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1. Introduction

CoreMedia CMS is a content management system for easy and convenient creation and administration of up-to-date content, interactive features and personalized web pages.

For this purpose, CoreMedia provides an environment for online editorial workflow processes. Users can simultaneously create and edit content and so conveniently maintain a website. Integration of contents from print editorial systems, office applications and news agencies (dpa, SID, Reuters, etc.) is possible via import mechanisms. The versatile *CoreMedia Content Application Engine (CAE)* delivers content to the Internet and creates various export formats.

Configuration and operation of the different CoreMedia applications is described in the correspondent manuals. This manual describes some overall tasks and knowledge that is important for all the applications.

- An overview of the architecture of the CoreMedia CMS system in Chapter 2, Component Overview [14]
- Some basics about the operating environments used by *CoreMedia Content Cloud* are described in Chapter 3, *System Requirements* [20].
- the administration essentials of *CoreMedia CMS* for example how to start the applications, in Chapter 4. *Basics of Operation* [24]

1.1 Audience

This manual is dedicated to administrators and developers of *CoreMedia CMS* installations. They will find descriptions of all tasks necessary for installation, configuration and operation of a CoreMedia system.

1.2 Typographic Conventions

CoreMedia uses different fonts and types in order to label different elements. The following table lists typographic conventions for this documentation:

Element	Typographic format	Example
Source code Command line entries Parameter and values Class and method names Packages and modules	Courier new	cm systeminfo start
Menu names and entries	Bold, linked with	Open the menu entry Format Normal
Field names CoreMedia Components Applications	Italic	Enter in the field <i>Heading</i> The <i>CoreMedia Component</i> Use <i>Chef</i>
Entries	In quotation marks	Enter "On"
(Simultaneously) pressed keys	Bracketed in "<>", linked with "+"	Press the keys <ctrl>+<a></ctrl>
Emphasis	Italic	It is <i>not</i> saved
Buttons	Bold, with square brackets	Click on the [OK] button
Code lines in code examples which continue in the next line	\	cm systeminfo \ -u user

Table 1.1. Typographic conventions

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In addition, these symbols can mark single paragraphs:

Pictograph	Description
i	Tip: This denotes a best practice or a recommendation.
1	Warning: Please pay special attention to the text.
4	Danger: The violation of these rules causes severe damage.

Table 1.2. Pictographs

1.3 CoreMedia Services

This section describes the CoreMedia services that support you in running a CoreMedia system successfully. You will find all the URLs that guide you to the right places. For most of the services you need a CoreMedia account. See Section 1.3.1, "Registration" [5] for details on how to register.

NOTE

CoreMedia User Orientation for CoreMedia Developers and Partners

Find the latest overview of all CoreMedia services and further references at:

http://documentation.coremedia.com/new-user-orientation



- Section 1.3.2, "CoreMedia Releases" [6] describes where to find the download
 of the software.
- Section 1.3.3, "Documentation" [7] describes the CoreMedia documentation.
 This includes an overview of the manuals and the URL where to find the documentation.
- Section 1.3.4, "CoreMedia Training" [10] describes CoreMedia training. This
 includes the training calendar, the curriculum and certification information.
- Section 1.3.5, "CoreMedia Support" [10] describes the CoreMedia support.

1.3.1 Registration

In order to use CoreMedia services you need to register. Please, start your initial registration via the CoreMedia website. Afterwards, contact the CoreMedia Support (see Section 1.3.5, "CoreMedia Support" [10]) by email to request further access depending on your customer, partner or freelancer status so that you can use the CoreMedia services.



1.3.2 CoreMedia Releases

Downloading and Upgrading the Blueprint Workspace

CoreMedia provides its software as a Maven based workspace. You can download the current workspace or older releases via the following URL:

https://releases.coremedia.com/cmcc-12

Refer to our Blueprint Github mirror repository for recommendations to upgrade the workspace either via Git or patch files.

NOTE

If you encounter a 404 error then you are probably not logged in at GitHub or do not have sufficient permissions yet. See Section 1.3.1, "Registration" [5] for details about the registration process. If the problems persist, try clearing your browser cache and cookies.



Mayen artifacts

CoreMedia provides parts of its release artifacts via Maven under the following URL:

https://repository.coremedia.com

You have to add your CoreMedia credentials to your Maven settings file as described in section Section 3.1, "Prerequisites" in *Blueprint Developer Manual*.

npm packages

CoreMedia provides parts of its release artifacts as npm packages under the following URL:

https://npm.coremedia.io

Your pnpm client first needs to be logged in to be able to utilize the registry (see Section 3.1, "Prerequisites" in *Blueprint Developer Manual*).

License files

You need license files to run the CoreMedia system. Contact the support (see Section 1.3.5, "CoreMedia Support" [10]) to get your licences.

1.3.3 Documentation

CoreMedia provides extensive manuals, how-tos and Javadoc as PDF files and as online documentation at the following URL:

https://documentation.coremedia.com

The manuals have the following content and use cases:

Manual	Audience	Content
Adaptive Personalization Manual	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual describes the configuration of and development with Adaptive Personalization, the CoreMedia module for personalized websites. You will learn how to configure the GUI used in CoreMedia Studio, how to use predefined contexts and how to develop your own extensions.
Analytics Connectors Manual	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual describes how you can connect your CoreMedia website with external analytic services, such as Google Analytics.
Blueprint Developer Manual	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual gives an overview over the structure and features of <i>CoreMedia Content Cloud</i> . It describes the content type model, the <i>Studio</i> extensions, folder and user rights concept and many more details. It also describes administrative tasks for the features.
		It also describes the concepts and usage of the project workspace in which you develop your CoreMedia extensions. You will find a description of the Maven structure, the virtualization concept, learn how to perform a release and many more.
Connector Manuals	Developers, administrators	This manuals gives an overview over the use cases of the eCommerce integration. It describes the deployment of the Commerce Connector and how

Manual	Audience	Content
		to connect it with the CoreMedia and eCommerce system.
Content Application De- veloper Manual	Developers, ar- chitects	This manual describes concepts and development of the <i>Content Application Engine (CAE)</i> . You will learn how to write Freemarker templates that access the other CoreMedia modules and use the sophisticated caching mechanisms of the CAE.
Content Server Manual	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual describes the concepts and administration of the main CoreMedia component, the <i>Content Server</i> . You will learn about the content type model which lies at the heart of a CoreMedia system, about user and rights management, database configuration, and more.
Deployment Manual	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual describes the concepts and usage of the CoreMedia deployment artifacts. That is the deployment archive and the Docker setup. You will also find an overview of the properties required to configure the deployed system.
Elastic Social Manual	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual describes the concepts and administration of the <i>Elastic Social</i> module and how you can integrate it into your websites.
Frontend Developer Manual	Frontend De- velopers	This manual describes the concepts and usage of the Frontend Workspace. You will learn about the structure of this workspace, the CoreMedia themes and bricks concept, the CoreMedia Freemarker facade API, how to develop your own themes and how to upload your themes to the CoreMedia system.
Headless Server Developer Manual	Frontend De- velopers, ad- ministrators	This manual describes the concepts and usage of the <i>Headless Server</i> . You will learn how to deploy the Headless Server and how to use its endpoints for your sites.
Importer Manual (Deprecated)	Developers, ar- chitects	This manual describes the structure of the internal CoreMedia XML format used for storing data, how you set up an <i>Importer</i> application and how you

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		define the transformations that convert your content into CoreMedia content.
Multi-Site Manual	Developers, Multi-Site Ad- ministrators, Editors	This manual describes different otions to desgin your site hierarchy with several languages. It also gives guidance to avoid common pitfalls during your work with the multi-site feature.
Operations Basics Manual	Developers, administrators	This manual describes some overall concepts such as the communication between the components, how to set up secure connections, how to start application.
Search Manual	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual describes the configuration and customization of the <i>CoreMedia Search Engine</i> and the two feeder applications: the <i>Content Feeder</i> and the <i>CAE Feeder</i> .
Studio Developer Manual	Developers, ar- chitects	This manual describes the concepts and extension of <i>CoreMedia Studio</i> . You will learn about the underlying concepts, how to use the development environment and how to customize <i>Studio</i> to your needs.
Studio User Manual	Editors	This manual describes the usage of <i>CoreMedia Studio</i> for editorial and administrative work. It also describes the usage of the <i>Adaptive Personalization</i> and <i>Elastic Social</i> GUI that are integrated into <i>Studio</i> .
Studio Benutzerhandbuch	Editors	The Studio User Manual but in German.
Supported Environments	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This document lists the third-party environments with which you can use the CoreMedia system, Java versions or operation systems for example.
Unified API Developer Manual	Developers, ar- chitects	This manual describes the concepts and usage of the <i>CoreMedia Unified API</i> , which is the recommended API for most applications. This includes access to the content repository, the workflow repository and the user repository.

Manual	Audience	Content
Utilized Open Source Soft- ware & 3rd Party Licenses	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual lists the third-party software used by CoreMedia and lists, when required, the licence texts.
Workflow Manual	Developers, ar- chitects, ad- ministrators	This manual describes the <i>Workflow Server</i> . This includes the administration of the server, the development of workflows using the XML language and the development of extensions.

Table 1.3. CoreMedia manuals

If you have comments or questions about CoreMedia's manuals, contact the Documentation department:

Email: documentation@coremedia.com

1.3.4 CoreMedia Training

CoreMedia's training department provides you with the training for your Core-Media projects either live online, in the CoreMedia training center or at your own location.

You will find information about the CoreMedia training program, the training schedule and the CoreMedia certification program at the following URL:

https://www.coremedia.com/training

Contact the training department at the following email address:

Email: training@coremedia.com

1.3.5 CoreMedia Support

CoreMedia's support is located in Hamburg and accepts your support requests between 9 am and 6 pm MET. If you have subscribed to 24/7 support, you can always reach the support using the phone number provided to you.

To submit a support ticket, track your submitted tickets or receive access to our forums visit the CoreMedia Online Support at:

https://support.coremedia.com/

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Do not forget to request further access via email after your initial registration as described in Section 1.3.1, "Registration" [5]. The support email address is:

Email: support@coremedia.com

Create a support request

CoreMedia systems are distributed systems that have a rather complex structure. This includes, for example, databases, hardware, operating systems, drivers, virtual machines, class libraries and customized code in many different combinations. That's why CoreMedia needs detailed information about the environment for a support case. In order to track down your problem, provide the following information:

Support request

- Which CoreMedia component(s) did the problem occur with (include the release number)?
- Which database is in use (version, drivers)?
- Which operating system(s) is/are in use?
- · Which Java environment is in use?
- · Which customizations have been implemented?
- A full description of the problem (as detailed as possible)
- Can the error be reproduced? If yes, give a description please.
- How are the security settings (firewall)?

In addition, log files are the most valuable source of information.

To put it in a nutshell, CoreMedia needs:

Support checklist

- 1. a person in charge (ideally, the CoreMedia system administrator)
- 2. extensive and sufficient system specifications
- 3. detailed error description
- log files for the affected component(s)
- 5. if required, system files

An essential feature for the CoreMedia system administration is the output log of Java processes and CoreMedia components. They're often the only source of information for error tracking and solving. All protocolling services should run at the highest log level that is possible in the system context. For a fast breakdown, you should be logging at debug level. See Section 4.7, "Logging" [49] for details.

Log files

Which Log File?

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In most cases at least two CoreMedia components are involved in errors: the *Content Server* log files together with the log file from the client. If you know exactly what the problem is, solving the problem becomes much easier.

Where do I Find the Log Files?

By default, application containers only write logs to the console output but can be accessed from the container runtime using the corresponding command-line client.

For the *docker* command-line client, logs can be accessed using the **docker** logs command. For a detailed instruction of how to use the command, see docker logs. Make sure to enable the timestamps using the --timestamps flag.

```
docker logs --timestamps <container>
```

For the *kubectl* command-line client in a Kubernetes environment you can use the **kubectl logs** command to access the logs. For a detailed instruction of how to use the command, see kubectl logs. Make sure to enable the timestamps using the --timestamps flag.

kubectl logs --timestamps <pod>

1.4 Changelog

In this chapter you will find a table with all major changes made in this manual.

Section	Version	Description

Table 1.4. Changes

2. Component Overview

CoreMedia CMS is a distributed web content management system (WCMS) for creation, management and delivery of context dependent content. Most of the applications of CoreMedia CMS are deployed as web applications in a servlet container. Only the server utilities are deployed as stand-alone applications. All applications can be deployed into the Cloud.

Overview and deployment

With CoreMedia Content Cloud you do not get a program to install and run, but a workspace to develop within, to build and to deploy artifacts from.

The communication between all applications can be secured. See Section 4.4, "Communication between the System Applications" [30] for details.

All applications of *CoreMedia CMS* use Logback for logging. See Section 4.7, "Logging" [49] for details. By default, all CoreMedia applications register relevant resources via JMX as MBeans for management and monitoring purposes. So, you can use a common JMX client such as JConsole to change or check the configuration, to start tasks or to get statistic data. If you only want to have a look at the configured JMX parameter and its values, you can simply use the CoreMedia utility *jmxdump*, which simply prints out this information, as described in Section 3.13.2.10, "JMXDump" in *Content Server Manual*.

Security

Logging and Monitoring

2.1 Architectural Overview

Figure 2.1, "Architectural Overview" [15] shows a deployment of CoreMedia CMS.

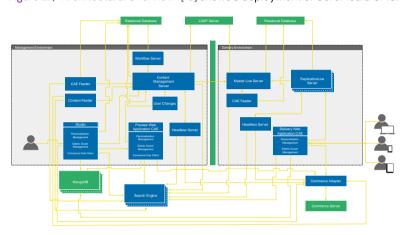


Figure 2.1. Architectural Overview

If you want to have an overview of the default ports used in CoreMedia, check out Section 4.4.1, "Default Application Ports" [31].

