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# DIGITAL IDENTITY

smtp: 550 recipient address rejected

# Summary

- Authentication
- Electronic ID
- HTTPS and TLS
- Federated Identity
- Verifiable Credentials
- Decentralized Identifiers

# Disclaimer and acknowledgements

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[ipzs.it/](https://ipzs.it/)

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[cherrychain.it/](https://cherrychain.it/)



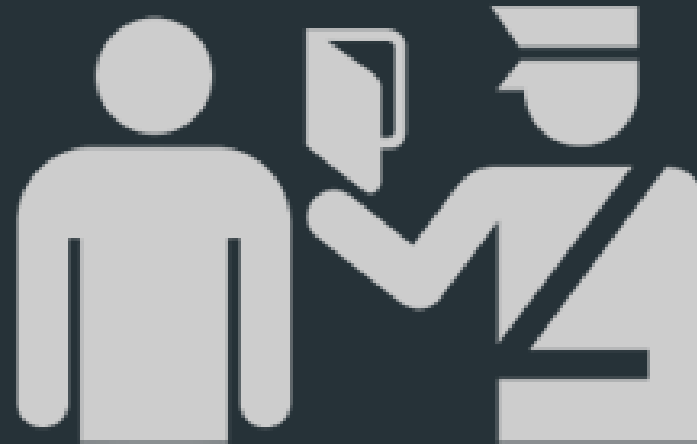
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# AUTHENTICATION



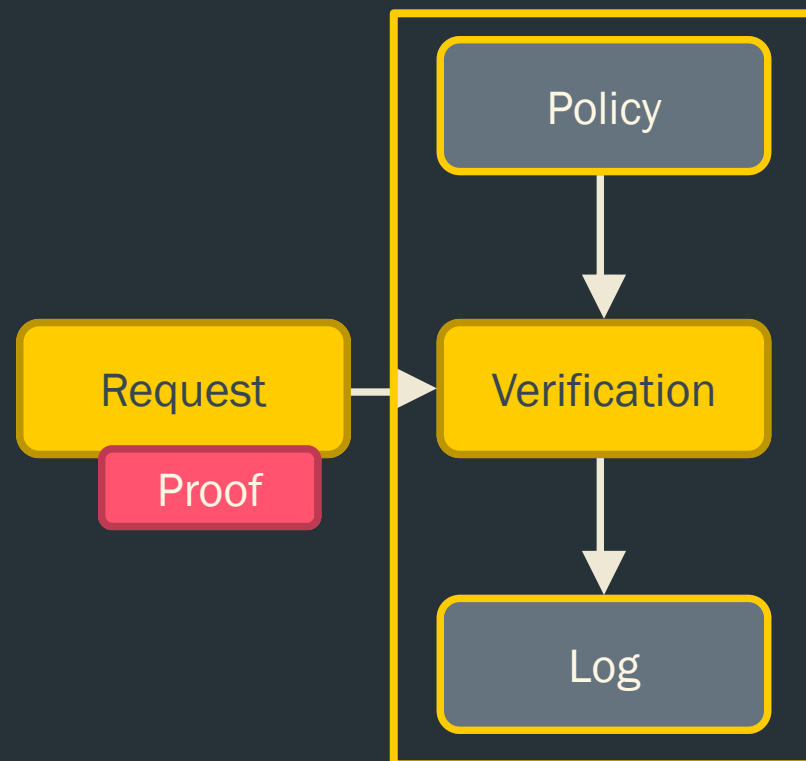
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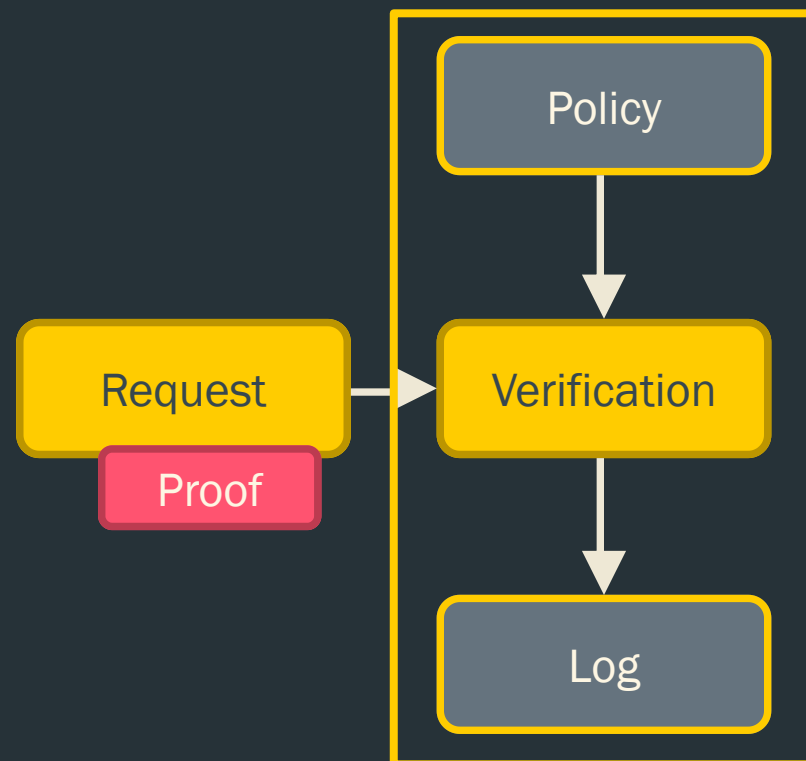


# Authentication

- **Proof** generated from authentication factors



Requires enrollment!



# Glossary [SP 800-63-3]

## ■ Identity

- *An attribute or **set of attributes** that uniquely describe a subject within a given context.*

## ■ Credential

- *An object or data structure that **binds an identity** - via an identifier and (optionally) additional attributes - **to** at least one **authenticator** possessed and controlled by a subscriber.*

