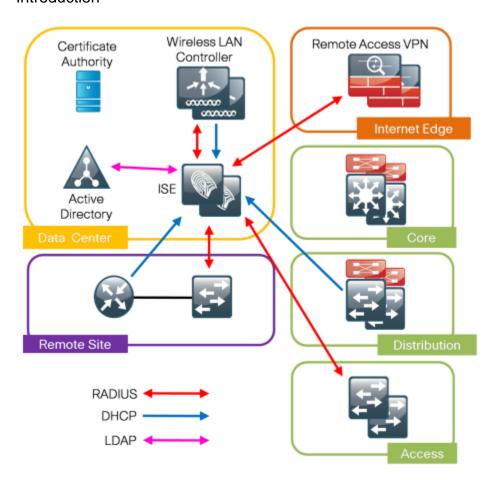
Windows Integrated 802.1x AAA Using Sx300/500 Switch and ISE and AD

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Introduction



Sx300/500 series switches can team together with Cisco ISE (Identity Service Engine) and Windows AD server to provide integrated 802.1x AAA (authentication/authorization/accounting) using Windows domain username/password for end user device.

Authentication

Users login to device using Windows domain username/password and Windows 802.1x client automatically use Windows username/password to authenticate user.

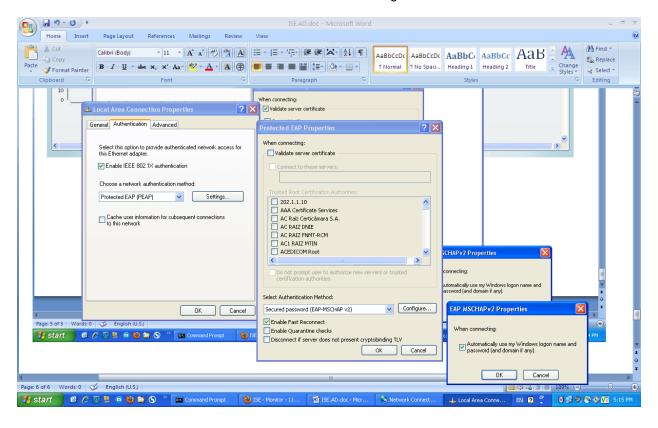
Authorization

User access port is in an un-authorized VLAN (VLAN 999 e.g.) before authentication. After user is authenticated, access port is assigned to authorized VLAN (VLAN 10 e.g.).

Accounting

Every user session duration is logged in AAA server via Radius message.

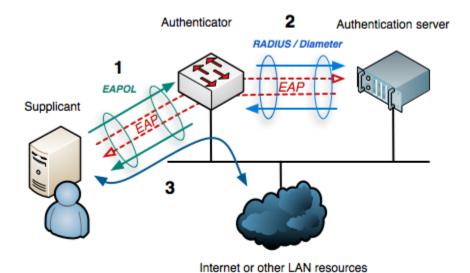
Windows 802.1x Client Configuration



Sx300/500 Switch Configuration

[Enable 802.1x]

dot1x system-auth-control



Supplicant is user, authenticator is switch, and authentication server is Radius server (ISE server).

[Radius Server and password]

encrypted radius-server host 111.111.1188 key cisco

[802.1x authentication via Radius Server]

aaa authentication dot1x default radius

[802.1x accounting]

aaa accounting dot1x

If accounting is enabled, switch will send "start" messages to Radius server when user login, and "stop" message when user log off. "Stop" message also includes session time of supplicant.

If a new supplicant replaces an old supplicant (even if port is still in authorized state), switch sends a "stop" message for old supplicant and "start" for new supplicant.

In multiple session mode (explained later), switch sends "start/stop" message for each supplicant.

In multiple host mode, switch sends "start/stop" message only for authenticated supplicant.

If port is force-authorized, switch does not send "start/stop" message.

Switch does not send "start/stop" message for guest VLAN and unauthenticated VLAN.

[Interface]

interface fastethernet1/2/3

[Enable 802.1x for port]

dot1x port-control [auto|force-authorized|force-unauthorized] [time-range time-range-name]

auto: enable 802.1x

force-authorized: put port into authorized state without authentication.

Force-unauthorized: put port into un-authorized state ignoring any user authentication.

Default is force-authorized, use "auto" to enable 802.1x authentication.

[802.1x host mode]

dot1x host-mode [multi-sessions| multi-host | single-host]

Multi-session: each host (source MAC) must be authenticated to grant network access.

Multi-host: one host authenticated for all hosts to access network.

Single-host: only one host can be authenticated to access network.

Port-security cannot be enabled on port with single-host or multiple session mode.

[802.1x reauthentication]

Either in global configuration mode

dot1x re-authenticate [interface-id]

If interface-id is omitted, apply to all ports.

