

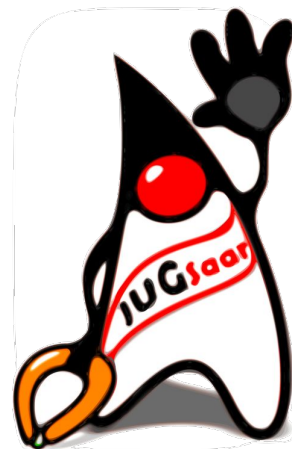


Open Source Identity & Access Management with Keycloak

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The Journey



Keycloak



Single Sign-on



Securing Applications



Keycloak in the Field



Open Source Identity and Access Management

For Modern Applications and Services

[Get Started with Keycloak](#)

Add authentication to applications and secure services with minimum fuss. No need to deal with storing users or authenticating users. It's all available out of the box.

You'll even get advanced features such as User Federation, Identity Brokering and Social Login.

For more details go to [about](#) and [documentation](#), and don't forget to [try Keycloak](#). It's easy by design!

NEWS

<https://www.keycloak.org>**19 Jan**

Keycloak 12.0.2 released

18 Dec

Keycloak 12.0.1 released

16 Dec

Introducing Keycloak.X Distribution

**Single-Sign On**

Login once to multiple applications

**Standard Protocols**

OpenID Connect, OAuth 2.0 and SAML 2.0

**Centralized Management**

For admins and users

**Adapters**

Secure applications and services easily

**LDAP and Active Directory**

Connect to existing user directories

**Social Login**

Easily enable social login

**Identity Brokering**

OpenID Connect or SAML 2.0 IdPs

**High Performance**

Lightweight, fast and scalable

**Clustering**

For scalability and availability

**Themes**

Customize look and feel

**Extensible**

Customize through code

**Password Policies**

Customize password policies

Project



- Java based **Authentication & Authorization** Server
- Started in 2013, broad adoption since 2015
- Apache License, **Red Hat** Developers
- **Keycloak Community** Free Version (current 13.0.0)
- **Red Hat SSO** Commercial Offering
- Vital **Community** with **470+** Contributors **3.3k+** Forks
- Very **robust**, good **documentation**, many **examples**

Authentication & Authorization

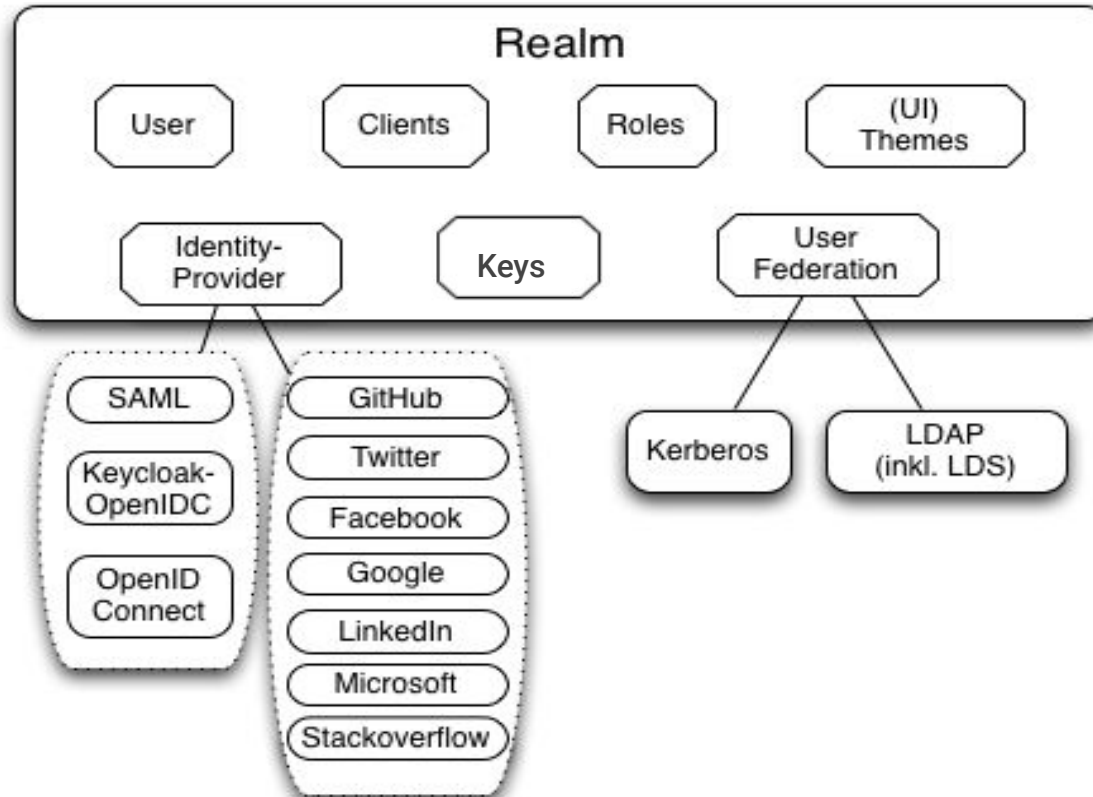
- Authentication (AuthN)
 - Determines ***who** the user **is***
 - Internal & Federated User Storage Kerberos, LDAP, Custom
 - Customizable
- Authorization (AuthZ)
 - Determines ***what** the user **is allowed** to do*
 - Hierarchical Role-based Access Control (HRBAC)
 - Authorization Services
 - Flexible [Access Control Management](#)
 - More Variants like ABAC, UBAC, CBAC supported

Features



- **Single Sign-on** and Single Sign-out
- **Standard Protocols** OAuth 2.0, OIDC 1.0, SAML 2.0
- Flexible **Authentication** and **Authorization**
- **Multi-Factor Authentication** One-time Passwords
- **Social Login** Google, Facebook, Twitter,..., Azure, ADFS, Auth0
- Provides centralized **User Management**
- Supports **Directory Services**
- **Customizable** and **Extensible**
- **Easy** Setup and Integration

Main Concepts





Keycloak Quick Tour

Admin Console

Admin Console



KEYCLOAK

Admin ▾

Acme ▾

Configure

Realm Settings

Clients

Client Scopes

Roles

Identity Providers

User Federation

Authentication

Manage

Groups

Users

Sessions

Events

Import

Export

Acme

General Login Keys Email Themes Cache Tokens Client Registration Security Defenses

* Name

acme

Display name

Acme Inc.

