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3 AGENDA

- Note Well, Agenda Bashing, and Technical Issues
- Document Status
- Presentations:
 - DNS Account Challenge (Omid)
 - ARI (Frank)
 - ACME Onion (Misell)
 - ACME Auto Discovery (vanBrouwershaven, Ounsworth)
- AOB

4 DOCUMENT STATUS (1/3)

- ACME-Onion
 - Adopted. First WG version submitted 22-June
 - Presentation today
- ACME-DNS-Account-Challenge
 - Renamed from ACME-DNS-Account-01
 - Presentation today
- ACME-Client
 - Version -06 submitted

5 DOCUMENT STATUS (2/3)

- ACME-ARI
 - Not updated ; have presentation
- ACME-Integrations
 - New versions I4-I7 ; changed from Informational to PS
 - Approved – in RFC Editor's queue
- ACME-Subdomains
 - In AUTH48 (for roughly 240 hours)
- ACME-Authority-Token-TnAuthList
 - Approved before IETF I16; still in RFC Editor's queue

6 DOCUMENT STATUS (3/3)

- ACME-Authority Token
 - Approved before IETF 116 ; still in RFC Editor's queue
- ACME-DTN-NodeId (validation extension)
 - Publication requested, but
 - Stuck since October...
- No RFC published for almost 2 years.
- Should be different by 118.

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PRESENTATION SLIDES GO HERE



DNS-ACCOUNT-CHALLENGE

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Stanislaw Janikowski - Fotis Loukos

Background

DNS-01

- Is awesome!
- Has limitations :(

DNS-ACCOUNT-CHALLENGE

Domain Validation Delegation

- Decentralization
- Adoption
- Resilience
- Beyond https?
- Not replacing DNS-01

Updates

Errors

- Community support

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- Keep them stable
- Query parameters, etc.

Questions | Feedback

ACME Renewal Information

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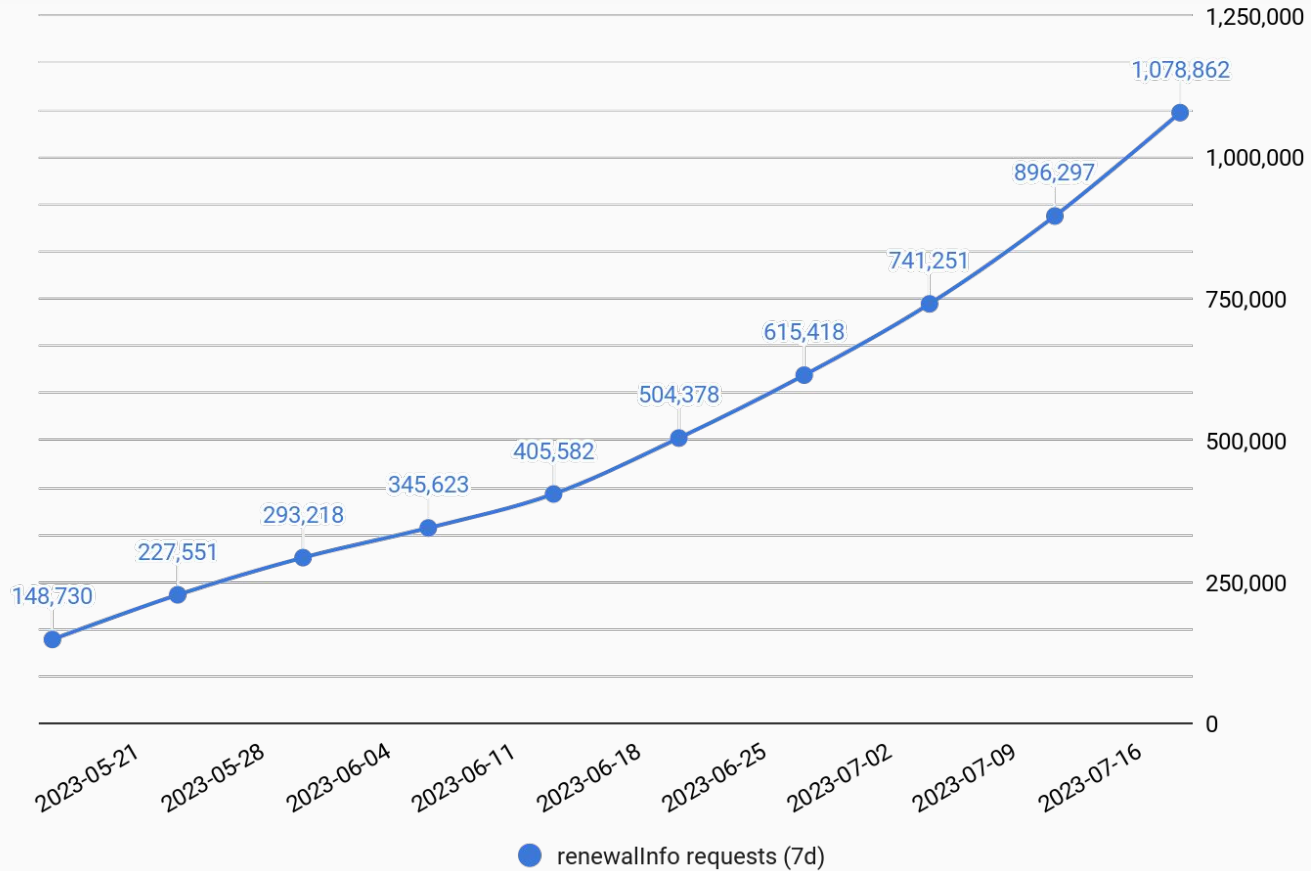
Samantha Frank, Let's Encrypt
IETF 117, 2023-07-24



