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Command Line Interface Guide



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About this Guide

This document provides information about using the Altair Access™ Command Line Interface (CLI) for job submission and monitoring, file operations, and managing servers.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [Audience](#)
- [Related Documentation](#)
- [Document Conventions](#)
- [Acronyms](#)

Audience

This document is intended for users who need to:

- Submit a job to a PBS Professional complex
- Monitor their jobs
- Upload and download job files

Related Documentation

The other Altair Access related documents are as follows:

- [Altair Access Web Administrator's Guide](#)
- [Altair Access Desktop Administrator's Guide](#)
- [Altair Access Web Release Notes](#)
- [Altair Access Desktop Release Notes](#)
- [Diving Into Application Definitions](#)

Documentation can be found at the following URL:

<http://www.pbsworks.com/SupportGT.aspx?d=PBS-Professional,-Documentation>

Document Conventions

The following typographical conventions are used in this document:

PAD_HOME

The Altair Access Desktop home directory which contains configuration and logging files. Default location for Access Desktop is `C:\Users\\Altair_access\home`. This location can be overridden during the installation.



The home directory folder will be available only if the Access Desktop is started after installation.

PAD_EXEC

The Altair Access Desktop execution directory which contains binaries and scripts. Default location for Access Desktop is `C:\Program Files\altair\Altair Access\2018.4\exec`. This location can be overridden during the installation.

PAW_HOME

The Altair Access Web home directory which contains configuration and logging files. Default location for Access Web is `/var/spool/pbsworks/2018.4/access/home`. This location can be overridden during the installation.

PAW_EXEC

The Altair Access Web execution directory which contains binaries and scripts. Default location for Access Web is `/opt/altair/pbsworks/2018.4/access/exec`. This location can be overridden during the installation.

File Pathname

Names of a file or a directory are displayed as follows:

```
/home/user1/submission_dir/ShellScript/174.hwesuse113.oe
```

Keyboard Inputs

Keyboard inputs, for example commands that are entered are displayed as follows:

```
service pbsworks-pa start
```

Code Example and File Contents

Examples of programming code or the contents of a file are displayed as follows:

```
if userInputs['ACCOUNT']:  
    job.attr_accounting_label =userInputs['ACCOUNT']
```

Parameters, Environment Variables, XML tags

Environment variables, XML tags, parameters, and references to a snippet of a file are displayed as follows:

Set the value of the `MaxBackupIndex` parameter to the maximum number of log files to keep.

UI Controls

User Interface controls such as command buttons, tab names, menu options, application fields, or items in a list are displayed as follows:

Click the **Settings** button.

Document References

References to an external document are displayed as follows:

For more information see the *Altair Access Web 2018.4 Administrator's Guide*.

Messages

Log file messages or messages returned from a command are displayed as follows:

Please make sure PBSA engine and Monetdb Server are not running.

Notes

Information or notes that supplement or emphasize important points are displayed as follows:



The default TOC type for a result file is set in the `plugin_def.xml` file

Tips

Tips that makes your work easier are displayed as follows:



If you get an error during registration of the HyperView Player, right click on the shortcut and choose the **Run as Administrator** option from the context menu.

Cautions

Cautions draw special attention to any action that could cause damage to the product or cause the loss of data. For example:



Do not turn the monitor off by unplugging it from the computer or wall socket. Severe damage to the monitor may result. Turn the monitor off before unplugging it.

Acronyms

The following acronyms are used in this guide.

Table 1. Acronyms

Acronym	Description
API	Application Programming Interface
HPC	High Performance Computing
PBS	Portable Batch System

1. Introduction

The Access Command Line Interface (CLI) allows users to access the power of PBS Professional from the command-line without using a graphical user interface, while leveraging the capabilities of Altair Access and application definitions.

The CLI is available with Altair Access 2018.4 and later releases.

A variety of commands are available to assist user's with job submission and monitoring activities, as well as file operations. Additionally, server and administrative commands are available. Please see the following chapters for a description of each command, usage information, and examples.

- [Administering Altair Access on page 3](#)
- [Submitting and Monitoring Jobs on page 19](#)
- [Maintaining Files and Directories on page 39](#)

What's New

The Altair Access 2018.4 release supports Command Line Interface and it is automatically installed with Access Web and Access Desktop.

Altair Access Command Line Interface Path

The default installation location of the CLI scripts is:

Altair Access Desktop:

```
C:\Program Files\altair\Altair Access\2018.4\exec\bin\commandline\
```

Altair Access Web:

```
/opt/altair/pbsworks/2018.4/access/exec/bin/commandline/
```

Prerequisites

Following are the prerequisites to run the CLI in:

Access Desktop

- Access Desktop must be installed and running.
- Establish a connection to the HPC cluster by registering it using Access Desktop UI or using the `pas-server-add` command, so that you may begin using the CLI commands.
- The first time a CLI command is issued after installation, you will be asked for your credentials. You can use the `pas-passwd` command to set the password credentials.
- Users of the CLI will need to add the path to the CLI to their search path.

