Authentication & Authorization

Patch notes

Homework 1: Due tonight at midnight

- For folks running into issues:
 - FAQ on Slack
 - Different environments have caused issues:
 Submissions will be manually reviewed if necessary
- Feedback is always welcome:
 https://forms.gle/Xxi4JL25Vqg7U1pT8

Patch notes

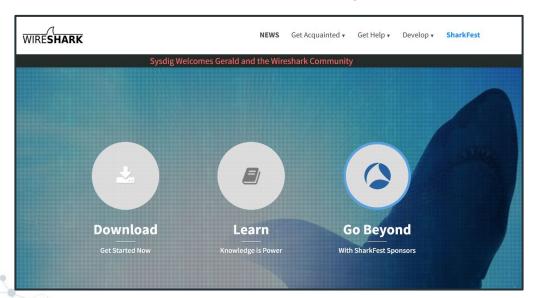
Deadline philosophy:

Deadlines are for your benefit, not mine. Doing something late is better than not doing it at all.

Patch notes

Download **Wireshark** in advance of recitation tomorrow:

https://www.wireshark.org/#download



AuthN & AuthZ

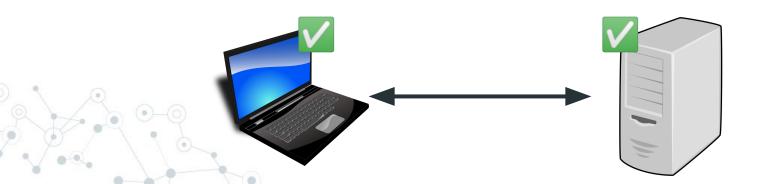
Authentication (AuthN): Proving who a party is

Authorization (AuthZ): Proving what a party is allowed to do

Auth: Umbrella term for both

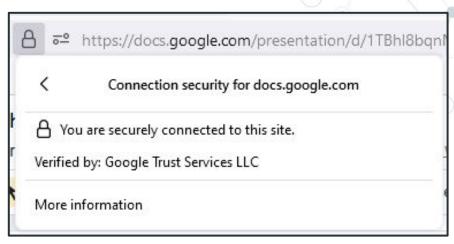
Authentication: Proves *who* both parties are

- Based on some kind of shared secret
- O Common examples: Passwords, public keys



Server authentication:

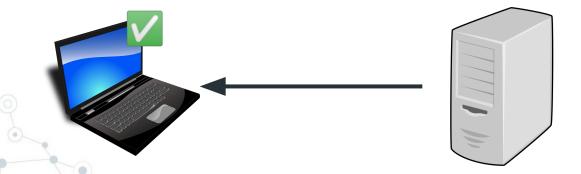
Public Key Infrastructure





Client AuthN methods:

- Something only you know
- Something only you have
- Something only you are



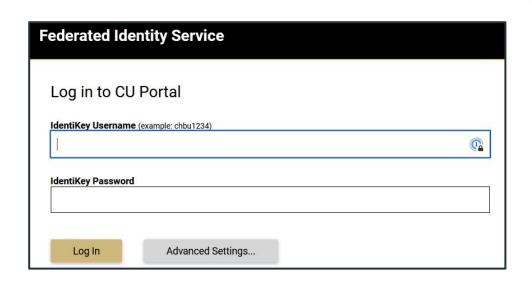
Something you know

- Password
- Security question
- O Birthday
- SSN

Question

What is your mother's maiden name?

What is your father's middle name?



Something you have

- Phone number
- Email access
- Private key

Jan 24, 2021

224712 is your Twitter authentication code. Don't reply to this message with your code.

Add an SSH key

Add an SSH key for secure access to GitLab. Learn more.

Key

ssh-rsa

AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAABAQDeRthmzE2PBCQ3CWELoVcd8rH5RA91wAxPAwZHrI/4chC4ewvbuWZKCyysPsfcj3UdPUGGTYI72VPScEvgAA7YCWJGvftYYifux

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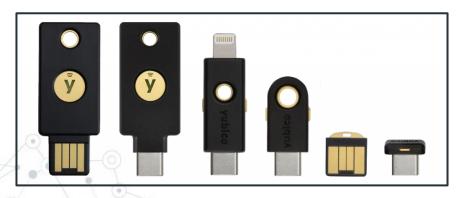
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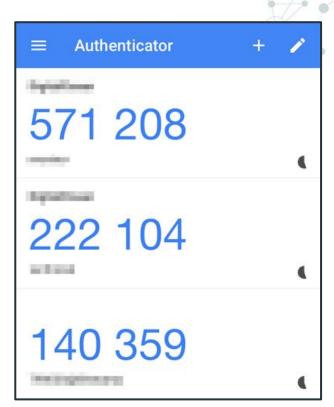
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Begins with 'ssh-rsa', 'ecdsa-sha2-nistp256', 'ecdsa-sha2-nistp384', 'ecdsa-sha2-nistp521', 'sshed25519', 'sk-ecdsa-sha2-nistp256@openssh.com', or 'sk-ssh-ed25519@openssh.com'.

