Configuring MobileFirst Server

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Consider your backup and recovery policy, optimize your MobileFirst Server configuration, and apply access restrictions and security options.

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Endpoints of the MobileFirst Server production server

You can create whitelists and blacklists for the endpoints of the IBM MobileFirst Server.

Note: Information regarding URLs that are exposed by IBM MobileFirst Foundation is provided as a guideline. Organizations must ensure the URLs are tested in an enterprise infrastructure, based on what has been enabled for white and black lists.

| API URL under <runtime context="" root="">/api/</runtime> | Description | Suggested for whitelist? |
|---|--|--|
| /adapterdoc/* | Return the adapter's Swagger documentation for the named adapter | No. Used only internally by the administrator and the developers |
| /adapters/* | Adapters serving | Yes |
| /az/v1/authorization/* | Authorize the client to access a specific scope | Yes |
| /az/v1/introspection | Introspect the client's access token | No. This API is for confidential clients only. |
| /az/v1/token | Generate an access token for the client | Yes |
| /clientLogProfile/* | Get client log profile | Yes |
| /directupdate/* | Get Direct Update .zip file | Yes, if you plan to use Direct Update |
| /loguploader | Upload client logs to server | Yes |
| /preauth/v1/heartbeat | Accept heartbeat from the client and note the last activity time | Yes |
| /preauth/v1/logout | Log out from a security check | Yes |
| /preauth/v1/preauthorize | Map and execute security checks for a specific scope | Yes |
| /reach | The server is reachable | No, for internal use only |
| /registration/v1/clients/* | Registration-service clients API | No. This API is for confidential clients only. |
| /registration/v1/self/* | Registration-service client self-registration API | Yes |

Configuring MobileFirst Server to enable TLS V1.2

For MobileFirst Server to communicate with devices that support only Transport Layer Security v1.2 (TLS) V1.2, among the SSL protocols, you must complete the following instructions.

The steps to configure MobileFirst Server to enable Transport Layer Security (TLS) V1.2 depend on how MobileFirst Server connects to devices.

- If MobileFirst Server is behind a reverse proxy that decrypts SSL-encoded packets from devices before it passes the packets to the
 application server, you must enable TLS V1.2 support on your reverse proxy. If you use IBM HTTP Server as your reverse proxy,
 see Securing IBM HTTP Server
 - (http://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSEQTP_8.5.5/com.ibm.websphere.ihs.doc/ihs/welc6top_securing_ihs_container.html? view=kc) for instructions.
- If MobileFirst Server communicates directly with devices, the steps to enable TLS V1.2 depend on whether your application server is Apache Tomcat, WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile, or WebSphere Application Server full profile.

Apache Tomcat

- 1. Confirm that the Java Runtime Environment (JRE) supports TLS V1.2. Ensure that you have one of the following JRE versions:
 - o Oracle JRE 1.7.0_75 or later
 - o Oracle JRE 1.8.0 31 or later
- 2. Edit the conf/server.xml file and modify the element that declares the HTTPS port so that the sslEnabledProtocols attribute has the following value: sslEnabledProtocols="TLSv1.2,TLSv1.1,TLSv1,SSLv2Hello"

WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile

- 1. Confirm that the Java Runtime Environment (JRE) supports TLS V1.2.
 - If you use an IBM Java SDK, ensure that your IBM Java SDK is patched for the POODLE vulnerability. You can find the
 minimum IBM Java SDK versions that contain the patch for your version of WebSphere Application Server in Security
 Bulletin: Vulnerability in SSLv3 affects IBM WebSphere Application Server (CVE-2014-3566)
 (http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21687173).

Note: You can use the versions that are listed in the security bulletin or later versions.

- o If you use an Oracle Java SDK, ensure that you have one of the following versions:
 - Oracle JRE 1.7.0 75 or later
 - Oracle JRE 1.8.0 31 or later
- 2. If you use an IBM Java SDK, edit the server.xml file.
 - Add the following line: <ssl id="defaultSSLConfig" keyStoreRef="defaultKeyStore" sslProtocol="SSL TLSv2"/>
 - Add the sslProtocol="SSL_TLSv2" attribute to all existing <ssl> elements.

WebSphere Application Server full profile

1. Confirm that the Java Runtime Environment (JRE) supports TLS V1.2.

Ensure that your IBM Java SDK is patched for the POODLE vulnerability. You can find the minimum IBM Java SDK versions that contain the patch for your version of WebSphere Application Server in Security Bulletin: Vulnerability in SSLv3 affects IBM WebSphere Application Server (CVE-2014-3566) (http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21687173).

Note: You can use the versions that are listed in the security bulletin or later versions.

- Log in to WebSphere Application Server administrative console, and click Security → SSL certificate and key management → SSL configurations.
- 3. For each SSL configuration listed, modify the configuration to enable TLS V1.2.
 - Select an SSL configuration and then, under Additional Properties, click Quality of protections (QoP) settings.
 - From the **Protocol** list, select **SSL_TLSv2**.
 - o Click Apply and then save the changes.

Configuring user authentication for MobileFirst Server administration

MobileFirst Server administration requires user authentication. You can configure user authentication and choose an authentication method. Then, the configuration procedure depends on the web application server that you use.

Important: If you use stand-alone WebSphere Application Server full profile, use an authentication method other than the simple WebSphere authentication method (SWAM) in global security. You can use lightweight third-party authentication (LTPA). If you use SWAM, you might experience unexpected authentication failures.

You must configure authentication after the installer deploys the MobileFirst Server administration web applications in the web application server.

The MobileFirst Server administration has the following Java Platform, Enterprise Edition (Java EE) security roles defined:

- mfpadmin
- mfpdeployer
- mfpoperator
- mfpmonitor

You must map the roles to the corresponding sets of users. The **mfpmonitor** role can view data but cannot change any data. The following tables list MobileFirst roles and functions for production servers.

Administrator Deployer Operator Monitor

Java EE security role. mfpadmin mfpdeployermfpoperatormfpmonitor

Deploy an application. Yes Yes No No Deploy an adapter. Yes Yes No No

MobileFirst Server management

Administrator Deployer Operator Monitor

Java EE security role. mfpadmin mfpdeployermfpoperatormfpmonitor Configure runtime settings. Yes No No

Application management

| | Administrat | orpebioyer | Operator | Monitor | |
|--|-------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--|
| Java EE security role. | mfpadmin | mfpdeploy | ermfpoperat | ormfpmonitor | |
| Upload new MobileFirst application. | Yes | Yes | No | No | |
| Remove MobileFirst application. | Yes | Yes | No | No | |
| Upload new MobileFirst adapter. | Yes | Yes | No | No | |
| Remove MobileFirst adapter. | Yes | Yes | No | No | |
| Turn on or off application authenticity testing for an application. | Yes | Yes | No | No | |
| Change properties on MobileFirst application status: Active, Active Notifying, and Disabled. | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | |
| Disabled. | | | | | |

Basically, all roles can issue GET requests, the **mfpadmin**, **mfpdeployer**, and **mfpmonitor** roles can also issue POST and PUT requests, and the **mfpadmin** and **mfpdeployer** roles can also issue DELETE requests.

Requests related to push notifications

Java EE security role.

AdministratorDeployer Operator Monitor mfpadmin mfpdeployermfpoperatormfpmonitor

GET requests

- Get a list of all the devices that use push notification for an application
- •
- Get the details of a specific device
- · Get the list of subscriptions
- Get the subscription information that is associated with a subscription ID. Yes Yes Yes
- Get the details of a GCM configuration
- Get the details of an APNS configuration
- Get the list of tags that are defined for the application
- · Get details of a specific tag

POST and PUT requests

- · Register an app with push notification
- Update a push device registration
- Create a subscription
- Add or update a GCM configuration
 Yes
 Yes
 Yes
- Add or update an APNS configuration
- Submit notifications to a device
- Create or update a tag

DELETE requests

- Delete the registration of a device to push notification
- Delete a subscription
- Unsubscribe a device from a tag
 Yes
 Yes
 No
- Delete a GCM configuration
- Delete an APNS configuration
- Delete a tag

Disabling

| | Administrato | rDeployer | Operator | Monitor |
|---|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| Java EE security role. | mfpadmin | mfpdeploye | ermfpoperato | ormfpmonitor |
| Disable the specific device, marking the state as lost or stolen so that access from any of the applications on that device is blocked. | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Disable a specific application, marking the state as disabled so that access from the | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |

If you choose to use an authentication method through a user repository such as LDAP, you can configure the MobileFirst Server administration so that you can use users and groups with the user repository to define the Access Control List (ACL) of the MobileFirst Server administration. This procedure depends on the type and version of the web application server that you use.

