

# Staying ahead of Counterfeiters when using OEM Generic Drives for Enterprise

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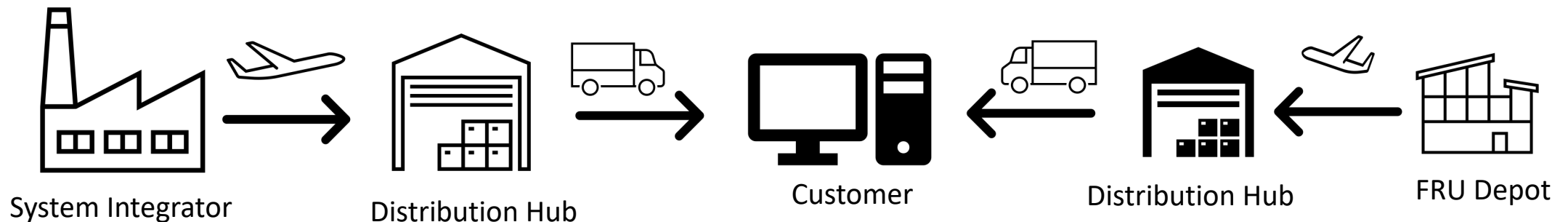
# Why the move to OEM Generic drives for Enterprise

- Hyperscalers don't focus on drive customization.
- Enterprise likes Custom Features on their drives for product differentiation.
- Today, Over 90% of drives are consumed by Hyperscalers.
- With only 10% or less of the volume, Enterprise is being forced to move to Generic drives or pay higher cost for Custom Firmware Drives.



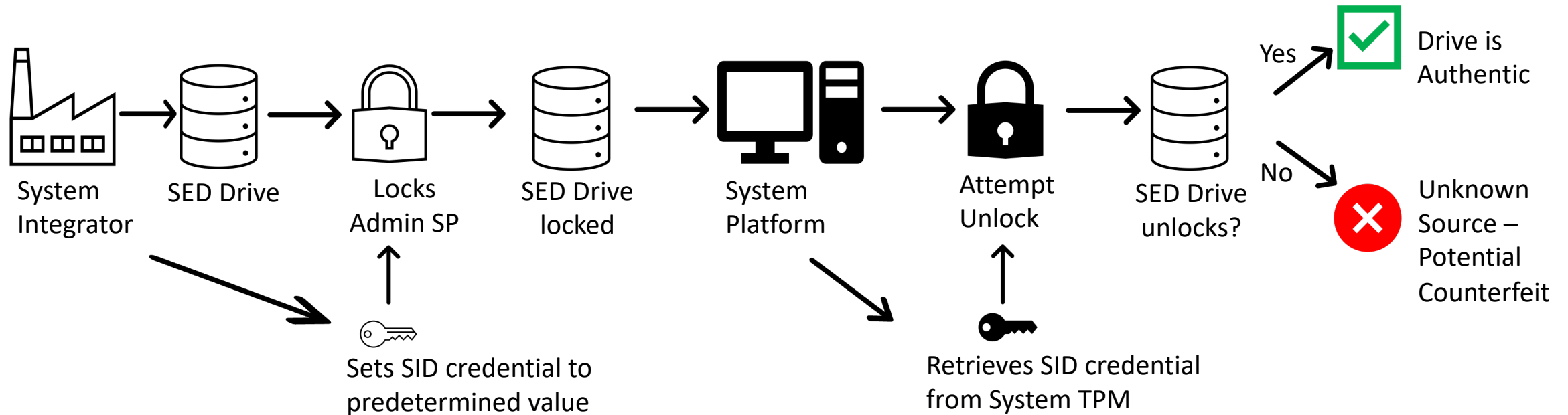
## No Customization = Easier Counterfeit

- Abundance of OEM Generic drives (refurbished, repaired, stolen, etc) on distribution is prime source for Counterfeit stock.
- Counterfeits can be introduced at several points across the Enterprise Supply Chain



# Leveraging Drive SED capabilities for Authentication

SED drives make use of Credentials to Lock/Unlock the Admin Security Partition and User Data partition.



## How Authentication Works?

System Integrator sets the Secure ID (SID) credential to a predetermined value locking the Drive's Admin SP. The predetermined SID credential is also stored on the System's Trusted Platform Module during System integration.

