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Overview

Documanager Bridge version 3.x represents a very substantial upgrade to previous versions of the Bridge. Many new capabilities are available, and all of the capabilities you're familiar with have been re-implemented and extended. We hope you will find that Documanager Bridge 3 is much more powerful and flexible than earlier versions, and also simpler to use in many respects.

To upgrade to Documanager Bridge 3, you will need to substantially change your Documanager Bridge application. All of the rules, almost all of the INI options, and almost all of the names of attachment variables are different, and there are a number of new ways of doing things.

This guide is for Documanager Bridge application developers who have worked with Documanager Bridge 1.4 or Documanager Bridge 2.0. It alerts you to important areas that have changed, but it certainly doesn't cover everything in Documanager Bridge 3. You should familiarize yourself with the Documanager Bridge 3 documentation, starting with the General Reference, and with the Documanager Bridge 3 sample applications before attempting to upgrade to Documanager Bridge 3. If you have no experience with Documanager Bridges 1.4 or 2.0, you have no need for this Upgrade Guide. Proceed directly to the General Reference.

CAPABILITIES

Documanager Bridge version 3.x provides access to all of the Documanager features provided in earlier versions, plus Documanager features not previously available through the Documanager Bridge. These new areas include:

- Searching for Folders, Projects, Notes, or Diaries
- Retrieving and updating Document Annotations files
- Presenting the Properties of Folders, Projects, Notes, or Diaries
- Adding new Projects, Notes, or Diaries
- Updating Documents, Folders, Projects, Notes, or Diaries
- Updating Document contents files
- Deleting Documents, Folders, Projects, or Diaries
- Using Workflow, including managing Tasks, advancing Projects, and more

In addition to these new capabilities, Documanager Bridge 3 has been extended to new platforms. Both the server and client rules now run on Windows, Linux, AIX, and Solaris. Server rules or features of Server rules that use the Shuttle library are not available on non-Windows platforms. This is noted in the documentation where it applies.

Discontinued Facilities

Two facilities available in previous versions of the Documanager Bridge have been discontinued in Documanager Bridge 3 because it was found they received very little use. These are the remote debugging facility and the CGI tracker. These were for use in trouble-shooting and performance evaluation, and discontinuing them in no way diminishes the Documanager capabilities that can be accessed through Documanager Bridge 3.

CHANGED CONCEPTS

This section alerts you to some areas that are handled differently in Documanage Bridge 3 than in earlier versions of the Documanage Bridge. In addition to these changed concepts, Documanage Bridge 3 has some new concepts, such as Property Sets. Those are explained fully in the General Reference and the Rules Reference.

ReqTypes

Previous versions of Documanage Bridge had built-in required ReqTypes that had to be used for certain transactions. In Documanage Bridge 3, there are no built-in required ReqTypes, and you are completely free to formulate your own ReqTypes. However, you must configure some INI options to tell Documanage Bridge 3 what ReqTypes you've chosen for certain uses, such as reporting errors or redirecting to another transaction. See the description of the ReqTypes control group in "Configuring the Documanage Bridge", and the section "ReqTypes" in the Documanage Bridge General Reference for more information.

URLs

Previous versions of Documanage Bridge used URLs that were in a special format in which the order of the elements indicated their meaning. The Documanage Bridge constructed the URLs for you. For example, the following was the general form for the URL for returning a thumbnail image.

```
http://servername/scriptname
/po/cabinet/table/flevel/fid/docid/vers/page/T/name.ext
```

There was a special rule called POWProcessURL to interpret a URL like that shown above and to determine what built-in ReqType should be run.

Documanage Bridge 3 no longer uses any specialized URL schema, and does not have any rule like POWProcessURL. In Documanage Bridge 3, the Documanage Bridge application developer simply assembles the variables required for any particular ReqType into a standard request. For example, the following URL could be used in Documanage Bridge 3 to return a thumbnail image.

```
http://mydomain.com/doc-prog/dcltw32.exe
&ReqType=Thumb&CABINET=MyCab&DocID=52&DOC_VERS=1.0&Page=2&THUMBNAME
=/Mydoc_t3.jpg
```

Documanage Bridge 3 supplies some attachment variables, such as DOCSPEC, to make constructing URLs like the one shown here easy. These variables are explained more fully in "Attachment Variable Conventions" in the Documanage Bridge 3 Rules Reference.

