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OAuth2 - SSO - Angular - Spring Boot



1. OKTA Setup

1. Registration

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

2. Create Users

zxuz111@gmail.com 2HS6YjhE68dg

admin1sso@mailinator.com degree Gpu8Cke7Y2P5

test1sso@mailinator.com de/ PHUh33x9fvK9

test2sso@mailinator.com d / uY7n7KcF45eZ

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 : ""
```

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
 - Grant type:
 - Authorization Code
 - **V** 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/okta
 (on gateway)
 - 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

 ✓
 - $\bullet \quad \text{Navigate to: } \textbf{Security} \rightarrow \textbf{API} \rightarrow \textbf{Authorization Servers}$

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.

5. Create application CourseManagementApp

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

2. Implement User Management Application

1. Backend Implementation

1.1 Overview

1.1.1 Authentication & Authorization

- OAuth2 login via OKTA is handled only by user-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

1.1.2 Components

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

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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

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

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.

1.4 user-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: user-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
```

Note: It turns out the externalized configuration is not working for user-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**.

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;
```

1.6 user-admin-svc

Mostly same as user-profile-svc

1.7 Authentication Test

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

Issue 1:

Expected: Redirect to OKTA login page

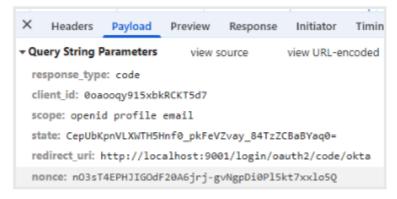
Actual:

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?
<a href="response_type=code&client_id=0oaooqy915xbkRCKT5d7&scope=openid%20profile%20email&state=CepUbKpnVLXWTH5Hnf0_pkFeVZvay_84TzZCBaBYaq0%3D&redirect_uri=http://localhost:9001/login/oauth2/code/okta&nonce=nO3sT4EPHJIGOdF20A6jrj-

gvNgpDi0Pl5kt7xxlo5Q

The above URL of the 302 location



400

Bad Request

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

Solution: Create an Access Policy + Rule

Step 1: Go to Authorization Server Settings

- 1. Open your OKTA Admin Console
- 2. Go to:

Security \rightarrow API \rightarrow 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 user-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 user-gateway / client ID: 0oaooqy915xbkRCKT5d7)
- 3. Click Create Rule

Issue 2

Error: UnknownHostException for dxpsdesktop.mshome.net

Solution:

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

eureka:
 instance:
 prefer-ip-address: true

hostname: localhost

Issue 3

Error:

URL: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default/v1/authorize?
response type=code&client id=0oaoogy915xbkRCKT5d7<response type=code&client id=0oaoogy915xbkRCKT5d7<https://dev-superscripts.com/oauth2/default/v1/authorize?

br ow ser

In

<u>&scope=openid%20profile%20email&state=LyJq5kOzBNHCfBKGrKy6zNLM7KFXO9_KZ2KYhhvaBtM</u>

<u>%3D</u>

✓

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

Solution:

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

```
spring:
    security:
    oauth2:
    client:
        registration:
        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/okta"
    provider:
        okta:
        issuer-uri: https://dev-50623690.okta.com/oauth2/default
```

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 to

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

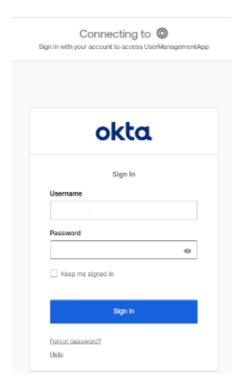
add the Spring Security OAuth2 Resource Server dependency

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.cloud</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-cloud-starter-netflix-eureka-client</artifactId>
</dependency>
```

Also, Spring Security needs a JwtDecoder bean

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

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



3. Implement Course Management Application

1. Backend Implementation

1.1 Overview

1.1.1 Authentication & Authorization

- OAuth2 login via OKTA is handled only by course-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

1.1.2 Components

| Component | Port | Purpose |
|-------------------------|------|---|
| course-gateway | 9011 | Entry point; handles OKTA login |
| course-query-svc | 9012 | Read-only API for all roles |
| course-management-svc | 9013 | Admin/teacher APIs for course updates |
| course-registration-svc | 9014 | Student registration + teacher approval |
| eureka-server (shared) | 9762 | Service discovery |
| config-server (shared) | 9015 | Centralized config |
| MySQL (shared) | _ | Stores course and registration data |

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

 $\label{lem:decomp} D: \workspace \so-demo\so-okta-app-authorization \backend \course-management-app\course-config-server$

1.3 course-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
```

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- 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.

1.4 course-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: 9011
spring:
  application:
   name: course-gateway
  config:
   import: configserver:http://localhost:9015
  cloud:
    gateway:
     routes:
        - id: course-query
         uri: lb://course-query-svc
          predicates:
            - Path=/api/courses/**
          filters:
            - TokenRelay
        - id: course-management
          uri: lb://course-management-svc
          predicates:
            - Path=/api/course-mgmt/**
          filters:
            - TokenRelay
        - id: course-registration
          uri: lb://course-registration-svc
          predicates:
            - Path=/api/registration/**
          filters:
            - TokenRelay
  security:
    oauth2:
      client:
        registration:
          okta:
            client-id: 0oaoor5c1wl5NU1ef5d7
            client-secret: AC-_PThmy1t69J7Q1Je2g4HNRXq1mPqAUGDspKsy6dTFGk7RVV00a5jKiwZVuJ3z
            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:9762/eureka/
  instance:
    prefer-ip-address: true
    hostname: localhost
```

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:9762/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().permitAll()" 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;
```

1.6 course-management-svc

Mostly same as course-query-svc

1.7 course-registration-svc

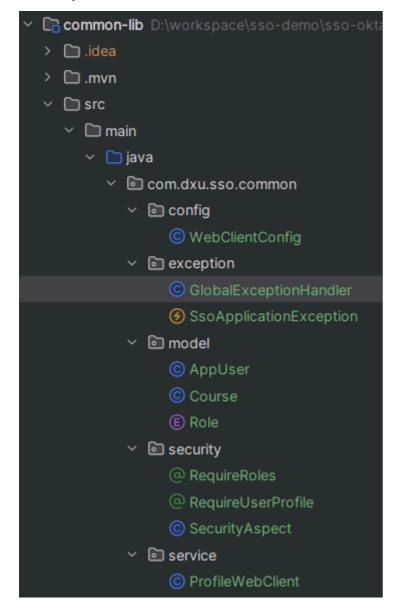
Mostly same as course-query-svc

4. Create shared library common-lib

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.

2. Implementation



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

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();
}
```

2.2 ProfileWebClient

Service of handling operations shared by applications. E.g.

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

2.3 Models

Shared POJO, entities, constants, etc.

2.4 Security

2.4.1 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

2.5 Exception Handling

• SsoApplicationException: The global exception handler shared by applications

2.6 Troubleshooting

2.6.1 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 JARType your error message here.
Solution: Remove the Spring Boot plugin:

3. Use common-lib in Microservices

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 {
    ...
}
```

3.2 Troubleshooting During Implementation

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

3.2.2 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

3.2.3 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

3.2.4 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