## ■ Authenticator

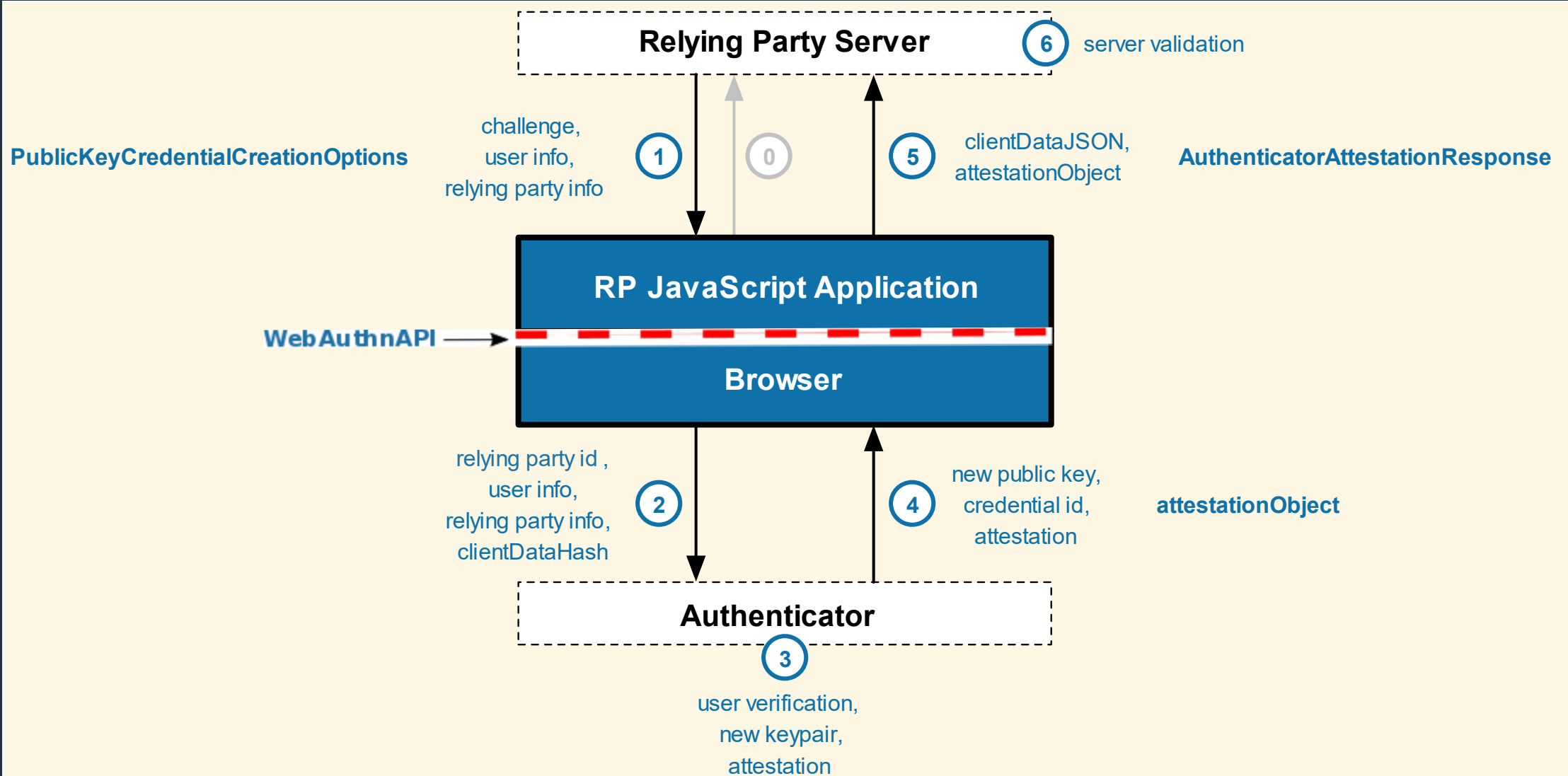
- *Something the claimant possesses and controls used to **authenticate** the claimant's identity.*



# Glossary [SP 800-63-3]

- Credential Service Provider (CSP)
  - *A trusted entity that issues or registers subscriber authenticators and issues electronic credentials to subscribers.*
- Enrollment
  - *Process through which an applicant applies to become a subscriber of a CSP and the CSP validates the applicant's identity.*
- Authentication Protocol
  - *A defined sequence of messages between a claimant and a verifier that demonstrates that the claimant has possession and control of one or more valid authenticators to establish their identity, and, optionally, demonstrates that the claimant is communicating with the intended verifier.*

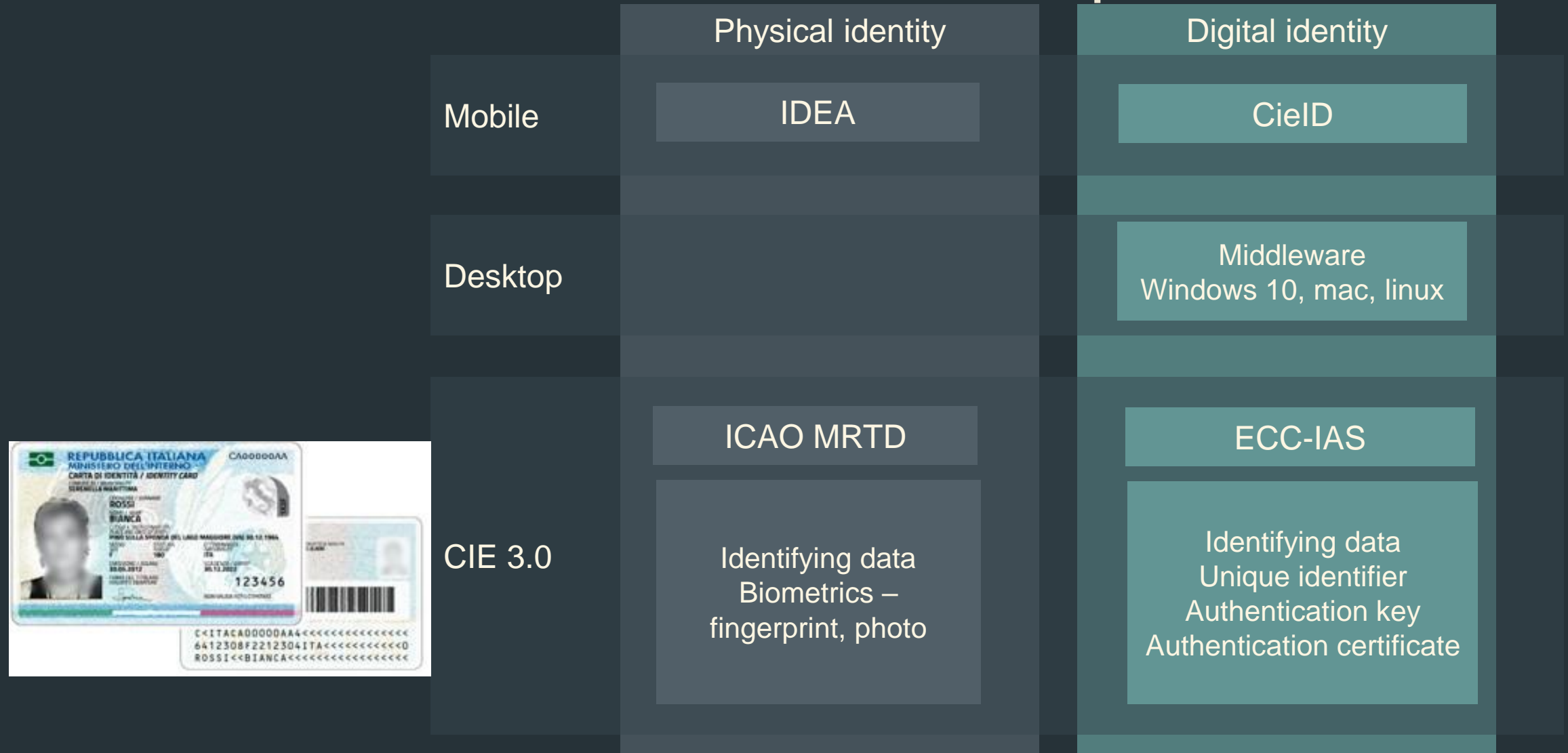
# [WebAuthN]



