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# Introduction

This document describes the minimum synchronous query interface that MUST be provided by a Data Engine. Individual implementations of a Data Engine can provide further capabilities.

## Terminology

The key words “MUST”, “MUST NOT”, “REQUIRED”, “SHALL”, “SHALL NOT”, “SHOULD”, “SHOULD NOT”, “RECOMMENDED”, “MAY”, and “OPTIONAL” in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

## Normative References

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# Interface Specification

The query interface SHALL have one method POST. The body of the request SHALL contain the query. The response to a successful query SHALL be a list of JSON Atoms that are the results of the query OR the result of an aggregation.

## Authentication and Authorisation

To access the Query API, callers need API Credentials with two components:

* A userid to identify the caller.
* A password to authenticate the caller.

HTTP basic authentication SHALL be used to authenticate calls to the API. Passwords SHOULD be 64 bytes in length and MUST be supplied as an ASCII string. This MUST be prefixed with the userid followed by a colon to form the token passed in the HTTP Authorisation Header.

Example:

"9abf5386-2ac6-4e61-abc4-6b809a85d6cb:J1dOeWJJOkd3akhnSn4ma007M  
DtUMVAxISgyOn9jI2U9NHNdRi4hfiw9c2I8PURcVltNMWQkamsrfGR4T24vKA=="

If the userid is unrecognized, or the wrong password is supplied a HTTP status code *401 Invalid username or password* SHALL be returned.

## Query Operation

Initiate the query contained in the body of the request and return the result of the query.

| **API** | **Description** |
| --- | --- |
| POST query | Send a query to the Data Engine and wait for the response containing the result. |

### Request

| **Parameter Name** | **Description** | **Type** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **ConsumerID** | Pseudonymous Key representing the requesting Consumer who is the subject of the query (REQUIRED). | **String**: Format defined in [COEL\_IDA-1.0]. |
| **OperatorID** | Pseudonymous Key representing the consumer’s Operator (OPTIONAL). | **String**: Format defined in [COEL\_IDA-1.0]. |
| **TimeWindow** | Represents the time window(s) for the query (OPTIONAL). | **Object:** Composed of StartTime, EndTime, and BlockBy. |
| **StartTime** | Start of time interval to be included in the query. Time in seconds since 1/1/1970 UTC (OPTIONAL). If absent, 1/1/1970 is assumed. Atoms will be included if their start time comes after this time. | **Integer:** Seconds since 1/1/1970 UTC. |
| **EndTime** | End of time interval to be included in the query. Time in seconds since 1/1/1970 UTC (OPTIONAL). If absent, infinity is assumed. Atom will be excluded if their start time comes after this time. | **Integer:** Seconds since 1/1/1970 UTC. |
| **BlockBy** | If present the number of seconds in each block returned (OPTIONAL). If absent all Atoms in the time window are returned as a single block or used in the aggregation computation. | **Integer:** Block length in seconds. |
| **Query** | The query for this request. (OPTIONAL) | **JSON Object:** Format defined in Section 2.2.1.1 |

**Media type:**

application/json, text/json

#### Query Object

The query object has the following JSON structure.

* Query: (OPTIONAL)
  + Filter:
    - ColName: column name
    - Comparator: one of "=", ">", ">=", "<", "<=", "!="
    - Value: comparison value
  + AND (list of length > 0) (OPTIONAL)
    - Filter, AND, OR
  + OR (list of length > 0) (OPTIONAL)
    - Filter, AND, OR
  + NOT (OPTIONAL)
    - Filter, AND, OR
  + Aggregate (OPTIONAL)
    - Columns (list)
      * ColName: column name, see below
      * Aggregator: aggregator function, one of AVG, SUM, COUNT, MIN, MAX, STDDEV
    - GroupBy (list) (OPTIONAL)
      * ColName: column name
  + Project (OPTIONAL)
    - Include (list)
      * ColName: column name
    - Exclude (list)
      * ColName: column name

