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Assignment 04 Report

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The following report consists of two sections which provide answers for both question 1 & 2 in MTIT Assignment 4. In this report the answers are provided based on "Google Contacts" API version 3.0

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1. Google ContactsAPI

Google Contacts Application Program Interface (API) facilitates the users to access Google Contacts information of particular user. The user will be the owner of access token. In order to acquire an access token the user must follow the authentication process which has described below.

1.1.Authentication

Authentication is a technique which validates client applications before they access to different services or vulnerable data in a system. Since REST requests are capable of mutating the data in a system, authentication mechanism becomes more important security aspect in order to validate those client side applications.

In Google Contacts it has used OAuth 2.0 authentication protocol to authenticate the RESTful requests made by respective client side applications (i.e. Postman plug-in). Otherwise it will prevent accessing Google Contacts data or any other related service.

```
Content-length: 0
Authorization: Bearer ya29..xAJnXz3tBqR6q8JAHvkMAro7cj3n_PnblwnyUfWdjU_eowhuUQV06bx700UnwH0d_w

HTTP/1.1 401 Unauthorized
Alternate-protocol: 443:quic
Content-length: 11875
X-xss-protection: 1; mode=block
X-content-type-options: nosniff
Transfer-encoding: chunked
Expires: Thu, 14 Apr 2016 08:26:15 GMT
Server: GSE
- content-encoding: gzip
Cache-control: private, max-age=0
Date: Thu, 14 Apr 2016 08:26:15 GMT
X-frame-options: SAMEORIGIN
Alt-svc: quic=":443"; ma=2592000; v="32,31,30,29,28,27,26,25"
Content-type: text/html; charset=utf-8

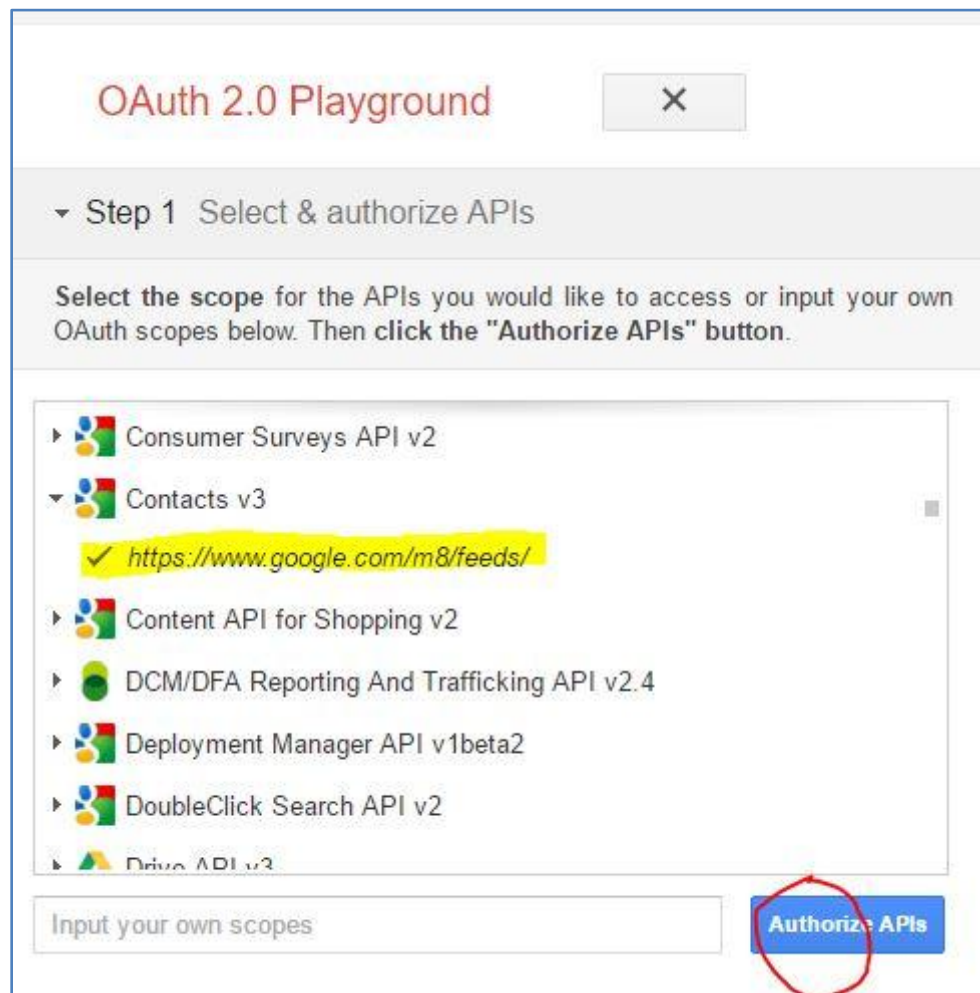
<html><head><meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8">
<title>Error
401
(Client Error)!!1</title>
<style type="text/css">
*{margin:0;padding:0}html,code{font:15px/22px arial,sans-serif}html{background:#fff;color:#222;padding:15px}bo
</style></head>
<body><a href="//www.google.com/" id="g"><b>401.</b></p>
<ins>That's an error.</ins></p>
<p>There was an error in your request.
<ins>That's all we know.</ins></p></body></html>
```

1-1 Unauthorized request

In this authentication technique it takes the owner information (email address of any person who has Google account privileges) to authenticate the client-side application which makes the request to server. The steps for the authentication are described below.

- **Select the Google Contacts API**

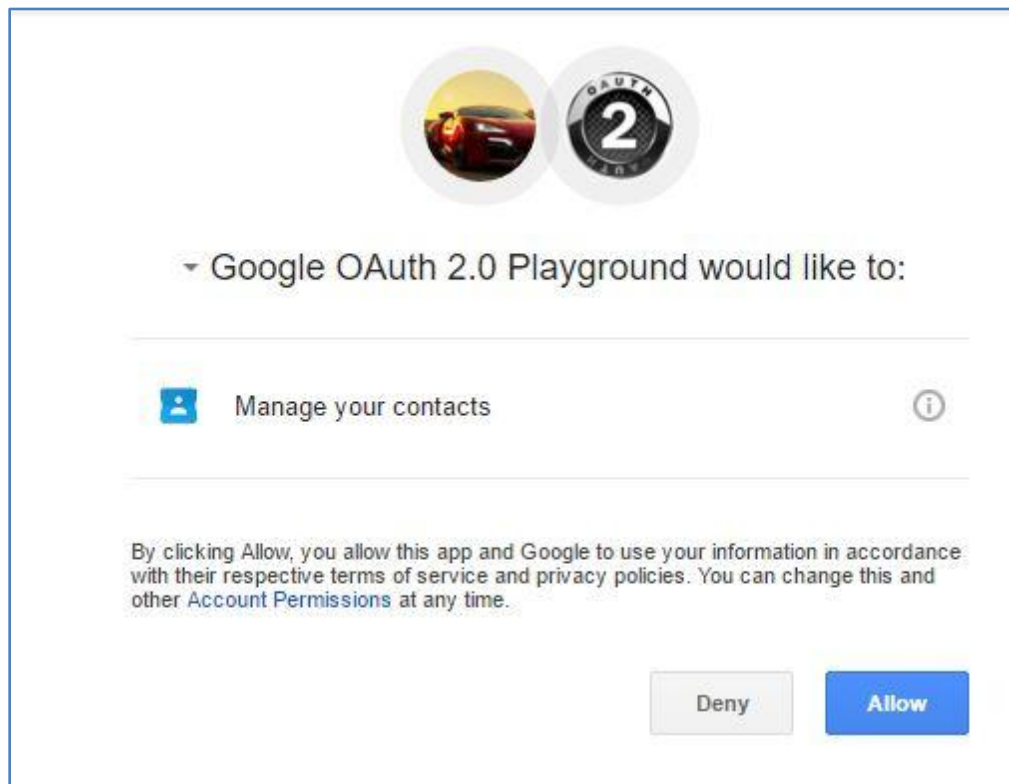
Visit Google OAuth playground and select the API that you need to access. In our case we have selected Google Contacts API version 3. Once you select it click on Authorize API button where it redirect to next step.



1-2 Select Contacts API

- **Access Permissions**

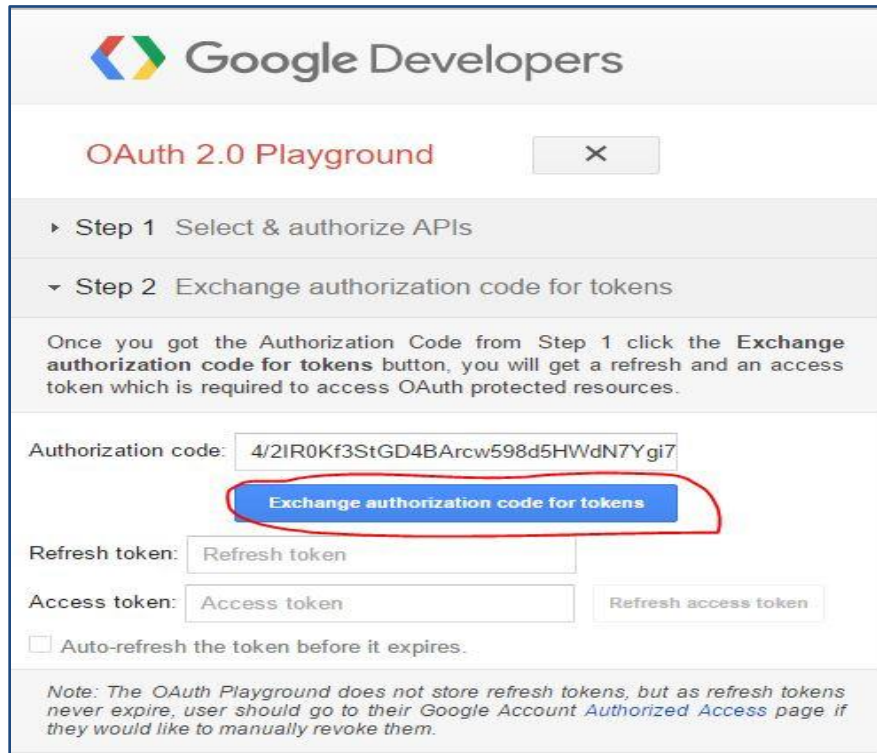
As the next step you need to sign in to your Google account. Note that this account will be considered by the APIservice in order to generate authentication token. Therefore it requires the respective user permission inorder to access respectiveprivate data as well as identifying the ownership of client side application.



