

:: Centralised Authentication ::

An overview of LDAP & Radius deployments using open source components.

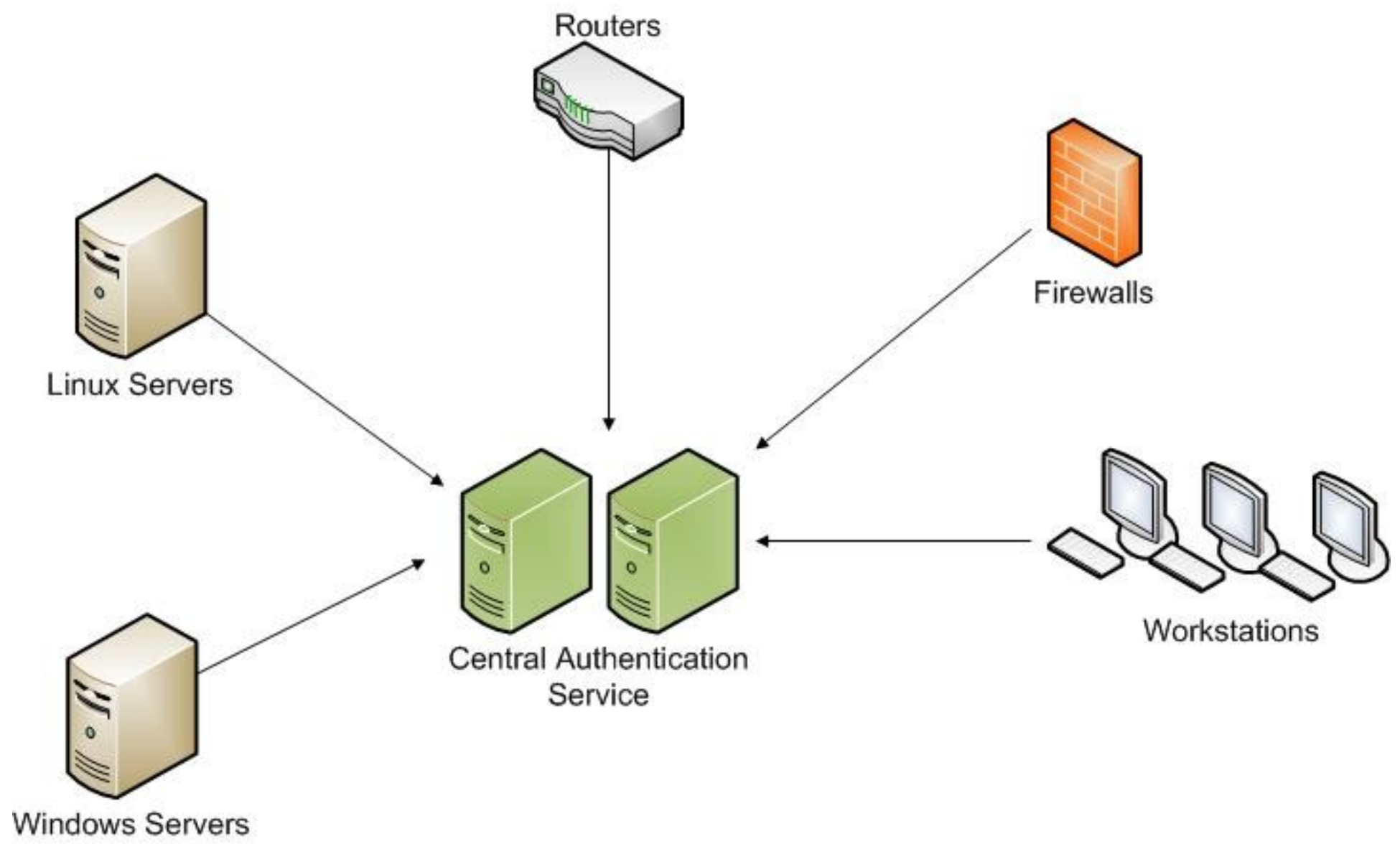
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:: what is centralised authentication? ::

- Centralised location for management of user and group information.
- Typically supports multiple operating systems & applications – usually based around a standard.
- One place to add, change or revoke user credentials.
- Ability to define what permissions particular users have.
- Examples: LDAP, Kerberos and Active Directory.

