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Chapter 1

Getting started

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Overview

The *Nortel Networks Symposium Call Center Server Scripting Guide for DMS/MSL-100* provides an overview of the functions of call center scripts, and explains the scripting process. The guide describes how to

- plan the scripts used in your call center
- create, modify, and delete script variables
- create, validate, activate, and delete call center scripts
- view applications, and change application thresholds
- use sample scripts for your call center

Throughout this guide, the term DMS switch applies to the following switch types:

- DMS Switch
- MLS-100
- Succession 2000
- CS 2100

Skills you need

Introduction

This guide is intended for individuals responsible for designing, writing, and maintaining the scripts used in Symposium Call Center Server.

This section describes the skills and knowledge you need to use this guide effectively.

Nortel Networks product knowledge

Knowledge of, or experience with, the following Nortel Networks products can be of assistance when creating scripts for Symposium Call Center Server:

- Symposium Call Center Server
- the DMS-100 family of switches or the MSL-100 switch

PC experience or knowledge

Knowledge of, or experience with, the following PC products can be of assistance when administering Symposium Call Center Server:

- Windows 2000 Professional and Windows XP

Other experience or knowledge

Other types of experience or knowledge that can be of use include

- programming
- flowcharting
- analytical skills
- knowledge of call center operations and call routing requirements

What's new in Release 5.0

Introduction

This section gives a brief description of the new features in Release 5.0 of the *Scripting Guide for DMS/MSL-100*.

Symposium Call Center Server can connect to the following switch types:

- Succession 1000
- Meridian 1 Internet Enabled
- Option 11C Mini
- Symposium Voice Services on CallPilot Collect Digits

The script editor now allows script sizes of up to 50K.

New variable types

HDX commands now support Agent ID and Skillset variable types.

Wild variables

You can convert call variables of integer type to wild variables using the READVAR and SAVEVAR scripting commands. This feature allows you to save the current value from a call variable into the wild variables table. You can access the saved value by using a call variable with the READVAR/SAVEVAR script block.

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Understanding and planning your scripts

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Overview

A script is an application containing instructions that determine the sequence of steps that a call follows once it arrives at Symposium Call Center Server. These steps include call treatments (such as music or ringback), or call routing (such as skill-based routing).

Scripts perform two major functions: they define the path a call follows, and they provide treatments to a call as it moves through Symposium Call Center Server. Scripts also enable the server in Symposium Call Center Server to track and record information about each step in a call's progress. You can use this information to analyze how your call center is functioning and make decisions on how best to improve service.

Using scripts in your call center

Introduction

To use scripts effectively, you must fully understand the objectives of the call center. Generally, a call center has three major objectives:

- Maximize call center efficiency.
- Maximize caller satisfaction.
- Analyze your call center performance, and make decisions on how best to improve service.

Maximize call center efficiency

To maximize the efficiency of your call center, you must accomplish the following goals:

- Increase productivity.
- Improve service.
- Decrease costs.
- Handle unusual situations.

In an efficient call center, agents process calls that they are qualified to handle. You must design a script so that incoming calls are presented to the agents best prepared to deal with the requirements of the call. This is the basis for skill-based routing: determine a caller's requirements and route the call to an agent who has the knowledge to deal with it effectively.

Callers should wait for as short a time as possible before speaking with an agent. This accomplishes two things: the caller is less likely to hang up while waiting in queue, and agents spend as little time as possible waiting to answer calls. When both of these conditions are met, costs decrease and profits increase.

Occasionally, an incoming call does not follow the path specified in the script; for example, the call is returned to the queue or is disconnected. Design scripts to prevent such situations or to deal with them in the event they do occur. The script designer must consider unexpected conditions and use scripting tools to resolve them.

Maximize caller satisfaction

Callers should speak to a qualified agent immediately. However, due to large call volumes and a limited number of agents, this is not always possible. You can, however, try to reduce the amount of time each caller waits in queue.

Caller satisfaction is extremely important. Callers waiting in queue do not want to hear silence until their call is answered. They want to know what is happening to their call. If callers begin to doubt that their call is being handled properly, they may hang up.

There are several ways to ensure maximum caller satisfaction. You can

- prioritize calls based on caller importance
- give callers options while waiting in queue
- inform callers how long they can expect to wait in queue
- inform callers of their position in queue
- let callers speak with an agent of their choice
- let callers speak with an agent in the language of their choice

Well-designed scripts enable you to accomplish these tasks.

Track and report on call information

Scripts allow you to track call-related information and store it in a database for later analysis. If scripts are well-designed, tracking call data uses minimal system resources. Take time to plan and design your scripts to track the information you need. You can use this information later in reports that enable you to analyze how your call center is functioning, and make decisions on how best to improve service. For example, you may want to know the average amount of time agents spend answering calls or the number of abandoned calls.

How call routing and call treatment work

Introduction

Specific scripts are executed when certain types of calls enter Symposium Call Center Server. These scripts should deal with specific call requirements and route the calls to an agent prepared to deal effectively with these requirements.

As a script designer, you must write scripts to ensure that calls are routed to the qualified agents as quickly as possible. A call is not always answered immediately by an agent. You can, however, provide treatments to the calls while they wait in queue. These treatments can include informing callers of the estimated amount of time before their call is answered, or you can choose to have callers hear music while they wait in queue.

Call routing and call treatment methods

You can route calls by queuing them to

- specific or multiple skillsets
- specific agents
- other call center destinations

Examples of call treatment provided to callers include

- music
- ringback tones
- silence
- recorded announcements
- expected wait time in the queue

The process of call routing and providing call treatment

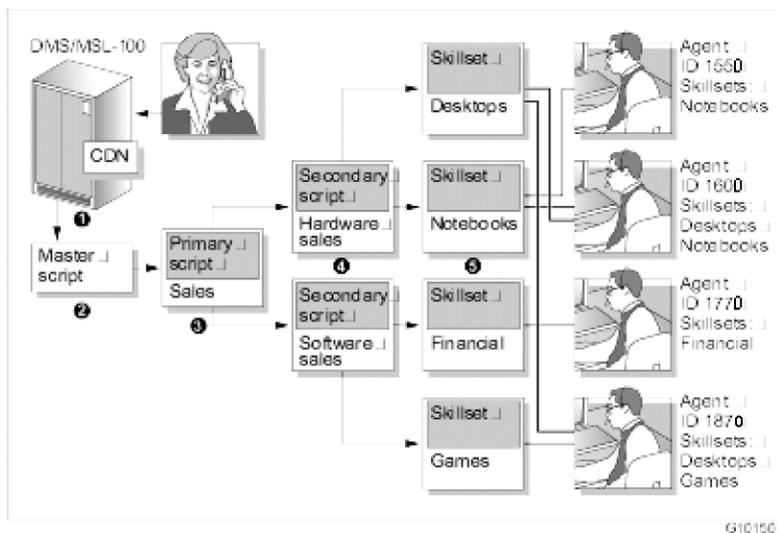
When a call enters Symposium Call Center Server, the call starts the execution of the Master script. Typically, the Master script routes calls and provides treatments based on information such as Dialed Number Identification Service (DNIS), Calling Line Identification (CLID), or the trunk route information.

Then the Master script directs the call to primary scripts based on this information. For example, if a CLID number is determined to be on the list of VIP callers, the call can be queued to an agent or skillset reserved for callers requiring preferential treatment.

Additionally, such items as time of day, day of week, day of year, or call center activity can determine how the call is handled.

Example of a typical call routing situation

The following illustration shows how a typical call is handled when it enters a call center. The text following the illustration provides an explanation of what happens at each step in the call flow process:



1. The incoming call arrives at the switch, where it is directed to a CDN. The switch then notifies Symposium Call Center Server of the call.
2. Symposium Call Center Server takes control of the call. The call begins to follow the path specified in the Master script. The Master script determines the call type based on DNIS, CLID, and other information, and directs the call to a primary script.

In this example, the Master script determines that this is a sales call. The call is directed to the primary script, “Sales.”

3. The primary script can now provide treatments to the call, the call can be queued to a skillset, or the call can be directed to a secondary script.

In this example, the primary script performs a test that determines the caller is interested in hardware sales. The primary script directs the call to the secondary script, “Hardware Sales.”

4. The secondary script can provide additional treatments to the call, the call can be queued to the appropriate skillset or, if necessary, it can be directed to another secondary script.

In this example, the secondary script performs a test that determines the caller is interested in purchasing a notebook computer. The primary script queues the call to the skillset, “Notebooks.”

5. When an agent in the skillset “Notebooks” becomes available, the call is presented to the agent.

In this example, the call is presented to either Agent 1550 or Agent 1600, both of whom have the “Notebooks” skillsets. The call is presented to the first agent available to handle the call.

What happens if a call is not queued?

You can take steps to ensure that calls are successfully queued to the appropriate skillset. If a call is not queued to a skillset or a specific agent when it reaches the end of the script, you can ensure that the call is queued to a default skillset. If the default skillset is out of service, you can inform the caller of this through a recorded announcement (default RAN). After the announcement, the call is queued to the default ACD-DN of the CDN.

For more information about queuing calls to a default skillset or configuring default RANs, refer to the *Administrator’s Guide*.

Types of scripts

Introduction

All Symposium Call Center Server scripts belong to one of the three basic types:

- system-defined
 - Master
- user-defined
 - primary
 - secondary
- sample

Master script

The Master script (Master_Script) is the central point of entry for every call that enters Symposium Call Center Server. The Master script is system-defined—that is, it comes with the Symposium Call Center Server, and it cannot be deactivated, renamed, or deleted. However, you can change its contents to suit your call center's needs, and activate the new version. The Master script performs the following functions:

- It directs incoming calls to primary scripts based on conditions such as the Dialed Number Identification Service (DNIS), Calling Line ID (CLID), time of day, or any other criteria that you choose.
- It acts as the scheduler for scripts. It invokes primary scripts according to real-time call center conditions.

User-defined scripts

Primary and secondary scripts are user-defined. This means that they do not come with Symposium Call Center Server. You create these scripts on the system. Only a Symposium Call Center Server desktop user with the appropriate privileges can change these scripts.

Primary and secondary scripts

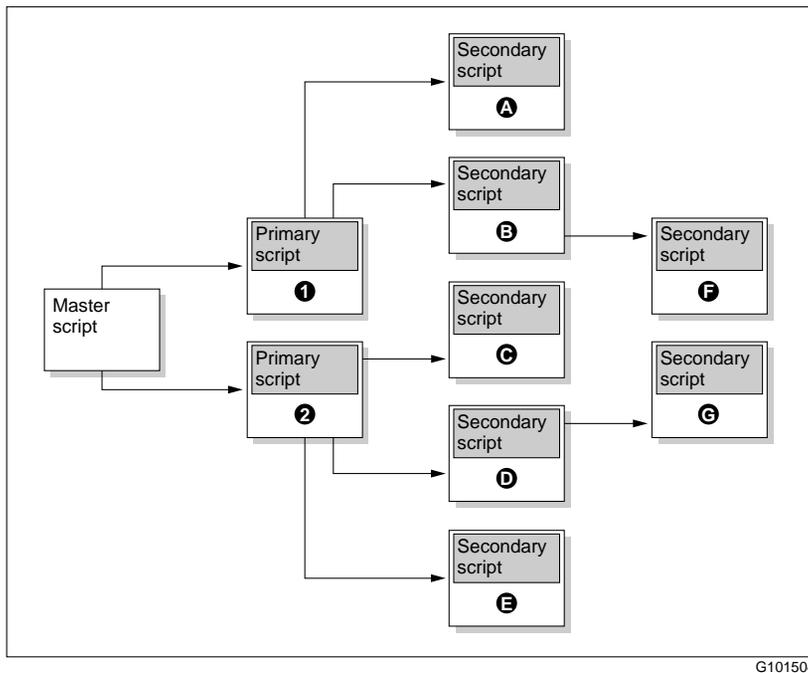
A primary script is executed or referenced in the Master script to perform a specific function. Primary scripts contain sets of instructions that relate to a particular type of call (sales), caller (nuisance), or set of conditions (time of day or day of week). A primary script can route calls to appropriately skilled agents, or it can send the control of routing to a secondary script.

A secondary script is any script that is referenced from a primary script or any other secondary script. For example, consider the following situation.

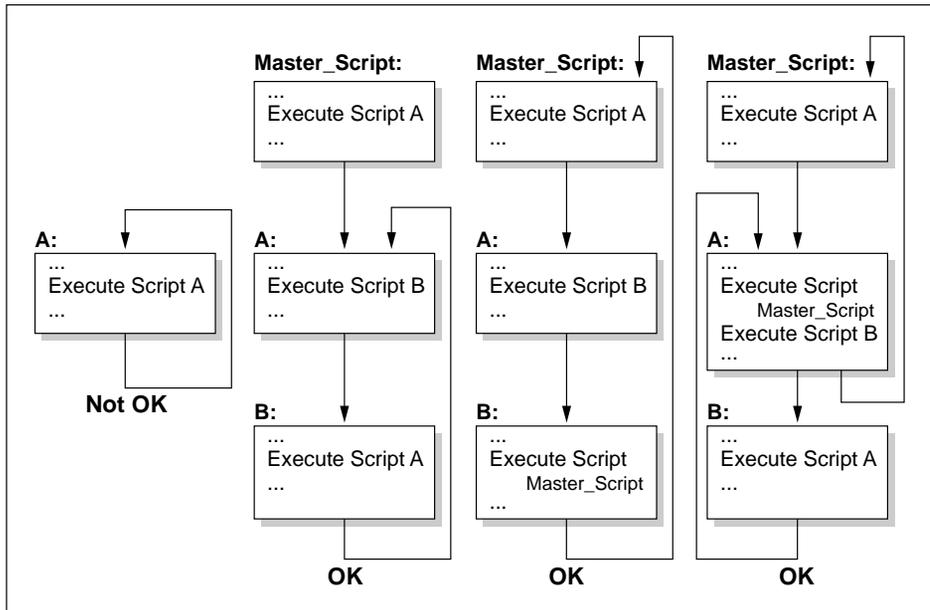
Example of referenced scripts

In this example, a caller is interested in purchasing a notebook computer from a computer retailer. You place commands in the Master script that direct the call to a primary “Sales” script. You use conditional tests written into the “Sales” script to determine if the caller’s intention is to purchase a notebook. The “Sales” script then directs the call to a secondary script, “Notebook Sales.” If conditional tests written into the “Notebook Sales” script determine that the caller intended to purchase a notebook from a specific vendor, then the call is directed to another secondary script (for example, “Vendor_Name_Sales”). This script then presents the call to an agent qualified to deal with the specific vendor’s notebook products.

For more information about how scripts reference each other, see the following illustrations. The referencing of scripts (also known as branching), shown in the first illustration, is often referred to as a tree:



A script can be referenced from many scripts—that is, there can be several scripts that branch to the same script (for example, the referenced script performs a function required by many other scripts). When this happens, the more complicated structure is called a web, as shown in the next illustration.



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Sample scripts

Sample scripts come with the Symposium Call Center Server client as text files. They are designed to help you create scripts for typical call center situations. You can import or copy the contents of these scripts to help you create your own scripts. You can find the sample script files in the following directories on the client computer:

- C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\client\en\script\samples, where C: is the drive on which the client is installed. The “samples” directory contains two subdirectories. For information about the sample scripts contained in these directories, see Chapter 12, “Using sample scripts.”

Building blocks of scripts

Introduction

Scripts contain the instructions that tell Symposium Call Center Server how to process incoming calls. These instructions consist of commands, scripting keywords and parameters (some of which are optional), and expressions.

Commands

Commands perform distinct functions, such as routing a call to a specific destination, playing music or recorded announcements to a caller, or disconnecting a caller. Commands are made up of combinations of intrinsics, constants, variables, and expressions.

Expressions

Expressions enable Symposium Call Center Server to create and compare data. To create customized calculations for comparing known facts with conditional situations, you can use mathematical expressions such as addition (+), subtraction (-), division (/), and multiplication (*); logical conjunctions such as AND, OR, and NOT; and comparisons such as less than (<), greater than (>), less than or equal (<=), greater than or equal (>=), and not equal (<>).

Example

In the following section of a script, the total number of calls waiting for the sales skillset is compared to the number of agents logged on to that skillset. In this case, if the total number of calls waiting for the sales skillset is three times the total number of agents logged on to that skillset, then the caller should be given an announcement stating that heavy call volumes can delay servicing of the call.

```
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT sales_sk) > (3* LOGGED AGENT COUNT
sales_sk) THEN
    GIVE RAN long_delay_ran_gv
END IF
```

Intrinsics

Intrinsics are words or phrases that you use in scripts to represent a value or a set of values about the Symposium Call Center Server system. They contain system-wide information about skillsets, agents, time, and call traffic. Use intrinsics in a script to access system information, which is then used in formulas and decision-making statements.

Example

In the following section of a script, the intrinsic Average Speed Answer checks whether calls are being answered more quickly, on average, by the support skillset than by the service skillset. If they are, then incoming calls are queued to the support skillset.

```
IF (AVERAGE SPEED ANSWER support_sk < AVERAGE
SPEED ANSWER service_sk) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET support_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF
```

Variables

Script variables are user-defined words that you can insert in a script in place of a value or a set of values. There are three types of variables:

- Global variables are script variables that you can use in any script on the system.

Example

Create a variable named “business_hours_gv,” and assign the values “8:00 .. 17:00” to that variable. You can then use this variable in several scripts, updating them all at once (for example, if you change to summer hours) by updating the variable.

- Call variables are script variables with a value that can change for each call. These variables follow the call through the system and are passed from one script to another with the call.

Example

Create a loop counter where you give a RAN to a caller every fourth time around the loop. When the call variable assumes the value “4”, the loop executes the RAN.

- Wild variables are call variables of integer type that encounter a READVAR/SAVEVAR command. The saved value of the wild variable can then be accessed by other calls.

Example

Write a script that uses a call variable to modify the value of a wild variable. You can use another call with the READVAR to check the value of the wild variable, and then perform an action (for example, disconnect call if the wild variable is of a certain value).

Tip: To help you identify types of variables when you are writing and editing your scripts, include information about the variable type in its name. For example, you can name a global variable for a greeting RAN “greeting_ran_gv,” or name a call variable for caller-entered data “caller_data_cv,” and you can precede wild variables with “wv_”.

For more information about variables, see Chapter 4, “Working with script variables.”

Skillset

A skillset is an area of expertise possessed by an agent or a group of agents that corresponds to a specific call type. Skillsets match callers’ specific requirements with agents best prepared to meet their needs. For example, if you expect your call center to receive calls requesting information about servicing notebook computers, create a skillset (such as skillset “notebook_service_sk”), and assign agents to this skillset who are knowledgeable about servicing notebook computers.

Planning your scripts

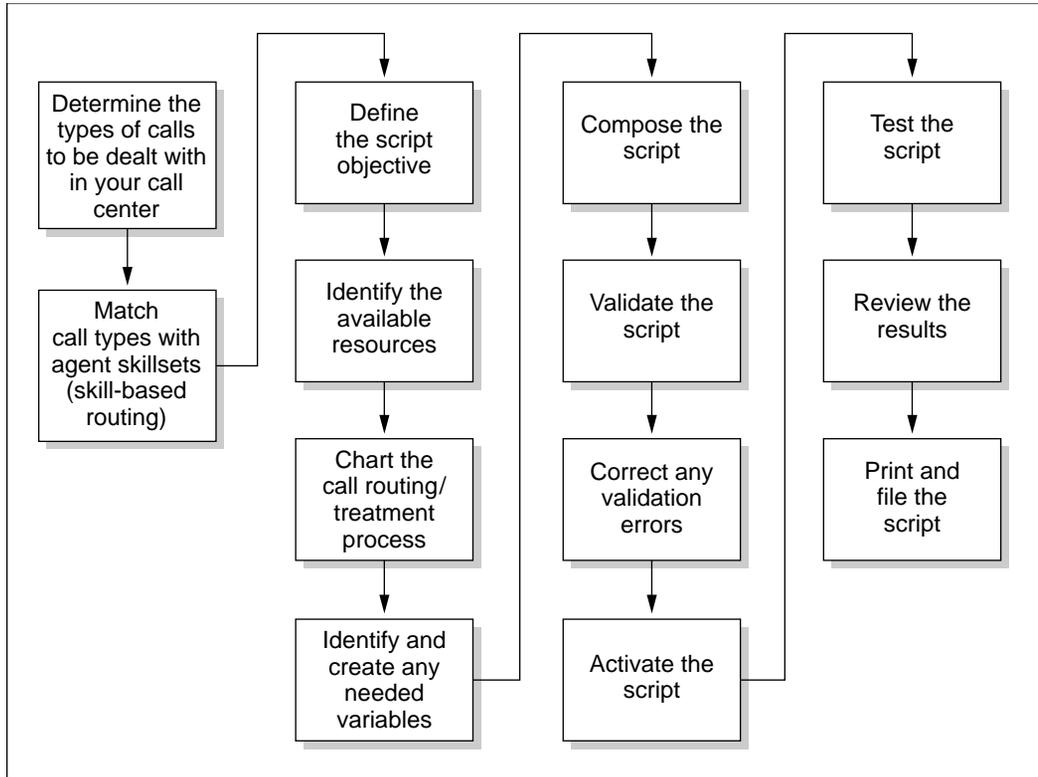
Introduction

An efficient call center is one in which you have successfully matched callers and their specific requirements with agents qualified to handle their calls. If you are aware of the types of callers who place calls to your call center, and the specific information or services they require, then you can begin to write effective scripts.

Efficient servicing of your callers ensures an efficient call center. You can accomplish this with well-written scripts. If you understand these objectives, you can begin to draft the process of how to treat the different types of calls entering your call center.

Scriptwriting process

The following flowchart shows an overview of the scriptwriting process:



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Determine the types of calls entering your call center

Once you have determined the types of calls entering your call center, you can create skillsets that correspond to these call types, and assign agents to the skillsets.

Understand skill-based routing

The concept of matching qualified agents with related call types is the basis for skill-based routing. You must be able to match callers requirements with an agent prepared to answer their questions. At the same time, you must be aware of when to provide treatments to calls and how call information is tracked. When you understand these issues, you can write efficient scripts.

Define the script's objective

Each script should meet an objective of your call center. You may require the script to perform one or more functions. Determine what purpose the script must accomplish (for example, routing a specific caller to a specific agent). Keep in mind that each script can be referenced by or may need to reference other scripts. Consider the following questions:

- What kinds of scripts do you need for your system?
- How many scripts do you need to meet these requirements?
- How do the scripts interact with one another?

To help plan your scripts, you can create a flowchart or an illustration to outline the intended logic of the script (for example, a script tree or web). A flowchart helps you to visualize the sequence of steps that a call follows once it enters Symposium Call Center Server. A flowchart also allows you to determine when you give treatments to the call and when you can collect data for reporting purposes.

Identify the available resources

Symposium Call Center Server includes many resources that you can use in your scripts to control what happens to a call once it enters the call center. Knowledge of these resources and how they work together helps you to design a logical path that calls follow. Before you write scripts, you must be familiar with the following resources:

- CDNs
- RAN routes
- music routes
- skillsets
- number of agents in each skillset
- call center working hours and holidays
- call treatments
- CLIDs and DNISs
- whether your call center uses an optional third-party IVR system or screen-pop application

You can get this information from your call center administrator or, for more information about setting up these resources, refer to the following guides:

- *Setup Guide*
- *Symposium and DMS/MSL-100 Switch Guide*

Chart the call routing process

Create a flowchart

You can create a flowchart that illustrates the call routing and call treatment process. The flowchart on the following page shows an example of call routing and call treatment. The text below explains the call flow process.

A call arrives at the switch and has been forwarded to Symposium Call Center Server. The call has gone through the Master script and has arrived at either the primary or a secondary script (depending on how the Master script has been written).

The script first checks to see if agents are available in the requested skillset to answer the call. If not, the call is disconnected.

The script then checks to see if the caller is on the list of VIP callers. If so, the caller is given preferential treatment. If not, a test is performed to determine if there are more than twice as many calls currently queued as there are agents logged on to the preferred skillset, “skillset A.” If so, the caller receives a busy tone. If there are less than twice as many calls currently queued as there are agents logged on to “skillset A,” the call is queued to “skillset A.”

Once the call is queued to “skillset A,” the script then performs a number of conditional tests and treatments to the call until it is answered.

To see the sample script that this flowchart represents and a more detailed explanation of the call routing process, see page 77.

Describe in writing

If you have graphically planned the logic of a script and you are satisfied with its intended function, you can choose to write the script on paper before creating it in the Scripts Editor (for more information about the Scripts Editor, see “Scripts Editor” on page 40).

Identify and create needed variables

A variable is a placeholder you create that stores a value or set of values. For example, you can create a variable named “holidays_gv” to store information on the days when your call center is closed. You use variables to test for conditions that can affect the treatments given to the call or the data (both call information and caller entered) collected from a call as it moves through Symposium Call Center Server. You must define all of your variables before you write your scripts. If you define a variable that is not used in any script, delete the variable.

For more information about variables, see Chapter 4, “Working with script variables.”

Compose your scripts

When you compose a script, you follow a four-part process:

- enter the script in the Scripts Editor
- validate the script
- activate the script
- test the script

For more information about composing scripts, see “Scripting tools and procedures” on page 39.

Using a common secondary script to reduce script maintenance and system processing power

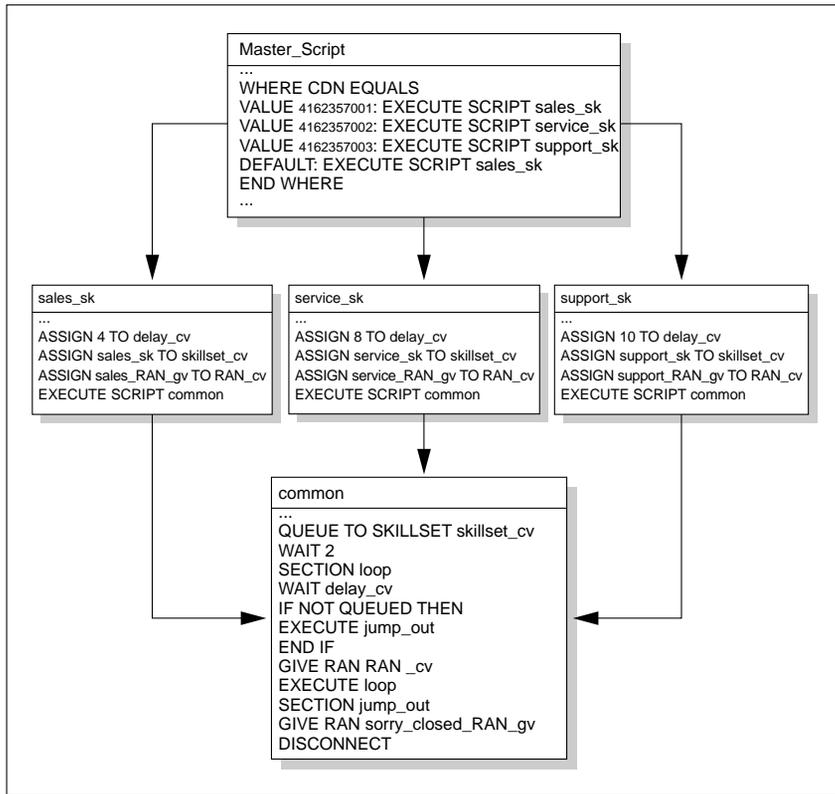
If you create a number of primary scripts that perform a similar function, maintaining these scripts can be time-consuming. Each script includes many script elements common to all scripts. If you decide to modify a script element common to all of the scripts, you must edit and then reactivate each script.

As a more efficient alternative, consider combining all of the common elements in one secondary script, and use multiple primary scripts to define any unique call variables.

For example, if your call center receives three types of calls—sales, service, and support—create three primary scripts and one common secondary script to handle these call types. The three primary scripts are used only to define call variables associated with each call type (sales, service, or support). The secondary script contains all routing instructions and treatments common to each call type.

Example

The illustration below shows a Master script referencing three primary scripts that direct calls to a common secondary script. In the example, the three primary scripts (“sales_sk,” “service_sk,” and “support_sk”) are used to define the call variables “delay_cv,” “skillset_cv,” and “RAN_cv.” The value of the CDN tested in the Master script determines which primary script executes. Once the call variables are defined in the primary script, the secondary script, “common,” is executed using the values assigned in the primary script.



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Scripting tools and procedures

Introduction

This section describes the tools that you use to view, create, and edit scripts. This section also describes script states, validation, and activation.

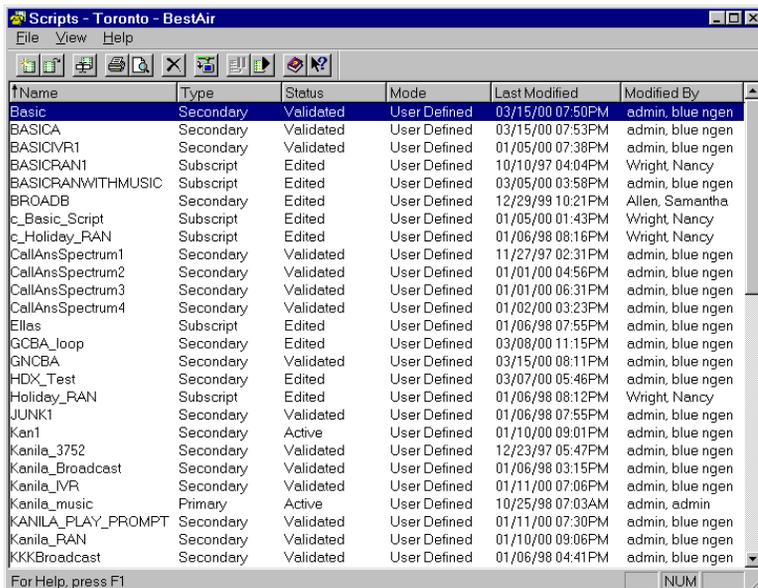
Viewing, creating, and editing scripts

Use the following tools to view, create, and edit scripts:

- the Script Manager
- the Scripts Editor
- the Script Command Reference page

Script Manager

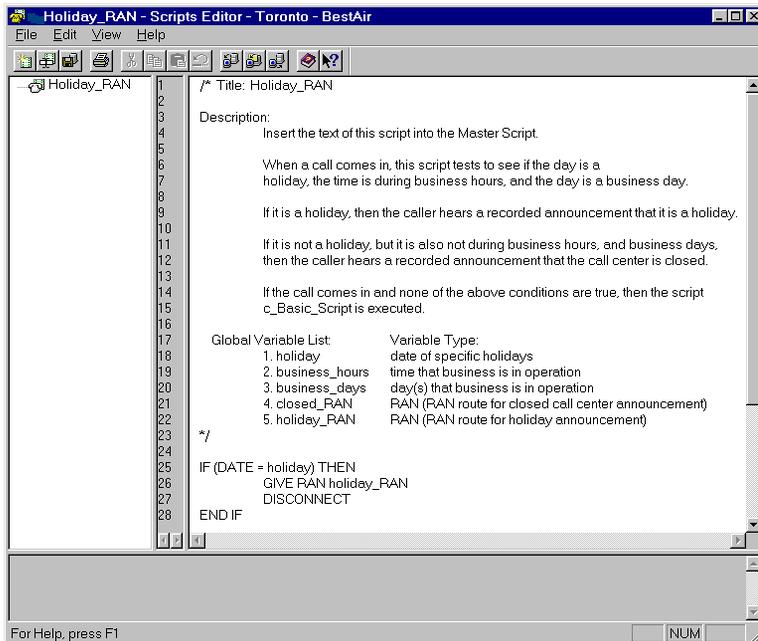
Use the Script Manager to list the scripts on the system. From this window, you can add or remove a script and access the Scripts Editor to change a script. You can also activate or deactivate a script directly from this window.



Name	Type	Status	Mode	Last Modified	Modified By
Basic	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	03/15/00 07:50PM	admin, blue ngen
BASICA	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	03/15/00 07:53PM	admin, blue ngen
BASICIVR1	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/05/00 07:38PM	admin, blue ngen
BASICRANI	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	10/10/97 04:04PM	Wright, Nancy
BASICRANWITHMUSIC	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	03/05/00 03:58PM	admin, blue ngen
BROADB	Secondary	Edited	User Defined	12/29/99 10:21PM	Allen, Samantha
c_Basic_Script	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	01/05/00 01:43PM	Wright, Nancy
c_Holiday_RAN	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	01/06/98 08:16PM	Wright, Nancy
CallAnsSpectrum1	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	11/27/97 02:31PM	admin, blue ngen
CallAnsSpectrum2	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/01/00 04:56PM	admin, blue ngen
CallAnsSpectrum3	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/01/00 06:31PM	admin, blue ngen
CallAnsSpectrum4	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/02/00 03:23PM	admin, blue ngen
Elias	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	01/06/98 07:55PM	admin, blue ngen
GCBA_loop	Secondary	Edited	User Defined	03/08/00 11:15PM	admin, blue ngen
GNCSBA	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	03/15/00 08:11PM	admin, blue ngen
HDX_Test	Secondary	Edited	User Defined	03/07/00 05:46PM	admin, blue ngen
Holiday_RAN	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	01/06/98 08:12PM	Wright, Nancy
JUNK1	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/06/98 07:55PM	admin, blue ngen
Kan1	Secondary	Active	User Defined	01/10/00 09:01PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_3752	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	12/23/97 05:47PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_Broadcast	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/06/98 03:15PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_IVR	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/11/00 07:06PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_music	Primary	Active	User Defined	10/25/98 07:03AM	admin, admin
KANILA_PLAY_PROMPT	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/11/00 07:30PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_RAN	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/10/00 09:06PM	admin, blue ngen
KKBroadcast	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/06/98 04:41PM	admin, blue ngen

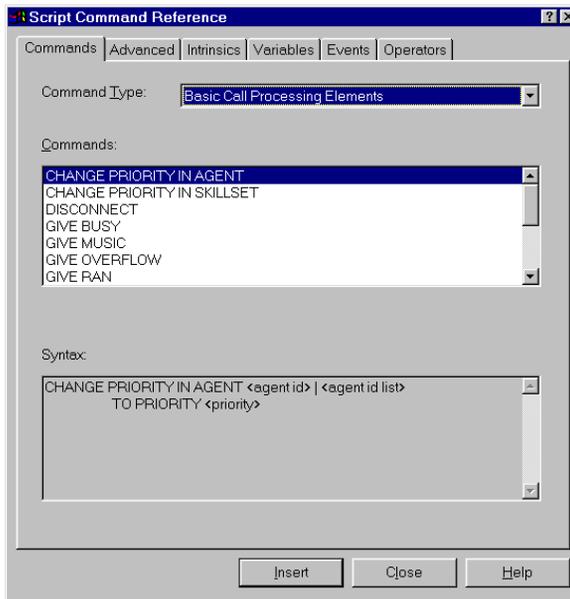
Scripts Editor

In the Scripts Editor, you can create, edit, validate, and activate the scripts that generate call processing for your call center. The Scripts Editor provides a text-based editor for customizing your scripts. In the Scripts Editor, you can import and export scripts and copy portions of other scripts into the current script.



Script Command Reference page

From the Scripts Editor, you can also access the Script Command Reference page, which provides the ability to view and select available script commands, variables, events, intrinsics, and operators for pasting into scripts. Although you can type commands into your scripts manually, if you use the Script Command Reference page, all parameters that you must replace are automatically inserted. This can help to reduce errors in your scripts.



For information on the “building blocks” of scripts (commands and expressions), refer to the following chapters:

- Chapter 4, “Working with script variables”
- Chapter 6, “Basic script commands”
- Chapter 7, “Advanced script commands”
- Chapter 9, “Intrinsic”
- Chapter 10, “Script expressions”

Validation Options dialog box

From the Scripts Editor, you can access the Validation Options dialog box. Validation Options provides an effective tool to help the scriptwriter create or edit scripts. Set validation options so the application can inform you when you are breaking scriptwriting rules. These rules are designed to eliminate run-time errors that can result in improper routing of calls in Symposium Call Center Server.

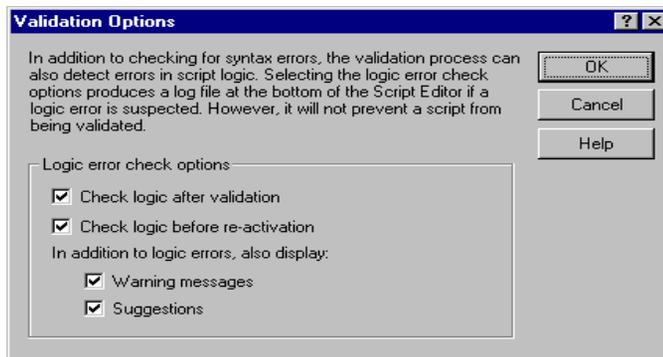
Validation options can be configured so you are informed of broken scriptwriting rules automatically after a script has successfully validated, or before an activated script is edited and then reactivated. You can also configure validation options to display error messages.

Note: If you have configured validation options, breaking a scriptwriting rule results in an error message being displayed. For a list of error messages that can appear, see Appendix A, “Troubleshooting.”

To configure validation options

- 1 From the Scripts Editor, choose View → Validation Options.

Result: The Validation Options dialog box appears.



- 2 Configure validation options by selecting the appropriate boxes.
- 3 Click OK.

To disable validation options

- 1 From the Scripts Editor, choose View → Validation Options.

Result: The Validation Options dialog box appears.

- 2 Deselect any options chosen in the boxes.
- 3 Click OK.

Script states

A script can be in three states: edited, validated, and activated.

Edited

The script has been created or edited, and saved, but has not been validated.

Validated

The script syntax has been checked for errors, and the script is ready to be activated.

Activated

The script is active in the system.

When you finish writing or updating a script in the Scripts Editor, you must validate and then activate it before it can begin to process calls. When you no longer want the script to process calls, you can deactivate it. You can also edit and reactivate a script that is in Activated state. Revalidation is performed once the script is activated.

You do not need to validate or activate a script to save it. You can also change and revalidate it at any time after you create it.

Validation

Before you put a script into service, or “activate” it, you must check it to ensure that the syntax and semantics are correct. This process is called validation. If the script does not contain any errors, validation results in an executable version of the script. If the script contains errors, validation results in a list of those errors, and the corresponding lines of the script where the errors occurred.

Note: Script validation detects only syntax errors. It cannot detect errors in logic.

Activation

An activated script processes calls or is ready to process calls. To activate a script, it must first be validated. (The system validates a script automatically before it is activated, if you have not already done so.)

Notes:

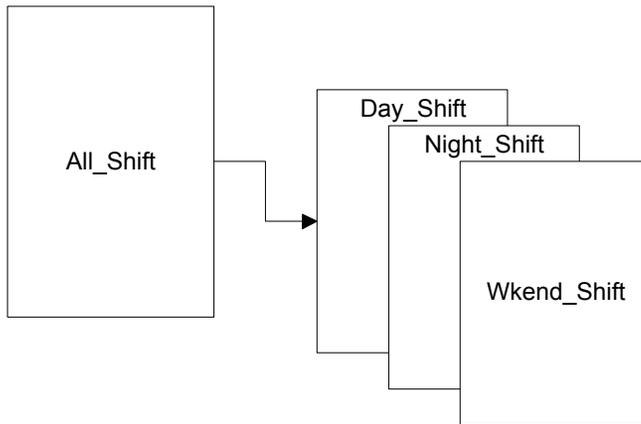
- If a script is activated but is not referenced by the Master script (directly, or indirectly through other scripts), then it does not process any calls.
- Nortel Networks recommends that you do not activate scripts during busy call center periods.
- Activation of scripts can cause the call center to go into default mode. This is because script activation has a high impact on the server and can cause Task Flow Execution to become too slow. Running reports can also cause the same problem. Task Flow Execution has enough time to process calls simultaneously with Script Activation based on the following conditions:
 - the amount of real time available to Task Flow Execution when all other activity in the call center is taken into consideration
 - the length and complexity of the script
 - whether it is the Master script, as it then looks at all the scripts attached to it and their complexity
- Scripts that use a lot of resources, such as If-Then-Else statements, nested commands, skillsets, and so on, can take a long time to validate. This problem can also be caused by only validating a script, because this validation also runs on the server. While delays are less likely to occur during validation than activation, it is still important to avoid validation during busy hours.
- To avoid having to reactivate the Master_Script when writing test scripts, keep a test CDN and a Test Primary Script activated at all times. Then, only edit and change the Test Primary Script, not the Master_Script. You can also use other secondary test scripts. However, it is still advisable to make changes outside busy hours.

Activating secondary scripts

When you activate a script, all scripts that it references are automatically activated, too (if they are not already activated). Therefore, you must validate all referenced scripts before you activate your script. If you do not, activation of your script fails.

Example

The All_Shift script references the Day_Shift, Night_Shift, and Wkend_Shift scripts. You must validate all secondary scripts before you can activate the All_Shift script.



Each script has been successfully validated by the administrator. When the administrator activates the All_Shift script, the system automatically activates the Day_Shift, Night_Shift, and Wkend_Shift scripts.

Changing an activated script

You can make changes to a script while it is activated. You then have a choice between activating the script with the changes immediately, or saving the script with a new name and not putting the changes into service right away. If you choose to put the new version of the script into service immediately, any calls that were already in progress when the script was changed continue to be handled by the original version of the script. The updated version of the script handles new calls.

Note: If an error occurs while the script is being activated, then the original script is used to process calls. You are not allowed to save your changes with the same name.

Deactivation

A deactivated script does not process new calls. If calls already in the system are using the script when it is deactivated, then they continue to be processed by the script until they are completed.

You cannot deactivate or delete a script while it is being referenced by another activated script.

Note: Although you cannot deactivate the Master script you can change the contents and activate the new version. Validation is performed once the script is activated.

Dereferencing/Deleting scripts

You may not be able to de-reference scripts if the Master script is modified during busy periods.

Chapter 3

Scripting rules and conventions

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Overview

Introduction

This chapter contains tips to help you plan how best to write and organize your scripts. This chapter covers the following topics:

- “Script formatting conventions” on page 50 outlines the formatting conventions to use when you write scripts. Follow these conventions so your scripts are easy to understand.
- “Script rules” on page 56 lists the rules that you must follow when you write scripts. If you do not follow these rules, errors can result when you validate your scripts.
- “General scriptwriting tips” on page 59 offers recommendations to help you write efficient scripts.
- “Script example using formatting conventions and rules” on page 77 is a sample script that demonstrates the use of these formatting conventions and tips.
- “Logging on to a Symposium Call Center Server system” on page 80 provides instructions to connect to Symposium Call Center Server.