2.2 Communication of Components

A CoreMedia system is separated into a management environment where the editors are working and a delivery environment where the customers access the website. The environments can be separated by a firewall for security reasons. The applications communicate via HTTP and CORBA, see Section 4.4, "Communication between the System Applications" [30] for details. Table 2.1, "CoreMedia applications" [16] shows all applications of *CoreMedia CMS*, describes what they do, if there are multiple instances and with which applications they communicate:

Application	Purpose	Multiple Instances	Communicates with
Content Management Server (For more in- formation, check out: Section 2.1, "The Con- tent Server" in Con- tent Server Manual9	Manages the content in the Management Environment and publishes content to the Master Live Server.	No	 All clients Publishes content to the Master Live Server External relational database Search Engine
Master Live Server (For more information, check out: Section 2.1, "The Content Server" in Content Server Manual)	Manages the content in the Delivery Environ- ment	Multiple instances when Multi-Master is used	All clients.External relational database
Replication Live Server (For more information, check out: Section 2.2, "Replication Live Serv- ers" in Content Server Manual)	Serves content to the CAEs	Multiple instances can be attached to one Master Live Server	 Content Application Engine External relational database
Workflow Server (For more information, check out: Chapter 2, Overview of Core- Media Workflow in Workflow Manual)	Executes workflows	No	Content Management Server

Application	Purpose	Multiple Instances	Communicates with
Studio (For more information, check out: Section 2.1, "Architecture" in Studio Developer Manual)	Content editing and management. Hosts management extensions for <i>Elastic Social</i> and <i>Adaptive Personalization</i> .	One web application	 Content Management Server Search Engine Workflow Server MongoDB External relational database
Search Engine (For more information, check out: Chapter 3, Search Engine in Search Manual)	Indexes content and provides searches functionality.	Yes.	 Content Management Server Content Feeder CAE Feeder Studio Content Application Engine
CAE Feeder (For more information, check out: Chapter 5, Searching for CAE Content Beans in Search Manual)	Feeds content beans into the Search Engine	Multiple instances possible, for example when reindexing.	 Content Manage- ment Server Search Engine External relational database
Content Feeder (For more information, check out: Chapter 4, Searching for Content in Search Manual)	Serves content to the Search Engine	Multiple instances possible, for example when reindexing.	 Content Manage- ment Server Search Engine
Content Application Engine (For more in- formation, check out: Chapter 2, Overview in Content Application Developer Manual)	Serves sites to the customer. Hosts Elastic Social and Adaptive Personalization extension.	Multiple instances can be attached to one Master Live Server or Replication Live Serv- er	 Content Server MongoDB database for <i>Elastic Social</i> Search Engine Custom external systems

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Application	Purpose	Multiple Instances	Communicates with
Importer (Deprecated) (For more information, check out: Chapter 3, Administration And Operation in Importer Manual (Deprecated))	Imports content into the Content Manage- ment Server.	Yes	Content Manage- ment Server

Table 2.1. CoreMedia applications

2.3 Third-Party Requirements

As shown in Figure 2.1, "Architectural Overview" [15] CoreMedia CMS requires some third-party software for operation, which is not delivered with CoreMedia CMS. In general, the following software has to be installed:

Third-party software

- · A Java installation.
- · A relational database for the content storage.
- A MongoDB database for Elastic Social.
- · A browser for CoreMedia Studio.

Most of the applications require a servlet container as a runtime environment.

In addition, you can run *CoreMedia CMS* with an LDAP server. Find a list of all supported environments at https://documentation.coremedia.com/cmcc-12.

Installation

3. System Requirements

A CoreMedia system has to rely on several (third-party) software components, for proper operation. CoreMedia tests *CoreMedia CMS* with the most common combinations used by our customers and distinguishes between two levels of approved infrastructure components:

Use only recommended systems

- Certified level
 Certified infrastructure components are extensively tested to work with the CoreMedia CMS system. Every infrastructure component approved with the first final CMS Release is certified. It is recommended to use these components for productive systems.
- Supported level
 Supported infrastructure components will also work with CoreMedia applications but they are tested less exhaustively, because they are released after the first final CMS Release. They also can be used for productive systems. Refer to the notes.html file for announcements of additionally supported environments or the reference of this manual.

Note: the state "deprecated" is also used on occasion. Deprecated infrastructure components are either of certified or supported level in the current version of the *CoreMedia CMS* but do not carry official approval by CoreMedia beyond this version

NOTE

All necessary security updates for approved versions, recommended by vendors of infrastructure components (such as OS, Java, database...), are supported by CoreMedia automatically. This does not apply to feature updates!



You will find the approved components in the Supported Operation Environments document on https://documentation.coremedia.com/cmcc-12. In the following sections you will find some general hints for the usage of these components:

Supported operation environments

- Java platforms in Section 3.1, "Java" [22],
- Databases in Section 3.2, "Databases" [23],

CAUTION

Please keep in mind, that the databases and application servers have only been tested in CoreMedia compliant operating environments and therefore are only approved on these platforms.



3.1 Java

The functionality of CoreMedia applications can only be guaranteed with approved platforms and corresponding Java versions. To operate *CoreMedia CMS*, run the Java platform with Java Runtime Environment (JRE) or Java Development Kit (JDK).

CAUTION

Do not run a *CoreMedia CMS* System with different Java versions. All applications have to use the same Java version.



The appropriate JREs/JDKs for the different supported platforms can be obtained from the following locations:

- for Solaris, Linux and Windows JRE/JDK can be downloaded at Oracle (http://www.oracle.com/or http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html).
- the IBM JRE/JDK can be downloaded at IBM (https://www.ibm.com/developer-works/java/jdk/).

NOTE

Only use the JRE/JDK binaries listed in the Supported Environments document or further approved versions mentioned in the change notes on the documentation site. Don't use any other than the specified patch level of an JRE/JDK version! A different patch level is not supported and probably causes errors in service.



3.2 Databases

CoreMedia CMS uses repositories for data storage, therefore it requires one or more external relational databases. A correctly installed and activated database is prerequisite for the operation of CoreMedia CMS. How to connect the CoreMedia system to databases is described in detail for the different databases in the Content Server Manual.

NOTE

It is strongly recommended to use a UTF-8 enabled database for your *CoreMedia CMS* repository.



The databases have only been tested in CoreMedia compliant operating environments and therefore are only approved on these platforms. For all supported environments see the [Supported Environments] document at http://bit.ly/cmcc-12-supported-environments.

4. Basics of Operation

This chapter covers the fundamental principles of CoreMedia system administration and operation — an overview of the directory structure of the CoreMedia system, configuration settings for internal system communication and general aspects of operating CoreMedia applications.

4.1 Starting CoreMedia Command-Line Tools

Depending on their function the command-line tools are split into several directories, for example the tools that work with the *Content Management Server* are combined in a directory called ${\tt cms-tools}$. The command-line tools are started by calling the ${\tt cm}$ command. On entering the command ${\tt bin/cm}$ without further details, an overview of the commands available in the respective directory is given.

Under Windows the command-line tools can be started with a JVM 64-bit using the cm64. exe application launcher, which is also located in the bin directory.

Note that the cm command always changes the working directory to COR EM_HOME, which is the base directory of the tools. Thus, if a relative path is given as a parameter (with the -script parameter in cm sql, for instance) it must be relative to COREM_HOME.

The cm command can use the -nolog option. This option overwrites the OUTPUT_REDIRECT parameter setting of the cm.jpif file with the empty value. Thus, all log output is written to standard out.

You will find a description of all server utilities in Section 3.13, "Server Utility Programs" in *Content Server Manual* and Section 3.5, "Workflow Server Utilities" in *Workflow Manual*. Other tools, which can be started with cm can be found all over the manual.

Note: <cm>-xmlimport is a freely configurable XML importer, in which the prefix <cm> can be exchanged for any other desired prefix (see the Importer Manual (Deprecated)).

```
$ cm
Usage: bin/cm application parameter*
where application is one of: approve bulkpublish cancelpublication
changepassword checklicense cleanrecyclebin cleanversions dbindex
destroy destroyversions dump dumpusers encryptpasswordproperty
encryptpasswords events groovysh ior jconsole jmxdump
killsession license migrateplacements module multisiteconverter
post-config pre-config processorusage publications
publishall publish queryapprove query querypublish recordstate
repositorystatistics republish restorestate restoreusers rules
runlevel schemaaccess search serverexport serverimport sessions
sql systeminfo tracesession unlockcontentserver usedlicenses
validate-multisite version
```

Example 4.1. Output of cm in the cms-tools directory

4.1.1 Configuration of the Start Routine with JPIF Files

Each command-line tool has its own start file with the ending "jpif", which is executed on startup. The name of this file corresponds to the name used for starting the application with the $\mbox{cm/command}$ (for example $\mbox{cm/runlevel}$ uses $\mbox{runlevel.jpif}$). You'll find these files in the $\mbox{COREM_HOME}$ >/bin directory.

The JPIF files for applications determine, which Java class should be executed on starting the application. Further settings for the operation of the application can also be stored in this file. This file can be used to modify the Java Virtual Machine (JVM) where the application runs, while parameters can be passed to the JVM.

The following CoreMedia relevant modifications can be configured for the Java Virtual Machine in the JAVA VM ARGS section of the JPIF file:

The memory usage within the Java Virtual Machine can be configured using the explicit parameters -Xms<size> and -Xmx<size> or the relative parameters -XX:MinRAMPercentage=<size> and -XX:MaxRAMPercent age=<size>. -Xms and -XX:MinRAMPercentage specify the initial object memory size. -Xmx and -XX:MaxRAMPercentage the maximum object memory size. The memory requirement for the applications is not preconfigured, and it should be sized according to the standard hardware recommendations. To size an application, you should use the default JVM command-line augmentation facade, the JAVA_TOOL_OPTIONS environment variable, either set globally or per process.

The ORB can be configured to use a fixed CORBA port using the parameter com.coremedia.corba.server.port as described in Section 4.4, "Communication between the System Applications" [30].

Furthermore, the target of the log outputs of the Java process (see Section 4.7, "Logging" [49]) can be configured with the parameter OUTPUT_REDIRECT.

Three JPIF files cannot be invoked directly with the $\,$ cm command. They are executed internally:

- pre-config.jpif for installation dependent settings. In this file, the parameter VERBOSE can be set to false to reduce JVM outputs. On a Unix system, the JVM to use is set in this file.
- module.jpif for general environment settings for the Java programs in the CoreMedia system.
- post-config.jpif for special CoreMedia JVM settings.

In general, these files need not be changed.

4.1.2 Which JVM will be used?

For command-line tools the information about the JVM to use is read from the property JAVA_HOME in the pre-config.jpif file or from the environment variable.

If JAVA_HOME is not set, a JVM installed in the COREM_HOME directory will be used as the active JVM. The installation directory of the JVM has to be located directly below these directories. For example, <COREM_HOME>/jre.

4.2 CoreMedia CMS Directory Structure

CoreMedia applications come either as or as Spring Boot applications or as applications using the CoreMedia proprietary application structure. The latter will be described here.

CoreMedia applications

A CoreMedia application, the *Server Utilities* for example, has the following directories:

- ./bin: Start scripts (see Section 4.1, "Starting CoreMedia Command-Line Tools" [25]) for Unix (cm) and Windows (cm.exe, cmw.exe) as well as the start scripts of the individual CoreMedia utility programs.
- ./lib: Runtime resources like Java JAR files and DLLs.
- ./classes: Optional local classes. Note: The directory does not exist in the standard installation. It can contain customer-specific extensions.
- ./config/<component>: XML configuration files of the application.
- ./properties/corem: CoreMedia CMS configuration files in Java properties format.
- ./var/log: log files of the CoreMedia applications (see Section 4.7, "Log-ging" [49]).
- ./var/run: runtime data (such as Process ID).
- ./var/tmp: temporary data.

4.3 Configuration of CoreMedia Applications

CoreMedia server application, like the *Content Application Engine* or the *Content Management Server* for example, are deployed as a Spring Boot application JAR file and therefore follow the Spring Boot defaults for externalized configuration.

All other applications that follow the proprietary application structure, like the command-line utilities, can be configured using the following instructions:

CoreMedia applications are configured with Java properties files with the ending .properties. The encoding is ISO-8859-1. Each line stores a single property with the format key=value. The hash sign (#) is used for labeling comments, and the backslash (\) is used as escape character.

Each application of the *CoreMedia* system has one or more relevant property files where the operation of the application can be configured.

The locations of properties files for *CoreMedia* applications are (depending on the particular application):

- properties/corem
- · config

Windows Paths in Java Properties Files

When you configure a Windows paths in a property file, you have to escape a backslash with a second backslash in the path. This applies especially to paths for an importer inbox path. For more details about writing property values, see the Javadoc for the load() method in the java.util.Properties Java class.



4.4 Communication between the System Applications

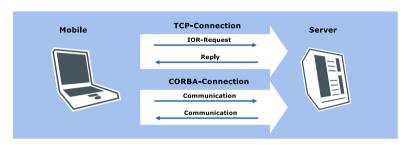


Figure 4.1. IOR inquiry and answer between CoreMedia Client and Server

CORBA is used for the communication between CoreMedia system applications. All CoreMedia applications require the IOR of the *Content Server* which they want to communicate with. The IOR of the *Content Server* will be delivered by the server via the HTTP protocol.

 All applications require the IOR of the Content Server with which they want to communicate.

The URL where to get the IOR of the *Content Server* is configured with the parameter cap.client.server.ior.url=<IOR-URL> in the file capclient.properties.

The value of the parameter is http://<server>:<port>/ior. Instead of <server> you have to insert the name of the computer where the server is running. Instead of <port> you have to insert the HTTP port on which the client connects to the server.

Example: The *Content Server* host has the name productionserver and the property cap.server.http-port is set to 44445. In this case, you can obtain the IOR with the following URL:

cap.client.server.ior.url=http://productionserv
er:44445/ior

The Content Management Server/Live Server embed their own host names into the IOR, which must be resolved by the client machines. If this is not possible by the client, you can configure the server to embed a numeric IP address into the IOR. To do so, set the property com.coremedia.corba.server.host. In the following example, the ORB is configured to embed its numeric address, by setting a system property:

-Dcom.coremedia.corba.server.host="10.1.3.253"

The Unified API takes care of detecting and cleaning up stale TCP connections at the CORBA level. This aids in reconnecting to the servers after a communication failure or a server downtime. If reconnects happen spuriously without an obvious cause, this feature can be disabled by setting the system property com.coremedia.corba.orb.reconnect=false.

As said before, classic CoreMedia client applications read its capclient.properties file to access the property cap.client.server.ior.url for the IOR URL of the server. Newer CAE/Spring/Unified API based clients read its Spring configuration file (repository.xml, CapConnectionFactory...) to access the server IOR. When Content Servers act as clients to access other Content Servers, they read the IOR URL from other configuration files:

- The Content Management Server must know the IOR of the Master Live Server during publication.
 - The IOR URL is stored in the property publisher.target[0].ior-url.
- The Replication Live Server (when installed) has to communicate with its Master Live Server.
 - The IOR URL is stored in the property replicator.publicationIorUrl.

