



Getting Started with SAS[®] Viya[™] 3.2 for Java

Requirements

To use Java with SAS Cloud Analytic Services, the client machine that runs Java must meet the following requirements:

- Use a Java 8 runtime.
- Use the following runtime dependencies:
 - ANTLR runtime (3.5.2)
 - cas-client-3.1.4.jar (SAS Viya 3.1)
cas-client-3.2.9.jar (SAS Viya 3.2)
The JAR file is available for download at <http://support.sas.com/downloads/package.htm?pid=1976>.
 - Google Protocol Buffers (2.6.1)
 - json-20141113 (this dependency is required to use Java with the REST interface)

There is additional information that is common with other programming languages and authenticating with the server.

See Also

- *Client Authentication Using an Authinfo File*

How to Run Actions

View Server Status

The following code shows how to run the serverStatus action.

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Note: This example, and all the examples in this document require that you have access to a running instance of SAS Cloud Analytic Services. As a document convention, the host is presented as `cloud.example.com` and the network port is 5570. Contact your system administrator for the values to substitute.

ServerStatusExample1.java

```
import com.sas.cas.CASActionResults;
import com.sas.cas.CASClient;
import com.sas.cas.CASClientInterface;
import com.sas.cas.CASValue;
import com.sas.cas.actions.builtins.ServerStatusOptions;

public class ServerStatusExample1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        try (CASClientInterface client = new CASClient("cloud.example.com", 5570)) { // 1

            ServerStatusOptions options = new ServerStatusOptions(); // 2

            CASActionResults<CASValue> results = client.invoke(options);

            for (int i = 0; i < results.getResultsCount(); i++) {
                System.out.println(results.getResult(i));
            }

            // The CASClientInterface class implements java.lang.AutoCloseable
            // that was introduced in Java 1.7. The client.close() method is
            // automatically called to end the session and close the network socket.
        }
    }
}
```

- 1 The instance of the `CASClient` class is used to connect to SAS Cloud Analytic Services and start your session. Substitute your server's host name and port.
- 2 The instance of the `ServerStatusOptions` class identifies the action to run. In this case, the `ServerStatusOptions` class corresponds to the `serverStatus` action.

Results of the ServerStatus Action

```
{
  About= {
    CAS="Cloud Analytic Services"
    Version="3.01"
    VersionLong="V.03.01M0D09062016"
    Copyright="Copyright 2014-2016 SAS Institute Inc. All Rights Reserved."
    System= {
      Hostname="cloud"
      OS Name="Linux"
      OS Family="LIN X64"
      OS Release="2.6.32-573.el6.x86_64"
      OS Version="#1 SMP Wed Jul 1 18:23:37 EDT 2015"
      Model Number="x86_64"
    }
  }
  license= {
    site="SAS Institute Inc."
    siteNum=1
    expires="03Nov2016:00:00:00"
    gracePeriod=62
    warningPeriod=31
  }
}
{
  server=server
Node Count Total Actions
-----
           8           1
1 row
}
{
  nodestatus=nodes
Node Name          Role          Uptime (Sec) Running Stalled
-----
cloud1.unx.sas.com worker          0.044         0         0
cloud2.unx.sas.com worker          0.042         0         0
cloud3.unx.sas.com worker          0.045         0         0
cloud4.unx.sas.com worker          0.042         0         0
cloud5.unx.sas.com worker          0.045         0         0
cloud6.unx.sas.com worker          0.043         0         0
cloud7.unx.sas.com worker          0.045         0         0
cloud.unx.sas.com  controller     0.041         0         0 1
8 rows
}
```

- 1 The results are shown for a distributed server that uses eight machines. For a single-machine server, the results include the line for the controller node only.

The results of the serverStatus action include three keys, as shown in the output. You can filter the results by the key:

```
...
CASActionResults<CASValue> results = client.invoke(options);

if (null != results) {
  System.out.println(CASValue.getValue(results, "server"));
}
...
```

The output includes the results for the Server key only:

```

{
  server=server
  Node Count Total Actions
  -----
           8           1
1 row
}

```

Fluent Interface Programming

The SAS Viya 3.2 release adds a fluent interface. For example, the following snippet invokes the `builtins.serverStatus` action by using the `getActionSets` method on the client object:

```

CASActionResults<CASValue> result = client.getActionSets()
    .builtins()
    .serverStatus()
    .invoke();

```

An alternative is to invoke the action using the client context alone (this uses the last client that is instantiated or used):

```

CASActionResults<CASValue> result = new ServerStatusOptions().invoke();

```

See Also

See [Modification: Use the Fluent Interface on page 8](#).

Example: View Descriptive Statistics

Setup

This example requires that you have in-memory data to analyze. You can use a sample program that is included with the `cas-client` JAR file to read a CSV file and then transfer the data to the server.

Download the `orsales.csv` file from <http://support.sas.com/documentation/onlinedoc/viya/examples.htm>.