HTML Display name

Acme Inc.

Enabled ?

ON

User-Managed Access ?

OFF

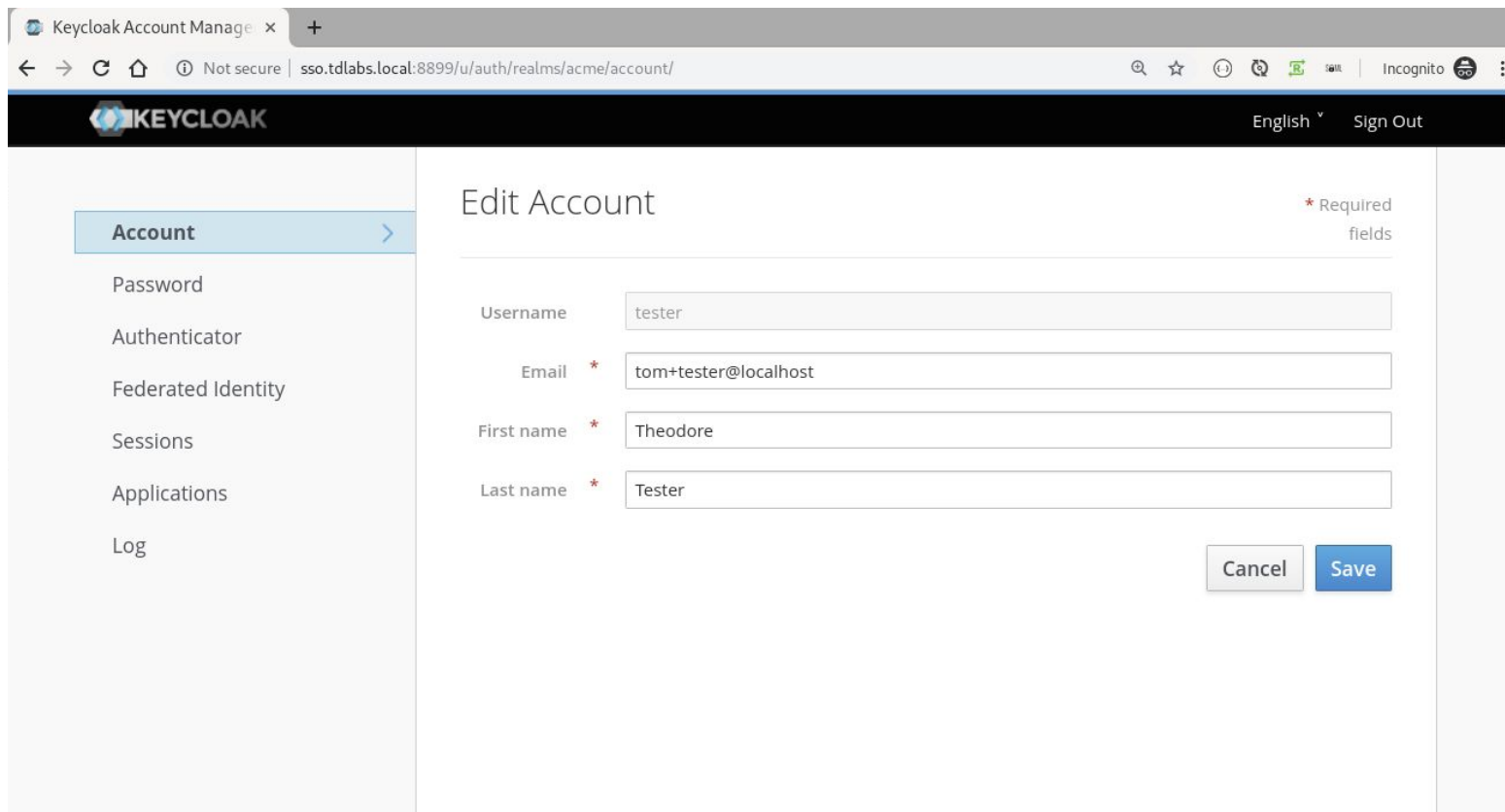
Endpoints ?

OpenID Endpoint Configuration

SAML 2.0 Identity Provider Metadata

Save Cancel


Self-Service Account Management



The screenshot displays the Keycloak Account Management interface in a web browser. The browser's address bar shows the URL `sso.tdlabs.local:8899/u/auth/realms/acme/account/`. The page features a dark header with the Keycloak logo, the language set to 'English', and a 'Sign Out' link. A left-hand navigation menu includes links for 'Account' (which is highlighted), 'Password', 'Authenticator', 'Federated Identity', 'Sessions', 'Applications', and 'Log'. The main content area is titled 'Edit Account' and includes a legend indicating that fields marked with a red asterisk (*) are required. The form contains four input fields: 'Username' with the value 'tester', 'Email' with the value 'tom+tester@localhost', 'First name' with the value 'Theodore', and 'Last name' with the value 'Tester'. At the bottom right of the form are 'Cancel' and 'Save' buttons.

