



IOP Domain Boundary Controller v 3.1

Quick Installation Guide

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1 Introduction

This guide is intended to support rapid evaluation of the DBC's basic features. The first part explains the components that make up the Domain Boundary Controller and how to install them. The second part demonstrates the DBC's basic functionality following a step by step example.

2 DBC Components and Installation

2.1 DBC Components

The *Domain Boundary Controller* is an infrastructure building block. It is modularized into the following components that may be physically separated:

- the *DBC Proxy*, which transparently intercepts client requests and enforces security policies,
- the *Security Policy Server (SPS)*, which manages these policies, and
- the *Administration Console*, an advanced GUI tool, which allows for conveniently configuring the whole DBC system and managing security policies.

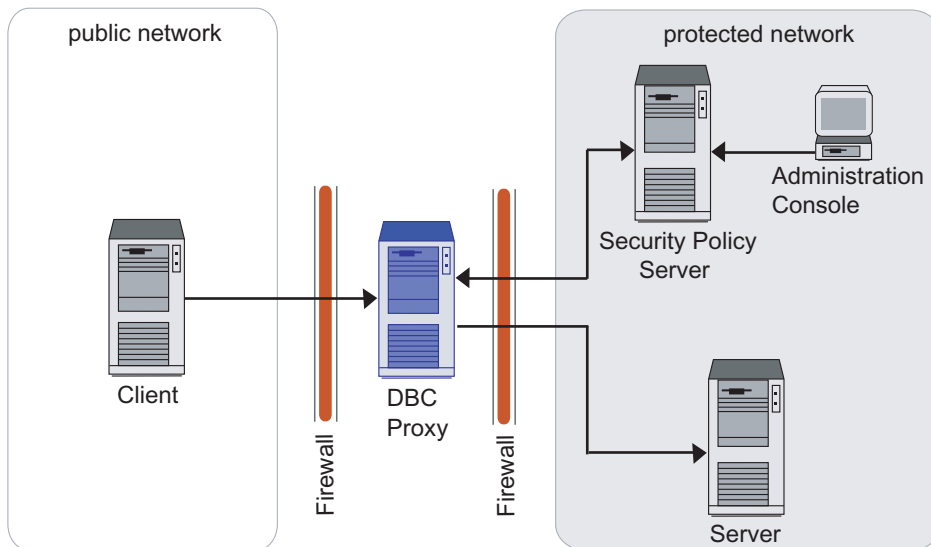


Fig. 1. Separation of DBC Components

As illustrated in figure 1 the main stronghold towards the public Internet is realized by the *DBC Proxy*. The Security Policy Server and the Admin Console are usually located inside the protected internal network, i.e., behind the DBC Proxy and any existing packet filters.

2.2 Component Specifications

DBC Proxy

The DBC Proxy is generally installed on a host that will become part of the firewall. All firewall machines are potential targets of attacks, so they require great care in the configuration of their operating system and their network components. Therefore, a hardened configuration of the operating system should be set up. A hardened configuration is a minimal system configuration which possibly relies on additional tools or libraries to increase the resilience of the system against attacks (cf. Chapter 6 “Hardened System” on page 55 of the Deployment Guide).

Security Policy Server

The Security Policy Server should be installed on a host located in a protected domain. However, for scenarios with less stringent security requirements, it can be installed on the same host as the DBC Proxy. If your security policy requires protection against attacks from the inside, you should also set up a hardened operating system configuration for the Security Policy Server host.

Administration Console

The Xtradyne Administration Console is written in Java and thus requires a platform where the Java2 Runtime Environment (JRE) is available. The JRE is included in the installation package of the Admin Console. Installation packages are available for the Linux and Solaris platforms as specified above. On the PC x86 platform the Admin Console is also supported on the following operating systems:

- Windows NT4 SP6a
- Windows 2000 SP2
- Windows 98 SR2
- Windows XP SR1a

To ensure acceptable performance, the host on which the Admin Console will be installed should have at least 256 MB RAM and 128 MB free disk space (recommended are 512 MB).

2.3 DBC Deployment

The Domain Boundary Controller can be deployed in different ways according to your requirements. For a detailed discussion, please refer to the Administrator’s Guide. For evaluation purposes all DBC components can be installed on one host.

2.4 Prerequisites

Table 1 gives an overview about the hardware and operating system requirements for the DBC Proxy, the Security Policy Server, and the Admin Console.

	Hardware Requirements	Supported OS
PC x86 Platform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPU: Intel Pentium III at 600 MHz • RAM: 256 MB minimum, 512 MB recommended • Free disk space: 512 MB • 1 Network Interface Card (NIC): up to four NICs supported on the Proxy host 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RHEL 3 and RHEL 4 WS or AS Update 4 (and higher) • SuSE Professional & Enterprise Linux 8.x and higher • Novell SuSE Linux Enterprise 10.x and open SUSE 10.x • Solaris 10 x86 (I-DBC only)
Sun sparc Platform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPU: 440-MHz UltraSPARC-II CPU • RAM: 256 MB minimum, 512 MB recommended • Free disk space: 512 MB • 1 Network Interface Card (NIC): up to four NICs supported on the Proxy host 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solaris 9 (kernel patch 112233-02) • Solaris 8 (kernel patch 108528-06 or higher) • Solaris 10 (kernel patch 118822-29 or higher)

Table 1. DBC Hardware Requirements and Supported Platforms

Note that if you want to operate the DBC Proxy and Security Policy Server co-located on a single machine, this machine should have at least 512 MB RAM.



2.5 Installation

The distribution (archive or CD-ROM) contains the directories `linux_glibc-2.2`, `linux_glibc-2.3`, `solaris`, and `windows`. The table below indicates which supported Linux distribution use the `glibc-2.2` or `glibc-2.3` respectively. Please choose the installer for your distribution from the appropriate directory.

glibc Version	Linux Distribution
<code>glibc-2.2</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SuSE Linux 8.x• SuSE Linux 9.0
<code>glibc-2.3</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RedHat Enterprise Linux 3.0 (Update 4 and higher) and 4.0• SuSE Linux 9.1 and higher

Table 2. glibc version of supported Linux Distributions

The following can be found in the respective directories:

Linux & Solaris

Linux & Solaris

- The installer for the **I-DBC Proxy**: `IDBCInstall-3.1.<x>.bin`
- The installer for the **WS-DBC Proxy**: `WSDBCInstall-3.1.<x>.bin`
- The **Admin Console** installer: `AdminConsoleInstall-3.1.<x>.bin`
- The installer for the **I-DBC example** application Frankfurter Bank:
`FrankfurterBankIIOP_Install-1.1.<x>.bin`
- The installer for the **WS-DBC example** application Frankfurter Bank:
`FrankfurterBankSOAP_Install-1.1.<x>.bin`

Windows

Windows

- The **Admin Console** installer: `AdminConsoleInstall-3.1.<x>.exe`
- The installer for the **I-DBC example** application Frankfurter Bank:
`FrankfurterBankIIOP_Install-1.1.<x>.exe`
- The installer for the **WS-DBC example** application Frankfurter Bank:
`FrankfurterBankSOAP_Install-1.1.<x>.exe`

Additionally, in the top level directory, you will find the following documentation files:

- a copy of this Administrator Guide in PDF format (`AdminGuide.pdf`),
- a Quick Installation Guide (`QuickInstallation.pdf`) to help with quick evaluation of the product,
- a Deployment Guide (`DeploymentGuide.pdf`) which explains different deployment scenarios and specialties e.g. high availability, and
- the release notes for this version.

Mounting the CD ROM

This section may be skipped if you downloaded the distribution as a tar archive.

On Linux, a CD can usually be mounted to make it available to the system by typing: Linux

```
mount /cdrom on SuSE Linux
```

```
mount /mnt/cdrom on Red Hat Linux
```

If this does not work, consult your operating system manuals. After mounting, the files contained on the CD will be available at the `cdrom` mount point.

On Solaris, the CD is usually mounted automatically under `/cdrom`. If not, use the command `volcheck`. If the Volume Manager is not running, determine the device name of the CD drive and enter the following commands to mount the CD: Solaris

```
mkdir /cdrom/dbc_cd
```

```
/usr/sbin/mount -f hsfs -r /dev/dsk/cddevice /cdrom/dbc_cd
```

Installer Prerequisites

To run the DBC installer root privileges are required.

