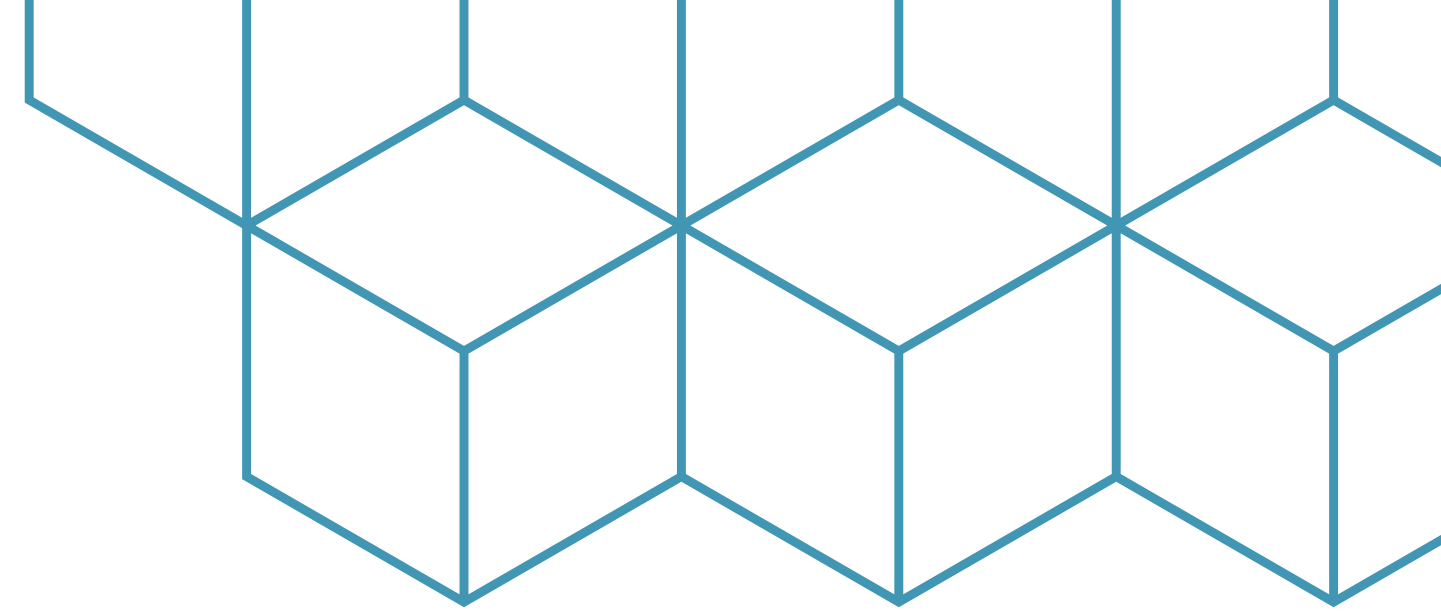




Introducing OAuth2 in Olog/Phoebus

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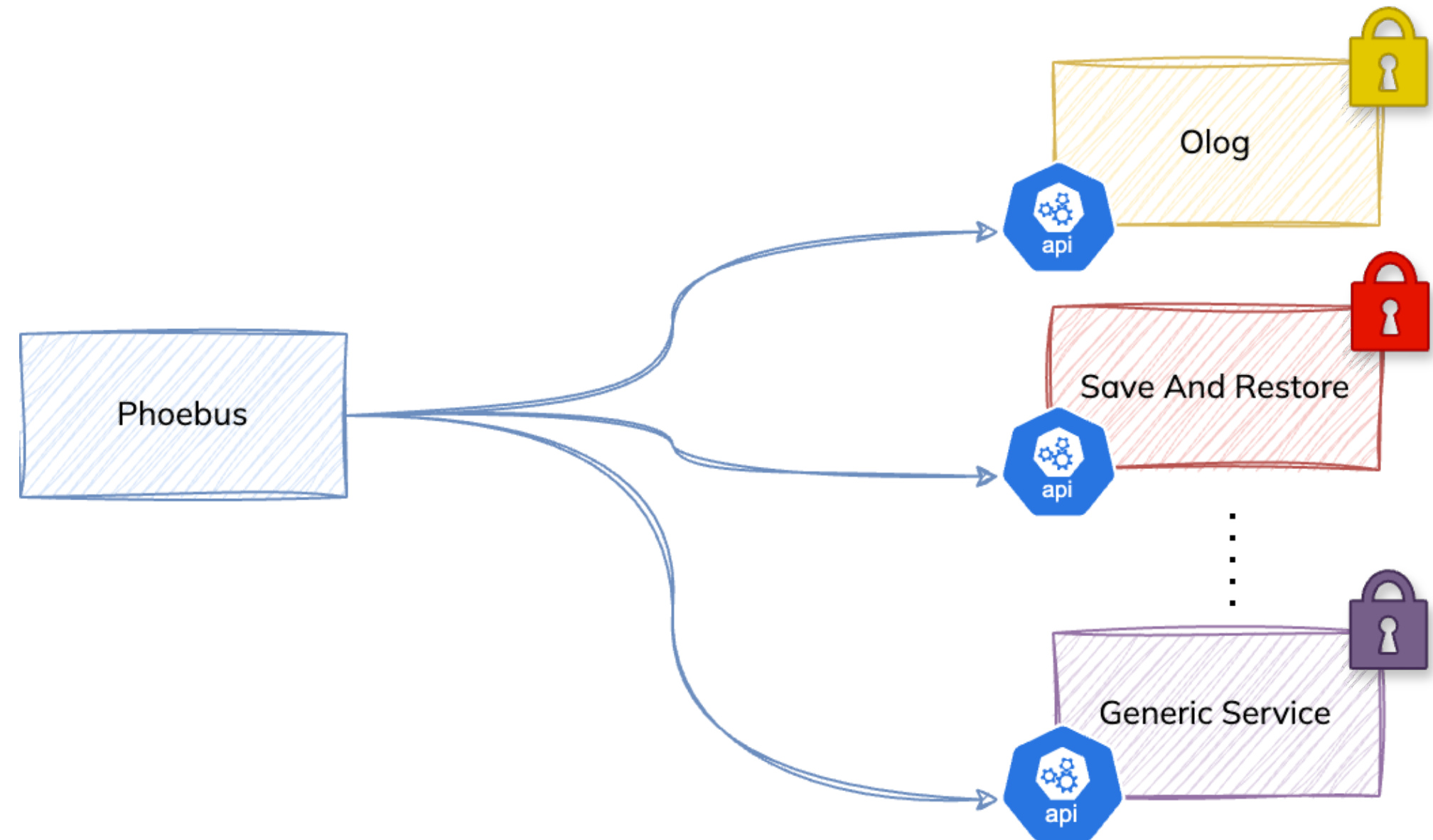
Phoebus Services Architecture

Different Services

Each service has its own API and authentication.

Authentication methods

Different services use different authentication and authorization protocols.





Problems

01

Handling flow

Need to implement the authentication/authorization flow separately for each service.

02

Credential Exposure

Each service must handle credential input.

03

Update authentication code

Maintaining different authentication mechanism is hard across multiple application

Solution

Use an auth protocol based on access delegation

One authentication/authorization flow for all services



Authorization

Authentication





What is OAuth2

01

Authorization Framework

Clients are authorized without sharing password data with services

02

Token-Based Access Control

Clients use a **time-limited access** token to request protected resources.

03

API Security

Provides API security through scoped access tokens



What is OpenID

01

Decentralized Authentication Protocol

allows users to authenticate with multiple websites and applications using a single identity provider (IdP)

02

Based on OAuth 2.0

Enabling authentication in addition to authorization. It provides user identity information in a secure and standardized way.

03

Single Sign-On

Allowing users to log in seamlessly across different platforms with providers like Google, Microsoft, and Keycloak.

Why need both?

