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Chapter 1. Archive (Tar) Adapter

This documentation introduces the Archive (Tar) adapter. You can use the adapter with a Command Server, Launcher, Software Development Kit, or map in a map rule.

Overview

Use the Archive (Tar) adapter to create, delete, update, add to, or extract from UNIX tape archive files. The Archive (Tar) adapter supports standard UNIX permissions, user ID attributes, and group ID attributes. This adapter is only for UNIX platforms and z/OS UNIX Systems Services (USS). To archive files on Windows platforms, use the Archive (Zip) adapter.

Converting data to ASCII on z/OS

The Tar adapter cannot be used to convert your data to ASCII format when you are running your maps on a z/OS operating system on an IBM z/Architecture platform. To convert your data to ASCII format, you must use your map, along with the appropriate rules, to perform the conversion.

System requirements

The minimum system requirements and operating system requirements for the Archive (Tar) adapter are detailed in the release notes. It is assumed that a Command Server has already been installed on the computer where the adapter is to be installed for run-time purposes.

Chapter 2. Command alias

Adapter commands can be specified by using a command string on the command line or by creating a command file that contains adapter commands. The execution command syntax is:

-IA[alias] card_num -OA[alias] card_num

where -IA is the Input Source Override execution command and -OA is the Output Target Override execution command, *alias* is the adapter alias, and *card_num* is the number of the input or output card. The following table shows the adapter alias and its execution command.

Adapter	Alias	As Input	As Output				
Archive (Tar)	TAR	-IATARcard_num	-OATARcard_num				

Chapter 3. Archive (Tar) commands

This is a description of the functions and use of the Archive (Tar) adapter commands and their options.

List of commands

The following table lists valid commands for the Archive (Tar) adapter, the command syntax, and whether the command is supported (\checkmark) for use with data sources, targets, or both.

Command	Syntax	Source	Target
Tar File Archive (-ARCHIVE)	-ARCHIVE tarfile	100	~
Archive File (-FILE)	-FILE filename [-UNIQUE]	100	· ·
Group ID (-GID)	-GID gid_num	1	1
Tar File Member (-MEMBER)	-MEMBER filename [-D -X -A -C - D -U]		~
File Permissions (-PERM)	-PERM perm_num	~	~
Trace (-T)	-T[E][+][full_path]	1	1
User ID (-UID) -UID uid_num			

You can append trace information to the existing trace file by using either the A or + option.

Tar File Archive (-ARCHIVE)

Use the Tar File Archive adapter command (-ARCHIVE) to specify which tar file will be accessed.

-ARCHIVE tarfile

Option Description

tarfile Required value. Specify the name of the tar file being used.

For example, to specify the edi_in.tar file to be accessed:
-ARCHIVE /vault/backup/edi_in.tar

Archive File (-FILE)

Use the Archive File adapter command (-FILE) to extract a member to a file or instruct the adapter to add the contents of a file on disk to the specified archive in the map directory. Data passed from the output card is ignored. -FILE *filename* [-UNIQUE]

Option Description

filename

Required value. Specify the name of the resulting archive file.

-UNIQUE

When extracting a member from the archive, this creates a file with a unique name to hold the data from the member.

When the Archive File adapter command (-FILE) is not specified, data passed to and from the adapter is through memory. For example, when extracting a member from an archive, the data is read into memory and then returned to the map. Similarly, when adding a member, the data is normally passed to the adapter in memory.

For example, to specify the edi_08011999.dat file as the resulting archive file: -FILE edi 08011999.dat -UNIQUE

Group ID (-GID)

Use the Group ID adapter command (-GID) to set the group ID of the member to be archived or extracted.

-GID gid_num

Option Description

gid_num

Specify a group ID to be archived or extracted.

When adding a member and -GID is not specified, the group ID is set to 0, the root, unless -FILE is specified, in which case the member inherits the GID of the file.

