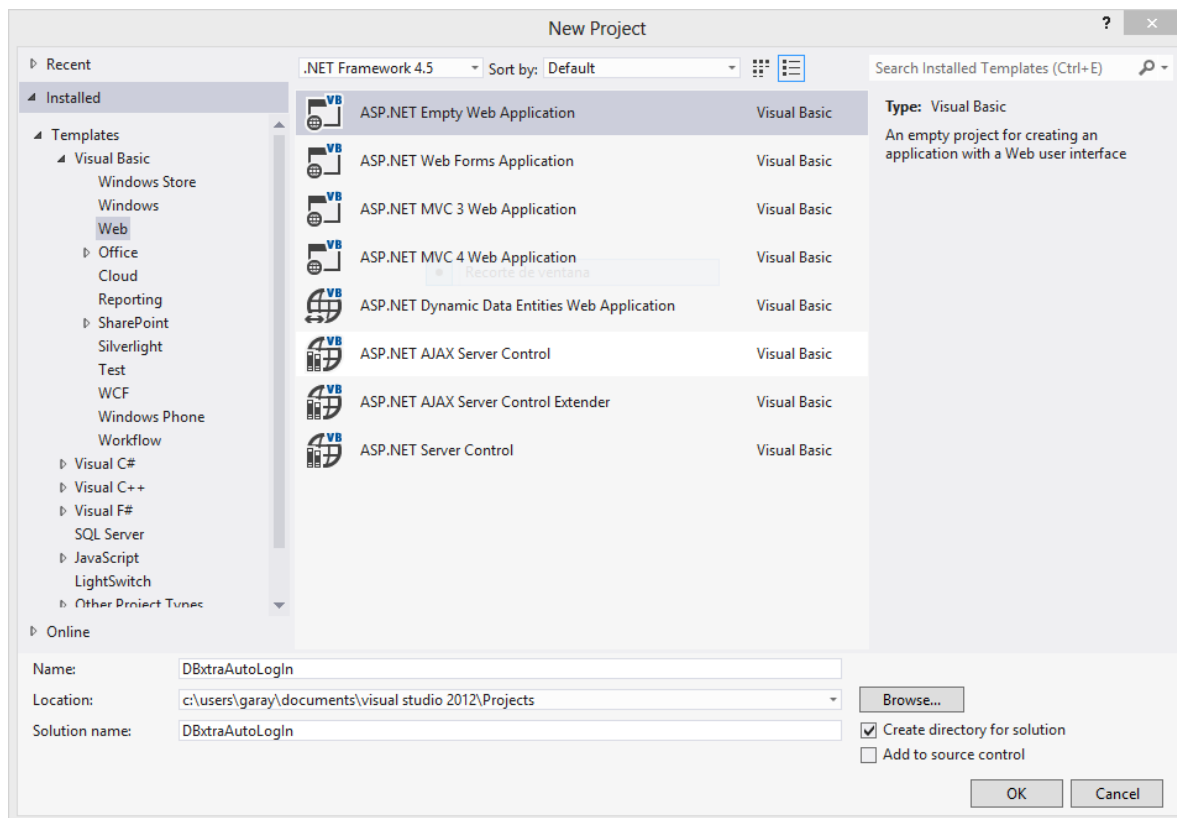




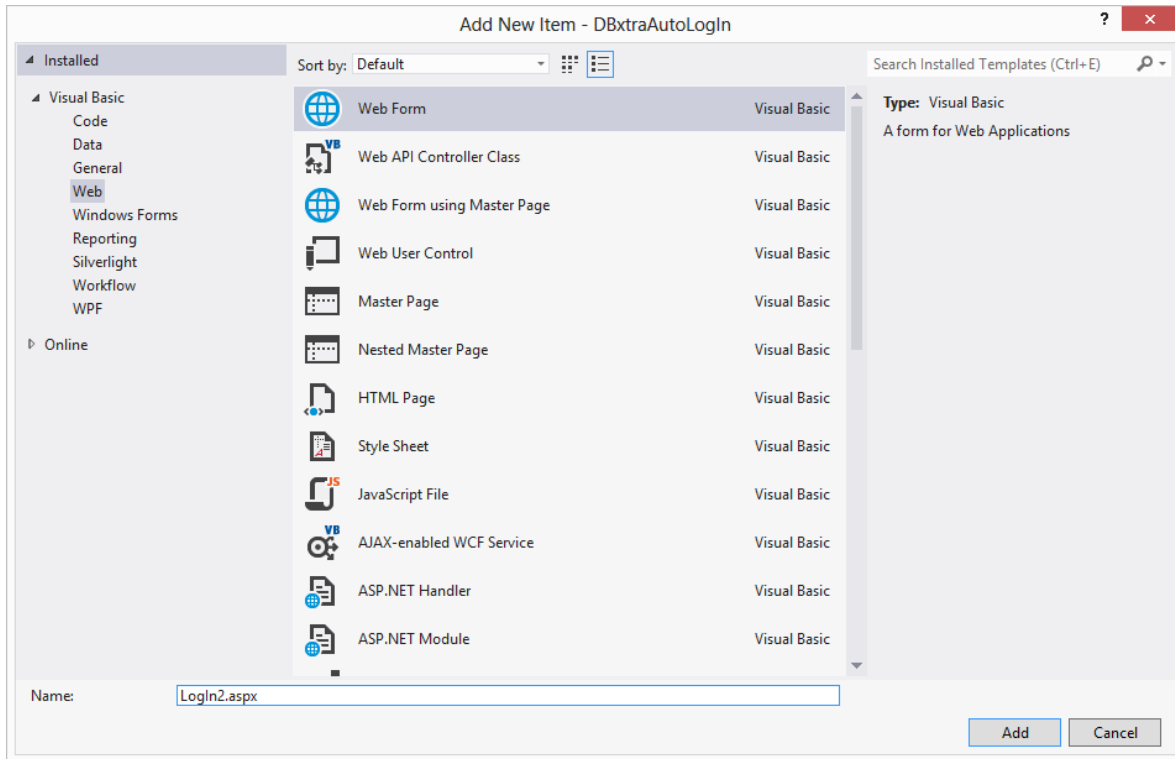
## Pass login information from an external application to the DBxtra Report Web Service

When you integrate DBxtra Web Service into another Web Application you may want to avoid a double login if your own Application has a login mechanism, this is a basic example of how you can do it, which means that you can extend it further to include other things you may need.

