



# FIDO-enabling a web-application using Universal 2<sup>nd</sup> Factor (U2F)

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#### Introduction

- Founded in July 2001
- Silicon Valley-based, privately-held
- Open-source cryptographic solutions company
  - Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)
  - Symmetric Key Management System (SKMS)
  - Strong-Authentication
  - FIDO Alliance member with open-source fidos server
- Customers on 6 continents in:
  - Finance, Healthcare, e-Commerce, Medical Devices, Pharmaceutical, Entertainment, Manufacturing, ....





#### **Business Issues**

- Multiple authentication schemes
- Account Recovery
- FIDO Authenticator acquisition/support
- Which applications to FIDO-enable first?
- Protocol decision







# Multiple Auth. Schemes

- UserID/Password
- LDAP/AD
- Biometric
- OTP
- 2-Step Verification
- Smartcard
- ..... and now FIDO





### **Account Recovery**

- Forgotten/Lost/Stolen FIDO Authenticators
  - Policy
    - Internal vs. External customers
    - What security policy applies to them?
    - What applications <u>must</u> be accessible to them?
    - What is the intersection?
  - Recovery Process
    - Internal customers
    - External customers







### Authenticator Acquisition

- FIDO Certified™ or "Go your own way"
- Should you standardize on one?
- A small set?
- All?
- Who pays for the Token?
- Support for "unsupported" FIDO Certified™ Tokens
  - Users <u>are</u> going to end up with multiple Tokens sooner or later





# Which applications to enable first?

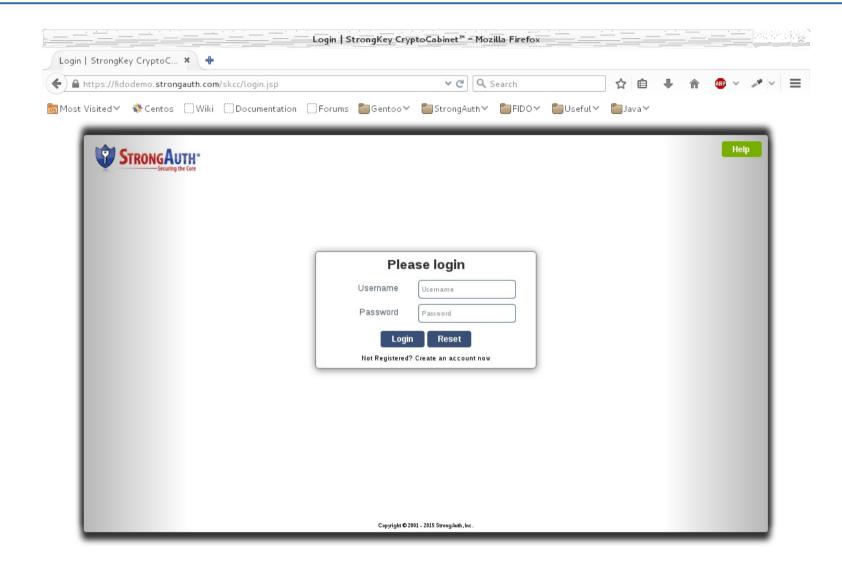
- Web-applications
  - Mission-critical vs. Nice-to-have
  - What authentication does it support currently?
  - Desired user experience?
    - FIDO with Password
    - FIDO with CAPTCHA (Password-less)
    - FIDO with Token Authentication (Password-less)
- Chrome 43 or greater
- Firefox







