

Authentication and Authorization in PHP

WHAT IS AUTHENTICATION?



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Module Overview

- A rapid introduction to authentication
- Learn about two common types:
 - HTTP Authentication
 - Form-based Authentication

What is Authentication?

“The process of verifying the identity of a user, process, or device, often as a prerequisite to allowing access to resources in an information system.”

NIST Computer Security Resource Center

There Are Multiple Authentication Types



Single-factor Authentication



Multi-factor Authentication

Single-factor Authentication



A form

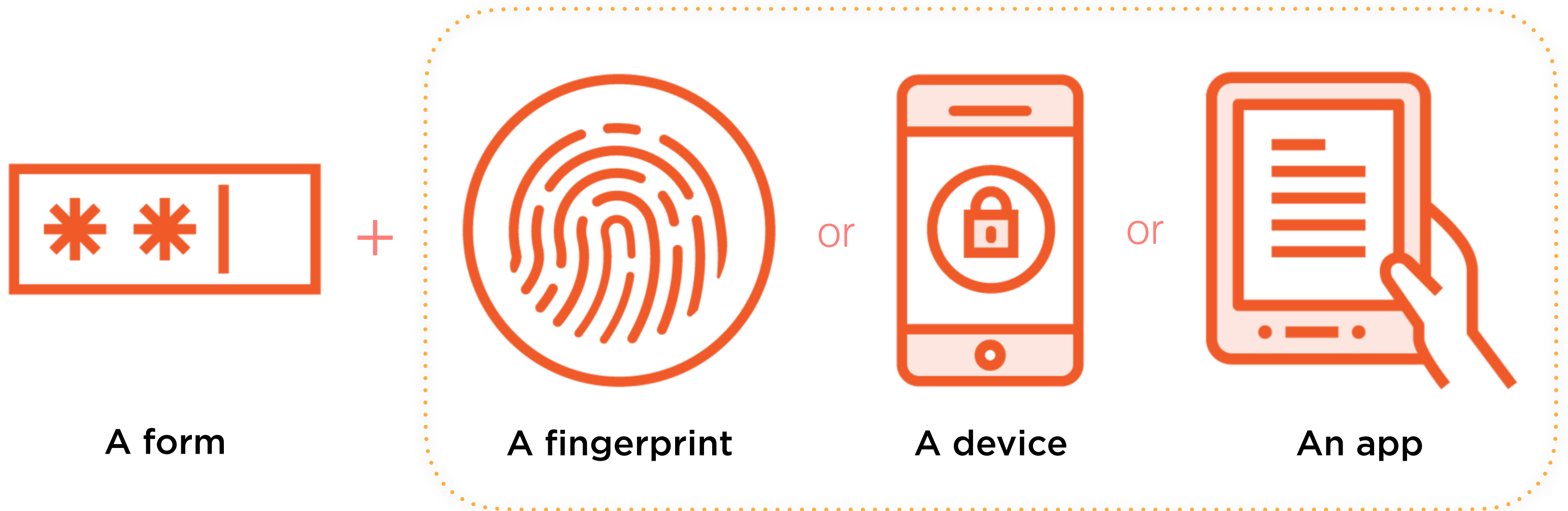


Biometric data



An additional item

Multi-factor Authentication

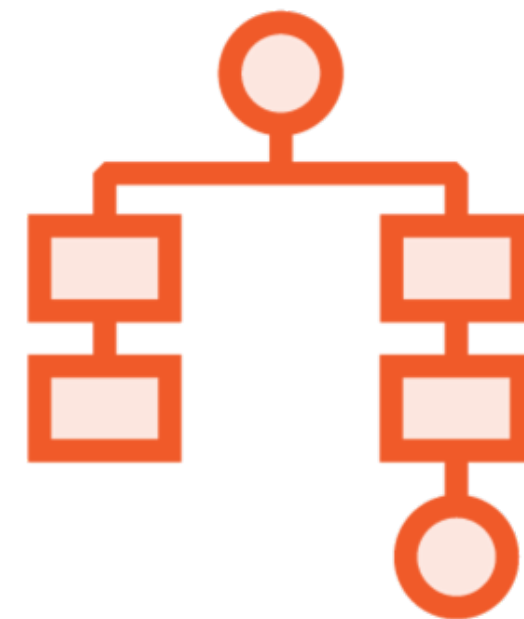


The Difference Between Authentication and Authorization

Authentication vs Authorization



Authentication



Authorization

The Benefits

1. Only valid users have access
2. Access is appropriately authorized

Common Authentication Types

“Authentication framework, which can be used by a server to challenge a client request, and by a client to provide authentication information, as defined by RFC 7235.”

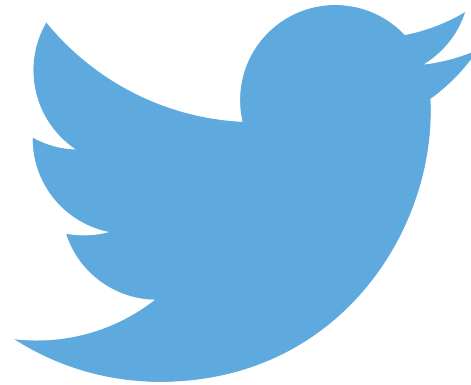
HTTP Authentication (MDN)

