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How to secure REST APIs using Spring Boot

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1) Authentication (verifying credentials)

2) Authorization (can this user access specific functionality)

-> Security is very important for every web application

-> To protect our application & application data we need to implement security logic

-> Spring Security concept we can use to secure our web applications / REST APIs

-> To secure our spring boot application we need to add below starter in pom.xml file

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-security</artifactId>
</dependency>
```

Note: When we add this dependency in pom.xml file then by default our application will be secured with basic authentication. It will generate random password to access our application.

Note: Generated Random Password will be printed on console.

-> We need to use below credentials to access our application

Username : user

Password : <copy the pwd from console>

-> When we access our application url in browser then it will display "Login Form" to authenticate our request.

-> To access secured REST API from postman, we need to set Auth values in POSTMAN to send the request

```
Auth : Basic Auth
Username : user
Password : <copy-from-console>
```

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How to override Spring Security Default Credentials

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-> To override Default credentials we can configure security credentials in application.properties file or application.yml file like below

```
spring.security.user.name=ashokit
spring.security.user.password=ashokit@123
```

-> After configuring credentials like above, we need to give above credentials to access our application / api.

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How to secure specific URL Patterns

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-> When we add 'security-starter' in pom.xml then it will apply security filter for all the HTTP methods of our application.

-> But in reality we need to secure only few methods not all methods in our application.

For Example

```

/ login-page --> security not required
/ transfer ---> security required
/ balance ---> security required
/ about-us ---> security not required
/ contact-us ---> security not required

```

-> In order to achieve above requirement we need to Customize Security Configuration in our project like below

```

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfigurer {

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilter(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception{

        http.authorizeHttpRequests((request) -> request
            .antMatchers("/", "/login", "/about", "/swagger-ui.html").permitAll()
            .anyRequest().authenticated()
        ).formLogin();

        return http.build();
    }
}

```

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Spring Security In-Memory Authentication
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-> In Memory Authentication means storing user credentials in the program for Authentication Purpose.

-> This is not recommended for production.

```

@Bean
public InMemoryUserDetailsManager configureUsers() {

    UserDetails adminUser = User.withDefaultPasswordEncoder()
        .username("ashok")
        .password("ashok@123")
        .authorities("ADMIN")
        .build();

    UserDetails normalUser = User.withDefaultPasswordEncoder()
        .username("raja")
        .password("raja@123")
        .authorities("USER")
        .build();

    return new InMemoryUserDetailsManager(adminUser, normalUser);
}

```

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Spring Boot Security with JDBC Authentication
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```

=> JDBC Authentication is used to fetch Db table data for User authentication purpose

Step-1) Setup Database tables with required data

-- users table structure

```
CREATE TABLE `users` (
  `username` VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
  `password` VARCHAR(120) NOT NULL,
  `enabled` TINYINT(1) NOT NULL,
  PRIMARY KEY (`username`)
);
```

-- authorities table structure

```
CREATE TABLE `authorities` (
  `username` VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
  `authority` VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
  KEY `username` (`username`),
  CONSTRAINT `authorities_ibfk_1` FOREIGN KEY (`username`)
  REFERENCES `users` (`username`)
);
```

===== Online Encrypt : <https://bcrypt-generator.com/> =====

-- insert records into table

```
insert into users values ('john', '$2a$12$Lj2F05RypfMa2i5rzjGdg.gLTEYfhVUUMRB0QVktv0Q6JQgPS6gHe',
1);
```

```
insert into users values ('smith', '$2a$12$68VILR5JATg0zWXYK/l5hu8FIrilVjIV0MvAt9A1tqrtzGgNutTT.',
1);
```

```
insert into authorities values ('john', 'ROLE_ADMIN');
insert into authorities values ('john', 'ROLE_USER');
insert into authorities values ('smith', 'ROLE_USER');
```

Step-2) Create Boot application with below dependencies

- a) web-starter
- b) security-starter
- c) data-jdbc
- d) mysql-connector
- e) lombok
- f) devtools

Step-3) Configure Data source properties in application.yml file

spring:

```

datasource:
  driver-class-name: com.mysql.cj.jdbc.Driver
  password: AshokIT@123
  url: jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/sbms33
  username: ashokit
jpa:
  show-sql: true

```

Step-4) Create Rest Controller with Required methods