Private key storage mechanisms:

- Authenticator Apps
- YubiKeys
- Some phones





Something you are

- Fingerprint
- Face recognition





Fingerprint recognition (Windows Hello)
Sign in with your fingerprint scanner (Recommended)





Different methods have different threat models!

Examples:

- Passwords: Brute-forcing
- YubiKey: Physical theft
- Facial recognition: Finding photos online

Multi-factor Authentication (MFA): Using more than one authentication method

(Also referred to as Two-factor Authentication, or 2FA)

- + Strictly improves security
- Increases risk of availability loss



Authentication methods should be different types!

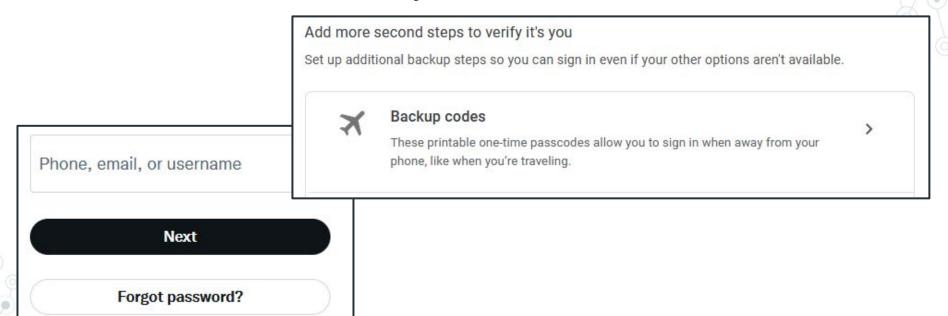
- ✓ Password + Phone code
- XPassword + Security Question
- XPhone code + email code

Recovery Methods: Allows a user to login using multiple AuthN methods

- Strictly decreases security
- + Reduces risk of availability loss

AuthN becomes as strong as the weakest method!

Intended uses of recovery codes:



SMS spoofing: Intercepting SMS-based auth codes

- Ordering new SIM cards (SIM Swapping)
- Bribing telecom providers
- Bugs in text-based middleware



https://www.vice.com/amp/en/article/y3g8wb/hacker-got-my-texts-16-dollars-sakari-netnumber







Wednesday December 29, 2021 10:15 am PST by Juli Clover

Back in August, T-Mobile suffered a massive data breach impacting more than 50 million current. former, and prospective T-Mobile users, and now the cellular company is dealing with another

NY Man Pleads Guilty in \$20 Million SIM Swap Theft

December 16, 2021

36 Comments

A 24-year-old New York man who bragged about helping to steal more than \$20 million worth of cryptocurrency from a technology executive has pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud. Nicholas Truglia was part of a group alleged to have stolen more than \$100 million from cryptocurrency investors using fraudulent "SIM swaps," scams in which identity thieves hijack a target's mobile phone number and use that to wrest control over the victim's online identities.

Ex-carrier employee sentenced for role in SIMswapping scheme

He was paid a daily fee to route victim numbers to handsets controlled by other criminals.



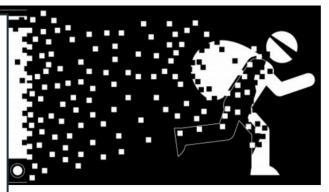
Written by Charlle Osborne, Contributor

A former sales representative of a mobile carrier has been sentenced after accepting bribes to perform SIM-swapping attacks.

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ed to a New York federal court that he let a friend use his account at crypto-trading nce in 2018 to launder more than \$20 million worth of virtual currency stolen from Michael

pm, a cryptocurrency investor who co-founded the first angel investor group for bitcoin enthusiasts.