After you download the file, run the following command. You must have the `cas-client`, `ANTLR`, and the `Google protobuf` JAR files in your `CLASSPATH`:

```

java com.sas.cas.samples.table.AddCSVSample host="cloud.example.com" port=5570 path=orsales.csv
promote=true table=orsales

```

TIP You can run `java com.sas.cas.samples.table.AddCSVSample -help` to list the command-line options.

```

Guessing variable info from orsales.csv
Found 8 variable(s)
{formattedLength=4,length=8,name="Year",offset=0,rType="NUMERIC",type="SAS"}
{length=16,name="Quarter",offset=8,rType="CHAR",type="VARCHAR"}
{length=16,name="Product_Line",offset=24,rType="CHAR",type="VARCHAR"}
{length=16,name="Product_Category",offset=40,rType="CHAR",type="VARCHAR"}
{length=16,name="Product_Group",offset=56,rType="CHAR",type="VARCHAR"}
{formattedLength=3,length=8,name="Quantity",offset=72,rType="NUMERIC",type="SAS"}
{formattedLength=7,length=8,name="Profit",offset=80,rType="NUMERIC",type="SAS"}
{formattedLength=4,length=8,name="Total_Retail_Price",offset=88,rType="NUMERIC",type="SAS"}
[Authenticated to cloud.example.com:5570] User=sasdemo
Table change event received
Processed 912 line(s) and 912 row(s)

```

The promote command-line option is needed to add the table to global scope in your personal caslib. (Information about caslibs is available in *SAS Cloud Analytic Services: Fundamentals* and the Tables action set information in *SAS Viya: System Programming Guide*.)

To confirm that the table is still in-memory on the server, you can run the TableInfoSample utility:

```
java com.sas.cas.samples.table.TableInfoSample host="cloud.example.com" port=5570
```

The key information is to ensure that the results include the Orsales table:

```

[Authenticated to cloud.example.com:5570] User=sasdemo
Disposition Events:
CASDisposition [time=2016-09-21 15:33:55.057, severity=0, reason=0, statusCode= 0, statusMessage=, debugInfo=]
Performance Events:
CASPerformanceEvent [time=2016-09-21 15:33:54.986, elapsedTime=0.015880000000000002, cpuTime=0.0,
systemTime=0.0, totalNodes=0, totalCores=0, wallTime=293, stats={system_nodes=8, system_cores=256,
memory=1111040, cpu_system_time=0.021995999999999998, elapsed_time=0.015880000000000002, memory_os=52854784,
memory_quota=52854784, cpu_user_time=0.009998, system_total_memory=2166657482752}]
(No log events)
Result Values:
{
  TableInfo=TableInfo Table Information for Caslib CASUSERHDFS(sasdemo)
Name      Rows Columns Encoding Created          Last Modified      Character Set CreateTime
ModTime   Global Repeated View Loaded Source Source Caslib Compressed Table Creator Last Modifier
-----
-----
ORSALES   912      8 utf-8      21Sep2016:15:23:51 21Sep2016:15:23:51 UTF8              1790090631.241056
1790090631.241056      1          0  0                      0 sasdemo
1 row
}

```

Run the Summary Action

After the Orsales data is loaded into memory, you can run a program that accesses the in-memory table and runs the summary action on the data.

SummaryExample1.java

```

import com.sas.cas.CASActionResults;
import com.sas.cas.CASClient;
import com.sas.cas.CASClientInterface;
import com.sas.cas.CASValue;

import com.sas.cas.actions.simple.SummaryOptions;
import static com.sas.cas.actions.simple.SummaryOptions.SUBSET.*;
import com.sas.cas.actions.Castable;

```

```

public class SummaryExample1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        try (CASClientInterface client = new CASClient("cloud.example.com", 5570)) {

            SummaryOptions so = new SummaryOptions();
            so.setSummarySubset(                                     // 1
                new SummaryOptions.SUBSET[]{MIN, MAX, MEAN, N, NMISS, STD, STDERR}
            );

            Castable table = new Castable();                       // 2
            table.setName("orsales");
            so.setTable(table);

            CASActionResults<CASValue> results = client.invoke(so);

            for (int i = 0; i < results.getResultsCount(); i++) {
                System.out.println(results.getResult(i));
            }
        }
    }
}

```

- 1 A subset of the available descriptive statistics is used with the SummaryOptions class.
- 2 The Castable class is used to represent in-memory tables. In the program, only the table name is set, but you can set several parameters, such as those used in BY-group processing, filtering with a where parameter, and so on.

Summary Action Results

```

{
  Summary=Summary Descriptive Statistics for ORSALES
  Analysis Variable  Min    Max      N    Number Missing Mean          Std Dev.      Std Error
  -----
  Year              1999    2002  912          0          2000.5      1.11864745   0.03704212
  Quantity          10      9026  912          0  1465.08552632  1621.72304437  53.70061616
  Profit           209.8   552970.51  912          0  64786.23735197  84128.37618423  2785.76891008
  Total_Retail_Price 422.3  1159837.26  912          0  122090.6840625  166576.07510888  5515.88503487
  4 rows
}

```

Modification: BY-Group Processing

As indicated in the preceding program, you can specify a `groupBy` parameter for the `Castable` class. The following modifications to the program demonstrate how to perform BY-group processing:

```

// add the following two imports
import com.sas.cas.actions.Castable;
import com.sas.cas.actions.CasinvarDESC;

// these lines are the snippet from the previous program
SummaryOptions so = new SummaryOptions();
so.setSummarySubset(

