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Preface

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About this guide

This guide describes how to upgrade the Content Acquisition System and describes the major changes between versions.

Who should use this guide

This guide is intended for application developers who are building applications using the Endeca Content Acquisition System and are responsible for migration tasks.

Conventions used in this guide

This guide uses the following typographical conventions:

Code examples, inline references to code elements, file names, and user input are set in `monospace` font. In the case of long lines of code, or when inline monospace text occurs at the end of a line, the following symbol is used to show that the content continues on to the next line: `↵`

When copying and pasting such examples, ensure that any occurrences of the symbol and the corresponding line break are deleted and any remaining space is closed up.

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Chapter 1

Upgrading the Content Acquisition System

This section contains upgrade instructions that include backing up, uninstalling, installing, restoring backups, configuring, and testing.

Recommended reading

In addition to reading this document, Oracle recommends that you read the following documents.

Release Announcement

The Release Announcement provides a brief explanation of the new features that were added in CAS.

Release Notes

The Release Notes provide information about new features, changed features, and bug fixes for this release. After installation, release notes are also available in the following location:

- Windows: <install_path>\CAS\<version>\README.txt
- UNIX: <install_path>/CAS/<version>/README.txt

You can also download the release notes (`README.txt`) from the Oracle Technology Network.

CAS Quick Start Guide

The *Endeca CAS Quick Start Guide* provides high-level procedures to guide you through setting up and running CAS.

Migration path

CAS supports migrating from 11.0 to 11.1.

Skipping major releases is not supported

You must migrate the Content Acquisition System from one major release to the next major release without skipping releases in between. Upgrades from CAS 1.x, 2.x, and 3.1.1 or lower are not supported and not documented in this guide. To migrate from any previous releases, see the *CAS Migration Guide* for that release.

Variables in paths

To simplify path examples in this guide, some procedures use the variable `<old version>` to mean 11.0.

Upgrading CAS 11.0 to 11.1

This section describes migrating from CAS 11.0 to version 11.1. It describes how to back up the old version, uninstall the old version, install the new version, restore the backup, and configure the new version.

Backing up CAS 11.0

This procedure describes how to back up CAS configurations from 11.0 before upgrading. CAS configuration includes crawl configurations, Record Store configurations, Web crawler configuration, CAS extensions, and so on.

To back up CAS:

1. Retrieve and save your crawl configurations by doing the following:
 - a) Open a Command Prompt and navigate to `<install path>\CAS\<old version>\bin` on Windows or `<install path>/CAS/<old version>/bin` on UNIX.
 - b) Run `cas-cmd` and the `getAllCrawls` task. Specify a path to an XML file to store the crawl configurations.
The syntax for the `getAllCrawls` task is:


```
cas-cmd getAllCrawls [-f FileName.xml] [-h HostName] [-p PortNumber]
```

 (You later import this XML file to recreate your crawl configurations.)
2. If you created unmanaged Record Store instances or if you modified the configuration of a Record Store instance, retrieve and export these Record Store instances including configurations and contents by doing the following:
 - a) Open a Command Prompt and navigate to `<install path>\CAS\<old version>\bin` on Windows or `<install path>/CAS/<old version>/bin` on UNIX.
 - b) For each Record Store instance, run `recordstore-cmd` and the `get-configuration` task. Specify a path to an XML file for the Record Store instance configuration.
The syntax for the `get-configuration` task is:


```
recordstore-cmd get-configuration -a RecordStoreInstanceName -f ConfigurationFileName.xml [-h HostName] [-n] [-p PortNumber]
```
 - c) To migrate existing 11.0 data to 11.1, run `recordstore-cmd` and the `read-baseline` task for each Record Store instance. Specify a path to an XML file for the Record Store instance contents.
The syntax for the `read-baseline` task is:


```
recordstore-cmd read-baseline -a RecordStoreInstanceName -f RecordStoreOutputFileName.xml [-h HostName] [-p PortNumber]
```
3. Stop the Endeca CAS Service.
4. If you have any CAS plug-ins installed in `<install path>/CAS/<old version>/lib/cas-server-plugins`, copy the directory containing the plug-in JAR or JARs, to a location outside the CAS installation.



Note: Copy only your plug-in directory. You do not need to back up `<install path>/CAS/<old version>/lib/cas-server-plugins/cas`.

5. If you have any custom Web Crawler plug-ins installed in `<install path>/CAS/<old version>/lib/web-crawler/plugins`, copy the directory containing the JAR and `plugin.xml`, to a location outside the CAS installation.
6. If you made any changes to `<install path>/CAS/<old version>/bin/cas-service`, or `cas-service-wrapper.conf`, copy the files to a location outside the CAS installation. This is typically necessary if you customized the JVM settings that CAS uses.
7. Back up the `workspace` directory or leave it in place for the installation program to back up automatically.
 - On Windows, the CAS installation program automatically backs up and time stamps the `workspace` when you uninstall.
 - On UNIX, the CAS installation program automatically backs up and time stamps the `workspace` when you install.

The `workspace` directory contains CAS configuration files and state information such as `DocumentConversionFilters.xml`, logging configuration files, and so on.

Upgrading to CAS 11.1

To upgrade, uninstall the older version, and install 11.1 as described in this topic.

Be sure you have backed up all CAS configuration according to the previous task before performing this task.

To upgrade to CAS:

1. If you haven't already, upgrade to the latest versions of Oracle Endeca Platform Services and Oracle Endeca Tools and Frameworks. For details, see the *Platform Services Migration Guide* and the *Oracle Endeca Tools and Frameworks Migration Guide*.
2. Uninstall the older version of the Content Acquisition System.
 - On Windows, go to the Windows Control Panel, select **Programs and Features**, select **Endeca Content Acquisition System** and click **Remove**. (The Windows uninstall creates a time-stamped backup of `workspace` in CAS.)
 - On UNIX, run the following command to remove CAS Console:


```
CAS/<version>/console/configure_cas_console.sh --uninstall_console
```

 and then run the following `rm` command:


```
rm -rf CAS/<version>
```
3. Install CAS 11.1. For details, see the *CAS Installation Guide*.

