

Using the SecurityBundle in Symfony 6

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Modernizing Security

Security is boring

Everyone uses the same things

The image displays five different login interfaces side-by-side, illustrating the commonality of certain design patterns across various platforms:

- GitHub:** Shows a standard form with "Sign in to GitHub" header, logo, and fields for "Username or email address" and "Password". It includes links for "Forgot password?" and "Sign in". Below the main form are social login buttons for Google, GitHub, and Facebook, followed by fields for "Email" and "Password" with a "Log in" button.
- SymfonyConnect:** Features the Symfony logo and a green header. It says "SymfonyConnect is the social network and identity service for the Symfony community." It has a "Sign in into your account" section with "Username" and "Password" fields, and links for "Forgot your password?", "Resend confirmation email", and "Sign in".
- PHP.net:** Shows the PHP logo at the top. It has fields for "Username" and "Password", a "Login" button, and links for "Sign in" and "Sign up".
- DEV Community:** Has a "Welcome to DEV Community" header and a sub-header stating "DEV Community is a community of 723,798 amazing developers". It features social login buttons for Apple, GitHub, and Twitter, followed by fields for "Email" and "Password" with a "Continue" button. There's also a "Remember me" checkbox and links for "I forgot my password" and "Continue".
- Generic Social Network:** A simple form with a blue header containing the PHP logo. It has fields for "Username" and "Password", a "Login" button, and links for "Sign in" and "Sign up".

Security is boring, *reuse as much code as possible*



Use the makers

```
$ composer require --dev symfony/maker-bundle
```

```
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Symfony 6 comes with a *clean* UserInterface

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    public function getPassword();

    public function getSalt();
}
```

```
$ symfony
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$ sym
```

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    // PasswordAuthenticatedUserInterface
    - public function getPassword();

    // LegacyPasswordAuthenticatedUserInterface
    - public function getSalt();

}
```

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Register

Email
Password
Agree terms

Hi! Please confirm your email!

Please confirm your email address by clicking the following link:

[Confirm my Email](#). This link will expire in 1 hour.

Cheers!


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$ symfony console make:user  
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$ symfony console make:registration-form  
  
$ symfony console make:reset-password
```

Security is boring,
use the built-in authenticators

Security is critical,

use the wisdom of the crowd

A login form is complicated...

CVE-2013-5958: Denial-of-service via large passwords

October 10, 2013  Fabien Potencier

CVE-2016-4423: Large username storage in session

May 9, 2016  Fabien Potencier

CVE-2017-16652: Open redirect vulnerability on security handlers

November 17, 2017  Fabien Potencier

CVE-2018-11385: Session Fixation Issue for Guard Authentication

May 25, 2018  Fabien Potencier

```
# config/packages/security.yaml
security:
    # ...

firewalls:
    main:
        form_login:
            login_path: 'login'
            check_path: 'login'
```

```
{# templates/login.html.twig #-}
<form action="{{ path('login') }}" method="post">
    <label for="username">
        Email:
        <input type="text" name="_username" value="{{ last_username }}>
    </label>

    <label for="password">
        Password:
        <input type="password" id="password" name="_password">
    </label>

    <button type="submit">login</button>
</form>

<a href="{{ path("app_forgot_password_request") }}>Forgot your password?</a>
```


Email:

Password:

[Forgot your password?](#)

200

@ login

7 ms

2.0 MiB

 n/a

 1 ms

 Server

 5.4.0-DEV





Symfony Profiler

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Authenticators in Symfony 6

Form login

JSON login

HTTP Basic

Login Links (aka Magic Links)

X509 Client Certificates

Remote users (e.g. Kerebos)