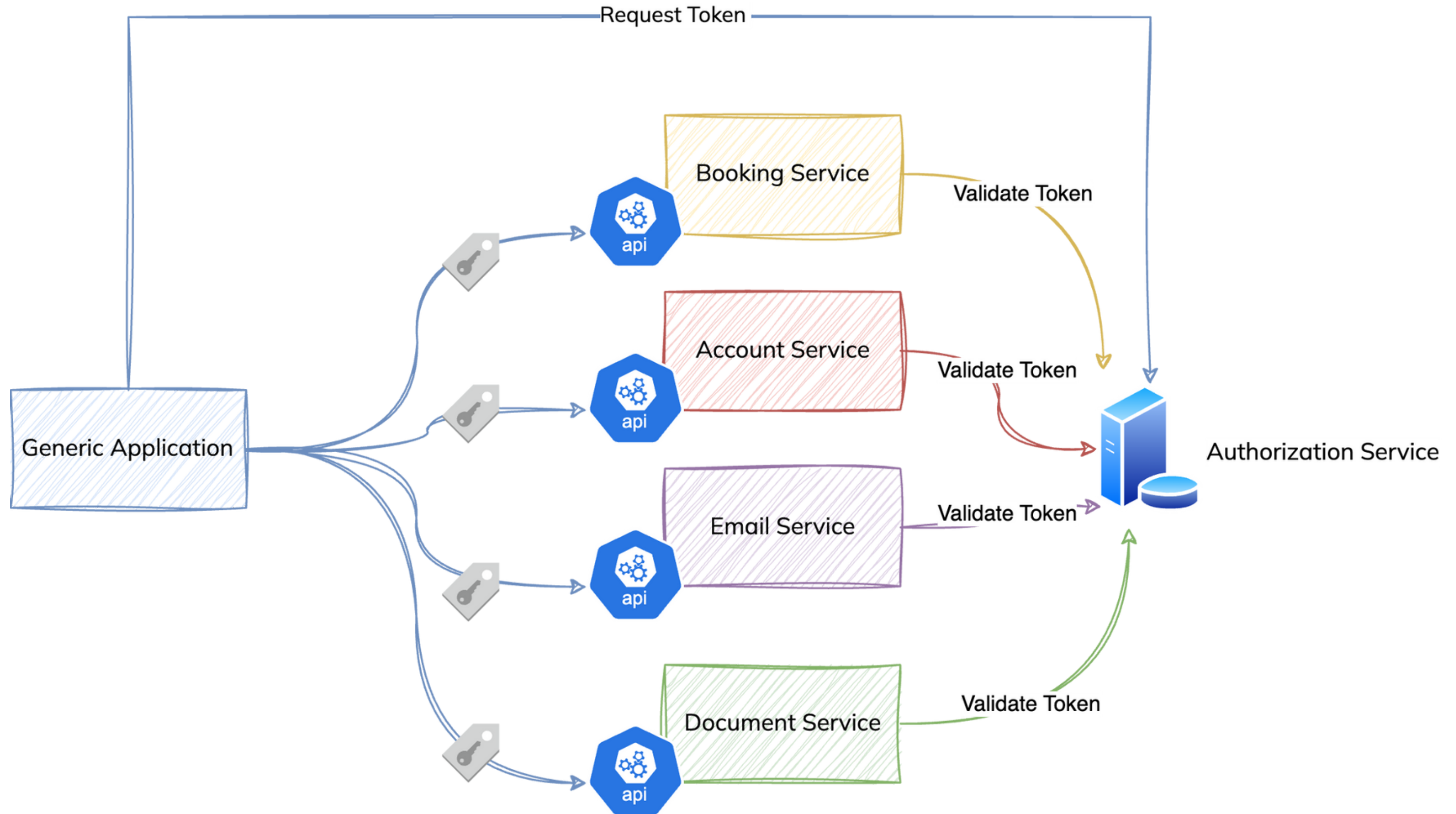
OAuth 2.0

Can the user access a resource?