```

```

    new SummaryOptions.SUBSET[] {MIN, MAX, MEAN, N, NMISS, STD, STDERR}
);

Castable table = new Castable();
table.setName("orsales");
table.setGroupBy(new Casinvardesc[] { // 1
    new Casinvardesc().setName("year").setFormattedLength(32),
    new Casinvardesc().setName("product_line")
});
so.setTable(table);

```

- 1 The `setGroupBy()` method for the `Castable` instance is used to set the variable to use for grouping. The formatted values of the `Year` and `Product_Line` variables in the `Orsales` table are used to form unique groups. The summary action is run on each group and descriptive statistics are generated for each group.

When you perform a BY-group analysis, the results include a table that is named `ByGroupInfo`. This table shows the unique groups that were formed from the formatted values of the specified variables.

The results also include a result table for each group. The results for the first two groups (`ByGroup1.Summary` and `ByGroup2.Summary`) follow the `ByGroupInfo` information.

Summary Action Results with BY-Group Processing

```
{
  ByGroupInfo=ByGroupInfo ByGroupInfo
  Year Year_f      Product_Line  Product_Line_f  _key_
  -----
  1999      1999 Children      Children      1999      Children
  1999      1999 Clothes & Shoes Clothes & Shoes 1999      Clothes & Shoes
  1999      1999 Outdoors     Outdoors     1999      Outdoors
  1999      1999 Sports       Sports       1999      Sports
  2000      2000 Children      Children      2000      Children
  2000      2000 Clothes & Shoes Clothes & Shoes 2000      Clothes & Shoes
  2000      2000 Outdoors     Outdoors     2000      Outdoors
  2000      2000 Sports       Sports       2000      Sports
  2001      2001 Children      Children      2001      Children
  2001      2001 Clothes & Shoes Clothes & Shoes 2001      Clothes & Shoes
  2001      2001 Outdoors     Outdoors     2001      Outdoors
  2001      2001 Sports       Sports       2001      Sports
  2002      2002 Children      Children      2002      Children
  2002      2002 Clothes & Shoes Clothes & Shoes 2002      Clothes & Shoes
  2002      2002 Outdoors     Outdoors     2002      Outdoors
  2002      2002 Sports       Sports       2002      Sports
  16 rows
}
{
  ByGroup1.Summary=Summary Descriptive Statistics for ORSALES
  Analysis Variable  Min    Max      N  Number Missing Mean          Std Dev.      Std Error
  -----
  Year                1999    1999  44          0          1999          0              0
  Quantity              14    2458  44          0    650.29545455  593.2126792    89.43017626
  Profit              288.8 44840.28 44          0 12308.00204545 12121.86661139 1827.4401504
  Total_Retail_Price  580.4 82469.83 44          0 22797.47590909 22253.3548058 3354.81946443
  4 rows
}
{
  ByGroup2.Summary=Summary Descriptive Statistics for ORSALES
  Analysis Variable  Min    Max      N  Number Missing Mean          Std Dev.      Std Error
  -----
  Year                1999    1999  72          0          1999          0              0
  Quantity              25    6853  72          0 1499.33333333 1796.72279913 211.74581253
  Profit              1925.1 340341.14 72          0 58189.28652778 73018.65472409 8605.33098475
  Total_Retail_Price  3433 686906.59 72          0 111268.78444444 145044.2577739 17093.62970735
  4 rows
}
}
```

Only the results for the first two groups are shown. A total of 16 result tables are available, as shown by the number of rows in the ByGroupInfo table.

Modification: Use the Fluent Interface

The following program is a modification of the BY-group processing program. The highlighted lines demonstrate the fluent interface style that is introduced with the SAS Viya 3.2 release.

SummaryExampleFluent.java

```
import com.sas.cas.CASActionResults;
import com.sas.cas.CASClient;
import com.sas.cas.CASClientInterface;
import com.sas.cas.CASValue;

import com.sas.cas.actions.simple.SummaryOptions;
```

```

import static com.sas.cas.actions.simple.SummaryOptions.SUBSET.*;
import com.sas.cas.actions.Castable;
import com.sas.cas.actions.Casinvardesc;

public class SummaryExampleFluent {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        try {
            CASClientInterface client = new CASClient("cloud.example.com", 5570);

            Castable table = new Castable();
            table.setName("orsales");
            table.setGroupBy(new Casinvardesc[] {
                new Casinvardesc().setName("year").setFormattedLength(32),
                new Casinvardesc().setName("product_line")
            });

            CASActionResults<CASValue> results = client.getActionSets()
                .simple()
                .summary().setTable(table).setSubSet(
                    new SummaryOptions.SUBSET[]{MIN, MAX, MEAN, N, NMISS, STD, STDERR}
                )
                .invoke();

            if (null == results) {
                System.err.println("Failed to run the summary action.");
                return;
            }

            for (int i = 0; i < results.getResultsCount(); i++) {
                System.out.println(results.getResult(i));
            }
        } finally {
            // production code should include exception handling
        }
    }
}

```

The results of the program are identical to the BY-group processing program.

