



# Overview

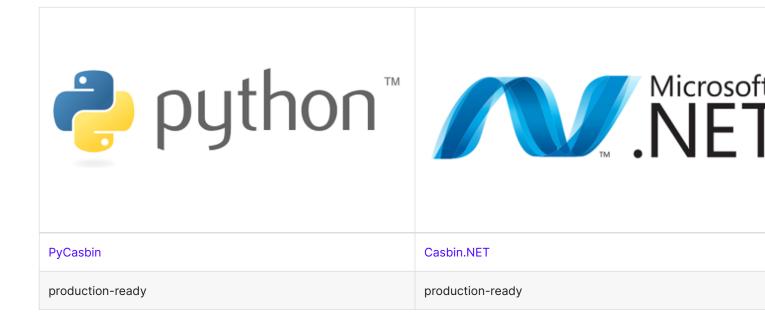
Casbin is a powerful and efficient open-source access control library that supports various access control models for enforcing authorization across the board.

Enforcing a set of rules is as simple as listing down subjects, objects and the desired allowed action (or any other format as per your needs) in a *policy* file. This is synonymous across all flows Casbin is used in. The developer/administrator has the complete control over the layout, execution and conditions for authorization which is set via the *model* file. Casbin provides an *Enforcer* for validating an incoming request based on the policy and model files given to the Enforcer.

## Languages supported by Casbin:

Casbin provides support for various programming languages, ready to be integrated within any project and workflow:





#### Feature set for different languages

We are always working our best to make Casbin have the same set of features for all languages. But the reality is not that beautiful.

| Feature                     | Go       | Java | Node.js  | PHP      | Python   | C#       | Delphi   | Rust     | C++      | Lua      | Dart     | Elixir   |
|-----------------------------|----------|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Enforcement                 | <b>V</b> | V    | V        | V        | V        | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | V        | V        | V        | V        | V        |
| RBAC                        | <b>V</b> | V    | V        | V        | V        | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | V        | V        | V        | V        | V        |
| ABAC                        | <b>V</b> | V    | V        | V        | V        | V        | <b>V</b> | V        | V        | V        | V        | <b>V</b> |
| Scaling<br>ABAC<br>(eval()) | V        | V    | <b>V</b> | V        | <b>V</b> | V        | ×        | V        | V        | V        | V        | V        |
| Adapter                     | <b>V</b> | V    | V        | <b>V</b> | V        | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | V        | V        | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | ×        |
| Management<br>API           | V        | V    | V        | V        | <b>V</b> | V        | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | V        | <b>V</b> | V        |
| RBAC API                    | <b>V</b> | V    | V        | V        | V        | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | V        | V        | V        | V        | V        |
| Batch API                   | <b>V</b> | V    | V        | V        | V        | V        | ×        | V        | V        | V        | ×        | ×        |

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|---------------------|----|------|---------|----------|--------|----|--------|----------|----------|-----|------|--------|
| Filtered<br>Adapter | V  | V    | V       | <b>V</b> | V      | V  | ×      | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | V   | ×    | ×      |
| Watcher             | V  | V    | V       | V        | V      | V  | V      | <b>V</b> | V        | V   | ×    | ×      |
| Role<br>Manager     | V  | V    | V       | V        | V      | V  | ×      | <b>V</b> | <b>V</b> | V   | V    | ×      |
| Multi-<br>Threading | V  | V    | V       | ×        | V      | ×  | ×      | V        | ×        | ×   | ×    | ×      |
| 'in' of<br>matcher  | V  | V    | V       | V        | V      | ×  | V      | ×        | ×        | ×   | V    | V      |

Note- for Watcher or Role Manager only means having the interface in the core library. It is not indicative of whether there is a watcher or role manager implementation available.

#### What is Casbin?

Casbin is an authorization library which can be used in flows where we want a certain object or entity to be accessed by a specific user or subject. The type of access i.e. action can be read, write, delete or any other action as set by the developer. This is how Casbin is most widely used and its called the "standard" or classic { subject, object, action } flow.

Casbin is capable of handling many complex authorization scenarios other than the standard flow. There can be addition of roles (RBAC), attributes (ABAC) etc.

#### What Casbin does:

- 1. Enforce the policy in the classic { subject, object, action } form or a customized form as you defined. Both allow and deny authorizations are supported.
- 2. Handle the storage of the access control model and its policy.
- 3. Manage the role-user mappings and role-role mappings (aka role hierarchy in RBAC).
- 4. Support built-in superusers like root or administrator. A superuser can do anything without explicit permissions.
- 5. Multiple built-in operators to support the rule matching. For example, keyMatch can map a resource key /foo/bar to the pattern /foo\*.

#### What Casbin does NOT do:

- 1. Authentication (aka verify username and password when a user logs in)
- 2. Manage the list of users or roles.

It's more convenient for the project to manage their list of users, roles or passwords. Users usually have their passwords, and Casbin is not designed as a password container. However, Casbin stores the user-role mapping for the RBAC scenario.

# **Get Started**

## Installation

```
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go get github.com/casbin/casbin/v2
```

For Maven:

Require this package in the composer.json of your project. This will download the package:

```
composer require casbin/casbin
pip install casbin
dotnet add package Casbin.NET
# download source
git clone https://github.com/casbin/casbin-cpp.git
# generate project files
cd casbin-cpp && mkdir build && cd build && cmake ...
-DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release
# build and install casbin
cmake --build . --config Release --target casbin install -j 10
cargo install cargo-edit
cargo add casbin
// If you use async-std as async executor
cargo add async-std
// If you use tokio as async executor
cargo add tokio // make sure you activate its `macros` feature
```

Casbin4D comes in a package (currently for Delphi 10.3 Rio) and you can install it in the IDE. However, there are no visual components which means that you can use the units independently of packages. Just import the units in your project (assuming you do not mind the number of them).

```
luarocks install casbin
```

If report Error: Your user does not have write permissions in /usr/local/lib/luarocks/

rocks -- you may want to run as a privileged user or use your local tree with -- local. you can add --local behind your command like this to fix:

```
luarocks install casbin --local
```

## New a Casbin enforcer

Casbin uses configuration files to set the access control model.

It has two configuration files, <code>model.conf</code> and <code>policy.csv</code>. Among them, <code>model.conf</code> stores our access model, and <code>policy.csv</code> stores our specific user permission configuration. The use of Casbin is very refined. Basically, we just need one main structure: <code>enforcer</code>. When constructing this structure, <code>model.conf</code> and <code>policy.csv</code> will be loaded.

In another word, to new a Casbin enforcer, you must provide a Model and an Adapter.

Casbin has a FileAdapter, see Adapter for more information.

• Use the Model file and default FileAdapter:

```
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import "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2"
```

```
import org.casbin.jcasbin.main.Enforcer;
Enforcer e = new Enforcer("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/
policy.csv");
import { newEnforcer } from 'casbin';
const e = await newEnforcer('path/to/model.conf', 'path/to/
policy.csv');
require_once './vendor/autoload.php';
use Casbin\Enforcer;
$e = new Enforcer("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/policy.csv");
import casbin
e = casbin.Enforcer("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/policy.csv")
using NetCasbin;
var e = new Enforcer("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/
policy.csv");
#include <iostream>
#include <casbin/casbin.h>
int main() {
   // Create an Enforcer
    casbin::Enforcer e("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/
policy.csv");
```

```
var
 casbin: ICasbin;
begin
  casbin := TCasbin.Create('path/to/model.conf', 'path/to/
policy.csv');
  . . .
end
use casbin::prelude::*;
// If you use async_td as async executor
#[cfg(feature = "runtime-async-std")]
#[async_std::main]
async fn main() -> Result<()> {
    let mut e = Enforcer::new("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/
policy.csv").await?;
   0k(())
}
// If you use tokio as async executor
#[cfg(feature = "runtime-tokio")]
#[tokio::main]
async fn main() -> Result<()> {
    let mut e = Enforcer::new("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/
policy.csv").await?;
    0k(())
}
local Enforcer = require("casbin")
local e = Enforcer:new("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/
policy.csv") -- The Casbin Enforcer
```

• Use the Model text with other Adapter:

```
import (
    "log"
    "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2"
    "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2/model"
    xormadapter "github.com/casbin/xorm-adapter/v2"
    _ "github.com/go-sql-driver/mysql"
)
// Initialize a Xorm adapter with MySQL database.
a, err := xormadapter.NewAdapter("mysql",
"mysql_username:mysql_password@tcp(127.0.0.1:3306)/casbin")
if err != nil {
    log.Fatalf("error: adapter: %s", err)
}
m, err := model.NewModelFromString()
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act
[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act
[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))
[matchers]
m = r.sub == p.sub \&\& r.obj == p.obj \&\& r.act == p.act
`)
if err != nil {
    log.Fatalf("error: model: %s", err)
}
```

```
import casbin
import casbin_sqlalchemy_adapter
# Use SQLAlchemy Casbin adapter with SQLLite DB
adapter = casbin_sqlalchemy_adapter.Adapter('sqlite:///test.db')
# Create a config model policy
with open("rbac_example_model.conf", "w") as f:
    f.write("""
    [request_definition]
    r = sub, obj, act
    [policy_definition]
    p = sub, obj, act
    [policy_effect]
    e = some(where (p.eft == allow))
    [matchers]
    m = r.sub == p.sub \&\& r.obj == p.obj \&\& r.act == p.act
    """)
# Create enforcer from adapter and config policy
e = casbin.Enforcer('rbac_example_model.conf', adapter)
```

## **Check permissions**

Add an enforcement hook into your code right before the access happens:

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```
sub := "alice" // the user that wants to access a resource.
obj := "data1" // the resource that is going to be accessed.
act := "read" // the operation that the user performs on the
resource.
ok, err := e.Enforce(sub, obj, act)
if err != nil {
   // handle err
}
if ok == true {
   // permit alice to read data1
} else {
   // deny the request, show an error
}
// You could use BatchEnforce() to enforce some requests in
batches.
// This method returns a bool slice, and this slice's index
corresponds to the row index of the two-dimensional array.
// e.g. results[0] is the result of {"alice", "data1", "read"}
results, err := e.BatchEnforce([][]interface{}{{"alice",
"data1", "read"}, {"bob", "data2", "write"}, {"jack", "data3",
"read"}})
String sub = "alice"; // the user that wants to access a
resource.
String obj = "data1"; // the resource that is going to be
accessed.
```

```
const sub = 'alice'; // the user that wants to access a
resource.
const obj = 'data1'; // the resource that is going to be
accessed.
const act = 'read'; // the operation that the user performs on
the resource.
if ((await e.enforce(sub, obj, act)) === true) {
   // permit alice to read data1
} else {
   // deny the request, show an error
}
$sub = "alice"; // the user that wants to access a resource.
$obj = "data1"; // the resource that is going to be accessed.
$act = "read"; // the operation that the user performs on the
resource.
if ($e->enforce($sub, $obj, $act) === true) {
   // permit alice to read data1
} else {
   // deny the request, show an error
}
sub = "alice" # the user that wants to access a resource.
obj = "data1" # the resource that is going to be accessed.
act = "read" # the operation that the user performs on the
resource.
if e.enforce(sub, obj, act):
    # permit alice to read data1
   pass
else:
    # deny the request, show an error
    pass
```

```
var sub = "alice"; # the user that wants to access a resource.
var obj = "data1"; # the resource that is going to be accessed.
var act = "read"; # the operation that the user performs on
the resource.
if (await e.EnforceAsync(sub, obj, act))
{
   // permit alice to read data1
}
else
{
    // deny the request, show an error
}
    casbin::Enforcer e("../assets/model.conf", "../assets/
policy.csv");
    if (e.Enforce({"alice", "/alice_data/hello", "GET"})) {
        std::cout << "Enforce OK" << std::endl;</pre>
    } else {
        std::cout << "Enforce NOT Good" << std::endl;</pre>
    }
    if (e.Enforce({"alice", "/alice_data/hello", "POST"})) {
        std::cout << "Enforce OK" << std::endl;</pre>
    } else {
        std::cout << "Enforce NOT Good" << std::endl;</pre>
    }
if casbin.enforce(['alice,data1,read']) then
  // Alice is super happy as she can read data1
else
 // Alice is sad
```

```
let sub = "alice"; // the user that wants to access a
resource.
  let obj = "data1"; // the resource that is going to be
accessed.
  let act = "read"; // the operation that the user performs on
the resource.
 if e.enforce((sub, obj, act)).await? {
     // permit alice to read data1
  } else {
     // error occurs
  }
if e:enforce("alice", "data1", "read") then
   -- permit alice to read data1
else
   -- deny the request, show an error
end
```

Casbin also provides API for permission management at run-time. For example, You can get all the roles assigned to a user as below:

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```
roles, err := e.GetRolesForUser("alice")
Roles roles = e.getRolesForUser("alice");
```

```
const roles = await e.getRolesForUser('alice');

$roles = $e->getRolesForUser("alice");

roles = e.get_roles_for_user("alice")

var roles = e.GetRolesForUser("alice");

roles = e.rolesForEntity("alice")

let roles = e.get_roles_for_user("alice");

local roles = e:GetRolesForUser("alice")
```

See Management API and RBAC API for more usage.

Please refer to the test cases for more usage.

# How it Works

In Casbin, an access control model is abstracted into a CONF file based on the PERM metamodel (Policy, Effect, Request, Matchers). So switching or upgrading the authorization mechanism for a project is just as simple as modifying a configuration. You can customize your own access control model by combining the available models. For example, you can combine RBAC roles and ABAC attributes together inside one model and share one set of policy rules.

The PERM model is composed of four foundations (Policy, Effect, Request, Matchers) describing the relationship between resources and users.

### Request

Define the request parameters. A basic request is a tuple object, requiring at least a subject (accessed entity), object (accessed resource) and action (access method)

For instance, a request definition may look like this: r={sub, obj, act}

It actually defines the parameter name and order which we should provide for access control matching function.

### **Policy**

Define the model of the access strategy. In fact, it defines the name and order of the fields in the Policy rule document.

For instance: p={sub, obj, act} or p={sub, obj, act, eft}

Note: If eft (policy result) is not defined, then the result field in the policy file will not be read, and the matching policy result will be allowed by default.

#### Matcher

Matching rules of Request and Policy.

```
For example: m = r.sub == p.sub \&\& r.act == p.act \&\& r.obj == p.obj
This simple and common matching rule means that if the requested parameters (entities, resources, and methods) are equal, that is, if they can be found in the policy, then the policy result (p.eft) is returned. The result of the strategy will be saved in p.eft.
```

#### **Effect**

It can be understood as a model in which a logical combination judgment is performed again on the matching results of Matchers.

```
For example: e = some(where(p.eft == allow))
```

This sentence means that if the matching strategy result p.eft has the result of (some) allow, then the final result is true

Let's look at another example: (e = some(where (p.eft == allow)) && !some(where (p.eft == deny)) The logical meaning of this example combination is: if there is a strategy that matches the result of allow and no strategy that matches the result of deny, the result is true. In other words, it is true when the matching strategies are all allow, if there is any deny, both are false (more simply, when allow and deny exist at the same time, deny takes precedence)

The most basic and simplest model in Casbin is ACL. ACL's model CONF is:

```
# Request definition
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act

# Policy definition
[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act

# Policy effect
[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))

# Matchers
[matchers]
m = r.sub == p.sub && r.obj == p.obj && r.act == p.act
```

An example policy for ACL model is like:

```
p, alice, data1, read
p, bob, data2, write
```

#### It means:

- alice can read data1
- bob can write data2

We also support multi-line mode by appending '\' in the end:

```
# Matchers
[matchers]
m = r.sub == p.sub && r.obj == p.obj \
    && r.act == p.act
```

Furthermore, if you are using ABAC, you can try operator in like the following in Casbin golang edition (jCasbin and Node-Casbin are not supported yet):

```
# Matchers
[matchers]
m = r.obj == p.obj && r.act == p.act || r.obj in ('data2',
'data3')
```

But you SHOULD make sure that the length of the array is MORE than 1, otherwise there will cause it to panic.

For more operators, you may take a look at govaluate

# **Tutorials**

Before reading, please note that some tutorials are for the Casbin's model and work for all Casbin implementations in different languages. Some other tutorials are language-specific.

## **Our Papers**

PML: An Interpreter-Based Access Control Policy Language for Web Services

This paper digs deeply into the design details about Casbin. Please cite the following BibTex if you use Casbin/PML as a reference in your paper:

```
@article{luo2019pml,
   title={PML: An Interpreter-Based Access Control Policy
Language for Web Services},
   author={Luo, Yang and Shen, Qingni and Wu, Zhonghai},
   journal={arXiv preprint arXiv:1903.09756},
   year={2019}
}
```

 Access Control Policy Specification Language Based on Metamodel (in Chinese)

This is another longer-version paper published in Journal of Software. The citation for different formats (Refworks, EndNote, etc.) can be found at: (another version)

Access Control Policy Specification Language Based on Metamodel (in Chinese)

#### **Videos**

- A Secure Vault implementing authorization middleware with Casbin -JuniorDevSG
- Sharing user permissions in a micro-service architecture based on Casbin (in Russian)
- Nest.js Casbin RESTful RBAC authorization midleware
- Gin Tutorial Chapter 10: Learn Casbin basic models in 30 minutes
- Gin Tutorial Chapter 11: Coding, API and custom function in Casbin
- Gin + Casbin: Learning Permissions in Action (in Chinese)
- jCasbin Basics: A simple RBAC example (in Chinese)
- Golang's RBAC based on Casbin (in Chinese)
- Learning Gin + Casbin (1): Opening & Overview (in Chinese)
- ThinkPHP 5.1 + Casbin: Introduction (in Chinese)
- ThinkPHP 5.1 + Casbin: RBAC authorization (in Chinese)
- ThinkPHP 5.1 + Casbin: RESTful & Middleware (in Chinese)
- Quick Start for PHP-Casbin (in Chinese)
- ThinkPHP 5.1 + Casbin: How to use custom matching functions (in Chinese)
- Webman + Casbin: How to use Webman Casbin Plugin (in Chinese)

### PERM Meta-Model (Policy, Effect, Request, Matchers)

- Understanding Casbin with different Access Control Model Configurations
- Modeling Authorization with PERM in Casbin
- Designing a Flexible Permissions System with Casbin
- Authorize with Access Control Lists
- Access control with PERM and Casbin (in Persian)
- RBAC? ABAC? .. PERM! New Way of Authorization for Cloud-Based Web

Services and Apps (in Russian)

- Practice & Examples of Flexible Authorization Using Casbin & PERM (in Russian)
- Permission management with Casbin (in Chinese)
- Analysis of Casbin (in Chinese)
- Design of System Permissions (in Chinese)
- Casbin: A Permission Engine (in Chinese)
- Implementing ABAC with Casbin (in Chinese)
- Source code analysis of Casbin (in Chinese)
- Permission evaluation with Casbin (in Chinese)
- Casbin: Library of the day for Go (in Chinese)

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#### **HTTP & RESTful**

 Basic Role-Based HTTP Authorization in Go with Casbin (or Chinese translation)

#### Watcher

RBAC Distributed Synchronization via Casbin Watcher (in Chinese)

#### Beego

- Using Casbin with Beego: 1. Get started and test (in Chinese)
- Using Casbin with Beego: 2. Policy storage (in Chinese)
- Using Casbin with Beego: 3. Policy query (in Chinese)
- Using Casbin with Beego: 4. Policy update (in Chinese)
- Using Casbin with Beego: 5. Policy update (continued) (in Chinese)

#### Gin

- Authorization in Golang Projects using Casbin
- Tutorial: Integrate Gin with Casbin
- · Policy enforcements on K8s with Pipeline
- Authentication and authorization in Gin application with JWT and Casbin
- Backend API with Go: 1. Authentication based on JWT (in Chinese)
- Backend API with Go: 2. Authorization based on Casbin (in Chinese)
- Using Go's authorization library Casbin with Gin and GORM (in Japanese)

#### **Echo**

Web authorization with Casbin

#### Iris

- Iris + Casbin: Practice for permission management (in Chinese)
- Role-based access control for HTTP based on Casbin (in Chinese)
- Learning iris + Casbin from scratch

#### **VMware Harbor**

- Casbin: Golang access control framework (in Chinese)
- Access control in Harbor (in Chinese)

### Argo CD

Organizational RBAC in Argo CD with Casbin

#### **GShark**

 GShark: Scan for sensitive information in Github easily and effectively (in Chinese)

#### **SpringBoot**

- jCasbin: a more light-weight permission management solution (in Chinese)
- Integrating jCasbin with JFinal (in Chinese)

#### **Express**

How to Add Role-Based-Access-Control to Your Serverless HTTP API on AWS

#### Koa

- · Authorisation with Casbin and Koa Part 1
- Authorisation with Casbin and Koa Part 2

#### Nest

- How to Create Role based Authorization Middleware with Casbin and Nest.js
- nest.js: Casbin RESTful RBAC authorization middleware (Video)
- A Demo App of Attribute-based Access Control in Node.js Based on Casbin
- Multi tenant SaaS starter kit with cgrs graphql microservice architecture

#### **Fastify**

- · Access Control in Node.js with Fastify and Casbin
- Casbin, Powerful and Efficient ACL for Your Projects

#### Laravel

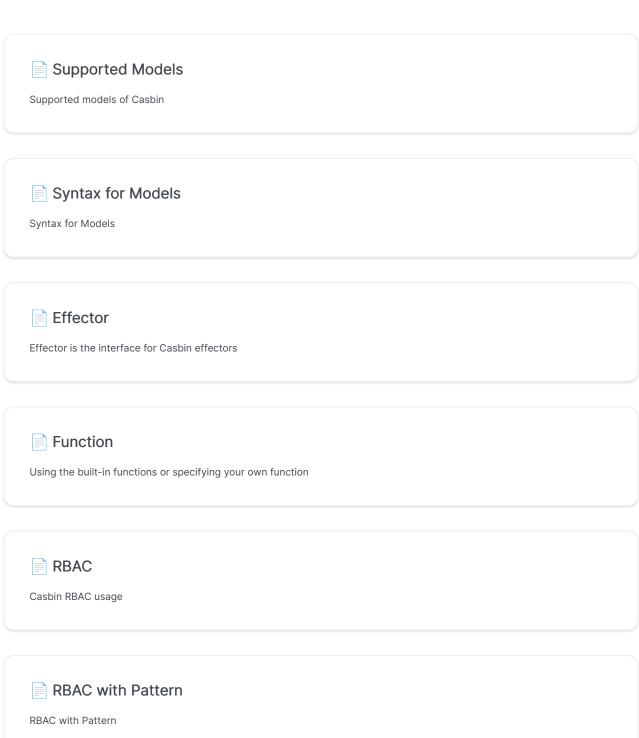
- Laravel authorization: authorization library supporting ACL, RBAC, ABAC and other models
- Using Casbin for authorization in dotnet
- Basic Role-Based HTTP Authorization in Rust with Casbin
- How to use casbin authorization in your rust web-app [Part 1]
- How to use casbin authorization in your rust web-app [Part 2]

## **APISIX**

• Authorization in APISIX using Casbin



# Model





# Supported Models

- 1. ACL (Access Control List)
- 2. ACL with superuser
- 3. ACL without users: especially useful for systems that don't have authentication or user log-ins.
- 4. ACL without resources: some scenarios may target for a type of resources instead of an individual resource by using permissions like write-article, read-log. It doesn't control the access to a specific article or log.
- 5. RBAC (Role-Based Access Control)
- 6. **RBAC with resource roles**: both users and resources can have roles (or groups) at the same time.
- 7. RBAC with domains/tenants: users can have different role sets for different domains/tenants.
- 8. ABAC (Attribute-Based Access Control): syntax sugar like resource. Owner can be used to get the attribute for a resource.
- 9. RESTful: supports paths like /res/\*, /res/:id and HTTP methods like GET, POST, PUT, DELETE.
- 10. **Deny-override**: both allow and deny authorizations are supported, deny overrides the allow.
- 11. Priority: the policy rules can be prioritized like firewall rules.

## **Examples**

| Model              | Model file                 | Policy file      |  |  |
|--------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--|--|
| ACL                | basic_model.conf           | basic_policy.csv |  |  |
| ACL with superuser | basic_with_root_model.conf | basic_policy.csv |  |  |

| Model                             | Model file                          | Policy file                         |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ACL<br>without<br>users           | basic_without_users_model.conf      | basic_without_users_policy.csv      |
| ACL<br>without<br>resources       | basic_without_resources_model.conf  | basic_without_resources_policy.csv  |
| RBAC                              | rbac_model.conf                     | rbac_policy.csv                     |
| RBAC<br>with<br>resource<br>roles | rbac_with_resource_roles_model.conf | rbac_with_resource_roles_policy.csv |
| RBAC with domains/ tenants        | rbac_with_domains_model.conf        | rbac_with_domains_policy.csv        |
| ABAC                              | abac_model.conf                     | N/A                                 |
| RESTful                           | keymatch_model.conf                 | keymatch_policy.csv                 |
| Deny-<br>override                 | rbac_with_not_deny_model.conf       | rbac_with_deny_policy.csv           |
| Allow-<br>and-deny                | rbac_with_deny_model.conf           | rbac_with_deny_policy.csv           |
| Priority                          | priority_model.conf                 | priority_policy.csv                 |
| Explicit<br>Priority              | priority_model_explicit             | priority_policy_explicit.csv        |

| Model                | Model file                  | Policy file                  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Subject-<br>Priority | subject_priority_model.conf | subject_priority_policyl.csv |  |  |  |

# Syntax for Models

- A model CONF should have at least four sections: [request\_definition],
   [policy\_definition], [policy\_effect], [matchers].
- If a model uses RBAC, it should also add the [role\_definition] section.
- A model CONF can contain comments. The comments start with #, and # will comment the rest of the line.

## Request definition

[request\_definition] is the definition for the access request. It defines the arguments in e.Enforce(...) function.

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act
```

sub, obj, act represents the classic triple: accessing entity (Subject), accessed resource (Object) and the access method (Action). However, you can customize your own request form, like sub, act if you don't need to specify an particular resource, or sub, sub2, obj, act if you somehow have two accessing entities.

## Policy definition

[policy\_definition] is the definition for the policy. It defines the meaning of

the policy. For example, we have the following model:

```
[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act
p2 = sub, act
```

And we have the following policy (if in a policy file)

```
p, alice, data1, read
p2, bob, write-all-objects
```

Each line in a policy is called a policy rule. Each policy rule starts with a policy type, e.g., p, p2. It is used to match the policy definition if there are multiple definitions. The above policy shows the following binding. The binding can be used in the matcher.

```
(alice, data1, read) -> (p.sub, p.obj, p.act)
(bob, write-all-objects) -> (p2.sub, p2.act)
```



The elements in a policy rule are always regarded as string. If you have any question about this, please see the discussion at: <a href="https://github.com/">https://github.com/</a> casbin/casbin/issues/113

# Policy effect

[policy\_effect] is the definition for the policy effect. It defines whether the access request should be approved if multiple policy rules match the request. For

example, one rule permits and the other denies.

```
[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))
```

The above policy effect means if there's any matched policy rule of allow, the final effect is allow (aka allow-override). p.eft is the effect for a policy, it can be allow or deny. It's optional and the default value is allow. So as we didn't specify it above, it uses the default value.

Another example for policy effect is:

```
[policy_effect]
e = !some(where (p.eft == deny))
```

It means if there's no matched policy rules of deny, the final effect is allow (aka deny-override). some means: if there exists one matched policy rule. any means: all matched policy rules (not used here). The policy effect can even be connected with logic expressions:

```
[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow)) && !some(where (p.eft == deny))
```

It means at least one matched policy rule of allow, and there is no matched policy rule of deny. So in this way, both the allow and deny authorizations are supported, and the deny overrides.

(i) NOTE

Although we designed the syntax of policy effect as above, the current

implementations only use hard-coded policy effect, as we found there's no much need for that sort of flexibility. So for now, you must use one of the built-in policy effects instead of customizing your own one.

The supported built-in policy effects are:

| Policy effect  | Meaning                  | Example              |
|--|--------------------------|----------------------|
| some(where (p.eft == allow))                                 | allow-override           | ACL,<br>RBAC, etc.   |
| !some(where (p.eft == deny))                                 | deny-override            | Deny-<br>override    |
| some(where (p.eft == allow)) && !some(where (p.eft == deny)) | allow-and-<br>deny       | Allow-and-<br>deny   |
| priority(p.eft)    deny                                      | priority                 | Priority             |
| subjectPriority(p.eft)                                       | priority base<br>on role | Subject-<br>Priority |

## **Matchers**

[matchers] is the definition for policy matchers. The matchers are expressions. It defines how the policy rules are evaluated against the request.

[matchers]

The above matcher is the simplest, it means that the subject, object and action in a request should match the ones in a policy rule.

You can use arithmetic like +, -, \*, / and logical operators like &&, ||, ! in matchers.

### Orders of expressions in matchers

The order of expressions can greatly affect performance. Look at the following example for details:

```
const rbac_models = `
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act
[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act
[role_definition]
g = _{-}, _{-}
[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))
[matchers]
m = g(r.sub, p.sub) \&\& r.obj == p.obj \&\& r.act == p.act
func TestManyRoles(t *testing.T) {
    m, _ := model.NewModelFromString(rbac_models)
    e, _ := NewEnforcer(m, false)
    roles := []string{"admin", "manager", "developer", "tester"}
```

The enforce time may be very very long, up to 6 seconds

```
go test -run ^TestManyRoles$ github.com/casbin/casbin/v2 -v
=== RUN
         TestManyRoles
    rbac_api_test.go:598: RESPONSE abu
/projects/1
                  GET : true IN: 438.379µs
    rbac_api_test.go:598: RESPONSE abu
                                            /projects/
2499
        GET: true IN: 39.005173ms
    rbac_api_test.go:598: RESPONSE jasmine
                  GET: true IN: 1.774319ms
/projects/1
    rbac_api_test.go:598: RESPONSE jasmine
                                             /projects/
        GET: true IN: 6.164071648s
    rbac_api_test.go:600: More than 100 milliseconds for
jasmine /projects/2499 GET : 6.164071648s
    rbac_api_test.go:598: RESPONSE jasmine
                                            /projects/
        GET: true IN: 12.164122ms
--- FAIL: TestManyRoles (6.24s)
FAIL
FAIL
       github.com/casbin/casbin/v2 6.244s
FAIL
```

However, if we can adjust the order of the expressions in matchers, and put more time-consuming expressions like functions behind, the execution time will be very short. Changing the order of expressions in matchers in the above example to

```
[matchers]
m = r.obj == p.obj && g(r.sub, p.sub) && r.act == p.act

go test -run ^TestManyRoles$ github.com/casbin/casbin/v2 -v
=== RUN    TestManyRoles
    rbac_api_test.go:599: RESPONSE abu
/projects/1    GET : true IN: 786.635µs
```

## Multiple sections type

If you need multiple policy definitions or multiple matcher, you can use like p2, m2. In fact, all of the above four sections can use multiple types and the syntax is r+number, such as r2, e2. By default these four sections should correspond one to one. Such as your r2 will only use matcher m2 to match policies p2.

You can pass in EnforceContext as the first parameter of enforce method to specify the types, the EnforceContext is like this

Go Node.js Java

```
EnforceContext{"r2", "p2", "e2", "m2"}
type EnforceContext struct {
    RType string
    PType string
    EType string
    MType string
}
const enforceContext = new EnforceContext('r2', 'p2', 'e2',
'm2');
class EnforceContext {
  constructor(rType, pType, eType, mType) {
    this.pType = pType;
    this.eType = eType;
    this.mType = mType;
    this.rType = rType;
 }
}
```

```
EnforceContext enforceContext = new EnforceContext("2");
public class EnforceContext {
    private String pType;
    private String eType;
    private String mType;
    private String rType;
    public EnforceContext(String suffix) {
        this.pType = "p" + suffix;
        this.eType = "e" + suffix;
        this.mType = "m" + suffix;
        this.rType = "r" + suffix;
    }
}
```

Example usage, see model and policy, the request is as follows

Go Node.js Java

```
// Pass in a suffix as parameter to NewEnforceContext, such as 2
or 3 and it will create r2,p2,etc..
enforceContext := NewEnforceContext("2")
// You can also specify a certain type individually
enforceContext.EType = "e"
// Don't pass in EnforceContext, the default is r,p,e,m
e.Enforce("alice", "data2", "read") // true
// pass in EnforceContext
e.Enforce(enforceContext, struct{ Age int }{Age: 70}, "/data1",
"read") //false
e.Enforce(enforceContext, struct{ Age int }{Age: 30}, "/data1",
"read") //true
```

```
// Pass in a suffix as parameter to NewEnforceContext, such as 2
or 3 and it will create r2, p2, etc...
EnforceContext enforceContext = new EnforceContext("2");
// You can also specify a certain type individually
enforceContext.seteType("e");
// Don't pass in EnforceContext, the default is r, p, e, m
e.enforce("alice", "data2", "read"); // true
// Pass in EnforceContext
// TestEvalRule is located in https://github.com/casbin/jcasbin/
blob/master/src/test/java/org/casbin/jcasbin/main/
AbacAPIUnitTest.java#L56
e.enforce(enforceContext, new
AbacAPIUnitTest.TestEvalRule("alice", 70), "/data1", "read");
// false
e.enforce(enforceContext, new
AbacAPIUnitTest.TestEvalRule("alice", 30), "/data1", "read");
// true
```

## **Special Grammer**

You could also use in, the only operator with a text name. This operator checks the right-hand side array to see if it contains a value that is equal to the left-side value. Equality is determined by the use of the == operator, and this library doesn't check types between the values. Any two values, when cast to interface{}, and can still be checked for equality with == will act as expected. Note that you can use a parameter for the array, but it must be an []interface{}.

Also refer to rbac\_model\_matcher\_using\_in\_op, keyget2\_model and keyget\_model

Example:

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj
...
[matchers]
m = r.sub.Name in (r.obj.Admins)

e.Enforce(Sub{Name: "alice"}, Obj{Name: "a book", Admins:
[]interface{}{"alice", "bob"}})
```

## **Expression evaluator**

The matcher evaluation in Casbin is implemented by expression evaluators in each language. Casbin integrates their powers to provide the unified PERM language. Besides all the model syntax provided here, those expression evaluators may provide extra functionality, which may be not supported by another language or implementation. Use it at your own risk.

