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Part I: Introduction

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Chapter 1: Introduction to the ACI API

The ACI (Autonomy Content Infrastructure) Client API enables easy communication between custombuilt applications and Micro Focus ACI servers, as well as simple manipulation of the returned result sets.

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API Versions

This version of the ACI API Programming Guide is relevant for the following versions of the IDOL SDKs:

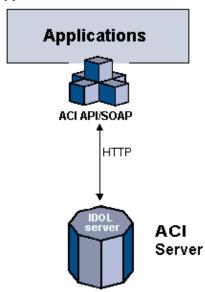
- Java Client NG IDOL SDK version 12.4
- C IDOL SDK version 12.0
- .NET IDOL SDK version 10.8

System Architecture

The ACI API uses HTTP to allow custom-built applications (for example C, Java, or .NET applications) to communicate with Micro Focus ACI servers. Communication with the servers is implemented over HTTP using XML and can adhere to SOAP. The following diagram shows the architecture.

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Application Server Architecture



Use the ACI API

You can use the ACI API to send actions to ACI servers and retrieve information from their responses. Each IDOL SDK provides APIs that allow you to:

- Configure connections to ACI servers.
- Send requests to ACI servers

For details on the available actions and the parameters they require, refer to the Administration Guide or Reference for the appropriate Micro Focus ACI server.

IDOL SDKs

IDOL SDKs are available for C, Java, and .NET. The SDK to use for your application depends on the application environment, as identified in the following table.

Language Environments

ACI API	Environment
С	С
Java Client NG	Standalone JavaJ2EEJSP
.NET	.NET (for example, Visual Basic, C#, J#)

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Micro Focus ACI Server Action Syntax

You can use either HTTP GET or HTTP POST methods to access Micro Focus ACI servers. The following sections describe syntax differences between the two methods and show examples of each. The ACI API clients construct these requests for you.

HTTP GET

The ACI API allows custom-built applications to access Micro Focus ACI servers using the following HTTP action syntax:

http://host:port/action=action¶meters

where,

host	is the IP address (or name) of the machine on which the Micro Focus ACI server is running.
port	is the port number that is used to send actions to the Micro Focus ACI server.
action	is the action that you want the Micro Focus ACI server to run.
parameters	are the required and optional parameters for the action.

Example:

Consider the following example:

http://localhost:4000/action=query&text=dinosaurs&maxresults=1

This action sends the query text dinosaur to an Micro Focus ACI server (in this case IDOL server), which in response returns an XML result, for example:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<autnresponse>
   <action>QUERY</action>
   <response>SUCCESS</response>
   <responsedata>
      <autn:numhits>1</autn:numhits>
      <autn:hit>
         <autn:reference>
           http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z16358245&z=28
         </autn:reference>
         <autn:id>101927</autn:id>
         <autn:section>0</autn:section>
         <autn:weight>97</autn:weight>
         <autn:links>DINOSAUR</autn:links>
         <autn:database>0</autn:database>
         <autn:title>Studying dinosaurs</autn:title>
```

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```
</autn:hit>
</responsedata>
</autnresponse>
```

HTTP POST

The ACI API allows custom-built applications to access Micro Focus ACI servers using the following HTTP action syntax to post the body to *host:port*.

```
action=action parameter1=parameter_value parameter2=parameter_value
```

```
NOTE: \square is a CRLF combination or a CR.
```

where,

host	is the IP address (or name) of the machine on which the Micro Focus ACI server is running.
port	is the port number that is used to send actions to the Micro Focus ACI server.
action	is the action that you want the Micro Focus ACI server to run.
parameterN	is the name of a required or optional parameter for the action.
parameter_ value	is the associated parameter value.

Example:

Consider the following example that posts the following body to localhost: 4000:

```
action=query
querytext=dinosaurs
maxresults=1
```

This action sends the query text dinosaur to an Micro Focus ACI server (in this case an IDOL server), which in response returns an XML result, for example:

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Display Online Reference for ACI Server Actions

The ACI server online references contain details of the available actions and configuration parameters for an ACI server. You can use the references to find the details of the actions and parameters that you want to call with the ACI API.

You can view the reference for a particular ACI server by sending the following action to the server:

http://host:port/action=Help

where,

host	is the IP address (or name) of the machine on which the Micro Focus ACI server is running.
port	is the port number that client machines use to communicate with the Micro Focus ACI server. This port number is specified in the ACI server configuration file [Server] section.

NOTE: To use the reference, the ACI server must have a help.dat file available in the same directory as the server executable file.

The ACI Representation of XML

NOTE: The following section is not relevant to the .NET IDOL SDK.

Each XML entity in an XML document is represented by a Data ACI object (for the Java SDK, this is an AciResponse object), which holds the name of the XML entity and its value (if the XML entity contains plain text between its opening and closing tags, this text is considered to be its value, otherwise no value is stored).

The hierarchical structure of an XML document is preserved through a linked list. For example, if an XML entity contains another XML entity, the ACI object that represents the first XML entity represents the enclosed XML entity through a link to a child ACI object. If an XML entity contains multiple XML entities, the corresponding ACI objects are linked to each other, as well as to the parent ACI object. Each ACI object can point to a child branch and a sibling branch.

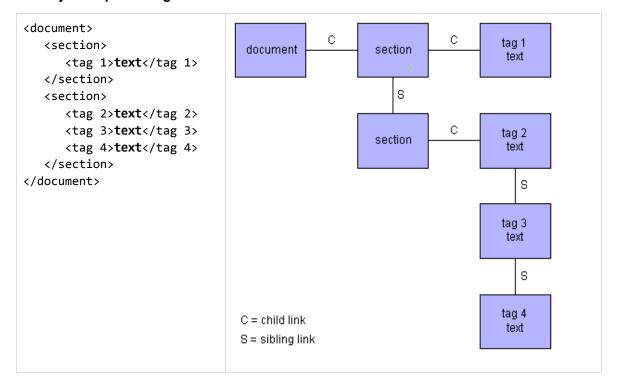
Consider the following example:

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```
<document>
  <section>
    <tag 1>text</tag 1>
    </section>
    <section>
        <tag 2>text</tag 2>
        <tag 3>text</tag 3>
        <tag 4>text</tag 4>
        </section>
</document>
```

The XML fragment below is converted to the ACI object linked list as shown in the following diagram.

ACI objects representing XML in linked list



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Part II: Java Language Interface

This section provides information on using the Java language IDOL SDK and includes the following chapters:

• Use the Java Client NG IDOL SDK, on page 17

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Chapter 2: Use the Java Client NG IDOL SDK

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Java ACI Objects

In the Java Client NG IDOL SDK, the main ACI API functionality is provided by the following objects:

- AciServerDetails allows you to set the connection details of an ACI server including encryption settings.
- AciService and AciParameter objects allow you to construct sets of action parameters and send them to a configured ACI server.
- DocumentProcessor and BinaryResponseProcessor allow you to process the response from any ACI action into an easy to use, standards compliant, format.
- Processor<T> and AbstractStAXProcessor<T> allow you to write you own custom ACI response parsers for maximum flexibility.

Create an AciService

All communication with ACI Servers goes through an implementation of the AciService interface. To allow for the usage of different HTTP clients, the default implementation of the AciService interface requires an implementation of the AciHttpClient interface. The default implementation of the AciHttpClient interface uses the Apache HTTP Components HttpClient, which is included in the distribution.

When creating an AciService, you can either specify connection details for a particular server and tie the implementation to that server, or you can specify connection details every time you send an action. Connection details that you specify on a per action basis override those set on the default AciService implementation.

The following example shows the simplest way to create an AciService implementation:

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For more control over how the Apache HttpClient is configured, the API contains a factory class, HttpClientFactory, for creating and configuring the HttpClient. For information about how to configure and use this class, refer to the JavaDocs.

The only way to switch between GET and POST HTTP methods, is to set a flag on the AciHttpClientImpl class. The way that this class is normally created means that an AciService implementation is normally set to either send everything as GET or everything as POST.

The AciServerDetails class allows you to set the HTTP protocol (HTTP or HTTPS), as well as the host, port, character set and any encryption details. It supports only ACI servers secured via the BTEA algorithm. Micro Focus recommends that you use SSL by HTTPS.

The following example shows how to configure an AciServer instance when you are using a dependency injection container like Spring, you can configure an AciServer instance:

```
<beans xmlns="...">
  <context:property-placeholder location="classpath:idol.properties" />
  <bean id="httpClientFactory"</pre>
      class="com.autonomy.aci.client.transport.impl.HttpClientFactory"
      p:maxConnectionsPerRoute="20"
      p:maxTotalConnections="120"
      p:staleCheckingEnabled="true" />
  <bean id="httpClient" factory-bean="httpClientFactory"</pre>
      factory-method="createInstance" />
  <bean id="aciService"</pre>
        class="com.autonomy.aci.client.services.impl.AciServiceImpl">
    <constructor-arg>
      <bean class="com.autonomy.aci.client.transport.impl.AciHttpClientImpl"</pre>
          p:httpClient-ref="httpClient" />
    </constructor-arg>
    <constructor-arg>
      <bean class="com.autonomy.aci.client.transport.AciServerDetails"</pre>
          p:host="${idol.host}"
          p:port="${idol.aciPort}" />
    </constructor-arg>
  </bean>
</beans>
Alternatively, if you are using Spring Java Configuration, you can use something similar to the following
example:
@Configuration
@EnableWebMvc
public class AppConfig extends WebMvcConfigurerAdapter {
    @Autowired
    private Environment env;
```

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```
@Bean
    public ResourceBundle idolProperties() {
        return ResourceBundle.getBundle("/idol");
    }
   @Bean
    public HttpClient httpClient() {
        final HttpClientFactory factory = new HttpClientFactory();
        factory.setMaxTotalConnections(toInt(env.getProperty(
              "aci.maxTotalConnections"), 30));
        factory.setMaxConnectionsPerRoute(toInt(env.getProperty(
              "aci.maxConnectionsPerRoute"), 15));
        factory.setConnectionTimeout(toInt(env.getProperty(
              "aci.connectionTimeout"), 10000));
        factory.setLinger(toInt(env.getProperty("aci.linger"), -1));
        factory.setSocketBufferSize(toInt(env.getProperty(
              "aci.socketBufferSize"), 8192));
        factory.setSoTimeout(toInt(env.getProperty("aci.soTimeout"), 30000));
        factory.setStaleCheckingEnabled(toBoolean(env.getProperty(
              "aci.staleChecking", "true")));
        factory.setTcpNoDelay(toBoolean(env.getProperty(
              "aci.tcpNoDelay", "true")));
        factory.setUseCompression(toBoolean(env.getProperty(
              "aci.useCompression", "false")));
        return factory.createInstance();
    }
    @Bean
    public AciService aciService() {
        final ResourceBundle idolProperties = idolProperties();
        final AciServerDetails serverDetails = new AciServerDetails();
        serverDetails.setHost(idolProperties.getString("idol.host"));
        serverDetails.setPort(NumberUtils.toInt(
              idolProperties.getString("idol.aciPort"), 9030));
        return new AciServiceImpl(
              new AciHttpClientImpl(httpClient()), serverDetails);
    }
}
```

Perform an Action

After you create your AciService, the next thing you need to do to send an action to an ACI Server, is to produce a set of parameters. You can use any kind of Set implementation, and there is a helper class, ActionParameters, with various methods to make it easier to populate.

