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# Preface

This document provides reference information on configuring Oracle Communications Service Controller signaling server units (SSUs) using the Administration Console.

## Audience

This document is intended for system administrators who are responsible for configuring Service Controller in their network.

This document assumes that the reader is already familiar with:

- Signaling System #7 (SS7) for SIGTRAN
- Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)
- Diameter protocol
- Short Message Peer-to-Peer (SMPP) protocol
- Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP)
- Representational state transfer (REST) protocol
- Java Management Extensions (JMX)

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# About Signaling Domain Configuration

This chapter provides an overview of Oracle Communications Service Controller Signaling Domain configuration.

## About the Signaling Domain

A Signaling Domain is a set of servers, known as Signaling Servers, on which you install Signaling Server Units (SSUs). Service Controller uses SSUs to communicate with a network.

Service Controller provides different types of SSUs. Each type supports a certain protocol that allows Service Controller to communicate with the following networks:

- SSU for SS7 networks in which traffic is carried out over SIGTRAN M3UA (["Configuring the SS7 Signaling Server Unit for SIGTRAN"](#) for more information on SIGTRAN SSUs configuration)
- SSU for SIP networks (see ["Configuring a SIP Signaling Server Unit"](#) for more information on SIP SSU configuration)
- SSU for Diameter networks (see ["Configuring a Diameter Signaling Server Unit"](#) for more information on Diameter SSU configuration)
- SSU for communicating with Short Message System Centers (SMSCs) through the SMPP protocol (see ["Configuring an SMPP Signaling Server Unit"](#) for more information)
- SSU for communication with external entities using SOAP or REST over HTTP (see ["Configuring the Web Services Signaling Server Unit"](#) for more information)

Depending on your specific requirements, you can group Signaling Servers into groups and dedicate each server group to a specific type of the SSU. In this case, each group of Signaling Servers provides access to a different network. Alternatively, you can deploy different SSUs—for example, SIP SSU and Diameter SSU—on Signaling Servers of the same group.

## About the Configuration Process

During the configuration process, you define how an SSU handles traffic received from a network and to which interworking modules the SSU forwards this traffic for further processing. In addition, you specify how an SSU sends traffic from interworking modules to a network.

You need to configure each SSU deployed in the domain separately.

You configure SSUs using the Administration Console, which provides a graphical user interface.

Each chapter of this guide is dedicated to a specific type of an SSU.

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# Configuring the SS7 Signaling Server Unit for SIGTRAN

This chapter describes how to configure an Oracle Communications Service Controller SS7 Signaling Server Unit (SSU) in a network in which SS7 traffic is carried over SIGTRAN M3UA.

## Accessing the SS7 SSU for SIGTRAN Configuration Pane

To access the SS7 SSU configuration pane:

1. In the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Select **SSU SS7 SIGTRAN**.

The SSU SS7 SIGTRAN configuration pane contains the tabs described in [Table 2–1](#).

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**Note:** You must configure the parameters exactly in the order they are presented in [Table 2–1](#).

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**Table 2–1** M3UA Configuration Tabs

Tab	Description
SSU SS7 SIGTRAN	Enables you to assign a point code to a Service Controller SSU and define the underlying SS7 stack. See " <a href="#">SSU SS7 SIGTRAN</a> " for more information.
M3UA	Enables you to configure the M3UA layers of the SS7 stack. See " <a href="#">M3UA</a> " for more information.
SCCP	Enables you to configure SCCP addresses: subsystems and global titling. See " <a href="#">SCCP</a> " for more information.
Routing	Enables you to define how the SS7 SSU routes incoming SS7 messages to internal Service Controller IMs. See " <a href="#">Routing</a> " for more information.
Monitoring	Enables you to configure Run-time MBeans and notifications for monitoring SS7 SSU for SIGTRAN. See " <a href="#">Monitoring</a> " for more information.

## SSU SS7 SIGTRAN

The SSU SS7 SIGTRAN tab enables you to assign a point code to a Service Controller SSU and configure the M3UA stack run-time options.

To access the SSU SS7 SIGTRAN tab:

- In the SSU SS7 SIGTRAN configuration pane, click the **SSU SS7 SIGTRAN** tab.

The **General** subtab contains the parameters described in [Table 2–2](#).

**Table 2–2 SS7 SSU SIGTRAN Parameters**

Name	Type	Description
Vendor	STRING	Specifies the SIGTRAN stack vendor. Possible options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ isigtran</li> </ul>
Standard	STRING	Specifies which standard to use to encode M3UA messages. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ANSI</li> <li>■ ETSI</li> </ul> Default value: ETSI
SS7 Stack IP	INT	The IP address where the SS7 process (that is, the SS7 stack wrapper) is running.
SS7 Stack Port	INT	The port that the SS7 process is using to listen to messages from the SS7 SSU. This is the same port you specify to the SS7 process, in the command line, when you start it. See "Starting and Stopping the SS7 Process" in <i>Service Controller System Administrator's Guide</i> .

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**Note:** After you specified or updated these parameters, you need to restart the managed servers to make the changes to take effect.

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## M3UA

The M3UA tab enables you to configure the M3UA layers of the SS7 stack.

To access the M3UA tab:

1. In the SSU SS7 configuration pane, click the **M3UA** tab.

The tab contains the following panes:

- List of existing managed servers. This pane is located on the left.
  - Subtabs with configuration parameters of the managed server selected in the left of existing managed servers. This pane is located on the right.
2. Do one of the following:
    - To add a new managed server, on the bottom of the list of existing managed servers, click **Add**. Then in the **New** dialog box, enter the name of the managed server and click **Apply**.
    - To configure M3UA for an existing managed server, in the list of existing managed servers, select the server for which you want to configure M3UA.

3. Select one of the subtabs described in [Table 2–3](#).

**Table 2–3 M3UA Subtabs**

Subtab	Description
Local Point Code	Enables you to specify a point code for each SSU instance. See " <a href="#">Local Point Code</a> " for more information.
Connectivity	Enables you to set up an IP connection between the Service Controller SSU instances and an SS7 network. See " <a href="#">Connectivity</a> " for more information.
Network Mapping	Enables you to define SCTP associations and connect SSUs to adjacent signaling points. See " <a href="#">Network Mapping</a> " for more information.
Network Routing	Enables you to configure routes to entities in an SS7 network. See " <a href="#">Network Routing</a> " for more information.

## Local Point Code

The Local Point Code subtab enables you to specify a point code of the SSU instance that you selected in the SSU Instance list, as described in [Table 2–4](#).

**Table 2–4 Point Code Field**

Name	Type	Description
Local Point Code	INT	Specifies a local point code of the SSU instance that you selected in the SSU Instance list. A value of the parameter must be integer.
Use Public When Outgoing	BOOL	Specifies if the public local point code for several SSU instances is used as local point code.
Public Point Code	INT	Specifies the public local point code for several SSU instances. When 'Use Public When Outgoing' is true, public point code will be used as local point code, Otherwise, local point code is used.

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**Note:** After you specified or updated this parameter, you need to restart the managed servers to make the changes to take effect.

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## Connectivity

The Connectivity subtab enables you to set up an IP connection between the Service Controller SSU instances and an SS7 network. You configure SSU instances as local systems and other SS7 network entities that are directly connected to the SSU instance as remote systems.

[Table 2–5](#) describes the subtabs on the SS7 SSU Connectivity subtab.

**Table 2–5 SS7 Connectivity Subtab**

Subtab	Description
Local System	Enables you to configure the SS7 SSU instance as a local M3UA system. See " <a href="#">Configuring the Local System</a> " for more information.

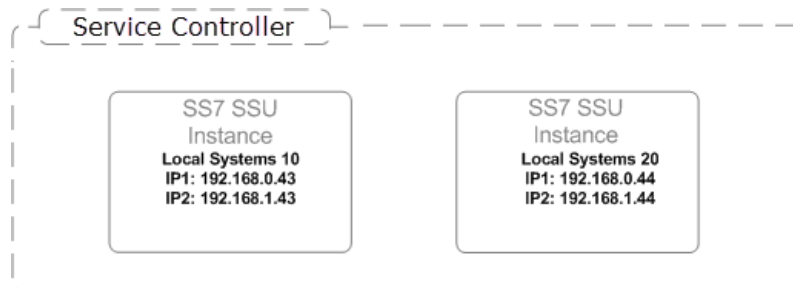
**Table 2–5 (Cont.) SS7 Connectivity Subtab**

Subtab	Description
Remote Systems	Enables you to configure network entities. See " <a href="#">Configuring Remote Systems</a> " for more information.

### Configuring the Local System

The Local System subtab enables you to configure the SS7 SSU instance as a local M3UA system.

[Figure 2–1](#) shows an example of configuration of the local systems components.

**Figure 2–1 Configuration Example: M3UA Local Systems**

The Local System subtab contains a table in which you configure one row that defines an SSU instance as a local system. When defining the SSU instance as a local system, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2–6](#).

**Table 2–6 Local Systems Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a descriptive name for the local system
Routing Context	INT (11)	Specifies a unique identifier that logically identifies a local system when communicating with a traditional SS7 network through a signaling gateway.  Routing Context can be set to any value between 0 and 2147483647.  Default value: 0.
SS7 Mode	STRING	Specifies an SS7 signaling mode that determines the type of SS7 traffic.  Possible options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ITU14: ITU operation with 14 bit Point Code</li> <li>■ ITU16: ITU operation with 16 bit Point Code</li> <li>■ ITU24: ITU operation with 24 bit Point Code</li> <li>■ ANSI: ANSI operation with 24 bit Point Code</li> </ul> Default value: ITU14

**Table 2–6 (Cont.) Local Systems Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Traffic Mode	STRING	<p>Specifies the traffic mode in which SSUs operate.</p> <p>Possible options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Loadshare (LS): SSU shares traffic distribution with any other currently active SSUs.</li> <li>■ Broadcast (BC): SSU receives the same messages as any other currently active SSUs</li> <li>■ Override (OR): SSU takes over all traffic in Service Controller (that is, primary/backup operation) overriding any currently active SSUs in Service Controller</li> </ul> <p>Default value: Loadshare (LS)</p>
IP Address1	STRING	<p>Specifies an SSU IP. The IP address must have the following format: n.n.n.n.</p> <p>Default value: 0.0.0.0</p>
IP Address2	STRING	<p>Specifies an alternative SSU IP address. This address is used when the address defined in the IP Address1 parameter is unreachable.</p> <p>The IP address must have the following format: n.n.n.n.</p>

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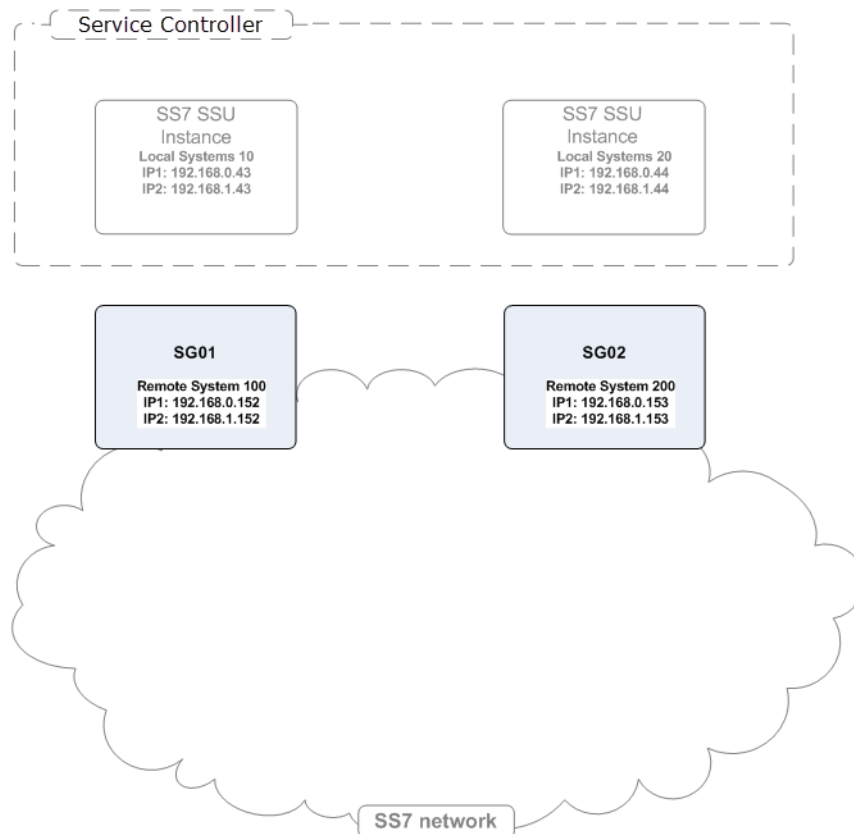
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### Configuring Remote Systems

The Remote Systems subtab enables you to configure other M3UA network entities to which the SSU instance is directly connected.

[Figure 2–2](#) shows an example of configuration of the remote systems components.

**Figure 2–2 Configuration Example: M3UA Remote Systems**

The Remote Systems subtab contains a table in which each row represents a single entity that acts as a remote system. When defining a remote system, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2–7](#).

**Table 2–7 Remote Systems Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique name for the Remote System
Type	STRING	Specifies the network entity type. The only available option is SG which stands for Signaling Gateway.
IP Address 1	STRING	Specifies a network entity IP address. The IP address must have the following format: n.n.n.n. Default value: 0.0.0.0.
IP Address 2	STRING	Specifies a network entity alternative IP address. This address is used when the address defined in the IP Address 1 parameter is unreachable. The IP address must have the following format: n.n.n.n.

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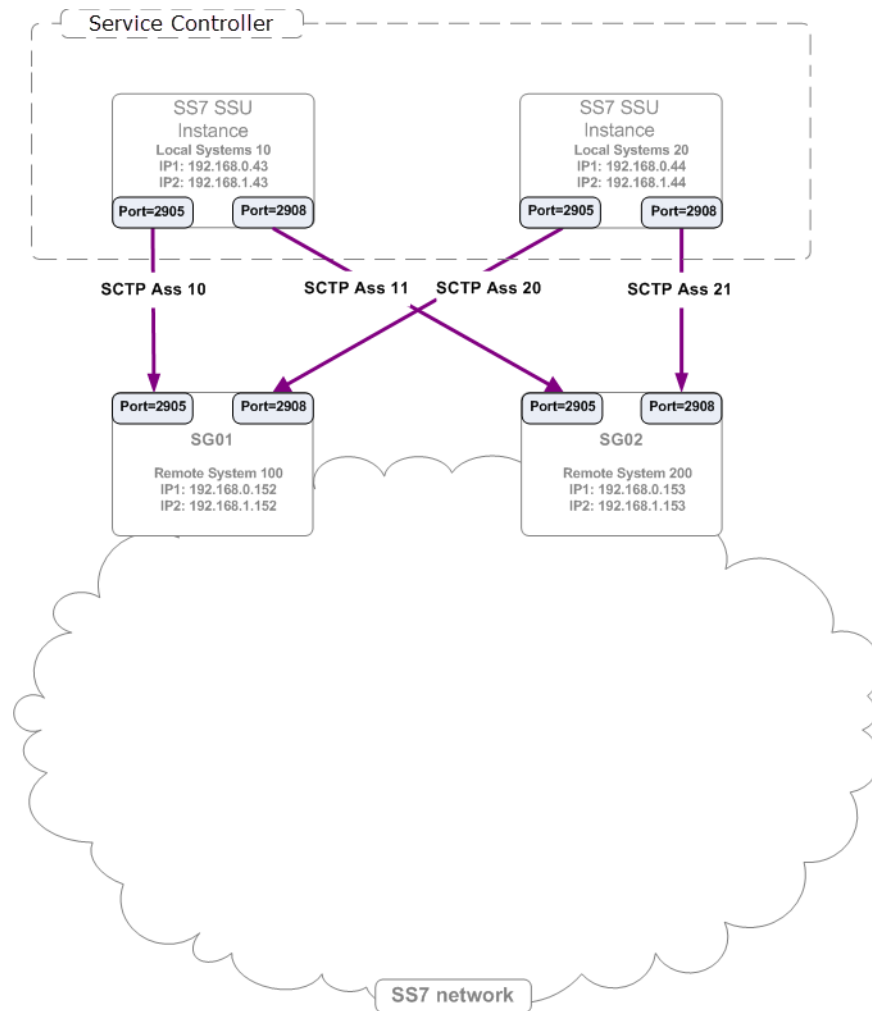


## Network Mapping

The Network Mapping subtab enables you to define SCTP associations that connect a local system (an SSU instance) to remote systems.

