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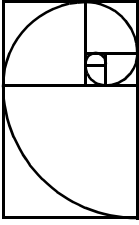
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Introduction

1. Overview

The Tabular Data Stream (TDS) is an application level protocol used to send requests and responses between clients and servers. A client's request may contain multiple commands. The response from the server may return one or many result sets.

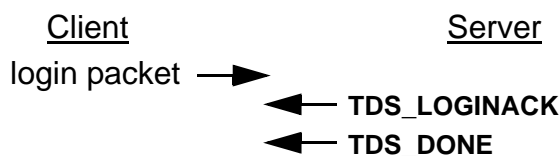
TDS relies on a connection oriented transport service. Session, presentation, and application service elements are provided by TDS. TDS does not require any specific transport provider. It can be implemented over multiple transport protocols if they provide connection oriented service.

TDS provides support for login capability negotiation, authentication services, and support for both database specific and generic client commands. Responses to client commands are returned using a self-describing, table oriented protocol. Column name and data type information is returned to the client before the actual data.

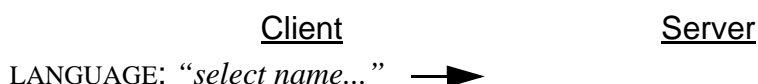
For example, here is a high-level description of the TDS tokens exchanged by a client and a server to establish a dialog and then execute a simple SQL query. The SQL statement is, "select *name* from *sysobjects* where *id* < 3". This query causes two table rows to be returned to the client.

The client first requests a transport connection to the server and then sends a login record to establish a dialog. The login record contains capability and authentication information.

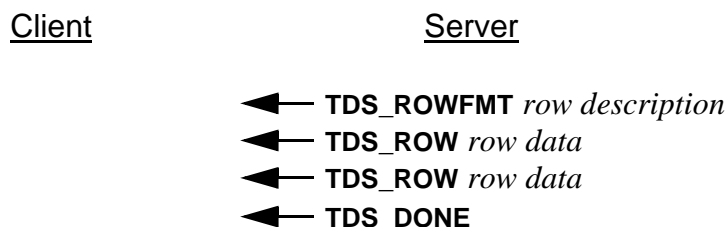
The server responds with a acknowledgment token followed by a completion token indicating that it has accepted the dialog request.



Now that a dialog has been established between the client and the server, the client sends the SQL query to the server and then waits for the server to respond.



The server executes the query and returns the results to the client. First the data columns are described by the server, followed by the actual row data. A completion token follows the row data indicating that all row data associated with the query has been returned to the client.



The TDS PDUs are described in *TDS 5.0 Reference Pages*.

The TDS protocol is mostly a token based protocol where the contents of a Protocol Data Unit (PDU) are tokenized. The token and its data stream describe a particular command or part of a result set returned to a client.

For example, there is a token called **TDS_LANGUAGE** which is used by a client to send language, typically SQL, commands to a server. There is also a token called **TDS_ROWfmt** which describes the column name, status, and data type which is used by a server to return column format information to a client.

2. Protocol Data Units

A TDS request or response may span multiple PDUs. The size of the PDU sent over the transport connection is negotiated at dialog establishment time. Each PDU contains a header, which is usually followed by data.

2.1. Protocol Data Unit Header

A PDU header contains information about the size and contents of the PDU as well as an indication if it is the last PDU in a request or response. The format of a TDS PDU is described in detail in the Protocol Data Unit reference page. The TDS protocol is half-duplex. A client writes a complete request and then reads a complete response from the server. Requests and responses cannot be intermixed and multiple requests cannot be outstanding.

2.2. Protocol Data Unit Data

In addition to a header, PDUs usually include some data. Control PDUs do not contain any other data. They consist of a header only. Requests and response PDUs contain TDS tokens that describe the request or response.

3. Client Protocol Data Units

PDUs sent from a client to a server can contain the following data:

- Dialog establishment information
- Language command
- Cursor command
- Database Remote Procedure Call
- Attentions
- Dynamic SQL command
- Message command

3.1. Dialog Establishment

To establish a dialog with a server a client must:

- Create a transport connection
- Send a login record
- Send a capability data stream
- Perform any required authentication handshaking
- Read the login acknowledgment

A client application may have multiple dialogs established with the same or multiple servers, but this is transparent to the TDS protocol. All of the steps above must be completed for each active dialog supported by a client application.

3.2. Language Commands

The **TDS_LANGUAGE** token is used to send language commands to a server. When a client is communicating with a SQL Server, this language is a SQL command. A language command may span multiple PDUs, but its total length is limited by the length field in the **TDS_LANGUAGE** token. See **TDS_LANGUAGE** on page 169 for details.

The character set that the language command is sent in is negotiated during dialog establishment. The server will perform any required character set translations as required.

3.3. Cursor Commands

There are two ways to send cursor commands to a server:

- Language commands
- Cursor TDS tokens

Cursor commands can be sent to a server using the **TDS_LANGUAGE** token and the SQL dialect as described above. However, this requires the server to parse the language to implement the requested cursor operation.

TDS also provides native token support for all ANSI specified cursor operations. This provides a more efficient mechanism for sending cursor commands to a server since it eliminates the parsing step. It also allows servers built using the Open Server product to implement cursor emulation on top foreign data sources without implementing a parser.

A complete description of the cursor tokens is in **TDS_CUR*** reference pages.

3.4. Database Remote Procedure Calls (RPC)

To execute a remote procedure call on the server, the client sends a **TDS_RPC** data stream to the server. This is a binary stream that contains the RPC name, options, and parameters. Each RPC must be in a separate message and not intermixed with SQL commands or other RPC commands. For a detailed description of the RPC request data stream (page 219).

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3.5. Attentions

The client can cancel the current request by sending an attention to the server. Once the client sends an attention, the client reads until it gets an attention acknowledgment. After sending an at-

tention to a server the client will discard any data received until it receives an attention acknowledgment.

TDS 5.0 attentions are sent using the non-expedited data transfer service provided by the transport provider. Earlier versions of TDS sent attentions using the expedited data transfer service if it was provided by the transport provider.

Expedited attentions will still be supported by clients and servers that implement 5.0 TDS so that they can continue to communicate with earlier versions of TDS.

3.6. Dynamic SQL Commands

3.7. Message Commands

4. Server Protocol Data Units

PDUs sent from a server to a client can contain the following data:

- Dialog establishment acknowledgment
- Row results
- Return status
- Return parameters
- Response completion
- Error information
- Attention acknowledgment
- Cursor status
- Message responses

4.1. Dialog Establishment Acknowledgment

The acknowledgment to a dialog establishment request is a token stream consisting of information about a server's characteristics, informational messages and a completion indication. There are optionally authentication handshake messages.

The **TDS_CAPABILITY**, **TDS_LOGINACK**, and **TDS_DONE** tokens are used to communicate information to the client regarding the dialog establishment request.

If there are any information messages in the dialog response, an **TDS_EED** data stream is returned from the server to the client.

A **TDS_DONE** token is always sent to terminate the dialog establishment response.

4.2. Row Results

If a client request results in data being returned, the data will precede any other data streams returned from the server. Row data is always preceded by a description of the column names and data types. For a detailed description of the data stream see the reference pages for **TDS_ROWFM**T, and **TDS_ROW**.

4.3. Return Status

A return status can be returned in response to a client command. A return status is returned to a client using the **TDS_RETURNSTATUS** token.

4.4. Return Parameters

Return parameters can be sent to a client in response to either a language or RPC command. Return parameters are returned to a client using the **TDS_PARAMFMT** and **TDS_PARAM** tokens.

When a RPC is invoked, some or all of it's parameters may be designated as output parameters. This allows RPC parameters to act like variables that are passed by reference. All output parameters will have values returned by the server.

Return parameters can also be returned to a client in response to a language command. This is the normal case for stored procedures on a SQL Server. If the stored procedure is executed via a language command, any parameters designated as output parameters are returned using the **TDS_PARAMFMT** and **TDS_PARAM** tokens.

4.5. Response Completion

The end of a server response can be determined using the TDS PDU header length field. However, the **DONE** token is used to report command completion.

