

JavaBean/Backing Bean

Fetch NSF User Access/ACL, Hide/Show Controls

Xpages

System Requirements:

Download Domino Designer 8.5.2 Environment (DDE)

<http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/downloads/ls/dominodesigner/>

Introduction:

Use prior Login JavaBean and Xpages samples as guide, build a connection to a Lotus Notes Domino Database located on C Drive using previous information (LoginBean.SQL.java, xpnavlinks.xsp).

Supply the Xpage the logged-in system/user ACL and other security access information. Hide/show link control(s) on the Xpages form at will...

Disclaimer:

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Copy and Paste Xpages link control Code

At this point we assume Domino Designer 8.5.2 is downloaded/installed, you've looked at the LoginBeanSQL class, and you added a link control to your xpnavlinks.xsp. Copy and paste below code samples to your environment, areas of interest have been highlighted for your convenience.

xpnavlinks.xsp

```
<xp:link escape="true" id="link1"
rendered="#{javascript:LoginBeanSQL.ACLAccessOkay()}" text="ACL Access"
value="/xpaclaccesscheck.xsp" style="color:rgb(0,128,128)"
target="colours"></xp:link>
```

```
<xp:link escape="true" id="link1"
rendered="#{javascript:LoginBeanSQL.SecurityAccessOkay()}" text="Security
Access" value="/xpsecurityaccesscheck.xsp" style="color:rgb(0,128,128)"
target="colours"></xp:link>
```

Copy and Paste Boolean Methods

Call below methods from LoginBeanSQL.java class, add these Boolean methods as new methods within the LoginBeanSQL.java class. You can also write a new class to do this and include the methods there. Copy and paste below code samples to your environment, reference highlighted portions.

ACLAccessOkay(); | SecurityAccessOkay();

declarations, getters and setters...

```
//declare boolean variables for searching
private boolean ACLAccessOkay;
private boolean SecurityAccessOkay;
//declare acl level variable, User attributes
private String UserAttr;

/**
 * @return the aCLAccessOkay
 */
public boolean isACLAccessOkay() {
    return ACLAccessOkay;
}
/**
 * @param accessOkay the aCLAccessOkay to set
 */
public void setACLAccessOkay(boolean accessOkay) {
    ACLAccessOkay = accessOkay;
}

/**
 * @return the securityAccessOkay
 */
public boolean isSecurityAccessOkay() {
    return SecurityAccessOkay;
}
/**
 * @param securityAccessOkay the securityAccessOkay to set
 */
public void setSecurityAccessOkay(boolean securityAccessOkay) {
    SecurityAccessOkay = securityAccessOkay;
}

/**
 * @return the userAttr
 */
public String getUserAttr() {
    return UserAttr;
}
/**
 * @param userAttr the userAttr to set
 */
public void setUserAttr(String userAttr) {
    UserAttr = userAttr;
}

/**
 * Method: ACLAccessOkay()
 * Created from Copy: 2012.08.26.4.14.AM
 * ACL Access Boolean for Xpages Controls (Hide/Show)
 *
 */
```

```

// links control, items on form vanish if Security access is 0
// for ACL LLevel access to in NSF back-end
public boolean ACLAccessOkay() {
    //TO DO: Give Anonymous ACL Level Manager for this to work
    //you can set this up under Advanced Tab in Access Control
    //2012.08.26.1.55.AM
    try {
        //get the current database being used
        Database database= (Database) FacesContext.getCurrentInstance()
            .getApplication().getVariableResolver()
            .resolveVariable(FacesContext.getCurrentInstance(), "database");
        //add debug messages
        System.out.println("Checking Database for ACL: "+ database);
        //...
        //initialize user ACL
        ACL UserAcl = database.getACL();
        //declare variables to hold ACL Level
        String AclLevel = null;
        //...
        int intLevel = UserAcl.getInternetLevel();
        //pick off user expected ACL
        //load to variable and compare
        if (intLevel < ACL.LEVEL_DESIGNER)
            UserAcl.setInternetLevel(intLevel + 1);
        UserAcl.save();
        switch (UserAcl.getInternetLevel()) {
            case ACL.LEVEL_NOACCESS:
                AclLevel = "no"; break;
            case ACL.LEVEL_DEPOSITOR:
                AclLevel = "depositor"; break;
            case ACL.LEVEL_READER:
                AclLevel = "reader"; break;
            case ACL.LEVEL_AUTHOR:
                AclLevel = "author"; break;
            case ACL.LEVEL_EDITOR:
                AclLevel = "editor"; break;
            case ACL.LEVEL_DESIGNER:
                AclLevel = "designer"; break;
            case ACL.LEVEL_MANAGER:
                AclLevel = "manager"; break; }
        //load results to variable
        //use in if statement, return true
        UserAttr= AclLevel.toString();
        System.out.println("User is a "+ UserAttr + " in this db...");
        //...
    } catch (NotesException e) {
        //print this error to the server
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
    //find out if the ACL is of Level manager
    //in which case user should be able to see/edit control(s)
    if(this.UserAttr != "manager")
        //DO NOT give user ability to update field if a NOT manager
        //Disable this field at once on the Xpage

    //TO DO: Play around with images at this point, load from URL
    //especially if using the link control, add an image
    //user can click images/icons for add/edit/delete docs through Xpages
    return true;
}

