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- Broad lateral movement
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credential attack

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protocol-specific

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OAuth 2.0

De facto standard for web app authorization and access to resources (data)



The New Web: redirects user to authenticate...

3rd-Party Website(apps)

Authentication

The diagram illustrates a flow from a 3rd-party website to a payment provider's authentication page. A blue rounded rectangle surrounds the first two pages, while a blue arrow points from the second page to the third.

3rd-Party Website(apps) (Left):

- 1 Item
- Cart Subtotal: \$229.99
- CHECKOUT NOW** button
- Product image: REP Sabre Olympic Bar - 20 kg
- Price: \$229.99
- Quantity: Qty: 1
- Remove link
- VIEW AND EDIT CART** button

PAYMENT METHOD (Middle):

- Credit Card
- PayPal

Pay with PayPal button

Apply Discount Code and **Apply Gift Card** links

Authentication Page (Right):

Log in to your PayPal account
paypal.com/checkoutnow?locale.x=en_US&fundingSource=paypal...

Pay with PayPal section:

Enter your email or mobile number to get started.

Email or mobile number input field

Forgot email?

Next button

or

Checkout as Guest button

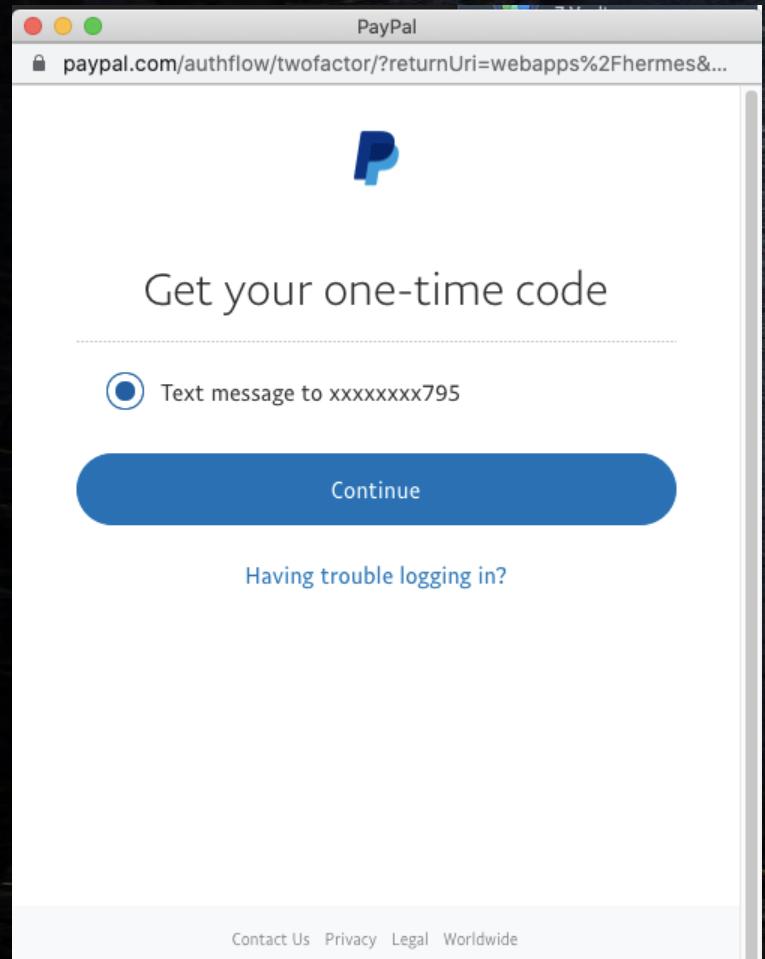
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The New Web: user approves/consents...

Authentication



PayPal

paypal.com/authflow/twofactor/?returnUri=webapps%2Fhermes&...

Get your one-time code

Text message to xxxxxxxx795

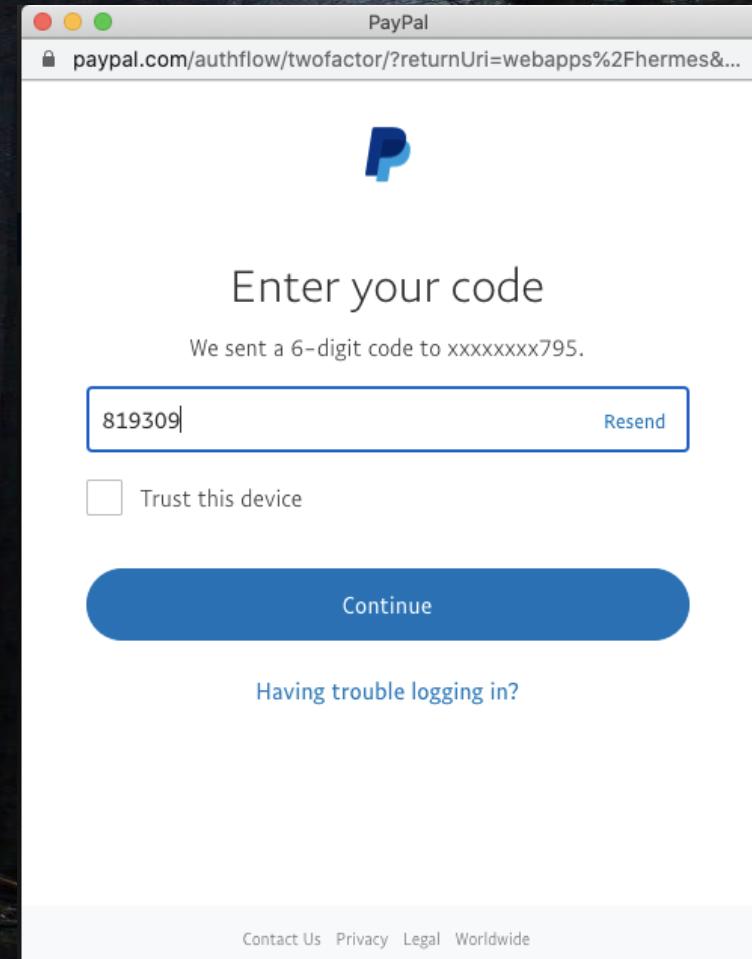
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Having trouble logging in?

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This screenshot shows the first step of a two-factor authentication process. It displays the PayPal logo and URL. The main instruction is "Get your one-time code". A radio button is selected for "Text message to xxxxxxxx795". A large blue "Continue" button is prominent at the bottom.

Authentication



PayPal

paypal.com/authflow/twofactor/?returnUri=webapps%2Fhermes&...

Enter your code

We sent a 6-digit code to xxxxxxxx795.

819309

Trust this device

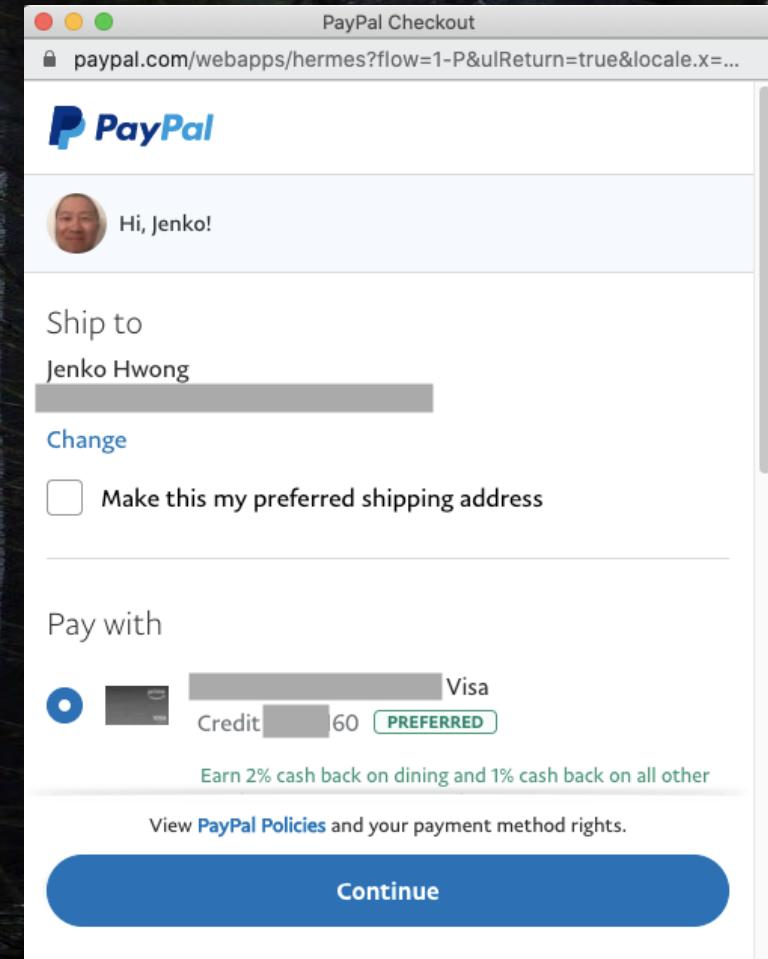
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This screenshot shows the second step of the two-factor authentication process. It asks the user to enter the received code "819309". There is an option to "Trust this device" with an unchecked checkbox. A large blue "Continue" button is at the bottom.

Authorization



PayPal Checkout

paypal.com/webapps/hermes?flow=1-P&uiReturn=true&locale.x=...

Hi, Jenko!

Ship to
Jenko Hwong

Change

Make this my preferred shipping address

Pay with

Visa
Credit 60 PREFERRED

Earn 2% cash back on dining and 1% cash back on all other

View PayPal Policies and your payment method rights.

Continue

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This screenshot shows the first step of a PayPal checkout process. It greets the user "Hi, Jenko!" and asks to "Ship to Jenko Hwong". There is an option to "Change" the recipient. Below, it shows the selected payment method as "Visa Credit 60 PREFERRED". It also mentions cashback offers and links to policies. A large blue "Continue" button is at the bottom.

A New Class of Phishing Attacks

Microsoft Device Code Flow^[1]

[1] [Introducing a new phishing technique for compromising Office 365 accounts](#), Dr. Nestori Syynimaa

Chrome File Edit View History Bookmarks Profiles Tab Window Help

Sign in to your account

login.microsoftonline.com/common/oauth2/authorize?client_id=4345a7b9-9a63-4...