For examples of constructing URLs for use with Documanage Bridge 3, see the examples for the rules DmgBrsPresentDocumentPage and DmgBrsQuery in the Documanage Bridge Rules Reference, and the sample Documanage Bridge applications.

The Client Implementation

Documanage Bridge 3 makes no assumptions about the language in which the IDS Client is implemented. It can be CGI, JSP, ASP, or any other suitable language. The variable `GEN_USINGASP` that earlier versions of the Documanage Bridge required is obsolete in Documanage Bridge 3, and the way URLs are formulated is the same for any client environment. If you are upgrading an ASP application, see the description of the attachment variable `COOKIE_DATE_FORMAT` for the rule `DmgBrValidateSession` and the associated INI option `[ValidateSession] CookieDateFormat`.

Queries

In previous versions of Documanage Bridge, the rule `POWHandleQuery` could be used to find a list of Documents meeting certain criteria. In Documanage Bridge 3, this capability is available through the rule `DmgBrQueryDocuments` and has been expanded. `DmgBrQueryDocuments` uses an improved SQL Builder facility, described below, provides more choices for formatting the output, and recognizes Full Text, Cabinet, and Extended Document Property filters.

In addition to `DmgBrQueryDocuments`, Documanage Bridge 3 also has the very powerful rule `DmgBrQuery`, which can be used to find Folders and their contents (Folders and Documents), or to navigate through the Folders and Documents in a Cabinet in much the same way that the Documanage Workstation does.

See the documentation for the rules `DmgBrQuery` and `DmgBrQueryDocuments` for more information.

SQL Builder

SQL Builder, the Documanage Bridge facility that builds SQL filters for you based on Properties and their values, has been expanded in Documanage Bridge 3. The “Does Not Equal” and “In” operators have been added, and all Property types are now supported. In addition to building filters for Extended Folder Properties and Basic Document Properties, SQL Builder will now build filters for Extended Document Properties and Basic Diary Properties, and it will build `OrderBy` clauses for Folders, Documents, and Diaries.

In addition to being expanded, SQL Builder has also been simplified. Instead of supplying the type and fully qualified database field name of a Property, you need supply only the name of the Property, and SQL Builder will automatically determine the type and fully qualified database field name.

The following table lists the `OT_DOCS` field names of Document Properties, required in earlier versions of the Documanage Bridge when building a Document filter, and their equivalent Property names in Documanage Bridge 3. Documanage Bridge 3 also supports some Document Properties in addition to those shown here. See “SQL Builder Syntax” in “Using the Documanage Bridge” for a complete description of SQL Builder in Documanage Bridge 3.

OT_DOCS Field Name	Bridge 3 Property Name
DocID	Id
Status	Status
RecordID	(not used in Documanage Bridge 3)
TableName	(not used in Documanage Bridge 3)
DocumentDate	Date
nVersion	MajorVersion
nSubVersion	MinorVersion
DueDate	DueDate
Type	FileType
Tag	Name
ObjectSubclass	SubCategory
ObjectClass	Category
Description	Description
Keyword1	Keyword1
Keyword2	Keyword2
UserFlag1	Flag1
UserFlag2	Flag2
AddedBy	Author
AddedFrom	AddedFrom
AddedOn	AddedOn
CheckedOutFor	CheckedOutFor
CheckedOutBy	CheckedOutBy
LastEditOn	LastEditedOn
LastEditBy	LastEditedBy
Volume	Volume

Security and Login

In previous versions of Documanage Bridge, the INI option [Security] UserLevelSecurity offered two choices: users' credentials could be authenticated with a login rule, or not.

In Documanage Bridge 3, the INI option [UserCredentials] Source offers the previous two choices, plus a third choice: the use of Trusted credentials. Choosing Trusted credentials allows "single sign on" through a web server or other source of authentication. See the INI option [UserCredentials] Source for more information.

