

CISSP Study Group: Identity and Access Management (IAM)

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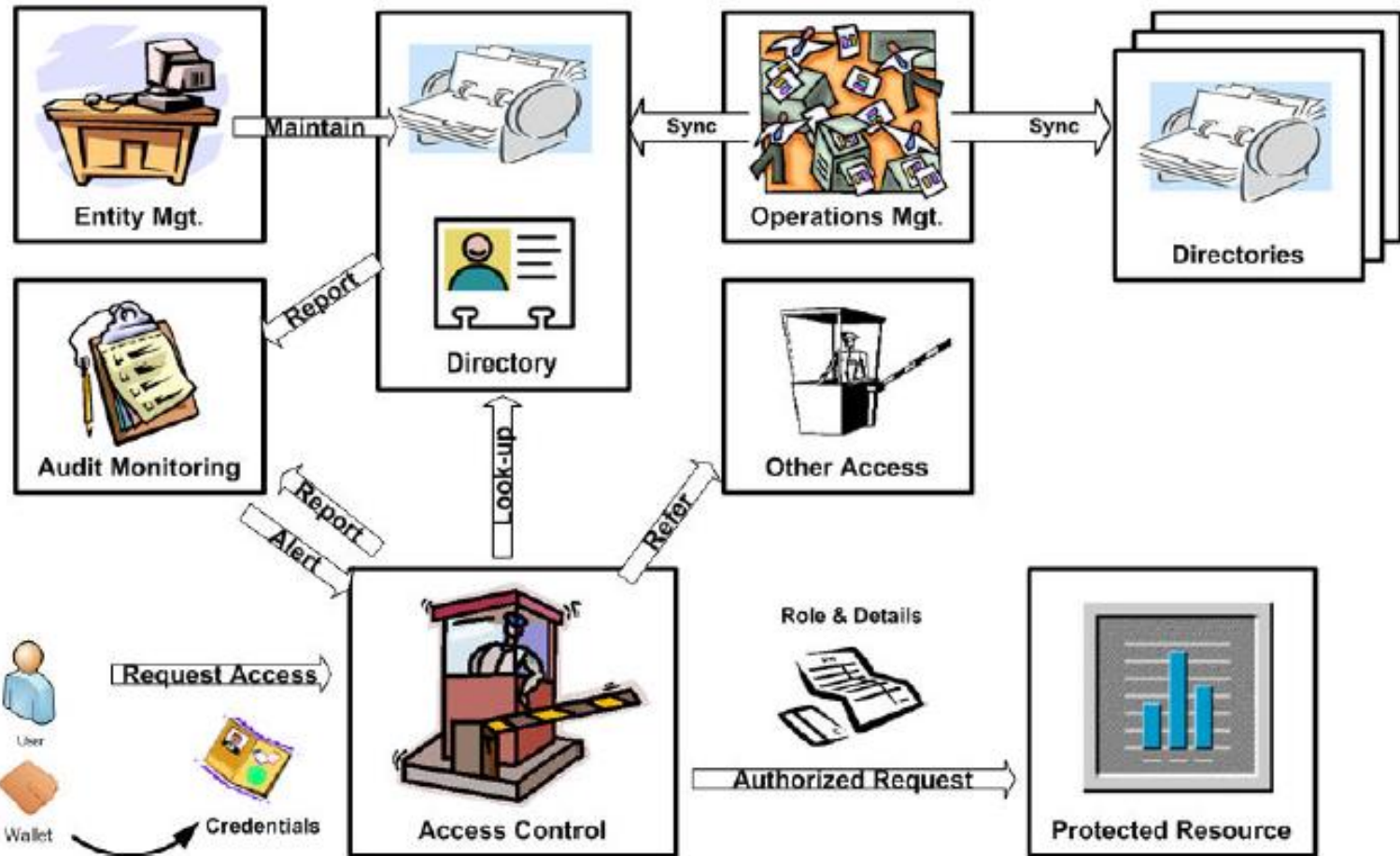
CISSP Domain #5

