

Secure Systems and Networks

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- **Create CA**

I used script *CA.pl* from */usr/lib/ssl/misc/*. Firstly I edited file with default configuration *openssl.cnf* to set own default parameters. Then I created new CA by command *./CA.pl -newca*.

- **Create certificate request**

I used above script and typed *./CA -newreq* to create certificate then *./CA -sign* to sign it.

- **Configure Apache server to use it**

Firstly I installed Apache2 and start it to make sure it works *systemctl start apache2*. Then I configured Apache2 to use SSL:

- (1) Activated the SSL Module by *a2enmod ssl* then restarted the Apache service *apache2 restart*.
- (2) Created new directory */etc/apache2/ssl* and placed there key and certificate which I generated in previous step.
- (3) Edited file */etc/apache2/sites-available/default-ssl.conf* and changed entries *SSLCertificateFile* and *SSLCertificateKeyFile* to actual path to key and certificate in *apache2/ssl*.
- (4) Enabled SSL Virtual Host by command *a2ensite default-ssl.conf* and restarted Apache.

Now I can reach *https://localhost/* but browser gives a warning that cannot verify the identity of server – because it has not been signed by certificate authority that it trusts. (to bypass this I added exception).

- **client certificates**

To do this task I simply used *./CA.pl -newreq* to create new certificate request, then *./CA.pl -sign* to sign this certificate and lastly *./CA.pl -pkcs12* to create it in PKCS12 format to be able to import it to the browser. Passwords are *client1* and *client2*.

- **Configure Apache to recognize client certs**

To configure the Apache to do this task I copied CA certificate to */etc/apache2/ssl* and added a line to *default-ssl.conf*.