

Authentication :-

Identity of a user

Authorization :-

It means whether the user has certain rights to perform any actions (or) to access an application

or not once the Authentication is successful

Bindings :-

- ① HTTP post
- ② HTTP redirect
- ③ HTTP Artifact

HTTP Post :-

It will transmit SAML response & request message within an HTML form.

* used for trusted session b/w IDP & SP

HTTP Redirect :-

Mostly used to redirect SAML action request from SP to IDP

* It will send COA pass responses

HTTP Artifact :-

It will send dummy msg and then sends an response

* It must used when reactor & responder has direct communication.

separate binding soap (Simple Object Access Protocol)

Onboarding (or) Integrating an Application with SAML

1. Entity ID
2. ACS URL
3. User attributes which needs to be pass to SP.
4. Certificate (not mandatory) [only used when SLO]
5. Groups (or) AD Groups which we have to allow the access to an application.

SSO - single sign on

It is an authentication process that allows an users to securely authenticate to multiple apps & websites using only one set of credentials.

Is SAML uses SSO?

SAML enables SSO, which implies that user can log in to multiple apps with only one set of credentials and same can be reused to log in to other SP.

SLO (single logout) (APP Session & Okta Session)

→ It will kill current session and sends to URL to which SLO is set



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What is SAML & how does it work?

SAML - Security Assertion Markup Language

It is an open standard used for authentication. It is in XML format (Extensible Markup Language).

* Web application uses SAML to transfer authentication data b/w two parties. b/w Identity provider (IdP) & Service provider (SP).

Works:-

SAML works by exchanging user information such as login, authentication state, identifiers and other relevant attributes b/w the identity and service provider.

* It simplifies and secures the authentication process as the user only needs to log in once with a single set of authentication credentials.

Benefits:-

* It improves the user experience as we only need to sign in once to access multiple web apps.

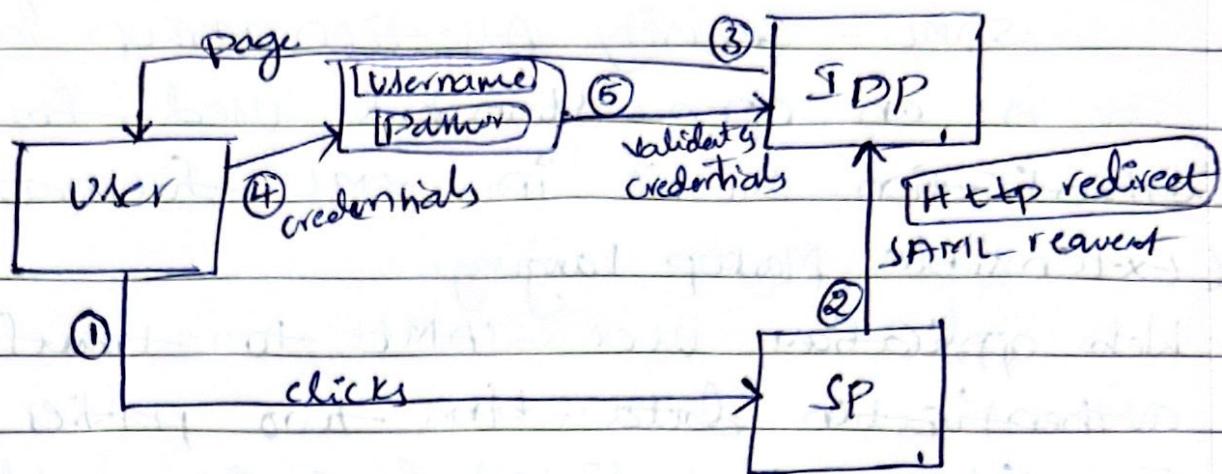
* It speeds up the authentication process.

* It saves our time by decreasing help desk calls for password resets.

* It increases security solutions as MFA.

* better user experience.

SP to IDP flow :-



1. User hits the Sp url on browser
2. Sp will redirect to IDP by SAML authentication request if session is not found
3. IDP will throw an login page to user through browser.
4. Login page opens with username & password
5. User has provide the credentials
6. The credentials will be validated in IDP if the credentials which are given are correct then authentication is success
- * Session will generate and check for an authorization.
7. Then SAML assertion has been posted to ACS URL (Assertion consumer service) upon successful authentication & Authorization.