- No changes to the draft specification
- Fully implemented by Let's Encrypt
- Fully implemented by Google Trust Services
- Under evaluation by Certainly (Fastly)

- Client adoption
 - eggsampler/acme (Go)
 - go-acme/lego (Go)
 - Let's Encrypt is contributing to multiple clients

ARI Endpoint Usage



Open Questions

- Construction of the unique certificate ID
 - OCSP CertID
 - base64url(Authority Key Identifier + Serial)
- Reducing request volume
 - Batch endpoint
 - GET
 - POST-as-GET
 - Include current CertID in newOrder requests
- Simplifying client logic
 - Single timestamp instead of window
 - Bypassing rate limits for renewals during window

ACME FOR ONIONS

draft-ietf-acme-onion

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SINCE IETF 116

- Adopted 🎉
- Reference CA implementation
acmefor onions.org
- Certbot plugin for onion-csr-01
[certbot-onion](#)
- Tor Spec Proposal 343-rend-caa



WHY EVEN HAVE X.509 CERTIFICATES FOR TOR HIDDEN SERVICES?

- Secure cookies
- Content Security Policy
- HTTP/2
- PCI DSS
- Security-in-depth



GOALS

Define extensions to ACME to automate the issuance of X.509 certificates for Tor hidden services in line with the accepted methods in the CA/BF BR.

NON-GOALS

Any method not accepted by the CA/BF.



CURRENT STATE OF THINGS

- DigiCert (EV only)
- HARICA



CA/BF BR APPENDIX B

- § 3.2.2.4.18 - Agreed-Upon Change to Website v2
- § 3.2.2.4.19 - Agreed-Upon Change to Website - ACME
- § 3.2.2.4.20 - TLS Using ALPN
- § B.2.b - Special CSR



IDENTIFIER TYPE

```
{  
  "type": "dns",  
  "value": "bbcweb3hytmz...rad.onion"  
}
```

Clients can be oblivious to the fact that the identifier is a Tor hidden service with "http-01" or "tls-alpn-01" validation methods.



NEW `onion-csr-01` VALIDATION METHOD

Implements CA/BF BR § B.2.b

Clients prove control over the `.onion` domain by signing a CSR with the private key of the `.onion` domain.