...and in community bundles

LexikJWTAuthenticationBundle

OneloginSamlBundle

WebauthnSymfonyBundle

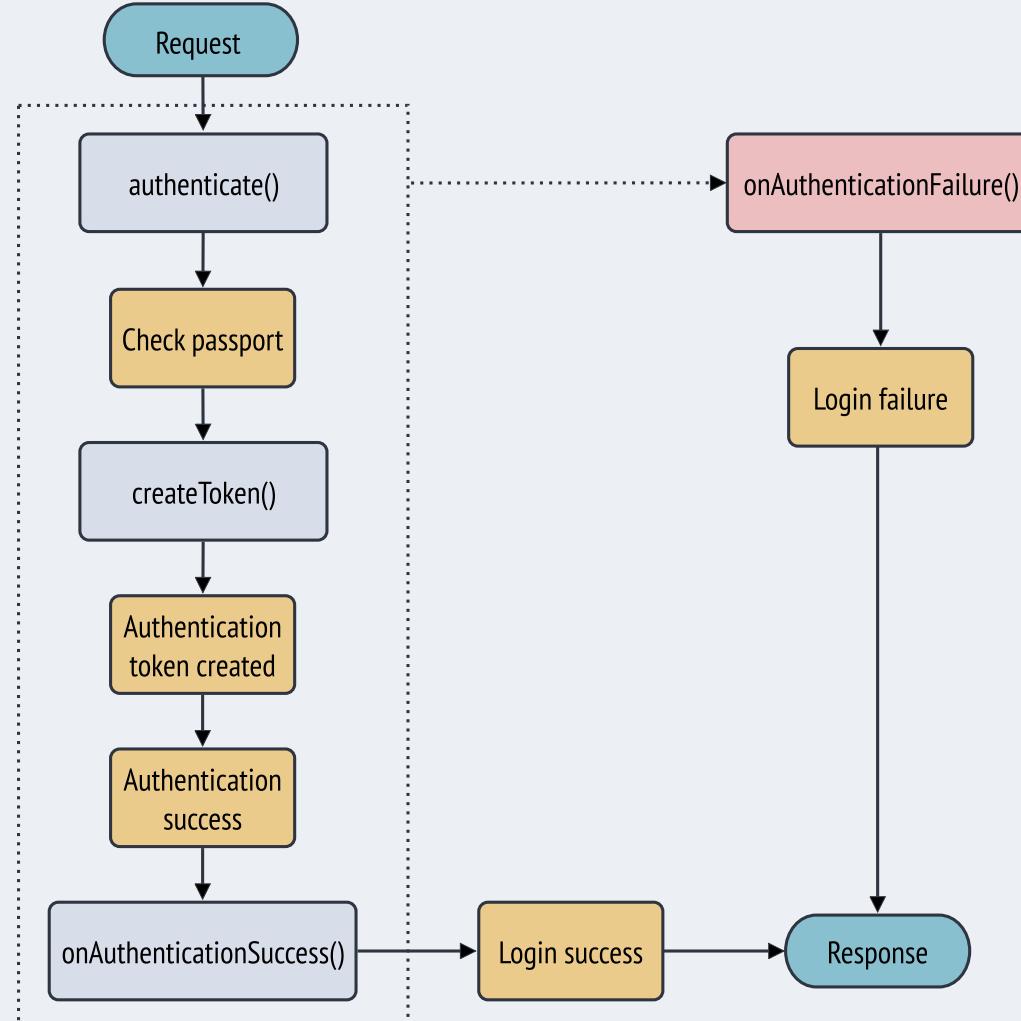
KnpUOAuth2ClientBundle

SchebTwoFactorBundle

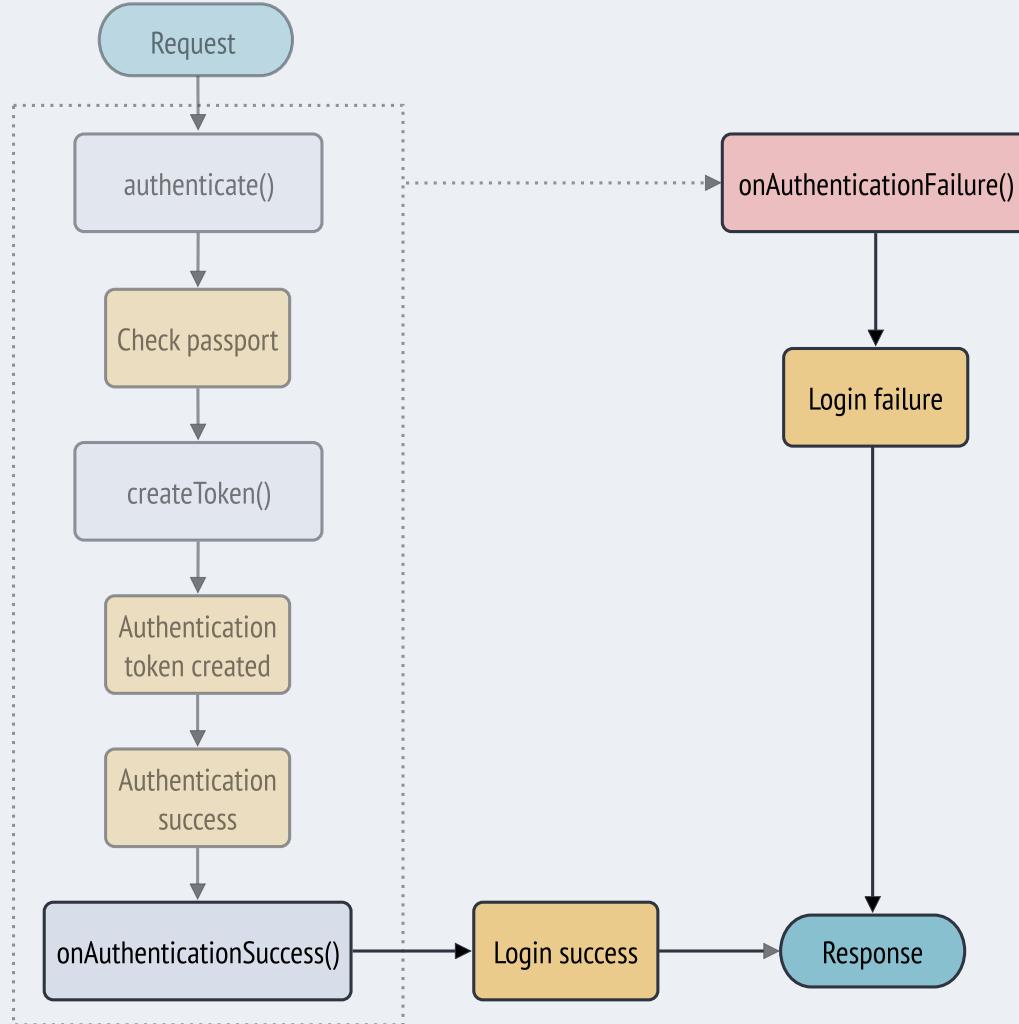
Customizing authentication



Security events cycle



Security events cycle



```
use Symfony\Component\EventDispatcher\Attribute\AsEventListener;
use Symfony\Component\Security\Http\Event\LoginFailureEvent;
use Symfony\Component\Security\Http\Event\LoginSuccessEvent;

class LoginAttemptListener
{
    #[AsEventListener(event: LoginSuccessEvent::class)]
    #[AsEventListener(event: LoginFailureEvent::class)]
    public function onLoginAttempt(LoginSuccessEvent|LoginFailureEvent $event)
    {
        // ...
    }
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}
```

```
// ...
public function onLoginAttempt(LoginSuccessEvent|LoginFailureEvent $event)
{
    $userIdentifier = $event->getPassport()
        ->getBadge(UserBadge::class)->getUserIdentifier();

}

}
```



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    $success = $event instanceof LoginSuccessEvent;

}
```

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    $this->logger->info('Login attempt for "{user}"', [
        'user' => $userIdentifier,
        'ip' => $clientIp,
        'success' => $success,
        'error' => $success ? $event->getException()->getMessage() : null,
    ]);
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```
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security:
    # ...

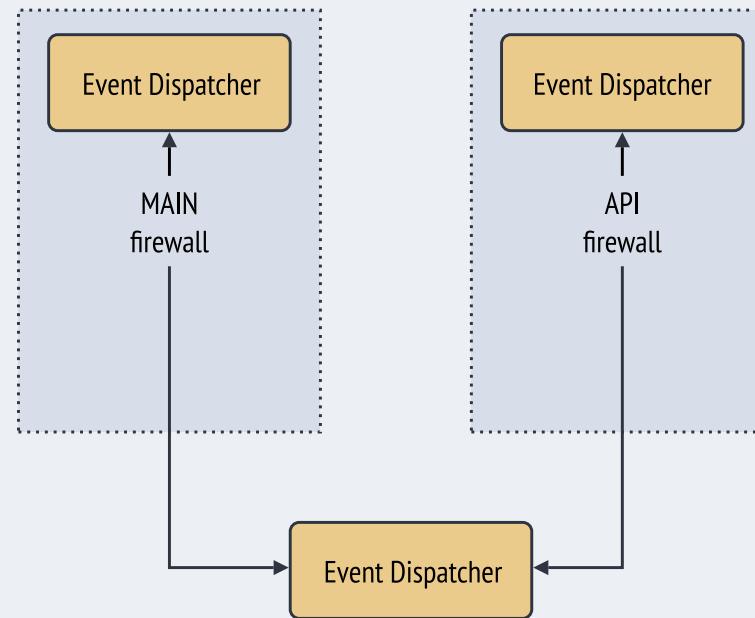
firewalls:
    api:
        pattern: '^/api'
        jwt: null
        # ...

main:
    form_login:
        # ...
```



