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Security for Resources



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This presentation will focus on security for resources.

Goals

- Understand security settings for Resources defined in WebSphere Application Server V6



The goals for this presentation are to help you understand security settings for resources defined in WebSphere Application Server V6.

Agenda

- Resource Security Overview
- Application level Authentication/Authorization settings
- Application Managed Authentication
- Container Managed Authentication
- Examples

The agenda for this presentation is listed in the above slide.

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WebSphere Application Server V6 Resource Security

The next section will discuss resource security within WebSphere Application Server V6.

Resource Security: Overview

- Resources such as Java™ Messaging Service (JMS) and JDBC can be authenticated and authorized by the following type:
 - ▶ Application: res-auth=Application
 - ▶ Container (WebSphere): res-auth=Container
- Application supplies additional information required by the authentication type selected
- Application level configuration can be performed as follows:
 - ▶ While assembling the application in the IBM® Rational® tool or Application Server Toolkit
 - ▶ Within WebSphere (using administrative console or wsadmin) while installing application or post-install
- WebSphere allows you to specify default values in the Resource configuration (data source or connection factory) for application managed authentication

Component Managed Authentication

- This applies only when res-auth=Application
- If credential (user ID/password) are specified in the getConnection() method, those credentials are going to be used
- If no credential specified in getConnection(), then the value in Component-managed authentication alias specified with the resource is used
 - ▶ Component managed authentication is a special case of Application managed authentication where the component-managed authentication alias configured on the resource is used for authentication
- If application managed authentication is specified, either the user ID/password must be specified in the method or as the Component-managed authentication alias with the resource
 - ▶ If not, Exception will be thrown if the back end resource requires authentication
- Component Managed Authentication behavior is same as WebSphere Application Server V5



Note that if res-auth=Container, the specified user ID/password will be ignored

Component Managed Authentication Settings

Values in Application Deployment Descriptor		Corresponding Values in the WebSphere for Resource Authentication (Datasource or J2C connection factory)	
Auth. Type	Authentication Method	Specify Authentication Alias as:	Mapping Login Configuration Alias
Component (called "Per_Connection_Factory" in tools and "Per_application" in Admin console)	N/A	Component Managed	N/A

WebSphere Bindings
The following are binding properties for the WebSphere Application Server.

JNDI name:

CMP Connection Factory JNDI Name:

Container authorization type:

JAAS Login Configuration:
 Container Managed Authentication (Deprecated)
 Use Default Method:

In Tools, specified as "Per_Connection_Factory" Done during Application Assembly

Authentication

Component-managed authentication alias:

Container-managed authentication alias (deprecated in 6.0):

Mapping-configuration alias (deprecated):

In WebSphere Resource (like DataSource) panel

To modify the Authorization type:

- Select one or more checkboxes in the table
- Select either 'container' or 'per connection factory'
- Click Apply

Resource authorization:

In WebSphere Administrative Console, during install or post-install

Container Managed Authentication

- Container Managed Authentication can be used with or without specifying a JAAS login
- JAAS login configuration is specified in the application (IBM Binding DD) using Resource Reference or CMP Connection Factory Binding (for CMP EJBs)
 - ▶ In the AST tool or Rational Tool
 - ▶ In WebSphere during application install or post-install – recommended
- Container Managed Authentication options specified in the Application DD:
 - ▶ **None** – similar to V5 – deprecated in V6 – Does not use any JAAS login
 - ▶ **Default** – WebSphere supplied DefaultPrincipalMapping JAAS Login configuration
 - ▶ **Custom** – WebSphere supplied DefaultPrincipalMapping or user supplied
 - You can create a new application JAAS configuration using the `com.tivoli.pd.as.gso.AMPrincipalMapper LoginModule`, which uses the TAM server shipped in WebSphere Application Server V6.0 Network Deployment package
- Container Managed Authentication options specified in DataSource or J2C Resource – these are deprecated in V6:
 - ▶ Container managed Authentication alias (user ID/password) – used when **None** is specified in the application JAAS login – V5 behavior
 - ▶ JAAS login configuration to be used, if you want to use JAAS login configuration the old way similar to V5 – you would specify “None” in the Application DD

Container Managed Authentication Settings

Values in Application Deployment Descriptor Binding file		Corresponding Authentication Values in the WebSphere Resource Configuration (Datasource or J2C connection factory)		Comments
Authentication Type	Authentication Method	Specify Authentication Alias:	Mapping Login Configuration Alias	
Container	<p>None ¹</p> <p>Indicating that no JAAS login configuration is specified</p>	Container Managed Authentication Alias	Select None or appropriate JAAS login configuration	<p>This is similar to v5 Container Managed Authentication</p> <p>(Deprecated in v6)</p>
Container	<p>Default along with Authentication Alias</p> <p>Uses DefaultPrincipalMapping JAAS login configuration</p>	Ignored if present		
	<p>Custom JAAS login configuration</p> <p>WebSphere supplied or user supplied</p> <p>Specify additional information using custom properties</p>	Authentication information is in the Application JAAS login Configuration	Not applicable	

¹ In tools, this is specified by selecting “Container Managed Auth. (Deprecated)” option

Container Managed Authentication Setting UI

Administrative Console - During Application install or post-install

OR

In Tools – setting Authentication type and other information

Match the numbers - Specify Auth. type and one of the authentication methods

- 1) Specify Authentication Type = Container
- 2) Authentication method = NONE – similar to V5
- 3) Default Authentication Method and Auth. alias - “DefaultPrincipalMapping” Login configuration
- 4) Custom Login configuration can use any WebSphere or user supplied custom JAAS Login configuration

Resource Config.