Figure 2–3 shows an example of configuration of SCTP associations.

**Figure 2–3 Configuration Example: M3UA SCTP Associations**



The SCTP Associations subtab contains a table in which each row represents a single association. When defining an SCTP association, you need to specify the fields described in Table 2–8.

**Table 2–8 SCTP Associations Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a descriptive name for the SCTP association

**Table 2–8 (Cont.) SCTP Associations Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Side	STRING	Specifies the mode in which the local side operates. Possible options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Client</li> <li>■ Server</li> </ul> Default value: Client. Setting this parameter requires coordination with the application on the remote side.
Type	STRING	Specifies the SIGTRAN mode. Set this parameter to M3UA.
Local Port	INT	Specifies an SCTP port on the local system side.
Remote Side	STRING	Specifies an entity on the association's network side. Select one of the remote systems that you have previously defined on the Remote Systems subtab in the Connectivity section. See " <a href="#">Configuring Remote Systems</a> " for more information about configuring remote systems.
Remote Port	INT	Specifies an SCTP port on the remote system side

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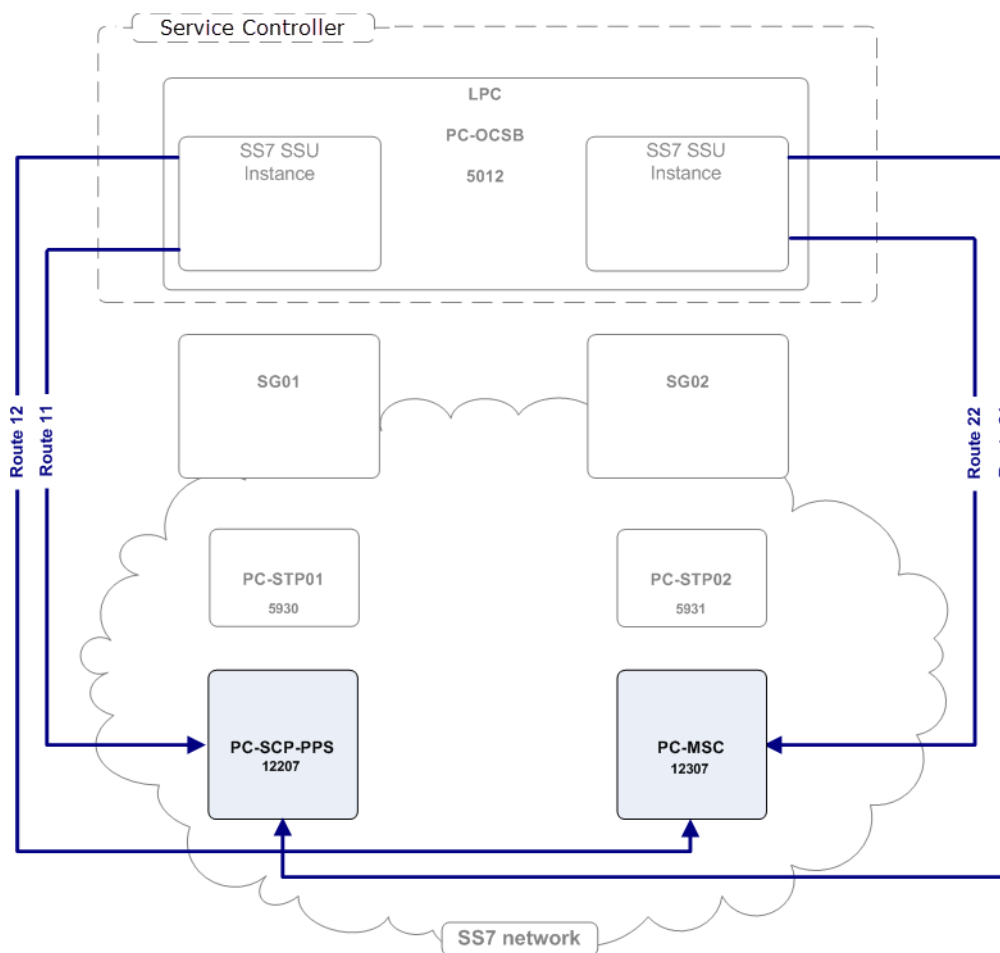
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## Network Routing

The Network Routing subtab enables you to configure routes to entities in an SS7 network.

[Figure 2–4](#) shows an example of configuration of M3UA routes.

**Figure 2–4 Configuration Example: M3UA Routes**

The M3UA Routes subtab contains a table in which each row represents a route. When defining a route, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2–9](#).

**Table 2–9 M3UA Routes Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a descriptive name for the route
Remote Point Code	INT (11)	Specifies an RPC that is available on the far end of the route. You can select one of the RPCs that you have previously defined on the Point Codes subtab in the Network Mapping section.
Primary Remote SIGTRAN System	STRING	Specifies the remote SIGTRAN system through which the SSU instance routes messages to the remote entity. Most likely, this is a Signaling Gateway.
Secondary Remote SIGTRAN System	STRING	Specifies an alternative SIGTRAN system through which the SSU instance routes messages to the remote entity

## SCCP

The SCCP tab enables you to configure SCCP addresses for:

- Service Controller modules
- Remote entities in an SS7 network.

To access the SCCP tab:

- In the SS7 SSU SIGTRAN configuration pane, click the SCCP tab.

The SCCP configuration screen contains the subtabs described in [Table 2–10](#).

**Table 2–10 SCCP Section Subtabs**

Subtab	Description
General	Enables you to specify parameters, which are common for all SCCP addresses. See <a href="#">"General"</a> for more information.
Local SSNs	Enables you to assign subsystem numbers for Service Controller module instances. See <a href="#">"Local SSNs"</a> for more information.
Local GTs	Enables you to configure Global Title addresses for Service Controller module instances. See <a href="#">"Local GTs"</a> for more information.
Remote PC and SSN Addresses	Enables you to configure addresses of remote entities in the SS7 network that can be reached using a point code and a subsystem number. See <a href="#">"Remote PC and SSN Addresses"</a> for more information.
Remote Fixed GTs	Enables you to configure addresses of remote entities in the SS7 network that can be reached using a fixed Global Title. See <a href="#">"Remote Fixed GTs"</a> for more information.
Remote Dynamic GTs	Enables you to configure addresses of remote entities in the SS7 network that can be reached using a dynamic Global Title. See <a href="#">"Remote Dynamic GTs"</a> for more information.
Global Title Routing	Enables you to configure addresses of network entities that perform Global Title Translation. See <a href="#">"Global Title Routing"</a> for more information.

## General

The General subtab enables you to specify parameters, which are common for all SCCP addresses. [Table 2–11](#) describes the parameter on the General subtab that you need to define.

**Table 2–11 General Parameter**

Name	Type	Description
Local Network Indicator	STRING	<p>Specifies the network type of an SSU address, which is common for all SSU local SCCP addresses.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Network</li> <li>International Network Extension</li> <li>National Network</li> <li>National Network Extension</li> </ul> <p>Default value: International Network</p> <p>The Local Network Indicator parameter of the M3UA stack is set to the same value as this parameter. However, because International Network Extension and National Network Extension are not supported in the M3UA stack, these two parameters are translated as follows in M3UA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Network Extension is translated to International Network</li> <li>National Network Extension is translated to National Network</li> </ul>
Remove Calling Party Point Code upon GT Routing	BOOL	<p>Specifies whether the local SSU point code is to be added to the calling party address, when routing is done with a Global Title.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>True: the local point code is not added to the calling party address</li> <li>False: the local point code is added to the calling party address</li> </ul>
Remove Called Party Point Code upon GT Routing	BOOL	<p>Specifies whether the remote point code is to be removed from the called party address, when routing is done with a Global Title.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>True: the remote point code is not added to the called party address</li> <li>False: the remote point code is added to the called party address</li> </ul>

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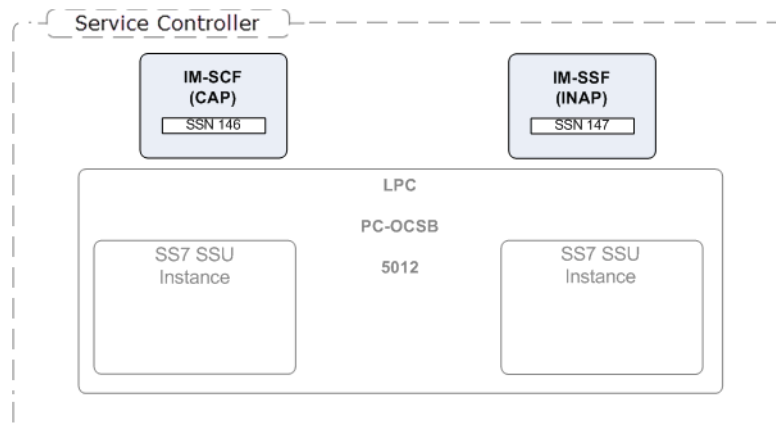
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## Local SSNs

The Local SSNs subtab enables you to assign Subsystem Numbers (SSNs) for Service Controller module instances. An SSU routes incoming messages to local subsystems based on these SSNs.

Figure 2–5 shows an example of configuration of local SSNs.

**Figure 2–5 Configuration Example: Local SSNs**

The Local SSNs subtab contains a table in which each row represents a single Service Controller subsystem. When configuring an SSN, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2–12](#).

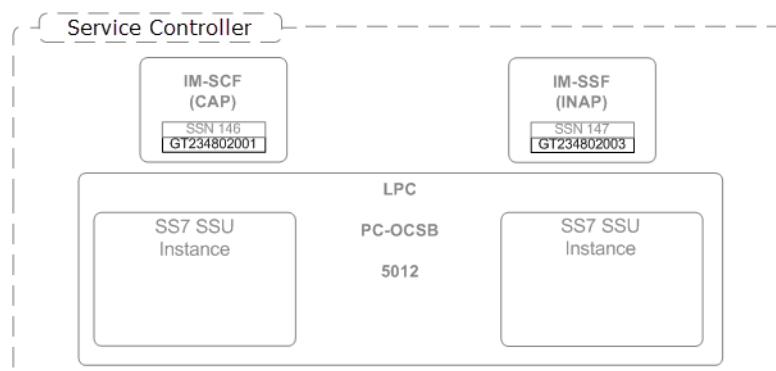
**Table 2–12 Local SSNs Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies the subsystem name
SSN	INT	Specifies the subsystem number. Default value: 0.
Description	STRING	Specifies a subsystem description
Alias	STRING	Specifies an alias name given to a Service Controller subsystem. Applications that use Service Controller to connect to the SS7 network, use this alias to refer the specific subsystem.

## Local GTs

The Local GTs subtab enables you to configure Global Title addresses for Service Controller module instances.

[Figure 2–6](#) shows an example of configuration of local GTs.

**Figure 2–6 Configuration Example: Local GT**

The Local GTs subtab contains a table in which each row represents a single address. When defining an address, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2–13](#).

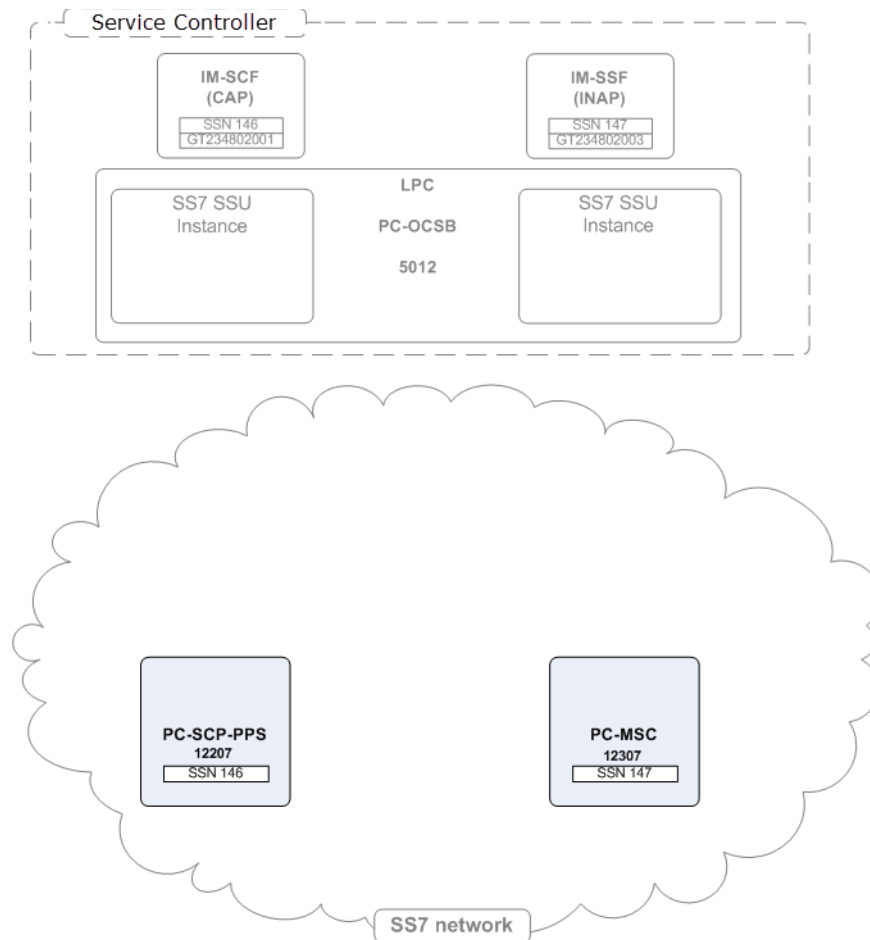
**Table 2–13 Local GTs Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique name
Description	STRING	Specifies a description for the Service Controller GT address.
GT Address	STRING	Specifies the Global Title Address part of the SCCP address
SSN	INT	Specifies the SSN part of the SCCP address that identifies the user function
GT Indicator	INT	Specifies the Global Title Indicator part of the GT.
GT Nature of Address	INT	Specifies the Nature of Address Indicator part of the GT
GT Numbering Plan	INT	Specifies the Numbering Plan part of the GT
GT Translation Type	INT	Specifies the Translation Type part of the SCCP address
Alias	STRING	Specifies an alias name given to a Service Controller subsystem. Applications that use Service Controller to connect to the SS7 network use this alias to refer the specific GT address.

## Remote PC and SSN Addresses

The Remote PC and SSN Addresses subtab enables you to configure addresses of remote entities in the SS7 network that can be reached using a point code and a subsystem number.

[Figure 2–7](#) shows an example of configuration of a remote point code and an SSN.

**Figure 2-7 Configuration Example: Remote PC and SSN**

The SS7 SSU distributes messages among different SS7 network entities that share the same alias using the weighted load strategy. This strategy determines a network entity that receives a message based on the weight that you assign to the entity. The weight determines a relative share of the traffic that the network entity should receive. For example, you defined two entities whose weight is 100 and 200 correspondingly. The network entity with the weight of 100 receives 1/3 of the traffic, while the network entity with the weight of 200 receives the remaining 2/3 of the traffic.

If a network entity fails, the SS7 SSU redistributes the traffic among remaining networking entities according to their weight.

