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1. OKTA Setup

1.1 Registration

https://dev-50623690-admin.okta.com/

1.2. Create Users

student1sso@mailinator.com d / Cxxxxxx123!

student2sso@mailinator.com / Cxxxxxx123!

teacher1sso@mailinator.com / Cxxxxxx123!

teacher2sso@mailinator.com d / Cxxxxxx123!

admin1sso@mailinator.com de / Cxxxxxx123!

1.3. Add Claims

Steps to Add email as a Custom Claim in Access Token

- 1. Go to OKTA Admin Console
- Navigate to: Security → API → Authorization Servers
- 3. Click your server (e.g., default)
- 4. Go to the Claims tab
- 5. Click "Add Claim"

E.g. Add claim "email" with the following expression:

```
(appuser != null) ? appuser.email : ""
```

1.4. Create UserManagementApp Application

- · Spring Boot handles login redirects to OKTA
- OKTA returns code → backend exchanges for access/refresh/id tokens
- · Backend maintains authenticated session
- Angular never directly communicates with OKTA
- · Backend enforces role-based authorization from your DB

Step 1: Create 2 OIDC Web Applications in OKTA

create two confidential client applications:

- App 1 User Management Application (Backend)
- App 2 Courses Management Application (Backend)

For each:

- 1. **Go to**: OKTA Admin Console → Applications → Applications → **Create App Integration**
- 2. Choose:
 - Sign-in method: OIDC OpenID Connect
 - Application type: Web Application
 - Click Next
- 3. Fill in details:
 - Name: e.g., UserManagementApp
 - o Grant type:
 - Authorization Code
 - Refresh Token (checked by default for Web App)
 - Client Credentials (for microservice-to-microservice calls)
 - Sign-in redirect URIs: http://localhost:9001/login/oauth2/code/user-app (on gateway) (Changed "okta" to "user-app" because separate gateways does not work and I have to use single gateway. Use "user-app" and "course-app" as registration id for the 2 applications)
 - Sign-out redirect URIs: http://localhost:9001/logout (on gateway)
- 4. Click Save

Step 2: Get the Credentials

After saving, you will get:

- Client ID
- Client Secret
- Issuer URL: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default
 - Navigate to: Security → API → Authorization Servers

You'll need these for Spring Boot's application.yml.

Step 3: Enable Refresh Token & PKCE

- PKCE is required and automatically enabled for confidential clients in Spring Security when the useragent is a browser.
- · Refresh Token is enabled by default for Web Applications in OKTA.

1.5. Create application CourseManagementApp

Follow the same steps. Just use port 9002 which is the gateway of CourseManagementApp

1.6. Add Custom Claim to Access Token

- 1. Go to OKTA Admin Console
- 2. Navigate to:

Security \rightarrow API \rightarrow Authorization Servers

- 3. Click your server (e.g., default)
- 4. Go to the Claims tab
- 5. Click "Add Claim"

Fill in the following:

Field	Value
Name	fistName
Include in token type	✓ Access Token
Value type	Expression
Value	appUser.given_name
Include in	Scopes: openid email profile

Click Create.

To find the field used for the above "Value",

- 1. Go to OKTA Admin Console
- 2. In the left menu, click **Directory** \rightarrow **Profile Editor**
- 3. In the list of **Applications**, find your application: e.g., UserManagementApp

Create the following custom claims:

sub	appuser.userName
email	appuser.email
firstName	appuser.given_name
lastName	appuser.family_name

2. Architecture and Design

2.1 Architecture

2.1.1 Architecture Options

2.1.1.1 Should we use PKCE?

OKTA recommends PKCE only for public clients (e.g., SPAs or mobile apps).

Even though our frontend is an SPA:

- The Angular app never talks to Okta directly
- · All OAuth2 traffic goes through the Spring Boot Gateway
- And that gateway uses a client ID + secret = confidential client

The backend does not expose credentials to the browser, so PKCE is NOT recommended in our case.

2.1.1.2 Communication between FE and BE

Expose only the gateway to the public.

All frontend (browser) requests should go through the gateway (Spring Cloud Gateway).

All microservices like user-profile-svc, course-query-svc, etc. should:

- · Be behind the gateway
- · Be accessible only inside the internal network

Currently for POC purpose, we are using 2 separate gateways (SCG). Given our application, the actual implementation should use **SINGLE** gateway.

2.1.1.3 Inter-Service (Microservices) Communication

- · It currently includes the user's access token in the Authorization: Bearer ... header
- · user-profile-svc accepts that token via Spring Security's oauth2ResourceServer.jwt config

What's Protected

- The user's identity and token is validated at user-profile-svc
- · The API is not open to the public without a valid OKTA token

X What's Not Protected

 Anyone on the same network (e.g., compromised internal machine or Docker container) could call with a valid OKTA access token and get data — because there's no caller identity verification

Recommendation for You (Today)

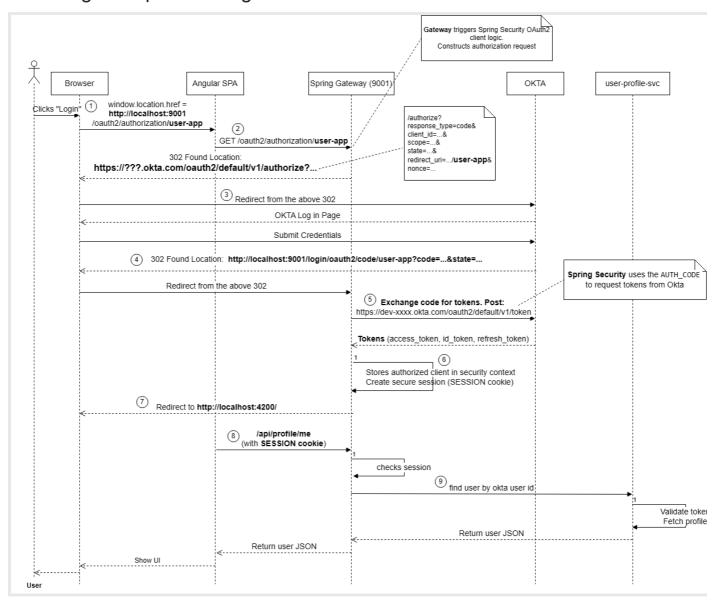
Since your goal is app-managed roles and backend-only access, here's what's ideal right now:

Protection Type	Recommended Now?	Notes
Private network	✓ Must-have	Use internal-only ports/IPs

Token validation	Already used	Validates user's identity
Caller identity check	✓ Add header check	Fast and simple
mTLS / service JWTs	⇒ Optional later	Use when hardening prod

2.2 Design

2.2.1 Login Sequence Diagram



2.2.1.1 Actors Involved:

- User: A person interacting with the app.
- Browser: Executes the Angular SPA and handles HTTP redirects.
- Angular SPA: Frontend app running in the browser on port 4200.
- Spring Cloud Gateway: Backend reverse proxy with OAuth2 login configured on port 9001.
- Okta: The identity provider handling login and token issuance.

2.2.1.2 Full Authentication Sequence (Authorization Code Flow with PKCE)

1. User initiates login

- User clicks "Login" in the Angular app.
- Angular SPA triggers:
 - → window.location.href = http://localhost:9001/oauth2/authorization/user-app

2. Redirect to Okta for login

- Browser sends GET /oauth2/authorization/user-app to Gateway
- Gateway triggers Spring Security OAuth2 client logic:
 - · Constructs authorization request
 - · Redirects to:

```
https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default/v1/authorize?
response_type=code&
client_id=...&
scope=...&
state=...&
redirect_uri=http://localhost:9001/login/oauth2/code/user-app&
nonce=...
```

3. User authenticates with Okta

- Browser follows redirect to Okta (See the above 302 location).
- User enters username and password on the Okta login page
- If MFA is enabled, **User** completes MFA (e.g. Okta Verify)
- · Okta validates credentials and MFA

4. Okta returns authorization code

. Okta redirects back to http://localhost:9001/login/oauth2/code/user-app?code=...&state=...

5. Spring Gateway exchanges code for tokens

- Gateway receives the request on /login/oauth2/code/user-app
- Spring Security uses the AUTH_CODE to request tokens from Okta:
 - Spring Security captures the redirect (/login/oauth2/code/user-app)
 - extracts the code=... from the URL
 - sends a POST request to Okta's token endpoint

POST https://your-domain.okta.com/oauth2/default/v1/token
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

grant_type=authorization_code
code=abc123...
redirect_uri=http://localhost:9001/login/oauth2/code/okta
client_id=...
client_secret=...

• If valid, Okta responds with:

```
"access_token": "...",
   "id_token": "...",
   "expires_in": 3600,
   "token_type": "Bearer"
}
```

- Spring stores these tokens (usually in session)
- · User is now authenticated

6. Session established on Gateway

- Gateway stores the authorized client in the security context
- · A secure session (SESSION cookie) is created

7. Gateway redirects user back to Angular

Gateway redirects user to configured success URL

http://localhost:4200 2

8. Angular bootstraps and requests user profile

- · Angular SPA loads
- · It calls:
 - → GET /api/profile/me via proxy (→ http://localhost:9001/api/profile/me)
- · Gateway checks session, forwards request with access token to backend
 - Spring Security inspects the session cookie (SESSION):
 - This session was created during login (/login/oauth2/code/user-app).
 - The session holds the **OAuth2AuthorizedClient** object, which contains:
 - Access token
 - Refresh token (optional)
 - Client registration metadata
 - The session is authenticated, so request proceeds.
 - Because we added the filter "TokenRelay",

- SCG retrieves the access token from the OAuth2AuthorizedClient in the session and,
- Adds header: Authorization: Bearer eyJhbGciOi...
- SCG forwards the request to the backend microserviceservice discovery (via lb://... in uri



- 9. Spring Boot microservice validates token, fetches profile, and returns JSON
- Incoming Request to microservice:

GET /api/profile/me

Authorization: Bearer eyJhbGciOi...

• We have configured the service as a JWT resource server:

```
spring:
security:
oauth2:
resourceserver:
jwt:
issuer-uri: https://dev-xxxxx.okta.com/oauth2/default
```

- Spring Security validates the token:
 - Decodes the JWT
 - o Checks claims like:
 - iss (issuer)
 - exp (expiration)
 - **aud** (audience, if configured)
 - If the token is valid:
 - Spring populates the Authentication object with a JwtAuthenticationToken
 - In Java code, we can access claims via:

```
@AuthenticationPrincipal Jwt jwt
```

• controller or service logic uses the claim (e.g., email) to fetch the user profile

```
AppUser user = userRepository.findByEmail(jwt.getClaimAsString("email"));
```

2.2.2 Design Approach for Separate Schemas

2.2.2.1 Tables

- 1. app_user in schema ssouser
- 2. course in schema ssocourse

- 3. course enrollment join table in **ssocourse** schema
- 4. course application in ssocourseapp schema

course-enrollment table structure

Column	Туре	Description
course_id	BIGINT	FK to course.id
student_id	BIGINT	FK to app_user.id (role=STUDENT)
created_at	TIMESTAMP	optional, for audit

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No actual FK constraint on **student_id** since it's cross-schema — handle integrity in application logic.

Δ

Do not share entities across services unless they use the same schema.

Misusing might cause the same entity creates DB table in multiple databases (schemas)

In our case, we have the following entities created in common-lib:

- com.dxu.sso.common.model.user.AppUser
- com.dxu.sso.common.model.course.Course
- com.dxu.sso.common.model.course.CourseEnrollment
- com.dxu.sso.common.model.course.CourseEnrollmentId
- com.dxu.sso.common.model.courseapp.CourseApplication

We create them in different packages, then we can scan them separately in necessary microservices

For inter-service communication between services for different databases/schemas, use DTO instead

2.2.3 Should It Be Reactive?

If you're architecting for scalability, non-blocking I/O, or reactive event flows, go fully reactive.

Otherwise, Spring MVC + REST is still the best choice for simplicity, stability, and maintainability.

