

Architecture of Enterprise Applications 6

Security III

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- Single Sign-On
 - Overview
 - Kerberos protocol
 - SAML
 - CAS
- Securing Web Application

- **Single sign-on (SSO)** is a property of access control of multiple related, but independent software systems.
 - With this property a user logs in once and gains access to all systems without being prompted to log in again at each of them.
 - Conversely, **Single sign-off** is the property whereby a single action of signing out terminates access to multiple software systems.
- As different applications and resources support different authentication mechanisms,
 - single sign-on has to internally translate to and store different credentials compared to what is used for initial authentication.

- **Benefits** include:
 - Reduces phishing success, because users are not trained to enter password everywhere without thinking.
 - Reducing password fatigue from different user name and password combinations
 - Reducing time spent re-entering passwords for the same identity
 - Reducing IT costs due to lower number of IT help desk calls about passwords
 - Security on all levels of entry/exit/access to systems without the inconvenience of re-prompting users
 - Centralized reporting for compliance adherence.

- Kerberos based
 - MIT Kerberos protocol
- Smart card based
 - Initial sign-on prompts the user for the smart card.
 - Additional software applications also use the smart card, without prompting the user to re-enter credentials.
 - Smart card-based single sign-on can either use certificates or passwords stored on the smart card.
- OTP token
 - Also referred to as one-time password token.
- Security Assertion Markup Language
 - Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) is an XML-based solution for exchanging user security information between an enterprise and a service provider.

- Kerberos
 - is a computer network authentication protocol which works on the basis of "tickets" to allow nodes communicating over a non-secure network to prove their identity to one another in a secure manner.
- MIT developed Kerberos to protect network services provided by Project Athena.
 - The protocol was named after the character *Kerberos* (or *Cerberus*) from Greek mythology which was a monstrous three-headed guard dog of Hades.
 - Recent release: 08 Aug 2012 - krb5-1.10.3

- **User Client-based Logon**

- A user enters a username and password on the client machines.
- The client performs a one-way function (hash usually) on the entered password, and this becomes the secret key of the client/user.

- **Client Authentication**

- The client sends a clear text message of the user ID to the AS requesting services on behalf of the user. (Note: Neither the secret key nor the password is sent to the AS.)
- The AS generates the **secret key** by hashing the password of the user found at the database (e.g. Active Directory in Windows Server).

- The AS checks to see if the client is in its database. If it is, the AS sends back the following two messages to the client:
 - Message A: *Client/TGS Session Key* encrypted using the secret key of the client/user.
 - Message B: *Ticket-Granting-Ticket* (which includes the client ID, client network address, ticket validity period, and the *client/TGS session key*) encrypted using the secret key of the TGS.

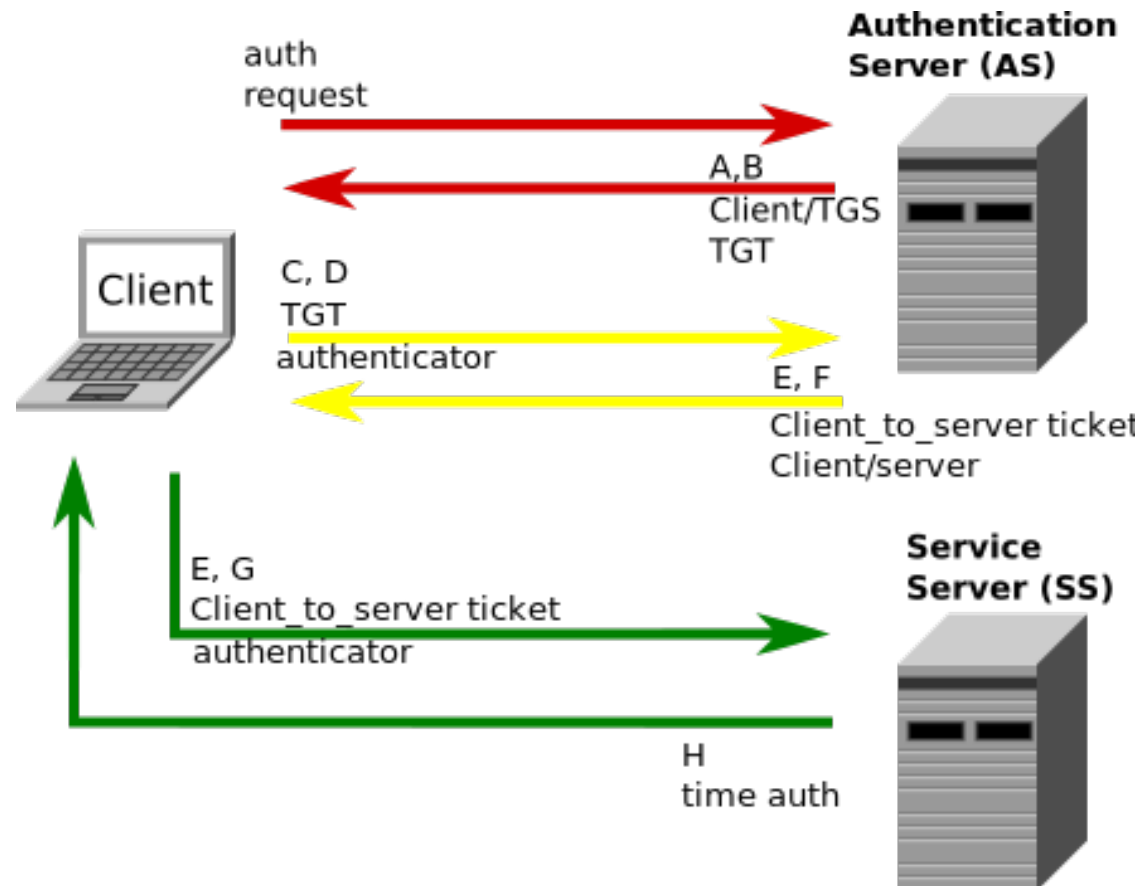
- Once the client receives messages A and B, it attempts to decrypt message A with the secret key generated from the password entered by the user.
 - If the user entered password does not match the password in the AS database, the client's secret key will be different and thus unable to decrypt message A.
 - With a valid password and secret key the client decrypts message A to obtain the *Client/TGS Session Key*. This session key is used for further communications with the TGS. (**Note:** The client cannot decrypt Message B, as it is encrypted using TGS's secret key.)
 - At this point, the client has enough information to authenticate itself to the TGS.

