Administering Models: Overview

This document covers how to configure access to models and the modeling integration points between the common model repository and SAS Viya products. The Model Repository service provides access to a common model repository for SAS applications, and enables users to perform the following actions:

- import models into SAS Model Manager
- register models from Model Studio, SAS Visual Analytics, and SAS Studio into a common model repository
- add a model from the common model repository into a decision flow in SAS Intelligent Decisioning
- publish models or decisions to SAS Cloud Analytic Services (CAS), Hadoop, Teradata, and the SAS Micro Analytic Service
Modeling Integration Points

Here are the integration points for the common model repository:

CAS
CAS stores analytic store files in the ModelStore caslib. Users can also publish models from SAS Model Manager and Model Studio to a CAS publishing destination.


Common Model Repository
The common model repository contains multiple repositories that are used to store models that have been registered from SAS Model Manager, Model Studio, SAS Studio, and SAS Visual Analytics. The models can then be accessed from other SAS applications, such as SAS Intelligent Decisioning, or published to external publishing destinations.

Model Studio
A suite of SAS products that enables you to build SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning models as well as SAS Text Analytics models and then to register them into the common model repository. SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning models can also be published from Model Studio to a configured published destination.


SAS Drive
A hub for the SAS Viya applications that enables you to easily view, organize, and share your content from one place. The availability of the features in SAS Drive depends on the applications that have been installed and the features and permissions that have been specified by your administrator.

See SAS Drive: Documentation

SAS Event Stream Processing Studio
A SAS web application that enables you to create, edit, upload, publish, and test event stream processing models using SAS Event Stream Processing Studio Modeler. SAS Event Stream Processing Studio Modeler displays a model as a data flow diagram, which enables you to see and control how windows relate and flow to one another. Projects can reference models that are stored in the common model repository. When a project is deployed, the model is retrieved from the common model repository and written to the ESP server. SAS Micro Analytic Service modules are used to accommodate the imported content that was created in SAS Model Manager. The module is uploaded and then referenced from the Calculate window’s input handler. See SAS Event Stream Processing: Using SAS Event Stream Processing Studio

SAS Intelligent Decisioning
SAS web application that enables you to combine analytical models, rule sets, and conditional logic into decisions. You can investigate various scenarios, test and refine the decision logic, and then publish the decisions for use in batch applications and online transactions. After a decision has been published, it is available for use by other applications. See SAS Intelligent Decisioning: User’s Guide.

SAS Model Manager
SAS web application that enables you to store and manage models in a common model repository, as well as to organize them within projects and folders. You can import models that you developed using a SAS application (such as Model Studio, SAS Visual Analytics, and SAS Studio) as well as SAS code, open-source programming languages, and PMML. You can also create a new model with the model’s files in a folder or project. Models that are located within a project can be evaluated for champion model selection and monitored for performance. Models within folders or projects can also be published to a configured publishing destination that can be defined for CAS, Hadoop, SAS Micro Analytic Service, and Teradata, as well as Amazon Web Services (AWS) and Private Docker containers.


SAS Studio
SAS development application for running SAS programs, which enables users to use macros to create, update, and delete objects within the common model repository. A user can also use the Register task to import a scoring model from SAS Studio into a SAS Model Manager project that is located within the common model repository. A scoring model is an analytic object in a CAS table. Scoring models can be created using several SAS Studio tasks such as the Forest task.


SAS Visual Analytics
A SAS web application that enables you to explore, discover, and predict using your data. If SAS Visual Statistics is licensed at your site, then you can create, test, and compare models based on the patterns that are discovered during exploration of your data. You can export a model before or
after performing model comparison in order to use it with other SAS products in a production environment. If SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning is licensed at your site, then additional models are available. SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning cannot be licensed without SAS Visual Statistics. You can also register SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning and SAS Visual Statistics models from SAS Visual Analytics to the common model repository.


Access to Models

Overview

Registered models are stored within the repository folders that reside within the Model Repositories content root folder. Initially, models that are registered to the SAS Model Manager default repository and standard repositories are accessible by authenticated users. See “Initial Access to Registered Models”.

Model Studio projects contain models and are stored beneath a user’s folder in My Folder. Initially, Model Studio projects and models are private. For more information, see the following documentation:


You can create the standard repositories before they have been deployed using the SAS Model Manager web application or the %MM_CREATE_REPOSITORY macro. If you do not have SAS Model Manager, you can create the initial reserved repositories by registering a model from a supported product to the common model repository. You can also use the Model Repository API to submit a request. The initial default repositories and standard repositories can initially be accessed by all authenticated users.