HTTP Authentication



- Doesn't use login pages
- Uses HTTP headers
- There are 6 types

Form-based Authentication

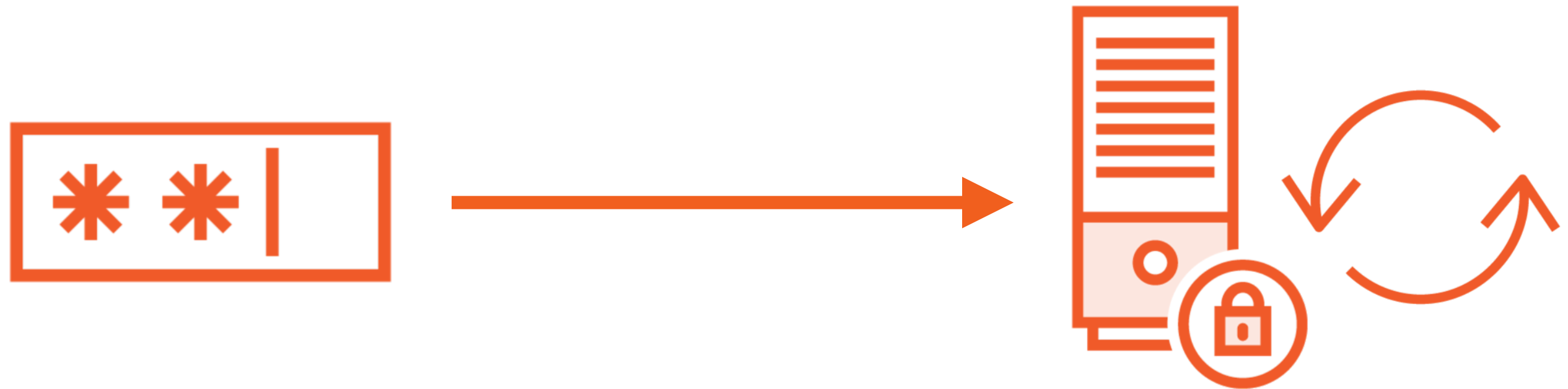


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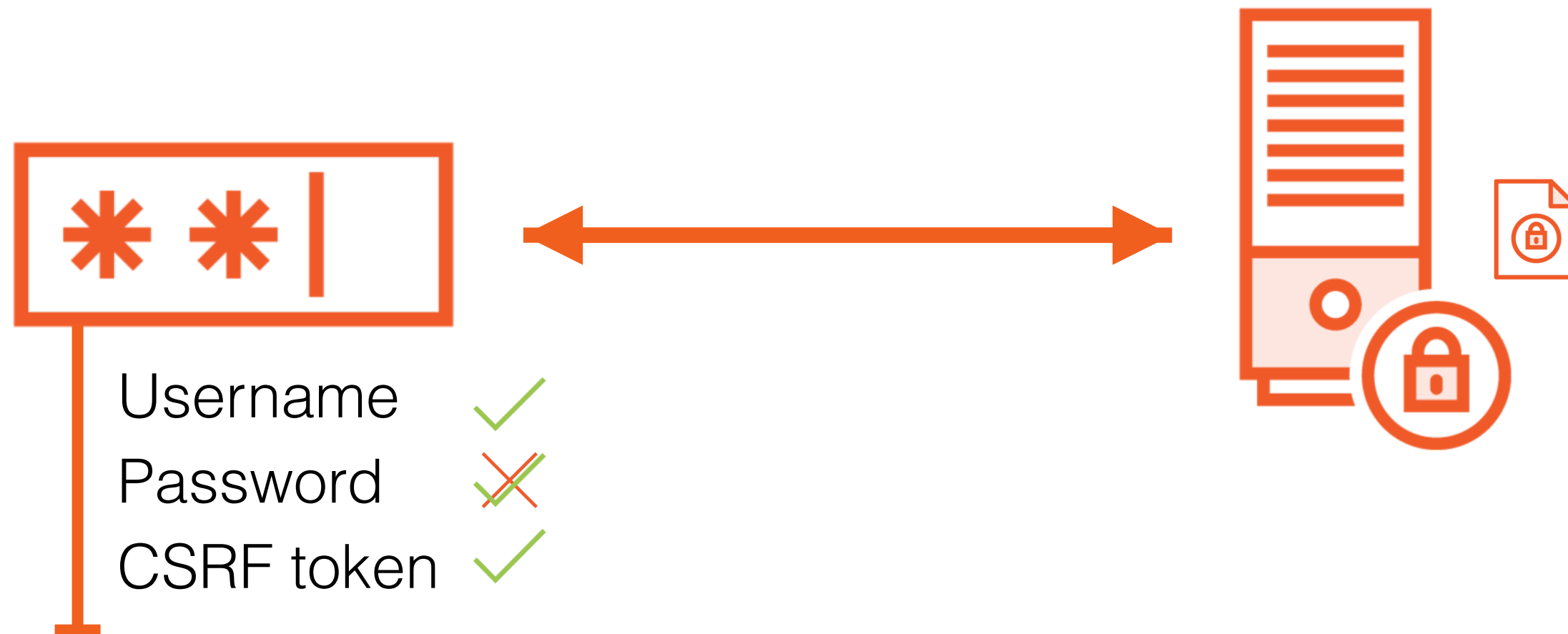


- Has no formal specification
- Uses HTTP and HTML elements
- Is very flexible
- Can be very creative

Form-based Authentication Flow



Form-based Authentication Flow



Please Be Aware



**Set the HttpOnly and Secure flags to
avoid XSS attacks**

Module Recap

- Rapid introduction to authentication
- Learned the difference between authentication and authorization
- Learned about two authentication types

Coming Up Next

- HTTP Authentication
- Basic and Digest