Attacker

attacker-host:~ \$ clear

Exploiting OAuth ion Flows

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Notes Comments

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The image shows a Microsoft sign-in page in a browser window and a terminal window on the right. The browser window displays the Microsoft logo and a 'Sign in' form with fields for 'Email, phone, or Skype' and 'Next' button. Below the form is a 'Sign-in options' link. The terminal window on the right has a dark background and shows the command 'clear' being run, resulting in a blank screen.

The New Web: Phishing Attack: Device Code Flow

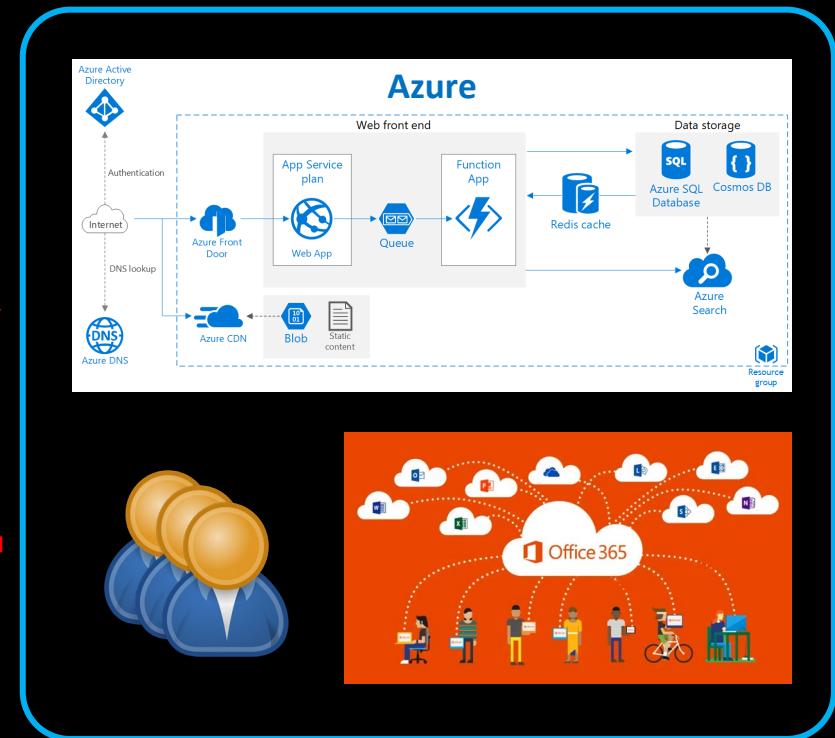
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Authorization



Cloud Data, Compute, Users



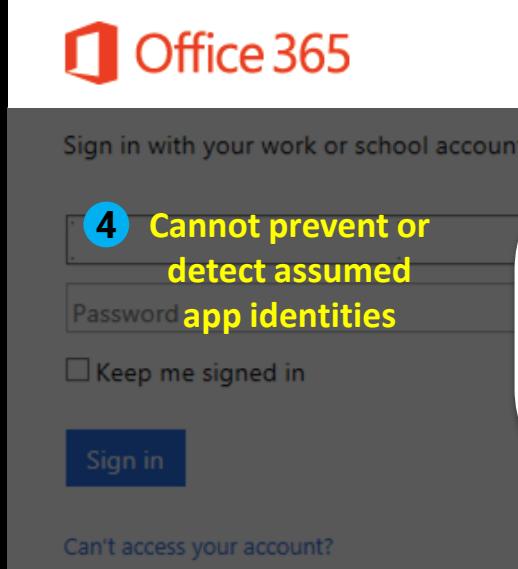
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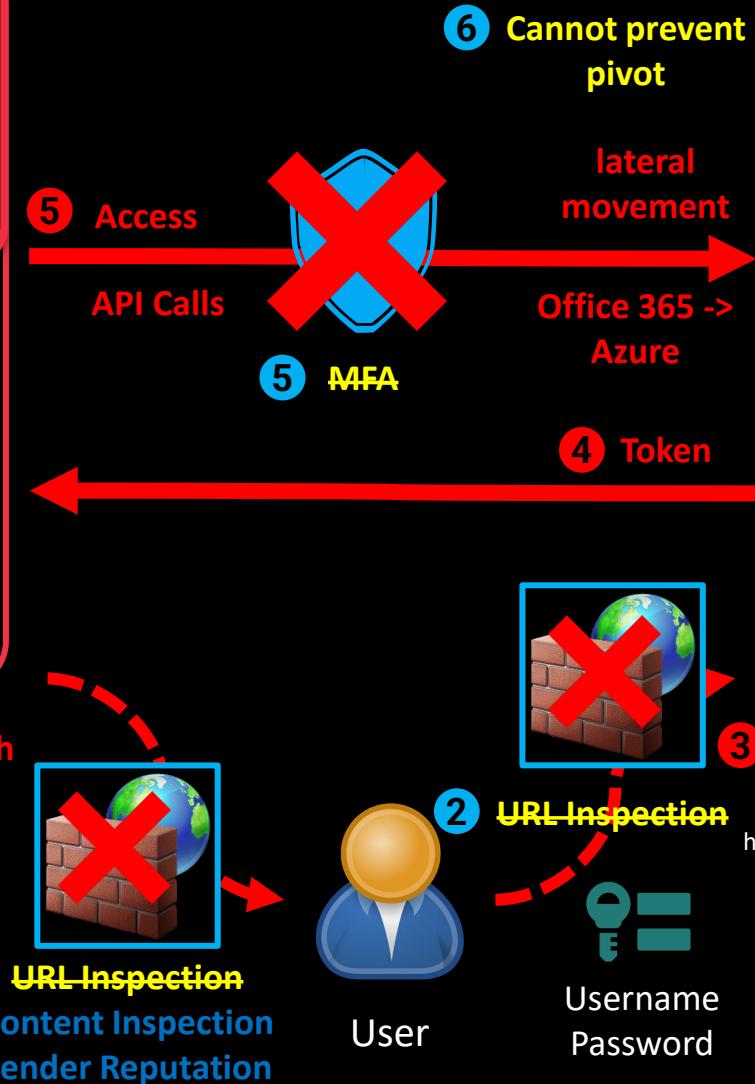
Azure

The New Web: OAuth Defenses are Lacking

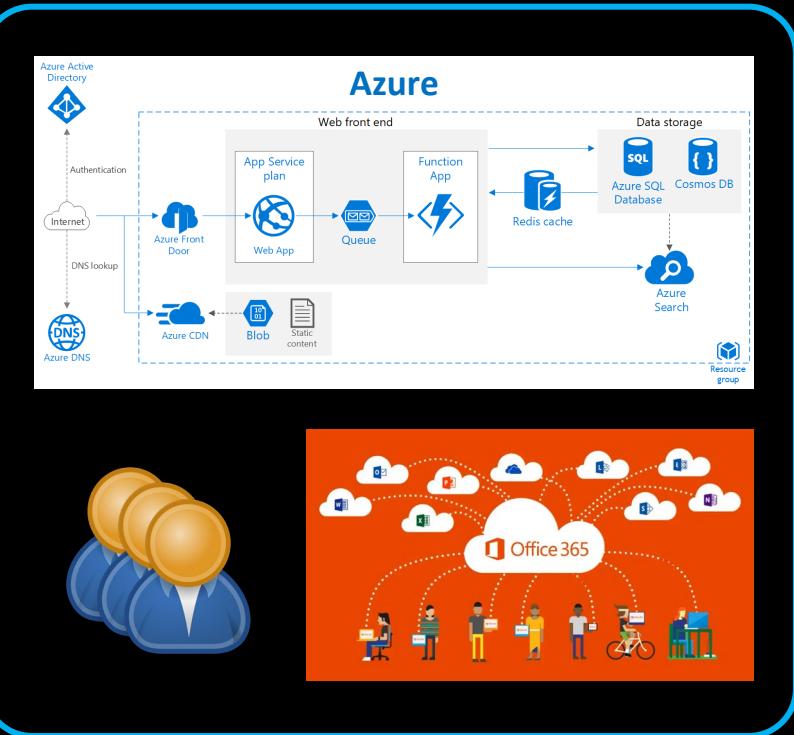
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Azure

- ③ Cannot force approvals

- ⑦ SecOps
- Bypass of approved app lists
 - Pivot is not logged
 - Revoke tokens incomplete
 - Tokens are permanent

What can we do about it?

- **Security Operations**
- **Proactive Measures**



Protecting your crucial assets took draconian measures.



*In 621 B.C., Draco attempted to deter criminal activity by passage of an extremely harsh code that made even minor offenses such as **stealing cabbage punishable by death**.^[1]*

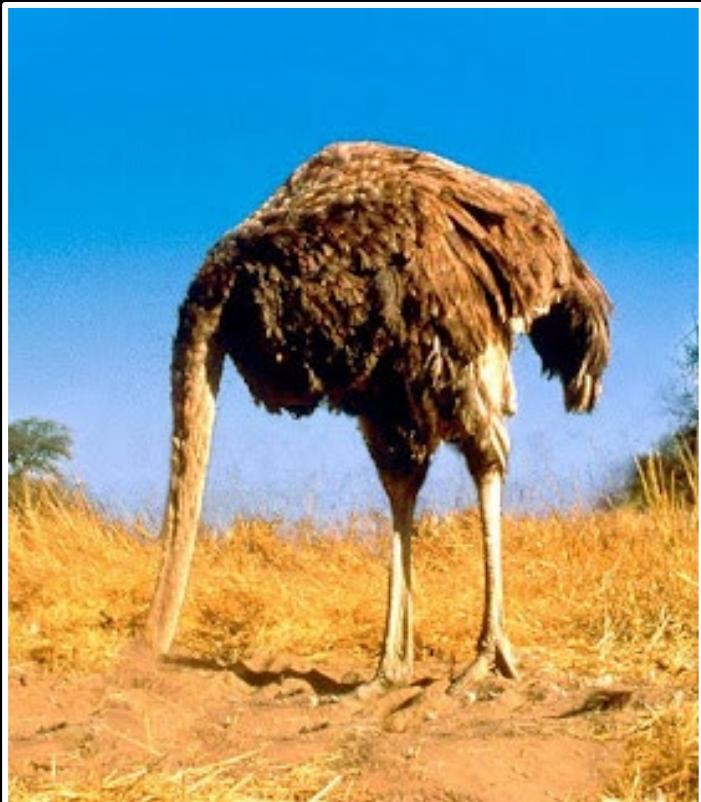
[1] J. David Hirschel, William O. Wakefield. Criminal Justice in England and the United States. Ed. Greenwood Publishing Group, 1995. ISBN 9780275941338. p.160.