OVERVIEW OF THE TOR HIDDEN SERVICE DESCRIPTOR



OUTER LAYER

Fetches with the service's blinded public key

```
hs-descriptor 3
descriptor-lifetime ...
descriptor-signing-key-cert
-----BEGIN ED25519 CERT-----
...
-----END ED25519 CERT-----
revision-counter ...
superencrypted
-----BEGIN MESSAGE-----
...
-----END MESSAGE-----
```



FIRST LAYER ENCRYPTED DATA

Encrypted with the service's (non-blinded)
public key

```
desc-auth-type x25519
desc-auth-ephemeral-key ...
auth-client ...
auth-client ...
auth-client ...
encrypted
-----BEGIN MESSAGE-----
...
-----END MESSAGE-----
```



SECOND LAYER ENCRYPTED DATA

Encrypted with data from `auth-client`

```
create2-formats 2
introduction-point ...
onion-key ntor ...
auth-key
-----BEGIN ED25519 CERT-----
...
-----END ED25519 CERT-----
enc-key ntor ...
enc-key-cert
-----BEGIN ED25519 CERT-----
...
-----END ED25519 CERT-----
introduction-point ...
```



CLIENT AUTHENTICATION

Tor allows hidden services to restrict which clients can connect using client authentication.

New `authKey` field to allow hidden service operators to allow the CA's Tor client to read their hidden service descriptor to issue certificates.



CAA RECORDS

.onion domains aren't in the DNS, so standard CAA records can't be used. Instead, CAA records are encoded in the BIND zone file format the second layer hidden service descriptor.

```
1 create2-formats 2
2 single-onion-service
3 caa 128 issue "test.acmefor onions.org;validationmethods=onion"
4 caa 0 iodef "mailto:security@example.com"
5 introduction-point AwAGsAk5n...
```



CAA INTERACTION WITH CLIENT AUTHENTICATION

New field in the first layer hidden service descriptor to signal that there are CAA records in the second layer descriptor.

```
1 desc-auth-type x25519
2 caa-critical
3 auth-client ...
```



QUESTIONS?

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Slide deck available at
magicalcodewit.ch/ietf117-slides/

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ACME AUTO DISCOVERY

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Mike Ounsworth, Paul van Brouwershaven

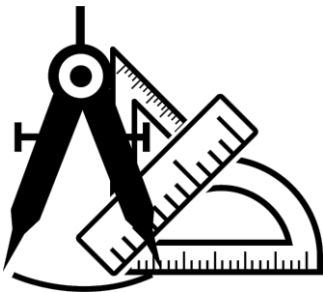
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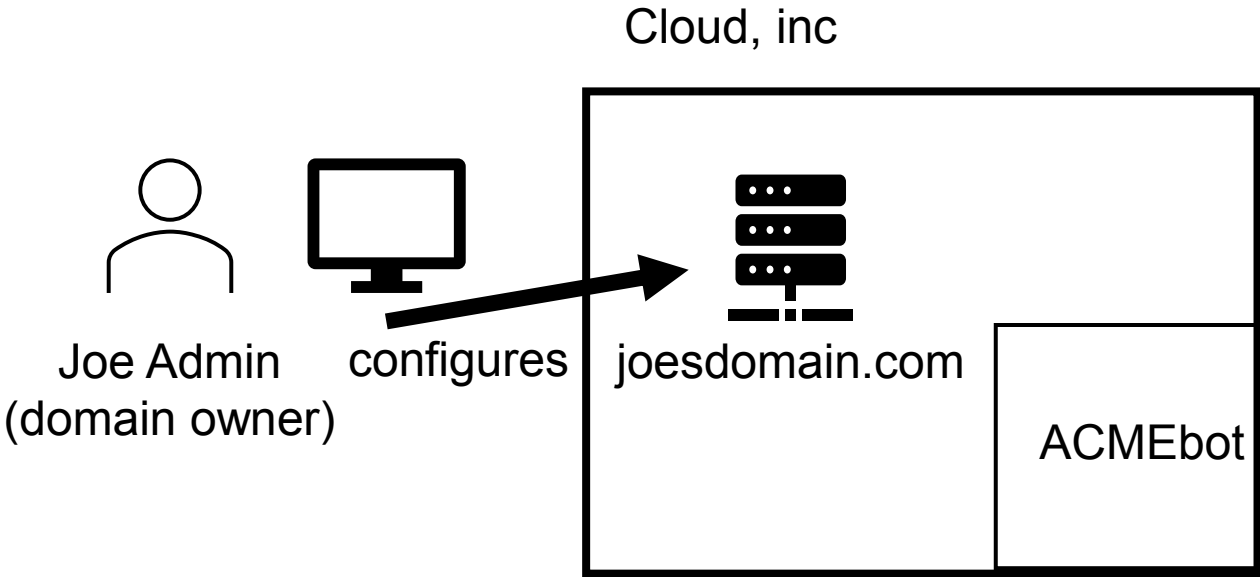
SECURING A WORLD IN MOTION



