



The Authentication Jungle

An overview of all sorts of authentication technologies

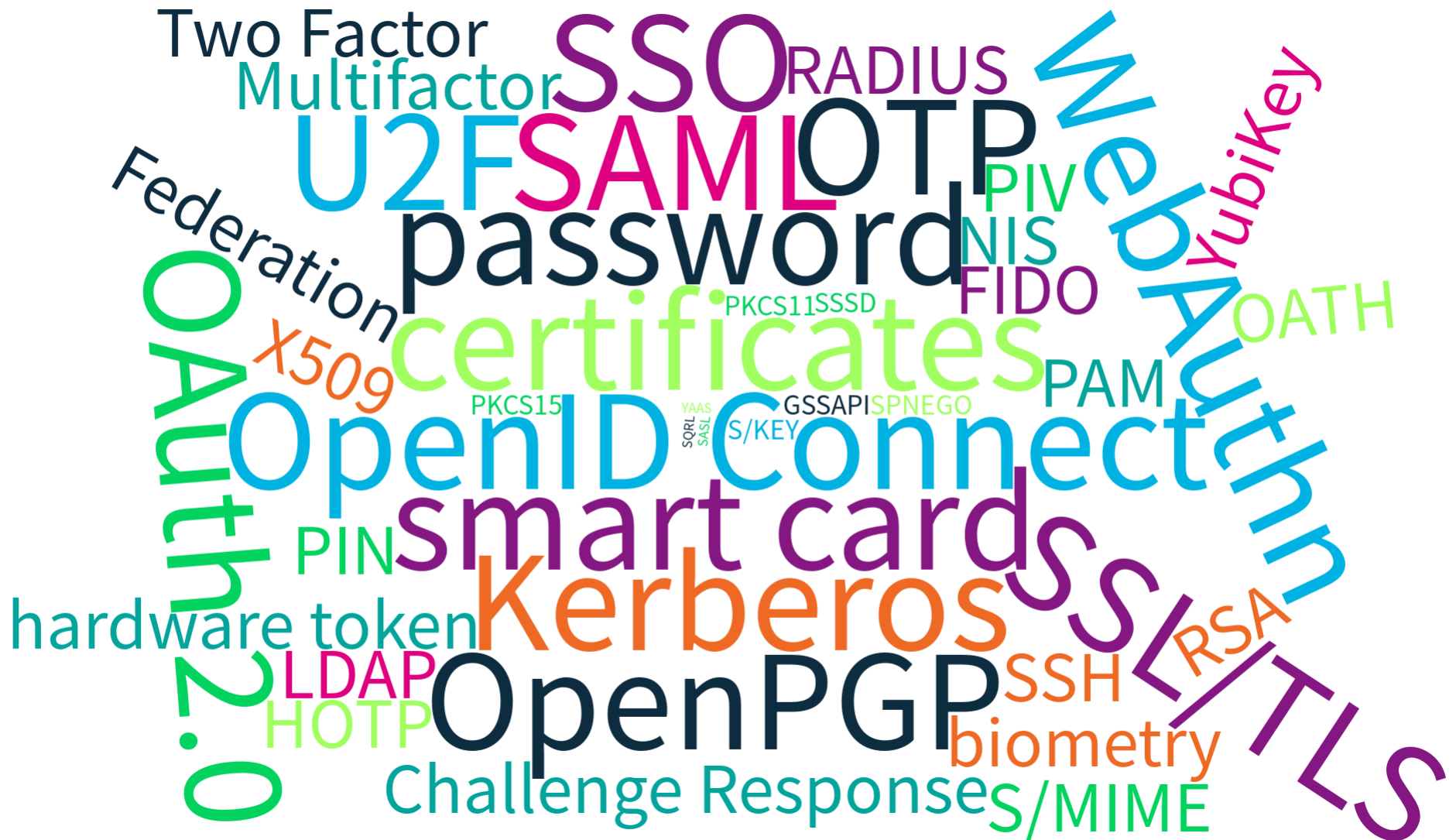
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New authentication standards ...

HOW STANDARDS PROLIFERATE:
(SEE: A/C CHARGERS, CHARACTER ENCODINGS, INSTANT MESSAGING, ETC.)



Some authentication technologies ...





- **Authentication theory**
- **“Simple” authentication schemes**
- **Centralized authentication schemes**
- **Federated authentication schemes**
- **Conclusion**

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Authentication theory

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What is authentication?

“[...] the act of confirming the truth of an attribute of a single piece of data [...]”

(Wikipedia)

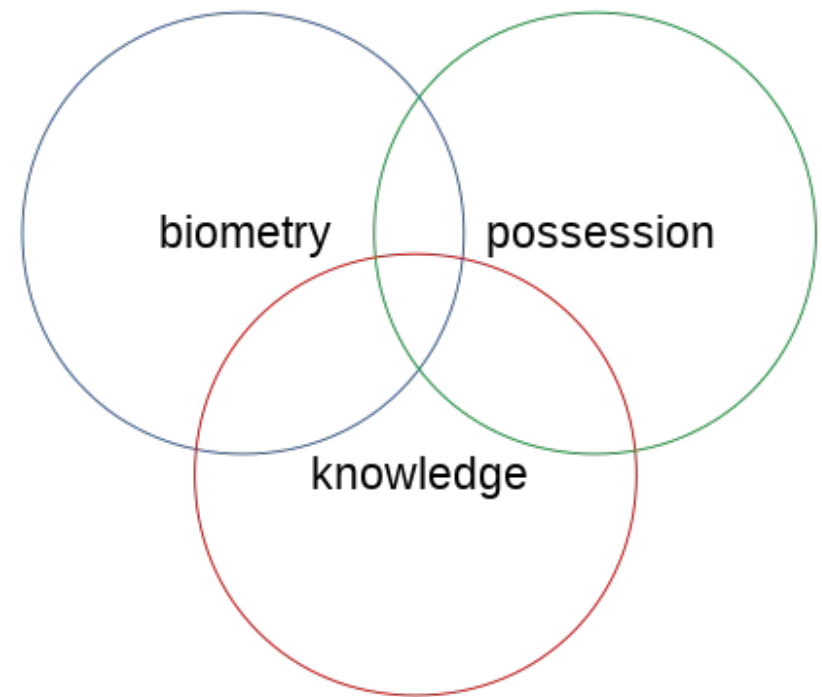
In our context: Mostly concerned about user authentication

→ *Who am I communicating with?*

Attributes for authentication

- **Something you know**
 - Secrets (Password, PIN, code, etc.)
- **Something you have**
 - Physical keys
 - Hardware tokens (Smart card, YubiKey, etc.)

→ *Should be difficult to clone*
- **Something you are**
 - Fingerprint
 - Iris
 - Face recognition



Challenges for authentication technologies

- Security

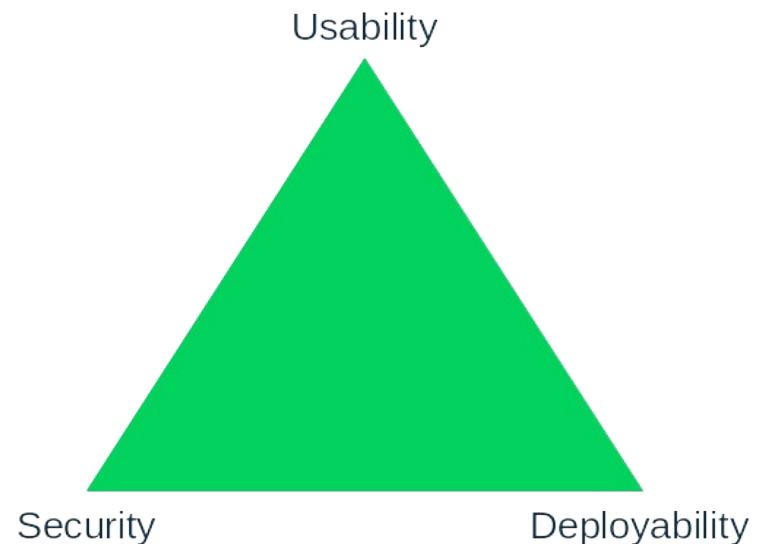
- Resiliency to guessing (brute force, online, offline)
- Resiliency to phishing
- Resiliency to theft
- Resiliency to physical observation
- Resiliency to internal observation
- No trusted third parties
- Explicit user-consent
- Unlinkability

- Usability

- Memorywise effortless
- Scalable for users
- Nothing to carry
- Easy recovery from loss

- Deployability

- Cost per user
- Server compatible
- Browser compatible
- Maturity
- Non proprietary



Authentication vs. Authorization

Authentication (AuthN, A1, Au)

→ *Who am I communicating with?*

Authorization (AuthZ, AuthR, A2, Az)

→ *What am I allowed to do?*

→ **Most of the time: Tightly coupled**



“Simple” authentication schemes

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Passwords

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Password-based logins

- Apparently simple to use
- Apparently easy to implement (“string compare”)
- Universal across all domains/contexts
- Recommendations & best practices (NIST, etc.)

Username

Password

Keep me logged in (for up to 365 days)

[Log in](#)

[Help with logging in](#)

[Forgot your password?](#)

Problems with passwords

- Weak passwords
- Re-usage across different domains/contexts
- Phishing
- Static
- Breaches
- User's responsibility
 - Chocolate study
 - Easy to remember = Easy to guess

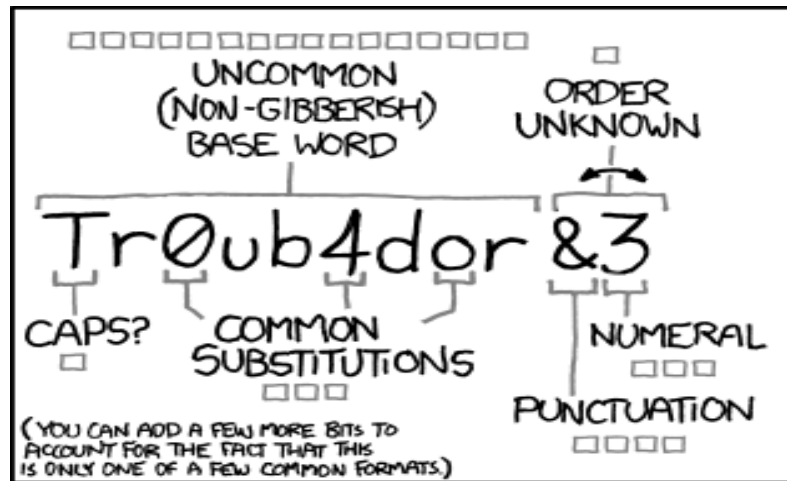
Experts get it wrong

- NIST Special Publication 800-63. Appendix A
 - Originally from 2003
 - Based on no real data (not available)
 - Expiration after x days
 - No re-usage of last x passwords
 - Different character classes: Special character, numbers, big and small caps
 - Example: P@ssW0rd123!

