Senturus Analytics Connector Installation Guide

Architecture Overview

The Senturus Analytics Connector supports many different customer environments and use cases. Review the supported architectures below to determine which installation(s) are appropriate for your environment.

Client and Server on One Computer

Installing and running Analytics Connector server and client on the same computer lets you setting up an environment quickly without much assistances from your system administrators, thus it is a good choice when you are evaluating Analytics Connector, or you have only a handful users using Analytics Connector.



To install in this mode, follow Server Installation, Data Source Configuration and Service Configuration to install and configure Analytics Connector server on a computer.

Client and Server on Different Computers

Like any other database servers, installing Analytics Connector server on a server and installing client alongside applications is a more reliable option for production environment. This allows centralized administration of configuration data and minimal client software to be installed on each client.



To install in this mode, follow Server Installation, Data Source Configuration and Service Configuration to install and configure Analytics Connector server on a server, then follow Client Installation to install the ODBC client on each client computer.

Optionally, if a PostgreSQL ODBC client is already installed on the client computer, for example Tableau Desktop/Server bundles PostgreSQL ODBC driver 09.03, it is possible to use that driver to connect to Analytics Connector server components for situations where installing Analytics Connector client on user's machines isn't practical. We recommend using the Analytic Connector Client whenever possible as more functions will be available.

Tableau and Analytics Connector

You can access Analytics Connector server via following options:

- Access Analytics Connector server from Tableau Desktop directly.
- Log in on premise Tableau Server and access pre-defined data sources via a Web browser or Tableau Desktop, and Tableau Server will access Analytics Connector server on your behalf.
- Log in Tableau online and access pre-defined data sources via a Web browser or Tableau Desktop, Tableau online will forward your requests to Tableau Bridge, and Tableau Bridge will access Analytics Connector server on your behalf.



In the second and third cases, it is not necessary to install Analytics Connector client on Tableau Desktop that access the published data sources (TDS) through Tableau Server or Tableau online.

The Server Components can be installed on the Tableau Server or on a separate machine. By installing on the same machine, you reduce network traffic but increase CPU/RAM usage.

To install in this mode, follow Server Installation, Data Source Configuration and Service Configuration to install and configure Analytics Connector server on a server, then follow Client Installation to install the ODBC client on each computer that runs Tableau Desktop/Server/Bridge. And finally, follow Using Analytics Connector with Tableau Online if you are using Analytics Connector behind Tableau Bridge.

Power BI and Analytics Connector

In addition to access Analytics Connector directly from Power BI Desktop, you can access it via Power BI online from a web browser or Power BI Desktop. Power BI online will forward your requests to Power BI Gateway which in turn access Analytics Connector on your behalf.



It is not necessary to install Analytics Connector on the local machines where Power BI Desktop is used to access the published data sources (Power BI datasets) through the Power BI service or for users who only view or modify visualizations on the Power BI service using a web browser.

The Server Components can be installed on the Power BI Gateway server or on a separate machine. By installing on the same machine, you reduce network traffic but increase CPU/RAM usage.

To install in this mode, follow Server Installation, Data Source Configuration and Service Configuration to install and configure Analytics Connector server on a server, then follow Client Installation to install the ODBC client on each computer that runs Power BI Desktop/Gateway. And finally follow Install and Configure Power BI Gateway.

Requirements

Hardware Requirements

Before installing the Senturus Analytics Connector, please ensure your system meets the minimum hardware requirements:

- 17 or similar modern processor
- 8GB of RAM
- 200MB free disk space for product installation
- 10GB free disk space for temp files

Software Requirements

The Senturus Analytics Connector will run on any currently supported version of Windows (8,10 Desktop, Server 2012, 2012 R2, 2016). It will also run on Linux. We only test against CentOS and RHEL, but it should work on any common Linux distribution since it runs in a JVM.

The Senturus Analytics Connector leverages several software components necessary for its operation. Our installer will check for the existence of these components automatically, but if your machine it not connected to the internet or has restrictions, you may need to install these manually. Please refer to the "Install Prerequisites Manually" section for detailed information.