Keycloak Account Manage x +

← → ↻ ⌂ ⓘ Not secure | sso.tdlabs.local:8899/u/auth/realms/acme/account/ 🔍 ☆ ⓘ ⌂ 📄 📄 Incognito

 KEYCLOAK English Sign Out

Account >

- Password
- Authenticator
- Federated Identity
- Sessions
- Applications
- Log

Edit Account

* Required fields

Username

Email *

First name *

Last name *

Cancel Save

Keycloak Technology Stack

Admin Console

- Angular JS
- PatternFly
- Bootstrap

Keycloak Server

- Wildfly / Undertow
- JAX-RS (Resteasy)
- JPA (Hibernate)
- Infinispan (JGroups)
- Freemarker
- Jackson 2.x
- Liquibase
- JBoss Logging
- Apache Directory API
- Commons HTTP Client



Keycloak.X (Preview) Technology Stack

Admin Console

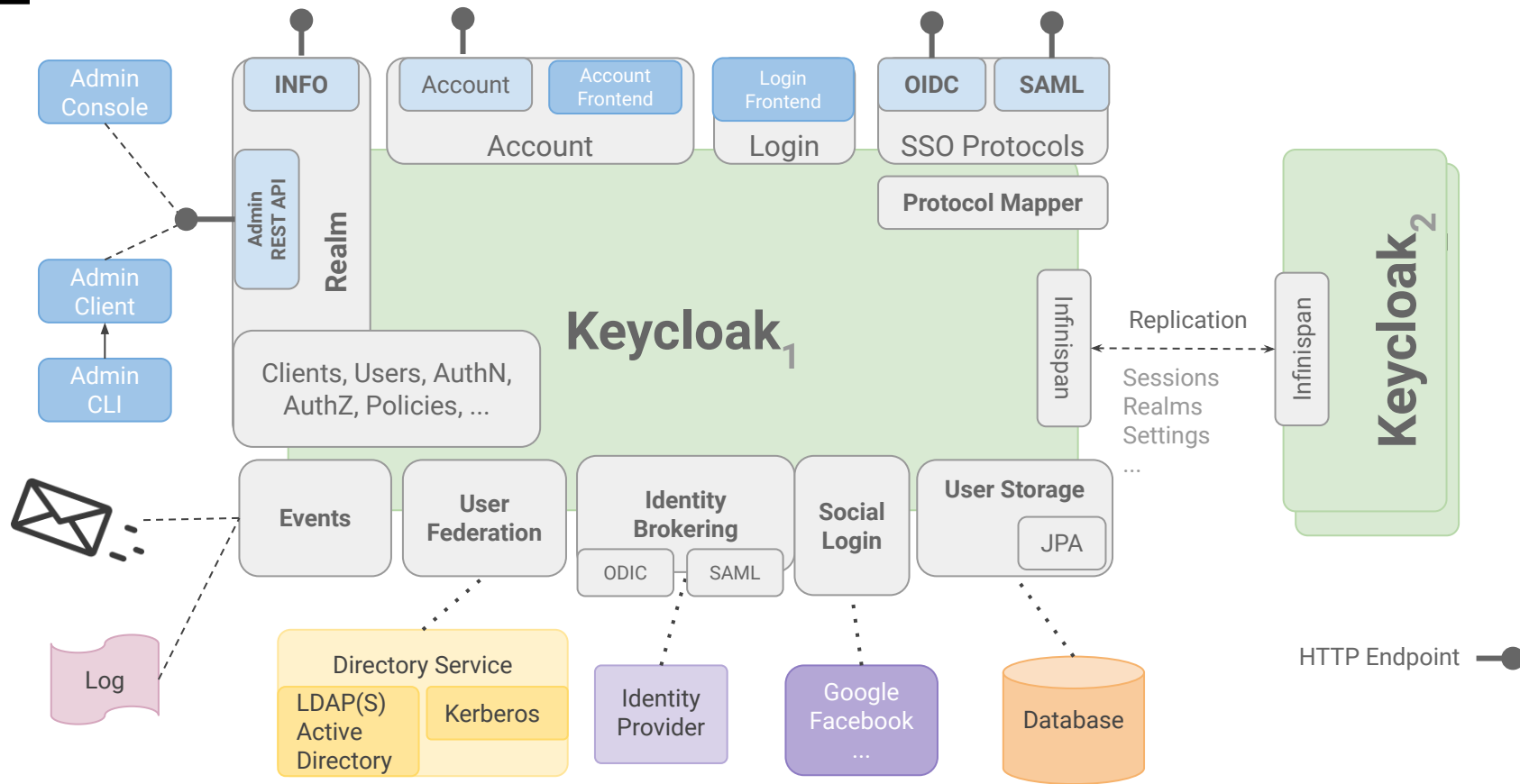
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Server Architecture