General advice*:

- Use good passwords with a physical 2FA option
- Use backup 2FA options to avoid getting locked out

- Avoid SMS auth methods if possible
- Avoid guessable security questions

*Will vary person to person

Recap

Authentication (AuthN): Proves identity

- Things only you know
- Things only you have
- Things only you are

Multi-factor Authentication (MFA): Requiring multiple AuthN factors to log in

Recovery methods: Allowing one AuthN to bypass another

Authorization: Determining what a party is allowed to do

- Requires authentication
- Very implementation-specific



Common example: Linux file permissions

- Each file has an owner and a group
- Each file has read, write, and execute permissions for the owner, group, and all.

	Read	Write	Execute
Owner	✓	✓	V
Group	V	×	V
All	V	×	×

Often represented like this:

	Read	Write	Execute
Owner	V	V	✓
Group	V	×	✓
All	V	×	×

Try it yourself:

```
$ echo 'Testing' > test.txt
$ cat test.txt
$ chmod goa-r test.txt # Remove read access
$ cat test.txt
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Access Control Lists (ACLs): Lists that map users to the permissions they have

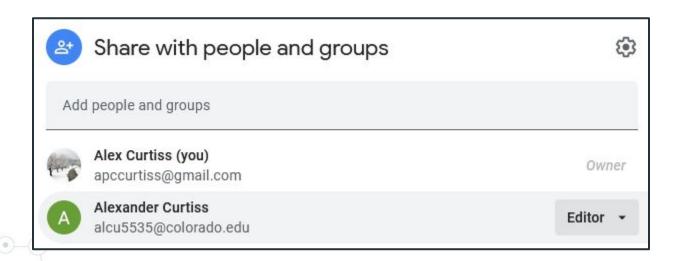
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Alice	V	X	X
Carol	V	V	V
Eve	X	×	X

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ACL example



Role-based Access Control (RBAC): Lists that map groups of users to the permissions they have

	Roles		
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RBAC example:

Roles for "CSCI 3403" project A role is a group of permissions that you can assign to principals. You can create a role				0	API Keys Admin
and add permissions to it, or copy an existing role and adjust its permissions. <u>Learn</u>			0	API Keys Viewer	
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Recap

Vocab:

Authorization: Whether or not a user has permission to perform an action

Access Control List (ACL): Maps users to permissions.

Role-based Access Control (RBAC): Maps user roles to permissions. Requires a map of users to roles.

AuthZ: Day 2

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O Homework #2 (Network Lab) will be released some time this weekend



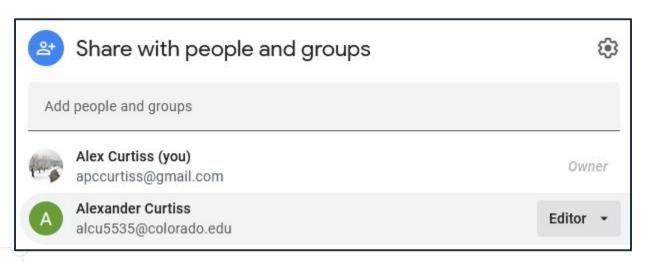
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Clearer late policy guidelines:

- Late work will still be accepted for full credit
- We will not spend time on overdue assignments (unless you reached out in advance)
- This policy can change at any time

