

Resumption across SNI

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An indication

The proposed draft defines an empty NewSessionTicket extension.

“If the extension is sent, it indicates that the client MAY use the ticket for any SNI value for which the certificate presented by the server is valid. [...]

The server MAY send the extension if it reasonably believes that any server for any identity presented in its certificate would be capable of accepting that ticket. The server SHOULD NOT send the extension otherwise, since, if the client follows the single-use ticket policy recommended by [RFC8446], sending the ticket results in it being no longer usable regardless of whether resumption has succeeded.”

Discussion