking interval 60

radius-server tracking retries 2

radius-server host 50.1.1.2 key ciphertext
AQBapdAz4irjSK6lZg/CFArsNYWKbn1LObqDD/v9SH1eMQ6ABQAAADY26li
u tracking enable tracking-mode dead-only
```

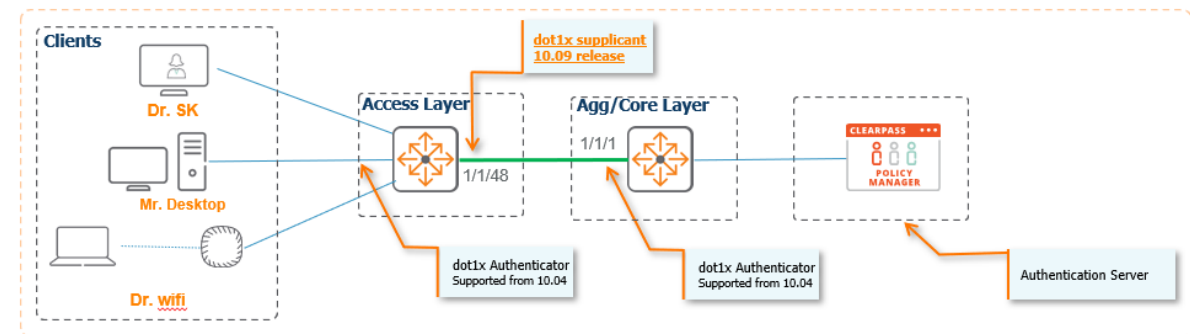
New Show commands