If you were sending a Query action to IDOL Server, you would create your ActionParameters like:

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```
// Create the parameter set...
final ActionParameters parameters = new ActionParameters();
parameters.add(AciConstants.PARAM_ACTION, "Query");
parameters.add("Text", queryText);
parameters.add("combine", "simple");
parameters.add("maxResults", 10);
parameters.add("totalResults", true);
parameters.add("print", "none");
parameters.add("summary", "ParagraphConcept");
parameters.add("characters", 400);
parameters.add("anyLanguage", true);
parameters.add("outputEncoding", "utf8");
You can also specify parameters to the constructor, using varargs for example:
// Create the parameter set...
final ActionParameters parameters = new ActionParameters(
      new AciParameter(AciConstants.PARAM_ACTION, "Query"),
      new AciParameter("text", queryText),
      new AciParameter("combine", "simple"),
      new AciParameter("maxResults", 10),
      new AciParameter("totalResults", true),
      new AciParameter("print", "none"),
      new AciParameter("summary", "ParagraphConcept"),
      new AciParameter("characters", 400),
      new AciParameter("anyLanguage", true),
      new AciParameter("outputEncoding", "utf8")
);
The following example also shows a shorthand way to create your ActionParameters, where all you
need is the action parameter:
final ActionParameters params = new ActionParameters("getstatus");
When you are passed a Set<ActionParameter>, you can easily convert this into an
ActionParameters Object by using the ActionParameters.convert(Set<? extends
ActionParameter>) method. If the method is passed an ActionParameters object, it casts it back
and returns it, without creating a new copy.
The default behavior of a Set is to not add something if it already exists in the set, so
ActionParameters contains a series of put(AciParameter) methods, which remove the existing
```

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value and replace it with the one passed. This option ensures that certain parameters are set to required

final ActionParameters parameters = ActionParameters.convert(parameterSet);

// Ensure that these parameters are set to the values that are required...

private void myMethod(final Set<ActionParameter<?>> parameterSet) {

values, regardless of what has been passed. For example:

// Convert the set of parameters...

parameters.put("combine", "simple");
parameters.put("anyLanguage", true);
parameters.put("outputEncoding", "utf8");

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```
}
```

After you have your set of parameters, you can use the previously configured AciService to send them to your ACI Server. For example:

```
// Send the action and process the response into a DOM Document...
final Document response = aciService.executeAction(
    parameters, new DocumentProcessor());
```

As previously stated, you can also supply connection details at this point to override any already set on the default AciService implementation. For example:

Process an ACI Response

The API uses a processor based system to consume the responses from an ACI Server. It is based around two interfaces: Processor<T> and StAXProcessor<T>. StAXProcessor<T> has an abstract implementation that sets up the StAX parser. You can either write your own processor implementations, or use those that are included with the API.

The default processor that is included with the API is the DocumentProcessor. This processor returns a DOM Document object, which you can then parse using either DOM or XPath. However, not all ACI responses are XML. For example, the cluster and spectrograph functionality can also return images. The SDK contains a BinaryResponseProcessor for these cases. Internally it uses the ByteArrayProcessor to process the binary data, or the ErrorProcessor if it detects that the response is actually XML.

The following example shows the use of the DocumentProcessor and XPath to output query results to the console:

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```
System.out.println(
      "Displaying " + documents +
      " results from a total of " +
      xpath.evaluate("/autnresponse/responsedata/totalhits", results) + '\n'
);
// Output the details of each document to the console...
for(int ii = 0; ii < documents; ii++) {</pre>
    // Get an individual document in the response...
    final Node node = nodeList.item(ii);
    // Output a few key fields...
    System.out.println('\n' + xpath.evaluate("reference", node));
    System.out.println("Title : " + xpath.evaluate("title", node));
    System.out.println("Relevance : " + xpath.evaluate("weight", node) + '%');
    System.out.println("Database : " + xpath.evaluate("database", node));
    final String links = xpath.evaluate("links", node);
    if(StringUtils.isNotBlank(links)) {
        System.out.println("Matched on: " + links);
    System.out.println("Summary : " + xpath.evaluate(
          "summary", node).replaceAll("\n", " "));
}
The following example shows the use of the BinaryResponseProcessor in a Spring based service
implementation:
@Service
public class ClusteringServiceImpl implements ClusteringService {
    @Autowired
    @Qualifier("clusterService")
    private AciService clusteringService;
    . . .
   @Override
    public byte[] clusterServe2DMap(final String job) {
        return clusteringService.executeAction(
              new ActionParameters(
                    new AciParameter(
                          AciConstants.PARAM_ACTION, "ClusterServe2DMap"),
                    new AciParameter("sourceJobName", job)
              ),
              new BinaryResponseProcessor()
        );
    }
```

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```
}
```

You might want to write your own response processors for increased performance, or to return the response as a collection of JavaBeans. In this case, you simply implement one of the two processor interfaces. When you need access to the underlying response stream, implement the Processor<T> interface. When you want to parse XML, then extend the AbstractStAXProcessor<T> class, which implements the StAXProcessor<T> interface.

The following example shows how to return the first instance of a field in a response. This process is useful for pulling out information such as SecurityInfo strings, where you do not need the rest of the response.

```
public class ElementValueProcessor extends AbstractStAXProcessor<String> {
    private final String elementName;
    public ElementValueProcessor(final String elementName) {
        this.elementName = elementName;
        setErrorProcessor(new ErrorProcessor());
    }
   @Override
    public String process(final XMLStreamReader xmlStreamReader) {
        try {
            if(isErrorResponse(xmlStreamReader)) {
                processErrorResponse(xmlStreamReader);
            }
            String result = null;
            while(xmlStreamReader.hasNext()) {
                final int elementType = xmlStreamReader.next();
                if((elementType == XMLEvent.START_ELEMENT) &&
                        (elementName.equals(xmlStreamReader.getLocalName()))) {
                    result = xmlStreamReader.getElementText();
                    break;
                }
            }
            return result;
        }
        catch(XMLStreamException e) {
            throw new ProcessorException(
                  "Unable to parse the ACI response.", e);
        }
   }
}
```

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The following example processes the response from the UserReadUserList action into a UserList JavaBean.

```
public class UserReadUserListProcessor extends AbstractStAXProcessor<UserList> {
    public UserReadUserListProcessor() {
        setErrorProcessor(new ErrorProcessor());
   }
    @Override
    public UserList process(final XMLStreamReader xmlStreamReader) {
        try {
            if(isErrorResponse(xmlStreamReader)) {
                processErrorResponse(xmlStreamReader);
            }
            final UserList userList = new UserList();
            while(xmlStreamReader.hasNext()) {
                final int eventType = xmlStreamReader.next();
                // We want the start elements...
                if(XMLEvent.START_ELEMENT == eventType) {
                    if("autn:user".equalsIgnoreCase(
                            xmlStreamReader.getLocalName())) {
                        userList.addUserName(xmlStreamReader.getElementText());
                    else if("autn:totalusers".equalsIgnoreCase(
                          xmlStreamReader.getLocalName())) {
                        userList.setTotalUsers(NumberUtils.toInt(
                              xmlStreamReader.getElementText()));
                    else if("autn:numusers".equalsIgnoreCase(
                          xmlStreamReader.getLocalName())) {
                        userList.setNumUsers(NumberUtils.toInt(
                              xmlStreamReader.getElementText()));
                    }
                }
            }
            return userList;
        catch(XMLStreamException xmlse) {
            throw new ProcessorException(
                    "Unable to create a list of users.", xmlse);
        }
    }
}
```

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Send Multipart Data

The following program provides a more detailed example that includes sending multipart data to a Media Server for processing.

```
import com.autonomy.aci.client.services.AciService;
import com.autonomy.aci.client.services.impl.AciServiceImpl;
import com.autonomy.aci.client.services.impl.DocumentProcessor;
import com.autonomy.aci.client.transport.AciParameter;
import com.autonomy.aci.client.transport.AciServerDetails;
import com.autonomy.aci.client.transport.InputStreamActionParameter;
import com.autonomy.aci.client.transport.impl.AciHttpClientImpl;
import com.autonomy.aci.client.util.ActionParameters;
import java.io.ByteArrayInputStream;
import java.io.FileInputStream;
import java.io.FileNotFoundException;
import java.io.IOException;
import java.io.OutputStreamWriter;
import java.io.UnsupportedEncodingException;
import javax.xml.transform.OutputKeys;
import javax.xml.transform.Transformer;
import javax.xml.transform.TransformerException;
import javax.xml.transform.TransformerFactory;
import javax.xml.transform.dom.DOMSource;
import javax.xml.transform.stream.StreamResult;
import org.apache.http.impl.client.HttpClientBuilder;
import org.w3c.dom.Document;
public class MediaTest {
    public static void main(String... args) throws TransformerException,
        IOException {
        // Create an AciService pointing at media server.
        final AciService aciService = new AciServiceImpl(
            new AciHttpClientImpl(HttpClientBuilder.create().build()),
            new AciServerDetails("mediaserver.example.com", 14000)
        );
        // Config for OCR, assumes [Channels] VisualChannels=1 is enabled on media
             server and that the relevant functionality is licensed.
        final String config =
            "[Session]\n" +
            "Engine0=Ingest\n" +
            "Engine1=OCR\n" +
            "Engine2=Output\n" +
            "\n" +
            "[Ingest]\n" +
            "Type=Image\n" +
            "\n" +
```

