

Authenticating Clients



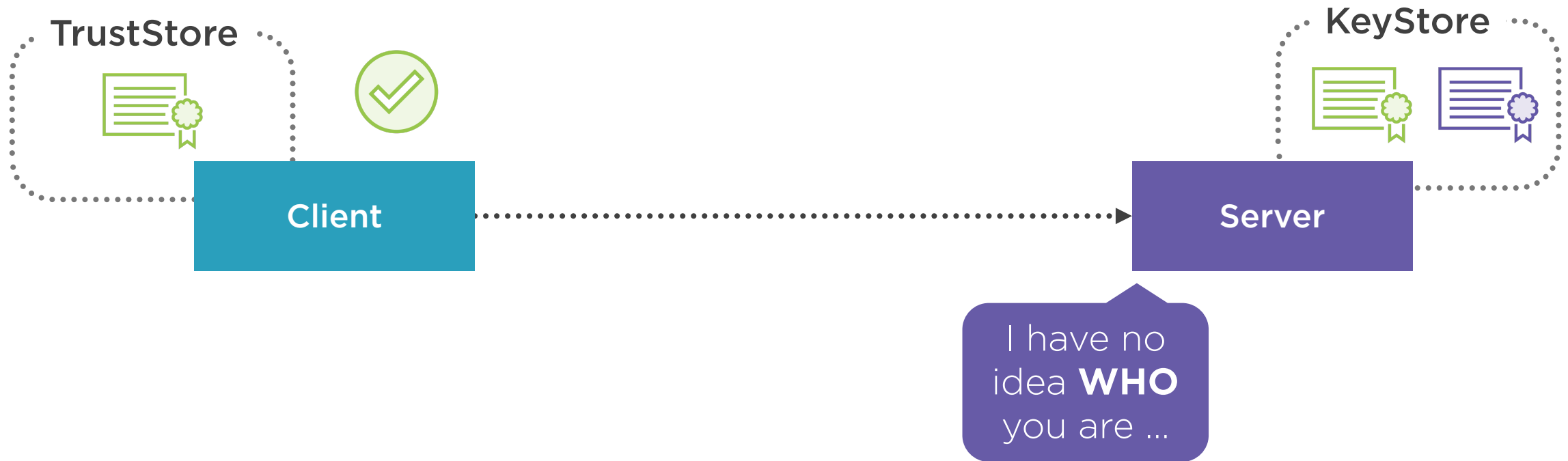
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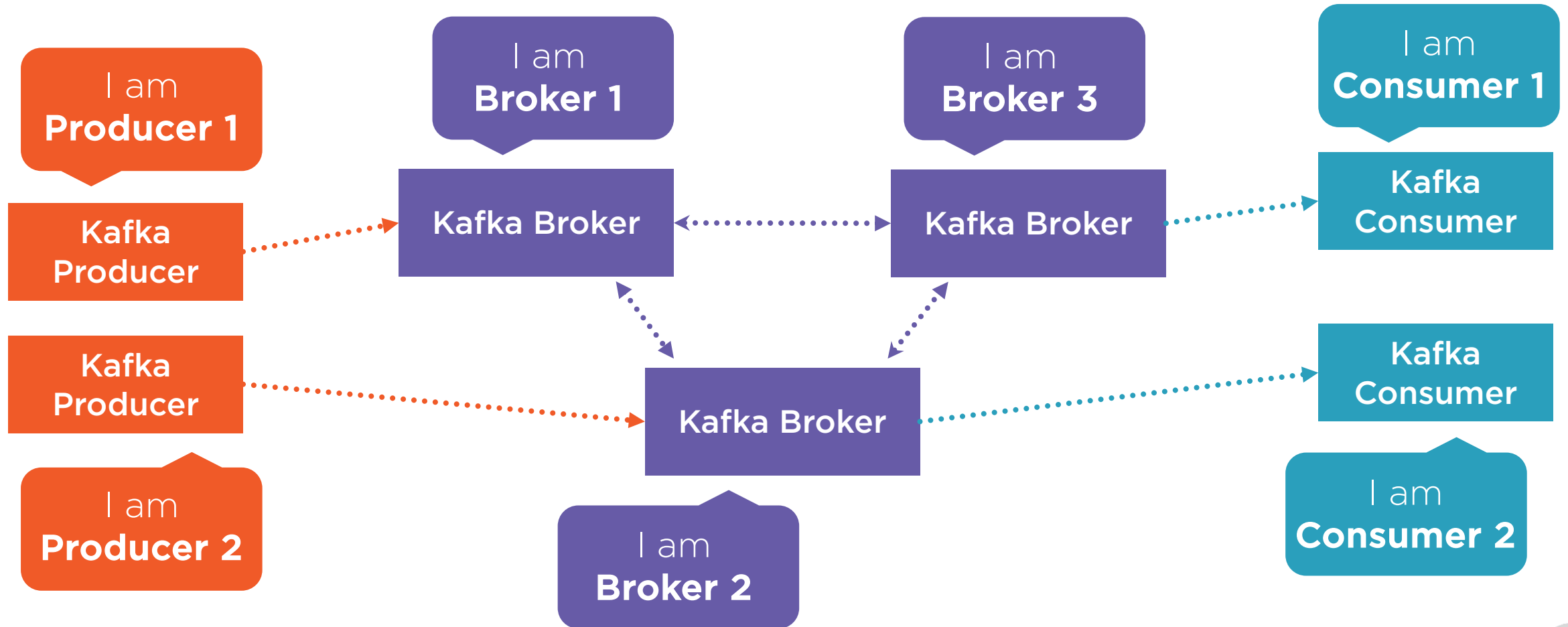
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Authenticating Clients



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Kafka Authentication Frameworks

