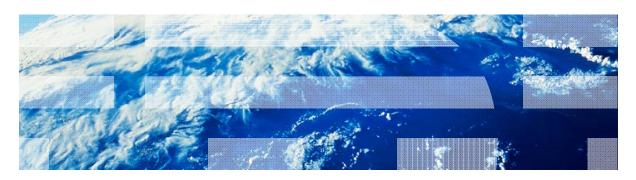


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The Adapter-based authentication introduction

- The Adapter-based authentication is the most flexible type of authentication to implement and contains all the benefits of the Worklight® Server authentication framework.
- When you use the adapter-based authentication, the entire authentication logic, including the credentials validation, can be implemented in an adapter by using plain JavaScript™.
- Nevertheless, any login module can be used in the adapter-based authentication as an extra authentication layer.
- In this module, you implement an adapter-based authentication mechanism that relies on a user name and a password.



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This realm uses the SingleStepAuthLoginModule login module that you must define later.



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- When the Worklight authentication framework detects an attempt to access a protected resource, an adapter function that is defined in a login-function parameter is invoked automatically.
- When logout is detected (explicit or session timeout), a logout-function is invoked automatically.
- In both cases, the parameter value syntax is adapterName.functionName.



 Add a login module to the <loginModules> section of the authenticationConfig.xml file and call it SingleStepAuthLoginModule.

```
<loginModule name="SingleStepAuthLoginModule">
        <className>com.worklight.core.auth.ext.NonValidatingLoginModule</className>
</loginModule>
```

- Using a NonValidatingLoginModule class name means that no additional validation is performed by the Worklight Platform, and the developer takes responsibility for the credential validation within the adapter.
- Because all <u>authentication-related</u> actions <u>are done</u> in adapter's code by <u>using</u> NonValidatingLoginModule, this is a mandatory requirement for adapter-based authentication



- Add a security test to the <securityTests> section of the authenticationConfig.xml file.
- You must use this security test to protect the adapter procedure, so make it a <customSecurityTest>.

```
<securityTests>
    <customSecurityTest name="SingleStepAuthAdapter-securityTest">
        <test isInternalUserID="true" realm="SingleStepAuthRealm"/>
    </customSecurityTest>
</securityTests>
```

Remember the security test name. You must use it in subsequent slides

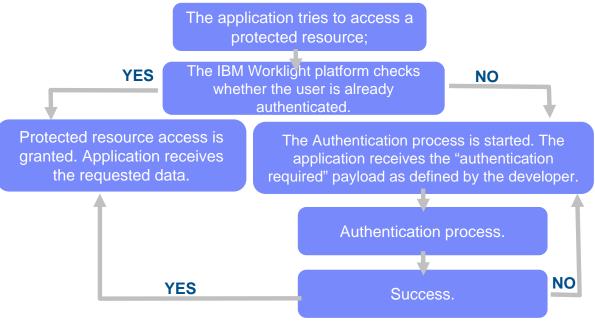


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• The following diagram illustrates the adapter-based authentication process:





- Create an adapter that takes care of the authentication process.
 Name it SingleStepAuthAdapter.
- The SingleStepAuthAdapter has two following procedures:

- The submitAuthentication procedure is taking care of the authentication process and authentication is not required in order to invoke it.
- The second procedure, however, is available to authenticated users only.



The following diagram shows the flow to implement: getSecretData Worklight An authentication is required (challenge) **Application** Server submitAuthentication You are authenticated now getSecretData (done automatically) Here is your secret data



 Whenever the IBM Worklight framework detects an unauthenticated attempt to access a protected resource, the onAuthRequired function is invoked (as defined in the authenticationConfig.xml).

```
function onAuthRequired(headers, errorMessage) {
    errorMessage = errorMessage ? errorMessage : null;
    return {
        authRequired: true,
        errorMessage: errorMessage
    };
}

This object is a
    custom challenge
    object that is sent
    to the application.
```

- This function receives the response headers and a errorMessage parameter. The object that is returned by this function is sent to the client application.
- Note the authRequired: true property. You use this property in challenge handler to detect that the server is requesting authentication.



 The submitAuthentication function is invoked by a client application to validate user name and password.

```
function submitAuthentication(username, password){
   if (username==="worklight" && password === "worklight"){
       var userIdentity = {
                userId: username.
                displayName: username,
                attributes: {
                    foo: "bar"
        };
       WL.Server.setActiveUser("SingleStepAuthRealm", userIdentity);
        return {
            authRequired: false
        };
   return onAuthRequired(null, "Invalid login credentials");
```

The user name and password are received from the application as parameters.



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In this sample, the credentials are validated against some hardcoded values, but any other validation can be performed, for example by using SQL or WebServices.



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If validation is successfully passed, a WL.Server.setActiveUser API is called to create an authenticated session for the SingleStepAuthRealm with a user data stored in a userIdentity object. Note, you can add your own custom properties to the user identity attributes.



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An object is sent to the application, stating that the authentication screen is no longer required.



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If the credentials validation fails, an object that is built by the onAuthRequired function is returned to the application with a corresponding error message.



- For training purposes, the getSecretData function returns a hardcoded value. Keep in mind that the getSecretData is protected by a security test, as defined in the adapter XML.
- The onLogout function is defined in the authenticationConfig.xml file to be invoked automatically on logout (for example to perform a cleanup).

```
function getSecretData(){
    return {
        secretData: "A very very very very secret data"
    };
}

function onLogout(){
    WL.Logger.debug("Logged out");
}
```



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- Create a Worklight application.
- The application consists of two main <div> elements:
 - The <div id="AppDiv"> element is used to display the application content.
 - The <div id="AuthDiv"> element is used for authentication form purposes.
- When the authentication is required, the application hides the AppDiv and shows the AuthDiv. When the authentication is complete, it does the opposite.