**IMPORTANT** Only SAS Administrators and other authorized users can create, update, or delete repository folders. In addition, custom repositories by default cannot be accessed by authenticated users. A SAS Administrator must grant user’s access to custom repositories.

**CAUTION**

Projects and models that are registered into a standard repository should not be moved using content selection windows within SAS Environment Manager and other SAS web applications. Moving a project or model that was registered from Model Studio breaks the connection between SAS Model Manager and Model Studio. Models that are copied to another folder do not retain the connection to the model in Model Studio.
Table 1  Initial Default and Standard Repositories

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Repository Name</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Public</td>
<td>SAS Model Manager default repository for authenticated users to create projects and import models. The initial default repository is predefined as Public or Repository 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DMRepository</td>
<td>SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning models registered from Model Studio to the common model repository are stored within the DMRepository. The DMRepository is made available with SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning as part of the Model Studio installation process.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VARRepository</td>
<td>SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning and SAS Visual Statistics models registered from SAS Visual Analytics to the common model repository are stored within the VARRepository. The VARRepository folder is created the first time a SAS Visual Analytics report object is registered as a model to the common model repository.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VTARepository</td>
<td>SAS Visual Text Analytics models registered from Model Studio to the common model repository are stored within the VTARepository. The VTARepository folder is created the first time a SAS Visual Text Analytics model is registered from Model Studio to the common model repository.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Here are the initial authorizations for the Model Repositories folder, the default repository folder, the standard repository folders, and a custom repository folder.

Note: The SAS Demo User is an example of a user that assumed the SAS Administrators group when signing in to SAS Environment Manager or another SAS web application.

The following figure is an example of the initial authorization for the Model Repositories folder.

Figure 1  Authorization for the Model Repositories Folder

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Principal</th>
<th>Read</th>
<th>Update</th>
<th>Delete</th>
<th>Secure</th>
<th>Add</th>
<th>Remove</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Authenticated Users</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>✗</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>✗</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAS Administrators</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>✗</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAS Demo User</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>✔</td>
<td>✔</td>
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<td>✔</td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The following figure is an example of the initial authorization for the default repository (Public) and standard repository (DMRepository, VARRepository, and VTARRepository) folders.

**Figure 2** Initial Authorization for the Default Repository and the Standard Repository Folders

<table>
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<th>Delete</th>
<th>Secure</th>
<th>Add</th>
<th>Remove</th>
<th>Read (convey)</th>
<th>Update (convey)</th>
<th>Delete (convey)</th>
<th>Secure (convey)</th>
<th>Add (convey)</th>
<th>Remove (convey)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Authenticated Users</td>
<td>☑</td>
<td>☑</td>
<td>☑</td>
<td>☑</td>
<td>☑</td>
<td>☑</td>
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<td>☑</td>
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<td>☑</td>
<td>☑</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAS Administrators</td>
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</table>

The following figure is an example of the initial authorization for a custom repository folder.

**Figure 3** Initial Authorization for a Custom Repository Folder

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<th>Add</th>
<th>Remove</th>
<th>Read (convey)</th>
<th>Update (convey)</th>
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<th>Add (convey)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
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<td>☑</td>
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<tr>
<td>SAS Administrators</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Initial Access to Registered Models

**Note:** Initially, all authenticated users have Read and Write access to all registered models in the default repository and standard repositories. Restrict access as appropriate for your usage patterns and security goals. See "How to Narrow Access to Models in Standard Repositories".

Common Model Repository Predefined Rules

The predefined rules grant Authenticated Users Read and Add access to the default repository and standard model repositories, model projects, and models as follows:

**CAUTION**
The Common Model Repository predefined rules should not be modified. Authorization changes should be implemented on a repository folder or folders within a repository folder.
Here are the initial authorization rule permissions for the Model Repository service (/modelRepository) endpoints for the new SAS Viya deployment.