Access Web

- Access Web must be installed and running.
- Establish a connection to the HPC cluster by adding a service cluster using Access Web UI, so that you may begin using the CLI commands.
- The first time a CLI command is issued after installation, you will be asked for your credentials. You can use the `pas-passwd` command to set the password credentials.
- Users of the CLI will need to add the path to the CLI to their search path.

2. Administering Altair Access

The following administrator's commands are available to help with the following administrative tasks. All commands will connect to the first server (cluster) registered after installation (this server is considered the default server). Most commands provide an option to specify a non-default PAS server.

- [Determining if Server is Up and Running](#)
- [Getting Server Information](#)
- [Displaying Server Version & Build Information](#)
- [Adding a Server](#)
- [Listing Servers](#)
- [Deleting a Server](#)
- [Determining if the User is an Administrator](#)
- [Getting the Staging Area Root Directory](#)
- [Setting the User's Password](#)

Determining if Server is Up and Running

Use the `pas-ping` command to check if the PAS server (cluster) registered in the application is up or down. This command will return a message indicating the status of the server:

```
PAS server at <machine name> is up/down.
```

Usage

```
pas-ping [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Ping the PAS server specified by `SERVERNAME`. `SERVERNAME` is the name of server (cluster) provided while adding the server (cluster) using Altair Access. If this option is not specified, then the default PAS server will be pinged.



The `-s SERVERNAME` option is not supported for Access Desktop.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Ping the default PAS server:

```
pas-ping
```

Ping a non-default PAS server:

```
pas-ping -s 192.168.4.123
```

Ping a PAS server and get the output in JSON format:

```
pas-ping -s 192.168.4.123 -F JSON
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-ping
```

```
PAS server at <localhost> is up
```

```
pas-ping -s 192.168.4.123 -F JSON
```

```
{u'data': {u'host': u'localhost', u'id': u'localhost', u'isDefault': False}, u'success': True, u'exitCode': u'0'}
```

Getting Server Information

Use the `pas-getsrv` command to display the hostname and port number of the default server.

Usage

```
pas-getsrv [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Returns the hostname and port number of the PAS server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server and its port information is displayed.



The `-s SERVERNAME` option is not supported for Access Desktop.

Command Examples

Get information about the default server:

```
pas-getsrv
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-getsrv
Server=localhost
Port=17084
```

Displaying Server Version & Build Information

Use the `pas-ver` command to display server version and build information.

Usage

```
pas-ver [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Display version and build information for the PAS server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.



The `-s SERVERNAME` option is not supported for Access Desktop.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Display the server version and build information for the default server:

```
pas-ver
```

Display the server version and build information for a non-default server:

```
pas-ver -s 192.168.4.123
```

Display the server version in the JSON format:

```
pas-ver -s 192.168.4.123 -F JSON
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-ver
majorVersionNumber :: 2018
minorVersionNumber :: 2
patchNumber :: 0
buildId :: 20180624
platform :: Linux-x86_64
arch :: amd64
```

```
pas-ver -s 192.168.4.123 -F JSON
{"majorVersionNumber": 2018, "patchNumber": 0, "buildId": "20180624", "arch":
"amd64", "platform": "Linux-x86_64", "minorVersionNumber": 2}
```

Adding a Server

Use the `pas-server-add` command to add a server (cluster) by providing a `SERVERNAME`, machine details in the form of a `HOSTNAME` or `IPADDRESS`, and credentials of a user. Credentials are provided by a `USERNAME` and either a `PASSWORD` or an `SSHKEYPATH`.

`SERVERNAME` is the name of the cluster as it will be known within Altair Access. The special characters allowed while providing the `SERVERNAME` are dot, underscore, hyphen, and space. The `SERVERNAME` should not end with white space.



This command is valid for Access Desktop only.

By default, the user who issues this command is logged into the `SERVER`.

Usage

```
pas-server-add -s SERVERNAME -n HOSTNAME|IPADDRESS -u USERNAME -p PASSWORD | -l  
SSHKEY [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-L`

Skip logging in while adding a server.

`-r`

Set the stage root directory. By default, the stage root directory is set to `/stage/$USER/AltairAccess`

-c URL

Set the central repository URL using this parameter.

If your site has chosen to store application definitions in a central repository rather than on the local workstation, enter the URL for accessing the central repository in the format `https://<HOSTNAME>:4443` where `<HOSTNAME>` is the hostname of the machine where Access Web is installed.