Firewall-specific event dispatchers

Firewall event dispatchers




```
class LoginAttemptListener
{
    #[AsEventListener(
        event: LoginSuccessEvent::class,
        dispatcher: 'security.event_dispatcher.main'
    )]
    #[AsEventListener(
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        dispatcher: 'security.event_dispatcher.main'
    )]
    public function onLoginAttempt(LoginSuccessEvent|LoginFailureEvent $event)
    {
        // ...
    }
}
```



```
$ symfony console debug:firewall --events main
...
Event listeners for firewall "main"
=====
"Symfony\Component\Security\Http\Event\LoginSuccessEvent" event
-----
-----
Callable                                     Prio
-----
Symfony\Component\Security\...\SessionStrategyListener::onSuccessfulLogin()    0
App\EventSubscriber>LoginAttemptListener::onLoginAttempt()                      0
Symfony\Component\Security\...>PasswordMigratingListener::onLoginSuccess()       0
-----
```

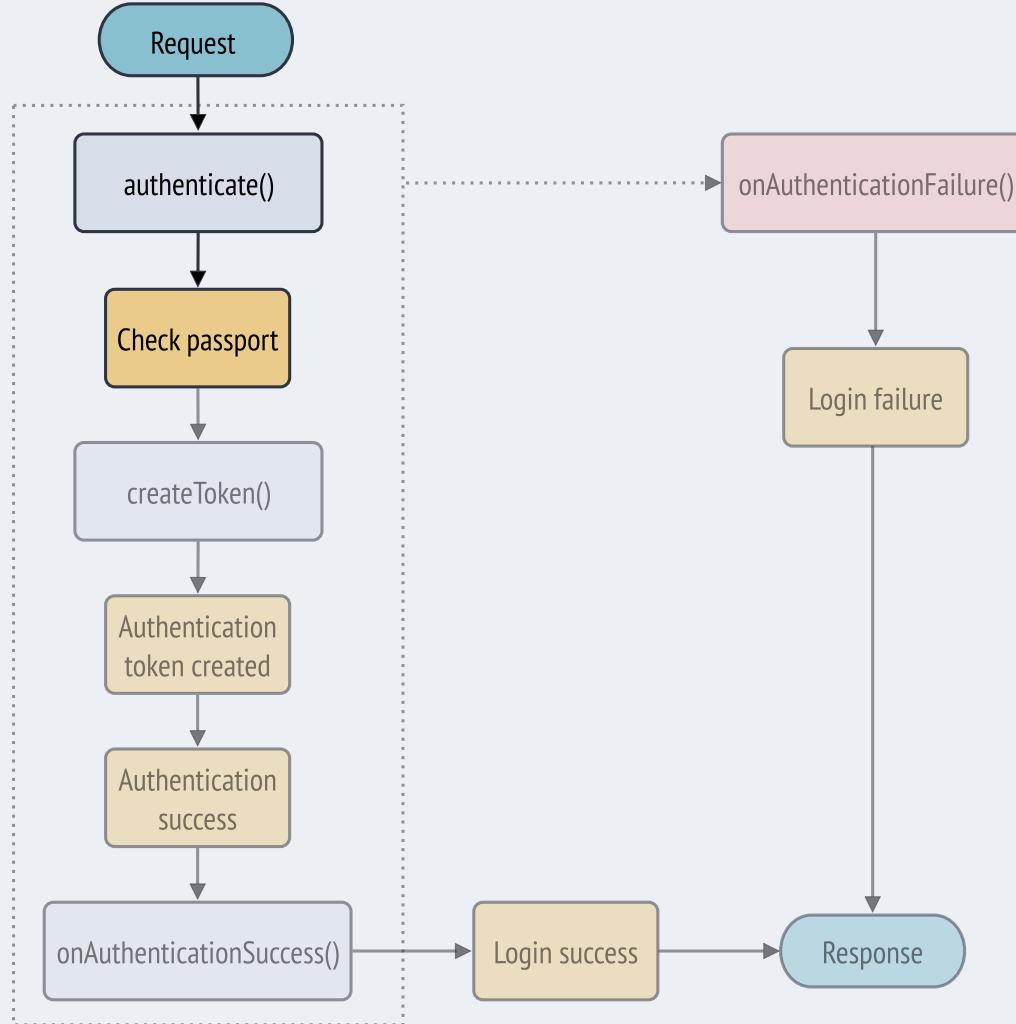
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-----
```

```
$ symfony console debug:firewall --events api
...
Event listeners for firewall "api"
=====
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```

Security events cycle



Security Passports

Contains all information used for authentication

- UserBadge
- PasswordCredentials
- CsrfTokenBadge
- LdapBadge
- RememberMeBadge



```
# config/packages/security.yaml
security:
    # ...
    firewalls:
        api:
            pattern: '^/api'
            json_login:
                check_path: 'api_login'
```

```
POST /api/login
{
    "username": "wouter",
    "password": "secr$t"
}
```

```
POST /api/login
{
    "username": "wouter",
    "password": "secr$t",
    "csrf_token": "684f..."
}
```

```
use Symfony\Component\EventDispatcher\Attribute\AsEventListener;
use Symfony\Component\Security\Http\Event\CheckPassportEvent;

class CsrfJsonLoginListener
{
    #[AsEventListener(
        event: CheckPassportEvent::class,
        priority: 2048,
        dispatcher: 'security.event_dispatcher.api'
    )]
    public function onCheckPassportEvent(CheckPassportEvent $event)
    {
        // ...
    }
}
```

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use Symfony\Component\Security\Http\Event\CheckPassportEvent;

class CsrfJsonLoginListener
{
    #[AsEventListener(
        event: CheckPassportEvent::class,
        priority: 100,
        dispatcher: 'security.event_dispatcher.api'
    )]
    public function onCheckPassportEvent(CheckPassportEvent $event)
    {
        // ...
    }
}
```

```
// ...
public function onCheckPassportEvent(CheckPassportEvent $event)
{
    if (!$event->getAuthenticator() instanceof JsonLoginAuthenticator) {
        return;
    }