Configuring WebSphere Application Server full profile for MobileFirst Server administration

Configure security by mapping the MobileFirst Server administration Java EE roles to a set of users for both web applications.

You define the basics of user configuration in the WebSphere Application Server console. Access to the console is usually by this address: https://localhost:9043/ibm/console/

- 1. Select Security → Global Security.
- Select Security Configuration Wizard to configure users. You can manage individual user accounts by selecting Users and Groups → Manage Users.
- 3. Map the roles mfpadmin, mfpdeployer, mfpmonitor, and mfpoperator to a set of users.
 - Select Servers → Server Types → WebSphere application servers.
 - o Select the server.
 - In the Configuration tab, select Applications → Enterprise applications.
 - o Select MobileFirstAdministrationService.
 - In the Configuration tab, select Details → Security role to user/group mapping.
 - o Perform the necessary customization.
 - · Click OK.
 - Repeat the steps to map the roles for the console web application. This time select MobileFirstAdministrationConsole.
 - Click Save to save the changes.

Configuring WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile for MobileFirst Server administration

In WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile, you configure the roles of **mfpadmin**, **mfpdeployer**, **mfpmonitor**, and **mfpoperator** in the **server.xml** configuration file of the server.

Then, to maintain good response times with a large number of installed applications, for example with 80 applications, you should configure a connection pool for the administration database.

1. Edit the server.xml file. For example:

```
<security-role name="mfpadmin">
<group name="mfpadmingroup"/>
</security-role>
<security-role name="mfpdeployer">
<group name="mfpdeployergroup"/>
</security-role>
<security-role name="mfpmonitor">
<group name="mfpmonitorgroup"/>
</security-role>
<security-role name="mfpoperator">
 <group name="mfpoperatorgroup"/>
</security-role>
<basicRegistry id="mfpadmin">
<user name="admin" password="admin"/>
 <user name="guest" password="guest"/>
 <user name="demo" password="demo"/>
 <group name="mfpadmingroup">
  <member name="guest"/>
  <member name="demo"/>
 </aroup>
 <group name="mfpdeployergroup">
  <member name="admin" id="admin"/>
 </group>
 <group name="mfpmonitorgroup"/>
 <group name="mfpoperatorgroup"/>
</basicRegistry>
```

2. Define the AppCenterPool size:

```
<connectionManager id="AppCenterPool" minPoolSize="10" maxPoolSize="40"/>
```

3. In the <dataSource> element, define a reference to the connection manager:

```
<dataSource id="MFPADMIN" jndiName="mfpadmin/jdbc/mfpAdminDS" connectionManagerRef="AppCenterPool">
...
</dataSource>
```

Configuring Apache Tomcat for MobileFirst Server administration

You must configure the Java EE security roles for the MobileFirst Server administration on the Apache Tomcat web application server.

1. If you installed the MobileFirst Server administration manually, declare the following roles in the conf/tomcat-users.xml file:

```
<role rolename="mfpadmin"/>
<role rolename="mfpmonitor"/>
<role rolename="mfpdeployer"/>
<role rolename="mfpoperator"/>
```

2. Add roles to the selected users, for example:

```
<user name="admin" password="admin" roles="mfpadmin"/>
```

3. You can define the set of users as described in the Apache Tomcat documentation, Realm Configuration HOW-TO (http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-7.0-doc/realm-howto.html).

List of JNDI properties of the MobileFirst Server web applications

Configure the JNDI properties for the MobileFirst Server web applications that are deployed to the application server.

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- List of JNDI properties for MobileFirst runtime
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Setting up JNDI properties for MobileFirst Server web applications

Set up JNDI properties to configure the MobileFirst Server web applications that are deployed to the application server. Set the JNDI environment entries in one of the following ways:

- Configure the server environment entries. The steps to configure the server environment entries depends on which application server you use:
 - WebSphere Application Server:
 - 1. In the WebSphere Application Server administration console, go to **Applications** → **Application Types** → **WebSphere** enterprise applications → application_name → Environment entries for Web modules.
 - 2. In the Value fields, enter values that are appropriate to your server environment.

| | es for Web modules | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Configure values Web module | for environment entrie | The second secon | T | Pi-ti | Malian |
| mfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | Name mfp.admin.environmentid | Type | Description [OPTIONAL] Environment identifier. Used to distinguish different instances of Worklight Server that are installed on the same application server or in the same WAS ND cell. | Value |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.admin.jmx.dmgr.host | String | [MANDATORY] [WAS ND only] Deployment Manager host name. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.admin.jmx.host | String | [MANDATORY] Admin JMX host name. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | ssl.websphere.alias | String | [OPTIONAL] The WebSphere SSL configuration alias used by the HTTP adapters | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | ssl.websphere.config | String | [OPTIONAL] Set this property to true to have HTTP adapters use WebSphere SSL configuration. Default: false. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.topology.platform | String | [OPTIONAL] Server type. Possible values: Liberty, WAS, Tomcat. Default: Guessed by the code. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.authorization.server | String | [MANDATORY] Authorization-server mode - one of the following values: - "embedded" - use the MobileFirst authorization server "external" - use an external authorization server. When setting "external" value, you must also set the mfp.external.authorization.server.secret and mfp.external.authorization.server.introspection.url properties for your external server. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.external.authorization.server.secret | String | [OPTIONAL] Secret of the external authorization server. This property is required when using an external authorization server (mfp.authorization.server = "external"), and is ignored otherwise. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.external.authorization.server.introspection.url | String | [OPTIONAL] URL of the introspection endpoint of the external authorization server. This property is required when using an external authorization server (mfp.authorization.server = "external"), and is ignored otherwise. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.admin.jmx.connector | String | [OPTIONAL] [WAS Full Profile only] JMX Connector type. Possible values: SOAP, RMI. Only SOAP is supported in the context of a server farm. Default: SOAP. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.topology.clustermode | String | [OPTIONAL] Servers topology. Possible values: Standalone, Cluster, Farm. Default: Standalone. | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.admin.jmx.dmgr.port | String | [MANDATORY] [WAS ND only] Deployment Manager SOAP or RMI port (which one, depends on the value of mfp.admin.jmx.connector). | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.admin.jmx.port | String | [MANDATORY] Admin service JMX port | |
| nfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.admin.jmx.user | String | [MANDATORY] [Liberty Profile] User name for the JMX REST connection. [MANDATORY] [WAS Farm] User name for the SOAP connection. | |
| mfp-server.war | mfp-server.war,WEB- INF/web.xml | mfp.admin.jmx.pwd | String | [MANDATORY] [Liberty Profile] User password for the JMX REST connection. [MANDATORY] [WAS | |

• WebSphere Application Server Liberty:

In liberty_install_dir/usr/servers/serverName, edit the server.xml file, and declare the JNDI properties as follows:

```
<application id="app_context_root" name="app_context_root" location="app_war_name.war" type="war">
...
</application>
<jndiEntry jndiName="app_context_root/JNDI_property_name" value="JNDI_property_value" />
```

The context root (in the previous example: app_context_root) connects between the JNDI entry and a specific MobileFirst application. If multiple MobileFirst applications exist on the same server, you can define specific JNDI entries for each application by using the context path prefix.

Note: Some properties are defined globally on WebSphere Application Server Liberty, without prefixing the property name by the context root. For a list of these properties, see Global JNDI entries (../appserver/#global-jndi-entries).