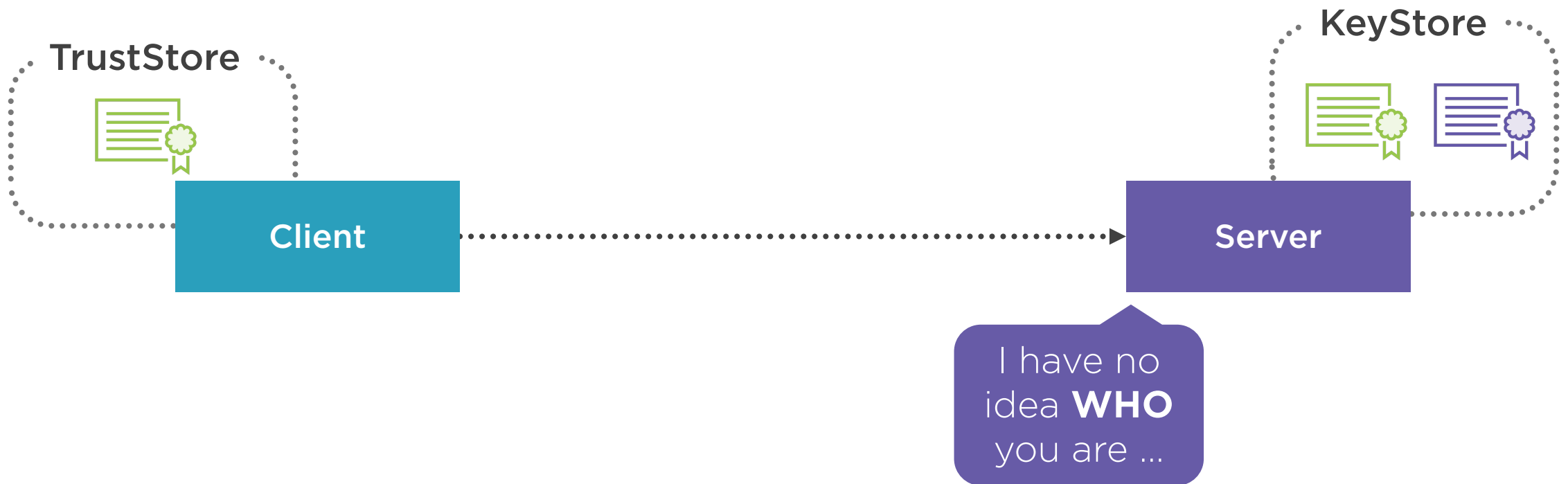
mTLS

SASL

kafka.apache.org/documentation/#security_overview



Mutual TLS



Mutual TLS



Demo



Set up mTLS



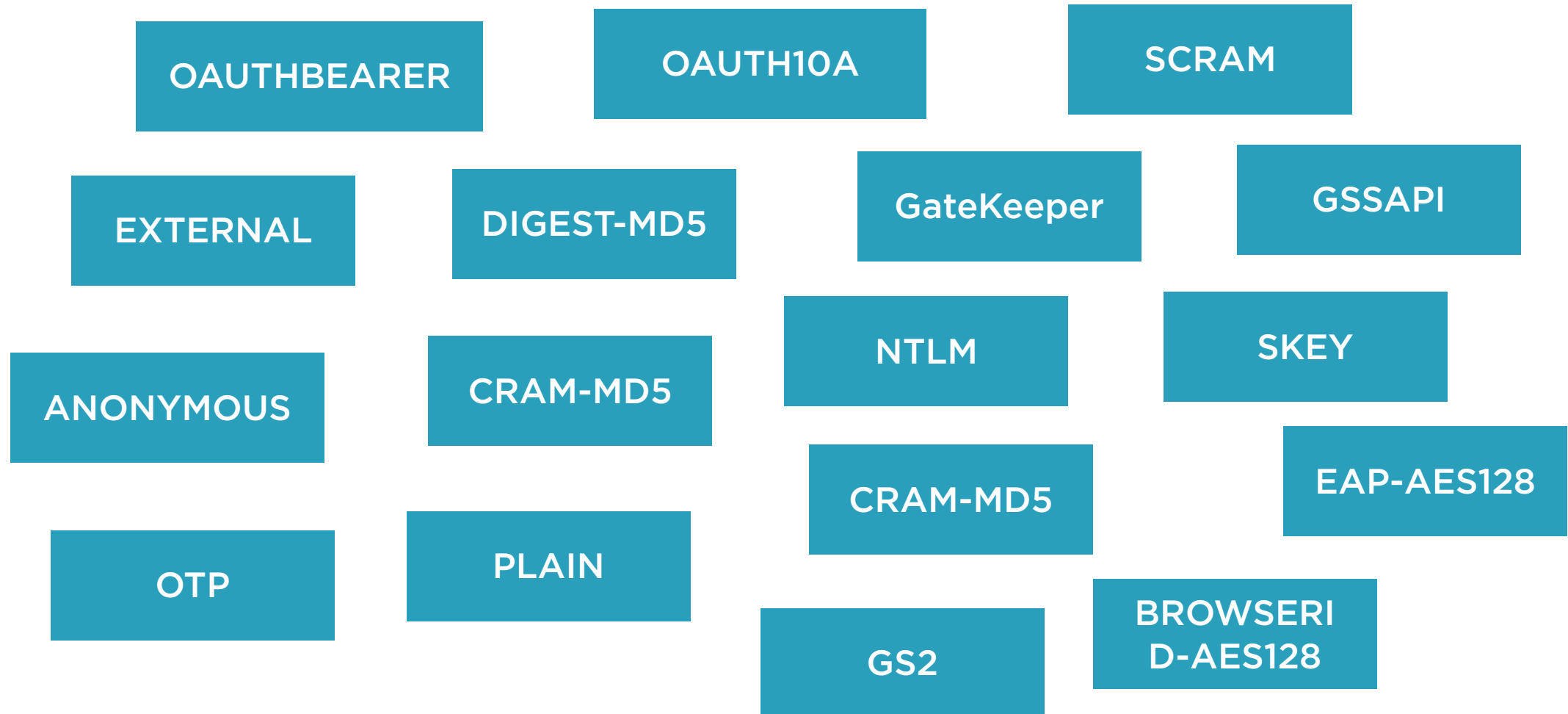
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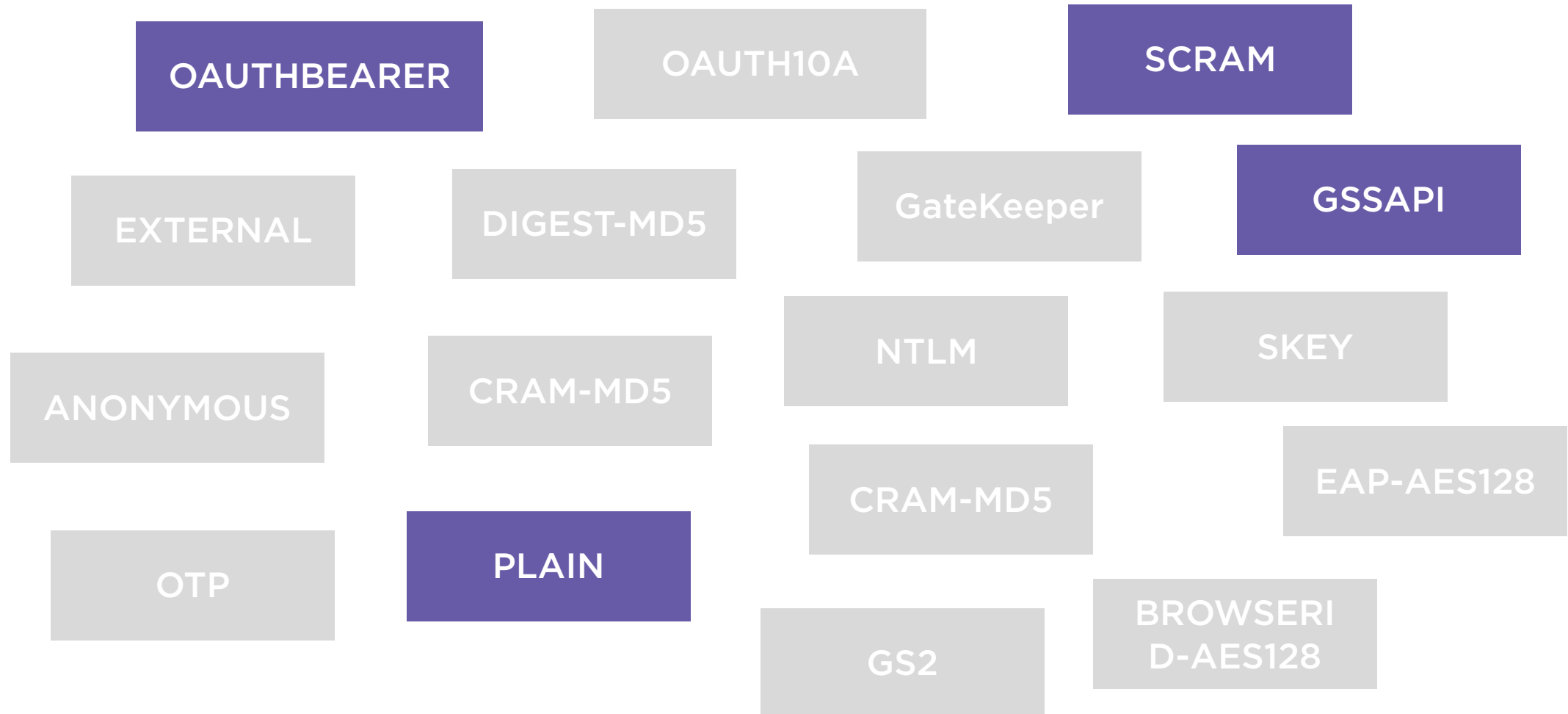
Simple **A**uthentication and **S**ecurity **L**ayer



