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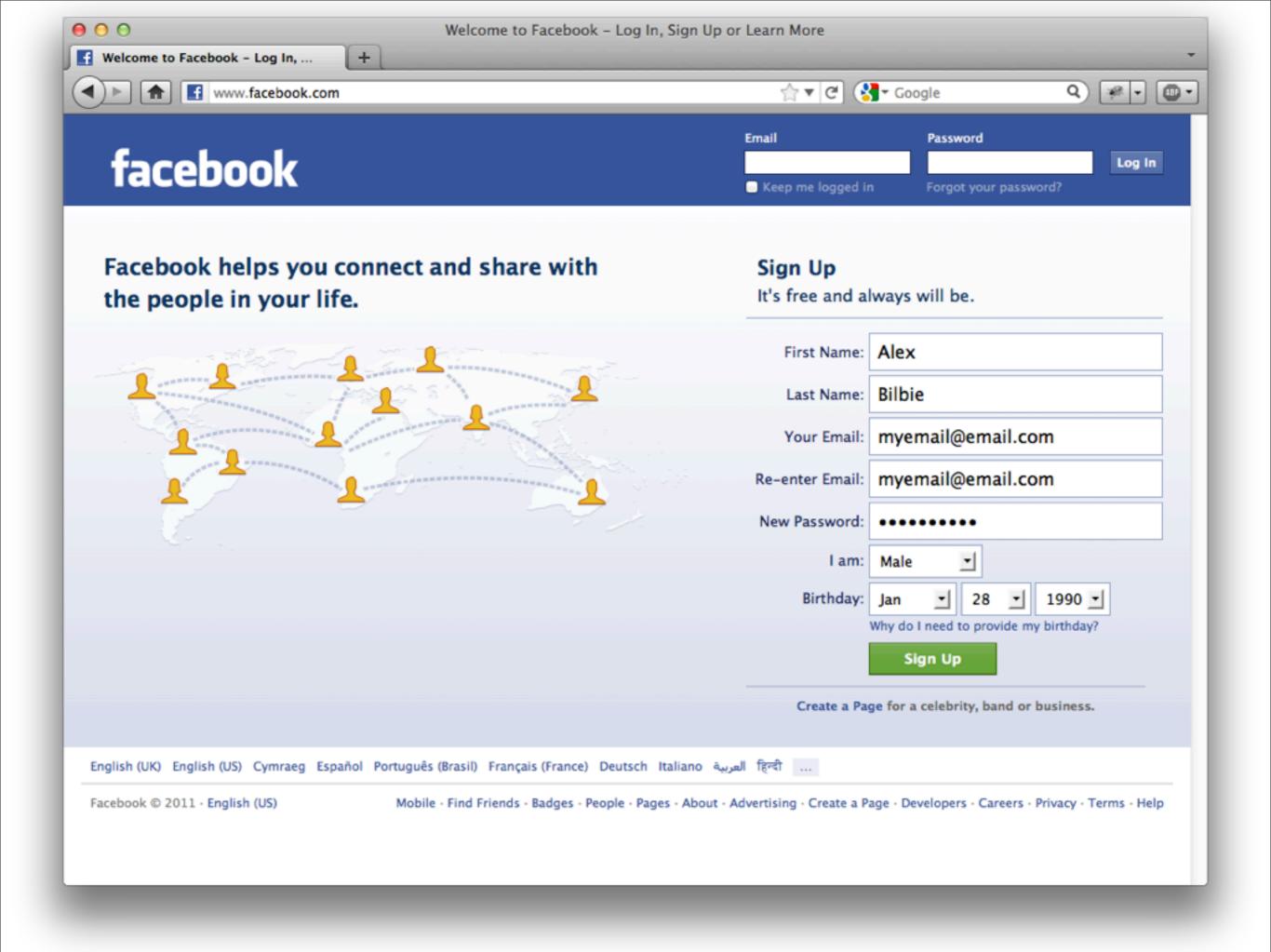
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Story time!

l'm a user of a web service

I own resources on the web service

For example, personal details



These resources¹ are stored on a resource server ²

- I. personal details
- 2. facebook.com

The resource server exposes user resources over an API

I visit a 3rd party web application

The 3rd party web app is called a client

The client¹ wants to use my resources²

- 1. 3rd party web app
- 2. personal details

But the resource server's API requires user authorisation

How?