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```
"[OCR]\n" +
            "Type=ocr\n" +
            "Languages=en\n" +
            "\n" +
            [Output]\n +
            "Type=response\n";
       try (
            final FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream(
                "/home/user/ocr_test.png"
            final ActionParameters params = new ActionParameters("process");
            // Plain string parameters can be sent directly.
            params.add("synchronous", true);
            // We can use input stream parameters for image files.
            params.add(new InputStreamActionParameter("SourceData", fis));
            // The documentation for 'Config' says it should either be base-64
                 encoded or sent as multipart form data, so we're doing the
            //
                 latter below.
            params.add(new InputStreamActionParameter("Config",
                new ByteArrayInputStream(config.getBytes("UTF-8"))));
            // Perform the request, and parse the response to XML.
            final Document xml = aciService.executeAction(
                params, new DocumentProcessor()
            );
            // Print the XML out.
            TransformerFactory tf = TransformerFactory.newInstance();
            final Transformer transformer = tf.newTransformer();
            transformer.setOutputProperty(OutputKeys.INDENT, "yes");
            transformer.setOutputProperty(OutputKeys.ENCODING, "UTF-8");
            transformer.setOutputProperty(
                "{http://xml.apache.org/xslt}indent-amount", "2"
            );
            transformer.transform(new DOMSource(xml),
                new StreamResult(new OutputStreamWriter(System.out, "UTF-8")));
        }
    }
}
```

JSP Tag Library

The Java Client NG IDOL SDK has a JSP tag library to provide an alternative method for sending actions.

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The SDK includes documentation for these tags, as well as JavaDocs. For more information about the tag library, refer to these documents in your Java Client NG IDOL SDK installation package.

The following example displays the current memory report for an ACI server.

```
<c:catch var="memoryReportException">
<aci:action var="memoryReportResult" action="MemoryReport"
    aciService="${aciService}" />
</c:catch>
<c:choose>
 <c:when test="${empty memoryReportException}">
  <div id="memoryReport" class="content">
    <div class="title"><fmt:message key="memoryReport.title" /></div>
     <c:set var="bytes">
          <x:out
            select="$memoryReportResult/autnresponse/
              responsedata/memory0/memoryusage" />
         </c:set>
         <fmt:message key="memoryReport.total" />
            <fmt:formatNumber value="${(bytes div 1024) div 1024}"</pre>
                type="number" pattern="###.##" />
            <fmt:message key="memoryReport.mb" />
          <x:forEach
            select="$memoryReportResult/autnresponse/responsedata/memory0//*[
              starts-with(name(), 'memory')
              and not(starts-with(name(),'memoryusage'))]">
          <x:set var="padding" select="count(ancestor::*)" />
            <x:out select="name" />
            <c:set var="usage1"><x:out select="memoryusage" /></c:set>
                <c:when test="${((usage1 div 1024) div 1024) gt 1}">
                  <fmt:formatNumber value="${(usage1 div 1024) div 1024}"</pre>
                     type="number" pattern="###.##" />
                  <fmt:message key="memoryReport.mb" />
                <c:when test="${(usage1 div 1024) gt 1}">
                  <fmt:formatNumber value="${usage1 div 1024}"</pre>
                     type="number" pattern="###.##" />
                  <fmt:message key="memoryReport.kb" />
```

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```
</c:when>
                  <c:otherwise>${usage1}
                    <fmt:message key="memoryReport.b" />
                  </c:otherwise>
               </c:choose>
             <x:if select="components[text()!='0']">
                 <c:set var="usage2">
                    <x:out select="noncomponentusage" />
                  </c:set>
                  <c:choose>
                  <c:when test="${((usage2 div 1024) div 1024) gt 1}">(
                    <fmt:formatNumber value="${(usage2 div 1024) div 1024}"</pre>
                        type="number" pattern="###.##" />
                    <fmt:message key="memoryReport.mb" />)
                  </c:when>
                  <c:when test="${(usage2 div 1024) gt 1}">(
                    <fmt:formatNumber value="${usage2 div 1024}"</pre>
                       type="number" pattern="###.##" />
                    <fmt:message key="memoryReport.kb" />)
                  </c:when>
                  <c:otherwise>(${usage2})
                    <fmt:message key="memoryReport.b" />)
                  </c:otherwise>
               </c:choose>
                </x:if>
             </x:forEach>
        </div>
 </c:when>
 <c:otherwise>
   <div class="content error">
     <fmt:message key="memoryReport.error">
        <fmt:param value="${memoryReportException.message}" />
      </fmt:message>
   </div>
 </c:otherwise>
</c:choose>
```

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Part III: .NET Language Interface

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Chapter 3: Use the .NET Interface

This section describes common ways to use the IDOL SDK for .NET.

NOTE: The classes defined in the .NET IDOL SDK are in the Autonomy.Aci namespace. To use the examples in this document you must include the directive:

using Autonomy.Aci;

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.NET IDOL SDK Objects

In the .NET IDOL SDK, the main functionality is provided by the following objects:

- The AciClient class provides methods for creating new connections.
- Command objects represent requests to an ACI server. They can be run by any connection returned by AciClient.
- Response objects represent responses from an ACI server. They provide access to the XML of the response, which is represented by a System.Xml.XmlDocument object.

Create a Connection

To send actions to an ACI server, you must first create a connection. When you create the connection, you specify the host and port of the server you want to send the actions to. You can specify other connection settings, such as the number of times to retry a request that fails before abandoning it. For an example of how to create a connection, see Create a Connection Using the .NET IDOL SDK., below.

Create a Connection Using the .NET IDOL SDK.

The following example shows how to create various types of connection.

```
// Create an unencrypted connection using the default settings.
IConnection unsecuredConnection =
    AciClient.CreateUnsecuredConnection("localhost", 9900);

// Create a connection secured using BTEA encryption.
uint[] key = { 123, 234, 345, 456 };
IConnection encryptedConnection =
```

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Perform an Action

To send an action to the ACI server, you must create a Command object. This object stores information about the action that you want to run, including all the parameters that the action requires. For an example of how to create a Command object, see Create an Action, below.

Create an Action

The following example shows how to create a Command object for the IDOL server query action. The action is Query and it sets the parameters Text, LanguageType, and TotalResults.

```
Command query = new Command("query");
query.Set("text", "Reducing heart attack risk");
query.Set("LanguageType", "English");
query.Set("TotalResults", true);
```

Set the HTTP Request Method

The HTTP request method used to send the action is defined by the connection object. If you want to change the request method from the default, pass different HTTP settings into the constructor of this object. For an example, see Create a Connection, on the previous page. For more information about the HTTP settings you can change, refer to the .NET ACI API reference documentation.

Manipulate a Response

The Execute method of an IConnection sends an action to an ACI server and returns a structure containing the response.

For an example of how to obtain this structure, see Obtain a Response to a Query, below.

Obtain a Response to a Query

The following example shows how to run a command and retrieve the response.

```
Response response = connection.Execute(query);
```

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If the request is successful, response. Data provides access to an XMLDocument containing the response from the server. If the request failed, an exception is thrown from connection. Execute.

Consider the following example, which might be the result of the Query action performed in Create an Action, on the previous page:

```
<autnresponse>
  <action>QUERY</action>
 <response>SUCCESS</response>
 <responsedata>
    <autn:numhits>2</autn:numhits>
    <autn:hit>
      <autn:reference>http://www.example.com/2</autn:reference>
      <autn:id>8</autn:id>
      <autn:section>0</autn:section>
      <autn:weight>96.00</autn:weight>
      <autn:database>Default</autn:database>
    </autn:hit>
    <autn:hit>
      <autn:reference>http://www.example.com/1</autn:reference>
      <autn:id>7</autn:id>
      <autn:section>0</autn:section>
      <autn:weight>96.00</autn:weight>
      <autn:database>Default</autn:database>
    </autn:hit>
 </responsedata>
</autnresponse>
```

For an example of how to obtain a list of the references returned by the Query action, see Obtain Response Data From an XML Document, below.

Obtain Response Data From an XML Document

The following example shows how to obtain a list of references returned by the Query action by selecting the reference of each hit in the ACI response

```
XmlNamespaceManager namespaces =
    new XmlNamespaceManager(response.Data.NameTable);
namespaces.AddNamespace(
    "autn", "http://schemas.autonomy.com/aci/");
XmlNodeList nodes = response.Data.SelectNodes(
    "/autnresponse/responsedata/autn:hit/autn:reference",
    namespaces);
foreach (XmlNode node in nodes)
{
    Console.WriteLine(node.InnerText);
}
```

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This chapter describes common ways to use the C-language IDOL SDK.

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C ACI Objects

The fundamental construct in the C IDOL SDK is the ACI object. ACI objects have the following types:

- Connection objects allow you to represent details of the ACI server.
- Command objects allow you to set details of the requests made to the server; for example, the server action and the parameters that it requires.
- Data objects allow you to access the HTML or XML reply to a server request as a plain text buffer
 (for later parsing or outputting to a browser, for example) or to parse and map XML replies to a
 linked list of ACI objects. The API provides functions for user-friendly accessing and
 manipulating the ACI object linked list.

ACI Object Structure

Each ACI object contains:

- a value indicating its type (Connection, Command or Data)
- a collection of key-value pairs used to store parameters and their values
- a link to a child ACI object
- a link to the next ACI object in the linked list (sibling object)

Create a Connection

You must create a connection object (type ACI_CONNECTION) to establish a connection with the server. You must set the server host details in this object before making a request. You can specify other connection settings, such as the number of times a connection to the server is attempted and fails before the request is abandoned. For an example of how to create connections, see Create a Connection Using the C-language IDOL SDK, below.

Create a Connection Using the C-language IDOL SDK

The following example shows how to create a connection object.