## SED Drive Authentication

**Admin SP** → Admin Security Partition. Controls access to logical ports (FW Downloads, Diagnostics state, etc) using Secure ID (SID) Credential.

## Security Module on System

**Trusted Platform Module (TPM)** → Computer chip that can securely store artifacts to authenticate the platform.

### CONCERN WITH THIS SOLUTION:

One credential value across all devices.  
Once credential is known by Countefeiters, difficult to revoke and create new one.

**Locking SP** → Locking Security Partition. Controls access to user data



What can we learn and leverage from  
Authentication on the World Wide Web?



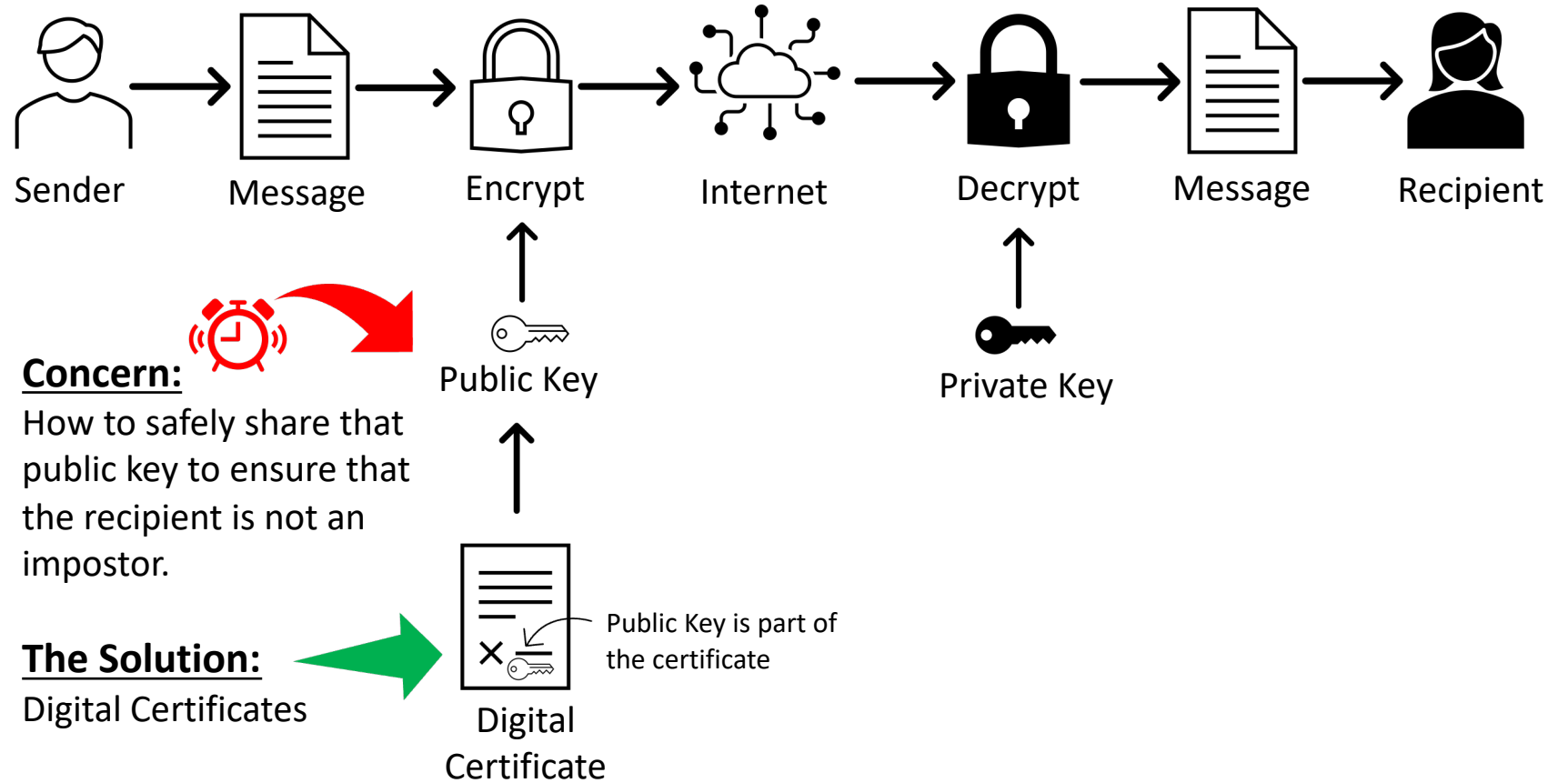
# Asymmetric Encryption

Key pair, mathematically related to each other, generated from a large random number. What is encrypted with one key can only be decrypted with the other key. The key used to encrypt is called Public Key. The Key used to decrypt is called Private key.

