



# Guide to Enabling Single Sign-on for Flows Started with the Java Flow Invoke Tool

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This Guide is intended for customers, Opsware Systems Engineers (SEs), and Customer Engineers (CEs) who have installed or are deploying Opsware PAS 7.0.

## Enabling single sign-on for flows started with the Java Flow Invoke tool

You can obtain security and performance benefits by configuring Central so that flows that are started from the Java version of the flow invocation tool (JRSFlowInvoke.jar) use the credentials of the person who is already logged on the machine. This is called *single sign-on (SSO)*.

**Note:** SSO support in Central is based on the standard Kerberos 5. The procedures for enabling single sign-on for Central vary depending on whether Central is to use a Linux key distribution center (KDC) or a Windows KDC (Active Directory, which supports the Kerberos 5 specification). These procedures are documented in the following two sections, which assume that the reader is familiar with Kerberos fundamentals, that is, terms such as principal, ticket, realm, KDC and keytab.

## Enabling single sign-on using Windows AD

To track an example through the following procedure, we'll assume the following:

- Central (either Windows or Linux) is located at alamo.mydomain.com
- The Windows AD domain controller is at mydomain.com
- The realm is MYDOMAIN.COM (note that for Windows AD, the realm name is usually the domain name, upper-cased).
- The account for which SSO is attempted is "jdoe".
- The PAS home directory is represented as "PAS\_HOME" in discussion and in commands.

### To enable single sign-on using Windows AD

1. Add an AD account for the host (the Central server that the Java flow invocation tool will point at when running the flows). The account must have the following format:

`HTTP/<server_name.domain_name>`

It is advisable to configure this AD account with the settings "Password never expires" and "Use DES encryption types for this account".

If you do not set DES encryption types for the account, AD uses the RC4-HMAC encryption type.

Using our example, the account that you add would be:

HTTP/alamo.mydomain.com

2. On the domain controller machine, open a command-line window and generate a keytab file, using the following command:

```
ktpass -out <server_name>.keytab -princ  
<service_name>/<server_name.domain_name>@<REALM_NAME> -mapuser  
<service_name>/<server_name.domain_name> -pass *** -crypto DES-CBC-  
MD5 -ptype KRB5_NT_PRINCIPAL
```

where:

\*\*\* is the password that you specified when you created the above AD account.

In our example, this command would look like this:

```
ktpass -out alamo.keytab -princ HTTP/alamo.mydomain.com@MYDOMAIN.COM  
-mapuser HTTP/alamo.mydomain.com -pass *** -crypto DES-CBC-MD5 -  
ptype KRB5_NT_PRINCIPAL
```

Copy the keytab file (alamo.keytab in our example) to the Central server, into PAS\_HOME/Central/conf directory.

3. Open PAS\_HOME/Central/conf/jaasLogin.conf in a text editor.
4. Add the following "com.sun.security.jgss.accept" section after the DharmaKrb5JAAS section, replacing PAS\_HOME in the highlighted section with the correct path:

```
DharmaKrb5JAAS {  
    com.sun.security.auth.module.Krb5LoginModule required  
        refreshKrb5Config=true;  
};
```

```
com.sun.security.jgss.accept {  
    com.sun.security.auth.module.Krb5LoginModule  
        required  
        storeKey=true  
        doNotPrompt=true  
        useKeyTab=true  
        kdc=mydomain.com  
        keyTab="PAS_HOME/Central/conf/alamo.keytab"  
        realm="MYDOMAIN.COM"  
        principal="HTTP/alamo.mydomain.com@MYDOMAIN.COM"  
        debug=true;  
};
```

5. In Central/conf, create a krb5.conf file that includes definition of the default realm and KDC (or make sure that the existing krb5.conf includes that information).