Protecting your crucial assets **takes draconian measures.**



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Security Operations

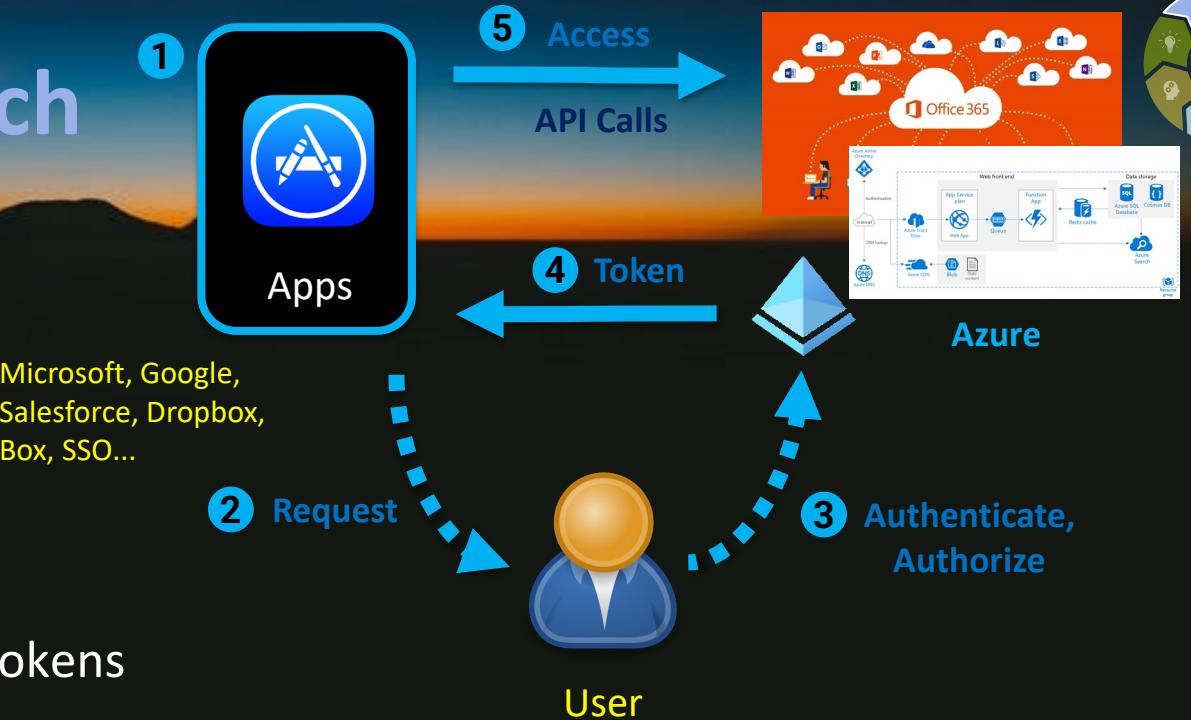
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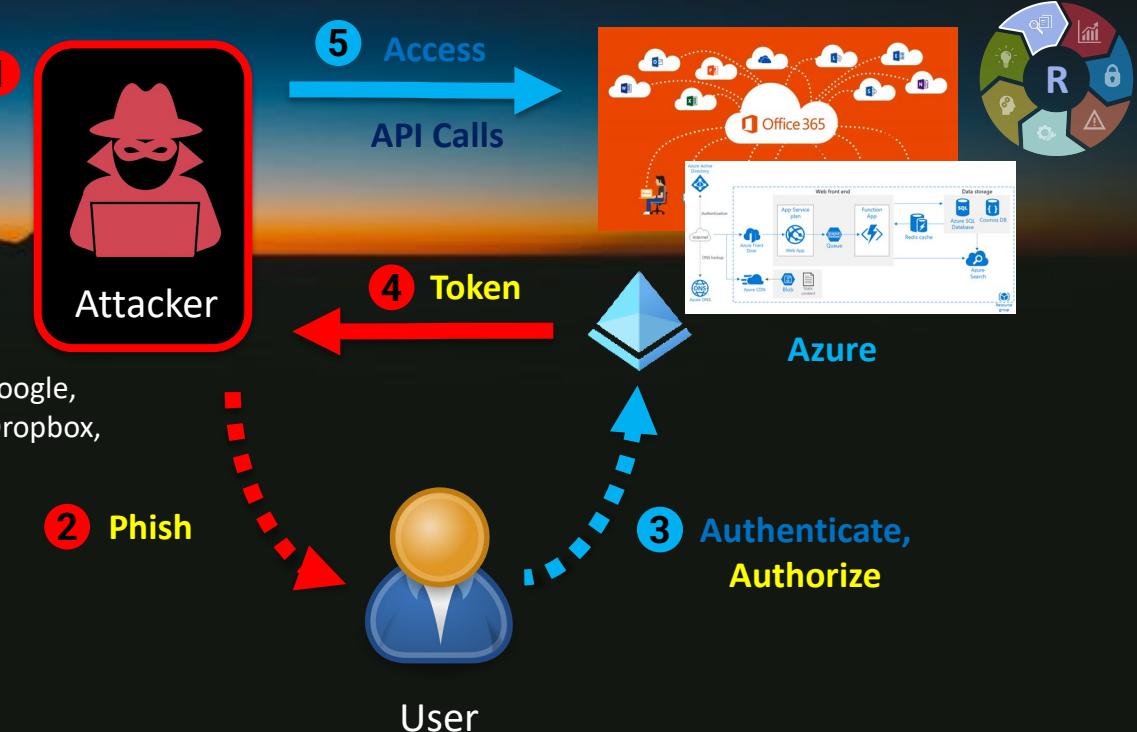
Proactive Measures: Research



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 - Challenges: MFA bypass, **not** temporary, unmanaged, logging limited, prevention/detection difficult, revocation challenging, can leverage existing processes but controls differ
 - Non-phishing attack vectors

The diagram illustrates a four-step attack flow:

 1. **Phish**: The Attacker sends a phishing link to the User.
 2. **Authenticate, Authorize**: The User logs in to the Azure service.
 3. **Token**: The User receives an OAuth token from the Azure service.
 4. **Attacker**: The Attacker intercepts the token and uses it to gain unauthorized access.

Legend:
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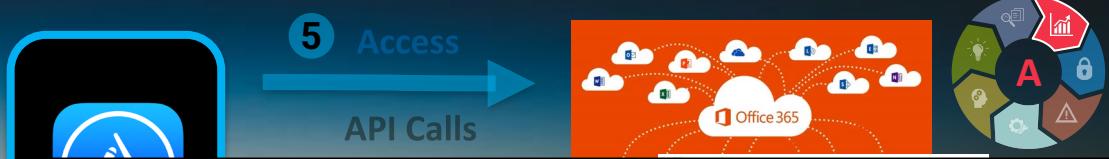
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Activity Details: Sign-ins

Basic info	Location	Device info	Authentication Details	Conditional Access	Report-only	Additional Details
Date	7/12/2021, 8:25:17 AM		User	ed Van		
Request ID	ee30da7a-0f2e-4936-b64f-00da59f11200		Username	ed@feasthealth.onmicrosoft.com		
Correlation ID	eba1a1ae-fec7-4670-b4be-d6cd063dc4b1		User ID	e731a6d2-ba0c-46f3-84bb-167f488cecda		
Authentication requirement	Multi-factor authentication		Sign-in identifier			
Status	Success		User type	Member		
Continuous access evaluation	No		Cross tenant access type	None		
			Application	Microsoft Office		
			Application ID	d3590ed6-52b3-4102-aeff-aad229ab01c		
			Resource	Microsoft Graph		
			Resource ID	00000003-0000-0000-c000-000000000000		
			Resource tenant ID	f7c94902-1b79-4c59-97b3-62503ab64e53		
			Home tenant ID	f7c94902-1b79-4c59-97b3-62503ab64e53		
			Client app	Mobile Apps and Desktop clients		
Token issuer type	Azure AD					
Token issuer name						
Latency	612ms					
Flagged for review	No					
User agent	Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/91.0.4472.114 Safari/537.36					
Date	Username	Application	IP address	Location	Windows Azure Active D...	Browser
7/14/2021, 11:30:45 AM	ed@feasthealth.onmicrosoft.com	Microsoft Office 365 Portal	Success	143.XXX.XXX.25	Sin City, Nevada, US	
7/13/2021, 12:16:30 PM	ed@feasthealth.onmicrosoft.com	Microsoft Office 365 Portal	Success	143.XXX.XXX.25	Sin City, Nevada, US	Windows Azure Active D...
7/12/2021, 8:25:17 AM	ed@feasthealth.onmicrosoft.com	Microsoft Office	Success	143.XXX.XXX.25	Sin City, Nevada, US	Microsoft Graph
7/12/2021, 12:59:17 AM	ed@feasthealth.onmicrosoft.com	Microsoft Office	Success	143.XXX.XXX.25	Sin City, Nevada, US	Microsoft Graph
						Mobile Apps and Desktop clients
						Multi-factor authentication



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- Baseline normal activity
 - Counts, Top-N, distributions

	Application	Description	# Users	% Total Users
1	Google Chrome	Chrome Browser	463,286	91.0%
2	iOS Account Manager	iOS application	183,730	36.1%
3	Zoom	Video calls	135,361	26.6%
4	Android device	Operating-system level, mobile	117,927	23.2%
5	Slack	Messaging	95,848	18.8%
6	Virtru	End-to-end encryption of email and files	63,217	12.4%
7	iOS	Operating-system level, mobile	53,334	10.5%
8	Atlassian	Jira (ticketing), Confluence (wikis)...	45,473	8.9%
9	Google Drive for desktop	Local sync client	42,585	8.4%
10	macOS	Operating-system level	31,860	6.3%
11	Adobe	Adobe Suite	28,719	5.6%
12	Pinterest	Consumer photo pinning	25,635	5.0%

