

Shibbolizing uPortal and a Path for Delegated Authentication with Shibboleth

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Use Cases

Shibbolizing uPortal

Authentication and Single Sign On

You've requested a web page which requires a user login.

Identify Yourself

Enter your "name.#"

Examples: doe.1 or 234567890

Password *or* Passcode

Enter your account password.

BuckeyePass users, enter your Passcode.

Login

Federated Authentication

Select an Identity Provider

The Service you are trying to access requires that you identify yourself. Please select a trusted

NOTE: If you need to sign up for a new account, select **ProtectNetwork** from the InC address.

Choose from a list:

Federation

US Higher Education
UK Federation
MAMS Testbed Federation
SWAMID Test Federation
Austria - ACONet
All Sites

Institution

University of California, Merced
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Francisco
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of California-Irvine
University of California-Los Angeles
University of California-San Diego
University of Chicago
University of Dayton
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Select

Remember for session



Federated Authentication

- The provider of the identity and the provider of the service (uPortal) may not be the same institution
- Users can authenticate using identities from anywhere in federation, to services anywhere in federation, with a healthy policy layer.

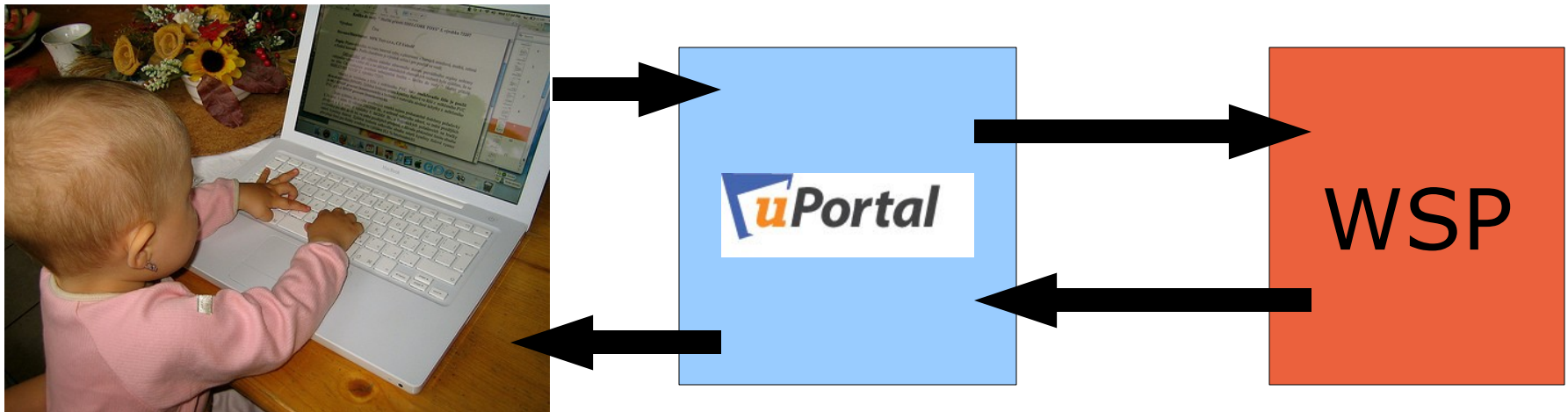
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Attribute release

- Just in time release of attributes to the portal at the time of user authentication
- Different from querying directories of attributes
 - Attributes released only in context of actual user authentication
 - Attributes may be of a federated identity, attribute information not necessarily available to portal in an institutional directory

Delegated authentication

- User authenticates to portal
- Portal authenticates to a backing service on behalf of the user
- Data from backing service informs portal



Shibbolizing uPortal Today

Authentication
Attribute Release

Authenticating to uPortal with Shibboleth

Authentication

Shibboleth for Authentication

- Shibboleth provides a Service Provider Apache module for authentication
- uPortal can delegate to container for authentication
- Ta-da!