Identity and Access Management

- A. Physical and logical assets control
- B. Identification and authentication of people and devices
- C. Identity as a service (e.g. cloud identity)
- D. Third-party identity services (e.g. on-premise)
- E. Authorization mechanisms
- F. Access control attacks
- G. Identity and access provisioning lifecycle (e.g. provisioning review)



Identity and Access Management Conceptual Model



AAA

- ▶ **Authentication (AuthN)**
 - ▶ Who is doing the activity
- ▶ **Authorization (AuthZ)**
 - ▶ What can they do
- ▶ **Accounting (Audit)**
 - ▶ Who/What/When/Where did it happen



5A: Physical and Logical Access

- ▶ Subject (Ex: User)
- ▶ Object (Ex: File)
- ▶ Access Controls
 - ▶ Preventative (Try to prohibit)
 - ▶ Deterrent (Try do discourage)
 - ▶ Detective
 - ▶ Corrective
 - ▶ Etc...



5B: Identification & Authentication

Identification

- ▶ “Claiming” an Identity
 - ▶ I am “Scott Forbes”
 - ▶ I am user “scottf”

Authentication (AuthN)

- ▶ “Verifying” the claim
 - ▶ Something you Know
 - ▶ Something you Have
 - ▶ Something you Are
 - ▶ Biometric Accuracy
 - False Reject Rate (FRR)
 - False Acceptance Rate (FAR)
 - Crossover Error Rate (CER)
 - ▶ Multi-Factor



Directories

- ▶ “Special” kinds of databases
 - ▶ Optimized for Search/Read access
 - ▶ Replicated and synchronized
 - ▶ Highly Available
 - ▶ Shared
 - ▶ “Owned” by Ops, not AppDev
 - ▶ Enterprise Roles/Groups
 - ▶ Typically not fine-grained Application Roles
 - ▶ Examples
 - ▶ Microsoft Active Directory
 - ▶ X.500 Directory Service
 - ▶ Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)
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Authorization (AuthZ)

- ▶ **Functional (What can I do)**
 - ▶ Create, Read, Update, Delete (CRUD)
- ▶ **Data (What objects can I access)**
 - ▶ Accounts
 - ▶ Users (Manager sees their direct reports)



Distributed Applications and Organizations

- ▶ Centralized Access Control
- ▶ Distributed Access Control
- ▶ Single Sign On (SSO) within an Organization
- ▶ Federated Access Control
 - ▶ SAML
 - ▶ Other token based authentication
 - ▶ Kerberos
 - ▶ SESAME
 - ▶ RADIUS
 - ▶ Diameter
 - ▶ TACACS(+)
 - ▶ PAP and CHAP



Digital Certificates

- ▶ **Server Authentication**
 - ▶ HTTPS: Server Certificate
- ▶ **Client Authentication**
 - ▶ HTTPS: w/ Client Certificate
- ▶ **Secure Shell (SSH) Keys**
 - ▶ Generate a public-private key pair on the server
 - ▶ Install the public key on your SSH client(s)
 - ▶ Configure SSH software to authN with the server key



Federated IdM

<http://www.softwaresecured.com/2013/07/16/federated-identities-openid-vs-saml-vs-oauth/>

▶ SAML:

- ▶ Service Provider (SP) asks ID provider (IdP) to authenticate the Principle (P) with signed request containing the Security Assertion(I am scott@abc.com)

▶ OpenID: Federated Identification/AuthN

▶ OAuth2: Federated AuthZ



5C: Identity as a service (IDaaS)

