



# User Authentication using the Client Principle Object

## PUG Challenge America

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# Agenda



- Define Authentication Authorization and the role of the CP Object
- Security Domains and how they effect Authentication Strategies
- Creating CP Object
- Best practice for integration into application context
- Using Authentication Callback Procedures

# Authentication



- A process that establishes a valid identity.
- Validation of a UserID and Password combination.
- Security Token provides a durable persistent means of establishing an identity for a period of time.

# Authorization



- Process that grants or revokes access to application data, functionality or workflow.
- Based upon an established Identity.

# Client Principal Object



- Provides a means of establishing an authenticated identity.
  - Durable
  - Repeatable
- Validate UserID / Password
  - Depends on the domain type associated with a user.



# Importance of a CP Object

- Establish identity on and AppServer (WebSpeed or Open AppServer).
- Establish Tenancy.
- Establish and identity for auditing.
- Establishing single sign-on

# What is a Client Principal Object?



- Dynamic ABL Object
  - Created and maintained using ABL code.
  - Methods
  - Attributes



# What is a Security Token?

- Unique value that represent an identity.
- Generated once and identity is established and used to re-establish and identity.
- Encrypted String
- Not the CP Object itself, but used to re-constitute a CP Object.



# Security Domains

- Effect the way in which Users Authenticate.
- Required for creating a Client Principal Object.
- Domains Establish Tenancy.



# Domain Types

- `_oeusertable`: User profiles maintained via the `_User` table in an OpenEdge Database.
  - Web, AppServer, GUI, TTY



# Domain Types

- `_oslocal`: User profiles maintained via the host operating system.
  - GUI, TTY



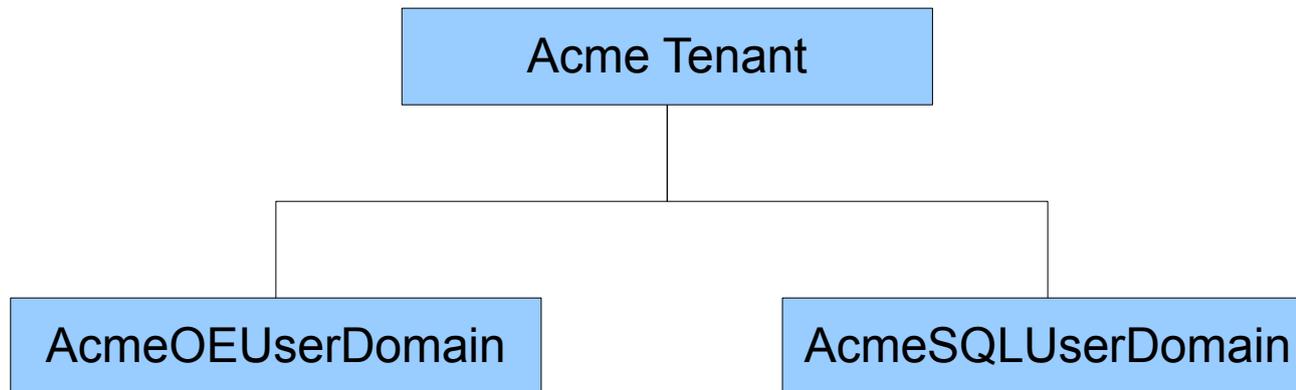
# Domain Types

- \_extsso: User Profiles maintained via and application table or external source (Possibly LDAP).
  - Web, AppServer, GUI, TTY



# Domain Tenant Relationship

- A Tenant is associated with one or more Domains.
- A Domain is associated with a single Tenant.





# Pre-configured Domains

- Default (blank) Domain
  - For backward compatibility.
  - Associated with the Default Tenant.
  - Uses the \_oeusertable Domain Type.
  - Can't be deleted.



# Pre-configured Domains

- Reserved for command line utilities
  - WINDOWS
  - WINDOWSID
  - UNIX
  - UNIXID

# 3 Ways to Load Domain for a Session



- Domains defined within a database are loaded as DB Connections are made.

# 3 Ways to Load Domain for a Session



- Domains can be defined in a single database and manually loaded and applied across multiple DB Connections
  - For those databases relying on the domains defined in another database, turn on “Use Application Domain Registry” setting.
  - Then, use `SECURITY-POLICY:LOAD-DOMAINS(dbname)` to load the domains defined in the `<dbname>` database.