Working with Results

The following list identifies the commonly used classes for working with the results of an action:

com.sas.cas.CASActionResults

After an action runs, the results are wrapped in a CASActionResults object. A CASActionResults object contains a list of CASValue objects, logs, and performance information.

com.sas.cas.CASValue

A CASValue class is a key/value pair. The key is a string, and the value can be any data type. A common data type is an instance of CASTable. Tabular results are represented as CASTable objects. Other possible value types are primitives (Integer, Long, Double, String, Boolean) as well as lists of type CASValue.

com.sas.cas.CASTable

The CASTable class provides methods to query metadata and to traverse the data in the result table.

The following code shows one way to display the contents of a CASTable:

```

import com.sas.cas.CASTable;

...

// First, output the column names
StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer();
for (int i = 0; i < resultTable.getColumnCount(); i++) {
    if (i > 0) sb.append(" ");
    sb.append(resultTable.getColumns()[i].getName());
}
System.out.println(sb);

// Now, display the data
for (int row = 0; row < resultTable.getRowCount(); row++) {
    sb = new StringBuffer();
    for (int i = 0; i < resultTable.getColumnCount(); i++) {
        if (i > 0) sb.append(" ");
        sb.append(resultTable.getStringAt(row, i));
    }
    System.out.println(sb);
}

```

The CASTable class also has a convenience toString() method for formatting the result table as a String value. The following code shows how to return:

- a String that is formatted with aligned columns
- display column labels
- display a maximum of 1000 rows
- display 6 decimals for numeric types

```
String s = resultTable.toString(OutputType.PRETTY, true, 1000, 6);
```

The following code shows how to return:

- a String that is formatted as CSV (comma-separated values)
- display column labels
- display a maximum of 500 rows
- display 8 decimals for numeric types

```
String s = resultTable.toString(OutputType.CSV, true, 500, 8);
```

Working with Events

Events and the CASActionResults Class

By default, all server events are returned as part of the CASActionResults object that is returned by the invoke() method. This means that you have access to all events after the action is complete. Alternatively, you can register a listener for each type of event to receive the event as it is streamed from the server.

Log Events

Log events are generated by the server when information is sent to the log. A log event consists of a type (such as WARN or ERROR) and a message.

If you want to receive log events as they are streamed from the server, you need to register a `CASLogEventListener` on the action options object before you invoke the action:

```
// Set the log event listener. This handles the log events as they
// come from the server instead of accessing them from the results
// after the action is complete.
options.setLogEventListener(new CASLogEventListener() {

    @Override
    public boolean handleLogEvent(CASActionOptions options, CASLogEvent logEvent) {

        System.out.println("# " + logEvent);

        // Return the propagate flag. If true, the log event
        // is propagated to the result object. Otherwise nothing
        // else will be done with the log event.
        return false;
    }
});
```

Performance Events

Performance events are generated by the server when an action is designed to inform the caller about certain performance characteristics of the action. A performance event can include timings (elapsed time, CPU time, and so on), memory usage, node usage, and CPU core usage.

If you want to receive performance events as they are streamed from the server, you need to register a `CASPerformanceEventListener` on the action options object before you invoke the action:

```
// Set the performance event listener. This handles the performance events as they
// come from the server instead of accessing them from the results
// after the action is complete.
options.setPerformanceEventListener(new CASPerformanceEventListener() {

    @Override
    public boolean handlePerformanceEvent(CASActionOptions options, CASPerformanceEvent performanceEvent) {

        System.out.println("# " + performanceEvent);

        // Return the propagate flag. If true, the performance event
        // is propagated to the result object. Otherwise nothing
        // else will be done with the performance event.
        return false;
    }
});
```

Disposition Events

Disposition events are generated by the server when an action completes or fails. A disposition event contains a severity, reason, and message.

If you want to receive disposition events as they are streamed from the server, you need to register a `CASDispositionEventListener` on the action options object before you invoke the action:

```
// Set the disposition event listener. This handles the disposition events as they
// come from the server instead of accessing them from the results
// after the action is complete.
options.setDispositionEventListener(new CASDispositionEventListener() {
```

```

@Override
public boolean handleDispositionEvent(CASActionOptions options, CASDispositionEvent dispositionEvent) {

    System.out.println("# " + dispositionEvent);

    // Return the propagate flag. If true, the disposition event
    // is propagated to the result object. Otherwise nothing
    // else will be done with the disposition event.
    return false;
}
});

```

Message Tag Events

A message tag event is different from the other event types. For a few actions, the action can send a message back to the client during the invocation of the action to request additional information. This is done with a message tag. See `com.sas.cas.message.CASMessageHeader` for the list of tags.

The `addTable` action in the table action set is an example of an action that uses message tag events. The `addTable` action sends a message back to the client so that the client can determine when to send data rows to the server and populate a table. In order to handle this message, which has a `DATA` tag, you must register a message tag handler (of type `CASMessageTagHandler`) on the action options.