In our example, a minimal krb5.conf file would look like this:

```
[libdefaults]  
    default_realm = MYDOMAIN.COM  
    ticket_lifetime = 24000
```

```
[realms]
  MYDOMAIN.COM = {
    kdc = mydomain.com
    admin_server = mydomain.com
    default_domain = .mydomain.com
  }
```

```
[domain_realm]
  .mydomain.com = MYDOMAIN.COM
  mydomain.com = MYDOMAIN.COM
```

```
[pam]
  debug = true
```

6. Log in to Central and, on the **Administration** tab, click the **System Configuration** subtab.
7. Scroll down to **Kerberos Authentication Settings** and configure the location for the Kerberos 5 configuration file (krb5.conf) to point to "/Central/conf/krb5.conf".

**Notes:**

- Do not set a realm or a KDC on that page, because Central will now obtain them from the krb5.conf file.
  - You do not need to enable Kerberos authentication unless that is used for logging in.
8. Save your changes, and then restart Central.

By default, under PAS\_HOME/Central/tools (where the java flow invocation tool JRSFlowInvoke.jar is installed) there is an sso\_invoke\_krb5.conf.sample file that looks like the following:

```
[libdefaults]
  default_realm = MYDOMAIN.COM
  ticket_lifetime = 24000
```

```
[realms]
  MYDOMAIN.COM = {
    kdc = mydomain.com
    admin_server = mydomain.com
    default_domain = .mydomain.com
  }
```

```
[domain_realm]
  .mydomain.com = MYDOMAIN.COM
  mydomain.com = MYDOMAIN.COM
```

```
[pam]
  debug = true
```

9. Copy `sso_invoke_krb5.conf.sample` to `sso_invoke_krb5.conf` and edit the latter to match your domain, realm, and KDC.

By default, under `PAS_HOME/Central/tools` there is an `sso_invoke.bat` file for the Windows Central version (or `sso_invoke.sh` for the Linux Central version) that shows how to use the java flow invocation tool in single sign-on mode. You can run those shell scripts from that location. Or, if the invocation tool is to be used from a different machine than the Central server, copy the `JRSFlowInvoke.jar`, `sso_invoke.bat` (or `sso_invoke.sh`), and `sso_invoke_krb5.conf` files to that machine and adjust the paths (including the path to JRE 1.6, which is required on the target machine—you can obtain JRE 1.6 from the downloads page of the Java site, <http://java.sun.com/>).

You can invoke the shell scripts with a command such as the following:

```
sso_invoke alamo.mydomain.com:8443 /Library/MyFlows/myFlow
```

10. Log in to Central with an account that has Administrator rights.  
Next, you will need to give `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability to the SSO users.
11. The easiest way to give `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability to the SSO users is:
  - a. In Central, on the **Administration** tab, click the **System Configuration** sub-tab.
  - b. Scroll to the Kerberos section and set the default group to a group that has `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability.

This way, any headless invocation using SSO will have the capabilities of that group (flows cannot be invoked using the headless tool unless the user under whose credentials the invocation happens, has `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability).

Or, if SSO flow invocations need to be controlled on a user-by-user basis:

- On the **Administration** tab, create the Central user that matches the account under which the SSO flow invocation will happen (“jdoe” in our example) and specify that it is an external user.

For information on how to create a user and specify that it is an external user, see Help for Central.

The user must be a member of a group that has `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability; without this capability, the user will not be able to start runs using SSO flow invocation.

In addition to having the `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability, the user under whose credentials the SSO flow invocation happens needs to have **read** and **execute** permissions for the flow and the operations that the flow uses. For more information on granting permissions to flows and operations see Help for Studio.

12. If the SSO java invocation is from a Linux machine that is not configured to obtain Kerberos tickets automatically, obtain a forward-able ticket from the Windows domain controller (you might have to change `/etc/krb5.conf` to point it to the Windows domain controller), using a command like the following:

```
kinit -f jdoe@MYDOMAIN.COM
```
13. If Central is a Windows version hosted on a Windows 2000/2003 system, add the following registry key (do the same for the machine where the java invocation tool is to be invoked from, if the machine is Windows 2000/2003):

```
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\System\CurrentControlSet\Control\Lsa\Kerberos\Parameters  
Value Name: allowtgtsessionkey
```

Value Type: REG\_DWORD

Value: 0x01

## Enabling single sign-on using MIT KDC

**Note:** The following procedure assumes that the system uses a Linux version of MIT KDC.

To track an example through the following procedure, we'll assume the following:

- Central (either Windows or Linux) is located at fitzroy.mydomain.com
- KDC is at kdc.mydomain.com
- The realm is MYDOMAIN.COM.
- The account for which SSO is attempted is "jdoe".
- The PAS home directory is represented as "PAS\_HOME" in discussion and in commands.