→ Users still choose easy-to-guess passwords

- Less entropy than expected
- Regular changes bad idea
 - Stolen credentials are used right away (not after x days)
 - weak passwords
 - Workaround: password1 → password2 → password3 → password1

Fun with password strength



~28 BITS OF ENTROPY

$2^{28} = 3 \text{ DAYS AT } 1000 \text{ GUESSES/SEC}$

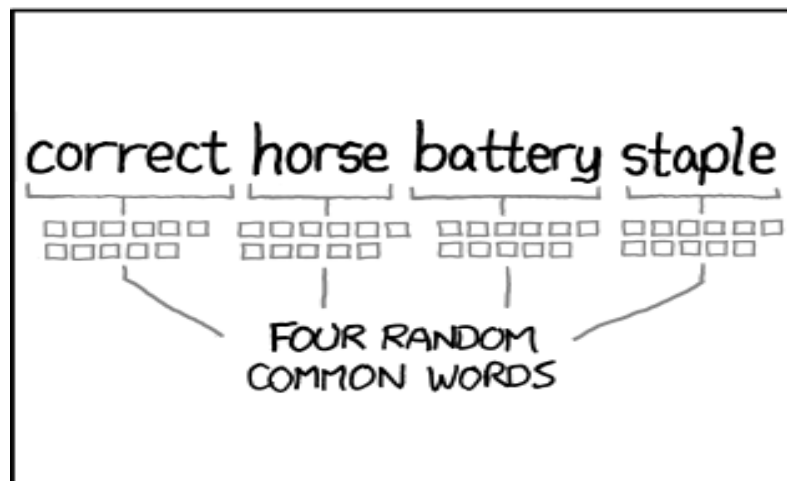
(PLAUSIBLE ATTACK ON A WEAK REMOTE WEB SERVICE. YES, CRACKING A STOLEN HASH IS FASTER, BUT IT'S NOT WHAT THE AVERAGE USER SHOULD WORRY ABOUT.)

DIFFICULTY TO GUESS: **EASY**

WAS IT TROMBONE? NO, TROUBADOR. AND ONE OF THE 0s WAS A ZERO?

AND THERE WAS SOME SYMBOL...

DIFFICULTY TO REMEMBER: **HARD**



~44 BITS OF ENTROPY

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DIFFICULTY TO GUESS: **HARD**

THAT'S A BATTERY STAPLE.

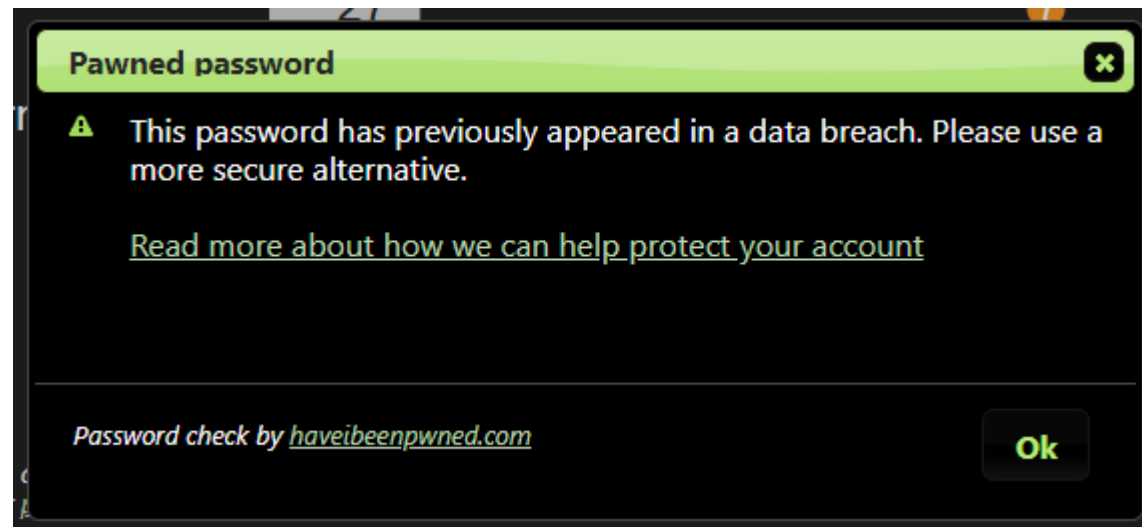
CORRECT!

DIFFICULTY TO REMEMBER: YOU'VE ALREADY MEMORIZED IT

THROUGH 20 YEARS OF EFFORT, WE'VE SUCCESSFULLY TRAINED EVERYONE TO USE PASSWORDS THAT ARE HARD FOR HUMANS TO REMEMBER, BUT EASY FOR COMPUTERS TO GUESS.

haveibeenpwned.com

- One (of many) password databases based on dumps (> 500 million passwords)
- Search for your account in existing dumps
- Notify when account appears in new dumps
- API / datasets for querying passwords (k-anonymity)
- Should be checked during account creation / password change



Mitigations

- Pro-active password checks during account creation and password changes
- Re-active leak monitoring (i.e. haveibeenpwned.com):
 - Single accounts
 - Whole domain
- Use and encourage password manager
- No annoying limitations for passwords
- Multifactor authentication

- Other authentication schemes
 - Single-Sign-On & Federation



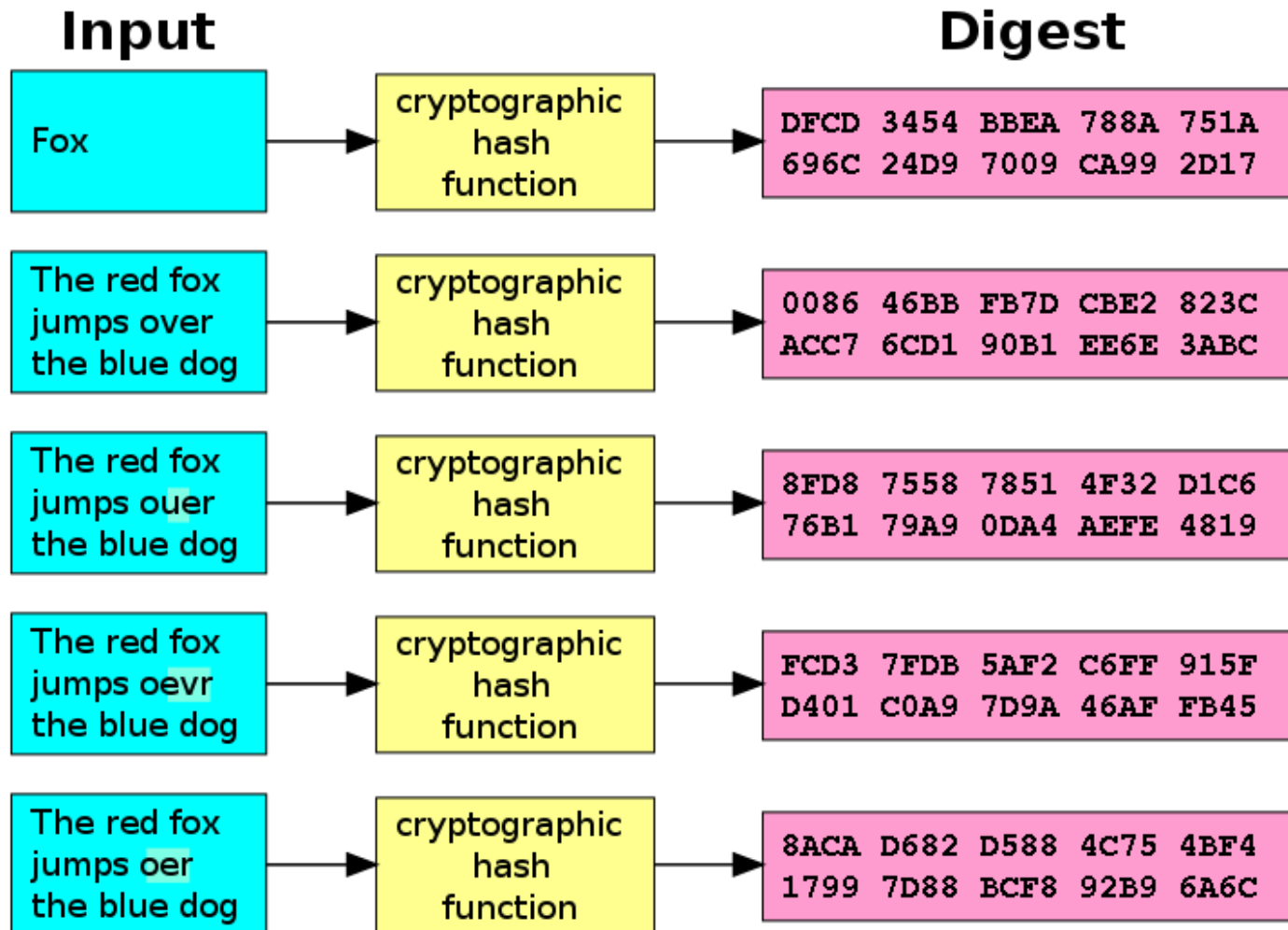
Crypto 101

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Crypto 101: Cryptographic hash functions

- Returns a (fixed-size) output (“hash-value”) for any input
 - Easy to calculate the hash value value for any given data
 - Computationally difficult to calculate an input with a given hash value
 - Unlikely that two (slightly) different messages have the same hash value
- $H(\text{message}) \rightarrow \text{output}$
- Examples
 - SHA1 (e.g. git)
 - SHA2 (256, 384, 512)
 - SHA3
 - MD5
 - MD4
- Use cases
 - Message integrity
 - Digital signatures
 - Authentication

Crypto 101: Cryptographic hash functions



Crypto 101: HMAC

- Hash-based message authentication code
- Defined in RFC2104
- Any cryptographic hash function can be used
- $\text{HMAC}(\text{secret}, \text{message}) \rightarrow \text{output} [\text{hash}]$

- Examples
 - HMAC-MD5
 - HMAC-SHA256
 - HMAC-SHA3

- Use cases
 - data integrity
 - authentication





















Multifactor authentication

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Multifactor authentication to the rescue

- Basic idea: Use multiple factors for authentication (passwords is not sufficient)
 - 2FA = Two-factor authentication
 - MFA = Multi-factor authentication
 - Examples:
 - One-Time passwords (OTP)
 - Chip & TAN
 - password & certificate (OpenVPN, etc.)
- Different channels:
 - SMS
 - Smart card (chipTAN)
 - (Smartphone) apps
 - Different devices (Notifications from Google on Android, etc.)
 - Hardware tokens (RSA SecurID, YubiKey, U2F, etc.)

twofactorauth.org

Email	Docs	SMS	Phone Call	Email	Hardware Token	Software Token
 Aol Mail		✓	✓			
 FastMail		✓			✓	✓
 Freenet	 Tell them to support 2FA on Facebook					
 Gmail		✓	✓		✓	✓
 GMX	 Tell them to support 2FA on Twitter					
 Hushmail		✓		✓		✓
 Legalmail	 Tell them to support 2FA on Twitter  Tell them to support 2FA on Facebook					
 Mail.com	 Tell them to support 2FA on Twitter  Tell them to support 2FA on Facebook					