Give the client my password

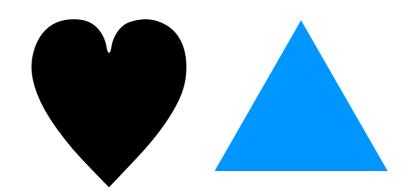
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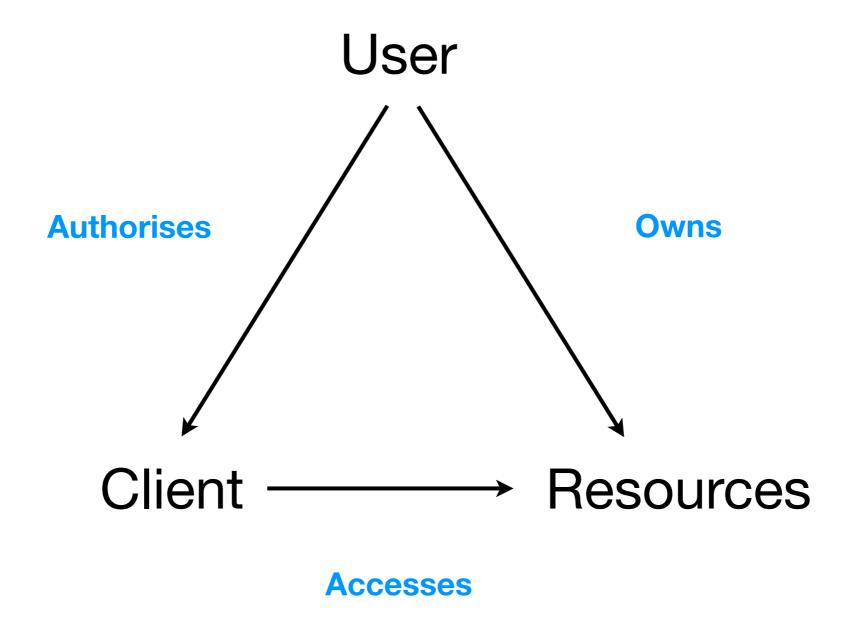
So what then?



"An open protocol to allow secure API authorisation in a simple and standard method from desktop and web applications."