The following code shows an example of `CASMessageTagHandler`, which simply returns no data:

```

@Override
public boolean handleMessageTag(CASMessageTagEvent event) throws CASException, IOException {

    // Just create the table; don't send any rows
    CASDataAppender.sendZeroRows(event);

    // Do not propagate the response
    return false;
}

```

To use this message tag handler, you must register the handler on the action options before you invoke the action:

```
options.setMessageTagHandler(CASMessageHeader.TAG_DATA, <the handler>);
```

To send data rows to the server (to append data to the table), use this message handler, which is more sophisticated than the first example:

```

@Override
public boolean handleMessageTag(CASMessageTagEvent event) throws CASException, IOException {

    // Get the variable list
    Addtablevariable[] vars = (Addtablevariable[]) event.getOptions().get(AddTableOptions.KEY_VARS);
    Integer reclen = (Integer) event.getOptions().get(AddTableOptions.KEY_RECLLEN);
    if (reclen == null) {
        // This shouldn't happen. The server should have verified.
        throw new CASException("Missing reclen");
    }

    // Create our data appender
    CASDataAppender appender = new CASDataAppender(event, vars, reclen, bufSize);

    // Creates a new random generator with the given seed

```

```

Random r = new Random(0);

for (int i = 0; i < nrows; i++) {
    appender.setDouble(0, i);
    appender.setString(1, "Some String at " + i);
    appender.setDouble(2, r.nextDouble());
    appender.appendRecord();
}

appender.close();

// Do not propagate the response
return false;
}

```

The preceding code is suitable for handling message tag events from the addTable action (`com.sas.actions.table.AddTableOptions` class). Another action that uses message tag events, the upload action (a specialized `com.sas.cas.io.UploadDataTagHandler` class), is available. It accepts a filename or an `InputStream` as the input.

Server Events

You can register for a few types of events generated by the server. These events include:

- Caslib list has changed
- Table list has changed
- Action set has been added
- Data source list has changed
- Permissions have changed

To register for one or more of these events, add an event listener:

```

client.addEventListener(CASConstants.EVENT_FLAG_CASLIBS, new CASEventListener() {
    @Override
    public void handleCASEvent(long flag) {
        // Do something with the event
    }
});

```

You can register for multiple events:

```

client.addEventListener(
    CASConstants.EVENT_FLAG_CASLIBS | CASConstants.EVENT_FLAG_TABLES,
    new CASEventListener() {
        @Override
        public void handleCASEvent(long flag) {
            // Do something with the event
            if (flag == CASConstants.EVENT_FLAG_CASLIBS) {
                // Do something - the caslibs have changed
            }
            else if (flag == CASConstants.EVENT_FLAG_TABLES) {
                // Do something - the tables have changed
            }
        }
    }
});

```

Server events are packaged as part of an action response, so these are not asynchronous events. Event notification occurs when an action completes. Some types of clients might desire to "poll" for events. This can be done simply by invoking any action, such as `com.sas.cas.actions.builtins.PingOptions`.

Socket Events

The `CASSocketEventListener` class provides callbacks for when a new socket connection is established and when a socket connection is closed. This enables you to customize socket settings, such as the time-out.

```
// Register our socket event listener
client.setSocketEventListener(new CASSocketEventListener() {

    @Override
    public void handleSocketConnectionEvent(CASClientInterface client, Socket socket) {
        System.out.println("Socket opened");
    }

    @Override
    public void handleSocketClosedEvent(CASClientInterface client, Socket socket) {
        System.out.println("Socket closed");
    }
});
```

Connections and Actions: Finer Points

TLS (SSL) Connections

SAS Cloud Analytic Services supports encrypted connections between the server and clients such as Java applications. When the server is configured to use encryption between the client and the server, all user data and all authentication data between the client and server is encrypted using SSL.

If the server is configured to use encryption, then it notifies the client during the authentication phase and the `CASClient` class attempts to connect using standard SSL.

For more information about TLS and SSL, see *Encryption in SAS Viya: Data in Motion*.

REST Connections

By default, and shown in the examples in this document, the `CASClient` class uses sockets to communicate with the server. You can also use a REST implementation that uses HTTP or HTTPS to communicate with the REST interface that is available on the CAS controller. The REST interface supports username and password authentication. You can specify these values, or they can be retrieved from your `.authinfo` file (as shown in the following section).

To use the REST interface with username and password authentication, simply instantiate the `CASRestClient` class instead of the `CASClient`:

```
// import the following classes
import com.sas.cas.rest.CASRestClient;
import java.util.URL;

// Instantiate a new REST client. Set the URL and optionally, username and password
CASClientInterface client = new CASRestClient(new URL("http://cloud.example.com:5570"));
```

As with the CASClient class, the CASRestClient class searches for credentials in your .authinfo file if you do not specify username and password arguments.

Note: JSON is used to communicate with the server. You must include a json-20141113.jar (or a later version) in your CLASSPATH. The actions that use message tag events to exchange data with the server are not supported with the REST interface. These include, but are not limited to, the addTable and upload actions.

TIP Working with the CASRestClient class does not require any special coding as compared to the CASClient class. However, if you want to see the JSON messages, you can set the following property on the command line:

```
-Dcom.sas.cas.rest.debug=true
```

Working with SAS Missing Values

SAS has a concept of a missing value that is often compared to a null value, but is somewhat different.

