

Location_factor

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Location_factor is part of authentication and includes using the user's current geographic location as determined by Global Positioning System (GPS) or using mobile device radio tower triangulation. Location Factors are generally not used as a sole source of identification but are used in combination with other identifying factors such as Knowledge, Possession, or Inherence. For example, an attempt is made to sign-on to a site using the user's user id and password but is doing so from a different location. The server rejects the sign-on because it uses the combination of the user/password and location to confirm the identity of the user.

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