You can define a network entity that receives traffic if other network entities whose weight is greater than zero, fail. This entity is known as secondary network entity, and its weight is always zero. If in the example above, you add one more entity whose weight is set to zero, the SS7 SSU sends messages to this network entity only if the network entities whose weight is set to 100 and 200 correspondingly, fail.

If you define multiple network entities with secondary priority, the SS7 SSU distributes traffic equally among them.

The weighted load strategy enables you to control the traffic distribution depending on capabilities of network entities. For example, if a network entity runs a more powerful server, this entity can serve more traffic, then you would set its load weight relatively higher.



The Remote PC and SSN Addresses subtab contains a table in which each row represents a single SS7 network entity. When configuring a network entity, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2-14](#).

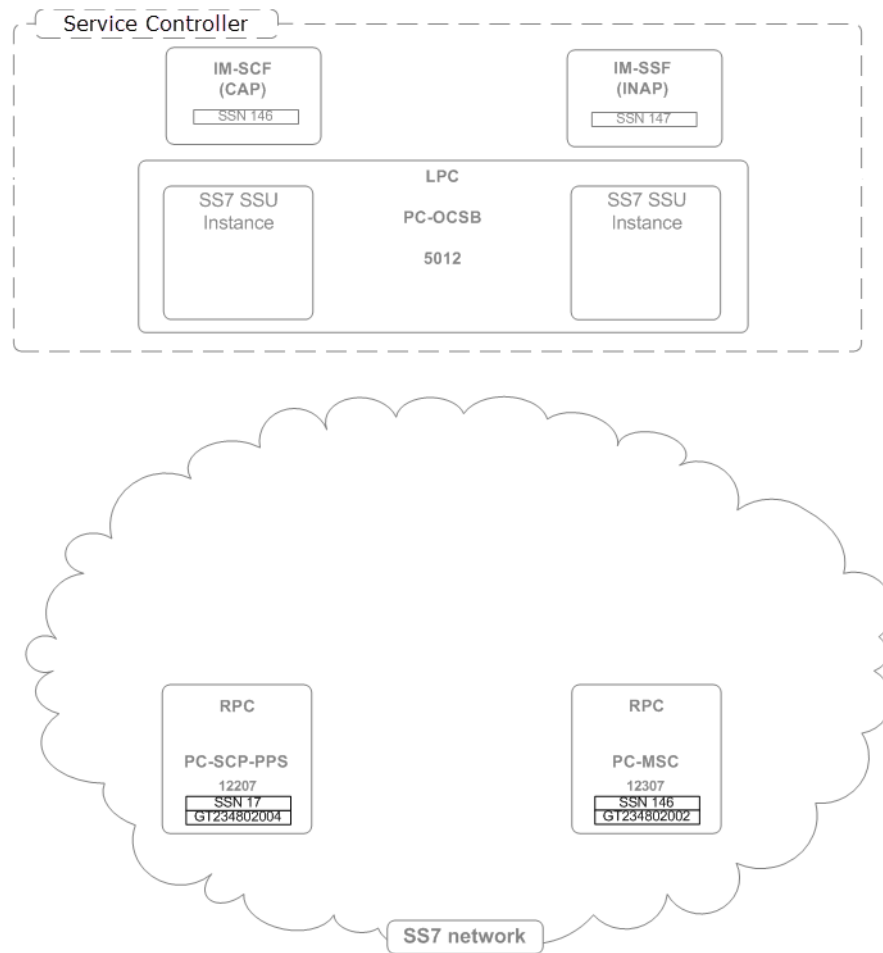
**Table 2-14 Remote PC and SSN Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique name
Network Indicator	STRING	Specifies the network type. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Network</li> <li>National Network</li> </ul> Default value: International Network
SSN	INT	Specifies the SSN part of the SCCP address that identifies the user function.
Point Code	INT	Specifies the point code part of the SCCP address.
Description	STRING	Specifies a description for the remote SS7 network entity.
Alias	STRING	Specifies an alias name given to a remote network entity. Applications that use Service Controller to connect to the SS7 network use this alias to refer the specific network entity.
Weight	STRING	Specifies the relative load weight for the network entity. Default value: 0

## Remote Fixed GTs

The Remote Fixed GTs subtab enables you to configure addresses of remote entities in the SS7 network that can be reached using a fixed Global Title.

[Figure 2-8](#) shows an example of configuration of remote fixed GTs.

**Figure 2–8 Configuration Example: Remote Fixed GTs**

The SS7 SSU distributes messages among different SS7 network entities that share the same alias using the weighted load strategy. This strategy determines a network entity that receives a message based on the weight that you assign to the entity. The weight determines a relative share of the traffic that the network entity should receive. For example, you defined two entities whose weight is 100 and 200 correspondingly. The network entity with the weight of 100 receives 1/3 of the traffic, while the network entity with the weight of 200 receives the remaining 2/3 of the traffic.

If a network entity fails, the SS7 SSU redistributes the traffic among remaining networking entities according to their weight.

You can define a network entity that receives traffic if other network entities whose weight is greater than zero, fail. This entity is known as secondary network entity, and its weight is always zero. If in the example above, you add one more entity whose weight is set to zero, the SS7 SSU sends messages to this network entity only if the network entities whose weight is set to 100 and 200 correspondingly, fail.

If you define multiple network entities with secondary priority, the SS7 SSU distributes traffic equally among them.

The weighted load strategy allows you to control the traffic distribution depending on capabilities of network entities. For example, if a network entity runs a more powerful server, this entity can serve more traffic, then you would set its load weight relatively higher.

The Remote Fixed GTs subtab contains a table in which each row represents a single SS7 network entity. When configuring a network entity, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2–15](#).

**Table 2–15 Remote Fixed GTs Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique name
Network Indicator	STRING	Specifies the network type. Possible options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Network</li> <li>National Network</li> </ul> Default option: International Network
Description	STRING	Specifies a description for the network entity and its address
GT Address	STRING	Specifies the Global Title Address part of the SCCP address
Primary Point Code	INT	Optional: specifies the point code part of the SCCP address. When specified, the SSU routes messages to the specified point code, including a GT address.
Secondary Point Code	INT	Optional: specifies the point code part of the other SCCP address. This is used for the other STP of a pair of STPs.
Operation Mode	STRING	Optional; Specifies the operation mode. Possible options: BLANK, LOAD_SHARING, PRIMARY_SECONDARY, default option: BLANK. If Primary Point Code and Secondary Point Code are all specified, Operation Mode should be specified as LOAD_SHARING or PRIMARY_SECONDARY. If Only Primary Point Code is specified or none is specified, Operation Mode should be BLANK.
SSN	INT	Specifies the SSN part of the SCCP address that identifies the user function
GT Indicator	INT	Specifies the Global Title Indicator part of the GT
GT Nature of Address	INT	Specifies the Nature of Address Indicator part of the GT
GT Numbering Plan	INT	Specifies the Numbering Plan part of the GT.
GT Translation Type	INT	Specifies the Translation Type part of the SCCP address
Weight	STRING	Specifies the relative load weight for the network entity. Default value: 0

## Remote Dynamic GTs

The Remote Dynamic GTs subtab enables you to configure addresses of remote entities in the SS7 network that can be reached using a dynamic Global Title.

The SS7 SSU distributes messages among different SS7 network entities that share the same alias using the weighted load strategy. This strategy determines a network entity that receives a message based on the weight that you assign to the entity. The weight determines a relative share of the traffic that the network entity should receive. For example, you defined two entities whose weight is 100 and 200 correspondingly. The network entity with the weight of 100 receives 1/3 of the traffic, while the network entity with the weight of 200 receives the remaining 2/3 of the traffic.

If a network entity fails, the SS7 SSU redistributes the traffic among remaining networking entities according to their weight.

You can define a network entity that receives traffic if other network entities whose weight is greater than zero, fail. This entity is known as secondary network entity, and its weight is always zero. If in the example above, you add one more entity whose weight is set to zero, the SS7 SSU sends messages to this network entity only if the network entities whose weight is set to 100 and 200 correspondingly, fail.

If you define multiple network entities with secondary priority, the SS7 SSU distributes traffic equally among them.

The weighted load strategy enables you to control the traffic distribution depending on capabilities of network entities. For example, if a network entity runs a more powerful server, this entity can serve more traffic, then you would set its load weight relatively higher.

The Remote Dynamic GTs subtab contains a table in which each row represents a single SCCP address. When configuring an SCCP address, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2–16](#).

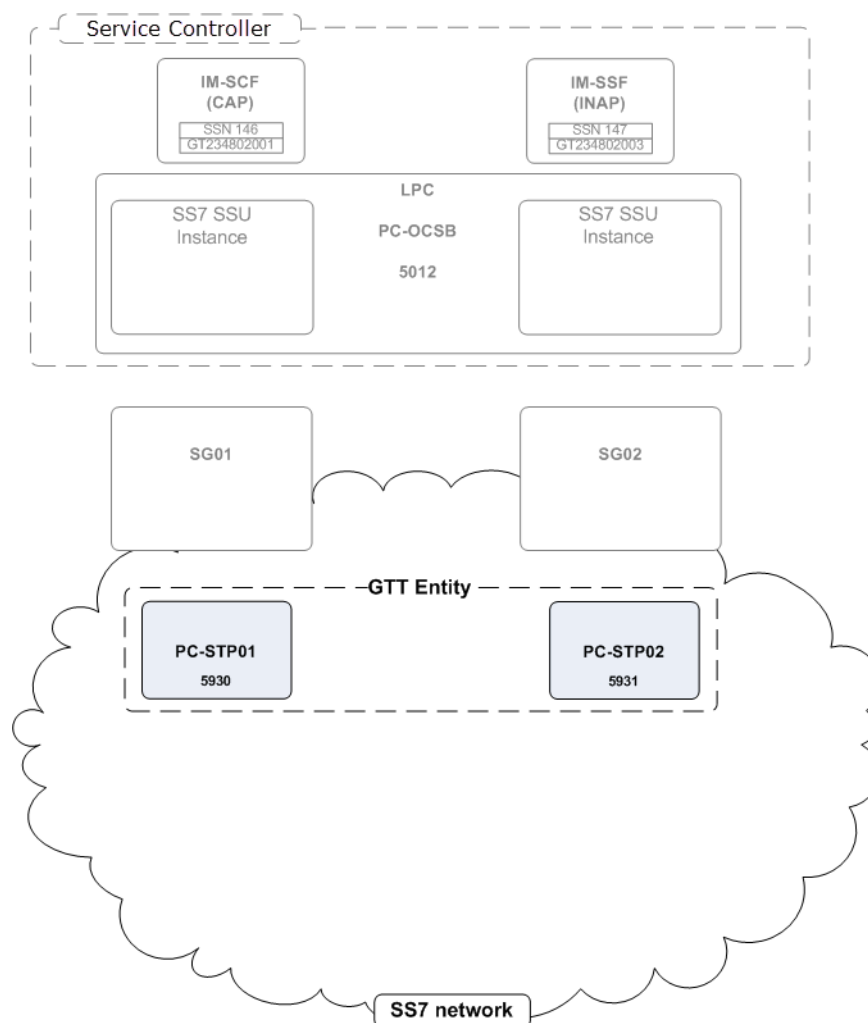
**Table 2–16 Remote Dynamic GTs Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique name
Network Indicator	STRING	Specifies the network type. The following options are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Network</li> <li>National Network</li> </ul> Default value: International Network
Description	STRING	Specifies a description for the dynamic GT address
Point Code	INT	Optional: specifies the point code part of the SCCP address. When specified, the SSU routes messages to the specified point code, including a GT address.
SSN	INT	Specifies the SSN part of the SCCP address that identifies the user function
GT Indicator	INT	Specifies the Global Title Indicator part of the GT
GT Nature of Address	INT	Specifies the Nature of Address Indicator part of the GT
GT Numbering Plan	INT	Specifies the Numbering Plan part of the GT.
GT Translation Type	INT	Specifies the Translation Type part of the SCCP address
Alias	STRING	Specifies an alias name given to an SCCP address. Applications that use Service Controller to connect to the SS7 network use this alias when they want route messages using this address.
Weight	STRING	Specifies the relative load weight for the network entity. Default value: 0

## Global Title Routing

The Global Title Routing subtab enables you to configure addresses of network entities that perform Global Title Translation. Typically these point codes are Signal Transfer Points (STPs).

[Figure 2–9](#) shows an example of configuration of point codes.

**Figure 2–9 Configuration Example: Global Title Routing**

The Global Title Routing subtab contains a table in which each row represents a point code that performs GTT. When defining a point code that performs GTT, you need to specify the fields described in [Table 2–17](#).

**Table 2–17 Global Title Routing Parameters**

Name	Type	Description
Primary GTT Point Code	INT	Specifies a primary remote point code that performs GTT.
Secondary GTT Point Code	INT	Specifies an alternative remote point code that performs GTT.
Operation Mode	STRING	<p>Specifies the mode in which the primary and secondary remote point codes operate.</p> <p>The following options are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LOAD_SHARING: sends messages to both primary and secondary point codes in a load sharing mode.</li> <li>PRIMARY_SECONDARY: sends messages to the primary point code. If the primary point code is not available, the SSU routes messages to the secondary point code.</li> </ul> <p>Default value: PRIMARY_SECONDARY</p>

## Routing

The Routing tab enables you to define an IM to which the SS7 SSU routes an incoming session by specifying a set of parameters known as incoming routing rule. For each incoming routing rule, you need to configure the following parameters:

- IM to which the SS7 SSU routes an incoming session
- Criteria that an incoming session must meet to be routed to this IM
- Priority in which the SS7 SSU checks incoming routing rules to evaluate whether an incoming session fits the criteria defined in a rule. The SS7 SSU applies the first found rule which criteria are met by an incoming session.

For example, if you created multiple rules for the same IM, SS7 SSU begins with the rule that has the highest priority. If an incoming session fits the criteria defined in this rule, the SS7 SSU applies the rule and do not check the rest of the rules. Otherwise, the SS7 SSU checks whether an incoming session fits the criteria of a rule with a lower priority. The SS7 SSU performs this check until the SS7 SSU finds a rule whose criteria are met by an incoming session.

You can define incoming routing rules using the Routing tab. The process of defining an incoming routing rule consists of the following steps:

1. You create a rule and define its name, priority, and an IM for which you create this rule. You perform these actions using the Incoming Routing Rules subtab.
2. You define criteria for each rule that you created on step 1.

### Accessing the Routing Tab

The Routing tab enables you to define rules for routing incoming sessions to IMs.

To access the Routing tab:

1. In the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Select **SSU SS7 SIGTRAN**.
4. Click the **Routing** tab.

This tab contains the following:

- List of existing routing rules. This pane is located on the left.
  - Subtabs with configuration parameters of the routing rule selected in the left pane of existing routing rules. This pane is located on the right.
5. Do one of the following:
    - To create a routing rule, on the bottom of the list of existing routing rules, click **Add**. Then in the **New** dialog box, enter the name of the new routing rule and click **Apply**.
    - To configure an existing routing rule, in the list of existing routing rules, select the rule that you want to configure.
  6. Select one of the subtabs described in [Table 2–18](#).

**Table 2–18 Routing Subtabs**

Subtab	Description
Incoming Routing Rules	Enables you to define a name, priority, and an IM for which you create a rule.  See " <a href="#">Configuring Incoming Routing Rules Parameters</a> " for more information.
Incoming Routing Criteria	Enables you to define criteria for each routing rule created on the Incoming Routing Rules subtab.  See " <a href="#">Configuring Incoming Routing Criteria Parameters</a> " for more information.

## Configuring Incoming Routing Rules Parameters

The Incoming Routing Rules subtab enables you to define a name, priority, and an IM for which you create a rule. The Incoming Routing Rules subtab contains a table in which each row represents an individual rule.

