



RBAC on Samba Environment

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RBAC Overview

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Implementation with Samba native methods

Implementation with custom Samba VFS

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Introduction



“Within an organization, roles are relatively stable, while users and permissions are both numerous and may change rapidly”

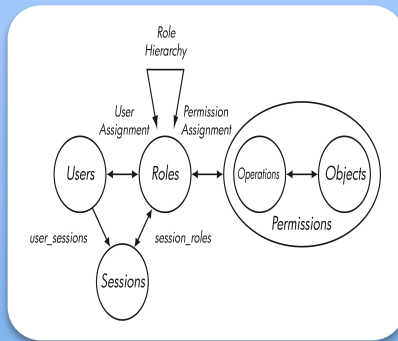
Controlling all access through roles simplifies

Management

Review of access controls

Enforce enterprise-specific security policies

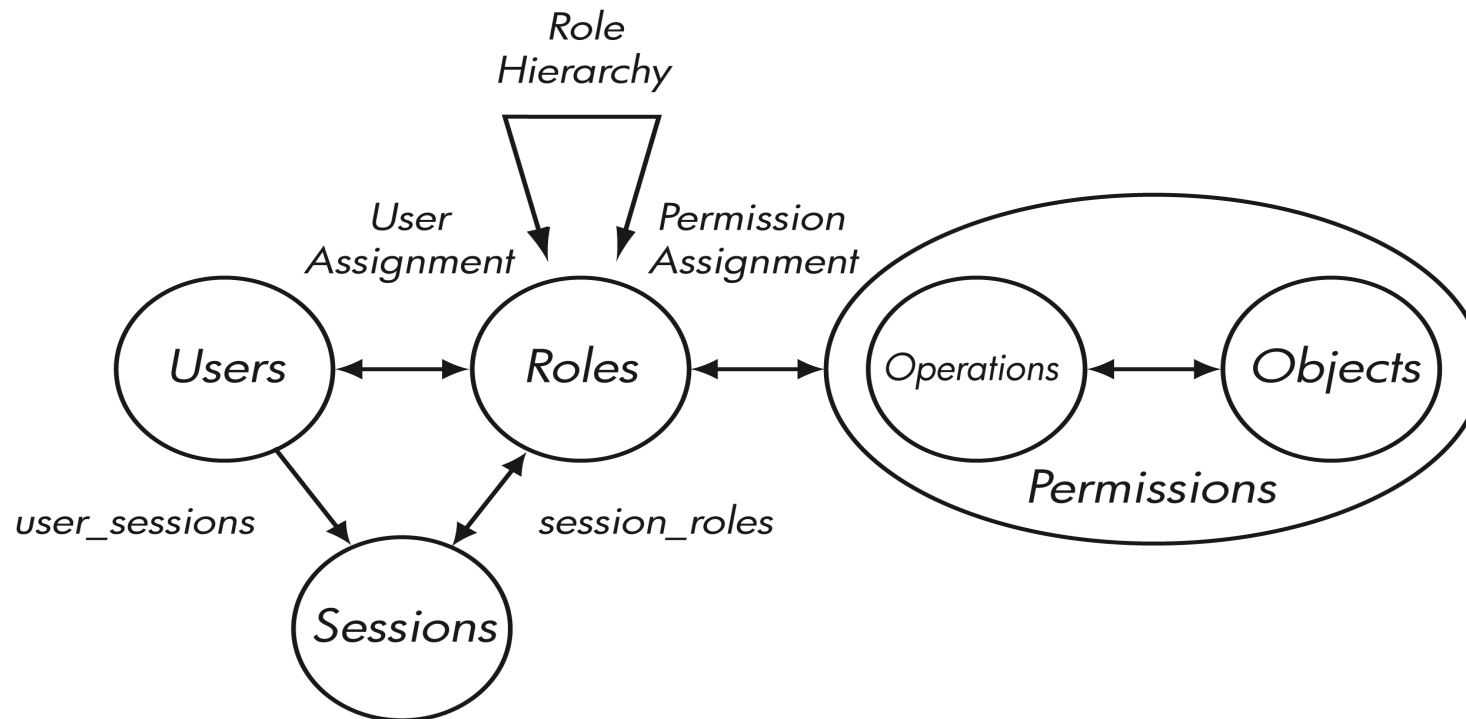
Overview: RBAC



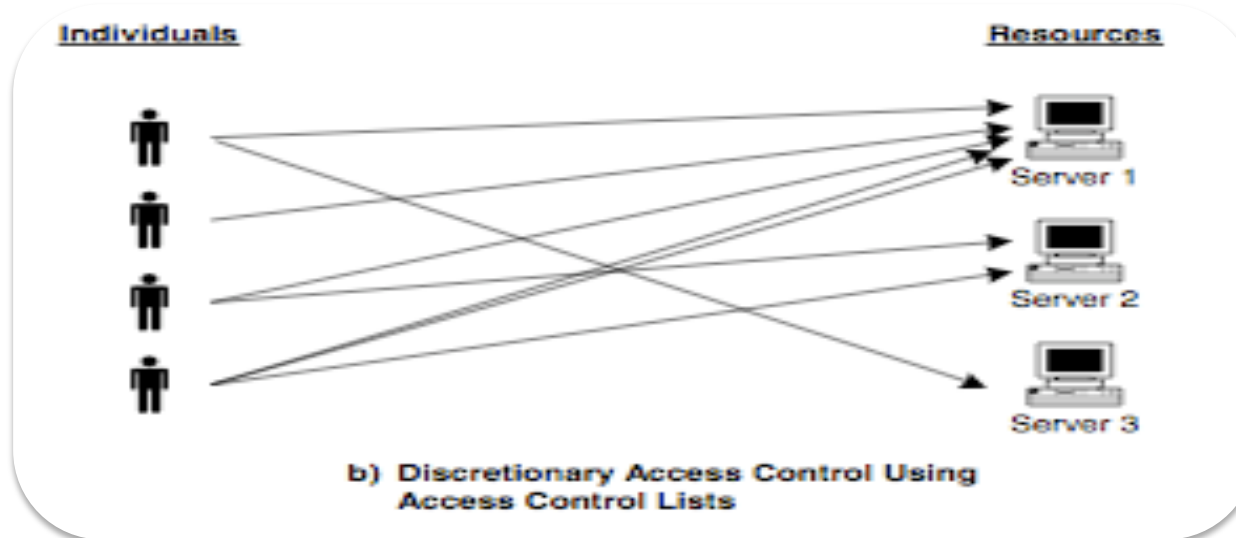
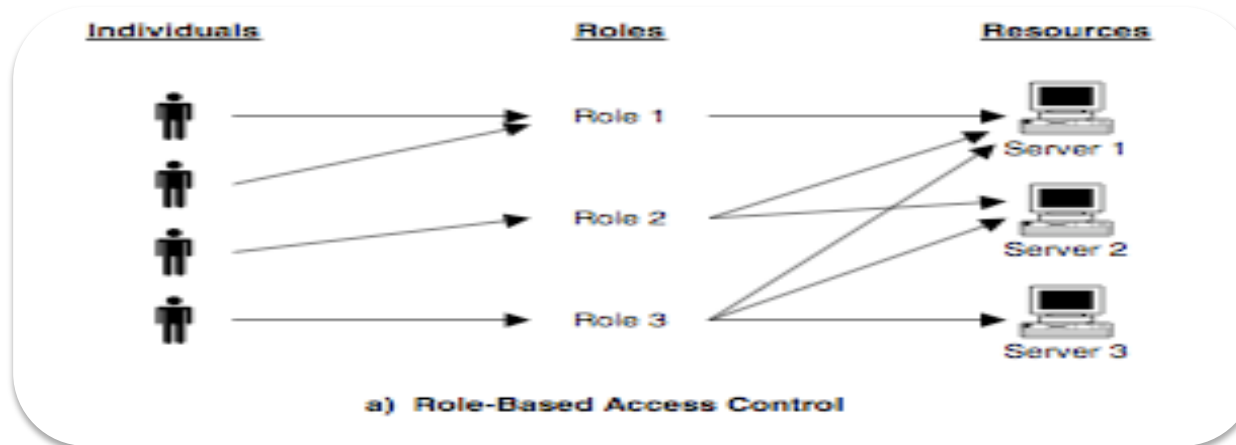
A general-purpose role based access control model was proposed in 1992 by Ferraiolo and Kuhn

- A key feature of this model is:
 - All access is through roles
 - A role is essentially a collection of permissions
 - All users receive permissions only through the roles to which they are assigned, or through roles they inherit through the role hierarchy

Overview: Model



Overview: RBAC vs ACL



Introduction: Windows

Application

- namespace for roles, tasks, and operations.