:: everyone loves diagrams ::



:: Lightweight Directory Access Protocol ::







“is an application protocol for accessing and maintaining distributed directory information services over an Internet Protocol (IP) network” ~ Wikipedia

LDAP is commonly considered to be a user storage database – LDAP is no more a “user storage database” than is MySQL, both are tools which provide this functionality, along with many other possibilities.

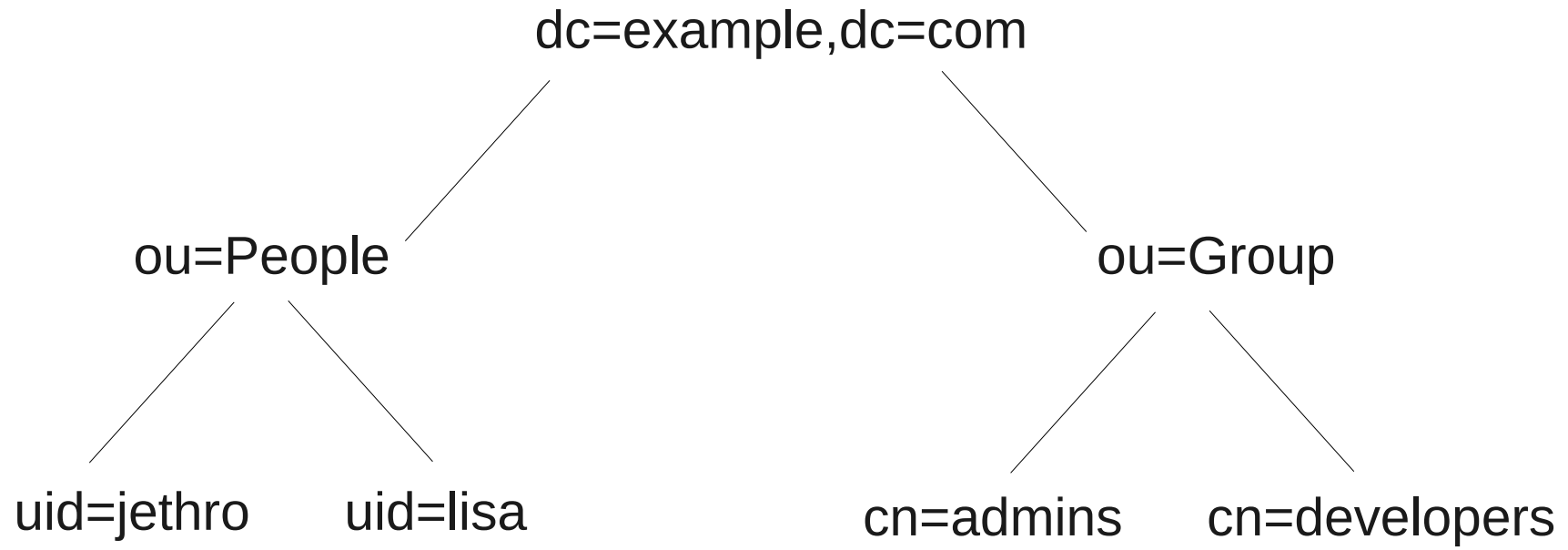
:: NOT a relational database ::

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```
SELECT *  
FROM `users`  
LIMIT 0 , 30
```

			id	username	realname	password
<input type="checkbox"/>			1	setup	Setup Account	14c2a5c3681b95582c3e01fc19f49853d9
<input type="checkbox"/>			2	bob.jones	Bob Jones	
<input type="checkbox"/>			3	james.smith	James Smith	

:: Tree Based Structure ::





<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X.500>

:: LDAP Records ::

```
# usertest1, People, auth, example.amberdms.com
dn: uid=usertest1,ou=People,ou=auth,dc=example,dc=amberdms,dc=com
uid: usertest1
givenName: user
sn: test1
uidNumber: 1056
gidNumber: 1056
loginShell: /bin/bash
homeDirectory: /home/usertest1
objectClass: top
objectClass: inetOrgPerson
objectClass: posixAccount
objectClass: shadowAccount
objectClass: radiusprofile
objectClass: radiusMikrotik
cn: user test1
```