- **Client Service Authorization**
- When requesting services, the client sends the following two messages to the TGS:
 - Message C: Composed of the TGT from message B and the ID of the requested service.
 - Message D: Authenticator (which is composed of the client ID and the timestamp), encrypted using the *Client/TGS Session Key*.

- Upon receiving messages C and D, the TGS retrieves message B out of message C. It decrypts message B using the TGS secret key. This gives it the "client/TGS session key". Using this key, the TGS decrypts message D (Authenticator) and sends the following two messages to the client:
 - Message E: *Client-to-server ticket* (which includes the client ID, client network address, validity period and *Client/Server Session Key*) encrypted using the service's secret key.
 - Message F: *Client/Server Session Key* encrypted with the *Client/TGS Session Key*.

- **Client Service Request**
- Upon receiving messages E and F from TGS, the client has enough information to authenticate itself to the SS. The client connects to the SS and sends the following two messages:
 - Message E from the previous step (the *client-to-server ticket*, encrypted using service's secret key).
 - Message G: a new Authenticator, which includes the client ID, timestamp and is encrypted using *Client/Server Session Key*.

- The SS decrypts the ticket using its own secret key to retrieve the *Client/Server Session Key*. Using the sessions key, SS decrypts the Authenticator and sends the following message to the client to confirm its true identity and willingness to serve the client:
 - Message H: the timestamp found in client's Authenticator plus 1, encrypted using the *Client/Server Session Key*.
- The client decrypts the confirmation using the *Client/Server Session Key* and checks whether the timestamp is correctly updated. If so, then the client can trust the server and can start issuing service requests to the server.
- The server provides the requested services to the client.