2.2.3.1 When Fully Reactive Is Better

If you're building a system that:

- 1. ✓ Needs **massive scalability** (thousands of concurrent I/O requests)
- 2. Does a lot of non-blocking I/O (e.g., calling external APIs, DBs)
- 3. Uses **reactive databases** (like MongoDB Reactive or R2DBC)
- 4. Wants **streaming support** (e.g., server-sent events, backpressure)
- 5. Integrates well into event-driven architectures (e.g., Kafka, WebSockets)

Then yes, reactive is superior.

★ But Reactive Has Drawbacks — Even If Complexity Doesn't Matter

Drawback	Why it matters	
Thread stack traces are harder to debug	Because reactive chains are not call-stack based	
Not all libraries are reactive	You still may need to block (JDBC, legacy code)	
Testability is more complex	Especially for async flows, step-by-step verification	
Learning curve	Your team still has to onboard, maintain, and reason through it	
Not CPU-bound optimized	Reactive is for I/O efficiency, not raw CPU performance	
Overhead for small apps	Reactive adds complexity where simple MVC is more than sufficient	

General Guidance

System Type	Go Reactive?
API Gateway (WebFlux)	✓ Yes — great fit
High-concurrency public APIs	✓ Yes
DB-heavy service with JDBC	X No (unless you use R2DBC)
Simple internal microservice	X No (traditional MVC is fine)
Data streaming or SSE/WebSocket	✓ Yes
Event-driven systems	✓ Yes (Kafka, WebSockets, etc.)

2.2.3.2 Analysis

Service	Reactive Now?	Should Be Reactive?	Why / Why Not
api-gateway	Yes	✓ Yes	Spring Cloud Gateway is reactive by design (Already reactive)
user-profile- svc	X No (JPA)	➤ No (unless you migrate to R2DBC)	It's simple, DB-bound, blocking JDBC
user-admin- svc	X No	× No	Admin-only, low traffic, blocking DB

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course-query-	X No (JPA)	Optional	If you need high-speed public course browsing (and use caching or R2DBC), it might benefit from reactive
course-man- agement-svc	X No (JPA)	X No	Mostly write operations, admin-focused
course-appli- cation-svc	× No	✓ Yes	Good candidate: async logic, Kafka/event-driven, multi- service orchestration, non-blocking fits well
Kafka consumers/pr oducers	X Partial	✓ Yes	If part of an event-driven workflow, reactive Kafka (via Project Reactor or Spring Cloud Stream) is ideal
Inter-service WebClient calls	Blocking with .block()	✓ Yes	Easy win — move to Mono, Flux to avoid blocking threads unnecessarily

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Tried to apply fully reactive solution for course-application-svc, UserWebClient and CourseWebClient. However, it failed due to thread issue.

2.2.4 Kafka Integration

2.2.4.1 Event for Course Application Approved

Goal: When a course application is approved in course-application-svc, emit a Kafka event to inform course-management-svc to create a new course enrollment record.

2.2.4.2 Saga Pattern - Data Integrity

2.2.5 Saga Pattern

2.2.6 Drools Integration

3. Back End Implementation

- ── 🖰 3.1 Config Server, Gateway and Eureka Server
- 3.2 User Management
- 3.3 Course Management
- 3.4 Shared Library common-lib
- 3.5 Kafka Integration

3.1 Config Server, Gateway and Eureka Server

3.1.1 Overview

- Single Eureka Server: All microservices register with one service registry.
- Single Gateway (e.g. api-gateway or user-gateway): Handles all routing and security.

3.1.2 Design Considerations

3.1.2.1 Use Single Gateway

Issue:

- 1. Originally my Angular frontend uses a proxy config to forward:
 - /api/profile/* to http://localhost:9001 (user-gateway)
 - /api/courses/* to http://localhost:9011 (course-gateway)
- 2. **user-gateway** is likely managing the session (holding cookies like SESSION) and properly configured for Okta login.
- 3. **course-gateway** is not sharing the session, so when /api/courses is called, it has:
 - · No access token or session info
 - Spring Security thinks you're not logged in → returns 302 redirect to login (/oauth2/authorization/okta)
- 4. Once the browser follows that 302 redirect, it may overwrite cookies, invalidate session, or otherwise interfere with your current login context causing /api/profile/me to stop working too.

Solution:

- 1. Route all API calls through a single gateway, such as api-gateway, which ensures:
 - · All routes go through a single OAuth2 login session
 - TokenRelay forwards the same token to both backend services
 - · Session consistency is maintained
- 2. Ensure **withCredentials: true** is used in Angular. This ensures **cookies** like **SESSION** are **included** in the request.

```
this.http.get('/api/profile/me', { withCredentials: true })
```

3. Make sure CORS is enabled in all backend services

Each service (course-query-svc, user-profile-svc, etc.) must allow:

- Origin from your Angular dev server (http://localhost:4200)
- Allow credentials
- · Allow headers like Authorization
- 4. We are using OAuth2 Resource Server on backend, Backends like course-query-svc must accept JWT via:

```
spring:
    security:
    oauth2:
     resourceserver:
     jwt:
        issuer-uri: https://dev-xxxx.okta.com/oauth2/default
```

3.1.2.1.2 How to Support Multiple Okta Applications

Spring Security can distinguish between multiple clients by using multi-client configuration:

```
spring:
 security:
   oauth2:
     client:
        registration:
         user-app:
           provider: okta
           client-id: 0oaooqy915xbkRCKT5d7
           client-secret: Ew-4IiHuFr6cgY1w3JhJ5PFWzvB-yZGx6xdD_y3rxhSWioOG-U_NGsCViCvlAxfe
           scope: openid, profile, email
           authorization-grant-type: authorization_code
            redirect-uri: "{baseUrl}/login/oauth2/code /user-app"
          course-app:
           provider: okta
           client-id: 0oaoor5c1wl5NU1ef5d7
           client-secret: AC-_PThmy1t69J7Q1Je2g4HNRXq1mPqAUGDspKsy6dTFGk7RVV00a5jKiwZVuJ3z
           scope: openid, profile, email
           authorization-grant-type: authorization_code
           redirect-uri: "{baseUrl}/login/oauth2/code/course-app"
        provider:
          okta:
           issuer-uri: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default
```

And in your **gateway security config**, you can customize the OAuth2 login:

3.1.2.2 Use Single Eureka Server

3.1.2.2.1 Drawbacks of Using Multiple Eureka Servers

Concern	Issue	
Complexity	You need multiple gateways or static routing	
Discovery Isolation	Each Eureka server only knows part of the ecosystem	
	Session/cookie/token state may conflict	
➢ Troubleshooting	Harder to trace request flow across domains	

3.1.2.2.2 Benefits of Using a Single Eureka Server

1. Centralized Service Discovery

- All microservices (user-related, course-related, etc.) register to the same registry.
- The gateway has a complete view and can route using lb://service-name.

2. Clean and Simple Gateway Config

- You don't need to hardcode static URIs or worry about manual routing.
- Just use lb://course-query-svc or lb://user-profile-svc.

3. Better Load Balancing and Failover

- Spring Cloud LoadBalancer works best with Eureka.
- Failover, health checks, retries, and service instance awareness are automatic.

4. Better Observability

• You can view all microservices and their status in one Eureka dashboard.

5. Simpler Configuration Management

• You can use a unified Spring Cloud Config Server or application.yml setup across services.

6. Less Error-Prone Security Handling

• Session, token relay, and login logic (especially with Okta/OAuth2) are more consistent.

3.2 User Management

3.2.1 Backend Implementation

3.2.1.1 Overview

3.2.1.1.1 Authentication & Authorization

- · OAuth2 login via OKTA is handled only by api-gateway
- Each backend service is:
 - Stateless
 - Secured via JWT (relayed by gateway using TokenRelay)
 - Uses spring-boot-starter-oauth2-resource-server for validating tokens
- · Authorization is managed by application itself

3.2.1.1.2 Components

Component	Purpose	Port
api-gateway	Central entry point (handles login & token relay), SINGLE Gateway	9001
user-profile-svc	Saves profile of the logged-in OKTA user	9002
user-admin-svc	Allows admin to manage user accounts	9003
user-config-server	Centralized configuration	9004
eureka-server	SINGLE Service discovery	9761
MySQL DB 8	Stores internal user profile info (email, roles, etc.)	_

Spring Boot: 3.4.5

Spring Cloud: 2024.0.1

3.2.1.2 user-config-server

Dependencies:

- spring-cloud-config-server
- spring-boot-starter-actuator

```
server:
  port: 9004

spring:
  application:
    name: user-config-server
  profiles:
    active: native

cloud:
    config:
    server:
       native:
        search-locations: file:../user-config-repo
    fail-fast: true
```

@EnableConfigServer

Add the following YAML files for the applications that want to externalize their configurations

- eureka-server.yml
- api-gateway.yml
- user-profile-svc.yml
- user-admin-svc.yml

3.2.1.3 user-eureka-server

Dependencies:

- · spring-cloud-starter-netflix-eureka-server
- · spring-cloud-starter-config
- · spring-boot-starter-actuator

```
server:
  port: 9761

spring:
  application:
    name: user-eureka-server
  config:
    import: configserver:http://localhost:9004

eureka:
  client:
    register-with-eureka: false
    fetch-registry: false
    service-url:
     defaultZone: http://localhost:9761/eureka/

server:
  enable-self-preservation: false
  enable-replication: false
```

@EnableEurekaServer

Note: The following configurations are MUST to avoid replication which cause issues:

```
eureka:
   client:
    service-url:
     defaultZone: http://localhost:9761/eureka/

server:
   enable-self-preservation: false
   enable-replication: false
```

Spring Cloud Eureka Server is a special case where most of its critical configuration must remain local, and cannot be externalized to the

Config Server, because:

- Startup Dependency Loop
 - The Eureka Server needs its config before it can connect to other services.
 - If you try to **externalize application.yml** to the config server, but the Eureka server itself hasn't started yet, it **cannot connect to the config server**.
 - This causes a bootstrap deadlock.
- · It's not a config client by default
 - Eureka Server serves the registry and is expected to be fully self-contained.

3.2.1.4 api-gateway

Dependencies:

- · spring-cloud-starter-gateway
- spring-boot-starter-oauth2-client
- · spring-boot-starter-security
- · spring-cloud-starter-config
- spring-cloud-starter-netflix-eureka-client
- · spring-boot-starter-actuator

```
server:
 port: 9001
spring:
  application:
   name: api-gateway
  config:
   import: configserver:http://localhost:9004
  cloud:
    gateway:
     routes:
       - id: user-profile
         uri: lb://user-profile-svc
          predicates:
            - Path=/api/profile/**
          filters:
            - TokenRelay
        - id: user-admin
          uri: lb://user-admin-svc
          predicates:
            - Path=/api/admin/**
         filters:
            - TokenRelay
  security:
   oauth2:
     client:
        registration:
          okta:
            client-id: 0oaooqy915xbkRCKT5d7
            client-secret: Ew-4IiHuFr6cgY1w3JhJ5PFWzvB-yZGx6xdD_y3rxhSWioOG-U_NGsCViCv1Axfe
            scope: openid, profile, email
            authorization-grant-type: authorization_code
            redirect-uri: "{baseUrl}/login/oauth2/code/okta"
        provider:
          okta:
            issuer-uri: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default
eureka:
  client:
    service-url:
      defaultZone: http://localhost:9761/eureka/
  instance:
    prefer-ip-address: true
    hostname: localhost
angular:
  redirect_url: http://localhost:4200
```

SecurityConfig.java

```
@Configuration
@EnableWebFluxSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {
    @Value( "${angular.redirect-url}")
    private String angularRedirectUrl; // This must be one of the
    public SecurityWebFilterChain springSecurityFilterChain(ServerHttpSecurity http,
                                                             ReactiveClientRegistrationRepository
clientRegistrationRepository) {
        return http
                .csrf(csrf -> csrf.disable())
                .authorizeExchange(authorize -> authorize
                                .pathMatchers("/actuator/**", "/public/**").permitAll()
                                .anyExchange().authenticated())
                .oauth2Login(login -> login
                                .authenticationSuccessHandler(redirectToAngular()))
                .logout(logout -> logout
                         . logout Success Handler (\verb|oidcLogoutSuccessHandler(clientRegistrationRepository))) \\
                .build(); // ☑ No more .oauth2Client()
    }
    private ServerLogoutSuccessHandler oidcLogoutSuccessHandler(
            ReactiveClientRegistrationRepository clientRegistrationRepository) {
        OidcClientInitiatedServerLogoutSuccessHandler handler =
                new OidcClientInitiatedServerLogoutSuccessHandler(clientRegistrationRepository);
        // Redirect back to Angular after logging out of Okta
        handler.setPostLogoutRedirectUri(String.valueOf(URI.create(angularRedirectUrl)));
        return handler;
    private ServerAuthenticationSuccessHandler redirectToAngular() {
        return new RedirectServerAuthenticationSuccessHandler(angularRedirectUrl);
}
```

Note: It turns out the **externalized configuration is not working** for api-gateway as well. Have to move all configurations to application.yml

With "issuer-uri: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default",

Spring will:

• Fetch public signing keys from OKTA:

https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default/v1/keys

- Use those to validate:
 - Signature
 - Expiry (exp)
 - Issuer (iss)
 - · Audience (aud) if configured

So if the token is invalid, the request is rejected with **401 Unauthorized before it hits your controller**.

