

Importance of Security

- **Ensuring Robust Authentication and Authorization:** Implementing strong security measures helps safeguard applications from unauthorized access.
- **Comprehensive Security Measures:** Applications should be protected at multiple levels to prevent vulnerabilities.
- **Security as a Growing Concern:** Modern applications face increasing risks from various attack vectors, making it essential to stay proactive.

OWASP Top Ten (2021)

The **Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP)** highlights the most critical security risks for web applications. The 2021 Top 10 list includes:

- 1. Broken Access Control**
- 2. Cryptographic Failures** (e.g., use of deprecated algorithms like MD5, SHA1)
- 3. Injection Attacks:**
 - Example: Using unvalidated input in SQL queries, such as:
SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = 'userInput';
 - Risk: Queries that allow `username = 'navin' OR 1=1` can expose all user data.
 - **Prevention:** Use prepared statements to prevent SQL injection.
- 4. Insecure Design**
- 5. Security Misconfiguration** (e.g., default configurations in use)
- 6. Vulnerable and Outdated Components**
- 7. Identification and Authentication Failures**
- 8. Software and Data Integrity Failures**
- 9. Security Logging and Monitoring Failures**
- 10. Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF)**

Note:

You can see the latest top 10 OWASP attacks: [OWASP Top 10 Attacks](#)

Creating a Spring Security Project

To start a basic Spring Security project:

Controller Setup:

```
package com.spring.security.controller;

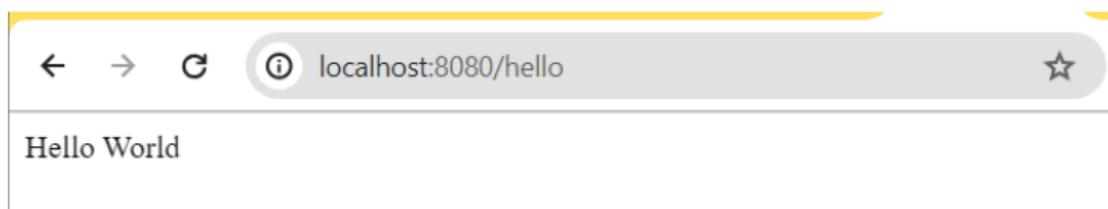
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.GetMapping;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RestController;

@RestController
public class HelloController {
    @GetMapping("/hello")
    public String greet() {
        return "Hello World";
    }
}
```

Initial Behavior:

- By default, any user can access this endpoint without restrictions.

Illustrate the default access with an image showing a successful "/hello" endpoint call.



- **Next Step:** To secure this endpoint so that only authenticated users can access it, enable Spring Security.

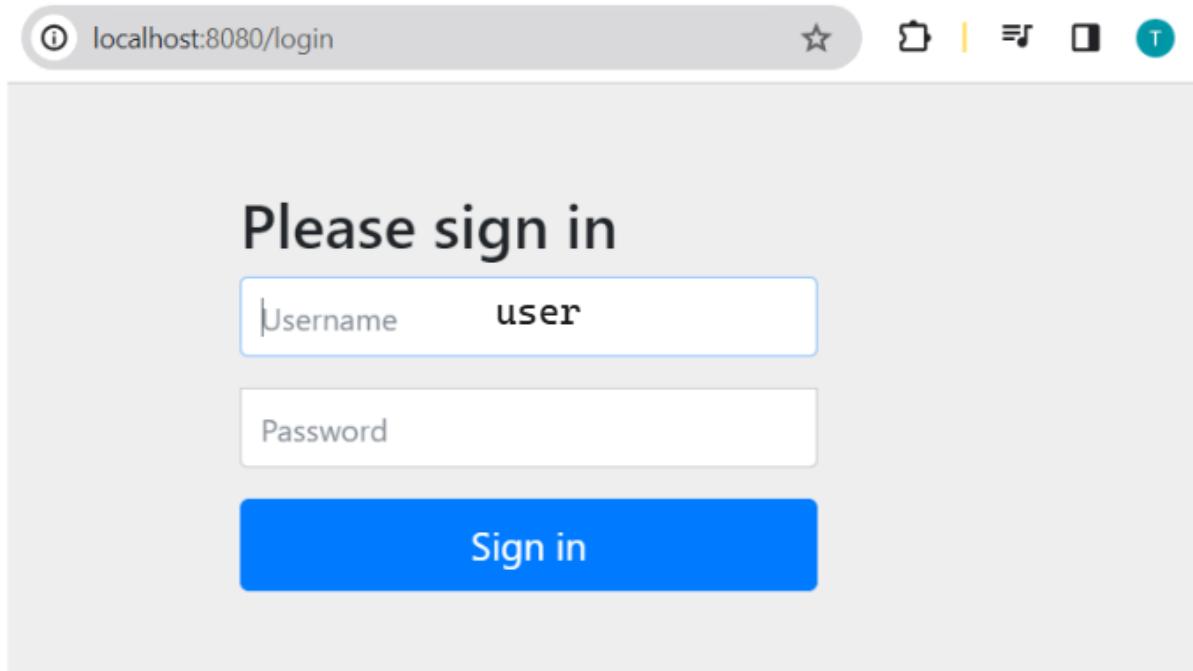
Default Login Form in Spring Security

Add spring-security dependency into your application:

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
  <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-security</artifactId>
</dependency>
```

When you add Spring Security as a dependency:

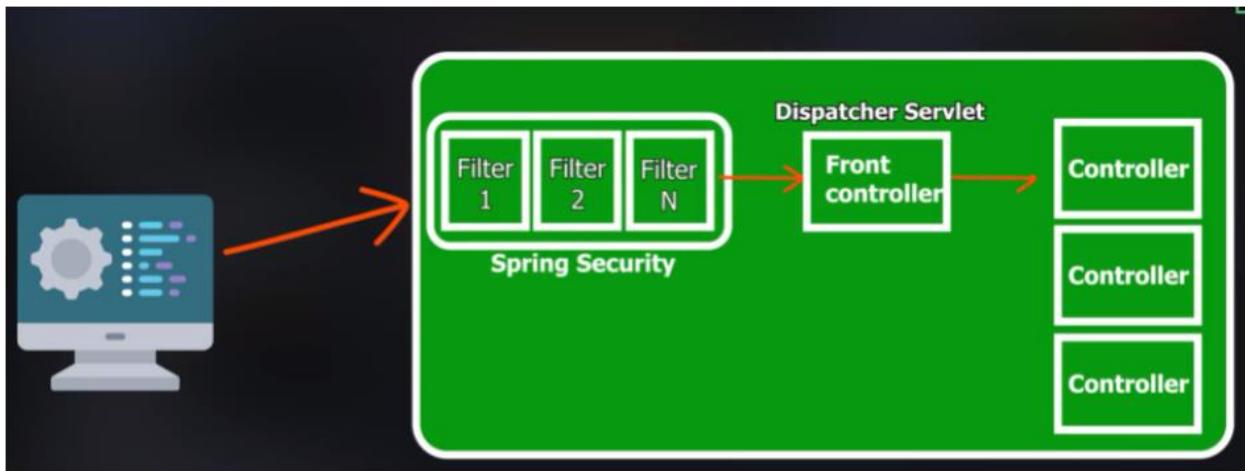
- **Automatic Features:**
 1. All APIs become private.
 2. A default login form is generated for user authentication.
- **Initial Password:** Spring Security generates a default password on application startup (e.g., `fed7bbd5-e48d-4f2a-8cff-d2672d6324ca`).



Visualizing the Security Flow

Spring Security integrates seamlessly with the application's front controller and intercepts requests through filters:

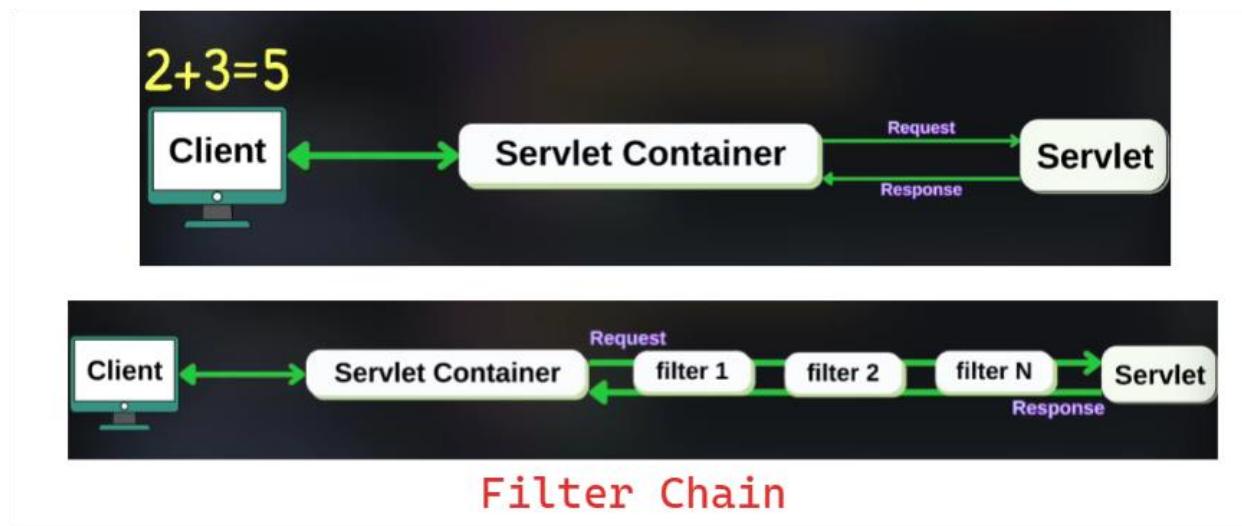
- **Filter Chain:** Requests pass through multiple security filters before reaching the controller.



By implementing these concepts, your Spring Boot application will have robust security controls that protect against common vulnerabilities.

Spring Security Filter Chain

- **Overview:** The filter chain is a sequence of filters that handle requests before they reach the controller. These filters process authentication, authorization, and other security-related tasks.
- **Flow:**
 1. Client sends a request.
 2. The request passes through various security filters (Filter 1, Filter 2, etc.).
 3. The servlet container processes it, and then it reaches the servlet/controller.



- Spring security used multiple filters like **DefaultSecurityFilterChain**, **WebAsyncManagerIntegrationFilter**, **SecurityContextHolderFilter**, **LogoutFilter**, etc.

Session ID

What is a session ID ?: A session ID is a unique identifier generated by the server for each user session. It helps manage user state across multiple requests.

Example Code:

```
package com.spring.security.controller;

import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.GetMapping;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RestController;
import jakarta.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest;

@RestController
public class HelloController {

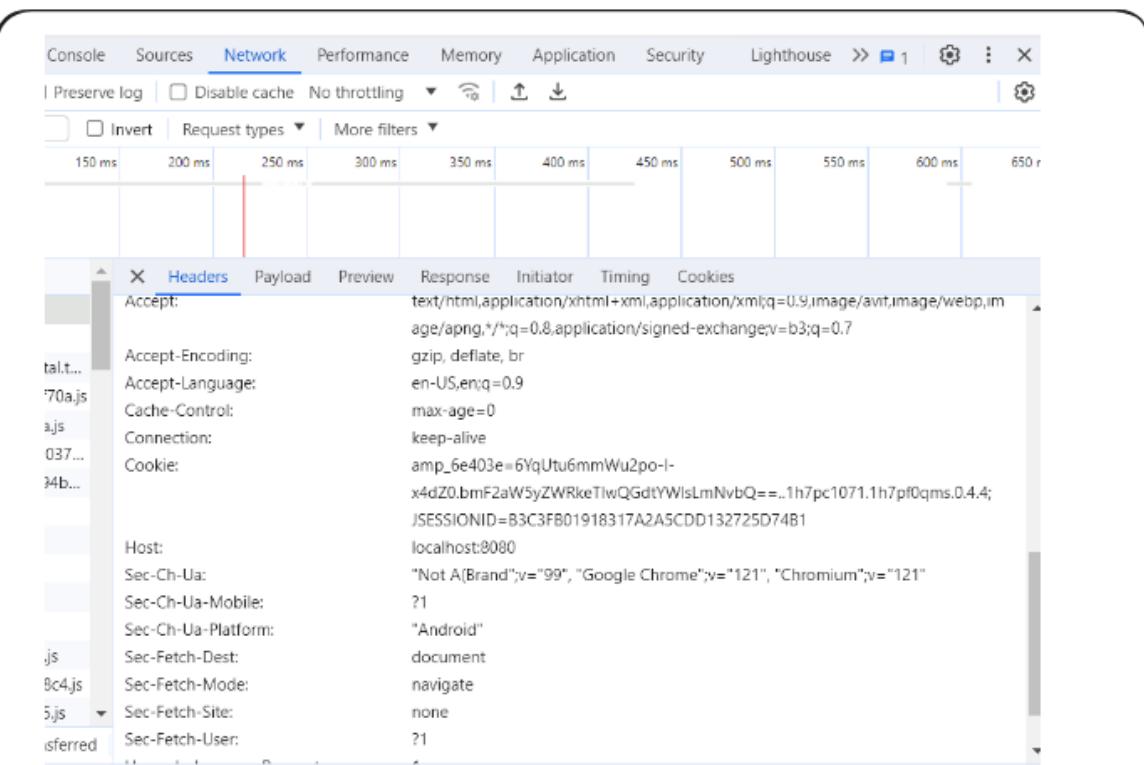
    @GetMapping("/hello")
    public String greet(HttpServletRequest request) {

        return "Hello World " + request.getSession().getId();
    }

    @GetMapping("/about")
    public String about(HttpServletRequest request) {

        return "About Page Session ID: " + request.getSession().getId();
    }
}
```

- **Note:** Each time a user logs in, a different session ID is generated to maintain unique sessions.



The screenshot shows the Network tab in Chrome DevTools. A specific request for 'about' is selected, displaying its headers. The 'Headers' section is active, showing the following key entries:

- Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
- Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
- Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
- Cache-Control: max-age=0
- Connection: keep-alive
- Cookie: amper_6e403e=6YqUtu6mmWu2po-lx4dZ0.lbmF2aW5yZWRkeIkwQGdtYWlsLmNvbQ==..1h7pc1071.1h7pf0qms.0.4.4; JSESSIONID=B3C3FB01918317A2A5CDD132725D74B1
- Host: localhost:8080
- Sec-Ch-Ua: "Not A(Brand";v="99", "Google Chrome";v="121", "Chromium";v="121"
- Sec-Ch-Ua-Mobile: ?1
- Sec-Ch-Ua-Platform: "Android"
- Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
- Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
- Sec-Fetch-Site: none
- Sec-Fetch-User: ?1

Everytime we login we get different Session ID



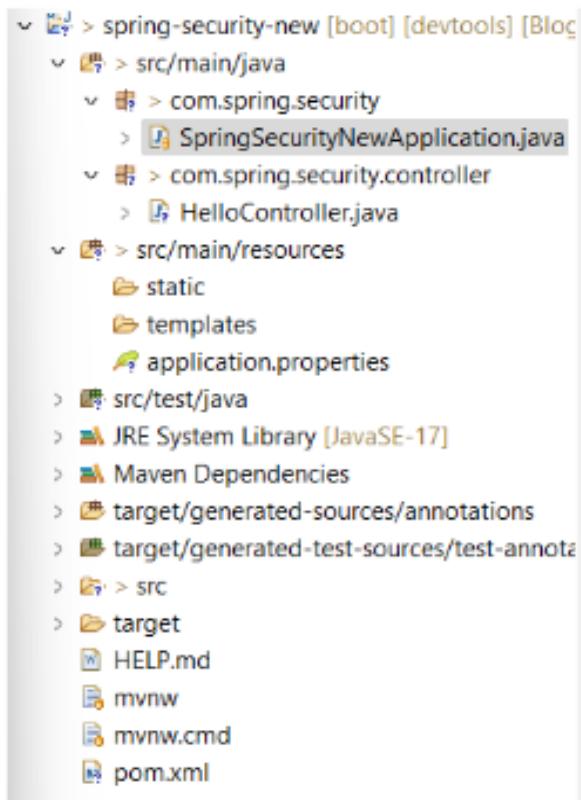
A screenshot of a browser window showing the URL 'localhost:8080/about'. Below the address bar, the session ID 'B3C3FB01918317A2A5CDD132725D74B1' is visible in the page content.

Setting Username and Password

Configuration: You can set a basic username and password in **application.properties**.

```
spring.security.user.name=shiva  
spring.security.user.password=root
```

- **Important:** Hardcoding passwords is discouraged in production. Use environment variables or a secure vault.
- **Scenario:** For REST APIs, consider implementing a more dynamic form of authentication rather than hardcoded credentials.



Basic Auth Using Postman

Testing with Postman:

- When accessing secured endpoints without authentication, you receive a **401 Unauthorized** error.
- To send authenticated requests, use Postman's Basic Authorization feature:
 1. Go to the Authorization tab.
 2. Select **Basic Auth** and provide the username and password.

Example Request:

- Without authentication: **401 Unauthorized**
- With authentication: Success response with data.

The screenshot shows the Postman interface with a failed request. The URL field contains "localhost:8080/hello". The status bar at the bottom indicates a **401 Unauthorized** response. The Headers tab shows 8 items, while the Body tab is empty. The Response tab displays the error message: "401 Unauthorized".

🌐 401 Unauthorized 468 ms 506 B ⚒ Save as example ⚖

401 Unauthorized

Similar to 403 Forbidden, but specifically for use when authentication is possible but has failed or not yet been provided. The response must include a WWW-Authenticate header field containing a challenge applicable to the requested resource.

GET localhost:8080/hello Send

Params Auth ● Headers (9) Body Pre-req. Tests Settings Cookies

Type Basic Auth

The authorization header will be automatically generated when you send the request. Learn more about [Basic Auth](#) authorization.

① Heads up! These parameters hold sensitive data. To keep this data secure while working in a collaborative environment, we recommend using variables. Learn more about [variables](#).

Username shiva

Password root

Body

🌐 200 OK 178 ms 467 B ⚒ Save as example ⚖

Pretty Raw Preview Visualize Text ⚖

1 Hello World 1A2323674C124A8B69E7DB1418ED899D

What is CSRF?

CSRF (Cross-Site Request Forgery) is a web security vulnerability that tricks a user into performing an unwanted action on a website they are currently authenticated to.

How it works:

1. **Malicious Website:** A malicious website (e.g., a phishing site or an ad) contains a hidden link or form that targets the victim's legitimate website.
2. **User Action:** The user is tricked into visiting the malicious website or clicking on a link/button.
3. **Unauthorized Request:** The malicious website sends a request (e.g., transferring funds, changing passwords) to the victim's website in the background, using their active session.
4. **Action Performed:** Since the victim is already logged in, the website authenticates the request and performs the action, without the victim's knowledge or consent.

Example:

Imagine you're logged into your bank's website. A malicious website might contain a hidden form that attempts to transfer money from your account to the attacker's account. If you visit the malicious website, the form is submitted in the background, and your bank might unknowingly process the transaction.

Prevention Techniques:

- **Same-Site Cookies:** Browsers now support the "SameSite" attribute for cookies, which restricts cookies to only be sent with requests from the same origin as the one that set the cookie.
- **CSRF Tokens:** Implementing CSRF tokens adds a unique, unpredictable value to every request. The server checks this token to ensure the request originated from the expected source.
- **HTTP Strict Transport Security (HSTS):** Enforces HTTPS connections, making it harder for attackers to intercept and modify requests.

Key Takeaways:

- CSRF is a serious security threat that can have significant financial and data loss implications.
 - Implementing robust security measures like Same-Site cookies and CSRF tokens is essential for protecting web applications from this vulnerability.
-  By default spring security will implement CSRF for POST, PUT & DELETE request types but not for GET because, it not perform any changes.

Sending CSRF Token

Purpose of the **getCsrfToken** Method:

- This method is used to fetch the Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) token from the `HttpServletRequest` object.
- It retrieves the token stored under the attribute "`_csrf`" in the request.

CSRF Token Retrieval:

- CSRF tokens are a security mechanism to prevent unauthorized or malicious actions on behalf of authenticated users.

In this implementation, the token is extracted using:

```
return (CsrfToken) request.getAttribute("_csrf");
```

Endpoint:

- The endpoint "`/csrf-token`" is mapped to this method, which allows clients (e.g., frontend applications) to retrieve the CSRF token as needed for secure communications.

Practical Use Case:

- The retrieved token can be sent to the client (e.g., in the response body or headers) and is expected to be included in subsequent requests requiring CSRF protection.

Spring Security Integration:

- This method assumes that Spring Security is configured to handle CSRF tokens automatically, where tokens are generated and managed for each session or request.
- The attribute "`_csrf`" is a standard key used by Spring Security to store the CSRF token.

Usage in Client Requests:

- When performing actions like POST, PUT, or DELETE, the client must include this token in the request headers (e.g., **X-CSRF-Token**) or as a hidden form field.

Security Best Practices:

- Ensure that this endpoint ("**/csrf-token**") is not exposed to unauthorized access.
- Use HTTPS to protect the transmission of the CSRF token.
- Avoid caching responses from this endpoint, as CSRF tokens are session-specific.

StudentsController.java

```
@RestController
public class StudentController {

    @Autowired
    private StudentService studentService;

    @GetMapping("/csrf-token")
    public CsrfToken getCsrfToken(HttpServletRequest request) {
        return (CsrfToken) request.getAttribute("_csrf");
    }

    @GetMapping("/students")
    public ResponseEntity<List<Student>> getStudents(){
        return ResponseEntity.ok(studentService.getStudents());
    }

    @PostMapping("/students")
    public ResponseEntity<Student> addStudent(@RequestBody Student student ){
        if(studentService.addStudent(student)) {
            return ResponseEntity.ok(student);
        }else {
            return ResponseEntity.internalServerError().build();
        }
    }

}
```

The screenshot shows the Postman interface with a successful API call. The URL is `http://localhost:8080/about`. The method is `GET`, and the response status is `200 OK` with `583 B` of data. The `Headers (12)` tab is selected, showing two headers: `Accept` (value: `application/json`) and `X-CSRF-TOKEN`. The `Body` tab displays a JSON response with a token and its parameters:

```
1 "token":  
2     "SGbHajAMqqM47kzfSzF4rNn0zn8hw1oFAXs1VMK-HivlH8dxKQL-WQdvnpzVjXjuexxMmr3E40YToj8oNkn..._QKKFC"  
3     ,  
4     "headerName": "X-CSRF-TOKEN",  
5     "parameterName": "_csrf"
```

Now after adding csrf token:

The screenshot shows the Postman interface with a successful API call. The URL is `http://localhost:8080/students`. The method is `POST`, and the response status is `200 OK` with `583 B` of data. The `Headers (12)` tab is selected, showing one header: `X-CSRF-TOKEN` with value `s6t_0jPG54kD0QaT0zK49oQC...`.

POST Send

Params Auth Headers (12) Body Pre-req. Tests Settings Cookies

raw JSON Beautify

```
1 {  
2   "id":3,  
3   "name":"navin",  
4   "tech":"spring-boot"  
5 }
```

Body 200 OK 301 ms 467 B Save as example

Pretty Raw Preview Visualize JSON

```
1 {  
2   "id": 3,  
3   "name": "navin",  
4   "tech": "spring-boot"  
5 }
```

Same Site Strict

In application.properties

`server.servlet.session.cookie.same-site=strict`

Setting the `server.servlet.session.cookie.same-site` property to "**strict**" provides an important security benefit by enhancing protection against Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) attacks.

When a cookie is set with the "**SameSite**" attribute set to "**strict**", the browser will only include the cookie in a request if the request originated from the same site as the one that set the cookie. This helps prevent malicious websites from making requests to your server on behalf of the user, thereby reducing the risk of CSRF attacks.

By setting the "**SameSite**" attribute to "**strict**", you're ensuring that cookies containing session information are only sent in requests that originate from your own site. This helps protect sensitive user data and prevents unauthorized access to user sessions. Overall, it strengthens the security posture of your web application.

Rest Application: Most of time Stateless

Security Configuration

The provided `SecurityConfig` class demonstrates how to configure security for a Spring Boot application using a custom implementation of the `SecurityFilterChain`. This approach allows for fine-grained control over HTTP security configurations.

SecurityConfig.java

```
package com.spring.security.config;

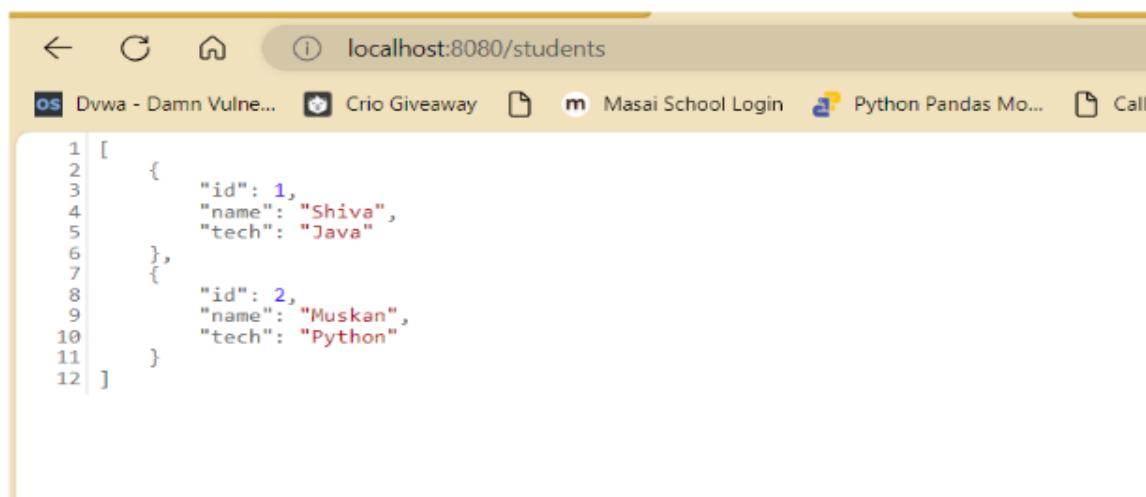
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Configuration;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.builders.HttpSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.EnableWebSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.web.SecurityFilterChain;

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {

        return http.build();
    }
}
```

Note: After creating an object of `SecurityFilterChain` on your own. And writing my own logic. I found that they do not ask for authentication.



Disabling CSRF Token

Approaches to Configure Security

Your images show two approaches to configuring security and disabling CSRF:

1. Lambda Way:

- Configuration uses functional programming with lambdas for concise and readable syntax.

2. Imperative Way:

- Configuration uses traditional imperative-style method calls.

Both achieve the same result but differ in style.

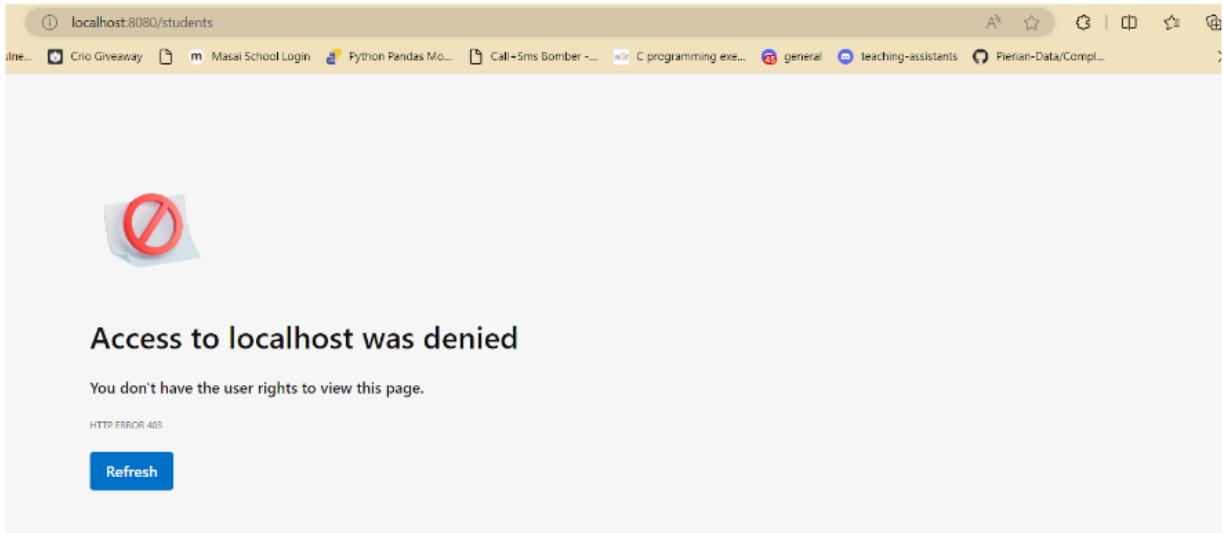
Lambda Way Configuration

Example:

```
@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
        http
            .csrf(csrf -> csrf.disable()) // Disabling CSRF
            .authorizeHttpRequests(request -> request.anyRequest().authenticated());
// Allowing only authenticated requests

        return http.build();
    }
}
```



Behavior:

- **CSRF Disabled:**
 - No CSRF token is required for POST, PUT, or DELETE requests.
- **Authentication Required:**
 - All endpoints require authentication.
- **Output:**
 - If accessed without proper credentials, an "Access Denied" error is shown.

Example:

```
@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
        http.csrf(customizer->customizer.disable());
        http.authorizeHttpRequests(request->request.anyRequest().authenticated());
        http.formLogin(Customizer.withDefaults());

        return http.build();
    }
}
```

Behavior:

- **CSRF Disabled:**
 - Like the lambda approach, CSRF tokens are not needed.
- **Form-Based Authentication:**
 - Users are prompted with a login form for authentication.
- **Output:**
 - Upon accessing secured endpoints without credentials, users see a login page instead of "Access Denied."

Stateless Configuration (Sessionless)

Example:

```

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
        http
            .csrf(csrf -> csrf.disable()) // Disable CSRF protection

            // Configure authentication
            .authorizeHttpRequests(request -> request.anyRequest().authenticated())

            // Add Basic Authentication
            .httpBasic()
    }
}

```

```
// Stateless sessions
.and()
.sessionManagement(session -> session
    .sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS));

    return http.build();
}
}
```

Behavior:

- **Stateless Sessions:**
 - The server does not maintain session information.
 - Common for REST APIs, where each request is authenticated independently.
- **Output:**
 - REST APIs become simpler and more compatible with token-based authentication systems like JWT.

Key Takeaways:

1. **CSRF Disabled:**
 - Removing CSRF makes APIs easier to use for stateless services.
 - Ensure other forms of authentication (e.g., token-based) are in place.
2. **Lambda vs Imperative:**
 - Both styles work; choose based on readability and team preferences.
3. **Stateless Configuration:**
 - Suitable for REST APIs.
 - Requires enabling **SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS** to avoid session tracking.
4. **Form Login vs Basic Auth:**
 - **Form Login:** Preferred for user-facing web applications.
 - **Basic Auth:** Best for APIs or development/testing.

Without Lambda

1. Lambda-Based Configuration:

- The first block of code (commented out) demonstrates configuring the `HttpSecurity` object using lambdas.
- The lambda expressions simplify the code by allowing concise, in-line customization.
- Code like `http.csrf(csrfCustomizer -> csrfCustomizer.disable());` and `http.authorizeHttpRequests(request -> request.anyRequest().authenticated());` show how easy it is to express configurations using lambda expressions.

2. Without Lambda Configuration:

- The second block of code (also commented out) shows an equivalent configuration without using lambdas.
- A `Customizer` implementation is explicitly created and passed to methods like `http.csrf()` and `http.authorizeHttpRequests()`.
- This approach is more verbose and may be preferable for those who need clearer readability or are working in environments without lambda support.

3. Functional Configuration (Lambda-based):

- The last block of code is an active configuration using lambda expressions for better readability and conciseness.
- Each configuration aspect (e.g., disabling CSRF, configuring HTTP basic authentication, and session management) is compactly expressed.

SecurityConfig.java

```
@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {

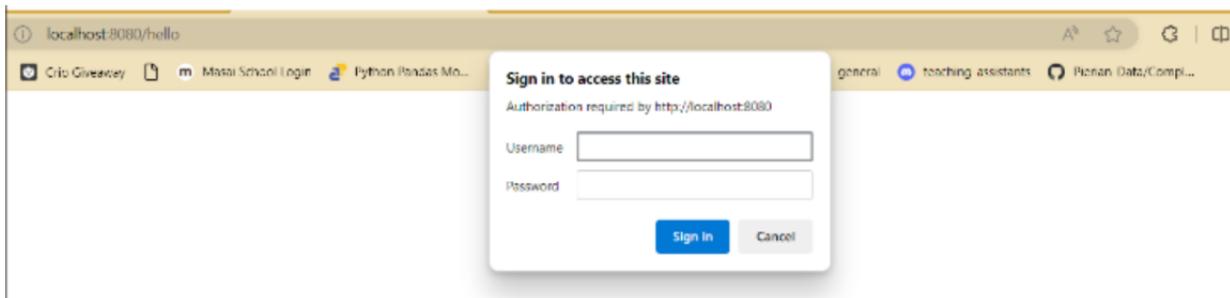
    //      @Bean
    //      public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
    //          http.csrf(customizer->customizer.disable());
    //          http.authorizeHttpRequests(request->request.anyRequest().authenticated());
    //          http.formLogin(Customizer.withDefaults());
    //          http.httpBasic(Customizer.withDefaults());
    //          http.sessionManagement(session-
    >session.sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS));
    //
    //          return http.build();
    //      }

    //without lambda
    //      @Bean
    //      public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
    //
    //          Customizer<CsrfConfigurer<HttpSecurity>> custCsrf= new
    Customizer<CsrfConfigurer<HttpSecurity>>() {
    //
    //              @Override
    //              public void customize(CsrfConfigurer<HttpSecurity> configure) {
    //                  configure.disable();
    //              }
    //
    //          };
    //          http.csrf(custCsrf);
    //
    //          Customizer<AuthorizeHttpRequestsConfigurer<HttpSecurity>.AuthorizationManagerR
    equestMatcherRegistry> custHttp= new
    Customizer<AuthorizeHttpRequestsConfigurer<HttpSecurity>.AuthorizationManagerRequest
    MatcherRegistry>() {
    //
    //              @Override
    //              public void
    customize(AuthorizeHttpRequestsConfigurer<HttpSecurity>.AuthorizationManagerRequestMa
    tcherRegistry request) {
    //
    //                  request.anyRequest().authenticated();
    //
    //              }
    //
    //          };
    //          http.authorizeHttpRequests(custHttp);
    //
    //          return http.build();
    //      }
}
```

```
@Bean
public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
    http.csrf(customizer->customizer.disable())
        .authorizeHttpRequests(request->request.anyRequest().authenticated())
        .httpBasic(Customizer.withDefaults())
        .sessionManagement(session- >
            session.sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS));

    return http.build();
}
```

Getting Ready for User Database:



- For every request, a new session ID is created. It means a stateless way of sending a request.
- Now the second problem We do not have more than one user, but we need multiple users with different permissions.
- Now, for that we need a database in memory or a MySQL database.

Working with Multiple Users

Overview:

When using Spring Security, if no specific `UserDetailsService` is defined, the framework uses a default configuration. However, you can define your own `UserDetailsService` to manage custom users with different roles and authorities.

Code Example for Custom In-Memory `UserDetailsService`:

```
@Bean
public UserDetailsService userDetailsService() {
    UserDetails user1 = User.withDefaultPasswordEncoder()
        .username("muskan")
        .password("root")
        .roles("USER")
        .build();

    UserDetails user2 = User.withDefaultPasswordEncoder()
        .username("admin")
        .password("root")
        .roles("ADMIN")
        .build();

    return new InMemoryUserDetailsManager(user1, user2);
}
```

Explanation:

- **UserDetailsService Bean:**
 - A `UserDetailsService` bean is created to define custom users.
 - The `User` class is a convenient way to create `UserDetails` instances.
- **User.withDefaultPasswordEncoder():**
 - Creates a user with a password encoder that stores passwords in plain text (not recommended for production).
- **User Definitions:**
 - Two users are defined:
 - `muskan` with the role `USER`.
 - `admin` with the role `ADMIN`.

- **InMemoryUserDetailsManager:**

- An in-memory implementation of **UserDetailsService** that takes the **UserDetails** objects (**user1** and **user2**) and stores them.

Complete **SecurityConfig.java** Example:

```
package com.spring.security.config;

import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Configuration;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.builders.HttpSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.EnableWebSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.User;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.provisioning.InMemoryUserDetailsManager;
import org.springframework.security.web.SecurityFilterChain;
import org.springframework.security.config.Customizer;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configurers.CsrfConfigurer;
import
org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configurers.AbstractHttpConfigurer;
import org.springframework.security.config.http.SessionCreationPolicy;

