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Securing CA Plex Web Apps

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Exercise One

In this exercise we'll start with a new configuration of Keycloak and set up a Realm, a Client, Users and Roles.

Feel free to explore the features of Keycloak by visiting different menu options in the Web UI. Get familiar with the layout and options.

We will be using the same VM, model and exercise as the Web Technology Workshop.

Start KeyCloak

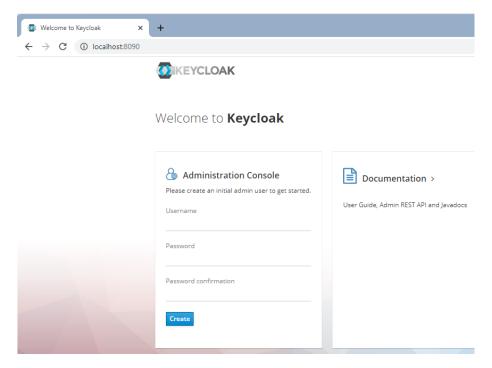
Navigate to C:\Conference 2023 Workshops and double-click on the startKeycloak.bat file

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C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd. X
C:\Conference 2023 Workshops>.\keycloak-21.0.2\bin\kc.bat start-dev --http-port=8090
2023-04-29 11:50:33,063 INFO [org.keycloak.quarkus.runtime.hostname.DefaultHostnameProvider] (main) Hostname settings:
Base URL: <unset>, Hostname: <request>, Strict HTTPS: false, Path: <request>, Strict BackChannel: false, Admin URL: <uns
et>, Admin: <request>, Port: -1, Proxied: false
2023-04-29 11:50:34,275 WARN [io.quarkus.agroal.runtime.DataSources] (main) Datasource <default> enables XA but transac
tion recovery is not enabled. Please enable transaction recovery by setting quarkus.transaction-manager.enable-recovery=true, otherwise data may be lost if the application is terminated abruptly
2023-04-29 11:50:35,454 WARN [org.infinispan.PERSISTENCE] (keycloak-cache-init) ISPN000554: jboss-marshalling is deprec
ated and planned for removal
2023-04-29 11:50:35,507 WARN [org.infinispan.CONFIG] (keycloak-cache-init) ISPN000569: Unable to persist Infinispan int
ernal caches as no global state enabled
2023-04-29 11:50:35,535 INFO [org.infinispan.CONTAINER] (keycloak-cache-init) ISPN000556: Starting user marshaller 'org
.infinispan.jboss.marshalling.core.JBossUserMarshaller'
2023-04-29 11:50:39,193 INFO [org.keycloak.broker.provider.AbstractIdentityProviderMapper] (main) Registering class org
.keycloak.broker.provider.mappersync.ConfigSyncEventListener
2023-04-29 11:50:39,375 INFO [org.keycloak.connections.infinispan.DefaultInfinispanConnectionProviderFactory] (main) No
de name: node_480562, Site name: null
2023-04-29 11:50:40,524 INFO [io.quarkus] (main) Keycloak 21.0.2 on JVM (powered by Quarkus 2.13.7.Final) started in 9.
207s. Listening on: http://0.0.0.0:8090
2023-04-29 11:50:40,525 INFO [io.quarkus] (main) Profile dev activated.
2023-04-29 11:50:40,525 INFO [io.quarkus] (main) Installed features: [agroal, cdi, hibernate-orm, jdbc-h2, jdbc-mariadb
, jdbc-mssql, jdbc-mysql, jdbc-oracle, jdbc-postgresql, keycloak, logging-gelf, micrometer, narayana-jta, reactive-route s, resteasy, resteasy-jackson, smallrye-context-propagation, smallrye-health, vertx]
2023-04-29 11:50:40,528 WARN [org.keycloak.quarkus.runtime.KeycloakMain] (main) Running the server in development mode.
 DO NOT use this configuration in production.
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This instance of Keycloak is configured to run on port 8090, and the Web UI can be accessed at http://localhost:8090/

Create Keycloak Administrator

Open site http://localhost:8090/ in the browser.



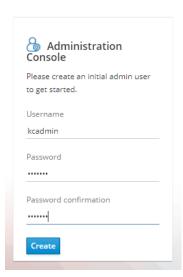
The first time you run the site no administrator exists. So create one by entering the following:

Username: kcadmin

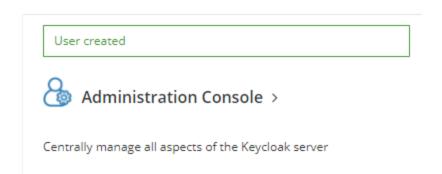
Password: kcadmin

Password confirmation: kcadmin

(Note: it's not good practice to have the same user & password, this is only for convenience for the workshop)

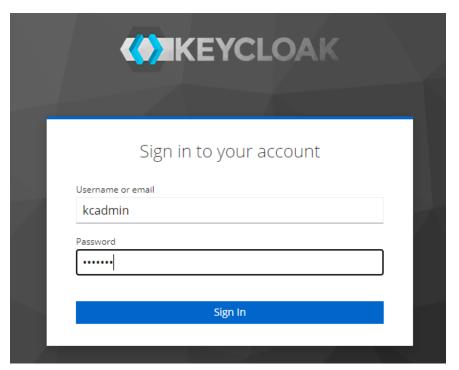


Welcome to **Keycloak**



Now that the user has been created, you can sign on.

Click on "Administration Console >" and enter the user & password.

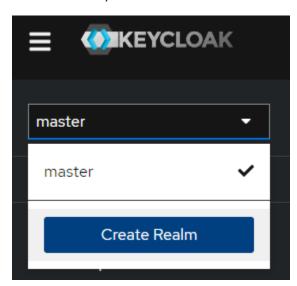


Create "SecurityWorkshop2023" Realm

In Keycloak, a realm is a container for a set of users, applications, and security configurations. A realm defines a boundary for authentication and authorization of its users and clients, providing a secure environment for the components within it.