IDP to SP flow:-

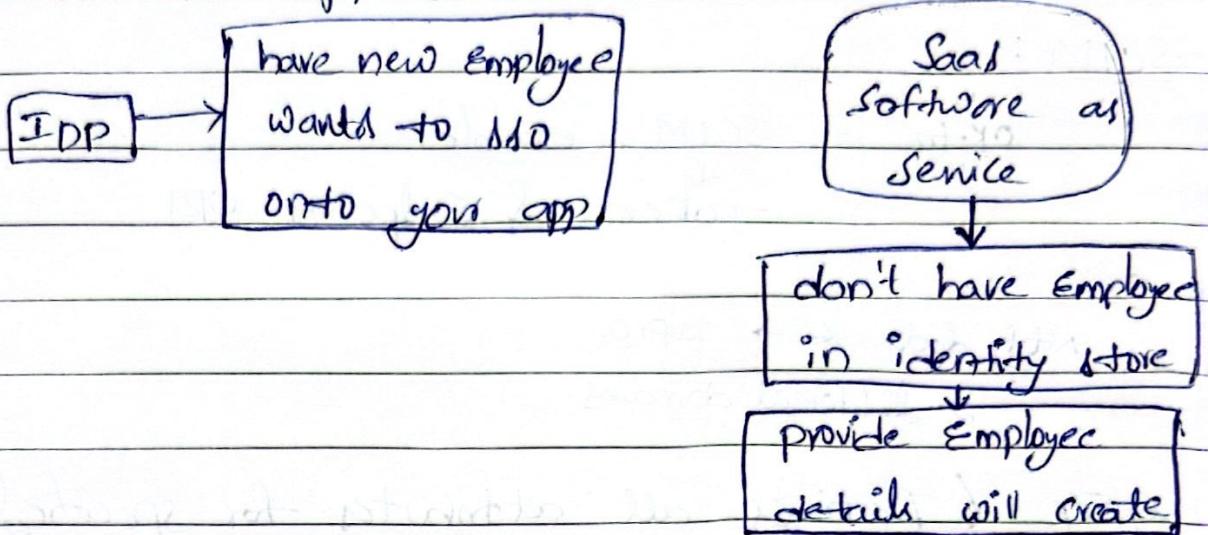
1. user clicks on IDP (SSO) url
2. IDP will through login page with an username & password.
3. user has to provide credentials.
4. credentials are validated in IDP & If given credentials are correct - then authentication is success & session will generate.
5. SAML Assertion has been posted to ACS upon successful Authentication & Authorization

Assertion contains:

- ① User Attributes (F.Name , L.Name , Email, address etc).
- ② Entity ID
- ③ IdP url , ACS url
- ④ Certificate.

provisioning :-

provisioning technology creates, modifies, disables and deletes user accounts and their profiles across IT infrastructure and business applications.



3 kinds of user provisioning

1. JIT (Just in Time) provisioning
2. outbound provisioning
3. SCIM (Simple cloud identity management)
(System for cross domain identity management)

JIT provisioning (sp side)

At the time of SAML assertion user will be created using assertion information.
* have to map required attributes into repository.

database	first name	↔	user-firstname
LDAP	email	↔	user-email
AD			

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Outbound provisioning :- (IDP side)

- * They maintain separate database internally
- * keeps user data synchronized b/w the organization and hosted SaaS application.

SCIM :-

Okta - SCIM enable

→ Token & Endpoint URL

Ex

NIT data \leftrightarrow Wipro

2 different domains

GET (Retrieves all attributes for specified resource)

POST (Sends user attributes to create a new resource)

PUT (Updates or replaces an existing resource)

DELETE (Deletes or disables a resource)

minimum field to make it effective

configuration minimum password length and max password age

maximum password age and maximum password age after password change

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OAuth

- 1) It is open standard authorization protocol
- 2) passes access token

OpenId

- 1) It is used for authentication & authorization on top of OAuth
- 2) parses access token & ID token

JWT token - JSON Web Token

ID token - user authentication details

Access token - user authorization details
(what type or role)

SAML

- 1) uses XML to pass msgs
- 2) SAML is geared towards clients security
- 3) It drops a session cookie in a browser that allows a user to access certain page
- 4) used for short-lived work days

OAuth

- 1) uses Json
- 2) It provides simpler mobile experience
- 3) It uses API calls extensively, which is why mobile apps, modern Web apps, game console etc.,
- 4) It gives better experiences to users.
- 5) Access token has key lifetime
- 6) If we want to use refresh token using Matrikas refresh .

