

Implementing CAS

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Introduction

Who are we?

What is CAS?

Brief history of CAS

Adam's Involvement with CAS

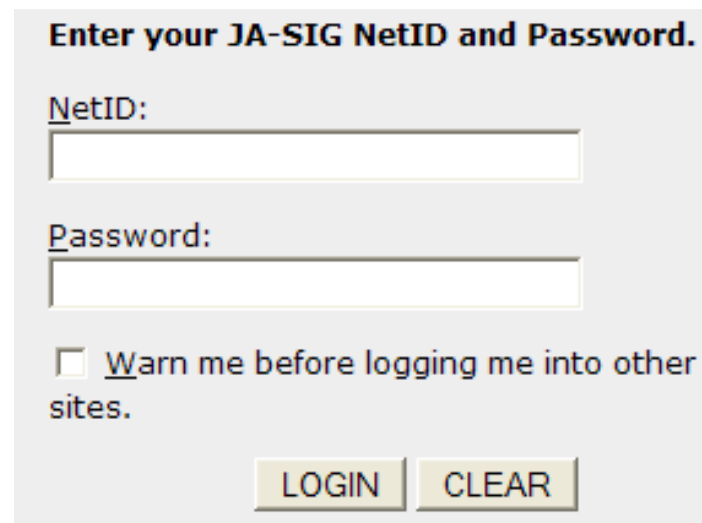
- Got interested.
- Worked with several clients helping them to CASify their applications.
- Asked many questions of the CAS mail list
- Wrote a CAS self-study guide for Unicon developers.
(<https://confluence.unicon.net/confluence/x/XgZi>) (authentication required)
- Answered some questions on the CAS list.
- Currently working with Unicon clients on CAS server implementations and CAS-enabling their Web applications.

Introductions

- Who are you?
 - Name
 - Institution
 - Role
 - Why interested in CAS?

What is CAS?

- CAS is enterprise single-sign-on for the Web.
 - Free
 - Open source
 - Server implemented in Java
 - Clients implemented in a plethora of languages



Enter your JA-SIG NetID and Password.

NetID:

Password:

Warn me before logging me into other sites.

Some of the people involved as the project has evolved

- Scott Battaglia
- Shawn Bayern
- Susan Bramhall
- Marc-Antoine Garrigue
- Howard Gilbert
- Dmitriy Kopylenko
- Arnaud Lesueur
- Drew Mazurek
- Benn Oshrin
- Jan Van der Velpen (Velpi)

Many CAS deployers

- Appian Corporation
- Athabasca University
- Azusa Pacific University
- [BCcampus](#)
- California Polytechnic Institute
- California State University, Chico
- Campus Crusade for Christ
- Case Western Reserve University
- Columbia
- [Employers Direct](#)
- GET-INT
- Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- Indiana
- Karlstad University, Sweden
- La Voz de Galicia, Spain
- Memorial University of Newfoundland
- Nagoya University
- NHMCCD
- Northern Arizona University
- Plymouth State University (used with SunGardHE Luminis)
- Roskilde University
- Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
- SunGard HE Luminis
- [Simon Fraser University](#) (Vancouver, B.C.)
- Suffield Academy
- Tollpost Globe AS

... and more

- Universita degli Studi di Parma
- Universite de Bourgogne - France
- Universite de La Rochelle, France
- Universite de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour, France
- University of Nancy 1, France
- Universite Nancy 2, France
- Universite Pantheon Sorbonne
- Universiteit van Amsterdam
- University of Bristol, England
- University of California Merced
- University of California, Riverside
- University of Crete, Greece
- University of Delaware
- University of Geneva
- University of Hawaii
- University of New Mexico
- University of Rennes1
- University of Technology, Sydney
- Uppsala University
- Valtech
- Virginia Tech
- Yale University
- And likely more not well-enumerated...

Problems CAS solves


Disparate credentials and name spaces

Too many Web applications dealing with credentials

CAS creates new challenges, too

Multi-sign-on for the Web

Enter your account details below to login to Confluence.

 Username:
Password:
 Remember my login on this computer

Log In

Web TimeSheet 6.7




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Enter

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Password:


Login 


Authentication

Username
Password

Submit Cancel

Username: apetro
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At least with one username/password?

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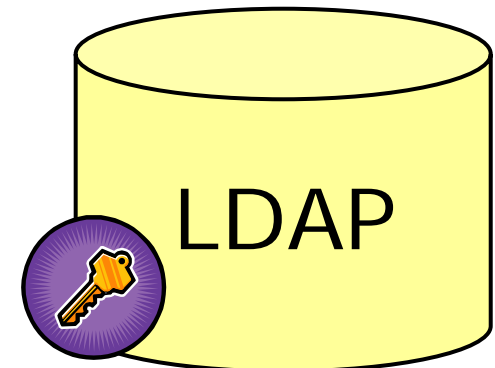
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All applications touch passwords

