



Developer Tutorial: Introducing the Cloud Data Management Interface – CDMI 1.1

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 - ◆ Extensions: http://www.snia.org/tech_activities/publicreview/cdmi
 - ◆ <https://github.com/osaddon/cdmi>

A Quick Review of CDMI

History of the standard

➤ Technical Working Group founded in 2009

- ◆ Published TWG Charter and Use Cases

➤ CDMI Timeline:

- ◆ 2010 - CDMI 1.0 Technical Architecture
- ◆ 2011 - CDMI 1.0.1 Errata
- ◆ 2012 - CDMI 1.0.2 Errata
- ◆ 2013 - Adopted as ISO/IEC 17826
- ◆ 2014 - CDMI 1.1.0 Technical Architecture

A Quick Review of CDMI

What is CDMI

- CDMI standardizes the following:
 - ◆ How is data stored in the cloud
 - Data objects, queues, metadata
 - ◆ How is data stored in the cloud organized
 - Containers, object IDs, query, snapshots
 - ◆ How is data stored in the cloud transferred
 - Client to cloud, cloud-to-cloud, exports, serialization, notifications
 - ◆ How is data stored in the cloud secured

A Quick Review of CDMI

What is CDMI

- CDMI works with existing protocols:
 - ◆ File: NFS, CIFS, LTFS, etc.
 - ◆ Block: iSCSI, VMDKs, etc.
 - ◆ Object: S3, Swift, etc.
- CDMI fills many gaps in the above protocols
 - ◆ Unified storage management
 - ◆ Global and hierarchical namespaces
 - ◆ Query, notification and workflow

A Quick Review of CDMI

CDMI Adoption

- 22 publically announced CDMI servers
 - ◆ Major vendors (NetApp, DDN, etc)
 - ◆ Startup companies
 - ◆ Open source projects
- Widespread adoption in government
 - ◆ USA DoD, UK, Italy, etc.
- Supported in OpenStack Swift

CDMI 1.1 Changes

Document Organization

➤ To improve readability, the CDMI specification has been split into five parts:

♦ Preamble	pp 1 – 25	25
♦ Basic Cloud Storage	pp 27 – 41	15
♦ CDMI Core	pp 42 – 108	67
♦ CDMI Advanced	pp 109 – 235	127
♦ CDMI Annexes	pp 235 – 256	22

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Document Organization

➤ Section 1 - Preamble

- ◆ References and Terms
- ◆ Provides an overview of cloud storage
- ◆ Provides an overview of the CDMI standard
- ◆ Defines the CDMI model for cloud storage and metadata
- ◆ Introduces general CDMI concepts:
 - Object Types, Object IDs, Time, use of HTTP, Security, Backwards Compatibility

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➤ Section 2 – Basic Cloud Storage

- ◆ Formerly “Non-CDMI” operations
- ◆ Defines basic RESTful operations for data objects and containers
- ◆ Compatible subset of CDMI, S3, Swift, etc.
 - › Provides guidance for multi-protocol support
 - › Also see the Header-based Metadata Extension
- ◆ Minimal baseline for cloud storage

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➤ Section 3 – CDMI Core

- ◆ Defines operations for CDMI Data Objects
- ◆ Defines operations for CDMI Containers
- ◆ Minimal baseline for CDMI-based systems
 - › Containers optional
 - › By ID only objects optional
 - › Etc.

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➤ Section 4 – CDMI Advanced

- ◆ Defines operations for CDMI Domain Objects
- ◆ Defines operations for CDMI Queue Objects
- ◆ Defines operations for CDMI Capabilities
- ◆ Advanced Features of CDMI
 - Exports, Snapshots, Serialization, Metadata, Retention and Hold, Logging, Notifications, Query

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➤ Section 5 – CDMI Annexes

- ◆ Extensions to the CDMI standard implemented by at least one vendor
- ◆ Includes:
 - › Summary Metadata for Bandwidth
 - › Expiring ACLs
 - › Group Storage System Metadata
 - › Versioning

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Co-existence

Clarification- #904, #907, #918, #919, #931



➤ Clause 6 and 7 reworked

- ◆ Clarifies that Non-CDMI operations represent basic RESTful HTTP operations that are consistent with most object storage protocols

➤ `cdmi_authentication_methods`

- ◆ Text added explaining how S3, Keystone, etc work with CDMI

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Copy/Move

Clarification - #440, #504, #815, #847

➤ Copy and Move

- ◆ Copying data to an existing or new object has been clarified.
 - Behaviours are documented when fields in the source URI are omitted or specified
- ◆ Copying between and from queues have been clarified
 - Added `cdmi_copy_dataobject_from_queue`
- ◆ Domain move capability missing

