Learn how to use the FormVariable config.txt directive to protect passwords in EZproxy. **FormVariable** is the most common method of password protection. Login is handled by EZproxy in the background. This directive should be used when IP-check is not available. **FormVariable** can be used to prevent the need for smaller vendors or journals to share login credentials with patrons.

When **FormVariable** is used, the link on your A to Z database list will display as:

http://ezproxy.org.edu/login/dblogin

**Example**

Username/password form automation demonstrating **FormVariable** with the typical, default values:

```plaintext
Title Some Database
URL -Form=post somedb http://www.dblogin.com/login.asp
FormVariable username=someuser
FormVariable password=somepass
FormVariable action=login
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