When a user logs in to Keycloak, they log in to a specific realm. Each realm has its own set of users, roles, clients, and other security components. By creating multiple realms, it's possible to separate different applications or user groups from each other, each with its own authentication and authorization rules.

By default, Keycloak provides a 'master' realm. We'll create a new realm by clicking on the dropdown next to 'master', then click on the 'Create Realm' button.



Name the domain "SecurityWorkshop2023" and press Create.

Create realm

A realm manages a set of users, credentials, roles, and groups. A user belong

Resource file	Drag a file here or browse to upload
	1
	Upload a JSON file
Realm name *	SecurityWorkshop2023
Enabled	On
	Create Cancel



Welcome to SecurityWorkshop2023

If you want to leave this page and manage this realm, please click the corresponding menu items in the left navigation bar.

Create Client for Web Store

In the context of the Keycloak identity and access management system, a client is a representation of a web application or service that wants to use Keycloak for authentication and authorization.

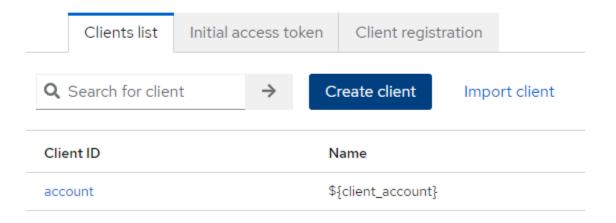
A Keycloak client defines a set of configuration options and settings that allow the application to interact with Keycloak in a secure way. These options include things like the client ID, client secret, redirect URIs, authentication flow, and security settings.

Once a client is registered in Keycloak, it can obtain access tokens and refresh tokens that can be used to authenticate and authorize requests to protected resources. The client can also interact with Keycloak's APIs to perform various tasks, such as registering new users, managing roles and permissions, and revoking tokens.

We are going to create a client named 'webstore' to control access to our web application.

Clients

Clients are applications and services that can request authentication of a use

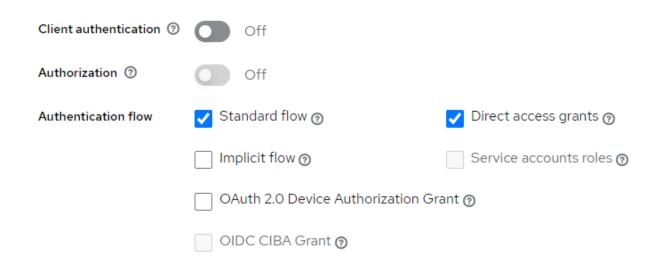


Client type ③	OpenID Connect
Client ID * ③	WebStore
Name ③	WebStore
Description ③	Conference 2023 Product Store web application
Always display in UI ⑦	Off

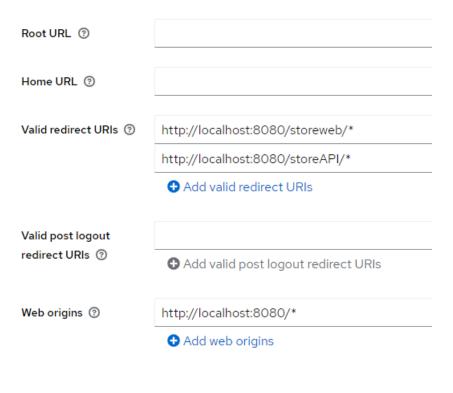
Set ClientID and Name to WebStore. Click on '?' to learn what any setting is.

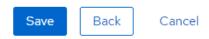
Click 'Next'

Leave every other option as its default value.



Click 'Next'





In Keycloak, redirect URLs are used to define where the user should be redirected after authentication or logout. These URLs can be set at the client level or globally for a realm.

When a user tries to access a protected resource on a client application that requires authentication, the application will redirect the user to the Keycloak server login page. After the user logs in successfully, Keycloak will redirect the user back to the original URL requested by the application.

Redirect URLs are also used for logout. When a user logs out of a client application, the application will redirect the user to the Keycloak server logout page. After the user is successfully logged out, Keycloak will redirect the user back to the URL specified by the application.

Redirect URLs can be configured to include query parameters and other information, allowing for a more customized user experience.

We have 2 applications to secure, 'storeweb' and 'storeAPI'.

Add the following URLs to the 'Valid redirect URIs' value'

- http://localhost:8080/storeweb/*
- http://localhost:8080/storeAPI/*

Web origins are URLs from which requests to the Keycloak server can be made. When a client application redirects a user to the Keycloak server for authentication or authorization, Keycloak will only redirect the user back to URLs that are listed as valid redirect URLs or web origins for that client. This is an important security measure to prevent unauthorized access to client applications.

Set the web origin to http://localhost:8080/*

Click 'Save'.

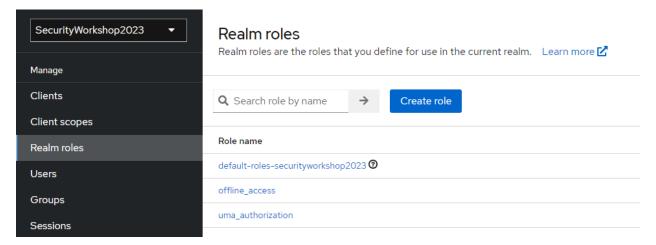
Create Roles

We want to control access to various resources within our web applications. For example, if we have a web application that allows someone to edit an employee's salary, we would only want certain members of the HR Department to access that. We can control that by assigning 'Roles', in this case we could create a role named 'HR Administrator' and assign it to certain users. We can then configure our web application to only allow users with specific roles to access specific resources.