}
```

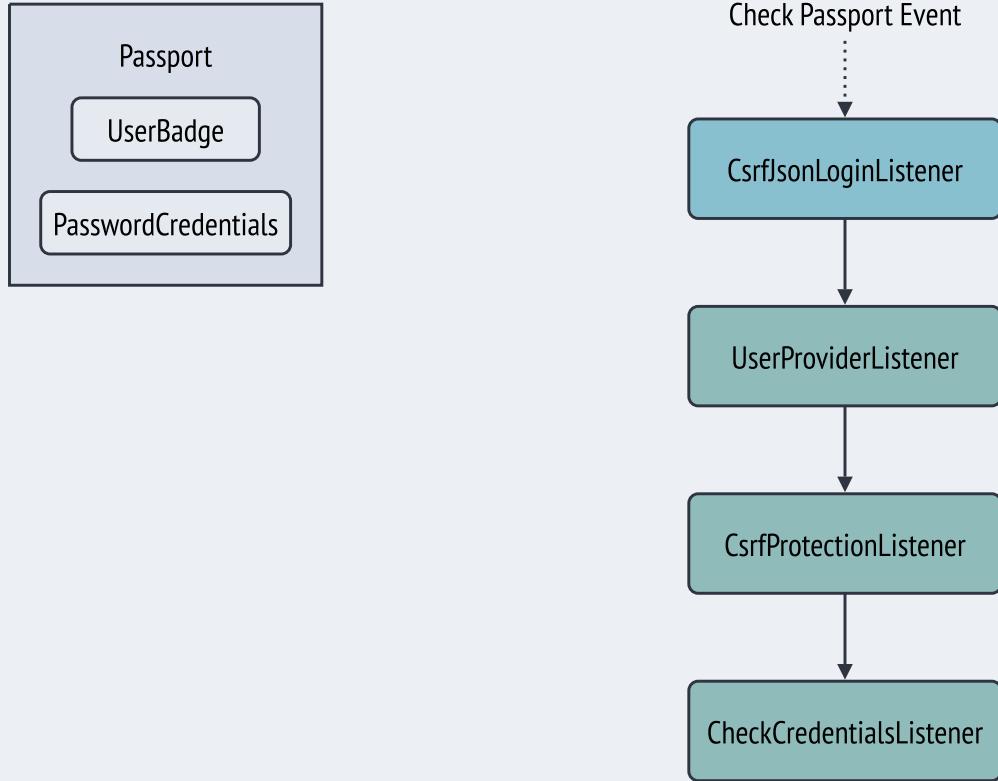


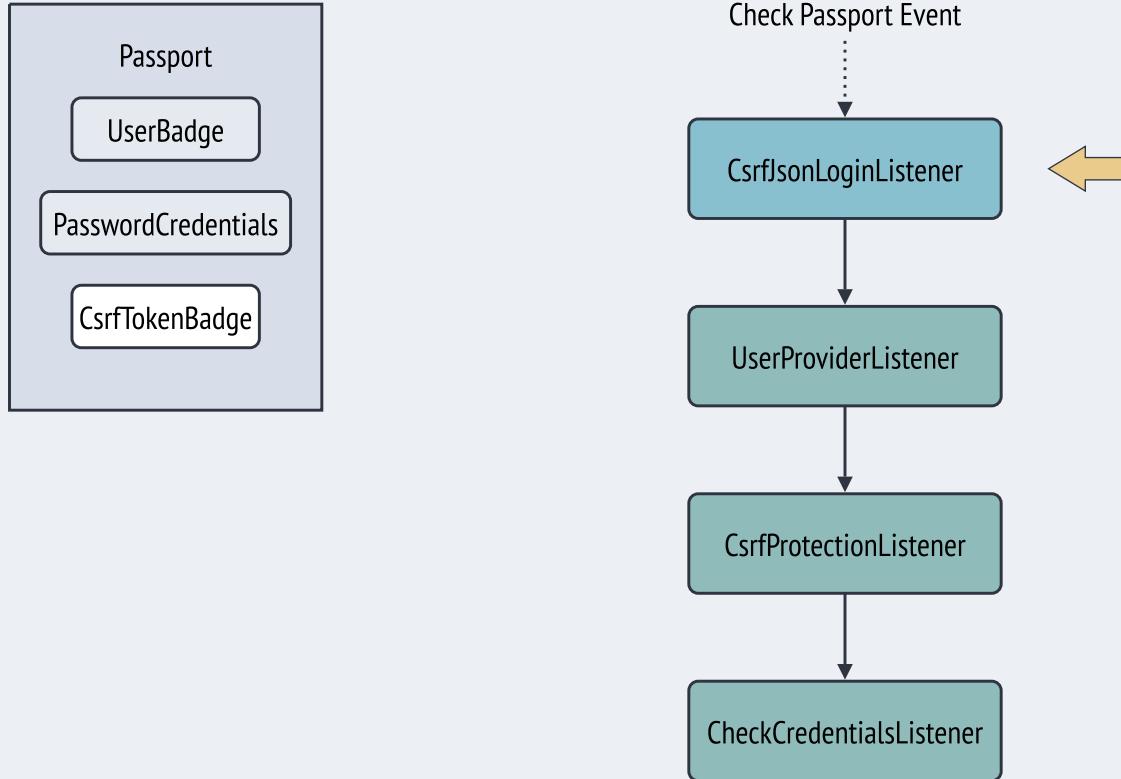
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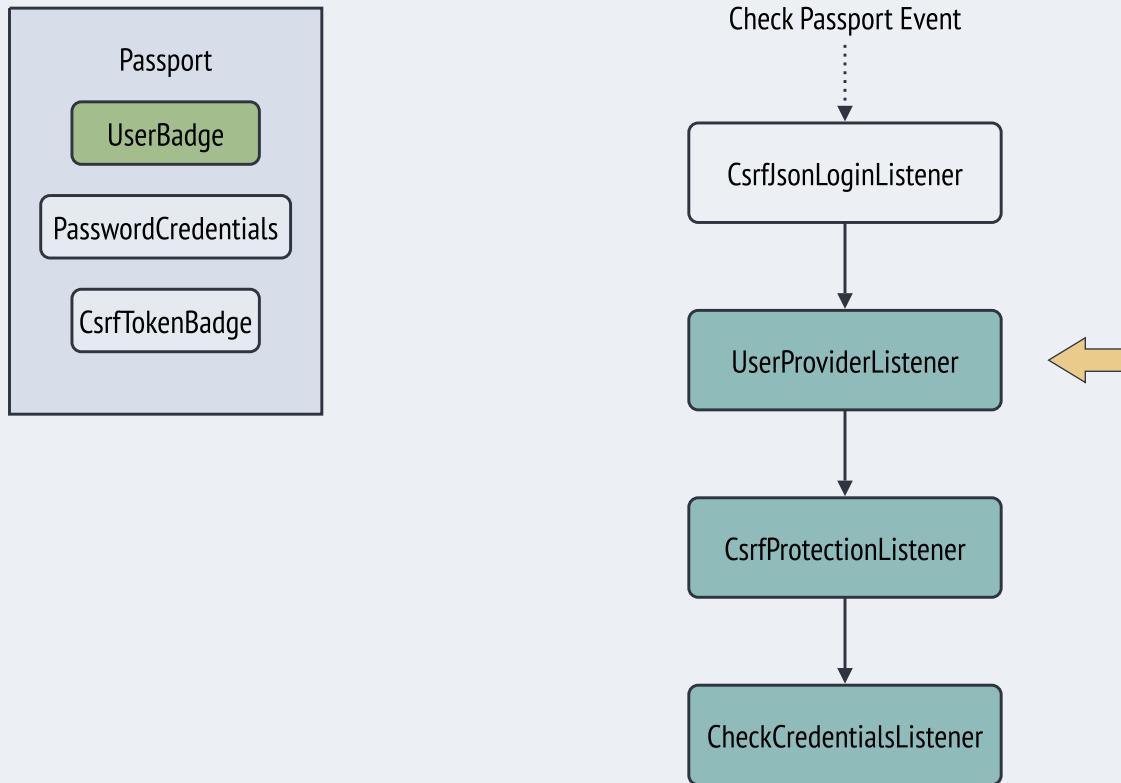
    $passport = $event->getPassport();
    $passport->addBadge(
        new CsrfTokenBadge(
            'authenticate',
            $this->requestStack->getMainRequest()->get('csrf_token'),
        )
    );
}
```