Administrative Console Resource setting for Authentication

Section

Examples

The next section will give some examples of resource security within WebSphere Application Server V6.

Use Component Managed Authentication

- Configuration on Application side (either in tools or Administrative Console)
 - ▶ In tools, set the following on the Resource Reference or the CMP EJB CMP Connection Factory Binding
 - Authorization - Container Authorization type: Per_Connection_Factory
 - ▶ In Administrative Console, on Map References or Map data sources
 - Authorization - Resource Authorization: Per_Application
- Configuration on Resource side:
 - ▶ On Data Source Resource panel, optionally set:
 - Component Managed Authentication Alias (used if application does not provide user ID/password)

Container Managed Authentication

- Configuration on Application side (either in tools or Administrative Console)
 - ▶ In tools, set the following on the Resource Reference or the CMP EJB CMP Connection Factory Binding
 - Authorization - Container Authorization type: Container
 - Authentication method - JAAS login Configuration: Container Managed Authentication (deprecated) – indicates that no JAAS login configuration is used
 - ▶ In Administrative Console, on Map References or Map data sources
 - Authorization - Resource Authorization: Container
 - Authentication method (JAAS Login Config.): None
- Configuration on Resource side:
 - ▶ On Data Source Resource panel, set:
 - Specify Container Managed Authentication Alias
 - Default JAAS login configuration - Mapping Configuration Alias: NONE – Setting to any other value will result in exception

Container Managed Authentication: JAAS login

- **Configuration on Application side (either in tools or Administrative Console)**
 - ▶ In tools, set the following on the Resource Reference or the CMP EJB CMP Connection Factory Binding
 - Authorization - Container Authorization type: Container
 - Authentication method - JAAS login Configuration: Default
 - Authentication Alias (data): Specify J2C authentication alias (user ID/password)
 - ▶ In Administrative Console, on Map References or Map data sources
 - Authorization - Resource Authorization: Container
 - Authentication method (JAAS Login Configuration): Default
 - Authentication Alias: Specify J2C authentication alias (user ID/password)
- **Configuration on Resource side:**
 - ▶ On Data Source Resource panel, set:
 - Container Managed Authentication Alias: Ignored
 - Mapping Configuration Alias (JAAS login configuration): Ignored

Custom JAAS login

- Configuration on Application side (either in tools or Administrative Console)
 - ▶ In tools, set the following on the Resource Reference or the CMP EJB CMP Connection Factory Binding
 - Authorization - Container Authorization type: Container
 - JAAS login Configuration: Custom
 - Specify the Custom JAAS login configuration and any custom properties for the JAAS login
 - ▶ In Administrative Console, on Map References or Map data sources
 - Authorization - Resource Authorization: Container
 - Authentication method (JAAS Application login configuration): Custom
 - Specify the Custom JAAS login configuration and any custom properties for the JAAS login
- Configuration on Resource side:
 - ▶ On Data Source Resource panel, set:
 - Container Managed Authentication Alias: Ignored
 - Mapping Configuration Alias (JAAS login configuration): Ignored

Custom Mapping JAAS LoginModule Programming Model

- **New Callback Types in V6**
 - ▶ `com.ibm.wsspi.security.auth.callback.WSManagedConnectionFactoryCallback`
 - ▶ `com.ibm.wsspi.security.auth.callback.WSMappingPropertiesCallback`
 - Mapping properties are arbitrary name-value pairs specified on the "Mapping resource references to resources" panel
 - Authentication alias for the DefaultPrincipalMapping module is specified by the property name `MAPPING_ALIAS = "com.ibm.mapping.authDataAlias"`
- **Previous Callback Types in V5 (Should not use in new mapping LoginModule, although still supported)**
 - ▶ `com.ibm.ws.security.auth.j2c.WSManagedConnectionFactoryCallback`
 - ▶ `com.ibm.ws.security.auth.j2c.WSAuthDataAliasCallback`
- Login configuration configured at Resource Reference must use LoginModules programmed to the V6 type of Callbacks
- Login configuration configured at Connection Factory may use LoginModules programmed either to V6 or V5 types of Callbacks

Section

Summary and Reference

The next section will discuss the summary.

Summary

- There are different resource authentication mechanisms
 - ▶ Application Managed
 - ▶ Container Managed

In summary, this presentation has focused on both Component Managed, and Container Managed resource authentication mechanisms.

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