```
# usertest1, Group, auth, example.amberdms.com
dn: cn=usertest1,ou=Group,ou=auth,dc=example,dc=amberdms,dc=com
cn: usertest1
gidNumber: 1056
objectClass: top
objectClass: posixGroup
objectClass: radiusprofile
objectClass: radiusMikrotik
```


:: Scalibility ::

1 user



**18,000+
users**

:: Popular ::

Linux, Windows, Solaris,
Applications, VoIP
Phones, Routers, PHP,
Perl, Python, C#/.NET,
and more

:: Open Source ::

- OpenLDAP – popular, reliable, ships with almost every Linux distribution.

<http://www.openldap.org/>

- 389 Directory Server – Red Hat / Fedora's LDAP server

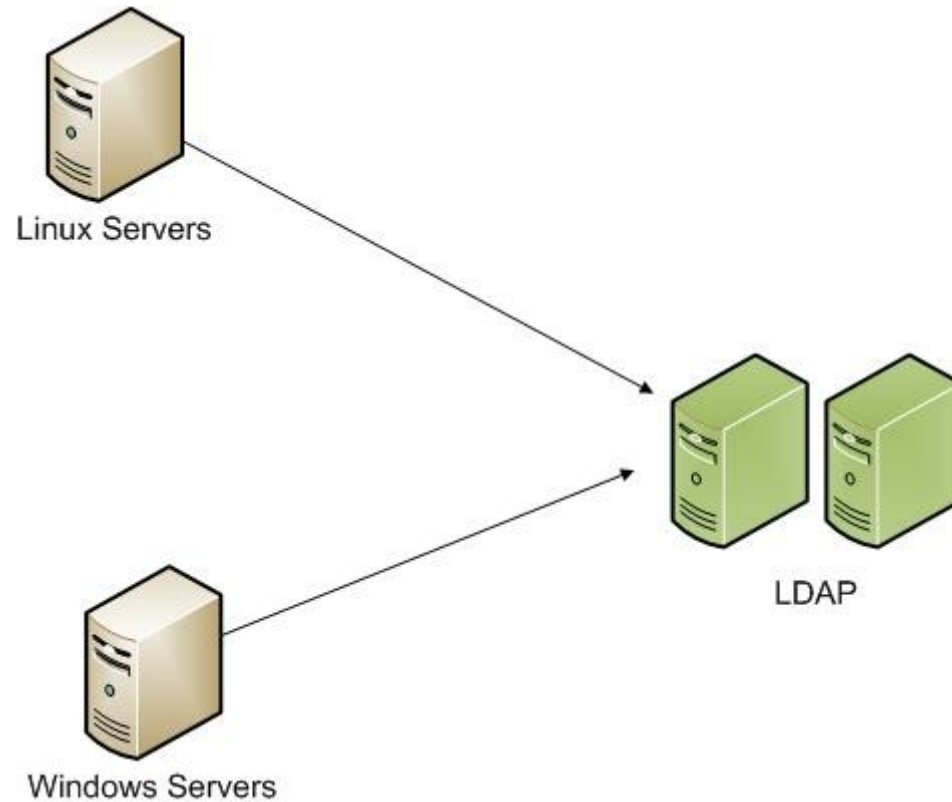
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(Also known as “Red Hat Directory Server”, “Fedora