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Spring Boot Security + JWT Hello World Example



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In this tutorial we will be developing a Spring Boot Application that makes use of JWT authentication for securing an exposed REST API. In this example we will be making use of hard coded user values for User Authentication. In next tutorial we will be implementing Spring Boot + JWT + MYSQL JPA for storing and fetching user credentials. (/spring/boot-jwt-mysql) Any user will be able to consume this API only if it has a valid JSON Web Token(JWT). In a previous tutorial we have seen what is JWT, when and how to use it. (/spring/jwt)

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```
package com.javainuse;

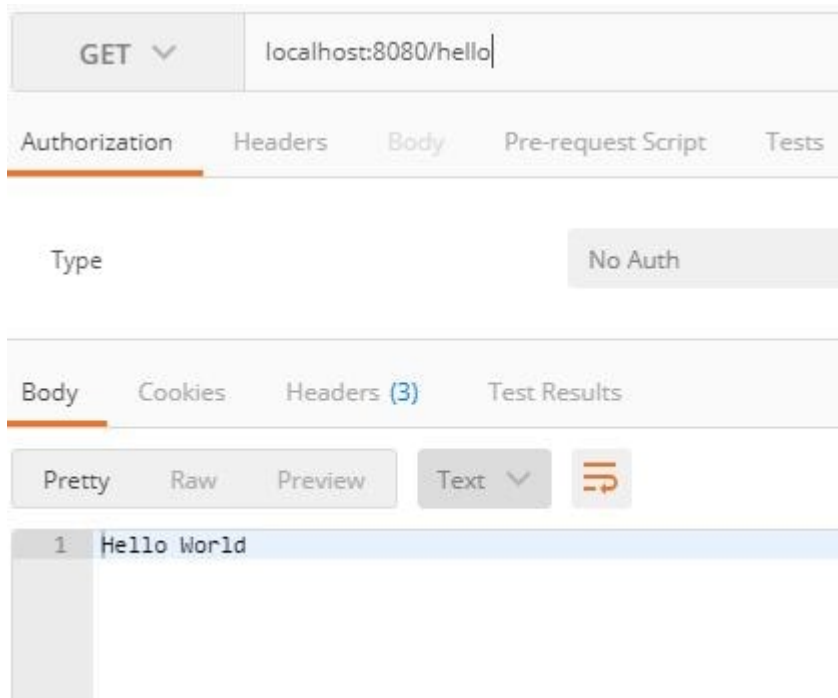
import org.springframework.boot.SpringApplication;
import org.springframework.boot.autoconfigure.SpringBootApplication;