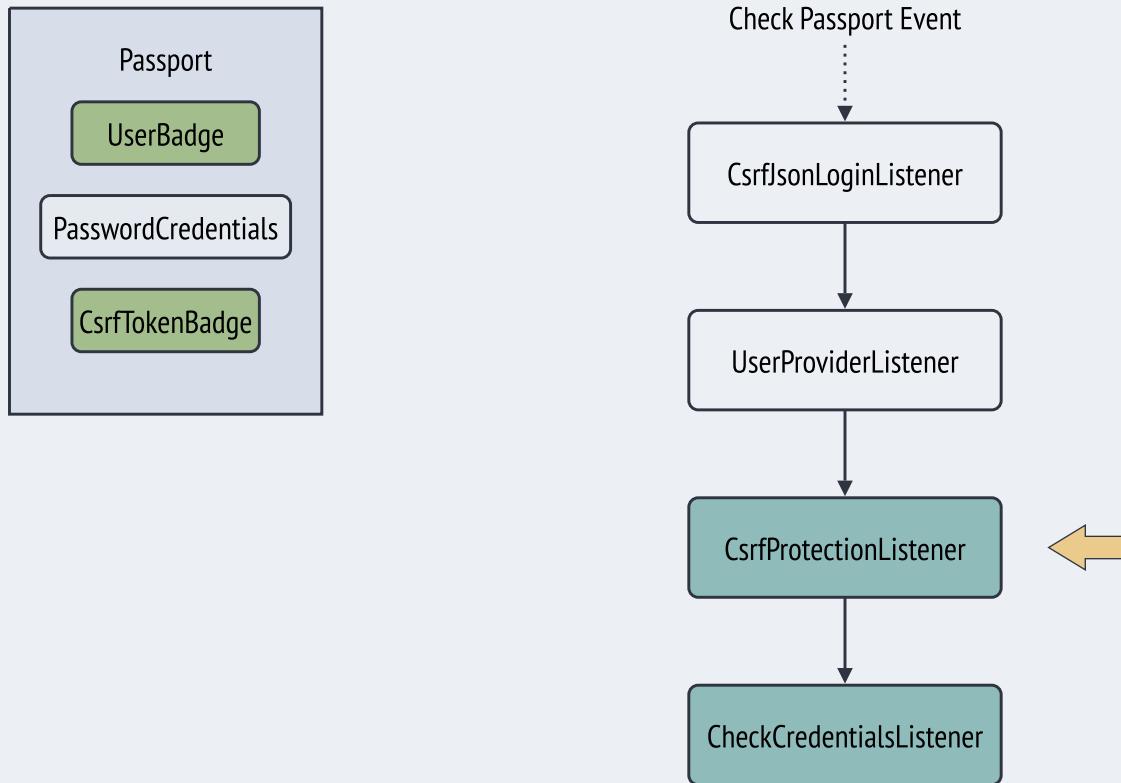
```
// ...
public function onCheckPassportEvent(CheckPassportEvent $event)
{
    if (!$event->getAuthenticator() instanceof JsonLoginAuthenticator) {
        return;
    }

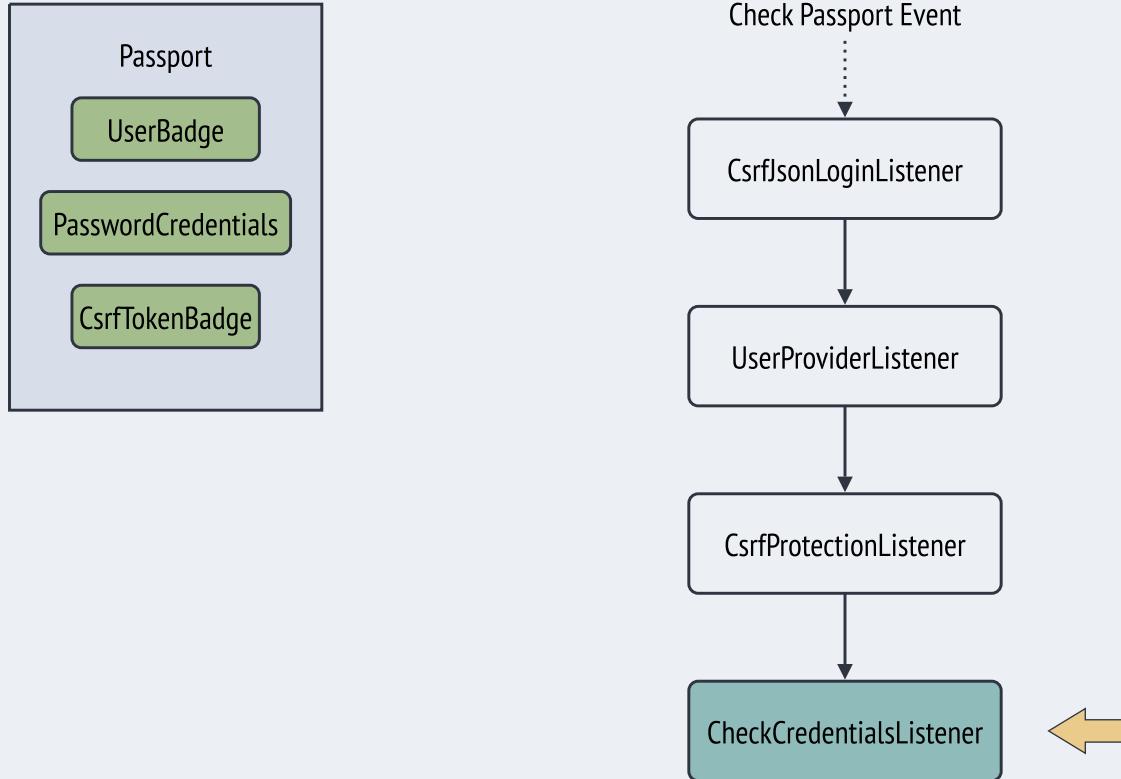
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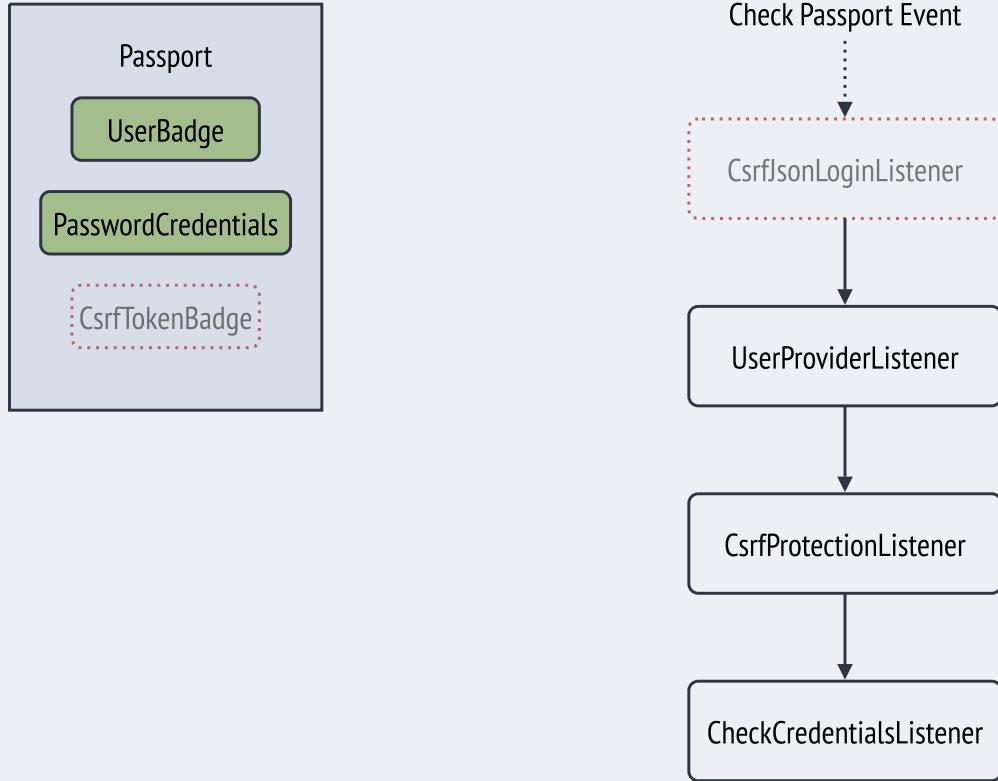