In Keycloak, there are two types of roles: realm roles and client roles. Realm roles are global and can be assigned to users across all client applications within the realm. Client roles, on the other hand, are specific to a particular client application within a realm.

Roles can be managed and assigned through the Keycloak Admin Console or through the Keycloak REST API. Once a user or a client application is assigned a role, they inherit the permissions associated with that role. This allows for fine-grained access control and enables administrators to easily manage permissions and access levels for users and client applications.

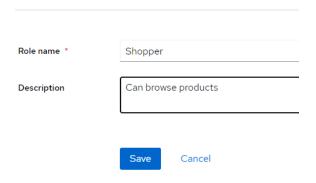
For this exercise, we'll manage our roles from the 'Realm roles' menu option.



We'll create the following roles:

- SiteAdmin Access all
- Shopper Access Products
- Registrant Can register customers and view products.

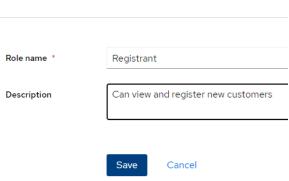
Create role



Enter the details above and click Save.

Realm roles > Create role

Create role



Enter the details above and click Save.

Realm roles > Role details

SiteAdmin

Details Attributes Users in role

Role name SiteAdmin

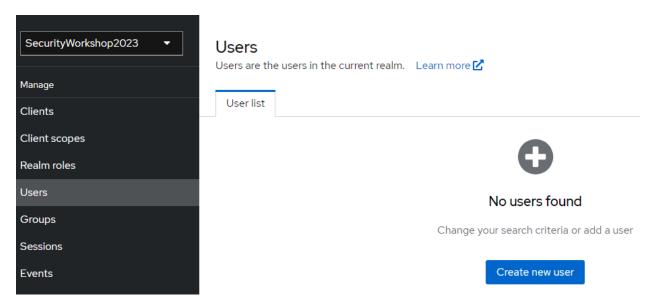
Description Access to the whole site

Enter the details above and click Save.

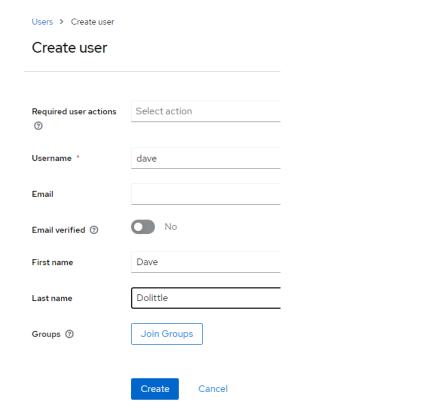
Create Users

Keycloak users can be created manually or imported from external sources, such as LDAP or Active Directory. We'll create some users manually.

Select 'Users' from the menu and select 'Create new user'.

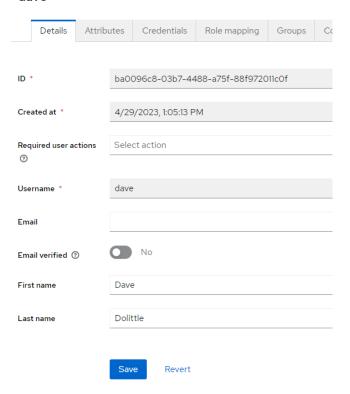


Create the user 'dave' and enter the values below.



You will see the details confirmed. Note that keycloak has assigned an internal ID for the user.

dave



To be able to sign-on, the user needs credentials. We'll assign a password.

dave

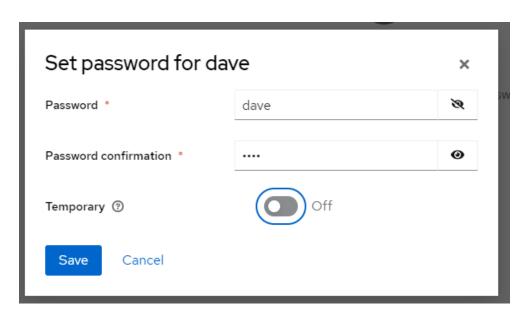




No credentials

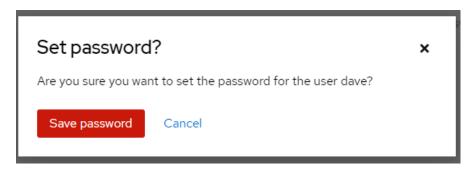
This user does not have any credentials. You can set password for this user.

Set password



To keep things simple for the workshop, set the password to 'dave' as well. (This is *never* recommended in the real world)

Set Temporary to Off to prevent asking to change when signing on.

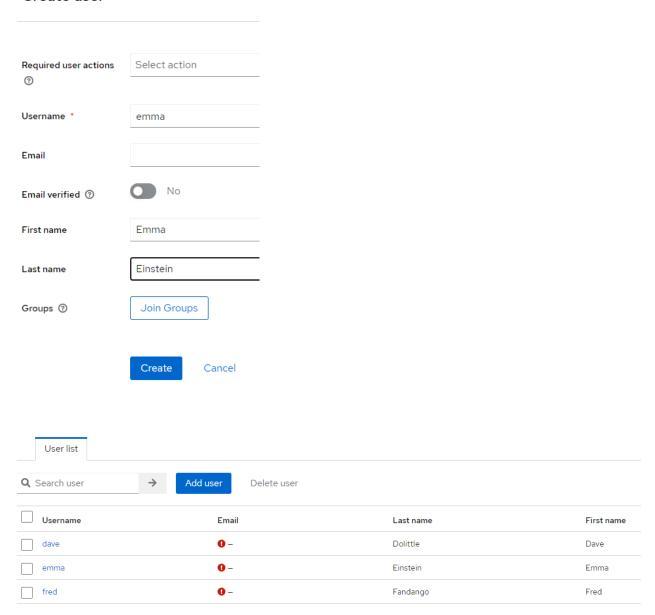


Confirm and save.