@SpringBootApplication
public class SpringBootHelloWorldApplication {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        SpringApplication.run(SpringBootHelloWorldApplica
    }
}
```

Compile and the run the SpringBootHelloWorldApplication.java as a Java application.

Go to **localhost:8080/hello**



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Spring Security and JWT Configuration

We will be configuring Spring Security and JWT for performing 2 operations-

spring-boot-jwt [boot]

Spring Elements

src/test/java

src/test/resources

src/main/java

com.javainuse

SpringBootHelloWorldApplication.java

com.javainuse.config

JwtAuthenticationEntryPoint.java

JwtRequestFilter.java

JwtTokenUtil.java

WebSecurityConfig.java

com.javainuse.controller

HelloWorldController.java

JwtAuthenticationController.java

com.javainuse.model

JwtRequest.java

JwtResponse.java

com.javainuse.service

JwtUserDetailsService.java

src/main/resources

application.properties

JRE System Library [jre1.8.0_181]

src

target

pom.xml

POST API with mapping **/authenticate**. On password it will generate a JSON Web

to access GET API with mapping **/hello**. It will a valid JSON Web Token(JWT)



The sequence flow for these operations will be as follows-

Generating JWT

For better understanding we will be developing the project in stages

- Develop a Spring Boot Application to expose a Simple REST GET API with mapping **/hello**.
- Configure Spring Security for JWT. Expose REST POST API with mapping **/authenticate** using which User will get a valid JSON Web Token. And then

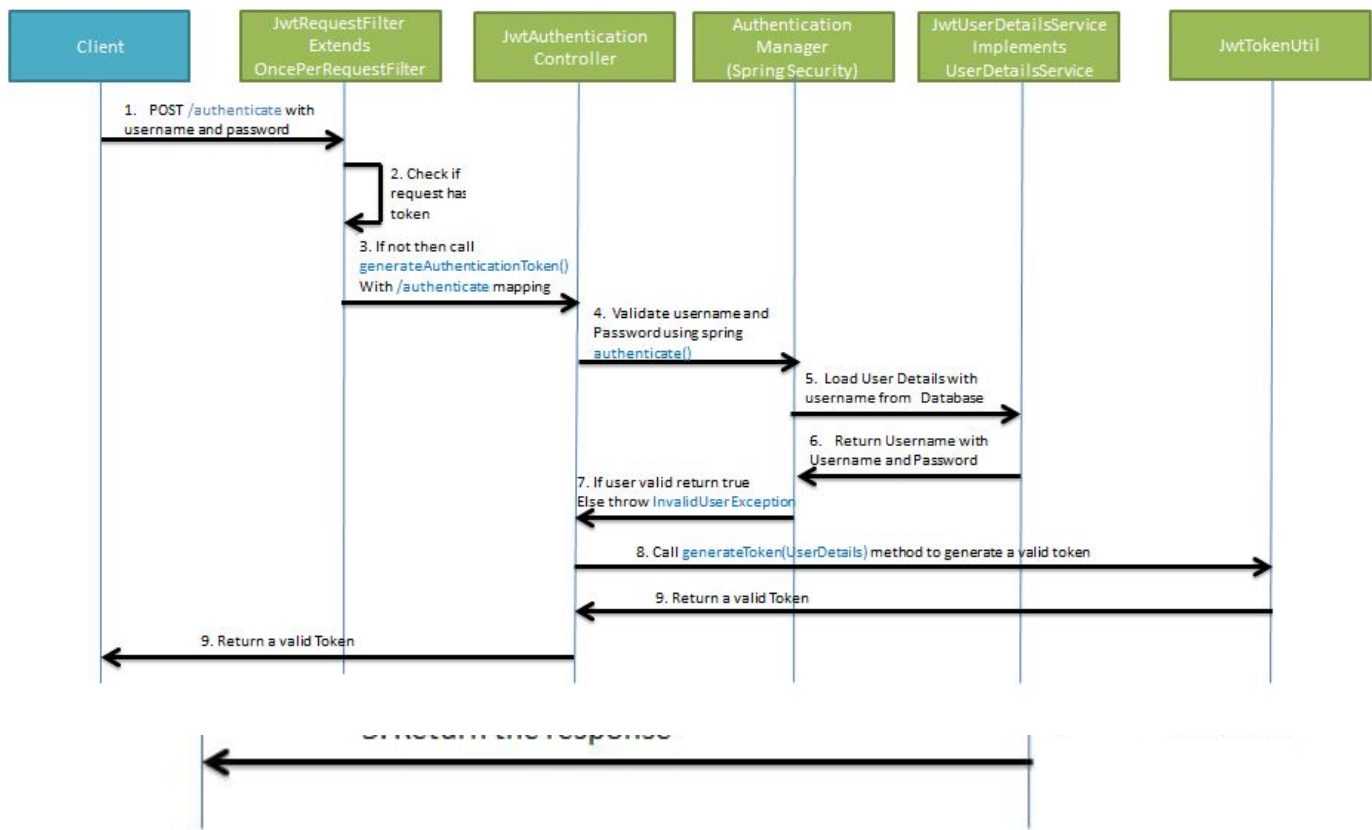
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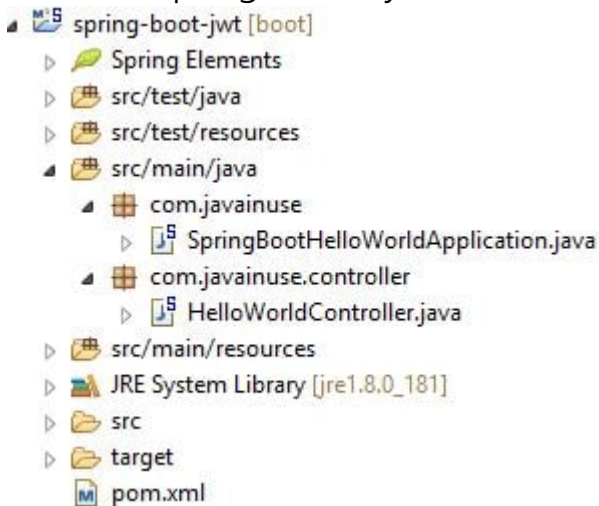
allow the user access to the api /hello only if it has a valid token



Develop a Spring Boot Application to expose a GET REST API

Maven Project will be as follows-

Add the Spring Security and JWT dependencies



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```

<project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0" xmlns:xsi="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0 http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">
    <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
    <groupId>com.javainuse</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-jwt</artifactId>
    <version>0.0.1-SNAPSHOT</version>

    <parent>
        <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
        <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-parent</artifactId>
        <version>2.1.1.RELEASE</version>
        <relativePath /> <!-- lookup parent from repository -->
    </parent>

    <properties>
        <project.build.sourceEncoding>UTF-8</project.build.sourceEncoding>
        <project.reporting.outputEncoding>UTF-8</project.reporting.outputEncoding>
        <java.version>1.8</java.version>
    </properties>

    <dependencies>
        <dependency>
            <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
            <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-web</artifactId>
        </dependency>
        <dependency>
            <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
            <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-security</artifactId>
        </dependency>
        <dependency>
            <groupId>io.jsonwebtoken</groupId>
            <artifactId>jjwt</artifactId>
            <version>0.9.1</version>
        </dependency>
    </dependencies>