Before you begin

Before you begin to write scripts or create variables, Symposium Call Center Server must be installed and configured.

In addition, all system resources such as RAN routes, music routes, voice ports, call treatments, and CDNs must be set up and acquired. For more information, refer to the *Symposium and DMS/MSL-100 Switch Guide*.

Additionally, all agents, skillsets, and thresholds must be created. For more information, refer to the *Administrator’s Guide*.

If you plan to use a third-party IVR system to collect caller-entered data, you must set up that system before you can use the caller-entered data in your scripts. See the documentation that came with your IVR system for more information.

Finally, If you plan to use a third-party screen-pop application, you must set up Meridian Link, TAPI, and CTI. For more information about Meridian Link, refer to the *Installation and Maintenance Guide*. For information about setting up TAPI and CTI, refer to the documentation that came with your applications.

Note: The voice ports and position IDs for the IVR system on the switch must be identical to the configuration on the server in Symposium Call Center Server.

Script formatting conventions

Introduction

This section provides formatting conventions to use when you write your scripts. To ensure that your scripts are easily read and understood by you and others, follow a consistent format.

Commands

Type commands in all uppercase letters.

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
```

Intrinsics

Type intrinsics in all uppercase letters.

```
IF (AGE OF CALL > 30)
```

Logical expressions

Type logical operators (And, Not, Or) in all uppercase letters.

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = business_hours_gv)
AND (DAY OF WEEK = business_days_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN open_ran_gv
END IF
```

Parentheses

Expressions in parentheses are processed before other expressions in a statement. Check to make sure that the parentheses in your script correctly reflect the order of call processing that you want. For more information on how parentheses affect your scripts, see “Order of operations” on page 320.

Section names

Type section names with initial capital letters followed by lowercase letters.

```
SECTION Night_Treatment
```

(Remember that the word “section” is a command, and what follows is the section name.)

Skillset names

Type skillset names in all lowercase letters or in mixed case with the first letter capitalized.

```
sales
```

```
or
```

```
Sales
```

Tip: If you follow the skillset name with an underscore and the letters “sk” (for example, “sales_sk” or “Sales_sk”), this quickly identifies any skillsets displayed in the Script Editor.

Variables

Type variables in all lowercase letters or in mixed case with the first letter in lowercase.

```
GIVE RAN closed
```

```
or
```

```
GIVE RAN openHours
```

Tip: To help you identify types of variables in your scripts, include information about the variable type in its name. For example, you can name a global variable for a greeting RAN, “greeting_ran_gv,” or name a call variable for caller-entered data, “caller_data_cv.”

Comparison expressions using If-Then-Else-End If

If and Then should always be on the same line, unless the statement is too long to fit on a single line. Indent commands following the If statement using the tab key. When an If statement is followed by a second If statement (known as a nested If), indent the second If statement. When using multiple If statements in a script, each If must have a matching End If.

```
IF (CLID = vip_list_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Vips_Section
ELSE
    IF (CLID = special_list_gv) THEN
        EXECUTE Special_Section
    END IF
END IF
```

Blank lines, indenting, and comments

To improve the readability of your scripts, leave blank lines between sections, and before and after comments. Indent commands inside sections to make it easier to identify sections. Indent commands that extend beyond one line.

Comments help others understand your intentions for a section. While comments are not required, they can be extremely helpful in understanding the original purpose of the section for those who review the script at a later date.

Note: Tabs and extra spaces within a line are ignored. Blank lines are also ignored.

ATTENTION

Comments included in your scripts must begin with an opening marker (*/**) and end with a closing marker (**/*). If you do not include both an opening and a closing marker, the script does not validate.

Example

The following example shows the proper use of comments, indenting, and blank lines between sections:

```
/* This section of the script queues calls to the general
skillset during regular business hours.*/
IF (DAY OF YEAR = holiday_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Night_Treatment
END IF
QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk
QUIT
SECTION Night_Treatment
    GIVE RAN closed_ran_gv
    DISCONNECT
```

The perfect basic script

The following example shows a script with all recommended formatting conventions applied. This example clearly distinguishes elements such as commands, variables, and skillsets. Write all of your scripts in this manner:

Example

```
IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = after_hours_gv)
OR OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran_gv
    DISCONNECT
END IF

QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
```

```
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC soft_music_gv

SECTION WaitLoop
    WAIT loop_time_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
            GIVE RAN sorry_day_closed_ran_gv
            DISCONNECT
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
            WAIT 2
        END IF
    END IF
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

Script naming guidelines

Introduction

Follow the guidelines in this section when assigning script names to new scripts or when renaming existing scripts.

Rules for assigning script names

You must follow these rules when assigning script names:

- Script names are not case-sensitive.
- The script name must be unique. You cannot use the name of an existing script.
- Do not use spaces or punctuation marks in script names, except for underscores (_).
- Do not use a scripting keyword as a script name. Refer to Appendix B, “Scripting keywords,” for a list of scripting keywords.
- Script names cannot start with a numerical value. They must start with an alphabetic value. For example, 1_CCTIPS is not a valid script name, but CC1_TIPS is a valid script name.

Hints and tips for assigning script names

- Script names are generally used internally by the call center administrator. However, if the script is referenced from the Master script, then the name given to the script becomes the application name and appears on Real-Time displays and historical reports.
- The administrator may want to view the scripts so that when applications are sorted alphabetically on the Real-Time displays, the relevant applications are shown together.

Script rules

Introduction

This section describes the rules to follow when you create your Symposium Call Center Server scripts. If you do not follow these rules, you receive errors when you validate the script, and the call does not receive the treatment you intend.

Note: Most, but not all, of these script element restrictions are detected during script validation (before the script is activated). However, the validator cannot detect every possible situation that can cause a problem.

First command rule

Do not use the following commands as the first command executed for a call in a script. The call must first be given treatment through the use of any other command:

- WAIT
- QUIT
- GIVE SILENCE
- REMOVE FROM AGENT
- CHANGE PRIORITY IN AGENT
- REMOVE FROM SKILLSET
- CHANGE PRIORITY IN SKILLSET
- READVAR/SAVEVAR

Call rejection

If one of the preceding commands is encountered as the first command, the call is routed to the default ACD-DN configured for the CDN. (The call will not be queued to the default skillset or RAN). Symposium Call Center Server logs an error to the alarm monitor and event browser.

Lists

For many commands and skillset intrinsics, you can list up to 20 skillsets or agents. Entries in lists must be separated by commas.

Example

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk, service_sk, support_sk
```

Parentheses rule

Parentheses are allowed in script commands to group elements and formulas in expressions. Each open parenthesis must have a matching closing parenthesis.

Variables rule

When using a command that changes the value of a variable, that variable must be defined as a call variable.

Event Handler rules

Rule 1

If you use an Event Handler command in a script, it must be the script's first command. The script must also have a closing End Handler command.

Rule 2

The Event Handler command only applies to the script in which it appears. If the script calls a secondary script, the Event Handler no longer applies to the call. If you want the Event Handler to apply to secondary scripts, you must repeat it at the beginning of each script.

Section and Execute rules

Rule 1

Any loop that is created in a script through the Section and Execute commands must have a Wait command inside it.

Rule 2

Each Execute command must have a section label defined in the script as its target.

Note: The reverse is not true. Each section label does not need an Execute command to target it.

If-Then-End If rule

The If-Then-End If command can have multiple commands between Then and End If.

If-Then-Else-End If rule

The If-Then-Else-End If command can have multiple commands between Then and Else, as well as multiple commands between Else and End If. The Else branch executes only when the If condition is not true.

Where-Equals rule

The value used in the Where-Equals command must be an item value, or an expression that evaluates to an item value. This command must be closed with an End Where command. The Default clause of the command is optional; however, Nortel Networks recommends that it always be used.

General scripting tips

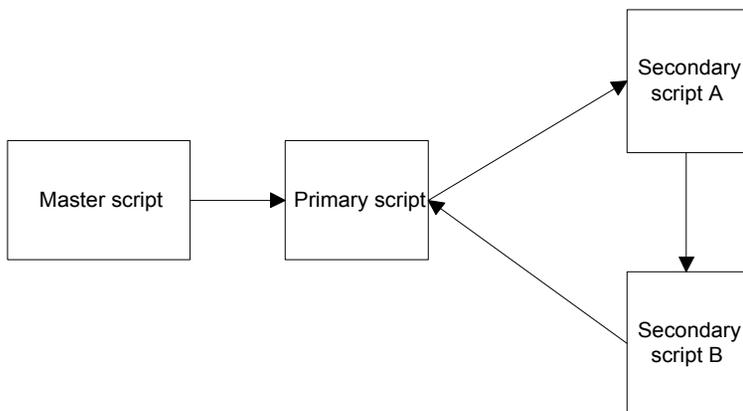
Introduction

This section gives recommendations for writing efficient scripts.

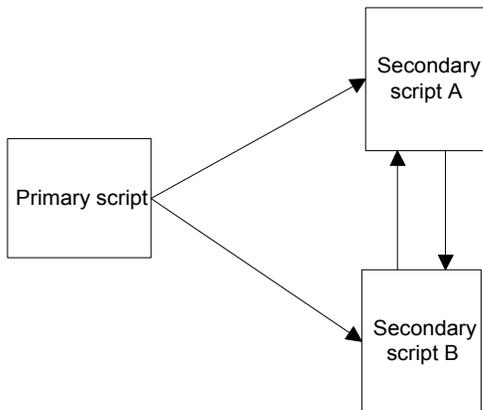
Avoid circular dependencies

When two scripts reference each other, either directly or indirectly through other scripts, they create a circular dependency. Symposium Call Center Server allows circular dependencies (with the exception that a script cannot call itself directly), but Nortel Networks strongly recommends that you do *not* use them. Circular dependencies may cause recursive looping, which causes the task flow executor to crash.

The following diagrams illustrate two ways in which circular dependencies can occur. In the first diagram, the circular dependency is created by a secondary script (script B) referencing a primary script:



In the following illustration, the circular dependency is created when two secondary scripts reference each other:



Since you cannot deactivate a script if it is being referenced by another active script, it is complicated to deactivate a script that is in a circular dependency. For more information, see “To deactivate circular-dependent scripts” on page 142.

Avoid unnecessary commands

Avoid using unnecessary commands that can decrease the efficiency of your system.

Examples

- Do not repeat a Give Music command when a call returns to a queue because music resumes automatically.
- Once a Queue to Skillset command executes, there is no need to repeat it for the same skillset.
- After Queue to Skillset, use a Wait 2 (or more) command before the next Give RAN command, if possible. If an agent is immediately available, the 2-second delay prevents the system from starting to execute the Give RAN command.
- Do not use the Log command in the normal call processing path. Older events in the log file are overwritten by new events being logged. Events logged by this command can reduce the amount of historical data in the log file.

Understand the difference between call priority and agent priority

Call priorities are set in the script, and agent priorities are set in agent to skillset assignments.

In general, avoid using call priorities (that is, the With Priority option), because they can prevent lower-priority calls from being answered.

If you use the With Priority option, Nortel Networks recommends that you either queue the calls to a backup skillset as well, or change the priorities of old calls (using the Age Of Call intrinsic) so they do not stay in queue forever.

Agent priorities do not cause calls to be left in queue. If you use agent priority and calls are waiting to be answered, Symposium Call Center Server presents calls to agents regardless of their priority.

Note: There is no relationship between call priority and agent within skillsets priority.

The following table compares call priority to agent to skillset priority:

	Call priority	Agent to skillset priority
Where is the value set?	Call priority is set or changed in the script (using the Queue To Skillset, Queue To Agent With Priority, or Change Priority commands), and can be different for each call.	Agent to skillset priority is only set in user administrator or agent to skillset assignments on the Symposium Call Center Server client PC.
Call or agent related?	Call priority is related only to the call. It is not related to agents.	Agent to skillset priority cannot be set or changed in the script, and is not call-related.

Call priority	Agent to skillset priority
<p>Call priority is used only when there are no idle agents at the moment when the Queue To command is executed. Call priority is used at that time to decide in which position Symposium Call Center Server should place the call. When an agent becomes available, the call with the highest priority and longest wait time is presented.</p>	<p>Agent to skillset priority is used only when there are idle agents at the moment that the Queue To command executes. Symposium Call Center Server uses agent to skillset priority at that time to decide which agent to present the call to (in that skillset/agent list). The agent with the highest priority and longest idle time is presented with the call.</p>

For more information about setting agent to skillset priorities, see the *Administrator's Guide*.

Check for the most likely conditions first

If a script checks for multiple conditions, it is more efficient to check for the condition that is the most likely to occur first. For example, if a script handles three types of callers differently based on DNIS, it is most efficient to check the most commonly called number, followed by the second most commonly called number, followed by the third most commonly called number.

Example

In the following example, 2135555604 is called most often, followed by 2135555610 and 2135555612:

```
WHERE DNIS EQUALS
    VALUE 2135555604: QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH
    PRIORITY 3
    VALUE 2135555610: QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH
    PRIORITY 2
    VALUE 2135555612:QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH
    PRIORITY 1
    DEFAULT: QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH PRIORITY 4
END WHERE
```

Check whether skillsets are out of service

Attempts to queue calls to a skillset queue that is out of service are rejected. If there is any possibility that a skillset is not staffed (for example, if the skillset does not operate 24 hours a day), use an Out-of-Service check in your scripts.

Example: Without check for out-of-service condition

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk
SECTION wait_loop
    WAIT 4
    GIVE RAN pleaseContinueToWait
EXECUTE wait_loop
```

In this example, if the skillsets are out of service, the call executes the loop until the caller abandons. If the caller is very patient, he or she may wait hours before abandoning. The following example shows how to use the out-of-service condition to prevent this from happening.

Example: With check for out-of-service condition

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE general_sk THEN
    EXECUTE Night_Treatment
END IF
QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk
WAIT 2 /*Allow time for the call to be queued*/
SECTION wait_loop
    WAIT 20
    /*Check whether skillset is in service*/
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE general_sk THEN
            EXECUTE DayClosed_Treatment
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk
```

```
                WAIT 2
            END IF
        END IF
        GIVE RAN pleaseContinueToWait
    EXECUTE wait_loop
```

Use variables to handle emergency situations

You can use variables to handle emergency situations at your call center. For example, you can create a variable named “emergency” and set its value to True. For an example of how you can use this variable in a script, see Chapter 12, “Using sample scripts.”

In some emergency situations (for example, ones that require evacuation), you may not have time to change the value of the emergency variable before you leave the call center. For these situations, you can follow these steps:

To create an emergency skillset

- 1 Create an emergency agent. Give the agent a logon ID that is easy to remember, such as 0911.
- 2 Assign the agent to the emergency skillset.
- 3 Include the following lines in all loops in all scripts:

```
IF NOT OUT OF SERVICE emergency_sk THEN
    <statements>
    EXECUTE Emergency_Situation
END IF
```

As an alternative, you can also use the following lines:

```
IF (LOGGED AGENT COUNT emergency_sk > 0) THEN
    EXECUTE Emergency_Situation
END IF
```

- 4 When an emergency situation arises, you can quickly log on the emergency agent to any phoneset. The emergency skillset is immediately placed in

service when the agent logs on. The statements you provided for emergency situations take effect immediately.

Accommodate high traffic conditions

If your script starts with a significant number of commands that do not give a treatment (such as Where-Equals or If tests, or Execute or Execute Script commands) before the first call treatment, the caller hears a second or two of silence before Symposium Call Center Server gives treatment. Under high traffic conditions, the response time (imposed by the switch) can expire, causing calls to default intermittently.

Note: It would take more than 50 If tests to present a problem. Nortel Networks recommends using no more than 50 If tests to avoid possible script execution problems.

If you think that you may encounter this problem, write the script so that it presents the treatment first (such as Give Music or Give Ringback). Begin a large number of If tests only when the caller is hearing a tone.

Use loops

A loop is a section of a script that is repeated over and over until a call is answered. It is useful for checking time intrinsics, such as the Age of Call, or for playing the same recorded announcement more than once to a caller (for example, every 30 seconds).

Avoid infinite loops

To avoid endless loops, ensure that the initial Queue To Skillset command worked. For example, in Example 1 below, the Queued intrinsic checks (in each loop) whether the call is still queued.

When a call is in a loop, it is very important to ensure that the call is still queued to the skillset, and that there are agents logged on to the skillset. In regular script processing (that is, when a call is not in a loop), if the call is not queued when it reaches the end of the script, Symposium Call Center Server automatically checks whether the call is queued. If it is not queued, the call receives default treatment. In a loop, however, this check is never performed because there are always commands to execute.

Before queuing a call to a skillset or list of skillsets, use the Out of Service intrinsic to test the state of the skillset or use the Logged Out Agent intrinsic if you use the Queue to Agent command to queue the call.

Note: Use the Out of Service intrinsic rather than Logged Agent Count to test a skillset state. The Out Of Service intrinsic handles the transition mode (when the skillset is going out of service, but some agents are still logged on). The Logged Agent Count intrinsic does not handle the transition mode.

Any loop that you create in a script using the Section and Execute commands must contain a Wait command.

Avoid repeating commands

Avoid putting commands that do not need to be repeated inside a loop. In the following example, the Queue To Skillset statement is executed before the loop, which repeats the RAN. It is possible to include the Queue To Skillset statement in the loop, but this causes the Queue To Skillset statement to be repeated unnecessarily. A Queue To Skillset statement that is repeated multiple times is ignored, but creates a less efficient script.

Example 1

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk WITH PRIORITY 3

WAIT 3

/*This section checks to ensure that the call is queued,
then repeats a second recorded announcement after a 30
second pause until the call is answered.*/

SECTION Play_2nd_RAN

    WAIT 30

    IF NOT QUEUED THEN

        IF NOT OUT OF SERVICE service_sk THEN

            QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk WITH PRIORITY 1

            WAIT 2

        ELSE

            EXECUTE Help_Me_Now

        END IF
```

```
END IF

GIVE RAN agents_still_busy_ran_gv

EXECUTE Play_2nd_RAN

SECTION Help_Me_Now

...
```

Check for conditions

Use caution when using a loop to check whether an intrinsic meets a given condition. This is important because an intrinsic (Age of Call, for example) is equal to a particular value for only 1 second in time. For example, the statement

```
IF (AGE OF CALL = 10)
```

is true only if the skillset happens to be checked when the call has waited exactly 10 seconds. A better way to do this is to set a condition using an operator that targets a range of time, and place the conditional statement in a loop that is repeated at frequent intervals, beginning at a time just prior to that specified in the condition.

Example 2

In the following example, the priority of the call does not change until the call has waited more than 2 minutes. The condition Age of Call (in the Check_Age section) removes the call from the Check_Age loop to the Change_Priority section, which begins only when the call has waited 2 minutes. The first Wait statement delays the script from beginning the loop until the system has had time to check if there is an agent available.

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk WITH PRIORITY 3
```

```
WAIT 2
```

```
/* This section of the script tests the age of the call
every 10 seconds. If the call has been in queue longer than
120 seconds, the script jumps to another section to
increase the call's priority in queue. It also checks
whether the call is queued, and if not, it jumps to another
section.*/
```

```
SECTION Check_Age
```

```
WAIT 10
IF NOT QUEUED THEN
    EXECUTE Help_Me_Now
END IF
IF (AGE OF CALL > 120) THEN
    EXECUTE Change_Priority
END IF
EXECUTE Check_Age
SECTION Change_Priority
CHANGE PRIORITY IN SKILLSET service_sk TO PRIORITY 2
WAIT 2
EXECUTE WaitLoop
SECTION Help_Me_Now
```

Use ranges

Ranges for variables include all numbers in the range, including the start and end range values. For example, a range of 1 .. 4155552323 includes every CLID from 1–415 555 2323. The starting and ending values should usually have the same number of digits (for example, 4155552134 .. 4155552688).

For time ranges, the whole minute at the end of the time range is included. Therefore, the time range 08:00 .. 09:00 is actually 61 minutes. For a 60-minute period, use the range 08:00 .. 08:59.

Use caution in specifying ranges to ensure that your range includes only the intended values.

Use sections to provide more than one treatment

If more than one action is required when a condition is met, use a section.

Example

This script uses a special section to treat VIP callers; otherwise, calls are queued to the general skillset. If the call is not answered within 30 seconds, the caller receives a message informing him or her that the call center is closed.

```
IF (CLID = vip_list_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Vip_Treatment
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk WITH PRIORITY 3
    WAIT 2
    EXECUTE WaitLoop
END IF

/* This section of the script gives special treatment to
calls in the VIP variable list */
SECTION Vip_Treatment
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
    WAIT 2
    GIVE RAN special_callers_ran_gv

/* This section of the script first checks to see if the
call has been queued, then it checks if there are any
available agents for the general skillset. If there are no
available agents the caller receives a message indicating
the call center is closed. Otherwise the call is queued to
the general skillset.*/
SECTION WaitLoop
    WAIT 30
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE general_sk THEN
            GIVE RAN day_closed_ran_gv
            DISCONNECT
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
```

```
                WAIT 2
            END IF
        END IF
    EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

Define meaningful time comparisons

To be meaningful, time comparisons should include $> =$ or $< =$. For example, given the following commands,

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = 08:00)
```

and

```
IF (TIME OF DAY > = 08:00)
AND (TIME OF DAY < 09:00)
```

the first expression is true for 1 minute, while the second expression is true for 1 hour. A better way to express this is to use a range, as in the following example:

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = 08:00 .. 08:59)
```

Use variables to minimize script maintenance effort

Variables make your scripts easier to modify. For example, if you use the variable “business_hours” to represent the hours that your company is open (say 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), and you expand your hours to 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., you only need to update the variable value. You do not have to modify all of your scripts.

Naming restrictions

Do not use keywords, skillset names, or section labels to name variables. Variables must have unique names.

To avoid errors, define all of your variables before you write your scripts. If you define a variable that is not referenced by a script, delete it after you have written all of your scripts.

For more information about variables, see Chapter 4, “Working with script variables.”

Handle transferred calls properly

When a call is transferred, you must ensure that the call is handled properly. Your script must

- provide enough time for the transferring party to release the call
- prevent pegging of the transferring party against the application

To do so, include the following statement at the beginning of the Master script:

```
IF TRANSFERRED THEN
    GIVE RINGBACK
    WAIT 4
END IF
```

Using wild variables in the Master script

When placing a conditional statement to trigger emergencies using READVAR/SAVEVAR in the Master script as the first command following the Event Handler, the calls will be rejected by Symposium Call Center Server and defaulted since the READVAR/SAVEVAR is an illegal first statement.

Instead, place a GIVE RINGBACK as the first command in the Master_Script to prevent this condition.

Guidelines for providing feedback

Introduction

Your scripts should assure the caller that his or her call is still being processed. You can provide helpful feedback with ringback or other treatments, such as music or recorded announcements. This section provides guidelines for providing helpful feedback to the caller.

Consider what the caller hears

Examine your scripts to determine what the caller will hear. For example, in the following script, if an agent does not become available, the caller receives the following feedback:

- The caller hears ringback when the call enters the queue in the general skillset.
- If no agents are available, the caller hears the entire RAN `agents_busy_ran_gv`.
- The caller hears music for 20 seconds.
- If, at the end of 20 seconds, no agents are available, the caller hears the entire RAN `agents_still_busy_ran_gv`.
- The caller hears music again until the call is answered.

Example script

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk WITH PRIORITY 3
WAIT 2 /* Check for idle agent*/
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC local_station_gv
WAIT 20
GIVE RAN agents_still_busy_ran_gv
```

Default treatments

If no other treatment is given for the following commands, ringback is automatically applied:

- QUEUE TO SKILLSET
- QUEUE TO AGENT
- SEND INFO
- SEND REQUEST
- LOG

Queue To Skillset command

If a call receives no treatment before it is queued to a skillset by the Queue To Skillset command, Symposium Call Center Server automatically gives a ringback tone when the call

- enters the skillset queue
- is presented to an agent

The caller often hears only a burst of ringback in these situations, depending on the delay—or lack of delay—in providing the next treatment. Since a script cannot control that delay, it does not completely control the tones heard by the caller.

Example

The following example shows how to give the caller a full cycle of ringback before the next treatment. This method forces a 6-second delay before giving tones to ensure a more natural-sounding ringback cycle:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 6
GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv
```

Give RAN sessions

Note: By default, a caller hears silence after the playing of a recorded announcement. If you want the caller to hear anything other than silence (music or ringback), you must insert the appropriate command.

Give Music command

Music resumes after all commands except Give Silence and Give Ringback. Therefore, the Give Music command need not be repeated in a script. The Give Music command must be in the loop if you want callers to hear music while they wait in queue. If the music is interrupted for a RAN, then you must reissue the GIVE MUSIC command so that the music treatment continues. The music only resumes if a call is returned to queue.

Scriptwriting tips for specific commands

Use the DNIS intrinsic to transfer calls

With DMS/MSL-100, you can transfer calls using the DNIS intrinsic or the CDN intrinsic. If you want to use the DNIS to transfer calls, follow the procedure below.

To set up the DNIS to transfer calls

- 1 Set up Supplementary DNIs (which are really supplementary CDNs) where agents or IVRs transfer calls.
- 2 Capture the number into a call variable.
- 3 Test the variable on the DNIS number.

Example

```
/*This section handles transfers back into Symposium Call
Center Server. The new DNIS number dialed by the IVR or
agent is stored in a call variable of type DNIS. Once the
IVR port or agent hangs up, the script restarts and you
check the value of the call variable. If it is not the
default value then the call is sent to the section
Dnis_Check, which checks the value of the variable and
directs the call to the appropriate script*/
```

```
IF CONSULTED THEN
```

```
    ASSIGN DNIS TO cv_dnis
```

```
    GIVE RINGBACK
```

```
    WAIT 6
```

```
    EXECUTE Dnis_Check /*this allows screened xfrs*/
```

```
END IF
```

```
IF cv_dnis <>1234567890 THEN
```

```
    EXECUTE Dnis_Check
```

```
END IF
```

```
/*This section handles brand new calls coming in to
Symposium Call Center Server*/
```

```
WHERE DNIS EQUALS
```

```
    VALUE 6367933000: EXECUTE SCRIPT Sales
```

```
    VALUE 6367933001: EXECUTE SCRIPT Service
```

```
END WHERE
```

```
/*This section directs transferred calls based on the DNIS  
call variable value to the appropriate scripts*/
```

```
SECTION Dnis_Check
```

```
    WHERE cv_dnis EQUALS
```

```
        VALUE 6367933100: EXECUTE SCRIPT Sales
```

```
        VALUE 6367933101: EXECUTE SCRIPT Service
```

```
    END WHERE
```

Script example using formatting conventions and rules

Introduction

The following script example combines many of the tips given in this chapter.

Note: In this case, the call center is not open 24 hours a day.

Sample script

```
/* Check to see if both skillsets that can answer calls are
out of service, and disconnect the caller if they are. */
IF OUT OF SERVICE general_sk, backup_sk THEN
    EXECUTE Night_Treatment
END IF

/* Send VIP calls to be handled in a special way. This is
done at the beginning to ensure that VIP callers are never
given a busy signal. vip_list is a variable. */
IF (CLID = vip_list_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Special_Handling
END IF

/* Check to see if there are already more than twice as many
calls queued as there are agents logged in, and give the
caller a busy signal if this is true. */
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT general_sk) > (2 * LOGGED AGENT
COUNT general_sk) THEN
    GIVE BUSY
END IF

/* Queue the caller to the general skillset and give an
announcement followed by music. */
QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk WITH PRIORITY 3
```

```
WAIT 6

GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv

GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv

/* This section of the script tests the age of the call
every 20 seconds. If the call has been in the queue longer
than 2 minutes, the script jumps to another section that
increases the call's priority in queue. If the call is not
queued, the caller hears a message informing him or her
that the call center is closed.*/

SECTION Check_Age

/* Check if call still queued - if not, Call Center must
have closed */

    WAIT 20

    IF NOT QUEUED THEN

        EXECUTE Night_Treatment

    END IF

    IF (AGE OF CALL > 120) THEN

        EXECUTE Raise_Priority

    END IF

    GIVE RAN agents_still_busy_ran_gv

    GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv

    EXECUTE Check_Age

SECTION Raise_Priority

    CHANGE PRIORITY IN SKILLSET general_sk TO PRIORITY 1

    WAIT 2

    QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_sk WITH PRIORITY 3

    WAIT 2

SECTION Keep_RAN_Loop

/* Check if call still queued - if not, Call Center must
have closed */

    WAIT 20
```

```
IF NOT QUEUED THEN
    EXECUTE Night_Treatment
END IF

GIVE RAN agents_still_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv
EXECUTE Keep_RAN_Loop

/* This section of the script is reached if the caller has
a CLID that is in the VIP variable list. These callers are
queued with high priority to two queues and given a special
RAN. */

SECTION Special_Handling
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
    WAIT 2
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_sk WITH PRIORITY 3
    WAIT 2
    GIVE RAN you_are_special_ran_gv
    GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv
    EXECUTE Keep_Ran_Loop

/* This section of the script plays the closed announcement
and disconnects the caller. This will only happen if both
the general skillset and the backup skillset are out of
service. */

SECTION Night_Treatment
    GIVE RAN closed_ran_gv
    DISCONNECT
```

Logging on to a Symposium Call Center Server system

Introduction

Before you can create or edit scripts for Symposium Call Center Server, you need to log on to the system.

Note: This section shows you how to log on to a Symposium Call Center Server Classic Client. To log on to the Symposium Call Center Web Client, refer to the *Symposium Call Center Web Client Planning, Installation, and Administration* guide or the *Symposium Call Center Web Client* online help.

Assumptions

This procedure assumes the following details:

- The site and systems you want to access have been set up and configured in the SMI Workbench.
To set up sites and systems, refer to the *Installation and Maintenance Guide*.
- You know the user ID and password to log on to Symposium Call Center Server. If you do not know this information, contact your system administrator or your call center administrator.

Logging on for the first time

If you are logging on to Symposium Call Center Server for the first time after the system has been installed, refer to the *Setup Guide*. Otherwise, follow this procedure to log on to the system.

Once you have logged on to the system, you can create a desktop shortcut to reduce the number of steps involved in the procedure. For information on how to create a desktop shortcut, refer to the *Administrator's Guide*.

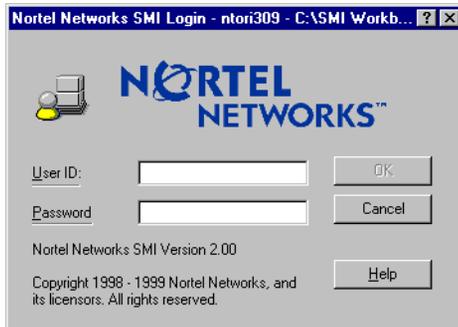
To log on to the system

- 1 From the Start menu, select Programs → SMI Workbench.

Result: The SMI Workbench window appears.

- 2 Double-click the icon of the system to which you want to connect.

Result: The Login dialog box appears.

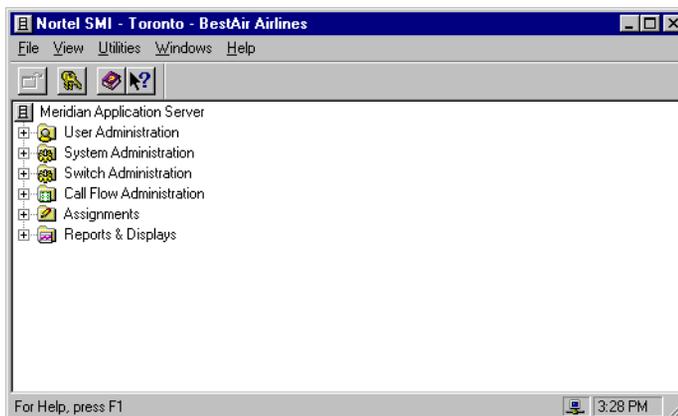


- 3 Enter your user ID and password.

Note: If you do not know this information, contact your system administrator.

- 4 Click OK.

Result: The SMI window appears.



Result: If a connection could not be made, an error message appears.

Chapter 4

Working with script variables

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Overview

Introduction

Before you create your Symposium Call Center Server scripts, create the variables you plan to use for your system. This chapter explains how to create and assign values to variables, how to change the values assigned to variables, and how to delete variables.

What are script variables?

Script variables are placeholders that you can use in scripts to represent values that are defined outside of the script. More than one script can use the same variable. To change the value of a variable, you only have to change the definition of the variable—scripts are not interrupted. You can implement changes easily, without interrupting call center operation.

All script variables are either global variables or call variables.

What are global variables?

Global variables are script variables that you can use in any script on the system. The value of a global variable can be changed only in the Script Variables window. It cannot be changed in the script.

Example

BestAir Airlines has a global variable named “business_hours_gv” that is assigned a value of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. BestAir uses this variable in its script as follows:

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = business_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN open_ran_gv
END IF
```

Updating global variables

When you change the value of a global variable, calls that are already active in the Symposium Call Center Server system do not use the new value unless they branch to a new script (using the Execute Script command). New calls use the new global variable values immediately.

What are call variables?

Call variables are script variables whose value can change on a call-by-call basis. The value of a call variable follows the call through the system and is passed from one script to the next with the call. The initial value of a call variable is assigned in the Script Variables window. Each incoming call uses this value unless it is changed in the script by one of the following commands:

- ASSIGN TO
- GET RESPONSE

Example

You can use the Assign To command in a script to give a value to a variable for the duration of a call. The following example assigns the value of the total number of active calls, divided by the call rate, plus 10 to the variable `int_var`:

```
ASSIGN (TOTAL ACTIVE CALLS / CALL RATE + 10) TO int_var
```

Updating call variables

When you make changes to the initial value of a call variable in the Script Variables window, calls that are already active in the Symposium Call Center Server system do not use the new value (call variable values stay constant throughout the life of the call). The new value takes effect for new calls.

You can create up to 20 call variables. If you attempt to create one more variable, you receive an error message.

There is no limit to the number of global variables that you can create.

Call variables and blind transfer calls

When a call is transferred, Symposium Call Center Server combines the call variables of the original call and those of the consultative call. This creates a list of call variables that includes some of the original call variables and some of the consultative call's call variables. This only happens for blind transfers.

When a call first arrives and begins execution of a Master script, it starts with an empty list of call variables. Then, as it goes through the scripts, each call variable that it uses is copied into the script's private list of variables. If the scripts are written so that the original incoming call accesses some call variables, and the consultation call accesses different call variables, when the transfer is complete (blind transfer only), a single list is created that contains both the original call's call variables plus the consultative call's call variables. The original call starts again at the top of the Master script, but this time with the combined list of call variables. If the same call variable is used by both the original call and the consultant call, the value of the consultant call is applied to the variable once the call is complete.

What are wild variables?

Wild variables enable a call to exclusively change the value of a call variable of type integer, and make the updated value available to other calls.

A call variable becomes a wild variable when you reference a script using the READVAR / SAVEVAR command block. The value of the call variable is passed into the wild variables table. Another call can access the saved value in the wild variables table using the READVAR / SAVEVAR statement. The value remains unchanged in the wild variables table until you restart TFE.

Visibility

The wild variables table is not synchronized with the call variables table. When a call variable becomes a wild variable, the Administration Client only displays the initial value of the variable and not the current value of the wild variable.

Setting and resetting wild variables

Once the value is passed to the wild variables table, you can do the following to set or reset the value:

- Restart TFE.

- Write a script to initialize or reinitialize the wild variable.

Sets of values in variables

Some variables can have a set of values instead of only a single value. For example, you can create a variable for holidays that includes all holidays for the year. Variables with sets of values can include up to 60 items.

Notes:

- Item class variables must have a single value.
- Replacement of a specific agent with an agent variable does not require you to modify your scripts if the agent leaves the call center and is replaced by another agent.
- Call variables can only be an item, not a set.

Opening the Script Variables window

Introduction

Use the Script Variables window to list the script variables on the system. From this window, you can create or delete a script variable. You can also access the Script Variable Properties dialog box where you can change script variable properties.

Note: You cannot delete Script variables while they are referenced by any activated scripts.

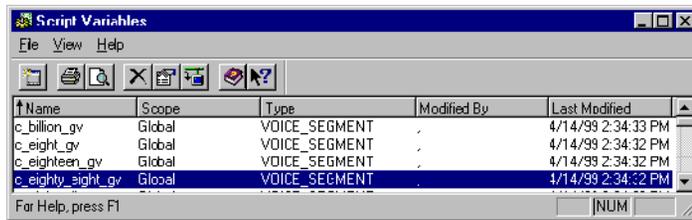
To open the Script Variables window

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration.



2 Double-click Script Variables.

Result: The Script Variables window appears.



Types of variables

Introduction

The following table lists the types of variables you can create:

Data type	Class allowed	Leading zero allowed	Valid value	Example
Agent ID	Item or set	Yes	16-digit number	4568527539547852
Boolean	Item	No	True or False	True
CDN	Item or set	No	10 digits (negatives not allowed) Note: The 10-digit value of the CDN is enforced when you set the variable.	4165557192
CLID	Item or set	Yes	Note: 10 digits (negatives not allowed)	4165552244
Date	Item or set	No	Jan 1 to Dec 31 January 1 to December 31	Sep 3 September 3
Day	Item or set	No	Monday to Sunday	Tuesday
Day of month	Item or set	No	1–31	23
Digits	Item	No	1–32 digits, numbers only. This is the variable type used for the call variable that stores caller-entered data.	5552356
DN	Item or set	Yes	1–32 digits (negatives not allowed)	5552356
DNIS	Item or set	Yes	10 digits (negatives not allowed)	4165642334
Integer	Item	No	Number from –1999999999 to 1999999999	22938

Data type	Class allowed	Leading zero allowed	Valid value	Example
Language	Item	No	French, German, English, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese, Japanese	French
Month	Item or set	No	Jan to Dec January to December	Mar March
Music	Item	No	Music route, 0–511	73
Priority	Item	No	Numbers 1–6	5
RAN	Item	No	RAN route, 0–511	72
Seconds	Item	No	0–65535	10
Skillset	Item or set	No	1–30-character string (no spaces allowed)	French_sales
String	Item	No	1–80 characters	Log message
Time	Item or set	No	0:00 to 23:59	11:15
Wildcard	Item or set	No	1- to 32-digit number containing wildcard @ or placeholder ? symbols	416@ 41?

Creating script variables

Introduction

Follow the procedure in this section to create script variables in Symposium Call Center Server.

Note: This section shows you how to create script variables using the Classic Client. To create script variables using Symposium Web Client, refer to the Symposium Web Client online Help.

Before you begin

Before you begin to create variables, all system resources, such as RAN routes, music routes, voice ports, call treatments, and CDNs must be set up. For more information about setting up these resources, refer to the *Symposium and DMS/MSL-100 Switch Guide*.

Additionally, all agents and skillsets must be created. For more information about creating agents and skillsets, refer to the *Administrator's Guide*.

Naming script variables

When you name script variables, ensure that you meet the following requirements:

- Script variable names must be unique. They cannot be the same as skillset names, script language keywords, or intrinsics. For a list of script language keywords, see Appendix B, “Scripting keywords.”
- Script variable names must begin with an alphabetic character and cannot contain spaces.
- Valid characters for script variable names are A–Z, a–z, 0–9, and _ (underscore).

Tips:

1. When possible, give variables generic names so you can reuse them in different scripts.
2. To help you identify types of variables when you are writing and editing your scripts, include information about the variable type in its name. For example, name a global variable for a greeting RAN “greeting_RAN_gv,” or name a call variable for caller-entered data “caller_data_cv.”

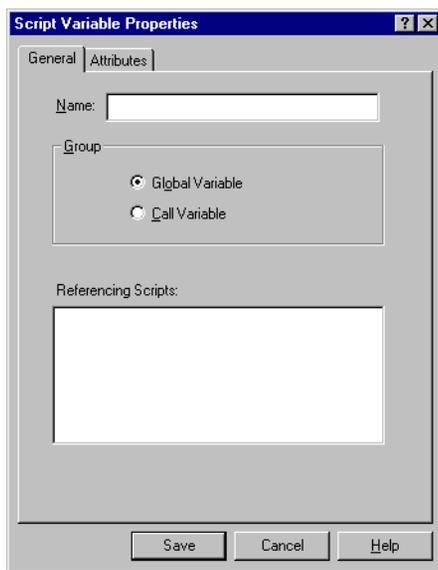
To add variables

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Script Variables.

Result: The Script Variables window appears.

- 2 Choose File → New.

Result: The Script Variable Properties window appears.



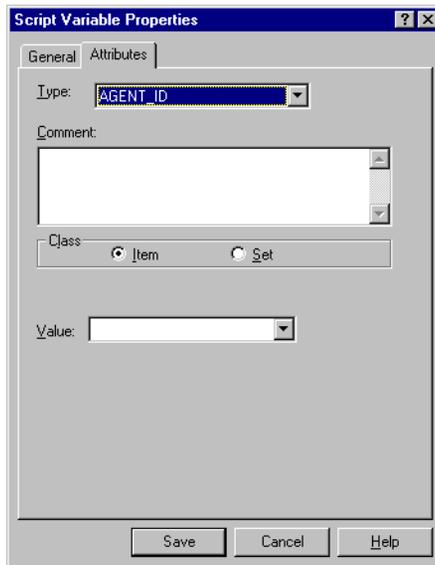
- 3 On the General property page, enter information in the following fields:

Name: Enter the name of the variable. For information about naming variables, see “Naming script variables” on page 92.

Group: Select Global Variable or Call Variable.

For more information about global and call variables, see “What are global variables?” on page 84, and “What are call variables?” on page 85.

- 4 Click the Attributes tab.



- 5 Enter information in the following fields:

Type: The data type of the variable. For more information, see “Types of variables” on page 90.

Comment: A description of the variable.

Class: Whether the variable has a single value (Item) or a set of values (Set).

- 6 Choose one of the following actions:

- a. To assign a single value to the variable, see “To assign single values” on page 95.
- b. To assign more than one value to the variable (that is, a set), see “To assign a set of values” on page 96.
- c. To assign a range of values to the variable (that is, a set), see “To assign a range of values” on page 97.

Assigning values to variables

Introduction

Item class variables can have only a single value. Set class variables can have a set of values (for example, assign several agent IDs to a variable), or a range of values. For example, assign a range of days (Monday to Friday) to a Set class variable.

To assign single values

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Script Variables.