When you define a rule, you need to specify the fields defined in [Table 2–19](#).

**Table 2–19 Incoming Routing Rule Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique rule name
Priority	INT	<p>Specifies an order in which the SS7 SSU checks routing rules to evaluate if an incoming session fits rule's criteria. The SS7 SSU applies the first found rule which criteria are met by an incoming session.</p> <p>The lower the number, the higher the priority. For example, if you created two rules and set Priority of one rule to "1" and set Priority of another rule to "2", the SS7 SSU checks the rule with Priority set to "1" first.</p> <p>You can define an incoming routing rule that the SS7 SSU apply if no other rule can be applied by setting the Priority parameter of this rule to the highest number (that is, the number with the lowest priority). There is no need to specify incoming routing criteria for such a rule.</p>

**Table 2–19 (Cont.) Incoming Routing Rule Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Module Instance	STRING	<p>Specifies a URI of an IM to which the SS7 SSU routes an incoming session.</p> <p>The URI has the following format:</p> <p><i>IM-instance-name.IM-type@domain-id</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <i>IM-instance-name</i>: The IM instance name that you specified when you added this IM in the IM Management Configuration screen.</li> <li>■ <i>IM-type</i>: The type of the IM instance</li> <li>■ <i>domain-id</i>: The name of a Processing Domain or a Processing Domain Group where the relevant IM is deployed. See "Setting Up the Service Controller Domain Name" in the <i>Service Controller System Administrator's Guide</i> for more information on setting up a domain name.</li> </ul> <p>To set a Processing Domain, you must specify the name you configured for the domain during its creation. See "Setting a Service Controller Domain Name" in <i>Oracle Communications Service Controller Modules Configuration Guide</i> for more information.</p> <p>To set a Processing Domain Group, you must specify the group name. See Managing Processing Domain Groups in <i>Service Controller Modules Configuration Guide</i> for more information about Processing Domain Groups.</p> <p>Example:</p> <p><code>imscfcap4_instance.IMSCFCAP4@processing-domain-1</code></p>

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**Note:** After you specified or updated these parameters, you need to restart the managed servers to make the changes to take effect.

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## Configuring Incoming Routing Criteria Parameters

The Incoming Routing Criteria subtab enables you to define criteria for rules that you created on the Incoming Routing Rules subtab. The Incoming Routing Criteria contains a table in which each row represents a routing rule.

When you define criteria, you need to specify the fields defined in [Table 2–20](#).

**Table 2–20 Incoming Routing Criteria Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique rule name
Session Key	STRING	<p>Specifies a parameter inside an SCCP message based on which the SS7 SSU performs routing. The SS7 SSU routes incoming messages to a specified module instance, if the value of this parameter matches the Value field.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ DEST_ADDRESS_ALIAS</li> <li>■ SOURCE_ADDRESS_ALIAS</li> <li>■ APPLICATION_CONTEXT</li> <li>■ SERVICE_KEY</li> <li>■ OPCODE</li> </ul>



**Table 2–20 (Cont.) Incoming Routing Criteria Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Value	STRING	<p>Specifies a value that the Session Key parameter of an SCCP message must match, in order for the rule specified in the list of existing routing rules to apply.</p> <p>You can define one of the following in the Value parameter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Single value</li><li>▪ Range of dash-separated values</li><li>▪ Comma-separated values</li></ul>

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**Note:** After you specified or updated these parameters, you need to restart the managed servers to make the changes to take effect.

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## Monitoring

The Monitoring tab enables you to configure Runtime MBeans and notifications for monitoring SS7 SSU for SIGTRAN. For more information about configuring monitoring, see the discussion on configuring Service Controller monitoring in *Service Controller System Administrator's Guide*.



## Configuring a Diameter Signaling Server Unit

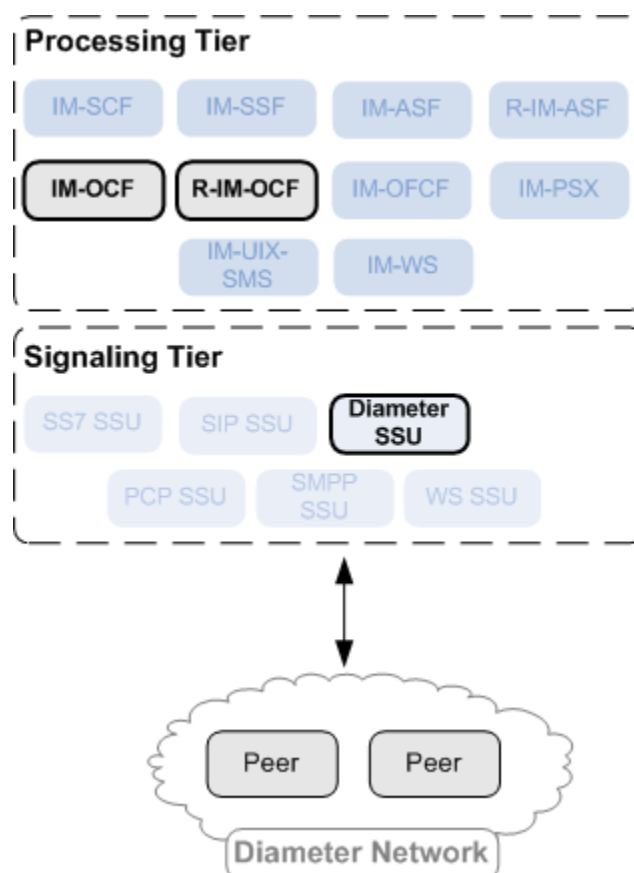
This chapter describes how to configure an Oracle Communications Service Controller Diameter Signaling Server Unit (SSU) using the Administration Console.

### About the Diameter SSU

The Diameter SSU provides connectivity between Diameter network entities and those internal Service Controller components that communicate through Diameter, such as IM-OCF and R-IM-OCF.

Figure 3–1 shows the Diameter SSU in the Signaling Tier. The Diameter SSU provides IM-OCF and R-IM-OCF with Diameter connectivity.

**Figure 3–1 Diameter SSU in the Service Controller Architecture**



## About Diameter Nodes and Peers

The Diameter SSU is a process that implements the Diameter protocol. You define the Diameter SSU as a Diameter node.

By default, the Diameter SSU is configured as one Diameter node, where all signaling servers provide a Diameter network channel on the same port. If you deploy the Diameter SSU on multiple signaling servers running on the same physical system, you must configure each signaling server to listen on a different port, otherwise the ports collide. In this case, you define a Diameter node for each signaling server. In general, when you need to define a different address, host or port to Diameter SSU deployments running on different Signaling Servers, you create a Diameter node for each Signaling Server.

A Diameter node communicates with Diameter network entities known as peers. Each Diameter node can communicate with multiple peers. To define peers with which the Diameter node can communicate, you can use the following methods:

- Explicitly define each peer with which the Diameter node can communicate.
- Enable dynamic peer discovery in combination with TLS transport to allow the Diameter SSU to recognize peers automatically. Oracle recommends enabling dynamic peers only when using the TLS transport, because no access control mechanism is available to restrict hosts from becoming peers.

When a Diameter node receives a message from a peer, the Diameter node routes the message to a server that you define based on the realm of the peer. Depending on the configuration, the Diameter node can process the message locally without routing to another server, include additional AVPs to the message before routing, or route the message to the specified server.

A message that the Diameter node receives might not match any realm-based criteria. To allow the Diameter SSU to still handle such a message, you can define a route known as a default route. For the default route, you need to specify the server to which the Diameter SSU routes the message and the action the Diameter node should perform before the routing.

## About Routing Messages to Service Controller Components

After the Diameter SSU received a message, the Diameter SSU routes the message to a Processing Tier component (R-IM-OCF or IM-OCF) that process Diameter messages. The Diameter SSU decides to which component to route the message based on criteria known as routing rules. A routing rule defines the destination component based on the value of a specified AVP. For example, you can create a rule based on the `ORIGIN_REALM` AVP. This rule routes messages from the specified realm to a certain instance of R-IM-OCF.

A routing rule consists of the following parts:

- Incoming routing rule

This defines an instance of the IM to which the Diameter SSU routes the message. You can create multiple rules for the same IM. The Diameter SSU checks these rules in the order determined by the priority of the rule.

The lower the number, the higher the priority. For example, if you created two rules and set Priority of one rule to "1" and set Priority of another rule to "2", the Diameter SSU checks the rule with Priority set to "1" first.

The Diameter SSU begins with the rule that has the highest priority. If an incoming session fits the criteria defined in this rule, the Diameter SSU applies the rule and

does not check the rest of the rules. Otherwise, the Diameter SSU checks whether an incoming session fits the criteria of a rule with a lower priority. The Diameter SSU performs this check until the Diameter SSU finds a rule whose criteria are met by an incoming session.

- Incoming routing criteria

The criteria define conditions for incoming routing rules. If these conditions are met, the Diameter SSU routes the incoming message to the IM specified in the incoming routing rule.

The conditions are based on AVPs. You specify the AVP that the Diameter SSU should check. If the AVP specified by you and the AVP set in the incoming message match, then the Diameter SSU routes the message to the IM that you defined in the incoming routing rule associated with the incoming routing criteria.

You can specify the AVP using one of the following methods:

- Selecting one of the pre-defined attributes and specifying its value
- Specifying a custom AVP by entering the AVP's code, vendor ID (if necessary), and value

## About Routing Messages to Diameter Peers

You can specify a destination Diameter peer to which the Diameter SSU routes a message based on the alias of the peer. Several peers can share the same alias. If the Diameter SSU fails to send a message to a peer (for example, when the peer is inactive), the Diameter SSU sends the message to another peer that has the same alias.

You specify the alias of the peer in the Destination-Realm AVP parameter when configuring IM-OCF. The Diameter SSU refers to the outbound destinations table to map the alias to the destination host and destination realm.

If the value in the Destination-Realm AVP of the outbound message does not match the alias you set in the outbound destinations table, the Diameter SSU routes the message to the destination specified in the Destination-Host AVP field.

The Diameter SSU distributes messages among different peers that share the same alias using the weighted load strategy. This strategy determines a peer that receives a message based on the weight that you assign to the peer. The weight determines a relative share of the traffic that the peer should receive. For example, you defined two peers whose weight is 100 and 200 correspondingly. The peer with the weight of 100 receives 1/3 of the traffic, while the peer with the weight of 200 receives the remaining 2/3 of the traffic.

If a peer fails, the Diameter SSU redistributes the traffic among remaining peers according to their weight.

You can define a peer that receives traffic if other peers whose weight is greater than zero, fail. This peer is known as secondary peer, and its weight is always zero. If in the example above, you add one more peer whose weight is set to zero, the Diameter SSU sends messages to this peer only if the peers whose weight is set to 100 and 200 correspondingly, fail.

If you define multiple peers with secondary priority, the Diameter SSU distributes traffic equally among them.

The weighted load strategy enables you to control the traffic distribution depending on capabilities of peers. For example, if a peer runs a more powerful server, this peer can serve more traffic, then you would set its load weight relatively higher.

## Configuring Diameter Nodes

Configuration of a Diameter node requires the following:

- Creating a new node. See ["Setting Up a Diameter Node"](#) for more information.
- Setting up the default route. See ["Configuring the Default Route"](#) for more information.
- Setting up routes. See ["Configuring Routes"](#) for more information.
- Setting up peers. See ["Configuring Peers"](#) for more information.

### Setting Up a Diameter Node

To set up a Diameter node:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SSU Diameter** node.
4. In the SSU Diameter configuration pane, click the **DIAMETER** tab.
5. Click the **Diameter Configuration** subtab.

This subtab contains the following panes:

- List of existing Diameter nodes. This pane is located on the left.
  - Subtabs with configuration parameters of the Diameter node selected in the left of existing Diameter nodes. This pane is located on the right.
6. Do one of the following:
    - To create a new Diameter node, on the bottom of the list of existing Diameter nodes, click **Add**. Then in the **New** dialog box, enter the name of the new Diameter node and click **Apply**.
    - To configure an existing Diameter node, in the list of existing Diameter nodes, select the node that you want to configure.
  7. In the **General** subtab, specify values for the parameters described in [Table 3–1](#).

**Table 3–1** *Diameter Node Parameters*

Field	Description
Name	Specifies the name of the Diameter node.

**Table 3–1 (Cont.) Diameter Node Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Target</b>	<p>Specifies the name of the server on which the Diameter SSU runs. Leaving this field blank indicates that the configuration applies to all servers.</p> <p>The Target field includes the following additional options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Include Origin State ID:</b> Specifies that the Origin State ID AVP is included in each request, which allows for the rapid detection of terminated sessions. Diameter AVPs carry specific authentication, accounting, authorization routing and security information, and configuration details for request and reply.</li> <li>■ <b>SCTP:</b> Indicates that the Diameter node is configured with support for SCTP.</li> <li>■ <b>TLS:</b> Indicates that the Diameter node is configured with support of Transport Layer Security (TLS). This field advertises TLS capabilities when the node is interrogated by another Diameter node.</li> </ul>
<b>Host</b>	<p>Specifies the host name of the Diameter node.</p> <p>The host identity might or might not match the DNS name.</p>
<b>Realm</b>	<p>Specifies the realm name of the Diameter node.</p> <p>For example: <b>host@oracle.com</b></p> <p>Multiple Diameter nodes can be run on a single host using different realms and listen port numbers.</p>
<b>Address</b>	<p>Specifies the listen address for this Diameter node, using either the DNS name or the IP address. The host identity is used as the listen address when this field is blank.</p> <p>The host identity might or might not match the DNS name. Oracle recommends configuring the <b>Address</b> property with an explicit DNS name or IP address to avoid configuration errors.</p>
<b>Port</b>	<p>Specifies the network port number to use with the listen address.</p>
<b>TLS Enabled</b>	<p>Specifies whether the Transfer Layer Security (TLS) mechanism is enabled.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ TRUE</li> <li>■ FALSE</li> </ul>
<b>SCTP Enabled</b>	<p>Specifies whether the Stream Control Transmission Protocol is enabled.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ TRUE</li> <li>■ FALSE</li> </ul>
<b>Peer Retry Delay</b>	<p>Specifies the time, in seconds. This node waits before retrying a request to a Diameter peer. The default wait value is 30 seconds.</p>

**Table 3–1 (Cont.) Diameter Node Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Allow Dynamic Peers</b>	<p>Enables dynamic discovery of Diameter peers. Dynamic peer support is disabled by default.</p> <p>If you enabled dynamic peers, you can set two additional parameters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>diameter.watchdog.for.dynamic.peers</b> This parameter defines whether the Diameter SSU should send Device-Watchdog-Request (DWR) commands to dynamic Diameter peers.</li> <li>■ <b>diameter.tcp.keepalive.for.client.peers</b> This parameter defines whether the TCP socket option SO_KEEPAIVE for Diameter dynamic peers is set to true.</li> </ul> <p>You define these parameters in the <b>start.sh</b> file of the server on which the Diameter SSU runs. See the "System Properties" section in the "System Administrator's Reference" chapter in <i>Service Controller System Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>
<b>Request Timeout</b>	Specifies the amount of time, from 0 milliseconds, this node waits for an answer message before timing out.
<b>Watchdog Timeout</b>	Specifies the amount of time, from 0 seconds, this node uses for the value of the Diameter Tw watchdog timer interval.
<b>Include Origin-State-Id</b>	<p>Specifies whether the Diameter SSU includes an Origin-State-Id AVP into each request.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ TRUE</li> <li>■ FALSE</li> </ul>
<b>Keystore Id</b>	<p>Specifies the ID of the keystore as you configured it in the Credential Store.</p> <p>Notice that the <b>Keystore Id</b> parameter is applicable only when you set the <b>TLS Enabled</b> parameter to <b>TRUE</b>.</p>
<b>Truststore Id</b>	<p>Specifies the ID of the truststore as you configured it in the Credential Store.</p> <p>Notice that the <b>Truststore Id</b> parameter is applicable only when you set the <b>TLS Enabled</b> parameter to <b>TRUE</b>.</p>

8. Click **Apply**.

## Configuring the Default Route

To configure the default route:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SSU Diameter** node.
4. In the SSU Diameter configuration pane, click the **DIAMETER** tab.
5. In the list of existing Diameter nodes, select the node for which you set up the default route.
6. Click the **Default Route** subtab.
7. Specify values for the parameters described in [Table 3–2](#).