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```
// Create the connection object
t_aciObject* pConnection = NULL;
aciObjectCreate(&pConnection, ACI_CONNECTION);

// Set host details
aciObjectParamSetString(pConnection, ACI_HOSTNAME, "12.3.4.56");
aciObjectParamSetInt(pConnection, ACI_PORTNUMBER, 4001);
aciObjectParamSetInt(pConnection, ACI_CONN_RETRIES, 1);
```

Perform an Action

A command object (type ACI_COMMAND) stores information about the action that you want to run, as well as all the parameters that this action requires, such as:

- the type of HTTP request (GET/POST) that is made when the action runs.
- · security details for a data repository.

There is no limit to the number of parameters that can be stored, but there can only be one action.

Create an Action

The following example shows how to create a command object.

```
// Create the command object
t_aciObject* pCommand = NULL;
aciObjectCreate(&pCommand, ACI_COMMAND);
// Set command to execute
aciObjectParamSetString(pCommand, ACI_COM_COMMAND, "QUERY");
// Set http method
aciObjectParamSetBool(pCommand, ACI_COM_USE_POST,TRUE);
// Set action parameters
aciObjectParamSetString(
  pCommand, "Text", "Reducing heart attack risk");
aciObjectParamSetString(pCommand, "LanguageType", "English");
aciObjectParamSetBool(pCommand, "TotalResults", TRUE);
// Create security string
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(pCommand, "notes", ACI_SECURITY_USERNAME, "jbloggs");
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(
  pCommand, "notes", ACI_SECURITY_GROUP, "techusers");
```

Process a Response

There are two ways to execute the request, depending on how you want to process the response.

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Obtain and Process an Unparsed Response

The aciObjectExecuteToString function returns the server response as an unparsed data buffer:

```
char *szResponse = NULL;
int nResponseLen = 0;
char *szContentType = NULL;

aciObjectExecuteToString(pConnection, pCommand, &szResponse, &nResponseLen,
&szContentType);

// For most actions, szResponse now holds the raw xml and szContentType will be
"application/xml"

// Process the xml in whatever way you wish now (e.g. third-party XML processing API)

// Remember to tidy up afterwards
free(szResponse);
free(szContentType);
```

Obtain and Process a Parsed Response

The aciObjectExecute function returns a t_aciObject that holds a parsed representation of the XML, which you can manipulate by using the acio set of functions in the C IDOL SDK. For example if the XML returned was from the UserReadAgentList action and the following response was retrieved:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<autnresponse>
  <action>USERREADAGENTLIST</action>
  <response>SUCCESS</response>
  <responsedata>
  <maxagents>5</maxagents>
  <numagents>2</numagents>
  <agent>Housing</agent>
  <agent>Rock climbing</agent>
  </responsedata>
</authresponse>
Then you can obtain the list of agent names for the user as follows:
t_aciObject *pResult = NULL;
char **szAgentNames = NULL;
aciObjectExecute(pConnection, pCommand, &pResult);
if (aciObjectCheckforSuccess(pResult))
{
  // Successful request so find out how many agents this user has
  t_aciObject* pNumAgent = NULL;
  pNumAgent = acioFindFirstOccurrence(pResult, "numagents");
  if(pNumAgent)
```

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```
{
    int nNumAgents = 0;
    acioParamGetInt(pNumAgent, ACI_DATA_NODE_VALUE, &nNumAgents);
    if(nNumAgents > 0)
      // This user has agents, construct array to hold names and
      // retrieve agent names from response
      t_aciObject* pAgentName = NULL;
      int nAgent = 0;
      saAgentNames = (char**)malloc(sizeof(char*)*nNumAgents);
      // Find first agent entry
      pAgentName = acioFindFirstOccurrence(pResult, "agent");
      while(pAgentName)
        acioParamGetString(pAgentName, ACI_DATA_NODE_VALUE,
        &saAgentNames[nAgent]);
        // Move to next agent entry
        pAgentName = aciObjectNextEntry(pAgentName);
   }
 }
}
// Remember to tidy up afterwards
aciObjectDestroy(&pResult);
```

NOTE: Although it is imperative to free the memory that is associated with an ACI structure in C, you must not free the structure returned by the acioFindFirstOccurrence function.

Send Multipart Data

The following program provides a more detailed example that includes sending multipart data to a Media Server for processing. This example uses the aciObjectParamSetFile, on page 77 function to upload the source data and task configuration files.

To run this example program, you set four arguments at the command line.

```
program.exe host port filepath taskconfig
where,
```

- program is the name that you use for the executable file.
- host is the host name or IP address of the Media Server to send the action to.
- port is the port of the Media Server to send the action to.

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- *filepath* is the path to the source file to upload to the Media Server. This path is sent to the SourceData parameter in the Media Server Process action.
- *taskconfig* is the path to the task configuration file to upload to the Media Server. This value is sent to the Config parameter in the Media Server Process action.

For more information about the Media Server actions, refer to the *Media Server Administration Guide* and the *Media Server Reference*.

The example program runs the following steps:

- 1. Check the number of command-line parameters.
- Set up a connection to Media Server, using the host and port values provided.
- 3. Set up a command to Media Server, using the filepath and taskconfig values provided.
- 4. Send the request and print the response to stdout.

```
#include "client.h"
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
// Checks the value of an ACI error. If not successful, logs an error and jumps to
// next 'clean' label
#define CHECK_ACI_ERROR(_nAciError) if ((_nAciError) != ACICONTENT_SUCCESS) { \
   fprintf(
      stderr, "ACI Client failed at %s:%d: %s\n", __FILE__, __LINE__,
         acioGetErrorDescription( nAciError)
   nRet = _nAciError; \
  goto clean;\
}
int main(int argc, char** argv)
   int nRet = EXIT_SUCCESS;
   const char* szHostname = NULL;
   int nPort = 0;
   const char* szFilePath = NULL;
   t_aciObject* pConnection = NULL;
   t_aciObject* pCommand = NULL;
   char* szResult = NULL;
   int nBufferLength = 0;
   char* szContentType = NULL;
   const char* szTaskConfig = "task.cfg";
   // Always need to call aciInit at start of any program using ACI client lib
   aciInit();
   // 1. Checks number of command line parameters
   if (argc != 5)
```

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```
fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s HOST PORT FILEPATH TASKCONFIG\n", argv[0]);
      return -17;
   }
   szHostname = argv[1];
   nPort = atoi(argv[2]);
   szFilePath = argv[3];
   szTaskConfig = argv[4];
   // Setup connection
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectCreate(&pConnection, ACI_CONNECTION));
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectParamSetString(pConnection, ACI_HOSTNAME, szHostname));
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectParamSetInt (pConnection, ACI_PORTNUMBER, nPort));
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectParamSetInt (pConnection, ACI_CONN_RETRIES, 10));
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectParamSetInt (pConnection, ACI_CONN_TIMEOUT, 120000));
   CHECK ACI ERROR(
      aciObjectParamSetInt (pConnection, ACI_CONN_TIMEOUT_READ, 120000)
   );
   // Setup command
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectCreate(&pCommand, ACI_COMMAND));
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectParamSetBool (pCommand, ACI_COM_USE_POST, TRUE));
   CHECK ACI ERROR(
      aciObjectParamSetBool (pCommand, ACI_COM_USE_MULTIPART, TRUE)
   );
   CHECK ACI ERROR(
      aciObjectParamSetString (pCommand, ACI_COM_COMMAND, "process")
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectParamSetBool (pCommand, "synchronous", TRUE));
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectParamSetFile (pCommand, "SourceData", szFilePath));
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(aciObjectParamSetFile (pCommand, "Config", szTaskConfig));
   // Send command, get result, print result
   fprintf(stdout, "Sending process command for %s to %s:%d\n",
      szFilePath, szHostname, nPort);
   CHECK_ACI_ERROR(
      aciObjectExecuteToString(pConnection, pCommand, &szResult,
      &nBufferLength, &szContentType)
   );
   fprintf(stdout, "%s\n", szResult);
clean:
   free(szResult); szResult = NULL;
   free(szContentType); szContentType = NULL;
   aciObjectDestroy(&pCommand);
   aciObjectDestroy(&pConnection);
   // Always need to call aciShutDown at end of any program using ACI client lib
   aciShutDown();
```