```
Agg-Core-CXSW# show port-access clients
```

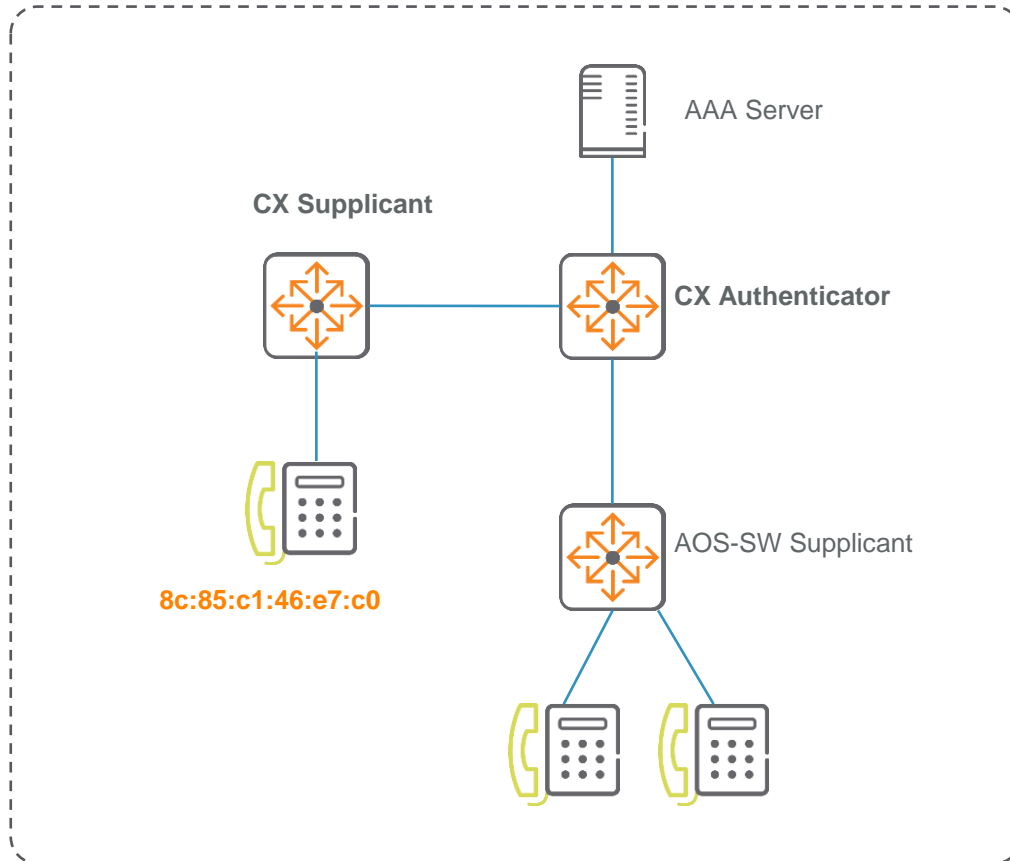
Port Access Clients

Status Codes: d device-mode, c client-mode, m multi-domain

Port	MAC-Address	Onboarding Method	Status	Role	Device Type
c 1/1/5	8c:85:c1:46:e7:d2	dot1x	Success	RADIUS_652982728	
c 1/1/5	8c:85:c1:46:e7:c0	mac-auth	Success	RADIUS_652982728	

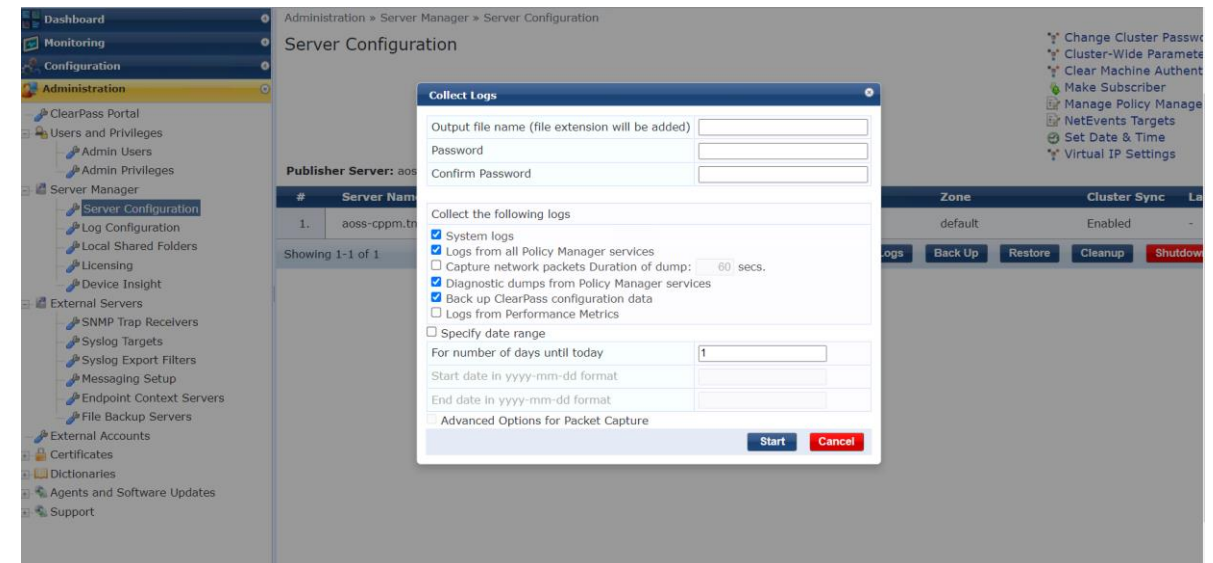


Troubleshooting - Mirror



```
mirror session 1
enable
destination interface 1/1/40
source interface 1/1/51 both
```

