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What Conduit help covers

Conduit is a social blogging site for publishing and discussing articles. Authentication is the sign-in or account-creation part of the application. Use this page when you need project documentation, the live demo, or help with authentication and connection messages.

If you need to...	Go to
Understand what Conduit is	What is Conduit
Find project documentation or the live demo	Find project and demo help
Prepare the project before starting it	System requirements
Sign in or create an account	Recognize the authentication screen
Understand loading or unavailable states	Authentication and loading messages
Resolve a general error	General error messages
Work through a broader setup or route problem	Common issues and solutions

The project documentation explains how the application works. The live demo is the place to use the application itself. If you need setup, continue with the checklist below.

Before you look for help

Before starting the project, have the required setup and the route that matches your task in front of you.

Before you start	Have ready
Install the project prerequisite	<code>Bun</code>

Before you start	Have ready
Get the project	<code>git clone https://github.com/realworld-apps/angular-realworld-example-app.git</code>
Install dependencies and initialise the project	<code>bun run setup</code>
Start the project	<code>bun run start</code>
Reinitialise after a submodule update	Run <code>bun run setup</code> again after a <code>git pull</code> that updates the <code>realworld</code> submodule
Choose the authentication task	<code>/login</code> for sign-in or <code>/register</code> for account creation

The application uses the `/login` and `/register` routes for these two tasks. For setup questions, continue with the project and demo resources below.

Find project and demo help

Project documentation is the reference for how the project works; the live demo is the place to use Conduit. Use the links below according to the question you need to answer.

If you need to...	Open
Read the project documentation	Project documentation
Use the application	Live demo
Get the project source	Angular Example App
Read the broader Angular guidance	RealWorld Angular
Read the Angular frontend or Realworld references shown on Home	Angular frontend or Realworld

1. Choose the row that matches your question and open the linked resource.

Result: You are at the project, demo, or guidance resource that matches your question.

If you are using the application, continue with the authentication-screen guidance.

Recognize the authentication screen

The authentication screen lets you enter the application as a user or create an account. The same screen serves both tasks, and its title and fields change with the route.

Prerequisites

- You know whether you are signing in at `/login` or creating an account at `/register`.
- You have the email address and password for sign-in, or the username, email address, and password for account creation.

Steps

1. In the unauthenticated header, select the link for your task.

Task	Select
Sign in to an existing account	Sign in
Create an account	Sign up

2. Complete the fields for your task.

Task	Fields to complete
Sign in to an existing account	Email and Password
Create an account	Username , Email , and Password

3. Select **Sign in** for an existing account or **Sign up** for a new account.

The sign-in form provides **Need an account?** to reach registration. The registration form provides **Have an account?** to return to sign-in.

Result: The selected authentication form is complete and its submit control matches the route: **Sign in** on `/login` or **Sign up** on `/register`.

Handle authentication and connection problems

An authentication state tells you whether the application is loading, authenticated, unauthenticated, or temporarily unavailable. The header communicates this state while the application checks the session or waits for the server. Error messages appear in a list above the authentication form when a request returns errors.

Each server error is rendered as `<key> <message>`.

What you see	What it means	What to do
Loading...	The application is checking the current session.	Wait for the authentication state to finish loading.

What you see	What it means	What to do
Connecting...	Authentication is temporarily unavailable and the application is retrying.	Leave the page open while the application performs its automatic retry.
Unable to connect. Please check your internet connection.	A request did not provide a usable error body or the network could not connect.	Check the connection and retry the task.
A list item in the form of <key> <message>	The server returned a named error and its message.	Read the message next to its key and correct the indicated input.

1. Find the visible message in the table and follow its corresponding action.

Result: The authentication state is loading, authenticated, or temporarily unavailable, and any visible error message identifies the response that needs attention.

The header shows different links for each state:

Authentication state	Header content
Unauthenticated	Home , Sign in , and Sign up
Authenticated	Home , New Article , Settings , and the current user's name
Temporarily unavailable	Home , New Article , Settings , and Connecting...
Loading	Home and Loading...

When authentication is temporarily unavailable, the application retries after 2, 4, and 8 seconds, then every 16 seconds. A non- /user request that returns 401 purges the authentication state.

For the complete shared message reference, open [General error messages](#).

Choose the next help path

After you identify the task or message, choose the matching help topic below.

Your next question	Continue with
How do I sign in?	Sign in
How do I create an account?	Create an account

Your next question	Continue with
What do the authentication states mean?	Authentication and loading messages
What happens while the application is loading or unavailable?	Loading and unavailable states
What does a general error message mean?	General error messages
What should I try for a wider setup or route problem?	Common issues and solutions