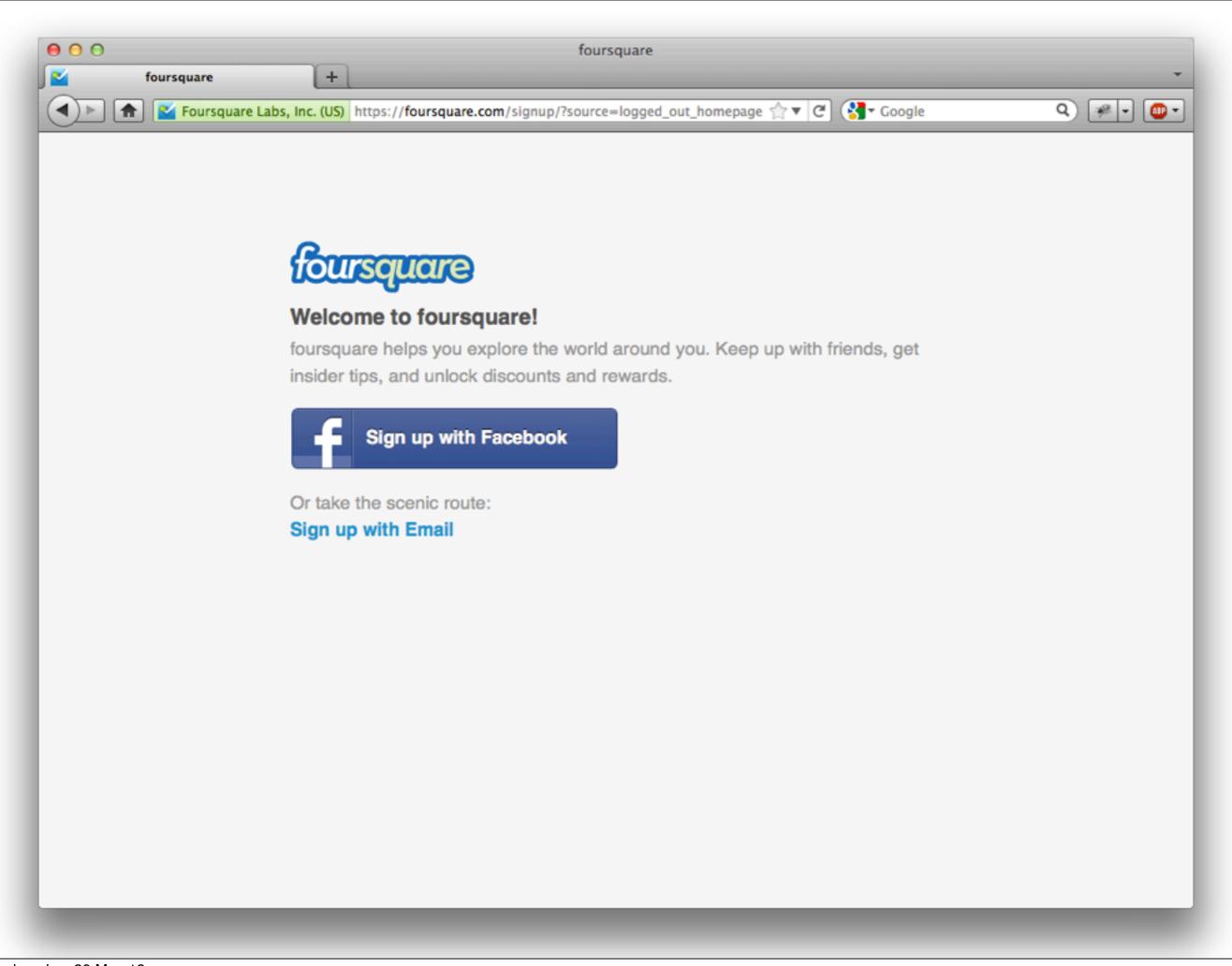
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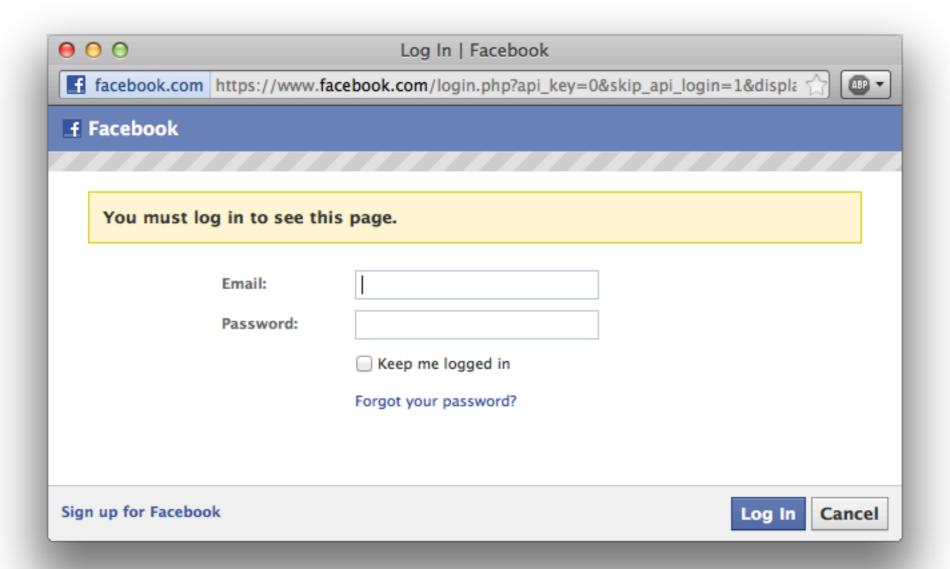