```

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```
</project>
```

```
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RestController;
```

- Define the application.properties. As see in previous JWT tutorial, we specify the secret key using which we will be using for hashing algorithm. (/spring/jwt)

```
@RestController
public class HelloWorldController {
    The secret key is combined with the header and the payload to create a unique hash. We are only able to verify this hash if you have the secret key.
    @RequestMapping({ "/hello" })
```

```
    jwt.secret=javainuse
```

```
    return "hello world" ;
```

- **JwtTokenUtil**

```
} The JwtTokenUtil is responsible for performing JWT operations like creation
```

and validation. It makes use of the io.jsonwebtoken.Jwts for achieving this.
Create the bootstrap class with SpringBoot Annotation

```
package com.javainuse.config;

import java.io.Serializable;
import java.util.Date;
import java.util.HashMap;
import java.util.Map;
import java.util.function.Function;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Value;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Component;

import io.jsonwebtoken.Claims;
import io.jsonwebtoken.Jwts;
import io.jsonwebtoken.SignatureAlgorithm;

@Component
public class JwtTokenUtil implements Serializable {

    private static final long serialVersionUID = -2550185

    public static final long JWT_TOKEN_VALIDITY = 5 * 60

    @Value("${jwt.secret}")
    private String secret;

    //retrieve username from jwt token
    public String getUsernameFromToken(String token) {
        return getClaimFromToken(token, Claims::getSubject)
    }

    //retrieve expiration date from jwt token
    public Date getExpirationDateFromToken(String token) {
        return getClaimFromToken(token, Claims::getExpiration)
    }
}
```

```

    public <T> T getClaimFromToken(String token, Function<Claims, T> claimResolver) {
        final Claims claims = getAllClaimsFromToken(token);
        return claimResolver.apply(claims);
    }

    //for retrieveing any information from token we will need
    private Claims getAllClaimsFromToken(String token) {
        return Jwts.parser().setSigningKey(secret).parse(token);
    }

    //check if the token has expired
    private Boolean isTokenExpired(String token) {
        final Date expiration = getExpirationDateFromToken(token);
        return expiration.before(new Date());
    }

    //generate token for user
    public String generateToken(UserDetails userDetails) {
        Map<String, Object> claims = new HashMap<>();
        return doGenerateToken(claims, userDetails.getUsername());
    }

    //while creating the token -
    //1. Define claims of the token, like Issuer, Expiration, Subject, etc.
    //2. Sign the JWT using the HS512 algorithm and secret key.
    //3. According to JWS Compact Serialization(https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7516#section-2), the compact representation of the JWT to a URL-safe string
    private String doGenerateToken(Map<String, Object> claims, UserDetails userDetails) {
        return Jwts.builder().setClaims(claims).setSubject(userDetails.getUsername()).setExpiration(new Date(System.currentTimeMillis() + 1000L * 60 * 60 * 24)).signWith(SignatureAlgorithm.HS512, secret).compact();
    }

    //validate token
    public Boolean validateToken(String token, UserDetails userDetails) {
        final String username = getUsernameFromToken(token);
        return !isTokenExpired(token) && UserDetailsServiceImpl.getInstance().getUsernameFromToken(token) == username;
    }

```



```
        return (username.equals(userDetails.getUsername()) ? user : null);  
    }  
}
```

- **JWTUserDetailsService**

JWTUserDetailsService implements the Spring Security UserDetailsService interface. It overrides the loadUserByUsername for fetching user details from the database using the username. The Spring Security Authentication Manager calls this method for getting the user details from the database when authenticating the user details provided by the user. Here we are getting the **user details from a hardcoded User List**. In the next tutorial we will be adding the DAO implementation for fetching User Details from the Database. (/spring/boot-jwt-mysql) Also the password for a user is stored in encrypted format using BCrypt. Previously we have seen Spring Boot Security - Password Encoding Using Bcrypt. (/spring/boot_security_jdbc_authentication_bcrypt) Here using the Online Bcrypt Generator you can generate the Bcrypt for a password. (/onlineBcrypt)

