

Senturus Analytics Connector Version 3.0

Installation and Configuration Guide



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1. Install Senturus Analytics Connector

Senturus provides two different connectors: Analytics Connector and Analytics Connector Server. The first one is a standalone ODBC driver, and the second one can run as a Windows service that serves ODBC requests from Senturus Analytics Connector Client.

Senturus also provides Analytics Connector Client installer to work together with Analytics Connector Server. For information of installing client, please refer to Senturus Analytics Connector User Guide.

Although you can install both on the same computer, we do not recommend you do so, since they may interfere with each other.

You can use Analytics Connector Server as a standalone ODBC driver, but doing that may interfere with the Windows service process.

We will use Analytics Connector Server as an example to walk you through the installation processes because the processes of installing standalone Analytics Connector is the same, except you do not need to define Windows service parameters.

1.1. Installation Wizard

Senturus will send you an email with download link, either from Senturus.com or from sendowl.com email address. Click on the link to open a browser.

C Reply Reply All C Forward



Hi,

Thanks for purchasing the Senturus Analytics Connector. This email confirms your order of the following items:

AnalyticsConnector_3.0_x64.exe x 1

Your Order ID is 0028191554

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You can download the Connector software from 
<u>https://transactions.sendowl.com/orders/28191554/download/b77090cc55f0b0fffd6e5a928ce70f53</u> This link may be 
used up to 3 times before it expires.
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Thanks,

The Team at Senturus

Click on download button and save it select save it to your local drive.

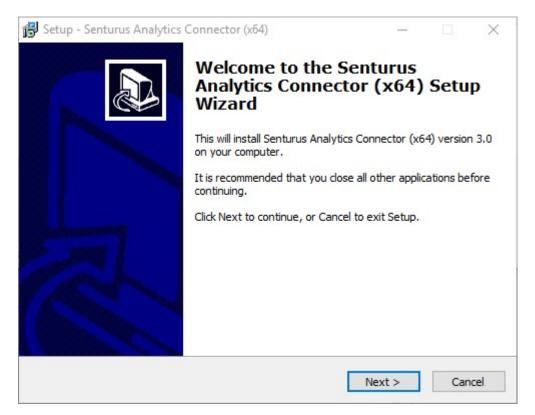
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Once downloaded, go to the folder and run "AnalyticsConnectorServer_3.0_x64.exe" with administrator privilege. You may get a warning from Windows Defender SmartScreen. Click on More info and then Run anyway button.

Windows protected your PC	×	
Windows Defender SmartScreen prevented an unrecognized app from starting. Running this app might put your PC at risk. <u>More info</u>		
Don't run		

Wind	dows protected your PC	×
	s Defender SmartScreen prevented an unrecognized app from Running this app might put your PC at risk.	
	AnalyticsConnector_3.0_x64.exe ar Senturus, Inc.	
	Run anyway Don't run	

Click Next on the welcome page.



Installer needs to extract some files to temporary directory. These files are required by other pages later. Once all temporary files are copied over, click Next.

1달 Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector (x64)	
Parepare Installing Copying some files to temporary directory.	
< Back Next >	Cancel

If any prerequisite software is missing, you will be prompted to download and install prerequisite software first¹. Otherwise installer jumps to Select Destination Location page directly.

B ^J Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector Server (x64)	
Check Prerequisite Software Some prerequisite software are missing and need to be installed.	
Senturus Analytics Connector Server (x64) requires following software t before starting its own installation process.	to be installed
Microsoft NET Framework 4.5	
Microsoft Visual C++ 2015 Redistributable (x64)	
Click on Next to continue, or Cancel to exit this installation.	
Next >	Cancel

¹ If you don't have internet access, download and install prerequisites manually. See 1.3 for detail.

Click Next to start downloading prerequisite software installers from the internet.

^J Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector Server (x64)	
Downloading additional files Please wait while Setup is downloading additional files	
Downloading	20.39 of 67.16 MB
	Details
	Next > Cancel

Click Next once all installers are downloaded. You will see "Installing Prerequisite Software" installer window.

15 Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector Server (x64)	
Installing Prerequisite Software Downloading and intalling prerequisite software that are missing.	
Following software are being downloaded and installed.	
Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5 Microsoft Visual C++ 2015 Redistributable (x64)	
This may take a while, please be patient.	
< Back	> Cancel

You will see the progress dialog while MS .NET 4.5 and MS Visual C++ 2012 Redistribute (x64) are being installed.

Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5.2	Σ
Installation Progress Please wait while the .NET Framework is be	ing installed.
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Downloading netfx_Full_LDR.mzz	
Installation progress:	0
Installing necessary components for .NET F	ramework
	Cancel
Microsoft Visual C++ 2015 Redistributable	(x64) - 14.0.24215 Setup 🕞 💷
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Microsoft Visua	I C++ 2015
Redistributable	(x64) - 14.0.24215
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Processing: Microsoft Visual C++ 2015 x64	Minimum Runtime - 14.0.24215
	Cancel

Once all prerequisite software is installed, click Next.

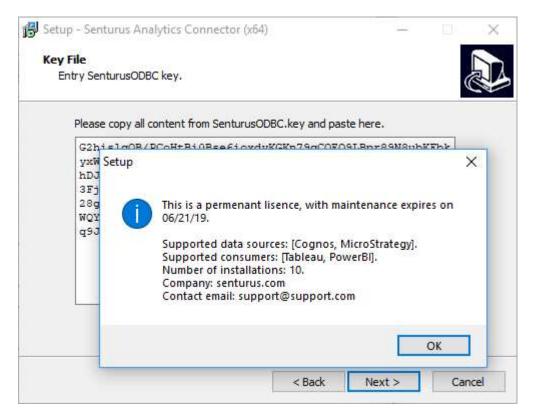
Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector Server (x6	64)
Installing Prerequisite Software Downloading and intalling prerequisite software	that are missing.
Following software are being downloaded and in	nstalled.
Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5	
Microsoft Visual C++ 2015 Redistributable (x64))
This may take a while, please be patient.	
	< Back Next > Cancel

Installer will start Senturus Analytics Connector install after prerequisite software is installed. Select installation location. Default is "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector", click Next.

j글 Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector Server (x64)	- 0 🔀
Select Destination Location Where should Senturus Analytics Connector Server (x64) be installed?	
Setup will install Senturus Analytics Connector Server (x64) in folder.	-7. 0.0
To continue, dick Next. If you would like to select a different folder, di	ck Browse.
	Londen
At least 288.8 MB of free disk space is required.	
< <u>B</u> ack Next >	Cancel

You should get a SenturusODBC.key file from Senturus, open it in a text editor (for example notepad), copy all content and paste in Key File page. If you already have SenturusODBC.key file in the installation

directory, installer will read it and automatically populate the content here. Click Next. Installer will pop up a message window displaying your license key information. Review it and click on OK.



If you your license key entitles you to connect to Cognos as data source, you will get a page below. Select the version and fix packs level of the Cognos server you want to connect to, click Next.

Cognos BI Server Version	
Please select the version of Cognos BI server that you will be connect	ing to.
Cognos BI Server version:	
1	-
Cognos 10.2.0	
Cognos 10.2.0 with fix pack	
Cognos 10.2.1	
Cognos 10.2.1 with fix pack	
Cognos 10.2.2	
Cognos 10.2.2 with fix pack	
Cognos 11.0	
Cognos 11.0.1	
Cognos 11.0.2	
Cognos 11.0.3	
Cognos 11.0.4	
Cognos 11.0.5	
Cognos 11.0.6 Cognos 11.0.7	
Cognos 11.0.7	
Cognos 11.0.9	
Cognos 11.0.10	
Cognos 11.0.11	Cancel

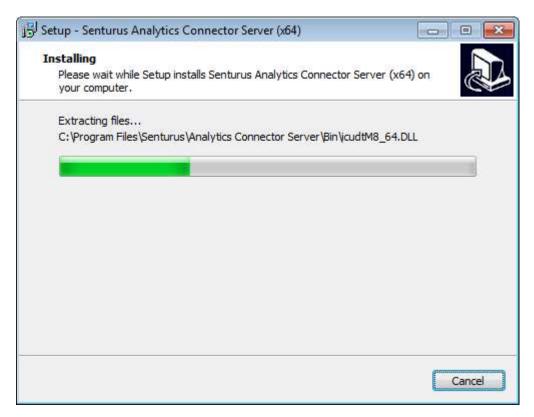
Use the default port number 1543 or type in a different free port number. Take a note of the port number that you will need when connecting to this server using Analytics Connector Client. Click Next.

Betup - Senturus Analytics Con	nector Server (x64)	
Configure Service Configure Senturus Analytics C	Connector as a Windows service.	
Please enter port number:	1543	
	< <u>B</u> ack	lext > Cancel

Review installation options, click Install, and then click OK once it is done.

