

Software Concepts

A general set of topics about Shibboleth can be found in the [Shibboleth Concepts](#) wiki space. The following are supplemental topics specific to the Shibboleth V2 IdP and SP software products.

A page describing key differences with the older V1 software is [here](#).

Identity Provider (IdP)

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