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Speaker introduction

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Agenda

1. What is Fandom
2. Status Quo
3. Challenges and Solutions

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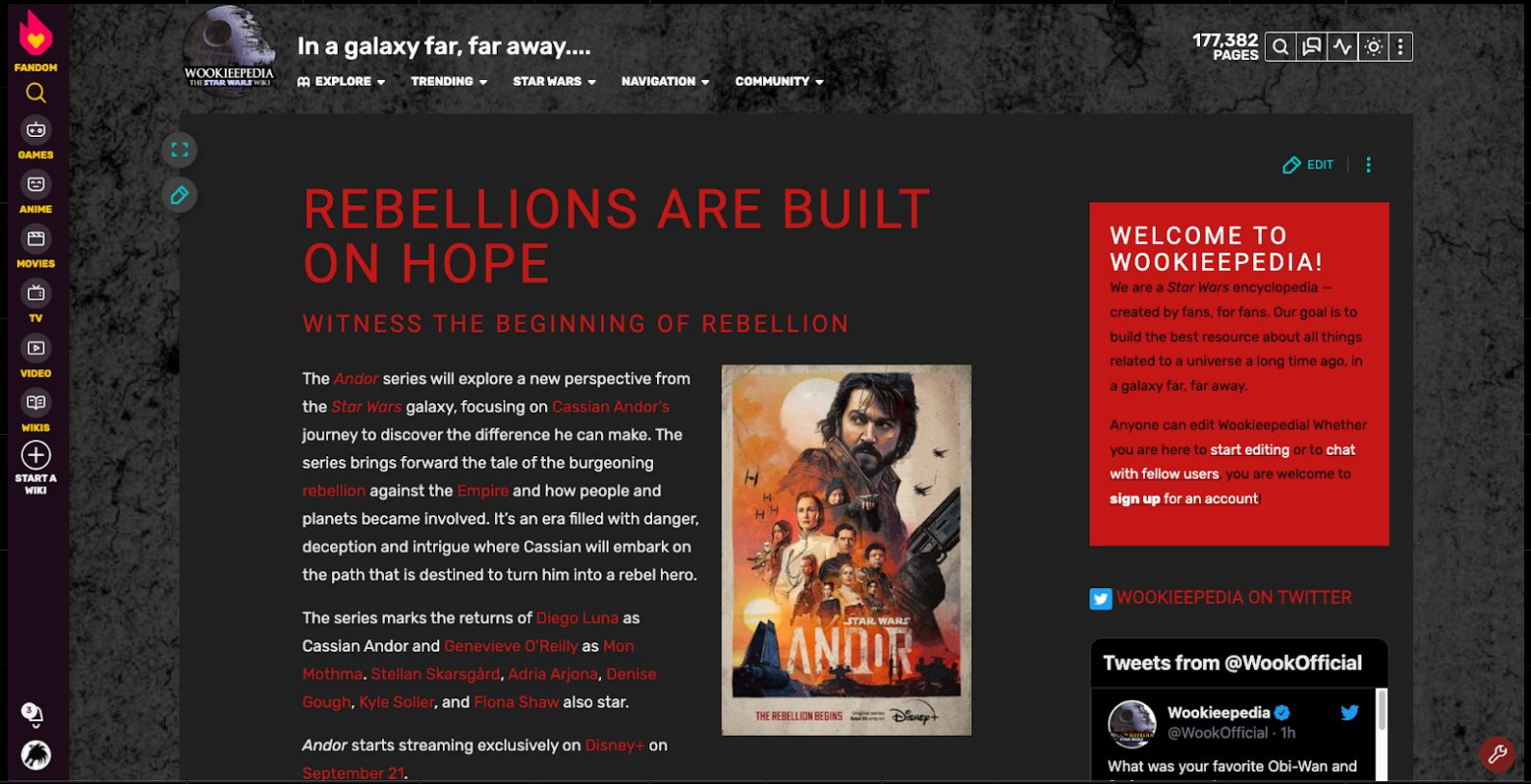