Apart from installing the selected DBC component the installer will also perform some basic configuration and administrative operations. This includes the creation of an administrative UNIX user account (cf. “Choose a DBC User Name” on page 11).



Before starting the installer, make sure that the `DISPLAY` environment variable is set correctly, otherwise the installer will fail to run. When using `bash` or `sh` as shell, type:

```
DISPLAY=<host>:0; export DISPLAY
```

If no X windowing system is available, the installer can be run in console mode (start the installer with the option `-i console`).

2.6 Installation Steps

The installer comes up with a welcome screen and then guides you through the installation process. The following sections describe each panel in detail.

Choosing the Install Task

You can choose between the following installation tasks:

- Security Policy Server (SPS): This will install the Security Policy Server.
- DBC Proxy: This will install the DBC Proxy.
- Uninstall Security Policy Server: This will uninstall the Security Policy Server.
- Uninstall DBC Proxy: This will uninstall the DBC Proxy.

For evaluation purposes we recommend to install all components on a single host: Security Policy Server, and DBC Proxy. Check the appropriate boxes (as shown in figure 2, “Choosing Installation Tasks”) and proceed.

Note that when the Security Policy Server and the DBC Proxy are installed on different hosts, the Security Policy Server should be installed first because during the installation of the SPS, keys and certificates are created that are indispensable for the DBC Proxy.

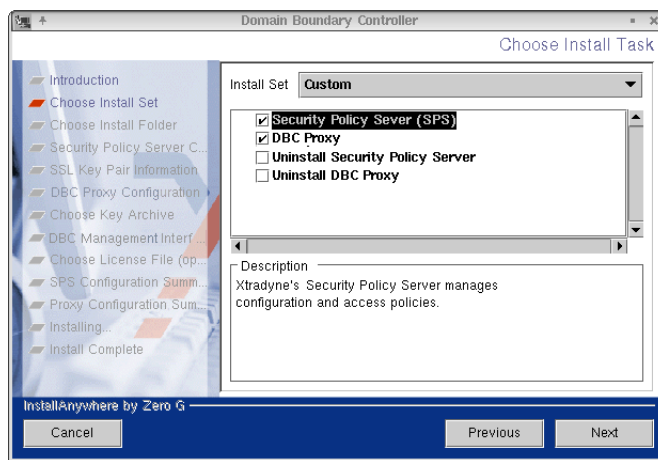


Fig. 2. Choosing Installation Tasks

Choose the Install Folder

Please enter an installation target directory, as shown in figure 3, “Choosing an installation directory”. If the default is acceptable (the directory `/usr/xtradyne/` on Linux

and `/opt/xtradyne/` on Solaris), simply click on the “Next” button. In the following we write `<INSTALLDIR>` to refer to the installation directory of the DBC.

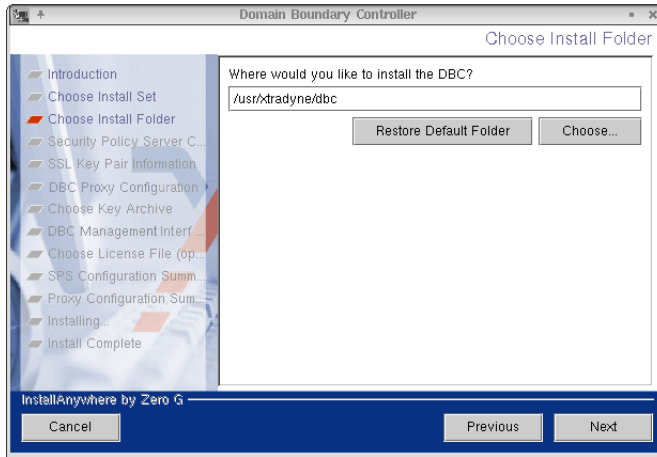


Fig. 3. Choosing an installation directory

Depending on the chosen component the following subdirectories will be created:

- `idbc` (when installing an **I-DBC Proxy**),
- `wsdbc` (when installing a **WS-DBC Proxy**),
- `sps` (when installing a **Security Policy Server**).

Choose a DBC User Name

Please choose a user name for the DBC account. This user account will be created during the installation (`xtradyne` by default). DBC processes will run under this user ID.

Security Policy Server Configuration

This panel only appears if the “**Security Policy Server**” task is selected.

The next step in the installation process is to enter basic configuration information for the Security Policy Server, as shown in figure 4, “Entering configuration data for the

Security Policy Server”. You will be asked to provide information about the host name and the port number by which the Security Policy Server can be contacted.

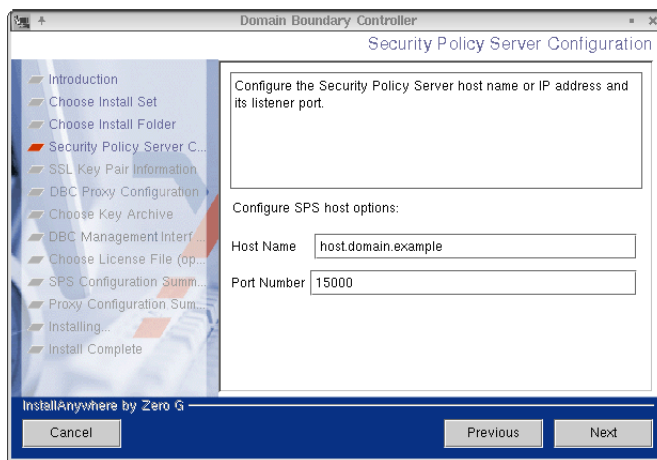


Fig. 4. Entering configuration data for the Security Policy Server



Note that the listener port for the Security Policy Server may need to be opened on a firewall if the DBC is deployed across several machines (cf. section “Typical Deployment Scenarios” on page 63 of the Administrator’s Guide).

Choose SSL Key Pair Information

This panel only appears if the “**Security Policy Server**” task is selected.

During installation of the Security Policy Server SSL certificates and trust stores are created to establish trust relations between DBC components. Please enter your company name and two letter country code (e.g., `us` for United States of America, `uk` for the

United Kingdom, de for Germany, etc.) into the text boxes. This data will be used as the Issuer Name in the generated certificates.

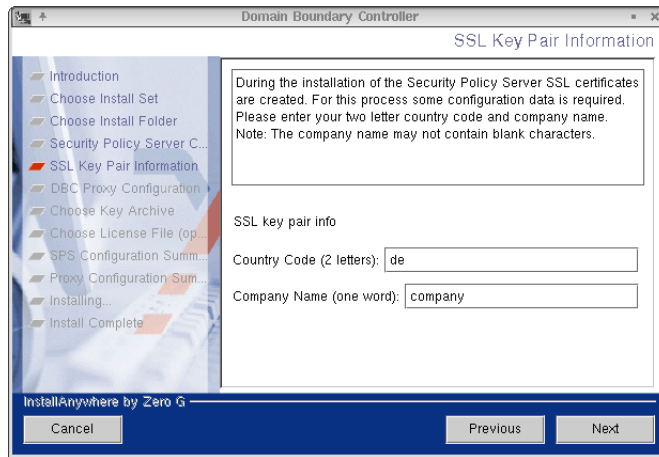


Fig. 5. SSL Key Pair information

A detailed description of the DBC's key management, i.e., which communication paths are secured by which keys and a list of all the key and certificate files generated by the installer, is given in chapter 10, "Installing Keys and Certificates" on page 201 of the Administrator's Guide.

DBC Proxy Configuration

The next step in the installation process is to enter basic configuration information for the DBC Proxy, as shown in figure 6, "Entering configuration data for the Security Policy Server". You will be asked to provide information about the host name and the port number by which the DBC Proxy can be contacted.

Note that if you install only the SPS this information is optional and can be configured later on with the Admin Console.