```
Mirror session 1
Source interface 1/1/1 both
Destination CPU
enable
diag utilities tshark file
copy tshark-pcap tftp://10.80.2.187/supplicant.pcap vrf mgmt
```



dot1x supplicant Troubleshooting

New Show & Tech Command	<pre>show crypto pki certificate show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant policy show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant status show aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant statistics show running-config aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant port-access dot1x supplicant restart diag-dump dot1x-supPLICANT basic show tech dot1x-supPLICANT [local-file]</pre>
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New Event Logs				
Daemon	Event ID	Severity	Message	Description
dot1x-suppD	12301	INFO	dot1x supplicant has blocked the interface {iface}.	The dot1x supplicant is blocking the interface on the data-plane.
dot1x-suppD	12302	INFO	dot1x supplicant has unblocked the interface {iface}.	The dot1x supplicant is opening the interface on the data-plane.
dot1x-suppD interface.	12303	INFO	dot1x supplicant PAE restarted on interface {iface} due to change in policy {policy}.	The dot1x supplicant PAE is restarted due to a change in the policy used on the
dot1x-suppD	12304	ERR	dot1x supplicant is not supported on the port {port}.	The dot1x supplicant is enabled on a port that is not supported (Ex: LAG, ROP).

New Debug Logs			
Daemon	Severity	Message	Description
dot1x-suppD	INFO	dot1x supplicant FSM for PAE with MAC {mac} transitioned from {old-state} to {new-state}.	The dot1x supplicant PAE's state machine has changed state.
dot1x-suppD	INFO	dot1x supplicant status on interface {iface} changed from {old-status} to {new-status}.	The dot1x supplicant status changed on the interface.

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Demo

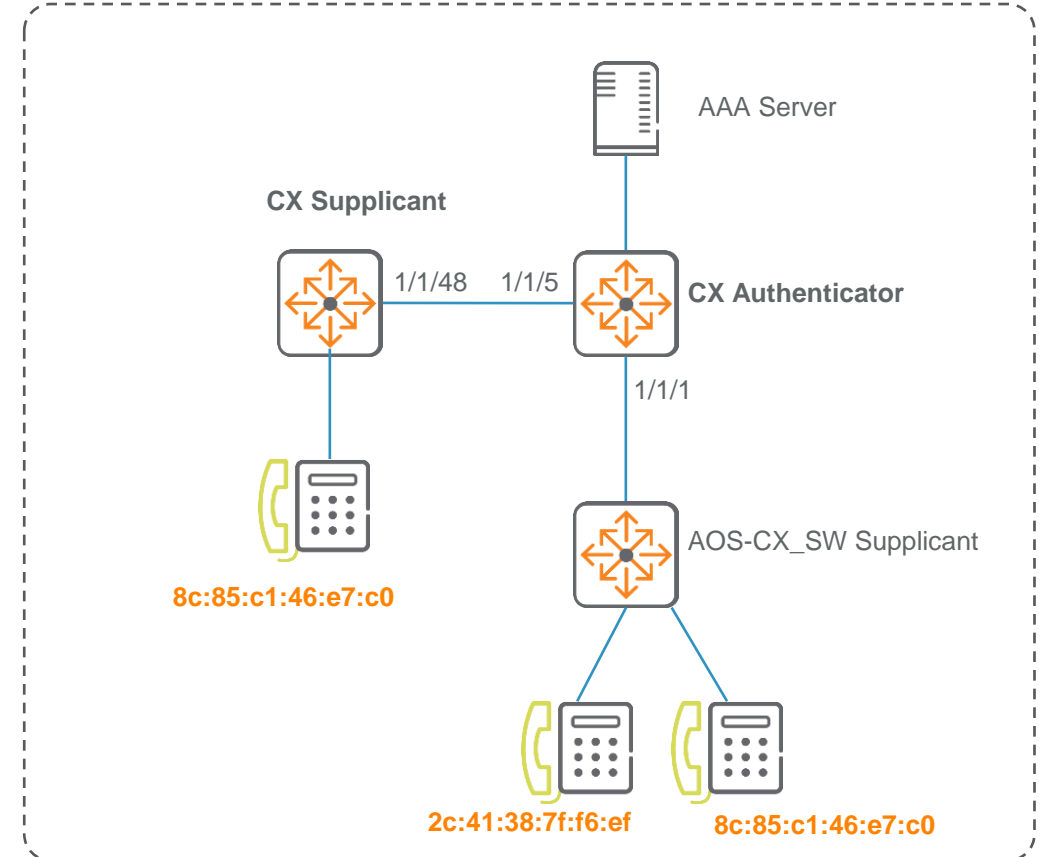
Demo: dot1x supplicant

- EAP-Method
 - EAP-TLS
 - User-defined Certificate
 - EST enrollment
 - EAP-MD5
- start-mode & fail-mode
- canned eap success
- eapol-force-multicast

dot1x Supplicant: EAP-TLS User defined Certificate