## How World Wide Web Communication works?

Recipient shares ~~Public Key~~ to Sender to encrypt message and uses Private Key to decrypt the message.

Recipient shares Digital Certificate to Sender. The Digital Certificate authenticates the recipient. The public Key on the certificate is then used to encrypt the message.



# Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)

Uses Chain of Trust to vouch for the authenticity of the owner's public key

## Chain of Trust

A series of certificates that link back to the issuing Certificate Authority (CA)

## How it works?

The offline Root CA certificate private's key signs the certificates of the issuing CA.

The issuing CA is responsible to issue Identity certificates signed by its private key.

This provides a layer of separation between the Root CA and the Identity Certificates, denoted by the dotted line

### Certificate Authority (CA)

- Trusted Organization that verifies the entity issuing the **Digital Certificate**.

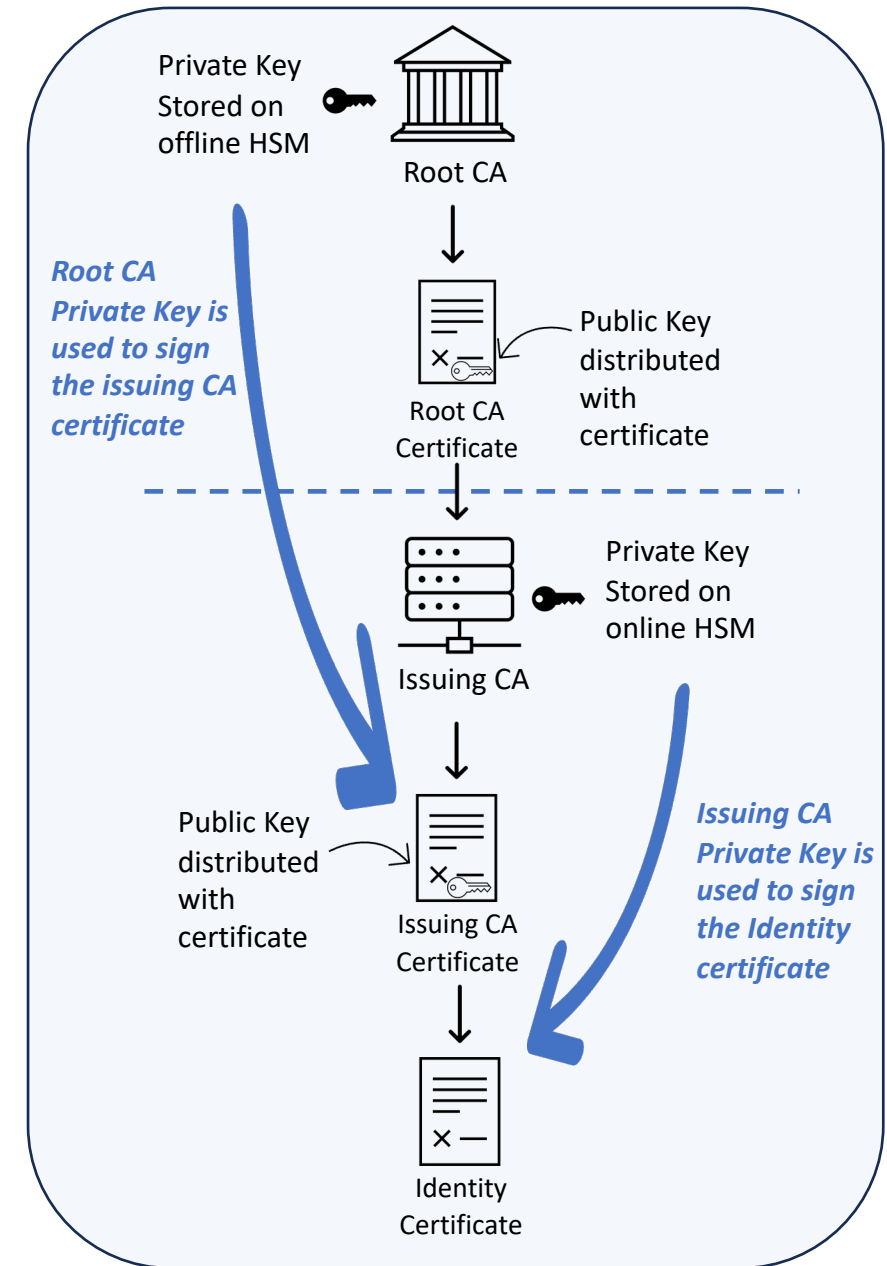
### Digital Certificate

- Takes advantage of Asymmetric Encryption to Create the Certificate.
- Distributes the owner's public key.
- Establishes the identity of the owner of the certificate by **Digitally Signing** the certificate.

### Digital Signature

- Secures the integrity of data.
- Makes use of hashes to generate a digest code or Fingerprint which is then encrypted to generate the Digital Signature

## Chain of Trust



# Digital Signature

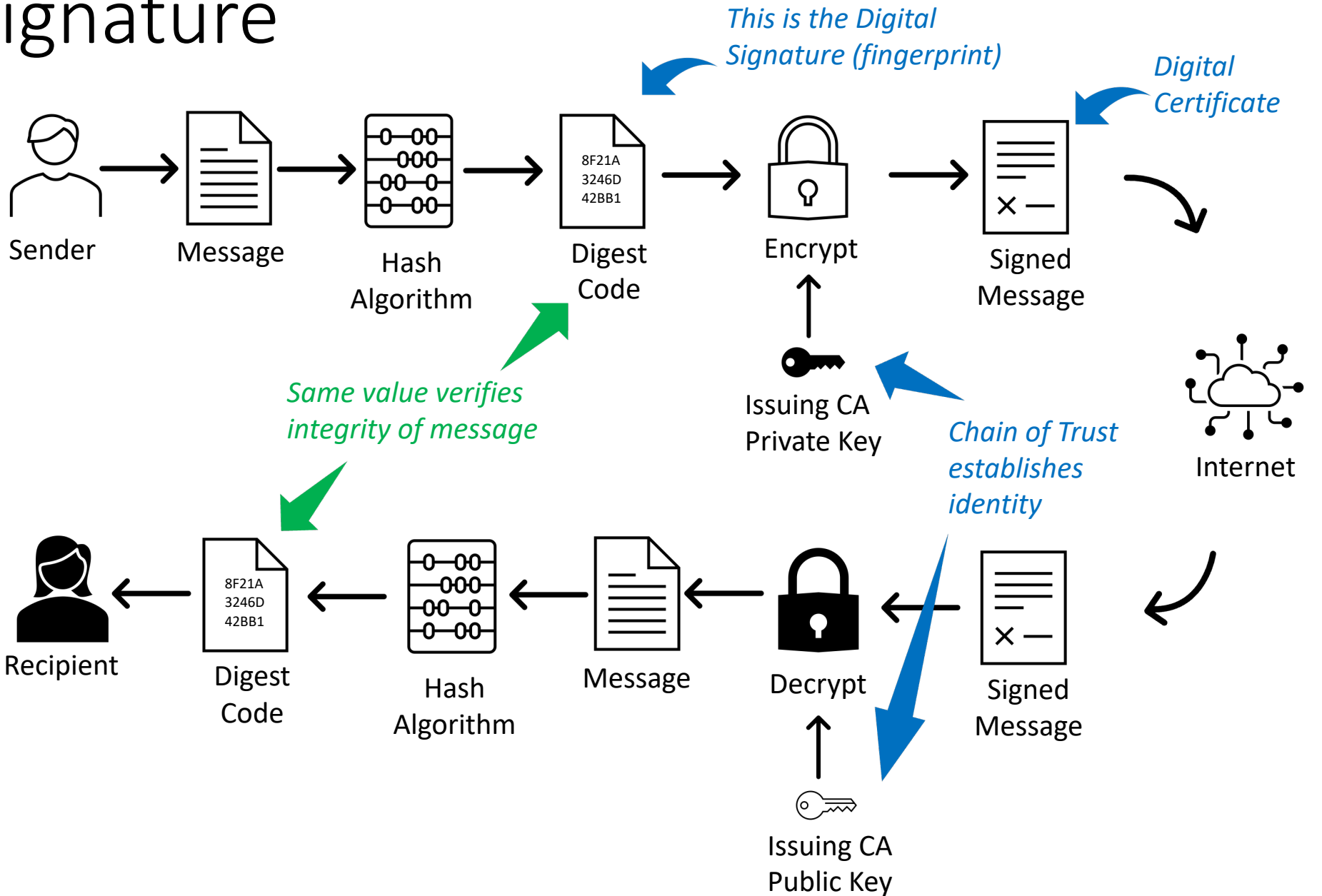
A Digital Signature ensures the integrity of the message by hashing a unique fingerprint of the message.

