

ForgeRock Access Management Customizations and APIs

(5 Days)

Course Description

This course provides a hands-on technical introduction to ForgeRock® Access Management (AM) APIs and customization use cases. Students examine AM extension points and gain the skills required to extend and integrate an AM deployment in a real-world context. Development best practices are demonstrated in a series of labs. Note that Revision B.2 of this course is built on version 6.5.2 of AM.

Prerequisites

The following are the prerequisites to successfully completing this course:

- Completion of the AM-400 Rev B course
- Basic knowledge and skills using the Linux operating system to complete labs
- Knowledge of JSON, JavaScript, AngularJS, REST, Java, Groovy, and XML is important for mastering an understanding of material and examples
- Basic knowledge of LDAP may be helpful for understanding code and some examples

Skills Gained

Upon completion of this course, you should be able to:

- List the extension points of AM
- List which customizable components are affected in common AM use cases
- Understand the basic concepts of scripting
- Use the administration interface to look up, edit, and configure scripts
- Describe how AM performs authentication
- Review authentication nodes and authentication trees
- Design and implement a custom authentication node
- Describe how scripted authentication works
- Explore how client-side scripts are used with authentication nodes and trees
- Describe how server-side scripted authentication operates with authentication nodes and trees
- Use the administration interface to create and test authentication trees containing scripted nodes
- Discuss the policy concepts in AM

- Implement an EntitlementCondition or a scripted condition
- Describe the ForgeRock[®] Common REST API (Common REST)
- Enable Cross-Origin Resource Sharing (CORS) in AM
- Authenticate users through the REST API
- Manage identities and realms through the REST API
- mplement password reset and user self-registration by using the REST API
- Query the list of dashboard applications through the REST API
- Use the policy engine to protect non-URL-based resources
- Describe the policy management and evaluation REST APIs
- Describe OAuth 2.0 and OpenID Connect, including how to use their HTTP endpoints
- Demonstrate scope validation and customize the default behavior
- Explain the basic concepts of User-Managed Access (UMA)
- Configure AM as an UMA authorization server
- Manage UMA resource sets
- Demonstrate how to customize the UMA workflow

Course Outline

Chapter 1: Introducing Customization in AM

- Introduce Java APIs, REST API, and REST API versioning
- Introduce customizing authentication
- Introduce customizing authorization and policy evaluation
- Describe use cases related to OAuth 2.0 and UMA
- Describe use cases related to SAML2
- Describe the course environment architecture
- Understand the course ContactList application functionality and its role in this course
- Manage (starting, stopping) the AM and Directory Services servers
- Describe development tools and scripts provided with the course environment

Chapter 2: Custom Authentication

Lesson 1: Introducing Authentication Trees and Nodes

- Review the concept of authentication trees and nodes
- Create a basic authentication tree
- Add existing authentication nodes to an authentication tree
- Implement a choice collector authentication node
- Assign the user choice to a session property
- Configure the Session Property Whitelist Service for the realm
- Test the authentication tree in a web browser and with the REST API
- Run a REST API function to view the authenticated user's session data
- Compare tree and chain authentication methods

Lesson 2: Customizing with Authentication Trees and Nodes

- Create a custom authentication node project using the Maven archetype from the command line
- Create a custom authentication node project using the Maven archetype within NetBeans
- Write the configuration interface for a custom authentication node

- Manage updates to the authentication node configuration interface
- Write the business logic for a custom authentication node
- Deploy a custom authentication node
- Modify an existing authentication tree to add the custom authentication node
- Test the custom authentication node using a web browser interface or its REST API

Lesson 3: Developing Scripts with Scripting APIs

- Explore client-side scripting with authentication nodes
- Deploy a custom authentication node that runs specific client-side scripts
- Include a client-side script with the custom authentication node in an authentication tree
- Create a script for use by a Scripted Decision node in an authentication tree to process the client-side data and return an authentication decision
- Receive and process data from the client-side script in a server-side script with a Scripted Decision node
- Understand client-side scripting with authentication trees by examining source code
- Configure the scripting engine properties and manage the APIs available to server-side scripts
- Test the script-based authentication with authentication trees and nodes

Lesson 4: Migrating Authentication Modules to Authentication Trees and Nodes

- Migrate a server-side authentication script to be used in a Scripted Decision node of an authentication tree
- Modify the server-side script to receive client-side data in the authentication tree context
- Design the server-side authentication script outcome values for use in the authentication tree
- Migrate a client-side authentication (module-based) script to be used by a custom authentication node
- Write the client-side logic to send client data to the custom authentication node in the context of an authentication tree