User Permission Requirements

For the end users to connect to Analytics Connector server and utilize configured data sources, they will need the following permissions:

- Cognos requirements:
 - \circ $\,$ Log on permission to Cognos server via specified namespace.
 - Access to the Cognos package(s) and report(s)
 - Capabilities of "Specification Execution", "Generate CSV Output" and "Generate XML Output"

• MicroStrategy requirements:

- \circ $\;$ Log on permission to MicroStrategy via specific login mode
- Access to project(s)

Installation

Before Installation

In order to install and configure Analytics Connector server, you will need the following permissions and information:

- Administrator permission on the machine(s) the software will be installed on.
 - Cognos requirements:
 - The Cognos version your organization is running (ex. 11.0.12)
 - Cognos Dispatcher URL (ex. http://host:port/p2pd/servlet/dispatch)
 - Cognos Namespace ID (ex. SENTURUS_AD)
 - Cognos CSV output settings
 - Cognos username and password
 - Access to the Cognos package(s) to be configured
- MicroStrategy requirements:
 - MicroStrategy server machine path and port (ex. senturus-mstr.ddns.net:34952)
 - MicroStrategy login mode
 - MicroStrategy username and password
 - Access to the MicroStrategy database(s) and project(s) to be configured

To install Analytics Connector client, you will need the following permissions:

• Administrator permission on the machine(s) the software will be installed on

Server Installation

Download the latest version of Analytics Connector installer to the machine where you will be installing it. You can download this installer here: <u>https://www.senturus.net/connector-download/</u>

Once downloaded, run AnalyticsConnector_[version].exe with administrator privilege.

You will be prompted by **User Access Control (UAC)** to allow this app to make changes to your device.

Click **Yes** to allow the installer to run.



Click Next on the welcome page.



If any prerequisite software is missing, you will be prompted to download and install it. Otherwise, the installer will skip next two steps and jumps to "Select destination location" page directly.

If installer cannot download prerequisite software over internet, you need to <u>install missing</u> <u>prerequisite software manually</u>.

Click Next to download and install any missing prerequisites.



Installer will download prerequisite software and install it/them automatically.

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Downloading additional files			\sim
Please wait while Setup is downloading additional files		¢	
Downloading	14.07 of	60.31 MB	
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Click **Next** after all prerequite software are installed and Next button become clickable.

🔀 Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector	-		×
Installing Prerequisite Software Downloading and intalling prerequisite software that are missing.		¢	
Following software are being downloaded and installed.			
Orade Jave Runtime Environment 1.8 (64-bit)			
This may take a while, please be patient.			
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Select an installation directory. The default is C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector.

Click Next.



License Key

In order to use Analytics Connector, you will need a Senturus.key file from Senturus. A free trial key is available by contacting <u>CustomerSupport@senturus.com</u>. Once purchased, you will receive a key from Senturus tied to your purchased licenses.

Open the key file using a text editor (i.e. Notepad).

Copy all the content and paste it into the in Key File page input.

NOTE: If you are upgrading and already have a Senturus.key file in the installation directory, the installer will read it and automatically populate the content here.

Click Next.



A message window will appear displaying your license key information.

Review it and click OK.



If your license key is for a Cognos data source, the following page will appear. Select the version of your Cognos server.

Click Next.

😼 Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector —		×
Cognos BI Server Version Please select the version of Cognos BI server that you will be connecting to.		
Cognos BI Server version:		
Cognos 11.1.5	\sim	
Cognos 11.0.11 Cognos 11.0.12 Cognos 11.0.13	^	
Cognos 11.1.1 Cognos 11.1.2 Cognos 11.1.3		
Cognos 11.1.4 Cognos 11.1.5	v	
< Back Next >	C	ancel

When installing Server Components, you will be prompted to enter a port number. Make sure this port is not used by other applications/services.

Click Next.

🔂 Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector	_		×
Configure Service Configure Senturus Analytics Connector as a Windows service.		G	
Please enter port number: 5432			
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Review installation options.

Click Install.



Installer will install Analytics Connector client at the end of installation automatically.

🔀 Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector 🦳 🗌	×
Installing Please wait while Setup installs Senturus Analytics Connector on your computer.	
Extracting files C: \Program Files \Senturus \Analytics Connector \Bin \cognosdotnetassembly_10_2.d	1
	Cancel

Once complete, the installation completion page will appear. If the installer installed some perquisite software, for example Java, it may prompt to reboot your computer. Analytics Connector server can work well without rebooting, so you can choose "No, I will restart the computer later".

Click Finish.



Client Installation

Download the latest version of Analytics Connector ODBC client installer to the machine where you will be installing it. You can download it here: <u>https://www.senturus.net/connector-download/</u>

Once downloaded, run AnalyticsConnectorODBC_[version].exe with administrator privilege.

Click **Yes** to allow the installer to run.



Click **Next** on the welcome page.