PUT YOUR EDGE-CASE FINDERS AWAY!

Our motivating use case is:

- ▶ Public domains (ie publicly-accessible, public DNS, etc),
- ▶ Hosted on public cloud providers,
- ▶ Where the domain owner has a preferred public CA.



DIGITALOCEAN (CSP) - LOAD BALANCER

resource name or public IP (Ctrl+B) Create

New certificate

Use Let's Encrypt Bring your own certificate

Automatically encrypt traffic up to the Load Balancer with a free Let's Encrypt certificate. Choose domains using the search box below. We'll generate and auto-renew the certificate. [Learn more](#)

Search for a domain on DigitalOcean

Include all subdomains (wildcard certificate)

Select specific subdomains

Name this certificate *

Generate Certificate

You can use Let's Encrypt (ACME), provide some configuration, but you **can not** specify your own ACME server or account binding.

source name or public IP (Ctrl+B) Create

New certificate

Use Let's Encrypt Bring your own certificate

[How to create an SSL certificate](#)

Name *

Certificate *

Private key *

Certificate chain

Save SSL Certificate

Or you can upload a custom certificate.

FASTLY (CDN)

While “*Fastly-managed certificates use the ACME protocol to procure and renew TLS certificates from Let’s Encrypt, a non-profit certification authority, and GlobalSign, a commercial certification authority*”, they do not allow you to configure your own ACME server and key binding.

TLS domains • TLS certificates 8 TLS configurations TLS subscriptions 3 Mutual TLS

< Certificates / New

Add a new key and certificate

Used for securing new domains

Upload a new key (Optional)
Add new key for the certificate below as a security best practice

⤴ Drag your new private key file here to upload it securely or [browse for it](#).

Upload the certificate file
Upload the new certificate file

⤴ Drag your new certificate file here to upload it securely or [browse for it](#).

Submit Cancel

AND SOME OTHERS WE CHECKED...

› Content Delivery Network (CDN)

- Cloudflare
- Fastly
- Akamai

› Cloud Service Provider (CSP)

- Azure
- Google Cloud
- AWS
- IBM Cloud
- DigitalOcean
- OVH
- Hertzner
- Vultr

› PaaS

- WordPress
- Salesforce
- HubSpot

› Control panels

- CPANEL / WHM
- Plesk

› Appliances / other devices

- HP Officejet
- Reolink
- Ubiquiti / Unifi
- Synology



PROBLEM

- › A certificate with a validity of 90-days ‘requires’ automation
 - Renewing a certificate manually 4-6 times will not be ‘appreciated’
- › When subscribers can’t specify their preferred ACME server, the default will become the norm!
- › If the default is the norm, we lack issuer diversity which will become a major point of failure.
- › (side-benefit: prioritized list of fallback ACME servers for a given domain)