CAS actions can return missing value types. For these missing values, bits are set in the standard double NaN value. In order to retrieve the missing value type, use the CASMissingValue class to decode it:

```
if (Double.isNaN(value)) {
    String type = CASMissingValue.getMissingValueType(value);
    ...
}
```

The missing value type is a letter (such as "I") that represents the corresponding missing type created by the CAS action.

Action Parameters

The example code that is shown in this document uses "setter" methods for a class that corresponds to a CAS action. For example, the following code uses the setTable() method in the SummaryOptions class to identify the table to use in the analysis:

```
SummaryOptions so = new SummaryOptions();

Castable table = new Castable();
table.setName("orsales");
so.setTable(table);
```

As shown in the preceding example, it is typical to instantiate a class for the CAS action and then set named parameter values. The action object is essentially a Map with keys and values. This similarity to a Map enables another way to specify parameters and invoke actions. Strictly, the only argument that is necessary is a CASActionOptions object, and this enables an alternative way to invoke actions.

Some CAS actions take parameter lists as arguments. A common example is the table parameter. A parameter list is a sublist of parameters and can be represented either as a Map or as a CASActionOptions instance with no action set or action name. The following code is a rewrite of [SummaryExample1.java on page 5](#) that shows how the actions and parameters are essentially Maps and CASActionOptions instances:

UseOptions.java

```
import com.sas.cas.CASActionResults;
import com.sas.cas.CASClient;
import com.sas.cas.CASClientInterface;
import com.sas.cas.CASValue;

import com.sas.cas.CASActionOptions;
```

```

import java.util.Map;
import java.util.HashMap;

public class UseOptions {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        try {
            CASClientInterface client = new CASClient("cloud.example.com", 5570);

            // Set up the simple.summary action options
            CASActionOptions summaryOptions =
                new CASActionOptions("simple", "summary"); // 1
            summaryOptions.setParameter("summarySubset",
                new String[] {"MIN", "MAX", "MEAN", "N", "NMISS", "STD", "STDERR"}
            );

            // A table is a parameter list which can be represented as Map or an instance
            // of CASActionOptions (which is a Map)
            Map<String, Object> tableParams = new HashMap<String, Object>(); // 2

            // The table name
            tableParams.put("name", "orsales");

            // An array of parameter names
            tableParams.put("vars", // 3
                new String[] {"year", "quarter", "quantity", "profit", "total_retail_price"}
            );

            // Set the table parameter list
            summaryOptions.setParameter("table", tableParams);

            // Perform the analysis - generate descriptive statistics
            CASActionResults<CASValue> results = client.invoke(summaryOptions);

            for (int i = 0; i < results.getResultsCount(); i++) {
                System.out.println(results.getResult(i));
            }
        }
        finally {
            // production code should include exception handling
        }
    }
}

```

- 1 The instance of the `CASActionOptions("simple", "summary")` class specifies `simple` as the action set and `summary` as the action. The instance is equivalent to instantiating an instance of the `com.sas.cas.actions.simple.SummaryOptions` class.
- 2 The `HashMap` instance is equivalent to the `Castable` class that represents an in-memory table.
- 3 Specifying the variables is not equivalent to the `SummaryExample1.java` code. However, it shows how the `Map` is used to specify the `vars` parameter for the `summary` action.

An alternative way to specify the variable names in the `vars` parameter is to use an instance of the `List` class:

```

List<String> variableNames = new ArrayList<String>();
variableNames.add("year");
variableNames.add("quarter");
variableNames.add("quantity");

```

```
variableNames.add("profit");
variableNames.add("total_retail_price");
tableParams.put("vars", variableNames);
```

The results are identical to the results for the SummaryExample1.java code.

```
{
  Summary=Summary Descriptive Statistics for ORSALES
  Analysis Variable  Min    Max      N  Number Missing Mean          Std Dev.      Std Error
  -----
  Year              1999    2002  912          0      2000.5      1.11864745   0.03704212
  Quantity          10      9026  912          0  1465.08552632  1621.72304437  53.70061616
  Profit            209.8   552970.51  912          0  64786.23735197  84128.37618423  2785.76891008
  Total_Retail_Price 422.3   1159837.26  912          0  122090.6840625  166576.07510888  5515.88503487
  4 rows
}
```

More about Sessions

When a CASClient instance is created, the client does not make a connection to the server immediately. The client/server connection is established when the client invokes any server-side action for the first time. If no session ID is specified on the client-side when the CASClient instance is created, then a new session is created.

The CASClient class provides a getSessionID() method to retrieve the session ID from an existing session. If you want to attach to an existing session, then use the setSessionID() method in a CASClient instance to specify the ID of the session. If the client is not attached to any session, then getSessionID() returns null.

The CASClient class implements the java.lang.AutoCloseable interface. As a result, if the client instance is created in a try block, then the session is terminated and the socket connection is automatically closed at the end of the try block. If you want more control over terminating your session and closing a connection, you can write code to perform those tasks.

As suggested, terminating a session (calling the EndSession action) and closing a connection (calling CASClient.close() method) are two different things. The EndSession action ends the current session on the server. The CASClient.close() method closes the socket connection between the client and the server.