4.4.1 Default Application Ports

Depending on the deployment setup, the ports on each application are either standardized to identical ports or to unique ports:

- Plain Spring Boot JAR files define standardized identical ports. If you plan to install services using the plain JAR files, make sure to set unique ports if multiple applications should be installed on the same host.
- The Docker images use standardized identical ports. The container abstraction
 ensures that there cannot be a port conflict between two containers unless
 both forward a port to the same port on the host.
- The deployment archive configures a unique port schema for all applications.
 In ????, you can find the port conventions.

4.4.2 Communication Through a Firewall

In order to communicate with the *CoreMedia Server* or *Workflow Server*, two open ports are required:

- The HTTP port to fetch the IOR
- The CORBA port for communication

In the default configuration, the CORBA port changes with every restart of the application server, which is inconvenient in case of an intermediate firewall. In this case, the port can be set to a fixed value through the property com.coremedia.corba.server.port. In the following example, the ORB is configured to listen on port 55555, by setting a system property:

-Dcom.coremedia.corba.server.port=55555

If you want to access the *Server* from "outside" a firewall and the server IP address is not directly accessible (due to network address translation for example), it is possible to establish an SSH tunnel. The tunnel forwards all traffic from the client to the server. Of course, the endpoint of the tunnel must be able to reach the server. Figure 4.2, "Schema of the SSH tunnel" [32] shows the scenario:

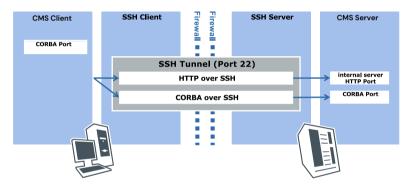


Figure 4.2. Schema of the SSH tunnel

Four parties are involved in the tunneling:

- · A client <CMSClient> which cannot access the server directly.
- The client-side SSH client <SSHClient> which cannot access the Content Server.
- The server-side SSH server <SSHServer> which can access the Content Server.
- The CoreMedia Server < CMSServer>.

<CMSClient>/<SSHClient> and <CMSServer>/<SSHServer> can reside on the same machine respectively.

Two ports must be configured:

- <HTTPPort> is the HTTP port for the IOR.
- <CORBAPort> is the port for CORBA communication.

For this scenario you must do the following:

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- · Establish the tunnel
- Redirect client requests to the tunnel endpoint SSHClient instead of CMSServer

Proceed as follows:

- Configure the HTTP port of the server as usual, for example, in application.properties.
- Configure the HTTP address where to fetch the IOR of the server in the cap client.properties file as follows:

```
cap.client.server.ior.url=http://<SSHClient>:<HTTP
Port>/ior
```

- 3. Start an SSH server on <SSHServer>. No particular configuration is necessary.
- 4. Start the SSH client on <SSHClient>.
- 5. On a UNIX system, open the tunnel on the SSHClient with

- . Replace the values in angle brackets with the appropriate settings.
- 6. For the Windows SSH client SSH Secure Shell choose Edit|Settings|Profile Settings|Tunneling|Incoming. You need to make two entries. Insert as follows:
 - Type: TCP
 - · Listen Port: <HTTPPort>
 - Destination Host: <CMSServer>
 - Destination Port: <HTTPPort>

and

- Type: TCP
- · Listen Port: <CORBAPort>
- Destination Host: <CMSServer>
- Destination Port: <CORBAPort>

This will instruct ssh to forward all requests on <SSHClient>:<Port> via <SSH-Server> to <CMSServer>:<Port>.

6. In order to instruct a client to contact <SSHClient> instead of <CMSServer>, you need to configure its client-side ORB with system properties.

For command line tools, you can set system properties in the JPIF file.

You need to set the following properties, replacing <CMSServer> and <SSHClient> with the names of the appropriate computers and <CorbaPort> with the port number of the ends of the SSH tunnel:

Property Type	Property Name	Property Value
System	com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.redirect.original-host	<cmsserver></cmsserver>
System	<pre>com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.redirect.redirect-host</pre>	<sshclient></sshclient>
System	com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.redirect.original-port	<corbaport></corbaport>
System	<pre>com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.redirect.redirect-port</pre>	<corbaport></corbaport>

Table 4.1. Properties for SSH configuration

An alternative to setting up an SSH tunnel might be the use of a VPN, or SSL.

4.4.3 Binding Only a Single Network Interface

By default, both HTTP port, and the CORBA port are bound to all network interfaces. For example your server might be accessible through two network cards using the IP addresses 10.1.3.253 and 10.1.3.254. For security reasons, you might want to grant access to the servers only through one of the interfaces.

Binding the HTTP port to only one single interface can be achieved by setting the property server.address to the corresponding IP.

For limiting the access through CORBA, too, set the following properties when starting the *Content Management Server* and the *Workflow Server*:

Property Type	Property Name	Property Value
System	com.coremedia.corba.serv er.host	<lp>ddress></lp>

Property Type	Property Name	Property Value	
System	com.coremedia.corba.serv er.single-ip	<pre></pre>	

Table 4.2. Properties for Single IP configuration

Replace <IpAddress> by the IP address of the network interface to bind, for example 10.1.3.253. If you want to secure this connection via SSL, proceed with the next section.

4.4.4 Encrypting CORBA Communication Using SSL

In a standard CoreMedia installation, session handles and content are transmitted in clear text across the network between client and server. This is usually not a problem when the editorial workplaces and the servers reside in the same trusted network. However, for secure remote access, encrypted communication is sometimes required.

If SSH tunneling is not an option, alternatively a Secure Socket Layer (SSL) connection can be used for the CORBA communication between CoreMedia applications.

The setup is slightly more complex than in the SSH case, because the certificate handling has to be administered explicitly for Java's SSL implementation, and because the port mapping has to be specified in CoreMedia configuration files.

In the following example it is assumed that communication has to be encrypted between a client on one side, and the *Content Server* and *Workflow Server* on the other side.

NOTE

In this example, the port numbers from table Table 4.3, "Example SSL Ports" [35] are used. You may want to use different port numbers for your deployment.



Server	Clear-Text Port	SSL Port
Content Server	14300	14443

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Server	Clear-Text Port	SSL Port
Workflow Server	14305	14445

Table 4.3. Example SSL Ports

The servers open an SSL Port in addition to the clear-text port. This allows the same server to be accessed using clear text communication from within a trusted network, and using SSL from outside. When a client is configured to use SSL, not a single byte will be sent to the clear text port, which may be blocked from outside access by a firewall.

Note that the server's HTTP port will have to be accessible to clients, for example to retrieve the IOR.

Enable SSL Encryption

Enabling SSL encryption for CORBA communication requires the following steps:

- 1. Create key stores for Content Server, Workflow Server and clients.
- 2. Prepare the Content Server for SSL communication
- 3. Prepare the Workflow Server for SSL communication
- 4. Prepare the client for SSL communication.
- 5. Restart all three applications
- 6. Verify SSL communication

Create key stores

Create **key stores** which will later be distributed to the servers and clients. Consult your JDK documentation for further details about the **keytool** command.

1. Create self-signed server keys for Content Server and Workflow Server

```
keytool -genkey -alias contentserver -v -keyalg RSA \
   -keystore contentserver.keystore
keytool -genkey -alias workflowserver -v -keyalg RSA \
   -keystore workflowserver.keystore
```

2. Export the server's public keys from their key stores:

```
keytool -export -rfc -keystore contentserver.keystore \
   -alias contentserver -file contentserver.public-key
```

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```
keytool -export -rfc -keystore workflowserver.keystore \
-alias workflowserver -file workflowserver.public-key
```

Prepare the Content Server for SSL communication

1. Add the following properties to the content server's configuration:

Property Name	Property Value
com.coremedia.corba.server.port	14300
com.coremedia.corba.serv er.ssl.ssl-port	14443
com.coremedia.corba.server.ssl.key store	<path contentserver.keystore="" to=""></path>
com.coremedia.corba.serv er.ssl.passphrase	<mypassword></mypassword>

Table 4.4. Properties for Content Server SSL configuration

2. Place the contentserver.keystore in the location defined by the com.coremedia.corba.server.ssl.keystore property.

Prepare the Workflow Server for SSL communication

1. Add the following properties to the workflow server's configuration:

Property Name	Property Value
com.coremedia.corba.server.port	14305
com.coremedia.corba.serv er.ssl.ssl-port	14445
<pre>com.coremedia.corba.server.ssl.key store</pre>	<path to="" workflowserver.keystore=""></path>
com.coremedia.corba.serv er.ssl.passphrase	<mypassword></mypassword>

Table 4.5. Properties for Workflow Server SSL configuration

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 Place the workflowserver.keystore in the location defined by the com.coremedia.corba.server.ssl.keystore property of the workflow server

The following two steps are optional and are limited to rare cases, in which SSL encrypted communication may also be required between workflow server and content server.

In this case, you should add the content server's key to the workflow server's key store, and configure the workflow server as an SSL client. Run the following command:

```
keytool -import -alias contentserver -keystore \
workflowserver.keystore -file contentserver.public-key
```

 In addition to the above, set the following client system properties during invocation of the Workflow Server:

Property Name	Property Value
com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.ssl.clear-text-ports	14300
com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.ssl.ssl-ports	14443
<pre>com.coremedia.corba.client.ssl.key store</pre>	<path to="" workflowserver.keystore=""></path>
com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.ssl.passphrase	<mypassword></mypassword>

Table 4.6. Properties for Workflow to Content Server SSL configuration

Preparing a client ORB for SSL communication

All CoreMedia clients use CORBA to communicate with the servers.

1. Import the servers' public keys to the clients's key store:

```
keytool -import -alias contentserver \
  -keystore editor.keystore -file contentserver.public-key
keytool -import -alias workflowserver \
```

```
-keystore editor.keystore \
-file workflowserver.public-key
```

2. Configure the ORB for SSL by setting the properties from Table 4.7, "Properties for Client ORB SSL configuration" [39].

Property Name	Property Value
com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.ssl.clear-text-ports	14300,14305
com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.ssl.ssl-ports	14443,14445
<pre>com.coremedia.corba.client.ssl.key store</pre>	<path editor.keystore="" to=""></path>
com.coremedia.corba.cli ent.ssl.passphrase	<mypassword></mypassword>

Table 4.7. Properties for Client ORB SSL configuration

The comma separated values of the clear-text-ports and the ssl-ports properties must match. They must have the same length, and the n-th value of each property refers to the same component. In this example the first values, 14300 and 14443, denote the content server, and the second values, 14305 and 14445 belong to the workflow server.

Restart Workflow Server, Content Server, and clients.

Restart all servers by restarting the servlet container where they are deployed.

Verify SSL communication

Verify SSL communication by searching the applications' logs for error messages, and by using *netstat* or *lsof*. Under Solaris, using the port numbers in this example, you could use the command:

```
netstat -e -a -p|grep ":14[34]"
```

It should show that before starting the client, the server is listening on port 14443/14445 (which are the SSL ports) and 14300/14305 (the clear text ports). After the client is started and a user has logged in, a connection should be established on port 14443/14445 (and *not* 14300/14305) towards the client's machine. Note that other applications might continue to connect to the clear text ports.

4.4.5 Preparing Spring Boot applications for HTTPS Connection

HTTPS is a variant of HTTP, which enables encrypted data transmission between a server and a client. It is therefore recommended, that you create the servlet container client (*CAE*) connection via HTTPS. This chapter describes how you create a key and how you configure Tomcat to use this key.

4.4.5.1 Creating a Key

In order to connect a client and server application via HTTPS you have to generate a key for the servlet container. This key is sent from server to client with each query of the client to the server. The client decides whether the sender of the key is trustworthy with every single request.

Creation of the key

The tool for creating the key is supplied with the JDK. You create the key with the following entries:

1. Enter the following command:

```
<java-home>/bin/keytool -genkey -alias spring-boot \
   -keyalg RSA \
   -storetype PKCS12 \
   -keysize 2048 \
   -keystore /example/coremedia/coremedia.keystore \
```

In this way you call the program keytool in the directory <java-home>/bin. You initiate creation of the key (-genkey) with the alias name (-alias spring-boot). A key is created according to the RSA algorithm. The key is saved in the -keystore file /example/coremedia/coremedia. keystore (here you can enter your own path/name). If you already have a key store file, you must enter the location of this file.

- At the next input request, enter a password. If you want to save the key in an already existing key store, you must enter the password of this file.
- 3. At the next input request, enter the name of the server (the entry given below is an example).

What are your first and last name?

