



# OAuth 2.0 Incremental Auth

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# Recap: Incremental Auth Problem Statement



Asking for the kitchen sink of scopes up-front is a bad thing.

Users should have the *context* of the authorization request.













E.g. Granting a calendar scope only makes sense in the context of interacting with a calendar-related feature.



Hi Bill

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Google OAuth 2.0 Playground wants to

-  View and manage the files in your Google Drive 
-  Manage your Blogger account 
-  Send email on your behalf 
-  Manage your contacts 
-  Manage your calendars 
-  Manage your YouTube account 

Allow Google OAuth 2.0 Playground to do this?

By clicking Allow, you allow this app to use your information in accordance to their terms of service and privacy policies. You can remove this or any other app connected to your account in [My Account](#)

# Incremental Auth Definition



The ability to request additional scopes in subsequent requests resulting in a single authorization grant representing all scopes granted so far.

# Typical Implementation



Consent screen should only display new scopes (or display new/existing scopes differently).

Single refresh token issued for the union of all granted scopes.

# De-facto Incremental Auth for Confidential Clients



OAuth 2.0 doesn't stop you returning an authorization grant with *\*more\** scope, so many people have implemented this already for confidential clients.

# Public Client Protocol “Appcremental”

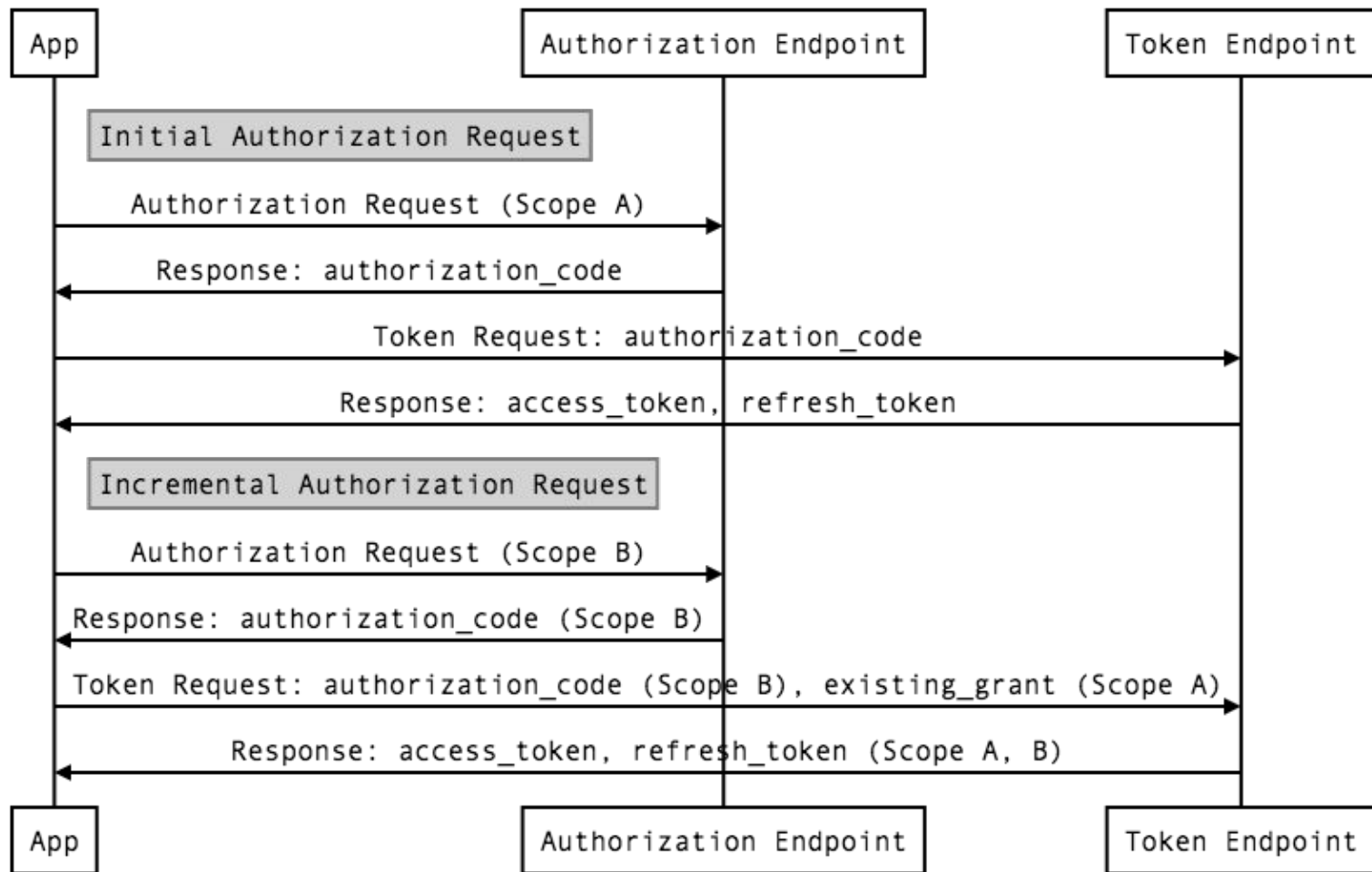


New token endpoint param: `existing_grant`.

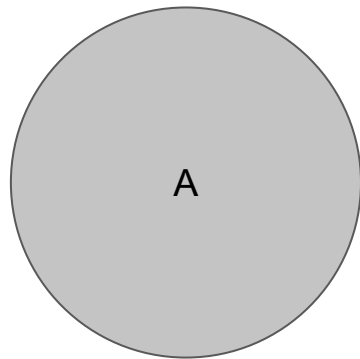
When exchanging the authorization code from subsequent (i.e. incremental) requests, pass the previous refresh token in `existing_grant`.

Resulting access and refresh tokens will contain a union of the scope.

