

Authentication, authorization, and auditing (AAA)

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Unit objectives

- Describe the AAA framework within the DataPower Gateway
- Explain the purpose of each step in an access control policy
- Authenticate and authorize requests with:
 - WS-Security Username and binary security tokens
 - HTTP Authorization header claims
 - Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) assertions

Authentication, authorization, and auditing

 In the DataPower gateway, AAA represents three security processes: authentication, authorization, and auditing

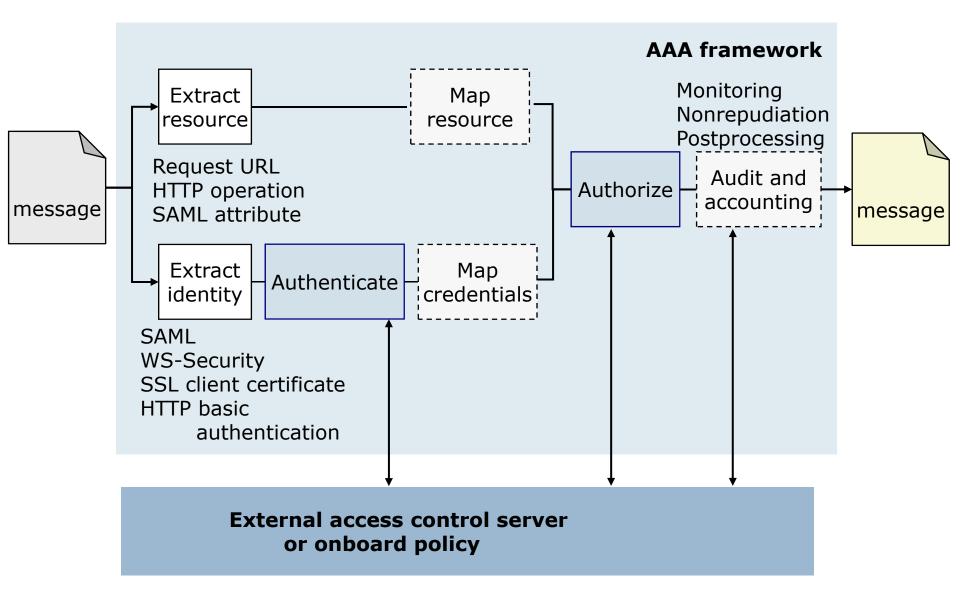






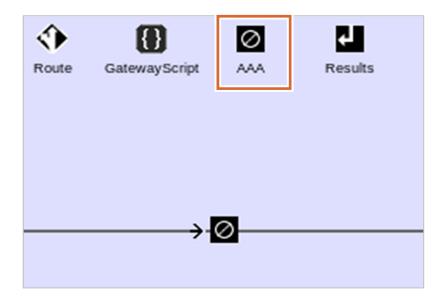
- **Authentication**verifies the identity
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 sender
- Authorization
 determines whether
 the client has
 access to the
 requested resource
- Auditing keeps records of any attempts to access resources

Authentication and authorization framework



AAA action and access control policy

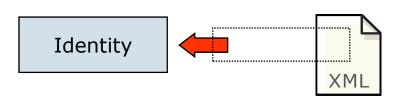
- To restrict access to resources, add a AAA action to a document processing rule
 - AAA action invokes an access control policy, or AAA policy
- An access control policy, or a AAA policy, determines whether a requesting client is granted access to a specific resource
 - These policies are filters that accept or deny specific client requests



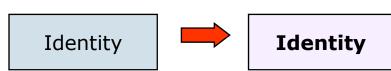


How to define an access control policy (1 of 2)

- Define one or more identity extraction methods
- Define the authentication method
- 3. Map authentication credentials (optional)

