

OAuth in Android



What is OAuth?

- Open standard for Authorization
- "Used as a way for Internet users to authorize websites or applications to access their information on other websites but without giving them the passwords"
- "Allows notifying a resource provider (e.g. Facebook) that the resource owner (e.g. you) grants permission to a third-party (e.g. a Facebook Application) access to their information (e.g. the list of your friends)"



Different Parts to OAuth

- Client
 - Application that wants the credentials
- Provider
 - Third party like Google, Facebook, or Twitter that provides the OAuth service
- Owner
 - The person/user with the Google, Facebook, or Twitter account





Example

- Let's say you just started (yet) another social network
 - You need a way to get a list of a user's contacts
 - New users probably won't want to add all their contacts manually
 - The user also won't want to give you access to their complete contact book





Example

- This is where OAuth comes in
 - Instead of asking the user to manually fill in all their contacts or asking for complete access to their contact book, we can ask for partial access
 - We could use something like Gmail for access to a user's contacts
 - We can only ask for permission to READ their contacts
 - The contacts will already be there, so no overhead for the end user



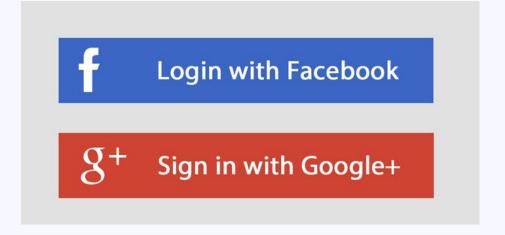
Example

- OAuth allows for the ability to grant different levels of access
 - Read only for the contacts
 - The user could permit only access to name and phone number of each contact
- OAuth also allows the user to revoke access at any time
 - If they don't like our social network they can revoke GMail contact access



Common Uses

- Facebook login, Gmail login, Github login, etc....
- Custom OAuth service that you create





OAuth Workflow - Step 1

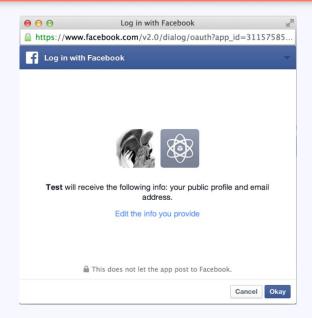
- User visits your website or app, and wants to login without creating a completely new account
- User clicks on a "login with Facebook" button





OAuth Workflow - Part 2

- Third party's login screen pops up
- User logs in and is presented with a permissions page
- If the user accepts, the page/app redirects to the original login screen



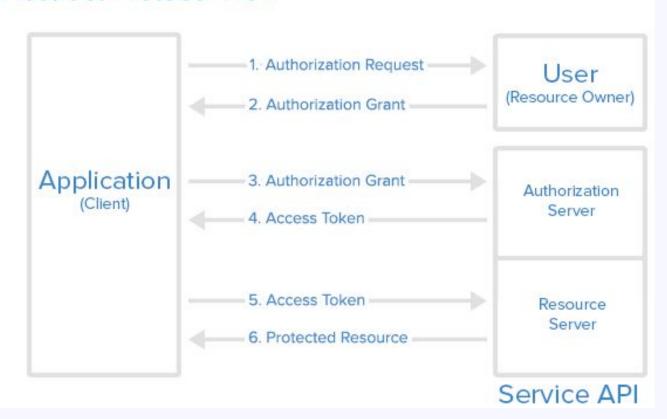


OAuth Workflow - Part 3

- The third party also returns an access token upon return to the original screen
- This access token is then used to access the user's content (contacts, email, etc.)
 - The application makes a request to OAuth backend with the token
 - If the token is verified information is returned