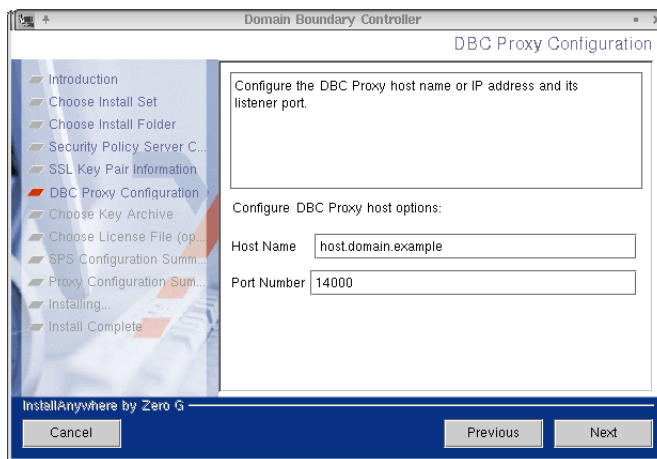


Fig. 6. Entering configuration data for the Security Policy Server



Note that the listener port for the DBC Proxy may need to be opened on a firewall if the DBC is deployed across several machines (cf. section “Typical Deployment Scenarios” on page 63 of the Administrator’s Guide). The default listener port for the **I-DBC** is 14000. The default listener port for the **WS-DBC** is 14001.

Choose Key Archive

This panel only appears if **only** the “**DBC Proxy**” task is selected.

When installing the Security Policy Server certificates and trust stores are created. The certificates needed on the DBC Proxy host can be found in the file <INSTALLDIR>/sps/adm/ProxyKeys.tar. Please provide this file name here. If this file is not available, you may skip this step and install the keys later on. Please refer to section “Generating Keys” on page 90 of the Administrator’s Guide on how to install the keys manually.

Choose License File

Depending on the selected component you can provide a license file for the SPS or the Proxy. The license is available from your reseller. If you did not obtain a license yet you may skip this step and install the license later on (cf. gray box “Installing the License”

on page 88 of the Administrator's Guide). Note that DBC and SPS will not start if no license file is present.

Configuration Summary

This panel shows the configuration summary of the each selected component. Please review the data carefully before continuing.

Installing...

After clicking "Next", the installation will be carried out. This will take a few moments.

In case of any problems during the installation of the DBC Proxy, see chapter 11, "Troubleshooting" on page 217 of the Administrator's Guide.



2.7 Startup, Shutdown, and Restart

Security Policy Server

The script for starting the Security Policy Server is called `xdn_sps`. It is located in the directory `/etc/init.d`. A symbolic link (`rcxdn_sps`) is created in `/usr/sbin/` on Solaris and `/sbin` on Linux. The start script is automatically executed when entering into runlevel 3 or 5 and runlevel 2 on Solaris.

The script can also be run from the command line. You have to be root to run the script. The following parameters can be used:

- to start the Security Policy Server: `rcxdn_sps start`
- to restart the Security Policy Server: `rcxdn_sps restart`
- to stop the Security Policy Server: `rcxdn_sps stop`
- to get status information: `rcxdn_sps status`

Note that you can also restart the Security Policy Server with the Admin Console. Section "When to Restart the DBC Proxy / Security Policy Server" on page 120 of the Administrator's Guide lists which changes in the configuration require a restart of the Security Policy Server.



DBC Proxy

The script for starting the I-DBC Proxy is called `xdn_idbc`. The script for starting the WS-DBC is called `xdn_wsdbc`. They are located in the directory `/etc/init.d`.

Symbolic links (`rcxdn_idbc` for the I-DBC Proxy and `rcxdn_wsdbc` for the WS-DBC) are created in `/usr/sbin/` on Solaris and in `/sbin` on Linux. The start script is automatically executed when entering runlevel 3 or 5 on Linux and in runlevel 2 on Solaris.

The script can also be run from the command line. To run the script, you have to be `root`. The parameters `start`, `restart`, `stop`, and `status` can be used.

Note that you can also restart the DBC with the Admin Console. Section “When to Restart the DBC Proxy / Security Policy Server” on page 120 of the Administrator’s Guide lists which changes in the configuration require a restart of the DBC.



2.8 *Installation of the Admin Console*

The Admin Console can be installed on Windows, Linux, or Solaris. In the distribution (archive or CD-ROM), you will find the directories `linux_glibc2-2`, `linux_glibc2-3`, `solaris`, and `windows`. These directories contain the executables for the respective operating systems that will install the Admin Console (`AdminConsole.bin` for Linux and Solaris and `AdminConsole.exe` for Windows).

Note that the Admin Console is a Java application, therefore the version of the glibc (for Linux) is not relevant. If you would like to install on a Linux system, you can choose an `AdminConsoleInstall-3.1.<x>.bin` installer from any of the linux directories.



Windows

To start the installation execute the file `AdminConsoleInstall-3.1.<x>.exe` in the `windows` directory.

Linux and Solaris

When installing from CD-ROM, please mount the CD-ROM as described in section “Mounting the CD ROM” on page 9. To start the installation execute the file `AdminConsole.bin` in the `linux` or `solaris` directory you just mounted.

Installation Steps

The installer will lead you through the set up process.

1. Introduction
2. Choose an Install Folder. The default destination is:
 - on Windows: <Program Files>\xtradyne\
 - on Linux: /usr/xtradyne/
 - on Solaris: /opt/xtradyne/
3. Please choose the `license.txt` file. It will be installed in the directory <INSTALLDIR>/adminconsole/bin. You can skip this step and copy or update the license file later manually. But if the Admin Console is started without a valid license not all features are available.
4. Installation Summary



Installing SSL Keys

We recommend configuring the Admin Console to use SSL with client authentication to communicate securely with the Security Policy Server. However, for evaluation purposes keys don't need to be installed and client authentication can be disabled (this is actually the default).

If you would like to install SSL keys for the Admin Console, please refer to section "Installing SSL Keys" on page 101 of the Administrator's Guide.

2.9 Summary

Up to now you have successfully installed the Domain Boundary Controller. The next section shows along with an example how to use the DBC to protect a service.



3 Protecting CORBA Applications – Example

This chapter presents the example CORBA application “Frankfurter Bank”. This is a simple fictitious bank application to illustrate how to run a CORBA application across the I-DBC and how to define an access control policy using the Administration Console.

3.1 Problems and Solution

There are two essential problems when trying to use the Internet Inter-ORB Protocol (IIOP) across today’s firewalls:

- Location-transparency and the dynamic allocation of addressing resources as done by CORBA middleware make it difficult to know in advance which hosts and ports will be used for transactions. Consequently, a broad port range would have to be opened on a firewall to make the application work - an immense security risk!
- Addressing information contained in a remote request is invalidated when crossing a network address translating router. Consequently, CORBA applications just don’t work across NAT routers.

A viable solution is to use the I-DBC which is installed as part of the firewall and listens at a dedicated port. It solves the problems stated above by inspecting passing CORBA object references and proxifying them (replacing addressing information). Additionally, the I-DBC can enforce fine-grained access control to guarantee that only trusted peers can interact.

In the following sections the example CORBA application Frankfurter Bank is presented and protected by employing the I-DBC. Note that not all the features of the I-DBC and the Frankfurter Bank application are explained here, as this is beyond the scope of this Quick Installation Guide.

3.2 Getting familiar with the Frankfurter Bank application

You are the security administrator of a fictitious bank application “Frankfurter Bank”. The application offers some operations for account managers and also has a small database (cf. figure 7, “Frankfurter Bank”):

- there are two account managers: Mrs. Monica Meyer and Mr. Stefan Bauer,
- they can withdraw and deposit money from/to accounts,

- there are two accounts in the database: The account with the number “4711” is owned by Max Smith and initially holds 750 EUR. The account with the number “1234” is owned by Ann Carter and initially holds 333 EUR.