**Figure 4  Common Model Repository Rules (/modelRepository)**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Target: /modelRepository</th>
<th>Principal: Authenticated Users</th>
<th>Setting: Grant</th>
<th>Permissions: Read</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Read, Create</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/projects</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Read, Create</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/repositories</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Read</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/projects/</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Read</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/models/</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Read</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/models/transfer</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Create</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/repositories</td>
<td>sasapp</td>
<td>Grant</td>
<td>Create</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/models/userProperties</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Read</td>
</tr>
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<td>/modelRepository/projects/userProperties</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Read</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/jobs</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Create</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/models</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Read, Create</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/repositories/*</td>
<td>SASAdministrators</td>
<td>Grant</td>
<td>Update, Delete</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/modelRepository/repositories</td>
<td>SASAdministrators</td>
<td>Grant</td>
<td>Create</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Note:** In the previous release, an additional predefined wildcard rule that targets the objectURI /modelRepository/** granted full access to a group that has Administrators as its ID. Because no such group exists, the rule has no effect. The rule is unnecessary, because the SAS Administrators group has a universal grant. You can delete the rule or leave it in place.

**Predefined Rules for the Model Repositories Folder**

Predefined rules for the **Model Repositories** folder grant access to Authenticated Users as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Target: /Model Repositories/** (folder)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Object URI: /folders/folders/folder-ID/**</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Permissions: Add, Read</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Target: /Model Repositories (folder)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Container URI: /folders/folders/folder-ID</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Permissions: Add, Read, Create

Generated Rules for Each Repository

Two generated rules on each immediate child of the Model Repositories folder grant access to Authenticated Users. For example, generated rules on the VARespository folder grant access to Authenticated Users as follows:

Target: /Model Repositories/VARespository/** (folder)

objectURI: /folders/folders/folder-ID/**

Permissions: Add, Read, Create, Remove

Target: /Model Repositories/VARespository (folder)

containerURI: /folders/folders/folder-ID

Permissions: Add, Secure, Read, Update, Create, Remove, Delete

See Also

- “Managing Permissions” in SAS Model Manager: Administrator’s Guide

How to Narrow Access to Models in Standard Repositories

Overview

Perform the following tasks to narrow access to models in standard repositories:

1. Create custom groups.
2. Check whether the licensed products exist in your SAS Viya deployment.
3. Create the standard repositories.
5. Reduce the availability of model applications and features.
Create Custom Groups

Create two new custom groups as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>ID</th>
<th>Membership Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Modelers</td>
<td>_modelers</td>
<td>Anyone who uses model functionality.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Model Repository Administrators</td>
<td>_modelRepoAdmins</td>
<td>Anyone who should be able to add, update, and delete repositories.</td>
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</table>

Note: The names and IDs are suggested values. You can specify different values.

Note: If you have planned to use separated access, where different groups access different models, create additional groups as members of the Modelers group.

Check Whether the Licensed Products Exist in Your SAS Viya Deployment

1. From the applications menu (≡), select Manage Environment.
2. In SAS Environment Manager, click ☰ to view the Licensed Products page.
3. Enter SAS Model Manager in the Product filter field.
4. Enter the following licensed products names in the Product filter field.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Licensed Product</th>
<th>Standard Repository</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SAS Data Mining and Machine Learning</td>
<td>DMRrepository</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAS Visual Analytics Explorer</td>
<td>VARrepository</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Text Analytics UI Setinit</td>
<td>VTARespository</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

TIP If the licensed product does not exist, then you do not need to create the associated standard repository or to secure access to the repository.

Create the Standard Repositories

Not all deployments include all repositories. The default repository is included for all installations. The standard repositories are not available until you have a license for the associated product and a SAS Administrator creates them or an authorized user registers a model from Model Studio or SAS Visual Analytics.
On the **Content** page in SAS Environment Manager, verify that the following repository folders do not already exist directly beneath the **Model Repositories** root folder. If they already exist, you do not need to create the standard repositories. You can continue to the next step and **secure the Model Repositories folder and its immediate children**.

- **VARepository**
- **DMRepository**
- **VTARepository**

If you have a license for SAS Model Manager, and the standard repositories do not already exist, a SAS Administrator can create them using the SAS Model Manager web application, SAS Model Repository CLI, or the `%MM_CREATE_REPOSITORY` macro. When creating the standard repositories before they have been deployed, the names must match exactly. See “Create a New Repository Using SAS Model Manager”.

If you do not have a license for SAS Model Manager, then the standard repositories can be created by using the SAS Model Repository CLI or registering models from Model Studio and SAS Visual Analytics. See “Create Standard Repositories by Registering Models”.

**Secure the Model Repositories Folder and Its Immediate Children**

1. In SAS Environment Manager, click 🔄 to view the **Content** page.

2. Click the arrow to the right of the **SAS Content** folder to locate the **Model Repositories** folder. Right-click the folder and select **Edit authorization**.

