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## **Chapter 1: Introduction**

This section provides an overview of the Micro Focus Dynamics Connector.

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## **Dynamics Connector**

Dynamics Connector is an IDOL connector that retrieves information from Microsoft Dynamics. You can use the connector to keep your IDOL Server up-to-date with the information in Microsoft Dynamics.

## **Features and Capabilities**

The Dynamics Connector retrieves information from Microsoft Dynamics.

Repository

Microsoft Dynamics, either on-premise or online (hosted). The connector requires the OData 4.0 API. This is currently available in:

Dynamics CRM 2016

Data the connector can retrieve

The connector retrieves information from Microsoft Dynamics and creates documents based on a specification that you define. Micro Focus recommends that the connector is configured by a Dynamics administrator who is familiar with your data.

retrieve

**Data the connector cannot** Due to an API limitation, the connector cannot retrieve information from collections that are only accessible as members of other collections.

## **Supported Actions**

The Dynamics Connector supports the following actions:

Action	Supported	Further Information
Synchronize	<b>✓</b>	Use the Connector, on page 43
Synchronize (identifiers)	X	

Synchronize Groups	✓
Collect	X
Identifiers	X
Insert	X
Delete/Remove	X
Hold/ReleaseHold	X
Update	X
Stub	X
GetURI	X
View	X

## **Connector Framework Server**

Connector Framework Server (CFS) processes the information that is retrieved by connectors, and then indexes the information into IDOL.

A single CFS can process information from any number of connectors. For example, a CFS might process files retrieved by a File System Connector, web pages retrieved by a Web Connector, and e-mail messages retrieved by an Exchange Connector.

To use the Dynamics Connector to index documents into IDOL Server, you must have a CFS. When you install the Dynamics Connector, you can choose to install a CFS or point the connector to an existing CFS.

For information about how to configure and use Connector Framework Server, refer to the *Connector Framework Server Administration Guide*.

#### Filter Documents and Extract Subfiles

The documents that are sent by connectors to CFS contain only metadata extracted from the repository, such as the location of a file or record that the connector has retrieved. CFS uses KeyView to extract the file content and file specific metadata from over 1000 different file types, and adds this information to the documents. This allows IDOL to extract meaning from the information contained in the repository, without needing to process the information in its native format.

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CFS also uses KeyView to extract and process sub-files. Sub-files are files that are contained within other files. For example, an e-mail message might contain attachments that you want to index, or a Microsoft Word document might contain embedded objects.

## **Manipulate and Enrich Documents**

CFS provides features to manipulate and enrich documents before they are indexed into IDOL. For example, you can:

- · add additional fields to a document.
- divide long documents into multiple sections.
- run tasks including Eduction, Optical Character Recognition, or Face Recognition, and add the information that is obtained to the document.
- run a custom Lua script to modify a document.

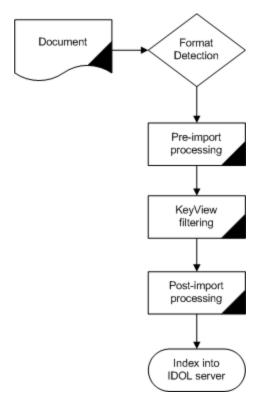
#### **Index Documents**

After CFS finishes processing documents, it automatically indexes them into one or more indexes. CFS can index documents into:

- **IDOL Server** (or send them to a *Distributed Index Handler*, so that they can be distributed across multiple IDOL servers).
- Vertica.

## **Import Process**

This section describes the import process for new files that are added to IDOL through CFS.



- Connectors aggregate documents from repositories and send the files to CFS. A single CFS
  can process documents from multiple connectors. For example, CFS might receive HTML files
  from HTTP Connectors, e-mail messages from Exchange Connector, and database records
  from ODBC Connector.
- CFS runs pre-import tasks. Pre-Import tasks occur before document content and file-specific metadata is extracted by KeyView.
- 3. KeyView filters the document content, and extracts sub-files.
- 4. CFS runs post-import tasks. Post-Import tasks occur after KeyView has extracted document content and file-specific metadata.
- 5. The data is indexed into IDOL.

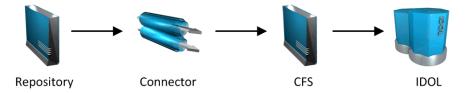
## **System Architecture**

An IDOL infrastructure can include the following components:

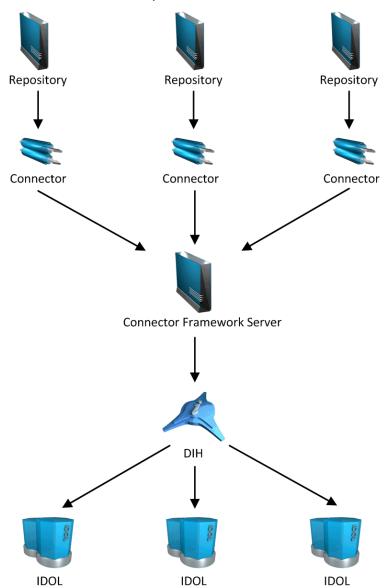
- Connectors. Connectors aggregate data from repositories and send the data to CFS.
- Connector Framework Server (CFS). Connector Framework Server (CFS) processes and enriches the information that is retrieved by connectors.
- IDOL Server. IDOL stores and processes the information that is indexed into it by CFS.

- **Distributed Index Handler (DIH)**. The Distributed Index Handler distributes data across multiple IDOL servers. Using multiple IDOL servers can increase the availability and scalability of the system.
- License Server. The License server licenses multiple products.

These components can be installed in many different configurations. The simplest installation consists of a single connector, a single CFS, and a single IDOL Server.



A more complex configuration might include more than one connector, or use a Distributed Index Handler (DIH) to index content across multiple IDOL Servers.



## **Chapter 2: Install Dynamics Connector**

This section describes how to install the Dynamics Connector.

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## **System Requirements**

Dynamics Connector can be installed as part of a larger system that includes an IDOL Server and an interface for the information stored in IDOL Server. To maximize performance, Micro Focus recommends that you install IDOL Server and the connector on different machines.

For information about the minimum system requirements required to run IDOL components, including Dynamics Connector, refer to the *IDOL Getting Started Guide*.

## **Install Dynamics Connector on Windows**

To install the Dynamics Connector on Windows, use the following procedure.

#### To install the Dynamics Connector

1. Run the Dynamics Connector installation program.

The installation wizard opens.

2. Read the installation instructions and click **Next**.

The License Agreement dialog box opens.

 Read the license agreement. If you agree to its terms, click I accept the agreement and click Next.

The Installation Directory dialog box opens.

4. Choose an installation folder for Dynamics Connector and click Next.

The Service Name dialog box opens.

5. In the **Service name** box, type a name to use for the connector's Windows service and click **Next**.

The Service Port and ACI Port dialog box opens.

6. Type the following information, and click **Next**.

**Service port** The port used by the connector to listen for service actions.

**ACI port** The port used by the connector to listen for actions.

The License Server Configuration dialog box opens.

7. Type the following information, and click **Next**.

**License server host** The host name or IP address of your License server.

**License server port** The ACI port of your License server.

The IDOL database dialog box opens.

8. In the **IDOL database** box, type the name of the IDOL database into which you want to index documents, and click **Next**.

The Proxy Server dialog box opens.

If a proxy is required to access Dynamics, type the following information and click Next.
 Otherwise, just click Next.

**Proxy host** The host name or IP address of the proxy server to use to access

the repository.

**Proxy port** The port of the proxy server to use to access the repository.

**Proxy username** The user name to use to authenticate with the proxy server.

**Proxy password** The password to use to authenticate with the proxy server.

The Dynamics Connector dialog box opens.

10. Type the root URL of the Dynamics instance that you want to retrieve information from, for example, http://host/DynamicsCRM. Then, click **Next**.

The CFS dialog box opens.

- 11. Choose whether to install a new CFS or use an existing CFS.
  - To install a new CFS, select the **Install a new CFS** check box and click **Next**.

The Installation directory dialog box opens. Go to the next step.

• To use an existing CFS, clear the **Install a new CFS** check box and click **Next**.

Type the host name and port of your existing CFS installation. Click **Next** and go to step 16.

12. Choose an installation folder for the Connector Framework Server and then click **Next**.

The Installation name dialog box opens.

13. In the **Service name** box, type a unique name for the Connector Framework service and click **Next**. The name must not contain any spaces.

The CFS dialog box opens.

14. Type the following information, and click **Next**.

**Service port** The port used by CFS to listen for service actions.

**ACI port** The port used by CFS to listen for actions.

15. Type the following information and click **Next**.

**IDOL Server** The host name or IP address of the IDOL server that you want to index

hostname documents into.

**ACI port** The ACI port of the IDOL server.

The Pre-Installation Summary dialog box opens.

16. Review the installation settings. If necessary, click **Back** to go back and change any settings. If you are satisfied with the settings, click **Next**.

The connector is installed.

- 17. Some Dynamics instances use OAuth authentication. Read the information about configuring OAuth and click **Next**. For more information about configuring OAuth authentication, see Retrieve Information from Microsoft Dynamics (OAuth Authentication), on page 50.
- 18. Click Finish.

## Chapter 3: Configure Dynamics Connector

This section describes how to configure the Dynamics Connector.

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## **Dynamics Connector Configuration File**

You can configure the Dynamics Connector by editing the configuration file. The configuration file is located in the connector's installation folder. You can modify the file with a text editor.

The parameters in the configuration file are divided into sections that represent connector functionality.

Some parameters can be set in more than one section of the configuration file. If a parameter is set in more than one section, the value of the parameter located in the most specific section overrides the value of the parameter defined in the other sections. For example, if a parameter can be set in "TaskName or FetchTasks or Default", the value in the TaskName section overrides the value in the FetchTasks section, which in turn overrides the value in the Default section. This means that you can set a default value for a parameter, and then override that value for specific tasks.

For information about the parameters that you can use to configure the Dynamics Connector, refer to the *Dynamics Connector Reference*.

## **Server Section**

The [Server] section specifies the ACI port of the connector. It can also contain parameters that control the way the connector handles ACI requests.

#### **Service Section**

The [Service] section specifies the service port of the connector.

#### **Actions Section**

The [Actions] section contains configuration parameters that specify how the connector processes actions that are sent to the ACI port. For example, you can configure event handlers that run when an action starts, finishes, or encounters an error.

## **Logging Section**

The [Logging] section contains configuration parameters that determine how messages are logged. You can use *log streams* to send different types of message to separate log files. The configuration file also contains a section to configure each of the log streams.

#### **Connector Section**

The [Connector] section contains parameters that control general connector behavior. For example, you can specify a schedule for the fetch tasks that you configure.

#### **Default Section**

The [Default] section is used to define default settings for configuration parameters. For example, you can specify default settings for the tasks in the [FetchTasks] section.

## **FetchTasks Section**

The [FetchTasks] section lists the fetch tasks that you want to run. A *fetch task* is a task that retrieves data from a repository. Fetch tasks are usually run automatically by the connector, but you can also run a fetch task by sending an action to the connector's ACI port.

In this section, enter the total number of fetch tasks in the Number parameter and then list the tasks in consecutive order starting from 0 (zero). For example:

[FetchTasks]
Number=2
0=MyTask0
1=MyTask1

## [TaskName] Section

The [TaskName] section contains configuration parameters that apply to a specific task. There must be a [TaskName] section for every task listed in the [FetchTasks] section.

## **Ingestion Section**

The [Ingestion] section specifies where to send the data that is extracted by the connector.

You can send data to a Connector Framework Server, IDOL NiFi Ingest, or another connector. For more information about ingestion, see <u>Ingestion</u>, on page 78.

#### **DistributedConnector Section**

The [DistributedConnector] section configures the connector to operate with the Distributed Connector. The Distributed Connector is an ACI server that distributes actions (synchronize, collect and so on) between multiple connectors.

For more information about the Distributed Connector, refer to the *Distributed Connector Administration Guide*.

#### **License Section**

The [License] section contains details about the License server (the server on which your license file is located).

## **Document Tracking Section**

The [DocumentTracking] section contains parameters that enable the tracking of documents through import and indexing processes.

#### Related Topics

- Modify Configuration Parameter Values, below
- Customize Logging, on page 92

## **Modify Configuration Parameter Values**

You modify Dynamics Connector configuration parameters by directly editing the parameters in the configuration file. When you set configuration parameter values, you must use UTF-8.

**CAUTION:** You must stop and restart Dynamics Connector for new configuration settings to take effect.

This section describes how to enter parameter values in the configuration file.

#### **Enter Boolean Values**

The following settings for Boolean parameters are interchangeable:

```
TRUE = true = ON = on = Y = y = 1

FALSE = false = OFF = off = N = n = 0
```

## **Enter String Values**

To enter a comma-separated list of strings when one of the strings contains a comma, you can indicate the start and the end of the string with quotation marks, for example:

```
ParameterName=cat,dog,bird,"wing,beak",turtle
```

Alternatively, you can escape the comma with a backslash:

```
ParameterName=cat,dog,bird,wing\,beak,turtle
```

If any string in a comma-separated list contains quotation marks, you must put this string into quotation marks and escape each quotation mark in the string by inserting a backslash before it. For example:

```
ParameterName="<font face=\"arial\" size=\"+1\"><b>","""
```

Here, quotation marks indicate the beginning and end of the string. All quotation marks that are contained in the string are escaped.

## Include an External Configuration File

You can share configuration sections or parameters between ACI server configuration files. The following sections describe different ways to include content from an external configuration file.

You can include a configuration file in its entirety, specified configuration sections, or a single parameter.

When you include content from an external configuration file, the GetConfig and ValidateConfig actions operate on the combined configuration, after any external content is merged in.

In the procedures in the following sections, you can specify external configuration file locations by using absolute paths, relative paths, and network locations. For example:

```
../sharedconfig.cfg
K:\sharedconfig\sharedsettings.cfg
\\example.com\shared\idol.cfg
file://example.com/shared/idol.cfg
```

Relative paths are relative to the primary configuration file.

**NOTE:** You can use nested inclusions, for example, you can refer to a shared configuration file that references a third file. However, the external configuration files must not refer back to your original configuration file. These circular references result in an error, and Dynamics Connector does not start.

Similarly, you cannot use any of these methods to refer to a different section in your primary configuration file.

## Include the Whole External Configuration File

This method allows you to import the whole external configuration file at a specified point in your configuration file.

#### To include the whole external configuration file

- 1. Open your configuration file in a text editor.
- 2. Find the place in the configuration file where you want to add the external configuration file.
- 3. On a new line, type a left angle bracket (<), followed by the path to and name of the external configuration file, in quotation marks (""). You can use relative paths and network locations. For example:
  - < "K:\sharedconfig\sharedsettings.cfg"</pre>
- 4. Save and close the configuration file.

## Include Sections of an External Configuration File

This method allows you to import one or more configuration sections (including the section headings) from an external configuration file at a specified point in your configuration file. You can include a whole configuration section in this way, but the configuration section name in the external file must exactly match what you want to use in your file. If you want to use a configuration section from the external file with a different name, see Merge a Section from an External Configuration File, on the next page.