3.2.1.5 user-profile-svc

Dependencies:

- · spring-boot-starter-web
- · spring-boot-starter-data-jpa
- spring-boot-starter-oauth2-resource-server
- spring-boot-starter-oauth2-client
- · spring-boot-starter-security
- · spring-cloud-starter-config
- · spring-cloud-starter-netflix-eureka-client
- · mysql-connector-j
- lombok

```
spring:
    application:
    name: user-profile-svc

config:
    import: configserver:http://localhost:9004

# See other configurations in user-config-repo/user-profile-svc.yml
```

MySQL:

```
CREATE DATABASE ssouser CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_bin;
CREATE USER 'ssouser'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'passw0rd';
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON ssouser.* TO 'ssouser'@'localhost';
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
```

3.2.1.6 user-admin-svc

Mostly same as user-profile-svc

3.2.1.7 Authentication Test

Go to http://localhost:9001/api/profile/me

Issue 1:

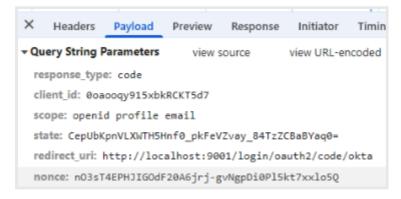
Expected: Redirect to OKTA login page

Actual:

http://localhost :9001/api/profil e/me 302. Location: /oauth2/authorization/okta

http://localhost :9001/oauth2/ authorization/o kta 302. Location: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default/v1/authorize?
response type=code&client id=0oaooqy915xbkRCKT5d7&scope=openid%20profile%20em
<a href="mailto:a

The above URL of the 302 location



400

Bad Request

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Your request resulted in an error. Policy evaluation failed for this request, please check the policy configurations.

Reason: caused by **missing or misconfigured access policy rules** on OKTA's **Authorization Server**, specifically for your OIDC Web App

Solution: Create an Access Policy + Rule

- Step 1: Go to Authorization Server Settings
 - 1. Open your OKTA Admin Console
 - 2. Go to:

Security → API → Authorization Servers

- 3. Click on the **default** authorization server
- Step 2: Create a New Access Policy
 - 1. Go to the Access Policies tab
 - 2. Click "Add Policy"
 - 3. Fill in:
 - Name: Allow Spring Boot Clients
 - Description: Policy to allow authorization code flow for api-gateway
 - Leave defaults for user matching
 - 4. Click "Create Policy"
- Step 3: Add a Rule to That Policy

After creating the policy:

- 1. Click "Add Rule"
- 2. Fill in:
 - Name: Allow code flow for gateway
 - IF Grant type is: ✓ Authorization Code, ✓ Refresh Token
 - IF User is: Any user
 - IF Client is:
 ✓ (select your app client api-gateway / client ID: 0oaooqy915xbkRCKT5d7)
- 3. Click Create Rule

Issue 2

Error: UnknownHostException for dxpsdesktop.mshome.net

Reason:

- · api-gateway cannot resolve the host name via DNS
- it relies on Eureka for routing (using lb://user-profile-svc), and the system fails because the actual network host is unknown or unreachable

Solution: Force Eureka to Register localhost or IP Instead

For user-profile-svc, user-admin-svc and api-gateway, add the following configuration:

```
eureka:
  instance:
    prefer-ip-address: true
    hostname: localhost
```

This tells Eureka to:

- · Register using your machine's IP address or localhost
- Avoid relying on system hostnames (like dxpsdesktop.mshome.net)

URL: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default/v1/authorize?

Issue 3

Error:

In

&redirect_uri=http://172.21.48.1:9002/login/oauth2/code/okta&nonce=HEqMZvTveDA0yLLvHmVeVKdF 0n0aRY ZC5jibYO H34 ☑

Response:

400 bad request Your request resulted in an error. The 'redirect_uri' parameter must be a Login redirect URI in the client app settings: https://dev-50623690-admin.okta.com/admin/app/oidc_client/instance/0oaooqy915xbkRCKT5d7#tab-general

Reason:

From OKTA's point of view:

 Your app sent this in the authorization request: redirect_uri=http://172.21.48.1:9002/login/oauth2/code/okta

But in your OKTA app settings, the allowed Sign-in redirect URI is:

- http://localhost:9001/login/oauth2/code/okta
- These do not match, and OKTA rejects the request.

Solution: Only let Gateway Handles Login

Remove any Spring Boot login configs from user-profile-svc and user-admin-svc, which is:

Issue 4:

Now, the log in page is displayed, but the URL is http://172.21.48.1:9002/login, 172.21.48.1 is my machine's IP address

Reason:

Spring Boot auto-configures security using default behavior because:

- You included spring-boot-starter-security
- But you didn't override or disable the default security configuration

When no explicit SecurityFilterChain bean is defined, Spring Security falls back to:

- · Securing all endpoints
- Showing a default login page at /login

Solution:

Add a **SecurityConfig** class in user-profile-svc / user-admin-svc to

- rely on the Gateway to enforce auth for request from UI
- permit all requests of "/public/**"
- · Other requests must be authenticated

add the Spring Security OAuth2 Resource Server dependency

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
  <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-oauth2-resource-server</artifactId>
  </dependency>
```

Also, Spring Security needs a **JwtDecoder bean. Below** let Spring Boot auto-configure JwtDecoder using the OKTA issuer URI

```
spring:
    security:
    oauth2:
    resourceserver:
    jwt:
    issuer-uri: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default
```

Recap What's Happening

Now that you've added in **SecurityConfig** in **user-profile-svc**:

```
.oauth2ResourceServer(oauth2 -> oauth2.jwt(Customizer.withDefaults()))
```

This tells Spring Security to validate incoming requests using JWT tokens, and it auto-wires the logic behind the scenes.

Spring Security expects to **decode JWT tokens** from incoming requests (relayed from your gateway).

To do this, it needs to know:

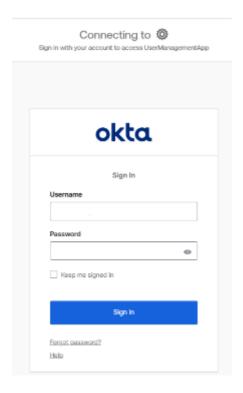
- Where to fetch the public keys (JWKS) from
- How to decode and validate the access token

By providing the issuer-uri, Spring Boot will:

- Auto-configure a JwtDecoder bean
- Download your OKTA public keys from:

https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default/v1/keys

Now access http://localhost:9001/api/profile/me, and the OKTA login page is displayed:



3.3 Course Management

3.3.1 Backend Implementation

3.3.1.1 Overview

3.3.1.1.1 Authentication & Authorization

- · OAuth2 login via OKTA is handled only by api-gateway
- Each backend service is:
 - Stateless
 - Secured via JWT (relayed by gateway using TokenRelay)
 - Uses spring-boot-starter-oauth2-resource-server for validating tokens
- Authorization is managed by application itself
- User roles (student, teacher, admin) are retrieved from the User Management Application's API

3.3.1.1.2 Components

Component	Port	Purpose
course-query-svc	9012	Read-only API for all roles
course-management-svc	9013	Admin/teacher APIs for course updates
course-application-svc	9014	Student course application + approval
config-server (shared) 9015		Centralized config
MySQL (shared) —		Stores course, enrollment, and application data

3.3.1.2 course-config-server

Dependencies:

- spring-cloud-config-server
- spring-boot-starter-actuator

```
server:
  port: 9015

spring:
  application:
    name: course-config-server
  profiles:
    active: native

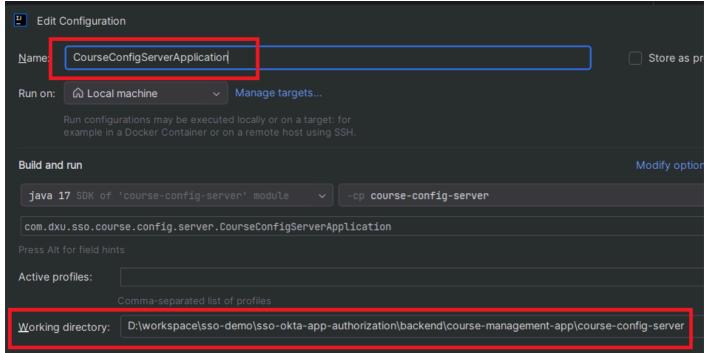
cloud:
    config:
    server:
       native:
        search-locations: file:../course-config-repo
    fail-fast: true
```

@EnableConfigServer

Issue: Does not load configurations from folder "course-config-repo" **Reason**: IntelliJ defaults to the **working directory of the first module with a main() method**, or sometimes the directory containing the .iml file for that module.

Solution:

Explicitly set Working directory for course-config-server in Edit configuration in Intellij IDEA



3.3.1.3 course-cureka-server

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Removed since we use SINGLE eureka server to prevent complexity

3.3.1.4 course-gateway

Removed since we use SINGLE gateway to prevent complexity

3.3.1.5 course-query-svc

Dependencies:

- spring-boot-starter-web
- · spring-boot-starter-data-jpa
- spring-boot-starter-oauth2-resource-server
- spring-boot-starter-oauth2-client
- · spring-boot-starter-security
- · spring-cloud-starter-config
- spring-cloud-starter-netflix-eureka-client
- mysql-connector-j
- lombok

application.yml

```
spring:
    application:
    name: course-query-svc

config:
    import: configserver:http://localhost:9015

# See other configurations in course-config-repo/course-query-svc.yml
```

course-query-svc.yml

```
server:
  port: 9012
spring:
  config:
   activate:
     on-profile: default
  security:
    oauth2:
      resourceserver:
        jwt:
          issuer-uri: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default
  datasource:
    url: jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/ssocourse
   username: ssocourse
    password: passw0rd
  jpa:
   hibernate:
     ddl-auto: update
   show-sql: true
eureka:
  client:
    service-url:
      defaultZone: http://localhost:9761/eureka/
  instance:
    prefer-ip-address: true
   hostname: localhost
# URL of User Profile API in User Management App
user-profile:
  url: http://localhost:9002/api/profile/me
```

As per best practice, the **communication between backend** microservices **should not via gateway**, so the CourseController is calling ProfileController directly (9002).

To protect these direct API calls, update "anyRequest().permitAII()" the SecurityConfig of user-profile-svc which is the application of the called API as below:

MySQL:

```
CREATE DATABASE ssocourse CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_bin;
CREATE USER 'ssocourse'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'passw0rd';
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON ssocourse.* TO 'ssocourse'@'localhost';
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
```

3.3.1.6 course-management-svc

Mostly same as course-query-svc

3.3.1.7 course-application-svc

3.3.1.7.1 Database

