

SSL Digital Certificates Analysis

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Abstract

The explosive development of Internet services has led to the appearance of security threats regarding transmitted or stored data privacy. A powerful solution for the authentication of Web servers is the SSL digital certificates, a collection of data through a recognized Certificate Authority attests an entity's identity on the Internet and confirms its public key, used to encrypt communications between the client (Web browser) and that server providing a certain Web service. This paper discusses the concepts of digital signature and digital certificate, making an incursion in the field of SSL digital certificates for Web servers.

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