

# Accessing Adapter-Specific Attributes through User Defined Function

## Summary

This article features the procedure of accessing adapter specific attributes provided by some adapters (precisely filename in a file adapter). Presented here is a simple scenario that helps in understanding the basic concept.

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## Adapter Specific Message Attributes

In a business scenario a need could arise to access some adapter specific parameters at runtime. There value is either not known until runtime or simply needs to be changed/accessed at runtime. This can be done by mapping runtime constants by using them to get access to the java classes for adapter specific parameters.

In the header of the XI message, there are adapter-specific parameters. These can be used by the sender adapter to assign a value to them. The process is very simple. One needs to get access to the parameters during mapping and assign them the desired values that are available at runtime. The whole code can be just written in a user defined function that is called during the execution of message mapping.

Let's get into a little depth...

In order to get access to an adapter-specific parameter, one needs to know:

- The namespace of the adapter
- The name of the attribute.

The namespace for the adapter is nothing but the namespace in Integration Repository where the adapter metadata is saved followed by the name of the adapter. File adapter, for example, has the following namespace: `http://sap.com/xi/XI/System/File`.

The package which contains the classes for accessing adapter-specific attributes is `com.sap.aii.mapping.api`

One requires the following classes:

`com.sap.aii.mapping.api.DynamicConfigurationKey` (to create a key having adapter namespace and parameter name, which is used in getting/setting the value of the parameter)

`com.sap.aii.mapping.api.DynamicConfiguration` (contains key-values pairs for the attributes, is used to modify the value of a parameter).

The attributes to be accessed need to be explicitly set during the configuration of the adapter. That is if the sender adapter needs to add some attributes to message header, these must be indicated in sender adapter configuration. Likewise, if receiver adapter needs to read the attributes, these must be set in receiver adapter configuration.

## Getting access to FileName in file adapter

There are various adapter specific attributes available for file adapter. For sender adapter: filename, directory, file type, source file size, source file timestamp. For receiver: Filename, directory, file type.

The steps for accessing the parameter “FileName” of file adapter are given here. We give the name of the file while configuring the sender file adapter. If the parameter “FileName”, under adapter specific message attributes, is checked in the communication channel, the source file name will be present in the header of the XI message. This name can then be accessed by a code written in a function and the value can be used according to the requirement.

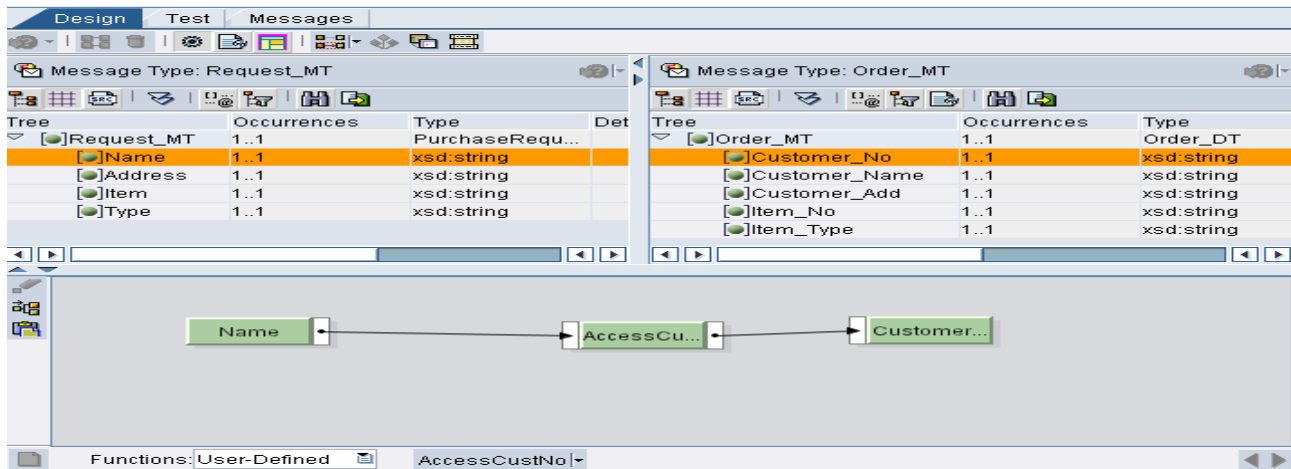
[We can see this parameter in header of the message (Message Content in message Monitoring)]

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Let’s have a look at a very simple example where an order request is mapped to the order data type. Suppose the order file from the customers has a number as its name and the customer number in database is the combination of customer name and this number. Hence, the name of the input file is to be extracted during the execution of the mapping program.