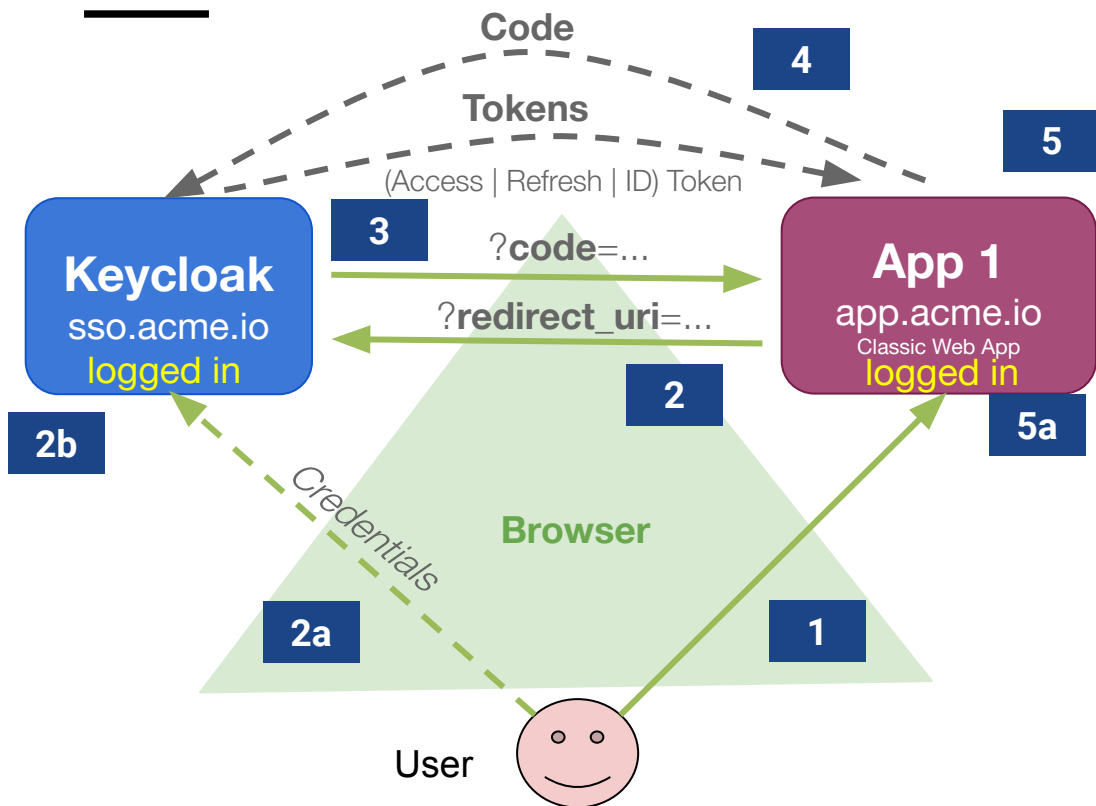
Single Sign-on with Keycloak

How it works

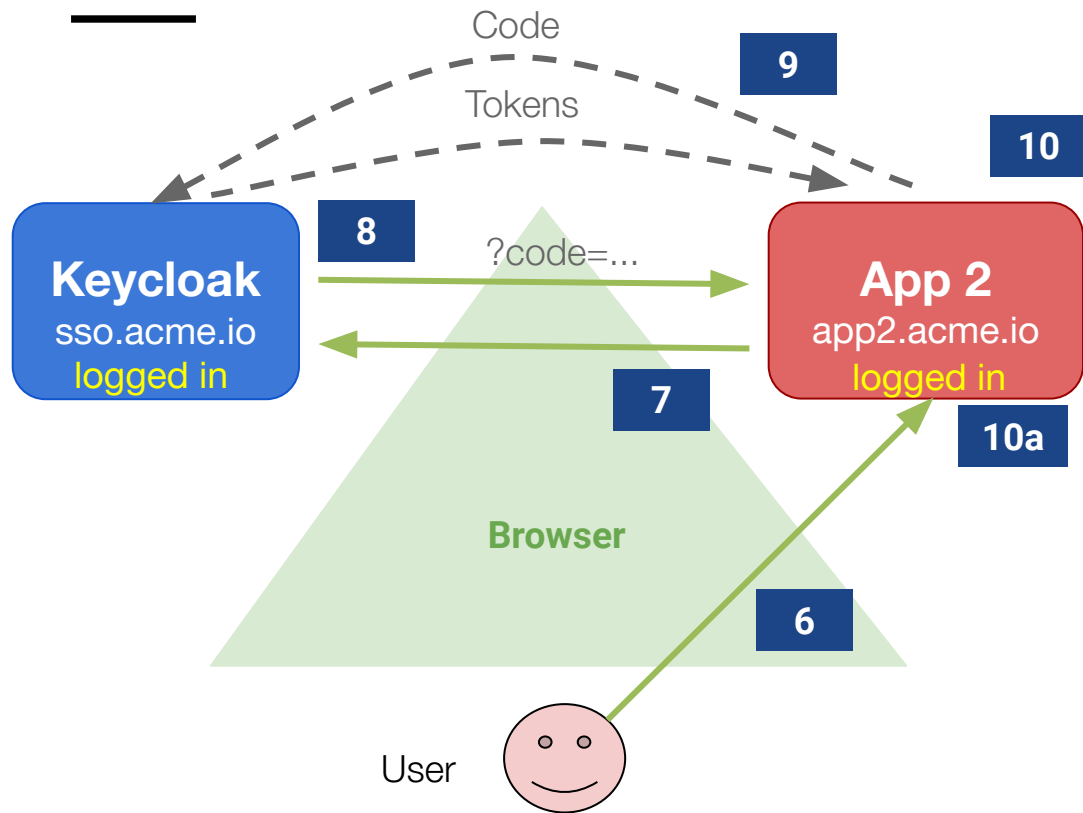
Single Sign-on

- **SSO** \Rightarrow Login **once** to access all applications
- **Standardized Protocols**
 - OpenID Connect 1.0 (OIDC)
 - Security Assertion Markup Language 2.0 (SAML)
- **Browser based “Web SSO”**
 - Web, Mobile and Desktop Apps
- Support for **Single Logout**
 - Logouts can be propagated to applications
 - Applications can opt-in

Web SSO with OIDC*: Unauthenticated User



Web SSO with OIDC: Authenticated User



...