**Table 3–2    Diameter Default Route Parameters**

Field	Description
Name	Specifies an administrative name for the route.
Action	Specifies an action that this node performs when using the default route.  Select <b>relay</b> . The Diameter SSU routes the message to the server without adding or modifying AVPs.

8. Click **Apply**.
9. Underneath the configuration parameters of the default route, click **New**.
10. In the **New** dialog box, enter the host name of the target server.
11. Click **Apply**.

## Configuring Routes

To configure a new Diameter route:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SSU Diameter** node.
4. In the SSU Diameter configuration pane, click the **DIAMETER** tab.
5. In the list of existing Diameter nodes, select the node for which you set up the routes.
6. Click the **Routes** subtab.  
This subtab contains the following panes:
  - List of existing routes. This pane is located on the left.
  - Configuration parameters of the route selected in the list of existing routes. This pane is located on the right.
7. Do one of the following:
  - To create a new route, on the bottom of the list of existing routes, click **Add**. In the **New** dialog box, enter the name of the new route and click **Apply**.
  - To modify an existing route, in the list of existing routes, select the route that you want to modify.
8. Specify values of the parameters described in [Table 3–3](#).

**Table 3–3    Routes Parameters**

Field	Description
Name	Specifies an administrative name for the route.
Realm	Specifies the target realm for this route.

**Table 3–3 (Cont.) Routes Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Application ID</b>	Specifies the type of Diameter billing to use. Possible values <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 3 Specifies Diameter Rf charging.</li> <li>■ 4 Specifies Diameter Ro charging.</li> </ul>
<b>Action</b>	Specifies an action that this node performs when using the route. Select <b>relay</b> . The Diameter SSU routes the message to the server without adding or modifying AVPs.

9. Click **Apply**.
10. Underneath the configuration parameters of the route, click **New**.
11. In the **New** dialog box, in the **Host** field, enter the host name of the target server.
12. Click **Apply**.

## Configuring Peers

To configure a Diameter peer:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SSU Diameter** node.
4. In the SSU Diameter configuration pane, click the **DIAMETER** tab.
5. In the list of existing Diameter nodes, select the node for which you set up the peers.
6. Click the **Peers** subtab.
7. On the bottom of the **Peers** subtab, click the **New** button.
8. In the **New** window, fill in the fields described in [Table 3–4](#).

**Table 3–4 Peer Recognition Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Host</b>	Specifies the peer's host identity.
<b>Address</b>	Specifies the peer's address, using either the DNS name or IP address.
<b>Port</b>	Specifies the listen port number of the peer.

**Table 3–4 (Cont.) Peer Recognition Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Protocol</b>	Specifies the protocol used to communicate with the peer. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ tcp</li> <li>■ sctp</li> </ul> Default value: tcp Note that Service Controller attempts to connect to the peer using <i>only</i> the protocol you specify. The other protocol is not used, even if a connection fails using the selected protocol.
<b>Watchdog Enabled</b>	Indicates whether the peer supports the Diameter Tw watchdog timer interval. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ TRUE</li> <li>■ FALSE</li> </ul>

## Routing Incoming Messages to Service Controller's Components

Configuration of incoming routing rules requires the following:

- Configuring routing rules. See "[Configuring Routing Rules](#)" for more information.
- Configuring routing criteria. See "[Configuring Routing Criteria](#)" for more information.

### Configuring Routing Rules

To set up incoming routing rules:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SSU Diameter** node.
4. In the SSU Diameter configuration pane, click the **SSU Diameter** tab.
5. Click the **Routing** subtab.

This subtab contains the following panes:

- List of existing routes. This pane is located on the left.
  - Subtabs with configuration parameters of the route selected in the list of existing routes. This pane is located on the right.
6. Do one of the following:
    - To create a new route, on the bottom of the list of existing routes, click **Add**. Then in the **New** dialog box, enter the name of the new route and click **Apply**.
    - To modify an existing route, in the left of existing routes, select the route you want to modify.
  7. On the **Incoming Routing Rules** subtab, specify values for the parameters described in [Table 3–5](#).

**Table 3–5 Diameter SSU Incoming Routing Rule Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique rule name.
Priority	INT	<p>Specifies an order in which the Diameter SSU checks routing rules to evaluate if an incoming session fits rule's criteria. The Diameter SSU applies the first found rule which criteria are met by an incoming session.</p> <p>The lower the number, the higher the priority. For example, if you created two rules and set Priority of one rule to "1" and set Priority of another rule to "2", the Diameter SSU checks the rule with Priority set to "1" first.</p> <p>You can define an incoming routing rule that the Diameter SSU applies if no other rule can be applied, by setting the Priority parameter of this rule to the largest number (that is lowest priority). There is no need to specify incoming routing criteria for such a rule.</p>
Module Instance	STRING	<p>Specifies the URI of the destination Service Controller component to which the Diameter SSU routes incoming sessions.</p> <p>The URI has the following format:</p> <p><i>SSU:IM-instance-name.IM-type@domain-id</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <i>IM-instance-name</i>: The IM instance name that you specified when you added this IM in the IM Management Configuration screen.</li> <li>■ <i>IM-type</i>: The type of the IM instance</li> <li>■ <i>domain-id</i>: Name of the Processing Domain or Processing Domain Group where the relevant IM or application is deployed. This parameter is required only when your Service Controller deployment includes two or more Processing Domains.</li> </ul> <p>Use the name given to the domain when it was created. This name is specified by the <i>axia.domain.id</i> property.</p> <p><i>domain-id</i> is required only if your deployment includes two or more Processing Domains.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p><i>ssu:imocf_instance.IMOCF@processing-domain-1</i></p>

8. Click **OK**.

## Configuring Routing Criteria

To set up incoming routing criteria:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SSU Diameter** node.
4. In the SSU Diameter configuration pane, click the **SSU Diameter** tab.
5. Click the **Routing** subtab.
6. Click the **Incoming Routing Criteria** subtab.

The Incoming Routing Criteria configuration pane appears. This pane displays a table. The table contains criteria that define the conditions to be met in order the

incoming message to be sent to the Service Controller component that you defined in the incoming routing rules. Each row in the table represents a single rule.

7. Click **New** at the bottom of the Incoming Routing Criteria pane.

The New dialog box appears.

8. Specify values of the parameters described in [Table 3–6](#).

**Table 3–6 Diameter SSU Incoming Routing Criteria Fields**

Name	Type	Description
Name	STRING	Specifies a unique rule name.
Attribute	STRING	<p>Specifies a Diameter AVP based on which the Diameter SSU performs routing.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ APPLICATION_ID</li> <li>▪ ORIGIN_REALM</li> <li>▪ ORIGIN_HOST</li> <li>▪ CUSTOM_AVP</li> </ul> <p>Default value: APPLICATION_ID</p>
Value	STRING	<p>Specifies a value of the AVP.</p> <p>When the Attribute parameter is not set to CUSTOM_AVP, you can define one of the following in the Value parameter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Single value</li> <li>▪ Range of dash-separated values</li> <li>▪ Comma-separated values</li> </ul> <p>If you set the Attribute parameter to CUSTOM_AVP, specify the code, vendor ID, and value of the AVP using the following format:</p> <pre>code=AVP_code; [vendorId=vendor_ID]?; [code=AVP_code; [vendorId=vendor_ID];]*; value=AVP_value</pre> <p>For example: code=296;value=seagull_client</p> <p>The absence of a Vendor-ID or a Vendor-ID value of zero (0) identifies the IETF IANA controlled AVP Codes namespace.</p> <p>For more information on adding custom Diameter AVPs to the Service Controller Diameter stack, see the discussion on adding custom AVPs in <i>Oracle Communication Service Broker Online Mediation Controller Implementation Guide Release 6.1</i>.</p>

## Routing Message Routing to Diameter Peers

To add outbound destinations:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SSU Diameter** node.
4. In the SSU Diameter configuration pane, click the **SSU Diameter** tab.
5. Click the **Outbound Destinations** subtab.

The Outbound Destinations configuration pane appears. This pane displays a table. The table contains rules that define the destination Diameter peer to which

the Diameter SSU routes an outgoing message. Each row in the table represents a single rule.

6. Click the **New** button at the bottom of the Outbound Destinations pane.

The New dialog box appears.

7. Fill in the fields described in [Table 3–7](#).

**Table 3–7 Diameter SSU Outbound Destinations Parameters**

Field	Descriptions
<b>Name</b>	Specifies a unique destination identifier.
<b>Alias</b>	Specifies the alias of a Diameter peer that must be set in the Destination-Realm AVP of the message sent by a Service Controller's component (such as IM-OCF) to the Diameter SSU. See the "Configuring AVPs" in "Configuring Diameter Credit Control Application Parameters" in "Setting Up IM-OCF Ro" in <i>Service Controller Modules Configuration Guide</i> for more information on specifying the Destination-Realm AVP in outbound messages.  If the alias set in the message and the value of the Alias parameter match, the Diameter SSU forwards the message to the peer whose host and realm are defined in the Destination Host and Destination Realm parameters.
<b>Destination Host</b>	Specifies the host of the destination Diameter peer.
<b>Destination Realm</b>	Specifies the realm to which the destination Diameter peer belongs.
<b>Weight</b>	Specifies the relative load weight for the Diameter peer. Default value: 0

8. Click **OK**.

The Diameter SSU dispatches messages to destination Diameter peers in the realm according to a preconfigured strategy.

## Configuring the Credential Store

You use the Credential Store to securely store, encrypt, and validate the credentials that Service Controller uses to communicate with Diameter peers. For more information about how the Credential Store works and how you configure credentials, see a discussion on administering Credential Stores in *Service Controller Security Guide*.

## Configuring a SIP Signaling Server Unit

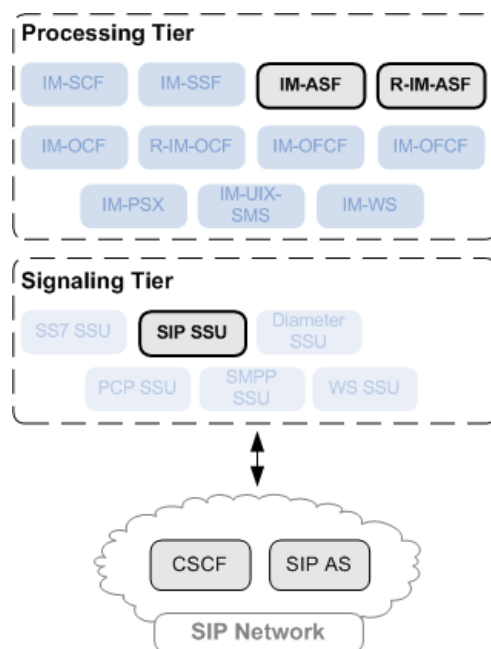
This chapter describes how to configure an Oracle Communications Service Controller SIP Signaling Server Unit (SSU) using the Administration Console.

### About the SIP SSU

The SIP SSU provides SIP connectivity between network entities, such as CSCFs and application servers, and those internal Service Controller components that communicate through SIP, such as IM-ASF-SIP and R-IM-ASF-SIP.

Figure 4–1 shows the SIP SSU in the Signaling Tier. The SIP SSU provides IM-ASF and R-IM-ASF with SIP connectivity.

**Figure 4–1** Role and Position of the SIP SSU in the Overall Architecture of Service Controller



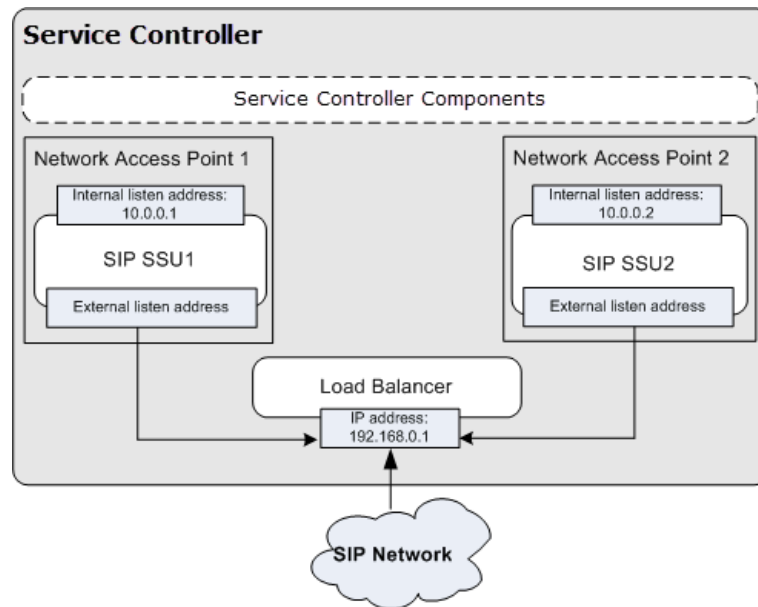
### About Network Access Points

The SIP SSU runs on servers in the signaling tier. Each server provides a listen address, that is IP and port, called network access point, that entities in the network use to connect Service Controller. If you use a Load Balancer in your system, entities in the network connect Service Controller through the Load Balancer. In this case you also

specify the address of the Load Balancer as the external listen address of each network access point. When you do not use a Load Balancer in your system, you set the external listen address of a network access point to be the same as the network access point's listen address.

Figure 4–2 shows a Service Controller deployment with two network access points and a Load Balancer. Each network access point has its own listen address. The external listen address of each network access point is set to the same address that the Load Balancer has. SIP entities in the network use the external listen address to send SIP messages to the SIP SSUs.

**Figure 4–2 Deployment with Two Network Access Points and the Load Balancer**



The SIP SSU monitors connections between a network access point and network entities. You can specify the maximum number of network entities that can connect to the network access point. Once the SIP SSU detects the maximum number of connection attempts, it declines any additional attempts.

You can specify a timeout that the network access point waits for a complete message to be received by a network entity. In addition, you can define the amount of time that a connection is allowed to be idle before the network access point closes it.

## About Connection Pools

To minimize communication overhead with SIP network entities, the SIP SSU provides a connection pooling mechanism. You can configure multiple fixed pools of connections to different addresses.

The SIP SSU opens new connections from the connection pool on demand as the server makes requests to a configured address. The server then multiplexes new SIP requests to the address using the already opened connections, rather than repeatedly terminating and recreating new connections. The SIP SSU uses opened connections in a round-robin fashion. The SIP SSU leaves these existing connections open until they are explicitly closed by the network entity.

Notice that the SIP SSU uses connection pools only for those connections that the SIP SSU initiates. If a network entity originates a request, this network entity establishes a



connection with the SIP SSU. The SIP SSU does not force such an entity to use a new connection with the SIP SSU, and closes it when the session ends.

## Receiving and Sending SIP Messages

From the perspective of SIP network entities, Service Controller acts as a SIP user agent. To receive SIP messages from other network entities, Service Controller requires a user agent identifier that uniquely identifies Service Controller within the SIP network. This identifier is called a Globally Routable User Agent URI (GRUU).

You define the GRUU as a part of the SIP SSU configuration process. The SIP SSU distributes the GRUU in the Contact and Routeset headers of SIP messages that the SIP SSU sends to network entities.

### Receiving SIP Messages from Network Entities

The SIP SSU routes incoming SIP messages to a Processing Tier component (R-IM-ASF or IM-ASF) for processing. The SIP SSU selects a target component to route the message to based on criteria that you specify in the form of incoming routing rules. Incoming routing rules specify SIP message destinations using the messages's origination address.