For all other JNDI properties, the names must be prefixed with the context root of the application:

- For the live update service, the context root must be /config. For example, if the context root of the administration service is /mfpadmin, then the context root of the live update service must be /mfpadminconfig.
- For the push service, you must define the context root as /imfpush. Otherwise, the client devices cannot connect to it as the context root is hardcoded in the SDK.
- For the MobileFirst Administration Service application, the MobileFirst Operations Console and MobileFirst runtime, you can define the context root as you want. However, by default it is /mfpadmin for MobileFirst Administration Service, /mfpconsole for MobileFirst Operations Console, and /mfp for MobileFirst runtime.

For example:

```
<application id="mfpadmin" name="mfpadmin" location="mfp-admin-service.war" type="war">
...
</application>
<jndiEntry jndiName="mfpadmin/mfp.admin.actions.prepareTimeout" value = "2400000" />
```

- o Apache Tomcat:
 - 1. In tomcat_install_dir/conf, edit the server.xml file, and declare the JNDI properties as follows:

```
<Context docBase="app_context_root" path="/app_context_root">
    <Environment name="JNDI_property_name" override="false" type="java.lang.String" value="JNDI_property_value"/>
    </Context>
```

- The context path prefix is not needed because the JNDI entries are defined inside the Context> element of an application.
- override="false" is mandatory.
- The type attribute is always java.lang.String, unless specified differently for the property.

For example:

```
<Context docBase="app_context_root" path="/app_context_root">
    <Environment name="mfp.admin.actions.prepareTimeout" override="false" type="java.lang.String" value="2400000"/>
    </Context>
```

• If you install with Ant tasks, you can also set the values of the JNDI properties at installation time.

In **mfp** installdir/MobileFirstServer/configuration-samples, edit the configuration XML file for the Ant tasks, and declare the values for the JNDI properties by using the property element inside the following tags:

- <installmobilefirstadmin>, for MobileFirst Server administration, MobileFirst Operations Console, and live update services. For more information, see Ant tasks for installation of MobileFirst Operations Console, MobileFirst Server artifacts, MobileFirst Server administration, and live update services (../installation-reference/#ant-tasks-for-installation-of-mobilefirst-operations-console-mobilefirst-server-artifacts-mobilefirst-server-administration-and-live-update-services).
- <installmobilefirstruntime>, for MobileFirst runtime configuration properties. For more information, see Ant tasks for installation of MobileFirst runtime environments (../installation-reference/#ant-tasks-for-installation-of-mobilefirst-runtime-environments).
- <installmobilefirstpush>, for configuration of the push service. For more information, see Ant tasks for installation of MobileFirst Server push service (../installation-reference/#ant-tasks-for-installation-of-mobilefirst-server-push-service).

For example:

List of JNDI properties for MobileFirst Server administration service

When you configure MobileFirst Server administration service and MobileFirst Operations Console for your application server, you set optional or mandatory JNDI properties, in particular for Java Management Extensions (JMX).

The following properties can be set on the administration service web application mfp-admin-service.war.

JNDI properties for administration service: JMX

| Property | Optional or mandatory | Description The Java Management Extensions (JMX) connector type. | Restrictions |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| mfp.admin.jmx.connector | Optional | The possible values are SOAP and RMI. The default value is SOAP. Host name for the | WebSphere Application Server only. |
| mfp.admin.jmx.host | Optional | JMX REST connection. | Liberty profile only. |
| mfp.admin.jmx.port | Optional | Port for the JMX REST connection. | Liberty profile only. |

| Property | Optional or mandatory | Description | Restrictions |
|--------------------------|--|--|---|
| mfp.admin.jmx.user | Mandatory for the Liberty profile and for WebSphere Application Server farm, optional otherwise | User name for the JMX REST connection. | WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile: The user name for the JMX REST connection. WebSphere Application Server farm: the user name for the SOAP connection. WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment: the user name of the WebSphere administrator if the virtual host mapped to the MobileFirst server administration application is not the |
| | | | default host. Liberty collective: the user name of the controller administrator that is defined in the <administrator-role> element of the server.xml file of the Liberty controller. WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile: the user password for the JMX REST connection.</administrator-role> |
| mfp.admin.jmx.pwd | Mandatory for the Liberty profile and for WebSphere Application Server farm, optional otherwise | User password for the JMX REST connection. | WebSphere Application Server farm: the user password for the SOAP connection. WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment: the user password of the WebSphere administrator if the virtual host that is mapped to the MobileFirst Server server administration application is not the default host. |
| | | RMI registry port | Liberty collective: the password of the controller administrator that is defined in the <administrator-role> element of the server.xml file of the Liberty controller.</administrator-role> |
| mfp.admin.rmi.registryPc | ortOptional | for the JMX connection through a firewall. RMI server port for | |
| mfp.admin.rmi.serverPor | t Optional | the JMX connection through a firewall. Deployment | Tomcat only. |
| mfp.admin.jmx.dmgr.hos | · | manager host name. Deployment | WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment only. |
| mfp.admin.jmx.dmgr.por | t Mandatory | manager RMI or SOAP port. | WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment only. |

JNDI properties for administration service: timeout

| Property | Optional or mandatory | Description y |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| mfp.admin.actions.prepareTimeout | Optional | Timeout in milliseconds to transfer data from the adminstration service to the runtime during a deployment transaction. If the runtime cannot be reached within this time, an error is raised and the deployment transaction ends. |
| mfp.admin.actions.commitRejectTimeou | utOptional | Default value: 1800000 ms (30 min) Timeout in milliseconds, when a runtime is contacted, to commit or reject a deployment transaction. If the runtime cannot be reached within this time, an error is raised and the deployment transaction ends. |
| mfp.admin.lockTimeoutInMillis | Optional | Default value: 120000 ms (2 min) Timeout in milliseconds for obtaining the transaction lock. Because deployment transactions run sequentially, they use a lock. Therefore, a transaction must wait until a previous transaction is finished. This timeout is the maximal time during which a transaction waits. |

Default value: 1200000 ms (20 min)

Optional

Optional

Property or Description

mandatory

The maximal time during which a process can take the transaction lock. Because deployment transactions run sequentially, they use a lock. If the application server fails while a lock is taken, it can happen in rare situations that the lock is not released at the next restart of the application server. In this case, the lock is released automatically after the maximum lock time so that the server is not blocked forever.

Set a time that is longer than a normal transaction.

Default value: 1800000 (30 min)

JNDI properties for administration service: logging

Optional

Property or Description

mfp.admin.maxLockTimeInMillis

mandatory

Set this property to true to enable pretty formatting (extra blank space) of JSON objects in

mfp.admin.logging.formatison Optional responses and log messages. Setting this property is helpful when you debug the server.

Default value: false.

Specifies whether all logging messages are also directed to System. Error. Setting this mfp.admin.logging.tosystemerrorOptional

property is helpful when you debug the server.

JNDI properties for administration service: proxies

Optional

Optional

Property or Description

mfp.admin.proxy.port

mfp.admin.proxy.host

mfp.admin.proxy.protocolOptional

mandatory

If the MobileFirst administration server is behind a firewall or reverse proxy, this property specifies the

address of the host. Set this property to enable a user outside the firewall to reach the MobileFirst administration server. Typically, this property is the port of the proxy, for example 443. It is necessary

only if the protocol of the external and internal URIs are different.

If the MobileFirst administration server is behind a firewall or reverse proxy, this property specifies the

protocol (HTTP or HTTPS). Set this property to enable a user outside the firewall to reach the MobileFirst administration server. Typically, this property is set to the protocol of the proxy. For

example, wl.net. This property is necessary only if the protocol of the external and internal URIs are

different.

mfp.admin.proxy.schemeOptional This property is just an alternative name for mfp.admin.proxy.protocol.

If the MobileFirst administration server is behind a firewall or reverse proxy, this property specifies the

address of the host. Set this property to enable a user outside the firewall to reach the MobileFirst

administration server. Typically, this property is the address of the proxy.