#### To include sections of an external configuration file

- 1. Open your configuration file in a text editor.
- 2. Find the place in the configuration file where you want to add the external configuration file section.
- 3. On a new line, type a left angle bracket (<), followed by the path of the external configuration file, in quotation marks (""). You can use relative paths and network locations. After the configuration file path, add the configuration section name that you want to include. For example:
  - < "K:\sharedconfig\extrasettings.cfg" [License]</pre>

NOTE: You cannot include a section that already exists in your configuration file.

4. Save and close the configuration file.

## Include Parameters from an External Configuration File

This method allows you to import one or more parameters from an external configuration file at a specified point in your configuration file. You can import a single parameter or use wildcards to specify multiple parameters. The parameter values in the external file must match what you want to use in your file. This method does not import the section heading, such as [License] in the following examples.

#### To include parameters from an external configuration file

- 1. Open your configuration file in a text editor.
- 2. Find the place in the configuration file where you want to add the parameters from the external configuration file.
- 3. On a new line, type a left angle bracket (<), followed by the path of the external configuration file, in quotation marks (""). You can use relative paths and network locations. After the configuration file path, add the name of the section that contains the parameter, followed by the parameter name. For example:
  - < "license.cfg" [License] LicenseServerHost</pre>

To specify a default value for the parameter, in case it does not exist in the external configuration file, specify the configuration section, parameter name, and then an equals sign (=) followed by the default value. For example:

```
< "license.cfg" [License] LicenseServerHost=localhost</pre>
```

You can use wildcards to import multiple parameters, but this method does not support default values. The \* wildcard matches zero or more characters. The ? wildcard matches any single character. Use the pipe character | as a separator between wildcard strings. For example:

- < "license.cfg" [License] LicenseServer\*</pre>
- 4. Save and close the configuration file.

## Merge a Section from an External Configuration File

This method allows you to include a configuration section from an external configuration file as part of your Dynamics Connector configuration file. For example, you might want to specify a standard SSL configuration section in an external file and share it between several servers. You can use this method if the configuration section that you want to import has a different name to the one you want to use.

#### To merge a configuration section from an external configuration file

- 1. Open your configuration file in a text editor.
- 2. Find or create the configuration section that you want to include from an external file. For example:

```
[SSLOptions1]
```

3. After the configuration section name, type a left angle bracket (<), followed by the path to and name of the external configuration file, in quotation marks (""). You can use relative paths and network locations. For example:

```
[SSLOptions1] < "../sharedconfig/ssloptions.cfg"</pre>
```

If the configuration section name in the external configuration file does not match the name that you want to use in your configuration file, specify the section to import after the configuration file name. For example:

```
[SSLOptions1] < "../sharedconfig/ssloptions.cfg" [SharedSSLOptions]</pre>
```

In this example, Dynamics Connector uses the values in the [SharedSSLOptions] section of the external configuration file as the values in the [SSLOptions1] section of the Dynamics Connector configuration file.

**NOTE:** You can include additional configuration parameters in the section in your file. If these parameters also exist in the imported external configuration file, Dynamics Connector uses the values in the local configuration file. For example:

```
[SSLOptions1] < "ssloptions.cfg" [SharedSSLOptions]
SSLCACertificatesPath=C:\IDOL\HTTPConnector\CACERTS\</pre>
```

4. Save and close the configuration file.

## **Encrypt Passwords**

Micro Focus recommends that you encrypt all passwords that you enter into a configuration file.

**NOTE:** The AES encryption method has been hardened in version 12.9.0 and later. Micro Focus strongly recommends that you reencrypt all passwords in configuration files by using the updated tool.

The older AES encryption format and basic encryption methods are now deprecated. Passwords that you have encrypted with older versions continue to work, but Dynamics Connector logs a warning. Support for these older encryption methods will be removed in future.

## Create a Key File

A key file is required to use AES encryption.

#### To create a new key file

- 1. Open a command-line window and change directory to the Dynamics Connector installation folder.
- 2. At the command line, type:

```
autpassword -x -tAES -oKeyFile=./MyKeyFile.ky
```

A new key file is created with the name MyKeyFile.ky

**CAUTION:** To keep your passwords secure, you must protect the key file. Set the permissions on the key file so that only authorized users and processes can read it. Dynamics Connector must be able to read the key file to decrypt passwords, so do not move or rename it.

## **Encrypt a Password**

The following procedure describes how to encrypt a password.

#### To encrypt a password

- Open a command-line window and change directory to the Dynamics Connector installation folder
- 2. At the command line, type:

autpassword -e -tEncryptionType [-oKeyFile] [-cFILE -sSECTION -pPARAMETER]
PasswordString

where:

Option	Description	
- tEncryptionType	The type of encryption to use:  • AES - AES256  • Basic	
	<b>DEPRECATED:</b> The basic encryption type is deprecated in version 12.9.0 and later. Use the more secure AES encryption instead.	
	Passwords that you have encrypted with older versions continue to work, but Dynamics Connector logs a warning. Support for this older encryption method will be removed in future.	
	For example: -tAES	
-oKeyFile	AES encryption requires a key file. This option specifies the path and file name of a key file. The key file must contain 64 hexadecimal characters.	

Option	Description	
	For example: -oKeyFile=./key.ky	
	<b>NOTE:</b> The full (absolute) path of the key file is included in the encrypted value, because Dynamics Connector requires the key to decrypt the password. If you move or rename the key file, this path becomes invalid and you must update the encrypted value.	
-cFILE - sSECTION - pPARAMETER	<ul> <li>(Optional) You can use these options to write the password directly into a configuration file. You must specify all three options.</li> <li>-c. The configuration file in which to write the encrypted password.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>-s. The name of the section in the configuration file in which to write the password.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>-p. The name of the parameter in which to write the encrypted password.</li> </ul>	
	For example:	
	-c./Config.cfg -sMyTask -pPassword	
PasswordString	The password to encrypt.	

#### For example:

```
autpassword -e -tBASIC MyPassword
autpassword -e -tAES -oKeyFile=./key.ky MyPassword
autpassword -e -tAES -oKeyFile=./key.ky -c./Config.cfg -sDefault -pPassword
MyPassword
```

The password is returned, or written to the configuration file.

## **Decrypt a Password**

The following procedure describes how to decrypt a password.

#### To decrypt a password

- 1. Open a command-line window and change directory to the Dynamics Connector installation folder.
- 2. At the command line, type:

```
autpassword -d -tEncryptionType PasswordString
where:
```

Option	Description
-tEncryptionType	The type of encryption:
	• Basic
	• AES - AES256
	For example: -tAES
PasswordString	The password to decrypt.

#### For example:

autpassword -d -tBASIC 9t3M3t7awt/J8A

autpassword -d -tAES PasswordString

The password is returned in plain text.

## **Configure Client Authorization**

You can configure Dynamics Connector to authorize different operations for different connections.

Authorization roles define a set of operations for a set of users. You define the operations by using the StandardRoles configuration parameter, or by explicitly defining a list of allowed actions in the Actions and ServiceActions parameters. You define the authorized users by using a client IP address, SSL identities, and GSS principals, depending on your security and system configuration.

For more information about the available parameters, see the *Dynamics Connector Reference*.

**IMPORTANT:** To ensure that Dynamics Connector allows only the options that you configure in [AuthorizationRoles], make sure that you delete any deprecated *RoleClients* parameters from your configuration (where *Role* corresponds to a standard role name, for example AdminClients).

#### To configure authorization roles

- 1. Open your configuration file in a text editor.
- Find the [AuthorizationRoles] section, or create one if it does not exist.
- 3. In the [AuthorizationRoles] section, list the user authorization roles that you want to create. For example:

[AuthorizationRoles] 0=AdminRole 1=UserRole

4. Create a section for each authorization role that you listed. The section name must match the name that you set in the [AuthorizationRoles] list. For example:

#### [AdminRole]

5. In the section for each role, define the operations that you want the role to be able to perform. You can set StandardRoles to a list of appropriate values, or specify an explicit list of allowed actions by using Actions, and ServiceActions. For example:

[AdminRole]

StandardRoles=Admin,ServiceControl,ServiceStatus

[UserRole]
Actions=GetVersion
ServiceActions=GetStatus

**NOTE:** The standard roles do not overlap. If you want a particular role to be able to perform all actions, you must include all the standard roles, or ensure that the clients, SSL identities, and so on, are assigned to all relevant roles.

6. In the section for each role, define the access permissions for the role, by setting Clients, SSLIdentities, and GSSPrincipals, as appropriate. If an incoming connection matches one of the allowed clients, principals, or SSL identities, the user has permission to perform the operations allowed by the role. For example:

[AdminRole]
StandardRoles=Admin,ServiceControl,ServiceStatus
Clients=localhost
SSLIdentities=admin.example.com

- 7. Save and close the configuration file.
- 8. Restart Dynamics Connector for your changes to take effect.

**IMPORTANT:** If you do not provide any authorization roles for a standard role, Dynamics Connector uses the default client authorization for the role (localhost for Admin and ServiceControl, all clients for Query and ServiceStatus). If you define authorization only by actions, Micro Focus recommends that you configure an authorization role that disallows all users for all roles by default. For example:

[ForbidAllRoles]
StandardRoles=\*
Clients=""

This configuration ensures that Dynamics Connector uses only your action-based authorizations.

## Register with a Distributed Connector

To receive actions from a Distributed Connector, a connector must register with the Distributed Connector and join a *connector group*. A connector group is a group of similar connectors. The connectors in a group must be of the same type (for example, all HTTP Connectors), and must be able to access the same repository.

To configure a connector to register with a Distributed Connector, follow these steps. For more information about the Distributed Connector, refer to the *Distributed Connector Administration Guide*.

#### To register with a Distributed Connector

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [DistributedConnector] section, set the following parameters:

RegisterConnector (Required) To register with a Distributed Connector, set this

parameter to true.

HostN (Required) The host name or IP address of the Distributed

Connector.

PortN (Required) The ACI port of the Distributed Connector.

DataPortN (Optional) The data port of the Distributed Connector.

ConnectorGroup (Required) The name of the connector group to join. The value of this

parameter is passed to the Distributed Connector.

ConnectorPriority (Optional) The Distributed Connector can distribute actions to

connectors based on a priority value. The lower the value assigned to ConnectorPriority, the higher the probability that an action is assigned to this connector, rather than other connectors in the same

connector group.

SharedPath (Optional) The location of a shared folder that is accessible to all of

the connectors in the ConnectorGroup. This folder is used to store the connectors' datastore files, so that whichever connector in the group receives an action, it can access the information required to complete it. If you set the DataPortN parameter, the datastore file is streamed directly to the Distributed Connector, and this parameter is

ignored.

- 4. Save and close the configuration file.
- 5. Start the connector.

The connector registers with the Distributed Connector. When actions are sent to the Distributed Connector for the connector group that you configured, they are forwarded to this connector or to another connector in the group.

## **Set Up Secure Communication**

You can configure Secure Socket Layer (SSL) connections between the connector and other ACI servers.

## **Configure Outgoing SSL Connections**

To configure the connector to send data to other components (for example Connector Framework Server) over SSL, follow these steps.

#### To configure outgoing SSL connections

- 1. Open the Dynamics Connector configuration file in a text editor.
- 2. Specify the name of a section in the configuration file where the SSL settings are provided:
  - To send data to an ingestion server over SSL, set the IngestSSLConfig parameter in the [Ingestion] section. To send data from a single fetch task to an ingestion server over SSL, set IngestSSLConfig in a [TaskName] section.
  - To send data to a Distributed Connector over SSL, set the SSLConfig parameter in the [DistributedConnector] section.
  - To send data to a View Server over SSL, set the SSLConfig parameter in the [ViewServer] section.

You can use the same settings for each connection. For example:

[Ingestion]

IngestSSLConfig=SSLOptions

[DistributedConnector]

SSLConfig=SSLOptions

3. Create a new section in the configuration file. The name of the section must match the name you specified in the IngestSSLConfig or SSLConfig parameter. Then specify the SSL settings to use.

SSLMethod The SSL protocol to use.

SSLCertificate (Optional) The SSL certificate to use (in PEM format).

SSLPrivateKey (Optional) The private key for the SSL certificate (in PEM format).

For example:

[SSLOptions]
SSLMethod=TLSV1.3
SSLCertificate=host1.crt
SSLPrivateKey=host1.key

- 4. Save and close the configuration file.
- 5. Restart the connector.

#### Related Topics

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## **Configure Incoming SSL Connections**

To configure a connector to accept data sent to its ACI port over SSL, follow these steps.

#### To configure an incoming SSL Connection

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Server] section set the SSLConfig parameter to specify the name of a section in the configuration file for the SSL settings. For example:

[Server]

SSLConfig=SSLOptions

4. Create a new section in the configuration file (the name must match the name you used in the SSLConfig parameter). Then, use the SSL configuration parameters to specify the details for the connection. You must set the following parameters:

SSLMethod The SSL protocol to use.

SSLCertificate The SSL certificate to use (in PEM format).

SSLPrivateKey The private key for the SSL certificate (in PEM format).

For example:

[SSLOptions]
SSLMethod=TLSV1.3
SSLCertificate=host1.crt
SSLPrivateKey=host1.key

- 5. Save and close the configuration file.
- 6. Restart the connector.

#### Related Topics

• Start and Stop the Connector, on page 32

## **Backup and Restore the Connector's State**

After configuring a connector, and while the connector is running, you can create a backup of the connector's state. In the event of a failure, you can restore the connector's state from the backup.

To create a backup, use the backupServer action. The backupServer action saves a ZIP file to a path that you specify. The backup includes:

- a copy of the actions folder, which stores information about actions that have been queued, are running, and have finished.
- a copy of the configuration file.
- a copy of the connector's datastore files, which contain information about the files, records, or other data that the connector has retrieved from a repository.

## **Backup a Connector's State**

#### To create a backup of the connectors state

In the address bar of your Web browser, type the following action and press ENTER:

http://host:port/action=backupServer&path=path

where,

host The host name or IP address of the machine where the connector is running.

port The connector's ACI port.

path The folder where you want to save the backup.

For example:

http://localhost:1234/action=backupServer&path=./backups

#### Restore a Connector's State

#### To restore a connector's state

In the address bar of your Web browser, type the following action and press ENTER:

 $\verb|http://host:port/action=restoreServer\&filename=filename|$ 

where,

host The host name or IP address of the machine where the connector is running.

port The connector's ACI port.

filename The path of the backup that you created.

For example:

http://localhost:1234/action=restoreServer&filename./backups/filename.zip

## Validate the Configuration File

You can use the ValidateConfig service action to check for errors in the configuration file.

**NOTE:** For the ValidateConfig action to validate a configuration section, Dynamics Connector must have previously read that configuration. In some cases, the configuration might be read when a task is run, rather than when the component starts up. In these cases, ValidateConfig reports any unread sections of the configuration file as unused.

#### To validate the configuration file

• Send the following action to Dynamics Connector:

http://Host:ServicePort/action=ValidateConfig

where:

Host is the host name or IP address of the machine where Dynamics Connector

is installed.

ServicePort is the service port, as specified in the [Service] section of the configuration

file.