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n, or click Back if you want to review or	
Connector Server	*
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Installing.



Click Finish.



1.2. Silent Installation

To perform a silent installation, execute the following command:

```
AnalyticsConnectorServer_3.0_x64.exe /SILENT /DIR="C:\Program
Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector Server" /CognosVersion="Cognos 11.0.5"
/ServicePort="1543" /LicenseKey="SenturusODBC.key"
```

"/SILENT" instructs installer to do a silent installation.

"/DIR=" defines the installation directory. This is an optional parameter, the default value, if not provided via command line, is "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector."

"CognosVersion" tells installer the version and fix pack level of the Cognos BI server you want to connect to. This is a mandatory parameter. For a complete list of all target versions, please run installer in interactive mode and check the options.

"ServicePort" defines the port number that Windows service will listen to.

"LicenseKey" provides Senturus ODBC license key to the installer.

The command above will bring installation progress dialog though. So if you want to suppress the progress dialog as well, replace /SILENT with /VERYSILENT.

1.3. Install Prerequisite Manually

If you do not have internet access, or your access to prerequisite installers are blocked, you may need to download and install prerequisites manually before install Senturus Analytics Connector.

On another computer where you can download prerequisite installers, download Microsoft .net Framework 4.5 from https://download.microsoft.com/download/6/A/A/6AA4EDFF-645B-48C5-81CC-ED5963AEAD48/vc_redist.x64.exe (64bit) or https://download.microsoft.com/download/9/3/F/93FCF1E7-E6A4-478B-96E7-D4B285925B00/vc_redist.x86.exe (32bit), and download Microsoft Visual C++ 2015 Redistributable (x64) from https://download.microsoft.com/download/6/A/A/6AA4EDFF-645B-48C5-81CC-ED5963AEAD48/vc_redist.x64.exe, or Microsoft Visual C++ 2015 Redistributable (x86) from https://download.microsoft.com/download/6/A/A/6AA4EDFF-645B-48C5-81CC-ED5963AEAD48/vc_redist.x86.exe. or Microsoft Visual C++ 2015 Redistributable (x86) from https://download.microsoft.com/download/6/A/A/6AA4EDFF-645B-48C5-81CC-ED5963AEAD48/vc_redist.x86.exe. Copy to your target computer and install them by running these executables. Once those prerequisites are installed, you can launch Senturus Analytics Connector installer.

1.4. Update License Key

In case you need to update license key, upgrade from a trail key to licensed key, copy the new SenturusODBC.key to the installation directory (default "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector" and overwrite the old one.

1.5. Uninstall Analytics Connector

You can uninstall Analytics Connector either from Windows "Uninstall a program" control panel, or go to "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector" directory and double click unins000.exe.

1.6. Upgrade or reinstall Analytics Connector

If you need to upgrade Analytics Connector to another version, or simply need to upgrade Cognos SDK version (when you upgrade your Cognos BI server, Analytics Connector may stop working since it still use the old Cognos SDK jars), we recommend you to do an uninstallation first then run installer again. The process is the same of installation, except that installer will automatically pick your SenturusODBC.key license from installation directory.

Installer will back up your DataSourceConfig.xml as DataSourceConfig.xml.backup during installation if there is one, so you can reuse it if you want. First, delete DataSoruceConfig.xml, then rename DataSourceConfig.xml.backup to DateSourceConfig.xml (by removing .backup suffix).

2. DataSourceConfig.xml

To connect to BI servers, you need to tell Senturus Analytics Connector some basic information.

For Cognos, these include:

- Dispatcher URL
- Authentication namespace ID or anonymous
- Login username and password
- Search path of the package you want to connect to
- Report folders from where to pull reports
- Other information, for example format of CSV outputs, data source connections

For MicroStrategy, these include:

- Intelligence Server host name/ip and port
- Login mode
- Login username and password
- Project name

However, some of this information is not obvious to general business users. That is where DataSourceConfig.xml is helpful.