Create the source and target data types, message types and the message interfaces.

Create the message mapping as shown:



AccessCustNo is the user defined function which extracts the file name at runtime. The code is given in section Sample Code.

Customer\_No in target message is Name + FileName (refer to the code)

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Configure the sender and receiver file adapter as shown below:

Sender configuration: transport protocol can be either NFS or FTP depending on whether the file is posted on integration server or on some other location.

Parameters	Identifiers	Module
Adapter Type *	File	http://sap.com/xi/XI/System SAP BASIS 7.00
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Sender	<input type="radio"/> Receiver	
Transport Protocol *	File System (NFS)	
Message Protocol *	File	
Adapter Engine *	Integration Server	
<b>File Access Parameters</b>		
Source Directory *	\10.112.132.210\ORACLE Client\input	
File Name *	*.xml	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Advanced Selection for Source File	
<b>Processing Parameters</b>		
Quality of Service *	Exactly Once	
Poll Interval (secs) *	30	
Poll Interval (msecs)		
Retry Interval (secs)		
Processing Mode *	Delete	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Process Read-Only Files	
Processing Sequence	By Name	
File Type *	Binary	

Set the adapter specific parameters

Adapter-Specific Message Attributes
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Set Adapter-Specific Message Attributes
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> File Name
<input type="checkbox"/> Directory
<input type="checkbox"/> File Type
<input type="checkbox"/> Source File Size
<input type="checkbox"/> Source File Timestamp

Configuration of the receiver

Transport Protocol *	File System (NFS)
Message Protocol *	File
Adapter Engine *	Integration Server

**File Access Parameters**

Target Directory *	\\10.112.132.210\ORACLE Client
File Name Scheme *	order.xml

**Processing Parameters**

File Construction Mode *	Add Time Stamp
Write Mode	Directly
File Type *	Binary

**Variable Substitution (Target Directory/File Name Scheme)**

Enable

**Adapter-Specific Message Attributes**

Set adapter specific parameters

**Adapter-Specific Message Attributes**

Use Adapter-Specific Message Attributes

Fail If Adapter-Specific Message Attributes Missing

File Name

Directory

File Type

This makes the filename (modified) available in the message header which will be the name of the output file.

Create the Receiver Determination, Interface Determination, Sender agreement, Receiver agreement.

### Testing the Scenario

Place the input file in source directory: the name of the file in this case is 100126 (the customer's number)

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
- <ns0:Request_MT xmlns:ns0="urn:legacy:filetofile">
  <Name>MAX</Name>
  <Address>Dell City</Address>
  <Item>Printer</Item>
  <Type>DD</Type>
</ns0:Request_MT>
```

The file should be deleted after processing as the processing mode in sender adapter is Delete.

The output file created will be:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>  
- <ns0:Order_MT xmlns:ns0="urn:legacy:filetofile">  
  <Customer_No>MAX100126</Customer_No>  
  <Customer_Name>MAX</Customer_Name>  
  <Customer_Add>Dell City</Customer_Add>  
  <Item_No>Printer</Item_No>  
  <Item_Type>DD</Item_Type>  
</ns0:Order_MT>
```

Note that the Customer\_No is Name + Input file name

## Sample Code

Imports: com.sap.aii.mapping.api.DynamicConfigurationKey;com.sap.aii.mapping.api.DynamicConfiguration;

```
public void AccessCustNo(String[] Name,ResultList result,Container container){  
    //write your code here  
    String CustName = Name[0];  
    DynamicConfiguration attrib =  
    (DynamicConfiguration)container.getTransformationParameters().get(StreamTransformationConstants.DYNAMIC_CONFIGURATION);  
    // to create a key  
    DynamicConfigurationKey fileKey = DynamicConfigurationKey.create("http://sap.com/xi/XI/System/File","FileName");  
  
    String CustNo = attrib.get(fileKey);  
    if (CustNo != null) {  
        String Cust= CustName +CustNo;  
        Cust = Cust.substring(0,Cust.indexOf('.'));  
  
        attrib.put(fileKey, Cust);  
        result.addValue(Cust);  
    }  
}
```



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