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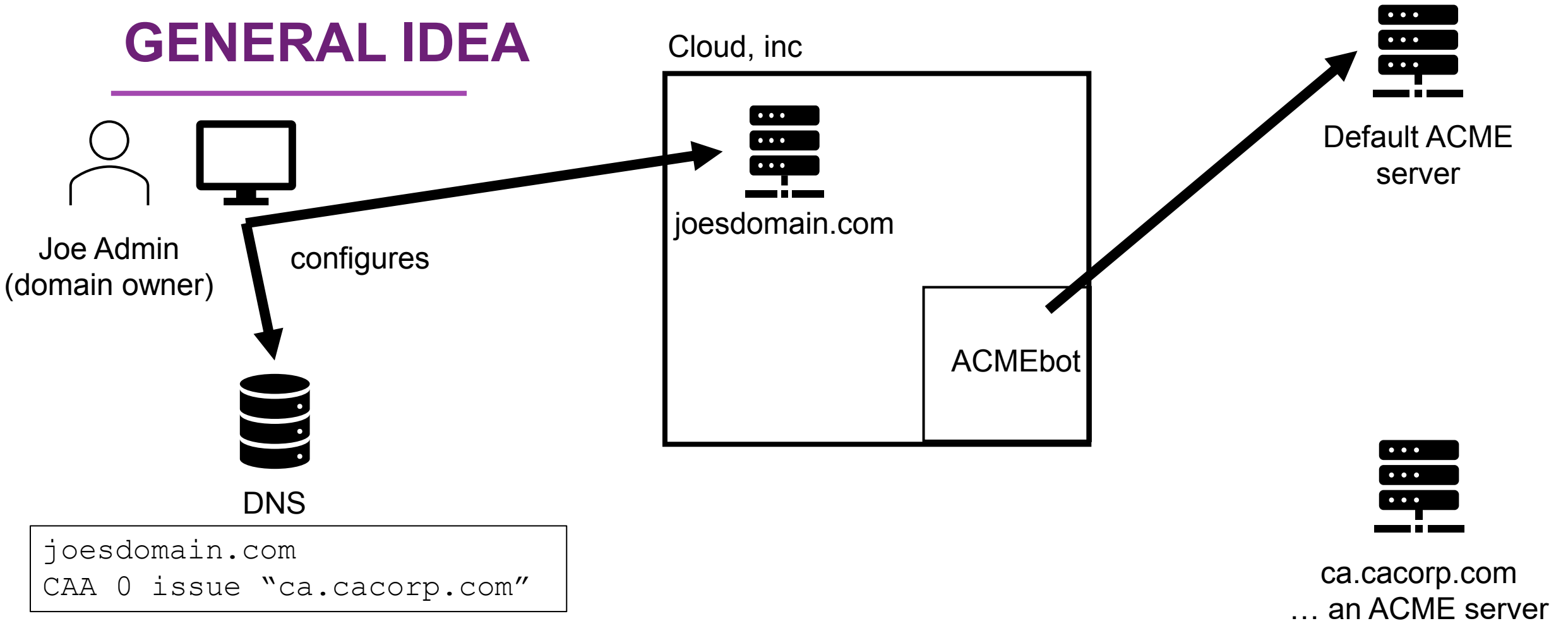
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