Scope

- collection of resources in which each resource of similar type has the same authorization policy.

Role

- Usually corresponds to a job category or responsibility (for example, purchaser or hiring manager) and is a collection of tasks that a user must have to do that job.

Task

- collection of operations and sometimes other tasks.

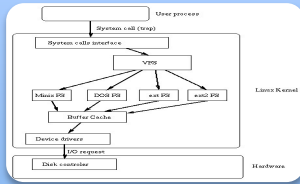
Operation

- set of permissions that are associated with system-level or API-level security procedures.

Business Rule

- script that is associated with a task. A rule allows access decisions to be based on any run-time condition that a script can test.
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Implementation Steps



Steps

- **Role analysis**
- Identify Resources
- RBAC object map
- Samba implementation

Implementation

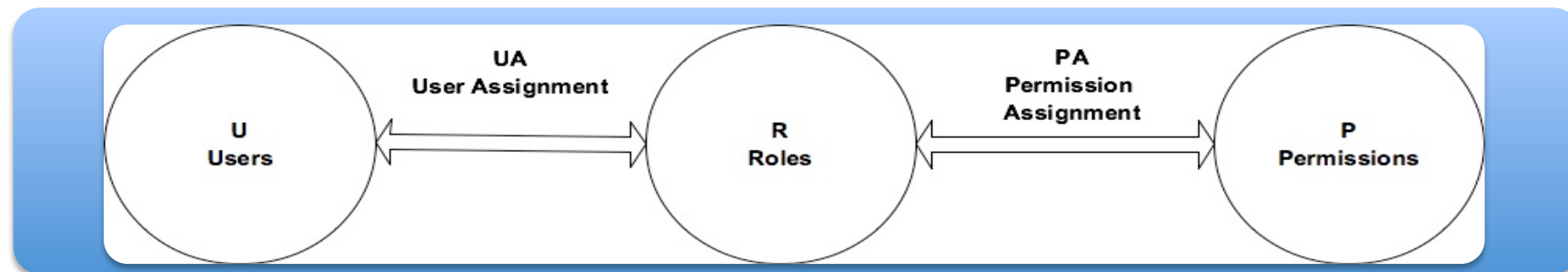
Implementation Core revision 0

A role can have multiple subjects.

A permission can be assigned to many roles.

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A role can have many permissions.

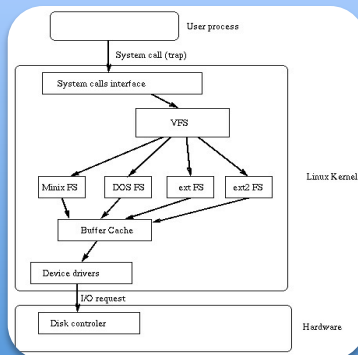


Samba Implementations



Usage Native methods

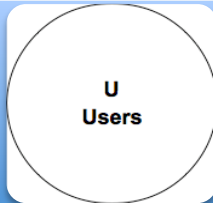
- Share
- Groups



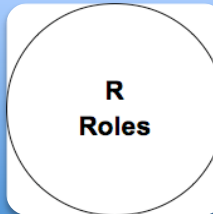
VFS Module

- Custom Module
- Directory Server

Native Methods : Mapping



Samba User



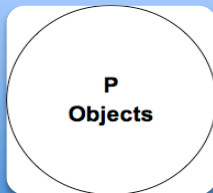
Group

- With specific prefix Role_[Role name]



Group

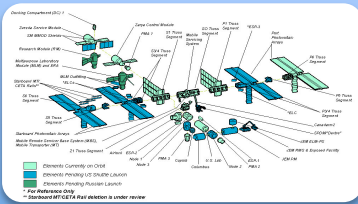
- RO Group prefix OBJECTNAME_RO with read only permission
- RW Group prefix OBJECTNAME_RW with read write permission
- OWNER Group prefix OBJECTNAME_OWNER with complete permission