   **Note:** Only users with SECURE permission to the selected folder can edit its authorization.

   Adjust access as follows:

   a. Click 🔄 and select **Add identities**. The Add Identities window appears.

      **Note:** If guest access is not configured, the Add Identities window appears when you click 🔄.

   b. Select the **Modelers** and **Model Repository Administrators** custom groups as identities. Click **OK**.

      **Note:** Both groups inherit Read and Add object permissions.

   c. For the Model Repository Administrators group, click 🗼 to set a direct grant for object permissions of Remove, as well as grant container (convey) permissions of Read, Update, Delete, Secure, Add, and Remove.

   d. For the Modelers group, click 🗼 to set a direct grant for object permissions of Read and Add.

   e. Click **Preview**.

   After the **Model Repositories** folder has been secured, here are its authorizations.
f  Click **Save**.

3  Right-click a repository (any immediate child of the **Model Repositories** folder) and select **Edit authorization**.

  Note: Only users with SECURE permission to the selected folder can edit its authorization.

  a  Click 🔐 and select **Add identities**. The Add Identities window appears.

  b  Select the **Modelers** custom group as an identity. Click **OK**.

  c  Click ☑️ in each cell to remove the current grants that are set for all object permissions for Authenticated Users. Change the **Direct setting** value to **None**.

  Note: Do not change the **Direct setting** value to **Prohibit**.

  d  For the Modelers group (or if you are securing a custom repository for a more specific group), click ☑️ in each cell to add direct object grants of Read, Add, and Remove and container (convey) grants of Read, Update, Delete, Secure, Add, and Remove.

  e  Click **Preview**.

  Here is an example of the authorizations for the **VARespository** folder.
f Click **Save**.

Repeat this step for each repository (each immediate child of the **Model Repositories** folder). Here are key points:

- The DMRepository model repository is created during the installation process. The VARRepository and VTARepository model repositories are created automatically the first time a user registers a model. It is recommended that an administrator create those repositories and adjust access before the deployment is made available to users. For details, see “Create the Standard Repositories”.

- Whenever a custom repository is added, access to that repository must be adjusted. (For that reason, these instructions allow only Model Repository Administrators to add repositories.) For more information, see “How to Narrow Access to Models in a Custom Repository” on page 13.

### Reduce the Availability of Model Applications and Features

The purpose of this task is to enhance usability rather than to increase security.

1. In SAS Environment Manager, click to view the **Rules** page.

2. For each rule in the following table, replace the original principal (principalType=Authenticated Users) with the custom modelers group (for example, principalType=group, name=Modelers, and group ID=_modelers) that you created earlier. For more information, see “Create Custom Groups” on page 9.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Application or Feature</th>
<th>Target URI (or URIs)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ability to use model objects in SAS Visual Analytics</td>
<td>/SASVisualAnalytics_capabilities/buildAnalyticalModel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ability to access SAS Model Manager¹</td>
<td>/SASModelManager/ and /SASModelManager</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
How to Narrow Access to Models in a Custom Repository

Overview
Perform the following tasks to narrow access to models in a custom repository:

1. Create custom groups.
2. Check whether the licensed product exists in your SAS Viya deployment.
3. Add model repository rules for a custom repository.
4. Create a custom repository.
5. Secure the Model Repositories folder and its immediate children.
6. Reduce the availability of model applications and features.

Create Custom Groups
Create two new custom groups as follows:

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1. These are two alternate forms of the same URI. In the current release, because SAS Model Manager uses both forms, both rules are necessary.
2. In the current release, you cannot limit direct access to Model Studio. The adjusted rule limits access to Model Studio only from the applications menu.
Check Whether the Licensed Products Exist in Your SAS Viya Deployment

1. From the applications menu (≡), select **Manage Environment**.
2. In SAS Environment Manager, click  to view the **Licensed Products** page.
3. Enter **SAS Model Manager** in the **Product** filter field.

Add Model Repository Rules for a Custom Repository

In order to create, delete, and update custom repositories as well as perform certain actions on objects (such as deleting model variables) within a custom repository, additional rules must be added.

1. In SAS Environment Manager, click  to view the **Rules** page.
2. Click  
3. By default, only SAS Administrators can create, update, or delete repository folders. You can add additional Model Repository rules for repository object access to enable other users such as the Model Repository Administrators to perform these actions.