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17	The New York Times	Consumer news	17,130	3.4%
21	Glassdoor	Jobs, salaries, complaints	15,175	3.0%
24	Postman	Technical tool: REST API calls...	13,125	2.6%

April 18, 2021 dataset from anonymized customers:

- 439 Google Workspace organization
- 509,079 users
- 60,875 unique applications

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Scopes	# Users	# Apps
View and manage the files in your Google Drive	168,369	3,605
Manage your calendars	113,798	1,152
View and manage your mail	107,402	3,145
View and manage Google Drive files and folders that you have opened or created with this app	84,529	755
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34,591	11,124
View and manage its own configuration data in your Google Drive	26,949	458
Manage your contacts	14,665	220
Manage mailbox labels	14,300	55
View and manage the provisioning of users on your domain	12,341	146
Manage your tasks	11,996	78

[1] Who Do You Trust? OAuth Client Application Trends: <https://www.netskope.com/blog/who-do-you-trust-oauth-client-application-trends>



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Manage your calendars
View and manage your mail
View and manage Google Drive files and folders that you own
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive
View and manage its own configuration data in your Google Cloud project
Manage your contacts
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Scopes	# Users	# Apps	Application	# Users
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Virtru	63217
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	iOS	53334
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	macOS	31860
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Lever	12991
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Microsoft apps & services	11055
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	G Suite Sync for Microsoft Outlook~Æ	8866
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	TemplateEmailService	7759
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Gmail to PDF	6543
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Untitled project	4189
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Adobe Acrobat	3155
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Boomerang for Gmail	3059
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Outreach	2991
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Project Default Service Account	2681
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Highspot	2081
View and manage your mail	107402	3145	Salesforce.com	2005

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View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	Slack	95848
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	draw.io	16882
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	LucidChart	12461
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	Zendesk	8331
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View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	Awesome Table	2220
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	SurveyMonkey	2078
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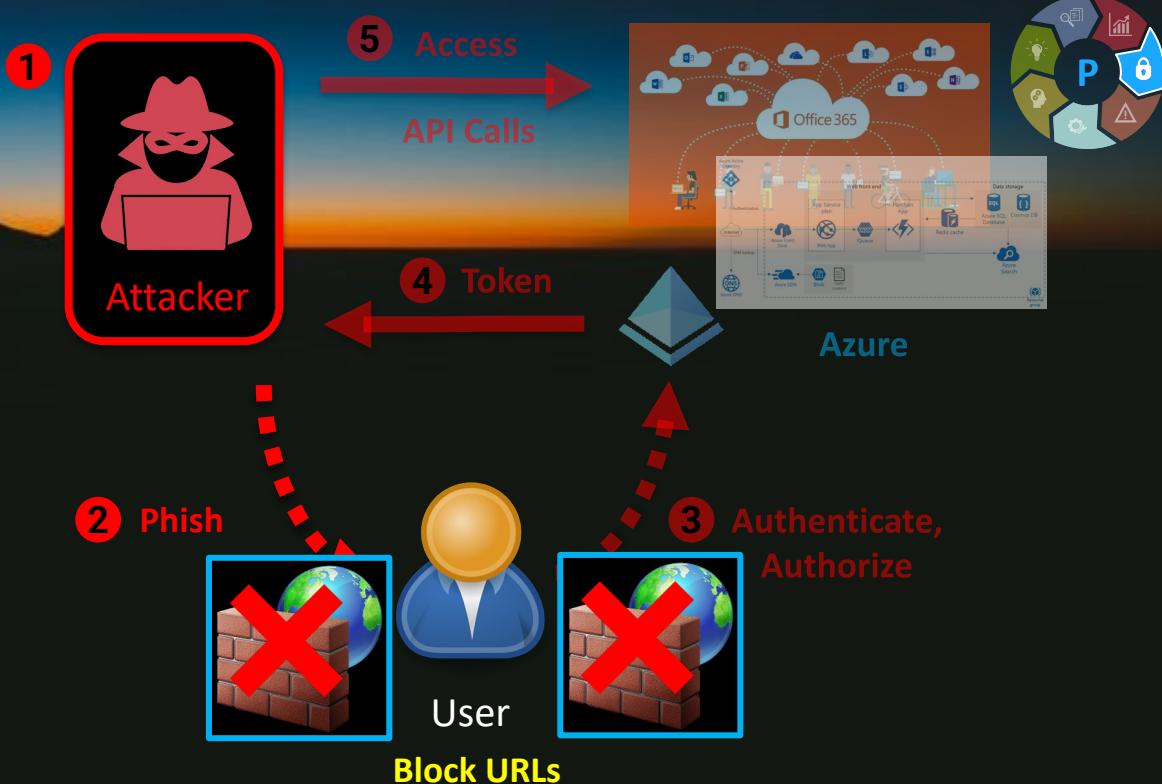


Security Operations: Prevent

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Unnecessary OAuth authorization flows e.g., device code

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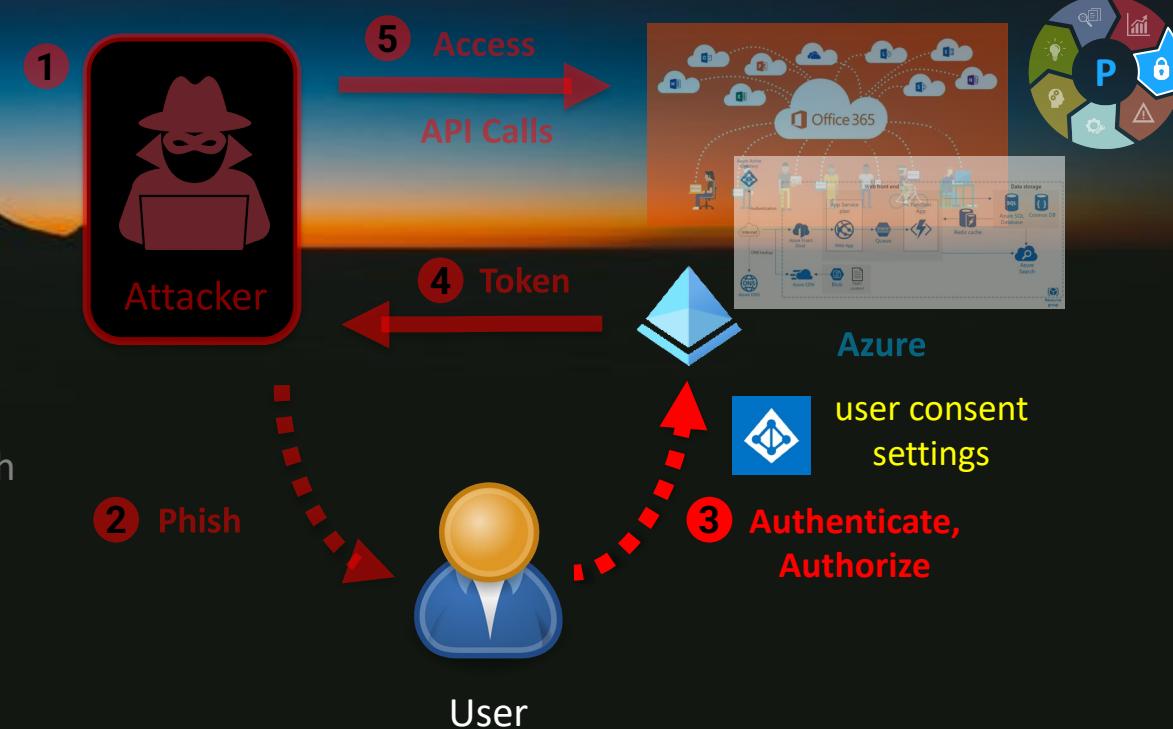
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5 Access
API Calls



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Configure user consent settings

To configure user consent settings through the Azure portal, do the following:

1. Sign in to the [Azure portal](#) as a **Global Administrator**.
2. Select **Azure Active Directory > Enterprise applications > Consent and permissions > User consent settings**.
3. Under **User consent for applications**, select which consent setting you want to configure for all users.
4. Select **Save** to save your settings.

User consent for applications

Configure whether users are allowed to consent for applications to access your organization's data.

Do not allow user consent

An administrator will be required for all apps.

Allow user consent for apps from verified publishers, for selected permissions (Recommended)

All users can consent for permissions classified as "low impact", for apps from verified publishers or apps registered in this organization.

7 permissions classified as low impact

Allow user consent for apps

All users can consent for any app to access the organization's data.

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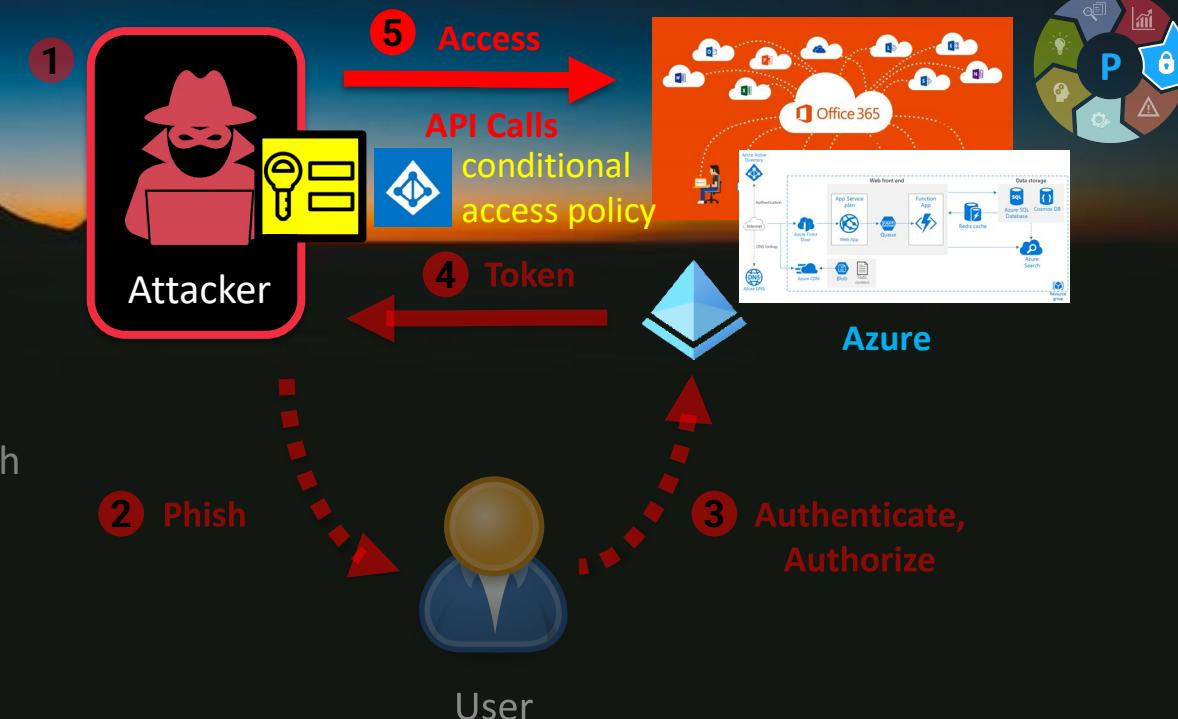
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The screenshot shows the Microsoft Azure Conditional Access - Named locations page. The URL is https://portal.azure.com/?Microsoft_AAD_IAM_security.namedLocationGps=t... . The page title is 'Conditional Access | Named locations' under 'Azure Active Directory'. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'Policies', 'Insights and reporting', 'Diagnose and solve problems', 'Manage' (with 'Named locations' highlighted in red), 'Custom controls (Preview)', 'Terms of use', 'VPN connectivity', and 'Classic policies'. Below 'Manage' are 'Troubleshooting + Support' options: 'Virtual assistant (Preview)' and 'New support request'. The main content area shows a table of named locations:

Name	Location type	Trusted
Contoso - Blocked Countries List	Countries (IP)	
Contoso - GPS Blocked Countries	Countries (GPS)	
Contoso HQ	IP ranges	Yes



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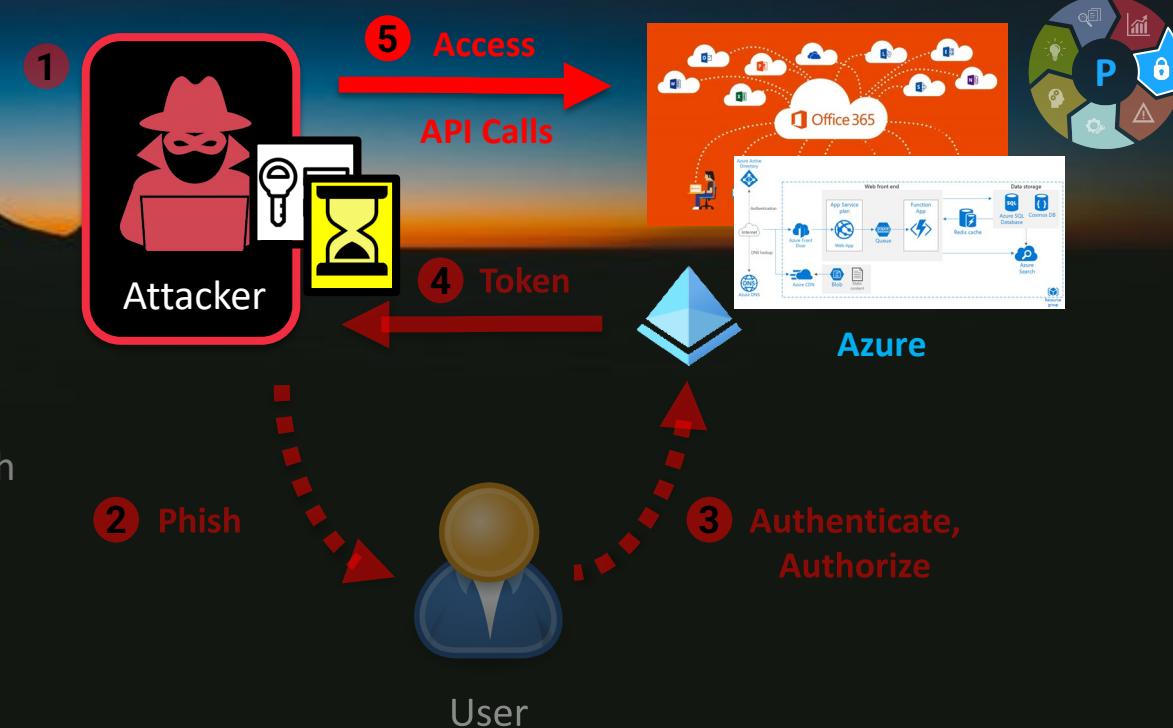
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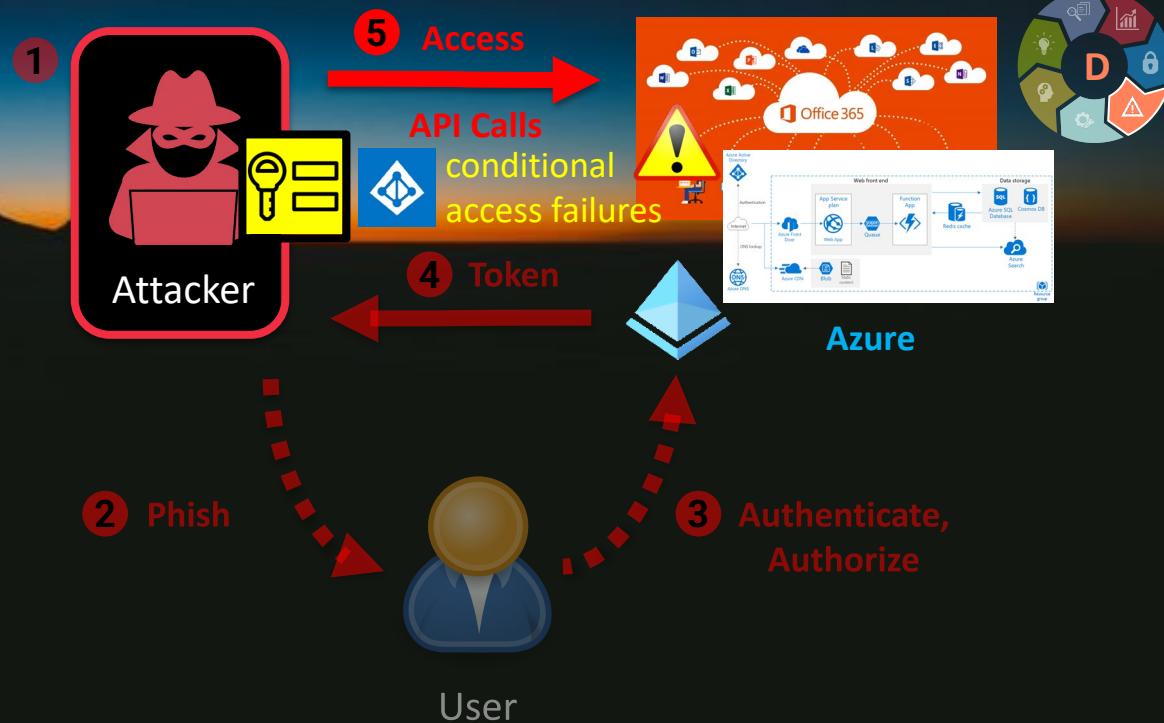
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- Session or token timeouts



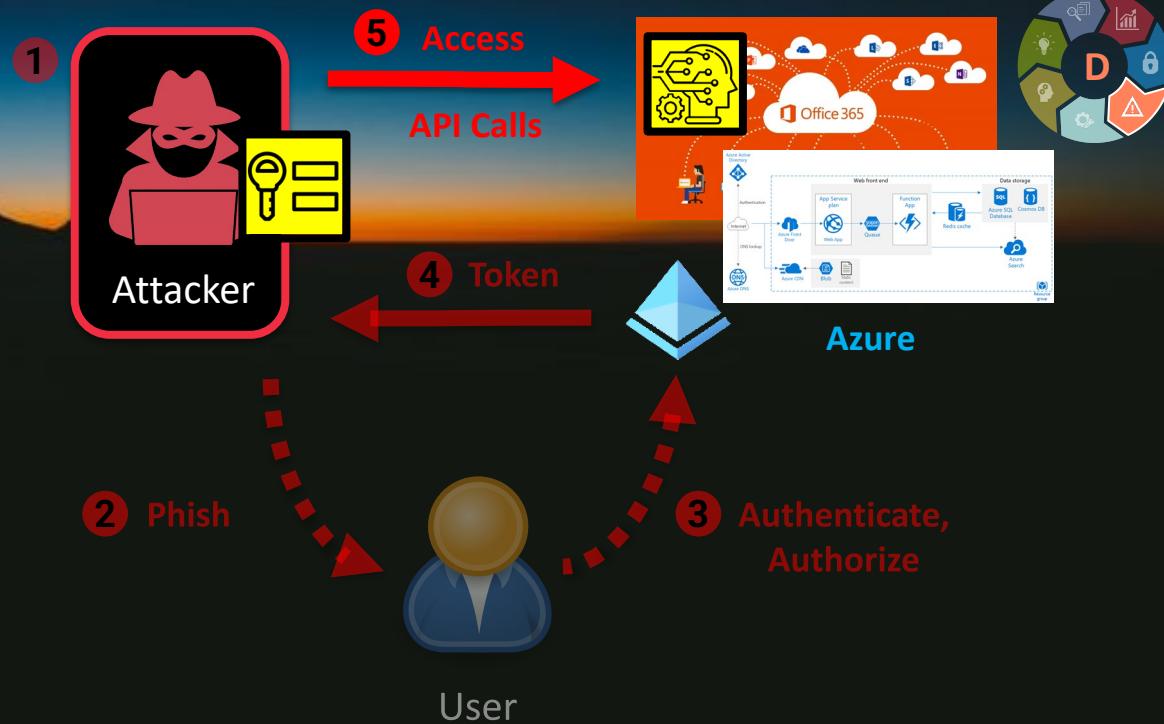
Security Operations: Detect

- Detect failed access (IP/device conditional policies)



