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Preface

About the System Guide

The System Guide is included with the OpenFusion CORBA Services' Documentation Set. The System Guide provides:

- general information necessary to develop, use, configure and manage the OpenFusion Services and its related framework
- information about the *OpenFusion Graphical Tools*
- information about common service configuration, properties, and instrumentation

Configuration and property information specific to an individual service or interface is provided in that service's or interface's service guide.

The *System Guide* is intended to be used with the individual service and interface guides, and with other OpenFusion documents included with the product distribution: A complete list of documents, comprising the OpenFusion CORBA Services *Documentation Set*, is included in the *Product Guide*.

Intended Audience

The *System Guide* is intended to be used by users, developers, and administrators who wish to integrate or manage the OpenFusion CORBA Services into or with their applications and products. Readers who use this guide should have a good understanding of the relevant programming languages (*e.g.* Java, IDL) and the relevant underlying technologies (*e.g.* J2EE, CORBA).

Organisation

The System Guide covers the following topics:

- how to run the OpenFusion Services
- a description of the Administration Manager, which is used to configure the OpenFusion Services and launch the Service Managers
- details of common properties
- how to configure and use remote JMX Instrumentation
- service portability issues (portability classes, user-defined clients and servers, OpenFusion IDL compilation, and C++ Support)
- how to configure a JDBC data source to provide a persistent storage mechanism for OpenFusion Services
- details of various command-line tools provided with OpenFusion
- how to configure and use the OpenFusion Security Service to apply access control to CORBA Services and Java Objects



Appendix A, *XML Configuration Files*, describes how the Service configuration files are stored in the OpenFusion installation. This appendix is only relevant to developers who want to edit the configuration files programmatically; configuration should normally be performed through the Administration Manager, where the configuration files are hidden from the user.

Appendix B, *Log Messages* describes how to use pattern layouts to configure log messages for any Service.

Appendix C, *Managing Java Objects*, describes how to configure user-defined Java Objects to make them available for management through the Administration Manager.

i The full text of this guide is also available as on-line help, accessible from the Administration Manager.

Conventions

The conventions listed below are used to guide and assist the reader in understanding the System Guide.



Item of special significance or where caution needs to be taken.



Item contains helpful hint or special information.



Information applies to Windows (e.g. NT, 2000, XP) only.

UNIX

Information applies to Unix based systems (e.g. Solaris) only.



C language specific

C++

C++ language specific

Java

Java language specific

Hypertext links are shown as blue italic underlined.

On-Line (PDF) versions of this document: Cross-references, e.g. 'see Contacts on page xv', act as hypertext links; click on the reference to go to the item.

```
% Commands or input which the user enters on the
command line of their computer terminal
```

Courier fonts indicate programming code and file names.

Extended code fragments are shown in shaded boxes:

```
NameComponent newName[] = new NameComponent[1];

// set id field to "example" and kind field to an empty string
newName[0] = new NameComponent ("example", "");
```

Italics and Italic Bold indicate new terms or emphasise an item.

Sans-serif Bold indicates user-related actions, *e.g.* **File | Save** from a menu.

Step 1: One of several steps required to complete a task.

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Preface

COMMON SYSTEM OPERATIONS

CHAPTER

Running Servers

This section describes the ways in which the OpenFusion CORBA Services can be started, either from the Administration Manager or from command-line scripts.

j Explanatory Note

The terms *server* and *service* are often used interchangeably. However, there is a subtle and important distinction:

- a *service* is a set or collection of features, functions, etc. (e.g. the OMG Notification Service or OMG Naming Service)
- a *server* is an entity which provides services and makes their features, etc. available for use

A server must be running before a service can be provided. A single server can provide one or more services.

1.1 Starting Servers from the Administration Manager

- **Step 1:** Ensure that the environment is correctly configured and as described in the *OpenFusion Product Guide*.
- Step 2: Running the ORB Daemons

Start or check that the appropriate ORB daemon is running, if required: please refer to the *OpenFusion Product Guide* and your ORB's documentation.

- When servers are run on fixed ports, an ORB daemon may not be necessary.
- **Step 3:** Configure the System

OpenFusion can be configured using the Administration Manager.

Step 4: Starting the Administration Manager

The Administration Manager can be started by selecting **Start | Programs | OpenFusion | Administration Manager** from the **taskbar** or by running the following batch file:

> <install_dir>\bin\manager

where <install_dir> is the OpenFusion installation directory.





Use the following script to start the Administration Manager:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/manager
```

where <install dir> is the OpenFusion installation directory.



When the OpenFusion Naming Service is used with Orbix 2000 on Unix, the Administration Manager should be started with a -x parameter as follows:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/manager -x
```

This ensures that the JDK CosNaming classes are not in the CLASSPATH and prevents problems with the Naming Services Manager.

Step 5: Starting and Stopping Servers

The Administration Manager can be used to manage servers.

To start a server, right-click on the *service* name and select **Start** from the pop-up menu.



If the **Name Service Entry** field is filled in at the time of system configuration, the **NameService** server must be started first.

1.2 Starting Servers from the Command Line

Individual servers can also be controlled from the command line using a server script.



No servers can be started from the command line until the XML configuration files have been fully populated using either the Administration Manager or the command line Administration tool. See Section 7.2, *Administration Manager Tool*, on page 111 for details.

The server command and its options are:

```
server [ -x ] (-start | -exec | -run | -restart | -stop |
-halt | -status | -statusloop x) service [configURL]

where

-start Start server
-exec Start server and wait for startup
-run Start server and wait for termination
-restart Start server and restart on termination
-halt Stop server and wait for stopped
-stop Stop server
-status Print server status
```

```
-statusloop xPrint server status every x seconds.

service Service name

configuration URL for the service configuration XML
```

The server script takes a command-line option followed by one or more server names. For example, the *XYZServer* (where *XYZServer* is the server you want to start) can be started from the command line with:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -start XYZServer
```

where <install dir> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

Alternatively, the server can be run in the foreground, rather than the background, with:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -run XYZServer
```

It is also possible to start a server so that it is automatically restarted on any abnormal exit. To do this, use the -restart option:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -restart XYZServer
```

This is a blocking operation, so to stop the server either the Administration Manager or another shell should be used.

In order to stop a running server, use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -stop XYZServer
```

To stop a server and wait for the server to be stopped, use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -halt XYZServer
```

To check whether a server is already running, use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -status XYZServer
```

To output the status of a server every x seconds, use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -statusloop x XYZServer
```

Use the -status command without specifying a server name to show the status of all supported servers.



To start a server and wait for startup (that is, use a blocking call to the server), use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -exec XYZServer
```

The -x option runs the JVM using the -xbootclasspath flag. (See *Use Xbootclasspath* in Section 3.5, *Java Properties* for further details on the Xbootclasspath flag.) For example, use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -start -x XYZServer
```

A service can be specified by supplying a complete URL to the service configuration xml file after the name of the service.

```
% <install_dir>/bin/server -start XYZServer file:/<path>/XYZService.xml
```

All the servers configured to run on the local node can be controlled via the node script. This node script has -start, -stop, -status, and -x options.

To start every server on the local node, use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/node -start
```

To stop every server on the local node, use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/node -stop
```

To check whether servers on the local node are running, use:

```
% <install_dir>/bin/node -status
```

Status and other information about servers residing on nodes other than the default node (*localhost*) can be obtained by altering the OF_Node_URL property.

For example, to set OF_Node_URL to a valid, existing node called mynode under OpenFusion, change the default value from:



bin/.javaenv or

bin\server.bat

OpenFusion Graphical Tools

The OpenFusion Graphical Tools can be used to configure, test, and manage the OpenFusion CORBA Services (OpenFusion).

2.1 The Browser Framework

All *service managers* and *browsers* use the same *browser framework*, which provides common menus and tool bars. Common functions are standardised between individual browsers so each new browser presents a gentle learning curve.

New browsers can be opened to manage individual service elements. Each new browser opens in the browser framework as a new panel identified by a named tab. Switch between different browsers by clicking on the browsers' name tabs.

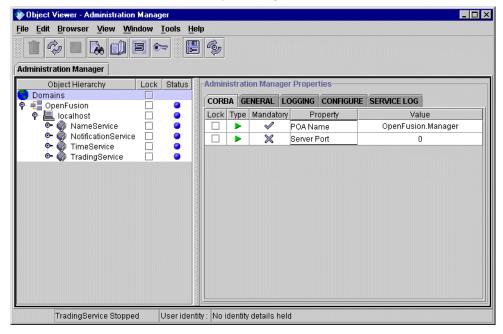


Figure 1 OpenFusion Browser Framework

The hub of the browser framework is the Administration Manager. This is where OpenFusion can be configured and controlled.



2.1.1 Starting the Administration Manager



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<install_dir>/bin/manager -x

2.1.1.1 Command Line Switches

The following command line switches can be used when starting the Administration Manager:

-noorb

Start the Administration Manager without a connection to an ORB. This does not allow Services to be started or stopped, and does not report any status information from Services. The Manager can be used purely as an XML configuration tool.

-port

The Administration Manager attempts to start on the port specified in the **Server Port** property on the Administration Manager properties panel.

-remote

The Administration Manager will only show configurations which can be managed from the node the manager is started from.

-x

Use the Xbootclasspath when starting the Manager.

-help

Gives usage information on the command line switches. The switches --help and -2 can also be used

2.1.1.2 Domain Configuration Parameters

By default, configuration information for an OpenFusion CORBA Services installation is located under the OpenFusion installation directory. If this directory is changed (to allow configuration from a remote host, for example), environment variables must be set to specify the locations of the correct directories.

The three environment variables listed below point to the configuration directories at different levels of the OpenFusion hierarchy. (The hierarchy is explained in *Object Hierarchy* on page 10.) These variables must be expressed as valid *URL* strings.

Example:



set OF_DOMAINS_URL=file://C:\Program
Files\PrismTech\OpenFusionV4\domains



export

OF_DOMAINS_URL=file:///usr/users/PrismTech/OpenFusionV4/domains

```
OF_DOMAINS_URL
```

The location of the top-level domains directory, expressed as a file-based URL. This defaults to:

```
file://<INSTALL>/domains
```

Where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

```
OF_DOMAIN_URL
```

The location of the OpenFusion domain directory, expressed as a file-based URL. This defaults to:

```
file://<INSTALL>/domains/OpenFusion
```

```
OF_NODE_URL
```

The location of the *node* directory, expressed as a file-based URL. This defaults to:

file://<INSTALL>/domains/OpenFusion/localhost

2.2 Administration Manager

The Administration Manager is used to configure the OpenFusion Services and to manage (stop and start) the Services. The Administration Manager is extensible and can be used to configure user-created Java Objects.

The Administration Manager has two panes:

- The left-hand pane shows the **Object Hierarchy** of the OpenFusion installation.
- The right-hand pane shows the configurable properties for the object selected in the hierarchy.



2.2.1 Object Hierarchy

The left-hand pane of the Administration Manager shows all services, Singletons, and Java Objects, and the domains that contain them, in a tree structure, as shown in *Figure 2*.

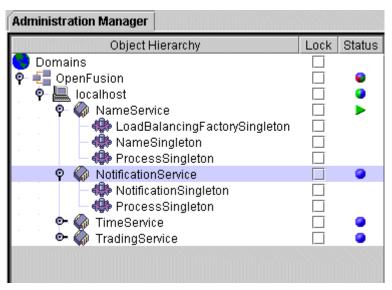


Figure 2 The Object Hierarchy

Domains are high-level organisational units. The default hierarchy shows all installed OpenFusion Services under a single domain. This hierarchy can be restructured and extended as required, as described in *Extending the Object Hierarchy* on page 15.

Nodes represent actual hardware devices within the domain and are given the name of the machine they represent. The default hierarchy shows the local machine as a node called **localhost**. This node can be deleted and replaced with a node which uses the computer name, if required. There is no difference, functionally, between using the machine name and the name **localhost**.

A Service is a logical group of Singletons and Java Objects that are controlled together. Groups of Services can be started together at the node or domain level.

Each of the OpenFusion Services is represented by a Service node in the Object Hierarchy. New Services can be created, which can contain different permutations of Singletons and Java Objects.

Every Service should contain a **ProcessSingleton**. The **ProcessSingleton** is the object which allows the Service to be controlled from the Administration Manager.

Every OpenFusion CORBA object is represented by a Singleton in the **Object Hierarchy**. Additional Singletons and Java Objects can be added to the hierarchy, either to existing OpenFusion Services or to user-created Services.

Java Objects should be co-located with CORBA Singletons in a Service. A Service which contains Java Objects and no Singletons cannot be monitored correctly for its status and cannot be controlled from the Administration Manager.

See Extending the Object Hierarchy on page 15 for details of adding nodes, Services, and Singletons. See Section 2.4, Distributed Installation Configuration, on page 31 for details of how multiple nodes can be managed from a central host.

2.2.1.1 Tool Tips

Every node in the **Object Hierarchy** has an associated tool tip which provides information about that node. To see the tool tip, hover the mouse pointer over the node, as shown in *Figure 3*.

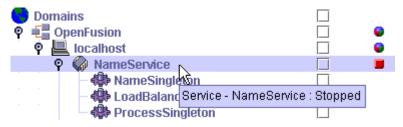


Figure 3 Viewing Tool Tips

The tool tip gives the type of node (Domain, Service, Singleton, etc.), the name of the node, and the status of the node (see *Status* on page 12).

2.2.1.2 Object Hierarchy Icons

Different nodes in the **Object Hierarchy** are identified by different icons. These icons are shown in *Table 1*.



Table 1 Object Hierarchy Icons

Icon	Object
	Root node
•	No actions can be performed at this level of the hierarchy, other than adding new domains and saving. Administration Manager properties can be amended at this level.
	Domain
€	An organisational grouping.
	Node
	A hardware device which runs OpenFusion Services. localhost is the default node. Other devices can be added as nodes.
	Service
	Singletons and Java Objects are grouped under Services and are started and stopped together at the Service level. Service-level properties can be set in the right-hand pane.
	Singleton
4	Represents an underlying CORBA object. Properties can be set in the right-hand pane.
	Java Object
₽3	Represents an underlying Java object. Properties can be set in the right-hand pane.
	Unlicenced Singleton
**	Singletons cannot be started if a valid license file is not present.
	Unlicenced Java Object
	Java Objects cannot be started if a valid license file is not present.

2.2.1.3 Status

A coloured icon in the **Status** column of the tree view shows the current status of each service.

Parent nodes can show an indeterminate status. This is used when the node's child nodes have mixed status (for example, some are stopped and some are started). Status icons are shown in *Table 2*.

Table 2 Service Status Icons

Icon	Status
	Running
>	The service is running normally.
	Stopped
•	The service is stopped.
	Starting (yellow)
•	The service is in the process of starting. This icon will be displayed while the browser is polling the server to determine if the service has started. The icon will eventually change to show Running (if the service starts normally) or the state of the service prior to the start command being issued (if the request times out without starting the service).
	Unknown (blue)
•	The status of the object hierarchy node is unknown (has never been started). This icon is displayed when the browser is first loaded or a node is restored.
	Indeterminate (mixed red/green/blue)
•	This icon is used for an object hierarchy node when its child nodes have a mix of different statuses, or when one of the child nodes has an indeterminate status.



Table 2 Service Status Icons (Continued)

Icon	Status
	Indeterminate (mixed red/green)
•	This icon is used for an object hierarchy node when its child nodes are a mix of running and stopped status.
	Indeterminate (mixed green/blue)
•	This icon is used for an object hierarchy node when its child nodes are a mix of running and unknown status.
	Indeterminate (mixed red/blue)
•	This icon is used for an object hierarchy node when its child nodes are a mix of stopped and unknown status.

The status is also shown in the tool tip for each Service.

2.2.1.4 Starting the Services

Services can be started or stopped individually.

To start a service, right-click on the service name in the **Object Hierarchy** and select **Start** from the pop-up menu.

To stop a running service, right-click on the service name in the **Object Hierarchy** and select **Stop** from the pop-up menu.



Some properties cannot be modified after a service is started, so the service must be properly configured beforehand.

To start (or stop) a collection of services, right-click on the services' parent node and select **Start** (or **Stop**) from the pop-up menu. Services are started and stopped in the order they appear in the **Object Hierarchy**.

If an object hierarchy node cannot be started (that is, the option is disabled), then it is likely that it has an unlicenced child node or that the Node object hierarchy node is not valid for the hardware device that the Administration Manager is being invoked from, noting that <code>localhost</code> is always valid.

Before a service is started, the system automatically saves the service configuration. If there are mandatory properties for the service which have not been completed, the service will not start, a warning will be displayed, and the missing property will be noted in the browser log.

2.2.1.5 Extending the Object Hierarchy

The **Object Hierarchy** can be extended with new Domains, Nodes, Services, Singletons, and Java Objects.

The default Object Hierarchy shows all installed OpenFusion Services grouped under a single node under a single domain. Extending the Object Hierarchy provides a more flexible approach to managing the OpenFusion installation.

For example it may be necessary to run a particular Service in different configurations at different times. Instead of re-setting all the properties for the Service when it is run in another configuration, copies of the Service could be created under different domains. Each could be configured with the required properties. Then, to switch between configurations, simply stop one domain and start the other.

Another use for multiple domains would be to set up different combinations of Services that should be started together.

Nodes can be used to represent different servers within the domain.

New Services can be created to manage user-created Java Objects.

Other ways of grouping domains, nodes, and services will suggest themselves based on the way OpenFusion is used in a particular installation.

2.2.1.5.1 Adding Nodes

Domains and Services are simply organisational groupings and can be added without restriction

Nodes represent hardware devices running CORBA Services. A node can only be managed through the Administration Manager if it is given a valid device name (localhost is always valid).

To add a node, right-click on the parent node and select **Add Domain**, **Add Node**, or **Add Service** (the command depends on the level you are adding to) from the pop-up menu, as shown in *Figure 4*.



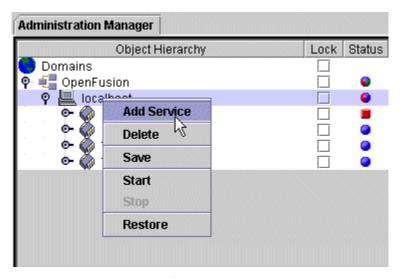


Figure 4 Adding a Node

Enter a name for the node. Node names must be unique within the scope of their parent nodes. You can re-use a name if it is under a different parent. Names can only contain alphanumeric characters.



When a new Service is added, a *ProcessSingleton* is automatically created beneath it. This allows the service to be managed by the Administration Manager: it is not recommended that users have a service without a *ProcessSingleton*.

2.2.1.5.2 Adding Singletons and Java Objects

Singletons and Java Objects can only be added under Service nodes of the **Object Hierarchy**.

Singletons and Java Objects in the **Object Hierarchy** are representations of underlying objects and so only objects which already exist are available for adding to a Service.



The Resolve Name of the Naming Service Singleton must be unique within the whole Domain, not just within the scope of the parent node (localhost by default). The Resolve Name must be unique to avoid the possibility of two objects attempting to register themselves in the NameService with the same name.

To add a Singleton or Java Object, right-click on a Service node and select **Add** from the pop-up menu. Select either **Singleton** or **Java Object** to see a menu of available objects. Objects that cannot be added to the Service are greyed-out. Select the required object from the list, as shown in *Figure 5*.

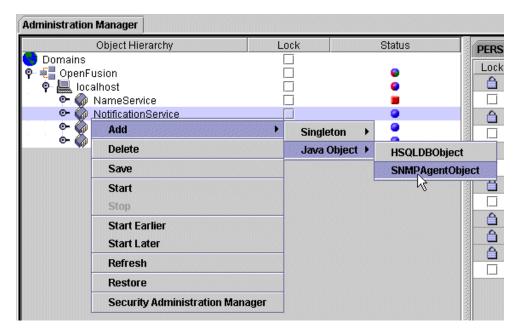


Figure 5 Adding a Java Object

It is not possible to have two instances of the same Singleton or Java Object under one Service.

If the same Singleton or Java Object is added under two different Services, they are two separate instances and properties changed in one instance will not affect the other instance.

2.2.1.5.3 Deleting Nodes

To delete a node from the **Object Hierarchy**, right-click the node and select **Delete** from the pop-up menu, as shown in *Figure 6*.



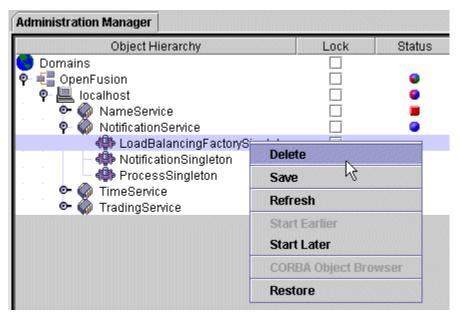


Figure 6 Deleting a Singleton

When a node is deleted, all children and all properties and settings of that node are also deleted.

A deleted node cannot be recovered, but a new node with the same name as the deleted node can be added later.

2.2.1.5.4 Changing the Ordering of Services and Singletons

The order of Services beneath nodes and Singletons/Java Objects beneath Services can be altered. The order is important as it determines the sequence in which Singletons and Java Objects will start when a node is started.

To move a Service, Singleton, or Java Object higher up the list, right-click on the node and select **Start Earlier** from the pop-up menu.

To move a Service, Singleton, or Java Object down the list, right-click on the node and select **Start Later** from the pop-up menu.

The **ProcessSingleton** is always the last Singleton in a Service and cannot be moved up.

2.2.2 Locking

Locking a property prevents that property from being updated. Single properties can be locked selectively, or an entire node in the **Object Hierarchy** can be locked.

This is not intended as a security measure. It is a simple matter to unlock a locked node or property. The purpose of the lock is to prevent accidental changes, and to prevent global changes from cascading through to a locked property.

Locking a property in the Administration Manager browser does not lock the property in the underlying CORBA object and does not prevent the property being changed programmatically.

The locked state of nodes and properties is saved when the browser is closed, so locks are restored when the browser is reloaded

2.2.2.1 Locking Nodes

To lock a node in the **Object Hierarchy**, check the box in the **Lock** column for that node. To unlock the node, clear the checkbox.

Locks cascade to nodes lower in the hierarchy. If a Service is locked, the Singletons under that Service are also locked. If a domain is locked, the entire hierarchy under that domain is locked.

Nodes which have been locked by a cascade from a node higher in the hierarchy display a padlock icon in the **Lock** column. These nodes cannot be unlocked individually; the parent node much be unlocked first.

When a node is locked, all properties for the node are locked and cannot be individually unlocked. You can, however, selectively lock properties without locking an entire node. If a property is selectively locked and then a lock is applied to a higher node, the individual lock is retained if the higher lock is removed.

Starting a Service node can also cause some of the properties for that Service to be locked. Whether a property is locked or not when the Service starts is determined by the **Type** of the property (see *Type* on page 21).

2.2.2.2 Locking Properties

Properties can be locked for a number of reasons. Locked properties display a padlock icon in the **Lock** column and are coloured grey.

When a node is locked, all properties for that node automatically become locked. The only way to unlock these properties is to unlock the node.

Some properties are locked based on **Type** (see *Type* on page 21):

- *Fixed* properties are locked as soon as the Service is first activated (and cannot be unlocked, even if the Service is subsequently stopped).
- *Static* properties are locked while the Service is running and unlocked when the Service is stopped.



Some properties are locked based on the value of another property. For example, if the Security Enabled property for a service is checked, the other properties on the Security tab are unlocked and available. If the Security Enabled property is unchecked, then the other security properties are not needed and are all locked.

Any property can be locked individually, at the user's discretion. To lock a single property, check the box in the **Lock** column for that property. To unlock the property, clear the checkbox.

2.2.3 Restoring Services and Singletons

It is possible to restore all, or selected, Services and Singletons to their default (as supplied) states.

When a Singleton is restored, the IOR for the Singleton is deleted from the domains directory structure. (See *XML Configuration Files* on page 145 for details of how the domains directory structure maps the **Object Hierarchy**.)

When a Service is restored, the Service's data directory contents and log file are deleted and the IORs for each of that Service's Singletons are deleted.

The **Restore** command can be used at higher levels of the Object Hierarchy to restore all Services below the selected node.



Use this command with caution.

To restore a Service or a Singleton, right-click it in the **Object Hierarchy**.

- 1. Click **Restore** from the pop-up menu.
- 2. Set or clear the **Restore default properties** check-box:
 - a) If is **not** checked, then the data directory contents and log file for the service node are deleted and the IOR files for each singleton is deleted for each service.
 - b) If is **checked**, then all property values are returned to their default values.

2.2.4 Properties

The right-hand panel of the Administration Manager (*Figure 7*) shows the properties for the node selected in the Object Hierarchy.

PERSISTENCE		CORBA SE	ECURITY SYSTEM JAVA LOGGING	SERVICE LOG MEMORY PROFILER
Lock	Туре	Mandatory	Property	Value
		×	Storage Write Interval	0
		×	Storage Write Batch Size	0
	>	×	JDBC Auto-create tables	V
	•	×	JDBC Handler	
	•	</td <td>JDBC Database Type</td> <td>HSQLDB ▼</td>	JDBC Database Type	HSQLDB ▼
	•	</td <td>JDBC URL</td> <td>jdbc:hsqldb:G:/PrismTech/OFv4/dom</td>	JDBC URL	jdbc:hsqldb:G:/PrismTech/OFv4/dom
	•	×	JDBC Driver	
	•	×	JDBC Logging	
	•	</td <td>JDBC User</td> <td>sa</td>	JDBC User	sa
	•	×	JDBC Password	
	•	×	Server Persistent ID	

Figure 7 Administration Browser Properties Pane

Each service has properties arranged on tabbed panels. Utilities for service management are in the **Service Log** and **Memory Profiler** panels.

The following sections give basic instructions for working with properties. Details of how specific properties can be used for configuring individual Services are described in the sections dealing with each Service.

2.2.4.1 Type

Every property has a type, which defines how and when the property value can be changed. These types are identified by icons in the **Type** column, shown in *Table 3*.

Fixed
The property can only be changed before the Service is started for the first time.

Dynamic
The property can be changed at any time, including while the Service is running.

Static
The property can only be changed when the Service is stopped.

Table 3 Property Types



2.2.4.1.1 Setting Properties Dynamically



If the value of a dynamic property is changed in the Administration Manager while the Service is running, the **Set** menu option *must* be used to update the property in the underlying CORBA object (see *Set* on page 24).

2.2.4.2 Mandatory

Some properties are defined as mandatory. A mandatory property is one which must be given a value before the Service is started and cannot be left blank. Zero (0) is a valid entry for a mandatory integer property.

The icons used in the **Mandatory** column to indicate mandatory properties are shown in *Table 4*.

Icon	Mandatory Status	
	Optional	
×	The Service will start successfully with this property left blank.	
	Mandatory property (blue tick)	
<₽	The Service will not start if this property is blank.	
	Incomplete mandatory property (red tick)	
✓	This icon is used for a mandatory property which has been left blank. A Service will not start if any of its properties show red ticks.	

Table 4 Mandatory Properties

A node can be saved with mandatory properties left incomplete but a warning message will be displayed.

2.2.4.3 Accessibility

Properties can be read only or read/write. Read-only properties display information which can never be amended in the Administration Manager. Read/write properties can be amended (unless locked).

Read-only properties are indicated by grey shading. This is the same look as a locked property, but there is no icon in the **Lock** column for a read-only property.

2.2.4.4 Conditional Properties

Some properties will not appear on the Administration Manager property panel because they are *conditional* properties. These are properties which apply only to specific system configurations. For example, some properties relate to a specific ORB and will not appear on the screen if a different ORB is in use.

2.2.4.5 Assigning Values to Properties

A property with a boolean data type has a checkbox in the **Value** field. If the checkbox is ticked, the property is set to **true**. If the box is cleared, the property is set to **false**. To change the state of the checkbox, click it once.

A property with an enumerated data type has a drop-down list of valid values. To set the property, click the arrow at the right of the **Value** field and select a value from the list.

All other property values accept keyboard input. To set or edit the property, click in the **Value** field and type the required value.

2.2.4.5.1 Property Validation

Some property types are validated and will produce an error message if an invalid value is entered:

- *INTEGER* properties will only accept numeric input.
- *UUID* properties will only accept a string which is a valid UUID.
- *URL* properties will only accept a string which is a valid URL format. Only file, gopher, and http URL formats are accepted.
- COUNTER properties will only accept numeric input.

2.2.4.5.2 Entering Directory Paths

If the special characters \$\$are entered into a property field, the directory path of the current node is substituted. For example, if \$\$ is entered for a property of the NotificationSingleton, the following string is substituted:

<install_dir>/domains/OpenFusion/localhost/NotificationSer
vice/NotificationSingleton

Where <install_dir> is the OpenFusion installation directory and the directory path is entered as a continuous string (no carriage returns).

For example, enter the following to specify the location of the NotificationSingleton.ior file:

\$\$NotificationSingleton.ior

Note that the \$\$substitution includes the trailing slash of the directory path, so entering the following text would be incorrect (resulting in a double-slash):



\$\$/NotificationSingleton.ior

2.2.4.6 Actions that Can be Performed on Properties

Each type of property has a set of actions which can be performed on it. Right-click the property row to access a pop-up menu of actions.

The following actions are available.

2.2.4.6.1 Reset Counter

This action resets the counter to zero.

The action is only available for counter properties.

2.2.4.6.2 Refresh

This action retrieves the current value of the property from the underlying CORBA object and updates the **Value** field of the property.

If the value of an object's property is changed programmatically while the Service is running, the property displayed in the Administration Manager will not be updated unless this action is performed, and therefore can show a false value for dynamic properties.

This action can only be performed while the Service is running (and therefore is only available for dynamic properties).

2.2.4.6.3 Set

This action transfers the value of the property in the Administration Manager to the underlying CORBA object.

This action can only be performed while the Service is running (and therefore is only available for dynamic properties).



If the value of a dynamic property is changed in the Administration Manager while the service is running, the property in the underlying CORBA object is *not* automatically updated. The **Set** action *must* be used to update the CORBA object property.

2.2.4.6.4 Assign Value to Peers

This action copies the value of the selected property to all peers (all objects under the same parent node) which have a property with the same name.

If this action is performed on a Singleton property, the same property for all other Singletons and Java Objects under the same Service will be updated. If the action is performed on a Service property, the same property for all other Services under the same node will be updated.

If it is a dynamic property, the updated value is also set in the underlying CORBA object.

For example, the **Storage Type** property could be changed to **File** for the NotificationService and this command could be used to transfer that change to all other Services under the same node.

Properties which are locked (see *Locking* on page 18) are protected from being updated by this action.

2.2.4.6.5 Assign Value Globally

This action copies the value of the selected property to all properties in the **Object Hierarchy** which have the same name. This action is similar to **Assign Value to Peers** but the change is made over the entire Object Hierarchy.

If it is a dynamic property, the updated value is also set in the underlying CORBA object.

Properties which are locked (see *Locking* on page 18) are protected from being updated by this action.

2.2.4.6.6 New UUID

Assigns a valid UUID to the property.

This action is only available for UUID properties.

2.2.4.7 Signals

Signals are displayed as buttons in a Service's property list, as shown in *Figure 8*.



Figure 8 A Signal Button

When clicked, a signal button will trigger some action in the underlying Service. The action each signal button performs will depend on how the signal has been defined and will be described in the documentation for each Service.

A signal will only trigger an action when the underlying Service is running.

2.2.5 User Identity

To access secured services, a valid user identity must be provided.

The current user identity is displayed in the Administration Manager's status bar. To change the identity, use the **Enter user identity** tool bar button and enter a user name and password in the **User Identity Details** dialog box.

2.2.6 Service Log

Every Service has a log file that can be viewed on the **SERVICE LOG** tab for the Service. Only the last (most recent) 250Kb of the log file will be displayed.



The log file for each Service can be configured to specify log file location, maximum log file size, the level of information to be logged, and other factors. See *Logging Properties* on page 49 for details.

Use the **Refresh Log** button to refresh the display with the current contents of the log file (the display is not automatically updated when the file contents change).

Use the **Delete Log File** button to clear the Service Log. This clears the display and deletes the contents of the underlying log file. The Service Log can only be deleted if the Service is not running.

2.2.7 Memory Profiler

The Memory Profiler for each service shows the total available, used, and free memory in the Java Virtual Machine (JVM) that the service is running in. The total and used memory are also shown as a graph which shows changes over time. The graph is illustrated in *Figure 9*.

To start the Memory Profiler, select the reporting interval from the **Interval** drop-down list and click **Start**. The service must be running or the Memory Profiler will not start. To halt the Profiler, click **Stop**. Stopping the Profiler freezes the display but does not clear it. Re-starting a stopped graph, however, clears the display.

The scale of the **Memory** axis (y-axis) changes dynamically in order to effectively display changing amounts of memory.

The **Clean** button forces immediate garbage collection on the current process. The results of this will be seen as a drop in the Used JVM Memory and an increase in the Free JVM Memory on the Memory Profiler. This operation can be performed even when the Memory Profiler is stopped.

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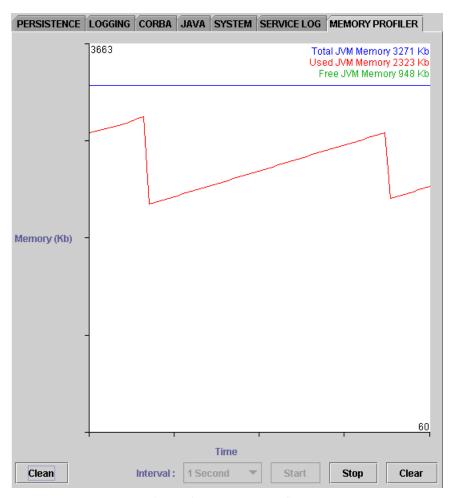


Figure 9 Memory Profiler

2.2.8 Tool Bar Options

The browser tool bar buttons provide access to a number of common features. These buttons are described in *Table 5*.

Many of these functions can be performed by using a key combination (control key plus a letter). These keyboard short cuts are also shown in *Table 5*.



Table 5 Tool Bar Buttons

Button Function		
	Delete selected browser (Ctrl+D)	
	Removes the currently active browser from the browser framework. The browser configuration is not automatically saved when the browser is removed.	
	Refresh selected browser (Ctrl+R)	
	Refreshes the currently active browser. This does not refresh property values unless they are dynamic and the service is running.	
	Refresh the current node	
6	Refreshes the view of the node currently selected in the Object Hierarchy . This does not refresh property values unless they are dynamic and the service is running. This button is only valid for the Administration Manager.	
	Stop current action	
	Aborts any action which has been initiated but has not yet completed.	
	Launch the file browser	
₽ ₀	Opens the file browser.	
	Save configuration	
D	Save the current values of all the properties in the Object Hierarchy. This button is only valid for the Administration Manager.	
	View the browser log	
	Opens the browser's message log file.	
	Enter user identity	
€	Opens the User Identity Details dialog box to allow user authentication.	

If a function is not available in a particular browser, the corresponding button will be greved-out while that browser is active.

When functions specific to a particular browser are added to the tool bar, the buttons will be described in the section of this Guide which deals with the relevant browser.

2.3 The CORBA Object Browser

Any Singleton of a running Service can be queried from the Administration Manager to reveal key information about the Singleton.

To query the Singleton, right-click the Singleton and select **CORBA Object Browser** from the pop-up menu, as shown in *Figure 10*.

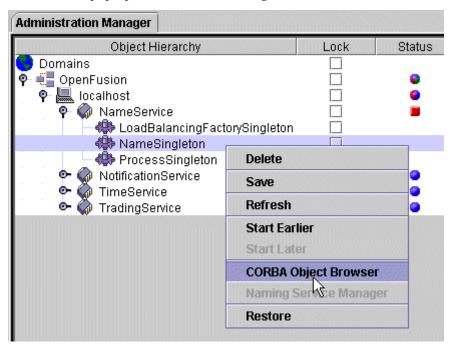


Figure 10 Starting the CORBA Object Browser

This action opens the CORBA Object Browser, as shown in *Figure 11*. The CORBA Object Browser can also be started from the command on the **Tools** menu.



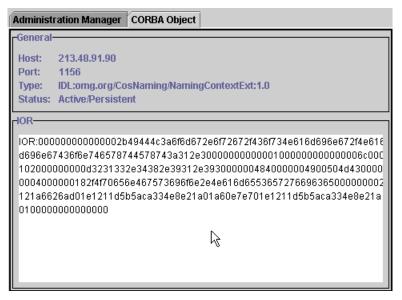


Figure 11 CORBA Object Browser

The CORBA Object Browser displays the following information about the Singleton object:

- · Host IP address.
- · Host port number.
- Object type.
- Status (active or inactive and persistent or non-persistent).
- IOR.

The displayed IOR can be selected and copied to the clipboard as a string.

When the CORBA Object Browser is active, two buttons are added to the tool bar. These buttons are shown in *Table 6*.

Table 6 CORBA Object Browser Tool Bar Buttons

Button	Function	
	Load IOR	
IOR	Loads a previously-saved IOR from a text file. The file must contain a valid IOR as a string.	
	Save IOR	
IOR	Writes the object's IOR as a string to a text file.	

2.4 Distributed Installation Configuration

Multiple OpenFusion installations can be configured from a central host. This allows OpenFusion Services on different machines to share common configuration files and, if required, a common implementation repository.

The machines can be connected via a shared file system or by using a Web server running on the central host.

Note that the central configuration host and each remote machine must have a licensed OpenFusion installation.

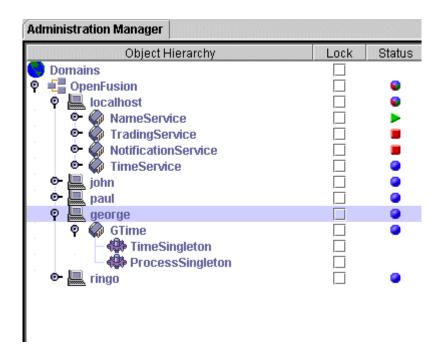
2.4.1 The Central Configuration Host

The XML files used to configure the properties of each remote OpenFusion installation are all stored on the central configuration host under the domains directory (see *The Object Hierarchy* on page 145 for details). The central host must therefore be configured to store details of each remote installation.

Each remote installation should be set up as a separate node in the Administration Manager Object Hierarchy on the central host. (See *Adding Nodes* on page 15.)

Figure 12 shows the Object Hierarchy of a central configuration host managing four remote machines.





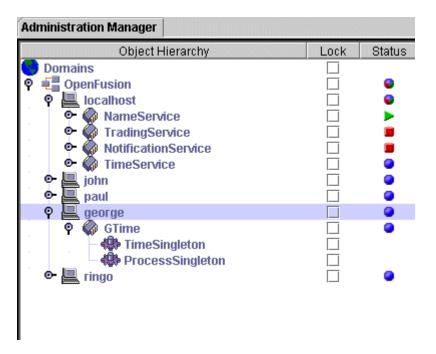


Figure 12 Remote Nodes

Each node should have the unique machine name of the remotely-managed computer.

Each remote machine displays the full Object Hierarchy from the central host, including all remote machine nodes and the **localhost** node, unless the Administration Manager is started with the -remote command-line option, for example:

```
% bin/manager -remote
```



The appearance of the **localhost** node could potentially cause confusion for remote users. It might be assumed that **localhost** refers to the remote machine, but it actually refers to the central host. To avoid the confusion, delete the **localhost** node from the central configuration host's Object Hierarchy and add a new node with the name of the host machine.

Add Services to each node and add Singletons and Java Objects to the Services, as described in *Adding Singletons and Java Objects* on page 16. *Figure 12* shows one Service with two Singletons added to a remote node. The Singletons and Java Objects must exist as valid, licensed objects on the remote machine.

2.4.2 Using a Shared File System

All hosts must have identical mappings to a common file system.

On Windows systems, network drives must be mapped so that all machines (including the central host) can refer to the central OpenFusion installation directory with the same drive letter. This ensures that a directory path (for example, O:\OpenFusion\domains) will always point to the same location on the central host regardless of which remote machine it is invoked from.

On Unix, use a soft link to achieve the same effect.

Note that it is not possible to use a common file system to link OpenFusion installations running on a mixture of Unix and Windows hosts. In a mixed operating system environment, central configuration can only be performed via a Web server (see *Using a Web Server* on page 35).

2.4.2.1 Set up the Central Host

On the central host, set up nodes in the Object Hierarchy with each node representing a remote machine. This is described in *The Central Configuration Host* on page 31.

2.4.2.2 Implementation Repository

It may be necessary to configure remote installations to share a common implementation repository. This is not necessary if the central host is only used for configuration purposes, but it is required if the clients need to communicate with Services running on other hosts (an example is when *load balancing* is being used, as described in the *Load Balancing Service Guide*).

The Servers running on each host must be configured to use the common implementation repository. With Jacorb, for example, the ORBInitRef.ImplementationRepository property in the jacorb.properties file on each host must be set to point to the location of the common implementation repository's IMR file.

The common implementation repository can be running on any host.

In order to prevent conflicts when starting the Administration Manager with a common implementation repository, the **POA Name** property (found on the **CORBA** tab of the **Domains** node in the Administration Manager) must be unique for each host. To change this property, the Administration Manager must be started for each host with the -noorb option.

2.4.2.3 Environment Properties

Each remote host requires an OF_DOMAINS_URL environment property set to the domains directory on the remote host. If the shared file system has been mapped correctly, this property should be identical on every host. For example:

WIN

set OF DOMAINS URL=file://O:\Openfusion\domains

UNIX

export OF_DOMAINS_URL=file:///usr/users/central/OpenFusion/domains

Each remote host requires an OF_Admin_URL environment property set to the local domains directory. For example:

WIN

set OF Admin URL=file://C:\Openfusion\domains

UNIX

export OF Admin URL=file:///usr/users/node1/OpenFusion/domains

2.4.3 Using a Web Server

The central configuration host must be running Web server software. (Any third-party Web server will be suitable.)



The OpenFusion distribution includes the Tomcat Web server, but this *should not* be used to enable remote configuration.

2.4.3.1 Set up the Central Host

On the central host, set up nodes in the Object Hierarchy with each node representing a remote machine. This is described in *The Central Configuration Host* on page 31.

2.4.3.2 Configure Remote Singletons

When you add a Singleton to a remote node in the Object Hierarchy, it will have default data locations that apply to the central host. These locations must be changed to point to valid locations on the remote machine. As many of these properties are hidden from the Administration Manager GUI, the underlying XML files must be edited directly (*Note:* this is normally not recommended, and care should be taken that no errors are introduced into the XML files).

Appendix A, *XML Configuration Files*, on page 145, gives details of the structure and locations of the files which must be edited.

Every Singleton property value which is a directory path should be changed to point to a location on the remote machine. If the central host and the remote machine have exactly the same installation path and directory structure for their OpenFusion installations, these properties will be correct and do not need to be changed.



If hsqldb is used for persistence (see *hsqldb* on page 107), ensure that the DB.WAL.DIR property for each Service is set to point to an existing directory on the remote machine, otherwise the Service will not start.

2.4.3.3 Set the Central Host Properties

Set the properties of the domains node in the Object Hierarchy as described here. (These properties are described fully in *Configure Properties* on page 66.)

2.4.3.3.1 Central Configuration Host

This check box should be checked to indicate that the machine is the central configuration host.

2.4.3.3.2 OpenFusion Install URL

The URL that remote machines must use to access the central configuration host. This is a *http* URL which gives the host's machine name. This URL will be determined by the root document directory of the Web server.

For example, if the central configuration host is an NT Server named central with the Web server document directory set to C:\, and the OpenFusion installation on that machine is C:\PrismTech\OpenFusion, then the correct URL will be:

```
http://central/PrismTech/OpenFusion
```

If the Web server document directory is set to C:\PrismTech\OpenFusion, however, the correct URL will be:

http://central



Caution: entering an invalid URL will cause fatal problems! Take backups of the OpenFusion installation and be very careful when changing this property.

2.4.3.3.3 Configure from Remote Host

This check box should remain clear on the central host. The setting is only needed on remote machines.

2.4.3.3.4 Remote OpenFusion Install URL

This setting is not needed on the central host. The property should be locked, as **Configure from Remote Host** should not have been selected on the central host.

2.4.3.4 Set up the Remote Machine

To set up a remote machine to use central configuration, the central host must have been configured and the remote machine must have been set up as a node in the central host's Object Hierarchy.

The following properties must be configured for the domains node in the remote machine's Object Hierarchy. These properties are described fully in *Configure Properties* on page 66.

These properties are stored on the remote machine, not the central configuration host, which is why they must be set on each remote machine.

2.4.3.4.1 Central Configuration Host

This check box should remain clear on the remote machine. The setting is only needed on the central host.

2.4.3.4.2 OpenFusion Install URL

This setting is not needed on the remote machine. The property should be locked, as **Central Configuration Host** should not have been selected on the remote machine.

2.4.3.4.3 Configure from Remote Host

If this machine is to be configured from a central host, this check box must be checked.

2.4.3.4.4 Remote OpenFusion Domains URL

A URL which points to the location on the central host that stores the XML configuration files. This will be the OpenFusion installation directory.

This URL will be determined by the root document directory of the Web server.

For example, if the central configuration host is an NT Server named central with the Web server document directory set to C:\, and the OpenFusion installation on that machine is C:\PrismTech\OpenFusion, then the correct URL will be:

```
http://central/PrismTech/OpenFusion/domains
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If the Web server document directory is set to C:\PrismTech\OpenFusion, however, the correct URL will be:

http://central/domains

2.4.3.5 Working with Central Configuration

When a remote machine is configured from a central host, all of the XML files which hold properties for Services and Singletons are stored on the central host. The remote machine can *read* from the configuration files but cannot *write* to them.

Because the remote machine cannot write to its own configuration files, it can never over-ride the configuration set by the remote configuration host. On the remote machine, most properties will be **locked**.

The only properties which remain unlocked are **Dynamic** properties (see *Type* on page 21). Changes to these properties will not be stored permanently when the Administration Manager is shut down.



Many main menu options, tool bar buttons, and right-click menu options are disabled on the remote machine. All actions which apply to changing the Object Hierarchy or modifying locked property values are disabled.

2.5 Tomcat Web Server Integration

It is possible to deploy the Java Tomcat Web server within an OpenFusion installation.

Tomcat is deployed as an embedded server and can be configured as a Java Object. As such, it can be deployed as a separate service or co-located with another OpenFusion service. See *Adding Singletons and Java Objects* on page 16 for details of deploying Java Objects in an OpenFusion installation.

See http://jakarta.apache.org/ for further details of the Tomcat Web server.

2.5.1 Deployment of Web Archives

Each configured Tomcat object has its own webapps directory created within the configuration directory hierarchy. In addition, a global webapps directory is maintained at the root level of the OpenFusion installation.

By default, the ROOT Web archive file (ROOT.war) is deployed into every configured Tomcat instance. Additional Web archive files can be deployed by one of the following methods:

- Put the file into the specific webapps directory.
- Put the file into the global webapps directory and configure the **Tomcat WAR Files** property to include the file name.

2.5.2 Security

The Tomcat Web server has a security manager enabled by default. This uses the following security policy file:

```
<INSTALL>/etc/tomcat.policy
```

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

If more fine-grain security control is required, the file can be copied into the Tomcat home directory and edited as appropriate. The **Tomcat Security Policy File** property is used to locate this file.

2.5.3 Deploying Java Server Pages

In order to deploy your own Java Server Pages (JSPs) in the Tomcat Web server, a . jar file containing a Java compiler must be included in the CLASSPATH.

JSPs supplied with the OpenFusion CORBA Services distribution are pre-compiled and deployed within a .war file and therefore do not need access to a Java compiler.

2.5.4 Configuration

The following properties can be configured through the GUI manager for each embedded Tomcat object.

2.5.4.0.1 Tomcat Home Directory

The home directory of the Tomcat server. This defaults to the configuration directory for the Tomcat Java Object:

<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/TomcatObject/

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation directory. See *The Object Hierarchy* on page 145 for details of the domains directory structure.

Property Name	Tomcat.Home
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	DIRECTORY
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

2.5.4.0.2 Tomcat Work Directory

The Tomcat work directory. This defaults to the work directory under the default Tomcat home directory:

<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/TomcatObject/work

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation directory. See *The Object Hierarchy* on page 145 for details of the domains directory structure.

This property is independent of the **Tomcat Home Directory** property and does not change if **Tomcat Home Directory** is changed.

Property Name	Tomcat.WorkDir
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	DIRECTORY
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

2.5.4.0.3 Tomcat WAR directory

The directory into which Tomcat deploys Web archive files. This defaults to the webapps directory under the default Tomcat home directory:

<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/TomcatObject/webapps

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation directory. See *The Object Hierarchy* on page 145 for details of the domains directory structure.



This property is independent of the **Tomcat Home Directory** property and does not change if **Tomcat Home Directory** is changed.

Property Name	Tomcat.Context
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	DIRECTORY
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

2.5.4.0.4 Tomcat WAR Files

A colon-separated list of Web archive files to be deployed from the global webapps directory into the Tomcat WAR directory.

The ROOT. war file is always deployed and does not have to be included in the list.

Property Name	Tomcat.Archives
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

2.5.4.0.5 Tomcat Security Policy File

The full path and name of the file which defines the security policies used by the Tomcat security manager. This defaults to:

<INSTALL>/etc/tomcat.policy

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation directory.

Property Name	Tomcat.PolicyFile
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	FILE
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

2.5.4.0.6 Tomcat Port

The port on which the Tomcat server listens for http requests. The default is 8080, but if this port in use by any other Web server deployed on the same system, a different port must be selected.