OpenID Connect

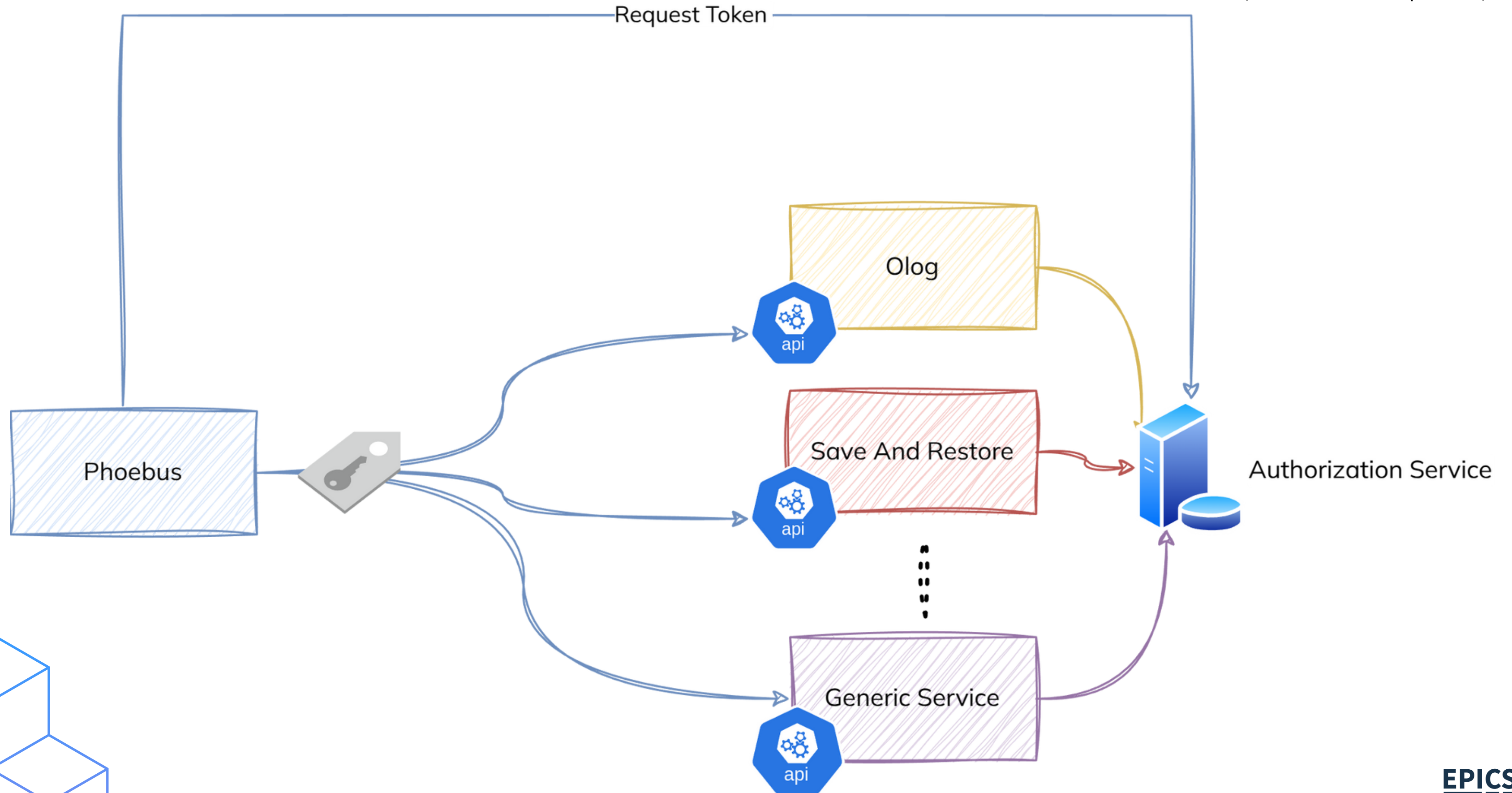
Who is the user accessing the resource?