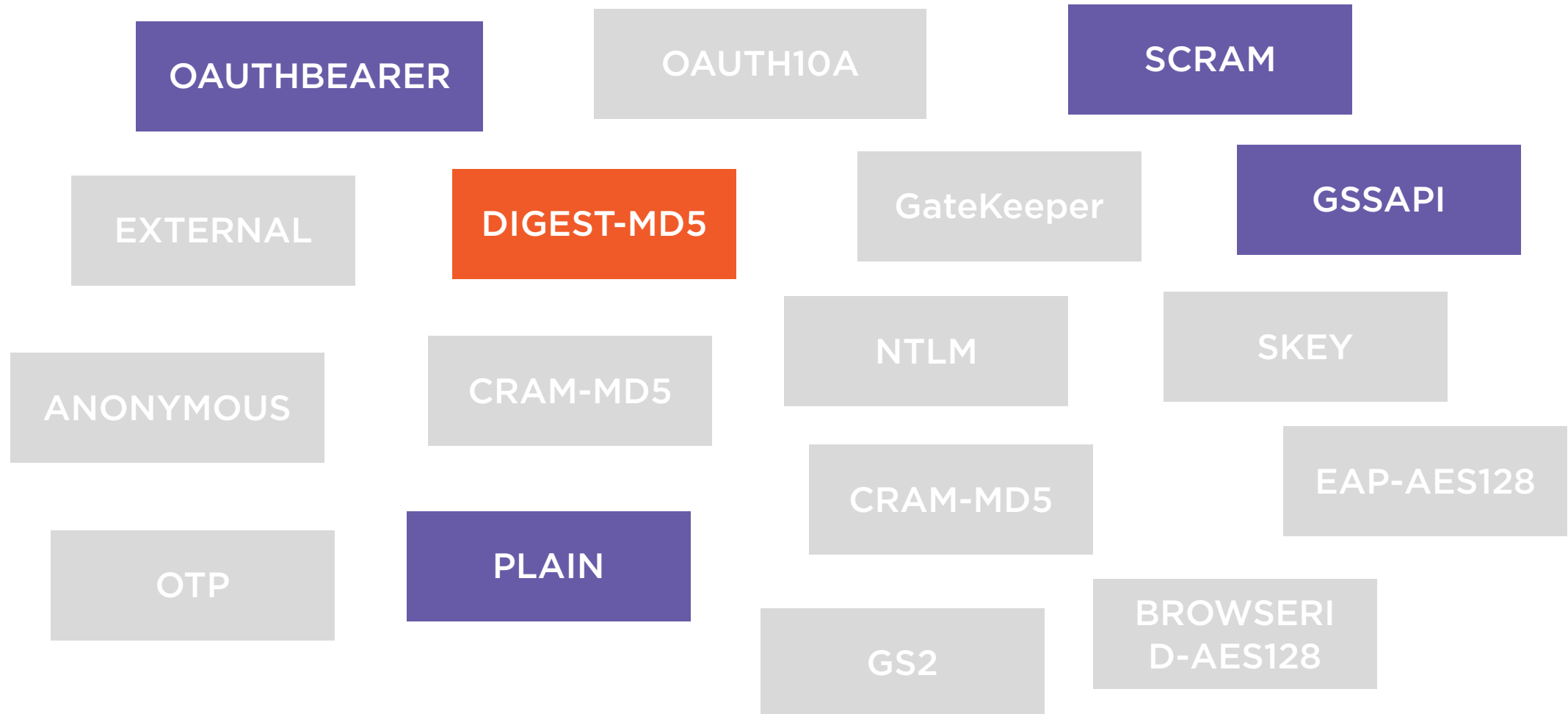
SASL Mechanisms



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JAAS

Java **A**uthentication and **A**uthorization **S**ervice is the Java implementation of the Pluggable Authentication Module (PAM)



JAAS Configuration Files

Authentication

*.conf

Authorization

*.policy



JAAS Configuration Files

PLAIN

SCRAM

OAUTHBEARER

GSSAPI

```
KafkaServer {
```

```
};
```

kafka_jaas.conf



JAAS Configuration Files

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GSSAPI

```
KafkaServer {  
    org.apache.kafka.common.security.plain.PlainLoginModule required  
    .....  
};
```

kafka_jaas.conf



JAAS Configuration Files

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OAUTHBEARER

GSSAPI

```
KafkaServer {  
    org.apache.kafka.common.security.scram.ScramLoginModule required  
    ....  
};
```

kafka_jaas.conf



JAAS Configuration Files

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```
KafkaServer {  
    org.apache.kafka.common.security.oauthbearer.OAuthBearerLoginModule required  
    .....  
};
```

kafka_jaas.conf



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OAUTHBEARER

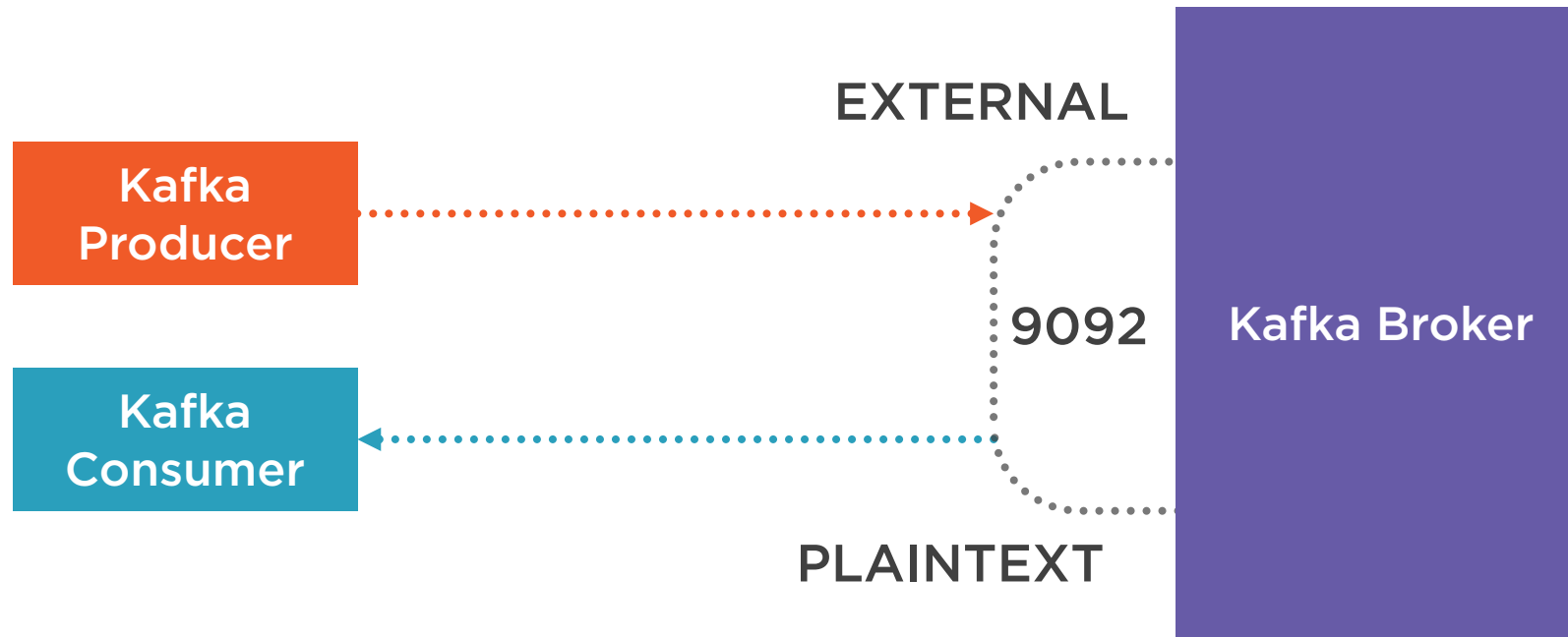
GSSAPI