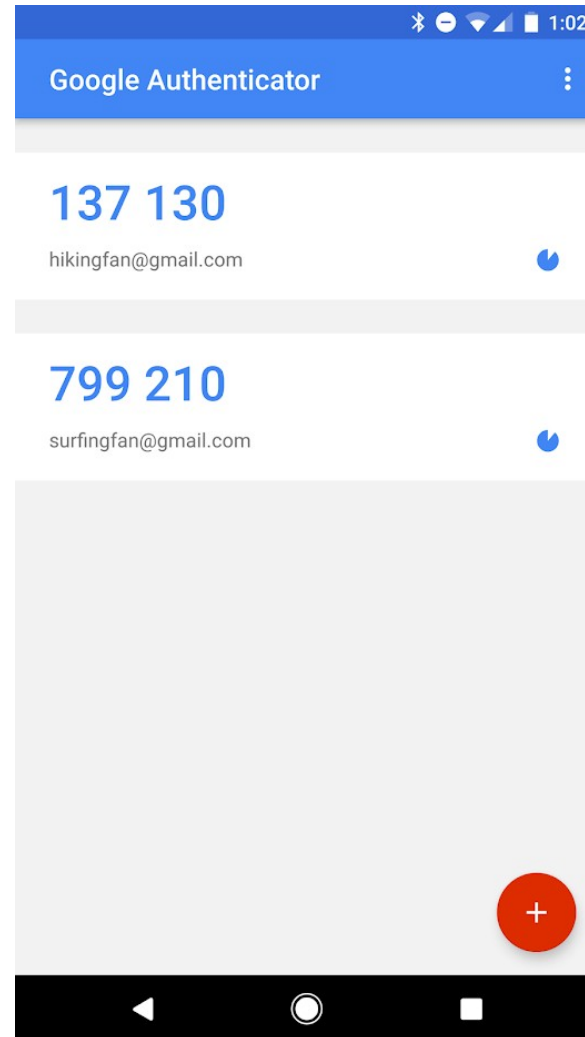
OATH: TOTP & HOTP

- Standardized by OATH (≠ OAuth)
- Many software implementations & hardware tokens
- Requires initial setup to establish shared secret between provider and user
 - e.g. QR code
- TOTP: Time-based OTP
 - Code: $\text{HMAC}(\text{sharedSecret}, \text{timestamp})$
- HOTP: Event-based OTP
 - Code: $\text{HMAC}(\text{sharedSecret}, \text{counter})$

Soft-token implementations



otpauth://totp/label?secret=secret&issuer=issuer



Hardware OTP tokens

- Shared secret is stored in hardware
→ Cannot be duplicated
- Requires enrollment process
- More on hardware tokens → second talk



Yubico OTP

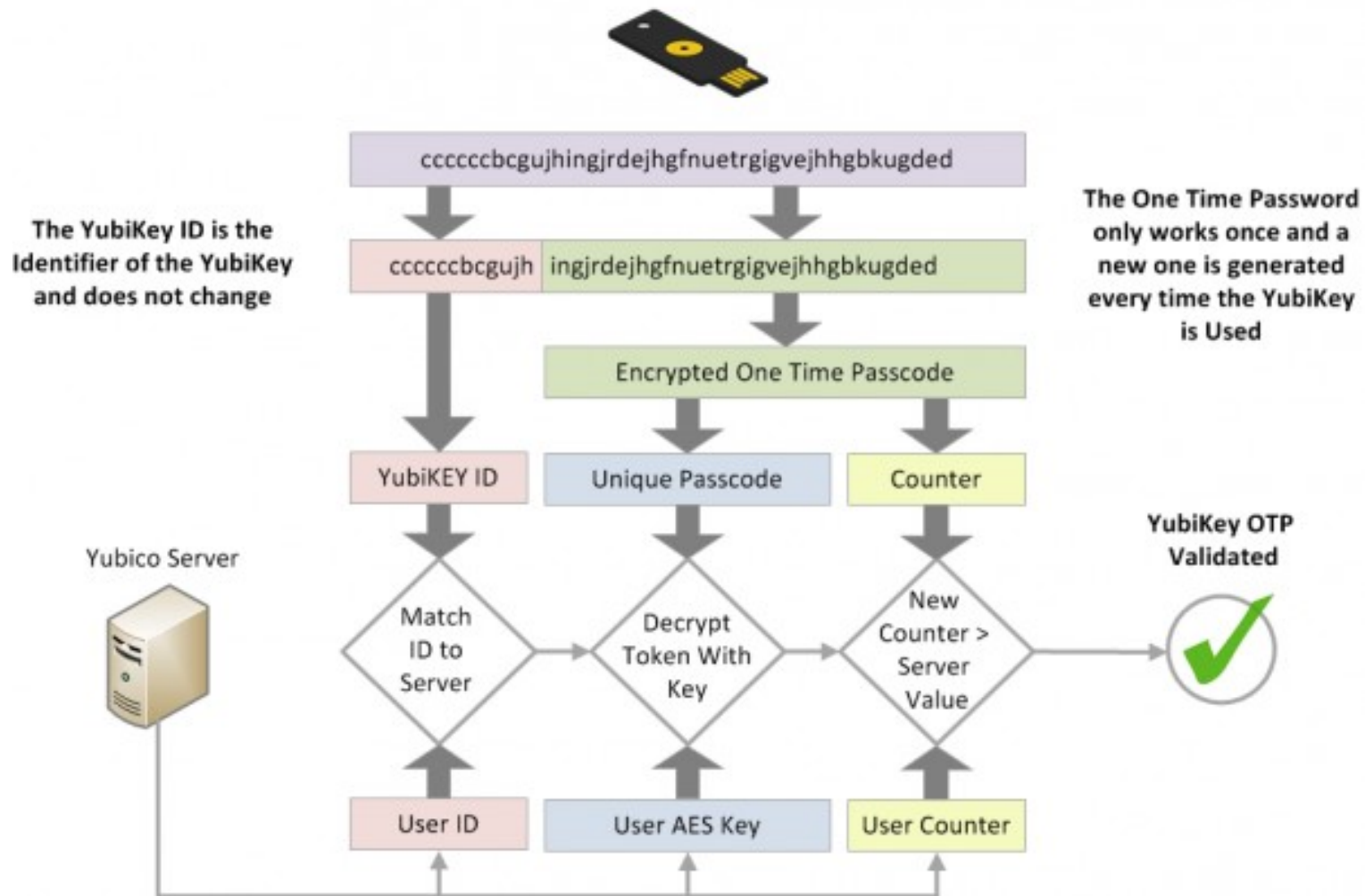
- Hardware token with USB interface
- Emulating USB keyboard
- Multiple slots
 - Short push (~ 0.5 sec)
 - Long push (~ 2 sec)
- Push button → User consent

- Supports OATH
 - HOTP
 - TOTP (requires software on host)
 - Yubico OTP

- Many other modes of operation → second talk



Yubico OTP explanation



Problems with multifactor authentication

- Based on shared secret
 - Still something to loose (data breach)
- Trusted third party (in case of RSA, Yubico OTP, etc.)
- Broken fallback routines / recovery processes
- Inconvenient (i.e. smartphone not available, etc.)
- No inherent MitM protection (active attacks, phishing, session hijacking)
- Scales badly
 - Requires setup for each service
 - Requires dedicated key / slot for each service
 - Cost per device



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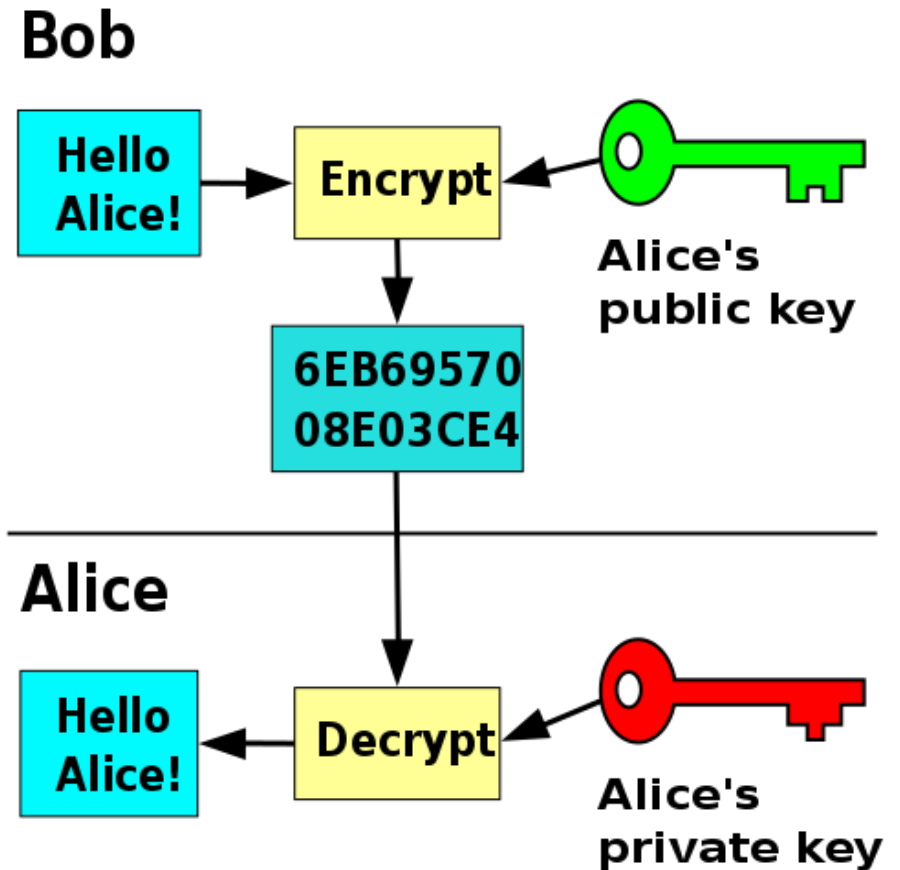
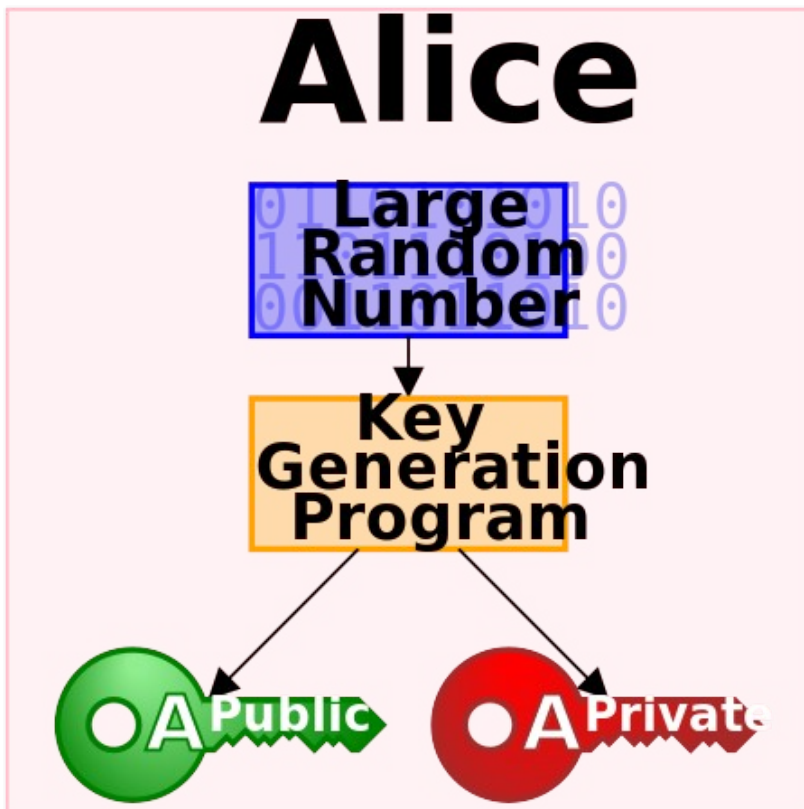
Crypto 101: Symmetric cryptography