Restoring a CAS 11.0 backup into CAS 11.1

To restore a CAS backup into CAS 11.1:

1. If you modified `<install path>\CAS\workspace\conf\DocumentConversionFilters.xml`, make the following changes:
 - a) Open the backed up copy of `DocumentConversionFilters.xml` in a text editor.
 - b) Copy your include and exclude filters from the backup.
 - c) Open `DocumentConversionFilters.xml` of your CAS 11.1 installation in a text editor and add the include and exclude filters.
 - d) Save and close `DocumentConversionFilters.xml`.

2. If you modified `<install path>\CAS\workspace\conf\jetty.xml` in 11.0, make the following changes:
 - a) Open the backed up copy of `jetty.xml` in a text editor.
 - b) Open the newer version of `jetty.xml` in a text editor.
 - c) Copy your specific customizations into the 11.1 version of `jetty.xml`.
 - d) Save and close the 11.1 version of `jetty.xml`.
3. If you had any CAS plug-ins installed in 11.0, copy the directory containing the plug-in JAR or JARs from the backup location to `<install path>/CAS/<version>/lib/cas-server-plugins`.
4. If a crawl configuration contains custom references to CAS version numbers, for example, in paths to output files, then modify the paths as appropriate, and save and close the crawl configuration.
5. Restart the Endeca CAS Service.
6. If you created unmanaged Record Store instances or if you modified the configuration of a Record Store instance in 11.0, import these Record Store instances including their configurations and contents into 11.1 by doing the following:
 - a) Open a Command Prompt and navigate to `<install path>\CAS<old version>\bin` on Windows or `<install path>/CAS/<old version>/bin` on UNIX.
 - b) Re-create each Record Store instance by running `component-manager-cmd` and the `create-component` task for each Record Store instance. The syntax for the `create-component` task is:


```
component-manager-cmd create-component -n RecordStoreInstanceName
-t RecordStore [-h HostName] [-p PortNumber]
```
 - c) For each Record Store instance, run `recordstore-cmd` and the `set-configuration` task. Specify the path to an XML file created during backup for the Record Store instance configuration. The syntax for the `set-configuration` task is:


```
recordstore-cmd set-configuration -a RecordStoreInstanceName
-f ConfigurationFileName.xml [-h HostName] [-n] [-p PortNumber]
```
 - d) To restore existing 11.0 data to 11.1, run `recordstore-cmd` and the `write` task for each Record Store instance. Specify the path to an XML file with the exported contents of the Record Store. The syntax for the `write` task is:


```
recordstore-cmd.bat write -a RecordStoreInstanceName
-f RecordStoreOutputFileName.xml [-h HostName] [-p PortNumber]
```
7. Import the backed up crawl configurations into 11.1 by doing the following:
 - a) Open a Command Prompt and navigate to `<install path>\CAS<old version>\bin` on Windows or `<install path>/CAS/<old version>/bin` on UNIX.
 - b) Run `cas-cmd` and the `createCrawls` task. Specify the path to the XML file you created in [Backing up CAS 11.0](#) on page 10. The syntax for the `createCrawls` task is:


```
cas-cmd createCrawls [-f FileName.xml] [-h HostName] [-p PortNumber]
```

You will be prompted for the password of any connector or data source that requires a password.
8. If you used any custom Web Crawler plug-ins installed in 11.0, copy the directory containing the plug-in JAR and `plugin.xml` from the backup location to `<install path>/CAS/11.0/lib/web-crawler/plugins`.
9. If you used the Web Crawler in 11.0, do the following:
 - a) Copy the older version of `default.xml` and `site.xml` from the `workspace` backup into the 11.0 `workspace\conf\web-crawler` locations.

- b) Open `default.xml` in a text editor and modify the path in the `plugin.folders` property to the 11.0 directory structure of `<install path>/CAS/11.1/lib/web-crawler/plugins`.

Upgrading CAS client applications that use the CAS APIs

If you are using the CAS WSDL client stubs provided with the Content Acquisition System, make any changes listed in the Required Changes chapter.

If you are using a WSDL tool to generate stubs, see "Generating client stubs for the CAS Web Services" in the *Endeca CAS API Guide*.

Updating the CAS Deployment Template Component

For *existing applications*, you must update the application with the latest version of the CAS Deployment Template Component. This update is necessary if you have already deployed an application and have CAS integrated into your Deployment Template environment.

To update the CAS Deployment Template Component:

Copy `casStubs.jar` from `<install path>\CAS\<version>\lib\cas-dt` into the `<installpath>/<appDir>/config/lib/java` directory of each application that uses CAS.

Updating the Forge pipeline and re-crawling data sources

This topic describes how to update your Forge pipeline and then re-crawl data sources, and process records with a baseline update when migrating from CAS 11.0.

To configure and test the upgrade:

In your Forge pipeline, modify the record adapters that read from a Record Store instance to use the newer JAR files. In particular, in the **Classpath** field of Java Properties, specify the path to `<install path>/CAS/11.1/lib/recordstore-forge-adapter/recordstore-forge-adapter-11.1.jar`.

You can re-crawl data sources as necessary. The back up task for CAS 11.0 includes the Record Store instances, so a baseline update may not be necessary unless the application requires an update.

Chapter 2

Required Changes

There are no required changes for this release.

SUSE deprecated

Support for the SUSE operating system has been deprecated for release 11.0.

