



**Let's  
Encrypt**

Applications for NDN

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# Network Authentication

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- ▶ **Public Key Infrastructure**
  - ▶ Pairing Keys with Identity or Authority
  
- ▶ **Major Challenges**
  - ▶ Management
  - ▶ Distribution
  - ▶ Revocation
  - ▶ Renewal



# Let's Encrypt

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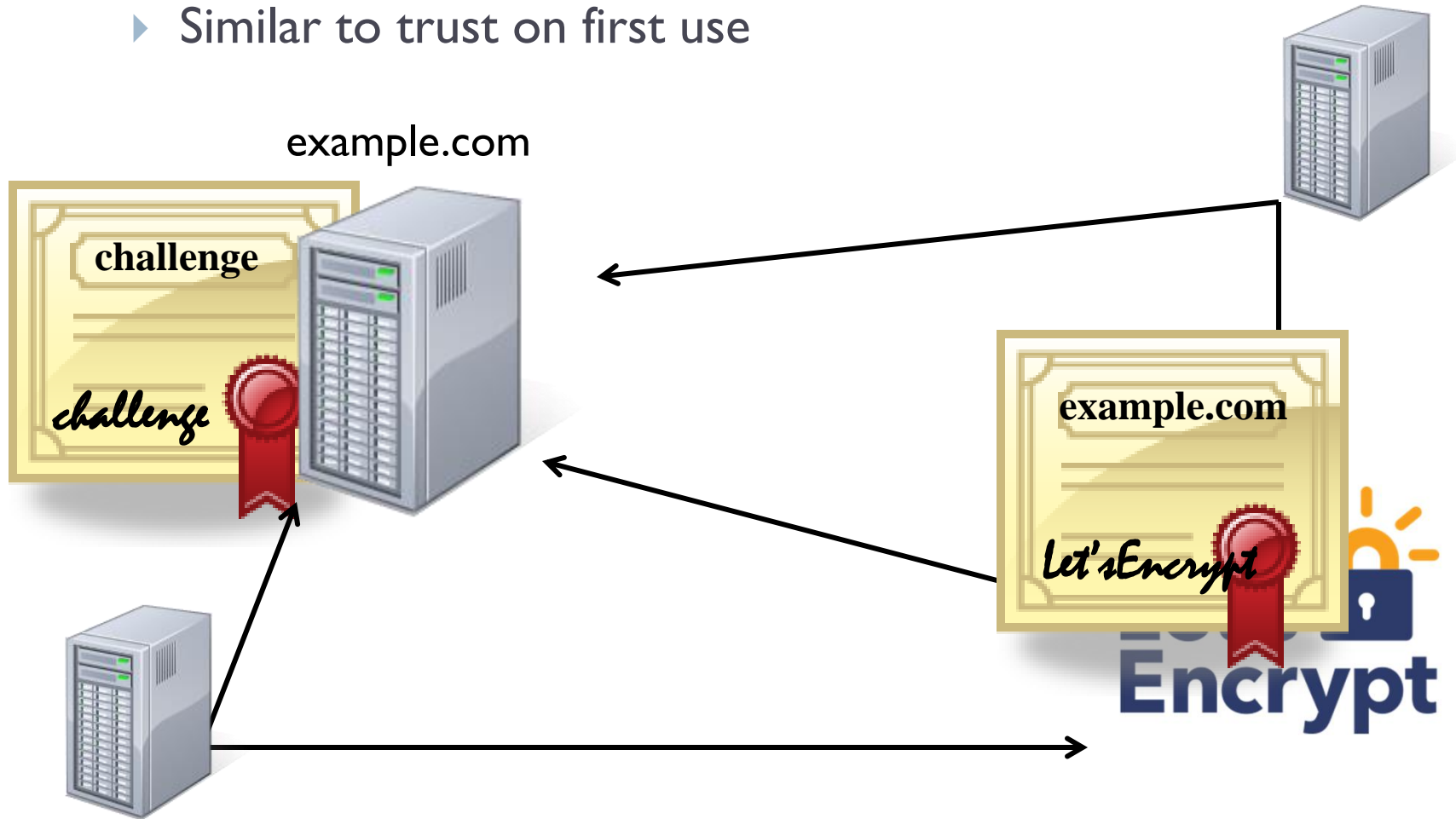
- ▶ **New Certificate Authority**
  - ▶ Open source
  - ▶ Simple
  - ▶ Automated
    - ▶ ACME (new protocol)
      - Verification
      - Issuance
      - Renewal
      - Revocation
- ▶ **One command to enable TLS**
  - ▶ `sudo letsencrypt`



# Let's Encrypt Trust Model

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- ▶ Domain validation (DV)
  - ▶ Similar to trust on first use



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# Quick Demo

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# Benefits for NDN

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- ▶ **Authority instantiated out of the box**
  - ▶ A framework to receive automated authorizations
- ▶ **Open mHealth**
  - ▶ Individual service CAs can grant various authorizations
  - ▶ Automatically place authorizations in local IdentityManager
- ▶ **EBAMS**
  - ▶ Large computing base with few resources
    - ▶ ACME is lightweight
    - ▶ Local CAs/controllers can propagate trust downwards automatically



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Responses



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Verify Responses



Certificate Request



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# Potential NDN Challenge Types

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## ▶ Prove ownership

### ▶ resource being verified

#### ▶ Can be flexible to the organization/application

##### □ Organization or university

- Demonstrate control of associated email address

##### □ Localized CAs - EBAMS

- Simple publishing/receiving content on a particular interface at a particular time

### ▶ previous account or “authorized key”

#### ▶ Publish content under known existing key

#### ▶ Provide proof of ownership of a trusted account or authorization

#### ▶ Recovery Contact (email address)

#### ▶ Bearer Token

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# Integrating ACME into NDN

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- ▶ Define a suitable set of challenges for NDN
- ▶ Define trust models/verification requirements for authorization in applications
  
- ▶ Implementation
  - ▶ Code in progress
    - ▶ Battle-tested CA source code
    - ▶ Extensible client written in Python
  - ▶ Necessary Changes
    - ▶ Redefine CSR/Signing procedure (different format)
    - ▶ Redefine networking code
    - ▶ Define NDN specific challenges