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Pass *****

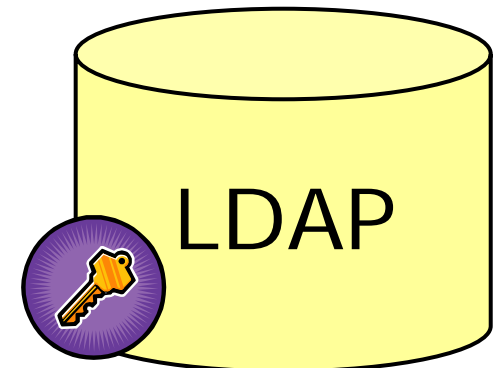
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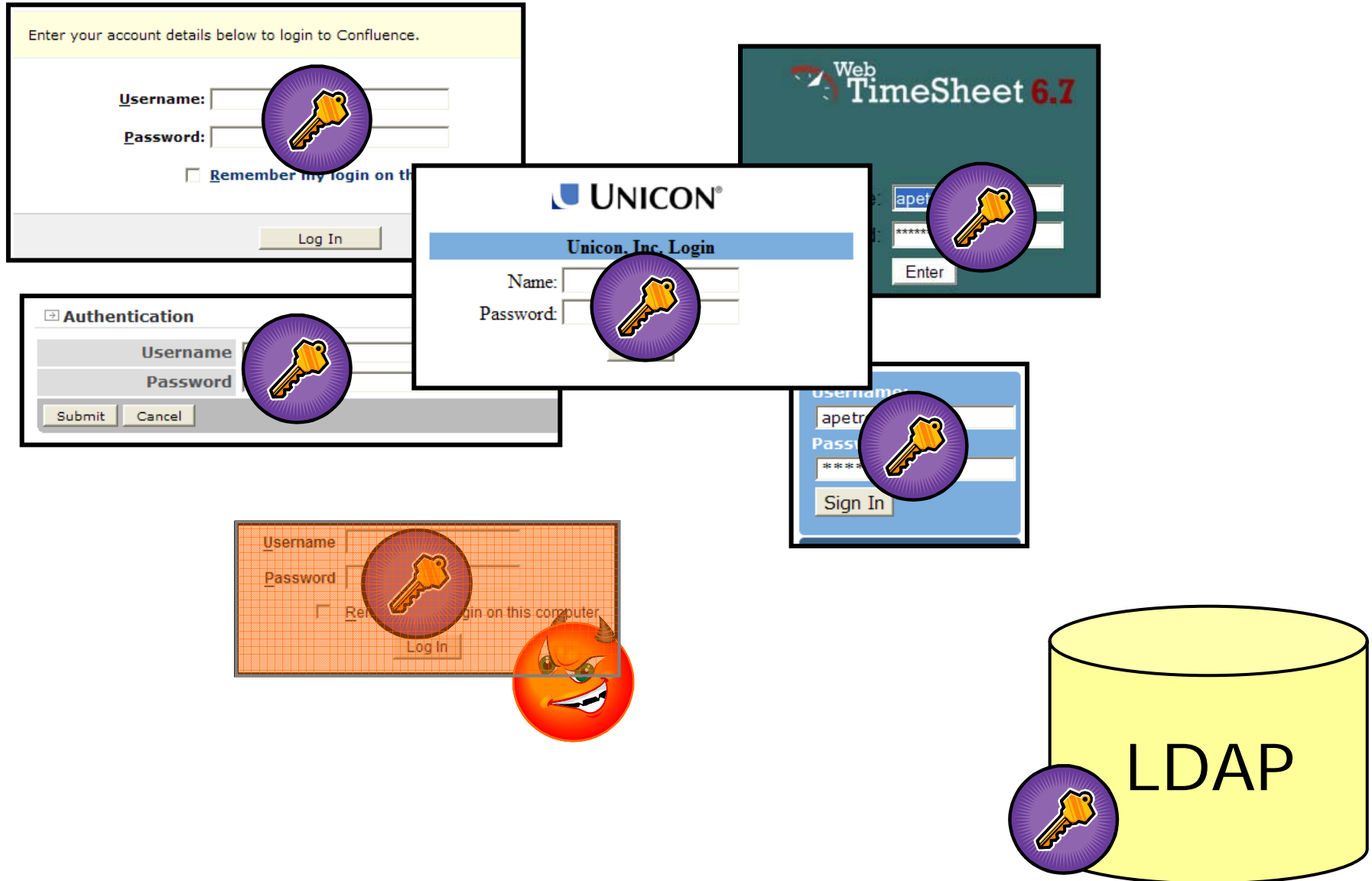
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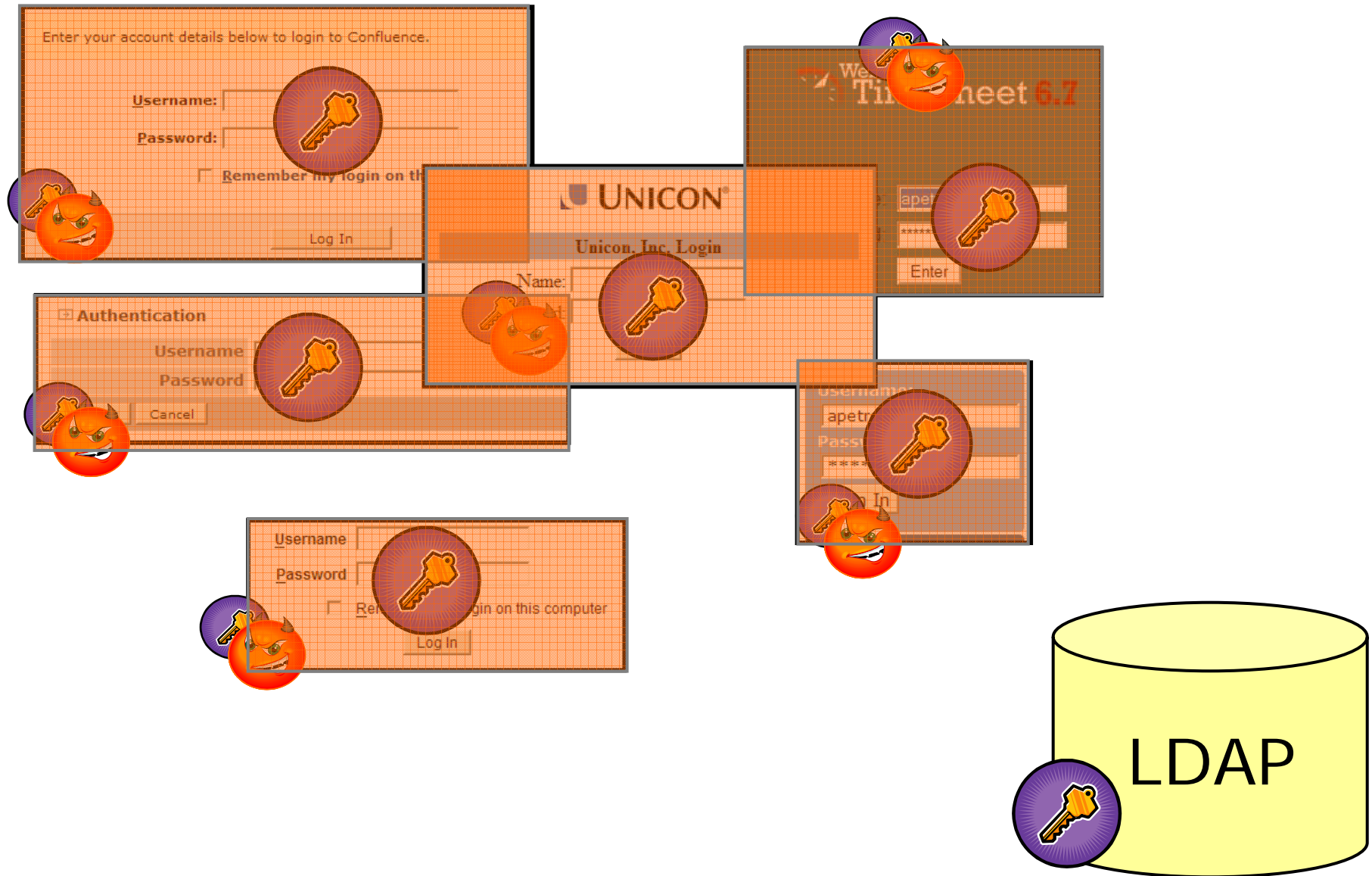
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Any compromise leaks primary credentials



