

Custom Authenticator and Login Module in native Android applications

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This is a continuation of Custom Authenticator and Login Module (../).

Creating the client-side authentication components

Create a native Android application and add the IBM MobileFirst Platform Foundation native APIs following the documentation.

Add an Activity, *LoginCustomLoginModule*, that will handle and present the login form.

Remember to add this Activity to the *AndroidManifest.xml* file as well.

Create a *MyChallengeHandler* class as a subclass of *ChallengeHandler*.

MyChallengeHandler should implement 2 main methods:

- *isCustomResponse*
- *HandleChallenge*

In our sample we add another method to present and handle the received data from our form (*submitLogin*).

isCustomResponse

This method checks every custom response received from the MobileFirst Server to see if that's the challenge we are expecting.

```
public boolean isCustomResponse(WLResponse response) {
    if (response == null || response.getResponseJSON() == null)
    {
        return false;
    }
    if(response.toString().indexOf("authStatus") > -1){
        return true;
    }
    else{
        return false;
    }
}
```

handleChallenge

This method is called after the *isCustomResponse* method returned *true*.

Here we use this method to present our login form.

```

public void handleChallenge(WLResponse response){
    try {
        if(response.getResponseJSON().getString("authStatus") == "complete"){
            submitSuccess(response);
        }
        else {
            cachedResponse = response;
            Intent login = new Intent(parentActivity, LoginCustomLoginModule.class);
        }
    };
    parentActivity.startActivityForResult(login, 1);
}
} catch (JSONException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
}
}

```

submitLogin

If the user asked to abort this action we use *submitFailure()* method, otherwise we send the information we collected from our login form to our custom authenticator using *submitLoginForm()* method.

```

public void submitLogin(int resultCode, String userName, String password, boolean back){
    if (resultCode != Activity.RESULT_OK || back) {
        submitFailure(cachedResponse);
    } else {
        HashMap<String, String> params = new HashMap<String, String>();
        params.put("username", userName);
        params.put("password", password);
        submitLoginForm("/my_custom_auth_request_url", params, null, 0, "post");
    }
}
}

```

Main Activity

In the Main Activity class connect to the MobileFirst server, register your *challengeHandler* and invoke the protected adapter procedure.

The procedure invocation will trigger the MobileFirst server to send a challenge that will trigger our *challengeHandler*.

```

final WLClient client = WLClient.createInstance(this);
client.connect(new MyConnectionListener());
challengeHandler = new AndroidChallengeHandler(this, realm);
client.registerChallengeHandler(challengeHandler);
invokeBtn = (Button) findViewById(R.id.invoke);
invokeBtn.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
    @Override
    public void onClick(View v) {
        WLProcedureInvocationData invocationData = new WLProcedureInvocationData("DummyAdapter", "getSecretData");
        WLRequestOptions options = new WLRequestOptions();
        options.setTimeout(30000);
        client.invokeProcedure(invocationData, new MyResponseListener(), options);
    }
});
}

```

Sample application

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