```
KafkaServer {  
    com.sun.security.auth.module.Krb5LoginModule required  
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};
```

kafka_jaas.conf



Kafka Listeners



PLAINTEXT

SSL

SASL_PLAINTEXT

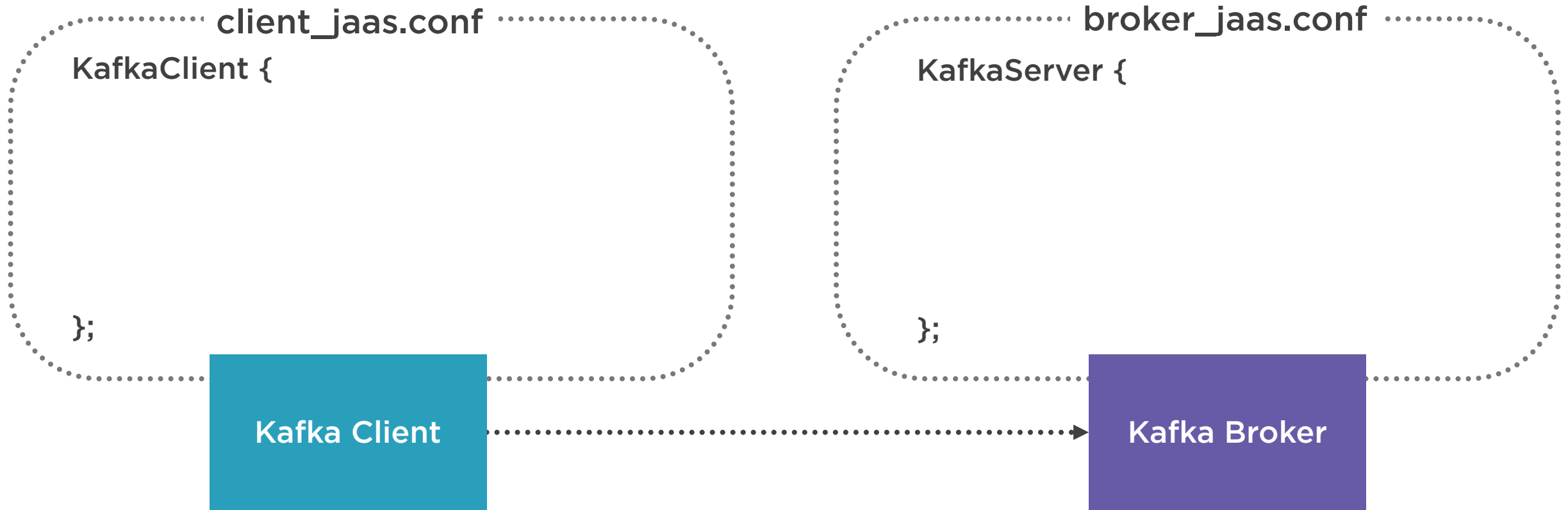
SASL_SSL



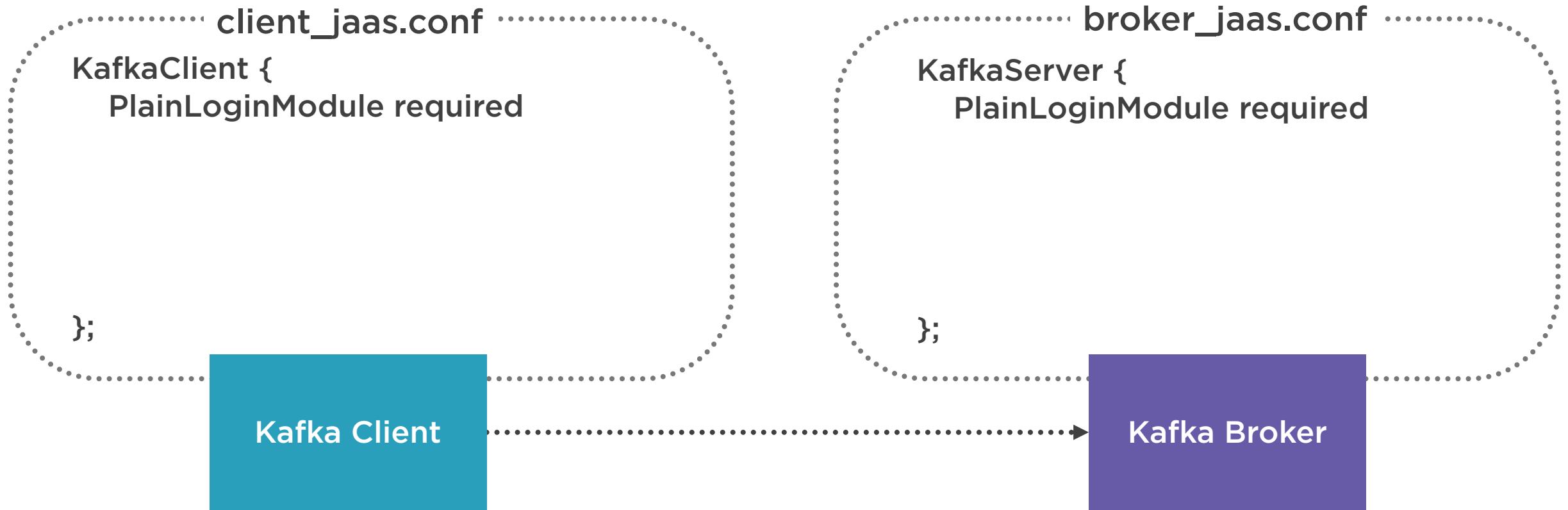
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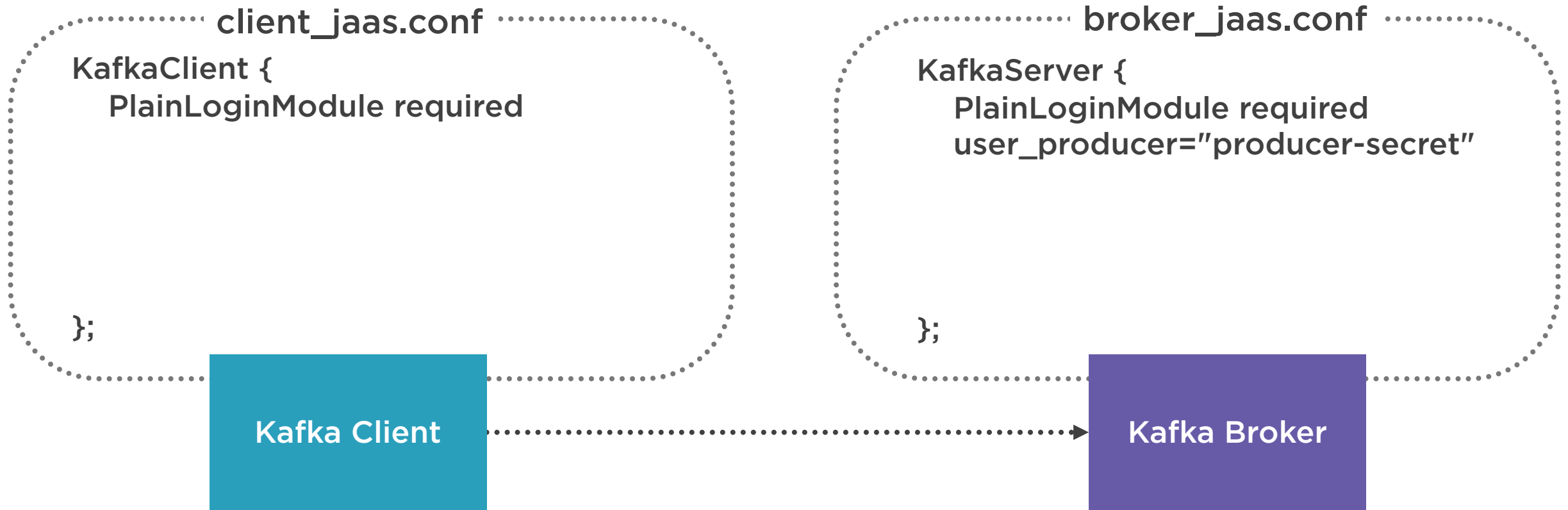
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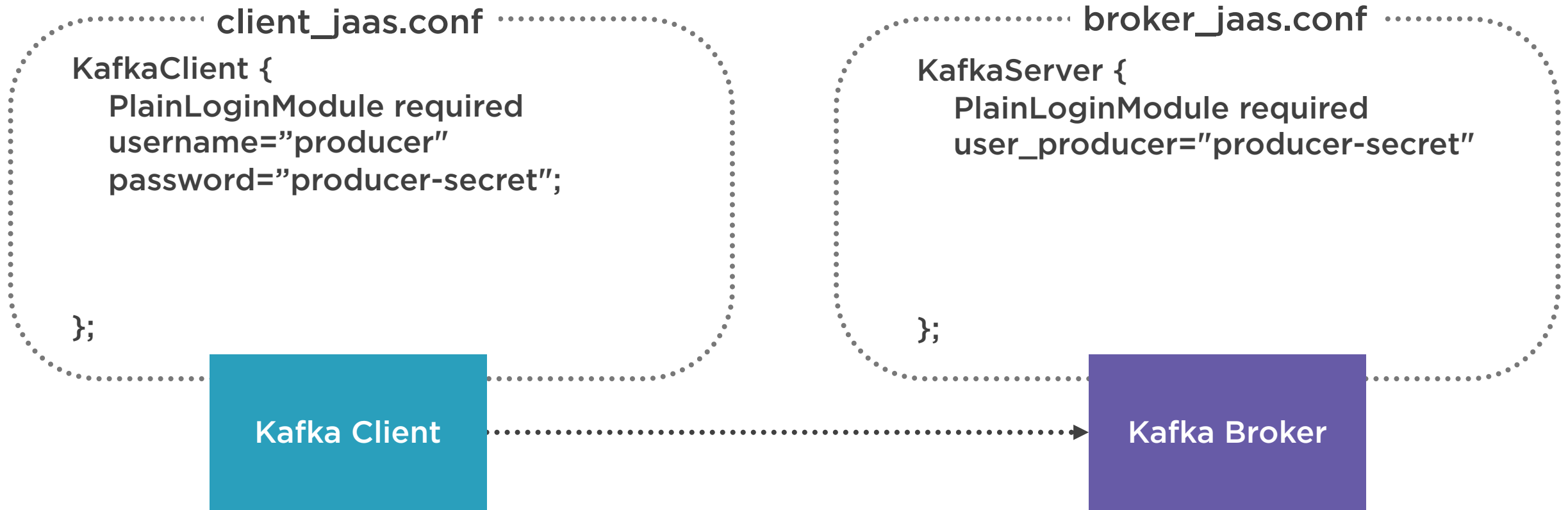
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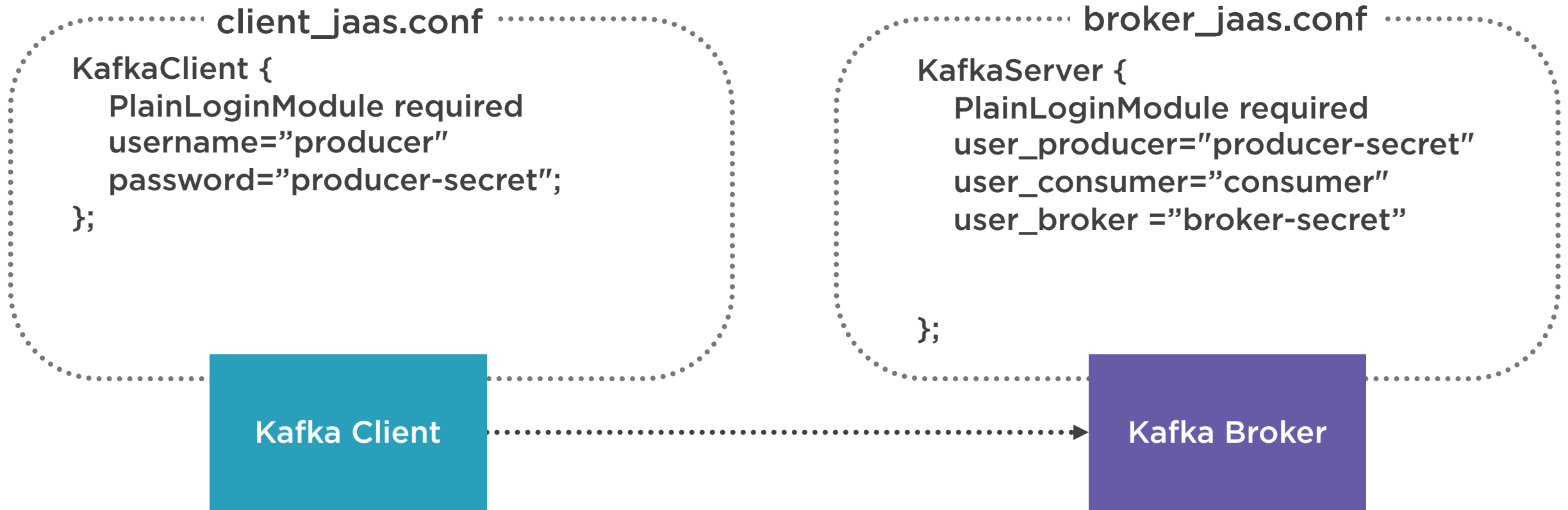
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client_jaas.conf