- Here is the rule to add for granting users the ability to read and create a repository:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Name</th>
<th>Value</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Object URI</td>
<td>/modelRepository/repositories</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Principal type</td>
<td>Group</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Principal</td>
<td>Model Repository Administrators</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rule type</td>
<td>Grant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Permissions</td>
<td>Read, Create</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason</td>
<td>Provides the ability to create a model repository.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- Here is the rule to add for granting users the ability to read, delete, and update repositories:

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<td>Principal</td>
<td>Model Repository Administrators</td>
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<tr>
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</table>
In order for non-administrator users to be able to create, delete, and update model variables, you must add additional Model Repository rule for model object access.

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<td>Modelers</td>
</tr>
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<td>Rule type</td>
<td>Grant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Permissions</td>
<td>Create, Delete, Read, Update</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason</td>
<td>Provides ability to create, update, and delete model variables.</td>
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</table>

For more information, see “Add a Rule” in SAS Viya Administration: General Authorization.

Create a Custom Repository

A SAS Administrator or another authorized user can create a custom repository using the SAS Model Manager web application or the %MM_CREATE_REPOSITORY macro. See “Create a New Repository Using SAS Model Manager”.

Note: You can authorize other users or groups the ability to create and update custom repositories using rules. See “Add Model Repository Rules for a Custom Repository” on page 14.

Secure the Model Repositories Folder and Its Immediate Children

1. From the applications menu (Ξ), select Manage Environment.
2. In SAS Environment Manager, click ☯ to view the Content page.
3. Click the arrow to the right of the SAS Content folder to locate the Model Repositories folder. Right-click the folder and select Edit authorization.

Note: Only users with SECURE permission to the selected folder can edit its authorization.
Adjust access as follows:

a. Click † and select Add identities. The Add Identities window appears.

b. Select the Modelers and Model Repository Administrators custom groups as identities. Click OK.

Note: Both groups inherit Read and Add object permissions.

c. For the Model Repository Administrators group, click ☑ to set a direct grant for object permissions of Remove, as well as grant container (convey) permissions of Read, Update, Delete, Secure, Add, and Remove.

d. For the Modelers group, click ☑ to set a direct grant for object permissions of Read and Add.

Note: If you have updated your installation from a previous release, the Authenticated Users principal group might have container (convey) permissions for the Model Repositories folder. Remove container access for Authenticated Users by changing the direct setting to (none) for each convey permission. Authenticated users should have only Read and Add object permissions.

e. Click Preview.

After the Model Repositories folder has been secured, here are its authorizations:

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<th>Principal</th>
<th>Read</th>
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f. Click Save.

4. Right-click a repository (any immediate child of the Model Repositories folder) and select Edit authorization.

Note: Only users with SECURE permission to the selected folder can edit its authorization.

a. Click † and select Add identities. The Add Identities window appears.

b. Select the Modelers custom group as an identity. Click OK.

c. For the Modelers group (or if you are securing a custom repository for a more specific group), click ☑ in each cell, and grant object permissions of Read, Add, and Remove, as well as container (convey) grants of Read, Update, Delete, Add, and Remove.

d. Click Preview.
Here is an example of the authorizations for the custom repository folder:

![Edit Authorization](image)

- Click Save.

Repeat this step for each repository (each immediate child of the Model Repositories folder).

Whenever a custom repository is added, access to that repository must be adjusted. (For that reason, these instructions allow only Model Repository Administrators to add repositories."

For more information, see "How to Narrow Access to Models in a Custom Repository" on page 13.

Reduce the Availability of Model Applications and Features

The purpose of this task is to enhance usability rather than to increase security.

1. In SAS Environment Manager, click to view the Rules page.

2. In each rule in the following table, replace the original principal (principalType=Authenticated Users) with the custom modelers group (for example, principalType=group, name=Modelers, and group ID=_modelers) that you created earlier. For more information, see “Create Custom Groups” on page 9.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Application or Feature</th>
<th>Target URI (or URIs)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Ability to access SAS Model Manager(^1)</td>
<td>/SASModelManager/ and /SASModelManager</td>
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</table>

\(^1\) These are two alternate forms of the same URI. In the current release, because SAS Model Manager uses both forms, both rules are necessary.
How to Create Repositories

You can create a new repository using several different methods. If you have a license for SAS Model Manager, the easiest way to create a new custom repository or a standard repository is to use the SAS Model Manager web application. You can also use the SAS Model Repository CLI or the %MM_CREATE_REPOSITORY macro. If you do not have a license to SAS Model Manager, you can use the SAS Model Repository CLI or register a model from Model Studio or SAS Visual Analytics to create the standard repositories. You can also use the SAS Model Repository CLI. For information about the SAS Model Repository CLI, see SAS Model Manager: Command-Line Interfaces and for information about repository authorization, see “Generated Rules for Each Repository”.