```

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        //let user edit field at will, user is a manger,
        //this field should not be disabled
        return false;
    }
}
/**

 * Method: SecurityAccessOkay()
 * Created: 2012.08.26.2.08.AM
 * Security Access Boolean for Xpages Controls (Hide/Show)
 *
 */
// links control, items on form vanish if Security access is 0
// for viewaccess, updateaccess, addaccess, and deleteaccess in NSF back-end
public boolean SecurityAccessOkay() {
    // let's add a try catch here, to grab errors near the end
    try {
        Document doc;
        //BEGIN DEBUG
        Database database = (Database) FacesContext.getCurrentInstance()
            .getApplication().getVariableResolver().resolveVariable(
                FacesContext.getCurrentInstance(), "database");
        System.out.println("Database Obtained..." + database);
        // Find the view in question
        View view = database.getView("SecurityAccessView");
        System.out.println("View Obtained..." + view);
        //initialize doc collection for searching
        //TO DO: Add adding code to read updateaccess, addaccess, and
        deleteaccess in NSF back-end
        DocumentCollection dc =view.getAllDocumentsByKey("ViewAccess",
true);//
        System.out.println("Collection Obtained..." + dc);

        dc = database.FTSearch("Yes");
        //Get first Document from current view
        doc = (Document) dc.getFirstDocument();
        System.out.println("All systems are go, looping..." + dc);
        // Create a while loop to process the document in the View
        while (dc!=null) {
            //add more code here, do stuff
            System.out.println("Results are in..." + dc);
            //Let user see field/control on Xpages
            return true;
        }
    } catch (Exception e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
    //User should NOT see field/control on Xpages
    return false;
}
}

```

Added information

Call methods from a button using below.

```

//...
//load ACL access level
ACLAccessOkay();
//load security access from security table
SecurityAccessOkay();

```

Create Form/View to house secure documents

Secured documents should be created either on separate servers or the current. These documents should be restricted to Admin users ONLY. Create a form and a view with field names stated below. Set Datatype on all fields as Text.

FormName

SecurityAscess

UserID

RoleID

ViewAccess

AddAccess

UpdateAccess

DeleteAccess

ViewName

SecurityAccessView

UserID

RoleID

ViewAccess

AddAccess

UpdateAccess

DeleteAccess

Screenshot

| UserID | RoleID | ViewAccess | AddAccess | UpdateAccess | DeleteAccess | DateCreated |
|-------------|--------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|------------------------|
| username101 | Admin | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 08/18/2012 10:18:46 PM |
| username102 | User | Yes | Yes | No | No | 08/18/2012 10:14:02 PM |

WARNING:

Restrict column visibility using formula code, put Anonymous in the role of Admin role through the ACL. Respectively, grant more explicit groups identical access when deploying to actual Notes Servers. We will skip additional measures on the subject for the time being, Anonymous should do just fine for our Local (http://localhost or http://127.0.0.1) Server.

Conclusion:

You can now retrieve ACL level access and other security access information collected/stored restricted in secured (Admin ONLY) documents; allowing show/hide controls on Xpages forms based on these level of access or security access permissions set forth.

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