Adversary then can run wild



What to do about this?

- What if there were only one login form, only one application trusted to touch primary credentials?

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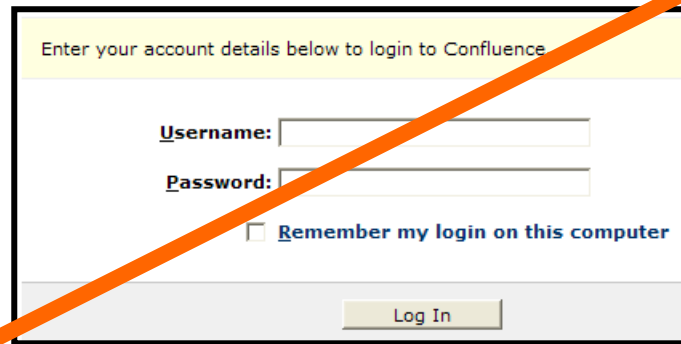
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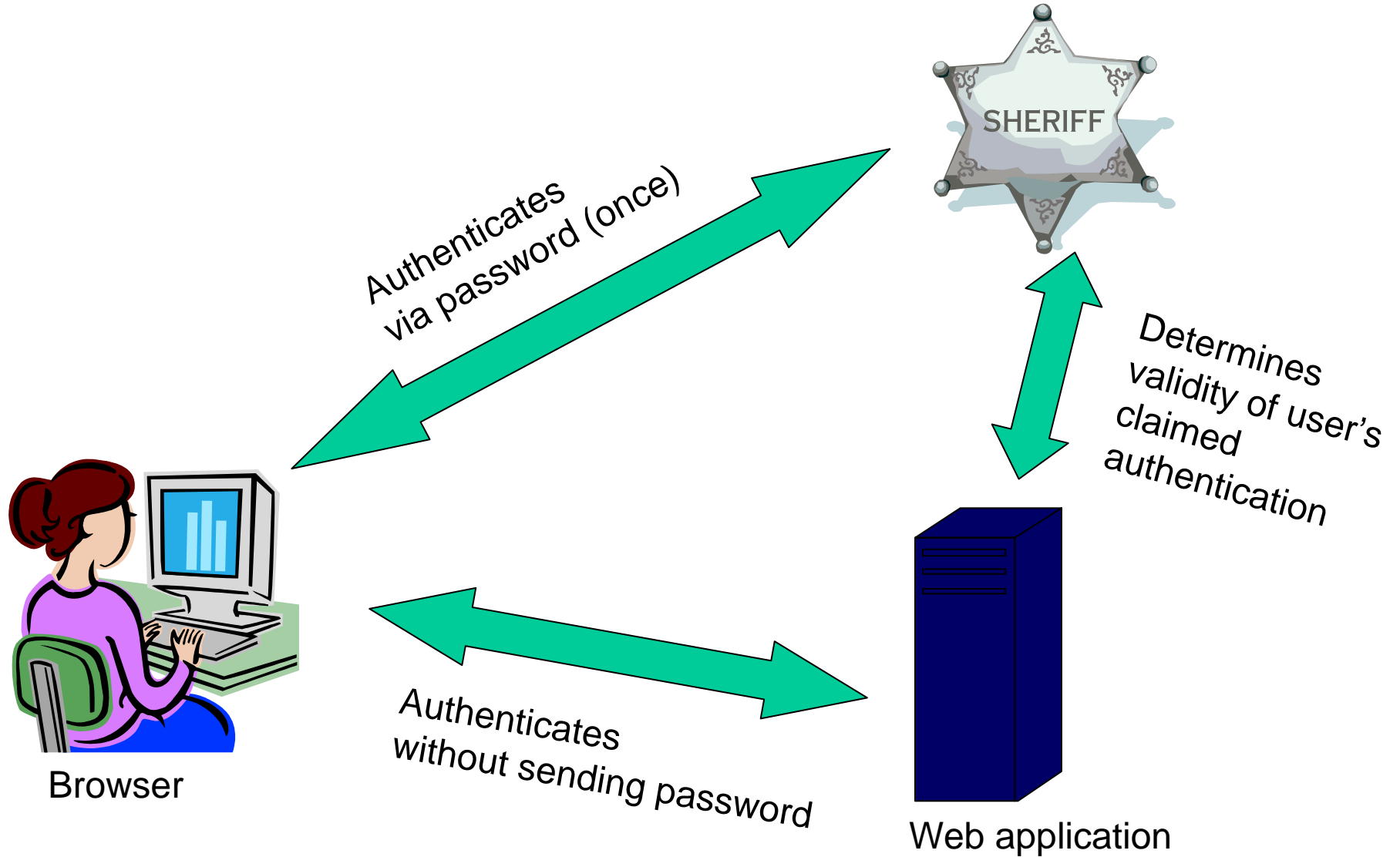
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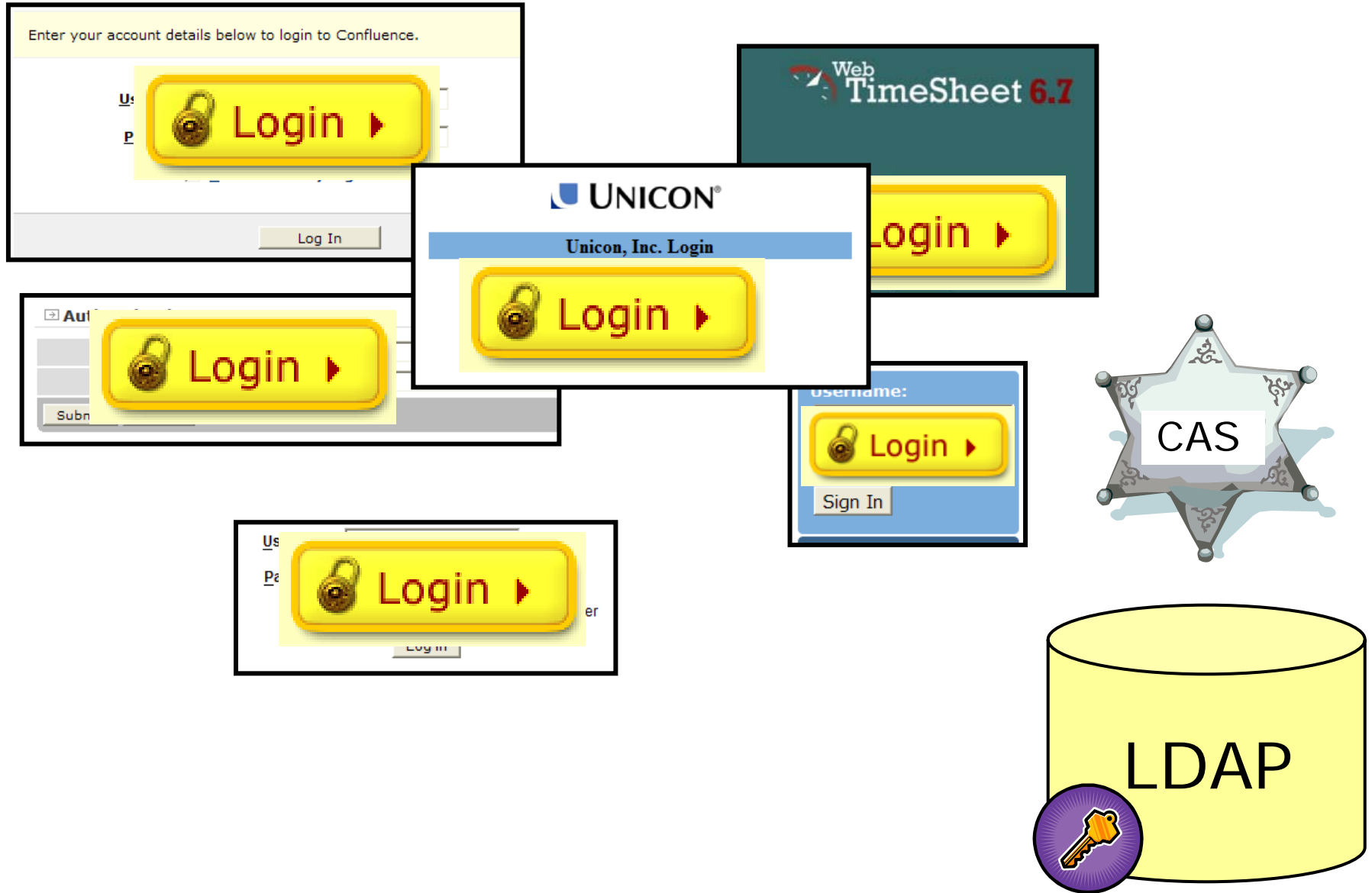
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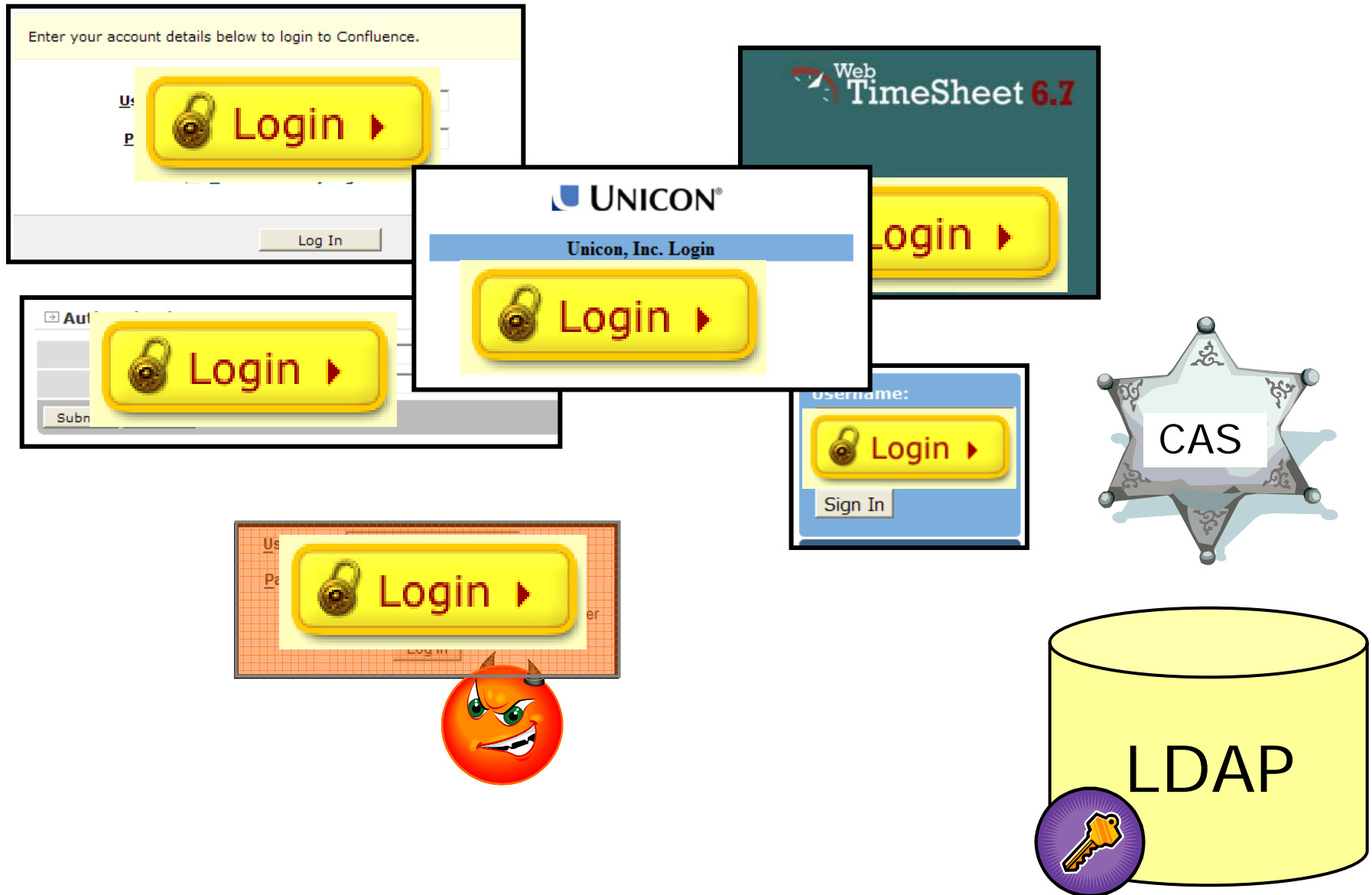
CAS in a nutshell