If any prerequisite software is missing, you will be prompted to download and install it. Otherwise, the installer will skip next two steps and jumps to "Select destination location" page directly.

If installer cannot download prerequisite software over internet, you need to <u>install missing</u> <u>prerequisite software manually</u>.

Click Next to download and install any missing prerequisites.



Installer will download prerequisite software and install it/them automatically.

🕞 Setup - Senturus Analytics Connector ODBC Client	- • ×
Downloading additional files Please wait while Setup is downloading additional files	
Downloading	17.37 of 28.10 MB
	Details
	Next > Cancel

Click Next after all prerequite software are installed and Next button become clickable.

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Installing Prerequisite Downloading and intal	• Software ing prerequisite software that are missing.		
- Microsoft Visual C++ 2	: being downloaded and installed. 2015-2019 Redistributable (x64) 2015-2019 Redistributable (x86)		
This may take a while,	please be patient.		
	< Back N	Vext >	Cancel
	< Back	lext >	Cancel

Click Next.



Click Finish.



Install Prerequisites Manually

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

For Analytics Connector server, you need:

Java Runtime 1.8+ (64bit) from https://www.java.com

Microsoft .net Framework 4.5+ from https://dotnet.microsoft.com/download/dotnet-framework/net45

For Analytics Connector client, you need:

Microsoft Visual C++ Redistributable (64bit) from <u>https://download.visualstudio.microsoft.com/download/pr/cc0046d4-e7b4-45a1-bd46-</u> b1c079191224/9c4042a4c2e6d1f661f4c58cf4d129e9/vc redist.x64.exe

Microsoft Visual C++ Redistributable (32bit) from

https://download.visualstudio.microsoft.com/download/pr/0c1cfec3-e028-4996-8bb7-0c751ba41e32/1abed1573f36075bfdfc538a2af00d37/vc_redist.x86.exe

Run Analytics Connector installer on the target computer where you want to install server or client, it will check which prerequisite software are missing. Then download missing software from a computer with internet access, using URL above.

Copy these files to your target computer and install them by running these executables.

Once those prerequisites are installed, you can launch Analytics Connector installer again.

Silent Installation

To perform a silent installation for Analytics Connector server, execute the following command:

```
AnalyticsConnector_[version].exe /SILENT /DIR="C:\Program
Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector" /CognosVersion="Cognos 11.1.1"
/ServicePort="5432" /LicenseKey="Senturus.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 the 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, run the installer in interactive mode and check the options.

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

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

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

To install for Analytics Connector client silently, execute the following command:

```
AnalyticsConnectorODBC_[version].exe /SILENT
```

Linux Server Installation

To install Analytics Connector on a Linux server, follow the below instructions:

- 1) Install the Server Components to a Windows system using the Windows installer. Use the Data Source Configuration tool to setup your servers and databases.
- 2) Create a folder on the Linux Server for Analytics Connector application. Example:

```
> cd /opt
```

- > sudo mkdir analytics-connector
- 3) Transfer the following files and folders from the windows system to the new folder on the Linux server:
 - a. Database (folder and contents)
 - b. Lib (folder and contents)
 - c. Log (folder and contents)
 - d. DataSourceConfig.xml (file configuration information)
 - e. Senturus.key (file license information)
- 4) Grant Read/Write access to the above directory for the user(s) who will run Analytics Connector server.
- 5) Install Java Runtime Environment (JRE) 1.8+ on the Linux server (if not already installed).
- 6) Install the PostgresSQL ODBC driver 11.0+ on the Linux server. Various distros have binaries available at https://www.postgresql.org/download/
- 7) Confirm the /etc/odbcinst.ini settings are pointing at the newly installed driver

```
# Driver from the postgresql-odbc package
# Setup from the unixODBC package
[Senturus Analytics Connector]
Description = ODBC for PostgreSQL
Driver64 = /usr/pgsql-11/lib/psqlodbcw.so
FileUsage = 1
```

8) Start Analytics Connector server components on the Linux server using the following command:

```
> java -classpath Lib:Lib/* -Xms256m -Xmx2048m -
Dsenturus.jdbc_home=/opt/analytics-connector
com.senturus.server.postgresql.PgServer start
```

9) (Optional) Create a service that starts Analytics Connector server when the server reboots.

10) (Optional) Edit the /etc/odbc.ini file:

```
[GO_Sales_query]
Description = TYPES
Driver = Senturus Analytics Connector
Database = GO Sales (query) // Your Configured Database name
Servername = 192.168.1.223 // Your Server IP
Port = 5432
Protocol = 11.1
```

11) (Optional) Test the above configured connection using isql:

```
> isql GO_Sales_query user password
SQL> select "Product line" from "Sales (query)"."Products"
SQL> quit
```

Uninstall Analytics Connector

You can uninstall Analytics Connector server and client in two ways:

- 1. Use the Windows "Add or Remove Programs" tool.
- Go to Analytics Connector Installation folder (Typically "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector" for Connector server and "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector ODBC Client" for Connector client, and run unins000.exe.

Data Source Configuration

After Analytics Connector server has been installed, the databases need to be configured.

Launching Data Source Configuration Utility

The Data Source Configuration utility modifies the DataSourceConfig.xml file in the Installation folder. This file can be created one time and copied to any other machine where you install Analytics Connector server.

To run the Data Source Configuration utility, either:

Launch the program using the Start Menu



Or run the program located at {Installation Folder}\bin\SenturusDataSourceConfig.exe

Configuring Cognos

Launching the Data Source Configuration utility displays the **Edit Cognos Connection** window with its four tabs: Server, Advanced, Database and Logging.

Server tab

Here you can define server name, dispatcher URLs, namespace IDs and other options. This tab represents server elements (without child nodes).

The Server Type should match your source system, Cognos (default) or MicroStrategy.

The default authentication class is "*com.senturus.cognos.DispatcherAuthentication*". If Cognos users can authenticate themselves via Dispatcher by providing user name and password, you do not need to change the **Authentication Class Name**. If you want to use a custom authentication provider, contact Senturus for help.

Edit Cognos Connection	×
Server Advanced Database Logging	
Server Type: Cognos	•
Dispatcher URL: http://10.1.0.6:9300/p2pd/servlet/dispatch <new></new>	
Namespace ID: Senturus <new></new>	
Authentication Class Name: com.senturus.cognos.DispatcherAuthentication	
Standalone Calculation Table Name: AAA_CALCULATIONS	
Link Column Name: AAA_LINK	
Map schema from:	
Prepend folder name to table and calculation names.	
Automatically reconnect to Cognos server when it is disconnected by Cognos.	
	OK Cancel

Advanced tab

This tab lets you define the CSV output format. It also lets you adjust what attributes to pull from PowerCube, TM1, Dynamic Cube data sources.

Edit Cognos Connection	×
Server Advanced Database Logging	
CSV Output Format RSVP.CSV.ENCODING UTF-16LE RSVP.CSV.DELIMITER TAB RSVP.CSV.QUALIFIER " RSVP.CSV.TERMINATOR LF Click here for more information about CSV output format.	TM1 Options Show root level Show leaf level for alternate hierarchies Show name Show attributes that match following names:
PowerCube Options Show root level Show category code Show long name Show short name Show member description	Show attributes that match following regular expressions:
Dynamic Cube Options Show root level Show key Show member description	Support unnamed levels Number of levels: U Click here for more information about named hierarchy levels.
	OK Cancel

CSV Output Format.

When a client application sends a query that selects data from a Cognos package to Analytics Connector server, Analytics Connector server will generate a Cognos report spec, run it against Cognos as CSV, parse the output and finally return dataset to client application. So if you changed the CSV output setting in Cognos, you need to specify the same setting here, otherwise Analytics Connector won't be able parse Cognos CSV outputs. See CSV Settings for details.

Level attributes for PowerCube, Dynamic Cube and TM1

By default, only levels will be mapped to ODBC columns. To show other attributes, check the corresponding options for the data source.

For TM1 level attributes, 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" text box.

Analytics Connector supports both named and unnamed TM1 hierarchy levels. However, you need

to check "*Support unnamed levels*" here, otherwise Analytics Connector will skip all hierarchies without named levels.

In order to detect how many levels are within a hierarchy without named levels, Analytics Connector Analytics Connector needs to send a query to Cognos to detect the depth of levels. This query may significantly increase the connecting time if the hierarchy has many elements. So you can use "*Number of levels*" to control if you want Analytics Connector to run a query detecting number of level (setting it to 0) or use pre-defined number of level for all hierarchies without named levels (setting it to 1 - 9).

For more information regarding TM1 named hierarchy levels, refer to the <u>Using Named Hierarchy</u> <u>Levels with TM1 Dimensions</u> documentation on the IBM Knowledge Center website.

Database tab

This tab lets you define packages to which you want to connect. Packages are represented as databases in Analytics Connector.