Add user 'Emma Einstein' with password 'emma'

Add user 'Fred Fandango' with password 'fred'.

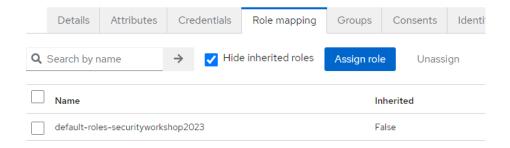
Create user



Assign User Roles

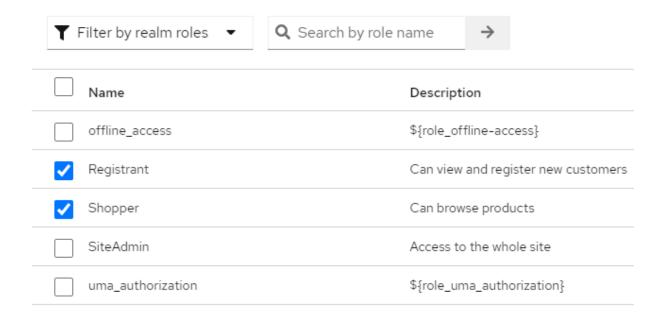
From the user list, click on 'dave', then select 'Role mapping' then 'Assign role'.

dave



Assign role 'Registrant' and 'Shopper'.

Assign roles to dave





Assign role 'SiteAdmin' to Emma.

Assign role 'Shopper' to Fred.

Exercise Two

Prerequisite

- Restore the Security-kcStart.7z snapshot using the instructions here -> Restoring Keycloak Configuration
- (Optional) To skip the exercise, restore the following files:
 - Security-AfterExercise2.7z using the instructions here -> Restoring Snapshots
 - keycloakAfterExercise2.7z using the instructions here -> Restoring Keycloak Configuration

Configure the storeweb application

This approach to configuring Tomcat is being deprecated, but alternative is not available yet.

https://www.keycloak.org/docs/latest/securing apps/# tomcat adapter

On the workshop VM keycloak tomcat adapter has already been installed, so just configure Tomcat to use it.

Open Eclipse by clicking on the icon in the Taskbar -



Create a new file storeweb\src\main\webapp\META-INF\context.xml

```
> 🕅 Deployment Descriptor: storeweb
  > 🎥 Java Resources
  > MayaScript Resources
  > 🗁 build

✓ № main

      > 🐎 java

✓ 

    webapp

        > 🗁 images

✓ IMETA-INF

           X context.xml
            x web.xml
```

Set contents to the following.

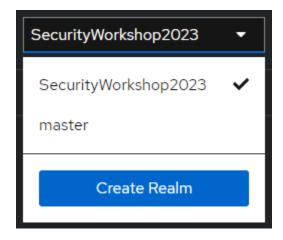
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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
  <Valve className="org.keycloak.adapters.tomcat.KeycloakAuthenticatorValve"/>
</Context>
```

Download Client information

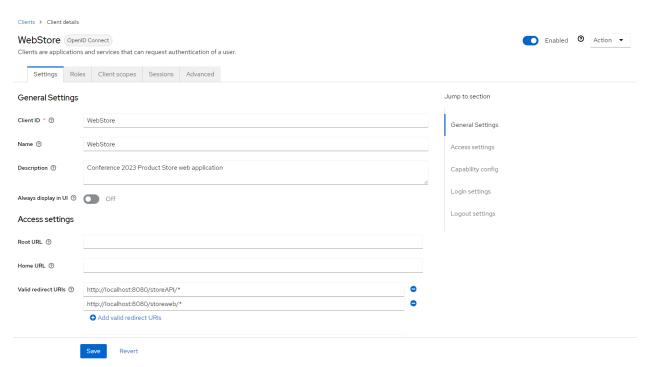
We need information about our keycloak client, so we can authenticate against the users and roles that we have set up. This can be downloaded from Keycloak in a file named keycloak.json

Access the keycloak site http://localhost:8090/admin/master/console/#/SecurityWorkshop2023

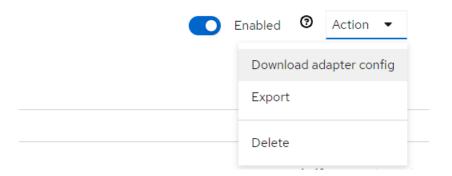
Login as kcadmin and confirm the the Realm is set to 'SecurityWorkshop2023'



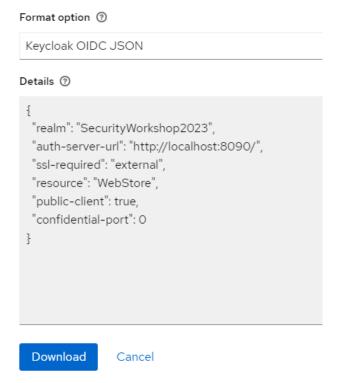
Navigate to your WebStore client in keycloak, you may need to sign in as 'kcadmin' again if the session has expired.



Access the Action -> Download adapter config dropdown.

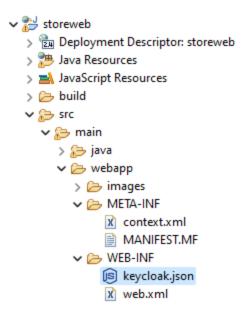


Download adaptor configs



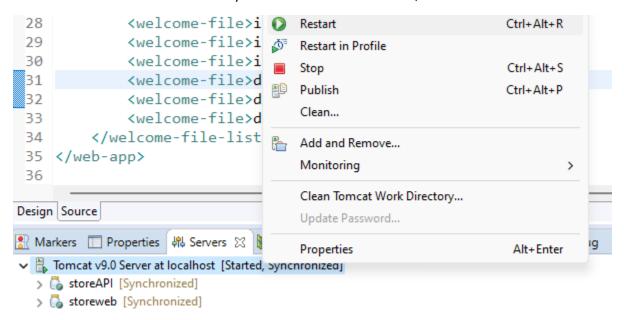
Click 'Download', and save in C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Web Technology\Workspace\storeweb\src\main\webapp\WEB-INF

In Eclipse, press F5 to refresh, and the file should show up there.

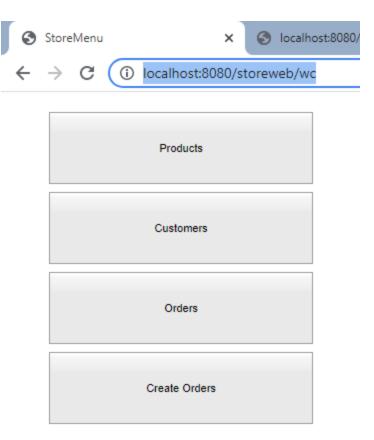


We've now configured Tomcat to use the Keycloak adapter and use our SecurityWorkshop2023 settings.

Let's see if our site has been secured yet. Restart our Tomcat server,



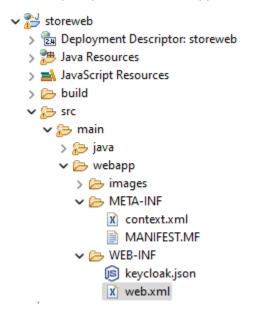
When Tomcat is showing as 'Started', visit the site http://localhost:8080/storeweb/wc



The site loads, just as before. The reason for this is that we haven't specified which resources are secured, and who has access to those resources yet.

Set site Security Constraints

We can specify this in the web application's WEB-INF/web.xml file.



Double-click on the web.xml file to open it in the text editor, and paste the following section between the </welcome-file-list> and </web-app> tags near the end of the file.

Your file should look like this. Save the file with Ctrl+S.

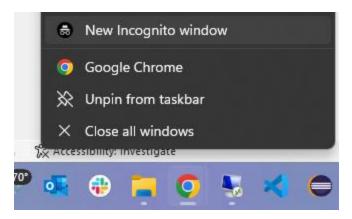
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       </welcome-file-list>
35⊝
       <security-constraint>
36⊝
           <web-resource-collection>
37
                <web-resource-name>storeweb</web-resource-name>
38
                <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
39
           </web-resource-collection>
           <auth-constraint>
40⊝
41
                <role-name>SiteAdmin</role-name>
42
           </auth-constraint>
43
       </security-constraint>
44⊖
       <security-role>
45⊝
               <role-name>SiteAdmin</role-name>
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       </security-role>
47 </web-app>
48
```