The expression evaluators used by each Casbin implementation are:

| Implementation | Language | Expression evaluator                              |
|----------------|----------|---|
| Casbin         | Golang   | https://github.com/Knetic/govaluate               |
| jCasbin        | Java     | https://github.com/killme2008/aviator             |
| Node-Casbin    | Node.js  | https://github.com/donmccurdy/expression-<br>eval |
| PHP-Casbin     | PHP      | https://github.com/symfony/expression-            |

| Implementation | Language | Expression evaluator   |
|----------------|----------|--|
|                |          | language   |
| PyCasbin       | Python   | https://github.com/danthedeckie/simpleeval   |
| Casbin.NET     | C#       | https://github.com/davideicardi/<br>DynamicExpresso  |
| Casbin4D       | Delphi   | https://github.com/casbin4d/Casbin4D/tree/<br>master/SourceCode/Common/Third%20Party/<br>TExpressionParser |
| casbin-rs      | Rust     | https://github.com/jonathandturner/rhai  |
| casbin-cpp     | C++      | https://github.com/ArashPartow/exprtk  |

### (i) NOTE

If you encounter performance issue about Casbin, it's probably caused by the low efficiency of the expression evaluator. You can both send issue to Casbin or the expression evaluator directly for advice to speed up. See <a href="Benchmarks">Benchmarks</a> section for details.

## Effector

Effect is the result of a policy rule. And the Effector is the interface for Casbin effectors.

### MergeEffects()

MergeEffects merges all matching results collected by the enforcer into a single decision.

For example:

Go

```
Effect, explainIndex, err = e.MergeEffects(expr, effects,
matches, policyIndex, policyLength)
```

In this example:

- Effect is the final decision being merged by this function(Initialized as Indeterminate).
- explainIndex is the index of eft which is Allow or Deny .(Initialized as
   -1)
- err is used to check if the effect is supported.
- expr is the policy effects stored as string
- effects is the array of the Effect which can be Allow, Indeterminate or Deny

- matches is the array showing that if the result is matching the policy.
- policyIndex is the index of policy in the model.
- policyLength is the length of the policy.

The code above illustrates how can we pass the parameters to the MergeEffects function and the function will process the effects and matches based on the expr

To deploy an Effector, we can do this:

Go

```
var e Effector
Effect, explainIndex, err = e.MergeEffects(expr, effects,
matches, policyIndex, policyLength)
```

The basic idea of the MergeEffects indicates that if the expr can match the results which means that the p\_eft is allow, then we can merge all effects at last. And if there are no deny rules are matched, then we allow.

```
if the expr can not match "priority(p_eft) || deny" and also the policyIndex is shorter than policyLength-1, it will short-circuit some effects in the middle.
```

### **Function**

### Functions in matchers

You can even specify functions in a matcher to make it more powerful. You can use the built-in functions or specify your own function. The built-in key-matching functions take such a format:

```
bool function_name(string url, string pattern)
```

It returns a boolean indicating whether url matches pattern.

The supported built-in functions are:

| Function   | url   | pattern  | Example   |
|------------|---|--|---|
| keyMatch   | a URL path like /alice_data/ resource1                | a URL path or a * pattern like /alice_data/*               | keymatch_model.conf/keymatch_policy.csv   |
| keyMatch2  | a URL path like /alice_data/ resource1                | a URL path or a : pattern like /alice_data/:resource       | keymatch2_model.conf/keymatch2_policy.csv   |
| keyMatch3  | a URL path like /alice_data/ resource1                | a URL path or a {} pattern like<br>/alice_data/{resource}  | https://github.com/casbin/casbin/blob/<br>277c1a2b85698272f764d71a94d2595a8d425915/<br>util/builtin_operators_test.go#L171-L196 |
| keyMatch4  | a URL path like<br>/alice_data/<br>123/book/123       | a URL path or a {} pattern like /alice_data/{id}/book/{id} | https://github.com/casbin/casbin/blob/<br>277c1a2b85698272f764d71a94d2595a8d425915/<br>util/builtin_operators_test.go#L208-L222 |
| regexMatch | any string  | a regular expression pattern                               | keymatch_model.conf/keymatch_policy.csv   |
| ipMatch    | an IP address like                                    | an IP address or a CIDR like [192.168.2.0/24]              | ipmatch_model.conf/ipmatch_policy.csv   |
| globMatch  | a path-like path<br>like<br>/alice_data/<br>resource1 | a glob pattern like /alice_data/*                          | https://github.com/casbin/casbin/blob/<br>277c1a2b85698272f764d71a94d2595a8d425915/<br>util/builtin_operators_test.go#L426-L466 |

For key-getting functions, they usually take three parameters(except keyGet):

```
bool function_name(string url, string pattern, string key_name)
```

They will return the value of the key key\_name if it matches the pattern, and return [""] if nothing is matched.

For example, <code>KeyGet2("/resource1/action", "/:res/action, "res")</code> will return <code>"resource1"</code>, <code>KeyGet3("/resource1\_admin/action", "/{res}\_admin/\*", "res")</code> will return <code>"resource1"</code>. As for <code>KeyGet</code>, which takes two parameters, <code>KeyGet("/resource1/action", "/\*)</code> will return <code>"resource1/action"</code>.

| Function | url                                    | pattern  | key_name                                   | example   |
|----------|--|--|--|---|
| keyGet   | a URL path like /proj/ resource1       | a URL path or a * pattern like /proj/*                 | \  | keyget_model.conf/keymatch_policy.csv   |
| keyGet2  | a URL path<br>like /proj/<br>resource1 | a URL path or : pattern like /prooj/:resource          | key name<br>specified<br>in the<br>pattern | keyget2_model.conf/keymatch2_policy.csv   |
| keyGet3  | a URL path like /proj/ res3_admin/     | a URL path or {} pattern like /proj/{resource}_admin/* | key name<br>specified<br>in the<br>pattern | https://github.com/casbin/casbin/blob/<br>7bd496f94f5a2739a392d333a9aaaa10ae397673/<br>util/builtin_operators_test.go#L209-L247 |

See details for above functions at: https://github.com/casbin/casbin/blob/master/util/builtin\_operators\_test.go

### How to add a customized function

First prepare your function. It takes several parameters and return a bool:

```
func KeyMatch(key1 string, key2 string) bool {
    i := strings.Index(key2, "*")
    if i == -1 {
        return key1 == key2
    }

    if len(key1) > i {
        return key1[:i] == key2[:i]
    }
    return key1 == key2[:i]
}
```

Then wrap it with interface{} types:

```
func KeyMatchFunc(args ...interface{}) (interface{}, error) {
   name1 := args[0].(string)
   name2 := args[1].(string)

   return (bool)(KeyMatch(name1, name2)), nil
}
```

At last, register the function to the Casbin enforcer:

```
e.AddFunction("my_func", KeyMatchFunc)
```

Now, you can use the function in your model CONF like this:

```
[matchers]
m = r.sub == p.sub && my_func(r.obj, p.obj) && r.act == p.act
```

## **RBAC**

### Role definition

[role\_definition] is the definition for the RBAC role inheritance relations.

Casbin supports multiple instances of RBAC systems, e.g., users can have roles and their inheritance relations, and resources can have roles and their inheritance relations too. These two RBAC systems won't interfere.

This section is optional. If you don't use RBAC roles in the model, then omit this section.

```
[role_definition]
g = _, _
g2 = _, _
```

The above role definition shows that g is a RBAC system, and g2 is another RBAC system. \_\_, \_ means there are two parties inside an inheritance relation. As a common case, you usually use g alone if you only need roles on users. You can also use g and g2 when you need roles (or groups) on both users and resources. Please see the rbac\_model.conf and rbac\_model\_with\_resource\_roles.conf for examples.

Casbin stores the actual user-role mapping (or resource-role mapping if you are using roles on resources) in the policy, for example:

```
p, data2_admin, data2, read
g, alice, data2_admin
```

It means alice inherits/is a member of role data2\_admin. alice here can be a user, a resource or a role. Casbin only recognizes it as a string.

Then in a matcher, you should check the role as below:

```
[matchers]
m = g(r.sub, p.sub) && r.obj == p.obj && r.act == p.act
```

It means sub in the request should have the role sub in the policy.

### (i) NOTE

- 1. Casbin only stores the user-role mapping.
- 2. Casbin doesn't verify whether a user is a valid user, or role is a valid role. That should be taken care of by authentication.
- 3. Do not use the same name for a user and a role inside a RBAC system, because Casbin recognizes users and roles as strings, and there's no way for Casbin to know whether you are specifying user alice or role alice. You can simply solve it by using role\_alice.
- 4. If A has role B, B has role C, then A has role C. This transitivity is infinite for now.

### (!) TOKEN NAME CONVENTION

Conventionally subject token name in policy definition is sub and placed in the beginning. Now Golang Casbin supports customized token name & place. If the subject token name is sub, the subject token can be placed at an arbitrary place and no extra action needs. If the subject token name is not sub, e.SetFieldIndex() for constant.SubjectIndex should be called after the enforcer is initialized regardless of its position.

```
# `subject` here for sub
[policy_definition]
p = obj, act, subject

e.SetFieldIndex("p", constant.SubjectIndex, 2) // index
start from 0
ok, err := e.DeleteUser("alice") // without SetFieldIndex,
it will raise an error
```

## Role hierarchy

Casbin's RBAC supports RBAC1's role hierarchy feature, meaning if alice has role1, role1 has role2, then alice will also have role2 and inherit its permissions.

Here is a concept called hierarchy level. So the hierarchy level for this example is 2. For the built-in role manager in Casbin, you can specify the max hierarchy level. The default value is 10. It means an end user like alice can only inherit 10 levels of roles.

```
// NewRoleManager is the constructor for creating an instance
of the
// default RoleManager implementation.
func NewRoleManager(maxHierarchyLevel int) rbac.RoleManager {
    rm := RoleManager{}
    rm.allRoles = &sync.Map{}
    rm.maxHierarchyLevel = maxHierarchyLevel
    rm.hasPattern = false
```

## How to distinguish role from user?

Casbin doesn't distinguish role from user in its RBAC. They are all treated as strings. If you only use single-level RBAC (a role will never be a member of another role). You can use <code>e.GetAllSubjects()</code> to get all users and <code>e.GetAllRoles()</code> to get all roles. They just list all <code>u</code> and all <code>r</code> respectively in all <code>g, u, r</code> rules.

But if you are using multi-level RBAC (with role hierarchy), and your application doesn't record whether a name (string) is a user or a role, or you have user and role with same name. You can add a prefix to role like role::admin before passing it to Casbin. So you will know if it's a role by checking this prefix.

# How to query implicit roles or permissions?

When a user inherits a role or permission via RBAC hierarchy instead of directly assigning them in a policy rule, we call such type of assignment as implicit. To query such implicit relations, you need to use these 2 APIs:

GetImplicitRolesForUser() and GetImplicitPermissionsForUser() instead of GetRolesForUser() and GetPermissionsForUser(). For more details, please see this GitHub issue.

## Use pattern matching in RBAC

See RBAC with Pattern

## Role manager

See Role Managers section for details.

## **RBAC** with Pattern

### **Quick Start**

use pattern in g(\_,\_)

```
e, _ := NewEnforcer("./example.conf", "./example.csv")
e.AddNamedMatchingFunc("g", "KeyMatch2", util.KeyMatch2)
```

use pattern with domain

```
e.AddNamedDomainMatchingFunc("g","KeyMatch2",util.KeyMatch2)
```

use all pattern

just combined use of two APIs

As shown above, after you create the enforcer instance, you need to activate pattern matching via AddNamedMatchingFunc and AddNamedDomainMatchingFunc API, which determine how the pattern matches.

(i) NOTE

If you use the online editor, it specifies the pattern matching function in the lower left corner.

```
Request

matchingDomainForGFunction:
    'keyMatch'

13 */
14 matchingForGFunction:
    'keyMatch2',

15
    matchingDomainForGFunction:
    'keyMatch2'

16 };

17 }) ();
```

## Use pattern matching in RBAC

Sometimes, you want some subjects, object or domains/tenants with the specific pattern to be automatically granted to a role. Pattern matching functions in RBAC can help you do that. A pattern matching function shares the same parameters and return value as the previous matcher function.

The pattern matching function supports each parameter of g.

We know that normally RBAC is expressed as g(r.sub, p.sub) in matcher. Then we will use policy like:

```
p, alice, book_group, read
g, /book/1, book_group
g, /book/2, book_group
```

So alice can read all books including book 1 and book 2. But there can be thousands of books and it's very tedious to add each book to the book role (or

group) with one g policy rule.

But with pattern matching functions, you can write the policy with only one line:

```
g, /book/:id, book_group
```

Casbin will automatically match /book/1 and /book/2 into pattern /book/:id for you. You only need to register the function with the enforcer like:

Go Node.js

```
e.AddNamedMatchingFunc("g", "KeyMatch2", util.KeyMatch2)
await e.addNamedMatchingFunc('g', Util.keyMatch2Func);
```

When Using a pattern matching function in domains/tenants, You need to register the function to enforcer and model.

Go Node.js

```
e.AddNamedDomainMatchingFunc("g", "KeyMatch2", util.KeyMatch2)
await e.addNamedDomainMatchingFunc('g', Util.keyMatch2Func);
```

If you don't understand what g(r.sub, p.sub, r.dom) means, please read rbac-with-domains. In short, g(r.sub, p.sub, r.dom) will check whether the user r.sub has a role p.sub in the domain r.dom. So this is how the matcher work. You can see the full example here.

Apart from the pattern matching syntax above, we can also use pure domain pattern.

For example, if we want sub to have access in different domains, domain1 and domain2, we can use the pure domain pattern:

```
p, admin, domain1, data1, read
p, admin, domain1, data1, write
p, admin, domain2, data2, read
p, admin, domain2, data2, write

g, alice, admin, *
g, bob, admin, domain2
```

In this example, we want alice to read and write data in domain1 and domain2, pattern matching \* in g makes alice have the access to two domains.

By using pattern matching, especially in the scenarios which is more complicated and there are a lot of domains or objects we need to take into consideration, we can implement the policy\_definition more elegant and effective.

## **RBAC** with Domains

### Role definition with domains tenants

The RBAC roles in Casbin can be global or domain-specific. Domain-specify roles mean that the roles for a user can be different when the user is at different domains/tenants. This is very useful for large systems like a cloud, as the users are usually in different tenants.

The role definition with domains/tenants should be something like:

```
[role_definition]
g = _, _, _
```

The 3rd \_\_ means the name of domain/tenant, this part should not be changed. Then the policy can be:

```
p, admin, tenant1, data1, read
p, admin, tenant2, data2, read

g, alice, admin, tenant1
g, alice, user, tenant2
```

It means admin role in tenant1 can read data1. And alice has admin role in tenant1, and has user role in tenant2. So she can read data1. However, since alice is not an admin in tenant2, she cannot read data2.

Then in a matcher, you should check the role as below:

```
[matchers]
m = g(r.sub, p.sub, r.dom) && r.dom == p.dom && r.obj == p.obj
&& r.act == p.act
```

Please see the rbac\_with\_domains\_model.conf for examples.

### ! TOKEN NAME CONVENTION

Note: Conventionally domain token name in policy definition is dom and placed as the second token(sub, dom, obj, act). Now Golang Casbin supports customized token name & place. If the domain token name is dom, the domain token can be placed at an arbitrary place and no extra action needs. If the domain token name is not dom, e.SetFieldIndex() for constant.DomainIndex should be called after the enforcer is initialized regardless of its position.

```
# `domain` here for `dom`
[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act, domain
```

```
e.SetFieldIndex("p", constant.DomainIndex, 3) // index
start from 0
users := e.GetAllUsersByDomain("domain1") // without
SetFieldIndex, it will raise an error
```

## Casbin RBAC vs. RBAC96

### Casbin RBAC and RBAC96

In this document, we'll compare Casbin RBAC with RBAC96.

Casbin RBAC supports almost all the features of RBAC96, and added new features above that.

| RBAC<br>version | Support Level   | Description  |
|-----------------|---|--|
| RBAC0           | fully supported   | RBAC0 is the basic version of RBAC96. It clarified the relationship between Users, Roles and Permissions.  |
| RBAC1           | fully supported   | RBAC1 added role hierarchies on RBAC0, meaning if alice has role1, role1 has role2, then alice will also have role2 and inherit its permissions. |
| RBAC2           | mutually exclusive handling is supported (like this), but quantitative limits are not | RBAC2 added constrains on RBAC0. So RBAC2 can handle mutually exclusions found in policies.  |

| RBAC<br>version | Support Level   | Description   |
|-----------------|---|---|
| RBAC3           | mutually exclusive handling is supported (like this), but quantitative limits are not | RBAC3 is a combination of RBAC1 and RBAC2. RBAC3 supports role hierarchies and constrains in RBAC1 and RBAC2. |

# Difference between Casbin RBAC and RBAC96

1. In Casbin, the distinction between User and Role is not clear

In Casbin, both the User and the Role are treated as strings. If you wrote a policy file like this:

```
p, admin, book, read
p, alice, book, read
g, amber, admin
```

and call method <a href="GetAllSubjects">GetAllSubjects</a>() like this (e is an instance of Casbin Enforcer):

```
e.GetAllSubjects()
```

then you will get the return value below:

```
[admin alice]
```

Because in Casbin, Subjects included Users and Roles.

However, if you call method GetAllRoles() like this:

```
e.GetAllRoles()
```

then you will get the return value below:

```
[admin]
```

And now you know there is a distinction between Users and Roles in Casbin, but is not as sharp as in RBAC96. Of course you can add some prefix to your policies like user::alice, role::admin to clarify their relationships.

2. Casbin RBAC provides more permissions than RBAC96

Only 7 permissions are defined in RBAC96: read, write, append, execute, credit, debit, inquiry.

However, in Casbin, we treat permissions as strings. This way, you can create some permissions suit you better.

3. Casbin RBAC supports domains

In Casbin, you can do authorizations by domains. This feature made your Access Control Model more flexible.

## **ABAC**

## What is the ABAC model actually?

ABAC is Attribute-Based Access Control, meaning you can use the attributes (properties) of the subject, object or action instead of themselves (the string) to control the access. You may already hear of a complicated ABAC access control language named XACML. Compared to XACML, Casbin's ABAC is very simple: in ABAC, you can use structs (or class instances based on the programming language) instead of string for model elements.

Use the official ABAC example for example:

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act

[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act

[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))

[matchers]
m = r.sub == r.obj.Owner
```

We use r.obj.Owner instead of r.obj in the matcher. The r.obj passed in the Enforce() function will be a struct or class instance instead of string. Casbin will use reflection to retrieve the obj member variable in that struct or class for you.

Here is a definition for the r.obj struct or class:

```
type testResource struct {
   Name string
   Owner string
}
```

### How to use ABAC?

Simply speaking, to use ABAC, you need to do two things:

- 1. Specify the attributes in the model matcher.
- 2. Pass in the struct or class instance for the element as the argument in Casbin's Enforce() function.



Currently, only request elements like r.sub, r.obj, r.act and so on support ABAC. You cannot use it on policy elements like p.sub, because there is no way to define a struct or class in Casbin's policy.

You can use multiple ABAC attributes in a matcher, for example: m = r.sub.Domain == r.obj.Domain.



If you need to use comma in policy which conflicts with csv's separator and we need to escape it. Casbin parses policy file through <u>csv library</u>, you could surround statement with quotation marks. For example,

"keyMatch("bob", r.sub.Role)" will not be split.

# Scaling the model for complex and large number of ABAC rules.

The above instance of ABAC implementation is at its core very simple, but oftentimes the authorization system needs a very complex and large number of ABAC rules. To fit this necessity the above implementation will increase the verbosity of the model to a large extent. So, it's wise to add the rules in the policy instead of in the model. This is done by introducing a eval() functional construct. Below is the example instance to manage such ABAC models.

This is the definition of the CONF file used for defining the ABAC model.

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act

[policy_definition]
p = sub_rule, obj, act

[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))

[matchers]
m = eval(p.sub_rule) && r.obj == p.obj && r.act == p.act
```

Here, p.sub\_rule is of type struct or class(user-defined type) which consists of necessary attributes to be used in the policy.

This is the policy that is used against the model for Enforcement. Now, you can use the object instance which is passed to eval() as a parameter to define certain ABAC constraints.

```
p, r.sub.Age > 18, /data1, read
```

p, r.sub.Age < 60, /data2, write

## **Priority Model**

Casbin support load policies with priority.

### Load Policy with Priority Implicitly

It's quite simple, the order determines the priority, policy appeared earlier has higher priority.

model.conf:

```
[policy_effect]
e = priority(p.eft) || deny
```

## Load Policy with Priority Explicitly

Also see: casbin#550

The smaller priority value will have a higher priority. If there's a non-numerical character in priority, it will be in the last, rather than throw an error.

### (!) TOKEN NAME CONVENTION

The priority token name in policy definition is "priority" conventionally. A customized one requires invoking <code>e.SetFieldIndex()</code> and reload policies (full example on <code>TestCustomizedFieldIndex()</code>).

#### model.conf:

```
[policy_definition]
p = customized_priority, sub, obj, act, eft
```

#### Golang code example:

```
e, _ := NewEnforcer("./example/
priority_model_explicit_customized.conf",
                    "./example/
priority_policy_explicit_customized.csv")
// Due to the customized priority token, the enforcer
failed to handle the priority.
ok, err := e.Enforce("bob", "data2", "read") // the result
will be `true, nil`
// set PriorityIndex and reload
e.SetFieldIndex("p", constant.PriorityIndex, 0)
err := e.LoadPolicy()
if err != nil {
    log.Fatalf("LoadPolicy: %v", err)
}
ok, err := e.Enforce("bob", "data2", "read") // the result
will be `false, nil`
```

Now, explicit priority only support AddPolicy & AddPolicies, if UpdatePolicy been called, you shouldn't change the priority attribute.

model.conf:

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act
```

#### policy.csv

```
p, 10, data1_deny_group, data1, read, deny
p, 10, data1_deny_group, data1, write, deny
p, 10, data2_allow_group, data2, read, allow
p, 10, data2_allow_group, data2, write, allow

p, 1, alice, data1, write, allow
p, 1, alice, data1, read, allow
p, 1, bob, data2, read, deny

g, bob, data2_allow_group
g, alice, data1_deny_group
```

#### request:

```
alice, data1, write --> true // for `p, 1, alice, data1, write,
allow` has highest priority
bob, data2, read --> false
bob, data2, write --> true // for bob has role of
`data2_allow_group` which has right to write data2, and there's
no deny policy with higher priority
```

# Load Policy with Priority Based on Role and User Hierarchy

The inherited structure of roles and users can only be multiple trees, not graphs. If one user has multiple roles, you have to make sure the user has the same level in different trees. If two roles have the same level, the policy (the role corresponding) appeared earlier has higher priority. more details also see casbin#833

#### casbin#831

model.conf:

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act

[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act, eft

[role_definition]
g = _, _

[policy_effect]
e = subjectPriority(p.eft) || deny

[matchers]
m = g(r.sub, p.sub) && r.obj == p.obj && r.act == p.act
```

#### policy.csv

```
p, root, data1, read, deny
p, admin, data1, read, deny
p, editor, data1, read, deny
p, subscriber, data1, read, deny
p, jane, data1, read, allow
p, alice, data1, read, allow
g, admin, root

g, editor, admin
g, subscriber, admin
```

#### Request:

```
jane, data1, read --> true // jane is at the bottom,so priority is higher than editor, admin and root alice, data1, read --> true
```

### The role hierarchy like this:

### The priority automatically like this:

```
role: root # auto priority: 30

└─ role: admin # auto priority: 20

├─ role: editor # auto priority: 10

└─ role: subscriber # auto priority: 10
```

## Super Admin

Super Admin is the administrator of the whole system, we can use it in models like RBAC, ABAC and RBAC with domains etc. The detailed example is as follows:

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act

[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act

[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))

[matchers]
m = r.sub == p.sub && r.obj == p.obj && r.act == p.act || r.sub
== "root"
```

It illustrates that as for the defined request\_definition, policy\_definition, policy\_effect and matchers, Casbin judges if the request can match the policy, or most importantly, if the sub is root. Once the judgment is correct, the authorization then is allowed, and the user has permission to do everything. Just like the root of Linux systems, after the users are authorized as root, then we have the permissions to access all the files and settings. So if we want sub to have the full access to the whole system, we can let it become the super admin, then the sub has the permission to do everything.



# Storage



Model storage



Policy Storage

Policy Subset Loading

Loading filtered policy

# **Model Storage**

Unlike the policy, the model can be loaded only, it cannot be saved. Because we think the model is not a dynamic component and should not be modified at runtime, so we don't implement an API to save the model into a storage.

However, the good news is, we provide three equivalent ways to load a model either statically or dynamically:

### Load model from .CONF file

This is the most common way to use Casbin. It's easy to understand for beginners and convenient for sharing when you ask Casbin team for help.

The content of the [.CONF] file examples/rbac\_model.conf:

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act

[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act

[role_definition]
g = _, _

[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))

[matchers]
m = g(r.sub, p.sub) && r.obj == p.obj && r.act == p.act
```

Then you can load the model file as:

```
e := casbin.NewEnforcer("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_policy.csv")
```

### Load model from code

The model can be initialized dynamically from code instead of using .CONF file. Here's an example for the RBAC model:

```
import (
    "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2"
    "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2/model"
    "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2/persist/file-adapter"
)
// Initialize the model from Go code.
m := model.NewModel()
m.AddDef("r", "r", "sub, obj, act")
m.AddDef("p", "p", "sub, obj, act")
m.AddDef("g", "g", "_, _")
m.AddDef("e", "e", "some(where (p.eft == allow))")
m.AddDef("m", "m", "g(r.sub, p.sub) && r.obj == p.obj && r.act
== p.act")
// Load the policy rules from the .CSV file adapter.
// Replace it with your adapter to avoid files.
a := fileadapter.NewAdapter("examples/rbac_policy.csv")
// Create the enforcer.
e := casbin.NewEnforcer(m, a)
```

## Load model from string

Or you can just load the entire model text from a multi-line string. The good point for this way is that you do not need to maintain a model file.

```
import (
    "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2"
    "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2/model"
)
// Initialize the model from a string.
text :=
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act
[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act
[role_definition]
g = _{-}, _{-}
[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))
[matchers]
m = g(r.sub, p.sub) \&\& r.obj == p.obj \&\& r.act == p.act
m, _ := model.NewModelFromString(text)
// Load the policy rules from the .CSV file adapter.
// Replace it with your adapter to avoid files.
a := fileadapter.NewAdapter("examples/rbac_policy.csv")
```

# **Policy Storage**

In Casbin, the policy storage is implemented as an adapter.

## Load policy from .CSV file

This is the most common way to use Casbin. It's easy to understand for beginners and convenient for sharing when you ask Casbin team for help.

