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Exercise - Account types in Microsoft identity

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This exercise will demonstrate the different account types that are used within the Microsoft identity platform.

① Note

This exercise demonstrates signing into a web application using two different accounts. These two accounts will come from two organizations, one of them being the organization where the Azure AD application is registered. Therefore, in order to complete the exercise, you'll need access to two user accounts in different Azure AD directories.

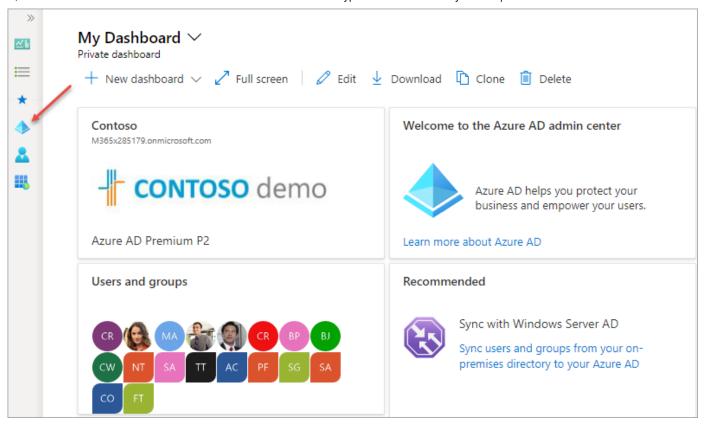
Create an application that only allows a single organization's users to sign in

In this first application, you'll create an Azure AD application and an ASP.NET Core web application that allows users from the current organization to sign in and display their information.

Create a single-tenant Azure AD application

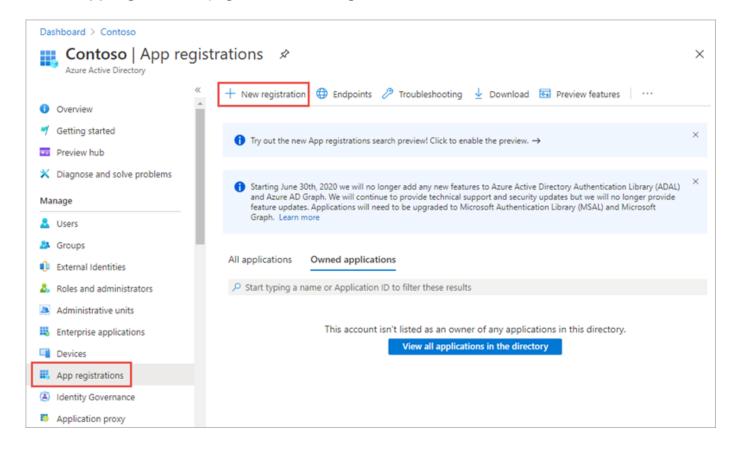
Open a browser and navigate to the Azure Active Directory admin center (https://aad.portal.azure.com) . Sign in using a **Work or School Account** that has global administrator rights to the tenancy.

Select Azure Active Directory in the left-hand navigation.



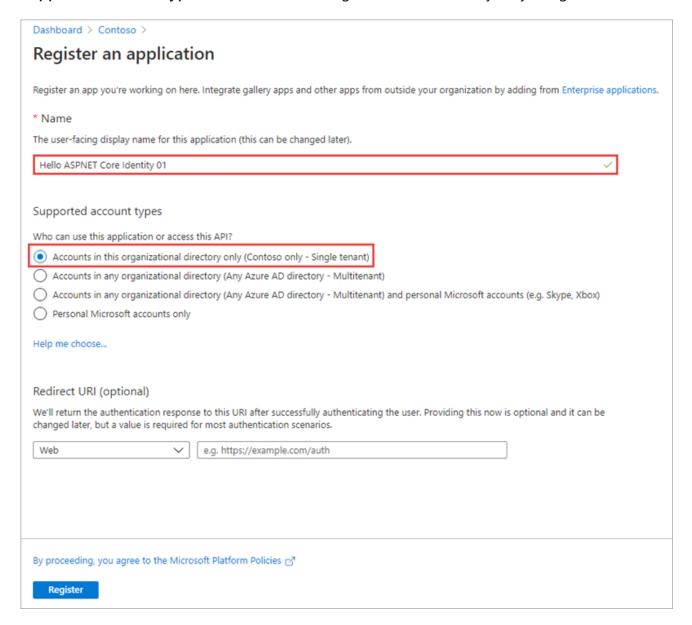
Select Manage > App registrations in the left-hand navigation.

