



Migrating Your LAN to IEEE 802.1X

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Session Objectives

At the end of the session, you should understand:

- How 802.1X works
- The benefits of deploying 802.1X
- How to configure and deploy 802.1X using Cisco switches, ACS 5.1 and various supplicants.
- How to integrate existing technologies such as IP telephony, guest access, PXE, etc
- The value and application of deployment scenarios
- How to make this work when you get back to your lab

You should also:

- Provide us with feedback!

Identity and Authentication Overview

Why Identity Is Important

1



Who are you?

802.1X (or supplementary method)
authenticates the user

Keep the
Outsiders Out

2



Where can you go?

Based on authentication, user is
placed in correct VLAN

Keep the
Insiders
Honest

3



What service level to you receive?

The user can be given per-user
services (ACLs today, more to come)

Personalize
the Network

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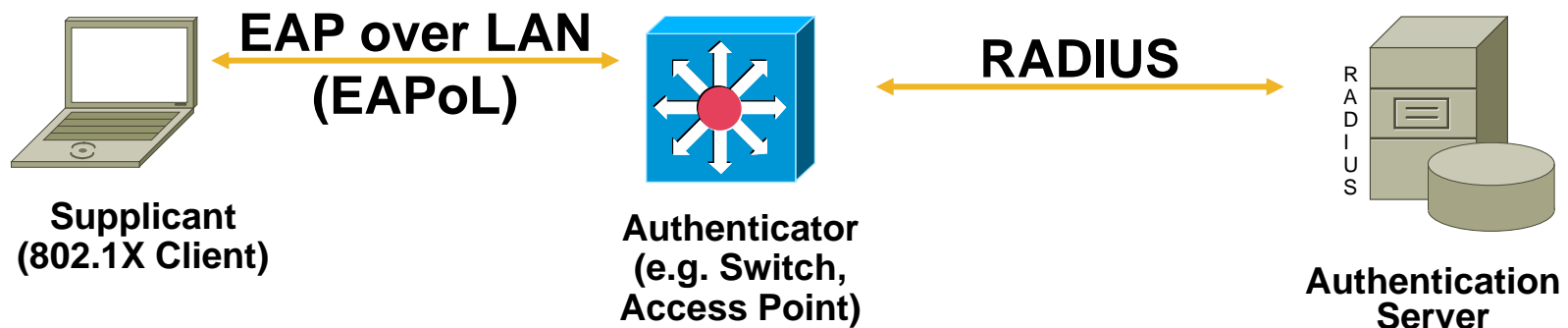


What are you doing?

The user's identity and location can
be used for tracking and accounting

Increase
Network
Visibility

IEEE 802.1X: The Foundation of Identity



- ✓ IEEE 802.1 working group standard
- ✓ Provides **port-based** access control using **authentication**

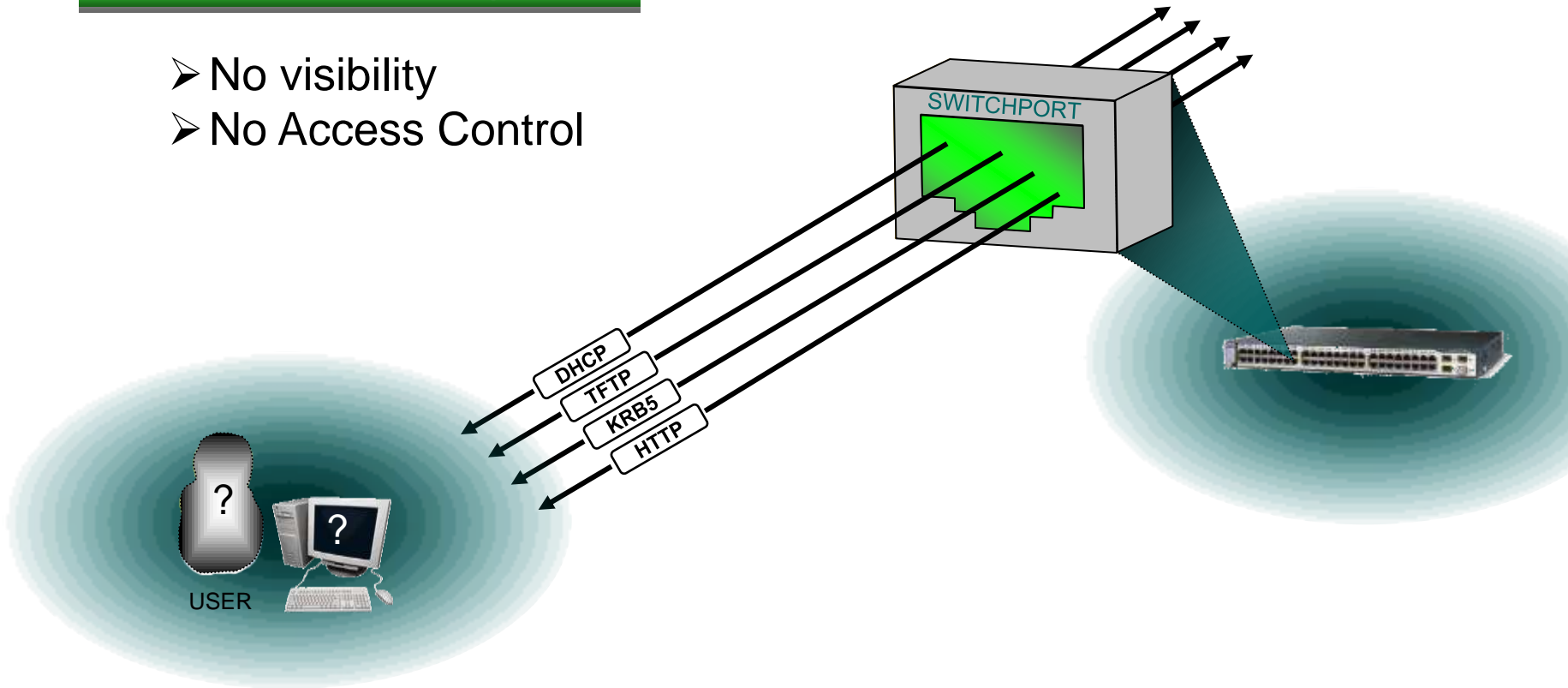
Enforcement via MAC-based filtering and port-state monitoring

Defines encapsulation for Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP) over IEEE 802 media—“EAPoL”

Default Port State without 802.1X

No Authentication Required

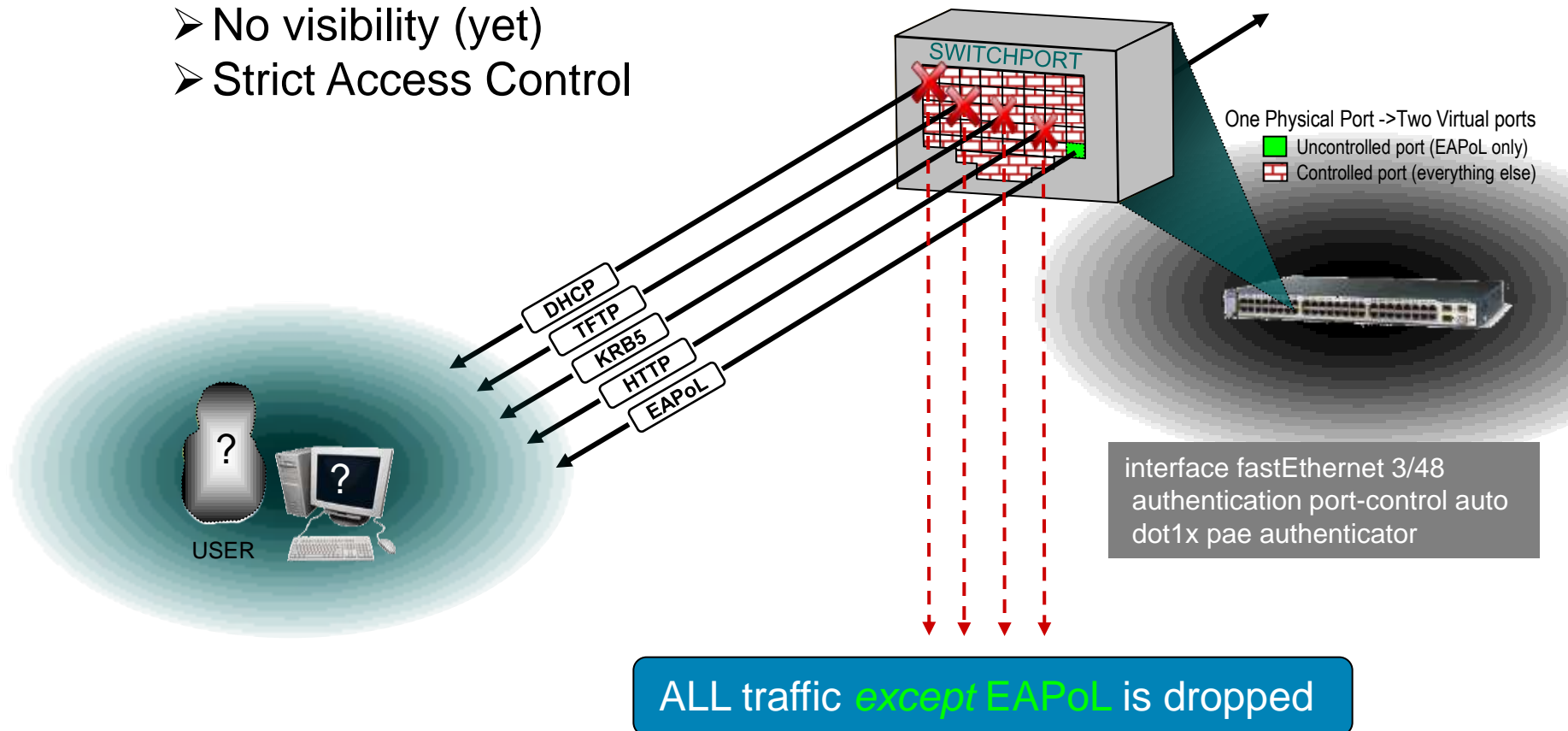
- No visibility
- No Access Control



Default Security with 802.1X

Before Authentication

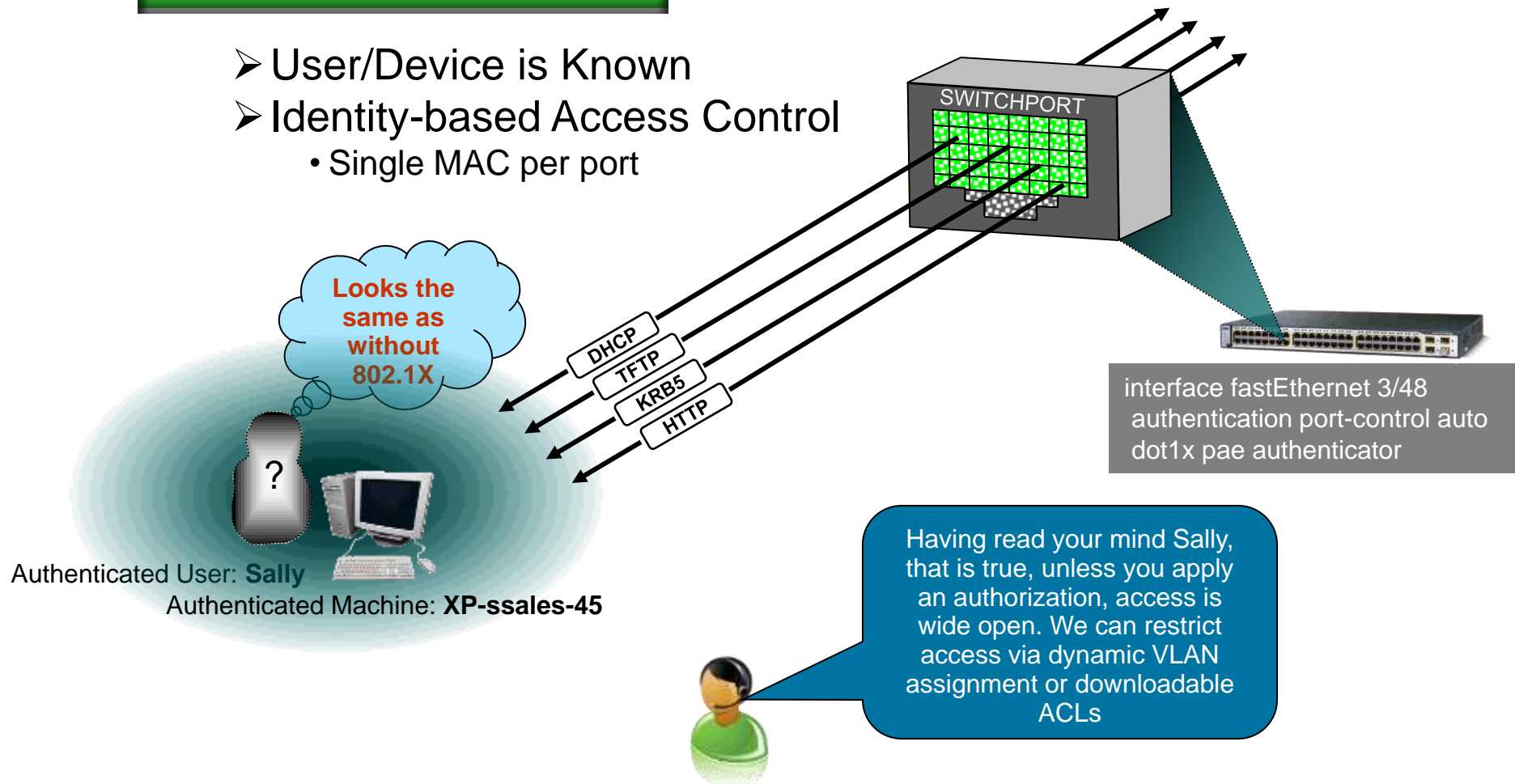
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- Strict Access Control



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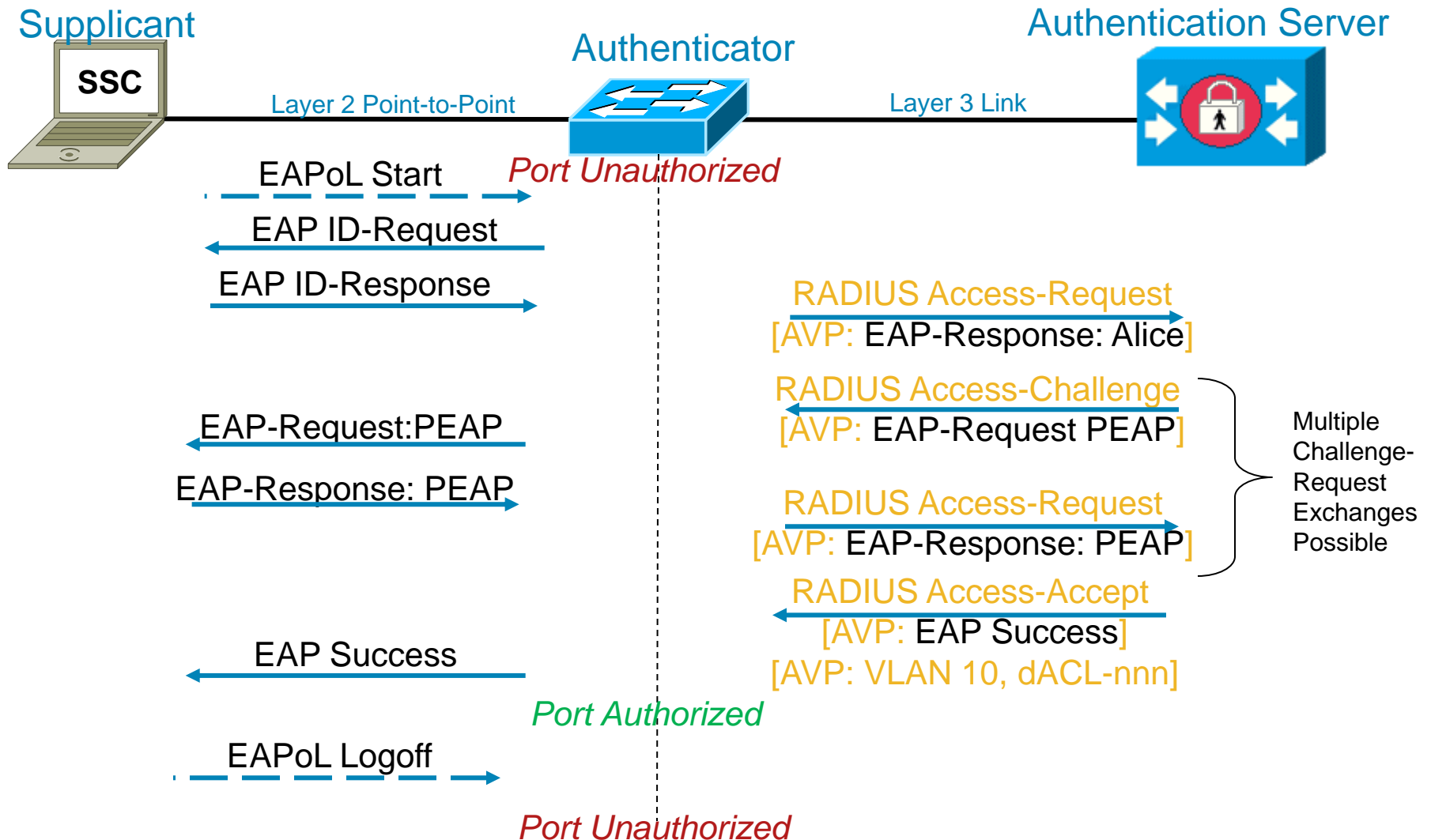
After Authentication

- User/Device is Known
- Identity-based Access Control
 - Single MAC per port



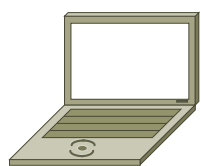
Identity and Authentication 802.1X, EAP, and RADIUS

A Closer Look at 802.1X

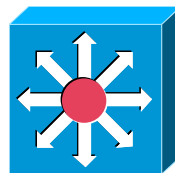
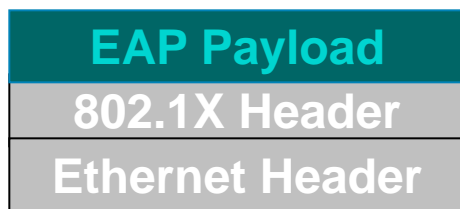


What Does EAP Do?

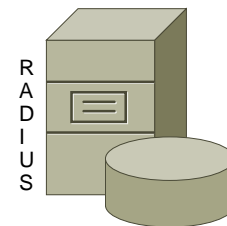
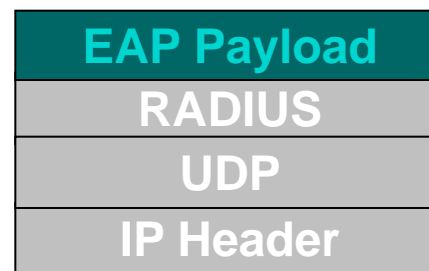
- Establishes and manages connection
- Allows authentication by encapsulating various types of authentication exchanges
 - Actual authentication exchanges are called *EAP Methods*
- Provides a flexible link layer security framework
 - Can run over any link layer (PPP, 802, etc.)
- Defined by RFC 3748



Supplicant



Authenticator



Authentication Server

EAP Authentication Methods

Challenge-response-based

- **MD5:** uses MD5 based challenge-response for authentication
- **LEAP:** username/password authentication
- **EAP-MSCHAPv2:** username/password MSCHAPv2 challenge-response authentication

Cryptographic-based

- **EAP-TLS:** x.509 v3 PKI certificates and the TLS mechanism for authentication

Tunneling methods

- **PEAP:** encapsulates other EAP types in an encrypted tunnel
- **EAP-TTLS:** encapsulates other EAP types in an encrypted tunnel
- **EAP-FAST:** designed to not require client certificates

Other

- **EAP-GTC:** generic token and OTP authentication
- **EAP-SIM :** SIM-based authentication

Tunneling Methods

- Some EAP methods setup an encrypted tunnel and pass credentials through the tunnel
- Anonymous outer identity - Provides the ability to completely obfuscate the user's credentials

SSC / ACS – Yes

Windows Native / IAS - No

- Some EAP methods require an EAP method inside the tunnel (PEAP and FAST)
- Some EAP methods do not require an EAP method inside the tunnel (TTLS) – used with legacy RADIUS

EAP Protocols: Feature Support

	EAP-TLS	PEAP	EAP-FAST
Single Sign-on	Yes	Yes	Yes
Login Scripts (Active Directory)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Password Expiration (AD)	N/A	Yes	Yes
Client and OS Availability	SSC, XP, Win7 and Others	SSC, XP, Win7 and Others	SSC, Win7 and Others
MS DB Support	Yes	Yes	Yes
LDAP DB Support	Yes	Yes	Yes
OTP Support	No	Yes	Yes
Off-line Dictionary Attacks	No	No	No
Server Certificates Required	Yes	Yes	No
Client Certificates Required	Yes	No	No
Computing Impact	High	Medium	Low

Factors that Drive EAP Method

Use as many methods as needed depending on devices

Enterprise security policy

- Certificate Authority deployment may drive EAP type
- Two factor authentication may require EAP-TLS
- Security vs. Convenience Trade-offs

Client support

- Windows supports EAP-TLS, PEAP w/EAP-MSCHAPv2, PEAP w/EAP-TLS
- 3rd party supplicants support a large variety of EAP types, but not all

Authentication server support

- RADIUS servers support a large variety of EAP types, but not all

Identity store

- PEAP w/EAP-MSCHAPv2 can only be used with authentication stores that store passwords in MSCHAPv2 format
- Not every identity store supports all the EAP types

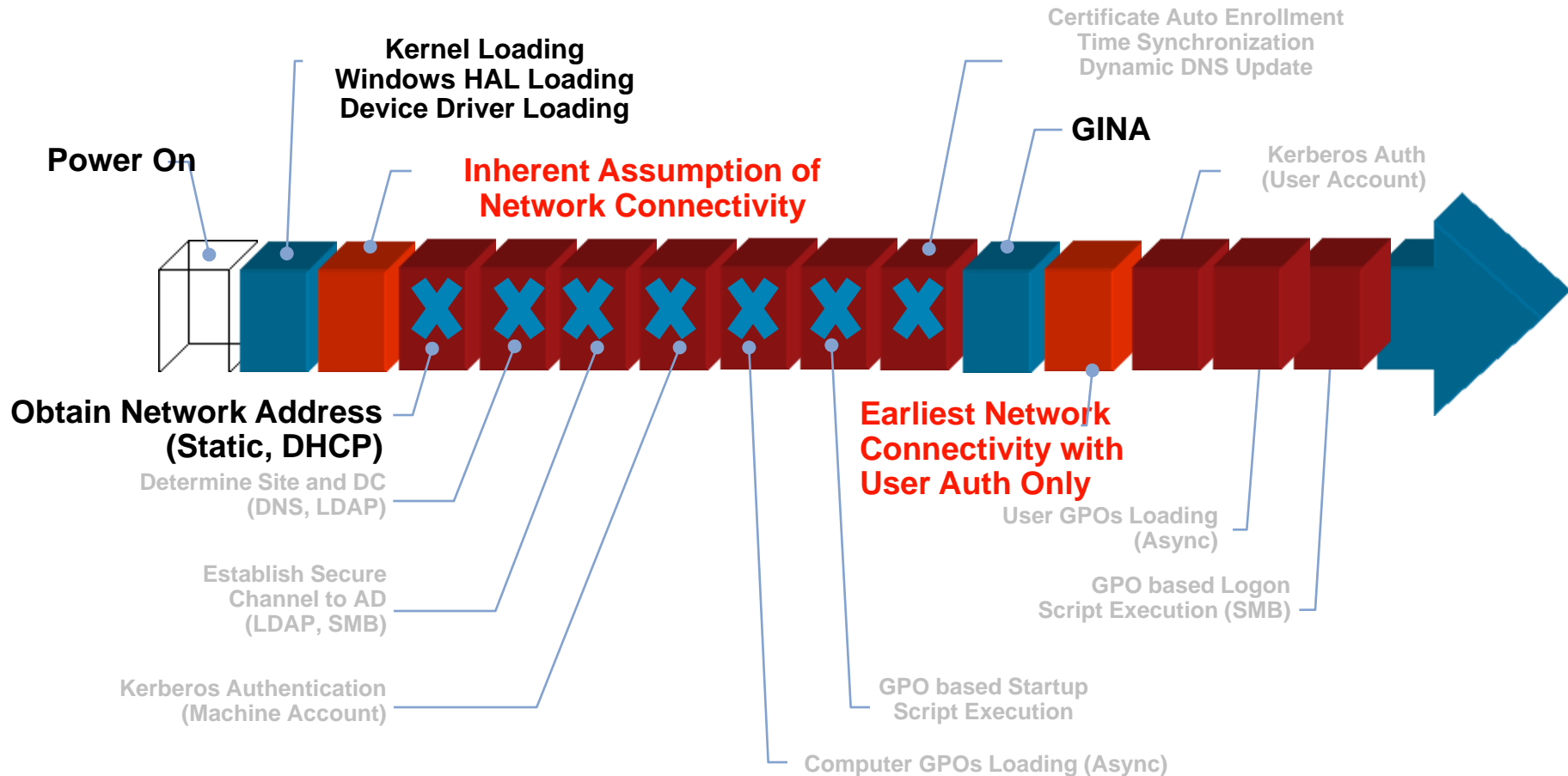
Identity & Authentication: Who (or What) Authenticates?

Problem Statement

- Who should the network authenticate ?
 - A **user** using a device
 - A **device**
 - **Both** the user and the device
- Device boot process and network connectivity assumption
 - Boot without using network resource - **Standalone**
 - Boot from the network – Xterm, NetPC, PXE
 - Boot and use network resources – **networked**
 - Network File System
 - Managed devices : Connection to LDAP, Active Directory
 - Device health check : Patch level checker, Central AV system

Example: Network Assumption

Microsoft Windows



Components that depend on network connectivity



Components broken with 802.1X user authentication only

802.1X Device and User authentication

- User authentication ONLY

Possible when **no dependency** of the device used regarding network resources

Can run user script to access network resources post login.

Be careful, this can break Microsoft group and system policies

- Device authentication ONLY

Mandatory as soon as exist **dependency** of Network resources

Authorization is link to the device; not the user using the device

- Device and User

Authorization is **highly flexible**

Advanced features needed on supplicants

Synchronization needed with other applications & process on the client PC : DHCP, DNS, NFS, etc..

Switches contexts when going from one to the other

MICROSOFT Windows Example

User and Device Authentication

User Authentication



*** No Connectivity to Domain Controller Until User Logs In**

Machine Authentication



*** 802.1X Early in Boot Process**

User + Machine Authentication



*** Users Can Be Individually Authenticated**



Network Connectivity

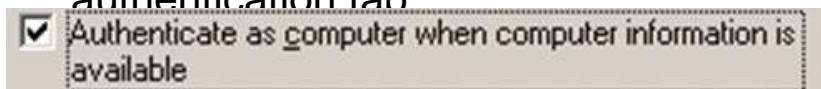


Point of 802.1X Authorization

Configuring Machine and/or User Auth

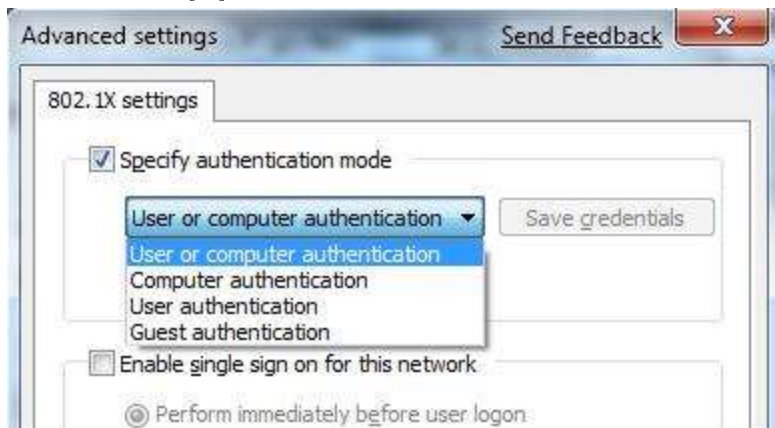
Microsoft Windows Example

- Mode is supplicant dependent
- Native MS supplicants pre-Win7
 - Controlled by registry keys (SP2) or XML (SP3 & Vista) & network properties authentication tab



Can be set by GPO (Wireless only for XP, Wired and Wireless for Vista)

- Win7 supplicants

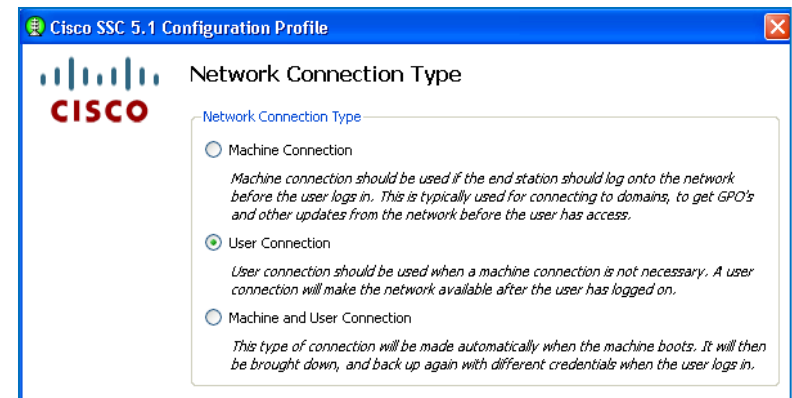


- Cisco SSC

Can be configured per profile

Centrally configured via Admin tool

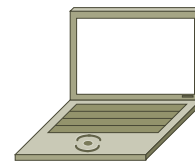
Deployed via MSI



Identity & Authentication: 802.1X Supplicants

802.1X Supplicants

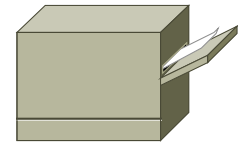
- Windows Win7— Yes
- Windows Vista —Yes
- Windows XP—Yes
- Windows 2000—Yes
- Windows CE / Mobile — Yes
- Linux —Yes
- HP-UX —Yes
- Solaris —Yes
- HP printers & switches —Yes
- Apple OS X —Yes
- Apple iPhone — Yes
- Nokia —Yes
- Cisco IP Phone —Yes
- Cisco AP —Yes
- Cisco Switches — Yes (12.2.50)



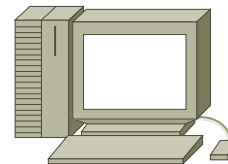
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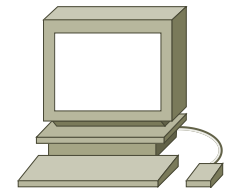
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HP Jet Direct



Solaris



Apple



WLAN APs



IP Phones



Pocket PC

PC Supplicants Types

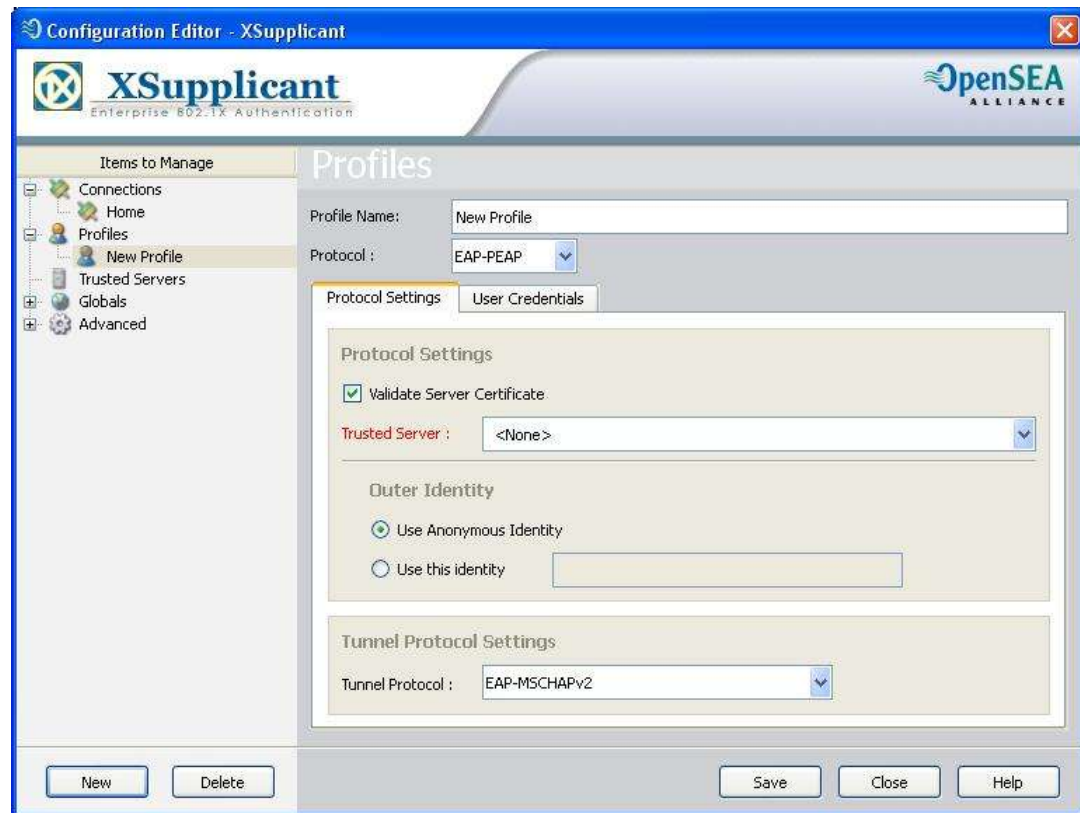
- Operating System – MAC OS X, XP Wireless Zero Config, Vista Native, Win7 Native
- Hardware Specific – Intel Proset, Lenovo Access Connections
- Premium – Cisco Secure Services Client, Juniper Odyssey
- Open Source –
 - Xsupplicant (Open 1X) – <http://open1x.sourceforge.net/>
 - WPA supplicant - http://hostap.epitest.fi/wpa_supplicant/
 - Secure W2 - <http://www.securew2.com/>

Xsupplicant

- Open Source
- No additional up-front cost
- Username / Password
- Manual Connect
- User Authentication
- Server Validation
- Wired & wireless
- PEAP, TTLS, FAST, and MD5
- Application –