This states that the whole 'storeweb' web application is secured, and only available to users with the 'SiteAdmin' role.

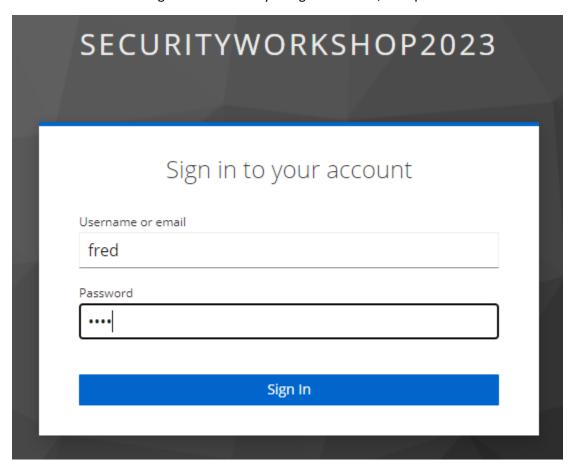
Restart Tomcat in Eclipse.

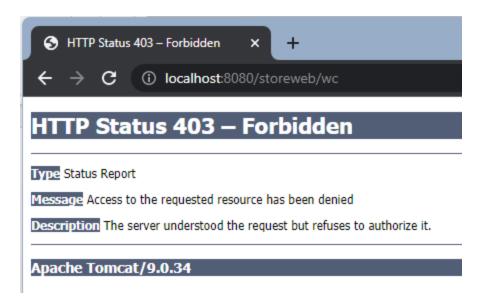
We are going to test the security setting by signing in as a number of different users. Normally, the login information is remembered in a browser cookie, making it more difficult to sign in as someone else. To get around this, we can access the site in 'Incognito Mode'.

Right-click on the Chrome icon in the task bar and select 'New Incognito window', then visit the site http://localhost:8080/storeweb/wc again.



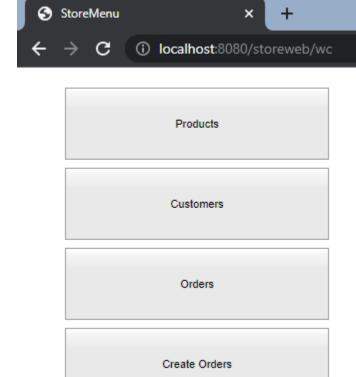
This time we will see a sign-on window. Try to sign in as 'fred', with password 'fred'.





Fred hasn't been assigned the 'SiteAdmin' role, so he doesn't have access to the web application.

Close the browser and restart it in Incognito mode again. Access the site http://localhost:8080/storeweb/wc, this time sign on as 'emma' with password 'emma'. This time she has access to the whole site as the administrator.



Set API Security constraints

In the workspace, we also have an API generated by HSync. This allows a user to access products or customers with the following URLs.

http://localhost:8080/storeAPI/api/v1/products

http://localhost:8080/storeAPI/api/v1/customers

We can configure the API in a similar way to only allow 'Shopper' roles to view products, and 'Registrant' roles to view Customers. We also want users with the SiteAdmin role to view both.

