

JWT Introduction

(JSON Web Token)

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What is JWT

- JSON Web Token (JWT) is an open standard (RFC 7519) that defines a compact and self-contained way for securely transmitting information between parties as a JSON object.
- JWT, or JSON Web Tokens (RFC 7519), is a standard that is mostly used for securing REST APIs.
- JWT is best way to communicate securely between client and server
- **JWT follows stateless authentication mechanism**

When should you use JSON Web Tokens?

- Authorization
- Information Exchange

What is the JSON Web Token structure?

- JSON Web Tokens consist of three parts separated by dots (.), which are:

- Header

```
{  
  "alg": "HS256",  
  "typ": "JWT"  
}
```

xxxxx.yyyyy.zzzzz

- Payload

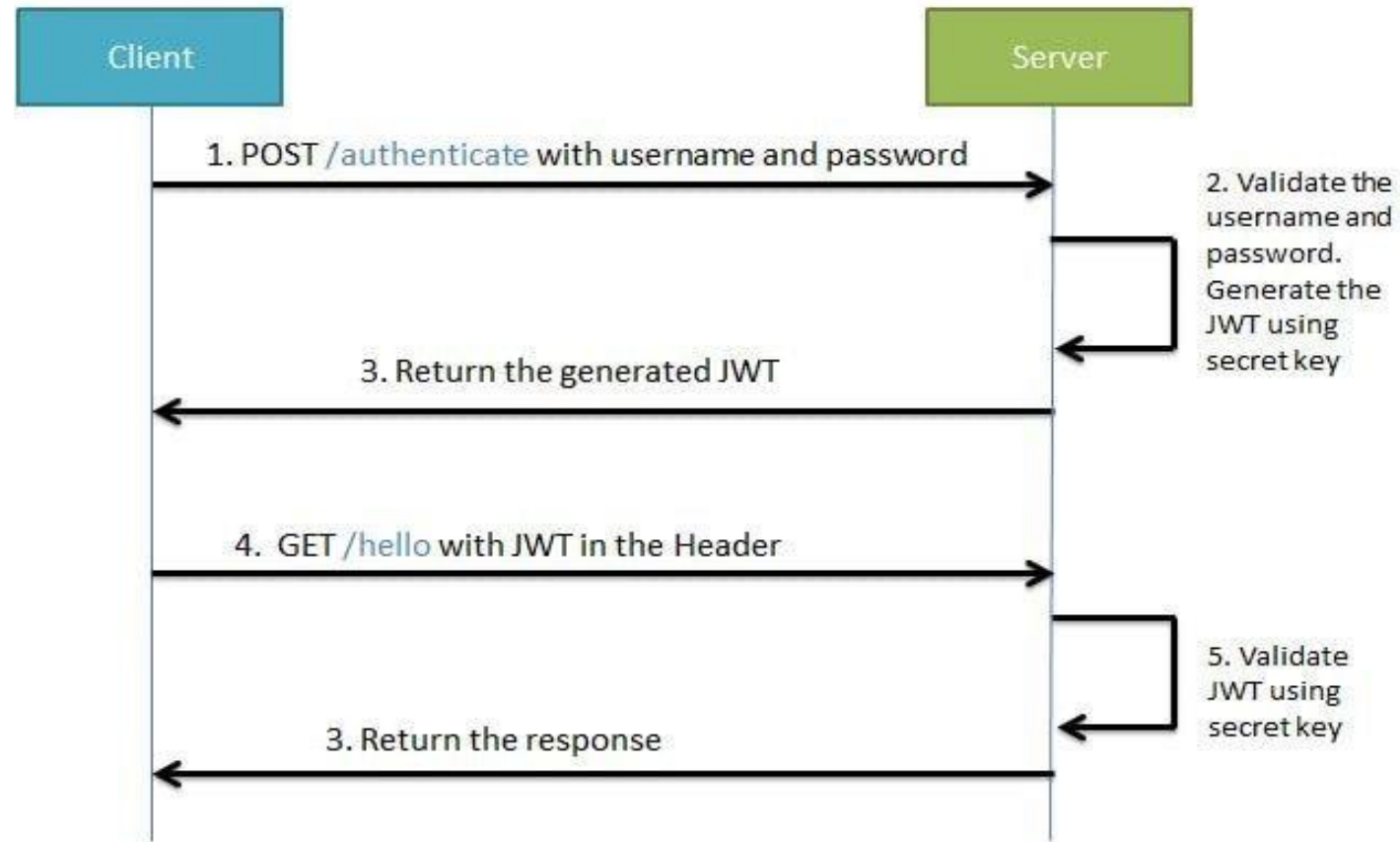
```
{  
  "sub": "1234567890",  
  "name": "John Doe",  
  "admin": true  
}
```