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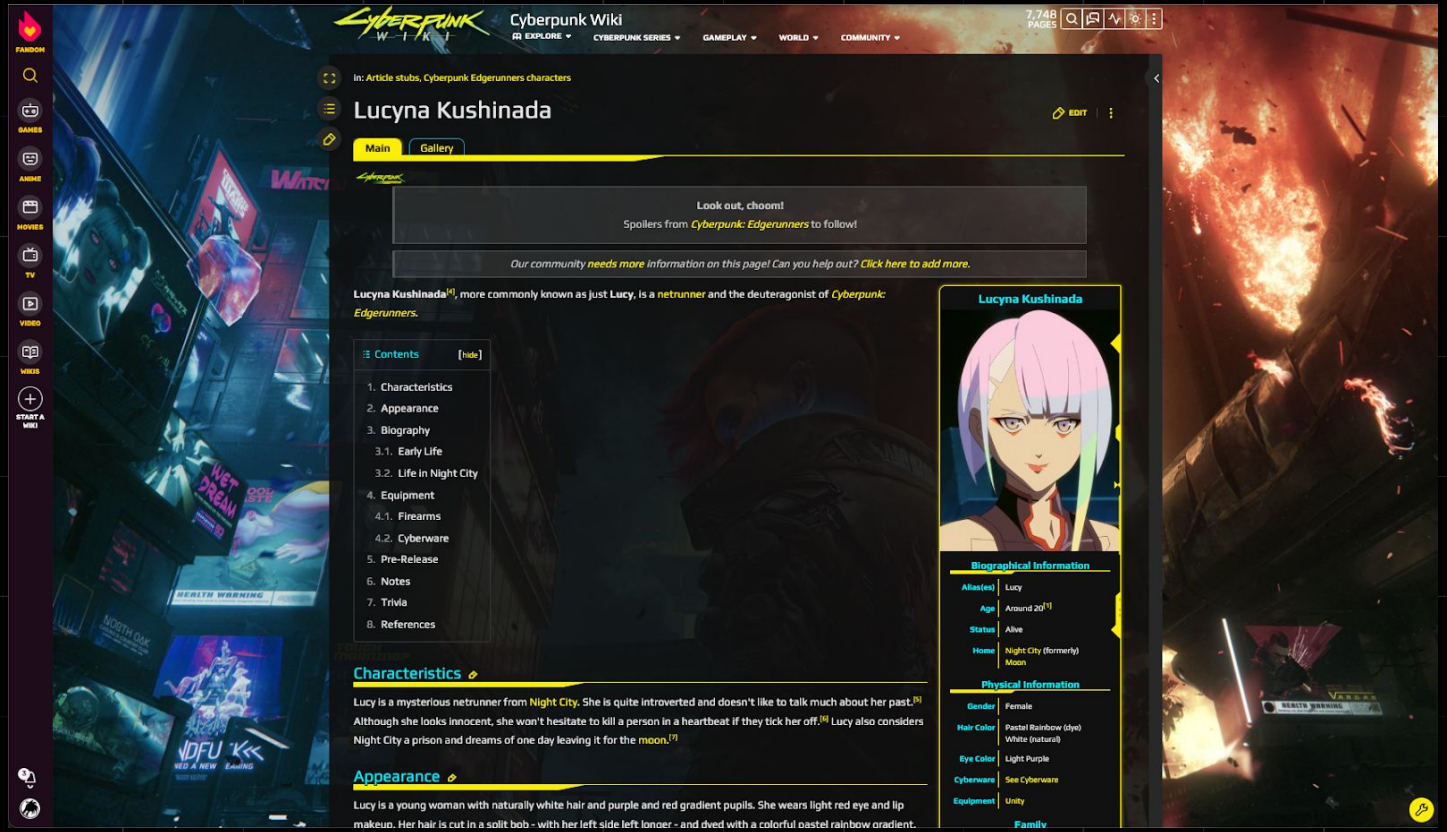
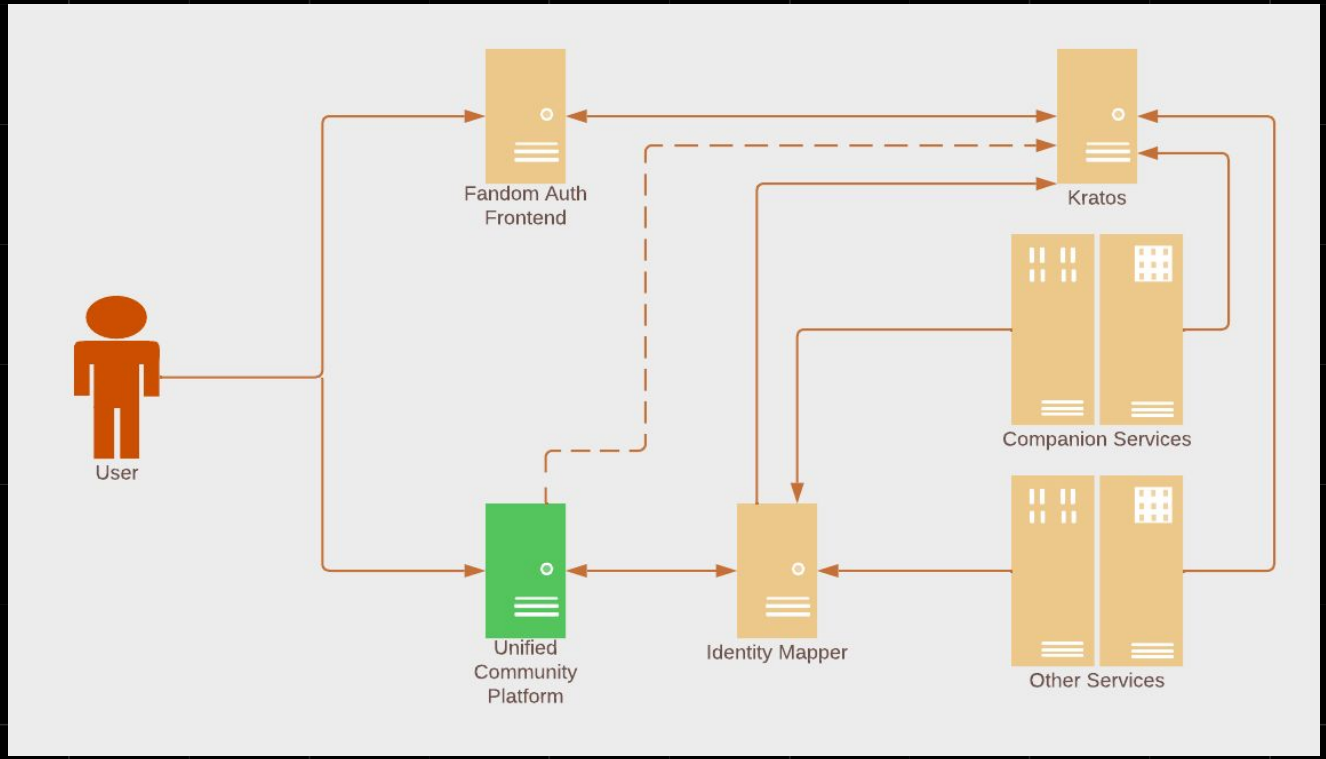