The content of the CSV file examples/rbac\_policy.csv:

```
p, alice, data1, read
p, bob, data2, write
p, data2_admin, data2, read
p, data2_admin, data2, write
g, alice, data2_admin
```

#### (i) NOTE

If your file contains commas, , you should wrap it in double quotes, for example:

```
p, alice, "data1, data2", read --correct
p, alice, data1, data2, read --incorrect ("data1, data2"
should be a whole)
```

If your file contains commas, and double quotes", you should enclose

the field in double quotes and double any embedded double quotes.

```
p, alice, data, "r.act in (""get"", ""post"")" --
correct
p, alice, data, "r.act in ("get", "post")" --
incorrect (should use "" to escape "")
```

Related issue: casbin#886

## Adapter API

| Method                 | Туре     | Description  |
|------------------------|----------|--|
| LoadPolicy()           | basic    | Load all policy rules from the storage                     |
| SavePolicy()           | basic    | Save all policy rules to the storage                       |
| AddPolicy()            | optional | Add a policy rule to the storage                           |
| RemovePolicy()         | optional | Remove a policy rule from the storage                      |
| RemoveFilteredPolicy() | optional | Remove policy rules that match the filter from the storage |

## **Database Storage Format**

your policy file

```
p, data2_admin, data2, read
p, data2_admin, data2, write
g, alice, admin
```

#### corresponding database structure (Such as MySQL)

| id | ptype | vO          | v1    | v2    | v3 | v4 | v5 |
|----|-------|-------------|-------|-------|----|----|----|
| 1  | р     | data2_admin | data2 | read  |    |    |    |
| 2  | р     | data2_admin | data2 | write |    |    |    |
| 3  | g     | alice       | admin |       |    |    |    |

#### The meaning of each column

- id: Only exists in the database as the primary key. Not as part of the casbin policy. The way it is generated depends on the specific adapter
- ptype: It corresponds to p, g, g2, etc.
- v0-v5: The column names have no specific meaning, and correspond to the values in the policy csv from left to right. The number of columns depends on how many you define yourself. In theory, there can be an infinite number of columns. But generally only 6 columns are implemented in adapter. If it is not enough for you, please submit an issue to the corresponding adapter repository.

## **Adapter Details**

More details about the use of adapter api and database table structure design,

Please go to: /docs/adapters

# **Policy Subset Loading**

Some adapters support filtered policy management. This means that the policy loaded by Casbin is a subset of the policy in storage based on a given filter. This allows for efficient policy enforcement in large, multi-tenant environments when parsing the entire policy becomes a performance bottleneck.

To use filtered policies with a supported adapter, simply call the LoadFilteredPolicy method. The valid format for the filter parameter depends on the adapter used. To prevent accidental data loss, the SavePolicy method is disabled when a filtered policy is loaded.

For example, the following code snippet uses the built-in filtered file adapter and the RBAC model with domains. In this case, the filter limits the policy to a single domain. Any policy lines for domains other than "domain1" are omitted from the loaded policy:

```
import (
    "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2"
    fileadapter "github.com/casbin/casbin/v2/persist/file-
adapter"
)
enforcer, _ := casbin.NewEnforcer()

adapter := fileadapter.NewFilteredAdapter("examples/
rbac_with_domains_policy.csv")
enforcer.InitWithAdapter("examples/
rbac_with_domains_model.conf", adapter)
```

There's another method support subset loading feature:

LoadIncrementalFilteredPolicy. LoadIncrementalFilteredPolicy is similar to LoadFilteredPolicy, but it does not clear previous loaded policy, only append.



# **Extensions**



Enforcer is the main structure in Casbin, It acts as an interface for users to make operations on policy rules and models

#### Adapters

Supported adapters and usage

#### Watchers

Keeping consistence between multiple Casbin enforcer instances

#### Dispatchers

Dispatcher provide a way to synchronize incremental changes of policy

#### Role Managers

The role manager is used to manage the RBAC role hierarchy in Casbin

#### Middlewares

Casbin middlewares

GraphQL Middlewares

authorization for GraphQL endpoints

Cloud Native Middlewares

Cloud Native Middlewares

# **Enforcers**

Enforcer is the main structure in Casbin. It acts as an interface for users to make operations on policy rules and models.

## Supported enforcers

A complete list of Casbin enforcers is provided as below. Any 3rd-party contribution on a new enforcer is welcomed, please inform us and we will put it in this list:)

Go

| Enforcer       | Author | Description  |
|----------------|--------|--|
| Enforcer       | Casbin | Enforcer is the basic structure for users to interact with Casbin policies and models. You can find more details of Enforcer's API at here.  |
| CachedEnforcer | Casbin | CachedEnforcer is based on Enforcer. It supports to cache the evaluation result of a request in memory by a map and clear caches in a specified expire time. Moreover, it is guaranted to be thread-safe by a Read-Write lock. You can use EnableCache to enable to cache evaluation results (default is enabled). |

| Enforcer            | Author | Description  |
|---------------------|--------|--|
|                     |        | CachedEnforcer's other API is the same as Enforcer's.  |
| DistributedEnforcer | Casbin | DistributedEnforcer supports multiple instances in distributed clusters. It wraps  SyncedEnforcer for dispatcher. You can find more details about dispather at here. |
| SyncedEnforcer      | Casbin | SyncedEnforer is based on Enforcer and provides synchronized access. It is threadsafe.   |



# **Adapters**

In Casbin, the policy storage is implemented as an adapter (aka middleware for Casbin). A Casbin user can use an adapter to load policy rules from a storage (aka LoadPolicy()), or save policy rules to it (aka SavePolicy()). To keep light-weight, we don't put adapter code in the main library.

### Supported adapters

A complete list of Casbin adapters is provided as below. Any 3rd-party contribution on a new adapter is welcomed, please inform us and we will put it in this list:)

Go Java Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Ruby Swift Lua

| Adapter                                | Туре | Author          | AutoSave | Description   |
|--|------|-----------------|----------|---|
| File<br>Adapter<br>(built-in)          | File | Casbin          | ×        | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files   |
| Filtered File<br>Adapter<br>(built-in) | File | @faceless-saint | ×        | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files with policy subset loading support  |
| SQL<br>Adapter                         | SQL  | @Blank-Xu       | V        | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQL Server,<br>SQLite3 are supported in master<br>branch and Oracle is supported in<br>oracle branch by database/sql |
| Xorm<br>Adapter                        | ORM  | Casbin          | V        | MySQL, PostgreSQL, TiDB, SQLite,<br>SQL Server, Oracle are supported by<br>Xorm   |
| GORM                                   | ORM  | Casbin          | <b>V</b> | MySQL, PostgreSQL, Sqlite3, SQL   |

| Adapter                   | Туре | Author      | AutoSave | Description  |
|---------------------------|------|-------------|----------|--|
| Adapter                   |      |             |          | Server are supported by GORM   |
| GORM<br>Adapter Ex        | ORM  | Casbin      | V        | MySQL, PostgreSQL, Sqlite3, SQL<br>Server are supported by GORM  |
| Ent Adapter               | ORM  | Casbin      | V        | MySQL, MariaDB, PostgreSQL,<br>SQLite, Gremlin-based graph<br>databases are supported by ent<br>ORM                    |
| Beego ORM<br>Adapter      | ORM  | Casbin      | V        | MySQL, PostgreSQL, Sqlite3 are supported by Beego ORM  |
| SQLX<br>Adapter           | ORM  | @memwey     | V        | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Oracle are supported by SQLX  |
| Sqlx<br>Adapter           | ORM  | @Blank-Xu   | V        | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQL Server, SQLite3 are supported in master branch and Oracle is supported in oracle branch by sqlx |
| GF ORM<br>Adapter         | ORM  | @vance-liu  | V        | MySQL, SQLite, PostgreSQL, Oracle,<br>SQL Server are supported by<br>GoFrame ORM                                       |
| GoFrame<br>ORM<br>Adapter | ORM  | @kotlin2018 | <b>V</b> | MySQL, SQLite, PostgreSQL, Oracle,<br>SQL Server are supported by<br>GoFrame ORM                                       |
| gf-adapter                | ORM  | @zcyc       | V        | MySQL, SQLite, PostgreSQL, Oracle,<br>SQL Server are supported by<br>GoFrame ORM                                       |
| Gdb<br>Adapter            | ORM  | @jxo-me     | V        | MySQL, SQLite, PostgreSQL, Oracle, SQL Server are supported by   |

| Adapter                           | Туре  | Author         | AutoSave | Description  |
|-----------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------|--|
|                                   |       |                |          | GoFrame ORM  |
| GoFrame<br>V2 Adapter             | ORM   | @hailaz        | V        | MySQL, SQLite, PostgreSQL, Oracle,<br>SQL Server are supported by<br>GoFrame ORM |
| Filtered<br>PostgreSQL<br>Adapter | SQL   | Casbin         | V        | For PostgreSQL   |
| Filtered pgx<br>Adapter           | SQL   | @pckhoi        | V        | PostgreSQL is supported by pgx   |
| PostgreSQL<br>Adapter             | SQL   | @cychiuae      | V        | For PostgreSQL   |
| RQLite<br>Adapter                 | SQL   | EDOMO Systems  | V        | For RQLite   |
| MongoDB<br>Adapter                | NoSQL | Casbin         | V        | For MongoDB based on MongoDB Go<br>Driver  |
| RethinkDB<br>Adapter              | NoSQL | @adityapandey9 | V        | For RethinkDB  |
| Cassandra<br>Adapter              | NoSQL | Casbin         | ×        | For Apache Cassandra DB  |
| DynamoDB<br>Adapter               | NoSQL | HOOQ           | ×        | For Amazon DynamoDB  |
| Dynacasbin                        | NoSQL | NewbMiao       | V        | For Amazon DynamoDB  |
| ArangoDB<br>Adapter               | NoSQL | @adamwasila    | V        | For ArangoDB   |

| Adapter                         | Туре        | Author            | AutoSave | Description                                |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|----------|--|
| Amazon S3<br>Adapter            | Cloud       | Soluto            | ×        | For Minio and Amazon S3                    |
| Azure<br>Cosmos DB<br>Adapter   | Cloud       | @spacycoder       | V        | For Microsoft Azure Cosmos DB              |
| GCP<br>Firestore<br>Adapter     | Cloud       | @reedom           | ×        | For Google Cloud Platform Firestore        |
| GCP Cloud<br>Storage<br>Adapter | Cloud       | qurami            | ×        | For Google Cloud Platform Cloud<br>Storage |
| GCP Cloud<br>Spanner<br>Adapter | Cloud       | @flowerinthenight | V        | For Google Cloud Platform Cloud<br>Spanner |
| Consul<br>Adapter               | KV<br>store | @ankitm123        | ×        | For HashiCorp Consul                       |
| Redis<br>Adapter<br>(Redigo)    | KV<br>store | Casbin            | V        | For Redis                                  |
| Redis<br>Adapter<br>(go-redis)  | KV<br>store | @mlsen            | V        | For Redis                                  |
| Etcd<br>Adapter                 | KV<br>store | @sebastianliu     | ×        | For etcd                                   |
| BoltDB<br>Adapter               | KV<br>store | @speza            | <b>~</b> | For Bolt                                   |

| Adapter                       | Туре        | Author     |            | Auto     | Save  | Description                        |  |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|---|------------------------------------|--|
| Bolt<br>Adapter               | KV<br>store | @wirepair  |            | ×        |   | For Bolt                           |  |
| BadgerDB<br>Adapter           | KV<br>store | @inits     |            | <b>V</b> |   | For BadgerDB                       |  |
| Protobuf<br>Adapter           | Stream      | Casbin     |            | ×        |   | For Google Protocol Buffers        |  |
| JSON<br>Adapter               | String      | Casbin     | ×          |          |   | For JSON                           |  |
| String<br>Adapter             | String      | @qiangmzsx | ZSX        |          |   | For String                         |  |
| HTTP File<br>Adapter          | НТТР        | @h4ckednek | o <b>X</b> |          |   | For http.FileSystem                |  |
| FileSystem<br>Adapter         | File        | @naucon    |            | ×        |   | For fs.FS and embed.FS             |  |
| Adapter                       | Туре        | Author     | Auto       | Save     |   | Description                        |  |
| File<br>Adapter<br>(built-in) | File        | Casbin     | ×          |          | For .0  | CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files |  |
| JDBC<br>Adapter               | JDBC        | Casbin     |            |          | MySQL, Oracle, PostgreSQL, DB2, Sybase, SQL Server are supported by JDBC                            |                                    |  |
| Hibernate<br>Adapter          | ORM         | Casbin     | <b>V</b>   |          | Oracle, DB2, SQL Server, Sybase, MySQL, PostgreSQL are supported by Hibernate                       |                                    |  |
| MyBatis<br>Adapter            | ORM         | Casbin     | <b>~</b>   |          | MySQL, Oracle, PostgreSQL, DB2, Syba<br>SQL Server (the same as JDBC) are<br>supported by MyBatis 3 |                                    |  |

| Adapter                                | Туре          | Author      | AutoSave     |              | Description  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Hutool<br>Adapter                      | ORM           | @mapleafgo  | @mapleafgo 🔽 |              | MySQL, Oracle, PostgreSQL, SQLite are supported by Hutool                                |  |  |
| MongoDB<br>Adapter                     | NoSQL         | Casbin      | V            | MongoDB is s | supported by mongodb-driver-   |  |  |
| DynamoDB<br>Adapter                    | NoSQL         | Casbin      | ×            | For Amazon [ | DynamoDB   |  |  |
| Redis<br>Adapter                       | KV<br>store   | Casbin      | V            | For Redis    |  |  |  |
| Adapter                                | Type          | Au          | thor         | AutoSave     | Description  |  |  |
| File Adapter<br>(built-in)             | File          | Casbin      | Casbin       |              | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files  |  |  |
| Filtered File<br>Adapter<br>(built-in) | File          | Casbin      | Casbin       |              | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files with policy subset loading support               |  |  |
| String<br>Adapter<br>(built-in)        | String        | @calebfaruk | @calebfaruki |              | For String   |  |  |
| Basic<br>Adapter                       | Native<br>ORM | Casbin      |              | V            | pg, mysql, mysql2, sqlite3,<br>oracledb, mssql are<br>supported by the adapter<br>itself |  |  |
| Sequelize<br>Adapter                   | ORM           | Casbin      |              | V            | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite,<br>Microsoft SQL Server are<br>supported by Sequelize         |  |  |
| TypeORM                                | ORM           | Casbin      |              | V            | MySQL, PostgreSQL,   |  |  |

| Adapter                                 | Туре  | Author                | AutoSave | Description  |
|---|-------|-----------------------|----------|--|
| Adapter                                 |       |                       |          | MariaDB, SQLite, MS SQL<br>Server, Oracle, WebSQL,<br>MongoDB are supported by<br>TypeORM                          |
| Prisma<br>Adapter                       | ORM   | Casbin                | <b>V</b> | MySQL, PostgreSQL, MariaDB, SQLite, MS SQL Server, AWS Aurora, Azure SQL are supported by Prisma                   |
| Knex<br>Adapter                         | ORM   | @sarneeh and knex     | <b>V</b> | MSSQL, MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite3, Oracle are supported by Knex.js   |
| Objection.js<br>Adapter                 | ORM   | @willsoto             | <b>V</b> | MSSQL, MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite3, Oracle are supported by Objection.js  |
| MikroORM<br>Adapter                     | ORM   | @baisheng             | <b>V</b> | MongoDB, MySQL, MariaDB,<br>PostgreSQL, SQLite are<br>supported by MikroORM  |
| Node<br>PostgreSQL<br>Native<br>Adapter | SQL   | @touchifyapp          | <b>V</b> | PostgreSQL adapter with advanced policy subset loading support and improved performances built with node-postgres. |
| Mongoose<br>Adapter                     | NoSQL | elastic.io and Casbin | V        | MongoDB is supported by Mongoose   |
| Mongoose<br>Adapter                     | NoSQL | minhducck             | V        | MongoDB is supported by Mongoose   |

| Adapter                              | Type        | ,          | Author        |             | AutoSave  | Description             |  |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|-------------|---|-------------------------|--|
| (No-<br>Transaction)                 |             |            |               |             |   |                         |  |
| Node<br>MongoDB<br>Native<br>Adapter | NoSQL       | @juicyclef | f             |             | V   | For Node MongoDB Native |  |
| DynamoDB<br>Adapter                  | NoSQL       | @fospitia  |               |             | V   | For Amazon DynamoDB     |  |
| Couchbase<br>Adapter                 | NoSQL       | @MarkMY    | oung          |             | V   | For Couchbase           |  |
| Redis<br>Adapter                     | KV<br>store | Casbin     |               |             | ×   | For Redis               |  |
| Redis<br>Adapter                     | KV<br>store | @NandaK    | ishorJeripoth | ula         | ×   | For Redis               |  |
| Adapter                              | Туре        | Author     | AutoSave      | Description |   |                         |  |
| File Adapter<br>(built-in)           | File        | Casbin     | ×             | Fo          | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files   |                         |  |
| Database<br>Adapter                  | ORM         | Casbin     |               |             | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Microsoft SQL<br>Server are supported by techone/database                                |                         |  |
| Zend Db<br>Adapter                   | ORM         | Casbin     |               |             | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Oracle, IBM DB2<br>Microsoft SQL Server, Other PDO Driver are<br>supported by zend-db    |                         |  |
| Doctrine<br>DBAL<br>Adapter          | ORM         | Casbin     | V             | (D          | Powerful PHP database abstraction layer (DBAL) with many features for database schema introspection and management. |                         |  |

| Adapter                           | Туре        | Author  | AutoSave | Description  |   |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------|----------|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Recommend)                       |             |         |          |  |   |  |  |  |
| Medoo<br>Adapter                  | ORM         | Casbin  | <b>V</b> | Medoo is a lightweight PHP Database Framework to Accelerate Development, supports all SQL databases, including MySQL, MSSQL, SQLite, MariaDB, PostgreSQL, Sybase, Oracle and more. |   |  |  |  |
| Laminas-db<br>Adapter             | ORM         | Casbin  | <b>V</b> | MySQL, PostgreSQL, Oracle, IBM DB2,<br>Microsoft SQL Server, PDO, etc. are<br>supported by laminas-db  |   |  |  |  |
| Zend-db<br>Adapter                | ORM         | Casbin  | <b>V</b> | MySQL, PostgreSQL, Oracle, IBM DB2,<br>Microsoft SQL Server, PDO, etc. are<br>supported by zend-db   |   |  |  |  |
| ThinkORM<br>Adapter<br>(ThinkPHP) | ORM         | Casbin  | <b>V</b> | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Oracle,<br>Microsoft SQL Server, MongoDB are<br>supported by ThinkORM   |   |  |  |  |
| Redis<br>Adapter                  | KV<br>store | @nsnake | ×        | For Redis  |   |  |  |  |
| Adapter                           | Туре        | Au      | thor     | AutoSave   | Description   |  |  |  |
| File Adapter<br>(built-in)        | File        | Casbin  |          | ×  | For .CSV<br>(Comma-<br>Separated<br>Values) files           |  |  |  |
| Django ORM<br>Adapter             | ORM         | Casbin  |          |  | PostgreSQL,<br>MariaDB,<br>MySQL,<br>Oracle,<br>SQLite, IBM |  |  |  |

| Adapter                       | Type | Author        | AutoSave | Description   |
|-------------------------------|------|---------------|----------|---|
|                               |      |               |          | DB2, Microsoft SQL Server, Firebird, ODBC are supported by Django ORM   |
| SQLObject<br>Adapter          | ORM  | Casbin        |          | PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite, Microsoft SQL Server, Firebird, Sybase, MAX DB, pyfirebirdsql are supported by SQLObject |
| SQLAlchemy<br>Adapter         | ORM  | Casbin        |          | PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite, Oracle, Microsoft SQL Server, Firebird, Sybase are supported by SQLAlchemy               |
| Async<br>Databases<br>Adapter | ORM  | sampingantech |          | PostgreSQL,<br>MySQL,<br>SQLite,  |

| Adapter                 | Type | Author           | AutoSave | Description  |
|-------------------------|------|------------------|----------|--|
|                         |      |                  |          | Oracle, Microsoft SQL Server, Firebird, Sybase are supported by Databases                      |
| Peewee<br>Adapter       | ORM  | @shblhy          | <b>✓</b> | PostgreSQL,<br>MySQL,<br>SQLite are<br>supported by<br>Peewee                                  |
| MongoEngine<br>Adapter  | ORM  | @zhangbailong945 | ×        | MongoDB is supported by MongoEngine  |
| Pony ORM<br>Adapter     | ORM  | @drorvinkler     | V        | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Oracle, CockroachDB are supported by Pony ORM                       |
| Tortoise ORM<br>Adapter | ORM  | @thearchitector  | V        | PostgreSQL<br>(>=9.4),<br>MySQL,<br>MariaDB, and<br>SQLite are<br>supported by<br>Tortoise ORM |

| Adapter                       |      | Ту        | /pe    | Author                  |                        |  | AutoSave          | Description   |                 |
|-------------------------------|------|-----------|--------|-------------------------|------------------------|--|-------------------|---|-----------------|
| Async Orm<br>Adapter          | ıar  | OR        | М      | @shepilov-<br>vladislav |                        | <b>~</b>   |                   | PostgreSQL,<br>MySQL,<br>SQLite are<br>supported by<br>Ormar    |                 |
| SQLModel<br>Adapter           |      | OR        | М      | @shepilov-<br>vladislav |                        | <b>V</b>   |                   | PostgreSQL,<br>MySQL,<br>SQLite are<br>supported by<br>SQLModel |                 |
| Couchbase<br>Adapter          | 9    | No        | SQL    | ScienceLogic            | <pre>cienceLogic</pre> |  |                   |   |                 |
| DynamoDE<br>Adapter           | 3    | No        | SQL    | @abqadeer               |                        |  | adeer For DynamoD |   | For<br>DynamoDB |
| Pymongo<br>Adapter            |      | No        | SQL    | Casbin                  |                        | ×  |                   | MongoDB is supported by Pymongo                                 |                 |
| GCP Fireba                    | ase  | Clo       | oud    | @devrushi41             |                        | <b>V</b>   |                   | For Google<br>Cloud<br>Platform<br>Firebase                     |                 |
| Adapter                       | Ту   | pe        | Author |                         | Auto                   |  | Descriptio        | n   |                 |
| File<br>Adapter<br>(built-in) | File | e Casbin  |        | ×                       |                        | For .CSV (Comma-Separatiles  | ated Values)      |   |                 |
| EF<br>Adapter                 | OR   | RM Casbin |        | ×                       |                        | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Microsof<br>SQL Server, Oracle, DB2, etc. are |                   |   |                 |

| Adapter                               | Ту  | /pe  | Author           |             | Auto     | Save     |       | Description  |  |  |     |  |
|---------------------------------------|-----|------|------------------|-------------|----------|----------|-------|--|--|--|-----|--|
|                                       |     |      |                  |             |          |          |       | supported by Entity Framework 6  |  |  |     |  |
| EFCore<br>Adapter                     | OR  | RM   | Casbi            | n           | <b>V</b> |          | SQL   | QL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Microsoft<br>Server, Oracle, DB2, etc. are<br>ported by Entity Framework Core        |  |  |     |  |
| EFCore<br>Adapter<br>(.NET<br>Core 5) | OR  | RM   | @g4c             | @g4dvali    |          | @g4dvali |       | 4dvali   |  |  | SQL | QL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Microsoft<br>Server, Oracle, DB2, etc. are<br>orted by Entity Framework Core |
| Linq2DB<br>Adapter                    | OR  | RM   | @Tirael          |             | V        |          | SQL   | QL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Microsoft<br>Server, Oracle, Access, Firebird,<br>ase, etc. are supported by linq2db |  |  |     |  |
| Azure<br>Cosmos<br>DB<br>Adapter      | Clo | oud  | @sagarkhandelwal |             | <b>V</b> |          | For N | Microsoft Azure Cosmos DB  |  |  |     |  |
| Adapter                               |     | Ту   | /pe              | Author      | Author   |          | Save  | Description  |  |  |     |  |
| File Adapte                           | er  | File |                  | Casbin      |          | ×        |       | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files  |  |  |     |  |
| Diesel<br>Adapter                     |     | ORM  | 1                | Casbin      | asbin    |          |       | SQLite, PostgreSQL, MySQL are supported by Diesel  |  |  |     |  |
| Sqlx<br>Adapter                       |     | ORM  | 1                | Casbin      |          | <b>~</b> |       | PostgreSQL, MySQL are supported by Sqlx with fully asynchronous operation                                    |  |  |     |  |
| SeaORM<br>Adapter                     |     | ORM  | 1                | @lingdu1234 |          | <b>~</b> |       | PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite are supported by SeaORM with fully asynchronous operation                          |  |  |     |  |

| Adapte                            | r     |         | Туре                  |        | Autho                                   | or   | Au     | toSave                                  | Description   |          |  |                     |
|-----------------------------------|-------|---------|-----------------------|--------|---|------|--------|---|---|----------|--|---------------------|
| SeaORM<br>Adapter                 |       | OF      | RM                    | @Zi    | @ZihanType                              |      |        |   | PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite are supported by SeaORM with fully asynchronous operation                 |          |  |                     |
| Rbatis<br>Adapter                 |       | OF      | RM rb                 |        | ORM                                     |      | rbatis |   |   |          | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, SQL<br>Server, MariaDB, TiDB,<br>CockroachDB, Oracle are<br>supported by Rbatis |                     |
| Dynamod<br>Adapter                | NoSQL |         | NoSQL (               |        | @fospitia                               |      |        | @fospitia                               |   | <b>~</b> |  | For Amazon DynamoDB |
| MongoDB<br>Adapter                |       | M       | ongoDB @wangjun861205 |        | @wangjun861205                          |      |        | B @wangjun861205                        |   | 5        |  | For MongoDB         |
| JSON<br>Adapter                   |       | St      | ring                  | Casbin |   |      | V      |   | For JSON  |          |  |                     |
| YAML<br>Adapter                   |       | St      | ring                  | Cas    | bin                                     |      | V      |   | For YAML  |          |  |                     |
| Adapter                           | Ту    | pe      | Autho                 | or     | Auto                                    | Save |        |   | Description   |          |  |                     |
| File<br>Adapter<br>(built-<br>in) | File  | е       | Casbin                | ×      |   |      | For .C | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files |   |          |  |                     |
| Sequel<br>Adapter                 | OR    | RM      | CasbinF               | Ruby   | uby ODBC, Oracle, Pe                    |      |        | C, Oracle                               | ite, IBM_DB, JDBC, MySQL, Mysql2,<br>e, PostgreSQL, SQLAnywhere,<br>TinyTDS are supported by Sequel |          |  |                     |
| Adap                              | ter   |         | Туре                  | Δ      | uthor                                   | Auto | Save   |   | Description   |          |  |                     |
| File Adapter File C               |       | asbin X |                       |        | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files |      |        |   |   |          |  |                     |

| Adapter                                | Ту   | Type Author Au |              | utoSave  |          | Description   |  |
|--|------|----------------|--------------|--|----------|---|--|
| (built-in)                             |      |                |              |  |          |   |  |
| Memory<br>Adapter (built-<br>in)       | Mei  | mory           | Casbin       | asbin 🗶  |          | Fo  | or memory  |
| Fluent Adapter                         | ORI  | М              | Casbin       | PostgreSQL, SQLite, MySQL, are supported by Fluent |          | ostgreSQL, SQLite, MySQL, MongoDB<br>re supported by Fluent |  |
| Adapter                                | Туре |                | Author       |  | AutoSav  | ⁄e  | Description  |
| File Adapter<br>(built-in)             | File | Cas            | Casbin       |  | ×        |   | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files                                    |
| Filtered File<br>Adapter<br>(built-in) | File | Cas            | Casbin       |  | ×        |   | For .CSV (Comma-Separated Values) files with policy subset loading support |
| LuaSQL<br>Adapter                      | ORM  | Cas            | Casbin       |  | V        |   | MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite3 are supported by LuaSQL                         |
| 4DaysORM<br>Adapter                    | ORM  | Casi           | Casbin       |  | <b>V</b> |   | MySQL, SQLite3 are supported by 4DaysORM                                   |
| OpenResty<br>Adapter                   | ORM  | @to            | @tom2nonames |  | V        |   | MySQL, PostgreSQL are supported by it                                      |

#### (i) NOTE

- 1. If casbin.NewEnforcer() is called with an explicit or implicit adapter, the policy will be loaded automatically.
- 2. You can call <code>e.LoadPolicy()</code> to reload the policy rules from the storage.
- 3. If the adapter does not support the Auto-Save feature, The policy rules cannot be automatically saved back to the storage when you add or remove policies. You have to call SavePolicy() manually to save all policy rules.

### **Examples**

Here we provide several examples:

#### File adapter (built-in)

Below shows how to initialize an enforcer from the built-in file adapter:

Go PHP Rust

```
import "github.com/casbin/casbin"
e := casbin.NewEnforcer("examples/basic_model.conf", "examples/
basic_policy.csv")

use Casbin\Enforcer;
$e = new Enforcer('examples/basic_model.conf', 'examples/basic_policy.csv');

use casbin::prelude::*;
let mut e = Enforcer::new("examples/basic_model.conf", "examples/
basic_policy.csv").await?;
```

This is the same with:

Go PHP Rust

```
import (
    "github.com/casbin/casbin"
    "github.com/casbin/file-adapter"
)

a := fileadapter.NewAdapter("examples/basic_policy.csv")
e := casbin.NewEnforcer("examples/basic_model.conf", a)
```

```
use Casbin\Enforcer;
use Casbin\Persist\Adapters\FileAdapter;

$a = new FileAdapter('examples/basic_policy.csv');
$e = new Enforcer('examples/basic_model.conf', $a);

use casbin::prelude::*;

let a = FileAdapter::new("examples/basic_policy.csv");
let e = Enforcer::new("examples/basic_model.conf", a).await?;
```

#### MySQL adapter

Below shows how to initialize an enforcer from MySQL database. it connects to a MySQL DB on 127.0.0.1:3306 with root and blank password.