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```
return nRet;
}
```

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Function Summary

The C-language functions can be divided into several categories as identified in the table below.

C-language functions

Function	Description	
Initialization and housekeeping		
aciInit	Initializes the ACI API.	
aciInitEncryption	Initializes the encryption keys to use for subsequent ACI connections.	
aciShutdown	Cleans up at the end of an ACI client session.	
aciObjectCreate	Creates an ACI object.	
aciObjectDestroy	Destroys an ACI object.	
aciObjectIsAlive	Determines whether the object is alive.	
aciObjectDeleteObject	Deletes a single ACI object.	
aciObjectGetVersion	Returns the version string of ACI client.	
aciClientFreeMemory	Frees memory allocated with ACI client.	
acioGetErrorDescription	Returns an error description.	
Execution		
aciObjectExecute	Executes an action.	
aciObjectExecuteToString	Executes an action to a string buffer.	
aciObjectCheckForSuccess	Determines whether the execution was successful.	
Access		
aciObjectParamSetString	Sets a string parameter in an object.	
aciOjbectParamSetStringN	Sets a string parameter with a length.	
aciObjectParamSetStringB	Sets a binary data parameter with a length.	
aciObjectParamSetFile	Sets a file parameter in an object.	
acioParamGetString	Gets a string parameter in an object.	
acioParamGetStringMoveOriginal	Gets a string parameter in, and removes it from, an object.	

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C-language functions, continued

Function	Description
aciObjectParamSetInt	Sets an integer parameter in an object.
acioParamGetInt	Gets an integer parameter in an object.
aciObjectParamSetUnsignedInt	Sets an unsigned integer parameter in an object.
acioParamGetUnsignedInt	Gets an unsigned integer parameter in an object.
aciObjectParamSetLong	Sets a long parameter in an object.
acioParamGetLong	Gets a long parameter in an object.
aciObjectParamSetBool	Sets a boolean parameter in an object.
acioParamGetBool	Gets a boolean parameter in an object.
aciObjectParamSetDouble	Sets a double parameter in an object.
acioParamGetDouble	Gets a double parameter in an object.
aciErrorStatusCreate	Creates an error status structure.
aciErrorStatusDestroy	Destroys an error status structure.
aciErrorStatusReset	Resets an error status structure.
aciResponseGetErrorStatus	Extracts error status information.
acioGetFirstVariable	Accesses the parameter list of an ACI object.
acioGetNextVariable	Accesses the next variable (parameter) in the list after the one passed in.
acioGetVariableName	Accesses the name of an ACI object variable.
acioGetVariableValue	Accesses the value of an ACI object variable.
Search and iteration	
aciObjectFirstEntry	Locates the first child entry of a result.
aciObjectNextEntry	Locates the next child entry of a result.
acioNextNamedEntry	Locates the next child entry of a result that matches the name.
aciObjectParentEntry	Returns a pointer to the parent entry of the object.
acioFindFirstOccurrence	Locates the first occurrence of a tag.
acioFindFirstOccurrenceFromRoot	Locates the first occurrence of a tag.

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Function	Description
acioFindFirstEnclosedOccurrence FromRoot	Locates the first occurrence of a tag from the object's immediate children.
aciObjectToString	Prints an ACI object.
acioGetTagValue	Obtains the value of a tag.
aciObjectGetTagValueWithDefault	Obtains the value of a tag.
acioGetValue	Obtains the content from an ACI object.
acioGetName	Obtains the name of an ACI object.
aciObjectToXMLString	Converts an ACI object to XML format.
aciObjectToXMLStringNoFormat	Converts an ACI object to XML without any formatting.
aciObjectAddAttribute	Adds an aciObjectVariable to the object's attribute linked list.
aciObjectAttributeGetNames	Populates an array of strings with the names of all the attributes of the XML tag represented by the object.
aciObjectAttributeGetNamesAnd ValuesNoCopy	Retrieves an array of attribute names and values of an ACI object.
acioAttributeGetValue	Gets the value of an attribute.
aciObjectResponseToStringArray	Returns all values of a tag in an ACI response object.
Security	
aciObjectSetSecurityKeys	Sets the security keys.
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo	Sets the user-level security for documents.

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Constants

The constants that are used in the C language SDK are outlined in the following table.

Constants used in C-language functions

Constant	Description	
ACI_COMMAND	Indicates that you want to create an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object. This constant is used by only the aciObjectCreate function.	
ACI_COM_COMMAND	Indicates that the specified parameter is an action command. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function on an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object.	
ACI_COM_USE_ POST	Indicates whether to use GET or POST when sending data to the server. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetBool function on an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object.	
ACI_CONNECTION	Indicates that you want to create an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object. This constant is used by only the aciObjectCreate function.	
ACI_CONN_ ENCRYPTION	Indicates whether to encrypt communications with the ACI server. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetBool function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object. (You must also specify an encryption type if you want to encrypt communications.)	
ACI_CONN_ ENCRYPTION_TYPE	Indicates that the specified parameter is the encryption type to use for communications with the ACI server. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_ ENCRYPTION_ TYPE_GSS	Sets the GSS encryption type with which to encrypt communications with the ACI server. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function that sets the ACI_CONN_ENCRYPTION_TYPE on an ACI_CONNECTION typ ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_ ENCRYPTION_ TYPE_TEA	Sets the TEA encryption type with which to encrypt communications with the ACI server. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function that sets the ACI_CONN_ENCRYPTION_TYPE on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONNECTION_ REALM_KEY	Sets the realm key of GSS encryption with which to encrypt communications with the ACI server. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object with ACI_CONN_ENCRYPTION_TYPE_GSS encryption type.	
ACI_CONNECTION_ SERVICE_KEY	Sets the service key of GSS encryption with which to encrypt communications with the ACI server. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object	

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Constant	Description	
	with ACI_CONN_ENCRYPTION_TYPE_GSS encryption type.	
ACI_CONN_ HTTPHEADER_ XFORWARDEDFOR	Sets the X-Forwarded-For HTTP header.	
ACI_CONN_ RETRIES	Indicates that the specified parameter is the number of times a connection is retried. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetInt function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_TCP_ RCVBUF	Sets the size of the socket receive buffer SO_RCVBUF.	
ACI_CONN_USE_ DEFLATE	Indicates that the specified parameter specifies whether to use deflate compression in HTTP requests. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetBool function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_ TIMEOUT	Indicates that the specified parameter is the timeout used in the connection. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetInt function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_ TIMEOUT_READ	Indicates that the specified parameter is the timeout for how long the connection waits to read data. If you do not set this constant, the connection uses the ACI_CONN_TIMEOUT value as the timeout for both the initial connect or send request phase and the retrieving data phase of the ACI request. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetInt function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_ TIMEOUT_READ_ ERROR	Indicates that the specified parameter specifies whether to use a separate error for connection timeouts at the read stage. You can use this parameter to return separate ACICONTENT_ERRORTIMEOUTREAD and ACICONTENT_ERRORTIMEOUT return codes. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetBool function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_USE_ SSL	Indicates that the specified parameter specifies whether to use HTTPS requests. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetBool function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_SSL_ CERTIFICATE	Indicates that the specified parameter gives the location on disk of the SSL certificate to be used for HTTPS requests. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_SSL_ PRIVATEKEY	Indicates that the specified parameter gives the location on disk of the SSL private key file matching the SSL certificate to be used for HTTPS requests. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_SSL_	Indicates that the specified parameter specifies whether to check that the	

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Constant	Description	
CHECKCOMMONNAME	CommonName (CN) attribute of the SSL certificate returned by the peer resolves to the same IP address of the hostname. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetBool function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_CONN_SSL_ CACERTIFICATE	Indicates that the specified parameter gives the location on disk of the SSL Certificate Authority (CA) certificate of a trusted authority to be used for HTTPS requests. Communication with a peer is only trusted if it provides a certificate signed by the specified CAs. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_DATA	Indicates that you want to create an ACI_DATA type ACI object. This constant is used by only the aciObjectCreate function.	
ACI_DATA_DATA	Indicates that the specified parameter is all data that the server has returned. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamGetString function on an ACI_DATA type ACI object.	
ACI_DATA_NODE_ NAME	Indicates that the specified parameter is the node name. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamGetString function on an ACI_DATA type ACI object.	
ACI_DATA_NODE_ VALUE	Indicates that the specified parameter is the node value. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamGetString function on an ACI_DATA type ACI object.	
ACI_HOSTNAME	Indicates that the specified parameter is the IP address (or name) of the ACI server. This constant is used by only the aciObjectParamSetString function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_PORTNUMBER	Indicates that the specified parameter is the port number that is used to communicate with the ACI server. This constant is only used by the aciObjectParamSetInt function on an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.	
ACI_SECURITY_ DOMAIN	Indicates that the specified value is a domain name. This constant is used by only the aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo function on an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object.	
ACI_SECURITY_ EXTENDED	Indicates that the specified value is the value for an additional field used for security in this repository. This constant is used by only the aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo function on an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object.	
ACI_SECURITY_ GROUP	Indicates that the specified value is a user group name. This constant is used by only the aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo function on an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object.	
ACI_SECURITY_ PASSWORD	Indicates that the specified value is a password. This constant is used by only	

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Constant	Description	
	the aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo function on an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object.	
ACI_SECURITY_ USERNAME	Indicates that the specified value is a user name. This constant is used by only the aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo function on an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object.	

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${\it aciClientFreeMemory}\\$

Call the aciClientFreeMemory function to free memory allocated with the ACI client.

Syntax

```
aciError aciClientFreeMemory(
   void** ppMem)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
ppMem	void** A pointer to the memory to free.	

Discussion

This function provides a mechanism to free arbitrary memory allocated from within the ACI client API.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciErrorStatusCreate

Call the aciErrorStatusCreate function to create an error status structure for aciResponseGetErrorStatus to use.

Syntax

aciError aciErrorStatusCreate(
 t_aciErrorStatus** ppErrorStatus)

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
ppErrorStatus	t_AciErrorStatus**	The ACI error status structure to create.

Discussion

This function creates the ACI error status structure. You must call this function before using aciResponseGetErrorStatus.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciErrorStatusDestroy

Call the aciErrorStatusDestroy function to destroy an error status structure created by aciErrorStatusCreate.

Syntax

```
aciError aciErrorStatusDestroy(
   t_aciErrorStatus **ppErrorStatus)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
ppErrorStatus	t_AciErrorStatus**	The ACI error status structure to destroy.

Discussion

This function destroys the ACI error status structure. You must call this function after using aciResponseGetErrorStatus.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciErrorStatusReset

Call the aciErrorStatusCreate function to reset an error status structure that the aciResponseGetErrorStatus uses.

Syntax

aciError aciErrorStatusReset(
 t_aciErrorStatus *pErrorStatus)

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pErrorStatus	t_AciErrorStatus*	The ACI error status structure to reset.

Discussion

This function resets the ACI error status structure.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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acilnit

Call the aciInit function to initialize the ACI API.

Syntax

void aciInit ()

Discussion

You must call this function at the beginning of an application.

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acilnitEncryption

Call the aciInitEncryption function to initialize the encryption keys to use for subsequent ACI connections.

Syntax

```
aciError aciInitEncryption (
   BOOL bOEMLicensed,
   char* szEncType,
   char* szTEAKeys)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
bOEMLicensed	BOOL One of the following values:
	• TRUE
	• FALSE
szEncType	char* The encryption type. Set this to TEA to use OEM encryption.
szTEAKeys	char* The TEA keys to use for OEM encryption.

Discussion

You must call this function at the beginning of an application when you want to use OEM encryption. If the application is OEM licensed, the API attempts to encrypt all requests.

For more information about using OEM encryption, see OEM Encryption, on page 121.

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acioAttributeGetValue

Call the acioAttributeGetValue function to get the value of an attribute.