```

@RestController
public class UserRestController {

    @GetMapping(value = "/admin")
    public String admin() {
        return "<h3>Welcome Admin :)</h3>";
    }

    @GetMapping(value = "/user")
    public String user() {
        return "<h3>Hello User :)</h3>";
    }

    @GetMapping(value = "/")
    public String welcome() {
        return "<h3>Welcome :)</h3>";
    }

}

```

Step-5) Create Security Configuration class like below with Jdbc Authentication Manager

```

package in.ashokit;

import javax.sql.DataSource;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Configuration;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.EnableWebSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.authentication.builders.AuthenticationManagerBuilder;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.builders.HttpSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.EnableWebSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.crypto.bcrypt.BCryptPasswordEncoder;
import org.springframework.security.web.SecurityFilterChain;

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfiguration {

    private static final String ADMIN = "ADMIN";
    private static final String USER = "USER";

    @Autowired
    private DataSource dataSource;

    @Autowired
    public void authManager(AuthenticationManagerBuilder auth) throws Exception {
        auth.jdbcAuthentication()
            .dataSource(dataSource)

```

```

        .passwordEncoder(new BCryptPasswordEncoder())
        .usersByUsernameQuery("select username,password,enabled from users where username=?")
        .authoritiesByUsernameQuery("select username,authority from authorities where
username=?");
    }

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityConfig(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {

        http.authorizeHttpRequests( (req) -> req
            .antMatchers("/admin").hasRole(ADMIN)
            .antMatchers("/user").hasAnyRole(ADMIN,USER)
            .antMatchers("/").permitAll()
            .anyRequest().authenticated()
        ).formLogin();

        return http.build();
    }
}

```

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How to work with UserDetailsService in Spring Security
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=> UserDetailsService is a predefined interface which contains loadUserByUsername(String name) method.

=> This is used to load User record for Authentication purpose in Spring Security.

=> We can implement UserDetailsService interface and we can write the logic to retrieve User record based on given username for Authentication purpose.

=> If we give UserDetailsService object to AuthenticationManagerBuild then AuthManager will call this method for every login request.

```

-----
@Service
public class MyUserDetailsService implements UserDetailsService{

    @Override
    public UserDetails loadUserByUsername(String username) throws UsernameNotFoundException {

        System.out.println("loadUserByUsername() method called.....");

        // logic to get user data
        // userRepo.findByUsername(name);

        return new User("ashok", "ashok@123", Collections.emptyList());
    }
}

```

```

-----
@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfigurer {

    @Autowired
    private MyUserDetailsService userDtlsService;

    @Autowired
    public void configureUsers(AuthenticationManagerBuilder auth) throws Exception{
        auth.userDetailsService(userDtlsService)
            .passwordEncoder(NoOpPasswordEncoder.getInstance());
    }
}

```

```

@Bean
public SecurityFilterChain securityConfig(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
    http.authorizeHttpRequests( (req) ->
        req.antMatchers("/contact")
            .permitAll()
            .anyRequest()
            .authenticated()
    ).formLogin();
    return http.build();
}
}

```

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OAuth 2.0
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```

1) Create Spring Boot application with below dependencies

```

<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-oauth2-client</artifactId>
</dependency>
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-security</artifactId>
</dependency>
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-web</artifactId>
</dependency>

```

2) Create OAuth app in Github.com

(Login --> Settings --> Developer Settings --> OAuth Apps --> Create App --> Copy Client ID & Client Secret)

3) Configure GitHub OAuth App client id & client secret in application.yml file like below

```

spring:
  security:
    oauth2:
      client:
        registration:
          github:
            clientId:
            clientSecret:

```

4) Create Rest Controller with method

```

@RestController
public class WelcomeRestController {

    @GetMapping("/")
    public String welcome() {
        return "Welcome to Ashok IT";
    }
}

```

```
}
```

5) Run the application and test it.

```
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Spring Boot with JWT
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-> JWT stands for JSON Web Tokens

-> JSON Web Tokens are an open, industry standard RFC 7519 method for representing claims securely between two parties.