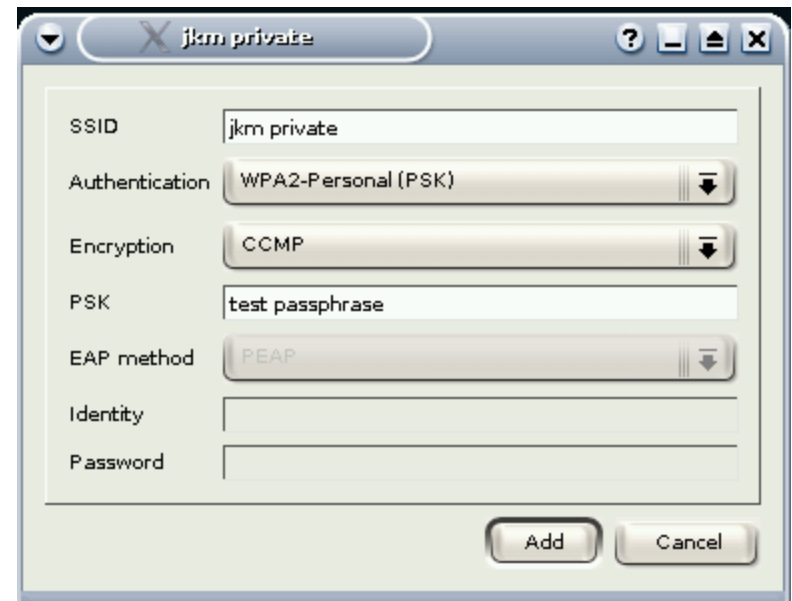
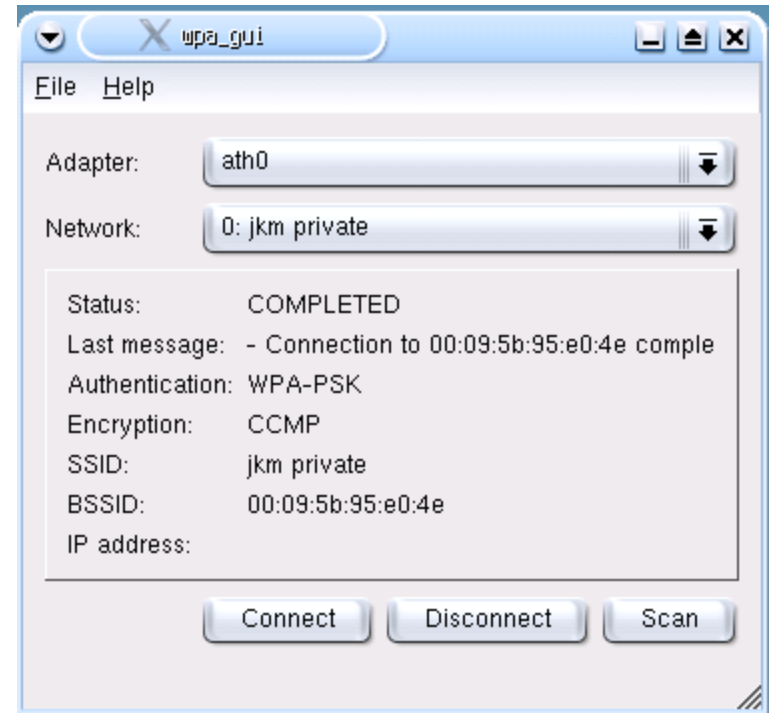
Simple Authentication

No outside support
required



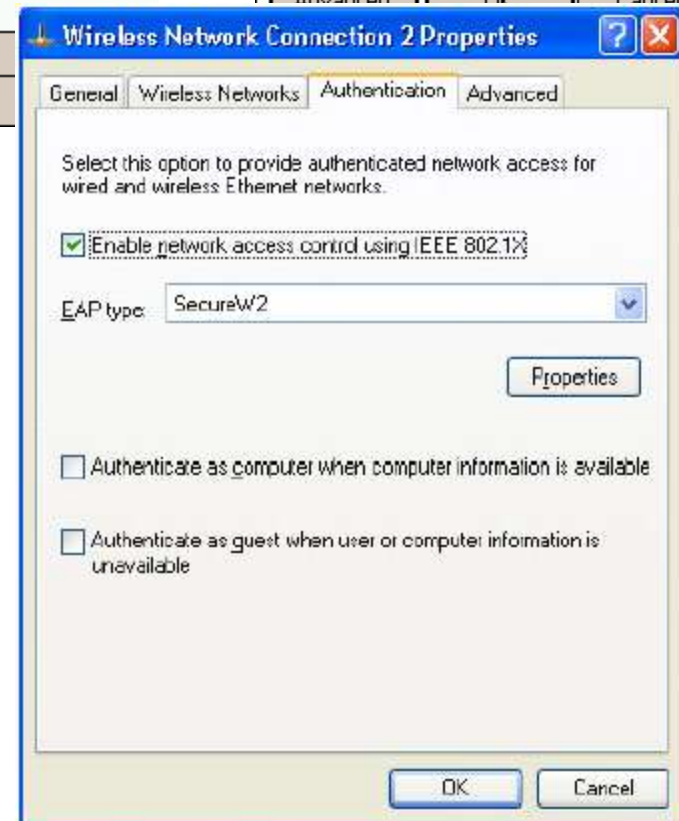
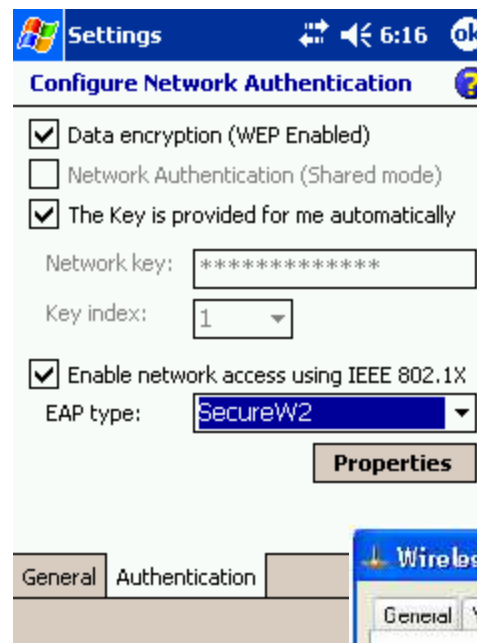
WPA Supplicant

- Open Source
- Linux, BSD, Mac OS X, and Windows
- No additional up-front cost
- Wired & wireless
- EAP-TLS
EAP-PEAP/MSCHAPv2-TLS-GTC-
OTP-MD5
EAP-TTLS/MD5-GTC-OTP-
MSCHAPV2-TLS-PAP-CHAP
EAP-SIM EAP-AKA EAP-PSK EAP-
FAST EAP-PAX EAP-SAKE EAP-
IKEv2 EAP-GPSK (experimental)
LEAP



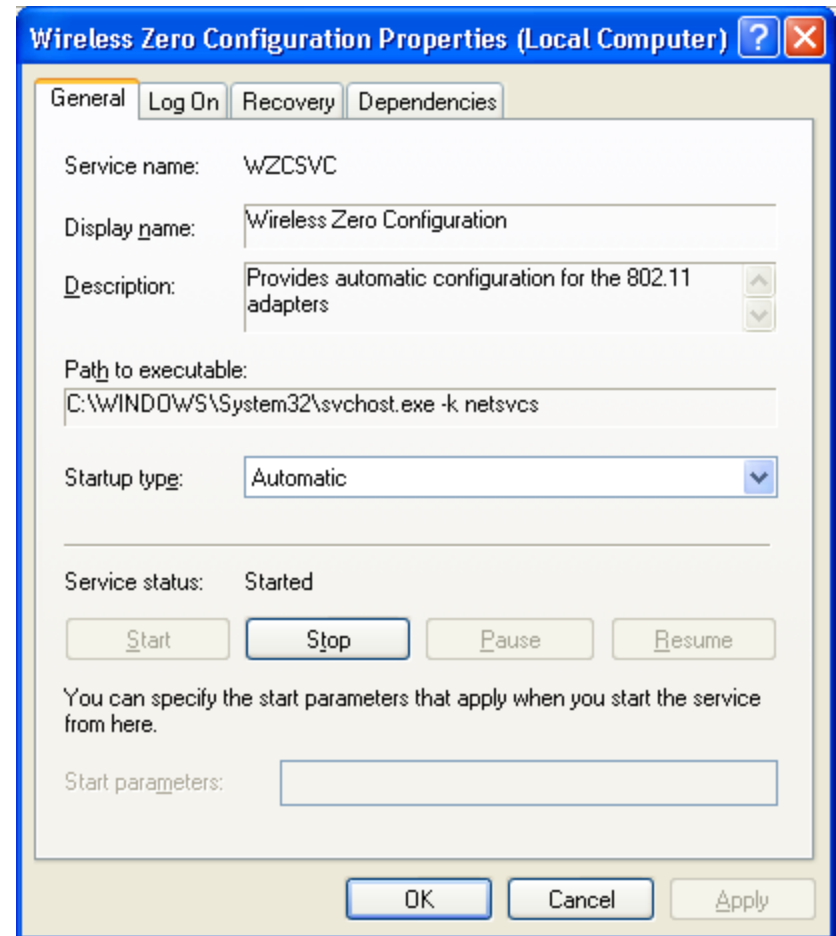
Secure W2

- Open Source
- Windows suite with Windows Mobile 5/6 or Pocket PC 2003/2005 support and 2000/XP/Vista
- Support available
- Wired & wireless
- Plug-in in existing Microsoft 802.1X/EAP(EapHost)
- Support of EAP-TTLS and EAP-GTC



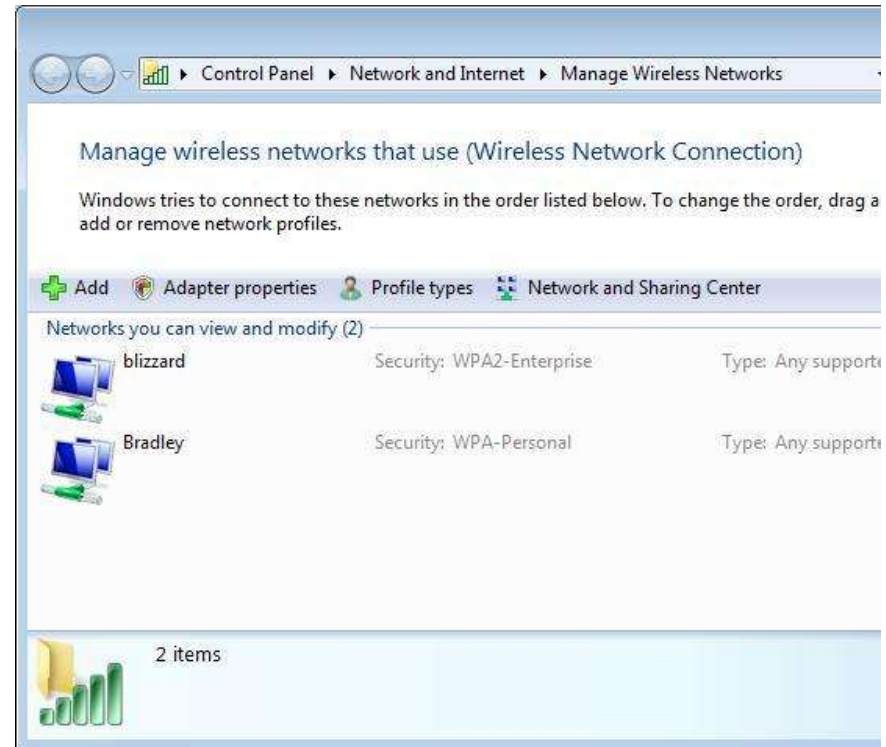
Microsoft Native Supplicant: XP SP2

- Integral to operating system
 - nothing to deploy except configuration
 - No additional cost, licensed as part of OS
- Same service controls wireless and wired 802.1X
 - Wireless Zero Config (WZC)
- Integrated machine and user profile
- Registry changes required for proper operation of wired 802.1X
- **EAP Types** – PEAP/MSCHAPv2, PEAP/TLS, TLS, MD5



Vista & XP SP3 Native Supplicant

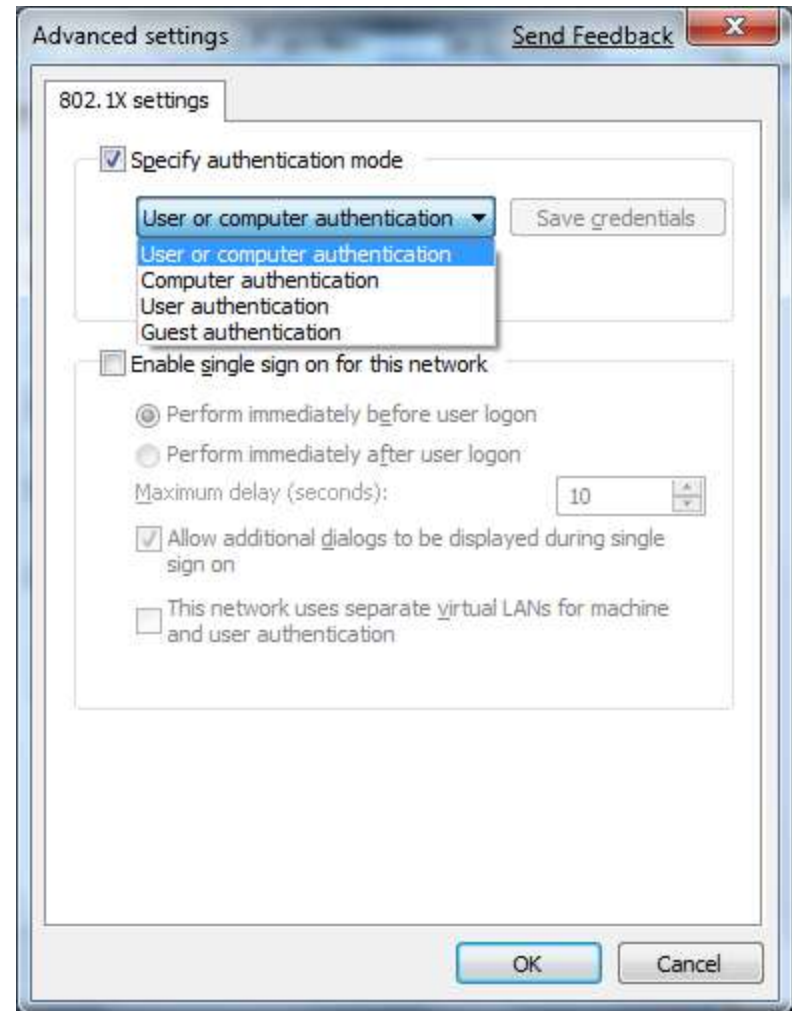
- Integral to operating system
 - nothing to deploy except configuration
 - No additional cost, licensed as part of OS
- Separate services for wireless and wired 802.1X
 - Wireless Zero Config (WZC)
 - Wired AutoConfig (DOT3SVC)
- Machine & User Authentication
- PEAP-MSCHAPv2, PEAP-TLS, EAP-TLS
- Recommendations
 - Use NDIS 6 NIC drivers
 - Vista SP1
 - Auth Fail Hot-Fix:



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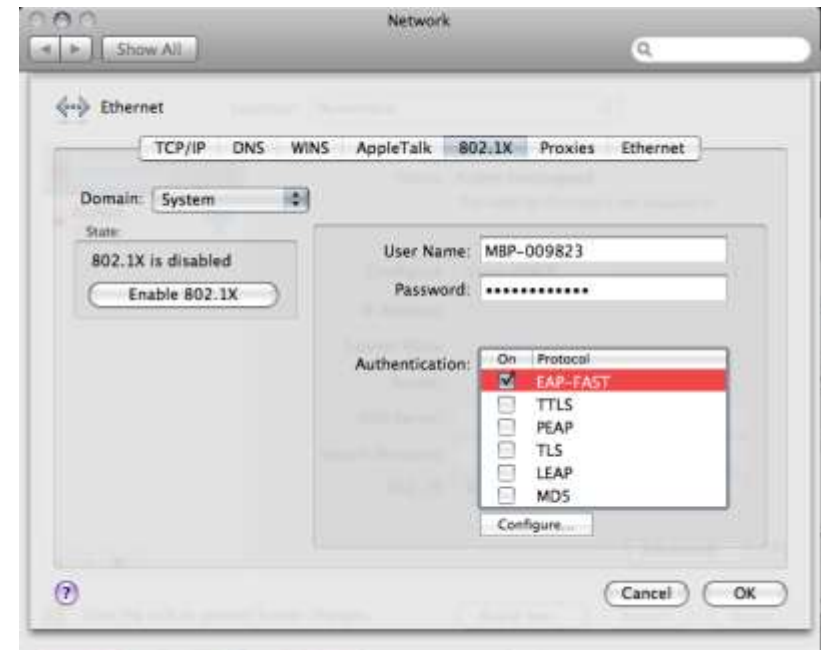
Windows 7 Native

- Integral to operating system
 - nothing to deploy except configuration
 - No additional cost, licensed as part of OS
- Separate services for wireless and wired 802.1X
 - Wireless Zero Config (WZC)
 - Wired AutoConfig (DOT3SVC)
- Machine & User Authentication
- PEAP-MSCHAPv2, PEAP-TLS, EAP-TLS



Mac OSX - 10.6

- Wired and wireless support
- Username / Password, Certificates, & Tokens
- Machine or User Authentication
- Broad EAP type support
- No up-front licensing cost
- Apple supported
- End-user focused



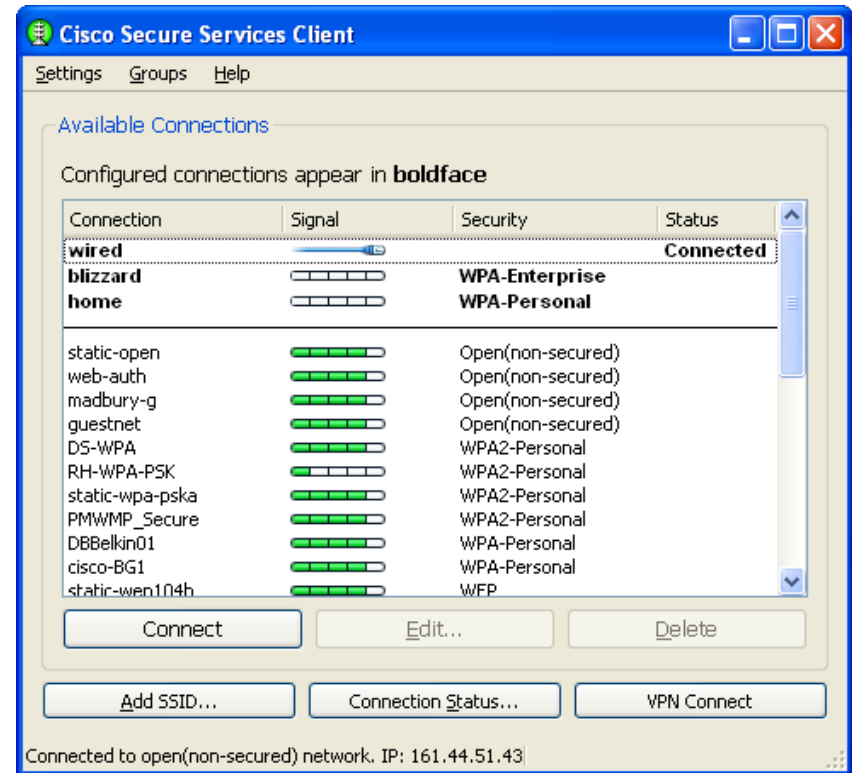
Intel Proset

- Driver Intimacy
 - Adapter settings
 - Radio On / Off
- No additional up-front costs
- Username / Password, Soft Certificates, Smartcards, & Tokens
- Broad EAP Type Support
- Wireless Only
- Supported by Intel
- Requires Intel NIC



Cisco Secure Services Client

- Wired and wireless support
- Username / Password, Soft Certificates, Smartcards, & Tokens
- Machine & User Authentication
- Broad EAP type support
- Up-front licensing cost
- Cisco supported
- End-user focused
- Applications –
Enterprise environments

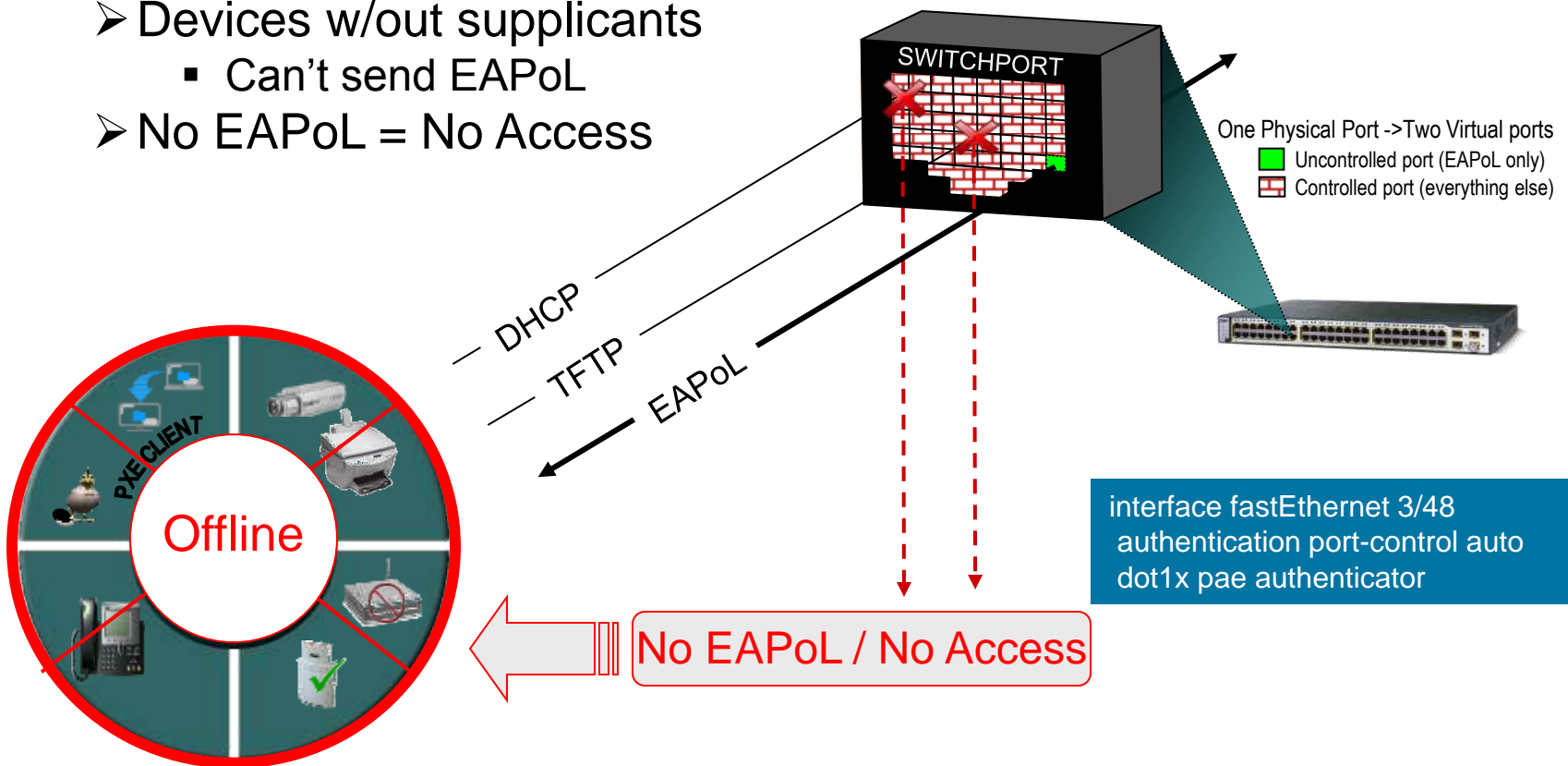


Identity & Authentication Non-802.1X Capable Devices & Users

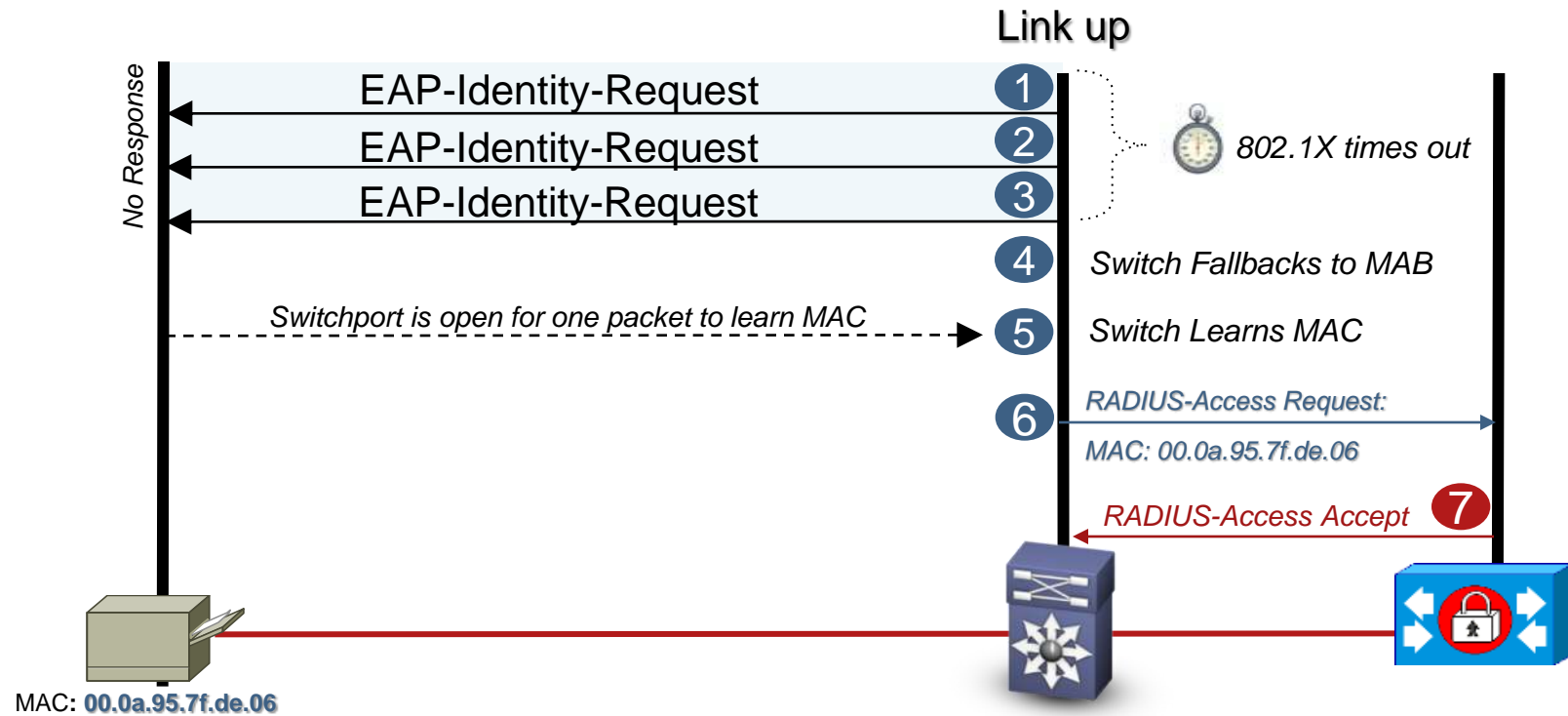
Default Security: Consequences

Default 802.1X Challenge

- Devices w/out supplicants
 - Can't send EAPoL
- No EAPoL = No Access



MAC Authentication Bypass (MAB) for Non-802.1X Devices



802.1X with MAB

Deployment Considerations

MAB enables differentiated access control

MAB leverages centralized policy on AAA server

Dependency on 802.1X timeout -> delayed network access

- Default timeout is 30 seconds with three retries (90 seconds total)
- 90 seconds > DHCP timeout.

MAB requires a database of known MAC addresses



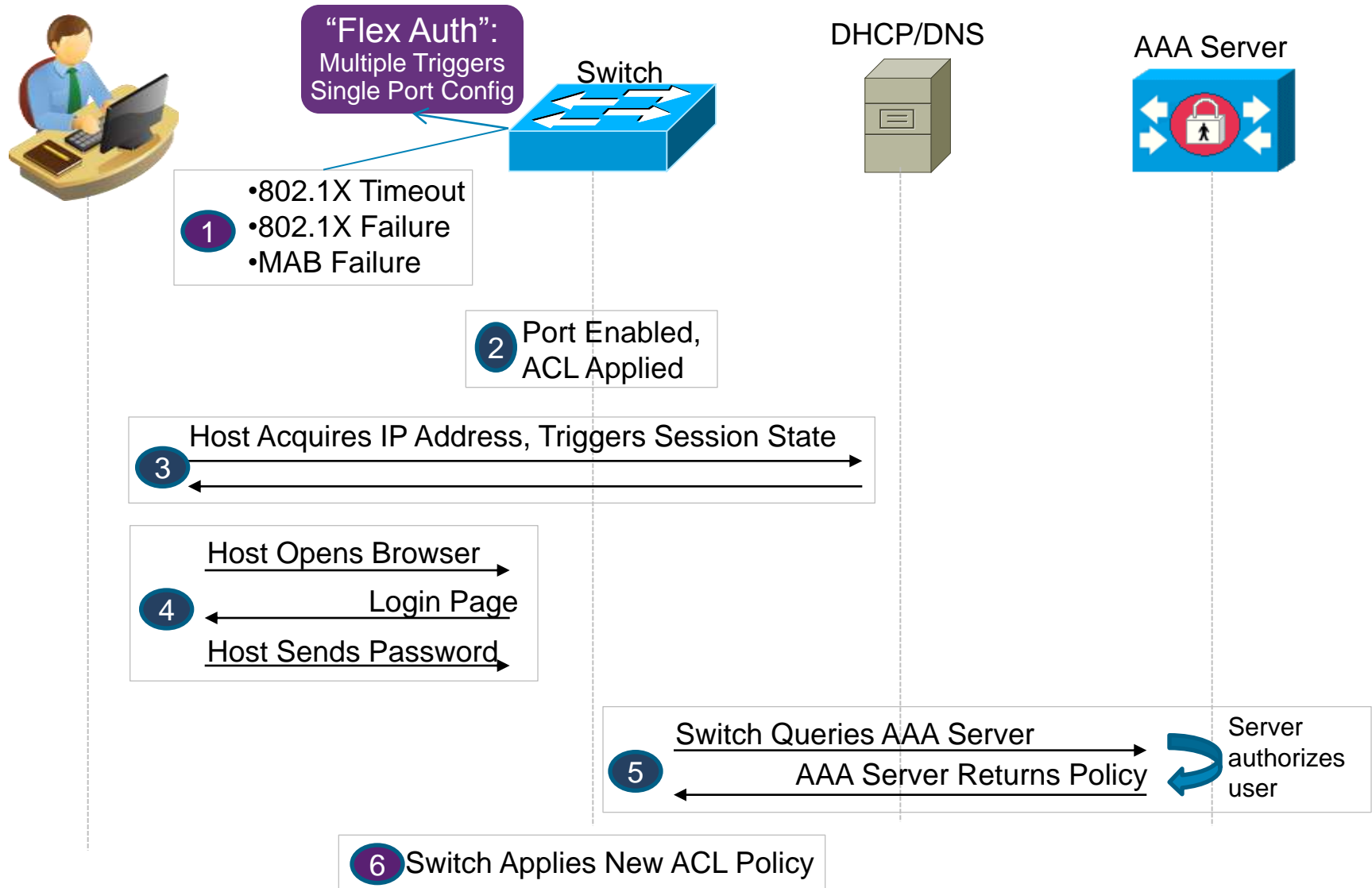
Considerations: MAC Databases

Method	What is it?	Advantages	Problems	Use Case
OUI Wildcards	Use 3-Byte Identifier	Easy to add lots of devices	No granularity	'Add all HP printers'
ACS	Local database with Radius Server	Readily available	No central repository for all IDs	'Radius only'
AD	Central Directory Service	Central repository	Should have support for [ieee802] object, password complexity	'All in one'
NAC Profiler	Automatic building of MAC DB	Automated	Need certain methods to make it reliably identify devices	'handle unknown devices'
LDAP	Central directory	Standards based	Manually populated and maintained	'leverage existing db'

DEMO Time

MAB

Web Authentication for non-802.1X User



802.1X with Web-Auth

Deployment Considerations

- Web-Auth is only for users (not devices)
 - browser required
 - manual entry of username/password
- Web-Auth can be a fallback from 802.1X or MAB.
- Web-Auth and Guest VLAN* are mutually exclusive
- Web-Auth supports ACL authorization only
- Web-Auth behind an IP Phone requires Multi-Domain Authentication* (MDA)



* To be discussed in later sections

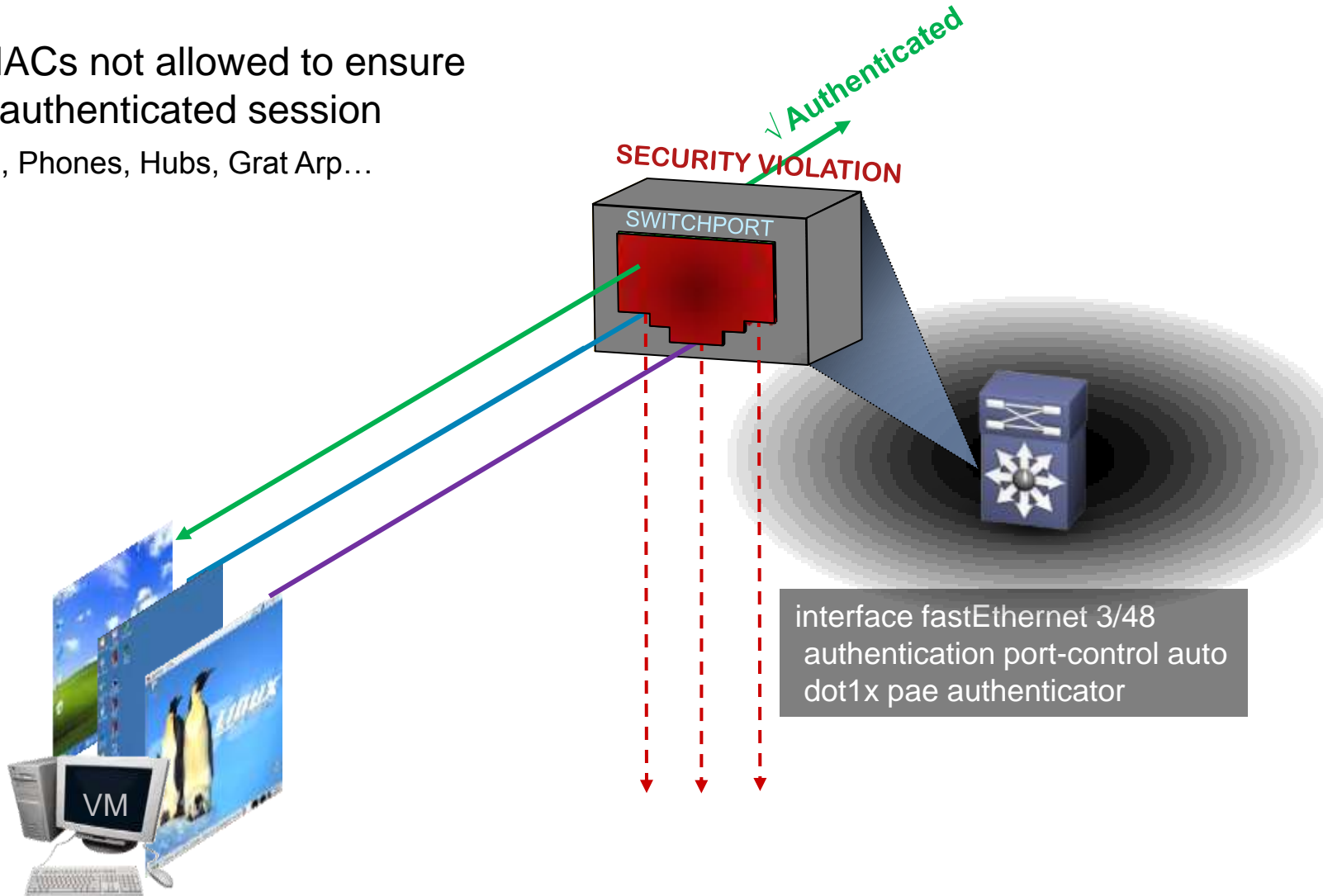
DEMO Time

Web-Auth

Identity & Authentication Further Restrictions

Default Security: More Consequences

- Multiple MACs not allowed to ensure validity of authenticated session
 - VMWare, Phones, Hubs, Grat Arp...