Syntax

```
aciError acioAttributeGetValue(
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  const char* szAttribName,
  char** pszAttribValue)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to the ACI object whose attribute value you want to obtain.	
szAttributeName	char* The attribute name.	
pszNumAttribValue	char** A pointer to a string to store the attribute value.	

Discussion

This function gets the value of the specified attribute (returned in pszAttributeValue). It searches through the linked list pAttributeVars to find the entry which matches szAttribName.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectAddAttribute

Call the aciObjectAddAttribute function to add a new attribute to an ACI object.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectAddAttribute(
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  const char* szAttributeName,
  const char* szAttributeValue)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to the ACI object to add the attribute to.	
szAttributeName	const char* The attribute name.	
szAttributeValue	const char* The attribute value.	

Discussion

This function adds an aciObjectVariable to the object's attribute linked list.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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${\it aciObjectAttributeGetNames}$

Call the aciObjectAttributeGetNames function to get an array of the attributes of the current object.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectAttributeGetNames(
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  char*** paszAttribNames,
  int* pnNumAttributes)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to the ACI object whose attribute names you want to obtain.
paszAttributeNames	char*** A pointer to an array of strings to store the attribute names.
pnNumAttributes	int* A pointer to an integer to store the number of attributes.

Discussion

This function populates an array of strings with the names of all the attributes of the XML tag represented by the object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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${\bf aci Object Attribute Get Names And Values No Copy}$

Call the aciObjectAttributeGetNamesAndValuesNoCopy function to retrieve arrays of attribute names and values of an ACI object.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectAttributeGetNamesAndValuesNoCopy(
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   const char*** paszAttrNames,
   const char*** paszAttrValues,
   int* pnNumAttrs);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI object.
paszAttrNames	char*** A pointer to an array of strings containing the attribute names.
paszAttrValues	char*** A pointer to an array of strings containing the attribute values.
pnNumAttrs	int* A pointer to the number of attributes.

Discussion

This function populates the arrays with names and values of the attributes of the object pObject. The two arrays are allocated but the actual attribute names and values are not.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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${\it aciObjectCheckForSuccess}$

Call the aciObjectCheckForSuccess function to check whether an ACI server reply object contains a successful response entry.

Syntax

```
BOOL aciObjectCheckForSuccess (
    t_aciObject* pACIOResult)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pACIOResult	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI server reply object you want to check.	

Discussion

You can only call this function for an ACI_DATA type ACI object.

Returns

TRUE if this object is an ACI_DATA type ACI object and holds a response object with the value SUCCESS; otherwise it returns FALSE.

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aciObjectCreate

Call the aciObjectCreate function to create an ACI object.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectCreate (
   t_aciObject** ppObject,
   aciObjectType nType);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
ppObject	t_aci0bject** On return, the ACI object you created.	
nType	aciObjectType One of the following data type constants:	
	ACI_CONNECTION. A connection object.	
	ACI_COMMAND. A command object.	
	ACI_DATA. A data object.	

Discussion

This function creates and allocates memory for an ACI object of type nType. Typically, you do not create ACI_DATA type objects; call the aciObjectExecute function instead. For information about the aciObjectExecute function, see aciObjectExecute, on page 68.

Examples

```
aciObjectCreate(&pCommand, ACI_COMMAND);
aciObjectCreate(&pConnection, ACI_CONNECTION);
aciObjectCreate(&pResponse, ACI_DATA);
```

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aciObjectDeleteObject

Call the aciObjectDeleteObject function to delete a single ACI object.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectDeleteObject(
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   t_aciObject* pPrevious)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject*	The ACI object to delete.
pPrevious	<pre>t_aciObject* pObject.</pre>	ACI object (can be null if p0bject is first) in the linked list just before

Discussion

This function deletes a ACI object, rearranging the pointers from its parent or sibling, and freeing all its memory.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectDestroy

Call the aciObjectDestroy function to destroy an ACI object.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectDestroy (
   t_aciObject** ppObject);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
ppObject	t_aciObject** The ACI object to destroy.

Discussion

This function frees memory from the ACI object and all objects in its linked lists. This is a deep destroy.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectExecute

Call the aciObjectExecute function to run an ACI action.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectExecute (
   t_aciObject* pConnection,
   t_aciObject* pToExecute,
   t_aciObject** ppResult);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pConnection	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_CONNECTION object.	
pToExecute	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI object that contains the action.	
ppResult	t_aci0bject** An ACI object created by this function to hold the result.	

Discussion

This function opens the pConnection connection, run the action that is contained in the pToExecute ACI object, and then closes the connection. You can call this function only for a Connection type ACI object.

The output ppResult ACI object either contains the response in plain text or contains the top node of a tree structure, which represents the XML response.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectExecuteToString

Call the aciObjectExecuteToString function to run an ACI action to a string buffer, rather than to an ACI response object.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectExecuteToString(
   t_aciObject* pConnection,
   t_aciObject* pToExecute,
   char** pszResult,
   int* pnBufferLength,
   char** pszContentType);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pConnection	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_CONNECTION object.
pToExecute	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI object that contains the action.
pszResult	char** A pointer to the response string buffer.
pnBufferLength	int* A pointer to the length of the response string buffer.
pszContentType	char** A pointer to the string containing the value of the <i>Content-type</i> HTTP header field in the response.

Discussion

This function opens the pConnection connection, runs the action that is contained in the pToExecute ACI object, and then closes the connection. You can call this function only for a Connection type ACI object.

The response string buffer contains the body of the response.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectFirstEntry

Call the aciObjectFirstEntry function to locate the first child entry in a result.

Syntax

```
t_aciObject* aciObjectFirstEntry (
    t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	

Discussion

You can only call this function for an ACI_DATA type ACI object.

Returns

The first child entry or NULL if no child entry exists.

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${\it aciObjectGetTagValueWithDefault}$

Call the aciObjectGetTagValue function to obtain the value associated with the first occurrence of a tag.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectGetTagValueWithDefault (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szTagName,
   char** pszTagValue,
   char* szDefault)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA type object.
szTag	char* A pointer to the requested tag.
pszTagValue	char** The contents associated with the tag.
szDefault	char* A pointer to the default string.

Discussion

This function finds the first occurrence of the specified szTagName, extracts its character value and sets the pointer pszTagValue to the memory space (allocated by this function) where it stores the character value. If there is no tag with the specified name or if that tag does not contain character data, pszTagValue points to the szDefault string.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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${\it aciObjectGetVersion}$

Call the aciObjectGetVersion function to return the version string of the ACI client.

Syntax

char* aciObjectGetVersion()

Discussion

This function gets a human-readable string describing the version of the ACI Client API. Memory is allocated to the returned pointer and must be freed by the caller.

Returns

A string containing the version number.

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aciObjectIsAlive

Call the aciObjectIsAlive function to determine whether the ACI server is accessible.

Syntax

```
BOOL aciObjectIsAlive (
   t_aciObject* pACIOConnection)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_CONNECTION type object.	

Discussion

This function checks whether the ACI server is available and accessible. You can only call this function for an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.

Returns

TRUE if the ACI server is running; otherwise, it returns FALSE.

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aciObjectNextEntry

Call the aciObjectNextEntry function to locate the next child entry in a result.

Syntax

```
t_aciObject* aciObjectNextEntry (
    t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject*	A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.

Discussion

You can only call this function for an ACI_DATA type ACI object.

Returns

The next entry or NULL if the object is not found or no next entry exists.

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aciObjectParamSetBool

Call the aciObjectParamSetBool function to set the contents of a Boolean parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetBool (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szName,
   BOOL bValue)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
bValue	BOOL One of the following values:	
	• TRUE	
	• FALSE	

Discussion

This function adds the szName Boolean parameter with the specified bValue to the pObject.

Returns

An ACI error code.

Examples

```
aciObjectParamSetBool(pCommand,ACI_COM_USE_POST,TRUE);
aciObjectParamSetBool(pConnection, ACI_CONN_ENCRYPTION, TRUE);
```

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${\it aciObjectParamSetDouble}$

Call the aciObjectParamSetDouble function to set the contents of a double-precision floating point parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetDouble (
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  char* szName,
  double dValue,
  int nDecimalPlaces)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
dValue	double A double-precision floating point value.	
nDecimalPlaces	int The number of digits to preserve to the right of the decimal point.	

Discussion

This function adds the szName double parameter with the specified dValue to the pObject.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectParamSetFile

Call the aciObjectParamSetFile function to set a file parameter to the path to a file to upload. You can use this function for

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetFile(
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  const char * szName,
  const char * szFileName );
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to the ACI object.	
szName	char* The parameter name.	
szFileName	char* The path to the file to upload.	

Discussion

This function adds the file parameter szName with the file path szFileName to the ACI object pObject.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectParamSetInt

Call the aciObjectParamSetInt function to set the contents of an integer parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetInt(
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szName,
   int nValue)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
nValue	int An integer value.	

Discussion

This function adds the szName integer parameter with the specified nValue to the pObject.

Returns

An ACI error code.

Examples

```
aciObjectParamSetInt(pConnection, ACI_PORTNUMBER, 4001);
```

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aciObjectParamSetLong

Call the aciObjectParamSetLong function to set the contents of a long integer parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetLong (
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  char* szName,
  long lnValue);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
lnValue	long A long integer value.	

Discussion

This function adds the szName long parameter with the specified lnValue to the pObject.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectParamSetString

Call the aciObjectParamSetString function to set the contents of a string parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetString (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szName,
   char* szValue);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
szValue	char* A string value.	

Discussion

This function adds the szName string parameter with the specified szValue to the pObject.

Returns

An ACI error code.

Example

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${\it aciObjectParamSetStringB}$

Call the aciObjectParamSetStringB function to set the contents of a binary data parameter with a length.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetStringB (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   size_t nLength,
   const char *szName,
   const char *szValue);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to the ACI object.
nLength	<pre>size_t The number of bytes to copy from szValue.</pre>
szName	char* The parameter name.
szValue	char* The parameter value.

Discussion

This function adds the binary data parameter szName with nLength bytes copied from value szValue to the ACI object pObject.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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${\it aciObjectParamSetStringN}$

Call the aciObjectParamSetStringN function to set the contents of a string parameter with a length.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetStringN (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   int nLength
   const char *szName,
   const char *szValue);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to the ACI object.
nLength	int The length of the parameter value to set to.
szName	char* The parameter name.
szValue	char* The parameter value.

Discussion

This function adds the string parameter szName with the specific value szValue to the ACI object pObject. If the length of szValue is greater than nLength, only nLength bytes of it is set.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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${\it aciObjectParamSetUnsignedInt}$

Call the aciObjectParamSetUnsignedInt function to set the contents of an unsigned integer parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectParamSetUnsignedInt(
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  const char* szName,
  unsigned int nValue)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
nValue	unsigned int An unsigned integer value.	

Discussion

This function adds the szName unsigned integer parameter with the specified nValue to the pObject.

Returns

An ACI error code.

Examples

aciObjectParamSetUnsignedInt(pConnection, ACI_PORTNUMBER, 4001);

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aciObjectParentEntry

Call the aciObjectParentEntry function to return a pointer to the parent entry of the object.

Syntax

```
t_aciObject* aciObjectParentEntry(
    t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject*	A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.