- Encryption and decryption are using the same secret (key)
- Examples:
 - AES
 - DES, 3DES
 - Blowfish
 - Twofish
 - RC4
- Block cipher modes:
 - ECB
 - CBC
 - OFB
 - XTS

Crypto 101: Asymmetric Cryptography

- Two keys (referred to as a key pair)
 - Public
 - Private
- Examples:
 - RSA
 - DH (Diffie Hellman)
 - ECC (Elliptic Curve Cryptography)
- Use cases
 - Encryption
 - Authentication
 - Key agreement
 - Signatures
 - Verification
- **Challenge:** Key exchange, authenticity of public keys

Crypto 101: Asymmetric Cryptography





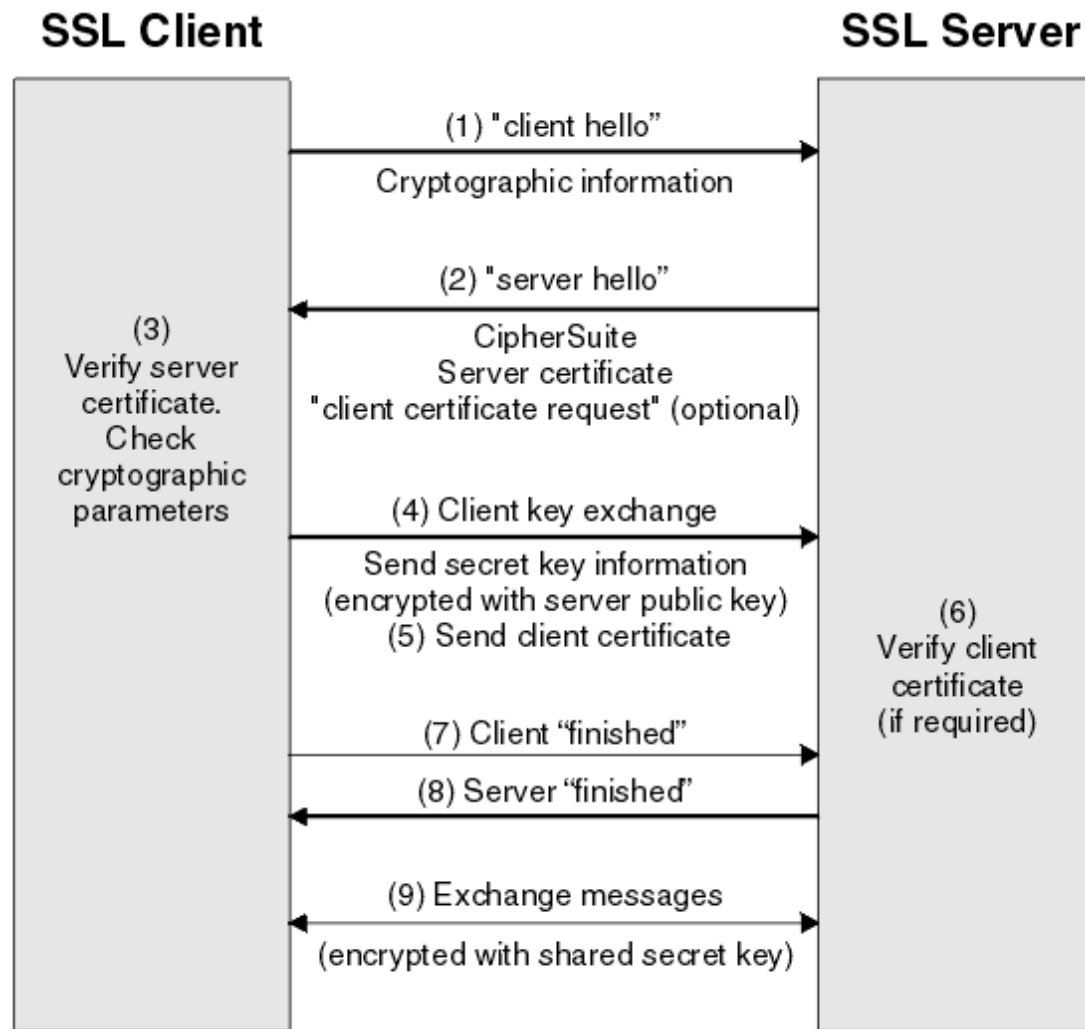
SSL/TLS (X509)

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SSL/TLS basics

- Prevalent throughout the Internet
- Can basically be used with all protocols (https, ldaps, imaps, etc.)
- Provides confidentiality, integrity, authentication
- Mostly: One-way authentication (Browser)
- Chain of trust: Certificate authority (CA) → ... (intermediate CA) ... → certificate
- PKI: Public-key infrastructure
- **Interesting to us: Client certificates**
 - Can be offloaded to hardware → Second talk

SSL/TLS handshake



Server certificates

Zertifikat-Ansicht: "github.com" x

Allgemein Details

Dieses Zertifikat wurde für die folgenden Verwendungen verifiziert:

- SSL-Client-Zertifikat
- SSL-Server-Zertifikat

Ausgestellt für

Allgemeiner Name (CN) github.com
Organisation (O) GitHub, Inc.
Organisationseinheit (OU) <kein Teil des Zertifikats>
Seriennummer 0A:06:30:42:7F:5B:BC:ED:69:57:39:65:93:B6:45:1F

Ausgestellt von

Allgemeiner Name (CN) DigiCert SHA2 Extended Validation Server CA
Organisation (O) DigiCert Inc
Organisationseinheit (OU) www.digicert.com

Gültigkeitsdauer

Beginnt mit 8. Mai 2018
Gültig bis 3. Juni 2020

Fingerabdrücke

SHA-256-Fingerabdruck 31:11:50:0C:4A:66:01:2C:DA:E3:33:EC:3F:CA:1C:9D:DE:45:C9:54:44:0E:7E:E4:13:71:6B:FF:36:63:C0:74

SHA1-Fingerabdruck CA:06:F5:6B:25:8B:7A:0D:4F:2B:05:47:09:39:47:86:51:15:19:84

Schließen

Zertifikat-Ansicht: "github.com" x

Allgemein Details

Zertifikatshierarchie

- ▼ DigiCert High Assurance EV Root CA
 - ▼ DigiCert SHA2 Extended Validation Server CA
 - github.com

Zertifikats-Layout

- ▼ github.com
 - ▼ Zertifikat
 - Version
 - Seriennummer
 - Zertifikatsunterzeichnungs-Algorithmus
 - Aussteller
 - ▼ Validität
 - Nicht vor
 - Nicht nach
 - Inhaber
 - ▼ Angaben zum öffentlichen Schlüssel des Inhabers

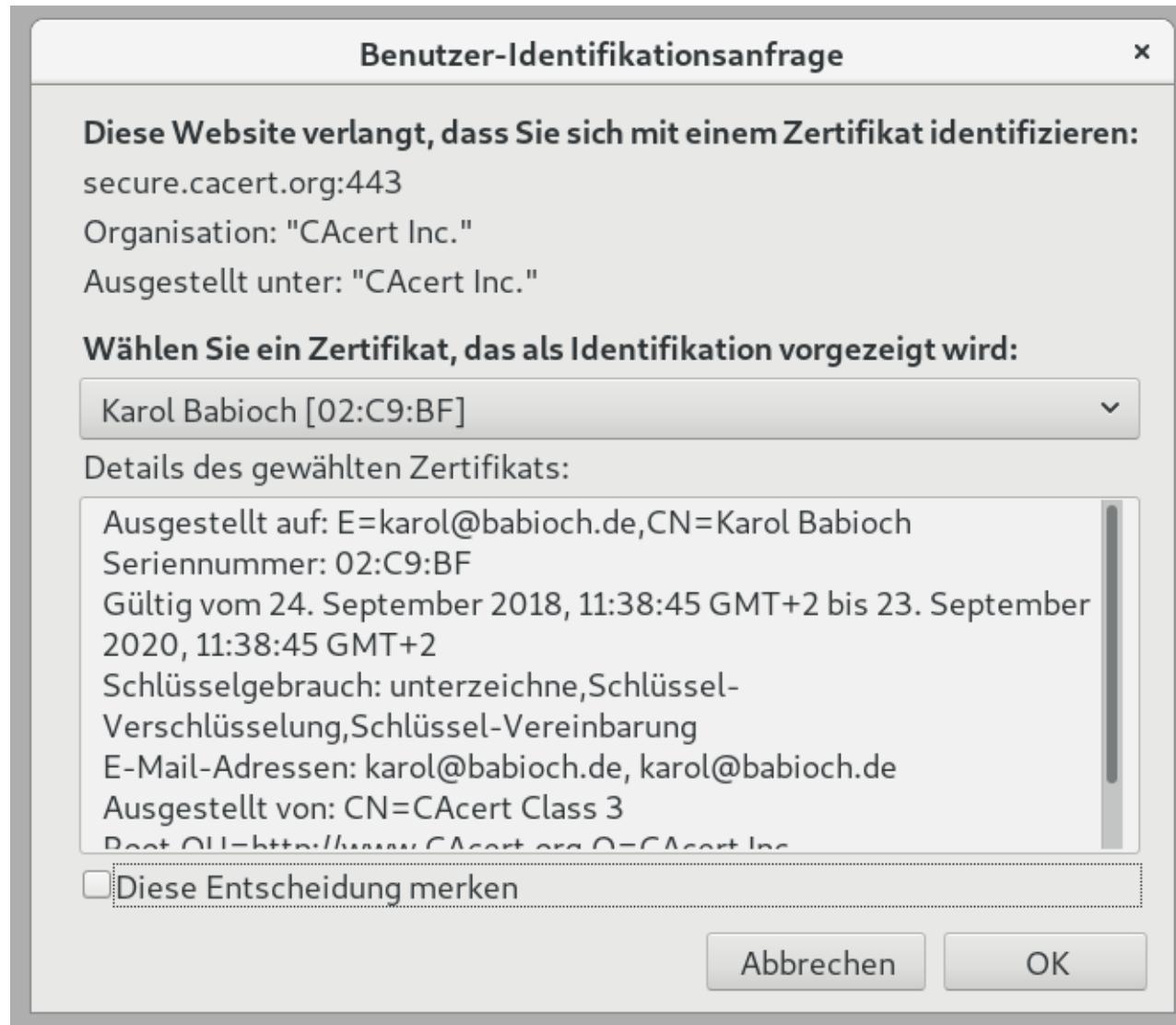
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O = "GitHub, Inc."
L = San Francisco
ST = California
C = US
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Objekt-Bezeichner (1 3 6 1 4 1 311 60 2 1 2) = Delaware
Objekt-Bezeichner (1 3 6 1 4 1 311 60 2 1 3) = US
Objekt-Bezeichner (2 5 4 15) = Private Organization

Exportieren...