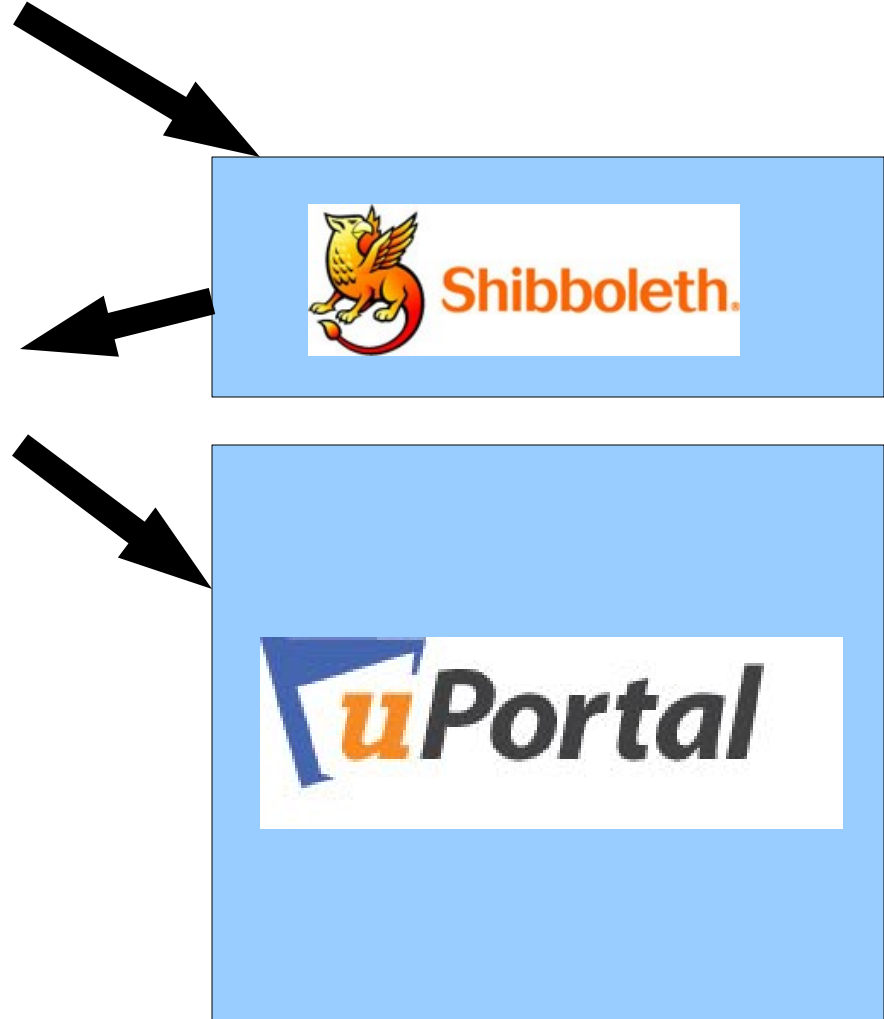
Shibboleth SP Authentication

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HTTP: headers

HTTP Headers

HTTP headers set by the Shibboleth SP represent the authenticated user identifier (remote user) and user attributes



Shibbolizing CAS?

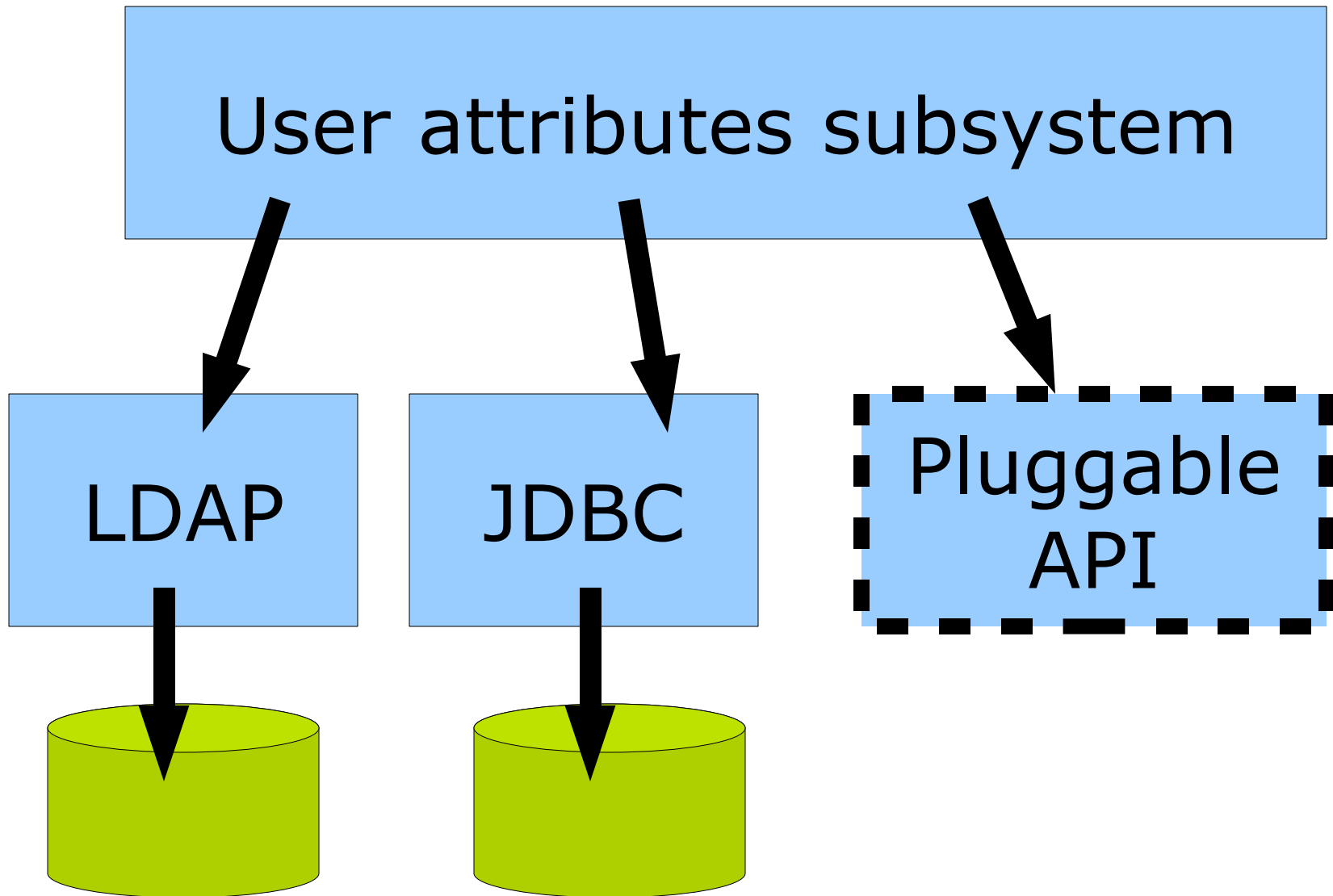
- uPortal ships with a CAS server and support for using CAS for login
- CAS can be easily Shibbolized
- Shibbolize uPortal by Shibbolizing CAS?



