Adapter-based authentication in native Windows 8 applications

Overview

This tutorial illustrates the native Windows 8 Universal client-side authentication components for adapter-based authentication.
Prerequisite: Make sure that you read Adapter-based authentication (../) first.

Creating the client-side authentication components

Create a native Windows 8 Universal application and add the MobileFirst native APIs as explained in the documentation.

CustomAdapterChallengeHandler

Create a `CustomAdapterChallengeHandler` class as a subclass of `ChallengeHandler`.
Your `CustomAdapterChallengeHandler` class must implement the `isCustomResponse` and `handleChallenge` methods.

- The `isCustomResponse` method checks every custom response received from MobileFirst Server to verify whether this is the expected challenge.

```
public override bool isCustomResponse(WLResponse response)
{
    JObject responseJSON = response.getResponseJSON();
    if (response == null ||
        response.getResponseText() == null ||
        responseJSON["authStatus"] == null || String.Compare(responseJSON["authStatus"].ToSt
ring(), "complete", StringComparison.OrdinalIgnoreCase) == 0)
    {
        return false;
    }
    else
    {
        return true;
    }
}
```

- The `handleChallenge` method is called after the `isCustomResponse` method returns `true`. Use this method to present the login form. Different approaches are available.

```
public override void handleChallenge(JObject response)
{
  CoreApplication.MainView.CoreWindow.Dispatcher.RunAsync(CoreDispatcherPriority.Normal
,
async () =>
  {
    MainPage._this.LoginGrid.Visibility = Visibility.Visible;
  });
}
```

From the login form, credentials are passed to the `CustomAdapterChallengeHandler` class. The `submitAdapterAuthentication()` method is used to send input data to the authenticator.

```
public void sendResponse(String username, String password)
{
   WLProcedureInvocationData invData = new WLProcedureInvocationData("NativeAdapterBasedAdap
ter", "submitAuthentication");
   invData.setParameters(new Object[] { username, password });
   submitAdapterAuthentication(invData, new WLRequestOptions());
}
```

MainPage

Within the `MainPage` class, connect to MobileFirst Server, register your `challengeHandler` class, and invoke the protected adapter procedure.
The procedure invocation triggers MobileFirst Server to send a challenge that will trigger our `challengeHandler`.

```
WLClient wlClient = WLClient.getInstance();
CustomAdapterChallengeHandler ch = new CustomAdapterChallengeHandler();
wlClient.registerChallengeHandler((BaseChallengeHandler<JObject>)ch);
MyResponseListener mylistener = new MyResponseListener(this);
wlClient.connect(mylistener);
```

Because the native API is not protected by a defined security test, no login form is presented during server connection.
Invoke the protected adapter procedure. The login form is presented by the challenge handler.

```
WLResourceRequest adapter = new WLResourceRequest("/adapters/AuthAdapter/getSecretData", "G
ET");
MyInvokeListener listener = new MyInvokeListener(this);
adapter.send(listener);
```

Sample application

Click to download (https://github.com/MobileFirst-Platform-Developer-Center/AdapterBasedAuth/tree/release71) the MobileFirst project.

Click to download (https://github.com/MobileFirst-Platform-Developer-Center/AdapterBasedAuthWin8/tree/release71) the Native project.

- The `AdapterBasedAuth` project contains a MobileFirst native API that you can deploy to your MobileFirst server.
- The `AdapterBasedAuthWin8` project contains a native Windows 8 Universal application that uses a MobileFirst native API library.
- Make sure to update the `worklight.plist` file in the native project with the relevant server settings.