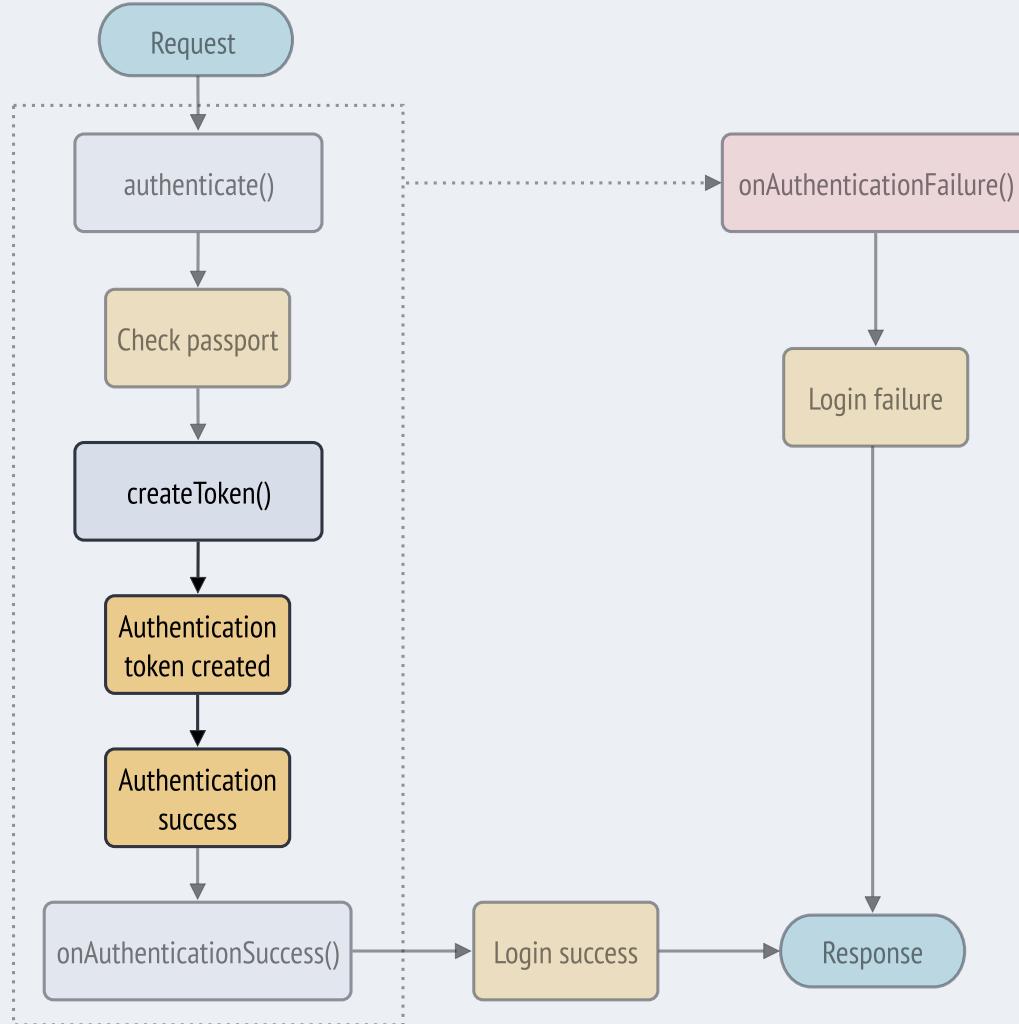






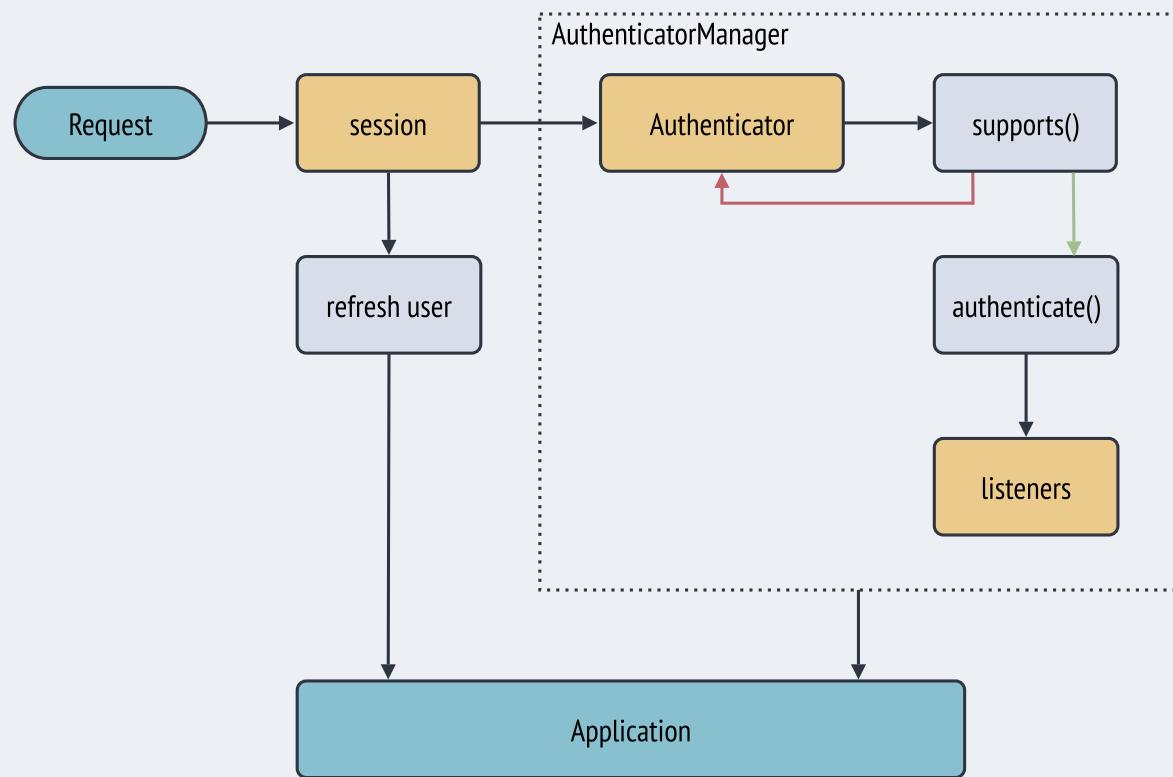
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# config/packages/security.yaml
security:
    # ...
    firewalls:
        api:
            pattern: '^/api'
            json_login:
                check_path: 'api_login'
            required_badges: ['CsrfTokenBadge']
```