```
CREATE DATABASE ssocourseapp CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_bin;
CREATE USER 'ssocourseapp'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'passw0rd';
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON ssocourseapp.* TO 'ssocourseapp'@'localhost';
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
```

3.3.1.7.2 Reactive

Tried to change to fully reactive solution, but not successful. Stashed the code to branch **stashed/reactive-impl-notwork**

3.3.1.7.3 Kafka Event - Create **course-enrollment** when **course-application** get approved

Step-by-Step Plan

- In course-application-svc:
 - Define CourseApplicationApprovedEvent
 - · Configure Kafka producer
 - · Publish the event after approval
- In course-management-svc:
 - · Configure Kafka consumer
 - · Handle the event to insert a new record into the course enrollment table

Step 1: Add Kafka Dependencies

In both services (course-application-svc and course-management-svc):

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.springframework.kafka</groupId>
  <artifactId>spring-kafka</artifactId>
</dependency>
```

Step 2: Define the Kafka Event Payload

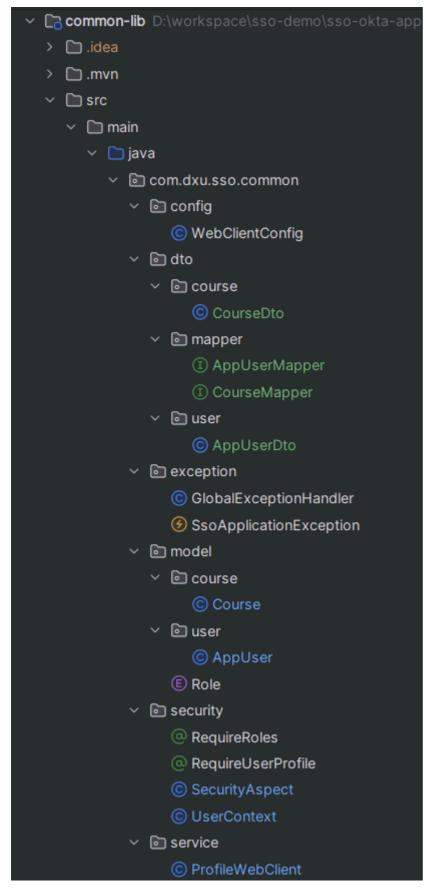
In common-lib

3.4 Shared Library common-lib

3.4.1 Overview

For reusability and preventing duplicate code, move shared code to a shared module that can be reused by both the Course Management and User Management applications.

3.4.2. Implementation



- **WebClientConfig**: Create WebClient.builder that is shared by applications to do the **inter-application** communication
- GlobalExceptionHandler: The global exception handler
- dto: Shared DTOs, mapper, etc
- · model: Shared entity

- security: Annotations for custom authentication/authorization shared by all applications
- **ProfileWebClient**: Shared service that contains shared operations such as fetch profile information from /api/profile/me in user-profile-svc

3.4.2.1 WebClientConfig

The consuming application use @Qualifier("commonWebClientBuilder") to distinguish with other WebClient (if exists)

```
@Bean
@Qualifier("commonWebClientBuilder")
public WebClient.Builder commonWebClientBuilder() {
    return WebClient.builder();
}
```

3.4.2.2 ProfileWebClient

Service of handling operations shared by applications.

Note: Need to set Authorization header with bearer token

```
public AppUserDto getUserProfile() {
       log.info("Fetching user profile");
       // Return cached user if already fetched
       if (userContext.getAppUser() != null) {
           return userContext.getAppUser();
       String authHeader = getAuthHeader();
       if (authHeader == null || !authHeader.startsWith("Bearer ")) return null;
       AppUserDto user = webClientBuilder.build()
                .get()
                .uri(userProfileUrl)
               .header(HttpHeaders.AUTHORIZATION, authHeader)
                .retrieve()
                .onStatus(HttpStatusCode::is4xxClientError, response -> Mono.empty())
                .bodyToMono(AppUserDto.class)
                .block();
       userContext.setAppUser(user); // ✓ cache it
       return user;
   private static String getAuthHeader() {
       ServletRequestAttributes attrs = (ServletRequestAttributes)
RequestContextHolder.getRequestAttributes();
       if (attrs == null) return null;
       return attrs.getRequest().getHeader(HttpHeaders.AUTHORIZATION);
```

Optimization - Cache the AppUser object per request using Spring's @RequestScope, to avoid multiple calls to /api/profile/me in the same request

```
@RequestScope
@Component
@Getter
@Setter
public class UserContext {
    private AppUserDto appUser;
@Service
public class ProfileWebClient {
    public AppUserDto getUserProfile() {
        log.info("Fetching user profile");
        // Return cached user if already fetched
        if (userContext.getAppUser() != null) {
            return userContext.getAppUser();
        AppUserDto user = ...;
        userContext.setAppUser(user); // \( \square\) cache it
        return user;
```

2.3 Models

Shared JPA entities.

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Do not share entities across services unless they use the same schema.

Misusing might cause the same entity creates DB table in multiple databases (schemas)

In our case, we have the following entities created in common-lib:

- com.dxu.sso.common.model.user.AppUser
- com.dxu.sso.common.model.course.Course
- com.dxu.sso.common.model.course.CourseEnrollment

We create them in different packages, then we can scan them separately in necessary microservices

3.4.2.4 DTOs

Shared DTOs, mappers, etc.

3.4.2.5 Security

3.4.2.5.1 Anotation

- @RequireRoles: Ensures the user has one of the specified roles based on their profile from /api/profile/me. If not, throws a 403 ApplicationException
- @RequireUserProfile: Ensures the user is registered in the User Management application. If the profile is not found, throws a 403 ApplicationException

```
@Aspect
@Component
@RequiredArgsConstructor
public class SecurityAspect {
    private final ProfileWebClient profileWebClient;
    @Around("@annotation(requireUserProfile)")
    public Object checkUserProfile(ProceedingJoinPoint joinPoint, RequireUserProfile
requireUserProfile)
            throws Throwable {
        AppUserDto user = profileWebClient.getUserProfile();
        if (user == null) {
            throw new SsoApplicationException(HttpStatus.FORBIDDEN.value(), "User profile not
found");
        return joinPoint.proceed();
    }
    @Around("@annotation(requireRoles)")
    public Object checkUserRole(ProceedingJoinPoint joinPoint, RequireRoles requireRoles) throws
Throwable {
        AppUserDto user = profileWebClient.getUserProfile();
        if (user == null) {
            throw new SsoApplicationException(HttpStatus.FORBIDDEN.value(), "User profile not
found");
        }
        List<String> allowedRoles = Arrays.asList(requireRoles.value());
        if (!allowedRoles.contains(user.getRole())) {
            throw new SsoApplicationException(HttpStatus.FORBIDDEN.value(), "User role not
permitted");
        return joinPoint.proceed();
    }
}
```

3.4.2.6 Exception Handling

• SsoApplicationException: The global exception handler shared by applications

Note: SsoApplicationException MUST extends RuntimeException.

Spring AOP uses **dynamic proxies** by default (JDK proxies or CGLIB), and **unchecked exceptions** (like RuntimeException) are passed through, but **checked exceptions** (or any **custom exception that isn't declared) get wrapped** in UndeclaredThrowableException.This tells Spring AOP and Java proxying:

"This is an unchecked exception, don't wrap it — just let it bubble."

```
@Getter
public class SsoApplicationException extends RuntimeException {
    private final int statusCode;

    public SsoApplicationException(int statusCode, String message) {
        super(message);
        this.statusCode = statusCode;
    }
}
```

```
@S1f4j
@AllArgsConstructor
@ControllerAdvice
public class GlobalExceptionHandler extends ResponseEntityExceptionHandler {
           @ExceptionHandler(SsoApplicationException.class)
           public ResponseEntity<?> handleApplicationException(SsoApplicationException ex) {
                      log.error("GlobalExceptionHandler: ", ex);
                      return ResponseEntity
                                             .status(ex.getStatusCode())
                                             .body(new ErrorResponse(ex.getStatusCode(), ex.getMessage()));
           }
           @ExceptionHandler({ Exception.class })
           @ResponseBody
           @ResponseStatus(HttpStatus.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR)
           public ResponseEntity<?> handleGenericException(Exception ex, WebRequest req) {
                      log.error("Exception: ", ex);
                      return ResponseEntity
                                             .status(HttpStatus.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR)
                                             .body(new ErrorResponse(HttpStatus.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR.value(), ex.getMessage()));
           }
           @Override
           \textbf{protected} \ \ Response Entity < Object > \ \textbf{handle} \\ \textbf{MethodArgumentNotValid} \\ (MethodArgumentNotValidException) \\ \textbf{MethodArgumentNotValidException} 
ex,
                                                                                                                                                                                         HttpHeaders headers,
                                                                                                                                                                                         HttpStatusCode status,
                                                                                                                                                                                         WebRequest request) {
                      Map<String, String> errors = new HashMap<>();
                      ex.getBindingResult().getAllErrors().forEach((error) -> {
                                 String fieldName = ((FieldError) error).getField();
                                 String errorMessage = error.getDefaultMessage();
                                 errors.put(fieldName, errorMessage);
                      });
                      return ResponseEntity.status(HttpStatus.BAD_REQUEST).body(errors);
           record ErrorResponse(int statusCode, String message) {}
}
```

3.4.2.7 Troubleshooting

3.4.2.7.1 Unable to find main class on "mvn clean install"

Reason: common-lib is a shared library, it does not need a main() class, and it should not be packaged as a Spring Boot executable JAR.
Solution: Remove the Spring Boot plugin:

3.4.3. Use common-lib in Microservices

3.4.3.1 How to Use common-lib in Your Microservices

· Add common-lib dependency in each microservice

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>com.dxu.sso.common.lib</groupId>
    <artifactId>common-lib</artifactId>
    <version>0.0.1-SNAPSHOT</version>
</dependency>
```

· Enable AOP in each microservice

```
@SpringBootApplication
@EnableAspectJAutoProxy
public class CourseManagementServiceApplication {
    ...
}
```

3.4.3.2 Troubleshooting During Implementation

3.4.3.2.1 Could not autowire. No beans of 'ProfileWebClient

• Reason: Spring doesn't automatically scan components (@Service, @Component, etc.) in external libraries

Solution

Explicit @ComponentScan in the consuming applicatio

3.4.3.2.2 IllegalArgumentException - Not a managed type: class com.dxu.sso.common.model.Course

• Reason: Spring Data JPA only scans and registers entities (@Entity) that are located in the current application's @EntityScan base packages

Solution

Explicit @EntityScan in the consuming applicatio

3.4.3.2.3 Sopped Loading Configurations from course-config-server

• Reason: Did not delete application.properties of common-lib which interferes with the actual microservice's identity during startup. This confuses the config client, which tries to fetch configuration for the wrong service name.

Solution

Delete application.properties for common-lib, or remove property spring.application.name in it

3.4.3.2.4 Aspect is not triggered

The following aspect is not triggered:

```
@RequireUserProfile
@GetMapping
public ResponseEntity<List<Course>> findCourses(@AuthenticationPrincipal Jwt jwt) { ... }
```

• Reason: The method is in a @RestController, not a @Service

Spring AOP by default only proxies **Spring beans**, and only if:

- The bean is injected through Spring
- The call is made through the proxy (i.e. external call, not self-call)
- · The aspect is set up correctly

Solution

Enable proxyTargetClass mode

```
@SpringBootApplication
@EnableAspectJAutoProxy(proxyTargetClass = true)
@EntityScan(basePackages = {
        "com.dxu.sso.common.model.course", // include shared Course entity
        "com.dxu.sso.course.query.model" // if you have your own entities
})
@ComponentScan(basePackages = {
        "com.dxu.sso.course.query",
        "com.dxu.sso.course.query",
        "com.dxu.sso.common" // shared Library "common-Lib"
})
public class CourseQuerySvcApplication {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        SpringApplication.run(CourseQuerySvcApplication.class, args);
    }
}
```

3.4.3.2.5 JPA N+1 query problem

- For the following entities definitions, there is JPA N+1 query problem because, by default, JPA lazily loads the collection, resulting in:
 - 1 query to fetch all courses
 - 1 separate query per course to fetch enrolledStudentIds from course_enrollment