Or in interface configuration mode

dot1x reauthentication

These commands enable periodic 802.1x re-authentication, the interval is configured via dot1x timeout reauth-period *seconds*

default 3600s

[Authorization dynamic VLAN assignment]

dot1x radius-attributes vlan [reject | vlan-id]

After authentication, Radius server will pass authorized VLAN via TLV to switch. Switch will dynamically assign this VLAN to user access port.

Reject: if Radius server does not provide VLAN information, supplicant is rejected.

Vlan-id: if Radius server does not provide VLAN information, supplicant is accepted and the configured vlan is assigned to the port.

[Guest VLAN]

If the guest vlan is defined and enabled for port, the port is in guest vlan when the port is unauthorized and leaves it when the port becomes authorized. To be able to join or leave guest vlan, the port should not be a static member of the guest VLAN.

interface vlan 300

dot1x guest-vlan

interface gi1/0

dot1x guest-vlan enable

[MAC authentication]

Authenticate user by MAC, switch uses supplicant MAC as username/password to authentication user. Radius server should recognized user by MAC as name and password.

Guest vlan must be enabled when MAC authentication is enabled.

Static MAC cannot be authorized. Do not change an authenticated MAC to static MAC.

Do not delete authenticated MAC.

Reauthentication must be enabled.

Interface gi1/0

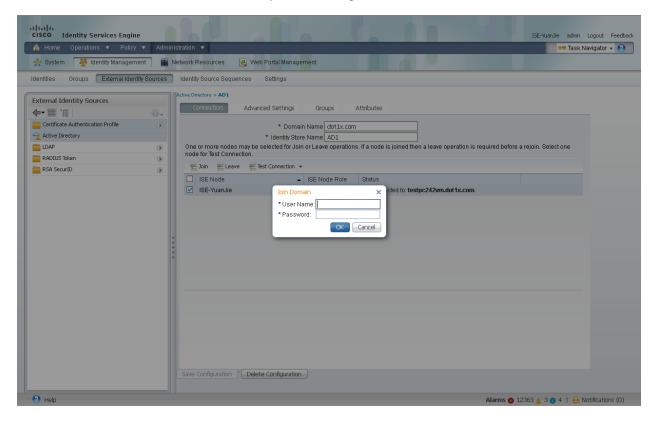
do1x mac-authentication [mac-only| mac-and-802.1x]