Fandom in numbers

30m+	Registered users
~2B	Page views per month
100k	Requests per second from our users
10k	Requests per second hitting our backend services
~800	Requests per second to our authentication services
200ms	Average response times

Status Quo

High level overview of Fandom's Authentication System



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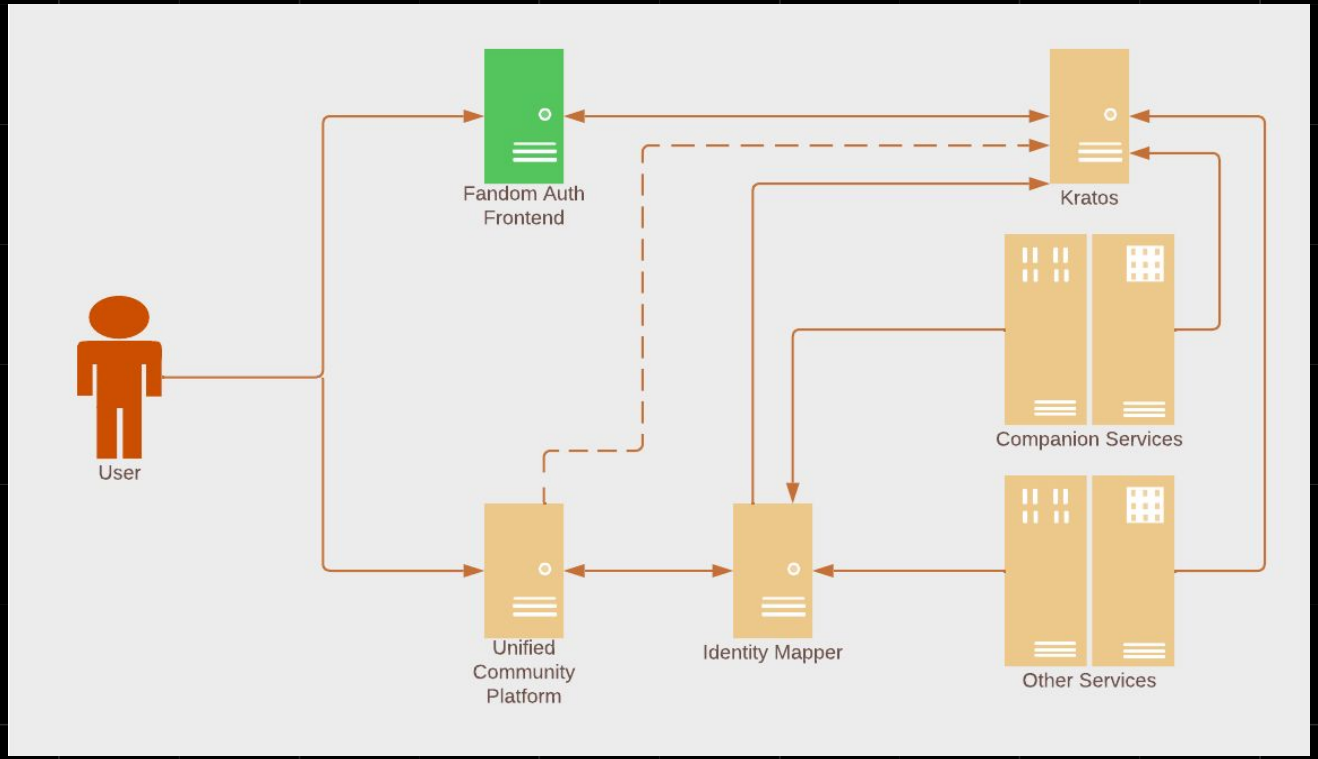