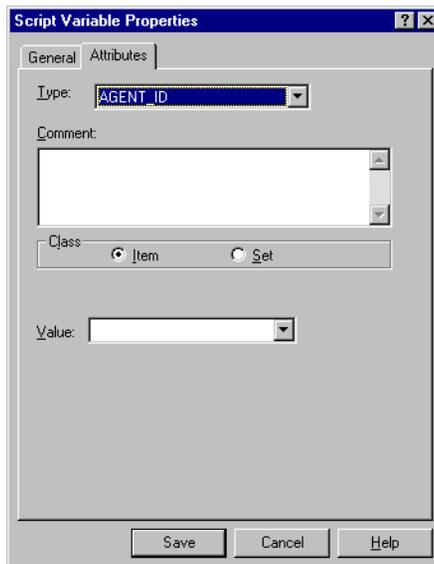
Result: The Script Variables window appears.

- 2 Select the script variable to which you want to assign a value. For this example, you are adding a value to the variable skillset_A.

- 3 Choose File → Properties.

Result: The Script Variable Properties window appears.

- 4 Click the Attributes tab.



- 5 For Class, select Item if it is not already selected.
- 6 In the Value box, type or select the value you want to assign to the variable.
- 7 Click Save.

To assign a set of values

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Script Variables.

Result: The Script Variables window appears.

- 2 Select the script variable to which you want to assign a set of values. For this example, assign two agents (Harfrey Ng and Ed Simpson) to an agent ID variable.

- 3 Choose File → Properties.

Result: The Script Variables Properties window appears.

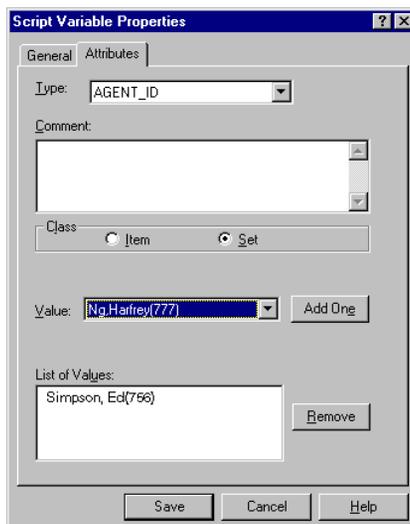
- 4 Click the Attributes tab.

- 5 For Class, select Set if it is not already selected.

- 6 In the Value box, type or select the values that you want to assign to the variable.

Note: You can include up to 60 items in the set.

- 7 Click Add One.

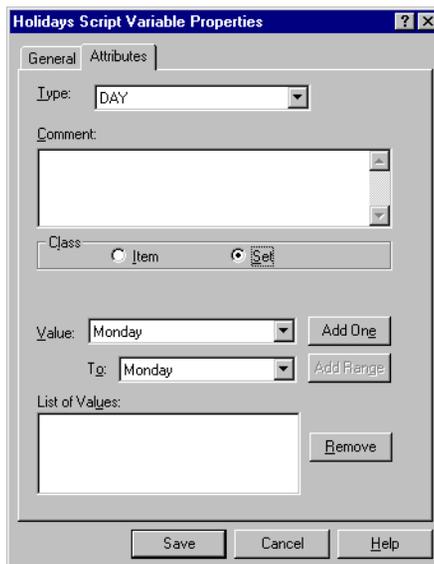


- 8 Repeat steps 6 and 7 for each value you want to include in the set.
- 9 Click Save.

To assign a range of values

If the class of a variable is Set, and the type is one of the following, you can assign a range of values to the variable:

- Day
 - Day of Month
 - Month
- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Script Variables.
Result: The Script Variables window appears.
 - 2 Select the script variable to which you want to assign a range of values. For this example, assign a range of values (Monday to Friday) to the variable `business_days`.
 - 3 Choose File → Properties.
Result: The Script Variable Properties window appears.
 - 4 Click the Attributes tab.



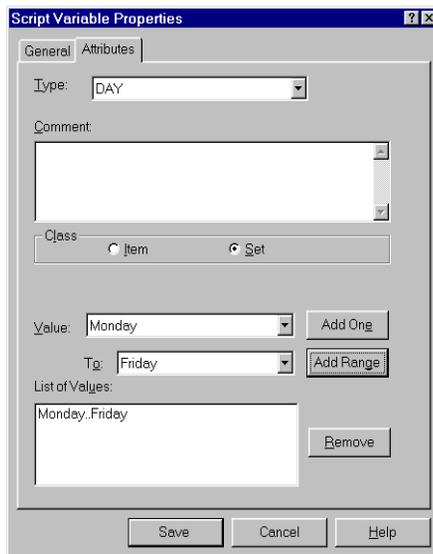
5 In the Value box, type or select the beginning of the range.

6 In the To box, select the end of the range.

Note: The To box appears only if the variable class is set to Set, and the type is Day, Day of Month, or Month.

7 Click Add One or Add Range.

Note: These buttons appear only if the script variable class is set to Set and the type is Day, Day of Month, or Month, or if there is a predefined list of values from which to choose.



8 Click Save.

To remove values from sets

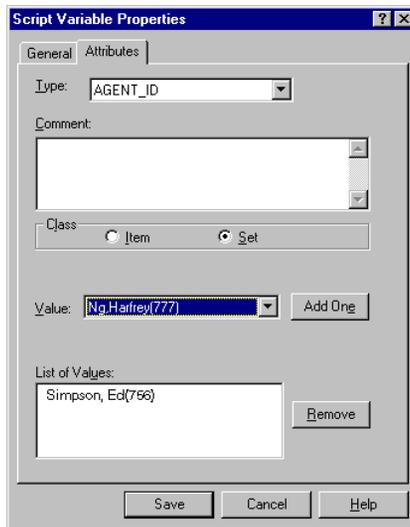
1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Script Variables.

Result: The Script Variables window appears.

2 Select the script variable from which you want to remove a value.

3 Choose File → Properties.

Result: The Script Variable Properties window appears.

4 Click the Attributes tab.**5** In the List of Values box, select the value that you want to remove.**6** Click Remove, and then click Save.

Checking variables for referencing scripts

Introduction

Follow this procedure to check whether a variable is referenced by any active scripts.

If a script variable is referenced by any active scripts, you cannot change its properties (except for the value), or rename or delete it.

To check for referencing scripts

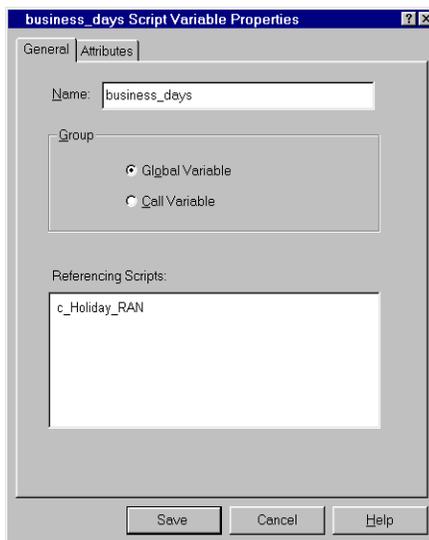
- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Script Variables.

Result: The Script Variable window appears.

- 2 Select the script variable that you want to check.

- 3 Choose File → Properties.

Result: The Script Variables Properties window appears.



The Referencing Scripts section lists the names of scripts that reference this variable.

- 4** If any activated scripts appear in the list, take one of the following actions:
 - a.** Deactivate the script. For more information, see "Activating and deactivating scripts" on page 137.
 - b.** Remove the reference to the variable from the referencing script.
- 5** Click Save to close the Script Variable Properties page.

Changing script variable properties

Introduction

Follow this procedure to change the properties of a script variable. You cannot change the class of a script variable, you can only change the value. For more information, see “Checking variables for referencing scripts” on page 100.

Note: You cannot change the variable name or group type. If you want to change the name or group type, you must delete the variable and create it again.

To change variable properties

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Script Variables.

Result: The Script Variables window appears.

- 2 Select the script variable that you want to change.

- 3 Choose File → Properties.

Result: The Script Variable Properties window appears.

- 4 Click the Attributes tab.

- 5 Change information in the following fields as necessary:

Comment: A description of the variable.

Class: Whether the variable has a single value (Item), or a set of values (Set).

Value: The new value of the variable.

List of Values: If you chose Set, enter the new list of values.

Note: You cannot change the variable type. If you want to change the type, you must delete the variable and create it again.

- 6 Click Save.

Deleting script variables

Introduction

Follow this procedure to remove a script variable from the system.

You cannot delete a script variable if it is referenced by any active scripts. For more information, see “Checking variables for referencing scripts” on page 100.

To delete variables

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Script Variables.
Result: The Script Variables window appears.
- 2 Select the script variable that you want to delete.
- 3 Choose File → Delete.
- 4 Click Yes to confirm that you want to delete the variable.

Chapter 5

Creating and administering scripts

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Overview

Section A, “Creating scripts,” explains how to

- create a new script
- use the Scripts Editor to edit an existing script
- add script elements to scripts
- copy sections between scripts, including the sample scripts that are provided with the Symposium Call Center Server Client software

Section B, “Importing and exporting scripts,” gives procedures to import and export scripts, including the sample scripts that are provided with the Symposium Call Center Server Client software.

Section C, “Administering scripts,” explains how to administer scripts. It gives procedures to

- validate scripts and resolve validation errors
- activate and deactivate scripts
- save changes to scripts
- rename scripts
- delete scripts

Section A: Creating scripts

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Creating new scripts

When to use

Follow the procedure in this section to add a new script to the system.

Before you begin

Before you begin to create scripts, Nortel Networks strongly recommends that you carefully read Chapter 1, “Getting started.” This chapter lists the system resources that must be set up before you can use your scripts. It also outlines the script planning process.

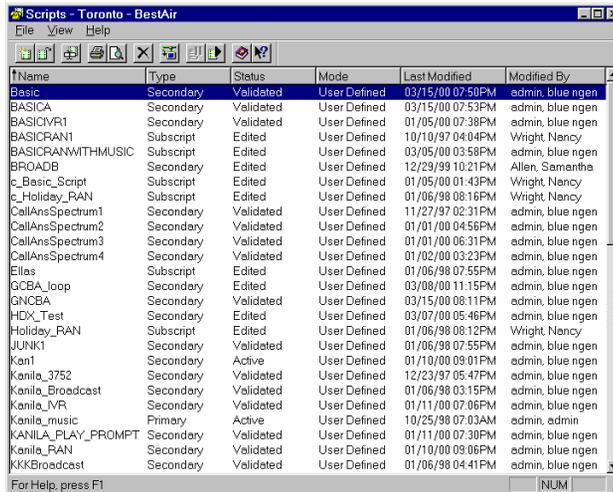
Script limits

Single scripts cannot exceed 50 000 characters. If you reach 50 000 characters in a single script, an error message appears.

To add new scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

Result: The Script Manager appears.

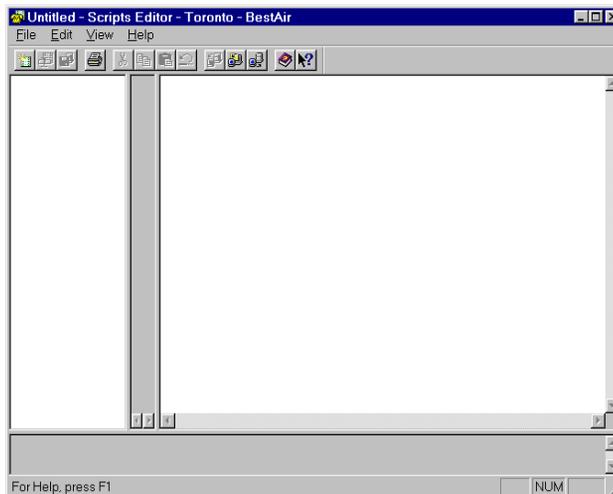


Name	Type	Status	Mode	Last Modified	Modified By
Basic	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	03/15/00 07:50PM	admin, blue ngen
BASICA	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	03/15/00 07:53PM	admin, blue ngen
BASICVR1	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/05/00 07:38PM	admin, blue ngen
BASICRAN1	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	10/10/97 04:04PM	Wright, Nancy
BASICRANWITHMUSIC	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	03/05/00 03:58PM	admin, blue ngen
BROADB	Secondary	Edited	User Defined	12/29/99 10:21PM	Allen, Samantha
c_Basic_Script	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	01/05/00 01:43PM	Wright, Nancy
c_Holiday_RAN	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	01/06/98 08:16PM	Wright, Nancy
CallAnsSpectrum1	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	11/27/97 02:31PM	admin, blue ngen
CallAnsSpectrum2	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/01/00 04:56PM	admin, blue ngen
CallAnsSpectrum3	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/01/00 06:31PM	admin, blue ngen
CallAnsSpectrum4	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/02/00 03:23PM	admin, blue ngen
Elias	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	01/06/98 07:55PM	admin, blue ngen
GCSBA_Loop	Secondary	Edited	User Defined	03/08/00 11:15PM	admin, blue ngen
GNCBA	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	03/15/00 05:11PM	admin, blue ngen
HDX_Test	Secondary	Edited	User Defined	03/07/00 05:46PM	admin, blue ngen
Holiday_RAN	Subscript	Edited	User Defined	01/06/98 08:12PM	Wright, Nancy
JUNK1	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/06/98 07:55PM	admin, blue ngen
Kan1	Secondary	Active	User Defined	01/10/00 09:01PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_3752	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	12/23/97 05:47PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_Broadcast	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/06/98 03:15PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_IVR	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/11/00 07:06PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_music	Primary	Active	User Defined	10/25/98 07:03AM	admin, admin
KANILA_PLAY_PROMPT	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/11/00 07:30PM	admin, blue ngen
Kanila_RAN	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/10/00 09:06PM	admin, blue ngen
KKKBroadcast	Secondary	Validated	User Defined	01/06/98 04:41PM	admin, blue ngen

For Help, press F1

- 2 Choose File → New.

Result: The Scripts Editor appears.



- 3 Enter the text of the new script.

You can add commands, variables, intrinsics, and so on manually, or you can use the Script Command Reference panel. For more information, see “Adding script elements to scripts” on page 111.

- 4 Choose File → Save.

- 5 Click OK.

- 6 For Name, type the name of the new script.

Note: Script names are not case-sensitive; however, the first character in each script name must not be a numeral. The name you assign to a new script must be unique. You cannot enter the name of an existing script. If the script is referenced from the Master script, the name given to the script becomes the application name, and it appears on Real-Time displays and historical reports. You must also consider customer requirements when viewing the applications. Does the customer want all relevant applications for each department to appear together? If so, then the applications must be in alphabetical order.

- 7 Click OK.

Adding script elements to scripts

Introduction

Follow the procedure in this section to insert script elements from the Script Command Reference panel into a script. The Script Command Reference panel provides a list of all the available script elements. You can select an element from the list and insert it into your script.

Note: You can type commands into your scripts manually, but if you use the Script Command Reference panel, all parameters that you have to replace are automatically inserted as well. This can help to reduce errors in your scripts.

Script elements

You can insert all of the following types of script elements from the Script Command Reference panel.

Commands

Basic commands include basic call processing elements general elements. For more information about these commands, see Chapter 6, “Basic script commands.”

Advanced

Advanced commands include basic call processing elements and host connectivity elements. For more information about these commands, see Chapter 7, “Advanced script commands.”

ATTENTION

Advanced commands are keycoded options. If you insert an advanced command into your script without purchasing these options, the script does not validate.

Intrinsics

Intrinsics include skillset, time, traffic, and call intrinsics. For more information about intrinsics, see Chapter 9, “Intrinsics.”

Variables

Variables include global variables and call variables. For more information, see Chapter 4, “Working with script variables.”

Events

Events are unsolicited events or failed responses that you can instruct the Event Handler to check for. For more information, see “Event Handler” on page 203.

Operators

Operators include logical, mathematical, and relational operators. For more information, see Chapter 10, “Script expressions.”

To add elements to scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

Result: The Script Manager appears.

- 2 Double-click the script to which you want to add an element.

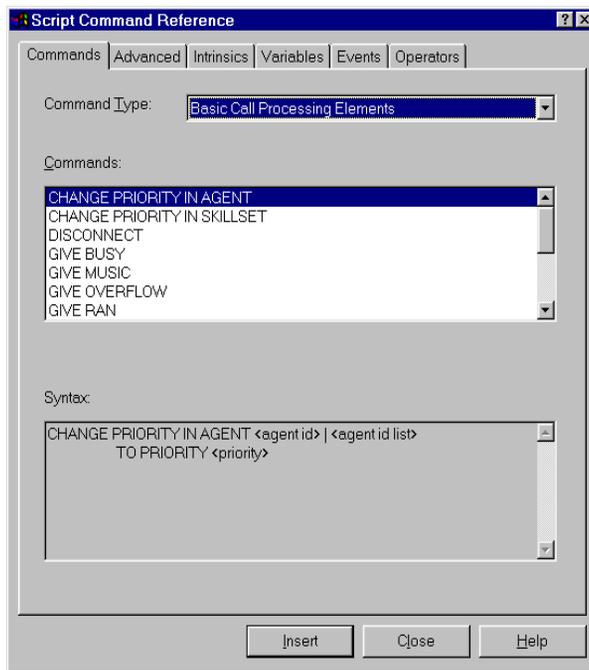
Result: The Scripts Editor appears. The left section of the window shows the selected script and its subscripsts in the tree view. The middle section of the window shows the line numbers of the currently selected script. The right section shows the text of the currently selected script. The bottom section of the window shows the errors that occurred during validation of the selected script.

Tip: Open the Master script to see a view of all referenced scripts.

- 3 Position the cursor at the point where you want to insert the element.

4 Choose View → Script Commands.

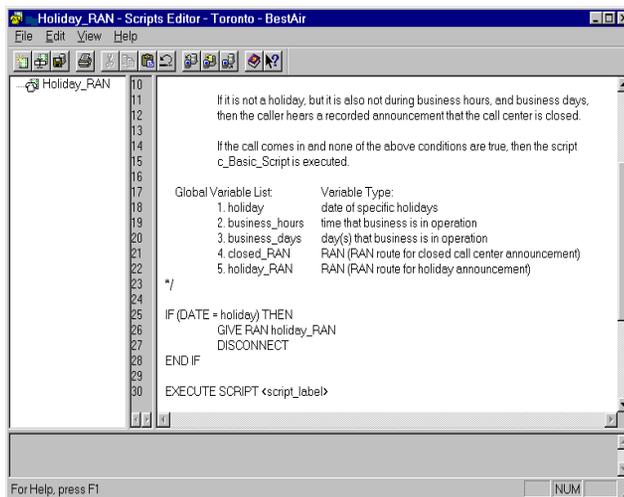
Result: The Script Command Reference window appears.



- 5 Click the property page of the element type that you want to insert. In this example, you want to add the Change Priority in Agent command, so you display the Commands page.
- 6 Select the Command type from the drop-down list. For the Execute Script command example, select Basic Call Processing Elements.
- 7 Select the element that you want to insert in the script.

8 Click Insert.

Result: The element appears in the script.



- 9** Edit the script for the new command. For example, to edit the script for the new Execute Script command, replace the parameter <script_label> with the name of the script you want to execute.
- 10** Repeat step 5 to step 9 for each element that you want to insert.
- 11** When you are finished, click Close.

Copying text into scripts

Introduction

You do not have to retype a section of script text that already exists. Instead, you can copy the text from one script and paste it into another. Similarly, you can copy text from a text document into your script.

Tip: Nortel Networks recommends that you do not make changes directly to scripts in the Scripts Editor. Instead, copy the text of the script, paste it into Notepad, and make your changes in Notepad. This prevents loss of data should an error occur on the server before you can save your changes.

Copying from sample scripts

You can copy parts of the sample scripts that are provided with the Symposium Call Center Server client software into your own script. To do so, import the script that you want to use. For instructions, see “Importing scripts into Symposium Call Center Server” on page 124. Once you have imported the script, follow the procedure, “To copy sections between scripts,” on page 117 to copy a script, or sections of a script, into your own script.

Example

Nancy Wright writes scripts for BestAir Airlines. To create a new script, she does not need to type the entire script manually. Instead, she copies the text of a sample script, `c_Basic`. This is the text of `c_Basic`:

```
IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekends_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

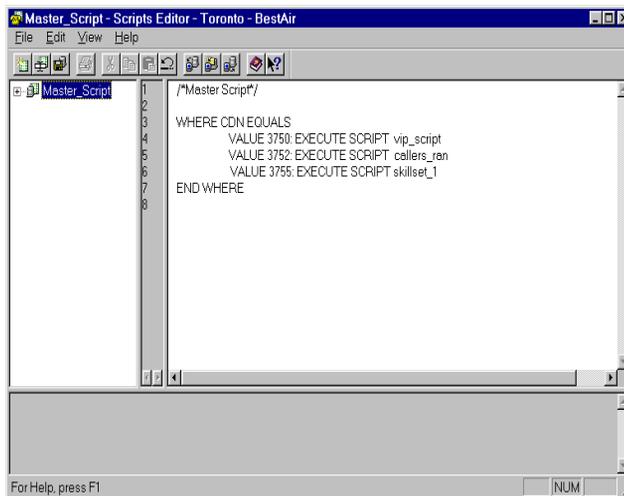
QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is available */
GIVE RAN first_ran

SECTION WaitLoop
    GIVE MUSIC music_route
    WAIT treatment_timer_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
            GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
            DISCONNECT
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
            WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is available
*/
            END IF
        END IF
        GIVE RAN second_ran
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

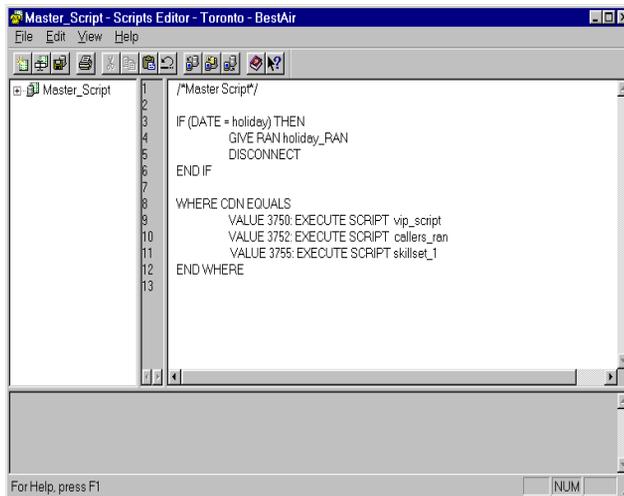
Nancy imports this script, and then copies the text into her own script. Finally, she replaces the variables and parameters with BestAir's system information.

To copy sections between scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.
Result: The Script Manager appears.
- 2 Double-click the script from which you want to copy.
Result: The Scripts Editor appears.
- 3 Select the section of the script you want to copy.
- 4 If you want to permanently remove the section from the script, choose Edit → Cut. Otherwise, choose Edit → Copy.
- 5 Choose File → Close to close the script.
- 6 In the Script Manager, double-click the script into which you want to copy the text.



- 7 Place the cursor where you want to insert the copied text.

8 Choose Edit → Paste.

Result: The text is pasted into the script.

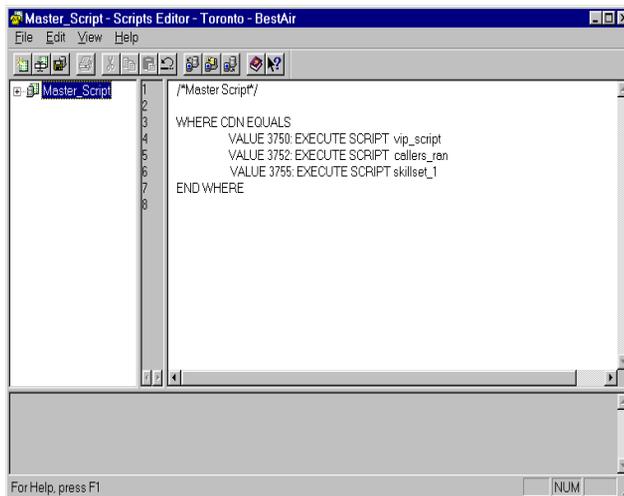
9 Choose File → Save to save your changes.**To copy text from other applications**

- 1 Open the document that contains the text that you want to copy.
- 2 Select the text that you want to copy.
- 3 If you want to permanently remove the section from the document, choose Edit → Cut. Otherwise, choose Edit → Copy.
- 4 Close or minimize the application.
- 5 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

Result: The Script Manager appears.

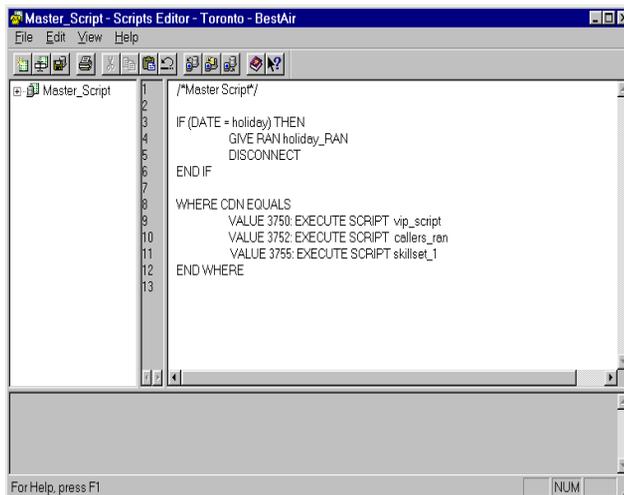
- 6 Double-click the script into which you want to copy the text.

Result: The Scripts Editor appears.



- 7 Place the cursor where you want to insert the copied text.

- 8 Choose Edit → Paste.



Result: The text is pasted into the script.

- 9 Choose File → Save to save your changes.

Saving changes to scripts

Saving changes to an activated script

You can make changes to a script while it is activated. You can then choose to either activate the script with the changes immediately, or save the script without putting the changes into service right away. There are two ways to save a script that is currently activated:

- If you want to put the script into service immediately after making any changes to it, activate the script.
- If you do not want to put the script into service immediately after making changes to it, save the script using a different name.

Note: When a change to a script is activated (under the existing name of the script), calls in progress are processed using the old version of the script, and new calls are processed using the new version of the script.

If the activation fails (due to a compilation error), the change to the script is not saved. New calls still use the old version of the script.

To save changes to scripts

- 1 If the script to which you want to save changes is not already open, from the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.
Result: The Script Manager appears. If the script to which you want to save changes is already open, skip to step 3.
- 2 Double-click the script name in the Script Manager.
Result: The Scripts Editor appears.
- 3 Edit the script as necessary.
- 4 Choose one of the following actions:
 - a. To save the script using the current name, choose File → Save, then go to step 7.
 - b. If the script is active and you want to use the new version of the script immediately, choose File → Activate.

- c.** To save the script using a new name, choose File → Save As.
- 5** Click OK to confirm that you want to save the script.
- 6** For Name, type the new name of the script.
- 7** Click OK.

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Importing scripts into Symposium Call Center Server

Import command

Use the Import command to copy an existing script from your local hard drive, a network drive, or a floppy disk into the current script. This command adds the text of the imported script to any text in the current script.

Note: You cannot import a script that was created in another application, such as Notepad. However, if you create a text document that you want to use as a script, you can copy the text into a script in the Scripts Editor. For more information, see “To copy text from other applications” on page 118.

Importing sample scripts

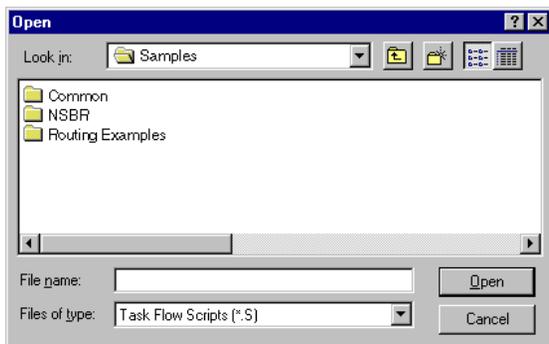
To use the sample scripts that come with the Symposium Call Center Server client software, you must first import them. To do so, follow the procedure below.

To import scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.
Result: The Script Manager appears.
- 2 Double-click the script into which you want to import another script. (Choose File → New if you want to import the script into a new script.)
Result: The Scripts Editor appears.

3 Choose File → Import.

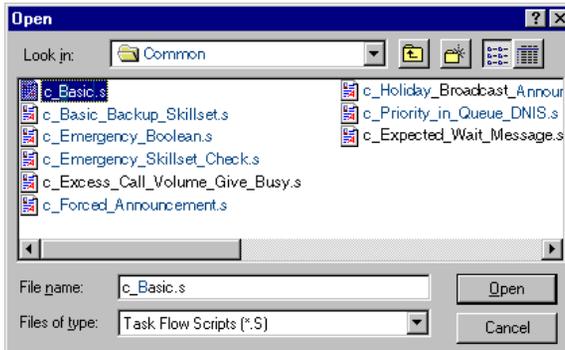
Result: A dialog box appears prompting you for the location of the script you want to import.



4 Navigate to the file that you want to import. Sample scripts are in the C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\Client\en\script\sample directory. The samples directory contains two subdirectories. For this example, choose the common directory.

5 Select the file that you want to import.

Result: The name of the file appears in the File name box.



6 Click Open to import the script.

Result: The text of the imported file appends to any text that was in the Scripts Editor.

7 Modify the imported script as necessary.

Note: The script that you import might contain references to variables. Variables are not imported with the script. You must define the variables on your system. For details, see “Creating script variables” on page 92.

Exporting scripts to a remote location

Export command

The Export command outputs the script you currently have open into a file on your local hard drive, or to a disk, with the file extension `.s`.

ATTENTION

If there is already a script in this location with the same name as the exported script, then the exported script overwrites it.

To export a script to a new file

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

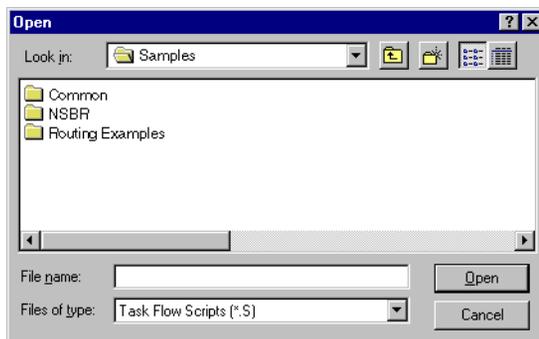
Result: The Script Manager appears.

- 2 Double-click the file that you want to export.

Result: The Scripts Editor appears.

- 3 Choose File → Export.

Result: A dialog box appears prompting you for the location where you want to export the script.



- 4 For File name, type the name of the new script file.

- 5 Click Save.

Result: A copy of the script is placed in the location you specified.

To export a script to an existing file

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

Result: The Script Manager appears.

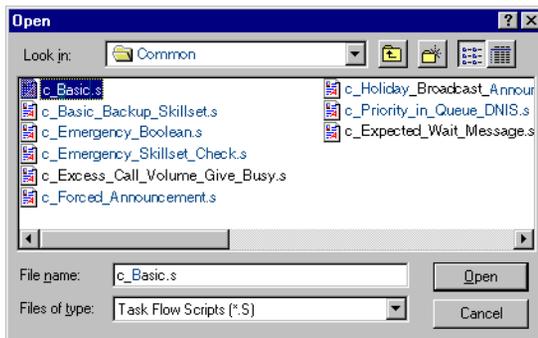
- 2 Double-click the file that you want to export.

Result: The Scripts Editor appears.

- 3 Choose File → Export.

Result: A dialog box appears prompting you for the location where you want to export the script.

- 4 Navigate to the file you want to overwrite.



- 5 Click Save.

- 6 Click OK to confirm that you want to replace the existing file.

Export All command

The Export All command is similar to the Export command, but in addition to saving the current script, it saves all its subscripts. The scripts are saved to the path C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\Client\en\script\sample.



CAUTION

Risk of data loss

If there are already scripts in this location with the same names as the exported scripts, the exported script overwrites them.

To export the current script and all of its subscripts to a new file

- 1 From the system window, choose Call Center Management → Call Flow Administration → Scripts.
- 2 Choose File → Export All.

Result: The current script and all of its subscripts are exported to the C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\Client\en\script\sample directory.

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Validating scripts

Introduction

Follow the procedure in this section to validate a script. If you want to save a script without validating it (for example, you plan to continue working on it later), see “Saving changes to scripts” on page 120.

What is script validation?

Before a script is put into service or “activated,” it must be checked to ensure that the syntax and semantics are correct. This process is called validation. If the script does not contain any errors, validation results in an executable version of the script. If the script contains errors, validation results in a list of those errors and the corresponding lines of the script where the errors occurred.

If you create a new script or modify an existing non-active script, you must validate the script manually before it can be activated. If you are working with an active script, you must save any changes by activating the new version of the script. The activation process validates the script automatically.

Note: The system attempts to activate all referenced scripts when a script is activated. However, the referenced scripts are *not* validated automatically. You must validate each referenced script separately before you activate the script.

To validate scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.
Result: The Script Manager appears.
- 2 Double-click the script that you want to validate.
Result: The Scripts Editor appears.
- 3 Choose Edit → Validate.
- 4 Click OK to begin the validation process.

- 5 If you have not saved this script, the server prompts you to save it now. Enter a name for the script, and then click OK.

Result: The results of the validation process appear in the lower pane of the Script Manager window.

- 6 If the script does not contain any errors, a message appears telling you that the operation was successfully completed. You can now activate the script. For more information, see "Activating and deactivating scripts" on page 137.

If the script contains errors, you must correct them before you can activate it. For more information, see "Resolving validation errors" on page 134.

Resolving validation errors

Introduction

Follow the procedure in this section to resolve errors that can result when you validate a script. The Scripts Editor lists the errors with the number of the line on which the errors occurred. Once a script is free of errors, you can activate it.

Note: You can save a script without validating it. However, you cannot activate it if it has not validated successfully.

To resolve validation errors

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.
Result: The Script Manager appears.
- 2 Double-click the script that you want to validate.
Result: The Scripts Editor appears.
- 3 Choose Edit → Validate.
- 4 Click OK to begin the validation process.
- 5 If you have not saved this script, the server prompts you to save it now. Enter a name for the script, and then click OK.
- 6 Review any errors that appear in the bottom section of the screen. For information about the errors and what they mean, see “List of validation errors” on page 392.
- 7 Make the required corrections to the lines of the script that appear in the error messages.
- 8 Choose Edit → Validate.
- 9 Continue to correct the errors and revalidate the script until no further errors appear.

To interpret script error messages

If you try to validate the following section of script text,

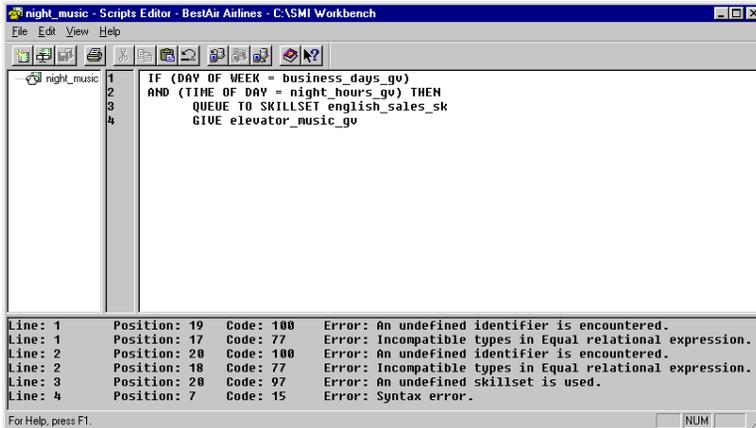
```
IF (DAY OF WEEK = business_days_gv)
```

```

AND(TIME OF DAY = night_hours_gv) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET english_sales_sk
    GIVE elevator_music_gv

```

the following errors appear:



To correct these errors, you need to do the following tasks:

- Define the skillset “english_sales_sk” in the Skillset window.
- Complete the Give command by adding the word “Music.”

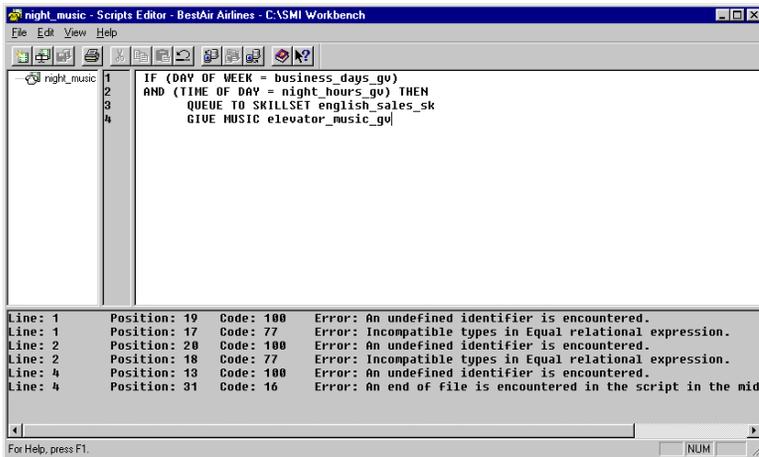
This is how the script looks now:

```

IF (DAY OF WEEK = business_days_gv)
AND (TIME OF DAY = night_hours_gv) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET english_sales_sk
    GIVE MUSIC elevator_music_gv

```

If you try to validate the script, the following errors appear:



To correct these errors, do the following actions:

- Define the variables “business_days_gv,” “night_hours_gv,” and “elevator_music_gv” in the Script Variables window.
- Complete the If-Then-End If command by adding “End If” to the script.

This is how the script looks now:

```

IF (DAY OF WEEK = business_days_gv)
AND (TIME OF DAY = night_hours_gv) THEN
  QUEUE TO SKILLSET english_sales_sk
  WAIT 2
  GIVE MUSIC elevator_music_gv
END IF

```

If you validate the script again, the request is successful—there are no more errors.

For a list of validation errors and what they mean, see “List of validation errors” on page 392.

Activating and deactivating scripts

Introduction

Follow the procedures in this section to activate or deactivate your scripts.

What is script activation?

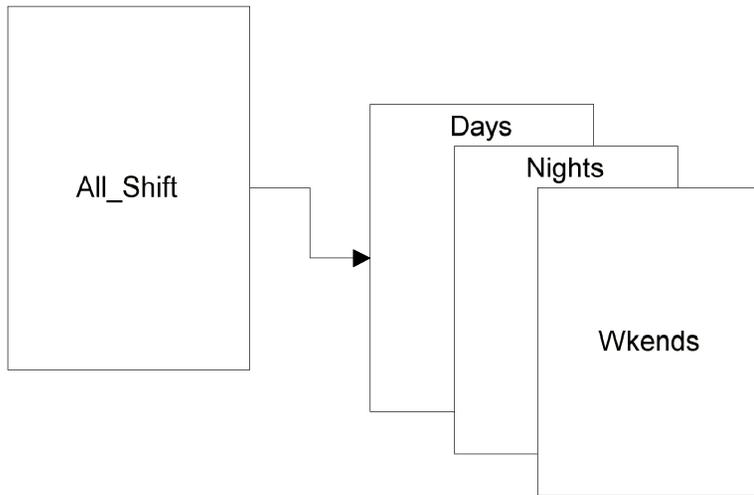
An activated script is a script that is processing calls or is in an active state ready to process calls.

If you create a new script or modify an existing non-active script, you must validate the script manually before it can be activated. If you are working with an active script, you must save any changes by activating the new version of the script. The activation process validates the script automatically.

Note: The system attempts to activate all referenced scripts when a script is activated. However, the referenced scripts are *not* validated automatically. You must validate each referenced script separately before you activate the script.

Example

One of BestAir's scripts, the All_Shift script, references the Days, Nights, and Wkends scripts. The All_Shift script is the primary script, and the others are secondary scripts. Chris Harris, BestAir's system administrator, must validate the secondary scripts before she can activate the primary script.



What is a deactivated script?

A deactivated script is a script that does not process any new calls. If any calls are already in the system using the script when you deactivate it, the script remains active for those calls until they are completed.

You can deactivate a script only if it is not referenced by any other active scripts.

Note: You cannot deactivate the Master script. However, you can change the contents and activate the new version.

To activate scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

Result: The Script Manager appears.

- 2 Choose one of the following options:
 - a. Select the script that you want to activate.
 - b. To activate the script in the Scripts Editor, double-click the name of the script.

3 Choose File → Activate.

Result: If the script has not been validated before this point, the validation process begins. Otherwise, the script is activated immediately.

Notes:

- If a script is activated but is not referenced by the Master script (directly, or indirectly through other scripts), then it does not process any calls.
- Nortel Networks recommends that you do not activate scripts during busy call center periods.
- Activation of scripts can cause the call center to go into default mode. This is because script activation has a high impact on the server and can cause Task Flow Execution to become too slow. Running reports can also cause the same problem. Task Flow Execution has enough time to process calls simultaneously with Script Activation based on the following conditions:
 - the amount of real time available to Task Flow Execution when all other activity in the call center is taken into consideration
 - the length and complexity of the script
 - whether it is the Master script, as it then looks at all the scripts attached to it and their complexity
- Scripts that use a lot of resources, such as If-Then-Else statements, nested commands, skillsets, and so on, can take a long time to validate. This problem can also be caused by only validating a script, because this validation also runs on the server. While delays are less likely to occur during validation than activation, it is still important to avoid validation during busy hours.
- To avoid having to reactivate the Master_Script when writing test scripts, keep a test CDN and a Test Primary Script activated at all times. Then, only edit and change the Test Primary Script, not the Master_Script. You can also use other secondary test scripts. However, it is still advisable to make changes outside busy hours.

To deactivate scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

Result: The Script Manager appears.

- 2 Choose one of the following options:

- a. Select the script that you want to deactivate.
 - b. To deactivate the script in the Scripts Editor, double-click the name of the script.
- 3 Choose File → Deactivate.

Notes:

- a. You cannot deactivate a script if it is referenced by another active script. You must first either deactivate the referencing script or remove the reference.
- b. To deactivate scripts that have circular dependencies, see “Deactivating scripts with circular dependencies” on page 141.

Deactivating scripts with circular dependencies

Introduction

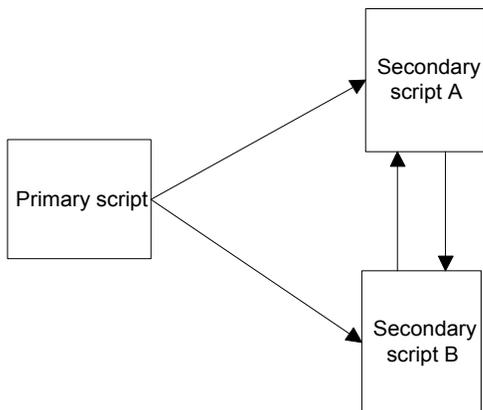
This section provides a procedure to deactivate scripts with circular dependencies by first breaking the dependencies.

What are circular dependencies?

When two scripts reference each other (directly or indirectly through other scripts), they have a circular dependency. Symposium Call Center Server allows circular dependencies (with the exception that a script cannot reference itself directly), but they are not recommended. Since you cannot deactivate a script if it is referenced by another active script, you have to break the dependency first.

Example

The following illustration shows how a circular dependency is created when two scripts reference each other:



For example, if you want to deactivate secondary script A, you must first delete the reference to secondary script A from the primary script and from secondary script B. Then secondary script A can be deactivated.

To deactivate circular-dependent scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.
Result: The Script Manager appears.
- 2 Select a script that references the script you want to deactivate. In the example shown on page 141, this is either the primary script or secondary script B.
- 3 Double-click the script name.
Result: The Scripts Editor appears.
- 4 Remove the Execute Script command that causes the circular dependency.
- 5 Validate and activate this new version of the script.
- 6 Repeat steps 2 to 5 for each script that references the script you want to deactivate.

When all of the referencing scripts are changed, the circular dependency is broken.

- 7 You can now deactivate the script that is no longer referenced by the script in step 1.

When calls are still active in the system, you may have to wait until active calls are complete before the system allows the deactivation of the referenced scripts.

Renaming scripts

Introduction

You can rename a script in either the Script Manager or the Scripts Editor. Symposium Call Center Server does not create a copy of the existing script with the old name. Ensure that you meet the following requirements when you rename a script:

- Deactivate the script. For more information, see “To deactivate scripts” on page 139.
- Give the script a unique name. You cannot enter the name of an existing script. Spaces are not allowed.

To rename scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

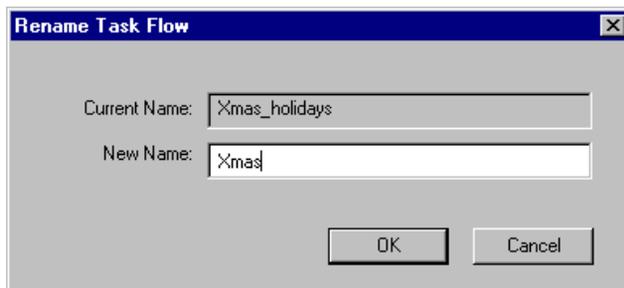
Result: The Script Manager appears.

- 2 Choose one of the following options:

- a. To rename the script in the Script Manager, select the script you want to rename.

Choose File → Rename.

Result: The Rename Task Flow window appears, prompting you for the new name of the script.



Enter a new name for the script, and then click OK.

- b. To rename the script in the Scripts Editor, double-click the script you want to rename.

Choose File → Rename.

Result: A dialog box appears prompting you to confirm the renaming of the script.



Click OK.

Result: The Rename Task Flow window appears prompting you for the new name of the script.

Enter a new name for the script, and then click OK.

Note: The new name you assign to the script must be unique. You cannot enter the name of an existing script.

Deleting scripts

When to use

Follow the procedure in this section to remove a script from the system.

Before you begin

Ensure that the script is deactivated before it is removed from the system. For more information, see “Activating and deactivating scripts” on page 137.

To delete scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

Result: The Script Manager appears.

- 2 Select the script that you want to delete.
- 3 Choose File → Delete.
- 4 Click OK to confirm the deletion of the script.

Note: When you delete a script, you do not delete any of its referenced variables. If no other scripts use the variables, delete them. For more information, see “Deleting script variables” on page 103.

Dereferencing/Deleting Scripts

You may not be able to dereference scripts if the Master script is modified during busy time.

Chapter 6

Basic script commands

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Overview

This chapter describes the basic script commands to which all Symposium Call Center Server systems have access. It shows how to write the commands in your scripts (script syntax), along with the parameters and optional segments that make up the commands.

Section A, “Basic general commands,” describes the general commands that you can use in your scripts. These include commands such as If-Then-Else-End If, Execute, and Quit.

Section B, “Basic call processing commands,” describes the basic call processing commands that you can use in your scripts. These include commands such as Disconnect, Give Ringback, Queue To Agent, and Route Call.

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Assign To

Introduction

Use the Assign To command in your scripts to assign values to call variables. For more information about call variables, see Chapter 4, “Working with script variables.”

Script syntax

```
ASSIGN <value> TO <variable>
```

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<variable>** The name of the call variable to which you want to assign a value during the execution of the script. You can only use call variables of type Item.
- **<value>** The value that you want to assign to the call variable. Replace this parameter with an item or an expression.

Example 1

The following command assigns a value of 10 to the variable int_var:

```
ASSIGN 10 TO int_var
```

Example 2

The following example assigns the value of the total number of active calls, divided by the call rate, plus 10 to the variable int_var:

```
ASSIGN (TOTAL ACTIVE CALLS / CALL RATE) + 10 TO int_var
```

Example 3

The following example allows the section “Loop” to repeat three time:

```
ASSIGN 0 TO counter_cv
SECTION Loop
    WAIT 30
    GIVE RAN all_agents_busy_ran_gv
    IF (counter_cv = 3) THEN
        EXECUTE SCRIPT Finished
    END IF
    ASSIGN counter_cv + 1 TO counter_cv
EXECUTE Loop
```

Execute

Introduction

Use the Execute command to branch to a section in the same script.

After the execution of the specific section, the execution of the script continues to the end of the script or until it encounters a Quit command. It does not return to the section of the script from which it was executed.

Script syntax

```
EXECUTE <section_label>
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<section_label>** The name of the section that you want to execute.