Phase 0: Pre-Deployment

Introduction to ACME Corp.

- **Fictional Company, publishing house.**
- **Employees, free lancers, guests are using the corporate network infrastructure.**
- **The same infrastructure is used for other devices as well.**
- ***‘One network to support them all.’***
- **No access control in place as of today, everybody with physical access can connect.**



The CIO decided to limit access. Only known devices must be allowed on the network

ACME's Business Environment



Frank Lee
Guest
11am

GLOBAL WORK FORCE

Employees, Contractors, Phones, Printers

Wireline

Employee

SENSITIVE RESOURCES

Network, Devices & Applications

11am

MULTIPLE ACCESS METHODS

From different devices, location & time



Sergei Balazov
Contractor

CEO
Remote Access
10pm



Bill Graves
Employee
R&D
Wireless
2pm



Francois Didier
Consultant
HQ - Strategy
Remote Access
6pm

ALL NEED CONTROLLING

Printer
Managed asset
Finance dept.
12:00pm

Printer
Agentless asset
MAC: B2 CF 81 A4 02 D7

ACME's Goals

The Mission:

- **Prevent Anonymous / Unauthorized Access**
- **Increase Network Visibility**
- **Solution deployment should be transparent to end users**

Employee end-user behavior should not change.

Legacy devices must not be locked out.

Best authentication method based on device capabilities should be chosen.



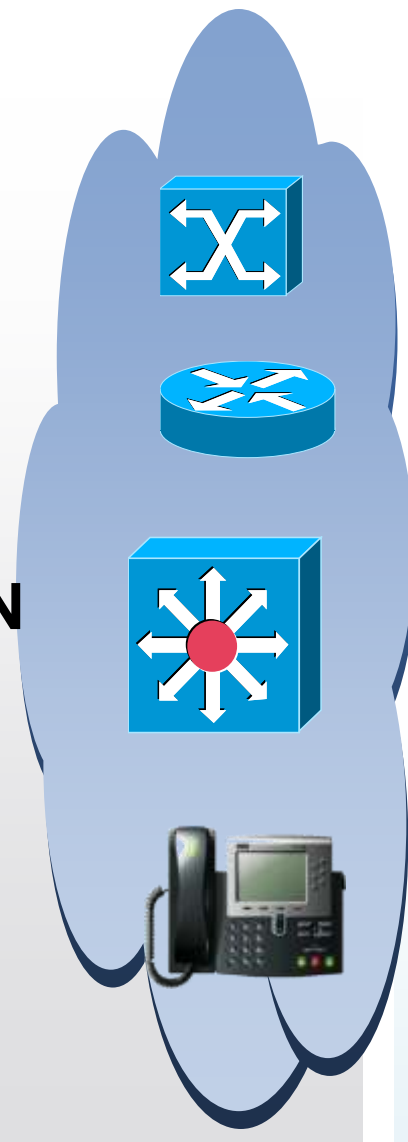
ACME's Environment: Devices

- PC devices are primarily running in a Microsoft Windows environment.
- IP Telephony is Cisco, 50% are 802.1X ready and support EAP-TLS / certificate based authentication. No Certs deployed so far (MICs only).
- Printers are not-802.1X capable, must be authenticated via their MAC address.
- All sorts of other (legacy) devices from freelancers (Macs, Linux machines, ...) and generic devices (e.g. building control).



ACME's Environment: Network

- ACME recently did a refresh on their access network.
- Devices are up-to-date and are running latest available code.
- Devices are configured according to L2 best practice (DHCP snooping, DAI, VLAN != VVLAN != Management VLAN).
- For conference rooms, only corporate owned and authorized devices may be cascaded to provide additional ports (Extended Edge concept).



ACME's Environment: Back-End

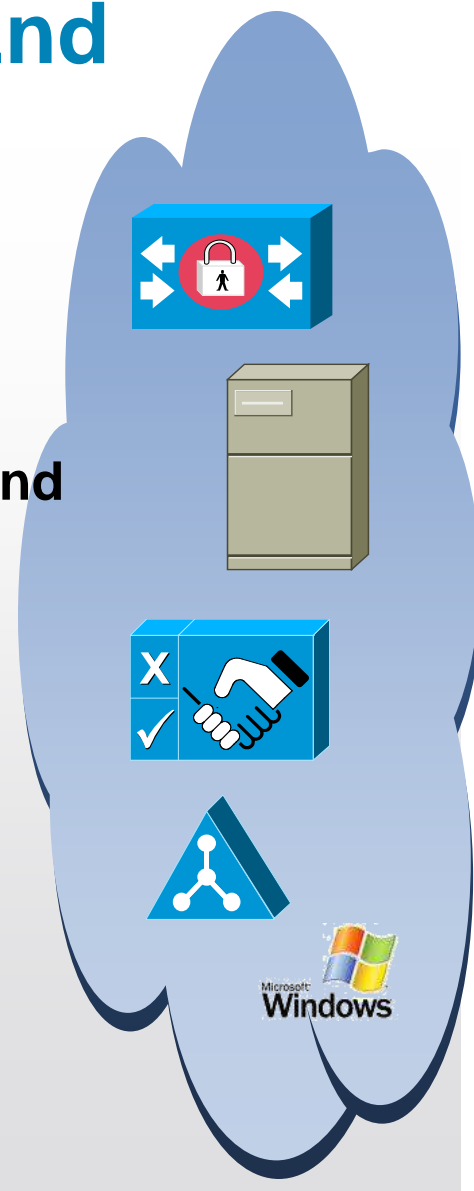
- **Windows 2008 Active Directory**

Environment managed via AD Group Policy Objects (GPOs)

GPOs enabled centralized management & distribution of policy for users, computers and other objects in the directory.

- **Certificate Infrastructure is in place, Microsoft CA running on AD.**

- **ACS 5.1 will be used to provide AAA services.**



ACME's Environment: Credentials

- **Corporate machines are registered with the Windows domain**
- **Computers & Users log in with Name and Password to the domain**
- **Additional authentication is enforced at the application layer**
- **No authentication at all for all other devices**



Considerations

- **What Authentication Method(s) should be used?**
- **Which Operating Systems are to be supported?**
- **Where are Credentials stored?**

One Store vs. Many Stores

How to Build and Manage a MAC Database?



Considerations: Authentication Method

Method	What's required?	Pros	Cons
802.1X	Supplicant Credentials	Highest Security	Supplicant may not be available on every platform
MAB	MAC address database	Works for all devices	Weak, can be easily snooped, DB needs to be created and maintained
Web-Auth	Portal (on switches or on dedicated NGS)	No supplicant needed, every device w/ browser can be used	Relies on initial connectivity, VLAN / IP address change after authentication is problematic

Further Considerations for 802.1X Authentication: EAP Methods

Method	What's required?	Pros	Cons
EAP-MD5	Username, Password	Most devices with 802.1X support do at least EAP-MD5	Offline dictionary attack, one-way authentication
EAP-TLS	Certificate distribution	Most secure method	Certificate cost, distribution, renewal
PEAP	Username, Password	Readily available in Windows environments	Single factor authentication



Chosen by ACME for operational efficiency

Considerations: Operating Systems

What do
we have to
support...

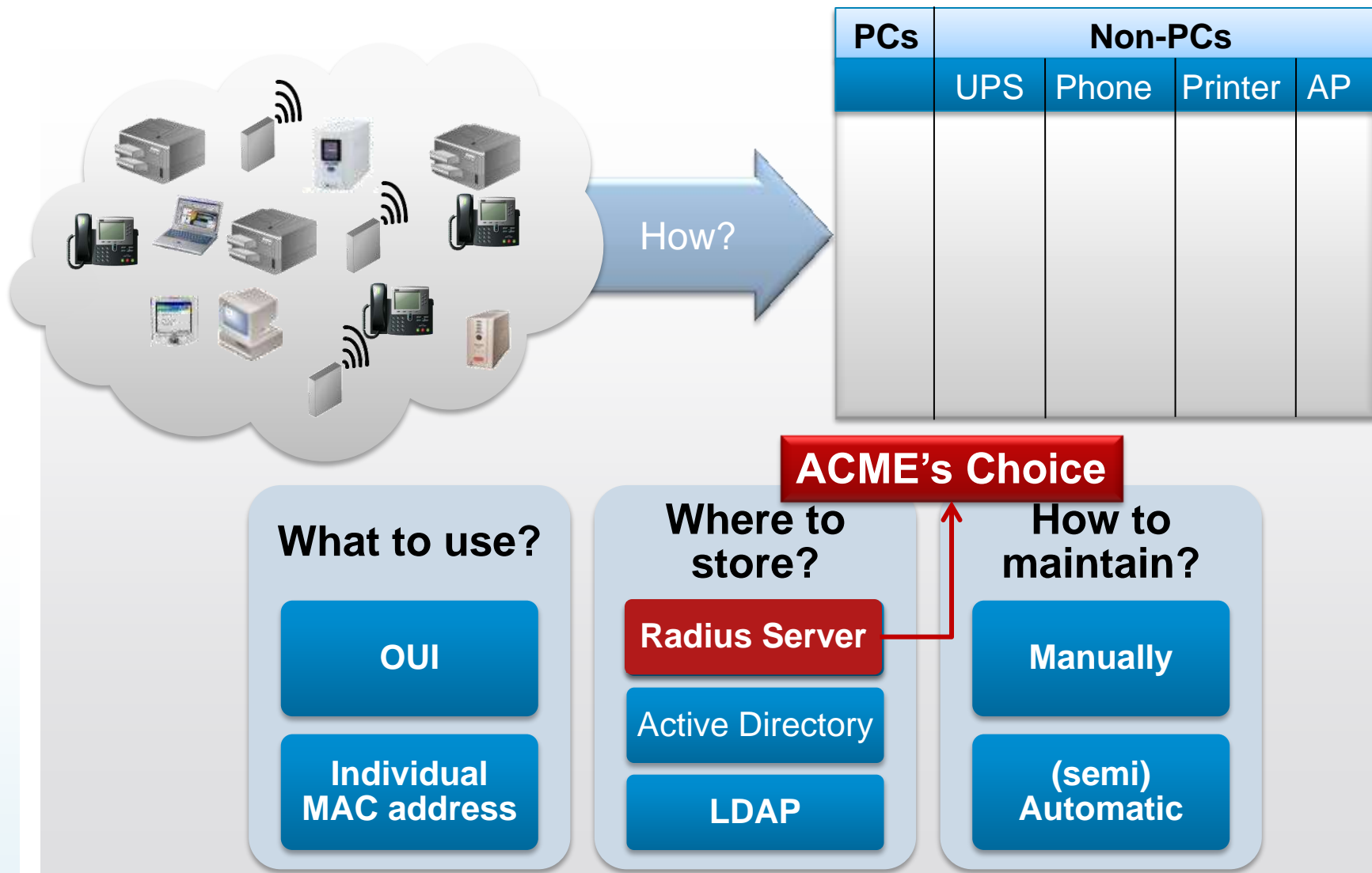


Considerations: Operating Systems

OS (corporate asset)	Supplicant	Methods supported	Remark
Windows XP and newer	Built-in or 3 rd party	MD5, TLS, PEAP	No MD5 w/ Vista and newer
Older Windows	No support	MAB or WebAuth	
Apple Mac OS X	Built-in	TTLS, TLS, FAST, PEAP, LEAP, MD5	
802.1X-capable Cisco phones	Built-in	MD5, FAST, TLS	
Other devices	various	various	various

OS (non-corporate asset)	Supplicant	Methods supported	Remark
All	n/a	MAB or WebAuth	Guest Access

Considerations: MAC Databases



ACME's Starting Point

CREDENTIAL STORE
ACME WILL USE ACTIVE DIRECTORY



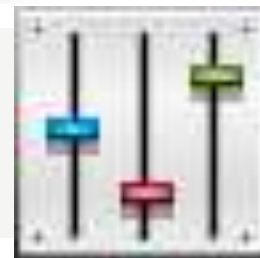
EAP-TYPE
USE PEAP WHEREVER POSSIBLE



UNMANAGED DEVICES
EVERYTHING ELSE USES MAB AND WEBAUTH



GUEST ACCESS
LEVERAGE NAC GUEST SERVER FOR GUESTS



ACME Summary & Goal

- Enforce admission control to wired network
- Use central identity store, Active Directory
- Control Plane is Radius
- Provide coherent solution for all devices



KEEP THE INSIDERS IN AND THE OUTSIDERS OUT!

Phase 1: Monitor Mode

ACME's Goals : Phase 1

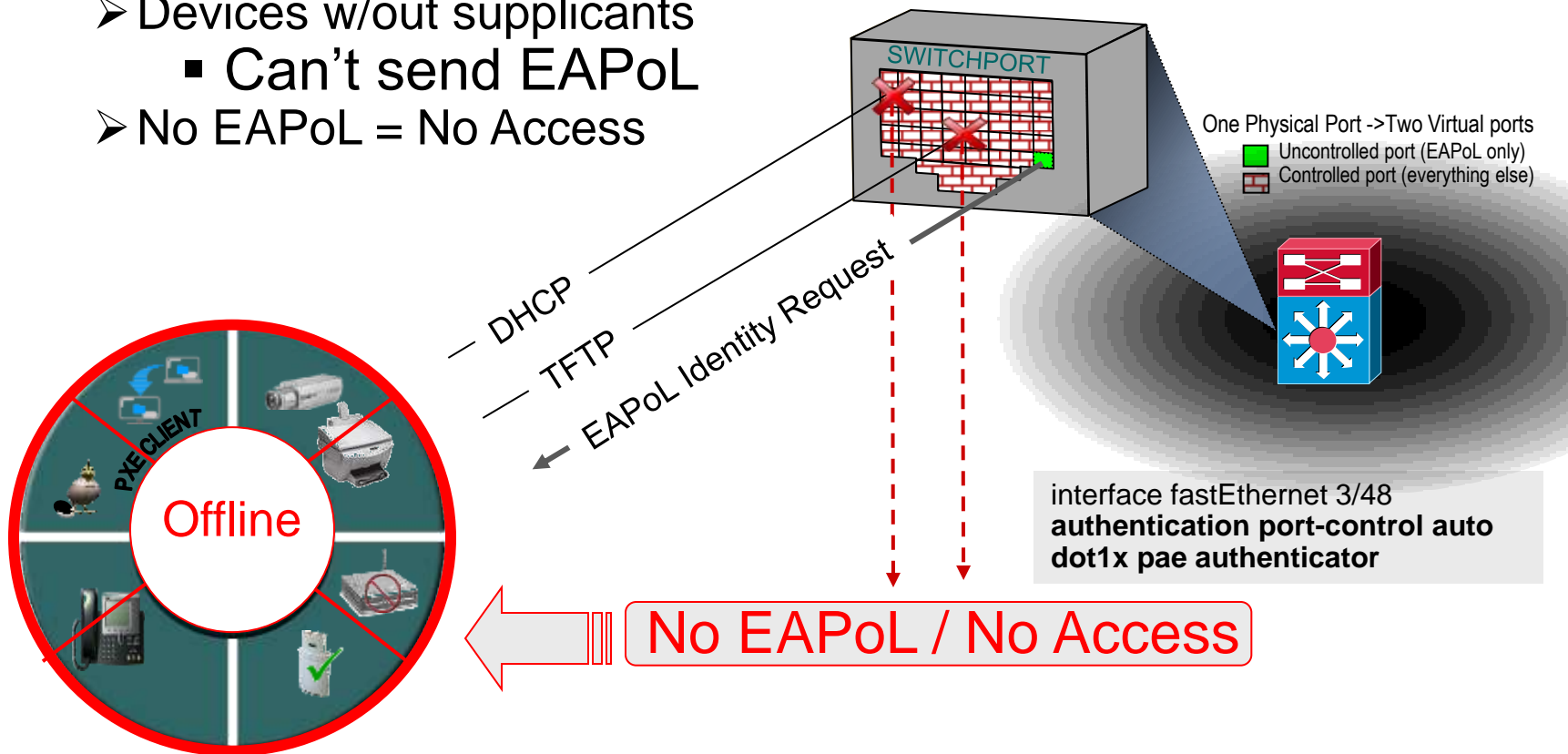
- Gain visibility of what's currently on the network
 - Managed Assets
 - Agentless Assets
 - Unknown Devices
- Validate components are functioning as expected
- Identify non-functioning components and correct
- Be Transparent to Users and Current Network

**ACME's Goals Can Be Met With
Monitor Mode**

Default Security: Consequences

Default 802.1X Challenge

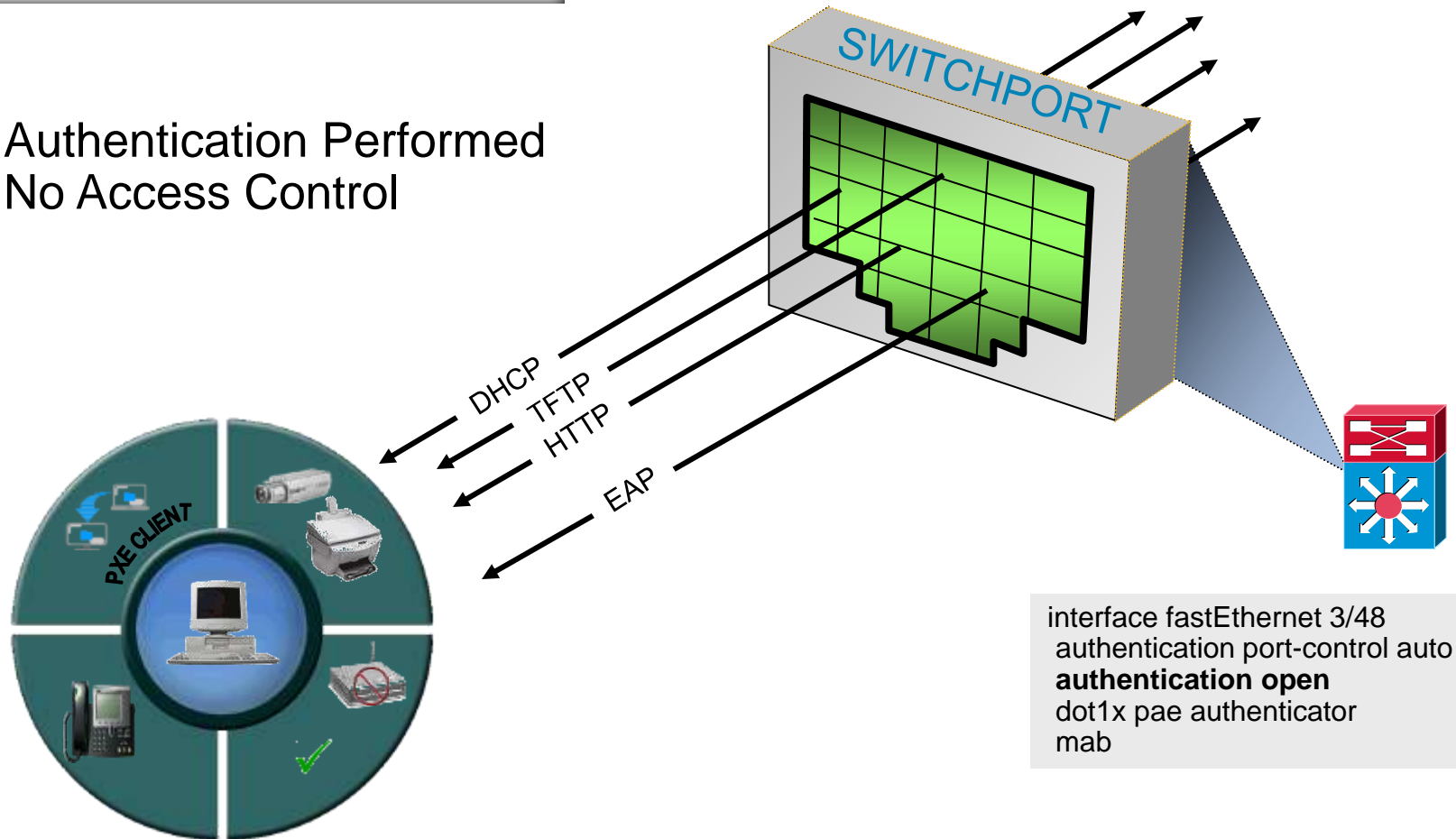
- Devices w/out supplicants
 - Can't send EAPoL
- No EAPoL = No Access



Changing the Default Authorization: “Open Access”

Open Access (No Restrictions)

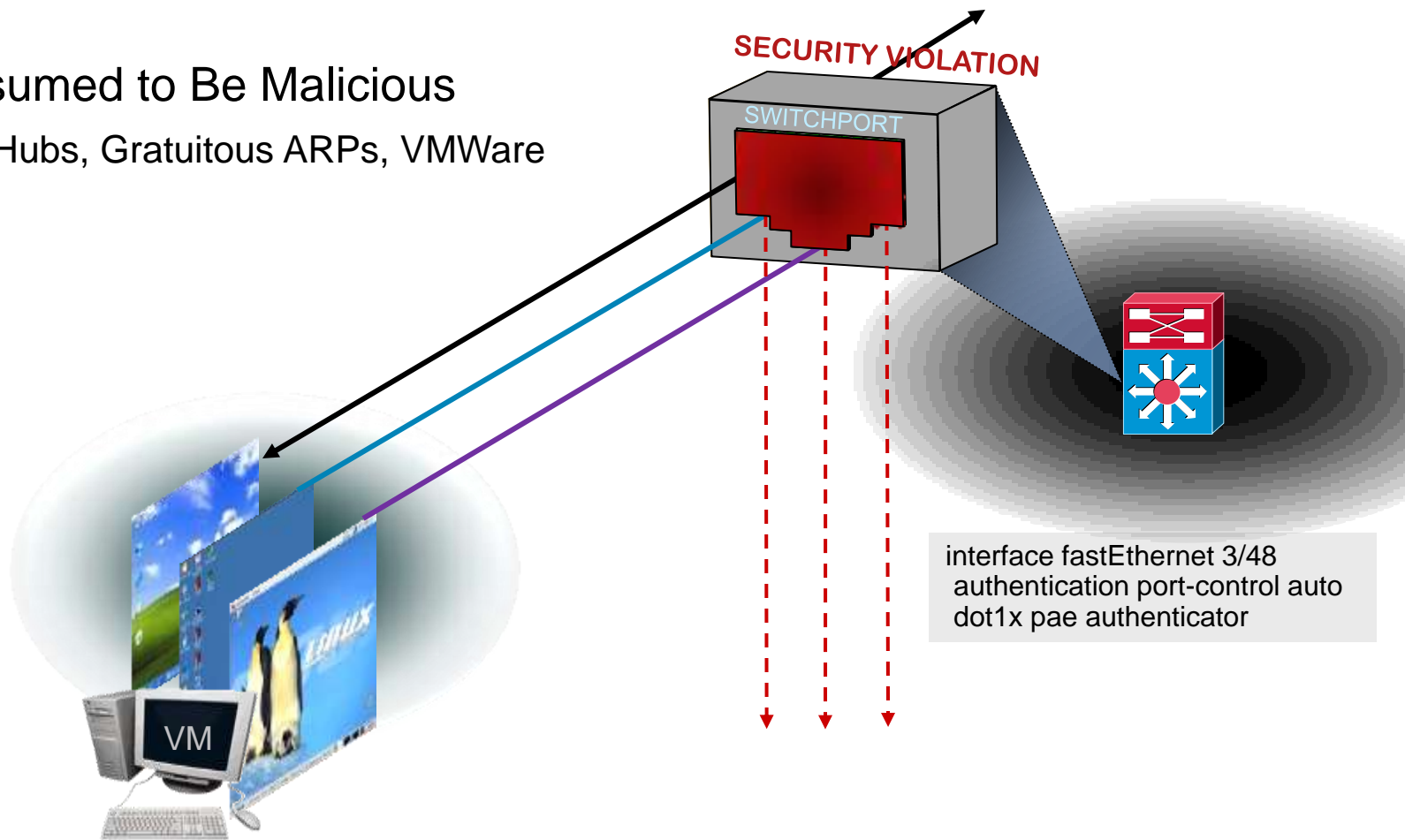
- Authentication Performed
- No Access Control



Default Security: Consequences

Multiple MACs per Port

- Assumed to Be Malicious
 - Hubs, Gratuitous ARPs, VMWare



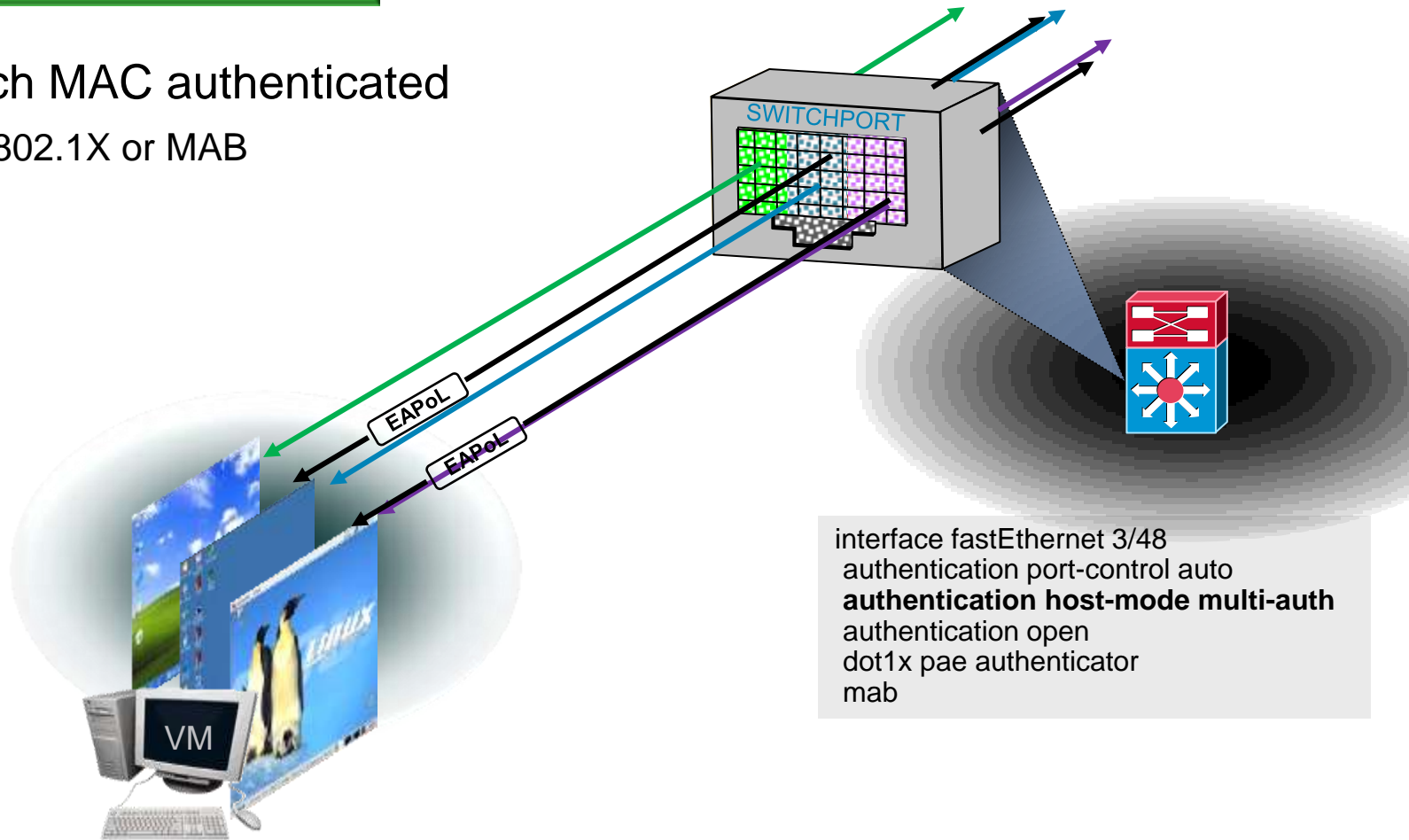
Modifying the Default Security

“Multi-Auth”

Multiple MACs on Port

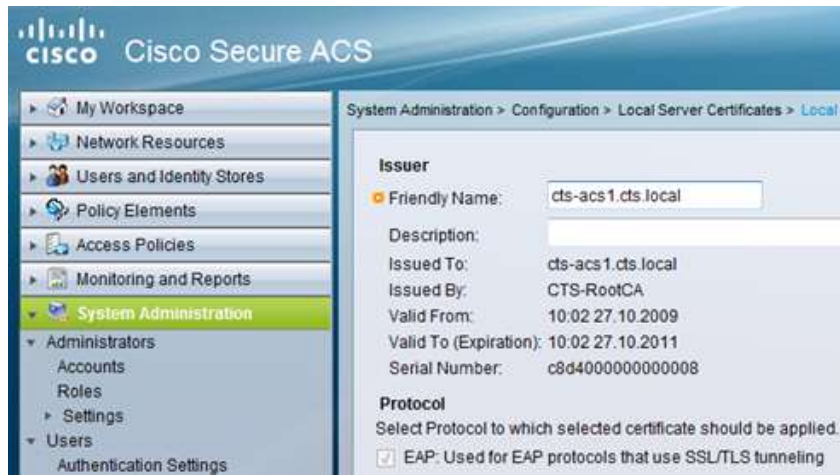
➤ Each MAC authenticated

- 802.1X or MAB



Enabling Monitor Mode – RADIUS Server

- Configure PKI and Identity Servers



- Create 802.1X & MAB Policies



- Every user in AD is permitted
- Separate Rules can be used for reporting

Enabling Monitor Mode – Managed Assets

**Roll out Root CA Cert to
Managed Assets via GPO**



**Activate PEAP configuration
for User authentication via GPO**



**Activate Wired Auth Service on
Windows machines via GPO**

**All managed assets should be provisioned before the
switches are configured for access control**

DEMO Time

Managing 802.1X Parameters with Active Directory GPOs

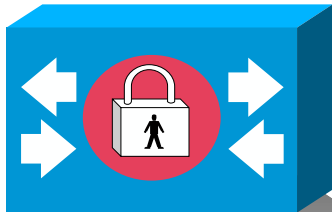
Phased Rollout

- Deploy supplicant configuration components first
- Configure RADIUS server second
- Deploy switches third
- Possibly start with one floor at a time
- Validating via case load that monitor mode is working as expected
- After successful floor rollouts expand to multiple floors or a building at a time

Monitor Mode: Monitoring

Monitor Mode – Monitoring and Reporting

Monitor the network, see who's on, address future connectivity problems by installing supplicants and credentials, creating MAB database



TO DO Before implementing access control:

- Confirm that all these should be on network
- Install supplicants on X, Y, Z clients
- Upgrade credentials on failed 802.1X clients
- Update MAC database with failed MABs

...