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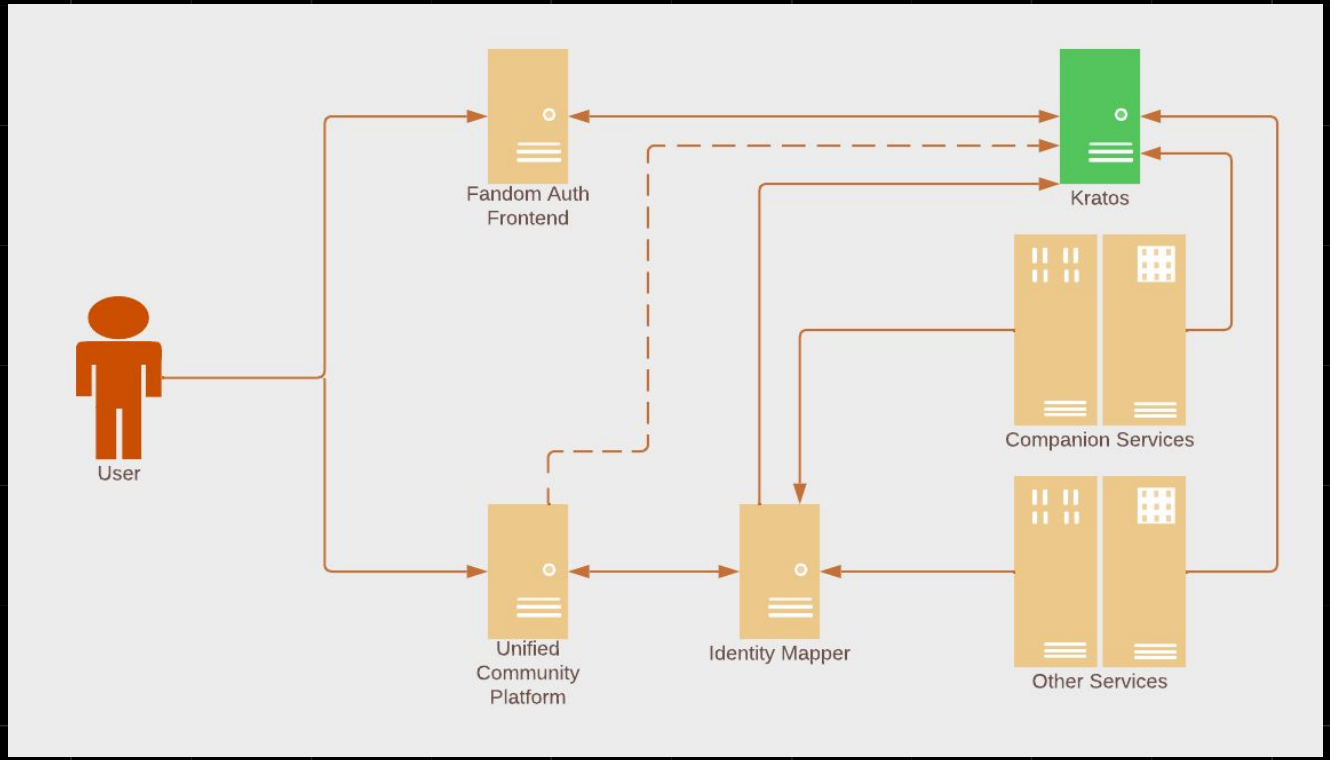

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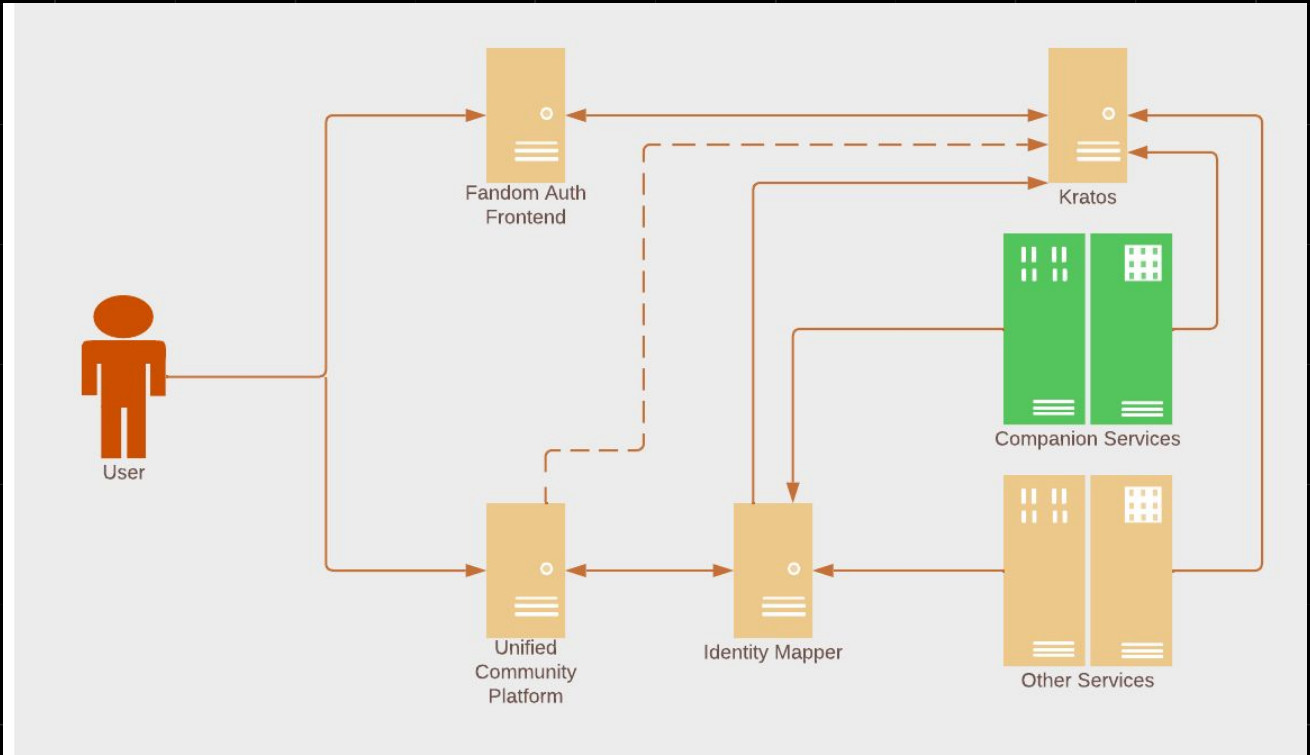