For example, a SIP network might have two CSCFs whose IP addresses are 192.168.0.220 and 192.168.0.240. In your Service Controller deployment, you might have two instances of R-IM-ASF whose names are R-IM-ASF1 and R-IM-ASF2 accordingly. To specify to which of the two IMs the SIP SSU should route a SIP message, you can create two incoming routing rules.

In one rule, you specify that if the IP address of the sending network entity is 192.168.0.220, the SIP SSU routes the message to R-IM-ASF1. In the second rule, you specify that if the IP address of the network entity which sent the message is 192.168.0.240, the SIP SSU routes the message to R-IM-ASF2.

### Sending SIP Messages to Network Entities

For outgoing SIP traffic, you define SIP network entities to which the SIP SSU route outgoing requests. You define the address of a network entity in the form of a SIP URI. This is the SIP URI that internal Service Controller components use to specify the destination of outgoing traffic. If several network entities act as one logical destination entity, you can assign one alias to those network entities. When Service Controller components send SIP messages to network entities, the Service Controller components can use the alias to specify the message destination.

The SIP SSU distributes messages among different SIP network entities that share the same alias using the weighted load strategy. This strategy determines a network entity that receives a message based on the weight that you assign to the entity. The weight determines a relative share of the traffic that the network entity should receive. For example, you defined two entities whose weight is 100 and 200 correspondingly. The network entity with the weight of 100 receives 1/3 of the traffic, while the network entity with the weight of 200 receives the remaining 2/3 of the traffic.

If a network entity fails, the SIP SSU redistributes the traffic among remaining networking entities according to their weight.

You can define a network entity that receives traffic if other network entities whose weight is greater than zero, fail. This entity is known as secondary network entity, and its weight is always zero. If in the example above, you add one more entity whose weight is set to zero, the SIP SSU sends messages to this network entity only if the network entities whose weight is set to 100 and 200 correspondingly, fail.

If you define multiple network entities with secondary priority, the SIP SSU distributes traffic equally among them.

The weighted load strategy enables you to control the traffic distribution depending on capabilities of network entities. For example, if a network entity runs a more powerful server, this entity can serve more traffic, then you would set its load weight relatively higher.

To provide a stable connection with network entities, the SIP SSU implements a heartbeat mechanism. This mechanism allows the SIP SSU check availability of network entities by periodically sending requests to SIP network entities. If the SIP SSU does not receive a response within the specified period, the SIP SSU considers the network entity inactive, and stop sending requests to it. However, the SIP SSU continues to periodically check availability of inactive network entities.

You configure the heartbeat mechanism for each SIP network entity separately when you define the network entity.

## Specifying SIP Headers Insertion

To specify how the SIP SSU handles SIP headers:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
2. Select **SSU SIP**.
3. In the SSU SIP configuration pane, click the **SIP** tab.
4. In the **SIP Configuration** area, specify values for the parameters described in [Table 4–1](#).

**Table 4–1 SIP Header Insertion Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Server Header Insertion</b>	<p>Specifies when the SIP SSU inserts a Server header with the signaling server name into outgoing SIP messages. You can use this functionality to limit or eliminate Server headers to reduce the message size for wireless networks, or to increase security.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>None</b> The SIP SSU does not insert a Server header.</li> <li>■ <b>Request</b> The SIP SSU inserts the Server header only for SIP requests generated by the SIP SSU.</li> <li>■ <b>Response</b> The SIP SSU inserts the Server header only for SIP responses generated by the SIP SSU.</li> <li>■ <b>All</b> The SIP SSU inserts the Server header for all SIP requests and responses.</li> </ul> <p>Default value: <b>None</b></p>
<b>Server Header Value</b>	Specifies the value of the Server header that the SIP SSU inserts into SIP messages.

**Table 4–1 (Cont.) SIP Header Insertion Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Default Form For Header Insertion</b>	<p>Specifies how the SIP SSU applies rules for compacting SIP message headers.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Compact</b> The SIP SSU uses the compact form for all system-generated headers. However, any headers that are copied from an originating message use their original form.</li> <li>■ <b>Force compact</b> The SIP SSU uses the compact form for all headers, converting long headers in existing messages into compact headers.</li> <li>■ <b>Long</b> The SIP SSU uses the long form for all system-generated headers. However, any headers that are copied from an originating message (rather than generated) use their original form.</li> <li>■ <b>Force long</b> The SIP SSU uses the long form for all headers, converting compact headers in existing messages into long headers.</li> </ul>

5. Click **Apply**.

## Configuring SIP Network Access Points

To configure a SIP network access point:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
2. Select **SSU SIP**.
3. In the SSU SIP configuration pane, click the **SIP** tab.
4. Click the **Network Access Point** subtab.  
This subtab consists of the following panes:
  - List of existing network access points. This pane is located on the left.
  - Subtabs with configuration parameters of the network access point selected in the list of existing network access points. This pane is located on the right.
5. Do one of the following:
  - To create a new network access point, on the bottom of the list of existing network access points, click **Add**. Then in the **New** dialog box, enter the name of the new access network point and click **Apply**.
  - To modify an existing network access point, in the list of existing network access points, select the network access point that you want to modify.
6. On the **General** subtab, specify values for the parameters described in [Table 4–2](#).

**Table 4–2 SIP Network Access Point General Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Target</b>	The name of the server on which the SIP SSU runs. Leaving this field blank indicates that the configuration applies to all servers.
<b>Name</b>	A unique SIP network channel name.
<b>Protocol</b>	The protocol used for connections through the network channel. Set this field to <b>SIP</b> .
<b>Complete Message Timeout</b>	Specifies the amount of time in seconds that the network access point waits for a complete message to be received. A value of <b>0</b> disables the network access point complete message timeout. Valid values range from <b>0</b> to <b>480</b> seconds.
<b>Idle Connection Timeout</b>	Specifies the amount of time in seconds that a connection is allowed to be idle before it is closed by the network access point. The minimum value is <b>0</b> seconds.
<b>Maximum Connected Clients</b>	Specifies the maximum number of SIP network entities that can connect to the network access point.

7. Click the **Listen Address** subtab.
8. Specify values for the parameters described in [Table 4–3](#).

**Table 4–3 Listen Address Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Network Type</b>	Specifies the network type of the internal listen address. Set this field to: <b>internet</b>
<b>Address Type</b>	Specifies the address type of the internal listen address. Set this field to: <b>IP4</b>
<b>Host</b>	Specifies the IP address or DNS name that Service Controller's components use to communicate with the network access point. Setting the value to <b>0.0.0.0</b> resolves to the IP of the local computer.
<b>Port</b>	Specifies the port that Service Controller's components use to communicate with the network access point.

9. Click the **External Listen Address** subtab.
10. Specify values for the parameters described in [Table 4–4](#).

**Table 4–4 External Listen Address Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Network Type</b>	Specifies the network type of the external listen address. Set this field to <b>internet</b>
<b>Address Type</b>	Specifies the address type of the external listen address. Set this field to <b>IP4</b>
<b>Host</b>	Specifies the IP address or DNS name that SIP network entities use to communicate with the network access entity. If you use the Load Balancer, enter the IP address of the Load Balancer.
<b>Port</b>	Specifies the port that SIP network entities use to communicate with the network access entity. If you use the Load Balancer, enter the port of the Load Balancer.

## Configuring SIP Connection Pools

To configure a connection pool:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
2. Select **SSU SIP**.
3. In the **SSU SIP** configuration pane, click the **SIP** tab.
4. Click the **Connection Pools** subtab.

This subtab contains a table in which each row represents a pool of connections to one destination host.

5. On the bottom of the **Connection Pool** subtab, click the **New** button.
6. Fill in the fields described in [Table 4–5](#).

**Table 4–5** *Connection Pool Parameters*

Field	Description
<b>Name</b>	Specifies a string value that identifies the name of the pool. All configured names must be unique in the domain.
<b>Destination Host</b>	Specifies the IP address or host name of the destination.
<b>Destination Port</b>	Specifies the destination port number.
<b>Maximum Connections</b>	Specifies the maximum number of opened connections to maintain in the pool.

7. Click **OK**.

The values you enter are displayed in the table.

## Configuring SIP Network Entities

To configure SIP network entities:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
2. Select **SSU SIP**.
3. In the **SSU SIP** configuration pane, click the **SSU SIP** tab and then the **SIP Network Entities** subtab.
4. Click the **New** button at the bottom of the **SIP Network Entities** pane.  
The New dialog box appears.
5. Fill in the fields described in [Table 4–6](#).

**Table 4–6** *SIP Network Entities Parameters*

Field	Description
<b>Name</b>	Specifies a unique network entity name.

**Table 4–6 (Cont.) SIP Network Entities Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Alias</b>	<p>Specifies the alias of a SIP network entity that must be set in the message sent by a Service Controller's component (such as an IM-ASF) to the SIP SSU.</p> <p>If the alias set in the message and the value of the Alias parameter match, the SIP SSU forwards the message to the IP address defined in the SipUri parameter.</p> <p>The alias has a format of a SIP URI. For example: sip:simple_b2b@example.com</p>
<b>Heartbeat</b>	<p>Specifies whether to use a heartbeat mechanism over the connection with the SIP network entity.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ON</li> <li>■ OFF</li> </ul> <p>Default value: ON</p>
<b>SipUri</b>	<p>Specifies the SIP URI of the SIP network entity to which the SIP SSU should forward the message.</p> <p>For example: sip:simple_b2b@192.168.0.219:6060</p>
<b>Weight</b>	<p>Specifies the relative load weight for the network entity.</p> <p>Default value: 0</p>
<b>Heartbeat Method</b>	<p>Specifies the SIP method that the SIP SSU uses to test the connection with the SIP network entity.</p> <p>Default value: OPTIONS</p>
<b>Response Timeout</b>	<p>Specifies the time interval in seconds during which the SIP SSU waits for a response from the SIP network entity. The heartbeat mechanism uses this field.</p>
<b>Active Interval</b>	<p>Specifies the time interval in seconds for sending heartbeat requests from the SIP SSU to the SIP network entity. This field is used if the previous heartbeat test showed that the SIP network entity is active.</p>
<b>Inactive Interval</b>	<p>Specifies the time interval in seconds for sending heartbeat requests from the SIP SSU to the SIP network entity. This field is used if the previous heartbeat test showed that the SIP network entity is inactive.</p>

6. Click **OK**.

The values you enter are displayed in the table.

## Specifying a Globally Routable User Agent URI

To configure a Globally Routable User Agent URI:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
2. Select **SSU SIP**.
3. In the SSU SIP configuration pane, click the **SSU SIP** tab and then the **SIP Server** subtab.
4. In the **Globally Routable User Agent URI** field, specify a SIP URI that the SIP SSU automatically inserts into **Contact** and **Routeset** headers when communicating with network elements.

For example: sip:sb@209.95.109.191:5060.

5. Click **Apply**.

## Configuring Incoming Routing Rules

To configure incoming routing rules:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
2. Select **SSU SIP**.
3. In the SSU SIP configuration pane, click the **SSU SIP** tab and then the **Incoming Routing Rules** subtab.

The Incoming Routing Rules pane contains a table in which each row represents one routing rule.

4. Click the **New** button, located at the bottom of the Incoming Routing Rules pane.  
The New dialog box appears.
5. Fill in the fields in the dialog box described in [Table 4–7](#).

**Table 4–7 SIP Incoming Routing Rules Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Name</b>	Specifies a unique routing rule name
<b>IP Address</b>	<p>Specifies the IP address of the network entity that sends the message to the SIP SSU.</p> <p>If the actual IP address of the network entity and the value of the <b>IP Address</b> parameter match, the SIP SSU routes the message to a Service Controller's component with the alias defined in the <b>Alias</b> parameter.</p> <p>Setting this field to <b>any</b> applies the routing rule to any incoming SIP message, regardless of the IP address of the network entity that sends the message.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> When typing <b>any</b> into the IP Address field, you must use only lowercase, as follows: any. Do not type Any or ANY.</p>

**Table 4–7 (Cont.) SIP Incoming Routing Rules Parameters**

Field	Description
Alias	<p>Specifies the SIP URI of the IM to which the SIP SSU routes an incoming session. The alias has the following format: <i>ssu:IM-instance-name.IM-type@domain-id</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>IM-instance-name</i>: IM instance name you specified when you added this IM in the IM configuration pane.</li> <li>▪ <i>IM-type</i>: Type of IM instance.</li> <li>▪ <i>domain-id</i>: Name of the Processing Domain or Processing Domain Group where the relevant IM is deployed. This parameter is required only when your Service Controller deployment includes two or more Processing Domains.</li> </ul> <p>Use the name given to the domain when it was created. This name is specified by the <code>axia.domain.id</code> property.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>ssu:r-imocf_instance.RIMOCF@processing-domain.1</pre> <p>You can also specify the SIP URI of an application external to OCSB to which the SIP SSU routes an incoming message. The alias has the following format:</p> <pre>ssu:parameter@processing-domain.1/application</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>parameter</i>: Developer-specified parameters that are configured to forward the incoming message to the specified application</li> <li>▪ <i>application</i>: The destination application registered to the specified ID to which the incoming event is dispatched.</li> </ul>

6. Click **OK**.

The values you enter are displayed in the table.



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## Configuring an SMPP Signaling Server Unit

This chapter describes how to configure an Oracle Communications Service Controller SMPP Signaling Server Unit (SSU) using the Administration Console.

### About the SMPP SSU

Service Controller uses the SMPP SSU to communicate with Short Message System Centers (SMSCs) through the Short Message Peer-to-Peer protocol.

When configuring the SMPP SSU, you set up the following:

- SMPP network entities. See ["About SMPP Network Entities"](#) for more information.
- Incoming routing rules. See ["About Incoming Routing Rules"](#) for more information.
- SMSC connections. See ["About SMSC Connections"](#) for more information.
- Secure settings of SMSC connections. See ["About Securing SMSC Connections"](#) for more information.
- Password for the credential store. See ["About Securing the Credential Store"](#) for more information.

### About SMPP Network Entities

SMPP network entities are SMSCs to which the SMPP SSU routes **submit\_sm** messages generated by IM-UIX-SMS.

You set up rules that define the following:

- ID of the SMSCs to which the SMPP SSU routes the message
- Alias to be set in the IM-UIX-SMS configuration to route the message to the SMSC with a specified ID. To provide continuous operation in situations when an SMSC fails, you can map the same alias to multiple SMSCs. If one of the specified SMSCs fails, the SMPP SSU routes the message to another SMSC mapped to the same alias.
- Parameters of the heartbeat mechanism. Using this mechanism, the SMPP SSU regularly sends requests to an SMSC. If the SMPP SSU does not receive a response from the SMSC within the specified period, the SMPP SSU considers this SMSC inactive. The SMPP SSU does not send any further requests to this SMSC.

The SMPP SSU distributes messages among different SMPP network entities that share the same alias using the weighted load strategy. This strategy determines a network entity that receives a message based on the weight that you assign to the entity. The weight determines a relative share of the traffic that the network entity should receive.

For example, you defined two entities whose weight is 100 and 200 correspondingly. The network entity with the weight of 100 receives 1/3 of the traffic, while the network entity with the weight of 200 receives the remaining 2/3 of the traffic.

If a network entity fails, the SMPP SSU redistributes the traffic among remaining networking entities according to their weight.

You can define a network entity that receives traffic if other network entities whose weight is greater than zero, fail. This entity is known as secondary network entity, and its weight is always zero. If in the example above, you add one more entity whose weight is set to zero, the SMPP SSU sends messages to this network entity only if the network entities whose weight is set to 100 and 200 correspondingly, fail.

If you define multiple network entities with secondary priority, the SMPP SSU distributes traffic equally among them.