Shares

- Minimal element Windows share
 - Windows share name = operation group name
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Native Methods: smb.conf



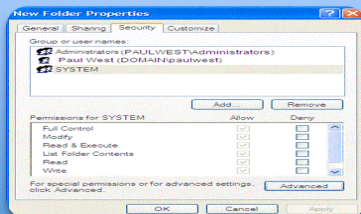
Conf

- Winbind nested groups
- Local group as permission
- Domain group as role
- Force group creation



Share

- *valid user ..*



ACL

- ACL support on File system
- ACL inherits

Native Methods : result

Cons

- Minimal entity based on share
- Group number
- Group is a collection of permissions, rather than a collection of users

Pro

- No additional software
 - Simple administration
 - AD integration
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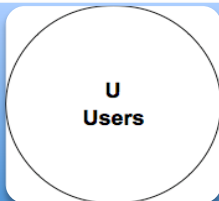
VFS Module: introduction

RBAC Module

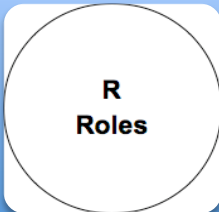
VFS Modules
extended capabilities

Directory
manage the identities and
relationships

VFS Module : Mapping



Samba User



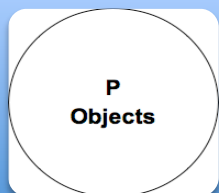
New entity

- New branch in Directory server
- New objectclass



VFS layer

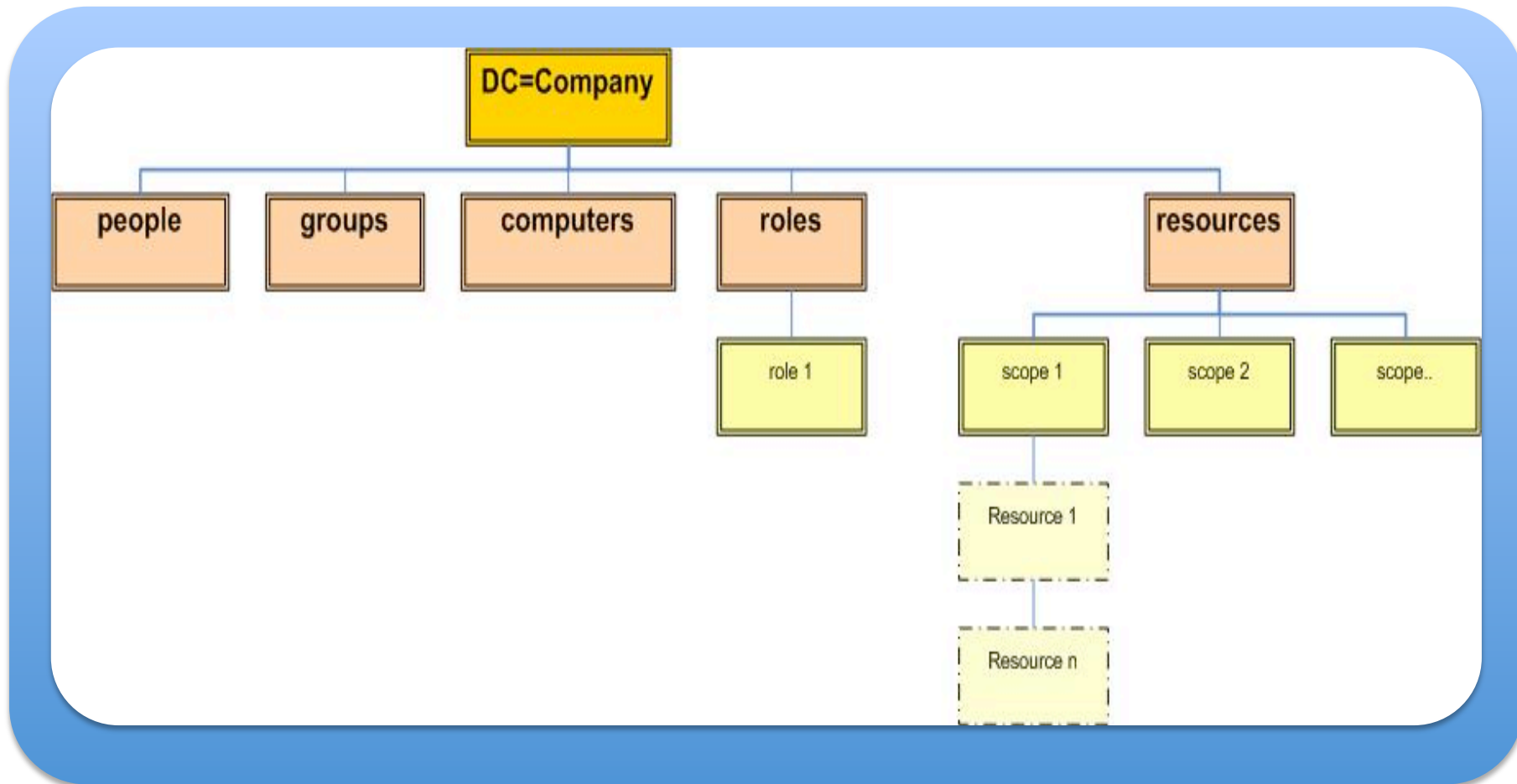
- Operation handle by vfs ()
- Attribute in object level