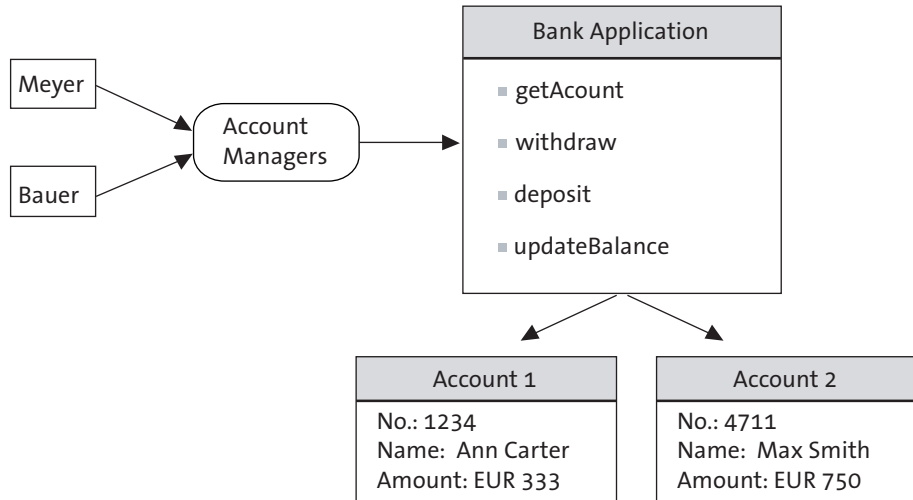


Fig. 7. Frankfurter Bank

Prerequisites for the Frankfurter Bank Example

The Frankfurter Bank example is written in Java. It is a CORBA application that is based on JacORB, an open source ORB developed at Freie Universität Berlin. The Frankfurter Bank example can be run on Linux, Solaris, or Windows.

The installer for this example is included in the DBC distribution (FrankfurterBankIIOP_Installer.bin for Linux/Solaris or for Windows FrankfurterBankIIOP_Installer.exe respectively). Running the installer will lead you through the setup of the example. By default, Frankfurter Bank is installed in `<user_home>/FrankfurterBank/iiop` on Linux/Solaris and in `C:\Program Files\FrankfurterBank\iiop` on Windows.

Running Frankfurter Bank

To get a first impression of how the application works, go to the directory where the application has been installed and start the Bank Server and Bank Client:

- Linux/Solaris:
 - Start the Frankfurter Bank Server: `bin/FBServer`
 - Start the Frankfurter Bank Client: `bin/FBClient`
- Windows:
 - Frankfurter Bank Server: **Start → Programs → Frankfurter Bank IOP → FBServer**
 - Frankfurter Bank Client: **Start → Programs → Frankfurter Bank IOP → FBClient**

The Server comes up with a window that displays some status information on the “Server Output” tab:

FBServer

- the listener port (by default TCP port 18010),
- the predefined accounts,
- and the status (e.g. Server running).

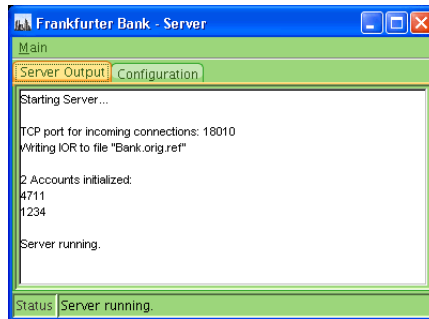


Fig. 8. Frankfurter Bank Example: Server

On the “Configuration” tab you can configure if the name service shall be used. This is explained in detail in the Administrator’s Guide, chapter “Protecting CORBA Applications – Example”, section “Using the Naming Service”.

By default, the Frankfurter Bank Server writes its IOR to `bin/Bank.orig.ref`.

Note that the Frankfurter Bank Server can be run in console mode when started with the option `-i`.

When starting the Frankfurter Bank Client it reads the Server IOR from `bin/Bank.orig.ref` and connects directly to the Frankfurter Bank Server (depicted in figure 9, “Frankfurter Bank Client and Server: Direct connection”).

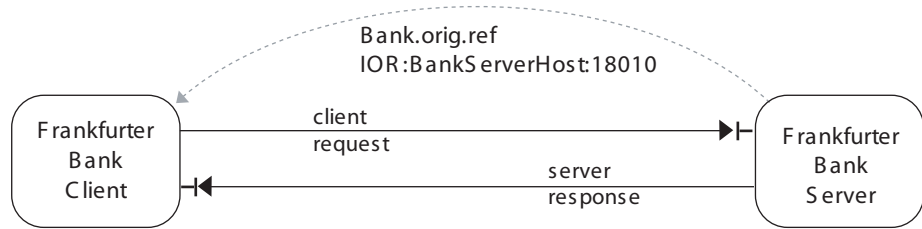


Fig. 9. Frankfurter Bank Client and Server: Direct connection

The client program comes up with a panel which offers different authentication methods on the “Login” tab (for a first start, you can choose authentication by IP-Address). Additionally, on the “Configuration” tab, you may enter the IOR File that references the server (by default, the IOR file pointing to the Frankfurter Bank server is `Bank.orig.ref`).

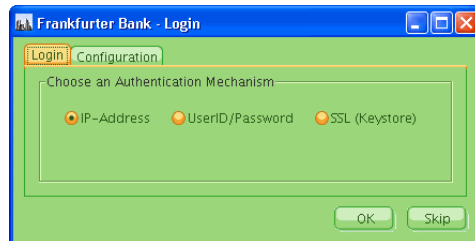


Fig. 10. Frankfurter Bank Example: Client Login Panel

Note that the IOR can be given in corbaloc notation, or a file containing the IOR can be chosen using the file selector next to the text field. There are more configuration options on the “Configuration” tab which will be explained in detail in the Administrator’s Guide, chapter “Protecting CORBA Applications – Example”.

After successful authentication, the predefined accounts are fetched with the operation `getAccount`. An interactive window will appear, where the account managers can place their queries.

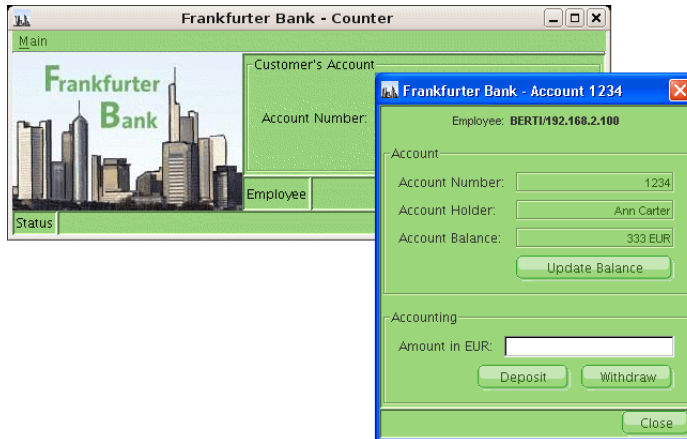


Fig. 11. Select an account

Deposit and withdraw money from the two accounts as you like and watch how the balance display is updated after pressing the “Update Balance” button.

Now that the application has been developed and passed all tests, it shall be installed in “real world” environment: the Frankfurter Bank Server shall be placed in a protected network behind a firewall. To run the CORBA application across a firewall you have decided to employ the I-DBC. How to do this is explained in the next section.

Additionally, there are strict security requirements, i.e., only the account managers may deposit and withdraw money from the accounts and to do so they have to authenticate using SSL or User ID/Password authentication. The Frankfurter Bank application itself has no access control implemented. So right now everybody can do everything! In section “Protecting an Application with the I-DBC” on page 26, the Admin Console will be used to define an access control policy which will be enforced by the I-DBC.

3.3 Running Frankfurter Bank With the I-DBC

As mentioned before, the Frankfurter Bank Server writes its original IOR into a file (`bin/Bank.orig.ref`). This IOR contains the host and port where the Frankfurter Bank Service can be reached (e.g., host is `BankServerHost` and port is `18010`).

To make the Frankfurter Bank Service available through the I-DBC, we have to import this original IOR (with the Admin Console) and proxify it, i.e., replace the addressing information contained in the IOR with the host and port of the I-DBC Proxy (e.g., host is `DBCHost` and port is `8884`). Then, the proxified IOR is exported to the client. The client uses the proxified IOR to connect to the I-DBC and place requests. The I-DBC passes these requests on to the Frankfurter Bank Server (depicted in figure 12, “Frankfurter Bank Client and Server: Connecting through the DBC”).