RADIUS accounting logs provide visibility:

- Passed/Failed 802.1X/EAP attempts
 - List of valid dot1x capable
 - List of non-dotx capable
- Passed/Failed MAB attempts
 - List of Valid MACs
 - List of Invalid or unknown MACs

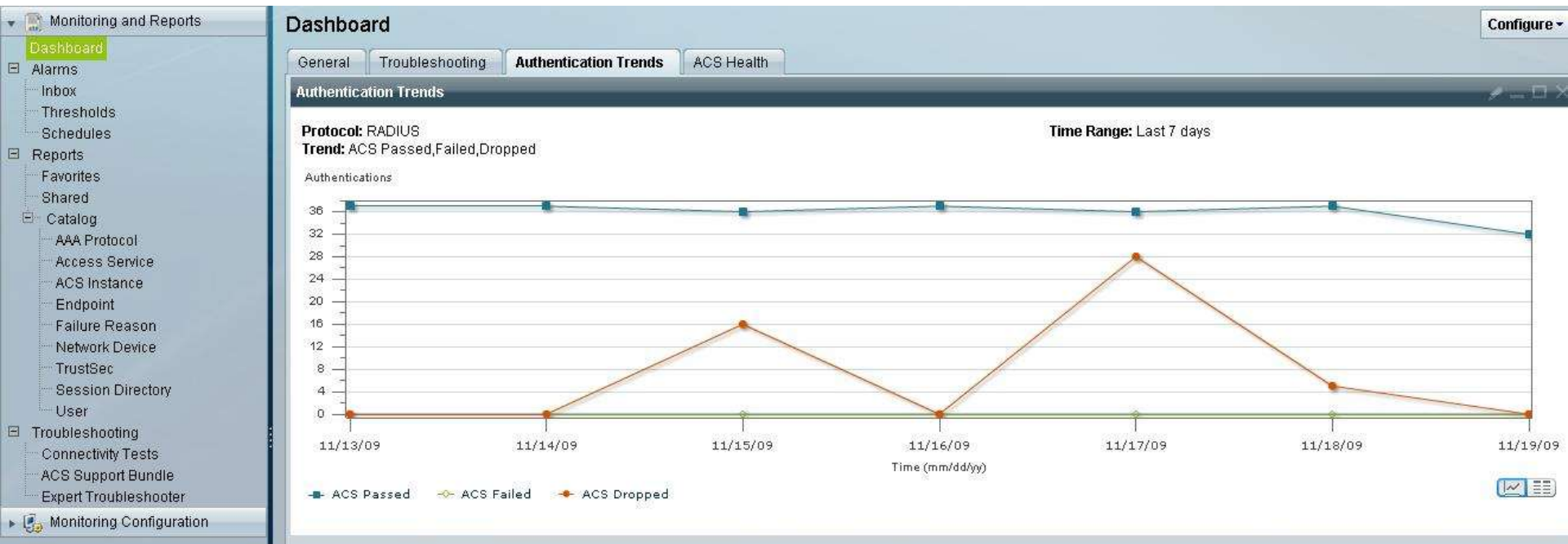
RADIUS Authentication

- ACME authentications can be monitored

View Trends of Passed (should be high)

View Trends of Failures (should be low)

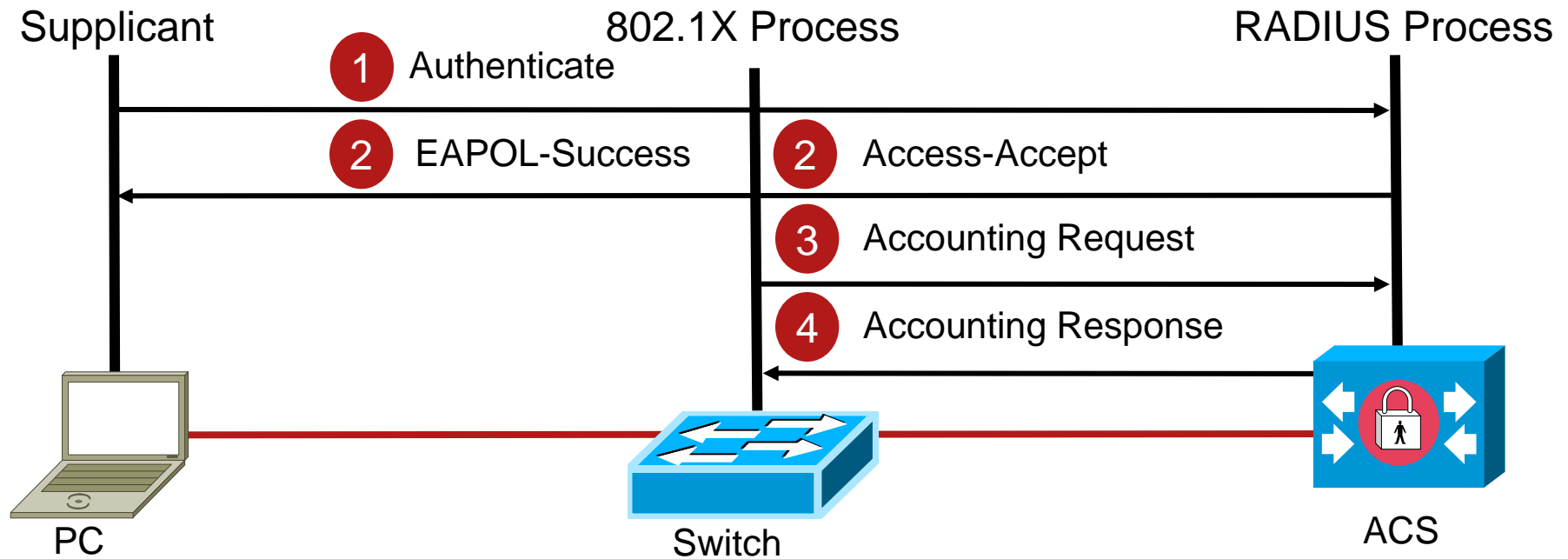
View Trends of Unknown MAC Addresses (should start high and lower as MAC Addresses are added to the database)



Active Monitoring

- Network Visibility is not just about passed/failed authentications
- The RADIUS server can have a session directory provided by RADIUS accounting.
- This provides ACME with a view of all active sessions as the session enter and leave the network
- This information can be used along with other security information for better incident response

802.1X with RADIUS Accounting



802.1X with RADIUS Accounting

- Similar to other accounting and tracking mechanisms that already exist using RADIUS
 - Can now be done through 802.1X
- Increases network session awareness
- Provide information into a management infrastructure about who logs in, session duration, support basic billing usage reporting, etc.
- Provides a means to map the information of authenticated

Identity, Port, MAC, Switch
↓ ↓ ↓
IP, Port, MAC, Switch

= Identity → IP
Switch + Port = Location

```
IOS  
aaa accounting dot1x default start-stop group radius
```

Simple Homegrown Tools

- Switches logs all passed/failed sessions via syslog
- RADIUS servers typically all log information in plain text
- Relatively easy to run scripts against this information to create monitoring views
- Scripts can create database of mac addresses seen from the network

Simple Homegrown Tools

Event Log: Authentications View: Identity Rows: 100 Refresh: 5s Update

Last Update: Wed Feb 27 2008 09:44:25 GMT-0800 (PST)

Timestamp ?	Auth Type ?	MAC ?	Username ?	Group ?	NDG ?	NAD ?	Port ?	AFC ?	NAP ?	Domain ?	ACS ?
2008-02-27 09:43:46 PST	✓		azbycx	Default Group			azbycx		(Default)		1
2008-02-27 09:41:28 PST	✓		critical_test	maintenance			critical_test		(Default)		
2008-02-27 09:40:13 PST	✓	00-1B- 		Default Group			50107		802.1x		
2008-02-27 09:38:31 PST	✓	00-15- 	 	Default Group			50119		802.1x		
2008-02-27 09:38:09 PST	✓	00-18- 	? 	MAB			Eth2/3 (131)		MAB		1
2008-02-27 08:21:57 PST	✓	00-1A- 	 	Default Group			50107		802.1x		
2008-02-27 08:21:49 PST	✗	00-1A-6B-69-A9-AC	 	Default Group			50107	External DB user invalid or ba...	802.1x		
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2008-02-27 08:16:02 PST	✓		azbycx	Default Group			azbycx		(Default)		1
2008-02-27 08:14:04 PST	✓	00-1A- 	 	Default Group			50120		dot1x-2ndflr		1
2008-02-27 08:10:32 PST	✓		azbycx	Default Group			azbycx		(Default)		1
2008-02-27 08:10:04 PST	✓	00-1E- 	 	Default Group			50120		802.1x		
2008-02-27 08:07:38 PST	✓	00-30- 	00 	mda_voice			50103		MAB		
2008-02-27 08:07:38 PST	✓	00-03- 	00 	mda_voice			50107		MAB		

Monitoring With ACS 5.1

Tip: Interactive Viewer Is Your Friend
Launch It, Then Right Click Inside the Report for Customization Options

Showing Page: 1 of 1: Goto Page: Go

AAA Protocol > RADIUS Authentication

Authentication Status: Pass or Fail

Username	Event	Logged At	RADIUS Status	Details	Calling Station ID	Authentication Method	EAP Authentication	Network Device	NAS Port ID	Access Service	Identity Store	Failure Reason
Administrator	Authentication succeeded	Oct 27,09 9:15:00.810 AM	✓		10.100.60.201	PAP_ASCII		6506-2		Web Auth Access Service	AD1	
	Authentication failed	Oct 27,09 9:14:00.763 AM	✗		00-14-5E-95-D6-CC		EAP-TLS	6506-2	GigabitEthernet1/13	802.1X Access Service		12520 EAP-TLS failed SSL/TLS handshake because the client rejected
IDENTITY\ssales	Authentication succeeded	Oct 27,09 9:01:47.120 AM	✓		00-18-F8-09-CF-C5	MSCHAPV2	EAP-MSCHAPV2	4503	FastEthernet			
jgest@acme.com	Authentication succeeded	Oct 27,09 9:21:02.236 AM	✓		10.100.70.200	PAP_ASCII		6503				
	Authentication succeeded	Oct 27,09 9:00:33.833 AM	✓		10.100.21.202	PAP_ASCII		WLC-52				
00-16-41-AC-EB-43	Authentication failed	Oct 27,09 9:19:33.800 AM	✗		00-16-41-AC-EB-43	Lookup		6503	FastEthernet			Identity Store/s

Detailed Reports Are Lifesavers

ACS 5.1 Details Report

AAA Protocol > RADIUS Authentication Detail

RADIUS Audit Session ID : 0A640A040000004D19577725
ACS session ID : area52/59261818/1077
Date : May 4, 2010

Generated on May 4, 2010 3:17:03 PM PDT

Authentication Summary

Logged At: May 4, 2010 2:44:30.680 PM
RADIUS Status: **Authentication succeeded**
NAS Failure:
Username: SEP001E4AA900A8
MAC/IP Address: 00-1E-4A-A9-00-A8
Network Device: IDF-SJ-24-2-4503-1 : 10.100.10.4 : FastEthernet2/48
Access Service: 802.1X Access Service
Identity Store:
Authorization Profiles: Phone Profile
CTS Security Group:
Authentication Method: x509_PKI

Authentication Result

Session Events

Authentication Details

Steps

User-Name=SEP001E4AA900A8
Class=CACS:area52/59261818/1077
EAP-Key-Name=0d:4b:e0:8a:c6:24:88:a1
cisco-av-pair=device-traffic-class=voice

IDF-SJ-24-2-4503-1

Device Type:All Device Types:Wired
Location:All Locations:US:San Jose:Bldg-24

Authorization Policy Matched Rule: LSC Phone Rule

Protocol=Radius
Service-Type=Framed
Framed-MTU=1500
SessionID=area52/59261818/1077;
Called-Station-ID=00-1F-6C-3E-56-8F

12801 Prepared TLS ChangeCipherSpec message.
12802 Prepared TLS Finished message.
12816 TLS handshake succeeded.
12509 EAP-TLS full handshake finished successfully
12505 Prepared EAP-Request with another EAP-TLS challenge
11006 Returned RADIUS Access-Challenge
11001 Received RADIUS Access-Request
Evaluating Identity Policy
15006 Matched Default Rule
22037 Authentication Passed
Evaluating Authorization Policy
15004 Matched rule
15016 Selected Authorization Profile - Phone Profile
11002 Returned RADIUS Access-Accept

Monitor Mode: Network Access Table

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Sponsored Guest	802.1X Fail/Timeout -> MAB Fail	Enterprise Access	Open authentication
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Low Impact Mode

ACME's Goals: Phase 2

- Maintain Visibility
- Control Access to Sensitive Assets
- Preserve Network Access for Managed Assets
 - Special Case: PXE boot
- Preserve Current Network Architecture
 - No changes to VLAN infrastructure



**ACME's Goals Can Be Met With
Low Impact Mode**

Access Control & Clientless Devices

The Timing Problem With MAB

- MAB depends on 802.1X timeout
- Many devices are time-sensitive
- DHCP is especially finicky



The Low Impact Solution

- Provide access to time-critical services **before** authentication
- Continue to restrict access to other services until after authentication

ACME's Time-Critical Services



- DHCP, DNS, TFTP
- This is enough for PXE devices to boot before MAB completes

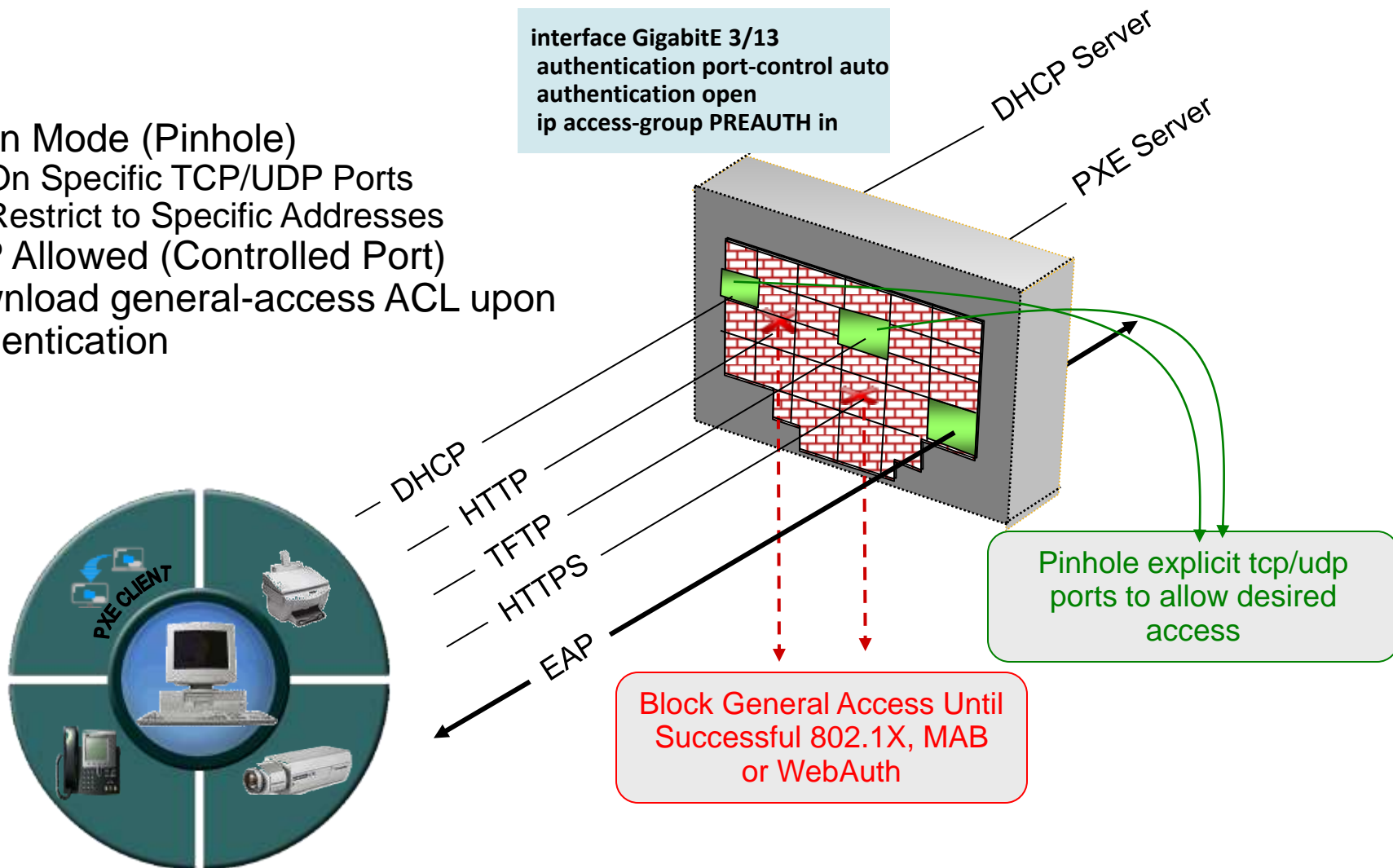
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All	None (AAA server down)	Limited Access	

Low Impact Implementation

Limited (“Selectively Open”) Access

- Open Mode (Pinhole)
 - On Specific TCP/UDP Ports
 - Restrict to Specific Addresses
- EAP Allowed (Controlled Port)
- Download general-access ACL upon authentication



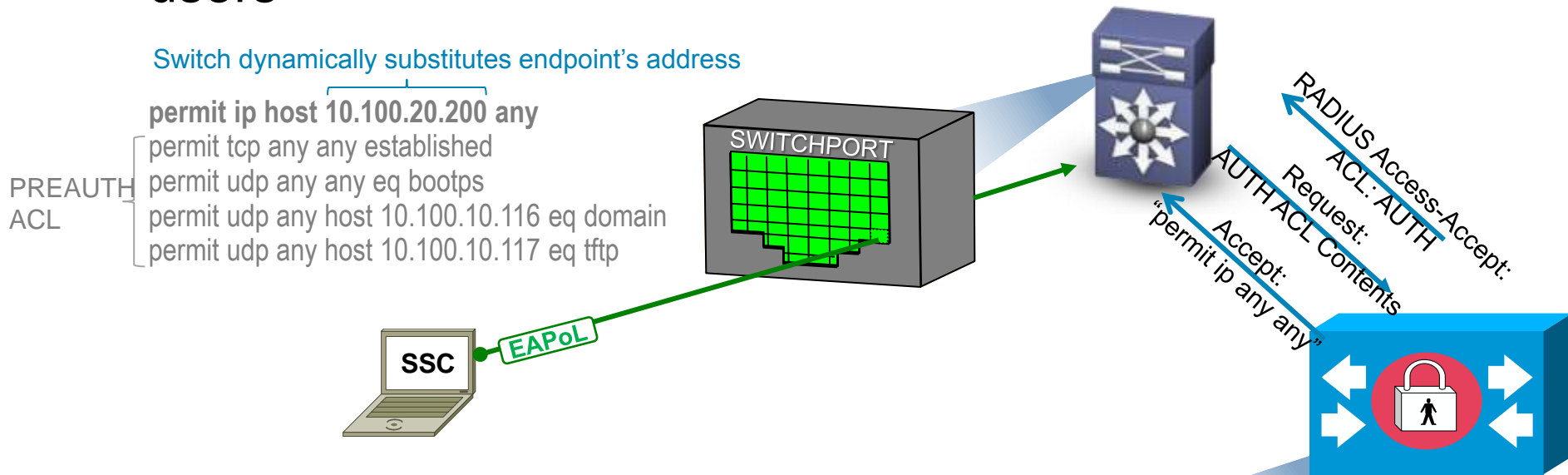
dACLs Open Port After Authentication

- Configure downloadable ACLs (dACL) for authenticated users

Switch dynamically substitutes endpoint's address

PREAUTH
ACL

```
permit ip host 10.100.20.200 any
permit tcp any any established
permit udp any any eq bootps
permit udp any host 10.100.10.116 eq domain
permit udp any host 10.100.10.117 eq tftp
```



- Contents of dACL are arbitrary.
- Can have as many unique dACLs as there are user permission groups
- Same principles as pre-auth port ACL

Policy Elements : Authorization and Permissions > Name

General	
Name:	AUTH
Description:	Dynamic ACL for Authorized Users
Downloadable ACL Content	
permit ip any any	

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DEMO Time

PXE boot and Enterprise Access

pre-Auth ACL

dACL

Low Impact Mode: Flex Auth

Flexible Authentication: “Flex-Auth”

One Configuration Fits Most

Configurable behavior after
802.1X timeout :

1) Next-Method

Configurable behavior after
802.1X failure:

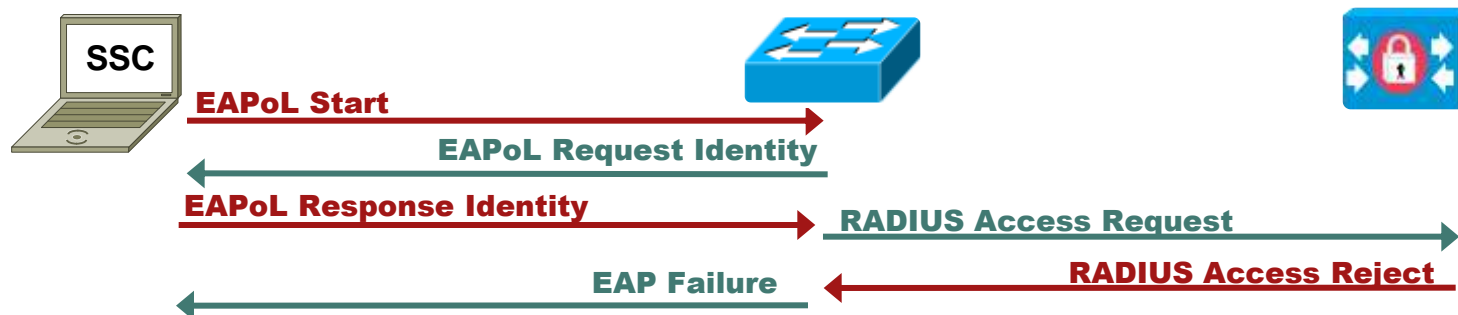
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Configurable order and
priority of authentication
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Configurable behavior
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dies

802.1X Failure vs. 802.1X Timeout

An 802.1X **failure** occurs when the AAA server rejects the request:

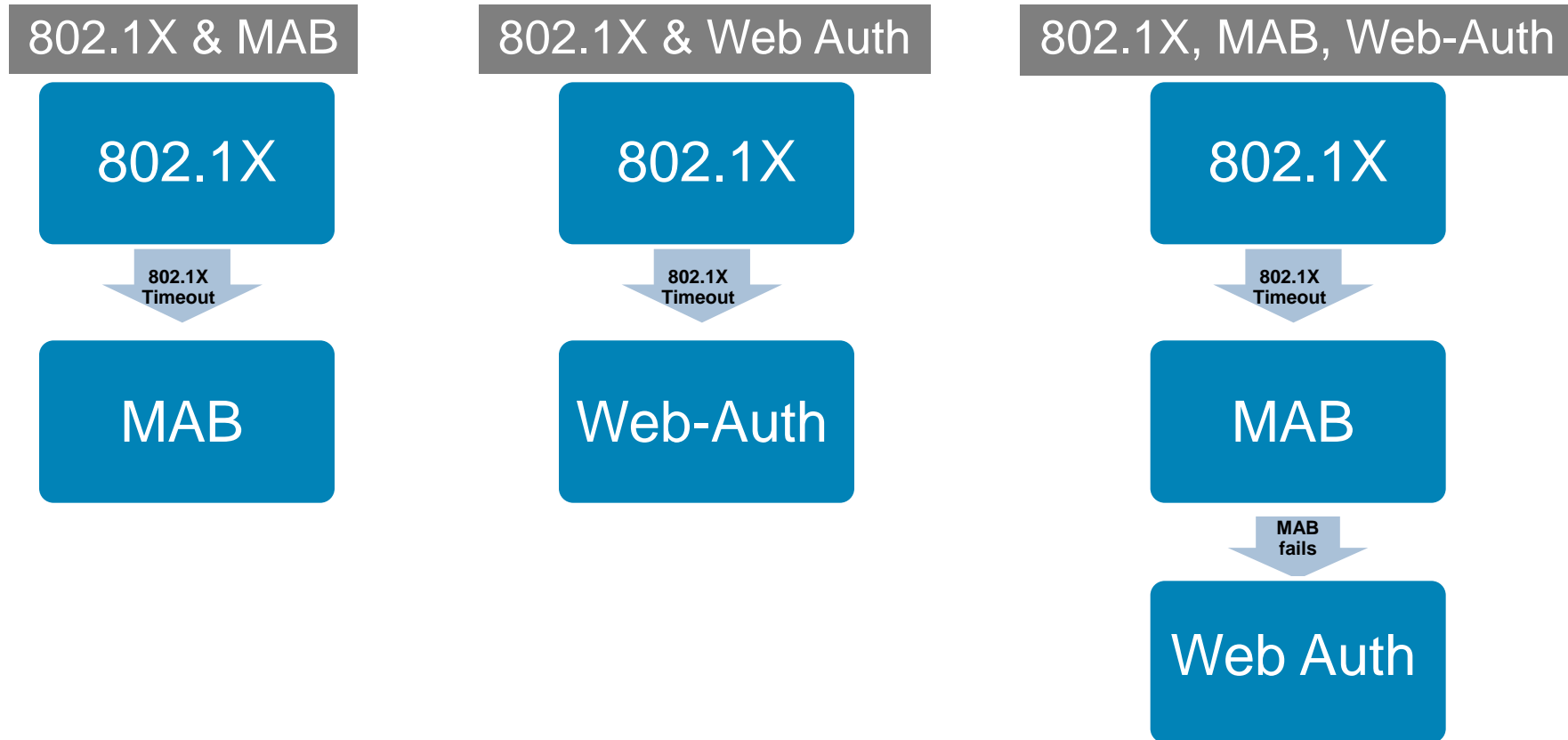


A **timeout** occurs when an endpoint can't speak 802.1X:



Default Behavior on 802.1X Timeout

- After 802.1X times out, port automatically falls back to “next-method” if another method is configured.



Flex-Auth for 802.1X Failures

Low Impact Mode

Configurable behavior after
802.1X timeout :

1) Next-Method

Configurable behavior after
802.1X failure:

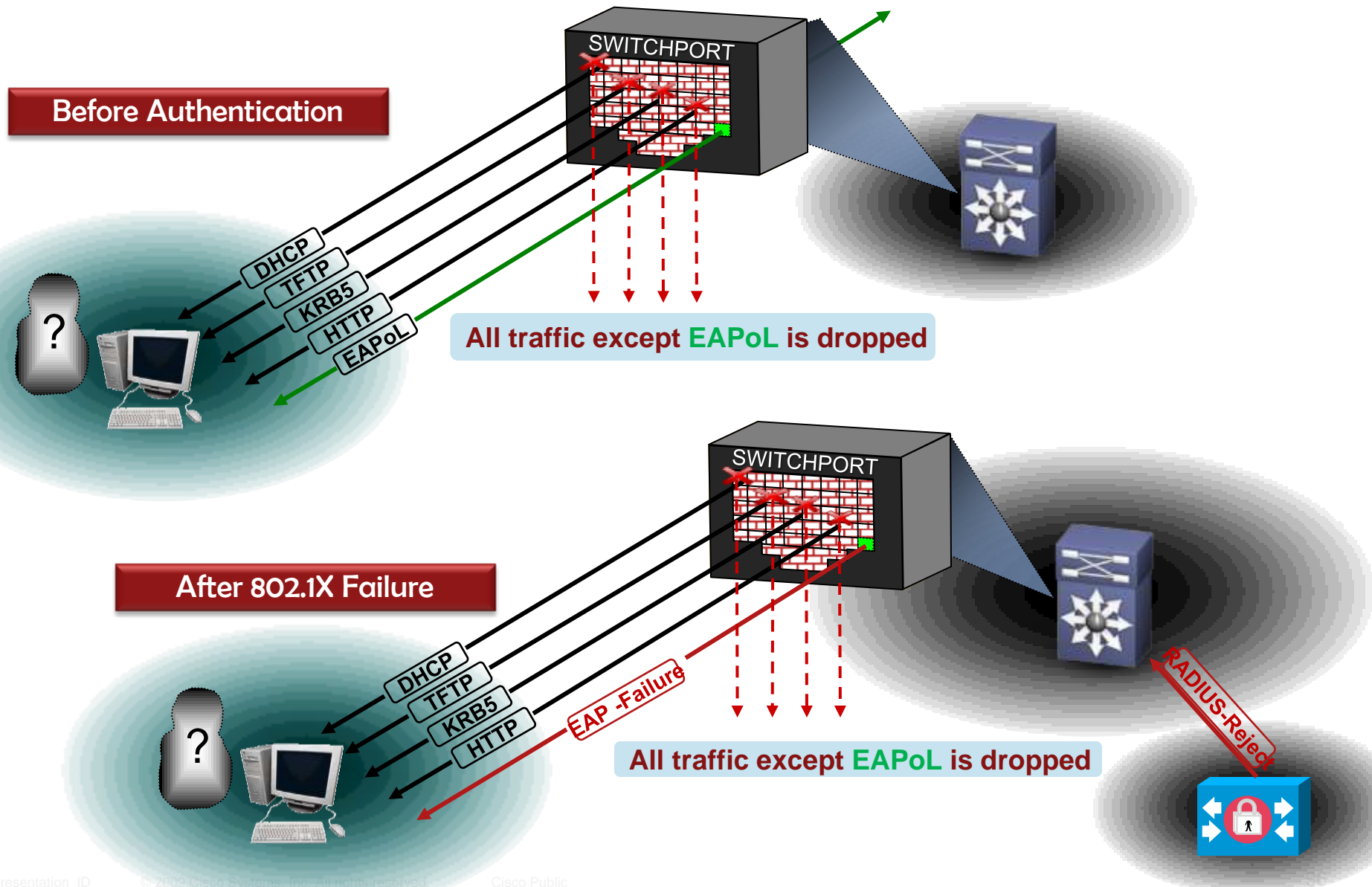
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Default Security After 802.1X Failure

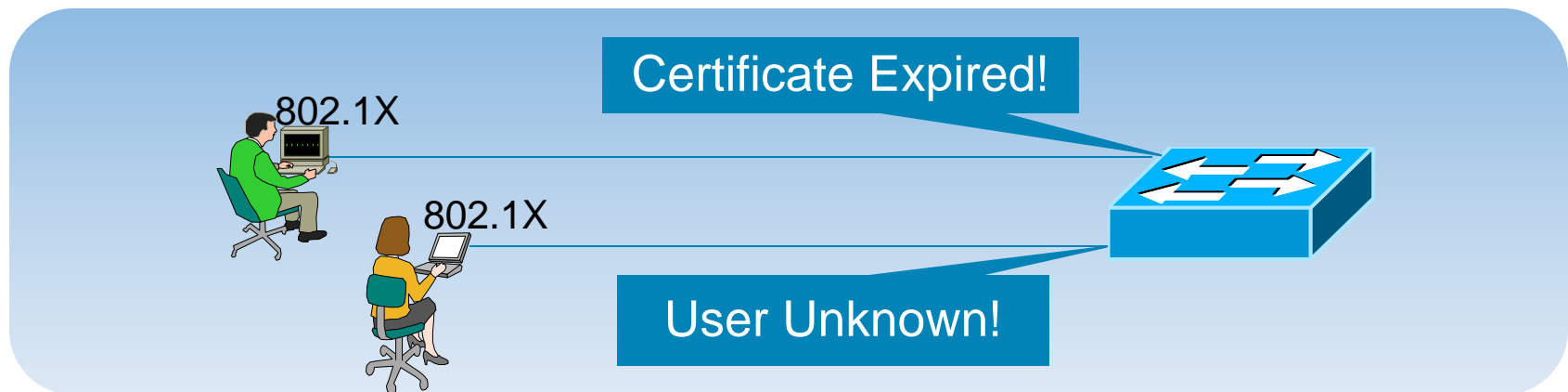


Why Provide Access to Devices that Fail?

Employees' credentials expire or get entered incorrectly

As 802.1X becomes more prevalent, more guests will fail auth because they have 802.1X enabled by default.

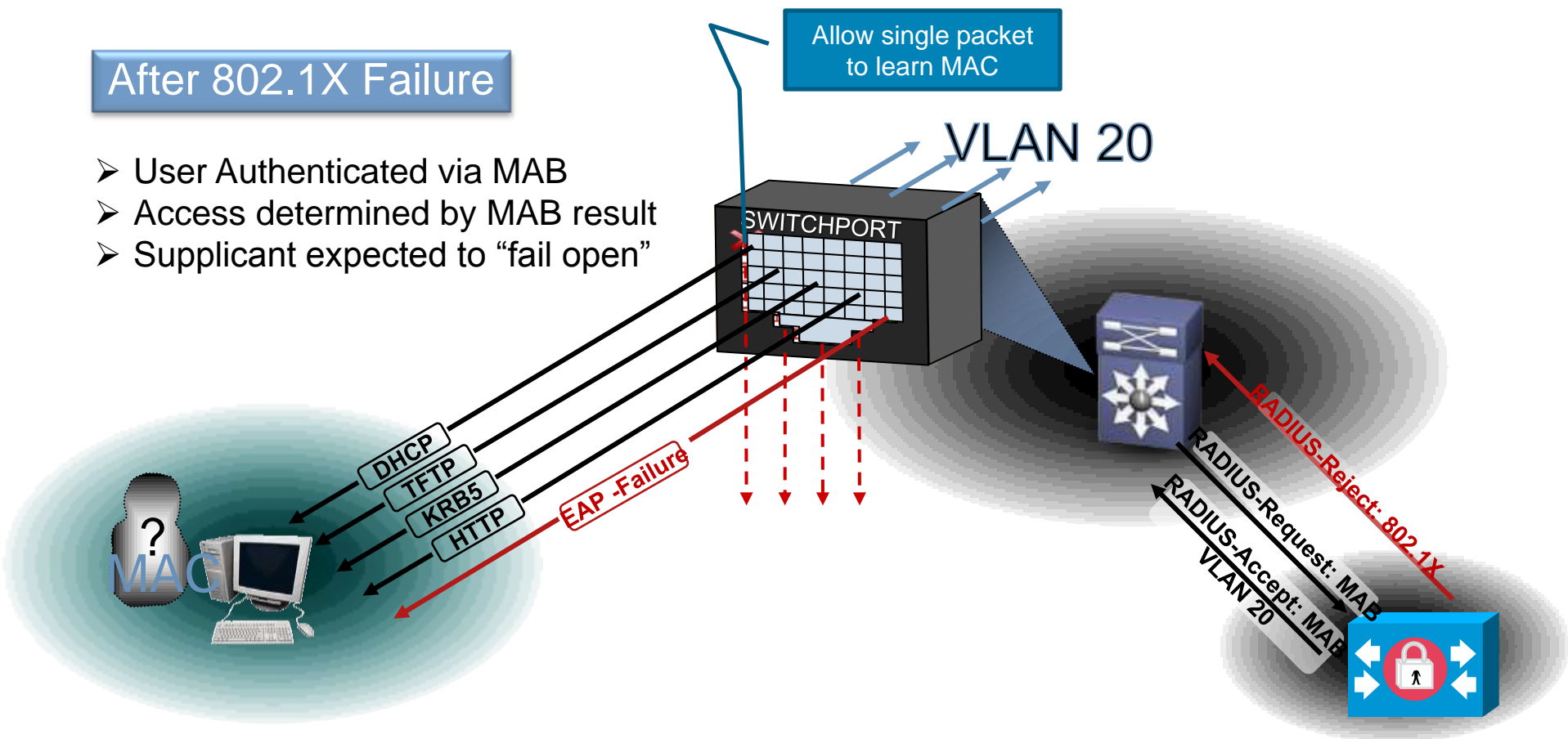
Many enterprises require guests and failed corporate assets get conditional access to the network



Failed Auth with Flex-auth: Next-method

After 802.1X Failure

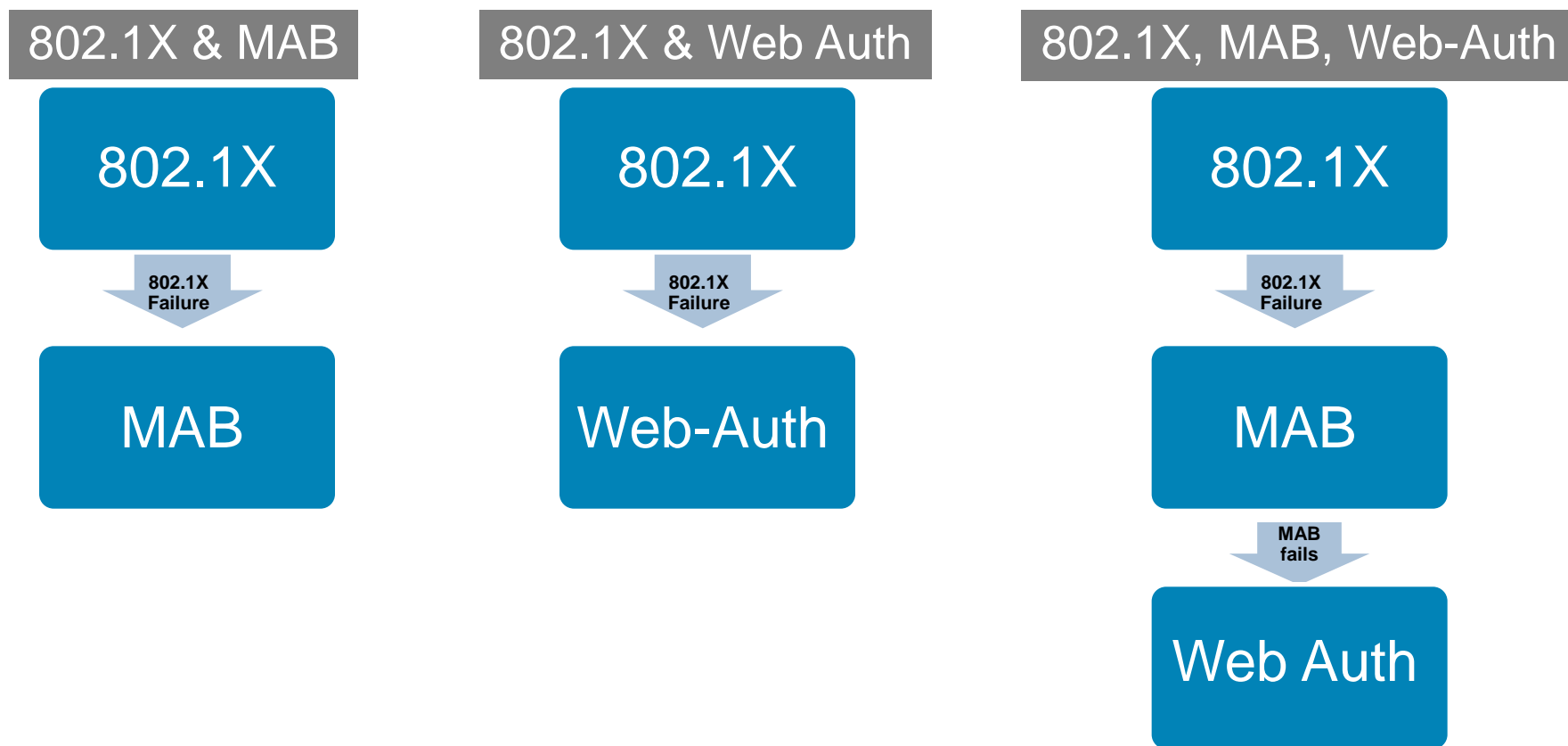
- User Authenticated via MAB
- Access determined by MAB result
- Supplicant expected to “fail open”



```
6506-2(config-if)#authentication event fail action next method
6506-2(config-if)#authentication order dot1x mab
```

802.1X Failure with Next-Method

- When port is configured to fail to next method, port falls back to “next-method” in the following order.