```
KafkaClient {  
  PlainLoginModule required  
  username="producer"  
  password="producer-secret";  
};
```

Kafka Client

broker_jaas.conf

```
KafkaServer {  
  PlainLoginModule required  
  user_producer="producer-secret"  
  user_consumer="consumer"  
  user_broker="broker-secret"  
  username="broker"  
  password="broker-secret"  
};
```

Kafka Broker

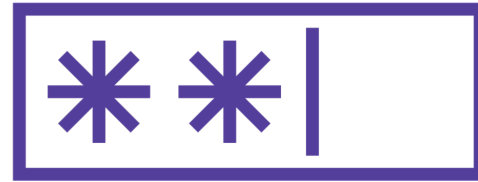


SASL PLAIN Considerations



Transport Layer

Use SSL in production environments



Password Storage

Avoid storing clear text password on disk



External Authentication

Delegate authentication to external server



Demo



Set up SASL PLAIN
JAAS Configuration



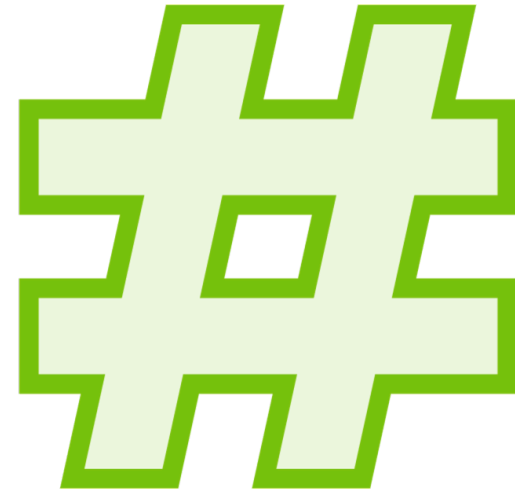
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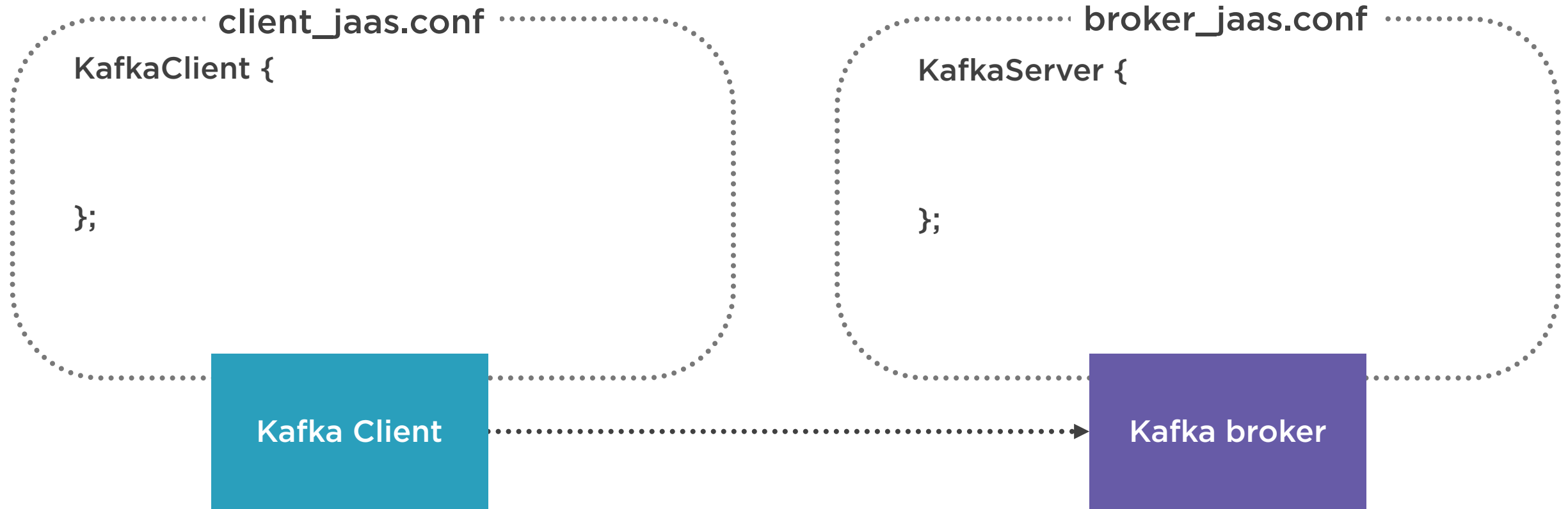