6 Authenticated user **accesses** App 2

7 App 2 **redirects** user to Keycloak for login

8 Keycloak **detects** SSO Session, **generates** code, **redirects** to App 2

9 App 2 **exchanges** code for tokens with Keycloak via separate channel

10 App 2 **verifies** received tokens and associates it with a session

10a User is now *logged-in* to App 2

Keycloak Tokens

- OAuth / OpenID Connect
 - Signed self-contained **JSON Web Token**
 - **Claims**: KV-Pairs with User information + Metadata
 - Issued by Keycloak, **signed** with Realm **Private Key**
 - **Verified** by Client with Realm **Public Key**
 - Limited lifespan, can be revoked
- Essential Token Types
 - **Access-Token** short-lived (Minutes+) → used for **accessing Resources**
 - **Refresh-Token** longer-lived (Hours+) → used for **requesting new Tokens**
 - **IDToken** → contains **User information** (OIDC)
 - **Offline-Token** long-lived (Days++) “*Refresh-Token*” that “never” expires

JSON Web Tokens



<**header**-base64Url>.<**payload**-base64Url>.<**signature**-base64Url>

Encoded

PASTE A TOKEN HERE

```
eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJzdWIiOiIxMjM0NTY3ODkwIiwibmFtZSI6IkpvaG4gRG9lIiwiaWF0Ij06MTYzOTUwMDE5LjJVA950cmM7E2cBab30RMHrHDcEfxjoYZgeFONFh7HgQ
```

Note

Base64 means **Encoding**
Encoding != Encryption

Decoded

EDIT THE PAYLOAD AND SECRET (ONLY HS256 SUPPORTED)

HEADER: ALGORITHM & TOKEN TYPE

```
{  
  "alg": "HS256",  
  "typ": "JWT"  
}
```

PAYLOAD: DATA

```
{  
  "sub": "1234567890",  
  "name": "John Doe",  
  "admin": true  
}
```

VERIFY SIGNATURE

```
HMACSHA256(  
  base64UrlEncode(header) + "." +  
  base64UrlEncode(payload),  
  secret  
) ☐ secret base64 encoded
```

<https://jwt.io>

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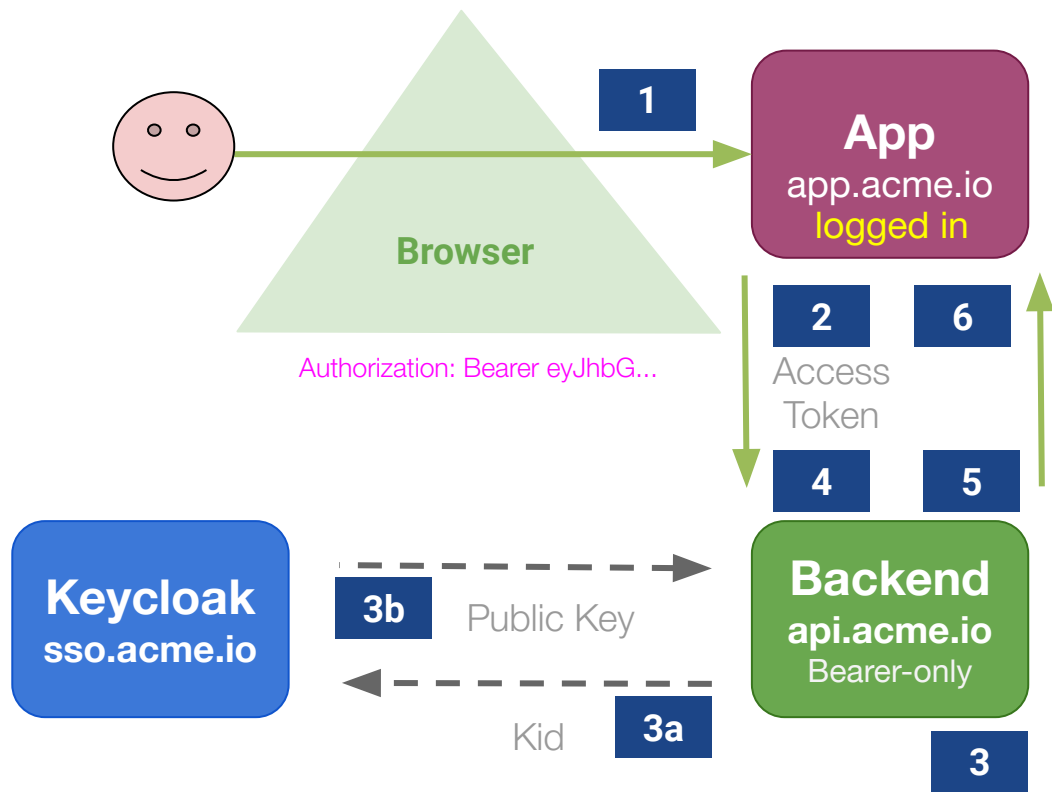
EDIT THE PAYLOAD AND SECRET (ONLY HS256 SUPPORTED)

```
{
  "alg": "RS256",
  "typ": "JWT",
  "kid": "LODqsT74Tp0RQr9GJeiRQVsUnVYC97x__gKmsI5LOW"
}
```

PAYLOAD: DATA

<https://jwt.io>

Calling Backend Services with Access-Token



- 1 Authenticated User **accesses** App
- 2 App **uses** Access-Token in *HTTP Header* to access backend
- 3 Backend **looks-up** Realm Public Key in cache with in *Kid* from *JWT*
- 3a If not found, **fetch** Public Key with *Kid* from Keycloak's JWKS endpoint
- 3b Keycloak **returns** Realm Public Key
- 4 Backend **verifies** signature of Access-Token with *Realm Public Key*
- 5 Backend Service **grants** access and **returns** user data
- 6 App can now display user data

Keycloak Client Integrations

Keycloak Integration Options

- OpenID Connect Keycloak Adapters
 - Spring Security, Spring Boot, ServletFilter, Tomcat, Jetty, Undertow, Wildfly, JBoss EAP,...
 - NodeJS, JavaScript, Angular, AngularJS, Aurelia, CLI & Desktop Apps...
- SAML Keycloak Adapters
 - ServletFilter, Tomcat, Jetty, Wildfly ...
- Many generic library integrations (Java, .Net (Core), Python, Node,...)
 - Spring Security 5 JWT / OAuth / OIDC support might be sufficient for your use-cases
 - see [OIDC](#) and [SAML](#)
- Reverse Proxies
 - [oauth2-proxy](#), Auth-Proxy, written in Go (Replaces ~~[Louketo Proxy](#)~~ FKA Keycloak Gatekeeper)
 - Apache **mod_auth_openidc** for OpenID Connect and **mod_auth_mellon** for SAML
 - Nginx [OpenResty](#)