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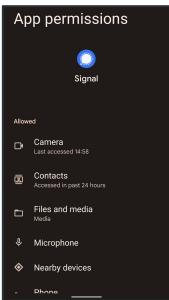
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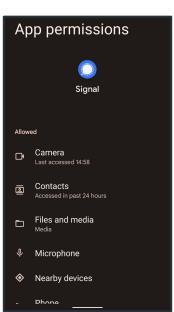
Problem 1: Permission controls can have different levels of detail.





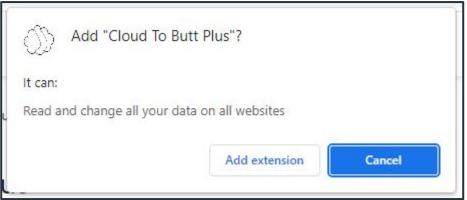
Good levels of detail: Phones, browsers, etc.





Not detailed enough: Broad permissions can be abused in unexpected ways

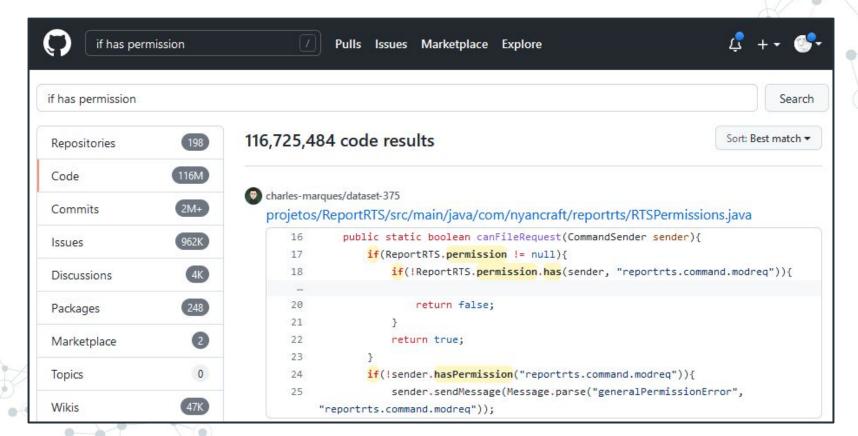




Problem 2: There is no standard tool for these.

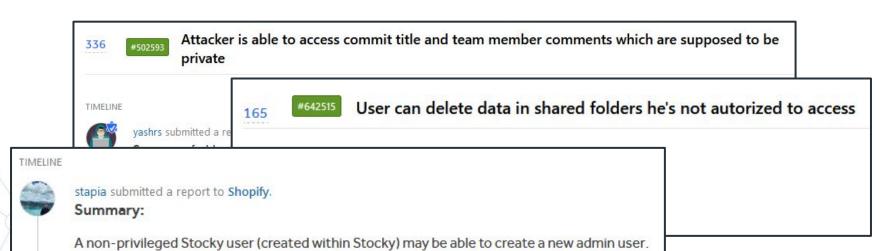
Most boil down to a conditional somewhere, and code is always broken.

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if action == 'edit' and not edit_permitted:
    raise Forbidden('You do not have edit permission.')
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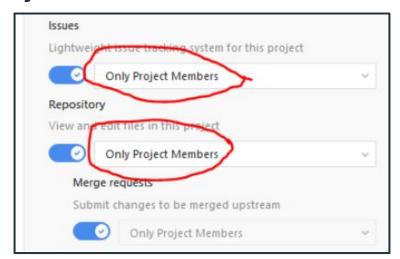
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Deep dive: https://hackerone.com/reports/502593

Expected: Commit messages and discussion should only be visible to project members



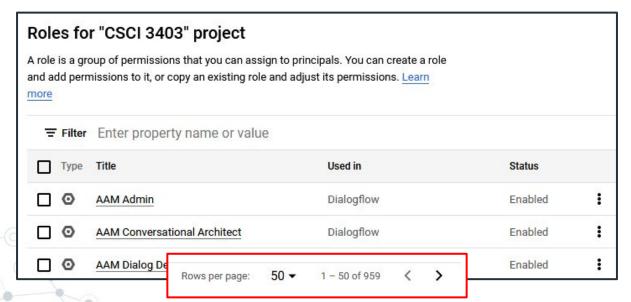


Actual: Control affects the UI, but not email notifications!



Problem 3: Keeping lists updated is a lot of work!

One misplaced control or file is all it takes!





AWSSupportServiceRolePolicy just got s3:GetObject.

That role is supposed to only have metadata visibility. @AWSSecurityInfo you need to roll that back.

MAMIP - Monitor AWS Managed IAM Policies @mamip_aws · Dec 21, 2021

AWSSupportServiceRolePolicy ... github.com/z0ph/MAMIP/com...

https://twitter.com/0xdabbad00/status/1473448889948598275?t=4JjT7z0XCe_dR00hH-vasw&s=19



Principle of Least Privilege: A user should be given the least access needed for their role

Separation of Duties: No one person has complete access to a system

- + Improves security
- Causes friction as roles expand

Former SolarWinds CEO blames intern for 'solarwinds123' password leak





By Brian Fung and Geneva Sands, CNN Updated 5:34 PM ET, Fri February 26, 2021



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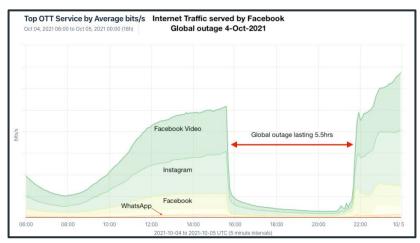


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"During maintenance [...] a command accidentally disconnected all of Facebook's data centers"



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2021 Facebook outage

Takeaway: Access control suffers from systemic problems:

- Poor interface and design
- O Bugs
- Lack of maintenance

Solutions:

- Principle of Least Privilege
- Separation of Duties



Questions?