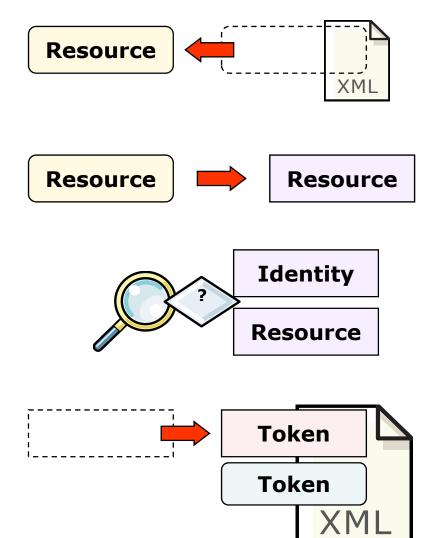




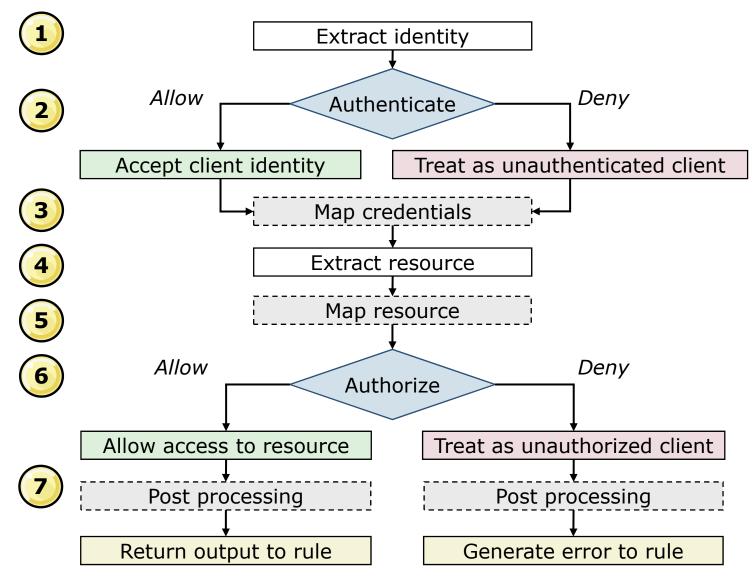


How to define an access control policy (2 of 2)

- Define resource extraction methods
- 5. Map requested resources (optional)
- 6. Define the authorization method
- 7. Specify postprocessing actions (optional)



Access control policy processing



Scenario 1: Authorize authenticated clients

- Create an access control policy that handles client SOAP web service requests with the following conditions:
 - The client communicates to the DataPower gateway over a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) connection
 - A WS-Security UsernameToken element holds the requesting client identity
 - Verifies the claimed identity of the client against a list that is stored on the DataPower gateway itself
 - The requested resource is the web service operation
 - Allows any authenticated client access to the web service operation

Scenario 1: Sample SOAP request message

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8">
<soap:Envelope</pre>
xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
xmlns:wsse="http://...wssecurity-secext-1.0.xsd"
xmlns:g0="http://east.address.training.ibm.com">
  <soap:Header>
    <wsse:Security>
      <wsse:UsernameToken>
        <wsse:Username>Alice</wsse:Username>
        <wsse:Password>ond3mand</wsse:Password>
      </wsse:UsernameToken>
    </wsse:Security>
  </soap:Header>
  <soap:Body>
    <q0:retrieveAll />
  </soap:Body>
</soap:Envelope>
```



Scenario 1: Identify and authenticate the client

- Create a AAA policy object on the DataPower gateway
- 2. Extract the client's identity with the Password-carrying UsernameToken Element from WS-Security header option
- 3. For the authentication method,

 Use AAA information file
 - Specify the name of the AAA information file in the URL field
- 4. Leave the identity mapping method at **None**



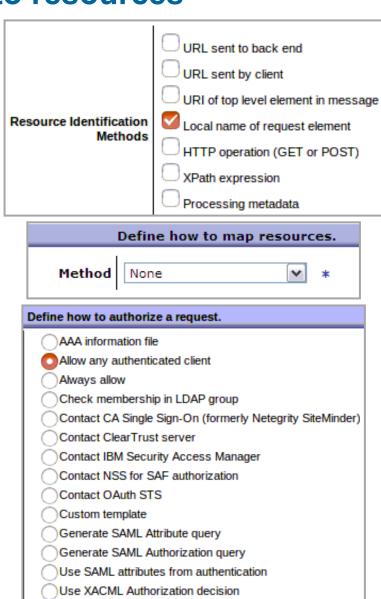
Define how to extract a user's identity from an incoming request.			
HTTP Authentication header			
Password-carrying UsernameToken element from WS-Security header			
Derived-key UsernameToken element from WS-Security header			
Define how to authenticate the user.			
Accept LTPA token			
Accept SAML assertion with valid signature			
Bind to LDAP server			
Contact CA Single Sign-On (formerly Netegrity SiteMinder)			
Contact ClearTrust server			
Contact IBM Security Access Manager			
Contact NSS for SAF authentication			
Contact SAML server for SAML Authentication statement			
Contact WS-Trust server for WS-Trust token			
Custom template			
Pass identity token to authorization phase			
Retrieve SAML assertions that corresponds to SAML Browser Artifact			



Ise certificate from BinarySecurityToken

Scenario 1: Authorize access to resources

- Select Local name of request element as the resource extraction method
 - The name of the child element in the SOAP body of the request is the request element name
- 6. Leave the resource mapping method at **None**
- 7. For the authorization method, allow any request from an authenticated client to proceed



Scenario 2: Security token conversion

- Create an access control policy that handles client SOAP web service requests with the following conditions:
 - The client communicates to the DataPower gateway over a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) connection
 - The HTTP BASIC-AUTH header information holds the identity of the requesting client
 - Generates a WS-Security UsernameToken element corresponding to the HTTP BASIC-AUTH header
 - Defers the authentication and authorization tasks to the back-end web service

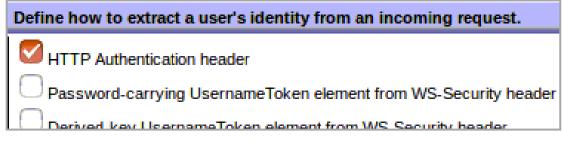
Scenario 2: Sample HTTP request message