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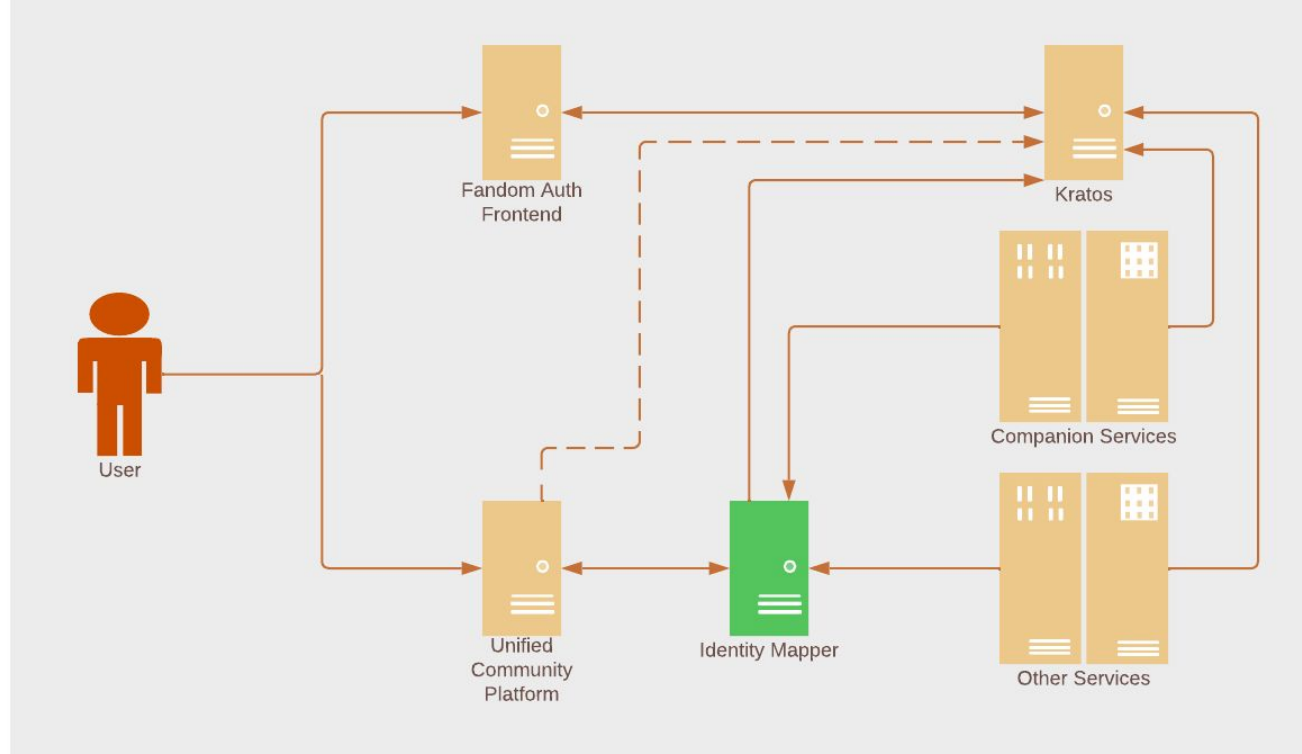


Why Ory/Kratos?