Example

In the following example, if the number of calls queued to the sales skillset exceeds 20, the section named “Estimate_wait_section” is executed. Otherwise, the caller hears music until the call is answered:

```
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT sales_sk > 20) THEN
    EXECUTE Estimate_Wait_Section
ELSE
    GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
    QUIT
END IF
SECTION Estimate_Wait_Section
...
```

Execute Script

Introduction

Use the Execute Script command to branch from one script to another.

Note: The call branches to the referenced script, and does not return at the end of the referenced script.

Script syntax

```
EXECUTE SCRIPT <Script_Name>
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<Script_Name>** The name of the script that you want to execute.

Example

In the following example, the Execute Script command is used to run different scripts depending on the day and time that a call comes in to the call center:

```
IF (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE SCRIPT Script_B
END IF

IF (DAY OF WEEK = business_days_gv)
AND (TIME OF DAY = business_hours_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE SCRIPT Script_C
END IF
```

If-Then-End If

Introduction

Use the If-Then-End If command in conditional situations. If the specified condition is met, the Then statements are executed. Otherwise, the script skips to the next command.

An If-Then-End If command can have multiple statements between Then and End If.

An If command can appear within the Then or Else clause of another If command, and each If must have exactly one matching End If command.

Script syntax

```
IF <logical_condition> THEN <statements> END IF
```

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<logical_condition>** The condition for which you want the script to test.
- **<statements>** The action that you want the script to take if the condition is met.

Example

In the following example, callers whose CLID is included in the vip_list variable receive special treatment, including a recorded announcement, and are queued to the preferred customer skillset with high priority:

```
IF (CLID = vip_list_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN special_callers_ran_gv
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET preferred_cust_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
    WAIT 2
```

```
GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv  
END IF
```

If-Then-Else-End If

Introduction

Use the If-Then-Else-End If command in conditional situations. If the specified condition is met, then the Then statements are executed. Otherwise, the script executes the Else statements.

An If-Then-Else-End If command can have multiple statements between Then and Else, as well as multiple statements between Else and End If.

An If command can appear within the Then or Else clause of another If command, and each If must have exactly one matching End If command.

Script syntax

```
IF <logical_condition> THEN <statement1> ELSE <statement2> END IF
```

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<logical_condition>** The condition for which you want the script to test.
- **<statement1>** The action that you want the script to take if the condition is met.
- **<statement2>** The action that you want the script to take if the condition is not met.

Example 1

The following script example checks the CLID of the caller. If the CLID is 905-863-3123, then the call is queued to the customer service skillset with a priority of 1. This caller also hears a special announcement. Otherwise, the call is queued with a priority of 3 and the caller hears a different announcement:

```
IF (CLID = 9058633123) THEN  
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET customer_service_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
```

```
    WAIT 2
    GIVE RAN special_ran_gv /* Special Greeting */
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET customer_service_sk WITH PRIORITY 3
    WAIT 2
    GIVE RAN alternate_ran_gv
END IF
GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv
```

Example 2

The following example shows how you can use an If-Then-End If command within an If-Then-Else-End If command. You must have an End If command for each If command:

Note: Each End If is associated with the nearest If command.

```
IF (CLID = vip_list_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Vips
ELSE
    IF (CLID = special_list_gv) THEN
        EXECUTE Special
    END IF
END IF
```

Quit

Introduction

This command is necessary only when the execution of a script must end while there are still commands left to execute in the script.

Note: Since the execution of a script stops automatically when there are no more commands left to execute, the Quit command is not usually needed at the end of a script.

Script syntax

QUIT

When to use

Use the Quit command to terminate further script execution.

This command does not disconnect the call. For example, if the call is already queued to a skillset, the caller remains queued and continues to receive whatever tones, silence, or music were specified for the call earlier in the script. Quit only terminates the script execution, not call processing.

Restriction

The Quit command cannot be the first command in a script.

Example

In the following example, the script checks whether the customer service skillset is out of service. If it is out of service, then the script jumps to the closed section. Otherwise, the script continues to queue the call to customer service with a priority of 1. After 2 seconds, the caller hears a recorded announcement, and then music. The Quit command after the Give Music command prevents the script from continuing on to the closed section:

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE customer_service_sk THEN
    EXECUTE Closed
END IF
QUEUE TO SKILLSET customer_service_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN sevice_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv
QUIT
SECTION Closed
    GIVE RAN closed_ran_gv
DISCONNECT
```

Section

Introduction

Use the Section command to define a section of commands. The execution of the script can jump to any section in the same script by using the Execute command.

Script syntax

```
SECTION <section_name>
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

<section_name> The name of the section.

Example

The following example uses a Section command in conjunction with an Execute command to create a simple loop. The call can be requeued to remove it from the loop.

```
SECTION Wait_Loop
    WAIT wait_delay_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        EXECUTE Requeue_Call
    END IF
    GIVE RAN please_wait_ran_gv
    EXECUTE Wait_Loop
SECTION Requeue_Call
    /* script continues here */
```

Wait

Introduction

Use the Wait command to suspend a script for a period of time before executing the next script command. Nortel Networks recommends that you execute a Wait command of at least 2 seconds after queuing a call to a skillset or an agent. This allows time for the call to be answered by the agent before the next call treatment begins.

You enter the Wait time in “seconds” format. If you enter a wait time of 0, the system resets the value to 2 seconds. All other values (including 1) do not receive special handling. The system uses timers when processing calls in a Wait state. Therefore, the Wait time is accurate to +/- 1 second.

For example, if you specify a Wait time of 5 seconds, the actual Wait time can be anywhere between 4 and 6 seconds.

Script syntax

```
WAIT <time_in_seconds>
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<time_in_seconds>** The amount of time, in seconds, that you want the script to pause.

Replace this parameter with a variable of type “seconds” or with a numerical constant.

Restriction

The Wait command cannot be the first command in a script.

Example

In the following example, calls are queued to the sales skillset. After a 2-second delay, callers hear a recorded announcement asking them to wait:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk  
WAIT 2  
GIVE RAN please_wait_ran_gv
```

READVAR and SAVEVAR

Introduction

Use the READVAR and SAVEVAR commands to enable a call to change the value of a variable and pass the updated value to other calls.

READVAR

READVAR takes an existing integer Call Variable as a parameter, and then reads the current value of the Call Variable from the Wild Variable table. If the value does not exist in the Wild Variable table, READVAR reads the value from the Call Variable table.

You must terminate a READVAR block by using a SAVEVAR command with limited commands allowed within the block.

SAVEVAR

SAVEVAR saves the current value of the Call Variable to the Wild Variables table.

You can only use the following commands between a READVAR and SAVEVAR block:

- ASSIGN
- LOG
- IF-THEN-ELSE-END IF

Script syntax - example 1

```
READVAR <integer_call_variable>  
        <optional statements>  
SAVEVAR
```

Script syntax - example 2

```
READVAR < integer_call_variable>
  IF < integer_call_variable> THEN
    ASSIGN xxxx TO < integer_call_variable>
  ELSE
    ASSIGN xxxx TO < integer_call_variable>
  END IF
SAVEVAR
```

Operational rules

The script compiler enforces the following operational rules:

- Parameter passed in to READVAR is valid.
- Commands within the block are permissible.

Example 1

In the following example, the global call variable sends every tenth caller to a survey or route call out to a service bureau, and so on:

```
READVAR wv_survey_cv
  IF wv_survey_cv < 10 THEN
    ASSIGN wv_survey_cv +1 TO wv_survey_cv
  ELSE
    ASSIGN 0 TO wv_survey_cv
  END IF
SAVEVAR

IF wv_survey_cv = 0 THEN
  ROUTE CALL survey_dn
ELSE
```

```
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET Sales
        WAIT 2
    END IF
```

Example 2

The following example illustrates simple load sharing across two sites by routing alternate calls to the another site. The first call queues locally. The next call routes to the other site, and the third call is queued locally, and so on:

```
IF wv_alternate_cv = 1 THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET Sales
    WAIT 2
ELSE
    ROUTE CALL other_site
END IF
```

Calls that enter a script where there is a READVAR, SAVEVAR block see the value set in the wild variable table only when the call itself actually enters the READVAR, SAVEVAR block. If you write the script such that the caller does not enter the block, the call then assumes the default value from the script variable as assigned in OAM, or the value assigned to it through the script commands.

Example 3

The following example shows how one call changes the value stored in the wild variable table, and other call reads that value and acts on it:

```
IF DNIS = emergency_act_number THEN /* Caller who sets the
emergency state */
    READVAR wild2_wv
        IF wild2_cv = 0 THEN
            ASSIGN 1 TO wild2_wv /* emergency
is activated */
        ELSE
```

```

                                ASSIGN 0 TO wild2_wv /* emergency
is deactivated */
                                END IF
                                SAVEVAR
END IF
/* All incoming callers hit this portion of the script to
check the variable state */
READVAR wild2_wv
SAVEVAR
IF wild2_wv = 1 THEN /* If emergency state is enabled */
    GIVE RAN emerg_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 2
QUIT
```

As can be seen from the preceding example, every caller checks the value of the wild variable to validate the emergency state. If the state is true, then the script plays the emergency RAN message and disconnects the call.

Example 4

If the caller enters the READVAR portion of the script, you cannot use the variable in any other form (for example, as a call variable) unless the script has an assign to statement, as shown in the following example:

```
IF DNIS = emergency_act_num THEN /* Caller who sets the
emergency state */
    READVAR wild2_wv
    IF wild2_wv = 0 THEN
        ASSIGN 1 TO wild2_wv /* emergency
is activated */
    ELSE
```

```
                                ASSIGN 0 TO wild2_wv /* emergency
is deactivated */
                                END IF
                                SAVEVAR
END IF
/* All incoming callers hit this portion of the script to
check the variable state */
READVAR wild2_wv
SAVEVAR
IF wild2_wv = 1 THEN /* If emergency state is enabled */
    GIVE RAN emerg_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
/* Tests the assign statement which overwrites the value of
the variable */
ASSIGN 8 TO wildvar2_wv /*random number selected
outside the wild variable table range for this variable */
WHERE wild2_wv EQUALS
VALUE 0 : ROUTE CALL 6900 /* check that the assign
statement has worked and the call doesn't route here even
when not in EMR state */
VALUE 1 : ROUTE CALL 6910 /* check that the assign
statement has worked and the call doesn't route here even
when in EMR state */
VALUE 8 : ROUTE CALL 6911 /* Call should be routed here
based on assign statement above */
END WHERE
```

As expected, when the emergency state is off, the caller encounters the IF statement. The variable assignment overwrites the wild variable table value for this call, and the caller is routed to DN 6911. When the caller with DNIS emergency_act_num dials in, the state is toggled and the subsequent caller then hears the emergency announcement before being disconnected.

Example 5

The following example shows a script section where the value of the variable is assigned within the script. Only this call will see the assigned value and cannot change the value for any other call entering this script:

```
ASSIGN 0 TO wild2_wv
SECTION WaitLoop
    WAIT 10
    /* call will only be given ran every third time
around the loop */
    IF wild2_wv < 3 THEN
        ASSIGN wild2_cv + 1 TO wild2_wv
    ELSE
        GIVE RAN second_ran
        ASSIGN 0 TO wild2_wv
    END IF
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

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Change Priority In Agent

Introduction

Use the Change Priority In Agent command to change the priority of a call that is queued to a specified agent.

You can use the Change Priority In Agent command only to change the priority of a call in an agent queue when the call was queued by the Queue To Agent command. You cannot use it to change the priority of a call that was queued using the Queue To Skillset command.

The Change Priority In Agent command applies only to local agents.

Script syntax

```
CHANGE PRIORITY IN AGENT [<agent_ID> | <agent_ID_list>] TO  
PRIORITY <priority>
```

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<agent_ID>** or **<agent_id_list>** The ID of the agent to whom the call is queued, or a list of IDs of agents to whom the call is queued.
- **<priority>** The new priority with which you want the call queued to the specified agent.

Restriction

The command cannot be the first command in a script.

Example

In the following example, a call is queued to an agent variable named “agent_1” (representing an agent named Joe Smith) with a priority of 5 when it first arrives. After 20 seconds, if the call is still unanswered, the priority is changed to 2, and after 60 seconds, the priority of the call is increased to 1.

Note: When you replace a specific agent with an agent variable, you do not have to modify your scripts if the agent leaves the call center and is replaced by another agent.

```
ASSIGN 5 TO priority_cv
QUEUE TO AGENT agent_1 WITH PRIORITY priority_cv
WAIT 5
SECTION Check_Age
    GIVE RAN agent_busy
    WAIT 20
    IF (AGE OF CALL > 120) THEN
        EXECUTE Too_Long
    ELSE
        IF (AGE OF CALL > 60) THEN
            IF (priority_cv <> 1) THEN
                ASSIGN 1 TO priority_cv
                CHANGE PRIORITY IN AGENT agent_1 TO
                PRIORITY priority_cv
            END IF
        ELSE
            IF (AGE OF CALL > 20) THEN
                IF (priority_cv <> 2) THEN
                    ASSIGN 2 TO priority_cv
                    CHANGE PRIORITY IN AGENT agent_1
                    TO PRIORITY priority_cv
```

```
                END IF
            END IF
        END IF
    END IF
EXECUTE Check_Age
```

Change Priority In Skillset

Introduction

Use the Change Priority In Skillset command to change the priority of a call in a skillset to which it is queued. The priority of the call is changed within all of the skillsets that are listed in the command. This applies only to local skillsets.

Script syntax

```
CHANGE PRIORITY IN SKILLSET [<skillset> | <skillset_list>] TO  
PRIORITY <priority>
```

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, to which the call is queued. You can also replace this parameter with an intrinsic returning a skillset or a skillset list.
- **<priority>** The new priority with which you want the call queued to the specified skillset.

Restriction

The Change Priority In Skillset command cannot be the first command in a script.

Example

In the following example, the call has been queued to the sales skillset. This section of the script tests the call's current position in the skillset queue. If it is more than 5, the priority is raised to priority 1 (unless it is already priority 1).

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk  
WAIT 2
```

```
IF (POSITION IN QUEUE sales_sk > 5)
AND (PRIORITY IN QUEUE sales_sk <> 1) THEN
    CHANGE PRIORITY IN SKILLSET sales_sk TO PRIORITY 1
END IF
```

Disconnect

Introduction

Use the Disconnect command to disconnect a call. The call can be disconnected at any time that it is in the CDN queue, except when it is being presented to, or has been answered by, an agent.

Script syntax

```
DISCONNECT
```

Restriction

Do not insert any commands after the Disconnect command.

Example

In the following example, calls coming in to the call center between August 10 and August 23 (represented by a variable named “august_holidays_gv”) receive a recorded announcement stating that the call center is closed. Then the call is disconnected:

```
IF (DATE = august_holidays_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN gone_fishing_ran_gv
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

Give Busy

Introduction

Use the Give Busy command to provide a busy tone to a call before it is disconnected by the switch. A call can receive a busy tone any time that it is in the CDN queue, except when it is being presented to, or has been answered by, an agent.

First treatment

This treatment must be the first treatment that the call receives; otherwise, for some trunk types, the call is not disconnected automatically by the switch after giving the busy tone. This can cause trunks to be left connected until the caller disconnects the call.

Since some statements give an automatic ringback tone, it is important to analyze the script very carefully to ensure that these commands are not executed before the Give Busy command. This ensures that the busy tone is always the first treatment given to the call. For more information about commands that automatically generate a Ringback treatment, see “Default treatments” on page 73.

Script syntax

```
GIVE BUSY
```

Example

In the following example, if the number of calls queued to the sales skillset is greater than three times the number of agents logged on to the sales skillset, then the caller hears a busy tone. Otherwise, the call is queued to the sales skillset.

```
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT sales_sk) > (LOGGED AGENT COUNT  
sales_sk * 3)THEN  
    GIVE BUSY
```

```
END IF
```

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
```

Give Music

Introduction

Use the Give Music command to play music from a specified music route. You can use the Give Music command to play music to a call when it is waiting in a queue.

Note: If you use a Give Music command in a script, you must include a parameter specified in the Audio table. Table AUDIO defines audio routes available for broadcast for ACD groups. For more information about the Audio table, see the *Symposium and DMS Switch Guide*.

Script syntax

```
GIVE MUSIC <music_route>
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<music_route>** The music route that contains the music you want played to the caller.
Replace this parameter with a variable of type “music,” or a numeric constant.

Restriction

Do not insert the Give Busy or Give Overflow command immediately after the Give Music command.

With the Wait command

Use a Wait command immediately after the Give Music command to control the duration of the music. If a call is given music followed by a Give RAN command, you must insert another Give Music command after the Give RAN. Otherwise, music will not automatically resume.

Music stops when another treatment or action with an unspecified time length is given (such as Give Ringback or Route Call). Music is suspended during presentation to an agent, and resumes if the call returns to the queue (if the agent does not answer).

Example

In the following example, a call is queued to the service skillset, and after a 2-second delay, the caller hears music until an agent becomes available to take the call. In this example, the music route is represented by a variable (pop_music):

```
QUEUE TO service_sk WITH PRIORITY 3
WAIT 2
GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
WAIT 30
```

Give Overflow

Introduction

Use the Give Overflow command to provide an overflow tone to a call before it is disconnected by the switch. The call can be given an overflow tone at any time that it is in the CDN queue, except when it is being presented to, or has been answered by, an agent.

Note: An overflow tone is a fast busy tone.

First treatment

This treatment must be the first treatment that the call receives; otherwise, for some trunk types, the call is not disconnected automatically by the switch after giving the busy tone. This can cause trunks to be left connected until the caller disconnects the call.

Since some statements give an automatic ringback tone, it is important to analyze the script very carefully to ensure that these commands are not executed before the Give Overflow command. This ensures that the busy tone is always the first treatment given to the call. For more information about commands that automatically generate a Ringback treatment, see “Default treatments” on page 73.

Script syntax

GIVE OVERFLOW

Example

In the following example, if the number of calls queued to the sales skillset is greater than the number of agents logged on to the sales skillset plus two, then the caller receives an overflow treatment. Otherwise, the call is queued to the sales skillset.

```
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT sales_sk) > (LOGGED AGENT COUNT
```

```
sales_sk + 2)THEN  
    GIVE OVERFLOW  
END IF  
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
```

Give RAN

Introduction

Use the Give RAN command to provide a recorded announcement (RAN) to a call through the specified RAN trunk.

The RAN is interrupted if an agent becomes available to take the call. Otherwise, the RAN is completed and the next command in the script is executed.

Note: If you use a Give Ran command in a script, you must include a parameter specified in the Audio table. Table AUDIO defines audio routes available for broadcast for ACD groups. For more information about the Audio table, see the *Symposium and DMS Switch Guide*.

Script syntax

```
GIVE RAN <ran_route>
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<ran_route>** The RAN route that contains the recorded announcement (RAN) that you want played to the caller.
Replace this parameter with a variable of type “RAN,” or with the route number.

Restriction

Do not insert the Give Busy or Give Overflow command immediately after the Give RAN command.

Automatic ringback

If Give RAN is the first treatment in the script, and there is a delay before the RAN is available, then the caller hears ringback until the announcement plays.

Example

In the following example, calls entering the call center between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. hear a recorded announcement telling them that the call center is closed:

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran_gv
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

Give Ringback

Introduction

Use the Give Ringback command to provide a ringback tone to a call (that is, to play a ringing sound to the caller).

You can use this command with the Wait command if you want to control the duration of the ringback tone. Use this command before a call is queued against one or more destinations (that is, to skillsets or agents). If a call is queued by the script without a specific treatment being given first, then ringback is automatically applied by Symposium Call Center Server (while the call is queued). For more information about which commands give an automatic ringback tone, see “Consider what the caller hears” on page 72.

Note: When the call is presented to an agent, the ringback tone is automatically provided by the switch.

Script syntax

```
GIVE RINGBACK
```

Restriction

Do not insert the Give Busy or Give Overflow command immediately after the Give Ringback command.

Example

In the following example, the caller hears a ringback tone if the call is being transferred:

```
IF TRANSFERRED THEN
    GIVE RINGBACK
    WAIT 6
    /* Allows time for the transferring party to complete
    the transfer */
END IF
```

Give Silence

Introduction

Use the Give Silence command to provide silence to a call. Give Silence is generally used to turn off either music or ringback. If a call is given music followed by a RAN, the music automatically resumes after the RAN or treatment is completed. Therefore, if you want silence after a RAN, use the Give Silence command.

This command cannot be the first treatment given to a call. Therefore, it is not allowed as the first command in a script.

ATTENTION

Give Silence can be the first treatment for a call even if it is not the first command in the script. This can happen, for example, if an If-Then-Else or Where-Equals command leads to a Give Silence. If this is the case, you receive an error, and the call is rejected and routed to the default ACD-DN of the CDN as described in “First command rule” on page 56.

Script syntax

```
GIVE SILENCE
```

Example

In the following example, calls are queued to the service skillset. The caller hears music for 30 seconds, and then hears silence. The Give Silence command prevents the music from resuming:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
WAIT 30
GIVE SILENCE
```

Queue To Agent

Introduction

Use the Queue To Agent command to deliver a call to a n agent. This command provides agent-based routing capability.

Script syntax:

By agent ID

```
QUEUE TO AGENT [<agent_id> | <agent_id_list>] { WITH PRIORITY  
<priority> }
```

Script syntax:

Using longest idle agent

```
QUEUE TO AGENT LONGEST IDLE AGENT [<skillset> | <skillset_list>]  
{ WITH PRIORITY <priority> }
```

Note: Only use Longest Idle Agent if you are sure that there is always an idle agent available. If there are no idle agents available, Symposium Call Center Server does not execute the Queue To Agent command.

Optional

The With Priority segment is optional in this command.

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<agent_id> or <agent_id_list>** The ID of the agent, or the list of agent IDs, to which you want the call queued.
- **<priority>** The priority with which you want the call queued to the specified agent.

- **<skillset> or <skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, from which the longest idle agent is taken.

Restriction

- Do not insert the Give Busy or Give Overflow command immediately after the Queue To Agent command.
- Use a Wait command with at least 2 seconds after a Queue To Agent command.

Longest Idle Agent intrinsic

If you include the Longest Idle Agent intrinsic, the agent who has been idle the longest from all of the skillsets listed is presented with the call. The criteria used to determine which agent is idle the longest is defined for all skillsets. The definition is either the amount of idle time since the last call taken by the agent, the total amount of idle time since the agent logged on, or the idle time since last status change.

With Priority option

You can specify the priority with which the call should be queued. You can assign a priority of 1 to 6, with 1 being the highest priority and 6 being the lowest. A call is assigned a priority of 6 by default. Calls with higher priorities are presented to the agents before calls with lower priorities.

Example 1

In the following example, a variable named “french_callers_gv” contains a list of CLIDs that identify some of BestAir’s French-speaking clients. When a call from a French-speaking client enters the call center, it is first queued to an agent (represented by the agent variable “agent_fr_5”). If the call is not answered, it is then queued to an agent (represented by the agent variable “agent_fr_8”) with a priority of 1. If the call is not answered within 4 seconds, it is queued to a skillset named “backup_french_sk” with a priority of 5:

```
IF (CLID = french_callers_gv) THEN
    QUEUE TO AGENT agent_fr_5, agent_fr_8 WITH PRIORITY 1
```

```
    WAIT 4
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_french_sk WITH PRIORITY 5
    WAIT 2
END IF
```

Example 2

In the following example, if the number of idle agents in both the sales skillset and the service skillset is greater than zero, the call is queued to the agent who has been idle for the longest amount of time in either the sales skillset or the service skillset:

```
IF (IDLE AGENT COUNT sales_sk > 0)
AND (IDLE AGENT COUNT service_sk > 0) THEN
    QUEUE TO AGENT LONGEST IDLE AGENT sales_sk, service_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF
```

Queue To Skillset

Introduction

Use the Queue To Skillset command to queue calls locally at the Symposium Call Center Server site. The calls can be queued according to how many agents are logged on to the skillsets or by the length of time the agents have been idle at the skillsets.

Script syntax

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET [<skillset> | <list_of_skillsets>] {WITH PRIORITY  
<priority>}
```

Script syntax: Most logged agents

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET MOST LOGGED AGENTS [<skillset> |  
<list_of_skillsets>] {WITH PRIORITY <priority>}
```

Script syntax: By longest idle agent

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET [<skillset> | <list_of_skillsets>] BY LONGEST  
IDLE AGENT {WITH PRIORITY <priority>}
```

Optional

The With Priority segment is optional in this command.

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<skillset>** or **<list_of_skillsets>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, to which you want the call queued.

- **<priority>** The priority with which you want the call queued to the specified skillset.

Restriction

- Do not insert the Give Busy or Give Overflow command immediately after the Queue To Skillset command.
- Use a Wait command with at least 2 seconds after a Queue To Skillset command.

Skillset lists

You can queue calls to up to 20 local skillsets simultaneously. You can queue to more than one skillset either by specifying all of the skillsets to which you want calls queued in a single Queue To Skillset command, or by using a separate Queue To Skillset command for each skillset.

The Queue To Skillset command evaluates each skillset specified in a random order. For each skillset, if an agent is available, the call is presented to that agent. If no agents are available, the call is queued to that skillset.

Using Wait

Always include a Wait command with at least 2 seconds immediately after a Queue to Skillset command. This allows time for the call to be queued before the next command.

Most Logged Agents intrinsic

If you use the Most Logged Agents intrinsic, the skillset to which the call is queued is selected based on the number of agents that are logged on to the skillsets. The Queue To Skillset command finds the skillset among all of the skillsets listed that has the most agents logged on to it at the time. Therefore, the call is queued only to that one skillset, not to all of the skillsets in the skillset list.

By Longest Idle Agent option

If you use the By Longest Idle Agent option, and two or more agents (with the same priority for the skillset) are idle in the listed skillsets, the agent is selected based on the selected Global Skillset setting for Agent Preference.

The following settings are available:

- **Longest total time in Idle state since login**
The amount of idle time since the agent logged on. The system does not reset this setting for the whole duration of the agent's logon session.
- **Longest time in Idle state since the last status change**
The amount of idle time since the last status change for the particular agent. The system resets the idle time for the following status changes:
 - Not Ready
 - Logging out
 - Answering, initiating, or restoring a DN call
 - Programming CFW or speed call lists
 - Reserve/Unreserve
- **Longest total time since last CDN/ACD call**
The amount of idle time since the agent last cleared a CDN/ACD call. This time includes the time spent on idle, busy on DN calls, and Not Ready.

Queuing to multiple skillsets

When you use multiple skillsets, the By Longest idle Agent option selects the most qualified agent from across all the listed skillsets, based on your setting for Agent Preference.

When no idle agents are available, the By Longest Idle Agent option has no effect on queuing. The system queues the call to all skillsets listed in the command, and the next available agent is presented with the call.

The priority of the idle agents for the skillsets takes precedence over the Agent Preference setting. This means that the system always routes the call to the highest priority agent, regardless of the Agent Preference setting.

If you do not choose the By Longest Idle Agent option, then the call is presented to the longest idle agent since the last status change. In addition, when you choose multiple skillsets, the system randomly selects a skillset from the list, and the call is presented to the longest idle agent for that skillset.

Note: The script compiler will not allow a Queue To Skillset command to include both the Most Logged Agents intrinsic and the By Longest Idle Agent option.

With Priority option

You can specify the priority with which the call should be queued. Assign a priority of 1 to 6, with 1 being the highest priority and 6 being the lowest. A call is assigned a priority of 6 by default. Calls with higher priorities are presented to the agents before the calls with lower priorities.

Example 1

In the following example, the script checks whether the number of idle agents in the sales skillset is greater than 0. If so, then the call is queued to the sales skillset:

```
IF (IDLE AGENT COUNT sales_sk > 0) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
    WAIT 2 /*Allow time for the call to be queued*/
END IF
```

Example 2

In the following example, the skillset with the most logged on agents (either the service skillset or the support skillset) is assigned to the variable named “skillset_cv.” The call is then queued to skillset_cv:

```
ASSIGN MOST LOGGED AGENTS service_sk, support_sk TO
skillset_cv
QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_cv
WAIT 2
```

Example 3

In the following example, the script checks whether the number of idle agents in the service skillset is greater than the number of idle agents in the support skillset. If so, then the call is queued to the service skillset. Otherwise, it is queued to the support skillset:

```
IF (IDLE AGENT COUNT service_sk > IDLE AGENT COUNT
support_sk) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET support_sk
END IF
WAIT 2 /*Allow time for the call to be queued*/
```

Remove From Agent

Introduction

Use the Remove From Agent command to remove a call from the specified agent. This command applies to local agents only. Use this command if a call has to be answered within a specific length of time. If the call is still queued after this amount of time has passed, the call can be retrieved and requeued.

You can use the Remove From Agent command only to remove a call from an agent queue that was queued using the Queue To Agent command. This command cannot be used to remove a call that was queued to an agent using to a Queue To Skillset command.

Script syntax

```
REMOVE FROM AGENT [<agent_ID> | <agent_ID_list>]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<agent_ID>** or **<agent_ID_list>** The ID of the agent from which you want the call removed. This parameter can be replaced with a single agent ID or a list of agent IDs.

Example

A call is queued to agent variable “agent_2” with a priority of 2 when it first arrives. If, after 60 seconds, the call has not been answered, it is removed from the agent and is queued to the sales skillset:

```
QUEUE TO agent_2 WITH PRIORITY 2  
WAIT 2  
SECTION Check_Age  
    WAIT 20
```

```
GIVE RAN agent_busy_ran_gv
IF (AGE OF CALL > 60) THEN
    REMOVE FROM AGENT agent_2
    WAIT 2 /* avoid race condition */
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
    WAIT 2
    EXECUTE WaitLoop
END IF
EXECUTE Check_Age
```

Remove From Skillset

Introduction

Use the Remove From Skillset command to remove a queued call from the skillset or skillsets after queuing. This command applies only to local skillsets.

Script syntax

```
REMOVE FROM SKILLSET [<skillset> | <list_of_skillsets>]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** or **<list_of_skillsets>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, from which you want the call removed.

Example

A call is queued to the sales skillset. If, after 60 seconds, the call has not been answered, the script performs a test to determine which skillset has the most idle agents. If the sales skillset has more idle agents, then the call is removed from the sales skillset, and is queued to the service skillset:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
SECTION Check_Age
    WAIT 20
    IF (AGE OF CALL > 60) THEN
        IF (IDLE AGENT COUNT service_sk >= 1) THEN
            REMOVE FROM SKILLSET sales_sk
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
```

```
                WAIT 2
                EXECUTE Continue_Requeued
            END IF
        END IF
    GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
    EXECUTE Check_Age
    SECTION Continue_Requeued
        . . .
```

Route Call

Introduction

Use the Route Call command to deliver a call to a destination specified by the parameter.

Script syntax

```
ROUTE CALL [<dn> | DEFAULT DN]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<dn>** The directory number (DN) to which you want the call routed. You can replace this parameter with a dialable number, internal or external, such as an ACD-DN or a personal DN.

Restriction

Do not insert any commands after the Route Call command.

Default DN

If you specify the default DN, the call is sent to the default ACD-DN configured on the switch for the CDN from which the call entered the system.

Example 1

In the following example, if it is a holiday or a weekend, or outside of business hours, then the call is routed to another site in the call center:

```
IF (DATE = holiday_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
```

```
OR (TIME OF DAY = after_hours_gv) THEN
    ROUTE CALL other_site
END IF
```

Chapter 7

Advanced script commands

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Overview

This chapter describes the advanced script commands that you can use if you have purchased the Nortel Networks Symposium Call Center Server application software package. It shows how to write the commands in your scripts (script syntax), along with the parameters and optional segments that make up the commands.

Event Handler

Introduction

Use the Event Handler to give the script instructions to manage certain conditions that can occur during a call, such as abandonment of the call or RAN response failure.

About the Event Handler

The Event Handler can manage two events: Call Abandon and RAN Response Fail.

If, during normal script execution, an unsolicited (unexpected) event or a failed treatment response occurs, the Event Handler can be used to execute statements to handle that event. These statements are placed in the Event Handler at the beginning of the script, and are not executed unless the specific event occurs. If the event occurs, and this event is defined in the Event Handler of this script, the script execution jumps to the Event Handler and executes the statement for that event.

In the case of unsolicited events, the script execution does not return to the body of the script after completing the event processing within the Event Handler. In the case of failed treatment responses, the script execution normally returns to the next statement in the main body of the script after the treatment command that failed, unless you use the Execute Script or Execute command. Execute Script branches to another script, and Execute branches to a section within the same script.

Notes:

1. The Event Handler is optional, and only applies to the script in which it resides. Also, if it is present, there is no need to list all events. Only use the events required for your system.
2. The script continues to monitor the call after it has been answered by an agent. If the agent puts the call on hold, for example, the Event Handler can play music to the caller.

First command

The Event Handler, if included in a script, must be the first command in the script.

Script syntax

EVENT HANDLER

EVENT **<event_a>**: **<statements>**

EVENT **<event_b>**: **<statements>**

END HANDLER

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<event_a>**, **<event_b>** The events that you want the Event Handler to address.
- **<statements>** The action that you want the script to take if the event occurs.

Tip: You can use the Event Handler to override the default music route. For example, you may not want to play advertisements to callers who are waiting for an agent to become available. However, you can use the Event Handler to play advertisements to callers who are put on hold after their call has been answered by an agent.

Failed responses

Use the following failed responses to replace the event parameters in the Event Handler:

- RAN Response Fail

Once the failed response is addressed, the execution of the script leaves the Event Handler and returns to its original place in the script. It executes the command immediately after the treatment command that failed.

Alternatively, you can execute another script when a failed response occurs. Also, you can execute another section within the same script rather than returning to the original place in the script.

Tip: If you use the Event Handler to play an announcement or message in the event of a response failure, use as general a message as possible. The Event Handler cannot distinguish which RAN failed, so the message you play to callers in the event of a failure should not be intended to replace a specific message. If you need to determine which commands failed, it is possible to use a call variable. Set the variable to a specific value before each treatment command, and then test this value in the Event Handler to determine which commands failed.

Restrictions for unsolicited events

Use the following commands only with the Call Abandon event:

- IF-THEN-END-IF
- IF-THEN-ELSE-END-IF
- QUIT
- WAIT
- LOG
- SEND INFO

Restrictions for failed responses

You can use all commands with the RAN Response Fail event, except for the Section command.

Note: Once the failed response is addressed, the execution of the script leaves the Event Handler and returns to its original place in the script. The command immediately after the failed treatment command is executed.

Event Handler and secondary scripts

The Event Handler applies only to the script in which it appears. If you want Event Handler conditions to apply to the call after it has been sent to a referenced script, you must repeat the Event Handler command at the beginning of each script. Alternatively, you can change the Event Handler conditions in each script, or you can choose not to include it in referenced scripts.

Example

RAN Response Fail, in the following example, is defined in the Event Handler. If the script receives a RAN Response Fail, then the event is logged in the Script Log file. The call then leaves the Event Handler and returns to the script:

```
EVENT HANDLER
    EVENT RAN RESPONSE FAIL: LOG "first RAN failed"
END HANDLER
QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 3
GIVE RAN please_wait_ran_gv
```

How Event Handler avoids infinite loops

To avoid infinite loops in scripts, the Event Handler does not repeat treatments that prompt the Event Handler response. Consider the following example:

```
EVENT HANDLER
    EVENT RAN RESPONSE FAIL:GIVE RAN error_ran_gv
END HANDLER
GIVE RAN error_ran_gv
QUEUE TO SKILLSET customer_service_sk
```

If `error_ran_gv` is an invalid RAN route, then the first command in the script, `GIVE RAN error_ran_gv`, starts the Event Handler. However, the same invalid route is called for in the Event Handler. To avoid an infinite loop, Symposium Call Center Server does not repeat the treatment again. Instead, Symposium Call Center Server continues to process the script. In this example, the call is queued to the skillset `customer_service_sk`.

Log

Introduction

Use the Log command to log a message to the Event Browser. For more information about the Event Browser, refer to the *Administrator's Guide*. This command is typically used for script testing only, as it can have an adverse effect on the system capacity if executed for every call in a high-traffic call center.

Note: By default, messages are logged to the Event Browser with the severity level of information.

ATTENTION

Do not use the Log command for normal call processing. Older events in the log file are overwritten by new events being logged. Events logged by this command can reduce the amount of historical data in the log file.

Nortel Networks recommends that you use the Log command only in the following situations:

- in test scripts to which only a few calls are made
- to identify errors. For example, you can define a boolean in your script that, by default, is set to False. To troubleshoot, set the boolean to True. The following is an example of the Log command:

```
IF debug THEN
    LOG "message"
END IF
```

Script syntax

```
LOG <"msg_character_string">
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<“msg_character_string”>** The text of the message entry as you want it to appear in the Script Log file.

