

**NAME**

**pam\_sm\_authenticate** - service module implementation for pam\_authenticate

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <security/pam_appl.h>
#include <security/pam_modules.h>
```

*int*

```
pam_sm_authenticate(pam_handle_t *pamh, int flags, int argc, const char **argv);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

The **pam\_sm\_authenticate()** function is the service module's implementation of the **pam\_authenticate(3)** API function.

**RETURN VALUES**

The **pam\_sm\_authenticate()** function returns one of the following values:

[PAM\_SUCCESS] Success.

[PAM\_ABORT] General failure.

[PAM\_AUTHINFO\_UNAVAIL]  
Authentication information is unavailable.

[PAM\_AUTH\_ERR] Authentication error.

[PAM\_BUF\_ERR] Memory buffer error.

[PAM\_CONV\_ERR] Conversation failure.

[PAM\_CRED\_INSUFFICIENT]  
Insufficient credentials.

[PAM\_IGNORE] Ignore this module.

[PAM\_MAXTRIES] Maximum number of tries exceeded.

[PAM\_PERM\_DENIED]  
Permission denied.

**[PAM\_SERVICE\_ERR]**

Error in service module.

**[PAM\_SYSTEM\_ERR]**

System error.

**[PAM\_USER\_UNKNOWN]**

Unknown user.

**SEE ALSO**

pam(3), pam\_authenticate(3), pam\_strerror(3)

**STANDARDS**

*X/Open Single Sign-On Service (XSSO) - Pluggable Authentication Modules*, June 1997.

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