Chapter 3: Custom Authorization

- Review the main elements of the AM policy API
- Discuss the concept of resource types and policy sets (formerly applications)
- Describe the concept of application types
- Illustrate the policy structure
- Review the main groups of built-in policy conditions and their important members
- Discuss where an EntitlementCondition and a script condition can be used
- Implement, build, and deploy an EntitlementCondition
- Implement, create, and deploy a scripted condition
- Review the execution flow of the scripted condition
- Discuss the variables available to the scripted condition
- Use a scripted condition through the administration interface and the REST API
- Develop a custom policy condition for the ContactList application
- Modify the policy condition to return information about the maintenance mode
- Complete the policy set

Chapter 4: Customizing with REST Clients

Lesson 1: Using the REST API

- Explore AM services available through the REST API
- Describe the ForgeRock Common REST API
- Review the main characteristics of the REST API
- Discuss the verbs available in the REST API
- Review the status codes returned by the REST API
- Describe filtering, paging, sorting, and pretty printing
- Explain the REST API versioning
- Access the REST API from the administration interface by using a web browser
- Use the REST API from jQuery
- Use the REST API from AngularJS
- Describe and enable CORS
- List the configuration options for the CORSFilter
- Configure the CORSFilter in AM
- Modify the ContactList application to use AM for authentication
- Examine the client-side and server-side components of the ContactList application
- Modify an AngularJS module in ContactList that uses AM authentication services

Lesson 2: Authentication with REST

- Use the REST API to authenticate a user (sign in)
- Compare the simplified (username/password) and full authentication APIs
- Discuss application callback types
- Use the simplified and full authentication API
- Describe advanced authentication options (realm, authentication attributes, session upgrade)
- Use the REST API to log out
- Validate tokens and manage sessions
- Describe the session REST API
- Discuss the identity management REST API
- Read user attributes
- Create a realm
- Modify the ContactList application to use AM for all authentication functions
- Complete the AngularJS service interfacing AM to cover all authentication functions
- Modify the login service to use the testSelectRole authentication tree in AM

Lesson 3: Working with RESTful User Self-Service API

- Review the characteristics of the self-service API
- Illustrate the flow of password reset
- Enable the password reset functionality
- Perform a password reset through the REST API
- Discuss the flow of user self-registration
- Enable the user self-registration functionality
- Perform user self-registration
- Describe the concept of a user dashboard
- List dashboard applications through the REST API
- Implement password reset in the ContactList application
- Configure AM to use a local email server
- Emulate password reset using the command line

• Add password reset functionality to the ContactList application

Lesson 4: Authorizing with REST

- Describe how to protect URL-based resources
- Explain how to protect non-URL-based resources
- List the main elements of the policy management API
- Discuss the entities of the policy service
- Describe the policy evaluation REST API
- Explain the concept of policy sets
- Request policy evaluation for a set of resources
- Demonstrate how policy evaluation can be used to determine which user interface components to show in a JavaScript client
- Modify the ContactList application to use AM for authorization
- Create and test policy sets tailored to the ContactList application
- Extend the backend of ContactList to use the authorization REST API
- Extend the front end of ContactList to use the authorization REST API

Chapter 5: Federating with OAuth 2.0

- Explain the benefits of OAuth 2.0
- List the main elements of OAuth 2.0
- Illustrate the authorization code flow
- Describe the OAuth 2.0-related HTTP services available in AM
- Explain the benefits of OpenID Connect
- List the main elements of OpenID Connect
- Illustrate the authorization code flow extended with OpenID Connect
- Describe the TokenInfo endpoint
- Describe the UserInfo endpoint
- Discuss the OpenID Connect HTTP services
- Explain how scope validation is implemented in AM
- Implement and register a custom scope validation implementation
- Describe the default OpenID Connect script
- Create a custom OpenID Connect script
- Modify the ContactList application to use OAuth 2.0/ OpenID Connect for authentication and authorization
- Configure OAuth 2.0 and OpenID Connect in AM
- Create a customized scope validator and token response
- Modify the ContactList example application to use OpenID Connect for authentication
- Modify ContactList to behave as an OAuth 2.0 resource server

Chapter 6: Using User-Managed Access

- Explain the benefits and list the elements of UMA
- Describe the various tokens and tickets used in UMA
- Illustrate the UMA protocol flow
- Enable and configure an UMA Provider in AM
- Configure UMA stores
- Use the UMA discovery endpoint
- Manage resources on the UMA administration page
- Understand the UMA REST API
- Describe the resource set and user label endpoints

- Discuss the policy endpoint
- Explain the permission request, requesting party token, and pending request endpoints
- Understand UMA customization points
- Register UMA filters
- Implement resource sharing in the example application