Edit Cognos Connection		×
Server Advanced Database	Logging	
Database Name	Package/Module Search Path	
GO Data Warehouse Sales (DC) GO Data Warehouse Sales and T GO Sales (analysis) GO Sales (query)	/content/folder[@name='Connector']/package[@name='GO Sales (query)']	۹
Great Outdoors Sales (cube) Teradata	Data Source Connection Search Path	
TM1 - Base Sales Forecast TM1 - Product TM1 - Store Cost <new></new>	CAMID(":")/dataSource[@name='great_outdoors_sales]/dataSourceConne	d d
Schema Name	Report Folder Search Path	ders
Sample Reports	/content/folder[@name='Connector']/package[@name='GO Sales (query)'] 🔍 🔽	
Connector Reports	/content/folder[@name='Connector'] Q	
	<u> </u> ସ	
	OK Cance	el

To edit an existing database, select the database name in the "*Database name*" list, and edit associated properties. To change the database name, double click on its name.

To delete, select the database name in the "*Database name*" list, and press "delete" key on your keyboard.

To map a Cognos package or data module to a new database, double click the "<*new*>" entry in the "*Database name*" list and follow steps.

If there are multiple data source connections available for a Cognos package (not uncommon in development and testing environment where developers want to test reports against different environments), you will be prompted to select one when running a Cognos report. In that case, you need to specify "*Data source connection search path*" for the package.

You can give users access to canned Cognos reports (only list style reports are supported) by specifying "Report folder to database schema mapping". Each folder will appear as a schema, and

each report will appear as a table.

When using Cognos 11.0.7 or above, use the search tool to easily find your search path. Select a database, then click the magnifying glass \mathbf{Q} to search for the package, data module, connection or report folder.

You must first login to Cognos.

Log in Cognos			—		×
Please provide	e login credentials.				
Namespace:	Senturus			•	
Username:					
Password:					
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Select the correct namespace and enter your Username and Password.

Click OK.

The **Select Cognos package** dialog appears. Navigate to the package by double clicking folders. Double click the top ".." row to move up a folder. The current path is displayed in the top text box.

Select Cognos package		– 🗆 🗙
Path: Team Content > Samples > Models		
Name	Туре	Modified
Accessible Report Studio Reports	folder	9/29/2014 7:17:16 PM
Cognos Workspace Samples	folder	7/16/2013 7:38:45 PM
GO Data Warehouse (analysis)	package	1/8/2013 3:38:02 PM
GO Data Warehouse (query)	package	4/5/2013 3:05:54 PM
GO Sales (analysis)	package	1/8/2013 3:29:50 PM
GO Sales (query)	package	11/7/2018 12:53:27 AM
Interactive Samples	folder	4/17/2013 3:42:38 PM
	OK	Cancel

Select the desired package, module, folder or data source connection, then click **OK**.

The search path will be placed in the related text box on the **Database** tab.

Logging tab

This tab lets you configure the level and amount of messages that will be recorded to the log files.

If you set "Server" logging level to DEBUG or TRACE, Analytics Connector server will log each request (including logon, query, etc.) and response.

If you set "Cognos" logging level to DEBUG or TRACE, Analytics Connector server will log each query and corresponding Cognos report spec (under "*<install_root>/Log*" directory). The default level is INFO, whereas Analytics Connector server only log query and report spec when a query failed.

If you enables Performance logging, Analytics Connector will generated performance log under "<install_root>/Log/Performance" directory, and you can open "<install_root>/Performance.twb" or "<install_root>/Performance.twb" to analyze performance. Also, if you have Cognos audit setup, you can open run "<install_root>/Performance.xml" in Cognos Reporting tool and execute it. This Cognos report will show you Cognos report execution time of interactive request, including request from Analytics Connector server.

Edit Cognos Connection	×
Server Advanced Database Logging	
Program Logging	
General: INFO	
Server: INFO	
Cognos: INFO	
Performance Logging	
Enable server performance logging.	
Enable Cognos client performance logging.	
OK Cano	el

Configuring MicroStrategy

MicroStrategy connections display the MicroStrategy Connection screen with its two tabs: *Server* and *Database*.

Server tab

The Server tab allows you to define the server name, MicroStrategy Intelligence server host and port, and login modes. It also lets you establish automatic reconnect settings.

Edit MicroStrategy Connection	×
Server Database	
Server Type: Micro Strategy	•
Host and Port: <pre></pre>	
Login Modes:	
Link Column Name: AAA_LINK	
Automatically reconnect to MicroStrategy server when it is disconnected by server.	
OK Car	ncel

Database tab