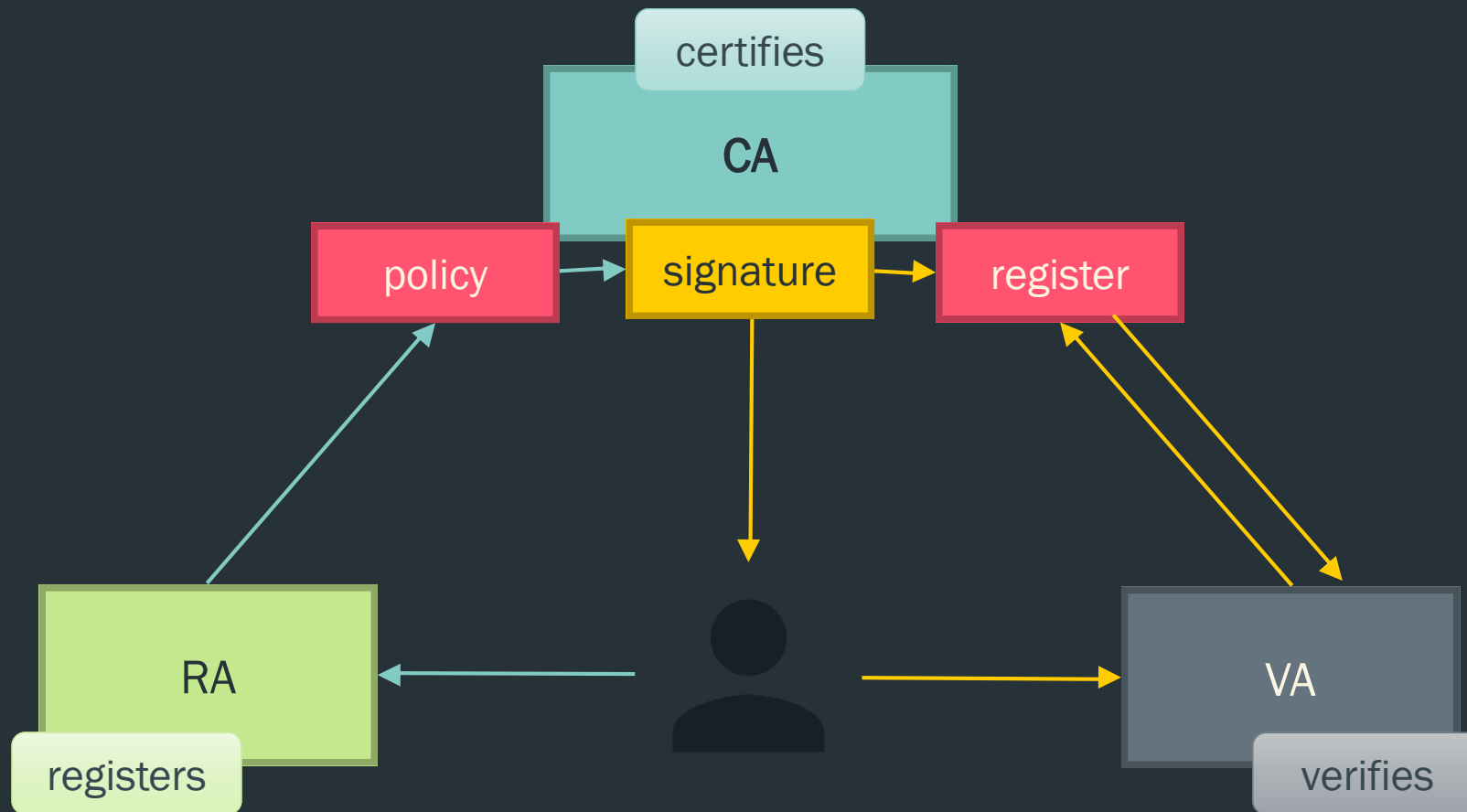
ELECTRONIC ID



# CIE 3.0 smart authentication processes



# Public Key Infrastructure



# X.509 [RFC 5280] - CIE 3.0

## Subject

Common Name : <CF>/<DocID>  
Serial Number : IDCIT-<SubjectID>  
Given Name : <>  
Surname : <>  
Country : IT

## Issued Certificate

Version : 3  
Serial Number : [8 bytes]  
Not Valid Before : yyyy-mm-dd  
Not Valid After : yyyy-mm-dd  
Certificate Fingerprints : SHA1 : [20 bytes] MD5 : [16 bytes]

## Issuer

Common Name :  
    Issuing sub CA for the Italian  
    Electronic Identity Card - SUBCA1  
Organizational Unit :  
    Direz. Centr. per i Servizi  
    Demografici - CNSD  
Organization :  
    Ministero dell'Interno  
Country : IT

## Public Key Info

Key Algorithm : RSA  
Key Parameters : 05 00  
Key Size : 2048  
Key SHA1 Fingerprint : [20 bytes]  
Public Key : [256 bytes]

## Extensions

## Signature

Signature Algorithm :  
    1.2.840.113549.1.1.11 [sha256WithRSAEncryption]  
Signature Parameters : 05 00  
Signature : [512 bytes]

# Extensions

[**Authority Information Access**] Identifier : 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.1.1  
Access Method=**On-line Certificate Status Protocol** (1.3.6.1.5.5.7.48.1)  
Alternative Name : URL=<https://ocsp.cie.interno.gov.it/>

[**CRL Distribution Point**] Identifier : 2.5.29.31  
[1] **CRL Distribution Point**  
Distribution Point Name :  
Full Name : URL=<http://ldap.cie.interno.gov.it/ciesubca1.crl>

# Extensions

[**Certificate Policies**] Identifier : 2.5.29.32

[1] Certificate Policy :

Policy Identifier=1.3.76.47.4

[1,1] Policy Qualifier Info :

Policy Qualifier Id=**User Notice**

Qualifier : Notice Text=X.509 authentication certificate issued by the Italian Ministry of Interior for the Electronic Identity Card

[1,2] Policy Qualifier Info :

Policy Qualifier Id=CPS

Qualifier : [http://www.cartaidentita.interno.gov.it/policy/cittadini\\_cps.pdf](http://www.cartaidentita.interno.gov.it/policy/cittadini_cps.pdf)

## Key Usage

Usages : **Digital signature**

Extended Key Usage

Allowed Purposes : **Client Authentication**

```
KeyUsage ::= BIT STRING {  
    digitalSignature      (0),  
    nonRepudiation       (1) / contentCommitment  
    keyEncipherment      (2),  
    dataEncipherment     (3),  
    keyAgreement         (4),  
    keyCertSign          (5),  
    cRLSign              (6),  
    encipherOnly         (7),  
    decipherOnly         (8) }
```

Certificate Policy and  
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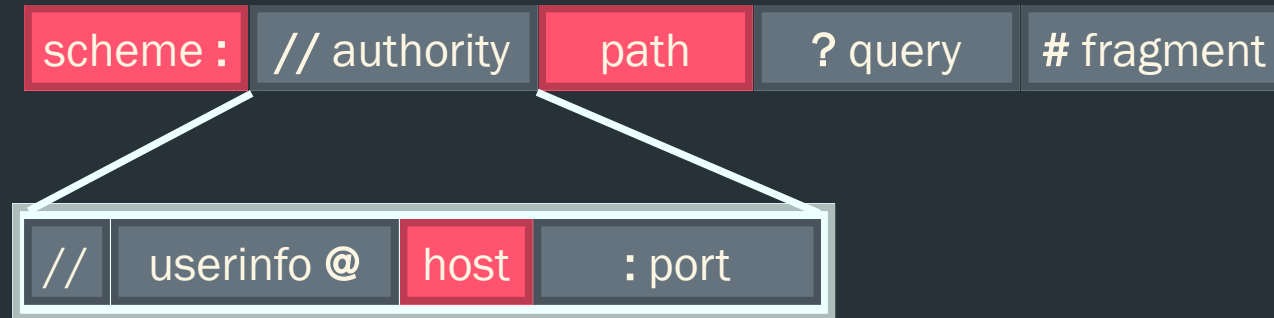
# Recap

- Digital identity consists of claims
- Claims are entered in signed certificates, with a public key
- Authentication is based on proof of possession of the corresponding private key
- Trust is based on the PKI behind the signature, starting with root CAs

# HTTPS AND TRANSPORT LAYER SECURITY



# https: Uniform Resource Identifier



## ■ Examples of URI:

- [https://en.wikipedia.org:443/wiki/Uniform\\_Resource\\_Identifier#Examples](https://en.wikipedia.org:443/wiki/Uniform_Resource_Identifier#Examples)
- <mailto:st@fbk.eu>
- <file:///usr/local/bin/>
- <tel:+1-816-555-1212>
- [doi:10.1000/1](https://doi.org/10.1000/1)