When executing a language command that contains a batch of SQL commands, there will be a **TDS_DONE** data stream for each set of results. All but the last **TDS_DONE** will have the **TDS_DONE_MORE** bit set in the **Status** field of the **TDS_DONE** data stream. Therefore, the client can always tell after reading a **TDS_DONE** whether or not there are more results associated with the current command.

For stored procedures, completion of statements in the stored procedure is indicated by a **TDS_DONEINPROC** data stream for each statement and a **TDS_DONEPROC** data stream for each completed stored procedure. For example, if a stored procedure executes two other stored procedures, a **TDS_DONEPROC** data stream will signal the completion of each stored procedure.

4.6. Error Information

TDS provides support for returning error numbers, severity, and error message text to a client. This information is returned to clients using the **EED** token. In previous versions of TDS the **TDS_ERROR** and **TDS_INFO** tokens were both used. These tokens are now obsolete.

4.7. Attentions Acknowledgments

Once a client has sent an attention to a server, the client must continue to read data until the attention has been acknowledged. Attentions are acknowledged by servers using the status field of the TDS header. Please see Cancel Protocol on page 19 for details.

4.8. Cursor Status

4.9. Message Responses

5. Protocol Data Unit Definition

TDS supports two types of PDUs; token oriented and tokenless. A token oriented PDU contains TDS tokens in the user data portion of the PDU. Tokenless PDUs contain un-formatted binary data in the user data portion.

5.1. Tokenless Stream

Tokenless data streams are only used for the client login record and bulk copy operations. The PDU header is used to determine the type of data being sent in the PDU. The actual length of the data in the PDU is determined from the length field in the header.

5.2. Token Stream

Tokens are single byte identifiers that are sent in the user data portion of a PDU. They are followed by token specific data. Tokens are either fixed length or variable length. Variable length tokens are followed by a length field. Fixed length tokens do not have a length field.

The size of the length field following a token is encoded in the token value. There are five possible classes of token length fields. They are listed here along with their bit pattern encoding:

5.2.1. Zero Length - 110xxxxx

This is a token which is not followed by a length. There is no data associated with the token.

5.2.2. Fixed Length - xx11xxxx

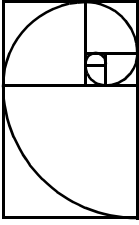
This is a token which is followed by a 1, 2, 4, or 8 bytes of data. No length field follows this token since the data length is encoded in the token value. Bits 3 and 4 are always on. Bits 5 and 6 indicate the length of the fixed length data.

- xx1100xx indicates 1 byte of data.
- xx1101xx indicates 2 bytes of data.
- xx1110xx indicates 4 bytes of data.
- xx1111xx indicates 8 bytes of data.

5.2.3. Variable Length - any other pattern

This token is followed by a length. The size of the length field, in bytes, is also encoded in the token value.

- 1010xxxx indicates 2 bytes of length. (NOTE: KEY token in this group is a “zero-length” token, there is no length field.)
- 1110xxxx indicates 2 bytes of length. (NOTE: ROW, ALTROW, PARAM tokens are in this group, but are “zero-length” tokens. The length field is absent.)
- 1000xxxx indicates 2 bytes of length.
- 001000xx or 011000xx indicates 4 bytes of length.
- 001001xx, 001010xx, 011001xx, or 011010xx indicates 1 byte of length.



New Features for 5.0

This chapter describes the additions and changes made in TDS 5.0. The follow products will implement support for 5.0 TDS:

- 10.0 DB-Library
- 10.0 Client-Library
- 10.0 Server-Library
- 10.0 SQL Server

The 5.0 TDS features fall into the following general areas:

- Cursor support
- Dynamic SQL support
- Extended Error Data
- Additional data types
- Internal changes to improve layering, support, and migration to future releases.

A general description of each of these areas is at the beginning of this chapter followed by examples on how the features are used. Details on the various new features in 5.0 TDS are in the appropriate reference pages in this document.

6. Cursors Support

5.0 TDS provides full protocol support for all ANSI specified cursor commands. This protocol support allows the System 10 Client-Library to provide a call level interface to cursor functionality implemented in the System 10 SQL Server. It also allows System 10

Server-Library applications to provide support for foreign cursors via another RDBMS or other data source.

This section includes a general discussion and outline of the TDS data stream that supports cursor operations through both language and a non-language call-level interface. Following the outline are some examples which illustrate the relationship of the cursor data streams and a client application. Detailed reference pages for the new cursor tokens are in the **CUR*** reference pages.

6.1. SQL Server Cursor Support

The System 10 release of SQL Server supports cursors as defined in the ANSI SQL 89 specification. Client-Library provides applications access to the SQL Server's cursor functionality or a Server-Library application's via a set of APIs. Client-Library applications can access the cursor functionality in Sybase Server products either through the Client-Library cursor APIs or using SQL language commands.

6.2. Support of Foreign Cursors (Open Server)

System 10 Open Server provides support for all TDS cursor commands. A set of APIs and a new cursor event provide an Open Server application access to all cursor requests made by a Client-Library application via the call-level interface. This eliminates the requirement for an Open Server application to parse T-SQL commands to implement cursor support.

6.3. Cursors and TDS

6.3.1. Client Cursor Requests

Both language and call-level interface cursor requests are supported by System 10 Client-Library.

If a Client-Library application is using language based cursor commands, the cursor command is sent to the server using the **LANGUAGE** token. The disadvantage of this technique is that it requires the server to parse the language command to implement the cursor request. It also makes it more difficult to build an Open Server application to support foreign cursors since a parse would be required to parse the T-SQL cursor command.

If a Client-Library application uses the call-level interface the following TDS tokens are sent to the server instead of a language string:

CURDECLARE	Declare a cursor.
CUOPEN	Open a cursor.
CURFETCH	Fetch "fetch count" number of rows through a cursor.
CURUPDATE	Update the current cursor row.
CURDELETE	Delete the current cursor row.

CURCLOSE Close, and optionally deallocate, a cursor.

Cursor tokens can be batched together in the same PDU with some restrictions.

The advantage of using the call-level interface, and cursor tokens, is that it eliminates the parsing required by the server. This improves cursor performance and also makes it easier to provide support for foreign cursors in an Open Server application.

6.3.2. Cursor results

Cursor results are returned to a client using the same **ROWFMT** and **ROW** tokens used to return non-cursor results to a client. The number of rows returned by a cursor fetch is controlled by the current cursor fetch count.

6.3.2.1. Setting “current” cursor row

One complication with cursors is that cursor rows are not passed between the server and client a single row-at-time if the cursor fetch count is greater than one. This means that when the client does an update or delete based on the “current cursor row”, the client’s idea of the cursor row may not be the same as the server’s. This is handled by the client identifying the current row to the server by sending the key for the current row to the server before performing the update or delete.

Key column information is returned to the client in the **ROWFMT** token.

For example, consider the following cursor:

```
DECLARE CURSOR csr AS
SELECT a, b FROM mytable

FOR UPDATE
```

In this example, the unique key for “mytable” is columns “a” and “c”. Although the column “c” is not part of the select list, the server will send it back with the **ROW** token as a “hidden” field. The **ROWFMT** token will identify column “a” as a “key” field and column “c” as a “key” and “hidden” field. This tells Client-Library that column “c” is not a column as far as the client application is concerned, but it is part of the key for the row. Then if any updates or deletes are performed on this cursor, Client-Library will send the key for the current row back to the server as a **KEY** token along with the update or delete request.

The server does **not** send back a new key value if an update changes a key value. The client must remember that this row has been updated, and if the application attempts to update this row again, it should set the **TDS_CUR_CONSEC_UPDS** bit in any future update to this row.

6.3.2.2. Matching cursor results to a particular cursor.

5.0 TDS supports multiple open cursors over the same dialog. However, only one cursor can be the current cursor at any given time. The **CURINFO** token is used to indicate the current cursor on

a dialog. The **CURINFO** token is also used by a server to assign a cursor ID when a cursor is first opened, and by a client to set the current cursor fetch count.

Whenever a client or server wants to change the current cursor it sends a **CURINFO** token with the cursor ID set to the new current cursor. A cursor remains current until it is explicitly changed by another **CURINFO**. See TDS_CURINFO on page 97 for complete details.