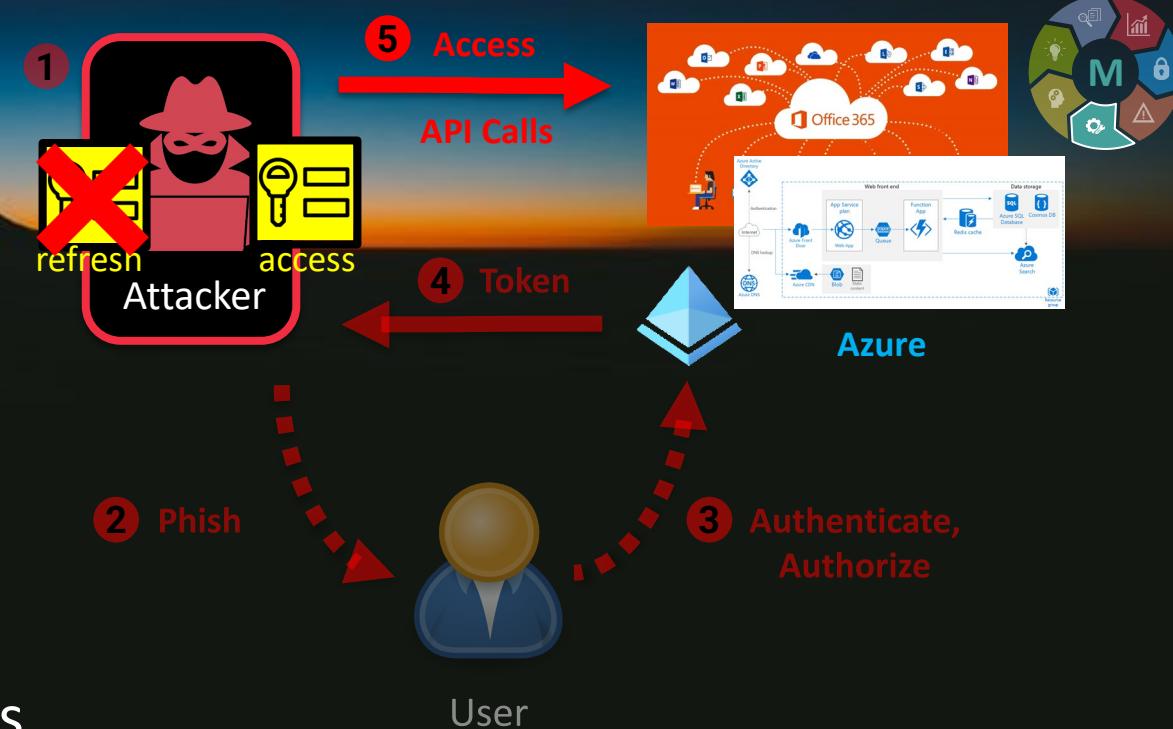
Security Operations: Detect

- Detect failed access (IP/device conditional policies)
- Behavioral detection
 - Compromised account activity
 - Abnormal or unexpected application activity
 - Track risky users (phishing targets, URL clicks, suspect app approvals)



Security Operations: Mitigate

- Update ops runbooks to address protocol-specific challenges
- Revocation of tokens is limited, confusing, and incomplete
 - Microsoft: you can revoke refresh tokens easily^[1] but not access tokens.^[2]



[1] Revoke-AzureADUserAllRefreshToken: <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/powershell/module/azuread/revoke-azureaduserallrefreshtoken?view=azureadps-2.0>

[2] Revoke user access in Azure Active Directory: <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/active-directory/enterprise-users/users-revoke-access>

[3] Continuous access evaluation: <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/active-directory/conditional-access/concept-continuous-access-evaluation>

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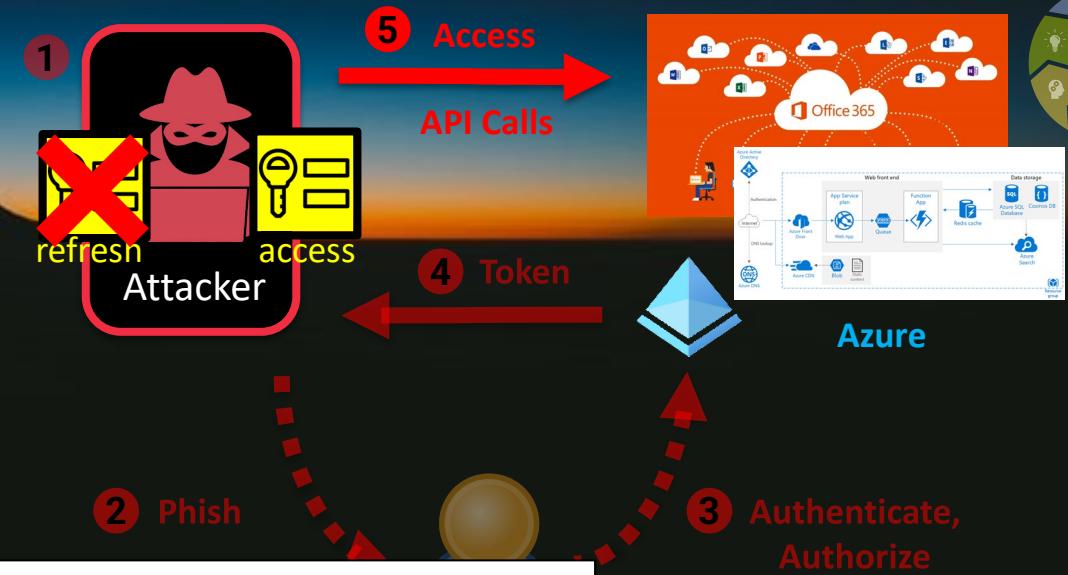


Revoke-AzureADUserAllRefreshToken

Reference

Module: [AzureAD](#)

Invalidates the refresh tokens issued to applications for a user.



When access is revoked

- Once admins have taken the above steps, the user can't gain new tokens for any application tied to Azure Active Directory. The elapsed time between revocation and the user losing their access depends on how the application is granting access:
 - For applications using access tokens, the user loses access when the access token expires.

Access tokens can be a security concern if access must be revoked within a time that is shorter than the lifetime of the token, which is usually around an hour. For this reason, Microsoft is actively working to bring continuous access evaluation to Office 365 applications, which helps ensure invalidation of access tokens in near real time.

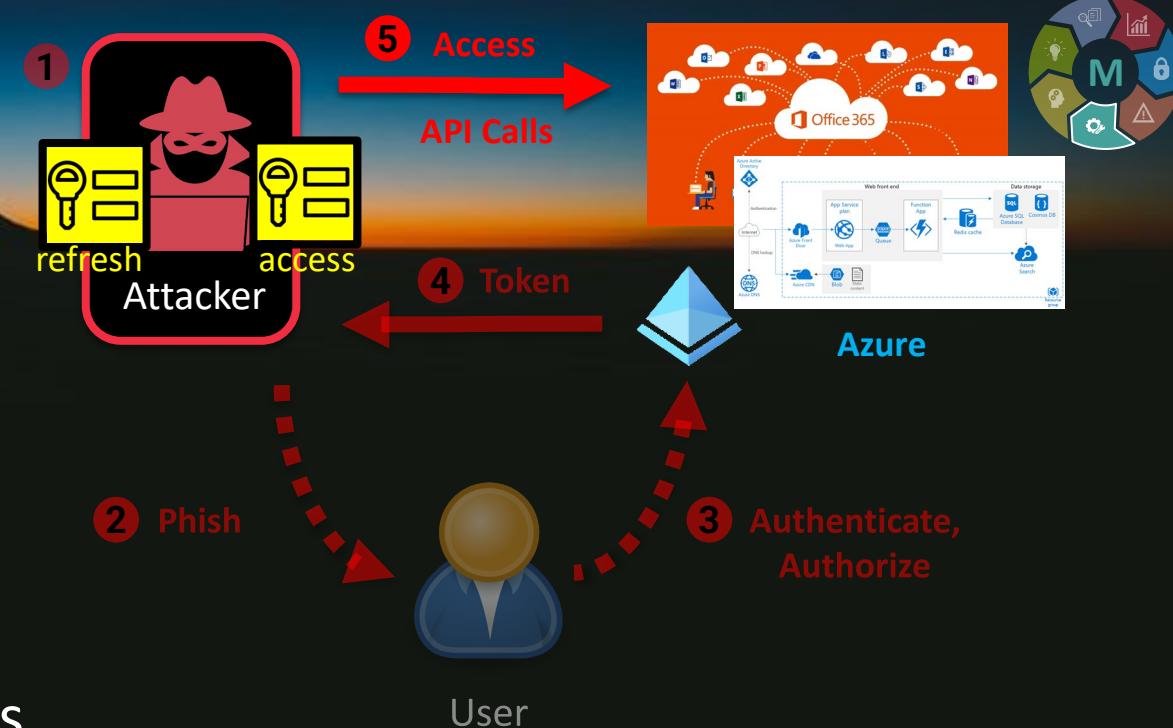
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[3] Continuous access evaluation: <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/active-directory/conditional-access/concept-continuous-access-evaluation>

Security Operations: Mitigate

- Update ops runbooks to address protocol-specific challenges
- Revocation of tokens is limited, confusing, and incomplete
 - Microsoft: you can revoke refresh tokens easily^[1] but not access tokens.^[2]
 - “Hope is not a strategy.”
 - disable the user account for 1 hour
 - delete/restore the account
 - don’t forget about registered devices