eyJhbGciOiJIUzUxMiJ9.eyJzdWUiOiJhZG1pbkBNbW
FpbC5jb20iLCJpYXQiOiJlY2MTY1NjY5NDksImV4cCI
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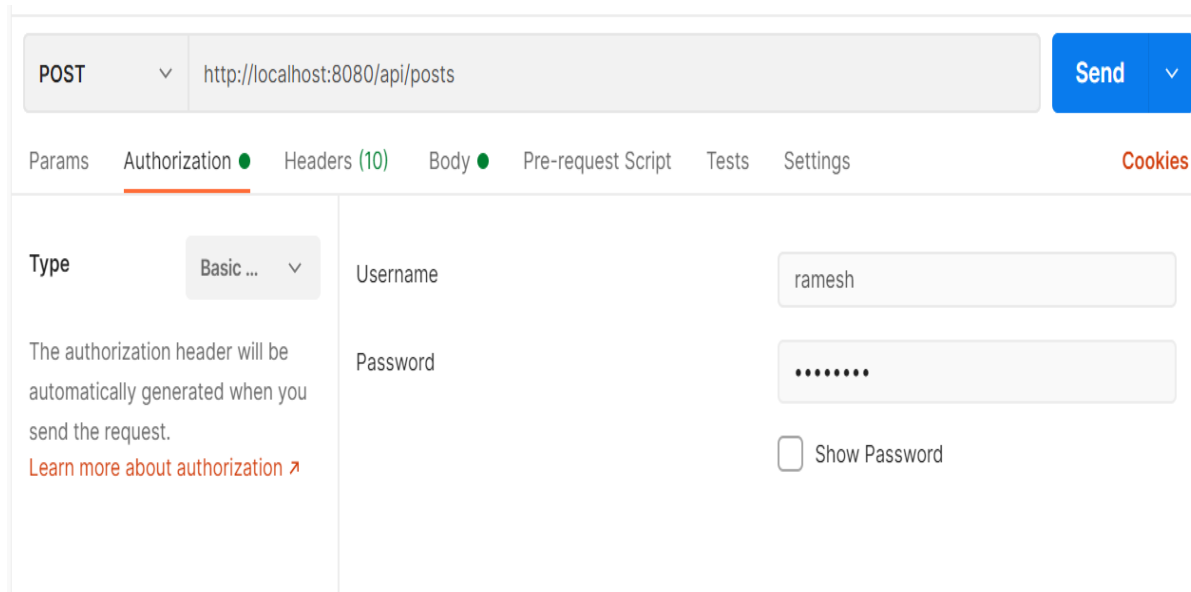
- Signature

```
HMACSHA256(  
base64UrlEncode(header) + "." +  
base64UrlEncode(payload),  
secret)
```

How do JSON Web Tokens work?