SHA-256

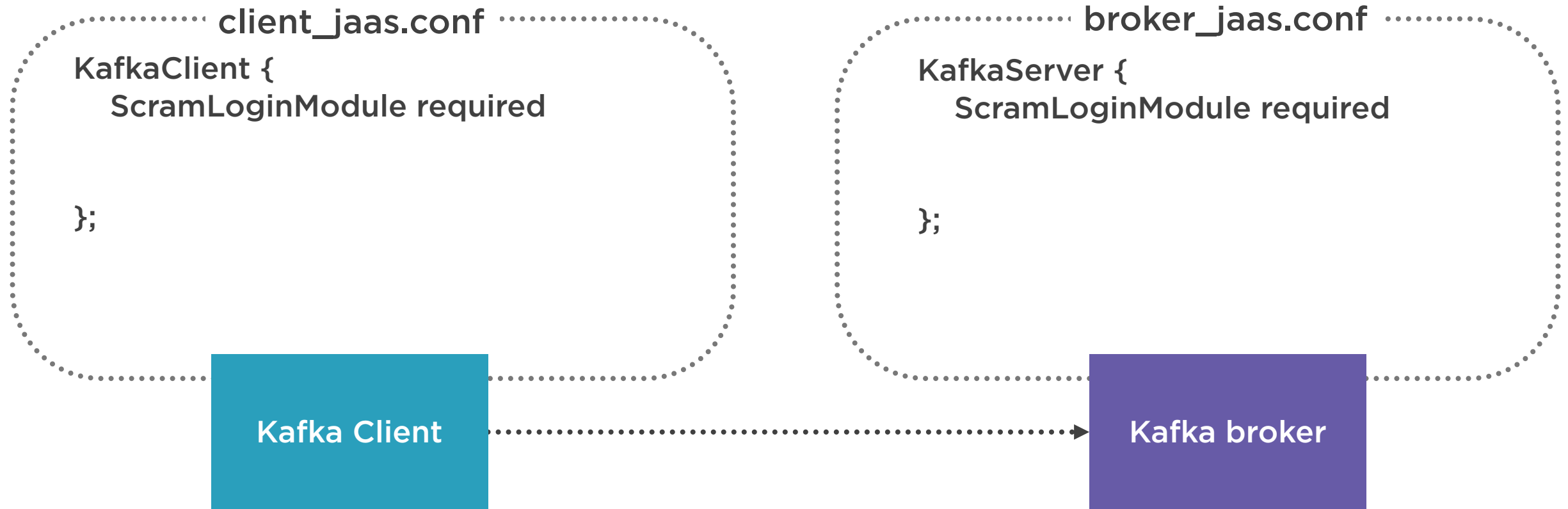


SHA-512

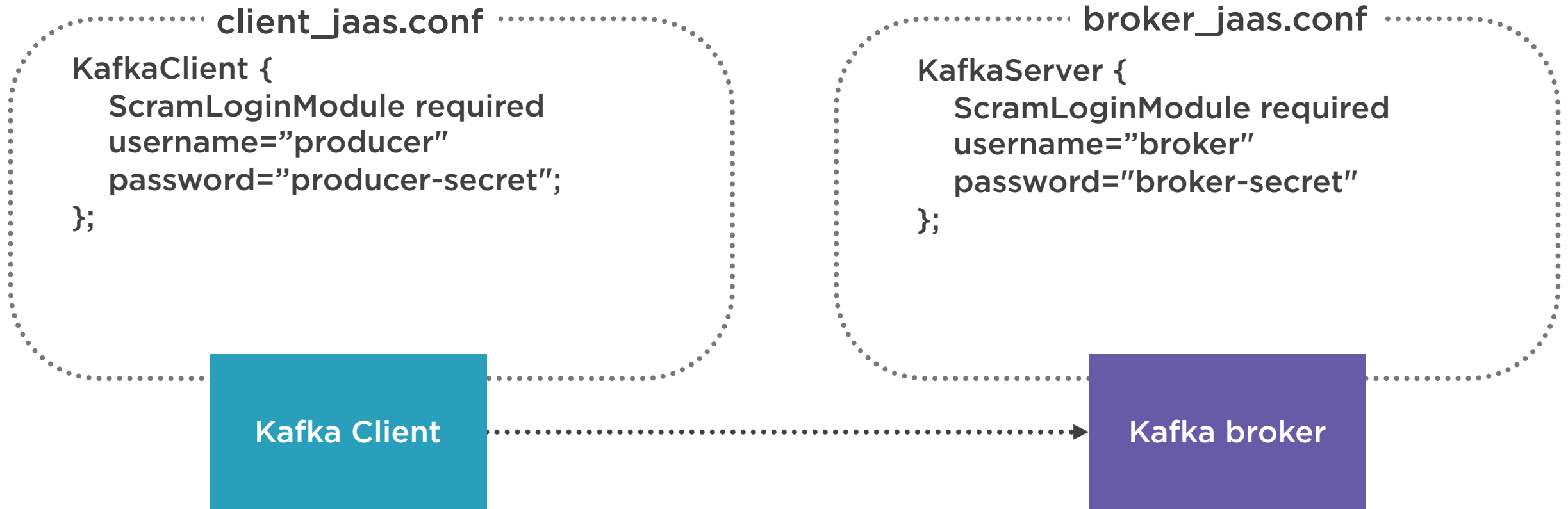
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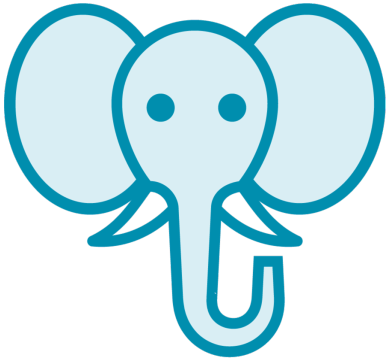
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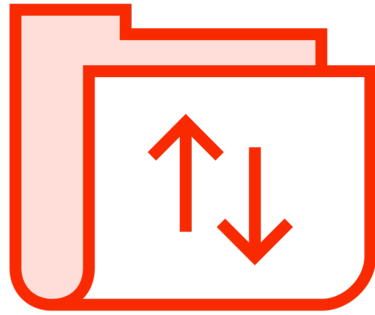
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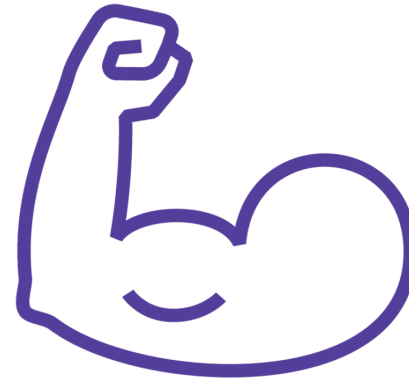
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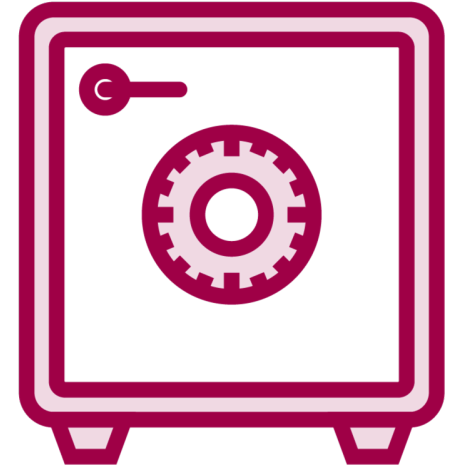
Secure
Zookeeper



Transport Layer



Strong
passwords



External
credentials store

Demo



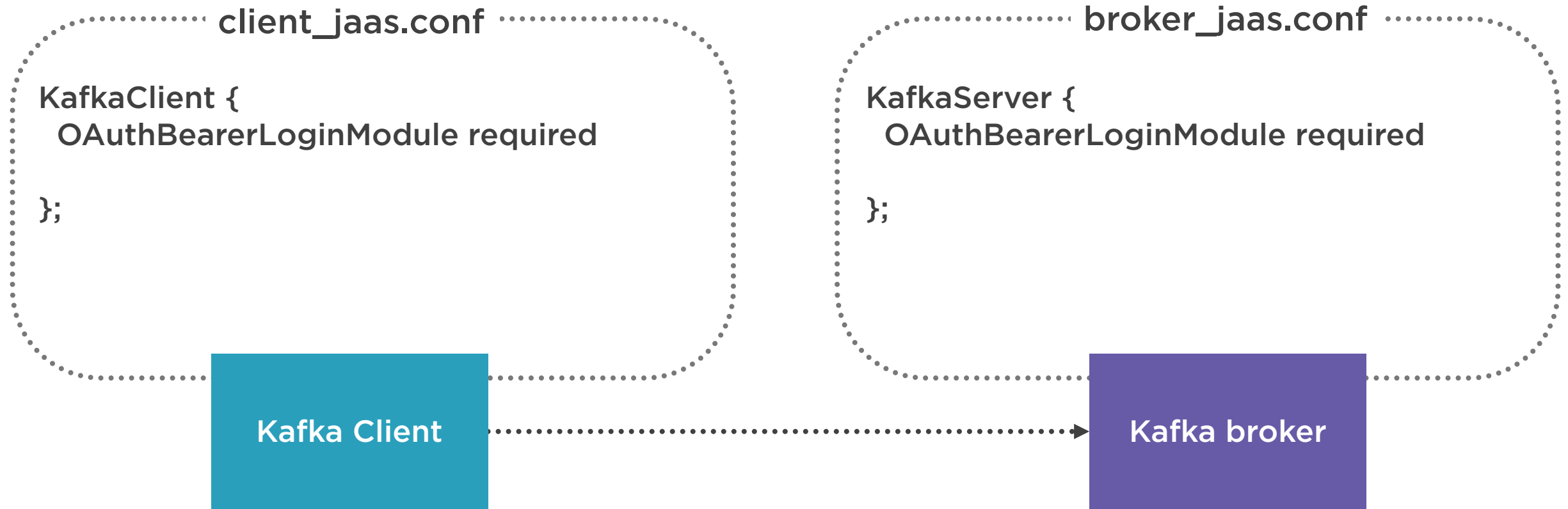
Set up SASL SCRAM



SASL OAUTHBEARER



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client_jaas.conf

