Developing with the Power BI Service API

Setup Time: 40 minutes

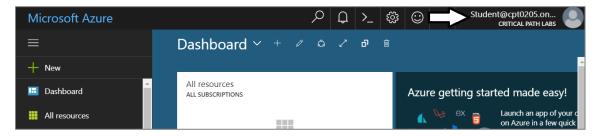
Lab Folder: C:\Student\Modules\03_PowerBiServiceAPI\Lab

Overview: In this lab, you will begin by creating a new Azure AD application that allows you to call the Power BI Service API. After that, you will use Visual Studio to create a new C# console application that programs using the Power BI SDK.

Exercise 1: Register a New Application with Azure Active Directory

In this exercise, you will register a new application with Azure AD and you will configure the application's required permissions to access the Power BI Service API.

- 1. Log into the Azure Portal
 - a) In the browser, navigate to the Azure portal at https://portal.azure.com.
 - b) When you are prompted to log in, provide the credentials to log in with your Office 365 user account name.
 - c) Once you are log into the Azure portal, check the email address in the login menu in the upper right to make sure you are logged in the Azure portal with the correct identity.



- 2. Register a new Azure AD application.
 - a) In the left navigation, scroll down and click on the link for Azure Active Directory.
 - b) Click the link for **App registration**.



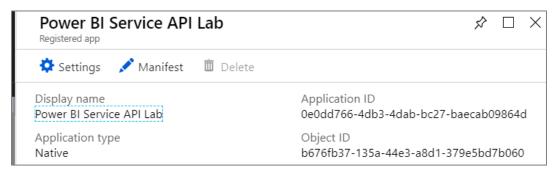
c) Click New application registration.



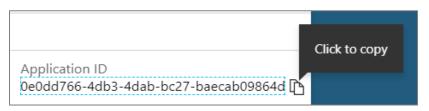
- d) In the Create blade, enter the following information.
 - i) Add a Name of Power BI Service API Lab.
 - ii) Set the Application type to Native.
 - iii) Set the Redirect URI to https://localhost/app1234.
 - iv) Click the Create button to create the new application.



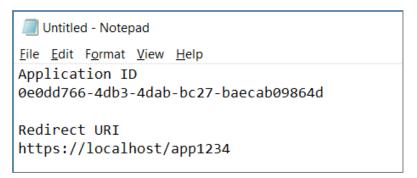
e) Once you have created the new application you should see the new application summary view.



f) Copy the Application ID to the Windows clipboard.



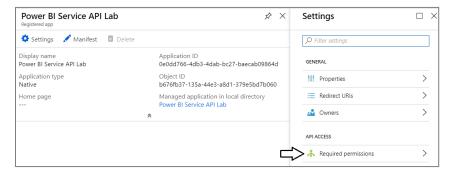
g) Launch Notepad and paste the Application ID into a new text file. Also add the value of the Redirect URI.



h) Click on the **Settings** link to display the **Settings** blade.



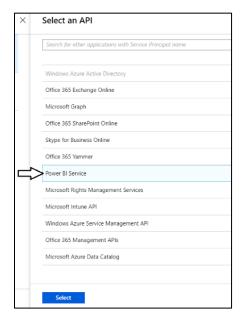
i) In the **Settings** blade, click **Required permissions** link.



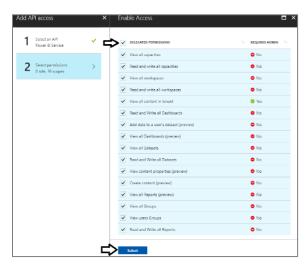
j) In the Required permissions blade, click the Add button on.



- k) Click the Select an API option in the Add API access blade.
- I) In the Select an API blade, click Power BI Service.



- m) In the Enable Access blade, click the top checkbox for DELEGATED PERMISSIONS to select all the permissions.
- n) Once you have selected all the permissions, click the **Select** button at the bottom of the blade.



- o) Click the Done button at the bottom of the Add API Access blade.
- p) At this point, you should be able to verify that the Power BI Service has been added to the Required permissions list.



You are now done registering your application with Azure AD.

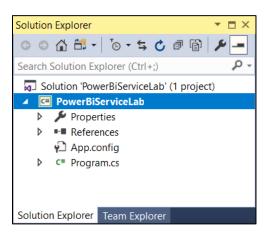
Exercise 2: Call the Power BI Service API using Direct REST Calls

In this exercise, you will create a simple C# Console application to call into the Power BI Service API.

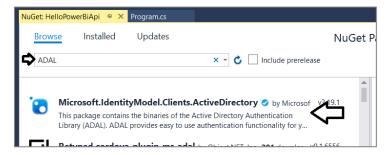
- 1. Create a new C# Console application in Visual Studio.
 - a) Launch Visual Studio.
 - b) Create a new project by running the File > New Project command.
 - c) Select a project type of Console App from the Visual C# project templates.
 - d) Give the project a Name of PowerBiServiceLab and
 - e) Give the project a Location of C:\Student\Modules\03_PowerBiServiceAPI\Lab.
 - f) Click OK to create the new project.



