

[OpenAz] Version 84 - openaz - partial sunxacml integration

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Hi All,

Version 84 is now current. There are some fixes that has the Request side fully operational now for String and Date attributes and has been tested with TestAzApi (low-level) and TestStyles (using pep api). Also I added the sunxacml sample xml files that are used for running the above and are in test/config, test/policy, and test/request. Otherwise there are no new files and the request attributes are handled in a new "internal impl" method:

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openaz.pdp.provider.SimpleConcreteSunXacmlService.getSunXacmlAttributeSet (AzEntity<T>)
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which produces a Set of sunxacml Attributes, given an openaz.azapi.AzEntity, which is a collection of AzAttributes. Note also that this module is still in "hack mode" where I am experimenting w the sunxacml capabilities to produce xml, which is not required for current operations. Note also the sunxacml response side is still not implemented, but should be in a couple of days.

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>> http://openaz.svn.sourceforge.net/viewvc/openaz/
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>> Last night I updated openaz w version 82 that begins the sunxacml
>> integration.
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>> It is going pretty smoothly and is about half-way thru the full cycle
>> of submitting a request and returning a response to an azapi client.
>> The integration strategy is proving to be more straight-forward than
>> I originally thought it would be. Essentially, the "integration" so
>> far is isolated to a single module in the pdp project, which uses the
>> sunxacml jar files in the pdp/lib project that Josh put there back at
>> the start of the project. The original dummy provider was called
>> SimpleConcreteService.
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>> * This is still there but has been renamed to
>>   SimpleConcrete*Dummy*Service and
>> * the sunxacml integration is done in a parallel module called
>>   SimpleConcrete*SunXacml*Service
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>> These modules implement AzService and contain the decide and query
>> methods.
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>> What has appeared to emerge as I have done this exercise is a fairly
>> simple conceptualization, which is as follows:
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>> * The azapi interfaces primarily collect all the attributes each
>>   with their xacml metadata (attributeId, issuer, category,
>>   xacmlDataType, assignedJavaValue)
>> * The "provider" simply operates on the underside of this
>>   interface, and all it needs to do is go thru all the attribute
>>   collections and pull the data it needs to submit the request in
>>   the format expected by the concrete PDP (in the case of
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>> sunxacml, this is a RequestCtx object with 4 sets of
>> "Attributes" in the sunxacml format, so what you do in the
>> decide method is go thru each azapi category, pull each
>> AzAttribute and assign the appropriate data to the
>> sunxacml.Attribute and AttributeValue and add each
>> Attribute/AttributeValue to a Set, then create the RequestCtx w
>> the 4 Sets as parameters)
>> * The concrete PDP will then return a response, and then you do
>> the reverse, which is to pull the data from the concrete
>> response and put it into the AzResponseContext.
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>> That's it. All of the above, at least the first 2 bullets, is in
>> openaz.pdp.provider.SimpleConcreteSunXacmlService. (the response is
>> still tbd, but should be straight-forward as well and is expected to
>> go in the same module)
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>> A couple additional points:
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>> * This should all work transparently with the azapi.pep package.
>> * The sunxacml direct path is just Java objects, no xml, however,
>> you can use the sunxacml impl to translate the azapi into a
>> XACML XML Request, and it can also generate an XACML XML
>> Response, so I think we will be able to use it w XML clients as
>> well, possibly w some JavaObjectMapper that could take the xml
>> input generate sunxacml RequestCtx and then use the RequestCtx
>> to drive the building of the AzRequestContext and submit to any
>> other AzApi front-ended PDP.
>> * It is beginning to look like all "providers" will need to do is
>> implement AzService and can use our own impls for all the
>> pieces of the AzRequestContext and AzResponseContext, which
>> should make uptake almost a trivial exercise once we have all
>> the kinks worked out.
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>> A final observation is that what this is really all boiling down to
>> is having a "standard structure" which can contain all the attributes
>> w their xacml metadata. Everything else is just writing to and
>> reading from this structure.
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