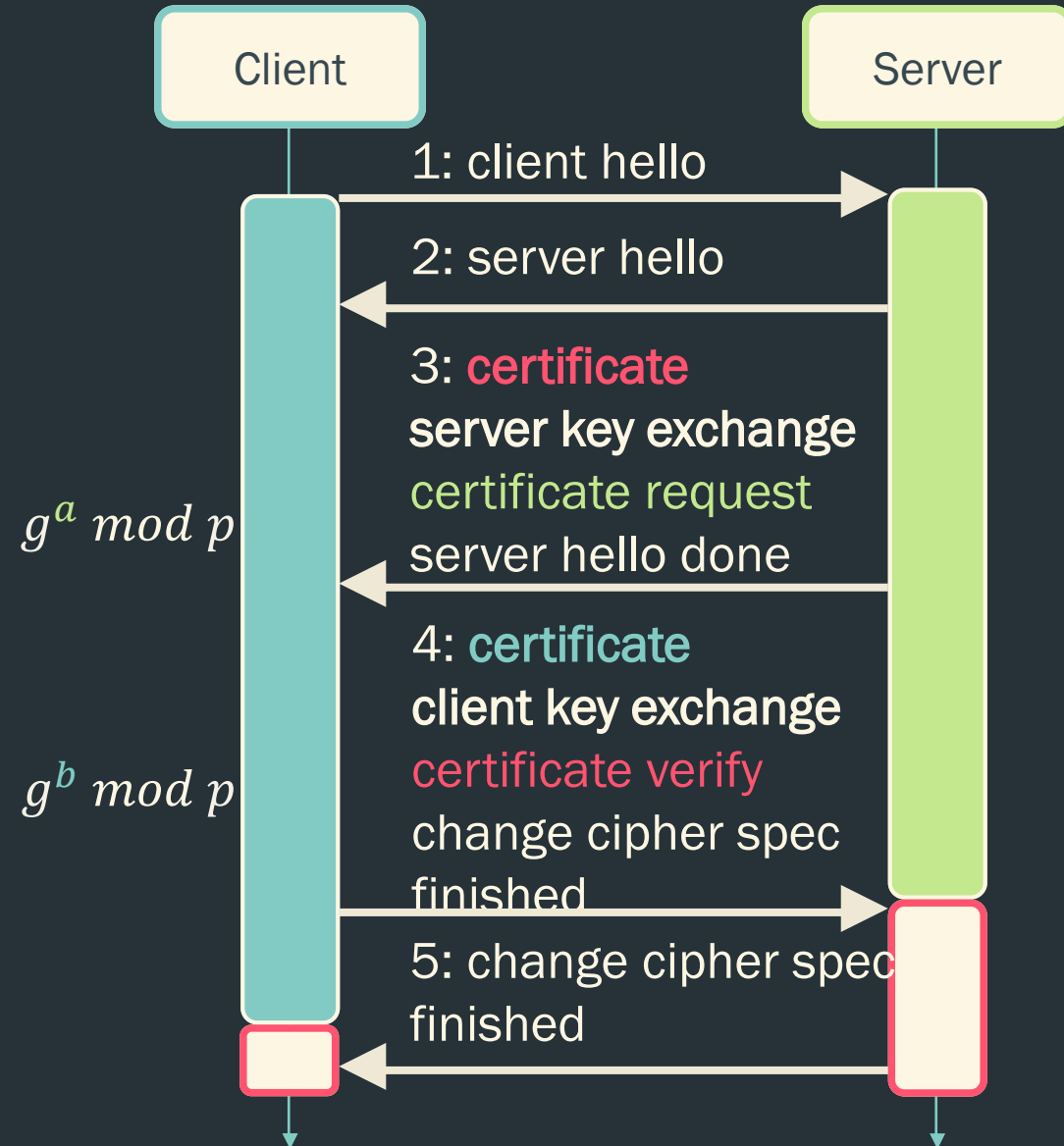
# Transport Layer Security

1. Authentication
2. **Key** exchange
3. Symmetric cryptography



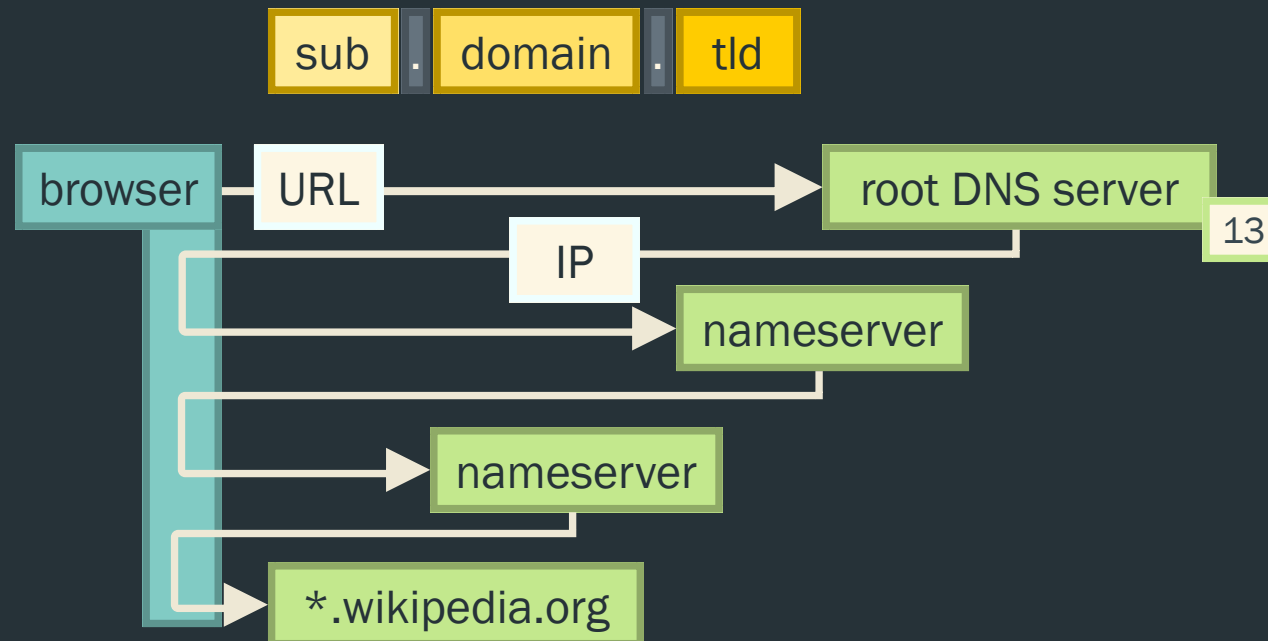
# TLS handshake

1. version, cipher suite
2. protocol, suite, session ID
3. **server cert.**,  
premaster secret,  
**client cert. request**
4. **client cert.**,  
premaster secret,  
client cert. verification
5. OK,  $h(\text{handshake})$



# DNS resolution

- But wait – how did we find “en.wikipedia.org” in the first place?
- We used a Domain Name Service resolver.