### To enable single sign-on using MIT KDC

1. On the KDC machine, add a service principal for [HTTP/fitzroy.mydomain.com@MYDOMAIN.COM](http://fitzroy.mydomain.com@MYDOMAIN.COM) using the kadmin's `addprinc` command (for information on using kadmin, see the man pages for kadmin):  
`kadmin: addprinc -randkey HTTP/fitzroy.mydomain.com@MYDOMAIN.COM`
2. Export the principal you just created to fitzroy.keytab:  
`kadmin: ktadd -k fitzroy.keytab HTTP/fitzroy.mydomain.com`
3. Copy the keytab file to the Central machine at PAS\_HOME/Central/conf
4. In Central/conf, create a krb5.conf file that includes definition of the default realm and KDC (or make sure that the existing krb5.conf includes that information).

In our example, a minimal krb5.conf file would look like this:

```
[libdefaults]
    default_realm = MYDOMAIN.COM
    ticket_lifetime = 24000
    default_tkt_enctypes = des3-cbc-sha1

[realms]
    MYDOMAIN.COM = {
        kdc = kdc.mydomain.com
        admin_server = kdc.mydomain.com
        default_domain = mydomain.com
    }

[domain_realm]
    .mydomain.com = MYDOMAIN.COM
    mydomain.com = MYDOMAIN.COM
```

```
[pam]
```

```
    debug = true
```

5. Open /Central/conf/jaasLogin.conf in a text editor.
6. Add the following "com.sun.security.jgss.accept" section after the DharmaKrb5JAAS section, replacing PAS\_HOME with the correct path:

```
DharmaKrb5JAAS {
    com.sun.security.auth.module.Krb5LoginModule required
        refreshKrb5Config=true;
};

com.sun.security.jgss.accept {
    com.sun.security.auth.module.Krb5LoginModule
        required
        storeKey=true
        doNotPrompt=true
        useKeyTab=true
        kdc=kdc.mydomain.com
        keyTab="PAS_HOME/Central/conf/fitzroy.keytab"
        realm="MYDOMAIN.COM"
        principal="HTTP/fitzroy.mydomain.com@MYDOMAIN.COM"
        debug=true;
};
```

7. Log in to Central and on the **Administration** tab, click the **System Configuration** subtab.
8. Scroll down to **Kerberos Authentication Settings** and configure the location for the Kerberos 5 configuration file (krb5.conf) to point to "/Central/conf/krb5.conf".

**Notes:**

- Do not set a realm or a KDC on that page, because Central will now obtain them from the krb5.conf file.
- You do not need to enable Kerberos authentication unless that is used for logging in.

9. Save your changes, and then restart Central.

By default, under PAS\_HOME/tools (where the java flow invocation tool JRSFlowInvoke.jar, is by default installed) there is an sso\_invoke\_krb5.conf.sample file that looks like:

```
[libdefaults]
```

```
    default_realm = MYDOMAIN.COM
    ticket_lifetime = 24000
    default_tkt_enctypes = des3-cbc-sha1
```

```
[realms]
```

```
    MYDOMAIN.COM = {
        kdc = mydomain.com
        admin_server = mydomain.com
```

```
    default_domain = .mydomain.com  
}
```

```
[domain_realm]
```

```
    .mydomain.com = MYDOMAIN.COM  
    mydomain.com = MYDOMAIN.COM
```

```
[pam]
```

```
    debug = true
```

10. Copy `sso_invoke_krb5.conf.sample` to `sso_invoke_krb5.conf` and edit the latter to match your domain, realm and KDC.