- Start by creating an AppDiv.
- It has a basic structure and functions:

- The buttons are used to invoke the getSecretData procedure and to log out.
- The <div id="ResponseDiv"> is used to display the getSecretData response.



The AuthDiv contains the following elements:

- The AuthInfo to display error messages.
- The AuthUsername and the AuthPassword to input elements.
- The AuthSubmitButton and the AuthCancelButton.
- The AuthDiv is styled as display:none because it must not be displayed before the authentication is requested by server.



- Finally, create a challenge handler.
- Use the following API to create this handler and implement its functionality.

```
var myChallengeHandler = WL.Client.createChallengeHandler("realm-name");

myChallengeHandler.isCustomResponse = function (response){
    return false;
};

myChallengeHandler.handleChallenge = function (response){
};
```

Use the WL.Client.createChallengeHandler() to create a challenge handler object. A realm name must be supplied as a parameter.



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The **isCustomResponse** function of the challenge handler is called each time that a response is received from the server. It is used to detect whether the response contains data that is related to this challenge handler. It returns **true** or **false**.



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If the isCustomResponse returns true, the framework calls the handleChallenge() function. This function is used to perform required actions, such as hide the application screen and show the login screen.



- In addition to the methods that the developer must implement, the challenge handler contains functionalities that the developer might want to use:
 - The myChallengeHandler.submitAdapterAuthentication() is used to send collected credentials to a specific adapter procedure. It has the same signature as the WL.Client.invokeProcedure() API.
 - The myChallengeHandler.submitSuccess() notifies the Worklight framework that the authentication successfully finished. The Worklight framework then automatically issue the original request that triggered the authentication.
 - The myChallengeHandler.submitFailure() notifies the Worklight framework that the authentication completed with failure. The Worklight framework then disposes the original request that triggered the authentication.
- You will use these functions during the implementation of the challenge handler in the next slides.



Implement the isCustomResponse function.
It detects whether the server response
contains the challenge object that you defined
previously.

```
return {
    authRequired: true,
    errorMessage: errorMessage
};
```

You defined challenge object in the adapter.
 You now use its authRequired property.

```
singleStepAuthRealmChallengeHandler.isCustomResponse = function(response) {
   if (!response || !response.responseJSON || response.responseText === null) {
      return false;

   if (typeof(response.responseJSON.authRequired) !== 'undefined'){
      return true;
   } else {
      return false;
   }
};
```

 Return true if the authRequired property is found, false otherwise.



- Implement the handleChallenge function. It prepares the authentication UI.
- Use the optional errorMessage property of the challenge object.

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};
```

```
singleStepAuthRealmChallengeHandler.handleChallenge = function(response){
   var authRequired = response.responseJSON.authRequired;
   if (authRequired == true){
       $("#AppDiv").hide();
       $("#AuthDiv").show();
       $("#AuthPassword").empty();
                                                                                 If the authRequires is
       $("#AuthInfo").emptv();
                                                                                   true, it shows login
       if (response.responseJSON.errorMessage)
          $("#AuthInfo").html(new Date() + " :: " + response.responseJSON.errorMes
                                                                                    screen, cleans up
   } else if (authRequired == false){
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    $("#AuthDiv").
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If the authRequired is false, it shows AppDiv, it hides AuthDiv, and it notifies the Worklight framework that the authentication successfully completed.



- Clicking a login button triggers the function that collects the user name and the password from the HTML input fields, and submits them to the adapter.
- Notice that the challenge handler the submitAdapterAuthentication method is used.

```
$("#AuthSubmitButton").bind('click', function () {
   var username = $("#AuthUsername").val();
   var password = $("#AuthPassword").val();

var invocationData = {
    adapter : "SingleStepAuthAdapter",
    procedure : "submitAuthentication",
    parameters : [ username, password ]
   };

   singleStepAuthRealmChallengeHandler.submitAdapterAuthentication(invocationData, {});
});
```

 There is no requirement to specify the callbacks because the response is checked by the IBM Worklight framework.

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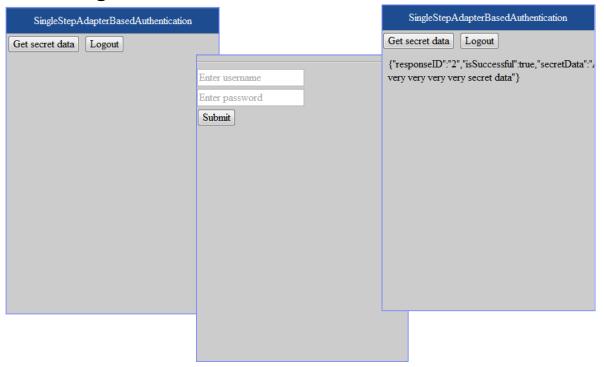


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Exercise

- Examine the Single Step Adapter-based Authentication sample.
- Update your authenticationConfig.xml file according to the training module (included in the sample).
- Implement a two-step authentication flow according to the following rules:
 - Step 1 The user name and the password validation as described in the training module.
 - Step 2 After the user name and the password are verified, a secret question is sent to the application (for example "What is your pet's name").
 - An answer is collected from the user and sent to the server (the adapter).
 - Only if the answer to the secret question passes validation, an authenticated session is established (the WL.Server.setActiveUser() API).
- The sample for this training module can be found in the Getting Started page of the IBM® Worklight documentation website at http://www.ibm.com/mobile-docs



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