When extracting a member and -GID is not specified, but -FILE is specified, the group ID of the file to which the member is extracted is set to the same GID as the extracted member.

The Group ID adapter command (-GID) is only supported in environments that support group IDs.

Tar File Member (-MEMBER)

Use the Tar File Member adapter command (-MEMBER) to specify which tar file member is to be modified.

-MEMBER filename [-A|-C|-D|-X|-U]

Option Description

filename

Required value. Specify the name of the member file.

- -A Add the member file specified by *filename* to the archive. This option is only valid for data targets.
- -C Create the new member file specified by *filename*. This option is only valid for data targets.
- -D Delete the member file specified by *filename* from the archive. This option is valid for either data sources or data targets.

- -X Extract the member file specified by *filename* from the archive. This option is only valid for data sources.
- -U Update the member file specified by *filename* in the archive. This option is only valid for data targets.

The Tar File Member adapter command (-MEMBER) also requires the use of the Tar File Archive adapter command (-ARCHIVE).

File Permissions (-PERM)

Use the File Permissions adapter command (-FILE) to set UNIX permissions on the file to be extracted or archived.

-PERM perm_num

Option Description

perm_num

Specify the permission number. Standard UNIX octal codes are supported.

For example, to specify the UNIX permission number of **0777** on the file to be extracted or archived:

-PERM 0777

When adding a member through memory the default permissions of 0777 are used. When adding a member using the Archive File adapter command (-FILE), the permissions on the file are used.

When doing an extract, specify the -PERM command to set the permissions for the extracted file if the -FILE adapter command was used. If the -FILE adapter command is not specified, the -PERM command is ignored.

The File Permissions adapter command (-PERM) is only supported in environments that support permissions.

Trace (-T)

Use the Trace adapter command (-T) to produce a diagnostics file that contains detailed information about Archive (Tar) adapter activity.

The default filename is **m4tar.mtr** or *map_name.***mtr**, depending on the options you select, and the file is created in the map directory unless otherwise specified.

-T[E][+] [full_path]

Option Description

- E Produce a trace file containing only the adapter errors that occurred during map execution. The adapter trace file is produced by default in the map directory, using the full name of the map file with an .mtr filename extension (*map_name.*mtr).
- + Append trace information to the existing trace file by using either the A or + option.

full_path

Creates a trace file with the specified name in the specified directory.

You can override the adapter command line trace options dynamically using the Management Console. Refer to "Dynamic Adapter Tracing" in the *IBM WebSphere Transformation Extender Launcher* documentation for detailed information.

User ID (-UID)

Use the User ID adapter command (-UID) to set the user ID of the member to be archived or extracted.

-UID uid_num

Option Description

uid_num

Specify a user ID to be archived or extracted.

When adding a member and -UID is not specified, the user ID is set to 0, the root, unless -FILE is specified, in which case the member inherits the UID of the file.

When extracting a member and -UID is not specified, but -FILE is specified, the user ID of the file to which the member is extracted is set to the same UID as the extracted member.

The User ID adapter command (-UID) is only supported in environments that support IDs.

Chapter 4. Syntax summary

This documentation discusses the Archive (Tar) syntax summary and how it is used.

Data sources

The following is the command syntax of the Archive (Tar) adapter commands used for data sources:

```
-ARCHIVE tarfile -MEMBER filename [-D|-X]
[-FILE filename [-UNIQUE]]
[-PERM perm_num]
[-GID gid_num]
[-UID uid_num]
[-T[E][+][full_path]]
```

Data targets

The following is the command syntax of the Archive (Tar) adapter commands used for data targets:

```
-ARCHIVE tarfile -MEMBER filename [-A|-C|-D|-U]
[-FILE filename [-UNIQUE]]
[-PERM perm_num]
[-GID gid_num]
[-UID uid_num]
[-T[E][+][full_path]]
```

Examples

For the **GET** → **Source** setting in an input card, select **Archive** (**Tar**). In the **GET** → **Source** → **Command** field, enter:

-ARCHIVE in.tar -MEMBER data.txt -X -TA

This command extracts a member file named **data.txt** from a tar file named **in.tar** and appends the trace file.