INFN service architecture



Phoebus service architecture

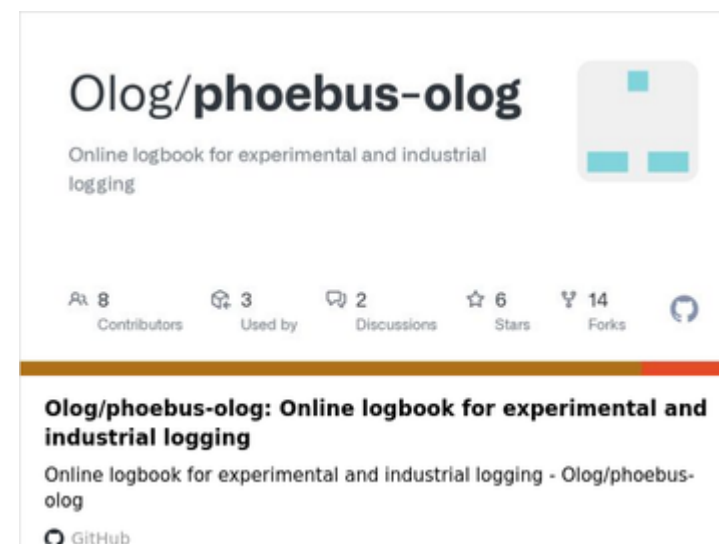
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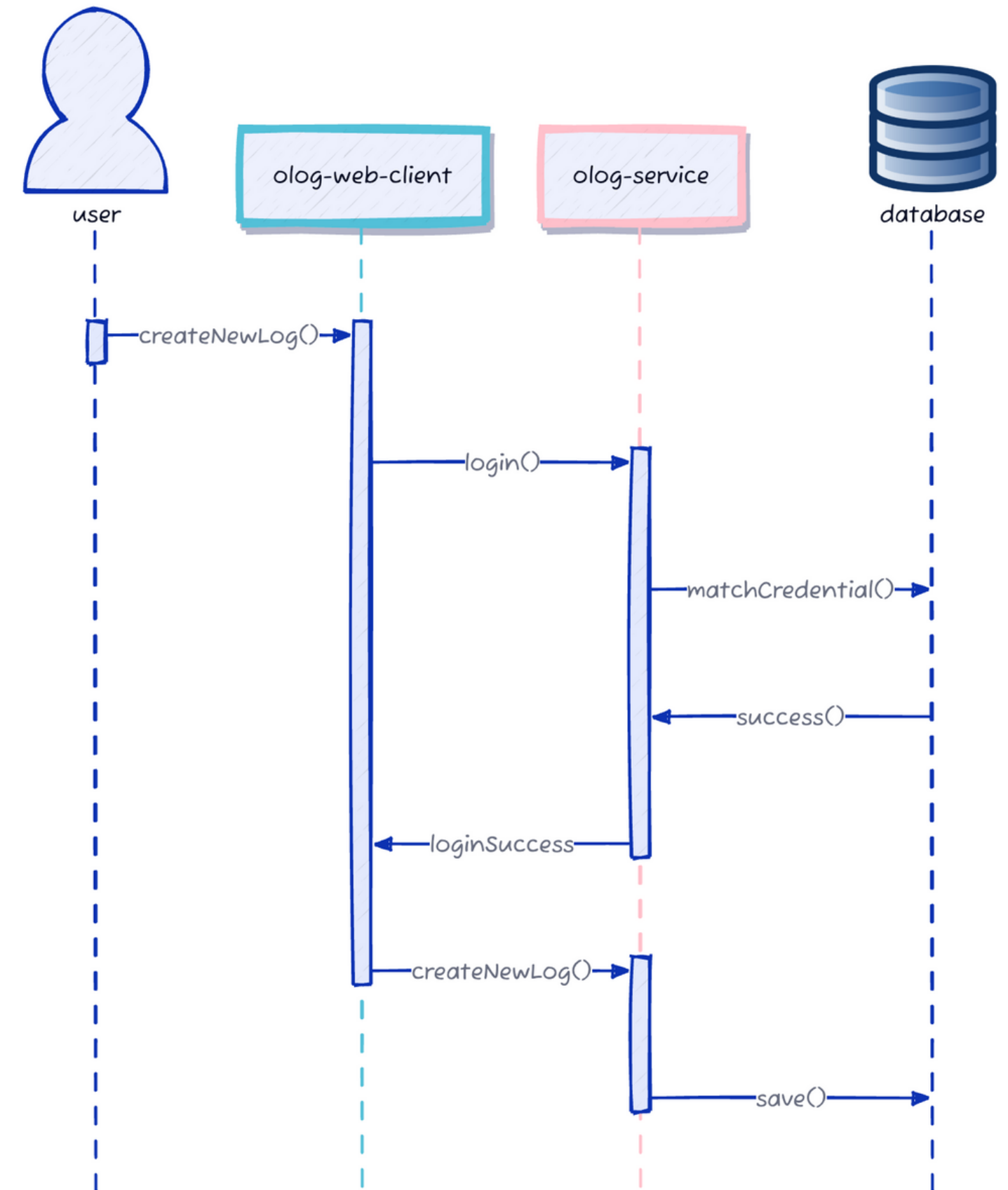
Create new log