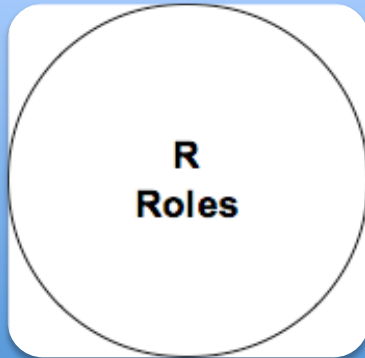
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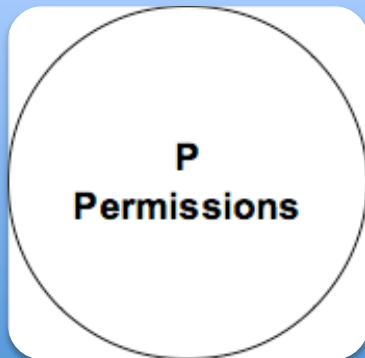


VFS Module: DIT



Role Object

- userMemberID
- roleName
- adminUser



Resources Object

- objectName
 - URL
 - Operations
 - Role
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VFS Module: implementation

Check Role/Permission on: Write/Read/Administration

Disk
operations

Directory
operations

File
operations

Permission
mod

VFS Module: result

Cons

- Unstable module
- Performance
- Directory Server
- No GUI

Pro

- Flexible
- Centralization Role definition

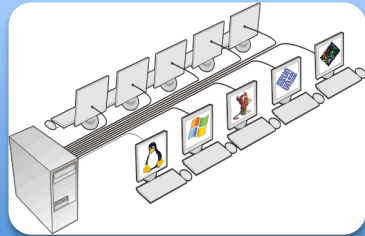
Common Errors



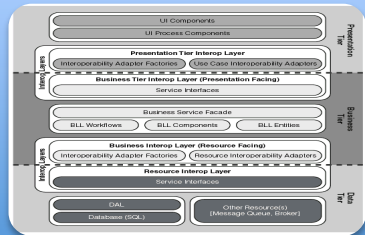
Wrong Usage

- Unstable organization
- Many cross function user
- Usage RBAC as ACL
- Security Enforcement

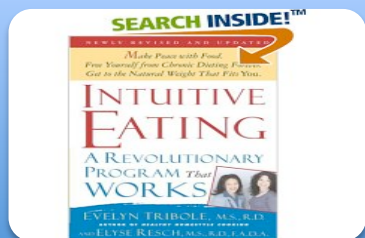
Benefit



Multi-user systems



Multi-application systems



Intuitive

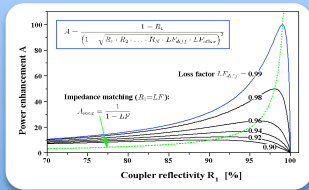
- competency, authority and responsibility