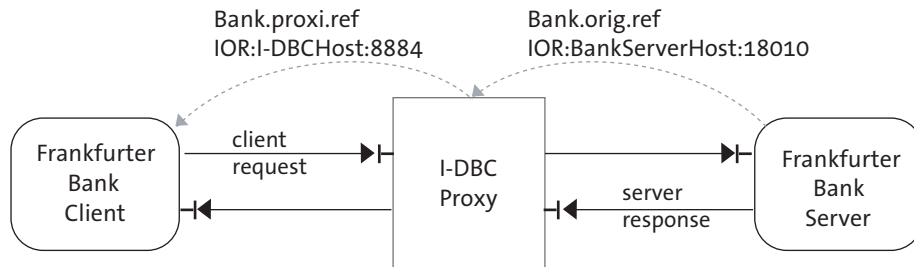


Fig. 12. Frankfurter Bank Client and Server: Connecting through the DBC

Let's Get Started!

Start the SPS, I-DBC, and Admin Console:

- to start the Security Policy Server (as root): `rcxdn_sps start`
- to start the Security Policy Server (as root): `rcxdn_idbc start`
- to start the Admin Console: `<INSTALLDIR>/AdminConsole/bin/AdminConsole` or `AdminConsole.exe`, respectively.
- login with the Admin Console to the SPS (enter the hostname or IP address and port number of the SPS (e.g., `DBCHost:15000`) and use the default user `admin` with the password `admin`).

Import the Server IOR

To import the original IOR go to the “IOR Proxification” panel (located underneath “I-DBC Proxy” in the navigation tree) and choose **Import Original IOR from File** from the context menu. Select `bin/Bank.orig.ref` in the file chooser.

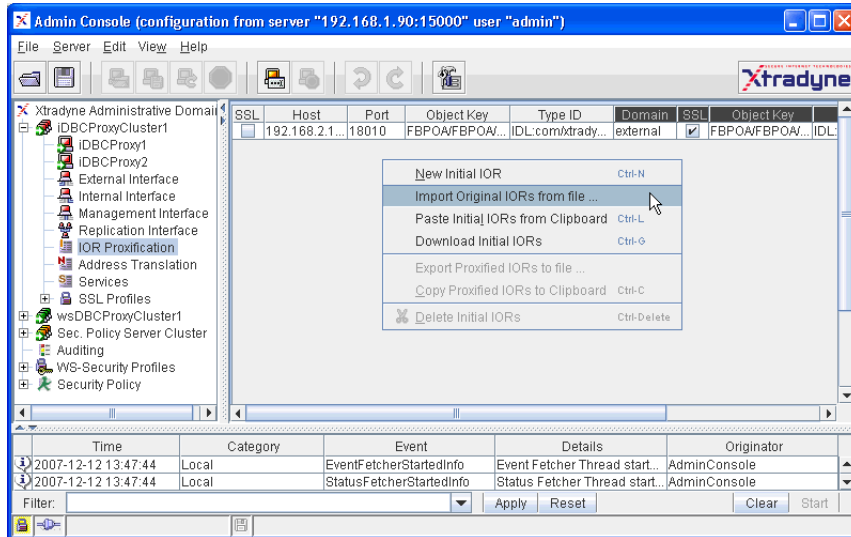


Fig. 13. Import IOR from file

The left side of the IOR table displays the values contained in the original IOR. The right side (with black headings) displays the values contained in the proxified IOR.

For better monitoring of the DBC you can enable audit events: Go to the “Auditing” panel and press the “Enable All” button (by default only the failure events are enabled).

Save the configuration to the SPS (**CTRL-W** or **Server - Write to Security Policy Server**).

Export the Proxified IOR to Client

Now choose **Export Proxified IORs to file from** the context Menu (same Admin Console panel as before). Save the proxified IOR to a file, for example, to `Bank.proxi.ref`.

Start the Frankfurter Bank client and enter the proxified IOR (e.g., `Bank.proxi.ref`) in the “IOR File” field on the login panel. This starts the client pointing it to the DBC (as depicted in “Frankfurter Bank Client and Server: Connecting through the DBC” on page 24). As authentication mechanism, you may use authentication by IP-Address (as we do not enforce Access Control yet, it does not matter...).

Verify that the service runs across the DBC

To verify that the application really runs across the DBC you can watch the events in the event browser at the bottom of the Admin Console (double-click on the event to bring up the details). If you enabled all events before, you should see the event `ProxyEngine.GIOPConnectionAcceptedSuccess`. It shows that an incoming GIOP connection from the Frankfurter Bank client host was accepted on port 8884 (default plain IIOP listener port).

You should also see the event `ProxyEngine.GIOPConnectionEstablishedSuccess` which shows that an outgoing connection from the DBC host to the Frankfurter Bank Server host on port 18011 has been established.

The first problem is solved now – we get across firewalls! Let's do Access Control!

3.4 Protecting an Application with the I-DBC

To protect an application with the I-DBC you generally have to carry out the following steps:

1. **Activate Access Control** with the Admin Console on the “I-DBC” panel or in case of a cluster on the “I-DBC Cluster” panel.
2. **Add the resource (Service) to the Security Policy:**
Make a new entry for the protected target service.
3. **Define Security Policies for the protected resource:**
Define access rules and authentication requirements that CORBA clients must respect:
 - a. **Define Users, Groups, and Roles:**
As a prerequisite for defining access rules, you need to set up the user entities to which your policy rules refer. For ease of management, users can be grouped (e.g., teams, departments, etc.) and assigned to roles (for concepts see “Access Control” on page 215 of the Admin Guide).
 - b. **Define how the Resource shall be protected:**
Define the required authentication and the required protection for clients accessing the resource.
 - c. **Define the Resource's Accessors:**
Define which users, groups, or roles may access the resource or certain operations of the resource.

Activate Access Control

Go to the “I-DBC Proxy (Cluster)” panel and check the “Use Access Control” box. All calls processed by the I-DBC Proxy will be subject to access control. Save the configuration to the SPS.

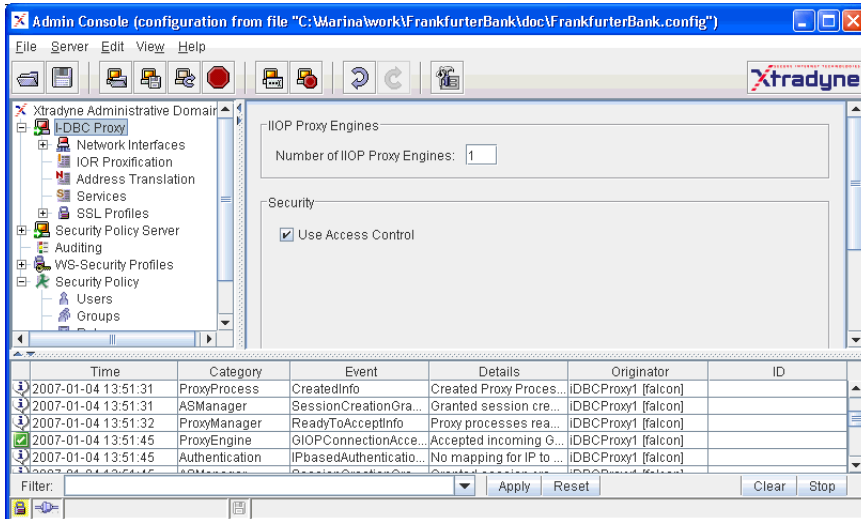


Fig. 14. Activate Access Control

Now restart the Frankfurter Bank Client and login to the server using authentication by IP address. After login try to view one of the two accounts. This will fail and a “No Permission” window will show up (see figure 15).

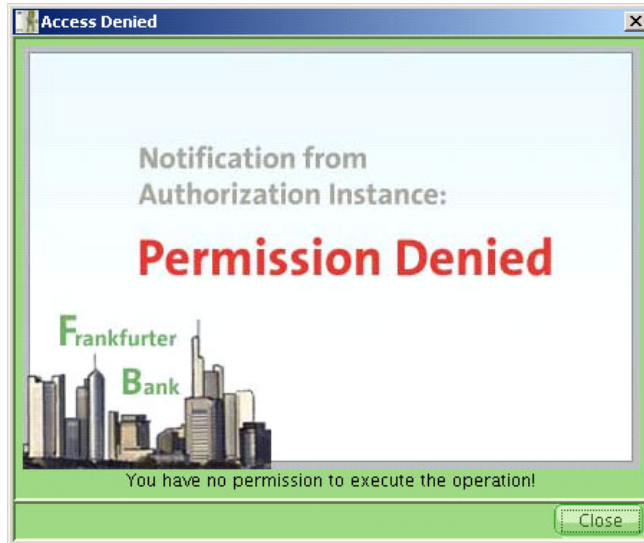


Fig. 15. All access denied

This is the expected behavior as all calls are subject to access control by the I-DBC but we have not defined any access rights yet. As a next step we will make the application accessible for the two account managers.