Note: The DMRepository is made available with SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning as part of the Model Studio installation process.

Create a New Repository Using SAS Model Manager

To create a new custom or standard repository using the SAS Model Manager web application:

1. From the applications menu ( ), select Manage Models.
2. Click your name in the application bar and select Settings ➔ SAS Model Manager ➔ Repositories.
3. Click .
4. Enter a name for the repository.

**IMPORTANT** If you are creating a standard repository for use with Model Studio or SAS Visual Analytics, the name must match exactly what is in the Table 1 on page 5. You can name a custom repository anything you want, as long as it does not already exist.

5. (Optional) Enter a description of the repository.

**Note:** After you save the new repository, the description cannot be edited.

6. Click Save.
7. Click Close.

See Also

“%MM_CREATE_REPOSITORY Macro” in SAS Model Manager: Macro Reference

Create Standard Repositories by Registering Models

If you do not have a license to SAS Model Manager, you can create the standard repositories by registering models from Model Studio and SAS Visual Analytics.
Note: The DMRepository is made available with SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning as part of the Model Studio installation process.

VARepository

1. On the Content page in SAS Environment Manager (Manage Environment), select SAS Content and verify that a VARepository folder does not already exist directly beneath the Model Repositories root folder.

2. Click and select Explore and Visualize.

3. In a new or existing report, add an object from either the SAS Visual Statistics or SAS Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning headings.

   Note: If those categories are not listed (and you are signed in as an administrator), a VARepository folder cannot be created in your deployment. Skip the remaining steps for creating the repository folder and for securing access to it.

4. Click Assign data and use the form to assign data items to the required data roles.


5. Right-click the model canvas and select Register model.

6. On the Content page in SAS Environment Manager (Manage Environment), select SAS Content and verify that a VARepository folder was created under the Model Repositories root folder.

   For more information, see “Register Models and Access the Model Repository” in SAS Visual Analytics: Working with SAS Visual Statistics.

VTARerpository

1. On the Content page in SAS Environment Manager (Manage Environment), select SAS Content and verify that a VTARerpository folder does not already exist directly under the Model Repositories root folder.

2. Click and select Build Models.

   Note: If your deployment does not include Model Studio, your deployment cannot include a VTARerpository folder. You can skip this step.

3. In Model Studio, create a project of the type Text Analytics.

   Note: If the project type Text Analytics is not available, a VTARerpository folder cannot be created in your deployment. Skip the remaining steps for creating the repository folder and for securing access to it.

   Include at least one model. Run the pipeline.
TIP  If you need additional information, see *SAS Visual Text Analytics: User’s Guide*.

4  Right-click the model node and select **Register model**.

5  On the **Content** page in SAS Environment Manager (**Manage Environment**), select **SAS Content**, and verify that a **VTARepository** folder was created under the **Model Repositories** folder.

For more information, see “Registering Models” in *SAS Visual Text Analytics: User’s Guide*.

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### Configuring Model Data Libraries

#### About Configuring Model Data Libraries

During the deployment of the Model Repository service, the ModelPerformanceData and ModelStore caslibs are created on each CAS server (for example, cas-shared-default and cas-shared-mpp). The source type for the caslibs is a file system path. Users must have Read and Write permissions to the source file system directory paths.

The ModelPerformanceData caslib stores the performance results data tables that are created when you run a performance job for a model. This caslib can be used only if you have the SAS Model Manager web application and the Model Management service.

The ModelStore caslib contains analytic store files for models that are created using SAS Visual Analytics, Model Studio, or SAS Studio. The ModelStore caslib must exist on each CAS server that is in use. If your model references a train table in a library that exists on a CAS server, but the CAS server does not have a ModelStore library, you cannot register the model from Model Studio to the SAS Model Manager common model repository. An error message is displayed.

**Note:** When you transfer analytic store models from one system to another, you must manually copy the content that is stored in your file system from the source system to the target system. For more information, see “Promoting Analytic Store Models” on page 25.

