

# Working with OAuth

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# Overview



How does OAuth (Authorization Server) compare to our bad API security?

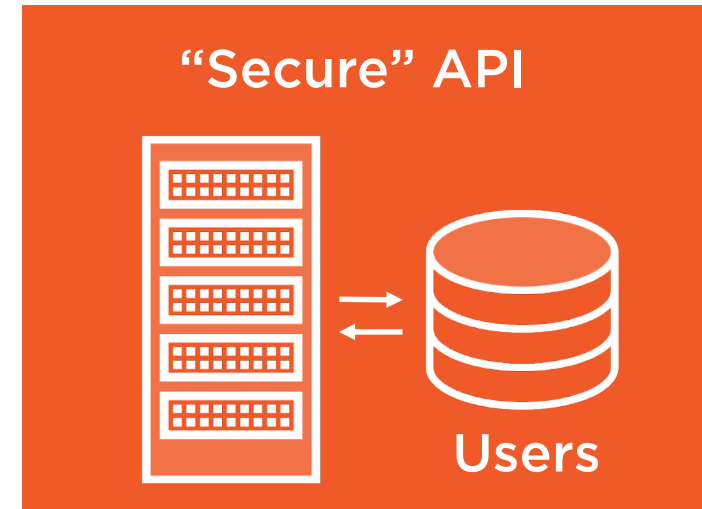
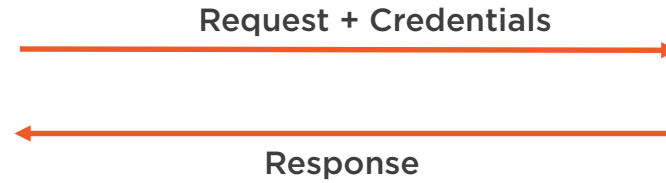
How do we inspect and validate an Access Token?

Where do Google, Twitter, Facebook and others fit into the picture?

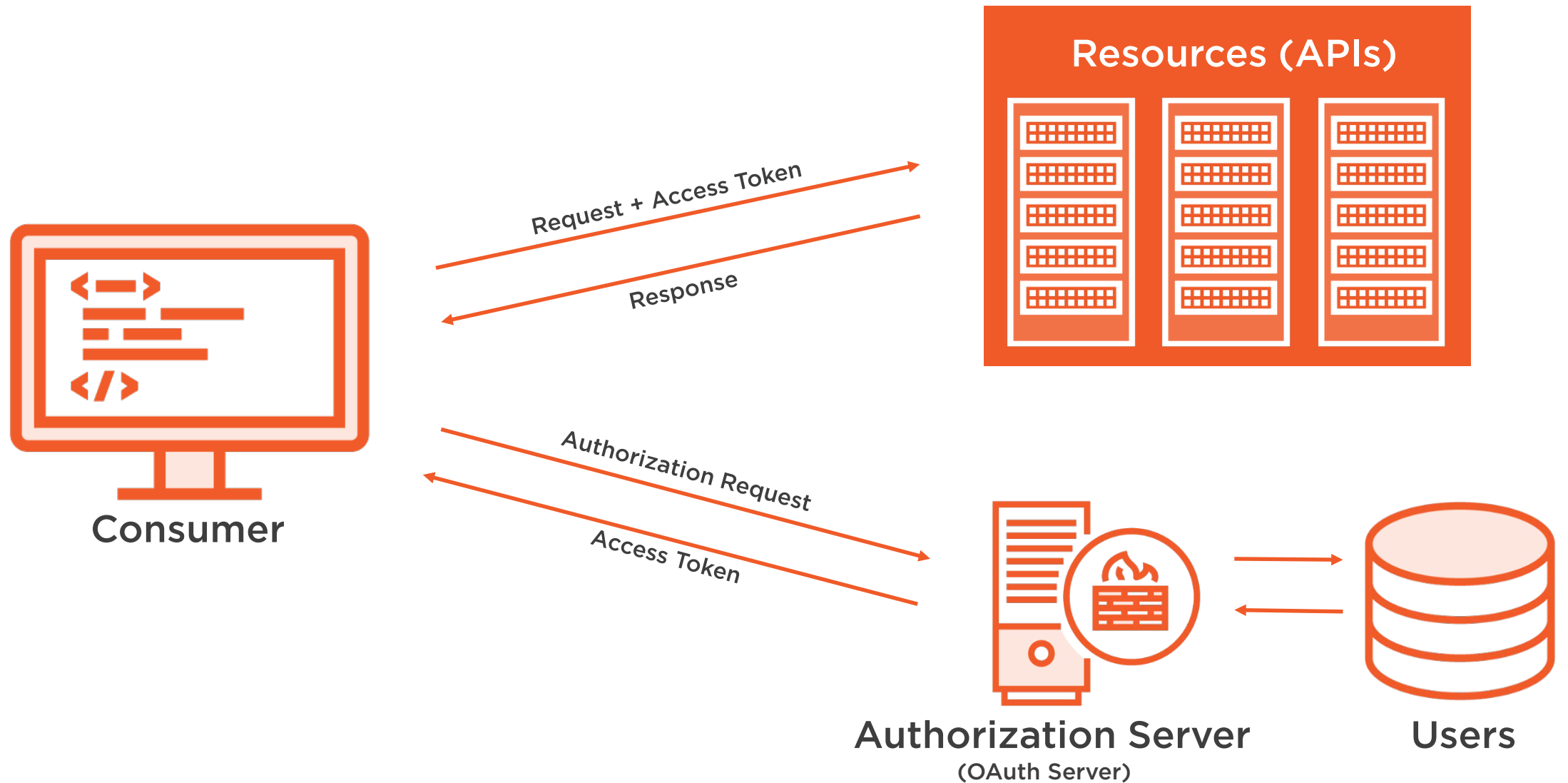
What does this mean for third parties?