On the **App registrations** page, select **New registration**.



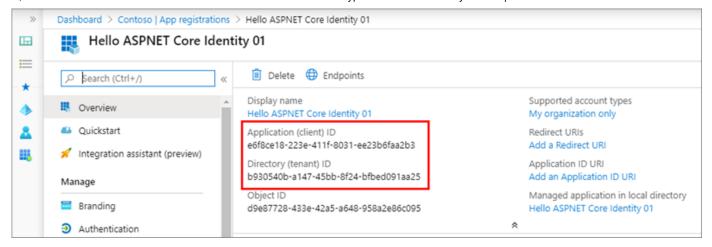
On the Register an application page, set the values as follows:

- Name: Hello ASPNET Core Identity 01
- Supported account types: Accounts in this organizational directory only (Single tenant)



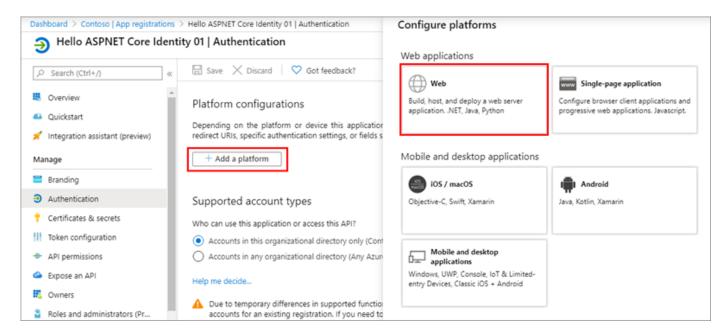
Select **Register** to create the application.

On the Hello ASPNET Core Identity 01 page, copy the values Application (client) ID and Directory (tenant) ID; you'll need these values later in this exercise.

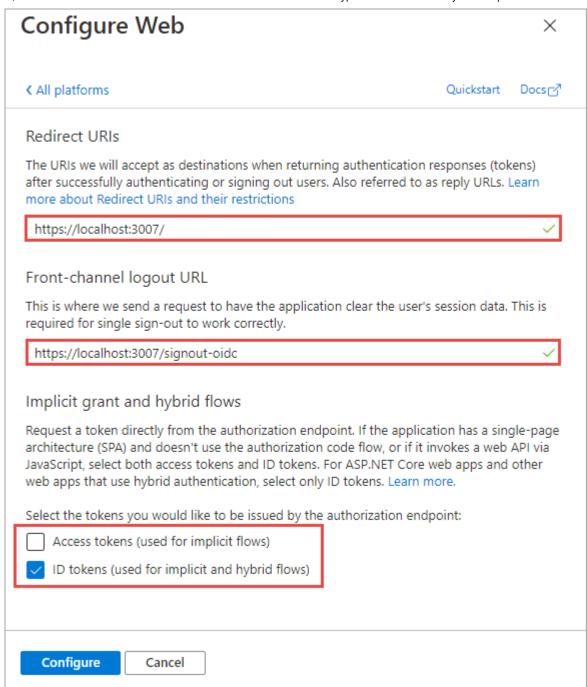


Select Manage > Authentication in the left-hand navigation.