Add the Frankfurter Bank Resource to the Security Policy

A resource (representing the target service) can be added to the security policy manually or by importing the service’s IDL or EJB deployment descriptor. As the Frankfurter Bank application’s IDL is included in the installation, we will import it.

The IDL file can be found in `idl/FrankfurterBank.idl`. It comprises three types: `AccountServer`, `Account`, and `BalanceChangeListener`. The types and some of their key operations are depicted in figure 16.

Frankfurter Bank
IDL

Bank Application
IDL:com/xtradyne/frankfurterbank/AccountServer:1.0
■ <code>getAccount</code>
IDL:com/xtradyne/frankfurterbank/Account:1.0
■ <code>withdraw</code>
■ <code>deposit</code>
IDL:com/xtradyne/frankfurterbank/BalanceChangeListener:1.0
■ <code>updateBalance</code>

Fig. 16. Frankfurter Bank IDL: Types and operations

As a first step we want to grant complete access to all the types with all their operations. In a second step we will define a more fine-grained access control policy (section “Define a more fine-grained policy” on page 36).

To import the application’s IDL file, bring up the Admin Console, choose **File → Import IDL...** and select `idl/FrankfurterBank.idl` in the file chooser of the first wizard panel. Press the “Next” button. As we want to grant access to all operations of the IDL

types it is sufficient to import only the types, not the operations (as depicted in figure 17).

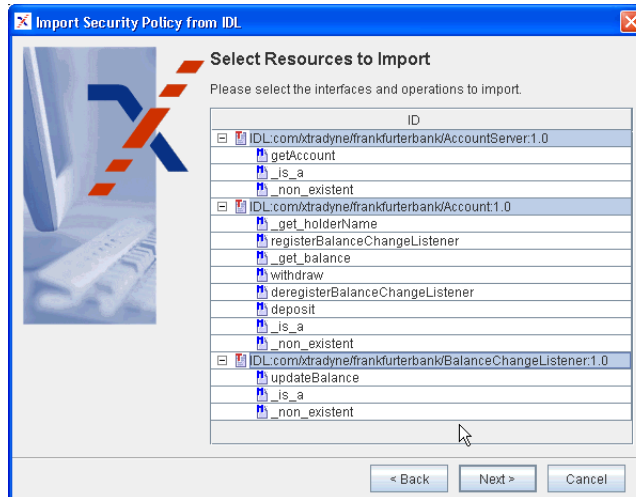


Fig. 17. Select Resources to Import



Note that if you import the operations as well, it will not be sufficient to grant access to the whole type. The rules defined for the type apply only to those operations that are not explicitly listed in the access control policy. For operations listed in the policy explicit access rules have to be defined.

Also note that you may skip the “Create Application” step in the import wizard.

After completing the IDL import you can view the resources by selecting “Resources” in the navigation tree on the left side of the Admin Console Window (figure 18).

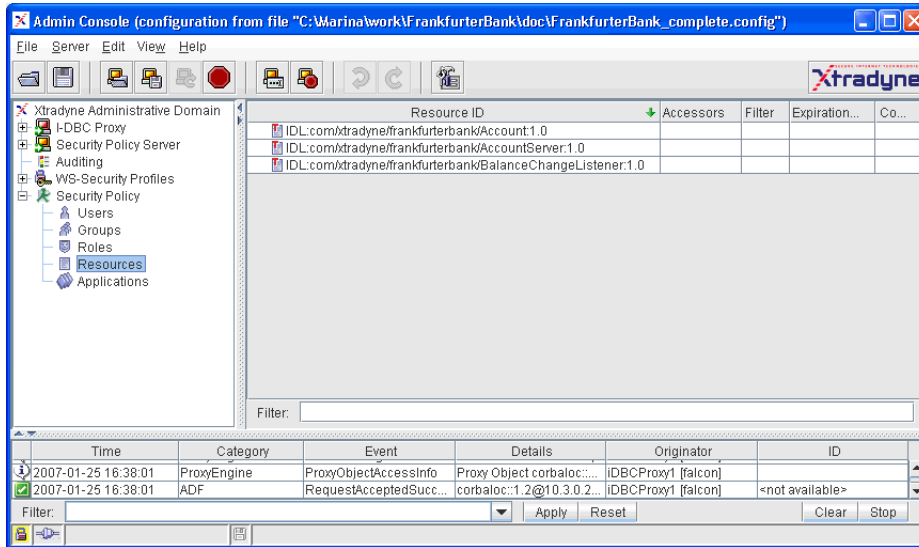


Fig. 18. Import the Frankfurter Bank IDL

3.5 Define Security Policies for the Protected Resource

The first step is to define a user in the policy representing the account manager and define how this user shall authenticate. Then give this user permission to access the Frankfurter Bank resource.

Create Users

Go to the “User” panel and choose **New User** from the context menu.

On the “General” tab enter the surname as the User ID (e.g., `meyer` for account manager Mrs. Meyer) and the activation and expiration dates as you like (e.g., an empty expiration date for an unlimited period).

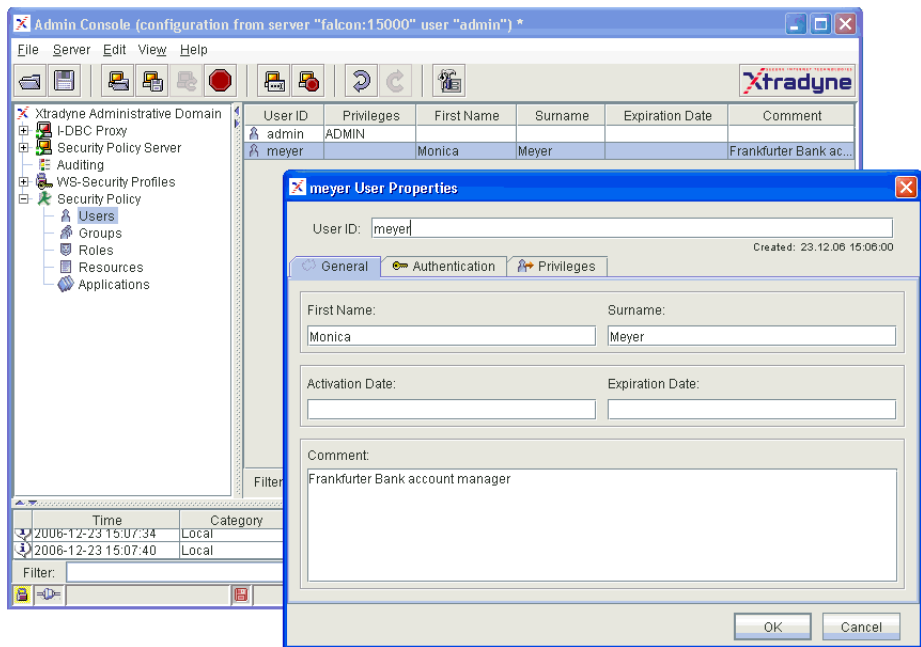


Fig. 19. User entry for account manager Mrs. Meyer

Authentication

Now go to the “Authentication” tab to define which authentication method user `meyer` will use.

The DBC offers several authentication mechanisms (listed from the strongest to the weakest):

- SSL authentication
- User ID/Password authentication
- Authentication by IP-Address
- (no authentication)

Let's define User ID/Password authentication for user `meyer`: Right-click into the “Applied mechanisms” region and choose “Add User ID/Password” from the context menu (as depicted in figure 20). Now enter a password and retype it.