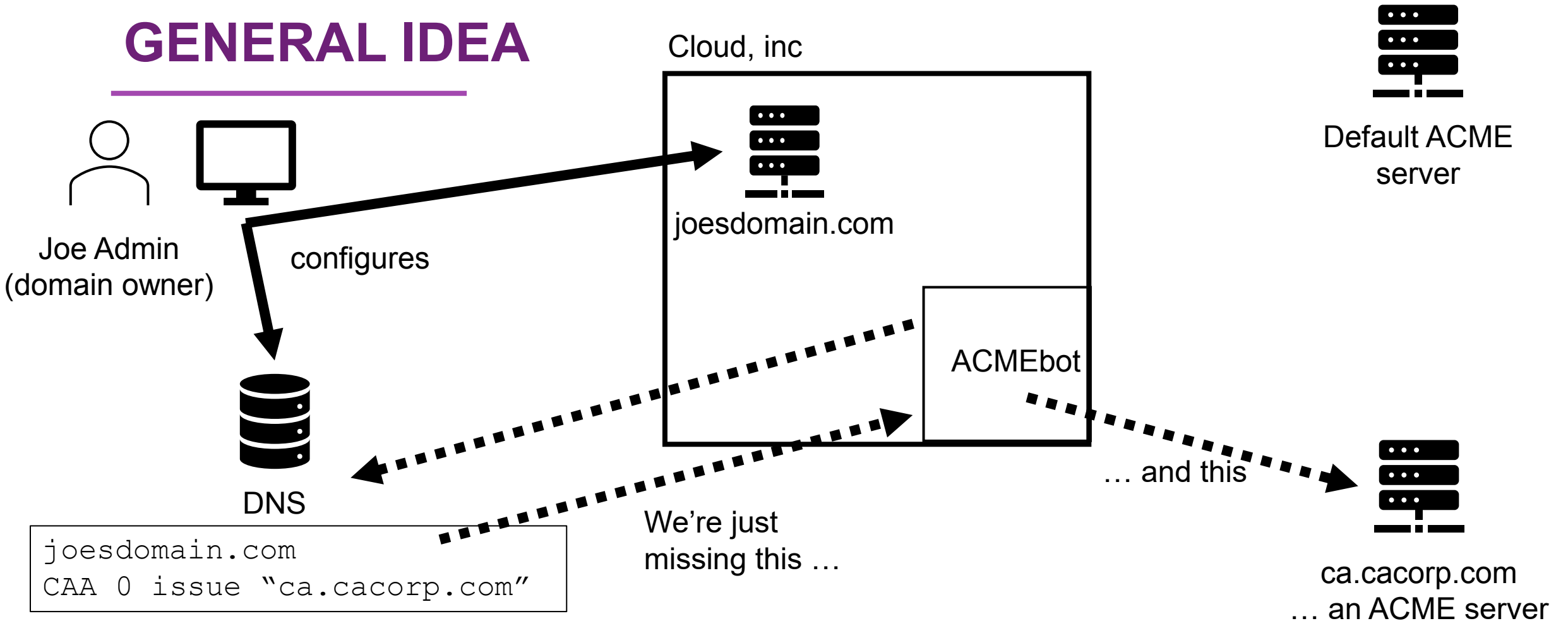
GENERAL IDEA



```
joesdomain.com  
CAA 0 issue "ca.cacorp.com"
```