7. Dynamic SQL Support

8. Extended Error Data

9. Additional Data Types

TDS 5.0 provides support for **NUMERIC**, **DECIMAL**, **LONGVARCHAR**, and **LONGVARBINARY** data types. A new TDS token was added for each of these new data types. The new data types are supported in the **ROWFMT**, **PARAMFMT**, **ALTFMT**, **RETURNVALUE**, **ROW**, **ALTROW**, **KEY**, **PARAMS**, or **RPC** data streams.

Also introduced (version 3.1 of this specification) is the **TDS_BLOB** datatype. It is a chunked or streaming datatype useful for moving larger data. Neither the sender nor the receiver needs to know how large the total data will be when it begins sending it.

See TDS Datatypes on page 109 for details on the new data type tokens.

10. Wide Result support

Version 3.4 of this specification adds TDS support to remove the 255 byte limit on columns and the 250 column limit per table. TDS_WIDETABLE Request and TDS_NOWIDETABLE Response capability bits were added to indicate that clients can make requests using new bigger tokens and can handle response streams with these wider result sets.

TDS_CURDECLARE2, TDS_DYNAMIC2, TDS_ORDERBY2, TDS_ROWFORMT2, and TDS_PARAMFMT2 tokens were added to address size limitations in the existing CURDECLARE, DYNAMIC, ORDERBY, PARAMFMT, and ROWFMT tokens respectively.

10.1. TDS Header File

All TDS tokens, defines, and typedefs are now defined in one header file, **tds.h**. **tds.h** is the sole definition for TDS values. It should be used by all Sybase products to ensure product consistency for all TDS values.

10.2. Options and Capabilities

TDS 5.0 adds support for tokenized option commands. The token added to support options is **OPTIONCMD**. Support is provided for setting, clearing, and inquiring about server options.

Previous versions of TDS had no support for options requiring all products that provided option support to use hard coded T-SQL option strings, “set option”.

TDS 5.0 also adds support for clients and servers to exchange capabilities during dialog establishment. Clients send a list of requested capabilities to a server for both request and response. The capability list includes both commands that a client can send and a list of data types that can be supported. A server returns the complete list of capabilities that it is willing to support on this dialog. This list may be different than the original list sent by a client. If the list of capabilities is different than the original one requested by the client it can choose to continue using the server’s capabilities or to terminate the dialog.

The token added in 5.0 to support this feature is **CAPABILITY**.

Previous versions of TDS required the client and server to use the TDS version to determine the capabilities that are supported on a dialog. This made it very difficult to migrate to future releases of TDS. Capabilities solves this problem by providing a finer level of control over the actual functions supported on a dialog.

10.3. TDS Protocol Data Unit Changes

TDS 5.0 eliminates the use of the packet header type to determine the command contained in the PDU. In previous versions of TDS, both language and RPC commands used the packet header. This made it impossible in previous versions of the protocol to send more than one command at a time since only one packet header exists in a PDU. Now it is possible to mix command and response types in the same PDU.

For example, an option command could be bundled with a language command in the same PDU.

Removing the use of the packet header to indicate the command type also more clearly defines the layering of the TDS protocol. The packet header provides PDU delimitation only. This functionality is session level functionality in the OSI Reference Model. The command type indicated by the token is an application level function.

The new packet type added to support this is **NORMAL**. This will be used for all packets that contain completely tokenized data.

New TDS Tokens

- **CAPABILITY — 0xE2**
Dialog capability negotiation.
- **CURDECLARE — 0xA3**
Declare a cursor.
- **CURDECLARE2 — 0x23**
Declare a cursor.
- **CUROPEN — 0x31**
Open a cursor.
- **CURFETCH — 0x2E**
Fetch through a cursor.
- **CURUPDATE — 0xEA**
Update through a cursor.
- **CURDELETE — 0x2C**
Delete through a cursor.
- **CURCLOSE — 0x33**
Close a cursor.
- **CURINFO — 0x2A**
Report and set cursor characteristics.
- **DYNAMIC — 0xE7**
Describes a statement to be “prepared” or a prepared statement to be “executed”.
- **DYNAMIC2 — 0xA3**
Describes a statement to be “prepared” or a prepared statement to be “executed”.
- **EED**
- **KEY — 0xCA**
Cursor key data.
- **MSG — 0xE5**
Peer-to-peer message.
- **ORDERBY2 — 0x22**
Describes the sorting order of the result set to follow based on ORDER BY clauses of the select statement.
- **ROWFMT — 0xEE**
Describes format of row or key columns.
- **LANGUAGE — 0x21**
Client language command.

- **LOGOUT — 0x71**
Dialog termination.
- **OPTIONCMD — 0xA6**
Setting, clearing, and checking options.
- **PARAMFMT — 0xEC**
Parameter format.
- **PARAMS — 0xD7**
Parameter data.
- **RPC — 0xE0**
Database Remote Procedure Call command.

New TDS Packet Types

- **normal** packet type — **20**
Tokenized request/response packet type.
- **urgent** packet type — **21**
Tokenized packet type containing attention or event notification.

New TDS Datatypes

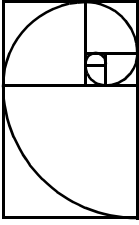
- **DECN — 0x6A**
The decimal data type.
- **NUMN — 0x6C**
The numeric data type.
- **LONGBINARY — 0xE1**
The long binary data type.
- **LONGCHAR — 0xAF**
The long character data type.
- **SENSITIVITY —**
The sensitivity data type for secure user authentication
- **BOUNDARY —**
The boundary data type for secure user authentication

Changed TDS Datastreams

- **Language Requests**
Now tokenized — see **LANGUAGE**.
- **LOGINACK — 0xAD**
Dropped *interface* argument and added *status* to facilitate handshake login sequence. The interface information is now handled by capabilities.
- **Remote Procedure Call Requests**
Now tokenized — see **RPC**.

TDS Datastreams No Longer Supported

- **ALTCONTROL — 0xAF**
Was never implemented.
- **COLNAME — 0xA0**
Replaced by **ROWFMT**.
- **COLFMT — 0xA1**
Replaced by **ROWFMT**.
- **PROCID — 0x7C**
Dropped. Never used.



Canceling Operations

Clients require the ability to cancel an outstanding request. For example, the client may submit a query to a server which returns several hundred rows. While the rows are being returned to the client, the client decides that it is no longer interested and wishes to tell the server. This is done by cancelling the request. The operation is typically used to stop the processing of a client request to the server and is known as a cancel.

This chapter describes the 5.0 TDS behavior for handling cancels in terms of the TDS protocol. It also describes how cancels work with new 5.0 TDS features, such as cursors.

