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OAuth2

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Introduction

The problem

Necessity of communication between client and server. Different ways to achieve the goal, here are a few of them:

1. Directly send the user id to the server

```
$ curl -v -X POST http://google.com '{"user-id": 1}'
```

2. Http Basic Auth: each API request is signed with a username and a passwrod, encoded in base64

```
$ curl -u Aladdin:OpenSesamus -v https://google.com
> GET / HTTP/1.1
> Host: google.com
> Authorization: Basic QWxhZGRpbjpPcGVuU2VzYW11cw==
> User-Agent: curl/7.72.0
> Accept: */*
```

- 3. Authentication with PEM keys
- 4. OAuth protocol

OAuth2 Protocol

Obtain an access token

1. Redirect to an authorization provider.

```
http://google.apis.com?response_type=code&client_id...
```

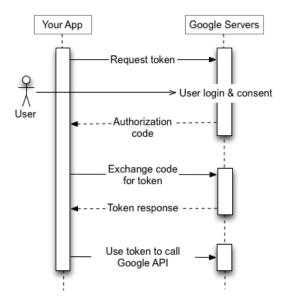
2. If the authorization is successful, the oauth server will redirect to redirect_uri passing a code as GET parameter. Otherwise error contains the reason why the authorization was not successful.

```
POST /oauth/token HTTP/1.1
Host: authorization-server.com

grant_type=authorization_code
&code=xxxxxxxxxx
&redirect_uri=https://example-app.com/redirect
&client_id=xxxxxxxxx
&client_secret=xxxxxxxxx
```

If an authorization code is used more than once, the authorization server must deny the subsequent request.

- 3. The client exchanges the code , called also "grant token", with the server to obtain an access_token .
- 4. The server returns the access token with additional informations, such as expire date and JWT.
- 5. The client uses the access token for APIs requests.



SSO with OpenID

JWT
JWS e JWE

Validazione JWS

Verify the SHA256 signature

References

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