User clicks "sign in" in the client application

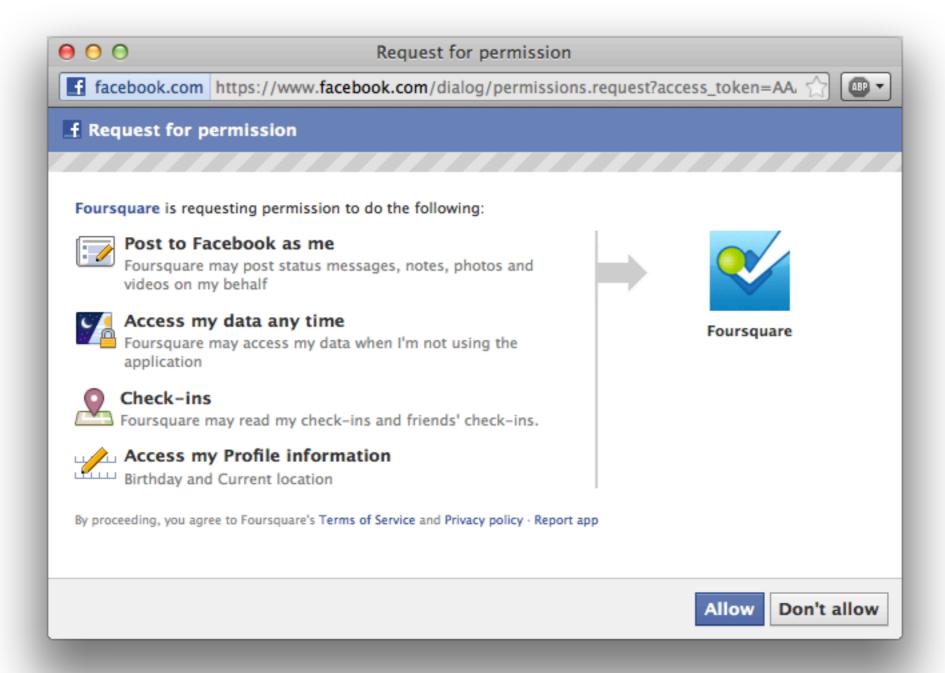


The user is redirected to the resource server and asked to sign in



```
GET /authorise?
response_type=code&client_id=12345&redirect_uri=
http://client.tld/
redirect&scope=name,email,birthday HTTP/1.1
Host: resource-server.tld
```

The resource server clearly tells the user the specific data the client wants to access



User authorises the application and is redirected back to client with a authorisation code in the query string

HTTP/1.1 302 Found

Location: http://client.tld/redirect?code=78dsf9sudfo9s

Client exchanges the authorisation code for an access token

POST /token HTTP/1.1

Host: resource-server.tld

Content-type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

code=78dsf9sudfo9s&client_id=12345&client_secret
=12345&redirect uri=http://client.tld/redirect