Flex-Auth Order & Priority

Configurable behavior after
802.1X timeout :

1) Next-Method

Configurable behavior after
802.1X failure:

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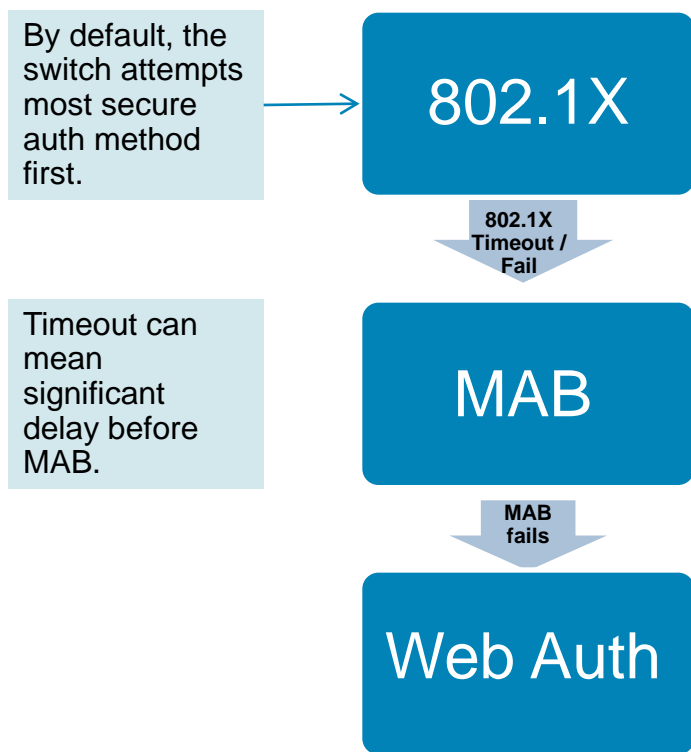
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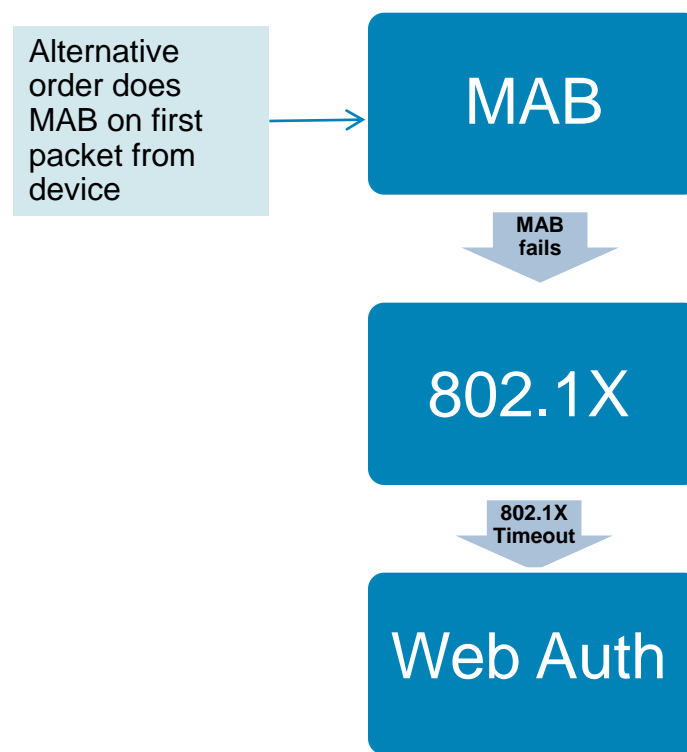
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Flex-Auth Sequencing

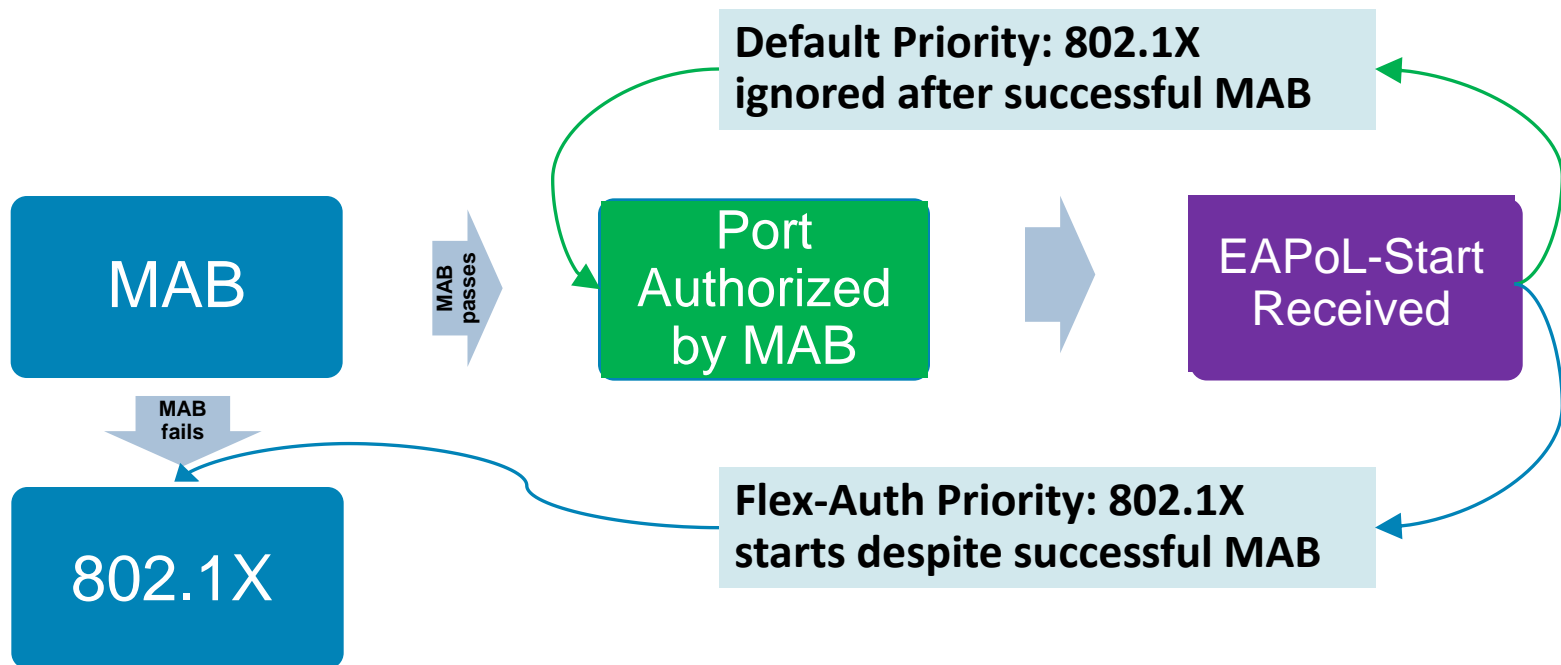
Default Order: 802.1X First



Flex-Auth Order: MAB First



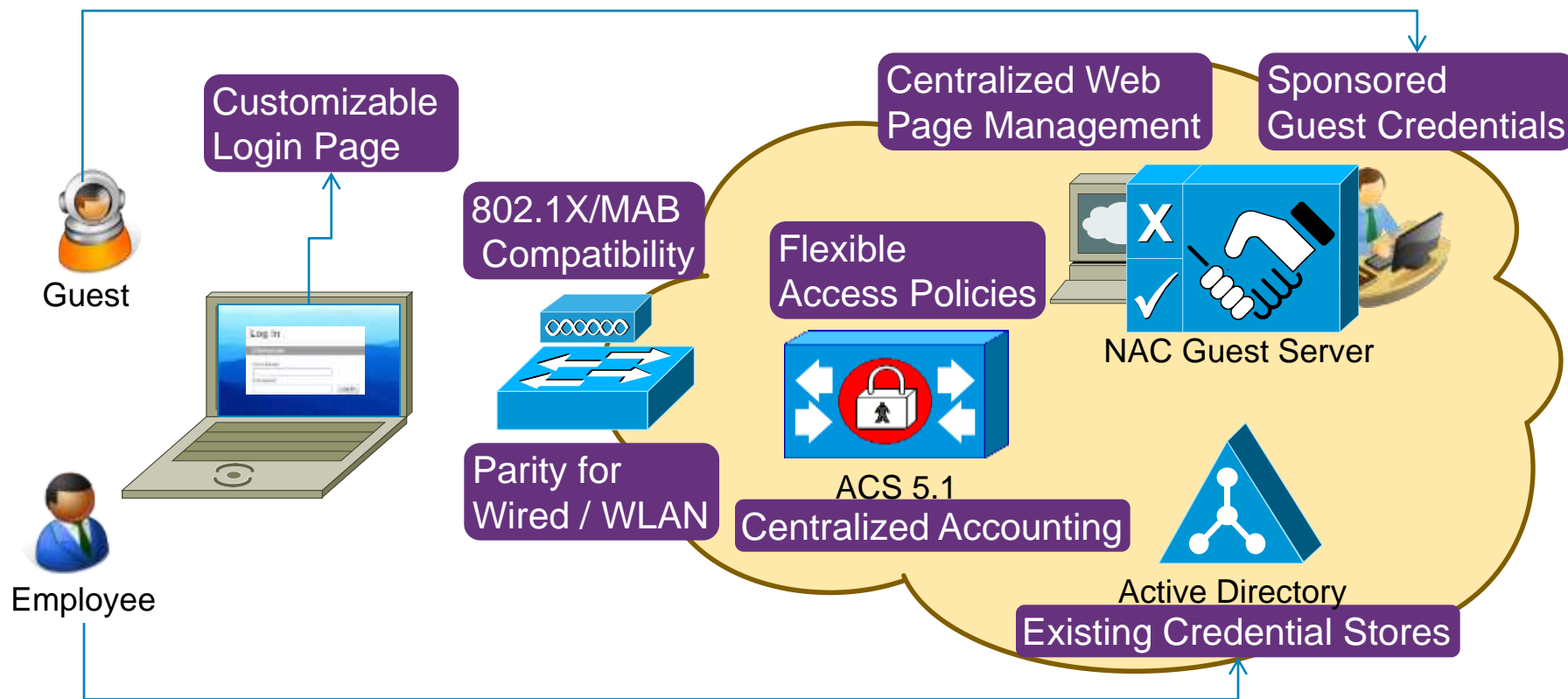
Flex-Auth Order with Flex-Auth Priority



- Priority determines which method can preempt other methods.
- By default, method sequence determines priority (first method has highest priority).
- If MAB has priority, EAPoL-Starts will be ignored if MAB passes.

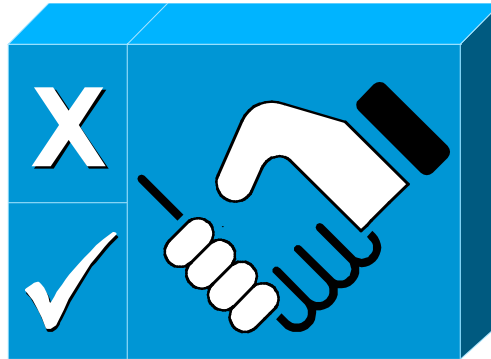
Low Impact Mode: Web Auth

What ACME Expects for Web Auth



Integrated Local Web Authentication

Introducing...Web-Auth's New Best Friend



NAC Guest Server (NGS)

- Multi-Function Standalone Appliance
- Customizable Hotspot Hosting
- Sponsored Guest Access Provisioning, Verification, Management

Product Bulletin: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/vpndevc/ps5707/ps8418/ps6128/prod_bulletin0900aecd806f3235.html
Data Sheet: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/vpndevc/ps5707/ps8418/ps6128/product_data_sheet0900aecd806e98c9.html

Basic Wired: Distributed Login Pages

Default (Auth-Proxy Banner)

```
ip admission auth-proxy-banner http ^C Here is  
what the auth-proxy-banner looks like ^C
```

Here is what the auth-proxy-banner looks like

Username:

Password:

OK

Text only

Fixed Text

4 files, 8KB max each

Customized

```
ip admission proxy http login expired page file bootflash:expired.html  
ip admission proxy http login page file bootflash:login.html  
ip admission proxy http success page file bootflash:success.html  
ip admission proxy http failure page file bootflash:fail.html
```



Username:

Contraseña:

Conectarse

Para acceder a los recursos internos debe establecer una sesión VPN.

Cisco Networkers
2009

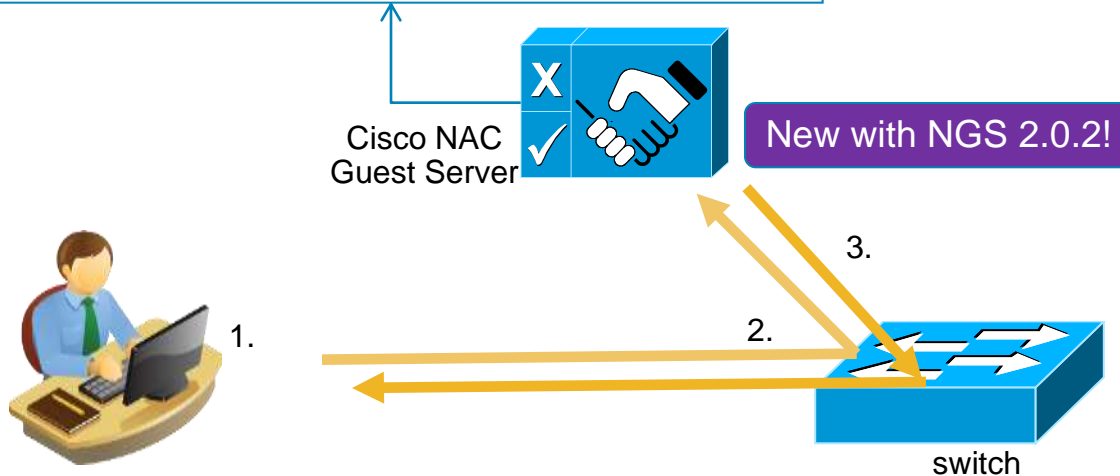
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Enhanced Web Auth – Centralized Login Page

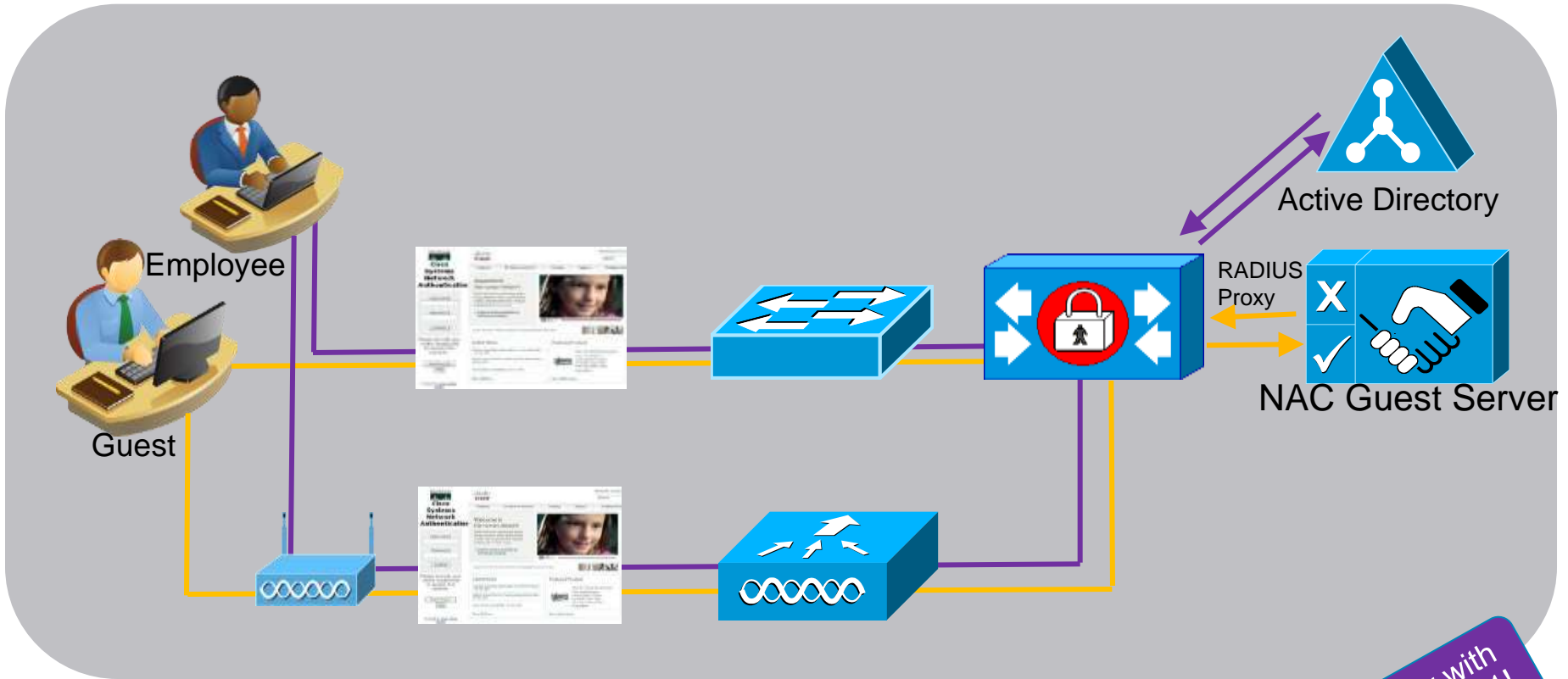


The image shows a web browser window displaying the Cisco NAC Guest Server login page. At the top left is the Cisco logo. Below it, the text reads: "Welcome to the NGS-provided login page for Local Web Authentication!". There are two input fields: "Username:" and "Password:". Below the password field is an "Ok" button.

1. Guest opens Web browser
2. Web traffic is intercepted by switch and redirected to Guest Server.
3. Guest Server returns centralized login page



Guests and/or Employees



- ACS can use RADIUS proxy to validate sponsored guest credentials on NGS
- ACS can query other ID stores (like AD) to validate employee credentials
- ACS policy can assign different levels of access to Guest and Employee

New with ACS 5.1!

Low Impact: Network Access Table

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DEMO Time

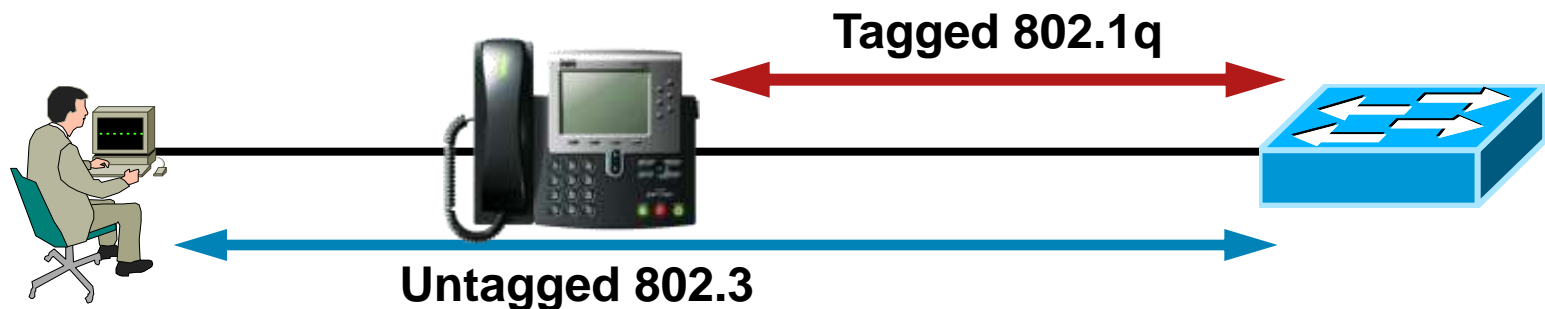
Next-Method for 802.1X Timeout & Fail

Web-Auth

Low Impact Mode: IP Telephony

802.1X & IPT: A Special Case

- **Voice Ports**
- With Voice Ports, a port can belong to two VLANs, while still allowing the separation of voice/data traffic while enabling you to configure 802.1X
- An access port able to handle two VLANs
 - Native or Port VLAN Identifier (PVID) / Authenticated by 802.1X
 - Auxiliary or Voice VLAN Identifier (VVID) / “Authenticated” by CDP
- Hardware set to dot1q trunk



IPT & 802.1X: Fundamental Challenges

1 One device per port

“The operation of Port Access Control assumes that the Ports on which it operate offer a point-to-point connection between a single Supplicant and a single Authenticator. It is this assumption that allows the authentication decision to be made on a per-Port basis.”

IEEE 802.1X rev 2004

2 Link State Dependency

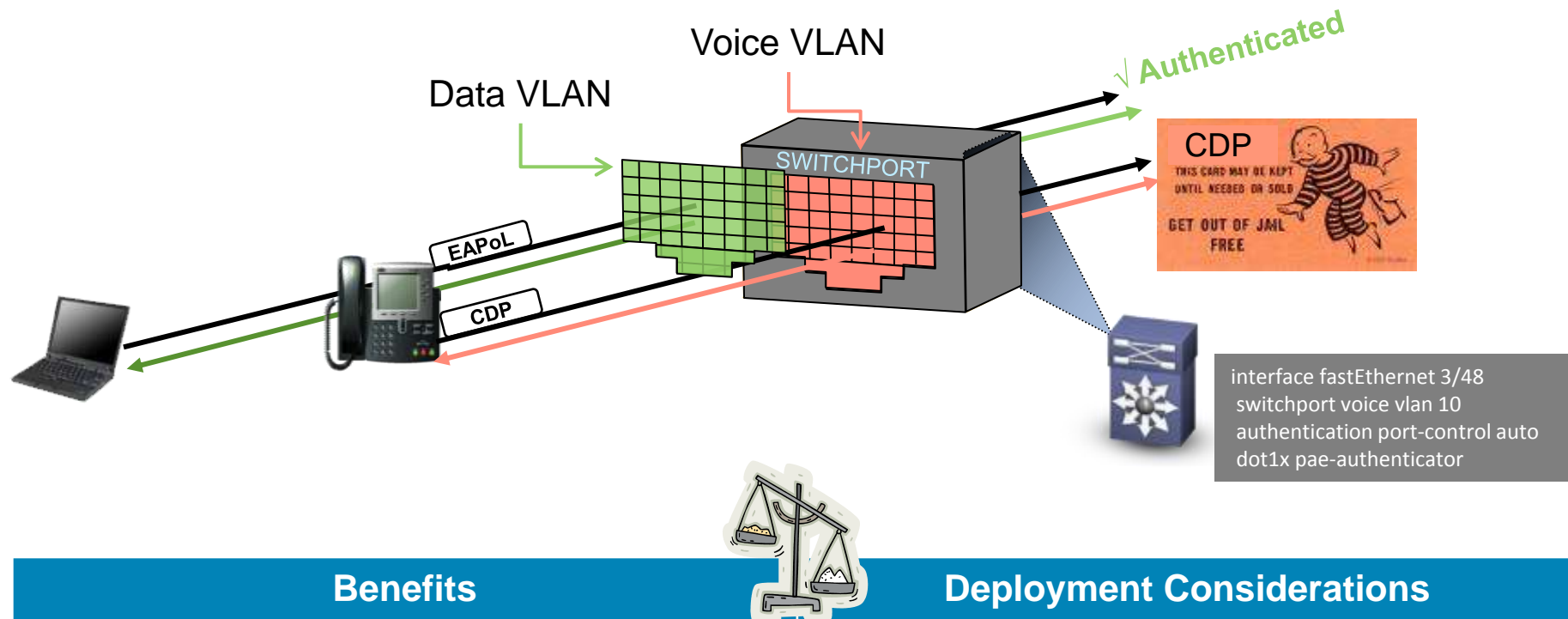
1 Two devices per port

Security Violation

2 PC Link State is Unknown to Switch

IPT Breaks the Point-to-Point Model

First Solution: CDP Bypass



Benefits

- Access to voice VLAN after phone sends CDP
- Default behavior: Cisco IP Phones get access if voice VLAN configured
- Works for all Cisco phone models

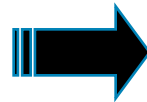
Deployment Considerations

- CDP-capable hackers get full access, too.
- No visibility, No access control
- Incompatible with dynamic VVID, downloadable ACLs (dACLs), PC Web Auth

Second Solution: Multi-Domain Authentication (MDA) Host Mode

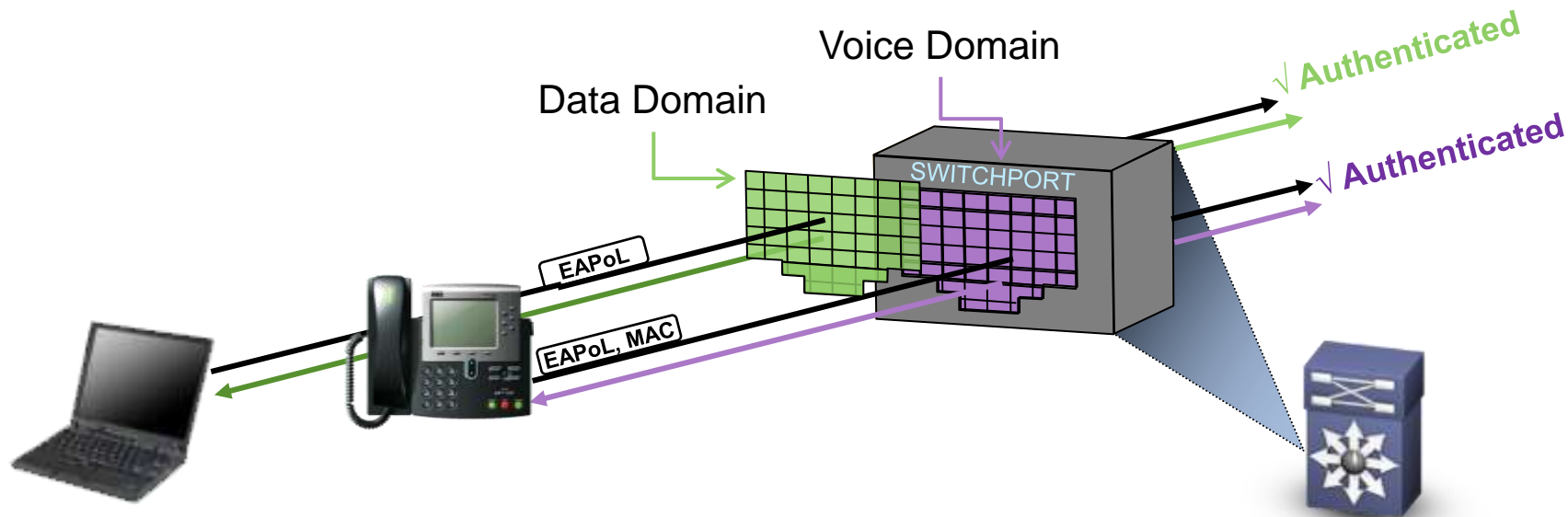
IEEE 802.1X

Single device per port



MDA

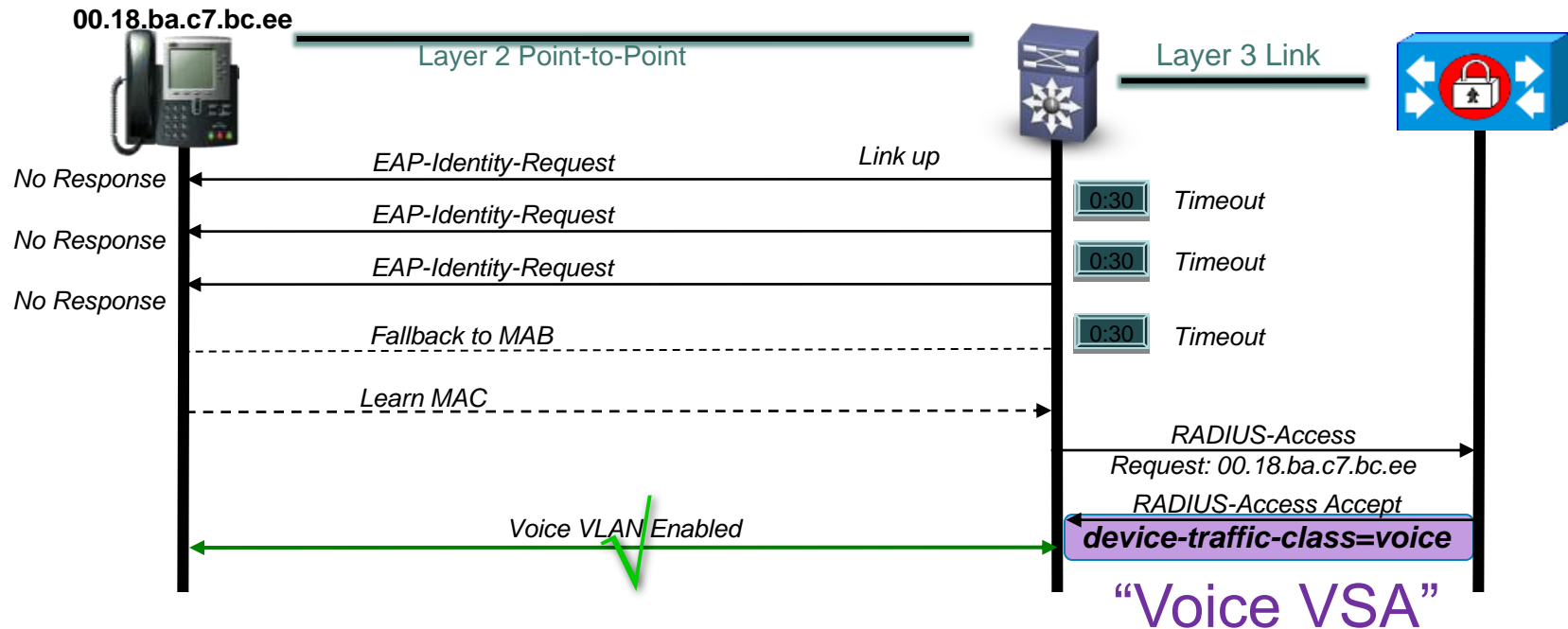
Single device *per domain* per port



- Phones and PCs use 802.1X or MAB
- MDA is a subset of Multi-Auth

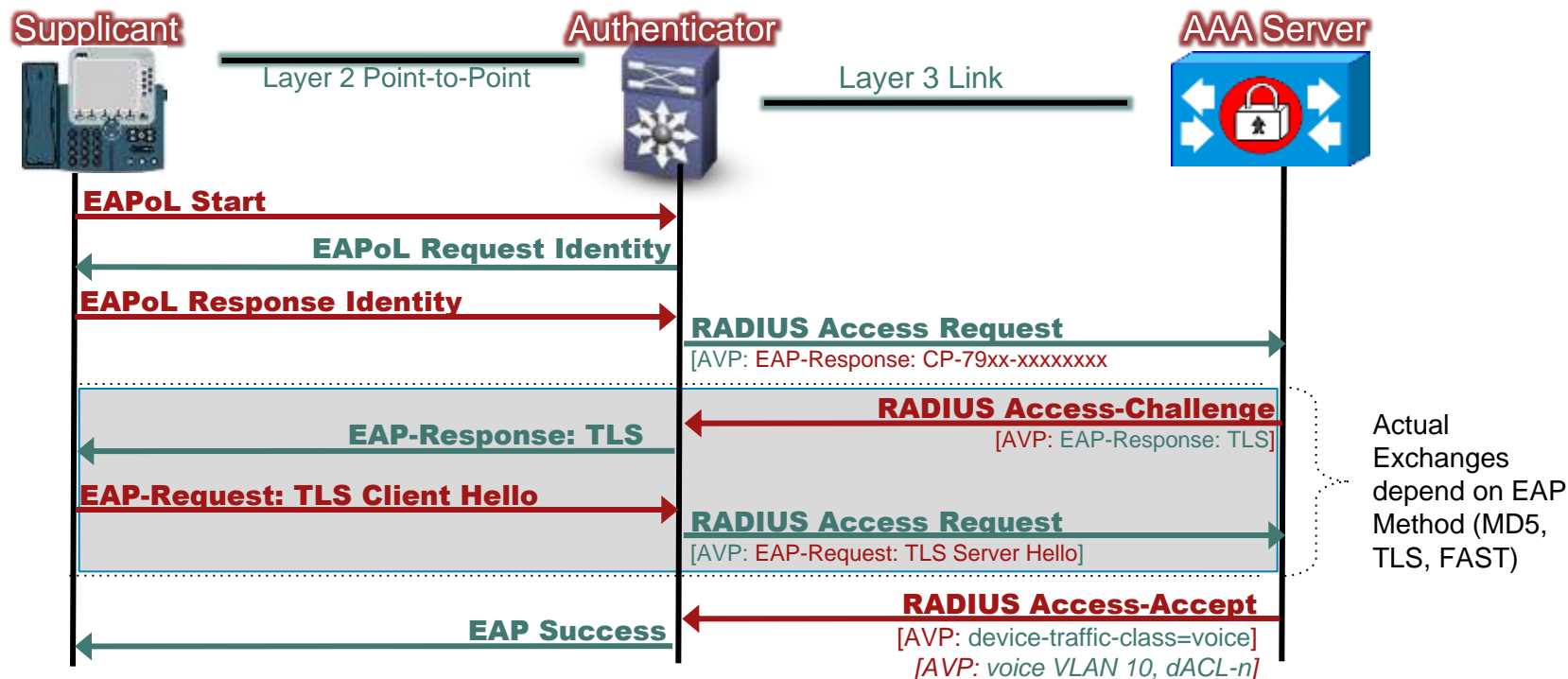
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authentication host-mode multi-domain

MDA with MAC Authentication Bypass (MAB)



Benefits	Deployment Considerations
No client, no credential needed -> Works for all Cisco phone models	Dependency on AAA server
Enables visibility, access control	Must create & maintain phone MAC database
Compatible with 802.1X features	Default 802.1X timeout = 90 seconds latency (mitigated by Low Impact Mode)

MDA with 802.1X



Benefits	Deployment Considerations
Strong Authentication with Minimal Delay	Choice of EAP Method impacts deployability
<u>Can</u> be deployed without touching the phone or creating a database.	<u>Requires:</u> 7970G, 79x1, 79x2, 79x5 <i>with</i> X.509 cert support & firmware 8.5(2)
Compatible with 802.1X features	AAA server dependency

MDA in Action

PC
Authenticated
by 802.1X

Phone
authenticated
by MAB

```
3750-1(config-if)#do sh dot1x int G1/0/5 details
<...>

Dot1x Authenticator Client List
7
Domain                               = DATA
Supplicant                           = 0014.5e42.66df
    Auth SM State                     = AUTHENTICATED
    Auth BEND SM State                = IDLE
Port Status                           = AUTHORIZED
Authentication Method                 = Dot1x
Authorized By                         = Authentication Server

Domain                               = VOICE
Supplicant                           = 0016.9dc3.08b8
    Auth SM State                     = AUTHENTICATED
    Auth BEND SM State                = IDLE
Port Status                           = AUTHORIZED
Authentication Method                 = MAB
Authorized By                         = Authentication Server
```

- Either 802.1X or MAB for phone
- Any combination of 802.1X, MAB, Guest-VLAN, Auth-Fail-VLAN, IAB for PC

Summary: Multiple Hosts per Port



Host Mode	Enforcement	Deployment Considerations
Single	Single mac address per port	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Second mac address triggers a security violation• VMs on the host must share the same mac address.• CDP Bypass is the only IPT solution.
Multi-Domain Auth (MDA)	One Voice Device + One Data Device per port	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Same as single host mode except phone authenticates• Supports third party phones
Multi-Auth	Superset of MDA with multiple Data Devices per port	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Authenticates every mac address in the data domain.• VMs on the host may use different mac addresses.• One VLAN (default port VLAN) for all devices on the port
Multi-Host	One authenticated device allows any number of subsequent mac addresses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not recommended• VMs on the host may use different mac addresses.• CDP Bypass is the only IPT solution.