Webapps no longer touch passwords



Adversary compromises only single apps



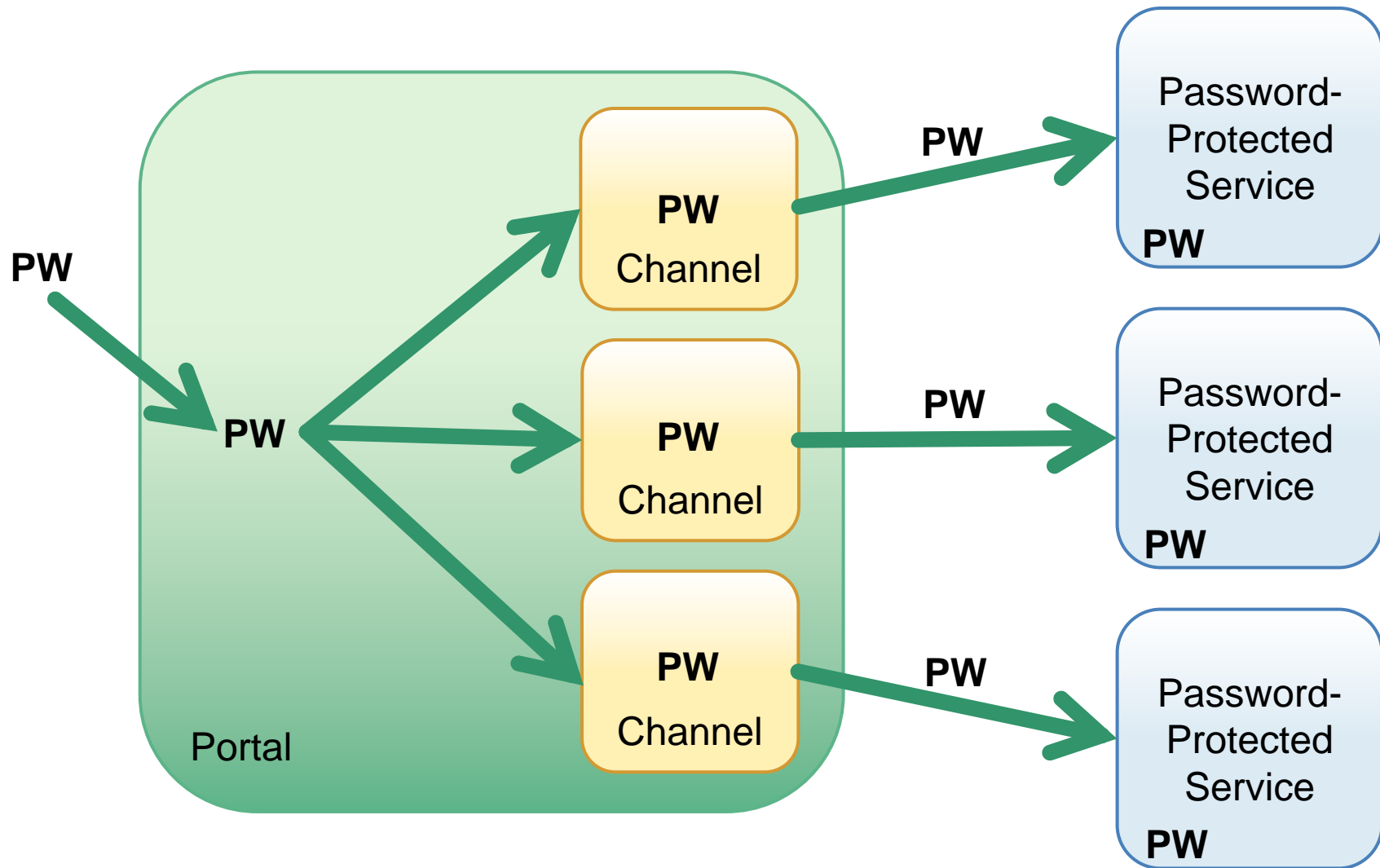
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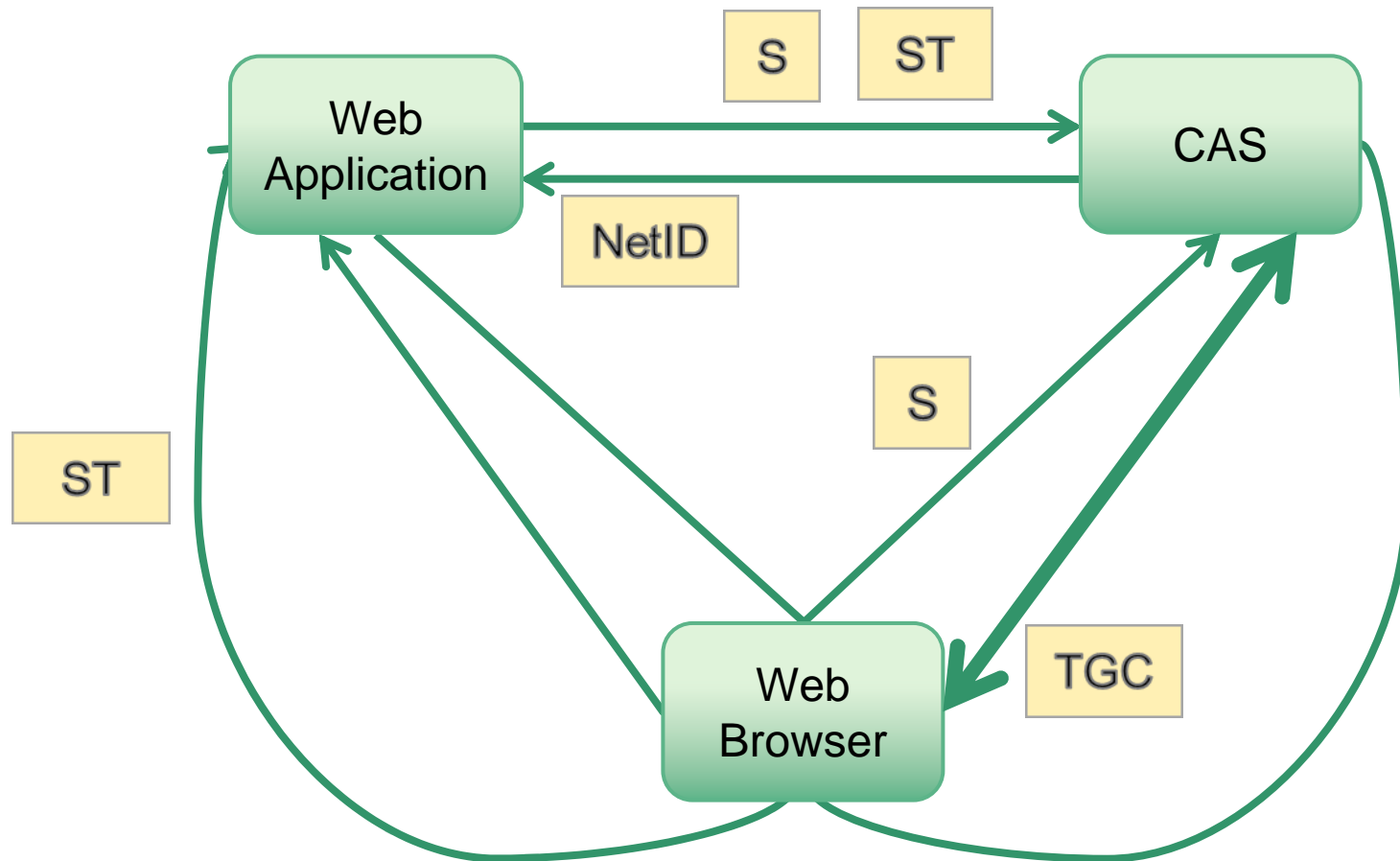
CAS Protocol