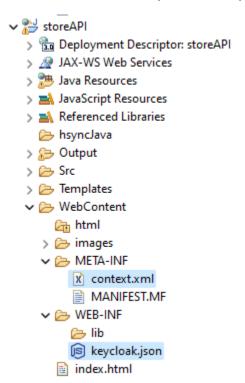
We can copy a couple of the config files we set up in this exercise to the storeAPI project.

Copy file: storeweb\src\main\webapp\META-INF\context.xml

To folder: storeAPI\WebContent\META-INF

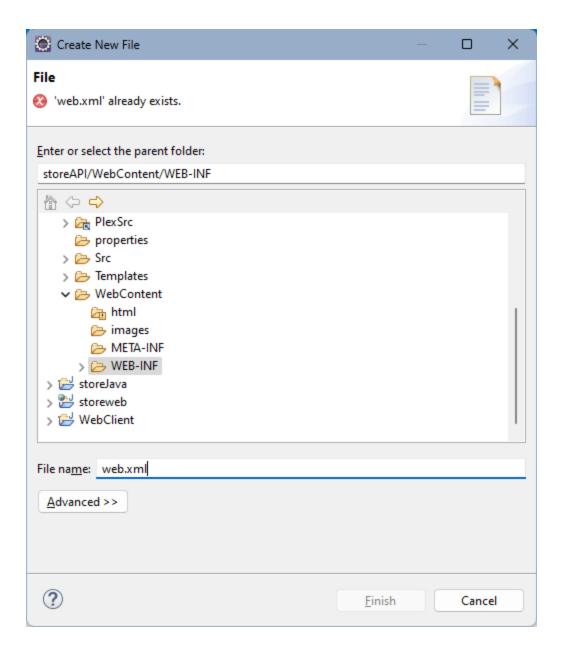
Copy file: storeweb\src\main\webapp\WEB-INF\keycloak.json

To folder: storeAPI\WebContent\WEB-INF



To specify the security constraints, we can add a web.xml file.

Right-click on storeAPI\WebContent\WEB-INF, then select New -> File. Enter the name "web.xml"



Double-click on the new file to edit it, then paste the following XML. This constrains the Products API to users with role 'Shopper' or 'SiteAdmin', and Customers API to users with role 'Registrant' or 'SiteAdmin'.

```
<web-resource-name>storeAPI</web-resource-name>
                <url-pattern>/api/v1/products</url-pattern>
           </web-resource-collection>
           <auth-constraint>
                <role-name>Shopper</role-name>
                <role-name>SiteAdmin</role-name>
           </auth-constraint>
     </security-constraint>
     <security-constraint>
         <web-resource-collection>
           <web-resource-name>storeAPI</web-resource-name>
                <url-pattern>/api/v1/customers</url-pattern>
           </web-resource-collection>
           <auth-constraint>
                <role-name>Registrant</role-name>
                <role-name>SiteAdmin</role-name>
           </auth-constraint>
     </security-constraint>
     <security-role>
           <role-name>SiteAdmin</role-name>
         <role-name>Registrant</role-name>
         <role-name>Shopper</role-name>
     </security-role>
</web-app>
```

Try accessing the APIs as different users.

http://localhost:8080/storeAPI/api/v1/products

http://localhost:8080/storeAPI/api/v1/customers

The expected results are:

- "dave" can access both as he is both a "Shopper" and a "Registrant".
- "emma" can access both as she is a "SiteAdmin"
- "fred" can only access customers, as he is just a "Registrant".

Exercise Three

In this exercise, we are going to use the WebClient Security Model functionality to Control access from ourPlex application.

We will also show how to get user attributes from the currently signed-on user.

Prerequisite

- (Optional) To skip the exercise, restore the following files:
 - Security-AfterExercise3.7z using the instructions here -> Restoring Snapshots
 - keycloakAfterExercise3.7z using the instructions here -> Restoring Keycloak
 Configuration

Set up Plex function

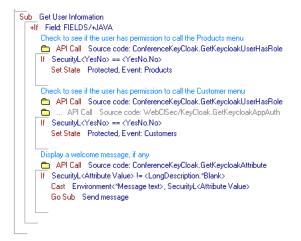
Open C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Web Technology\Plex\store.mdl in Plex

Open the StoreMenu function in the Action Diagram Editor.

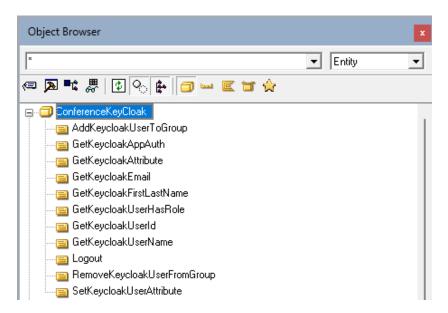


In Post Point Subroutines, create a new subroutine "Sub Get User Information".

The final subroutine will look like this, follow the steps below to explain how to add the code.



In the Object Browser, look for an Entity named 'ConferenceKeyCloak'. This contains several source code objects we can use to work with our KeyCloak setup.



First, we'll check our user roles and enable menu options based on these.

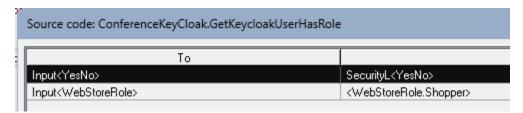
Source code object ConferenceKeyCloak.GetKeycloakUserHasRole allows us to check if the User is assigned a specific role.

Add the statement API Call Source code: ConferenceKeyCloak.GetKeycloakUserHasRole

Map the following parameters:

Input<YesNo> SecurityL<YesNo>

Input< WebStoreRole > < WebStoreRole.Shopper>



Conditionally hide the Products button.

