Advanced Member Mgmt in Plone 2.5 (and beyond)

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Zope started with Weak, Puny Users

Old style user folders and the users they produced had a very limited API

New behavior generally meant a new user folder

Many different user folder implementations; lack of consistency

Enter: The Member!

PROS:

- A place to put data
- Hide the user folder mess from CMF / Plone

CONS (of the original implementation):

- Not very DRY (i.e. "Don't Repeat Yourself")
- Hard to scale
- Wrapping the user adds complexity in CMF, where it doesn't belong

CMFMember

PROS:

- Less R-ing of Y
- Scales more easily
- Opens up lots of new possibilities

CONS:

- Grew into CMFMonster
- Wrapping is even *more* complex
- Doesn't work with PAS



PluggableAuthService

One User Folder to bind them

Strong, adaptable users

Puts user related complexity in a better place

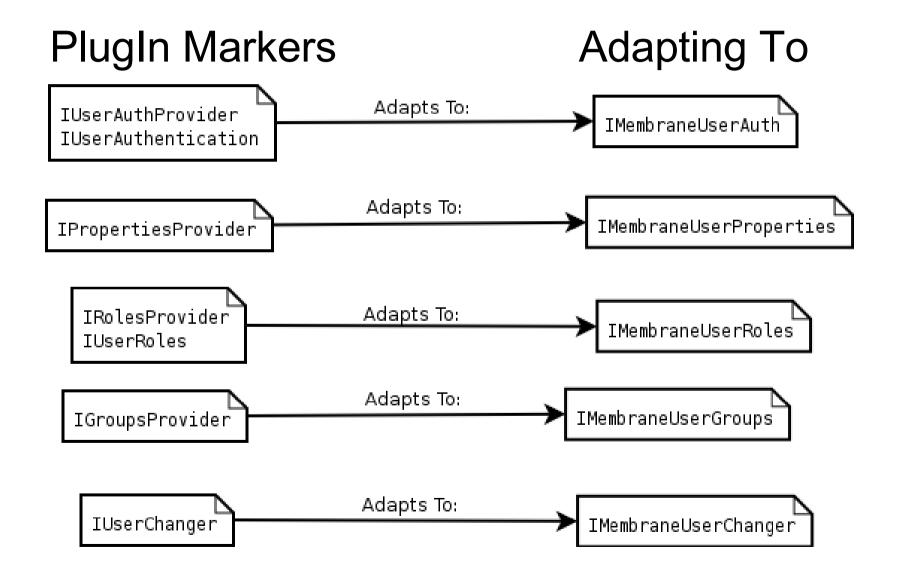
Membrane

"Content as Member" turned inside out

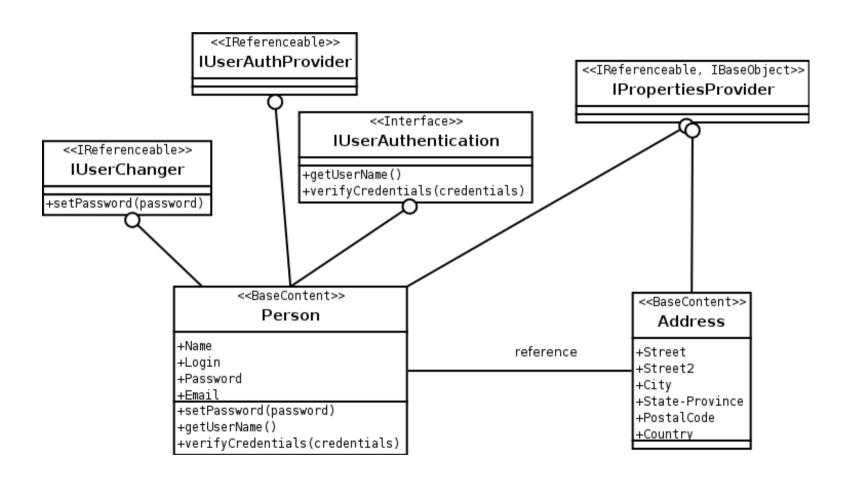
Very flexible

No need to manage the wrapping complexity

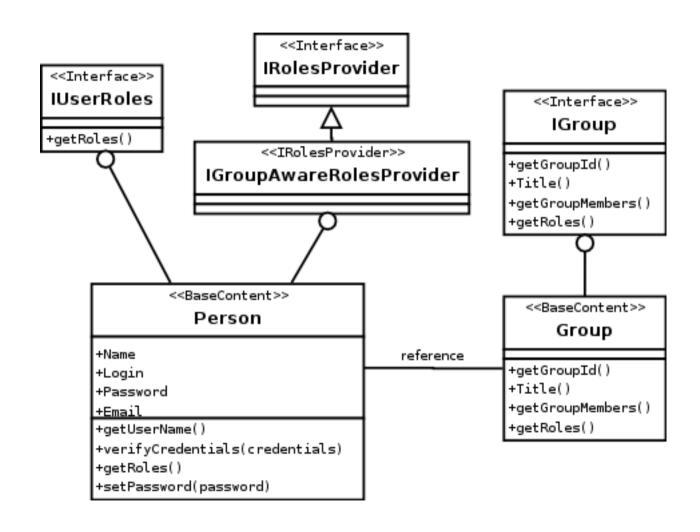
How Membrane Works



Membrane Properties Example



Membrane Groups/Roles Example



Remember: The Do-Over

Just like CMFMember, but 50% leaner, considerably more flexible

Provides migration path from CMFMember

First beta release Real Soon NowTM

Remember: What's left?

Tool for migration from default Plone members -> remember-based members

Improve support for heterogeneous member environments (i.e. remember-based and non-remember-based)

Misc bug fixes

B-ORG (Base Org)

Departments, Employees, and Projects

Based on membrane types and a custom local roles plug-in

Great "Getting started with membrane" product

TeamSpace

Teams, TeamMemberships, TeamSpaces

Works with remember

Needs to be updated to take better advantage of membrane (local roles plug-in, code clean-up)



Exit: The Member!

Zope's users are no longer weak and puny

Death to wrapUser!

Merge PlonePAS into Plone and PAS

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