Go Rust PHP

```
import (
    "github.com/casbin/casbin"
    "github.com/casbin/mysql-adapter"
a := mysqladapter.NewAdapter("mysql", "root:@tcp(127.0.0.1:3306)/")
e := casbin.NewEnforcer("examples/basic_model.conf", a)
// https://github.com/casbin-rs/diesel-adapter
// make sure you activate feature `mysql`
use casbin::prelude::*;
use diesel_adapter::{ConnOptions, DieselAdapter};
let mut conn_opts = ConnOptions::default();
conn_opts
    .set_hostname("127.0.0.1")
    .set_port(3306)
    .set_host("127.0.0.1:3306") // overwrite hostname, port config
    .set_database("casbin")
    .set_auth("casbin_rs", "casbin_rs");
```

```
// https://github.com/php-casbin/dbal-adapter
use Casbin\Enforcer;
use CasbinAdapter\DBAL\Adapter as DatabaseAdapter;
$config = [
   // Either 'driver' with one of the following values:
   // pdo_mysql,pdo_sqlite,pdo_pgsql,pdo_oci (unstable),pdo_sqlsrv,pdo_sqlsrv,
   // mysqli, sqlanywhere, sqlsrv, ibm_db2 (unstable), drizzle_pdo_mysql
    'driver' => 'pdo_mysql',
    'host' => '127.0.0.1',
    'dbname' => 'test',
    'user' => 'root',
    'password' => '',
   'port' => '3306',
1;
$a = DatabaseAdapter::newAdapter($config);
$e = new Enforcer('examples/basic_model.conf', $a);
```

### Use your own storage adapter

You can use your own adapter like below:

```
import (
    "github.com/casbin/casbin"
    "github.com/your-username/your-repo"
)

a := yourpackage.NewAdapter(params)
e := casbin.NewEnforcer("examples/basic_model.conf", a)
```

### Migrate/Convert between different adapter

If you want to convert adapter from A to B, you can do like this:

1. Load policy from A to memory

```
e, _ := NewEnforcer(m, A)

or

e.SetAdapter(A)
e.LoadPolicy()
```

2. convert your adapter from A to B

```
e.SetAdapter(B)
```

3. Save policy from memory to B

```
e.LoadPolicy()
```

### Load/Save at run-time

You may also want to reload the model, reload the policy or save the policy after initialization:

```
// Reload the model from the model CONF file.
e.LoadModel()

// Reload the policy from file/database.
e.LoadPolicy()

// Save the current policy (usually after changed with Casbin API) back to file/database.
e.SavePolicy()
```

#### **AutoSave**

There is a feature called Auto-Save for adapters. When an adapter supports Auto-Save, it means it can support adding a single policy rule to the storage, or removing a single policy rule from the storage. This is unlike SavePolicy(), because the latter will delete all policy rules in the storage and save all policy rules from Casbin enforcer to the storage. So it may suffer performance issue

when the number of policy rules is large.

When the adapter supports Auto-Save, you can switch this option via Enforcer.EnableAutoSave() function. The option is enabled by default (if the adapter supports it).

#### (i) NOTE

- 1. The Auto-Save feature is optional. An adapter can choose to implement it or not.
- 2. Auto-Save only works for a Casbin enforcer when the adapter the enforcer uses supports it.
- 3. See the AutoSave column in the above adapter list to see if Auto-Save is supported by an adapter.

Here's an example about how to use Auto-Save:

```
import (
    "github.com/casbin/casbin"
    "github.com/casbin/xorm-adapter"
    _ "github.com/go-sql-driver/mysql"
)
// By default, the AutoSave option is enabled for an enforcer.
a := xormadapter.NewAdapter("mysql",
"mysql_username:mysql_password@tcp(127.0.0.1:3306)/")
e := casbin.NewEnforcer("examples/basic_model.conf", a)
// Disable the AutoSave option.
e.EnableAutoSave(false)
// Because AutoSave is disabled, the policy change only affects the policy in
Casbin enforcer,
// it doesn't affect the policy in the storage.
e.AddPolicy(...)
e.RemovePolicy(...)
// Enable the AutoSave option.
e.EnableAutoSave(true)
// Because AutoSave is enabled, the policy change not only affects the policy
in Casbin enforcer,
// but also affects the policy in the storage.
e.AddPolicy(...)
```

For more examples, please see: https://github.com/casbin/xorm-adapter/blob/master/adapter\_test.go

#### How to write an adapter

All adapters should implement the Adapter interface by providing at least two mandatory methods: LoadPolicy(model model.Model) error and SavePolicy(model model.Model) error.

The other three functions are optional. They should be implemented if the adapter supports the Auto-Save feature.

| Method                 | Туре      | Description  |
|------------------------|-----------|--|
| LoadPolicy()           | mandatory | Load all policy rules from the storage                     |
| SavePolicy()           | mandatory | Save all policy rules to the storage                       |
| AddPolicy()            | optional  | Add a policy rule to the storage                           |
| RemovePolicy()         | optional  | Remove a policy rule from the storage                      |
| RemoveFilteredPolicy() | optional  | Remove policy rules that match the filter from the storage |

#### (i) NOTE

If an adapter doesn't support Auto-Save, it should provide an empty implementation for the three optional functions. Here's an example for Golang:

```
// AddPolicy adds a policy rule to the storage.
func (a *Adapter) AddPolicy(sec string, ptype string, rule []string) error {
    return errors.New("not implemented")
}

// RemovePolicy removes a policy rule from the storage.
func (a *Adapter) RemovePolicy(sec string, ptype string, rule []string) error {
    return errors.New("not implemented")
}
```

Casbin enforcer will ignore the not implemented error when calling these three optional functions.

There're details about how to write an adapter.

- Data Structure. Adapter should support reading at *least* six columns.
- Database Name. The default database name should be casbin.
- Table Name. The default table name should be casbin\_rule.
- Ptype Column. Name of this column should be ptype instead of p\_type or Ptype.
- Table definition should be (id int primary key, ptype varchar, v0 varchar, v1 varchar, v2 varchar, v3 varchar, v4 varchar, v5 varchar).
- The unique key index should be built on columns ptype, v0, v1, v2, v3, v4, v5.
- LoadFilteredPolicy requires a filter as parameter. The filter should be something like this.

```
{
    "p":[ [ "alice" ], [ "bob" ] ],
    "g":[ [ "", "book_group" ], [ "", "pen_group" ] ],
    "g2":[ [ "alice" ] ]
}
```

#### Who is responsible to create the DB?

As a convention, the adapter should be able to automatically create a database named casbin if it doesn't exist and use it for policy storage. Please use the Xorm adapter as a reference implementation: https://github.com/casbin/xorm-adapter

# Watchers

We support to use distributed messaging systems like etcd to keep consistence between multiple Casbin enforcer instances. So our users can concurrently use multiple Casbin enforcers to handle large number of permission checking requests.

Similar to policy storage adapters, we don't put watcher code in the main library. Any support for a new messaging system should be implemented as a watcher. A complete list of Casbin watchers is provided as below. Any 3rd-party contribution on a new watcher is welcomed, please inform us and I will put it in this list:)

Go Java Node.js Python .NET Ruby PHP

| Watcher                 | Type                | Author       | Description              |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| PostgreSQL<br>WatcherEx | Database            | @lguteChung  | WatcherEx for PostgreSQL |
| Redis WatcherEx         | KV store            | Casbin       | WatcherEx for Redis      |
| Redis Watcher           | KV store            | @billcobbler | Watcher for Redis        |
| Etcd Watcher            | KV store            | Casbin       | Watcher for etcd         |
| TiKV Watcher            | KV store            | Casbin       | Watcher for TiKV         |
| Kafka Watcher           | Messaging system    | @wgarunap    | Watcher for Apache Kafka |
| NATS Watcher            | Messaging<br>system | Soluto       | Watcher for NATS         |

| Watcher  | Туре                | Author    | Description  |
|--|---------------------|-----------|--|
| ZooKeeper Watcher  | Messaging<br>system | Grepsr    | Watcher for Apache ZooKeeper   |
| NATS, RabbitMQ,<br>GCP Pub/Sub, AWS<br>SNS & SQS, Kafka,<br>InMemory | Messaging<br>System | @rusenask | Watcher based on Go Cloud Dev Kit that works with leading cloud providers and self-hosted infrastructure |
| RocketMQ Watcher   | Messaging<br>system | @fmyxyz   | Watcher for Apache RocketMQ  |

| Watcher       | Туре             | Author     | Description              |
|---------------|------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Etcd Adapter  | KV store         | @mapleafgo | Watcher for etcd         |
| Redis Watcher | KV store         | Casbin     | Watcher for Redis        |
| Kafka Watcher | Messaging system | Casbin     | Watcher for Apache Kafka |

| Watcher                           | Туре                | Author | Description                           |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---------------------------------------|
| Etcd Watcher                      | KV store            | Casbin | Watcher for etcd                      |
| Redis Watcher                     | KV store            | Casbin | Watcher for Redis                     |
| Pub/Sub Watcher                   | Messaging<br>system | Casbin | Watcher for Google Cloud<br>Pub/Sub   |
| MongoDB Change<br>Streams Watcher | Database            | Casbin | Watcher for MongoDB<br>Change Streams |
| Postgres Watcher                  | Database            | Matteo | Watcher for PostgreSQL                |

| Watche         | er   |        | Туре            |       |              | Author      |        |                    | Description    |
|----------------|------|--------|-----------------|-------|--------------|-------------|--------|--------------------|----------------|
|                |      |        |                 |       |              | Collina     |        |                    |                |
| Watcher        |      | T      | ype             | А     | Author       |             |        | Description        |                |
| Etcd Watcher   |      | KV :   | store           | Cash  | oin          |             | Wato   | her                | for etcd       |
| Redis Watcher  |      | KV :   | store           | Casb  | oin          |             | Wato   | her                | for Redis      |
| Redis Watcher  |      | KV :   | store           | Scier | nce          | Logic       | Wato   | Watcher for Redis  |                |
| PostgreSQL Wat | cher | Data   | Database Casb   |       | oin          | n Watcher f |        | her                | for PostgreSQL |
| Watcher        | Ту   | /pe    | Author          |       | Description  |             |        |                    |                |
| Redis Watcher  | KV : | store  | @Sbou Wa        |       | /atc         | her for     | Redis  |                    |                |
| Watcher        |      |        | Type            |       |              | Autho       | or     |                    | Description    |
| Redis Watcher  |      | KV sto | ore             |       | CasbinRuby V |             | Wa     | tcher for Redis    |                |
| RabbitMQ Watch | ner  | Mess   | essaging system |       | CasbinRuby   |             | Wa     | tcher for RabbitMQ |                |
| Watcher        | Ту   | /pe    | Author          |       | Description  |             |        |                    |                |
| Redis Watcher  | KV : | store  | @Tiny           | /wan  | W            | atcher      | for Re | dis                |                |

## WatcherEx

In order to support incremental synchronization between multiple instances, we provide the WatcherEx interface. We hope it can notify other instances when the policy changes, but there is currently no implementation of WatcherEx. We recommend that you use dispatcher

to achieve this.

Compared with Watcher interface, WatcherEx can distinguish what type of update action is received, e.g., AddPolicy and RemovePolicy.

#### WatcherEx Apis:

| API  | Description  |
|--|--|
| SetUpdateCallback(func(string)) error                        | SetUpdateCallback sets the callback function that the watcher will call, when the policy in DB has been changed by other instances. A classic callback is Enforcer.LoadPolicy().   |
| Update() error   | Update calls the update callback of other instances to synchronize their policy. It is usually called after changing the policy in DB, like Enforcer.SavePolicy(), Enforcer.AddPolicy(), Enforcer.RemovePolicy(), etc.                                     |
| Close()  | Close stops and releases the watcher, the callback function will not be called any more.   |
| UpdateForAddPolicy(sec, ptype string, paramsstring) error    | UpdateForAddPolicy calls the update callback of other instances to synchronize their policy. It is called after a policy is added via Enforcer.AddPolicy(), Enforcer.AddNamedPolicy(), Enforcer.AddGroupingPolicy() and Enforcer.AddNamedGroupingPolicy(). |
| UpdateForRemovePolicy(sec, ptype string, paramsstring) error | UPdateForRemovePolicy calls the update callback of other instances to synchronize their policy. It is called after a policy is removed by Enforcer.RemovePolicy(), Enforcer.RemoveNamedPolicy(),   |

| API   | Description   |
|---|---|
|   | Enforcer.RemoveGroupingPolicy() and Enforcer.RemoveNamedGroupingPolicy().   |
| UpdateForRemoveFilteredPolicy(sec, ptype string, fieldIndex int, fieldValuesstring) error | UpdateForRemoveFilteredPolicy calls the update callback of other instances to synchronize their policy. It is called after Enforcer.RemoveFilteredPolicy(), Enforcer.RemoveFilteredNamedPolicy(), Enforcer.RemoveFilteredGroupingPolicy() and Enforcer.RemoveFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy(). |
| UpdateForSavePolicy(model model.Model) error  | UpdateForSavePolicy calls the update callback of other instances to synchronize their policy. It is called after Enforcer.SavePolicy()  |
| UpdateForAddPolicies(sec string, ptype string, rules[]string) error                       | UpdateForAddPolicies calls the update callback of other instances to synchronize their policy. It is called after Enforcer.AddPolicies(), Enforcer.AddNamedPolicies(), Enforcer.AddGroupingPolicies() and Enforcer.AddNamedGroupingPolicies().  |
| UpdateForRemovePolicies(sec string, ptype string, rules[]string) error                    | UpdateForRemovePolicies calls the update callback of other instances to synchronize their policy. It is called after Enforcer.RemovePolicies(), Enforcer.RemoveNamedPolicies(), Enforcer.RemoveGroupingPolicies() and Enforcer.RemoveNamedGroupingPolicies().                               |



# Dispatchers

Dispatcher provide a way to synchronize incremental changes of policy. It should be based on consistency algorithms such as raft to ensure the consistency of all enforcer instances. Through dispatcher users can easily establish distributed clusters.

The dispatcher's method is divided into two parts. The first is the method combined with casbin. These methods should be called inside casbin. Users can use the more complete api provided by casbin itself.

The other part is the method defined by the dispatcher itself, including the dispatcher initialization method, and different functions provided by different algorithms, such as dynamic membership, config changes etc.

#### (i) NOTE

we hope dispatcher just ensure the consistency of Casbin enforcer at runtime. So if the policy is inconsistent when initialization, the dispatcher will not work properly. Users need to ensure that the state of all instances is consistent before using dispatcher.

A complete list of Casbin dispatchers is provided as below. Any 3rd-party contribution on a new dispatcher is welcomed, please inform us and we will put it in this list:)

Go

| Dispatcher                  | Туре | Author | Description                        |
|-----------------------------|------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Hashicorp Raft Dispatcher   | raft | Casbin | Dispatcher based on hashicorp/raft |
| KDKYG/casbin-<br>dispatcher | raft | @KDKYG | Dispatcher based on hashicorp/raft |

## DistributedEnforcer

DistributedEnforcer wraps SyncedEnforcer for dispatcher.

Go

```
e, _ := casbin.NewDistributedEnforcer("examples/
basic_model.conf", "examples/basic_policy.csv")
```

# **Role Managers**

The role manager is used to manage the RBAC role hierarchy (user-role mapping) in Casbin. A role manager can retrieve the role data from Casbin policy rules or external sources such as LDAP, Okta, AuthO, Azure AD, etc. We support different implementations of a role manager. To keep light-weight, we don't put role manager code in the main library (except the default role manager). A complete list of Casbin role managers is provided as below. Any 3rd-party contribution on a new role manager is welcomed, please inform us and I will put it in this list:)

Go Java Node.js PHP Python

| Role manager                           | Author           | Description   |
|--|------------------|---|
| Default Role<br>Manager (built-<br>in) | Casbin           | Supports role hierarchy stored in Casbin policy                                 |
| Session Role<br>Manager                | EDOMO<br>Systems | Supports role hierarchy stored in Casbin policy, with time-range-based sessions |
| Okta Role<br>Manager                   | Casbin           | Supports role hierarchy stored in Okta  |
| Auth0 Role<br>Manager                  | Casbin           | Supports role hierarchy stored in Auth0's Authorization Extension               |

For developers: all role managers must implement the RoleManager interface.

Session Role Manager can be used as a reference implementation.

| Role manager                       | Author | Description                                     |
|------------------------------------|--------|---|
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# API

See API section for details.

#### A

# Middlewares

### Web frameworks

Go Java Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Lua Swift

| Name    | Description   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Gin     | A HTTP web framework featuring a Martini-like API with much better performance, via plugin: authz or gin-casbin                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beego   | An open-source, high-performance web framework for Go, via built-in plugin: plugins/authz   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Caddy   | Fast, cross-platform HTTP/2 web server with automatic HTTPS, via plugin: caddy-authz  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Traefik | The cloud native application proxy, via plugin: traefik-auth-plugin   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kratos  | Your ultimate Go microservices framework for the cloud-native era, via plugin: tx7do/kratos-casbin or overstarry/kratos-casbin                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Go kit  | A toolkit for microservices, via built-in plugin: plugins/authz   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fiber   | An Express inspired web framework written in Go, via middleware: casbin in gofiber/contrib or fiber-casbinrest or fiber-boilerplate or gofiber-casbin |  |  |  |  |  |

| Name    | Description   |  |  |  |  |
|---------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Revel   | A high productivity, full-stack web framework for the Go language, via plugin: auth/casbin                                    |  |  |  |  |
| Echo    | High performance, minimalist Go web framework, via plugin: echo-<br>authz or echo-casbin or casbinrest or echo-boilerplate    |  |  |  |  |
| Iris    | The fastest web framework for Go in (THIS) Earth. HTTP/2 Ready-<br>To-GO, via plugin: casbin or iris-middleware-casbin        |  |  |  |  |
| GoFrame | A modular, powerful, high-performance and enterprise-class application development framework of Golang, via plugin: gf-casbin |  |  |  |  |
| Negroni | Idiomatic HTTP Middleware for Golang, via plugin: negroni-authz   |  |  |  |  |
| Chi     | A lightweight, idiomatic and composable router for building HTTP services, via plugin: chi-authz                              |  |  |  |  |
| Buffalo | A Go web development eco-system, designed to make your life easier, via plugin: buffalo-mw-rbac                               |  |  |  |  |
| Macaron | A high productive and modular web framework in Go, via plugin: authz  |  |  |  |  |
| DotWeb  | Simple and easy go web micro framework, via plugin: authz   |  |  |  |  |
| Tango   | Micro & pluggable web framework for Go, via plugin: authz   |  |  |  |  |

| Name            | Description  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Baa             | An express Go web framework with routing, middleware, dependency injection and http context, via plugin: authz   |  |  |  |  |
| Tyk             | An open source Enterprise API Gateway, supporting REST, GraphQL, TCP and gRPC protocols, via plugin: tyk-authz   |  |  |  |  |
| Hertz           | Go HTTP framework with high-performance and strong-<br>extensibility for building micro-services, via plugin: casbin   |  |  |  |  |
| Name            | Description  |  |  |  |  |
| Spring<br>Boot  | Makes it easy to create Spring-powered applications and services, via plugin: casbin-spring-boot-starter or jcasbin-springboot-plugin or Simple SpringBoot security demo with jCasbin              |  |  |  |  |
| Apache<br>Shiro | A powerful and easy-to-use Java security framework that performs authentication, authorization, cryptography, and session management, via plugin: shiro-casbin or shiro-jcasbin-spring-bootstarter |  |  |  |  |
| Vert.x          | A tool-kit for building reactive applications on the JVM, via plugin: vertx-auth-jcasbin   |  |  |  |  |
| JFinal          | A simple, light, rapid, independent and extensible Java WEB + ORM framework, via plugin: jfinal-authz  |  |  |  |  |
| Nutz            | Web framework (MVC/IOC/AOP/DAO/JSON) for all Java developers, via plugin: nutz-authz   |  |  |  |  |

| Name          | Description   |  |  |  |  |
|---------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| mangoo<br>I/O | An intuitive, lightweight, high performance full stack Java web framework, via built-in plugin: AuthorizationService.java   |  |  |  |  |
| Name          | Description   |  |  |  |  |
| Shield        | An authZ server and authZ aware reverse-proxy built on top of casbin.   |  |  |  |  |
| Express       | Fast, unopinionated, minimalist web framework for node, via plugin: express-authz   |  |  |  |  |
| Koa           | Expressive middleware for node.js using ES2017 async functions, via plugin: koa-authz or koajs-starter or koa-casbin  |  |  |  |  |
| LoopBack<br>4 | A highly extensible Node.js and TypeScript framework for building APIs and microservices, via plugin: loopback4-authorization   |  |  |  |  |
| Nest          | Progressive Node.js framework for building efficient and scalable server-side applications on top of TypeScript & JavaScript. via plugin: nest-authz or nest-casbin or NestJS Casbin Module or nestjs-casbin or shanbe-api or acl-nest or nestjs-casbin-typeorm |  |  |  |  |
| Fastify       | Fast and low overhead web framework, for Node.js. via plugin: fastify-casbin or fastify-casbin-rest   |  |  |  |  |
| Egg           | Born to build better enterprise frameworks and apps with Node.js & Koa, via plugin: egg-authz or egg-zrole  |  |  |  |  |

| Name                     | Description  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| hapi                     | The Simple, Secure Framework Developers Trust. via plugin: hapi authz  |  |  |  |
| Casbin<br>JWT<br>Express | Authorization middleware that uses stateless JWT token to validate ACL rules using Casbin                    |  |  |  |
| Name                     | Description  |  |  |  |
| Laravel                  | The PHP framework for web artisans, via plugin: laravel-authz  |  |  |  |
| Yii PHP<br>Framework     | A fast, secure, and efficient PHP framework, via plugin: yii-<br>permission or yii-casbin                    |  |  |  |
| CakePHP                  | Build fast, grow solid PHP Framework, via plugin: cake-<br>permission  |  |  |  |
| Codelgniter              | Associate users with roles and permissions in Codelgniter4 Web Framework, via plugin: Codelgniter Permission |  |  |  |
| ThinkPHP<br>5.1          | The ThinkPHP 5.1 framework, via plugin: think-casbin   |  |  |  |
| ThinkPHP<br>6.0          | The ThinkPHP 6.0 framework, via plugin: think-authz  |  |  |  |
| Symfony                  | The Symfony PHP framework, via plugin: symfony-permission or symfony-casbin                                  |  |  |  |

| Name       | Description  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Hyperf     | A coroutine framework that focuses on hyperspeed and flexibility, via plugin: hyperf-permission or donjan-deng/hyperf-casbin or cblink/hyperf-casbin                   |  |  |  |  |
| EasySwoole | A distributed, persistent memory PHP framework based on the Swoole extension, via plugin: easyswoole-permission or easyswoole-hyperfOrm-permission                     |  |  |  |  |
| Slim       | A PHP micro framework that helps you quickly write simple yet powerful web applications and APIs, via plugin: casbin-with-slim   |  |  |  |  |
| Phalcon    | A full-stack PHP framework delivered as a C-extension, via plugin: phalcon-permission  |  |  |  |  |
| Webman     | High performance HTTP Service Framework for PHP based on Workerman, via plugin: webman-permission or webman-casbin   |  |  |  |  |
| Name       | Description  |  |  |  |  |
| Django     | A high-level Python Web framework, via plugin: django-casbin or django-authorization   |  |  |  |  |
| Flask      | A microframework for Python based on Werkzeug, Jinja 2 and good intentions, via plugin: flask-authz or Flask-Casbin (3rd-party, but maybe more friendly) or rbac-flask |  |  |  |  |
| FastAPI    | A modern, fast (high-performance), web framework for building  |  |  |  |  |

| Name            | Description   |  |  |
|-----------------|---|--|--|
|                 | APIs with Python 3.6+ based on standard Python type hints, via plugin: fastapi-authz or Fastapi-app   |  |  |
| OpenSta         | ck The most widely deployed open source cloud software in the world, via plugin: openstack-patron   |  |  |
| Name            | Description   |  |  |
| ASP.NET<br>Core | An open-source and cross-platform framework for building modern cloud based internet connected applications, such as wel apps, IoT apps and mobile backends, via plugin:  Casbin.AspNetCore                           |  |  |
| ASP.NET<br>Core | A simple demo of using Casbin at ASP.NET Core framework, via plugin: CasbinACL-aspNetCore   |  |  |
| Name            | Description   |  |  |
| Actix           | A Rust actors framework, via plugin: actix-casbin   |  |  |
| Actix<br>web    | A small, pragmatic, and extremely fast rust web framework, via plugin: actix-casbin-auth  |  |  |
| Rocket          | a web framework for Rust that makes it simple to write fast, secure web applications without sacrificing flexibility, usability, or type safety, via plugin: rocket-authz or rocket-casbin-auth or rocket-casbin-demo |  |  |

| Name        |  | Description   |  |  |  |  |
|-------------|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Axum<br>web |  | A ergonomic and modular rust web framework, via plugin: axum-casbin-auth                                  |  |  |  |  |
| Poem<br>web |  | A full-featured and easy to use web framework with the Rust programming language, via plugin: poem-casbin |  |  |  |  |
| Name        | 9  | Description   |  |  |  |  |
| OpenRe      | A dynamic web platform based on NGINX and LuaJIT, via plugin: lua-resty-casbin and casbin-openresty-example  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Kong        | A cloud-native, platform-agnostic, scalable API Gateway distinguished for its high performance and extensibility via plugins, via plugin: kong-authz |   |  |  |  |  |
| APISIX      | A dynamic, real-time, high-performance API gateway, via plugin: authz-casbin   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Name        | Description  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Vapor       | A server-side Swift web framework, via plugin: vapor-authz   |   |  |  |  |  |

# Cloud providers

### Node.js

| Name | Description  |  |  |  |
|------|--|--|--|--|
| Okta | One trusted platform to secure every identity, via plugin: casbin- |  |  |  |

| Name  | Description  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|       | spring-boot-demo   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Auth0 | An easy to implement, adaptable authentication and authorization platform, via plugin: casbin-auth0-rbac |  |  |  |  |  |

# GraphQL Middlewares

Casbin follows the officially suggested way to provide authorization for GraphQL endpoints by having a single source of truth for authorization: https://graphql.org/learn/authorization/. In another word, Casbin should be placed between GraphQL layer and your business logic.

```
// Casbin authorization logic lives inside postRepository
var postRepository = require('postRepository');

var postType = new GraphQLObjectType({
    name: 'Post',
    fields: {
        body: {
            type: GraphQLString,
            resolve: (post, args, context, { rootValue }) => {
                return postRepository.getBody(context.user, post);
            }
        }
    }
});
```

## Supported GraphQL middlewares

A complete list of Casbin GraphQL middlewares is provided as below. Any 3rd-party contribution on a new GraphQL middleware is welcomed, please inform us and we will put it in this list:)

Go Node.js Python

| Middleware                   |   |             | GraphQL<br>Implementation |  | Author   | Description  |
|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| graphql-authz                |   | gr          | graphql                   |  | Casbin   | An authorization middleware for graphql-go             |
| graphql-casbin               |   | graphql     |                           |  | @esmaeilpour   | An Implementation of using Graphql and Casbin together |
| gqlgen_casbi                 | gqlgen_casbin_RBAC_example              |             | gqlgen                    |  | @WenyXu  | (empty)  |
| Middleware                   | GraphQL<br>Middleware<br>Implementation |             | Author Description        |  | tion   |  |
| graphql-<br>authz GraphQL.js |   |             | Casbin                    | A Casbin authorization middleware for GraphQL.js |  | on middleware  |
| Middleware                   | GraphQL<br>Implementation               | Author      |                           |  | Description  |  |
| graphql-<br>authz            | GraphQL-core                            | @Checho3388 |                           | 388  | A Casbin authorization middleware for GraphQL-core 3 |  |

# **Cloud Native Middlewares**

# **Cloud Native projects**

Node.js Go

| Project          | Author | Description                                  |
|------------------|--------|--|
| k8s-authz        | Casbin | Authorization middleware For Kubernetes      |
| envoy-authz      | Casbin | Authorization middleware For Istio and Envoy |
| kubesphere-authz | Casbin | Authorization middleware For kubeSphere      |

| Project        | Author                | Description   |  |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|--|
| ODPF<br>Shield | Open Data<br>Platform | ODPF Shield is cloud native role-based authorization aware reverse-proxy service. |  |



## **API**

| API | Overview |
|-----|----------|

Casbin API usage

#### Management API

The primitive API that provides full support for Casbin policy management

#### RBAC API

A more friendly API for RBAC. This API is a subset of Management API. The RBAC users could use this API to simplify the code

#### RBAC with Domains API

A more friendly API for RBAC with domains. This API is a subset of Management API. The RBAC users could use this API to simplify the code

#### RoleManager API

RoleManager provides interface to define the operations for managing roles. Adding matching function to rolemanager allows using wildcards in role name and domain

#### Data Permissions

Solutions for data permissions

# **API Overview**

This overview only shows you how to use Casbin APIs and doesn't explain how Casbin is installed and how it works. You can find those tutorials here: installation of Casbin and how Casbin works. So, when you start reading this tutorial, we assume that you have fully installed and imported Casbin into your code.

## **Enforce API**

Let's start at the Enforce APIs of Casbin. We will load a RBAC model from model.conf, and load policies from policy.csv. You can learn the Model syntax here, and we won't talk about it in this tutorial. We assume that you can understand the config files given below:

model.conf

```
[request_definition]
r = sub, obj, act

[policy_definition]
p = sub, obj, act

[role_definition]
g = _, _

[policy_effect]
e = some(where (p.eft == allow))

[matchers]
```

```
policy.csv
```

```
p, admin, data1, read
p, admin, data1, write
p, admin, data2, read
p, admin, data2, write
p, alice, data1, read
p, bob, data2, write
g, amber, admin
g, abc, admin
```

After reading the config files, please read the following code.

```
// load information from files
enforcer, err := casbin.NewEnforcer("./example/model.conf",
"./example/policy.csv")
if err != nil {
    log.Fatalf("error, detail: %s", err)
}
ok, err := enforcer.Enforce("alice", "data1", "read")
```

This code loads the access control model and policies from local files. Function casbin.NewEnforcer() will return an enforcer. It will recognize its 2 parameters as file paths, and load the files from there. Errors occurred in the process are stored in err. This code used the default adapter to load model and policies. And of course you can get the same result by using a third-party adapter.

Code ok, err := enforcer.Enforce("alice", "data1", "read") is to confirm access permissions. If alice can access the data1 with the operation read, the returned value ok will be true, otherwise it'll be false. In this example, the value of ok is true.

## EnforceEx API

Sometimes you may wonder which policy allowed the request, so we prepared the function <code>EnforceEx()</code>. You can use it like this:

```
ok, reason, err := enforcer.EnforceEx("amber", "data1", "read")
fmt.Println(ok, reason) // true [admin data1 read]
```

function <code>EnforceEx()</code> will return the exact policy string in the return value reason. In this example, <code>amber</code> is a role of <code>admin</code>, so policy <code>p</code>, <code>admin</code>, <code>data1</code>, read made this request <code>true</code>. The out put of this code is in the comment.

Casbin prepared a lot of APIs like this. Those APIs added some extra functions on the basic one. They are:

```
    ok, err := enforcer.EnforceWithMatcher(matcher, request)
    With a matcher.
```

ok, reason, err := enforcer.EnforceExWithMatcher(matcher, request)

A combination of EnforceWithMatcher() and EnforceEx().

• boolArray, err := enforcer.BatchEnforce(requests)

Do a list job, returns an array.

This is a simple use of Casbin. You can use Casbin to start an authorization server via these APIs. We will show you some other types of APIs in the next paragraphs.

# Management API

#### Get API

These APIs are used to get exact objects in policies. This time we loaded an enforcer like the last example and get something from it.

Please read the following code:

```
enforcer,err := casbin.NewEnforcer("./example/model.conf",
"./example/policy.csv")
if err != nil {
    fmt.Printf("Error, details: %s\n", err)
}
allSubjects := enforcer.GetAllSubjects()
fmt.Println(allSubjects)
```

Same as the last example, the first 4 lines loaded some necessary information from local files. We won't talk about that here anymore.