Property Name	Tomcat.Port
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

2.5.4.0.7 Serve Root URL

This property should be checked (TRUE) if the Tomcat Object will be used to serve up the files used for remote system configuration. The default value for this property is TRUE. See Section 2.4, *Distributed Installation Configuration*, on page 31, for more details of remote system configuration.

Property Name	Tomcat.ServeRoot
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

2.5.4.0.8 Root URL

The directory that will be served up by the Tomcat Object. To allow remote system configuration, this should be the OpenFusion installation directory (which is the default value for the property). The directory should be specified as a URL of type *file://*.

This directory will be served up when a Web browser is used to access the following URL:

http://<server>:<port>/<context>

Where:

server is the machine which is running the Tomcat Object.
port is the port that Tomcat listens on, specified in the **Tomcat Port** property.
context is the path specified in the **Context Path** property.

If the directory contains a file called index.html, that file is returned to the browser. If index.html does not exist, a directory listing is returned instead.



This property is on	y enabled if the Serve Root URL	property is checked.

Property Name	Tomcat.RootURL
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

2.5.4.0.9 Context Path

The virtual directory that will be served up by the Tomcat Object. This defaults to the name of the Service that the Tomcat Object is a part of. See the **Root URL** property for details of how this property can be used.

This property is only enabled if the **Serve Root URL** property is checked.

Property Name	Tomcat.ContextPath
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

2.5.5 Testing the Tomcat Installation

Once the service containing the Tomcat Java Object has been started, the Tomcat deployment can be tested by attempting to connect to the default Web page. To connect to the default page, type the following into the address bar of a Web browser:

where <server> is the name of the machine running the Tomcat server and <port> is the port number specified in the **Tomcat Port** property (8080 by default).

If the server is working correctly, the Tomcat server default Web page will be displayed.

3 Common Configuration Properties

The properties described in this section are found in all Services. The properties must be set individually for each Service, although the commands Assign Value to Peers on page 24 and Assign Value Globally on page 25 can be used to set the same values for multiple Services.

The properties are grouped by function on different tabs of the properties pane.

The ENUM data type has special meaning in that it represents a drop-down list in the GUI where a definitive list of values is allowed, rather than the usual meanings associated with the other data types (e.g. the INTEGER data type represents an integer).

3.1 Persistence Properties

The properties on the **Persistence** tab determine how and where the Service data is stored persistently. See Section 6, *Configuring Persistent Storage*, on page 101 for details of different persistent storage methods.

Storage Write Interval

This property specifies the delay (in seconds) between saving object state changes within a server and writing this information to persistent storage. This option is a performance optimization feature as it can be used to prevent the Service from making a lot of small updates to the persistent store.

A value of zero indicates no delay (changes are written immediately to the persistent store). Increasing the write interval may improve performance when the data held by a service is changing rapidly.

Property Name	DB.WriteInterval
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Storage Write Batch Size

The **Storage Write Batch Size** option specifies the maximum number of updates that will be buffered before the data is written to persistent storage. This option is a performance optimization feature.



A value of zero indicates that the updates are not buffered but are written immediately to the data store. Increasing the property value may improve performance when the data held by a Service is changing rapidly.

The effect of setting both the **Storage Write Interval** and the **Storage Write Batch Size** to values greater than zero is that of batched timed writes.

Property Name	DB.WriteBatch
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

JDBC Auto-create tables

If this property is checked (true), the Service will check for the presence of the JDBC tables required for persistent storage and automatically create the tables if they are not present.

The default value for this property is true.

Property Name	DB.JDBC.AutoCreate
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ-WRITE
Mandatory	NO

JDBC Handler

The class name of the custom plug-in which will implement the JDBC ExceptionHandler interface.

The ExceptionHandler interface allows the customising of how an SQL exception will be handled. The interface is specified as follows:

```
public interface ExceptionHandler
{
   public static final int OK = 0;
   public static final int REPEAT = -1;
   public static final int FATAL = -2;

   public int handleException (java.sql.SQLException ex);
}
```

This operation should return a status indicating how an SQL exception should be handled. Possible return values are:

OK The program should continue as normal.

REPEAT The database operation should be re-tried immediately.

FATAL The program should terminate.

A return value greater than 0 (zero) means that the database operation should be re-tried after the returned interval (in milliseconds).

Property Name	DB.JDBC.Handler
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

JDBC Database Type

The **JDBC Database Type** option specifies the available, underlying relational database type. Select from one of the following supported databases:

- Oracle
- Sybase
- Informix
- SQL Server (Windows only)
- hsqldb

The default persistence option is hsqldb, which is installed with the OpenFusion CORBA Services distribution and will run with no additional configuration.

Property Name	DB.JDBC.Type
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	ENUM
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

JDBC URL

The **JDBC URL** option sets the location of the JDBC data source. The format of the URL depends on the type of data source being used.

Oracle

```
jdbc:oracle:thin:<data_source_name>
Where <data_source_name> is the name of the JDBC data source.
```



Sybase

```
jdbc:sybase:Tds:<data_source_name>
Where <data source name> is the name of the JDBC data source.
```

Informix

```
jdbc:informix-sqli:<data_source_name>
Where <data source name> is the name of the JDBC data source.
```

SQL Server

```
jdbc:odbc:<data_source_name>
Where <data source name> is the name of the JDBC data source.
```

hsqldb

There are three ways in which hsqldb can be run, each requiring a different URL format

• Running on the local machine:

```
jbbc:hsqldb:<database>
```

Where <database> is the path to the hsqldb database. The default database location is a subdirectory of the Service directory, as follows:

```
jdbc:hsqldb:<install_path>/domains/<domain>/<node>/
<service>/data/hsqldb
```

Where:

<install_path> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

<domain> is the name of the domain.

<node> is the name of the node.

<service> is the name of the OpenFusion Service.

This default location can be changed if required.

• Running in local memory (in the same JVM as the Service being started):

```
jdbc:hsqldb:.
```

• Running on a remote machine:

```
jdbc:hsqldb:hsql://<host>:<port>
```

Where:

<host> is the name of the remote machine.

<port> is the port used to connect to hsqldb on the host machine. This is
optional but will be required if the host machine runs more than one hsqldb
server.

Property Name	DB.JDBC.URL
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

JDBC Driver

This is the class name of the JDBC driver used. A default driver based upon the type of database chosen will be used when this field is left blank, so it is not normally necessary to set this field.

Property Name	DB.JBDC.Driver
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

JDBC Logging

Whether JDBC calls will be logged or not.

Property Name	DB.JDBC.Logging
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

JDBC User

Your Database Administrator will provide the user name for use in the **JDBC User** option. The default user is sa (the hsqldb system administrator user).

This user must have *create* rights on the database.

Property Name	DB.JDBC.User
Property Type	FIXED



Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

JDBC Password

Your Database Administrator will provide the password for use in the **JDBC Password** option. The default password is blank (none is required for the default user, sa, in hsqldb).

Property Name	DB.JDBC.Password
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	PASSWORD
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Server Persistent ID

A unique identifier (*UUID*) associated with a specific server. Persistent storage databases use this ID to indicate which server persistent data belongs to. This allows different processes to share persistent data.

Property Name	SID
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	UUID
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

JDBC Connection Attempts

Defines the number of attempts that will be made to establish a connection to the JDBC data source. A value of 0 (zero) indicates an unlimited number of attempts.

If an unlimited number of attempts is allowed and the process cannot establish a connection (for example, due to to an incorrect username/password), the server process will continue to attempt to establish a connection indefinitely. This cannot be aborted from within the Administration Manager and will require the server process to be killed via an interrupt signal. To avoid this problem, set this property to a finite (non-zero) value.

Property Name	DB.JDBC.ConnectionAttempts
Property Type	STATIC

Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

JDBC Connection Retry Interval

The length of time, in milliseconds, between reconnection attempts.

Property Name	DB.JDBC.ConnectionRetryInterval
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

3.2 Logging Properties

All OpenFusion Services can produce logging information. This can be used to both track bugs and monitor server operation. OpenFusion uses four basic logging levels: *Error*, *Warning*, *Information* and *Debug*. The OpenFusion logging system uses the log4j logging package. (See http://jakarta.apache.org/log4j for more information.)

If you are using the VisiBroker ORB and you wish to obtain debug information at the ORB level (ORB logging) then it is necessary to add -DOF.close.output.streams=true as a JVM flag. See Section 3.5, *Java Properties*, on page 59 of this document.

Log Pattern

The format used for the logging output. This property is only required if **Log Layout** is set to **Pattern**.

Details of setting log patterns can be found in Log Messages on page 155.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.layout.Conversi onPattern
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Log Layout

The layout used for the logging output. Choices are:



- Simple
- Pattern

If **Pattern** is selected, the **Log Pattern** property must be set.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.layout
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	ENUM
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Enabled LogFactor5 pattern layout

If true, log output is formatted for viewing with LogFactor5. The default is false. The property is only used if the Log Layout property is set to **Pattern**.

Property Name	LogFactor5.enabled
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Syslog Facility

This is the UNIX Syslog facility to which logging is directed. See your UNIX documentation for more information on Syslog facility categories.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.Facility
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	ENUM
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Syslog Host

This option determines the name of the host to which logging is directed when the Syslog logging plug-in is selected. **Syslog** output is sent to the local host by default.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.SyslogHost
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

File Backup Number

This is the number of backup files that are retained after the value of **File Maximum Size** is exceeded and **RollingFile** is selected as the logging plug-in. The default is 1.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.MaxBackupIndex
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

File Append

This option controls whether the existing log file is replaced or new messages are appended to the file.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.Append
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

File Maximum Size

This is the maximum size, in megabytes, of the log file created when **RollingFile** is selected as the logging plug-in. A new logging file will be created when the value of **File Maximum Size** is exceeded.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.MaxFileSize
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Log File

The **File Name** specifies the file where diagnostic output is saved. A default value is used when this property is not set. This is:

<install dir>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/log/<service>.log



where <install_dir> is the OpenFusion installation path. See *The Object Hierarchy* on page 145 for details of the domains directory structure.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.File
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	FILE
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Log Plug-in

This property determines how diagnostic output will be logged. Options are:

- File
- Rolling File
- Syslog
- Event Log
- Log Service
- None

File

Selecting this option will direct all diagnostic output to a file specified by the **Log File** property.

Rolling File

This option directs diagnostic output to a file. The output file is backed up periodically when a specific size is reached. See also *File Backup Number* on page 51.

Syslog



This option directs diagnostic output to the UNIX syslog facility.



Event Log

This option directs diagnostic output to the NT Event Log.

Log Service

This option redirects all diagnostic output to the OpenFusion Log Service. A notification-type log is used.

None

All diagnostic messages are disabled.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	ENUM
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Notify Log ID

This is the identity of the Notify Log that is used when logging to the Log Service is selected. A new log is created when a log with this identity does not already exist.

Property Name	log4j.appender.Default.LogID
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Log Level

This property determines the level of diagnostic output that is logged in the log file. The logging level can be changed dynamically. Options are:

- Disable No messages are logged; logging is disabled.
- **Error** Only error messages are logged.
- Warning Error and warning messages are logged.
- Information Error, warning, and information messages are logged.
- **Debug** Error, warning, information, and debugging messages are logged.



Caution: significant amounts of output may be generated when the *Debug* level of logging is selected.

Property Name	log4j.rootLogger
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	ENUM
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES



3.3 CORBA Properties

The properties on the **CORBA** tab provide a view of the CORBA-related state of the services.

INITIALIZE Exception Count

The current total of CORBA INITIALIZE exceptions thrown since the Service was started.

Property Name	CORBA.InitializeExceptions
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	COUNTER
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

BAD_PARAM Exception Count

The current total of CORBA BAD_PARAM exceptions thrown since the Service was started.

Property Name	CORBA.BadParamExceptions
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	COUNTER
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

INTERNAL Exception Count

The current total of CORBA INTERNAL exceptions thrown since the Service was started.

Property Name	CORBA.InternalExceptions
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	COUNTER
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

Number of active CORBA objects

Number of active CORBA objects currently in service.

Property Name	ObjectRegistry.Objects	
Property Type	DYNAMIC	
Data Type	INTEGER	
Accessibility	READ ONLY	
Mandatory	NO	

Number of purged CORBA objects

Number of CORBA objects purged from memory.

Property Name	ObjectRegistry.Purges
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

CORBA Object Activity Timeout

Timeout for CORBA object activity check, in seconds.

Property Name	Timeout
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Incoming Call Count

The current total of CORBA operations invoked.

Property Name	CORBA.Calls
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	COUNTER
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO



Load CORBA Singletons on Startup

Whether to load Singletons on server startup or on demand.

Property Name	LoadOnStart
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Enable Dynamic Portable Interceptors

If set to TRUE (checked), this property enables the use of OpenFusion Dynamic Portable Interceptors for the Service.

Dynamic Portable Interceptors are required by an OpenFusion Service using adaptive load balancing with load shedding. See the *Load Balancing Service Guide* for details.

Property Name	EnableDynamicInterceptors
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Object Purging

When set to **TRUE** this option enables the purging (deactivation) of objects from the server, limiting the amount of object references that are stored by the ORB. Objects may be purged at a given interval and/or when a maximum number of object references has been exceeded. Objects are purged using a least-recently-used algorithm.

The properties **Object Cache Maximum Size** and **Object Cache Minimum Size** are used to control object purging behaviour. These properties set upper and lower limits for the number of object references that the ObjectRegistry is expected to manage. Object purging will be triggered when the number of object references exceeds the **Object Cache Maximum Size** limit. The purging algorithm will attempt to destroy sufficient object references to reduce the number held in the ObjectRegistry to that specified by the **Object Cache Minimum Size** property.

For example, with the properties <code>ObjectRegistry.MaxSize=1000</code> and <code>ObjectRegistry.MinSize=100</code>, purging will be triggered when the 1001st object reference is created. The purging algorithm will attempt to destroy 901 object references to reduce the number of references held in the ObjectRegistry to 100.

Note that memory usage does not correlate directly to the number of objects.



Naming Service: When the OpenFusion Naming Service is being used with object purging enabled, clients *must* always perform operations from the root context. Otherwise, problems will occur if the parents have been purged from memory.

Property Name	ObjectRegistry.Purge	
Property Type	STATIC	
Data Type	BOOLEAN	
Accessibility	READ/WRITE	
Mandatory	NO	

Object Cache Maximum Size

This is the maximum number of objects that can be created in a server before purging occurs. When the object references handled by the ObjectRegistry exceeds the value of this property, objects are removed using a least-recently-used algorithm.

Objects will only be purged if Object Purging has be set TRUE. For full details of using this property, see *Object Purging* on page 56.

Property Name	ObjectRegistry.MaxSize
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Object Cache Minimum Size

The minimum cache size for persistent CORBA objects. When objects are purged from the server, this number of objects will be left. For full details of using this property, see *Object Purging* on page 56.

Property Name	ObjectRegistry.MinSize	
Property Type	STATIC	
Data Type	INTEGER	
Accessibility	READ/WRITE	
Mandatory	NO	

Object Cache Purge Interval

This is the interval, in minutes, between object purge operations.



Objects will only	y be purged if Ob	ject Purging has	be set TRUE .

Property Name	ObjectRegistry.Interval
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

ORB Initialization Arguments

This is a space separated list of arguments passed to the ORB at initialization.

Property Name	ORB.Arguments
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

POA Name

This is the name of the POA (Portable Object Adaptor) created for the server. This property is only used by the VisiBroker and Orbix distributions (but see below for information pertaining to JacORB). Every server should have a unique POA name. The server UUID is used as the POA name when this field is left blank.

JacORB and the POA Name

On JacORB, the **POA Name** property is used to set **Implementation Name** property used by the Naming Service.

To federate two separately-installed Naming Services running on JacORB, each service must have different Implementation Name. The following parameter can be passed to override the Implementation Name when the service is started:

-Djacorb.implname=<name>

where <name> is the required Implementation Name. This does *not* override the **POA Name**.

Property Name	POA.Name
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Server Port

The server will run on a fixed port number when this option is set. The port number is that which the server will use to listen for requests.

A fixed port number allows for inter-ORB interoperability and enables servers to run without a daemon. Fixed ports also make it easier to implement security measures such as firewalls.

Property Name	Port
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Server Process ID

A unique identifier (*UUID*) associated with a specific server process. This ID is used to identify every object belonging to the process.

Property Name	PID
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	UUID
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

3.4 Security Properties

The properties on the **Security** tab relate to securing OpenFusion Services.

For convenience, these properties have been placed in a separate section. See Section 10, *Security Configuration*, on page 127.

3.5 Java Properties

These properties relate to the Java Virtual Machine (JVM) that runs the OpenFusion Services

JVM Information

This property displays information about the Java Virtual Machine that the Service is running in, for example:

build JDK-1.2.2_006, native threads, symcjit



This information is only displayed while the service is running.

Property Name	JVM.Info
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

JVM Flags

These flags are passed to the Java Virtual Machine used to run the Service.

Property Name	JVM.Flags
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

JVM Free Memory

Displays the free memory available to the Java Virtual Machine that the Service is running in.

This information can only be refreshed while the Service is running.

Property Name	JVM.FreeMemory
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

JVM Total Memory

Displays the total memory available to the Java Virtual Machine that the Service is running in.

This information can only be refreshed while the Service is running.

Property Name	JVM.TotalMemory
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

Use Xbootclasspath

If this property is checked, the JVM is passed the -Xbootclasspath flag when the service is started.

The -xbootclasspath flag causes the service to use the OpenFusion classes and not those supplied with the JRE. A side-effect of using -xbootclasspath is the inability of the JVM to find shared libraries. This option should not be neccessary under JacORB and RTOrb since the OpenFusion CORBA Services support the endorsed standards override mechanism which overcomes this problem. Detailed information is available on Sun's web site at http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/guide/standards.

For a Singleton to register itself with a running Naming Service when it is started, this property must be checked.

Property Name	JVM.XBoot
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

3.6 System Properties

These properties relate to the system that OpenFusion runs on.

User Name

Displays the name of the user running the process.

This information is only displayed while the Service is running.

Property Name	User.Name
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

System Type

Displays the operating system type.

This information is only displayed while the Service is running.

Property Name	System.Type
Property Type	DYNAMIC



Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

System Name

Displays the name of the system running the Service (the computer name). This information is only displayed while the Service is running.

Property Name	System.Name
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ ONLY
Mandatory	NO

3.7 Common Singleton Properties

These properties are used to specify the location for reading and writing the Singleton's IOR.

The method used to read and write the IOR file will depend on which properties have been completed.

Reading the IOR

The rules for reading the IOR are, in order of precedence:

- 1. The IOR will be read from the location specified in the **IOR URL** property.
- If the IOR URL property is blank, the IOR will be read from the naming service specified in IOR Name Service, under the name specified in IOR Name Service Entry.
- 3. If **IOR Name Service Entry** is blank, the IOR will be read from the location specified in the **IOR File Name** property.

Writing the IOR

The rules for writing the IOR are, in order of precedence:

- 1. The IOR will be written to the location specified in the **IOR File Name** property.
- If IOR Name Service Entry is not blank the IOR will be written to the naming service specified in IOR Name Service, under the name specified in IOR Name Service Entry.



IOR Name Service

The name of the Naming Service which will be used to resolve the Singleton object. This defaults to **NameService**, which is the resolve name of the OpenFusion Naming Service, and should only be changed if the name service is being resolved using a different name.

Property Name	IOR.Server
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

IOR Name Service Entry

The naming service entry for the Singleton, in INS format (Interoperable Naming Service stringified name). This name will be written to the naming service specified in the **IOR Name Service** property.

Any intermediary naming context must already exist in the naming service. For example, to write Singleton "b" to the naming service as follows:

R/a/b

the context "a" must already exist.

This property has no default value, and if it is left blank the Singleton will not be written to the naming service.

Property Name	IOR.Name
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

IOR URL

The **IOR URL** property specifies the location of an Interoperable Object Reference (IOR) for the Service, using the *Universal Resource Locator* (URL) format. This information is used when a client attempts to resolve a reference to the Service.

Currently, only http and file URLs are supported.

This property defaults to:

file:/<install>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/<singleton>/<singleton>.ior



where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path. See *The Object Hierarchy* on page 145 for details of the domains directory structure.

The **IOR URL** can only be used when reading the IOR. The IOR cannot be written to a location specified in a URL; the **IOR File Name** property should be used instead.

Property Name	IOR.URL
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

IOR File Name

The **IOR File Name** option specifies the name and location of the IOR file for the Singleton. This defaults to:

<install>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/<singleton>/<singleton>.
ior

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path. See *The Object Hierarchy* on page 145 for details of the domains directory structure.

Property Name	IOR.File
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	FILE
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

Resolve Name

The ORB Service name used to locate the Singleton using resolve initial references.

The **Resolve Name** of the Naming Service Singleton must be unique within the whole Domain.

ProcessSingletons do not have this property.

Property Name	ResolveName
Property Type	FIXED
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

3.8 Administration Manager Properties

Properties set at the root level of the **Object Hierarchy** govern the operation of the Administration Manager.



Although administration properties are shown as dynamic in the Administration Manager, in order for changes to those properties to take affect they must be saved, and the Administration Manager must be shut down and re-started.

To set Administration Manager Properties, select the **Domains** node (root node) in the Object Hierarchy. The properties, described below, are shown on the following tabs:

- **CORBA** contains properties that relate to the CORBA ORB.
- **LOGGING** contains the logging properties (see Section 3.2, *Logging Properties*, on page 49).
- **GENERAL** contains properties specific to the Administration Manager.
- **CONFIGURE** contains the properties for setting up OpenFusion to run remotely from a central configuration server (see Section 2.4, *Distributed Installation Configuration*, on page 31).
- **SERVICE LOG** tab displays the Browser Log as described in *Service Log* on page 25.

3.8.1 CORBA Properties

POA Name

This is the name of the POA (Portable Object Adaptor) created for the server. Every server should have a unique POA name. The server UUID is used as the POA name when this field is left blank.

The default value is OpenFusion.Manager.

Property Name	POA.Name
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES



Server Port

The Server port that the Administration Manager attempts to use when started with the -port command line switch. See -port on page 8.

Property Name	Port
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO

3.8.2 Configure Properties

These properties allow the configuration of OpenFusion installations from a central host. This is described in Section 2.4, *Distributed Installation Configuration*, on page 31.

Central Configuration Host

If this server is to act as the central configuration manager for remote hosts, then this check box must be checked. The location of the configuration file on the local host must be entered in the **OpenFusion Install URL** field.

Property Name	RunViaWebServer
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

OpenFusion Install URL

The URL of the OpenFusion installation on a central configuration host.



Caution: entering an invalid URL will cause fatal problems! Take backups of the OpenFusion installation and be very careful when changing this property.

Property Name	OpenFusionInstallURL
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Remote OpenFusion Domains URL

The URL of the OpenFusion configuration file on a central configuration host.

Property Name	RunOpenFusionDomainsURL
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Configure From Remote Host

If the OpenFusion configuration is to read from a central host, then this check box must be checked. The location of the configuration file on the remote host must be entered in the **Remote OpenFusion Install URL** field.

Property Name	ConfigViaWebServer
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

3.8.3 General Properties

Pre-load Properties

If this option is selected, the performance of the browser will improve. The disadvantage is that the browser takes slightly longer to load when first started. For best performance, we recommend that this option is always selected (which is the default value).

Property Name	PreLoadProperties
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	NO



Service Timeout

The timeout interval (in seconds) when starting Services, after which the Administration Manager stops checking the Service node to see if it is started. If the service has not started, then it is flagged as "failed to start". The default value is 60 seconds.

Property Name	Service.Timeout
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Status Timeout

The timeout interval (in seconds) which is allowed for a response when checking checking the status of servers. The default value is 2 seconds.

Property Name	StatusTimeout
Property Type	DYNAMIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

CHAPTER

4

Instrumentation

OpenFusion provides both general and service-specific instrumentation features which can be used for system monitoring, which in turn aids in problem identification, performance tuning, and so on. OpenFusion instrumentation consists of a set of properties that can be monitored at run time using the Administration Manager, SNMP or CORBA Process interface.

In addition to properties that are read-only at runtime, OpenFusion provides some properties that can be set at runtime as required, such as when a particular threshold value is reached or a time period has elapsed. There is virtually no performance overhead involved in using any of the OpenFusion instrumentation features.

4.1 Overview

4.1.1 Manageable Resources

An OpenFusion manageable resource is a CORBA Singleton or Java Object that can be managed at runtime via SNMP (see *SNMP Agent* on page 70) or using the CORBA *Process* interface (*CORBA Process Interface* on page 75).

The CORBA Singletons listed below are manageable resources:

- ProcessSingleton (the default Singleton within each Service)
- NameSingleton
- LoadBalancingFactorySingleton
- TradingSingleton
- ServiceTypeRepositorySingleton
- NotificationSingleton
- TimeSingleton

The following Java Objects are manageable resources:

• SNMPAgentObject (the SNMP agent can be managed via SNMP)



4.1.2 Object Counters

The Object Counters provided for each managed Singleton or Java Object (for example, the **Number of Event Channels** property of the **NotificationSingleton**) give a count of the number of objects in existence. The counter is incremented when an object is created and decremented when the object is destroyed.