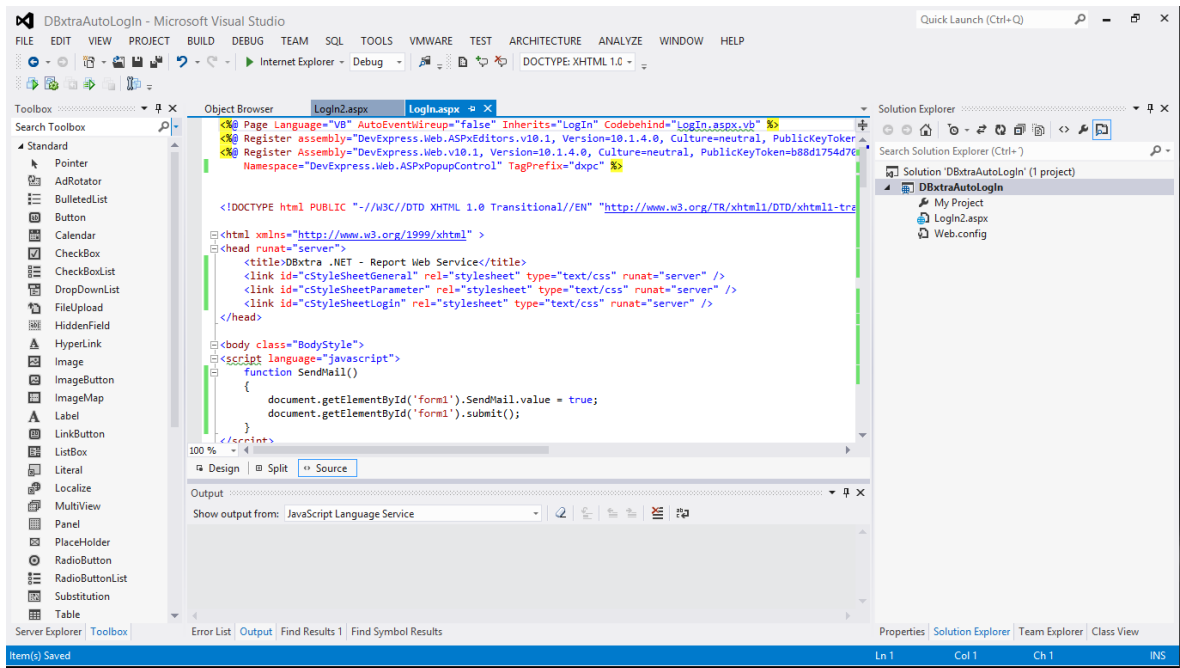
1.- Create a new ASP.NET Empty Web Application in Visual Studio, let's name it DBxtraAutoLogIn.



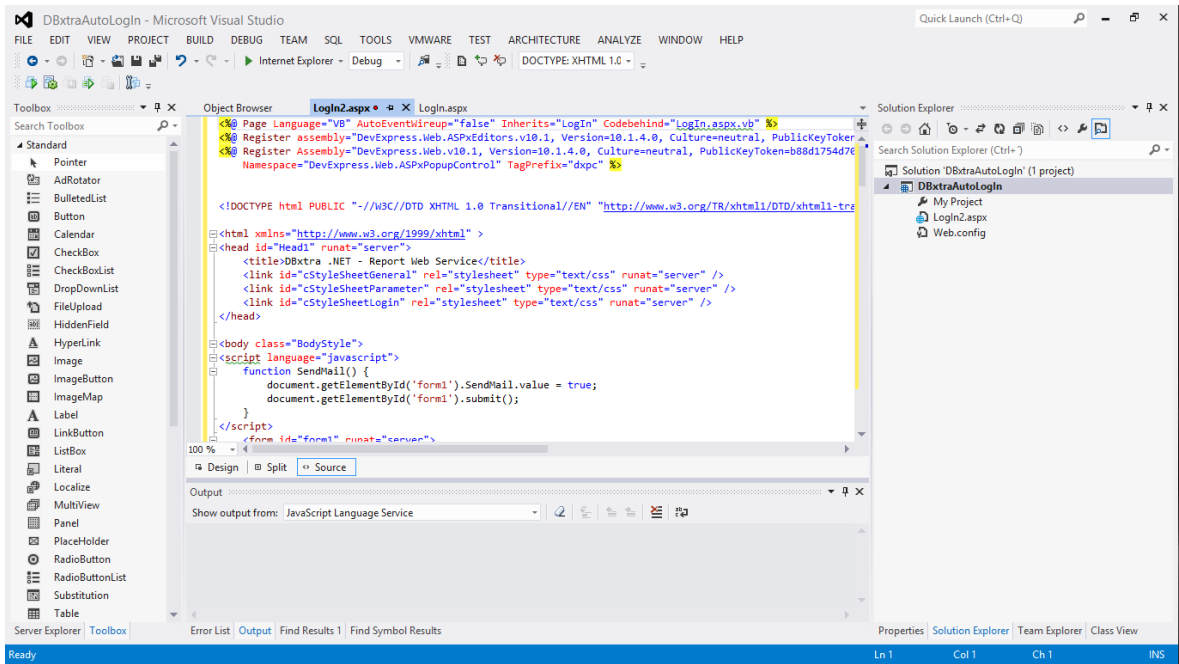
2.- On this project add a new Web Form, let's name it LogIn2.aspx



3.- Go to the Report Web Service physical folder (Utilities->DBxtra Repository->DBxtra Repository Path) and open the Login.aspx file