The weighted load strategy enables you to control the traffic distribution depending on capabilities of network entities. For example, if a network entity runs a more powerful server, this entity can serve more traffic, then you would set its load weight relatively higher.

See ["Configuring SMPP Network Entities"](#) for more information.

## About Incoming Routing Rules

Incoming routing rules define the IM-UIX-SMS instance to which the SMPP SSU routes a **deliver\_sm** message received from the SMSC. For each rule, you define the following parameters:

- Conditions:
  - Destination address
  - Service Type
- Alias of the IM-UIX-SMS instance to which the SMPP SSU routes the message if both conditions are met

See ["Configuring Incoming Routing Rules"](#) for more information.

## About SMSC Connections

To route a **submit\_sm** message to an SMSC, you set up connection between the SMPP SSU and SMSCs. Setting up a connection requires configuration of the following parameters:

- General parameters, which define parameters which are common for all connections to SMSCs.
- SMSC connection parameters, which define settings required for each connection. When setting up a connection, you map SMSC IDs specified in SMPP Network Entities, to physical addresses of SMSCs.

See ["Configuring SMSC Connections"](#) for more information.

## About Securing SMSC Connections

When communicating with SMSCs, Service Controller acts as an External Short Messaging Entity (ESME). A connection between an ESME and SMSC can be established if the ESME provides a proper password. To specify a password for a connection, you need to define the following:

- In the credential store, you specify a password for the connection between Service Controller and SMSC. In addition, you specify a key under which Service Controller stores this password in the credential store.
- When you set up a connection with an SMSC, you do not specify a password directly. Instead, in the **ESME Credential Key** parameter, you provide the credential store's key that you associated with the required password. See ["Setting Up Connection Pools"](#) for more information.

## About Securing the Credential Store

You use the Credential Store to securely store, encrypt, and validate the credentials that Service Controller uses to communicate with SMSCs. For more information about how the Credential Store works and how you configure credentials, see a discussion on administering Credential Stores in *Service Controller Security Guide*.

## Configuring SMPP Network Entities

To configure SMPP network entities:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SMPP SSU** node.
4. In the SMPP SSU configuration pane, click the **SSU SMPP** tab and then the **SMPP Network Entities** subtab.

The SMPP Network Entity configuration pane appears. This pane displays a table. The table contains rules that define to which SMSC the short message is routed. Each row in the table represents a single rule.

5. To create a new rule, at the bottom of the SMPP Network Entities configuration pane, click **New**.

The New dialog box appears.

6. Fill in the fields described in [Table 5–1](#).

**Table 5–1 SMPP Network Entities Parameters**

Field	Descriptions
Name	Specifies the name of the rule.

**Table 5–1 (Cont.) SMPP Network Entities Parameters**

Field	Descriptions
Alias	<p>Specifies the SIP URI of the IM to which the SMPP SSU routes an incoming session. The alias has the following format:  <code>ssu:IM-instance-name.IM-type@domain-id</code></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <i>IM-instance-name</i>: IM instance name you specified when you added this IM in the IM configuration pane.</li> <li>■ <i>IM-type</i>: Type of IM instance.</li> <li>■ <i>domain-id</i>: Name of the Processing Domain or Processing Domain Group where the relevant IM or application is deployed. This parameter is required only when your Service Controller deployment includes two or more Processing Domains.</li> </ul> <p>Use the name given to the domain when it was created. This name is specified by the <code>axia.domain.id</code> property.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>ssu:im_uix-sms.IMUIXSMS@processing-domain.1</pre> <p><i>domain-id</i> is required only if your deployment includes two or more Processing Domains.</p> <p>To provide continuous operation in situations when an SMSC fails, you can map the same alias to multiple SMSCs. If one of the specified SMSCs fails, the SMPP SSU routes the message to another SMSC mapped to the same alias.</p>
Weight	<p>Specifies the relative load weight for the network entity.</p> <p>Default value: 0</p>
Heartbeat	<p>Specifies whether the SMPP SSU uses the heartbeat mechanism to regularly check whether the SMSC is active.</p> <p>Possible values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ON</li> <li>■ OFF</li> </ul> <p>Default value: ON</p>
SMSC Identifier	<p>Specifies the ID of the SMSC to which the SMPP SSU routes the <b>submit_sm</b> message if the value of the Default SMSC Alias parameter set in the IM-UIX-SMS configuration and the value of the Alias parameter match.</p>
Response Timeout	<p>Specifies the time interval, in seconds, during which the SMPP SSU waits for a response from the SMSC.</p> <p>If the response timeout expires, and the SMPP SSU still does not receive a response, the SMPP SSU considers the SMSC inactive.</p>
Active Interval	<p>Specifies the time interval, in seconds, for sending heartbeat requests from the SMPP SSU to the SMSC. This field is used if the previous heartbeat test showed that the SMSC is active.</p>
Inactive Interval	<p>Specifies the time interval, in seconds, for sending heartbeat requests from the SMPP SSU to the SMSC. This field is used if the previous heartbeat test showed that the SMSC is inactive.</p>

7. Click **Apply**.

## Configuring Incoming Routing Rules

To configure incoming routing rules:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.

2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SMPP SSU** node.  
The SMPP SSU configuration pane appears.
4. In the SMPP SSU configuration pane, click the **SSU SMPP** tab and then the **Incoming Routing Rules** subtab.  
The Incoming Routing Rules configuration pane appears. This pane displays a table. The table contains rules that define to which instance of IM-UIX-SMS the **deliver\_sm** message is routed. Each row in the table represents a single rule.
5. To create a new rule, at the bottom of the Incoming Routing Rules configuration pane, click **New**.  
The New dialog box appears.
6. Fill in the fields described in [Table 5–2](#).

**Table 5–2 Incoming Routing Rules Parameters**

Field	Descriptions
Name	Specifies the name of the rule.
SMPP Destination Address	Specifies the destination address to be set in the <b>deliver_sm</b> message.
Service Type	Specifies the service type to be set in the <b>deliver_sm</b> message.
Alias	Specifies the alias of the IM-UIX-SMS instance. The SMPP SSU routes the <b>deliver_sm</b> message to this instance if the destination address and service type set in the <b>deliver_sm</b> message match the values set in SMPP Destination Address and Service Type parameters.

7. Click **Apply**.

## Configuring SMSC Connections

You need to configure the following:

- General parameters. See ["Configuring General Parameters"](#) for more information.
- Connection pools. See ["Setting Up Connection Pools"](#) for more information.

### Configuring General Parameters

To configure general parameters:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SMPP** node.
4. In the SMPP configuration pane, click the **SMPP** tab and then the **General** subtab.
5. Fill in the fields described in [Table 5–3](#).

**Table 5–3 General Parameters**

Field	Descriptions
protocolVersion	Specifies the version of the SMPP protocol that the SMPP SSU uses to communicate with SMSCs.
eventTimeoutMs	Specifies the timeout for an incoming event in milliseconds. Default value: 10000

6. Click **Apply**.

## Setting Up Connection Pools

To configure connection parameters:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand the **Signaling Tier** node.
3. Select the **SMPP** node.
4. In the SMPP configuration pane, click the **SMPP** tab and then the **SMSC** subtab.
5. Fill in the fields described in [Table 5–4](#).

**Table 5–4 SMSc Connections Parameters**

Field	Descriptions
SMSC Identifier	Specifies the ID of the SMSC for which you set up a connection.  The value that you specify in this parameter must correspond to the SmscId parameter which you set in the SMPP Network Entities configuration.
SMSC Address	Specifies the host name or IP address of the SMSC to which the SMPP SSU routes a <b>submit_sm</b> message.
SMSC Port	Specifies the port of the SMSC to which the SMPP SSU routes a <b>submit_sm</b> message.
ESME System ID	Specifies the ID of the External Short Messaging Entity (ESME) that the SMPP SSU uses to bind to the SMSC.
ESME Credential Key	Specifies the key that the SMPP SSU uses to retrieve the ESME password from the credential store.
ESME System Type	Specifies the type of the ESME system that the SMPP SSU uses to bind to the SMSC.
ESME Address Ton	Specifies the Type Of Number of the ESME address that the SMPP SSU uses to bind to the SMSC.
ESME Address NPI	Specifies the Numbering Plan Indicator of the ESME address that the SMPP SSU uses to bind to the SMSC.
ESME Address Range	Specifies the range of the ESME address that SMPP SSU uses to bind to the SMSC.  Default value: .*
Local Address	Specifies the local address (hostname or IP) used to connect to the SMSC.  To use any address, leave this parameter empty.

**Table 5–4 (Cont.) SMSc Connections Parameters**

Field	Descriptions
ESME Port	Specifies the local TCP port used to connect to the SMSC. Use -1 for any port. Default value: -1
Bind Type	Specifies the type of connection to the SMSC. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ TRANSCEIVER</li> <li>■ TRANSMITTER</li> <li>■ RECEIVER</li> </ul> Default value: TRANSCEIVER
Connection Pool Size	Specifies the size of the connection pool. Default value: 1
Connection Timer (sec)	Specifies the time, in seconds, that the SMPP SSU waits between connection attempts to the SMSC. Default value: 30
Request Timeout (ms)	Specifies the period, in milliseconds, that the SMPP SSU waits to consider the request timed out. Default value: 10000
Enquire Link Timer (sec)	Specifies the frequency, in seconds, with which the SMPP SSU sends a Enquire Link PDU on each SMSC connection. To disable sending a Enquire Link PDU, enter 0. Default value: 30
Window Size	Specifies the maximum number of pending requests for each TCP connection. To disable limitation, enter 0. Default value: 0
Connection Acquire Timeout (ms)	Specifies the timeout, in milliseconds, that the SMPP SSU waits for an available connection when no connections are currently available. This parameter is applicable only when the value of the windowSize parameter is greater than 0. Default value: 1000
Target	Specifies the name of the managed server to which this configuration applies. If you leave this parameter empty, the configuration applies to all managed servers.





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# Configuring the Web Services Signaling Server Unit

This chapter describes how to configure an Oracle Communications Service Controller Web Services Signaling Server Unit (SSU) using the Administration Console.

## About the Web Service SSU

The Web Services SSU enables Service Controller Processing Tier components to communicate with external entities using SOAP or REST over HTTP. Service Controller can act as a Web services server or client to external entities through the Web Services SSU.

In general, you control Web service traffic through the Service Controller Signaling Tier using the following Web Services SSU components:

- Incoming routing rules, which map a request URL addressed by an incoming request to an internal service or IM.
- Outgoing routing rules, which specify external Web services to which Service Controller sends service requests.
- HTTP network access points, which specify connection-level settings for the Web services communications, such as the port on which Service Controller listens for HTTP traffic and security settings for connections.
- Specific settings for SOAP-based or REST-based HTTP connections.

The Processing Tier components that rely on the Web Services SSU are the Web Services IM (WS-IM) and Service Controller applications, such as Top Up or Subscriber Provisioning. These applications expose SOAP APIs that clients use to configure and manage their services.

Enabling access to the SOAP APIs involves the following general configuration steps:

1. Opening an HTTP listening port in the Web Services SSU configuration.
2. Configuring SSL security or authentication requirements for the connection.
3. Configuring an incoming routing rule that directs incoming client requests to the Web Service endpoint within Service Controller.

This chapter provides information about configuring the Web Services SSU. For more information about a particular SOAP API, see the implementation guide applicable to the Service Controller application, such as *Service Controller Subscriber Store User's Guide*.

The following procedures describe how to perform a task in the Administration Console.

## Configuring Incoming Routing Rules

You use the **Incoming Routing Rules** tab to define how the Web Services SSU routes incoming Web service messages to internal Service Controller IMs and other applications.

To configure incoming routing rules for Web service messages:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.
5. In the **SSU WS** tab, click the **Incoming Routing Rules** tab.

The Incoming Routing Rules pane contains a table in which each row represents one Web services endpoint.

6. Click the **New** button.

The New dialog box appears.

7. In the dialog box, provide values for the fields listed in [Table 6–1](#).

**Table 6–1 Web Services Incoming Routing Rules Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Name</b>	A unique name for the routing rule.
<b>Service Name</b>	<p>The service name of the Service Controller Web service endpoint.</p> <p>Setting this field to <b>Any</b> causes all incoming web service messages to be routed to the specified module instance. This value is generally used to create a rule that routes incoming Web services messages to a default IM in the absence of a more specific routing rule.</p> <p>For the incoming routing rules for Service Controller applications that expose SOAP APIs, use the following service names:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>BalanceManagerService</b>: Use for the routing rule for the Top Up and Balance Manager API service.</li><li>■ <b>SubscriberProvisioning</b>: Use for the routing rule for the Subscriber Provisioning API service.</li></ul>

**Table 6–1 (Cont.) Web Services Incoming Routing Rules Parameters**

Field	Description
Alias	<p>A logical name that specifies the Service Controller IM or application to which the Web Services SSU routes an incoming Web services message. The format differs depending upon whether you are routing to an internal service or an IM.</p> <p>The alias has the following format for IMs:  <code>ssu:IM_instance_name.IM_type@domain_id</code></p> <p>The alias has the following format for internal service:  <code>ssu:domain_IdIapplication_id</code></p> <p>Where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <i>IM_instance_name</i>: Name of the destination IM instance. This is the IM name you specified when you added this IM in the IM configuration pane.</li> <li>■ <i>IM_type</i>: Type of the destination IM instance.</li> <li>■ <i>domain-id</i>: Name of the Processing Domain or Processing Domain Group where the relevant IM or application is deployed. This parameter is required only when your Service Controller deployment includes two or more Processing Domains.</li> </ul> <p>Use the name given to the domain when it was created. This name is specified by the <code>axia.domain.id</code> property.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <i>application_id</i>: Name of the destination Service Controller application.</li> </ul> <p>This is a static name assigned to each Service Controller application. This is <b>topup</b> for the Balance Manager API service and <b>provisioning</b> for the Subscriber Provisioning API service.</p> <p>For the Service Controller SOAP API services, use the following alias values (given the default domain ID of <b>ocsb</b>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>ssu:ocsb/topup</b>: The alias for the Balance Manager API service.</li> <li>■ <b>ssu:ocsb/provisioning</b>: The alias for the Subscriber Provisioning API service.</li> </ul>

8. Click **OK** to save the new incoming routing rule configuration.

## Configuring Outgoing Routing Rules

You use the **Outgoing Routing Rules** tab to define how the Web Services SSU routes outgoing Web service messages to external Web service endpoints.

In the rule, you specify the address of each external Web service endpoint and assign an alias to each endpoint. IMs and Service Controller applications use the alias to refer to an external Web service destination.

The Web Services SSU distributes messages among different Web service endpoints that share the same alias using the weighted load strategy. This strategy determines a Web service endpoint that receives a message based on the weight that you assign to the endpoint. The weight determines a relative share of the traffic that the Web service endpoint should receive. For example, you defined two endpoints whose weight is 100 and 200 correspondingly. The endpoint with the weight of 100 receives 1/3 of the traffic, while the endpoint with the weight of 200 receives the remaining 2/3 of the traffic.

If a Web service endpoint fails, the Web Services SSU redistributes the traffic among remaining Web service endpoints according to their weight.

You can define a Web service endpoint that receives traffic if other endpoints whose weight is greater than zero, fail. This endpoint is known as secondary Web service endpoint, and its weight is always zero. If in the example above, you add one more endpoint whose weight is set to zero, the Web Services SSU sends messages to this endpoint only if the endpoints whose weight is set to 100 and 200 correspondingly, fail.

If you define multiple Web service endpoints with secondary priority, the Web Services SSU distributes traffic equally among them.

The weighted load strategy enables you to control the traffic distribution depending on capabilities of Web service endpoints. For example, if a Web service endpoint runs a more powerful server, this endpoint can serve more traffic, then you would set its load weight relatively higher.