-a

The Adaptor type option is used in Desktop Embedded mode (Inspire Integration). The information provided is updated in the `serverData.xml` file. The default value is `PBS_SSH_ADAPTOR`.

-P

Provide the server properties. This option is used in Desktop Embedded mode (Inspire Integration). The information provided is updated in the `serverData.xml` file. You can provide the server properties like Copy Backup, Scheduler Cycle Time, and others. The valid input format is `<key>=<value>[,<key>=<value>...]`.

Command Examples

Adding a server with username and password:

```
pas-server-add -s cluster -n 192.168.4.123 -u dave -p evad&234
```

Adding a server using SSH key:

```
pas-server-add -s cluster -n 192.168.4.123 -u dave -l "C:\Users\Privatekey"
```

Adding a server with the properties:

```
pas-server-add -s cluster -n 192.168.4.123 -u dave -p evad&234 -P  
COPY_BACK_SCHEDULER_CYCLE_TIME=300,COPY_BACK_THREAD_POOL_SIZE=5,JOB_S_FILE_OVERRIDE  
=true
```

Adding a server with Central Repository:

```
pas-server-add -s cluster -n 192.168.4.123 -u dave -p evad&234 -c https://  
192.168.4.124:17084
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-server-add -s cluster -n 192.168.4.123 -u dave -p evad&234  
Server: cluster added and User logged in successfully
```


Listing Servers

Use the `pas-server-list` command to fetch the list of servers (clusters) that have either been added via the Access UI or the `pas-server-add` command.



This command is valid for Access Desktop only.

Usage

```
pas-server-list [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-d`

Return the details for the default server (cluster).

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

List the available servers:

```
pas-server-list
```

To get the default server details:

```
pas-server-list -d
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-server-list
```

```
ServerId : cluster Host : altvm10vm1
```

```
ServerId : cluster_qa Host : altvm10vm14
```

```
ServerId : cluster_rm Host : altvm10vm3
```

```
pas-server-list -d
```

```
ServerId : cluster Host : altvm10vm1
```

Deleting a Server

Use the `pas-server-delete` command to delete a specified server (cluster) by specifying its `SERVERNAME`. `SERVERNAME` is the name of the cluster as it is known within Altair Access.



This command is valid for Access Desktop only.

Usage

```
pas-server-delete -s SERVERNAME
```

Options

-h

Get help information for the command.

Command Examples

Delete a specified server (cluster):

```
pas-server-delete -s cluster
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-server-delete -s cluster
Server: cluster deleted Successfully
```

Determining if the User is an Administrator

Use the `pas-admin` command to determine if the effective user has administrative privileges for a server. The command will return true when the user is an administrator and false when the user is not a server administrator.

Usage

```
pas-admin [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Determine if the effective user has administrative privileges for PAS server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.



The `-s SERVERNAME` option is not supported for Access Desktop.

Command Examples

Determine if the effective user has administrative privileges for the default server:

```
pas-admin
```

Determine if the effective user has administrative privileges for a non-default server:

```
pas-admin -s 192.168.4.123
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-admin  
true
```

Getting the Staging Area Root Directory

Use the `pas-getsroot` command to return the root directory of the staging area set during the installation of PAS.

Usage

```
pas-getsroot [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Returns the staging area root directory of the PAS server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

Command Examples

Get the staging area root directory of the default server:

```
pas-getsroot
```

Get the staging area root directory of a non-default server:

```
pas-getsroot -s 192.168.4.123
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-getsroot  
/stage
```

Setting the User's Password

Use the `pas-passwd` command to set your CLI password. Once this command is issued, you will be asked to enter a password, and then re-enter it for verification. Once the password is set, it will be used for all subsequent CLI requests.

Usage in Access Web

```
pas-passwd [options]
```

Usage in Access Desktop

```
pas-passwd -s SERVER -u USERNAME [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Set the CLI password for the PAS server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

`-u USERNAME`

Set the password for the specified `USERNAME`. By default, it is the current logged in user.

`-p PASSWORD`

Specify the user's current password.

`-l PATHNAME`

Location of the SSH public key file for the user. This can be used if you do not want to specify the password. The SSH key file path should be provided in quotes.



The `-l PATHNAME` option is not supported for Access Web.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Set the user's password:

```
pas-passwd
```

Set the user's password by providing the username and password:

```
pas-passwd -s 192.168.4.123 -u dave -p evad&123
```

Set the user's password by providing the SSH key location:

```
pas-passwd -s 192.168.4.123 -u dave -l "C:\Users\Privatekey"
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-passwd
Enter user's password:xxxxxxx
Retype password:xxxxxxx
Changed user root's password on server <localhost>
```


3. Submitting and Monitoring Jobs

Seven commands are available for job submission, job monitoring, and obtaining job results. All commands will connect to the first server (cluster) registered after installation (this server is considered the default server). Most commands provide an option to specify a non-default PAS server.