```
POST /EastAddress/services/AddressSearch HTTP/1.1
Host: www.example.com
Content-type: text/xml; charset=utf-8
Content-length: 237
Authorization: Basic T3phaXI6U2hlaWtoTkJha2U=
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8">
<soap:Envelope</pre>
xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
 xmlns:g0="http://east.address.training.ibm.com">
  <soap:Header />
  <soap:Body>
    <q0:retrieveAll />
  </soap:Body>
</soap:Envelope>
```



Scenario 2: Identify and authenticate the client

- Create a AAA policy object on the DataPower gateway
- Extract the client's identity with the HTTP Authentication header option
 - The value within the Authorization HTTP header represents the HTTP authentication header
- 3. For the authentication method, specify Pass identity token to authorization phase
- 4. Leave the identity mapping method at **none**



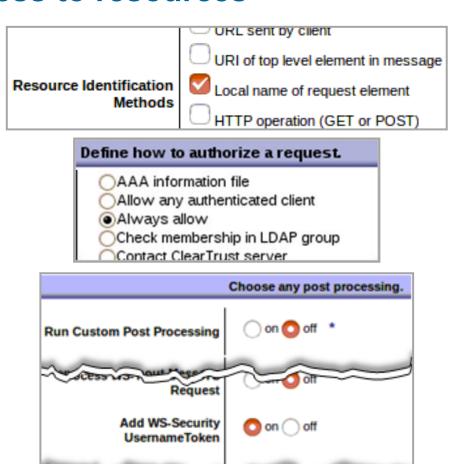


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Scenario 2: Authorize access to resources

- Select Local name
 of request element as the
 resource extraction method
 - The name of the child element in the SOAP body of the request is the request element name
- 6. Leave the resource mapping method at **None**
- Set the authorization method to always allow requests
- 8. In the postprocessing step, add the WS-Security Username Token



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Password Type

WS-Security UsernameToken

Scenario 3: Multiple identity extraction methods

- Create an access control policy that handles client SOAP web service requests with the following conditions:
 - Uses either a WS-Security UsernameToken element or a BinarySecurityToken element from the WS-Security header to determine the client's identity
 - Verifies the identity of the client
 - The requested resource is the web service operation
 - Allows any authenticated client access to the web service operation



Scenario 3: Identify and authenticate the client

- Create a AAA
 policy object on the
 DataPower gateway
- Extract the client's identity from the Username element or a BinarySecurityToken
 - Separate WS-Security token profiles describe the structure of the UsernameToken and the BinarySecurityToken
- 3. For the authentication method, specify **Bind to LDAP server**
 - The LDAP directory server provides an external list of authenticated users
- Leave the identity mapping method at **none**

Define how to extract a user's identity from an incoming request.			
HTTP Authentication header			
Password-carrying UsernameToken element from WS-Security header			