Keycloak Demo

Securing Apps

Demo Environment



KEYCLOAK

Web based Single Sign-On

WS-Chat

Spring Boot
OIDC Confidential

Frontend

Spring Boot
OIDC Confidential

Plain JS App

Javascript
OIDC Public Client

Frontend

Spring Boot
SAML

Authorization: Bearer \$ACCESS_TOKEN

Backend

Spring Boot
OAUTH Bearer-only



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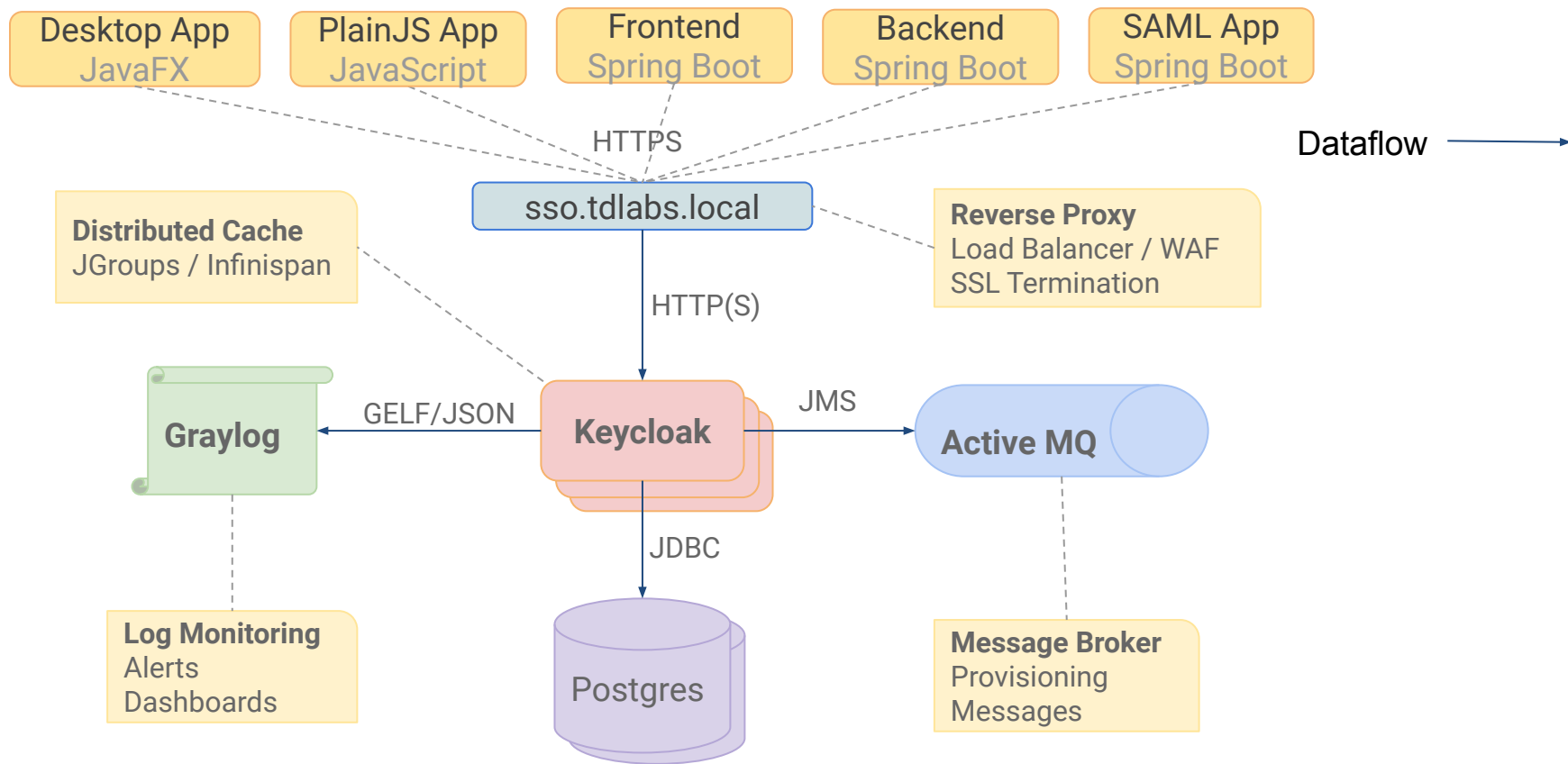
Securing Apps

[thomasdarimont/keycloak-docker-demo](https://github.com/thomasdarimont/keycloak-docker-demo)

Keycloak in the Field

How can a Keycloak environment look like?