To override output map card 1 using the Archive (Tar) adapter, add a file named **new.txt** to the **in.tar** tar file with permissions of 0777, enter:

-OATAR1 -ARCHIVE in.tar -MEMBER new.txt -A -PERM 0777

Chapter 5. Troubleshooting

For information about error codes and messages returned by the adapters, see Return codes and messages.

Adapter trace file

The adapter trace file contains detailed information provided by the adapter, including recorded information about the actions that are taking place such as connections established and statements executed. The trace file is produced during the adapter execution and can be used as a debugging aid.

For information about -T, see "Archive (Tar) Commands".

If adapter tracing is enabled, but the trace file is not created, any of the following could be indicated:

- The path to the Archive (Tar) adapter is incorrect
- The adapter is not located on your path
- The Trace adapter command name is misspelled
- The case for the Trace adapter command is incorrect

If the trace file is created, the shared object has been found and is being loaded. If this is true, there might be an invalid adapter command line or a problem with the tar file.

Sample adapter trace file

=== M4TAR Adapter Log ===
Performing initialization for M4TAR_PutArchive
Command line in <-C -MEMBER output1 -ARCHIVE tarout.tar -T>
2 arguments detected
Archiving <output1>
Opened archive 'tarout.tar' successfully
blocksize = 32
a rwxrwxrwx 0/0 119 output1
a output1 1 blocks
PutArchive succeeded

=== End run. Elapsed time: 00:00:00 ===

Chapter 6. Return codes and error messages

Return codes and error messages are returned when the particular activity completes. Return codes and error messages might also be recorded as specified in the audit logs, trace files and execution summary files.

Messages

This list contains all the codes and error messages that can be returned as a result of using Archive (Tar) adapter for sources or targets.

Adapter return codes with positive numbers are warning codes that indicate a successful operation. Adapter return codes with negative numbers are error codes that indicate a failed operation.

Return Code

Message

- **0** GetArchive succeeded
- 0 PutArchive succeeded
- -1 Can't open the file %s
- -1 Unable to allocate %d bytes
- -1 `%s' does not exist
- -1 `%s' name too long
- -1 `%s' not a file
- -1 `%s' not found
- -1 `%s' seek error
- -1 `%s' unknown file type `%c'
- -1 Data not available
- -1 Failed to open archive (%s)
- -1 Insufficient memory: allocation of %d bytes failed
- -1 Insufficient memory: allocation of %d bytes failed
- -1 Invalid command line missing data file name
- -1 Invalid command line missing entry name
- -1 Invalid option (-a, -c, or -u) request for M4TAR_GetArchive
- -1 Member `%s not found in archive
- -1 Out of memory
- -1 Unable to allocate memory (%Id bytes)
- -1 Unable to create directory %s
- -1 Unable to read archive
- -1 Archive read error
- -1 Bad directory structure

- -1 Can't create `%s'
- -1 Can't delete `%s'
- -1 Can't delete scratch file
- -1 Can't link `%s' data stay in `%s'
- -1 Can't open directory `%s'
- -1 Can't append `%s'
- -1 Delete option (-d) is for file archives only
- -1 Directory checksum error
- -1 Error extracting `%s'
- -1 Error reading `%s'
- -1 Tape blocksize error
- -1 Tape close error
- -1 Tape read error
- -1 Tape read failed
- -1 Tape seek failed
- -1 Tape write error

The following is a listing of all the codes and messages that can be returned as a result of using the Archive (Tar) adapter on RS/6000 AIX only:

Return Code

Message

-2 Invalid Entry Point. Must specify M4TAR_GetArchive or M4TAR_PutArchive.

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