DataSourceConfig.xml lets you map the above information into a cleaner and more user-friendly presentation. After installing Senturus Analytics Connector, you will find the default DataSourceConfig.xml under the root installation directory (default "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector"). Take a look at it, consult your Cognos and/or MicroStrategy administrator for all the information mentioned above and change the values as you need. You can use any text/xml editor or you can use our GUI editor to edit this file. Please refer to section Create and Update ODBC Data Source for more information. The screenshot below shows the default DataSourceConfig.xml.

```
<dataSources>
    <server name="cognos" type="Cognos" namespaces="Senturus,LDAP,AD" autoReconnect="fals"</pre>
            dispatcher="http://192.168.1.224:9300/p2pd/servlet/dispatch, http://192.168.1
            authenticationClass="com.senturus.cognos.DispatcherAuthentication">
        <database name="GO Sales (query)" package="/content/folder[@name='Samples']/folde</pre>
            <dataSourceConnection path="CAMID(&quot;:&quot;)/dataSource[@name='great outd</pre>
            <reportFolder name="Sample Reports" path="/content/folder[@name='Samples']/fo
            <reportFolder name="Connector Reports" path="/content/folder[@name='Connector
        </database>
        <database name="GO Sales (analysis)" package="/content/folder[@name='Samples']/fo</pre>
        <setting name="RSVP.CSV.ENCODING" value="utf-16le"/>
        <setting name="RSVP.CSV.DELIMITER" value="TAB"/>
        <setting name="RSVP.CSV.QUALIFIER" value="&quot;"/>
        <setting name="RSVP.CSV.TERMINATOR" value="LF"/>
    </server>
    <server name="mstr" type="MicroStrategy" host="192.168.1.243:34952" loginModes="Stand</pre>
        <database name="Tutorial" project="MicroStrategy Tutorial" />
        <database name="tdvt" project="tdvt" />
    </server>
</dataSources>
```

server element: this defines a connection to one Cognos or MicroStrategy BI server.

@type: either Cognos or MicroStrategy.

@name: the user-friendly name that shows in Login dialog.

@dispatcher: (for Cognos only) the URL string points to Cognos dispatcher. To support fail over, you can specify multiple dispatchers separated by commas. Note: always put the more reliable dispatchers in front because this connector will try each dispatchers in the order they are specified here.

@namespacesⁱ: (for Cognos only) comma separated list of Cognos namespace IDs. Leave this blank if you want to log into Cognos anonymously.

@autoReconnect: Cognos and MicroStrategy server may disconnect clients after a period of inactive time. Set autoReconnect to true if you want this connector to automatically reconnect to BI server. Default value is false.

@authenticationClass: (for Cognos only) the default value is

com.senturus.cognos.DispatcherAuthentication, which works in most cases where you can log into Cognos dispatcher directly with namespace/uid/password combination. However, in cases where users cannot login dispatcher directly, for example namespace is a LDAP using external identity from Windows/IIS authentication, then you can use another class

com.senturus.cognos.NTLMAuthentication, instead. For other authentication scenario, contact Senturus for help.

@linkColumnName: Tableau does not allow you to drop tables into data source without a join to other existing tables. But when using Cognos package or MicroStrategy project metadata, there is no need (or impossible) to define joins. Analytics Connector creates an extra column in each table so you can join these link columns to satisfy Tableau. Before version 2.4, the column is named as _LINK_COLUMN_. But since Tableau automatically picks join column by their alphabetic orders, so _LINK_COLUMN_ column pairs may not be its first choice. Since version 2.4, you can choose from AAA_LINK and _LINK_COLUMN_ as link column names.

@host: (for MicroStrategy only) the host name or IP and port number of MicroStrategy Intelligence server.

@loginModes: (for MicroStrategy only) comma separated list of the login modes of MicroStrategy Intelligence server. Only standard and LDAP are support.

database element: this defines a published package in Cognos Connection or a project in MicroStrategy.
@name: the user-friendly name that shows in Login dialog.
@package: (for Cognos only) the search path of this Cognos package.
@project: (for MicroStrategy only) the name of MicroStrategy project.

dataSourceConnection element: (for Cognos only) Cognos packages reference data sources and one data source may have multiple data source connections. If users have access to more than one connection, you need to specify which connection to use when running reports. Omit this element if users have access to only one connection.

@Path: the search path of data source connection.

reportFolder element: You can define from which folder you want to pull Cognos reports, report views and queries, and present them as tables within an ODBC schema. For MicroStrategy, grid report and intelligence cube will be pulled from defined folder.

@name: the name of schema that will show in ODBC.

@Path: the search path of Cognos folder.

@includeSubFolders: set this to true to include reports in sub folders recursively.

setting element: (for Cognos only) Cognos administrators can customize CSV output formatⁱⁱ instead of using Cognos defaults. Setting elements pass these customizations to Senturus Analytics Connector so it can consume Cognos output correctly.