Code allSubjects := enforcer.GetAllSubjects() got all the subjects in the policy file and returned them as an array. Then we printed that array.

Normally, the output of the code should be:

```
[admin alice bob]
```

Similarly, we prepared GetAll functions for Objects, Actions, Roles. The only thing you need to do is to change the word Subject in the function name to what you want if you want to access those functions.

Besides, we have more getters for policies. The call method and return value are similar to those above.

- policy = e.GetPolicy() gets all the authorization rules in the policy.
- filteredPolicy := e.GetFilteredPolicy(0, "alice") gets all the authorization rules in the policy, field filters can be specified.
- namedPolicy := e.GetNamedPolicy("p") gets all the authorization rules in the named policy.
- filteredNamedPolicy = e.GetFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "bob") gets all the authorization rules in the named policy, field filters can be specified.
- groupingPolicy := e.GetGroupingPolicy() gets all the role inheritance rules in the policy.
- filteredGroupingPolicy := e.GetFilteredGroupingPolicy(0, "alice") gets all the role inheritance rules in the policy, field filters can be specified.
- namedGroupingPolicy := e.GetNamedGroupingPolicy("g") gets all the role inheritance rules in the policy.
- namedGroupingPolicy := e.GetFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0, "alice") gets all the role inheritance rules in the policy.

### Add, Delete, Update API

Casbin prepared a lot of APIs for policies. These APIs allow you to add, delete or edit policies dynamically at runtime.

This code shows you how to add, remove and update your policies, and told you

how to confirm that a policy exists:

```
// load information from files
enforcer, err := casbin.NewEnforcer("./example/model.conf",
"./example/policy.csv")
if err != nil {
  fmt.Printf("Error, details: %s\n", err)
}
// add a policy, then use HasPolicy() to confirm that
enforcer.AddPolicy("added_user", "data1", "read")
hasPolicy := enforcer.HasPolicy("added_user", "data1", "read")
fmt.Println(hasPolicy) // true, we added that policy
successfully
// remove a policy, then use HasPolicy() to confirm that
enforcer.RemovePolicy("alice", "data1", "read")
hasPolicy = enforcer.HasPolicy("alice", "data1", "read")
fmt.Println(hasPolicy) // false, we deleted that policy
successfully
// update a policy, then use HasPolicy() to confirm that
enforcer.UpdatePolicy([]string{"added_user", "data1", "read"},
[]string{"added_user", "data1", "write"})
hasPolicy = enforcer.HasPolicy("added_user", "data1", "read")
fmt.Println(hasPolicy) // false, the origin policy has lapsed
hasPolicy = enforcer.HasPolicy("added_user", "data1", "write")
fmt.Println(hasPolicy) // true, the new policy is in use
```

Using these four kinds of APIs can edit your policies. Like these, we prepared same kinds of APIs to FilteredPolicy, NamedPolicy, FilteredNamedPolicy, GroupingPolicy, NamedGroupingPolicy, FilteredGroupingPolicy, FilteredNamedGroupingPolicy. To use them, you only need to replace word Policy in the function name to the words above.

Besides, if you change parameters to arrays, you can batch edit you policies.

For example, to functions like this:

```
enforcer.UpdatePolicy([]string{"eve", "data3", "read"},
[]string{"eve", "data3", "write"})
```

if we change Policy to Policies, and edit the parameter to:

```
enforcer.UpdatePolicies([][]string{{"eve", "data3", "read"},
{"jack", "data3", "read"}}, [][]string{{"eve", "data3",
"write"}, {"jack", "data3", "write"}})
```

then we can batch edit these policies.

Same operations also useful to GroupingPolicy, NamedGroupingPolicy.

#### AddEx API

Casbin provides AddEx series APIs to help users add rules in batches.

```
AddPoliciesEx(rules [][]string) (bool, error)
AddNamedPoliciesEx(ptype string, rules [][]string) (bool, error)
AddGroupingPoliciesEx(rules [][]string) (bool, error)
AddNamedGroupingPoliciesEx(ptype string, rules [][]string)
(bool, error)
SelfAddPoliciesEx(sec string, ptype string, rules [][]string)
(bool, error)
```

The difference between these methods and the methods without the Ex suffix is that if one of the rules already exists, they will continue to check the next rule instead of returning false directly.

For example: Compare AddPolicies and AddPoliciesEx

You can copy the code below into the test under casbin to run and observe.

```
func TestDemo(t *testing.T) {
    e, err := NewEnforcer("examples/basic_model.conf",
"examples/basic_policy.csv")
    if err != nil {
        fmt.Printf("Error, details: %s\n", err)
    }
    e.ClearPolicv()
    e.AddPolicy("user1", "data1", "read")
    fmt.Println(e.GetPolicy())
    testGetPolicy(t, e, [][]string{{"user1", "data1", "read"}})
   // policy {"user1", "data1", "read"} now exists
    // Use AddPolicies to add rules in batches
    ok, _ := e.AddPolicies([][]string{{"user1", "data1",
"read"}, {"user2", "data2", "read"}})
    fmt.Println(e.GetPolicy())
    // {"user2", "data2", "read"} failed to add because
{"user1", "data1", "read"} already exists
    // AddPolicies returns false and no other policies are
checked, even though they may not exist in the existing ruleset
    // ok == false
    fmt.Println(ok)
    testGetPolicy(t, e, [][]string{{"user1", "data1", "read"}})
    // Use AddPoliciesEx to add rules in batches
    ok, _ = e.AddPoliciesEx([][]string{{"user1", "data1",
"read"}, {"user2", "data2", "read"}})
   fmt.Println(e.GetPolicy())
   // {"user2", "data2", "read"} is added successfully
   // because AddPoliciesEx automatically filters the existing
{"user1", "data1", "read"}
```

## **RBAC API**

Casbin provided come APIs for you to modify the RBAC model and policies. If you are familiar with RBAC, you can use these APIs easily.

Here we only show you how to use RBAC APIs of Casbin and won't talk about RBAC itself. You can get more details here.

We use this code to load model and policies just like before.

```
enforcer,err := casbin.NewEnforcer("./example/model.conf",
"./example/policy.csv")
if err != nil {
    fmt.Printf("Error, details: %s\n", err)
}
```

then, use a instance of Enforcer enforcer to access these APIs.

```
roles, err := enforcer.GetRolesForUser("amber")
fmt.Println(roles) // [admin]
users, err := enforcer.GetUsersForRole("admin")
fmt.Println(users) // [amber abc]
```

GetRolesForUser() returned an array that contained all roles contained amber. In this example, amber has only one role admin, so array roles is [admin]. And similarly, you can use GetUsersForRole() to get users belongs to the role. The return value of this function is also an array.

```
enforcer.HasRoleForUser("amber", "admin") // true
```

You can use <code>HasRoleForUser()</code> to confirm whether the user belongs to the role. In this example, amber is a member of admin, so the return value of the function is <code>true</code>.

```
fmt.Println(enforcer.Enforce("bob", "data2", "write")) // true
enforcer.DeletePermission("data2", "write")
fmt.Println(enforcer.Enforce("bob", "data2", "write")) // false
```

You can use DeletePermission() to delete a permission.

```
fmt.Println(enforcer.Enforce("alice", "data1", "read")) // true
enforcer.DeletePermissionForUser("alice", "data1", "read")
fmt.Println(enforcer.Enforce("alice", "data1", "read")) // false
```

And use DeletePermissionForUser() to delete a permission for a user.

Casbin have a lot of APIs like this. Their call methods and return values have the same style as the above APIs. You can find these APIs in next documents.

# Management API

The primitive API that provides full support for Casbin policy management.

### Filtered API

Almost all filtered api has the same parameters (fieldIndex int, fieldValues ...string). fieldIndex is the index where matching start, fieldValues denotes the values result should have. Note that empty string in fieldValues could be any word.

#### Example:

```
p, alice, book, read
p, bob, book, read
p, bob, book, write
p, alice, pen, get
p, bob, pen ,get
```

```
e.GetFilteredPolicy(1, "book") // will return: [[alice book read] [bob
book read] [bob book write]]

e.GetFilteredPolicy(1, "book", "read") // will return: [[alice book
read] [bob book read]]

e.GetFilteredPolicy(0, "alice", "", "read") // will return: [[alice
book read]]

e.GetFilteredPolicy(0, "alice") // will return: [[alice book read]
[alice pen get]]
```

## Reference

global variable e is Enforcer instance.

Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java

```
e, err := NewEnforcer("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_policy.csv")

const e = await newEnforcer('examples/rbac_model.conf', 'examples/
rbac_policy.csv')

$e = new Enforcer('examples/rbac_model.conf', 'examples/
rbac_policy.csv');

e = casbin.Enforcer("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_policy.csv")

var e = new Enforcer("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/policy.csv");

let mut e = Enforce::new("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_policy.csv").await?;

Enforcer e = new Enforcer("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_policy.csv");
```

### Enforce()

Enforce decides whether a "subject" can access a "object" with the operation "action", input parameters are usually: (sub, obj, act).

For example:

Go Node.js PHP Python Java

```
ok, err := e.Enforce(request)

const ok = await e.enforce(request);

$ok = $e->enforcer($request);

ok = e.enforcer(request)

boolean ok = e.enforce(request);
```

## EnforceWithMatcher()

EnforceWithMatcher use a custom matcher to decides whether a "subject" can access a "object" with the operation "action", input parameters are usually: (matcher, sub, obj, act), use model matcher by default when matcher is "".

For example:

Go PHP Python Java

```
ok, err := e.EnforceWithMatcher(matcher, request)

$ok = $e->enforceWithMatcher($matcher, $request);

ok = e.enforce_with_matcher(matcher, request)

boolean ok = e.enforceWithMatcher(matcher, request);
```

# EnforceEx()

EnforceEx explain enforcement by informing matched rules.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python
```

```
ok, reason, err := e.EnforceEx(request)

const ok = await e.enforceEx(request);

list($ok, $reason) = $e->enforceEx($request);

ok, reason = e.enforce_ex(request)
```

## EnforceExWithMatcher()

EnforceExWithMatcher use a custom matcher and explain enforcement by informing matched rules.

For example:

Go

```
ok, reason, err := e.EnforceExWithMatcher(matcher, request)
```

# BatchEnforce()

BatchEnforce enforces each request and returns result in a bool array

For example:

Go Node.js Java

```
boolArray, err := e.BatchEnforce(requests)

const boolArray = await e.batchEnforce(requests);

List<Boolean> boolArray = e.batchEnforce(requests);
```

# GetAllSubjects()

GetAllSubjects gets the list of subjects that show up in the current policy.

For example:

Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java

```
allSubjects := e.GetAllSubjects()

const allSubjects = await e.getAllSubjects()

$allSubjects = $e->getAllSubjects();

all_subjects = e.get_all_subjects()

var allSubjects = e.GetAllSubjects();

let all_subjects = e.get_all_subjects();

List<String> allSubjects = e.getAllSubjects();
```

# GetAllNamedSubjects()

GetAllNamedSubjects gets the list of subjects that show up in the current named policy.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
allNamedSubjects := e.GetAllNamedSubjects("p")

const allNamedSubjects = await e.getAllNamedSubjects('p')

$allNamedSubjects = $e->getAllNamedSubjects("p");

all_named_subjects = e.get_all_named_subjects("p")

var allNamedSubjects = e.GetAllNamedSubjects("p");

let all_named_subjects = e.get_all_named_subjects("p");

List<String> allNamedSubjects = e.getAllNamedSubjects("p");
```

# GetAllObjects()

GetAllObjects gets the list of objects that show up in the current policy.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
allObjects := e.GetAllObjects()

const allObjects = await e.getAllObjects()

$allObjects = $e->getAllObjects();

all_objects = e.get_all_objects()

var allObjects = e.GetAllObjects();

let all_objects = e.get_all_objects();

List<String> allObjects = e.getAllObjects();
```

# GetAllNamedObjects()

GetAllNamedObjects gets the list of objects that show up in the current named policy.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
allNamedObjects := e.GetAllNamedObjects("p")

const allNamedObjects = await e.getAllNamedObjects('p')

$allNamedObjects = $e->getAllNamedObjects("p");

all_named_objects = e.get_all_named_objects("p")

var allNamedObjects = e.GetAllNamedObjects("p");
```

```
let all_named_objects = e.get_all_named_objects("p");
List<String> allNamedObjects = e.getAllNamedObjects("p");
```

## GetAllActions()

GetAllActions gets the list of actions that show up in the current policy.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
allActions := e.GetAllActions()

const allActions = await e.getAllActions()

$allActions = $e->getAllActions();

all_actions = e.get_all_actions()

var allActions = e.GetAllActions();

let all_actions = e.get_all_actions();

List<String> allActions = e.getAllActions();
```

## GetAllNamedActions()

GetAllNamedActions gets the list of actions that show up in the current named policy.

```
allNamedActions := e.GetAllNamedActions("p")

const allNamedActions = await e.getAllNamedActions('p')

$allNamedActions = $e->getAllNamedActions("p");

all_named_actions = e.get_all_named_actions("p")

var allNamedActions = e.GetAllNamedActions("p");

let all_named_actions = e.get_all_named_actions("p");

List<String> allNamedActions = e.getAllNamedActions("p");
```

## GetAllRoles()

GetAllRoles gets the list of roles that show up in the current policy.

For example:

Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java

```
allRoles = e.GetAllRoles()

const allRoles = await e.getAllRoles()

$allRoles = $e->getAllRoles();
```

```
all_roles = e.get_all_roles()

var allRoles = e.GetAllRoles();

let all_roles = e.get_all_roles();

List<String> allRoles = e.getAllRoles();
```

## GetAllNamedRoles()

GetAllNamedRoles gets the list of roles that show up in the current named policy.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
allNamedRoles := e.GetAllNamedRoles("g")

const allNamedRoles = await e.getAllNamedRoles('g')

$allNamedRoles = $e->getAllNamedRoles('g');

all_named_roles = e.get_all_named_roles("g")

var allNamedRoles = e.GetAllNamedRoles("g");

let all_named_roles = e.get_all_named_roles("g");

List<String> allNamedRoles = e.getAllNamedRoles("g");
```

# GetPolicy()

GetPolicy gets all the authorization rules in the policy.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
policy = e.GetPolicy()

const policy = await e.getPolicy()

$policy = $e->getPolicy();

policy = e.get_policy()

var policy = e.GetPolicy();

let policy = e.get_policy();

List<List<String>> policy = e.getPolicy();
```

# GetFilteredPolicy()

GetFilteredPolicy gets all the authorization rules in the policy, field filters can be specified.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
filteredPolicy := e.GetFilteredPolicy(0, "alice")

const filteredPolicy = await e.getFilteredPolicy(0, 'alice')

$filteredPolicy = $e->getFilteredPolicy(0, "alice");

filtered_policy = e.get_filtered_policy(0, "alice")

var filteredPolicy = e.GetFilteredPolicy(0, "alice");

let filtered_policy = e.get_filtered_policy(0, vec!["alice".to_owned()]);

List<List<String>> filteredPolicy = e.getFilteredPolicy(0, "alice");
```

#### GetNamedPolicy()

GetNamedPolicy gets all the authorization rules in the named policy.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
namedPolicy := e.GetNamedPolicy("p")

const namedPolicy = await e.getNamedPolicy('p')

$namedPolicy = $e->getNamedPolicy("p");

named_policy = e.get_named_policy("p")
```

```
var namedPolicy = e.GetNamedPolicy("p");
let named_policy = e.get_named_policy("p");
List<List<String>> namedPolicy = e.getNamedPolicy("p");
```

### GetFilteredNamedPolicy()

GetFilteredNamedPolicy gets all the authorization rules in the named policy, field filters can be specified.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
filteredNamedPolicy = e.GetFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "bob")

const filteredNamedPolicy = await e.getFilteredNamedPolicy('p', 0, 'bob')

$filteredNamedPolicy = $e->getFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "bob");

filtered_named_policy = e.get_filtered_named_policy("p", 0, "alice")

var filteredNamedPolicy = e.GetFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "alice");

let filtered_named_policy = e.get_filtered_named_policy("p", 0, vec!["bob".to_owned()]);

List<List<String>> filteredNamedPolicy = e.getFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "bob");
```

## GetGroupingPolicy()

GetGroupingPolicy gets all the role inheritance rules in the policy.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
groupingPolicy := e.GetGroupingPolicy()

const groupingPolicy = await e.getGroupingPolicy()

$groupingPolicy = $e->getGroupingPolicy();

grouping_policy = e.get_grouping_policy()

var groupingPolicy = e.GetGroupingPolicy();

let grouping_policy = e.get_grouping_policy();

List<List<String>> groupingPolicy = e.getGroupingPolicy();
```

# GetFilteredGroupingPolicy()

GetFilteredGroupingPolicy gets all the role inheritance rules in the policy, field filters can be specified.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

## GetNamedGroupingPolicy()

GetNamedGroupingPolicy gets all the role inheritance rules in the policy.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
namedGroupingPolicy := e.GetNamedGroupingPolicy("g")

const namedGroupingPolicy = await e.getNamedGroupingPolicy('g')

$namedGroupingPolicy = $e->getNamedGroupingPolicy("g");
```

```
named_grouping_policy = e.get_named_grouping_policy("g")

var namedGroupingPolicy = e.GetNamedGroupingPolicy("g");

let named_grouping_policy = e.get_named_grouping_policy("g");

List<List<String>> namedGroupingPolicy = e.getNamedGroupingPolicy("g");
```

#### GetFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy()

GetFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy gets all the role inheritance rules in the policy.

For example:

Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java

```
namedGroupingPolicy := e.GetFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0,
    "alice")

const namedGroupingPolicy = await
    e.getFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy('g', 0, 'alice')

$namedGroupingPolicy = $e->getFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0,
    "alice");

named_grouping_policy = e.get_filtered_named_grouping_policy("g", 0,
    "alice")

var namedGroupingPolicy = e.GetFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0,
    "alice");

let named_grouping_policy = e.get_filtered_named_groupingPolicy("g",
```

```
List<List<String>> filteredNamedGroupingPolicy =
e.getFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0, "alice");
```

#### HasPolicy()

HasPolicy determines whether an authorization rule exists.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
hasPolicy := e.HasPolicy("data2_admin", "data2", "read")

const hasPolicy = await e.hasPolicy('data2_admin', 'data2', 'read')

$hasPolicy = $e->hasPolicy('data2_admin', 'data2', 'read');

has_policy = e.has_policy("data2_admin", "data2", "read")

var hasPolicy = e.HasPolicy("data2_admin", "data2", "read");

let has_policy = e.has_policy(vec!["data2_admin".to_owned(), "data2".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()]);

boolean hasPolicy = e.hasPolicy("data2_admin", "data2", "read");
```

# HasNamedPolicy()

HasNamedPolicy determines whether a named authorization rule exists.

```
hasNamedPolicy := e.HasNamedPolicy("p", "data2_admin", "data2", "read")

const hasNamedPolicy = await e.hasNamedPolicy('p', 'data2_admin',
    'data2', 'read')

$hasNamedPolicy = $e->hasNamedPolicy("p", "data2_admin", "data2",
    "read");

has_named_policy = e.has_named_policy("p", "data2_admin", "data2",
    "read")

var hasNamedPolicy = e.HasNamedPolicy("p", "data2_admin", "data2",
    "read");

let has_named_policy = e.has_named_policy("p",
    vec!["data2_admin".to_owned(), "data2".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()]);

boolean hasNamedPolicy = e.hasNamedPolicy("p", "data2_admin", "data2",
    "read");
```

## AddPolicy()

AddPolicy adds an authorization rule to the current policy. If the rule already exists, the function returns false and the rule will not be added. Otherwise the function returns true by adding the new rule.

For example:

Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java

```
added := e.AddPolicy('eve', 'data3', 'read')

const p = ['eve', 'data3', 'read']
const added = await e.addPolicy(...p)

$added = $e->addPolicy('eve', 'data3', 'read');

added = e.add_policy("eve", "data3", "read")

var added = e.AddPolicy("eve", "data3", "read");

or
var added = await e.AddPolicyAsync("eve", "data3", "read");

let added = e.add_policy(vec!["eve".to_owned(), "data3".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()]);

boolean added = e.addPolicy("eve", "data3", "read");
```

# AddPolicies()

AddPolicies adds authorization rules to the current policy. The operation is atomic in nature. Hence, if authorization rules consists of rules which are not consistent with the current policy, the function returns false and no policy rule is added to the current policy. If all the authorization rules are consistent with the policy rules, the function returns true and each policy rule is added to the current policy.

```
Go Node.js Python Rust Java
```

```
rules := [][] string {
    []string {"jack", "data4", "read"},
```

```
const rules = [
    ['jack', 'data4', 'read'],
    ['katy', 'data4', 'write'],
    ['leyo', 'data4', 'read'],
    ['ham', 'data4', 'write']
];
const areRulesAdded = await e.addPolicies(rules);
rules = [
    ["jack", "data4", "read"],
    ["katy", "data4", "write"],
    ["leyo", "data4", "read"],
    ["ham", "data4", "write"]
are_rules_added = e.add_policies(rules)
let rules = vec![
    vec!["jack".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
    vec!["katy".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
   vec!["leyo".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
    vec!["ham".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
];
let are_rules_added = e.add_policies(rules).await?
String[][] rules = {
    {"jack", "data4", "read"},
    {"katy", "data4", "write"},
   {"leyo", "data4", "read"},
   {"ham", "data4", "write"},
};
boolean areRulesAdded = e.addPolicies(rules);
```

## AddPoliciesEx()

AddPoliciesEx adds authorization rules to the current policy. If the rule already exists, the rule will not be added. But unlike AddPolicies, other non-existent rules are added instead of returning false directly

For example:

Go

```
ok, err := e.AddPoliciesEx([][]string{{"user1", "data1", "read"},
{"user2", "data2", "read"}})
```

## AddNamedPolicy()

AddNamedPolicy adds an authorization rule to the current named policy. If the rule already exists, the function returns false and the rule will not be added. Otherwise the function returns true by adding the new rule.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
added := e.AddNamedPolicy("p", "eve", "data3", "read")

const p = ['eve', 'data3', 'read']
const added = await e.addNamedPolicy('p', ...p)

$added = $e->addNamedPolicy("p", "eve", "data3", "read");
```

```
added = e.add_named_policy("p", "eve", "data3", "read")
var added = e.AddNamedPolicy("p", "eve", "data3", "read");
or
var added = await e.AddNamedPolicyAsync("p", "eve", "data3", "read");
let added = e.add_named_policy("p", vec!["eve".to_owned(),
   "data3".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()]).await?;
boolean added = e.addNamedPolicy("p", "eve", "data3", "read");
```

#### AddNamedPolicies()

AddNamedPolicies adds authorization rules to the current named policy. The operation is atomic in nature. Hence, if authorization rules consists of rules which are not consistent with the current policy, the function returns false and no policy rule is added to the current policy. If all the authorization rules are consistent with the policy rules, the function returns true and each policy rule is added to the current policy.

For example:

Go Node.js Python Rust Java

```
rules := [][] string {
    []string {"jack", "data4", "read"},
    []string {"katy", "data4", "write"},
    []string {"leyo", "data4", "read"},
    []string {"ham", "data4", "write"},
}
areRulesAdded := e.AddNamedPolicies("p", rules)
```

```
rules = [
    ["jack", "data4", "read"],
    ["katy", "data4", "write"],
    ["leyo", "data4", "read"],
    ["ham", "data4", "write"]
]
are_rules_added = e.add_named_policies("p", rules)
let rules = vec![
   vec!["jack".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
   vec!["katy".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
   vec!["leyo".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
   vec!["ham".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
1;
let are_rules_added := e.add_named_policies("p", rules).await?;
List<List<String>> rules = Arrays.asList(
   Arrays.asList("jack", "data4", "read"),
   Arrays.asList("katy", "data4", "write"),
   Arrays.asList("leyo", "data4", "read"),
   Arrays.asList("ham", "data4", "write")
);
boolean areRulesAdded = e.addNamedPolicies("p", rules);
```

#### AddNamedPoliciesEx()

AddNamedPoliciesEx adds authorization rules to the current named policy. If the rule already exists, the rule will not be added. But unlike AddNamedPolicies, other non-existent rules are added instead of returning false directly

```
ok, err := e.AddNamedPoliciesEx("p", [][]string{{"user1", "data1",
"read"}, {"user2", "data2", "read"}})
```

#### SelfAddPoliciesEx()

SelfAddPoliciesEx adds authorization rules to the current named policy with autoNotifyWatcher disabled. If the rule already exists, the rule will not be added. But unlike SelfAddPolicies, other non-existent rules are added instead of returning false directly

For example:

Go

```
ok, err := e.SelfAddPoliciesEx("p", "p", [][]string{{"user1", "data1",
"read"}, {"user2", "data2", "read"}})
```

# RemovePolicy()

RemovePolicy removes an authorization rule from the current policy.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
removed := e.RemovePolicy("alice", "data1", "read")

const p = ['alice', 'data1', 'read']
const removed = await e.removePolicy(...p)
```

```
$removed = $e->removePolicy("alice", "data1", "read");

removed = e.remove_policy("alice", "data1", "read")

var removed = e.RemovePolicy("alice", "data1", "read");

or

var removed = await e.RemovePolicyAsync("alice", "data1", "read");

let removed = e.remove_policy(vec!["alice".to_owned(),
    "data1".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean removed = e.removePolicy("alice", "data1", "read");
```

## RemovePolicies()

RemovePolicies removes authorization rules from the current policy. The operation is atomic in nature. Hence, if authorization rules consists of rules which are not consistent with the current policy, the function returns false and no policy rule is removed from the current policy. If all the authorization rules are consistent with the policy rules, the function returns true and each policy rule is removed from the current policy.

For example:

Go Node.js Python Rust Java

```
rules := [][] string {
    []string {"jack", "data4", "read"},
    []string {"katy", "data4", "write"},
    []string {"leyo", "data4", "read"},
    []string {"ham", "data4", "write"},
}
areRulesRemoved := e.RemovePolicies(rules)
```

```
const rules = [
    ['jack', 'data4', 'read'],
    ['katy', 'data4', 'write'],
    ['leyo', 'data4', 'read'],
    ['ham', 'data4', 'write']
];
const areRulesRemoved = await e.removePolicies(rules);
rules = [
    ["jack", "data4", "read"],
    ["katy", "data4", "write"],
    ["leyo", "data4", "read"],
    ["ham", "data4", "write"]
are_rules_removed = e.remove_policies(rules)
let rules = vec![
    vec!["jack".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
    vec!["katy".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
   vec!["leyo".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
    vec!["ham".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
];
let are_rules_removed = e.remove_policies(rules).await?;
String[][] rules = {
    {"jack", "data4", "read"},
    {"katy", "data4", "write"},
    {"leyo", "data4", "read"},
    {"ham", "data4", "write"},
};
boolean areRulesRemoved = e.removePolicies(rules);
```

#### RemoveFilteredPolicy()

RemoveFilteredPolicy removes an authorization rule from the current policy, field filters

can be specified. RemovePolicy removes an authorization rule from the current policy.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
removed := e.RemoveFilteredPolicy(0, "alice", "data1", "read")

const p = ['alice', 'data1', 'read']
const removed = await e.removeFilteredPolicy(0, ...p)

$removed = $e->removeFilteredPolicy(0, "alice", "data1", "read");

removed = e.remove_filtered_policy(0, "alice", "data1", "read")

var removed = e.RemoveFilteredPolicy("alice", "data1", "read");

or
var removed = await e.RemoveFilteredPolicyAsync("alice", "data1", "read");

let removed = e.remove_filtered_policy(0, vec!["alice".to_owned(), "data1".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean removed = e.removeFilteredPolicy(0, "alice", "data1", "read");
```

#### RemoveNamedPolicy()

RemoveNamedPolicy removes an authorization rule from the current named policy.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
removed := e.RemoveNamedPolicy("p", "alice", "data1", "read")

const p = ['alice', 'data1', 'read']
const removed = await e.removeNamedPolicy('p', ...p)

$removed = $e->removeNamedPolicy("p", "alice", "data1", "read");

removed = e.remove_named_policy("p", "alice", "data1", "read")

var removed = e.RemoveNamedPolicy("p", "alice", "data1", "read");

or
var removed = await e.RemoveNamedPolicyAsync("p", "alice", "data1", "read");

let removed = e.remove_named_policy("p", vec!["alice".to_owned(), "data1".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean removed = e.removeNamedPolicy("p", "alice", "data1", "read");
```

## RemoveNamedPolicies()

RemoveNamedPolicies removes authorization rules from the current named policy. The operation is atomic in nature. Hence, if authorization rules consists of rules which are not consistent with the current policy, the function returns false and no policy rule is removed from the current policy. If all the authorization rules are consistent with the policy rules, the function returns true and each policy rule is removed from the current policy.

```
Go Node.js Python Rust Java
```

```
rules := [][] string {
```

```
const rules = [
    ['jack', 'data4', 'read'],
    ['katy', 'data4', 'write'],
    ['leyo', 'data4', 'read'],
    ['ham', 'data4', 'write']
];
const areRulesRemoved = await e.removeNamedPolicies('p', rules);
rules = [
    ["jack", "data4", "read"],
    ["katy", "data4", "write"],
    ["leyo", "data4", "read"],
    ["ham", "data4", "write"]
are_rules_removed = e.remove_named_policies("p", rules)
let rules = vec![
    vec!["jack".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
    vec!["katy".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
   vec!["leyo".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
    vec!["ham".to_owned(), "data4".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
];
let areRulesRemoved = e.remove_named_policies("p", rules).await?;
List<List<String>> rules = Arrays.asList(
    Arrays.asList("jack", "data4", "read"),
    Arrays.asList("katy", "data4", "write"),
    Arrays.asList("leyo", "data4", "read"),
    Arrays.asList("ham", "data4", "write")
);
boolean areRulesRemoved = e.removeNamedPolicies("p", rules);
```

#### RemoveFilteredNamedPolicy()

RemoveFilteredNamedPolicy removes an authorization rule from the current named

policy, field filters can be specified.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
removed := e.RemoveFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "alice", "data1",
"read")
const p = ['alice', 'data1', 'read']
const removed = await e.removeFilteredNamedPolicy('p', 0, ...p)
$removed = $e->removeFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "alice", "data1",
"read");
removed = e.remove_filtered_named_policy("p", 0, "alice", "data1",
"read")
var removed = e.RemoveFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "alice", "data1",
"read");
or
var removed = e.RemoveFilteredNamedPolicyAync("p", 0, "alice",
"data1", "read");
let removed = e.remove_filtered_named_policy("p", 0,
vec!["alice".to_owned(), "data1".to_owned(),
"read".to_owned()]).await?;
boolean removed = e.removeFilteredNamedPolicy("p", 0, "alice",
"data1", "read");
```

### HasGroupingPolicy()

HasGroupingPolicy determines whether a role inheritance rule exists.

