

PrivacyStreams Walkthrough

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Example

Suppose we want to detect the sleep state based on microphone loudness. Our task is to get loudness every 10 minutes.

4 steps to access data

1. Know what data you want to access and why;
2. Find a provider [here](#)*;
3. Add required permissions according to the provider;
4. Get data using `uqi.getData(Provider, Purpose)`.

*<https://privacystreams.github.io/items.html>

Example: accessing data

Step 1: Know what data you want to access and why;

- What data: record audio periodically;
- Why: monitoring sleep.

Example: accessing data

Step 2: Find a provider here*

MStreamProvider

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Provide a live stream of Audio items. The audios are recorded from microphone periodically every certain time interval, and each Audio item is a certain duration of time long. For example, `recordPeriodic(1000, 4000)` will record audio from 0s-1s, 5s-6s, 10s-11s, ... This provider requires `Manifest.permission.RECORD_AUDIO` permission.

- `durationPerRecord`: the time duration of each audio record, in milliseconds.
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Step 3: Add permissions according to the provider;

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```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.RECORD_AUDIO" />
```

Example: accessing data

Step 4: Get data using:

`uqi.getData(Provider, Purpose)`

```
UQI uqi = new UQI(context);  
uqi.getData(Audio.recordPeriodic(10*1000, 10*60*1000), Purpose.HEALTH("monitoring sleep."))  
    .debug();
```

Provider **Purpose**

4 steps to process data

1. Understand the concept of Stream, Item, Field;
2. Know the format of the stream you accessed;
3. Find proper Transformations here* ;
4. Find operators at here** or customize operators.

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Example: processing data

Step 1. Understand Stream, Item, and Field

MStream
(multi-item stream)



SStream
(single-item stream)



Item

```
// An example of an Audio Item.
{
  Long "time_created": 1489528276655, Field
  Long "timestamp": 1489528266640,
  AudioData "audio_data": <AudioData@12416728>
}
```

Example: processing data

Step 2. Know the format of the stream you accessed:

Option 1. Look up in documentation*

Reference	Name	Type	Description
Audio.TIME_CREATED	"time_created"	Long	The timestamp of when this item is created. It is a general field for all items.
Audio.TIMESTAMP	"timestamp"	Long	The timestamp of when the audio/record was generated.
Audio.AUDIO_DATA	"audio_data"	AudioData	The abstraction of audio data. The value is an <code>AudioData</code> instance.

Option 2. Use ``debug()`` method (item will be printed in logcat).

```
UQI uqi = new UQI(context);
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Step 3. Find proper Transformations here*

For example, the `setField` transformation:

<p>MStream→MStream</p>	<pre>setField(String fieldToSet, Function<Item,TValue> functionToComputeValue)</pre> <p>Set a field to a new value for each item in the stream. The value is computed with a function that take the item as input. Eg. <code>setField("x", Comparators.gt("y", 10))</code> will set a new boolean field "x" to each item, which indicates whether the "y" field is greater than 10.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <code>fieldToSet</code>: the name of the field to set, it can be a new name or an existing name.- <code>functionToComputeValue</code>: the function to compute the new field value- <code><TValue></code>: the type of the new field value
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How to use:

```
uqi.getData(Audio.recordPeriodic(10*1000, 10*60*1000), Purpose.HEALTH("monitoring sleep.")).setField("loudness", xxx).debug();
```

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Example: processing data

Step 4. Find proper operators here**

For example, `calcLoudness` operator:

Function<Item, Double>

AudioOperators.**calcLoudness**(String audioDataField)

Calculate the average (RMS) loudness of the audio specified by an AudioData field. The loudness is an double number indicating the sound pressure level in dB.

- audioDataField: the name of the AudioData field.

To use it with `setField` transformation:

```
uqi.getData(Audio, recordPeriodic(10*1000, 10*60*1000), Purpose.HEALTH("monitoring sleep.")).setField("loudness", AudioOperators.calcLoudness("audio_data")).debug();
```

New field type: Double **Existing AudioData-type field**

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4 steps to output data

1. Know what data you want to output and how (immediately or asynchronously);
2. Know the format of the stream after processing;
3. Find a proper Action here^{*} ;
4. Find operators at here^{**} or customize operators.

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Example: outputting data

Step 1. Know what data you want to output and how

- What data: loudness
- How: asynchronously (non-blocking)

Example: outputting data

Step 2. Know the stream format after processing:

Option 1. Use `debug()` method (item will be printed in logcat).

```
uqi.getData(Audio.recordPeriodic(10*1000, 10*60*1000), Purpose.HEALTH("monitoring sleep.")).  
    .setField("loudness", AudioOperators.calcLoudness("audio_data")).  
    .debug();
```

Option 2. Infer based on code.

- `setField("loudness", calcLoudness(...))` sets the output of `calcLoudness` to "loudness" field;
- The output type of `calcLoudness` is Double;
- ==> The type of "loudness" field is Double.

Example: outputting data

Step 3. Find a proper Action here*

For example, the `forEach` action:

<code>MStream->void</code>	Non-blocking	<code>forEach(String fieldToSelect, Callback<TValue> callback)</code> Callback with a certain field of each item. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <code>fieldToSelect</code>: the name of the field to callback with- <code>callback</code>: the callback to invoke for each item field- <code><TValue></code>: the type of the field
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How to use:

```
uqi.getData(Audio.recordPeriodic(10*1000, 10*60*1000), Purpose.HEALTH("monitoring sleep.")).setField("loudness", AudioOperators.calcLoudness("audio_data")).forEach("loudness", xxx);
```

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Example: outputting data

Step 4. Find proper operators or define your own.
For example, using a customized callback:

```
uqi.getData(Audio.recordPeriodic(10*1000, 10*60*1000), Purpose.HEALTH("monitoring sleep.")).setField("loudness", AudioOperators.calcLoudness("audio_data")).forEach("loudness", new Callback<Double>() {  
    @Override  
    protected void onInput(Double input) {  
        System.out.println("Current loudness is " + input + " dB.");  
    }  
});
```