Releasing Attributes to uPortal with Shibboleth

Attributes

User Attributes in uPortal



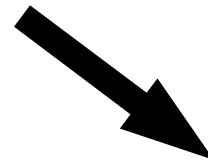
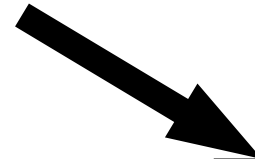
Shibboleth attribute release

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HTTP: headers

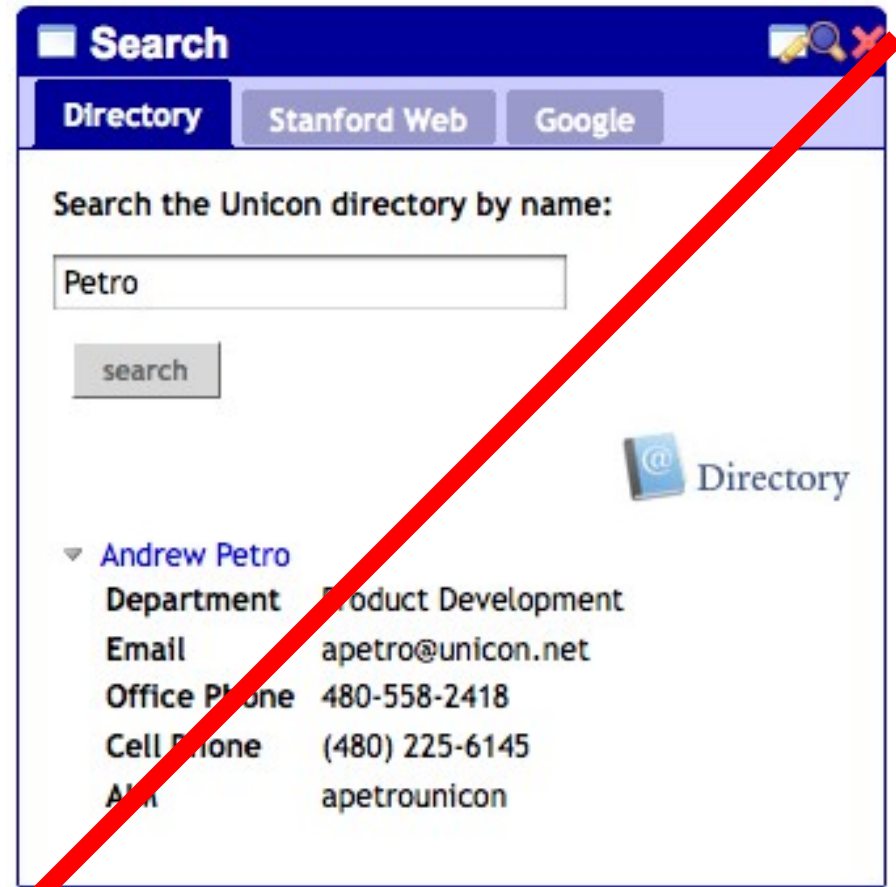
HTTP Headers

HTTP headers set by the Shibboleth SP represent the authenticated user identifier (remote user) and user attributes



User attributes at login

- User attributes in the context of user login
- Not arbitrary queries of directories