The destruction of an object occurs during garbage collection, not when the object is de-referenced. Therefore, there will be a delay between an object being de-referenced and the counter registering that it has been destroyed.

4.2 SNMP Agent

The SNMP agent is a Java Object that enables SNMP management applications to access the properties of manageable resources at runtime via SNMP. The OpenFusion SNMP agent implements SNMPv1 and uses UDP as the underlying transport protocol for sending and receiving SNMP messages.

To use the SNMP agent, the **SNMPAgentObject** must be added to a Service in the Administration Manager. Adding Java Objects to a Service is described in *Adding Singletons and Java Objects* on page 16. The SNMP agent enables all manageable resources that are co-located with it to be managed via SNMP.

4.2.1 Configuring the SNMP Agent

The following properties of the **SNMPAgentObject** can be configured from the Administration Manager.

Port

The port used by the agent to listen for SNMP requests. The standard port for listening for SNMP requests is port 161.

Property Name	Port
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	161

Max Packet Size

The maximum packet size (in bytes) of an SNMP message.



Warning: If the packet size is configured to be too small then the SNMP agent may fail with an exception when attempting to process an SNMP message whose size exceeds the maximum packet size.



Property Name	MaxPacketSize
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	1300

Max Active Clients

The maximum number of clients that can access the agent concurrently. A value less than one is interpreted to mean that there is no limit to the number of clients that can access the SNMP agent concurrently.

Property Name	MaxActiveClients
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	10

Enable Traps

A flag indicating if the agent will send SNMP traps. By default the SNMP agent does not send traps.

Property Name	EnableTraps
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	FALSE

Trap Hosts File

An XML file defining hosts to receive traps sent by the agent. See *Trap Hosts File* on page 74 for a description of this file.

Property Name	TrapHostsFile
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	FILE



Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	none

Default Trap Port

The port to send traps to when a port is not specified in the XML. The standard port for listening for SNMP traps is port 162.

Property Name	DefaultTrapPort
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	INTEGER
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	162

Default Trap Community

The community name used for sending traps when a community name is not specified in the XML. For security reasons this property cannot be monitored via SNMP.

Property Name	DefaultTrapCommunity
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	none

Trap On Authentication Failure

A flag indicating if the agent sends a trap when an authentication failure occurs. Regardless of the value of this property, the SNMP agent will only send traps if the **EnableTraps** property is set to TRUE.

Property Name	TrapOnAuthenticationFailure
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	TRUE

Read-only Community

The community name of the agent providing read-only access to the MIB view. For security reasons this property cannot be monitored via SNMP.

Property Name	ReadOnlyCommunity
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	STRING
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES
Default Value	none

Enable Write Access

A flag indicating if the agent will allow write access. By default the SNMP agent does not allow write access.

Property Name	EnableWriteAccess		
Property Type	STATIC		
Data Type	BOOLEAN		
Accessibility	READ/WRITE		
Mandatory	YES		
Default Value	FALSE		

Read-write Community

The community name of the agent providing read-write access to the MIB view. For security reasons this property cannot be monitored via SNMP. Requests that use this community when the **EnableWriteAccess** property is set to FALSE will result in an authentication failure.

Property Name	ReadWriteCommunity		
Property Type	STATIC		
Data Type	STRING		
Accessibility	READ/WRITE		
Mandatory	YES		
Default Value	none		

4.2.2 Notifications

The following notifications are sent by the SNMP agent:

• SnmpAgentStartup



This notification signals that the SNMP agent has started and is listening for SNMP requests.

• AuthenticationFailure

This notification signals that an authentication failure has occurred while processing an SNMP message.

• SnmpAgentShutdown

This notification signals that the SNMP agent has stopped and is no longer listening for SNMP requests.

Notifications are sent to SNMP management applications as SNMPv1 traps. These traps are enterprise specific and do not belong to the *snmp* group in *MIB-II*. Consult the SNMP agent MIB for details of all traps sent by the SNMP agent.

4.2.3 Trap Hosts File

The trap hosts file is an XML file that defines the hosts that are to receive SNMPv1 traps emitted by the SNMP agent. The full path to this file is specified by the **TrapHostsFile** property (page 71). If the **EnableTraps** property (page 71) is set to FALSE then the **TrapHostsFile** property is ignored by the SNMP agent.

Each host is defined in the XML by a host name and optionally a port and community name. If the port is not specified then the value of the **DefaultTrapPort** property (page 72) is used. Similarly, if the community name is not specified then the value of the **DefaultTrapCommunity** property (page 72) is used. The host name must be specified and can either be the name or the IP address of the host.

The DTD that specifies the format of the XML is defined in the following file:

<INSTALL>/xml/schema/TrapHosts.dtd

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

A DOCTYPE declaration referencing TrapHosts.dtd must be included in every XML file so that the XML can be validated. If this declaration is not included then the SNMP agent will fail to start.

4.2.4 Starting the SNMP Agent

Once an **SNMPAgentObject** has been added to a Service, starting the Service automatically starts the SNMP agent. Immediately after the agent has started it will send an SnmpAgentStartup trap (if traps are enabled) and it will begin listening for incoming SNMP requests.

Manageable resources that are co-located with the **SNMPAgentObject** must be started before the **SNMPAgentObject** in order to be managed via SNMP. This can be accomplished from within the Administration Manager by positioning all

co-located resources above the **SNMPAgentObject** in the Service definition. The exception to this starting rule is the **ProcessSingleton**, which is normally the last resource in a Service definition.

4.2.5 Stopping the SNMP Agent

Stopping the Service containing the **SNMPAgentObject** automatically stops the SNMP agent. Immediately before the agent has stopped it will send an SnmpAgentShutdown trap (if traps are enabled) and it will stop listening for incoming SNMP requests.

4.2.6 OpenFusion MIBs

The OpenFusion MIBs are contained in the <INSTALL>/mibs directory where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

There is one MIB for each OpenFusion manageable resource. The name of each MIB is prefixed with the name of the resource it describes (minus the *Singleton* or *Object* suffix). For example, the MIB representing the **TradingSingleton** is named TRADING-MIB.txt, and the MIB representing the **SNMPAgentObject** is named SNMPAGENT-MIB.txt. The exception to this naming rule is the **ProcessSingleton** MIB, which is named SERVER-MIB.txt.

The OpenFusion MIBs fully conform to SMIv1. Management applications connected to the SNMP agent will be able to access the objects defined in the MIBs of co-located resources by their OIDs. The OID of the root node of the PrismTech OpenFusion MIB tree is 1.3.6.1.4.1.5510.1.

4.3 CORBA Process Interface

The CORBA *Process* interface can be used to programmatically monitor the system by accessing the instrumentation properties of individual service instances.

The services in this release which support the use of the Process interface are listed below in *Table 7*. The table also lists the names used by Process' methods to access the services.

Table 7 Services' Access Names

Service Singleton	Access Name
ProcessSingleton	Server
(default service singleton)	
NotificationSingleton	Notification



4.3.1 Using the Process Interface

An instance of the Process interface can be used to programmatically obtain property values for any instrumentation-enabled singletons which are co-located with the Process object.

The following steps describe how to use the Process interface in a program or module for obtaining instrumentation property values for a service instance.

Step 1: Ensure the program module imports the following packages:

```
com.prismt.orb.ObjectAdapter
com.prismt.openfusion.Server.Process
com.prismt.openfusion.Server.ProcessHelper
```

Step 2: Perform the standard ORB initialisation, for example:

```
static org.omg.CORBA.ORB orb = ObjectAdapter.init (new String[0]);
```

Step 3: Obtain a reference to the local Process interface instance by retrieving the instance's IOR from a file called ProcessSingleton.ior (located in the <install_dir>/domains/OpenFusion/localhost/<service>/
ProcessSingleton directory). The ORB's string_to_object() method is used to convert the stringified version of the IOR, which the file contains, to the needed object reference.¹

Example

```
String iorPathName = "ProcessSingleton.ior";
BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader (new FileReader
  (iorPathName));
String iorString = in.readLine ();
in.close ();
org.omg.CORBA.Object obj = orb.string_to_object (iorString);
Process processObject = ProcessHelper.narrow (obj);
```

The example code above assigns the needed Process object to processObject.

Step 4: Use the Process object's getValue() method to retrieve the desired property values for a service instance. Please note that each service instance is referenced as a named singleton object (see *Table 7* on page 75).

The *getValue()* method is given (as Strings) the *access name* of the service's singleton object as well as the name of the desired instrumentation property:

• the access name for each service's singleton object is given in Table 7, *Services' Access Names*, on page 75

^{1.} The code examples shown here use <code>BufferedReader</code> and <code>FileReader</code> for simplicity, although other file reading approaches could be used; modules using these packages must import the standard <code>java.io.BufferedReader</code> and <code>java.io.FileReader</code> packages.

• the instrumentation property names are listed under *Instrumentation Properties* in the *Configuration* section of the service's user guide; for example, those for the Notification Service are listed under *Notification Service Configuration*, *Instrumentation Properties* of the *Notification Service Guide*

The <code>getValue()</code> method returns an <code>any</code> which contains the property value. The contained value will be of the type (<code>String</code>, <code>long</code>, <code>ulonglong</code>, etc.) specified for the property, as listed under the <code>Instrumentation Properties</code> for the service referred to above: the value must be retrieved from the any using the appropriate <code>Any</code> extraction method, for example <code>extract_string()</code> for <code>Strings</code>, <code>extract_long()</code> for <code>longs</code>, <code>extract_longlong()</code> for <code>longlongs</code>, etc.

Example

```
String service = "Notification";
String propertyName = "Channels";

org.omg.CORBA.Any any = processObject.getValue(propertyName,
service);
long channelValue = any.extract_longlong();
System.out.println ("The value of the Channels property is: " + channelValue);
```

4.3.1.1 Example Program

The following example shows how instrumentation value can be displayed using a stand-alone program.

```
import com.prismt.orb.ObjectAdapter;
import com.prismt.openfusion.Server.Process;
import com.prismt.openfusion.Server.ProcessHelper;
import java.io.BufferedReader;
import java.io.FileReader;
// display instrumentation values using the CORBA Process interface
public class InstrumentationAccessor
   private org.omg.CORBA.ORB orb = null;
  private Process localProcess = null;
   // Constructor, where
  // iorPathName is the location of the file (pathname) containing the Process IOR
   public InstrumentationAccessor (String iorPathName)
      orb = ObjectAdapter.init (new String[0]);
      // Obtain reference to the Process object using the stringified
      // IOR stored in the file defined in iorPathName
      try
         BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader (new FileReader (iorPathName));
         String iorString = in.readLine ();
         in.close ();
         org.omg.CORBA.Object object = orb.string to object (iorString);
```



```
localProcess = ProcessHelper.narrow (object);
     catch (Exception e)
        System.out.println ("Failed to obtain process.");
  // Obtain a property value using the Process.getValue() method, where
  // propertyName is the name of the property
  // service is the name of the service containing the property
  public org.omg.CORBA.Any getPropertyValue (String propertyName, String service)
     throws Exception
     try
        org.omg.CORBA.Any any = localProcess.getValue (propertyName, service);
        return any;
     catch (Exception ex)
        throw new Exception ("Failed to retrieve value of " + propertyName
                             + " from " + service);
  public static void main (String[] args)
     // check that pathname of Process IOR file provided by user
     if (args.length != 1)
        System.out.println ("Please supply pathname of Process IOR file");
        System.exit (1);
     // InstrumentationAccessor's constructor obtains a reference to the
     // local process using the stringified IOR stored in file provided by
     // the user as a command line parameter
     InstrumentationAccessor accessor = new InstrumentationAccessor (args [0]);
     // display instrumentation property values
     try
        System.out.println ("\nDisplaying instrumentation property values.\n");
        // Server object properties values
        org.omg.CORBA.Any any = accessor.getPropertyValue ("JVM.FreeMemory",
"Server");
        long freeMem = any.extract long ();
        System.out.println ("JVM Free mem: " + freeMem);
        any = accessor.getPropertyValue ("JVM.Info", "Server");
        String info = any.extract string ();
        System.out.println ("JVM info: " + info);
        // Service object properties values for the Notification Service
        any = accessor.getPropertyValue ("Channels", "Notification");
        long chans = any.extract longlong ();
        System.out.println ("Channels: " + chans);
```

```
any = accessor.getPropertyValue ("ProxyPushConsumers", "Notification");
long ppc = any.extract_longlong ();
System.out.println ("ProxyPushConsumers: " + ppc);

any = accessor.getPropertyValue ("EventsDelivered", "Notification");
long evsd = any.extract_longlong ();
System.out.println ("Events delivered: " + evsd);
Thread.sleep (2000);
}
catch (Exception ex)
{
    ex.printStackTrace ();
}
}
```



4.3 CORBA Process Interface

CHAPTER

5 Service Portability

The OpenFusion CORBA Services conform with the OMG defined Java bindings. However, there are some ORB and platform differences that must be taken into account when developing and running clients and servers. The following sections cover these issues:

Portability Classes

The OpenFusion framework supports a number of CORBA portability classes that normalise access to the underlying ORB and related classes.

· Running User Defined Clients and Servers

This section covers both vendor and platform issues concerning the content of CLASSPATH, PATH and different parameters required for the command line when executing user defined clients and servers.

• OpenFusion IDL Compilation Issues

This section covers both vendor and platform issues concerning the compilation of OpenFusion IDL when creating user defined servers, for example, creating event suppliers for the Notification Service.

C++ Support

This section gives some basic guidelines for the development of C++ clients for the OpenFusion CORBA services.

5.1 Portability Classes

The OpenFusion framework supports a number of CORBA portability classes that normalise access to the underlying ORB and related classes. There are a number of reasons why this has been done:

- Prior to the CORBA 2.3 specification, server side object mappings were not standardised and the generated server side support classes were different for each ORB vendor.
- It hides some of the complexity in using the ORB native object adapters (particularly with respect to the POA) and proprietary loaders.
- It supports the deployment of both transient and persistent objects and simplifies the management of a persistent object's state.



• It normalises the creation of and access to dynamic Any classes. This is required as these were repackaged in the CORBA 2.3 specification.

Three classes are used to support the development of ORB portable code:

- ORBAdapter: This provides a client side abstraction layer for initilializing and accessing the ORB and running client applications.
- ObjectAdapter: This provides a server side abstraction layer for managing server objects.
- DynAnyFactory: This provides a factory class for creating dynamic any objects. This class returns implementations of the dynamic any classes which conform with CORBA 2.3.

These three portability classes are in the com.prismt.orb package. The following sections describe each of these three classes in detail.

5.1.1 The ORBAdapter Class

The ORBAdapter class contains operations for ORB initialization and a number of utility operations to return information about object references.

5.1.1.1 ORB Initialization

Two static initialization operations are supported. The first takes an array of String arguments and is intended to be called from the main operation so that any arguments passed to an application may be passed onto the ORB when it is initialized. The second form takes an ORB parameter and should be called to initialize from a pre-existing full ORB implementation. These operations are defined as follows:

```
public static synchronized org.omg.CORBA.ORB init (String[] args)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE
public static synchronized void init (org.omg.CORBA.ORB existing)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE
```

These operations both return an instance of a full ORB. An operation is also provided to return the initialized ORB instance:

```
public static synchronized org.omg.CORBA.ORB getORB ()
```

A limited functionality singleton ORB will be returned when an init operation has not been previously called. Most of the other operations defined on this class will throw the INITIALIZE exception when the class has not been initialized via one of the init operations.



5.1.1.2 ORB Shutdown

A single operation is provided to shut down the ORB. The ORBAdapter class should not be used after this has been called.

public static synchronized void shutdown ()

5.1.1.3 Object Information

A number of operations are provided to query the status of an object reference. These operations are guaranteed to work only with objects created using the ObjectAdapter class.

```
public static boolean isProcessLocal (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static boolean isNodeLocal (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static boolean isActive (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static Boolean isActive (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj, int timeout)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static boolean isPersistent (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static boolean isTransient (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static boolean isValid (org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static boolean isValid (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```

A CORBA object reference is defined to be valid when it is either active or non transient

When checking for whether an object is active, an ORB implementation may block for some time. A timeout value for the isActive operation is supported via the following two operations:

```
public static int getActiveTimeout ()
public static void setActiveTimeout (int timeout)
```

5.1.1.4 Object Stringification

Two operations are provided to convert object references to strings and vice versa. These operations are similar to the ORB operations string_to_object and object_to_string except that INS (Interoperable Name Service) format strings are also supported.

```
public static org.omg.CORBA.Object stringToObject (String str) throws
  org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE,
  org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static String objectToString (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
  throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE
```

5.1.1.5 Service Resolution

Two operations support the dynamic resolution of services from names:

public static org.omg.CORBA.Object resolve (String name)



```
throws org.omg.CORBA.BAD PARAM, org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE
```

The resolve operation resolves a CORBA object or service by name in a similar way to the ORB resolve initial references operation.

5.1.2 The ObjectAdapter Class

This class supports operations for the management of server objects. This adapter logically layers over either a BOA or POA depending on the ORB implementation.

5.1.2.1 Initialization

Two static initialization operations are supported. The first takes an array of String arguments and is intended to be called from the main operation so that any arguments passed to an application may be passed onto the ORB when it is initialized. The second form takes an ORB parameter and should be called to initialize from a pre-existing full ORB implementation.

These initialization operations also initialize the ORB through the corresponding operations defined in the ORBAdapter class. These operations are defined as follows:

```
public static synchronized org.omg.CORBA.ORB init (String[] args)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE
public static synchronized void init (org.omg.CORBA.ORB orb)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE
```

5.1.2.2 Object Creation

Object implementations should implement the Operations interface generated for the IDL interface that is being implemented. An object implementation must also implement the <code>java.io.Serializable</code> interface when it may be used as a persistent object. A serializable implementation may be used to create either transient or persistent objects. However, a non-serializable implementation may only be used to create transient objects.

Objects are created using either the createPersistent or createTransient operations on the ObjectAdapter class, as appropriate. Both operations return a CORBA object reference (org.omg.CORBA.Object) that may be narrowed to the appropriate type using the appropriate generated helper class.

A number of overloaded creation operations are supported but there are essentially two forms. The first, createPersistent, is used to create persistent CORBA objects and the second, createTransient, to create transient CORBA objects. Both operations have the general form:

```
public static org.omg.CORBA.Object createTransient
(
    java.lang.Object obj
    [,java.lang.Class opsClass]
    [,int flags]
```

```
[,UUID id]
)
  throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM

public static org.omg.CORBA.Object createPersistent
(
    Serializable obj
    [,java.lang.Class opsClass]
    [,int flags]
    [,UUID id]
)
  throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```

All the parameters, apart from the object implementation, are optional and are defined as follows:

- obj: The object implementation. This must be serializable for persistent objects.
- opsclass: The Operations class being implemented. By default, the most derived Operations class for an implementation will be discovered via reflection. However, the type of the operations class being supported must be specified when an implementation supports several, possibly unrelated, interfaces.
- flags: Creation option flags. A number of flags are supported that provide additional semantic behaviour for the created object. Currently this includes purging and activation policies and whether multiple CORBA objects can be created for a single implementation. The flag values are supplied as final static ints for the ObjectAdapter class and are intended to be combined using the and operator. These flags are described in Table 8, ObjectAdapter Object Creation Flags below.
- id: The identity of the created object. All OpenFusion CORBA objects use UUIDs for identity. By default, a new UUID is assigned for created objects. This parameter uses the provided UUID as the object identity for the created CORBA object.



Flag	Persistent	Transient	Description	
DISABLE_AUTO_ACTI VATION	✓	Х	This flag disables the auto-activation of persistent objects, i.e. on demand. A persistent object must be explicitly reactivated via the ObjectAdapter reactivate operation when this flag is set.	
DISABLE_PURGE	√	D	This flag disables the purging of persistent objects. By default, transient objects will not be purged as they cannot be reactivated	
ENABLE_PURGE	D	√	This flag enables the automatic purging of objects based upon the configurable purging options. A transient object is effectively destroyed when it is purged.	
ENABLE_DUPLICATES	√	√	This flag allows a transient object implementation to have multiple CORBA object identities.	
D = Default behaviour, \checkmark = Supported, X = Not supported.				

Table 8 ObjectAdapter Object Creation Flags

5.1.2.3 Object Identity

All object implementations registered with the OpenFusion object adapter have an identity based upon the DCE UUID and are encapsulated within the com.prismt.util.UUID class. The getId operation returns an object identity from an object reference. The getIds operation returns an array of these identities when an implementation has multiple object identities. These operations are defined as follows:

```
public static UUID getId (java.lang.Object obj)
   throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```

The ObjectAdapter class provides a number of overloaded operations that can use either an object identity or an object reference to identify a particular implementation (deactivate, destroy, reactivate, exists, and getImplementation).

5.1.2.4 Multiple Object Identity

A single Java object instance may implement any number of CORBA objects. This is supported by means of the ENABLE_DUPLICATES flag. An object implementation must implement the com.prismt.orb.Multiplexable interface when it is to be used for multiple CORBA objects. This interface consists of two operations:

```
public UUID getGroupId (Class opsClass);
public UUID getPrimaryGroupId ();
```

An implementation must maintain, as part of its state, a unique identifier for each of the operations interfaces that it supports. These unique identifiers must be made available through the <code>getGroupId</code> operation. The first such identifier issued must be recorded and returned by subsequent calls to <code>getPrimaryGroupId</code>.

An implementation may need to determine the identity of the object being called when the implementation has been used to create multiple CORBA objects. The following operation supports this functionality:

```
public static UUID getCallerId ()
```

This operation should only be called within the context of an invoked operation on an implementation.

5.1.2.5 Object Deactivation

Transient object references are only valid while their implementations exist so deactivating a transient object is equivalent to destroying it. Any references to a deactivated transient object become invalid. Persistent objects store their state thus allowing implementations to be activated and deactivated any number of times (when deactivated, an object's implementation has been deleted but its state remains).

```
public static void deactivate (java.lang.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static void deactivate (UUID id)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static void deactivate (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```

5.1.2.6 Object Destruction

All objects can be destroyed so that any references to them are no longer valid. For persistent objects, the object's state is also destroyed. The <code>ObjectAdapter</code> operations that support this are defined as follows:

```
public static void destroy (java.lang.Object obj)
   throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static void destroy (UUID id)
   throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static void destroy (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
   throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```



5.1.2.7 Object Reactivation

All persistent objects can be deactivated and reactivated as required. Either an object reference or an id can be used to reactivate an object implementation. The ObjectAdapter operations that support this are defined as follows:

```
public static Serializable reactivate (UUID id) throws
  org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE,
  org.omg.CORBA.OBJECT_NOT_EXIST,
  org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static Serializable reactivate (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
  throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.OBJECT_NOT_EXIST
```

The OBJECT_NOT_EXIST exception is thrown when the object cannot be reactivated, e.g. when the object is not persistent or has been destroyed.

5.1.2.8 Object Existence

Two operations are provided to determine whether or not an object implementation exists for a given object reference or identity:

```
public static boolean exists (UUID id)
   throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static boolean exists (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
   throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```

These operations will return true when a persistent object exists, whether or not it is currently active.

5.1.2.9 Object References

Object implementations may be associated with one or more CORBA object references. Two operations are supported to return the reference(s) associated with a particular implementation:

```
public static org.omg.CORBA.Object getObject (java.lang.Object obj)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```

5.1.2.10 Object Implementations

Two operations are provided to return an object implementation class given an object identity or reference:

```
public static java.lang.Object getImplementation (org.omg.CORBA.Object obj)
   throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static java.lang.Object getImplementation (UUID id)
   throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```

These operations are typically used where co-located persistent object implementations may need to refer to each other.



5.1.2.11 Persistent Object State

Persistent object implementations may have state and, by default, this is managed by OpenFusion Object Adapter using serialization (persistent object implementations must implement *Serializable*). The state of a persistent object is stored when it is first created so the state can be restored whenever it is reactivated. A persistent object must ensure that its state is saved whenever a persistent implementation's state changes (typically through a client invoking some operation). Two operations, save and write, are supported on the ObjectAdapter class to support this. These operations are defined as follows:

```
public static void save (Serializable entity)
  throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
public static void write (Serializable entity)
  throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE, org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM
```

Both these operations write out the implementation objects state via serialization. The save operation may be buffered due to configured caching policies, i.e. an asynchronous operation, whereas the write operation ensures that the state has been written out to persistent store, i.e. a synchronous operation.

All the non-transient attributes of a persistent implementation must be serializable. However, the PrismTech object adapter can deal with a number of non-serializable CORBA data types through the use of specialized input and output streams. The following CORBA data types may be held as attributes of a persistent implementation:

- org.omg.CORBA.Any, and
- org.omg.CORBA.TypeCode.