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-type: application/json
{
    access_token: "aLKJHskjhda8s13jsi9sis",
    valid_until: 1320759526
}
```

The access token can then be used as authorisation by the client to access the specified resources for a specific length of time



No password sharing



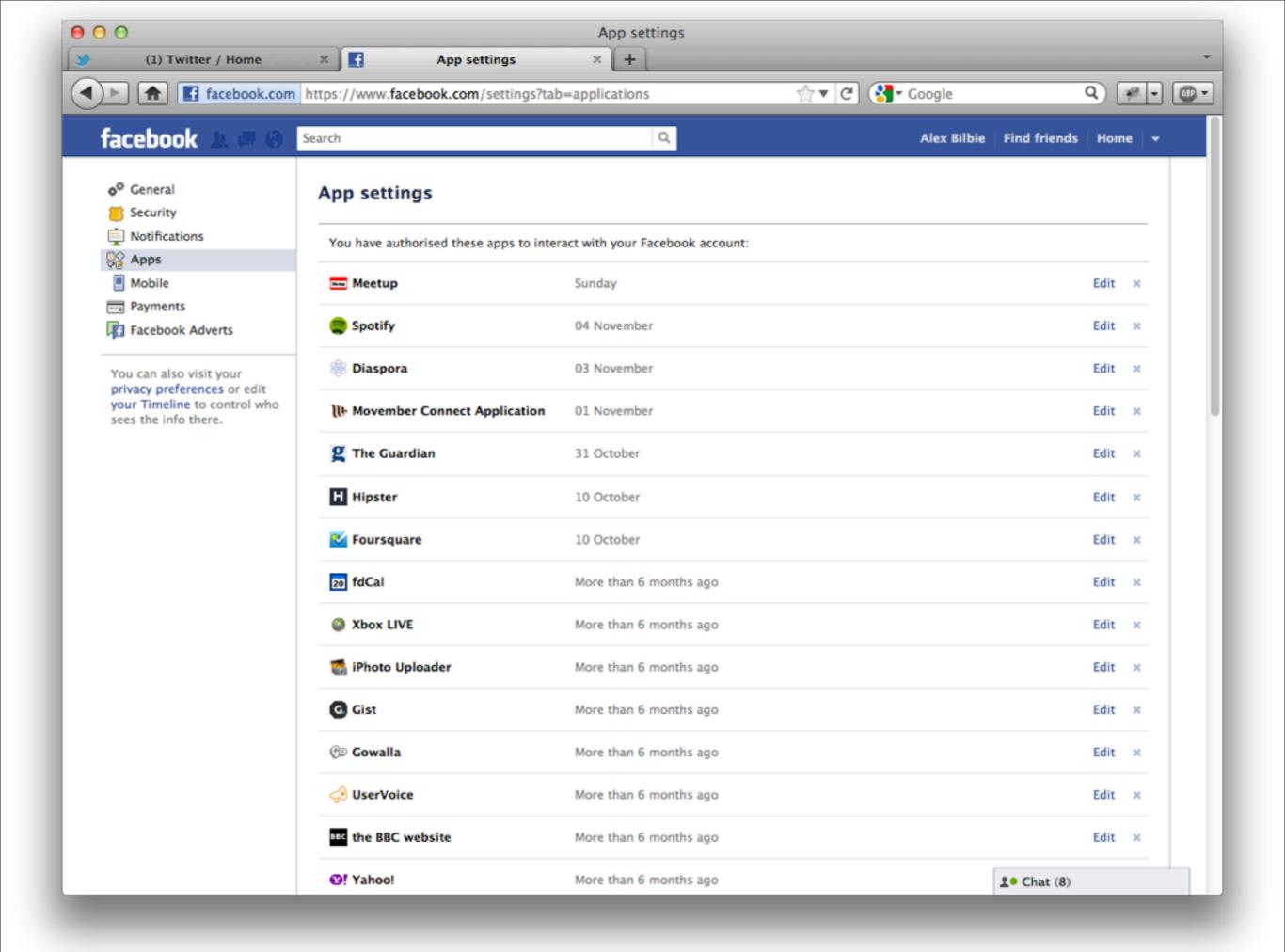
<- Happy security conscious user

Developers just need to implement a redirect and a POST request



<- Happy developers

Users can revoke access tokens for specific clients



Nefarious clients can have their credentials revoked and all associated access tokens destroyed immediately





Currently version 1.0a

Incn.eu/giy

Version 2.0 is almost finished

Incn.eu/bkw

OAuth 2.0

- Simpler
- Requires all communication over SSL