1-3 Provide permission

- **Generate Access Token**

Once you click on Allow button in above dialog it will redirect to the next step of creating the access token where it provides an access token for limited time duration to access the API service.



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OAuth 2.0 Playground

Step 1 Select & authorize APIs

Step 2 Exchange authorization code for tokens

Once you got the Authorization Code from Step 1 click the **Exchange authorization code for tokens** button, you will get a refresh and an access token which is required to access OAuth protected resources.

Authorization code: 4/2IR0Kf3StGD4BArcw598d5HWdN7Ygi7

Exchange authorization code for tokens

Refresh token: Refresh token

Access token: Access token Refresh access token

☐ Auto-refresh the token before it expires.

Note: The OAuth Playground does not store refresh tokens, but as refresh tokens never expire, user should go to their Google Account [Authorized Access](#) page if they would like to manually revoke them.

1-4 Create access token

Once the access token is created copy the token and paste it in Postman plug-in under Auth tab

▼ Step 2 Exchange authorization code for tokens

Once you got the Authorization Code from Step 1 click the Exchange authorization code for tokens button, you will get a refresh and an access token which is required to access OAuth protected resources.

Authorization code: 4/3pRebWDvHVhVq5JdU-o0D7WCfphEm

Exchange authorization code for tokens

Refresh token: 1/deq5wIXVJpgi3cdW3Xa7dHUJoan0

Access token: ya29.xAI9mlU9an/ZBLJAXAcKTM Refresh access token

☐ Auto-refresh the token before it expires.

The access token will expire in 3136 seconds.

Note: The OAuth Playground does not store refresh tokens, but as refresh tokens never expire, user should go to their Google Account Authorized Access page if they would like to manually revoke them.

► Step 3 Configure request to API

```
<category scheme="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind" term="http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact"/>
<title type="text">Kalanaga Samaraweera's Contacts</title>
<link rel="alternate" type="text/html" href="https://www.google.com/" />
<link rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#feed" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feed" />
<link rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#post" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feed" />
<link rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#batch" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feed" />
<link rel="self" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.c" />
<link rel="next" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.c" />
<author>
<name>Kalanaga Samaraweera</name>
<email>kalanags331@gmail.com</email>
</author>
<generator version="1.0" uri="http://www.google.com/m8/feeds">Contacts</generator>
<openSearch:totalResults>32</openSearch:totalResults>
<openSearch:startIndex>1</openSearch:startIndex>
<openSearch:itemsPerPage>25</openSearch:itemsPerPage>
<entry>
<id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/ff37a42089255fc</id>
<updated>2015-06-11T15:54:04.947Z</updated>
<category scheme="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind" term="http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact"/>
<title type="text">Isuri Gallage</title>
<link rel="http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#edit-photo" type="image/*" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<link rel="http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#photo" type="image/*" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<link rel="self" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<link rel="edit" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<gd:email rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#other" address="isurigallage@gmail.com" primary="true"/>
</entry>
<id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<updated>2016-02-20T16:39:47.895Z</updated>
<category scheme="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind" term="http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact"/>
<title type="text">Panchali</title>
<link rel="http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#edit-photo" type="image/*" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<link rel="http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#photo" type="image/*" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<link rel="self" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<link rel="edit" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
<gd:email rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#other" address="panchali@gmail.com" primary="true"/>
</entry>
</feed>
```

1-6 Copy generated access token

Normal Basic Auth Digest Auth OAuth 1.0 No environment

Consumer Key

Consumer Secret

Token ya29.xALaUT4FhdAYbnj9vttqiSyuil

Token Secret

Signature Method

Timestamp 1460612071

Nonce l0XN1d

Version 1.0

Realm Optional

Add params to header

Auto add parameters

Refresh request

Note

If auto addition is enabled, OAuth parameters will be added when you send the request

1-5 Paste access token in Postman application

Once you have pasted the token correctly it will automatically fill other fields (TimeStamp, "nonce" and version), but since we use OAuth version 2.0 it has to change the version number to 2 in Version field.

Now authentication is completed but make sure to send your request before countdown expires which is displayed OAuth playground. (NOTE: The countdown of availability is shown in Step 2 in OAuth playground.)

The request with proper authentication should appear in this way.

oauth_token	ya29..xAJnXz3tBqR6q8JAHvkMAro7c	✕
oauth_timestamp	1460618965	✕
oauth_nonce	nuUznD	✕
oauth_version	2.0	✕
oauth_signature	0YGgUccSxYSegDo3AO3BdHy58xE=	✕

1-7 Authentication parameters

Token	The access token provided OAuth playground
Timestamp	Total lifetime of access availability
Nonce(number of once)	Unique string per each request to identify each request individually
Version	OAuth version
Signature	Encrypts the request identification details in order to prevent security attacks during the request transmission

Furthermore instead using postman plug-in you can also check authentication using Step 3 in Google OAuth playground.

1.2.Get Requests

1.2.1. Response Header

```
Cache-Control → private, max-age=0, must-revalidate, no-transform
Content-Encoding → gzip
Content-Type → application/atom+xml; charset=UTF-8
Date → Thu, 14 Apr 2016 09:03:39 GMT
Expires → Thu, 14 Apr 2016 09:03:39 GMT
GData-Version → 1.0
Last-Modified → Thu, 14 Apr 2016 09:03:39 GMT
Server → GSE
Transfer-Encoding → chunked
Vary → Accept, X-GData-Authorization, GData-Version
X-Content-Type-Options → nosniff
X-Frame-Options → SAMEORIGIN
X-XSS-Protection → 1; mode=block
```

1-8 Response headers

Cache-Control	Describes data caching mechanism between server & client during data transaction
Content Encoding	The encoding mechanism of response data
Date	Date and time of the request arrived to server (measured at server end)
Expires	The date & time which the response provided (measured at server end)
GData version	Response http version header
Last modified	Date & time which the response was last modified by server (measured at server end)
Server	Name of server
Transfer encoding	Encoding protocol applied for entire response data packet
Vary	Informs the proxies in between server and client how future requests should be managed using cached data
X-Content-type options	Only available value is "nosniff" method which prevents intentionally reducing the data content of response
X-frame-options	Enable click jacking protection in the response ;SAMEORIGIN check the origin of response is from same source else prevent rendering the output at client end
X-XSS-Protection	Prevent entering malicious script code embedded inside response (Cross site scripting)

1.2.2. GET Contacts list

Retrieving all contacts

To retrieve all of a user's contacts, send an authorized GET request to the following URL:

```
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/{userEmail}/full
```

With the appropriate value in place of **userEmail**.

1-9 URL to get all contacts

This GET request returns all the contacts of the authenticated user. As for the {User-Email} it should provide the email address of the owner who is registered in API otherwise it will return an unauthorized access error (401).

Once you have completed the authentication process mentioned above next the above URL should be pasted in URL box and set request type to GET. Also make sure to change {user-Email} to your email address.

```
1 <?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
2 <feed
3   xmlns='http://www.w3.org/2005/Atom'
4   xmlns:openSearch='http://a9.com/-/spec/opensearchrss/1.0/'
5   xmlns:batch='http://schemas.google.com/gdata/batch'
6   xmlns:gd='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005'
7   xmlns:gContact='http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008'>
8   <id>kalanags331@gmail.com</id>
9   <updated>2016-04-14T09:06:16.345Z</updated>
10  <category scheme='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind' term='
11  http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact' />
12  <title type='text'>Kalana Samaraweera's Contacts</title>
13  <link rel='alternate' type='text/html' href='http://www.google.com/' />
14  <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#feed' type='application/atom+xml' href='
15  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full' />
16  <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#post' type='application/atom+xml' href='
17  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full' />
18  <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#batch' type='application/atom+xml' href='
19  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/batch' />
20  <link rel='self' type='application/atom+xml' href='
21  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full?max-results=25' />
22  <link rel='next' type='application/atom+xml' href='
23  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full?start-index=26&max-results=25' />
24  </>
25  <author>
26    <name>Kalana Samaraweera</name>
27    <email>kalanags331@gmail.com</email>
28  </author>
29  <generator version='1.0' uri='http://www.google.com/m8/feeds'>Contacts</generator>
30  <openSearch:totalResults>32</openSearch:totalResults>
31  <openSearch:startIndex>1</openSearch:startIndex>
32  <openSearch:itemsPerPage>25</openSearch:itemsPerPage>
33  <entry>
34    <id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/ff37a42089255fc</id>
35    <updated>2015-06-11T15:54:04.947Z</updated>
36    <category scheme='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind' term='
37    http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact' />
38    <title type='text'>Isuri Gallage</title>
39    <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008/rel#edit-photo' type='image/*' href='
```

1-10 Result of all contacts

The response will be in XML format where it will return all the contacts of the authenticated user

1.2.3. Get Contact List for criteria

In following GET request method it will return the details of contacts added by user after given date (after “updated-min=”) .Similarly in this request also it has to consider the E-mail address of user

```
GET https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/{userEmail}/full?updated-min=2007-03-16T00:00:00
```

1-11The contacts added after a given date

```
25 <entry>
26   <id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/ff37a42089255fc</id>
27   <updated>2015-06-11T15:54:04.947Z</updated>
28   <category scheme='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind' term='
http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact' />
29   <title type='text'>Isuri Gallage</title>
30   <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#edit-photo' type='image/*' href='
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/photos/media/kalanags331%40gmail.com/ff37a42089255fc/9h0LEAEFOM01nF4gDAXof
' />
31   <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#photo' type='image/*' href='
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/photos/media/kalanags331%40gmail.com/ff37a42089255fc' />
32   <link rel='self' type='application/atom+xml' href='
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/ff37a42089255fc' />
33   <link rel='edit' type='application/atom+xml' href='
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/ff37a42089255fc/1434038044947001
' />
34   <gd:email rel='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#other' address='isurigallage@gmail.com'
primary='true' />
35 </entry>
```