```
@Entity
@Data
@NoArgsConstructor
@AllArgsConstructor
@Builder
@Table(name = "course", schema = "ssocourse", uniqueConstraints = {
        @UniqueConstraint(columnNames = "name")
})
public class Course {
    @GeneratedValue(strategy = GenerationType.IDENTITY)
   private Long id;
    private String name;
    private String description;
   private LocalDate startDate;
    private LocalDate endDate;
   @JoinColumn(name = "teacher id")
    private Long teacherId; // FK reference to AppUser.id (role=TEACHER)
   @ElementCollection
   @CollectionTable(name = "course_enrollment", schema = "ssocourse", joinColumns = @JoinColumn(name =
"course_id"))
   @Column(name = "student_id")
   private List<Long> enrolledStudentIds = new ArrayList<>();
}
@Data
@NoArgsConstructor
@AllArgsConstructor
@Builder
@Entity
@Table(name = "course_enrollment", schema = "ssocourse")
public class CourseEnrollment {
   @EmbeddedId
   private CourseEnrollmentId id;
   @Column(name = "created_at")
   private LocalDateTime createdAt = LocalDateTime.now();
}
@Embeddable
public class CourseEnrollmentId implements Serializable {
    @Column(name = "course_id")
    private Long courseId;
   @Column(name = "student_id")
   private Long studentId;
}
```

Solution:

Replace @ElementCollection with an explicit @OneToMany relationship in Course.java

```
@OneToMany(mappedBy = "course", cascade = CascadeType.ALL, orphanRemoval = true)
private List<CourseEnrollment> enrollments = new ArrayList<>();
```

Updated CourseEnrollment.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "course_enrollment", schema = "ssocourse")
public class CourseEnrollment {

    @EmbeddedId
    private CourseEnrollmentId id;

    @ManyToOne(fetch = FetchType.LAZY)
    @MapsId("courseId") // Maps to embedded ID field
    @JoinColumn(name = "course_id")
    private Course course;

@Column(name = "created_at")
    private LocalDateTime createdAt = LocalDateTime.now();

public Long getStudentId() {
        return id != null ? id.getStudentId() : null;
    }
}
```

Add findAllWithEnrollments query in the CourseRepository:

```
@Repository
public interface CourseRepository extends JpaRepository<Course, Long> {
    @Query("SELECT c FROM Course c LEFT JOIN FETCH c.enrollments")
    List<Course> findAllWithEnrollments();
}
```

Revise CourseService.updateCourse()

```
public CourseDetailsDto updateCourse(Long id, CourseSaveRequest request) {
       Course course = courseRepository.findById(id)
                .orElseThrow(() -> new SsoApplicationException(HttpStatus.BAD_REQUEST.value(), "Course not
found"));
       course.setName(request.getName());
       course.setDescription(request.getDescription());
       course.setStartDate(request.getStartDate());
       course.setEndDate(request.getEndDate());
       course.setTeacherId(request.getTeacherId());
       // 🎋 Rebuild enrollment list
       List<CourseEnrollment> newEnrollments = request.getEnrolledStudentIds() != null
                ? request.getEnrolledStudentIds().stream()
                .map(studentId -> CourseEnrollment.builder()
                        .id(new CourseEnrollmentId(course.getId(), studentId))
                        .course(course)
                        .build())
                .toList()
                : new ArrayList<>();
       // 🛕 Clear and replace enrollments
       course.getEnrollments().clear();
       course.getEnrollments().addAll(newEnrollments);
       Course updated = courseRepository.save(course);
       return getCourseDetails(updated);
   }
```

3.4.4. Best Practices for Shared Libraries like common-lib

- X Do not include application.properties or application.yml in common-lib
 - Even empty files can override parent config
- Move all configuration to the microservices or external config repo
- Use @Value, @ConfigurationProperties, or @EnableConfigurationProperties in common-lib to read properties **but define the values externally** (in the consuming service)
- X Do not share entities across services unless they use the same schema.

3.5 Kafka Integration

3.5.1 Overview

To support decoupled communication between services and ensure eventual consistency, we integrate Apache Kafka into our course management system for two key scenarios:

First, when a course application is approved in course-application-svc, a **CourseApplicationApprovedEvent** is published to Kafka.

• This event is consumed by course-management-svc to automatically create a course enrollment record, avoiding direct service-to-service calls.

Second, implement a **Saga pattern** using Kafka to coordinate the **deletion of a student** across multiple microservices.

 This involves publishing and handling a series of events to update the app_user, course_enrollment, and course_application tables. If any step in the sequence fails, compensating actions are triggered to roll back changes, ensuring system-wide data consistency.

3.5.2 Integration Implementation

3.5.2.1 Set Up Kafka

See Introduction to Kafka with Spring Boot

3.5.2.2 Integrate Kafka

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In the following configuration for Kafka, it is using the IP address of your WSL instance instead of "localhost", because the Kafka is installed under WSL2 which needs special handling. See Introduction to Kafka with Spring Boot Type your warning message here.

3.5.2.2.1 Event on Course Application Approval

Use case

- course-application-svc (Producer)
 - When a student's course application is approved
 - Creates and sends a CourseApplicationApprovedEvent to topic course-application-approved

2. Kafka (Message Broker)

- Stores the event in a topic named course-application-approved
- · Keeps it until it's consumed (and optionally even after)

3. course-management-svc (Consumer)

- Listens to that topic
- · When it sees a new approved application, it inserts a record into course enrollment

- This decouples the two services:
 - · They don't need to call each other directly
 - · If one is down, the event is still stored and processed later

Implementation

Step 1: Add Kafka Dependencies

In both services (course-application-svc and course-management-svc):

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.springframework.kafka</groupId>
  <artifactId>spring-kafka</artifactId>
  </dependency>
```

Step 2: Define the Kafka Event Payload

In common-lib

```
@Data
@NoArgsConstructor
@AllArgsConstructor
@Builder
public class CourseApplicationApprovedEvent {
    private Long courseId;
    private Long studentId;
    private LocalDateTime approvedAt;
}
```

☑ Step 3: Kafka Producer in course-application-svc

course-application-svc.yml: with retry configurations

```
kafka:
  bootstrap-servers: localhost:9092
producer:
  key-serializer: org.apache.kafka.common.serialization.StringSerializer
  value-serializer: org.springframework.kafka.support.serializer.JsonSerializer
  retries: 3
  retry-backoff-ms: 1000
```

KafkaProducerService.java

```
public class KafkaProducerService {
    private final KafkaTemplate<String, CourseApplicationApprovedEvent> kafkaTemplate;

    private static final String TOPIC = "course-application-approved";

    public void sendApplicationApprovedEvent(CourseApplicationApprovedEvent event) {
        log.info("send application approved event. course: {} student: {}", event.getCourseId(), event.getStudentId());
        kafkaTemplate.send(TOPIC, event);
    }
}
```

Register KafkaTemplate Bean

Step 4: Emit Event on Approval

Update CourseApplicationService in decide() method

Step 5: Kafka Consumer in course-management-svc

course-management-svc.yml

```
kafka:
  bootstrap-servers: localhost:9092
  consumer:
    group-id: course-management-group
    key-deserializer: org.apache.kafka.common.serialization.StringDeserializer
    value-deserializer: org.springframework.kafka.support.serializer.JsonDeserializer
    properties:
        spring.json.trusted.packages: "*"
listener:
    missing-topics-fatal: false
```

KafkaConsumerService.java

```
@Component
@RequiredArgsConstructor
public class KafkaConsumerService {

    private final CourseEnrollmentService enrollmentService;

    @KafkaListener(topics = "course-application-approved", groupId = "course-management-group")
    public void consumeApplicationApproved(CourseApplicationApprovedEvent event) {
        enrollmentService.enrollStudent(event.getCourseId(), event.getStudentId());
    }
}
```

Step 6: CourseEnrollmentService in course-management-svc

Please note it has to set "course" for CourseEnrollment. Here we use courseRepository.getReferenceByld(courseId)

```
public class CourseEnrollmentService {
    private final CourseRepository courseRepository;
    private final CourseEnrollmentRepository courseEnrollmentRepository;
    @Transactional
    public void enrollStudent(Long courseId, Long studentId) {
        log.info("enroll student {} to course {}", studentId, courseId);
        // Do nothing if the course enrollment exists
        CourseEnrollmentId enrollmentId = new CourseEnrollmentId(courseId, studentId);
        boolean alreadyEnrolled = courseEnrollmentRepository.existsById(enrollmentId);
        if (alreadyEnrolled) {
           log.info("Student {} already enrolled in course {}", studentId, courseId);
        }
        Course courseRef = courseRepository.getReferenceById(courseId);
        // Create course enrollment
        CourseEnrollment enrollment = CourseEnrollment.builder()
                .id(new CourseEnrollmentId(courseId, studentId))
                .course(courseRef)
                .createdAt(LocalDateTime.now())
                .build();
        courseEnrollmentRepository.save(enrollment);
   }
}
```

Step 7: Kafka Listener Retry with Exponential Backoff

Spring Kafka supports retry with exponential backoff via @KafkaListener and a DefaultErrorHandler

course-management-svc.yml

```
@Configuration
public class KafkaConsumerConfig {
    private final KafkaRetryProperties retryProperties;
    @Bean
    public DefaultErrorHandler errorHandler() {
        // Backoff with initial delay 1s, multiplier 2x, max delay 10s, max attempts 3
        ExponentialBackOffWithMaxRetries backoff =
                new ExponentialBackOffWithMaxRetries(retryProperties.getMaxAttempts());
        backoff.setInitialInterval(retryProperties.getInitialDelay());
        backoff.setMultiplier(retryProperties.getMultiplier());
        backoff.setMaxInterval(retryProperties.getMaxDelay());
       DefaultErrorHandler errorHandler = new DefaultErrorHandler(backoff);
        // Log the exception
        errorHandler.setRetryListeners((record, ex, deliveryAttempt) -> {
            log.warn("X Retry {} for record: {}", deliveryAttempt, record, ex);
        });
        return errorHandler;
    }
     * registers a custom Kafka listener container factory that tells Spring Kafka to:
     * - Use your consumerFactory to build consumers
     * - Use your DefaultErrorHandler (with retries + DLT logic)
    */
    @Bean
    public ConcurrentKafkaListenerContainerFactory<?, ?> kafkaListenerContainerFactory(
           ConsumerFactory<Object, Object> consumerFactory,
           DefaultErrorHandler errorHandler) {
        ConcurrentKafkaListenerContainerFactory<Object, Object> factory =
                new ConcurrentKafkaListenerContainerFactory<>();
        factory.setConsumerFactory(consumerFactory);
       factory.setCommonErrorHandler(errorHandler);
        return factory;
    }
}
```

Step 8: Add a Dead Letter Topic (DLT) for messages that fail even after all retries

✓ 1. common-lib: Define Event Classes (shared module)

CourseApplicationApprovedEvent.java (Existing)

CourseApplicationApprovedDLTMessage.java

```
@Data
@NoArgsConstructor
@AllArgsConstructor
@Builder
public class CourseApplicationApprovedDLTMessage {
    private CourseApplicationApprovedEvent originalEvent;
    private String errorMessage;
    private String stackTrace;
}
```

2. Producer Side: course-application-svc

Update KafkaProducerService.java: Add "key" parameter for method "send" call

3. Consumer Side: course-management-svc

Add below to course-management-svc.yml

```
listener:
    missing-topics-fatal: false
# This prevents the consumer app from crashing on startup if a Kafka topic doesn't exist yet (e.g., in local/dev environments).
#It allows Spring Boot to continue running while Kafka topics get created dynamically or manually later.
```

Update above KafkaConfig.java