Tickets and services

Ticket validation

Proxy authentication

How CAS Works



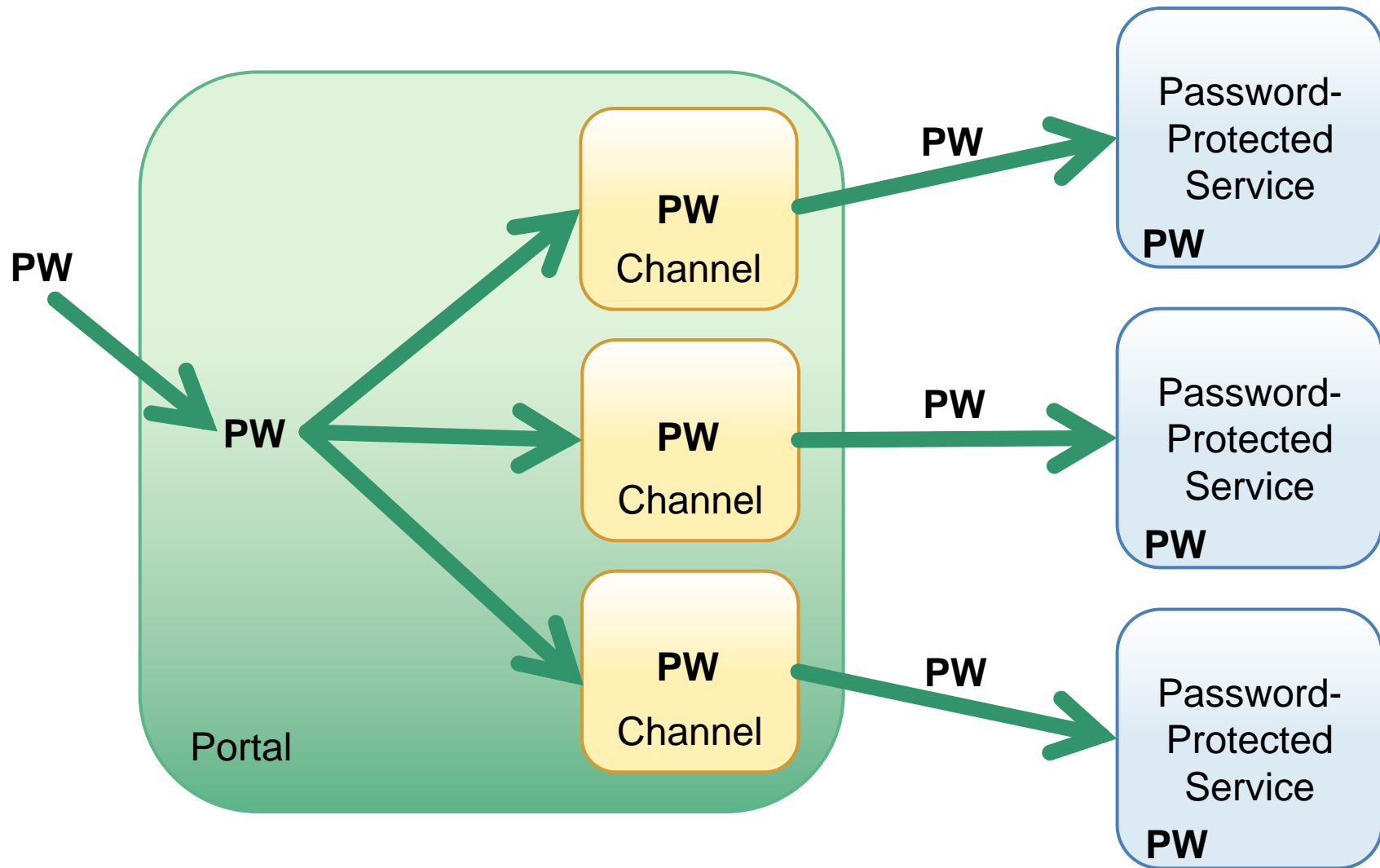
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Password Replay



Look ma, no password!

