

Creating your keystorefile for SSL authentication

You can connect to a running server through a SSL tunnel by specifying the location of the trusted keystore file to `org.apache.geronimo.keyStoreTrustStorePasswordFile`, especially when you [connect to a Geronimo server with JCsonle](#). The default SSL keystore of the Geronimo server is `geronimo-default`, which locates at `/var/security/kestores/` directory.

Follow the instructions below to complete a SSL connection to the Geronimo server.

1. Enable a system plug-in named `org.apache.geronimo.framework/jmx-security//car` using [start](#) sub-command or via the administrative console on the server.
2. Create a key file containing the password pairs used to connect to the server, which will be like:

keystorePasswordfile.key

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keyStorePassword=secret
trustStorePassword=secret
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Where *secret* is the default password of keystore `geronimo-default` in the server. For better security, use [encrypt](#) sub-command to encrypt the plain text password in the file. By default, the content of `keystorePasswordfile.key` file is from `/var/config/config-substitutions.properties` file.

3. Save the file to your preferred location such as *myDir* and then export the location of `keystorePasswordfile.key` file to `org.apache.geronimo.keyStoreTrustStorePasswordFile`.
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4. Initiate a connecting request to the server via SSL, then you will see the connection is successfully acquired. For example, using available commands on the server that support `--secure` option.