## What is Hashing?

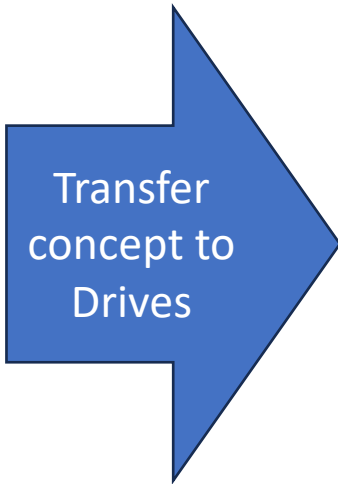
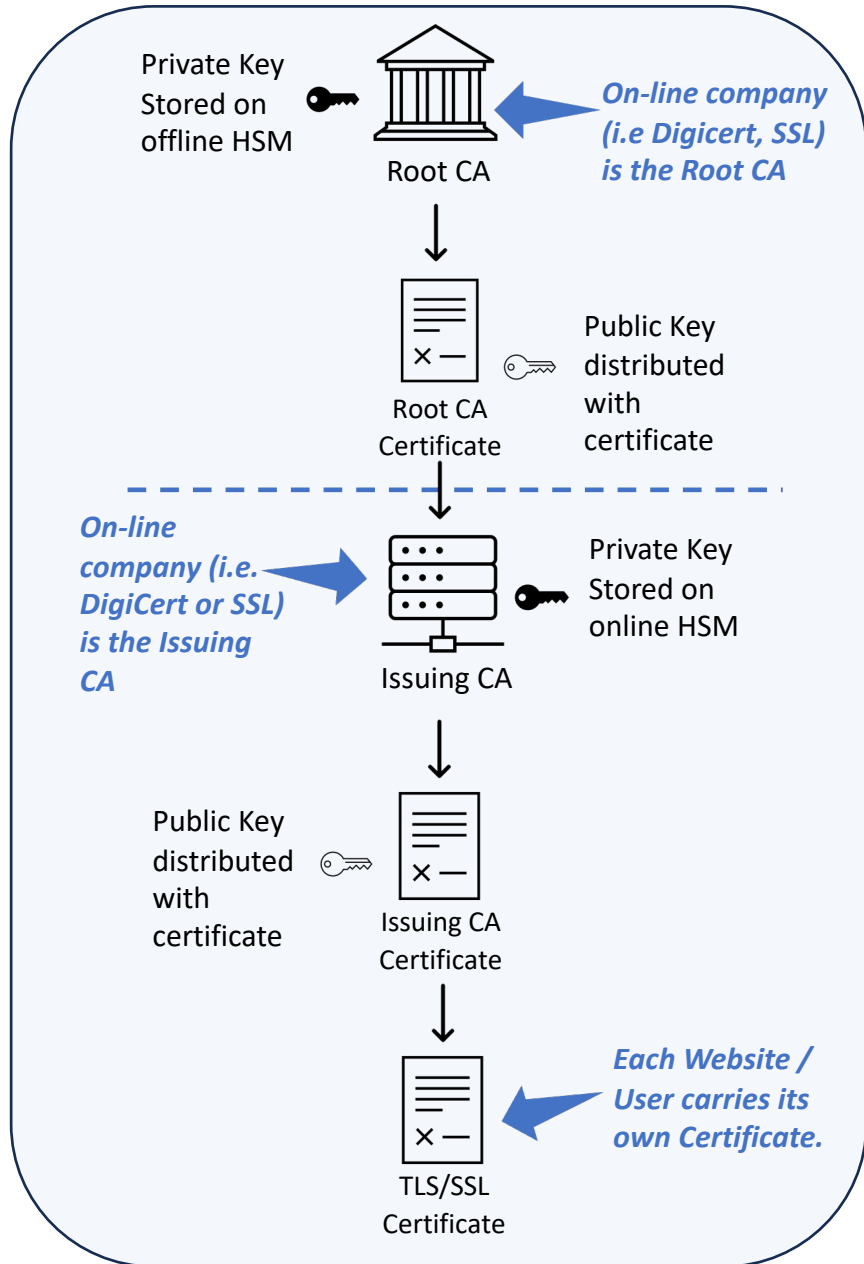
Process of converting data to a fixed length string using a Hashing Function (algorithm)