To configure outgoing routing rules for Web service messages:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** tab.
5. In the **SSU WS** tab, click the **Outgoing Routing Rules** tab.

The Outgoing Routing Rules pane contains a table in which each row represents one Web services endpoint.

6. Click the **New** button.

The New dialog box appears.

7. In the dialog box, provide values for the fields listed in [Table 6–2](#).

**Table 6–2 Web Services Outgoing Routing Rules Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Name</b>	A unique routing rule name.
<b>Alias</b>	A logical name that you assign to the Web services endpoint.
<b>Web Service URI</b>	The Uniform Resource Identifiers (URI) used to address the Web services endpoint. The format of the address is similar to Web Uniform Resource Locators (URLs). For example: <b>http://webservices.example.com/eventnotification</b>
<b>Weight</b>	Specifies the relative load weight for the Web service endpoint. Default value: 0
<b>Heartbeat</b>	Whether the Web Services SSU periodically checks the Web services endpoint availability. Select <b>ON</b> to activate periodic availability check, or <b>OFF</b> to disable it.
<b>Heartbeat Method</b>	The HTTP method used to check endpoint availability. Service Controller supports the <b>GET</b> only. If the Heartbeat field to <b>OFF</b> this field is ignored.
<b>Response Timeout</b>	The amount of time, in seconds, Service Controller waits for a response from the Web services endpoint before the endpoint is considered unavailable. If the Heartbeat field to <b>OFF</b> this field is ignored.

**Table 6–2 (Cont.) Web Services Outgoing Routing Rules Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Active Interval</b>	The amount of time, in seconds, between consecutive endpoint availability checks if the last availability check showed that the endpoint was available.
<b>Inactive Interval</b>	The amount of time, in seconds, between consecutive endpoint availability checks if the last availability check showed that the endpoint was unavailable.

8. Click **OK** to save the new outgoing rule configuration.

## Configuring HTTP Access Settings

To enable HTTP connections between Service Controller and external entities, you must configure the HTTP connection settings in the Web Services SSU.

The HTTP connection settings specify the port on which Service Controller listens for HTTP requests, timeout settings, security requirements, and general connection settings.

## Configuring HTTP Server General Settings

The general HTTP server settings apply to connections to Service Controller through the Web Services SSU that are initiated by an external client.

To specify general timeout settings:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.
5. Click the **HTTP** tab.

The General configuration pane under the Server subtab appears.

6. Set the value of the **Timeout** field to the maximum number of milliseconds that Service Controller can use to process a request. If this time expires, Service Controller returns an error response to the client.

Set to any value from 1000 and 60000. The default is 30000.

7. Click **Apply** to save your change.

## Configuring HTTP Server Network Access Settings

The network access point specifies the port on which the Web Services SSU listens for HTTP traffic, including HTTP traffic in the form of SOAP and REST messages.

To configure HTTP server network access settings:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.

5. Click the **HTTP** tab.
6. In the **Server** subtab, click the **Network Access** subtab.
7. Click the **New** button.  
The New dialog box appears.
8. In the dialog box, provide values for the fields listed in [Table 6–3](#).

**Table 6–3 HTTP Network Access Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Server Address</b>	The local IP address or hostname bound to this HTTP listener.
<b>Server Port</b>	An available port number on which the Signaling Server listens for HTTP traffic. Be sure to avoid entering a port number already in use by the system.
<b>Protocol</b>	The protocol used for the port, either <b>HTTP</b> or <b>HTTPS</b> for Secure HTTP.
<b>SSL Client Auth</b>	Whether to enable SSL client authentication for this access point.  Set to <b>true</b> to enable SSL client authentication. Enable SSL client authentication only if this network access point uses HTTPS protocol. If enabled, clients attempting to connect to this access point must present a client certificate that matches one in the truststore.  Set to <b>false</b> to disable SSL client authentication.  For more information on security, see <i>Service Controller Security Guide</i> .
<b>Keystore ID</b>	The identifier of the security keystore for the connection in the Credential Store. Only applicable if this network access point uses HTTPS.  See <i>Service Controller Security Guide</i> for more information on using the Credential Store.
<b>Truststore ID</b>	The identifier of the security truststore in the Credential Store. Only applicable if this network access point uses HTTPS.  See <i>Service Controller Security Guide</i> for more information on using the Credential Store.
<b>Target</b>	The target Signaling Server to which this configuration applies. If empty, it applies to all servers.

9. Click **OK** to save the new HTTP access configuration.

## Creating or Modifying HTTP Server Security Contexts

You use the Security Context tab to apply authentication requirements to the resources exposed by Service Controller through the Web Services SSU. When authentication is required, Service Controller validates the credentials provided in incoming requests.

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**Note:** The HTTP server security context applies HTTP Basic Authentication or HTTP Digest Authentication requirements to requests. Alternatively, you can require credentials in the form of Web Service Security (WSSE) UsernameToken credentials. See ["Authenticating SOAP Requests with WSSE UsernameToken Credentials"](#) for more information.

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You associate a security requirement to a resource by configuring a security context by URI path.

For instance, the default REST root URI context is exposed at **/rest**. If HTTP Basic Auth is enabled for this address, any resource available under the REST root URI (such as **/rest/subscriber**) has the same requirement, unless a more specific security context applies to it.

To configure a security context for HTTP access:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.
5. Click the **HTTP** tab.
6. In the **Server** subtab, click the **Security Context** subtab.
7. In the Security Context pane, you can either:
  - Click **New** to create a new context.
  - Select an existing context in the list and click **Update** to modify its values.
8. In the dialog box, provide values for the fields listed in [Table 6–4](#).

**Table 6–4 HTTP Security Context Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Context URI</b>	The URI to which the security requirement applies.
<b>Auth Method</b>	The authentication method applied to the resource. Options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>NONE</b>: No authentication is required.</li> <li>■ <b>BASIC</b>: HTTP Basic Authentication is required to access the resource.</li> <li>■ <b>DIGEST</b>: HTTP Digest Authentication is required to access the resource.</li> </ul>
<b>Realm</b>	The security realm value to be presented to clients who do not provide credentials.
<b>Username</b>	The required user name to be included in the requests.
<b>Credential Key</b>	A key that identifies the credential in the Credential Store. This key is a name for the credential provided when loading the password associated with the user in the Credential Store.  See <i>Service Controller Security Guide</i> for more information on the Credential Store.

9. Click **OK** to save the new security context configuration.

## Configuring HTTP Client Settings

The HTTP client settings apply to outgoing connections. In this case, Service Controller acts as a client to external HTTP servers through the Web Services SSU.

To configure HTTP client settings:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.

3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.
5. Click the **HTTP** tab.
6. Click the **Client** tab.
7. Modify, if required, the default settings for the outgoing connection listed in [Table 6-5](#).

**Table 6-5 HTTP Client Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Connect Timeout</b>	The amount of time, in milliseconds, Service Controller allows for establishing an HTTP connection to a remote server. If the timeout expires before receiving data, the connect attempt is abandoned.  The default value is 50000 milliseconds. Value must be from 1000 to 60000.
<b>Read Timeout</b>	The amount of time, in milliseconds, Service Controller allows for reading data from a remote server on the established connection. If the timeout expires, the read attempt is aborted.  The default value is 30000 milliseconds. Value must be from 1000 to 60000.

8. Click **Apply** to save your changes to the configuration.

## Configuring SOAP Web Service Access

As an HTTP-based protocol, SOAP is subject to the common HTTP connection settings configured in the HTTP tab. These include, for example, the port on which Service Controller listens for HTTP traffic, Basic Authentication security, and so on. See ["Configuring HTTP Access Settings"](#) for information on configuring common HTTP access settings.

In addition, you can configure specific settings that apply to SOAP-based communication with external SOAP clients or servers.

## Configuring SOAP Server Settings

The SOAP server settings apply to client connections to Service Controller in which Service Controller acts as the Web Service provider or server front-end. These include connections made to the Subscriber Profile API and Balance Manager API services.

To enable the SOAP services, you must configure HTTP access settings. You can then configure specific settings for SOAP access as described in this section.

### Configuring Common SOAP Server Settings

To configure general SOAP access settings:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.
5. Click the **SOAP** tab.



The Server settings pane appears.

6. Verify and, if required, modify the default settings listed in [Table 6-6](#).

**Table 6-6 SOAP Server Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Root URI</b>	<p>The path root for the SOAP API services provided by Service Controller. The default is <b>/soap</b>.</p> <p>Together with the service location, this root path forms the complete URI for accessing the SOAP resource at the Service Controller Signaling Domain.</p> <p>For example, given the default path for the root URI and Subscriber Provisioning service, the full path would be:</p> <p><code>https://hostname:port/soap/SubscriberProvisioning</code></p>
<b>Timeout</b>	<p>The maximum amount of time, in milliseconds, Service Controller may take to generate a response before returning an error response to the client.</p> <p>The default value is 10000 milliseconds. Values can be from 1000 to 60000.</p>

7. Click **Apply** to save your changes to the configuration.

### Configuring the URI Path for a Specific SOAP Service

To view or change the URI path of a SOAP service, follow these steps:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Select the name of the service for which you want to modify the existing URI path, either **Subscriber Provisioning** or **Balance Manager**.
5. In the **End Point** tab, click the URI context for the service.
6. Click the **Update** button.
7. Set the **URI** field to the value of the new path. The path value should be preceded by a slash character, as in the default value.
 

By default, this is **/SubscriberProvisioning** for the Subscriber Provisioning SOAP service, and **/BalanceManagerService** for the Balance Manager SOAP service. Together with the root URI path, this path makes up the URI at which clients address the SOAP service.
8. Click **OK**.

See "[Authenticating SOAP Requests with WSSE UsernameToken Credentials](#)" for information on configuring the authentication fields for the SOAP service.

### Configuring SOAP Client Parameters

The SOAP client settings apply to outgoing connections. In this case, Service Controller acts as a client to external SOAP Web service providers.

To configure SOAP client settings:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.

2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.
5. Click the **SOAP** tab.
6. Click the **Client** subtab.
7. Enter values for the fields listed in [Table 6-7](#).

**Table 6-7 SOAP Client Parameters**

Field	Description
<b>Connect Timeout</b>	<p>The amount of time, in milliseconds, Service Controller allows for establishing a connection to a remote server. If the timeout expires before Service Controller establishes the connection, the connect attempt is abandoned.</p> <p>The default value is <b>5000</b>. Values can be from 1000 to 60000. To disable time outs, set this value to <b>0</b>.</p>
<b>Read Timeout</b>	<p>The amount of time, in milliseconds, Service Controller allows for reading data from a remote server on an established connection. If the timeout expires, the read attempt is aborted.</p> <p>The default value is <b>30000</b>. Values can be from 1000 to 60000. To disable time outs, set the value to <b>0</b>.</p>

8. Click **Apply** to save your changes to the configuration.

## Authenticating SOAP Requests with WSSE UsernameToken Credentials

Service Controller can authenticate incoming SOAP requests that contain WSSE UsernameToken credentials, as specified by OASIS UsernameToken Profile 1.0. For general information on WSSE UsernameToken, see the OASIS Web Service Security specifications at:

<http://www.oasis-open.org/>

You enable WSSE UsernameToken credential requirement by SOAP service. That is, it can be enabled for the Subscriber Provisioning service and disabled for the Balance Manager service, for example.

A service that requires WSSE UsernameToken authentication should not be configured to require an HTTP Basic Authentication credential as well. See "[Creating or Modifying HTTP Server Security Contexts](#)" for more information about HTTP Basic Authentication security contexts.

Service Controller validates the WSSE UsernameToken credential against credentials stored in the Service Controller Credential Store. Before configuring service authentication as described below, add the credential to be authenticated to the Credential Store. See *Service Controller Security Guide* for information about the Credential Store.

To apply WSSE UsernameToken credential authentication to incoming SOAP service requests, follow these steps:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.

4. Click the **General** item.
5. Click the **SOAP** tab.
6. Click the **Credential Store** subtab.
7. In the **Key** field, enter an alias for the credential.
8. In the **Password** field, enter the password value for the credential.
9. Verify that HTTP Basic Authentication is disabled for the underlying HTTP security context for the SOAP service as follows:
  - a. Click the **HTTP** tab under the SSU Web Services node.
  - b. In the **Server** subtab, click the **Security Context** subtab.
  - c. Verify that the **Auth Method** value is **NONE** for the Context URI path applicable to the Web service. By default, the context path for all SOAP Web services exposed by Service Controller is **/soap**.
  - d. If necessary, select the security context item and click the **Update** button to change the Auth Method.
10. Under the **OCSB** navigation tree, expand, if necessary, the **Signaling Tier** node and then the **SSU Web Services** node.
11. Click the name of the service for which you want to require WSSE UsernameToken authentication, either **BALANCE MANAGER** or **SUBSCRIBER PROVISIONING**.
12. In the End Point tab, click the URI context for the service.
13. Click the **Update** button.
14. For the **Authentication Method** value, choose **USERNAME\_TOKEN**.
15. For the **Username** value, enter the user name portion of the credential to be authenticated by WSSE UsernameToken authentication.
16. For the **Credential Key** value, enter the credential alias you used when storing the password to be validated into the Credential Store.
17. Click **OK** to save your changes to the configuration.

Clients of the service must submit valid WSSE UsernameToken credentials with their service requests.

## Configuring REST Web Service Access

As an HTTP-based protocol, REST-based communication is subject to the common HTTP connection settings configured in the HTTP tab. These include, for example, the port on which Service Controller listens for HTTP traffic, Basic Authentication security, and so on. See "[Configuring HTTP Access Settings](#)" for information on configuring common HTTP access settings.

In addition, you can configure specific settings that apply to REST-based communication with external REST clients or servers.

## Configuring REST Server Parameters

The REST server settings apply to client connections made to Service Controller in which Service Controller acts as the server or server front-end for a REST API service.

To configure REST server settings:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.
5. Click the **REST** tab.
6. In the **Server** tab, verify and, if required, modify the default settings listed in [Table 6–8](#).

**Table 6–8 REST Server Parameters**

Field	Description
Root URI	<p>The URI path at which Service Controller exposes REST APIs. This path value forms the root of the address that clients use to access REST resources.</p> <p>For example, given the default path of <b>/rest</b>, the full address of a REST resource would be:</p> <p><code>https://hostname:port/rest/subscriber/carol</code></p>
Timeout	<p>The amount of idle time, in milliseconds, after which Service Controller releases a client connection on which it is awaiting data.</p> <p>The default value is 10000 milliseconds. Values can be from 1000 to 60000. To disable timeout, set the timeout to 0.</p>

7. Click **Apply** to save your changes to the configuration.

## Configuring REST Client Parameters

The REST client settings apply to outgoing connections. In this case, Service Controller acts as a client to external REST Web service providers.

To configure REST client settings:

1. In the navigation tree in the domain navigation pane, expand **OCSB**.
2. Expand **Signaling Tier**.
3. Expand the **SSU Web Services** node.
4. Click the **General** item.
5. Click the **REST** tab.
6. Click the **Client** subtab.
7. Verify and, if required, modify the default settings listed in [Table 6–9](#).

**Table 6–9 REST Client Parameters**

Field	Description
Connect Timeout	<p>The amount of time, in milliseconds, Service Controller allows to establish a connection to a remote server. If the timeout expires before receiving data, the connection attempt is abandoned.</p> <p>The default value is <b>5000</b>. Values can be from 1000 to 60000. To disable timeout, set the timeout to 0.</p>

**Table 6–9 (Cont.) REST Client Parameters**

Field	Description
Read Timeout	<p>The amount of time, in milliseconds, Service Controller allows for reading data from a remote server on an established connection. If the timeout expires, the read attempt is abandoned.</p> <p>The default value is 30000 milliseconds. Values can be from 1000 to 60000. To disable timeout, set the timeout to 0.</p>

8. Click **Apply** to save your changes to the configuration.