If you call CASClient.close(), the connection is closed, but the session still exists and continues to run on the server. This enables you to re-connect to the same session later. The session is subject to a time-out, so a disconnected session runs until it reaches the time-out. Disconnected sessions do not run indefinitely.

To terminate a session and close a connection, you need to invoke the EndSession action and then call CASClient.close(), in this order. Or you can call CASClient.close(true), which invokes the EndSession action before it closes the connection.

Sample Java Programs

About the Sample Programs

Several sample programs are available for download as source code. These samples demonstrate how to use a wider range of classes than the example programs that are included in this document. They also demonstrate more realistic programming practices such as instantiating instances of classes, modest exception handling, and so on. You can download the programs from the following URL:

<http://support.sas.com/downloads/package.htm?pid=1976>

The programs are also available as compiled classes in the `cas-client` JAR file. You can run the sample programs from the command line. The `com.sas.cas.samples.table.AddCSVSample` is included in the [setup on page 4](#) in another section of this document.

You can run each program with the `-help` command-line option to learn the parameters to specify as key=value pairs.

```
java com.sas.cas.samples.FileInfoSample -help
```

Usage:

```
FileInfoSample [caslib=<caslib>] [disablessl=<true|false>] host=<host> [n=<n>]
[nodes=<nodes>] [password=<password>] [path=<path>] [pause=<true|false>] [port=<port>]
[rest=<true|false>] [sessionid=<sessionid>] [username=<username>]
```

Where:

```
caslib      CAS library name
disablessl  disablessl (default is false)
host        Host name (or host:port)
n           The number of times to execute the action (default is 1)
nodes       Number of nodes to use when creating a session (default is 0)
password    Password
path        The path of the file or table (default is /)
pause       'true' to pause before invoking the sample (default is false)
port        Port number
rest        'true' to use the REST interface (default is false)
sessionid   Session ID to join
username    User name
```

To run the `FileInfoSample` program, your command line might resemble the following example:

```
java com.sas.cas.samples.FileInfoSample host="cloud.example.com" port=5570
```

TIP To simplify running the samples, you can create a file in the current working directory that is named `CASClient.properties` and specify frequently used arguments such as `host` and `port`. Use the standard key=value syntax for Java properties files. Although you can specify a `username` key and `password` key in the properties file, it is more secure to store them in a `.authinfo` file.

com.sas.cas.samples

These samples cover a wide variety of functionality. They demonstrate the basics of running actions and working with events.

com.sas.cas.samples.ActionEventSample

shows how to register an action event listener. Action events are fired before an action invocation is sent to the server.

com.sas.cas.samples.DispositionEventSample

shows how to register a disposition event listener to handle disposition events as they occur, instead of accessing the disposition events from the results after the action completes.

com.sas.cas.samples.FetchSample

shows how to perform a basic fetch of data from an in-memory table.

com.sas.cas.samples.FileInfoSample

shows how to get file information from a `caslib`'s data source.

com.sas.cas.samples.LoadActionSetSample

shows how to load an action set into your session.

com.sas.cas.samples.LogEventSample

shows how to register a log event listener to handle log events as they occur, instead of accessing log events from the results after the action completes.

`com.sas.cas.samples.PerformanceEventSample`

shows how to register a performance event listener to handle performance events as they occur, instead of accessing performance events from the results after the action completes.

`com.sas.cas.samples.PingSample`

shows how to run the `builtins.ping` action.

`com.sas.cas.samples.QueryActionSetSample`

shows how to query a server to determine whether an action set is loaded.

`com.sas.cas.samples.ReflectionSample`

shows how to reflect the loaded action sets and actions.

`com.sas.cas.samples.ServerStatusSample`

shows how to invoke the server status action.

`com.sas.cas.samples.ShutdownSample`

shows how to shut down a server.

`com.sas.cas.samples.SocketEventSample`

shows how to register a socket event listener to handle socket open and close events.

`com.sas.cas.samples.TableAttributesSample`

shows how to get table attributes.

`com.sas.cas.samples.TableEventSample`

shows how to register a table event listener to handle `CASTable` creation events.

`com.sas.cas.samples.builtins`

These samples demonstrate two system-level actions from the `builtins` action set.

`com.sas.cas.samples.builtins.HelpSample`

shows how to retrieve help from the server.

`com.sas.cas.samples.builtins.ListNodesSample`

shows how to get a list of nodes from the server.

`com.sas.cas.sample.simple`

These samples demonstrate how to run a few of the analytics actions in the `simple` action set.

`com.sas.cas.samples.simple.CrosstabSample`

shows how to execute the `simple.crosstab` action.

`com.sas.cas.samples.simple.NumrowsSample`

shows how to get the number of rows in a table.

`com.sas.cas.samples.simple.SummarySample`

shows how to execute the `simple.summary` action.

`com.sas.cas.samples.table`

These samples demonstrate the basics of working with data to add tables into the work and retrieve information about in-memory tables.

`com.sas.cas.samples.table.AddCaslibSample`

shows how to add a caslib to the server and register a server event listener.