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- [Executing a Custom Action for a Job](#)

A simple workflow for submitting a job is:

1. Get a list of the available applications on the server using the `pas-getapps` command.
2. Once you have determined which application to run, get a list of application parameters using the `pas-getapp` command.
3. Upload the job input files to the server using the `pas-fup` command.
4. Submit a job to the server using the `pas-submit` command.
5. Check the status of your job using the `pas-stat` command.
6. Download the job result files using the `pas-getres` command.

Getting a List of all Applications

Use the `pas-getapps` command to return a list of all applications known to the PAS server.

Usage

```
pas-getapps [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Retrieve a list of all applications known to the PAS server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Get a list of all application known to the default server:

```
pas-getapps
```

Get a list of all applications known to a non-default server:

```
pas-getapps -s 192.168.4.123
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-getapps  
ShellScript2  
RADIOSS  
Sleeper  
JobArray  
ShellScript  
OptiStruct  
Signal Trap  
ShellScript
```

```
pas-getapps -s 192.168.4.123  
RADIOSS  
ShellScript  
OptiStruct
```

Getting a List of Application Parameters

Use the `pas-getapp` command to return a list of all parameters available for the specified `APPNAME`. This command will also provide information on whether the application parameter is mandatory or optional. The output of this command can be redirected to a file.

Usage

```
pas-getapp -a APPNAME [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Retrieve application parameters for `APPNAME` for the server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If the option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Get the parameters available for the application "optistruct" on the default server:

```
pas-getapp -a optistruct
```

Get the parameters available for the application "optistruct" on a non-default server:

```
pas-getapp -a optistruct -s 192.168.4.123
```

Get the parameters available for the application "optistruct" and redirect the output to a file called `/tmp/optistruct_params`:

```
pas-getapp -a optistruct > /tmp/optistruct_params
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-getapp -a ShellScript
ApplicationId=ShellScript
ApplicationName=ShellScript
FILES(false)(FileNameMulti)
MEMORY_PLACEMENT(false)(StringEnumerated)(Value=true)[Options:true,false]
NCPUS(true)(Int)(Min:1)(Value=1)
JOB_ARGS(false)(String)
QUEUE(false)(String)
SUBMISSION_DIRECTORY(false)(DirectoryName)
PRIMARY_FILE(true)(File)
CHUNK_PLACEMENT(false)(StringEnumerated)(Value=free)[Options:pack,free,scatter]
MEMORY(true)(Int)(Min:10)(Value=10)
CHUNKS(false)(Int)(Min:1)(Value=1)
JOB_NAME(false)(String)
```

Submitting a Job

Use the `pas-submit` command to submit a job. Upon successful submission of the job, this command will return the PBS Professional job identifier.

The `pas-submit` command accepts input file paths relative to the PAS server location, therefore you must upload job input files to the server before submitting a job. Use the `pas-fup` command to upload any job input files to the server in Access Web. For more information about uploading job files see [Uploading a File on page 41](#).

There are two ways to submit a job using this command:

1. The application parameters can be entered manually on the command line.
2. The application parameters can be stored in a file. Use the `pas-getapp` command to generate a list of the application parameters, and then edit this list to fill in the appropriate parameter values.

Usage

```
pas-submit [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-f FILEPATH`

Specify the path of the file that contains the application parameters. Use the `pas-getapp` command to generate this file.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Submit a job to the server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If the server is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

`-w`

Use this option to wait until the job is completed and result files are downloaded.



The `-w` option is valid for Access Desktop only.

-F JSON

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

These examples assume that the job input files have already been uploaded to the server.

Submit a job to the server blrec166 by entering all application parameters at the command line:

```
pas-submit ApplicationId=ShellScript ApplicationName=ShellScript
JOB_NAME=hello_world PRIMARY_FILE=/home/tsmith/hello_world.sh MEMORY=100 NCPUS=1
```

Submit a job by specifying the path to the file containing the application parameters:

```
pas-submit -f /tmp/parm_file
```

Submit a job to a non-default server:

```
pas-submit -f /tmp/parm_file -s 192.168.4.123
```

Submit a job to the server hwesuse113-01 passing an application argument of datetime:

```
pas-submit ApplicationId=MyApp ApplicationName=MyApp JOB_NAME=MyApp_test
EXECUTION_TIME='2014-07-30;13:40:00' SHELL_SCRIPT=/home/user1/hello_world.sh
SUBMISSION_DIRECTORY=/home/user1
```

Submit a job to the Server hwesuse113-01 passing an application argument of boolean:

```
pas-submit ApplicationId=MyApp ApplicationName=MyApp JOB_NAME=MyApp_test
LOGGING=true SHELL_SCRIPT=/home/user1/hello_world.sh
SUBMISSION_DIRECTORY=/home/user1
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-submit ApplicationId=ShellScript ApplicationName=ShellScript
JOB_NAME=ShellScript_test MEMORY=10 NCPUS=1 JOB_SCRIPT=/tmp/hello_world.sh
SUBMISSION_DIRECTORY=/tmp/PAS_output
Response from server
149.hwesuse113-01
```

Checking the Status of Jobs

Use the `pas-stat` command to display the status of a job (similar to the PBS Professional command `qstat -f`). You can display the status of a particular job or the status of all jobs.

Usage

```
pas-stat [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-j JOBID`

Get the status of `JOBID`. If this option is not specified, then the status of all jobs will be returned.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Get the status of a job on the server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Check the status of a specific job on the default server:

```
pas-stat -j 248.blrec166
```

Check the status of all jobs on the default server:

```
pas-stat
```

Check the status of all jobs on a non-default server:

```
pas-stat -s 192.168.4.90
```

Check the status of a specific job on a non-default server:

```
pas-stat -j 248.blrec166 -s 192.168.4.90
```


Command Output Example

```
pas-stat -j 129.hwesuse113-01
Job Id: 129.hwesuse113-01
pbs_job_state : Q
pbs_server : hwesuse113-01
pbs_Account_Name : n/a
pbs_Job_Name : test1
pbs_Job_Owner : ebleicher@hwesuse113-01.prog.altair.com
pbs_Checkpoint : u
pbs_ctime : Wed Mar 12 13:51:37 2014
pbs_Error_Path : hwesuse113-01.prog.altair.com:/var/spool/pas/temp/test1.er
pbs_exec_host : n/a
pbs_exec_vnode : n/a
pbs_Hold_Types : n
pbs_Join_Path : n
pbs_Keep_Files : oe
pbs-Mail_Points : a
pbs_mtime : Wed Mar 12 13:51:38 2014
pbs_Output_Path : hwesuse113-01.prog.altair.com:/var/spool/pas/temp/test1.ou
pbs_Priority : 0
pbs_qtime : Wed Mar 12 13:51:38 2014
pbs_Rerunable : True
pbs_stime : n/a
pbs_session_id : 0
pbs_sandbox : private
pbs_jobdir : n/a
pbs_stagein : runtime@hwesuse113-01:/var/spool/pas/repository/applications/
ShellScript/runtime,pbs_spawn@hwesuse113-01:/opt/altair/pas/2018.4/pas/
pbs_spawn,hello_world.sh@hwesuse113-01:/users/ebleicher/hello_world.sh
pbs_stageout : *@hwesuse113-01:/stage/ebleicher/test1
pbs_Variable_List :
PAS_APPLICATION=ShellScript,PAS_CHUNKS=1,PAS_CLIENT_HOST=127.0.0.2,PYTHONPATH=/opt/
pbs/default/bin/pbs_python,PAS_SUBMISSION_DIRECTORY=pbscp://hwesuse113-01/stage/
ebleicher/test1,JOB_ARGS=,AIF_MODE=enterprise,PAS_JOB_SCRIPT=pbscp://hwesuse113-01/
users/ebleicher/
hello_world.sh,PAS_SERVER_PORT=17084,PAS_MEMORY=1000,PAS_CHUNK_PLACEMENT=free,JOB_SC
RIPT=pbscp://hwesuse113-01/users/ebleicher/
hello_world.sh,PAS_MEMORY_PLACEMENT=true,PBS_HOME=/var/spool/
PBS,PAS_HPCBP_ARGUMENTS=runtime/start.py,PAS_JOB_NAME=test1,PAS_HPCBP_EXECUTABLE=/
opt/pbs/default/bin/pbs_python,PAS_PYTHON_PATH=/opt/pbs/default/bin/
pbs_python,PAS_JOB_NAME=test1,PAS_NCPUS=10,PAS_SERVER_VERSION=2018.4.1,AIF_USER=eble
icher,PBS_0_QUEUE=workq,PBS_0_HOST=hwesuse113-01.prog.altair.com
```

pbs_comment : Can Never Run: Insufficient amount of resource ncpus (R: 10 A: 1 T: 1)
pbs_etime : Wed Mar 12 13:51:38 2014
pbs_SubStatus : 11
pbs_array : n/a
pbs_array_state_count : n/a
pbs_array_indices_submitted : n/a
pbs_array_indices_remaining : n/a

Getting a Summary of Job Information

Use the `pas-sum` command to display a summary of the job information (similar to the PBS Professional command `qstat`). You can display a summary of job information for a specific job, or all jobs on the server.

