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- Lots of integrations (LDAP, GitHub, GitLab, SAML 2.0, OIDC)
- Maps external groups/users to Kubernetes groups/users
- Can be somewhat complex to setup

AWS IAM Authenticator

- Integrated by default with EKS
- Maps IAM users or roles to RBAC users or groups
- Kubernetes auth relies on AWS IAM identity
- Configured with a kube-system config map