## Subject

CN = \*.wikipedia.org  
O = Wikimedia Foundation, Inc.  
L = San Francisco  
S = California  
C = US

# Recap

- Resources are identified / located by a URL / URI
- URL is resolved through a service
- The DNS resolution service is nominally free for users, but secondary servers are run by ISPs. Registering a (sub)domain also incurs fees
  - [OpenDNS](#): 140billion daily DNS requests. [dns.google.com/](#): 400bn in 2014
- Root CA certificates are embedded in the browser

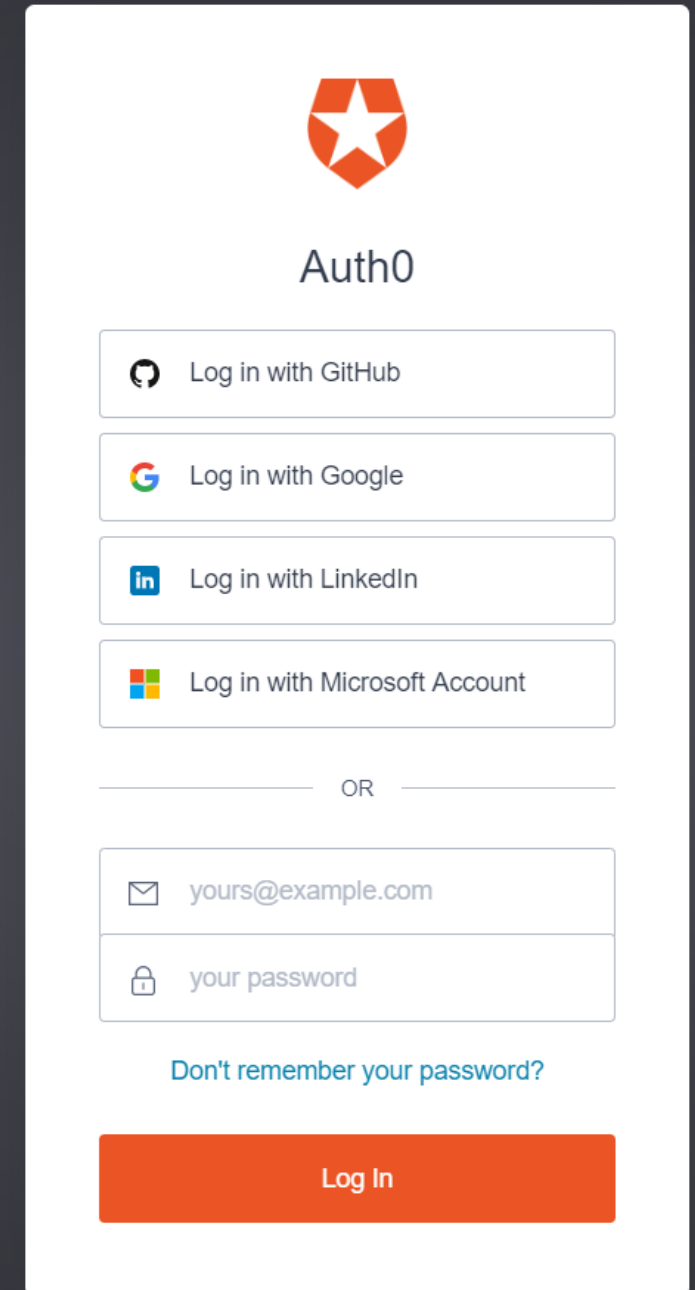
# FEDERATED IDENTITY







# Federated sign-on


- Third-party apps verify user identity and get claims
- Trust between authentication provider and service provider
- Outsources much of the burden of enrollment and authentication to ID providers
- Main authentication protocols:
  - *OIDC – OpenID Connect [JWT]*
  - *SAML – Security Assertion Markup Language [XML]*





The image shows a login interface for Auth0. At the top is the Auth0 logo, which consists of a red shield with a white star. Below the logo is the text "Auth0". There are four buttons for social login: "Log in with GitHub", "Log in with Google", "Log in with LinkedIn", and "Log in with Microsoft Account". Below these buttons is a horizontal line with the text "OR" in the center. Underneath the line are two input fields: the first is for an email address, with the placeholder text "yours@example.com", and the second is for a password, with the placeholder text "your password". Below the input fields is a link that says "Don't remember your password?". At the bottom is a large orange button labeled "Log In".

  
Auth0


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 Log in with Microsoft Account

OR

 yours@example.com

 your password

[Don't remember your password?](#)

Log In

# OIDC summary

- **Subject** starts log in to App with **Provider**
- App sends Authorization Request to **Provider**
- **Provider** authenticates **Subject**
- **Provider** lists all the permissions that App wants, e.g. email, and asks you if Subject authorizes
- **Provider** sends Access Token, and (if requested) ID Token, to App
- App can retrieve user information from the ID Token or use the Access Token to invoke a **Provider** API.



Auth0

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OR

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 your password

[Don't remember your password?](#)

Log In

# JWT [**RFC 7519**, [jwt.io](https://jwt.io)]

- JSON Web Token (JWT):

- *Representation of claims to be transferred between two parties*

Issuer	Subject	Audience	Not before	Issued at	JWT ID
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- *payload of a JSON Web Signature (JWS)*
  - *plaintext of a JSON Web Encryption (JWE)*

- JWS: header.payload.signature [**RFC 7515**], [**RFC 7797**]

- Note: Audience is app-specific, Subject and ID are issuer-specific

# OIDC ID JWT standard claims

Subject	Profile	Zoneinfo
Name	picture	Locale
Given_name	Website	Phone_number
Family_name	Email	Phone_number_verified
Middle_name	Email_verified	Address
nickname	Gender	Updated_at
Preferred_username	Birthdate	

[https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-core-1\\_0.html#StandardClaims](https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-core-1_0.html#StandardClaims)

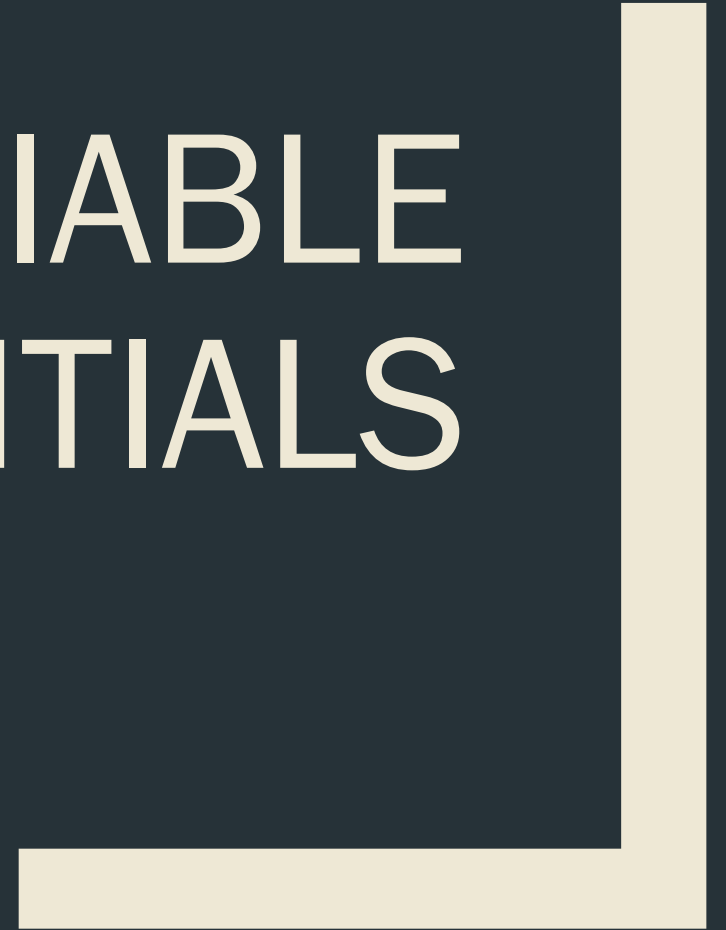
# Recap

- A few dominant services act as Credential Service Providers
  - *Recall: credentials bind identity (attributes) to authenticators*
- Requires federation to ensure consent and disclosure to intended service
- Claim subjects are tied to an identifier that is CSP-specific
- Claim issuing and verification is based on the CSP

