

Adapter-based authentication in native Windows 8 applications

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.

```

1  public override bool isCustomResponse(WLResponse response)
2  {
3      JObject responseJSON = response.getResponseJSON();
4      if (response == null || response.getResponseText() == null || responseJSON["authRequired"] == null || String.Con
5      {
6          return false;
7      }
8      else
9      {
10         return true;
11     }
12 }

```

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

```

1  public override void handleChallenge(JObject response)
2  {
3      CoreApplication.MainView.CoreWindow.Dispatcher.RunAsync(CoreDispatcherPriority.Normal,
4      async () =>
5      {
6          MainPage._this.LoginGrid.Visibility = Visibility.Visible;<br />
7      });
8  }

```

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

```

1 public void sendResponse(String username, String password) {
2     WLProcedureInvocationData invData = new WLProcedureInvocationData("NativeAdapterBasedAdapter", "submitAuthentic
3     invData.setParameters(new Object[] { username, password });
4     submitAdapterAuthentication(invData, new WLRequestOptions());
5 }

```

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.

```

1 WLClient wIClient = WLClient.getInstance();
2 <p>CustomAdapterChallengeHandler ch = new CustomAdapterChallengeHandler();
3 wIClient.registerChallengeHandler((BaseChallengeHandler<JsonObject>)ch);
4 <p>MyResponseListener mylistener = new MyResponseListener(this);
5 wIClient.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.

```

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

```

Sample application

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