User login with credentials stored on olog-service DB

Olog web client implements login forms for authentication



Use case with Olog

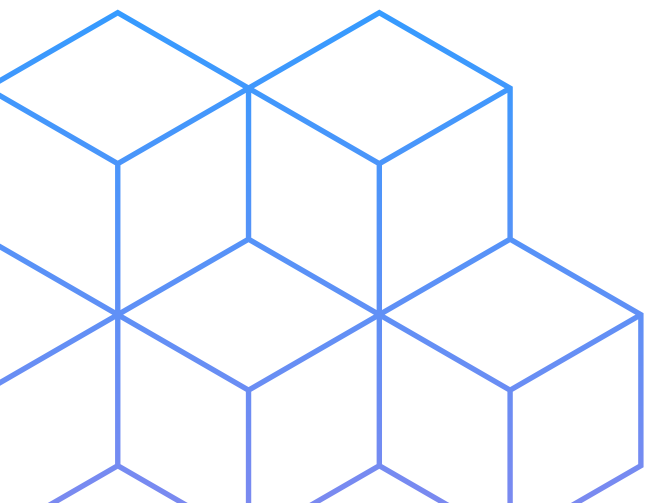
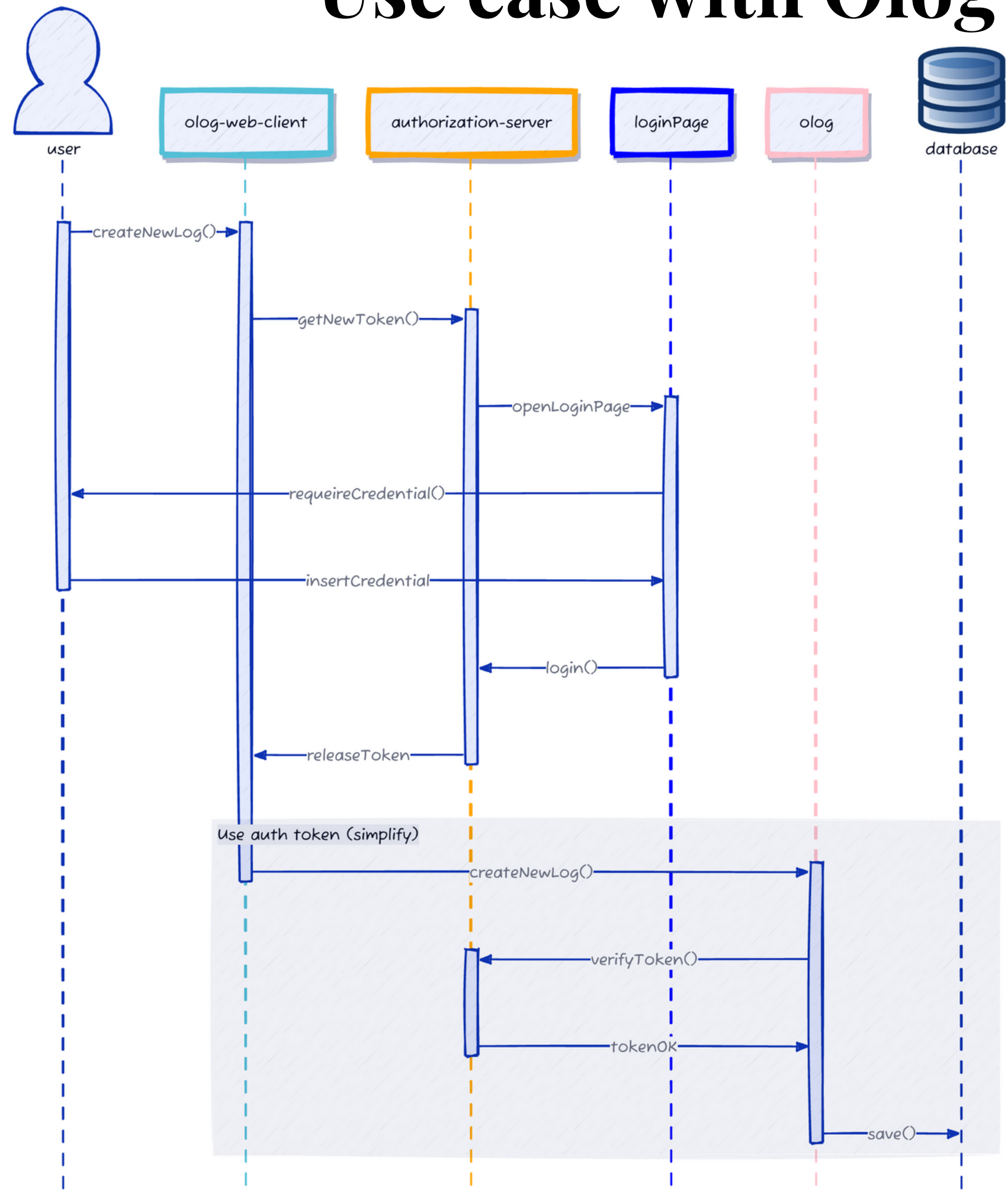