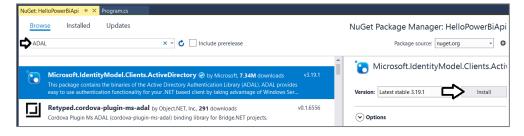
g) You should now have a new project named **PowerBiServiceLab**.



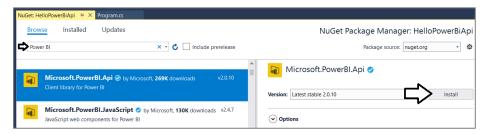
- Add the NuGet packages to the project required to program the Power BI Service API using the Power BI SDK.
 - a) Right-click the top-level node for the **PowerBiServiceLab** project and select **Manage NuGet Packages...**.
 - b) Click the Browse tab and type ADAL into the search box.
 - c) Locate the package Microsoft.IdentityModel.Clients.ActiveDirectory. This is the Active Directly Authentication library.



d) Select and install Microsoft.IdentityModel.Clients.ActiveDirectory.

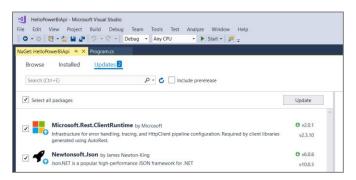


- e) When prompted about the licensing agreement, click I Agree.
- f) Search for Power BI and then find and install the Microsoft.PowerBI.Api.



g) When prompted about the licensing agreement, click I Agree.

- 3. Update all NuGet packages.
 - a) Navigate to the **Update** tab and update any packages that have updates available.



- b) Close the window for the Nuget Package Manager.
- 4. Add the starter C# code to **program.cs**.
 - a) Using Windows Explorer, locate the file named ProgramStarter.cs.txt located in the Student folder at the following path.

C:\Student\Modules\03_PowerBiServiceAPI\StarterFiles\ProgramStarter.cs.txt

- b) Open the file named ProgramStarter.cs.txt in Notepad and copy its contents into the Window clipboard.
- c) Return to the PowerBiServiceLab project in Visual Studio.
- d) Open the source file named program.cs.
- e) Delete all the code inside **program.cs** and replace it with the content you copied into the Windows clipboard.
- f) You should now have the basic code for a simple C# console application which access the Power BI Service API.

```
using System;
using Microsoft.IdentityModel.Clients.ActiveDirectory;
using Microsoft.PowerBI.Api.V2;
using Microsoft.Rest;

class Program {
    static string aadAuthorizationEndpoint = "https://login.windows.net/common";
    static string resourceUriPowerBi = "https://analysis.windows.net/powerbi/api";
    static string urlPowerBiRestApiRoot = "https://api.powerbi.com/";

// enter the correct configuration values for your environment
    static string appWorkspaceId = "";
    static string clientId = "";
    static string redirectUrl = "https://localhost/app1234";

static string GetAccessToken() ...

static PowerBIClient GetPowerBiclient() ...

static void Main() ...
    static void DisplayPersonalWorkspaceAssets() ...
}
```

- 5. Update the code with your app workspace ID, the Azure AD application ID and Redirect URI.
 - a) Locate the section of the code with the static properties named appWorkspaceld, clientId and redirectUrl.
 - b) Replace these values with the values you copied into Notepad earlier.

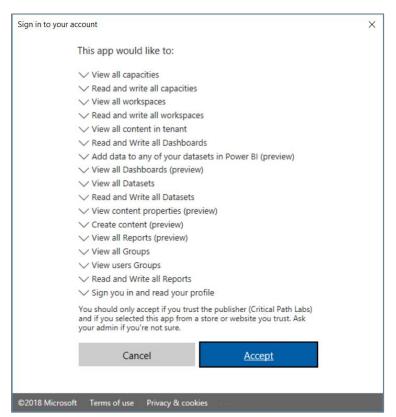
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// enter the correct configuration values for your environment
static string appworkspaceId = "dfe5e680-a85a-4731-8c89-963fa5c6c86e";
static string clientId = "0e0dd766-4db3-4dab-bc27-baecab09864d";
static string redirectUrl = "https://localhost/app1234";
```

c) Save your changes to **program.cs**.

- 6. Run the application to call to the Power BI Service API.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to begin a debugging session.
 - b) When promoted to sign in, log in using your Office 365 user account credentials.



c) When prompted with the **Required permissions** dialog, click **Accept**.



d) The application should run and call into the Power BI Service API to retrieve data about the contents of the app workspace.