The Database tab allows you define the MicroStrategy project name and mapping database name. It also lets you define report folders to include in each database.

Edit MicroStrategy Connection	ו			×
Server Database				
Database Name		Project Name		
tdvt		tdvt		
Tutorial		MicroStrategy Tutorial		
Report folder to database scher				
Schema Name	Report Folder Path			Subfolders
			ОК	Cancel

Logging tab

This tab lets you configure the level of messages that will be recorded to the log files. Errors and Warnings will always be recorded.

Edit Cognos Connection		×
Server Advanced Database Logging		
Program Logging		
General: INFO 💌		
Server: INFO		
Cognos: INFO		
	ОК	Cancel

Power BI Custom Data Connector

If your license includes Power BI as data source, Analytics Connector server installer will create "<install_root>*Power BI*" directory.

Every time you make changes using Data Source Configuration utility, it will generate a new Power BI Custom Connector under "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector\PowerBI\SenturusDataConnector.mez", and copy it to "{user}\Documents\Power BI Desktop\Custom Connectors".

You need this .mez file in order to use custom connector in Power BI Desktop, and when configuring Power BI Gateway.
Service Configuration

Service Configuration utility lets you monitors and modifies Windows service "Senturus Analytics Connector"

Launching Service Configuration Utility

To run Service Configuration utility, either:

Launch the program using the Start Menu



Or run the program located at {Installation Folder}\bin\AnalyticsConnector.exe

Using Service Configuration Utility

General tab

You can start/stop service, set common Windows service properties.

Senturus A	Analytics	Connecto	or Prope	rties			Х
General	Log On	Logging	Java	Startup	Shutdown		
Service	e Name:	Analytic	sConne	tor			
Display	/name:	Sentur	rus Analy	tics Conne	ector]
Descriț	otion:	Sentur	rus Analy	tics Conne	ector service		
Path to	o executa	ble:					
"C:\P	rogram Fi	les\Sentur	us\Analy	tics Conne	ctor\Bin\Ser	vice.exe" //RS//A	
Startu	p type:	Autom	atic			~	
Service	e Status:	Started					
5	Start	S	top	P	ause	Restart	
				ОК	Cance	Apply	

Log on tab

Defines the credential that this service log on as.

Senturus Analytics Conne	ctor Prope	erties			\times
General Log On Loggin	g Java	Startup	Shutdown		
Log on as:		h desktop			
O This account:				Browse	
Password:]	
Confirm Password:]	
	_				
		OK	Cancel	Apply	

Logging tab

Defines Windows service logging. This is different than Logging tab in Data Source Configuration utility.

Senturus Analytics	Connecto	or Prope	rties		×
General Log On	Logging	Java	Startup	Shutdown	
Level:	Info				
Log path:	1110				J ~
C:\Program File	s\Senturu	s\Analyti	ics Connec	tor \Log	
Log prefix:	analyti	csconne	ctor-daem	on	
Pid file:	analyti	csconne	ctor-pid.tx	t	
Redirect Stdout:					
auto					
Redirect Stderro	r:				
auto					
			ОК	Cancel	Apply

Java tab

You can specify Java environment within this tab.

You can use the default JRE (the one registered in Windows Registry Table) by checking "Use default", or uncheck it and choose a specific JRE using browse button right to "Java Virtual Machine" text input.

By default, "Java Classpath" is set to "Lib;Lib/*", these are paths relative {install_root} directory. If you have customized libraries saved in other directory, append them to "Java Classpath".

To set some Java runtime options, use "Java Options" text box. For example, to specify SSL certificate stores, HTTP proxies, etc. If you are using JRE9+, you can use "Java 9 Options" text box too.

This tab also lets you define minimum/maximum memory allocation pool for JVM, and thread stack

size.

Senturus Analytics Connec	tor Prope	erties		×
General Log On Logging	Java	Startup	Shutdown	
Use default Java Virtual Machine:				
Java Classpath:				
Lib;Lib/*				
Java Options:				
-Djavax.net.ssl.trustStr -Djavax.net.ssl.storePa				\sim
Java 9 Options:				
				^
				\sim
Initial memory pool:	1024		MB	
Maximum memory pool:	4096		MB	
Thread stack size:			KB	
		OK	Cancel	Apply

Startup tab

Defines the Java class and argument to start service. If you want to change the port of Analytics Connector server, change the second argument (default 5432).

aneral Log On	Logging Java	Startup	Shutdown	
Class:				
_	.server.postgresq	.PoServer		
Image:				
Working Path:				
C: Program Fi	les\Senturus\Analy	tion Commo	the s	
		yacs Conner	ctor	
Method:	main	yacs Conner	LIOF	
_	main	yous Conner		
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SSL on Analytics Connector Server

If you desire encrypted network traffic between Analytics Connector server and client, perform the following steps to setup a SSL certificate on the server:

1. Obtain a private key and certificate from your IT group for your Analytics Connector server and save to a local folder. For example, "*C*:*Temp*\connector_server.key" and "*C*:*Temp*\connector_server.crt".

2. Convert x509 Cert and Key to a pkcs12 file using OpenSSL (https://www.openssl.org):