`com.sas.cas.samples.table.AddCSVSample`

shows how to add a local CSV file into the server.

- `com.sas.cas.samples.table.AddCSVWithTransformSample`
shows how to add a local CSV file into the server using a data transformer to convert various date and time formats into the appropriate CAS data type.
- `com.sas.cas.samples.table.AddTableSample`
shows how to add a table to the server and append rows.
- `com.sas.cas.samples.table.ColumnInfoSample`
shows how to retrieve column information from a table.
- `com.sas.cas.samples.table.EmptyTableSample`
shows how to add an empty table to the server.
- `com.sas.cas.samples.table.FetchByCursorSample`
shows how to fetch data from an in-memory table and then process the `CASTable` with a cursor using `CASTable.next()`.
- `com.sas.cas.samples.table.TableExistsSample`
shows how to check if a table exists in the server.
- `com.sas.cas.samples.table.TableInfoSample`
shows how to retrieve table information from the server.

System Properties

You can set system properties to affect how the classes in the cas-client JAR file operate. For example, the following command results in printing debugging information about how the `.authinfo` file is processed:

```
java -Dcom.sas.cas.authinfo.debug=true YourApplication
```

The following list describes several system properties:

- `com.sas.cas.append.buffer.size`
If set, this property defines the initial row buffer size (in bytes) used for appending data to a table. The default is 131072 (128K) bytes.
- `com.sas.cas.authinfo.enabled`
if set, this property defines whether credentials are read from `.authinfo` if no other user credentials are provided. The valid values are true or false. The default is true.
- `com.sas.cas.authinfo.debug`
If set, this property controls the printing of debugging information to `stderr` for `.authinfo` processing. The valid values are true or false. The default is false.
- `com.sas.cas.max.table.mem.size`
If set, this property defines the maximum size of a result `CASTable` (in bytes) before caching the table to disk. The default is 0, meaning never cache to disk.
- `com.sas.cas.protobuf.size.limit`
If set, this property defines the protobuf message size limit. The default is 67108864 (64 MB) bytes.
- `com.sas.cas.rest.debug`
If set, this property controls the printing of JSON responses to `stdout` from the REST client. The valid values are true or false. The default is false.
- `com.sas.cas.session.close`
If set, this property defines whether sessions are terminated when a `CASClient` object is closed. The valid values are true or false. The default is false.

These system properties correspond to the fields in `com.sas.cas.CASConstants`.

Using the CAS Shell

About the Shell

The cas-client JAR file includes the `com.sas.cas.Cash` class. This class provides a shell-like interface to SAS Cloud Analytic Services that enables you to submit actions using Lua syntax.

Using the CAS shell can help you determine the results of an action before you write the Java code to handle the results.

The requirements for running the CAS shell are identical to the requirements for developing Java programs. See [Requirements on page 1](#).

Connecting to a Server

To use the CAS shell, you must meet all the requirements for developing and running Java applications with CAS. Specifically, the cas-client JAR file must be in your CLASSPATH. Creating a `.authinfo` file or `CASClient.properties` file is an alternative to providing credentials interactively.

Start the CAS Shell

```
java com.sas.cas.Cash
```

CASH Prompt



Be aware that even though the CAS shell is started, it is not yet connected to a CAS server or started a CAS session. At the shell prompt, you can specify the host name and port to use:

Connect and Run the SessionId Action

```
cash> host=host=cloud.example.com:5570
cash> s:session_sessionId{}
```

Note: If you do not have a `.authinfo` file or `CASClient.properties` file, then specify values for `username=` and `password=` just like `host=` is specified.

SessionId Action Results

```
{
  Session:Fri Mar  3 14:12:27 2017="41364ae2-3867-504c-815a-b248681b82af"
}
[Performance] Elapsed 0.000
[Disposition] (OK)
```

After you submit the `sessionId` action, there is a brief pause as a connection to the specified server is made and a session is started.

For the purpose of comparison, the first Java program in this document demonstrated how to use the `com.sas.cas.actions.builtins.ServerStatusOptions` class. The equivalent action in Lua syntax is to run the `builtins_serverStatus` action:

Run the `ServerStatus` Action

```
cash> s:builtins_serverStatus{}
```

```
{
  About= {
    CAS="Cloud Analytic Services"
    Version="3.02"
    VersionLong="V.03.02M0P02272017"
    Copyright="Copyright © 2014-2017 SAS Institute Inc. All Rights Reserved."
    System= {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

Next Steps

- The CAS shell includes a help command. Many common tasks are available from the shell commands rather than running an action.

```
cash> help
!!                Executes the last command
!<n>              Executes the specified command number from history
caslib            Sets the caslib
caslibs           Shows the currently defined caslibs
charset           Sets the charset for reading action scripts
...
```

- For more information about the Lua syntax for running CAS actions, see *Getting Started with SAS Viya for Lua*.
- Understand that the Lua syntax convention for a CAS session is represented by the variable named 's.' The corresponding Java variable is an instance of the `CASClient` class.
- Understand that for an action such as `builtins_serverStatus`, there is a corresponding Java class that is named `com.sas.cas.actions.builtins.ServerStatusOptions`.