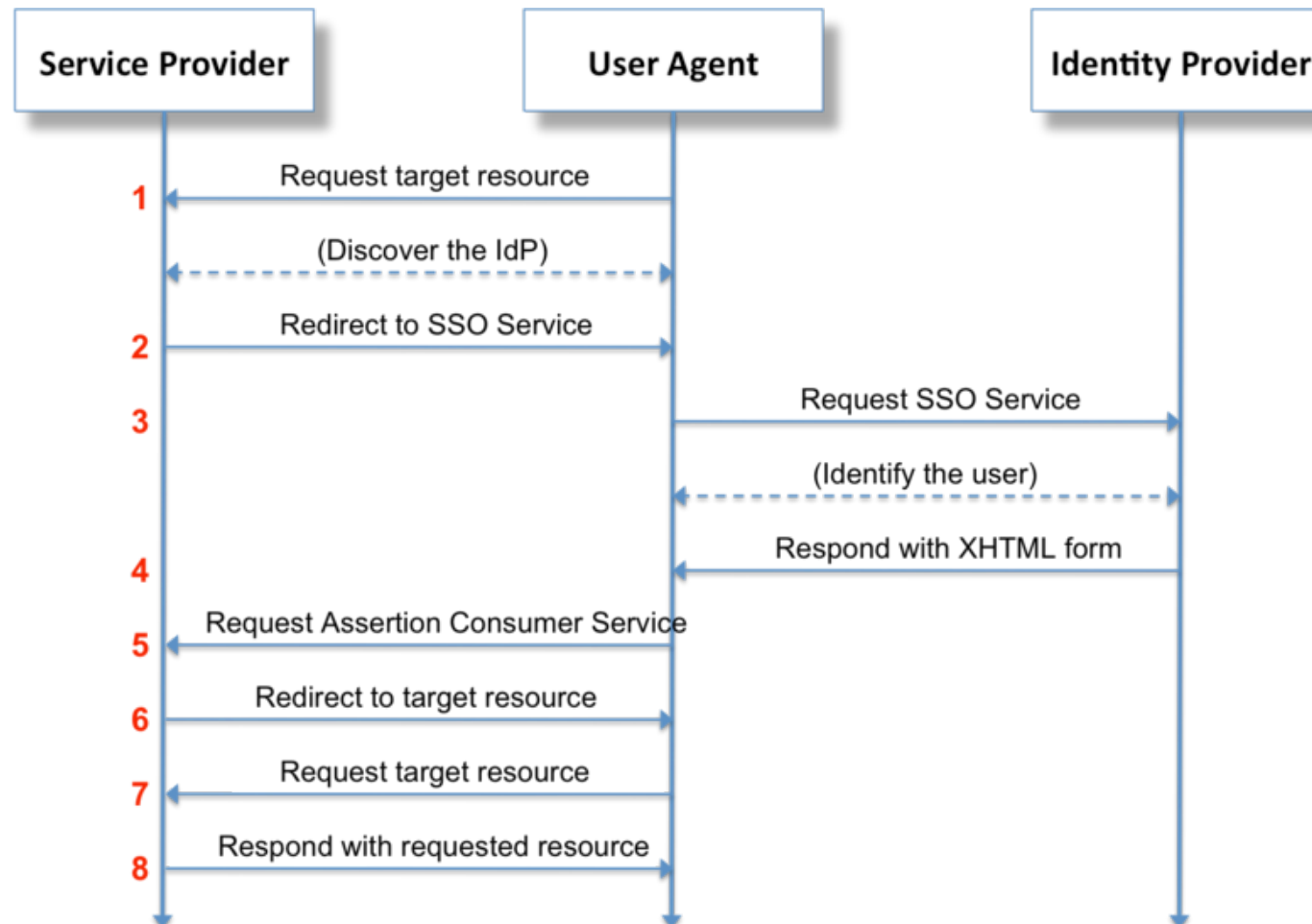


- Drawbacks and Limitations

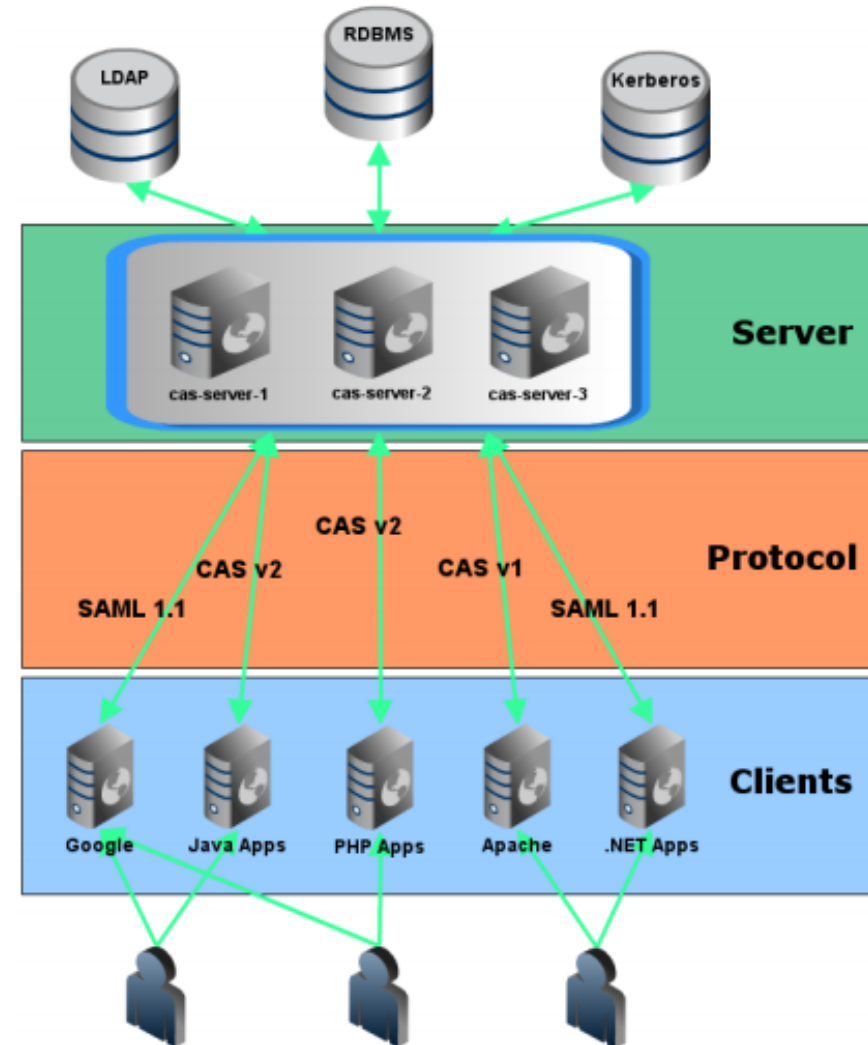
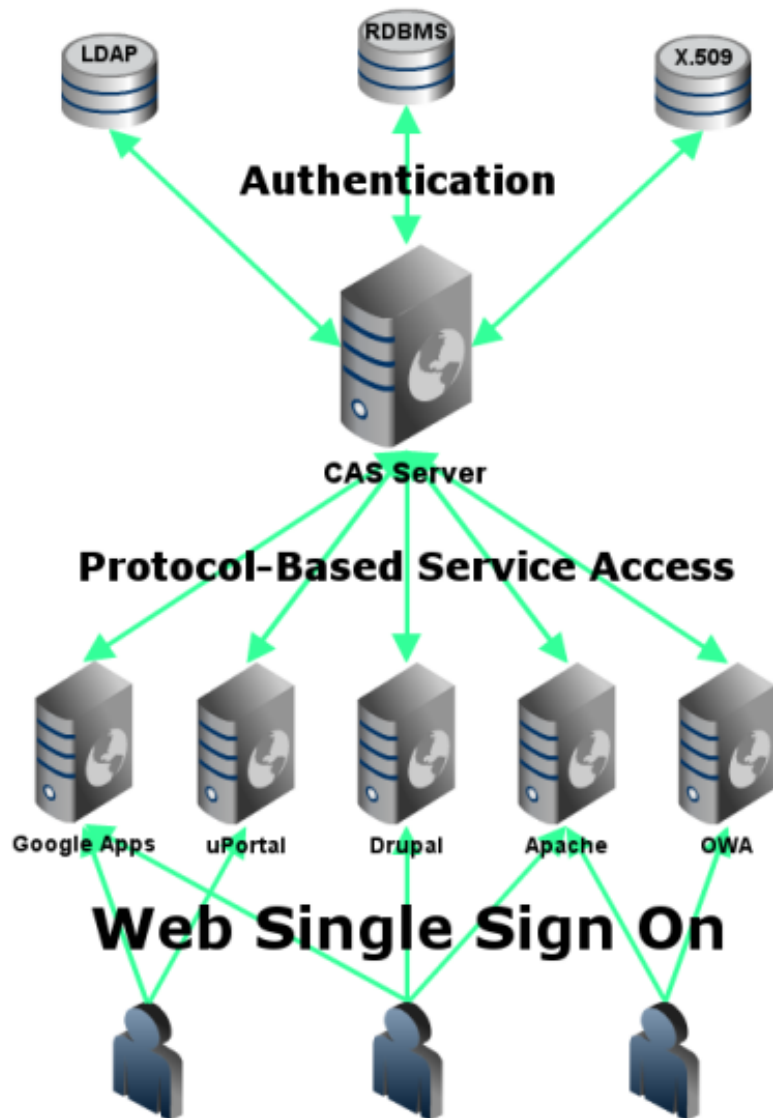
- Single point of failure.
- Kerberos has strict time requirements, which means the clocks of the involved hosts must be synchronized within configured limits.
- The administration protocol is not standardized and differs between server implementations.
- Since all authentication is controlled by a centralized KDC, compromise of this authentication infrastructure will allow an attacker to impersonate any user.
- Each network service which requires a different host name will need its own set of Kerberos keys. This complicates virtual hosting and clusters.

- Security Assertion Markup Language is an XML-based open standard data format
 - for exchanging authentication and authorization data between parties,
 - in particular, between an identity provider and a service provider.
- SAML is a product of the OASIS Security Services Technical Committee.
 - SAML dates from 2001.

- The primary SAML use case is called *Web Browser Single Sign-On (SSO)*.



- Central Authentication Service provides enterprise single sign-on service:
 - An open and well-documented protocol
 - An open-source Java server component
 - A library of clients for Java, .Net, PHP, Perl, Apache, uPortal, and others
 - Integrates with uPortal, BlueSocket, TikiWiki, Mule, Liferay, Moodle and others
 - Community documentation and implementation support
 - An extensive community of adopters
- Latest version: 3.5.0 final



List of URIs to access CAS.