Two approaches are possible when a persistent object wishes to store persistent references to other CORBA objects. The object identity (UUID) can be stored and then used to remap back to the server object and narrowed to the correct type on restoration. Alternatively, the object reference can be stringified when stored and destringified and narrowed when restored.

Persistent object implementations may implement <code>javax.ejb.EntityBean</code>. This interface specifies a number of callback operations that are invoked by the object adapter on a persistent implementation when a state change has occurred or is about to occur. Callbacks are invoked as follows:

- The ejbStore operation is called just before an implementation is saved.
- The ejbLoad operation is called just after an implementation has been restored.
- The ejbActivate operation is called just after an implementation has been created or reactivated.
- The ejbPassivate operation is called just before an implementation is deactivated.



• The ejbRemove operation is called just before an implementation is destroyed.

The com.prismt.ejb.EntityBeanAdapter abstract class provides default implementations of all these operations. Persistent implementations can simply extend this class and only re-implement any callbacks they wish to use.

5.1.2.12 Running a Server

Incoming requests from clients are not processed until the server is started when object implementations have been registered with the <code>ObjectAdapter</code>. A server is started with the <code>ready</code> operation and stopped with the <code>shutdown</code> operation, defined as follows:

```
public static void ready ()
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE
public static void ready (boolean block)
    throws org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE
public static void shutdown ()
```

The first form of the ready operation blocks; the second takes a boolean parameter that determines whether the operation should block or not.

5.1.2.13 Restrictions

Most operations on the <code>ObjectAdapter</code> class should not be called until after it has been initialized with the <code>init</code> operation or an <code>org.omg.CORBA.INITIALIZE</code> system exception will be thrown.

Most operations on the ObjectAdapter class will throw org.omg.CORBA.BAD_PARAM when invalid parameters or unexpected null parameters are passed.

A persistent object should not use any of the object related operations on ObjectAdapter from within the implementation of the readObject operation used in object serialization. A persistent implementation that needs to use ObjectAdapter operations on restoration, e.g. when mapping from persistent object UUIDs to implementations, should implement javax.ejb.EntityBean and put this functionality in the ejbLoad operation.

5.1.2.14 Recommendations

Use the factory design pattern to create all CORBA object implementations, i.e locate the create operation in a factory rather than in an implementation constructor. This allows:

- the object implementation to be deployed where appropriate as an EJB rather than a CORBA object
- a factory to create an implementation as either a transient or persistent object (as long as it implements Serializable)

• one implementation to extend another

Try not to use any object-based ObjectAdapter operations in:

- constructors
- serialization operations (readObject and writeObject)

When persistent implementation classes need to reference each other, they should:

- store the object id for the related implementation when saved
- use the reactivate and getImplementation operations to retrieve a reference to the related implementation class when restored

Persistent implementations should re-implement the ejbActivate operation, which is called by the object adapter after a persistent implementation has been reactivated and its state restored, when they need to do some further initialization after reactivation

Most of the <code>ObjectAdapter</code> class operations can throw CORBA system exceptions. These are all derived from <code>RuntimeException</code> and so no try-catch block is required in the calling code. However, users of the <code>ObjectAdapter</code> class should be aware that these may be thrown in some circumstances. The causes and types of exception thrown are described fully in the javadoc documentation for the class.

5.1.3 The DynAnyFactory Class

This class supports creation operations for the CORBA 2.3 defined dynamic any classes.

5.1.3.1 Creation Operations

Six operations are provided for the creation of dynamic any objects from a given type code. The InconsistentTypeCode exception is thrown when the provided type code does not correspond to the type of the requested dynamic object.

```
1: public static org.omg.DynamicAny.DynAny createBasicDynAny (TypeCode tc)
2: throws org.omg.DynamicAny.DynAnyFactoryPackage.InconsistentTypeCode
3: public static org.omg.DynamicAny.DynStruct createDynStruct (TypeCode tc)
4: throws org.omg.DynamicAny.DynAnyFactoryPackage.InconsistentTypeCode
5: public static org.omg.DynamicAny.DynSequence createDynSequence (TypeCode tc)
6: throws org.omg.DynamicAny.DynAnyFactoryPackage.InconsistentTypeCode
7: public static org.omg.DynamicAny.DynAnyFactoryPackage.InconsistentTypeCode
9: public static org.omg.DynamicAny.DynAnyFactoryPackage.InconsistentTypeCode
9: public static org.omg.DynamicAny.DynUnion createDynUnion (TypeCode tc)
10: throws org.omg.DynamicAny.DynAnyFactoryPackage.InconsistentTypeCode
11: public static org.omg.DynamicAny.DynEnum createDynEnum (TypeCode tc)
12: throws org.omg.DynamicAny.DynAnyFactoryPackage.InconsistentTypeCode
```



5.1.4 Implementing an Interface

A simple example is presented to demonstrate the use of the OpenFusion object adapter. This consists of two interfaces: a Counter interface that implements simple counter functionality, and, a CounterFactory interface that is used to create Counter objects with the ability to set their initial count. These interfaces are defined as follows:

```
1: #pragma prefix "prismt.com/cos/CosLifeCycle/examples"
3: module Counters
5:
      interface Counter
 6:
7:
         attribute long count;
8:
 9:
10:
      interface CounterFactory
11:
12:
         Counter createCounter (in long initial);
     };
13:
14: };
```

The OpenFusion object adapter supports both persistent and transient objects. To demonstrate the usage of both, the Counter interface is implemented as a persistent object whereas the CounterFactory interface is implemented as a transient. The Counter interface is implemented by the CounterImpl class as follows:

```
1: package com.prismt.cos.CosLifeCycle.examples.Counters;
2:
3: import java.io.Serializable;
4: import com.prismt.orb.ObjectAdapter;
 6: public class CounterImpl implements CounterOperations, Serializable
7: {
8:
       public CounterImpl ()
9:
10:
         value = 0;
11:
12:
13:
      public CounterImpl (int val)
14:
15:
         value = val;
16:
17:
      public int count ()
18:
19:
20:
         return value;
21:
22:
23:
      public void count (int count)
24:
      value = count;
25:
26:
         ObjectAdapter.save (this);
27:
28:
29:
      private int value;
```

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30: }

This implementation simply implements the operations defined in the CounterOperations class and uses the ObjectAdapter save operation to save its state when the count changes. The save operation will have no effect when an implementation is created as a non-persistent, i.e. transient, object.

The CounterFactory interface is implemented by the FactoryImpl class as follows:

```
1: package com.prismt.cos.CosLifeCycle.examples.Counters;
3: import org.omg.CosLifeCycle.*;
4: import com.prismt.orb.ObjectAdapter;
6: public class FactoryImpl implements CounterFactoryOperations
7: {
8:
       public static final void main (String[] args)
9:
10:
          ObjectAdapter.init (args);
11:
12:
          ObjectAdapter.createTransient (new FactoryImpl ());
13:
14:
          ObjectAdapter.ready ();
15:
16:
17:
       public Counter createCounter (int count)
18:
19:
          org.omg.CORBA.Object ref;
20:
21:
          ref = ObjectAdapter.createPersistent (new CounterImpl (count));
22:
23:
          return (CounterHelper.narrow (ref));
24:
25: }
```

This implementation implements the createCounter operation defined in the CounterFactoryOperations interface. This operation simply creates a new Counter implementation as a persistent CORBA object. The factory object itself is created as a transient CORBA object in main.

5.1.5 Persistent Servers

The OpenFusion ORB portability framework uses UUIDs to identify both persistent objects and persistent servers that contain these objects. Persistent objects are created within the context of a persistent server. When a server is running, persistent objects may be deactivated and reactivated, on demand, any number of times until they are explicitly destroyed. Persistent objects can also maintain their state across the cycle of starting and stopping persistent servers. To do this, a persistent server must be coded, or configured, so that it has the same identity each time it is started.

Servers must be registered with the ORB as OpenFusion. <uuid>, where <uuid> is the server's UUID.



Server identity is encapsulated within the com.prismt.util.PID class. This has a setPID operation that can be used to hard code the identity of a server. This must be done before the ORB is initialised.

```
package com.prismt.orb.examples;

public class Server
{
    public static void main (String args[])
    {
        com.prismt.util.PID.setPID ("43fe0080-9b6c-11d4-9727-af67c68e5b18");
        com.prismt.orb.ObjectAdapter.init (args);
        com.prismt.orb.ObjectAdapter.ready ();
    }
}
```

Alternatively, the Java system property Process.PID can be set as a JVM command line parameter to determine the id of a server. This has the advantage over the hard coded approach in that it is possible to run multiple instances of the same server class with different identities.

```
% run -DProcess.PID=43fe0080-9b6c-11d4-9727-af67c68e5b18
MyServer
```

Persistent state must also be configured in order to use persistent servers and objects. (See Section 6, *Configuring Persistent Storage*, on page 101.)

5.2 Running User Defined Clients and Servers

5.2.1 Resolving Services

The OpenFusion Java examples use the resolve_initial_references method to access the individual CORBA services. The examples and other clients must be run in a manner that is specific to each ORB vendor in order for this mechanism to be correctly initialised. The following sections assume JacORB.

Services can be resolved either via static configuration or dynamically via an ORB initialisation class.

5.2.1.1 Configuration

IORs created for persistent services may be configured as initial references. The following example shows how this can be done directly via a configuration file entry.

Alternatively, a utility class has been provided to help in the generation of a configuration file from the generated IOR files. This can be run as follows:

```
% java com.prismt.openfusion.orb.ConfigGen jacorb
domain_xml out_file
```

This reads in all the configured services within an OpenFusion domain identified by the domain_xml file or URL, and writes out a JacORB configuration file, out_file, for these services. This file can then be appended to the standard JacORB properties configuration file.

5.2.1.2 Dynamic Registration

Services may be registered using a portable interceptor ORB initialisation class. The following Java system property should be defined, noting that the <code>jacorb14</code> shown in the system property should be replaced with <code>jacorb21</code>, <code>jacorb23</code>, or <code>jacorb30</code> for the relevant JacORB version:

```
-Dorg.omg.PortableInterceptor.ORBInitializerClass.com. prismt.orb.portable.jacorb14.Initializer
```

Visibroker and Orbix users should refer to their respective ORB documentation for dynamic registration of their ORB.

5.2.2 Jar Files

The CLASSPATH must contain the following jar files when using OpenFusion services or the examples. The required jar files are listed in *Table 9*. These files are need to compile applications

The correct classpath for JacORB and OpenFusion RTOrb JavaTM Edition can be automatically set by scripts included with the OpenFusion distribution. If these scripts are used (which is recommended), then developers do not need to manually add the jax files to the classpath.



Please refer to the ORB documentation for specific ORB configuration requirements.:

Table 9 Jar Files

ORB Required Jar Files		ORB Subdirectory	
JacORB 1.4	jacorb.jar	lib	
JacORB 2.x, 3.x	jacorb.jar	lib/endorsed	
RTOrb	ofj.jar	lib/endorsed	

5.2.3 Using OpenFusion Run Scripts

A script file named **run** has been provided on UNIX systems (named **run.bat** on NT) to simplify the command line execution of classes used in conjunction with OpenFusion. The script will add the required standard properties to the command line; the user has only to consider properties and parameters required for the execution of the target class.

5.2.4 Command Line Format

Example command line formats when using the scripts, where classname is replaced by the required Java client class:

5.2.4.0.1 Classname only

% run classname

5.2.4.0.2 Classname with parameters and/or properties

% run [-x] [-d] [-s] -DmyDef=adef classname myParam

The -x option runs the JVM using the -Xbootclasspath flag. For further details on the Xbootclasspath flag see *Use Xbootclasspath* in Section 3.5, *Java Properties*.

The -d option runs the class in debug mode. This mode displays debug information on the console for any client class which implements debug debug from the log4j logging package.

The -s option enables security for the client. The run script sets the property -DSecurityEnabled=true. The OpenFusion Security Service is described in *Section 8* on page 117.

5.3 OpenFusion Java IDL Compilation

There are a number of issues to consider when compiling interfaces using any of the OpenFusion defined services. These are demonstrated in the following Notification Service example, News.idl.

```
1: #include <CosNotifyComm.idl>
 3: #pragma prefix "prismt.com/cos/CosNotification/examples"
 4:
 5: module News
 6: {
      interface Bureau : CosNotifyComm::StructuredPushSupplier
7:
8:
      void broadcast ();
void stop ();
9:
10:
11:
      };
12:
13:
      interface Listener: CosNotifyComm::StructuredPushConsumer
14:
      void select (in string bureau);
15:
16:
         void print ();
     };
17:
18: };
```

The elements to be considered when compiling News.idl and other similar IDL files are:

IDL Compilers and Definitions

Each ORB vendor has its own IDL to Java compiler and the code generated may be ORB specific. All ORB vendor specific includes, definitions and fixups are handled in a orbdefs.idl file. This is included where required by all other IDL files supplied as part of the distribution. When using the IDL compiler to compile any of these files, the appropriate ORB must be identified with a -D parameter. The values currently supported are.

ORB	Definition
-DJACORB14	JacORB 1.4
-DJACORB20	JacORB 2.1
-DJACORB23	JacORB 2.3
-DJACORB30	JacORB 3.0
-DOFJ	OpenFusion RTOrb Java™ Edition

Table 10 ORB Definitions



• Package Specification

The compiler has to be provided with the specifications for the OpenFusion packages that will be used in this module. The example below illustrates the required format for an included package.

```
-i2jpackage CosNotifyComm:org.omg.CosNotifyComm
```

- The compiler needs to be informed of the location of the package being compiled as well as provided with details of the location of external packages.
- Include Directories

An include path must be provided with the -I flag for any included IDL file. All OpenFusion service IDL files are provided in the idl subdirectory of a distribution. ORB vendor IDL files may also be required.

ORB	Include Subdirectory		
JacORB 1.4	idl		
JacORB 2.1	idl		
JacORB 2.3	idl		
JacORB 3.0	idl		
OpenFusion RTOrb Java™ Edition	idl		

Table 11 IDL Includes

Output Directory

An output directory, where the compiler can place the generated Java files, is usually specified:

```
-d outputDir
```

5.4 C++ Support

OpenFusion services may be used from C++ clients. The client side stubs must be compiled from the provided IDL service definitions in order to do this. Please see your ORB vendor's documentation and examples for full details on how to do this. Some general guidelines are provided below.

```
#include <CosPropertyService.idl>
module Example
{
  interface MyServer : CosPropertyService::PropertySet
  {
```

```
void printAllProperties();
};
};
```

The elements to be considered when compiling IDL files using C++ are:

IDL Compilers and Definitions

Each ORB vendor has its own IDL to C++ compiler and the code generated is ORB specific. Any OpenFusion IDL specifying definitions must also be compiled for the ORB and language used, i.e. with a -D parameter. A set of orb/platform specific .mk files can be found in the <OPENFUSION>/etc directory where the appropriate idl compiler and -D parameters are already set. The Makefiles within the examples include the appropriate file from this directory.

Include Directories

An include path to the location of the standard OMG IDL files must be provided as an OpenFusion interface is inherited. This will be the same for any vendor but the format will vary depending upon the platform.

For Solaris:

```
INCS += -I<OPENFUSION>/idl
```

Again, the .mk files found in the <OPENFUSION>/etc directory include the standard OMG and OpenFusion IDL. Only user defined IDL needs to be specifically included in Makefiles when the /etc/*.mk files are included.

Should you require further assistance with developing C++ clients or code examples, see the OpenFusion support page at: http://www.prismtech.com



CHAPTER

6 Configuring Persistent Storage

OpenFusion CORBA Services supports persistent storage via JDBC access to a relational database. Oracle, Sybase, Informix, and hsqldb are supported on both Unix and Windows platforms. Microsoft SQL Server is supported on Windows. See the Product Guide for details of supported versions.

Persistent storage is configured for each Service using the following properties on the **Persistence** tab of the Administration Manager:

- Storage Write Interval
- Storage Write Batch Size
- JDBC Handler
- JDBC Database Type
- JDBC URL
- JDBC Driver
- JDBC Logging
- JDBC User
- JDBC Password

See Persistence Properties on page 43 for details of these properties.

The default persistence database is hsqldb, which is installed with the OpenFusion CORBA Services distribution and will run with no additional configuration.

6.1 Configuring a JDBC Data Source

JDBC stands for Java Database Connectivity and is a Java implementation of the Open Database Connectivity standard (ODBC). JDBC specifies a standard interface to allow Java applications to access a relational database. All JDBC drivers support this interface, thus allowing applications to be written against the interface and isolating the developer from the different database vendors' APIs.

The JDBC data source must be pre-configured prior to running a Service. The process of configuring a JDBC database source for the databases supported by the OpenFusion CORBA Services is described below.



Your Database Administrator should configure the JDBC data source when using Oracle, Sybase, Informix or SQL Server. The hsqldb database runs locally and is installed with the OpenFusion CORBA Services distribution. No additional configuration should be required.

A set of SQL scripts that will generate all the necessary tables and stored procedures needed by the Services, within the database, have been provided. The scripts create all the necessary indexes for the tables, thus making searching through the database faster.

When an OpenFusion Service starts, it will check for the existence of the required tables (the common tables and the tables specific to that Service) in the directory indicated by the **JDBC URL** property. If the tables do not exist, OpenFusion will attempt to create them.

The scripts involved in creating the required tables and indexes are:

Script **Description** CreateCommonTables.sql Creates common shared tables (required by all services). DropCommonTables.sql Drops the common shared tables. CreateJNDITables.sql Creates tables for the Naming Service. Drops the tables created for the Naming Service. DropJNDITables.sql CreateTraderTables.sql Creates tables for the Trading Service. DropTraderTables.sql Drops the tables created for the Trading Service. CreateNotificationTables.sql Creates tables for the Notification Service. DropNotificationTables.sql Drops the tables created for the Notification Service. CreateLogTables.sql Creates tables for the Log Service. DropLogTables.sql Drops the tables created for the Log Service.

Table 12 SQL Scripts

These scripts can be found in the /admin/database/ sub-directory of the OpenFusion installation. Scripts are provided for each supported database.

The common tables must always be created. If the tables for each Service are held in Service-specific directories, a separate set of common tables must exist in each directory. If all the tables are held in a single location, only one set of common tables will be required in that location.

All the name of created tables are prefixed with of and all stored procedures with of.

6.2 Oracle

The various OpenFusion tables and stored procedures can be added to an Oracle database using the sqlplus application, as follows:

```
% sqlplus <USER>/<PASSWORD> < <FILE.SQL>
```

Alternatively, the generic OpenFusion JDBC Loader class can be used, as follows:

```
> run com.prismt.jdbc.Loader -dt oracle -db <URL>
   -dr oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver -u <USER>
   -p <PASSWORD> -s <SCRIPT> [-v]
```

Where:

<URL> is the database URL pointing to the directory created in Step 1.

<USER> is the database owner.

<PASSWORD> is the owner's database password.

<SCRIPT> is the SQL script from *Table 12* on page 102.

-v is an optional switch which will cause Loader to produce verbose output (listing each individual command from the script file before it executes it).

The Oracle user must have the rights to create tables and procedures in the database in order to run the SQL scripts successfully using either of the above methods.

6.2.1 Oracle Thin Drivers

The *type 4 thin* (all Java) Oracle JDBC drivers are supplied as part of the OpenFusion distribution. The Oracle JDBC drivers are from the Oracle 8.1.7 distribution and are backwardly compatible to Oracle version 7.3.4. The Oracle JDK 1.2 JDBC driver is supplied in the lib directory of the distribution in the zip file classes12.zip.

6.2.2 Oracle OCI Drivers

To use OCI Drivers with OpenFusion Services, the *oci7* or *oci8* drivers must be obtained from Oracle. These can be downloaded from http://technet.oracle.com (these drivers are not included as part of the OpenFusion distribution). Complete the following steps to configure the system to use these drivers.

Step 1: Install classes12.zip into the directory:

<INSTALL>/lib

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

Step 2: Install the appropriate driver file (liboci73jdbc.so or libocijdbc8.so, depending on the version of Oracle being used) into the directory:

<INSTALL>/lib



where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

Step 3: Edit the file <INSTALL>/bin/.javaenv (where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory) to remove this line:

```
unset LD_LIBRARY_PATH

and add the following two lines:

LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/lib

export LD_LIBRARY_PATH
```

- **Step 4:** In the Administration Manager, set the **JDBC URL** property to:
 - For Oracle 7:

```
jdbc:oracle:oci7:@
```

• For Oracle 8:

```
jdbc:oracle:oci8:@
```

6.3 Sybase

The various OpenFusion tables and stored procedures can be added to a Sybase database using a generic OpenFusion loader class. This can be done using:

```
% run com.prismt.jdbc.Loader -dt sybase -db <URL>
   -dr com.sybase.jdbc2.jdbc.SybDriver -u <USER>
   -p <PASSWORD> -s <SCRIPT> [-v]
```

Where:

<URL> is the database URL

<USER> is the database owner.

<PASSWORD> is the owner's database password.

<SCRIPT> is the SQL script from *Table 12* on page 102.

-v is an optional switch which will cause Loader to produce verbose output (listing each individual command from the script file before it executes it).

The Sybase user must have the rights to create tables and procedures in the database in order to run the SQL scripts successfully using the above method.

The SQL scripts assume that the tables and procedures are being added to the user's default database. The use database command should be added to the start of the scripts when this is not the case.

6.4 Informix

The various OpenFusion tables and stored procedures can be added to an Informix database using the dbaccess application that is provided with Informix, as follows:

```
% dbaccess <DATABASE> <SCRIPT>
```

Where:

<DATABASE> is the name of the Informix database.
<SCRIPT> is the SQL script from Table 12 on page 102.

Alternatively, the generic OpenFusion JDBC Loader class can be used, as follows:

```
> run com.prismt.jdbc.Loader -dt informix -db <URL>
   -dr com.informix.jdbc.IfxDriver -u <USER>
   -p <PASSWORD> -s <SCRIPT> [-v]
```

Where:

<URL> is the database URL

<USER> is the database owner.

<PASSWORD> is the owner's database password.

<SCRIPT> is the SQL script from *Table 12* on page 102.

-v is an optional switch which will cause Loader to produce verbose output (listing each individual command from the script file before it executes it).

The Informix user must have the rights to create tables and procedures in the database in order to run the SQL scripts successfully using either of the above methods.

The appropriate access rights must also be granted in order for the OpenFusion services to access the database. See the Informix documentation for details of how to do this.

6.5 SQL Server

The various OpenFusion tables and stored procedures can be added to an SQL Server database using a generic OpenFusion JDBC Loader class. Use the following command to run this using the JDBC/OBDC driver supplied as part of the Java Runtime Environment on NT:

```
> run com.prismt.jdbc.Loader -dt sqlserver -db <URL>
   -dr com.microsoft.jdbc.sqlserver.SQLServerDriver
   -u <USER> -p <PASSWORD> -s <SCRIPT> [-v]
```

Where:

<URL> is the database URL



```
<USER> is the database owner.
```

- <PASSWORD> is the owner's database password.
- <SCRIPT> is the SQL script from *Table 12* on page 102.
- -v is an optional switch which will cause Loader to produce verbose output (listing each individual command from the script file before it executes it).

6.6 MySQL

The various OpenFusion tables can be added to a MySQL database using the *mysql* application which is provided with MySQL, as follows:

```
% mysql -u <USER> -p<PASSWORD> -D <DATABASE> < <SCRIPT>
```

Where

- <USER> is the database owner
- <PASSWORD> is the database owner's password
- <DATABASE> is the name of the MySQL database
- *<SCRIPT>* is the SQL script from Table 12, SQL Scripts, on page 102.

Alternatively, the generic OpenFusion JDBC Loader class can be used, as follows:

```
% run com.prismt.jdbc.Loader -dt mysql -db <URL> -dr \
com.mysql.jdbc.Driver -u <USER> -p <PASSWORD> -s \
<SCRIPT> [-v]
```

Where:

- <URL> is the database URL
- *<USER>* is the database owner.
- <PASSWORD> is the database owner's password.
- *<SCRIPT>* is the SQL script from Table 12 on page 108.
- -v is an optional switch which will cause *Loader* to produce verbose output (listing each individual command from the script file before it executes it).

The MySQL user must have *create* rights (for the SQL *create* scripts) and the *drop* right (for the SQL *prop* scripts) in the database in order to run the SQL scripts successfully using either of the above methods.

The SQL scripts assume that the tables are being added to the user's default database. If this is not the case, and the database name is not specified either directly or as part of the database URL, then the use <database> command should be added to the start of the scripts.

6.7 hsqldb

The hsqldb database is installed with the OpenFusion CORBA Services and configured automatically to run in standalone mode. Additional configuration is required to use hsqldb in client/server mode. To configure a new instance of hsqldb, the following steps should be used.