Security events cycle

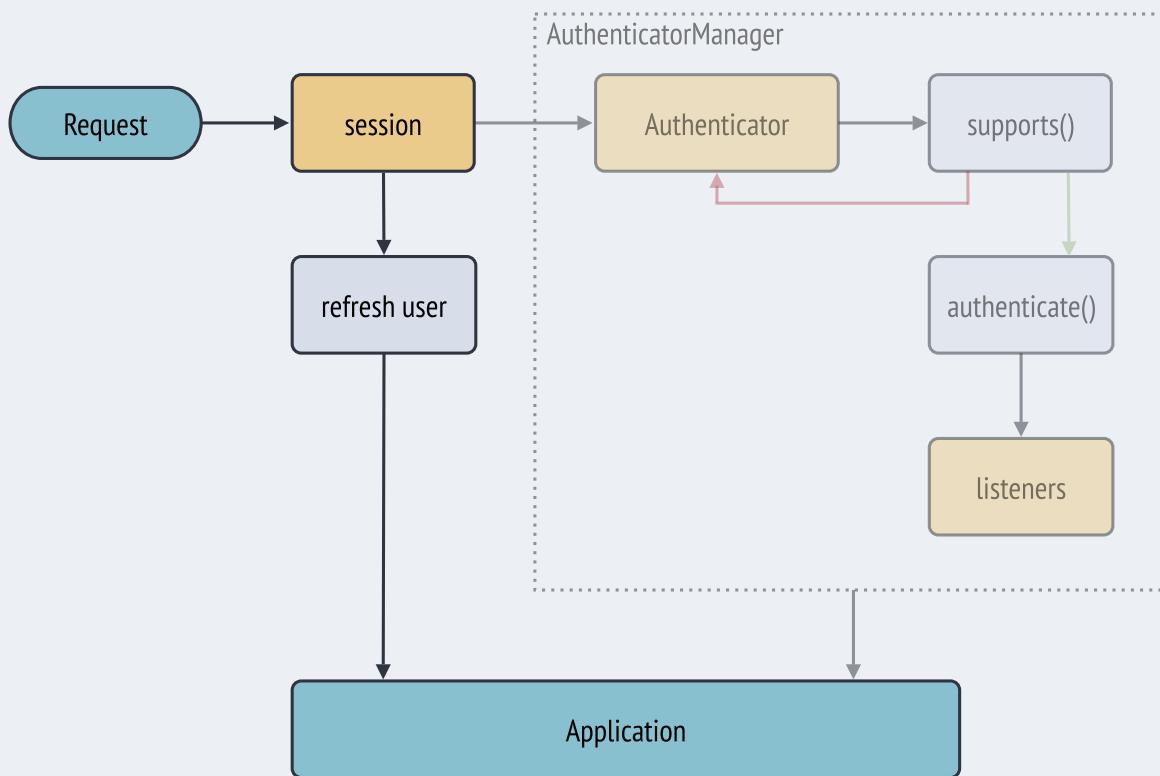


Last resort: Custom authenticators

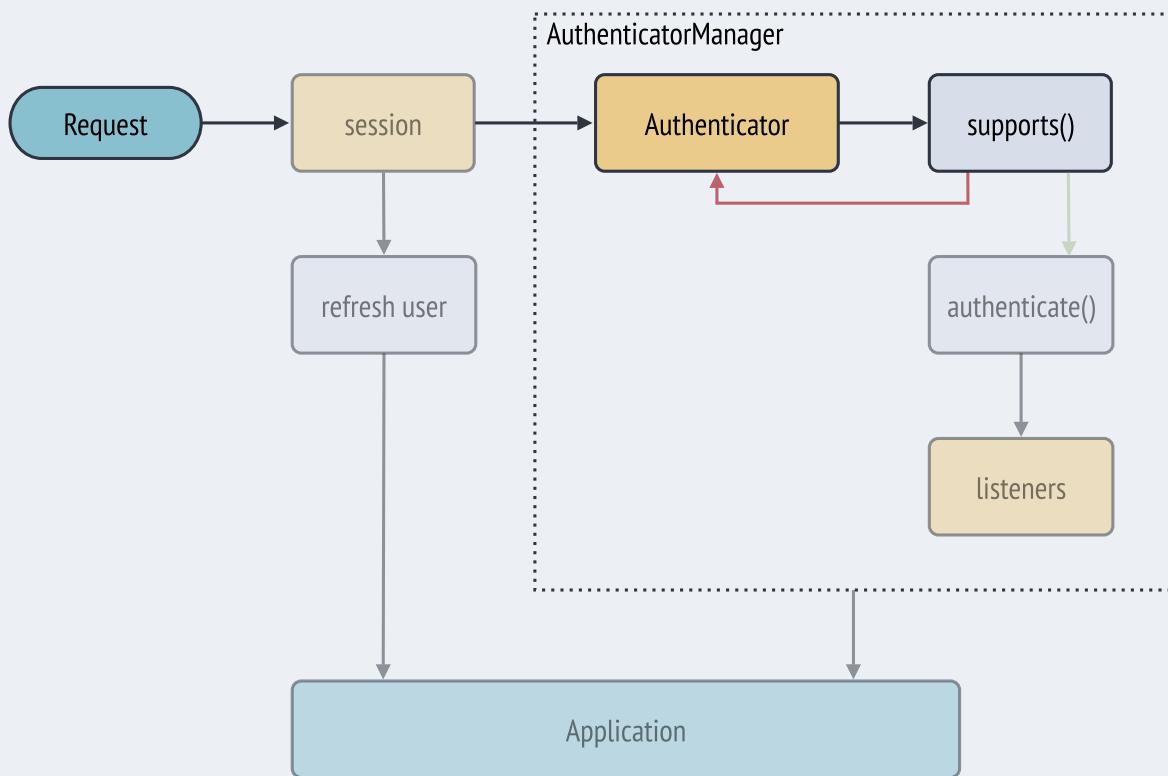
Authentication process



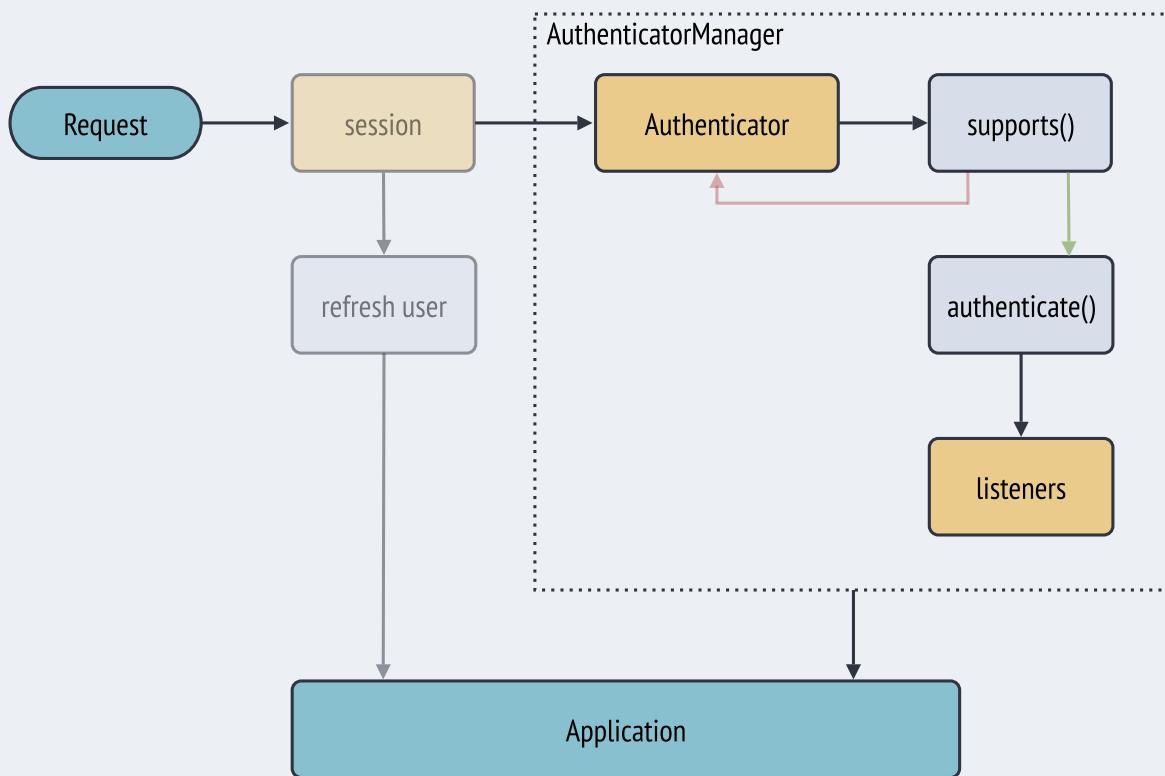
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```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<request>
    <auth>
        <username>wouter</username>
        <password>secr$t</password>
    </auth>

    <!-- ... -->
</request>
```



```
use Symfony\Component\Security\Http\Authenticator\AbstractAuthenticator;

class XmlLoginAuthenticator extends AbstractAuthenticator
{
    public function supports(Request $request): ?bool
    {
        return 'xml' === $request->getFormat();
    }
}
```

```
class XmlLoginAuthenticator extends AbstractAuthenticator
{
    // ...
    public function authenticate(Request $request): Passport
    {
        $xml = new \SimpleXmlElement($request->getContent());
    }
}
```

```
class XmlLoginAuthenticator extends AbstractAuthenticator
{
    // ...
    public function authenticate(Request $request): Passport
    {
        $xml = new \SimpleXMLElement($request->getContent());

        return new Passport(
            new UserBadge($xml->auth->username),
            new PasswordCredentials($xml->auth->password)
        );
    }
}
```

```
class XmlLoginAuthenticator extends AbstractAuthenticator
{
    // ...
    public function authenticate(Request $request): Passport
    {
        $xml = new \SimpleXmlElement($request->getContent());
        if (!isset($xml->auth)) {
            throw new CustomUserMessageAuthenticationException(
                'No <auth> element found.'
            );
        }

        return new Passport(
            new UserBadge($xml->auth->username),
            new PasswordCredentials($xml->auth->password)
        );
    }
}
```

```
class XmlLoginAuthenticator extends AbstractAuthenticator
{
    // ...

    public function onAuthenticationSuccess(