Usage

```
pas-sum [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-j JOBID`

Display a summary of job information for `JOBID`. If this option is not specified, then a summary for all jobs will be returned.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Display a summary of job information for a job on the server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If the server is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Get a summary of the job information for a given job:

```
pas-sum -j 243.blrec166
```

Get a summary of job information for all jobs on the default server:

```
pas-sum
```

Get a summary of job information for all jobs on a non-default server:

```
pas-sum -s 192.168.4.123
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-sum -j 129.hwesuse113-01
pbs_jobid : 129.hwesuse113-01
pbs_Job_Name : test1
pbs_Job_Owner : ebleicher@hwesuse113-01.prog.altair.com
pbs_job_state : Q
pbs_queue : workq
```

Downloading Job Results

Use the `pas-getres` command to download the files related to the given JOBID to the TARGET_LOCATION. The job must be in a running or finished state to execute this command. If the job was submitted through Altair Access the job submission directory will be zipped and downloaded. Otherwise the standard output file, standard error file, and any other files specified in the stage-out list will be zipped.



TARGET_LOCATION must have an ending slash or backslash:

`c:\temp\
/home/user1/temp/`



This command is valid for Access Web only.

Usage

```
pas-getres -j JOBID -o TARGET_LOCATION [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Download job results for a job on the server specified by SERVERNAME. If the server is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

Command Examples



Executing these commands will download the job results files and create a zip file called `C:\download\results\176-blrec166.zip` on the client host.

Download the job results of a given job to the specified target location:

```
pas-getres -j 176.blrec166 -o C:\download\results\
```

Download the job results of a given job on a non-default server:

```
pas-getres -j 176.blrec166 -o C:\download\results\ -s 192.168.4.123
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-getres -j 176.blrec166 -o C:\download\results\  
Job Id 176.blrec166 downloaded successfully
```

Deleting a Job

Use the `pas-del` command to delete a given JOBID from the Workload Management System. The job can be in any of the following states:

Table 1. Valid job states for deleting a job

Job State	Description
B	Job arrays only: job array has begun.
H	Job is held. A job is put into a held state by the server or by a user or administrator. A job stays in a held state until it is released by a user or administrator.
Q	Job is queued, eligible to run or be routed.
R	Job is running.
W	Job is waiting for its requested execution time to be reached or job specified a staging request which failed for some reason.

Usage

```
pas-del -j JOBID [options]
```

Options

-h

Get help information for the command.

-s SERVERNAME

Delete a job from the server specified by SERVERNAME. If the server is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

Command Examples

Delete a job from the default server:

```
>pas-del -j 243.blrec166
```

Delete a job from a non-default server:

```
>pas-del -j 243.blrec166 -s 192.168.4.123
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-del -j 151.hwesuse113-01
Job(151.hwesuse113-01) deleted successfully
```

Getting a List of Custom Actions Defined for a Job

Use the `pas-custom-action-list` command to get the list of available custom action for the JOBID.



This command is valid for Access Desktop only.

Usage

```
pas-custom-action-list -j JOBID [options]
```

Options

-h

Get help information for the command.

-s SERVERNAME

Get a list of custom actions associated with a job from the PAS server specified by SERVERNAME. If the server is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

-F JSON

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Get a list of custom actions associated with a job from the default server:

```
>pas-custom-action-list -j 243.blrec166
```

Get a list of custom actions associated with a job from a non-default server:

```
>pas-custom-action-list -j 243.blrec166 -s 192.168.4.123
```


Command Output Example

```
pas-custom-action-list -j 151.hwesuse113-01
ApplicationId : CustomActionApp
CustomActions:
  CustomAction:
    Executable :
      Name : SendSignal.py
      Language : PYTHON
      DisplayName : Send Signal
      Name : SEND_SIGNAL
    Arguments :
      SIGNAL :
        DisplayName : SIGNAL
        type : string
        required : [SIGNAL]
    ShowOutput : True
    JobStates : [RUNNING, RUNNING, WAITING, FINISHED, QUEUED, SUCCEEDED]
    Description : Send Signal
```

Executing a Custom Action for a Job

Use the `pas-execute-custom-action` command to execute a `CUSTOMACTION` for a `JOBID`.



This command is valid for Access Desktop only.

Usage

```
pas-execute-custom-action -j JOBID -N CUSTOMACTION [argument_name=value,  
argument_name=value ....] [options]
```



The `argument_name=value` are the arguments that are being passed to the custom action, for example, `SEND_SIGNAL=STOP`. Not every custom action will have arguments, so they are optional.