Note: You must use quotation marks around the text of the message entry, or use a variable of type “string” without quotation marks.

Limitations

The log command is shown as an event in the Event Browser up to ten times. After this, the event is no longer visible due to the “throttling” feature that prevents reoccurring events from filling up the Event Browser log. The throttling feature is reset every 30 minutes, after which the event is visible again. For more information about the event throttling utility, refer to the *Installation and Maintenance Guide*.

Restriction

Do not insert the Give Busy or Give Overflow command immediately after the Log command.

Example

In the following example, if the script receives a RAN response fail, then the event is logged in the Event Browser log:

```
EVENT HANDLER
    EVENT RAN RESPONSE FAIL: LOG "RAN failed in Master"
END HANDLER
```

Where-Equals

Introduction

Use the Where-Equals command to test for a condition that can have more than one expected result. You can use this command, for example, to replace several If-Then-Else commands that all check for the same condition. The parameter `value_expr` (the condition for which you are testing) is evaluated first, and then different statements are executed, depending on the value of the parameter. The result may be to advance to another command, execute another script, or terminate the execution of the script. Use the Default clause, which is optional, to specify a command to use in the event that none of the values are true.

After finishing the statements in the applicable Value clause, the script leaves the Where-Equals command and continues executing the next command after the End Where command (unless the statements transfer the call to another script).

Script syntax

```
WHERE <value_expr> EQUALS  
  
    VALUE <value_1>: <statements>  
  
    VALUE <value_2>: < statements>  
  
    VALUE <value_3>: <statements>  
  
    DEFAULT: <statements>  
  
END WHERE
```

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

<value_expr> The expression that you want the script to evaluate. You can replace this parameter with an item, an intrinsic (such as CDN, DNIS, or CLID), or a formula. If you use a variable within this parameter, it must be of type “item.”

<value_1>, <value_2>, <value_3> The values for the expression that you want the script to address. Replace these parameters with an item, a list, or a range.

<statements> The action that you want the script to take if the expression is equal to the specified value.

Limitations

Note: The number of value clauses is unlimited; however, Nortel Networks recommends that you do not use more than 50 value clauses, and that you break value clauses into groups wherever possible. Otherwise, script execution problems can occur.

Example

The following example demonstrates how to break value clauses into groups:

```
IF (CLID = 905@) THEN

    WHERE CLID EQUALS

        VALUE wc_dist1: EXECUTE SCRIPT WCoast1_Sales
        VALUE wc_dist2: EXECUTE SCRIPT WCoast2_Sales
        VALUE wc_dist3: EXECUTE SCRIPT WCoast3_Sales
        . . .

    END WHERE

ELSE

    IF (CLID = 614@) THEN
```

```
WHERE CLID EQUALS
    VALUE ec_dist1: EXECUTE SCRIPT ECoast1_Sales
    VALUE ec_dist2: EXECUTE SCRIPT ECoast2_Sales
    VALUE ec_dist3: EXECUTE SCRIPT ECoast3_Sales
    ...
END WHERE
ELSE
    ROUTE CALL DEFAULT DN
END IF
END IF
```

Using variables

If you use a variable name for the <value_expr> parameter in Where-Equals, the class of the variable must be Item. However, if you use a variable name for the <value_1/2/3> parameter in Value statements, the class of the variable can be either Item or Set. Nortel Networks recommends that you replace constant ranges of values (or comma separated lists) with Set class variables, as they are easier to modify. For example, to represent winter months, you can use the following value statement:

```
WHERE MONTH OF YEAR EQUALS
    VALUE Jan .. Mar: GIVE RAN winter_months_gv
    ...
```

However, Nortel Networks recommends that you use a Set class variable instead:

```
WHERE MONTH OF YEAR EQUALS
    VALUE winter_gv: GIVE RAN winter_months_gv
    ...
```

where winter_gv is a variable of MONTH OF YEAR type and Set class that contains the value of January .. March.

Each VALUE statement can have multiple variables and constants in a comma-separated list. For example:

```
WHERE CDN EQUALS
    VALUE 4165352001, sales_cdn_gv, 4165375700 : GIVE
RAN vip_ran_gv
    ...
```

where sales_cdn_gv is a variable of CDN type and Set class that contains multiple CDN values (ranges and lists).

Example 1

In the following example, callers hear different recorded announcements, depending on the month in which they call the call center:

```
WHERE MONTH OF YEAR EQUALS
    VALUE JANUARY: GIVE RAN winter_specials_ran_gv
    VALUE APRIL: GIVE RAN spring_specials_ran_gv
    VALUE JULY: GIVE RAN summer_specials_ran_gv
    VALUE SEPTEMBER: GIVE RAN fall_specials_ran_gv
    DEFAULT: GIVE RAN default_ran_gv
END WHERE
```

Example 2

In the following example, the script uses the Where-Equals statement to direct calls to the appropriate script, depending on the CDN of the call:

```
WHERE CDN EQUALS
    VALUE 4165553500: EXECUTE SCRIPT Automotive
    VALUE 4165553600: EXECUTE SCRIPT Electronics
    VALUE 4165553700: EXECUTE SCRIPT Sporting_Goods
    VALUE 4165553800: EXECUTE SCRIPT Kitchen_Ware
    DEFAULT: GIVE RAN lost_ran_gv
```

END WHERE

Chapter 8

Host data exchange commands

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Overview

Introduction

Symposium Call Center Server provides a set of Application Program Interface (API) functions that are accessible by a third-party application. Scripts can send data as well as query and receive responses from a third-party application using host connectivity commands.

Types of third-party applications that you can use include IVR systems or screen-pop applications.

Note: When using host data exchange commands, you must take traffic engineering into consideration. Every call accessing a script containing host data exchange commands is affected by

- application response time
A slow third-party application response time can slow down all call processing in Symposium Call Center Server.
- application design
Databases may need special indexing and optimization to handle a high number of requests at the same time. For example, if the application can only handle one request at a time, and each request takes 4 seconds to process, a maximum of 900 calls per hour can be handled by the script.
- LAN interference
This can include backup and restore procedures, and large file transfers.

Symposium Call Center Server Release 5.0 also supports the following new call variable types for Host Data Exchange:

- Agent ID
- Skillset ID

Notes:

- The Skillset Call variable only allows a valid skillset ID to be passed by the HDX application. Therefore, there is no flexibility or ambiguity about what

can be passed to the HDX application in the SEND REQUEST / SEND INFO commands.

- The command GET RESPONSE with a parameter of type SKILLSET expects a skillset ID to be returned in that parameter. However, it is not enforced in any way and, in particular, no translation is performed between a skillset name and the associated skillset ID. Translation between the skillset ID and skillset name can be performed using the CORBA control interface to RSM.
- Only the raw skillset ID numbers are passed back and forth to HDX and the responsibility is with the application developer to operate within this constraint.

Provider ID

Each HDX application must have a unique ID that identifies it to Symposium Call Center Server. (No two applications at the same site can have the same provider ID.) This is the ID that the HDX application passes to the server in attempts to register with the server software. The developer of the HDX application chooses the provider ID for the application.

You must specify the provider ID when you configure the HDX application in your system. The script writers must also know the ID, so that they can include it in the scripts.

The default provider ID for IVR CTI applications is 1.

Call ID

Every call that enters Symposium Call Center Server has a call ID associated with it. The call ID is sent automatically with every Send Info or Send Request command. You, or your company's application developer, can use the call ID to show information about the call (such as skillset or caller entered data) in a screen pop on the agents' desktops. For more information, refer to the *Host Data Exchange API Programmer's Guide*.

Example

The following example shows how you can use host connectivity in your scripts. This example uses the call data intrinsic. The call center that uses this script has to have a third-party IVR system.

Before the call reaches this script, an IVR session asks the caller to provide an account number and a numerical password. The account number is stored as a call intrinsic called Call Data 1. The password is stored as Call Data 2.

This script first checks the DNIS of the call. If the caller dials one of the 1-800 numbers listed, then the appropriate section of the script executes, and the call is queued to a skillset.

If the caller does not dial one of the 1-800 numbers, the section of the script called Call_Enter_Data_Section executes. The following events take place:

- A call variable named `account_number_cv` is assigned the value of the call intrinsic Call Data 1.
- A call variable named `password_cv` is assigned the value of the call intrinsic Call Data 2.
- The script sends the account number and password to the third-party application.
- The third-party application returns information to the script about the last agent that the caller spoke to, plus a skillset, in case the agent is not logged in.
 - If that agent is logged in, then the call is queued to him or her.
 - If that success flag is false or there was no response, then the call is queued to the default skillset.
- If that agent was John Kim (`john_kim` is a variable), then the call is queued to him.
- If that agent was anyone else, then the call is queued to the default skillset.

```
WHERE DNIS EQUALS
```

```
VALUE 8005554103: EXECUTE Business_Travel_Section
```

```
VALUE 8005554203: EXECUTE Vacations_Section
```

```
DEFAULT: EXECUTE Call_Enter_Data_Section
```

```
END WHERE
```

```
SECTION Business_Travel_Section
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET business_travel_sk
    WAIT 2
    GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
    QUIT

SECTION Vacations_Section
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET vacations_sk
    WAIT 2
    GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
    QUIT

SECTION Call_Enter_Data_Section
    ASSIGN CALL DATA 1 TO account_number_cv
    ASSIGN CALL DATA 2 TO password_cv
    SEND REQUEST app_ID account_number_cv, password_cv
    GET RESPONSE app_ID last_agent_talked_to_cv
    WHERE last_agent_talked_to_cv EQUALS
        VALUE 10: ASSIGN john_kim TO pref_agent_cv
        VALUE 11: ASSIGN sue_sim TO pref_agent_cv
        VALUE 12: ASSIGN lou_jones TO pref_agent_cv
        DEFAULT: QUEUE TO SKILLSET default_sk
            WAIT 2
            EXECUTE Message_Section
    END WHERE
    QUEUE TO AGENT pref_agent_cv
    WAIT 2
    SECTION Message_Section
        GIVE RAN agent_busy_ran_gv
        GIVE MUSIC soft_music_gv
```

SECTION Wait_Loop

Variable types

You can use the following types of variables with host connectivity commands:

- integer
- string
- DN
- CLID
- DNIS
- Agent ID
- Skillset

Use a call variable to store collected information. You can use a call or global variable for the application ID.

The following section of script sends a caller's DNIS number to a third-party application, and then receives the preferred skillset for that customer. The first line of the script assigns a skillset-type variable named "skillset_cv" a default value of sales_sk. Then the script sends the customer's DNIS number to the third-party application. The third-party application uses this information to retrieve the preferred skillset for the customer. The script receives the preferred skillset information, which is represented by a skillset:

```
ASSIGN sales_sk TO skillset_cv
SEND REQUEST app_ID DNIS
GET RESPONSE app_ID skillset_cv
IF NOT OUT OF SERVICE skillset_cv THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_cv
    WAIT 2
ELSE
    GIVE RAN nite_ran
    DISCONNECT
```

END IF

Send Info

Introduction

Use the Send Info command to send data to and start a third-party application, such as a screen-pop application. You must use the Send Request and Get Response commands to request and receive information.

Script syntax

```
SEND INFO <provider_ID> [<variable> | <list_of_variables>]
```

Note: There is no comma between the application ID and the first variable, but commas are mandatory between the variables (additional spaces are optional).

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<provider_ID>** The identifier that the HDX application uses to register with Symposium Call Center Server. Replace this parameter with an Integer type variable.
- **<variable>** or **<list_of_variables>** The variable, or list of variables (up to 10), that contains the data you want to send to the third-party application. List of variables are single variable values separated by commas. For a list of variable types that you can use with this command, see “Variable types” on page 220.

Restriction

Do not insert the Give Busy or Give Overflow command immediately after the Send Info command.

Example

In the following example, any calls entering CDN number 4165553750 initiate a request to a third-party application (such as a database) for the callers account balance. Once the account balance is returned, the call is queued to the skillset “customer_service_sk.” If a call enters any other CDN, the CDN number is send to the third-party application and the call is queued to skillset “general_information_sk”:

```
WHERE CDN EQUALS
    VALUE 4165553750:
        SEND REQUEST app_ID account_balance_cv, CDN, CLID
        GET RESPONSE app_ID account_balance_cv
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET customer_service_sk
        WAIT 2
    DEFAULT:
        SEND INFO app_ID CDN
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_information_sk
        WAIT 2
END WHERE
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC soft_music_gv
```

Send Request

Introduction

Use the Send Request command to ask for specific data from a third-party application. Call and global variables are used in this command to identify the data that you are requesting from the host. These variables are read-only. That is, the host application cannot change their value.

Note: The Send Request command must always be followed by a Get Response command. Only comments can separate these commands in the script.

Script syntax

```
SEND REQUEST <provider_ID> [<variable> | <list_of_variables>]
```

Note: There is no comma between the application ID and the first variable, but commas are mandatory between the variables (additional spaces are optional).

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<provider_ID>** The identifier that the HDX application uses to register with Symposium Call Center Server. Replace this parameter with an Integer type variable.
- **<variable>** or **<list_of_variables>** The variable, or list of variables (up to 10), that contains the data that you are requesting from the third-party application. For a list of variable types that you can use with this command, see “Variable types” on page 220.

Restriction

Do not insert the Give Busy or Give Overflow command immediately after the Send Request command.

Example

The following section of script sends a caller's CLID to a third-party application, and then receives the preferred banker for that customer. The first line of the script assigns a default value of 12345 to the variable named "personal_banker_cv." Then the Send Request command is used to send the customer's CLID to the third-party application. The Get Response command is used to retrieve the preferred banker for the customer from the third-party application. The default value of the variable "personal_banker_cv" is replaced with the value retrieved from the third-party application.

If the value retrieved from the third-party application is returned within 2 seconds, the call is presented to the appropriate agent. Otherwise, the call is queued to the sales skillset.

Note: When you replace a specific agent with an agent variable, you do not have to modify any scripts if the agent leaves the call center and is replaced by another agent.

```
ASSIGN 12345 TO personal_banker_cv
SEND REQUEST app_ID CLID
GET RESPONSE app_ID TIMER 2 personal_banker_cv
IF NOT LOGGED OUT AGENT personal_banker_cv THEN
    QUEUE TO AGENT personal_banker_cv
    WAIT 2
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF
GIVE RAN agent_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC soft_music_gv
```

Get Response

Introduction

Use the Get Response command to obtain the response from the Send Request command previously sent to a third-party application. Send Request must be the previous command in the script. Script validation fails if the command is not preceded by a Send Request command.

You can specify one or more call variables in which to store the data in the response message.

Note: All variables to be returned from a third-party application using the Get Response command must have their initial value set to a default value. The value returned replaces the default value.

Script syntax

```
GET RESPONSE <provider_ID> {TIMER <timer>} [<variable> |  
<list_of_variables>]
```

Note: There is no comma between the application ID and the first variable, but commas are mandatory between the variables (additional spaces are optional).

Optional

The Timer segment is optional.

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<provider_ID>** The identifier that the HDX application uses to register with Symposium Call Center Server. Replace this parameter with an Integer type variable.
- **<timer>** The maximum amount of time, in seconds, to wait for a response. Specify any number up to 20.

- **<variable>** or **<list_of_variables>** The call variable, or list of variables (up to 10), in which you want to store the data received from the third-party application. For a list of variable types that you can use with this command, see “Variable types” on page 220.

Note: Do not use global variables in the variable list—only call variables are allowed. However, you can use either global or call variables for the `application_ID` and the timer.

Timer option

You can specify the amount of time to wait for a response from the host, to a maximum of 20 seconds. If the server does not receive a response in the specified time, the command fails and is aborted.

Note: If you do not specify a timer, the default of 10 seconds is used.

The only way to detect that the timer has expired in the script is to initialize the call variables with specific values (using the Assign To command), and test them after the Get Response to see if they have changed.

Example

The following section of script sends a caller’s CLID to a third-party application, and then receives the preferred skillset for that customer. The first line of the script initializes the variable named “`pref_skillset_cv`.” Then the Send Request command is used to send the customer’s CLID to the third-party application. The Get Response command is used to retrieve the preferred skillset for the customer from the third-party application, and replaces the value initially assigned to the variable “`pref_skillset_cv`” with the value retrieved from the third-party application.

If the value retrieved from the third-party application is returned within 10 seconds, the call is queued to the appropriate skillset:

```
ASSIGN Sales_sk TO pref_skillset_cv /* initialize the call
variable in case of failed response */

SEND REQUEST ivr_hdxID pref_skillset_gv
GET RESPONSE ivr_hdxID pref_skillset_cv
```

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET pref_skillset_cv  
WAIT 2  
GIVE RAN agents_bsy_ran  
GIVE MUSIC soft_music  
QUIT
```

Database Integration Wizard

Introduction

Symposium Call Center Server Release 5.0 includes a new feature called Database Integration Wizard. It provides out-of-the-box generic database look-up and call-data attachment without programming.

The Database Integration Wizard

- enables modification of the database access / call data attachment without software change
- is delivered as a robust Windows 2000 service and fully integrated using Symposium Call Center Server 5.0 design and architecture principles
- provides a simple, robust, and intuitive graphical user interface for configuration with validated data entry and test tools

Refer to the *Symposium Database Integration User's Guide* for more detailed information on the Database Integration Wizard.

Host Data Exchange

Host Data Exchange enables the exchange of data between the script and the database. Host Data Exchange commands in the call processing script pass information to the Host Application Integration (HAI) service, using a provider ID specified using the Configuration Wizard:

- **SEND REQUEST/GET RESPONSE** used for database access
- **SEND INFO** used for TAPI call data attachment

SEND REQUEST

The first parameter of the SEND REQUEST call functions as an index for a list of SQL scripts that you write using the Configuration Wizard. The remaining parameters of SEND REQUEST populate the unknown parameters of the SQL statement (up to nine parameters may be passed).

Syntax example:

```
SEND REQUEST HAI_AppId HAI_SQLNO_cv, CLID"
```

GET RESPONSE

The status of the execution of the SQL statement is passed back to the Symposium Call Center Server script in the first parameter of the GET RESPONSE command. The statuses are

- **SUCCESS** SQL statement was executed without error.
- **FAILURE** SQL statement execution failed. Consult trace files (especially ODBC) for further information.
- **NODATA** SQL statement is SELECT; however, no data was returned from the statement execution.

The first parameter (string type) is reserved for status reporting of SQL execution. Where the SQL statement generates data (SELECT), the data is passed into the remaining parameters (up to 9).

Syntax example:

```
GET RESPONSE HAI_AppId HAI_SQLRESP_cv, HAI_AGENTID_cv
```

Example 1 DIW Script

```
/* The script example sends the CLID of the caller to the
database which then performs a lookup and if successful
will send the preferred agent id back to the script. If
there is a failure or no data then a message is logged to
the event log and the call is queued to the skillset
instead */
```

```
GIVE RINGBACK
WAIT 2
```

```
ASSIGN 4 TO HAI_SQLNO_cv /* sql index integer value */
ASSIGN "FAILURE" TO HAI_SQLRESP_cv /* status value string*/
```

```
SEND REQUEST HAI_AppId HAI_SQLNO_cv, CLID
GET RESPONSE HAI_AppId HAI_SQLRESP_cv, HAI_AGENTID_cv
WHERE HAI_SQLRESP_cv EQUALS
```

```
VALUE "FAILURE" : LOG "Unable to access Host"  
                  QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk  
                  WAIT 2  
  
VALUE "NODATA" : LOG "No data available from Host"  
                  QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk  
                  WAIT 2  
  
VALUE "SUCCESS" : QUEUE TO AGENT HAI_AGENTID_cv  
                  WAIT 2  
  
END WHERE
```

TAPI Call Data attachment

The TAPI Call Data attachment enables users to attach script and call data to a call, and pass that information to a TAPI server. The first data parameter of the SEND INFO command is interrogated. If the text in the parameter is *%TAPI%*, then the data in the remaining parameters is sent to TAPI. The parameters of the SEND INFO command are attached to a call using the published TAPI IVR / CallData interface.

Example of script syntax

```
SEND INFO HAI_AppId CLID,HAI_AGENTID_cv
```

The preceding example sends the CLID and the Agent ID to the TAPI application.

SEND INFO command and database access

The SEND INFO command can now update a database while attaching data to a call. To allow for this flexibility, the behavior of the Database Integration Wizard for the TAPI Call Data attachment has been modified. The first data parameter of the SEND INFO command is now interrogated (previously SEND INFO was available only for TAPI Call Data attachment and interrogation of the parameters

was unnecessary). Now, if the text in the parameter is *%TAPI%*, then the data in the remaining parameters is sent to TAPI. Otherwise the SEND INFO command is assumed to be for database access and the information in the first parameter is used to identify the SQL statement number.

EXAMPLE for database access

```
EVENT HANDLER
```

```
    EVENT CALL ABANDON: ASSIGN "abandon" TO string_cv
    SEND INFO HAI_AppId, HAI_SQLNO_cv, CLID, abandon_cv
```

```
END HANDLER
```

SEND INFO can also be used to attach TAPI data to a call with the assumption that otherwise SEND INFO operates just like SEND REQUEST.

The first data parameter of the SEND INFO command is interrogated. If the text in the parameter is *%TAPI%* then the data in the remaining parameters is sent to TAPI. The parameters of the SEND INFO command are attached to a call using the published TAPI IVR / CallData interface.

Example of script syntax

```
ASSIGN 5005 TO HAI_AppId
ASSIGN "%TAPI%" TO HAI_STRING_cv
ASSIGN 4162521003 TO HAI_CLID_cv
```

```
SEND INFO HAI_AppId HAI_STRING_cv, HAI_CLID_cv
```

The Skillset Call Variable will only allow a valid skillset ID for a call variable of type *skillset*. Therefore, there is no flexibility or ambiguity about what can be passed to the HDX application in the SEND REQUEST / SEND INFO commands. The command GET RESPONSE with a parameter of type SKILLSET expects a skillset ID to be returned in that parameter. However, it is not enforced in any way and, in particular, no translation is performed between a skillset name and the associated skillset ID. Translation between the skillset ID and skillset names can be performed using the CORBA control interface to RSM.

Only the raw skillset ID numbers are passed back and forth to HDX and the responsibility is with the application developer to operate within this constraint. The skillset ID can be retrieved from the Skillset Configuration Database view, accessible through programs such as Crystal Reports or Microsoft Access, to see the link between the Skillset Name and the Skillset ID that was assigned by the system.

Chapter 9

Intrinsics

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Overview

Introduction

Intrinsics contain system-wide information about skillsets, agents, time, traffic, and call type. You can use intrinsics in your scripts to access system information. The script then uses this information in formulas and decision-making statements.

Symposium Call Center Server creates and maintains intrinsics automatically. Intrinsics are available only to query data about the system within scripts, not to modify data. Any script can use information from intrinsics throughout the system.

Types of intrinsics

There are four types of intrinsics described in this chapter:

Section A, “Skillset intrinsics,” describes the intrinsics that are based on information about skillsets or agents.

Section B, “Time intrinsics,” describes the intrinsics that are based on system time information, including the time of day, day of week, and day of year.

Section C, “Traffic intrinsics,” describes the intrinsics that are based on the system traffic level information.

Section D, “Call intrinsics,” describes the intrinsics that are specific to each call (for example, the CLID).

Return value

The data that an intrinsic gathers from the system and inserts into the script is referred to as the “return value” of the intrinsic. For example, the following section of a script instructs the system to queue calls to the support skillset if the number of agents in the service skillset (Logged Agent Count) is less than five:

```
IF (LOGGED AGENT COUNT service_sk < 5) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET support_sk
END IF
```

If, at 2:00 p.m., three agents from the service skillset are logged on, then the return value for the intrinsic is 3. Therefore, incoming calls are queued to the support skillset. Suppose later, at 3:30 p.m., nine agents from the service skillset are logged on. Now, the return value for the intrinsic is 9, and calls are not queued to the support skillset.

Intrinsic returns no value

If an intrinsic cannot return a valid value, it may return no value at all. For example, in the following statement:

```
QUEUE TO AGENT LONGEST IDLE AGENT service_sk,
general_sales_sk
```

If all of the agents in the service_sk and general_sales_sk skillsets are busy on active calls or in Not Ready mode, then the intrinsic Longest Idle Agent does not return any value. As a result, Symposium Call Center Server cannot queue the call to an agent.

To prevent the call from being queued to the default skillset, check to ensure that the call is queued before the end of the script.

Example

In the following example, the script attempts to queue the call to the agent who has been idle the longest in either the `service_sk` or the `general_sales_sk` skillset. If, after 2 seconds, the call is not queued, it is queued to a third skillset named `backup_skillset_sk`:

```
QUEUE TO AGENT LONGEST IDLE AGENT service_sk,  
general_sales_sk
```

```
WAIT 2
```

```
IF NOT QUEUED THEN
```

```
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_skillset_sk
```

```
    WAIT 2
```

```
END IF
```

Examples of intrinsics use

Introduction

This section provides examples of how you can use intrinsics in your scripts.

Decision making within a script based on skillset intrinsics

This script checks whether the number of idle agents in the service skillset is greater than the number of idle agents in the support skillset. If the service skillset has more idle agents, the call is queued to the service skillset. Otherwise, the call is queued to the support skillset.

```
IF (IDLE AGENT COUNT service_sk > IDLE AGENT COUNT
support_sk) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
    WAIT 2
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET support_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF
```

Decision making within a script based on time intrinsics

This script first checks whether the time of day is between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., and that the day of the week is not Saturday or Sunday. If all of these conditions are true, then the Night_section statement is executed.

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = dinner_hour_gv)
AND (DAY OF WEEK < > SATURDAY, SUNDAY) THEN
    EXECUTE Night_Section
END IF
```

Decision making within a script based on traffic intrinsics

This script checks to see if the number of calls in the system is greater than 50. If it is greater, the caller hears a busy tone.

```
IF (TOTAL ACTIVE CALLS > 50) THEN
    GIVE BUSY
END IF
```

Decision making within a script based on caller intrinsics

This script checks to see if the CLID of the call is 416-555-1212. If it is, then the call is queued to the skillset gold_skills_sk. Otherwise, the call is queued to the skillset general_skills_sk.

```
IF (CLID = 4165551212) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET gold_skills_sk
    WAIT 2
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_skills_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF
```

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Overview of skillset intrinsics

Introduction

Skillset intrinsic elements are based on information about skillsets. The returned value from the intrinsic can then be used in queuing commands, conditional commands, and so on. Skillset intrinsics return skillsets, integer values, and agent IDs.

Using lists of skillsets and agents

You can enter either a single skillset or agent ID, or a list of skillsets or agent IDs, for many intrinsics. If you use lists, be sure to follow these rules:

- List entries must be separated with commas.
- Lists of skillsets cannot contain more than 20 skillsets.
- Lists of agent IDs cannot contain more than 20 agent IDs.
- A call can be queued to a total of 20 agents and skillsets. That is, you cannot queue a call to both 20 skillsets and 20 agents.

Default values for errors

If the intrinsic value cannot be calculated due to an error condition (for example, the skillset does not exist), a default value is returned so that script execution can continue. The following table shows the default value for skillset return types:

Return type	Default value
Integer	0
Boolean (True or False)	False
Skillset	Skillset ID = 0

Answered Call Count

Introduction

The Answered Call Count intrinsic is the total number of incoming calls that have been answered during the preceding ten minutes (see “How data is collected” below).

If you specify a list of skillsets, then the sum of answered call counts for the skillsets is returned.

Script syntax

```
ANSWERED CALL COUNT [<skillset> | <skillset_list>]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns an integer to the script.

How data is collected

Data is collected from the system at 10-minute intervals for this intrinsic. This ensures that burst-rate call traffic is reflected in the result. It also ensures that steady call traffic is reflected, since steady traffic is the same for longer time periods as it is for the given 10-minute interval.

Example

In the following example, if the number of answered calls for the service skillset is less than that of the support skillset, then incoming calls are queued to the service skillset. Otherwise, calls are queued to the support skillset. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music:

```
IF (ANSWERED CALL COUNT service_sk < ANSWERED CALL COUNT
support_sk) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET support_sk
END IF
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
SECTION WaitLoop
```

Average Speed Answer

Introduction

The Average Speed Answer is the calculated average speed of call answering in the given priority coming into the system. This data is based on the same calculations as the real-time supervisor data displays using the real-time moving window time frame of 10 minutes.

If you specify a list of skillsets, then the minimum Average Speed Answer for the list of skillsets is returned. If you omit the With Priority segment, then the return value includes calls of all priorities.

Script syntax

```
AVERAGE SPEED ANSWER [<skillset> | <skillset_list>] {WITH CALL  
PRIORITY <priority>}
```

Optional

The With Call Priority segment is optional.

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.
- **<priority>** The priority of the calls that you want to track.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a value, in seconds, to the script.

How data is collected

Data is collected from the system at 10-minute intervals for this intrinsic. This ensures that burst-rate call traffic is reflected in the results. It also ensures that steady call traffic is reflected, since steady traffic is the same for longer time periods as it is for the given 10-minute interval.

Example

In the following example, if calls are answered more quickly, on average, by the service skillset than by the support skillset, then incoming calls are queued to the service skillset. Otherwise, calls are queued to the support skillset. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music:

```
IF (AVERAGE SPEED ANSWER service_sk < AVERAGE
SPEED ANSWER support_sk) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET support_sk
END IF

WAIT 2

GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv

GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv

SECTION WaitLoop
```

Expected Wait Time

Introduction

The Expected Wait Time is the predicted expected wait time of the current call in the given skillset at the moment the intrinsic is executed. This value can change over time, depending on call traffic. This intrinsic is calculated by the call processing executor using real-time data. If the call is not yet in the skillset indicated, an average expected wait time for the skillset is returned.

If you specify a skillset list, then the returned value is the minimum Expected Wait Time of all the skillsets.

The purpose of the Expected Wait Time intrinsic is to estimate, based on historical information, how long it can take for the current call to be answered by a particular skillset.

Tip: Use this intrinsic to play the expected wait time to callers only if the wait is unusually long for your call center. For example, if the normal wait time for your call center is 2 minutes, but a burst of traffic has increased the wait time to 5 minutes, use this intrinsic to warn callers of the long wait. Give the caller options at this point (for example, the choice of leaving a message or continuing to wait).

Script syntax

```
EXPECTED WAIT TIME [<skillset> | <skillset_list>]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a value, in seconds, to the script.

Conditions that increase the wait time

The Expected Wait Time can become longer as a caller waits. This means that there is no guarantee that the caller will not wait longer than the announced wait time. This is due to any of the following conditions:

- Calls with different priorities are queued to any given skillset. Thus, new incoming calls of higher priority are inserted in the queue in front of calls of lower priority. A new, lower-priority caller may initially hear that his or her wait time is 40 seconds and, a minute later, can be advised that his or her wait time is now 5 minutes.
- A burst of traffic can come into the system (including a call that is of higher priority) after the first wait time is given, which increases the caller's wait time.
- Agents servicing the queue can log off (to have lunch, for example) and substantially change the expected wait time for the calls that came into the queue before they logged off. If the number of agents in the skillset queue is not used in the algorithm, this situation takes several sample periods to filter through to an adjusted expected wait time.

Nortel Networks recommends that you use only the Expected Wait Time intrinsic in single-priority systems to avoid these conditions.

ATTENTION

Since the expected wait time can increase while a caller waits, play the expected wait time to callers once.

Formulas

Default Expected Wait Time when not queued

Symposium Call Center Server provides a default system calculation for the Expected Wait Time (EWT) intrinsic. The Expected Wait Time is based on the Average Speed of Answer (ASA) of calls in the skillset and the current call load for the skillset. The call load factor is included because the ASA is calculated at a given answered call count and increases or decreases in proportion to the current queued call count.

$$\text{EWT (skillset)} = \text{ASA} * \text{Call Load}$$

where

$$\text{Call Load} = \text{Queued Call Count (skillset)} / \text{Answered Call Count (skillset)}$$

Default Expected Wait Time when queued

If the call is queued, the calculation is further refined to take into account the call's current position in the queue. This is to better estimate the time remaining in queue for the call. For this calculation, only queued call statistics are used.

$$\text{EWT (call, skillset)} = \text{ASA Waiting Calls} * \text{Queued Call Load} * \text{Position in Queue Factor}$$

where

$$\text{ASA Waiting Calls} = \text{Total Call Time Delay (skillset)} / \text{Queued Answered Call Count (skillset)}$$
$$\text{Queued Call Load} = \text{Queued Call Count (skillset)} / \text{Queued Answered Call Count (skillset)}$$
$$\text{Position in Queue Factor} = \text{Position in Queue (call, skillset)} / \text{Queued Call Count (skillset)}$$

Customized formulas

If you do not want to use the default formula to estimate Expected Wait Time, you can use intrinsics to build a customized formula. For example, create the following customized formula:

$$\text{EWT} = (\text{Queued Call Count} * \text{Talk Time}) / \text{Logged Agent Count}$$

with Talk Time being an estimated constant for the call center.

Example

In the following example, the call is first queued to the sales skillset. If the Expected Wait Time for the call is greater than 240 seconds, the caller hears a recorded announcement informing him or her that a long wait is expected. If the Expected Wait Time is greater than 60 seconds but less than 240 seconds, the recorded announcement indicates an average wait time. An Expected Wait Time less than 60 seconds uses a short wait announcement:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 4
ASSIGN EXPECTED WAIT TIME sales_sk TO exp_wait_cv
IF (exp_wait_cv > 240) THEN
    GIVE RAN long_wait_ran_gv
ELSE
    IF (exp_wait_cv > 60) THEN
        GIVE RAN average_wait_ran_gv
    ELSE
        GIVE RAN short_wait_ran_gv
    END IF
END IF
```

Idle Agent

Introduction

Use this intrinsic to check whether the specified agent is currently idle. If the agent is idle, the value returned is True. Otherwise, the value returned is False.

Script syntax

```
IDLE AGENT <agent_ID>
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<agent_ID>** The logon ID of the agent that you want to track.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example

In the following example, if the agent represented by the agent variable “agent_4” is idle and available, the call goes to that agent. Otherwise, the call is queued to the sales skillset:

```
IF IDLE AGENT agent_4 THEN
    QUEUE TO AGENT agent_4
    WAIT 2
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF
```

Idle Agent Count

Introduction

The Idle Agent Count is the current number of idle agents in the given skillset list.

If you specify a list of skillsets, then the return value is the maximum Idle Agent Count of all the skillsets in the list.

Script syntax

```
IDLE AGENT COUNT [<skillset> | <skillset_list>]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a numerical value to the script.

Example

The following sample script first queues the call to the sales skillset. If the call is not answered immediately, the script checks if there are more than two idle agents in the service skillset. If so, the call is queued to the service skillset. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 2
IF (IDLE AGENT COUNT service_sk > 2) THEN
```

```
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC soft_music_gv
SECTION WaitLoop
```

Logged Agent Count

Introduction

The Logged Agent Count is the number of currently logged-on agents in the skillset list.

If you specify a list of skillsets, then the return value is the maximum of the Logged Agent Count for the skillsets. This is not the actual number of logged agents in all of the skillsets.

Use this intrinsic in loops to ensure that there are agents logged on to a skillset while the call is waiting to be answered.

Note: Do not use the Logged Agent Count intrinsic to test whether a skillset is in service. Although there are agents logged on to a skillset, it does not mean that the skillset is in service. (You can put a skillset into out of service or transition mode from the Skillset Properties window.) Instead, use the Out Of Service intrinsic to test whether a skillset is in service.

Script syntax

```
LOGGED AGENT COUNT [<skillset> | <skillset_list>]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a numerical value to the script.

Example

The following example shows how to test if there are enough agents within a skillset to handle the current call volume. If there are not enough agents, the caller receives a busy tone:

```
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT sales_sk) > (2 * LOGGED AGENT COUNT
sales_sk) THEN
    GIVE BUSY
END IF
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 2
```

Logged Out Agent

Introduction

The Logged Out Agent intrinsic tests whether agents are logged off.

Script syntax

LOGGED OUT AGENT **<agent ID | agent ID list>**

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<agent ID | agent ID list>** The ID, or list of IDs, of the agents you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script. The value is True if all of the agents you are querying are logged off. If you use a list of agents for the parameter and one of the agents is logged on, then the return value is False.

Example

In the following example, the Logged Out Agent intrinsic is used to test if the preferred agent is available. If not, the call is queued to a backup skillset instead:

```
IF LOGGED OUT AGENT agent_4 THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_sk
    WAIT 2
ELSE
    QUEUE TO AGENT agent_4
    WAIT 2
END IF
```

Longest Idle Agent

Introduction

The Longest Idle Agent is the ID of the agent in the skillset list who has been idle the longest.

The longest idle agent is determined by either the idle time of the agent since the last call was disconnected, or the total idle time of the agent since logging on. The algorithm that is used is a system parameter set by the user in the Global Parameters screen.

If you specify a list of skillsets, then the return value is the Longest Idle Agent for all of the skillsets.

Note: If you queue the call to only one skillset, you do not need to use this intrinsic. The server automatically queues the call to the agent who has been idle the longest.

Script syntax

```
LONGEST IDLE AGENT [<skillset> | <skillset_list>]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.

By Longest Idle Agent option

If you use the By Longest Idle Agent option, and one or more agents are idle in the listed skillsets, the agent is selected based on the length of time he or she is idle.

Note: The agent priorities in each skillset are still considered, so only the front of each idle agent queue (for all the listed skillsets) is inspected for the longest idle agent. The agent priorities within each skillset are not overridden using this option.

Return type

This intrinsic returns an agent ID to the script.

Example

In the following example, the call is queued to the skillset with the longest idle agent. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk, service_sk BY LONGEST IDLE
AGENT
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
SECTION WaitLoop
```

Most Logged Agents

Introduction

The Most Logged Agents intrinsic identifies the skillset with the most logged on agents at the time the intrinsic is executed.

Script syntax

```
MOST LOGGED AGENTS <skillset_list>
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset_list>** The list of skillsets that you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a skillset to the script.

Example

In the following example, the value of the skillset with the most logged on agents is assigned to a call variable named “skillset_cv.” The call is then queued to the skillset represented by this variable. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music. After this, the Section named “WaitLoop” is executed. Every 30 seconds, this section checks whether the call has been answered and if there are agents available in the required skillset to answer the call:

```
/* Always assign the skillset to a skillset call variable  
(skillset_cv) so that you can check where the call was  
queued to */
```

```
ASSIGN MOST LOGGED AGENTS service_sk, support_sk TO  
skillset_cv
```

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_cv
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC classical_music_gv
SECTION WaitLoop
    WAIT 30
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_cv THEN
            GIVE RAN sorry_closed_ran_gv
            DISCONNECT
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_cv
            WAIT 2
        END IF
    END IF
GIVE RAN agents_still_busy_ran_gv
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

Oldest Call

Introduction

The Oldest Call is the age of the call (with the given call priority, if you choose to include it) that has waited longest in the given skillset queue at the time that the intrinsic is executed.

If you specify a list of skillsets, then the return value is the maximum value of the Oldest Call values for all of the skillsets.

Note: See “Age Of Call” on page 290 to compare.

Script syntax

```
OLDEST CALL [<skillset> | <skillset_list>] {WITH CALL PRIORITY  
<priority>}
```

Optional

The With Call Priority segment is optional.

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.
- **<priority>** The priority of the calls that you want to track.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a value, in seconds, to the script.

Example

In the following example, if the oldest call queued to the sales skillset is more than 5 minutes old, then the current call is queued to a backup skillset. This is to prevent further calls from being queued to the sales skillset. If the oldest call queued to the sales skillset is less than 5 minutes, the script continues to queue the current call to that skillset:

```
IF (OLDEST CALL sales_sk > 300) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_sk
    WAIT 2
ELSE
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF
```

Out of Service

Introduction

Use the Out of Service intrinsic to test whether skillsets are out of service. If you specify a list of skillsets, then the Out Of Service intrinsic returns a True value if all skillsets are out of service. Otherwise, the intrinsic returns a False value.

A skillset is out of service when

- it is placed into Out of Service mode in the Skillset Properties window (in either night service or transition mode)
- all agents have logged off the skillset
- all agents are in Standby mode in this skillset

Script syntax

```
OUT OF SERVICE [<skillset> | <skillset_list>]
```

Parameter

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example 1

In the following example, if the sales skillset is out of service, then incoming calls receive night service treatment. Otherwise, they are queued to the sales skillset. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music:

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE sales_sk THEN
    EXECUTE Night_Section
END IF
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
SECTION WaitLoop
```

Position In Queue

Introduction

The Position In Queue is the position of the call in the skillset queue at the time the intrinsic is executed.

Note: The call must be queued to the skillset before this intrinsic is used.

If you specify a list of skillsets, then the return value is the minimum value of the Position In Queue values for all of the skillsets.

The position is calculated using the number of calls queued in front of the current call. This number includes all calls with priorities equal to or higher than the priority of the current call. For example, if the current call is priority 2, then all priority 2 and priority 1 calls are included in the calculation.

Notes:

1. Nortel Networks recommends that this intrinsic only be used for call centers that do not assign priority levels.
2. Nortel Networks recommends that you do not use this intrinsic to play a caller's position in queue to him or her. Even in single-priority systems, a caller's position in queue can become higher rather than lower.

Script syntax

```
POSITION IN QUEUE [<skillset> | <skillset_list>]
```

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a numerical value to the script.

Example

In the following example, the call has already been queued to the service skillset. This section of the script tests the call's current position in the skillset queue. If it is more than 5, the priority is raised to priority 1 (unless it is already priority 1):

```
IF (POSITION IN QUEUE service_sk > 5)
AND (PRIORITY IN QUEUE service_sk < > 1) THEN
    CHANGE PRIORITY IN SKILLSET service_sk TO PRIORITY 1
END IF
```

Priority In Queue

Introduction

The Priority In Queue is the priority of the current call in the queue. This value can range from 0–6, with 1 being the highest and 6 being the lowest priority. A value of 0 indicates the call is not currently in the queue.

Note: The call must be queued to the skillset before this intrinsic is used.

Script syntax

```
PRIORITY IN QUEUE <skillset>
```

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameter:

- **<skillset>** The skillset that you want to include in the return value.

Return type

This intrinsic returns an integer to the script.

Example

In the following example, the script first checks if the call is queued in the sales skillset. If this is true and there are agents available to answer the call in the service skillset, the call is queued to the service skillset. Otherwise, the caller receives a message indicating that the call center is closed:

```
IF (PRIORITY IN QUEUE sales_sk = 0) THEN
  IF NOT OUT OF SERVICE service_sk THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
    WAIT 2
  ELSE
    GIVE RAN sorry_closed_ran_gv
    DISCONNECT
  END IF
END IF
```

Queued

Introduction

The value indicates whether the call is queued in any local skillsets or agent queues (where the return value is True) or not (where the return value is False).

Script syntax

QUEUED

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example 1

This script uses the Queued command to avoid an endless loop. It ensures that the initial Queue To Skillset command worked:

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE sales_sk THEN
    EXECUTE Help_Me_Now
END IF

QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH PRIORITY 3

WAIT 3

/* This section repeats a recorded announcement every 30
seconds. It also checks whether the call is queued before
playing the announcement. */

SECTION Play_2nd_RAN
    WAIT 30
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        EXECUTE Help_Me_Now
    END IF
```

```
GIVE RAN agents_still_busy_ran_gv
EXECUTE Play_2nd_RAN
SECTION Help_Me_Now
...
```

Queued Call Count

Introduction

The Queued Call Count is the number of calls outstanding against the skillsets in the given call priority at the time the intrinsic is executed. If you specify a list of skillsets, then the return value is the maximum value of the Queued Call Count value for all skillsets.