```
crypto pki application dot1x-suppliant certificate client

aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    enable
    policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
        eap-identity identity cxtme
interface 1/1/48
    aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    associate policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
    enable
```



dot1x Supplicant: EAP-TLS User defined Certificate

Access-CXSW(config)# crypto pki application dot1x-supplicant certificate client

Access-CXSW(config)# end

Access-CXSW# sh crypto pki certificate

Certificate Name	Cert Status	EST Status	Associated Applications
client	installed	n/a	dot1x-supplicant
local-cert client, syslog-client	installed	n/a	captive-portal, est-client, https-server, radsec-
est_certificate1	installed	enroll success	none
device-identity	installed	n/a	none

Access-CXSW#

Access-CXSW# show crypto pki certificate client pem

Certificate Name: client

Associated Applications:

dot1x-supplicant

Certificate Status: installed

EST Status: n/a

Certificate Type: regular

Intermediates:

none

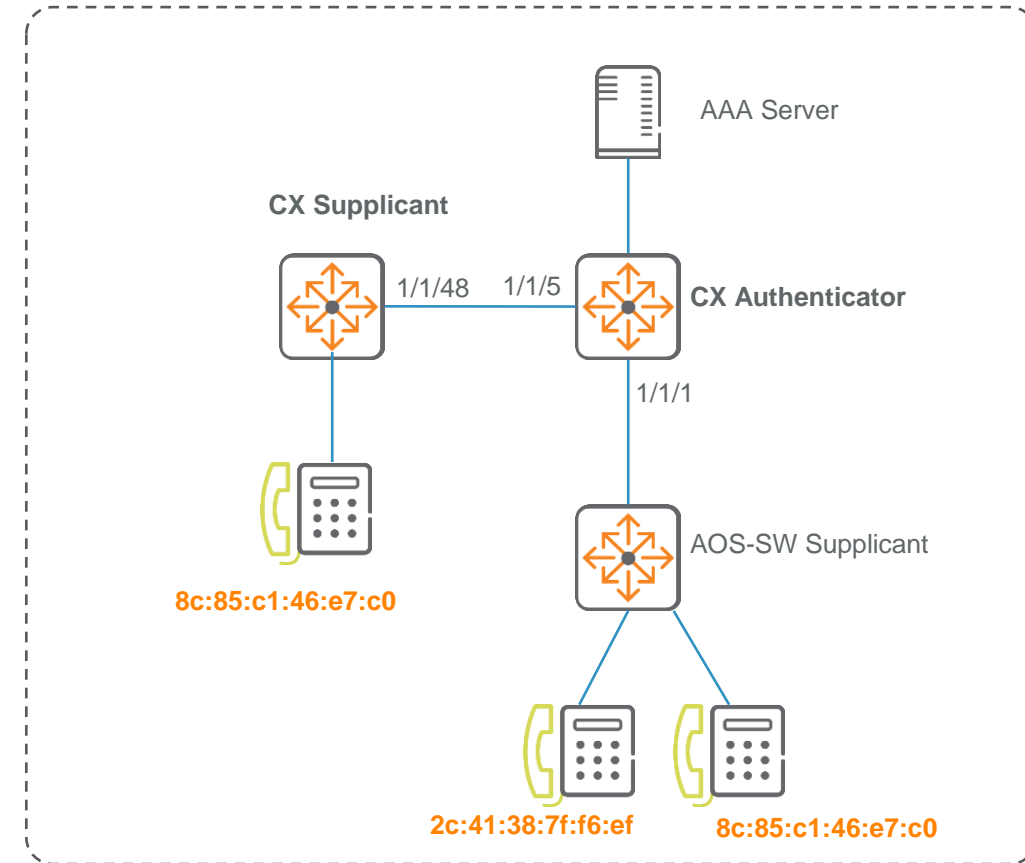


dot1x Supplicant: EAP-TLS EST Enrolled Certificate