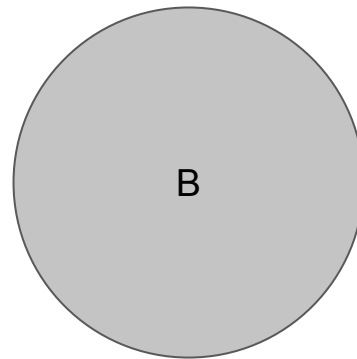
# Incremental Auth for Native Apps



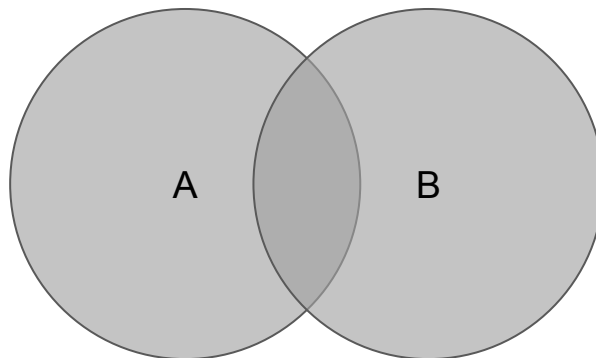




Grant A



Grant B



Combined Grant  $A \cup B$

# OAuth 2.0 Incremental Auth Running Code



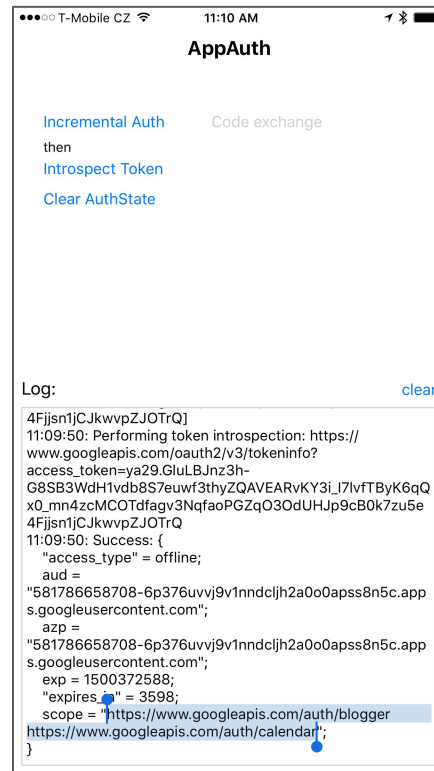
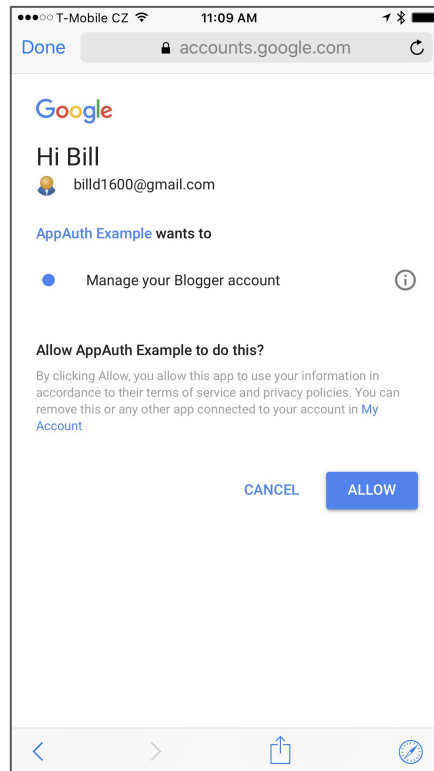
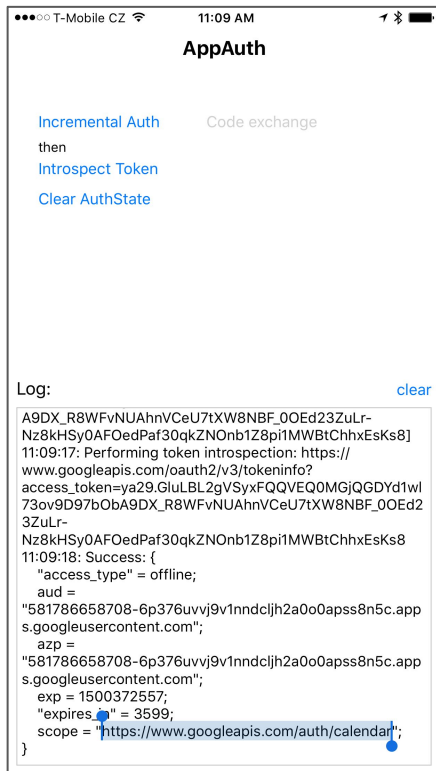
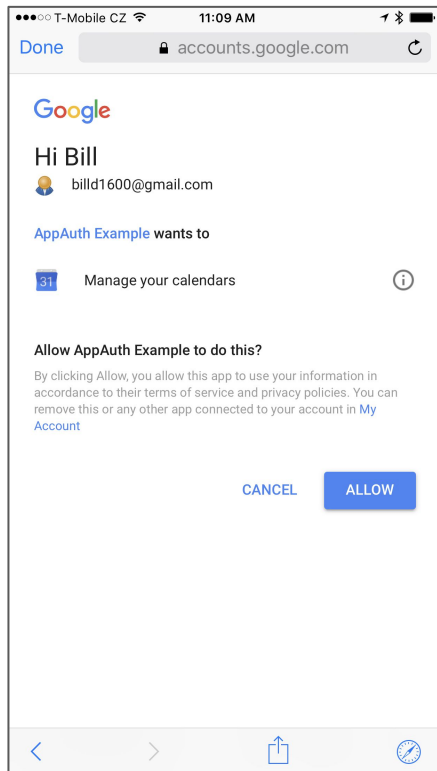
Google's OAuth server already supports incremental auth for public clients, as defined in this spec.

Try out my proof of concept:

<https://github.com/>

[WilliamDenniss/AppAuth-iOS/tree/appcremental](https://github.com/WilliamDenniss/AppAuth-iOS/tree/appcremental)

# Demo



<https://youtu.be/SPSCW4NUooU>

# Confidential Client Specification Details



Documents best practices, security considerations, and:

New authorization endpoint parameter

`include_granted_scopes`.

# Updates since IETF 99



Sections added:

- Security Considerations
- Privacy Considerations
- Usability Considerations
- Alternative Approaches

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