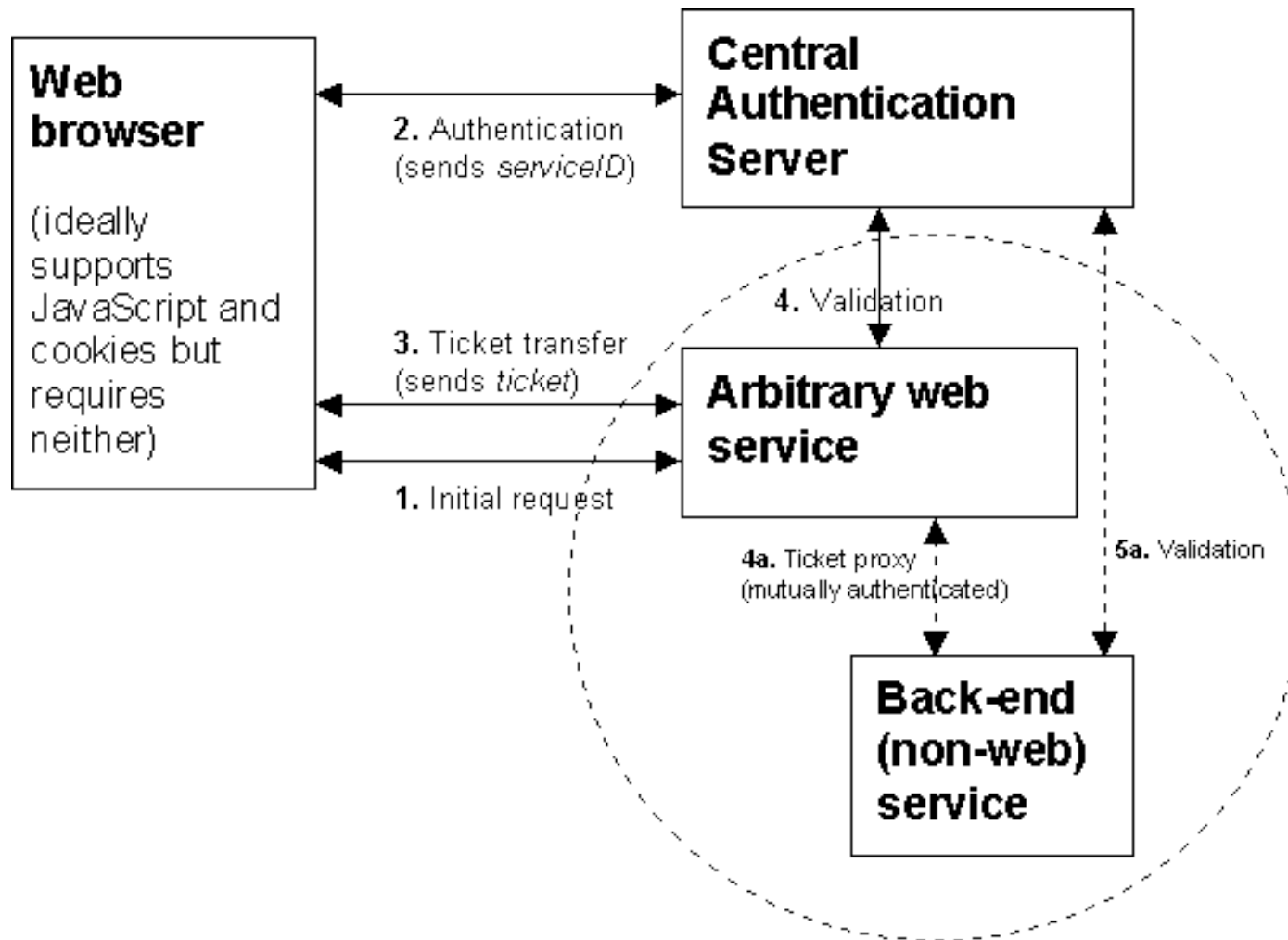
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- /login
 - Parameters: service, renew, gateway, warn
- /logout
 - Parameters: url
- /validate
 - Parameters: service, ticket, renew
- /serviceValidate
 - Parameters: service, ticket, pgtUrl, renew
- /proxy
 - Parameters: pgt, targetService
- /proxyValidate
 - Parameters: service, ticket, pgtUrl, renew