Low Impact: Network Access Table

Endpoints	Authentication Status	Authorization	Implementation
All (including PXE)	Pre-Auth	Limited Access	Pre-Auth ACL
Employees	802.1X Success	Enterprise Access	Permit-Any dACL
Corporate Asset	MAB Success	Enterprise Access	Permit-Any dACL
Phones	802.1X or MAB Success	Voice Access	MDA with Voice VSA + Permit-Any dACL
Employees	802.1X Fail -> MAB or Web-Auth Success	Enterprise Access	Permit-Any dACL
Sponsored Guest	802.1X Fail/Timeout -> MAB Fail -> Web-Auth Success	Limited + Internet Access	Permit-Internet dACL
Unknown / Unauthorized	802.1X Fail/Timeout -> MAB Fail -> Web-Auth Fail	Limited Access	Pre-Auth ACL
All	None (AAA server down)	Limited Access	Pre-Auth ACL



Cisco IP-Phone 802.1X

Phone Booting





Cisco IP-Phone 802.1X



**Access Via the Security
Settings Menu**



Cisco IP-Phone 802.1X

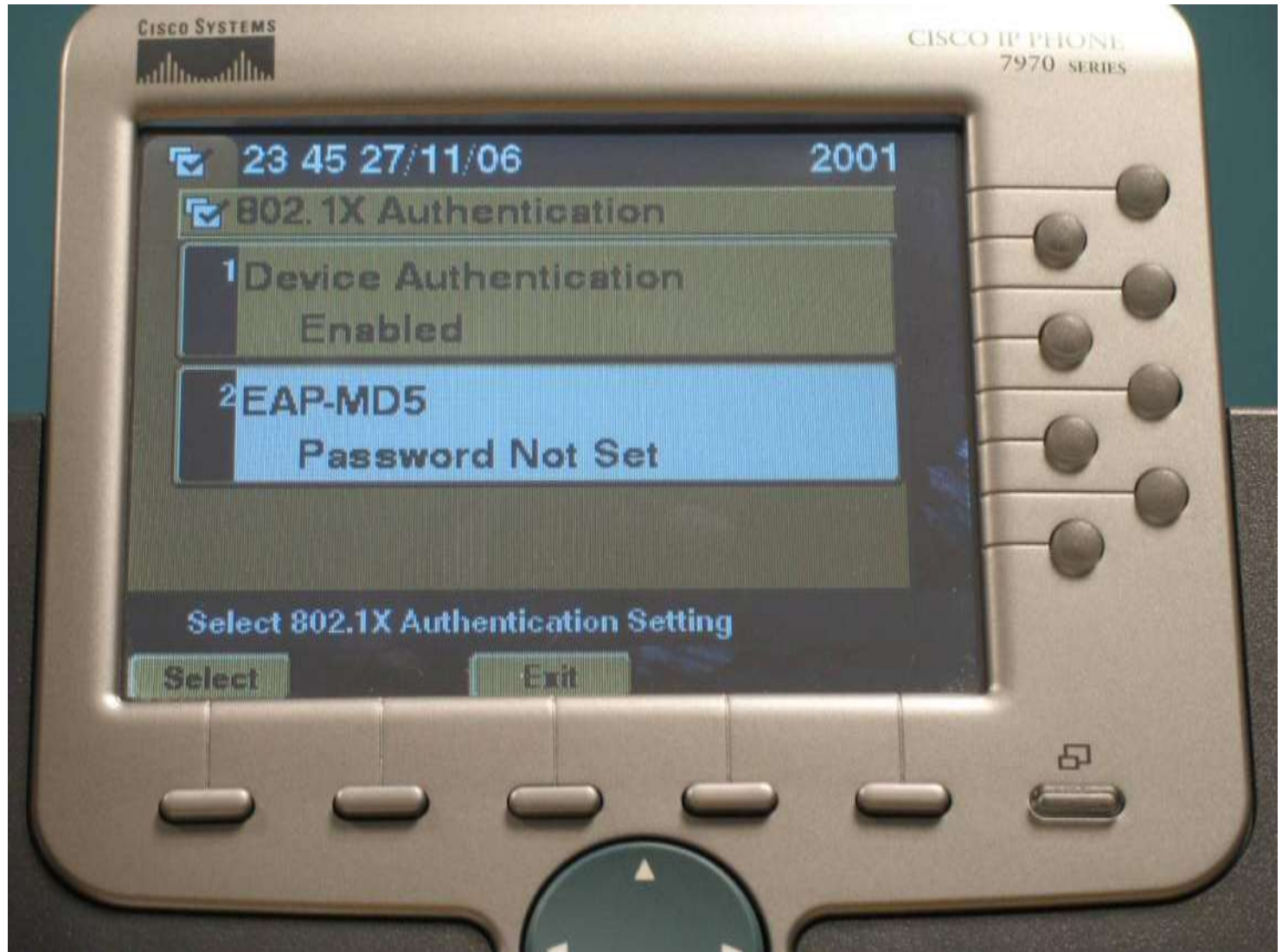
802.1X Off by Default





Cisco IP-Phone 802.1X

Set EAP-MD5 Password





Cisco IP-Phone 802.1X

Device ID must = ACS User ID



Checking Status

Reports and Activity



Select

Reports

TACACS+
Accounting
TACACS+
Admin
RADIUS
Voice
Pass
Auth
Fail
Log
Dis
ACS
Res

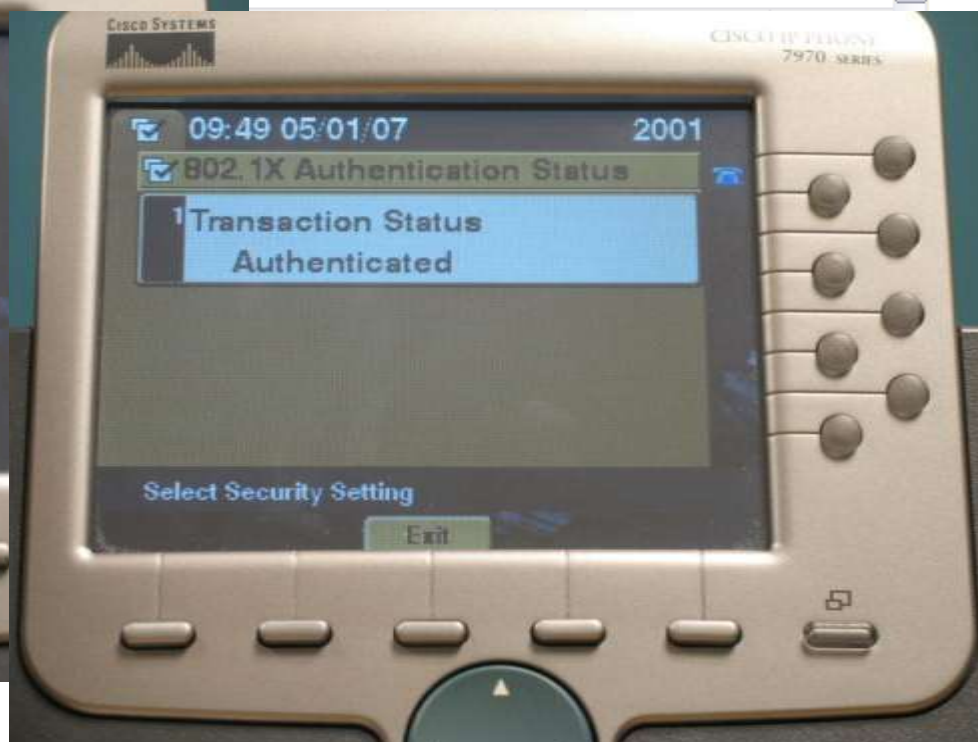
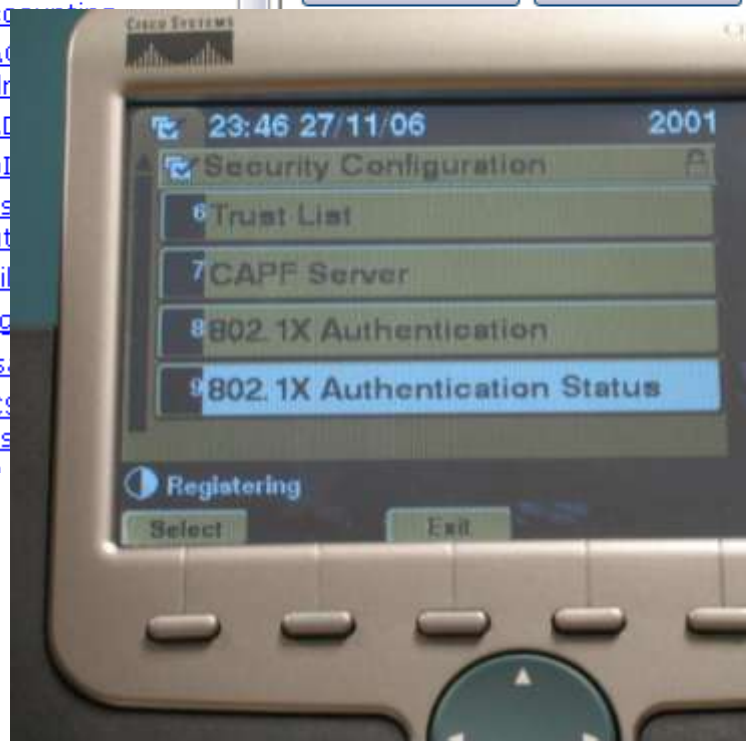
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Regular Expression

Start Date & Time

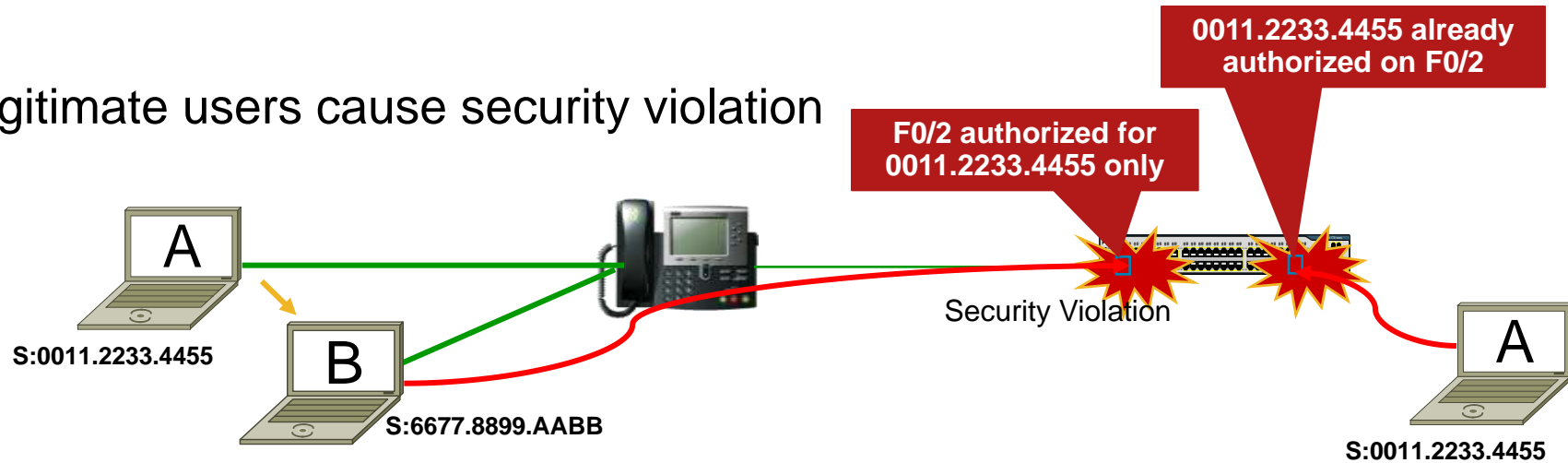
End Date & Time

[Apply Filter](#) [Clear Filter](#)



IPT & 802.1X: The Link-State Problem

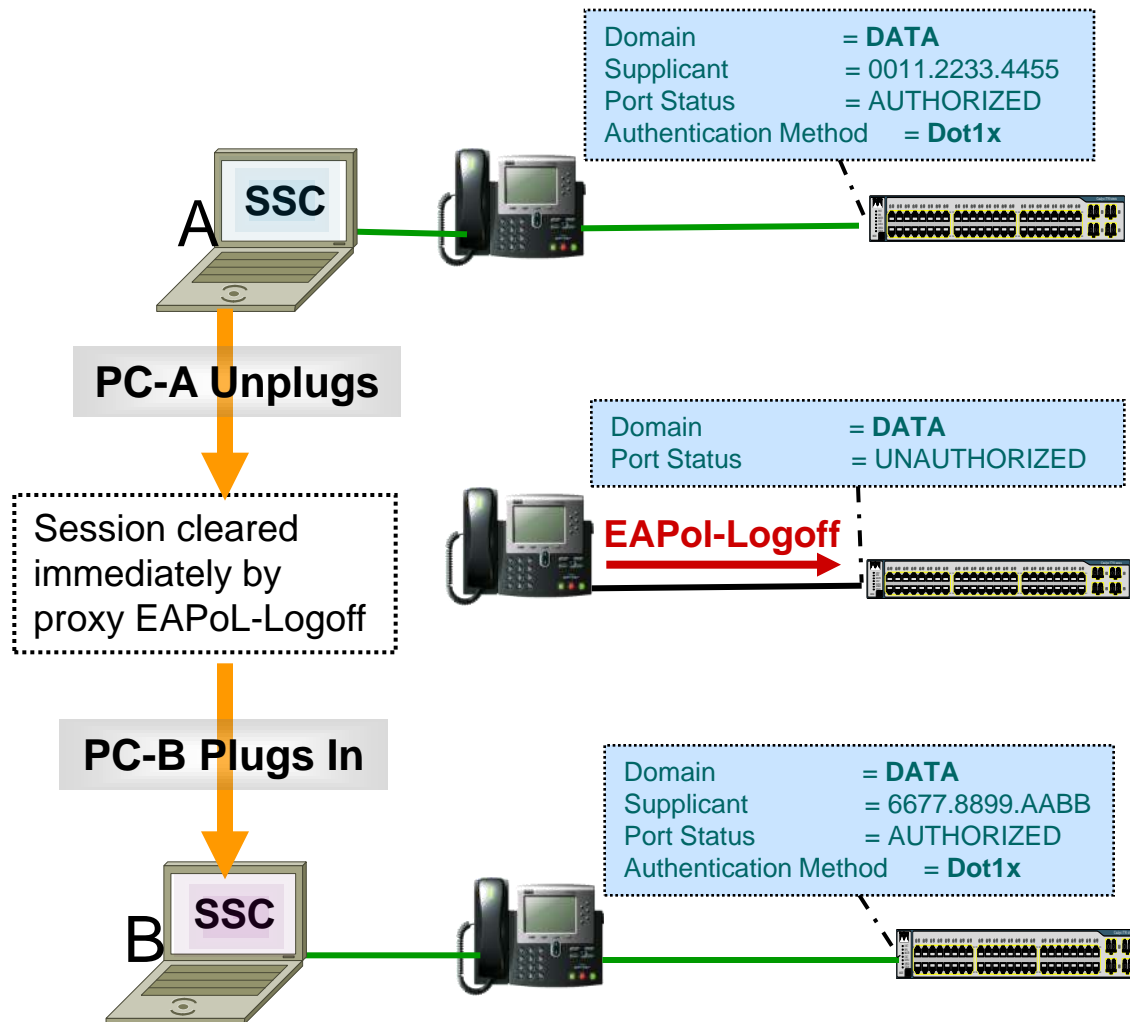
1) Legitimate users cause security violation



2) Hackers can spoof MAC to gain access without authenticating



Partial Solution: Proxy EAPoL-Logoff



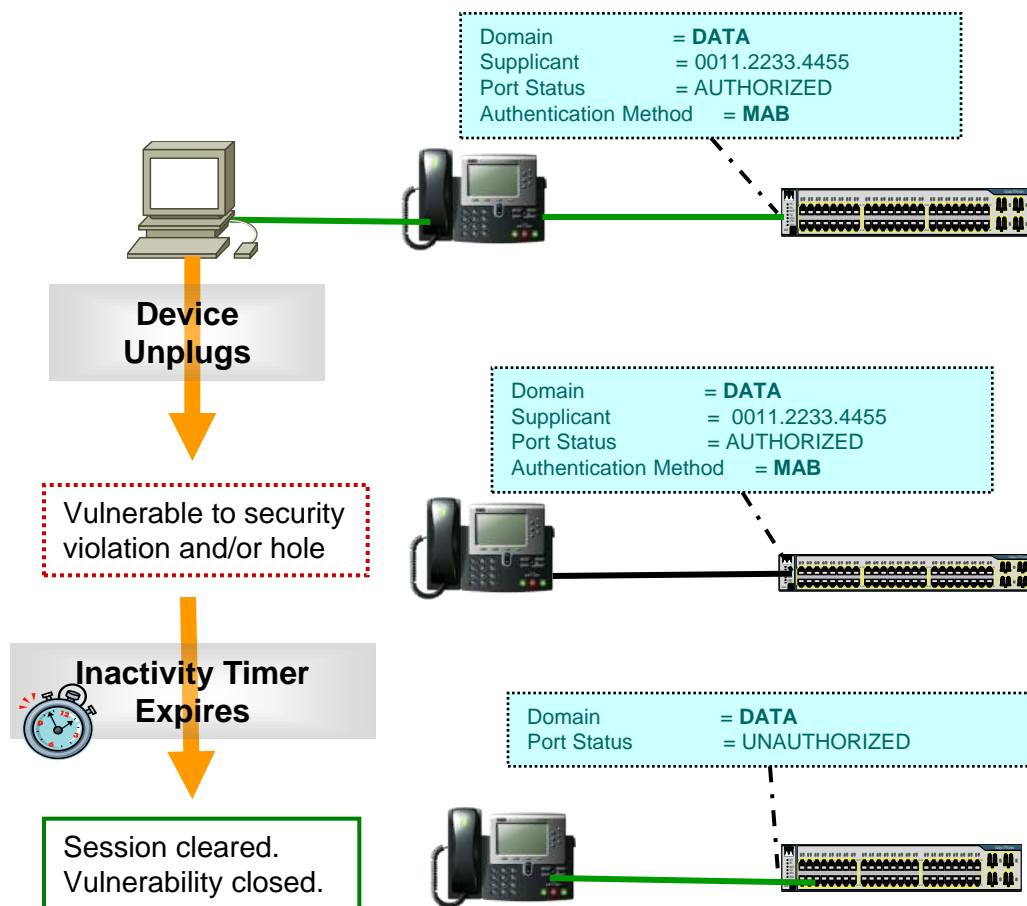
Caveats:

- Only for 802.1X devices behind phone

Requires:

Logoff-capable Phones

Partial Solution: Inactivity Timeout Options



```
interface GigE 1/0/5
switchport mode access
switchport access vlan 2
switchport voice vlan 12
authentication host-mode multi-domain
authentication port-control auto
authentication timer inactivity [300 | server]
mab
```

Caveats:

- ⚠ Quiet devices may have to re-auth; network access denied until re-auth completes.
- ⚠ Still a window of vulnerability.

New

3K: 12.2 (50) SE*
4K: 12.2 (50) SG
6K: 12.2 (33) SXI

Partial Solution: MAC Move

PC MAC: 00-1C-25-BA-6D-3B

Office

Intermediary Device



Conference Room



- 1 PC Connects and Authenticates
- 2 CAM Table updated (MAC/Port)
- 3 PC Moved to new location
- 4 PC Authenticates
- 5 Previous Session deleted and CAM Table updated with new entry

CAM TABLE

MAC Addr	Switchport
00-1C-25-BA-6D-3B	Gigabit Ethernet 1/0/1
00-1C-25-BA-6D-3B	Gigabit Ethernet 1/0/14

Wiring Closet

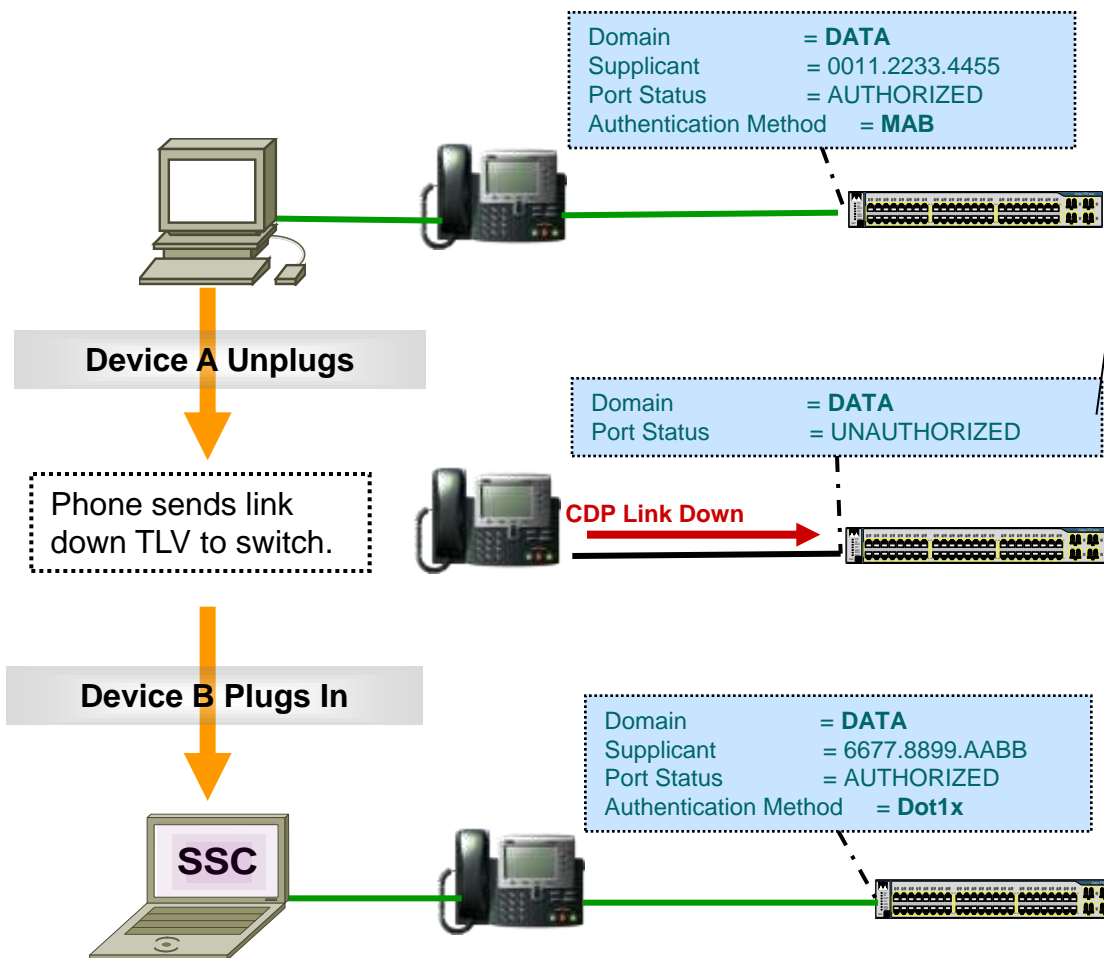


Best Practice: Combine MAC Move with Inactivity Timer



ACS - AAA RADIUS

Full Solution: CDP 2nd Port Notification



```
id-4503#sho cdp neigh g2/1 detail
```

```
-----
Device ID: SEP0015C696E22C
Entry address(es):
IP address: 10.1.200.10
Platform: Cisco IP Phone 7971, Capabilities: Host
Phone Two-port Mac Relay
Interface: GigabitEthernet2/1,
Port ID (outgoing port): Port 1 Holdtime : 168 sec
Second Port Status: Down
```

- ✓ Link status msg addresses root cause
- ✓ Session cleared immediately.
- ✓ Works for MAB, 802.1X, and Web-Auth.
- ✓ Nothing to configure

```
IP Phone: 8.4(1)
3K: 12.2(50)SE
4K: 12.2(50)SG
6K: 12.2(33)SXI
```

DEMO Time

CDP 2nd Port Notifications

Phase 3: High Security Access Control

Phase 3: ACME Gets Acquired by Widget, Inc.

New Security Policy & Network Requirements:

VLAN Segmentation

- Engineers on the ENG VLAN
- Machines on MACHINE VLAN
- Employees/managed assets on DATA VLAN.
- Unauthenticated devices on RESTRICTED VLAN only.

Branch Survivability

- “fail open” when AAA server is unreachable.



**Widget's Goals Can Be Met With
High Security Mode**

How this will happen

Policy Change	Solution Change
VLAN Segmentation	Dynamic Identity-based VLAN assignment
No unauthenticated traffic on DATA VLAN	Open mode -> Closed Mode
Unauthenticated devices on RESTRICTED VLAN only	Local authorization (AuthFail VLAN, Guest VLAN)
Branch Survivability	Critical Auth VLAN

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Dynamic Authorization:

VLAN Assignment

Identity-Based

- Assigned VLAN is based on identity at time of authentication
- Identity can be individual or group

VLAN Name

- VLANs assigned by name (not number); allows for more flexible VLAN management
- Assigned VLAN must match switch configuration; mismatch results in authentication failure.

Standards-Based

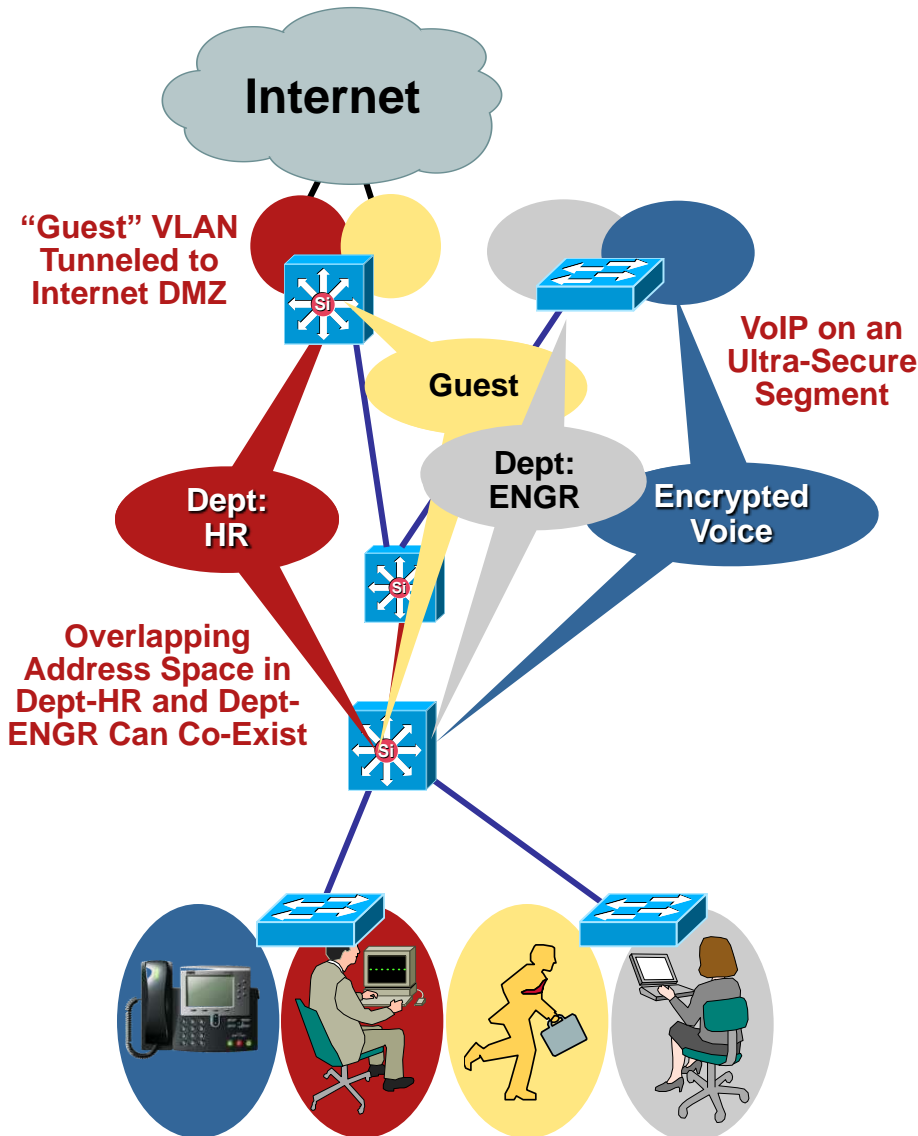
- Usage for VLANs is specified in the IEEE 802.1X standard
- RFC 2868 defines tunnel attributes that AAA server uses to send to VLAN name to switch

Tunnel Attributes

- [64] Tunnel-type—"VLAN" (13)
- [65] Tunnel-medium-type—"802" (6)
- [81] Tunnel-private-group-ID—<VLAN name>

Segmenting Users, Devices and Networks

How to Extend IBNS Policy into the Network...