# 3 Ways to Load Domain for a Session



- Register a Domain defined outside a OE Database.
  - Use SECURITY-POLICY:REGISTER-DOMAINS(*domain-name*, *access-code*) method.



# CP Object

- The CP Object becomes part of a user's session context.
- It can be used to set the UserIDs of all connected databases at run-time



# Steps to Using CP Object

- Define Security Domains
- Load Security Domain (Session)
- Create CP Object
- Assign three key attribute
  - UserID
  - Domain Name
  - SessionID
- Seal CP Object
  - Domain AccessKey
- Establish Identity



# Sample Create CP (\_extsso)

```
CREATE CLIENT-PRINCIPAL hClientPrincipal.  
  
/* Set CP Object Values */  
  
hClientPrincipal:SESSION-ID = BASE64-ENCODE(GENERATE-UUID).  
  
hClientPrincipal:USER-ID = pcUserID.  
  
hClientPrincipal:DOMAIN-NAME = 'bravepoint.com'.  
  
hClientPrincipal:DOMAIN-TYPE = 'Internal'.  
  
hClientPrincipal:LOGIN-EXPIRATION-TIMESTAMP =  
  
                                ADD-INTERVAL(NOW, 60, 'seconds').
```



# Sample Create CP

- Initialize Method

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```
CREATE CLIENT-PRINCIPAL hClientPrincipal.
```

```
IF NOT hClientPrincipal:INITIALIZE (pcUserID,          /* UserID */
                                     ?,                /* SessionID */
                                     ADD-INTERVAL(NOW, 60, 'seconds'), /* Expiration */
                                     pcPasswd)         /* Password */
```



# Sample Create CP

- The Domain Access Key was previously defined using the Data Admin tool or setup manually using register-domain().

```
hClientPrincipal:SEAL(cDomainAccessKey)
```



# Sample Create CP (\_extsso)

- SET-DB-CLIENT will set the effective UserID for all connected databases or those explicitly specified.

```
SET-DB-CLIENT(hClientPrincipal)
```



# CP Object Portability

- CP Object provides methods to import and export it's values.
  - CP Object exports and imports from a raw data type.