JNDI properties for administration service: topologies

Optional

| Mfp.admin.audit Optional. Optional. Applications Console. The default value is true. The environment identifier for the registration of the MBeans. Use this identifier when different instances of the MobileFirst Server are installed on the same application server. The identifier determines which administration service, which console, and which runtimes belong to the same installation. The administration service manages only the runtimes that have the same environment identifier. Mandatory for server farms and Liberty collective, optional otherwise. Mfp.admin.hsts Optional. Set to true to enable HTTP Strict Transport Security according to RFC 6797. Server type. Valid values: Liberty Liberty |
|--|
| mfp.admin.environmentid Optional. Optional. Optional. Optional. Optional. Optional. Mandatory for server farms and Liberty collective, optional otherwise. Mfp.admin.hsts Optional. Server farm: the server identifier. Must be different for each server in the farm. Liberty collective: the value must be controller. Optional otherwise. Set to true to enable HTTP Strict Transport Security according to RFC 6797. Server type. Valid values: |
| mfp.admin.serverid server farms and Liberty collective, optional otherwise. Mfp.admin.hsts Server farm: the server identifier. Must be different for each server in the farm. Liberty collective: the value must be controller. Set to true to enable HTTP Strict Transport Security according to RFC 6797. Server type. Valid values: |
| mfp.admin.serverid and Liberty collective, optional otherwise. mfp.admin.hsts And Liberty collective: the value must be controller. Liberty collective: the value must be controller. Set to true to enable HTTP Strict Transport Security according to RFC 6797. Server tarm: the server identifier. Must be different for each server in the farm. Liberty collective: the value must be controller. Set to true to enable HTTP Strict Transport Security according to RFC 6797. Server tarm: the server identifier. Must be different for each server in the farm. |
| collective, optional otherwise. mfp.admin.hsts Collective, optional otherwise. Optional. Set to true to enable HTTP Strict Transport Security according to RFC 6797. Server type. Valid values: |
| mfp.admin.hsts Optional. Set to true to enable HTTP Strict Transport Security according to RFC 6797. Server type. Valid values: |
| ■ Liberty |
| Liberty |
| mfp.topology.platform Optional • WAS |
| • Tomcat |
| If you do not set the value, the application tries to guess the server type. |
| In addition to the server type, specify here the server topology. Valid values: • Standalone |
| |
| mfp.topology.clustermode Optional Cluster • Cluster • Farm |

The default value is Standalone.

| | | This property enables you to set in minutes the heartbeat rate that is used in server farm topologies. The default value is 2 minutes. |
|--|------------|---|
| mfp.admin.farm.heartbeat | Optional | In a server farm, all members must use the same heartbeat rate. If you set or change this JNDI value on one server in the farm, you must also set the same value on every other server in the farm. For more information, see Lifecycle of a server farm node (/appserver/#lifecycle-of-a-server-farm-node). This property enables you to set the number of missed heartbeats of a farm member before the status of the farm member is considered to be failed or down. The default value is 2. |
| mfp.admin.farm.missed.heartbeats.timeo | utOptional | In a server farm all members must use the same missed heartbeat value. If you set or change this JNDI value on one server in the farm, you must also set the same value on every other server in the farm. For more information, see Lifecycle of a server farm node (/appserver/#lifecycle-of-a-server-farm-node). |
| mfp.admin.farm.reinitialize | Optional | A Boolean value (true or false) for re-registering or re-initializing the farm member. |
| mfp.swagger.ui.url | Optional | This property defines the URL of the Swagger user interface to be displayed in the administration console. |

JNDI properties for administration service: relational database

| Property | Optional or mandatory | Description |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| mfp.admin.db.jndi.name | Optional | The JNDI name of the database. This parameter is the normal mechanism to specify the database. The default value is java:comp/env/jdbc/mfpAdminDS. |
| mfp.admin.db.openjpa.ConnectionDriverNam | Optional/Conditionalle mandatory | The fully qualified name of the database connection driver class. lyMandatory only when the data source that is specified by the mfp.admin.db.jndi.name property is not defined in the application server configuration. |
| mfp.admin.db.openjpa.ConnectionURL | Optional/Conditionall mandatory | The LIPI for the database connection. Mandatory only when the data |
| mfp.admin.db.openjpa.ConnectionUserName | Optional/Conditionall mandatory | The user name for the database connection. Mandatory only when the data source that is specified by the mfp.admin.db.jndi.name property is not defined in the application server configuration. |
| mfp.admin.db.openjpa.ConnectionPassword | Optional/Conditional | The password for the database connection. Mandatory only when the data source that is specified by the mfp.admin.db.jndi.name property is not defined in the application server configuration. |
| mfp.admin.db.openjpa.Log | Optional | This property is passed to OpenJPA and enables JPA logging. For more information, see the Apache OpenJPA User's Guide (http://openjpa.apache.org/docs/openjpa-0.9.0-incubating/manual/manual.html). |
| mfp.admin.db.type | Optional | This property defines the type of database. The default value is inferred from the connection URL. |

JNDI properties for administration service: licensing

| Property | Optional or mandatory | Description |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| mfp.admin.license.key.server.hos | Optional for perpetual license | es Host name of the Patienal License Kov Server |
| mfp.admin.license.key.server.por | Optional for perpetual license Mandatory for token licenses | Port number of the Rational License Key Server |

JNDI properties for administration service: JNDI configurations

| | Option | al | |
|----------|--------|-------------|--|
| Property | or | Description | |
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The name of the JNDI configuration if the JNDI properties (except this one) must be read from a property file that is injected into the WAR file. If you do not set this property, JNDI properties are not read from a property file.

Optional

Property Description or

mandatory

The name of the file that contains the JNDI configuration if the JNDI properties (except this one) must be mfp.jndi.file Optional

read from a file installed in the web server. If you do not set this property, JNDI properties are not read

from a property file.

The administration service uses a live update service as an auxiliary facility to store various configurations. Use these properties to configure how to reach the live update service.

JNDI properties for administration service: live update service

| Property | Optional or mandatory | Description |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| mfp.config.service.url | Optional The URL of the live update service. The default URL is derived from the URL of administration service by adding config to the context root of the administration service. | |
| mfp.config.service.user | Mandatory | The user name that is used to access the live update service. In a server farm topology, the user name must be the same for all the members of the farm. |
| mfp.config.service.passwordMandatory | | The password that is used to access the live update service. In a server farm topology, the password must be the same for all the members of the farm. |
| mfp.config.service.schema | Optional | The name of the schema that is used by the live update service. |

The administration service uses a push service as an auxiliary facility to store various push settings. Use these properties to configure how to reach the push service. Because the push service is protected by the OAuth security model, you must set various properties to enable confidential clients in OAuth.

JNDI properties for administration service: push service

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| Property | Optional or mandatory | Description |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| mfp.admin.push.url | Optional | The URL of the push service. If the property is not specified, the push service is considered disabled. If the property is not properly set, the administration service cannot contact the push service and the administration of push services in MobileFirst Operations Console does not work. |
| mfp.admin.authorization.server.url | Optional | The URL of the OAuth authorization server that is used by the push service. The default URL is derived from the URL of the administration service by changing the context root to the context root of the first installed runtime. If you install multiple runtimes, it is best to set the property. If the property is not set properly, the administration service cannot contact the push service and the administration of push services in MobileFirst Operations Console does not work. |
| mfp.push.authorization.client.id | mandatory | yThe identifier of the confidential client that handles OAuth authorization for the push service. Mandatory only if the mfp.admin.push.url property is specified. |
| mfp.push.authorization.client.secre | Optional/conditionall mandatory | yThe secret of the confidential client that handles OAuth authorization for the push service. Mandatory only if the mfp.admin.push.url property is specified |
| mfp.admin.authorization.client.id | Optional/conditionall mandatory | The identifier of the confidential client that handles OAuth authorization for the administration service. Mandatory only if the mfp.admin.push.url property is specified. |
| mfp.push.authorization.client.secre | Optional/conditionall mandatory | The secret of the confidential client that handles OAuth authorization for the administration service. Mandatory only if the mfp.admin.push.url property is specified. |

JNDI properties for MobileFirst Operations Console

The following properties can be set on the web application (mfp-admin-ui.war) of MobileFirst Operations Console.

| | Optional | |
|-------------------------|----------|--|
| Property | or | Description |
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| mfp.admin.endpoint | Optional | Enables the MobileFirst Operations Console to locate the MobileFirst Server administration REST service. Specify the external address and context root of the mfp-admin-service.war web application. In a scenario with a firewall or a secured reverse proxy, this URI must be the external URI and not the internal URI inside the local LAN. For example, https://wl.net:443/mfpadmin. |
| mfp.admin.global.logout | Optional | Clears the WebSphere user authentication cache during the console logout. This property is useful only for WebSphere Application Server V7. The default value is false. Set this property to true to enable HTTP Strict Transport Security |
| mfp.admin.hsts | Optional | (http://www.w3.org/Security/wiki/Strict_Transport_Security) according to RFC 6797. For more information, see the W3C Strict Transport Security page. The default value is false. |

Optional

Property Description

mandatory

mfp.admin.ui.cors Optional

mfp.admin.ui.cors.strictsslOptional

The default value is true. For more information, see the W3C Cross-Origin Resource Sharing page

(http://www.w3.org/TR/cors/).