1-12The result set of contacts which are added after given date

1.2.4. Get Single Contact for given Id

This request requires two input parameters namely; E-mail address of authenticated user{user-Email} and the contact Id of particular user who is a connected with respective user.

```
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/{userEmail}/full/{contactId}
```

1-13 Request to get specific single contact record

The contact id can be archived using previous request which hold the value of <id> tag of each <entry> tag. The id will be the last string set after base/ element in URL


```

<entry>
  <id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/13d56a288d5b8902</id>
  <updated>2013-03-03T13:27:30.780Z</updated>
  <category scheme="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind" term="http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact"/>
  <title type="text">kalhara.sampath</title>
  <link rel="http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#edit-photo" type="image/*" href="https://www.google.com/m8/fe
  <link rel="http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#photo" type="image/*" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/p
  <link rel="self" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/
  <link rel="edit" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/
  <gd:email rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#other" address="kalhara.sampath@gmail.com" primary="true"/>
</entry>
<entry>

```

1-14 Selecting the required contact Id

```

1  <?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
2  <entry
3    xmlns='http://www.w3.org/2005/Atom'
4    xmlns:batch='http://schemas.google.com/gdata/batch'
5    xmlns:gd='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005'
6    xmlns:gContact='http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008'>
7    <id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/10a6c9b388b00381</id>
8    <updated>2016-02-20T16:39:47.895Z</updated>
9    <category scheme='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind' term='
10   http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact'/>
11    <title type='text'>Panchali</title>
12    <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#edit-photo' type='image/*' href='
13   https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/photos/media/kalanags331%40gmail.com/10a6c9b388b00381/bvYKyqIp2hW4ip5I3KISu
14   '/>
15    <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#photo' type='image/*' href='
16   https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/photos/media/kalanags331%40gmail.com/10a6c9b388b00381'/>
17    <link rel='self' type='application/atom+xml' href='
18   https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/10a6c9b388b00381'/>
19    <link rel='edit' type='application/atom+xml' href='
20   https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/10a6c9b388b00381/1455986387895001
21   '/>
22    <gd:phoneNumber rel='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#mobile' uri='tel:+94-72-853-
23   7173'+94728537173</gd:phoneNumber>
24  </entry>

```

1-15 Result of single contact

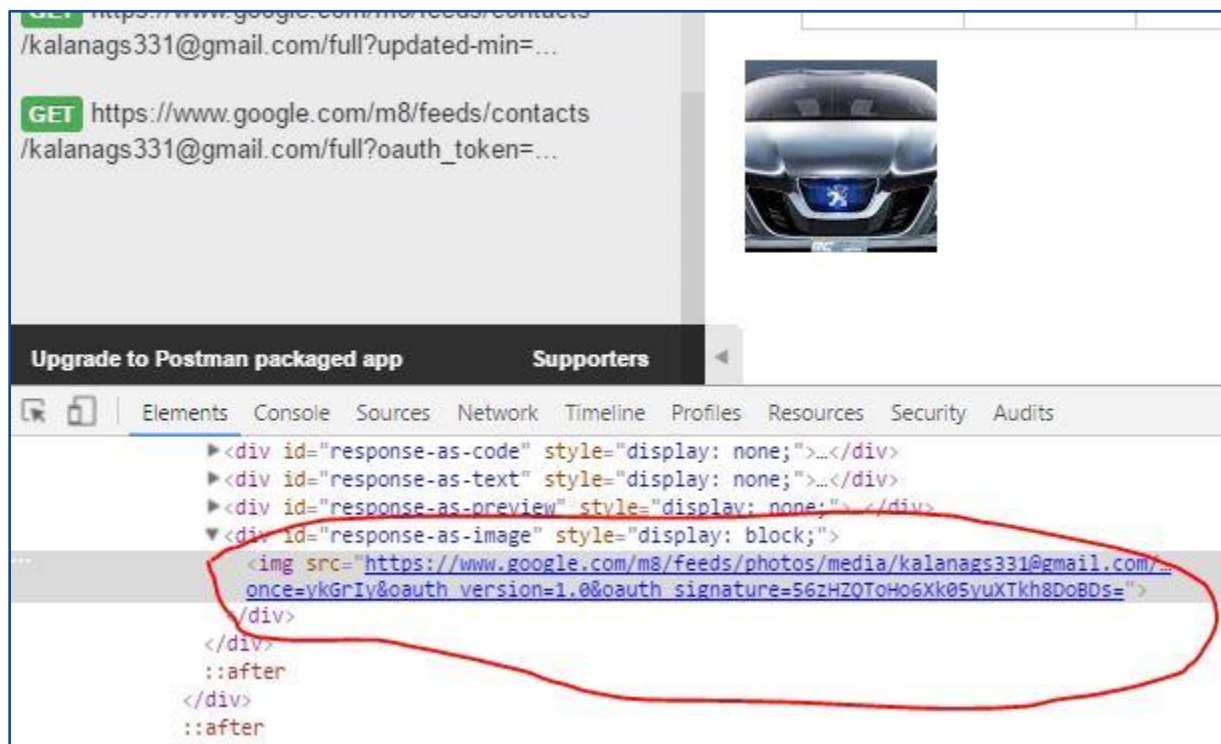
The response consist of single entry record if you have provided valid contact id and user email as input parameters to the request

1.2.5. Retrieving profile picture of a contact

In this request server return the profile picture of the contact. In the body of the contact it has to provide the above mentioned id of respective contact as well as the email address of authenticated user to API.

```
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/photos/media/{userEmail}/{contactId}
```

1-16 Request to return profile image



1-17 The result of profile image

The response renders the outputted profile image of that particular contact and display in html tag assigning the'src' attribute as URL of Google server

1.2.6. Retrieve all Contact Group

This request returns all the user groups of the authenticated user currently joined with. In order to make the request it requires the e-mail address of the authenticated user.

```
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/{userEmail}/full
```

1-18 Request to acquire user groups

The response will be in xml format where it includes all joined groups by respective user. In the response each <feed> tag includes the joined groups by user

```
1 <?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
2 <feed
3   xmlns='http://www.w3.org/2005/Atom'
4   xmlns:openSearch='http://a9.com/-/spec/opensearchrss/1.0/'
5   xmlns:batch='http://schemas.google.com/gdata/batch'
6   xmlns:gd='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005'
7   xmlns:gContact='http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008'>
8   <id>kalanags331@gmail.com</id>
9   <updated>2016-04-14T11:01:55.723Z</updated>
10  <category scheme='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind' term='http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#group' />
11  <title type='text'>Kalana Samaraweera's Contact Groups</title>
12  <link rel='alternate' type='text/html' href='http://www.google.com/' />
13  <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#feed' type='application/atom+xml' href='
14  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full' />
15  <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#post' type='application/atom+xml' href='
16  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full' />
17  <link rel='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#batch' type='application/atom+xml' href='
18  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/batch' />
19  <link rel='self' type='application/atom+xml' href='
20  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full?max-results=25' />
21  <author>
22    <name>Kalana Samaraweera</name>
23    <email>kalanags331@gmail.com</email>
24  </author>
25  <generator version='1.0' uri='http://www.google.com/m8/feeds'>Contacts</generator>
26  <openSearch:totalResults>2</openSearch:totalResults>
27  <openSearch:startIndex>1</openSearch:startIndex>
28  <openSearch:itemsPerPage>25</openSearch:itemsPerPage>
29  <entry>
30    <id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/57b04a0e8bfb7776</id>
31    <updated>2015-02-05T14:54:52.133Z</updated>
32    <category scheme='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind' term='http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#group' />
33    <title type='text'>Starred in Android</title>
34    <content type='text'>Starred in Android</content>
35    <link rel='self' type='application/atom+xml' href='
36  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/57b04a0e8bfb7776' />
37    <link rel='edit' type='application/atom+xml' href='
38  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/57b04a0e8bfb7776/1423148092133000' />
39  </entry>
40  <entry>
41    <id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/70a546d90dc72f1d</id>
42    <updated>2016-04-14T10:58:15.544Z</updated>
43    <category scheme='http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind' term='http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#group' />
44    <title type='text'>BeforeCart</title>
45    <content type='text'>BeforeCart</content>
46    <link rel='self' type='application/atom+xml' href='
47  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/70a546d90dc72f1d' />
48    <link rel='edit' type='application/atom+xml' href='
49  https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/groups/kalanags331%40gmail.com/full/70a546d90dc72f1d/1460631495544001' />
50  </entry>
51 </feed>
```

1-19The response of user groups

1.3.POST Requests

1.3.1. Create Contact

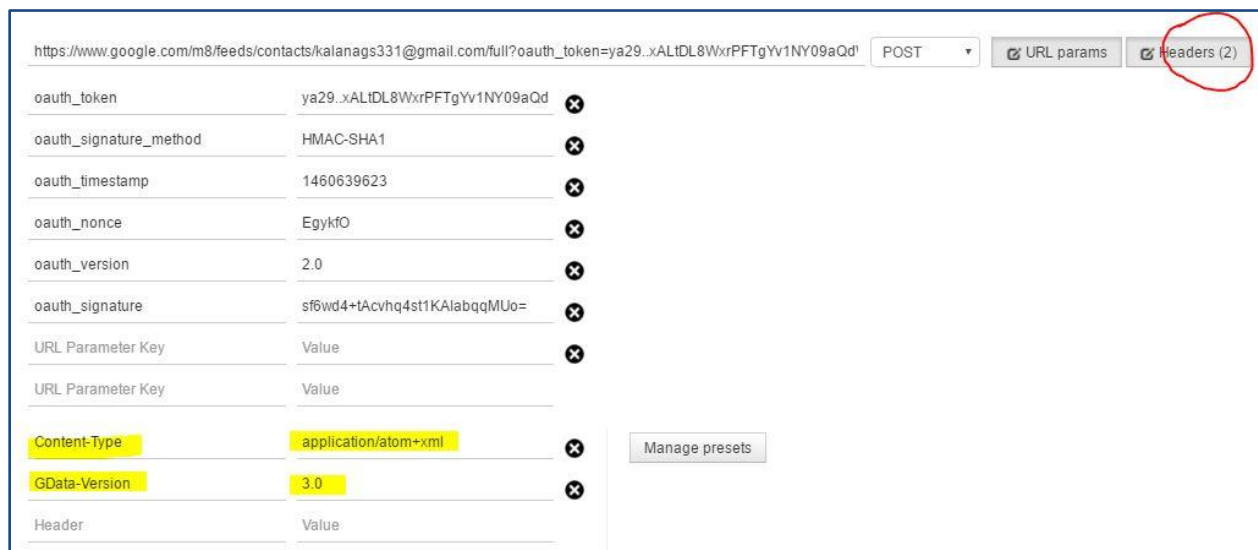
This POST request creates a new contact record for respective authenticated user. In order to send the post request it is required; email address of authenticated user, request headers and the content to be posted.