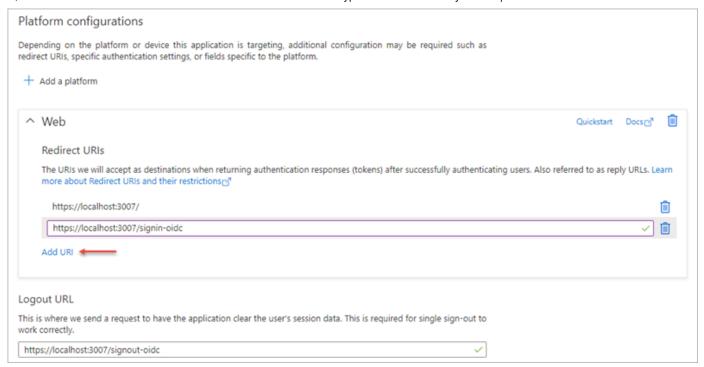
On the **Authentication** page, select **Add a platform**. When the **Configure platforms** panel appears, select **Web**.



In the Configure Web panel, add https://localhost:3007 under Redirect URIs, add https://localhost:3007/signout-oidc under Logout URL, select ID tokens (used for implicit and hybrid flows) under Implicit grant and hybrid flows, and select Configure.



When the **Authentication** page refreshes, select **Add URI**, add **https://localhost:3007/signin-oidc**, and select **Save** near the top of the page to save the changes.



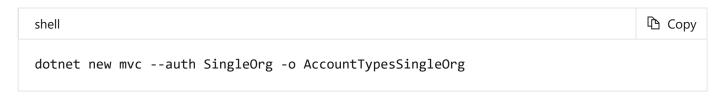
Create a single organization ASP.NET core web application

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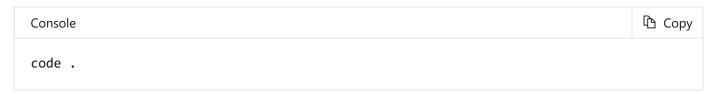
The instructions below assume you are using .NET 5. They were last tested using v5.0.202 of the .NET 5 SDK.

Open your command prompt, navigate to a directory where you want to save your work, create a new folder, and change directory into that folder.

Execute the following command to create a new ASP.NET Core MVC web application:



Open the application in Visual Studio Code using the following command:



If Visual Studio code displays a dialog box asking if you want to add required assets to the project, select **Yes**.

Configure the web application with the Azure AD application you created

Locate and open the ./appsettings.json file in the ASP.NET Core project.

Set the **AzureAd.Domain** property to the domain of your Azure AD tenant where you created the Azure AD application (*for example: contoso.onmicrosoft.com*).

Set the **AzureAd.TenantId** property to the **Directory (tenant) ID** you copied when creating the Azure AD application in the previous step.

Set the **AzureAd.ClientId** property to the **Application (client) ID** you copied when creating the Azure AD application in the previous step.

Update the web application's launch configuration

Locate and open the ./Properties/launchSettings.json file in the ASP.NET Core project.

Set the iisSettings.iisExpress.applicationUrl property to https://localhost:3007.

Set the iisSettings.iisExpress.sslPort property to 3007.

Update the user experience

Finally, update the user experience of the web application to display all the claims in the OpenID Connect ID token.

Locate and open the ./Views/Home/Index.cshtml file.

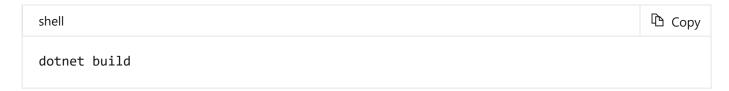
Add the following code to the end of the file:

Build and test the web app

Run the following command in a command prompt to ensure the developer certificate has been trusted:



Run the following command in a command prompt to compile the application:

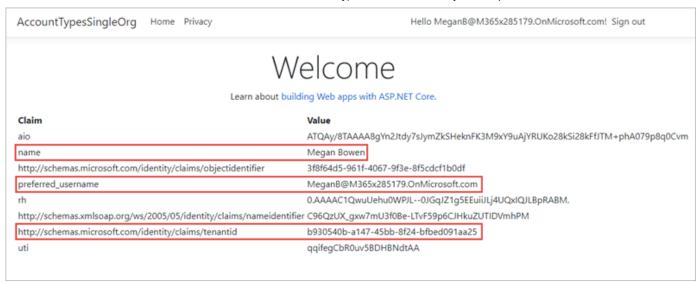


Run the following command to run the application:



Open a browser and navigate to the url https://localhost:5001. The web application will redirect you to the Azure AD sign in page.