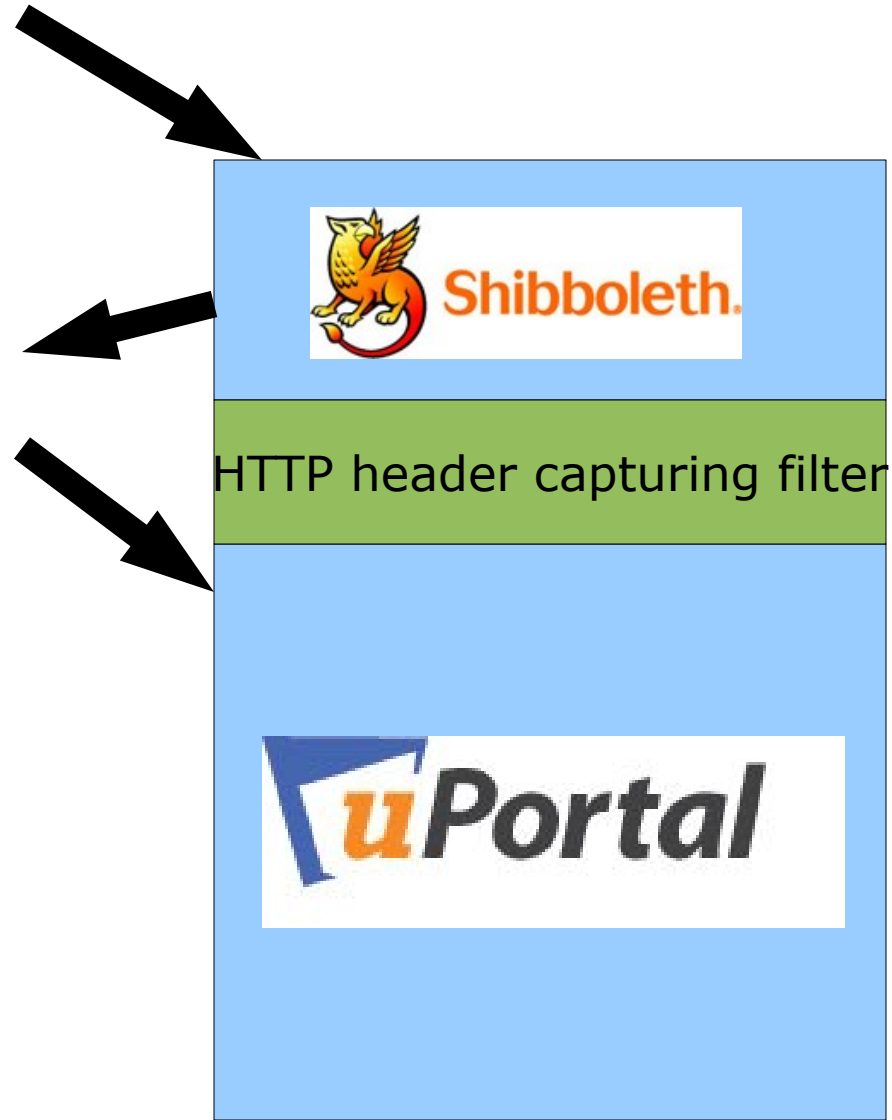
Capturing user attributes from SP

<Assertion/>

HTTP: headers

HTTP Headers

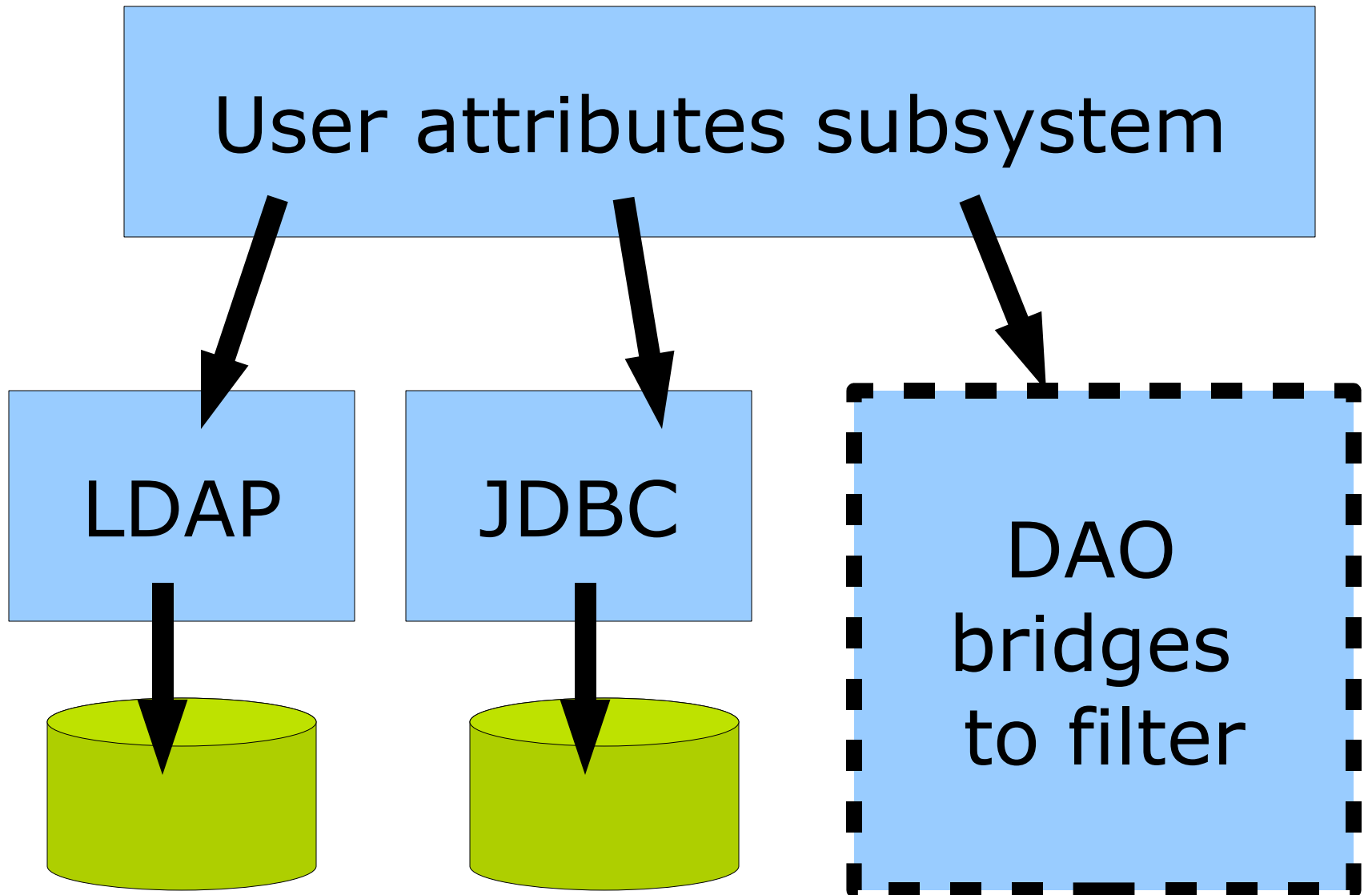
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Declare the filter in web.xml

```
<filter>
  <filter-name>HttpHeaderFilter</filter-name>
  <filter-
class>edu.jhu.services.persondir.support.http.HttpHeaderF
ilter</filter-class>
  <init-param>
    <param-name>personDirectoryDaoName</param-name>
    <param-value>httpHeaderAttributeSource</param-value>
  </init-param>
</filter>
<filter-mapping>
  <filter-name>HttpHeaderFilter</filter-name>
  <servlet-name>Login</servlet-name>
</filter-mapping>
```