```
@S1f4j
@RequiredArgsConstructor
@Configuration
public class KafkaConfig {
    private final KafkaRetryProperties retryProperties;
    public DefaultErrorHandler errorHandler(
            @Qualifier("dltKafkaTemplate") KafkaTemplate<String, CourseApplicationApprovedDLTMessage>
dltKafkaTemplate) {
        // Backoff with initial delay 1s, multiplier 2x, max delay 10s, max attempts 3
        ExponentialBackOffWithMaxRetries backoff = new
ExponentialBackOffWithMaxRetries(retryProperties.getMaxAttempts());
        backoff.setInitialInterval(retryProperties.getInitialDelay());
        backoff.setMultiplier(retryProperties.getMultiplier());
        backoff.setMaxInterval(retryProperties.getMaxDelay());
        return new DefaultErrorHandler((record, exception) -> {
            log.error(" Sending to DLT: {}", exception.getMessage());
            Object value = record.value();
            if (value instanceof CourseApplicationApprovedEvent originalEvent) {
                CourseApplicationApprovedDLTMessage dltMessage =
CourseApplicationApprovedDLTMessage.builder()
                        .originalEvent(originalEvent)
                        .errorMessage(exception.getMessage())
                        .stackTrace(Arrays.toString(exception.getStackTrace()))
                        .build();
                dltKafkaTemplate.send("course-application-approved-dlt", (String)record.key(),
dltMessage);
            } else {
                log.warn(" __ Unrecognized message. Skipping DLT fallback.");
        }, backoff);
    }
     * registers a custom Kafka listener container factory that tells Spring Kafka to:
       - Use your consumerFactory to build consumers
     * - Use your DefaultErrorHandler (with retries + DLT logic)
     */
    @Bean
    public ConcurrentKafkaListenerContainerFactory(?, ?> kafkaListenerContainerFactory(
           ConsumerFactory<Object, Object> consumerFactory,
           DefaultErrorHandler errorHandler) {
        ConcurrentKafkaListenerContainerFactory<Object, Object> factory =
                new ConcurrentKafkaListenerContainerFactory<>();
        factory.setConsumerFactory(consumerFactory);
        factory.setCommonErrorHandler(errorHandler);
        return factory;
    // 🗹 Producer Factory for DLT messages
    public ProducerFactory<String, CourseApplicationApprovedDLTMessage> dltProducerFactory(
           @Value("${spring.kafka.bootstrap-servers}") String bootstrapServers) {
        Map<String, Object> configProps = new HashMap<>();
        configDrone nut/DroducerConfig ROOTSTRAD SERVERS CONETG hootstranServers)
```

```
configProps.put(ProducerConfig.KEY_SERIALIZER_CLASS_CONFIG, StringSerializer.class);
        configProps.put(ProducerConfig.VALUE_SERIALIZER_CLASS_CONFIG, JsonSerializer.class);
        return new DefaultKafkaProducerFactory<>(configProps);
    // 🗹 Producer Factory for generic Object messages
    @Bean
    public ProducerFactory<String, Object> producerFactory(
             @Value("${spring.kafka.bootstrap-servers}") String bootstrapServers) {
        Map<String, Object> configProps = new HashMap<>();
        configProps.put(ProducerConfig.BOOTSTRAP_SERVERS_CONFIG, bootstrapServers);
        configProps.put(ProducerConfig.KEY_SERIALIZER_CLASS_CONFIG, StringSerializer.class);
        configProps.put (ProducerConfig.VALUE\_SERIALIZER\_CLASS\_CONFIG, JsonSerializer.class); \\
        return new DefaultKafkaProducerFactory<>(configProps);
     * Shared KafkaTemplate for sending normal messages
    @Bean
    public KafkaTemplate<String, Object> kafkaTemplate(
             ProducerFactory<String, Object> factory) {
        return new KafkaTemplate<>(factory);
    }
     * Dedicated KafkaTemplate for sending DLT messages
    @Bean
    \textbf{public} \ \ \textbf{KafkaTemplate} < \textbf{String}, \ \ \textbf{CourseApplicationApprovedDLTMessage} > \ \textbf{dltKafkaTemplate} (
             ProducerFactory < String, \ Course Application Approved DLT Message > \ dlt ProducerFactory) \ \{ \ ( \ \ \ ) \ \ ( \ \ \ ) \ \ \}
        return new KafkaTemplate<>(dltProducerFactory);
    }
}
```

Add/Update Kafka Listeners in KafkaConsumerService

```
@Slf4j
@Component
@RequiredArgsConstructor
public class KafkaConsumerService {
    private final CourseEnrollmentService enrollmentService;
     * containerFactory = "kafkalistenerContainerFactory" annotation tells Spring explicitly to use the
factory we
     * just defined (kafkaListenerContainerFactory) in KafkaConsumerConfig instead of the default one.
     * It ensures that the consumer uses:
     * - Your retry/backoff configuration
     * - The DLT error handler
     */
    @KafkaListener(
            topics = "course-application-approved",
            groupId = "course-management-group",
            containerFactory = "kafkaListenerContainerFactory"
    \textbf{public void consumeApplicationApproved} (\texttt{CourseApplicationApprovedEvent event}) \ \{
            log.info("consume application approved event: course: {} student: {}", event.getCourseId(),
event.getStudentId());
            enrollmentService.enrollStudent(event.getCourseId(), event.getStudentId());
    @KafkaListener(topics = "course-application-approved-dlt", groupId = "dlt-monitor-group")
    public void handleDLT(CourseApplicationApprovedDLTMessage dltMessage) {
        log.error(" DLT message received: {}\nError: {}\nStack Trace:\n{}",
                dltMessage.getOriginalEvent(),
                dltMessage.getErrorMessage(),
                dltMessage.getStackTrace());
}
```

3.5.2.2.2 Implement Saga Pattern

4. Front End Implementation

4.1 Single Frontend Application

4.2 Separate 2 Front End Applications

4.1 Single Frontend Application

4.1.1 Create Angular Application course-app

4.1.1.1 Create Angular 19 App and Install Dependencies

```
npm install @angular/cli@19.0.1

ng new course-app --standalone --routing --style=scss

npm install @angular/material @angular/cdk bootstrap
```

angular.json

```
"styles": [
   "node_modules/bootstrap/dist/css/bootstrap.min.css",
   "node_modules/@angular/material/prebuilt-themes/indigo-pink.css",
   "src/styles.scss"
]
```

main.ts

```
import { bootstrapApplication } from '@angular/platform-browser';
import { appConfig } from './app/app.config';
import { AppComponent } from './app/app.component';

bootstrapApplication(AppComponent, appConfig)
    .catch((err) => console.error(err));
```

app.config.ts

```
import { ApplicationConfig, importProvidersFrom, provideZoneChangeDetection } from '@angular/core';
import { provideRouter } from '@angular/router';
import { HTTP_INTERCEPTORS, provideHttpClient, withInterceptorsFromDi } from '@angular/common/http';
import { BrowserAnimationsModule, provideAnimations } from '@angular/platform-browser/animations';
import { MatSnackBarModule } from '@angular/material/snack-bar';
import { routes } from './app.routes';
import { AppInterceptor } from './shared/core/app.interceptor';
import { DateFormatProvider } from './shared/core/date-format.provider';
import { MatNativeDateModule } from '@angular/material/core';
export const appConfig: ApplicationConfig = {
 providers: [
    provideZoneChangeDetection({ eventCoalescing: true }),
   provideHttpClient(withInterceptorsFromDi()), // 🗾 This fixes HttpClient injection
   provideRouter(routes),
     provide: HTTP_INTERCEPTORS,
     useClass: AppInterceptor,
     multi: true
   importProvidersFrom(
     BrowserAnimationsModule,
     MatSnackBarModule
   provideRouter(routes),
    provideAnimations(),
   importProvidersFrom(MatNativeDateModule),
                                                // For Date format
   DateFormatProvider // For Date format
 ],
};
```

4.1.1.2 Initialize Components

```
ng generate component layout/header --standalone
ng generate component dashboard --standalone
ng generate component user/user-profile --standalone
ng generate component user/user-list --standalone
ng generate component course/course-list --standalone
ng generate component course/course-details --standalone
```

app.routes.ts

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4.1.1.3 Implement Others

header.component

export const LOGIN URL = `\${environment.userBackendHost}/oauth2/authorization/user-app`;

```
export class HeaderComponent {

logoutUrl: string = `${environment.userBackendHost}/logout`

constructor(private authService: AuthService) {}

isAuthenticated() {
    return !!this.authService.profile;
}

isAdmin() {
    return this.authService.profile?.role === Role.ADMIN;
}

login(): void {
    window.location.href = LOGIN_URL;
}

logout(): void {
    const form = document.getElementById('logoutForm') as HTMLFormElement;
    form?.submit(); // Spring handLes the Logout, redirect, and session invalidation
}
}
```

```
<nav class="navbar navbar-expand-lg navbar-dark bg-primary">
 <div class="container-fluid">
   <a class="navbar-brand" routerLink="/">Course Management</a>
   <div class="d-flex ms-auto" *ngIf="isAuthenticated(); else guest">
     <a class="btn btn-light btn-sm me-2" routerLink="/profile">My Profile</a>
     <!-- Role-based options (ADMIN / TEACHER / STUDENT) -->
     <a class="btn btn-warning btn-sm me-2" *ngIf="isAdmin()" routerLink="/admin/users">Admin/a>
     <a class="btn btn-light btn-sm me-2" routerLink="/courses">Courses</a>
     <!-- 🖊 Logout button -->
     <button class="btn btn-outline-light btn-sm" (click)="logout()">Logout</button>
     <!-- 🗹 Hidden Logout form -->
     <form id="logoutForm" method="POST" action="{{logoutUrl}}" style="display: none;"></form>
   </div>
   <ng-template #guest>
     <button class="btn btn-outline-light btn-sm" (click)="login()">Login/button>
   </ng-template>
 </div>
</nav>
```

profile.service.ts

```
getProfile(): Observable<any> {
    return this.http.get<any>(URL_PROFILE, { withCredentials: true });
}

createProfile(): Observable<any> {
    return this.http.post<any>(URL_PROFILE, null, { withCredentials: true });
}

updateProfile(user: UserForm): Observable<any> {
    return this.http.put<UserForm>(URL_PROFILE, user, { withCredentials: true });
}
```

auth.service.ts

```
export class AuthService {
 private authenticated = new BehaviorSubject<boolean>(false);
 public isAuthenticated$ = this.authenticated.asObservable();
 private _profile: any = null;
 public get profile() {
   return this._profile;
 constructor(private profileService: ProfileService, private router: Router) {
 checkAuthentication(): void {
   this.profileService.getProfile().subscribe({
     next: (user) => {
        this._profile = user;
       this.authenticated.next(true);
     },
     error: (error: HttpErrorResponse) => {
        if (error.status === 404) {
          // Profile not found → try creating it
          this.profileService.createProfile().subscribe({
           next: (createdUser) => {
              this._profile = createdUser;
              this.authenticated.next(true);
             this.router.navigate(['/']); // redirect to home after profile creation
           },
           error: (err) => {
             this._profile = null;
              this.authenticated.next(false);
              console.error('X Failed to create profile', err);
              this.router.navigate(['/']); // still redirect to home
           }
         });
        } else {
          this._profile = null;
          this.authenticated.next(false);
          console.error('X Failed to load profile', error);
       }
     }
   });
 }
}
```

auth.guard.ts

```
export const AuthGuard: CanActivateFn = () => {
  const authService = inject(AuthService);

  return authService.isAuthenticated$.pipe(
    map(isAuth => {
      if (!isAuth) {
        window.location.href = LOGIN_URL;
        return false;
      }
      return true;
    })
}
```

role.guard.ts

```
export const RoleGurad: CanActivateFn = (route, state) => {
  const authService = inject(AuthService);
  const router = inject(Router);
  const snackBar = inject(MatSnackBar);
  const allowedRoles: string[] = route.data['roles'] || [];
  const userRole = authService.profile?.role;
  if (!userRole || !allowedRoles.includes(userRole)) {
   snackBar.open('\infty You are not authorized to access this page.', 'Dismiss', {
     duration: 5000,
     verticalPosition: 'top',
     panelClass: 'mat-mdc-snack-bar-warn'
   });
   router.navigate(['/']);
    return false;
  return true;
}
```

app.interceptor.ts