-> JWT official Website : <https://jwt.io/>

-> Below is the sample JWT Token

```
token=eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJzdWIiOiIxMjM0NTY3ODkwIiwibmFtZSI6IkpvaG4gRG9lIiwiaWF0IjoxNTE2MjM5MDIyfQ.SflKxwRJSMeKKF2QT4fwpMeJf36POk6yJV_adQssw5c
```

-> JWT contains below 3 parts

- 1) Header
- 2) Payload
- 3) Signature

Note: JWT 3 parts will be separated by using dot(.)

```
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1) Create Spring Boot appliation with below dependencies
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```

```
<dependencies>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-security</artifactId>
  </dependency>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-web</artifactId>
  </dependency>

  <dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-devtools</artifactId>
    <scope>runtime</scope>
    <optional>true</optional>
  </dependency>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>org.projectlombok</groupId>
    <artifactId>lombok</artifactId>
    <optional>true</optional>
  </dependency>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-tomcat</artifactId>
    <scope>provided</scope>
  </dependency>

  <dependency>
    <groupId>io.jsonwebtoken</groupId>
    <artifactId>jjwt</artifactId>
    <version>0.9.1</version>
```

```

</dependency>
<dependency>
    <groupId>javax.xml.bind</groupId>
    <artifactId>jaxb-api</artifactId>
</dependency>

<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-test</artifactId>
    <scope>test</scope>
    <exclusions>
        <exclusion>
            <groupId>org.junit.vintage</groupId>
            <artifactId>junit-vintage-engine</artifactId>
        </exclusion>
    </exclusions>
</dependency>
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.security</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-security-test</artifactId>
    <scope>test</scope>
</dependency>
</dependencies>

```

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=====
2) Create Request and Response Binding Classes
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@Data

```

```

public class AuthenticationRequest implements Serializable {

    private String username;
    private String password;
}

```

```

public class AuthenticationResponse implements Serializable {

    private final String jwt;

    public AuthenticationResponse(String jwt) {
        this.jwt = jwt;
    }

    public String getJwt() {
        return jwt;
    }
}

```

```

=====
3) Create UserDetailsService for credentials configuration
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```

```

package com.ashokit.security;

import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.User;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UsernameNotFoundException;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;

import java.util.ArrayList;

@Service
public class MyUserDetailsService implements UserDetailsService {

```



```

@Override
public UserDetails loadUserByUsername(String s) throws UsernameNotFoundException {
    return new User("admin",
"$2a$12$e9oIZjBeSJDryJ/P5p1Ep.WPzJ3f4.C2vHC/as1E22R25XXGpPYyG", new ArrayList<>());
}
}

```

4) Create JwtUtils class

```

@Service
public class JwtUtil {

    private String SECRET_KEY = "secret";

    public String extractUsername(String token) {
        return extractClaim(token, Claims::getSubject);
    }

    public Date extractExpiration(String token) {
        return extractClaim(token, Claims::getExpiration);
    }

    public <T> T extractClaim(String token, Function<Claims, T> claimsResolver) {
        final Claims claims = extractAllClaims(token);
        return claimsResolver.apply(claims);
    }

    private Claims extractAllClaims(String token) {
        return Jwts.parser().setSigningKey(SECRET_KEY).parseClaimsJws(token).getBody();
    }

    private Boolean isTokenExpired(String token) {
        return extractExpiration(token).before(new Date());
    }

    public String generateToken(UserDetails userDetails) {
        Map<String, Object> claims = new HashMap<>();
        return createToken(claims, userDetails.getUsername());
    }

    private String createToken(Map<String, Object> claims, String subject) {

        return Jwts.builder()
            .setClaims(claims)
            .setSubject(subject)
            .setIssuedAt(new Date(System.currentTimeMillis()))
            .setExpiration(new Date(System.currentTimeMillis() + 1000 * 60 * 60 * 10))
            .signWith(SignatureAlgorithm.HS256, SECRET_KEY)
            .compact();
    }

    public Boolean validateToken(String token, UserDetails userDetails) {
        final String username = extractUsername(token);
        return (username.equals(userDetails.getUsername()) && !isTokenExpired(token));
    }
}

```

5) Create Filter class

```

@Component
public class JwtRequestFilter extends OncePerRequestFilter {

```

```

@Autowired
private MyUserDetailsService userDetailsService;

@Autowired
private JwtUtil jwtUtil;

@Override
protected void doFilterInternal(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response,
FilterChain chain)
    throws ServletException, IOException {

    final String authorizationHeader = request.getHeader("Authorization");