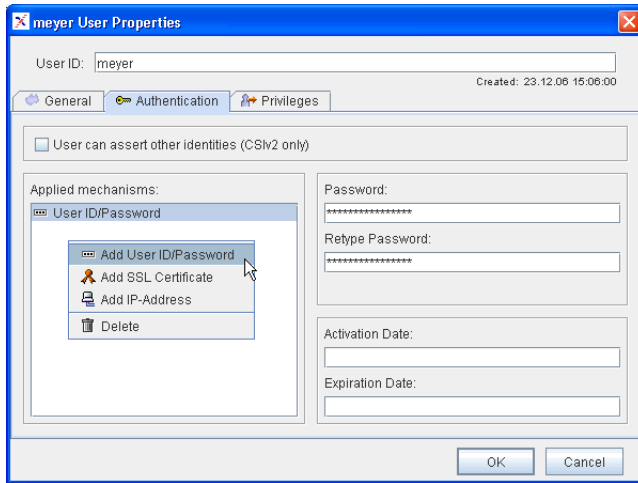


Fig. 20. Add authentication mechanisms

Required Authentication for the Protected Resource

The next step is to define a required authentication method for the resource, i.e., we want to make sure that only users that authenticate with User ID/Password authentication or a stronger authentication method (like SSL) may access the resource. To do so, double-click on each of the three resources in the resource table and select the “Incoming Pol-

icy” tab. Choose “User ID/Password” from the “Required Authentication” drop-down menu (as depicted in figure 21).

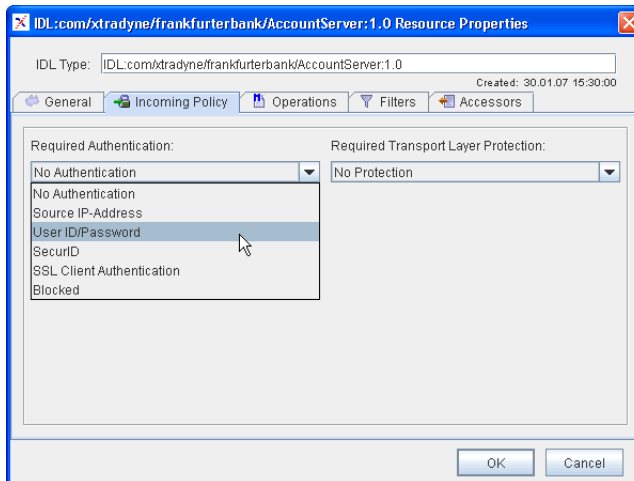


Fig. 21. Define User ID/Password Authentication as required authentication

Assign Permissions

As a last step we want to grant user meyer access to the resources. To do so, go to the “Users” table again and double-click on user meyer. Choose the “Privileges” tab, select

the Frankfurter Bank resources and then press the add button (see figure 22). The resources will appear on the left side of the table.

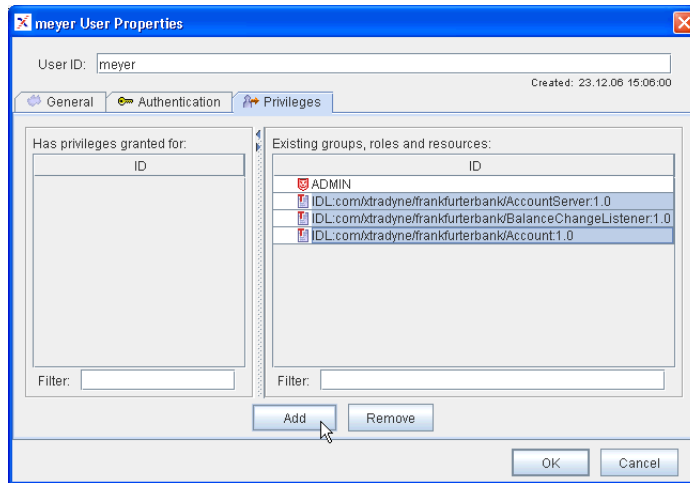


Fig. 22. Grant user meyer permission to access FB resources

Click the OK button and don't forget to write the configuration to the Security Policy Server! Let's try if our simple policy works: Restart the Frankfurter Bank Client and choose User ID/Password authentication. Enter the User ID and password of user meyer. View the accounts and deposit and withdraw money.

Try to login with a wrong password or another User ID, you should get the "No Permission" window again.

Also try the following: Define a user with IP-Address authentication and give him access to the resources. Try to login with this user and access the bank accounts. This should fail, as you defined that the minimal required authentication method for accessing the Frankfurter Bank resource is User ID/Password.

3.6 Define a more fine-grained policy

As a next step we want to do access control on operation level. To do so, we will import the application's IDL again - this time selecting all the operations of the three IDL types. After import the three resources appear in the "Resources" table.

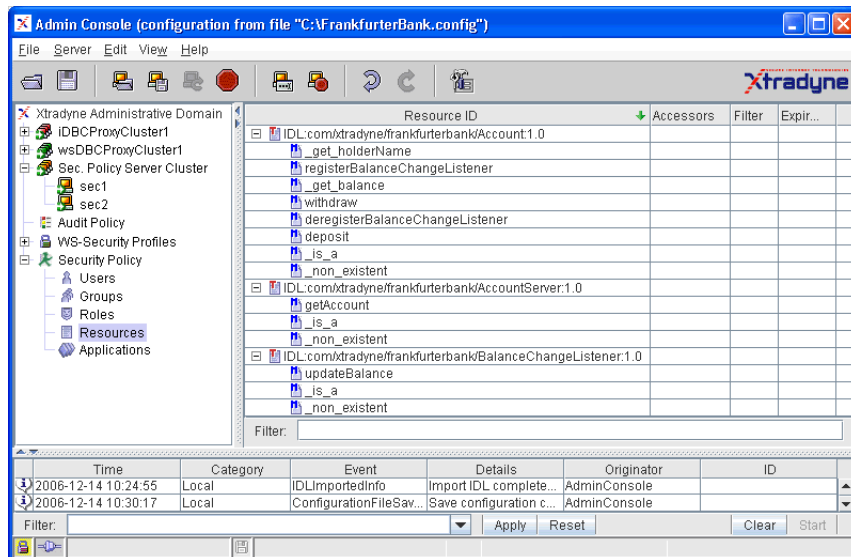


Fig. 23. Frankfurter Bank Example: Imported Resources with operations

Now define a new user entry for account manager Mr. Bauer (e.g., with ID `bauer`). Add User ID/Password authentication for this user and give Mr. Bauer all rights except

for the operations `deposit` and `withdraw`. (Hint: deselect the operations `withdraw` and `deposit` by pressing the **CTRL** key while clicking on the operation, cf. figure 24).

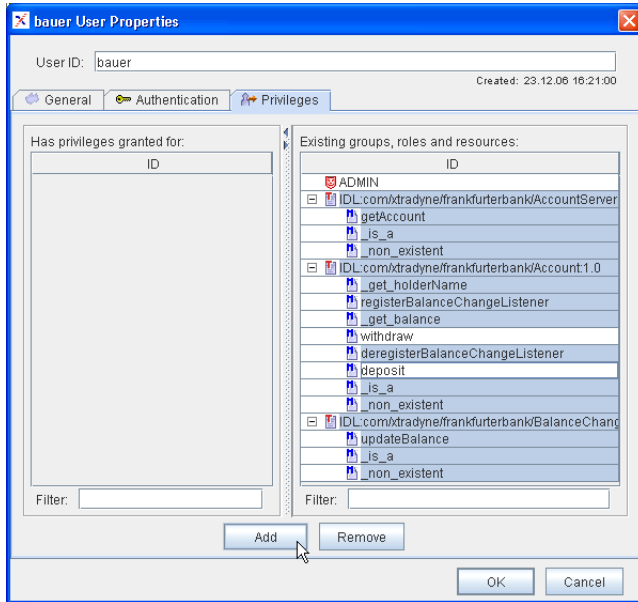


Fig. 24. Grant permissions for operations

Now login as user `bauer` (with User ID/Password authentication) and try to deposit and withdraw money. You should get the “No Permission” window.

3.7 Using SSL

Let’s run the application across the DBC using SSL. Note that giving a complete introduction on SSL is beyond the scope of this section. Therefore, when reading this section you should be familiar with SSL basics.

Frankfurter Bank Keys and Certificates

The Frankfurter Bank uses its own PKI infrastructure with its own CA certificate. For convenience, the FB application comes with three pre-defined keystores: two for each of the account managers (i.e., the clients) and one for the server. These keystores are located in the directory `keystores/` in the Frankfurter Bank installation. The password for the keystores is “changeit”.