Schließen

Client certificates



Certificates

- Many attributes
 - Valid before
 - Valid after
 - Common name
 - Public key
 - Issuer
 - ...
- Binding between key pair and an identity

Problems with SSL/TLS

- General SSL/TLS criticism
 - Trusted Third Party → Every CA can sign anything
 - Broken revocation
 - Key pinning challenging
 - etc., pp.
- Specific to client certificates
 - Support for client certificates (applications, protocols, etc.)
 - Verification of client certificates
 - Handling certificates correctly is challenging
 - Roll your own CA?
 - Privacy concerns (→ TLS 1.3?)



OpenPGP

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OpenPGP basics

- RFC 4880
- Most widely used implementation: GnuPG (gpg)
- Allows
 - Encryption
 - Signatures / Verification
 - Authentication
- Decentral approach (“web of trust”)
 - Everybody can create key pairs
 - Distribution via keyservers
 - Authentication via keysigning

OpenPGP example

```
-----BEGIN PGP SIGNED MESSAGE-----
```

```
Hash: SHA256
```

```
Hi,
```

```
this is a test message, contained in inline PGP.
```

```
Best regards,
```

```
Karol Babioch
```

```
-----BEGIN PGP SIGNATURE-----
```

```
iQIzBAEBCAAAdFiEEbzQ4iM2eBJRwzXNEZoQkK1WQrXkFAluf6scACgkQZoQkK1WQ  
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5pERXlNKknvpjKEuomRLEyDwzNz5MygoBY1YYmSBHDcgtjBufPs=  
=DW8u
```

```
-----END PGP SIGNATURE-----
```


OpenPGP problems (1)

HOW TO USE PGP TO VERIFY
THAT AN EMAIL IS AUTHENTIC:

LOOK FOR THIS
TEXT AT THE TOP:



OpenPGP problems (2)

- Very inconvenient and difficult to use
 - Snowden vs. Glenn Greenwald
 - Web of Trust
 - Trust models (pgp, classic, tofu, tofu+pgp, direct, always, auto)
 - Keysigning parties → Crypto nerd overkill
 - Mail addresses are often not verified
 - Keys are lost all of the time
 - Unlimited lifetime → Bad practice
 - Revocation
 - Fake keys
 - Key handle collision (short handles)
 - Autocrypt !?!
- In daily communication: Utterly broken (in my opinion)
- Good for automated signing and verification
 - Can be part of supply chain security
 - Software distribution



WebAuthn

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WebAuthn

- New emerging standard (W3C Candidate Recommendation, 7 August 2018)
- Supported by major browsers
- Derived from work previously done by FIDO Alliance (UAF, U2F)
- Mostly backwards-compatible with U2F
- Single factor or additional factor
- JavaScript-based API
- Allows for public-key cryptography in the browser through standardized API
 - Nothing to loose for service providers!

WebAuthn basics

- Server → Relying party (RP)
 - Generates and delivers JavaScript
- Browser
 - Processes JavaScript → Forwards request to authenticator
 - Acts as “proxy” between Authenticator and RP
- Authenticator
 - hardware token (USB, Bluetooth, NFC, etc.)
 - Software / operating system (e.g. Windows Hello (?))

WebAuthn steps

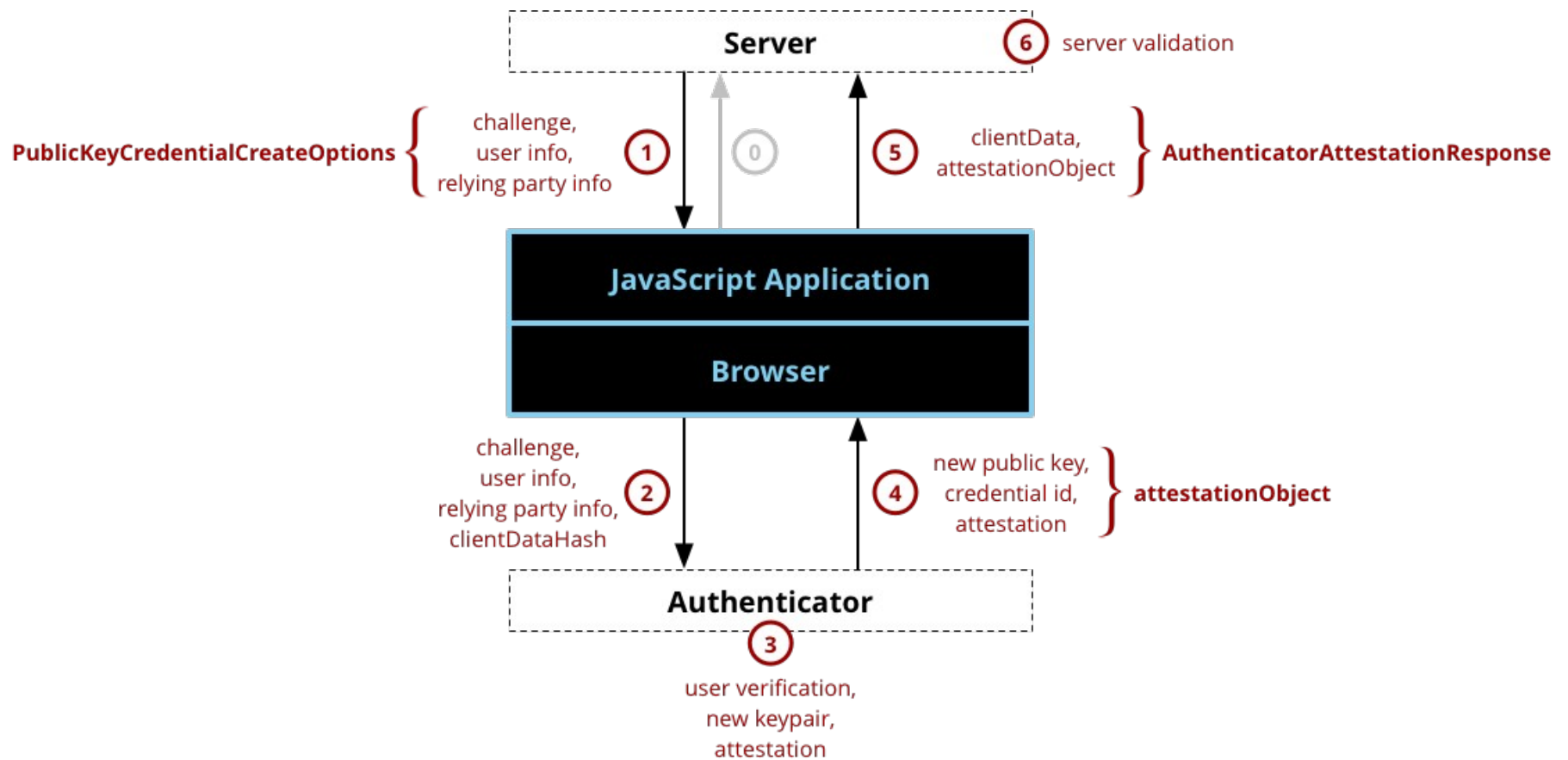
1.) Registration

- Create and register new public key

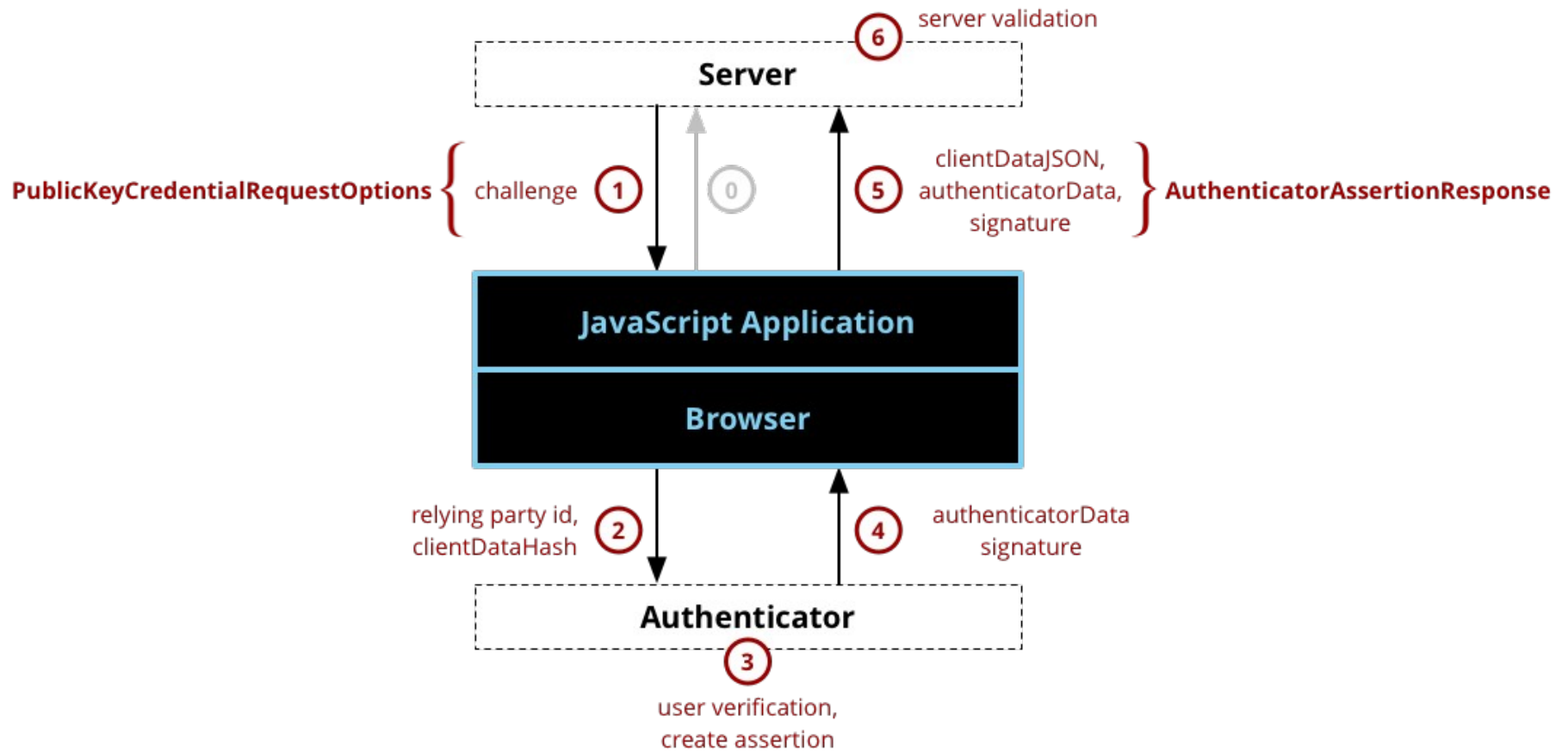
2.) Authentication

- Use previously registered public key to sign a challenge

WebAuthn registration



WebAuthn authentication



WebAuthn browser support

- Browser support

Desktop		Mobile				
Feature	Chrome	Firefox (Gecko)	Internet Explorer	Opera	Safari (WebKit)	
Basic support	65	60 (60) ^[1]	No support	No support	No support	

Desktop		Mobile				
Feature	Android Webview	Chrome for Android	Firefox Mobile (Gecko)	IE Phone	Opera Mobile	Safari Mobile
Basic support	No support	No support	No support ^[1]	No support	No support	No support