Figure 1. Magic Quadrant for Identity and Access Management as a Service



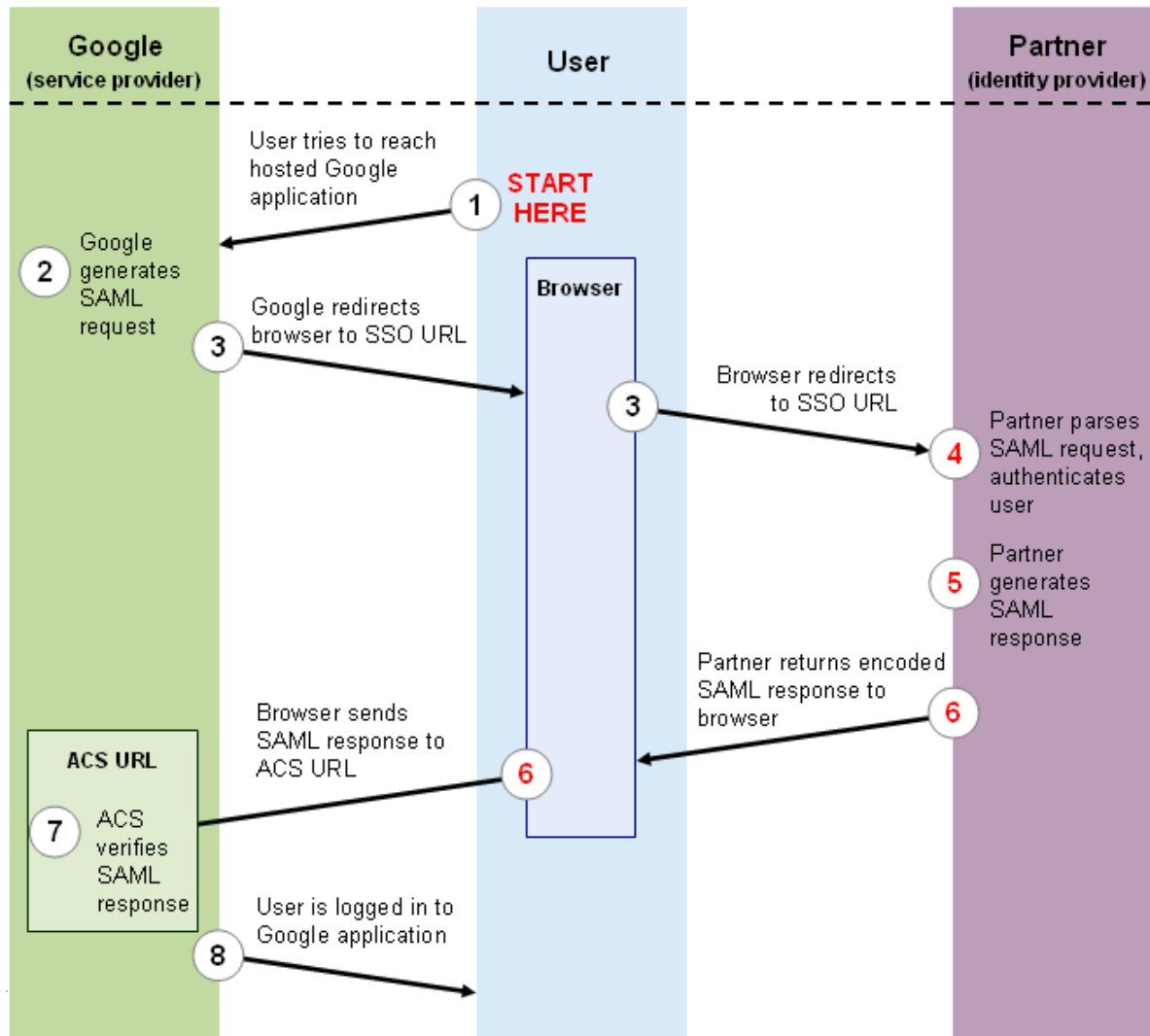
5D: Third-party identity services

- ▶ Cloud Identity
- ▶ Directory Sync
- ▶ Federated Identity



SAML: Security Assertion Markup Language