```
KafkaClient {  
  OAuthBearerLoginModule required  
  unsecuredLoginStringClaim_sub="admin";  
};
```

Kafka Client

broker_jaas.conf

```
KafkaServer {  
  OAuthBearerLoginModule required  
  unsecuredLoginStringClaim_sub="broker";  
};
```

Kafka broker



SASL OAUTHBEARER

client_jaas.conf

```
KafkaClient {  
  OAuthBearerLoginModule required  
  unsecuredLoginPrincipalClaimName=alt  
  unsecuredLoginStringClaim_alt="admin";  
};
```

Kafka Client

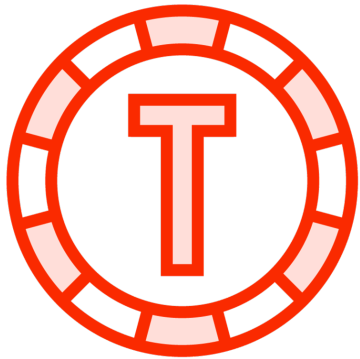
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  OAuthBearerLoginModule required  
  unsecuredLoginStringClaim_sub="broker";  
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Kafka broker

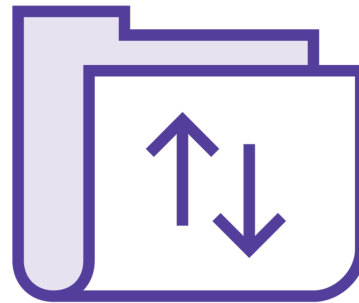


SASL OAUTHBEARER Considerations



Unsecured JWT

Empty JWT Signature



Transport Layer

Use SSL in production environments



**Custom
Implementation**

Provide secure implementation

Demo



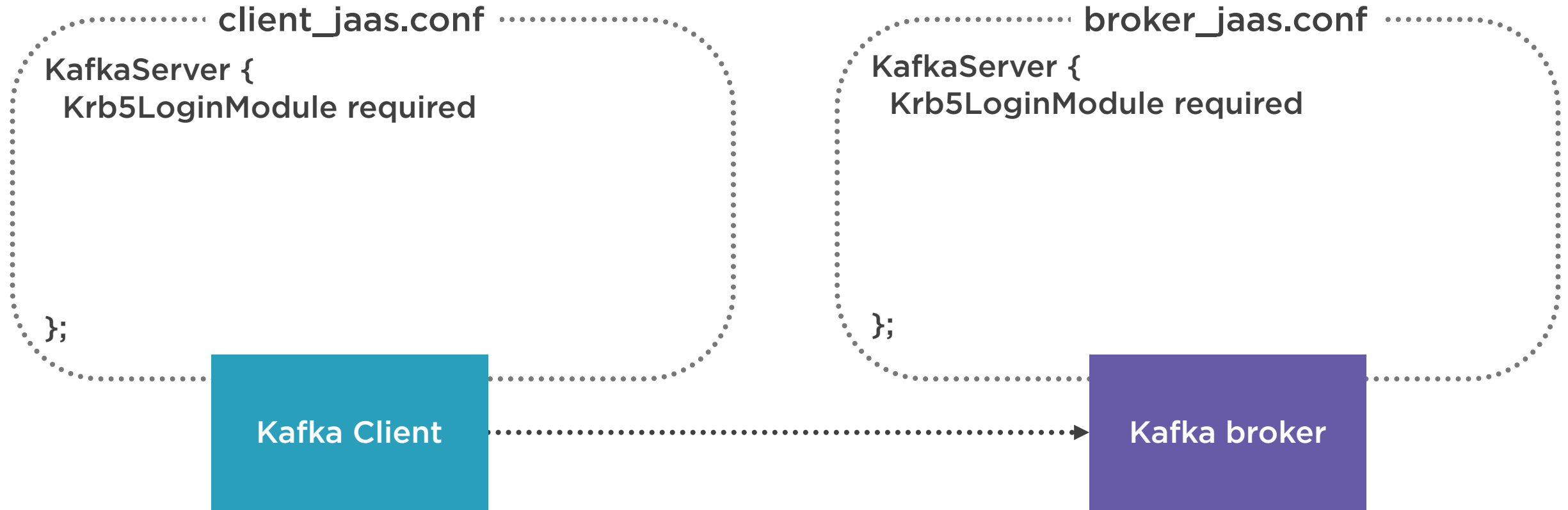
Set up SASL OAUTHBEARER



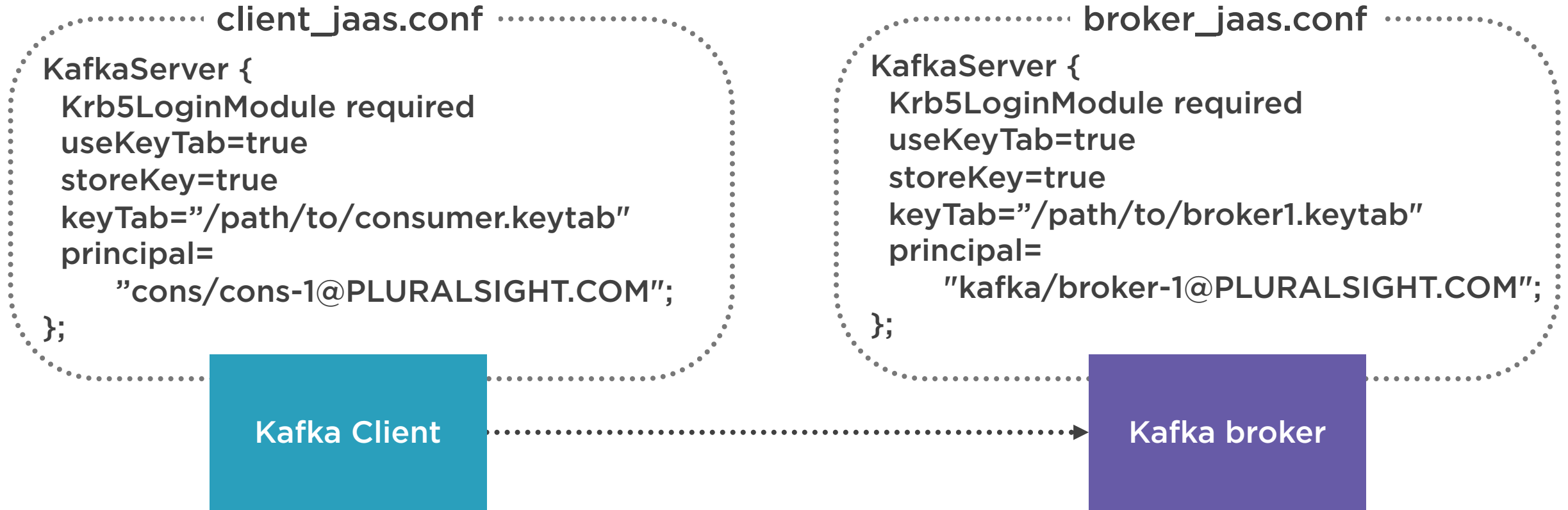
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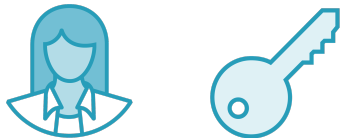


SASL GSSAPI

..... client_jaas.conf