```
package com.javainuse.service;

import java.util.ArrayList;

import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.User;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UsernameNotFoundException;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;

@Service
public class JwtUserDetailsService implements UserDetailsService {

    @Override
    public UserDetails loadUserByUsername(String username) throws UsernameNotFoundException {
        if ("javainuse".equals(username)) {
            return new User("javainuse", "$2a$10$abcdefghijklmnopqrstuv",
                new ArrayList<>());
        } else {
            throw new UsernameNotFoundException("User not found");
        }
    }
}
```

- **JwtAuthenticationController**

Expose a POST API /authenticate using the JwtAuthenticationController. The POST API gets username and password in the body- Using Spring Authentication Manager we authenticate the username and password. If the credentials are valid, a JWT token is created using the JWTTokenUtil and provided to the client.

```
package com.javainuse.controller;

import java.util.Objects;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.http.ResponseEntity;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.AuthenticationManager;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.BadCredentialsException;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.DisabledException;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.UsernamePasswordAuthenticationToken;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.CrossOrigin;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RequestBody;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RequestMapping;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RequestMethod;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RestController;
import com.javainuse.service.JwtUserDetailsService;

import com.javainuse.config.JwtTokenUtil;
import com.javainuse.model.JwtRequest;
import com.javainuse.model.JwtResponse;

@RestController
@CrossOrigin
public class JwtAuthenticationController {

    @Autowired
    private AuthenticationManager authenticationManager;

    @Autowired
    private JwtTokenUtil jwtTokenUtil;

    @Autowired
    private JwtUserDetailsService userDetailsService;
```

```

@RequestMapping(value = "/authenticate", method = RequestMethod.POST)
public ResponseEntity<?> createAuthenticationToken(@RequestBody JwtRequest request) throws AuthenticationException {

    authenticate(request.getUsername(), request.getPassword());

    final UserDetails userDetails = userDetailsService.loadUserByUsername(request.getUsername());

    final String token = jwtTokenUtil.generateToken(userDetails);

    return ResponseEntity.ok(new JwtResponse(token));
}

private void authenticate(String username, String password) throws AuthenticationException {
    try {
        authenticationManager.authenticate(new UsernamePasswordAuthenticationToken(username, password));
    } catch (DisabledException e) {
        throw new Exception("USER_DISABLED", e);
    } catch (BadCredentialsException e) {
        throw new Exception("INVALID_CREDENTIALS", e);
    }
}
}

```

- **JwtRequest**

This class is required for storing the username and password we receive from the client.

```
package com.javainuse.model;

import java.io.Serializable;

public class JwtRequest implements Serializable {

    private static final long serialVersionUID = 59264685

    private String username;
    private String password;

    //need default constructor for JSON Parsing
    public JwtRequest()
    {

    }

    public JwtRequest(String username, String password) {
        this.setUsername(username);
        this.setPassword(password);
    }

    public String getUsername() {
        return this.username;
    }

    public void setUsername(String username) {
        this.username = username;
    }

    public String getPassword() {
        return this.password;
    }

    public void setPassword(String password) {
        this.password = password;
    }
}
```

```
    }  
}
```

- **JwtResponse**

This class is required for creating a response containing the JWT to be returned to the user.

```
package com.javainuse.model;  
  
import java.io.Serializable;  
  
public class JwtResponse implements Serializable {  
  
    private static final long serialVersionUID = -8091879;  
    private final String jwttoken;  
  
    public JwtResponse(String jwttoken) {  
        this.jwttoken = jwttoken;  
    }  
  
    public String getToken() {  
        return this.jwttoken;  
    }  
}
```

- **JwtRequestFilter**

The `JwtRequestFilter` extends the Spring Web Filter `OncePerRequestFilter` class. For any incoming request this Filter class gets executed. It checks if the request has a valid JWT token. If it has a valid JWT Token then it sets the Authentication in the context, to specify that the current user is authenticated.