Discussion

This function accesses the parent of the current object.

Returns

The parent ACI object.

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aciObjectResponseToStringArray

Call the aciObjectResponseToStringArray function to return all the values of a tag in an ACI response object.

Syntax

```
aciError aciObjectResponseToStringArray(
   t_aciObject *pResponse,
   char *szTagName,
   char *szNumberName,
   char ***paszValues,
   long *plnValues );
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pResponse	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI response object.
szTagName	char* The name of the tag values to retrieve.
szNumberName	char* The name of the tag, where available, giving the number of tag values to retrieve.
paszValues	char*** A pointer to an array of strings containing the tag values.
plnValues	long* A pointer to the number of values retreived.

Discussion

This function populates the array pointed to by paszValues with the values of the tags named szTagName. Memory is allocated for the array as well as the values.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectSetSecurityKeys

Call the aciObjectSetSecurityKeys function to specify the security keys for communication with an ACI server.

Syntax

```
aciObjectSetSecurityKeys (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   int nKey1,
   int nKey2,
   int nKey3,
   int nKey4)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_CONNECTION type object.
nKey1	int Value of the first security key.
nKey2	int Value of the second security key.
nKey3	int Value of the third security key.
nKey4	int Value of the fourth security key.

Discussion

This function sets the four security keys needed for secure communication with an ACI server. Enter the value of the first security key with nKey1, the value of the second security key with nKey2, and so on. You can call this function only for an ACI_CONNECTION type ACI object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo

Call the aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo function to set the user-level security for documents in a repository.

Syntax

```
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szRepository,
   char* szName,
   char* szValue)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_CONNECTION type object.
szRepository	char* A pointer to a repository.
szName	char* A pointer to a security field name, which is one of the following values:ACI_SECURITY_USERNAME. User name.
	ACI_SECURITY_PASSWORD. Password.
	ACI_SECURITY_GROUP. Group.
	ACI_SECURITY_DOMAIN. Domain.
	ACI_SECURITY_EXTENDED. Other information.
szValue	char* The value to associate with the security field.

Discussion

This function sets security information for a user, which is used to determine access to documents in an IDOL server. Enter the repository type with szRepository (this must match the name of the IDOL server configuration section in which you make the security settings for this type of repository). To enter the security information, set the security field with szName and the value for the field with szValue.

For information about the szValue arguments to set for various repositories, see Security Information Values, on page 115.

The information that you set with this function is encrypted and automatically added as the security string that is sent with an action to the ACI server. You do not need to set this parameter separately with a call to the aciObjectParamSetString function.

You can only call this function for an ACI_COMMAND type ACI object.

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Returns

An ACI error code.

Examples

```
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(pCommand, "netware",
    ACI_SECURITY_EXTENDED, "x");
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(pCommand, "nt",
    ACI_SECURITY_DOMAIN, "Office");
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(pCommand, "nt",
    ACI_SECURITY_GROUP, "techusers");
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(pCommand, "notes",
    ACI_SECURITY_PASSWORD, "pass1234");
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(pCommand, "notes",
    ACI_SECURITY_USERNAME, "jsmith");
```

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aciObjectToString

Call the ${\tt aciObjectToString}$ function to print an ACI object.

Syntax

```
void aciObjectToString (
    t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	on
pObject	t_aciObject*	A pointer to an ACI object.

Discussion

This function prints a string representation of the ACI object to the standard output.

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aciObjectToXMLString

 $Call\ the\ \verb"aciObjectToXMLString" function\ to\ convert\ an\ object\ into\ an\ XML-formatted\ string.$

Syntax

```
char* aciObjectToXMLString (
   t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	on
pObject	t_aciObject*	A pointer to an ACI object.

Returns

The ACI object as a string containing XML formatting.

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${\it aciObjectToXMLStringNoFormat}\\$

Call the aciObjectToXMLStringNoFormat function to convert an object into an XML string without newlines or tabs formatting.

Syntax

```
char* aciObjectToXMLStringNoFormat(
    t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI object.

Discussion

This function converts the XML beneath pObject and return it as XML without formatting the output with tabs or newlines.

Returns

A string.

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acioFindFirstEnclosedOccurrenceFromRoot

Call the acioFindFirstEnclosedOccurrenceFromRoot function to locate the first occurrence of the specified tag in an XML result from the immediate children.

Syntax

```
t_aciObject* acioFindFirstEnclosedOccurrenceFromRoot(
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   const char* szTag)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szTag	const char* A pointer to the requested tag.	

Discussion

This function finds the first occurrence of the specified szTag in the XML structure represented by pObject, searching only in pObject itself and its immediate child objects. It does not search pObject's siblings, nor its descendents beyond its immediate children.

You can only call this function for an ACI_DATA type ACI object.

Returns

A pointer to the tag's contents or NULL if the tag is not found.

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acioFindFirstOccurrence

Call the acioFindFirstOccurrence function to locate the first occurrence of the specified tag in an XML result.

Syntax

```
t_aciObject* acioFindFirstOccurrence (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szTag)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that is part of an XML result.	
szTag	char* A pointer to the requested tag.	

Discussion

The function finds the first occurrence of the specified szTag in the XML structure represented by pObject, using a *child first* search through the linked lists. You can call this function only for an ACI_DATA type object.

Returns

A pointer to the tag's contents or NULL if the tag is not found.

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acioFindFirstOccurrenceFromRoot

Call the acioFindFirstOccurrenceFromRoot function to locate the first occurrence of the specified tag in an XML result.

Syntax

```
t_aciObject* acioFindFirstOccurrenceFromRoot (
    t_aciObject* pObject,
    char* szTag)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that is part of an XML result.	
szTag	char* A pointer to the requested tag.	

Discussion

This function finds the first occurrence of the specified szTag in the XML structure represented by pObject, searching only in pObject itself and its child object tree. If it does not find the specified szTag, it does not search pObject siblings.

You can call this function only for an ACI_DATA type ACI object.

Returns

A pointer to the tag's contents or NULL if the tag is not found.

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${\bf acioGetErrorDescription}$

Call the acioGetErrorDescription function to return an error description.

Syntax

```
onst char* acioGetErrorDescription(
    aciError nError);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
nError	aciError An ACI error code.

Discussion

This function returns an error description of the error code nError.

Returns

An error description of the error code nError.

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acioGetFirstVariable

Call the acioGetFirstVariable function to access the parameter list of an ACI object.

Syntax

```
t_aciObjectVariable* acioGetFirstVariable(
    t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to the ACI object.

Discussion

This function accesses the parameter list of an ACI object. You cannot de-reference this pointer directly (the type is opaque), but you can can pass it to acioGetVariableName() or acioGetNextVariable().

Returns

An ACI object variable.

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acioGetName

Call the $\mbox{acioGetName}$ function to obtain the name of an ACI object.

Syntax

```
char* acioGetName (
   t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to the ACI object whose name you want to obtain.	

Returns

A pointer to the name of the ACI object.

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acioGetNextVariable

Call the acioGetNextVariable function to access the next variable (parameter) in the list after the one passed in.

Syntax

```
t_aciObjectVariable* acioGetNextVariable(
    t_aciObjectVariable* pVariable)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pVariable	t_aciObjectVariable*	A pointer to an ACI object variable.

Discussion

This function accesses the next variable (parameter) in the list after the one passed in.

Returns

An ACI object variable or NULL if this is the last parameter.

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acioGetTagValue

Call the acioGetTagValue function to obtain the value associated with the first occurrence of a tag.

Syntax

```
aciError acioGetTagValue (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szTagName,
   char** pszTagValue)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA type object.	
szTag	char* A pointer to the requested tag.	
pszTagValue	char** The contents associated with the tag.	

Discussion

This function finds the first occurrence of the specified szTagName, extracts its character value, and sets the pointer pszTagValue to the memory space (allocated by this function) where it stores the character value. If there is no tag with the specified name or if that tag does not contain character data, pszTagValue points to a NULL character.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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acioGetValue

Call the ${\tt acioGetValue}$ function to obtain the content from an ACI object.

Syntax

```
char* acioGetValue (
   t_aciObject* pObject)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	on
pObject	t_aciObject*	A pointer to an ACI object.

Returns

Returns the content associated with the object.

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acioGetVariableName

Call the acioGetVariableName function to access the name of an ACI object variable.

Syntax

```
const char* acioGetVariableName(
    t_aciObjectVariable* pVariable)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pVariable	t_aciObjectVariable*	A pointer to an ACI object variable.

Discussion

This function accesses the name of an ACI Object variable. The data is not duplicated, and must not be freed by the caller.

Returns

A string containing the variable name.

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acioGetVariableValue

Call the acioGetVariableValue function to access the value of an ACI object variable.

Syntax

```
const char* acioGetVariableValue(
   t_aciObjectVariable* pVariable)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pVariable	t_aciObjectVariable*	A pointer to an ACI object variable.

Discussion

This function accesses the value of an ACI Object variable. The data is not duplicated, and must not be freed by the caller.

Returns

A string containing the variable value.

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${\it acioNextNamedEntry}$

Call the acioNextNamedEntry function to locate the next child entry in a result that matches the name.

Syntax

```
t_aciObject* acioNextNamedEntry(
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   const char* szName)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	const char* The name of the tag to match.	

Discussion

Find the next entry in the same manner as acioNextEntry, but skip tags that do not match szName.

Returns

The next entry that matches or NULL if the object is not found or no next entry exists.

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acioParamGetBool

Call the acioParamGetBool function to obtain the contents of a Boolean parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError acioParamGetBool (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szName,
   BOOL *pbResult)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
pbResult	BOOL* A pointer to the parameter's content.	

Discussion

This function retrieves the specified szName boolean parameter from the object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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acioParamGetDouble

Call the acioParamGetDouble function to obtain the contents of a double-precision floating-point parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError acioParamGetDouble (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szName,
   double *pfResult)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
pfResult	double* A pointer to the parameter's content.	