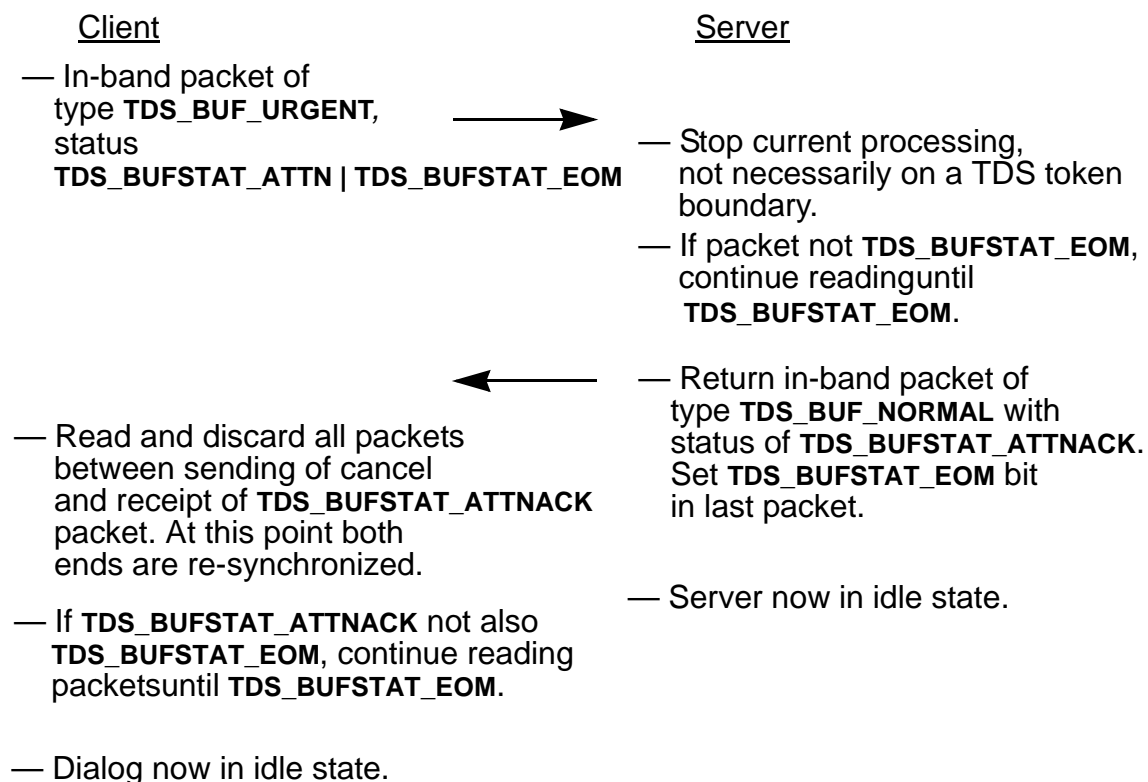
A major change to cancels in 5.0 is that cancels are sent as “normal” data instead of “expedited” data. The elimination of expedited data solves a lot of race conditions caused by using expedited data. Also, not all transport protocols support expedited data. However, the switch to using normal data delivery for cancels is not without cost. Because the cancel is delivered in the normal data stream, cancels can come to the attention of the recipient more slowly than expedited data. This is because any data in front of the cancel must be read first.

11. Cancel Protocol

A cancel request is sent using a non-expedited TDS packet with the header type set to **TDS_BUF_URGENT** and the packet header status bit set to **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTN**. The client will then read packets from the server until the cancel is acknowledged with a packet of header type **TDS_BUF_NORMAL** and the packet header status bit set to **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNACK**. The data, if any, in the packet with the **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNACK** bit set is discarded. Once the client receives a packet with the header status bit **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNACK** set, the dialog state is returned to an idle state. The client may now issue another request.

When a **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTN** is sent by a client the **TDS_BUFSTAT_EOM** bit must also be set in the header status field. The **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNAK** returned by a server in response to a **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTN** must have the **TDS_BUFSTAT_EOM** bit set at the end of the response. However, the **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNAK** can have a data length of 0 or greater. All data in the **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNAK** response can be safely discard by the client.

Any dialog state information required by the sender of a **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTN** is explicitly requested by the sender after the **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNAK** has been received. The only state information currently required by a client is the state of all open cursors on the dialog. This state information is requested by the client by sending a **TDS_CURINFO** token with a **cmd** argument of **TDS_CUR_CMD_INQUIRE** and a cursor id of 0.



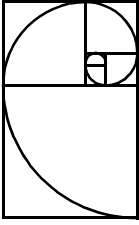
12. Cancels and Cursors

Because cursors, unlike other commands, may have a life that spans multiple requests, the relationship of cancels and cursors needs to be discussed separately. Unlike a regular request, a cursor may, and usually does, have a life beyond a single request. Therefore a cancel does not necessarily cause a cursor to disappear. There is also the problem of row context with cursor. Unless the cursor row count is 1, the server's and client's notion of the current row is usually different. If a cancel is received during a cursor fetch, there is really no way of re-synchronizing the server's and client's row context.

Canceling a batch that includes cursor commands really means that the condition of the cursor or cursors in the request is unknown. The cancel may cause a cursor to be closed or it may have no effect at all if the server has already completed the cursor-related commands in a request. The problem is further compounded by the fact that the server may have finished a cursor operation, e.g., fetch, before it received the cancel and the client doesn't see the data because it comes between the time the cancel was sent and the **TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNACK** packet was received from the server. There is also the problem that cursor may be either language or function based. A language-based cursor is one that was opened and operated using T-SQL commands. These commands are sent to the server using a **TDS_LANGUAGE** TDS token. A function-based cursor is one that was opened and operated using Client-Library cursor APIs. These commands are sent to the server using TDS **TDS_CUR*** tokens.

These problems are solved in the following way.

- When the client sends a cancel, the client will request the cursor state (open or closed) for all cursors on the dialog. This information is requested using the **TDS_CURINFO** token.
- The client will update its notion of the cursor state, if needed, for every function-based cursor referenced in the request that was canceled.
- The server will enforce the rule that cursors opened via language may be manipulated only with language commands and cursors opened via TDS cursor functions may be manipulated only with TDS cursor tokens. In other words, a cursor may not be manipulated using both language and cursor tokens.



Event Notifications

In pre-5.0 TDS, event notifications were sent using the **TDS_EVENTNOTICE** data stream in a **TDS_BUF_RESPONSE** message. The only token in this response message was **TDS_EVENTNOTICE**. Event notifications are always sent at the end of a complete TDS token stream.

The old way of sending event notifications causes problems when attentions are sent as non-expedited or normal data. A client would miss an event notification that is sent by a server after a client has sent an attention. If event notifications were sent to 5.0 clients using the pre-5.0 protocol, a client could not discard received message data after sending an attention because it would have to parse the token stream looking for event notifications. This defeats the purpose of attentions.

To solve this problem, event notifications in 5.0 are sent in a **TDS_BUF_URGENT** message with the **Status** field set to **TDS_BUFSTAT_EVENT**. This allows 5.0 clients's to discard received data following an attention based on the message header only. The event notification parameters will also be sent using the **TDS_PARAMFMT/PARAMS** data stream, instead of **TDS_RETURNVALUE**.

13. Event Notification Capabilities

The type of event notification protocol to use will be controlled using a new request capability value called **TDS_REQ_URGEVT**. If this capability is requested by a client, the new event notification protocol will be used. If this capability is not requested, the old event notification protocol will be used. This will allow DB-Library to only support the old event notification protocol.

14. Pre-5.0 Event Notification Protocol

This is a summary of the pre-5.0 event notification protocol.

Event Notification Protocol

Message Type: **TDS_BUF_RESPONSE**

Message Status: Undefined

Token Stream

TDS_EVENTNOTICE

TDS_RETURNVALUE

TDS_DONE(TDS_DONE_EVENT|TDS_DONE_FINAL)

NOTE: These are the only tokens in this response message.

Dropped Procedure Protocol

Message Type: **TDS_BUF_RESPONSE**

Message Status: Undefined

Token Stream

TDS_ERROR (MsgNo = 16500)

"Procedure %s no longer exists in the server"

TDS_DONE(TDS_DONE_EVENT|TDS_DONE_FINAL)

NOTE: These are the only tokens in this response message.

15. 5.0 Event Notification Protocol

This is a summary of the 5.0 event notification protocol.

5.0 Event Notification Protocol

Message Type: **TDS_BUF_URGENT**

Message Status: **TDS_BUFSTAT_EVENT|TDS_BUFSTAT_EOM**

Token Stream

TDS_EVENTNOTICE

TDS_PARAMFMT

TDS_PARAMS

TDS_DONE(TDS_DONE_EVENT)

NOTE: These are the only tokens in this response message.

5.0 Dropped Procedure Protocol

Message Type: **TDS_BUF_URGENT**

Message Status: **TDS_BUFSTAT_EVENT|TDS_BUFSTAT_EOM**

Token Stream

TDS_EED (MsgNo = 16500)

“Procedure %s no longer exists in the server”

TDS_DONE(TDS_DONE_EVENT|TDS_DONE_FINAL)

NOTE: These are the only tokens in this response message.

Examples

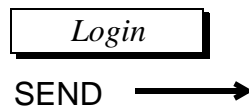
Command-Based Cursor Operations

Here is an example of a simple cursor client application. This program opens a connection to a server, and obtains a command handle for that connection. The application then declares and opens a cursor, setting cursor rows to 10. The rows of the cursor result set are then fetched one at a time, and an update of a particular row is made.