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Execute the custom action for a job that has been submitted to the server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If the server is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Execute custom action list for a job from the default server:

```
>pas-execute-custom-action -j 243.blrec166 -N SEND_SIGNAL SIGNAL=STOP
```

Execute custom action for a job from a non-default server:

```
>pas-execute-custom-action -j 243.blrec166 -s 192.168.4.123 -N SEND_SIGNAL  
SIGNAL=STOP
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-execute-custom-action -j 4461 -N SEND_SIGNAL SIGNAL=STOP -s 192.168.4.123
  isStdErrTruncated : False
  isStdOutTruncated : False
  stdout:RXh1Y3V0aW5nIHNjcm1wdDogL3Zhci9zcG9vbC9wYnN3b3Jrcy9wYXNjcm1wZGF0
YS9wYXNjcm1wZGF0cy9sb2NhbGhvc3Qvcml2YXR1L2d1bmVjYXR1ZC9qc29uLWFwcGxp
Y2F0aW9ucy9DdXN0b21BY3Rpb25BcHAv3VibW10dG1tZS9TZW5kU21nbmFsLnB5IHdpdGggc21nbmFsIDog
U1RPUAo=
  exitCode : 0
```


4. Maintaining Files and Directories

The following commands are available for Altair Access file operations. All commands will connect to the PAS server that is registered after the installation. Most commands provides an option to specify a non-default PAS server.

- [Creating a Directory](#)
- [Uploading a File](#)
- [Downloading a File](#)
- [Deleting a File](#)
- [Compressing a File](#)
- [Displaying a List of Files](#)

Creating a Directory

Use the `pas-fmkdir` command to create a DIRECTORY on a server.

Usage

```
pas-fmkdir -d DIRECTORY [options]
```

Options

-h

Get help information for the command.

-j JOBID

Make the DIRECTORY in the JOBID's execution directory. The JOBID must be in a running state.

-s SERVERNAME

Create a directory on the server specified by SERVERNAME. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

-F JSON

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

Create a directory on the default server:

```
pas-fmkdir -d /users/tsmith/ShellScript_output
```

Create a directory on a non-default server:

```
pas-fmkdir -d /users/tsmith/ShellScript_output -s 192.168.4.123
```

Create a directory in the running job's execution directory:

```
pas-fmkdir -d ShellScript_output -j 347.hwesuse113-01
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-fmkdir -d C:\testDir  
Directory <C:\testDir> Created successfully
```

Uploading a File

Use the `pas-fup` command to upload a `FILE` to a `DEST` on a server.

Usage

```
pas-fup -f FILE -o DEST [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-j JOBID`

Upload a `FILE` to the `JOBID`'s execution directory.

`-s SERVERNAME`

Upload a `FILE` to the server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

Command Examples

Upload a file to the default server:

```
pas-fup -f C:\foobar.txt -o /users/tsmith/foobar.txt
```

Upload a file to a non-default server:

```
pas-fup -f C:\foobar.txt -o /users/tsmith/foobar.txt -s 192.168.4.123
```

Upload a file to the job's execution directory:

```
pas-fup -j 87.blrec3vm12 -f /stage/vis.zip -o vis.zip
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-fup -f C:\foobar.txt -o /users/tsmith/foobar.txt
Uploaded successfully
```

Downloading a File

Use the `pas-fdown` command to download a FILE from a server.

Usage

```
pas-fdown -f FILE [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-j` JOBID

Download a FILE from the JOBID's execution directory. The job must be in a running state.

`-o` DEST

Download a FILE from the server to the target location DEST. If this option is not specified, the FILE will be downloaded to the current working directory.

`-s` SERVERNAME

Download a FILE from the server specified by SERVERNAME. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

Command Examples

Download a file from the default server:

```
pas-fdown -f /users/tsmith/results.out -o c:\temp\results.out
```

Download a file from a non-default server:

```
pas-fdown -f /users/tsmith/results.out -o c:\temp\results.out -s 192.168.4.123
```

Download a file from a running job's execution directory:

```
pas-fdown -f ShellScript_test.o325 -o c:\temp\ShellScript_test.o325 -j 325.blrec166
```


Command Output Example

```
pas-fdown -f /users/tsmith/results.out -o c:\temp\results.out  
Downloaded successfully
```

Deleting a File

Use the `pas-fdel` command to delete a FILE located on the server.

