SDK Overview
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Introduction to the SiteMinder SDK

The SiteMinder Software Development Kit (SDK) provides Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) that let you perform the following tasks:

- Create custom front-end applications that leverage SiteMinder services.
- Extend SiteMinder functionality through server plug-ins.

The following table summarizes the custom applications and Policy Server extensions you can write using the APIs in the SiteMinder SDK:

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<th>Purpose and Associated API</th>
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<td>Create custom applications</td>
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<td>Agent applications:</td>
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<td>Agent API</td>
<td>C, Java</td>
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### Architectural Overview

The following figure illustrates the location of the APIs in relation to the SiteMinder Policy Server:

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<th>Purpose and Associated API</th>
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<tr>
<td>Event handling: Event API</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>Developer’s Guide for C</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tunnel service: Tunnel API</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>Developer’s Guide for C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Access to non-supported directory types: Directory API</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>Developer’s Guide for C</td>
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Policy Server Access

You must have the SiteMinder Policy Server to run the applications and Policy Server plug-ins that you develop with the SiteMinder SDK.

However, in most cases, you do not use the Policy Server to build those applications and plug-ins. The one exception is that when building Policy Management applications for Solaris using the C Policy Management API, you must do so on the machine where the Policy Server is installed.

At runtime:

- All plug-ins developed with the SDK must be installed on the same machine as the Policy Server.
- Some applications developed with the SDK must be installed on the same machine as the Policy Server; others can be executed remotely.

The following table specifies the type of access to the Policy Server required by your applications and plug-ins:

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<th>Applications or Plug-Ins Developed with This API...</th>
<th>Require This Type of Access to the Policy Server...</th>
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<td>Authentication API</td>
<td>Local</td>
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<td>Authorization API</td>
<td>Local</td>
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<td>Directory API</td>
<td>Local</td>
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<td>Tunnel Services API</td>
<td>Local</td>
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<td>Event API</td>
<td>Local</td>
</tr>
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<td>C Policy Management API</td>
<td>Local</td>
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<tr>
<td>C Agent API</td>
<td>Local or Remote</td>
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<td>Java Agent API</td>
<td>Local or Remote</td>
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<td>Java Policy Management API</td>
<td>Local or Remote</td>
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**Note:** When you build Policy Management applications for Solaris environments using the C Policy Management API, use the libraries libsmpolicyapi45.so and libsmutilities.so, which are part of the Policy Server.
Installed Directory Structure

The SDK installation includes header files, binary files, and sample code. The top-level installed directory structure is shown below in the sdk directory:

```
sdk
  bin
  include
  install_config_info
  install_config_ire
  java
  lib
  properties
  samples
```

SDK Samples

The SiteMinder SDK contains a number of sample applications and plug-ins that can help you use the APIs.

The samples are installed in subdirectories of the following directory:

```
install_path/sdk/samples
```

For example:

```
C:/Program Files/CA/sdk/samples
```

**Note:** The Java samples use properties defined in the file smjsdksample.properties, located in /sdk/properties. Before you run the Java sample applications, modify this file with settings for your environment.
Sample Subdirectories

The sample subdirectories contain source files, project files, makefiles, and other related files for building the sample applications and plug-ins.

The following table lists the subdirectories where the sample files are installed:

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<th>Sample Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>assertiongenerator plugin</td>
<td>Java sample of SAML assertion customization.</td>
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<tr>
<td>dmsworkflow</td>
<td>C-language Delegated Management Services workflow sample.</td>
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<td>javaauthapi</td>
<td>Java custom authentication sample.</td>
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<td>Java Delegated Management Services sample.</td>
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<td>Java policy management sample.</td>
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<td>smagentapi</td>
<td>C-language custom agent sample.</td>
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<td>smauthapi</td>
<td>C-language custom authentication sample.</td>
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<tr>
<td>smazapi</td>
<td>C-language custom authorization sample.</td>
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<tr>
<td>smdirapi</td>
<td>C-language sample for accessing unsupported directories.</td>
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<tr>
<td>smeventproviderapi</td>
<td>C-language sample for creating custom event handlers. This sample references the header file smeventproviderapi.h. This is a custom header file used exclusively with this sample. The header file required for the Event API (and referenced within smeventproviderapi.h) is SmEventApi.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>smjavaagentapi</td>
<td>Java custom agent sample. The directory includes examples of build and run scripts. You can use the examples as models for your own scripts. This sample uses the policy store created by the javapolicyapi sample.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>smpolicyapi</td>
<td>C-language policy management sample. The sample shows how to protect a Web resource by creating a variety of SiteMinder Policy objects. The example includes:  ■ Calls to initialize and uninitialized the API.  ■ The calls that are required to create agents, domains (policy domains), user directories, realms, rules, responses, and policies.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>smtunnelagent</td>
<td>C-language tunnel agent sample. This sample is provided to communicate with the smtunnelservice sample shared library. The smtunnelagent sample uses the Agent API’s Sm_AgentApi_Tunnel() function.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>smtunnelservice</td>
<td>C-language tunnel services sample.</td>
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SiteMinder Test Tool

The SiteMinder Test Tool is a Windows-based utility that you can use to verify your policy configurations. The Test Tool simulates the interaction between Agents and Policy Servers, allowing you to test the functionality of the Policy Server without having a Web Agent or Web server installed.

The Test Tool acts as an agent sending requests to the Policy Server. These requests enable you to perform functional tests, such as verifying whether a resource is protected. You can also use the Test Tool to perform regression tests, which helps determine how well the Policy Server handles simultaneous requests.

To run the SiteMinder Test Tool, run SmTest.exe in the following location:

`install_path\sdk\bin\`

Note: The Test Tool does not support multibyte characters.

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SDK Documentation

The SDK documentation is installed with the SiteMinder bookshelf and includes these guides:

- **SDK Overview** (this guide)
- **Developer's Guide for C**
- **Developer's Guide for Java**
The Developer’s Reference for Java is accessible through the SiteMinder bookshelf and includes two parts:

- Javadoc Reference -- Accessible through the Javadoc link in the bookshelf.
- Guidance information -- Accessible through the developer’s programming guide link in the bookshelf.

**Other SiteMinder Documentation**

Online guides you might find useful when using the SiteMinder SDK include:

- Policy Design Guide
- Policy Server Management Guide
- Web Agent Guide
- Federation Security Services Guide

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