The request header consists of two entries namely;GData-version which describes the version of particular request and content type which describes the data type of the body in the request. As for the body thecontent will be in XML format which has been validated according to by w3c schema definition language (<http://www.w3.org/2005/Atom>). Therefore in header it has to mention the encoding mechanism as application/atom+xmlformat.

```
https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/{userEmail}/full
```

1-20 Post request of creating contact

In order to add above mentioned two headers click on “Headers” button under OAuth tab in postman plug-in. Then add the headers as shown in below image



1-21 Adding request headers

Once the headers are added we have to add the body content. In this API xml is used to define the body content for requests. This content includes the information that is required to create new contact record in server. Therefore once server received the request it will analyze the headers & URL, and then read the body content. Next it will validate the body and finally create a new contact record in server database.

```
<atom:entry xmlns:atom="http://www.w3.org/2005/Atom"
  xmlns:gd="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005">
  <atom:category scheme="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind"
    term="http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact"/>
  <gd:name>
    <gd:givenName>Thushan</gd:givenName>
    <gd:familyName>Gunathilake</gd:familyName>
    <gd:fullName>Thushan Gunathilake</gd:fullName>
  </gd:name>
  <atom:content type="text">Notes</atom:content>
  <gd:email rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#work"
    primary="true"
    address="tttdmgunathilake@gmail.com" displayName="Thushan"/>
  <gd:email rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#home"
    address="liz@example.org"/>
  <gd:phoneNumber rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#work"
    primary="true">
    0716765652
  </gd:phoneNumber>
  <gd:phoneNumber rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#home">
    0712344324
  </gd:phoneNumber>
  <gd:im address="liz@gmail.com"
    protocol="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#GOOGLE_TALK"
    primary="true"
    rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#home"/>
  <gd:structuredPostalAddress
    rel="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#work"
    primary="true">
    <gd:city>Panadura</gd:city>
    <gd:street></gd:street>
    <gd:region></gd:region>
    <gd:postcode></gd:postcode>
    <gd:country>Sri Lanka</gd:country>
    <gd:formattedAddress>
    </gd:formattedAddress>
  </gd:structuredPostalAddress>
</atom:entry>
```

1-20 The request body for Create Contact POST request

The response given by the server will be also in xml format. If the response being successfully validated and inserted the server will provide following respond to client application also in XML format

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Alternate-protocol: 443:quic
Content-length: 2270
X-xss-protection: 1; mode=block
X-content-type-options: nosniff
Transfer-encoding: chunked
Expires: Thu, 14 Apr 2016 16:52:30 GMT
Vary: Origin, X-Origin
Server: GSE
Etag: "QX0zeTVSLit7I2A9XRBTfkgIQAE."
Cache-control: private, max-age=0
Date: Thu, 14 Apr 2016 16:52:30 GMT
X-frame-options: SAMEORIGIN
Alt-svc: quic=":443"; ma=2592000; v="32,31,30,29,28,27,26,25"
Content-type: application/atom+xml; charset=UTF-8
-content-encoding: gzip

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<entry gd:etag=""QX0zeTVSLit7I2A9XRBTfkgIQAE."" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2005/Atom" xmlns:batch="http://sc
<id>http://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com/base/b22cdcb8cb8aec3</id>
<updated>2016-04-14T16:52:30.381Z</updated>
<app:edited xmlns:app="http://www.w3.org/2007/app">2016-04-14T16:52:30.381Z</app:edited>
<category scheme="http://schemas.google.com/g/2005#kind" term="http://schemas.google.com/contact/2008#contact"/>
<title>Elizabeth Bennet</title>
<content>Notes</content>
<link rel="http://schemas.google.com/contacts/2008/rel#photo" type="image/*" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/
<link rel="self" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com
<link rel="edit" type="application/atom+xml" href="https://www.google.com/m8/feeds/contacts/kalanags331%40gmail.com
```

1-21 The server response for POST request

2. WSO2 Connector

2.1.Enabled Connector

In this assignment we will be creating a connector for Google Contacts API using WSO2 Enterprise Service Bus and transfer the acquired data via proxy service which is implemented inside ESB itself to our client application, Postman. Therefore we have selected 'GetAllContacts' GET request to demonstrate the procedure. The sample output after creating the connector should appear like below image. In this report it describes the step by step procedure to complete above mentioned task from configuring the ESB.

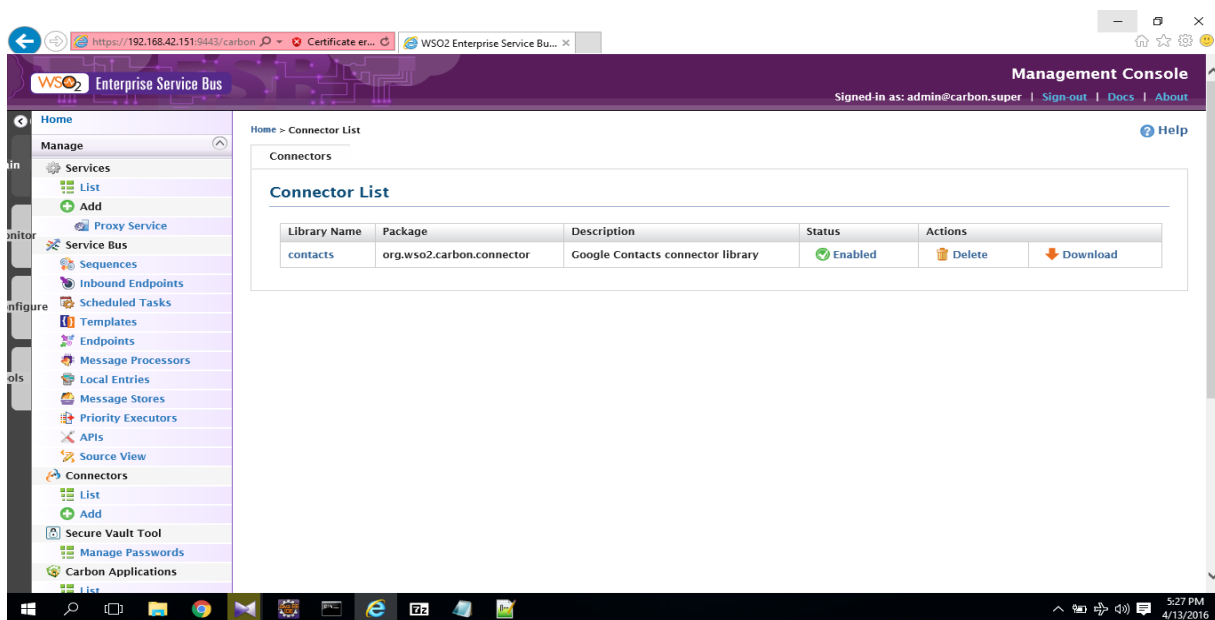


Figure 2.1.1 Enabled connector in WSO2 ESB

2.2.Creating Connector Screen Shots

1. Set java and maven home

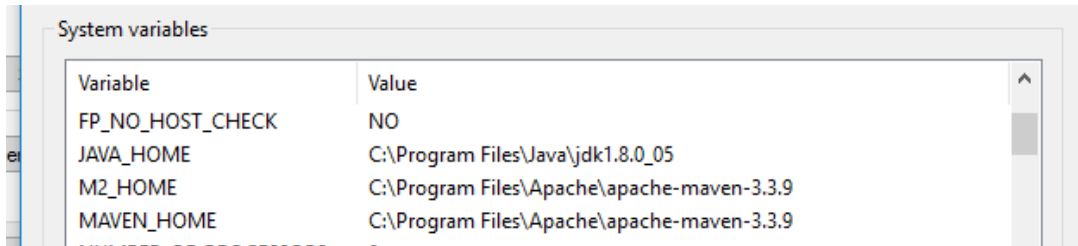


Figure 2.2.1 Set Maven and JDK paths

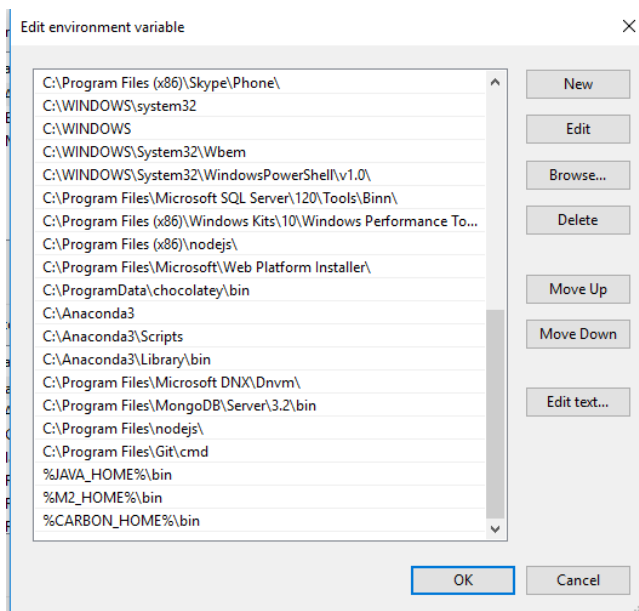


Figure 2.2.2 setting variable paths

2. Command to create a mavenarchitecture type project for wso2 ESB connector
**mvnarchetype:generate -DarchetypeGroupId=org.wso2.carbon -
DarchetypeArtifactId=org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connectors.connector-archetype -
DarchetypeVersion=4.2.0 -DgroupId=org.wso2.carbon.connector -
DartifactId=org.wso2.carbon.connector -Dversion=1.0.0**
 - Use connector name as “contacts”

- Enter Y to proceed