Create new log

OAuth2 Implementation

Users authenticate via an Authorization Server and use token for API requests.

Use case with Olog (2)

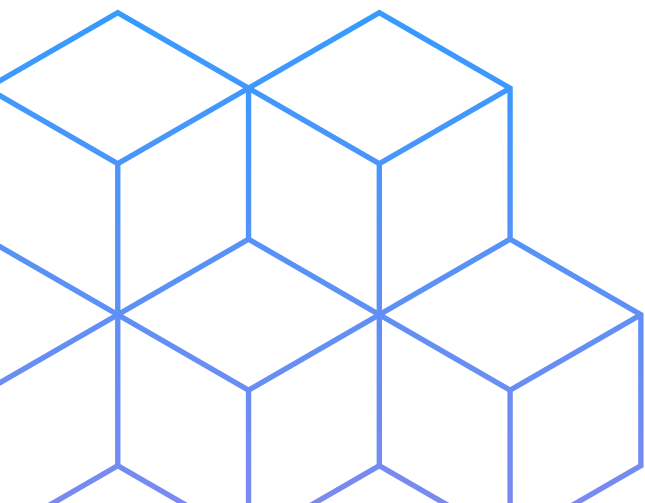
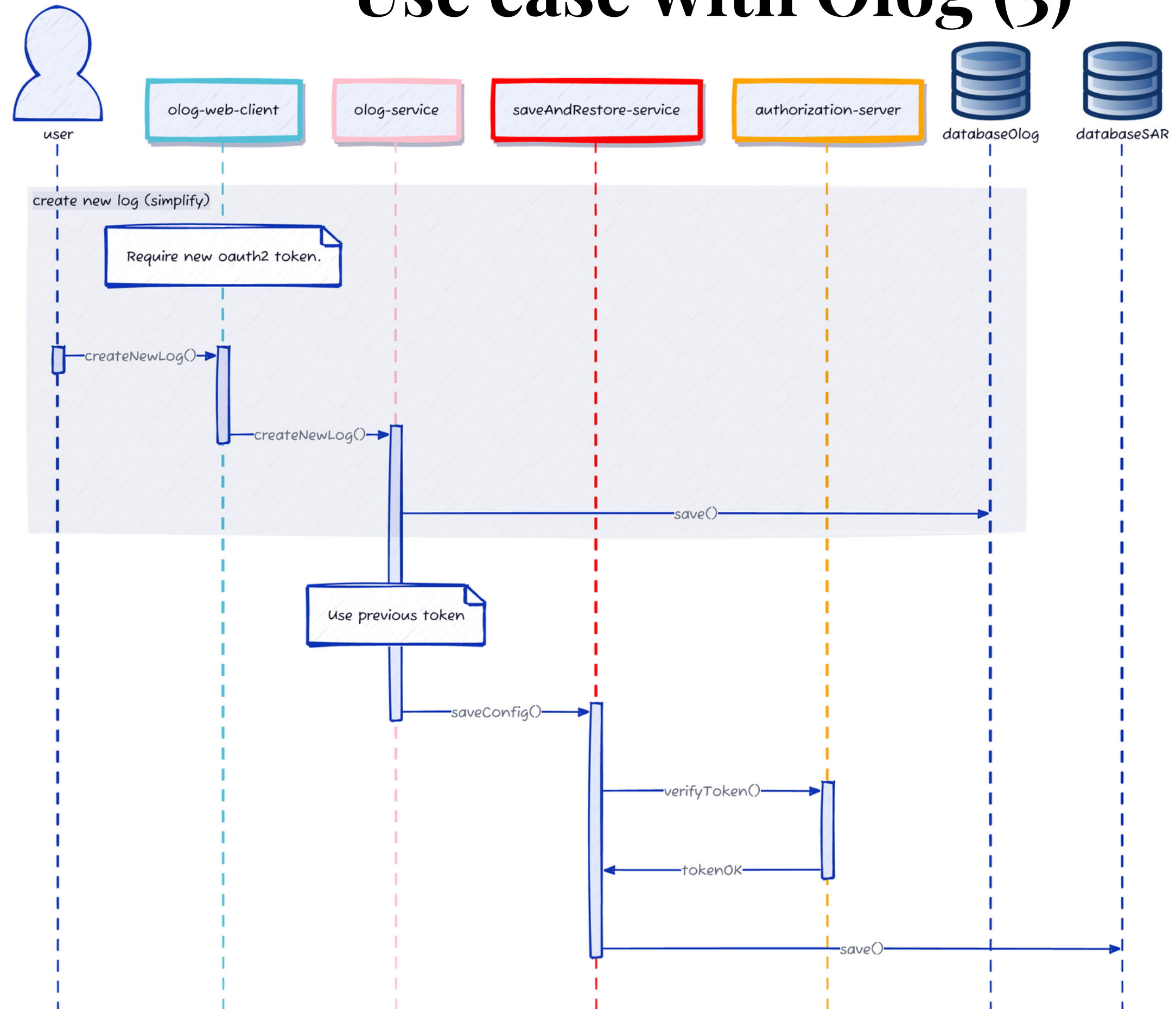