For example:

Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java

```
has := e.HasGroupingPolicy("alice", "data2_admin")

const has = await e.hasGroupingPolicy('alice', 'data2_admin')

$has = $e->hasGroupingPolicy("alice", "data2_admin");

has = e.has_grouping_policy("alice", "data2_admin")

var has = e.HasGroupingPolicy("alice", "data2_admin");

let has = e.has_grouping_policy(vec!["alice".to_owned(), "data2_admin".to_owned()]);

boolean has = e.hasGroupingPolicy("alice", "data2_admin");
```

## HasNamedGroupingPolicy()

HasNamedGroupingPolicy determines whether a named role inheritance rule exists.

For example:

Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java

```
has := e.HasNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "alice", "data2_admin")

const has = await e.hasNamedGroupingPolicy('g', 'alice', 'data2_admin')
```

```
$has = $e->hasNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "alice", "data2_admin");
has = e.has_named_grouping_policy("g", "alice", "data2_admin")

var has = e.HasNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "alice", "data2_admin");

let has = e.has_named_grouping_policy("g", vec!["alice".to_owned(), "data2_admin".to_owned()]);

boolean has = e.hasNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "alice", "data2_admin");
```

## AddGroupingPolicy()

AddGroupingPolicy adds a role inheritance rule to the current policy. If the rule already exists, the function returns false and the rule will not be added. Otherwise the function returns true by adding the new rule.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
added := e.AddGroupingPolicy("group1", "data2_admin")

const added = await e.addGroupingPolicy('group1', 'data2_admin')

$added = $e->addGroupingPolicy("group1", "data2_admin");

added = e.add_grouping_policy("group1", "data2_admin")

var added = e.AddGroupingPolicy("group1", "data2_admin");
or
```

```
let added = e.add_grouping_policy(vec!["group1".to_owned(),
   "data2_admin".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean added = e.addGroupingPolicy("group1", "data2_admin");
```

## AddGroupingPolicies()

AddGroupingPolicies adds role inheritance rules to the current policy. The operation is atomic in nature. Hence, if authorization rules consists of rules which are not consistent with the current policy, the function returns false and no policy rule is added to the current policy. If all authorization the rules are consistent with the policy rules, the function returns true and each policy rule is added to the current policy.

For example:

Go Node.js Python Rust Java

```
rules := [][] string {
    []string {"ham", "data4_admin"},
    []string {"jack", "data5_admin"},
}
areRulesAdded := e.AddGroupingPolicies(rules)

const groupingRules = [
    ['ham', 'data4_admin'],
    ['jack', 'data5_admin']
];

const areRulesAdded = await e.addGroupingPolicies(groupingRules);

rules = [
    ["ham", "data4_admin"],
```

```
let rules = vec![
    vec!["ham".to_owned(), "data4_admin".to_owned()],
    vec!["jack".to_owned(), "data5_admin".to_owned()],
];
let areRulesAdded = e.add_grouping_policies(rules).await?;

String[][] groupingRules = {
    {"ham", "data4_admin"},
    {"jack", "data5_admin"}
};
boolean areRulesAdded = e.addGroupingPolicies(groupingRules);
```

### AddGroupingPoliciesEx()

AddGroupingPoliciesEx adds role inheritance rules to the current policy. If the rule already exists, the rule will not be added. But unlike AddGroupingPolicies, other non-existent rules are added instead of returning false directly

For example:

Go

#### AddNamedGroupingPolicy()

AddNamedGroupingPolicy adds a named role inheritance rule to the current policy. If the rule already exists, the function returns false and the rule will not be added. Otherwise the function returns true by adding the new rule.

```
added := e.AddNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "group1", "data2_admin")

const added = await e.addNamedGroupingPolicy('g', 'group1',
   'data2_admin')

$added = $e->addNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "group1", "data2_admin");

added = e.add_named_grouping_policy("g", "group1", "data2_admin")

var added = e.AddNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "group1", "data2_admin");

or
   var added = await e.AddNamedGroupingPolicyAsync("g", "group1",
   "data2_admin");

let added = e.add_named_grouping_policy("g", vec!["group1".to_owned(),
   "data2_admin".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean added = e.addNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "group1", "data2_admin");
```

#### AddNamedGroupingPolicies()

AddNamedGroupingPolicies adds named role inheritance rules to the current policy. The operation is atomic in nature. Hence, if authorization rules consists of rules which are not consistent with the current policy, the function returns false and no policy rule is added to the current policy. If all the authorization rules are consistent with the policy rules, the function returns true and each policy rule is added to the current policy.

For example:

Go Node.js Python Rust Java

```
rules := [][] string {
    []string {"ham", "data4_admin"},
    []string {"jack", "data5_admin"},
}
areRulesAdded := e.AddNamedGroupingPolicies("g", rules)
const groupingRules = [
    ['ham', 'data4_admin'],
    ['jack', 'data5_admin']
 1;
const areRulesAdded = await e.addNamedGroupingPolicies('g',
groupingRules);
rules = [
    ["ham", "data4_admin"],
    ["jack", "data5_admin"]
]
are_rules_added = e.add_named_grouping_policies("g", rules)
let rules = vec![
    vec!["ham".to_owned(), "data4_admin".to_owned()],
    vec!["jack".to_owned(), "data5_admin".to_owned()],
];
let are_rules_added = e.add_named_grouping_policies("g", rules).await?;
String[][] groupingRules = {
    {"ham", "data4_admin"},
    {"jack", "data5_admin"}
};
boolean areRulesAdded = e.addNamedGroupingPolicies("g", groupingRules);
```

### AddNamedGroupingPoliciesEx()

AddNamedGroupingPoliciesEx adds named role inheritance rules to the current policy. If the rule already exists, the rule will not be added. But unlike AddNamedGroupingPolicies, other non-existent rules are added instead of returning false directly

For example:

Go

```
ok, err := e.AddNamedGroupingPoliciesEx("g", [][]string{{"user1",
"member"}, {"user2", "member"}})
```

#### RemoveGroupingPolicy()

RemoveGroupingPolicy removes a role inheritance rule from the current policy.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
removed := e.RemoveGroupingPolicy("alice", "data2_admin")

const removed = await e.removeGroupingPolicy('alice', 'data2_admin')

$removed = $e->removeGroupingPolicy("alice", "data2_admin");

removed = e.remove_grouping_policy("alice", "data2_admin")

var removed = e.RemoveGroupingPolicy("alice", "data2_admin");
```

```
let removed = e.remove_grouping_policy(vec!["alice".to_owned(),
   "data2_admin".to_owned()]).await?;
boolean removed = e.removeGroupingPolicy("alice", "data2_admin");
```

### RemoveGroupingPolicies()

RemoveGroupingPolicies removes role inheritance rules from the current policy. The operation is atomic in nature. Hence, if authorization rules consists of rules which are not consistent with the current policy, the function returns false and no policy rule is removed from the current policy. If all the authorization rules are consistent with the policy rules, the function returns true and each policy rule is removed from the current policy.

For example:

Go Node.js Rust Python Java

#### RemoveFilteredGroupingPolicy()

RemoveFilteredGroupingPolicy removes a role inheritance rule from the current policy, field filters can be specified.

For example:

```
removed := e.RemoveFilteredGroupingPolicy(0, "alice")

const removed = await e.removeFilteredGroupingPolicy(0, 'alice')

$removed = $e->removeFilteredGroupingPolicy(0, "alice");

removed = e.remove_filtered_grouping_policy(0, "alice")

var removed = e.RemoveFilteredGroupingPolicy(0, "alice");

or

var removed = await e.RemoveFilteredGroupingPolicyAsync(0, "alice");
```

```
let removed = e.remove_filtered_grouping_policy(0,
vec!["alice".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean removed = e.removeFilteredGroupingPolicy(0, "alice");
```

# RemoveNamedGroupingPolicy()

RemoveNamedGroupingPolicy removes a role inheritance rule from the current named policy.

For example:

```
removed := e.RemoveNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "alice")

const removed = await e.removeNamedGroupingPolicy('g', 'alice')

$removed = $e->removeNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "alice");

removed = e.remove_named_grouping_policy("g", "alice", "data2_admin")

var removed = e.RemoveNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "alice");

or
    var removed = await e.RemoveNamedGroupingPolicyAsync("g", "alice");

let removed = e.remove_named_grouping_policy("g", vec!["alice".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean removed = e.removeNamedGroupingPolicy("g", "alice");
```

#### RemoveNamedGroupingPolicies()

RemoveNamedGroupingPolicies removes named role inheritance rules from the current policy. The operation is atomic in nature. Hence, if authorization rules consists of rules which are not consistent with the current policy, the function returns false and no policy rule is removed from the current policy. If all the authorization rules are consistent with the policy rules, the function returns true and each policy rule is removed from the current policy.

For example:

Go Node.js Python Rust Java

```
rules := [][] string {
    []string {"ham", "data4_admin"},
    []string {"jack", "data5_admin"},
}

areRulesRemoved := e.RemoveNamedGroupingPolicies("g", rules)

const groupingRules = [
    ['ham', 'data4_admin'],
    ['jack', 'data5_admin']
];

const areRulesRemoved = await e.removeNamedGroupingPolicies('g', groupingRules);

rules = [
    ["ham", "data4_admin"],
    ["jack", "data5_admin"]
]
are_rules_removed = e.remove_named_grouping_policies("g", rules)
```

```
let rules = vec![
    vec!["ham".to_owned(), "data4_admin".to_owned()],
    vec!["jack".to_owned(), "data5_admin".to_owned()],
];

let are_rules_removed = e.remove_named_grouping_policies("g",
rules).await?;

String[][] groupingRules = {
    {"ham", "data4_admin"},
    {"jack", "data5_admin"}
};
boolean areRulesRemoved = e.removeNamedGroupingPolicies("g",
groupingRules);
```

#### RemoveFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy()

RemoveFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy removes a role inheritance rule from the current named policy, field filters can be specified.

For example:

```
removed := e.RemoveFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0, "alice")

const removed = await e.removeFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy('g', 0, 'alice')

$removed = $e->removeFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0, "alice");

removed = e.remove_filtered_named_grouping_policy("g", 0, "alice")
```

```
var removed = e.RemoveFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0, "alice");
or
var removed = await e.RemoveFilteredNamedGroupingPolicyAsync("g", 0,
   "alice");

let removed = e.remove_filtered_named_groupingPolicy("g", 0,
   vec!["alice".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean removed = e.removeFilteredNamedGroupingPolicy("g", 0, "alice");
```

#### UpdatePolicy()

UpdatePolicy update a old policy to new policy.

For example:

Go Node.js Python Java

```
updated, err := e.UpdatePolicy([]string{"eve", "data3", "read"},
[]string{"eve", "data3", "write"})

const update = await e.updatePolicy(["eve", "data3", "read"], ["eve",
"data3", "write"]);

updated = e.update_policy(["eve", "data3", "read"], ["eve", "data3",
"write"])

boolean updated = e.updatePolicy(Arrays.asList("eve", "data3",
"read"), Arrays.asList("eve", "data3", "write"));
```

#### UpdatePolicies()

UpdatePolicies updates all old policies to new policies.

For example:

Go Python

```
updated, err := e.UpdatePolicies([][]string{{"eve", "data3", "read"},
    {"jack", "data3", "read"}}, [][]string{{"eve", "data3", "write"},
    {"jack", "data3", "write"}})

old_rules = [["eve", "data3", "read"], ["jack", "data3", "read"]]
    new_rules = [["eve", "data3", "write"], ["jack", "data3", "write"]]

updated = e.update_policies(old_rules, new_rules)
```

#### AddFunction()

AddFunction adds a customized function.

For example:

```
func CustomFunction(key1 string, key2 string) bool {
   if key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" && key2 ==
   "/alice_data/:resource" {
       return true
   } else if key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" && key2 ==
   "/alice_data2/:id/using/:resId" {
       return true
```

```
function customFunction(key1, key2){
    if(key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" && key2 ==
"/alice_data/:resource") {
        return true
   } else if(key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" && key2 ==
"/alice_data2/:id/using/:resId") {
        return true
   } else {
        return false
}
e.addFunction("keyMatchCustom", customFunction);
func customFunction($key1, $key2) {
    if ($key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" && $key2 ==
"/alice_data/:resource") {
        return true;
   } elseif ($key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" && $key2 ==
"/alice_data2/:id/using/:resId") {
        return true;
   } else {
        return false;
   }
}
func customFunctionWrapper(...$args){
   sey1 := sargs[0];
   $key2 := $args[1];
   return customFunction($key1, $key2);
}
$e->addFunction("keyMatchCustom", customFunctionWrapper);
def custom_function(key1, key2):
    return ((key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" and key2 ==
"/alice_data/:resource") or (key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id"
```

```
fn custom_function(key1: STring, key2: String) {
    key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" && key2 ==
"/alice_data/:resource" || key1 == "/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id" &&
key2 == "/alice_data2/:id/using/:resId"
}
e.add_function("keyMatchCustom", custom_function);
public static class CustomFunc extends CustomFunction {
   @Override
    public AviatorObject call(Map<String, Object> env, AviatorObject
arg1, AviatorObject arg2) {
        String key1 = FunctionUtils.getStringValue(arg1, env);
        String key2 = FunctionUtils.getStringValue(arg2, env);
        if (key1.equals("/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id") &&
key2.equals("/alice_data/:resource")) {
            return AviatorBoolean.valueOf(true);
        } else if (key1.equals("/alice_data2/myid/using/res_id") &&
key2.equals("/alice_data2/:id/using/:resId")) {
            return AviatorBoolean.valueOf(true);
       } else {
            return AviatorBoolean.valueOf(false);
        }
   }
   @Override
   public String getName() {
        return "keyMatchCustom";
   }
}
FunctionTest.CustomFunc customFunc = new FunctionTest.CustomFunc();
e.addFunction(customFunc.getName(), customFunc);
```

#### LoadFilteredPolicy()

LoadFilteredPolicy loads filtered policies from file/database.

```
err := e.LoadFilteredPolicy()

const ok = await e.loadFilteredPolicy();

class Filter:
    P = []
    G = []

adapter =
    casbin.persist.adapters.FilteredAdapter("rbac_with_domains_policy.csv")
e = casbin.Enforcer("rbac_with_domains_model.conf", adapter)
filter = Filter()
filter.P = ["", "domain1"]
filter.G = ["", "", "domain1"]
e.load_filtered_policy(filter)

e.loadFilteredPolicy(new String[] { "", "domain1" });
```

#### LoadIncrementalFilteredPolicy()

LoadIncrementalFilteredPolicy append a filtered policy from file/database.

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
err := e.LoadIncrementalFilteredPolicy()

const ok = await e.loadIncrementalFilteredPolicy();

adapter = casbin.persist.adapters.FilteredAdapter("rbac_with_domains_policy.csv")
```

#### UpdateGroupingPolicy()

UpdateGroupingPolicy updates oldRule to newRulein g section

For example:

Go Java

```
succeed, err : = e.UpdateGroupingPolicy([]string{"data3_admin",
   "data4_admin"}, []string{"admin", "data4_admin"})

boolean succeed = e.updateGroupingPolicy(Arrays.asList("data3_admin",
   "data4_admin"), Arrays.asList("admin", "data4_admin"));
```

#### UpdateNamedGroupingPolicy()

UpdateNamedGroupingPolicy updates oldRule named ptype to newRulein g section

For example:

Go Java

```
succeed, err : = e.UpdateGroupingPolicy("g1",[]string{"data3_admin",
   "data4_admin"}, []string{"admin", "data4_admin"})

boolean succeed = e.updateNamedGroupingPolicy("g1",
   Arrays.asList("data3_admin", "data4_admin"), Arrays.asList("admin",
   "data4_admin"));
```

#### SetFieldIndex()

SetFieldIndex suport customization of conventional name and position of sub, obj,

domain and priority.

```
[policy_definition]
p = customized_priority, obj, act, eft, subject
```

For example:

Go

```
e.SetFieldIndex("p", constant.PriorityIndex, 0)
e.SetFieldIndex("p", constant.SubjectIndex, 4)
```

# RBAC API

A more friendly API for RBAC. This API is a subset of Management API. The RBAC users could use this API to simplify the code.

# Reference

global variable e is Enforcer instance.

```
e, err := NewEnforcer("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_policy.csv")

const e = await newEnforcer('examples/rbac_model.conf',
    'examples/rbac_policy.csv')

$e = new Enforcer('examples/rbac_model.conf', 'examples/
rbac_policy.csv');

e = casbin.Enforcer("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_policy.csv")

var e = new Enforcer("path/to/model.conf", "path/to/
policy.csv");

let mut e = Enforcer::new("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
```

```
Enforcer e = new Enforcer("examples/rbac_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_policy.csv");
```

# GetRolesForUser()

GetRolesForUser gets the roles that a user has.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
res := e.GetRolesForUser("alice")

const res = await e.getRolesForUser('alice')

$res = $e->getRolesForUser("alice");

roles = e.get_roles_for_user("alice")

var res = e.GetRolesForUser("alice");

let roles = e.get_roles_for_user("alice", None); // No domain

List<String> res = e.getRolesForUser("alice");
```

## GetUsersForRole()

GetUsersForRole gets the users that has a role.

For example:

Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java

```
res := e.GetUsersForRole("data1_admin")

const res = await e.getUsersForRole('data1_admin')

$res = $e->getUsersForRole("data1_admin");

users = e.get_users_for_role("data1_admin")

var res = e.GetUsersForRole("data1_admin");

let users = e.get_users_for_role("data1_admin", None); // No domain

List<String> res = e.getUsersForRole("data1_admin");
```

# HasRoleForUser()

HasRoleForUser determines whether a user has a role.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
res := e.HasRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin")
```

```
const res = await e.hasRoleForUser('alice', 'data1_admin')

$res = $e->hasRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin");

has = e.has_role_for_user("alice", "data1_admin")

var res = e.HasRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin");

let has = e.has_role_for_user("alice", "data1_admin", None); //
No domain

boolean res = e.hasRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin");
```

#### AddRoleForUser()

AddRoleForUser adds a role for a user. Returns false if the user already has the role (aka not affected).

For example:

```
e.AddRoleForUser("alice", "data2_admin")

await e.addRoleForUser('alice', 'data2_admin')

$e->addRoleForUser("alice", "data2_admin");
```

```
e.add_role_for_user("alice", "data2_admin")

var added = e.AddRoleForUser("alice", "data2_admin");
or
var added = await e.AddRoleForUserAsync("alice", "data2_admin");

let added = e.add_role_for_user("alice", "data2_admin",
None).await?; // No domain

boolean added = e.addRoleForUser("alice", "data2_admin");
```

#### AddRolesForUser()

AddRolesForUser adds multiple roles for a user. Returns false if the user already has one of these roles (aka not affected).

For example:

Go Node.js Rust

```
var roles = []string{"data2_admin", "data1_admin"}
e.AddRolesForUser("alice", roles)

const roles = ["data1_admin", "data2_admin"];
roles.map((role) => e.addRoleForUser("alice", role));

let roles = vec!["data1_admin".to_owned(),
    "data2_admin".to_owned()];
let all_added = e.add_roles_for_user("alice", roles,
```

## DeleteRoleForUser()

DeleteRoleForUser deletes a role for a user. Returns false if the user does not have the role (aka not affected).

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
e.DeleteRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin")

await e.deleteRoleForUser('alice', 'data1_admin')

$e->deleteRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin");

e.delete_role_for_user("alice", "data1_admin")

var deleted = e.DeleteRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin");

or

var deleted = await e.DeleteRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin");

let deleted = e.delete_role_for_user("alice", "data1_admin"),

None).await?; // No domain

boolean deleted = e.deleteRoleForUser("alice", "data1_admin");
```

# DeleteRolesForUser()

DeleteRolesForUser deletes all roles for a user. Returns false if the user does not

have any roles (aka not affected).

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

#### DeleteUser()

DeleteUser deletes a user. Returns false if the user does not exist (aka not affected).

```
e.DeleteUser("alice")

await e.deleteUser('alice')

$e->deleteUser("alice");

e.delete_user("alice")

var deleted = e.DeleteUser("alice");

or
    var deleted = await e.DeleteUserAsync("alice");

let deleted = e.delete_user("alice").await?;

boolean deleted = e.deleteUser("alice");
```

# DeleteRole()

DeleteRole deletes a role.

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
e.DeleteRole("data2_admin")
```

```
await e.deleteRole("data2_admin")

$e->deleteRole("data2_admin");

e.delete_role("data2_admin")

var deleted = e.DeleteRole("data2_admin");

or

var deleted = await e.DeleteRoleAsync("data2_admin");

let deleted = e.delete_role("data2_admin").await?;

e.deleteRole("data2_admin");
```

# DeletePermission()

DeletePermission deletes a permission. Returns false if the permission does not exist (aka not affected).

For example:

```
e.DeletePermission("read")

await e.deletePermission('read')

$e->deletePermission("read");
```

```
e.delete_permission("read")

var deleted = e.DeletePermission("read");
or
var deleted = await e.DeletePermissionAsync("read");

let deleted = e.delete_permission(vec!["read".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean deleted = e.deletePermission("read");
```

# AddPermissionForUser()

AddPermissionForUser adds a permission for a user or role. Returns false if the user or role already has the permission (aka not affected).

For example:

```
e.AddPermissionForUser("bob", "read")

await e.addPermissionForUser('bob', 'read')

$e->addPermissionForUser("bob", "read");

e.add_permission_for_user("bob", "read")
```

```
var added = e.AddPermissionForUser("bob", "read");
or
var added = await e.AddPermissionForUserAsync("bob", "read");
let added = e.add_permission_for_user("bob",
vec!["read".to_owned()]).await?;
boolean added = e.addPermissionForUser("bob", "read");
```

# AddPermissionsForUser()

AddPermissionsForUser adds multiple permissions for a user or role. Returns false if the user or role already has one of the permissions (aka not affected).

For example:

Go Node.js Rust

```
var permissions = [][]string{{"data1",
    "read"}, {"data2", "write"}}
for i := 0; i < len(permissions); i++ {
        e.AddPermissionsForUser("alice", permissions[i])
}

const permissions = [
        ["data1", "read"],
        ["data2", "write"],
];

permissions.map((permission) => e.addPermissionForUser("bob",
```

```
let permissions = vec![
    vec!["data1".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()],
    vec!["data2".to_owned(), "write".to_owned()],
];
let all_added = e.add_permissions_for_user("bob",
    permissions).await?;
```

#### DeletePermissionForUser()

DeletePermissionForUser deletes a permission for a user or role. Returns false if the user or role does not have the permission (aka not affected).

For example:

```
e.DeletePermissionForUser("bob", "read")

await e.deletePermissionForUser("bob", "read")

$e->deletePermissionForUser("bob", "read");

e.delete_permission_for_user("bob", "read")

var deleted = e.DeletePermissionForUser("bob", "read");

or

var deleted = await e.DeletePermissionForUserAsync("bob", "read");
```

```
let deleted = e.delete_permission_for_user("bob",
vec!["read".to_owned()]).await?;

boolean deleted = e.deletePermissionForUser("bob", "read");
```

#### DeletePermissionsForUser()

DeletePermissionsForUser deletes permissions for a user or role. Returns false if the user or role does not have any permissions (aka not affected).

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
e.DeletePermissionsForUser("bob")

await e.deletePermissionsForUser('bob')

$e->deletePermissionsForUser("bob");

e.delete_permissions_for_user("bob")

var deletedAtLeastOne = e.DeletePermissionsForUser("bob");

or
 var deletedAtLeastOne = await
 e.DeletePermissionsForUserAsync("bob");

let deleted_at_least_one = e.delete_permissions_for_user("bob").await?;
```

```
boolean deletedAtLeastOne = e.deletePermissionForUser("bob");
```

## GetPermissionsForUser()

GetPermissionsForUser gets permissions for a user or role.

For example:

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Java
```

```
e.GetPermissionsForUser("bob")

await e.getPermissionsForUser('bob')

$e->getPermissionsForUser("bob");

e.get_permissions_for_user("bob")

var permissions = e.GetPermissionsForUser("bob");

List<List<String>> permissions = e.getPermissionsForUser("bob");
```

# HasPermissionForUser()

HasPermissionForUser determines whether a user has a permission.

```
e.HasPermissionForUser("alice", []string{"read"})

await e.hasPermissionForUser('alice', 'read')

$e->hasPermissionForUser("alice", []string{"read"});

has = e.has_permission_for_user("alice", "read")

var has = e.HasPermissionForUser("bob", "read");

let has = e.has_permission_for_user("alice", vec!["data1".to_owned(), "read".to_owned()]);

boolean has = e.hasPermissionForUser("alice", "read");
```

# GetImplicitRolesForUser()

GetImplicitRolesForUser gets implicit roles that a user has. Compared to GetRolesForUser(), this function retrieves indirect roles besides direct roles.

```
For example:
```

```
g, alice, role:admin
```

g, role:admin, role:user

GetRolesForUser("alice") can only get: ["role:admin"].

But GetImplicitRolesForUser("alice") will get: ["role:admin", "role:user"].

```
e.GetImplicitRolesForUser("alice")

await e.getImplicitRolesForUser("alice")

$e->getImplicitRolesForUser("alice");

e.get_implicit_roles_for_user("alice")

var implicitRoles = e.GetImplicitRolesForUser("alice");

e.get_implicit_roles_for_user("alice", None); // No domain

List<String> implicitRoles = e.getImplicitRolesForUser("alice");
```

#### GetImplicitUsersForRole()

GetImplicitUsersForRole gets all users inheriting the role. Compared to GetUsersForRole(), this function retrieves indirect users.

```
For example:
```

g, alice, role:admin

g, role:admin, role:user

GetUsersForRole("role:user") can only get: ["role:admin"].

But GetImplicitUesrsForRole("role:user") will get: ["role:admin", "alice"].

```
users := e.GetImplicitUsersForRole("role:user")

const users = e.getImplicitUsersForRole("role:user");

List<String> users = e.getImplicitUsersForRole("role:user");
```

### GetImplicitPermissionsForUser()

GetImplicitPermissionsForUser gets implicit permissions for a user or role. Compared to GetPermissionsForUser(), this function retrieves permissions for inherited roles.

```
For example: p. admin. data
```

p, admin, data1, read

p, alice, data2, read

g, alice, admin

GetPermissionsForUser("alice") can only get: [["alice", "data2", "read"]].

But GetImplicitPermissionsForUser("alice") will get: [["admin", "data1", "read"],

["alice", "data2", "read"]].

```
Go Node.js PHP Python .NET Rust Java
```

```
e.GetImplicitPermissionsForUser("alice")
```

```
await e.getImplicitPermissionsForUser("alice")

$e->getImplicitPermissionsForUser("alice");

e.get_implicit_permissions_for_user("alice")

var implicitPermissions =
    e.GetImplicitPermissionsForUser("alice");

e.get_implicit_permissions_for_user("alice", None); // No domain

List<List<String>> implicitPermissions =
    e.getImplicitPermissionsForUser("alice");
```

### GetNamedImplicitPermissionsForUser()

GetNamedImplicitPermissionsForUser gets implicit permissions for a user or role by named policy Compared to GetImplicitPermissionsForUser(), this function allow you to specify the policy name.

For example: p, admin, data1, read p2, admin, create g, alice, admin

GetImplicitPermissionsForUser("alice") only get: [["admin", "data1", "read"]], whose policy is default "p"

But you can specify the policy as "p2" to get: [["admin", "create"]] by GetNamedImplicitPermissionsForUser("p2","alice")

```
Go Python
```

```
e.GetNamedImplicitPermissionsForUser("p2", "alice")
e.get_named_implicit_permissions_for_user("p2", "alice")
```

### GetDomainsForUser()

GetDomainsForUser gets all domains which a user has.

For example: p, admin, domain1, data1, read p, admin, domain2, data2, read p, admin, domain2, data2, write g, alice, admin, domain1 g, alice, admin, domain2

GetDomainsForUser("alice") could get ["domain1", "domain2"]

For example:

Go

```
result, err := e.GetDomainsForUser("alice")
```

# GetImplicitResourcesForUser()

GetImplicitResourcesForUser returns all policies that should be true for user.

```
p, alice, data1, read
```

GetImplicitResourcesForUser("alice") will return [[alice data1 read] [alice data2 read] [alice data2 write]]

Go

```
resources, err := e.GetImplicitResourcesForUser("alice")
```

### GetImplicitUsersForPermission()

GetImplicitUsersForPermission gets implicit users for a permission.

For example:

```
p, admin, data1, read
p, bob, data1, read
g, alice, admin
```

GetImplicitUsersForPermission("data1", "read") will return: ["alice", "bob"].

Note: only users will be returned, roles (2nd arg in "g") will be excluded.

Go

```
users, err := e.GetImplicitUsersForPermission("data1", "read")
```

# GetAllowedObjectConditions()

GetAllowedObjectConditions returns a string array of object conditions that the

user can access.

#### For example:

```
p, alice, r.obj.price < 25, read
p, admin, r.obj.category_id = 2, read
p, bob, r.obj.author = bob, write
g, alice, admin</pre>
```

```
e.GetAllowedObjectConditions("alice", "read", "r.obj.") will return ["price < 25",
"category_id = 2"], nil</pre>
```

#### Note:

- 0. prefix: You can customize the prefix of the object conditions, and "r.obj." is commonly used as a prefix. After removing the prefix, the remaining part is the condition of the object. If there is an obj policy that does not meet the prefix requirement, an errors.ERR\_OBJ\_CONDITION will be returned.
- If the 'objectConditions' array is empty, return
   errors.ERR\_EMPTY\_CONDITION This error is returned because some data
   adapters' ORM return full table data by default when they receive an empty
   condition, which tends to behave contrary to expectations.(e.g. GORM) If you
   are using an adapter that does not behave like this, you can choose to ignore
   this error.

Go

```
conditions, err := e.GetAllowedObjectConditions("alice",
"read", "r.obj.")
```

# RBAC with Domains API

A more friendly API for RBAC with domains. This API is a subset of Management API. The RBAC users could use this API to simplify the code.

#### Reference

global variable e is Enforcer instance.

```
e, err := NewEnforcer("examples/rbac_with_domains_model.conf",
"examples/rbac_with_domains_policy.csv")

const e = await newEnforcer('examples/
rbac_with_domains_model.conf', 'examples/
rbac_with_domains_policy.csv')

$e = new Enforcer('examples/rbac_with_domains_model.conf',
'examples/rbac_with_domains_policy.csv');

e = casbin.Enforcer("examples/rbac_with_domains_model.conf",
"examples/rbac_with_domains_policy.csv")

var e = new Enforcer("examples/rbac_with_domains_model.conf",
"examples/rbac_with_domains_policy.csv");
```

```
let mut e = Enforcer::new("examples/
rbac_with_domains_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_with_domains_policy.csv").await?;

Enforcer e = new Enforcer("examples/
rbac_with_domains_model.conf", "examples/
rbac_with_domains_policy.csv");
```

#### GetUsersForRoleInDomain()

GetUsersForRoleInDomain gets the users that has a role inside a domain.

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
res := e.GetUsersForRoleInDomain("admin", "domain1")

const res = e.getUsersForRoleInDomain("admin", "domain1")

res = e.get_users_for_role_in_domain("admin", "domain1")
```

#### GetRolesForUserInDomain()

GetRolesForUserInDomain gets the roles that a user has inside a domain.