SAS Model Manager data sources are managed using SAS Environment Manager. You can create libraries (caslibs) and import tables to be used by SAS Model Manager. For more information, see “Making Data Available to CAS” in *SAS Data Explorer: User’s Guide*.

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### SAS Model Manager Predefined Caslibs

The following caslibs are automatically created during the deployment of SAS Model Manager. Each caslib has a default assignment and specifications. For a list of the SAS Viya predefined caslibs, see “Predefined Caslibs” in *SAS Viya Administration: Data*.

**Note:** The CAS data directory path is configured during installation. The default value for the CASDATADIR environment variable is /opt/sas/viya/config/data/cas/default/.
### Table 2  Predefined Caslibs

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Caslib</th>
<th>Default Assignment</th>
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<tr>
<td>ModelPerformanceData</td>
<td>/opt/sas/viya/config/data/cas/default/modelMonitorLibrary/</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Stores application-generated performance results data that is used for reporting. The directory assignment is on the CAS controller node.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ModelStore</td>
<td>/opt/sas/viya/config/data/cas/default/modelStore/</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>The file system directory is associated with the ModelStore CAS library. The directory assignment is on the CAS controller node. This library stores tables (SASHDAT), and each table contains one analytic store. The table is created when an analytic store model is registered to the common model repository. The analytic store file is created in the associated directory. When an analytic model is set as the champion or published to SAS Micro Analytic Service, the analytic store is extracted and written to the /opt/sas/viya/config/data/modelsvr/astore directory. For more information, see “Configuring Access to Analytic Store Model Files” in SAS Model Manager: Administrator’s Guide.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**IMPORTANT** Caslibs that have a file system directory path for a source type require specific directory permissions. For more information, see “File System Directory Permissions” on page 21.

### File System Directory Permissions

When defining a caslib where the source type is a file system directory path, the appropriate permissions must be granted. For more information, see “CAS Authorization: Host Access” in SAS® Viya Administration: CAS Authorization.

By default, CAS sessions run using the cas account. The CASHostAccountRequired custom group is a SAS Viya reserved group name, but it is not created during the deployment of SAS Viya. If you add identities or groups to the custom group with the ID CASHostAccountRequired, members of this group automatically run their CAS sessions under their own host account. Users within this group must have Read and Write permissions to caslib file system directory paths in order to register analytic store models and generate performance results. In addition, users are limited to sharing analytic stores depending on their primary group permissions because the analytic store is created with group ownership by the user’s primary group.

Here is a method to configure permissions for the file system directories used by the ModelStore and ModelPerformanceData caslibs:
1 Create a host system group that contains the cas user account and the user accounts for the users who are in the CASHostAccountRequired custom group.

2 Replace the default sas group with the new host system group for both directories.

3 Grant Read and Write group permissions to the new host system group for the directories.

4 Change directories to /opt/sas/viya/config/etc/cas/default.

5 Add Write permissions for the owner to the file casstartup_usermods.lua.
   ```
   sudo chmod +w casstartup_usermods.lua
   ```

6 Edit the casstartup_usermods.lua file and add the following code. Be sure to substitute the name of the new host group where specified.
   ```
   --Set permissions on the specified Caslibs to allow a host group containing CASHostAccountRequired users to write data.
   CHARLibraries={"modelStore","modelMonitorLibrary"}
   hostgroup="NewHostGroup"
   for k,v in pairs(CHARLibraries) do
     chgrpcmd = string.format("chgrp -R %s %s/%s",hostgroup,env.CASDATADIR,v)
     chmodcmd = string.format("chmod g+w -R %s/%s",env.CASDATADIR,v)
     print(string.format("Executing '%s'",chgrpcmd))
     print(string.format("Executing '%s'",chmodcmd))
     os.execute(chgrpcmd)
     os.execute(chmodcmd)
   end
   ```
   Note: The changes to the casstartup_usermods.lua file are necessary in order to preserve the modified directory permissions. Otherwise, the changes to the directory permissions would be overwritten by the initial default directory permissions when the CAS server is restarted.

7 Restart the CAS server to test your changes.

For more information, see “The CASHostAccountRequired Custom Group” in SAS Viya Administration: Identity Management and “User Accounts (Reference)” in SAS Viya for Linux: Deployment Guide.