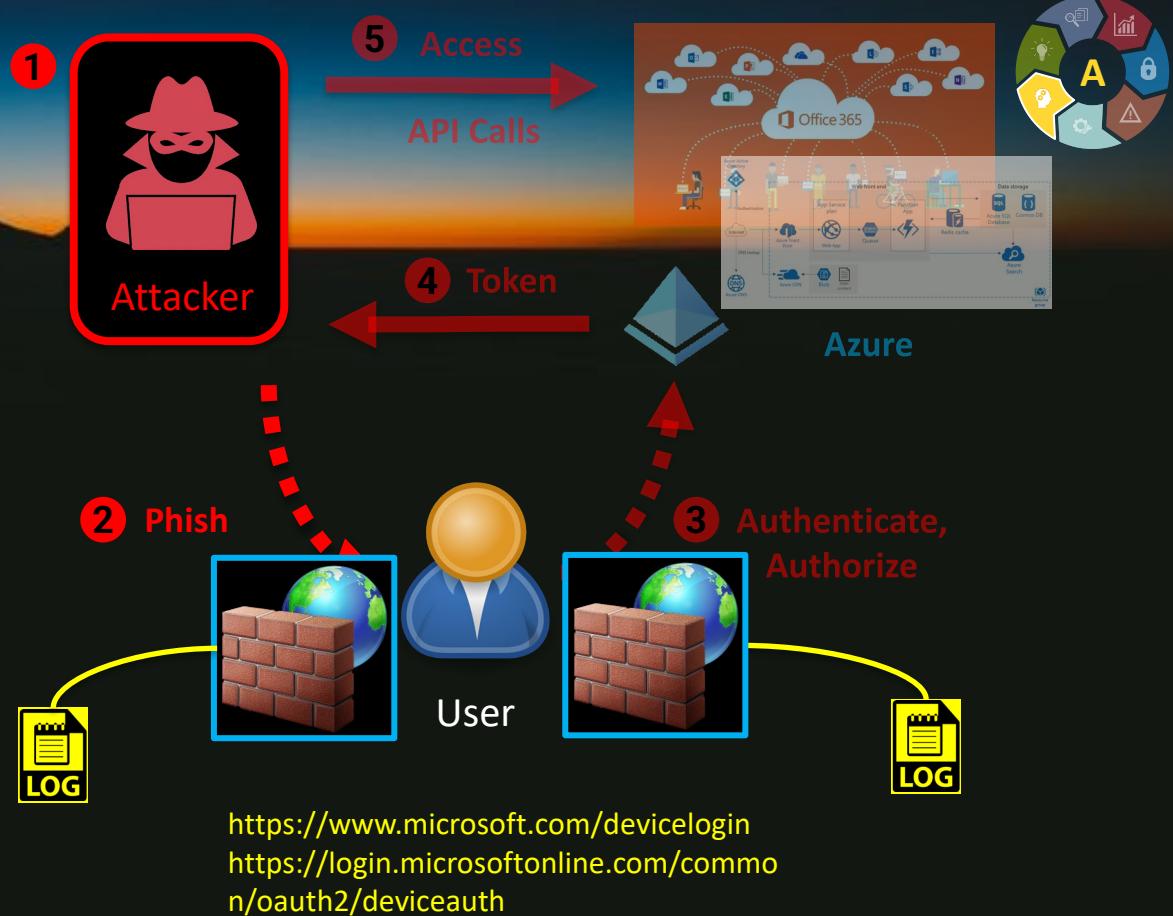


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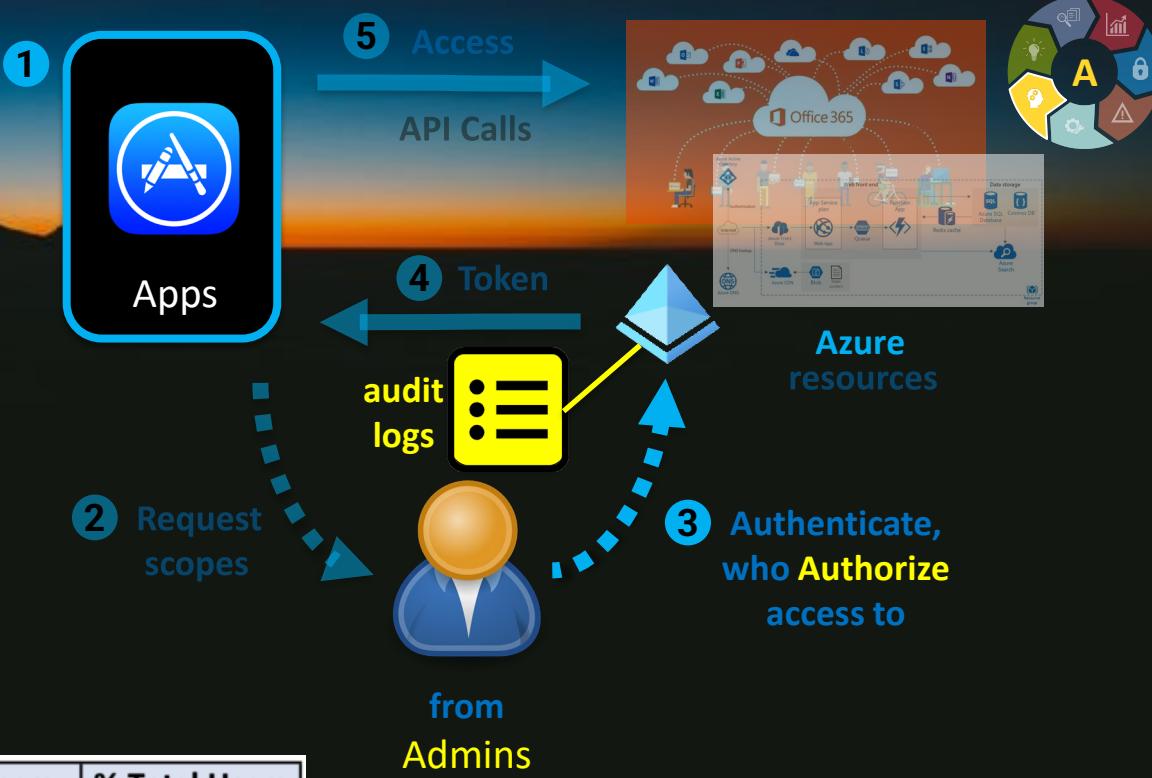
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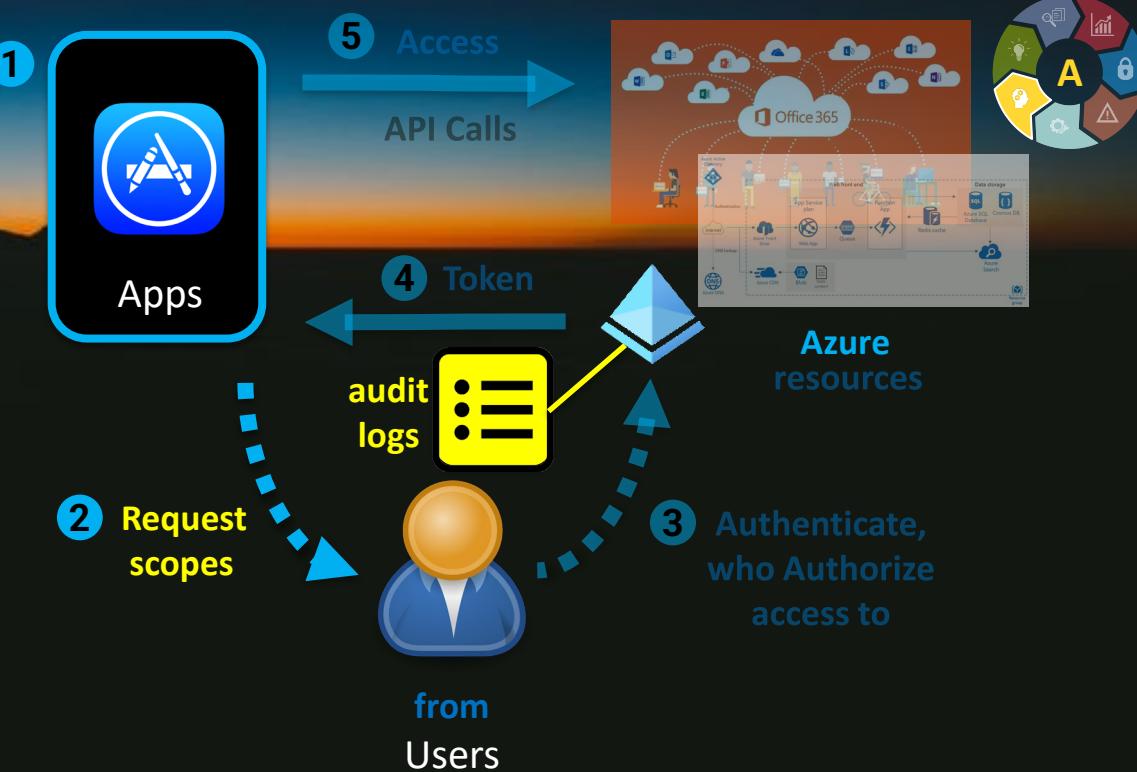


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Scopes	# Users	# Apps	Application	# Users
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	Slack	95848
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	draw.io	16882
View and manage your spreadsheets in Google Drive	34591	11124	LucidChart	12461
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Security Operations: Analyze



5 Access



- High-risk user
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 - Request of broad access rights

- Manage data access permissions for users on your domain
- Manage delegated admin roles for your domain
- Manage messages in groups on your domain
- Manage the list of sites and domains you control

Manage your Google Classroom class rosters

Manage your Google Classroom classes

Manage your calendars

Manage your contacts

[View and manage Google Apps licenses for your domain](#)

View and manage customer related information

[View and manage data transfers between users in your organization](#)

[View and manage organization units on your domain](#)