Derived-key UsernameToken element from WS-Security header			
☑ BinarySecurityToken element from WS-Security header			
WS-SecureConversation identifier			
WS-Trust Rase or Supporting token			

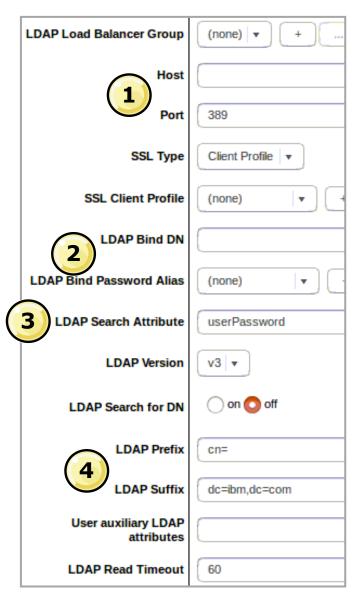
Define how to authenticate the user.			
OAccept LTPA token OAccept SAML assertion with valid signature ● Bind to LDAP server OContact ClearTrust server OContact IBM Security Access Manager			

Define how to map credentials.				
Method	none	•	*	
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Scenario 3: LDAP details

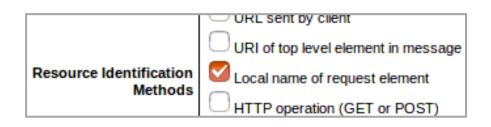
When connecting to LDAP, further details are needed

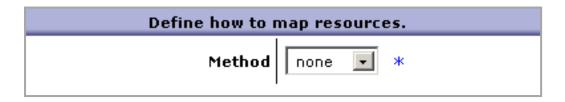
- 1. Specify the LDAP server URL and port
- Indicate the LDAP Bind DN and LDAP Bind Password Alias for the LDAP query
- Use the LDAP Search Attribute fields to verify the password digest from a WS-Security Username Token
- Use the LDAP Prefix and LDAP Suffix fields to build the LDAP query
 - For example, the extracted identity of John would result in a distinguished name of cn=John, dc=ibm, dc=com

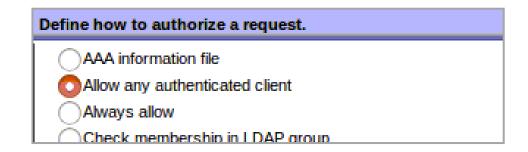


Scenario 3: Authorize access to resources

- 5. Select Local name of request element as the resource extraction method
 - The name of the child element in the SOAP body of the request is the request element name
- 6. Leave the resource mapping method at **none**
- 7. For the authorization method, allow any request from an authenticated client to proceed

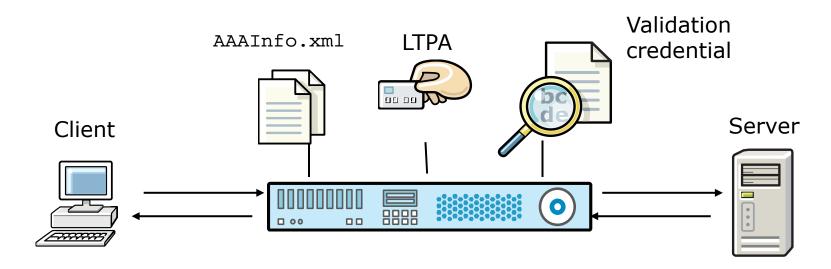






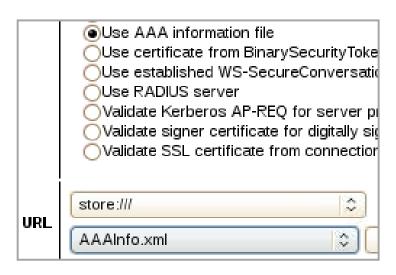
Internal access control resources

- Authentication and authorization can be performed on the DataPower box by:
 - AAA file: XML file that contains validation information for the AAA steps (authenticate, authorize, map credentials, map resource)
 - LTPA: Token type that the IBM WebSphere Application Server and Lotus Domino products use
 - Validation credential object: List of certificates that are used to validate the incoming digital signature



AAA XML file

- The AAA XML file is used to validate the credentials in a AAA policy
- Used by the following AAA steps:
 - Authenticate
 - Authorize
 - Map credentials
 - Map resource
- Useful for testing of AAA policy when off-box resources not available
 - Use in production to maintain small list of AAA credentials
- For the authenticate or authorize step in the AAA policy, select
 Use AAA information file
 - Select an existing XML file or create a AAA file



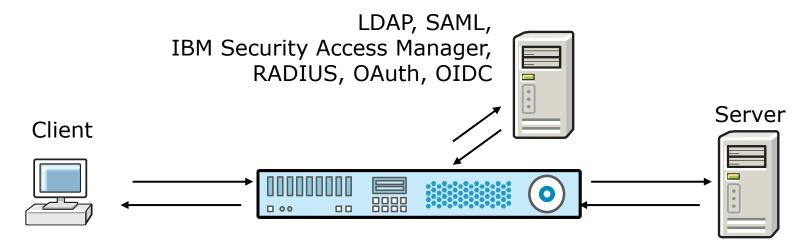
Example AAA XML file