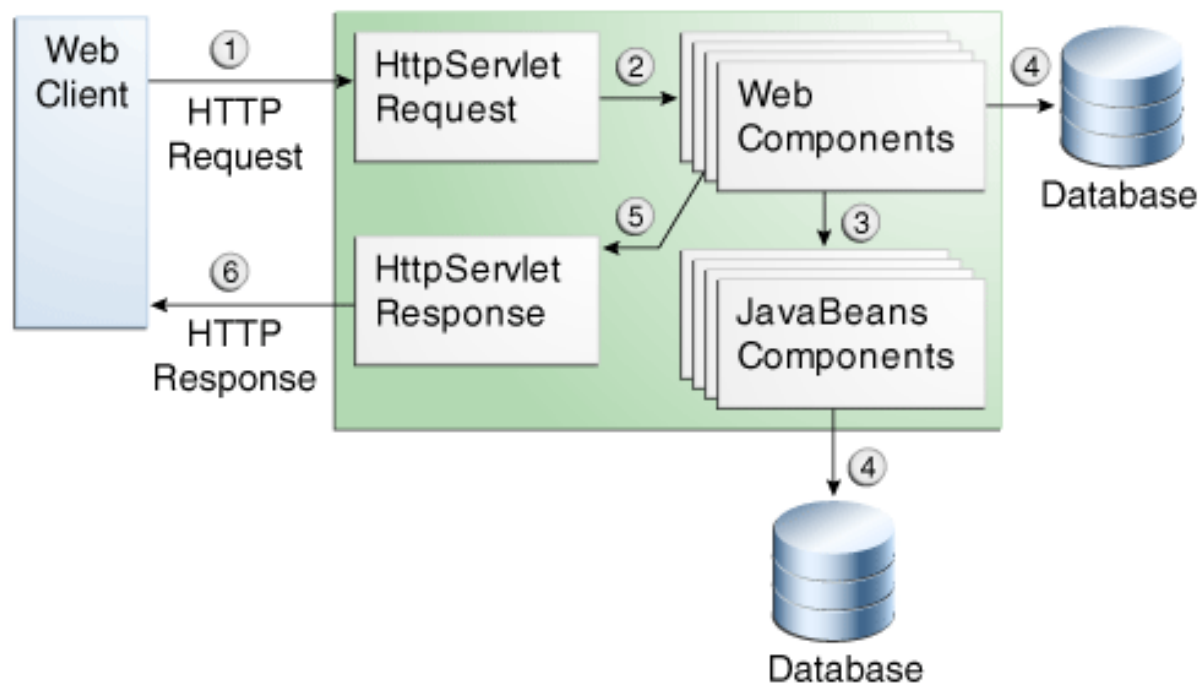
CAS Architecture



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- Declarative security
- Programmatic security
- Message Security



- A security constraint is used to define the access privileges to a collection of resources using their URL mapping.
- The following subelements can be part of a security-constraint:
 - **Web resource collection** (web-resource-collection): A list of URL patterns (the part of a URL *after* the host name and port you want to constrain) and HTTP operations (the methods within the files that match the URL pattern you want to constrain) that describe a set of resources to be protected.
 - **Authorization constraint** (auth-constraint): Specifies whether authentication is to be used and names the roles authorized to perform the constrained requests..
 - **User data constraint** (user-data-constraint): Specifies how data is protected when transported between a client and a server.

- A web resource collection consists of the following subelements:
- **web-resource-name** is the name you use for this resource. Its use is optional.
- **url-pattern** is used to list the request URI to be protected
 - If you set up the paths for your web application so that the pattern `/cart/*` is protected but nothing else is protected.
 - Assuming that the application is installed at context path `/myapp`, the following are true:
 - `http://localhost:8080/myapp/index.html` is *not protected*.
 - `http://localhost:8080/myapp/cart/index.html` *is protected*.