mac-only: ignore 802.1x

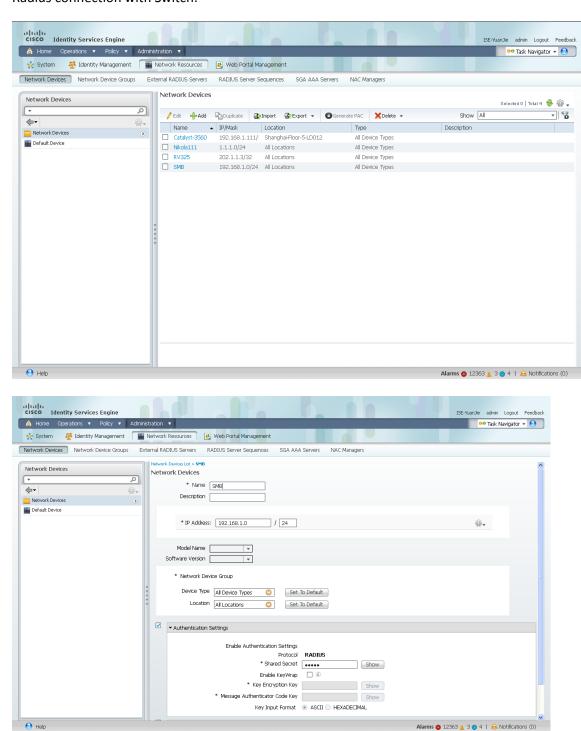
mac-and-802.1x: both mac and 802.1x

ISE Configuration

Connect to Windows AD as external identity source using domain administrator

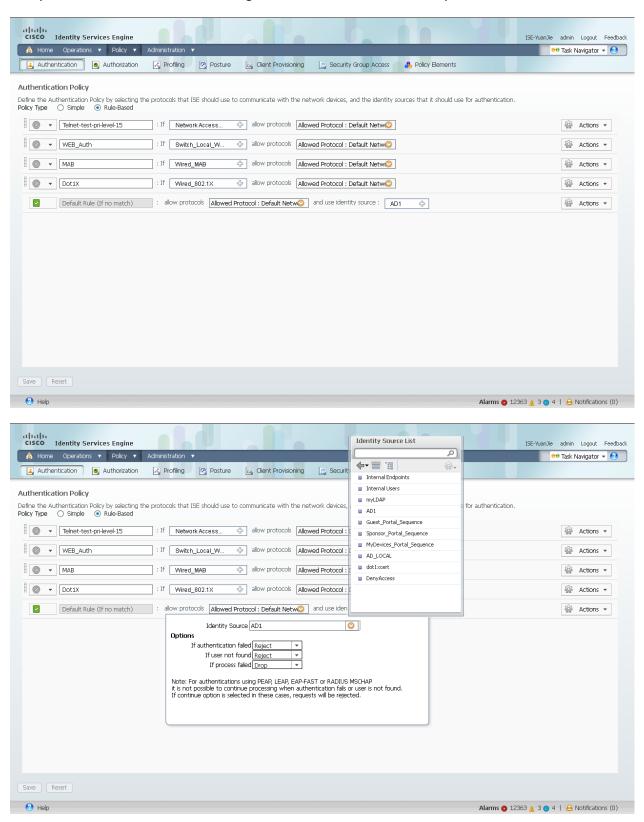


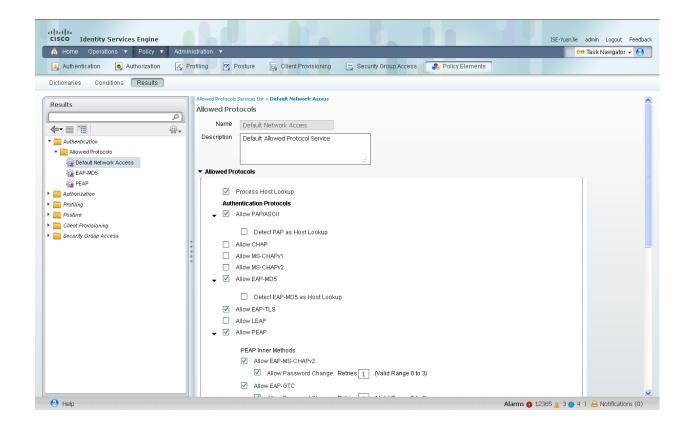
Radius connection with Switch:



Authentication

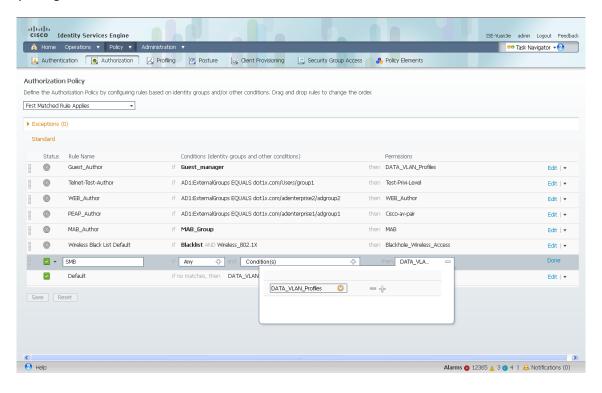
Policy: default network connection using Windows AD as external identity source

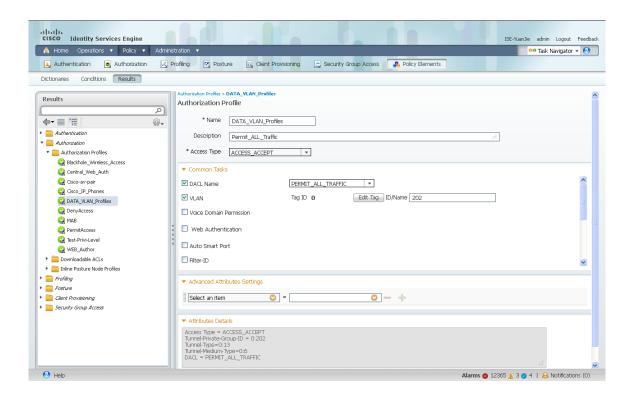




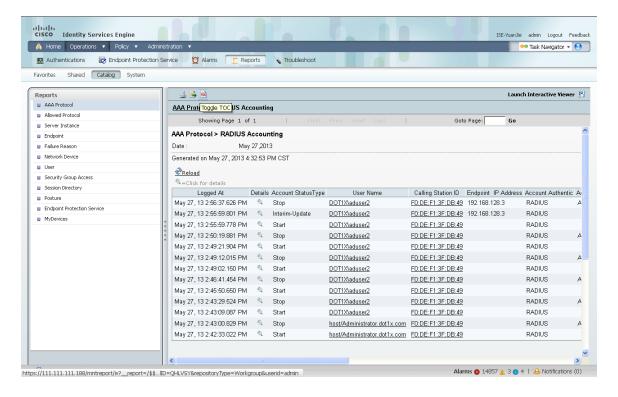
Authorization

policy: assign user VLAN after authentication





Accounting



Status Report