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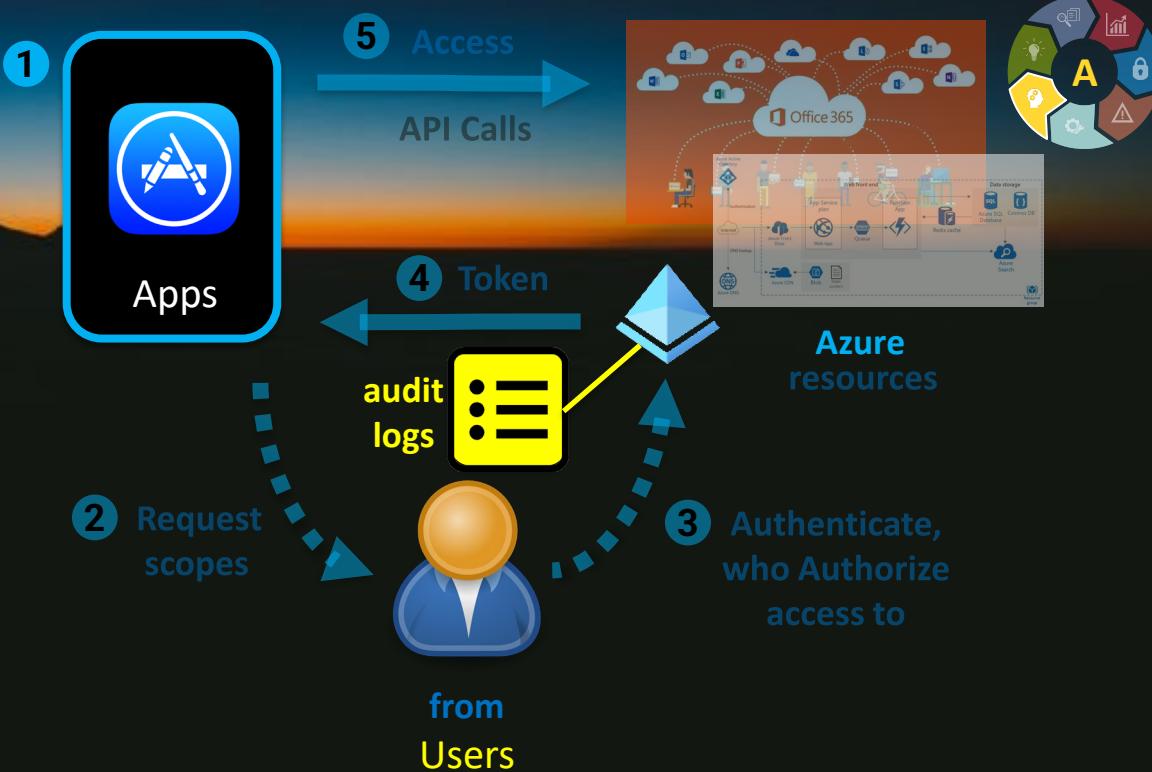
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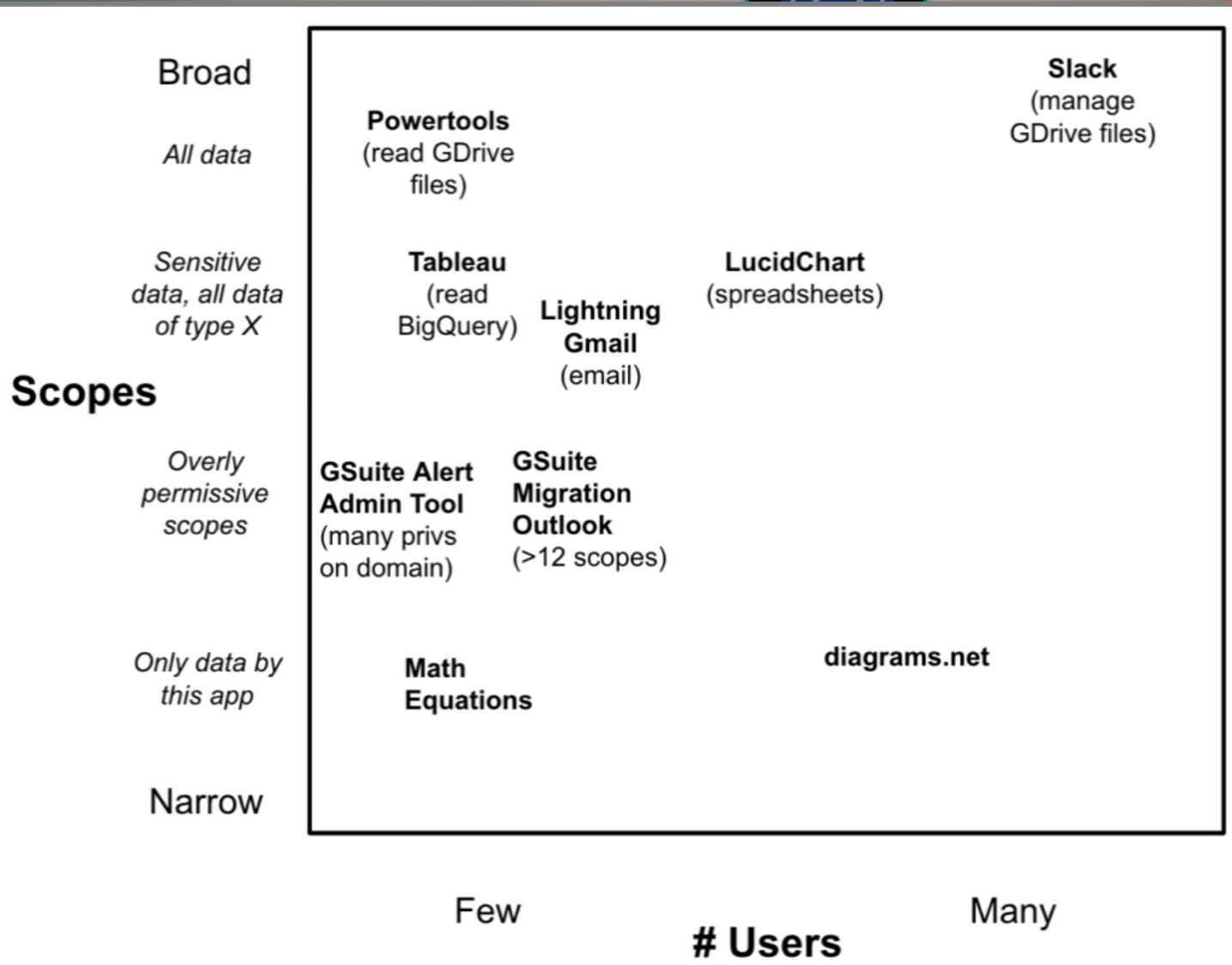


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Security Operations: Analyze



- High-risk users

As a different example, the CamScanner application is only used by 219 users (.04% of 509.079) and requests “View and manage the files in your Google Drive,” one of the broadest data scopes for regular users. CamScanner was found by [Kaspersky in August 2019 to contain malware](#) and was [banned by the Indian government over security concerns in June 2020](#). This reinforces the need to manage application trust and usage, and that risky behavior for a small number of users should also be analyzed, not just applications affecting the largest number of users.

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- Changes and anomalies
 - New applications, new scopes, top-N apps, top-N users





Proactive Measures: Innovate

Anticipate

- Track latest threat research
- Skate to where the puck is: OAuth 2.x
- Inventory OAuth use
 - Identity systems, SaaS apps
 - Hidden dependencies^[1]
- Assume non-phishing attack vectors
- Vendor research and roadmap

Initiate

- Early warning indicators
 - Failures against IP allow lists (compromised creds)
 - Suspicious HTTP/URL traffic (phish targeting)
- Threat intel specific to protocol-based attacks
 - Fingerprint approved applications
 - Detect suspicious OAuth applications
 - Attribution for OAuth threats

[1] [Hacking G Suite: The Power of Dark Apps Script Magic, Matthew Bryant, DEF CON 29](#)

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Applying This Presentation



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- Next week you should:
 - Ownership: identify appropriate security personnel
 - Educate your team on OAuth
 - <https://www.netskope.com/blog/new-phishing-attacks-exploiting-oauth-authorization-flows-part-1>
 - Dr. Nestori Syynimaa: <https://o365blog.com/post/phishing>
 - See References slide at end for more links
 - Assess risk
 - Review critical cloud apps & data => tighten existing controls

Applying This Presentation

- **Checklist:** review current and future apps (internally or with vendors)
- **Customize:** update checklist by reviewing every app's admin controls

Identity Design	Auditing	
<p>Oauth Use</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Is OAuth used?Is it the only option or 1 of many?Which flows? <p>Documentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Scopes clearly documented?Vendor app ids documented? <p>Approvals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Are the approval screens clear? Is what is being asked clear to users? <p>Application Identity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Is the application's identity clearly described?Are vendor application ids clearly documented? <p>Integration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Is there a 3rd-party app ecosystem? With publicly documented APIs?Is there vendor verification? Are verified applications clearly shown in approval dialogs?Is there a directory of approved applications? Vendor websites? App ids?	<p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Authentication: failed logins?Authorization: are detailed OAuth protocol steps logged? e.g., token refreshes?Application: which application activities (events) are logged? <p>Fields</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">App ids? Scopes?Users? Location/IPs?OAuth URLs and parameters? <p>Reporting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Content:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Which apps have been approved? By user? # Users? Timestamps?Sort/filters?Which scopes approved/granted? By user? # Users?Which resources granted access to?Aggregations: counts, top-N, grouping, distribution/breakdowns?Generation: Saved reports? Scheduled reports? Pushed?Notifications: Alerts? Criteria?	

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Prevention	Mitigation	
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Detection		
<p>Can you alert or take action on failed logins?</p> <p>Can you alert or take action on failed approvals?</p> <p>Any support for detecting compromised credentials?</p>		

Applying This Presentation

- In the first 3 months following this presentation:
 - **Inventory:** create/update list of approved OAuth applications
 - **Baseline OAuth activity**
 - Collect OAuth audit logs
 - Baseline normal activity
 - Identify Top-N applications, permissions granted, users
 - **Policies:** review/refine/plan
 - Restrict device code authorization grants
 - Lockdown OAuth application approval policy

Applying This Presentation

- In the first 3 months following this presentation (cont.):
 - Prevent
 - Block device code URLs
 - Exceptions should be restricted with IP allow policies
 - Restrict OAuth application approval process
 - Detect
 - Update detections for failures with respect to IP allow lists
 - Create a behavioral detection plan to detect compromised credentials, suspicious application activity, and risk users based on their OAuth activities

Applying This Presentation

- In the first 3 months following this presentation (cont.):
 - Mitigate
 - Focus on temporary token behavior with all IAM vendors
 - Update playbooks for compromised OAuth credentials
 - Focus on and test revocation
 - Use any available controls that govern OAuth protocol behavior e.g., timeouts

Applying This Presentation

- Within 6 months, you should:
 - **Analysis:** implement a process to analyze OAuth risk
 - Start tracking high-risk users and applications, using top-N filters
 - Focus on abnormal changes / anomalies
 - **Vendor roadmaps:** discuss OAuth threats, vendor controls and solutions
 - **Detection:** advanced measures
 - IP allow list failures
 - Start tracking risky users based on their OAuth activities
 - Honey tokens
 - **OAuth Threat Intel:** catalog approved OAuth applications (client ids, expected URLs and HTTP traffic)

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