Set to false to allow CORS situations where the MobileFirst Operations Console is secured with SSL

(HTTPS protocol) while the MobileFirst Server administration service is not, or conversely. This

property takes effect only if the mfp.admin.ui.cors property is enabled.

List of JNDI properties for MobileFirst Server live update service

When you configure the MobileFirst Server live update service for your application server, you can set the following JNDI properties. The table lists the JNDI properties for the IBM relational database live update service.

Optional or Description **Property**

mandatory

Timeout for executing a query in RDBMS, in seconds. A value of zero means an infinite

timeout. A negative value means the default (no override).

mfp.db.relational.queryTimeoutOptional

In case no value is configured, a default value is used. For more information, see

setQueryTimeout

(http://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/sql/Statement.html#setQueryTimeout(int)).

To know how to set those properties, see Setting up JNDI properties for MobileFirst Server web applications.

List of JNDI properties for MobileFirst runtime

When you configure the MobileFirst Server runtime for your application server, you need to set the optional or mandatory JNDI properties. The following table lists the MobileFirst properties that are always available as JNDI entries:

| Property | Description |
|-------------------------|--|
| mfp.admin.jmx.dmgr.host | Mandatory. The host name of the deployment manager. WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment only. |
| mfp.admin.jmx.dmgr.port | Mandatory. The RMI or SOAP port of the deployment manager. WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment only. |
| mfp.admin.jmx.host | Liberty only. The host name for the JMX REST connection. For Liberty collective, use the host name of the controller. |
| mfp.admin.jmx.port | Liberty only. The port number for the JMX REST connection. For Liberty collective, the port of the REST connector must be identical to the value of the httpsPort attribute that is declared in the httpEndpoint> element. This element is declared in the server.xml file of the Liberty controller. |
| | Optional. WebSphere Application Server farm: the user name of the SOAP connection. |
| mfp.admin.jmx.user | Liberty collective: the user name of the controller administrator that is defined in the <administrator-role> element of the server.xml file of the Liberty controller. Optional. WebSphere Application Server farm: the user passsword of the SOAP connection.</administrator-role> |
| mfp.admin.jmx.pwd | |
| | Liberty collective: the password of the controller administrator that is defined in the |
| | <administrator-role> element of the server.xml file of the Liberty controller.</administrator-role> |
| | Mandatory for server farms and Liberty collective, optional otherwise. |

Server farm: the server identifier. Must be different for each server in the farm.

Liberty collective: the member identifier. The identifier must be different for each member in the collective. The value controller cannot be used as it is reserved for the collective controller.

Optional. The server type. Valid values are:

- Liberty
- WAS
- Tomcat

If you do not set the value, the application tries to guess the server type.

Optional. In addition to the server type, specify here the server topology. Valid values:

- Standalone
- Cluster
- Farm

The default value is Standalone.

mfp.admin.serverid

mfp.topology.platform

mfp.topology.clustermode

Property Description Optional. For Liberty collective only. Set this property only when the administration components that manage this runtime are deployed in different Liberty controllers (replicas). mfp.admin.jmx.replica Endpoint list of the different controller replicas with the following syntax: replica-1 hostname:replica-1 port, replica-2 hostname:replica-2 port,..., replica-n hostname:replica-n port Optional. The URL that is exposed by IBM MobileFirst Analytics that links to the Analytics mfp.analytics.console.url console. Set this property if you want to access the Analytics console from the MobileFirst Operations Console. For example, http://<hostname>:<port>/analytics/console The password that is used if the data entry point for the IBM MobileFirst Analytics is mfp.analytics.password protected with basic authentication. The URL that is exposed by the IBM MobileFirst Analytics that receives incoming mfp.analytics.url analytics data. For example, http://<hostname>:<port>/analytics-service/rest The user name that is used if the data entry point for the IBM MobileFirst Analytics is mfp.analytics.username protected with basic authentication. Defines how often (in seconds) the decommissioning task is executed. Default: 86400, mfp.device.decommissionProcessingInterval which is one day. The number of days of inactivity after which a client device is decommissioned by the mfp.device.decommission.when device decommissioning task. Default: 90 days. The number of days of inactivity, after which a client device that has been decommissioned is archived. mfp.device.archiveDecommissioned.when This task writes the client devices that were decommissioned to an archive file. The archived client devices are written to a file in the MobileFirst Server home\devices_archive directory. The name of the file contains the time stamp when the archive file is created. Default: 90 days. A value that is used to enable or disable device tracking in IBM MobileFirst Foundation. For performance reasons, you can disable device tracking when IBM MobileFirst mfp.licenseTracking.enabled Foundation runs only Business-to-Consumer (B2C) apps. When device tracking is disabled, the license reports are also disabled and no license metrics are generated. Possible values are true (default) and false. Defines the runtime temporary files folder. Uses the default temporary folder location of mfp.runtime.temp.folder the web container when not set. The URL to be used for invoking adapter procedures from inside Java adapters, or JavaScript adapters that are invoked using the rest endpoint. If this property is not set, the mfp.adapter.invocation.url URL of the currently executing request will be used (this is the default behavior). This value should contain the full URL, including the context root. Authorization-server mode. Can be one of the following mode: • embedded: Use the MobileFirst authorization server. external: Use an external authorization server mfp.authorization.server . When setting this value, you must also set the mfp.external.authorization.server.secret and mfp.external.authorization.server.introspection.url properties for your external server. Secret of the external authorization server. This property is required when using an mfp.external.authorization.server.secret external authorization server, meaning mfp.authorization.server is set to external and is ignored otherwise.

URL of the introspection endpoint of the external authorization server. This property is

mfp.external.authorization.server.introspection.urlrequired when using an external authorization server, meaning

mfp.authorization.server is set to **external** and is ignored otherwise.

Used to configure the keystore for an HTTP adapter. When set to false (default), instructs the MobileFirst runtime to use the MobileFirst keystore. When set to true, instructs the

MobileFirst runtime to use the WebSphere SSL configuration. For more information, see WebSphere Application Server SSL configuration and HTTP adapters.