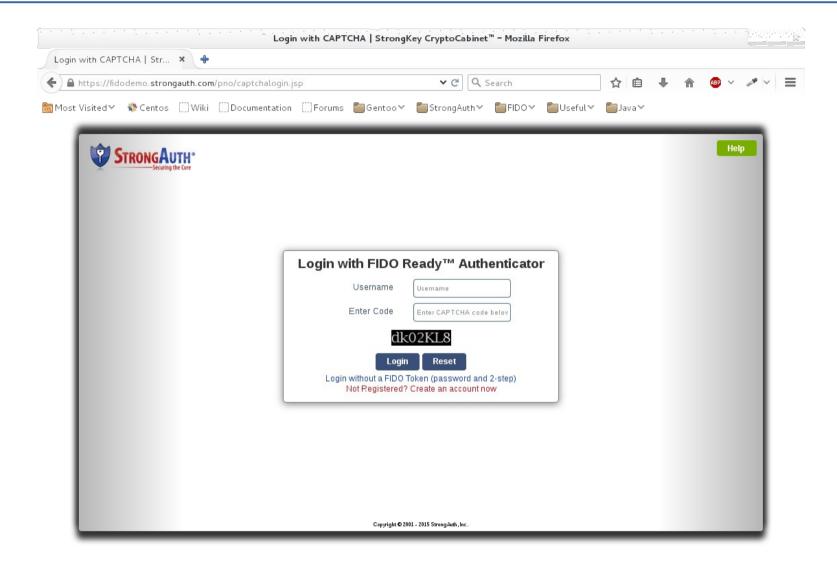
#### FIDO with Password







# FIDO + CAPTCHA (Password-less)

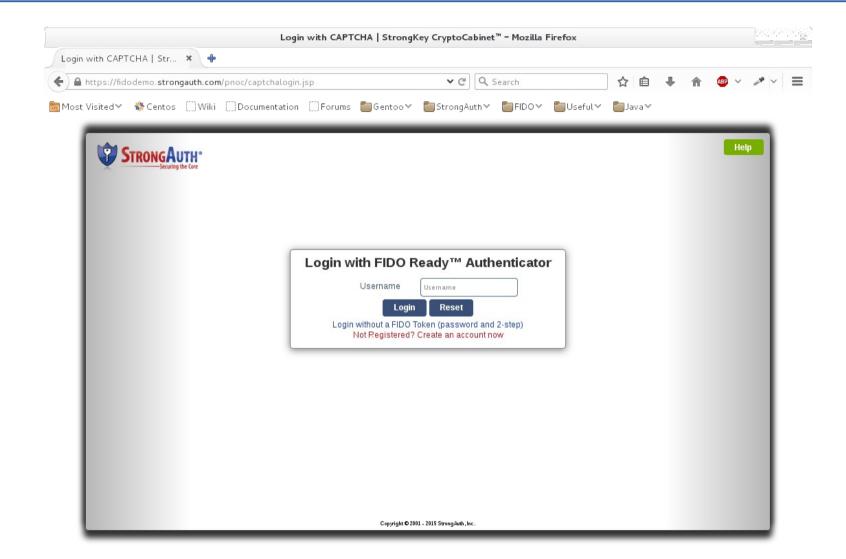








#### FIDO U2F Password-less







#### **Protocol Decision**

- Universal 2<sup>nd</sup> Factor (U2F)
- Universal Authentication Framework (UAF)
- FIDO 2.0





# Operational Issues

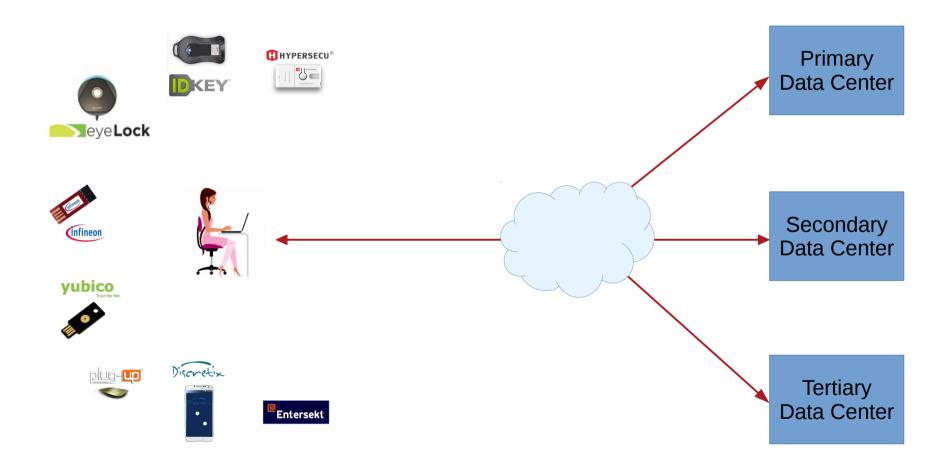
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- Scalability
- Security