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
        http.csrf(Customizer.withDefaults())
            .authorizeHttpRequests(request -> request.anyRequest().authenticated())
            .httpBasic(Customizer.withDefaults())
            .sessionManagement(session ->
                session.sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS));
        return http.build();
    }

    @Bean
    public UserDetailsService userDetailsService() {
        UserDetails user1 = User.withDefaultPasswordEncoder()
            .username("muskan")
            .password("root")
            .roles("USER")
            .build();
    }
}
```

```
UserDetails user2 = User.withDefaultPasswordEncoder()
    .username("admin")
    .password("root")
    .roles("ADMIN")
    .build();

    return new InMemoryUserDetailsManager(user1, user2);
}
```

Notes:

- **@EnableWebSecurity**: Enables web security configuration.
- **UserDetailsService**: Interface to provide user details to Spring Security.
- **Security Filter Chain**:
 - Configures HTTP security settings like CSRF, basic authentication, and session management.
- **In-Memory Users**:
 - Ideal for quick setups, testing, or demos. For production, consider using a database-backed **UserDetailsService**.

Creating User Table And DB Properties

Let's see how to set up Spring Security with database authentication

- First, we need a database table to store user information. We'll create a users table with columns for:
 - id (primary key)
 - username
 - password
- We'll add records in users table

The screenshot shows a PostgreSQL database interface. At the top, there is a SQL query window containing the following code:

```
1 select * from users;
2
```

Below the query window are three tabs: "Data Output" (which is selected), "Messages", and "Notifications". Underneath these tabs is a toolbar with various icons for managing the table.

The main area displays the "users" table structure and its data. The table has four columns: "id" (PK integer), "username" (text), and "password" (text). There are two rows of data:

	id [PK] integer	username	password
1	1	kiran	n@789
2	2	harsh	h@123

- Database Configuration in `application.properties`

We need to tell our Spring application how to connect to the PostgreSQL database:

```
# PostgreSQL Database Configuration
spring.datasource.url=jdbc:postgresql://localhost:5432/telusko
spring.datasource.username=postgres
spring.datasource.password=0000
spring.datasource.driver-class-name=org.postgresql.Driver
```

➤ Adding Required Dependencies

To connect our Java application to the database using JPA, we need to add these dependencies to our pom.xml file:

```
# JPA dependency
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-data-jpa</artifactId>
</dependency>

# PostgreSQL dependency
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.postgresql</groupId>
    <artifactId>postgresql</artifactId>
    <scope>runtime</scope>
</dependency>
```

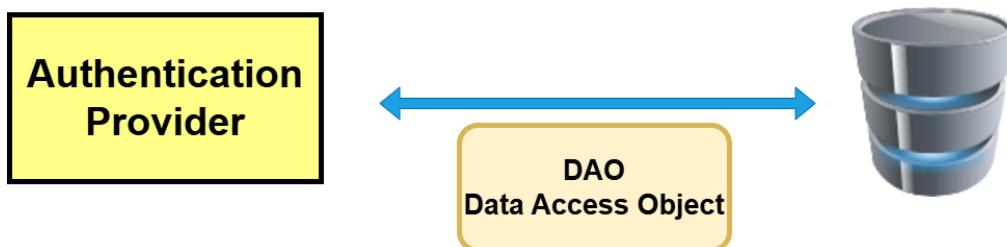
➤ Configuring Spring Security to Use Database Authentication

By default, Spring Security uses hardcoded values for authentication, but we want to use our database instead. We need to:

- ✚ Change the default Authentication Provider By default, Spring Security uses a built-in Authentication Provider that works with hardcoded values



- ✚ Switch to a database-aware Authentication Provider We need to configure a new Authentication Provider that connects to our database



- ✚ Create a Users entity class Finally, we need to specify how our application maps to the database table using a Users entity class. This class will represent our users table in Java code.

➤ This setup allows our Spring Security to authenticate users against the database instead of using hardcoded credentials. When a user attempts to log in, Spring Security will:

- Take the provided username and password
- Use the Authentication Provider to check these credentials against our database
- Grant or deny access based on whether the credentials match

AuthenticationProvider

When implementing Spring Security, the framework automatically provides a default Authentication Provider behind the scenes. However, for database authentication, we need to create our own custom Authentication Provider.

👉 Creating a Custom Authentication Provider

To connect our Spring Security with a database, we need to:

- Create a bean inside `SecurityConfig` class that returns an `AuthenticationProvider`
- Use `DaoAuthenticationProvider` which implements the `AuthenticationProvider` interface
- Configure this provider to work with our database
- Understanding the Class Hierarchy
 - `AuthenticationProvider` is an interface
 - `DaoAuthenticationProvider` is an implementation class for `AuthenticationProvider` interface
 - `DaoAuthenticationProvider` extends `AbstractUserDetailsAuthenticationProvider`
 - `AbstractUserDetailsAuthenticationProvider` implements `AuthenticationProvider`

👉 DaoAuthenticationProvider

Creating a `DaoAuthenticationProvider` object alone is not enough. It needs to know:

- Which database we're working with
- How to represent user data
- What the user table name is

👉 UserDetailsService

To provide this information, we need a `UserDetailsService`:

- The default `UserDetailsService` works with static values
- We need a custom implementation to work with database values
- We connect it to our provider using `setUserDetailsService()`

👉 PasswordEncoder

We also need to specify a password encoder:

- Use `setPasswordEncoder()` method

- For simple testing, we can use `NoOpPasswordEncoder.getInstance()`
- In production, you should use a secure encoder like BCrypt

Example:

```

● ● ●
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.config;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Configuration;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.AuthenticationProvider;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.dao.DaoAuthenticationProvider;
import org.springframework.security.config.Customizer;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.builders.HttpSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.EnableWebSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.http.SessionCreationPolicy;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.crypto.password.NoOpPasswordEncoder;
import org.springframework.security.web.SecurityFilterChain;

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {

    @Autowired
    private UserDetailsService userDetailsService;

    @Bean
    public AuthenticationProvider authProvider() {
        DaoAuthenticationProvider provider = new DaoAuthenticationProvider();
        provider.setUserDetailsService(userDetailsService);
        provider.setPasswordEncoder(NoOpPasswordEncoder.getInstance());
        return provider;
    }

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
        http.csrf(customizer -> customizer.disable())
            .authorizeHttpRequests(request -> request.anyRequest().authenticated())
            .httpBasic(Customizer.withDefaults())
            .sessionManagement(session -> session.sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS));

        return http.build();
    }

    // The commented code below shows the old in-memory authentication approach
    // that we're replacing with database authentication
    /*
     * @Bean public UserDetailsService userDetailsService() {
     *
     *     * UserDetails user=User
     *     *         .withDefaultPasswordEncoder()
     *     *         .username("navin")
     *     *         .password("n@123")
     *     *         .roles("USER")
     *     *         .build();
     *
     *     * UserDetails admin=User
     *     *         .withDefaultPasswordEncoder()
     *     *         .username("admin")
     *     *         .password("admin@789")
     *     *         .roles("ADMIN")
     *     *         .build();
     *
     *     * return new InMemoryUserDetailsManager(user,admin);
     * }
     */
}

```

- The `@Autowired private UserDetailsService userDetailsService;` needs to be implemented
 - We need to create a custom class that implements `UserDetailsService` to connect to our database
 - The Authentication Provider depends on `UserDetailsService` to know how to authenticate users
 - For production use, always use a secure password encoder (not `NoOpPasswordEncoder`)
- After setting up this configuration, you'll need to
- Create a class that implements `UserDetailsService`
 - Define how to fetch user details from your database
 - Map database user records to Spring Security's `UserDetails` objects

Creating A UserDetailsService

UserDetailsService is a core interface in Spring Security that loads user-specific data for authentication. When we want to authenticate users against a database instead of hardcoded values, we need to create our own implementation of this interface.

Create a class called **MyUserDetailsService** in the service layer that implements the **UserDetailsService** interface. This class will be responsible for fetching user information from our database when a user attempts to log in.

Example:

```
● ● ●
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.service;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UsernameNotFoundException;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;

@Service
public class MyUserDetailsService implements UserDetailsService {
    @Autowired
    private UserRepo repo;

    @Override
    public UserDetails loadUserByUsername(String username) throws UsernameNotFoundException
    {
        return null; // Will be implemented to fetch user from database
    }
}
```

➤ The **@Service** Annotation

Add the **@Service** annotation to class so Spring can detect it as a bean during component scanning. This allows it to be automatically injected into our **AuthenticationProvider** in the **SecurityConfig** class.

➤ **UserRepo** Dependency

To access database, autowire a **UserRepo** interface. This repository will handle all database operations needed to fetch user information.

➤ The **loadUserByUsername** Method

The most important part of this service is the **loadUserByUsername()** method:

- It takes a username as input
- It's called by Spring Security during authentication
- It should query the database for the user with the matching username
- It must return a **UserDetails** object containing the user's credentials and authorities
- If no user is found, it should throw a **UsernameNotFoundException**

User Repository

➤ Creating the User Repository

When working with JPA in Spring, we create a repository interface to interact with our database:

- Create an interface called **UserRepo** in the DAO (Data Access Object) layer
- It extends **JpaRepository** which provides built-in database operations
- The first type parameter (**User**) is the entity class that maps to our database table
- The second type parameter (**Integer**) is the type of our primary key
- Add the **@Repository** annotation to mark it as a Spring repository component

Example:

```
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.dao;

import org.springframework.data.jpa.repository.JpaRepository;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Repository;

@Repository
public interface UserRepo extends JpaRepository<User, Integer> {

}
```

➤ Creating the User Entity Class

For our repository to work, we need a User entity class that maps to our database table:

- Create this class in the model layer
- It has the same properties as our database table (id, username, password)
- **@Entity** marks this class as a JPA entity
- **@Table(name = "users")** specifies which database table this class maps to
- **@Id** marks the primary key field
- **@Data** is a Lombok annotation that automatically generates getters, setters, equals, hashCode, and toString methods

Example:

```
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.model;

import jakarta.persistence.Entity;
import jakarta.persistence.Id;
import jakarta.persistence.Table;
import lombok.AllArgsConstructor;
import lombok.Data;
import lombok.NoArgsConstructor;

@Data
@Table(name = "users")
@Entity
public class User {

    @Id
    private int id;
    private String username;
    private String password;

}
```

➤ Adding a Custom Query Method

To find a user by username, we add a custom query method to our repository:

- `findByUsername` is a custom method we define
- Spring Data JPA automatically implements this method based on the naming convention
- It will generate a query like `SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = ?`
- The method returns a single `User` object (or null if not found)

```
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.dao;

import org.springframework.data.jpa.repository.JpaRepository;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Repository;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.User;

@Repository
public interface UserRepo extends JpaRepository<User, Integer> {
    User findByUsername(String username);
}
```

➤ Using the Repository in UserDetailsService

Now we can use our repository in the `loadUserByUsername` method:

- Use the repository to find a user by their username
- Check if the user exists in the database
- If the user doesn't exist, we throw a `UsernameNotFoundException`

Example:

```
● ● ●

package com.telusko.springsecdemo.service;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UsernameNotFoundException;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.dao.UserRepo;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.User;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.UserPrincipal;

@Service
public class MyUserDetailsService implements UserDetailsService {
    @Autowired
    private UserRepo repo;

    @Override
    public UserDetails loadUserByUsername(String username) throws UsernameNotFoundException {
        User user = repo.findByUsername(username);

        if (user == null) {
            System.out.println("User 404");
            throw new UsernameNotFoundException("User 404");
        }

        return null
    }
}
```

UserDetails And UserPrincipal

In Spring Security, **UserDetails** is an interface that provides core user information. Spring Security needs this information to authenticate users and manage their access to resources. When we implement database authentication, we need to create a class that implements **UserDetails** to bridge our database User model with Spring Security's authentication system.

➤ Creating UserPrincipal Class

Create a class called **UserPrincipal** in the model package that implements the **UserDetails** interface:

Example:

```
● ● ●
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.model;

import java.util.Collection;
import java.util.Collections;

import org.springframework.security.core.GrantedAuthority;
import org.springframework.security.core.authority.SimpleGrantedAuthority;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;

public class UserPrincipal implements UserDetails {

    private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;

    private User user;

    public UserPrincipal(User user) {
        this.user = user;
    }

    @Override
    public Collection<? extends GrantedAuthority> getAuthorities() {
        return Collections.singleton(new SimpleGrantedAuthority("USER"));
    }

    @Override
    public String getPassword() {
        return user.getPassword();
    }

    @Override
    public String getUsername() {
        return user.getUsername();
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isAccountNonExpired() {
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isAccountNonLocked() {
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isCredentialsNonExpired() {
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isEnabled() {
        return true;
    }
}
```

1. Constructor

```
public UserPrincipal(User user) {  
    this.user = user;  
}
```

- Takes a **User** object (our database entity) and stores it
- This allows us to access the user's information from our database

2. getAuthorities()

```
@Override public Collection<? extends GrantedAuthority> getAuthorities() {  
    return Collections.singleton(new SimpleGrantedAuthority("USER"));  
}
```

- Returns the roles/permissions assigned to the user
- In this example, we're assigning a simple "USER" role to all users
- **Collections.singleton()** creates a collection with just one element
- For multiple roles, we would return a list of authorities

3. getPassword()

```
@Override public String getPassword() {  
    return user.getPassword();  
}  
  
• Returns the user's password from our database entity  
• Spring Security uses this to verify the password during authentication
```

4. getUsername()

```
@Override public String getUsername() {  
    return user.getUsername();  
}  
  
• Returns the user's username from our database entity  
• Used as the identifier for the user in Spring Security
```

5. Account Status Methods

```
@Override public boolean isAccountNonExpired() {  
    return true;  
}  
  
@Override public boolean isAccountNonLocked() {  
    return true;  
}
```

```

@Override public boolean isCredentialsNonExpired() {
    return true;
}

@Override public boolean isEnabled() {
    return true;
}

```

- These methods control various aspects of account status
- Returning `true` means the account is valid in all aspects
- In a more complex application, these might check database flags for account status

➤ Using UserPrincipal in UserDetailsService

In `MyUserDetailsService`, use the `UserPrincipal` class to wrap our database user:

Example:

```

● ● ●

package com.telusko.springsecdemo.service;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UsernameNotFoundException;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.dao.UserRepo;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.User;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.UserPrincipal;

@Service
public class MyUserDetailsService implements UserDetailsService {
    @Autowired
    private UserRepo repo;

    @Override
    public UserDetails loadUserByUsername(String username) throws UsernameNotFoundException {
        User user = repo.findByUsername(username);

        if (user == null) {
            System.out.println("User 404");
            throw new UsernameNotFoundException("User 404");
        }

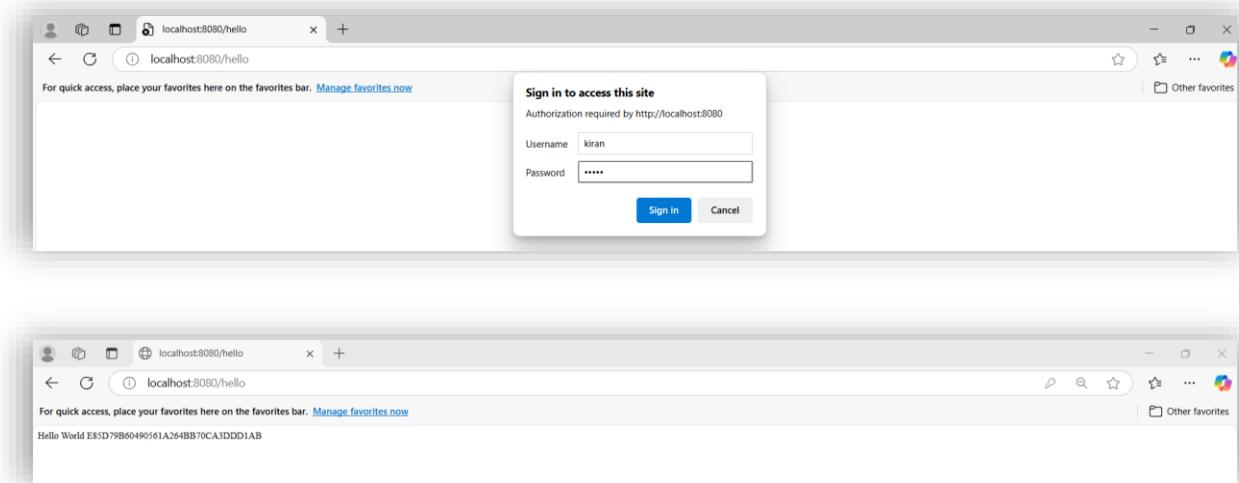
        return new UserPrincipal(user);
    }
}

```

- We fetch the `User` from the database using the repository
- If the user doesn't exist, we throw a `UsernameNotFoundException`
- If the user exists, we create a new `UserPrincipal` with the user data
- We return this `UserPrincipal` object, which Spring Security will use for authentication

- The `loadUserByUsername()` method is called during authentication
- It retrieves our database User entity
- We wrap this entity in a `UserPrincipal` object
- Spring Security uses the information from `UserPrincipal` to:
 - Verify the password
 - Check account status
 - Determine user authorities/roles

Output:



Summary Till Now

👉 Spring Security with Database Authentication: Complete Summary

➤ The Security Configuration

The heart of our Spring Security setup is the **SecurityConfig** class:

Example:

```
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.config;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Configuration;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.AuthenticationProvider;
import org.springframework.security.authentication.dao.DaoAuthenticationProvider;
import org.springframework.security.config.Customizer;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.builders.HttpSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.EnableWebSecurity;
import org.springframework.security.config.http.SessionCreationPolicy;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.crypto.password.NoOpPasswordEncoder;
import org.springframework.security.web.SecurityFilterChain;

@Configuration
@EnableWebSecurity
public class SecurityConfig {

    @Autowired
    private UserDetailsService userDetailsService;

    @Bean
    public AuthenticationProvider authProvider() {
        DaoAuthenticationProvider provider = new DaoAuthenticationProvider();
        provider.setUserDetailsService(userDetailsService);
        provider.setPasswordEncoder(NoOpPasswordEncoder.getInstance());
        return provider;
    }