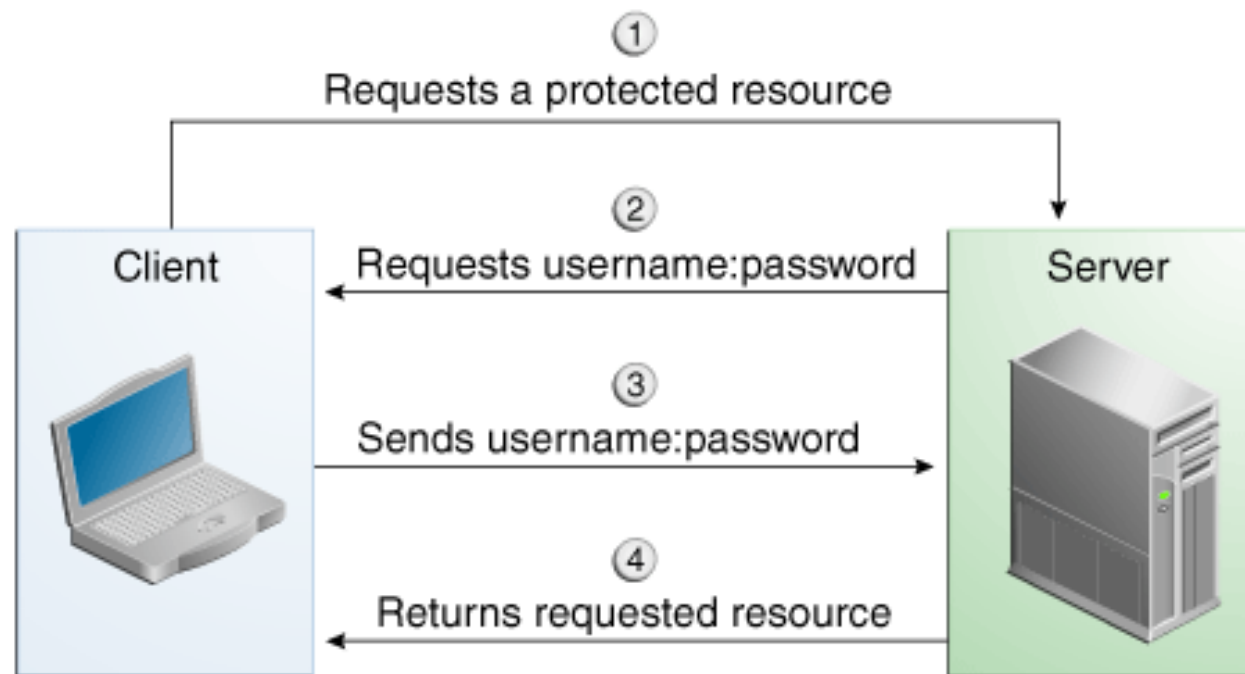
- A web resource collection consists of the following subelements:
- **http-method** or **http-method-omission** is used to specify which methods should be protected or which methods should be omitted from protection. An HTTP method is protected by a web-resource-collection under any of the following circumstances:
 - If no HTTP methods are named in the collection (which means that all are protected)
 - If the collection specifically names the HTTP method in an http-method subelement
 - If the collection contains one or more http-method-omission elements, none of which names the HTTP method

```
<!-- SECURITY CONSTRAINT #1 -->
<security-constraint>
  <web-resource-collection>
    <web-resource-name>wholesale</web-resource-name>
    <url-pattern>/acme/wholesale/*</url-pattern>
  </web-resource-collection>
  <auth-constraint>
    <role-name>PARTNER</role-name>
  </auth-constraint>
  <user-data-constraint>
    <transport-guarantee>CONFIDENTIAL</transport-guarantee>
  </user-data-constraint>
</security-constraint>
```

```
<!-- SECURITY CONSTRAINT #2 -->
<security-constraint>
  <web-resource-collection>
    <web-resource-name>retail</web-resource-name>
    <url-pattern>/acme/retail/*</url-pattern>
  </web-resource-collection>
  <auth-constraint>
    <role-name>CLIENT</role-name>
  </auth-constraint>
  <user-data-constraint>
    <transport-guarantee>CONFIDENTIAL</transport-guarantee>
  </user-data-constraint>
</security-constraint>
```

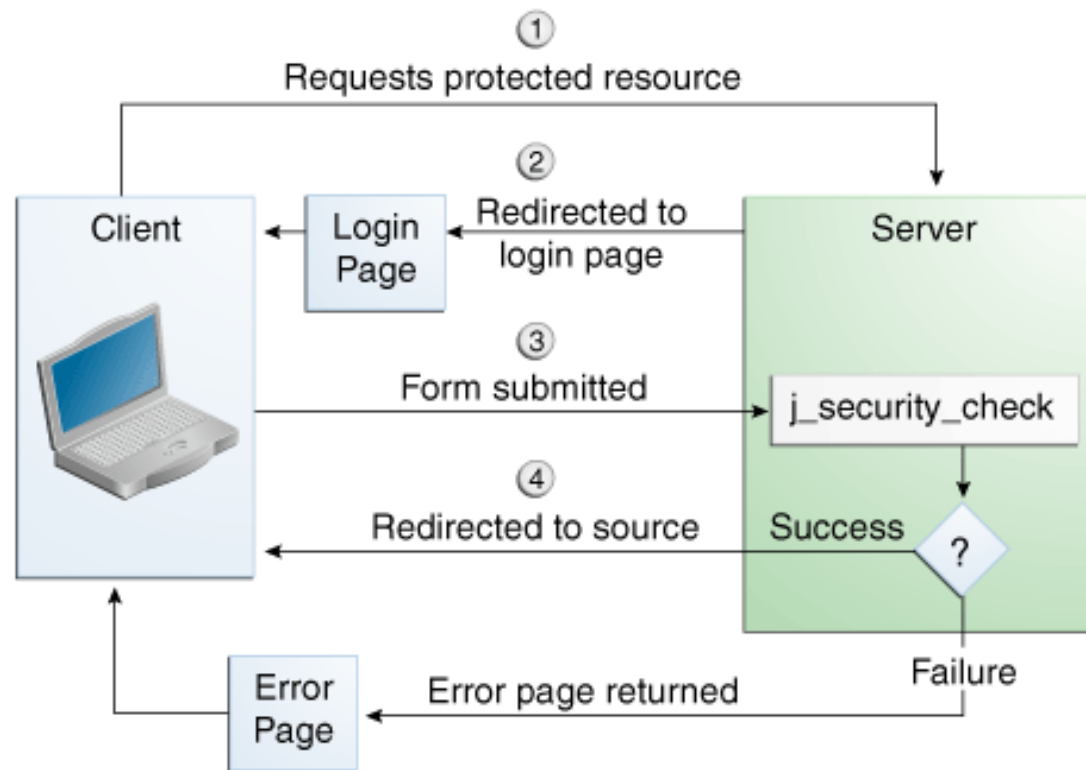
- A user authentication mechanism specifies
 - The way a user gains access to web content
 - With basic authentication, the realm in which the user will be authenticated
 - With form-based authentication, additional attributes
- The Java EE platform supports the following authentication mechanisms:
 - Basic authentication
 - Form-based authentication
 - Digest authentication
 - Client authentication
 - Mutual authentication