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

Proxy CAS

- Feature unique to CAS among most of SSO systems
- Allows some Web applications to act as proxies on behalf of the users
- Proxied Web applications may act as N-th level proxies

<http://www.jasig.org/cas/protocol>

Provided Authentication Handlers

- LDAP
 - Fast bind
 - Search and bind
- Active Directory
 - LDAP
 - Kerberos (JAAS)
- JAAS
- JDBC
- RADIUS
- SPNEGO
- Trusted
- X.509 certificates
- Writing a custom authentication handler is easy

CAS – More than Authentication

- Return attributes of logged on users
- Adding support for standards
 - OpenID
 - SAML
- Single Sign-Out
- RESTful API
- Support for clustering
 - Implements distributed ticket registry
 - Requires session replication
 - Must guarantee cross-server ticket uniqueness
- Services management (white listing)
- Remember me (long-term SSO)

Short Term Goals

- Service Registry Enhancements:
 - Self Registration Page
 - Service Priority
 - LDAP implementation of Service Registry
- [InfoCard](#) Support
- Auditing, Logging etc.
- More Internationalization

Long Term Goals

- Re-architecture to support emerging use cases
 - Account Management integration
 - Password Expiration Policies/Password Change Integration
 - SAML, OAuth, OpenID2, etc.
 - Levels of assurance / multifactor authentication / second-level
- Better online / realtime administration
 - Installer / configurer
 - Information about CAS server (open SSO sessions, etc.)
- Hardening / anti-phishing

<http://www.ja-sig.org/wiki/display/CASST/CAS+4+Roadmap>

Building from sources

Obtaining the distribution

Requirements and tools

File structure and dependencies

Obtaining the distribution

- <http://www.jasig.org/cas/>
- SVN at developer.ja-sig.org

```
svn checkout https://www.ja-  
sig.org/svn/cas3/tags/cas-3-3-1-final/  
cas-server
```

- Import and maintain in your source control's vendor branch

Requirements to build CAS

- Required
 - Java Development Kit 5 or 6
 - Maven 2
- Optional
 - SVN
 - Eclipse (with SVN and Maven plugins)
 - EasyEclipse Server (plus Maven plugin)
 - Tomcat (gotta test it somewhere!)

File structure and dependencies

- Top-level Project Object Model (POM or pom.xml) used for all builds and to build dependent sub-projects.
- The top-level POM builds all the sub-projects, but by default they are NOT included in the resulting war file.
- To add dependent sub-projects or additional external libraries to the war file, you need to add dependencies to pom.xml in cas-server-webapp.

Adding a dependency to pom.xml

```
<!-- ... -->
<dependency>
  <groupId>ognl</groupId>
  <artifactId>ognl</artifactId>
  <version>2.6.9</version>
  <scope>runtime</scope>
</dependency>

<dependency>
  <groupId>${project.groupId}</groupId>
  <artifactId>cas-server-support-ldap</artifactId>
  <version>${project.version}</version>
</dependency>

<dependency>
  <groupId>log4j</groupId>
  <artifactId>log4j</artifactId>
  <version>1.2.14</version>
  <type>jar</type>
  <scope>runtime</scope>
</dependency>
<!-- ... -->
```

Building using Maven overlay method

Requirements

Project Structure

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File structure and dependencies

- Start with just Project Object Model (pom.xml) in an empty project directory.
- Add files, as needed, to “overlay” those in the standard WAR file.
 - Your own deployerConfigContext.xml would be the first such file.
 - May want to add institutional images and CSS modifications.
- Add dependencies, as needed, to additional CAS modules.

Configuring CAS

deployerConfigContext.xml

web.xml

log4j.properties

deployerConfigContext.xml

- Located in `cas-server-webapp/src/main/webapp/WEB-INF`
- Deployer-specific configuration file
- This is the first and possibly the only file you have to modify
- Replace the default authentication handler with the one your deployment needs
- Add configuration options that your authentication handler requires

deployerConfigContext.xml example

```
<bean id="authenticationManager" class="org.jasig.cas.authentication.AuthenticationManagerImpl">
  <!-- ... -->
  <property name="authenticationHandlers">
    <list>
      <!--
      | This is the authentication handler that authenticates services by means of callback via SSL, thereby validating
      | a server side SSL certificate.
      +-->
      <bean class="org.jasig.cas.authentication.handler.support.HttpBasedServiceCredentialsAuthenticationHandler" />

      <bean class="org.jasig.cas.adapters.ldap.BindLdapAuthenticationHandler">
        <property name="filter" value="uid=%u" />
        <property name="searchBase" value="ou=People,dc=training" />
        <property name="contextSource" ref="contextSource" />
      </bean>
    </list>
  </property>
</bean>

<bean id="contextSource" class="org.jasig.cas.adapters.ldap.util.AuthenticatedLdapContextSource">
  <property name="anonymousReadOnly" value="true" />
  <property name="password" value="{password_goes_here}" />
  <property name="pooled" value="true" />
  <property name="urls">
    <list>
      <value>ldap://localhost/</value>
    </list>
  </property>
  <property name="userName" value="{username_goes_here}" />
  <property name="baseEnvironmentProperties">
    <map>
      <entry>
        <key><value>java.naming.security.authentication</value></key>
        <value>simple</value>
      </entry>
    </map>
  </property>
</bean>
```

web.xml

- Located in `cas-server-webapp/src/main/webapp/WEB-INF`
- Standard JEE deployment descriptor
- All endpoints defined as mapped to one servlet
- Uses Spring WebMVC
- This is the “root” of the CAS Web application configuration
- Re-enable the user-friendly error reporting
- Lists all the Spring context configuration files
- My need to add `auditTrailContext.xml`

log4j.properties

- Located in
cas-server-webapp/src/main/webapp/WEB-INF/classes
- Log4j periodically re-reads this file (no Tomcat restart needed after editing)
- Add fully-qualified path to “cas.log”
- May want to increase the log level for troubleshooting
- Warning: setting the log level to DEBUG or higher will log users' passwords

