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# How to Connect Smart Dusts

DaoliName Service

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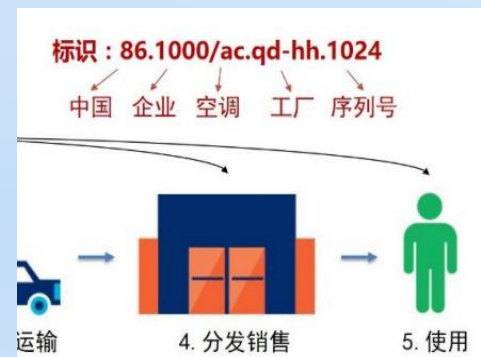


# Smart Dusts Connect?

## May I know your name dust?



- Once upon a time, like father like son in the name of, ..., postcode, library study, inventory management, ..., domain names, ...
- 1992: DARPA-CNRI proposed “Handle System”
- 1994: DOI (Digital Object Identifiers) implementation
- 2003: IETF Handle System RFCs
  - RFC3650 Handle System Overview
  - RFC3651 Handle System Namespace and Service Definition
  - RFC-3652 Handle System Protocol (ver 2.1) Specification
- 2017: Chinese IoT Name Resolution Whitepaper



Common Need: Good IDs = structured, can be scalably managed

# Peer-to-peer Connection Multiply<sup>2</sup>

One phone is useless

Two phones are very useful,  
no wonder cryptographers  
are so addicted to study  
Alice and Bob

Metcalfe's Law:  $n$  phones  
p2p connection =  $n^2$  multiply  
revenue for, e.g., “The  
Phone Company”

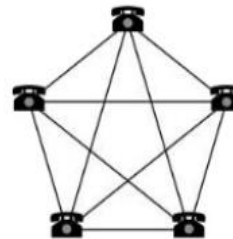
However unless phone  
numbers are structurally  
organized, line plugging girls  
would have been in  
nightmarish job

Metcalfe's Law:

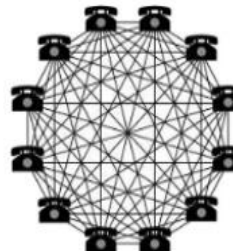
Connections in a network =  $n(n-1)/2$



2 telephones = 1 connection



5 telephones = 10 connections



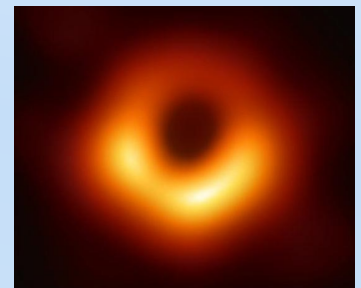
12 telephones = 66 connections

# Mandate Starting 2019: Smart Dusts Must Know Each Other Securely



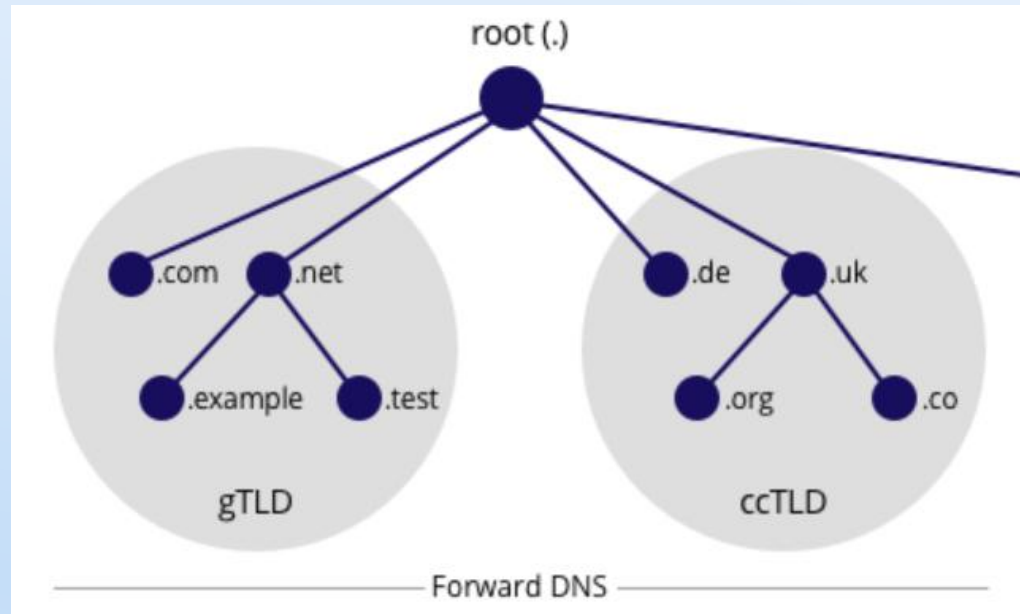
With dusts already smart, crypto does authentication  
Public Key:  $n$  nodes authentication complexity =  $n$

- Because random private key  $\rightarrow$  random public key, in a close system, e.g., BTC, blockchain, peer node having random ID features anonymity!  
Who is Nakamoto?  $p2p = r2r$  ( $r = \text{random}$ )
- Open system must use good IDs. PKI: CA binds a good ID to random pub key. A cert may include all revoked certs in the history. PKI has never won clients ( Trust CA, not the figure in the right! )
- Identity Based Crypto: A good ID is a public key!  
Need Private Key Generator (PKG), centralized gravity for attacks! Why not seen any semblance of impact since a promising proposal in 2000?



# An Example of Good IDs

Domain Names: well structured, globally searchable,  
DNS binds DN to more random looking IPs



DNS is an interactive query-answer system, pyramid  
sale structure and management efficiency, and the  
service enjoys natural monopoly

# ID as a Public Key (IDaaPK) Inspiration



- Consider a DN = public key, a client can verify binding ( DN, IP ). IBC can offer a good DNS security solution
- Observe, a returned IP can also be a public key, though looking random, bilinear pairing can verify the binding
- Q: What is one more IPaaPK for?
- Eureka! The private key behind this IPaaPK needn't be generated by PKG anymore!
- The centralized gravity for attacks is dispersed





# DaoliName IDaaPK Service




Distributed consensus ledger  
fixation of “Trustlessly Agreeable  
Diffie-Hellman Quadruple” (TADHQ)

- TADHQ is publicly verifiable by evaluating bilinear pairings inputting ( IDs, IDaaPKs ) as elliptic curve points
- No one can alter the TADHQ fixation once entering the ledger
- No CA, no PKG, no centralized single point of attack or failure
- Peer-to-peer, e.g., mobile phone VPN overlaying social network
- Service handles no secret and can be easily elastically scaled in world wide distributed replicas



The Future is Private but NOT Centralized



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