```
crypto pki application dot1x-suppliant certificate
est_certificate1

aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    enable
    policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
        eap-identity identity cxtme

interface 1/1/48
    aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
        associate policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
        enable
```



dot1x Supplicant: EAP-TLS User defined Certificate

```
Access-CXSW(config)# crypto pki application dot1x-supplicant certificate est_certificate1
Access-CXSW(config)# end

Access-CXSW# sh crypto pki certificate
```

Certificate Name	Cert Status	EST Status	Associated Applications
client	installed	n/a	none
local-cert client, syslog-client	installed	n/a	captive-portal, est-client, https-server, radsec-
est_certificate1	installed	enroll success	dot1x-supplicant
device-identity	installed	n/a	none

```
Access-CXSW#
```

```
Access-CXSW# sh crypto pki certificate est_certificate1
pem

Certificate Name: est_certificate1

Associated Applications:

    dot1x-supplicant

Certificate Status: installed

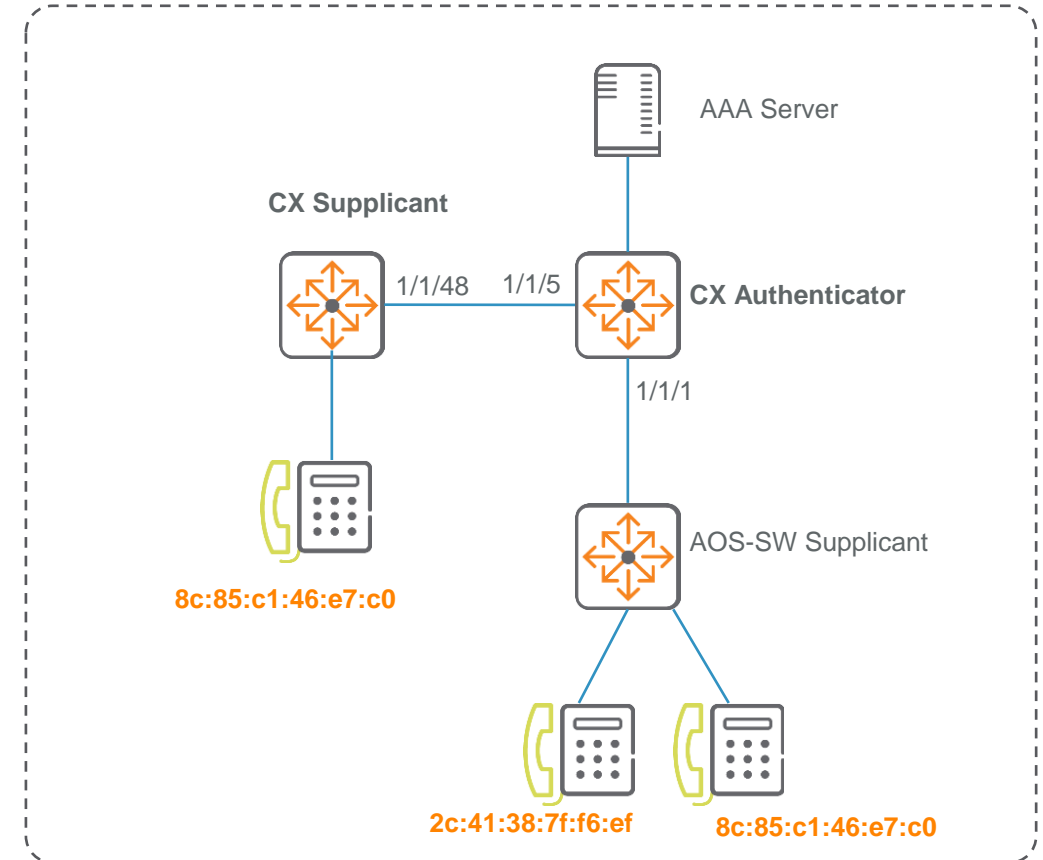
EST Status: enroll success

Certificate Type: regular
```



dot1x Supplicant: EAP-MD5

```
aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
enable
policy cx_dot1x_supPLICANT
    eap-method eap-md5
    eap-identity identity cxtme
    eap-identity password ciphertext
    AQBapfhltTYjsSH9NO5UJseS5cOG2Fv6QRKD8AIL2BgTQ2jdCAAAAC7hfPijBaqS
interface 1/1/48
    aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    associate policy cx_dot1x_supPLICANT
    enable
```



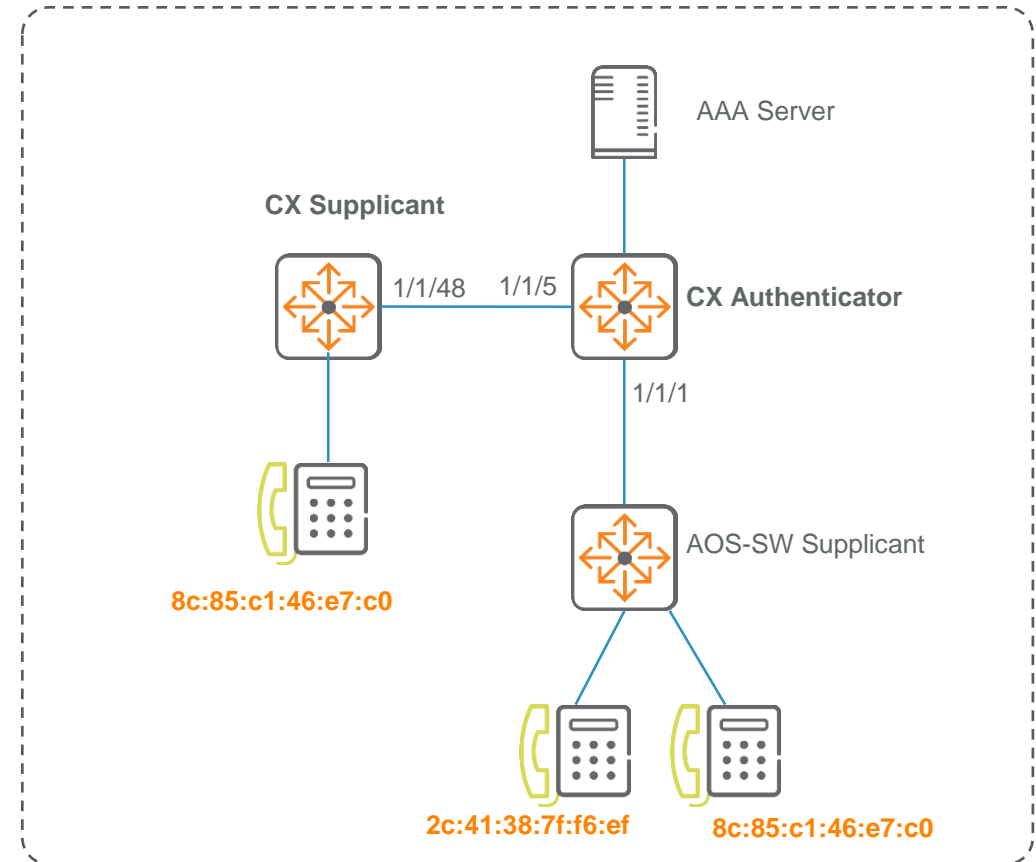
dot1x Supplicant: start-mode and fail-mode