```
package com.javainuse.config;

import java.io.IOException;

import javax.servlet.FilterChain;
import javax.servlet.ServletException;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletResponse;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired
import org.springframework.security.authentication.UsernamePa
import org.springframework.security.core.context.SecurityCont
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDeta
import org.springframework.security.web.authentication.WebAut
import org.springframework.stereotype.Component;
import org.springframework.web.filter.OncePerRequestFilter;

import com.javainuse.service.JwtUserDetailsService;

import io.jsonwebtoken.ExpiredJwtException;

@Component
public class JwtRequestFilter extends OncePerRequestFilter {

    @Autowired
    private JwtUserDetailsService jwtUserDetailsService;

    @Autowired
    private JwtTokenUtil jwtTokenUtil;

    @Override
    protected void doFilterInternal(HttpServletRequest re
        throws ServletException, IOException

    final String requestTokenHeader = request.getHeader("X-Auth-Token");
```

```

String username = null;
String jwtToken = null;
// JWT Token is in the form "Bearer token". R
// only the Token
if (requestTokenHeader != null && requestToke
    jwtToken = requestTokenHeader.substri
    try {
        username = jwtTokenUtil.getUs
    } catch (IllegalArgumentException e)
        System.out.println("Unable to
    } catch (ExpiredJwtException e) {
        System.out.println("JWT Token
    }
} else {
    logger.warn("JWT Token does not begin

// Once we get the token validate it.
if (username != null && SecurityContextHolder

    UserDetails userDetails = this.jwtUse

// if token is valid configure Spring
// authentication
if (jwtTokenUtil.validateToken(jwtTok

    UsernamePasswordAuthenticatio
        userDetails,
    usernamePasswordAuthenticatio
        .setDetails(n
// After setting the Authenti
// that the current user is a
// Spring Security Configurat
SecurityContextHolder.getCont
}

```



```
        chain.doFilter(request, response);  
    }  
}
```

- **JwtAuthenticationEntryPoint**

This class will extend Spring's `AuthenticationEntryPoint` class and override its `commence` method. It rejects every unauthenticated request and send error code 401

```
package com.javainuse.config;

import java.io.IOException;
import java.io.Serializable;

import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletResponse;

import org.springframework.security.core.AuthenticationException;
import org.springframework.security.web.AuthenticationEntryPoint;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Component;

@Component
public class JwtAuthenticationEntryPoint implements AuthenticationEntryPoint {

    private static final long serialVersionUID = -7858869L;

    @Override
    public void commence(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response,
        AuthenticationException authException) throws IOException {
        response.sendError(HttpServletResponse.SC_UNAUTHORIZED);
    }
}
```

- **WebSecurityConfig**

This class extends the `WebSecurityConfigurerAdapter` is a convenience class that allows customization to both `WebSecurity` and `HttpSecurity`.

```

package com.javainuse.config;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Configuration;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.AuthenticationManager;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.authentication.configuration.AuthenticationConfiguration;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.method.configuration.EnableMethodSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.builders.HttpSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.EnableWebSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.WebSecurityConfigurerAdapter;
import org.springframework.security.config.http.SessionCreationPolicy;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.crypto.bcrypt.BCryptPasswordEncoder;
import org.springframework.security.crypto.password.PasswordEncoder;
import org.springframework.security.web.authentication.UsernamePasswordAuthenticationFilter;

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
@EnableGlobalMethodSecurity(prePostEnabled = true)
public class WebSecurityConfig extends WebSecurityConfigurerAdapter {

    @Autowired
    private JwtAuthenticationEntryPoint jwtAuthenticationEntryPoint;

    @Autowired
    private UserDetailsService jwtUserDetailsService;

    @Autowired
    private JwtRequestFilter jwtRequestFilter;

    @Autowired
    public void configureGlobal(AuthenticationManagerBuilder auth) throws Exception {
        // configure AuthenticationManager so that it
        // user for matching credentials
        // use BCryptPasswordEncoder
    }

```

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```

        auth.userDetailsService(jwtUserDetailsService)
    }

    @Bean
    public PasswordEncoder passwordEncoder() {
        return new BCryptPasswordEncoder();
    }

    @Bean
    @Override
    public AuthenticationManager authenticationManagerBean() {
        return super.authenticationManagerBean();
    }

    @Override
    protected void configure(HttpSecurity httpSecurity) throws Exception {
        // We don't need CSRF for this example
        httpSecurity.csrf().disable()
            // dont authenticate this particular request
            .authorizeRequests().antMatchers("/resources/**").permitAll()
            // all other requests need to be authenticated
            .anyRequest().authenticated().and()
            // make sure we use stateless session (remember=CookieBasedSessionManager)
            .sessionManagement().sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS);

        // Add a filter to validate the tokens with the jwtTokenProvider
        httpSecurity.addFilterBefore(jwtRequestFilter, UsernamePasswordAuthenticationFilter.class);
    }
}

```

Start the Spring Boot Application

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Create a POST request with url localhost:8080/authenticate. Body should have valid username and password. In our case username is javainuse and password is password.

- **Validate the JSON Web Token**

- Try accessing the url localhost:8080/hello using the above generated token in the header as follows

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