... you would think there's enough info here to send ACMEbot to the Joe's preferred ACME server ...

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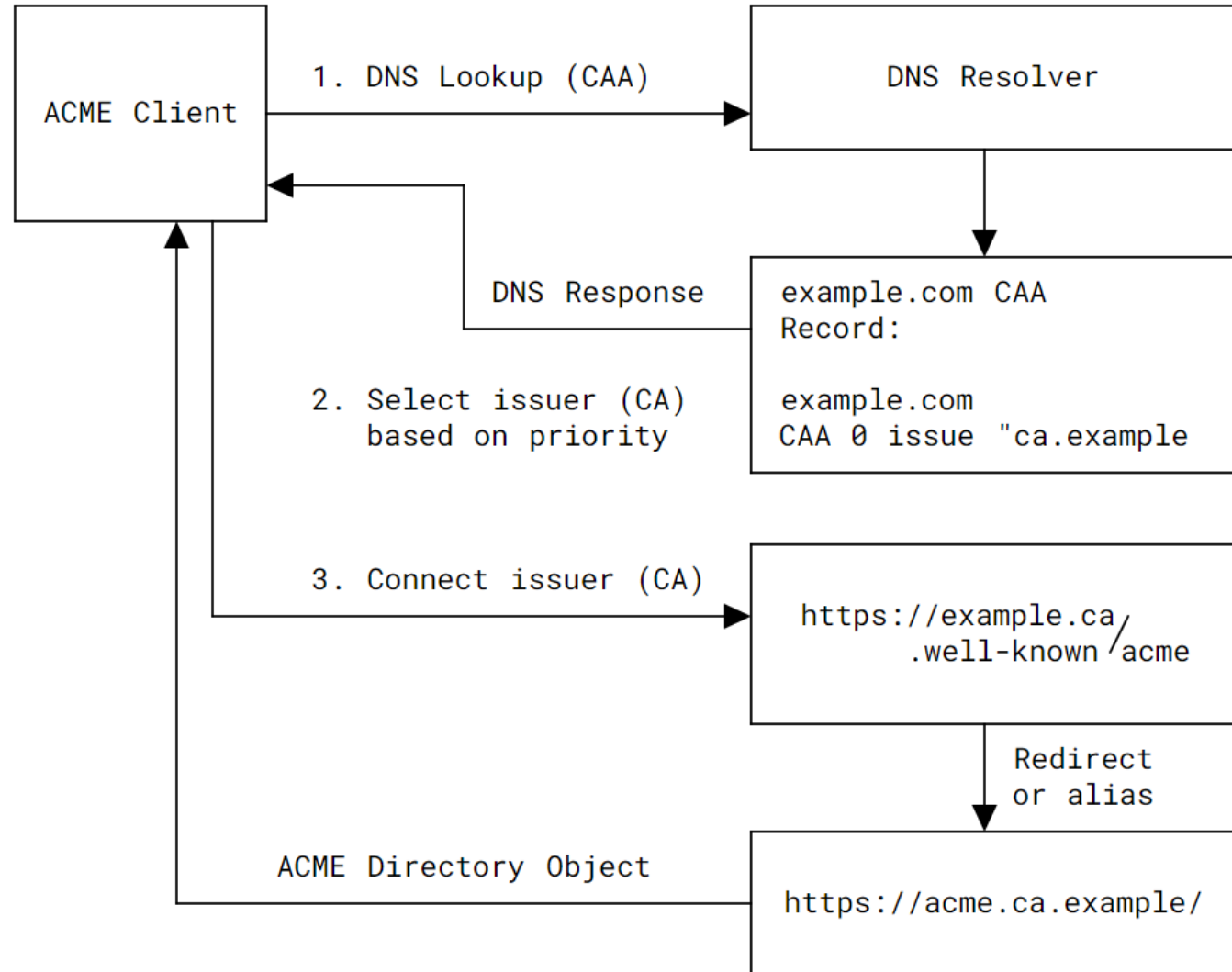
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ACME CLIENT BEHAVIOR

What's new in this draft?

- DNS CAA extensions:
 - Discovery: true/false
 - Priority: int
- The '.well-known/acme' URI
- Some suggested ACME client behaviour to tie it all together.
- Guidance to use Internal Account Binding (DV / email) instead of providing externalAccountBinding. (you probably don't want to give your ACME account key to your hosting provider)



RUNNING CODE

“I happened to be poking around the certbot codebase today and decided to try and implement this draft.

It turned out to be a much simpler task than I had expected

My fork of certbot with the implementation is available at

[https://github.com/as207960/certbot/tree/auto-discovery.](https://github.com/as207960/certbot/tree/auto-discovery)”

Q Missel

Thanks Q!

<https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/acme/JWQDZXSDa13zP57ytBI7bjEknKk/>

ADOPT?

- › Is this useful?

- › draft-vanbrouwershaven-acme-auto-discovery

POINTS RAISED ON-LIST



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TERMS OF SERVICE

Cloud, inc doesn't want to blindly accept the TOS of arbitrary ACME servers.

Raised by: Amir Omid, Seo Suchan

Response: I think this is moot because it's actually Joe Admin who has the commercial relationship with the CA, we just need to make it clear that the ACME issuance is bound to Joe's ACME account, not Cloud, inc's.

Worth more discussion though.

<https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/acme/6MPISpU3nD7SzKmnYcwyVeYqCiM/>

CAN THIS BE SOLVED THROUGH HOSTER UI?

“If the hosting provider already has a menu for upload certificate files, that menu could have a box for acme directory Uri too.”

Seo Suchan

Response: Agree, that would be great if service provider would all do that.
But they haven't.

So here is a mechanism that can be implemented in core ACME clients and will work regardless of service provider UI.

https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/acme/yCa3_ISEdgPWadr83MzV0Y8XwDo/



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