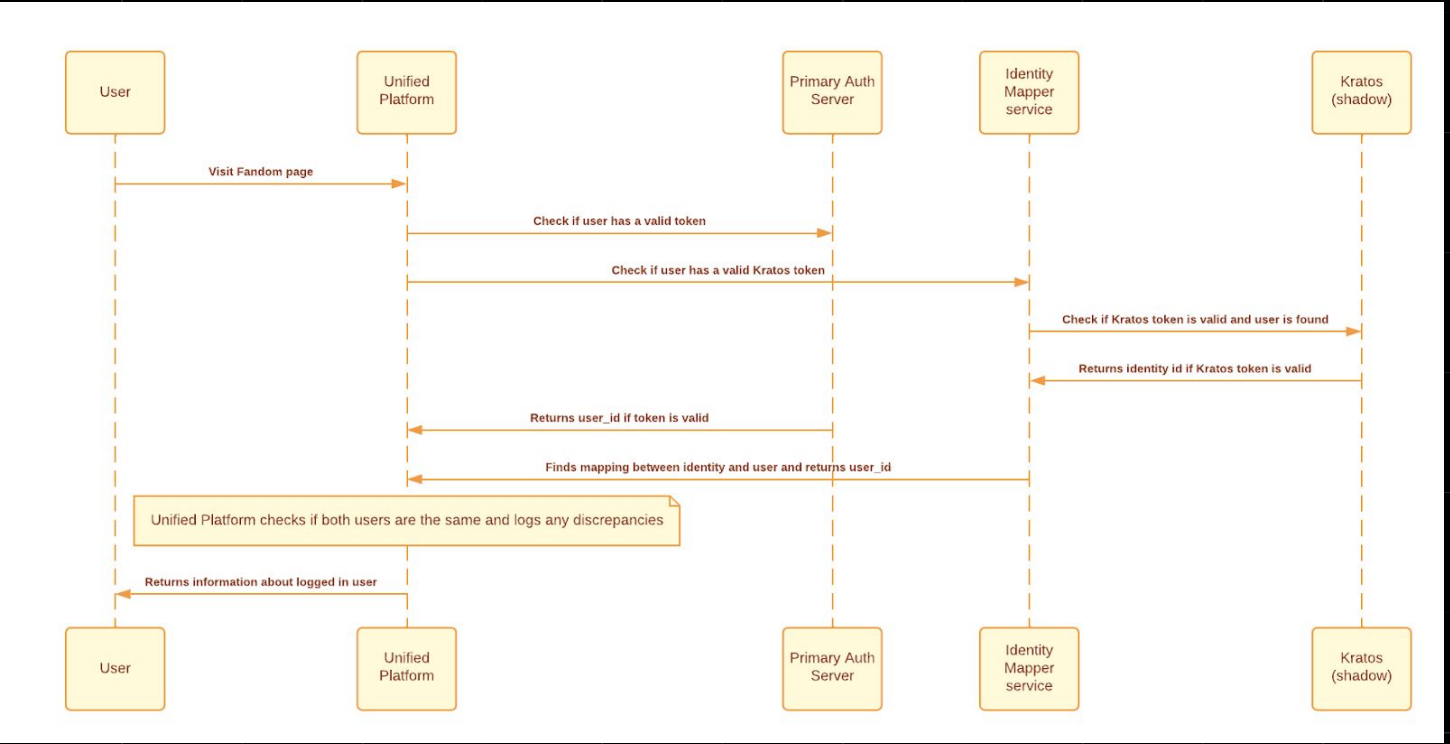
* Focused on Open Source
* Experience in authentication
* Projects are constantly evolving
* Responsiveness
* Lightweight
* Can be deployed to private k8s cluster
* Frontend agnostic and easily extensible

Performance and scalability

* 35M registered users is quite a lot
* 300M+ unique users visiting us monthly is challenging
* Unified Community Platform and our companion services adds complexity
* How to prove if new solution will handle our traffic?

The Solution

* **Run authentication services in shadow mode**



Data constraints and data consistency

* Keep identities in sync during migration to the new system
* Some processes have to run on both systems (RTBF, user rename, password change)

How? Webhooks and robust API

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* **Username constraints must be identical**

How? **Blocking Webhooks**

Q&A session