



Beginner to Guru

Introduction to Spring Security



Many Levels of Security

- In the context of computing, there are many levels of security:
 - Hardware Security prevent unauthorized code execution
 - Operating System access to the computer and actions you can take
 - Database access to the database and actions you can take
 - Message Brokers read / write access to message queues
 - Network Security wifi, VPCs, etc
 - Application Security Access to the application and actions within application





Spring Security

- Spring Security focuses on Application Security
 - Spring Security does not address other levels of security
- Application Security focuses on who can do what within the context of an application
- Spring Security provides:
 - Protection from common security exploits
 - Integration with external security products, such as LDAP
 - Provides utilities for password encoding





Application Security Key Terms

- Identity A unique actor, typically an individual aka user
- Credentials Usually a user id and password
- Authentication Is how the application verifies the identity of the requestor
 - Spring Security has a variety of methods for Authentication
 - Typically the user provides credentials, which are validated
- Authorization Can a user perform an action?
 - Using the user's identity, Spring Security determines if they are authorized to perform action



Authentication Providers

- Authentication Providers Verify users identities
- Authentication Providers supported by Spring Security:
 - In Memory
 - JDBC / Database
 - Custom
 - LDAP / Active Directory

- Keycloak
- ACL (Access Control List)
- OpenID
- CAS





Password Storage

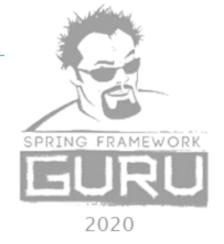
- Spring Security supports a variety of methods to store and verify passwords
 - NoOp Password Encoder plain text, not recommended for legacy systems
 - BCrypt uses bcrypt password hashing
 - Argon2 Uses Argon2 algorithm
 - Pbkdf2 Uses PBKDF2 algorithm
 - SCrypt Uses scrypt algorithm
 - Custom Roll your own? Not recommended!





Spring Security Modules

- Core Core modules of Spring Security
- Remoting Only needed for support of RMI operations
- Web Support of web applications
- Config Provides support for XML and Java configuration
- LDAP for integration with LDAP identity providers
- OAuth 2.0 Core Core of OAuth 2.0 Authorization and OpenID
- OAuth 2.0 Client Client support for OAuth 2.0 and OpenID clients





Spring Security Modules

- OAuth 2.0 JOSE Provides support for JOSE (Javascript Object Signing and Encryption)
- OAuth 2.0 Resource Server Support for OAuth 2.0 Resource Servers
- ACL Support for Access Control Lists
- CAS Support for Central Authentication Service
- OpenID Authenticate users with external OpenID server
- **Test** Testing Support for Spring Security





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