





Ngelmak-Project — API Gateway Microservice

The **Ngelmak-Project API Gateway** is the entrypoint to the Ngelmak microservices ecosystem. It is built with **Spring Cloud Gateway (WebFlux)** and provides:

-  **JWT validation** using **JJWT** before forwarding requests to downstream services
 -  **Vault integration** to securely fetch the JWT secret key
 - ⚡ Reactive, non-blocking routing powered by Spring WebFlux
 - ⚙️ Developer-friendly features like hot reload via Spring Boot DevTools
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Dependencies

Key dependencies used in this project:

- **Spring Cloud Gateway WebFlux**

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.springframework.cloud</groupId>
  <artifactId>spring-cloud-starter-gateway-server-
webflux</artifactId>
</dependency>
```

- **JJWT (JSON Web Token)**
 - **jjwt-api** — Core API for JWT creation & parsing
 - **jjwt-impl** — Implementation of JWT API
 - **jjwt-jackson** — JSON serialization/deserialization support
 - **Spring Boot DevTools** — Hot reload & auto restart during development
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Features



JWT Validation

- Incoming requests must include a valid **Authorization: Bearer <token>** header.
- Tokens are validated using JJWT.
- If valid, user claims are forwarded downstream via custom headers:
 - **X-User-Username**
 - **X-User-Roles**



Vault Integration

- JWT secret key is securely fetched from **HashiCorp Vault**.
 - Configured with **AppRole authentication**:
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```
cloud:
  vault:
    uri: http://localhost:8200
    authentication: approle
    app-role:
      role-id: ${VAULT_ROLE_ID}
      secret-id: ${VAULT_SECRET_ID}
    kv:
      enabled: true
      backend: secret
      default-context: jjwt
```

🌐 Routing

Defined routes include:

- **Auth Service (Public)**
 - `/api/auth/authenticate`
 - `/api/auth/register`
 - No JWT required
- **Auth Service (Protected)**
 - `/api/auth/**`
 - Requires JWT validation
- **Truthline Core Service (Protected)**
 - `/api/truthline-core/**`
 - Requires JWT validation

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Getting Started

Prerequisites

- Java 17+
- Maven 3.8+
- Running instance of **Vault** (<http://localhost:8200>)
- Downstream services:
 - Auth Service (<http://localhost:4041>)
 - Truthline Core Service (<http://localhost:4042>)

Run Locally

```
mvn spring-boot:run
```

Example Request

```
curl -X GET http://localhost:8080/api/truthline-core/data \
-H "Authorization: Bearer <your-jwt-token>"
```

🛡️ Error Handling

- **401 Unauthorized** — Missing or invalid JWT
- **403 Forbidden** — Token valid but insufficient permissions
- **500 Internal Server Error** — Vault or downstream service issues

📁 Project Structure

```
Ngelmak-Project/
├── src/main/java/.../gateway
│   ├── JwtFilter.java      # Custom JWT validation filter
│   ├── RouteConfig.java    # Route definitions
│   └── JwtUtil.java        # JWT utility class
├── src/main/resources/
│   └── application.yml     # Vault + Gateway configuration
└── pom.xml                 # Dependencies
```

👤 Development Notes

- Use **Spring Boot DevTools** for hot reload during development.
- Logging filters can be added for debugging:

```
.filter(new LoggingGatewayFilter())
```

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