The INI option [Security] AutoQueryOnLogin in previous versions of the Documanage Bridge offered two choices for the ReqType to which a user would be redirected after successful login: the built-in query ReqType, or the built-in welcome page ReqType. In Documanage Bridge 3, the Documanage Bridge application developer has complete freedom in determining where the user will be redirected after successful login. See the description of the rule DmgBrsLogin and of the INI option [ReqTypes] DestinationAfterLogin for more information.

In previous versions of Documanage Bridge, the rules POWInputSession, POWHandleSession, and POWOutputSession worked together to handle the Documanage Bridge cookie and security validation.

These three rules have been replaced in Documanage Bridge 3 with the single rule DmgBrsValidateSession. To turn off the use of cookies in Documanage Bridge 3, instead of removing the rules POWInputSession and POWOutputSession from your rules lists, simply configure the INI option [ValidateSession] UseCookies.

See "The Bridge Cookie" in "Creating a Bridge Application" in the General Reference and the description of the rules DmgBrcDumpFile and DmgBrsValidateSession in the rules reference for information on how to cause users to be logged out when they quit their browser in Documanage Bridge 3.

INI FILES

The names of the INI files have changed in Documanager Bridge 3, and you will find that there are a great many more options that can be configured for the Documanager Bridge server. However, you will probably find that you can ignore most of the options because their default values are probably already suitable for use in your application.

In Documanager Bridge 3, a control group is often named after the rule it affects. For example, the options that affect the rule DmgBrsPresentProject are in a control group called [PresentProject].

See “Configuring the Documanager Bridge” in the General Reference for a complete listing of all of the INI options for Documanager Bridge 3.

RULES

Previous versions of Documanager Bridge included approximately 30 rules. Reflecting its expanded features, Documanager Bridge 3 has approximately 70 rules. See the Documanager Bridge 3 Rules Reference for a description of all of the rules in Documanager Bridge 3.

The table below lists rules from previous versions of Documanager Bridge and the rule (or rules) in Documanager Bridge 3, if any, to accomplish the same purpose.

Old Rule	New Rule or Rules
DBGEncodeDebugPage	None. Remote debugging is discontinued in Documanager Bridge 3.
DBGProcessURL	None. Remote debugging is discontinued in Documanager Bridge 3.
FPRConvDCZFPPToXML	DmgBrsReturnConvertedDocument
GUTDumpFile	DmgBrcDumpFile
GUTFailure	None.
GUTLogAttachments	DmgBruLogAttachments
GUTPurgeFiles	DmgBruPurgeFiles
GUTSetUIConfig	DmgBrsValidateSession, reverse run
GUTSwapAttachments	DmgBrsCopyAttachment
POWAccessDocument	DmgBrsPresentDocument
POWAccessPage	DmgBrsPresentDocumentPage DmgBrsReturnDocument DmgBrsReturnConvertedDocument DmgBrsReturnDocumentPage DmgBrsReturnThumbnail
POWCreateFolder	DmgBrsCreateFolder
POWDMgDiagnostics	DmgBrsRunDocumanagerDiagnostic
POWEndCGITracker	None. CGITracker is discontinued in Documanager Bridge 3.
POWHandleLogin	DmgBrsLogin
POWHandleLogout	DmgBrsLogout
POWHandleQuery	DmgBrsQueryDocuments. See also DmgBrsQuery.
POWHandleSession	DmgBrsValidateSession
POWIdle	DmgBrsIdle
POWImportDocument	DmgBrsCreateDocument

Old Rule	New Rule or Rules
POWInit	DmgBrsInit
POWInputSession	DmgBrsValidateSession, forward run
POWOutputSession	DmgBrsValidateSession, reverse run
POWPostConversion	None. Functionality is handled by the reverse run of relevant rules: DmgBrsReturnDocument DmgBrsReturnConvertedDocument
POWProcessURL	None. Not needed in Documanager Bridge 3 because URLs are handled differently.
POWReceiveTempFile	DmgBrcReceiveTempFile
POWServerPaused	DmgBrsCheckPausedServer
POWSetupFolder	DmgBrsSetupFolder
POWStartCGITracker	None. CGITracker is discontinued in Documanager Bridge 3.
POWVersion	DmgBrcShowVersion DmgBrsShowVersions