# Motivation for alternatives

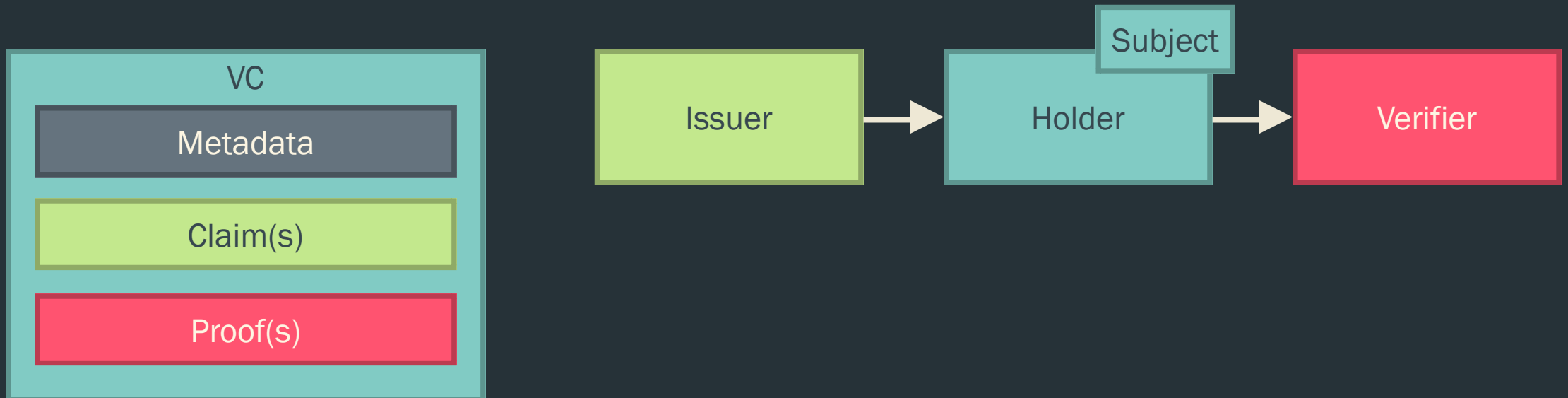
- [CSP] can issue claims about [identity] and [app] can verify them
- How does [app] make claims about [identity] and have them verified by other [app]s?
- Is there a single way to refer to [identity] without relying on many [CSP]?
- Contrived use case: education qualifications.
  - *Suppose universities could offer claims of alumni qualifications instantly verifiable online by any authorized employer. What if claims were tied to [your.first.email@orange.net](#)?*

# VERIFIABLE CREDENTIALS



# Verifiable Credentials (VC) [W3C-VC]

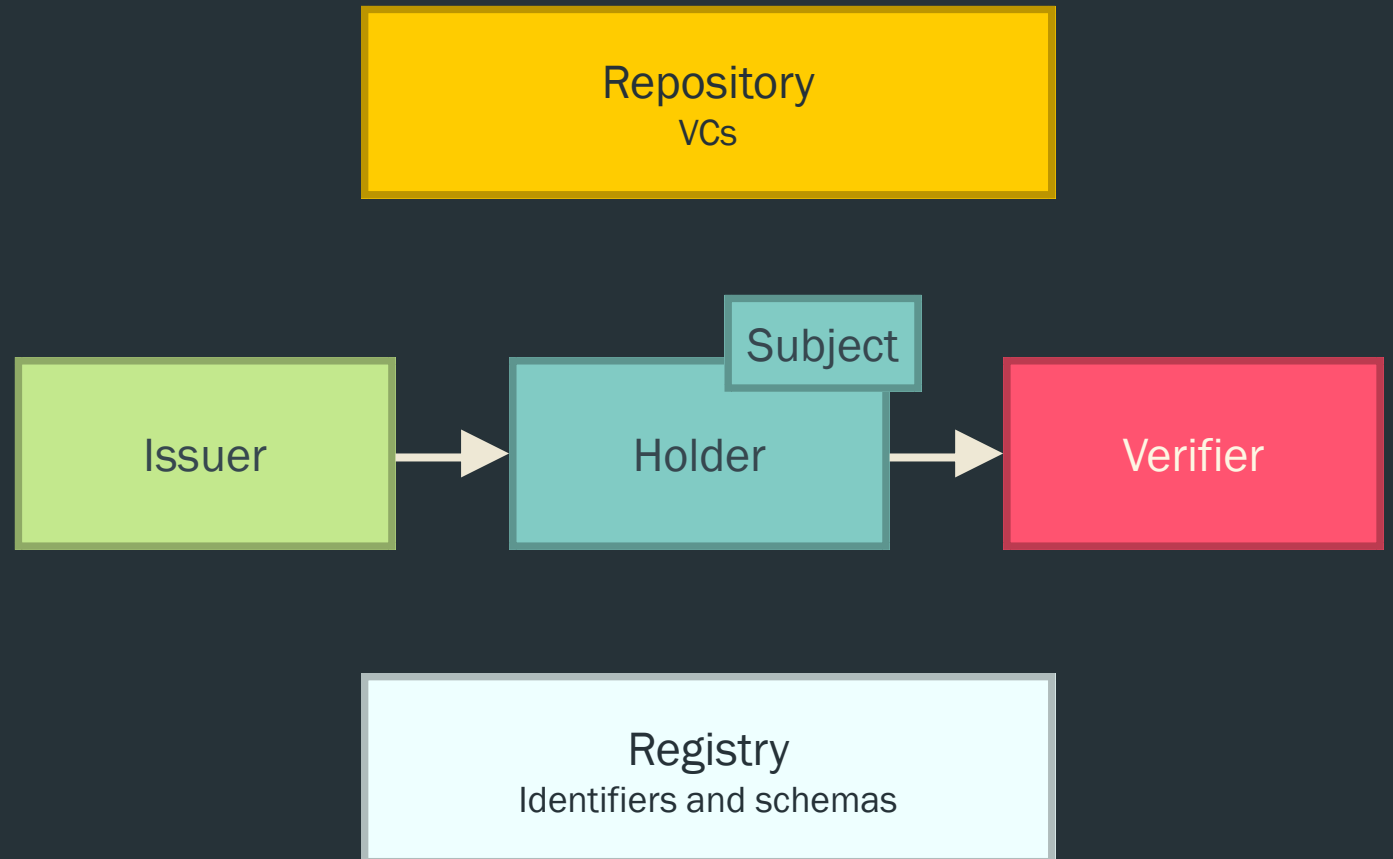
- **Verifiable credentials:** statements made by an **issuer** in a tamper-evident manner.
- Acting as **issuer**, **holder**, or **verifier** requires neither registration nor approval by any authority, as the trust involved is bilateral between parties. No federation required.





# VC logical view

- **Repository:** a program, such as a storage **vault** or personal verifiable credential **wallet**, that stores and protects access to holders' verifiable credentials.
- Verifiable data **Registry:** system mediating creation and verification of **identifiers**, **keys**, VC schemas, **revocation registries**, issuer public keys, etc



# VC Trust Model

- **Verifier** trusts **Issuer** to issue the credential that it received.
- All entities trust the verifiable data **Registry** to be tamper-evident and to be a correct record of which data is controlled by which entities.
- **Holder** and **Verifier** trust **Issuer** to issue true (not false) credentials about the **Subject**, and to **revoke** them quickly when appropriate.
- **Holder** trusts the **Repository** to store credentials securely, to not release them to anyone other than the holder, and to not corrupt or lose them while they are in its care.
- This trust model differentiates itself from other trust models by ensuring the:
  - **Issuer** and the **Verifier** do *not* need to trust the **Repository**
  - **Issuer** does *not* need to know or trust the **Verifier**.