```
KafkaServer {  
  Krb5LoginModule required  
  useKeyTab=true  
  storeKey=true  
  keyTab="/path/to/consumer.keytab"  
  principal=  
    "cons/cons-1@PLURALSIGHT.COM";  
};
```

Kafka Client



consumer.keytab

..... broker_jaas.conf

```
KafkaServer {  
  Krb5LoginModule required  
  useKeyTab=true  
  storeKey=true  
  keyTab="/path/to/broker1.keytab"  
  principal=  
    "kafka/broker-1@PLURALSIGHT.COM";  
};
```

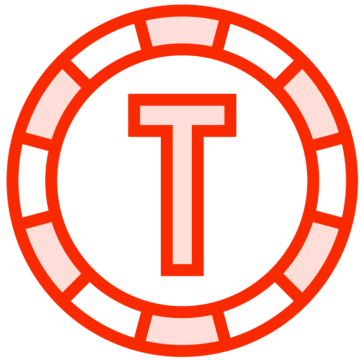
Kafka broker



broker-1.keytab

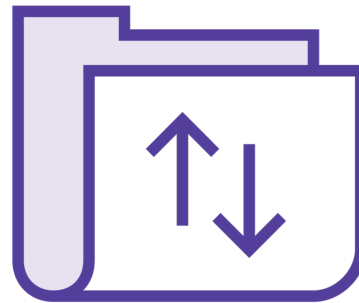


SASL GSSAPI Considerations



Pre-existing Kerberos

Check for Kerberos setups; e.g: Active Directory



Transport Layer

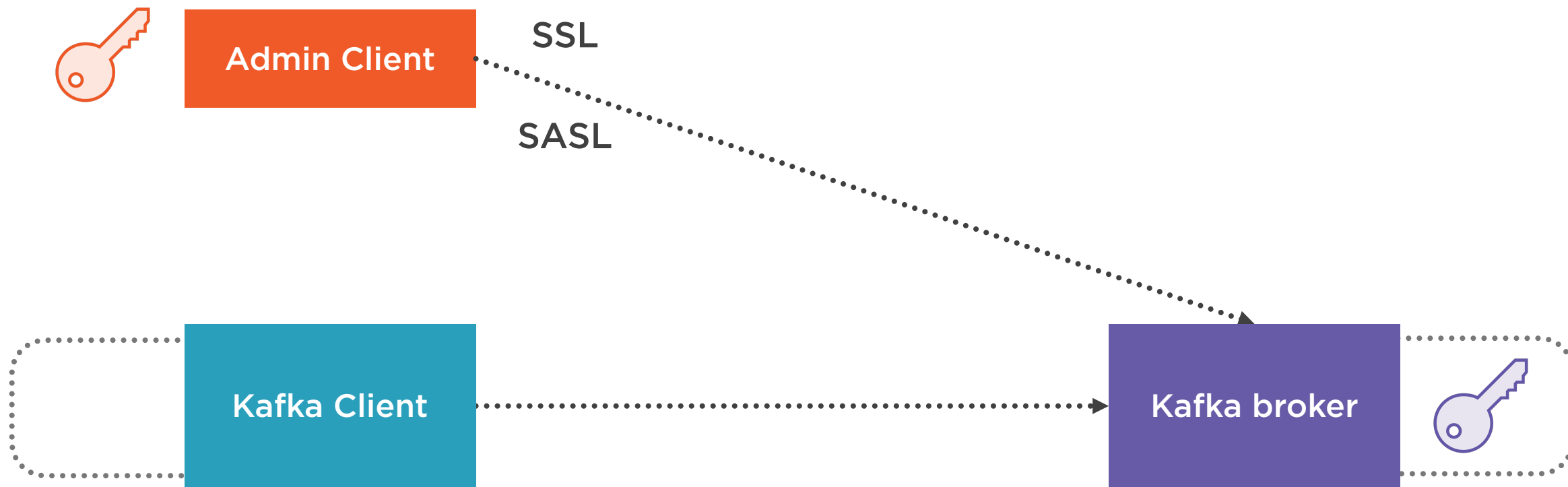
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Hosts reachable using hostnames

Kerberos relies heavily on hostnames

Delegation token

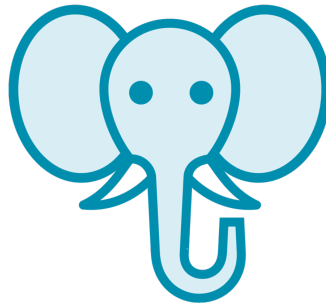


Delegation Token Considerations



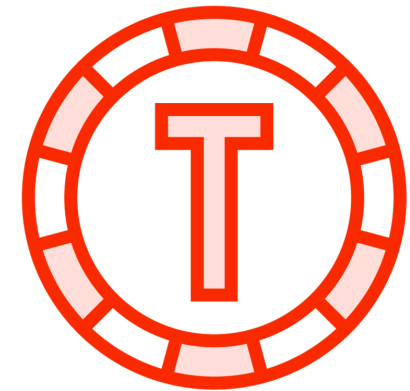
Shared Secret

All brokers must be configured with the same secret key



Secured Zookeeper

Token details are stored in Zookeeper



Token Renewal

Default 24h renewal period for up to 7 days

Demo



Set up SASL GSSAPI