To list the contents of the keystores you can use the Java `keytool`:

```
keytool -list -keystore Meyer.jks
```

Each keystore contains a key for the respective user and the CA certificate that signed the key.

Establish Mutual Trust between DBC and FB Client

Up to now the DBC doesn't know anything about the Frankfurter Bank's CA certificate. So when a Frankfurter Bank client connecting to the DBC with SSL presents its key, the DBC won't trust this client as the CA certificate that issued the key is unknown to the DBC. The same applies to the other direction: the Frankfurter Bank application doesn't know anything about the DBC CA certificate, therefore it won't accept the DBC as communication partner.

To establish mutual trust between the two communication partners the Frankfurter Bank CA certificate has to be added to the list of trusted CA certificates in the DBC. And the DBC's CA certificate has to be added to the Frankfurter Bank Client's keystore.

As a first step we have to add the Frankfurter Bank CA certificate (located in `key-stores/FBCA.pem`) to the DBC's list of trusted CA certificates. To do so, bring up the AdminConsole and go to the **DBC Proxy Cluster → SSLProfiles → SSLServer** Panel and select the "CA" tab. In the "Certificate" section, select the "From Config" check box. Then right-click into the table and choose **Add...** from the context menu. Select Frank-

furter Bank’s CA certificate (keystores/FBCA.pem) in the file chooser. The CA certificate will appear in the table (cf. screenshot in figure 18).

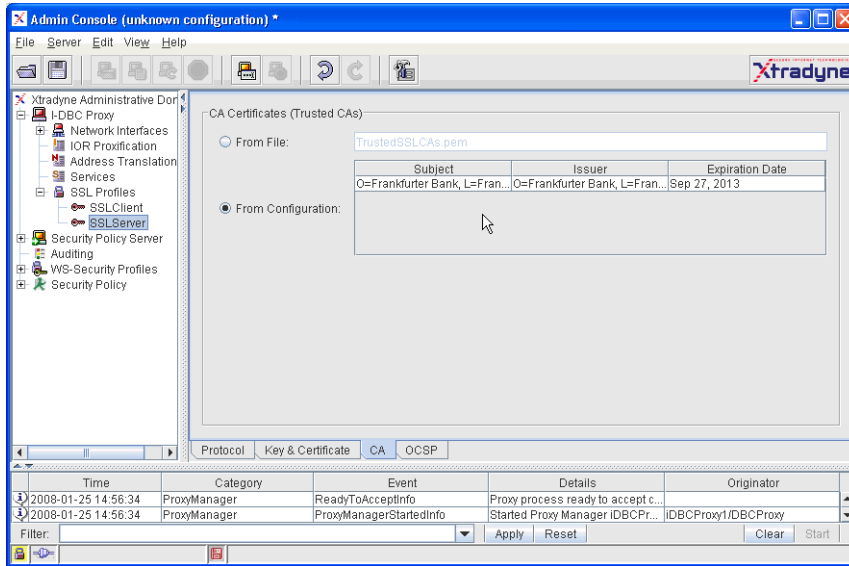


Fig. 25. Import the Frankfurter Bank CA Certificate

Save the new configuration to the SPS.

As the next step add the ProxyCACert.pem (located in <INSTALLDIR>/idbc/adm/) to Meyer’s and Bauer’s keystore. You may use the script replaceDBCCert located in the Frankfurter Bank’s bin directory:

On Linux/Solaris:

```
replaceDBCCert.bin ProxyCACert.pem
```

On Windows

```
replaceDBCCert.bat ProxyCACert.pem
```

Adapt the Access Control Policy

Now both communication partners trust one another. The next step is to adapt the access control policy, i.e., to add SSL as authentication mechanism for user meyer. To do this go to the user list and double-click on the user meyer. Then select the “Authentication”

tab and right-click into the “Applied mechanisms” area. Select “SSL Certificate” and then configure the Distinguished Name (as depicted in figure figure 26).

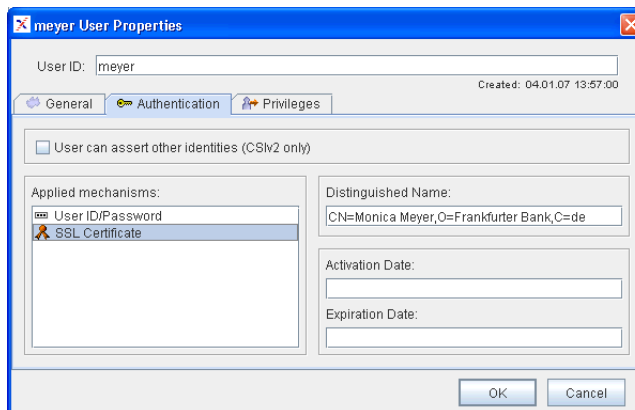


Fig. 26. Add SSL as authentication mechanism for user meyer

The Distinguished Name (DN) has to be the same as the one contained in Mrs. Meyer’s key (i.e., “CN=Monica Meyer,O=Frankfurter Bank,C=de”).

You can view the DN by running the script `printcert.sh` on Linux/Solaris or `printcert.wsf` on Windows. The script is located in the `bin` directory. On Windows, type for example:

```
printcert.wsf ..\keystores\Meyer.jks
```

Alternatively, you may use the Java `keytool`. First export Mrs. Meyer’s key from the keystore and then print it:

```
keytool -export -alias monicameyer -keystore Meyer.jks  
-storepass changeit -file MeyerCert.pem
```

To print out the key:

```
keytool -printcert -file MeyerCert.pem
```

After entering the DN in the AdminConsole’s User Properties panel, press the OK button and save the configuration to the Security Policy Server.

Start the Client with SSL

Start the Frankfurter Bank Client and choose “SSL (keystore)” as authentication method. Then select a keystore (e.g. keystores/Meyer.jks) with the file selector and enter the keystore password (changeit).

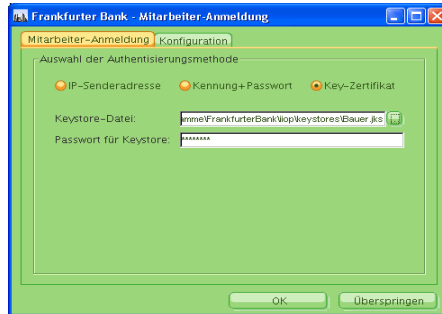


Fig. 27. Frankfurter Bank Client: SSL Authentication

In the Admin Console’s event browser you will find the `ADFRequestAcceptedSuccess` event which indicates that the DBC’s Access Decision Function (ADF) granted access. Double-clicking on the event will bring up the event details panel depicted in figure 28.

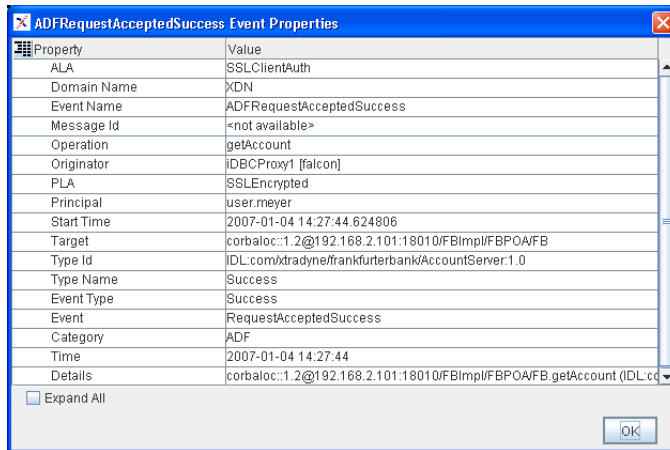


Fig. 28. Event Properties: ADFRequestAcceptedSuccess

Among other information, the event details show that the requested operation is `getAccount` and that the principal was recognized as `user.meyer`.

We suggest that you play around a bit with the example. For a more detailed example on how to define access control policies, please refer to (chapter “Protecting CORBA Applications – Example” on page 305 of the Admin Guide).

3.8 Summary

We have seen how to define a very simple security policy. The DBC offers to define far more complex security policies. For example, the I-DBC can perform content inspection by validating the parameters of incoming messages. Flexible filter rules for operation parameters can be defined with the Admin Console. Messages carrying arguments that do not conform to the filter rules will be rejected. For more details, please refer to the Administrator’s Guide.