```
[Unknown]: webserver.coremedia.com
```

- Confirm the following input requests with <Return>, until you are asked to confirm the correctness of the previous entries.
- Enter "y" and <Return> to confirm the previous entries. You can cancel by entering <Return>.

After a short pause, you are asked for the "key password for < Spring Boot>".

Enter the password you have defined in step 2 for your newly created key with the alias "tomcat".

Now, you have finished key creation.

4.4.5.2 Configuring Spring Boot

With Spring Boot configuring SSL can be done completely by setting a set of properties. For a complete reference of properties available, see common Spring application properties and look for server.ssl. prefix. For the current example, configure the properties below:

```
server.ssl.enabled=true
server.ssl.key-alias=spring-boot
server.ssl.key-password=changeit
server.ssl.key-store=/example/coremedia/coremedia.keystore
server.ssl.key-store-type=PKCS12
server.ssl.key-store-password=changeit
```

4.4.6 Troubleshooting

Applications do not respond on request. The CPU load of the applications is high, the thread dump shows threads that use nio classes.

Possible cause:

Problems with the CORBA ORB.

Possible Solution:

Add the following ORB property as a system property for the affected applications:

```
-Dcom.sun.corba.ee.transport.ORBUseNIOSelectToWait=false
```

4.5 Collaborative Components

CoreMedia offers tools for collaboration between editors in Studio. Collaboration means sharing content, collaborating by publishing and translating content, assigning tasks to users, and notifying editors about recent actions with their content.

4.5.1 Overview

The following components provide collaborative features in CoreMedia Studio:

- · Studio Control Room Plugin
- · Notifications Studio Plugin
- · User Changes Application
- · Extensions of the Workflow Server

4.5.2 Deployment

The default deployment of CoreMedia's collaborative components is with a MongoDB database. When deployed with a MongoDB database, configure the collaborative components to connect to your MongoDB instance using the configuration properties given below.

Use SQL as Persistence Layer

Since CoreMedia Content Cloud v12.2412.0, you can use SQL as a persistence layer for the collaborative components.

For more information, see Section 4.2.4, "SQL Replacement for MongoDB-Based Editorial Services" in *Blueprint Developer Manual*.



Property	Example	Description
mongodb.client-uri	<pre>mongodb://<user name="">:<pass word="">@<host>:<port>/</port></host></pass></user></pre>	The URL of the MongoDB to connect to. Replace <username>, <pass word="">, <host> and <port> with the appropriate values of the MongoDB installation. Add this property to the WEB-INF/applica tion.properties file of Studio,</port></host></pass></username>

Property	Example	Description
		User Changes Application and Work- flow Server, and let it point to your MongoDB.
mongodb.prefix	<pre><prefix></prefix></pre>	When the collaborative components persist collaboration data to a <i>MongoDB</i> database, the default name of its database is prefixed by blue print. To configure a different database name prefix, add this property to WEB-INF/application.properties files of <i>Studio</i> , <i>User Changes Application</i> and <i>Workflow Servers</i> .

Table 4.8. Properties for persistence of collaboration data to MongoDB

MongoDB Authentication

MongoDB authentication is enabled on deployment level, and the user coremedia/coremedia is created by default.

Authentication is performed against the admin database. Example:

```
use admin
db.auth('coremedia','coremedia')
```

The default mongodb.client-uri is configured with credentials, for example

```
mongodb.client-uri=mongodb://coremedia:coremedia@${installation.host}:27017
```

For development with a MongoDB without authentication, either remove the credentials prefix from the mongodb.client-uri property or create a user with:

```
use admin
db.createUser({user: 'coremedia', pwd: 'coremedia', roles:
['userAdminAnyDatabase', 'dbAdminAnyDatabase', 'readWriteAnyDatabase']});
```

4.5.3 Recovery of Collaborative Components Database

In this chapter you will get to know how to back up and recover the database, deployed with CoreMedia's collaborative components.

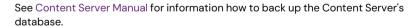
4.5.3.1 Backup Strategy

You need to have database backups to recover from database failures. The backups are created with database tools. The exact backup procedure depends on your database product and likely on the configuration of your database. The chronological order of the backups is crucial:

- 1. Backup the database for CoreMedia Editorial Comments.
- 2. Backup the CoreMedia collaborative components database.
- 3. Backup the Content Management Server's database.

CAUTION

Note, that recovery will work correctly, if this given chronological order of backups is respected. The content of the *Content Management Server* must be newer than the content of the collaborative component's database. The time between the single backups should be short.



You can find an overview about backup of MongoDB and possible backup strategies here.



4.5.3.2 Recovery of the Collaborative Components Database

In order to recover the database of the collaborative components, proceed as follows:

- 1. Stop CoreMedia Studio, Workflow Server and User Changes Application.
- 2. Stop the *Content Management Server*. The sessions of the connected clients will be closed and no more content changes are possible.
- 3. Restore the *Content Management Server* with a backup. Note, that this backup must be newer than the backup of the collaborative components database.
- 4. Restart the Content Management Server.
- 5. Recover the database of CoreMedia's collaborative components.
- 6. Restart CoreMedia Studio, Workflow Server and User Changes.

4.6 CoreMedia Licenses

CoreMedia CMS uses file based licenses. Only server applications (Content Management Server and Live Servers) have a license file on their own. All other applications are licensed by the license file of the server they connect to. The license file will be read in from the directory defined in the property cap.server.license and will be validated each time the licensed application starts. If the license is valid, the application will start properly. CoreMedia distinguishes between two kinds of licenses:

- Time-based license
 Limits the use of an application to a specific period.
- IP-based license
 Limits the use of an application to a specific computer, defined by its IP address and/or host name.

Both license types can define a valid *CoreMedia CMS* release using the release attribute. If you use time-based licenses, the application will not start if the license has expired. In addition, the license file defines a grace period. You receive a notification, after exceeding the grace period.

Both license types may limit the number of clients that can connect to the application simultaneously. This is achieved, using the following concepts:

- · Named user
 - A named user is a specific *CoreMedia CMS* user, known by the system. Each service connects as a user to the server. The attribute named-users defines the maximum number of users that are allowed to use a specific service.
- Concurrent user
 Concurrent users are users that are connected simultaneously to the server.
 The attribute concurrent-users defines the maximum number of named users that are allowed to connect simultaneously.
- Multiplicity

A named user may connect several times to the server (use Studio in different browsers, for example). The attribute multiplicity defines the maximum number of allowed connections for a named user.

Use the utility sessions (see Section 3.13.1.8, "Sessions" in Content Server Manual) to get this information and the utility usedlicenses (see Section 3.13.2.21, "Usedlicenses" in Content Server Manual) to free used licenses. If the built-in user admin (user ID 0) has no open sessions, that user may log in to the Content Server even if the licenses are otherwise exhausted. This makes it possible to start the utilities for recovering from a license shortage in any case.

A server license can be exchanged at runtime without restarting the server. The property cap.server.license defines the location of the license file. When the file or location changes, the server will automatically reload the license. Reloading the license will not cause any open sessions to be closed, even if the new license is more restrictive than the old one.

Example:

```
<LicenseConfiguration>
 <Server type="production"/>
  <Property name="licensed-to" value="Customer"/>
<Property name="workflow" value="enabled"/>
 <Property name="workflow" value="enabled"/>
<Property name="elastic-social" value="enabled"/>
<Property name="personalization" value="enabled"/>
<Property name="analytics" value="enabled"/>
  <Property name="livecontext" value="enabled"/>
  <Property name="brand-blueprint" value="enabled"/>
  Property name="asset-management" value="enabled"/>
<Property name="id" value="10394"/>
  <Valid from="01.01.2015" until="01.12.2015" grace="01.11.2015"/>
  <License service="editor" concurrent-users="30000"</pre>
   named-users="200"/>
  <License service="system" concurrent-users="5"</pre>
   named-users="25"/>
  <License service="webserver" concurrent-users="15"</pre>
   named-users="50"/>
  <License service="studio" concurrent-users="15"</pre>
   named-users="50"/>
  <License service="workflow" concurrent-users="600"</pre>
   named-users="200"/>
  <License service="importer" concurrent-users="2"</pre>
   named-users="25"/>
  <License service="publisher" concurrent-users="33"
named-users="200"/>
  <License service="debug" concurrent-users="100"</pre>
   named-users="100"/>
  <License service="replicator" concurrent-users="5"</pre>
   named-users="10"/>
  <License service="feeder" concurrent-users="2"</pre>
   named-users="10"/>
</LicenseConfiguration>
```

Example 4.2. A sample license file

The attributes of the License file elements have the following meaning:

Element	Attribute	Description
Server	type	The type of the server for which the license is valid. Possible values are: • production: The Content Management Server • publication: The Master Live Server • live: The Replication Live Server
Property	name	The aim of the property. Possible values are:

Element	Attribute	Description
		 licensed-to: The customer to which the system is licensed. workflow: Defines if the programmable workflow is licensed ("enabled"). analytics: Defines if Analytics is licensed ("enabled"). elastic-social: Defines if Elastic Social is licensed ("enabled"). personalization: Defines if Adaptive Personalization is licensed ("enabled"). elastic-social: Defines if Elastic Social is licensed ("enabled"). id: The unique ID of the license.
	value	The value of the property. The possible values depend on the name attribute.
Valid	from	The starting date of the validity of the license.
	until	The end date of the validity of the license.
	grace	The starting point of the grace period.
	release	The CoreMedia release for which the license is valid.
	host	The host name for which the license is valid.
	ip	The IP address for which the license is valid.
License	service	The name of a service that might connect to the server.
	concurrent- users	The maximum number of simultaneously allowed sessions of this service.
	named-users	The maximum number of users that are allowed to be allocated to the service.
	multiplicity	The maximum number of sessions a user is allowed to open.

4.7 Logging

An important element in the monitoring of *CoreMedia CMS* applications is logging. Without recording relevant information of the system it is often impossible to find out when an irregularity occurred.

Logback

CoreMedia Content Cloud uses Logback for logging. You can use all features of Logback when configuring the log configuration of CoreMedia applications. See Logback documentation for details https://logback.qos.ch/documentation.html. One exception is Apache Solr, which uses Apache Log4i.

4.7.1 Logging Configuration for Applications

CoreMedia applications use Logback. The log configuration for each application is packaged into each application jar archive. To configure the log level of a specific logger, you only need to set an application property, which follows the Spring Boot standard for log configuration. You can set the property in any of the location described in the official Spring Boot documentation.

If for example you want to set the log level of the com.coremedia logger to debug, set the following property and restart the application.

logging.level.com.coremedia=debug

If you want to change the log level at runtime without a restart, you can use the logger management actuator for an application if enabled. If that is the case, you can use a simple PUT request to set the new level. Visit the official Spring Documentation for more details.

If you want to change other logging characteristics, you need to add a src/main/resources/logback-spring.xml file in each Spring Boot application module before building it.

4.7.2 Logging Configuration for Apache Solr

Apache Solr uses Apache Log4j 2 as log framework, which is configured in the file server/resources/log4j2.xml in the Solr installation.

Note that you can use the Solr admin page to view log messages and change the log level at runtime. Alternatively you could configure Apache Solr to use Logback as well, but then you cannot use the logging functionality of the Solr admin page. See Solr Reference Guide: Configuring Logging for details on Solr log configuration.

4.7.3 Logging Configuration for Command-Line Tools

The logging configuration for each command-line tool is taken from the tools-logback.xml file in properties/corem directory by default. You can use a customized configuration file and add the file name to the system properties when initializing the application with:

You will find the default logging facilities of CoreMedia applications in the default logging configuration.

stdout/stderr Output

Enter the location for the stdout/stderr output of an application and any other third-party program in the corresponding JPIF start file of the application. To do so, configure the parameter OUTPUT_REDIRECT in the corresponding JPIF file of the application as it is described in this file.

4.8 Security

To secure a *CoreMedia CMS* installation against unauthorized access, you have to consider the various system components, their operating environment and their interconnection.

As a general rule, protect the system on all possible levels. For example, good passwords and a good network infrastructure complement each other, but do not make each other obsolete.

4.8.1 Overall Deployment

Typically, a firewall is in place between the content management environment and the delivery environment, limiting the information flow from the untrusted Internet environment. Additionally, a firewall in front of the delivery environment may further reduce the number of exposed system components and communication ports of the delivery environment.

Typically, access from the Internet is granted to a load balancer, only, which delegates requests to the CAEs.

Especially services that are not properly protected by authentication must never be exposed outside the local network. Examples for this rule would be a MongoDB in its default configuration, or a Solr instance. For more details how to secure Solr in the *CMCC* context, see Section 4.8.7.1, "Securing the Solr Search Engine" [55].

If necessary, access to the content management environment may be granted through a VPN, allowing remote editor connections.

Much of the communication between system components happens through either HTTP or CORBA. You can find details and helpful security hints in Section 4.4, "Communication between the System Applications" [30]. In particular, it is shown how CORBA can be layered on top of SSL.

4.8.2 Open Ports

CoreMedia components communicate through various TCP based protocols. To that end, server ports are opened. You should make sure that only required ports are open.

The application server can open multiple connectors, for example, supporting both HTTP and AJP. You should disable the ports you don't need.

Prefer HTTPS over HTTP and, where possible, disable the HTTP ports entirely. See Section 4.4.5, "Preparing Spring Boot applications for HTTPS Connection" [40] for instructions on the Tomcat configuration.

Both Content Server and Workflow Server need a CORBA server port opened by the ORB. They can use a dedicated ORB, but typically they use the ORB provided by the application container as described in Section 4.4, "Communication between the System Applications" [30].

CORBA clients will also instantiate an ORB if it is not provided by an application container.

Server ports that listen to many network interfaces are more prone to attacks. In Section 4.4.3, "Binding Only a Single Network Interface" [34] you can find procedures to limit the number of network interfaces bound when providing services.

Services can be managed by means of JMX. Use the existing JMX connectors and do not open additional connectors. Make sure that accesses to the connectors are subject to authentication.

4.8.3 Passwords

Change all standard passwords of built-in users immediately after installation. Use good passwords.

When providing a password to command line tools in automated procedures, prefer the environment variable REPOSITORY_PASSWORD to the -p command line argument. If possible, retrieve the password immediately before calling the command line tool from a secure password vault. Make sure that the environment variable does not remain set for too long.

The users' passwords are stored by the *Content Servers* as salted hashes. The hash algorithm can be configured using the server property cap.server.login.passwordHashAlgorithm, which should be set to bcrypt:N where N is the load factory of the bcrypt password hashing algorithm. Higher values of N slow down the hashing performance and improve security. Set N to at least 10 and choose higher values if the CPU performance allows it.

The passwords can be encrypted additionally by using the tool cm encrypt passwords as described in Section 3.13.2.7, "Encryptpasswords" in Content Server Manual.

Some passwords stored in configuration files can be encrypted using the tool encryptpasswordproperty as described in Section 3.13.1, "Information" in *Content Server Manual.* This applies to:

- database passwords used by Content Server, Workflow Server and Studio Server
- · passwords for connecting to Content Server and Workflow Server,
- passphrases for the CORBA-over-SSL keystore.

Passwords for connecting to an LDAP server, to a MongoDB or to a Solr cannot be protected in the same manner.

4.8.4 URL Injection

Blobs can be stored as URLs that are resolved when the blob is accessed (persistent URL blobs). This feature is restricted to HTTP and HTTPS URLs by default, because other URLs like file URLs might point to sensitive data that can be exfiltrated by injecting a malicious URL into the content repository. To control the allowed URLs for URL blobs, set the *Content Server* property cap.server.blobUrlPattern to a regular expression that matches the allowed URLs. Note that the pattern is used to check URLs during writes and does not affect already stored blobs.

4.8.5 Data Storage

Make sure that read and write rights for databases and for file systems containing CMS installations and data are reduced to a minimum.

Some CoreMedia components are configured to write heap dumps when they run out of memory, helping you to quickly diagnose critical failures. Make sure that the directories to which these heap dumps are written are properly secured, because heap dumps contain sensitive information like passwords, which might not have been disposed by the garbage collector.

Log files, too, must only be readable by an authorized staff. They can contain hints that help an attacker spot weaknesses.

The temporary directory of Java as configured by the system property <code>java.io.tmpdir</code> is used for some data. Often it points to a directory that is writable by everyone. Preferably, you should use a secured and isolated temporary directory for each component. Alternatively you can configure the storage directory paths explicitly as far as they default to the temporary directory.

On some operating systems, <code>java.io.tmpdir</code> is mapped to a directory that is regularly cleaned up by the operating system. For short running processes this behaviour won't affect the application, but for long-running processes, this may result in unintended cache data loss and application faults. To prevent this,

you should always configure cache locations such as the UAPI blob cache to a different directory outside of these automatically cleaned paths.

The most important data storage locations are summarized in the following list:

- the databases of all Content Servers and the Workflow Server.
- if so configured, the blob stores of all Content Servers,
- · the stores of all MongoDB instances,
- · the input directories of importer processes,
- the Solr home directory, which should be created before Solr is started so that it is does not default to the Java temporary directory,
- · if so configured, the serialization file of the Control Room in-memory store,
- the temporary file stores of all Replication Content Servers, as configured in the replicator.tmpDir property,
- the blob caches of all *Unified API* connections as configured in the reposit
 ory.blobCachePath property or the Cap.BLOB_CACHE_PATH connection attribute (defaulting to the Java temporary directory),
- the installation directories of all components,
- · the logging directories.

4.8.6 Content Delivery

The most visible service of a CoreMedia CMS installation are the delivery CAEs.

Validate request URLs and request parameters. Make sure a properly styled, but terse error page is in place to avoid giving hints about the cause of malfunctions. Make sure to escape text data properly to avoid cross-site scripting attacks.

4.8.7 Third-party Software

Make sure to apply security patches to the operating systems, the Java installation, the databases and all other third-party software. Refer to the supported environments documentation for details on the tested versions of all third-party software.

CoreMedia Studio and some other components run in web browsers. Make sure to update the browsers regularly to the latest version. Being manually operated, browsers offer a particularly large attack surface.

4.8.7.1 Securing the Solr Search Engine

The Solr engine is no public service within the CMCC architecture. Therefore, any external requests should be blocked by a firewall.

Index update requests (like "delete all") from internal computers should be restricted by Basic Authentication. For details, see Solr Reference Guide: Securing Solr. All related *CMCC* components are capable of Solr Basic Authentication and feature the configuration properties <code>solr.username</code> and <code>solr.password</code> to set the credentials.

4.8.8 Customizations

Both frontend and backend applications are typically deployed with code fragments for customization or may in some cases be written from scratch based on the CoreMedia APIs. Make sure to review source code for security issues.

Validate input data and handle imported data robustly. Be careful when external data causes the access of local resources, for example reading files or content objects or making server-side remote requests. XML parsing may leak local data through XML external entity (XXE) references. While the XML API in com.coremedia.xml has been hardened as far as possible, the native Java XML parsing might be more vulnerable.

Java serialization and deserialization must be used with care, because the JVM suspends certain protection mechanism for these operations, allowing both data leaks and code execution.

Note that a *Unified API* connection can perform all operations for which its logged-in user is authorized. A *Unified API* connection for the users studio and workflow may even incorporate other users, thereby gaining full access. This means that extensions of the *Workflow Server*, and *Studio* must be particularly well checked.

4.9 JMX Management

By default, all CoreMedia applications register relevant resources via JMX as MBeans for management and monitoring purposes. This might range from simple log configuration up to repository statistics or cache capacities. You will find a list of the functionality supported via JMX in most of the CoreMedia application manuals.

All resources are registered using Spring's ability to register and export MBeans to an MBean server. You can access the MBean server with any JMX client without configuration, if this client is running on the same machine. A common JMX client is JConsole, which is bundled with Oracle's JDK, but you can also choose one of the freely available clients.

4.10 Actuator Endpoints

Spring Boot Actuator is a part of the Spring Boot framework to provide production ready features for all applications to integrate them into your production land-scape.

CoreMedia enables a set of these endpoints by default and adds custom endpoints on top to provide a seamless integration for your operational needs. This section will focus only on the customizations and additions to the default actuator set.

Some of the added endpoints will apply to multiple applications and will be activated by application properties and Spring autoconfigurations and some are only available in specific applications and need to be activated on demand.

4.10.1 Info Endpoint

The info endpoint exposes arbitrary application info. For CoreMedia applications, it exposes build information and the servlet container's name and version. If the dev or local spring profile is active, it also exposes basic information about the application's dependencies.

The info endpoint can be enriched with custom data by adding beans implementing org.springframework.boot.actuate.info.InfoContributor.

4.10.2 Health Endpoint

The health endpoint can be enriched with custom health checks by adding classes extending the org.springframework.boot.actu ate.health.HealthIndicator class of the Spring Boot framework. Each health indicator is a bean with a name suffix healthIndicator. In the example below we will describe the usage on a health indicator with the name uapiCon nection.

By default the health indicator can be enabled or disbled by configuring the following property:

Endpoint properties:

management.health.uapiConnection.enabled=true

When activated, the health indicator will extend the default health endpoint with its name as its subpath.

Endpoint details activated:

```
management.endpoint.health.show-details=always
```

Endpoint URL:

```
http://localhost:8081/actuator/health/uapiConnection
```

When requested using a GET HTTP request, the endpoint will response with a HTTP return code, matching the state of the check.

Response:

- Global health endpoint status.
- Health status of the uapiConnection health indicator.
- Details of the uapiConnection health indicator when detailed view is enabled.

4.10.2.1 CoreMedia Health Indicator

id	Description
uapiConnection	Checks the state of the UAPI connection. In the details view, the status of each connected repository is shown (content repository, workflow repository).
uapiConnection- Readiness	Checks also the future state of the UAPI connection based on runlevel changes of the repository.
runlevel	Checks the runlevel of a content server. See extra description how to use this in Kubernetes.
mongoDb	Checks the health of the MongoDB connection if available.
elasticSolr	Checks the health of the Solr connection in the elastic social context if available.
contentSolr	Checks the health of the Solr connection for content search if available.

id	Description	
blob- CacheDiskSpace	Checks if enough diskspace is available for the UAPI blobcache. The threshold can be configured using the property management.health.blob CacheDiskspace.threshold.	
transformedBlob- CacheDiskSpace	Checks if enough diskspace is available for the transformed blobcache. The threshold can be configured using the property management. health.transformedBlobCacheDiskspace.threshold.	
capListData- Source	Checks the state of the CapList data source, which stores data for 'My Edited Content' and workflow lists.	
editorialCom- mentsData- source	Checks the state of the editorial comments datasource.	
commerceEnd- pointHealth	Checks the health of the commerce endpoint. In the details the health for each connected commerce system adapter is shown.	
replicator	Checks the state of the replication process. In the details, it is possible to track the amount of unreplicated events. With the property manage ment.health.replicator.uncompleted-events-threshold, it is possible to define a threshold to fail the check.	
contentFeeder-	Checks the state of the content feeder.	
HealthIndicator		

Table 4.10. Health indicators

4.10.2.2 Health Endpoints in the Context of a Kubernetes Deployment

In a Kubernetes deployment, you have three different probing mechanism to determine the state of your pod.

- a startupProbe to delay adding the pod to the loadbalancing until it is ready for business. This probe is especially relevant if an application takes a long initialization time aside from being ready.
- a readinessProbe to signal the loadbalancing that the application pod is ready to accept traffic.

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 a livenessProbe to signal that the application pod is alive and should not be removed for rescheduling.

In order to use these probes, there are dedicated endpoints below the health endpoint:

- container:8081/actuator/health/readiness
- container:8081/actuator/health/liveness

These endpoints are activated by the following Spring Boot properties, which are enabled by default in the Blueprint workspace:

```
management.endpoint.health.probes.enabled=true management.health.livenessstate.enabled=true management.health.readinessstate.enabled=true
```

In UAPI clients, the uapiConnectionReadiness health indicator can be added to the readiness health endpoint to signal Kubernetes an upcoming runlevel change of the content-server to remove the pod from loadbalancing and deny further traffic. The runlevel switch can then be triggered using the Section 4.10.7, "Content Server Runlevel Endpoint" [77] with a grace period in the content-server pod during a preStop lifecycle hook followed by a sleep timeout equal to the grace period. This way, the grace period and the sleep timeout are defining the connection draining period of the client.

To include the uapiConnectionReadiness health endpoint in the readiness endpoint, you need to set the following Spring Boot properties:

4.10.3 Cache Endpoint

The cache endpoint provides the possibility to get information about the configuration and usage of the CoreMedia cache, and to change its capacity, clear the cache, or trigger a cache eviction. For more information about the cache and its properties, see the API documentation of Java class com.core media.cache.Cache.

Endpoint properties:

management.endpoint.cache.access=unrestricted

Endpoint URL:

http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache

4.10.3.1 Retrieving Cache Classes

To retrieve all cache classes, make a GET request to /actuator/cache:

```
curl http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache
```

The JSON response body lists cache classes with their capacity and current level, as in the following example:

Response:

```
{
  "cacheClasses": {
    "ALWAYS STAY IN CACHE": {
        "capacity": 9223372036854775807,
        "level": 26,
        "href": "http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/ALWAYS_STAY_IN_CACHE"
},
  "DIGEST": {
        "capacity": 9223372036854775807,
        "level": 0,
        "href": "http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/DIGEST"
},
  "com.coremedia.cap.disk": {
        "capacity": 10737418240,
        "level": 0,
        "href": "http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/com.coremedia.cap.disk"
},
  "com.coremedia.cap.heap": {
        "capacity": 104857600,
        "level": 88905639,
        "href": "http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/com.coremedia.cap.heap"
},
  "java.lang.Object": {
        "capacity": 10000,
        "level": 107,
        "href": "http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/java.lang.Object"
}
}
```

The cache classes ALWAYS_STAY_IN_CACHE and DIGEST are predefined classes with unlimited capacity. Cache class com.coremedia.cap.heap is used for internal caching in the Unified API, with capacity and level being rough estimates of the required heap memory in byte. Other cache classes may use different units for capacity and level, and many simply count the number of cached values like the cache class java.lang.Object, which is configured to hold up to 10,000 objects in this example.

The "href" links in the JSON response can be used to get information about a single cache class. These links are only present if the actuator endpoint is invoked over HTTP. Like many other endpoints, the cache endpoint may also be exposed and invoked over JMX, in which case the response will not contain such links.

To retrieve the capacity and level of a single cache class, make a GET request to /actuator/cache/<cacheClass>, for example:

```
curl http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/com.coremedia.cap.heap
```

The response will look like

Response:

```
{
   "capacity": 104857600,
   "level": 88905639
}
```

If the specified cache class is neither configured nor used, then the request will be answered with HTTP status code 404 (Not Found).

4.10.3.2 Retrieving CacheKey Classes

For each cache class, different com.coremedia.cache.CacheKey classes may be used to evaluate and get cached values. You can use the keys query parameter to retrieve all used CacheKey classes for some cache class by making a GET request to /actuator/cache/<cacheClass>?keys=true as in the following example.

Note, that the endpoint implementation has to scan all cache entries to find the CacheKey classes. For large caches, this can be expensive, because the cache is temporarily locked against updates.

```
curl http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/com.coremedia.cap.heap?keys=true
```

The response lists used CacheKey classes with the number of cache entries and the level indicating how much space they occupy of the cache class capacity. For example, a response may start like this:

Response:

```
{
  "capacity": 104857600,
  "level": 88905639,
  "keys": {
    "com.coremedia.cap.undoc.multisite.impl.VariantsCacheKey": {
    "count": 6,
    "level": 6364,
    "href":
  "http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/com.coremedia.cap.heap/com.coremedia.cap.undoc.multisite.impl.VariantsCacheKey"
    },
    "com.coremedia.cotopaxi.content.ChildrenKey": {
        "count": 983,
        "level": 493484,
        "href":
    "http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/com.coremedia.cap.heap/com.coremedia.cotopaxi.content.ChildrenKey"
```

```
}
```

The "href" links in the JSON response can be used to get information about a single CacheKey class. These links are only present if the actuator endpoint is invoked over HTTP. Like many other endpoints, the cache endpoint may also be exposed and invoked over JMX, in which case the response will not contain such links.

To retrieve the count and level of a single CacheKey class in a cache class, make a GET request to /actuator/cache/<cacheClass>/<CacheKey>, for example:

The response will look like

Response:

```
{
  "count": 983,
  "level": 493484
}
```

4.10.3.3 Browsing Cache Entries

To view cache entries for a cache class or CacheKey, use the endpoint's entries query parameter by making a GET request to /actuat or/cache/<cacheClass>?entries=true or /actuat or/cache/<cacheClass>/<CacheKey>?entries=true.

Note, that the endpoint implementation has to scan all cache entries to find matching entries. For large caches, this can be expensive, because the cache is temporarily locked against updates.

The following example requests entries for content properties that are cached internally by the *Unified API*:

```
curl\\ http://localhost:8081/acuator/cache/con.coveredia.cap.heap/con.coveredia.catopaxi.content.Properties/ey/entries-true
```

The response body starts like this:

Response:

```
{
  "count": 3327,
  "level": 27444160,
  "entries": {
    "total": 3327,
}
```

```
"offset": 0,
"limit": 10,
"elements": [
    "keyClass": "com.coremedia.cotopaxi.content.PropertiesKey",
    "keyToString": "key.properties(448)",
    "weight": 432696,
    "dependencies": {
      "total": 1,
"offset": 0,
      "limit": 10,
      "elements": [
         "class": "com.coremedia.cotopaxi.content.PropertiesDependency",
         "toString": "dependency.properties(coremedia:///cap/content/448)"
      ]
    },
"dependents": {
      "total": 0,
"offset": 0,
"limit": 10,
"elements": []
    "keyClass": "com.coremedia.cotopaxi.content.PropertiesKey",
    "keyToString": "key.properties(202)",
    "weight": 80150,
```

The actual response is longer and shows the first 10 cache entries of 3327 in total, sorted by descending weight, so that the entry that occupies the most space in the cache comes first. Each entry is listed with the name of its CacheKey class (keyClass), the #toString representation of the CacheKey object (keyToString), the space it occupies in the cache (weight), its dependencies and dependents.

You can control the output with additional optional query parameters:

se	Set to true to include the class and toString representation of cached values in the response.
ght :	Sort criteria for returned entries. Possible values are weight, keyClass, keyToString, dependencies (number of) and dependents (number of). The sort direction can be specified by appending a space character followed by asc for ascending or desc for descending sort. The default sort direction is ascending.

Query Parameter	Default	Description
		Multi-level sorting can be specified by comma-separated values, for example url-encoded query parameter entriesSort=keyClass+asc, weight+desc would sort by ascending CacheKey class, while equal key classes would be sorted by descending weight.
entriesOffset	0	The number of cache entries to skip.
entriesLimit	10	The maximum number of cache entries to return.
dependenciesOffset	0	For each cache entry, the number of dependencies to skip.
dependenciesLimit	10	For each cache entry, the maximum number of dependencies to return.
dependentsOffset	0	For each cache entry, the number of dependents to skip.
dependentsLimit	10	For each cache entry, the maximum number of dependents to return.
stringLimit	200	For the string representation of keys, dependencies and values, the maximum length before strings get shortened in the response. Set to 0 to not return string representations.

Note, that the endpoint calls CacheKey#toString, the #toString method of dependency objects, and if values=true, the #toString method of cached values. Depending on the implementation of #toString methods, these can be expensive operations. You can avoid that #toString methods are called by setting query parameter stringLimit to 0 and not using the keyToString sort criteria.

4.10.3.4 Set Cache Capacity

To change the capacity for a certain cache class, make a POST request to /actuator/cache/<cacheClass> with a JSON body that specifies the capacity for the cache class, as shown in the following example:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"capacity": 20000}' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/java.lang.Object
```