WebAuthn challenges / problems

- Adoption, adoption, adoption
 - Browser support
 - Users
 - Servers & application
- Security concerns due to weak cryptography in standard (beginning of Aug 2018)
 - RSA: PKCS1v1.5 padding
 - ECC: ECDA

→ <https://paragonie.com/blog/2018/08/security-concerns-surrounding-webauthn-don-t-implement-ecdaa-yet>

WebAuthn demo

- <https://webauthn.bin.coffee/>
- <http://webauthndemo.appspot.com/>
- <https://webauthn.org/>

→ More on this (FIDO2/U2F) → Second talk



FIDO2 / U2F → Second talk

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Central authentication schemes

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LDAP

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LDAP

- Lightweight Directory Access Protocol
- Based on X500 (!= X509)
- Directory service (protocol & data format, etc.)
 - Not an authentication protocol
- Central directory
 - Containing (among other things) user information
 - Can be used for authentication
- Used by many applications & appliances, etc.
- Terminology
 - Distinguished Name (DN) → Username
 - Bind → Authentication
- In most cases: Based on username & password → Same problems

LDAP example

Directory Server Eintrag

Distinguished Name

```
dn: uid=juser,ou=People, ou=web design, c=de, o=acme
```

```
objectclass: top  
objectclass: person  
objectclass: organizationalPerson  
objectclass: inetorgPerson
```

```
cn: Joe User  
givenname: Joe  
sn: User  
cn: User Joe  
telephonenumber: +49 123 12345  
mail: joe.user@acme.de  
userpassword: {SHA}fdowskjdap123hdknfc
```

User-Nutzdaten

Schema-Definition des Eintrags

LDAP problems

- Central, but no Single-Sign-On (SSO)
- Requires LDAP understanding (protocol, structure, hierarchies, etc.)
- Old and “rusty”
 - Legacy password schemes, etc.
 - Un-encrypted by default
- Requires setup by administrator / operator
 - Does not scale for users
- In fairness: Also supports other authentication schemes (SASL, Kerberos)



Federated authentication

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Kerberos

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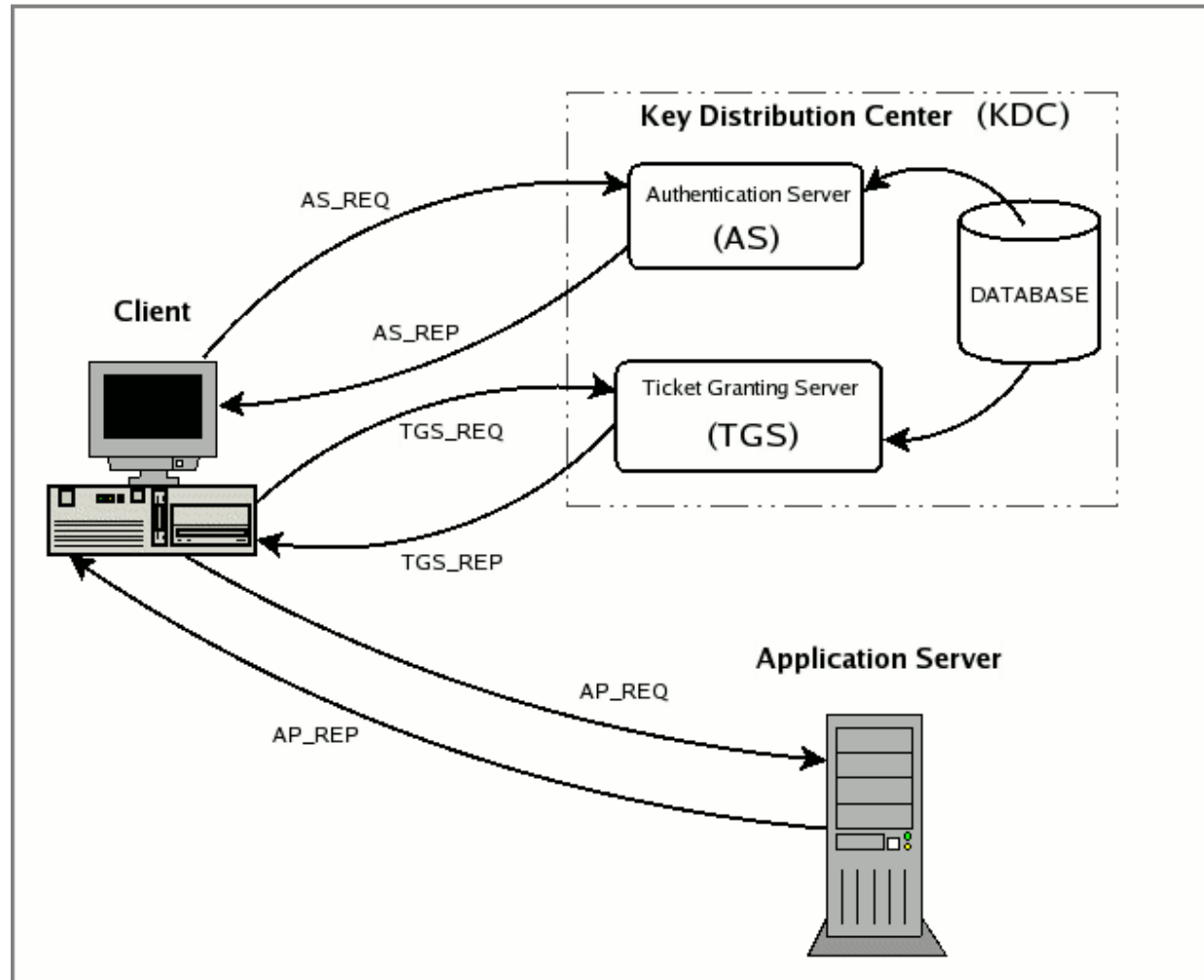
Kerberos

- Originally developed by MIT in the 80's
- Designed for Single-Sign-On
- Many implementations (e.g. Microsoft, MIT Kerberos, etc.)
- Current version: Kerberos 5

- Basic idea (“tickets”)
 - Ticket-granting ticket (TGT, “master” ticket) can be obtained from central server (KDC)
 - TGT to get any additional tickets for services
 - Service tickets for individual services

- Tickets are short-lived, can be renewed and are mostly managed automatically in credential caches, and keytabs

Kerberos architecture



Kerberos problems / challenges

- Based upon shared secrets
 - Can be mitigated somewhat by PKINIT and OTP
 - TGTs are the key to the kingdom
 - Mitigation: Short life-time and renewal
 - Only files on your machine
 - Machines can be compromised
- KDC contains all of the keys (un-encrypted!)
- Requires application support (“Kerberized”)
 - Provided via GSSAPI (e.g. SSH, NFS, Firefox, Chrome, etc.)
- Requires initial setup (domain-specific)
 - Good within corporate network
 - Scales badly with many domains, etc.



SAML

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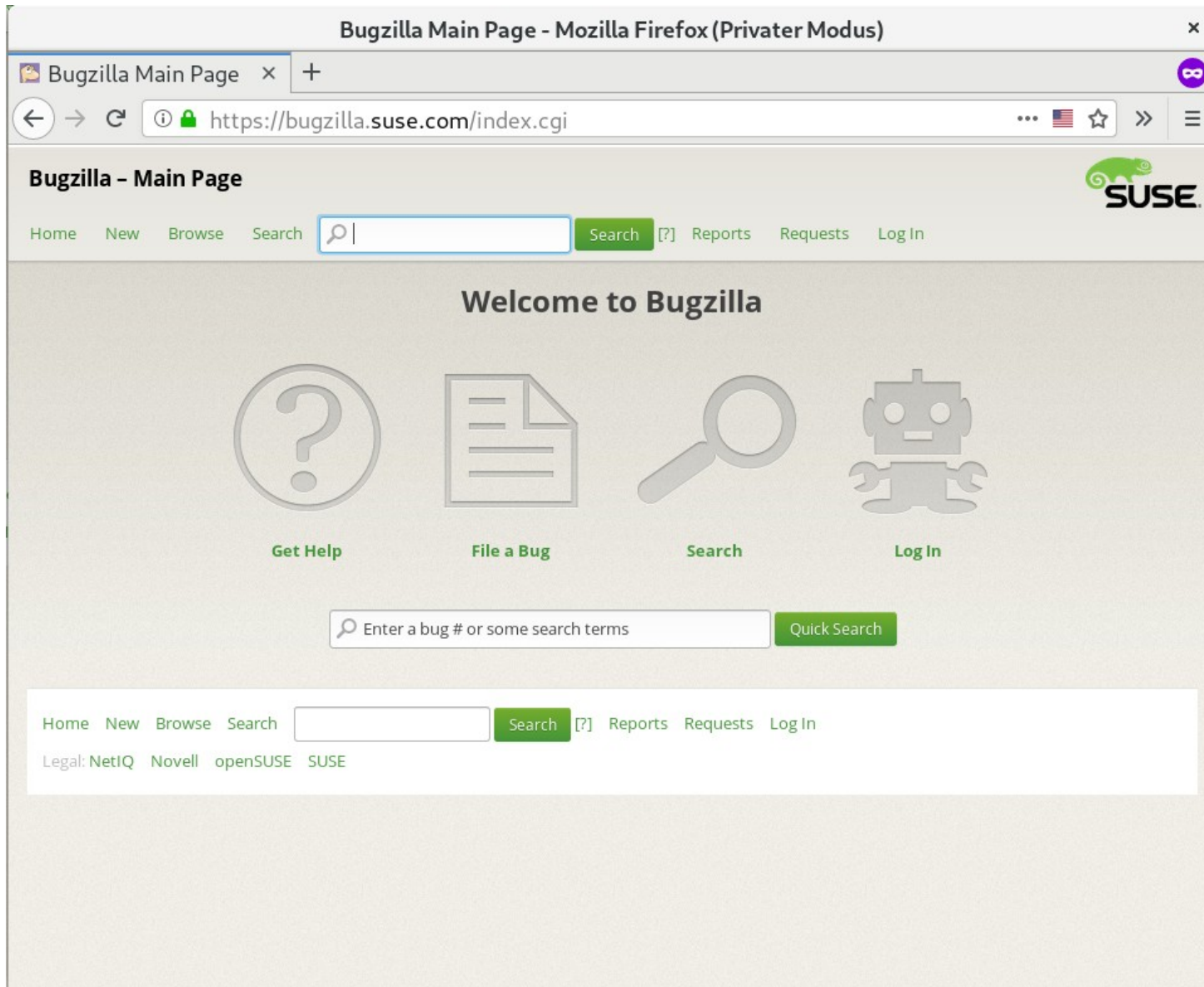
SAML basics

- Security Assertion Markup Language
- Current version: 2.0
- Standardized in 2005 by OASIS
- XML-based
- Mostly used in academic and enterprise environments
- “Assertions” are passed between entities