Usage

```
pas-fdel -f FILE [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-j` JOBID

Delete a FILE located in the JOBID's execution directory. The job must be in a running state.

`-s` SERVERNAME

Delete a FILE located on the server specified by SERVERNAME. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

Command Examples

Delete a file located on the default server:

```
pas-fdel -f /users/tsmith/bartest.fem
```

Delete a file located on the non-default server:

```
pas-fdel -f /users/tsmith/bartest.fem -s 192.168.4.123
```

Delete a file located in a running job's execution directory:

```
pas-fdel -f hello_world.sh -j 329.hwesuse113-01
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-fdel -f /tmp/PAS_output/ShellScript_test/ShellScript_test.e149  
File(/tmp/PAS_output/ShellScript_test/ShellScript_test.e149) deleted successfully
```

Compressing a File

Use the `pas-fcompr` command to compress a `FILE` located on a server to `DEST`.

Usage

```
pas-fcompr -f FILE -o DEST [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-j` JOBID

Compress a `FILE` located in the `JOBID`'s execution directory. The job must be in a running state.

`-s` SERVERNAME

Compress a `FILE` located on the server specified by `SERVERNAME`. If this option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

Command Examples

Compress a file located on the default server and create a zip file on the default server:

```
pas-fcompr -f /users/tsmith/bar.fem -o /users/tsmith/bar.zip
```

Compress a file located on a non-default server and create a zip file on that server:

```
pas-fcompr -f /users/tsmith/bar.fem -o /users/tsmith/bar.zip -s 192.168.4.123
```

Compress a file located in a running job's execution directory and created a zip file on the default server:

```
pas-fcompr -f ShellScriptTest.o332 -o /users/tsmith/ShellScriptTest.zip -j  
332.blrec166
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-fcompr -f /tmp/PAS_output/ShellScript_test/ShellScript_test.o149 -o /tmp/  
j149.zip  
File(/tmp/PAS_output/ShellScript_test/ShellScript_test.o149) compressed  
successfully
```

Displaying a List of Files

Use the `pas-flist` command to display a list of FILES located on the server.

Usage

```
pas-flist -f FILE [options]
```

Options

`-h`

Get help information for the command.

`-j JOBID`

List FILES in the job's execution directory. The job must be in a running state.

`-s SERVERNAME`

List FILES located on the server specified by SERVERNAME. If the option is not specified, then the default server will be assumed.

`-F JSON`

Print the output format in JSON.

Command Examples

List files in a directory located on the default server:

```
pas-flist -f /stage/tsmith/test1
```

List files in a directory located on a non-default server:

```
pas-flist -f /stage/tsmith/test1 -s 192.168.4.123
```

List a specific file located on the default server:

```
pas-flist -f /stage/tsmith/test1/test1.o2
```

List a specific file in the job's execution directory:

```
pas-flist -f dir1ister.e361 -j 248.blrec166
```

List all files in the job's execution directory:

```
pas-flist -f . -j 248.blrec166
```

Command Output Example

```
pas-flist -f . -j 335.hwesuse113-01
hello_world.sh
pbsjob.env
pbs_spawn
ShellScript_test.e335
runtime
ShellScript_test.o335
```


5. Altair Access Commands Quick Reference

The following is a list of all Altair Access Commands and a link to each command's documentation page.

Table 1. Administering Access

Command	Description
pas-ping	Checks if the server is up or down.
pas-getsrv	Displays information about the server.
pas-ver	Displays server version and build information.
pas-server-add	Add a server in the Access Desktop application.
pas-server-list	Deletes a server from the Access Desktop application.
pas-server-delete	Returns a list of all the server added in the Access Desktop application.
pas-admin	Determines if the user has administrative privileges on the server.
pas-getroot	Returns the root directory of the staging area on the server.
pas-passwd	Set the user's password.

Table 2. Submitting and Monitoring Jobs

Command	Description
pas-getapps	Returns a list of all applications known to the server.
pas-getapp	Returns a list of all parameters available for the specified application as defined by the application definition on the server.
pas-submit	Submits a job to the server.
pas-stat	Displays the status of a job. You can display the status of a particular job or the status of all jobs.
pas-sum	Displays a summary of the job information. You can displays a summary of job information for a specific job, or all jobs on the server.
pas-getres	Downloads the files related to the given job identifier.
pas-del	Deletes a job from the Workload Management System.

Table 2. Submitting and Monitoring Jobs

Command	Description
pas-custom-action-list	Get a list of available custom action of a job.
pas-execute-custom-action	Execute a custom action for a job.

Table 3. Maintaining Files and Directories

Command	Description
pas-fmkdir	Creates a directory on the server.
pas-fup	Uploads a file.
pas-fdown	Downloads a file.
pas-fdel	Deletes a file from the server.
pas-fcompr	Compresses a file on the server.
pas-flist	Displays a list of files on the server.

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