```
aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
enable

policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
    eap-method eap-md5
    eap-identity identity cxtme
    eap-identity password ciphertext
    AQBapfhltTYjsSH9NO5UJseS5cOG2Fv6QRKD8AIL2BgTQ2jdCAAAAC7hfPi
    jBaqS

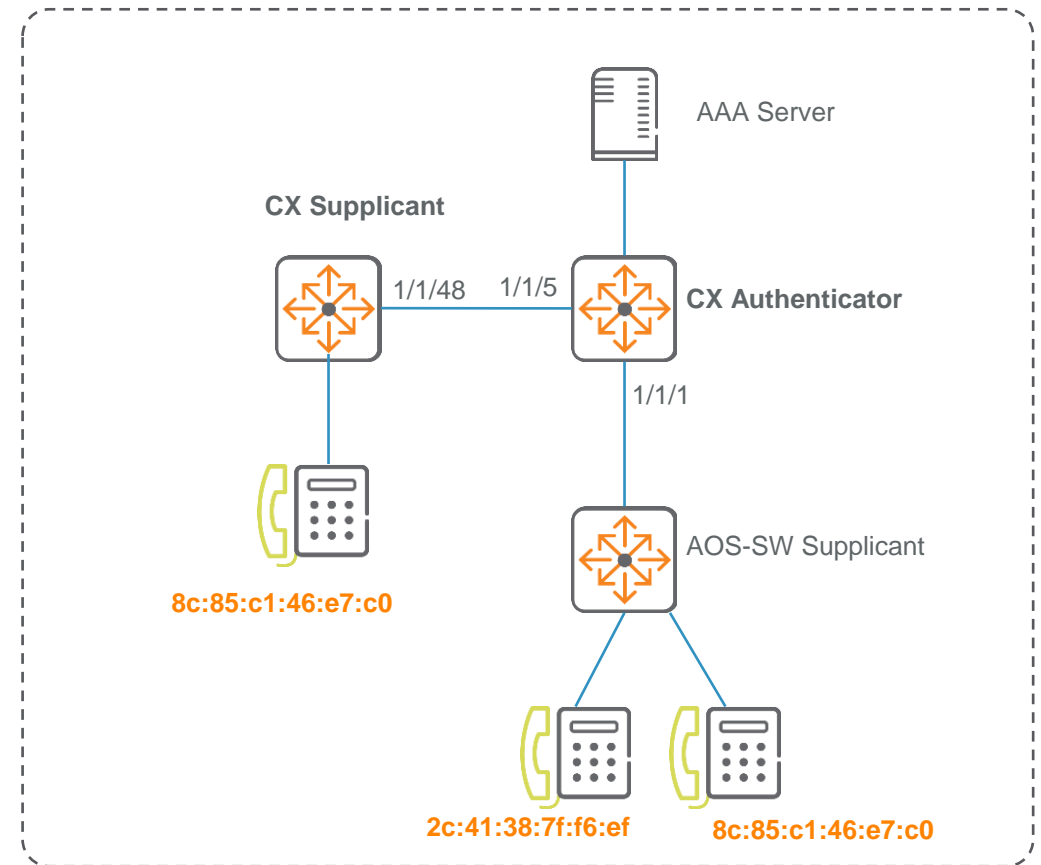
    start-mode start-closed
    fail-mode fail-closed