Abstract Protocol Flow





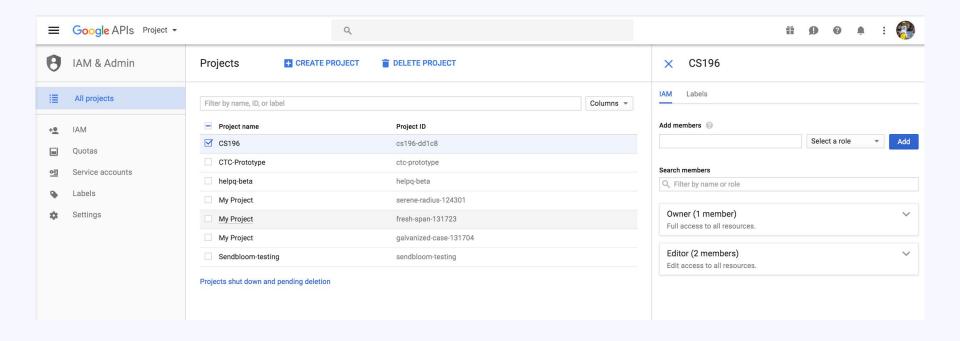
Implementing OAuth in Android

- We will be going over Google's OAuth 2.0 implementation
- I will be presenting a high level overview of the execution





• Create a project on the Google developer console





Add Google services to your project gradle

```
    Add the dependency to your project-level build.gradle:
        classpath 'com.google.gms:google-services:3.0.0'
    Add the plugin to your app-level build.gradle:
        apply plugin: 'com.google.gms.google-services'
```

```
apply plugin: 'com.android.application'
...

dependencies {
    compile 'com.google.android.gms:play-services-auth:9.8.0'
}
```

- Configure GoogleSignInOptions object
 - In the onCreate method, configure the object to access the data that your application needs
 - DEFAULT_SIGN_IN parameter gives access to basic profile information

- Create a GoogleApiClient object
 - Pass in the GoogleSignInOptions object from step 3



- Add the Google Sign In button to the view
 - Use the SignInButton in XML
 - Use the SignInButton java class in your code

```
// Customize sign-in button. The sign-in button can be displayed in
// multiple sizes and color schemes. It can also be contextually
// rendered based on the requested scopes. For example. a red button may
// be displayed when Google+ scopes are requested, but a white button
// may be displayed when only basic profile is requested. Try adding the
// Scopes.PLUS_LOGIN scope to the GoogleSignInOptions to see the
// difference.
SignInButton signInButton = (SignInButton) findViewById(R.id.sign_in_button);
signInButton.setSize(SignInButton.SIZE_STANDARD);
signInButton.setScopes(gso.getScopeArray());
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- Create an onClick method for the sign-in button
 - Create a signIn() helper function to call in the onClick function
 - Create a sign-in intent

```
private void signIn() {
    Intent signInIntent = Auth.GoogleSignInApi.getSignInIntent(mGoogleApiClient);
    startActivityForResult(signInIntent, RC_SIGN_IN);
}
SignInActivity.java <a href="mailto:Z">Z</a>
```



- Create an onActivityResult function in your activity
 - Use a GoogleSignInResult object to retrieve the result from the intent

```
@Override
public void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode, Intent data) {
    super.onActivityResult(requestCode, resultCode, data);

// Result returned from launching the Intent from GoogleSignInApi.getSignInIntent(...);
    if (requestCode == RC_SIGN_IN) {
        GoogleSignInResult result = Auth.GoogleSignInApi.getSignInResultFromIntent(data);
        handleSignInResult(result);
    }
}
SignInActivity.java
```



```
private void handleSignInResult(GoogleSignInResult result) {
    Log.d(TAG, "handleSignInResult:" + result.isSuccess());
    if (result.isSuccess()) {
        // Signed in successfully, show authenticated UI.
        GoogleSignInAccount acct = result.getSignInAccount();
        mStatusTextView.setText(getString(R.string.signed_in_fmt, acct.getDisplayName()));
        updateUI(true);
    } else {
        // Signed out, show unauthenticated UI.
        updateUI(false);
    }
}
```



Links

https://developers.google.com/android/guides/http-auth

https://developers.google.com/identity/sign-in/android/sign-in