```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe

C:\Users\Research\Desktop\workspace>mvn archetype:generate -DarchetypeGroupId=org.wso2.carbon -DarchetypeArtifactId=org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connectors.connector-archetype -DarchetypeVersion=4.2.0 -DgroupId=org.wso2.carbon.connector -DartifactId=org.wso2.carbon.connector -Dversion=4.4.0
[INFO] Scanning for projects...
[INFO]
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Building Maven Stub Project (No POM) 1
[INFO] -----
[INFO]
[INFO] >>> maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) > generate-sources @ standalone-pom >>>
[INFO]
[INFO] <<< maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) < generate-sources @ standalone-pom <<<
[INFO]
[INFO] --- maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) @ standalone-pom ---
[INFO] Generating project in Interactive mode
[INFO] Archetype repository not defined. Using the one from [org.wso2.carbon:org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connector-archetype:4.4.0] found in catalog local
[INFO] Using property: groupId = org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Using property: artifactId = org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Using property: version = 4.4.0
[INFO] Using property: package = org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Define value for property 'connector_name': : contacts
[INFO] Confirm properties configuration:
[INFO] groupId: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] artifactId: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] version: 4.4.0
[INFO] package: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] connector_name: contacts
[INFO] Y: : Y
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Using following parameters for creating project from Archetype: org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connectors.connector-archetype:4.2.0
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Parameter: groupId, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: artifactId, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: version, Value: 4.4.0
[INFO] Parameter: package, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: packageInPathFormat, Value: org/wso2/carbon/connector
[INFO] Parameter: connector name, Value: contacts
[INFO] Parameter: package, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: version, Value: 4.4.0
[INFO] Parameter: groupId, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
```

Figure 2.2.3 Create Maven Project

3. Create google-contacts-1.0.0 in workspace
4. Move **org.wso2.carbon.connector** folder inside and rename and append 'contacts'
5. Create proxy and requests folders in the same folder level.
6. Inside **org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts** folder there is a pom.xml file. At this level right click with shift key pressed to get a command prompt. Then run the command `mvn clean install`.
7. Delete 'HelloWorld' sample in `org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts\src\main\resources` folder.
8. Copy `methods.csv` and `vcat_2.0a.jar` files to resource folder
9. Run "`java -jar vcat_2.0a.jar`" in a command from the resource folder.
 - give connector name as 'contacts'
 - Enter 'R' for REST
 - Enter 'J' for JSON

```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe

C:\Users\Research\Desktop\workspace>mvn archetype:generate -DarchetypeGroupId=org.wso2.carbon -DarchetypeArtifactId=org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connectors.connector-archetype -DarchetypeVersion=4.2.0 -DgroupId=org.wso2.carbon.connector -DartifactId=org.wso2.carbon.connector -Dversion=4.4.0
[INFO] Scanning for projects...
[INFO]
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Building Maven Stub Project (No POM) 1
[INFO] -----
[INFO]
[INFO] >>> maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) > generate-sources @ standalone-pom >>>
[INFO] <<< maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) < generate-sources @ standalone-pom <<<
[INFO]
[INFO] --- maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) @ standalone-pom ---
[INFO] Generating project in Interactive mode
[INFO] Archetype repository not defined. Using the one from [org.wso2.carbon:org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connector.s.connector-archetype:4.4.0] found in catalog local
[INFO] Using property: groupId = org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Using property: artifactId = org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Using property: version = 4.4.0
[INFO] Using property: package = org.wso2.carbon.connector
Define value for property 'connector_name': : contacts
Confirm properties configuration:
groupId: org.wso2.carbon.connector
artifactId: org.wso2.carbon.connector
version: 4.4.0
package: org.wso2.carbon.connector
connector_name: contacts
Y: : Y
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Using following parameters for creating project from Archetype: org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connectors.connector-archetype:4.2.0
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Parameter: groupId, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
```

Figure 2.2.4 Create connector

```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe

[INFO] >>> maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) > generate-sources @ standalone-pom >>>
[INFO] <<< maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) < generate-sources @ standalone-pom <<<
[INFO]
[INFO] --- maven-archetype-plugin:2.4:generate (default-cli) @ standalone-pom ---
[INFO] Generating project in Interactive mode
[INFO] Archetype repository not defined. Using the one from [org.wso2.carbon:org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connector.s.connector-archetype:4.4.0] found in catalog local
[INFO] Using property: groupId = org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Using property: artifactId = org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Using property: version = 4.4.0
[INFO] Using property: package = org.wso2.carbon.connector
Define value for property 'connector_name': : contacts
Confirm properties configuration:
groupId: org.wso2.carbon.connector
artifactId: org.wso2.carbon.connector
version: 4.4.0
package: org.wso2.carbon.connector
connector_name: contacts
Y: : Y
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Using following parameters for creating project from Archetype: org.wso2.carbon.mediation.library.connectors.connector-archetype:4.2.0
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Parameter: groupId, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: artifactId, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: version, Value: 4.4.0
[INFO] Parameter: package, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: packageInPathFormat, Value: org/wso2/carbon/connector
[INFO] Parameter: connector_name, Value: contacts
[INFO] Parameter: package, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: version, Value: 4.4.0
[INFO] Parameter: groupId, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] Parameter: artifactId, Value: org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] project created from Archetype in dir: C:\Users\Research\Desktop\workspace\org.wso2.carbon.connector
[INFO] -----
[INFO] BUILD SUCCESS
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Total time: 39.629 s
[INFO] Finished at: 2016-04-13T15:51:54+05:30
[INFO] Final Memory: 14M/177M
[INFO] -----
```

Figure 2.2.5 successfully created carbon connector

11. Remove methods.csv and vcat_2.0a.jar files from resource folder

12. Change connector.xml in resources as below

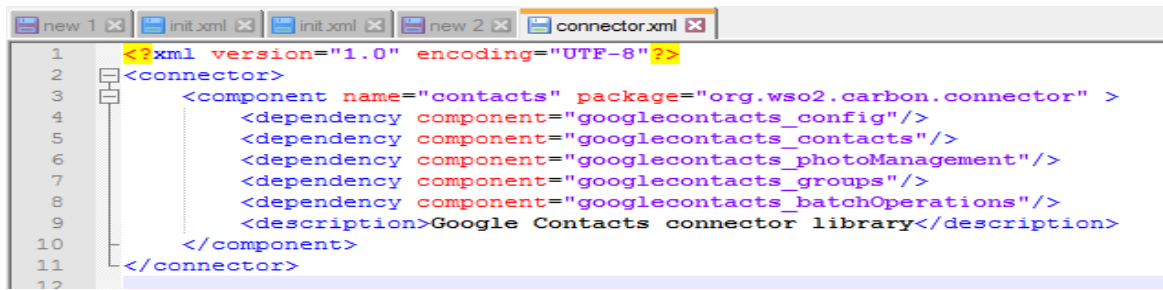


Figure 2.2.6 Change connector dependencies

13. Change [\\resources\googlecontacts_config\init.xml](#) as below

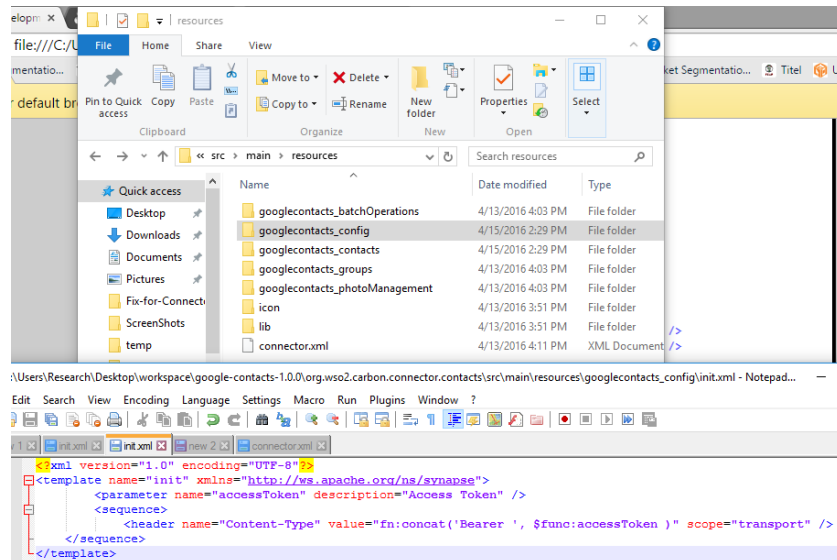


Figure 2.2.7 Change request structure in init.xml

14. Change [\\resources\googlecontacts_contacts\retrieveAllContacts.xml](#) as below



Figure 2.2.8 Initiate request method

15. Go back to pom.xml folder level and run 'mvn clean install' in a command prompt