Note: This count includes only calls that have not yet been serviced and does not include calls that are currently being presented to an agent.

Script syntax

```
QUEUED CALL COUNT [<skillset> | <skillset_list>] { WITH CALL  
PRIORITY <priority>}
```

Optional

The With Call Priority segment is optional.

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<skillset>** or **<skillset_list>** The skillset, or list of skillsets, that you want to include in the return value.
- **<priority>** The priority of the calls that you want to track.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a numerical value to the script.

Example

In the following example, if the number of calls queued to the sales skillset is greater than twice the number of agents logged on from the sales skillset, then the caller is given a busy tone. Otherwise, the call is queued to the sales skillset. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music:

```
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT sales_sk) > (2 * LOGGED
AGENT COUNT sales_sk) THEN
    GIVE BUSY
END IF
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC soft_music_gv
SECTION WaitLoop
```

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Time of Day

Introduction

The value returned by this intrinsic is the current time of day. You can use this intrinsic to determine the exact time or whether the current time of day is in a specified range of time.

Script syntax

```
TIME OF DAY
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a time to the script.

Valid range

This value can range from 00:00 to 23:59.

Note: Do not use \geq or \leq with ranges.

Format

```
hh:mm
```

Example 1: Time range

In the following example, calls coming in to the call center between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. receive “night” call treatment. Otherwise, calls are queued to general skillset. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music.

Note: You can use a variable to represent a specific period of time. For example, the variable named “closed_hours_gv” represents the hours from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Night_Section
END IF

QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC soft_music_gv
SECTION WaitLoop
```

Example 2: Exact time

To be meaningful, time comparisons using an exact time should include a greater than operator (>) or a less than operator (<). For example, given the following statements:

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = 08:00)
IF (TIME OF DAY < 08:00)
```

the first expression is true for 1 minute; the second is true from midnight until 7:59 a.m.

Day of Week

Introduction

The value returned by this intrinsic is the current day of the week. You can use this intrinsic to determine whether the current day is a specific day or is in a list or range of days.

Script syntax

DAY OF WEEK

Return type

This intrinsic returns a day to the script.

Possible values

The possible values for this intrinsic are

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday
- Saturday
- Sunday

You cannot use abbreviations for the days of the week.

Note: The days are ordered from Monday to Sunday, with Monday as the first day of the week and Sunday as the last. Therefore, the expression Monday < Sunday is true, and Friday < Tuesday is false. Ranges also “wrap around,” so the expression “Friday .. Tuesday” is valid, and is true on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday.

Example

In the following example, calls coming into the call center between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday receive “closed” call treatment. Otherwise, calls are queued to general skillset. If the call is not answered immediately, the caller hears a message indicating that all agents are busy, followed by music.

Note: You can use a variable to represent a specific period of time. For example, the variable named “weekend_gv” represents the days from Saturday to Sunday, and a variable named “closed_hours_gv” represents the hours from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

```
IF (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
AND (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Closed_Section
END IF
QUEUE TO SKILLSET general_sk
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran_gv
GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
SECTION WaitLoop
```

Date

Introduction

The value returned by this intrinsic is the current date. You can use this intrinsic to determine whether the current date is an exact date or is in a range of dates.

Script syntax

DATE

Return type

This intrinsic returns a date to the script.

Valid range

The value can range from January 1 to December 31.

Format

The month can be specified either by using the first three characters of the month (for example, Apr), or by spelling out the entire month (for example, September). In addition, the month can appear before or after the day.

Example

The following example uses both exact dates and a range of dates. Calls coming in to the call center on May 31, July 4, and December 25 to January 1 receive holiday call treatment.

Note: You can use a variable to represent a specific period of time. For example, the variable named “christmas_holiday_gv” represents the days from December 25 to January 1.

```
IF (DATE = May 31, 4 July, christmas_holiday_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Holiday_Section
END IF
```

Day of Month

Introduction

The value returned by this intrinsic is the current day of the month. You can use this intrinsic to determine whether the current day is an exact day of the month (the 15th, for example), or is in a range of days (the 2nd through the 10th, for example).

Script syntax

DAY OF MONTH

Return type

This intrinsic returns a day (the day of the current month) to the script.

Valid range

The value can range from 1–31.

Format

Use a number or a list of numbers from 1–31.

Example 1: Range of days

BestAir Airlines has monthly specials on different flights. Callers calling BestAir between the 27th and the 31st of each month hear a recorded announcement that gives information about the upcoming month's specials.

Note: You can use a variable to represent a specific period of time. For example, the variable named "monthly_special_gv" represents the days between the 27th and the 31st of each month.

```
IF (DAY OF MONTH = monthly_special_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN specials_ran_gv
END IF
```

Example 2: Exact days

In the following example, on the 1st and 15th day of each month, a section of the script called "Pay_Day_Section" is executed:

```
IF (DAY OF MONTH = 1,15) THEN
    EXECUTE Pay_Day_Section
END IF
```

Month of Year

Introduction

The value returned by this intrinsic is the current month of the year. You can use this intrinsic to determine whether the current month is a specific month or is in a range of months.

Script syntax

```
MONTH OF YEAR
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a month to the script.

Valid range

The value can range from January to December.

Note: The month can be specified either by using the first three characters of the month (for example, Apr), or by spelling out the entire month (for example, September).

Example 1: Range of months

In the following example, calls entering the call center between the months of December and February hear a recorded announcement describing winter sales.

Note: You can use a variable to represent a specific period of time. For example, the variable named “winter_months_specials_gv” represents the months of December to February.

```
IF (MONTH OF YEAR = winter_months_specials_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN winter_specials_ran_gv
END IF
```

Example 2: Exact month

In the following example, callers hear a different recorded announcement depending on the month in which they call the call center. For example, in January, they hear a recorded announcement describing sales highlights for the month. If there is no holiday in a particular month, callers hear a default recorded announcement:

```
WHERE MONTH OF YEAR EQUALS  
    VALUE January: GIVE RAN jan_highlights_ran_gv  
    VALUE Oct: GIVE RAN oct_highlights_ran_gv  
    VALUE November: GIVE RAN nov_highlights_ran_gv  
    VALUE Dec: GIVE RAN dec_highlights_ran_gv  
    DEFAULT: GIVE RAN default_ran_gv  
END WHERE
```


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Call Rate

Introduction

The value returned by this intrinsic is the number of calls that entered the system during the previous 10-minute period.

Script syntax

```
CALL RATE
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a numerical value to the script.

Example

In the following example, when the call rate for the 10-minute period exceeds 50 calls, callers hear a recorded announcement that states that the call center is experiencing a high level of traffic:

```
IF (CALL RATE > 50) THEN  
    GIVE RAN busy_ran_gv  
    . . .  
END IF
```

Total Active Calls

Introduction

The value returned by this intrinsic is the total number of calls in the system at the moment the intrinsic is executed.

Active calls include all calls in the system that are currently queued, being presented to agents, or being answered by agents. This does not include abandoned, rejected, defaulted, or completed calls.

Script syntax

```
TOTAL ACTIVE CALLS
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a numerical value to the script.

Example

In the following example, if the number of active calls exceeds 200, then callers receive “overflow” treatment. You can restrict the number of active calls to 200 to preserve shared phone lines used by other staff in your call center:

```
IF (TOTAL ACTIVE CALLS >= 200) THEN  
    GIVE OVERFLOW  
END IF
```


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Age Of Call

Introduction

This intrinsic is the age of the call at the time the intrinsic is executed.

Script syntax

```
AGE OF CALL
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a value, in seconds, to the script.

Example

The following example is a section of script that queues the call to the sales skillset, and then plays music. The section `Check_Age` checks the age of the call every 20 seconds, until the call is more than 2 minutes old. If the call is greater than 2 minutes old, it is queued to a backup skillset:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH PRIORITY 2
WAIT 2
GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
SECTION Check_Age
    WAIT 20
    IF (Age of Call > 120) THEN
        EXECUTE Requeue
    END IF
    EXECUTE Check_Age
SECTION Requeue
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
    WAIT 2
```

Call Data

When to use

This intrinsic holds caller-entered data. You must have a third-party IVR system in place to use this intrinsic in your scripts.

Script syntax

CALL DATA **<data number>** | **<variable (1-10)>**

Parameters

Enter information for the following parameters:

- **<data number>** A number between 1 and 10. You can use up to ten Call Data intrinsics in your scripts.
- **<variable>** The name of the variable in which to store the caller-entered data. The type for this variable must be digit. Lists of variables are single variables separated by commas.

Return type

This intrinsic returns a digit to the script.

Note: This intrinsic can only return digits to the script. It cannot return letters or symbols.

Example 1

In the following example, this portion of the script checks the value of the caller entered data intrinsic, Call Data 1. The value of this intrinsic is determined by the information entered by the caller in an IVR session. If the caller pressed 1 on their keypad, then the call is queued to General Sales. If the caller pressed 2, then the call is queued to the Business Travel skillset, and so on. If the caller pressed any other number, or no number at all, the call is automatically queued to the General Sales skillset.

```
...  
WHERE CALL DATA 1 EQUALS  
    VALUE 1: QUEUE TO SKILLSET General_Sales  
    VALUE 2: QUEUE TO SKILLSET Business_Travel  
    VALUE 3: QUEUE TO SKILLSET Gold_Clients  
    DEFAULT: QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_A  
END WHERE
```

Example 2

Karen Johnson calls BestAir Airlines to inquire about European vacation packages. Before her call is answered by an agent, she receives IVR treatment. She hears a prompt such as:

“For information about business travel, press 1. For information about vacations, press 2.”

Karen presses 2. This information is stored in a call data intrinsic, and is sent to Symposium Call Center Server where it may be used in a script to route and treat the call appropriately.

Example

```
WHERE CALL DATA 1 EQUALS  
    VALUE 1: QUEUE TO SKILLSET Business_Travel_sk  
    VALUE 2: QUEUE TO SKILLSET Vacations_sk  
    DEFAULT: QUEUE TO SKILLSET Default_sk  
END WHERE
```

Using an optional third-party IVR system

You can use a front-end Integrated Voice Response (IVR) system to collect information from callers. This system plays voice menus to callers, and collects their responses. After the callers have chosen to talk to an agent, the IVR system send the Caller Entered Data to Symposium Call Center Server, and then transfers the call to a CDN that is controlled by Symposium Call Center Server.

Call handling with IVR

If you are using a third-party IVR system, you can configure your system to handle calls as follows:

1. The incoming call enters the switch and is queued to a DN that is connected to the front-end IVR system.
2. When an IVR voice channel (configured on the switch as a phoneset) becomes available, the call is routed to the IVR system.
3. The caller receives IVR treatment, which typically involves playing voice prompts and collecting responses. The callers responses are collected into the Call Data intrinsic.
4. When the IVR session is finished, the IVR system sends the caller-entered data to Symposium Call Center Server over the CLAN, and then transfers the call to a CDN that is monitored and controlled by Symposium Call Center Server.
5. Call processing continues as configured in the script for that CDN.

Scripting recommendation

Several seconds may pass between the start of the call being transferred from the IVR system to the CDN. The switch expects the call to receive some treatment from Symposium Call Center Server within a switch-configurable timer, otherwise it gives the call default treatment. Nortel Networks recommends that you write your script to give the call an immediate treatment.

Example

The following section of a script shows how you can check whether a call was transferred from the IVR system. The script uses the intrinsic CLID and a variable (mail_ports) to check whether the call was transferred from the front-end IVR system.

```
IF CONSULTED AND (CLID = mail_ports) THEN
    GIVE RINGBACK /* First treatment 8?
    WAIT 20 /* Wait for the transfer to complete */
    QUIT /* Should not reach here */
```

END IF

Call Forward

Introduction

This intrinsic indicates if the call has been forwarded (where the return value is True) or not (where the return value is False).

This intrinsic is useful, for example, if a caller dials an agent DN directly, but the agent is not available to take the call. If the call is forwarded to the call center, you can play an announcement that informs the caller that he or she has been forwarded.

Script syntax

```
CALL FORWARD
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example

In the following example, calls that have been forwarded are given a recorded announcement that tells the callers they have been forwarded to the call center:

```
IF CALL FORWARD THEN  
    GIVE RAN forward_to_call_center_ran_gv  
END IF
```

Call Forward Busy

Introduction

This intrinsic indicates whether the call has been forwarded because the phoneset at the original destination was busy (where the return value is True) or not (where the return value is False).

Script syntax

```
CALL FORWARD BUSY
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example

In the following example, calls that have been forwarded due to a busy condition are given a recorded announcement that tells the callers their calls have been forwarded:

```
IF CALL FORWARD BUSY THEN  
    GIVE RAN busy_forwarded_ran_gv  
END IF
```

Call Forward Do Not Disturb

Introduction

This intrinsic indicates whether the call has been forwarded due to a do not disturb condition at the destination (where the return value is True) or not (where the return value is False).

Script Syntax

```
CALL FORWARD DO NOT DISTURB
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example

In the following example, calls that have been forwarded due to a do not disturb condition at the destination are given a recorded announcement that tells the callers their calls have been forwarded:

```
IF CALL FORWARD DO NOT DISTURB THEN  
    GIVE RAN sleeping_ran_gv  
END IF
```

Call Forward No Answer

Introduction

This intrinsic indicates whether the call has been forwarded because no one answered the phoneset at the original destination (where the return value is True) or not (where the return value is False).

Script syntax

```
CALL FORWARD NO ANSWER
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example

In the following example, calls that have been forwarded due to no answer at the destination are given a recorded announcement that tells the callers their calls have been forwarded:

```
IF CALL FORWARD NO ANSWER THEN  
    GIVE RAN forward_no_answer_ran_gv  
END IF
```

CDN

Introduction

The value is the controlled directory number (CDN) of the current call.

Script syntax

CDN

Return type

A CDN is returned by this intrinsic.

Example

In the following example, the script executes either the GoldCard, Reg_Customers, or Promotions script, depending on the CDN of the call:

```
WHERE CDN EQUALS
    VALUE 4165551230: EXECUTE SCRIPT Gold_Customers
    VALUE 4165551231: EXECUTE SCRIPT Reg_Customers
    VALUE 4165551232: EXECUTE SCRIPT Promotions
END WHERE
```

CLID

Introduction

The value is the calling line identification (CLID) of the current call.

Script syntax

```
CLID
```

Return type

A CLID is returned by this intrinsic.

Example 1

In the following example, calls with CLIDs that are included in the `vip_list_gv` variable are sent to be handled in a special way:

```
IF (CLID = vip_list_gv) THEN
    EXECUTE Special_Handling
END IF
```

Wildcards and placeholders

The following types of free-format expression in CLID comparisons are allowed to provide flexible digit string evaluation:

- **wildcard** Use the @ symbol to represent a string of digits (zero or more).
- **placeholder** Use a question mark (?) to represent a single-digit position.

Wildcard and placeholder rules

The following rules apply to the use of wildcards and placeholders:

1. Wildcards and placeholders can be used only with the CLID intrinsic.
2. Only one wildcard is allowed in any one CLID string. For example, the string @345@ is not valid.
3. Use wildcards only at the beginning or the end of a string.
4. Wildcards and placeholders cannot be used in ranges of CLIDs. For example, 333@ .. 339@ is not allowed. However, you can use wildcards and placeholders in lists of CLIDs.
5. Wildcards and placeholders can be used only with equal (=) and not equal (< >) operators. Greater than and less than operations on wildcard expressions give ambiguous results. A validation error is generated for scripts that use this construct.
6. Only variables of the WILDCLID data type allow the wildcard and placeholder characters.
7. The statement

```
CLID = @
```

always returns a True value.
8. A string with placeholders only will have a return value of True for CLIDs with the same number of digits as there are placeholders. For example, the statement

```
CLID = ???
```

is true for all CLID strings of three digits, and false for all other strings. This type of expression is useful if you want to screen out strings of a fixed length.
9. Both wildcards and placeholders can occur in a CLID digit string. All rules still apply to placement.

Example 2

The following example shows the use of a wildcard in a CLID digit string. Calls with a CLID of 4165353050—4165353059 are queued to the VIP skillset with the priority of 1 and hear a special recorded announcement:

```
IF (CLID = 416535@) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET VIP_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
    WAIT 2
    GIVE RAN you_are_special_ran_gv
END IF
```

Example 3

The following example shows the use of a placeholder and wildcard to indicate all CLIDs starting with 305 through to 395 are queued to the VIP skillset with a priority of 1 and hear a special recorded announcement:

```
IF (CLID = 3?5@) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET VIP_sk WITH PRIORITY 1
    WAIT 2
    GIVE RAN you_are_special_ran_gv
END IF
```

Note: The DMS switch supports all caller intrinsics except the following:

- International
- LOC
- NPA
- NXX
- ROUTE
- TRUNK

When Symposium Call Center Server is used with the DMS switch, it supports wildcard/placeholder searches of the CLID in scripts to enable determination of NPA, NXX, and so on. For example, if the DMS switch sends the following number as the CLID, 9058630000, then 905 could be interpreted as the NPA and 863 as the NXX; therefore, if looking for NPA, the script example would look like this:

```
IF CLID = 905@) THEN
    EXECUTE SCRIPT Ontario_Region
END IF
```

OR

If you want to check the NPA and NXX, then the script sample could be as follows:

```
IF CLID = 905863@ THEN
    EXECUTE SCRIPT Brampton_Region
END IF
```

Note: Use the Provider.exe tool to verify the CLID string sent by the DMS switch. Make sure you generate test calls from several different regions of the country.

Consulted

When to use

The return value indicates if the call was transferred or conferenced (where the return value is true) or not (where the return value is false).

Script syntax

```
CONSULTED
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example

This script plays a recorded announcement to callers who have been transferred or conferenced:

```
IF CONSULTED THEN
    GIVE RAN 24 /* "Your call has been transferred" */
END IF
```

Dialed DN

Introduction

The value is the number that the caller originally dialed if the call is forwarded to the CDN using a switch feature. This applies only to forwarded calls.

Script syntax

```
DIALED DN
```

Return type

A DN is returned by this intrinsic.

Example

In the following example, calls are queued to the appropriate skillset depending on the dialed DN:

```
WHERE DIALED DN EQUALS  
    VALUE 2512: QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH PRIORITY 1  
    VALUE 2603: QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH PRIORITY 2  
    VALUE 2776: QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk WITH PRIORITY 1  
    DEFAULT: QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk WITH PRIORITY 2  
END WHERE
```

Note: The Dialed DN intrinsic can handle the blind transfer of a call back into the call center by an agent. The dialed DN of the agent's transfer call is preserved for the original call when the transfer is complete. This allows the caller to be redirected to a new treatment or skillset.

Direct Call

Introduction

The value indicates if the call is a direct call (where the return value is True) or not (where the return value is False). The Direct Call intrinsic should be used with phonesets that have the forwarding option.

Script syntax

```
DIRECT CALL
```

Return type

This intrinsic returns a True or False value to the script.

Example

In the following example, all calls that are not direct calls receive a recorded announcement:

```
IF NOT DIRECT CALL THEN  
    GIVE RAN you_were_forwarded_ran_gv  
END IF
```

DNIS

Introduction

The value is the first number that the caller dialed to enter the system.

This intrinsic is called the Dialed Number Identification Service (DNIS), and is specific to the trunk used. Not all trunks can be configured to support DNIS; therefore, the DNIS intrinsic is empty for any trunk that is not configured on the switch to provide DNIS.

Script syntax

DNIS

Return type

A DNIS is returned by this intrinsic.

Example

In the following example, calls are queued to the appropriate skillset depending on the DNIS:

```
WHERE DNIS EQUALS  
    VALUE 8005552512: QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH  
    PRIORITY 1  
    VALUE 8005552603: QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk WITH  
    PRIORITY 2  
    VALUE 8005552776: QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk WITH  
    PRIORITY 1  
    DEFAULT: QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk WITH PRIORITY 2  
END WHERE  
DISCONNECT
```

Chapter 10

Script expressions

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Overview

This chapter describes the expressions that you can use in your scripts to test for different conditions. It describes Logical (for example, Not, And, Or), Mathematical (for example, multiplication, division, addition, and subtraction), and Comparison (for example, greater than or less than) expressions. This chapter also explains how to control the order in which operations are performed.

Logical expressions

Introduction

This section describes the logical expressions that you can use in your scripts to test for different conditions.

NOT

The Not expression evaluates a conditional expression. It returns a True value to the script if the expression is false, and a False value if the expression is true.

AND

The And expression evaluates two or more comparative expressions. It returns a True value to the script if the two expressions are both true, and a False value if either expression is false.

OR

The Or expression evaluates two or more comparative expressions. It returns a True value to the script if either, or both, of the two expressions are true, and a False value if both expressions are false.

Example 1

BestAir's Customer Service department is open Monday to Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. After 6:00 p.m., and on Saturdays and Sundays, the department is closed.

```
IF (TIME OF DAY = business_hours_gv)
AND (DAY OF WEEK = weekdays_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN open_ran_gv
ELSE
    GIVE RAN closed_ran_gv
```

```
DISCONNECT
END IF
```

Example 1 table

The following table illustrates the conditions under which calls are given “open” call treatment in Example 1:

Expression	Is it a weekday?	Is it between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.?	Give “open” service?
AND	yes	yes	yes
AND	yes	no	no
AND	no	no	no
AND	no	yes	no

Example 2

```
IF (TIME OF DAY > 18:00) OR (DAY OF WEEK = SATURDAY,
SUNDAY) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran_gv
    DISCONNECT
ELSE
    GIVE RAN open_ran_gv
END IF
```

Example 2 table

The following table illustrates the conditions under which callers receive “closed” call treatment:

Expression	Is it after 6:00 p.m.?	Is it Saturday or Sunday?	Play “closed” recording?
OR	yes	yes	yes
OR	yes	no	yes

Expression	Is it after 6:00 p.m.?	Is it Saturday or Sunday?	Play "closed" recording?
OR	no	no	no
OR	no	yes	yes

Example 3

On the 1st and 15th of every month, BestAir has a company-wide meeting that reduces the number of agents available to take sales calls from customers. Therefore, during these meetings, they play a recorded announcement that tells callers that there may be some delay in answering their call. However, they do not hold the meetings if the 1st or 15th falls on a weekend. Regular sales service is available on weekends. This example also shows how you can combine two expressions (in this case, And and Not).

```
IF (DAY OF MONTH = 1,15)
AND NOT(DAY OF WEEK = SATURDAY, SUNDAY) THEN
    GIVE RAN meeting_ran_gv
END IF
```

Example 3 table

The following table illustrates the conditions under which the recording is or is not played to a caller:

Expression	Is it the 1st or 15th day of the month?	Is it a Saturday or Sunday?	Give meeting recording?
AND NOT	yes	yes	no
AND NOT	yes	no	yes
AND NOT	no	no	no
AND NOT	no	yes	no

Mathematical expressions

Introduction

This section describes the mathematical expressions that you can use in your scripts to test for different conditions.

Addition

Symbol

+

Description

The Addition expression (plus sign) adds two values of the same type. This expression can be used with numerical constants, variables, and expressions that return the data types Integer and Seconds.

Division

Symbol

/

Description

The Division expression (forward slash) divides the first value by the second value of the same type. This expression can be used with numerical constants, variables, and expressions that return the data types Integer and Seconds.

Note: If the result of the division is not an integer number, the value is truncated, not rounded. For example, 10.7 becomes 10.

Multiplication

Symbol

*

Description

The Multiplication expression (asterisk) multiplies two values of the same type. This expression can be used with numerical constants, variables, and expressions that return the data types Integer and Seconds.

Subtraction**Symbol**

–

Description

The Subtraction expression (dash) subtracts the second value from the first value of the same type. It can be used with numerical constants, variables, and expressions that return the data types Integer and Seconds.

Relational expressions

Introduction

You can use comparison expressions to compare the values of intrinsics, variables, and constants. The data type on each side of the comparison equation must be the same for the comparison to be a valid expression. Comparison expressions are used to evaluate a specific situation. For example, a test of the expression

```
TIME OF DAY >= 08:00
```

always yields either a yes (True) or a no (False) answer.

Values that can only be True or False are referred to as Boolean values. The state of several situations at once (for example, it is later than 08:00, and there is at least one agent logged on to the skillset) can be evaluated by writing several comparison expressions, and then joining them into a logical expression consisting of a series of true or false answers.

Limitations

Some comparison expressions can be used only with variables that return integers, seconds, and dates. For example, while you can have a numerical value greater than 312, you cannot have a skillset “greater than” Sales.

Equal to (=) and not equal to (<>) can be used for all types of data.

Greater Than (>), Less Than (<), Greater Than or Equal (>=), and Less Than or Equal (<=) can be used only with integers, seconds, and dates. These expressions cannot be used with skillsets, DNs, agent IDs, and so on.

Example 1: Incorrect

The following is an example of an invalid use of the Greater Than expression:

```
IF (LONGEST IDLE AGENT gold_card_sk > 1543) THEN
```

```
...
```

Example 2: Correct

The following is an example of a valid use of an expression:

```
IF (LONGEST IDLE AGENT gold_card_sk = 1543) THEN  
    ...
```

Set variables and constants

If you are testing for a set variable or constant (for example, a list of values or a range of values), you can use only the = and < > expressions, and they must only be compared with an “item.” That is, you are testing whether the item has a value that is in the set.

Example

```
IF (CLID = 4165355130, 4165355139, 4165355200 ..  
4165355300) THEN  
    ...
```

This tests whether the CLID is any of these values. The left side of the comparison is an item (CLID intrinsic), and the right side is a set (in this example, it is a constant list, including a range, but it can also be a set variable).

Equal**Symbol**

=

Description

The Equal expression compares two values of the same type to see if they are equal or if they are of the same set (list or range).

Not Equal**Symbol**

< >

Description

The Not Equal expression compares two values of the same type to see if the first value is different from the second value, or if the value on the left is not in the set (list or range) of values on the right.

Greater Than**Symbol**

>

Description

The Greater Than expression compares two values of the same type to see if the first value is greater than the second.

Less Than**Symbol**

<

Description

The Less Than expression compares two values of the same type to see if the first value is less than the second value.

Greater Than or Equal**Symbol**

> =

Description

The Greater Than or Equal expression compares two values of the same type to see if the first value is greater than or equal to the second value.

Less Than or Equal

Symbol

< =

Description

The Less Than or Equal expression compares two values of the same type to see if the first value is less than or equal to the second value.

Order of operations

Introduction

When evaluating conditional expressions, the expression with the highest precedence (importance) is evaluated first, then the one with the second highest precedence, and so on, down to the expression with the lowest precedence.

When expressions appear more than once, or when two expressions with equal importance appear in the same expression, they are evaluated from left to right.

Expressions in conditional expressions are evaluated in the following order:

- parentheses ()
- multiplication * and division /
- addition + and subtraction –
- comparison expressions =, < >, >, <, >=, <=
- logical expressions Not, And, Or
- left to right

Note: The expression Not has precedence over the And and Or expressions.

If an expression contains parentheses, the partial expression within the parentheses is resolved first. Then multiplications are resolved, additions, subtractions, and so on.

Example

Compare the results of the following calculations that have the parentheses in different places:

$$2 * 3 + 2 * 3 = 12$$

$$2 * (3 + 2 * 3) = 18$$

$$(2 * 3 + 2) * 3 = 24$$

$$(2 * 3) + (2 * 3) = 12$$

Chapter 11

Applications

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Overview

Introduction

This chapter describes the following topics:

- how to view the list of applications that are defined on the system
- how to view the thresholds assigned to an application
- how to change the threshold class assigned to an application

What is an application?

An application is a unique identifier of a Master or primary script. There are applications for the Master script and for every primary script that it references. Symposium Call Center Server assigns a numerical application ID to each script.

Application IDs are used to identify the script from which call information is collected for reporting purposes. Since a call can pass through many scripts, calls are tracked by the application ID of the primary script that they enter from the Master script.

Symposium Call Center Server collects information and reports for applications to give call center managers specific details about call types, callers, or conditions.

ATTENTION

The maximum number of applications you can configure for Symposium Call Center Server is 505 (including system scripts). If you try to activate more primary scripts than the maximum number of applications configured for your system, the activation request is denied. This prevents Symposium Call Center Server from tracking call information. You can resolve this by either reducing the number of primary scripts or by increasing the number of applications configured for your server.

Viewing and changing applications, thresholds, and classes

Introduction

Use the Applications window to view the list of applications defined on your system. From this window, you can also access the Application Properties page, where you can view the name and the thresholds that apply to an application and change the threshold class assigned to it.

This section describes how to change thresholds in the Classic Client. For information on changing thresholds using the Symposium Web Client, refer to the Symposium Web Client online Help.

What is a threshold class?

There are two types of threshold classes: display and pegging. A display threshold class specifies the fields that apply to an application that you use in a real-time display. First- and second-level thresholds are defined in the class. The field on your real-time display is highlighted if its value falls below the first-level threshold or rises above the second-level threshold.

Pegging thresholds indicate a level that, when surpassed, causes statistics to be logged.

Example

A Short Call pegging threshold is set at 10 seconds. This means that if a caller hangs up within 10 seconds of speaking to an agent, the call is logged as a short call by the system.

For example, a customer inquires about the price of a flight to New York. He speaks to a BestAir sales agent. The agent lists the price of \$199.99. The customer thanks him and hangs up. This call lasted 8 seconds, so it is pegged as a short call.

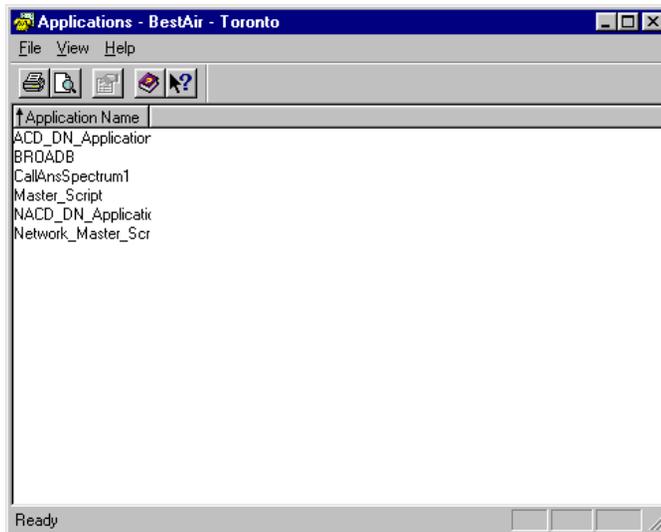
Where to change the thresholds defined in a threshold class

The threshold classes are changed in the Threshold Class window. You must have the proper privileges assigned to change a threshold class. For more information, refer to the *Administrator's Guide*.

To view applications

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Applications.

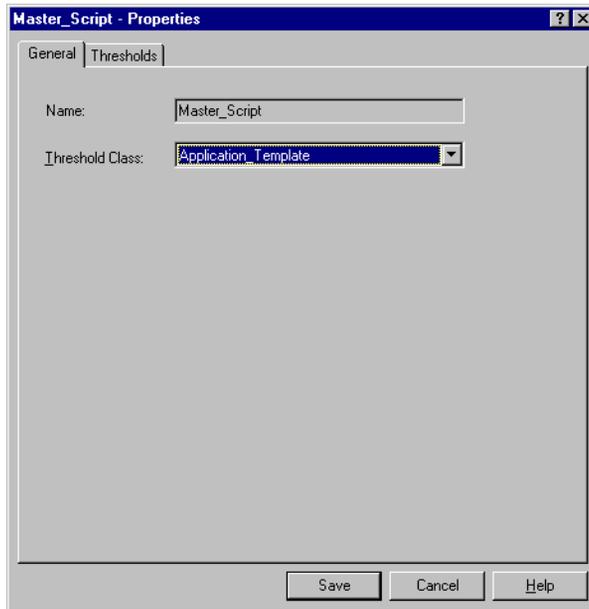
Result: The Applications window appears. This window lists all of the applications defined on your system.



- 2 Select the application that you want to view.

- 3 Choose File → Properties.

Result: The Application Properties property page appears displaying the application name and the threshold class.



To view application thresholds

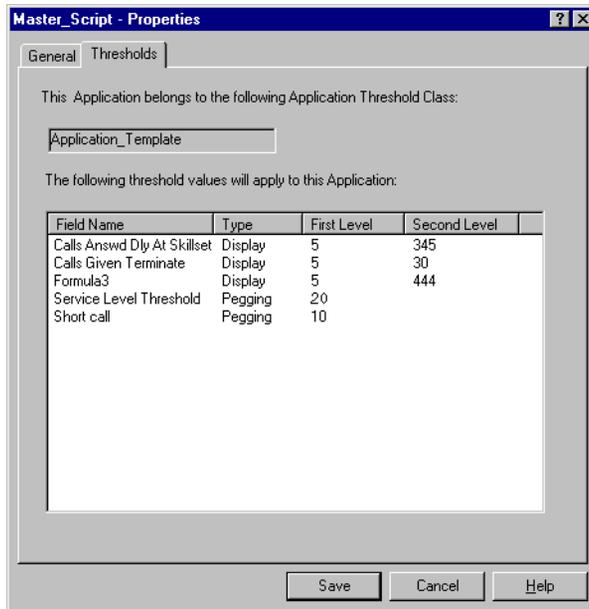
- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Applications.

Result: The Applications window appears.

- 2 Select the application that you want to view.
- 3 Choose File → Properties.

Result: The Application Properties property page appears.

4 Choose the Thresholds tab.



5 Click Save to close the Application Properties property page.

To change threshold classes

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Applications.
Result: The Applications window appears.
- 2 Select the application that you want to change.
- 3 Choose File → Properties.
- 4 The Applications Properties property page appears.
- 5 From the Threshold Class list, select the new threshold class.
- 6 Click Save.

Chapter 12

Using sample scripts

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Overview

Introduction

Nortel Networks provides sample scripts with Symposium Call Center Server to get you started on your server's scripts.

Section A: "Getting started with sample scripts," on page 329, explains how to create the initial scripts that you need to get started, and how to edit the Master script.

The remaining sections list the sample scripts that are included with the Symposium Call Center Server client software, and provide a brief explanation of what each script does.

You can also import sample scripts into the Scripts Editor, and then copy the sections that you need into your own scripts. For more information, see "Importing scripts into Symposium Call Center Server" on page 124, and "Copying text into scripts" on page 115.

Note: The variables used in the sample scripts are examples only. If you use a sample script that contains variables, you have to create and define the variables on your system. For more information, see "Creating script variables" on page 92.

Advanced commands

Some sample scripts use advanced commands. You must purchase the Symposium Call Center Server 200 application package to be able to use advanced commands. For a list of advanced commands that you can use in Symposium Call Center Server, see Chapter 7, "Advanced script commands."

Section A: Getting started with sample scripts

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Overview

Introduction

This section outlines how to begin using sample scripts.

Before you begin

Before you begin using sample scripts, Symposium Call Center Server must be installed and configured. In addition, all system resources such as RAN routes, music routes, voice ports, call treatments, and DNPs must be set up. For more information about setting up these resources, refer to the *Symposium and DMS/MSL-100 Switch Guide*.

All variables, agents, and skillsets also must be created. For more information about creating agents and skillsets, refer to the *Administrator's Guide*.

If you plan to use a third-party IVR system to collect caller-entered data, you must configure the system before you can use the caller-entered data in your scripts. See the documentation that came with your IVR system for more information.

Finally, if you plan to use a third-party screen-pop application, you must set up Meridian Link Services, TAPI, and CTI.

Note: The voice ports and position IDs for the IVR system on the switch must be identical to the configuration on the Symposium Call Center Server.

Variables

The variables used in the sample scripts are examples only. If you use a sample script that contains variables, you have to create and define the variables on your system. For more information, see “Creating script variables” on page 92.

Steps to take

Once your system is configured and you have created all of the variables that you need, complete the following procedures:

- “Creating the initial scripts” on page 332
- “Editing the Master script” on page 335

When you have completed these procedures, you can test the scripts by placing calls to your call center.

Creating the initial scripts

Introduction

This section explains how to create initial scripts from the sample scripts provided with Symposium Call Center Server. Create these scripts to test how calls are handled once they arrive at Symposium Call Center Server.

The sample scripts directory contains a subdirectory named “routing examples.” This directory contains three types of scripts (Master, primary, and secondary) that must reference each other to function properly. You must create and activate one Master script, one primary script, and one secondary script to begin testing call routing in your call center.

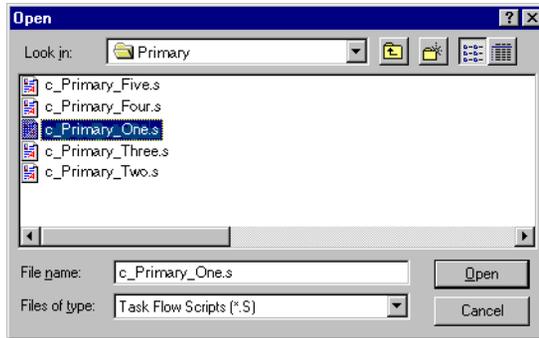
To begin using the routing example sample scripts on your system, create the following scripts:

- c_Primary_One
- c_Common_Secondary

To create and validate initial scripts

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.
Result: The Script Manager appears.
- 2 Choose File → New.
Result: The Script Editor appears.
- 3 Choose File → Import.
Result: A dialog box appears prompting you for the location of the script you want to import.
- 4 Navigate to the directory
C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center
Server\Client\en\script\samples\Routing_Examples\Nodal_Examples\
Primary.

- 5 Select the primary sample script that you want to create. For example, select the script, `c_Primary_One.s`.

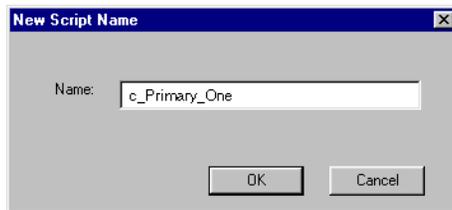


- 6 Click Open to import the script.
- 7 From the Script Editor, choose File → Save.

Result: A dialog box appears asking if you are sure you want to save the script to the server.

- 8 Click OK.

Result: The New Script Name window appears.



- 9 Enter the same name as the sample script, for (example, `c_Primary_One`).

Note: Do not enter the file extensions.

- 10 Click OK.
- 11 From the Script Editor, choose Edit → Validate.

Note: If the validation fails, it can be because of a missing variable or a variable of the wrong type. To find out what variables you need for each script, refer to the script that you want to use in the following sections.

- 12 Next create a secondary script. From the Script Manager, choose File → New.

Result: The Script Editor appears.

- 13 Choose File → Import.

Result: A dialog box appears prompting you for the location of the script you want to import.

- 14 Navigate to the directory
C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center
Server\Client\en\script\samples\Routing_Examples\Nodal_Examples\
Secondary.

- 15 Select the secondary script that you want to create. For example, select the script, c_Common_Secondary.s.

- 16 Click Open to import the script.

- 17 From the Script Editor, choose File → Save.

Result: A dialog box appears asking if you are sure you want to save the script to the server.

- 18 Click OK.

Result: The New Script Name window appears.

- 19 Enter the same name as the sample script, (for example, c_Common_Secondary).

Note: Do not enter the file extensions.

- 20 Click OK.

- 21 From the Script Editor, choose Edit → Validate.

Note: If the validation fails, it may be because of a missing variable or a variable of the wrong type. To find out what variables you need for each script, refer to the script that you want to use in the following sections.

Editing the Master script

Introduction

This section explains how to import the contents of the sample script “c_Master_with_Exception_Checks” into a new script. The script you create serves as the Master script for Symposium Call Center Server.

To edit the Master script

- 1 From the SMI window, choose Call Flow Administration → Scripts.

Result: The Script Manager appears.

- 2 Double-click Master_Script.

Result: The Script Editor appears.

- 3 Choose File → Import.

Result: A dialog box appears prompting you for the location of the script you want to import.

- 4 Navigate to the directory
C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center
Server\Client\en\script\samples\Routing_Examples\Nodal_Examples\
Master.

- 5 Select c_Master_with_Exception_Checks.s.



- 6 Click Open to import the script.

- 7 From the Script Editor, choose File → Activate.

Result: The script is automatically validated. If the validation fails, it may be because of a missing variable, a variable of the wrong type, or a dependent script that has not been validated. To find out what variables you need for each script, refer to the script that you want to use in the following sections.

The `c_Primary_One` and `c_Common_Secondary` scripts are automatically activated.

You can now test your scripts by placing a call to Symposium Call Center Server.

Section B: Common scripts

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Overview

Symposium Call Center Server comes with ten common scripts that you can use in your call center. The sample scripts are located in the directory `C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\Client\en\script\samples\Common\`. The sample scripts serve as primary scripts. You do not need to reference any other scripts to test call routing in your call center when using these scripts.

c_Basic

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if the call center is closed due to a holiday or a weekend, or if it is after business hours. If the call center is open and agents with the required skillset are available to answer the call, it is queued to the skillset, and the caller hears a recorded announcement followed by music.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if agents are still logged on to the skillset. If all agents are logged off, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected; otherwise, the call is requeued to the skillset.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Basic
```

Note: Replace `skillset_sk` with the desired skillset name.

```
Global Variable List: Variable Type:
1. holidays_gv          - DATE      (holiday dates)
2. weekend_gv           - DAY      (contains Saturday
and                               Sunday)
3. closed_hours_gv     - TIME     (value for closed
hours)
4. first_ran           - RAN      (RAN route for first
announcement)
5. second_ran          - RAN      (RAN route for second
announcement)
6. closed_ran          - RAN      (RAN route for night
announcement)
```

```
7. dayclosed_ran      - RAN      (RAN route for day
closed                                     announcement)

8. treatment_timer_gv - SECONDS  (delay time for wait)

9. music_route        - MUSIC     (route number for
music)

*/
```

```
IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekends_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is available */
GIVE RAN first_ran
```

```
SECTION WaitLoop
    GIVE MUSIC music_route
    WAIT treatment_timer_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
```

```
        GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
        DISCONNECT
    ELSE
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
        WAIT 2      /* Allow time in case an agent is
                    available */
    END IF
END IF
GIVE RAN second_ran
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

c_Basic_Backup_Skillset

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if the call center is closed due to a holiday or a weekend, or if it is after business hours. If the call center is open and agents with the required skillset are available to answer the call, it is queued to the skillset, and the caller hears a recorded announcement followed by music.

After 10 seconds, a test is performed to determine if agents are still logged on to the skillset. While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if agents are logged on to the backup skillset. If all agents in the backup skillset are logged off, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected; otherwise, the call is requeued to the skillset.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Basic_Backup_Skillset
```

Note: Replace skillset_sk and backup_skillset_sk with the desired skillset names.

```
Global Variable List: Variable Type:
1. holidays_gv          - DATE      (holiday dates)
2. weekend_gv           - DAY      (contains Saturday
and
Sunday)
3. closed_hours_gv     - TIME     (value for closed
hours)
4. first_ran           - RAN      (audio route for
first
announcement)
```

```

    5. second_ran      - RAN      (audio route for
second                announcement)

    6. closed_ran     - RAN      (audio route for
night                announcement)

    7. dayclosed_ran  - RAN      (audio route for day
                        closed announcement)

    8. treatment_timer_gv - SECONDS (delay time for wait)

    9. music_route    - MUSIC     (audio route number
for                  music)

*/

IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is available */
GIVE RAN first_ran
GIVE MUSIC music_route
WAIT 10

```

```
IF NOT OUT OF SERVICE backup_skillset_sk THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_skillset_sk
    WAIT 2
END IF

SECTION WaitLoop
    WAIT treatment_timer_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
            IF OUT OF SERVICE backup_skillset_sk THEN
                GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
                DISCONNECT
            ELSE
                QUEUE TO SKILLSET backup_skillset_sk
                WAIT 2
            END IF
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
            WAIT 2 /*Allow time in case an agent is
                available*/
        END IF
    END IF
    GIVE RAN second_ran
    GIVE MUSIC music_route
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

c_Basic_with_EWT

Function

In the following script, a number of tests are performed to determine how best to route the call. The script first determines if the call center is closed due to a holiday or weekend, or if it is after business hours. If the call center is open and there are agents with the required skillset available to answer the call, the call is queued to the skillset, and the caller hears a recorded announcement informing him or her of the amount of time they can expect to wait before the call is answered.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if there are still agents logged on to the skillset. If all of the agents are logged off, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected; otherwise, the call is requeued to the skillset.

Script text

```
/* Title:  c_Basic_with_EWT
```

```
Note: Replace skillset_sk with the desired skillset name.
```

Global Variable List:	Variable Type:
1. holidays_gv	- DATE (holiday dates)
2. weekend_gv	- DAY (contains Saturday and Sunday)
3. closed_hours_gv	- TIME (value for closed hours)
4. short_wait_ran	- RAN (audio route for first announcement)
5. medium_wait_ran	- RAN (audio route for first announcement)
6. long_wait_ran	- RAN (audio route for first announcement)

- 7. second_ran - RAN (audio route for second announcement)
- 8. closed_ran - RAN (audio route for night announcement)
- 9. dayclosed_ran - RAN (audio route for day closed announcement)
- 10.treatment_timer_gv - TIME (in seconds)
- 11.music_route - MUSIC (audio route number for music)

Call Variable List: Variable Type:

- 1. expwait_cv - INTEGER or Seconds

*/

```
IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2    /* Allow time in case an agent is available */
```

```
ASSIGN EXPECTED WAIT TIME skillset_sk TO expwait_cv
```

```
IF (expwait_cv < 100) THEN
    GIVE RAN short_wait_ran
ELSE
    IF (expwait_cv < 200) THEN
        GIVE RAN medium_wait_ran
    ELSE
        GIVE RAN long_wait_ran
    END IF
END IF

SECTION WaitLoop
    GIVE MUSIC music_route
    WAIT treatment_timer_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
            GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
            DISCONNECT
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
            WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is
                available */
        END IF
    END IF
    GIVE RAN second_ran
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

c_Call_Data_Assigns_Priority_in_Queue

Function

In the following script, a number of tests are performed to determine how best to route the call. The script firsts determines if the call center is closed due to a holiday or weekend, or if it is after business hours. If the call center is closed and there are no agents with the required skillset available to answer the call, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected.