#### 4.- Copy all the contents of this file into the LogIn2.aspx file

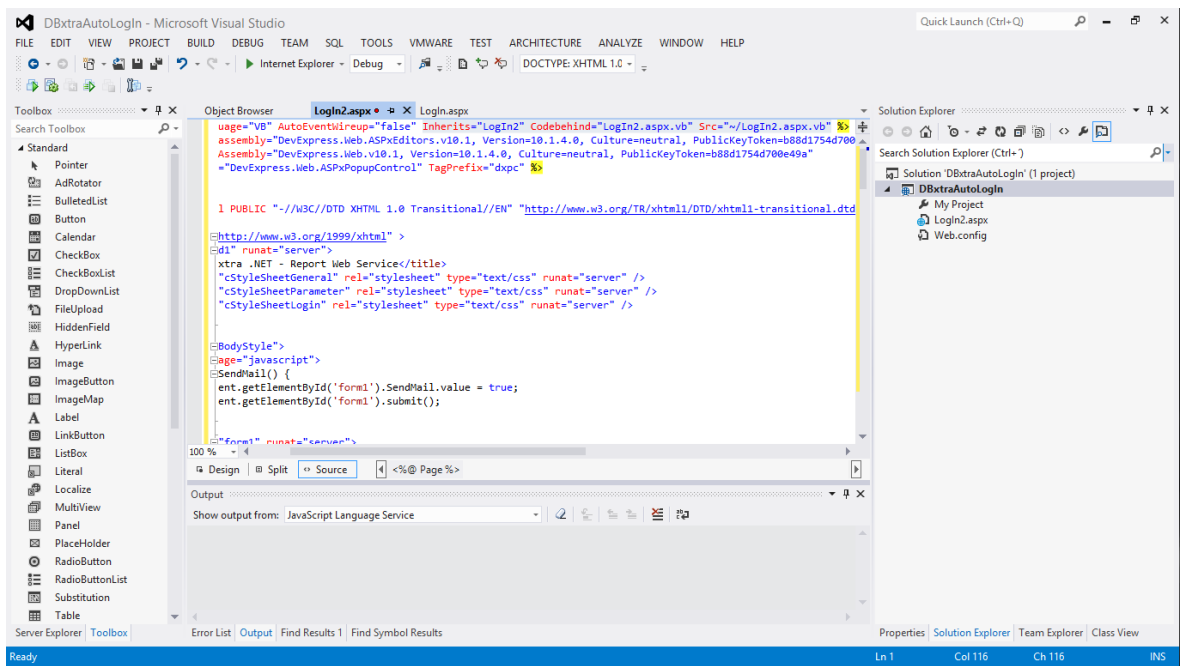


5.- Change the first line of the LogIn2.aspx file from this:

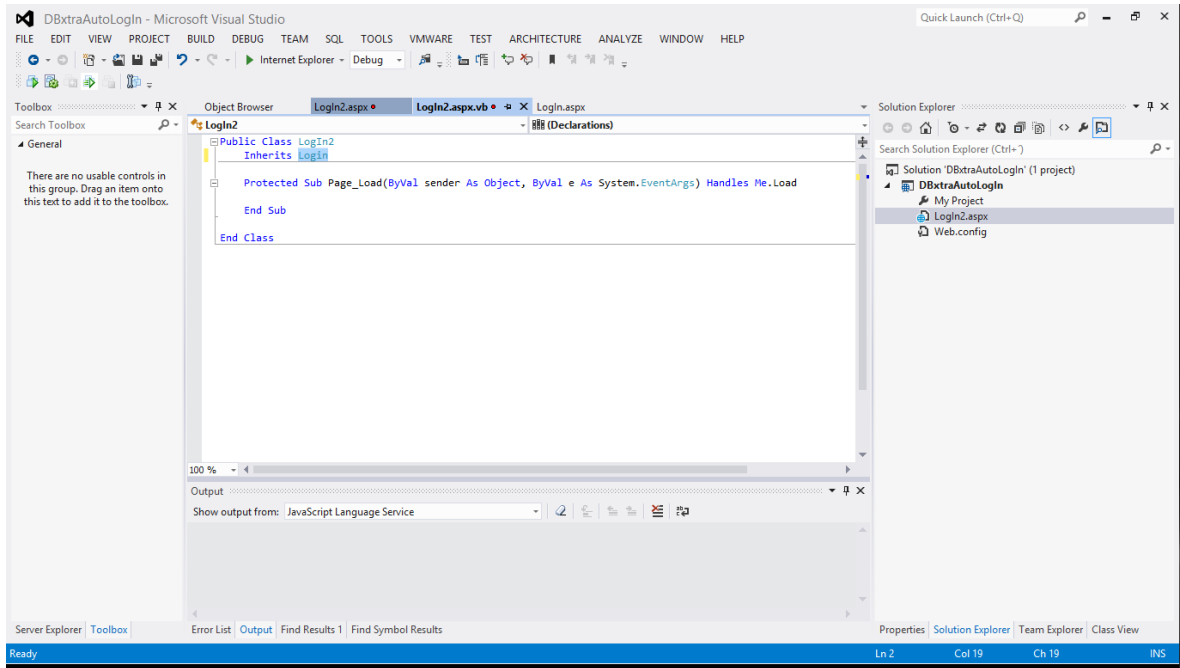
```
<%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false" Inherits="LogIn"  
Codebehind="LogIn.aspx.vb" %>
```

Into this:

```
<%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false" Inherits="LogIn2"  
Codebehind="LogIn2.aspx.vb" Src="~/LogIn2.aspx.vb" %>
```



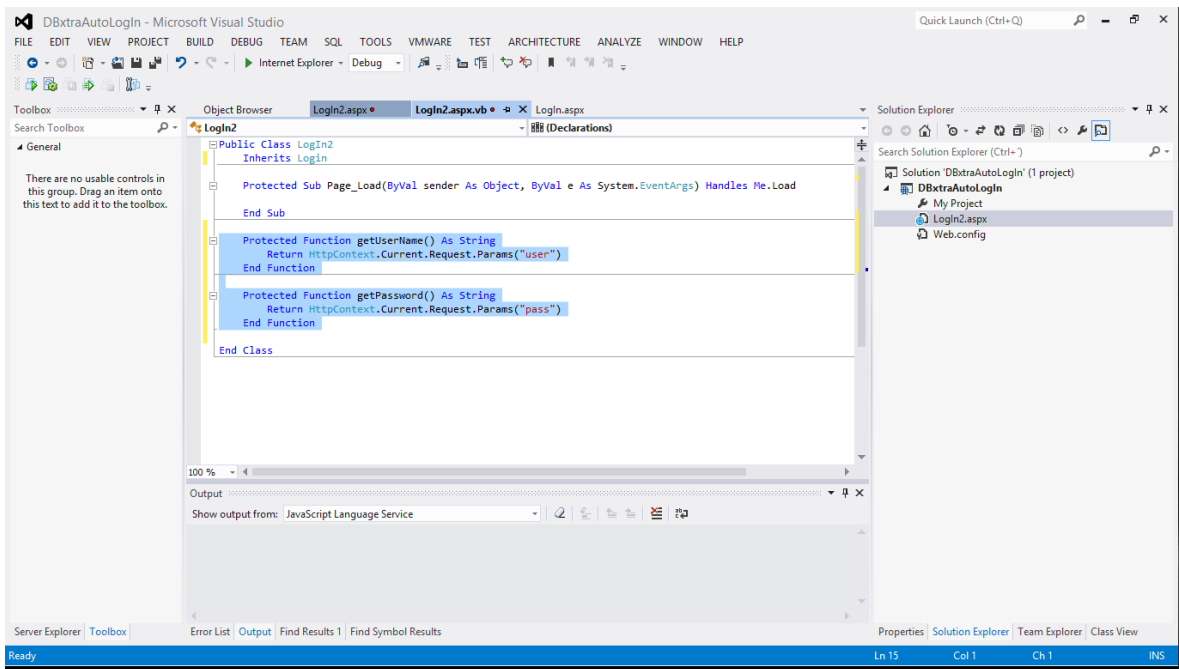
6.- Make the LogIn2 class in the LogIn2.aspx.vb file inherits from LogIn instead of System.Web.UI.Page



7.- Create some functions in the LogIn2.aspx.vb file to get both the user name and the password from the URL:

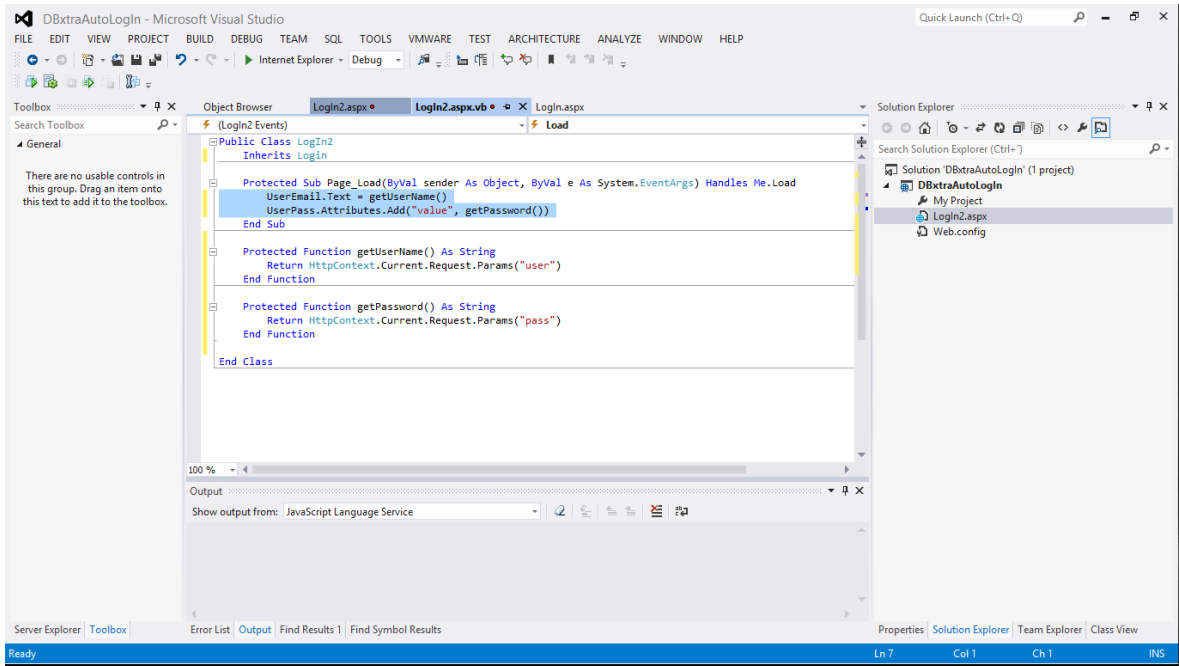
```
Protected Function getUsername() As String  
    Return HttpContext.Current.Request.Params("user")  
End Function
```

```
Protected Function getPassword() As String  
    Return HttpContext.Current.Request.Params("pass")  
End Function
```



8.- In the Page\_Load method add the following to print the user name and password into the page:

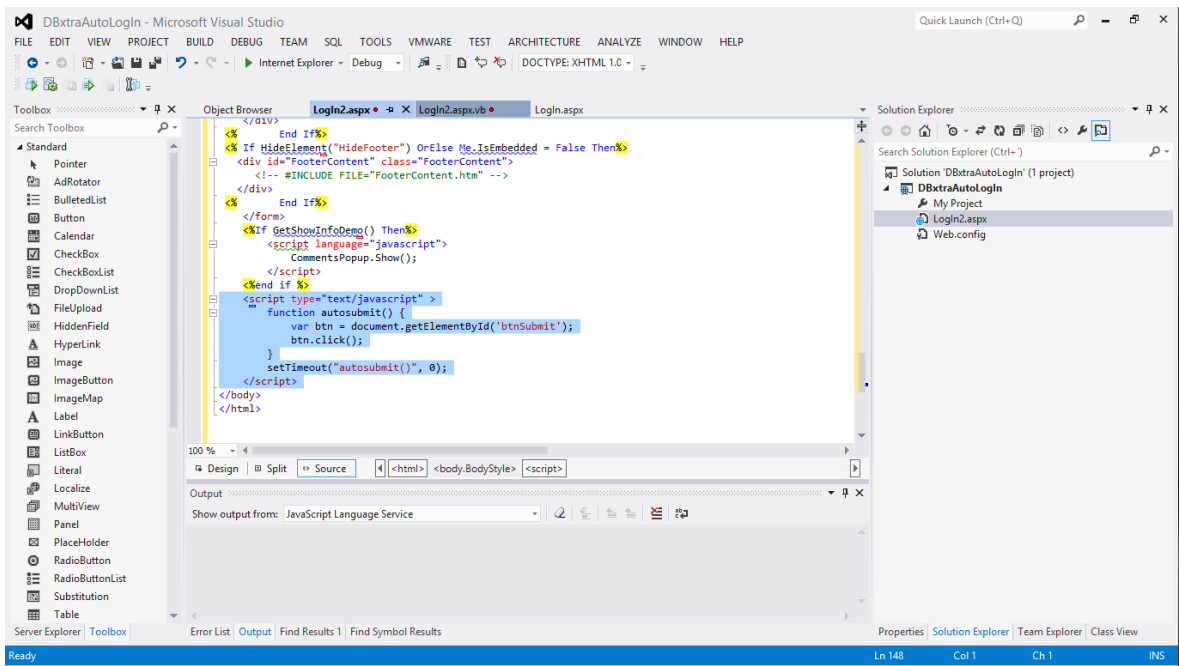
```
UserEmail.Text = getUsername()  
UserPass.Attributes.Add("value", getPassword())
```