Go Node.js Python Java

```
res := e.GetRolesForUserInDomain("admin", "domain1")

const res = e.getRolesForUserInDomain("alice", "domain1")

res = e.get_roles_for_user_in_domain("alice", "domain1")

List<String> res = e.getRolesForUserInDomain("admin", "domain1");
```

#### GetPermissionsForUserInDomain()

GetPermissionsForUserInDomain gets permissions for a user or role inside a domain.

For example:

Go Java

```
res := e.GetPermissionsForUserInDomain("alice", "domain1")
List<List<String>> res =
e.getPermissionsForUserInDomain("alice", "domain1");
```

#### AddRoleForUserInDomain()

AddRoleForUserInDomain adds a role for a user inside a domain. Returns false if

the user already has the role (aka not affected).

For example:

```
Go Python Java
```

```
ok, err := e.AddRoleForUserInDomain("alice", "admin", "domain1")

ok = e.add_role_for_user_in_domain("alice", "admin", "domain1")

boolean ok = e.addRoleForUserInDomain("alice", "admin", "domain1");
```

# DeleteRoleForUserInDomain()

DeleteRoleForUserInDomain deletes a role for a user inside a domain. Returns false if the user does not have the role (aka not affected).

For example:

Go Java

```
ok, err := e.DeleteRoleForUserInDomain("alice", "admin",
  "domain1")

boolean ok = e.deleteRoleForUserInDomain("alice", "admin",
  "domain1");
```

## DeleteRolesForUserInDomain()

DeleteRolesForUserInDomain deletes all roles for a user inside a domain. Returns false if the user does not have any roles (aka not affected).

For example:

Go

```
ok, err := e.DeleteRolesForUserInDomain("alice", "domain1")
```

# GetAllUsersByDomain()

GetAllUsersByDomain would get all users associated with the domain. Returns empty string array if has no domain defined in model.

For example:

Go

```
res := e.GetAllUsersByDomain("domain1")
```

## DeleteAllUsersByDomain()

DeleteAllUsersByDomain would delete all users associated with the domain. Returns false if has no domain defined in model. For example:

Go

```
ok, err := e.DeleteAllUsersByDomain("domain1")
```

## DeleteDomains()

DeleteDomains would delete all associated users and roles. It would delete all domains if parameter is not provided.

For example:

Go

```
ok, err := e.DeleteDomains("domain1", "domain2")
```

# GetAllDomains()

GetAllDomains would get all domains.

For example:

Go

```
res, _ := e.GetAllDomains()
```

## (i) NOTE

If you are handling a domain like <a href="name::domain">name::domain</a>, it may lead to unexpected behavior. In Casbin, <a href=":cisa reversed keyword">cisa reversed keyword</a>, just like <a href="for">for</a>, <a href="if">if</a> in a domain.

# RoleManager API

# RoleManager

RoleManager provides interface to define the operations for managing roles.

Adding matching function to rolemanager allows using wildcards in role name and domain.

## AddNamedMatchingFunc()

AddNamedMatchingFunc add MatchingFunc by ptype to RoleManager. MatchingFunc will work when operating role matching.

Go Node.js

```
e.AddNamedMatchingFunc("g", "", util.KeyMatch)
_, _ = e.AddGroupingPolicies([][]string{{"*", "admin",
"domain1"}})
_, _ = e.GetRoleManager().HasLink("bob", "admin",
"domain1") // -> true, nil

await e.addNamedMatchingFunc('g', Util.keyMatchFunc);
await e.addGroupingPolicies([['*', 'admin', 'domain1']]);
await e.getRoleManager().hasLink('bob', 'admin', 'domain1');
```

For example:

```
e, _ := casbin.NewEnforcer("path/to/model", "path/to/
policy")
    e.AddNamedMatchingFunc("g", "", util.MatchKey)

const e = await newEnforcer('path/to/model', 'path/to/
policy');
    await e.addNamedMatchingFunc('g', Util.keyMatchFunc);
```

## AddNamedDomainMatchingFunc()

AddNamedDomainMatchingFunc add MatchingFunc by ptype to RoleManager.

DomainMatchingFunc is similar to MatchingFunc listed above.

For example:

Go Node.js

```
e, _ := casbin.NewEnforcer("path/to/model", "path/to/
policy")
    e.AddNamedDomainMatchingFunc("g", "", util.MatchKey)

const e = await newEnforcer('path/to/model', 'path/to/
policy');
    await e.addNamedDomainMatchingFunc('g', Util.keyMatchFunc);
```

# GetRoleManager()

GetRoleManager gets the current role manager for g.

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
rm := e.GetRoleManager()

const rm = await e.getRoleManager();

rm = e.get_role_manager()
```

# GetNamedRoleManager()

GetNamedRoleManager gets the role manager by named ptype.

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
rm := e.GetNamedRoleManager("g2")
const rm = await e.getNamedRoleManager("g2");
rm = e.get_named_role_manager("g2")
```

# SetRoleManager()

SetRoleManager sets the current role manager for g.

For example:

```
Go Node.js Python
```

```
e.SetRoleManager(rm)
e.setRoleManager(rm);

rm = e.set_role_manager(rm)
```

# SetNamedRoleManager()

SetNamedRoleManager sets the role manager by named ptype.

For example:

Go Python

```
rm := e.SetNamedRoleManager("g2", rm)
rm = e.set_role_manager("g2", rm)
```

# Clear()

Clear clears all stored data and resets the role manager to the initial state.

For example:

```
Go Node.js Python
```

```
rm.Clear()
await rm.clear();
rm.clear()
```

# AddLink()

AddLink adds the inheritance link between two roles. role: name1 and role: name2. Domain is a prefix to the roles (can be used for other purposes).

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
rm.AddLink("u1", "g1", "domain1")
await rm.addLink('u1', 'g1', 'domain1');
```

```
rm.add_link("u1", "g1", "domain1")
```

## DeleteLink()

DeleteLink deletes the inheritance link between two roles. role: name1 and role: name2. Domain is a prefix to the roles (can be used for other purposes).

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
rm.DeleteLink("u1", "g1", "domain1")
await rm.deleteLink('u1', 'g1', 'domain1');
rm.delete_link("u1", "g1", "domain1")
```

## HasLink()

HasLink determines whether a link exists between two roles. role: name1 inherits role: name2. Domain is a prefix to the roles (can be used for other purposes).

For example:

```
Go Node.js Python
```

```
rm.HasLink("u1", "g1", "domain1")
```

```
await rm.hasLink('u1', 'g1', 'domain1');
rm.has_link("u1", "g1", "domain1")
```

## GetRoles()

GetRoles gets the roles that a user inherits. Domain is a prefix to the roles (can be used for other purposes).

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
rm.GetRoles("u1", "domain1")
await rm.getRoles('u1', 'domain1');
rm.get_roles("u1", "domain")
```

## GetUsers()

GetUsers gets the users that inherits a role. Domain is a prefix to the users (can be used for other purposes).

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
rm.GetUsers("g1")
await rm.getUsers('g1');
rm.get_users("g1")
```

# PrintRoles()

PrintRoles prints all the roles to log.

For example:

Go Node.js Python

```
rm.PrintRoles()
await rm.printRoles();
rm.print_roles()
```

# SetLogger()

SetLogger sets role manager's logger.

For example:

Go

```
logger := log.DefaultLogger{}
logger.EnableLog(true)
rm.SetLogger(&logger)
_ = rm.PrintRoles()
```

# GetDomains()

GetDomains gets domains that a user has

For example:

Go

```
result, err := rm.<mark>GetDomains</mark>(name)
```

# **Data Permissions**

We have two solutions for data permissions (filtering). Using implicit assignment APIs. Or just use BatchEnforce() API.

## 1. Query implicit roles or permissions

When a user inherits a role or permission via RBAC hierarchy instead of directly assigning them in a policy rule, we call such type of assignment as implicit. To query such implicit relations, you need to use these 2 APIs:

GetImplicitRolesForUser() and GetImplicitPermissionsForUser instead of GetRolesForUser() and GetPermissionsForUser. For more details, please see this GitHub issue.

## 2. Use BatchEnforce()

BatchEnforce enforces each request and returns result in a bool array

For example:

Go Node.js Java

```
boolArray, err := e.BatchEnforce(requests)

const boolArray = await e.batchEnforce(requests);

List<Boolean> boolArray = e.batchEnforce(requests);
```



# Advanced usage

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Authorization of Service Mesh through Envoy



# Multi-threading

If you use Casbin in a multi-threading manner, you can use the synchronized wrapper of the Casbin enforcer: https://github.com/casbin/casbin/blob/master/ enforcer\_synced.go (GoLang) and https://github.com/casbin/casbin-cpp/blob/ master/casbin/enforcer\_synced.cpp (C++).

It also supports the AutoLoad feature, which means the Casbin enforcer will automatically load the latest policy rules from DB if it has changed. Call StartAutoLoadPolicy() to start automatically loading policy periodically and call StopAutoLoadPolicy() to stop it.

# Benchmarks

The overhead of policy enforcement is benchmarked in model\_b\_test.go. The testbed is:

```
Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-6700HQ CPU @ 2.60GHz, 2601 Mhz, 4 Core(s),
8 Logical Processor(s)
```

The benchmarking result of go test -bench=. -benchmem is as follows (op = an Enforce() call, ms = millisecond, KB = kilo bytes):

| Test case     | Rule size                                | Time<br>overhead<br>(ms/op) | Memory<br>overhead<br>(KB) |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| ACL           | 2 rules (2 users)                        | 0.015493                    | 5.649                      |
| RBAC          | 5 rules (2 users, 1 role)                | 0.021738                    | 7.522                      |
| RBAC (small)  | 1100 rules (1000 users,<br>100 roles)    | 0.164309                    | 80.620                     |
| RBAC (medium) | 11000 rules (10000<br>users, 1000 roles) | 2.258262                    | 765.152                    |

| Test case                  | Rule size                                   | Time<br>overhead<br>(ms/op) | Memory<br>overhead<br>(KB) |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| RBAC (large)               | 110000 rules (100000<br>users, 10000 roles) | 23.916776                   | 7,606                      |
| RBAC with resource roles   | 6 rules (2 users, 2 roles)                  | 0.021146                    | 7.906                      |
| RBAC with domains/ tenants | 6 rules (2 users, 1 role, 2 domains)        | 0.032696                    | 10.755                     |
| ABAC                       | 0 rule (0 user)                             | 0.007510                    | 2.328                      |
| RESTful                    | 5 rules (3 users)                           | 0.045398                    | 91.774                     |
| Deny-override              | 6 rules (2 users, 1 role)                   | 0.023281                    | 8.370                      |
| Priority                   | 9 rules (2 users, 2 roles)                  | 0.016389                    | 5.313                      |

The overhead of policy enforcement of Casbin CPP is benchmarked in tests/benchmarks directory with the help of Google's benchmarking tool. The testbed for these benchmarks is:

Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-6300HQ CPU @ 2.30GHz, 4 cores, 4 threads

Here is the benchmarking result of executing casbin\_benchmark target built in Release configuration (op = an enforce() call, ms = millisecond):

| Test case                     | Rule size                                   | Time overhead<br>(ms/op) |
|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| ACL                           | 2 rules (2 users)                           | 0.0195                   |
| RBAC                          | 5 rules (2 users, 1 role)                   | 0.0288                   |
| RBAC (small)                  | 1100 rules (1000 users, 100 roles)          | 0.300                    |
| RBAC (medium)                 | 11000 rules (10000 users, 1000 roles)       | 2.113                    |
| RBAC (large)                  | 110000 rules (100000 users,<br>10000 roles) | 21.450                   |
| RBAC with resource roles      | 6 rules (2 users, 2 roles)                  | 0.03                     |
| RBAC with domains/<br>tenants | 6 rules (2 users, 1 role, 2 domains)        | 0.041                    |
| ABAC                          | 0 rule (0 user)                             | NA                       |
| RESTful                       | 5 rules (3 users)                           | NA                       |
| Deny-override                 | 6 rules (2 users, 1 role)                   | 0.0246                   |
| Priority                      | 9 rules (2 users, 2 roles)                  | 0.035                    |

Lua Casbin's overhead of policy enforcement is benchmarked in bench.lua. The

testbed was a Ubuntu VM with the CPU:

AMD Ryzen(TM) 5 4600H CPU @ 3.0GHz, 6 Cores, 12 Threads

The benchmarking result of luajit bench.lua is as follows (op = an enforce())
call, ms = millisecond):

| Test case                     | Rule size                                   | Time overhead<br>(ms/op) |
|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| ACL                           | 2 rules (2 users)                           | 0.0533                   |
| RBAC                          | 5 rules (2 users, 1 role)                   | 0.0972                   |
| RBAC (small)                  | 1100 rules (1000 users, 100 roles)          | 0.8598                   |
| RBAC (medium)                 | 11000 rules (10000 users, 1000 roles)       | 8.6848                   |
| RBAC (large)                  | 110000 rules (100000 users,<br>10000 roles) | 90.3217                  |
| RBAC with resource roles      | 6 rules (2 users, 2 roles)                  | 0.1124                   |
| RBAC with domains/<br>tenants | 6 rules (2 users, 1 role, 2 domains)        | 0.1978                   |
| ABAC                          | 0 rule (0 user)                             | 0.0305                   |

| Test case     | Rule size                  | Time overhead<br>(ms/op) |
|---------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| RESTful       | 5 rules (3 users)          | 0.1085                   |
| Deny-override | 6 rules (2 users, 1 role)  | 0.1934                   |
| Priority      | 9 rules (2 users, 2 roles) | 0.1437                   |

# Performance Optimization

When applied in a production environment with millions of users or permissions, you may encounter performance downgrade in Casbin enforcement, there are usually two causes:

#### **High Volume Traffic**

The number of coming requests per second is too large, e.g., 10,000 request/s for a single Casbin instance. In such case, a single Casbin instance is usually not enough to handle all the requests. There are 2 possible solutions:

- 1. Use multi-threading to enable multiple Casbin instances, so you can fully utilize all the cores in the machine. See details at: Multi-threading.
- 2. Deploy Casbin instances to a cluster (multiple machines). Use Watcher to quarantee all Casbin instances are consistent. See details at: Watchers.

## (i) NOTE

You can use the above methods both at the same time, e.g., deploy Casbin to a 10-machine cluster. Each machine has 5 threads simultaneously to serve Casbin enforcement requests.

#### High Number of Policy Rules

Millions of policy rules may be required in a cloud or multi-tenant environment. Each enforcement call or even loading the policy rules at the initial time is very slow. Such cases can usually be mitigated in several ways:

- Your Casbin model or policy is not well-designed. A well-written model and
  policy will abstract out the duplicated logic for each user/tenant and reduce
  the number of rules to a very small level (< 100): e.g., you can share some
  default rules across all tenants and let users customize their rules later.
  Customized rules can override the default rules. If you still have question,
  please send GitHub issue to the Casbin repos.</li>
- Do sharding to let a Casbin enforcer only load a small set of policy rules, e.g., enforcer\_0 only serves for tenant\_0 to tenant\_99, enforcer\_1 only serves for tenant\_100 to tenant\_199. To load only a subset of all policy rules, see details at: Policy Subset Loading.
- 3. Grant permissions to RBAC roles instead of users directly. Casbin's RBAC is implemented by a role inheritance tree (as a cache). So given a user like Alice, Casbin only uses O(1) time to query the RBAC tree for role-user relationship and do enforcement. If your g rules don't change often, then the RBAC tree won't need to update. See details at this dicussion: https://github.com/casbin/casbin/issues/681#issuecomment-763801583

(i) NOTE

You can try the above methods all at the same time.

# Authorization of Kubernetes

K8s-authz is a Kubernetes (k8s) RBAC & ABAC authorization middleware based on Casbin. This middleware uses K8s validation admission webbook to check the policies defined by casbin, for every request of the k8s resources. These custom admission controllers perform some kind of validation on the request object that was forwarded by api server and based on a logic, sends back a response to api server that contains information on whether to allow or reject the request. These controllers are registered with Kubernetes using the ValidatingAdmissionWebhook.

The K8s API server needs to know when to send the incoming request to our admission controller. For this part, we have defined a validation webhook which would proxy the requests for any type of K8s resource/sub-resource and perform policy verification on it. The user would be allowed to perform the operations on these resources, only if the casbin enforcer authorizes it. The enforcer checks the roles of the user defined in the policies. This middleware would be deployed on the K8s cluster.

# Requirements

Before proceeding, make sure to have the following-

• A running k8s Cluster. You can either run the clusters through Docker by enabling it on the Docker Desktop or you can setup the complete K8s ecosytem locally or on your server. You can follow this detailed guide to setup the k8s cluster locally on Windows or this guide if want to setup for Linux.

- Kubectl CLI This is the guide to setup it on Windows and this guide for Linux.
- OpenSSL

# Usage

 Generate the certificates and keys for every user by using openssl and running the following script:-

```
./gen_cert.sh
```

 Build the docker image from the Dockerfile manually by running the following command and then change the build version here and at the deployment file, as per the builds.

```
docker build -t casbin/k8s_authz:0.1 .
```

- Define the casbin policies in the model.conf and policy.csv. You can refer the
  docs to get to know more about the working of these policies.
- Before deploying, you can change the ports in main.go and also in the validation webhook configuration file depending on your usage.
- Deploy the validation controller and the webhook on k8s cluster by running:-

```
kubectl apply -f deployment.yaml
```

 For a production server, we need to create a k8s secret to place the certificates for security purposes.

```
kubectl create secret generic casbin -n default \
   --from-file=key.pem=certs/casbin-key.pem \
   --from-file=cert.pem=certs/casbin-crt.pem
```

• Once, this part is done we need to change the directory of the certs in main.go and then in manifests with that of the secret.

Now the server should be running and ready to validate the requests for the operations on the k8s resources.

# Kubernetes + Casbin Plugin: K8s-Gatekeeper

## 1. Overview & Documents for Casbin K8s-Gatekeeper

Casbin K8s-GateKeeper is an Kubernetes admission webhook which integrates Casbin as the Access Control tool. By using Casbin K8s-GateKeeper, you can establish flexible rules to authorize or intercept any operation on K8s resources, WITHOUT writting any piece of code but several lines of declerative configurations of Casbin models and policies, which are part of Casbin ACL(Access Control List) language.

Casbin K8s-GateKeeper is developed and maintained by Casbin community. Repository of this project is here. https://github.com/casbin/k8s-gatekeeper

### 0.1 A simple example

For example, you don't need to write any code, but using the following lines of configuration to achieve this function: "Forbid images with some specified tags to be used in any deployments":

Model:

```
[request_definition]
r = obj

[policy_definition]
p = obj,eft

[policy_effect]
e = !some(where (p.eft == deny))

[matchers]
m = r.obj.Request.Namespace == "default" && r.obj.Request.Resource.Resource
=="deployments" && \
contain(split(accessWithWildcard(${OBJECT}.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , "*",
    "Image"),":",1) , p.obj)
```

And Policy:

```
p, "1.14.1",deny
```

These are in ordinary Casbin ACL language. Suppose you have already read chapters about them, it will be very

easy to understand.

Casbin K8s-Gatekeeper has the following advantages:

- Easy to use. Writting several lines of ACL is far better than writting lots of codes.
- It allows hot update of configurations. You don't need to shut down the whole plugin to modify configurations.
- It is fledxible. Arbitrary rules can be made on any k8s resource which can be explored with kubectl gatekeeper
- It screened the impelementation of k8s admission webhook, which is very complicated. You don't need to really know what K8s admission webhook is, or how to write code for it. What you need to do is to know the resource on which you want to put constraints, and then write Casbin ACL. Everyone knows that K8s is complex, but by using Casbin K8s-Gatekeeper your time can be saved.
- It is maintained by Casbin Community. Feel free to contact us if anything about this plugin confuses you, or if you encounter any problem when trying this.

#### 1.1 How Casbin K8s-gatekeeper works?

K8s-gatekeeper is an admission webhook for k8s, using Casbin to apply arbitrary user-defined access control rules to help prevent any operation on k8s which administrator doesn't want.

Casbin is a powerful and efficient open-source access control library. It provides support for enforcing authorization based on various access control models. For more detail about Casbin, see Overview.

Admission webhooks in K8s are HTTP callbacks that receive 'admission requests' and do something with them. In particular, K8s-gatekeeper is a special type of admission webhook: 'ValidatingAdmissionWebhook', which can decide whether to accept or reject this admission request or not. As for admission requests, they are HTTP requests describing an operation on specified resources of K8s (for example, creating/deleting a deployment). For more about admission webhooks, see K8s official doc

### 1.2 An example illustrating how it works.

For example, when somebody wants to create a deployment containing a pod running nginx (using kubectl or k8s clients), K8s will generate an admission request, which (if translated into yaml format) can be something like this.

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
   name: nginx-deployment
spec:
   selector:
    matchLabels:
       app: nginx
replicas: 1
template:
   metadata:
```

This request will go through the process of all the middleware shown in the picture, including our K8s-gatekeeper. K8s-gatekeeper can detected all the Casbin enforcers stored in K8s's etcd, which is created and maintained by user(via kubectl or go-client we provide). Each enforcer contains a Casbin model and a Casbin policy. The admission request will be processed by every enforcer, one by one, and only by passing all enforcers can a request be accepted by this K8s-gatekeeper.

(If you do not understand what is Casbin enforcer, model or policy, see this document see: Get Started)

For example, for some reason, the administrator want to forbid the apperance of image 'nginx:1.14.1' while allowing 'nginx:1.3.1', an enforcer containing the following rule and policy can be created: (We will explain how to create an enforcer, what these models and policies and how to write them in following chapters.)

model:

```
[request_definition]
r = obj

[policy_definition]
p = obj,eft

[policy_effect]
e = !some(where (p.eft == deny))

[matchers]
m = r.obj.Request.Namespace == "default" && r.obj.Request.Resource.Resource
=="deployments" && \
access(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , 0, "Image") == p.obj
```

policy:

```
p, "nginx:1.13.1",allow
p, "nginx:1.14.1",deny
```

By creating an enforcer containg model and policy above, the previous admission request will be reject by this enforcer, which means K8s won't create this deployment.

## 2 Install K8s-gatekeeper

Three methods are provided for installing K8s-gatekeeper: External webhook, Internal webhook and helm.

(i) NOTE

Note: these methods are only for user to try K8s-gatekeeper, and it is not secure. If you want to use it in productive environment, please make sure you read <u>Chapter 5</u>. Advanced setting and make modifications

accordingly when necessary before installation

#### 2.1 Internal webhook

#### 2.1.1 Step 1: Build image

Internal webhook means the webhook itself will be implmented as a service inside k8s. Creating a service as well as deployment requires a image of K8s-gatekeeper. You can should build your own image.

Run

```
docker build --target webhook -t k8s-gatekeeper .
```

Then there will be a local image called 'k8s-gatekeeper:latest'.

(i) NOTE

Note: if you are using minikube, please execute eval \$(minikube -p minikube docker-env) before running docker build\*

#### 2.1.2 Step 2: Set up services and deployments for K8s-gatekeeper

Run following commands

```
kubectl apply -f config/rbac.yaml
kubectl apply -f config/webhook_deployment.yaml
kubectl apply -f config/webhook_internal.yaml
```

Soon K8s-gatekeeper should be running, and you can use kubectl get pods to confirm that.

#### 2.1.3 Step3: Install Crd Resources for K8s-gatekeeper

Run following commands

```
kubectl apply -f config/auth.casbin.org_casbinmodels.yaml
kubectl apply -f config/auth.casbin.org_casbinpolicies.yaml
```

#### 2.2 External webhook

External webhook means K8s-gatekeeper will be running outside the K8s, and K8s will visit K8s-gatekeeper like visiting a ordinary website. K8s has mandatory requirement that admission webhook must be HTTPS. For the sake of user's experience in trying K8s-gatekeeper, we have provided you a set of certificate as well as private

key (though it is not secure). If you prefer to use your own certificate, please refer to Chapter 5. Advanced setting to make adjustments to the certificate and private key.

The certificate we provide is issued for 'webhook.domain.local', so please modify the host (like /etc/hosts), point webhook.domain.local to the ip address on which K8s-gatekeeper is running.

Then execute

```
go mod tidy
go mod vendor
go run cmd/webhook/main.go
kubectl apply -f config/auth.casbin.org_casbinmodels.yaml
kubectl apply -f config/auth.casbin.org_casbinpolicies.yaml
kubectl apply -f config/webhook_external.yaml
```

#### 2.3 Install K8s-gatekeeper via helm

#### 2.3.1 Step 1: Build image

See Chapter 2.1.1

#### 2.3.2 helm install

Run helm install k8sgatekeeper ./k8sgatekeeper

## 3. Try K8s-gatekeeper

## 3.1 Create Casbin Model and Policy

You have 2 methods to create a model and policy: via kubectl or via go-client we provide.

#### 3.1.1 Create/Update Casbin Model and Policy via kubectl

In K8s-gatekeeper, Casbin model is stored in a kind of CRD Resource called 'CasbinModel'. Its definition is located in config/auth.casbin.org\_casbinmodels.yaml

There are examples in <a href="mailto:example/allowed\_repo/model.yaml">example/allowed\_repo/model.yaml</a>. You are supposed to pay attention to the following fields:

- metadata.name: name of the model. This name MUST be same with the name of CasbinPolicy object related to this model, so that K8s-gatekeeper can pair them and create an enforcer.
- spec.enable: if this field is set to "false", this model(as well as CasbinPolicy object related to this model) will be ignored.
- spec.modelText: a string which contains the model text of a casbin model.

Casbin Policy is stored in another kind of CRD Resource called 'CasbinPolicy', whose definition can be found in config/auth.casbin.org\_casbinpolicies.yaml

There are examples in example/allowed\_repo/policy.yaml. You are supposed to pay attention to the following fields:

- metadata.name: name of the policy. This name MUST be same with the name of CasbinModel object related to this policy, so that K8s-gatekeeper can pair them and create an enforcer.
- spec.policyltem: a string which contains the policy text of a casbin model.

After creating your own CasbinModel and CasbinPolicy files, use

```
kubectl apply -f <filename>
```

to put them into effect.

Once a pair of CasbinModel and CasbinPolicy is created, within at most 5 seconds K8s-gatekeeper will be able to detect it.

#### 3.1.2 Create /Updata Casbin Model and Policy via go-client we provide

It has been taken into consideration that there may be situation that it is not convenient to use shell to execute command directly on a node of K8s cluster, for example, when you are building a automatic cloud platform for your corporation. Therefore we have developed a go-client to create maintain CasbinModel and CasbinPolicy.

The go-client library is located in pkg/client.

In client.go we provide a function to create a client.

```
func NewK8sGateKeeperClient(externalClient bool) (*K8sGateKeeperClient, error)
```

parameter externalClient means whether K8s-gatekeeper is running inside the K8s cluster or not.

In model.go we provide various functions to create/delete/modify CasbinModel. You can find out how to use there interfaces in model\_test.go.

In policy.go we provide various functions to create/delete/modify CasbiPolicy. You can find out how to use there interfaces in policy\_test.go.

### 3.1.2 Try whether K8s-gatekeeper works

Suppose you have already created exactly the model and policy in example/allowed\_repo, now try this

```
kubectl apply -f example/allowed_repo/testcase/reject_1.yaml
```

you are supposed to find that k8s will reject this request, and mentioning that this webhook was the reason why this request is rejected. However, when you tries to apply example/allowed\_repo/testcase/approve\_2.yaml, it will be accepted.

## 4. How to write Model and Policy K8s-gatekeeper

First of all, you are supposed to know the basic grammar of Casbin Models and Policies. If you haven't acknowledged it, please read Get Started first. In this chapter we will assume that you have known what are Casbin Models and Policies.

### 4.1 Request Definition of Model

When K8s-gatekeeper is authorizing a request, the input is always one object: the go object of the Admission Request. Which means the enforcer will always be used like this

```
ok, err := enforcer.Enforce(admission)
```

in which admission is an AdmissionReview object defined by K8s's official go api "k8s.io/api/admission/v1". You can see the definition of this struct is this repository https://github.com/kubernetes/api/blob/master/admission/v1/types.go. Or see https://kubernetes.io/docs/reference/access-authn-authz/extensible-admission-controllers/#webhook-request-and-response for more information

Therefore for any model used by K8s-gatekeeper, the definition of request\_definition should always be like this

```
[request_definition]
r = obj
```

Name 'obj' is not mandatory, as long as the name is consistent with the name used in [matchers] part.

#### 4.2 Matchers of Model

You are supposed to use the ABAC feature of Casbin to write down your rule. However, the expression evaluator integrated in Casbin supports neither indexing in maps or arrays(slices), nor the expansion of array. Therefore K8s-gatekeeper provide various 'Casbin functions' as extension to impelement these features. If you still find that your demand cannot be fulfilled by these extensions, it is welcomed to start a issue, or pr directly.

If you don't know what is casbin funtion, see Function for more information.

Here are the extension functions

#### 4.2.1 Externsion functions

#### 4.2.1.1 access

Access is used to solve the problem that Casbin doesn't support indexing in map or array. example/allowed\_repo/model.yaml is the example of this function

```
[matchers]
m = r.obj.Request.Namespace == "default" && r.obj.Request.Resource.Resource
=="deployments" && \
access(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , 0, "Image") == p.obj
```

In this matcher, access(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers, 0, "Image") is equal to r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers[0].Image, in which r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers is obviously a slice.

Access is also able to call simple funtion which has not parameters and one single return value. example/container\_resource\_limit/model.yaml is an example.