Discussion

This function retrieves the specified szName double parameter from the object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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acioParamGetInt

Call the acioParamGetInt function to obtain the contents of an integer parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError acioParamGetInt (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szName,
   int *pnResult);
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
pnResult	int* A pointer to the parameter's content.	

Discussion

This function retrieves the specified szName integer parameter from the object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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acioParamGetLong

Call the acioParamGetLong function to obtain the contents of an long integer parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError acioParamGetLong (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szName,
   long *plnResult)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
plnResult	long* A pointer to the parameter's content.	

Discussion

This function retrieves the specified szName long parameter from the object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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acioParamGetString

Call the acioParamGetString function to obtain the contents of a string parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError acioParamGetString (
   t_aciObject* pObject,
   char* szName,
   char** szResult)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
szResult	char** Address of the parameter's content.	

Discussion

This function retrieves the specified szName string parameter from the object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

Examples

```
aciObjectParamGetString(pResult, ACI_DATA_DATA, &pcResults);
aciObjectParamGetString(pResult, ACI_DATA_NODE_NAME, &szNodeName);
aciObjectParamGetString(pResult, ACI_DATA_NODE_VALUE, &szNodeValue);
```

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${\bf acioParamGetStringMoveOriginal}$

Call the acioParamGetStringMoveOriginal function to obtain the contents of a string parameter and removes it from the ACI object.

Syntax

```
aciError acioParamGetStringMoveOriginal(
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  const char* szName,
  char** szResult)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aci0bject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
szResult	char** Address of the parameter's content.	

Discussion

This function retrieves the specified szName string parameter from the object and removes it from the ACI object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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${\it acioParamGetUnsignedInt}$

Call the acioParamGetUnsignedInt function to obtain the contents of an unsigned integer parameter.

Syntax

```
aciError acioParamGetUnsignedInt(
  t_aciObject* pObject,
  const char* szName,
  unsigned int *pnResult)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description	
pObject	t_aciObject* A pointer to an ACI_DATA object that contains an XML result.	
szName	char* A pointer to the parameter name.	
pnResult	int* A pointer to the parameter's content.	

Discussion

This function retrieves the specified szName unsigned integer parameter from the object.

Returns

An ACI error code.

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aciResponseGetErrorStatus

Call the aciResponseGetErrorStatus function to extract any error information from the response of an ACI server.

Syntax

```
aciError aciResponseGetErrorStatus(
   t_aciObject* pResult,
   t_aciErrorStatus* pError)
```

Arguments

Arguments	Type/Description
pResult	t_aci0bject* An ACI object that contains the result returned by an ACI server.
pError	t_aciErrorStatus* An ACI error status structure to hold the error information extracted.

Discussion

This function extracts any error information from an ACI object that contains the result of a response by an ACI server. It extracts this information to an ACI error status structure.

Returns

An ACI error code.

Example

```
t_aciErrorStatus* pErrorStatus = NULL;
aciErrorStatusCreate(&pErrorStatus);
aciResponseGetErrorStatus(pResult, pErrorStatus); if (
    pErrorStatus->eResponse != eResponseSuccess) {
    fprintf(stderr, "The error description is %s\n",
pErrorStatus->szErrorDescription);
}
aciErrorStatusDestroy(&pErrorStatus);
```

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aciShutdown

Call the aciShutdown function to clean up at the end of an ACI client session.

Syntax

void aciShutDown()

Discussion

This function must be called at the end of the ACI client session.

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Appendixes

This section includes the following appendixes:

- Security Information Values
- Error Codes
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Appendix A: Security Information Values

You must use the values detailed in the table below to enter security information for the following functions:

- The C function aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo.
- The Java function SetUserSecurityInfo.

The action parameters can be required or optional depending on the type of security that you implement. For each security type the required values are:

Security Information Values for Different Repositories

Security Type	Unmapped security	Mapped security
Documentum	user: Documentum user namepass: Documentum password	 user: Documentum user name group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
eRoom	N/A	 user: eRoom user name group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
Exchange	 user: Exchange user profile name domain: Exchange server domain name 	user: Exchange user namedomain: Exchange domain name
FileNet	N/A	 user: FileNET user name group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
iManage	N/A	 user: iManage user name group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
Lotus Notes	 user: Notes user name group: comma-separated list of groups that the user belongs to 	 user: Notes user name group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
Microsoft NT	user: NT user namepass: NT passworddomain: NT domain name	If your security type is AUTONOMY_ SECURITY_V4_NT_MAPPED: • user: NT_domain_name\user_name • group: NT_domain_name\group

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Security Information Values for Different Repositories, continued

Security Type	Unmapped security	Mapped security
		NOTE: The security string must be escaped.
		If your security type is AUTONOMY_ SECURITY_NT_MAPPED:
		user: NT user name
		domain: NT domain name
		group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
NetWare	user: NetWare user name	user: NetWare user name
	 pass: NetWare password 	domain: NewWare domain name
	domain: NetWare domain name	group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
ODBC	Dependent on the stored function/procedure	N/A
OpenText	user: OpenText user name	user: OpenText user name
	 pass: OpenText password 	group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
Oracle	Dependent on the stored function/procedure	N/A
PCDocs	N/A	user: PCDocs user name
		group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
SharePoint	N/A	user: SharePoint user name
		group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs
UNIX	N/A	user: UNIX user name
		group: comma-separated list of groups to which the user belongs

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Example:

```
t_aciObject* acioCommand = NULL;
aciObjectCreate(&acioCommand, ACI_COMMAND);
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(acioCommand, "nt", ACI_SECURITY_DOMAIN, "AUTONOMY");
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(acioCommand, "nt", ACI_SECURITY_GROUP, "Users");
aciObjectSetUserSecurityInfo(acioCommand, "nt", ACI_SECURITY_USERNAME, "johnsmith");
```

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Appendix B: Error Codes

The following error codes can be returned by functions that return an ACI error code.

0	SUCCESS	-8	Encoding error
-1	Bad parameter	-9	Parsing error
-2	Cannot connect	-10	Encryption error
-3	Memory allocation error	-11	Decryption error
-4	Not found	-12	Not implemented
-5	Invalid tag value	-13	Connection Timed Out
-6	Multipart error	-14	Read Timed Out
-7	File not found	-15	Unclassified error

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Appendix C: OEM Encryption

This section describes how to use OEM licensing with IDOL products.

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Overview

The OEM licensing scheme restricts access to IDOL by applying ACI encryption to all requests, so that only the OEM application, which knows the encryption keys, can communicate with IDOL. This enables Micro Focus to provide a single license with no host or port restrictions that the OEM can distribute with all copies of their software. Even though the OEM license can be used to start IDOL on any machine, end users (customers of the OEM) cannot abuse this license because they do not have the encryption keys required to communicate with IDOL.

Restrictions

- Unlike a standard License Server-based license, there are no host, IP, MAC address or port restrictions on the OEM license.
- ACI communication is possible only between the OEM application and the IDOL component, or between the IDOL components that share the OEM license. This is enforced by using ACI encryption.
- Index and service port actions are not restricted by any form of encryption.

Setting Up Licensing

All ACI communication actions sent to IDOL components in an OEM-licensed environment must be ACI encrypted. IDOL components access the licensekey.dat file to determine the encryption keys required to decode encrypted action.

NOTE: You must not use the CommsEncryptionType and CommsEncryptionTEAKeys (deprecated) configuration parameters to encrypt ACI communications because the key would be publicly available.

To set up licensing in an OEM environment

 Encrypt ACI communications between IDOL components and the front-end application by making the appropriate API call in your application and passing in the OEM encryption keys that

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```
were provided to you. For example:
In the C API, you could make the following call:
const char* szKeys = "MjR8CJCUGcb4RbRdNDKbK9RXX3pEswAiZ";
aciInitEncryption(TRUE, "TEA", szKeys);
where the value of szKeys is the encryption key provided with the license.
In the Java API, you could make the following call:
BteaEncryptionCodec encryptionCodec = new BteaEncryptionCodec(
    "MjR8CJCUGcb4RbRdNDKbK9RXX3pEswAiZ");
aciServerDetails.setEncryptionCodec(encryptionCodec);
```

Redistribute the licensekey.dat file with your application by copying it to the working directory
of each IDOL component. The IDOL components will then read the license from the
licensekey.dat instead of the [License] section of the component's configuration file.

The licensekey.dat file is generated by Micro Focus and provided to you along with your license.

• Unlike standard ACI encryption, the ACI responses from the IDOL component are not encrypted by default. You can optionally encrypt the response returned by an IDOL component by setting the EncryptResponse action parameter to **True** in the ACI action you run. However, in most cases Micro Focus recommends that you use SSL/TLS for secure communications.

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Glossary

A

ACI API

The programming interface for HPE IDOL products. You can use this interface to create custom applications that use ACI servers, such as the IDOL Content component. IDOL SDKs are available for several different programming languages to allow you to develop with the ACI API.

ACI Server

A server component that runs on the Autonomy Content Infrastructure (ACI). The ACI API controls communications with ACI servers.

action

A request that can be sent to ACI Servers, for example a query.

Autonomy Content Infrastructure (ACI)

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

C

connector

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

D

data index

An IDOL Server index that stores content data. You can customize how to store data in the Data index by configuring appropriate settings in the IDOL Server configuration file.

database

An IDOL Server data pool that stores indexed information. The administrator can set up one or more databases, and specifies how data is fed to the databases. By default contains the databases Profile, Agent, Activated, Deactivated, News and Archive.

I

IDOL SDK

DIOL Software Development Kit. A programming language-specific binding that allows you to develop applications that use the ACI API to communicate with ACI servers. HPE releases IDOL SDKs for C, Java, and .NET.

IDOL Server

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

IDX

A structured file format that can be indexed into IDOL Server. You can use a connector to import files into this format or you can manually create IDX files.

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indexing

The process of storing data in IDOL Server. IDOL Server stores data in different field types (such as, index, numeric and ordinary fields). It is important to store data in appropriate field types to ensure optimized performance.

Intellectual Asset Protection System (IAS)

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

Q

query

A string that you submit to IDOL Server, which analyzes the concept of the query and returns documents that are conceptually similar to it. You can submit queries to to perform several kinds of search, such as natural-language, Boolean, bracketed Boolean, and keyword.

X

XML

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

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