# What Did Our Bad API Do?



# Where Does OAuth Come In?



# Why Not **Only** Twitter, Google, Facebook et. al?

Don't build your  
business around  
third party identity  
services

Supply social login  
as an option

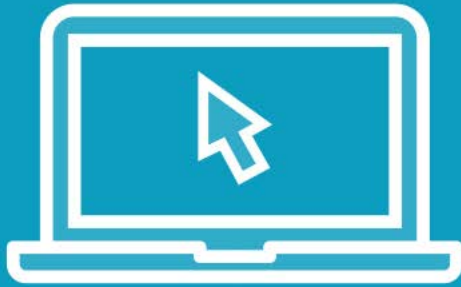
Headache for third  
parties using your  
API



# Don't Force External Logins



# Demo



Using OAuth: What does it look like?





How can the Resource Servers (APIs) validate an Access Token?

What does the content of an Access Token look like?

Can anyone use my Authorization Server?





# The OAuth 2.0 Authorization Framework

RFC 6749



# OAuth Endpoints

## **/authorize**

- New Access Token request (Certain Flows)

## **/token**

- New Access Token request (Certain Flows)
- Refresh Access Token
- Trade Authorization Code for an Access Token

## **/revocation**

- Revoke an Access or Refresh Token (RFC 7009)



# OpenID Connect Endpoints

**/userinfo**

**/checksession**

**/endsession**

**/.well-known/openid-configuration**

- Lists endpoints and configurations

**/.well-known/jwks**

- Lists information about JWT signing keys. Used for token validation



# Access Token

**JSON Web Token**

**Information about the authorized user**

**Signed by the Authorization Server**

**Resource Server (API) should validate  
using a public key**

**Base64 encoded information**



```
{  
  "access_token": "eyJ0eXAiOiJK...",  
  "expires_in": 3600,  
  "token_type": "Bearer"  
}
```

## Getting an Access Token

POST /token HTTP/1.1

Host: pluralsight-oauth.azurewebsites.net

Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

client\_id=1&secret=secret&grant\_type=password&username=mail@filipekberg.se&password=password



# Access Token (JWT)

HEADER

PAYLOAD

SIGNATURE



Claims  
(Payload)

Issuer

Audience

Expiry

Not Before

Client Id

Scopes

Custom data



# Scopes

**Limit access to functionality based on  
Scopes**

## **OpenID Connect Scope Examples**

- openid
- profile
- email
- address
- offline\_access

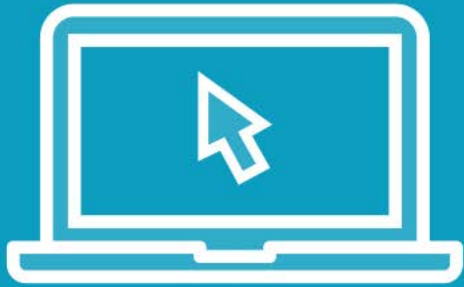
## **Custom Scope Examples**

- read
- write





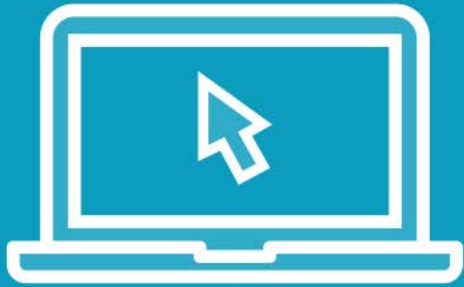
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## Getting and Inspecting Access Token



# Demo



## Using an Access Token



# Access Token Validation

**Authorization Server exposes a public key**

**Resource Server and Consumer should  
validate on their end**

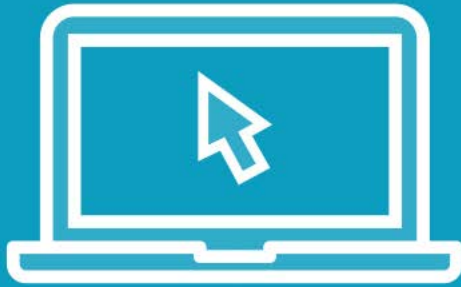
**Could use Token Introspection for  
validation (RFC 7662)**