You can also customize which levels/attributes to retrieve from cube data sources, using setting elements.

The default DataSourceConfig.xml lists the default Cognos settings, so you can leave them as is or remove one or all of them if your Cognos server uses default.

3. Configure Senturus Analytics Connector

3.1. SenturusODBC license

This connector needs a license file to function. If you do not have a license key, or the license is expired, you will get an error in Tableau as shown below:

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	An error occurred while communicating with Generic ODBC Database. Unable to connect to the server. Check that the server is running and that you have access privileges to the requested database.	
	se file 'C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector Server\SenturusODBC.key' not exists or ccessible. Please contact support@senturus.com or (888)601-6010x804 for assistance.	8
	ric ODBC requires additional configuration. The driver and DSN (data source name) must be led and configured to match the connection.	
	le to connect to the server "Senturus Analytics Connector". Check that the server is running ar you have access privileges to the requested database.	nd
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Go to S	ipport	
(Dy OK Hide De	Faile

To resolve this problem, contact Senturus for a new license file (SenturusODBC.key) and place it under "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector" directory.

3.2. Configure DataSourceConfig.xml

After installation, a sample DataSourceConfig.xml is created in "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector" (Analytics Connector Server if you installed server version). You need to configure this based on your environment so that you can connect to your Cognos/MicroStrategy servers.

You can use any text editor to edit DataSourceConfig.xml if you are confident with XML editing. Or you can use our GUI tool to configure it.

The first option is to execute "SenturusDataSourceConfig.exe." Open a File Explorer, go to "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector\Bin" directory, right click on "SenturusDataSourceConfig.exe" and select "Run as administrator." You will see a "Available Connections" window pop up and from there you can configure your DataSourceConfig.xml.

The other way to load this window is via Windows ODBC DSN administrator control, which we will discuss later.

In "Available Connections" dialog, you can create new, configure existing or delete a connection. The connection list represents server elements in DataSourceConfig.xml.

Server	Туре	New
cognos	Cognos	Configure
ocalhost nstr10	Cognos Micro Strategy	Delete
		Ē

If you click New, you will be prompted to select server type before Edit Cognos/MicroStrategy Connection dialog.

Senturus Analytics Connector Configuration	×
Select server type: Cognos C MicroStrategy	
OK Cancel	

Based on the server type, either Edit Cognos Connection dialog or Edit MicroStrategy Connection dialog will pop up.

Following is the Edit Cognos Connection dialog. It has three tabs: Server, Advanced and Database.

Server tab. You can define server name, dispatcher URLs, namespace IDs and other options. This tab represents server element (without child nodes).

The default authentication class is com.senturus.cognos.DispatcherAuthentication. If Cognos users can authentication themselves via dispatcher by providing user name and password, then you do not need to change it. Otherwise, contact Senturus for help.

Edit Cognos Conn	ection
Server Ac	Ivanced Database
Server Name:	cognos
Dispatcher URL:	http://192.168.1.222:9300/p2pd/servlet/dispatch http://192.168.1.224:9300/p2pd/servlet/dispatch <new></new>
Namespace ID:	LDAP AD <new></new>
Authentication C	lass Name: com.senturus.cognos.DispatcherAuthentication
Link Column Nar	ne: C_LINK_COLUMN_ · AAA_LINK
C Automaticall	y reconnect to Cognos server when it is disconnected by Cognos.
	OK Cancel

Advanced tab lets you define CSV output format, which attributes to show for PowerCube, TM1 and Dynamic Cube data sources, and other settings. It represents setting child nodes under server elements of server element in DataSourceConfig.xml.

Server Advanced Database	
CSV Output Format RSVP.CSV.ENCODING UTF-16LE RSVP.CSV.DELIMITER TAB RSVP.CSV.QUALIFIER "	TM1 Options Show root level Show leaf level for alternate hierarchies Show name
RSVP.CSV.TERMINATOR LF	Show attributes that match following names:
Click here for more information about CSV output format. PowerCube Options Show root level Show category code Show long name Show short name	MEMBER DESCRIPTION, CAPTION_DEFAULT
Show member description Dynamic Cube Options Show root level Show key Show member description	☐ Support unnamed levels Click here for more information about named hierarchy level

Only levels will be mapped to ODBC columns by default. To show them, check corresponding options here. To TM1 level attributes, you can specify the list of names (separated by comma) or list of regex expressions. For example, to show all names in simplified Chinese, specify .*_TC\$ in "show attributes that match following regular expressions."

