
Step by step for using AAD for SOA job

Prerequisite

Enable HPC Pack AAD integration. See [Manage an HPC Pack cluster in Azure using Azure Active Directory](#).

Use AAD Identity in HPC Echo Service

You can validate SOA AAD integration by starting EchoClient using an AAD identity as below:

1. Connect to HPC Pack 2016 Update 1 head node which enabled AAD integration.
2. Start command prompt.
3. Run following command:
EchoClient -useAad
4. Login with AAD user account which is assigned HpcUsers or HpcAdminMirror role in prerequisite step if needed.
5. A SOA job named "CcpEchoSvc – WCF service" owned by the AAD user is started.
6. You can also pass user name and password of AAD account into EchoClient in a non-interactive manner using:
EchoClient -useAad -username <UserName> -password <Password>

Use AAD Identity in Customized HPC SOA client

When implementing an HPC Client which intends to create SOA session under AAD identity, you need to construct a `SessionStartInfo` class and set `SessionStartInfo.UseAad` to true. This will prompt an interactive login window when a user start this SOA client with no AAD token cached in local. If `SessionStartInfo.Username` and `SessionStartInfo.Password` is also set, then login will be performed in a non-interactive way. Like following code snippet:

```
SessionStartInfo info = new SessionStartInfo(headnode, serviceName);  
// Set UseAad to true to do authentication using AAD identity  
info.UseAad = true;  
// Set username and password to perform non-interactive authentication  
info.Username = username;  
info.Password = password;
```

Similarly, if you want to attach a session created under AAD identity in your client, set `SessionAttachInfo.UseAad` to true. Also set `SessionAttachInfo.Username` and `SessionAttachInfo.Password` if you need non-interactive authentication.

To read more about creating SOA service and client, see [Write your first SOA service and client](#). You can download latest HPC Pack 2016 SDK from [nuget](#).