Always **validate** the  
Access Token



# Demo



## Manipulating an Access Token



# Refresh Token

**Access Tokens could expire anytime**

**Refresh Tokens allow you to get a new Access Token**

**Delivered together with your first Authorization**

**Obtain a Refresh Token by requesting the Scope `offline_access`**



# Flows & Grants

## Redirect Flows

- Implicit Grant
- Authorization Code

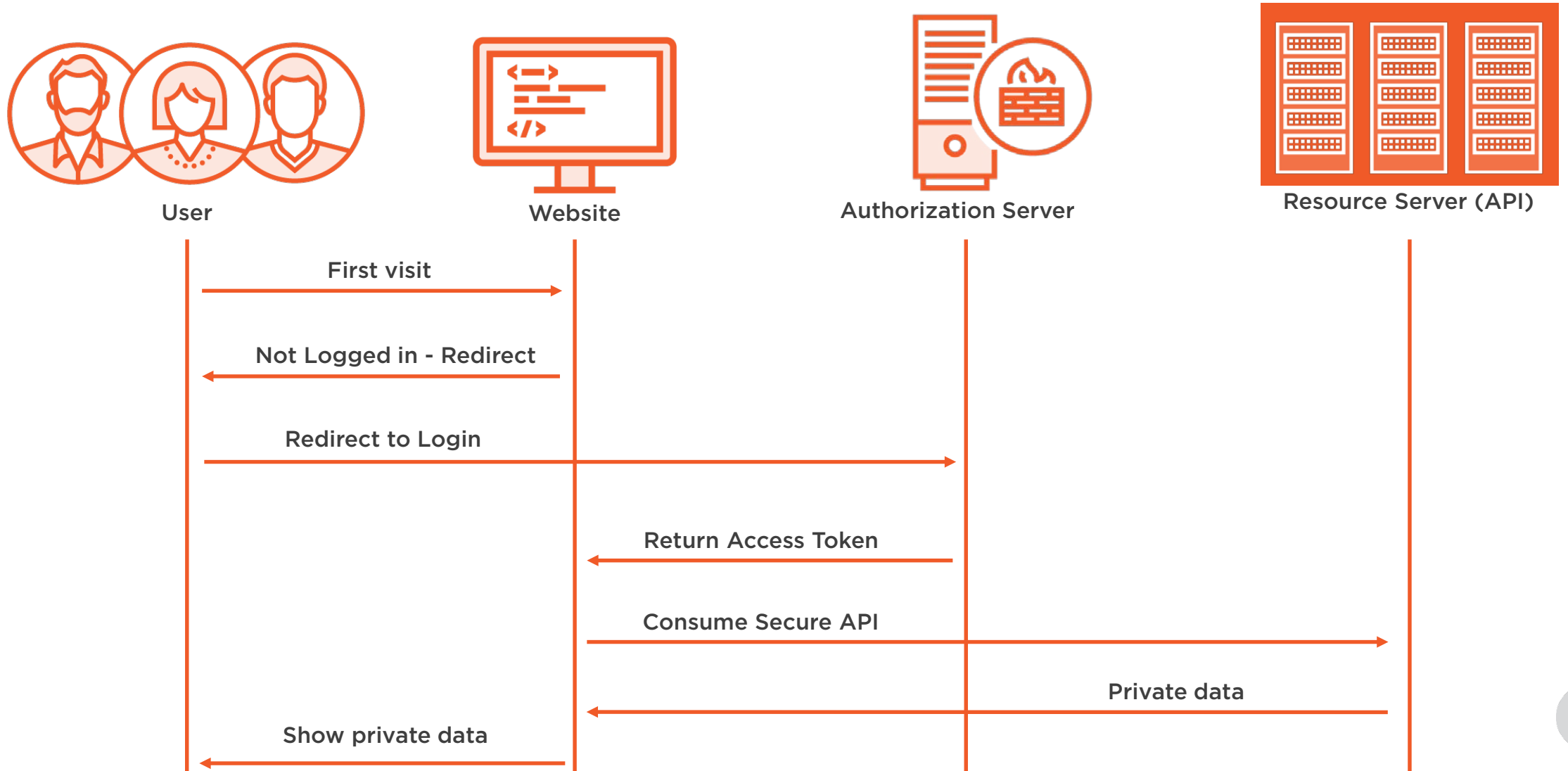
## Credential Flows

- Resource Owner Password Credentials
- Client Credentials

**More in Module 4 and 5!**



# Redirect Flow (Implicit Grant)







**Implements both OAuth 2.0 and OpenID Connect**

**Easy to Setup & Get Started**

**Built by Industry Experts**

**Well supported in older as well as newer ASP.NET versions**



# Summary



Where OAuth Fits into the Picture

How to Retrieve and Analyze an Access Token

Importance of Access Token Validation

How to Refresh an Access Token

Different OAuth and OpenID Connect Endpoints

Scopes, Claims as well as other OAuth and OpenID Connect Fundamentals

External Login can be added as an option