Directory Server” and once upon a time, “Netscape Directory Server”).

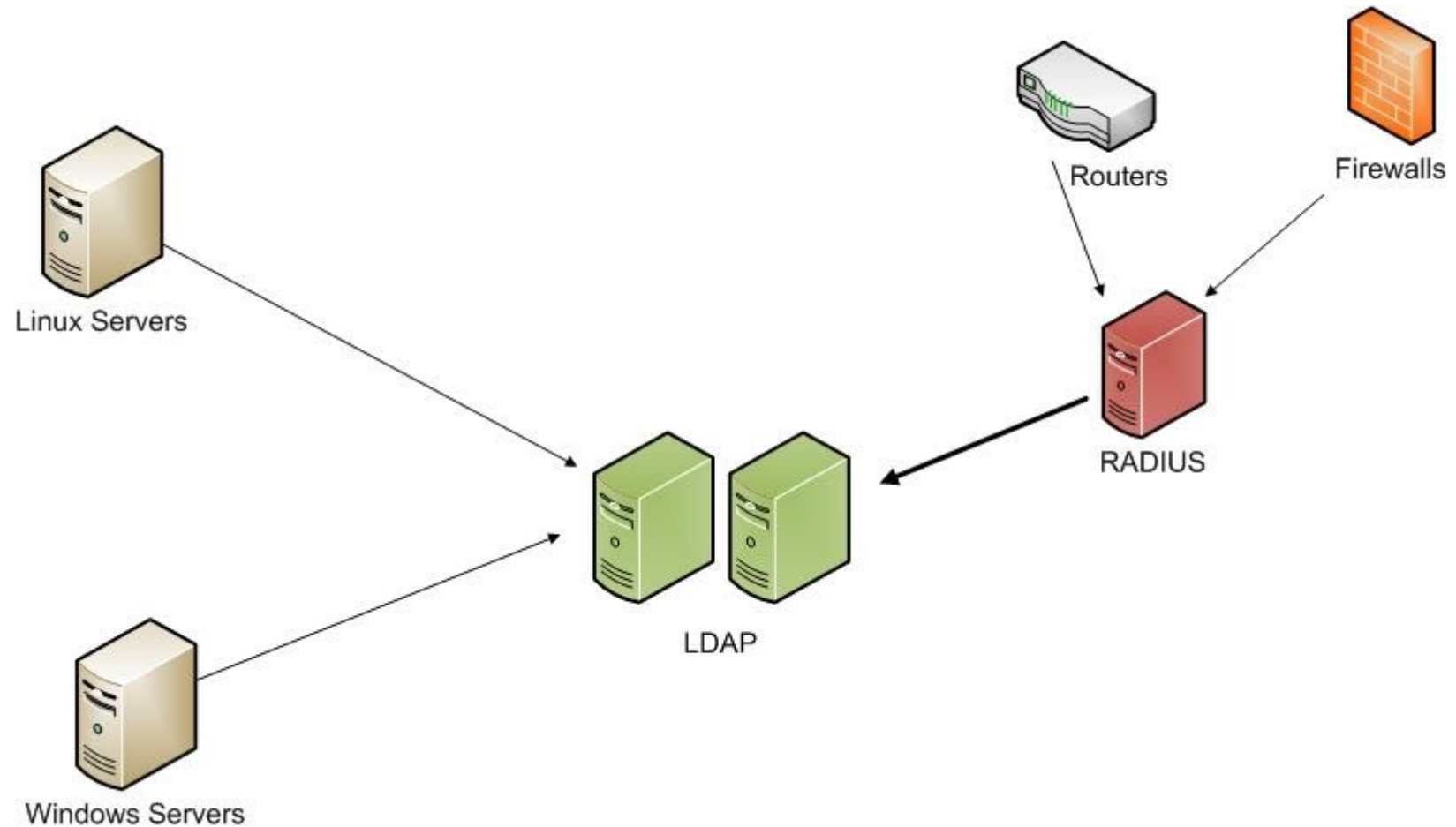
- FreeRadius – most widely deployed RADIUS server in the world.

<http://freeradius.org/>

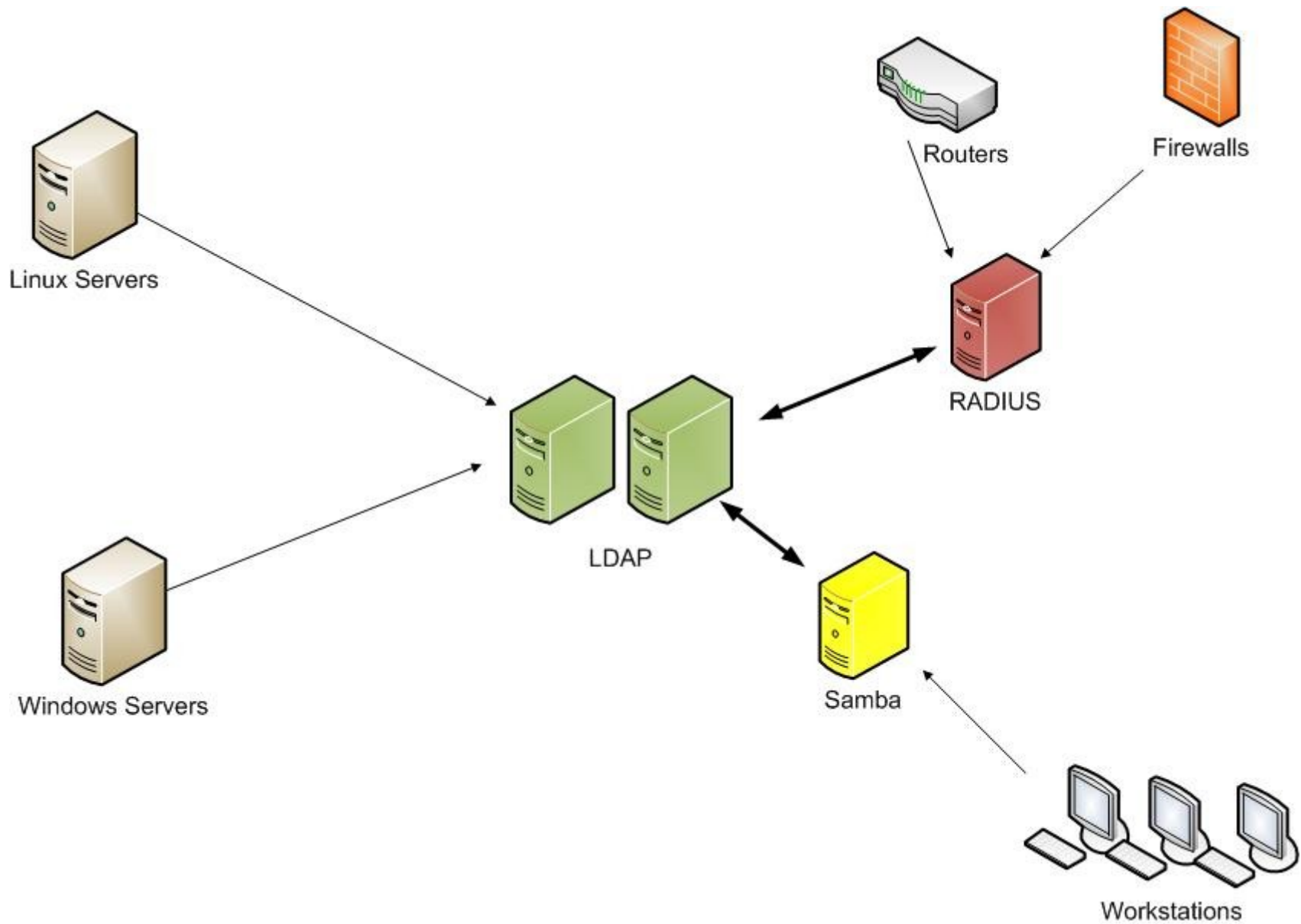
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:: And more... ::



:: But isn't user management.... a bit ugly? ::