Additional Features

Service registry

Single sign-out

OpenID

Service registry

- Allows to maintain a list of services authorized to authenticate to CAS
- Off by default
- When turned on, only registered services will be allowed to authenticate to CAS
- Implementing service registry introduces a database requirement to CAS (using Hibernate)
- Service registry's management interface requires authentication (CAS, of course)
- Must add the service registry URL as the first service to avoid locking out access to the service registry management interface

Enabling service registry

Find a section of `deployerConfigContext.xml` that looks like this:

```
<bean id="userDetailsService" class="org.acegisecurity.userdetails.memory.InMemoryDaoImpl">
  <property name="userMap">
    <value>

    </value>
  </property>
</bean>
```

and make it look like this:

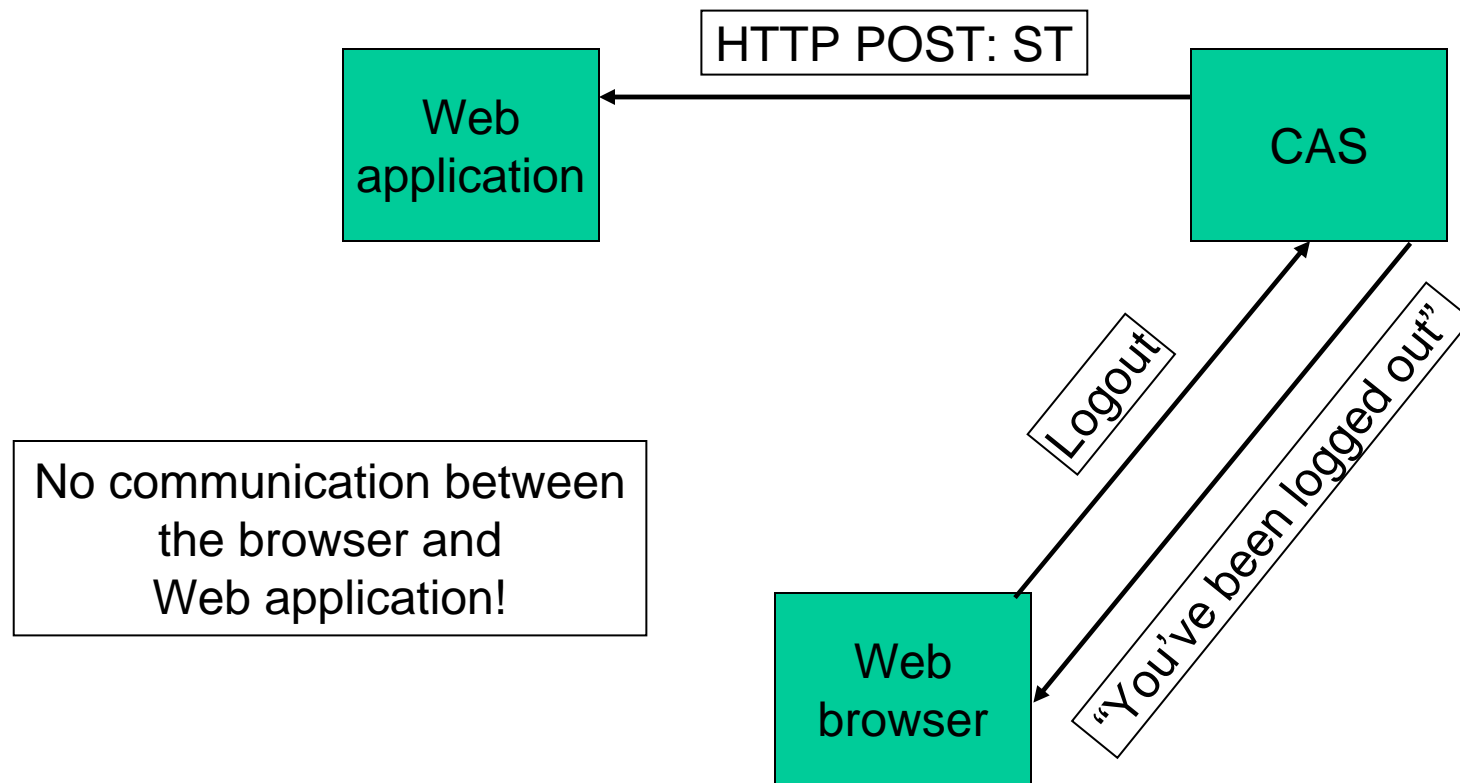
```
<bean id="userDetailsService" class="org.acegisecurity.userdetails.memory.InMemoryDaoImpl">
  <property name="userMap">
    <value>
      adam=notused,ROLE_ADMIN
    </value>
  </property>
</bean>
```

Now user "adam" is authorized to manage services.
Need to enable the database persistence, too.

Single sign-out

- Allows CAS to post a “user signed out” message to all services that have previously authenticated to CAS
- On by default
- Services receive the SSOOut message as an HTTP POST to the same endpoint identified during authentication
- Service Ticket identifies the SSO session that was terminated

Single sign-out



OpenID (<http://openid.net/>)

- Allows to use a single digital identity across the Internet
- Web applications delegate authentication to an OpenID provider
- CAS can be configured to be an OpenID provider
- Useful if you have Web applications that support OpenID authentication and not CAS

CAS-enabling (or CASifying) Web applications

uPortal

Tomcat Manager

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uPortal

- **Edit** `properties/security.properties`
- **Edit** `webpages/WEB-INF/web.xml`
- **Edit (uPortal 2.x only)**
`webpages/stylesheets/org/jasig/portal/channels/CLogin/html.xsl`
- **Deploy the changes**
- **Restart uPortal**

Tomcat Manager

- Tomcat Manager relies on container authentication
- This example illustrates how CAS authentication can replace Tomcat's BASIC Authentication without having to write or modify any code
- Locate the Manager applications deployment descriptor (web.xml)
- Replace its original authentication section with CAS filter-based authentication
- Add simple authorization
- <http://www.ja-sig.org/wiki/x/5yM>

Questions?



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