OAuth:-

- * It is an open standard authorization protocol
- (or) framework - that enables a third party apps to obtain limited access to an http services
- * OAuth doesn't share password data but instead uses authorization tokens to prove an identity b/w consumers & sp

OAuth Roles :-

Resource owner:- An Entity that grants access to protected resource [End user]

Resource Server:- Server hosting the protected resources. This is an API want to access

client:- Application requesting access to a protected resource on behalf of the resource owner.

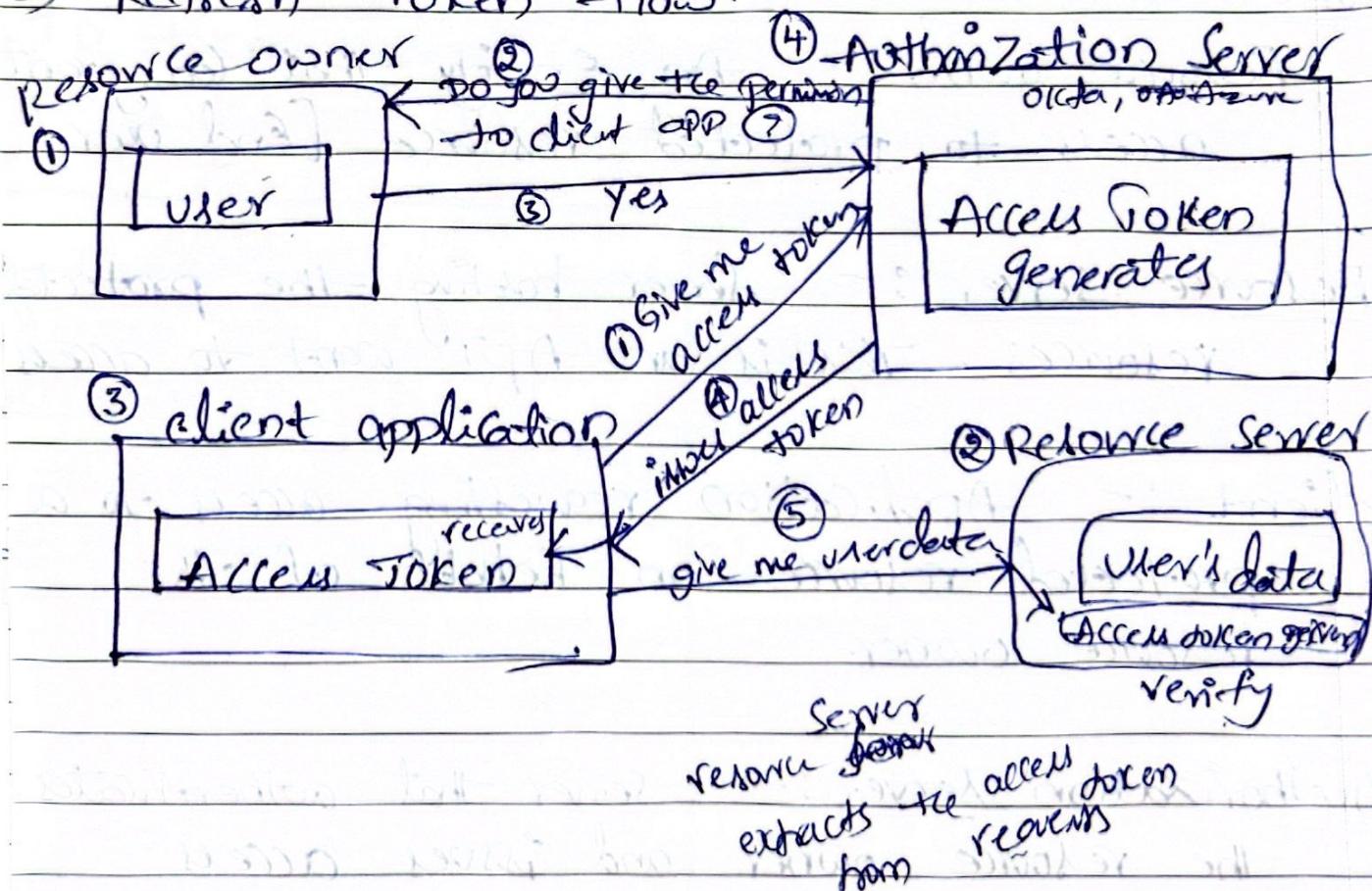
Authorization server:- Server that authenticates the resource owner and issues access token after getting proper authorization

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Authorization Grant types:-

We can choose grant types based on the application (which is suitable for app).