If SecurityL<YesNo> == <YesNo.No>

Set State Protected, Event: Products

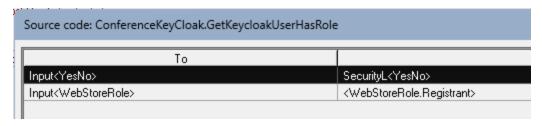
Now do the same for the Registrant Role to enable/disable the Customers button.

API Call Source code: ConferenceKeyCloak.GetKeycloakUserHasRole

Map the following parameters:

Input<YesNo> SecurityL<YesNo>

Input< WebStoreRole > < WebStoreRole.Registrant>



If SecurityL<YesNo> == <YesNo.No>

Set State Protected, Event: Customers

Now we can get the user attributes from KeyCloak for the Welcome message.

We'll use the Source code object ConferenceKeyCloak.GetKeycloakAttribute for this.

Add the statement:

API Call Source code: ConferenceKeyCloak.GetKeycloakAttribute

And map the following parameters:

Input<Attribute Value> SecurityL<Attribute Value>

To From Input<Attribute> Input<Attribute Value> SecurityL<Attribute Value>

If SecurityL<Attribute Value> != <LongDescription.*Blank>

Cast Environment<*Message text>, SecurityL<Attribute Value>

Go Sub Send message

Finally, add the following line to the End Initialize Post Point

Go Sub Get User Information



Save your model, close the action diagram and generate the StoreMenu function:



Open the C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Web Technology\Workspace workspace in Eclipse.

Press F5 to refresh the workspace with your latest changes. The WebClient generator will build your function.

```
>>> Starting WebClient Build for storeJava
> Using CM WebClient v1.8.8-pre13284
> Licensed to CMFirst Technologies
> Valid until Mon Jan 01 00:00:00 CST 2024
```

Generating Web templates.

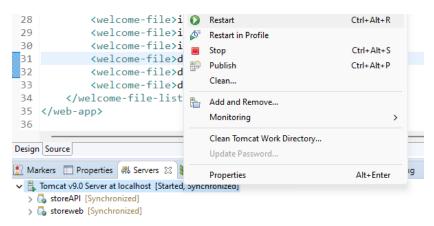
```
>>> WebClient Build complete.
    1 panels processed. 0 panels not processed.
```

In the previous exercise we restricted access to our web application by assigning access to the 'SiteAdmin' role. Let's change this to allow access to all users.

Change the 'SiteAdmin' values to '*' for all access.

Save the web.xml file.

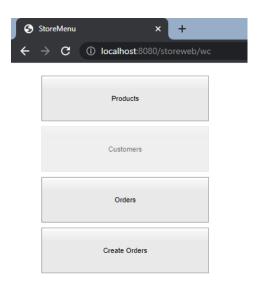
Restart the Tomcat Server on the Servers tab.



Make sure that Keycloak is running and access the web application again.

http://localhost:8080/storeweb/wc

Sign-on as 'fred' with password 'fred'.



The 'Customers' menu option is disabled, as Fred does not have the 'Registrant' role assigned.

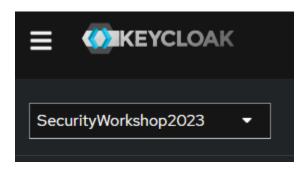
We don't see a welcome message as we haven't defined that yet. We'll do that in the next step.

Create OpenID Connect Mappers

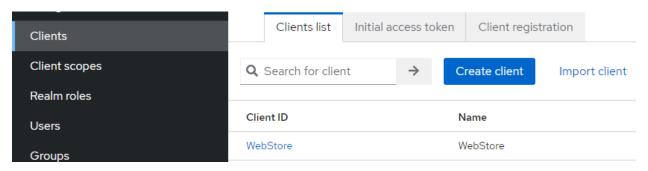
When we set up Keycloak, we defined it (by default) to use the OpenID Connect (OIDC) protocol. This is an extension to the OAuth 2.0 protocol that allows it to attach user identity data to an access token, e.g. an email address or nationality. This information is known as a "claim".

To allow these attributes to be attached to the token, we first need to set up mappers for these attributes. There are many types of mappers, but we'll just deal with a User Attribute mapper for this exercise.

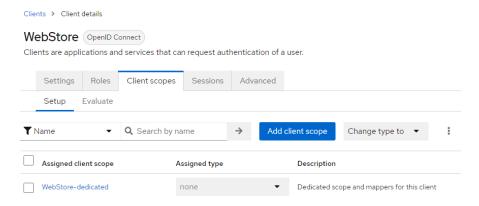
Log on to the Keycloak administration console at http://localhost:8090/ as 'kcadmin' with password 'kcadmin' and select the "SecurityWorkshop2023" Realm.



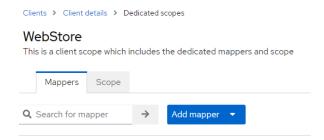
Select Client, then click on our WebStore client.



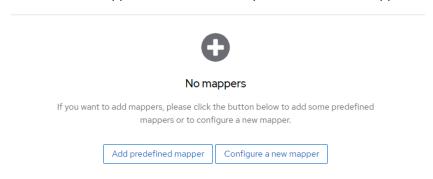
Click on the Client Scopes tab. In Keycloak, a client scope is a set of predefined permissions or attributes that can be associated with a client application. Client scopes provide a way to manage and share sets of permissions or attributes across multiple client applications in a standardized way.



Click on the "WebStore-dedicated" link.



Click on "Add mapper". The first time in you'll see the "No mappers" message.