Demo Environment



Keycloak with Graylog + ActiveMQ

Messages

Previous 1 Next

Timestamp	source	clientId	realmId	SystemComponent	SystemGroup	type	username
2017-10-23 21:35:36.280	c9b07a369186	app	acme	idm-ssso	idm	CODE TO TOKEN	
type=CODE_TO_TOKEN, realmId=acme, clientId=app-frontend-plainjs, userId=af86fe6e-6558-4872-88ee-0e9448e5ae91, ipAddress=172.20.0.1, token_id=54a1c899-n_code, refresh_token_type=Refresh, refresh_tok							
2017-10-23 21:35:36.071	c9b07a369186	app	acme	idm-ssso	idm		
type=LOGIN, realmId=acme, clientId=app-frontend-plainjs, userId=af86fe6e-6558-4872-88ee-0e9448e5ae91, ipAddress=172.20.0.1, auth_method=openid-connect ttp://apps.tdlabs.local:20002/webapp/, consent=							
2017-10-23 21:35:34.468	c9b07a369186	app	acme	idm-ssso	idm		
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2017-10-23 21:35:34.412	c9b07a369186	app	acme	idm-ssso	idm		
type=LOGIN, realmId=acme, clientId=app-javaee-petclinic, userId=af86fe6e-6558-4872-88ee-0e9448e5ae91, ipAddress=172.20.0.1, auth_method=openid-connect ttp://apps.tdlabs.local:28080/hello.jsf, consen							

```
{
  "eventId": "f3f2fb8f-6594-499d-9590-287d9c5645bf",
  "instanceName": "192@c9b07a369186:172.20.0.7",
  "realmId": "acme",
  "userId": "af86fe6e-6558-4872-88ee-0e9448e5ae91",
  "type": "USER",
  "timestamp": 1508793043073,
  "contextId": "USER",
  "contextAction": "UPDATE_PROFILE",
  "contextData": { },
  "auditInfo": {
    "realmId": "acme",
    "clientId": "account",
    "ipAddress": "172.20.0.1",
    "userId": "af86fe6e-6558-4872-88ee-0e9448e5ae91",
    "username": "tester"
  },
  "userInfo": {
    "userId": "af86fe6e-6558-4872-88ee-0e9448e5ae91",
    "realmId": "acme",
    "emailVerified": false,
    "enabled": true,
    "username": "tester",
    "email": "tom+tester@localhost",
    "firstname": "Theo",
    "lastname": "Tester",
    "creationDateTime": 1488399721096,
    "attributes": {
      "dev": [ "true" ],
      "origin": [ "legacy-system1" ]
    }
  }
}
```

ActiveMQTM

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Browse idm.queue.keycloak.r...

Message ID ↑	Correlation ID	Persistence	Priority	Redelivered
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KEYCLOAK Summary

- Easy to get started
 - unzip & run, [Keycloak Docker Images](#)
- Provides many features out of the box
 - SSO, Social Login, Federation, User Management,...
- Builds on proven and robust standards
 - OAuth 2.0, OpenID Connect 1.0, SAML 2.0
- Very extensible and easy to integrate
 - Many extension points & customization options
- A pivotal part of a modern Identity Management

Thanks!



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Links

- [Keycloak Website](#)
- [Keycloak Docs](#)
- [Keycloak Blog](#)
- [Keycloak User Mailing List](#)
- [Keycloak Developer Mailing List](#)
- [OpenID Connect](#)
- [Keycloak Community Extensions](#)
- [SAML](#)
- [JSON Web Tokens](#)
- [Awesome Keycloak](#)
- [Keycloak Dockerized Examples](#)
- [Keycloak Quickstart Projects](#)
- [Keycloak Extension Playground](#)


Tips for working with Keycloak




- Learn to configure Wildfly → Booktip: Wildfly Cookbook
- Keep your Tokens small → HTTP Header limits!
 - Only put in the Tokens what you really need → Full Scope Allowed = off
- Keycloak provides a Realm-scoped Admin Console
 - <http://kc-host:8080/auth/admin/my-realm/console>
 - Admin users need permissions for realm-management in my-realm
- Secure your Keycloak Installation!
 - Inspect other Keycloak instances to learn what to hide
 - [Google Search for Keycloak Endpoints](#)
 - [Shodan search for Keycloak](#)

Keycloak Extension Points

- Extensions via *Service Provider Interfaces*
- Custom Authentication Mechanisms
- Custom “Required Actions”
- Custom User Storage (JDBC, REST, etc.)
- Event Listener (Provisioning, JMS)
- Credential Hashing Mechanisms
- Custom REST Endpoints
- Custom Themes
- ... many more

Keycloak Extension Example


 dteleguin / beercloak


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BeerCloak: a comprehensive Keycloak extension example

keycloak


 23 commits

 1 branch

 0 releases







 0 contributors


Branch: master [New pull request](#) [Create new file](#) [Upload files](#) [Find file](#) [Clone or download](#)

 **Dmitry Telegin** Update theme for latest Keycloak

Latest commit 4d7f14a on Jan 9

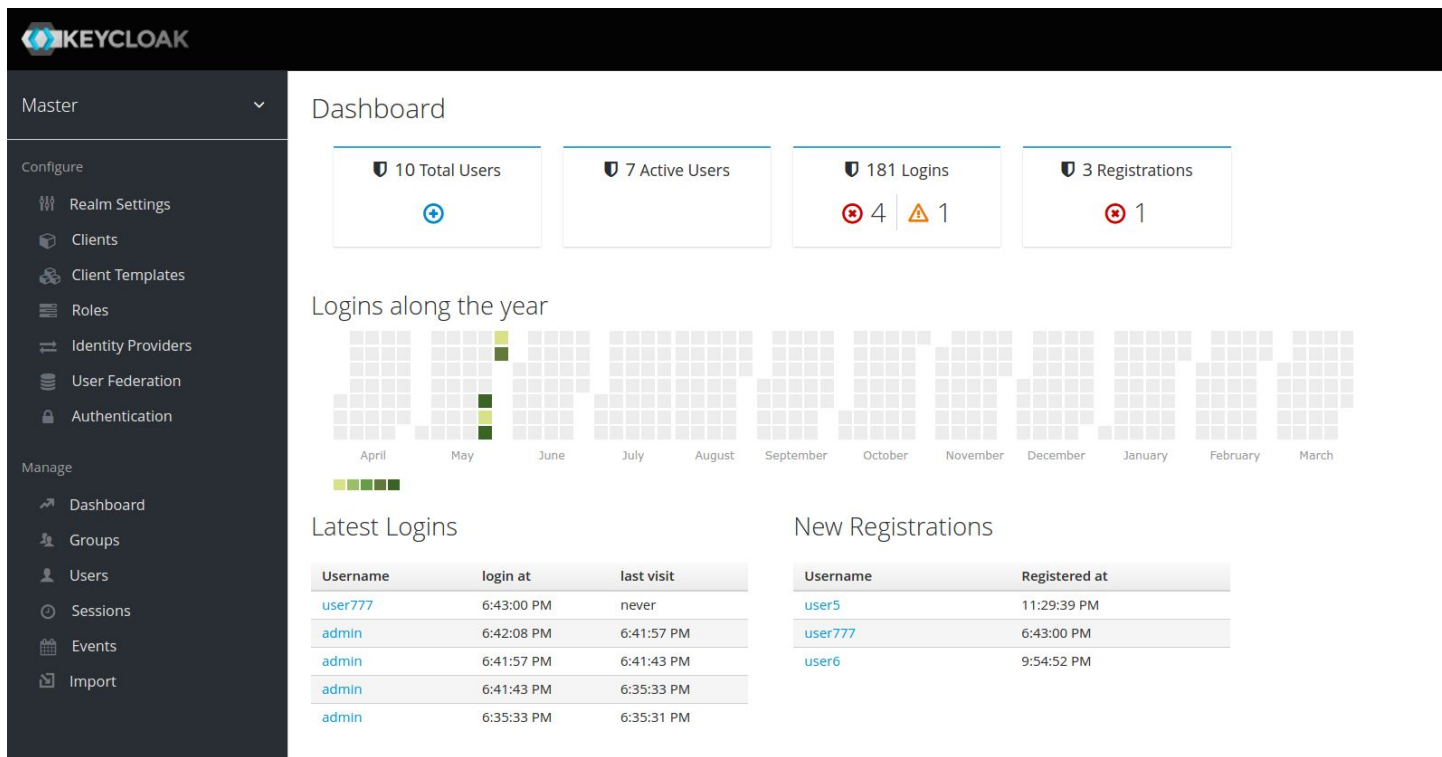
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gitignore - 2,
md - 70,
xml - 20