# VC implementations

- JSON Web Tokens [**RFC 7519**] secured using JSON Web Signatures [**RFC 7515**]
- Linked Data Signatures [<https://w3c-dvcg.github.io/ld-signatures/>]
- Camenisch-Lysyanskaya Zero-Knowledge Proofs [**CL**]

# VC data model [W3C-VC]

```
{ "@context": [
  "https://www.w3.org/2018/credentials/v1",
  "https://www.w3.org/2018/credentials/examples/v1"
],
  "id": "http://example.edu/credentials/1872",
  "type": ["VerifiableCredential", "AlumniCredential"],
  "issuer": "https://example.edu/issuers/565049",
  "issuanceDate": "2010-01-01T19:73:24Z",
  "credentialSubject": {
    "id": "did:example:ebfeb1f712ebc6f1c276e12ec21",
    "alumniOf": {
      "id": "did:example:c276e12ec21ebfeb1f712ebc6f1",
      "name": [{
        "value": "Example University",
        "lang": "en"
      }, {
        "value": "Exemple d'Université",
        "lang": "fr"
      } ]
    }
  }
}
```

```
"proof": {
  "type": "RsaSignature2018",
  "created": "2017-06-18T21:19:10Z",
  "proofPurpose": "assertionMethod",
  "verificationMethod":
    "https://example.edu/issuers/keys/1",
  "jws":
    "eyJhbGciOiJSUzI1NiIsImI2NCI6ZmFsc2UsImNyaXQiOlsiYjY0Il19..
    TCYt5XsITJX1CxPCT8yAV-
    TVkIEq_PbChOMqsLfRoPsnsgw5WEuts01mq-
    pQy7UJiN5mgRxD-
    WUcX16dUEMGlv50aqzpqh4Qktb3rk-
    BuQy72IFLOqV0G_zS245-
    kronKb78cPN25DGlcTwLtjPAYuNzVBah4vGHSrQyH
    UdBBPM" }}
}
```

# DECENTRALIZED IDENTIFIERS



# Decentralized Identifier (DID) [W3C-DID]

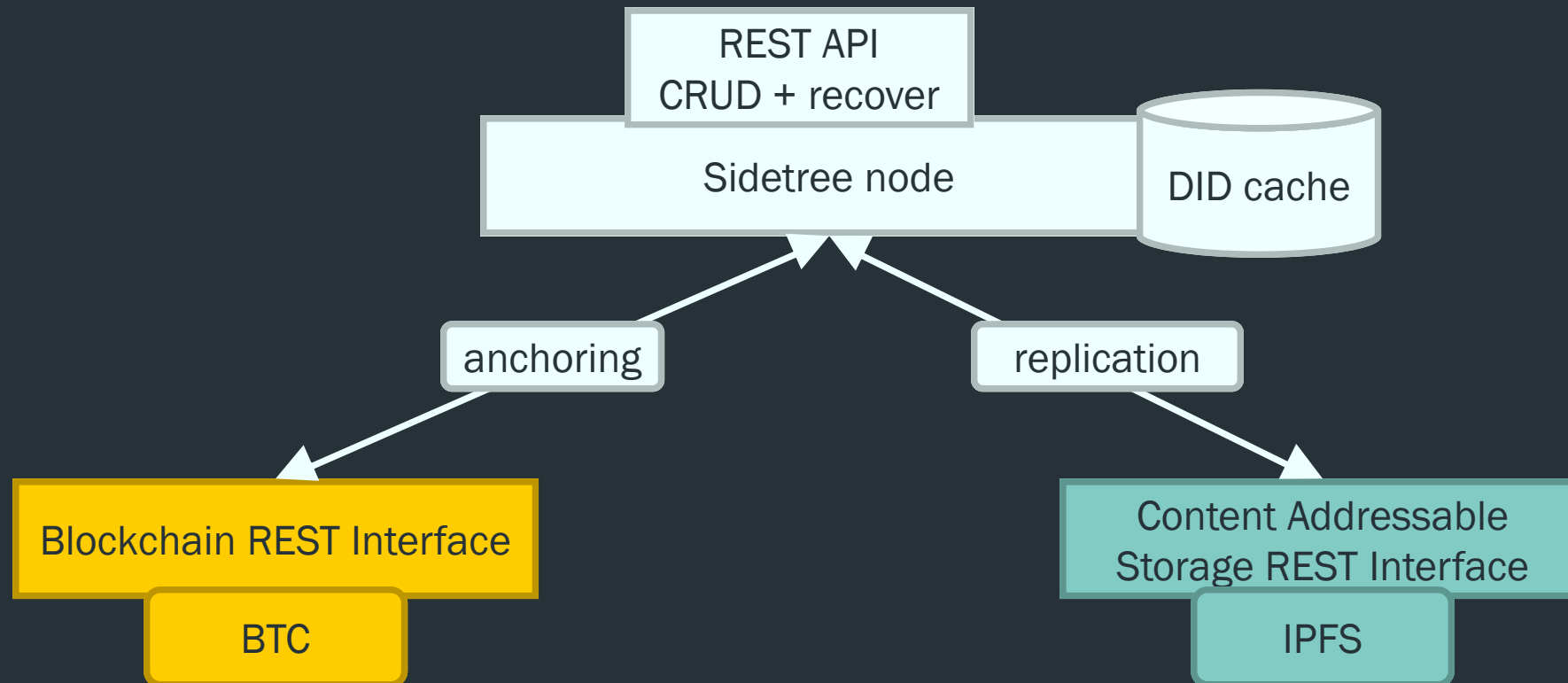
- Uniform Resource Identifier:
  - $URI = \text{scheme} : [ // \text{authority} ] \text{path} [ ? \text{query} ] [ \# \text{fragment} ]$
- Decentralized Identifier
  - $DID = \text{"did"} : \text{method-name} : \text{method-specific-id}$
  - $\text{did:sov:base58(16-byte uuid)}$
  - $\text{did:ethr:[ethr-network:]} \text{ethr-address}$
- See <https://w3c-ccg.github.io/did-method-registry>
- **DID method:** definition of implementation, including precise methods to resolve and deactivate DID, write and update DID documents
- **DID document:** data describing DID subject, including authentication mechanisms
- **DID resolver:** A system capable of retrieving a DID document for a given DID.

# DID document

```
{ "@context": "https://www.w3.org/ns/did/v1",  
  "id": "did:example:123456789abcdefghi",  
  "authentication": [{  
    "id": "did:example:123456789abcdefghi#keys-1",  
    "type": "RsaVerificationKey2018",  
    "controller": "did:example:123456789abcdefghi",  
    "publicKeyPem": "-----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY...END PUBLIC  
KEY-----\r\n"  
  }],  
  "service": [{  
    "id": "did:example:123456789abcdefghi#vcs",  
    "type": "VerifiableCredentialService",  
    "serviceEndpoint": "https://example.com/vc/"  
  }]  
}
```

# ION – Identity Overlay Network

- [ION] is a public and permissionless instantiation of sidetree [SdT] on bitcoin:





# Sovrin - did:sov:

- Public and permissioned service based on Indy  
<https://github.com/hyperledger/indy-node>
  - [RBFT] consensus <https://github.com/hyperledger/indy-plenum>
  - [BLS] signatures for consensus (aggregation)
  - [CL] signatures for credentials
  - Claim: anonymous credentials to prove predicates about selected attributes
    - Credential schema on ledger contains attributes (integers)  $\{m_j\}$
    - Verifier asks Holder for proof that some  $m_k \{<, =, >\} t$
    - Holder presents unlinkable proof
    - Use case: proof of legal age