```
<aaa:AAAInfo
              xmlns:aaa="http://www.datapower.com/AAAInfo">
      <aaa:FormatVersion>1</aaa:FormatVersion>
      <aaa:Filename>local:///AddressInfo.xml</aaa:Filename>
      <aaa:Summary>
              AAA file to validate credentials for Address users
      </aaa:Summary>
      <aaa:Authenticate>
              <aaa:Username>AddressAdmin</aaa:Username>
               <aaa:Password>password</aaa:Password>
               <aaa:OutputCredential>
                       AddressUser
              </aaa:OutputCredential>
      </aaa:Authenticate>
</aaa:AAAInfo>
```

Lightweight Third Party Authentication

- Lightweight Third Party Authentication (LTPA) is a single sign-on (SSO) credential format for distributed, multiple application server environments
 - LTPA is a proprietary token type that the IBM WebSphere Application Server and Lotus Domino products use
- The purpose of LTPA is threefold:
 - Propagates the caller identity through a unique identifier of the client
 - Establishes a trust relationship between two servers, with one as the client and one as the server, through a signed token
 - Keeps the information within the token secret by signing and encrypting the token
 - A set of key files must be uploaded to the DataPower gateway to decrypt and validate the digital signature within the token

External access control resource



- Delegates the authentication and authorization task to an external security system
- The authentication and authorization tasks can be delegated to the same system or to separate systems
 - For example, an LDAP directory tracks client identities, while IBM Security Access Manager determines whether the client has access to the specified resource
 - The map credentials and map resource steps convert the security token to match the input that the authorization step requires

Lightweight Directory Access Protocol

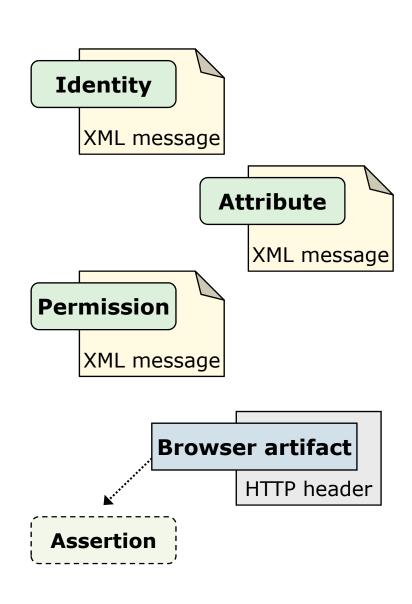
- LDAP provides a means of storing and retrieving information about people, groups, or objects on a centralized X.500 or LDAP directory server
 - X.500 enables the information to be organized and queried, by LDAP, from multiple web servers by various attributes
 - LDAP reduces system resources by including only a functional subset of the original X.500 Directory Access Protocol (DAP)
- A few facts about LDAP:
 - An LDAP directory is a tree of directory entries
 - The distinguished name (DN) is a unique identifier for entries
 - A bind operation authenticates the client by sending the client's distinguished name and password in cleartext
 - Use an SSL connection to keep LDAP queries secret

Security Assertion Markup Language

- SAML provides an XML-based framework for exchanging authentication, authorization, and attribute assertions between the entities
 - Provides a standard, platform-neutral way for exchanging security information between a security system and an application that trusts the security system
 - Expands the authentication and authorization trust model from existing systems by allowing new systems to delegate trust management to other systems
 - Includes protocol for requesting this information from security authorities
 - For example, SOAP and HTTP bindings

Types of SAML assertions

- Three main types of XML-based SAML assertions exist:
 - Authentication assertions represent the identity of the specified subject that another entity verifies
 - Attribute assertions represent any attributes that are associated with the specified subject
 - Authorization decision assertions represent whether the specified subject is granted or denied access to a specified resource
- In addition, the HTTP binding provides a non-XML reference:
 - A SAML artifact that is embedded in the URL query string provides a reference to an actual SAML assertion that is stored in a remote site



Scenario 4: Authorize valid SAML assertions

- Create an access control policy that handles client SOAP web service requests with the following conditions:
 - A SAML authentication assertion holds the requesting client identity
 - Accepts the claimed identity of the client if the digital signature of the SAML assertion is valid
 - The requested resource is defined as an attribute in the SAML assertion
 - Allows any authenticated client with a specific SAML attribute access to the web service operation

Scenario 4: SAML authentication statement (1 of 2)