Use the Network to Provide Isolation and Simplified Policy Enforcement

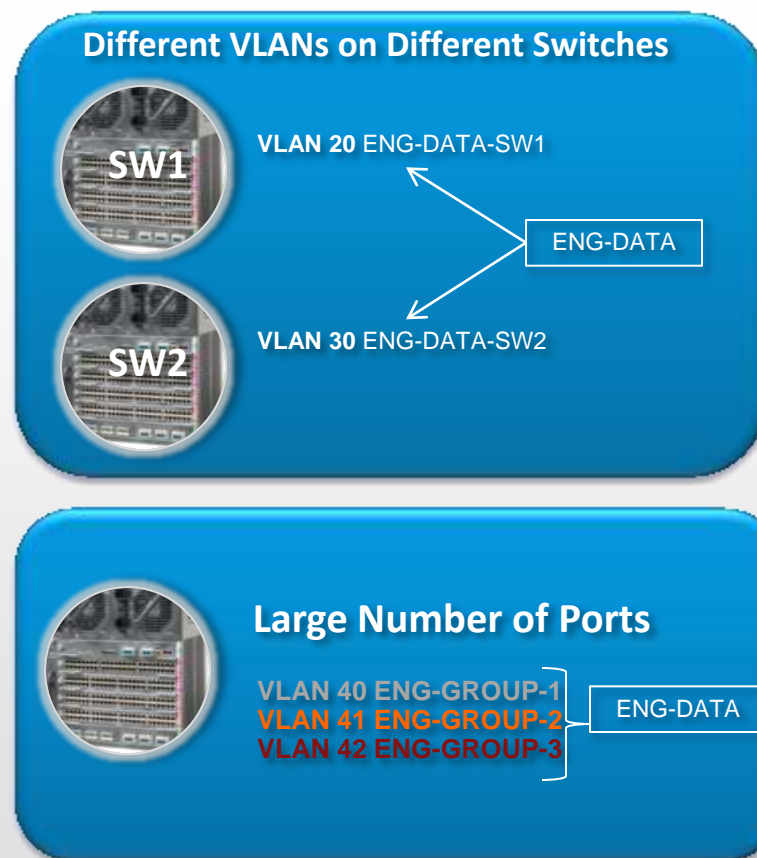
- GRE tunnels and policy routing
- VRF-Lite end-to-end—(virtual route forwarding)
- VRF-Lite at the distribution with MPLS L3 VPNs at the core
- MPLS L3 VPNs end-to-end

802.1X User Distribution

Enhances Dynamic VLAN Assignment

Addresses Two Use Cases:

- Allow **mapping** the Radius provided VLAN name to different VLANs on different switches (*no need to re-configure Radius provided VLAN name*).
- Allow **distribution** of Radius provided VLAN to multiple different VLANs locally available on the same logical switch (*load balancing*) (*reduces broadcast domain*)



User Distribution “Mapping” Can Simplify Migration to Dynamic VLANs

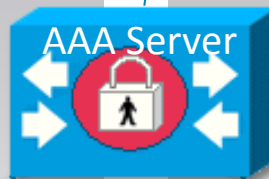
Traditional VLAN assignment is by VLAN *name*

VLAN Name	Number
corporate	30
....



SW1

User	VLAN
Alice	corporate

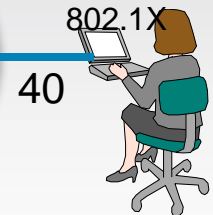


RADIUS
Access-Accept:
corporate

User distribution assigns by VLAN *group* (or name)

VLAN Name	Number
corporate-2	40
....

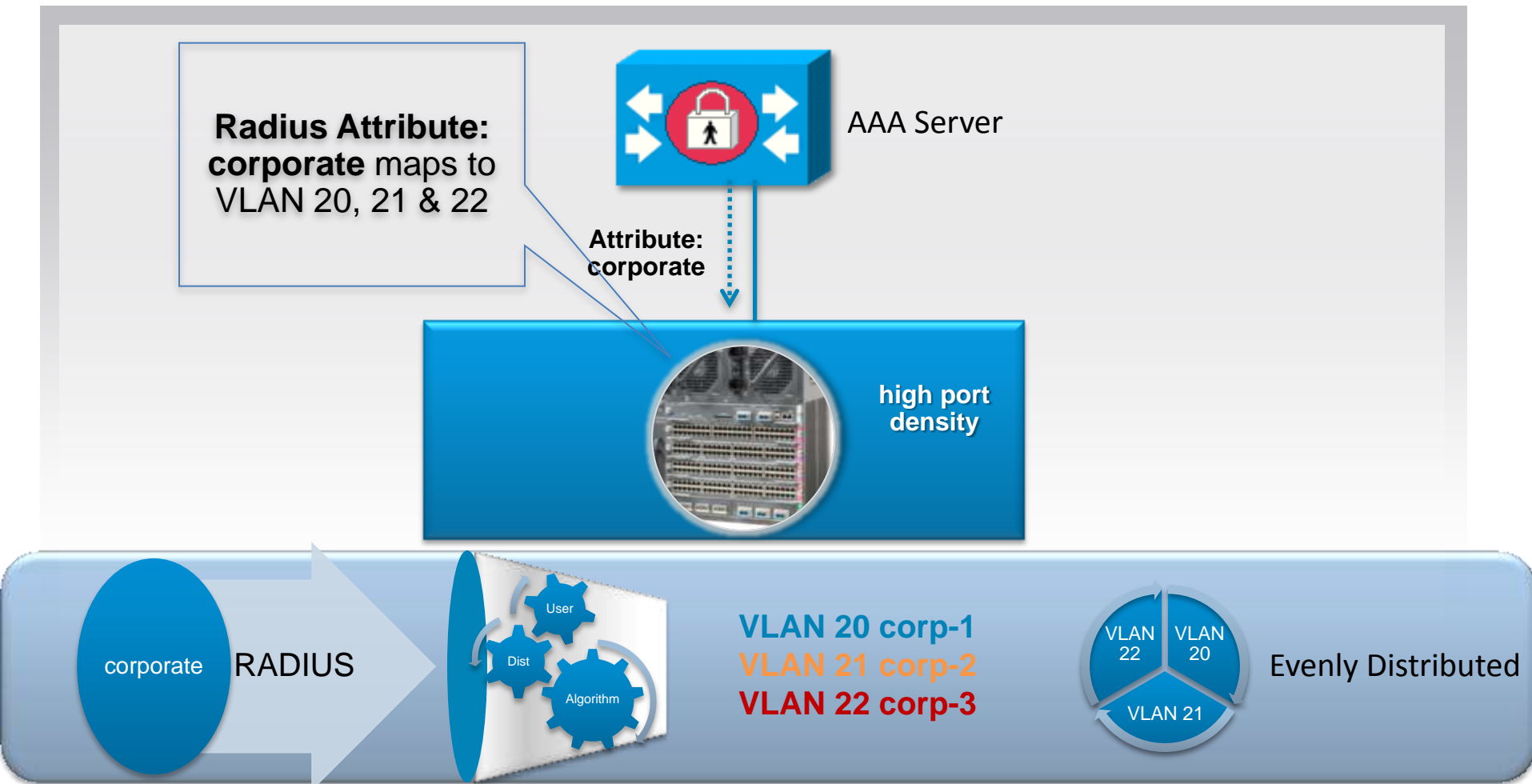
SW2



VLAN Group	Number
corporate	40
....

- ✓ Allows flexible adoption in existing environments
- ✓ **No need to reconfigure existing VLANs**
- ✓ **Simplifies Policy in AAA Server**

User Distribution: “Distribution”



Allows highly scalable 802.1X-based VLAN assignment in a large scale campus LAN deployment

Configuring VLAN groups

```
Switch(config)# vlan group <groupname> vlan-list <list of vlans>
```

<groupname>: Name for the VLAN group starting with an alphabet

<list of VLANs>: Comma separated VLANs or a range of VLANs or a single VLAN

```
Switch(config)#vlan group corporate vlan-list 4
```

```
Switch(config)#vlan group corporate vlan-list 40-50
```

```
Switch(config)#vlan group corporate vlan-list 12,52,75
```

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User and Machine/Device Authorization

802.1X & Dynamic VLANs

Deployment Considerations

VLAN Proliferation

- Every access switch must support every assignable VLAN
- In multi-layer deployments, all these VLANs must be trunked to distribution layer.
- Every new VLAN will require a new subnet on every access switch (routed access & multi-layer*)

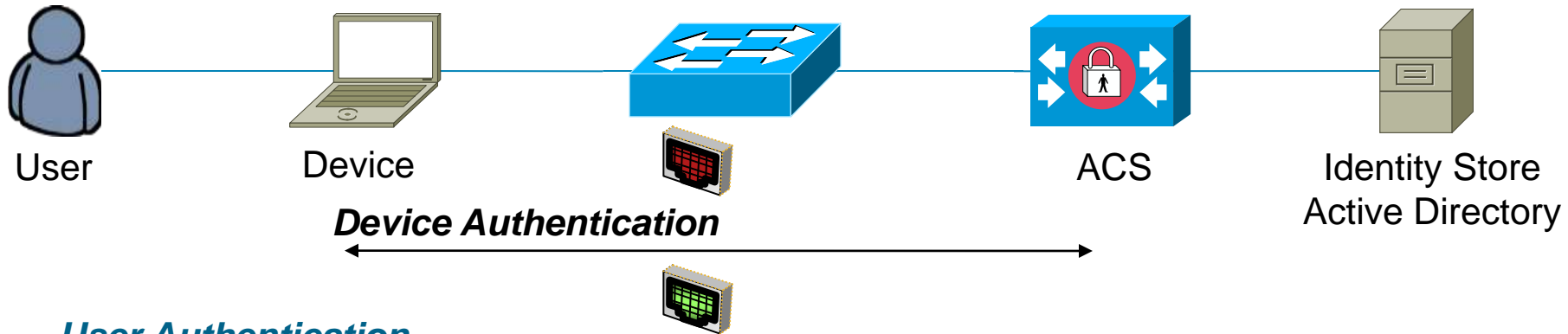
Address Changes

- Devices that change VLANs as a result of authentication **MUST** be capable of getting a new address on the new VLAN.
- Most supplicants **CAN** get a new address
- Most clientless devices **CANNOT**
- Even successful address changes can cause problems with end host functionality.

*VSS removes this requirement

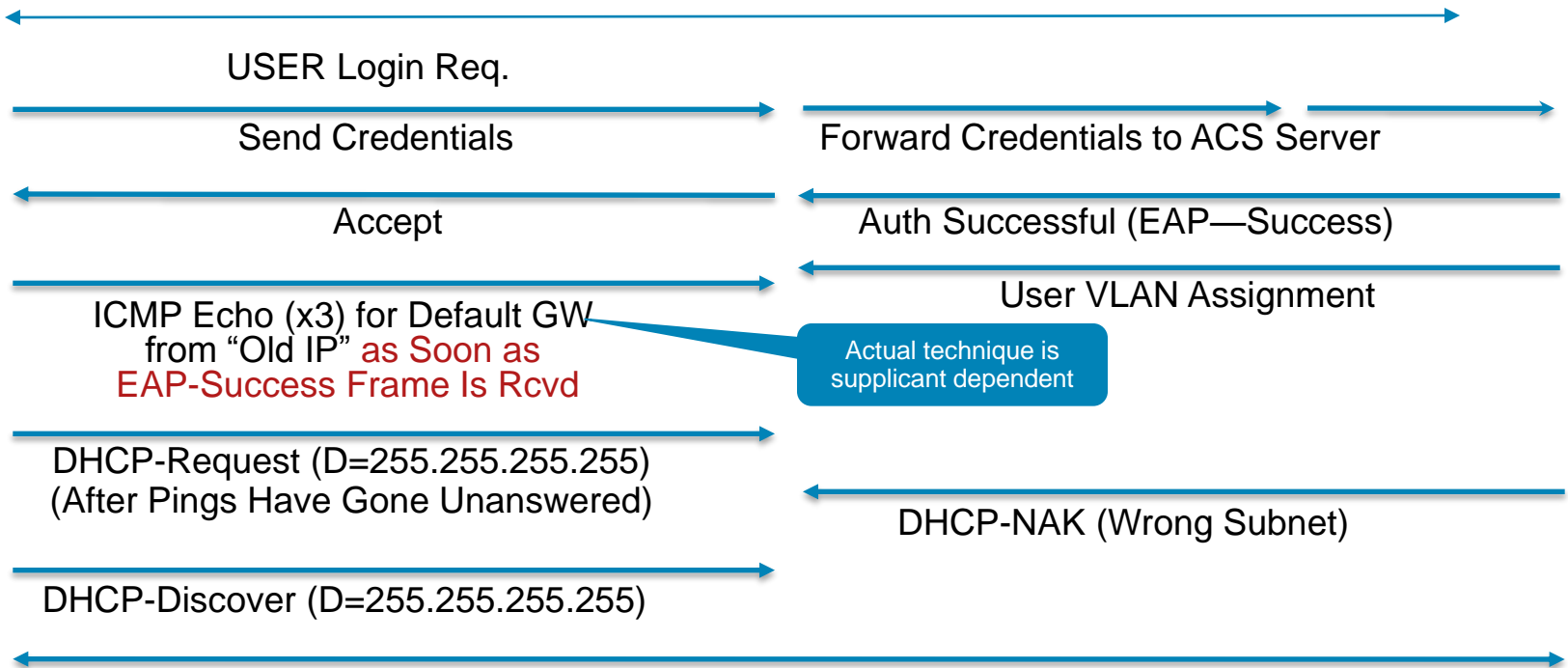
Coping with VLAN Change

DHCP Renewal - Microsoft Windows Example



Device Authentication

User Authentication



At This Point, DHCP Proceeds Normally

VLAN Changes Can Disrupt Desktop Operation

- In Legacy (pre-Vista) Microsoft environments, changing the VLAN can break user and/or machine GPOs.
- Windows XP cannot re-negotiate secure connection with AD if IP address changes during GPO download.

What's a GPO? And why should I care about breaking it?



A Group Policy Object (GPO) is used to deliver and apply configurations or policy settings to a set of targeted users and computer within an Active Directory environment. Windows Admins use GPOs for system compliancy and security enforcement , e.g.:

Network Device mapping

Applying Logon / Logoff scripts to workstations

Batch mechanism to trigger applications

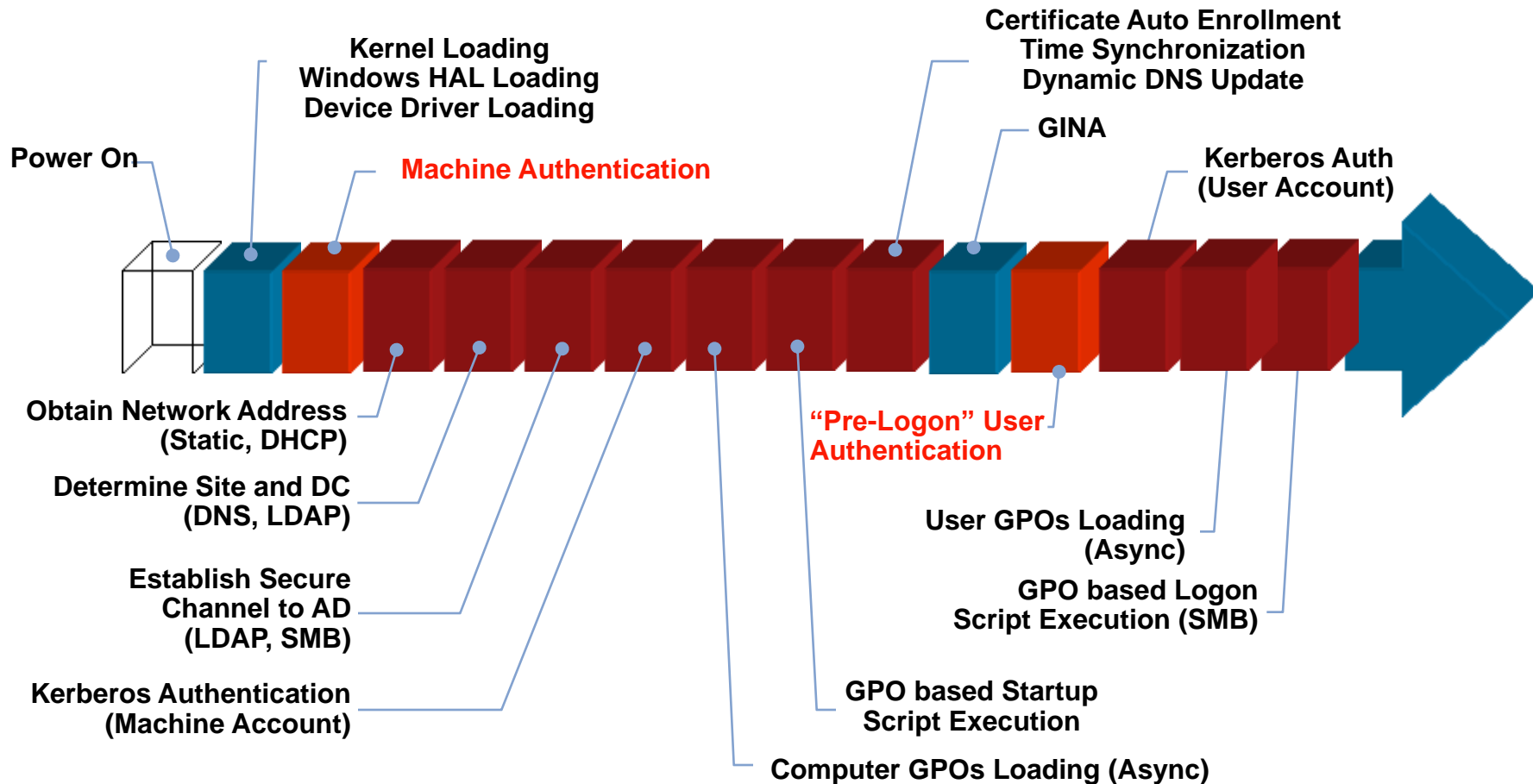
Security compliance enforcement such as password rule, etc.

Breaking GPOs is a RPE
(Resume Producing Event)



“Ideal” Microsoft Boot Process

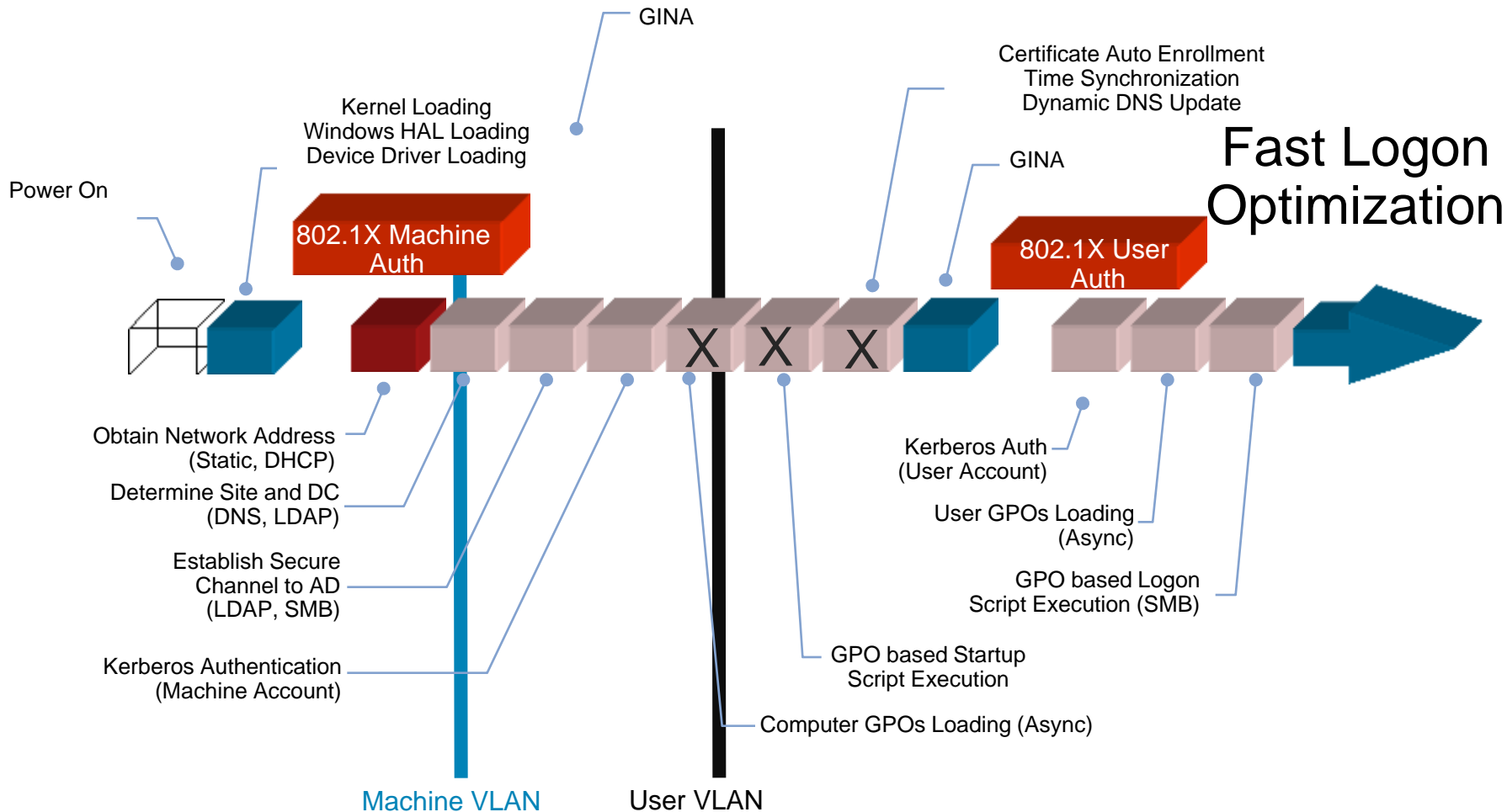
If Only It Were This Easy



Components that depend on network connectivity

Real Boot Process With Fast Logon

Machine GPOs will Break with XP



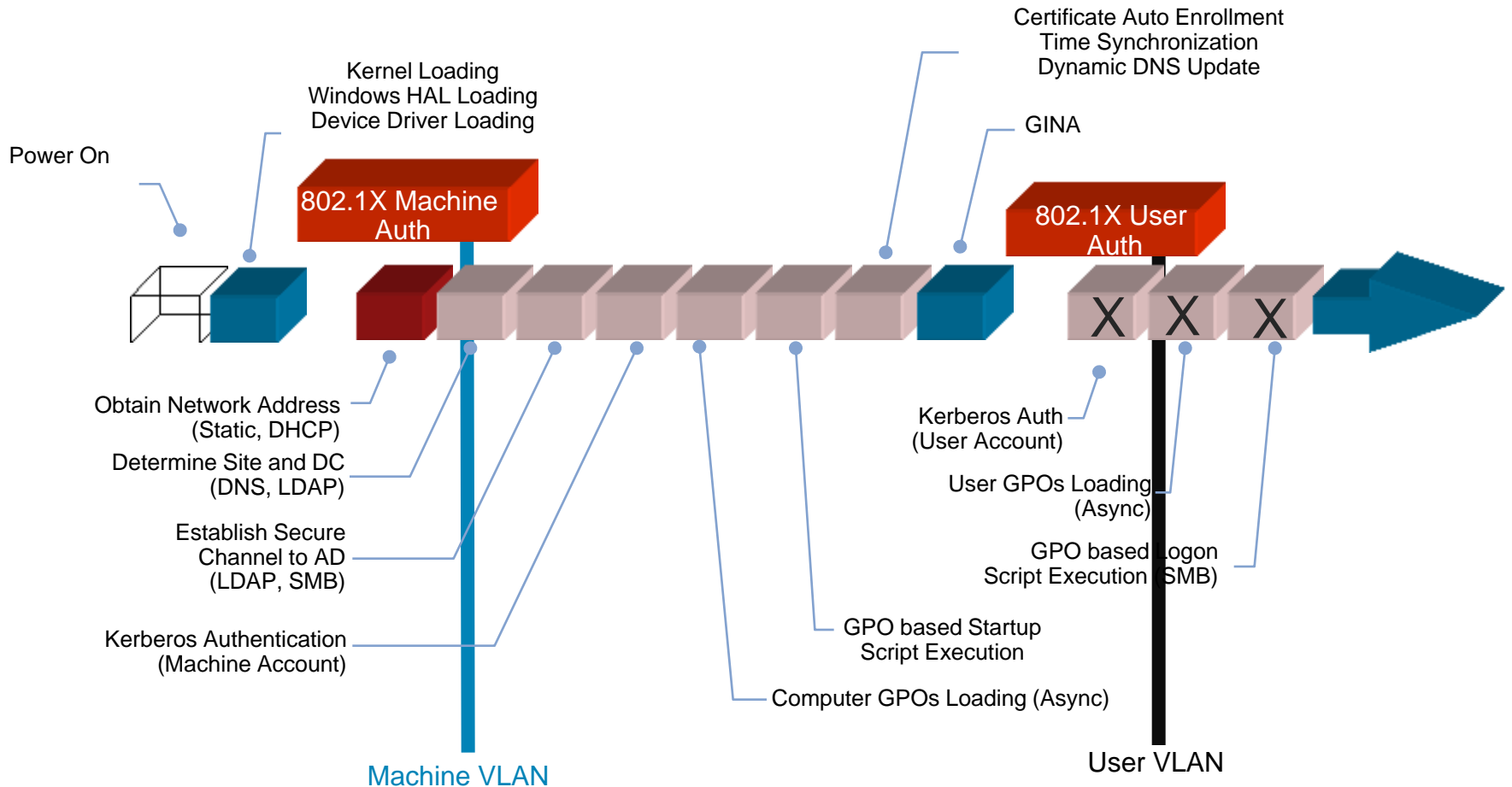
Start of 802.1X auth may vary among supplicants



Components that are in race condition with 802.1X Auth

Real Boot Process With Race Conditions

User GPOs can Break with XP



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Dynamic VLAN Assignment Best Practices

Vista SP2 or Windows 7:

- No Restrictions on VLAN assignment
- Vista and Win7 Can Renegotiate Secure Connection with AD when IP Address Changes

XP and earlier:

- Use Only Machine Authentication OR...
- Use the Same VLAN for User and Machine Authentication

Reconsider ACLs if you don't need segmentation.

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DEMO Time

Machine VLAN

ACS: using AD groups for Authorization Rules

High Security: Unknown Devices

Flex-Auth for Unknown Devices

Agentless Devices in High Security Mode

Configurable behavior after 802.1X timeout :

- 1) Next-Method
- 2) Guest VLAN

Configurable behavior after 802.1X failure:

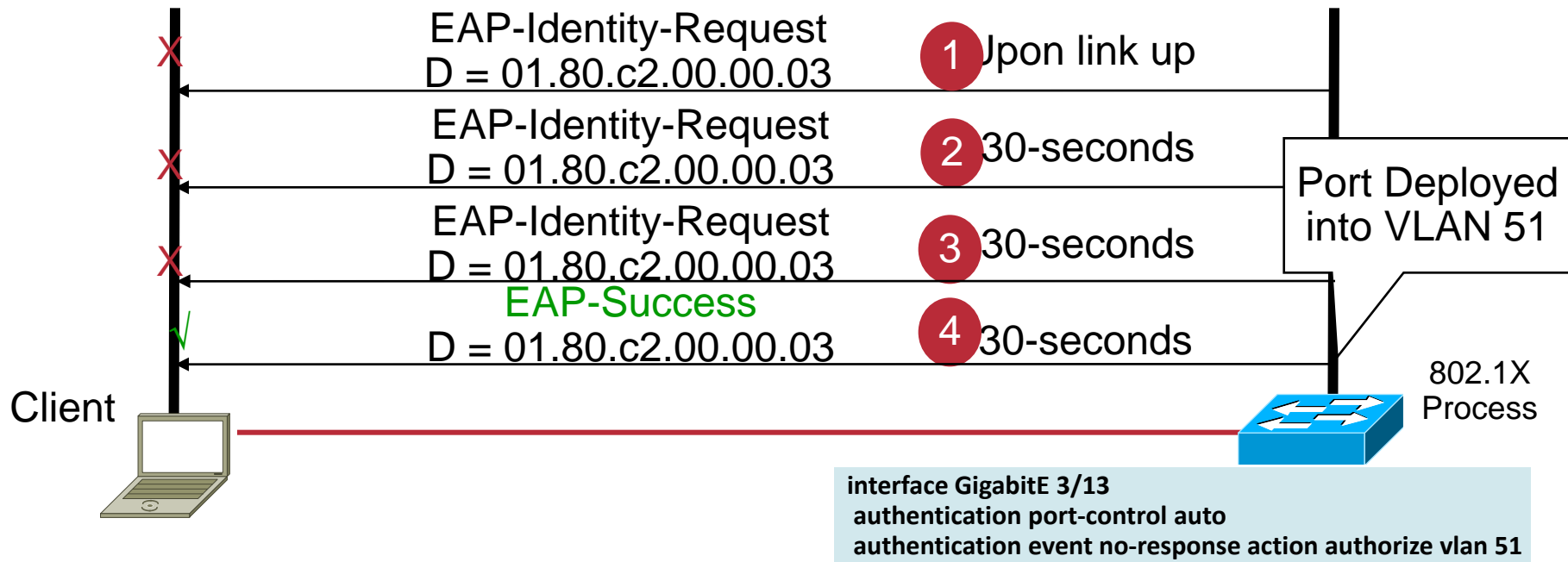
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Configurable order and priority of authentication methods

Configurable behavior before & after AAA server dies

Non-802.1X Client

Guest VLAN



- Any 802.1X-enabled switchport will send EAPOL-Identity-Request frames on the wire (whether a supplicant is there or not)
- A device is only deployed into the guest VLAN based on the lack of response to the switch's EAP-Request-Identity frames (which can be thought of as 802.1X hellos)
- No further security or authentication to be applied. **It's as if the administrator de-configured 802.1X, and hard-set the port into the specified VLAN**

802.1X with Guest VLAN

Deployment Considerations

When a port moves to Guest VLAN, any number of additional MACs are allowed on the port without authenticating

Guest VLAN is a switch-local authorization -> centralized policy on AAA server is not enforced

Guest VLAN does not differentiate, e.g. guest users get the same access as a corporate printer

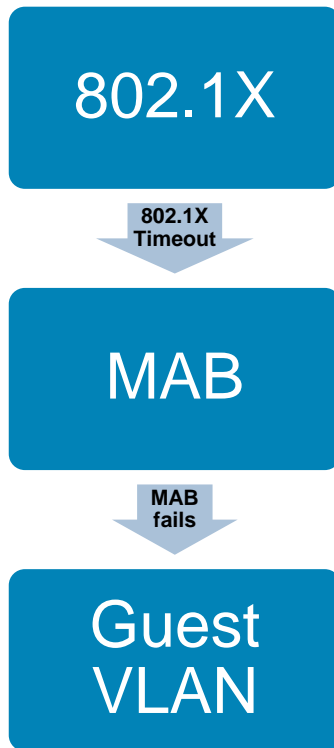
Guest VLAN can be fallback after 802.1X timeout and MAB fail

802.1X timeout dependency -> delayed network access.

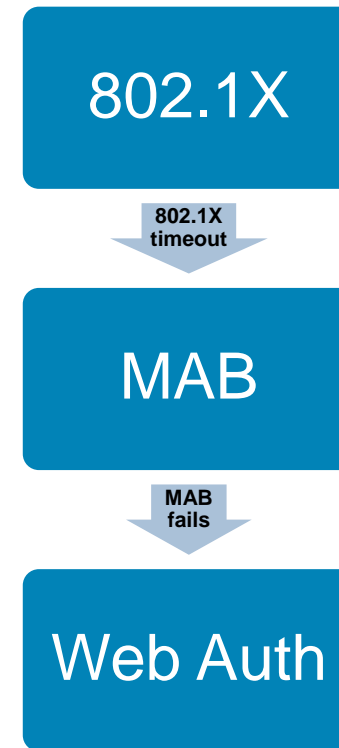
- Default timeout is 30 seconds with three retries (90 seconds total)
- 90 seconds > DHCP timeout.



Guest VLAN and Web Auth Are Mutually Exclusive



```
interface GigabitE 3/13
authentication port-control auto
dot1x pae authenticator
mab
authentication event no-response action authorize vlan 40
```



```
interface GigabitE 3/13
authentication port-control auto
dot1x pae authenticator
mab
authentication fallback WEB-AUTH
```

Flex-Auth for Unknown Devices

Devices that Fail 802.1X in High Security Mode

Configurable behavior after 802.1X timeout :

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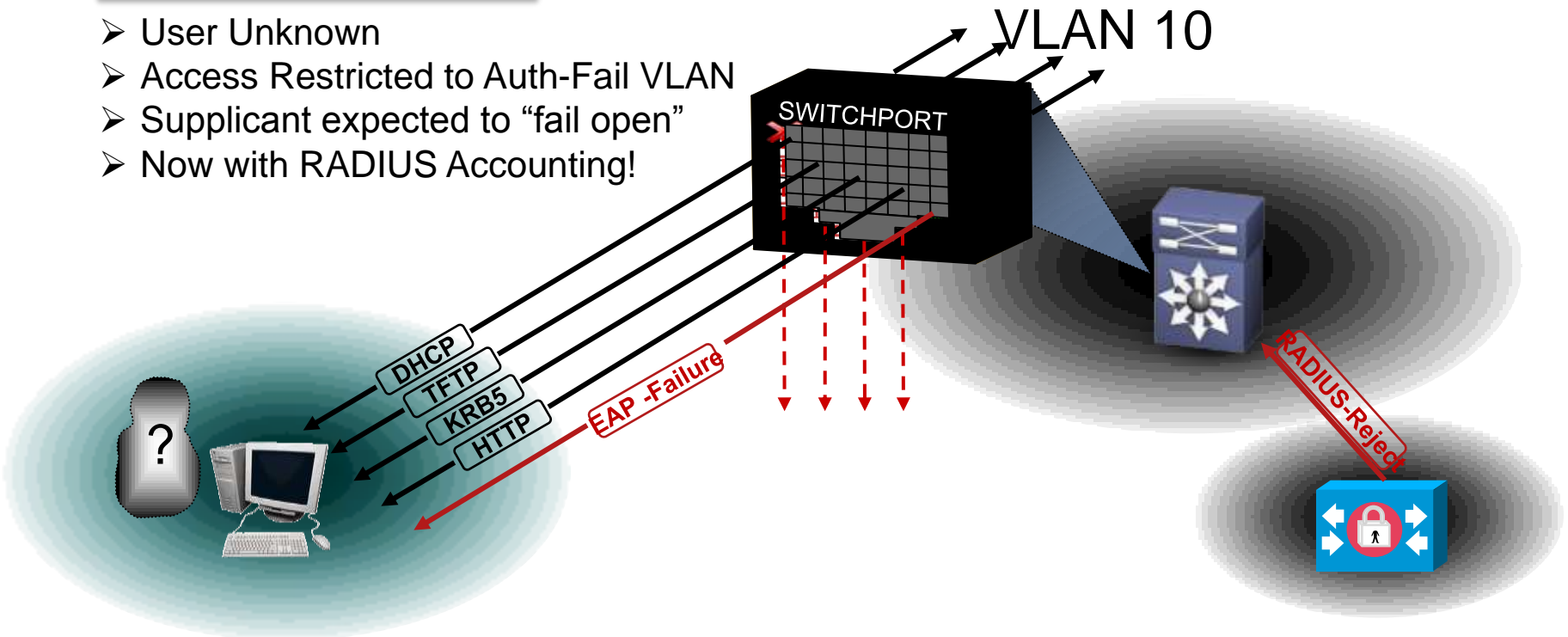
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Failed 802.1X

Auth-Fail VLAN Is An Alternative to Next-Method

After 802.1X Failure

- User Unknown
- Access Restricted to Auth-Fail VLAN
- Supplicant expected to “fail open”
- Now with RADIUS Accounting!



```
6506-2(config-if)#authentication event fail action authorize vlan 10
```

802.1X with Auth-Fail VLAN

Deployment Considerations

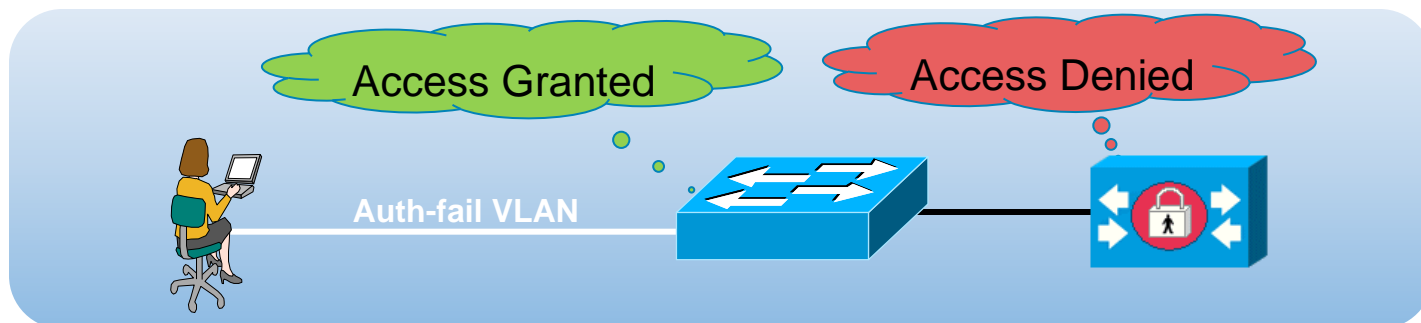
Supplicant cannot exit the Auth-Fail VLAN

- Only alternatives: switch-initiated re-authentication or port bounce

No Secondary Authentication Mechanism.