#### Column Names

The following table contains the column names that MUST be used in in queries and that the Data Engine has used to map the corresponding tag values from the Atoms posted.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Name** | **Data type** |
| HEADER\_VERSION | short |
| WHEN\_TIMEZONE | int |
| WHEN\_ACCURACY | int |
| WHEN\_DURATION | int |
| WHAT\_CLUSTER | short |
| WHAT\_CLASS | short |
| WHAT\_SUBCLASS | short |
| WHAT\_ELEMENT | short |
| HOW\_HOW | int |
| HOW\_CERTAINTY | int |
| HOW\_RELIABILITY | int |
| CONTEXT\_SOCIAL | int |
| CONTEXT\_WEATHER | int |
| CONTEXT\_CONTEXTTAG | int |
| CONTEXT\_CONTEXTVALUE | int |
| WHERE\_EXACTNESS | int |
| WHERE\_LATITUDE | double |
| WHERE\_LONGITUDE | double |
| WHERE\_MCC | int |
| WHERE\_MNC | int |
| WHERE\_LCA | int |
| WHERE\_CID | int |
| WHERE\_PLACE | int |
| WHERE\_POSTCODE | String |
| EXTENSION\_INTTAG | int |
| EXTENSION\_INTVALUE | int |
| EXTENSION\_FLTTAG | int |
| EXTENSION\_FLTVALUE | double |
| EXTENSION\_STRTAG | int |
| EXTENSION\_STRVALUE | string |

### Response

Returns the result of the query.

| **Parameter Name** | **Description** | **Type** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **QueryResult** | The query result is a list of JSON objects that match the query. | **JSON Object:** Format defined in Section 2.2.2.1 |

**Media type:**

application/json, text/json

#### QueryResult Object

For a simple filter the result is a JSON list of Atoms, see [COEL\_BAP-1.0]. If a projection is specified only requested fields of the matching Atoms are included.

For aggregates, the result objects contain a list of aggregated columns, described by column name and aggregator (as specified in the query), with the result of the aggregate function. If a grouping is specified the object contains a list of column names and their groups for each aggregation.

When BlockBy is absent, all results are returned as the only element in the Blocks list.

Blocks: (list)

Aggregate: (list)

ColName: column name

Aggregator: aggregate function

Value: aggregate function value

Group: (list)

ColName: grouping column

Value: group

## Segment Data

Request segment data for a Consumer.

| **API** | **Description** |
| --- | --- |
| POST segment | Send a copy of all available segment data for the given consumer. |

### Request

| **Parameter Name** | **Description** | **Type** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **ConsumerID** | Pseudonymous Key representing the requesting Consumer who is the subject of the query (REQUIRED). | **String**: Format defined in [COEL\_IDA-1.0]. |

**Media type:**

application/json, text/json

### Response

Returns the segment data for the Consumer.

| **Parameter Name** | **Description** | **Type** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **SegmentData** | An OPTIONAL object containing (OPTIONALLY) residential time zone and latitude, gender, and year of birth. | **Object:** Composed of ResidentTimeZone, ResidentLatitude, Gender, and YearOfBirth. |
| **ResidentTimeZone** | The time zone in which the Consumer generally resides. | **TimeZoneString:** As +/- hh:mm from UTC. |
| **ResidentLatitude** | The latitude (rounded to an integer) at which the Consumer generally resides. | **Integer:** Representing latitude rounded to an integer. |
| **Gender** | The gender of the Consumer. | **String:** One of “Male” or “Female” |
| **YearOfBirth** | Year in which the Consumer was born. | **Integer:** Representing year of birth. |

**Media type:**

application/json, text/json

**Sample:**

{"SegmentData":

{"ResidentTimeZone": "+03:00",

"ResidentLatitude": 51,

"Gender": "Female",

"YearOfBirth": 1993

}

}

# Conformance

Any implementation MUST accept queries in the form described in section 2 of this document AND the conformance criteria in [COEL\_RPE-1.0], however only a minimum functionality MUST be supported.

* A Data Engine MUST return raw atoms within a time window for a given ConsumerID.
* A Data Engine MUST return the number of atoms held in a time window for a given ConsumerID.

The following is the first of the two minimum queries that a Data Engine implementation MUST support. The result of this query is a list of all Atoms with a start time within the time window.

**Sample:**

{"ConsumerID" : "ed58fc40-a866-11e4-bcd8-0800200c9a66",

"Timewindow" : {

"StartTime" : 1415145600,

"EndTime" : 1415232000

}

}

The following is the second of the two minimum queries that a Data Engine implementation MUST support. The result of this query is the number of Atoms with a start time within the time window.

**Sample:**

{"ConsumerID" : "ed58fc40-a866-11e4-bcd8-0800200c9a66",

"Timewindow" : {

"StartTime" : 1415145600,

"EndTime" : 1415232000},

"Query" : {

"Aggregate" : {

"Columns" : {

"ColName" : "WHAT\_CLUSTER",

"Aggregator" : "COUNT"}}}

}

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