

Domain-certs

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Identities in Certificates

- The Web model:
 - $f(\text{URI } X) \Rightarrow C$
 - $\text{URI } X == C?$
- More concretely:
 - If `https://www.example.com` elicits a certificate with “DNS:www.example.com”, authentication is successful.
- This works for SIP, too:
`sips:alice@example.com` elicits a certificate of “DNS:example.com”.

Identities in Certificates

- Problem with corner cases
 - Requests that contain other than a domainname in the R-URI/Route.
INVITE sips:alice@downtown.atlanta.com SIP/2.0
- Server certificate contains “DNS:atlanta.com”.
 - Does “downtown.atlanta.com” == “atlanta.com”?
 - downtown may be a subordinate domain.
 - Or it may be a host in the atlanta.com domain.
- Also:
INVITE sips:alice@atlanta.com SIP/2.0
Route: <sips:downtown.atlanta.com;lr>

Mutual Authentication

- Client authenticates server → OK.
- Server authenticates client → How?
INVITE sips:alice@atlanta.com SIP/2.0
From: <sips:bob@biloxy.com>;tag=o981iU
Via: SIP/2.0/TLS sip1.example.com;branch=...
- Client certificate contains
“DNS:example.com”.
 - Match what: From? R-R? Via sent-by?

Multiple Identities Certificate?

- Having multiple identities in certificates appear to solve some of the corner cases:
 - DNS:example.com
 - DNS:sip1.example.com
- Why is this not preferred?

Odds and Ends

- Other issues in the draft:
 - Proxy farms (depends on the resolution of how identities are represented).
 - Virtual servers.