## Chapter 4: Start and Stop the Connector

This section describes how to start and stop the Dynamics Connector.

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<b>NOTE:</b> You must start and stop the Connector Framework Server separately from the Dynamics Connector.	

## **Start the Connector**

After you have installed and configured a connector, you are ready to run it. Start the connector using one of the following methods.

#### **Start the Connector on Windows**

#### To start the connector using Windows Services

- 1. Open the Windows Services dialog box.
- 2. Select the connector service, and click Start.
- 3. Close the Windows Services dialog box.

#### To start the connector by running the executable

• In the connector installation directory, double-click the connector executable file.

#### Start the Connector on UNIX

To start the connector on a UNIX operating system, follow these steps.

#### To start the connector using the UNIX start script

- 1. Change to the installation directory.
- 2. Enter the following command:
  - ./startconnector.sh

3. If you want to check the Dynamics Connector service is running, enter the following command:

ps -aef | grep ConnectorInstallName

This command returns the Dynamics Connector service process ID number if the service is running.

## Verify that Dynamics Connector is Running

After starting Dynamics Connector, you can run the following actions to verify that Dynamics Connector is running.

- GetStatus
- GetLicenseInfo

#### **GetStatus**

You can use the GetStatus service action to verify the Dynamics Connector is running. For example:

http://Host:ServicePort/action=GetStatus

**NOTE:** You can send the GetStatus action to the ACI port instead of the service port. The GetStatus ACI action returns information about the Dynamics Connector setup.

#### **GetLicenseInfo**

You can send a GetLicenseInfo action to Dynamics Connector to return information about your license. This action checks whether your license is valid and returns the operations that your license includes.

Send the GetLicenseInfo action to the Dynamics Connector ACI port. For example:

http://Host:ACIport/action=GetLicenseInfo

The following result indicates that your license is valid.

<autn:license>

<autn:validlicense>true</autn:validlicense>

</autn:license:

As an alternative to submitting the GetLicenseInfo action, you can view information about your license, and about licensed and unlicensed actions, on the **License** tab in the Status section of IDOL Admin.

## **Stop the Connector**

You must stop the connector before making any changes to the configuration file.

#### To stop the connector using Windows Services

- 1. Open the Windows Services dialog box.
- 2. Select the *ConnectorInstalLName* service, and click **Stop**.
- 3. Close the Windows Services dialog box.

#### To stop the connector by sending an action to the service port

• Type the following command in the address bar of your Web browser, and press ENTER:

http://host:ServicePort/action=stop

host The IP address or host name of the machine where the connector is

running.

ServicePort The connector's service port (specified in the [Service] section of the

connector's configuration file).

## Chapter 5: Send Actions to Dynamics Connector

This section describes how to send actions to Dynamics Connector.

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## **Send Actions to Dynamics Connector**

Dynamics Connector actions are HTTP requests, which you can send, for example, from your web browser. The general syntax of these actions is:

http://host:port/action=action&parameters

#### where:

host is the IP address or name of the machine where Dynamics Connector is installed.

port is the Dynamics Connector ACI port. The ACI port is specified by the Port

parameter in the [Server] section of the Dynamics Connector configuration file. For more information about the Port parameter, see the *Dynamics Connector* 

Reference.

action is the name of the action you want to run.

parameters are the required and optional parameters for the action.

**NOTE:** Separate individual parameters with an ampersand (&). Separate parameter names from values with an equals sign (=). You must percent-encode all parameter values.

For more information about actions, see the *Dynamics Connector Reference*.

## **Asynchronous Actions**

When you send an asynchronous action to Dynamics Connector, the connector adds the task to a queue and returns a token. Dynamics Connector performs the task when a thread becomes

available. You can use the token with the QueueInfo action to check the status of the action and retrieve the results of the action.

Most of the features provided by the connector are available through action=fetch, so when you use the QueueInfo action, query the fetch action queue, for example:

/action=QueueInfo&QueueName=Fetch&QueueAction=GetStatus

## Check the Status of an Asynchronous Action

To check the status of an asynchronous action, use the token that was returned by Dynamics Connector with the QueueInfo action. For more information about the QueueInfo action, refer to the Dynamics Connector Reference.

#### To check the status of an asynchronous action

• Send the QueueInfo action to Dynamics Connector with the following parameters.

QueueName The name of the action queue that you want to check.

QueueAction The action to perform. Set this parameter to GetStatus.

Token (Optional) The token that the asynchronous action returned. If you do

not specify a token, Dynamics Connector returns the status of every

action in the queue.

#### For example:

/action=QueueInfo&QueueName=fetch&QueueAction=getstatus&Token=...

## Cancel an Asynchronous Action that is Queued

To cancel an asynchronous action that is waiting in a queue, use the following procedure.

#### To cancel an asynchronous action that is queued

Send the QueueInfo action to Dynamics Connector with the following parameters.

QueueName The name of the action queue that contains the action to cancel.

QueueAction The action to perform . Set this parameter to Cancel.

Token The token that the asynchronous action returned.

#### For example:

/action=QueueInfo&QueueName=fetch&QueueAction=Cancel&Token=...

## Stop an Asynchronous Action that is Running

You can stop an asynchronous action at any point.

### To stop an asynchronous action that is running

• Send the QueueInfo action to Dynamics Connector with the following parameters.

QueueName The name of the action queue that contains the action to stop.

QueueAction The action to perform. Set this parameter to **Stop**.

Token The token that the asynchronous action returned.

#### For example:

/action=QueueInfo&QueueName=fetch&QueueAction=Stop&Token=...

# Store Action Queues in an External Database

Dynamics Connector provides asynchronous actions. Each asynchronous action has a queue to store requests until threads become available to process them. You can configure Dynamics Connector to store these queues either in an internal database file, or in an external database hosted on a database server.

The default configuration stores queues in an internal database. Using this type of database does not require any additional configuration.

You might want to store the action queues in an external database so that several servers can share the same queues. In this configuration, sending a request to any of the servers adds the request to the shared queue. Whenever a server is ready to start processing a new request, it takes the next request from the shared queue, runs the action, and adds the results of the action back to the shared database so that they can be retrieved by any of the servers. You can therefore distribute requests between components without configuring a Distributed Action Handler (DAH).

**NOTE:** You cannot use multiple servers to process a single request. Each request is processed by one server.

**NOTE:** Although you can configure several connectors to share the same action queues, the connectors do not share fetch task data. If you share action queues between several connectors and distribute synchronize actions, the connector that processes a synchronize action cannot determine which items the other connectors have retrieved. This might result in some documents being ingested several times.

# **Prerequisites**

- · Supported databases:
  - PostgreSQL 9.0 or later.
  - o MySQL 5.0 or later.

- On each machine that hosts Dynamics Connector, you must install an ODBC driver for your chosen database. On Linux you must also install the unixODBC driver manager and configure the name and path of the ODBC driver in the unixODBC odbcinst.ini configuration file.
- If you use PostgreSQL, you must set the PostgreSQL ODBC driver setting MaxVarChar to 0 (zero). If you use a DSN, you can configure this parameter when you create the DSN.
   Otherwise, you can set the MaxVarcharSize parameter in the connection string.

# **Configure Dynamics Connector**

To configure Dynamics Connector to use a shared action queue, follow these steps.

### To store action queues in an external database

- 1. Stop Dynamics Connector, if it is running.
- 2. Open the Dynamics Connector configuration file.
- 3. Find the relevant section in the configuration file:
  - To store queues for all asynchronous actions in the external database, find the [Actions] section.
  - To store the queue for a single asynchronous action in the external database, find the section that configures that action.
- 4. Set the following configuration parameters.

AsyncStoreLibraryDirectory	The path of the directory that contains the library to use to
	connect to the database. Specify either an absolute path,
	or a path relative to the server executable file.

AsyncStoreLibraryName

The name of the library to use to connect to the database. You can omit the file extension. The following libraries are available:

- postgresAsyncStoreLibrary for connecting to a PostgreSQL database.
- mysqlAsyncStoreLibrary for connecting to a MySQL database.

ConnectionString

The connection string to use to connect to the database. The user that you specify must have permission to create tables in the database. For example:

ConnectionString=DSN=ActionStore

or

ConnectionString=Driver={PostgreSQL};
Server=10.0.0.1; Port=9876;
Database=SharedActions; Uid=user; Pwd=password;

#### MaxVarcharSize=0;

If your connection string includes a password, Micro Focus recommends encrypting the value of the parameter before entering it into the configuration file. Encrypt the entire connection string. For information about how to encrypt parameter values, see Encrypt Passwords, on page 22.

### For example:

[Actions]
AsyncStoreLibraryDirectory=acidlls
AsyncStoreLibraryName=postgresAsyncStoreLibrary
ConnectionString=DSN=ActionStore

5. You can use the same database to store action queues for more than one type of IDOL component (for example, a group of File System Connectors and a group of Media Servers). To use a database for more than one type of component, set the following parameter in the [Actions] section of the configuration file.

DatastoreSharingGroupName

The group of components to share actions with. You can set this parameter to any string, but the value must be the same for each server in the group. For example, to configure several Dynamics Connectors to share their action queues, set this parameter to the same value in every Dynamics Connector configuration. Micro Focus recommends setting this parameter to the name of the component.

**CAUTION:** Do not configure different components (for example, two different types of connector) to share the same action queues. This will result in unexpected behavior.

For example:

[Actions]

. . .

DatastoreSharingGroupName=MediaServer

6. Save and close the configuration file.

When you start Dynamics Connector it connects to the shared database.

# **Store Action Queues in Memory**

Dynamics Connector provides asynchronous actions. Each asynchronous action has a queue to store requests until threads become available to process them. These queues are usually stored in a

datastore file or in a database hosted on a database server, but in some cases you can increase performance by storing these queues in memory.

**NOTE:** Storing action queues in memory improves performance only when the server receives large numbers of actions that complete quickly. Before storing queues in memory, you should also consider the following:

- The queues (including queued actions and the results of finished actions) are lost if
  Dynamics Connector stops unexpectedly, for example due to a power failure or the
  component being forcibly stopped. This could result in some requests being lost, and if the
  queues are restored to a previous state some actions could run more than once.
- Storing action queues in memory prevents multiple instances of a component being able to share the same queues.
- Storing action queues in memory increases memory use, so please ensure that the server has sufficient memory to complete actions and store the action queues.

If you stop Dynamics Connector cleanly, Dynamics Connector writes the action queues from memory to disk so that it can resume processing when it is next started.

To configure Dynamics Connector to store asynchronous action queues in memory, follow these steps.

### To store action queues in memory

- 1. Stop Dynamics Connector, if it is running.
- 2. Open the Dynamics Connector configuration file and find the [Actions] section.
- 3. If you have set any of the following parameters, remove them:
  - AsyncStoreLibraryDirectory
  - AsyncStoreLibraryName
  - ConnectionString
  - UseStringentDatastore
- 4. Set the following configuration parameters.

UseInMemoryDatastore A Boolean value that specifies whether to keep the queues for asynchronous actions in

memory. Set this parameter to TRUE.

InMemoryDatastoreBackupIntervalMins

(Optional) The time interval (in minutes) at which the action queues are written to disk. Writing the queues to disk can reduce the number of queued actions that would be lost if Dynamics Connector stops unexpectedly, but configuring a frequent backup will increase the load on the datastore and might reduce

performance.

For example:

[Actions]
UseInMemoryDatastore=TRUE
InMemoryDatastoreBackupIntervalMins=30

5. Save and close the configuration file.

When you start Dynamics Connector, it stores action queues in memory.

# Use XSL Templates to Transform Action Responses

You can transform the action responses returned by Dynamics Connector using XSL templates. You must write your own XSL templates and save them with either an .xsl or .tmpl file extension.

After creating the templates, you must configure Dynamics Connector to use them, and then apply them to the relevant actions.

#### To enable XSL transformations

- 1. Ensure that the autnxs1t library is located in the same directory as your configuration file. If the library is not included in your installation, you can obtain it from Micro Focus Support.
- 2. Open the Dynamics Connector configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Server] section, ensure that the XSLTemplates parameter is set to true.

**CAUTION:** If XSLTemplates is set to **true** and the autnxslt library is not present in the same directory as the configuration file, the server will not start.

- 4. (Optional) In the [Paths] section, set the TemplateDirectory parameter to the path to the directory that contains your XSL templates. The default directory is acitemplates.
- 5. Save and close the configuration file.
- 6. Restart Dynamics Connector for your changes to take effect.

#### To apply a template to action output

Add the following parameters to the action:

Template The name of the template to use to transform the action output.

Exclude the folder path and file extension.

ForceTemplateRefresh (Optional) If you modified the template after the server started,

set this parameter to true to force the ACI server to reload the

template from disk rather than from the cache.

For example:

In this example, Dynamics Connector applies the XSL template myTemplate to the response from a QueueInfo action.

**NOTE:** If the action returns an error response, Dynamics Connector does not apply the XSL template.

# **Example XSL Templates**

Dynamics Connector includes the following sample XSL templates, in the acitemplates folder:

XSL Template	Description
LuaDebug	Transforms the output from the LuaDebug action, to assist with debugging Lua scripts.

# **Chapter 6: Use the Connector**

This section describes how to use the connector.

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# Create the XML Retrieval Specification

To retrieve information from Microsoft Dynamics, you must create an XML retrieval specification that specifies the content to retrieve and describes how to construct documents from this information. The specification refers to *collections*, *objects*, and *items*, which are data types stored in the Dynamics repository. Micro Focus recommends that the connector is configured by a Dynamics administrator who is familiar with your data.

The following XML is an example retrieval specification:

The specification is contained within the <spec> element, and can contain the following elements:

Element	Description	Occurrences
Collection	The collection element specifies a starting point for the connector. The connector creates one document for each member of the collection.	1 or more per specification
0bject	Use the object element to retrieve an object from the collection or from another object and insert information about	0 or more per collection, 0 or

	the object into the document.	more per object
Item	Use the item element to retrieve an item from the collection or from an object, and insert the value of this item into the document.	0 or more per collection, 0 or more per object

# collection element

The collection element specifies a starting point for the connector. The connector creates one document for each member of the collection.

Attribute	Description	Required
name	The name of the collection to crawl. The connector creates one document for each member of the collection. For example, if you specify name="accounts", the connector will create one document for each account in the Dynamics repository.	Yes
filter	A filter to retrieve only some of the members of the collection. The syntax to use to construct the filter is described by the Microsoft developer documentation.	No

# **Example**

The following example creates a document for each account in the repository:

An example of a document produced by this specification appears below:

```
<pre
```

<item name="accountid" />

This might be useful if you want to index information in different documents. For example, you might want to index a document for each of your accounts but separate documents for each support query logged for those accounts.

# object element

The object element describes an object to retrieve. Object elements can be nested within the collection or within other objects.