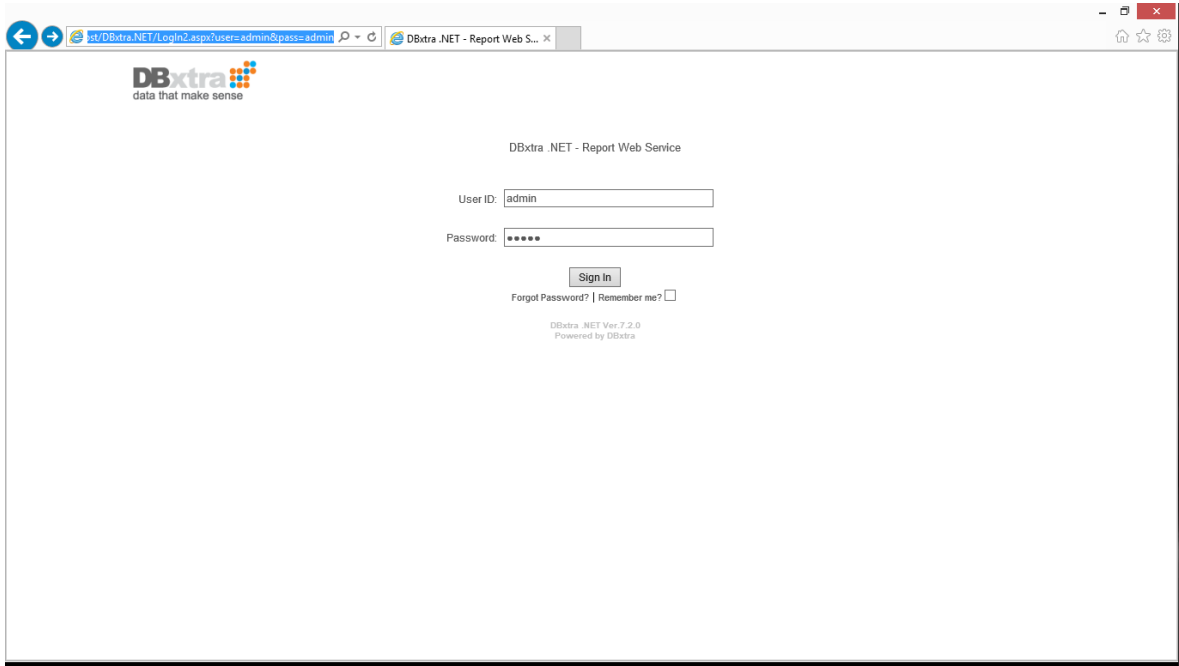
9.- Anywhere before the closing body tag of the Login2.aspx file add the following auto submit javascript code:

```
<script type="text/javascript" >  
    function autosubmit()  
    {  
        var btn = document.getElementById('btnSubmit');  
        btn.click();  
    }  
    setTimeout("autosubmit()", 0);  
</script>
```



10.- Test the new auto log in page, copy the LogIn2.aspx and LogIn2.aspx.vb files into the Report Web Service folder, open your browser and type an address like this:

<http://localhost/DBxtra.NET/LogIn2.aspx?user=admin&pass=admin>



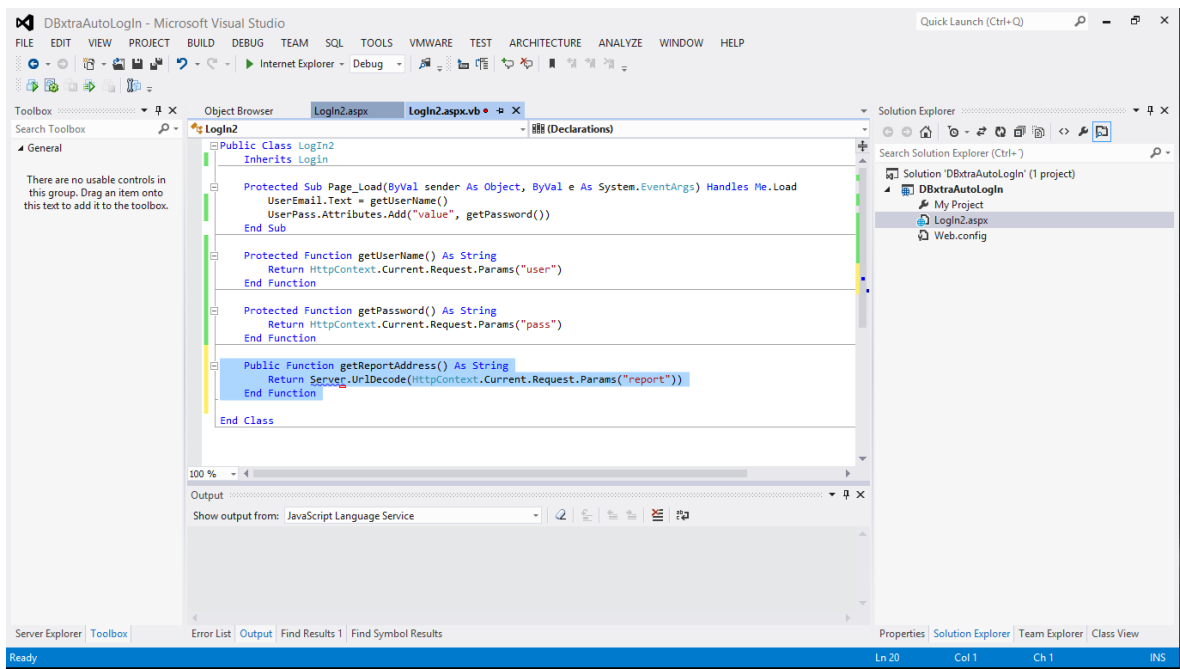
You should be sent to the Home page of the Report Web Service logged in as the Admin user.

## Adding Redirection

If you want to be redirected to some specific report after logging in, you can do as follows:

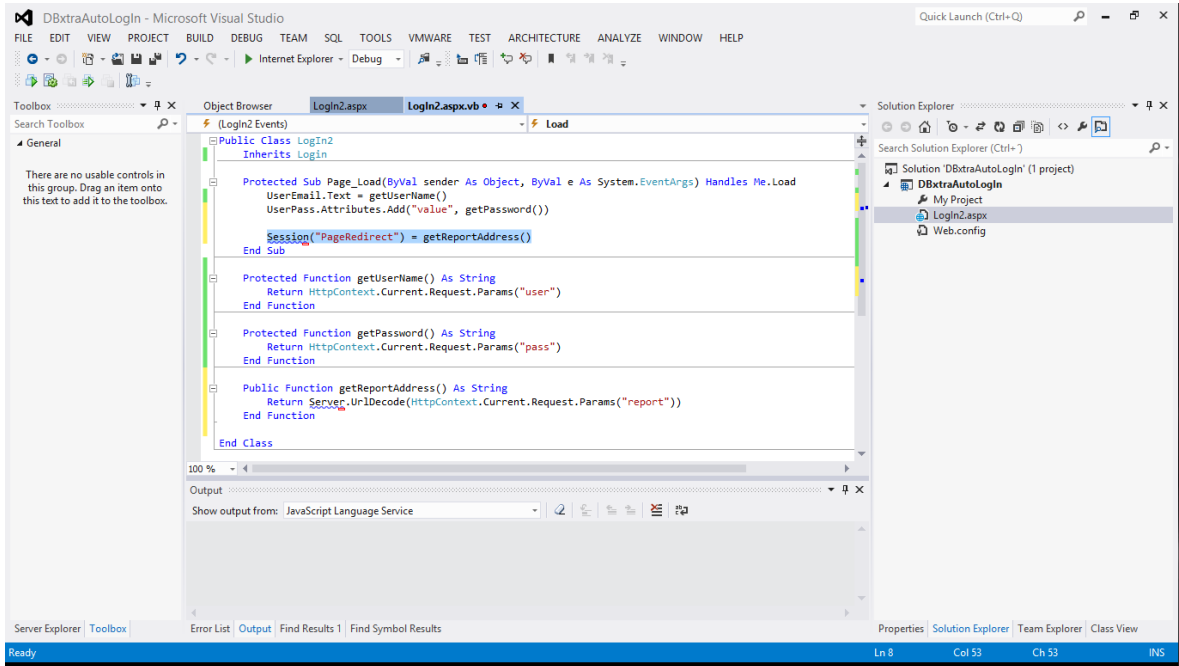
1.- Create a function in the LogIn2.aspx.vb file to get the redirection address from the URL:

```
Public Function getReportAddress() As String
    Return Server.UrlDecode(HttpContext.Current.Request.Params("report"))
End Function
```