```
DEFINE VAR rCP AS RAW NO-UNDO.
```

```
rCP = hClientPrincipal:EXPORT-PRINCIPAL().
```

# CP Object and Session Context



- Best Practice
  - Store the CP Object in a session context DB Table.
    - SessionContext.SessionID AS CHARACTER
    - SessionContext.ContextObject AS RAW
  - Pass an encrypted token containing the associated sessionID back to the client.
    - SecureToken is used to reconstitute the CP Object each time a user interacts with an agent.
    - SecureToken is a character string.



# Demo App Domains

Tenant	Domain	Type
Bravepoint	BP	_oeusertable
Bravepoint	BPext	_extsso
Acme	AC	_oeusertable
Acme	ACLocal	_oslocal
Admin	Super	_oeusertable

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### Edit Database Domains

Domain name: <Search>

Domain Name	Authentication System	Tenant Name	Enabled
	_oetable	Default	true
AC	_oetable	acme	true
ACLocal	_oslocal	acme	true
BP	_oetable	bravepoint	true
BPext	_extsso	bravepoint	true
BP_SQL	_oetable	bravepoint	true
super	_oetable	admin	true

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Built-in

Domain name:

Authentication system:

Tenant name:

Access code:

Confirm access code:

Description:

Comments:

Enabled

Auditing context:

Runtime options:

System options:



# Authentication CallBack Procedure



- Associated with a Domain Type