User attributes from Shibboleth



Declare the attribute source

```
<list>  
  <ref bean="uPortalJdbcAttributeSource"/>  
  <ref bean="uPortalLdapAttributeSource"/>  
  <ref bean="httpHeaderAttributeSource"/>  
</list>
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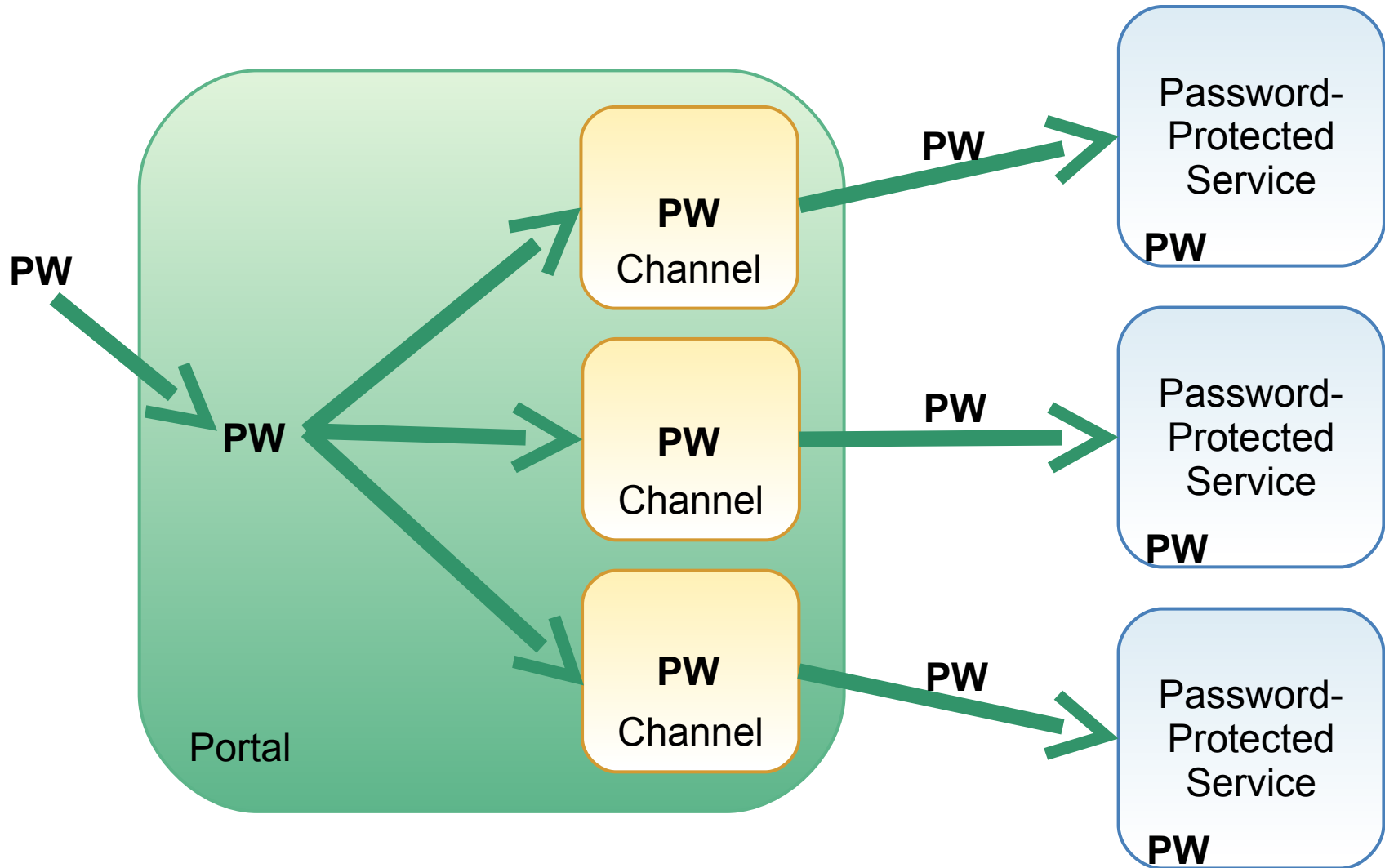
Canonical way to do this is in flux

- Not very much in flux, but a little in flux
- In Jira: PERSONDIR-37, PERSONDIR-49
- The (a) DAO for this ships in Persondir 1.5 RC2
- For now, if you're interested, please ping me.
- apetro@unicon.net

Delegated Shibbolized Authentication...

In uPortal

Password Replay

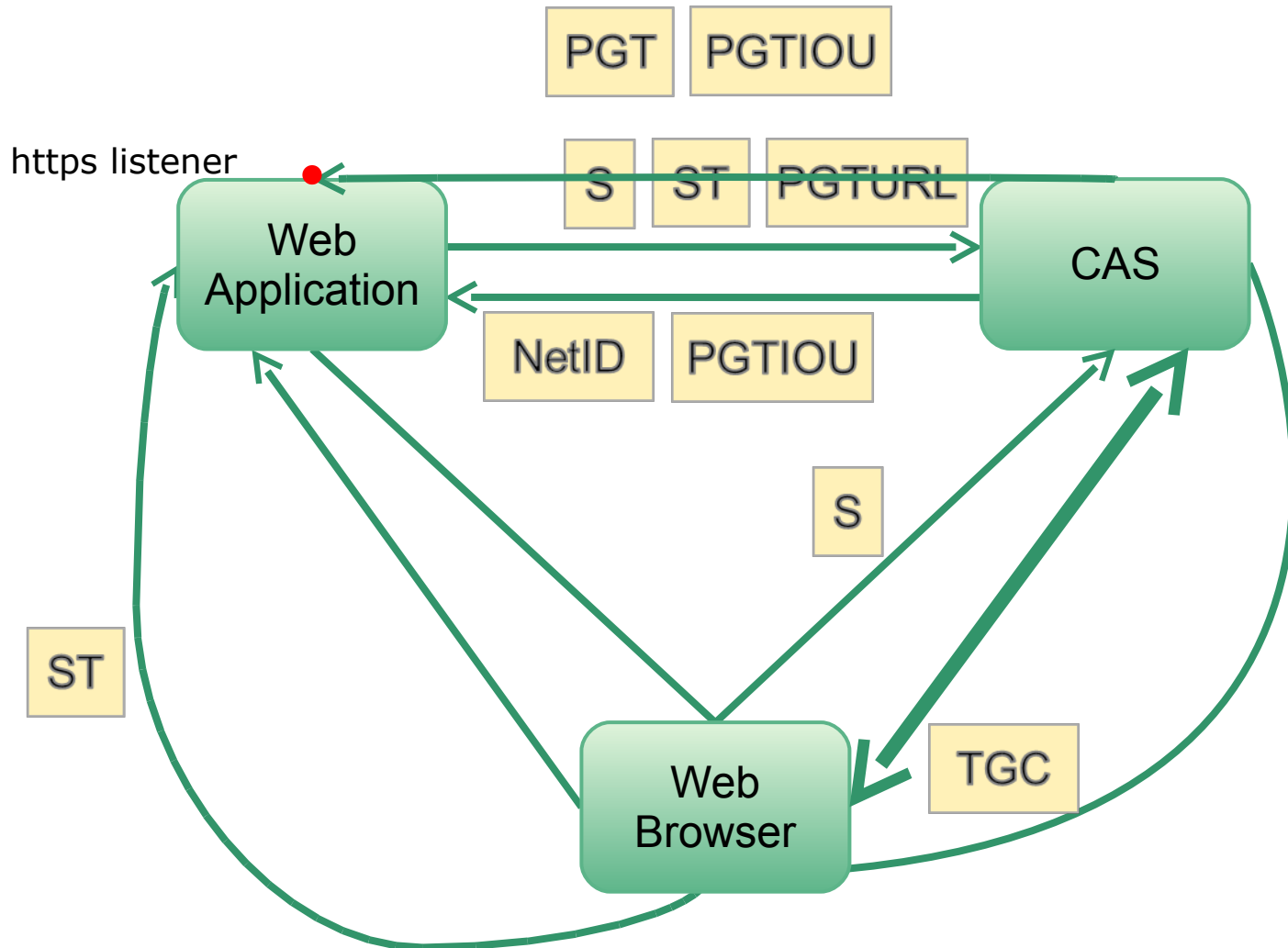


Look Ma, No Password!

- Without a password to replay, how am I going to authenticate my portal to other applications?