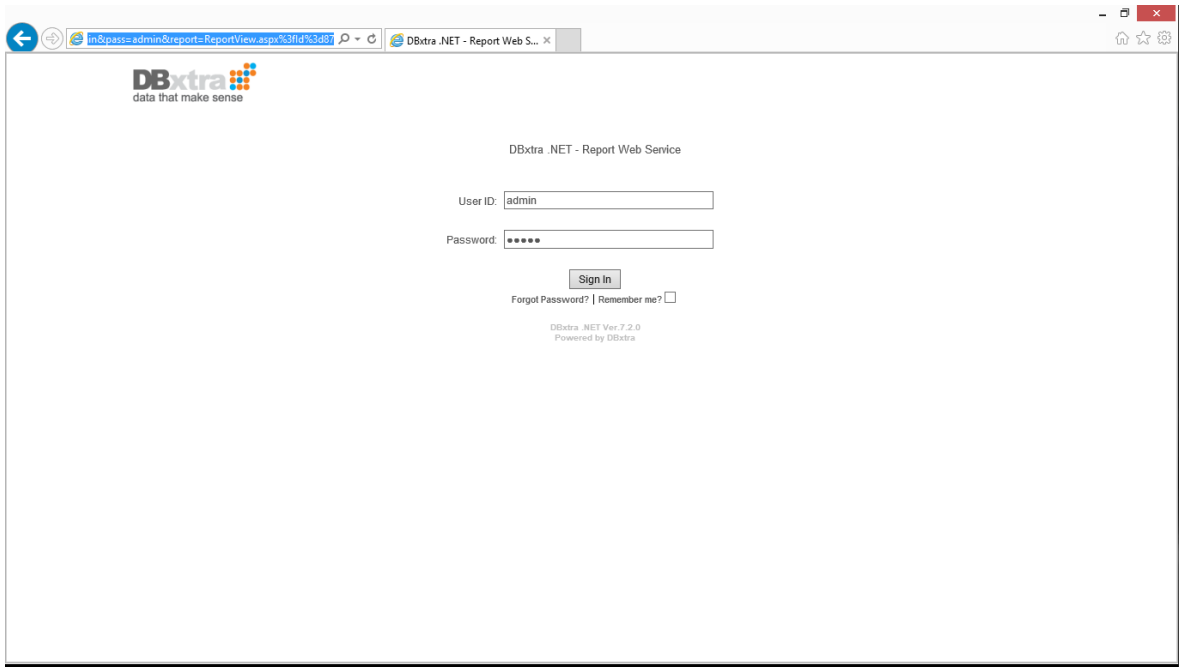
2.- In the Page\_Load method add the following to store the redirection address:

```
Session("PageRedirect") = getReportAddress()
```



3.- Test your changes using an address like this, the example brings the Customer Address Book example of the DBxtra Sample project:

`http://localhost/DBxtra.NET/Login2.aspx?user=admin&pass=admin&report=ReportView.aspx%3fd%3d87`



4.- Modify your system so it passes the report address encoded for the url, this is important so the address can be parsed correctly, to do this, you can use the `Server.UrlEncode` function of the .NET Framework like this:

```
Server.UrlEncode("ReportView.aspx?Id=87")
```

Which will give you:

```
ReportView.aspx%3fd%3d87
```

## Adding Encryption

If for some reason you don't want the password plain visible to the end users, you can add encryption as follows:

1.- Create two functions in the LogIn2.aspx.vb file to encrypt and decrypt the password from the URL:

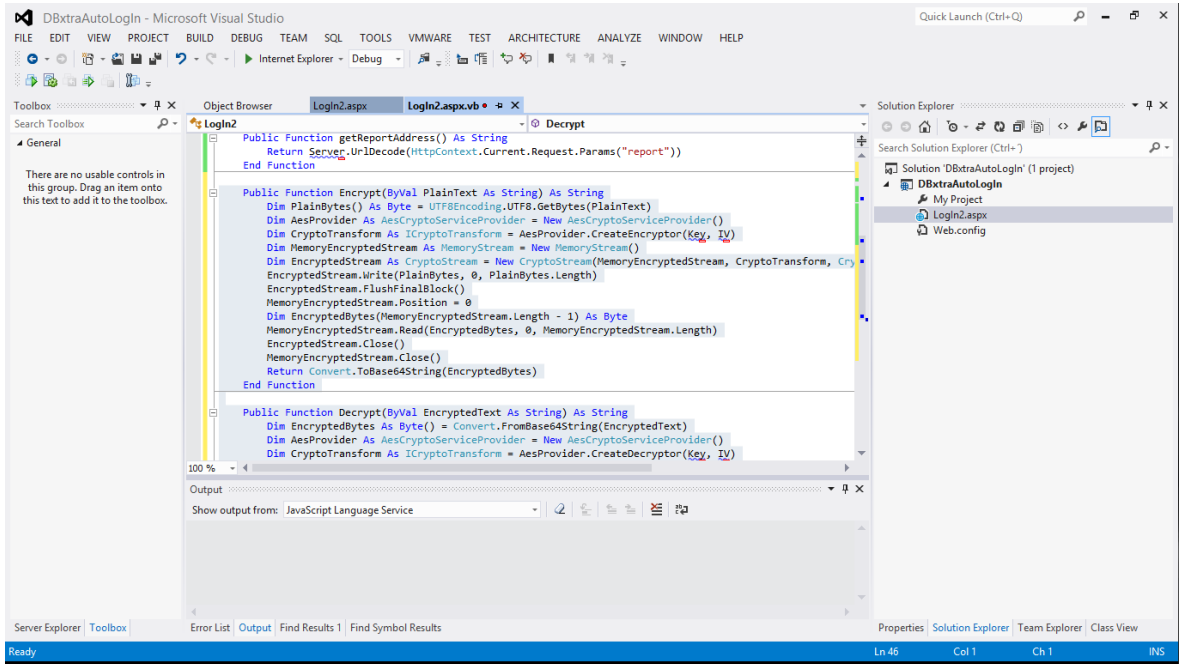
```
Public Function Encrypt(ByVal PlainText As String) As String
    Dim PlainBytes() As Byte = UTF8Encoding.UTF8.GetBytes(PlainText)
    Dim AesProvider As AesCryptoServiceProvider = New
        AesCryptoServiceProvider()
    Dim CryptoTransform As ICryptoTransform =
        AesProvider.CreateEncryptor(Key, IV)
    Dim MemoryEncryptedStream As MemoryStream = New MemoryStream()
    Dim EncryptedStream As CryptoStream = New
        CryptoStream(MemoryEncryptedStream, CryptoTransform,
            CryptoStreamMode.Write)
    EncryptedStream.Write(PlainBytes, 0, PlainBytes.Length)
    EncryptedStream.FlushFinalBlock()
    MemoryEncryptedStream.Position = 0
    Dim EncryptedBytes(MemoryEncryptedStream.Length - 1) As Byte
    MemoryEncryptedStream.Read(EncryptedBytes, 0,
        MemoryEncryptedStream.Length)
    EncryptedStream.Close()
    MemoryEncryptedStream.Close()
    Return Convert.ToBase64String(EncryptedBytes)
End Function
```

```
Public Function Decrypt(ByVal EncryptedText As String) As String
    Dim EncryptedBytes As Byte() =
        Convert.FromBase64String(EncryptedText )
    Dim AesProvider As AesCryptoServiceProvider = New
        AesCryptoServiceProvider()
    Dim CryptoTransform As ICryptoTransform =
        AesProvider.CreateDecryptor(Key, IV)
    Dim MemoryDecryptedStream As MemoryStream = New MemoryStream()
    Dim DecryptedStream As CryptoStream = New
        CryptoStream(MemoryDecryptedStream, CryptoTransform,
            CryptoStreamMode.Write)
    DecryptedStream.Write(EncryptedBytes, 0, EncryptedBytes.Length)
    DecryptedStream.FlushFinalBlock()
    MemoryDecryptedStream.Position = 0
    Dim PlainBytes(MemoryDecryptedStream.Length - 1) As Byte
    MemoryDecryptedStream.Read(PlainBytes, 0,
```

```

MemoryDecryptedStream.Length)
DecryptedStream.Close()
MemoryDecryptedStream.Close()
Return UTF8Encoding.UTF8.GetString(PlainBytes)
End Function