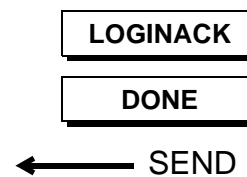
The TDS tokens that are sent and received are identified in the diagrams below.

```
/*
** Open a connection to a server.
*/
login = dblogin();
dbproc = dbopen(login, SERVER_NAME);
```

Client



Server



```
/*
** Now get a command handle.
*/
cmd = dbinitcmd(dbproc);

/*
** Let's declare the cursor.
*/
strcpy(charbuf "select * from A_Table");
dbinitop(cmd, DB_CURSOR_DECLARE, "my_cursor", charbuf, DBFORUPDATE);
```

Client



```
/*
** Set the cursor rows to 10.
*/
```

```
dbcmdoptions(cmd, DBCURROWS, 10);
```

Client

CURDECLARE

OPTIONCMD

(CURSOR ROWS)

```
/*  
** Let's open the cursor in the same operation.  
*/  
dbinitop(cmd, DB_CURSOR_OPEN, NULL, NULL, FETCH_ON_OPEN);
```

Client

CURDECLARE

OPTIONCMD

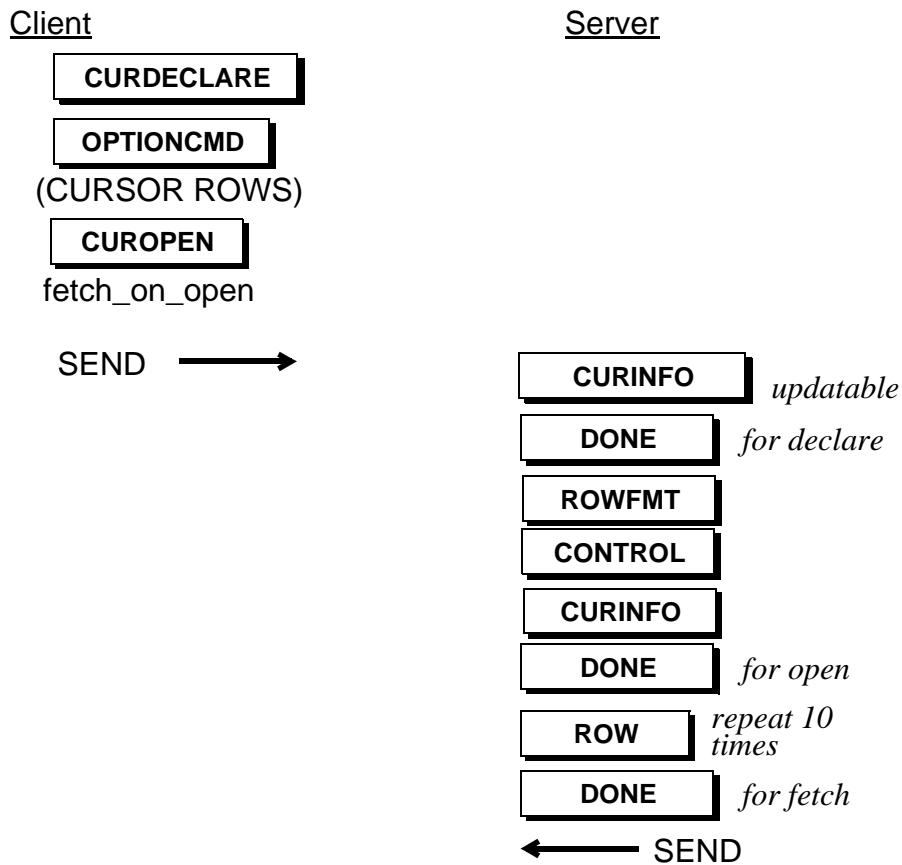
(CURSOR ROWS)

CUOPEN

fetch_on_open

```
/*  
** Now send the open to the server.
```

```
*/
dbcmdsend(cmd);
```

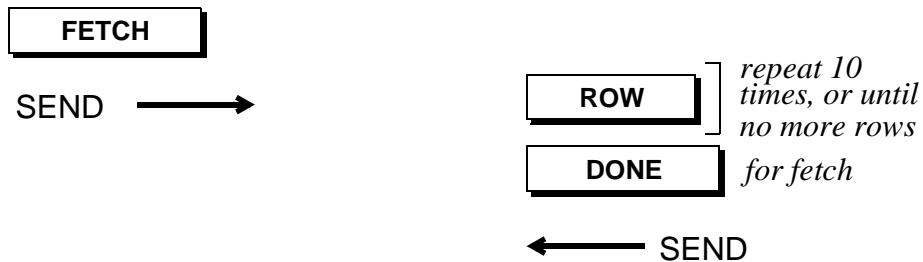


```
/*
** Process the results of the cursor.
*/
while((ret = dbcmdresults(cmd)) != DBNOMORERESULTS)
{
    switch(ret)
    {
        case DBREGRESULT:
            /*
            ** Bind the columns here.
            */
            dbcmdbind(cmd, DBREGROW, SYBINTBIND, 1,
                4, 1, NULL, &intbuf);
            dbcmdbind(cmd, DBREGROW, SYBNTSBIND, 1,
                255, 1, NULL, charbuf);
    }
}
```

```

/*
** Now fetch the rows.
*/
while(dbfetch(cmd, 1, 0, 0)
      != DBNOMOREROWS)

```

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The fetch will be automatically sent when 10 rows are consumed by the client application.

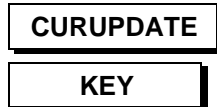
```

{
    /*
    ** Update a particular row.
    */
    if(intbuf == 25)
    {
        /*
        ** Define the update clause.
        */
        dbinitop(cmd, DB_CURSOR_UPDATE, NULL,
                  "set col1 = 55", 0);
    }
}

```

Client

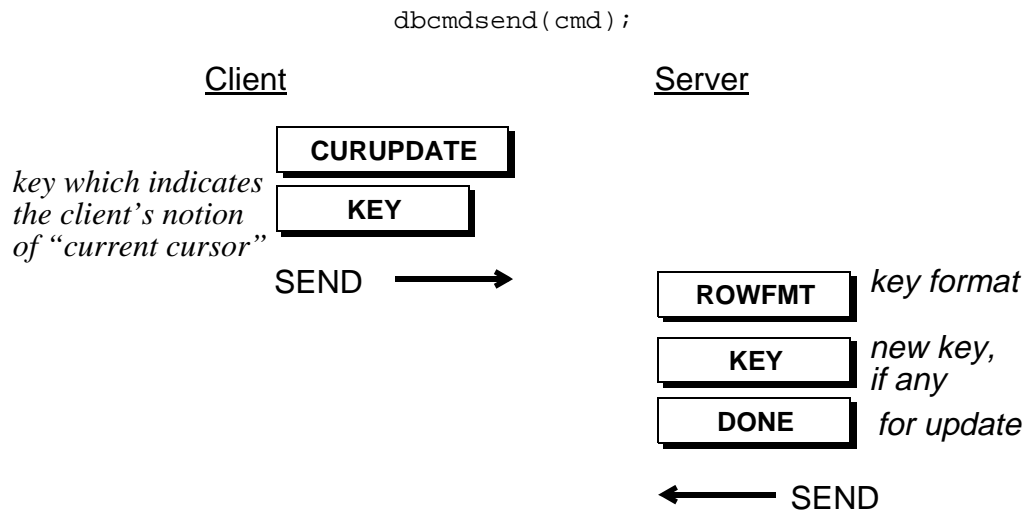
*key which indicates
the client's notion
of "current cursor"
position*



```

/*
** Send the update command
** to the server.
*/

```



```

/*
** Verify that the update
** succeeded.
*/
if(dbcmdresults(cmd) == FAIL)
{
    exit(1);
}

/*
** Go on to the next row.
*/
}

break;

case FAIL:
default:

    /*
    ** This is an error - Open Client has
    ** already called the application's
    ** error handler, so just exit.
    */
    exit(1);
}

/*
** Go on to the next result set.
*/