Click on the "Configure a new mapper" button. There are several mapper types listed. Select "User Attribute"



Add mapper

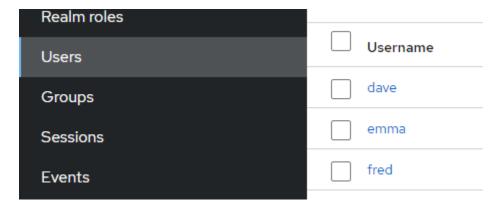
If you want more fine-grain control, you can create protocol mapper on this client

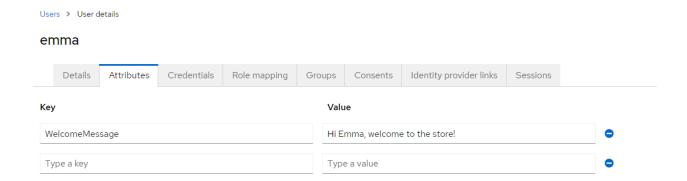
Mapper type	User Attribute
Name * ⑦	Welcome Message
User Attribute ③	WelcomeMessage
	
Token Claim Name ②	WelcomeMessage
Claim JSON Type ③	String
Add to ID token ⑦	Off
Add to access token ③	On
Add to userinfo ③	Off
Multivalued ②	Off
Aggregate attribute values ③	Off
	Save Cancel

On the "Add Mapper" panel, set the values as above and click "Save".

Now that we have the mapper, we can add an individual welcome message to each user.

Select 'Users' from the menu, and click on 'emma'.





Click on the Attributes tab and enter the key "WelcomeMessage", then enter a message in the Value column. Click Save.

In Eclipse, start the Tomcat server if it's not already running, and visit the web application in a new browser in Incognito mode at http://localhost:8080/storeweb/wc

Sign in as "Emma" with password "Emma".

The message should now show up.



Add WelcomeMessage attributes to users Fred and Dave. Test out those users.

Restoring Snapshots

As there may not be time to complete all the exercises on time, a number of snapshots have been created to allow you to restore files before or after an exercise. These snapshots are 7-zip compressed files which contain the Plex and Eclipse workspace folders. An exercise may list the relevant snapshots to apply.

Here are the instructions to restore a snapshot.

Close Plex and Eclipse

Close the applications as they may lock files preventing them from being saved or restored. If something is left open you may see a message like this from 7-zip.

C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Web Technology\Plex\store.mdl
 The process cannot access the file because it is being used by another process.

(Optional) Save your progress

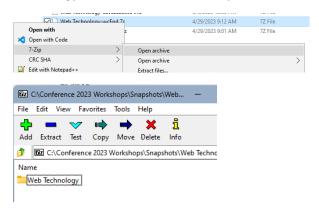
Right-click on the "Web Technology" folder inside the "C:\Conference 2023 Workshops" folder and select 7-zip -> Add to Web Technology.7z.

Delete the "Web Technology" folder

Select the folder and delete it.

Open your Snapshot

The exercise you're working on may direct you to restore a snapshot by name. Look in the "C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Snapshots" folder and right-click on the file with that name, e.g. *Web Technology-wcStart.7z* and select 'Open Archive'. This will open the snapshot in 7-zip.



Restore the Snapshot

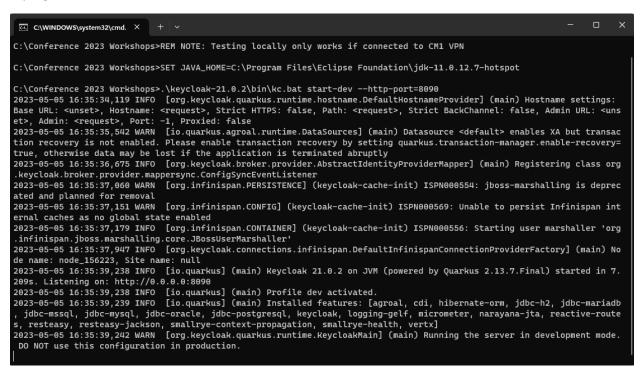
Go back to the "C:\Conference 2023 Workshops" folder and drag the Web Technology folder from 7-zip into that folder. It should take a few seconds to restore everything.

Restoring Keycloak Configuration

The Keycloak snapshots contain Keycloak configuration settings at various points before and after exercises. Follow these steps to restore:

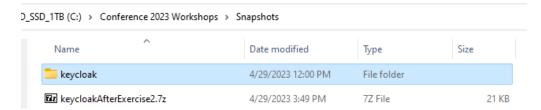
Close Keycloak

Make sure Keycloak is not running. There may a CMD window running – close it by clicking the 'X' in the top right corner.



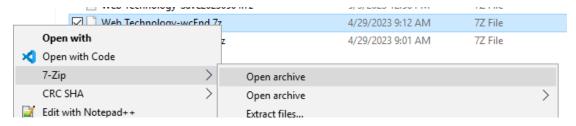
Delete Keycloak folder

Navigate to the C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Snapshots folder and delete the 'keycloak' folder.



Restore the 7z file

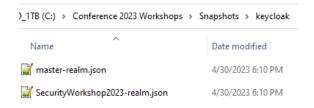
The exercise you're working on may direct you to restore a snapshot by name. Look in the "C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Snapshots" folder and right-click on the file with that name, e.g. *keycloakAfterExercise2.7z* and select 'Open Archive'. This will open the snapshot in 7-zip.



Drag the 'keycloak' folder into the C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Snapshots



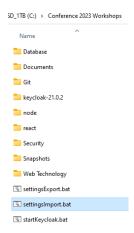
Look in the C:\Conference 2023 Workshops\Snapshots\keycloak folder, there may be 1 or 2 .json files.



Import the JSON configuration files into Keycloak

Navigate to the C:\Conference 2023 Workshops folder.

Double-click on the 'settingsImport.bat' file. The import window will open for a few seconds then close automatically.



Start Keycloak

Double-click on startKeycloak.bat to start KeyCloak.