- New flows
- Better UX

Who's using OAuth?

Google

YAHOO!

Microsoft®

foursquare

twitter









YAHOO!

twitter

github SOCIAL CODING

Microsoft[®]







v1.0a and v2.0

v1.0a

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And in HE?

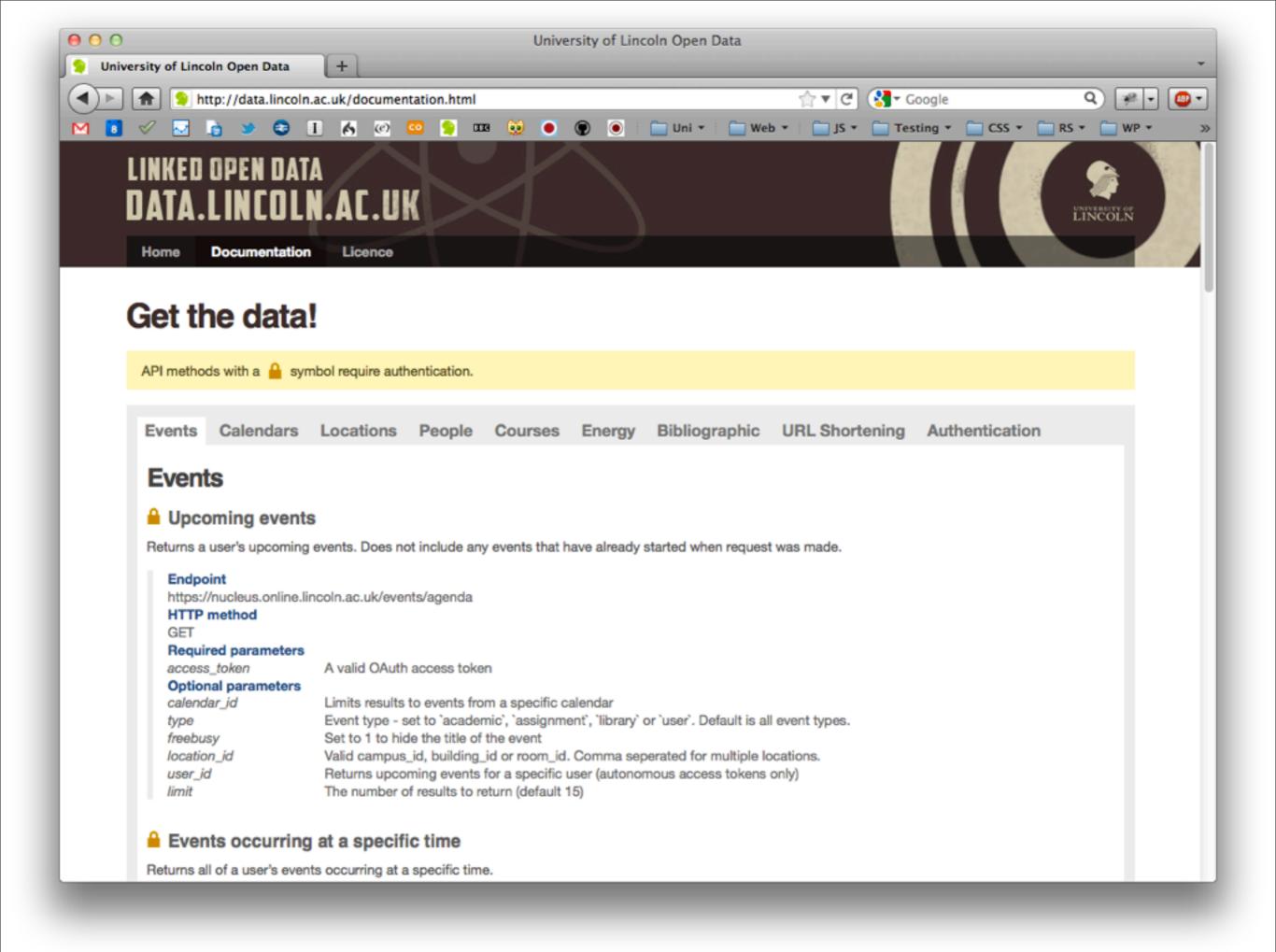








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Internal and external authorisation

Single Sign-On

Blackboard (SAML)

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Get Satisfaction (OAuth)

WordPress (OAuth)

Exchange (ADFS)

Sharepoint (ADFS)

Gmail (SAML)

+ OAuth clients (internal + external)

Open source 2.0 server

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Any questions?

Thank you

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