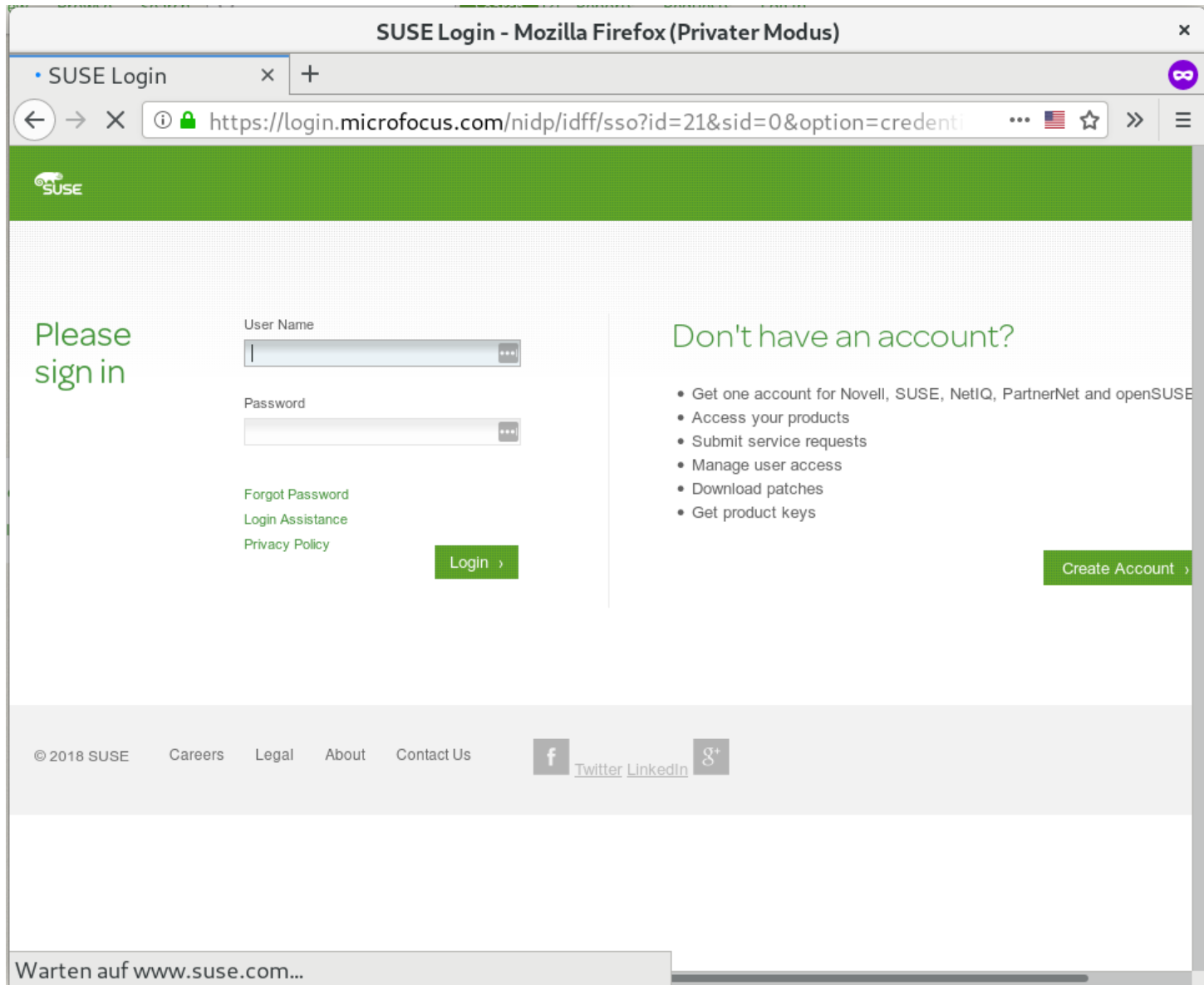
- Identity Providers (IdP) → Central service that authenticates users
 - Can use all sorts of mechanisms: Passwords, IPs, Kerberos, etc.

- Service Providers (SP) → Services that rely on IdP for authentication
 - Does not care how IdP performs authentication, just “consumes” assertions

SAML basics



SAML basics



SAML example

```
<saml:Assertion
... xmlns:saml="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:assertion"
... xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
... xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
... ID="b07b804c-7c29-ea16-7300-4f3d6f7928ac"
... Version="2.0"
... IssueInstant="2004-12-05T09:22:05Z">
... <saml:Issuer>https://idp.example.org/SAML2</saml:Issuer>
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..... xmlns:ds="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#">...</ds:Signature>
... <saml:Subject>
..... <saml:NameID Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:transient">3f7b3dcf-1674-4ecd-92c8-1544f346baf8</saml:NameID>
..... <saml:SubjectConfirmation Method="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:cm:bearer">
..... <saml:SubjectConfirmationData InResponseTo="aaf23196-1773-2113-474a-fe114412ab72"
..... Recipient="https://sp.example.com/SAML2/SSO/POST"
..... NotOnOrAfter="2004-12-05T09:27:05Z"/>
..... </saml:SubjectConfirmation>
... </saml:Subject>
... <saml:AuthnStatement AuthnInstant="2004-12-05T09:22:00Z" SessionIndex="b07b804c-7c29-ea16-7300-4f3d6f7928ac">
..... <saml:AuthnContext>
..... <saml:AuthnContextClassRef>urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:ac:classes>PasswordProtectedTransport</saml:AuthnContextClassRef>
..... </saml:AuthnContext>
... </saml:AuthnStatement>
... <saml:AttributeStatement>
..... <saml:Attribute
..... xmlns:x500="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:profiles:attribute:X500"
..... x500:Encoding="LDAP"
..... NameFormat="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:attrname-format:uri"
..... Name="urn:oid:1.3.6.1.4.1.5923.1.1.1.1"
..... FriendlyName="eduPersonAffiliation">
..... <saml:AttributeValue xsi:type="xs:string">member</saml:AttributeValue>
..... <saml:AttributeValue xsi:type="xs:string">staff</saml:AttributeValue>
..... </saml:Attribute>
... </saml:AttributeStatement>
</saml:Assertion>
```

SAML architecture

- Core

- Description of syntax, semantic, etc.

- Bindings

- HTTP Redirect, HTTP POST, HTTP Artifact, SOAP, PAOS

- Means of transportation of SAML messages

- Profiles

- Web Browser SSO Profile

- Enhanced Client or Proxy (ECP) Profile

- Single Logout Profile

- Metadata

- Description of URL endpoints, signing & encryption keys, etc.

SAML example metadata

```
.<md:IDPSSODescriptor
... protocolSupportEnumeration="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol">
... <md:KeyDescriptor use="signing">
..... <ds:KeyInfo>...</ds:KeyInfo>
... </md:KeyDescriptor>
... <md:ArtifactResolutionService isDefault="true" index="0"
..... Binding="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:bindings:SOAP"
..... Location="https://idp.example.org/SAML2/ArtifactResolution"/>
... <md:NameIDFormat>urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:emailAddress</md:NameIDFormat>
... <md:NameIDFormat>urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:nameid-format:transient</md:NameIDFormat>
... <md:SingleSignOnService
..... Binding="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:bindings:HTTP-Redirect"
..... Location="https://idp.example.org/SAML2/SSO/Redirect"/>
... <md:SingleSignOnService
..... Binding="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:bindings:HTTP-POST"
..... Location="https://idp.example.org/SAML2/SSO/POST"/>
... <md:SingleSignOnService
..... Binding="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:bindings:HTTP-Artifact"
..... Location="https://idp.example.org/SAML2/Artifact"/>
... <saml:Attribute
..... NameFormat="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:attrname-format:uri"
..... Name="urn:oid:1.3.6.1.4.1.5923.1.1.1"
..... FriendlyName="eduPersonAffiliation">
..... <saml:AttributeValue>member</saml:AttributeValue>
..... <saml:AttributeValue>student</saml:AttributeValue>
..... <saml:AttributeValue>faculty</saml:AttributeValue>
..... <saml:AttributeValue>employee</saml:AttributeValue>
..... <saml:AttributeValue>staff</saml:AttributeValue>
... </saml:Attribute>
.</md:IDPSSODescriptor>
```

SAML challenges

- Not universal → Requires application support
 - Many libraries are available
- Requires initial setup (metadata exchange)
- Requires maintenance (key rollovers, etc.)
- No useful auto discovery (only within a domain)




OpenID Connect

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OpenID Connect





- Published 2014 (by the OpenID Foundation)
- Based on OAuth 2.0
 - “Abuses” authorization for authentication
- Allows Single-Sign-On (SSO)
- Feature-wise similar to SAML
 - REST-API
 - JSON data
 - Easy to consume (web applications, apps on smartphones, etc.)
- Terminology
 - Relying Party (RP)
 - Identity Provider (IdP)


OpenID Connect



OIDC Sample


LOG IN SIGN UP




   




Or



Don't remember your password?






Authorize Auth0 Sample

 **Auth0 Sample** by **mgonto**
wants to access your **kbabioch** account

 **Public data only**
Limited access to your public data 

Authorize mgonto

Authorizing will redirect to
<https://samples.auth0.com>

 **Not owned or operated by GitHub**  Created 5 years ago  Fewer than 1K GitHub users

[Learn more about OAuth](#)

OpenID Connect tokens

- Authorization tokens are managed by the user
 - Access can be revoked

Applications

Installed GitHub Apps

Authorized GitHub Apps

Authorized OAuth Apps

You have granted **3 applications** access to your account.

Sort ▾

Revoke all



Codecov

Last used within the last week · Owned by [codecov](#)

Revoke



Coverity Scan

Last used within the last 4 months · Owned by [coverity-scan](#)

Revoke



Travis CI for Open Source

Last used within the last 2 months · Owned by [travis-ci](#)

Revoke

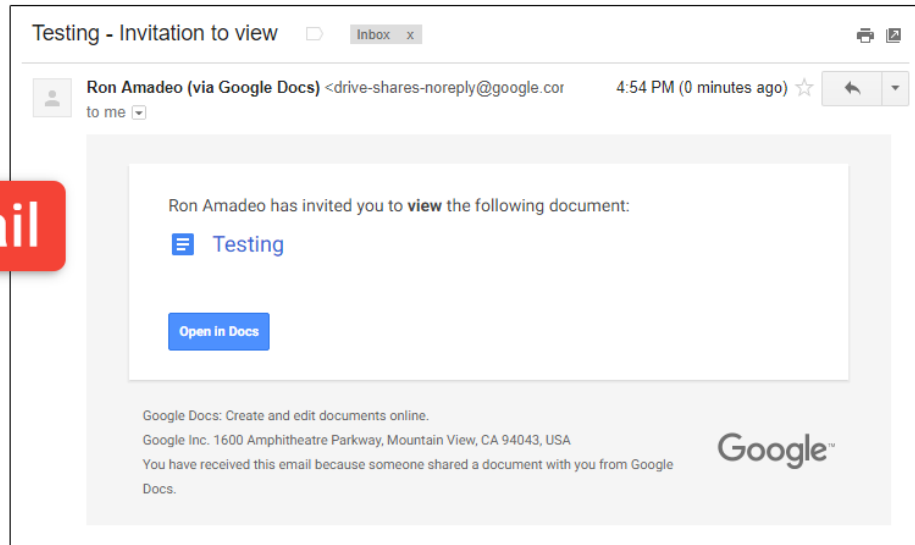
Read more about connecting with third-party applications at [GitHub Help](#).