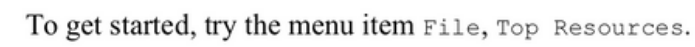
New log with SaR

OAuth2 Implementation

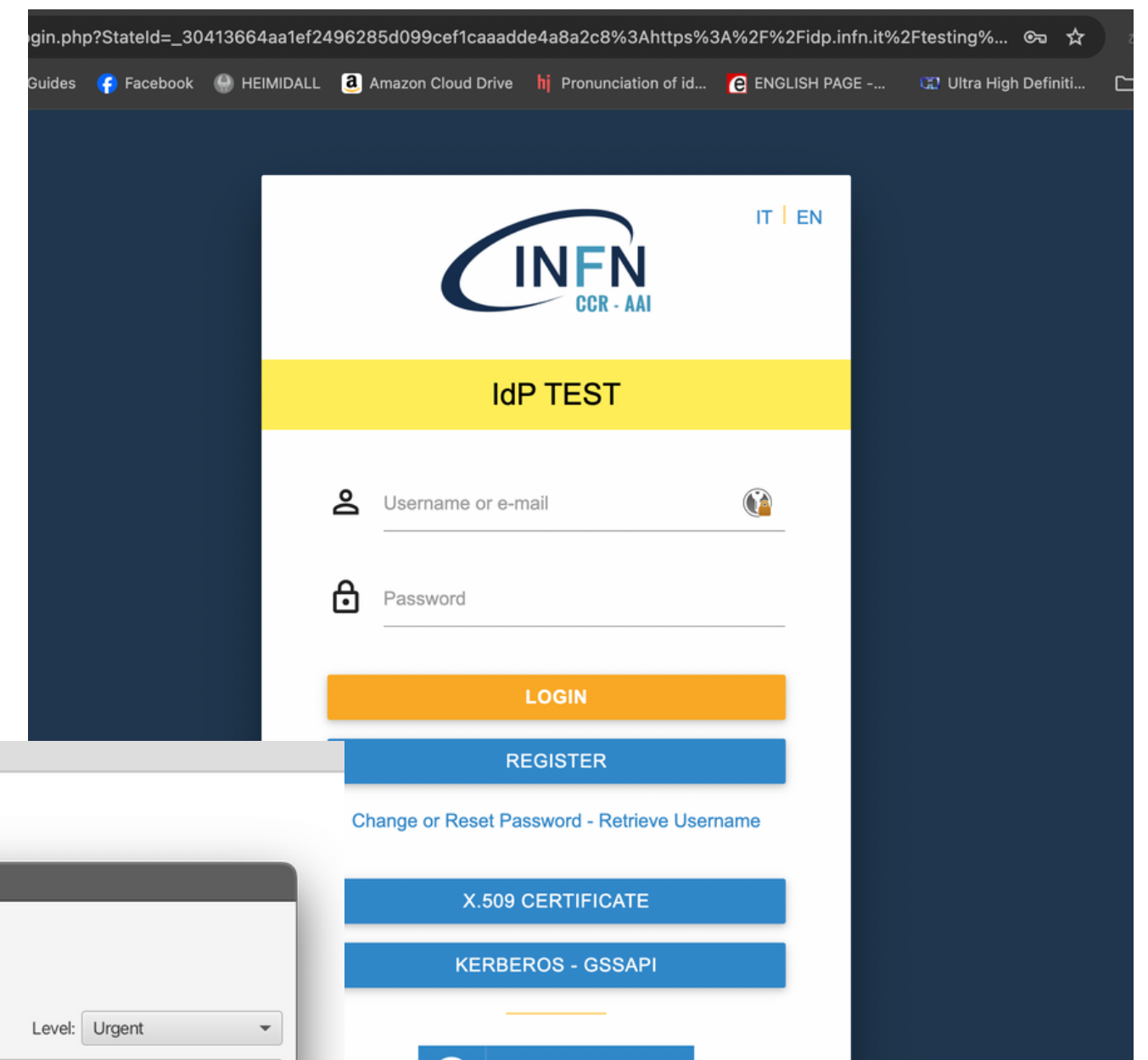
After create a new log, save log configuration to save-and-restore service without requiring re-authentication.

Use case with Olog (3)





To install example displays, use the menu item **Applications, Display, Exa**



Pros vs Cons

“One ring token to rule them all.”

Single authentication for all services (Single Sign-On)

Requires an Identity Provider and Service Provider.

Create an external service in order to manage identities.

Avoid to implement login forms

Use external service to authenticate

Token expiration

Handling expiration to avoid token leakage and new login

Increase security

Credential are not exposed to individual application.

Current Development

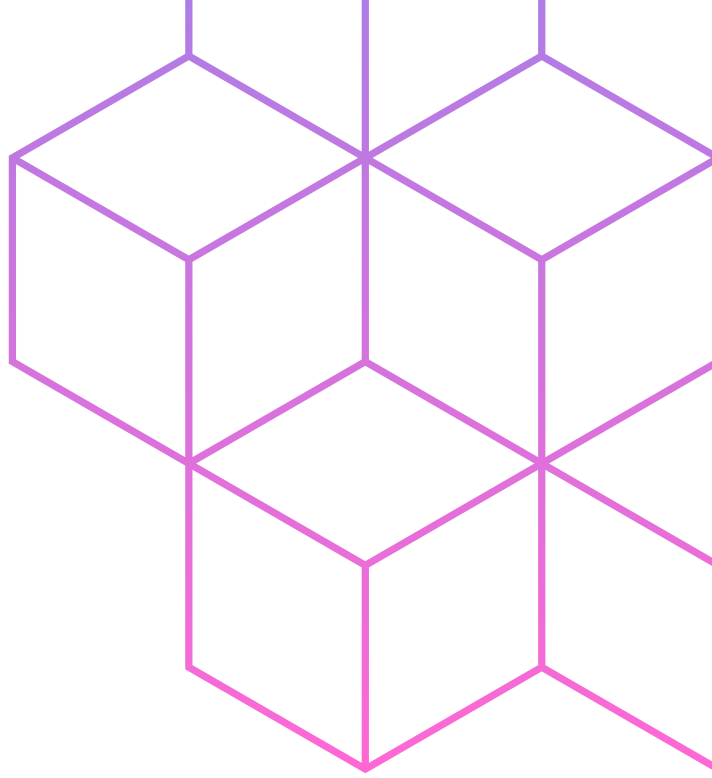
	OAuth2 + OpenIDConnect
Phoebus Client	✓
Phoebus-Olog	✓
Olog-Web	✓
Save And Restore	



Done



In progress



Thanks for your attention

