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Problem Statement

- Context-setting diagram



Use Cases

1. User A goes to a wiki tool via an LMS front end. User B goes directly to the wiki tool: The first implies support for delegation on both the LMS front-end and the wiki tool. The latter implies a standard web browser SSO mechanism such as protecting the wiki with a Shibboleth SP
2. The reality of applications in the cloud dealing with multi-identity. (Chuck investigating an interface wrapper around the tool. Make it work with 2 models jvm java tool, or php tool with php hosting environment.
3. User goes to front end (e.g., portal) that requests data on user's behalf (server to server)
 - a. cf CAS delegated credential. CAS doesn't work in the federated environment

Solution Possibilities

1. User begins at an unprotected URL and at some point may click on a SAML-protected URL at which point they will be asked to authenticate (lazy session model?).

Other considerations

- Tool needs to understand Global Identity
 - Implies having a unique, persistent identifier for both the IdP and the user; may imply account linking such that a person can authenticate by more than one IdP and still be recognized as the same individual