By default, under `PAS_HOME/tools` there is an `sso_invoke.bat` file for the Windows Central version (or `sso_invoke.sh` for the Linux Central version) that shows how to use the java flow invocation tool in single sign-on mode. You can run those shell scripts from that location. Or, if the invocation tool is to be used from a different machine than the Central server, copy the `JRSFlowInvoke.jar`, `sso_invoke.bat` (or `sso_invoke.sh`), and `sso_invoke_krb5.conf` files to that machine and adjust the paths (including the path to JRE 1.6, which is required on the target machine—you can obtain JRE 1.6 from the downloads page of the Java site, <http://java.sun.com/>).

The shell scripts can be invoked with a command such as in the following:

```
sso_invoke fitzroy.mydomain.com:8443 /Library/MyFlows/myFlow
```

11. Log in to Central with an account that has Administrator rights.  
Next, you will need to give `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability to the SSO users.
12. The easiest way to give `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability to the SSO users is:
  - c. In Central, on the **Administration** tab, click the **System Configuration** sub-tab.
  - d. Scroll to the Kerberos section and set the default group to a group that has `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability.  
This way, any headless invocation using SSO will have the capabilities of that group (flows cannot be invoked using the headless tool unless the user under whose credentials the invocation happens, has `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability).

Or, if SSO flow invocations need to be controlled on a user-by-user basis:

- On the **Administration** tab, create the Central user that matches the account under which the SSO flow invocation will happen (“jdoe” in our example) and specify that it is an external user.

For information on how to create a user and specify that it is an external user, see Help for Central.

The user must be a member of a group that has `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability; without this capability, the user will not be able to start runs using SSO flow invocation.

- a. In addition to having the `HEADLESS_FLOWS` capability, the user under whose credentials the SSO flow invocation happens needs to have **read** and **execute** permissions for the flow and the operations that the flow uses. For more information on granting permissions to flows and operations see Help for Studio.

13. If the SSO flow invocation is from a Linux machine that is not configured to obtain Kerberos tickets automatically, obtain a forward-able ticket from the KDC (you might have to change `/etc/krb5.conf` to point it to the `kdc.mydomain.com` in our example), using a command like the following:

```
kinit -f jdoe@MYDOMAIN.COM
```

14. If the SSO flow invocation is from a Windows machine, a forward-able ticket needs to be obtained from the Linux MIT KDC. This can be done by using `kinit` executable under `PAS_HOME/jre1.6/bin`.

15. If the SSO flow invocation is from a Windows 2000/2003 system, add the following registry :

```
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\System\CurrentControlSet\Control\Lsa\Kerberos\Parameters
```

```
Value Name: allowtgtsessionkey
```

```
Value Type: REG_DWORD
```

```
Value: 0x01
```

## Enabling SSO when a network load balancer is used

The procedure is the same as in the above sections, the only change being that the service principal and keytab files are generated for the network load-balancer (NLB) machine and not for the individual Central nodes behind the load balancer.

For example, suppose that:

- The NLB machine is `nlb.mydomain.com`
- There are two Central nodes behind the load balancer: `central1.mydomain.com` and `central2.mydomain.com`

In this case, the service principal would be [HTTP/nlb.mydomain.com@MYDOMAIN.COM](#) (if Windows AD is used, the AD user account would be `HTTP/nlb.mydomain.com`), and the keytab file would be `nlb.keytab`.

In addition, you must:

- Copy the keytab to `central1.mydomain.com` and `central2.mydomain.com`.
- Modify the respective entries in `jaasLogin.conf` on those machines to point to `keytab=nlb.keytab` and `principal=HTTP/nlb.mydomain.com@MYDOMAIN.COM`

When you call the SSO flow invocation script, make sure that it points to `nlb.mydomain.com`, as in the following:

```
sso_invoke nlb.mydomain.com:<port_number> /Library/MyFlows/myFlow
```

where `<port_number>` is the port on which the network load balancer is listening.