Result



Deploy

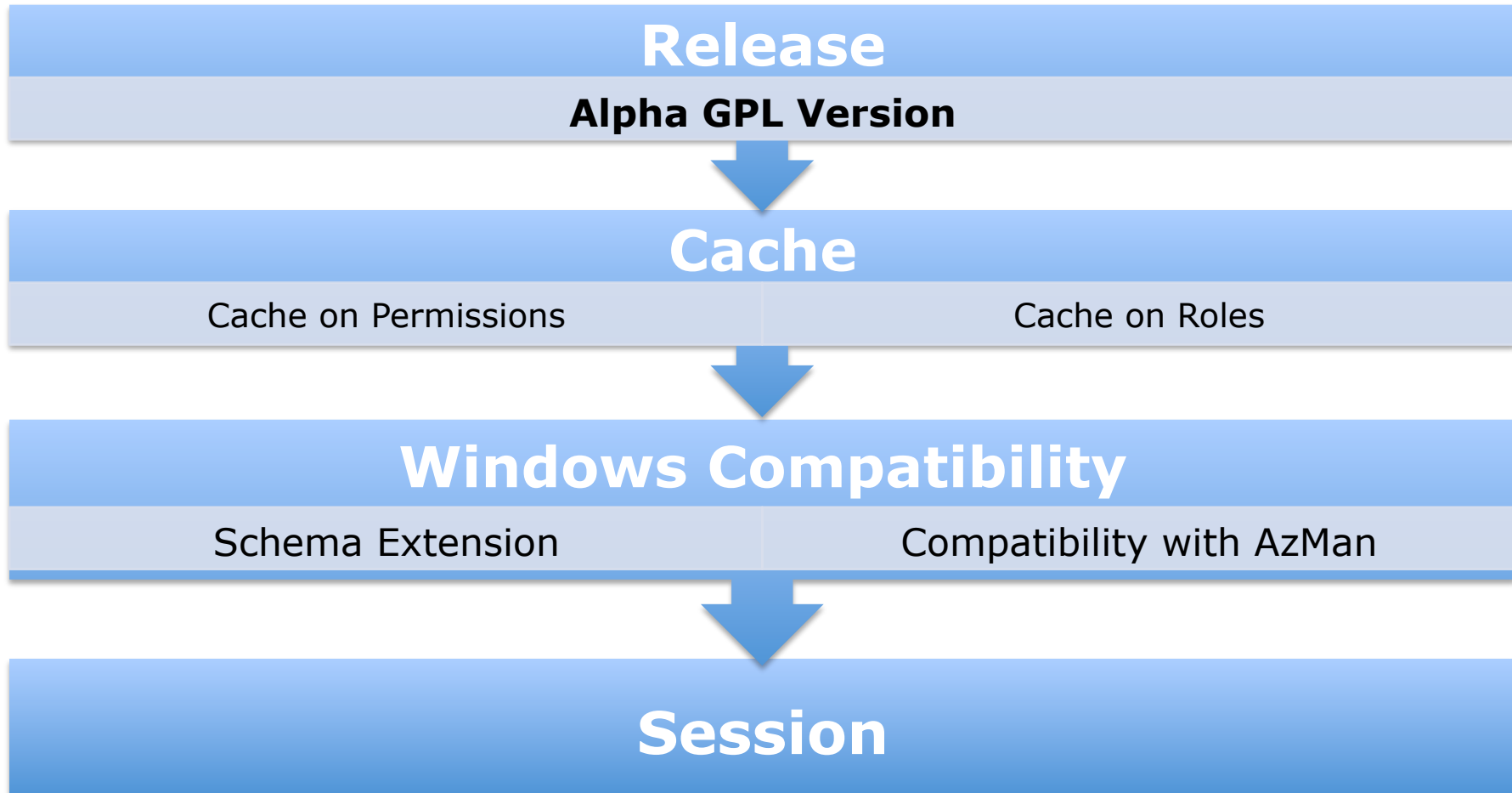
- 400 people
- 20 roles
- 100 shares
- 7 servers



Enhancement

- Reduction provisioning time 70%
- Simplify security audit

VFS Module: next



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