OpenID Connect challenges

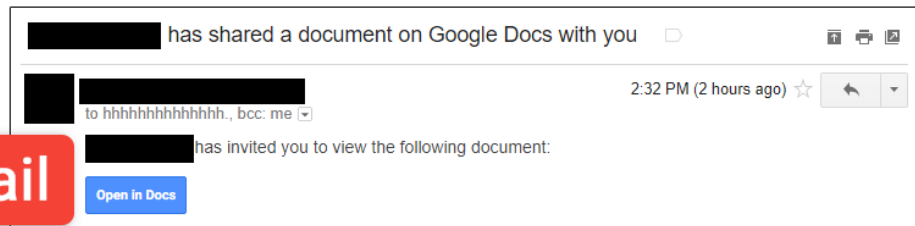
- Not universal → Requires application support
 - Many libraries are available
- Privacy concerns?
- “Phishing” is still possible with OAuth 2.0
 - There have been “worms”
- No signing / encryption between service provider and identity provider
 - “Only” TLS for transport
- Check tokens regularly :-)

OAuth 2.0 “phishing”

Real E-mail



Fake E-mail



OAuth 2.0 “phishing”



Choose an account



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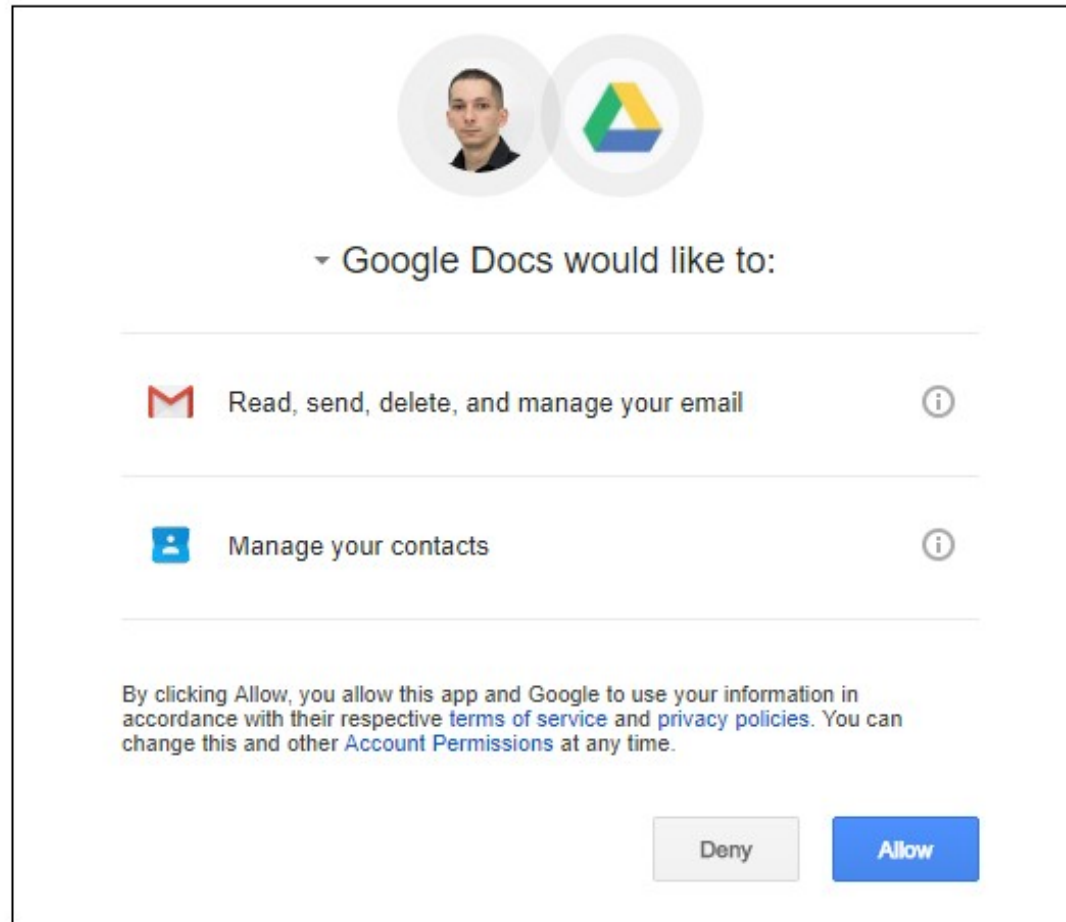


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[Add account](#)

OAuth 2.0 “phishing”



OAuth 2.0 “phishing”

The image shows a screenshot of an OAuth 2.0 authorization screen. At the top, there are two circular icons: a profile picture of a man and the Google Drive logo. Below these icons, the text reads "Google Docs would like to:". Underneath, there are two permission items: "Read, send, delete, and manage your email" (with an envelope icon) and "Manage your contacts" (with a person icon). At the bottom, there are "Deny" and "Allow" buttons. Three red callout boxes with white text and arrows point to specific elements: "Third-party app is named 'Google Docs.'" points to the app name; "Third-party app uses Google Drive logo." points to the Google Drive logo; and "Third-party app wants full e-mail control." points to the email permission item.

Third-party app is named "Google Docs."

Third-party app uses Google Drive logo.

Google Docs would like to:

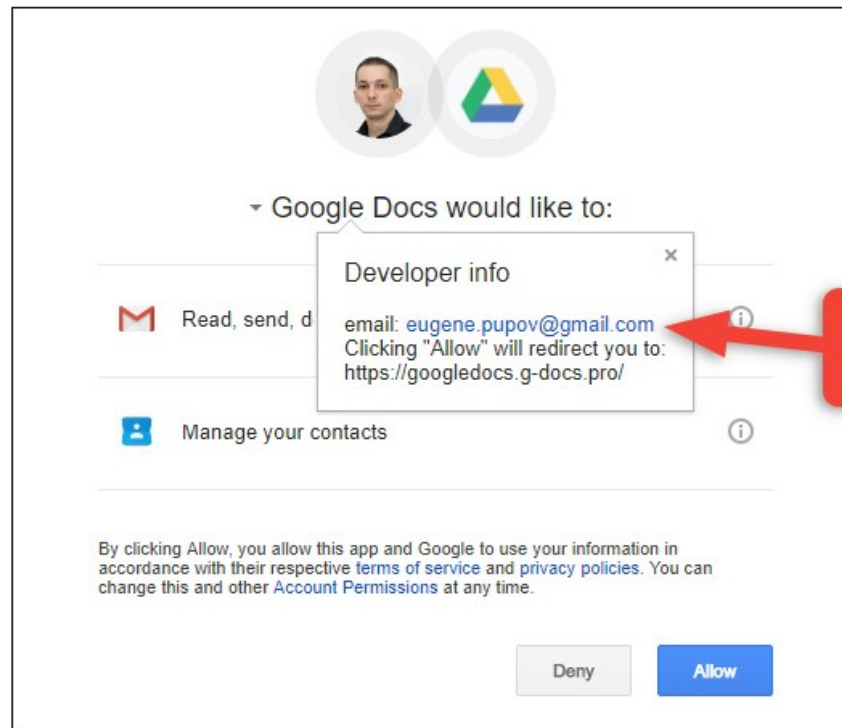
- Read, send, delete, and manage your email
- Manage your contacts

By clicking Allow, you allow this app and Google to use your information in accordance with their respective [terms of service](#) and [privacy policies](#). You can change this and other [Account Permissions](#) at any time.

Deny Allow

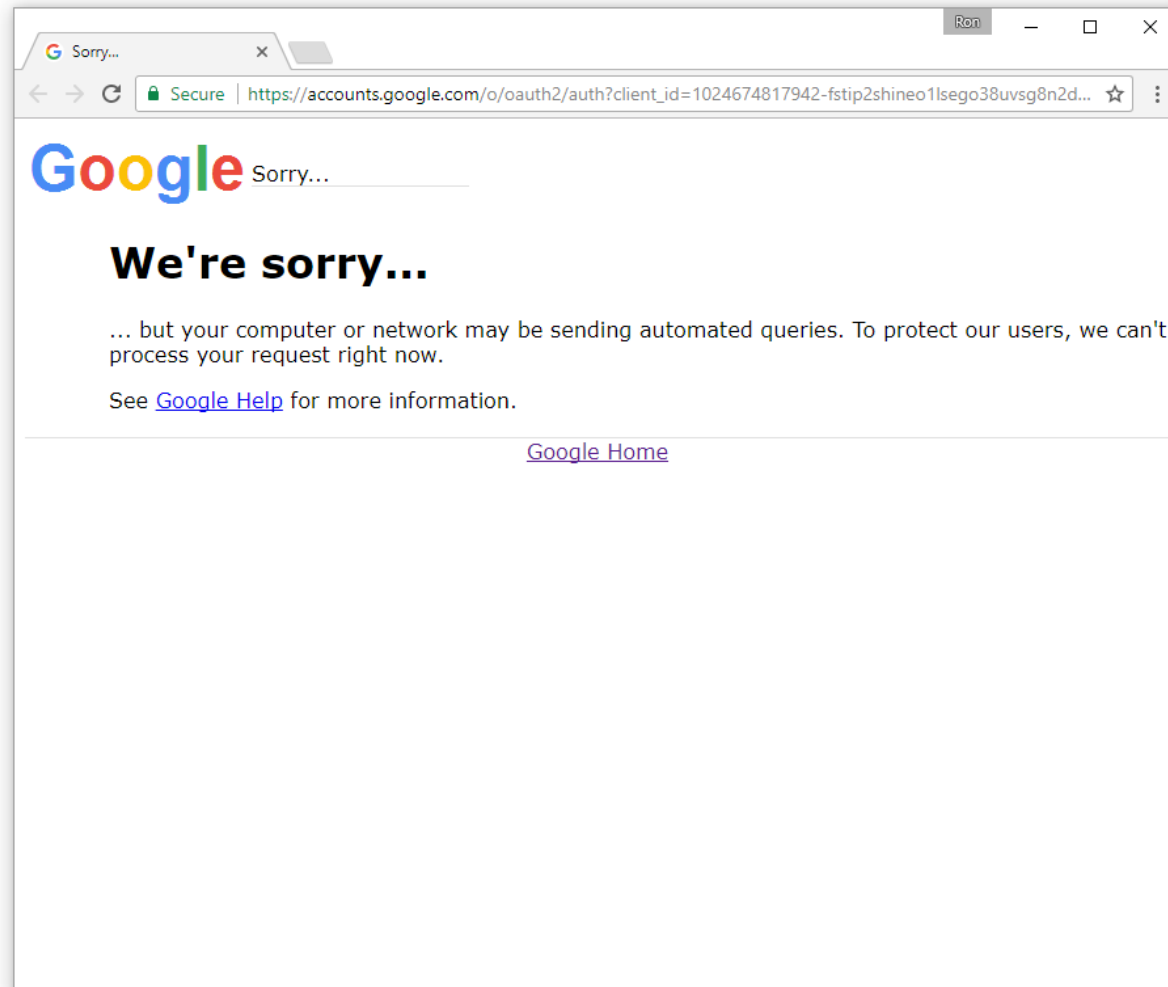
Third-party app wants full e-mail control.

OAuth 2.0 “phishing”



Not Google

OAuth 2.0 “phishing”





Conclusion

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Take-away messages

- Enable two factor authentication where-ever possible
 - Annoy / blame service providers that do not yet support it
- Use password manager
 - teach your friends and family how to use them
- Use OAuth 2.0 (OpenID Connect) where-ever possible?
- Check tokens regularly, re-evaluate if still needed ...