    @Bean
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {
        http.csrf(customizer -> customizer.disable())
            .authorizeHttpRequests(request -> request.anyRequest().authenticated())
            .httpBasic(Customizer.withDefaults())
            .sessionManagement(session -> session.sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS));

        return http.build();
    }
}
```

- We use **@Configuration** and **@EnableWebSecurity** to mark this as a Spring Security configuration
- We create a custom **AuthenticationProvider** bean that uses database authentication
- We configure security settings like CSRF protection, authentication requirements, and session management

➤ The Custom UserDetailsService

To connect with our database, we implement the [UserDetailsService](#) interface:

Example:

```
● ● ●

package com.telusko.springsecdemo.service;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UsernameNotFoundException;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;

import com.telusko.springsecdemo.dao.UserRepo;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.User;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.UserPrincipal;

@Service
public class MyUserDetailsService implements UserDetailsService {

    @Autowired
    private UserRepo repo;

    @Override
    public UserDetails loadUserByUsername(String username) throws UsernameNotFoundException {
        User user = repo.findByUsername(username);

        if (user == null) {
            System.out.println("User 404");
            throw new UsernameNotFoundException("User 404");
        }
        return new UserPrincipal(user);
    }
}
```

- The [@Service](#) annotation makes this a Spring-managed bean that can be autowired
- We inject the [UserRepo](#) to access our database
- The [loadUserByUsername\(\)](#) method fetches a user by username from the database
- If the user exists, we wrap it in a [UserPrincipal](#) object and return it
- If the user doesn't exist, we throw a [UsernameNotFoundException](#)

➤ The Repository Layer

We create a **UserRepo** interface to interact with our database:

Example:

```
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.dao;

import org.springframework.data.jpa.repository.JpaRepository;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Repository;

import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.User;

@Repository
public interface UserRepo extends JpaRepository<User, Integer> {
    User findByUsername(String username);
}
```

- It extends **JpaRepository** to get basic CRUD operations for free
- We add a custom **findByUsername()** method to search by username
- Spring Data JPA automatically implements this method based on the name

➤ The User Entity

Our **User** class maps to the database table:

Example:

```
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.model;

import jakarta.persistence.Entity;
import jakarta.persistence.Id;
import jakarta.persistence.Table;
import lombok.AllArgsConstructor;
import lombok.Data;
import lombok.NoArgsConstructor;

@Data
@Table(name = "users")
@Entity
public class User {

    @Id
    private int id;
    private String username;
    private String password;
}
```

- `@Entity` and `@Table` annotations mark this as a JPA entity mapping to the "users" table
- It has fields corresponding to the database columns: id, username, and password
- `@Data` from Lombok generates getters, setters, equals, hashCode, and toString methods

➤ The UserPrincipal Class

This class adapts our database `User` to Spring Security's `UserDetails` interface:

Example:

```

package com.telusko.springsecdemo.model;

import java.util.Collection;
import java.util.Collections;

import org.springframework.security.core.GrantedAuthority;
import org.springframework.security.core.authority.SimpleGrantedAuthority;
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetails;

public class UserPrincipal implements UserDetails {

    private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;

    private User user;

    public UserPrincipal(User user) {
        this.user = user;
    }

    @Override
    public Collection<? extends GrantedAuthority> getAuthorities() {
        return Collections.singleton(new SimpleGrantedAuthority("USER"));
    }

    @Override
    public String getPassword() {
        return user.getPassword();
    }

    @Override
    public String getUsername() {
        return user.getUsername();
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isAccountNonExpired() {
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isAccountNonLocked() {
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isCredentialsNonExpired() {
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isEnabled() {
        return true;
    }
}

```

- It implements the **UserDetails** interface required by Spring Security
- It wraps our database **User** object to access username and password
- The **getAuthorities()** method returns the user's roles/permissions (here, a simple "USER" role)
- The account status methods all return true, indicating the account is valid

➤ Database Configuration

In **application.properties**, we configure the database connection:

Example:

```
● ● ●
# PostgreSQL Database Configuration
spring.datasource.url=jdbc:postgresql://localhost:5432/telusko
spring.datasource.username=postgres
spring.datasource.password=0000
spring.datasource.driver-class-name=org.postgresql.Driver

server.servlet.session.cookie.same-site=strict
```

- These properties tell Spring how to connect to our PostgreSQL database
- The cookie setting adds extra security for the session cookie

👉 Explanation

- When a user tries to access a protected resource, Spring Security intercepts the request
- Spring Security calls our custom **AuthenticationProvider**
- The provider uses **MyUserDetailsService** to load the user from the database
- **MyUserDetailsService** uses **UserRepo** to fetch the user and wraps it in a **UserPrincipal**
- The provider compares the submitted password with the one from the database
- If they match, authentication succeeds and the user can access the resource
- If they don't match, or the user doesn't exist, authentication fails

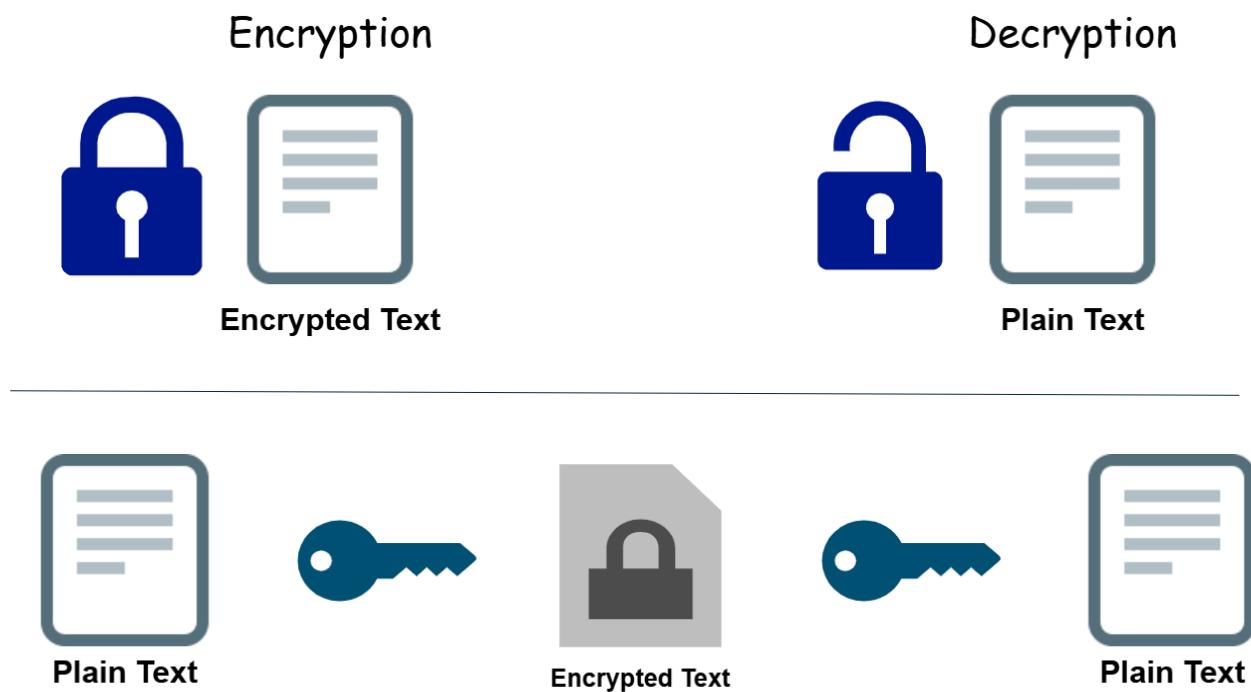
What is Bcrypt?

👉 The Problem with Plain Text Passwords

When we store passwords in a database or transfer them over networks in plain text, it creates a security risk. Anyone who gains access to the database or intercepts the transfer can immediately see all passwords.

👉 Encryption (Two-way)

- Encryption is like using a lock and key for your data
- You encrypt (lock) a password with a key when storing it
- You decrypt (unlock) it with the same key when verifying
- **Problem:** If someone steals the encryption key, they can decrypt all passwords



👉 Hashing (One-way)

- Hashing converts data into a fixed-length string of characters
- **Key difference:** Hashing is one-way - once hashed, you cannot convert back to the original
- To verify passwords: you hash what the user enters and compare the hashes
- Popular hashing algorithms include MD5 and SHA256, but they have vulnerabilities

➤ The Secure Solution

- **Bcrypt** is a specialized password-hashing function designed for security
- It's intentionally slow to prevent brute-force attacks
- It automatically incorporates "salt" to protect against rainbow table attacks

➊ How Bcrypt Works

- When a user creates a password, Bcrypt hashes it
- The hashed result is stored in the database
- When the user tries to log in, Bcrypt hashes their entered password
- The system compares this hash with the stored hash
- If they match, the password is correct

➋ Bcrypt Example

You can see Bcrypt in action at <https://www.browsrling.com>

The screenshot shows the Bcrypt Password Generator interface. At the top, it says "Bcrypt Password Generator" and "cross-browser testing tools". Below that, a descriptive text reads: "World's simplest online bcrypt hasher for web developers and programmers. Just enter your password, press the Bcrypt button, and you'll get a bcrypted password. Press a button – get a bcrypt. No ads, nonsense, or garbage." A "Like 51K" button is present. An announcement at the bottom left says: "Announcement: We just launched [Online Math Tools](#) – a collection of utilities for solving math problems. Check it out!" Below this, there are input fields for "Password" (containing "h@123") and "Rounds" (set to 10). There are two buttons: "Bcrypt" and "Copy to clipboard" (with a "(undo)" link). The resulting bcrypt hash, "\$2a\$10\$8i.dYw9Uk/g88KVLSTkmf.fwuYBdPsTNB.QEUxy9q3ArGUJvaKI4m", is displayed in a large blue box. At the bottom, a call-to-action says: "Want to test bcrypt hashes and passwords? Use the [Bcrypt Hash Tester](#) tool!"

- A Bcrypt hash looks like this:

\$2a\$10\$8i.dYW9Uk/g88KVLSTkmf.fWuYBdPsTNB.QEUxy9q3ArGUJvaKI4m

- \$2a indicates the Bcrypt version
- \$10 indicates the "cost factor" (number of rounds)
 - This means 2^{10} (1,024) iterations, not just 10
 - More rounds = more secure but slower processing
- The rest is the salt and the hashed password combined

👉 Key features of Bcrypt

- Slow by design to prevent brute-force attacks
- Built-in salt protection
- Adjustable work factor to adapt to faster computers over time
- Industry standard for password security

User Registration

To implement secure user registration with password encoding, we need to create a proper controller-service architecture. This will handle the HTTP requests and save user data to the database.

👉 Creating the UserController

- Create a controller class called **UserController**
- Annotate it with **@RestController** to handle HTTP requests
- Define a registration endpoint with **@PostMapping("register")**
- Accept user data in JSON format using **@RequestBody**
- Inject the **UserService** into the **UserController** using **@Autowired**
- Call the service method from the controller to process the registration

Example:

```
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.controller;
import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.PostMapping;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RequestBody;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RestController;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.User;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.service.UserService;

@RestController
public class UserController {
    @Autowired
    private UserService service;

    @PostMapping("register")
    public User register(@RequestBody User user) {
        return service.saveUser(user);
    }
}
```

👉 Setting Up the UserService

- Create a service class called **UserService**
- Annotate it with **@Service** to mark it as a Spring service component
- Implement a **saveUser()** method that takes a User object and returns the saved User
- Inject the **UserRepo** repository to interact with the database

Example:

```
package com.telusko.springsecdemo.service;
import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.dao.UserRepo;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.User;

@Service
public class UserService {
    @Autowired
    private UserRepo repo;

    public User saveUser(User user) {
        return repo.save(user);
    }
}
```

Output:

The screenshot shows a Postman interface with the following details:

- Request URL:** POST localhost:8080/register
- Method:** POST
- Body:** Raw JSON (selected)

```
{ "id": 3, "username": "navin", "password": "n@345" }
```
- Response Status:** 200 OK
- Response Body:** Raw JSON

```
{ "id": 3, "username": "navin", "password": "n@345" }
```

Query Query History

```
1  SELECT * FROM users
2
```

Data Output Messages Notifications

SQL

	id [PK] integer	username text	password text
1	1	kiran	n@789
2	2	harsh	h@123
3	3	navin	n@345

Bcrypt Encoding For User Registration

- When we implement Bcrypt in an existing application, we face a challenge:
- Existing users already have plain text passwords in the database
 - Our authentication system expects plain text passwords
 - Once Bcrypt is implemented, the system will try to compare Bcrypt hashes with plain text

➤ Update Existing Password Data

Before implementing Bcrypt, we need to:

- Update existing passwords in the database
- Convert plain text passwords to Bcrypt-encoded versions
- This can be done using an update query after generating encoded passwords

You can generate encoded passwords using an online tool like

[https://www.browsrling.com:](https://www.browsrling.com/)

The screenshot shows a web page titled "Bcrypt Password Generator" under the "cross-browser testing tools" category. The page claims to be "World's simplest online bcrypt hasher for web developers and programmers". It features a text input for "Password" containing "n@345", a dropdown for "Rounds" set to "12", and two buttons: "Bcrypt" and "Copy to clipboard". Below the input fields is a large text area displaying the hashed output: "\$2a\$12\$RH4dw5t.8kR7wQj/Eh4u6udsytqhpqm39xW.GFeEl9mUHUeDYM26". At the bottom, there's a note about testing with the "Bcrypt Hash Tester" tool.

The screenshot shows a MySQL Workbench interface. In the top-left corner, there's a 'Query' tab and a 'Query History' tab. Below them is a code editor containing the following SQL queries:

```

1 SELECT * FROM users;
2
3 update users set password='$2a$12$RH4dWSt.8kR7wQj/Eh4u6udsytqhpqm39xW.GFeEW9mUHueDYM26' where id=3
4

```

Below the code editor is a 'Data Output' tab, which is currently selected. It displays a table with three rows of data:

	id [PK] integer	username text	password text
1	1	kiran	n@789
2	2	harsh	h@123
3	3	navin	\$2a\$12\$RH4dWSt.8kR7wQj/Eh4u6udsytqhpqm39xW.GFeEW9mUHueDYM26

➤ Implementing Bcrypt in the Service Layer

- In the `UserService` class, create a `BCryptPasswordEncoder` object
- Set the strength parameter (rounds) to 12 for good security
- Before saving the user, encode the password using the encoder
- Save the user with the encoded password to the database

Example:

```

● ● ●

package com.telusko.springsecdemo.service;
import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;
import org.springframework.security.crypto.bcrypt.BCryptPasswordEncoder;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.dao.UserRepo;
import com.telusko.springsecdemo.model.User;

@Service
public class UserService {

    @Autowired
    private UserRepo repo;
    private BCryptPasswordEncoder encoder = new BCryptPasswordEncoder(12);

    public User saveUser(User user) {
        user.setPassword(encoder.encode(user.getPassword()));
        System.out.println(user.getPassword());
        return repo.save(user);
    }
}

```

Output:

The screenshot shows a Postman interface with a POST request to `localhost:8080/register`. The request body is a JSON object with fields `id`, `username`, and `password`. The response status is 200 OK, and the response body is identical to the request body.

```
POST /register
{
  "id": 4,
  "username": "avani",
  "password": "a@123"
}

{
  "id": 4,
  "username": "avani",
  "password": "$2a$12$TaMuHwsZerp.O5h9oiwzieX6tqsgk1PU.sGsu0nP6vnjV7Miunv2m"
}
```

The screenshot shows a DBeaver interface with a SQL query window containing the command `SELECT * FROM users;`. Below the query, the results are displayed in a table with columns `id`, `username`, and `password`. The table contains four rows of data.

	<code>id</code> [PK] integer	<code>username</code>	<code>password</code> text
1	1	kiran	n@789
2	2	harsh	h@123
3	3	navin	\$2a\$12\$SRH4dWSt.8kR7wQj/Eh4u6udsytqhpmqm39xW.GFeEW9mUH... ...
4	4	avani	\$2a\$12\$TaMuHwsZerp.O5h9oiwzieX6tqsgk1PU.sGsu0nP6vnjV7Miunv2m

👉 Remember

- **BCryptPasswordEncoder** is part of Spring Security framework
- The parameter **12** represents the work factor ($2^{12} = 4,096$ rounds)
- Higher work factor means better security but slower performance
- **encode()** method transforms the plain text password into a Bcrypt hash
- We're printing the encoded password to console for demonstration (not recommended in production)
- After this implementation, all new users will have encoded passwords
- The authentication system must also be updated to verify with Bcrypt (covered in next section)

Setting Password Encoder

After implementing password encoding during registration, we need to update our authentication system to verify encoded passwords. The key points:

- Previously, we were using **NoOpPasswordEncoder** which expects plain text passwords
- Now that our passwords are encoded with BCrypt, we need to use **BCryptPasswordEncoder** for authentication
- This ensures the system can properly verify passwords during login

Updating the Security Configuration

In our **SecurityConfig** class, we need to make the following changes:

- Keep the **@Configuration** and **@EnableWebSecurity** annotations that mark this as a Spring Security configuration
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Example:

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● ● ●  
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import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;  
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;  
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import org.springframework.security.authentication.AuthenticationProvider;  
import org.springframework.security.authentication.dao.DaoAuthenticationProvider;  
import org.springframework.security.config.Customizer;  
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.builders.HttpSecurity;  
import org.springframework.security.config.annotation.web.configuration.EnableWebSecurity;  
import org.springframework.security.config.http.SessionCreationPolicy;  
import org.springframework.security.core.userdetails.UserDetailsService;  
import org.springframework.security.crypto.bcrypt.BCryptPasswordEncoder;  
import org.springframework.security.web.SecurityFilterChain;  
  
@Configuration  
@EnableWebSecurity  
public class SecurityConfig {  
    @Autowired  
    private UserDetailsService userDetailsService;  
  
    @Bean  
    public AuthenticationProvider authProvider() {  
        DaoAuthenticationProvider provider = new DaoAuthenticationProvider();  
        provider.setUserDetailsService(userDetailsService);  
        provider.setPasswordEncoder(new BCryptPasswordEncoder(12));  
        return provider;  
    }  
  
    @Bean  
    public SecurityFilterChain securityFilterChain(HttpSecurity http) throws Exception {  
        http.csrf(customizer -> customizer.disable())  
            .authorizeHttpRequests(request -> request.anyRequest().authenticated())  
            .httpBasic(Customizer.withDefaults())  
            .sessionManagement(session -> session.sessionCreationPolicy(SessionCreationPolicy.STATELESS));  
        return http.build();  
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Output:

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