# **Availability**

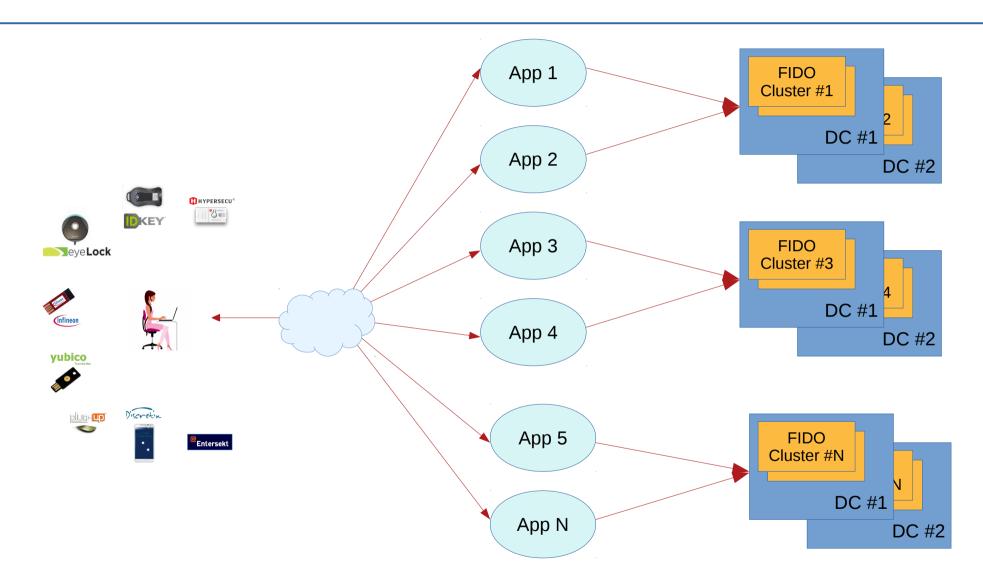








# Scalability - 1

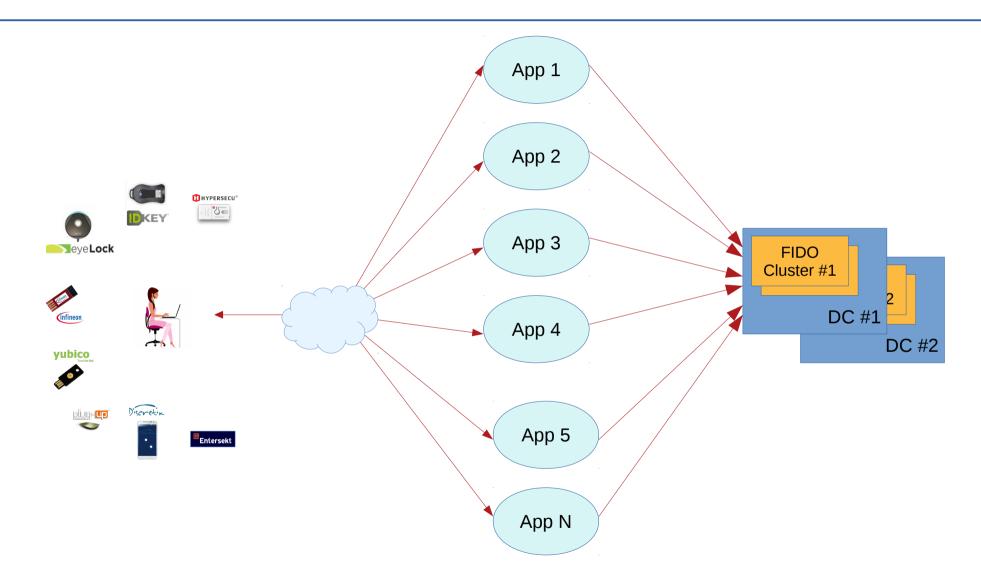








# Scalability - 2







#### Technical Issues

- Web-application framework
  - More than 90; Java (24), PHP (26), ...
- JavaScript
- Chrome dependency
- USB-port access







- What's the issue? Aren't FIDO protocols supposed to be secure?
  - Yes, but.....
- If KeyHandle includes a private-key, security of Key-Encrypting-Key matters
- Attestation Certificate' private-key protection always matters
- "Substitution of Keys" Attack







# Security - SuKs - 1

#### Jack





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1357	Jill	 CAFEBABE	ABCDEF





# Security – SuKs - 2

#### Jack





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#### **Enablement Process**

- Pick a web-application any application
- Pick an Account Recovery mechanism
- Pick a few FIDO U2F Authenticators
- Pick a FIDO U2F Server any server ;-)
- Get their FIDO-enablement Tutorial
- Modify the web-application
- Test, test, test,.....
- Plan for productionalization
- · That's all, folks!

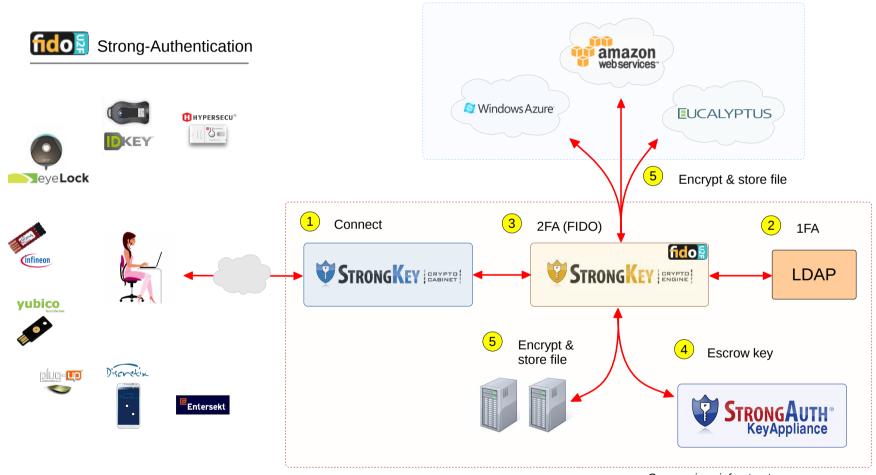


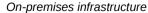




## Our Design

Note: Secure cloud-storage is a standard feature of CryptoEngine, and may be used to store encrypted documents in the cloud if desired. However, cryptographic keys are **never** stored in the cloud.











#### Questions?

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