## Hash properties:

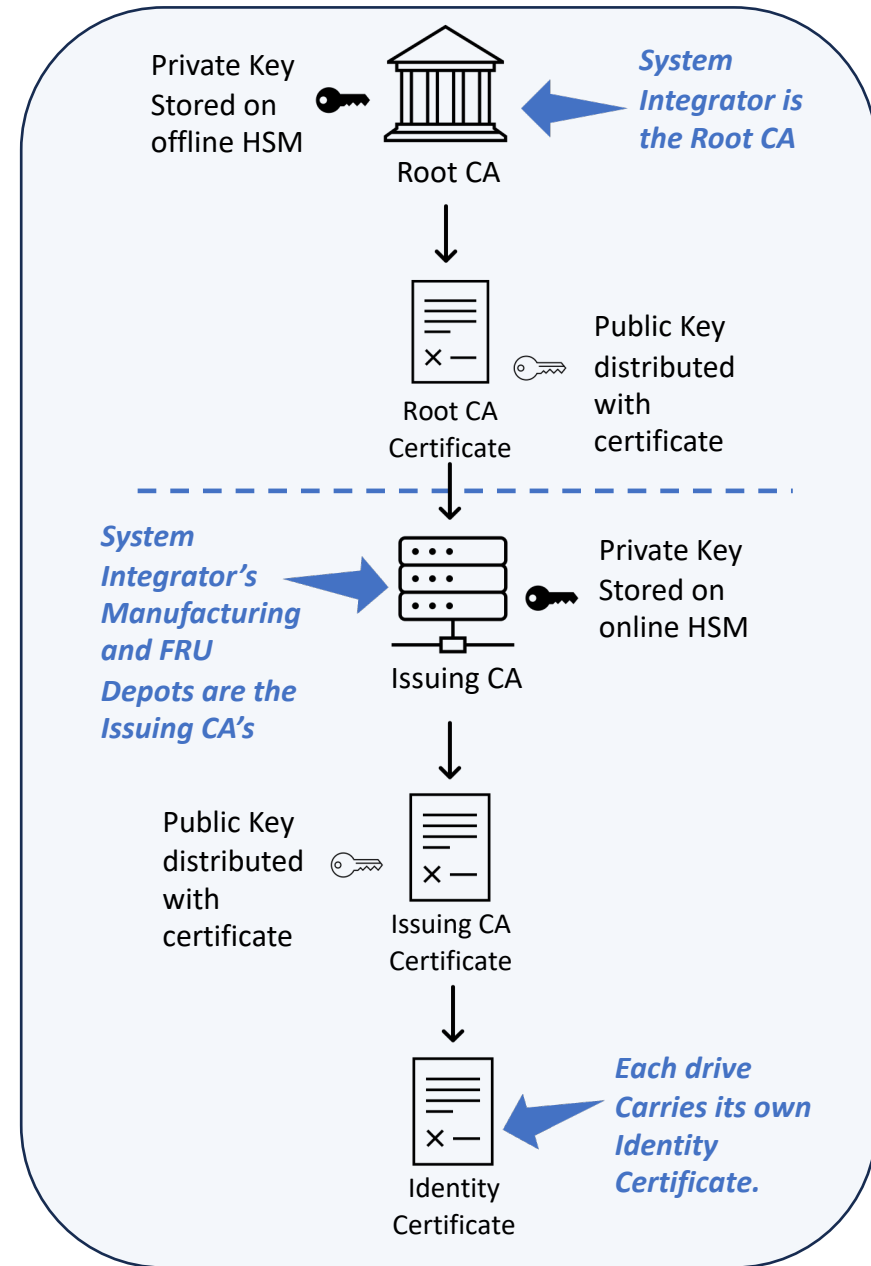
- Deterministic
- Unique \*
- Irreversible