- 1) Authorization code flow
- 2) Implicit flow
- 3) Resource owner password credentials flow
- 4) Client credentials flow
- 5) Refresh Token flow.



Authorization code flow

* used for most web & mobile app scenarios, that want to call REST Web services.

- * uses the user agent to transport an intermediate code, which is then exchanged for OAuth token

Implicit code flow

* Where client is not able to safely hide the client secret (ex-client side javascript app)

- * uses user agent to transport tokens

Resource owner password credentials flow

* When app need to control the own login page

- * exchanges a user/pw combination for token.

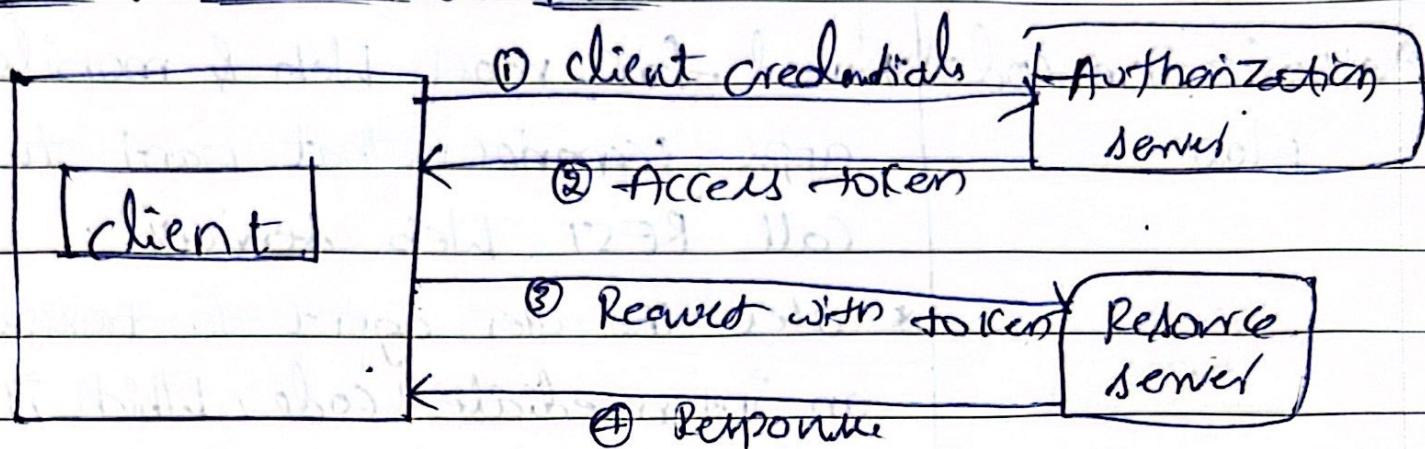
client credentials flow

* When an user is not involved access token only required for a service to call a REST web service

- * exchanges client credentials for an access token.