```
[matchers]
  m = r.obj.Request.Namespace == "default" && r.obj.Request.Resource.Resource
=="deployments" && \
    parseFloat(access(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , 0,
    "Resources", "Limits", "cpu", "Value")) >= parseFloat(p.cpu) && \
    parseFloat(access(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , 0,
    "Resources", "Limits", "memory", "Value")) >= parseFloat(p.memory)
```

```
In this matcher, access(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , 0,
    "Resources", "Limits", "cpu", "Value") is equal to
    r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers[0].Resources.Limits["cpu"].Value()),
    where r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers[0].Resources.Limits is a map,
    and Value() is a simple funtion which has not parameters and one single return value.
```

#### 4.2.1.2 accessWithWildcard

Sometimes it is natural to have demand like this: all elements in an array must have prefix "aaa". However, Casbin doesn't support for loop. However with accessWithWildcard and the "map/slice expansion" feature, such demand can be easily implemented.

For example, suppose a.b.c is an array [aaa,bbb,ccc,ddd,eee], then result of accessWithWildcard(a,"b","c","\*") will be a slice [aaa,bbb,ccc,ddd,eee]. See? with wildcard \* this slice is expanded.

Similarly, wildcard can be used more than once. For example, result of

```
accessWithWildcard(a, "b", "c", "*", "*") will be [a.b.c[0][0], a.b.c[0][1]... a.b.c[1][0], a.b.c[1][1]...]
```

### 4.2.1.3 Functions Supporting Variable-length Argument

In the expression evaluator of Casbin, when a parameter is an array, it will be automatically expanded as the variable-length argument. Utilizing this feature to support the array/slice/map expansion, we also integrated serveral functions accepting an array/slice as parameter.

- contain(), accept multiple parameters, and returns whether there is an parameter other than the last parameter equals the last parameter
- split(a,b,c...,sep,index) it returns a slice which contains [splits(a, sep)[index], splits(b, sep)[index], splits(a, sep)[index]...]
- len() return the length of the variable-length argument
- matchRegex(a,b,c...regex) return whether a,b,c... all of them matches the given regex

Here is an example in example/disallowed\_tag/model.yaml

```
[matchers]
    m = r.obj.Request.Namespace == "default" && r.obj.Request.Resource.Resource
=="deployments" && \

contain(split(accessWithWildcard(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers
, "*", "Image"),":",1) , p.obj)
```

Assume accessWithWildcard(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , "\*", "Image") returns ["a:b", "c:d", "e:f", "g:h"] then because splits supports variable-length argument, and splits operation is applied on each element, and eventually element whose index is 1 will be selected and return, so split(accessWithWildcard(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , "\*", "Image"), ":", 1) returns ["b", "d", "f", "h"]. And contain(split(accessWithWildcard(r.obj.Request.Object.Object.Spec.Template.Spec.Containers , "\*", "Image"), ":", 1) , p.obj) returns whether p.obj is contained in ["b", "d", "f", "h"]

#### 4.2.1.2 Type conversion functions

- ParseFloat(): parse an integer to a float. (It is because that any number in comparsion must be converted into float).
- ToString(): convert an object to string. This object must have a basic type of string. (for example, an object of type XXX when there is a statement type XXX string)
- IsNil(): return whether the parameter is nil

### 5. Advanced Settings

#### 5.1 About Certificates

In k8s, it is mandatory that a webhook should use HTTPS. There are two approaches to achieve that:

- Use self-signed certificates(examples in this repo use this method)
- · Use a normal certificate

#### 5.1.1 Self-signed certificates

Using a self-signed certificate means that the CA issuing the certificate is not one of the well-known CAs, therefore you must let k8s know this CA.

Current the example in this repo uses a self-made CA, whose private key and certificate is stored in <a href="config/certificate/ca.key">certificate/ca.crt</a> and <a href="config/certificate/ca.key">certificate/ca.key</a>. Certificate for the webhook is <a href="config/certificate/server.crt">config/certificate/ca.key</a>. Certificate for the webhook is <a href="config/certificate/server.crt">config/certificate/ca.key</a>. Server.crt, issued by the self-made CA. The domains of this certificate is "webhook.domain.local" (for external webhook) and "casbin-webhook-svc.default.svc" (for internal webhook)

Information about CA is passed to k8s via webhook configuration files. Both config/webhook\_external.yaml and config/webhook\_internal.yaml have a field called "CABundle", whose content is base64 encoded string of the certificate of the CA.

In case that you need to change the certificate/domain (for example, maybe you want to put this webhook into another namespace of k8s while using internal webhook; or maybe you want to change a domain while using external webhook), the following procedures should be taken:

1. Generate a new CA

Generate the private key for the fake CA

```
openssl genrsa -des3 -out ca.key 2048
```

Remove the password protection of the private key.

```
openssl rsa -in ca.key -out ca.key
```

2. Generate a private key for webhook server

```
openssl genrsa -des3 -out server.key 2048
openssl rsa -in server.key -out server.key
```

3. Use the self-generate CA to sign the certificate for webhook

Copy your system's openssl config file for temporary use. You can use openssl version -a to find out the location of the config file, ususally called openssl.cnf.

Find the [req] paragraph and add the following line: req\_extensions = v3\_req

Find the [v3\_req] paragraph and add the following line: subjectAltName = @alt\_names

Append following lines to the file:

```
[alt_names]
DNS.2=<The domain you want>
```

The 'casbin-webhook-svc.default.svc' should be replaced with the real service name of your own service (if you decide to modify the service name)

Use the modified config file to generate a certificate request file

```
openssl req -new -nodes -keyout server.key -out server.csr -config openssl.cnf
```

Use the self-made CA to respond the request and sign the certificate

```
openssl x509 -req -days 3650 -in server.csr -out server.crt -CA ca.crt -CAkey ca.key -CAcreateserial -extensions v3_req -extensions SAN -extfile openssl.cnf
```

3. Replace the 'CABundle' field

Both config/webhook\_external.yaml and config/webhook\_internal.yaml have a field called "CABundle", whose content is base64 encoded string of the certificate of the CA.

4. If you are using helm, similar changes need to be applied to helm charts.

#### 5.1.2 Legal certificates

If you uses legal certificates, you just don't need all these procedures. Remove "CABundle" field in config/webhook\_external.yaml and config/webhook\_internal.yaml, and change the domain in these files to the domain you own.

# Authorization of Service Mesh through Envoy

Envoy-authz is a middleware of Envoy which performs external RBAC & ABAC authorization through casbin. This middleware uses Envoy's external authorization API through a gRPC server. This proxy would be deployed on any type of envoybased service meshes like Istio.

## Requirements

- Envoy 1.17+
- Istio or any type of service mesh
- grpc dependencies

Dependencies are managed through go.mod.

## Working of Middleware

- A client would make a http request.
- Envoy proxy would send that request to grpc server.
- The grpc server would then authorize the request based on casbin policies.
- If authorized, the request would be sent through or else, it gets denied.

The grpc server is based on protocol buffer from external\_auth.proto from Envoy.

```
// A generic interface for performing authorization check on
incoming
// requests to a networked service.
service Authorization {
   // Performs authorization check based on the attributes
associated with the
   // incoming request, and returns status `OK` or not `OK`.
   rpc Check(v2.CheckRequest) returns (v2.CheckResponse);
}
```

From the above proto file, we have to use Check() service in the authorization server.

## Usage

• Define the Casbin policies under config files by following this guide.

You can verify/test your policies on online casbin-editor.

• Start the authorizing server by running:-

```
$ go build .
$ ./authz
```

• Load the envoy configuration:-

```
$ envoy -c authz.yaml -l info
```

Once the envoy starts, it will start intercepting requests for the authorization process.

## Integrating to Istio

You need to send custom headers, which would contain usernames in the JWT token OF headers for this middleware to work. You can check the official Istio docs to get more info on modifying Request Headers.



# Management



Admin portal for Casbin



Using Casbin as a service

Log & Error Handling

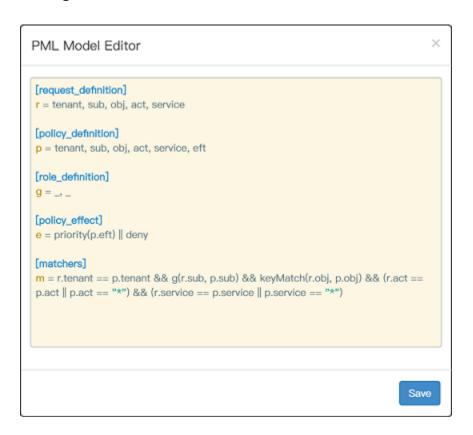
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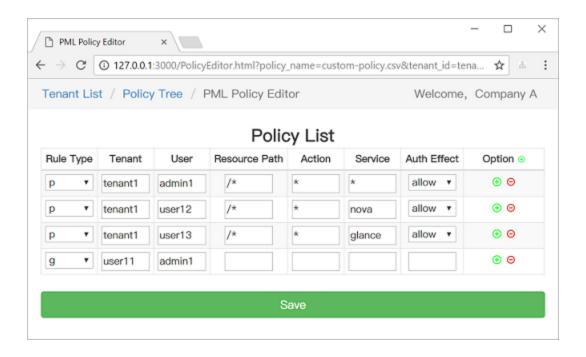
Frontend Usage

Casbin.js is a Casbin addon that facilites your access-control management in the frontend application

# **Admin Portal**

We provide a web-based portal called Casdoor for model management and policy management:





There are also 3rd-party admin portal projects that use Casbin as authorization engine. You can get started to build your own Casbin service based on these projects.

| Go | Java | Node.js | Python | PHP |
|----|------|---------|--------|-----|
|----|------|---------|--------|-----|

| Project                        | Author             | Frontend                 | Backend | Description                                 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------|---|
| Casdoor                        | Casbin             | React +<br>Ant<br>Design | Beego   | Based on Beego +<br>XORM + React            |
| go-admin-<br>team/go-<br>admin | @go-admin-<br>team | Vue +<br>Element<br>UI   | Gin     | go-admin Based on<br>Gin + Casbin +<br>GORM |
| gin-vue-                       | @piexlmax          | Vue +                    | Gin     | Based on Gin +                              |

| Project                              | Author      | Frontend                 | Backend     | Description   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|---|
| admin                                |             | Element                  |             | GORM + Vue  |
| gin-admin                            | @LyricTian  | React +<br>Ant<br>Design | Gin         | RBAC scaffolding<br>based on Gin +<br>GORM + Casbin +<br>Ant Design React |
| go-admin                             | @hequan2017 | None                     | Gin         | Go RESTful API<br>gateway based on<br>Gin + GORM + JWT +<br>RBAC (Casbin) |
| zeus-admin                           | bullteam    | Vue +<br>Element<br>UI   | Gin         | Unified Permission<br>management<br>platform based on<br>JWT + Casbin     |
| IrisAdminApi                         | @snowlyg    | Vue +<br>Element<br>UI   | Iris        | Backend API based<br>on Iris + Casbin                                     |
| Gfast                                | @tiger1103  | Vue +<br>Element<br>UI   | Go<br>Frame | Admin portal based on GF (Go Frame)                                       |
| echo-admin<br>(Frontend,<br>Backend) | @RealLiuSha | Vue 2.x<br>+<br>Element  | Echo        | Admin portal based<br>on Echo + Gorm +<br>Casbin + Uber-FX                |

| Projec   | Project Author              |                | Fro   | ntend | Вас                      | ken  | d           | Description  |   |
|--|-----------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|--------------------------|------|-------------|--|---|
|  |                             |                |       | UI    |                          |      |             |  |   |
| Spec-<br>Center                                    | @atul-<br>Wankhade None Mux |                | Mux   |       | Mux                      |      | р           | Golang RESTful<br>latform based on<br>Casbin + MongoDB |   |
| Project  | ,                           | Author         | Front | end   | Bacl                     | kend |             |  | Description   |
| spring-<br>boot-<br>web                            | @B                          | azookaW        | None  |       | SpringBoot SpringBoot 2  |      | Boot Spring |  | n portal based on<br>gBoot 2.0 +<br>tisPlus + Casbin  |
| Projec   | t                           | t Author       |       |       | Frontend Backend         |      | kend        | Description  |   |
| node-<br>mysql-re<br>api                           | st-                         | @JoemaNequinto |       | 0     | None                     | E    | Expr        | ess  | A boilerplate application for building RESTful APIs Microservice in Node.js using Express, Sequelize, JWT and Casbin. |
| Casbin-<br>Role-Mg <sup>1</sup><br>Dashboa<br>RBAC |                             | @alikhan       | 866   |       | React +<br>Materia<br>UI | E    | Expr        | ess  | Beginner friendly RBAC management with Enforcer integration to check  |

| Project                                   |                  | Author      | Frontend  | Backend   | Description  |
|---|------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|--|
|   |                  |             |           |           | enforcement result on the go                                     |
| Project                                   |                  | Author      | Frontend  | Backend   | Description  |
| fastapi-<br>mysql-<br>generator           | @CoderCharm      |             | None      | FastAPI   | FastAPI +<br>MySQL + JWT<br>+ Casbin                             |
| FastAPI-<br>MySQL-<br>Tortoise-<br>Casbin | @xingxingzaixian |             | None      | FastAPI   | FastAPI + MySQL + Tortoise + Casbin                              |
| openstack-<br>policy-editor               | Casbin           |             | Bootstrap | Django    | The Web UI for<br>Casbin   |
| Project                                   |                  | Author      | Frontenc  | l Backen  | d Description  |
| Tadmin                                    |                  | @leeqvip    | AmazeU    | l ThinkPH | Non-intrusive<br>backend<br>IP framework<br>based on<br>ThinkPHP |
| video.tinywan.com                         |                  | @Tinywanner | LayUI     | ThinkPH   | RESTful API gateway based on ThinkPHP5 +                         |

| Project                               | Author      | Frontend                 | Backend   | Description  |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-----------|--|
|                                       |             |                          |           | ORM + JWT +<br>RBAC (Casbin)   |
| laravel-casbin-<br>admin              | @pl1998     | Vue +<br>Element<br>UI   | Laravel   | RBAC permission management system based on vue- element- admin and Laravel |
| larke-admin<br>(Frontend,<br>Backend) | @deatil     | Vue 2 +<br>Element<br>UI | Laravel 8 | Admin portal<br>based on<br>Laravel 8,<br>JWT and<br>RBAC                  |
| hyperf-vuetify-<br>admin              | @TragicMale | Vue +<br>Vuetify<br>2.x  | Hyperf    | Admin portal<br>based on<br>Hyperf,<br>Vuetify and<br>Casbin               |

# **Casbin Service**

### How to use Casbin as a service?

| Name               | Description   |
|--------------------|---|
| Casbin<br>Server   | The official Casbin as a Service solution based on gRPC, both Management API and RBAC API are provided. |
| middleware-<br>acl | RESTful access control middleware based on Casbin.  |
| Buttress           | The Access Control as a Service solution based on Casbin.   |
| auth-server        | Auth Server for proofreading services.  |



# Log & Error Handling

## Logging

Casbin uses the built-in log to print logs to console by default like:

```
2017/07/15 19:43:56 [Request: alice, data1, read ---> true]
```

The logging is not enabled by default. You can toggle it via Enforcer.EnableLog() or the last parameter of NewEnforcer().

#### (i) NOTE

We already support logging the model, enforce request, role, policy in Golang. You can define your own log for logging Casbin. If you are using Python, pycasbin leverages the default Python logging mechanism. The pycasbin package makes a call to logging.getLogger() to set the logger. No special logging configuration is needed other than initializing the logger in the parent application. If no logging is intitilized within the parent application you will not see any log messages from pycasbin.

### Use different logger for different enforcer

Every enforcer could have its own logger to log info, and it could be changed at run-time.

And you could use a proper logger via the last paramter of NewEnforcer(), if you using this way to initialize your enforcer, you needn't use the enabled parameter,

cause the priority of the enabled field in logger is higher.

```
// Set a default logger as enforcer e1's logger.
// This operation could also be seen as changing the logger of
e1 at run-time.
e1.SetLogger(&Log.DefaultLogger{})

// Set another logger as enforcer e2's logger.
e2.SetLogger(&YouOwnLogger)

// Set your logger when initialize enforcer e3.
e3, _ := casbin.NewEnforcer("examples/rbac_model.conf", a,
logger)
```

#### Supported loggers

We provide some loggers to help you log information.

Go PHP

| Logger                           | Author | Description  |
|----------------------------------|--------|--|
| Defatule<br>logger<br>(built-in) | Casbin | The default logger using golang log.   |
| Zap logger                       | Casbin | Using zap, provide json encoded log and you could customize more with your own zap-logger. |

| Logger             | Author | Description                        |
|--------------------|--------|------------------------------------|
| psr3-bridge logger | Casbin | Provides a PSR-3 compliant bridge. |

#### How to write a logger

Your logger should implement the Logger interface.

| Method       | Туре      | Description                               |
|--------------|-----------|---|
| EnableLog()  | mandatory | Control whether print the message.        |
| IsEnabled()  | mandatory | Show the current logger's enabled status. |
| LogModel()   | mandatory | Log info related to model.                |
| LogEnforce() | mandatory | Log info related to enforce.              |
| LogRole()    | mandatory | Log info related to role.                 |
| LogPolicy()  | mandatory | Log info related to policy.               |

You can pass your custom logger to Enforcer.SetLogger().

Here is an example about how to customize a logger for Golang:

```
import (
    "fmt"
    "log"
    "strings"
```

## **Error handling**

Error or panic may happen when you use Casbin for reasons like:

- 1. Invalid syntax in model file (.conf).
- 2. Invalid syntax in policy file (.csv).
- 3. Custom error from storage adapters, e.g., MySQL fails to connect.
- 4. Casbin's bug.

There are five main functions you may need to care about for error or panic:

| Function      | Behavior on error |
|---------------|-------------------|
| NewEnforcer() | Return error      |
| LoadModel()   | Return error      |
| LoadPolicy()  | Return error      |
| SavePolicy()  | Return error      |
| Enforce()     | Return error      |

```
Note
NewEnforcer() calls LoadModel() and LoadPolicy() inside. So you
don't have to call the latter two calls when using NewEnforcer().
```

### **Enable & disable**

The enforcer can be disabled via the <code>Enforcer.EnableEnforce()</code> function. When it's disabled, <code>Enforcer.Enforce()</code> will always return <code>true</code>. Other operations like adding or removing policy is not affected. Here's an example:

```
e := casbin.NewEnforcer("examples/basic_model.conf", "examples/
basic_policy.csv")

// Will return false.
// By default, the enforcer is enabled.
e.Enforce("non-authorized-user", "data1", "read")

// Disable the enforcer at run-time.
e.EnableEnforce(false)

// Will return true for any request.
e.Enforce("non-authorized-user", "data1", "read")

// Enable the enforcer again.
e.EnableEnforce(true)

// Will return false.
e.Enforce("non-authorized-user", "data1", "read")
```

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# Frontend Usage

Casbin.js is a Casbin addon that facilites your access-control management in the frontend application.

## Installation

```
npm install casbin.js
npm install casbin
```

or

yarn add casbin.js

### **Frontend Middlewares**

| Middleware      | Type  | Author   | Description   |
|-----------------|-------|----------|---|
| react-<br>authz | React | Casbin   | React wrapper for Casbin.js                                       |
| rbac-react      | React | @daobeng | Role Based Access Control in React using HOCs, CASL and Casbin.js |

| Middleware        | Type    | Author | Description                   |
|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------------------|
| vue-authz         | Vue     | Casbin | Vue wrapper for Casbin.js     |
| angular-<br>authz | Angular | Casbin | Angular wrapper for Casbin.js |

### **Quick Start**

You can use manual mode in your frontend application, and set the permission whenever you wish.

```
const casbinjs = require("casbin.js");
// Set the user's permission:
// He/She can read `data1` and `data2` objects and can write
`data1` object
const permission = {
    "read": ["data1", "data2"],
    "write": ["data1"]
}

// Run casbin.js in manual mode, which requires you to set the
permission manually.
const authorizer = new casbinjs.Authorizer("manual");
```

now we got an authorizer authorizer. We can get permission rules from it by using the API authorizer.can() and authorizer.cannot(). The return values of these 2 APIs are JavaScript Promises (details here), so we should use the then() method of the return value like this:

```
result = authorizer.can("write", "data1");
result.then((success, failed) => {
    if (success) {
        console.log("you can write data1");
    } else {
        console.log("you cannot write data1");
    }
});
// output: you can write data1
```

and cannot() is used in the same way:

```
result = authorizer.cannot("read", "data2");
result.then((success, failed) => {
    if (success) {
        console.log("you cannot read data2");
    } else {
        console.log("you can read data2");
    }
});
// output: you can read data2
```

in the code above, variable success in parameters means the request get the result without throwing an error, and doesn't mean that the permission rule is true. failed is also unrelated to the permission rules. It only makes sense when something goes wrong in the process of the request.

You can refer to our React example to see a practical usage of Casbin.js

## Advanced Usage

Casbin.js provides a perfect solution to integrating your frontend access-control

management with your backend Casbin service.

Use auto mode and specify your endpoint when initializing the Casbin.js Authorizer, it will automatically sync the permission and manipulate the frontend status.

```
const casbinjs = require('casbin.js');
// Set your backend casbin service url
const authorizer = new casbinjs.Authorizer(
    'auto', // mode
    {endpoint: 'http://your_endpoint/api/casbin'}
);
// Set your visitor.
// Casbin.js will automatically sync the permission with your
backend Casbin service.
authorizer.setUser("Tom");
// Evaluate the permission
result = authorizer.can("read", "data1");
result.then((success, failed) => {
    if (success) {
       // Some frontend procedure ...
   }
});
```

Correspondingly, you need to expose an interface (e.g. a RestAPI) to generate the permission object and pass it to the frontend. In your API controller, call <a href="CasbinJsGetUserPermission">CasbinJsGetUserPermission</a> to construct the permission object. Here is an example in Beego:

```
(i) NOTE
```

Your endpoint server should return something like

```
{
    "other":"other",
    "data": "What you get from
    CasbinJsGetPermissionForUser`"
}
```

#### (i) NOTE

Currently, CasbinJsGetPermissionForUser api is only supported in Go Casbin and Node-Casbin. If you want this api to be supported in other languages, please <u>raise an issue</u> or leave a comment below.

### **API List**

```
setPermission(permission: string)
Set the permission object. Always used in manual mode.
setUser(user: string)
Set the visitor identity and update the permission. Always used in auto mode.
can(action: string, object: string)
Check if the user can perform action on object.
cannot(action: string, object: string)
Check if the user cannot perform action on object.
canAll(action: string, objects: Array<object>)
Check if the user can perform action on all object in objects.
canAny(action: string, objects: Array<object>)
Check if the user can perform action on any one of the objects.
```

## Why Casbin.js

People may wonder the difference between Node-Casbin and Casbin.js. In a word, Node-Casbin is the core of Casbin implemented in NodeJS environment, and it's normally used as an access-controlling management toolkit at the server ends.

Casbin.js is an frontend library that help you use Casbin to authorize your webpage user at the client side.

Normally, it is not proper to directly build up a Casbin service and do the authorization/enforcement tasks at a web frontend application due to the following problems:

- 1. When someone turn on the client, the enforcer will be initialized, and it will pull all the policies from the backend persistent layers. A high concurrency could bring tough pressure on the databases and cost a lot of network throughput.
- 2. Loading all policies to the client sides could bring secure risks.
- 3. Difficult for the seperation between client and server as well as the agile development.

We wish a tool that eases the process of using Casbin at the frontend. Actually, the core of Casbin.js is the manipulation of current user's permission at the client side. As you mentioned, Casbin.js does a fetch from a specified endpoint. This procedure will sync the permission of the user with the backend Casbin service. After having the permission data, developers can use Casbin.js interfaces to manage the behaviors of the user at the frontend side.

Casbin.js avoid the two problems that mentioned above: Casbin service will no longer be pulled up repeatedly, and the size of passing messages between the client and the server are reduced. We also avoid to store all the policies at the frontend. User can only accessible to his own permission, but have no idea about anything about things like the access-control model and other users' permissions. Besides, Casbin.js can also efficiently decouple the client and the server in authorization management.



# **Editor**



Writing Casbin model and policy in web browser

IDE Plugins

IDE plugins for Casbin

## **Online Editor**

You can also use the online editor to write your Casbin model and policy in your web browser. It provides functionality such as syntax highlighting and code completion, just like an IDE for a programming language.

### **Use Pattern**

If you use RBAC with pattern or RBAC with all pattern, it specifies the pattern matching function in the lower left corner.

```
Request

matchingDomainForGFinction:
    'keyMatch'

13 */
14 matchingForGFunction:
    'keyMatch2',

15
    matchingDomainForGFunction:
    'keyMatch2'

16 };

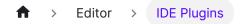
17 })();
```

If you want to write the equivalent code, you need to specify the pattern matching function through the relevant api. See RBAC with Pattern

(i) NOTE

The editor is based on <u>node-casbin</u>. Due to the synchronization delay

between different language of casbin, the authentication result of the editor may be different from the authentication result of the casbin you are using. If so, please submit issues to the casbin repository you are using.



# **IDE Plugins**

We have plugins for these IDEs:

### **JetBrains**

- Download: https://plugins.jetbrains.com/plugin/14809-casbin
- Source code: https://github.com/will7200/casbin-idea-plugin

## VSCode (WIP)

• Source code: https://github.com/casbin/casbin-vscode-plugin







# More



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# **Our Adopters**

## Direct integration

Go Java Node.js Python

| Name               | Description   | Model | Policy       |
|--------------------|---|-------|--------------|
| VMware<br>Harbor   | VMware's open source trusted cloud native registry project that stores, signs, and scans content. | Code  | Beego<br>ORM |
| Intel RMD          | Intel's resource management daemon.   | .conf | .csv         |
| VMware<br>Dispatch | A framework for deploying and managing serverless style applications.                             | Code  | Code         |
| Skydive            | An open source real-time network topology and protocols analyzer.                                 | Code  | .CSV         |
| Zenpress           | A CMS system written in Golang.   | .conf | Gorm         |
| Argo CD            | GitOps continuous delivery for Kubernetes.  | .conf | .csv         |
| Muxi Cloud         | PaaS of Muxi Cloud, an easier way to manage Kubernetes cluster.                                   | .conf | Code         |

| Name   | 9  | Description   |      |      | el     | Policy        |
|--|--|---|------|------|--------|---------------|
| EngineerCMS A CMS to manage knowledge for engineers. |  |   | .con | f    | SQLite |               |
| Cyber Au<br>API                                      | Cyber Auth API  A Golang authentication API project.     |   |      | .con | f      | .CSV          |
| IRIS<br>Commun                                       | IRIS Community  Website for IRIS Community Activities.   |   | .con | f    | .CSV   |               |
| Metadata   | Metadata DB BB archive metadata database.                |   | .con | f    | .CSV   |               |
| Qilin API  |  | ProtocolONE's licenses managemen tool for game content. |      | Cod  | е      | .CSV          |
| Devtron l  | Devtron Labs  Software Delivery Workflow For Kubernetes. |   | .con |      | Xorm   |               |
| Name   |  | Description Mod   |      |      | Po     | olicy         |
| lighty.io  | Ope  | nDaylight's solution for SDN controller.                |      |      | N,     | /A            |
| Name   |  | Description   |      |      | l      | Policy        |
| Notadd   |  | micro-service development architecture ased on Nest.js. |      |      |        | DB<br>adapter |

| Name   | Description                 | Model  | Policy |
|--------|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| dtrace | EduScaled's tracing system. | Commit | N/A    |

# Integration via plugin

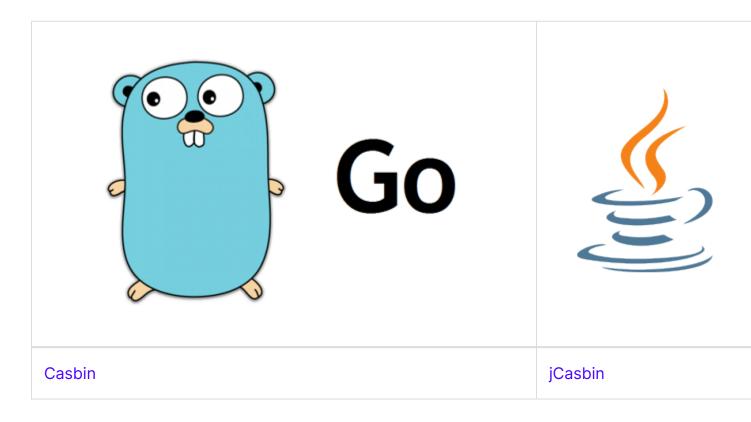
| Name   | Description                                     | Plugin  | Model | Policy  |
|--------|---|---|-------|---------|
| Docker | The world's leading software container platform | casbin-authz-plugin<br>(recommended by<br>Docker) | .conf | .csv    |
| Gobis  | Orange's lightweight API Gateway written in go  | casbin  | Code  | Request |

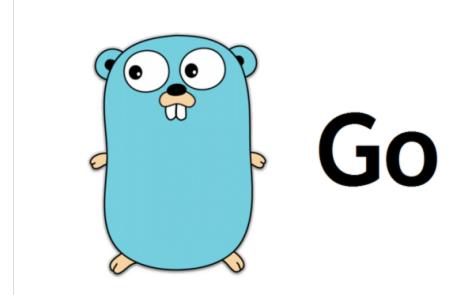
# Contributing

Casbin is a powerful authorization library supports access control models with many languages implementations, so long as you are good at one language, you can participate in the development of Casbin. New contributors are always welcomed.

Currently, there are mainly two types of projects.

 Algorithms oriented—First kind of projects are algorithms related projects for different language implementations, include most of the mainstream programming languages ranging from Golang, Java, C++ to Elixir, Dart and Rust, and their peripheral products.







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Application oriented——Second kind of projects are application related projects.

| Project          | Demo             | Details   | Skill stacks                                  |
|------------------|------------------|---|---|
| Casdoor          | Casdoor          | Casdoor is UI-first centralized<br>authentication / Single-Sign-On<br>(SSO) platform based on OAuth 2.0<br>/ OIDC | JavaScript + React and Golang + Beego + SQL   |
| Casnode          | Casbin<br>Forum  | Casnode is next generation forum software   | JavaScript + React and Golang + Beego + SQL   |
| Casbin<br>OA     | OA<br>system     | Casbin-OA is An official manuscript processing, evaluation and display system for Casbin technical writers        | JavaScript + React and Golang + Beego + MySQL |
| Casbin<br>Editor | Casbin<br>Editor | Casbin-editor is a web-based Casbin model and policy editor   | TypeScript +<br>React                         |

## Get involved

There are many ways to contribute to Casbin, here are some ideas to get started:

• Use Casbin and report issues! When using Casbin, report issues to promote development of Casbin, no matter bugs or proposal. Before file an issue on

GitHub, it would be better to discuss first on Discord or GitHub Discussions

Note: When reporting an issue, please use English to describe the details of you problem.

- Help with docs! Contributing start from docs are a good choice to start your contribution.
- Help solve issues! We prepare a table containing easy tasks suitable for beginner, with different level of challenges labeled with different tags, check the table here.

## **Pull Requests**

Casbin uses GitHub as its developing platform. So the pull requests are the main source of contributions.

There are something you need to know before you open a pull request:

- Explain why you send this PR and what this PR would do to the repo.
- Make sure the PR does only one thing, otherwise please split it.
- If there are newly added files, please include Casbin license to the top of new file(s).

```
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License.
```

- In Casdoor, Casnode and Casbin OA, your might need to setup demo to show the maintainer your pull request help the development of project.
- When you open PR and commit your contribution, it would be better to use
  the semantic commits, format: <type>(<scope>): <subject>, <scope> is
  optional. For more detailed usage, please see conventional commit

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