    String username = null;
    String jwt = null;

    if (authorizationHeader != null && authorizationHeader.startsWith("Bearer ")) {
        jwt = authorizationHeader.substring(7);
        username = jwtUtil.extractUsername(jwt);
    }

    if (username != null && SecurityContextHolder.getContext().getAuthentication() == null) {

        UserDetails userDetails = this.userDetailsService.loadUserByUsername(username);

        if (jwtUtil.validateToken(jwt, userDetails)) {

            UsernamePasswordAuthenticationToken usernamePasswordAuthenticationToken = new
UsernamePasswordAuthenticationToken(
                userDetails, null, userDetails.getAuthorities());
            usernamePasswordAuthenticationToken
                .setDetails(new WebAuthenticationDetailsSource().buildDetails(request));

            SecurityContextHolder.getContext().setAuthentication(usernamePasswordAuthenticationToken);
        }
        chain.doFilter(request, response);
    }
}

```

```

=====
6) Create WebSecurity Config class
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```

```

package com.ashokit.security;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.AuthenticationManager;
import
org.springframework.security.config.annotation.authentication.builders.AuthenticationManagerBuilder;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.builders.HttpSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.EnableWebSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.WebSecurityConfigurerAdapter;
import org.springframework.security.config.http.SessionCreationPolicy;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.crypto.bcrypt.BCryptPasswordEncoder;
import org.springframework.security.crypto.password.PasswordEncoder;
import org.springframework.security.web.authentication.UsernamePasswordAuthenticationFilter;

import com.ashokit.filters.JwtRequestFilter;

```

```

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class WebSecurityConfig extends WebSecurityConfigurerAdapter {

    @Autowired
    private UserDetailsService myUserDetailsService;

    @Autowired
    private JwtRequestFilter jwtRequestFilter;

    @Autowired
    public void configureGlobal(AuthenticationManagerBuilder auth) throws Exception {
        auth.userDetailsService(myUserDetailsService);
    }

    @Bean
    public PasswordEncoder passwordEncoder() {
        return new BCryptPasswordEncoder();
    }

    @Override
    @Bean
    public AuthenticationManager authenticationManagerBean() throws Exception {
        return super.authenticationManagerBean();
    }

    @Override
    protected void configure(HttpSecurity httpSecurity) throws Exception {
        httpSecurity.csrf()
            .disable()
            .authorizeRequests()
            .antMatchers("/authenticate")
            .permitAll()
            .anyRequest()
            .authenticated()
            .and()
            .exceptionHandling()
            .and()
            .sessionManagement()
            .sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS);

        httpSecurity.addFilterBefore(jwtRequestFilter,
UsernamePasswordAuthenticationFilter.class);
    }
}

```

```

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7) create Rest Controller class
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```

```

package com.ashokit.rest;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.http.ResponseEntity;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.AuthenticationManager;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.BadCredentialsException;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.UsernamePasswordAuthenticationToken;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RequestBody;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RequestMapping;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RequestMethod;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RestController;

import com.ashokit.models.AuthenticationRequest;
import com.ashokit.models.AuthenticationResponse;

```

```

import com.ashokit.security.MyUserDetailsService;
import com.ashokit.util.JwtUtil;

@RestController
public class HelloRestController {

    @Autowired
    private AuthenticationManager authenticationManager;

    @Autowired
    private JwtUtil jwtTokenUtil;

    @Autowired
    private MyUserDetailsService userDetailsService;

    @RequestMapping({ "/hello" })
    public String firstPage() {
        return "Hello World";
    }

    @RequestMapping(value = "/authenticate", method = RequestMethod.POST)
    public ResponseEntity<?> createAuthenticationToken(@RequestBody AuthenticationRequest
authenticationRequest)
        throws Exception {

        try {
            authenticationManager.authenticate(new UsernamePasswordAuthenticationToken(
authenticationRequest.getPassword()));
        } catch (BadCredentialsException e) {
            throw new Exception("Incorrect username or password", e);
        }

        final UserDetails userDetails =
userDetailsService.loadUserByUsername(authenticationRequest.getUsername());

        final String jwt = jwtTokenUtil.generateToken(userDetails);

        return ResponseEntity.ok(new AuthenticationResponse(jwt));
    }
}

```

```

=====
8) Run the application and Test it
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```