The response includes a message about the performed change, and the new state of the cache class:

Response:

```
{
  "message": "Capacity changed for cache class 'java.lang.Object': 10000 ->
20000",
  "result": {
    "capacity": 20000,
    "level": 107
    }
}
```

Note, that setting a smaller capacity for a cache class does not necessarily lead to an immediate eviction of cached values. If you want to reduce the current cache level with a reduced capacity, you can either make a separate request to trigger an eviction as described in Section 4.10.3.6, "Trigger Cache Eviction" [67] or make a POST request with a JSON body to set both a new capacity and trigger an eviction:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
   -d '{"capacity": 100, "evict": true}' \
   http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/java.lang.Object
```

The response includes a message about the performed changes, and the new state of the cache class:

Response:

```
{
  "message": "Capacity changed for cache class 'java.lang.Object': 20000 ->
100; Cache eviction triggered for cache class: 'java.lang.Object'.",
  "result": {
      "capacity": 100,
      "level": 90
    }
}
```

4.10.3.5 Clear the Cache

To clear the cache and remove all cached entries, make a POST request to /actuator/cache with a JSON body as in the following example:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"clear": true)' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache
```

The response includes a message stating that the cache was cleared, and the state of the cache afterwards, as it would be returned by a GET request to the same URL. The following example just shows the start of the response body:

Response:

To clear the cache for a single cache class only, a similar POST request can be made to /actuator/cache/<cacheClass> as in the following example:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"clear": true}' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/java.lang.Object
```

Again, the response includes a message about the operation and the state of the cache class afterwards:

Response:

```
{
  "message": "Cache cleared for cache class 'java.lang.Object'.",
  "result": {
    "capacity": 10000,
    "level": 0
  }
}
```

4.10.3.6 Trigger Cache Eviction

To trigger a cache eviction, make a POST request to /actuator/cache with a JSON body as in the following example:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"evict": true}' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache
```

The response includes a message stating for which cache classes an eviction was triggered, and the state of the cache afterwards, as it would be returned by a GET request to the same URL. The following example just shows the start of the response body:

Response:

```
{
    "message": "Cache eviction triggered for cache classes:
    [com.coremedia.cap.disk, ...",
    "result": {
    ...
```

To trigger a cache eviction for a single cache class only, a similar POST request can be made to /actuator/cache/<cacheClass> as in the following example:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"evict": true}' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/cache/java.lang.Object
```

Again, the response includes a message about the operation and the state of the cache class afterwards:

Response:

```
{
  "message": "Cache eviction triggered for cache class: 'java.lang.Object'.",
  "result": {
    "capacity": 10000,
    "level": 107
  }
}
```

4.10.4 CapConnection Endpoint

The capconnection endpoint exposes information about the state of the cap connection in client applications.

Endpoint properties:

```
management.endpoint.capconnection.access=unrestricted
```

Endpoint URL:

```
http://localhost:8081/actuator/capconnection
```

When requested with a GET request, the endpoint responds with the state of the cap connection.

Response:

```
{
  "url": "http://localhost:8080/ior",
  "user": {
    "domain": "",
    "name": "webserver"
},
  "state": {
```

```
"disrupted": false,
  "numberOfSUSessions": 0,
  "open": true,
"stable": true
},
"content-repository": {
  "available": true,
"healthy": true,
"required": true
"workflow-repository": { ... },
"caplist-repository": { ... },
"events": {
   'timeSinceLastEventRetrievalMS": 54147,
  "latestReceivedContentEventSequenceNumber": 112678,
  "eventRetrievalDelayMS": 60000,
  "latestContentEventSequenceNumber": 112678,
  "eventChunkSize": 1000
},
"heap-cache": {
  "level": 2495694,
"faults": 134,
  "size": 104857600
"blob-cache": { ... }
```

With a POST request to the endpoint, you can change some of the properties.

Configure cap connection:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"blobStreamingThreads": 3, "eventChunkSize": 1000}' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/capconnection
```

The configurable properties are

- blobCacheSize
- · blobStreamingSizeThreshold
- · blobStreamingThreads
- · eventChunkSize
- heapCacheSize
- maxCachedBlobSize

For the meanings of the properties see the API documentation of com.coremedia.cap.common.CapConnectionManager.

4.10.5 Customizations Endpoint

The customizations endpoint exposes the CoreMedia spring bean customizations report as XML.

4.10.6 Metrics Endpoint

The metrics endpoint is a standard Spring Boot actuator endpoint that you can use to examine metrics collected by the application. In addition to standard Spring Boot metrics, some CoreMedia applications export additional metrics that are described in this chapter.

4.10.6.1 Cache Metrics

There are several metrics that collect information about application caches. Access to them is divided to

- · CoreMedia-based cache and
- · other caches.

CoreMedia Cache

The CoreMedia cache (based on com.coremedia.cache.Cache) provides more detail and uses a different set of meter names. Metrics are collected per cache class, which can be selected with the class tag.

For example, you can request the current cache level for cache class com.coremedia.cap.heap with

The response will then provide the value for the cache level:

```
{
  "name": "coremedia.cache.level",
  "description": "The total weight of all values which are currently held in
  the cache",
  "baseUnit": null,
  "measurements": [{
       "statistic": "VALUE",
       "value": 1327946.0
  }],
```

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```
"availableTags": []
}
```

The following table lists available metrics for the CoreMedia cache. Some metrics support additional tags to further drill down into measurements. The tag class is available for all metrics to set cache class.

Meter Name	Tags	Description
coremedia.cache.capa- city		The configured capacity.
coremedia.cache.level		The total weight of all values currently held in the cache.
coremedia.cache.size		The number of entries in this cache.
coremedia.cache.gets	result:hit	The number of cache hits, which are cache lookups that returned a cached value.
coremedia.cache.gets	result:miss	The number of cache misses, which are cache lookups that had to evaluate a value.
coremedia.cache.puts		The number of values inserted into the cache, after successful evaluation or injection.
coremedia.cache.evic- tions		The number of values evicted from the cache.
coremedia.cache.up- dates		The number of values updated after re-computation.
coremedia.cache.re- movals		The number of values removed from the cache after invalidation.
coremedia.cache.eval- uation.duration		The time the cache has spent evaluating values.
coremedia.cache.evic-		The time the cache has spent evicting values.
tion.duration		

Table 4.11. CoreMedia Cache Metrics

Other Caches

On some CoreMedia applications, other caches are employed in addition to the CoreMedia cache.

For example, you can request the current cache size for cache richtext on a Headless Server with

```
http://localhost:8081/actuator/metrics/cache.size?tag=name:richtext
```

The response will then provide the value for the cache size:

```
{
  "name": "cache.size",
  "description": "The number of entries in this cache. This may be an
approximation, depending on the type of cache.",
  "baseUnit": null,
  "measurements": [{
      "statistic": "VALUE",
      "value": 91.0
}],
  "availableTags": [
      "tag": "name",
      "values": [
      "richtext"
      ]
    },
  {
      "tag": "cacheManager",
      "values": [
      "cacheManager"]
    }
}
```

Depending on the application, different cache names are available. The list of all caches, if any are present, can be retrieved with a call to

```
http://localhost:8081/actuator/metrics/cache.size
```

If no other caches are present for the CoreMedia application, the request will return code 404.

The following table lists available metrics for other caches which are present on some CoreMedia applications. Some metrics support additional tags to further drill down into measurements.

Meter Name	Tags	Description
cache.size		The number of entries in this cache.
cache.gets	result:hit	The number of cache hits, which are cache lookups that returned a cached value.

Meter Name	Tags	Description
cache.gets	result:miss	The number of cache misses, which are cache lookups that had to evaluate a value.
cache.puts		The number of values inserted into the cache, after successful evaluation or injection.
cache.evictions		The number of values evicted from the cache.

Table 4.12. Other Cache Metrics

4.10.6.2 CapConnection Metrics

The client components provide the following metrics about their cap connections:

- · coremedia.connection.blobcachefaults
- · coremedia.connection.contentrepositoryavailable
- · coremedia.connection.disrupted
- coremedia.connection.eventretrievaldelay
- · coremedia.connection.heapcachefaults
- coremedia.connection.latestcontenteventsequencenumber
- coremedia.connection.latestreceivedcontenteventsequen cenumber
- coremedia.connection.numberofsusessions
- · coremedia.connection.open
- · coremedia.connection.stable
- coremedia.connection.timesincelasteventretrieval
- coremedia.connection.workflowrepositoryavailable

For the meanings of the properties see the API documentation of com.coremedia.cap.common.CapConnectionManager. Boolean values are represented by the numbers 0.0 and 1.0. For example, if you request the availability of the content repository with

you get a response like

4.10.6.3 Content Server Metrics

License Metrics

The content server provides the following metrics about its used license:

- coremedia.server.service.license.timestamp seconds
- coremedia.server.service.license.properties
- coremedia.server.service.license.users

The properties are exposed via key and value tags.

For example, you can request the valid to date of the license with

http://localhost:8081/actuator/metrics/coremedia.server.license.users?tag=service:editor&tag=type:concurrent active

you get a response like

4.10.6.4 Content Feeder Metrics

The Content Feeder provides further metrics that are described in section "Reference | Content Feeder Metrics" of the Search Manual.

4.10.6.5 Workflow Server Metrics

The Workflow Server provides the metric workflow.processes, which returns the number of open workflow processes, which are processes in state not started, running, or suspended. The tag definition can be used to filter by process definition name.

For example, you can request the number of StudioTwoStepPublication workflows with

The response:

4.10.6.6 Engagement Cloud Metrics

The Engagement Cloud integration that is used for Adaptive Personalization provides metrics for the single sign-on calls to Engagement Cloud UI and the proxy calls to the Engagement Cloud API in Studio.

Meter Name	Tags	Description
cmec.proxy.aborted	method	The number of times that a proxy request was aborted before reaching the server.
cmec.proxy.denied	method	The number of times that a proxy request was denied due to missing rights. A request is denied if no group mapping is available for any of the caller's groups.
cmec.proxy.duration	method	The total duration that proxy requests spent in the proxy controller. It includes the time to retrieve the session.
cmec.proxy.failed	method	The number of times that a proxy request was aborted before being forwarded to the backend, although the caller

Meter Name	Tags	Description
		would have been authorized to make a call in general. This typically indicates that the request was malformed.
cmec.proxy.request	method	The number of times that a proxy request was made.
cmec.proxy.response	method, re- sponse	The number of times that a proxy request was handled and a server response was forwarded to the caller.
cmec.session.get	webcareld, region	The number of times that a session token was requested from the session cache, either successfully or unsuccessfully.
cmec.session.get- Failed	webcareld, region	The number of times that a session token was requested from the session cache, but that the request was denied.
cmec.session.retrieve	webcareld, region	The number of times that a session token was requested from the server, either successfully or unsuccessfully.
cmec.session.retrieve- Failed	webcareld, region	The number of times that a session token was requested from the server, but that the request was denied.

Table 4.13. Engagement Cloud Metrics

Alerting

We suggest to raise alerts on increases of cmec.session.retrieveFailed and cmec.proxy.aborted. Also, 5xx responses for cmec.proxy.re sponse should be reported.

Monitoring

We suggest to monitor at least the number of requests by means of cmec.proxy.response, the average request duration according to cmec.proxy.duration, and the distribution of response codes according to cmec.proxy.response.

4.10.7 Content Server Runlevel Endpoint

The runlevel endpoint provides the possibility to switch the runlevel on a content server.

Endpoint properties:

management.endpoint.runlevel.access=unrestricted

Endpoint URL:

```
http://localhost:8081/actuator/runlevel
```

When requested using a GET HTTP request, the endpoint will respond which runlevel is currently active.

Response:

```
{
    "RUNLEVEL": "ONLINE"
}
```

To switch the runlevel, send a POST request to the endpoint with the desired runlevel and a grace period for the switch.

Switch runlevel:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"runlevel": "MAINTENANCE", "gracePeriod": 30}' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/runlevel
```

4.10.8 Content Server Blob Collector Endpoint

The blobcollector endpoint provides the possibility to suspend the deletion of unused blobs at runtime. This is a required step for the backup of custom blob stores, as described in the section "Backup Strategy" of the Content Server Manual. Alternatively, blob deletion can be suspended with configuration property sql.store.collector.suspend but that requires a restart of the Content Server.

Endpoint properties:

```
management.endpoint.blobcollector.access=unrestricted
```

Endpoint URL:

```
http://localhost:8081/actuator/blobcollector
```

When requested using a GET HTTP request, the endpoint will respond with the current state of the blob collector. It returns true for the key "suspend", if blob deletion is currently suspended or was requested to suspend.

Response:

```
{
    "suspend": false
}
```

To suspend blob deletion, send a POST request with "suspend": true to the endpoint:

Suspend blob deletion:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"suspend": true}' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/blobcollector
```

To resume blob deletion, send a POST request with "suspend": false to the endpoint:

Resume blob deletion:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
   -d '{"suspend": false}' \
   http://localhost:8081/actuator/blobcollector
```

4.10.9 Replicator Endpoint

The replicator endpoint can be used to enable or disable the replication process.

endpoint properties:

```
management.endpoint.replicator.access=unrestricted
```

Endpoint url:

```
http://localhost:8081/actuator/replicator
```

When requested using a GET HTTP request, the endpoint will respond with the state of the replicator.

Response:

```
{
  "serviceState": "Running"
}
```

Possible states are Running, Stopped, Failed, Disabled and Unknown.

To enable or disable the replicator, send a POST request.