```
[root@devel-auth-openldap tmp]# cat > groupadd.ldif << "EOF"
> # Inital sample group
> dn: cn=sample,ou=Group,ou=auth,dc=example,dc=com
> objectClass: posixGroup
> objectClass: top
> cn: sample
> gidNumber: 2001
> userPassword: {crypt}x
> memberUid: setup
> EOF
(reverse-i-search)`gr': cat > groupadd.ldif << "EOF"
[root@devel-auth-openldap tmp]# ldapadd -xw -D 'cn=Manager,dc=example,dc=amberdms,dc=com' -f /tmp/groupadd.ldif
Enter LDAP Password:
adding new entry "cn=sample,ou=Group,ou=auth,dc=example,dc=com"
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[root@devel-auth-openldap tmp]# █
```

:: LDAPAuthManager ::

<http://www.amberdms.com/ldapauthmanager>

ldapauthmanager

logged on as jethro | [logout](#)

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USER DETAILS

This page allows you to view and adjust the user account details.

User Details

Username *	<input type="text" value="bob"/>
Given Name *	<input type="text"/>
Surname *	<input type="text"/>
UID Number *	<input type="text" value="1001"/>
GID Number *	<input type="text" value="1001"/>
Login Shell *	<input type="text" value="/bin/bash"/>
Home Directory *	<input type="text" value="/home/bob"/>

User Password

Only input a password if you wish to change the existing one.

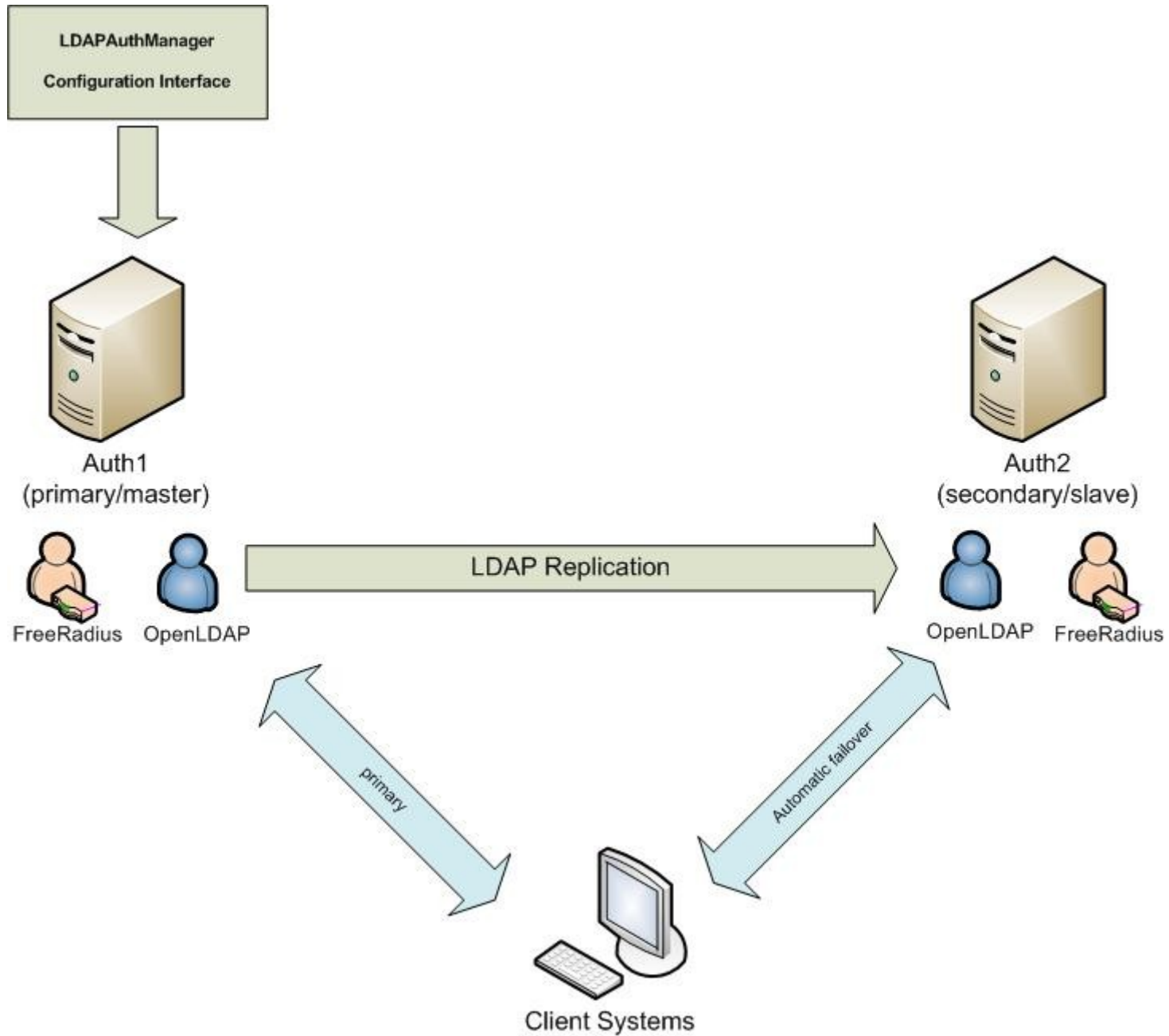
Password	<input type="password"/>
Password (confirm)	<input type="password"/>

Apply

Please note that all fields marked with "" must be filled in.*

[Save Changes](#)

:: Example Auth Build ::



:: DEMO TIME ::