```

```
}  
/*  
** All done.  
*/  
dbclose(dbproc);
```

Client

CURCLOSE

LOGOUT

SEND →

ServerCURINFO *closed*DONE *for cursor close*DONE *for logout*

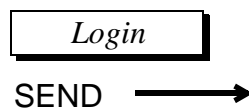
← SEND

Example — Language-based Cursor Operations

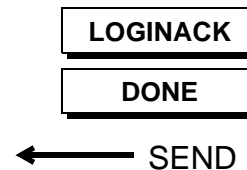
The previous example accessed cursor functionality in a server via the TDS cursor tokens. Clients may also use language commands for cursor operations. In order to illustrate the ability to access cursor functionality in SQL Server via Transact-SQL queries, we will rewrite the previous example, sending a language command to the server containing cursor operations.

```
/*
** Open a connection to the server.
*/
login = dblogin();
dbproc = dbopen(login, SERVER_NAME);
```

Client



Server



```
/*
** Now get a command handler.
*/
cmd = dbinitcmd(dbproc);

/*
** Let's build our command string. This command batch
** will declare and open the cursor. It will also set
** cursor rows to 1.
*/
strcpy(charbuf, "declare cursor my_cursor for ");
strcat(charbuf, "select * from A_Table for update ");
strcat(charbuf, "set cursor rows 10 for my_cursor ");
strcat(charbuf, "open my_cursor ");
strcat(charbuf, "fetch my_cursor");

dbinitop(cmd, DB_LANG_CMD, NULL, charbuf, 0);
```

Client



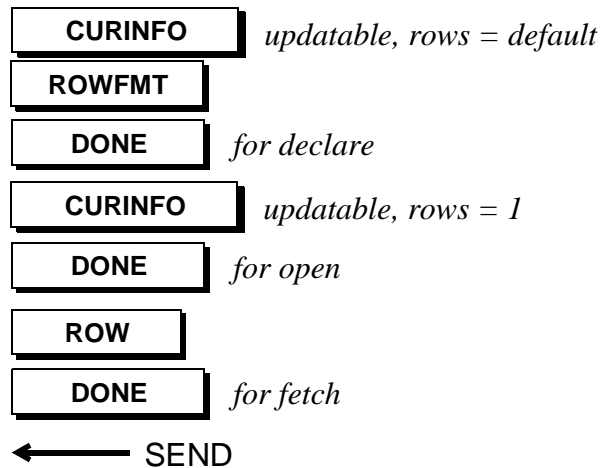
```
/*
** Send the query to the Server.
*/
```

```
dbcmdsend(cmd);
```

ClientServer

LANGUAGE

SEND →



```

/*
** Process the results of the cursor.
*/
while((ret = dbcmdresults(cmd)) != DBNOMORERESULTS)
{
    switch(ret)
    {
        case DBREGRESULT:
            /*
            ** Bind the columns here.
            */
            dbcmdbind(cmd, DBREGROW, SYBINTBIND, 1,
                4, 1, NULL, &intbuf);
            dbcmdbind(cmd, DBREGROW, SYBNTSBIND, 1,
                255, 1, NULL, charbuf);

            /*
            ** Now fetch the rows.
            */
            while(dbfetch(cmd, 1, 0, 0) !=

```

```

                                DBNOMOREROWS)
{
    /*
    ** Update a particular row.
    */
    if(intbuf == 25)
    {
        /*
        ** Define the update clause.
        ** Change the first column
        ** the value 1.
        */
        strcpy(charbuf,
            "update A_Table set coll = 1 ";
        strcat(charbuf,
            "where current of my_cursor");

        dbinitop(cmd, DB_LANG_CMD,
            NULL, charbuf, 0);
    }
}

```

Client

Server

LANGUAGE

```

/*
** Send the update command
** to the server.
*/
dbcmdsend(cmd);

```

Client

Server

LANGUAGE

SEND →

ROWFMT

*key format
and key,
if any*

KEY

DONE

for update

← SEND

```

        /*
        ** Verify that the update
        ** succeeded.
        */
        if(dbcmdresults(cmd) == FAIL)
        {
            fprintf(stderr, "ERROR - update
                           failed!\n");
            exit(1);
        }
    }

    /*
    ** Go on to the next row.
    */
}

/*
** Send another fetch to see if there are more rows.
*/
strcpy(charbuf, "fetch my_cursor");
dbinitop(cmd, DB_LANG_CMD, NULL, charbuf, 0);

```

Client

LANGUAGE

```
dbsend(cmd);
```

Client

LANGUAGE

SEND →

Server

ROW

DONE

for fetch

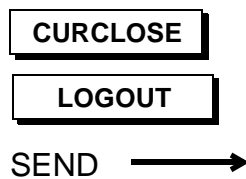
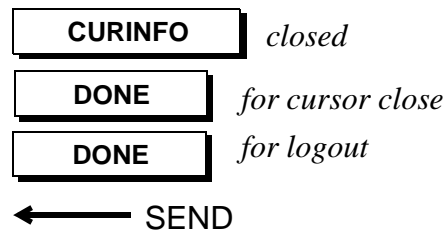
← SEND

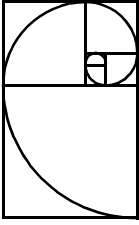
```
break;
```

```
        case FAIL:
        default:

            /*
            ** This is an error. Open Client has
            ** already printed an error message,
            ** so just exit here.
            */
            exit(1);
    }

    /*
    ** All done.
    */
    dbclose(dbproc);
```

ClientServer



Identity Columns

Identity columns are used to uniquely identify a row in a table. They are a column of type numeric. They must have a scale value of 0. The status field of the **TDS_ROWFMF** token is used to determine if a column is an identity column. Identity columns will have a status of **TDS_ROW_IDENTITY**.

16. Identity Column Options

There are two ways an identity column in a table is updated:

- Implicitly: The server generates a unique value for the identity column
- Explicitly: Client provides a value for the identity column.

These two methods of updating an identity column are controlled using options. The T-SQL option command is:

```
set identity_insert <tablename> <on/off>
```

If identity is turned on, the client is expected to provide a value for the identity column. This is the explicit case. If identity is turned off, the server will generate a value for the identity column. The client does not provide a value for the identity column. This is the implicit case.

Identity can only be turned on for one table at a time on a given dialog.

The option definitions for the **TDS_OPTIONCMD** token to support identity columns are **TDS_OPT_IDENTITYON** and **TDS_OPT_IDENTITYOFF**. See **TDS_OPTIONCMD** on page 199 for details on this options.

17. Bulk Copy Support

When Bulk Copy loads or retrieves table information it must account for the identity column. In the default case (implicit) the identity column is not returned to the user of the bcp stand-alone or the bulk copy library API. The bulk copy library must provide/strip the identity column based on the table description information received from the server during initialization. In the explicit case the identity column will be provided by and returned to the user of the bcp stand-alone or bulk copy API.

Table 1: Sample Table Description

Table Description	Data Type	Identity?
Column 1	Character	No
Column 2	Numeric	Yes
Column 3	Integer	No

For implicit inbound, the data provided in the bcp input file or via the bulk copy API by a BCP user would not include any information for column 2. When the BCP library is building the formatted row, it would insert a 0 placeholder in the row for the identity column before sending the row to the server.

For explicit inbound, the data provided in the bcp input file or via the bulk copy API by a BCP user would include information for column 2. If this information is not provided the bulk copy library would report an error. The formatted row is built entirely from data provided by the user.

For implicit outbound, the bulk copy library and bcp would not return description information or data for column 2 to the user. If a user asked for a description of column 2, they would receive the description for column 3.

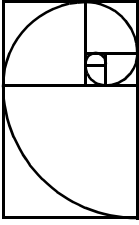
For explicit outbound, descriptions for all columns would be available to the user. Column 2 should be identified as an identity column.

To support identity columns an external configuration option must be made available for both bcp and the bulk copy library. This configuration option is used to indicate whether implicit or explicit identity column behavior is wanted. This configuration option should be made available via a command line option for the bcp stand-alone, and either a new property API to the bulk library, or a new argument to `blk_init`.

If explicit identity column support is requested, the bulk copy library must request the current setting of the **TDS_OPT_IDENTITYON** option. It then must send a **TDS_OPT_IDENTITYON** option for the table that will be loaded. When the load is complete, the bulk library must generate a **TDS_OPT_IDENTITYOFF** option for the table that was just loaded, and reset the current state of the **TDS_OPT_IDENTITYON** option using the initial setting requested before the bulk copy was started.