```

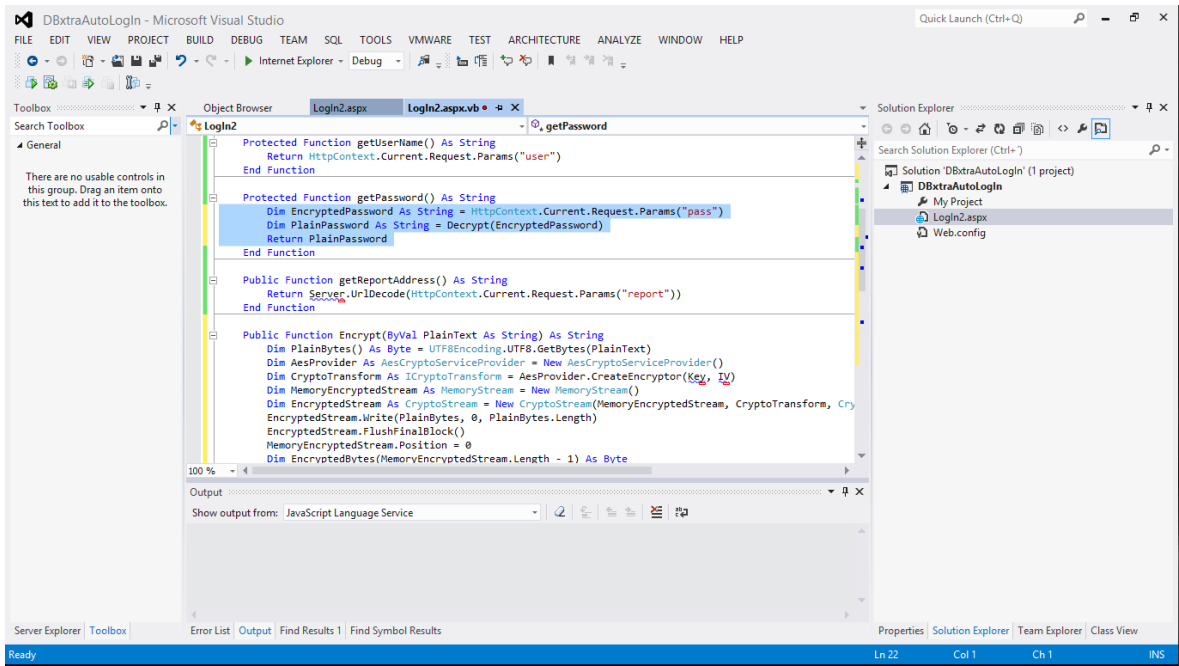


2.- Modify the getPassword method to decrypt the password:

```

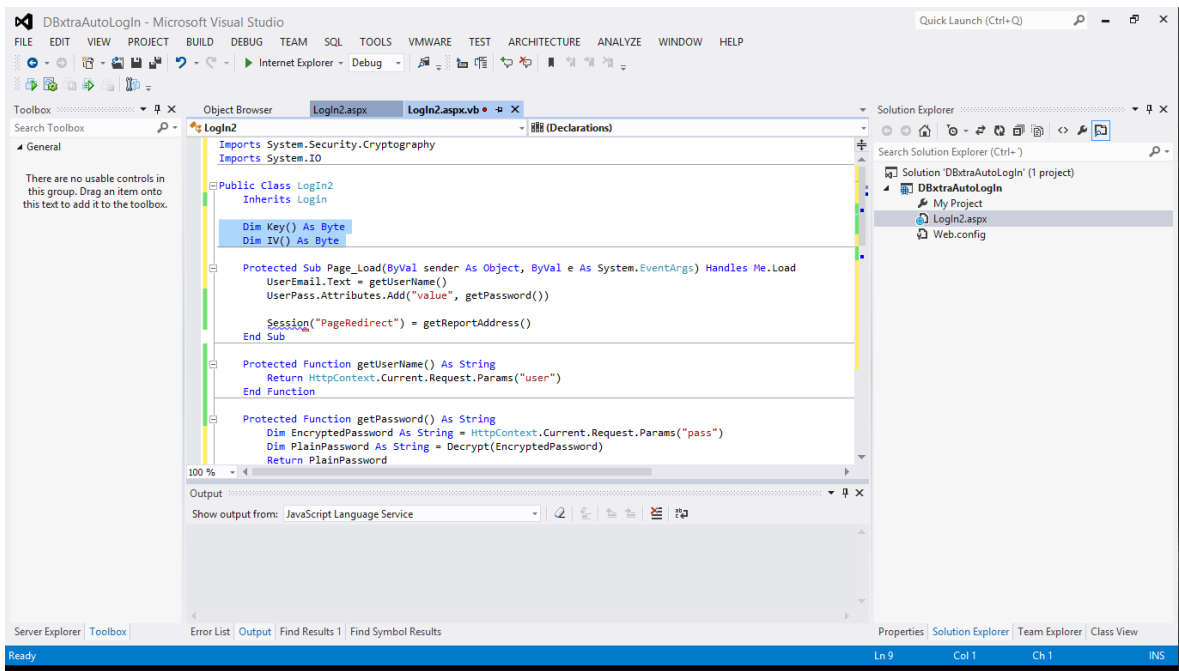
Protected Function getPassword() As String
    Dim EncryptedPassword As String =
        HttpContext.Current.Request.Params("pass")
    Dim PlainPassword As String = Decrypt(EncryptedPassword)
    Return PlainPassword
End Function