```
@Injectable()
export class AppInterceptor implements HttpInterceptor {
 private snackBar = inject(MatSnackBar);
 private router = inject(Router);
 return next.handle(req).pipe(
     catchError((error: HttpErrorResponse) => {
       if (error.status === 401) {
         // 🗹 This for logged in user who does not have profile
         this.snackBar.open(' ♦ You do not have profile on our site.', 'Dismiss', {
          duration: 5000,
          verticalPosition: 'top',
          panelClass: 'mat-mdc-snack-bar-warn'
         });
         // 🛮 No profile. Go to dashboard page
         this.router.navigate(['']);
       } else if (error.status === 403) {
         // 🗹 Not authorized — show snackbar
         this.snackBar.open('♥ You are not authorized to access this resource.', 'Dismiss', {
          duration: 5000,
          verticalPosition: 'top',
          panelClass: 'mat-mdc-snack-bar-warn'
         });
         // 🛮 No profile. Go to dashboard page
         this.router.navigate(['']);
       }
       return throwError(() => error);
     })
 }
}
```

user-profile.component (Shared by profile and admin)

```
export class UserProfileComponent implements OnInit, OnDestroy {
 private route = inject(ActivatedRoute);
 private router = inject(Router);
 private profileService = inject(ProfileService);
 private adminService = inject(UserAdminService);
 private notification = inject(NotificationService);
 private dateAdapter = inject(DateAdapter<Date>);
 private destroy$ = new Subject<void>();
 private profileData: any;
 userId?: number;
 isEditMode: boolean = false;
 form!: FormGroup;
 ngOnInit(): void {
    this.dateAdapter.setLocale('en-CA'); // ensures yyyy-MM-dd format
    this.userId = Number(this.route.snapshot.paramMap.get('id'));
   this.route.paramMap.subscribe(params => {
     const id = params.get('id');
     if (id) {
        // Fetch user's profile by admin
        this.loadUser(+id);
     } else {
       // Load self profile
       this.loadSelf();
     }
   });
 loadUser(id: number): void {
    this.adminService.getUserById(id)
      .pipe(takeUntil(this.destroy$))
      .subscribe({
        next: user => {
          this.profileData = user;
          this.form = new User(user).toForm();
       },
        error: () => {
         this.notification.error('Failed to load user information');
          this.router.navigate(['/admin/users']);
        }
      });
 }
 loadSelf(): void {
    this.profileService.getProfile()
      .pipe(takeUntil(this.destroy$))
      .subscribe({
        next: profile => {
          this.profileData = profile;
          this.form = new User(profile).toForm();
        },
        error: () => {
          this.notification.error('Failed to load profile');
          this.router.navigate(['/admin/users']);
        }
```

```
submit(): void {
 this.form.markAllAsTouched();
 if (this.form.valid) {
    const profile = new User().toModel(this.form);
    const payload = {
      ...profile,
      dateOfBirth: profile.dateOfBirth ? format(profile.dateOfBirth, 'yyyy-MM-dd') : null
   };
   if (this.userId) {
      this.adminService.updateUserByAdmin(this.userId, payload).subscribe({
        next: profile => {
          this.profileData = profile;
         this.toggleEdit();
         this.notification.success('User information updated successfully');
       },
        error: err => this.notification.error('Failed to update profile')
      })
    } else {
      this.profileService.updateProfile(payload).subscribe({
        next: profile => {
         this.profileData = profile;
         this.toggleEdit();
         this.notification.success('Profile updated successfully');
        error: err => this.notification.error('Failed to update profile')
      })
   }
 }
}
toggleEdit() {
 if (this.isEditMode) {
    this.form = new User(this.profileData).toForm();
 this.isEditMode = !this.isEditMode;
cancelEdit() {
 this.form.markAsPristine();
 this.isEditMode = false;
  this.form.patchValue(this.profileData); // Restore previous values
}
ngOnDestroy(): void {
 this.destroy$.next();
 this.destroy$.complete();
```

```
<div class="container mt-4">
  <h2 class="mb-4">User Profile</h2>
  <div *ngIf="!isEditMode">
    <div class="row mb-3">
      <div class="col-md-12 mt-2"><strong>OKTA ID:</strong> {{ oktaUserId?.value }}</div>
      <div class="col-md-6 mt-2"><strong>First Name:</strong> {{ firstName?.value }}</div>
      <div class="col-md-6 mt-2"><strong>Last Name:</strong> {{ lastName?.value }}</div>
      <div class="col-md-6 mt-2"><strong>Email:</strong> {{ email?.value }}</div>
      <div class="col-md-6 mt-2"><strong>Date of Birth:</strong> {{ dateOfBirth?.value | date:'yyyy-MM-dd'
}}</div>
      <div class="col-md-6 mt-2"><strong>Gender:</strong>
         <ng-container [ngSwitch]="gender?.value">
            <span *ngSwitchCase="'M'">Male</span>
            <span *ngSwitchCase="'F'">Female</span>
            <span *ngSwitchDefault>Other</span>
          </ng-container>
        </div>
      <div class="col-md-6 mt-2 mb-2 "><strong>Role:</strong> {{ role?.value }}</div>
    <button mat-raised-button color="primary" (click)="toggleEdit()">Edit</button>
  <form *ngIf="isEditMode" [|formGroup]="form" (|ngSubmit|)="submit()" class="row g-3">
    <div class="col-md-6">
      <mat-form-field appearance="outline" class="w-100">
        <mat-label>First Name</mat-label>
        <input matInput formControlName="firstName" required />
        <mat-error |*ngIf="form.get('firstName')?.hasError('required')">First Name is required</mat-error>
      </mat-form-field>
    </div>
    <div class="col-md-6">
      <mat-form-field appearance="outline" class="w-100">
        <mat-label>Last Name</mat-label>
        <input matInput formControlName="lastName" required />
        <mat-error *ngIf="form.get('lastName')?.hasError('required')">Last Name is required</mat-error>
      </mat-form-field>
    </div>
    <div class="col-md-6">
      <mat-form-field appearance="outline" class="w-100">
        <mat-label>Email</mat-label>
        <input matInput formControlName="email" required />
        <mat-error *ngIf="form.get('email')?.hasError('required')">Email is required</mat-error>
      </mat-form-field>
    </div>
    <div class="col-md-6">
      <mat-form-field appearance="outline" class="w-100">
        <mat-label>Date of Birth</mat-label>
        <input matInput [matDatepicker]="picker" formControlName="dateOfBirth">
        <mat-datepicker-toggle matSuffix [for]="picker"></mat-datepicker-toggle>
        <mat-datepicker #picker></mat-datepicker>
      </mat-form-field>
    </div>
    <div class="col-md-6">
      <mat-form-field appearance="outline" class="w-100">
        <mat-label>Gender</mat-label>
        mat-salact formControlName-"gander" required
```

```
<mat-option value="M">Male</mat-option>
         <mat-option value="F">Female</mat-option>
         <mat-option value="OTH">Prefer Not to Say</mat-option>
       <mat-error *ngIf="form.get('gender')?.hasError('required')">Gender is required</mat-error>
     </mat-form-field>
   </div>
   <div class="col-md-6">
     <mat-form-field appearance="outline" class="w-100">
       <mat-label>Role</mat-label>
       <mat-select formControlName="role" required>
         <mat-option value="NONE">None</mat-option>
         <mat-option value="STUDENT">Student</mat-option>
         <mat-option value="TEACHER">Teacher</mat-option>
         <mat-option value="ADMIN">Admin
       </mat-select>
       <mat-error *ngIf="form.get('role')?.hasError('required')">Role is required</mat-error>
     </mat-form-field>
   </div>
   <div class="col-12 d-flex justify-content-start gap-2">
     <button mat-raised-button color="primary" type="submit" [disabled]="form.invalid">Save</button>
     <button mat-raised-button type="button" [click]="cancelEdit()">Cancel</button>
   </div>
 </form>
</div>
```

Create a service to handling message displaying

```
export class NotificationService {
 constructor(private snackBar: MatSnackBar) {}
 success(message: string): void {
   duration: 3000,
     verticalPosition: 'top',
     panelClass: ['mat-mdc-snack-bar-success']
   });
 }
 error(message: string): void {
   this.snackBar.open(`\O ${message}`, 'Dismiss', {
     duration: 5000,
     verticalPosition: 'top',
     panelClass: ['mat-mdc-snack-bar-error']
   });
 }
 warning(message: string): void {
   this.snackBar.open(`_A ${message}`, 'Dismiss', {
     duration: 5000,
     verticalPosition: 'top',
     panelClass: ['mat-mdc-snack-bar-warn']
   });
 }
 info(message: string): void {
   this.snackBar.open(`i ${message}`, 'Dismiss', {
     duration: 4000,
     verticalPosition: 'top',
     panelClass: ['mat-mdc-snack-bar-info']
   });
 }
}
```

Handling Date Format Issues

1. Submit in Format of yyyy-MM-dd

Currently the dateOfBirth sent from UI does not match the format required by REST API which is yyyy-MM-dd. Fix it as below

· Install date-fns

```
npm i date-fns
```

Convert in submit()

```
const profile = new UserForm().toModel(this.form);
const payload = {
    ...profile,
    dateOfBirth: profile.dateOfBirth ? format(profile.dateOfBirth, 'yyyy-MM-dd') : null
};
```

2. Display Format in the DatePicker

Step 1: Configure Global Date Format

```
import { MAT_DATE_FORMATS } from '@angular/material/core';

export const APP_DATE_FORMATS = {
    parse: {
        dateInput: 'YYYY-MM-DD',
    },
    display: {
        dateInput: 'YYYY-MM-DD',
        monthYearLabel: 'MMM YYYY',
        dateA11yLabel: 'LL',
        monthYearA11yLabel: 'MMMM YYYY',
    }
};

export const DateFormatProvider = {
    provide: MAT_DATE_FORMATS,
    useValue: APP_DATE_FORMATS,
};
```

Step 2: Register the Provider in app.config.ts

```
export const appConfig: ApplicationConfig = {
  providers: [
    ... ...
    DateFormatProvider
  ],
};
```

3. Wrong Date Displayed in DatePicker

• new Date('yyyy-MM-dd') results in a date that is one day earlier

After fetched dateOfBirth from REST API in format yyyy-MM-dd, when use new Date(dateOfBirth), it always results in the date that is one day earlier.

Reason:

When you pass a date string like '2024-10-01' to new Date(), JavaScript interprets it as **midnight UTC** (i.e., 2024-10-01T00:00:00.000Z). Then it converts that to **local time**, which could be **the previous day** if your time zone is behind UTC.

Solution:

Parse the date string using a library that treats it as a local date, such as date-fns

user-from.model.ts

4.2 Separate 2 Front End Applications

4.2.1 Overview

The implementation in 6.1 has only one Angular application which include features for both user management and course management. Now to do the POC of separate FE applications, we are going to split the current Angular application course-ap into to applications:

- · user-app: User Management App
 - · Configured with own OKTA client Id and redirect URL
 - Redirects to user management dashboard after login, which is the redirect URL on OKTA for User Management App
- · course-app: Course Management App
 - Configured with own OKTA client Id and redirect URL
 - Redirects to course management dashboard after login, which is the redirect URL on OKTA for Course Management App
- OKTA
 - Single ORG

Target:

- · 2 separately deployed Angular applications
- · SSO between apps still works
- · Backend cross-app communication still works
- Able to redirect to a specified page in the other application other than default page (Dashboard)

4.2.2. Implementation

4.2.2.1 Front End

Step 1: Create a Workspace with Multiple Projects

The current **course-app** is a **single-project** Angular app, first convert it into a workspace that **supports multiple apps and libraries**.