Bulk copies on tables that contain identity columns will not be supported in TDS versions < 5.0. If a bulk copy is attempted on a table with an identity column using TDS < 5.0, the server will generate an error and the bulk copy will be aborted.

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Security Support

TDS 5.0 added support for negotiated login and security specific data types.

18. Data Types

Two new data types were added to support the secure server. Both of these data types are 1 byte variable length data types. Their names are:

- **TDS_SENSITIVITY**
- **TDS_BOUNDARY**

Servers will perform character set translation on these data types. There are no conversions defined for these data types. These data types are used during security handshake during login and as column values in a row.

If a client uses capabilities bits to indicate that these data types are not supported, a server automatically sends these data types as **TDS_VARCHARS** instead. The capability bits are:

- **TDS_DATA_SENSITIVITY (TDS_CAP_REQUEST)**
- **TDS_DATA_BOUNDARY (TDS_CAP_REQUEST)**
- **TDS_DATA_NOSENSITIVITY (TDS_CAP_RESPONSE)**
- **TDS_DATA_NOBOUNDARY (TDS_CAP_RESPONSE)**

19. Login Record Support

The `lseclogin` field in the login record is used to indicate that a client is willing to perform the indicated security handshaking. The server has the final say over whether this handshaking will occur.

The lseclogin field can have any combination of the following bits set:

Table 2: Negotiated Login Bits

Name	Description
TDS_SEC_LOG_ENCRYPT	Perform password encryption. No plain text passwords are sent in either lpw/lpwnlen or lrempw/lrempwlen fields (lpwnlen and lrempwlen should be set to 0). Any information in these fields is ignored by the server.
TDS_SEC_LOG_CHALLENGE	perform challenge/response login sequence.
TDS_SEC_LOG_LABELS	Perform security label exchange.
TDS_SEC_LOG_APPDEFINED	Perform application specific security hand-shake.

20. Security Messages

The message numbers in the table below are reserved for secure login negotiation.

Table 3: Negotiated Login Messages

Name	Client/ Server	Description
TDS_MSG_SEC_ENCRYPT	Server	Start encrypted login protocol. This message has one TDS_VARBINARY parameter containing the encryption key.
TDS_MSG_SEC_LOGPWD	Client	Send encrypted user password to a server. This message has one TDS_VARBINARY parameter containing the encrypted user password.

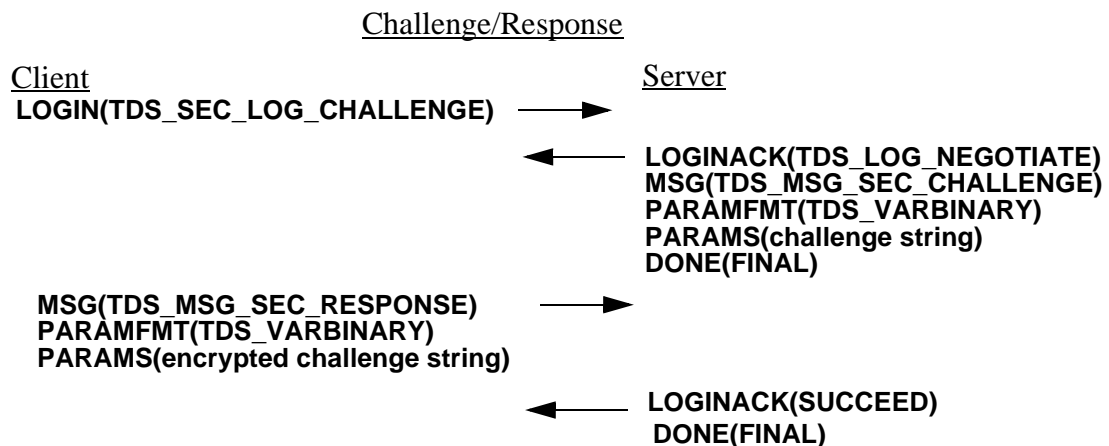
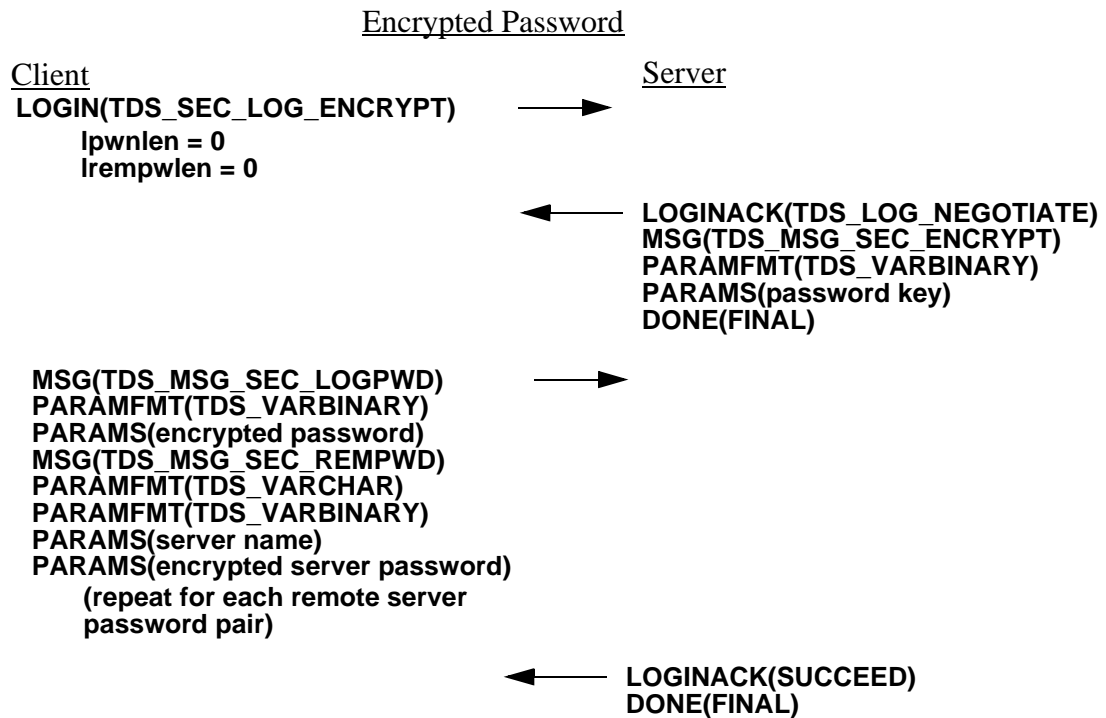
Table 3: Negotiated Login Messages

Name	Client/ Server	Description
TDS_MSG_SEC_REMPWD	Client	Send a list of remote servers and encrypted passwords to a server. The message parameters consist of pairs of TDS_VARCHAR/ TDS_VARBINARY parameters that contain the remote server name and the encrypted password for that remote server.
TDS_MSG_SEC_CHALLENGE	Server	Start challenge/response protocol. This message has one TDS_VARBINARY parameter which contains an un-encrypted challenge byte string. This message is only used for the probe account and the backup server.
TDS_MSG_SEC_RESPONSE	Client	Return the encrypted challenge byte string to a server. This message is only used for the probe account and the backup server.
TDS_MSG_SEC_GETLABELS	Server	Start trusted user login protocol. There are no parameters to this message.
TDS_MSG_SEC_LABELS	Client	Return security labels to a server. This message has an undefined number of parameters of type TDS_SENSITIVITY . These parameters contain the security labels. The number of security labels returned to the server is undefined by the TDS protocol.