Attribute	Description	Required
name	The name of the object to retrieve.	Yes

## Example

In the following example, the connector retrieves the owninguser object:

An example of a document produced by this specification appears below:

```
<DOCUMENT>
  <DREREFERENCE>http://host/Dynamics/api/data/v8.1/accounts(34b8ffd0-4232-e611-80c5-
0050569248a7)</DREREFERENCE>
  <accountid>34b8ffd0-4232-e611-80c5-0050569248a7</accountid>
  <description>This is the description</description>
  <name>Hewlett Packard Enterprise
  <owninguser>
    <employeeid>0123456</employeeid>
    <fullname>John Smith</fullname>
  </owninguser>
</DOCUMENT>
Objects can also be nested within other objects, for example:
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<spec>
  <collection name="accounts">
    <item name="accountid" />
    <item name="name" />
    <item name="description" />
    <object name="owninguser">
      <object name="...">
         <item name="..." />
      </object>
      <item name="employeeid" />
      <item name="fullname" />
    </object>
  </collection>
</spec>
```

# item element

The item element is used to retrieve an item from the Dynamics CRM repository, and insert the value of this item into the document metadata.

Attribute	Description	Required
name	The name of the item to retrieve.	Yes
position_ in_ document	The location in the document where you want to insert value of the item:  • nested_field (default). The connector adds the value of the item to a metadata field that is nested according to the structure of your retrieval specification.	No
	<ul> <li>root_field. The connector adds the value of the item to a metadata field at the root of the document.</li> <li>content. The connector appends the value of the item to the</li> </ul>	

Attribute	Description	Required
	document's DRECONTENT field.	
field_name	The name of the document field to create to contain the item value. By default, the document field takes the name of the item.	No

## Example

The following example creates a document for each account in the repository. These documents have fields named accountid, name, and description which contain information about the account. The document also has a field named owninguser, and this field has sub-fields named employeeid and fullname.

An example of a document produced by this specification appears below:

```
<DOCUMENT>
```

```
<DREREFERENCE>http://host/Dynamics/api/data/v8.1/accounts(34b8ffd0-4232-e611-80c5-
0050569248a7)/DREREFERENCE>
<accountid>34b8ffd0-4232-e611-80c5-0050569248a7</accountid>
<description>This is the description</description>
<name>Hewlett Packard Enterprise</name>
<owninguser>
<employeeid>0123456</employeeid>
<fullname>John Smith</fullname>
</owninguser>
</DOCUMENT>
```

If you wanted to use the field name account name for the account name, instead of name, you could use the field\_name attribute as follows:

```
<item name="fullname" />
    </object>
  </collection>
</spec>
An example of a document produced by this specification appears below:
<DOCUMENT>
  <DREREFERENCE>http://host/Dynamics/api/data/v8.1/accounts(34b8ffd0-4232-e611-80c5-
0050569248a7)</DREREFERENCE>
  <accountid>34b8ffd0-4232-e611-80c5-0050569248a7</accountid>
  <accountname>Hewlett Packard Enterprise</accountname>
  <description>This is the description</description>
  <owninguser>
    <employeeid>0123456</employeeid>
    <fullname>John Smith</fullname>
  </owninguser>
</DOCUMENT>
To insert the metadata about the owninguser object at the root level of the document, and not as sub-
fields, you could use the position_in_document attribute, for example:
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<spec>
  <collection name="accounts">
    <item name="accountid" />
    <item name="name" field name="accountname" />
    <item name="description" />
    <object name="owninguser">
      <item name="employeeid" position_in_document="root" />
      <item name="fullname" position_in_document="root" />
    </object>
  </collection>
</spec>
An example of a document produced by this specification appears below:
<DOCUMENT>
  <DREREFERENCE>http://host/Dynamics/api/data/v8.1/accounts(34b8ffd0-4232-e611-80c5-
0050569248a7)</DREREFERENCE>
  <accountid>34b8ffd0-4232-e611-80c5-0050569248a7</accountid>
  <accountname>Hewlett Packard Enterprise</accountname>
  <description>This is the description</description>
  <employeeid>0123456</employeeid>
  <fullname>John Smith</fullname>
</DOCUMENT>
```

# **Preserve Structure when Indexing Documents**

Documents created by the Dynamics Connector are likely to have important information contained in the document structure (the relationships between pieces of information are represented by how the fields in the document are nested).

To index documents into IDOL Server in IDX format (which is the default), CFS must flatten the documents and therefore the structure and relationships are lost. To preserve the structure of a document when it is indexed, you can modify the configuration of your CFS so that documents are indexed as XML. In the [Indexing] section, or the section that contains your indexing settings for IDOL Server, set the parameter UseXmlIndexing to TRUE.

# Retrieve Information from Microsoft Dynamics (NTLM Authentication)

To retrieve information from a Microsoft Dynamics repository, create a new fetch task by following these steps. The connector runs fetch tasks automatically, based on the schedule that is configured in the configuration file.

### To create a new Fetch Task

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [FetchTasks] section of the configuration file, specify the number of fetch tasks using the Number parameter. If you are configuring the first fetch task, type Number=1. If one or more fetch tasks have already been configured, increase the value of the Number parameter by one (1). Below the Number parameter, specify the names of the fetch tasks, starting from zero (0). For example:

[FetchTasks]
Number=1
0=MyTask

4. Below the [FetchTasks] section, create a new *TaskName* section. The name of the section must match the name of the new fetch task. For example:

[FetchTasks] Number=1 0=MyTask

[MyTask]

5. In the new section, set the following parameters:

EndpointUrl The base URL of the Dynamics web API.

RetrievalSpecification The path to an XML file that contains the specification of what

to retrieve from the repository. For information about how to create this file, see Create the XML Retrieval Specification, on

page 43.

NtlmUsername The user name to use to access resources protected by NTLM

authentication.

NtlmPassword The password to use to access resources protected by NTLM

authentication. Micro Focus recommends that you encrypt the password before entering it into the configuration file. For information about how to encrypt parameter values, see

Encrypt Passwords, on page 22.

UseNTLMv2 Specifies whether to use NTLM version 2, rather than version

1.

6. Save and close the configuration file. You can now start the connector.

# Retrieve Information from Microsoft Dynamics (OAuth Authentication)

This section describes how to retrieve information from Microsoft Dynamics using OAuth authentication.

# **Create a Dynamics Application**

To retrieve and index information from Microsoft Dynamics CRM, you must create an application to represent the connector. For information about how to do this, refer to the Microsoft developer documentation, for example <a href="https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/mt622431.aspx">https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/mt622431.aspx</a>.

When you create the application, you are provided with a client ID. Make a note of this because you will need it to configure the connector.

Micro Focus recommends using the OAuth configuration tool to set up OAuth authentication. If you want to use the OAuth configuration tool, ensure that the redirect\_uri for the application you create matches the URL where you will run the OAuth configuration tool. By default this is http://localhost:7878/oauth.

# Configure OAuth Authentication (on-premise)

You must configure OAuth authentication so that the connector can a authenticate with the Dynamics repository. Use this procedure if your Dynamics instance is on-premise.

### To configure OAuth authentication

- 1. Open the folder where you installed the connector.
- 2. Open the file oauth\_tool.cfg in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Default] section, specify any SSL or proxy settings necessary to connect to the Dynamics repository:

SSLMethod The version of SSL/TLS to use.

ProxyHost The host name or IP address of the proxy server that the connector must use.

ProxyPort The port of the proxy server that the connector must use.

#### For example:

SSLMethod=SSLV23 ProxyHost=10.0.0.1 ProxyPort=8080

4. In the [OAuthTool] section, set the following parameters:

AuthorizeUrl The URL that the OAuth tool should use to obtain the log on

page for the Dynamics repository.

TokenUrl The URL that the OAuth tool should use to obtain an access

token.

RefeshUr1 The URL that the OAuth tool should use to obtain a refresh

token.

AppKey The client ID or application key that was provided when you

set up an application to represent the connector.

Do not modify the other parameters in this section.

5. Open a command-line window and run oauth\_tool.exe oauth\_tool.cfg OAuthTool.

Your default web browser opens to the Dynamics web site. The web page asks you to authorize the connector to access Dynamics.

6. Authorize the application by entering the credentials of the account that you want to ingest data from. The user account that you use should be entered in the Username parameter when you configure the connector.

Dynamics provides the OAuth tool with the OAuth refresh token.

The OAuth tool creates a file named oauth.cfg, which contains the parameters that the connector requires to authenticate with Dynamics.

7. Ensure the parameters set by the OAuth tool in the file oauth.cfg are included in the connector configuration file.

You can merge these parameters into the connector configuration file using the following syntax:

```
[FetchTasks] < "oauth.cfg" [OAUTH]</pre>
```

For more information about including parameters from another file, see Include an External Configuration File, on page 19.

The OAuth tool also prints the parameters it has set to the command-line window, so you can set them directly in the connector configuration file if you prefer.

8. You can now configure a task to retrieve data from Dynamics. See Configure the Connector, on the next page.

# **Configure OAuth Authentication (hosted)**

You must configure OAuth authentication so that the connector can authenticate with the Dynamics repository. Use this procedure if your Dynamics instance is hosted by Microsoft.

### To configure OAuth authentication

- 1. Open the folder where you installed the connector.
- 2. Open the file oauth\_tool.cfg in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Default] section, specify any SSL or proxy settings necessary to connect to the Dynamics repository:

SSLMethod The version of SSL/TLS to use.

ProxyHost The host name or IP address of the proxy server that the connector must use.

ProxyPort The port of the proxy server that the connector must use.

#### For example:

SSLMethod=SSLV23 ProxyHost=10.0.0.1 ProxyPort=8080

4. In the [OAuthTool365] section, set the following parameters:

AppKey The client ID or application key that was provided when you set up an application to represent the connector.

Do not modify the other parameters in this section.

- 5. Open a command-line window and run oauth\_tool.exe oauth\_tool.cfg OAuthTool365.
  - Your default web browser opens to the Dynamics web site. The web page asks you to authorize the connector to access Dynamics.
- Authorize the application by entering the credentials of the account that you want to ingest data from. The user account that you use should be entered in the Username parameter when you configure the connector.

Dynamics provides the OAuth tool with the OAuth refresh token.

The OAuth tool creates a file named oauth.cfg, which contains the parameters that the connector requires to authenticate with Dynamics.

7. Ensure the parameters set by the OAuth tool in the file oauth.cfg are included in the connector configuration file.

You can merge these parameters into the connector configuration file using the following syntax:

```
[FetchTasks] < "oauth.cfg" [OAUTH]</pre>
```

For more information about including parameters from another file, see Include an External Configuration File, on page 19.

The OAuth tool also prints the parameters it has set to the command-line window, so you can set them directly in the connector configuration file if you prefer.

8. You can now configure a task to retrieve data from Dynamics. See Configure the Connector, below.

# **Configure the Connector**

To retrieve information from a Microsoft Dynamics repository, create a new fetch task by following these steps. The connector runs fetch tasks automatically, based on the schedule that is configured in the configuration file.

**NOTE:** Before beginning this procedure, first create an application to represent the connector and configure OAuth authentication (on-premise) or configure OAuth authentication (hosted).

#### To create a new Fetch Task

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [FetchTasks] section of the configuration file, specify the number of fetch tasks using the Number parameter. If you are configuring the first fetch task, type Number=1. If one or more fetch tasks have already been configured, increase the value of the Number parameter by one (1). Below the Number parameter, specify the names of the fetch tasks, starting from zero (0). For example:

[FetchTasks]

Number=1

0=MyTask

4. Below the [FetchTasks] section, create a new *TaskName* section. The name of the section must match the name of the new fetch task. For example:

[FetchTasks]
Number=1
0=MyTask

[MyTask]

5. In the new section, set the parameters required to authenticate with the Dynamics repository. The OAuth configuration tool creates a file that contains these parameters, and you can include them in the connector's configuration file using the following syntax:

```
[MyTask] < "oauth.cfg" [OAUTH]</pre>
```

For more information about including parameters from another file, see Include an External Configuration File, on page 19.

6. In the new section, set the following parameters:

EndpointUrl The base URL of the Dynamics web API.

RetrievalSpecification The path to an XML file that contains the specification of what

to retrieve from the repository. For information about how to create this file, see Create the XML Retrieval Specification, on

page 43.

Username The user name to use to retrieve information.

7. Save and close the configuration file.

# Chapter 7: Mapped Security

Items in a Microsoft Dynamics repository can be viewed only by authorized users. Document security ensures that these restrictions are also enforced by IDOL. This section describes how to set up mapped security for information that is extracted from Microsoft Dynamics.

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# **Mapped Security for Dynamics**

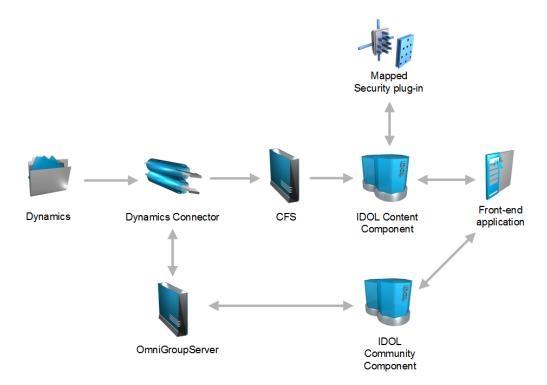
The Dynamics Connector supports mapped security, but the following Dynamics security features are not supported:

- Field-based security. In Microsoft Dynamics you can grant or deny access to specific fields.
   This is not supported in IDOL, where users who have permission to view a document can see all of the fields indexed by the connector. This means that IDOL users might be able to gain access to information that they would not be able to see through Dynamics.
- Hierarchical and record-based security. Hierarchical security allows users to access records
  owned by their subordinates. Record-based security enables users to view records through
  sharing. Although these security features are not supported by IDOL, both require users to have
  read access to the records, so IDOL users are not able to view any information that they cannot
  see through Dynamics.

# **Mapped Security Architecture**

The mapped security architecture includes the following components:

- · The Microsoft Dynamics repository
- Dynamics Connector
- · Micro Focus OmniGroupServer
- Micro Focus IDOL Content and Micro Focus IDOL Community components
- · Micro Focus IDOL Mapped Security plug-in
- · A front-end application



Items in Dynamics have associated permissions that specify the users and groups who are permitted, and who are not permitted, to view them. The Dynamics Connector retrieves the items and sends documents to CFS to be indexed into IDOL Server. To each document the connector adds an Access Control List (ACL) which contains the security information. Each time the connector synchronizes with the repository, it updates the ACLs for any documents where the associated permissions have changed.

The IDOL Content component needs the ACL to determine whether a user can view a document that is returned as a result to a query. However, IDOL must also consider the groups that the user belongs to. A user might not be permitted to view a document, but they could be a member of a group that has permission. This means that IDOL requires the user and group information from the Dynamics repository.

The connector can extract user and group information from Dynamics. This functionality is available through the SynchronizeGroups action. Based on a schedule, OmniGroupServer sends a request to the connector to run this action and the connector returns the information. OmniGroupServer then stores the user and group information so that the IDOL Community component can query it.

When a user logs on to a front-end application, the application requests the user's security information and group memberships from Community. Community returns a token containing the information. The front-end application includes this token in all queries the user sends to the Content component.

When a user submits a query, Content sends the result documents and the user's security token to the Mapped Security plug-in. The Mapped Security plug-in compares the user's security information and group memberships to each document's ACL. The plug-in determines which documents the user is permitted to view and returns the results. The IDOL Content component then sends only the documents that the user is permitted to view to the front-end application.