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Container Fields Clarification - #476

- childrenrange/children now optional on a container create
 - ◆ Eliminates an edge case where copying or deserializing a container could result in a large listing of children being returned
- Servers: No change required
- Clients: No longer depend on these fields being returned

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Container Fields Clarification - #651

- Clarified contents of parentURI and parentID for root containers
 - ◆ Multiple vendors had chosen different approaches
 - ◆ Selected approach was “best compromise”
- Servers: Changes may be required
- Clients: Changes if depend on these fields

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Metadata Clarification - #517, #566, #833

- Metadata updates, additions and deletions have been clarified in a new section: 16.6
 - ◆ Examples are already present in 1.0.2
 - ◆ Additional examples added
- Mutability of storage and data system metadata
- Default values of storage system metadata

CDMI 1.1 Changes – HTTP Headers Clarification - #536

➤ The Location header must be an absolute URI

- ◆ A close reading of RFC 2616 should have already confirmed this for implementers.

CDMI 1.1 Changes – ACLs

Clarification - #812, #817, #890

- Clarified field results when ACL deny access to specific parts of objects
 - ◆ CDMI 1.0.2 approach was viewed as standard and intuitive, but needed to be specified normatively.
- Now indicates which status code to return
- Clarified that hex and string forms are allowed
- Servers: Changes may be required
- Clients: Changes if depend on these fields

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Retention and Hold Clarification - #894



➤ Additional examples added

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Scopes

New Functionality - #483, #508, #902

- CDMI Scopes have been enhanced to handle JSON arrays.
 - ◆ Required for querying against ACLs
- AND statements now use JSON arrays to avoid the use of duplicate keys
- Numeric query broken out
- Servers: Add new functionality if supported
- Clients: Changes required for numeric matching

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Queues

New Functionality - #515

- CDMI Queues now allow deletion by range
 - ◆ Allows idempotent deletes
- Servers: Add new functionality if supported
- Clients: No changes required

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Data Object Updates

New Functionality - #881

- Update range spec was unnecessarily restrictive
 - ◆ Now allows appends and sparse updates
- Servers: Add new functionality if supported
- Clients: No changes required

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Extensions

Multi-part MIME

- Allows the data object value to be sent as a separate MIME part, without requiring encoding
 - ◆ Improves efficiency of binary transfers

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Extensions

Domain Authentication Methods

- Allows a client to discover which authentication methods a server supports
- Allows an administrator to restrict which authentication methods are supported for a given domain

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Extensions Group Storage System Metadata

- Allows objects to have a specified “owner” that ACLs can refer to
- Allows broader compatibility with NFS and CIFS ACLs

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Extensions

Domain Summary Metadata

- Allows domain summaries to include information about bandwidth consumed
 - ◆ Network bytes
 - ◆ Reads & Writes
 - ◆ Public and Private (Internal) I/O

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Extensions

Expiring ACEs

- Allows ACEs to have an expiration time, when the ACE will no longer be evaluated as part of the ACL
 - ◆ Allows time-limited access
 - ◆ Allows content to become public after a period of time

CDMI 1.1 Changes – Extensions


Versioning

- Allows data objects to retain historical versions as changes are made
 - ◆ Historical versions are accessed by ID
 - ◆ Historical versions are enumerated as a tree
 - ◆ Enables multi-writer conflict resolution
 - ◆ Simplifies federation, distributed storage and disconnected operation

Guidance for CDMI 1.1 Adoption

- Review the CDMI 1.1 spec and errata, which is posted on the SNIA public review site
 - ◆ http://www.snia.org/tech_activities/publicreview
- Most vendors will be able to support 1.0.2 and 1.1 clients without changes.
 - ◆ Review error handling, data object update and container field behaviours
 - ◆ Consider adding support for Multi-part MIME

Guidance for CDMI 1.1 Adoption

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- Come visit us at the Cloud Plugfests
 - Two closely coupled events are planned in December 2014:
 - ◆ Virtual Cloud Plugfest Dec. 8-12, 2014
 - ◆ Cloud Interoperability Demo Days Dec. 11-12, 2014 in London
 - For more details, see <http://www.cloudplugfest.org/>
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- A full Q&A from this webcast, including answers to questions we couldn't get to today, will be posted to the SNIA-CSI blog
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Conclusion

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