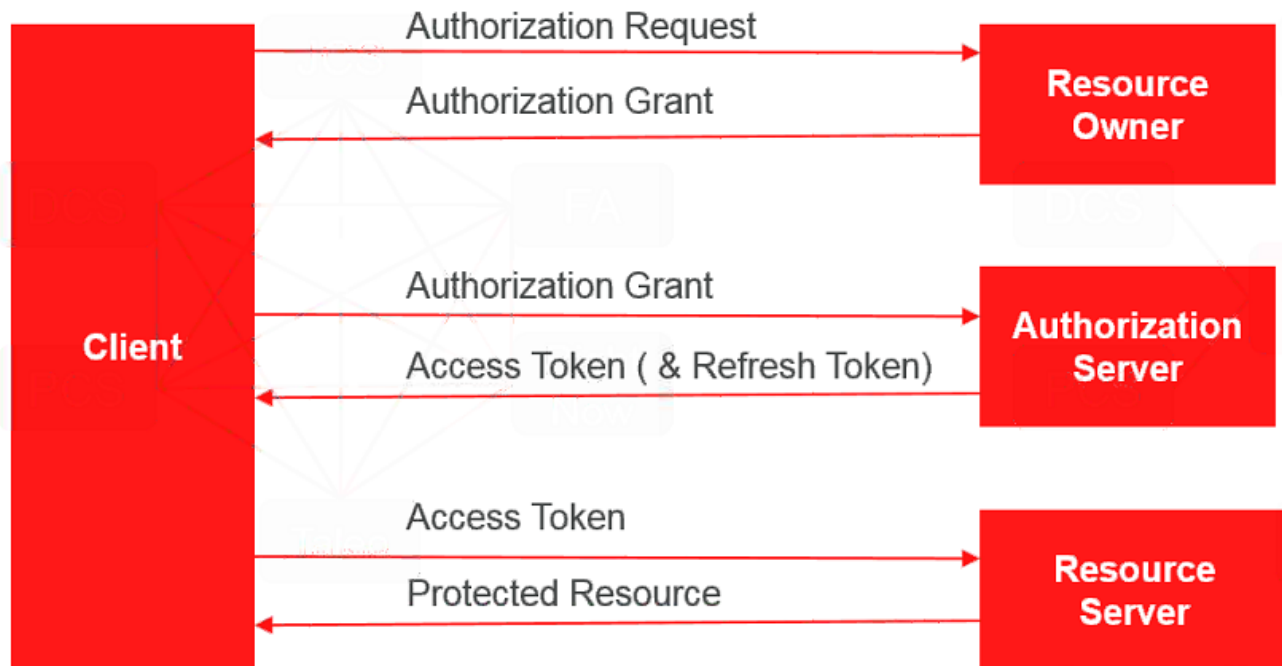
SAML Transaction Steps



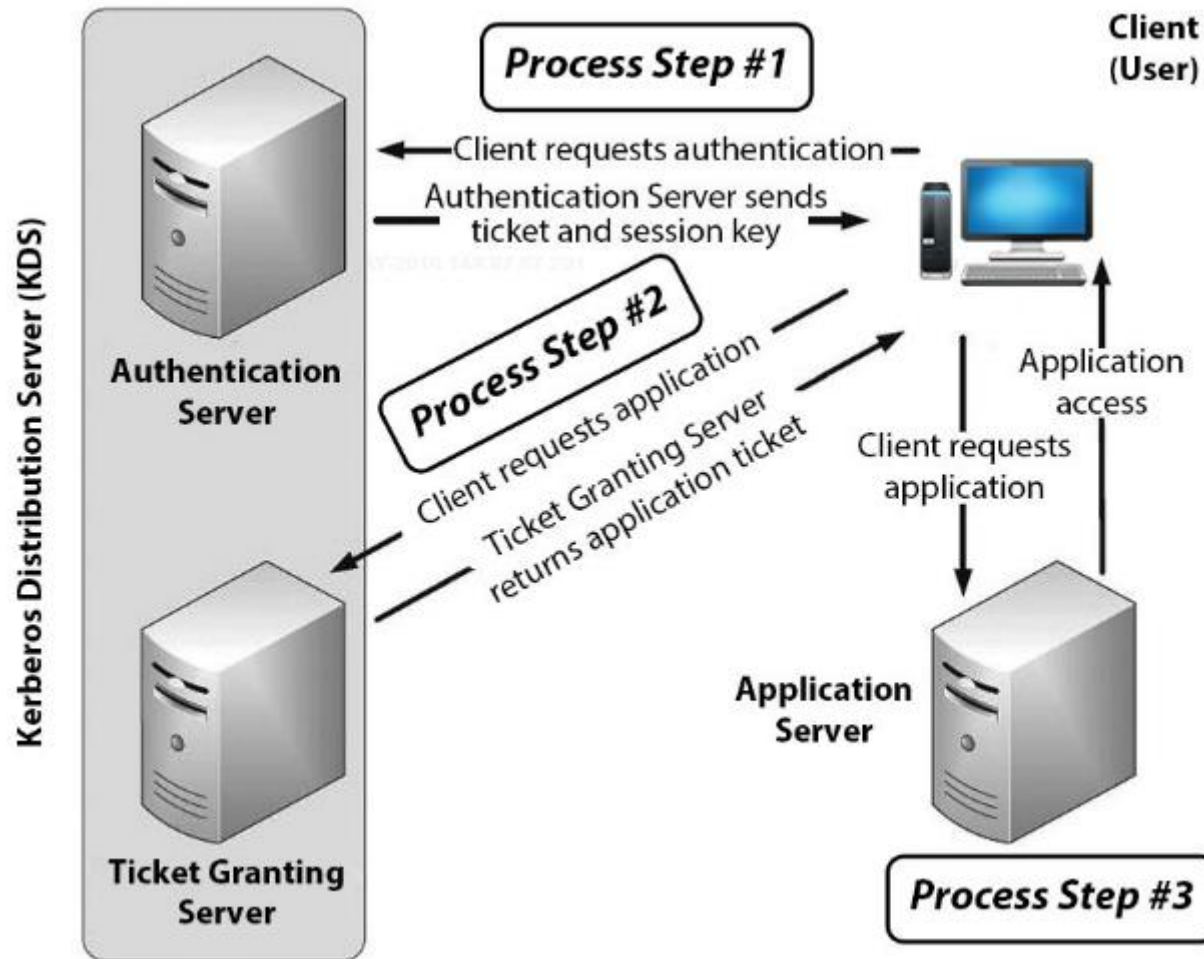
OAuth2

OAuth Flow

Abstract flow



Kerberos



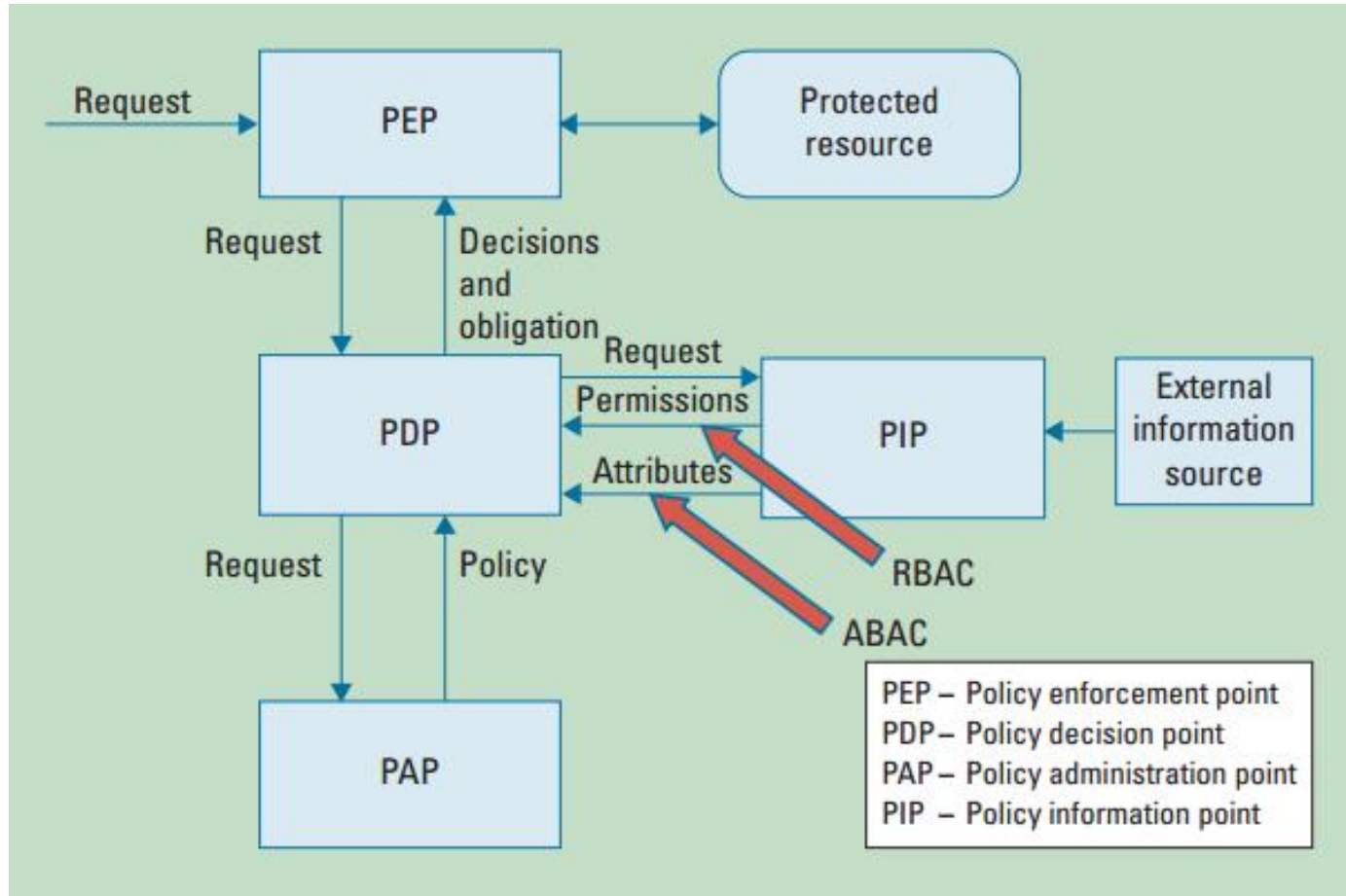
5E: AuthZ Mechanisms

- ▶ **Discretionary Access Control (DAC)**
 - ▶ Data Owner grants access to others as they choose
- ▶ **Mandatory Access Control (MAC)**
 - ▶ Central Security grants access to specific users
- ▶ **Role-Based Access Control (RBAC)**
 - ▶ Group is a collection of users and/or other groups
 - ▶ Makes it easier to manage similar users
 - ▶ Role is a collection of permissions and/or other roles
 - ▶ Roles can be modified by time of day, location of access, etc.
- ▶ **Attribute Based Access Control (ABAC)**
 - ▶ Access is controlled by attributes of the resource.