- Basic authentication



- Form-based authentication

```
<form method="POST" action="j_security_check">  
  <input type="text" name="j_username">  
  <input type="password" name="j_password">  
</form>
```



```
<security-constraint>
  <web-resource-collection>
    <web-resource-name>Protected Area</web-resource-name>
    <url-pattern>/security/protected/*</url-pattern>
    <http-method>PUT</http-method>
    <http-method>DELETE</http-method>
    <http-method>GET</http-method>
    <http-method>POST</http-method>
  </web-resource-collection>
  <auth-constraint>
    <role-name>manager</role-name>
  </auth-constraint>
</security-constraint>

<!-- Security roles used by this web application -->
<security-role>
  <role-name>manager</role-name>
</security-role>
<security-role>
  <role-name>employee</role-name>
</security-role>
```

Authenticating Users Programmatically



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```
@WebServlet(name="TutorialServlet", urlPatterns={"/TutorialServlet"})
public class TutorialServlet extends HttpServlet {
    @EJB private ConverterBean converterBean
    protected void processRequest(HttpServletRequest request,
                                HttpServletResponse response)
                                throws ServletException, IOException {
        response.setContentType("text/html;charset=UTF-8");
        PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
        try {
            out.println("<html>");
            out.println("<head>");
            out.println("<title>Servlet TutorialServlet</title>");
            out.println("</head>");
            out.println("<body>");
            request.login("TutorialUser", "TutorialUser");
            BigDecimal result = converterBean.dollarToYen(new BigDecimal("1.0"));
            out.println("<h1>Servlet TutorialServlet result of dollarToYen= " +
                        result + "</h1>");
            out.println("</body>");
            out.println("</html>");
        } catch (Exception e) { throw new ServletException(e); }
        finally { request.logout(); out.close(); }
    }
}
```



```
public class TestServlet extends HttpServlet {  
  
    protected void processRequest(HttpServletRequest request,  
        HttpServletResponse response)  
        throws ServletException, IOException  
    {  
        response.setContentType("text/html;charset=UTF-8");  
        PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();  
        try {  
            request.authenticate(response);  
            out.println("Authenticate Successful");  
        } finally {  
            out.close();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
package enterprise.programmatic_login;

import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
import javax.annotation.security.DeclareRoles;
import javax.servlet.*;
import javax.servlet.http.*;

@DeclareRoles("javaee6user")
public class LoginServlet extends HttpServlet {

    /** * Processes requests for both HTTP GET and POST methods.
     * @param request servlet request
     * @param response servlet response
     */
    protected void processRequest(HttpServletRequest request,
                                  HttpServletResponse response)
        throws ServletException, IOException
    {
        response.setContentType("text/html;charset=UTF-8");
        PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
    }
}
```



```
<servlet>
```

```
...
```

```
  <security-role-ref>
```

```
    <role-name>cust</role-name>
```

```
    <role-link>bankCustomer</role-link>
```

```
  </security-role-ref>
```

```
...
```

```
</servlet>
```

```
<security-role>
```

```
  <role-name>bankCustomer</role-name>
```

```
</security-role>
```

- To design your security system of your project
 - Develop the SimpleLoginModule in Courseware V, and use it as the authentication method in your project
 - Develop the billing function in a security way (Encrypt financial information)
 - Develop a customized permission to view categories of books. The categories are modeled as a tree. You can grant permission to codebase(or principal) to describe which code(or who) can view which categories of book.

- Single Sign On, http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Single_sign-on
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