Android, iOS and Hybrid Applications

Mobile-Development

OVERVIEW

- Root Detection
- (Jailbreak Detection)
- Use a password to encrypt/decrypt user data
- Biometrics

ROOT DETECTION

- Use the official API
- SafetyNet
 - Obtain nonce
 - Send the check request
 - Validate the response

ROOT DETECTION

```
// The nonce should be at least 16 bytes in length.
// You must generate the value of API KEY in the Google APIs dashboard.
SafetyNet.getClient(this).attest(nonce, API KEY)
    .addOnSuccessListener(this,
        new OnSuccessListener<SafetyNetApi.AttestationResponse>() {
            @Override
            public void onSuccess(SafetyNetApi.AttestationResponse response) {
                // Indicates communication with the service was successful.
                // Use response.getJwsResult() to get the result data.
            }
        })
    .addOnFailureListener(this, new OnFailureListener() {
        @Override
        public void onFailure(@NonNull Exception e) {
            // An error occurred while communicating with the service.
            if (e instanceof ApiException) {
                // An error with the Google Play services API contains some
                // additional details.
                ApiException apiException = (ApiException) e;
                // You can retrieve the status code using the
                // apiException.getStatusCode() method.
            } else {
                // A different, unknown type of error occurred.
               Log.d(TAG, "Error: " + e.getMessage());
    });
```

ROOT DETECTION

- Use the nuget package for Xamarin Forms
- Implement it in the device specific project
- Think about what to do as a reaction if the device is rooted

JAILBREAK

- You can try or use a library...
- Cat & Mouse game
- This needs to be supported by the device manufacturer to be efficient

NOTES

- We are not going to focus on it
- We don't write any code for/about it
- But you should remember it for the written exam

QUESTIONS?

LOCAL PASSWORD AUTHENTICATION

Use a Key-Derivation-Function to convert the password

```
public byte[] GenerateKey(string passphrase)
  // Number of PBKDF2 hardening rounds to use. Larger values increase
  // computation time. You should select a value that causes computation
  // to take >100ms.
  int iterations = 5000;
  // Generate a 256-bit key
  int outputKeyLength = 256;
  SecretKeyFactory secretKeyFactory = SecretKeyFactory.GetInstance("PBKDF2WithHmacSHA1");
  IKeySpec keySpec = new PBEKeySpec(passphrase.ToCharArray(), _salt.Take(32).ToArray(),
iterations, outputKeyLength);
  ISecretKey secretKey = secretKeyFactory.GenerateSecret(keySpec);
  return secretKey.GetEncoded();
public static byte[] _salt = Encoding.UTF8.GetBytes("SuperSalt1234");
```

LOCAL PASSWORD AUTHENTICATION

Use the Cipher (Android) to en/decrypt

```
public byte[] Encrypt(byte[] input, byte[] key)
{
  var secretKey = new SecretKeySpec(key, "AES");
  var cipher = Cipher.GetInstance("AES");
  cipher.Init(CipherMode.EncryptMode, secretKey);

  // TODO: In production you should generate a random IV and store it somewhere.
  return cipher.DoFinal(input);
}
```

DEPENDENCY SERVICE

Use the Dependency Service to access it from Forms

```
// Android code
[assembly: Dependency(typeof(PasswordEncryptionService))]

// Shared code

var service = DependencyService.Get<IPasswordEncryptionService>();
var key = service.GenerateKey(Password);
```

QUESTIONS?

WALKTHROUGH

- Android Sample Password
- Implement your authentication screen
- We are going to store the username & password with biometrics afterwards

BIOMETRIC

- Advantages?
 - User tend to use weak PIN/Patterns for device locks
 - Super convenient
 - Very hard to crack if you don't know the owner

- Make sure you've an Emulator/Device with API 28+
- Set the Target Version of your Android project to API 28+

- Update the permissions
 - Open the AndroidManifest.xml
 - Add the "USE_BIOMETRIC" permission
 - It's a non sensitive permission (not like GPS for example)

```
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android" android:versionCode="1"
android:versionName="1.0" package="ch.hfu.todo">
    <!--use-sdk etc. -->
    <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.USE_BIOMETRIC" />
    <!-- application etc. -->
</manifest>
```

Create the interface in the shared project

```
public interface IBiometricAuthenticationService
{
  void Authenticate(Action success, Action<string> onError);
}
```

 Add a static reference to your Activity in the Android project MainActivity file

```
public class MainActivity : global::Xamarin.Forms.Platform.Android.FormsAppCompatActivity
{
   public MainActivity()
   {
      Activity = this;
   }
   public static Activity Activity { get; private set; }

   // EXCLUDED THE REST OF THE CODE FOR CLARITY
}
```

Add the implementation in the Android project

 Add the CancelClickListener inside the class we just created

Add the BiometricAuthenticationCallback inside the same class

```
public class BiometricAuthenticationService: IBiometricAuthenticationService
  // REMOVED CODE FOR CLARITY
  private class BiometricAuthenticationCallback : BiometricPrompt.AuthenticationCallback
    public BiometricAuthenticationCallback(Action callback, Action<string> onError)
      callback = callback;
      _onError = onError;
    public override void OnAuthenticationSucceeded(BiometricPrompt.AuthenticationResult result)
      _callback();
    public override void OnAuthenticationError([GeneratedEnum] BiometricErrorCode errorCode,
                                                                ICharSequence errString)
      _onError(errString.ToString());
    private readonly Action _callback;
    private readonly Action<string> _onError;
```

Query for biometric authentications somewhere:

```
private void AuthenticateWithBiometrics()
{
  var biometricService = DependencyService.Get<IBiometricAuthenticationService>();
  biometricService.Authenticate(() =>
  {
     // We are authenticated. Do something.
  },
  (error) =>
  {
     // Failed to authenticate
  });
}
```

BIOMETRIC TESTING - ANDROID

- On the Emulator click the three dots on the grey panel
- Open the "Fingerprint" menu on the left in the popup that opened
- On the Emulator go to Settings -> Security -> Fingerprint and setup a fingerprint
- To simulate a "finger touch" click "Touch the Screen" in the grey popup

QUESTIONS?