It will not ask for user credentials
directly login, /

Client credentials flow :-

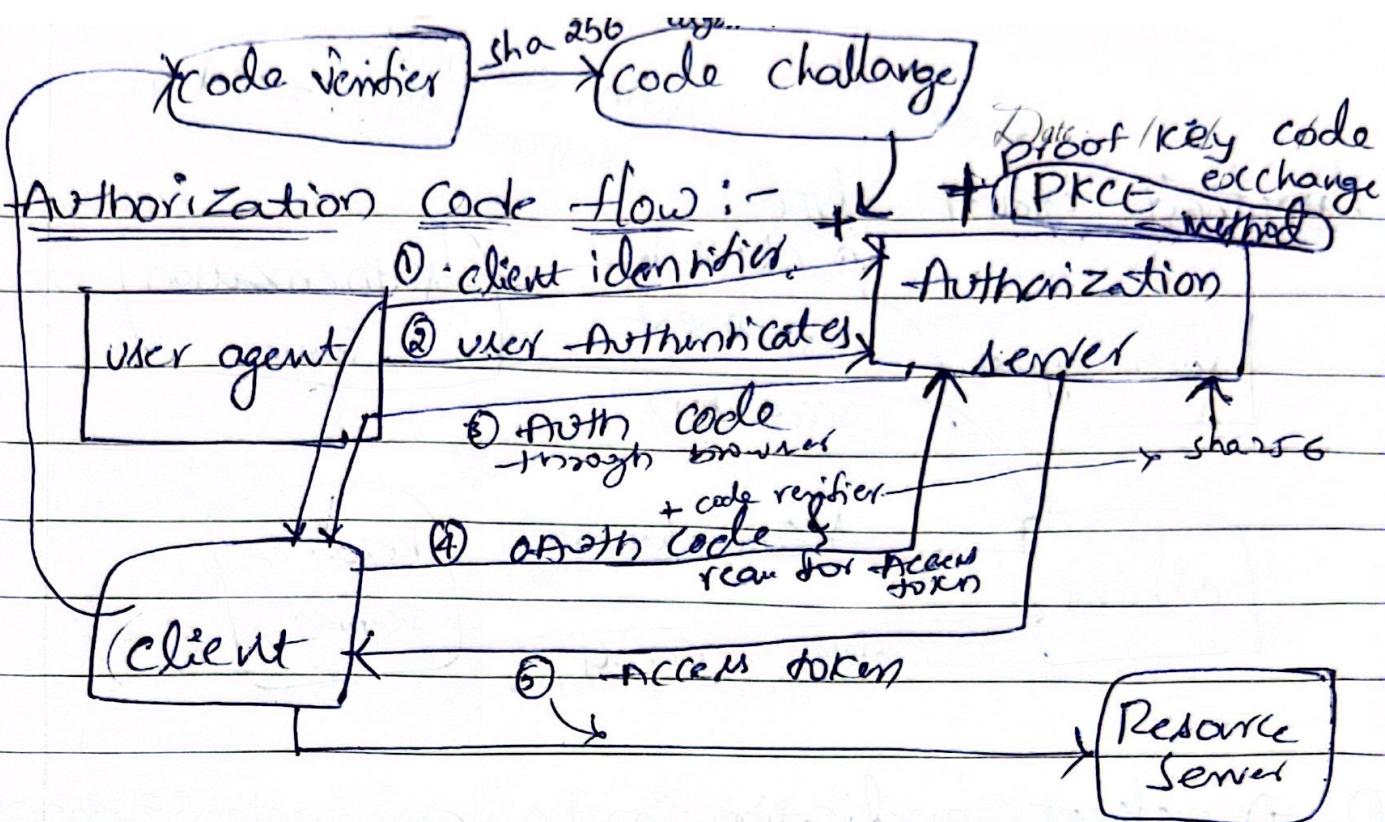


① Server-to-Server communication.

② Machine-to-Machine communication

- * client provides client credentials (client ID) to Okta (Authorization server)
- * Okta validates the client credentials and generates a access token.
- * It will also evaluate any required policies around the token space.
- * client provides the token in a HTTP headers when making a request to the Resource Server.
- * Resource server validates the token and processes the request if valid.

client token URL
client token URL



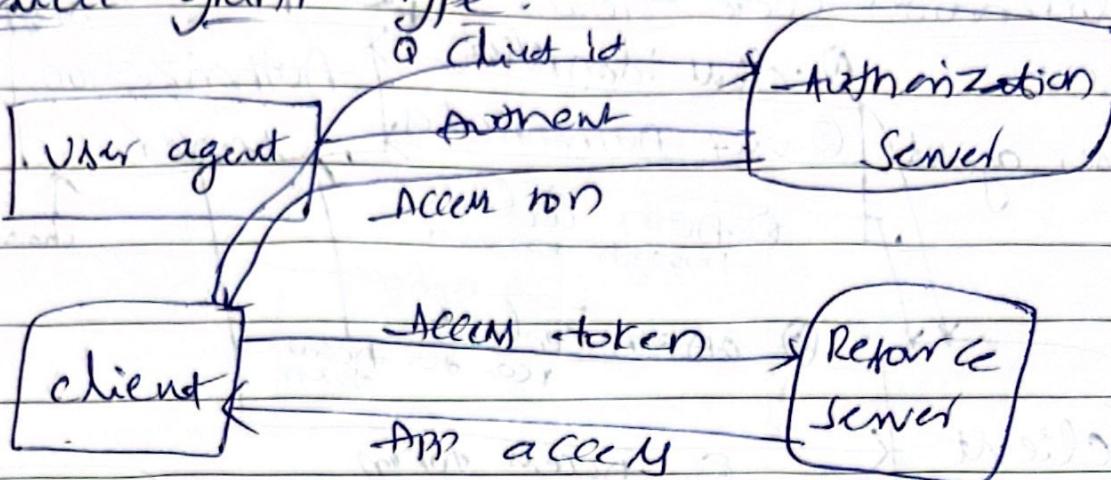
- * It obtains both access token & refresh token.
- * A client application makes an authorization request to an auth server + code challenge.
- * Auth server sends auth code to client through browser (user agent).
- * Client sends the auth code to auth server for requests for access token.
- * Auth server validates auth code & gives access token.
- * Sends access token to Resource server and access to app.