Disable replicator:

```
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{"enable": "false"}' \
    http://localhost:8081/actuator/replicator
```

4.10.10 CAE Feeder Reindex Endpoint

The reindex endpoint on the CAE Feeder can be used to reindex documents for the CAE search.

CAUTION

Please be advised, that reindexing is a very computing intensive operation and should be used with care.

Endpoint properties:

management.endpoint.reindex.access=unrestricted

Endpoint URL:

```
http://localhost:8081/actuator/reindex
```

For a detailed description how to use this endpoint, see the section about partial reindexing in the search manual.

4.10.11 Content Feeder Reindex Endpoint

The reindex endpoint on the Content Feeder can be used to reindex documents for the Studio search

CAUTION

Please be advised, that reindexing is a very computing intensive operation and should be used with care.



Endpoint properties:

management.endpoint.reindex.access=unrestricted

Endpoint URL:

http://localhost:8081/actuator/reindex

For a detailed description how to use this endpoint, see the section about partial reindexing in the search manual.

4.10.12 CAE Link Handlers Endpoint

The linkhandlers endpoint on the CAE exposes information about beans annotated with com.coremedia.objectserver.web.links.Link or com.coremedia.objectserver.web.links.LinkPostProcessor. It complements the predefined spring boot mappings endpoint.

5. Monitoring

This chapter describes how to monitor CoreMedia CMS and apply health checks and alerts. This chapter will not describe details of any specific monitoring solution, but instead provides enough details, so that you can configure your monitoring tool accordingly to intervene or to raise an alarm if required.

Note, that this chapter is focused on *CoreMedia Content Cloud*. To monitor other external systems like databases, for instance, see the corresponding documentation provided by the manufacturer.

Structure

- Section 5.1, "General Concepts" [82]
- Section 5.2, "Monitoring Services" [84]
- Section 5.3, "JMX" [89]
- Section 5.4, "See Also" [96]

5.1 General Concepts

In this section you will get to know about general monitoring concepts of *Core-Media Content Cloud*.

5.1.1 Term Definitions

The following terms are used within this chapter:

Alert

Automated alerts draw human attention to a particular system if a problem has been identified which requires human interaction. Alerts are often reported via email or messaging systems.

Typical Alerts are configured based on states, thresholds or trends.

Ideally monitoring does not raise false positive alerts as important alerts may be overseen if the noise is too high. Because of this many alerts are configured with some grace period between the detection of a problem and triggering an alert.

Attribute

Typically, attributes either refer to configuration or to a service state. Examples for attributes are configured JDBC URLs, feature flags or the current runlevel of a server.

Alerts on configuration attributes typically signal a misconfiguration of the system. Alerts on state attributes are for example triggered, if a monitored service does not reach a desired state after start.

All Boolean values are attributes, as they either represent a configuration or a state.

Counter

A specific metric with a value which may increase over time. Examples for counters are an uptime in seconds or the number of received events.

Alerts on counters typically signal an imminent overflow and will typically not vanish without administrative intervention. Alerts are typically configured, so that they raise an alarm some time before the actual overflow happens.

Other possible alerts monitor a given time span and raise an alarm when either nothing happened for a long time or the counter suddenly increases drastically.

Gauge

A specific metric with a value which may go up and down over time. Examples for gauges are memory usage, number of pending events or current cache size.

Alerts on gauges typically signal an overload of the system or if expected load is missing. They may vanish without administrative intervention. Typical alerts on gauges add some grace period before an alarm is raised.

Metric

A metric is a measurable value which may change over time. It is either a counter which will increase over time or a gauge which may go up and down over time. Typical examples are event counters or resource consumption.

A metric typically is expressed in a given unit and a distance can be defined between two values.

Regarding Boolean values similar definitions apply. A system configuration is an attribute, while a Boolean value signaling some state which may change back and forth over time is a gauge.

5.1.2 Endpoints

Most CoreMedia systems provide Java Management Extensions (JMX) to monitor system states. Others may provide a REST API to query the state. The Spring Boot metrics actuator endpoint also exposes some metrics that can be used for monitoring, see Section 4.10.6, "Metrics Endpoint" [70].

In order to configure available managed beans (MBeans) for JMX, components need to register them via com.coremedia.jmx.MBeanRegistrator as described in ????.

Note, that the description of available MBeans in this chapter is based on the default *Blueprint* configuration and may vary in your deployment.

JMX Monitoring Recommendations

This manual groups monitoring on service/application level as well as by JMX MBeans. However, if your monitoring solution offers service discovery, it is recommended to use this feature rather than configuring monitoring for each service independently. So, for example instead of configuring monitoring for CoreMedia Studio and Content Application Engine for a healthy CapConnection you will rather search for services exposing the CapConnection MBean.

5.2 Monitoring Services

This section describes monitoring grouped by services of *CoreMedia Content Cloud*. For monitoring via service discovery you may instead read Section 5.3, "JMX" [89].

5.2.1 CAE Feeder

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of the CAE Feeder.

JMX MBeans

The MBeans available for CAE Feeder are described in Section 6.4, "CAE Feeder JMX Managed Beans" in Search Manual.

The MBeans for CAE Feeder are by default configured via the artifact com.coremedia.cms:caefeeder-base-component.Contained MBeans are:

- com.coremedia.cache.management.CacheManager
- com.coremedia.cap.common.CapConnectionManager
- com.coremedia.cap.persistentcache.dependencycache.PersistentDependencyCacheManagement
- com.coremedia.cap.persistentcache.proactive.HealthManager
- com.coremedia.cap.persistentcache.proactive.KeyManagerManagement
- com.coremedia.cap.persistentcache.proactive.ProactiveEngineManagement
- com.coremedia.cap.persistentcache.proactive.content.ContentTriggerManager

Recommended JMX Monitoring

• Section 5.3.1, "CapConnection" [89]

When monitoring by service, health checks for WorkflowRepository and CapListRepository are irrelevant.

- Section 5.3.5, "Proactive Engine Sub Component" [93]
- Section 5.3.4, "Health (Proactive Engine)" [93]

5.2.2 Content Application Engine

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of *Content Application Engine*.

JMX MBeans

The MBeans for Content Application Engine are by default configured via artifact com.coremedia.cms:cae-component.Contained MBeans are:

- com.coremedia.cache.management.CacheManager
- com.coremedia.cap.common.CapConnectionManager
- com.coremedia.objectserver.beans.ContentBeanFactory-Manager
- com.coremedia.objectserver.dataviews.AbstractDataView-FactoryManager
- com.coremedia.objectserver.view.resolver.TemplateViewRepositoryProviderManagement
- com.coremedia.objectserver.view.resolver.ViewResolver-Management
- com.coremedia.objectserver.web.links.LinkFormatterManager

For more details have a look at Section 5.7, "Managed Properties" in *Content Application Developer Manual*.

Recommended JMX Monitoring

• Section 5.3.1, "CapConnection" [89]

When monitoring by service, health checks for WorkflowRepository and CapListRepository are irrelevant, because neither WorkflowRepository nor CapListRepository are required and thus the corresponding health checks will always answer true.

5.2.3 Content Feeder

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of the Content Feeder.

JMX MBeans

The MBeans available for Content Feeder are described in Section 6.3, "Content Feeder JMX Managed Beans" in *Search Manual*.

Recommended JMX Monitoring

• Section 5.3.3, "Feeder" [92]

5.2.4 Content Management Server

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of the Content Management Server.

JMX MBeans

The MBeans available for Content Management Server are described in Section 5.2, "Managed Properties" in *Content Server Manual*.

Recommended JMX Monitoring

• Section 5.3.2, "ContentServer" [90]

5.2.5 Master Live Server

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of Master Live Server.

JMX MReans

The MBeans available for Master Live Server are described in Section 5.2, "Managed Properties" in *Content Server Manual*.

Recommended JMX Monitoring

• Section 5.3.2, "ContentServer" [90]

5.2.6 Replication Live Server

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of Replication Live Server

JMX MBeans

The MBeans available for Replication Live Server are described in Section 5.2, "Managed Properties" in *Content Server Manual*.

Recommended JMX Monitoring

- Section 5.3.2, "ContentServer" [90]
- Section 5.3.6, "Replicator" [94]

5.2.7 Studio

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of *CoreMedia Studio*, or more specifically its REST backend.

JMX MReans

The MBeans for CoreMedia Studio are by default configured via artifact com.coremedia.ui:editing-rest-component. Contained MBeans are:

- com.coremedia.cache.management.CacheManager
- com.coremedia.cap.common.CapConnectionManager

Recommended JMX Monitoring

Section 5.3.1, "CapConnection" [89]

Theme Importer Monitoring

The Theme Importer is either used explicitly via command line interface or implicitly through the Frontend Development Workflow. Its communication endpoint is deployed with *CoreMedia Studio*. The communication endpoint provides a simple health check with a response as JSON, to check if the endpoint is available

in general. Note, that the path below is a relative path to *CoreMedia Studio* and needs to be adjusted according to your deployment.

Find more details in Section 6.6.4, "Theme Importer" in Frontend Developer Manual

5.2.8 User Changes Application

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of the *User Changes Application*.

JMX MBeans

The User Changes Application contains the following MBeans by default:

- com.coremedia.cache.management.CacheManager
- com.coremedia.cap.common.CapConnectionManager

Recommended JMX Monitoring

• Section 5.3.1, "CapConnection" [89]

5.2.9 Workflow Server

In this section you will find information about monitoring the health of the Workflow Server

JMX MReans

The MBeans available for Workflow Server are described in Section 6.1.3, "Managed Properties" in *Workflow Manual*.

Recommended JMX Monitoring

Section 5.3.1, "CapConnection" [89]

When monitoring by service, health checks for WorkflowRepository are irrelevant, because there is no other WorkflowRepository required by this WorkflowRepository and thus the corresponding health checks will always answer true.

5.3 JMX

This section describes monitoring grouped by available Java Management Extensions (JMX) MBeans of *CoreMedia Content Cloud*. For all available MBeans and to get informed on relevant values for certain services, have a look at Section 5.2, "Monitoring Services" [84].

If supported by your monitoring solution, it is recommended to implement monitoring by service discovery. So, instead of monitoring a service explicitly, you will monitor for example all services exposing a CapConnection MBean instead

5.3.1 CapConnection

The attributes and metrics mentioned in Table 5.1, "CapConnection JMX Monitoring" [89] are suggested for monitoring.

For a complete overview of available attributes and metrics have a look at com.coremedia.cap.common.CapConnectionManager.

CapConnectio	n.CapListRepositoryHealthy
Туре	Attribute
Value Type	Boolean
Description	Signals if the caplist repository is healthy. This is a value derived from CapLis tRepositoryRequired and CapListRepositoryAvailable (see JavaDoc for details). A value of false signals, that the required repository is unavailable.
CapConnectio	n.ContentRepositoryHealthy
Туре	Attribute
Value Type	Boolean
Description	Signals if the content repository is healthy. This is a value derived from Content tRepositoryRequired and ContentRepositoryAvailable (see JavaDoc for details).
	A value of false signals, that the required repository is unavailable.

CapConnection.WorkflowF	RepositorvHealthv

Туре	Attribute
Value Type	Boolean
Description	Signals if the workflow repository is healthy. This is a value derived from Work flowRepositoryRequired and WorkflowRepositoryAvailable (see JavaDoc for details). A value of false signals, that the required repository is unavailable.

Table 5.1. CapConnection JMX Monitoring

5.3.2 ContentServer

The attributes and metrics mentioned in Table 5.2, "ContentServer JMX Monitoring" [90] are suggested for monitoring.

For a complete overview of available attributes and metrics have a look at Section 5.2, "Managed Properties" in *Content Server Manual*.

Server.LicenseValidUntilHard			
Туре	Gauge		
Value Type	long		
Unit	milliseconds		
Description	Time in epoch milliseconds when a license will expire and thus servers will fail to start. Note, that it is recommended to monitor <code>Server.LicenseValidUntilSoft</code> instead.		
Server.Licens	Server.LicenseValidUntilSoft		
Туре	Gauge		
Value Type	long		
Unit	milliseconds		

Description

Time in epoch milliseconds when a license warning will be filed to the logs. You should monitor this limit and raise and raise an alert if your license will expire soon.

Server.RepositorySequenceNumber

Туре	Counter
Value Type	long
Description	The sequence number of the latest successful repository transaction, useful for

Description

comparison between Master Live Server and Replication Live Server.

A typical health check monitors Server. Repository Sequence Number versus Replicator.LatestIncomingSequenceNumber, so that they do not diverge over a given threshold. A possible threshold could be the Server.RepositorySequenceNumber from some minutes ago, which should not be greater than Replicator.LatestIncomingSequenceNum ber. Please consult your monitoring solution if it is possible to express such condition.

Server.RunLevel

Туре	Attribute
Value Type	String
Description	The current run level of a server. For details on available run levels see Section 2.4, "Server Run Levels" in Content Server Manual. Possible values are: offline maintenance administration online
	A standard server should reach run level online after some given grace period.

Server.RunLevelNumeric

Туре	Attribute
Value Type	int

Description

The current run level of a server. For details on available run levels see Section 2.4, "Server Run Levels" in *Content Server Manual*. Possible values are:

- O = offline
- 1 = maintenance
- 2 = administration
- **3** = online

A standard server should reach run level online after some given grace period.

Table 5.2. ContentServer JMX Monitoring

5.3.3 Feeder

Foodor State

The attributes and metrics mentioned in Table 5.3, "Content Feeder JMX Monitoring" [92] are suggested for monitoring.

For a complete overview of available attributes and metrics have a look at Section 6.3, "Content Feeder JMX Managed Beans" in *Search Manual*.

reeder.State	
Туре	Attribute
Value Type	String
Description	The state of the Content Feeder which is one of the following: • stopped • starting • initializing • running • failed A typical health check monitors that the Content Feeder reaches state running after Content Feeder startup with a certain grace period.

Feeder.StateNumeric		
Туре	Attribute	
Value Type	int	
Description	The state of the Content Feeder as number which is one of the following:	

- 0 = stopped
- 1= starting
- 2 = initializing
- 3 = running
- 4 = failed

A typical health check monitors that the Content Feeder reaches state running after Content Feeder startup with a certain grace period.

Table 5.3. Content Feeder JMX Monitoring

Health, Healthy

5.3.4 Health (Proactive Engine)

The attributes and metrics mentioned in Table 5.4, "CAE Feeder/Proactive Engine JMX Monitoring" [93] are suggested for monitoring.