        Request $request, TokenInterface $token, string $firewallName
    ): ?Response
    {
        return null;
    }

    public function onAuthenticationFailure(
        Request $request, AuthenticationException $exception
    ): ?Response
    {
        return new XmlResponse($exception->getMessageKey(), 401);
    }
}
```

Guard AuthenticatorInterface

supports(): bool

getCredentials(): mixed

getUser(): UserInterface

checkCredentials(): bool

onAuthenticationSuccess(): ?Response

onAuthenticationFailure(): ?Response

supportsRememberMe(): bool

New AuthenticatorInterface

supports(): ?bool

authenticate(): Passport

onAuthenticationSuccess(): ?Response

onAuthenticationFailure(): ?Response

```
# config/packages/security.yaml
security:
    # ...
    firewalls:
        api:
            pattern: '^/api'
            custom_authenticators:
                - 'App\Security\XmlLoginAuthenticator'
```

Contribute your authenticator back

Support in Symfony 5



```
# config/packages/security.yaml
security:
    enable_authenticator_manager: true

    # ...
```

A few BC breaks

- Anonymous users no longer exist
- Authentication providers become Authenticators

But:

- All built-in authenticators are compatible
- Guard authenticators are supported (for Symfony <6)

https://symfony.com/doc/5.2/security/experimental_authenticators.html

Let's make Symfony 6 even better!

Symfony 6 ideas

- Advanced makers
- Modern authenticators
- Support for authentication factors (sudo mode)

Makers

- Don't write boilerplate code
- Fully own the code afterwards

Centralization of code

- Use built-in authenticators
- Use passport badges
- Contribute back new and cool authenticators

Security events

- "Monitor" the authentication
- Customize the authentication checks
- Customize the authentication responses

Thanks!

<https://github.com/wouterj-nl/security-winterworld21>

<https://wouterj.nl/2021/12/sfwinterworld21-security>