If the call center is open and there are agents with the required skillset available to answer the call, the call is queued to the skillset with a priority level determined during an IVR session established with the caller.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if there are still agents logged on to the skillset. If all of the agents are logged off, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected; otherwise the call is requeued to the skillset.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Call_Data_used_to_assign_Priority_in_Queue
```

```
Note: Replace skillset_sk with the desired skillset name.
```

```
Global Variable List: Variable Type:
```

- | | |
|--------------------|--|
| 1. holidays_gv | - DATE (holiday dates) |
| 2. weekend_gv | - DAY (contains Saturday and Sunday) |
| 3. closed_hours_gv | - TIME (value for closed hours) |
| 4. CALL DATA 1 | - CALL DATA (values passed from IVR session) |
| 5. first_ran | - RAN (audio route for first announcement) |

- | | |
|-----------------------|---|
| 6. second_ran | - RAN (audio route for second announcement) |
| 7. closed_ran | - RAN (audio route for night announcement) |
| 8. dayclosed_ran | - RAN (audio route for day closed announcement) |
| 9. treatment_timer_gv | - SECONDS (delay time for wait) |
| 10.music_route | - MUSIC (audio route number for music) |

Call Variable List: Variable Type:

- | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. sk_priority_cv | - INTEGER (priority number) |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|

*/

```
IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
WHERE CALL DATA 1 EQUALS
    VALUE <data>:ASSIGN 1 TO sk_priority_cv
    VALUE <data>:ASSIGN 2 TO sk_priority_cv
    VALUE <data>:ASSIGN 3 TO sk_priority_cv
```

```
        DEFAULT:  ASSIGN 4 TO sk_priority_cv
END WHERE

QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk WITH PRIORITY sk_priority_cv
WAIT 2    /* Allow time in case an agent is available */
GIVE RAN first_ran

SECTION WaitLoop
    GIVE MUSIC music_route
    WAIT treatment_timer_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
            GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
            DISCONNECT
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk WITH PRIORITY
            sk_priority_cv
            WAIT 2 /*Allow time in case an agent is
                available */
        END IF
    END IF
    GIVE RAN second_ran
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

c_Emergency_Boolean

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if there is an emergency in the call center. If so, callers receive a recorded announcement and are disconnected. If there is no emergency, and agents with the required skillset are available to answer the call, it is queued to that skillset.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued, and the caller hears a series of recorded announcements. If the call is still in the queue after all of the recorded announcements have played, the caller receives a message informing him or her that all agents are busy, and the call remains in the queue.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Emergency_Boolean
```

Note: Replace `skillset_sk` with desired skillset name.

Global Variable List: Variable Type:

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. emergency_gv | - BOOLEAN (true or false) |
| 2. emerg_ran | - RAN (audio route for announcement) |
| 3. reps_busy_ran | - RAN (audio route for announcement) |
| 4. tip1_ran | - RAN (audio route for announcement) |
| 5. tip2_ran | - RAN (audio route for announcement) |
| 6. still_busy_ran | - RAN (audio route for announcement) |
| 7. day_closed_ran | - RAN (audio route for announcement) |

```
      8. music_soft          - MUSIC (audio route for music)
*/

IF emergency_gv THEN
    GIVE RAN emerg_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    EXECUTE DayClosed
END IF

QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2
GIVE RAN reps_busy_ran

SECTION General
    GIVE MUSIC music_soft
    WAIT 45
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
            EXECUTE DayClosed
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
            WAIT 2
        END IF
    END IF
```

```
GIVE RAN tip1_msg_ran
GIVE MUSIC music_soft
WAIT 60
IF NOT QUEUED THEN
    IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_cv THEN
        EXECUTE DayClosed
    ELSE
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_cv
        WAIT 2
    END IF
END IF
GIVE RAN still_busy_ran
GIVE MUSIC music_soft
WAIT 90
IF NOT QUEUED THEN
    IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_cv THEN
        EXECUTE DayClosed
    ELSE
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_cv
        WAIT 2
    END IF
END IF
GIVE RAN tip2_msg_ran
GIVE MUSIC music_soft
WAIT 60
EXECUTE ClosedCheckLoop
```

SECTION ClosedCheckLoop

```
IF NOT QUEUED THEN
    IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
        EXECUTE DayClosed
    ELSE
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
        WAIT 2
    END IF
END IF
GIVE RAN still_busy_ran
GIVE MUSIC music_soft
WAIT 180
EXECUTE ClosedCheckLoop
```

SECTION DayClosed

```
GIVE RAN day_closed_ran
DISCONNECT
```

c_Emergency_Skillset_Check

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if the call center is closed due to a holiday or a weekend, or if it is after business hours. If so, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected. If the call center is not closed, a test is performed to determine if there is an emergency in the call center. If so, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected.

If the call center is open, there is no emergency, and agents with the required skillset are available to answer the call, it is queued to the skillset.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if agents are still logged on to the skillset. If all agents are logged off, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected; otherwise, the call is requeued to the skillset. If the call is requeued, a test is repeatedly performed to determine if an emergency has been declared while the caller waits in the queue.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Emergency_Skillset_Check
```

Note: Replace skillset_sk with the desired skillset name.

Global Variable List:	Variable Type:
1. holidays_gv	- DATE (holiday dates)
2. weekend_gv	- DAY (contains Saturday and Sunday)
3. closed_hours_gv	- TIME (value for closed hours)
4. emergency_ran	- RAN (audio route for emergency announcement)
5. first_ran	- RAN (audio route for first announcement)

```
6. second_ran          - RAN (audio route for second
                        announcement)
7. closed_ran          - RAN (audio route for night
                        announcement)
8. dayclosed_ran       - RAN (audio route for day closed
                        announcement)
9. treatment_timer_gv  - SECONDS (delay time for wait)
10.music_route         - MUSIC (audio route number for
                        music)

*/
IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF NOT OUT OF SERVICE emergency_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN emergency_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is available */
GIVE RAN first_ran
```

```
SECTION WaitLoop
  GIVE MUSIC music_route
  WAIT treatment_timer_gv
  IF NOT OUT OF SERVICE emergency_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN emergency_ran
    DISCONNECT
  END IF
  IF NOT QUEUED THEN
    IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
      GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
      DISCONNECT
    ELSE
      QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
      WAIT 2      /* Allow time in case an agent is
                  available */
    END IF
  END IF
  GIVE RAN second_ran
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

c_Excess_Call_Volume_Give_Busy

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if the call center's capacity to handle calls has exceeded the specified threshold. If so, callers receive a busy treatment; otherwise, the call is queued to the specified skillset.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Excess_Call_Volume_Give_Busy
```

Global Variable List:	Variable Type:
1. holidays_gv	- DATE (holiday dates)
2. weekend_gv	- DAY (contains Saturday and Sunday)
3. closed_hours_gv	- TIME (value for closed hours)
4. skillset_threshold_gv	- INTEGER (value for set threshold)
5. first_ran	- RAN (audio route for first announcement)
6. second_ran	- RAN (audio route for second announcement)
7. closed_ran	- RAN (audio route for night announcement)
8. dayclosed_ran	- RAN (audio route for day closed announcement)
9. treatment_timer_gv	- SECONDS (delay time for wait)
10. music_route	- MUSIC (audio route number for music)

```
*/  
  
IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
```

```
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT skillset_sk >
skillset_threshold_gv) THEN
    GIVE BUSY
END IF

QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is available */
GIVE RAN first_ran

SECTION WaitLoop]
    GIVE RAN first_ran
    WAIT treatment_timer_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
            GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
            DISCONNECT
        ELSE
```

```
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
        WAIT 2      /* Allow time in case an agent is
                    available */
    END IF
END IF
GIVE RAN second_ran
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

c_Forced_Announcement

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if agents with the required skillset are available to answer the call. If so, the caller hears an entire recorded announcement, and the call is then queued to the skillset.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if agents are still logged on to the skillset. If all agents are logged off, the call is routed to a mailbox and the caller is asked to leave a recorded announcement. If agents are available to answer the call, it is requested to the skillset.

Script text

```
/* Title:  c_Forced_Announcement
```

Global Variable List:	Variable Type:
1. holidays_gv	- DATE (holiday dates)
2. weekend_gv	- DAY (contains Saturday and Sunday)
3. closed_hours_gv	- TIME (value for closed hours)
4. first_ran	- RAN (audio route for announcement)
5. second_ran	- RAN (audio route for announcement)
6. closed_ran	- RAN (audio route for announcement)
7. dayclosed_ran	- RAN (audio route for announcement)
8. music_route	- MUSIC (audio route number for music)
9. treatment_delay_gv	- SECONDS (delay time for wait)

```
*/

IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekends_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

GIVE RAN first_ran
/*This forces the RAN to be heard before queuing a call*/

QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2
GIVE MUSIC music_route

SECTION WaitLoop
    WAIT treatment_delay_gv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
            ROUTE CALL mailbox_gv
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
```

```
                WAIT 2
            END IF
        END IF
        GIVE RAN second_ran
    EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

c_Holiday_Broadcast_Announcement

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if the call center is closed due to a holiday. If so, the caller hears a special holiday announcement. If it is a weekend, or if it is after business hours, the caller hears a recorded announcement informing him or her that the call center is closed. If the call center is open, and agents with the required skillset are available to handle the call, it is queued to the skillset.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if agents are still logged on to the skillset. If all agents are logged off, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected. If agents are available to answer the call, it is requeued to the skillset.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Holiday_Announcement
```

Note: Replace skillset_sk with the desired skillset name.

Global Variable List: Variable Type:

- | | |
|--------------------|--|
| 1. holiday_gv | - DATE of specific holidays |
| 2. closed_hours_gv | - TIME that business is closed |
| 3. weekends_gv | - DAY(s) that business is closed |
| 5. closed_ran | - RAN (audio route for night announcement) |
| 6. holiday_ran | - RAN (audio route for holiday announcement) |
| 7. first_ran | - RAN (audio route for first announcement) |

```
8. second_ran          - RAN (audio route for second
                        announcement)

9. dayclosed_ran       - RAN (audio route for day
                        closed announcement)

10.treatment_timer_gv - SECONDS (delay time for wait)
11.music_route         - MUSIC (audio route for music)

*/

IF (DATE = holiday_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN holiday_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF (DAY OF WEEK = weekends_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN holiday_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is available */
GIVE RAN first_ran

SECTION WaitLoop
```

```
GIVE MUSIC music_route
WAIT treatment_timer_gv
IF NOT QUEUED THEN
    IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
        GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
        DISCONNECT
    ELSE
        QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk
        WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is
                available */
    END IF
END IF
GIVE RAN second_ran
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```

c_Priority_in_Queue_DNIS

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if the call center is closed due to a holiday or a weekend, or if it is after business hours. If the call center is open and agents with the required skillset are available to answer the call, the call is assigned a priority level based on the call's DNIS number, and then queued to the skillset.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if agents are still logged on to the skillset. If all agents are logged off, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected. If agents are available to answer the call, it is requeued to the skillset.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Priority_in_Queue_DNIS
```

Note: Replace skillset_sk with the desired skillset name.

Global Variable List:	Variable Type:
1. holidays_gv	- DATE (holiday dates)
2. weekend_gv	- DAY (contains Saturday and Sunday)
3. closed_hours_gv	- TIME (value for closed hours)
4. dnis_1	- DNIS
5. dnis_2	- DNIS
6. dnis_3	- DNIS
7. first_ran	- RAN (audio route for first announcement)
8. second_ran	- RAN (audio route for second announcement)

- 9. closed_ran - RAN (audio route for night announcement)
- 10. dayclosed_ran - RAN (audio route for day closed announcement)
- 11. treatment_timer_gv - SECONDS (delay time for wait)
- 12. music_route - MUSIC (audio route number for music)

Call Variable List: Variable Type:

- 1. sk_priority_cv - INTEGER priority number

*/

```
IF (DATE = holidays_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekends_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN closed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF
```

```
WHERE DNIS EQUALS
    VALUE dnis_1:    ASSIGN 1 TO sk_priority_cv
    VALUE dnis_2:    ASSIGN 2 TO sk_priority_cv
    VALUE dnis_3:    ASSIGN 3 TO sk_priority_cv
    DEFAULT:        ASSIGN 4 TO sk_priority_cv
```

```
END WHERE
```

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk WITH PRIORITY sk_priority_cv  
WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is available */  
GIVE RAN first_ran
```

```
SECTION WaitLoop
```

```
    GIVE MUSIC music_route  
    WAIT treatment_timer_gv  
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN  
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_sk THEN  
            GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran  
            DISCONNECT  
        ELSE  
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_sk WITH PRIORITY  
                sk_priority_cv  
            WAIT 2 /* Allow time in case an agent is  
                available */  
        END IF  
    END IF  
    GIVE RAN second_ran  
EXECUTE WaitLoop
```


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Overview

These sample scripts are located in the directory C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\Client\en\script\samples\Routing_Examples. This directory contains three types of scripts (Master, primary, and secondary) that must reference each other to function properly. You must create and activate one Master script, one primary script, and one secondary script to begin testing call routing in your call center.

Master scripts

Master scripts are located in the C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\Client\en\script\samples\Routing_Examples\Master directory. If you intend on using any of the Master scripts, it must reference a primary script, which, in turn, must reference a secondary script.

Primary scripts

Primary scripts are located in the C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\Client\en\script\samples\Routing_Examples\Primary directory. If you intend to use any of the scripts, they must be referenced by a Master script, and, in turn, they must reference a secondary script.

Secondary scripts

Secondary scripts are located in the C:\Program Files\Nortel Networks\Symposium Call Center Server\Client\en\script\samples\Routing_Examples\Secondary directory. If you intend to use any of the scripts, they must be referenced by a primary script.

c_Master_with_Exception_Checks

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if the call center is closed due to a holiday, or if there is an emergency in the call center. If the call center is open and there is no emergency, the script determines at which CDN the call arrived. If the call was transferred, the script determines if the transferring agent is still on the line. If so, the script waits for 6 seconds, allowing the agent to hang up. If the agent has hung up or the call was not transferred, a primary script is executed based on the CDN at which the call arrived.

Script text

```
/* Title:  c_Master_Script_with_Exception_Checks
```

Note: Replace <CDN> and <Script_Names> with site specific values.

```

Global Variable List:      Variable Type:
1. holiday_gv              - DATE (holiday dates)
2. spec_holiday_gv        - DATE (special holiday dates)
3. spec_holidayhrs_gv     - TIME (special value for
                           holiday hours)
4. holiday_ran             - RAN (audio route for
                           announcement)
5. emergency_gv           - BOOLEAN (value is normally
                           false)
6. emerg_ran              - RAN (audio route for
                           announcement)

*/
```

```
IF (DATE = holiday_gv)
OR (DATE = spec_holiday_gv AND TIME OF DAY =
spec_holidayhrs_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN holiday_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF emergency_gv THEN
    GIVE RAN emerg_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF CONSULTED THEN
    GIVE RINGBACK
    WAIT 6 /* wait for blind transfer complete */
END IF

WHERE CDN EQUALS
    VALUE <CDN>: EXECUTE SCRIPT <Script_Name>
    VALUE <CDN>: EXECUTE SCRIPT <Script_Name>
```

```
DEFAULT:    ROUTE CALL DEFAULT DN
END WHERE
```

c_Primary_One

Function

This primary script defines the values of call variables, and then directs the call to a common secondary script.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Primary_One

Call Variable List:      Variable Type:
1. ran_cv                - RAN (will hold assigned audio
                           announcement route value)
2. skillset_cv           - SKILLSET (will hold assigned
                           skillset value)
3. time_loop_cv          - SECONDS (will hold value for
                           delay time)

*/

ASSIGN 100 TO ran_cv
ASSIGN A_skillset_sk TO skillset_cv
ASSIGN 20 TO time_loop_cv

EXECUTE SCRIPT c_Common_Secondary
```

c_Primary_Two

Function

This primary script defines the values of call variables, and then directs the call to a common secondary script.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Primary_Two

Call Variable List:      Variable Type:
1. ran_cv                - RAN (will hold assigned audio
                           announcement route value)
2. skillset_cv          - SKILLSET (will hold assigned
                           skillset value)
3. time_loop_cv         - SECONDS (will hold value for
                           delay time)

*/

ASSIGN 101 TO ran_cv
ASSIGN B_skillset_sk TO skillset_cv
ASSIGN 40 TO time_loop_cv

EXECUTE SCRIPT c_Common_Secondary
```

c_Primary_Three

Function

This primary script defines the values of call variables, and then directs the call to a common secondary script.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Primary_Three

Call Variable List:      Variable Type:
1. ran_cv                - RAN (will hold assigned audio
                           announcement route value)
2. skillset_cv           - SKILLSET (will hold assigned
                           skillset value)
3. time_loop_cv          - SECONDS (will hold value for
                           delay time)

*/

ASSIGN 103 TO ran_cv
ASSIGN C_skillset_sk TO skillset_cv
ASSIGN 30 TO time_loop_cv

EXECUTE SCRIPT c_Common_Secondary
```

c_Primary_Four

Function

This primary script defines the values of call variables, and then directs the call to a common secondary script.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Primary_Four

Call Variable List:      Variable Type:
1. ran_cv                - RAN (will hold assigned audio
                           announcement route value)
2. skillset_cv           - SKILLSET (will hold assigned
                           skillset value)
3. time_loop_cv          - SECONDS (will hold value for
                           delay time)

*/

ASSIGN 104 TO ran_cv
ASSIGN D_skillset_sk TO skillset_cv
ASSIGN 50 TO time_loop_cv

EXECUTE SCRIPT c_Common_Secondary
```

c_Primary_Five

Function

This primary script defines the values of call variables, and then directs the call to a common secondary script.

Script text

```
/* Title: c_Primary_Five

Call Variable List:      Variable Type:
1. ran_cv                - RAN (will hold assigned audio
                           announcement route value)
2. skillset_cv           - SKILLSET (will hold assigned
                           skillset value)
3. time_loop_cv          - SECONDS (will hold value for
                           delay time)

*/

ASSIGN 105 TO ran_cv
ASSIGN E_skillset_sk TO skillset_cv
ASSIGN 30 TO time_loop_cv

EXECUTE SCRIPT c_Common_Secondary
```

c_Common_Secondary

Function

In the following script, a test is performed to determine if the call center is closed due to a holiday or weekend, or if it is after business hours. If so, callers hear a recorded announcement and are disconnected; otherwise, callers hear a message informing them that their call may be recorded, and then the call is queued to the appropriate skillset.

While the caller is waiting, the call is repeatedly checked to determine if it is still queued. If not, a test is performed to determine if there are still agents logged on to the skillset. If all of the agents are logged off, the caller hears a recorded announcement and is disconnected. If there are agents available to answer the call, the call is requeued to the skillset.

Script text

```

/* Title: c_Common_Secondary

Global Variable List:      Variable Type:
1. holiday_gv             - DATE (holiday dates)
2. weekend_gv              - DAY (weekend days: Saturday,
                           Sunday)
3. closed_hrs_gv          - TIME (special value for closed
                           hours)
4. nite_ran                - RAN (RAN route for night
                           announcement)
5. wg_theme_gv            - MUSIC (route for music)
6. dayclosed_ran          - RAN (RAN route for day closed
                           announcement)
7. agents_busy_ran        - RAN (RAN route for agents busy
                           announcement)

*/

```

```
IF (DATE = holiday_gv)
OR (DAY OF WEEK = weekend_gv)
OR (TIME OF DAY = closed_hrs_gv) THEN
    GIVE RAN nite_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_cv THEN
    GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
    DISCONNECT
END IF

GIVE RAN ran_cv /* session may be recorded message*/
QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_cv
WAIT 2

SECTION Wait_Loop
    GIVE MUSIC wg_theme_gv
    WAIT time_loop_cv
    IF NOT QUEUED THEN
        IF OUT OF SERVICE skillset_cv THEN
            GIVE RAN dayclosed_ran
            DISCONNECT
        ELSE
            QUEUE TO SKILLSET skillset_cv
            WAIT 2
        END IF
    END IF
```

```
END IF
GIVE RAN agents_busy_ran
EXECUTE Wait_Loop
```


Appendix A

Troubleshooting

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Overview

This appendix provides troubleshooting information and tips in case you experience problems with your scripting process.

Script execution problems

Assigned command fails to change value of a variable

The Assigned command has been changed to the Assign To command. The Assigned command will not execute if used within an Open Voice Session; however, it continues to execute in all other instances. Nortel Networks recommends that you use the Assign To command in your scripts.

The syntax of the Assign To command is: `ASSIGN <value> TO <variable>`. You can only use call variables of type Item.

Script does not validate

If the script executes a series of commands, but then ignores any of the following commands, you might not have included both an opening and a closing marker with comments inserted in the script. Comments included in your scripts must begin with an opening marker (`/*`) and end with a closing marker (`*/`). If you do not include both an opening and a closing marker, the script does not validate.

Callers are caught in an endless loop

A common mistake that scriptwriters make when using loops to give recorded announcements (GIVE RAN) to callers waiting in queue is to forget to include a test to determine if the call has been answered. If queuing fails or if the call is disconnected for some reason, the caller continues to hear a recorded announcement. However, the call is never answered.

It is important to include a test such as using the Queued or the Out of Service intrinsics inside loops. The results of these tests allow you to provide default treatments to the call to ensure that the call is successfully routed. In the following example, a call is queued to the sales skillset, and then the caller is given a recorded announcement. Every 30 seconds, a loop is used to test whether the call is still in queue or if agents are logged on to the sales skillset:

```
QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
WAIT 10
```

```
SECTION LoopForever
  IF NOT QUEUED THEN
    IF OUT OF SERVICE sales_sk THEN
      ROUTE CALL auto_att
    ELSE
      QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
      WAIT 2
    END IF
  END IF
  GIVE RAN please_wait_ran_gv
  WAIT 30
EXECUTE LoopForever
```

Calls are being routed to a default ACD-DN due to a scripting failure

If one of the commands listed below is the first command in a script, Symposium Call Center Server does not take control of the call. The switch routes the call to the default ACD-DN configured for the CDN. (The call is not queued to the default skillset or RAN.) Symposium Call Center Server logs an error to the alarm monitor and event browser:

- WAIT
- QUIT
- GIVE SILENCE
- REMOVE FROM AGENT
- CHANGE PRIORITY IN AGENT
- REMOVE FROM SKILLSET
- CHANGE PRIORITY IN SKILLSET

The call must first be given treatment through the use of any other command before any of the above commands are used in a script.

Calls are not being presented to agents

If calls are not being presented to agents, it might not be the result of a script execution problem. This can be caused by incorrectly configuring the Variable Wrap option. If you are using the Variable Wrap option, agents go into Variable Wrap state after completing a call. (You must configure the length of the variable wrap period on the switch.) When the variable wrap period elapses, agents go into Ready state. If no calls are being presented to agents when they return to Ready state, ensure that you have configured the correct settings for the Variable Wrap option on the switch. For information about how to configure variable wrap, refer to the *Symposium and DMS/MSL-100 Switch Guide*.

Phantom calls

Introduction

A phantom call is a call that is no longer active on the switch, but which the Statistical Data Manager or the call processing subsystem still believes to be active. That is, the server continues to collect statistics for the call, and provide treatments for it.

Diagnosis

If you have calls in your system for a long time, those calls may be phantom calls. However, other conditions, such as improperly written scripts, can result in calls being in the system for a long time.

Note: Calls that are not handled properly in the script (for example, calls that are queued to a skillset that is out of service, or calls that are unqueued) show as Waiting in the application real-time statistics, but not in the skillset real-time statistics.

Check your scripts to make sure that there are no infinite loops, and that no calls are waiting to be queued to skillsets that are out of service. If there are no problems in your scripts, you probably have phantom calls.

Possible causes

Phantom calls can occur if the system is configured incorrectly. Make sure that you

- have installed all of the latest Symposium Call Center Server PEPs and SUs.
- have dedicated voice ports to Symposium Call Center Server. The server must not share voice ports with other applications.

Solution

Verify that your system is configured correctly. (For more information, consult the *Symposium and DMS/MSL-100 Switch Guide*.) If the problem persists, contact Nortel Networks customer support.

List of validation errors

Introduction

This appendix contains a list of errors that you can receive when you validate a script. It lists the error numbers and the text of the error messages, and gives a brief explanation of each error.

Error number	14
Message	An end-of-file is encountered before the comment is terminated with an end-of-comment “*/”.
Meaning	An end-of-comment symbol (*/) is missing. Insert the symbol at the end of commented text.
Error number	15
Message	Syntax error or unsupported command
Meaning	Note: A syntax error can occur when the Script Validator cannot understand a command due to a missing or incorrect keyword. If you cannot see the error in the line of the script indicated by the Script Validator, check the line above for errors. For the correct syntax of commands, use the Script Command Reference panel, or refer to the description of the command as documented in this guide.
Error number	16
Message	An end-of-file is encountered in the script in the middle of a statement.
Meaning	There is an incomplete command in the line indicated by the Script Validator. For the correct syntax of the command, use the Script Command Reference panel, or see Chapter 6, “Basic script commands,” and Chapter 7, “Advanced script commands.”
Error number	17

Message A carriage return is encountered in a string literal before the end quotes.

Meaning A string literal is a string of characters surrounded by quotation marks. For example, "This is a string." There is a hard return inside a string of quoted text. Remove the hard return.

Error number 18

Message An end-of-file is encountered in a string literal before the end quotes.

Meaning A string literal is a string of characters surrounded by quotation marks. For example, "This is a string." An end quote (") is missing from the line indicated by the Script Validator.

Error number 19

Message String literals cannot be longer than 80 characters.

Meaning A string literal is a string of characters surrounded by quotation marks. For example, "This is a string." There are too many characters in the string of text. Reduce the number of characters in the string to 80 or less.

Error number 20

Message Valid integer constants cannot be greater than 1999999999 or less than -1999999999.

Meaning Ensure that the number on the line indicated by the Script Validator is valid.

Error number 21

Message WildCLID constants cannot be longer than 32 digits.

Meaning There is an incorrect WildCLID constant specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the WildCLID constant is 1–32 digits in length.

Error number 22

Message CDN or DNIS range is 10 digits.

Meaning	Ensure that the CDN or DNIS number on the line indicated by the Script Validator is exactly 10 digits in length.
Error number	23
Message	Agent IDs can be maximum 4 digits, skillsets 30.
Meaning	There is an invalid agent ID or skillset specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the agent is not longer than 4 digits, or the skillset is not longer than 30 alphanumeric characters.
Error number	24
Message	Max day of month is 31.
Meaning	There is an invalid day of month specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the day of month is between 1–31.
Error number	25
Message	Time of day ranges from 00:01 to 23:59.
Meaning	There is an invalid time of day specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the time of day is between 00:01 and 23:59.
Error number	26
Message	Time format was incorrect (3 digit hours, and so on).
Meaning	There is an invalid time format specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that you specify the time in the following format: hh:mm For example 05:30
Error number	27
Message	Valid music, RAN, Route number is 0–512.

Meaning	There is an invalid music, RAN, or route number specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the number is between 0–512.
Error number	28
Message	DNs or CLIDs can be max 32 digits.
Meaning	There is an invalid DN or CLID number specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the number is between 1 and 32 digits in length.
Error number	31
Message	Valid priority 1 to 6.
Meaning	There is an invalid priority specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the priority is between 1 and 6.
Error number	32
Message	IDs (variable names) can be 30 characters max.
Meaning	There is an invalid variable name specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the variable name is between 1–30 characters in length.
Error number	33
Message	Incorrect format for WildCLID was used (Wildcards @/? in WildCLID were used improperly.)
Meaning	There is an invalid WildCLID specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. For information about using wildcard characters, see “Wildcards and placeholders” on page 300.
Error number	34
Message	Char not valid in language ({, , and so on) was encountered.
Meaning	There is an invalid character in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Remove invalid characters.

Error number	36
Message	Sets (lists and ranges) must contain elements of the same type, and variables cannot (currently) be mixed with constants, even if they are of the same type.
Meaning	The set of values in the line indicated by the Script Validator contains values of different types, or mixes constants with variables. Make sure that all of the values are the same type, and remove either the constants or the variables.
Error number	37
Message	The variable specified is not the expected type.
Meaning	The variable in the line indicated by the Script Validator is not the correct type. Use a different variable, or change the variable type. For more information, see Chapter 4, “Working with script variables.”
Error number	39
Message	An Execute statement references a non-existent label.
Meaning	There is an Execute statement in the line specified by the Script Validator that references a section that does not exist. Make sure that the section exists, and that it is referenced correctly (that is, exact spelling) by the Execute statement.
Error number	40
Message	A label is defined in more than one place.
Meaning	There is a section name that is repeated in the script. Rename one of the sections.
Error number	41
Message	In the Event Handler, no event can be “handled” more than once.
Meaning	An event is repeated in the Event Handler statement. Remove the repeated event.

Error number	42
Message	This statement cannot be the first statement in a script.
Meaning	There is an invalid first statement in the script. For a list of statements that cannot be used as the first statements in a script, see “First command rule” on page 56.
Error number	44
Message	A set (variable or constant) cannot be used in a prompt.
Meaning	You can only use a variable of class Item or a single constant number for a prompt. If you are using a variable for the prompt indicated (by line number) by the Script Validator, make sure its class is set to Item.
Error number	47
Message	Day in date is invalid (three digits, and so on).
Meaning	There is an invalid day specified in the date. Make sure that the correct day is specified. It should contain no more than 2 digits. Valid date formats are as follows: May 4, 16 July, Dec 13
Error number	49
Message	Invalid date for month specified.
Meaning	The date specified for the month in the line indicated by the Script Validator is invalid. For example, Feb. 30 and Nov. 31 are invalid. Make sure that you specify the correct date.
Error number	50
Message	Max 20 agents IDs in set (list).
Meaning	There are too many agent IDs in the list specified by the Script Validator (by line number). Make sure that the list contains no more than 20 agent IDs.
Error number	51

Meaning Too many skillsets are listed for this command.

Meaning Too many skillsets are listed in the line indicated. Skillset-related commands can use no more than 20 skillsets in the list of skillsets. If the command relates to an NSBR feature (Meridian 1/Succession 1000 only), no more than ten skillsets can be listed.

Error number 52

Message Invalid type in Unary Minus operation.

Meaning A Unary Minus operation is an operation in which you change the sign of a mathematical expression using a minus sign (–) in front of the expression. (For example, ASSIGN –variable2 TO variable1.) The variable being negated must be type Integer or Seconds.

Error number 53

Message Invalid type (left side) in Addition operation.

Meaning The value on the left side of the Addition operation is invalid. The left and right sides must be type Integer or Seconds. For more information, see “Mathematical expressions” on page 314.

Error number 54

Message Invalid type (right side) in Addition operation.

Meaning The value on the right side of the Addition operation is invalid. The left and right sides must be type Integer or Seconds. For more information, see “Mathematical expressions” on page 314.

Error number 55

Message Invalid type (left side) in Subtraction operation.

Meaning The value on the left side of the Subtraction operation is invalid. The left and right sides must be type Integer or Seconds. For more information, see “Mathematical expressions” on page 314.

Error number 56

Message Invalid type (right side) in Subtraction operation.

Meaning The value on the right side of the Subtraction operation is invalid. The left and right sides must be type Integer or Seconds. For more information, see “Mathematical expressions” on page 314.

Error number 57

Message Invalid type (left side) in Multiplication operation.

Meaning The value on the left side of the Multiplication operation is invalid. The left and right sides must be type Integer or Seconds. For more information, see “Mathematical expressions” on page 314.

Error number 58

Message Invalid type (right side) in Multiplication operation.

Meaning The value on the right side of the Multiplication operation is invalid. The left and right sides must be type Integer or Seconds. For more information, see “Mathematical expressions” on page 314.

Error number 59

Message Invalid type (left side) in Division operation.

Meaning The value on the left side of the Division operation is invalid. The left and right sides must be type Integer or Seconds. For more information, see “Mathematical expressions” on page 314.

Error number 60

Message Invalid type (right side) in Division operation.

Meaning The value on the right side of the Division operation is invalid. The left and right sides must be type Integer or Seconds. For more information, see “Mathematical expressions” on page 314.

Error number 61

Message Sets (left side) are not allowed in Addition operations.

Meaning	A set (that is, more than one value) is included in the Addition operation. This is invalid. Ensure that there is only one value. If there is a variable on the left side of the equation, ensure that the class of the variable is set to Item.
Error number	62
Message	Sets (right side) are not allowed in Addition operations.
Meaning	A set (that is, more than one value) is included in the Addition operation. This is invalid. Ensure that there is only one value. If there is a variable on the right side of the equation, ensure that the class of the variable is set to Item.
Error number	80
Message	Incompatible types in Less Than or Equal To relational expression.
Meaning	The values in the Less Than or Equal To expression cannot be compared. Only types Integer and Seconds are allowed. For more information, see “Relational expressions” on page 316.
Error number	81
Message	Incompatible types in Greater Than relational expression.
Meaning	The values in the Greater Than expression cannot be compared. Only types Integer and Seconds are allowed. For more information, see “Relational expressions” on page 316.
Error number	82
Message	Incompatible types in Greater Than or Equal To relational expression.
Meaning	The values in the Greater Than or Equal To expression cannot be compared. Only types Integer and Seconds are allowed. For more information, see “Relational expressions” on page 316.
Error number	83
Message	Constants in range must be of same type.

Meaning Both ends in the range are not the same type. (For example, Monday .. March is an invalid range because both ends of the range are not the same type.) Make sure that all of the values in the range are the same type.

Error number 84

Message In a Where-Equals statement the Where expression must be of the same type as the value lists.

Meaning Either the Where statement or one of the value statements in the Where-Equals command contains data of the wrong type. The Where value must be the same type as the values in the values list. For more information, see “Where-Equals” on page 210.

Error number 85

Message The Where expression in the Where-Equals statement cannot be a set.

Meaning The Where statement in the line indicated by the Script Validator contains invalid data. Make sure that the value in the Where statement is a single value only. Sets of values are not allowed. If you are using a variable, make sure that its class is set to Item.

Error number 86

Message Sets cannot be used on the left side of the Equal To operator.

Meaning The Equal To operator in the line indicated by the Script Validator contains invalid data. Make sure that the value on the left side of the operator is a single value only. Sets of values are not allowed. If you are using a variable, make sure that its class is set to Item.

Error number 87

Message Sets cannot be used on the left side of the Not Equal To operator.

Meaning The Not Equal To operator in the line indicated by the Script Validator contains invalid data. Make sure that the value on the left side of the operator is a single value only. Sets of values are not allowed.

Error number	88
Message	WildCLID constants are not allowed to be assigned to call variables in an Assign To command.
Meaning	The Assign To command in the line indicated by the Script Validator contains an invalid value. Do not use a WildCLID with the Assign To command.
Error number	89
Message	A set cannot be assigned to a call variable in an Assign To command.
Meaning	The Assign To command in the line indicated by the Script Validator contains an invalid value. Make sure that a single value only is assigned to the call variable. Sets of values are not allowed.
Error number	90
Message	Variable cannot be in a set.
Meaning	One of the following problems is indicated: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The variable class is set to Set, but the variable is of a type that is not allowed to be a set (for example, Boolean).• The command does not allow the use of a variable whose class is set to Set, or a constant list, or range.
Error number	91
Message	Unknown variable type.
Meaning	The variable in the line indicated by the Script Validator is not defined or is of an unknown type. Make sure that the variable has been created properly and is the correct type for the command. If this error still appears after revalidating the script, it can indicate a product problem. If this problem persists, you should report this error to your Nortel Networks customer support representative.
Error number	92
Message	Incompatible types in Assign To command.

Meaning	The values in the Assign To command in the line indicated by the Script Validator are not compatible. For more information, see “Assign To” on page 150.
Error number	95
Message	<MaxDigits> cannot be a set type.
Meaning	The maximum digits parameter must be a single value. Make sure that you have only one value (not a set of values) specified. If you are using a variable to indicate the number of digits, make sure that the class is set to Item.
Error number	97
Message	An undefined skillset is used.
Meaning	An invalid skillset is specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the skillset exists, and is properly referenced in the script. If you are using a variable, make sure that it has been created, that it is type Skillset, and that its value is a valid skillset.
Error number	98
Message	An undefined agent ID is used.
Meaning	One of the following problems has occurred: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ A variable in the line indicated by the Script Validator has not been defined. This variable is expected to be type Agent.■ No agent is defined with the agent login ID specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the agent exists and has the correct ID assigned. If you are using a variable, ensure that it has been defined correctly and is type Agent ID.
Error number	99
Message	An undefined script is referenced in the Execute Script command.

Meaning There is an invalid script name in the Execute Script command in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the script exists, and that it is properly referenced (that is, it uses correct spelling) in the Execute Script command.

Error number 100

Message An undefined identifier is encountered.

Meaning This error occurs when a name (or an “identifier”) is used in the script, but there is no skillset, variable, or script defined in the system with this name.

Error number 102

Message Illegal statement is used in Event statement.

Meaning There is an invalid statement in the Event Handler. For a list of valid statements that you can use in the Event Handler, see “Event Handler” on page 203.

Error number 106

Message Division by zero is not allowed.

Meaning There is an error in the division operation in the line indicated by the Script Validator. You cannot divide by zero.

Error number 107

Message An Execute/Section label should not be the same as a variable name or a skillset name.

Meaning Change the name of the Section label in the line indicated by the Script Validator so that it is not the same as a skillset or variable name. The system is case-insensitive, so the label names must differ by more than just the case of the letters.

