



Android, iOS and Hybrid Applications

Mobile-Development

RECAP/SCHEDULE

- ▶ Day 1: Intro/Setup/Navigation
- ▶ Day 2: MVVM/XAML for Forms/Bindings/Commands
- ▶ Day 3: Dialogs/Styling/IOC/Testing
- ▶ Day 4: Notifications (Local/Push)
- ▶ Day 5: Hybrid Apps/Messaging
- ▶ **Day 6: Security/Biometrics**
- ▶ "Projektwoche" (w/Fabrizio Niedda)
- ▶ Day 7: Local Databases/Logging/Crashes
- ▶ Day 8: Written Exam/Projects due (05.07.2021)
- ▶ Day 9: Project presentations (12.07.2021)

LESSON 6: AGENDA

- ▶ Android Root-detection
- ▶ iOS Jailbreak-detection
- ▶ Using a password to encrypt/decrypt user data
- ▶ Biometric authentication

ANDROID: ROOT-DETECTION

- ▶ Use the official API
- ▶ Follow Best Practices
- ▶ SafetyNet
 - ▶ Obtain nonce
 - ▶ Send the check request
 - ▶ Validate the response



ANDROID: ROOT-DETECTION

- ▶ Use the NuGet package for Xamarin Forms
 - ▶ [Xamarin.GooglePlayServices.SafetyNet](#)
- ▶ Implement it in the Android project
 - ▶ See the [official sample](#)
 - ▶ Not 100% up-to-date, but a good start
- ▶ Think about what to do as a reaction if the device is rooted



iOS JAILBREAK-DETECTION

- ▶ Cat & Mouse game
 - ▶ Not supported by Apple
 - ▶ Could be thwarted at any time
- ▶ Use a library?
 - ▶ BreachDetector (GitHub)
- ▶ Build your own?
 - ▶ Could be a time-sink

iOS JAILBREAK-DETECTION 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 later

BIOMETRICS: ADVANTAGES

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

BIOMETRIC SETUP – ANDROID

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



BIOMETRIC SETUP – ANDROID

- ▶ 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>
```



BIOMETRIC SETUP – ANDROID

- ▶ Create the interface in the **shared** project

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



BIOMETRIC SETUP – ANDROID

- ▶ 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
}
```



BIOMETRIC SETUP – ANDROID

- ▶ Add the implementation in the **Android** project

```
[assembly: Dependency(typeof(BiometricAuthenticationService))]  
namespace Todo.Droid.Security  
{  
    public class BiometricAuthenticationService : IBiometricAuthenticationService  
    {  
        public void Authenticate(Action success, Action<string> onError)  
        {  
            var builder = new BiometricPrompt.Builder(MainActivity.Activity)  
                .SetDescription("Authenticate with Biometrics!")  
                .SetTitle("TODO BIO")  
                .SetNegativeButton("Cancel", MainActivity.Activity.MainExecutor, new CancelClickListener())  
                .Build();  
  
            builder.Authenticate(new CancellationSignal(),  
                                MainActivity.Activity.MainExecutor,  
                                new BiometricAuthenticationCallback(success, onError));  
        }  
    }  
}
```



BIOMETRIC SETUP – ANDROID

- ▶ Add the CancelClickListener inside the class we just created

```
public class BiometricAuthenticationService : IBiometricAuthenticationService
{
    // REMOVED CODE FOR CLARITY

    private class CancelClickListener : Java.Lang.Object, IDialogInterfaceOnClickListener
    {
        public void OnClick(IDialogInterface dialog, int which)
        {
            // NOP
        }
    }
}
```



BIOMETRIC SETUP – ANDROID

- ▶ 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;
    }
}
```



BIOMETRIC SETUP – ANDROID

- ▶ 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



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

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



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

► 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);
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

- ▶ 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";
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

► Add the key creation logic

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

    private void CreateKey()
    {
        KeyGenerator keyGen = KeyGenerator.getInstance(KeyProperties.KeyAlgorithmAes,
KeyStoreName);
        KeyGenParameterSpec keyGenSpec =
            new KeyGenParameterSpec.Builder(KeyAlias, KeyStorePurpose.Encrypt |
KeyStorePurpose.Decrypt)
                .SetKeySize(256)
                .SetBlockModes(KeyProperties.BlockModeCbc)
                .SetEncryptionPaddings(KeyProperties.EncryptionPaddingPkcs7)
                .SetUserAuthenticationRequired(true)
                .Build();
        keyGen.Init(keyGenSpec);
        keyGen.GenerateKey();
    }
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

► Initialize 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}");

        try
        {
            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;
    }
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

- ▶ 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);
    }
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

► 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();
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

► Extract the prompt

```
public class BiometricAuthenticationService : IBiometricAuthenticationService
{
    // REMOVED CODE FOR CLARITY

    private BiometricPrompt BuildPrompt()
    {
        return new BiometricPrompt.Builder(MainActivity.Activity)
            .setDescription("Authenticate with Biometrics!")
            .setTitle("TODO BIO")
            .setNegativeButton("Cancel",
                            MainActivity.Activity.MainExecutor,
                            new CancelClickListener())
            .Build();
    }
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

► 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;
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

► Encrypt and Decrypt values

```
private void DecryptWithBiometric()
{
    var service = DependencyService.Get<IBiometricAuthenticationService>();
    service.Decrypt(
        Convert.FromBase64String(TextToEncrypt),
        (obj) => Output = Encoding.UTF8.GetString(obj),
        (obj) => Output = "An error occurred");
}

private void EncryptWithBiometric()
{
    var service = DependencyService.Get<IBiometricAuthenticationService>();
    service.Encrypt(
        Encoding.UTF8.GetBytes(TextToEncrypt),
        (obj) => Output = Convert.ToBase64String(obj),
        (obj) => Output = "An error occurred");
}
```



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

- ▶ 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*
 - ▶ Log in with the values



BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

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

QUESTIONS?

BIOMETRIC ENCRYPTION – ANDROID

- ▶ Walkthrough
- ▶ Extend your app with biometric login



ADDITIONAL TASKS

- ▶ Implement SafetyNet for your 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"