Adapter-based authentication in native Windows 8 applications

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Overview

This tutorial illustrates the native Windows 8 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 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["authRequired"] == null || S
    tring.Compare(responseJSON["authRequired"].ToString(), "false", 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;<br/>});
})
```

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("NativeAdapterBasedAdapter", "submit
Authentication");
   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.

```
WLProcedureInvocationData invocationData = new WLProcedureInvocationData("DummyAdapter", "getSecretData"
);
Object[] parameters = { 0 };
invocationData.setParameters(parameters);
MyInvokeListener listener = new MyInvokeListener(this);
WLClient.getInstance().invokeProcedure(invocationData, listener, new WLRequestOptions());
```

Sample application

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