Error number 108

Message	Only call variables can be used on the left side of the Assign To command.
Meaning	The variable used with the Assign To command in the line indicated by the Script Validator is a global variable. This is not allowed. You must delete the variable and create it again, this time choosing Call as the variable type. For more information, see “To add variables” on page 93.
Error number	109
Message	The variables used in Third Party statements (Send Info, Send Request, Get Response) cannot be sets.
Meaning	The variable class for the Send Info, Send Request, or Get Response variable should be set to Item.
Error number	111
Message	A Get Response statement must appear immediately after a Send Request statement.
Meaning	A Get Response statement is missing after the Send Request statement. For more information, see “Get Response” on page 226.
Error number	112
Message	No more than ten variables are allowed as parameters in each Third Party statement.
Meaning	There are too many variables listed in the Send Info, Send Request, or Get Response command in the line number indicated by the Script Validator. Remove as many variables as necessary.
Error number	113
Message	Third Party variables can be of the following types: CLID, CDN, DNIS, String, Integer.
Meaning	The variable in the line indicated by the Script Validator is the wrong type. Change the type to one of those listed above. For more information, see “To change variable properties” on page 102.

Error number	114
Message	Invalid use of keywords or punctuation.
Meaning	The line indicated by the Script Validator contains an invalid keyword or invalid punctuation. For the correct syntax of a command, use the Script Command Reference panel, or see Chapter 6, “Basic script commands,” and Chapter 7, “Advanced script commands.”
Error number	115
Message	Missing parentheses.
Meaning	A parenthesis is missing in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Insert the parenthesis where appropriate.
Error number	116
Message	Only variables of Boolean type are allowed.
Meaning	The variable in the line indicated by the Script Validator should be a Boolean-type variable. For more information, see “To change variable properties” on page 102.
Error number	117
Message	Invalid Boolean value. Must be True/1 or False/0.
Meaning	In a Where-Equals command, if you are using a Boolean-type variable for the expression, the Value clauses must also be Boolean. However, the system also allows you to use a constant 1 or 0 to represent True or False. No other constants are allowed.
Error number	118
Message	Timer variable must be seconds type.
Meaning	The timer variable in the line indicated by the Script Validator should be a Seconds-type variable.
Error number	120

Message Only variables of DN type are allowed. Variables cannot be sets.

Meaning The variable type in the line indicated by the Script Validator is invalid. The variables indicated must be DN type. The class must be set to Item. For more information, see “To change variable properties” on page 102.

Error number 121

Message Statement is part of the Advanced Script Elements package. Package not purchased.

Meaning The script command in the line indicated by the Script Validator is an advanced command. You must purchase the Nortel Networks Symposium Call Center Server 200 application software package to use advanced commands.

Error number 122

Message Advanced Scripts Package Query failed.

Meaning This error can indicate a server installation problem. Try to revalidate the script. If the problem persists, contact your Nortel Networks customer support representative.

Error number 123

Message No Send Request before Get Response.

Meaning A Send Request statement is missing before the Get Response statement. For more information, see “Send Request” on page 224.

Error number 124

Message Invalid value assigned to this variable. Check limit for variables of this type.

Meaning The value assigned to the variable in the line indicated by the Script Validator is invalid. Change the value of the variable. For more information, see “To assign a set of values” on page 96.

Error number	125
Message	Range of seconds is 0–65535.
Meaning	An incorrect number of seconds is specified in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the number of seconds you specify is between 0–65535.
Error number	126
Message	Treatment range is 1–10 digits.
Meaning	There is an incorrect treatment number in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the treatment number is 1–7 digits in length.
Error number	127
Message	ACD range is 2–10 digits.
Meaning	There is an incorrect ACD number in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the ACD is 2–7 digits in length.
Error number	128
Message	Variables used in this context must be Boolean.
Meaning	There is an invalid variable type in the line indicated by the Script Validator. Make sure that the variable is a Boolean-type (that is, has a True or False value) variable.
Error number	129
Message	Numbers cannot be greater than 32 digits.
Meaning	The number in the line indicated by the Script Validator is not valid. Make sure that it is no longer than 32 digits.
Error number	130
Message	Agent ID expression cannot be compared with constant ranges. Use variable instead.

Meaning	An expression or a statement with a return type of Agent ID cannot be compared with a list of constant Agent ID values or a range of Agent ID values. That is, IF LONGEST IDLE AGENT skillset1 = 1111, 2222 is not allowed. Use a set type variable instead.
Error number	131
Message	Statement is part of Host Data Exchange API feature. Feature not purchased or error accessing database.
Meaning	A third-party statement (SEND INFO, SEND REQUEST, GET RESPONSE) was encountered in the script. Either the feature has not been purchased by the customer or there was a database error accessing the features purchased.
Error number	137
Message	Call Center Manager feature not purchased or error accessing database.
Meaning	The package that includes the set of basic features for the system to work has not been purchased by the customer or there was a database error accessing the features purchased.
Error number	138
Message	Intrinsic not supported for ICM protocol.
Meaning	An intrinsic statement not supported for the ICM protocol was encountered in the script.
Error number	139
Message	Call Data index out of range. Valid range is 1 .. 10.
Meaning	The value of the Call Data intrinsic is incorrect. Ensure that the value is an integer between 1–10.
Error number	141
Message	Incomplete comment. Check that a previous comment was terminated properly.

Meaning “/*” specifies the beginning of a comment and “*/” specifies the end of a comment. This error is logged when a comment is not terminated properly or another comment is started before ending a previous comment.

Error number 143

Message A Wildcard constant/variable cannot be used on the LHS of an Equal comparison statement.

Meaning In an IF Statement comparison, a wildcard (constant or a variable) cannot be on the left side of the “=”. That is, IF @23 = c_wildcard THEN... is not allowed.

Error number 144

Message A Wildcard constant/variable cannot be used on the LHS of a Not Equal comparison statement.

Meaning In an IF Statement comparison, a wildcard (constant or a variable) cannot be on the left side of the “<>”. That is, IF @23 <> c_wildcard THEN... is not allowed.

Error number 145

Message A Wildcard constant/variable cannot be used in the <exp> in a WHERE <exp> EQUALS statement.

Meaning In a WHERE Statement, a wildcard (constant or a variable) cannot be in the <exp>. That is, WHERE c_wildcard EQUALS ... is not allowed.

Validation option rules

Introduction

This section of the appendix contains a list of errors that you may receive if you configure the Validation Options dialog box to inform you when you are breaking scriptwriting rules. It lists the rule numbers, provides the text of the error messages, and gives tips on how to avoid breaking rules.

Rule number	1
Message	Scripts cannot begin with this command.
Tip	Please choose a different command as the first command in the script.
Rule number	2
Message	Any statements following this command will be ignored.
Tip	Please remove all statements after this command.
Rule number	3
Message	This statement must be the first statement in the script
Tip	Please move this statement to the beginning of the script.
Rule number	4
Message	This clause should be included in WHERE...EQUALS element.
Tip	Please insert DEFAULT clause into WHERE...EQUALS element.
Rule number	5
Message	This command must not be followed by a GIVE BUSY or GIVE OVERFLOW command.
Tip	Please remove GIVE BUSY or GIVE OVERFLOW or insert another command before it.

Rule number	6
Message	Code structure tip
Tip	You can simplify this statement similar to the following: IF OUT OF SERVICE <skillset_1>, <skillset_2>, <skillset 3>,...THEN...
Rule number	8
Message	You should use the OUT OF SERVICE <skillset> intrinsic to test the skillset queue before the QUEUE TO SKILLSET command.
Tip	This can be done by inserting IF NOT OUT OF SERVICE <skillset> THEN before the QUEUE TO SKILLSET command.
Rule number	9
Message	Loops must contain at least one statement that suspends script execution for a finite time, such as WAIT or an announcement treatment.
Tip	This can be done by inserting a WAIT command or an announcement treatment inside the loop.
Rule number	10
Message	Loops must have an exit so that they will not loop indefinitely if the call is not queued.
Tip	This can be done by inserting a test of the QUEUED intrinsic or AGE OF CALL intrinsic, and jump out of the loop if the call is not queued.
Rule number	11
Message	There must be a WAIT command immediately following a QUEUE TO commands.
Tip	Please insert WAIT 2 (minimum) after the QUEUE TO command.
Rule number	12

Message After a `QUEUE TO SKILLSET` command has been executed, it is not necessary to execute it again for the same skillset, unless the next `QUEUE TO SKILLSET` command follows an `IF NOT QUEUED THEN` statement.

Tip Please remove the duplicate `QUEUE TO SKILLSET` command or insert an `IF NOT QUEUED THEN` statement before it.

Rule number 13

Message Once a `QUEUE TO AGENT` has been executed, there is no need to execute it again for the same agent, unless the second (or next) `QUEUE TO AGENT` follows an `IF NOT QUEUED THEN` statement.

Tip Please remove the duplicate `QUEUE TO AGENT` command or insert an `IF NOT QUEUED THEN` statement before it.

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The keywords listed in this section are reserved within Symposium Call Center Server's scripting language. Do not use them as user-defined names or labels.

ABANDON	CALL	DIRECT	FRENCH
ACD	CALLS	DISCONNECT	FRIDAY
ACTIVE	CDN	DISTURB	FROM
AGE	CHANGE	DN	GERMAN
AGENT	CHARACTER	DNIS	GET
AGENTS	CHINESE	DO	GIVE
AHEAD	CLID	ELSE	HANDLER
AND	CONSULTED	END	HOLD
ANSWER	CONTINUOUS	ENGLISH	ID
ANSWERED	COUNT	EQUALS	IDLE
APPLICATION	DATA	EVENT	IF
APR	DATE	EXECUTE	IN
APRIL	DAY	EXPECTED	INCOMING
ASSIGN	DEC	FAIL	INFO
ASSIGNED	DECEMBER	FALSE	INTER
AUG	DEFAULT	FEB	INTO
AUGUST	DEQUEUE	FEBRUARY	IVR
AVERAGE	DIALED	FOR	JAN
BUSY	DIGIT	FOREVER	JANUARY
BY	DIGITS	FORWARD	JAPANESE

JUL	NOT	QUEUES	SILENCE
JULY	NOV	QUIT	SKILLSET
JUN	NOVEMBER	RAN	SPANISH
JUNE	NPA	RATE	SPEED
LANGUAGE	NPANXX	RECEIVED	SUCCESS
LEAST	NUMBER	RELEASED	SUNDAY
LOC	NUMBERBYDIGIT	REMOVE	TERMINATING
LOCATION	NXX	REQUEST	THEN
LOG	OCT	RESPONSE	THURSDAY
LOGGED	OCTOBER	RETRIEVE	TIME
LONGEST	OF	RETURN	TIMEOUT
MAR	OLDEST	RINGBACK	TIMER
MARCH	ON	RINGING	TO
MAY	OPEN	ROUTE	TOTAL
MONDAY	OR	SATURDAY	TRUE
MONTH	OUT	SCRIPT	TUESDAY
MOST	OVERFLOW	SECTION	TYPE
MUSIC	PORTUGUESE	SEND	VALUE
NACD	POSITION	SEP	VOICE
NAME	PRESENT	SEPTEMBER	WAIT
NIGHT	PRIORITY	SERVICE	WAITING
NO	QUEUE	SESSION	WEDNESDAY
NON	QUEUED	SET	WEEK

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Operators

You can use operators to compare data. This enables you to write expressions in your scripts that test for different conditions, and then perform a specific action depending on the condition. Use parentheses () to define the initial order in which expressions are evaluated. The three types of operators listed below are evaluated in the order given, and from left to right within the expression.

Logical operators	NOT AND OR
Mathematical operators	Multiplication * and Division / Addition + and Subtraction -
Relational operators	Equal = Not Equal <> Greater Than > Less Than < Greater Than or Equal >= Less Than or Equal <=

Do's and Don'ts

Do

- Always use the QUEUED intrinsic in a loop to check the condition of the call. This ensures that a call does not remain in the queue if all of the agents in a specified skillset log off before the call is answered.
- Use the LOG command only within an error handler; otherwise, it uses extensive system resources.
- If you execute a GIVE MUSIC command and then play a recorded announcement {GIVE RAN} to a caller, you must execute a second GIVE MUSIC command after the announcement. Otherwise, music does not resume automatically after the announcement.

DON'T

- Use any command after QUIT, unless the command is within a SECTION label that is referenced earlier in the script.
- Use the GIVE BUSY or GIVE OVERFLOW commands after providing treatment to a call after any command that generates an automatic ringback to the call.
- Use any of the following as the first command executed in a script:

WAIT	REMOVE FROM NETWORK SKILLSET
QUIT	CHANGE PRIORITY IN NACD
GIVE SILENCE	CHANGE PRIORITY IN NETWORK SKILLSET
REMOVE FROM SKILLSET	COLLECT DIGITS

Intrinsics

Intrinsics are words or phrases that serve as placeholders, and retrieve information about skillsets, agents, time, traffic, and call type. Intrinsics enable you to query, but not modify, this information, and then use the returned value in formulas and decision-making statements.

Skillset intrinsics

Skillset intrinsics store information about skillsets. They can then be used in queuing commands and conditional expressions. Skillset intrinsics return skillsets, integer values, and agent IDs that can be evaluated in conditional expressions. When using skillset intrinsics, if you specify more than one skillset, the intrinsic returns the maximum or minimum skillset value, or the sum of all skillset values, depending on the intrinsic you choose.

Skillset intrinsics	Description
ANSWERED CALL COUNT	The total number of incoming calls for the specified skillset that have been answered during a specific time period. You can use the Real-Time Statistics property sheet to select the number of calls answered in the last 10 minutes of system activity, or the number of calls answered during a specific interval (for example, every 30 minutes).
AVERAGE SPEED ANSWER	The average speed a call for the specified skillset is answered based on the priority it is given when it enters the system. You can use the Real-Time Statistics property sheet to select the average speed calls are answered in the last 10 minutes of system activity, or the average speed calls are answered during a specific interval (for example, every 30 minutes).
EXPECTED WAIT TIME	The amount of time a call is expected to wait in the specified skillset queue before being presented to an agent.
IDLE AGENT	Determines if the specified agent is idle.

IDLE AGENT COUNT	The number of idle agents in the specified skillset.
LOGGED AGENT COUNT	The number of logged on agents in the specified skillset.
LOGGED OUT AGENT	Determines if the specified agent or agents are logged off.
LONGEST IDLE AGENT	The agent in the specified skillset who has been idle the longest. You can use the Global Settings window to select the longest idle agent since his or her last call was completed, since the agent's status changed, or since the agent logged on.
MOST LOGGED AGENTS	The skillset with the most logged on agents.
OLDEST CALL	The age of the call that has waited longest in the specified skillset.
OUT OF SERVICE	Determines if the specified skillset or skillsets are out of service.
POSITION IN QUEUE	The position of the call in queue for the specified skillset.
PRIORITY IN QUEUE	The priority of the call in the queue.
QUEUED CALL COUNT	The number of calls queued to the specified skillset that are waiting to be answered.

Example

In the following example, the script performs a test to determine if there are enough agents logged on with the sales skillset to handle the current call volume. If not, the caller receives a busy tone:

```
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT sales_sk)>(2*LOGGED AGENT COUNT
sales_sk) THEN
    GIVE BUSY
END IF
```

```

QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk

WAIT 2

```

Time intrinsics

Time intrinsics store information about system time. Time intrinsics return specific times, days, months, and dates.

Time intrinsics	Description
TIME OF DAY	The current time of day.
DAY OF WEEK	The current day of the week.
DATE	The current date.
DAY OF MONTH	The current day of the month.
MONTH OF YEAR	The current month of the year.

Example

In the following example, calls entering the call center after regular business hours receive a recorded announcement stating that the call center is closed:

```

IF (TIME OF DAY = closed_hours_gv) THEN

    GIVE RAN closed_ran_gv

END IF

```

Traffic intrinsics

Traffic intrinsics store information about system traffic. Traffic intrinsics return numerical values.

Traffic intrinsics	Description
CALL RATE	The number of calls that have entered the system during a specific 10-minute period.

TOTAL ACTIVE CALLS	The total number of calls in the system.
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Example

In the following example, if the number of calls in queue exceeds 200, then callers receive an “overflow” treatment, such as a fast busy tone. If the number of calls in queue is less than or equal to 200, then calls are queued to agents assigned to the service skillset:

```

IF (TOTAL ACTIVE CALLS > 200) THEN

    GIVE OVERFLOW

ELSE

    QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk

    WAIT 2

END IF

```

Call intrinsic

Call intrinsic are recreated and maintained automatically by Symposium Call Center Server. Call intrinsic store call-related information that is assigned immediately when the call enters the DMS/MSL-100 switch. You can use call intrinsic to track the path a call follows as it is processed by Symposium Call Center Server.

Call Intrinsic	Description
AGE OF CALL	The age of the call.
CALL DATA	Contains data entered by the caller from the phoneset keys during IVR interaction.
CALL FORWARD	Determines if the call has been forwarded.
CALL FORWARD BUSY	Determines if the call has been forwarded because the phone at the original destination was busy.

Call Intrinsic	Description
CALL FORWARD DO NOT DISTURB	Determines if the call has been forwarded due to a do not disturb condition at the destination.
CALL FORWARD NO ANSWER	Determines if the call has been forwarded because no one answered the phone at the original destination.
CDN	The controlled directory number the current call entered.
CLID	The calling line identification number of the current call.
CONFERENCED	Determines if the call is a consultative call.
DIALED DN	The number that the caller originally dialed. This applies only to forwarded calls.
DIRECT CALL	Determines if the call is a consultative call.
DNIS	The first number that the caller dialed to enter the system.
QUEUED	Determines if the call is queued in any skillsets.

Example

In the following example, the script performs a test to determine if the call has been queued. The script then performs a second test to determine if there are qualified agents available to answer the call. If the call is not queued or there are no qualified agents available to answer the call, the caller hears a recorded announcement, and then the caller is disconnected. Otherwise, the call is requeued to the sales skillset.

```
IF NOT QUEUED THEN
  IF OUT OF SERVICE sales_sk THEN
```

```
GIVE RAN night_ran_gv  
DISCONNECT
```

```
ELSE
```

```
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk  
    WAIT 2
```

```
END IF
```

```
END IF
```

Script commands

Script commands perform distinct functions, such as routing a call to a specific destination, playing music or recorded announcements to a caller, or disconnecting a nuisance caller. Commands are made up of combinations of intrinsics, constants, variables, and expressions.

Basic General commands

Basic General commands perform simple functions, such as assigning values to variables, branching to subscripts, and performing conditional tests.

Element	Purpose
ASSIGN TO	Assign a value to a call variable.
EXECUTE	Branch to a section in the current script.
EXECUTE SCRIPT	Branch from one script to another.
IF-THEN-END IF	Execute script events based on conditional tests.
IF-THEN-ELSE-END IF	Execute script events based on conditional tests.
QUIT	Terminate the execution of the script.
SECTION	Define a section of commands.
WAIT	Suspend a script for a period of time before executing one or more commands.

Example

In the following example, if the number of calls queued to the sales skillset exceeds 20, then the caller receives a busy signal. If the number of calls queued to the sales skillset is less than or equal to 20, then the call is queued to the sales skillset:

```
IF (QUEUED CALL COUNT sales_sk > 20) THEN
  GIVE BUSY
```

ELSE

QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk

WAIT 2

END IF

Basic Call Processing commands

Basic Call Processing commands perform functions, such as queuing calls and providing treatments to calls.

Element	Purpose
CHANGE PRIORITY IN AGENT	Changes the priority of a call that is queued to the specified agent.
CHANGE PRIORITY IN SKILLSET	Changes the priority of a call that is queued to the specified skillset.
DISCONNECT	Disconnects a call.
GIVE BUSY	Provides a busy tone to a call before it is disconnected by the switch.
GIVE MUSIC	Plays music from a specified music route.
GIVE OVERFLOW	Provides an overflow tone to a call before it is disconnected by the switch.
GIVE RAN	Provides a recorded announcement to a call through the specified RAN trunk.
GIVE RINGBACK	Provides a ringback tone to a call.
GIVE SILENCE	Provides silence to a call.
QUEUE TO AGENT	Presents a call to a local agent.
QUEUE TO SKILLSET	Queues call to a local skillset.
REMOVE FROM AGENT	Removes a queued call from the specified agent.

REMOVE FROM SKILLSET	Removes a queued call from a skillset or skillsets.
ROUTE CALL	Routes a call to a specific destination.

Example

In the following example, the script checks whether the number of idle agents assigned to the sales skillset is greater than 0. If so, then the call is queued to the sales skillset. If the number of idle agents assigned to the sales skillset is 0, then calls are queued to agents assigned to the service skillset:

```
IF (IDLE AGENT COUNT sales_sk > 20) THEN
    QUEUE TO SKILLSET sales_sk
    WAIT 2

ELSE

    QUEUE TO SKILLSET service_sk
    WAIT 2

END IF
```

Advanced Scripts commands

The EVENT HANDLER and LOG commands listed below are used to give the script instructions to manage unexpected conditions that can occur during a call, such as the call being abandoned or a RAN response failure. The WHERE EQUALS command is used where a condition can have more than one expected result.

Element	Purpose
EVENT HANDLER	A command or group of commands used to manage unexpected conditions or failed events.
LOG	Logs a message to the Event Browser.
WHERE EQUALS	Tests for a condition that can have more than one expected result. The resulting action is based on which condition is met.

Example

In the following example, if the caller does not enter a valid response after being prompted by a recorded announcement, then the failed response is logged in the Event Browser log:

EVENT HANDLER

EVENT CALL ON HOLD: GIVE MUSIC pop_music_gv
 EVENT RAN RESPONSE FAIL: LOG "RAN failed in Master"

END HANDLER

Host Data Exchange commands

If your call center has an optional third-party IVR system, you can use these commands to connect to the application, so you can send to, and receive data from, an external database.

Element	Purpose
SEND INFO	Sends information to a third-party application.
SEND REQUEST	Requests specific data from a third-party application.
GET RESPONSE	Retrieves data from the Send Request command sent to a third party application.

Example

This example shows how to access an account status from an external database:

SEND REQUEST application_ID caller_acc_cv
 GET RESPONSE application_ID client_ID_cv, acc_status_cv

Scripting keywords

The keywords listed in this section are reserved within Symposium Call Center Server's scripting language. Do not use them as user-defined names or labels.

ABANDON	CALL	DIRECT	FRENCH
ACD	CALLS	DISCONNECT	FRIDAY
ACTIVE	CDN	DISTURB	FROM
AGE	CHANGE	DN	GERMAN
AGENT	CHARACTER	DNIS	GET
AGENTS	CHINESE	DO	GIVE
AHEAD	CLID	ELSE	HANDLER
AND	CONSULTED	END	HOLD
ANSWER	CONTINUOUS	ENGLISH	ID
ANSWERED	COUNT	EQUALS	IDLE
APPLICATION	DATA	EVENT	IF
APR	DATE	EXECUTE	IN
APRIL	DAY	EXPECTED	INCOMING
ASSIGN	DEC	FAIL	INFO
ASSIGNED	DECEMBER	FALSE	INTER
AUG	DEFAULT	FEB	INTO
AUGUST	DEQUEUE	FEBRUARY	IVR
AVERAGE	DIALED	FOR	JAN
BUSY	DIGIT	FOREVER	JANUARY
BY	DIGITS	FORWARD	JAPANESE

JUL	NOT	QUEUES	SILENCE
JULY	NOV	QUIT	SKILLSET
JUN	NOVEMBER	RAN	SPANISH
JUNE	NPA	RATE	SPEED
LANGUAGE	NPANXX	RECEIVED	SUCCESS
LEAST	NUMBER	RELEASED	SUNDAY
LOC	NUMBERBYDIGIT	REMOVE	TERMINATING
LOCATION	NXX	REQUEST	THEN
LOG	OCT	RESPONSE	THURSDAY
LOGGED	OCTOBER	RETRIEVE	TIME
LONGEST	OF	RETURN	TIMEOUT
MAR	OLDEST	RINGBACK	TIMER
MARCH	ON	RINGING	TO
MAY	OPEN	ROUTE	TOTAL
MONDAY	OR	SATURDAY	TRUE
MONTH	OUT	SCRIPT	TUESDAY
MOST	OVERFLOW	SECTION	TYPE
MUSIC	PORTUGUESE	SEND	VALUE
NACD	POSITION	SEP	VOICE
NAME	PRESENT	SEPTEMBER	WAIT
NIGHT	PRIORITY	SERVICE	WAITING
NO	QUEUE	SESSION	WEDNESDAY
NON	QUEUED	SET	WEEK

WHERE			
WHILE			
WITH			
YEAR			

Glossary

A

accelerator key

A key on a phoneset that an agent can use to place a call quickly. When an agent presses an accelerator key, the system places the call to the configured number associated with the key. For example, if an agent presses the Emergency key, the system places a call to the agent's supervisor.

access class

A collection of access levels that defines the actions a member of the access class can perform within the system. For example, a member of the Administrator access class may be given a collection of Read/Write access levels.

access level

A level of access or permission given to a particular user for a particular application or function. For example, a user may be given View Only access to historical reports.

ACD call

See Automatic call distribution call.

ACD-DN

See Automatic call distribution directory number.

ACD group

See Automatic call distribution group.

ACD routing table

See Automatic call distribution routing table.

ACD subgroup

See Automatic call distribution subgroup.

acquired resource

A resource configured on the switch that is under the control of Symposium Call Center Server. Resources must be configured with matching values on both the switch and Symposium Call Center Server.

activated script

A script that is processing calls or is ready to process calls. Before you can activate a script, you must first validate it.

activity code

A number that an agent enters on his or her phoneset during a call. Activity codes provide a way of tracking the time agents spend on various types of incoming calls. They are also known as Line of Business (LOB) codes. For example, the activity code 720 might be used to track sales calls. Agents can then enter 720 on their phonesets during sales calls, and this information can be generated in an Activity Code report.

administrator

A user who is responsible for setting up and maintaining Symposium Call Center Server.

agent

A user who is responsible for handling customer calls.

agent logon ID

A unique identification number assigned to a particular agent. The agent uses this number when logging on. The agent ID is not associated with any particular phoneset.

agent to skillset assignment

A matrix that, when you run it, sets the priority of one or more agents for a skillset. Agent to skillset assignments can be scheduled.

agent to supervisor assignment

A definition that, when you run it, assigns one or more agents to specific supervisors. Agent to supervisor assignments can be scheduled.

application

1. A logical entity that represents a Symposium Call Center Server script for reporting purposes. The Master script and each primary script have an associated application. The application has the same name as the script it represents. 2. A program that runs on a computer.

application program interface

A set of routines, protocols, and tools that programmers use to develop software applications. APIs simplify the development process by providing commonly used programming procedures.

associated supervisor

A supervisor who is available for an agent if the agent's reporting supervisor is unavailable. *See also* reporting supervisor.

Automatic call distribution

A means of automatically distributing an organization's incoming calls among a number of answering positions (ACD agents). Automatic call distribution is useful in operations where callers want a service rather than a specific person. Calls are serviced in the order they arrive and are distributed so that the workload at each answering position is approximately equal.

Automatic call distribution call

A call to an ACD-DN. ACD calls are distributed to agents in an ACD group based on the ACD routing table on the switch. *See also* Automatic call distribution directory number.

Automatic call distribution directory number

A primary or supplementary DN associated with an ACD group. Calls made to an automatic call distribution directory number are distributed to agents belonging to the group, based on the ACD routing table on the switch.

Automatic call distribution group

An entity defined on the switch for the purpose of call distribution. When a customer dials an ACD group, the call is routed to any agent who is a member of that group.

Automatic call distribution routing table

A table configured on the switch that contains a list of ACD-DNs used to define routes for incoming calls. This ensures that incoming calls not processed by Symposium Call Center Server are queued to ACD groups and handled by available agents.

Automatic call distribution subgroup

An entity defined on the switch to assign supervisory responsibilities. Each subgroup has one supervisor phoneset and a number of agent phonesets associated with it. Agents can log on to any phoneset within their ACD subgroup. The supervisor must log on to the supervisor phoneset to monitor his or her assigned agents.

C**call age**

The amount of time a call was waiting in the system before being answered by an agent.

call intrinsic

A script element that stores call-related information assigned when a call enters Symposium Call Center Server. *See also* intrinsic, time intrinsic, and traffic intrinsic.

call presentation class

A collection of preferences that determines how calls are presented to an agent

call priority

A numerical value assigned in a script that defines the relative importance of a call. If two calls are in the queue when an agent becomes available, and one call is queued with a higher priority than the other, the agent receives the higher priority call first. *See also* skillset priority.

call treatment

A script element that enables you to provide handling to a call while it is waiting to be answered by a call center agent. For example, a caller can hear a recorded announcement or music while waiting for an agent.

call variable

A script variable that applies to a specific call. A call variable follows the call through the system and is passed from one script to another with the call. *See also* global variable, script variable.

Calling Line Identification

An optional service that identifies the telephone number of the caller. This information can then be used to route the call to the appropriate agent or skillset. The CLID can also be displayed on an agent's phoneset.

CDN

See controlled directory number.

CLAN

See Customer local area network.

CLID

See Calling Line Identification.

client

The part of Symposium Call Center Server that runs on a personal computer or workstation and relies on the server to perform some operations. *See also* server.

command

A building block used with expressions, variables, and intrinsics to create scripts. Commands perform distinct functions, such as routing a call to a specific destination, playing music to a caller, or disconnecting a caller.

controlled directory number

A special directory number that allows calls arriving at the switch to be queued when the CDN is controlled by an application such as Symposium Call Center Server. When a call arrives at this number, the switch notifies the application and waits for routing instructions, which are performed by scripts in Symposium Call Center Server.

Customer local area network

The LAN to which your corporate services and resources connect. Symposium Call Center Server and the client both connect to the CLAN. Third-party applications that interface with the server also connect to this LAN.

D**DBMS**

Database Management System

deactivated script

A script that does not process any new calls. If a script is in use when it is deactivated, calls continue to be processed by the script until they are completed.

default activity code

The activity code that is assigned to a call if an agent does not enter an activity code manually, or when an agent presses the activity code button twice on his or her phoneset.

default skillset

The skillset to which calls are queued if they have not been queued to a skillset or a specific agent by the end of a script.

desktop user

A configured user who can log on to Symposium Call Center Server from a client PC.

DHCP

See dynamic host configuration protocol.

Dial-Up Networking

See Remote Access Services.

Dialed Number Identification Service

An optional service that allows Symposium Call Center Server to identify the phone number dialed by the incoming caller. An agent can receive calls from customers calling in on different DNISs and, if the DNIS appears on the phoneset, can prepare a response according to the DNIS.

Digital Multiplex Switch

A Nortel Networks switch for the central office market.

directory number

The number that identifies a phoneset on a switch. The directory number (DN) can be a local extension (local DN), a public network telephone number, or an automatic call distribution directory number (ACD-DN).

directory number call

A call that is presented to the DN key on an agent's phoneset.

display threshold

A threshold used in real-time displays to highlight a value below or above the normal range.

DMS

See Digital Multiplex Switch.

DN

See directory number.

DN call

See directory number call.

DNIS

See Dialed Number Identification Service.

dongle

The attachment plugged into the parallel port of a server connected to a DMS/MSL-100 switch that authenticates the serial number required at the time of server installation.

dynamic host configuration protocol

A protocol for dynamically assigning IP addresses to devices on a network.

dynamic link library

A library of executable functions or data that can be used by a Windows application. Typically, a DLL provides one or more particular functions and a program accesses the functions by creating either a static or dynamic link to the DLL. Several applications can use a DLL at the same time.

E**ELAN**

See embedded local area network.

embedded local area network

A dedicated Ethernet TCP/IP LAN that connects the server in Symposium Call Center Server and the switch.

Emergency key

A key on an agent's phoneset that, when pressed by an agent, automatically calls his or her supervisor to notify the supervisor of a problem with a caller.

event

1. An occurrence or action on Symposium Call Center Server, such as the sending or receiving of a message, the opening or closing of an application, or the reporting of an error. Some events are for information only, while others can indicate a problem. Events are categorized by severity: information, minor, major, and critical. 2. An action generated by a script command, such as queuing a call to a skillset or playing music.

expression

A building block used in scripts to test for conditions, perform calculations, or compare values within scripts. *See also* logical expression, mathematical expression, relational expression.

F**first-level threshold**

The value that represents the lowest value of the normal range for a statistic in a threshold class. The system tracks how often the value for the statistic falls below this value.

G**global settings**

Settings that apply to all skillsets that are configured on your system.

global variable

A variable that contains values that can be used by any script on the system. You can only change the value of a global variable in the Script Variable Properties sheet. You cannot change it in a script. *See also* call variable, variable.

I**ICM**

See Intelligent Call Manager.

Incalls key

The key on an agent phoneset to which incoming ACD and Symposium Call Center Server calls are presented.

Intelligent Call Manager

A high capacity call center TCP/IP interface to the switch that enables the exchange of messages between the switch and a remote host computer.

Internet Protocol address

An identifier for a computer or device on a TCP/IP network. Networks use the TCP/IP protocol to route messages based on the IP address of the destination. The format of an IP address is a 32-bit numeric address written as four values separated by periods. Each value can be 0 to 255. For example, 1.160.10.240 could be an IP address.

intrinsic

A word or phrase used in a script to gain access to system information about skillsets, agents, time, and call traffic that can then be used in formulas and decision-making statements. *See also* call intrinsic, time intrinsic, traffic intrinsic.

IP address

See Internet Protocol address.

L**LAN**

See Local area network.

Line of Business code

See activity code.

LOB code

See activity code.

Local area network

A computer network that spans a relatively small area. Most LANs connect workstations and personal computers and are confined to a single building or group of buildings.

logical expression

A symbol used in scripts to test for different conditions. Logical expressions are AND, OR, and NOT. *See also* expression, mathematical expression, relational expression.

M**Management Information Base**

A data structure that describes the collection of all possible objects in a network. Each managed node maintains one or more variables (objects) that describe its state. Symposium Call Center Server Management Information Bases (MIBs) contribute to the overall network MIB by

- identifying Nortel Networks/Meridian/Symposium Call Center Server nodes within the network
- identifying significant events (SNMP traps), such as alarms reporting
- specifying formats of alarms

Master script

The first script executed when a call arrives at Symposium Call Center Server. A default Master script is provided with Symposium Call Center Server, but it can be customized by an authorized user. It can be deactivated but not deleted. *See also* primary script, script, secondary script.

mathematical expression

An expression used in scripts to add, subtract, multiply, and divide values. Mathematical expressions are addition (+), subtraction (-), division (/), and multiplication (*). *See also* expression, logical expression, and relational expression.

MIB

See Management Information Base.

music route

A resource installed on the switch that provides music to callers while they wait for an agent.

N**night mode**

A skillset state in which the server does not queue incoming calls to the skillset, and in which all queued calls are given night treatment. A skillset goes into night mode automatically when the last agent logs off, or the administrator can put it into night mode manually. *See also* out-of-service mode, transition mode.

NPA

See Number Plan Area.

Number Plan Area

Area code

O**object linking and embedding**

A compound document standard that enables you to create objects with one application and then link or embed them in a second application.

ODBC

See Open Database Connectivity.

OEM

Original equipment manufacturer

OLE

See object linking and embedding.

Open Database Connectivity

A Microsoft-defined database application program interface (API) standard.

out-of-service mode

A skillset state in which the skillset does not take calls. A skillset is out of service if there are no agents logged on or if the supervisor puts the skillset into out-of-service mode manually. *See also* night mode, transition mode.

out-of-service skillset

A skillset that is not taking any new calls. While a skillset is out of service, incoming calls cannot be queued to the skillset. *See also* skillset.

P**pegging**

The action of incrementing statistical counters to track and report on system events.

pegging threshold

A threshold used to define a cut-off value for statistics, such as short call and service level. Pegging thresholds are used in reports.

PEP

See Performance Enhancement Package.

Performance Enhancement Package

A Symposium Call Center Server supplementary software application that enhances the functionality of previously released software by improving performance, adding functionality, or correcting a problem discovered since the original release.

phoneset

The physical device, connected to the switch, to which calls are presented. Each agent and supervisor must have a phoneset.

phoneset display

The display area on an agent's phoneset where information about incoming calls can be communicated.

Position ID

A unique identifier for a phoneset, used by the switch to route calls to the phoneset. Referred to as Telephony/Port Address in Symposium Call Center Server.

primary ACD-DN

A directory number that callers can dial to reach an ACD group.

primary script

A script that is executed or referenced by the Master script. A primary script can route calls to skillsets, or it can transfer routing control to a secondary script. *See also* Master script, script, secondary script.

R**RAN**

recorded announcement

RAN route

See recorded announcement route.

RAS

See Remote Access Services.

recorded announcement route

A resource installed on the switch that offers a recorded announcement to callers.

relational expression

An expression used in scripts to test for different conditions. Relational expressions are less than (<), greater than (>), less than or equal to (<=), greater than or equal to (>=), and not equal to (<>). *See also* expression, logical expression, mathematical expression.

Remote Access Services

A feature built into Windows NT and Windows 95 that enables users to log on to an NT-based LAN using a modem, X.25 connection, or WAN link. This feature is also known as Dial-Up Networking.

reporting supervisor

The supervisor who has primary responsibility for an agent. When an agent presses the Emergency key on the phoneset, the emergency call is presented to the agent's reporting supervisor. *See also* associated supervisor.

S**sample script**

A script that is installed with the Symposium Call Center Server client. Sample scripts are stored as text files in a special folder on the client. The contents of these scripts can be imported or copied into user scripts to create scripts for typical call center scenarios.

SCM

See Service Control Manager.

script

A set of instructions that relates to a particular type of call, caller, or set of conditions, such as time of day or day of week. *See also* Master script, primary script, secondary script.

script variable

See variable.

second-level threshold

The value used in display thresholds that represents the highest value of the normal range for a given statistic. The system tracks how often the value for the statistic falls outside this value.

secondary directory number

A DN defined on the agent's phoneset as a Centrex line for incoming and outgoing non-ACD calls.

secondary script

Any script (other than a Master or primary script) that is referenced from a primary script or any other secondary script. There is no pegging of statistics for actions occurring during a secondary script. *See also* Master script, primary script, script.

server

A computer or device on a network that manages network resources. Examples of servers include file servers, print servers, network servers, and database servers. Symposium Call Center Server is used to configure the operations of the call center. *See also* client.

service

A process that adheres to a Windows NT structure and requirements. A service provides system functionality.

Service Control Manager

A Windows NT process that manages the different services on the PC.

service level

The percentage of incoming calls answered within a configured number of seconds.

service level threshold

A parameter that defines the number of seconds within which incoming calls should be answered.

Simple Network Management Protocol

A systematic way of monitoring and managing a computer network. The SNMP model consists of four components:

- managed nodes, which are any device, such as hosts, routers, and printers, capable of communicating status to the outside world via an SNMP management process called an SNMP Agent
- management stations, which are computers running special network management software that interact with the Agents for status
- management information, which is conveyed through exact specifications and format of status specified by the MIB

- Management Protocol or SNMP, which sends messages called protocol data units (PDUs)

site

A system using Symposium Call Center Server that can be accessed using SMI.

skillset

A group of capabilities or knowledge required to answer a specific type of call.

skillset intrinsic

A script element that inserts information about a skillset in a script. Skillset intrinsics return values such as skillsets, integers, and agent IDs. These values are then used in queuing commands. *See also* call intrinsic, intrinsic, time intrinsic, traffic intrinsic.

skillset priority

An attribute of a skillset assignment that determines the order in which calls from different skillsets are presented to an agent. When an agent becomes available, calls might be waiting for several of the skillsets to which the agent belongs. The server presents the call queued for the skillset for which the agent has the highest priority.

standby

In skillset assignments, a property that grants an agent membership in a skillset, but makes the agent inactive for that skillset.

supervisor

A user who manages a group of agents. *See also* associated supervisor, reporting supervisor.

supplementary ACD-DN

A DN associated with a primary DN. Any calls to the supplementary DN are automatically routed to the primary DN. A supplementary DN can be a toll-free (1-800) number.

switch

The hardware that receives incoming calls and routes them to their destination.

switch resource

A device that is configured on the switch. For example, a CDN is configured on the switch, and then is used as a resource with Symposium Call Center Server. *See also* acquired resource.

Symposium Call Center Server call

A call to a CDN that is controlled by Symposium Call Center Server. The call is presented to the Incalls key on an agent's phoneset.

system-defined script

The Master_Script. can be customized or deactivated by a user, but cannot be deleted. This script is the first script executed for every call arriving at the call center.

T**TCP/IP**

See Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol.

telephony

The science of translating sound into electrical signals, transmitting them, and then converting them back to sound. The term is used frequently to refer to computer hardware and software that perform functions traditionally performed by telephone equipment.

threshold

A value for a statistic at which system handling of the statistic changes.

threshold class

A set of options that specifies how statistics are treated in reports and real-time displays. *See also* display threshold, pegging threshold.

time intrinsic

A script element that stores information about system time, including time of day, day of week, and week of year. *See also* call intrinsic, intrinsic, traffic intrinsic.

Token Ring

A PC network protocol developed by IBM. A Token Ring network is a type of computer network in which all the computers are arranged schematically in a circle.

traffic intrinsic

An intrinsic that inserts information about system-level traffic in a script. *See also* call intrinsic, intrinsic, time intrinsic.

transition mode

A skillset state in which the server presents already queued calls to a skillset. New calls queued to the skillset are given out-of-service treatment. *See also* night mode, out-of-service mode.

Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol

The communication protocol used to connect devices on the Internet. TCP/IP is the standard protocol for transmitting data over networks.

treatment

See call treatment.

U**user-created script**

A script that is created by an authorized user on the Symposium Call Center Server system. Primary and secondary scripts are user-created scripts.

user-defined script

A script that is modified by an authorized user on the Symposium Call Center Server system.

utility

A program that performs a specific task, usually related to managing system resources. Operating systems contain a number of utilities for managing disk drives, printers, and other devices.

V**validation**

The process of checking a script to ensure that all the syntax and semantics are correct. A script must be validated before it can be activated.

variable

A placeholder for values calculated within a script, such as CLID. Variables are defined in the Script Variable Properties sheet and can be used in multiple scripts to determine treatment and routing of calls entering Symposium Call Center Server. *See also* call variable, global variable.

W**WAN**

See also Wide area network.

Wide area network

A computer network that spans a relatively large geographical area. Typically, a WAN consists of two or more local area networks (LANs). The largest WAN in existence is the Internet.

workload scenarios

Sets of configuration values defined for typical patterns of system operations. Five typical workload scenarios (entry, small, medium, large, and upper end) are used in the Capacity Assessment Tool for capacity analysis for Symposium Call Center Server.

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