For a complete overview of available attributes and metrics have a look at com.coremedia.cap.persistentcache.proactive.HealthManager.

	•
Туре	Attribute
Value Type	Boolean
Description	Signals if the component is healthy in relation to the configuration. A typical health check monitors that the CAE Feeder reports that it is healthy after CAE Feeder startup with a certain grace period.

Table 5.4. CAE Feeder/Proactive Engine JMX Monitoring

5.3.5 Proactive Engine Sub Component

The Proactive Engine is a sub component of the CAE Feeder. The attributes and metrics mentioned in Table 5.5, "Proactive Engine JMX Monitoring" [94] are suggested for monitoring.

For a complete overview of available attributes and metrics have a look at Section 6.4, "CAE Feeder JMX Managed Beans" in *Search Manual* and com.core-

media.cap.persistentcache.proactive.ProactiveEngineManagement.

ProactiveEngine.KeysCount	
Туре	Gauge
Value Type	int
Description	The total number of "keys" that need to be kept up-to-date by the CAE Feeder.
	The value may go down when destroying content or moving content outside the path configured for feeding.
	Should be monitored together with ValuesCount. See description of ValuesCount for details.
ProactiveEng	ine.ValuesCount
Туре	Gauge
Type Value Type	int
Value Type	int The number of "keys" whose latest evaluation is still up-to-date. This is a subset of the total number of keys returned by attribute KeysCount and thus Val

Table 5.5. Proactive Engine JMX Monitoring

5.3.6 Replicator

The attributes and metrics mentioned in Table 5.6, "Replicator JMX Monitoring" [95] are suggested for monitoring.

Monitoring | Replicator

For a complete overview of available attributes and metrics have a look at Section 5.2, "Managed Properties" in *Content Server Manual*.

Replicator.LatestIncomingSequenceNumber		
Туре	Counter	
Value Type	long	
Description	The sequence number of the latest incoming event, useful for comparison between Master Live Server and Replication Live Server.	
	A typical health check monitors Server.RepositorySequenceNumber versus Replicator.LatestIncomingSequenceNumber, so that they do not diverge over a given threshold. A possible threshold could be the Server.RepositorySequenceNumber from some minutes ago, which should not be greater than Replicator.LatestIncomingSequenceNum ber.Please consult your monitoring solution if it is possible to express such condition.	

Table 5.6. Replicator JMX Monitoring

5.4 See Also

You will find additional documentation in the following sections:

- Section 4.9, "JMX Management" [56]
- 5555
- · Section 5.2, "Managed Properties" in Content Server Manual
- Section 5.7, "Managed Properties" in Content Application Developer Manual
- Section 6.1.3, "Managed Properties" in Workflow Manual
- Section 6.4, "CAE Feeder JMX Managed Beans" in Search Manual
- Section 6.3, "Content Feeder JMX Managed Beans" in Search Manual

Glossary

Blob Binary Large Object or short blob, a property type for binary objects, such as graphics.

Content as a Service or short caas, a synonym for the CoreMedia Headless Server.

Content applications often require search functionality not only for single content items but for content beans. The CAE Feeder makes content beans searchable by sending their data to the Search Engine, which adds it to the index

The Content Application Engine (CAE) is a framework for developing content applications with CoreMedia CMS.

While it focuses on web applications, the core frameworks remain usable in other environments such as standalone clients, portal containers or web service implementations.

The CAE uses the Spring Framework for application setup and web request processing.

A content bean defines a business oriented access layer to the content, that is managed in *CoreMedia CMS* and third-party systems. Technically, a content bean is a Java object that encapsulates access to any content, either to CoreMedia CMS content items or to any other kind of third-party systems. Various CoreMedia components like the CAE Feeder or the data view cache are built on this layer. For these components the content beans act as a facade that hides the underlying technology.

The Content Delivery Environment is the environment in which the content is delivered to the end-user.

It may contain any of the following modules:

- · CoreMedia Master Live Server
- CoreMedia Replication Live Server
- · CoreMedia Content Application Engine
- · CoreMedia Search Engine
- Flastic Social
- · CoreMedia Adaptive Personalization

CaaS

CAE Feeder

Content Application Engine (CAE)

Content Bean

Content Delivery Environment

Content Feeder

The Content Feeder is a separate web application that feeds content items of the CoreMedia repository into the CoreMedia Search Engine. Editors can use the Search Engine to make a full text search for these fed items.

Content item

In *CoreMedia CMS*, content is stored as self-defined content items. Content items are specified by their properties or fields. Typical content properties are, for example, title, author, image and text content.

Content Management Environment

The Content Management Environment is the environment for editors. The content is not visible to the end user. It may consist of the following modules:

- · CoreMedia Content Management Server
- CoreMedia Workflow Server
- CoreMedia Importer (Deprecated since CMCC v12.2506.0.0)
- · CoreMedia Studio
- CoreMedia Search Engine
- · CoreMedia Adaptive Personalization
- CoreMedia Preview CAE

Content Management Server

Server on which the content is edited. Edited content is published to the Master Live Server.

Content Repository

CoreMedia CMS manages content in the Content Repository. Using the Content Server or the UAPI you can access this content. Physically, the content is stored in a relational database.

Content Server

Content Server is the umbrella term for all servers that directly access the CoreMedia repository:

Content Servers are web applications running in a servlet container.

- · Content Management Server
- Master Live Server
- · Replication Live Server

Content type

A content type describes the properties of a certain type of content. Such properties are for example title, text content, author, ...

Contributions

Contributions are tools or extensions that can be used to improve the work with *CoreMedia CMS*. They are written by CoreMedia developers – be it clients, partners or CoreMedia employees. CoreMedia contributions are hosted on Github at https://github.com/coremedia-contributions.

Control Room

Control Room is a Studio plugin, which enables users to manage projects, work with workflows, and collaborate by sharing content with other Studio users.

CORBA (Common Object Request Broker Architecture)

The term CORBA refers to a language- and platform-independent distributed object standard which enables interoperation between heterogenous

applications over a network. It was created and is currently controlled by the Object Management Group (OMG), a standards consortium for distributed object-oriented systems.

CORBA programs communicate using the standard IIOP protocol.

CoreMedia Studio

CoreMedia Studio is the working environment for business specialists. Its functionality covers all the stages in a web-based editing process, from content creation and management to preview, test and publication.

As a modern web application, *CoreMedia Studio* is based on the latest standards like Ajax and is therefore as easy to use as a normal desktop application.

Dead Link

A link, whose target does not exist.

Derived Site

A derived site is a site, which receives localizations from its master site. A derived site might itself take the role of a master site for other derived sites.

DTD

A Document Type Definition is a formal context-free grammar for describing the structure of XML entities.

The particular DTD of a given Entity can be deduced by looking at the document prolog:

<!DOCTYPE coremedia SYSTEM "http://www.core
media.com/dtd/coremedia.dtd"</pre>

There're two ways to indicate the DTD: Either by Public or by System Identifier. The System Identifier is just that: a URL to the DTD. The Public Identifier is an SGML Legacy Concept.

Elastic Social

CoreMedia Elastic Social is a component of CoreMedia CMS that lets users engage with your website. It supports features like comments, rating, likings on your website. Elastic Social is integrated into CoreMedia Studio so editors can moderate user generated content from their common workplace. Elastic Social bases on NoSQL technology and offers nearly unlimited scalability.

EXML

EXML is an XML dialect used in former CoreMedia Studio version for the declarative development of complex Ext JS components. EXML is Jangaroo 2's equivalent to Apache Flex (formerly Adobe Flex) MXML and compiles down to ActionScript. Starting with release 1701 / Jangaroo 4, standard MXML syntax is used instead of EXML.

Folder

A folder is a resource in the CoreMedia system which can contain other resources. Conceptually, a folder corresponds to a directory in a file system.

FTL

FTL (FreeMarker Template Language) is a Java-based template technology for generating dynamic HTML pages.

Headless Server

CoreMedia Headless Server is a CoreMedia component introduced with CoreMedia Content Cloud which allows access to CoreMedia content as JSON through a GraphQL endpoint.

The generic API allows customers to use CoreMedia CMS for headless use cases, for example delivery of pure content to Native Mobile Applications, Smartwatches/Wearable Devices, Out-of-Home or In-Store Displays or Internet-of-Things use cases.

Home Page

The main entry point for all visitors of a site. Technically it is often referred to as root document and also serves as provider of the default layout for all subpages.

IFTF BCP 47

Document series of *Best current practice* (BCP) defined by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF). It includes the definition of IETF language tags, which are an abbreviated language code such as en for English, pt-BR for Brazilian Portuguese, or nan-Hant-TW for Min Nan Chinese as spoken in Taiwan using traditional Han characters.

Importer (Deprecated since CMCC v12.2506.0.0)

Component of the CoreMedia system for importing external content of varying format.

IOR (Interoperable Object Reference)

A CORBA term, Interoperable Object Reference refers to the name with which a CORBA object can be referenced.

Jangaroo

Jangaroo is a JavaScript framework developed by CoreMedia that supports TypeScript (formerly MXML/ActionScript) as an input language which is compiled down to JavaScript compatible with Ext JS. You will find detailed descriptions on the Jangaroo webpage http://www.jangaroo.net. Jangaroo 4 is the ActionScript/MXML/Maven based version for CMCC 10. Since CMCC 11 (2110), Jangaroo uses TypeScript and is implemented as a *Node.js* and *npm* based set of tools.

Java Management Extensions (JMX)

The Java Management Extensions is an API for managing and monitoring applications and services in a Java environment. It is a standard, developed through the Java Community Process as JSR-3. Parts of the specification are already integrated with Java 5. JMX provides a tiered architecture with the instrumentation level, the agent level and the manager level. On the instrumentation level, MBeans are used as managed resources.

Locale

Locale is a combination of country and language. Thus, it refers to translation as well as to localization. Locales used in translation processes are typically represented as IETF BCP 47 language tags.

Master Live Server

The Master Live Server is the heart of the Content Delivery Environment. It receives the published content from the Content Management Server and makes it available to the CAE. If you are using the CoreMedia Multi-Master Management Extension you may use multiple Master Live Server in a CoreMedia system.

Master Site

A master site is a site other localized sites are derived from. A localized site might itself take the role of a master site for other derived sites.

MIME

With Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (MIME), the format of multipart, multimedia emails and of web documents is standardised.

MXMI

MXML is an XML dialect used by Apache Flex (formerly Adobe Flex) for the declarative specification of UI components and other objects. Up to CMCC 10 (2107), CoreMedia Studio used the Open Source compiler Jangaroo 4 to translate MXML and ActionScript sources to JavaScript that is compatible with Ext JS 7. Starting with CMCC 11 (2110), a new, Node.js and npm based version of Jangaroo is used that supports standard TypeScript syntax instead of MXML/ActionScript, still compiling to Ext JS 7 JavaScript.

Personalisation

On personalised websites, individual users have the possibility of making settings and adjustments which are saved for later visits.

Projects

With projects you can group content and manage and edit it collaboratively, setting due dates and defining to-dos. Projects are created in the Control Room and managed in project tabs.

Property

In relation to CoreMedia, properties have two different meanings:

In CoreMedia, content items are described with properties (content fields). There are various types of properties, e.g. strings (such as for the author), Blobs (e.g. for images) and XML for the textual content. Which properties exist for a content item depends on the content type.

In connection with the configuration of CoreMedia components, the system behavior of a component is determined by properties.

Replication Live Server

The aim of the Replication Live Server is to distribute load on different servers and to improve the robustness of the Content Delivery Environment. The Replication Live Server is a complete Content Server installation. Its content is an replicated image of the content of a Master Live Server. The Replication Live Server updates its database due to change events from the Master Live Server. You can connect an arbitrary number of Replication Live Servers to the Master Live Server.

Resource

A folder or a content item in the CoreMedia system.

ResourceURI

A ResourceUri uniquely identifies a page which has been or will be created by the *Active Delivery Server*. The ResourceUri consists of five components: Resource ID, Template ID, Version number, Property names and a number of key/value pairs as additional parameters.

Responsive Design

Responsive design is an approach to design a website that provides an optimal viewing experience on different devices, such as PC, tablet, mobile phone.

Site

A site is a cohesive collection of web pages in a single locale, sometimes referred to as localized site. In *CoreMedia CMS* a site especially consists of a site folder, a site indicator and a home page for a site.

A typical site also has a master site it is derived from.

Site Folder

All contents of a site are bundled in one dedicated folder. The most prominent document in a site folder is the site indicator, which describes details of a site.

Site Indicator

A site indicator is the central configuration object for a site. It is an instance of a special content type, most likely CMSite.

Site Manager Group

Members of a site manager group are typically responsible for one localized site. Responsible means that they take care of the contents of that site and that they accept translation tasks for that site.

Template

In CoreMedia, FreeMarker templates used for displaying content are known as Templates.

OR

In *Blueprint* a template is a predeveloped content structure for pages. Defined by typically an administrative user a content editor can use this template to quickly create a complete new page including, for example, navigation, predefined layout and even predefined content.

Translation Manager Role

Editors in the translation manager role are in charge of triggering translation workflows for sites.

User Changes Application

The *User Changes Application* is a *Content Repository* listener, which collects all content, modified by *Studio* users. This content can then be managed in the *Control Room*, as a part of projects and workflows.

Variants

The set of all content items in a multi-site hierarchy related to each other via master references. This includes the top-level master content items themselves.

Version history

A newly created content item receives the version number 1. New versions are created when the content item is checked in; these are numbered in chronological order.

Weak Links

In general *CoreMedia CMS* always guarantees link consistency. But links can be declared with the *weak* attribute, so that they are not checked during publication or withdrawal.

Caution! Weak links may cause dead links in the live environment.

Workflow

A workflow is the defined series of tasks within an organization to produce a final outcome. Sophisticated applications allow you to define different workflows for different types of jobs. So, for example, in a publishing setting, a document might be automatically routed from writer to editor to

proofreader to production. At each stage in the workflow, one individual or group is responsible for a specific task. Once the task is complete, the workflow software ensures that the individuals responsible for the next task are notified and receive the data they need to execute their stage of the process.

Workflow Server

The CoreMedia Workflow Server is part of the Content Management Environment. It comes with predefined workflows for publication and global-search-and-replace but also executes freely definable workflows.

XLIFF

XLIFF is an XML-based format, standardized by OASIS for the exchange of localizable data. An XLIFF file contains not only the text to be translated but also metadata about the text. For example, the source and target language. *CoreMedia Studio* allows you to export content items in the XLIFF format and to import the files again after translation.

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