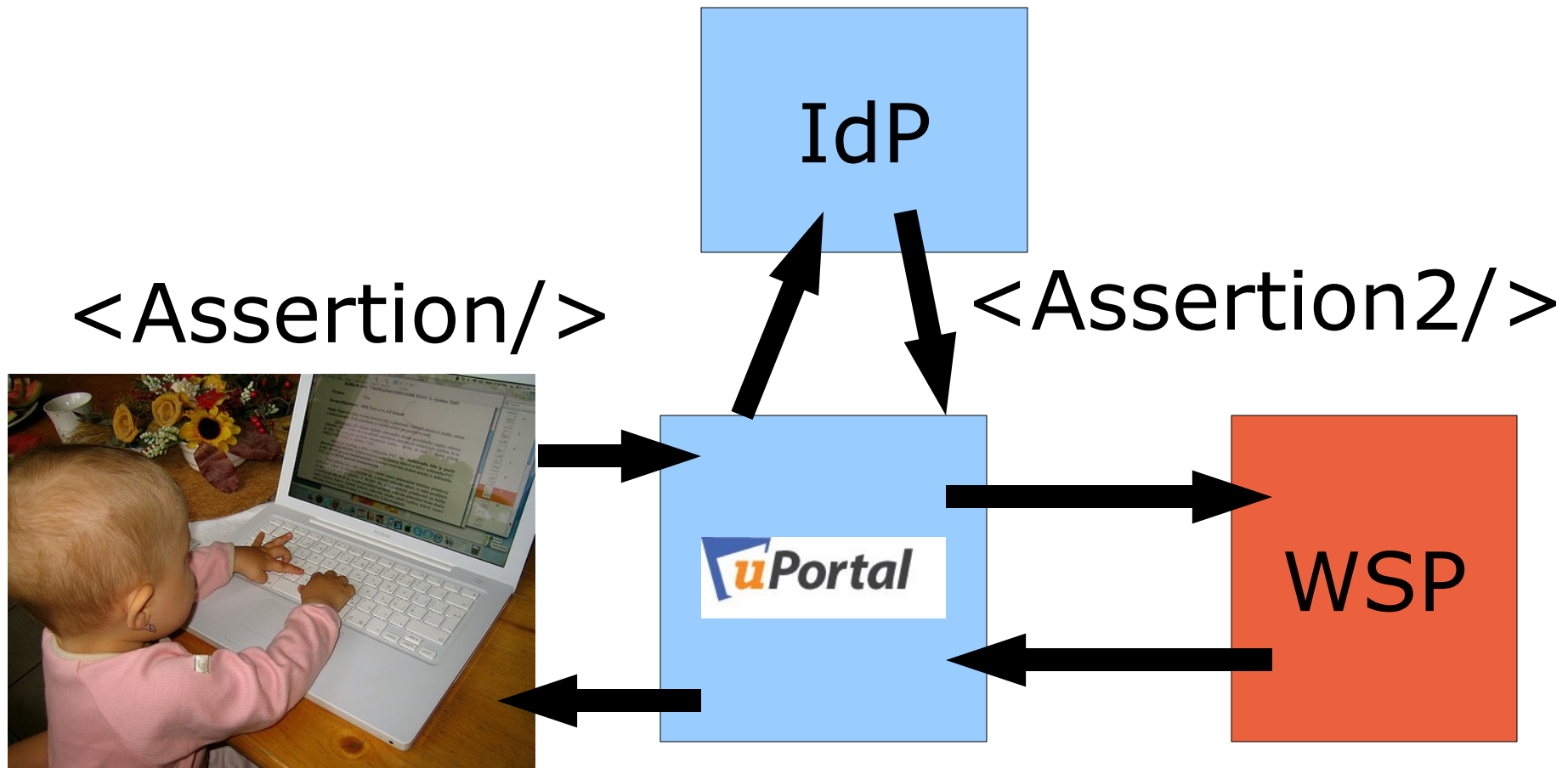
Proxy CAS



Oh, wait, this is Shibboleth

- Very similar idea.
- Portal presents SAML Assertion to Portlet
- Portlet presents SAML Assertion to IdP
- IdP issues Portlet a new SAML Assertion for purpose of authenticating Portlet to backing Web Service Provider
- Portlet presents Assertion to backing Web Service Provider, authenticating its request to the backing service.

Delegated authentication



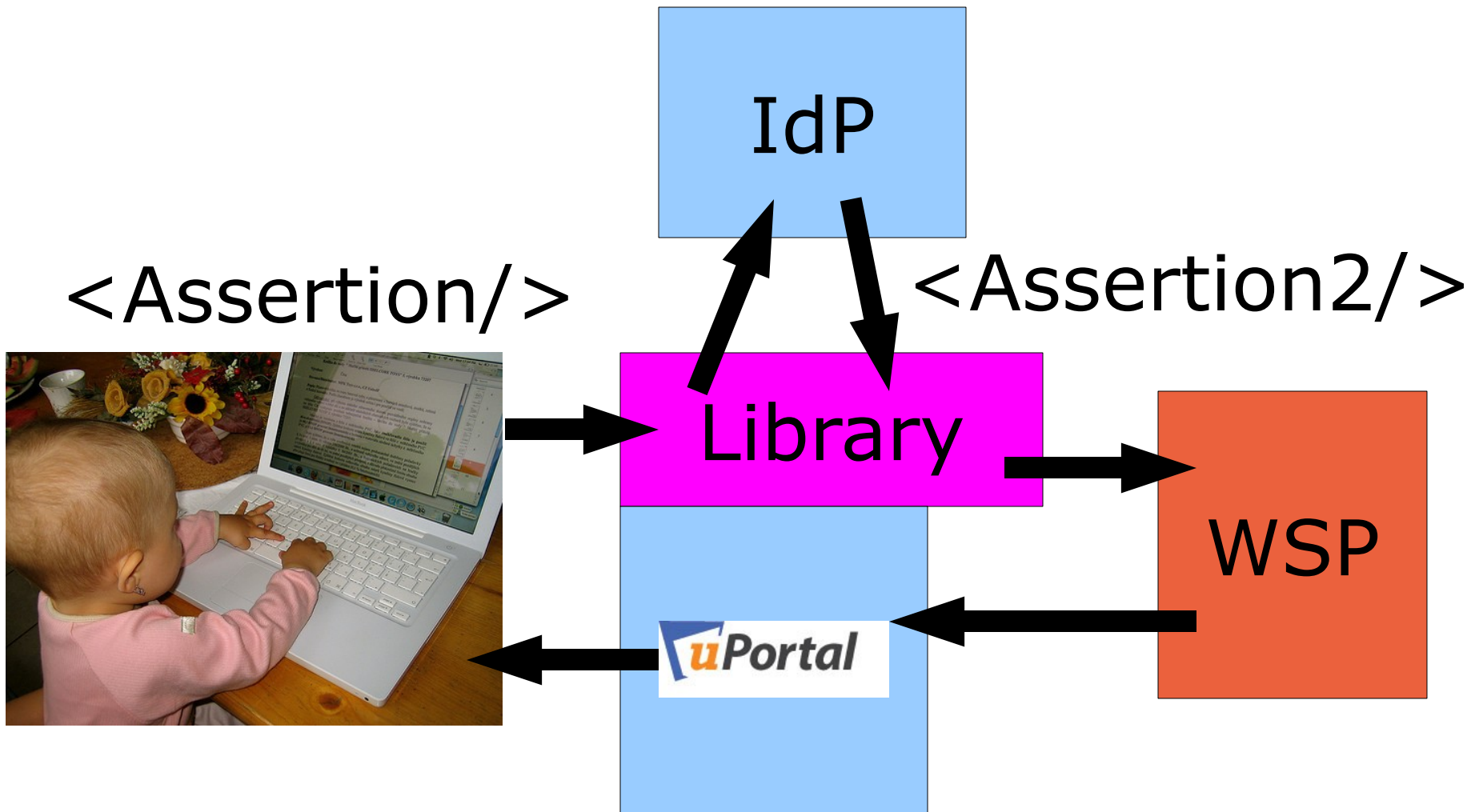
Getting the SAML to the Portlet

- Solution parallel to that for conveying passwords and CAS Proxy Tickets to portlets
- Custom UserInfoService
- Portlets obtain SAML assertions (like passwords and CAS proxy tickets) via callback for a “magic” user attribute

SAML to authenticate to a WSP

- Portlet presents SAML to IdP to get more SAML to present to backing WSP
- Wouldn't it be nice if there were a library that automated this?
 - Abstract away the (re-)authentication part
 - Present to portlet either simple response from WSP or an API to make further requests
 - Think adorned Commons HttpClient

Delegated authentication



Delegated Shibbolized Authentication...

In Shibboleth

Defer to the other slide deck...

- One moment please...

Concluding remarks

Where to learn more

- Internet2 Wiki Space:
- <https://spaces.internet2.edu/x/TTM>
- Tom Barton, Scott Cantor, Andrew Petro, Adam Rybicki, and Tamra Valadez at this conference

Questions & Answers