interface 1/1/48
    aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    associate policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
    enable
```



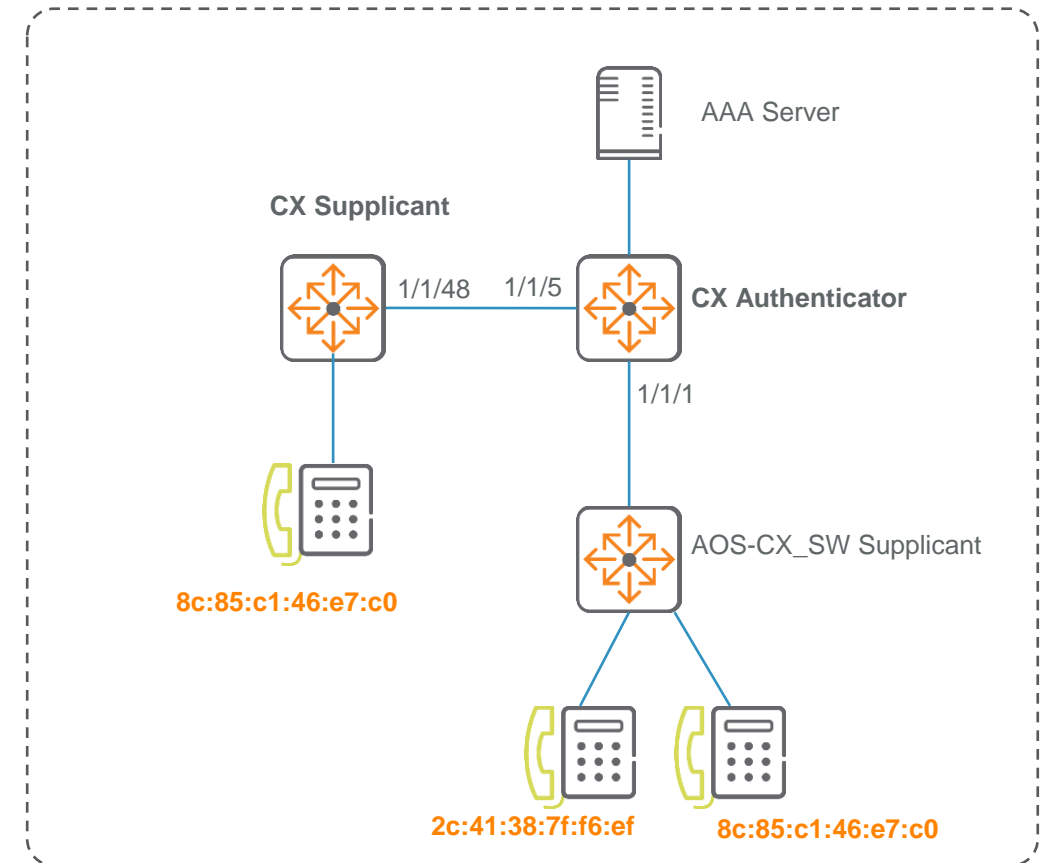
dot1x Supplicant: Canned EAP Success

```
aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    enable
    policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
        eap-method eap-md5
        eap-identity identity cxtme
        eap-identity password ciphertext
        AQBapfhltTYjsSH9NO5UJseS5cOG2Fv6QRKD8AIL2BgTQ2jdCAAAC7hfPi
        jBaqS
        canned-eap-success
    interface 1/1/48
        aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
        associate policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
        enable
```



dot1x Supplicant: force-multicast

```
aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
    enable
    policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
        eap-method eap-md5
        eap-identity identity cxtme
        eap-identity password ciphertext
        AQBapfhltTYjsSH9NO5UJseS5cOG2Fv6QRKD8AIL2BgTQ2jdCAAAAC7hfPi
        jBaqS
        eapol-force-multicast
        eapol-protocol-version 2
        canned-eap-success
        discovery-timeout 60
        start-mode start-closed
        fail-mode fail-closed
    interface 1/1/48
        aaa authentication port-access dot1x supplicant
        associate policy cx_dot1x_suppliant
        enable
```



Additional Information

Additional information (internal)

- [Functionality guide dot1x supplicant](#)
- [Design guide dot1x supplicant](#)
- [IEEE dot1x](#)



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