```
<saml:Assertion xmlns:saml="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.0:assertion"</pre>
xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.0:protocol"
AssertionID="IDd600a593-4e13-44d9-829a-3055600c46ca"
 IssueInstant="2006-07-28T18:51:02Z"
               Issuer=http://training.ibm.com/security/
MajorVersion="1" MinorVersion="1">
  <saml:Conditions NotBefore="2006-07-28T18:51:02Z"</pre>
               NotOnOrAfter="2006-07-28T18:54:02Z"/>
  <saml:AuthenticationStatement</pre>
               AuthenticationInstant="2006-07-28T18:51:02Z"
   AuthenticationMethod="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.0:am:unspecified">
    <saml:Subject>
      <saml:NameIdentifier</pre>
       Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:unspecified"
       NameQualifier="http://address.training.ibm.com">
        admin
      </saml:NameIdentifier>
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Scenario 4: SAML authentication statement (2 of 2)

Scenario 4: SAML attribute statement (1 of 2)

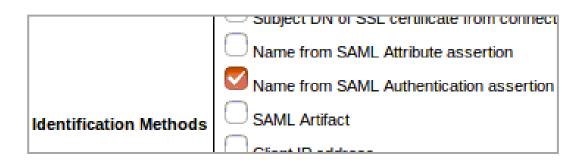
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 ... MajorVersion="1" MinorVersion="1">
  <saml:Conditions NotBefore="2006-07-28T18:51:02Z"</pre>
  NotOnOrAfter="2006-07-28T18:54:02Z"/>
  <saml:AttributeStatement>
    <saml:Subject>
      <saml:NameIdentifier</pre>
       Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:unspecified"
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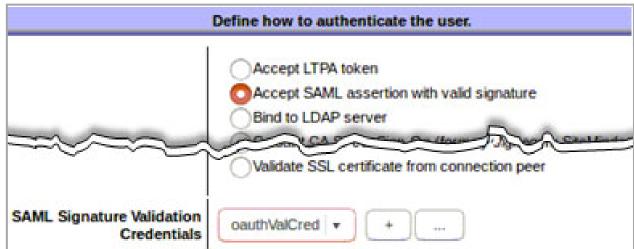
Scenario 4: SAML attribute statement (2 of 2)

. (continued from previous slide) <saml:Attribute</pre> AttributeName="EastAddressSearch" AttributeNamespace="http://address.training.ibm.com"> <saml:AttributeValue> Query </saml:AttributeValue> </saml:Attribute> </saml:AttributeStatement> </saml:Assertion>

Scenario 4: Identify and authenticate the client

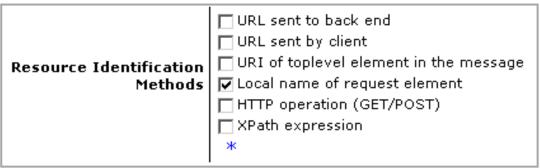
- Create a AAA
 policy object on the DataPower gateway
- Extract the client's identity by the Name from SAML Authentication assertion option
- 3. For the authentication method, select Accept a SAML assertion with valid signature
 - Specify the validation credential for the SAML signature
 - If blank, certificate validation is skipped
- 4. Leave the identity mapping method at **None**