Sign in using a Work and School account from your Azure AD directory. Azure AD will redirect you back to the web application.



Notice some of the details from the claims included in the ID token. Take special note of the **preferred_username** and **tenantid** claim. These claims indicate the ID of the Azure AD directory and ID of the user that signed in. Make a note of these values to compare them to the values displayed later in this exercise.

① Note

Optional claims may be added to the ID token. This is done using the **Token configuration** option in the Azure AD app registration.

Now try logging in as a user from a different organization. Select the **Sign out** link in the top left. Wait for Azure AD and the web application signs out the current user. When the web application reloads, repeat the sign in process, except this time try signing in as a user from a different organization or use a Microsoft Account.

Notice Azure AD will reject the user's sign in, explaining that the user's account doesn't exist in the current tenant.



Sign in

Sorry, but we're having trouble signing you in.

AADSTS50020: User account 'AlexW@robwindsortest985.onmicrosoft.com' from identity provider 'https://sts.windows.net/52ae9e18-6c14-4f39-8cf1-d6e4f403f96a/' does not exist in tenant 'Contoso' and cannot access the application '0124014c-b017-472c-94bf-625f8e6244df'(Hello ASPNET Core Identity 01) in that tenant. The account needs to be added as an external user in the tenant first. Sign out and sign in again with a different Azure Active Directory user account.

Stop the web server by pressing CTRL + c in the command prompt.

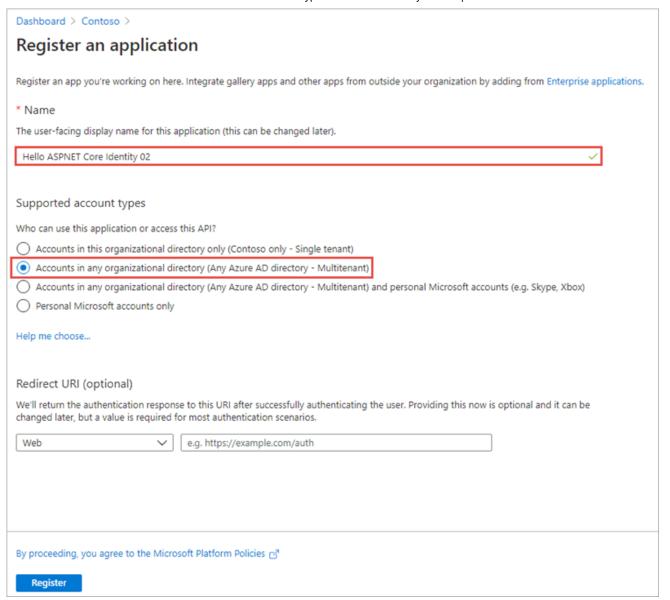
Create an application that allows any organization's users to sign in

In this second application, you'll create an Azure AD application and ASP.NET Core web application that allow users from any organization or Microsoft Accounts to sign in and display their information.

Create a multi-tenant Azure AD application

Create a second Azure AD application using the same process outlined previously in this exercise. However, when registering the new application, use the following values on the **Register an application** page:

- Name: Hello ASPNET Core Identity 02
- Supported account types: Accounts in any organizational directory only (Any Azure AD directory Multitenant)



Select **Register** to create the application.

Repeat the remaining steps to set the applications Redirect URIs, Logout URL, and Implicit grant settings to match the same values as the first Azure AD application.