# World Wide Web Chain of Trust

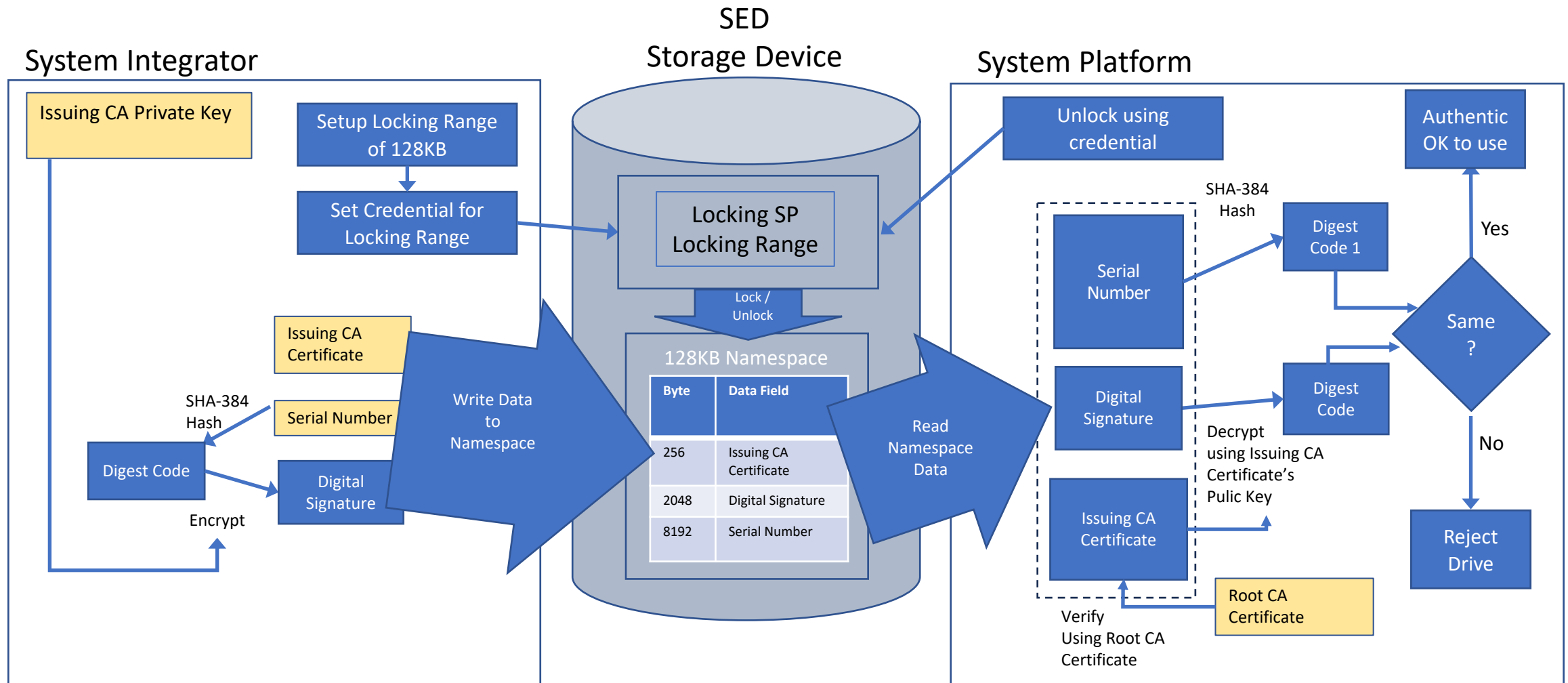


# Drive Chain of Trust





# SED Drive Authentication using PKI



# Security Protocol and Data Model (SPDM)

- Protocol that defines messages, data objects, and sequences for exchanging messages between devices over various physical and transport media.
- Used for Authentication, Attestation and protection of data in Flight.
- Can be enabled over a variety of media and can be referenced and leveraged by other standards organizations like NVM Express.
- For more information:
  - <https://www.dmtf.org/standards/spdm>