```
[INFO] --- maven-install-plugin:2.4:install (default-install) @ org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts ---
[INFO] Installing C:\Users\Research\Desktop\workspace\google-contacts-1.0.0\org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts\target\or
g.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts-4.4.0.jar to C:\Users\Research\.m2\repository\org\wso2\carbon\connector\org.wso2.carbon
.connector.contacts\4.4.0\org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts-4.4.0.jar
[INFO] Installing C:\Users\Research\Desktop\workspace\google-contacts-1.0.0\org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts\pom.xml t
o C:\Users\Research\.m2\repository\org\wso2\carbon\connector\org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts\4.4.0\org.wso2.carbon.co
nector.contacts-4.4.0.pom
[INFO] Installing C:\Users\Research\Desktop\workspace\google-contacts-1.0.0\org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts\target\co
ntacts.zip to C:\Users\Research\.m2\repository\org\wso2\carbon\connector\org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts\4.4.0\org.ws
o2.carbon.connector.contacts-4.4.0.zip
[INFO]
[INFO] BUILD SUCCESS
[INFO]
[INFO] Total time: 37.778 s
[INFO] Finished at: 2016-04-13T17:19:02+05:30
[INFO] Final Memory: 33M/87M
[INFO]
C:\Users\Research\Desktop\workspace\google-contacts-1.0.0\org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts>
```

Figure 2.2.9 Build connector

16. Add Formatter and Builders in axis2.xml

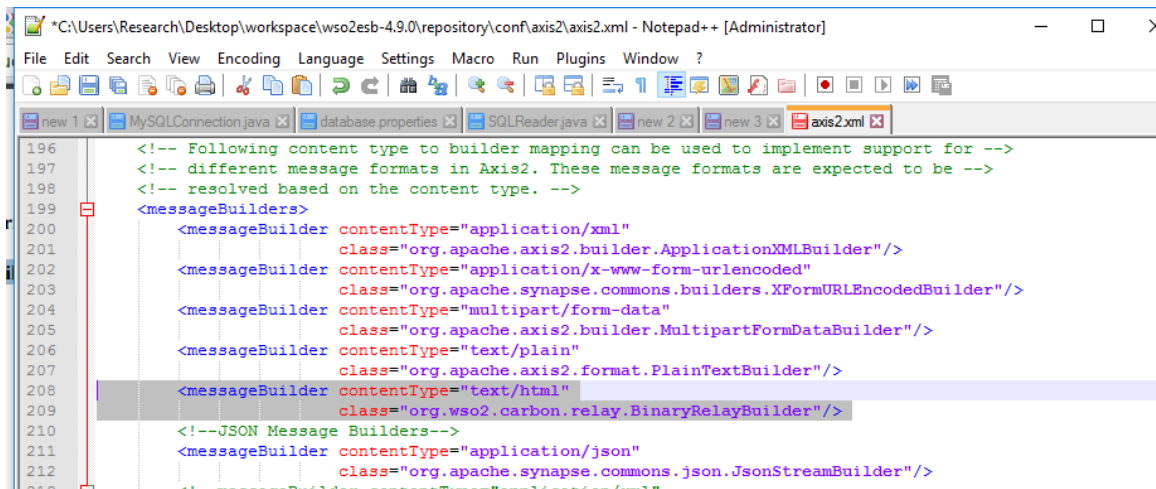
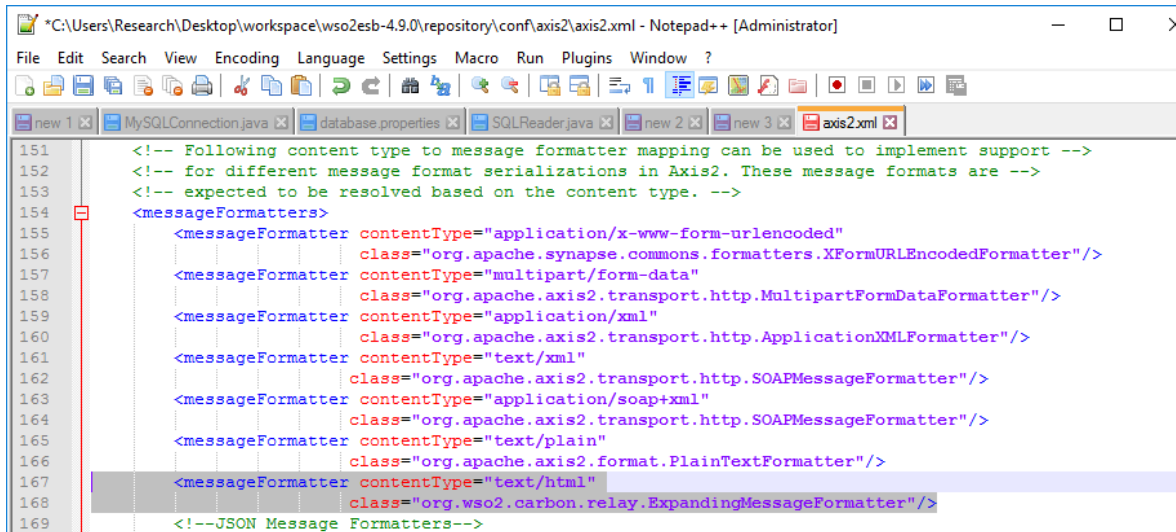


Figure 2.2.10 Initiate builders -1



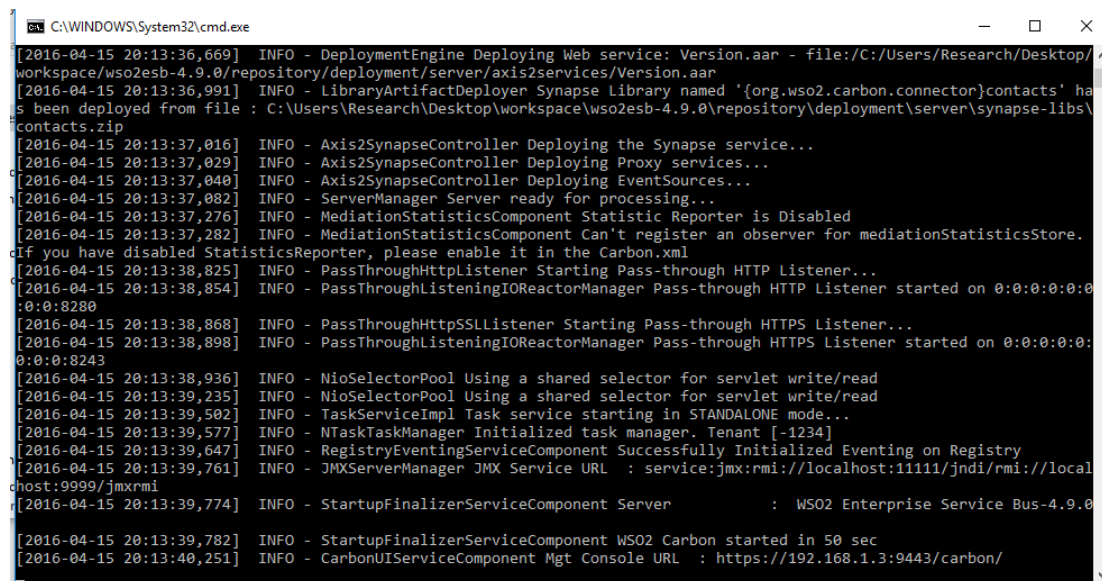
The screenshot shows a Notepad++ window with the file `axis2.xml` open. The file contains XML configuration for message formatters. The code is as follows:

```
151 <!-- Following content type to message formatter mapping can be used to implement support -->
152 <!-- for different message format serializations in Axis2. These message formats are -->
153 <!-- expected to be resolved based on the content type. -->
154 <messageFormatters>
155     <messageFormatter contentType="application/x-www-form-urlencoded"
156         class="org.apache.synapse.commons.formatters.XFormURLEncodedFormatter"/>
157     <messageFormatter contentType="multipart/form-data"
158         class="org.apache.axis2.transport.http.MultipartFormDataFormatter"/>
159     <messageFormatter contentType="application/xml"
160         class="org.apache.axis2.transport.http.ApplicationXMLFormatter"/>
161     <messageFormatter contentType="text/xml"
162         class="org.apache.axis2.transport.http.SOAPMessageFormatter"/>
163     <messageFormatter contentType="application/soap+xml"
164         class="org.apache.axis2.transport.http.SOAPMessageFormatter"/>
165     <messageFormatter contentType="text/plain"
166         class="org.apache.axis2.format.PlainTextFormatter"/>
167     <messageFormatter contentType="text/html"
168         class="org.wso2.carbon.relay.ExpandingMessageFormatter"/>
169 </messageFormatters>
```

Figure 2.2.11 Initiate Builders –II

- Once you have modified all above files you can save them and run the ESB

17. Start ESB server



The screenshot shows a Windows command prompt window with the following startup logs:

```
C:\WINDOWS\System32\cmd.exe
[2016-04-15 20:13:36,669] INFO - DeploymentEngine Deploying Web service: Version.aar - file:/C:/Users/Research/Desktop/
workspace/wso2esb-4.9.0/repository/deployment/server/axis2services/Version.aar
[2016-04-15 20:13:36,991] INFO - LibraryArtifactDeployer Synapse Library named '{org.wso2.carbon.connector}contacts' ha
s been deployed from file : C:\Users\Research\Desktop\workspace\wso2esb-4.9.0\repository\deployment\server\synapse-libs\
contacts.zip
[2016-04-15 20:13:37,016] INFO - Axis2SynapseController Deploying the Synapse service...
[2016-04-15 20:13:37,029] INFO - Axis2SynapseController Deploying Proxy services...
[2016-04-15 20:13:37,040] INFO - Axis2SynapseController Deploying EventSources...
[2016-04-15 20:13:37,082] INFO - ServerManager Server ready for processing...
[2016-04-15 20:13:37,276] INFO - MediationStatisticsComponent Statistic Reporter is Disabled
[2016-04-15 20:13:37,282] INFO - MediationStatisticsComponent Can't register an observer for mediationStatisticsStore.
if you have disabled StatisticsReporter, please enable it in the Carbon.xml
[2016-04-15 20:13:38,825] INFO - PassThroughHttpListener Starting Pass-through HTTP Listener...
[2016-04-15 20:13:38,854] INFO - PassThroughListeningIOReactorManager Pass-through HTTP Listener started on 0:0:0:0:0
:0:0:8280
[2016-04-15 20:13:38,868] INFO - PassThroughHttpSSLListener Starting Pass-through HTTPS Listener...
[2016-04-15 20:13:38,898] INFO - PassThroughListeningIOReactorManager Pass-through HTTPS Listener started on 0:0:0:0:0
:0:0:8243
[2016-04-15 20:13:38,936] INFO - NioSelectorPool Using a shared selector for servlet write/read
[2016-04-15 20:13:39,235] INFO - NioSelectorPool Using a shared selector for servlet write/read
[2016-04-15 20:13:39,502] INFO - TaskServiceImpl Task service starting in STANDALONE mode...
[2016-04-15 20:13:39,577] INFO - NTaskTaskManager Initialized task manager. Tenant [-1234]
[2016-04-15 20:13:39,647] INFO - RegistryEventingServiceComponent Successfully Initialized Eventing on Registry
[2016-04-15 20:13:39,761] INFO - JMXServerManager JMX Service URL : service:jmx:rmi://localhost:11111/jndi/rmi://local
host:9999/jmxrmi
[2016-04-15 20:13:39,774] INFO - StartupFinalizerServiceComponent Server : WS02 Enterprise Service Bus-4.9.0
[2016-04-15 20:13:39,782] INFO - StartupFinalizerServiceComponent WS02 Carbon started in 50 sec
[2016-04-15 20:13:40,251] INFO - CarbonUIServiceComponent Mgt Console URL : https://192.168.1.3:9443/carbon/