# Set up Mapped Security

To use mapped security to protect information that is extracted from Microsoft Dynamics by the Dynamics Connector, set up the following components:

- Dynamics Connector. You must set up the Dynamics Connector to include security information (Access Control Lists) in the documents that are indexed into IDOL Server. The connector adds the ACL to a document field named AUTONOMYMETADATA. You must also add a field to each document that identifies the security type. For information about how to do this, see Retrieve and Index Access Control Lists, below.
- Connector Framework Server (CFS). Your CFS must be configured to index documents from the connector into your IDOL Server (Content Component). There are no configuration changes to make for mapped security.
- OmniGroupServer. You must set up OmniGroupServer to retrieve user and group information.
   For information about how to configure OmniGroupServer, see Retrieve User and Group Information, on the next page.
- IDOL Server. You must set up the IDOL Content component to process the security information
  contained in each document. You must also configure user security, so that the IDOL
  Community component sends user and group information to your front-end application when a
  user logs on. For information about how to set up these IDOL components, see Configure
  IDOL Server, on page 59. For more information about document security, refer to the IDOL
  Document Security Administration Guide.
- · A front-end application for querying IDOL Server.

# **Retrieve and Index Access Control Lists**

To configure the Dynamics Connector to retrieve and index Access Control Lists (ACLs), follow these steps.

### To retrieve and index Access Control Lists

- 1. If the connector is running, stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file.
- 3. Set the MappedSecurity parameter to true.
  - To index ACLs for all fetch tasks, set this parameter in the [FetchTasks] section.
  - To index ACLs for a single fetch task, set this parameter in the [TaskName] section for the task.

For example:

[FetchTasks]
Number=1
0=MyTask
MappedSecurity=True

[MyTask]
DynamicsOnline=FALSE
UseDomainLogin=TRUE
EndpointUrl=http://10.11.12.13/DynamicsCRM/api/data/v8.1
NtlmUsername=CONNECTOR\Administrator
NtlmPassword=
RetrievalSpecification=retrieval.xml
IndexDatabase=Dynamics

**TIP:** The UseDomainLogin configuration parameter determines whether the connector constructs ACLs that contain domain names or e-mail addresses. The default value is the opposite of the parameter DynamicsOnline — email addresses are commonly used for Dynamics Online, and domain names for on-premise installations. For more information about configuring fetch tasks to retrieve information from Dynamics, see Use the Connector, on page 43.

4. Add a field to each document to specify the security type. To do this, create an ingest action or run a Lua script. For example:

[Ingestion]

IngestActions=META:SECURITYTYPE=DYNAMICS

**NOTE:** The field name and value that you specify must match the name and value you use to identify the security type in your IDOL Content component configuration file (for more information about configuring Content, see Configure IDOL Server, on the next page).

5. Save and close the configuration file.

# **Retrieve User and Group Information**

To configure OmniGroupServer to retrieve user and group information, follow these steps.

### To retrieve user and group information

- 1. Open the OmniGroupServer configuration file.
- 2. In the [Repositories] section, create a repository to store the information. For example:

[Repositories]
Number=1
0=Dynamics

3. In the new section, configure a task to obtain the user and group information through the Dynamics Connector. You can use the following configuration parameters (for a complete list of

configuration parameters, refer to the OmniGroupServer Reference).

GroupServerJobType The type of task to run. To retrieve group information through a

connector, set this parameter to **Connector**. OmniGroupServer will send the SynchronizeGroups action to your Dynamics Connector.

ConnectorHost The host name or IP address of the machine that hosts the

Dynamics Connector.

ConnectorPort The ACI port of the Dynamics Connector.

ConnectorTask The name of the fetch task in the connector's configuration file that

contains the information and credentials required to obtain the

information from the Dynamics repository.

#### For example:

[Dynamics]
GroupServerJobType=Connector
ConnectorHost=10.0.0.1
ConnectorPort=7130
ConnectorTask=MyTask

4. (Optional) You can set further parameters to define the schedule for the task. You can set these parameters in the task section (to schedule only the current task), or in the [Default] section (to provide a default schedule for all OmniGroupServer tasks).

GroupServerStartTime The time when a task starts.

GroupServerRepeatSecs The number of seconds that elapse before OmniGroupServer

repeats a task.

#### For example:

[Dynamics]
GroupServerJobType=Connector
ConnectorHost=10.0.0.1
ConnectorPort=7130
ConnectorTask=MyTask
GroupServerStartTime=02:00
GroupServerRepeatSecs=86400

5. Save and close the OmniGroupServer configuration file.

# **Configure IDOL Server**

This section describes the configuration changes that are required in IDOL Server to enable mapped security for documents that originate from Microsoft Dynamics. For more information about configuring mapped security in IDOL Server, refer to the *IDOL Document Security Administration Guide*.

### **Content Component**

The first requirement is to add a field processing rule so that the IDOL Content component can determine whether a document is protected by Dynamics security. Field processing rules are configured in the [FieldProcessing] section of the Content component configuration file.

The following example instructs the Content component to search for a field named SECURITYTYPE and check for the value DYNAMICS. You should have configured your Dynamics Connector to add this field to every document (see Retrieve and Index Access Control Lists, on page 57).

```
[FieldProcessing]
...
29=DetectDynamicsSecurity
```

[DetectDynamicsSecurity]
Property=SecurityDynamics
PropertyFieldCSVs=\*/SECURITYTYPE
PropertyMatch=DYNAMICS

```
[SecurityDynamics]
SecurityType=Dynamics_V4
```

The SecurityType configuration parameter provides a name for the Dynamics security type. This can be any string but you must use the same value in several other places, as described below.

After the Content component has determined that a document is protected by Dynamics security, it must process the ACL that the Dynamics Connector has added to the document in the AUTONOMYMETADATA field.

To process ACLs added to documents by the Dynamics Connector, configure custom mapped security (Type=AUTONOMY\_SECURITY\_V4\_GENERIC\_MAPPED). Document security is configured in the [Security] section of the Content component configuration file. Create a new section with the same name that you specified with the SecurityType configuration parameter, above.

```
[Security]
...
6=Dynamics_V4
```

### [Dynamics\_V4]

SecurityCode=6
Library=C:\HPE\IDOLServer/content/modules/mapped\_security
Type=AUTONOMY\_SECURITY\_V4\_GENERIC\_MAPPED
ReferenceField=\*/AUTONOMYMETADATA
SecurityACLFormat=U:<U=SLEC>:G:<G=SLEC>
SecurityACLCheck=U=[U]?P:-,G=[G]?P:F

**IMPORTANT:** Ensure that the SecurityACLFormat and SecurityACLCheck parameters are set exactly as shown in the example above.

### **Community Component**

The final requirement is to configure user security so that when a user logs on to a front-end application, IDOL Server can return a security token that includes their group memberships. User security is configured in the [Security] section of the Community component configuration file.

Add a new section for Dynamics, similar to the following example:

[Security]
7=Dynamics

[Dynamics]
DocumentSecurity=TRUE
DocumentSecurityType=Dynamics\_V4
GroupServerHost=localhost
GroupServerPort=3057
GroupServerRepository=Dynamics
SecurityFieldCSVs=username
CaseSensitiveUserNames=FALSE
CaseSensitiveGroupNames=FALSE

The value of the DocumentSecurityType parameter must match the value you set for the parameter SecurityType in the Content component configuration file.

The GroupServerHost and GroupServerPort parameters should specify the host name or IP address, and ACI port, of your OmniGroupServer. The GroupServerRepository parameter should specify the name of the repository that you created when you configured OmniGroupServer (see Retrieve User and Group Information, on page 58).

# **Mapped Security Tutorial**

The following tutorial demonstrates mapped security and shows how to check whether documents are returned successfully when a user submits a query with a valid security token.

Before starting ensure that you have completed the following steps:

- Configure the connector, CFS, OmniGroupServer, and the IDOL Content and Community components, as described in Set up Mapped Security, on page 57.
- · Start all of the IDOL components or services.
- Ensure that the Dynamics repository contains suitable data. Microsoft provide a set of sample
  data for the Dynamics CRM system that you can use for training purposes. For information
  about how to add or remove sample data from Dynamics, refer to the Microsoft documentation
  at https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/dynamics/crm-customer-center/add-or-remove-sampledata.aspx.

**NOTE:** The following steps include example action commands. These use the standard ports for the relevant IDOL components. If you have configured the components to use different ports, change the following examples accordingly. Some action commands are split over several lines

for readability.

### To confirm that Mapped Security is configured successfully

1. Instruct the connector to start retrieving documents by running the fetch action:

http://connector:7130/action=fetch&fetchaction=synchronize&tasksections=MyTask where MyTask is the name of the fetch task that you configured in the connector's configuration file.

- 2. To check that the documents were indexed successfully, run the following actions:
  - Check the status of the fetch action by sending the QueueInfo action to the connector:

```
http://connector:7130/action=queueinfo&queueaction=getstatus
&queuename=fetch
&token=token
```

where token is the token returned by the fetch action you sent in the previous step.

The connector returns a response that shows new documents were ingested:

```
<action>
  <status>Finished</status>
  <queued_time>2017-Apr-06 05:52:31</queued_time>
  <time_in_queue>0</time_in_queue>
  cprocess_start_time>2017-Apr-06 05:52:31
  <time_processing>3</time_processing>
  <documentcounts>
    <documentcount task="MYTASK" errors="0" ingestadded="15" added="15"/>
  </documentcounts>
  <fetchaction>SYNCHRONIZE</fetchaction>
    <success>MYTASK</success>
  </tasks>
  <tasksection>MyTask</tasksection>
  <token>...</token>
</action>
```

• Check whether the documents were indexed into the IDOL index:

```
http://content:9100/action=list
```

The IDOL Content component returns a list of documents. Notice the AUTONOMYMETADATA and SECURITYTYPE fields that were added by the connector.

If the IDOL Content component does not return any documents, check that the documents reached CFS and then Content. If you run action=grl to see the CFS request log you should see an ingest action from the connector. You can check that CFS issued a DREADD index command to the IDOL Content component by looking for the DREADD command in the Content component index log.

3. Instruct OmniGroupServer to retrieve user and group information for the Dynamics repository:

```
http://ogs:3057/a=StartJob&Repository=Dynamics
```

where *Dynamics* is the name of the job (repository) that you configured in the OmniGroupServer configuration file.

4. Check that OmniGroupServer has successfully retrieved the user information by running the GetAllusers action:

```
http://ogs:3057/a=GetAllUsers&Repository=Dynamics
```

OmniGroupServer returns the users:

5. Check that OmniGroupServer has successfully retrieved the group information. Run the GetGroups action with a user name that was returned by the GetAllUsers action in the previous step.

```
http://ogs:3057/a=GetGroups&Username=CONNECTOR%5CDYNAMICSCRMUSER
```

OmniGroupServer returns a response similar to:

```
<action>GETGROUPS</action><response>SUCCESS</response>
```

**NOTE:** Groups that begin with "ENT>" are used to determine access to entities, and groups that begin with "T>" correspond to teams in your Dynamics instance. In "ENT>" groups, "Global", "Deep" and "Local" correspond to the privilege depth in the Dynamics CRM system and the trailing GUID corresponds to the business unit to which the group access applies.

6. Add your users (as returned by OmniGroupServer in step 4) to the IDOL Community component by using the UserAdd action, for example:

```
http://community:9030/a=UserAdd
&Username=CONNECTOR%5CDYNAMICSCRMUSER
&Password=password
&SecurityDynamicsUsername=CONNECTOR%5CDYNAMICSCRMUSER
```

7. Obtain a SecurityInfo string for a user, by sending the UserRead action to the IDOL Community component. The SecurityInfo string contains security information for a user, for example a list of group memberships.

8. Run the Query action to obtain documents from the IDOL Content component. Your request must include the SecurityInfo string that you obtained in the previous step.

```
http://content:9100/a=query&text=*
&maxresults=100
&PrintFields=WEBSITEURL,Name
&securityinfo=securityinfo
```

where *securityinfo* is the SecurityInfo string that you obtained from the IDOL Community component.

**NOTE:** The SecurityInfo string can contain a significant amount of information, especially when a user is a member of a large number of groups. If you try to send this request from a web browser the request might be truncated. You must also URL-encode the SecurityInfo string. For this reason you might find it easier to send this request as an HTTP POST request using a tool such as cURL.

Using cURL the same request looks like this:

```
curl --data "text=*&maxresults=100&PrintFields=WEBSITEURL,Name"
    --data-urlencode "securityinfo=securityinfo"
    http://content:9100/a=query
```

### The IDOL Content component returns documents that the user is permitted to view:

```
<action>QUERY</action>
<response>SUCCESS</response>
<responsedata>
  <autn:numhits>15</autn:numhits>
  <autn:hit>
   <autn:reference>http://10.11.12.13/DynamicsCRM/api/...</autn:reference>
    <autn:id>9</autn:id>
    <autn:section>0</autn:section>
    <autn:weight>85.35</autn:weight>
    <autn:database>Dynamics</autn:database>
    <autn:content>
      <DOCUMENT>
        <NAME>A. Datum Corporation (sample)</NAME>
        <WEBSITEURL>http://www.adatum.com/</WEBSITEURL>
      </DOCUMENT>
    </autn:content>
  </autn:hit>
</responsedata>
```

# **Chapter 8: Manipulate Documents**

This section describes how to manipulate documents that are created by the connector and sent for ingestion.

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# Introduction

IDOL Connectors retrieve data from repositories and create documents that are sent to Connector Framework Server or another connector. You might want to manipulate the documents that are created. For example, you can:

- Add or modify document fields, to change the information that is indexed into IDOL Server.
- Add fields to a document to customize the way the document is processed by CFS.
- Convert information into another format so that it can be inserted into another repository by a connector that supports the Insert action.

When a connector sends documents to CFS, the documents only contain metadata extracted from the repository by the connector (for example, the location of the original files). To modify data extracted by KeyView, you must modify the documents using CFS. For information about how to manipulate documents with CFS, refer to the *Connector Framework Server Administration Guide*.

# Add a Field to Documents using an Ingest Action

To add a field to all documents retrieved by a fetch task, or all documents sent for ingestion, you can use an Ingest Action.

**NOTE:** To add a field only to selected documents, use a Lua script (see Run Lua Scripts, on page 73). For an example Lua script that demonstrates how to add a field to a document, see Add a Field to a Document, on page 76.

### To add a field to documents using an Ingest Action

- 1. Open the connector's configuration file.
- 2. Find one of the following sections in the configuration file:
  - To add the field to all documents retrieved by a specific fetch task, find the [TaskName] section.
  - To add a field to all documents that are sent for ingestion, find the [Ingestion] section.

**NOTE:** If you set the IngestActions parameter in a [TaskName] section, the connector does not run any IngestActions set in the [Ingestion] section for documents retrieved by that task.

3. Use the IngestActions parameter to specify the name of the field to add, and the field value. For example, to add a field named AUTN\_NO\_EXTRACT, with the value SET, type:

IngestActions0=META:AUTN\_NO\_EXTRACT=SET

4. Save and close the configuration file.

# **Customize Document Processing**

You can add the following fields to a document to control how the document is processed by CFS. Unless stated otherwise, you can add the fields with any value.