- AuthenticateUser
  - Executes prior to sealing the CP Object
  - Provide custom user validations
- AfterSetIdentity
  - Create or Set additional Application Context

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### Edit Database Authentication Systems

Name	Description
_extsso	Built-in SSO module
<b>_ousercontentable</b>	Built-in authentication module
_oslocal	Built-in authentication module to the local OS user accounts

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Name:

Description:

Callback:

Enable authentication:

Comments:





# Demo App Users

UserID	Domain
chrisl@AC	AC
clongo@ACLocal	ACLocal
clongo@BP	BP
bsmith@BPext	BPext
superc@super	super

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### Edit Database Users

User name: <Search>

User ID	User Name	Domain Name	SQL Only	Description
chris@AC	chris	AC	false	
clongo@BP	clongo	BP	false	
superc@super	superc	super	false	

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User ID:

User name:

Domain name: --None--

Password:

Confirm password:

SQL Only

Description:

Given name:

Middle initial:

Surname:

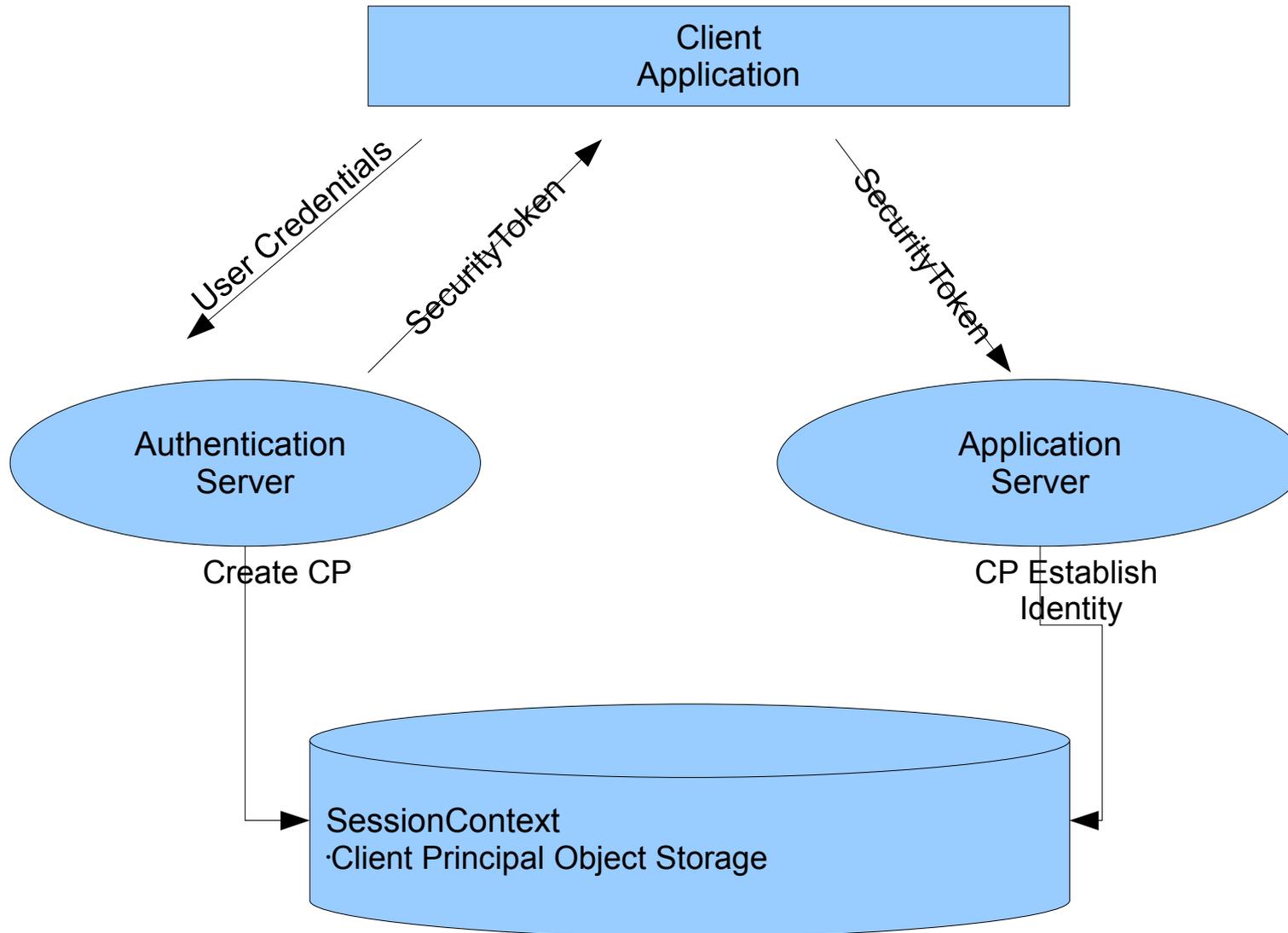
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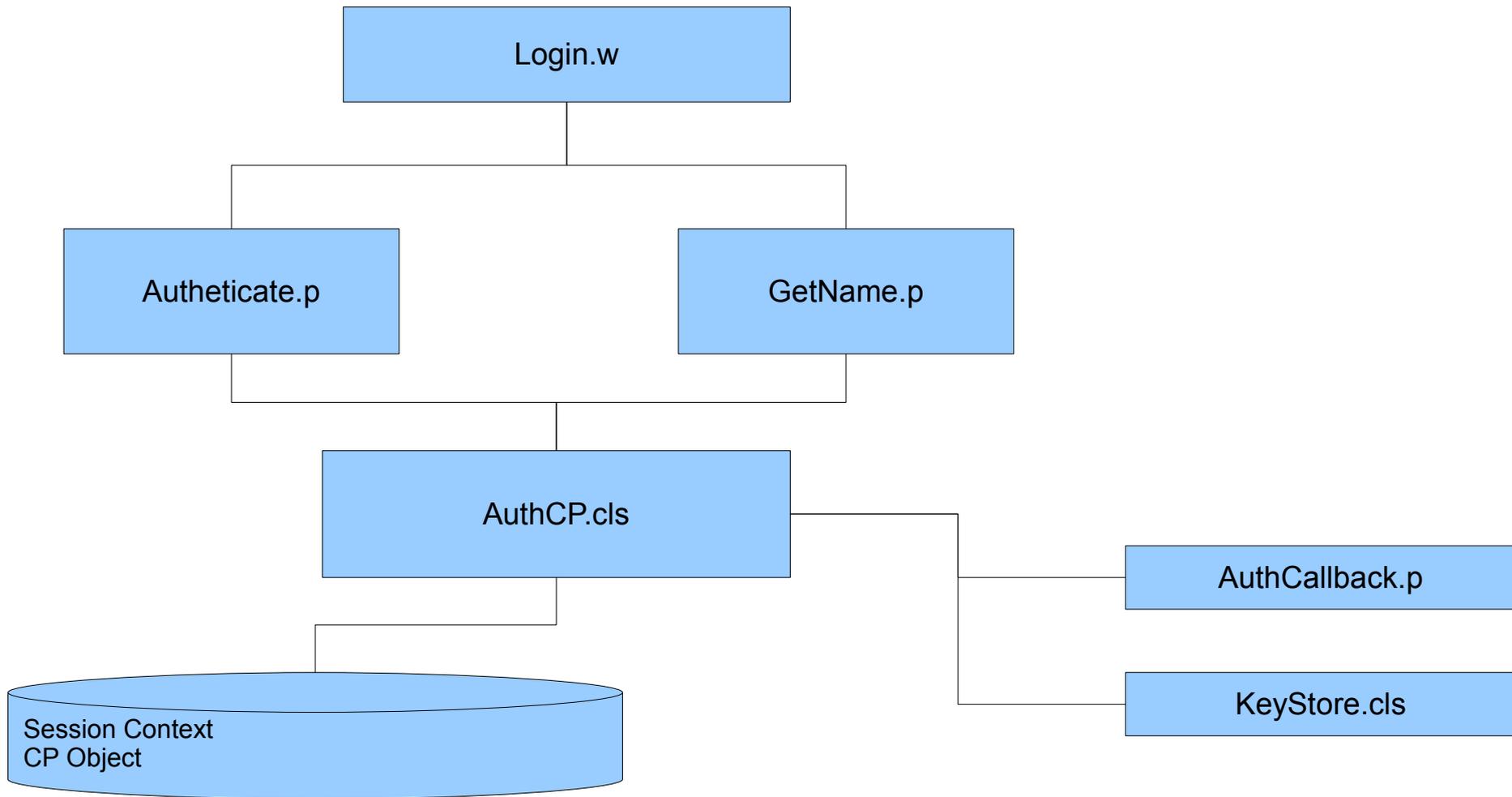


# Authentication Flow





# Demo Procedures



# Questions?

