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```

+- csdg8 +- auth | +- AuthController.java | +- AuthResource.java | +-
AuthService.java | +- dto | | +- CreateTokenRequest.java | | +- CreateTo-
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Request.java | | +- RefreshAccessTokenResponse.java | +- TokenService.java
+- user | +- dto | | +- CreateUserRequest.java | | +- GetCollectionUser-
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```

User.java | +- UserResource.java | +- UserService.java | ...

\*Snippet of the backend file structure showing its organization by the domains "auth" and "u

To further simplify new features or changes our general class hierarchy is as follows

1. Resource
2. Controller
3. Service
4. Business Logic

The resource classes only have direct interaction with a single controller in the same domain

Another feature of this model is our separation of DTOs from implementation classes. None of

A further improvement to this structure would be, in the same vein as our DTOs, shielding the

#### Security Implementation

\*quarkus security with rolesallowed, 401 vs 403.\*

To secure our API we use Quarkus Security Jakarta Persistence. Our User entity's variables h

```
```java
@Entity
@Table(name = "app-user")
@UserDefinition
public class User extends PanacheEntity {

    @Username
    public String username;

    @Password
    public String password;

    @Roles
    public Set<String> role;

    //...
}
```

The `@UserDefinition` tells our application that this entity is a source of identity information, whilst the accompanying `@Username` indicates that this field is a username, the `@Password` indicates that this field is a hashed password and finally the `@Roles` indicates that this field is a collection (a `Set` in our case to force unique roles) of roles.

To secure a specific endpoint we use the `@RolesAllowed` annotation with a

single or multiple specified roles. In the following example users accessing the `/auth/token/refresh` endpoint must have either the “user” or “admin” role.

```
@POST
@RolesAllowed({ "user", "admin" })
@Path("/token/refresh")
@Consumes(MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON)
public Entity refreshAccessToken(RefreshAccessTokenRequest request) throws Siren4JException
    //...
}
```

*Simplified endpoint which uses the `@RolesAllowed` annotation to limit access.*

The annotation can also be used for more fine-grained control on service methods if a part of the application must be extra secure, however we have not utilized this functionality yet.

**JWT Authentication** For authentication we decided to roll our own JWT tokens via the MicroProfile JWT RBAC specification. Quarkus conveniently provides a library for this named `quarkus-smallrye-jwt`. In short, a JWT token is a server provided signed token which anyone can verify was signed by the server, meaning the contents and access which it grants are valid. To accomplish this JWT tokens are signed with a *private key* by the server and can be verified with the linked *public key*. Contrary to a regular encrypted transaction where the *public key* signs some data which can then only be unlocked with the *private key*. In our self-rolled JWT implementation, when a registered user sends their username and password in a POST request to the `/auth/token` endpoint, the credentials are validated and a JWT token is generated via the *private key*.

```
public String generateAccessToken(User user) {
    return Jwt.issuer(this.issuer)
        .upn(user.getUsername())
        .subject(user.id.toString())
        .groups(user.getRole())
        .expiresIn(Duration.ofMinutes(5))
        .sign();
}
```

*Our self-rolled JWT token generation.*

Of note here is the `upn` which is our main unique ID in our JWT tokens, but we also have a `subject` claim which we use to identify a user in our backend.

Once the JWT token is generated and signed it is returned to the user. When the user then sends a request to a locked endpoint (recall the `@RolesAllowed` annotation) the token is automatically verified by the Quarkus framework with the *public key* and verified if it was actually signed by the server. If it is valid and if the user has the required roles the request may proceed.

As mentioned earlier we utilize a access-token (JWT) and refresh-token pair. With the access-token being short-lived and the refresh-token being long lived. The refresh-token is a simple generated UUID and the backend keeps track of which UUIDs it generates. A future improvement will be storing the list of these generated UUIDs in persistent storage instead of in-memory as it is now. If the server terminates for whatever reason the list of valid refresh-tokens is lost and all users must re-login to get a new refresh-token. The access-token should not be persisted as it is assumed, because it is cryptographically signed, that it is always valid if it is not expired. To re-emphasize, a JWT token can only come from the server as it is the only one with the *private key*.

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