## AUTN\_FILTER\_META\_ONLY

Prevents KeyView extracting file content from a file. KeyView only extracts metadata and adds this information to the document.

### AUTN\_NO\_FILTER

Prevents KeyView extracting file content and metadata from a file. You can use this field if you do not want to extract text from certain file types.

### AUTN\_NO\_EXTRACT

Prevents KeyView extracting subfiles. You can use this field to prevent KeyView extracting the contents of ZIP archives and other container files.

#### AUTN\_NEEDS\_MEDIA\_SERVER\_ANALYSIS

Identifies media files (images, video, and documents such as PDF files that contain embedded images) that you want to send to Media Server for analysis, using a MediaServerAnalysis import task. You do not need to add this field if you are using a Lua script to run media analysis. For more information about running analysis on media, refer to the *Connector Framework Server Administration Guide*.

# Standardize Field Names

Field standardization modifies documents so that they have a consistent structure and consistent field names. You can use field standardization so that documents indexed into IDOL through different connectors use the same fields to store the same type of information.

For example, documents created by the File System Connector can have a field named FILEOWNER. Documents created by the Documentum Connector can have a field named owner\_name. Both of these fields store the name of the person who owns a file. Field standardization renames the fields so that they have the same name.

Field standardization only modifies fields that are specified in a dictionary, which is defined in XML format. A standard dictionary, named dictionary.xml, is supplied in the installation folder of every connector. If a connector does not have any entries in the dictionary, field standardization has no effect.

# **Configure Field Standardization**

IDOL Connectors have several configuration parameters that control field standardization. All of these are set in the [Connector] section of the configuration file:

- EnableFieldNameStandardization specifies whether to run field standardization.
- FieldNameDictionaryPath specifies the path of the dictionary file to use.
- FieldNameDictionaryNode specifies the rules to use. The default value for this parameter
  matches the name of the connector, and Micro Focus recommends that you do not change it.
  This prevents one connector running field standardization rules that are intended for another.

To configure field standardization, use the following procedure.

**NOTE:** You can also configure CFS to run field standardization. To standardize all field names, you must run field standardization from both the connector and CFS.

#### To enable field standardization

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file.
- 3. In the [Connector] section, set the following parameters:

EnableFieldNameStandardization A Boolean value that specifies whether to enable

field standardization. Set this parameter to true.

FieldNameDictionaryPath The path to the dictionary file that contains the rules

to use to standardize documents. A standard

dictionary is included with the connector and is named dictionary.xml.

For example:

```
[Connector]
EnableFieldNameStandardization=true
FieldNameDictionaryPath=dictionary.xml
```

4. Save the configuration file and restart the connector.

# **Customize Field Standardization**

Field standardization modifies documents so that they have a consistent structure and consistent field names. You can use field standardization so that documents indexed into IDOL through different connectors use the same fields to store the same type of information. Field standardization only modifies fields that are specified in a dictionary, which is defined in XML format. A standard dictionary, named dictionary.xml, is supplied in the installation folder of every connector.

In most cases you should not need to modify the standard dictionary, but you can modify it to suit your requirements or create dictionaries for different purposes. By modifying the dictionary, you can configure the connector to apply rules that modify documents before they are ingested. For example, you can move fields, delete fields, or change the format of field values.

The following examples demonstrate how to perform some operations with field standardization.

The following rule renames the field Author to DOCUMENT\_METADATA\_AUTHOR\_STRING. This rule applies to all components that run field standardization and applies to all documents.

The following rule demonstrates how to use the Delete operation. This rule instructs CFS to remove the field KeyviewVersion from all documents (the Product element with the attribute key="ConnectorFrameWork" ensures that this rule is run only by CFS).

There are several ways to select fields to process using the Field element.

Field element	Description	Example
attribute		

name	Select a field where the field name matches a fixed value.	Select the field MyField: <field name="MyField"> </field> Select the field Subfield, which is a subfield of MyField: <field name="MyField"></field>
path	Select a field where its path matches a fixed value.	Select the field Subfield, which is a subfield of MyField. <field path="MyField/Subfield"> </field>
nameRegex	Select all fields at the current depth where the field name matches a regular expression.	In this case the field name must begin with the word File: <field nameregex="File.*"> </field>
pathRegex	Select all fields where the path of the field matches a regular expression.  This operation can be inefficient because every metadata field must be checked. If possible, select the fields to process another way.	This example selects all subfields of MyField. <field pathregex="MyField/[^/]*"> </field> This approach would be more efficient: <field name="MyField"></field>

You can also limit the fields that are processed based on their value, by using one of the following:

Field element attribute	Description	Example
matches	Process a field if its value matches a fixed value.	Process a field named MyField, if its value matches abc. <field matches="abc" name="MyField"></field>

		/Field
matchesRegex	Process a field if its entire value matches a regular expression.	Process a field named MyField, if its value matches one or more digits. <field matchesregex="\d+" name="MyField"> </field>
containsRegex	Process a field if its value contains a match to a regular expression.	Process a field named MyField if its value contains three consecutive digits. <field containsregex="\d{3}" name="MyField"> </field>

The following rule deletes every field or subfield where the name of the field or subfield begins with temp.

The following rule instructs CFS to rename the field Author to DOCUMENT\_METADATA\_AUTHOR\_STRING, but only when the document contains a field named DocumentType with the value 230 (the KeyView format code for a PDF file).

**TIP:** In this example, the IfField element is used to check the value of the DocumentType field. The IfField element does not change the current position in the document. If you used the Field element, field standardization would attempt to find an Author field that is a subfield of DocumentType, instead of finding the Author field at the root of the document.

The following rules demonstrate how to use the ValueFormat operation to change the format of dates. The first rule transforms the value of a field named CreatedDate. The second rule transforms the value of an attribute named Created, on a field named Date.

The ValueFormat element has the following attributes:

type	To convert the date into the IDOL AUTNDATE format, specify autndate. To convert the date into a custom format, specify customdate and then set the attribute targetformat.
format	The format to convert the date from. Specify the format using standard IDOL date formats.
targetformat	The format to convert the date into, when you set the type attribute to customdate. Specify the format using standard IDOL date formats.

As demonstrated by the previous example, you can select field attributes to process in a similar way to selecting fields.

You must select attributes using either a fixed name or a regular expression:

You can then add a restriction to limit the attributes that are processed:

The following rule moves all of the attributes of a field to sub fields, if the parent field has no value. The id attribute on the first Field element provides a name to a matching field so that it can be referred to by later operations. The GetName and GetValue operations save the name and value of a selected field or attribute (in this case an attribute) into variables (in this case \$'name' and \$'value') which can be used by later operations. The AddField operation uses the variables to add a new field at the selected location (the field identified by id="parent").

The following rule demonstrates how to move all of the subfields of UnwantedParentField to the root of the document, and then delete the field UnwantedParentField.

# **Run Lua Scripts**

IDOL Connectors can run custom scripts written in Lua, an embedded scripting language. You can use Lua scripts to process documents that are created by a connector, before they are sent to CFS and indexed into IDOL Server. For example, you can:

- Add or modify document fields.
- · Manipulate the information that is indexed into IDOL.
- Call out to an external service, for example to alert a user.

There might be occasions when you do not want to send documents to a CFS. For example, you might use the Collect action to retrieve documents from one repository and then insert them into another. You can use a Lua script to transform the documents from the source repository so that they can be accepted by the destination repository.

To run a Lua script from a connector, use one of the following methods:

- Set the IngestActions configuration parameter in the connector's configuration file. For information about how to do this, see Run a Lua Script using an Ingest Action, on page 75. The connector runs ingest actions on documents before they are sent for ingestion.
- Set the IngestActions action parameter when using the Synchronize action.

## Write a Lua Script

A Lua script that is run from a connector must have the following structure:

```
function handler(config, document, params)
    ...
end
```

The handler function is called for each document and is passed the following arguments:

Argument	Description
config	A LuaConfig object that you can use to retrieve the values of configuration parameters from the connector's configuration file.
document	A LuaDocument object. The document object is an internal representation of the document being processed. Modifying this object changes the document.
params	The params argument is a table that contains additional information provided by the connector:
	<ul> <li>TYPE. The type of task being performed. The possible values are ADD, UPDATE, DELETE, or COLLECT.</li> </ul>
	SECTION. The name of the section in the configuration file that contains configuration parameters for the task.
	FILENAME. The document filename. The Lua script can modify this file, but must not delete it.
	<ul> <li>OWNFILE. Indicates whether the connector (and CFS) has ownership of the file. A value of true means that CFS deletes the file after it has been processed.</li> </ul>

The following script demonstrates how you can use the config and params arguments:

end

For the connector to continue processing the document, the handler function must return true. If the function returns false, the document is discarded.

**TIP:** You can write a library of useful functions to share between multiple scripts. To include a library of functions in a script, add the code **dofile("library.lua")** to the top of the lua script, outside of the handler function.

# Run a Lua Script using an Ingest Action

To run a Lua script on documents that are sent for ingestion, use an Ingest Action.

### To run a Lua script using an Ingest Action

- 1. Open the connector's configuration file.
- 2. Find one of the following sections in the configuration file:
  - To run a Lua script on all documents retrieved by a specific task, find the [TaskName] section.
  - To run a Lua script on all documents that are sent for ingestion, find the [Ingestion] section.

**NOTE:** If you set the IngestActions parameter in a [TaskName] section, the connector does not run any IngestActions set in the [Ingestion] section for that task.

3. Use the IngestActions parameter to specify the path to your Lua script. For example:

```
IngestActions=LUA:C:\Autonomy\myScript.lua
```

4. Save and close the configuration file.

### **Related Topics**

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# **Example Lua Scripts**

This section contains example Lua scripts.

- Add a Field to a Document, below
- Merge Document Fields, below

## Add a Field to a Document

The following script demonstrates how to add a field named "MyField" to a document, with a value of "MyValue".

The following script demonstrates how to add the field AUTN\_NEEDS\_MEDIA\_SERVER\_ANALYSIS to all JPEG, TIFF and BMP documents. This field indicates to CFS that the file should be sent to a Media Server for analysis (you must also define the MediaServerAnalysis task in the CFS configuration file).

The script finds the file type using the DREREFERENCE document field, so this field must contain the file extension for the script to work correctly.

## **Merge Document Fields**

This script demonstrates how to merge the values of document fields.

When you extract data from a repository, the connector can produce documents that have multiple values for a single field, for example:

```
#DREFIELD ATTACHMENT="attachment.txt"
#DREFIELD ATTACHMENT="image.jpg"
#DREFIELD ATTACHMENT="document.pdf"
```

This script shows how to merge the values of these fields, so that the values are contained in a single field, for example:

```
#DREFIELD ATTACHMENTS="attachment.txt, image.jpg, document.pdf"
```

## **Example Script**

```
function handler(config, document, params)
       onefield(document, "ATTACHMENT", "ATTACHMENTS")
       return true;
end
function onefield(document,existingfield,newfield)
       if document:hasField(existingfield) then
               local values = { document:getFieldValues(existingfield) }
               local newfieldvalue=""
               for i,v in ipairs(values) do
                   if i>1 then
                       newfieldvalue = newfieldvalue ..", "
                   end
                   newfieldvalue = newfieldvalue..v
               end
               document:addField(newfield,newfieldvalue)
       end
       return true;
end
```

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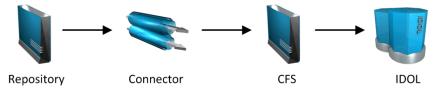
After a connector finds new documents in a repository, or documents that have been updated or deleted, it sends this information to another component called the *ingestion target*. This section describes where you can send the information retrieved by the Dynamics Connector, and how to configure the ingestion target.

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## Introduction

A connector can send information to a single ingestion target, which could be:

• Connector Framework Server. To process information and then index it into IDOL or Vertica, send the information to a Connector Framework Server (CFS). Any files retrieved by the connector are *imported* using KeyView, which means the information contained in the files is converted into a form that can be indexed. If the files are containers that contain *subfiles*, these are extracted. You can manipulate and enrich documents using Lua scripts and automated tasks such as field standardization, image analysis, and speech-to-text processing. CFS can index your documents into one or more indexes. For more information about CFS, refer to the *Connector Framework Server Administration Guide*.



• Another Connector. Use another connector to keep another repository up-to-date. When a connector receives documents, it inserts, updates, or deletes the information in the repository. For example, you could use an Exchange Connector to extract information from Microsoft Exchange, and send the documents to a Notes Connector so that the information is inserted, updated, or deleted in the Notes repository.

**NOTE:** The destination connector can only insert, update, and delete documents if it supports the insert, update, and delete fetch actions.

In most cases Micro Focus recommends ingesting documents through CFS, so that KeyView can extract content from any files retrieved by the connector and add this information to your documents. You can also use CFS to manipulate and enrich documents before they are indexed. However, if required you can configure the connector to index documents directly into:

- IDOL Server. You might index documents directly into IDOL Server when your connector
  produces metadata-only documents (documents that do not have associated files). In this case
  there is no need for the documents to be imported. Connectors that can produce metadata-only
  documents include ODBC Connector and Oracle Connector.
- **Vertica.** The metadata extracted by connectors is structured information held in structured fields, so you might use Vertica to analyze this information.
- MetaStore. You can index document metadata into a MetaStore for records management.

## Send Data to Connector Framework Server

This section describes how to configure ingestion into Connector Framework Server (CFS).

#### To send data to a CFS

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Ingestion] section, set the following parameters:

EnableIngestion To enable ingestion, set this parameter to true.

IngesterType To send data to CFS, set this parameter to **CFS**.

IngestHost The host name or IP address of the CFS.

IngestPort The ACI port of the CFS.

For example:

[Ingestion]

EnableIngestion=True
IngesterType=CFS
IngestHost=localhost

IngestPort=7000

4. (Optional) If you are sending documents to CFS for indexing into IDOL Server, set the IndexDatabase parameter. When documents are indexed, IDOL adds each document to the database specified in the document's DREDBNAME field. The connector sets this field for each document, using the value of IndexDatabase.

IndexDatabase The name of the IDOL database into which documents are indexed.

Ensure that this database exists in the IDOL Server configuration file.

- To index all documents retrieved by the connector into the same IDOL database, set this parameter in the [Ingestion] section.
- To use a different database for documents retrieved by each task, set this parameter in the TaskName section.
- 5. Save and close the configuration file.

# Send Data to Another Repository

You can configure a connector to send the information it retrieves to another connector. When the destination connector receives the documents, it inserts them into another repository. When documents are updated or deleted in the source repository, the source connector sends this information to the destination connector so that the documents can be updated or deleted in the other repository.

**NOTE:** The destination connector can only insert, update, and delete documents if it supports the insert, update, and delete fetch actions.

### To send data to another connector for ingestion into another repository

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Ingestion] section, set the following parameters:

EnableIngestion To enable ingestion, set this parameter to true.

IngesterType To send data to another repository, set this parameter to **Connector**.

IngestHost The host name or IP address of the machine hosting the destination

connector.