6.7.1 Create an hsqldb Instance

- **Step 1:** Create a directory to contain the database.
- **Step 2:** Use the following command to add OpenFusion tables to the database:

```
% run com.prismt.jdbc.Loader -dt hsqldb -db <URL>
  -dr org.hsqldb.jdbcDriver -u <USER> -p <PASSWORD>
  -s <SCRIPT> [-v]
```

Where:

<URL> is the database URL pointing to the directory created in Step 1.

<USER> is the database owner.

<PASSWORD> is the owner's database password.

<SCRIPT> is the SQL script from *Table 12* on page 102.

-v is an optional switch which will cause Loader to produce verbose output (listing each individual command from the script file before it executes it).

Note that OpenFusion's default behaviour is to create the tables required by a Service in the data sub-directory of the Service's directory.

6.7.2 Configure OpenFusion Services to Run with hsqldb Persistence

Set the following properties in the Administration Manager. See Section 3.1, *Persistence Properties* on page 43, for full details of these properties.

- In order to establish a connection to hsqldb, set the **JDBC URL** property to the value supplied to the -db switch in Step 2, above.
- To use the default administrator account, set the **JDBC User** property to sa and the **JDBC Password** property to blank.

Alternatively, a new hsqldb user can be created. This user must have admin privileges in order to close down the database automatically and must be granted appropriate access permissions for the database tables.



6.7.3 hsqldb in Client/Server Mode

The default version of hsqldb used when a Service started is in standalone mode. This means that only one application can access the database at a time. To access the same database simultaneously from multiple JVMs, the Client/Server version of hsqldb must be used. This is highly recommended when using hsqldb in a production environment.

A Java Object for the configuration and management of hsqldb instances, **HSQLDBObject**, is included with the OpenFusion product distribution. To use the Java Object, add a Service to the OpenFusion Object Hierarchy (calling it, for example, HSQLDBService) and add the Java Object to it, as described in *Extending the Object Hierarchy* on page 15. When the Service is started, the hsqldb database will be started.

The database must have its tables loaded using the com.prismt.jdbc.Loader class, as described in step 2 of *Create an hsqldb Instance* on page 107.

Use the Administration Manager to configure the properties of the HSQLDBObject. The properties are described below.

6.7.3.1 Name

The name and full path of the database. This identifies where data files will be stored. The default location is:

<INSTALL>/domains/<DOMAIN>/<NODE>/<SERVICE>/data/HSQLDBServer

Where:

- <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.
- <DOMAIN> is the name of the domain in the Object Hierarchy.
- <NODE> is the name of the Node in the Object Hierarchy.
- <SERVICE> is the name of the Service that has been created to hold the HSQLDBObject.

| Property Name | Name |
|---------------|------------|
| Property Type | FIXED |
| Data Type | FILE |
| Accessibility | READ/WRITE |
| Mandatory | YES |



6.7.3.2 Timeout

When the Service containing the HSQLDBObject is started, it polls hsqldb to determine whether it can establish a connection. When the Service is stopped, it polls hsqldb to see if the shutdown statement has completed execution. The **Timeout** property is used by the Administration Manager to determine how long (in seconds) the Service will spend polling the database.

The default value is 30 seconds.

| Property Name | Timeout |
|---------------|------------|
| Property Type | STATIC |
| Data Type | INTEGER |
| Accessibility | READ/WRITE |
| Mandatory | YES |

6.7.3.3 Trace

This property toggles the JDBC Trace on and off. If the property is checked (true), The JDBC Trace is switched on. The JDBC Trace is off by default.

| Property Name | Trace |
|---------------|------------|
| Property Type | STATIC |
| Data Type | BOOLEAN |
| Accessibility | READ/WRITE |
| Mandatory | NO |

6.7.3.4 No System Exit

If this property is checked (true), it directs hsqldb to avoid System.exit() calls when the shutdown command is issued to the database. This is of particular importance when running an hsqldb server inside another application. The property is mainly used to ensure interoperability with application servers.

| Property Name | NoSystemExit |
|---------------|--------------|
| Property Type | STATIC |
| Data Type | BOOLEAN |
| Accessibility | READ/WRITE |
| Mandatory | NO |



6.7.3.5 Silent

If this property is checked (true), it allows the database to display all queries.

| Property Name | Silent |
|---------------|------------|
| Property Type | FIXED |
| Data Type | BOOLEAN |
| Accessibility | READ/WRITE |
| Mandatory | NO |

6.7.3.6 Port

The port that the hsqldb database listens on. If more than one instance of hsqldb is running on a machine, each must be set to use a different port.

For each OpenFusion Service that will use the hsqldb instance, set the **JBDC URL** property to include the specified port (see *JDBC URL* on page 45).

The default port is 9001. If this default is used, it does not need to be added to the JDBC URL.

| Property Name | Port |
|---------------|------------|
| Property Type | STATIC |
| Data Type | INTEGER |
| Accessibility | READ/WRITE |
| Mandatory | YES |

6.7.4 Restoring Data



If the **Restore** command is used to restore a Service to its default state (see *Restoring Services and Singletons* on page 20), all hsqldb tables and data for the Service being restored will be deleted.

This will only happen if the default **JDBC URL** is used. If the tables are in an alternative location (not a subdirectory of the Service being restored), the tables will not be deleted. The procedures given above can be used to configure an instance of hsqldb in a different location.

CHAPTER

Command Line Tools

All command line tools are found in the <install_dir>/bin directory, where <install dir> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

7.1 IOR Decoder

OpenFusion provides a tool that will decode an Interoperable Object Reference (IOR) and display its component parts or, alternatively, will generate a corbaloc:iiop URL that can be used in place of an IOR for obtaining a reference to a CORBA object.

The IOR Decoder is started with the following command:

```
% iorDecoder [-corbaloc] (-ior <IOR> | -file <file>)
[-h | -? | -help]
```

The parameters are defined as follows:

| -corbaloc | This option specifies that the tool should generate a corbaloc: iiop URL for the IOR. |
|---------------------|---|
| -ior <ior></ior> | <ior> is the IOR to decode.</ior> |
| -file <file></file> | <file> is a file containing the IOR to decode.</file> |
| -h -? -help | These options are equivalent and print usage information for the tool. |

If the IOR Decoder is invoked with the -corbaloc option then a corbaloc:iiop URL is generated for the IOR. Otherwise, the IOR is decoded and its type, port, host and stringified object key are displayed.

7.2 Administration Manager Tool

The XML configuration files in an OpenFusion installation can be fully populated from within the Administration Manager GUI (as described in *Completing the XML File Installation* on page 146). As an alternative to running the Administration Manager GUI, OpenFusion provides a command line Administration Manager tool, adminMgrTool, that will fully populate the XML configuration files.



The Administration Manager tool is started with the following command:

```
% adminMgrTool <parameter>
```

The following parameters can be used with the tool to provide different functionality:

-p

Causes the tool to fully populate the XML configuration files.

```
-r <restore name>
```

Restores a named object in the Object Hierarchy. restore_name is a hierarchical name (using dots to separate the name components) which identifies the object to be restored. For example, to restore the NotificationService from the localhost node of the OpenFusion domain:

```
adminMgrTool -r OpenFusion.localhost.NotificationService
-d <node name>
```

Deletes a named object in the Object Hierarchy. <node_name> is a hierarchical name (using dots to separate the name components) which identifies the object to be deleted. For example, to delete the **NotificationService** from the **localhost** node of the **OpenFusion** domain:

```
adminMgrTool -d OpenFusion.localhost.NotificationService
-aDom <domain_name>
```

Adds a Domain to the Object Hierarchy. For example:

```
adminMgrTool -aDom OpenFusion
-aNode <domain name> <node name>
```

Adds a node to a domain, where <domain_name> is the name of the domain that the node will be added to. For example, to add the **localhost** node to the **Openfusion** domain:

```
adminMgrTool -aNode Openfusion localhost
-aServ <node_name> <service_name>
```

Adds a Service to a node in the Object Hierarchy. <node_name> is a hierarchical name (using dots to separate the name components) which identifies the node that the Service will be added to. For example, to add NamingService to the localhost node of the OpenFusion domain:

```
adminMgrTool -aServ OpenFusion.localhost NameService
-aSing <service name> <singleton name>
```

Adds a Singleton to a Service. <singleton_name> is a hierarchical name (using dots to separate the name components) which identifies the Service that the Singleton will be added to. For example, to add the NameSingleton to the NameService:

```
adminMgrTool -aSing OpenFusion.localhost.NameService
NameSingleton
-aJO <service name> <java object name>
```

Adds a Java Object to a Service. <service_name> is a hierarchical name (using dots to separate the name components) which identifies the Service that the object will be added to. For example, to add the SNMPAgentObject to the NameService:

```
adminMgrTool -aJO OpenFusion,localhost.NameService
SNMPAgentObject
-ap <object_name>   <new_property_value>
```

Changes a property value for an object in the Object Hierarchy. <object_name> is a hierarchical name (using dots to separate the name components) which identifies the object. For example, to change the value of the Naming Service log4j.rootLogger property to "Debug":

Displays a property value for an object in the Object Hierarchy. <object_name> is a hierarchical name (using dots to separate the name components) which identifies the object. components) is the name of the property to be displayed. For example, to display the value of the Naming Service logging level property:

```
adminMgrTool -dpv OpenFusion.localhost.NameService
log4j.rootLogger
-h
-?
-help
```

These options are equivalent and print usage information for the tool.

A single command line can only include one parameter. So to add a domain, a node, and two Services to the Object Hierarchy, for example, the Administration Manager tool must be invoked four times with a different object added in each invocation.



The Administration Manager tool must be invoked with the -p option before any Services can be started from the command line using the server -start script (as described in *Starting Servers from the Command Line* on page 4).



7.3 Configuration Generator

OpenFusion provides a tool that will parse an XML configuration hierarchy and output references to configured objects in a form suitable either for inclusion in an ORB configuration file or as arguments that can be passed to an ORB at initialization.

The Configuration Generator is started with the following command:

```
% configGen -orb (orbix2000 | orbacus | jacorb |
   portable | visibroker) -domain_xml <XML>
   [-out_file <file>] [-h | -? | -help]
```

The parameters are defined as follows:

| -orb | This option specifies the type of ORB for which output is to be generated. |
|-------------------------|---|
| -domain_xml <xml></xml> | <pre><xml> is the XML configuration file for the domain to be parsed by the tool.</xml></pre> |
| -out_file <file></file> | <file> is the file to contain the generated output.</file> |
| -h -? -help | These options are equivalent and print usage information for the tool. |

If the Configuration Generator is invoked without the <code>-out_file</code> parameter then the output is written to the console. If the <code>portable</code> type is specified with the <code>-orb</code> option then the output is in the format <code>-ORBInitRef</code> <code><ObjectID>=<ObjectURL></code> described in the CORBA specification.

SECURITY SERVICE

CHAPTER

8 Description

The OpenFusion Security Service provides the ability to apply access control to CORBA Services and Java Objects.

Access control is based upon clients' identities being verified by plug-in authentication modules. The OpenFusion Security Service is independent of the authentication technology in use, allowing the flexibility of a range of authentication systems from simple username/password entry to voice or fingerprint verification.

The Security Service can be used to control access to individual Object instances or even specific methods. This level of granularity provides an extremely flexible and configurable security model. For example, individual Notification Service message queues can be secured so that only clients which provide a valid username and password combination can access a particular queue. This is of great value in messaging applications where sensitive data is involved; in the banking sector, for example.

8.1 Concepts and Architecture

The OpenFusion Security Service supports the use of *Pluggable Authentication Modules* (PAM) which conform to Sun's *Java Authentication and Authorisation Service* (JAAS) API specification. Pluggable authentication modules allow the Security Service to remain independent of the underlying authentication technologies. Typical authentication modules may prompt for and verify a username and password, for example.

8.1.1 Securable Objects

The Security Service allows security to be applied to CORBA Objects and Java Objects. Any Java Object which implements the <code>Identifiable</code> interface, and any CORBA Object, is a securable object.

For a CORBA Object, only operations interfaces and their methods are securable.

For a Java Object, only the interfaces from the class implementing the Identifiable interface (its interfaces and the interfaces of its superclasses) are securable.

Running the Security Service does not automatically secure all objects and Services. Nothing is secured in a default OpenFusion installation. It is necessary to identify which resources will be secured and to establish access lists for each resource.



8.1.2 Authentication

The purpose of the authentication process is to associate a *Principal* with a *Subject*.

A Subject is any client or user of a Service or resource. A Principal is a name that represents an identity attribute. For example, a Principal could be the user ID of the client user, the user's role within an organisation, or the name of a group of users.

Authentication can be performed on either the client or the server side of any transaction, or on both sides of the transaction. If successful, the Subject will be associated with zero or more Principals. One Subject may have several Principals, representing the names by which it is identified to different Services.

Once a Subject has been authenticated, the Security Service propagates the Subject's identity (Principal) to all subsequent actions attempted by that Subject.

8.1.3 ACLs

An *ACL* (Access Control List) is a list of Principals which will be allowed access to a particular resource. When a subject attempts to access a resource, the Security Service checks each of the Subject's Principals against the resource's ACLs to determine whether access should be allowed.

Each given resource can have two different ACLs in effect:

- The ACL specific to this particular method on this particular type of object. If an ACL is not defined at the method level, the ACL for the type of object is used, if defined.
- The ACL specific to this particular method on this particular object instance. If an ACL is not defined at the method level, the ACL for the object instance is used, if defined

If either or both ACLs are defined for a resource, Principals which are listed in either or both ACLs will be allowed access the resource. Principals which do not appear on either list will be denied access.

If no ACLs are defined, the resource will be considered unrestricted and access will be permitted to any Subject.

If both ACLs are defined and both are empty lists, or if only one ACL is defined and it is an empty list, all access to the resource is prohibited.

If one ACL grants a Principal access to a resource, that access cannot be revoked by the resource's other ACL. So if a Principal is granted access to a particular type of object, those access rights extend to all instances of that object even where the instance has a blank ACL (which would normally deny access to all Principals).

ACLs are created and maintained through the Security Administration Manager (see Section 11, *Security Administration Manager*, on page 133) and are held as XML files. It is possible, but not recommended, to edit the XML files using some method other than the Security Administration Manager.

The UML model in *Figure 13* shows the relationship between Principals and ACLs.

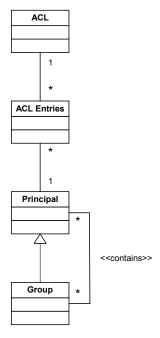


Figure 13 ACL UML Model

8.1.4 Groups

Groups represent collections of Principals. Groups cannot be assigned to a Subject, but they can be used in ACLs in order to simplify the construction of the ACL.



It is possible to construct Groups of Groups, recursively, with the resulting potential for cyclic references. Cyclic references will be rejected from the ACL with unpredictable results, and so should be avoided when Groups are constructed.

When the Security Service evaluates an ACL to determine if a Principal should be granted access to a resource, all Groups in the ACL will be examined to see if the Principal is a member. If the Principal is a member of a Group in the ACL, it will be granted access.

ACLs are examined to determine Group membership each time an attempt is made to access a resource.



Group details are defined in an XML file, as described in Section 9.2, *Creating ACL Groups* on page 123.

8.1.5 Mapping Principals

The OpenFusion Security Service LoginModule includes a mechanism for mapping Principals to a Subject at the point of authentication. The LoginModule examines the Principals which other login modules have associated with a Subject and determines whether mappings exist between those Principals and any other Principals. If mappings exist, the mapped Principals are also associated with the Subject.

Principal mappings are defined in an XML file, as described in Section 9.3, *Creating Principal Mappings* on page 124.

8.1.5.0.1 Example:

A user logs on to the system, providing his user name joe and password secret to the login module. These are authenticated and found to be correct. The login module assigns a Principal, joe, to represent his authenticated identity.

In the Principal Mappings file, a mapping exists between the Principal joe and the two Principals administrator and boss. These Principals are added to the Subject joe. Furthermore, the Principal administrator is also mapped to the Principal quest. This mapping is resolved, and quest is also assigned to joe.

After login, joe will be able to access any resource whose ACL includes any of the Principals joe, administrator, boss, or guest, or any Groups which had any of these Principals as direct or indirect members.

8.1.6 LoginModule

The supplied LoginModule includes a simple Generic Security Service Username and Password (GSSUP) authentication mechanism. It holds user names against passwords in plain text in an XML file and will successfully authenticate any user which supplies a correct username and password pair.

Other Pluggable Authentication Modules can be used, as long as they conform to the JAAS specification. A discussion of Pluggable Authentication Modules is outside the scope of this document.

When different authentication modules are used, the last stage of authentication is always performed by the Security Service <code>LoginModule</code>, which performs Principal mapping as described in *Mapping Principals* on page 120.

CHAPTER

Using Specific Features

This section describes the main procedures for securing OpenFusion Services. The procedures are the same for any OpenFusion Service.

9.1 Securing an Interface or Method

This procedure describes how an object can be secured using the Administration Manager. Each object and method for which security access has been set is stored persistently in an XML file. It is possible, but not recommended, to add entries directly to the XML file without using the Security Administration Manager.

See Section 11, *Security Administration Manager*, on page 133, for a further details of using the Security Administration Manager.

- **Step 1:** Ensure that the Service is **Stopped**. Note that it is possible to configure a running service, but see *Step 10*: on page 122.
- **Step 2:** Select the Service in the Administration Manager's Object Hierarchy and select the **SECURITY** tab in the properties panel.
- **Step 3:** Enable security for the Service by clicking the **Security Enabled** check box.
- **Step 4:** Enter the location of the following security configuration files:
 - XML Group Persistence
 - XML Principal Persistence
 - JAAS Configuration File
 - XML ACL Persistence
 - Security Credentials File
 - Security Configuration File

If these properties are unavailable (grey), it means that the **Security Enabled** property has not been set.

Default locations are supplied for all of these files, and can be accepted without change if desired.

- Step 5: Start the Service and then start the Service Manager.
- Step 6: Right-click on an object in the Service Manager hierarchy and select Security Administration Manager from the popup menu. This will start the Security Administration Manager with the security object hierarchy populated with the interfaces and methods of the selected object.



The Security Administration Manager is fully described in Section 11, *Security Administration Manager*, on page 133.

Step 7: Select an interface or method in the security object hierarchy. This is the operation which we will secure so that only authorised clients can access it.

The security Principals that are associated with the operation will be shown in the **Access Entry Details** list. At this point, the list should be blank.

Step 8: Type a Principal name in the Enter principal to be added box and click the Add button. This will add the principal to the Access Entry Details list.

Only clients which supply valid credentials for the listed Principal will be able to access the operation. Note that by default (before any security Principals are added), any client could have accessed the operation. The act of adding a Principal effectively denies access to everybody except that Principal.

Repeat the previous step with additional Principals, if required.

- **Step 9:** Click the **Save Changes to Security Access Entries** tool bar button. This action saves the security configuration to persistent storage.
- **Step 10:** If the Service is running, go back to the **SECURITY** tab of the Administration Manager and click the **Reload Security Configuration** signal button to force the Service to reload the security configuration from persistent storage (XML files).

A Service reads its security configuration on start-up. Any changes made in the Security Administration Manager while the service is running will not be automatically implemented. This signal must be used to implement the changes in the running Service.

This step is only required if the Service is running when the properties are changed. If the Service is stopped first, there is no need to force a configuration reload.



The signal button reloads the configuration from the XML files, *not* from the current state of the Security Administration Manager. Any changes made in the Security Administration Manager *must* be explicitly saved (using the tool bar button) before the signal button is used to reload the configuration. Otherwise, the changes will be lost.

9.1.1 Excluding Methods from the Security Manager

In some circumstances, it is only possible to secure an object at the object level, not at the method level. This is because the methods are never called on an instantiated object and therefore can never be intercepted. (This only allies to instantiated objects, never to interfaces.) In this situation, it is useful to exclude the object's methods from the object hierarchy of the Security Administration Manager. This avoids the mistaken belief that an object has been made secure because its methods appear secure, when in fact the security should have been set at the object level.

To exclude an object from the hierarchy, add an entry for the object to the SecurityObjectLevel.xml file, using a suitable XML editor or plain text editor. This file is located in the <install>/xml/security directory (where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path).

i A working knowledge of XML is required to edit the SecurityObjectLevel file. An example of this file is given below.

Example 1 SecurityObjectLevel File

9.2 Creating ACL Groups

Groups represent collections of Principals. Groups can be placed into an ACL in order to simplify the construction of ACLs. ACL Group details are defined in an XML file.

- *i* A working knowledge of XML is required to create and maintain ACL Groups. An example of the XML Group Persistence File is given below.
- **Step 1:** Select the Service in the Administration Manager's Object Hierarchy and select the **SECURITY** tab in the properties panel.
- Step 2: Enable security for the Service by clicking the Security Enabled check box.
- **Step 3:** Enter the location of the **XML Group Persistence** file. The default location can be used if required.

Services can share a single Group persistence file, or a different file can be specified for each Service. The default is for all Services to store their Group persistence files in a common location

- *Step 4:* Locate the XML Group Persistence File in the directory identified in Step 3.
- **Step 5:** Use a suitable XML editor or plain text editor to create or modify the XML Group Persistence file. The file must conform to the following schema:

```
<install>/xml/schema/of-security-groups.xsd
```

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.

Step 6: Click the **Reload Security Configuration** signal button on the **SECURITY** tab to force the underlying Service to implement the changed security configuration.



Example XML Group Persistence File:

9.3 Creating Principal Mappings

Mappings between Principals can be used to assign additional Principals to a subject at the point of authentication. Principal mappings are defined in an XML file.

- *i* A working knowledge of XML is required to create and maintain Principal mappings. An example of the XML Principal Persistence File is given below.
- **Step 1:** Select the Service in the Administration Manager's Object Hierarchy and select the **SECURITY** tab in the properties panel.
- **Step 2:** Enable security for the Service by clicking the **Security Enabled** check box.
- **Step 3:** Enter the location of the **XML Principal Persistence** file. The default location can be used if required.

Services can share a single Principal mapping file, or a different file can be specified for each Service. The default is for all Services to store their Principal mapping files in a common location.

- *Step 4:* Locate the XML Principal mapping file in the directory identified in Step 3.
- **Step 5:** Use a suitable XML editor or plain text editor to create or modify the XML Principal mapping file. The file must conform to the following schema:

```
<install>/xml/schema/of-security-principal-map.xsd
```

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.

Step 6: Click the **Reload Security Configuration** signal button on the **SECURITY** tab to force the underlying Service to implement the changed security configuration.

Example XML Principal Persistence File:

```
<impliesPrincipal>admin</impliesPrincipal>
   </principal>
   <principal>
      <principalName>user</principalName>
      <impliesPrincipal>canRead</impliesPrincipal>
      <impliesPrincipal>canPrint</impliesPrincipal>
      <impliesPrincipal>canExecute</impliesPrincipal>
   </principal>
   cipal>
      <principalName>admin</principalName>
      <impliesPrincipal>user</impliesPrincipal>
      <impliesPrincipal>canWrite</impliesPrincipal>
   </principal>
   cipal>
      <principalName>canRead</principalName>
   </principal>
   <principal>
      <principalName>canPrint</principalName>
   </principal>
  cipal>
      <principalName>canExecute</principalName>
  </principal>
   cipal>
      <principalName>canWrite</principalName>
   </principal>
</principalMappings>
```

9.4 Supplying Authorised Credentials

Authorised credentials must be supplied by any client code which attempts to use a secured operation. Authentication is carried out by a Pluggable Authentication Module (PAM). The login module supplied with OpenFusion provides a Generic Security Service Username and Password (GSSUP) authentication mechanism. The supplied module is:

```
com.prismt.openfusion.security.login.LoginModule
```

The default LoginModule compares supplied credentials with the list of credentials held in the Security Credentials file to determine validity. This is a plain-text XML file stored in a location identified by the **Security Credentials File** property in the Administration Manager. The location can also be set in the gssupUsers element of the Security Configuration file or in the system property security.UserDataFile. See Security Configuration File Properties on page 130 for details.

The default location of the Security Credentials file is:

```
<install>/Security/etc/security/userdata.xml
```

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.



A working knowledge of XML or familiarity with an XML editor is required to create and maintain the Security Credentials file. An example of this file is given below.

Example Security Credentials File:

CHAPTER

10 Security Configuration

Security must be configured separately for a Service and for the clients of that Service. Service configuration is performed through the Administration Manager. Client configuration comes from a combination of system properties and details stored in an XML file.

10.1 Configuring a Secure OpenFusion Service

Security properties for a service are configured through the Administration Manager, as follows.

- *Step 1:* Select a Service in the Administration Manager's **Object Hierarchy**.
- Step 2: Select the SECURITY tab.
- **Step 3:** Set the following properties:
 - Security Enabled
 - XML Group Persistence
 - XML Principal Persistence
 - JAAS Configuration File
 - XML ACL Persistence
 - Security Credentials File
 - Security Configuration File

These properties are fully described in *Security Administration Manager Properties*, below.

These properties should be configured separately for each OpenFusion Service.