```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe

Listing assets in app workspace: dfe5e680-a85a-4731-8c89-963fa5c6c86e

Datasets:
- Wingtip Sales Analysis [8524226b-d91e-463f-b8c2-17427af29659]

Reports:
- Wingtip Sales Analysis [A618FA1F-4EF3-493B-B51D-E2C65DC0D0A3]

Dashboards:
- Wingtip Sales Analysis [f0c94cca-cfb3-4f38-afec-f3af729ee5f3]

Press any key to continue . . . _
```

Since you will be running this program quite a few times as you write more code, it will make development less tedious if you modify the **GetAccessToken** method so it can run in an unattended fashion without requiring you to sign in interactively.

- 7. Modify the GetAccessToken method to acquire access tokens using the User Password Credential flow.
 - a) The following code listing shows the current implementation of the GetAccessToken method.

b) Replace the code in GetAccessToken with the following code which implements the User Password Credentials flow.

```
static string GetAccessToken() {
    // create new authentication context
    var authenticationContext = new AuthenticationContext(aadAuthorizationEndpoint);

    // use authentication context to sign-in using User Password Credentials flow
    string masterUserAccount = "ACCOUNT_NAME_OF_MASTER_USER";
    string masterUserPassword = "PASSWORD_OF_MASTER_USER";
    UserPasswordCredential creds = new UserPasswordCredential(masterUserAccount, masterUserPassword);

    var userAuthnResult =
        authenticationContext.AcquireTokenAsync(resourceUriPowerBi, clientId, creds).Result;

    // return access token to caller
    return userAuthnResult.AccessToken;
}
```

c) Update the variables **masterUserAccount** and **masterUserPassword** with the credentials for your Office 365 account.

```
// use authentication context to sign-in using User Password Credentials flow
string masterUserAccount = "student@portlandembed.onMicrosoft.com";
string masterUserPassword = "pass@word1";
UserPasswordCredential creds = new UserPasswordCredential(masterUserAccount, masterUserPassword);
```

- d) Save your changes to **program.cs**.
- 8. Run the application to call to the Power BI Service API.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to begin a debugging session.
 - b) The program should run as it did before but it should no longer require you to interactively enter a user name and password.

Exercise 3: Write C# Code to Create an App Workspace and Upload a PBIX Project File

In this exercise, you will create a simple C# Console application to call into the Power BI Service API.

- 1. Create a new C# Console application in Visual Studio.
 - a) x

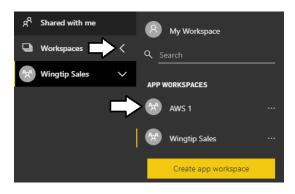
```
static string CreateAppWorkspace(string Name) {
   PowerBIClient pbiClient = GetPowerBiClient();
   // create new app workspace
   GroupCreationRequest request = new GroupCreationRequest(Name);
   Group aws = pbiClient.Groups.CreateGroup(request);
   // return app workspace ID
   return aws.Id;
```

}

b) Modify Main

```
static void Main() {
  //DisplayPersonalWorkspaceAssets();
  CreateAppWorkspace("AWS 1");
}
```

c) x



d) x

```
static void PublishPBIX(string appworkspaceId, string PbixFilePath, string ImportName) {
   Console.WriteLine("Publishing " + PbixFilePath);
   PowerBIClient pbiClient = GetPowerBiClient();
   FileStream stream = new FileStream(PbixFilePath, FileMode.Open, FileAccess.Read);
   var import = pbiClient.Imports.PostImportWithFileInGroup(appWorkspaceId, stream, ImportName);
   Console.WriteLine("Publishing process completed");
}
```

e) x

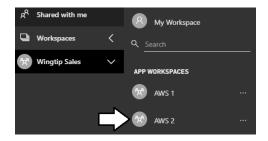
```
static void Main() {
   //DisplayPersonalWorkspaceAssets();
   //CreateAppWorkspace("AWS 1");

string appWorkspaceId = CreateAppWorkspace("AWS 2");

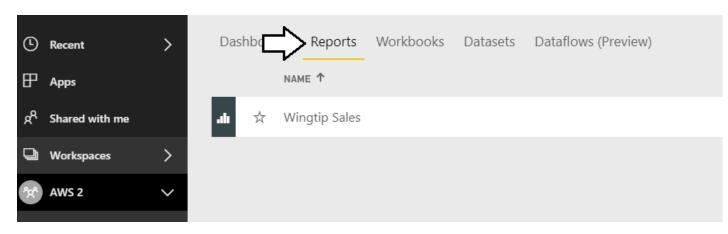
string pbixPath = @"C:\Student\PBIX\wingtip Sales Analysis.pbix";

string importName = "Wingtip Sales";
   PublishPBIX(appWorkspaceId, pbixPath, importName);
}
```

f) x



g) x



h) x

Exercise 4: Write C# Code to Copy Power BI Content Across Workspaces

In this exercise, you will create a simple C# Console application to call into the Power BI Service API.

1. Create a new C# Console application in Visual Studio.

2.

Congratulations. You have now successfully called into the Power BI Service API.