BIOMETRIC - ANDROID

- Walkthrough
- Implement a basic biometric authentication
- In the next step we're going to extend that example

- The previous method is not ideal
- It's not really secure that way
- Normally you want to protect sensitive data (username, password, key etc.)

Extend the interface

```
public interface IBiometricAuthenticationService
{
  void Encrypt(byte[] input, Action<byte[]> success, Action<string> error);
  void Decrypt(byte[] input, Action<byte[]> success, Action<string> error);
}
```

Add the BiometricCryptoHelper in the Android project

```
public class BiometricCryptoHelper()
{
   public BiometricCryptoHelper()
   {
        _keystore = KeyStore.GetInstance(KeyStoreName);
        _keystore.Load(null);

        // TODO For testing we delete the key on every restart.
        if (_keystore.ContainsAlias(KeyAlias))
        {
              _keystore.DeleteEntry(KeyAlias);
        }

        CreateKey();
   }

   public static byte[] IV { get; set; }

   private readonly KeyStore _keystore;
   private const string KeyStoreName = "AndroidKeyStore";
   private const string KeyAlias = "_todoKey";
}
```

Add the key creation logic

Initialise the Cipher

```
public class BiometricCryptoHelper
  // REMOVED CODE FOR CLARITY
 private Cipher CreateCipher(CipherMode mode)
    var key = _keystore.GetKey(KeyAlias, null);
var cipher = Cipher.GetInstance($"{KeyProperties.KeyAlgorithmAes}/{KeyProperties.BlockModeCbc}/
{KeyProperties.EncryptionPaddingPkcs7}");
      if (mode == CipherMode.DecryptMode)
        cipher.Init(mode, key, new IvParameterSpec(IV));
      else
        cipher.Init(mode, key);
    catch (KeyPermanentlyInvalidatedException ex)
      // TODO: The key was invalidated because the Biometric setup changed or a permanent lock out happened.
    return cipher;
```

Add the public method to create the CryptoObject

```
public class BiometricCryptoHelper
{
    // REMOVED CODE FOR CLARITY

    public BiometricPrompt.CryptoObject CreateCryptoObject(CipherMode mode)
    {
        var cipher = CreateCipher(mode);
        return new BiometricPrompt.CryptoObject(cipher);
    }
}
```

Adapt the implementation of the service

```
public class BiometricAuthenticationService: IBiometricAuthenticationService
  public void Encrypt(byte[] input, Action<byte[]> success, Action<string> error)
    var prompt = BuildPrompt();
    prompt.Authenticate(
      cryptoHelper.CreateCryptoObject(CipherMode.EncryptMode),
      new CancellationSignal(), MainActivity.Activity.MainExecutor,
      new BiometricEncryptionCallback(input, success, error));
  public void Decrypt(byte[] input, Action<byte[]> success, Action<string> error)
    var prompt = BuildPrompt();
    prompt.Authenticate(
      _cryptoHelper.CreateCryptoObject(CipherMode.DecryptMode),
      new CancellationSignal(), MainActivity.Activity.MainExecutor,
      new BiometricEncryptionCallback(input, success, error));
  private readonly BiometricCryptoHelper cryptoHelper = new BiometricCryptoHelper();
```

Extract the prompt

Update the Callback

```
private class BiometricEncryptionCallback : BiometricPrompt.AuthenticationCallback
  public BiometricEncryptionCallback(byte[] input, Action<byte[]> success, Action<string> error)
    _input = input;
    _success = success;
    _error = error;
  public override void OnAuthenticationSucceeded(BiometricPrompt.AuthenticationResult result)
    if (BiometricCryptoHelper.IV == null)
      BiometricCryptoHelper.IV = result.CryptoObject.Cipher.GetIV();
    _success(result.CryptoObject.Cipher.DoFinal(_input));
  public override void OnAuthenticationError([GeneratedEnum] BiometricErrorCode errorCode, ICharSequence errString)
    _error(errString.ToString());
  private readonly byte[] _input;
  private readonly Action<byte[]> _success;
  private readonly Action<string> _error;
```

Encrypt and Decrypt values

- Typical workflow (Low/Medium Security):
 - Authentication with username & password
 - If valid encrypt them with the Biometric Service
 - Store the encrypted values
 - Check if they are there on the next startup
 - Load and decrypt them with the Biometric Service
 - Login with the values

- There's an example for simple file handling
 - ▶ IFileService and the SimpleFileService
 - Extend them if you need to persist data
 - You can use Newtonsoft to convert from and to JSON

QUESTIONS?

- Walkthrough
- Extend your app with biometric login

ADDITIONAL TASKS

- Implement SafetyNet for you application
- Add an indirection to your secure storage
 - Think about how to gracefully fallback from Biometrics to Username/Password
 - Encrypt all the user-data that is generated/read with your app
 - Handle edge cases as Key-Invalidation e.g. fingerprint added