IngestPort The ACI port of the destination connector.

IngestActions Set this parameter so that the source connector runs a Lua script to

convert documents into form that can be used with the destination connector's insert action. For information about the required format, refer to the Administration Guide for the destination connector.

For example:

[Ingestion]

EnableIngestion=True
IngesterType=Connector
IngestHost=AnotherConnector

IngestPort=7010

IngestActions=Lua:transformation.lua

4. Save and close the configuration file.

# **Index Documents Directly into IDOL Server**

This section describes how to index documents from a connector directly into IDOL Server.

**TIP:** In most cases, Micro Focus recommends sending documents to a Connector Framework Server (CFS). CFS extracts metadata and content from any files that the connector has retrieved, and can manipulate and enrich documents before they are indexed. CFS also has the capability to insert documents into more than one index, for example IDOL Server and a Vertica database. For information about sending documents to CFS, see Send Data to Connector Framework Server, on page 79

### To index documents directly into IDOL Server

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Ingestion] section, set the following parameters:

EnableIngestion To enable ingestion, set this parameter to true.

IngesterType To send data to IDOL Server, set this parameter to Indexer.

IndexDatabase The name of the IDOL database to index documents into.

### For example:

[Ingestion]

EnableIngestion=True
IngesterType=Indexer
IndexDatabase=News

4. In the [Indexing] section of the configuration file, set the following parameters:

IndexerType To send data to IDOL Server, set this parameter to **IDOL**.

Host The host name or IP address of the IDOL Server.

Port The IDOL Server ACI port.

SSLConfig (Optional) The name of a section in the connector's configuration file that

contains SSL settings for connecting to IDOL.

### For example:

[Indexing]
IndexerType=IDOL
Host=10.1.20.3
Port=9000

SSLConfig=SSLOptions

[SSLOptions]
SSLMethod=SSLV23

5. Save and close the configuration file.

## **Index Documents into Vertica**

Dynamics Connector can index documents into Vertica, so that you can run queries on structured fields (document metadata).

Depending on the metadata contained in your documents, you could investigate the average age of documents in a repository. You might want to answer questions such as: How much time has passed since the documents were last updated? How many files are regularly updated? Does this represent a small proportion of the total number of documents? Who are the most active users?

**TIP:** In most cases, Micro Focus recommends sending documents to a Connector Framework Server (CFS). CFS extracts metadata and content from any files that the connector has retrieved, and can manipulate and enrich documents before they are indexed. CFS also has the capability to insert documents into more than one index, for example IDOL Server and a Vertica database. For information about sending documents to CFS, see Send Data to Connector Framework Server, on page 79

## **Prerequisites**

- Dynamics Connector supports indexing into Vertica 7.1 and later.
- You must install the appropriate Vertica ODBC drivers (version 7.1 or later) on the machine that
  hosts Dynamics Connector. If you want to use an ODBC Data Source Name (DSN) in your
  connection string, you will also need to create the DSN. For more information about installing
  Vertica ODBC drivers and creating the DSN, refer to the Vertica documentation.

## New, Updated and Deleted Documents

When documents are indexed into Vertica, Dynamics Connector adds a timestamp that contains the time when the document was indexed. The field is named VERTICA\_INDEXER\_TIMESTAMP and the timestamp is in the format YYYY-MM-DD HH:NN:SS.

When a document in a data repository is modified, Dynamics Connector adds a new record to the database with a new timestamp. All of the fields are populated with the latest data. The record describing the older version of the document is not deleted. You can create a projection to make sure your queries only return the latest record for a document.

When Dynamics Connector detects that a document has been deleted from a repository, the connector inserts a new record into the database. The record contains only the DREREFERENCE and the field VERTICA\_INDEXER\_DELETED set to TRUE.

## Fields, Sub-Fields, and Field Attributes

Documents that are created by connectors can have multiple levels of fields, and field attributes. A database table has a flat structure, so this information is indexed into Vertica as follows:

- Document fields become columns in the flex table. An IDOL document field and the corresponding database column have the same name.
- Sub-fields become columns in the flex table. A document field named my\_field with a sub-field named subfield results in two columns, my\_field and my\_field.subfield.
- Field attributes become columns in the flex table. A document field named my\_field, with an attribute named my\_attribute results in two columns, my\_field holding the field value and my\_field.my\_attribute holding the attribute value.

## **Prepare the Vertica Database**

Indexing documents into a standard database is problematic, because documents do not have a fixed schema. A document that represents an image has different metadata fields to a document that represents an e-mail message. Vertica databases solve this problem with *flex tables*. You can create a flex table without any column definitions, and you can insert a record regardless of whether a referenced column exists.

You must create a flex table before you index data into Vertica.

When creating the table, consider the following:

- Flex tables store entire records in a single column named \_\_raw\_\_. The default maximum size
  of the \_\_raw\_\_ column is 128K. You might need to increase the maximum size if you are
  indexing documents with large amounts of metadata.
- Documents are identified by their DREREFERENCE. Micro Focus recommends that you do not
  restrict the size of any column that holds this value, because this could result in values being
  truncated. As a result, rows that represent different documents might appear to represent the
  same document. If you do restrict the size of the DREREFERENCE column, ensure that the length
  is sufficient to hold the longest DREREFERENCE that might be indexed.

To create a flex table without any column definitions, run the following query:

```
create flex table my_table();
```

To improve query performance, create real columns for the fields that you query frequently. For documents indexed by a connector, this is likely to include the DREREFERENCE:

```
create flex table my_table(DREREFERENCE varchar NOT NULL);
```

You can add new column definitions to a flex table at any time. Vertica automatically populates new columns with values for existing records. The values for existing records are extracted from the \_\_ raw column.

For more information about creating and using flex tables, refer to the Vertica Documentation or contact Vertica technical support.

## Send Data to Vertica

To send documents to a Vertica database, follow these steps.

#### To send data to Vertica

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Ingestion] section, set the following parameters:

EnableIngestion To enable ingestion, set this parameter to true.

IngesterType To send data to a Vertica database, set this parameter to **Indexer**.

For example:

[Ingestion]

EnableIngestion=TRUE
IngesterType=Indexer

4. In the [Indexing] section, set the following parameters:

IndexerType To send data to a Vertica database, set this parameter to Library.

LibraryDirectory The directory that contains the library to use to index data.

LibraryName The name of the library to use to index data. You can omit the .dll or

. so file extension. Set this parameter to verticaIndexer.

ConnectionString The connection string to use to connect to the Vertica database.

TableName The name of the table in the Vertica database to index the documents

into. The table must be a flex table and must exist before you start indexing documents. For more information, see Prepare the Vertica

Database, on the previous page.

For example:

[Indexing]
IndexerType=Library
LibraryDirectory=indexerdlls
LibraryName=verticaIndexer
ConnectionString=DSN=VERTICA
TableName=my\_flex\_table

5. Save and close the configuration file.

## Send Data to a MetaStore

You can configure a connector to send documents to a MetaStore. When you send data to a Metastore, any files associated with documents are ignored.

**TIP:** In most cases, Micro Focus recommends sending documents to a Connector Framework Server (CFS). CFS extracts metadata and content from any files that the connector has retrieved, and can manipulate and enrich documents before they are indexed. CFS also has the capability to insert documents into more than one index, for example IDOL Server and a MetaStore. For information about sending documents to CFS, see Send Data to Connector Framework Server, on page 79

#### To send data to a MetaStore

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. In the [Ingestion] section, set the following parameters:

EnableIngestion To enable ingestion, set this parameter to true.

IngesterType To send data to a MetaStore, set this parameter to **Indexer**.

For example:

[Ingestion]

EnableIngestion=True
IngesterType=Indexer

4. In the [Indexing] section, set the following parameters:

IndexerType To send data to a MetaStore, set this parameter to MetaStore.

Host The host name of the machine hosting the MetaStore.

Port The port of the MetaStore.

For example:

[Indexing]
IndexerType=Metastore
Host=MyMetaStore
Port=8000

5. Save and close the configuration file.

# Run a Lua Script after Ingestion

You can configure the connector to run a Lua script after batches of documents are successfully sent to the ingestion server. This can be useful if you need to log information about documents that were processed, for monitoring and reporting purposes.

To configure the file name of the Lua script to run, set the IngestBatchActions configuration parameter in the connector's configuration file.

- To run the script for all batches of documents that are ingested, set the parameter in the [Ingestion] section.
- To run the script for batches of documents retrieved by a specific task, set the parameter in the [TaskName] section.

**NOTE:** If you set the parameter in a [TaskName] section, the connector does not run any scripts specified in the [Ingestion] section for that task.

## For example:

[Ingestion]

IngestBatchActions0=LUA:./scripts/myScript.lua

For more information about this parameter, refer to the *Dynamics Connector Reference*.

The Lua script must have the following structure:

function batchhandler(documents, ingesttype)
...
end

The batchhandler function is called after each batch of documents is sent to the ingestion server. The function is passed the following arguments:

Argument	Description
documents	A table of document objects, where each object represents a document that was sent to the ingestion server.
	A document object is an internal representation of a document. You can modify the document object and this changes the document. However, as the script runs after the documents are sent to the ingestion server, any changes you make are not sent to CFS or IDOL.
ingesttype	A string that contains the ingest type for the documents. The batchhandler function is called multiple times if different document types are sent.

For example, the following script prints the ingest type (ADD, DELETE, or UPDATE) and the reference for all successfully processed documents to stdout:

```
function batchhandler(documents, ingesttype)
    for i,document in ipairs(documents) do
        local ref = document:getReference()
        print(ingesttype..": "..ref)
    end
end
```

# Chapter 10: Monitor the Connector

This section describes how to monitor the connector.

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# **IDOL Admin**

IDOL Admin is an administration interface for performing ACI server administration tasks, such as gathering status information, monitoring performance, and controlling the service. IDOL Admin provides an alternative to constructing actions and sending them from your web browser.

## **Prerequisites**

Dynamics Connector includes the admin.dat file that is required to run IDOL Admin.

IDOL Admin supports the following browsers:

- Edge
- · Chrome (latest version)
- Firefox (latest version)

## **Install IDOL Admin**

You must install IDOL Admin on the same host that the ACI server or component is installed on. To set up a component to use IDOL Admin, you must configure the location of the admin.dat file and enable Cross Origin Resource Sharing.

#### To install IDOL Admin

- 1. Stop the ACI server.
- 2. Save the admin.dat file to any directory on the host.
- 3. Using a text editor, open the ACI server or component configuration file. For the location of the configuration file, see the ACI server documentation.

- 4. In the [Paths] section of the configuration file, set the AdminFile parameter to the location of the admin.dat file. If you do not set this parameter, the ACI server attempts to find the admin.dat file in its working directory when you call the IDOL Admin interface.
- 5. Enable Cross Origin Resource Sharing.
- 6. In the [Service] section, add the Access-Control-Allow-Origin parameter and set its value to the URLs that you want to use to access the interface.

Each URL must include:

• the http://orhttps://prefix

**NOTE:** URLs can contain the https:// prefix if the ACI server or component has SSL enabled.

- · The host that IDOL Admin is installed on
- The ACI port of the component that you are using IDOL Admin for

Separate multiple URLs with spaces.

For example, you could specify different URLs for the local host and remote hosts:

```
Access-Control-Allow-Origin=http://localhost:9010
http://Computer1.Company.com:9010
```

Alternatively, you can set Access-Control-Allow-Origin=\*, which allows you to access IDOL Admin using any valid URL (for example, localhost, direct IP address, or the host name). The wildcard character (\*) is supported only if no other entries are specified.

If you do not set the Access-Control-Allow-Origin parameter, IDOL Admin can communicate only with the server's ACI port, and not the index or service ports.

7. Start the ACI server.

You can now access IDOL Admin (see Access IDOL Admin, below).

## **Access IDOL Admin**

You access IDOL Admin from a web browser. You can access the interface only through URLs that are set in the Access-Control-Allow-Origin parameter in the ACI server or component configuration file. For more information about configuring URL access, see Install IDOL Admin, on the previous page.

#### To access IDOL Admin

• Type the following URL into the address bar of your web browser:

```
http://host:port/action=admin
```

where:

host is the host name or IP address of the machine where the IDOL component is

installed.

port is the ACI port of the IDOL component you want to administer.

## **View Connector Statistics**

Dynamics Connector collects statistics about the work it has completed. The statistics that are available depend on the connector you are using, but all connectors provide information about the number and frequency of ingest-adds, ingest-updates, and ingest-deletes.

#### To view connector statistics

Use the GetStatistics service action, for example:

http://host:serviceport/action=GetStatistics

where *host* is the host name or IP address of the machine where the connector is installed, and *serviceport* is the connector's service port.

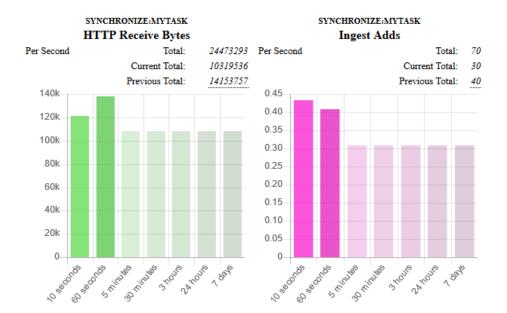
For information about the statistics that are returned, refer to the documentation for the GetStatistics service action.

The connector includes an XSL template (ConnectorStatistics.tmpl) that you can use to visualize the statistics. You can use the template by adding the template parameter to the request:

http://host:serviceport/action=GetStatistics&template=ConnectorStatistics

When you are using the ConnectorStatistics template, you can also add the filter parameter to the request to return specific statistics. The filter parameter accepts a regular expression that matches against the string <code>autnid::name</code>, where <code>autnid</code> and <code>name</code> are the values of the corresponding attributes in the XML returned by the <code>GetStatistics</code> action. For example, the following request returns statistics only for synchronize actions:

The following request returns statistics only for the task mytask:



The following image shows some example statistics returned by a connector:

Above each chart is a title, for example SYNCHRONIZE: MYTASK, that specifies the action and task to which the statistics belong.

You can see from the example that in the last 60 seconds, the connector has generated an average of approximately 0.4 ingest-adds per second. In the charts, partially transparent bars indicate that the connector has not completed collecting information for those time intervals. The information used to generate statistics is stored in memory, so is lost if you stop the connector.

The following information is presented above the chart for each statistic:

- **Total** is a running total since the connector started. In the example above, there have been 70 ingest-adds in total.
- **Current Total** is the total for the actions that are currently running. In the example above, the synchronize action that is running has resulted in 30 ingest-adds being sent to CFS.
- **Previous Total** provides the totals for previous actions. In the example above, the previous synchronize cycle resulted in 40 ingest-adds. To see the totals for the 24 most recent actions, hover the mouse pointer over the value.

# **Use the Connector Logs**

As the Dynamics Connector runs, it outputs messages to its logs. Most log messages occur due to normal operation, for example when the connector starts, receives actions, or sends documents for ingestion. If the connector encounters an error, the logs are the first place to look for information to help troubleshoot the problem.