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Add ModelStore and ModelPerformanceData Caslibs to a CAS Server

Note: If you add a new CAS server after the deployment of the Model Repository service on SAS Viya, verify that the ModelStore and ModelPerformanceData caslibs exist. If they do not exist, you must add the caslibs to the new CAS server.

1 Sign in to SAS Environment Manager as an administrator.

Note: If you are already logged in to SAS Model Manager, you can access SAS Environment Manager by clicking ⏱️ and selecting Manage Environment.
2 Click in the navigation bar. The SAS Data Explorer page appears.

3 Click the Data Sources tab.

4 Click on the Data Sources tab. The Connections Settings window appears.

5 Enter the name of the library (for example, ModelStore).

6 Select the CAS server (for example, cas-shared-myserver) where you want the new caslib to reside.

7 Select File system from the Type drop-down list.

8 Select the Persist this connection beyond the current session check box to add a global caslib for this connection.

9 Select PATH as the data source type.

10 Enter a value for Path on the Settings tab.

    Note: Use a similar path to the one specified for the ModelStore caslib on the cas-shared-default server.

11 Click Save.

12 Repeat steps 4 through 11 for the ModelPerformanceData caslib.

    Note: If you have users in the CASHostAccountRequired custom group, you must repeat the steps in the "File System Directory Permissions"

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## Configuring Access to Analytic Store Model Files

### Mapping Analytic Store Directories

In order to publish analytic store models or decisions that use analytic store models to the SAS Micro Analytic Service publishing destination, the model’s analytic store (ASTORE) file must be accessible from the /models/astores/viya directory path.

The Compute service extracts the ASTORE file from the analytic store’s CAS table in the ModelStore caslib and copies it to /opt/sas/viya/config/data/modelsvr/astore.

The service copies the ASTORE file when you do any of the following:

- run a decision test for a decision that uses the analytic store model
- set the analytic store model as a project champion in SAS Model Manager
- publish the analytic store model to SAS Micro Analytic Service from SAS Model Manager or Model Studio
In order to make the model's ASTORE file accessible, you must map the /opt/sas/viya/config/data/modelsvr/astore directory on the Compute server to the /models/astores/viya directory on each server that hosts either SAS Micro Analytic Service or SAS Event Stream Processing.

If the Compute Server and one of the consuming services are on the same server, the mapping can be a symbolic link. In a multi-host machine environment in which the Compute Server and the consuming services are located on different servers, you can use a Network File System (NFS) mount or another shared directory that points to the /opt/sas/viya/config/data/modelsvr/astore directory.

### Setting Permissions

**Note:** Users must have Read and Write permissions to the ModelStore caslib file system directory. For more information, see “File System Directory Permissions” on page 21.

Users who need to work with analytic store models must have Read and Write permissions to both the /opt/sas/viya/config/data/modelsvr/astore and /models/astores/viya directories. By default, the sas group has full permission to these directories. However, this group is intended for administrators. For more information, see “User Accounts (Reference)” in SAS Viya for Linux: Deployment Guide.

As an alternative, you can create a new system group and give members of the new group access to these directories.

1. Create a system group that contains the user accounts for users that need to work with analytic store models.
2. Replace the default sas group with the new group for both directory paths.
3. Grant members of the group Read and Write permissions for the directory paths.
4. Set the setgid bit on the directories.

   For more information, see Understanding Linux File Permissions and How to use special permissions: the setuid, setgid and sticky bits.

### Creating Analytic Store Directories in a Multi-Tenant Deployment

In a multi-tenant deployment, the steps for mapping analytic store directories and setting permissions on page 24 on the analytic store directories must be performed for each tenant after the tenant is onboarded. However, the directory paths must reflect the tenant name in place of viya.

For example, if the onboarded tenant is named “companyA”, use the following directory paths:

- /models/astores/companyA
- /opt/sas/companyA/config/data/modelsvr/astore
Promoting Analytic Store Models

When you promote analytic store models from one system to another using SAS Environment Manager or the sas-admin CLI transfer plug-in, you must manually copy the ModelStore caslib content that is stored in your file system from the source system to the target system.

Note: When you export an analytic store model using the SAS Model Manager 15.3 web application, the analytic store file is included in the ZIP file. If you re-import the analytic store model to the same system or another system, the analytic store file is copied to the ModelStore caslib.

The analytic store files are located in the /models/astores/viya directory. In a multi-tenant deployment, the analytic store files are located in the /models/astores/tenant directory.

For more information, see “Promoting Content” in SAS Model Manager: Administrator’s Guide.