10.1.1 Security Administration Manager Properties

Services can share common persistence files, or different file locations can be specified for each Service. The default is for all Services to store their persistence files in a common location, which means that by default the above properties are configured identically for each Service.

Security Enabled

If this property is checked, security is enabled for the Service. If security is not enabled, the remaining properties on this tab are unavailable.



Property Name	security.Enabled
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	BOOLEAN
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

XML Group Persistence

The name and location of the XML group persistence file, given as either a *file* or *http* URL. This defaults to:

file:<install>/etc/security/grouppersistence.xml

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.

This file is described in 9.2, Creating ACL Groups, on page 123.

Property Name	security.XMLGroupPersistenceFile
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

XML Principal Persistence

The name and location of the XML principal persistence file, given as either a *file* or *http* URL. This defaults to:

file:<install>/etc/security/principalpersistence.xml

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.

This file is described in described in 9.3, Creating Principal Mappings, on page 124

Property Name	security.XMLPrincipalPersistenceFile
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

JAAS Configuration File

The name and location of the Java Authentication and Authorisation Service (JAAS) configuration file, given as either a *file* or *http* URL. This defaults to:

file:<install>/etc/security/jaas.config

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.

Property Name	java.security.auth.login.config
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

XML ACL Persistence

The name and location of the XML ACL persistence file, given as either a *file* or *http* URL. This defaults to:

file:<install>/etc/security/accessentry.xml

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.

Property Name	security.XMLACLPersistenceFile
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

Security Credentials File

The name and location of the file holding user credentials, given as either a *file* or a *http* URL. This defaults to:

file:<install>/Security/etc/security/userdata.xml

where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.

This file is described in *Supplying Authorised Credentials* on page 125.

Property Name	security.UserDataFile	
Property Type	STATIC	
Data Type	URL	
Accessibility	READ/WRITE	
Mandatory	YES	

Security Configuration File

The name and location of the security configuration file, given as either a *file* or a *http* URL. This defaults to:

file:<install>/etc/security/SecurityProperties.xml



where <install> is the OpenFusion CORBA Services installation path.

This file is described in *Security Configuration File Properties* on page 130.

This property will be over-ridden by the system property security. Configuration File, if it is set.

Property Name	security.ConfigFile
Property Type	STATIC
Data Type	URL
Accessibility	READ/WRITE
Mandatory	YES

10.2 Configuring a Secure Client

A secure client is configured from properties held as elements in an XML file. The location of this file is given by the system property security. ConfigurationFile. If this has not been set, the location will be taken from the **Security Configation File** property set in the Administration Manager.

A working knowledge of XML or familiarity with an XML editor is required to create the Security Configuration file.

10.2.1 Security Configuration File Properties

The following properties can be set in the Security Configuration file. Some of these properties can also be set (or overridden) in other ways, as noted.

securityEnabled

This property determines whether security will be enabled or disabled and can take the values true (enabled) or false (disabled). It defaults to false if not explicitly set.

To disable security, neither this property nor the **Security Enabled** property in the Administration Manager must be set to true. Either one of the two properties set to true is sufficient to enable security.

gssupCredential

This includes two properties: user and password, which are the GSSUP credentials that will be used for the Subject.

There are three ways that these properties can be set. In order of precedence, these are:

1. As the following system properties:

```
OF.Security.UserName OF.Security.Password
```

2. Programatically, by invoking the following methods:

com.prismt.openfusion.security.util.Configuration.getInstance().setGSSUPUserName(
name)
com.prismt.openfusion.security.util.Configuration.getInstance().setGSSUPPassword(
password)

3. In the Security Configuration file, as in the following example fragment:

```
<gssupCredential>
     <user>administrator</user>
     <password>my_password</password>
</gssupCredential>
```

fileLocations

This group of properties defines the locations of up to five different files used by the Security Service:

• principalMappings

This property gives the location of the Principal Mappings file (described in 9.3, Creating Principal Mappings, on page 124). If this property is set, it will override the XML Principal Persistence File property set in the Administration Manager. The system property security.XMLPrincipalPersistenceFile can be used to override the location set by this property.

• acls

This property gives the location of the ACL Persistence file. If this property is set, it will override the **XML ACL Persistence File** property set in the Administration Manager. The system property security.XMLACLPersistenceFile can be used to override the location set by this property.

· groups

This property gives the location of the Group Persistence file (described in 9.2, *Creating ACL Groups*, on page 123). If this property is set, it will override the **XML Group Persistence File** property set in the Administration Manager. The system property security.XMLGroupPersistenceFile can be used to override the location set by this property.

• qssupUsers



This property gives the location of the file that holds user names and passwords for the default LoginModule. If this property is set, it will override the **Security Credentials File** property set in the Administration Manager. The system property security. UserDataFile can be used to override the location set by this property.

• jaasLoginConfig

If this property is present, its value will be used to set the java.security.auth.login.config system property. It is used by the com.sun.security.auth.login.ConfigFile object, which handles runtime login configuration. For more details, consult the JAAS documentation.

jaasLoginConfigName

If this property is present, it will override the default key used to identify the configured LoginModules. The default value of this key is *OpenFusion*. For more details, consult the JAAS documentation.

clientSideLogin

If this property is set to true, LoginModules will be triggered on the client side of a call. The property defaults to false if not explicitly set.

serverSideLogin

If this property is set to true, LoginModules will be triggered if this is the server side of a call. The property defaults to true if not explicitly set.

Example Security Configuration File

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<securityConfig xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"</pre>
        NamespaceSchemaLocation="/openfusion/xml/schema/of-security-config.xsd">
   <gssupCredential>
     <user>administrator</user>
     <password>my password</password>
    </gssupCredential>
   <fileLocations>
<principalMappings>http://configserver/openfusion/mapping.xml</principalMappings>
      <acls>http://configserver/openfusion/acls.xml</acls>
      <groups>http://configserver/openfusion/groups.xml</groups>
      <gssupUsers>http://configserver/openfusion/usersfile.xml/gssupUsers>
<jaasLoginConfig>http://configserver/openfusion/jaas.config</jaasLoginConfig>
   </fileLocations>
   <jaasLoginConfigName>LoginConfig Name/jaasLoginConfigName>
   <clientSideLogin>false</clientSideLogin>
   <serverSideLogin>true</serverSideLogin>
</securityConfig>
```

CHAPTER

II Security Administration Manager

Use the Security Administration Manager to create and maintain ACLs for the OpenFusion Services. The Manager allows Principals to be added to individual objects, interfaces, or methods.

11.1 Starting the Security Administration Manager

The Security Administration Manager cannot be started from the command line. It must be started from within the Administration Manager, either from a Service node or from an instantiated object.

• Starting from a Service node

To start the Security Administration Manager, right-click on a Service node in the Administration Manager's **Object Hierarchy** and select **Security Administration Manager** from the pop-up menu.

When the Security Administration Manager is started from a Service node, the browser will not be initially populated with entries in the security object hierarchy.

• Starting from an instantiated object

The Security Administration Manager can be started from any node in a Service Manager's object hierarchy which represents a securable object.

To start the Security Administration Manager, right-click on the selected node and select **Security Administration Manager** from the pop-up menu.

When the Security Administration Manager is started from an instantiated object, the security object hierarchy will be populated automatically with the object's interfaces and the methods it implements (including methods inherited from its interfaces).

Only one instance of the Security Administration Manager can be loaded in any one session.



11.2 Using the Security Administration Manager

The left-hand panel of the Security Administration Manager (the security object hierarchy) shows the securable objects that have been loaded into the Security Administration Manager. The right-hand panel shows details of the object selected in the hierarchy. See Figure 14, *The Security Administration Manager*, on page 134.

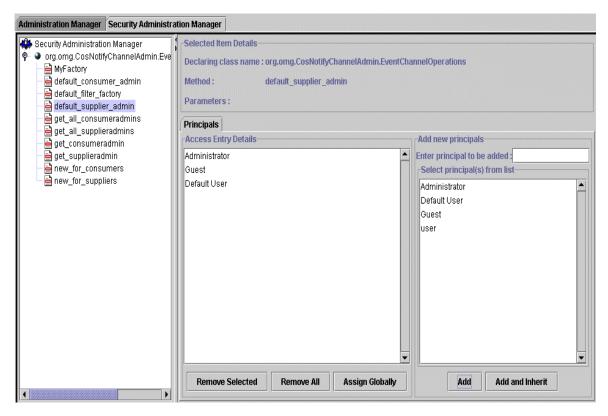


Figure 14 The Security Administration Manager

11.2.1 Object Hierarchy

The security object hierarchy shows the securable objects that have been loaded into the Security Administration Manager.



Figure 15 The Security Object Hierarchy

If the Security Administration Manager is launched from an instantiated object, the security object hierarchy will be automatically populated with objects, interfaces, and methods. If these objects are then assigned security access entries, they will be added to persistent storage.

When the Security Administration Manager is launched from a Service node, the security object hierarchy is empty. To populate it with entries from persistent storage, right-click on the **root node** and use one of the pop-up menu options, described below.

Different objects in the Security Administration Manager are identified by different icons in the security object hierarchy tree view. These icons are shown in *Table 13*.



Table 13 Security Object Icons

Icon	Node	
*	Root Node The object hierarchy root node.	
	Object	
•	Represents a CORBA object or Java object. When this node is selected, security access information for the object is shown in the right-hand panel.	
	When this node is expanded, all methods applicable to the object are shown. Methods inherited from any operations type class are also shown.	
	Туре	
몵	Represents an object's operations type class, to allow security access controls to be set against either the object or the type.	
	Method	
	Represents a method, which is the lowest level at which security access controls can be set. When this node is selected, security access information for the method is shown in the right-hand panel.	

11.2.1.1 Security Hierarchy Options

The following options are used to populate the security object hierarchy. These options are accessed by right-clicking on the **root node** of the security object hierarchy.

- Get First 100 Security Access Entries
 - This option retrieves the first 100 entries in the XML file. For performance reasons, the number of entries displayed at any one time is limited to 100.
- Get Next 100 Security Access Entries

This option is enabled after the **Get First 100 Security Access Entries** option has been used. This option retrieves the next 100 security access entries from the XML file. The previous 100 entries are removed from the hierarchy, so that a maximum of 100 entries are displayed at one time.

Search

This option allows a single interface to be loaded from persistent storage. Enter an interface name in the dialog box displayed when this option is selected. If an entry exists in persistent storage for the object, or a method or interface relating to the object, the details are retrieved and added to the security object hierarchy.

Add New Security Access Entry

This option allows a new security access entry to be added for an interface. Enter an interface name in the dialog box displayed when this option is selected. If an entry exists in persistent storage for the object, or a method or interface relating to the object, the details are retrieved and added to the security object hierarchy. If it does not exist, the details will be added to the security object hierarchy and a persistent storage entry will be created if Principals are added and saved.

11.2.1.2 Excluding Methods from the Object Hierarchy

In some circumstances, it is only possible to secure an object at the object level, not at the method level. In this situation, it is useful to exclude the object's methods from the object hierarchy. See *Excluding Methods from the Security Manager* on page 122 for details.

11.2.2 Tool Bar Buttons

The Security Administration Manager adds a new button to the tool bar. This button is shown in *Table 14*.

Table 14 Security Administration Manager Tool Bar

Button	Function
	Save Changes to Security Access Entries
SAE	Saves security access entries to XML files for persistent storage.

11.2.3 Principals Panel

The **Principals** panel controls security access for the object, interface, or method selected in the security hierarchy. It consists of two sections: **Add new principals** and **Access Entry Details**.

The **Access Entry Details** list box lists all Principals who have been granted access to the class or method. The **Add new principals** list box lists all Principals that are available for adding to a class or method. This list is built dynamically as each node is selected. It is *not* a definitive list of all known Principals.



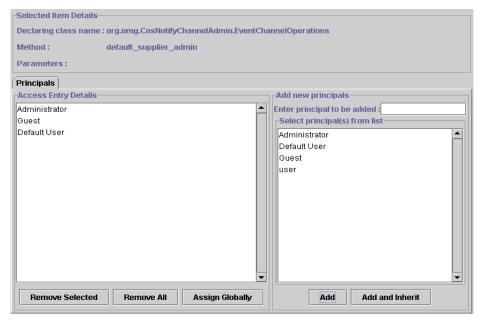


Figure 16 The Principals Panel

11.2.3.1 Operations

The following operations can be performed from the Principals panel of the Security Administration Manager:

- · Add a new Principal
- Assign a Principal to a class or method
- · Add and inherit
- Remove a Principal from a Class or Method
- Remove All Principals from a Class or Method
- Delete Access Entries Globally
- Assign Principals Globally

These operations are described in the following sections.

Add a New Principal

- **Step 1:** In the security object hierarchy, select the class or method that the Principal will be added to.
- Step 2: Enter the Principal name in the text box under Add new principles.
- **Step 3:** Click the **Add** button. The Principal will be added to the **Access Entry Details** list.

Step 4: Click the **Save Changes to Security Access Entries** tool bar button to commit the changes.

A Principal must be added to a specific class or method. It is not possible to add a Principal to the list of Principals without also assigning it to a class or method.

A new Principal will be added to persistent storage with the ACL entry for the object, interface, or method it is added to.

Assign a Principal to a Class or Method

Once a Principal has been added to one class or method, it is available to add to other classes and methods.

- **Step 1:** Select the class or method from the security object hierarchy.
- **Step 2:** Click the Principal name in the list of Principals. Use shift+click to select a range of Principals, ctrl+click to select a non-contiguous range.
- Step 3: Click the Add button. The Principal will be added to the selected class or method.
- **Step 4:** Click the **Save Changes to Security Access Entries** tool bar button to commit the changes.

Add and Inherit

Principals applied to an object or interface are not automatically applied to every method of that object or interface. The following procedure should be used to cause a method to inherit its parent's security Principals.

- Step 1: Select a method from the security object hierarchy.
- **Step 2:** Click the **Add and Inherit** button. (This button is not enabled until a method is selected in the security object hierarchy.)
- **Step 3:** Click the **Save Changes to Security Access Entries** tool bar button to commit the changes.

Remove a Principal from a Class or Method

- **Step 1:** Select the class or method from the security object hierarchy.
- **Step 2:** Click the Principal name in the **Access Entry Details** list. Use shift+click to select a range of Principals, ctrl+click to select a non-contiguous range.
- **Step 3:** Click the **Remove Selected** button.
- **Step 4:** Click the **Save Changes to Security Access Entries** tool bar button to commit the changes.

Note that when a Principal has been removed from all classes and methods and the changes saved, it is no longer held in persistent storage. It remains in the Principals list until the Security Administration Manager is shut down.



Remove All Principals from a Class or Method

There are two ways in which all Principals can be removed from a class or method. The results of the two procedures are significantly different because of how empty ACLs are treated. See *ACLs* on page 118 for more details of this.

Remove Principals and deny all access

This will leave the class or method's ACL with no Principals recorded against it. This has the effect of denying all access to the class (if Principals are removed at the class level) or method (if Principals are removed at the method level).

- **Step 1:** Select the class or method from the security object hierarchy.
- **Step 2:** Click the **Remove All** button.
- **Step 3:** Click the **Save Changes to Security Access Entries** tool bar button to commit the changes.

Remove Principals and allow free access

This will remove the class or method's ACL. This has the effect of removing all security from the class (if Principals are removed at the class level) or method (if Principals are removed at the method level) and allowing anyone access to it.

- **Step 1:** Right-click the class or method in the security object hierarchy.
- **Step 2:** Select **Delete Access Entry** from the pop-up menu.
- Step 3: Click the Save Changes to Security Access Entries tool bar button to commit the changes.

Delete Access Entries Globally

This procedure will delete all security access entries for an object or interface, and all security access entries for methods of that object or interface.

- *Step 1:* Right-click the object or interface in the security object hierarchy.
- **Step 2:** Select **Global Delete** from the pop-up menu.

Note that the deleted Principals remain in the Principals list until another node in the security object hierarchy is selected.

Step 3: Click the **Save Changes to Security Access Entries** tool bar button to commit the changes.

Assign Principals Globally

- Step 1: Assign Principals to a class or method, using the steps in either Add a New Principal on page 138 or Assign a Principal to a Class or Method on page 139.
- **Step 2:** Click the **Assign Globally** button. Every Principal in the **Access Entry Details** list is assigned to all methods of the parent object or interface.

Step 3: Click the **Save Changes to Security Access Entries** tool bar button to commit the changes.

11.2.3.2 Implementing Security Configuration Changes

Changes to the security configuration for a Service can be performed while the Service is running or halted, but changes made while the Service is running will not be immediately implemented. There are two ways in which security changes can be passed to a running Service:

- If the Service is stopped and re-started, it will read and implement the new security configuration.
- If the **Reload Security Configuration** signal button is clicked, the Service re-reads the security configuration and implements any changes.

11.2.3.3 Interfaces

This panel is only displayed when the Security Administration Manager has been invoked from a Service node (see *Starting from a Service node* on page 133).

The **Interfaces** panel lists the interfaces for the class selected in the security object hierarchy. These interfaces may have their own security access settings, and so can be loaded into the security object hierarchy.

To load an interface class into the hierarchy:

- **Step 1:** Select an object in the security hierarchy. The **Interfaces** panel will not be available if a method is selected.
- **Step 2:** Select the **Interfaces** tab in the right-hand panel of the Security Administration Manager.
- Step 3: Select the required interface from the list in the Interfaces panel.
- Step 4: Click the Load Selected Class button.

The class (including all of its methods) is loaded as a separate node in the security object hierarchy, and if it has access details in persistent storage they are retrieved and loaded also





Appendix



XML Configuration Files

All properties for the OpenFusion CORBA Services are stored in and controlled from XML files, making the list of properties flexible and extensible.

It is possible to directly edit property values in the XML files, although it is recommended that the Administration Manager interface be used. The Administration Manager provides proper validation of input and reduces errors.

Manually editing the XML configuration files is not recommended, but it would be possible to programmatically alter the properties. The XML files are described here for developers who wish to do that. The OpenFusion graphical tools include an XML editor which performs validation against XML DTDs. A command-line utility for setting properties is also provided; this is described in *Command Line Configuration* on page 152.

All configuration files are stored under the OpenFusion installation directory.



Take great care when manually editing XML files as errors can seriously interfere with the functioning of the OpenFusion graphical tools and Services.



Directory paths given as examples in this section use Unix conventions. Users of OpenFusion on Windows NT should make the appropriate substitutions.

The Object Hierarchy

The domains directory under the OpenFusion installation directory contains the XML files that record the current configuration of the OpenFusion installation. The domains directory structure maps directly to the **Object Hierarchy** in the Administration Manager, so a directory exists for each domain, node, Service, Singleton, and Java Object. The directory must have exactly the same name as the domain, node, Service, Singleton, or Java Object it represents.

For example, the **localhost** node in the Administration Manager's default **Object Hierarchy** is represented by the following directory structure:

<INSTALL>/domains/OpenFusion/localhost

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

If the **Object Hierarchy** is altered or added to through the Administration Manager (see *Extending the Object Hierarchy* on page 15), new directories and XML files are created to reflect the new structure



The following figure shows the correlation between the **Object Hierarchy** and the domains directory structure (the illustration is from Windows NT, however the same structure is used on UNIX).

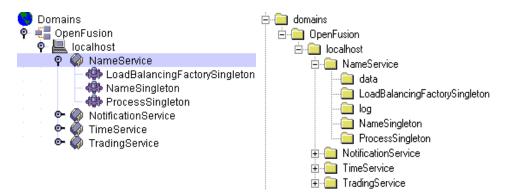


Figure 17: Object Hierarchy and Directory Structure

Completing the XML File Installation

The normal installation of OpenFusion CORBA Services creates minimal XML configuration files in the domains directory structure. These files only contain configuration information for properties which differ from the default values. To fully populate these XML files with property information, you must run the Administration Manager and save the configuration.

As an alternative to running the Administration Manager GUI, the configuration can be completed using the Administration Manager command line tool, described in 7.2, *Administration Manager Tool*, on page 111.



This *must* be performed before any Services can be started from the command line using the server -start script (as described in *Starting Servers from the Command Line* on page 4).

Directory Tree

The structure of the domains directory is shown in Figure 18:.

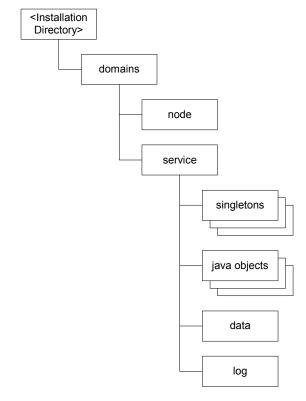


Figure 18: Domains Directory Tree

Configuration information is stored in XML files at each level of the directory tree.

XML Files

Domains and Nodes

Each domain and node directory must contain a single file, <name>.xml, where <name> is the name of the domain or node.

The domain and node files list all the children of that domain or node. They also show whether the **Object Hierarchy** has been locked at that level (see *Locking Nodes* on page 19).

These files are located and named as follows:

```
<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<domain>.xml
<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<node>.xml
```



where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory, <domain> is the name of the domain, and <node> is the name of the node.

For example, the **localhost** node in the Administration Manager's **Object Hierarchy** is defined in the following XML file:

<INSTALL>/domains/OpenFusion/localhost/localhost.xml

The XML file also records whether or not the node is locked (see *Locking Nodes* on page 19).

The format of the XML files for domains and nodes is defined in the following DTD files:

```
<INSTALL>/xml/schema/Domain.dtd
<INSTALL>/xml/schema/Node.dtd
```

Services

Each Service directory must contain a single file, <service>.xml, where <service> is the name of the Service.

The service file lists the Singletons and Java Objects under that Service. They also show whether the **Object Hierarchy** has been locked at that level (see *Locking Nodes* on page 19) and store any run time properties for the service.

These files are located as follows:

```
<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/<service>.xml
```

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory, <domain> is the name of the domain, <node> is the name of the node, and <service> is the name of the Service.

For example, the **NameService** node in the Administration Manager's **Object Hierarchy** is defined in the following XML file:

```
<INSTALL>/domains/OpenFusion/localhost/NameService/NameService.xml
```

The XML file also records the current value and locking status of each property belonging to the Service. See *Common Configuration Properties* on page 43 for details of Service properties.

The format of the XML files for Services is defined in the following DTD file:

```
<INSTALL>/xml/schema/Service.dtd
```

Singletons

Each Singleton directory must contain a file, <singleton>.xml, where <singleton> is the name of the Singleton. The directory also contains the Singleton's IOR file (after the Service has been started).

These files are located as follows:

```
<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/<singleton>/<singleton>.
xml
```

<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/<singleton>/<singleton>.
ior

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory, <domain> is the name of the domain, <node> is the name of the node, and <service> is the name of the Service that contains the Singleton.

For example, the **NameSingleton** Singleton in the Administration Manager's **Object Hierarchy** is represented by the following XML file:

```
<INSTALL>/domains/OpenFusion/localhost/NameService/NameSingleton/
    NameSingleton.xml
```

The XML file records the current value and locking status of each property belonging to the Singleton. See *Common Configuration Properties* on page 43 for details of properties.

The format of the XML files for Singletons is defined in the following DTD file:

```
<INSTALL>/xml/schema/Singleton.dtd
```

Java Objects

Each Java Object directory must contain a file, <javaobject>.xml, where <javaobject> is the name of the Java Object.

This file is located as follows:

```
<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/<javaobject>/<javaobject>.xml
```

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory, <domain> is the name of the domain, <node> is the name of the node, and <service> is the name of the Service that contains the Java Object.

For example, the **ChannelConfiguratorObject** Java Object in the Administration Manager's **Object Hierarchy** is represented by the following XML file:

The XML file records the current value and locking status of each property belonging to the Java Object. See *Common Configuration Properties* on page 43 for details of properties.

The format of the XML files for Java Objects is defined in the following DTD file:

```
<INSTALL>/xml/schema/JavaObject.dtd
```

See Appendix C, *Managing Java Objects*, for details of how to create and configure Java Objects.



XML Templates

The xml/templates directory under the OpenFusion installation directory contains the XML files that define the properties for every object in the Administration Manager's **Object Hierarchy**.

To add a property to a Service, Singleton, or Java Object in the **Object Hierarchy**, the property must be fully defined in the appropriate XML file, as described below.

See *Properties* on page 21 for details of how properties are displayed in the Administration Manager.

Directory Tree

The structure of the templates directory is shown in *Figure 19*:

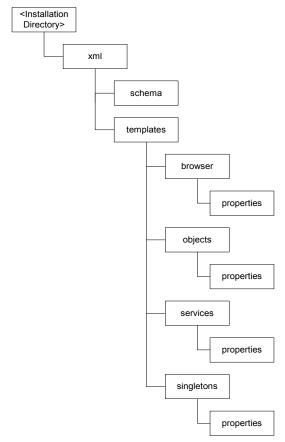


Figure 19: Templates Directory Tree

Defining a Property in the XML File

The XML DTDs in the schema directory (see *XML Schema* on page 151) define how a new property must be created in the XML files. The following notes give further explanations of the XML elements.

GroupName

In the Administration Manager, each group is assigned a different pane and identified by a named tab. The **GroupName** element identifies which tab the property will appear on.

CategoryName

This is an organisational element. Properties on the same tab which also have the same **CategoryName** are grouped together on the tab.

Dependencies

Dependencies describe the relationship between different set of properties. If setting a property to a specific value will disable (lock) or enable (unlock) other properties, the **Dependencies** element should be used to show that relationship.

Conditional

Some properties apply only to specific system configurations. For example, some properties relate to a specific ORB and will not appear on the Administration Manager screens if a different ORB is in use. **Conditional** elements, if present, show which configurations are required for the property to be valid. The conditions currently supported are CORBA version, Java version, operating system, and ORB version. Permitted values are shown in the DTD.

XML Schema

All XML files used to configure the managers and browsers must conform to the DTDs in the directory:

<INSTALL>/xml/schema

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory.

The configuration DTD files are listed in *Table 15*.

Table 15 DTD Files

File	Function
Domain.dtd	Describes a domain object the Object Hierarchy .
JavaObject.dtd	Describes a Java Object in the Object Hierarchy .
Node.dtd	Describes a node object in the Object Hierarchy .



Table 15 DTD Files (Continued)

File	Function
Properties.dtd	Describes the properties of an object and controls how they are displayed in the property pane of the Administration Manager.
Service.dtd	Describes a service process object in the Object Hierarchy .
Singleton.dtd	Describes a Singleton object in the Object Hierarchy .



Warning: under no circumstances alter any DTD files in the schema directory.

Command Line Configuration

The OpenFusion CORBA Services distribution includes a command-line utility com.prismt.openfusion.tools.ChangeSettings which can be used to set properties in the XML configuration files. This provides an alternative to using the Administration Manager and can be useful when performing a command-line or script-driven install of OpenFusion.

This utility is run as follows:

Where:

<dir> is the directory that contains the XML files.
property> is the name of the property which is to be set.
<value> is the value that the property is to be set to.

The utility will search all XML files in the specified directory, and recursively in all directories below that directory, for incidences of the specified property. Wherever an incidence of that property is located, it is set to the specified value.

Multiple property-value arguments can be specified, allowing several properties to be set in a single operation.

Properties can only be set in XML files which conform to the DTD for OpenFusion property files.

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Because directories are searched recursively, care must be taken when specifying the directory argument. If a property exists in multiple different services but should be set to a different value in each service (IOR.URL, for example), it would be a bad idea to set that property by running the utility at the domains directory level.

i All Service properties are named and described in the Configuration and Management section of each Service guide. Properties common to all Services are documented in Section 3, *Common Configuration Properties*, on page 43 of this guide.



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Appendix

B Log Messages

OpenFusion uses the *log4j* package to support error diagnostics and logging. This is a public domain logging package. Further details can be found at http://jakarta.apache.org/log4j.

Conceptually, the log4j package supports appenders and layout managers. Appenders direct output to a particular destination such as file or system log. Layout managers can be used to format the generated log message. Every appender has an associated layout manager.

The layout of the log messages in OpenFusion is set to the default pattern layout of the log4j package, which means only the message and severity appear. The format of the output message can be customised by the use of a pattern layout manager and an associated conversion pattern. See the on-line log4j documentation for details on how this can be done.

Using a Pattern Layout

To use a pattern layout for a Service, the **Log Layout** property for that Service must be set to **Pattern**. See *Log Layout* on page 49 for details of how to set this in the Administration Manager.

The format of the output message is customised by entering a pattern string in the **Log Pattern** property for the service. See *Log Pattern* on page 49.

For example, to prefix the date and time to the log messages generated by the Notification Service use the following pattern:

%d{DATE} - %m%n

It is recommended that %n is always appended to the end of any log pattern. This forces a line break at the end of each message and makes the log file easier to read.



Conversion Characters

The characters that can be used in a logging pattern are shown in Table 16, *Conversion Characters*. The patterns are case-sensitive.

Table 16 Conversion Characters

Conversion Character	Effect
Character	
% C	The category of the logging event. The category conversion specifier can be optionally followed by a <i>precision specifier</i> , which is a decimal constant in brackets.
	If a precision specifier is given, then only the corresponding number of right-most components of the category name will be printed. By default, the category name is printed in full.
	For example, for the category name "a.b.c" the pattern %c{2} will output "b.c".
%C	The fully-qualified class name of the caller issuing the logging request. This conversion specifier can be optionally followed by a <i>precision specifier</i> , which is a decimal constant in brackets.
	If a precision specifier is given, then only the corresponding number of right-most components of the class name will be printed. By default the class name is output in fully-qualified form.
	For example, for the class name "org.apache.xyz.SomeClass" the pattern %C{1} will output "SomeClass".
	WARNING: Generating the caller class information is slow. Its use should be avoided unless execution speed is not an issue.
%F	The file name where the logging request was issued.
	WARNING: Generating caller location information is extremely slow. Its use should be avoided unless execution speed is not an issue.

Table 16 Conversion Characters (Continued)

Conversion Character	Effect
%d	The date of the logging event. The date conversion specifier may be followed by a <i>date format specifier</i> enclosed between braces. For example, %d{HH:mm:ss,SSS} or %d{dd MMM yyyy HH:mm:ss,SSS}. If no date format specifier is given then ISO8601 format is assumed.
	The date format specifier uses the same syntax as the time pattern string of the SimpleDateFormat. Although part of the standard JDK, the performance of SimpleDateFormat is quite poor.
	For better results it is recommended to use the log4j date formatters. These can be specified using one of the strings ABSOLUTE, DATE and ISO8601 for specifying AbsoluteTimeDateFormat, DateTimeDateFormat, and ISO8601DateFormat respectively. For example, %d{ISO8601} or %d{ABSOLUTE}.
	These dedicated date formatters perform significantly better than SimpleDateFormat.
%1	Location information of the caller which generated the logging event.
	The location information depends on the JVM implementation but usually consists of the fully qualified name of the calling method followed by the caller's source file name and line number between parentheses.
	The location information can be very useful. However, its generation is <i>extremely</i> slow. Its use should be avoided unless execution speed is not an issue.
%L	The line number from where the logging request was issued.
	WARNING: Generating caller location information is extremely slow. Its use should be avoided unless execution speed is not an issue.
%m	The application-supplied message associated with the event being logged.



Table 16 Conversion Characters (Continued)

Conversion Character	Effect
%M	The name of the method where the logging request was issued.
	WARNING: Generating caller location information is extremely slow. Its use should be avoided unless execution speed is not an issue.
%p	The priority of the logging event.
%r	The number of milliseconds elapsed since the start of the application and the time of creation of the logging event.
%t	The name of the thread that generated the logging event.
%x	The NDC (nested diagnostic context) associated with the thread that generated the logging event.
%n	A platform-dependent new line character (usually included at the end of each logging pattern, to force one message per line in the log file).
	This conversion character offers practically the same performance as using non-portable line separator strings such as "\n", or "\r\n". Thus, it is the preferred way of specifying a line separator.
용용	A single percent sign (required to escape the percent sign).

Appendix



Managing Java Objects

The OpenFusion Administration Manager can be used to manage and configure user-defined Java Objects. Java Objects can be added to the Administration Manager's Object Hierarchy as described in *Extending the Object Hierarchy* on page 15. To make a Java Object available for management in the Administration Manager, the Java Object must be set up as described in this Appendix.

The Administration Manager can be used to configure the Java Object's properties. To provide further management facilities, a custom GUI browser (which must extend com.prismt.browser.BaseBrowser) can be created for the Object. The browser can be launched from the Administration Manager (effectively acting as an Administration Manager plug-in) or started from a command line.

Creating the Java Object

If a Java Object is to use the ORB or any of the properties passed through from the Openfusion Service, then it must implement the com.prismt.openfusion.plugin.JavaObject interface. This interface is defined as follows:

```
public interface JavaObject
{
   public void init (org.omg.CORBA.ORB orb, ExtendedProperties props) throws
Exception;
}
```

ExtendedProperties is found in the com.prismt.util package, which would have to be imported.

Management of the Java Object also requires a default constructor. When a Service containing the Java Object is started, the Administration Manager calls the Object's default constructor followed by the init method (if the JavaObject interface is not implemented then only the default constructor is called).

Describing the Java Object in XML

An XML file must be created for each Java Object and placed in the <INSTALL>/xml/templates/objects directory (where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory). This file should be given the name of the Java Object. For example:

<INSTALL>/xml/templates/objects/MyObject.xml



The presence of this file makes the Java Object available for adding to the Object Hierarchy.

See XML Configuration Files on page 145 for more of the XML files used by OpenFusion.

The Java Object definition file must conform to the DTD specified in <INSTALL>/xml/schema/JavaObject.dtd.

The following example illustrates the MyObject.xml file for the MyObject Java Object:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8">
<!DOCTYPE JavaObject SYSTEM</pre>
"file://PrismTech/OpenFusion/xml/schema/JavaObject.dtd">
<JavaObject>
  <Name>
    My Object
  </Name>
  <ClassName>
    user.path.MyObjectImpl
  </ClassName>
  <Browser>
    <BrowserName>
      My Object Manager
    </BrowserName>
    <BrowserClassName>
      user.path.browser.MyObjectBrowser
    </BrowserClassName>
  </Browser>
</JavaObject>
```

Name - The name of the Java Object as it will appear in the menu of available objects in the Administration Manager (this is illustrated in Figure 5, *Adding a Java Object*, on page 17).

ClassName - The name of the class which is actually executed.

BrowserName - The name of the GUI browser which will be used to manage and configure the Java Object. This is the name which will be displayed on screen in the Administration Manager (optional).

BrowserClassName - The class name of the GUI browser used to manage and configure the Java Object (optional).

Defining Properties for the Java Object

If the Java Object has properties which should be set through the Administration Manager, the properties must be described in an XML file in the <INSTALL>/xml/templates/objects/properties directory (where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory). This file should be given a name of the form <Java-Object>Properties.xml. For example:

<INSTALL>/xml/templates/objects/properties/MyObjectProperties.xml

The properties XML file must conform to the DTD specified in <INSTALL>/xml/schema/Properties.dtd. See Defining a Property in the XML File on page 151 for details.

The Object Hierarchy

When an instance of the Java Object is added to a Service in the Administration Manager, an XML file is created for it. This file records the current value and locking status of each property belonging to the Java Object instance. The file is located as follows:

<INSTALL>/domains/<domain>/<node>/<service>/<javaobject>/<javaobject
>.xml

where <INSTALL> is the OpenFusion installation directory, <domain> is the name of the domain, <node> is the name of the node, <service> is the name of the Service, and <javaobject> is the name of the Java Object.

For example, an instance of the **ChannelConfiguratorObject** Java Object in the Administration Manager's **Object Hierarchy** could be represented by the following XML file:



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Glossary

Definitions

alias

Meaning Term

Activate Prepare an object to receive requests.

Active Object Map A table of associations between Object IDs and Servants, which is

maintained by a POA to allow it to dispatch incoming requests.

Administration Tool used to manage and configure the OpenFusion Services.

Manager

An additional or alternative name for the same thing; an object containing the name of another object. Aliases enable one object to have more than one name. For example: LoadBalancer and LoadBalancerAlias refer to same object. This enables LoadBalancer

to change dynamically even after being bound into the Naming

Service.

AMI See Asynchronous Messaging Interface.

AOM See Active Object Map.

Asynchronous Messaging Interface This is an extension of CORBA functionality into a complete messaging semantics (as opposed to request brokering). This includes various modes of communication between the originator

and recipient and also various qualities of service.

bind To bind is to associate a meaningful name with an object reference as

> a name-value pair. Binding is the process of associating a name with a remote object in a server application, so that a client application can resolve the name and obtain a reference to the (remote) object. A

binding is an association between a name and a reference.

BOA Basic Object Adapter – the standard within CORBA versions 2.2 and

lower which specifies how objects invoke and obtain references to

each other.

An object adapter is the way in which a programming language object in the server is associated with a CORBA object. The BOA loosely describes an inheritance and delegation based approach. The

BOA has been deprecated and is superseded by the POA.

CCM CORBA Component Model.

CFA Common Facilities Architecture

composite namespace See Federated namespace.

Term Meaning

ConnectionFactory A connection factory is an administered object that JMS clients use

primarily for bootstrapping purposes. There are both topic and queue connection factories, which are typically resolved from the Java Naming and Directory Interface (JNDI). Clients use the factory

object to create new connections.

Constraint Selection criterion or search condition. See *TCL* (Trader Constraint

Language).

context See Naming context.

CORBA Common Object Request Broker Architecture. An open standard for

interoperable distributed object systems developed and maintained by the OMG. The standard only defines the architecture; it is up to individual companies how they produce actual implementations.

Corbaloc The Corbaloc URL scheme provides URLs that are familiar to

people and similar to ftp or http URLs. This URL format is

independent of the Naming Service.

Corbaname URL is similar to a Corbaloc URL except that a

Corbaname URL also contains a stringified name that identifies a

binding in a naming context.

Core Object Model The fundamental object-oriented model in the OMA which defines

the basic concepts on which CORBA is based.

COS CORBA Object Service. This is a label for a broad set of add-on

services that extend the core CORBA specification.

cyclic A 'backward' reference from a naming context to a 'parent' or

'grandparent' context in the same naming graph.

DCE Distributed Computing Environment. A distributed computing

architecture developed by the OSF before CORBA.

DCOM Distributed Component Object Model (COM). The architecture and

implementation of the distributed request/response technology from

Microsoft.

delegate One object only presents an interface and makes a local call to

another object which actually implements the functions offered by the first. Enables separation of application and control interfaces; used in OpenFusion Load Balancing (a Naming Service option).

Also referred to as a 'Tie' in CORBA.

Term Meaning

Directory Service A service providing facilities for organising and finding objects. The

service often includes operations for creating, adding, removing, and modifying the attributes associated with objects in a directory. The CORBA Naming and Trading Services are collectively referred to as

directory services.

DTD Document Type Definition. A file containing declarations that

specify a format for XML files.

Domain Task Force; OMG working group.

Enterprise Java Beans. Part of the J2EE standard which defines the

application and data component models.

ESIOP Environment-Specific Inter-ORB Protocol. The implementation of

GIOP for a non-TCP/IP environment, e.g., DCE.

etherealize The action of destroying a Servant associated with an Object ID, so

that the ID no longer identifies a CORBA object with respect to a

particular POA.

fail-over The use of two or more systems running in parallel so that if one fails

another immediately takes over with no disruption apparent to users. Normally implemented as two identical synchronised systems, nominated "master" and "slave". The slave takes over if the master fails. Fail-over is usually performed at a low level and is therefore

transparent to applications.

federated namespace A single logical namespace comprised of multiple autonomous

naming systems.

federation A grouping of autonomous systems linked in such a way as to appear

to be or to work as a single system. A component within one system should be able to communicate or interact with a component of a different system as though it were communicating or interacting with another component in the same system, even though the systems may be implemented on different platforms using different languages

and/or protocols.

General Inter-ORB Protocol. The high level specification of wire

protocol introduced in CORBA 2.0. All CORBA 2.0-compliant ORBs use this common wire protocol specification, which allows clients and servers using different ORBs to interoperate. GIOP is implemented using a network protocol. See also *IIOP* and *ESIOP*.

Term Meaning

HTTP Hypertext Transfer Protocol. The standard Internet transport protocol

for HTML documents.

Interface Definition Language. A high-level declarative language for

defining the interfaces of distributed objects. It is used for the definition of CORBA services and objects because it is

platform-independent.

IDL compiler An application which converts an IDL specification into

programming-language-specific stub and skeleton files which are

used to implement distributed objects.

IFR Interface Repository.

IIOP Internet Inter-ORB protocol. A TCP/IP-based protocol developed by

the OMG. The IIOP enables multiple ORBs to interoperate to provide requests to objects. The implementation of GIOP for TCP/IP.

incarnate The action of providing a running Servant to serve requests

associated with a particular Object ID. A POA will keep this

association in its Active Object Map.

initial context The starting point for the resolution of names for naming and

directory operations. Also known as a *root* context.

INS Interoperable Naming Service. One of the CORBA services. The

Interoperable Naming Service functions just like the Naming Service, holding bindings between meaningful names and Object References (IORs). The INS provides additional "under the covers"

support for interoperability between different ORBs.

instrumentation Functions which return information about the current status of a

system or items within it. Used for monitoring performance and detecting problems. For example, resetable counters can report the number of events occurring in a specified time interval (see also

Quality of Service).

Interface Repository

(IFR or IR)

The CORBA service (server or component) that stores meta-data about IDL interfaces. A CORBA component which stores type information and makes it available through standard interfaces at run time. It contains all the registered component interface definitions, including the methods they support and the parameters they require. Programs may use the IFR APIs to access and update this

information.

Term Meaning

IOP Inter-Operable Protocol.

Interoperable Object Reference. An Object Reference (OR) is the

way a CORBA Object is named. The IOR is the CORBA 2.x-compliant format for a standard representation of an OR for all

ORBs.

Istring An IDL data type, the "internationalized string", which is not

implemented. In the original CORBA specifications, the Istring was "a placeholder for an internationalized string data type"; it is now only retained for compatibility reasons, and is always mapped to the

string data type with typedef string Istring in IDL.

JDMK Java Dynamic Management Kit.

Jini A distributed system based on the idea of federating groups of users

and the resources required by those users.

JMS Java Message Service. Part of the J2EE standard specifying how

applications can send asynchronous messages to each other.

JMX Java Management eXtensions.

JNDI Java Naming and Directory Interface. JNDI is a standard extension

to the Java platform which provides Java-enabled applications with a

unified interface to multiple naming and directory services.

JTS Java Transaction Service; an API defined as a part of the J2EE

specification for transactional capabilities.

LDAP Lightweight Directory Access Protocol; an API defined to provide a

common interface to data stores, regardless of their underlying

nature and location.

load balancing Optimisation of the use of available resources in order to minimise

the time between the issue of a request for a service and the performance of that service. Load balancing involves the distribution of requests for a particular service amongst multiple servers which provide that service. The methods used to allocate requests are

known as policies.

marshalling Conversion of data into a programming-language- and

architecture-independent format ready for transmission.

Term

Meaning

MessageConsumer

A message consumer is an object that receives JMS messages. A consumer in the point-to-point model is referred to as a *queue receiver*, while the publish/subscribe model uses the term *topic subscriber*. Message consumers are created by sessions and may use either a push model to receive messages asynchronously, or a pull model to receive messages synchronously. JMS supports both transient and durable message consumers.

MessageProducer

A message producer is an object that sends JMS messages. A producer in the point-to-point model is referred to as a *queue sender*, while the publish/subscribe model uses the term *topic publisher*. Message producers are created by sessions.

meta-data

Data which describes the format of the representation or storage of other data.

MOF

Meta-Object Facility.

MSMQ

Microsoft Message Queue; a messaging product from Microsoft.

MTS

Microsoft Transaction Server; a transaction processor product from Microsoft.

name binding

In the Naming Service name bindings are contained in naming contexts. A binding can refer to either an object or another naming context. The process of associating a Name with a remote object in a server application, so that a client application can resolve the Name and obtain a reference to the remote object.

name resolution

The process of *resolving* a name to obtain a reference to the object to which it is bound.

name space

The set of all names in a naming system.

naming context

An object containing name bindings which refer to other objects, which may be naming contexts. A set of naming contexts which can be traversed by following (resolving) the bindings it such bindings is a naming graph.

naming graph

An hierarchy of naming contexts and objects in a Naming Service. Name bindings are contained in naming contexts. A binding can refer to either an object or another naming context. A set of naming contexts which can be traversed by following (resolving) such bindings is a Naming graph.

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Term Meaning

naming system A connected set of naming contexts. The naming contexts are all of

the same type, have the same naming convention, and provide the

same set of operations with identical semantics.

NTP Network Time Protocol.

object adapter The ORB component which provides object reference, activation,

and state related services to an object implementation. See also BOA

and POA.

OMA Object Management Architecture. The overall architecture and

roadmap of the OMG, of which CORBA forms a part.

OMG Object Management Group. A cross-industry consortium which

develops and promotes the CORBA open-systems standards.

OR Object Reference. The way CORBA objects are identified.

ORB Object Request Broker.

OSF Open Software Foundation.

OTM Object Transaction Monitor. A set of CORBA Services for

developing Enterprise systems.

PIDL Pseudo Interface Definition Language (Pseudo-IDL). This is

identical to IDL, however it is not used for describing a remotely accessed CORBA Object but rather an object in the CORBA

infrastructure that is implicitly local.

POA Portable Object Adapter. An object adapter is the way in which a

programming language object in the server is associated with a CORBA object. The POA describes a full set of models and policies for managing object life-cycles. (Introduced in CORBA 2.3,

superseding the BOA.)

point-to-point Method of event delivery which ensures that an event generated by a

supplier is received by a subscriber once (and only once). Sometimes referred to as "exactly once" delivery. Contrast with normal "at least

once" delivery (as in the publish-subscribe model).

POS Persistence Object Service. A deprecated CORBA Service for

storing the state of implementation objects into a database. The PSS

supersedes the POS.



Term

Meaning

provider resource file

An optional properties file named [prefix/]jndiprovider.properties, where prefix is the package name of the service provider class with each period character converted to a forward slash character ("/"). This file is used by the JNDI when determining the values of the following JNDI-defined properties:

java.naming.factory.object
java.naming.factory.state
java.naming.factory.control
java.naming.factory.url.pkgs

PSS Persistence State Service. A CORBA Service for storing the state of

implementation objects into a database. The PSS supersedes the

POS.

QoS Quality of Service.

reference Information needed for accessing an object. It contains one or more

addresses for referring to or communicating with an object. See also

Object reference.

resolve (resolution) The process of obtaining an object reference from a name binding.

(See also name binding.)

rollback To undo the successful steps of a sequence of operations when one

step fails. Part of a method of ensuring database integrity whereby if any one of a group of related operations or updates fails, then all the other operations in the group are undone and the database is restored

to the state it was in before the operations were attempted.

RPC Remote Procedure Call. A strategy which allows procedures to be

called from outside the currently running program's memory. RPC allows two or more different programs to interoperate with one

another.

RUP Rational Unified Process.

SASL Simple Authentication and Security Layer.

Term Meaning

Servant An implementation object that provides the run-time semantics of

one or more CORBA objects. An instance of an object implementation for an IDL interface. The servant object is registered with the ORB so that the ORB knows where to send invocations. It is the servant that performs the services requested when a CORBA

object's method is invoked.

session A session is the context used by clients for sending and receiving

messages. Sessions are created by connections and are factories for creating message suppliers and consumers as well as message objects. Each session retains messages received by all its consumers

until they have been acknowledged.

SID Service ID, Server Persistent ID, or Server persistence UUID scope.

Static Invocation Interface (or Stub Invocation Interface). This is the

client-side API for generating network messages that is based on the stubs that are code-generated by the IDL compiler for a given IDL

interface. See also DII.

SNMP Simple Network Management Protocol. A widely used standard for

specifying systems management interfaces and operations.

SOAP Simple Object Access Protocol. A protocol for sending RPC calls

over the Internet encoded as XML and using the HTTP protocol. This is intended to avoid the firewall problems that face the use of

protocols such as IIOP.

SSL Secure Socket Layer.

stringification Conversion of an object reference to a character string. Used when

an object reference needs to be saved in a text file or stored in a

database (persistence) or sent to a client program.

Trader Constraint Language. A simple language used for

constructing constraints (also referred to as search conditions or selection criteria) used in queries to retrieve offers from servers.

TCP/IP Transport Control Protocol/Internet Protocol. A network protocol

used on the Internet and many internal networks. TCP is for establishing connections between hosts and guaranteeing delivery of data packets in the correct order; IP determines the structure of the

packets themselves.

Term	Meaning
TOG	The Open Group.
TP	Transaction Processor. Typically used as TP Monitor. A kind of middleware that manages connections and transactions to databases.
trader	An object which supports the Trading Service. A trader can be a server, a client, or both. The components (Register, Proxy, Lookup, Admin, Link) provide the functions for handling offers of service and queries.
transaction server	A server which supports transactional semantics, (for example, commit or rollback).
UML	Unified Modelling Language. A standard developed and maintained by the OMG to facilitate object analysis and design representation. A method of modelling any process using simple diagrams; used for communications and analysis/design.
UUID	Universally Unique IDentifier. A 128-bit identifier generated by an algorithm which will never produce the same value twice and hence can uniquely identify entities in a distributed system.
XMI	XML Metadata Interchange.
XML	eXtensible Markup Language. A standard for representing data in a language- and database-neutral format. XML separates a document's definition, content, and presentation (style).
XSL	eXtensible Stylesheet Language. A standard for defining the formatting of an XML document.
XSLT	XSL Transformation. A standard for describing transformations between XML documents.



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