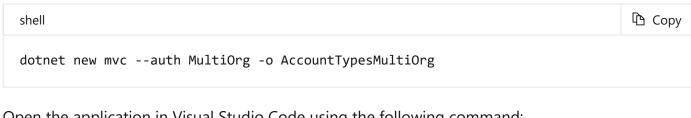
Create a multiple organization ASP.NET core web application

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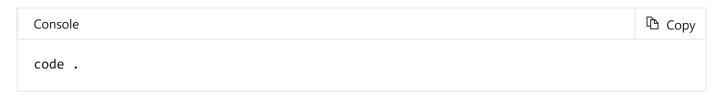
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Configure the web application with the Azure AD application you created

Locate and open the ./appsettings.json file in the ASP.NET Core project.

Set the AzureAd.ClientId property to the Application (client) ID you copied when creating the Azure AD application in the previous step.

Update the web application's launch configuration

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Set the iisSettings.iisExpress.applicationUrl property to https://localhost:3007.

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Update the user experience

Finally, update the user experience of the web application to display all the claims in the OpenID Connect ID token.

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Add the following code to the end of the file:

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Build and test the web app

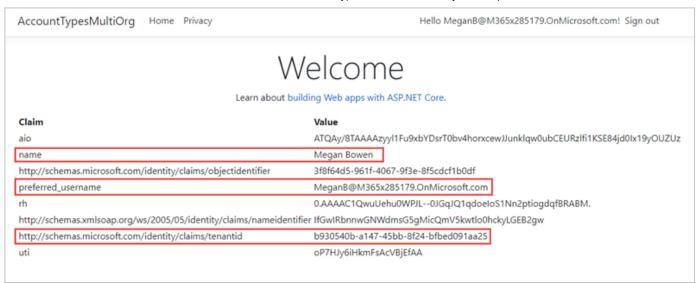
Execute the following command in a command prompt to compile and run the application:

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dotnet build
dotnet run
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Sign in using a Work and School account from your Azure AD directory. Azure AD will redirect you back to the web application.



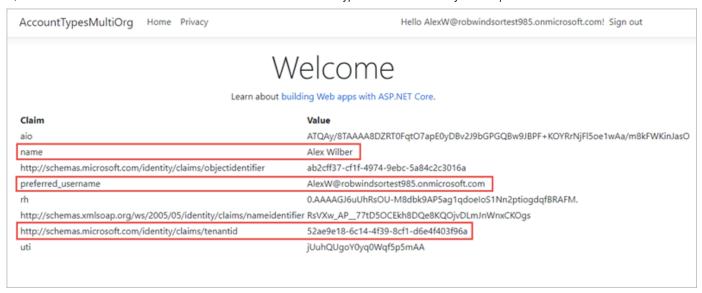
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Now try logging in as a user from a different organization. Select the **Sign out** link in the top left. Wait for Azure AD and the web application signs out the current user.

This time, the user is prompted to first trust the application:

Select Accept.

Notice the web application's page loads with different claims, specifically for the **preferred_username** and **tenantid** claim. This indicates the user is not from the current directory where the Azure AD application is registered:



Stop the web server by pressing CTRL + c in the command prompt.

Summary

In this exercise, you learned how to create different types of Azure AD applications and use an ASP.NET Core application to support the different sign in options that support different types of accounts.

Test your knowledge

- 1. What is the primary difference between single tenant apps and multi-tenant apps?
 - Single tenant apps reserve the name of the app across all Azure AD
 - O directories, while the name of multi-tenant apps can be used in multiple Azure AD directories.
 - Single tenant apps can only be used in one tenant while multi-tenant apps can be copied into multiple Azure AD directories.
 - Single tenant apps allow only users from the app's directory to sign in,
 - O while multi-tenant apps support users multiple tenants to sign in and use the app.
- 2. What is the key difference between an application and a service principal?
 - Application objects exist in the directory where the application is
 - oreated, where service principal objects exist in each Azure AD tenant

where the application is used.

- Application objects are templates that exist in every directory where an application is used. They're used to create service principals that can be customized in each directory.
 - Service principals exist in the directory where the application is created,
- O where application objects exist in each Azure AD tenant where the application is used.

Check your answers