Senturus Analytics Connection supports both named and unnamed TM1 hierarchy levels. However, if levels are not named in a TM1 hierarchy, connector needs to send a query to Cognos to detect the names of all levels within this hierarchy. This may significantly increase the connecting time if this hierarchy has a lot of elements. As a best practice, we recommended you name all levels in TM1 first. For more information regarding TM1 named hierarchy levels, refer to

https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SS9RXT_10.2.2/com.ibm.swg.ba.cognos.tm1_dg_d vlpr.10.2.2.doc/c_tm1_namedlevels_n0274.html. Database tab. This tab lets you define packages you want to connect to. It represents database and its child elements.

Server Advanced		L	
atabase Name		Package Search Path	
GO Data Warehouse Sales (DC) GO Sales (analysis) GO Sales (query) Great Outdoors Sales (cube)		/content/folder[@name='Samples']/folder[@name='Models']/package [@name='GO Sales (query)']	
inew>		Data Source Connection Search Path	
		CAMID(":")/dataSource[@name='great_outdoors_sales"]/dataSou	urceCon
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eport folder to <mark>database s</mark> Schema Name Sample Reports	Repo	rt Folder Search Path ent/folder[@name='Samples]/folder[@name='Models]/package[Subfolders
Schema Name	Repo		Conception and

Following is the Edit MicroStrategy Connection dialog. It has two tabs: Server and Database.

Server tab. You can define server name, MicroStrategy Intelligence server host and port, login modes and autoReconnect.

	atabase
Server Name:	mstr10
Host and Port:	192.168.1.243:34952 <new></new>
Login Modes:	Standard LDAP Windows <new></new>
 Automaticall 	y reconnect to MicroStrategy server when it is disconnected by server.

Database tab lets you define MicroStrategy project name and mapping database name, as well as report

folders to include in each database.

eport folder to database schema mapping Schema Name Report Folder Path Subfolde Supplier Analytics Shared Reports > Subject Areas > Supplier Analysis I		1		
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	Schema Name Supplier Analytics	Report Folder Path Shared Reports > Su		N
	Schema Name Supplier Analytics	Report Folder Path Shared Reports > Su		N
	Schema Name Supplier Analytics	Report Folder Path Shared Reports > Su		N
	teport folder to database sch Schema Name Supplier Analytics Connector	Report Folder Path Shared Reports > Su		N
	Schema Name Supplier Analytics	Report Folder Path Shared Reports > Su		N
	Schema Name Supplier Analytics	Report Folder Path Shared Reports > Su		N

3.3. ODBC DSN configuration dialog

Like any other ODBC driver, you can define a Data Source Name (DSN) using ODBC administrator and use this DSN in Tableau or other applications.

To create a new DSN, open ODBC administrator GUI (depends on the bitness of connector you installed, choose the correct administrator, 64 bit vs. 32 bit), add a system or user DSN. Select "Senturus Analytics Connector" ² when being prompt for selecting a driver and click Finish.

	Name	Version
	PostgreSQL ANSI(x64)	9.06.02.00
0110	PostgreSQL Unicode(x64)	9.06.02.00
	QuickstartDSIIDriver	9.05.15.1020
	Senturus Analytics Connector	Not marked
	SimbaODBCClientDriver	9.05.15.1020 =
	SQL Server	6.01.7601.17514
	SQL Server Native Client 10.0	2009.100.6000.34
		0011 110 5000 00

² You may also see "Cognos ODBC Driver" in the list. That is the old name used in "Cognos ODBC Driver ver 1.x". It remains for backward compatibility and you should use the new name "Senturus Analytics Connector" in new applications.

If your DataSourceConfig.xml is already configured with some entries, the drop lists in this dialog will be populated based on DataSourceConfig.xml. You can edit and test DSN here.

Data Source Name:	cognos
Server:	cognos 🗸
Namespace:	LDAP 🗸
Username:	user
Password:	
Database:	GO Sales (query)

If you want to add/update/delete something defined in DataSourceConfig.xml, click on "Edit Connections" button on the bottom left corner. This is the second way to edit your DataSourceConfig.xml.

3.4. Deploy Custom DataSourceConfig.xml

As mentioned before, you need to customize DataSourceConfig.xml and you need to save it under "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector" directory to let the driver pick up your settings.

This is a one time work through. If you want other users to access the same Cognos servers and packages, copy your customized DataSourceConfig.xml to the same location on their computer after installation.