```
cd D:\workspace\sso-demo\sso-okta-app-authorization\frontend
ng new fe-workspace --create-application=false
cd fe-workspace
```

Add the existing course-app

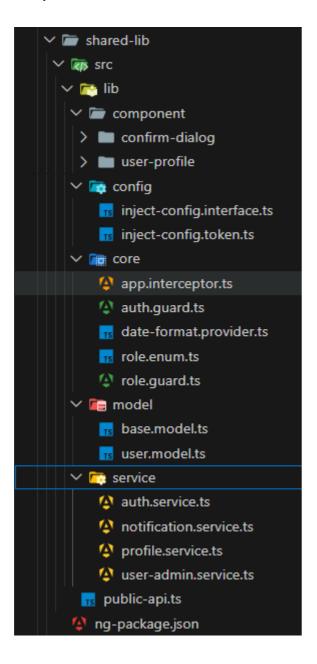
ng generate application course-app

Step 2: Create user-app and shared-lib

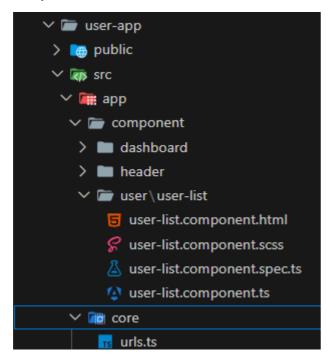
ng generate application user-app ng generate library shared-lib

Step 3: Move Shared Code to shared-lib

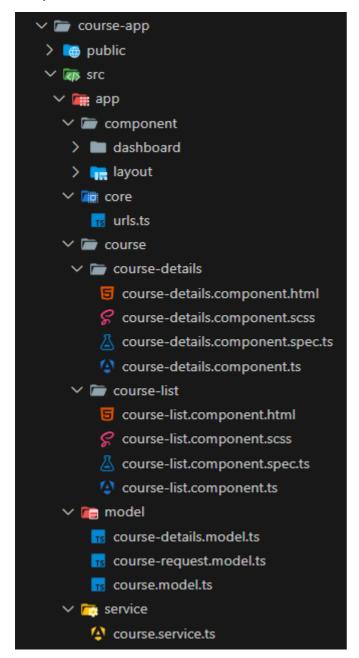
To update when finalize



Step 4: Move User-Related Features to user-app



Step 5: Move Course-Related Features to course-app



Step 6: Import shared-lib in Both Apps

Make sure fe-workspace/tsconfig.json includes the path alias for the library:

```
"paths": {
    "shared-lib": ["projects/shared-lib/src/public-api"]
}
```

and tsconfig.app.json in both user-app and course-app extends from it:

```
{
    "extends": "../../tsconfig.json",
    ...
}
```

Step 7: Import shared-lib in Both Apps

- Ensure both course-app and user-app have independent routing
- Each can have its own proxy.conf.json to call backend APIs through the gateway

Step 8: External Configuration Injection

1. Define an Interface for Config Data

```
export interface SharedLibConfig {
  loginUrl: string;
  profileApiUrl: string;
  usersApiUrl: string;
}
```

2. Create an Injection Token

```
import { InjectionToken } from '@angular/core';
import { SharedLibConfig } from './shared-lib-config.interface';
export const SHARED_LIB_CONFIG = new InjectionToken<SharedLibConfig>('SharedLibConfig');
```

3. Inject It into a Service or Component in the shared-lib, e.g. use it in AuthGuard

4. Provide It from the Host App

Step 9: Ensure Run Auth Check Before Load Page when Switch to Another App

• Issue: When switch to a page other than default page in the other application, it always land to default page Dashboard.

What's Happening

When you switch from **user-app** to **course-app**, the following sequence happens:

- 1. Your browser navigates to http://localhost:4201/courses.
- 2. Angular app initializes.
- 3. Angular route guard runs for /courses → uses AuthService.isAuthenticated\$.
- 4. BUT: checkAuthentication() hasn't completed yet (or hasn't even started).
- 5. So the guard treats the user as unauthenticated → redirects to home or dashboard.
- 6. Meanwhile, checkAuthentication() runs and confirms authentication but it's too late.

Why This Happens

It's calling checkAuthentication() in AppComponent.ngOnInit(), which:

- Is not guaranteed to complete before routing starts
- Doesn't synchronously block the route guard

Clean Solution

Modify your AuthGuard to:

- Call checkAuthentication() directly inside canActivate() (see above updated code)
- · Wait for the result (Observable<boolean>

• Only allow navigation after the async check finishes

auth.service.ts: change to return Observable

boolean>

```
export class AuthService {
 private authenticated = new BehaviorSubject<boolean>(false);
 public isAuthenticated$ = this.authenticated.asObservable();
 private _profile!: User | null;
 public get profile() {
   return this._profile;
 constructor(private profileService: ProfileService) {}
 private checkInProgress$: Observable<boolean> | null = null;
 checkAuthentication(): Observable<boolean> {
    // 🗹 If already authenticated, return true immediately
   if (this.authenticated.value === true) {
     return of(true);
    }
   // 🗹 If already checking, return the same observable
   if (this.checkInProgress$) {
     return this.checkInProgress$;
    // 🖸 Otherwise, perform check and cache it
    const check$ = this.profileService.getProfile().pipe(
     tap(user => {
        this._profile = user;
        this.authenticated.next(true);
      map(() => true),
      catchError((error: HttpErrorResponse) => {
        if (error.status === 404) {
         // Try creating profile
         return this.profileService.createProfile().pipe(
           tap(createdUser => {
              this._profile = createdUser;
             this.authenticated.next(true);
           }),
           map(() => true),
             catchError(err => {
              console.error('X Failed to create profile', err);
              this._profile = null;
              this.authenticated.next(false);
              return of(false);
           })
        } else {
         console.error('X Failed to load profile', error);
         this._profile = null;
         this.authenticated.next(false);
          return of(false);
        }
      }),
      finalize(() => {
       // O Clear cache after first run completes
        this.checkInProgress$ = null;
      chanaPanlau(1) // A Pauca the necult for all cubecribers
```

```
this.checkInProgress$ = check$;
  return check$;
}
```

Call authService.checkAuthentication() manually in header.component

Also, call the REST API "/custome-login/{client}?redirectTo=" for redirecting to specified page

```
isAuthenticated$ = this.authService.isAuthenticated$;

ngOnInit(): void {
    this.authService.checkAuthentication()
        .pipe(takeUntil(this.destroy$))
        .subscribe();
}

redirectToCourseApp(targetPath: string): string {
    const encodedRedirectTo = encodeURIComponent(targetPath);
    return `http://localhost:9001/custom-login/course-app?redirectTo=${encodedRedirectTo}`;
}
```

Remove authService.checkAuthentication() in app.component.

Step 10: Misc Changes

· Add necessary dependencies in package.json

```
"@angular/cdk": "^19.0.0",

"@angular/material": "^19.2.17",

"bootstrap": "^5.3.6",

"date-fns": "^4.1.0",
```

· Add link resource for icons in index.html of both applications

```
<link href="https://fonts.googleapis.com/icon?family=Material+Icons" rel="stylesheet" />
```

· export necessary artifacts in public-api.ts

```
/*
  * Public API Surface of shared-lib
  */

export * from './lib/model/base.model';
export * from './lib/model/user.model';

export * from './lib/component/confirm-dialog/confirm-dialog.component';
...
```

4.2.2.2 Backend

To support SSO between two separately hosted Angular apps (on ports 4200 and 4201) with two backend OKTA clients (user-app and course-app), you must ensure that after logging into user-app (http://localhost:4200), you should be able to access course-app (http://localhost:4201) without logging in again — and vice versa.

4.2.2.2.1 Update api-gateway SecurityConfig to support multiple clients application.xml of api-gateway

```
client:
    redirect-url:
    user-app: http://localhost:4200
    course-app: http://localhost:4201
```

SecurityConfig.java

```
@Configuration
@EnableWebFluxSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {
    @Value("${client.redirect-url.user-app:}")
    private String userAppRedirectUrl;
    @Value("${client.redirect-url.course-app:}")
    private String courseAppRedirectUrl;
    @Bean
    public SecurityWebFilterChain springSecurityFilterChain(
            ServerHttpSecurity http,
            ReactiveClientRegistrationRepository clientRegistrationRepository) {
        return http
                .csrf(ServerHttpSecurity.CsrfSpec::disable)
                .cors(cors -> cors.configurationSource(corsConfigurationSource()))
                .authorizeExchange(exchanges -> exchanges
                        .pathMatchers("/actuator/**", "/public/**").permitAll()
                        .anyExchange().authenticated())
                .oauth2Login(login -> login
                        .authenticationSuccessHandler(redirectToAngular())) // redirects to Angular after
Login
                .logout(logout -> logout
                        .logoutSuccessHandler(oidcLogoutSuccessHandler(clientRegistrationRepository)))
                .build(); // ✓ TokenRelay is configured via application.yml route filters
    private ServerAuthenticationSuccessHandler redirectToAngular() {
        return (exchange, authentication) -> {
            ServerWebExchange webExchange = exchange.getExchange();
            String defaultRedirect = getClientRedirectUrl((OAuth2AuthenticationToken) authentication);
            return webExchange.getSession().flatMap(session -> {
                String redirectTo = (String) session.getAttributes().get("redirectTo");
                log.info("Redirecting to {}", redirectTo);
                // Clear it from session after use
                session.getAttributes().remove("redirectTo");
                String finalRedirect = (redirectTo != null && !redirectTo.isBlank())
                        ? defaultRedirect + redirectTo
                        : defaultRedirect:
                RedirectServerAuthenticationSuccessHandler handler =
                        new RedirectServerAuthenticationSuccessHandler(finalRedirect);
                return handler.onAuthenticationSuccess(exchange, authentication);
            });
        };
    private ServerLogoutSuccessHandler oidcLogoutSuccessHandler(
            ReactiveClientRegistrationRepository clientRegistrationRepository) {
        return (exchange, authentication) -> {
            String redirectUri = getClientRedirectUrl((OAuth2AuthenticationToken) authentication);
            OidcClientInitiatedCenventogoutCuccescHandlen handlen -
```

```
new OidcClientInitiatedServerLogoutSuccessHandler(clientRegistrationRepository);
           handler.setPostLogoutRedirectUri(String.valueOf(URI.create(redirectUri)));
           return handler.onLogoutSuccess(exchange, authentication);
       };
   private String getClientRedirectUrl(OAuth2AuthenticationToken authentication) {
       String client = authentication.getAuthorizedClientRegistrationId();
       return switch (client) {
           case "user-app" -> userAppRedirectUrl;
           case "course-app" -> courseAppRedirectUrl;
           default -> userAppRedirectUrl; // fallback
       };
   @Bean
   public UrlBasedCorsConfigurationSource corsConfigurationSource() {
       CorsConfiguration config = new CorsConfiguration();
       config.setAllowedOrigins(List.of("http://localhost:4200", "http://localhost:4201"));
       config.setAllowedMethods(List.of("GET", "POST", "PUT", "DELETE", "OPTIONS"));
       config.setAllowedHeaders(List.of("*"));
       config.setAllowCredentials(true); // ☑ important for cookies/session-based auth
       UrlBasedCorsConfigurationSource source = new UrlBasedCorsConfigurationSource();
       source.registerCorsConfiguration("/**", config);
       return source;
}
```

4.2.2.2.2 Create a Custom Controller to Initiate Login

To reliably capture redirectTo, we should **not use** the default Spring Security endpoint /oauth2/authorization/{registrationId} directly.

Instead, create your own endpoint (e.g. /custom-login/course-app) that:

- 1. Reads the redirectTo query param,
- 2. Stores it in the session,
- 3. Redirects to the real Spring Security OAuth2 login URL (/oauth2/authorization/course-app).

OAuth2LoginController.java

```
@RestController
@RequestMapping("/custom-login")
public class OAuth2LoginController {
    @GetMapping("/{client}")
    public Mono<Void> loginWithRedirect(@PathVariable String client,
                                        @RequestParam(required = false) String redirectTo,
                                        ServerWebExchange exchange) {
        return exchange.getSession().flatMap(session -> {
            if (redirectTo != null) {
                session.getAttributes().put("redirectTo", redirectTo);
            }
            String loginUri = "/oauth2/authorization/" + client;
            return Mono.defer(() -> {
                exchange.getResponse().setStatusCode(HttpStatus.FOUND);
                exchange.getResponse().getHeaders().setLocation(URI.create(loginUri));
                return exchange.getResponse().setComplete();
            });
       });
   }
}
```

Use This Controller in the Frontend Links

header.component.ts

```
redirectToCourseApp(targetPath: string): string {
  const encodedRedirectTo = encodeURIComponent(targetPath);
  return `http://localhost:9001/custom-login/course-app?redirectTo=${encodedRedirectTo}`;
}
```