

Service Principals(Password) Based Authentication for automated applications in Azure with Azure Key Vault.

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1. Set up Service Principle using the steps listed in the following link which is used to Authenticate all Azure ML Services

[MachineLearningNotebooks/authentication-in-azureml.ipynb at master · Azure/MachineLearningNotebooks · GitHub](#)

2. Set up Azure Key Vault to store all sensitive Information and Secrets(sensitive info) to the Vault Using below link

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/key-vault/secrets/quick-create-portal>

Additionally to Assign policy of access(Giving Key Vault Access to any user, group, resource etc.)

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/key-vault/general/assign-access-policy-portal>

Links To Authenticate keyvault from a python program

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/machine-learning/how-to-use-managed-identities?tabs=python>

[Azure Identity client library for Python | Microsoft Docs](#)

3. Create a Compute Resource on Which our Pipeline will be Executed.
To Authenticate from a Azure ML Pipeline or any other automated ml service ,Create the service/resource with a managed Identity and azure key vault access must be given to that managed identity in order to access any key vaults if necessary.
 - Create a compute instance with managed identity.
Link : <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/machine-learning/how-to-create-attach-compute-studio#managed-identity>
 - Give this Managed identity access to converse with Azure key Vault.
Link : <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/key-vault/general/assign-access-policy-portal>
4. On that Compute instance you can use Azure ml Python SDK Package to authenticate and Use any AzureML Service in conjunction with azure vault to hide any sensitive data from the code. Below is a code snippet for the same.

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# installing any necessary packages
import os
os.system(f"pip install azure-keyvault")
print("Testing Started !!!")

# ***** Azure Key Vault Authentication Start ***** #
from azure.identity import DefaultAzureCredential
from azure.keyvault.secrets import SecretClient

# Authenticate Azure Key Vault
credential = DefaultAzureCredential()
keyVaultName = os.environ["KEY_VAULT_NAME"]
KVUri = f"https://{keyVaultName}.vault.azure.net"
Secret_client = SecretClient(vault_url= KVUri, credential=credential)

# ***** Azure Key Vault Authentication End***** #

# ***** Service Principle Based Authentication using Azure Key Vault Fetch Start ***** #
#print(f"Your secret is '{Secret.value}'.")
from azureml.core import Workspace, Dataset
from azureml.core.authentication import ServicePrincipalAuthentication

svc_pr = ServicePrincipalAuthentication(
    tenant_id=Secret_client.get_secret("tenant-id").value,
    service_principal_id=Secret_client.get_secret("service-principal-id").value,
    service_principal_password=Secret_client.get_secret("service-principal-password").value)

subscription_id = Secret_client.get_secret("subscription-id").value
resource_group = Secret_client.get_secret("resource-group").value
workspace_name = Secret_client.get_secret("workspace-name").value

ws = Workspace(
    subscription_id=subscription_id,
    resource_group=resource_group,
    workspace_name=workspace_name,
    auth=svc_pr
)
print("Found workspace {} at location {}".format(ws.name, ws.location))
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# ***** Service Principle Based Authentication using Azure Key Vault Fetch End ***** #

# ***** Downloading Sample Code Repository and running services Start***** #
dataset = Dataset.get_by_name(workspace, name='test_code')
dataset.download(target_path='.', overwrite=False)

import main
main.print_hi("Test run Successfully Ended !!!")
# ***** Downloading Sample Code Repository and running services End***** #
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New Python Libraries Required :

azure-keyvault-secrets==4.3.0