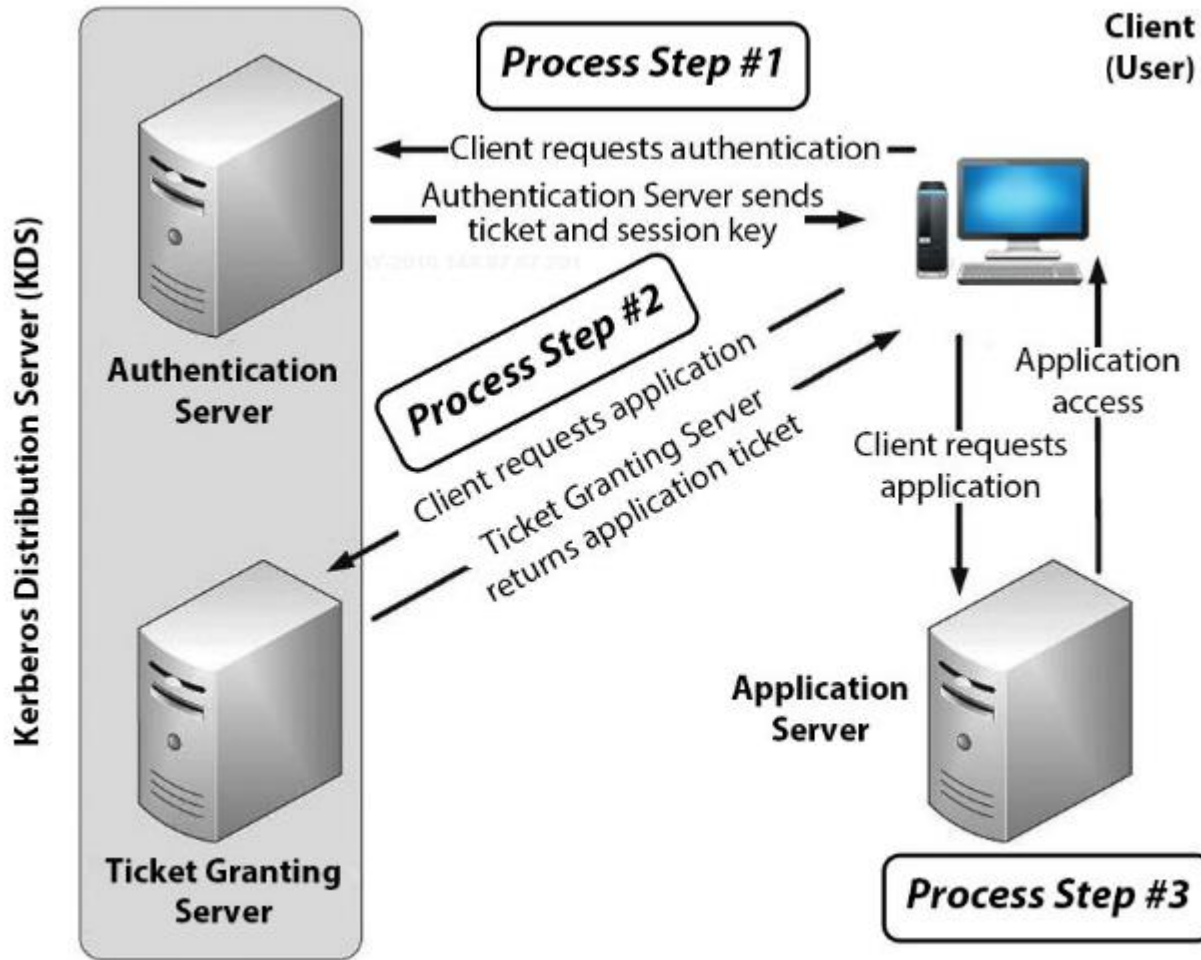
Enforcing RBAC and ABAC

See: [ABAC and RBAC - NIST](#)



Kerberos: Network AuthN Protocol

See: CISSP CBK



5F: Access control attacks

- ▶ Control Physical Access
- ▶ Protect Credentials
 - ▶ One-Way Encryption (aka Hashing) is best practice
- ▶ Multi-factor AuthN
- ▶ Account Lockout or Throttling
- ▶ Last Login Notification
- ▶ Educate Users
- ▶ Audit Access
- ▶ Manage Accounts
- ▶ Vulnerability Scanners



5G: Access Provisioning Lifecycle

- ▶ Provisioning
- ▶ Review
- ▶ Revocation