# indy - issues

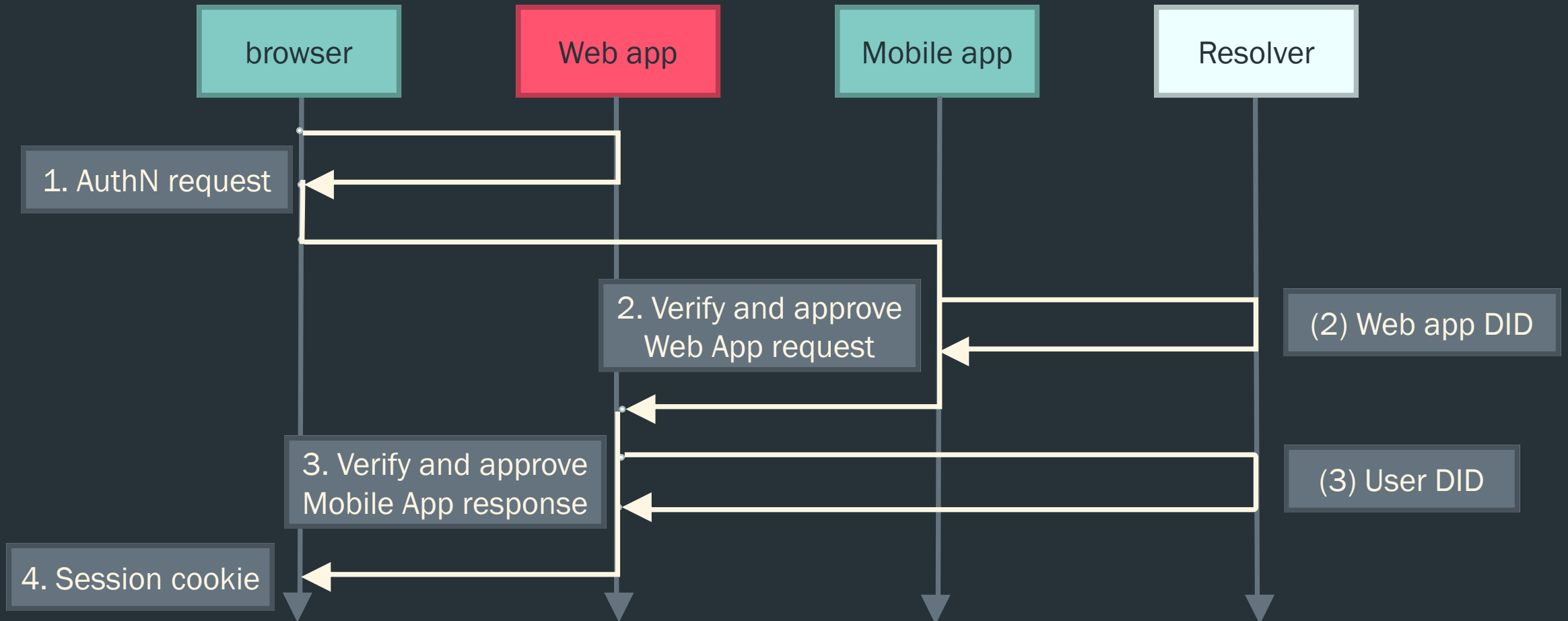
- Interoperability of credentials
- Immutable schemas
- [Permissioning](#) – users cannot create own DID without endorser, endorser can deactivate DID (no updates)
- Pricing, e.g. Sov:

DID Write	\$10
Schema	\$50
Credential Definition	\$25
Revocation Registry	\$20
Revocation Update	\$0.10

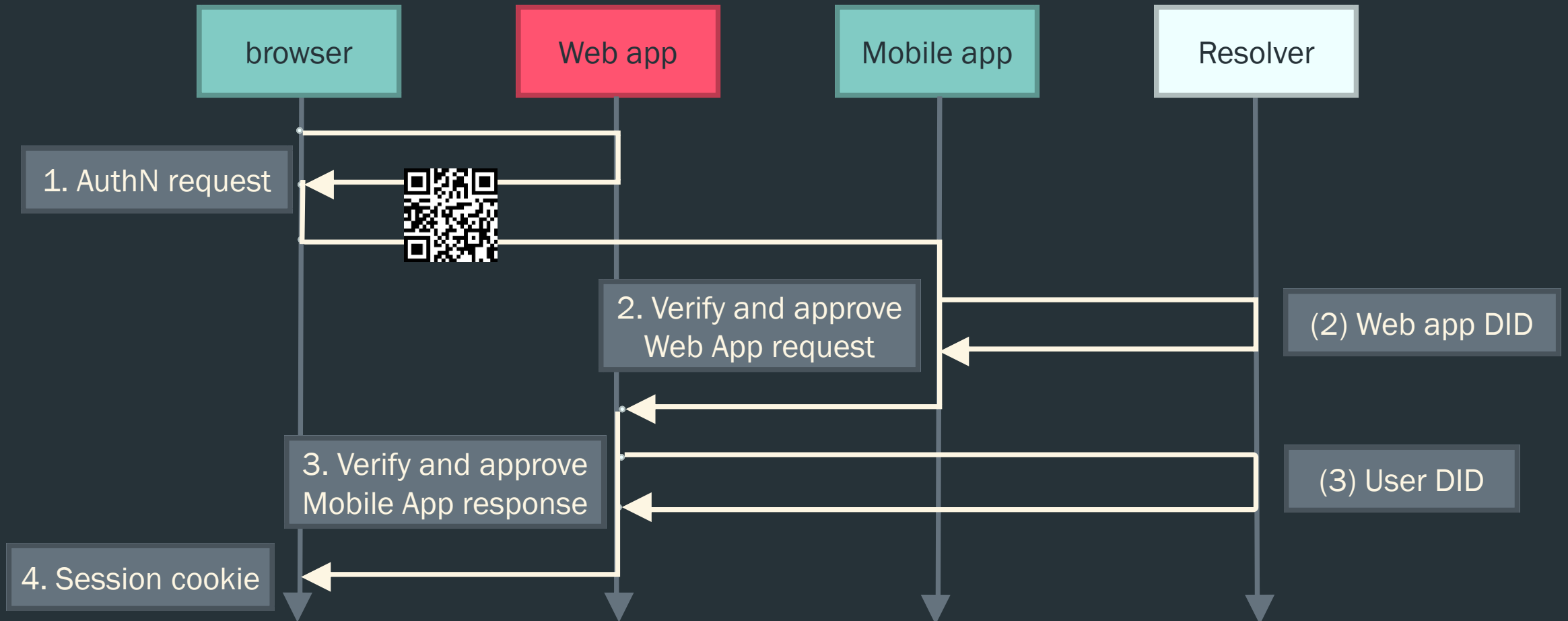
# uPort

- `did:ethr:[ethr-network:]ethr-address`
- Any Ethereum address is automatically a valid DID and owner
- Ethereum Registry Contract [ERC 1056](#) deployed to networks: registry for key and attribute management
- [ethr-did-resolver](#) to CRUD DID
- Unpredictable and significant transaction costs: chain is used as a registry of keys but verification is off-chain, if possible

# [DID-auth] - OIDC



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# DID is a WIP

- Authentication
  - *No established protocol yet*
- Recovery
  - *No authority can issue new authenticators for DID if lost. Key rotation, delegation control, and recovery are critical (compare with gvt-issued eID).*
  - *Shamir secret sharing?*
- Trust
  - *Can we tie DID to eID effectively while respecting privacy?*
- Governance
  - *Should DID creation be permissioned?*
  - *Should there be identity proofing on creation?*
  - *Should there be security vetting of client software trusted to facilitate DID creation?*

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