Code verifier: It is a random value generated by client.

- * User request to authorization code to authorization server via user agent.

Auth endpoint
response type = token
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Implicit grant type :-



- ① A client application makes an authorization request to an Authorization Server.
- ② Authorization server provides Access token to the user via browser.
- ③ Client then provides access token to resource server and uses the app.

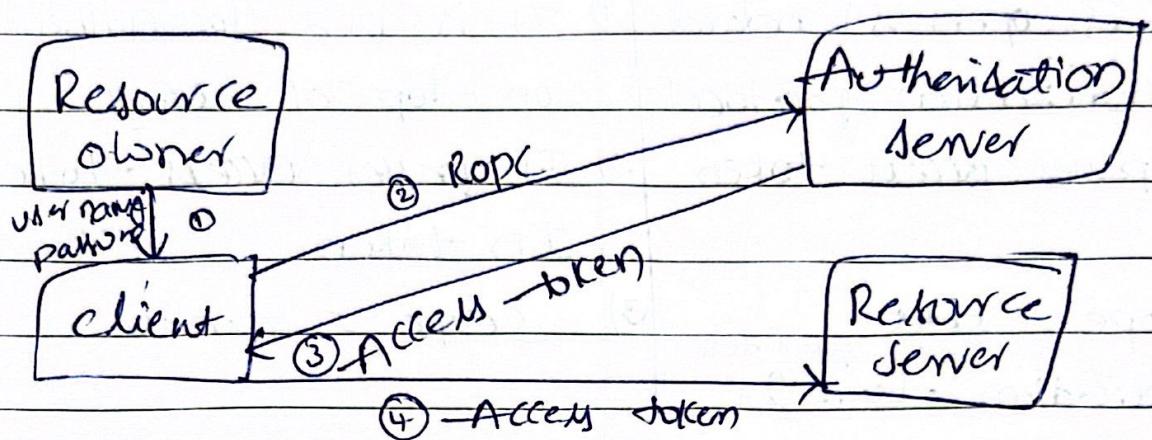
1) Client application makes an authorization request redirecting to the user via browser.

2) The redirect contains attributes:

- Auth code
 - 1) customization code endpoint
 - 2) client_id
 - 3) response_type = code (or token)
 - 4) scope
 - 5) redirect URL - application redirect URL
- auth code post - token endpoint URL

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Resource owner password credentials :-



- * This is suitable in case where the resource owner has a trust relationship with client
- * It can be used only when other flows are not available - there are details (only)

- 1) Resource owner provides the client with its user name & password
- 2) client request access token by using client credentials.
- 3) If client authenticates with it then it issues the access token.

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- 2) It passes access token
- 3) scope = edit
(application team) ^{will tell}

Open ID

- 1) It is used for authentication on top of OAuth.
- 2) It passes access token & ID token.
- 3) scope = openid

ID Token

- 1) Assume the user is authorized
- 2) Get user profile data

Access token

- * Call on API
- * check if the client is allowed to access something
- * Inspect its content on the server side

If decodedID

```
Header { alg : RS256
         typ : JWT
     }
```

Access

```
Header { alg : RS256
         typ : JWT
         kid : M0c... .
     }
```

Payload {

```
issuer : http://
subject : auth
audien : 123
exp : 1511
iat : 1000
```

Payload {

```
issuer : http://
sub : M0c...
aud : http://
iat : 1621 Matrikas
exp : 1000
```

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name : John Doe

given_name : John

family_name : Doe

scope : create-term,

update-term

gty : author-code

Signature:

{

RSA SHA256 (

base encode (Header)
" " (Payload)

} Secret

(Key id)

Signature:

{

RSA SHA256

base encode (Header)
" " (Payload)

} Secret

Kid: optional in header claim.

* which holds a key identifier

* particularly useful when you have multiple keys to sign - the tokens & you need to look up the right one to verify the signature

Life cycle management :-

* Every object has its own life cycle