The connector separates messages into the following message types, each of which relates to specific features:

Log Message Type	Description
Action	Logs actions that are received by the connector, and related messages.
Application	Logs application-related occurrences, such as when the connector starts.
Synchronize	Messages related to the Synchronize fetch action.
SynchronizeGroups	Messages related to the SynchronizeGroups fetch action.

# **Customize Logging**

You can customize logging by setting up your own *log streams*. Each log stream creates a separate log file in which specific log message types (for example, action, index, application, or import) are logged.

### To set up log streams

- 1. Open the Dynamics Connector configuration file in a text editor.
- 2. Find the [Logging] section. If the configuration file does not contain a [Logging] section, add one.
- 3. In the [Logging] section, create a list of the log streams that you want to set up, in the format N=LogStreamName. List the log streams in consecutive order, starting from 0 (zero). For example:

[Logging]
LogLevel=FULL
LogDirectory=logs
0=ApplicationLogStream
1=ActionLogStream

You can also use the [Logging] section to configure any default values for logging configuration parameters, such as LogLevel. For more information, see the *Dynamics Connector Reference*.

4. Create a new section for each of the log streams. Each section must have the same name as the log stream. For example:

[ApplicationLogStream]
[ActionLogStream]

5. Specify the settings for each log stream in the appropriate section. You can specify the type of logging to perform (for example, full logging), whether to display log messages on the console, the maximum size of log files, and so on. For example:

[ApplicationLogStream] LogTypeCSVs=application

LogFile=application.log LogHistorySize=50 LogTime=True LogEcho=False LogMaxSizeKBs=1024

[ActionLogStream]
LogTypeCSVs=action
LogFile=logs/action.log
LogHistorySize=50
LogTime=True
LogEcho=False
LogMaxSizeKBs=1024

6. Save and close the configuration file. Restart the service for your changes to take effect.

# Monitor Asynchronous Actions using Event Handlers

The fetch actions sent to a connector are asynchronous. Asynchronous actions do not run immediately, but are added to a queue. This means that the person or application that sends the action does not receive an immediate response. However, you can configure the connector to call an event handler when an asynchronous action starts, finishes, or encounters an error.

You can use an event handler to:

- return data about an event back to the application that sent the action.
- write event data to a text file, to log any errors that occur.

You can also use event handlers to monitor the size of asynchronous action queues. If a queue becomes full this might indicate a problem, or that applications are making requests to Dynamics Connector faster than they can be processed.

Dynamics Connector can call an event handler for the following events.

**OnStart** The OnStart event handler is called when Dynamics Connector starts

processing an asynchronous action.

OnFinish The OnFinish event handler is called when Dynamics Connector successfully

finishes processing an asynchronous action.

OnError The OnError event handler is called when an asynchronous action fails and

cannot continue.

OnQueueEvent The OnQueueEvent handler is called when an asynchronous action queue

becomes full, becomes empty, or the queue size passes certain thresholds.

· A QueueFull event occurs when the action queue becomes full.

- A QueueFilling event occurs when the queue size exceeds a configurable threshold (QueueFillingThreshold) and the last event was a QueueEmpty or QueueEmptying event.
- A QueueEmptying event occurs when the queue size falls below a configurable threshold (QueueEmptyingThreshold) and the last event was a QueueFull or QueueFilling event.
- A QueueEmpty event occurs when the action gueue becomes empty.

Dynamics Connector supports the following types of event handler:

- The TextFileHandler writes event data to a text file.
- The HttpHandler sends event data to a URL.
- The LuaHandler runs a Lua script. The event data is passed into the script.

## **Configure an Event Handler**

To configure an event handler, follow these steps.

### To configure an event handler

- 1. Stop the connector.
- 2. Open the connector's configuration file in a text editor.
- 3. Set the OnStart, OnFinish, OnError, or OnQueueEvent parameter to specify the name of a section in the configuration file that contains the event handler settings.
  - To run an event handler for all asynchronous actions, set these parameters in the [Actions] section. For example:

[Actions]
OnStart=NormalEvents
OnFinish=NormalEvents
OnError=ErrorEvents

To run an event handler for specific actions, use the action name as a section in the
configuration file. The following example calls an event handler when the Fetch action starts
and finishes successfully:

[Fetch]
OnStart=NormalEvents
OnFinish=NormalEvents

- 4. Create a new section in the configuration file to contain the settings for your event handler. You must name the section using the name you specified with the OnStart, OnFinish, OnError, or OnQueueEvent parameter.
- 5. In the new section, set the LibraryName parameter.

#### LibraryName

The type of event handler to use to handle the event:

- To write event data to a text file, set this parameter to TextFileHandler, and then set the FilePath parameter to specify the path of the file.
- To send event data to a URL, set this parameter to HttpHandler, and then use the HTTP event handler parameters to specify the URL, proxy server settings, credentials and so on.
- To run a Lua script, set this parameter to LuaHandler, and then set the LuaScript parameter to specify the script to run. For information about writing the script, see Write a Lua Script to Handle Events, below.

### For example:

[NormalEvents]
LibraryName=TextFileHandler
FilePath=./events.txt

[ErrorEvents]
LibraryName=LuaHandler
LuaScript=./error.lua

6. Save and close the configuration file. You must restart Dynamics Connector for your changes to take effect.

## Write a Lua Script to Handle Events

The Lua event handler runs a Lua script to handle events. The Lua script must contain a function named handler with the arguments request and xml, as shown below:

```
function handler(request, xml)
    ...
end
```

- request is a table holding the request parameters. For example, if the request was action=Example&MyParam=Value, the table will contain a key MyParam with the value Value. Some events, for example queue size events, are not related to a specific action and so the table might be empty.
- xml is a string of XML that contains information about the event.

# **Set Up Performance Monitoring**

You can configure a connector to pause tasks temporarily if performance indicators on the local machine or a remote machine breach certain limits. For example, if there is a high load on the CPU or memory of the repository from which you are retrieving information, you might want the connector to pause until the machine recovers.

**NOTE:** Performance monitoring is available on Windows platforms only. To monitor a remote machine, both the connector machine and remote machine must be running Windows.

## **Configure the Connector to Pause**

### To configure the connector to pause

- 1. Open the configuration file in a text editor.
- 2. Find the [FetchTasks] section, or a [TaskName] section.
  - To pause all tasks, use the [FetchTasks] section.
  - To specify settings for a single task, find the [TaskName] section for the task.
- 3. Set the following configuration parameters:

PerfMonCounterNameN	The names of the performance counters that you want the	
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connector to monitor. You can use any counter that is available

in the Windows perfmon utility.

PerfMonCounterMinN The minimum value permitted for the specified performance

counter. If the counter falls below this value, the connector pauses until the counter meets the limits again. This parameter is optional but you should set a minimum value, maximum

value (with PerfMonCounterMaxN), or both.

PerfMonCounterMaxN The maximum value permitted for the specified performance

counter. If the counter exceeds this value, the connector pauses until the counter meets the limits again. This parameter is optional but you should set a maximum value, minimum

value (with PerfMonCounterMinN), or both.

PerfMonAvgOverReadings (Optional) The number of readings that the connector

averages before checking a performance counter against the specified limits. For example, if you set this parameter to 5, the connector averages the last five readings and pauses only if the average breaches the limits. Increasing this value makes the connector less likely to pause if the limits are breached for a short time. Decreasing this value allows the connector to

continue working faster following a pause.

PerfMonQueryFrequency (Optional) The amount of time, in seconds, that the connector

waits between taking readings from a performance counter.

For example:

[FetchTasks]

PerfMonCounterName0=\\machine-hostname\Memory\Available MBytes

PerfMonCounterMin0=1024

PerfMonCounterName1=\\machine-hostname\Processor(\_Total)\% Processor Time PerfMonCounterMax1=70

```
PerfMonAvgOverReadings=5
PerfMonQueryFrequency=10
```

4. Save and close the configuration file.

## **Determine if an Action is Paused**

To determine whether an action has been paused for performance reasons, use the QueueInfo action:

/action=queueInfo&queueAction=getStatus&queueName=fetch

You can also include the optional token parameter to return information about a single action:

/action=queueInfo&queueAction=getStatus&queueName=fetch&token=...

The connector returns the status, for example:

```
<autnresponse>
 <action>QUEUEINFO</action>
 <response>SUCCESS</response>
 <responsedata>
   <actions>
     <action owner="2266112570">
       <status>Processing</status>
       <queued_time>2016-Jul-27 14:49:40</queued_time>
       <time_in_queue>1</time_in_queue>
       cprocess_start_time>2016-Jul-27 14:49:41
       <time_processing>219</time_processing>
       <documentcounts>
         <documentcount errors="0" task="MYTASK"/>
       </documentcounts>
       <fetchaction>SYNCHRONIZE</fetchaction>
       <pausedforperformance>true</pausedforperformance>
       <token>...</token>
     </action>
   </actions>
 </responsedata>
</authresponse>
```

When the element pausedforperformance has a value of true, the connector has paused the task for performance reasons. If the pausedforperformance element is not present in the response, the connector has not paused the task.

# Set Up Document Tracking

Document tracking reports metadata about documents when they pass through various stages in the indexing process. For example, when a connector finds a new document and sends it for ingestion, a document tracking event is created that shows the document has been added. Document tracking can help you detect problems with the indexing process.

You can write document tracking events to a database, log file, or IDOL Server. For information about how to set up a database to store document tracking events, refer to the *IDOL Server Administration Guide*.

### To enable Document Tracking

- 1. Open the connector's configuration file.
- 2. Create a new section in the configuration file, named [DocumentTracking].
- 3. In the new section, specify where the document tracking events are sent.
  - To send document tracking events to a database through ODBC, set the following parameters:

Backend To send document tracking events to a database, set this

parameter to **Library**.

LibraryPath Specify the location of the ODBC document tracking library. This

is included with IDOL Server.

ConnectionString The ODBC connection string for the database.

For example:

[DocumentTracking]
Backend=Library

 $\label{libraryPath=C:Autonomy\IDOLServer\IDOL\modules\dt\_odbc.dll} \label{libraryPath=C:Autonomy\IDOLServer\IDOL\modules\dt\_odbc.dll}$ 

ConnectionString=DSN=MyDatabase

 To send document tracking events to the connector's synchronize log, set the following parameters:

Backend To send document tracking events to the connector's logs, set this

parameter to Log.

DatabaseName The name of the log stream to send the document tracking events to.

Set this parameter to synchronize.

For example:

[DocumentTracking]

Backend=Log

DatabaseName=synchronize

• To send document tracking events to an IDOL Server, set the following parameters:

Backend To send document tracking events to an IDOL Server, set this parameter

to IDOL.

TargetHost The host name or IP address of the IDOL Server.

TargetPort The index port of the IDOL Server.

For example:

[DocumentTracking]

Backend=IDOL

TargetHost=idol

TargetPort=9001

For more information about the parameters you can use to configure document tracking, refer to the *Dynamics Connector Reference*.

4. Save and close the configuration file.

# Glossary

## Α

## **ACI (Autonomy Content Infrastructure)**

A technology layer that automates operations on unstructured information for cross-enterprise applications. ACI enables an automated and compatible business-to-business, peer-to-peer infrastructure. The ACI allows enterprise applications to understand and process content that exists in unstructured formats, such as email, Web pages, Microsoft Office documents, and IBM Notes.

#### **ACI Server**

A server component that runs on the Autonomy Content Infrastructure (ACI).

## ACL (access control list)

An ACL is metadata associated with a document that defines which users and groups are permitted to access the document.

#### action

A request sent to an ACI server.

#### active directory

A domain controller for the Microsoft Windows operating system, which uses LDAP to authenticate users and computers on a network.

#### C

### Category component

The IDOL Server component that manages categorization and clustering.

### **Community component**

The IDOL Server component that manages users and communities.

#### connector

An IDOL component (for example File System Connector) that retrieves information from a local or remote repository (for example, a file system, database, or Web site).

#### **Connector Framework Server (CFS)**

Connector Framework Server processes the information that is retrieved by connectors. Connector Framework Server uses KeyView to extract document content and metadata from over 1,000 different file types. When the information has been processed, it is sent to an IDOL Server or Distributed Index Handler (DIH).

## Content component

The IDOL Server component that manages the data index and performs most of the search and retrieval operations from the index.

#### D

### **DAH (Distributed Action Handler)**

DAH distributes actions to multiple copies of IDOL Server or a component. It allows you to use failover, load balancing, or distributed content.

#### **DIH (Distributed Index Handler)**

DIH allows you to efficiently split and index extremely large quantities of data into multiple copies of IDOL Server or the Content component. DIH allows you to create a scalable solution that delivers high performance and high availability. It provides a flexible way to batch, route, and categorize the indexing of internal and external content into IDOL Server.

#### ı

#### IDOL

The Intelligent Data Operating Layer (IDOL) Server, which integrates unstructured, semi-structured and structured information from multiple repositories through an understanding of the content. It delivers a real-time environment in which operations across applications and content are automated.

### **IDOL Proxy component**

An IDOL Server component that accepts incoming actions and distributes them to the appropriate subcomponent. IDOL Proxy also performs some maintenance operations to make sure that the subcomponents are running, and to start and stop them when necessary.

### **Import**

Importing is the process where CFS, using KeyView, extracts metadata, content, and sub-files from items retrieved by a connector. CFS adds the information to documents so that it is indexed into IDOL Server. Importing allows IDOL server to use the information in a repository, without needing to process the information in its native format.

## Ingest

Ingestion converts information that exists in a repository into documents that can be indexed into IDOL Server. Ingestion starts when a connector finds new documents in a repository, or documents that have been updated or deleted, and sends this information to CFS. Ingestion includes the import process, and processing tasks that can modify and enrich the information in a document.

# Intellectual Asset Protection System (IAS)

An integrated security solution to protect your data. At the front end, authentication checks that users are allowed to access the system that contains the result data. At the back end, entitlement checking and authentication combine to ensure that query results contain only documents that the user is allowed to see, from repositories that the user has permission to access. For more information, refer to the IDOL Document Security Administration Guide.

## K

### **KeyView**

The IDOL component that extracts data, including text, metadata, and subfiles from over 1,000 different file types. KeyView can also convert documents to HTML format for viewing in a Web browser.

#### ı

## LDAP

Lightweight Directory Access Protocol. Applications can use LDAP to retrieve information from a server. LDAP is used for directory services (such as corporate email and telephone directories) and user authentication. See also: active directory, primary domain controller.

#### **License Server**

License Server enables you to license and run multiple IDOL solutions. You must have a License Server on a machine with a known, static IP address.

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### OmniGroupServer (OGS)

A server that manages access permissions for your users. It communicates with your repositories and IDOL Server to apply access permissions to documents.

### P

## primary domain controller

A server computer in a Microsoft Windows domain that controls various computer resources. See also: active directory, LDAP.

### V

#### View

An IDOL component that converts files in a repository to HTML formats for viewing in a Web browser.

## W

#### Wildcard

A character that stands in for any character or group of characters in a query.

## X

#### **XML**

Extensible Markup Language. XML is a language that defines the different attributes of document content in a format that can be read by humans and machines. In IDOL Server, you can index documents in XML format. IDOL Server also returns action responses in XML format.

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