```



3.- Declare the Key and IV properties in the LogIn2 class:

```
Dim Key() As Byte
Dim IV() As Byte
```

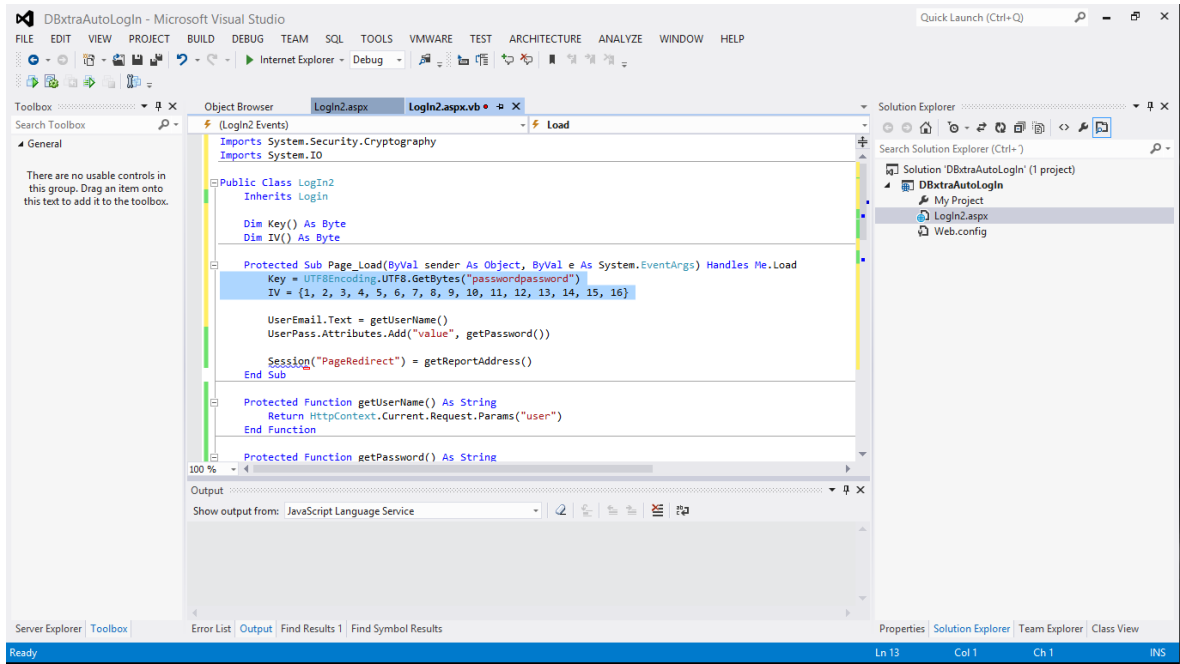




4.- In the Page\_Load method add the following before getting the password:

```
Key = UTF8Encoding.UTF8.GetBytes("passwordpassword")
```

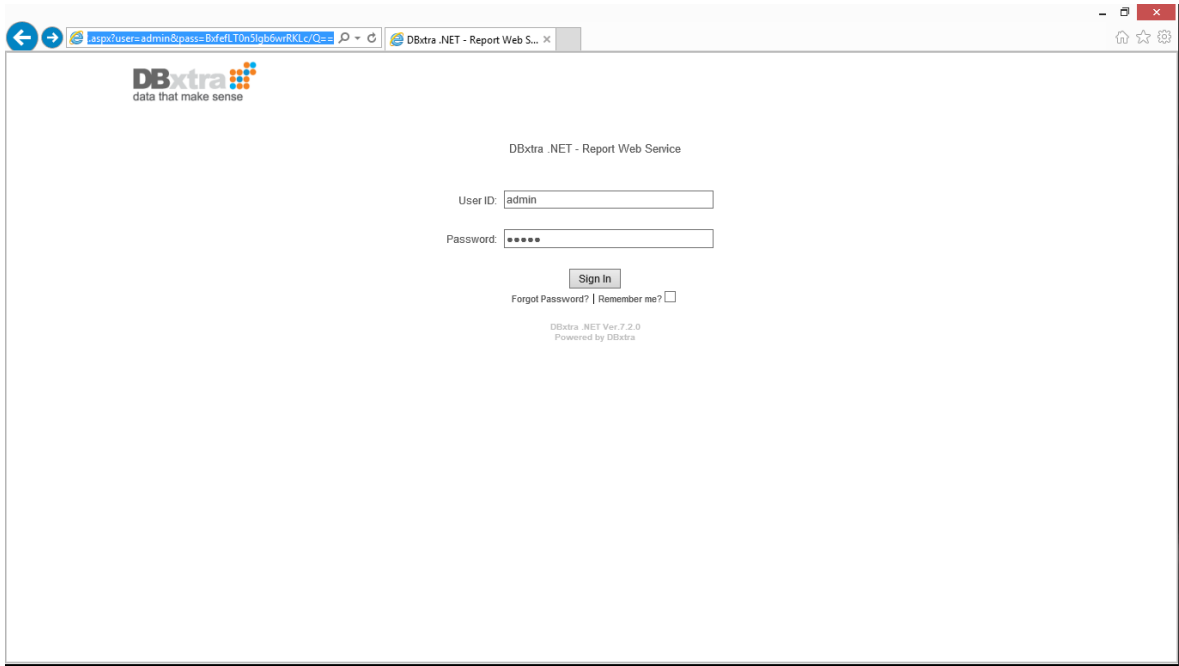
```
IV = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16}
```



This is the key and initialization vector of the encrypt/decrypt method, modify this data to suit your needs, AES keys are 128 bits (16 bytes) at least, AES initialization vectors are 128 bits (16 bytes) always.

5.- Test your changes using an address like this:

<http://localhost/DBxtra.NET/LogIn2.aspx?user=admin&pass=BxfefLT0n5lgb6wrRKLc/Q==>



Which will log in you as the Admin user, using the "admin" password.

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