List of JNDI properties for MobileFirst Server push service

ssl.websphere.config

| | Optional | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|--|
| Property | or | Description |
| | mandatory | |
| mfp.push.db.type | Optional | Database type. Possible values: DB, CLOUDANT. Default: DB |
| mfp.push.db.queue.connections | Optional | Number of threads in the thread pool that does the database operation. |
| In the second second second | | Default: 3 |

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| Property | Optional or | Description |
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| mfp.push.db.cloudant.url | Optional | The Cloudant account URL. When this property is defined, the Cloudant DB will be directed to this URL. |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.dbName | Optional | The name of the database in the Cloudant account. It must start with a lowercase letter and consist only of lowercase letters, digits, and the |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.username | Optional | characters , \$, and Default: mfppush_db The user name of the Cloudant account, used to store the database. when this property is not defined, a relational database is used. |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.password | Optional | The password of the Cloudant account, used to store the database. This |
| | | property must be set when mfp.db.cloudant.username is set. The Cloudant document version. |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.doc.version | Optional | A timeout for detecting the loss of a network connection for Cloudant, in milliseconds. A value of zero means an infinite timeout. A negative value |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.socketTimeout | Optional | means the default (no override). Default. See https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration (https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration). A timeout for establishing a network connection for Cloudant, in |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.connectionTimeout | Optional | milliseconds. A value of zero means an infinite timeout. A negative value means the default (no override). Default. See https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration (https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration). |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.maxConnections | Optional | The Cloudant connector's max connections. Default. See https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration (https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration). |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.ssl.authentication | Optional | A Boolean value (true or false) that specifies whether the SSL certificate chain validation and host name verification are enabled for HTTPS connections to the Cloudant database. Default: True (WAS Full Profile only) For HTTPS connections to the Cloudant database: |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.ssl.configuration | Optional | The name of an SSL configuration in the WebSphere Application Server configuration, to use when no configuration is specified for the host and port. |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.proxyHost | Optional | Cloudant connector's proxy host. Default: See https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration (https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration). Cloudant connector's proxy port. Default: See |
| mfp.push.db.cloudant.proxyPort | Optional | https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration (https://github.com/cloudant/java-cloudant#advanced-configuration). |
| mfp.push.services.ext.security | Optional | The security extension plugin. |
| mfp.push.security.endpoint | Optional | The endpoint URL for the authorization server. |
| mfp.push.security.user | Optional | The username to access the authorization server. |
| mfp.push.security.password | Optional | The password to access the authorization server. |
| mfp.push.services.ext.analytics | Optional Optional | The analytics extension plugin. |
| mfp.push.analytics.endpoint mfp.push.analytics.user | Optional | The endpoint URL for the analytics server. The username to access the analytics server. |
| mfp.push.analytics.password | Optional | The password to access the analytics server. |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.appCreate | Optional | The analytic event when the application is created. Default: true |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.appDelete | Optional | The analytic event when the application is deleted. Default: true |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.deviceRegister | Optional | The analytic event when the device is registered. Default: true |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.deviceUnregister | Optional | The analytic event when the device is unregistered. Default: true |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.tagSubscribe | Optional | The analytic event when the device is subscribed to tag. Default: true |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.tagUnsubscribe | Optional | The analytic event when the device is unsubscribed from tag. Default: true |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.notificationSendSucces | - | The analytic event when the notification is sent successfully. Default: true |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.notificationSendFailure | - | The analytic event when the notification is failed to send. Default: false |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.inactiveDevicePurge mfp.push.analytics.events.msgReqAccepted | Optional Optional | The analytic event when the inactive devices are deleted. Default: true The analytic event when the notification is accepted for delivery. Default: |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.msgDispatchFailed | Optional | true The analytic event when the notification dispatch failed. Default: true |
| mfp.push.analytics.events.notificationDispatch | Optional | The analytic event when the notification is about to be dispatched. Default: true |
| mfp.push.internalQueue.maxLength | Optional | The length of the queue which holds the notification tasks before dispatch. Default: 200000 |
| mfp.push.gcm.proxy.enabled | Optional | Shows whether Google GCM must be accessed through a proxy. Default: false |
| mfp.push.gcm.proxy.protocol | Optional | Can be either http or https. |
| mfp.push.gcm.proxy.host | Optional | GCM proxy host. Negative value means default port. |
| mfp.push.gcm.proxy.port | Optional | GCM proxy port. Default: -1 |

| | Optional | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|---|
| Property | or | Description |
| | mandato | ry |
| mfp.push.gcm.proxy.user | Optional | Proxy user name, if the proxy requires authentication. Empty user name means no authentication. |
| mfp.push.gcm.proxy.password | Optional | Proxy password, if the proxy requires authentication. |
| mfp.push.gcm.connections | Optional | Push GCM max connections. Default: 10 |
| mfp.push.apns.proxy.enabled | Optional | Shows whether APNs must be accessed through a proxy. Default: false |
| mfp.push.apns.proxy.type | Optional | APNs proxy type. |
| mfp.push.apns.proxy.host | Optional | APNs proxy host. |
| mfp.push.apns.proxy.port | Optional | APNs proxy port. Default: -1 |
| mfp.push.apns.proxy.user | Optional | Proxy user name, if the proxy requires authentication. Empty user name means no authentication. |
| mfp.push.apns.proxy.password | Optional | Proxy password, if the proxy requires authentication. |
| mfp.push.apns.connections | Optional | Push APNs max connections. Default: 3 |
| mfp.push.apns.connectionIdleTimeout | Optional | APNs Idle Connection Timeout. Default : 0 |
| | | |

Configuring data sources

Find out some data source configuration details pertaining to the supported databases.

- · Managing the DB2 transaction log size
- · Configuring DB2 HADR seamless failover for MobileFirst Server and Application Center data sources

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- · Handling stale connections
- Stale data after creating or deleting apps from MobileFirst Operations Console

Managing the DB2 transaction log size

When you deploy an application that is at least 40 MB with IBM MobileFirst Operations Console, you might receive a transaction log full error.

The following system output is an example of the transaction log full error code.

DB2 SQL Error: SQLCODE=-964, SQLSTATE=57011

The content of each application is stored in the MobileFirst administration database.

The active log files are defined in number by the **LOGPRIMARY** and **LOGSECOND** database configuration parameters, and in size by the **LOGFILSIZ** database configuration parameter. A single transaction cannot use more log space than **LOGFILSZ** * (**LOGPRIMARY** + **LOGSECOND**) * 4096 KB.

The DB2 GET DATABASE CONFIGURATION command includes information about the log file size, and the number of primary and secondary log files.

Depending on the largest size of the MobileFirst application that is deployed, you might need to increase the DB2 log space.

Using the DB2 update db cfg command, increase the **LOGSECOND** parameter. Space is not allocated when the database is activated. Instead, the space is allocated only as needed.

Configuring DB2 HADR seamless failover for MobileFirst Server and Application Center data sources

You must enable the seamless failover feature with WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile and WebSphere Application Server. With this feature, you can manage an exception when a database fails over and gets rerouted by the DB2 JDBC driver.

Note: DB2 HADR failover is not supported for Apache Tomcat.

By default with DB2 HADR, when the DB2 JDBC driver performs a client reroute after detecting that a database failed over during the first attempt to reuse an existing connection, the driver triggers **com.ibm.db2.jcc.am.ClientRerouteException**, with **ERRORCODE=-4498** and **SQLSTATE=08506**. WebSphere Application Server maps this exception to **com.ibm.websphere.ce.cm.StaleConnectionException** before it is received by the application.

In this case, the application would have to catch the exception and execute again the transaction. The MobileFirst and Application Center runtime environments do not manage the exception but rely on a feature that is called seamless failover. To enable this feature, you must set the **enableSeamlessFailover** JDBC property to "1".

WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile configuration

You must edit the **server.xml** file, and add the **enableSeamlessFailover** property to the **properties.db2.jcc** element of the MobileFirst and Application Center data sources. For example:

WebSphere Application Server configuration

From the WebSphere Application Server administrative console for each MobileFirst and Application Center data source:

- 1. Go to Resources → JDBC → Data sources → DataSource name.
- 2. Select **New** and add the following custom property, or update the values if the properties already exist: enableSeamlessFailover
 - : 1
- 3. Click Apply.
- 4. Save your configuration.

For more information about how to configure a connection to an HADR-enabled DB2 database, see Setting up a connection to an HADR-enabled DB2 database

(https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSAW57_8.5.5/com.ibm.websphere.nd.multiplatform.doc/ae/tdat_db2_hadr.html?cp=SSAW57_8.5.5%2F3-3-6-3-3-0-7-3&lang=en).

Handling stale connections

Configure your application server to avoid database timeout issues.

A **StaleConnectionException** is an exception that is generated by the Java application server profile database connection code when a JDBC driver returns an unrecoverable error from a connection request or operation. The **StaleConnectionException** is raised when the database vendor issues an exception to indicate that a connection currently in the connection pool is no longer valid. This exception can happen for many reasons. The most common cause of **StaleConnectionException** is due to retrieving connections from the database connection pool and finding out that the connection has timed out or dropped when it was unused for a long time.