```

Figure 2.2.12 Start ESB Server to upload connector

18. .Enter username and password as 'admin'

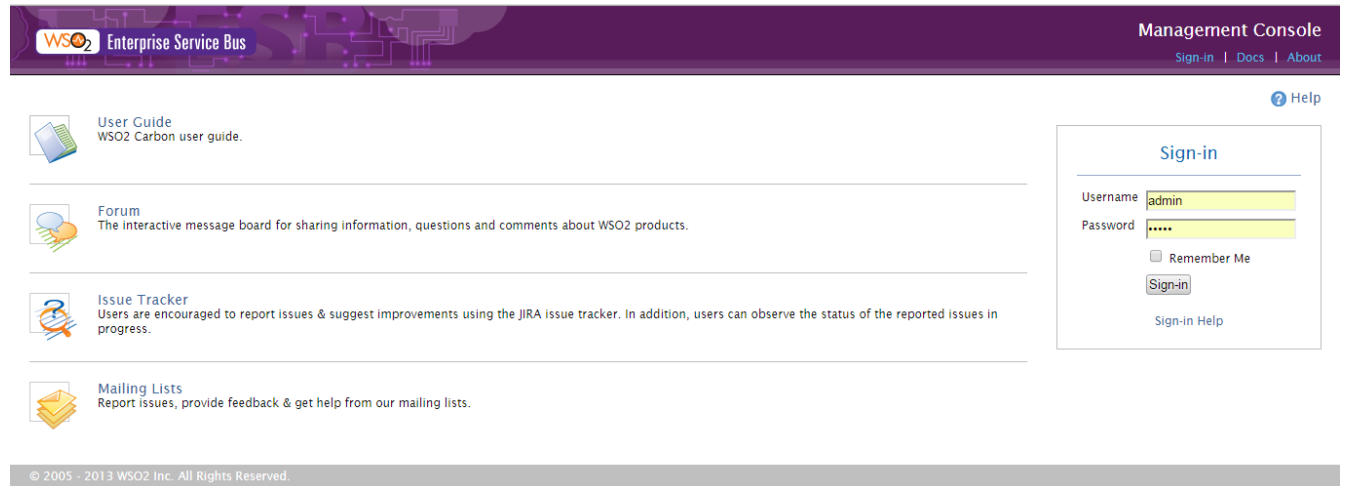


Figure 2.2.13 Sign in to ESB

Once the ESB is up and running visit the domain name displayed in above console (Figure 2.2.13). Then Sign In to ESB using above credentials. (password: admin)

Note: If the web page does not appear probably the Anti-virus software installed in your PC may be interrupting the process. Therefore disable it and restart the service.

19. Once you have logged in to add the connector upload the contacts.zip file generated in target folder from maven build
(\\workspace\\google-contacts-1.0.0\\org.wso2.carbon.connector.contacts\\target)

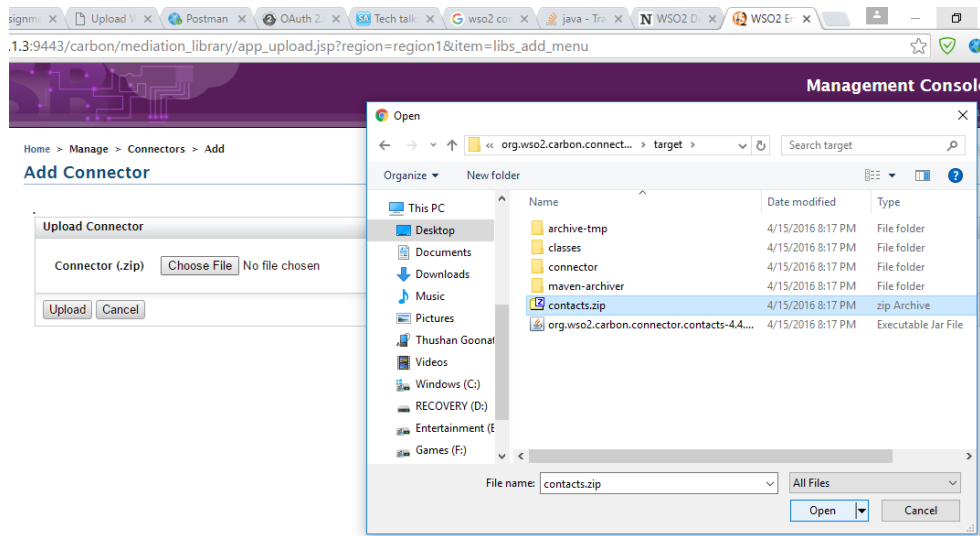


Figure 2.2.14 Upload connector

20. Enable the Connector

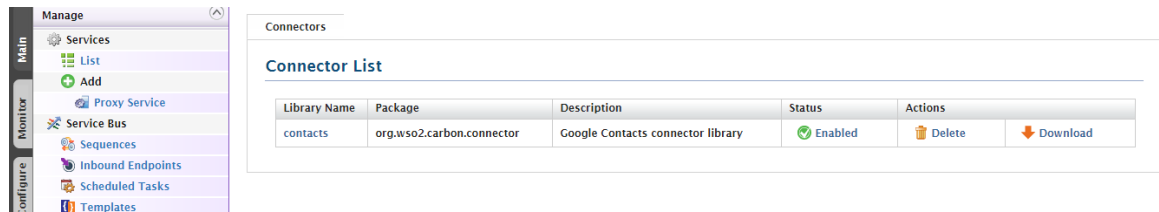


Figure 2.2.15 Enable Connector

21. Add a custom proxy template to get all contacts

Now the connector has been created, therefore we can extract information from Google Contact API. However we must have a proxy service to be implemented in order to transfer the acquired data from Google Contacts API to client application. This proxy will store the server response achieved by connector and forward it to the client application (Postman).

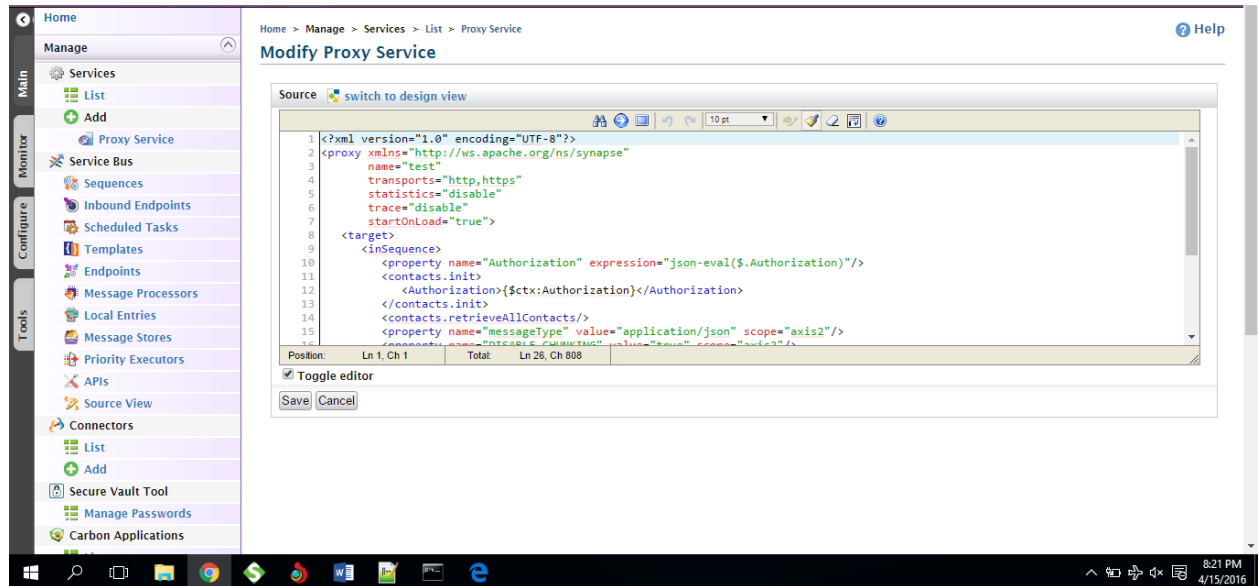


Figure 2.2.16 Implement proxy

22. GetAllContacts Proxy Service Created

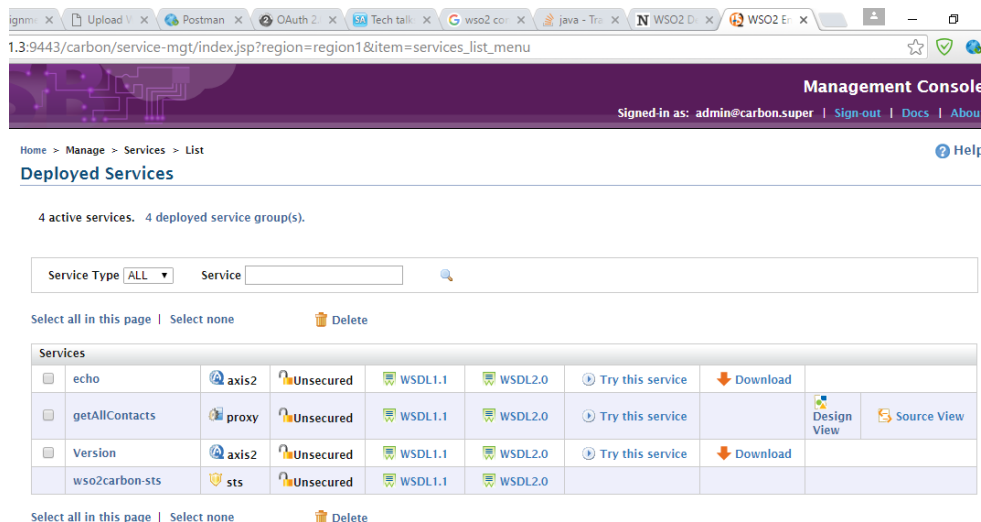


Figure 2.2.17 Proxy Created

23. Test Proxy and Connector

- Now we have to send GET request to the proxy service created at WSO2 ESB and it will contact connector. Then connector will send GET request to Google Contacts API and response back to connector. The connector will forward the response to proxy and finally proxy returns the response. In our case we have selected "GetAllContacts" GET request mentioned in API documentation and the results are shown below

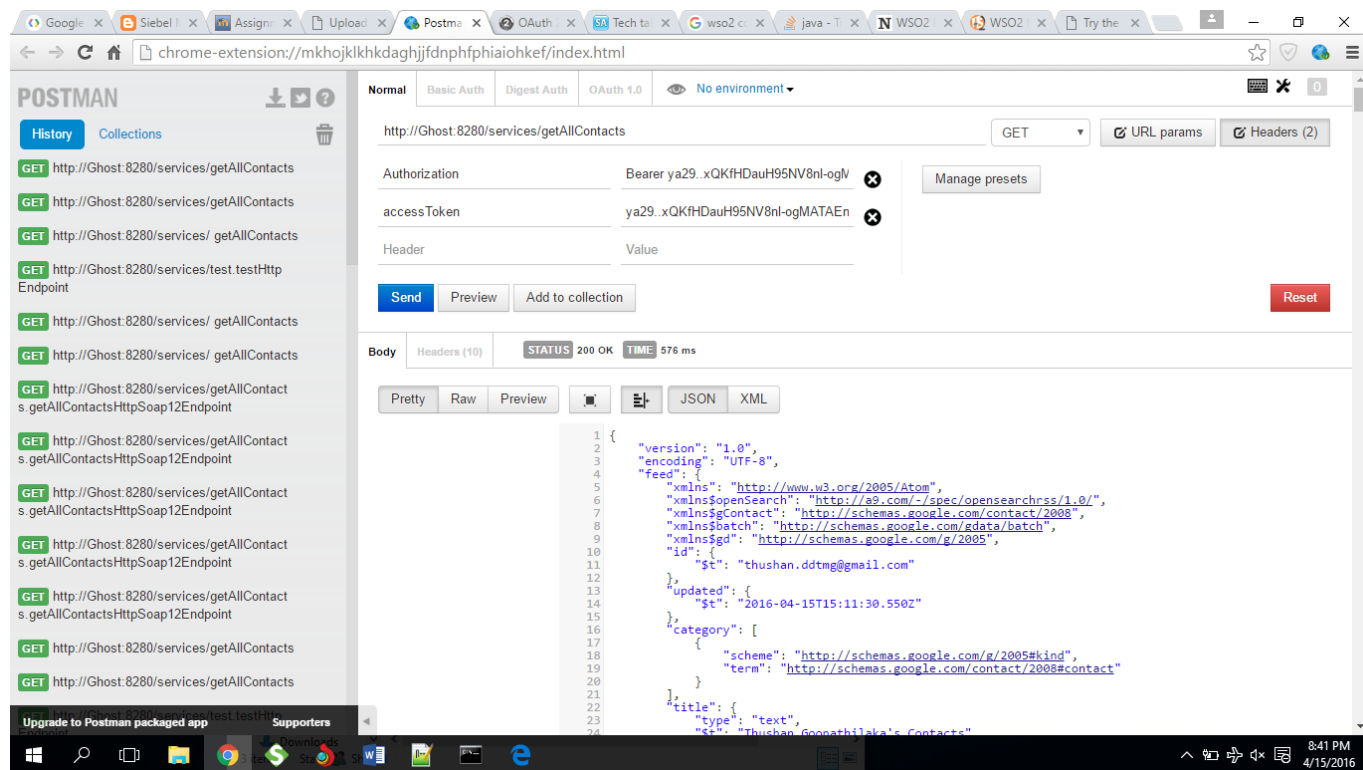


Figure 2.2.18 Response to Postman by WSO2 ESB

2.3 Additional References

- Access Token

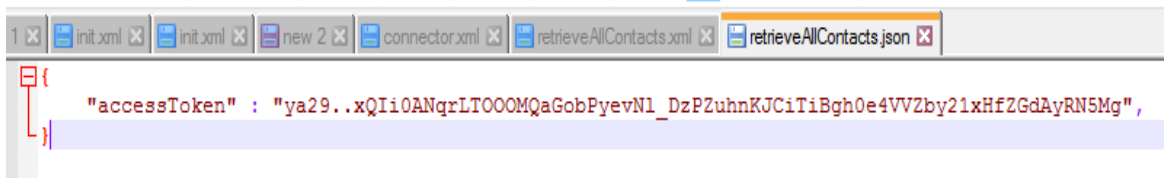


Figure 2.3.1 Access token given by API

- Sample Proxy Template

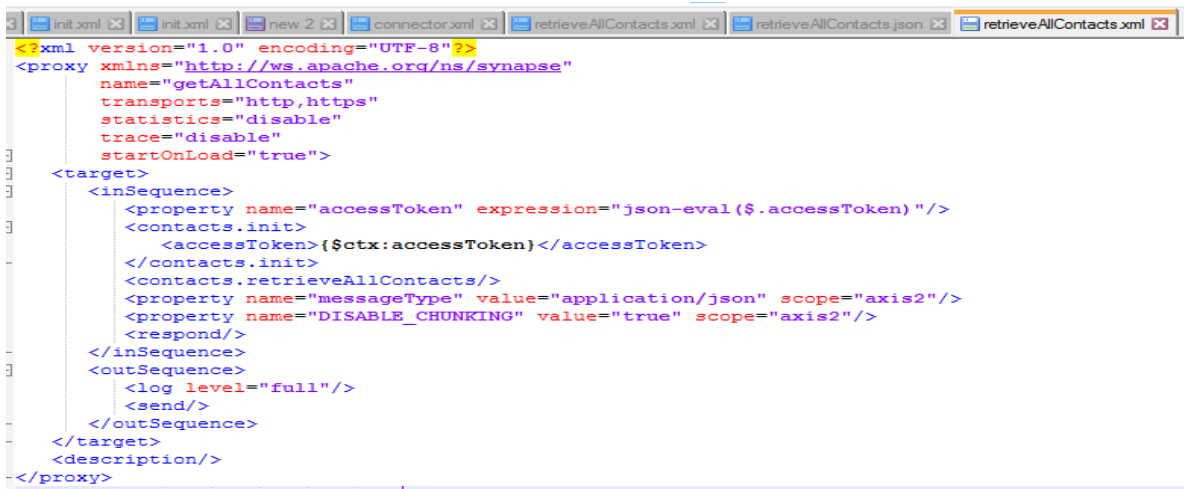


Figure 2.3.2 Sample proxy structure

2.3.1 Template Methods

- Init.xml

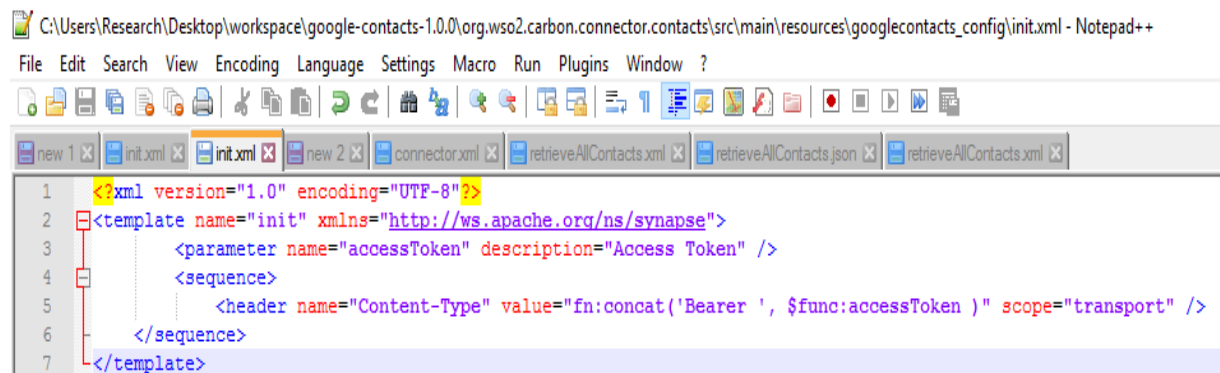


Figure 2.3.3 init.xml of the request

- retrieveAllContacts.xml

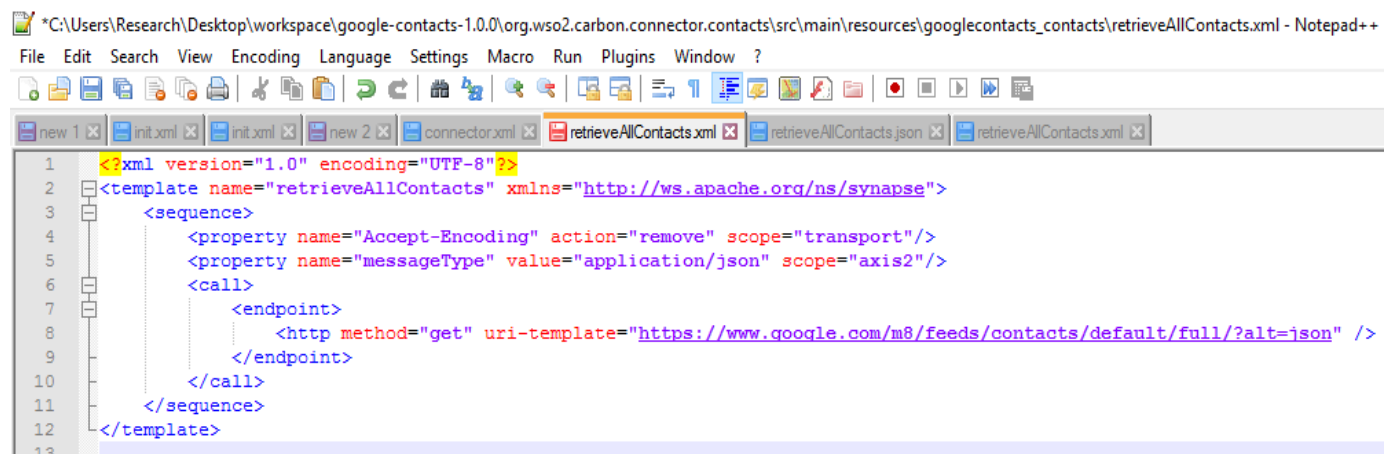


Figure 2.3.4.Http request body of GET method