 beercloak-core	Split some "business logic" into a separate module	a year ago
 beercloak-ear	Split some "business logic" into a separate module	a year ago
 beercloak-module	Update theme for latest Keycloak	2 months ago
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 README.md

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Custom Dashboard Extension



Please vote :) <https://issues.jboss.org/browse/KEYCLOAK-1840>

Supported Authentication Protocols

- OpenID Connect 1.0
 - Protocol based on OAuth 2.0
 - Uses OAuth 2.0 tokens + *IDToken* to encode *Identity*
 - Tokens are encoded as JSON Web Tokens ([JWT](#))
 - Requires secure channel HTTPS/TLS
- SAML 2.0 Security Assertion Markup Language
 - Very mature standard & common in enterprise environments
 - XML based protocol
 - Uses XML signature and encryption
- Docker Registry v2 Authentication

Accessing the API Backend with CURL

1 Request new Tokens via Password Credentials Grant (Direct Access Grants in Keycloak)

```
KC_RESPONSE=$(curl -X POST \  
  http://sso.tdlabs.local:8899/u/auth/realms/acme/protocol/openid-connect/token \  
  -d 'grant_type=password' \  
  -d 'username=tester&password=test' \  
  -d 'client_id=app-frontend-springboot&client_secret=4822a740-20b9-4ff7-bbed-e664f4a70eb6' \  
)
```

2 Extract AccessToken

```
KC_ACCESS_TOKEN=$(echo $KC_RESPONSE | jq -r .access_token)  
# eyJhbGciOiJSUzI1NiIsInR5cCIgOiAiSldUIiwia2lkIiA6ICJGY3RMVHJqewRrYkpISGZ0d29U ...
```

3 Use AccessToken in Authorization Header

```
curl \  
  -H "Authorization: Bearer $KC_ACCESS_TOKEN" \  
  http://apps.tdlabs.local:20000/todos/search/my-todos
```


Desktop Applications

- Two ways to integrate Desktop Applications
 - Direct Access Grants - *no* SSO
 - KeycloakInstalled Adapter - SSO
- Direct Access Grants
 - Uses Resource Owner Password Credentials Grant Flow (`grant_type=password`)
 - Sends HTTP POST request to /token Endpoint (`client_id`, `username`, `password`)
 - Keycloak returns Tokens (Access-, ID-, Refresh-Token)
 - Client needs to parse & validate tokens
 - Client sees password → *Password Anti-Pattern*
- KeycloakInstalled Adapter
 - Uses OAuth2 *Authorization Code Flow* for Desktop / CLI apps (`grant_type=code`)
 - Code to Token exchange via short lived `ServerSocket@localhost`
 - Uses Keycloak Login via Browser
 - Can reuse existing SSO session

Using the KeycloakInstalled Adapter

1

Add Maven Dependency

```
<dependency>  
  <groupId>org.keycloak</groupId>  
  <artifactId>keycloak-installed-adapter</artifactId>  
  <version>${keycloak.version}</version>  
</dependency>
```

2

Export keycloak.json for Client

```
{ "realm": "acme",  
  "auth-server-url": "http://sso.tdlabs.local:8899/u/auth",  
  "ssl-required": "external",  
  "resource": "app-frontend-javafx",  
  "public-client": true, "use-resource-role-mappings": true }
```

3

Create KeycloakInstalled

```
KeycloakInstalled keycloak = new KeycloakInstalled();
```

4

Trigger Browser login

```
keycloak.loginDesktop();
```

5

Read current username

```
keycloak.getIdToken().getPreferredUsername()
```

6

Read & use AccessToken

```
String token = keycloak.getTokenString(10, TimeUnit.SECONDS);  
httpClient.header("Authorization", "Bearer " + token);
```

7

Trigger Browser Logout

```
keycloak.logout()
```

Identity and Access Management (IAM)

Identity Management (IdM)

- Identity Proofing
- Creation, Deactivation
- Maintenance
- Identity Resolution
- Account Recovery
- Authentication (AuthN)

Access Management (AM)

- Policy Administration
- Entitlements Management
- Provisioning
- Authorization (AuthZ)