```
openssl pkcs12 -export -in C:\Temp\connector_server.crt -inkey
C:\Temp\connector_server.key -out C:\Temp\connector_server.p12 -name
connector server -CAfile <path to JRE>\lib\security\cacerts
```

3. Import the pkcs12 file to your java keystore:

```
<path_to_JRE>\bin\keytool.exe -importkeystore -srckeystore
C:\Temp\connector_server.p12 -srcstoretype pkcs12 -srcstorepass
changeit -destkeystore C:\Temp\keystore -deststoretype jks -
deststorepass changeit -destkeypass changeit -alias connector_server
```

You should see a message like: "Importing keystore C:\Temp\connector_server.p12 to SSL\keystore..."

4. (optional) To verify newly created or updated keystore, execute following command:

```
<path_to_JRE>\bin\keytool.exe -list -v -alias connector_server -
keystore C:\Temp\keystore -storepass changeit
```

5. Copy keystore to the SSL Folder under the installation directory, typically "C:\Program Files\Senturus\Analytics Connector\SSL".

6. Strat Service Configuration utility, go to Java tab, add two Java options:

-Djavax.net.ssl.keyStore=SSL\keyStore

-Djavax.net.ssl.keyStorePassword=chagneit

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7. Restart Senturus Analytics Connector service.

SSL on Cognos Dispatcher

If your Cognos dispatcher is SSL enabled, or your Cognos gateway is SSL enabled and you have set authentication class to *NTLMAuthentication/SiteMinderBasicAuthentication*, then you need to configure the trustStore so Analytics Connector server can communicate with your Cognos server over SSL.

- 1. Obtain the certificate issued to your Cognos server, or any intermediate or root certificate. Save it into your local drive, for example "C:\Temp\root.cer".
- 2. Create "*<install_root>\SSL*" directory if it does not exist.
- 3. Open a prompt window, change directory to "*<install_root>*", execute the following command (you can replace changeit with your secret password):

```
JRE\x64\bin\keytool -import -alias root -file C:\Temp\localhost.cer
-keystore SSL\truststore -storepass changeit
```

- 4. Review the information. If it looks correct, type yes and Enter. truststore should be created under"<install_root>\SSL" directory.
- 5. (optional) To verify newly created truststore, execute the following command:

```
JRE\x64\bin\keytool -list -v -alias root -keystore SSL\truststore - storepass changeit
```

6. Strat Service Configuration utility, go to Java tab, add two Java options:

-Djavax.net.ssl.trustStore=SSL\trustStore -Djavax.net.ssl.trustStorePassword=chagneit

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7. Restart Senturus Analytics Connector service.

Proxy between Analytics Connector Server and Cognos Server

In case Analytics Connector server needs connecting to Cognos server via a proxy (very common in a secured environment where every outbound internet traffic must go through a proxy), you need to set up proxy settings.

In Service Configuration tool, under Java tab, Java options box, add two lines:

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In order to use browse function in Data Source Configuration tool, you need to set Windows proxy settings as well. Please contact your system administrator.

Advanced Topics & Notes

Additional technical information related to Analytics Connector.

Using Analytics Connector with Tableau Online

Senturus Analytics Connector supports for use with Tableau Online, but it requires the use of Tableau Bridge, which must be installed and configured separately. Please refer to https://www.tableau.com/en-gb/products/tableau-bridge for detailed instructions.

In addition, you will need to install the Senturus Analytics Connector client on the machine running Tableau Bridge.

Install and Configure Power BI Gateway

When publishing Power BI Desktop to the Power BI service, a Power BI Gateway will typically be needed to access an on-premises Cognos system.

Follow steps bellow to install and configure Power BI Gateway with Analytics Connector.

- 1. Download and install the latest version of the Power BI on-premises data gateway from Microsoft.
- 2. Install Analytics Connector client on the machine that will run the Power BI Gateway application.
- Copy the Custom Data Connector "SenturusAnalyticsConnector.mez" from "<install_root>\Power BI" to "{User}\Documents\Power BI Desktop\Custom Connectors" directory. Please refer to Power BI Custom Data Connector.
- 4. Log into the Gateway App using the Microsoft Account associated with your Power BI Service.
- 5. On the Gateway App Connectors tab, browse to the folder containing the *SenturusAnalyticsConnector.mez* file ({User}\Documents\Power BI Desktop\Custom Connectors).
- On the Service Settings tab, note the account being used for your gateway service account. NT Service\PBIEgwService is the default. This user will need to be granted access to the above directory.

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- 7. Sign into Power BI service (https://powerbi.microsoft.com).
- 8. Go to Settings \rightarrow Manage Gateways.

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a. Confirm the gateway you have configured is listed

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When correctly configured, "Senturus Analytics Connector" will appear as the name listed on the **Connectors** tab.

b. Confirm the below two options are checked:

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- 9. Add a data source to the Gateway: For DataSource Type, select SenturusAnalyticsConnector
- 10. Select Type for the server, database, username and password that the gateway will use to communicate with Cognos. You will need to configure a data source here for each gateway.
- 11. If other users in the organization need to publish reports to Power BI Service using the same data source, you can grant them permission on the Users tab.

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12. When you (or a user with permission) publish a workbook to the service with the same server and database, the gateway will be able to talk to your on-premises data using the Power BI Enterprise Gateway.

Finding Cognos Installation Information

Dispatcher URI

Analytics Connector server communicate with Cognos server via "Internal dispatcher URI", which can be found in the found in the **Cognos Configuration** application, under **Environment** \rightarrow **Internal dispatcher URI**.



Namespace ID

The Cognos namespace IDs are not necessarily the same as the namespace display names.

The Namespace ID value can be found in the Cognos Configuration application, under Security

\rightarrow Authentication \rightarrow <namespace>.



Alternatively, the Namespace ID can be found from the Cognos Adminitration console. Select the **Security** tab, click the **Properties** button () next to the namespace, and click the link to view the Namespace ID (View the search path, ID and URL). The Namespace ID will be displayed in the **Search path** property. For example, **AD** is the Namespace ID you would use from the below

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CSV Settings

Your Cognos CSV settings can be found on the Cognos Administration page, under Status ightarrow



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Upgrade and Migrate Analytics Connector Server

If you need to upgrade Analytics Connector server to a newer version or need to upgrade the Cognos SDK version to reflect a Cognos upgrade, uninstall Analytics Connector server first and rerun the installer to the same directory. It's not necessary to upgrade client.

If you want to migrate Analytics Connector server from one computer to another, run Analytics Connector server installer on the new computer, then copy "*<install_root>\DataSourceConfig.xml*" and "*<install_root>\SSL*" from old computer to new one. It's not necessary to run Data Source Configuration on the new computer.

If you made some configuration changes using Service Configuration, those configuration (SSL configuration for example) will not be preserved after re-installing Analytics Connector server, so you need to re-do the same changes.

3.X to 4.X Upgrade process

There was an underlying technology change between the 3.x and 4.x versions of Analytics Connector that requires a slight adjustment to workbooks. Follow these steps to upgrade from 3.X to 4.X.

Upgrade Tableau Server:

- Save your license key and DataSourceConfig.xml files
- Uninstall Analytics Connector version 3.x
- Install Analytics Connector version 4.X, selecting both Analytics Connector server and Client
- Copy the license key and DataSourceConfig.xml files to the installation folder
- Restart Analytics Connector server service to pickup the file changes

Upgrade Tableau Desktop:

- Uninstall Analytics Connector version 3.x
- Install Analytics Connector version 4.X, selecting only Analytics Connector client component

Upgrade the Tableau Workbooks:

- Open Tableau workbook with Analytics Connector 3.x connections
- Edit the connection(s) in the workbook that rely on the 3.x Analytics Connector. Reconnect to the database, specifying the server name and port while retaining the same database name during the login process.
- Save and Test the workbook.
- Publish the workbook to Tableau Server.
 - Note: Your Tableau Server will need the upgraded Analytics Connector client component installed and configured to talk to the upgraded Analytics Connector server component when the workbook is published.
- Test the published workbook, which will test the upgraded client and server components.
- Repeat the process for additional Tableau Workbooks.