Auth-Fail VLAN, like Guest VLAN, is a switch-local authorization -
> centralized policy on AAA server is not enforced

Switch and AAA server have conflicting views of network
(mitigated by new RADIUS accounting)



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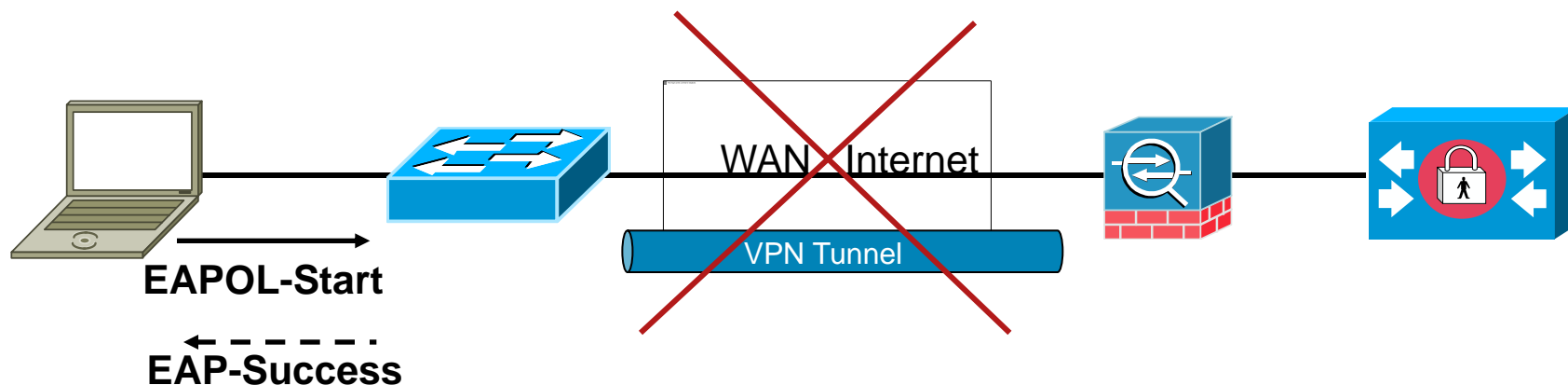
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Configurable behavior before & after AAA server dies: Critical VLAN

Inaccessible Authentication Bypass



- Switch detects AAA unavailable by one of two methods
 1. Periodic probe
 2. Failure to respond to AAA request
- Enables port in critical VLAN if defined, otherwise to switchport VLAN
- Existing sessions retain authorization status
- Applies to data devices only
- Recovery action can re-initialize port when AAA returns

RADIUS Server(s) Inaccessible

```
radius-server 10.1.10.50 test username KeepAliveUser key cisco
radius-server dead-criteria time 15 tries 3
radius-server deadtime 1
```

```
interface GigabitEthernet1/13
description Dot1x Demo with Auth-Fail VLAN
switchport access vlan 2
switchport mode access
switchport voice vlan 200
authentication event fail action next-method
```

```
authentication event server dead action authorize vlan 100
authentication event server alive action reinitialize
```

```
authentication order dot1x mab
dot1x pae authenticator
authentication port-control auto
dot1x timeout tx-period 10
dot1x max-req 2
mab
spanning-tree portfast
```

Critical VLAN can be anything:

- Static VLAN
- Same as guest/auth-fail VLAN
- New VLAN

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Mobility, Agility and Security

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Wired 802.1X Network Access control

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 - The University earmarks close to \$460 million for basic and applied research each year, making it Canada's second most active university in the field.



A Network for the Future

- Network architecture project started in 2007
 - Objective: Become one of the best University Campus network
- Switching
 - Backbone upgrade to 10 Gb/s, MPLS in the Core
 - VSS for core redundancy and replace spanning-tree
 - Catalyst 6500E for Core and Distribution
 - Catalyst 4500E for 1 Gb/s network Access
- IP Telephony
 - 9000 IP Phones
 - Call manager v7, 2 Unity, 3 IPCC, 5 SRST
- Wifi
 - 2500 Access Points 802.11n
- Security
 - 802.1X authentication for all wired ports and wifi access



As we speak

- Switching – routing infrastructure
 - 80% completed
- IP Telephony
 - 80% completed
- Wifi
 - 60% completed
- Security
 - More than a thousand 802.1X-enabled wired ports
 - 25000 ports planned



Network security

An internal audit performed in 2005 demonstrated the University network access did not comply with security best practices.

- Private and distinct network from the Internet
 - 132.204.x.x -> 10.x.x.x
- Access control and secured (authentication)
 - 802.1X for each wired network port
- Network segmentation based on user role (Community).
 - Employee, Student and guest
 - Infrastructure community



Community segmentation

User community:

- Based on user role
- Assign from top security level.

Workstations	Security needs	Risk
Employees	Consult and manage confidential information	Lower risk for managed workstation (SCCM, Anti-virus, GPO)
Students	Basic + school work	High due to unmanaged workstation
Guest	Basic	Very High -- unknown workstation



Community segmentation

Isolating the communities

- Needs to reinforce new services for collaboration between different user communities
 - File sharing
 - Printing
 - Better use of central ressources



Univ de Montréal 802.1X deployment

- Use of centralized and unique AD accounts through Cisco ACS Radius servers
- Used of OS native « Supplicant » whenever possible. XP, Win7 and MAC
 - Credentials: AD Password
 - EAP Method: PEAP-MSCHAPv2
- A university managed workstation (registered on the AD domain) must do both Machine & User authentication. All others do only User auth.

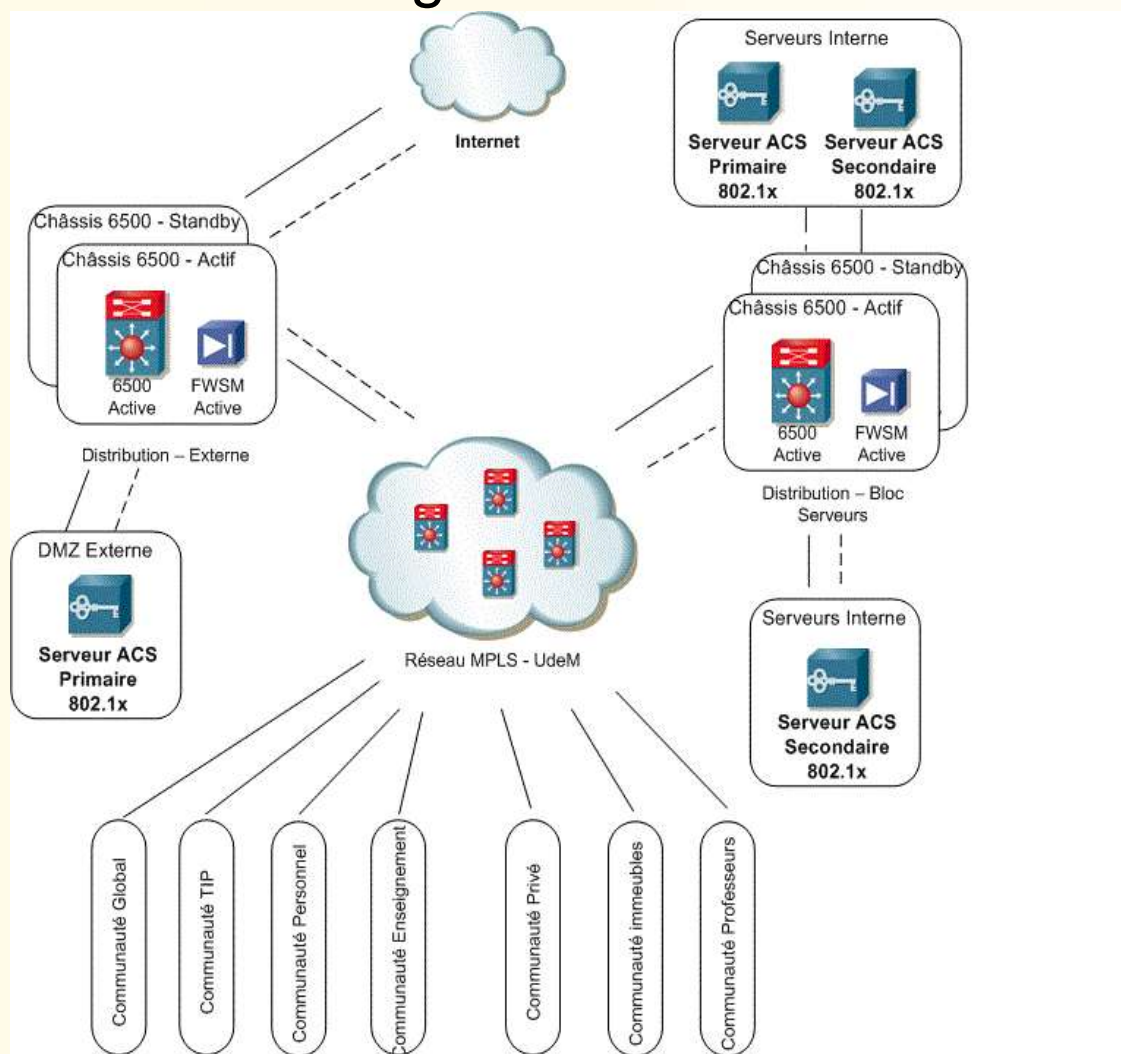


Univ de Montréal 802.1X deployment (cont)

- Faculty Staff, students and guests are invited (and encouraged) to use 802.1X configuration with a supplicant
- Exceptions
 - IP Phones are not 802.1X aware (except G series) so CDP is used to bypass 802.1X
 - Web Auth is used for the first time user and for workstations not supporting supplicant
 - MAB (Mac Authentication Bypass) For device not supporting supplicant with no possibility to do Webauth (Printer, surveillance cameras, etc.)
 - Critical Auth VLAN



Dynamic VLAN assignment





Dynamic VLAN assignment

- How many VLANs are used?
 - One VRF for each “community”
- How do you managed VLAN assignment for users vs. machines ?
 - 1 VLAN per community per switch
 - Machines do not get a “community” Vlan. They land in a pre-auth VLAN



Environment Diversity snapshot

1. Remote access

- Remote access (RDP)
- Remote access Mac/Apple
- Net Support School

2. Licenses servers

- Windows 7
- Adobe, Sequencher, FileMaker, MatLab and others

3. Startup services

- NetBoot (Mac/Apple)

4. Linux

- SSH, LDAP, Kerberos, NIS, NFS / Samba, Rdist, rsync, scp, puppet

5. Other cold imaging, backup and recovery software

- GHOST
- RedHat Network / YUM, Yellowdog Updater Modifier
- SCCM2007 (System Center Configuration Manager)



Challenge and solutions

- « GHOSTing machines »
 - Use of MAB to configure GHOST environment
- Remote Desktop Windows
 - Must leave the desktop “logged in” and locked



Challenge and solutions (cont)

- WebAuth on Catalyst 4500
 - « Authentication timeout », this issue produced a forced re-auth after 30 min. Users would loose their session everytime. Could not configure this through normal timeout control. This was escalated to Cisco.
 - Early Fix was supplied to correct this. Waiting for the next IOS release 12.2.53 SG3 for full permanent integration.
 - Webauth portal login page unable to display any custom images or logo.
 - Webauth portal login page cannot redirect the user to any other pages or Web site



Challenge and solutions (cont)

- « Apple Net Boot »
 - Very limited fonctionnality in a routed environment
 - Challenge implementing 802.1X config
 - Support for scripting is only available from 10.6.2 OS



Lessons Learned

- A few advises for proper deployment:
 - Problems are not so much in the 802.1X protocol but more in the operational aspect of the deployment.
 - Careful definition and identification of the users needs is mandatory.
 - Cisco doesn't supply tools to integrate 802.1X in an heterogeneous environment like a university campus.
- Monitoring and troubleshooting
- At deployment time, prepare to cope with a flow of help-desk calls
 - Plan in building your own processes and tools.



Questions

Advanced Features

NEAT

NEAT

Problem Statement & Drivers

- Customers requirement is to have (network) device based access control for tighter security
- Compact switches like Cisco Catalyst 8-port 3560 or 2960 will be deployed in an unsecured area such as cubicles, conference rooms, etc.
 - outside the secured wiring closet
- These network devices can potentially be swapped with hacker devices to gain network access, compromising the network security

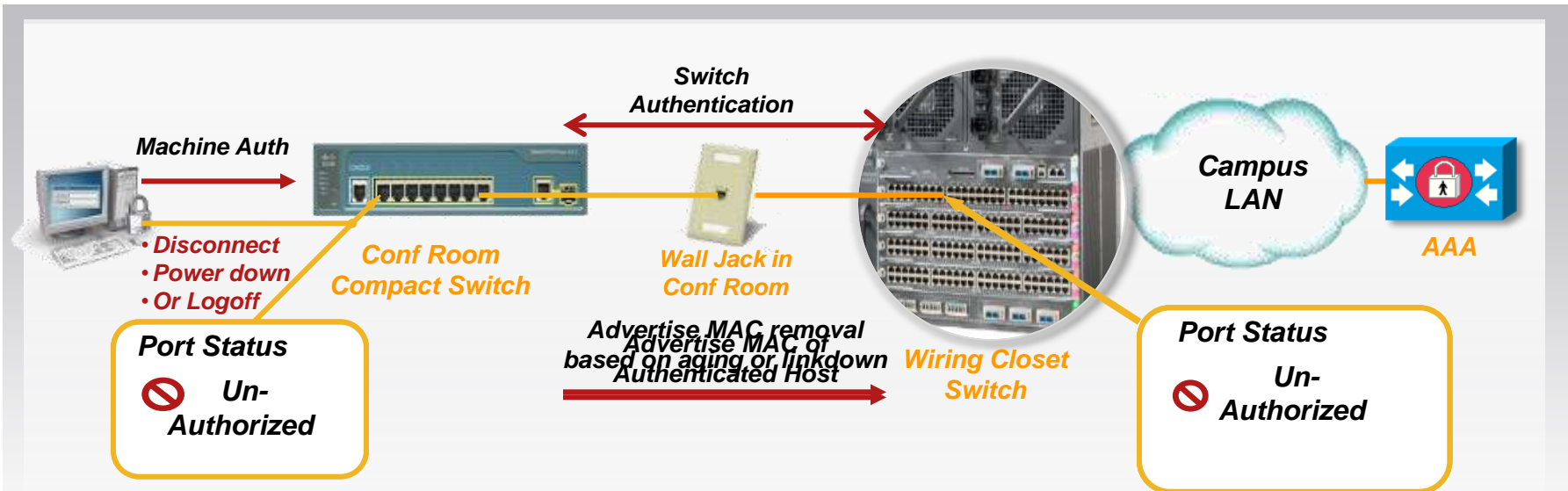


Result

Customers want **network device authentication** to **mitigate** these types of **security threats**

Network Edge Authentication Topology

Network Edge Trust Extension



- Extend Trust into physically unsecured locations (*e.g., conference room, cubical, etc.*)
- Secure access control for shared media access

Advanced Features CoA

RADIUS Change of Authorization (CoA)

RFC 3576: Defines “Packet of Disconnect”

- Terminates session

Cisco has extended support for CoA

- Terminate session
- Re-authenticate
- Port bounce
- Port down

Each type of Action has specific use case support

CoA – Use Cases

Failed Authentication with Failed Auth VLAN

- CoA can reauth or terminate a session can retrigger authentication to try authentication after remediation

Adding new mac addresses to the network

- After Profiling or other change order an agentless devices may need it's IP changed
- CoA with Port Bounce can be used to reset the IP stack on an agentless device

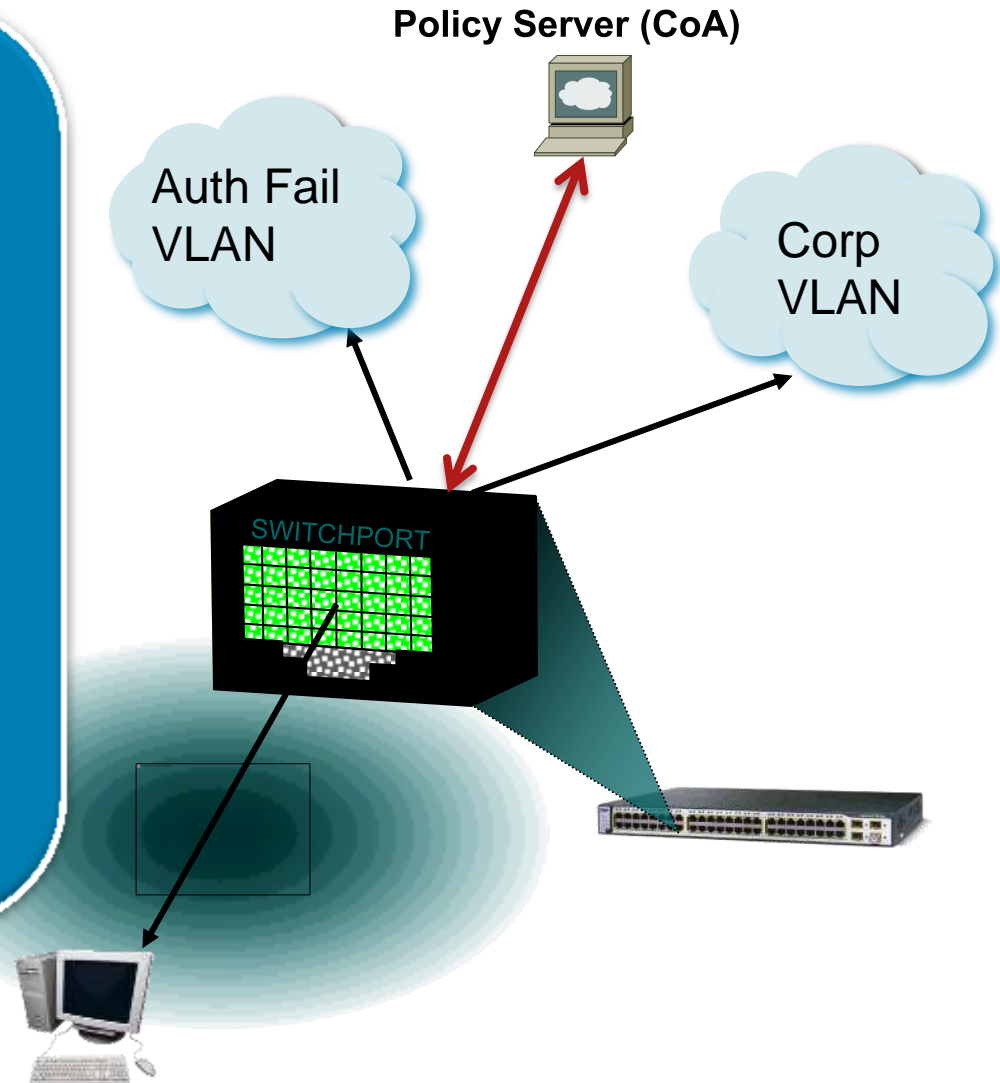
Abnormal/Destructive behavior is observed on the network

- CoA with Port Down is a emergency shut off of a port. It can only be re-enabled by CLI

RADIUS Change of Authorization (CoA)

Dynamic session control from a Policy server

- Re-authenticate session
- Terminate session
- Terminate session with port bounce
- Disable host port
- Session Query
 - For Active Services
 - For Complete Identity
 - Service Specific
- Service Activate
- Service De-activate
- Service Query

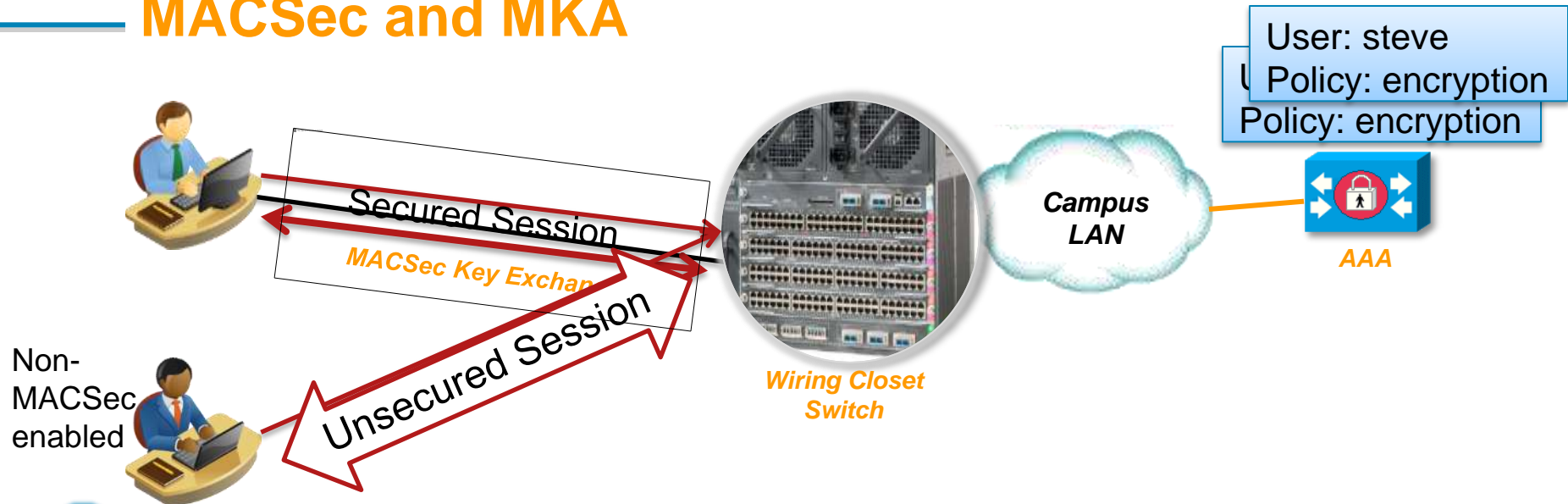


Advanced Features

802.1X Rev

Identity 4.1 Feature: 802.1X-Rev

MACSec and MKA



- 1 User bob connects
- 2 Bob's policy indicates end point must encrypt
- 3 Key exchange using MKA, 802.1AE encryption complete
User is placed in Corp VLAN
Session is secured
- 4 User steve connects
- 5 Steve's policy indicates end point must encrypt
- 6 End point is not MACSec enabled
Assigned to Guest VLAN

802.1X-Rev Components

- MACSec enabled switches (Incredibles)
- AAA server 802.1X-Rev aware
- Supplicant supporting MKA and 802.1AE encryption

Advanced Features Monitoring & Troubleshooting

Monitoring and Troubleshooting

IOS Switches

SNMP, Syslog, CLI, Netflow

ACS Servers

Syslog



ACS 5.1 Monitoring & Troubleshooting

Monitoring

User Reporting

- Where, when, how connected
- How long, how often
- Last passed, last failed
- Switch Log Reporting

System Reporting

- Pass/Fail ratio

Device Reporting

- Profile History
- Status of profiled device

Troubleshooting

- Expert Troubleshooting Tool
- Troubleshooting Workflow
 - Authentication Failure
 - Authorization Failure
- Switch log failure analysis

Alerts

- Unknown NAS
- New ACS, new NAD
- External DB unavailable
- Failed Auths thresholds
- Passed auths thresholds
- AAA down

ACS 5.1 Uses Multiple Sources of Information For Monitoring/Troubleshooting

Sources

- RADIUS logs
- Syslog from ACS(s)
- Syslog from Switches
- CLI
- SNMP

ACS 5.1 Tools

- Authentication Reports
- Session Directory
- Configuration Validator
- Network Device & Session Details
- Expert Troubleshooter

Configuration Validator

Cisco Secure ACS View acsadmin ac

Monitoring and Reports > Troubleshooting > Expert Troubleshooter

Troubleshooting tools

Diagnostic tool	Description
RADIUS Authentication troubleshooting	Performs troubleshooting on a selected RADIUS authentication.
Execute Network Device Command	Executes a 'show' command on a Network Device.
Evaluate Configuration Validator	Evaluates the configuration on a Network Device.

Evaluate Configuration Validator

Network Device IP: [Clear](#)

Select the configuration items below that you want to compare against the recommended template.

AAA: ☒

RADIUS: ☒

Device Discovery: ☐

Logging: ☐

Web Authentication: ☐

Profiler Configuration: ☐

CTS: ☐

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Open Mode: ☐

Low Impact Mode (Open Mode + ACL): ☒

High Security Mode (Closed Mode): ☐

Run

Troubleshooting Summary

- ✓ Running Configuration
- ✓ AAA Configuration (Global)
- ✗ **RADIUS Configuration (Global)**
- ✓ Device Discovery Configuration (Global)
- ✗ **Logging Configuration (Global)**
- ✗ **Interface FastEthernet0/2**

Details

802.1x Commands

	Mandatory	Expected	Configuration Found On Device
	✗	dot1x system-auth-control	dot1x system-auth-control
		switchport access vlan <VLAN ID>	switchport access vlan 320
	✗	switchport mode access	switchport mode access
		switchport voice vlan <VLAN ID>	switchport voice vlan 321
	✗	ip access-group <access-list name> in	ip access-group PreAuthAcl in
✗	✗	authentication event fail action next-method	Missing
	✗	authentication open	authentication open

On Demand SNMP Polling

MIB-II (RFC-1213-MIB)
INTERFACE-MIB
IEEE8021-PAE-MIB
CISCO-PAE-MIB
CISCO-AUTH-FRAMEWORK-MIB
CISCO-MAB-MIB

Network Device > Session Status Details

Network Device IP : 10.3.10.2

Network Device Interface: FastEthernet0/2

Generated on December 22, 2009 9:49:45 AM PST



Reload

Network Device Information

Name : CL10-aSW.demo.local

Location : in virtual heaven

Contact : Ken Hook khook@cisco.com

Description : Cisco IOS Software, C3560 Software (C3560-IPBASEK9-M)
Copyright (c) 1986-2009 by Cisco Systems, Inc.
Compiled Fri 25-Sep-09 08:13 by sasyamal

OS Image: Cisco IOS Software, C3560 Software (C3560-IPBASEK9-M)

OS Version : Version 12.2(52)SE, RELEASE SOFTWARE (fc3)

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Port Details

Interface : FastEthernet0/2

Link Status : up

Authentication Status : authorizationSuccess

Sessions : 0A030A020000007F18959085

Client Mac Addresses : 00:50:56:81:55:01

Data or Voice : data

Authentication Mode : open

Authentication Port Control : auto

Authentication Enabled : disabled

Authentication Order : dot1x mab webauth (default)

Authentication Priority : dot1x mab webauth (default)

Authentication Host Mode : multiDomain

Centralized View of Switch Syslogs

Network Device > Network Device Log Messages

Date: December 22, 2009

Generated on : December 22, 2009 10:59:05 AM PST

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Logged At	Device IP	Message	Type	RADIUS Audit Session ID
December 22, 2009 10:59:00.726 AM	10.3.10.2	Authorization succeeded for client (00-15-C6-96-E2-2C) on Interface Fa0/5	AUTHMGR-5-SUCCESS	0A030A020000008718C9AA60
December 22, 2009 10:58:59.406 AM	10.3.10.2	Authentication successful for client (00-15-C6-96-E2-2C) on Interface Fa0/5	DOT1X-5-SUCCESS	0A030A020000008718C9AA60
December 22, 2009 10:58:21.996 AM	10.3.10.2	Authorization failed for client (00-0C-29-E1-6C-2D) on Interface Fa0/3	AUTHMGR-5-FAIL	0A030A020000008B18F1089A
December 22, 2009 10:58:20.976 AM	10.3.10.2	Authentication successful for client (00-0C-29-E1-6C-2D) on Interface Fa0/3	DOT1X-5-SUCCESS	0A030A020000008B18F1089A

Authentication passed (credentials were good) but switch was unable to apply authorization instructions (e.g. bad VLAN assignment).

Expert Troubleshooter

- Research failures by troubleshooting workflows

Monitoring and Reports > Troubleshooting > Expert Troubleshooter > RADIUS Authentication Troubleshooter

Search and Select a RADIUS Authentication for troubleshooting.

Username: [Select](#) [Clear](#)

MAC Address: [Select](#) [Clear](#)

Audit Session ID: [Clear](#)

NAS IP: [Select](#) [Clear](#)

NAS Port: [Select](#) [Clear](#)

Authentication Status:

Failure Reason: [Select](#) [Clear](#)

Time Range:

Start Date-Time: (mm/dd/yyyy) hours

End Date-Time: (mm/dd/yyyy) hours

Fetch Number of Records:

[Search](#)

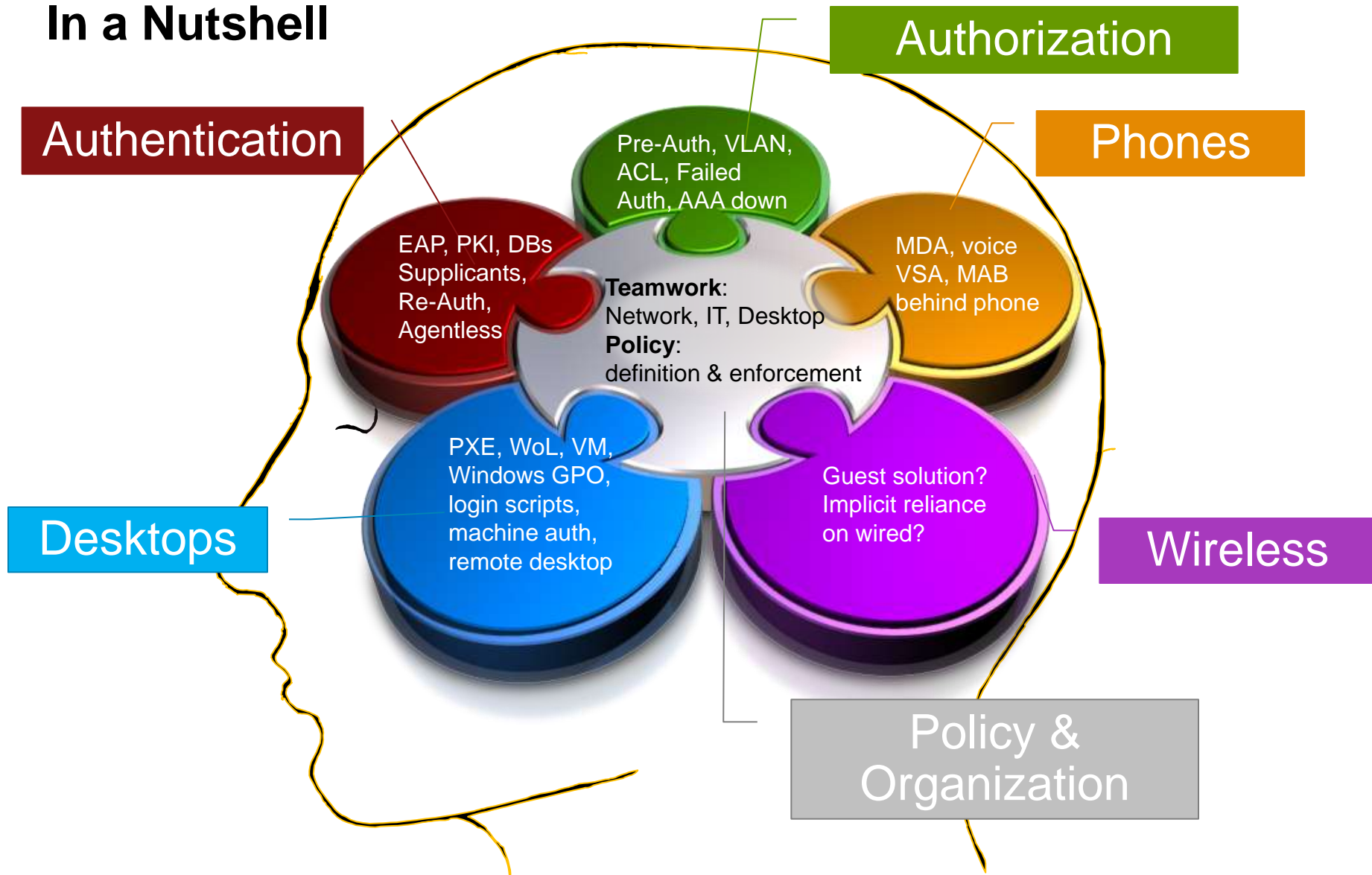
Search Result

	Time	Status	Username	MAC Address	Audit Session ID	Network Device IP	Failure Reason	Access Service
Troubleshoot								

Session Summary

Deployment Considerations

In a Nutshell



Summary

- 802.1X improves enterprise security
- 802.1X improves enterprise visibility
- 802.1X deployable now
 - New features have significantly simplified deployment
 - Deployment scenarios can be used as a starting point
- 802.1X is not only a network project, it affects the whole IT organization