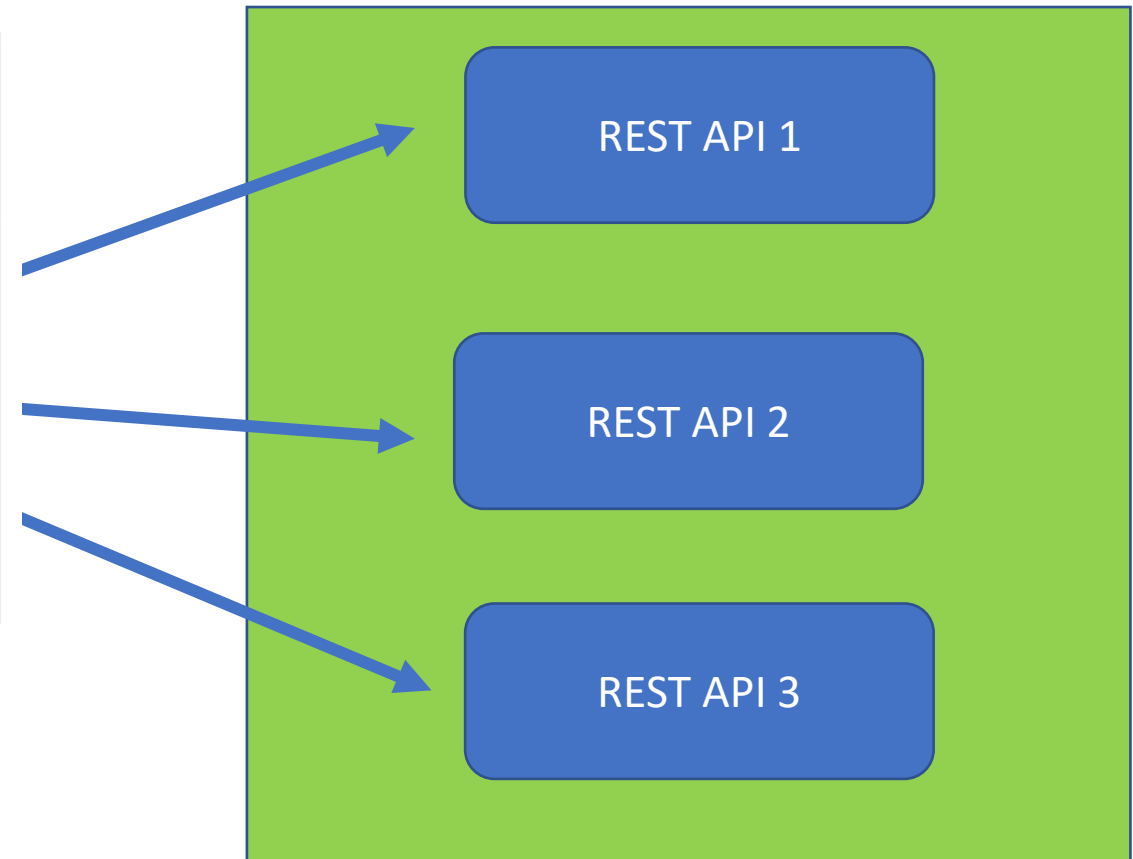
Spring Security Basic Auth



The screenshot shows a REST client interface with the following elements:

- Method:** POST
- URL:** http://localhost:8080/api/posts
- Buttons:** Send
- Tabs:** Params, Authorization (selected), Headers (10), Body, Pre-request Script, Tests, Settings, Cookies
- Authorization Type:** Basic ...
- Username:** ramesh
- Password:** (masked with dots)
- Show Password:** ☐
- Text:** The authorization header will be automatically generated when you send the request. [Learn more about authorization](#)

Spring Boot REST APIs



Development Process

Step 1: Adding JWT Dependency

Step 2: Create JwtAuthenticationEntryPoint

Step 3: Add jwt properties in application.properties file

Step 4: Create JwtTokenProvider

Step 5: JwtAuthenticationFilter

Step 6: Create JWTAuthResponse DTO

Step 7: Configure JWT in Spring Security Configuration

Step 8: Change login/signin API to return token to client

Spring Security + JWT