You can configure your application server to avoid this exception.

Apache Tomcat configuration

MySQL

The MySQL database closes its connections after a period of non-activity on a connection. This timeout is defined by the system variable called **wait_timeout**. The default is 28000 seconds (8 hours).

When an application tries to connect to the database after MySQL closes the connection, the following exception is generated:

com.mysql.jdbc.exceptions.jdbc4.MySQLNonTransientConnectionException: No operations allowed after statement closed.

Edit the server.xml and context.xml files, and for every <Resource> element add the following properties:

- testOnBorrow="true"
- validationQuery="select 1"

For example:

```
<Resource name="jdbc/AppCenterDS"
type="javax.sql.DataSource"
driverClassName="com.mysql.jdbc.Driver"
...
testOnBorrow="true"
validationQuery="select 1"
/>
```

WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile configuration

Edit the **server.xml** file and for every <ataSource> element (runtime and Application Center databases) add a <connectionManager> element with the agedTimeout property:

```
<connectionManager agedTimeout="timeout_value"/>
```

The timeout value depends mainly on the number of opened connections in parallel but also on the minimum and maximum number of the connections in the pool. Hence, you must tune the different **connectionManager** attributes to identify the most adequate values. For more information about the **connectionManager** element, see Liberty: Configuration elements in the **server.xml** file (https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSD28V_8.5.5/com.ibm.websphere.wlp.core.doc/autodita/rwlp_metatype_core.html).

Note: MySQL in combination with WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile or WebSphere Application Server full profile is not classified as a supported configuration. For more information, see WebSphere Application Server Support Statement (http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg27004311). Use IBM DB2 or another database that is supported by WebSphere Application Server to benefit from a configuration that is fully supported by IBM Support.

Stale data after creating or deleting apps from MobileFirst Operations Console

On a Tomcat 8 application server, if you use a MySQL database, some calls from MobileFirst Operations Console to services return a 404 error

On a Tomcat 8 application server, if you work with a MySQL database, when you use MobileFirst Operations Console to delete an app, or add a new one, and try to refresh the console a couple of times, you might see stale data. For example, users might see an already deleted app in the list.

To avoid this problem, change the isolation level to **READ_COMMITTED**, either in the data source, or in the database management system.

For the meaning of **READ_COMMITTED**, see the MySQL documentation (http://www.ibm.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/innodb-transaction-isolation-levels.html?view=kc) at http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/innodb-transaction-isolation-levels.html (http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/innodb-transaction-isolation-levels.html).

- To change the isolation level to **READ_COMMITTED** in the data source, modify the **server.xml** Tomcat configuration file: In the section, add the **defaultTransactionIsolation="READ_COMMITTED"** attribute.
- To change the isolation level to **READ_COMMITTED** globally in the database management system, refer to the SET TRANSACTION Syntax page (http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/set-transaction.html) of the MySQL documentation at http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/set-transaction.html (http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/set-transaction.html).

WebSphere Application Server full profile configuration

DB2 or Oracle

To minimize the stale connection issues, check the connection pools configuration on each data source in WebSphere Application Server administration console.

- 1. Log in to the WebSphere Application Server administration console.
- 2. Select Resources → JDBC Providers → database jdbcprovider → Data Sources → yourdatasource → Connection pool properties.
- 3. Set the Minimum connections value to 0.
- 4. Set the Reap time value to be lesser than the Unused timeout value.
- 5. Make sure that the Purge policy property is set to EntirePool (default).

For more information, see Connection pool settings

(https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSAW57_8.5.5/com.ibm.websphere.nd.doc/ae/udat_conpoolset.html).

MySQL

- 1. Log in to the WebSphere Application Server administration console.
- 2. Select Resources → JDBC → Data sources.
- 3. For each MySQL data source:
 - Click the data source.
 - Select Connection pool properties under Additional Properties.
 - Modify the value of the Aged timeout property. The value must be lower than the MySQL wait_timeout system variable so
 that the connections are purged before MySQL closes these connections.
 - o Click OK.

Note: MySQL in combination with WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile or WebSphere Application Server full profile is not classified as a supported configuration. For more information, see WebSphere Application Server Support Statement (http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg27004311). Use IBM DB2 or another database that is supported by WebSphere Application Server to benefit from a configuration that is fully supported by IBM Support.

Configuring logging and monitoring mechanisms

IBM MobileFirst Foundation reports errors, warnings, and informational messages into a log file. The underlying logging mechanism varies by application server.

MobileFirst Server

IBM MobileFirst Platform Server (MobileFirst Server for short) uses the standard java.util.logging package. By default, all MobileFirst logging goes to the application server log files. You can control MobileFirst Server logging by using the standard tools that are available in each application server. For example, if you want to activate trace logging in WebSphere Application Server Liberty, add a trace element to the server.xml file. To activate trace logging in WebSphere Application Server, use the logging screen in the console and enable trace for MobileFirst logs.

MobileFirst logs all begin with com.ibm.mfp.

Application Center logs begin with com.ibm.puremeap.

For more information about the logging models of each application server, including the location of the log files, see the documentation for the relevant application server, as shown in the following table.

Application server Location of documentation

Apache Tomcat http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-7.0-doc/logging.html#Using*java.util.logging*(default) (http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-7.0-doc/logging.html#Using_java.util.logging_(default))

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Server Version 8.5 full profile (http://ibm.biz/knowctr#SSEQTP_8.5.5/com.ibm.websphere.base.doc/ae/ttrb_trcover.html)

WebSphere Application http://ibm.biz/knowctr#SSEQTP8.5.5/com.ibm.websphere.wlp.doc/ae/rwlplogging.html?

WebSphere Application
Server Version 8.5 Liberty
Server Version 8.5 Liberty

profile (http://ibm.biz/knowctr#SSEQTP_8.5.5/com.ibm.websphere.wlp.doc/ae/rwlp_logging.html?

cp=SSEQTP_8.5.5%2F1-16-0-0)

Log level mappings

MobileFirst Server uses the java.util.logging API. The logging levels map to the following levels:

WL.Logger.debug: FINEWL.Logger.info: INFO

WL.Logger.warn: WARNINGWL.Logger.error: SEVERE

Log monitoring tools

For Apache Tomcat, you can use IBM Operations Analytics - Log Analysis (http://www.ibm.com/software/products/en/ibm-operations-analytics---log-analysis) or other industry standard log file monitoring tools to monitor logs and highlight errors and warnings.

For WebSphere Application Server, use the log viewing facilities that are described in IBM Knowledge Center. The URLs are listed in the table in the MobileFirst Server section of this page.

Back-end connectivity

To enable trace to monitor back-end connectivity, see the documentation for your specific application server platform in the table of section MobileFirst Server of this page. Use the **com.ibm.mfp.server.js.adapter** package and set the log level to **FINEST**.

Audit log for administration operations

MobileFirst Operations Console stores an audit log for login, logout, and for all administration operations, such as deploying apps or adapters or locking apps. You can disable the audit log by setting the JNDI property **mfp.admin.audit** to false on the web application of the MobileFirst administration service (**mfp-admin-service.war**).

When the audit log is enabled, you can download it from MobileFirst Operations Console by clicking the **Audit log** link in the footer of the page.

Login and authentication issues

To diagnose login and authentication issues, enable the package com.ibm.mfp.server.security for trace and set the log level to FINEST.

Configuring multiple runtimes

You can configure MobileFirst Server with multiple runtimes, creating a visual differentiation between application "types" in the MobileFirst Operations Console.

Note: multiple runtimes are not supported in a Mobile Foundation server instance created by the Mobile Foundation Bluemix service. In the Bluemix service, you must create multiple service instances instead.