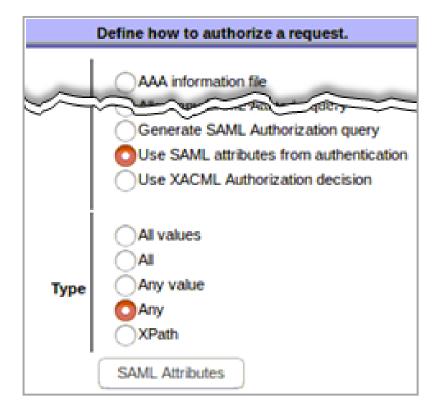




Scenario 4: Authorize access to resources

- Select Local name of request element as the resource extraction method
 - The name of the child element in the SOAP body of the request is the request element name
- 6. For the authorization method, Use SAML attributes from authentication
 - Set the SAML attribute that matches type as **Any**
- Click SAML Attributes from the authentication method page





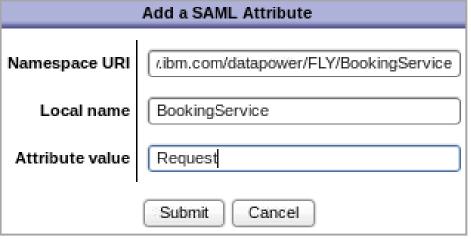


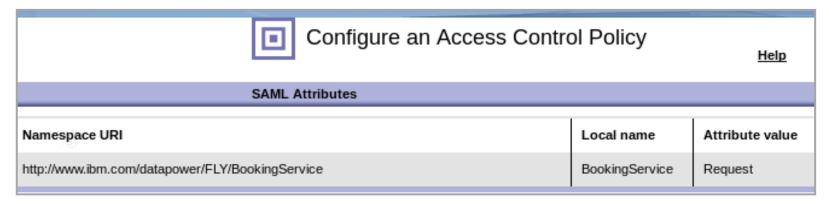
Scenario 4: Match SAML attributes

8. On the **SAML Attributes** page, click **Add**

Declare the expected SAML attribute values within an SAML attribute statement

- The namespace URI and local name represent the qualified name for the SAML attribute
- The attribute value is application-specific; it can be used to represent the identity of the client or the name of a requested resource





Access control policy by SAML information

- Identity extraction methods:
 - Name from SAML attribute assertion <saml:Subject> element
 - Name from SAML authentication assertion <saml:Subject> element
 - SAML browser artifact from the URL query string
- Authentication methods:
 - Accept a SAML assertion with a valid signature
 - Retrieve SAML assertions corresponding to a SAML browser artifact
 - Contact a SAML server for a SAML authentication statement
- Authorization methods:
 - Generate a SAML authorization query
 - Generate a SAML attribute query
- Postprocessing:
 - Generate a SAML V1.0, V1.1, or V2.0 assertion

Unit summary

- Describe the AAA framework within the DataPower Gateway
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- Authenticate and authorize requests with:
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 - HTTP Authorization header claims
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Review questions

- True or False: To authenticate a client without using an external access control resource, you can compare the client's credentials against a custom DataPower AAA information file or validate the digital signature that is used to sign the credential.
- ?

- 2. True or False: If the Authenticate step fails, the Extract Resource step is not attempted.
- True or False: The postprocessing step in an access control policy adds more information to the outgoing request message or transforms the message itself.

Review answers

- 1. <u>True</u> or False: To authenticate a client without using an external access control resource, you can compare the client's credentials against a custom DataPower AAA information file or validate the digital signature that is used to sign the credential. The answer is True.
- True or <u>False</u>: If the Authenticate step fails, the Extract Resource step is not attempted.
 The answer is <u>False</u>. Even if the Authenticate step fails, the Extract Resource step occurs. In fact, although the authentication might fail, the Authorize step always occurs because all requests might be allowed.
- 3. <u>True</u> or False: The postprocessing step in an access control policy adds more information to the outgoing request message or transforms the message itself.

 The answer is <u>True</u>. Extra tokens such as a SAML assertion or LTPA token can be added to the original message. The postprocessing

step also supports using a stylesheet or GatewayScript for further

processing of the message.

Exercise: Configuring authentication and authorization in a service



Exercise objectives

- Configure a AAA action to enforce authentication and authorization policies that are in a AAA information file
- Configure a AAA action to enforce authentication and authorization policies that are in an LDAP server