3.5. Windows Service

If you installed server version, a Windows service, called "Analytics Connector Server" will be set after installation and its "Startup Type" is set to Automatic. You can edit it based on your requirement after installation.

You can also start this server by running "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector Server\Bin\SenturusODBCServer_64.exe."

3.6. SSL

If you are using SSL over Cognos dispatcher, or using SSL over Cognos gateway and have set authentication class to NTLMAuthentication/SiteMinderBasicAuthentication, then you need to configure trusted store so the Analytics Connector can communicate with your server over SSL. To generate truststore:

- 1. Obtain certificate which is issued to your Cognos server, or any intermediate or root certificate. And save it into your local drive, for example C:\Temp\root.cer.
- 2. Create "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector\SSL" directory if it does not exist.
- 3. Open a prompt window.
- 4. Go to "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector" directory.
- 5. Execute following command: JRE\x64\bin\keytool -import -alias root -file C:\Temp\localhost.cer keystore SSL\truststore -storepass changeit
- 6. Review the information, type "yes" and enter if it looks correct. truststore should be created under "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector\SSL".
- 7. (optional) To verify newly created truststore, execute following command: JRE\x64\bin\keytool -list -v -alias root -keystore SSL\truststore storepass changeit

We use "changeit" as the password for truststore, which also matches the password stored in Windows registry table.

If you want to use a different password, you need not only the password above, but also Windows registry table. This password is stored under key

"HKEY LOCAL MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Senturus\ODBC\Driver", within JNIConfig value.

4. Upgrade from previous versions

4.1. Upgrade from Cognos ODBC Driver 1.x to 2.x

There are several changes compared to version 1, in addition to the name. To upgrade from Cognos ODBC Driver 1.x to Senturus Analytics Driver 2.0, follow the steps below:

- Backup dataSources.xml and SenturusODBC.key under C:\Senturus\ODBC\Cognos directory.
- Uninstall Cognos ODBC Driver 1.x by executing C:\Senturus\ODBC\Cognos\unins000.exe or from Windows Control Panel / Programs / Uninstall a program.
- Install Senturus Analytics Connector 2.0.0.
- Copy SenturusODBC.key to "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector."
- Delete "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector\DataSourceConfig.xml," copy dataSources.xml to "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector" directory and rename it to "DataSourceConfig.xml."
- Open DataSourceConfig.xml in a text editor, add type="Cognos" to all server elements. For example:

```
<server name="cognos" type="Cognos" dispatcher=...>
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Here is the list of changes compared to version 1.x.

- Name is changed from Cognos ODBC Driver to Senturus Analytics Connector. The old driver name is not removed from Windows for backward compatibility, so your old DSN and Tableau workbooks and data sources will keep the function. However, the new driver name is recommend for new applications.
- Default installation is changed from C:\Senturus\ODBC\Cognos to C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector.
- dataSources.xml is renamed to DataSourceConfig.xml, with MicroStrategy server support.
- Cognos report specification logging. In version 1.x, when support="true" attribute is set for server element in dataSources.xml, the driver will log all queries from corresponding Cognos report specification under C:\Senturus\ODBC\Cognos\Support directory. In Senturus Analytics Connector 2.0, when a query failed to execute, this query will be logged in "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector\Log\java.log", and its corresponding Cognos report specification will be written to "C:\Senturus\Analytics Connector\Log\java.log" as well. You can correlate them by query's GUID and report specifications, even those execute successfully, you need to set the logging level to DEBUG or higher. Open "C:\Senturus\Analytics

Connector\Lib\log4j.properties" in text editor, change following line:

log4j.logger.com.senturus=DEBUG

or

log4j.logger.com.senturus.jdbc.cognos.CognosClient=DEBUG

4.2. Upgrade from Analytics Connector 2.3 or earlier

There are two changes since version 2.4.

• version attribute for the root dataSources. This is used to track the version and should be transparent to administrators/users.

 linkColumnName attribute for the root server element. Before version 2.4 (2.3 and earlier), all link column are named as _LINK_COLUMN_. Since 2.4, you can choose AAA_LINK or _LINK_COLUMN_. If you use SenturusDataSourceConfig.exe, the old settings (_LINK_COLUMN_ for existing servers) can be automatically upgraded to version 2.4 and your existing applications/Tableau workbooks will works just fine. But for new servers, AAA_LINK will be used.

Be careful not to switch between these two options or your existing applications may stop working because joins are made with two invalid columns. If you really need to switch, for example to make Tableau automatically pick correct link column, you need to update your applications. For Tableau workbooks and data sources, you can open them in text editor and replace old link column names with new ones.

5. Notes

• This ODBC driver supports 15 Cognos data types and 15 MicroStrategy data types. Please refer to the data type mapping in following table.

Cognos Data Type	MicroStrategy Data Type	ODBC Data Type	Max Length/Precision	Note
int16		smallInt	5	
int32	DssDataTypeInteger DssDataTypeUnsigned	integer	10	
int64		bigInt	19	
float32	DssDataTypeReal DssDataTypeFloat	real	7	
float64	DssDataTypeDouble	double	15	
decimal	DssDataTypeNumeric DssDataTypeDecimal DssDataTypeBigDecimal	decimal	38	
character	DssDataTypeChar	char	8000	
characterLength16	DssDataTypeVarChar	varchar	8000	
nChar	DssDataTypeNChar	nchar	4000	
nVarChar	DssDataTypeNVarChar	nvarchar	4000	
date	DssDataTypeDate	date	10	
time	DssDataTypeTime	time	8	no milliseconds
datetime	DssDataTypeTimeStamp	timestamp	19	no milliseconds
textBlob		varchar	8000	mapped to varchar
unknown		varchar	8000	mapped to varchar

Table 1 Cognos/MicroStrategy to ODBC Data Type Mapping

- This driver has been tested against SQL Server, DB2 and Oracle databases (relational and DMR model), it may not support all data types/functions for other databases.
- This driver only supports a) packages with one data source or b) packages with multiple data sources but all database connections are of the same type (e.g. SQL Server native connection). It may work for other packages, but some functions may fail.
- This driver supports the following ODBC features: numeric, string, date/time, null literals

cast/convert
simple calculation (+, -, *, /, and %)
string concatenate
and, or, not logical operators
comparison (<, >, =, <=, >=, !=, between, not between, in, not in, like, not like)
is null, is not null
case (if else) statement
parenthesis
sub queries

• This driver supports the following functions:

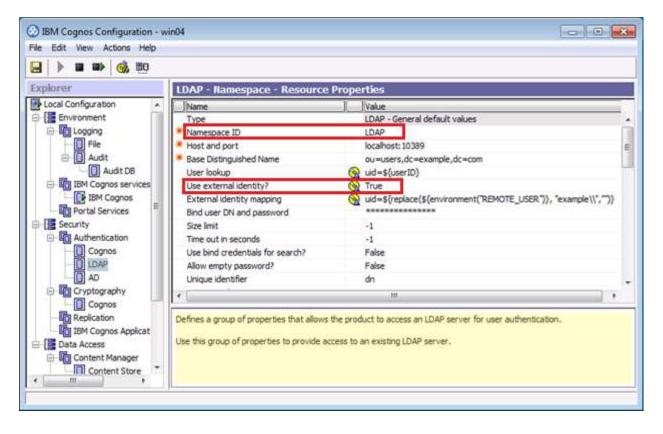
Aggregate function: AVERAGE, AVG, COUNT, MAX, MAXIMUM, MIN, MINIMUM, SUM, TOTAL. Numeric functions: ABS, ACOS, ASIN, ATAN, CEILING, COS, COT, DEGREES, EXP, FLOOR, LOG, LOG10, MOD, POWER, RADIANS, ROUND, SIGN, SIN, SQRT, TAN, TRUNCATE.

Date and timestamp functions: CURRENT_DATE, CURRENT_TIMESTAMP, DAY, DAYNAME, DAYOFMONTH, DAYOFWEEK, DAYOFYEAR, HOUR, MINUTE, MONTH, MONTHNAME, QUARTER, SECOND, TIMESTAMPADD, TIMESTAMPDIFF, WEEK, YEAR.

Character functions: ASCII, CHAR, CHAR_LENGTH, CHARACTER_LENGTH, CONCAT, LCASE, LCASE, LEFT, LOCATE, LTRIM, LTRIM, REPLACE, RIGHT, RTRIM, RTRIM, SPACE, SUBSTR, SUBSTRING, TRIM, TRIM, UCASE, UCASE.

Others: CONVERT, IFNULL

ⁱ Cognos namespace IDs are not necessarily the same as namespace names. Its value can be found in Cognos Configuration, under Security/Authentication/<namespace>. See screenshot below:



ⁱⁱ Your Cognos settings can be found via Cognos Administration page, under Status/System/Setting-System/Advanced settings. See screenshot below:

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