Jump to

- Configuring multiple runtimes in WebSphere Liberty profile
- Registering applications and deploying adapters to different runtimes

· Exporting and importing runtime configurations

Configuring multiple runtimes in WebSphere Liberty profile

- Open the server.xml file of the application server. Typically located in the [application-server]/usr/servers/server-name/ folder.
 For example, with the MobileFirst Developer Kit, the file can be found it [installation-folder]/mfp-server/usrs/servers/mfp/server.xml.
- 2. Add a second application element:

3. Add a second set of JNDI entries:

```
<jndiEntry jndiName="second-runtime/mfp.analytics.url" value="http://localhost:9080/analytics-service/rest"'/>
<jndiEntry jndiName="second-runtime/mfp.analytics.console.url" value="http://localhost:9080/analytics/console"'/>
<jndiEntry jndiName="second-runtime/mfp.analytics.username" value="admin"'/>
<jndiEntry jndiName="second-runtime/mfp.analytics.password" value="admin"'/>
<jndiEntry jndiName="second-runtime/mfp.authorization.server" value="embedded"'/>
```

4. Add a second dataSource element:

```
<dataSource jndiName="second-runtime/jdbc/mfpDS" transactional="false">
    <jdbcDriver libraryRef="DerbyLib"/>
    cproperties.derby.embedded databaseName="${wlp.install.dir}/databases/second-runtime" user=""MFPDATA""/>
    </dataSource>
```

Note:

- Make sure the dataSource is pointing to a different database schema.
- Make sure you have created another database instance (../databases) for the new runtime.
- In the development environment, add createDatabase="create" in the properties.derby.embedded childelement.
- 5. Restart the application server.

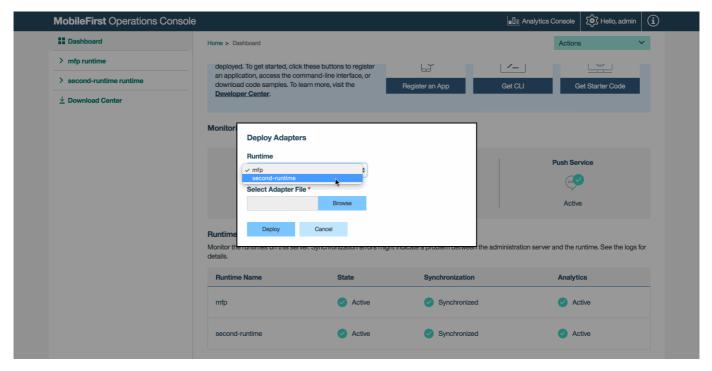
Registering applications and deploying adapters to different runtimes

When a MobileFirst Server is configured with multiple runtimes, the registration of applications and deployment of adapters is slightly different.

- Registering and deploying from the MobileFirst Operations Console
- · Registering and deploying from the Command-line

Registering and deploying from the MobileFirst Operations Console

When performing these actions in the MobileFirst Console, you now need to select the runtime to register or deploy to.



Registering and deploying from the Command-line

When performing these actions using the mfpdev command-line tool, you now need to add the runtime name to register or deploy to.

To register an application: mfpdev app register <server-name> <runtime-name>.

mfpdev app register local second-runtime

To deploy an adapter: mfpdev adapter deploy <server-name> <runtime-name>.

mfpdev adapter deploy local second-runtime

- **local** is the name of the default server definition in the MobileFirst CLI. Replace *local* with a the server definition name you need to register or deploy to.
- runtime-name is the name of the runtime to register or deploy to.

Learn more with the following CLI help commands:

- mfpdev help server add
- mfpdev help app register
- mfpdev help adapter deploy

Exporting and importing runtime configurations

You can export a runtime configuration and import it to another MobileFirst Server using the REST APIs of the MobileFirst Server administration service.

For example, you can setup a runtime configuration in a development environment, export its configuration and then import it to a testing environment for a quick set-up, and then further configure it for the specific needs of the testing environment.

Find out all available REST APIs in the API Reference

 $(http://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSHS8R_8.0.0/com.ibm.worklight.apiref.doc/apiref/c_restapi_oview.html).$

Configuring license tracking

License tracking is enabled by default. Read the following topics to learn how you can configure license tracking. For more information about license tracking, see License tracking (.../../administering-apps/license-tracking).

- Configuring license tracking for client device and addressable device
- Configuring IBM License Metric Tool log files

Configuring license tracking for client device and addressable device

License tracking for client devices and addressable device is enabled by default. License reports are available in the MobileFirst Operations Console. You can specify the following JNDI properties to change the default settings for license tracking.

Note: If you have a contract that defines the use of token licensing, see alsoInstalling and configuring for token licensing (../token-licensing).

You can specify the following JNDI properties to change the default settings for license tracking.

mfp.device.decommission.when

The number of days of inactivity after which a device is decommissioned by the device decommissioning task. License reports do not count decommissioned devices as active devices. The default value for the property is 90 days. Do not set a value lower than 30 days if your software is licensed by Client Device or by Addressable Device, or license reports might not be sufficient to prove compliance.

mfp.device.archiveDecommissioned.when

A value, in days, that defines when decommissioned devices are placed in an archive file when the decommissioning task is run. The archived devices are written to a file in the IBM MobileFirst Server **home\devices_archive** directory. The name of the file contains the time stamp when the archive file is created. The default value is 90 days.

mfp.device.decommissionProcessingInterval

Defines how often (in seconds) the decommissioning task is run. Default: 86400, which is one day. The decommissioning task performs the following actions:

- Decommissions inactive devices, based on the mfp.device.decommission.when setting.
- Optionally, archives older decommissioned devices, based on the mfp.device.archiveDecommissioned.when setting.
- · Generates the license tracking report.

mfp.licenseTracking.enabled

A value that is used to enable or disable license tracking in IBM MobileFirst Foundation. By default, license tracking is enabled. For performance reasons, you can disable this flag when IBM MobileFirst Foundation is not licensed by Client Device or by Addressable Device. When device tracking is disabled, the license reports are also disabled and no license metrics are generated. In that case, only IBM License Metric Tool records for Application count are generated.

For more information about specifying JNDI properties, see List of JNDI properties for MobileFirst runtime.

Configuring IBM License Metric Tool log files

IBM MobileFirst Foundation generates IBM Software License Metric Tag (SLMT) files. Versions of IBM License Metric Tool that support IBM Software License Metric Tag can generate License Consumption Reports. Read this to understand how to configure the location and the maximum size of the generated files.

By default, the IBM Software License Metric Tag files are in the following directories:

- On Windows: %ProgramFiles%\ibm\common\sIm
- On UNIX and UNIX-like operating systems: /var/ibm/common/slm

If the directories are not writable, the files are created in the log directory of the application server that runs the MobileFirst runtime environment.

You can configure the location and management of those files with the following properties:

- license.metric.logger.output.dir: Location of the IBM Software License Metric Tag files
- license.metric.logger.file.size: Maximum size of an SLMT file before a rotation is performed. The default size is 1 MB.
- license.metric.logger.file.number: Maximum number of SLMT archive files to keep in rotations. The default number is 10.

To change the default values, you must create a Java property file, with the format **key=value**, and provide the path to the properties file through the **license***metric***logger_configuration** JVM property.

For more information about IBM License Metric Tool reports, see Integration with IBM License Metric Tool (../../administering-apps/license-tracking/#integration-with-ibm-license-metric-tool).

WebSphere Application Server SSL configuration and HTTP adapters

By setting a property, you can let HTTP adapters benefit from WebSphere SSL configuration.

By default, HTTP adapters do not use WebSphere SSL by concatenating the Java Runtime Environment (JRE) truststore with the MobileFirst Server keystore, which is described in Configuring the MobileFirst Server keystore (../../.authentication-and-security/configuring-the-mobilefirst-server-keystore). Also see Configuring SSL between MobileFirst adapters and back-end servers by using self-signed certificates (../../../administering-apps/deployment/#configuring-ssl-between-mobilefirst-adapters-and-back-end-servers-by-using-self-signed-certificates).

To have HTTP adapters use the WebSphere SSL configuration, set the **ssl.websphere.config** JNDI property to true. The setting has the following effects in order of precedence:

- 1. Adapters running on WebSphere use the WebSphere keystore and not the MobileFirst Server keystore.
- 2. If the ssl.websphere.alias property is set, the adapter uses the SSL configuration that is associated with the alias as set in this

property.

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