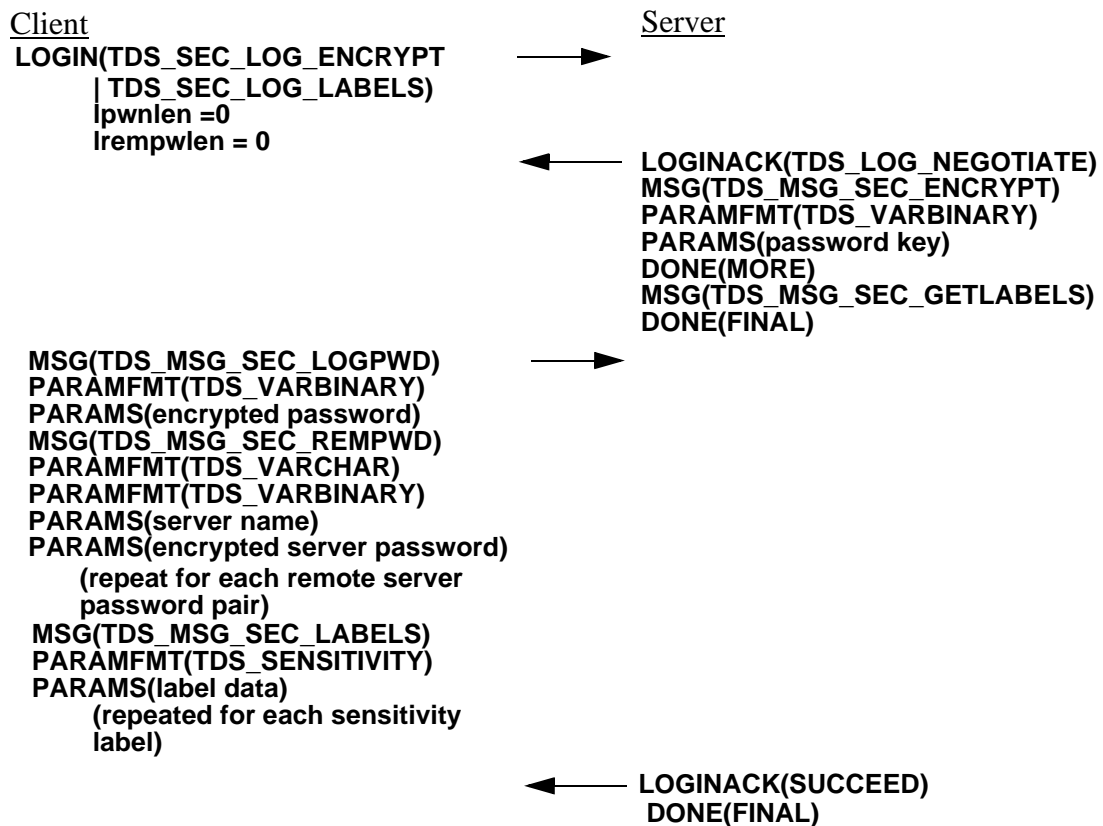
21. Security Protocols

The client program is responsible for requesting that a security hand-shake should occur using one or more of the negotiated login bits in the login record. A client can abort a security hand-shake at any time by closing the connection.

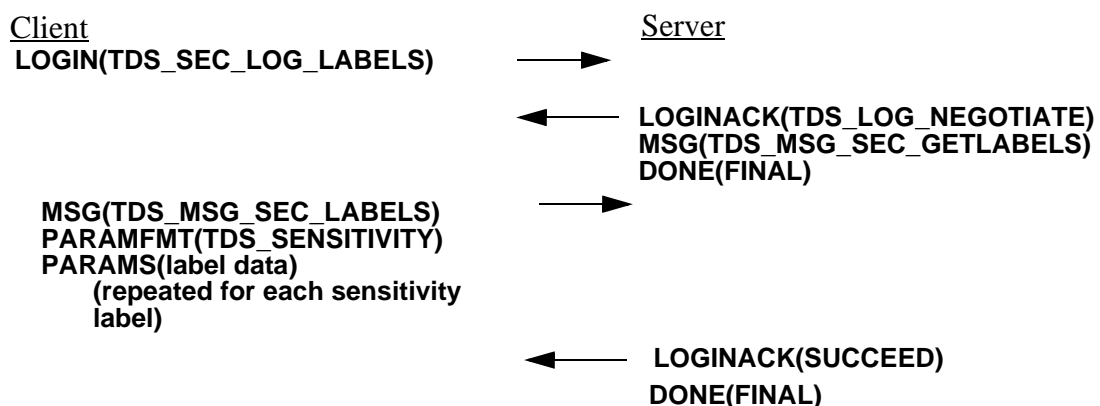
Security hand-shaking is done using the messages defined above. The protocol for the encrypted password, challenge/response, and trusted user are below.



Encrypted Password and Trusted User



Trusted User



22. Bulk Copy Support

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Table 4: Sample Table Description

Table Description	Data Type	Identity?
Column 1	Character	No
Column 2	Numeric	Yes
Column 3	Integer	No

For implicit inbound, the data provided in the bcp input file or via the bulk copy API by a BCP user would not include any information for column 2. When the BCP library is building the formatted row, it would insert a 0 placeholder in the row for the identity column before sending the row to the server.

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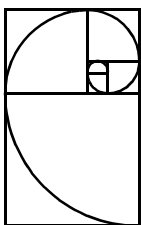
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Bulk copies on tables that contain identity columns will not be supported in TDS versions < 5.0. If a bulk copy is attempted on a table with an identity column using TDS < 5.0, the server will generate an error and the bulk copy will be aborted.

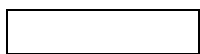
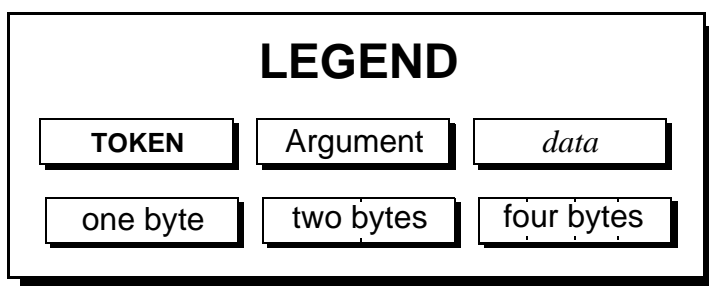
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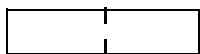
TDS 5.0 Reference Pages

Each TDS token has a reference page which provides a detailed description of the format of the token's data stream and of its usage. Each reference page contains a graphic description of the data stream's syntax, comments on various aspects of its usage, and a detailed description of each argument.

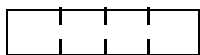
In most cases, the graphic syntax gives enough information to be used as a quick reference to the datastream. This is the legend for the graphics.



A box without any marks indicates a one byte argument.



A box with one pair of marks indicates a two byte argument.



A box with three pairs of marks indicates a four byte argument.

TOKEN — A bold-faced font indicates the TDS token for the data stream.

Argument — A Helvetica font indicates that the argument is part of the data stream description but not part of the actual data of the data stream.

data — An italic font indicates that this argument is replaced by actual data in the data stream.

All multi-byte length fields in the data streams are sent in the client's byte order. The server receiving the token converts the length field as required.

TDS Token List

This is a complete list of all assigned TDS tokens, not including the data type tokens. See the data type man page for a complete list of the data type tokens.

TDS_ALTCONTROL	0xAF (obsolete)
TDS_ALTFMT	0xA8
TDS_ALTNAME	0xA7
TDS_ALTROW	0xD3
TDS_CAPABILITY	0xE2
TDS_COLFMT	0xA1 (obsolete)
TDS_COLFMTOLD	0x2A (obsolete)
TDS_COLINFO	0xA5
TDS_COLNAME	0xA0 (obsolete)
TDS_CONTROL	0xAE
TDS_CURCLOSE	0x80
TDS_CURDECLARE	0x86
TDS_CURDECLARE2	0x23
TDS_CURDELETE	0x81
TDS_CURFETCH	0x82
TDS_CURINFO	0x83
TDS_CUROPEN	0x84
TDS_CURUPDATE	0x85
TDS_DBRPC	0xE6
TDS_DEBUGCMD	0x60
TDS_DONE	0xFD
TDS_DONEINPROC	0xFF
TDS_DONEPROC	0xFE
TDS_DYNAMIC	0xE7
TDS_DYNAMIC2	0xA3
TDS_EED	0xE5
TDS_ENVCHANGE	0xE3
TDS_ERROR	0xAA (obsolete)
TDS_EVENTNOTICE	0xA2
TDS_INFO	0xAB (obsolete)

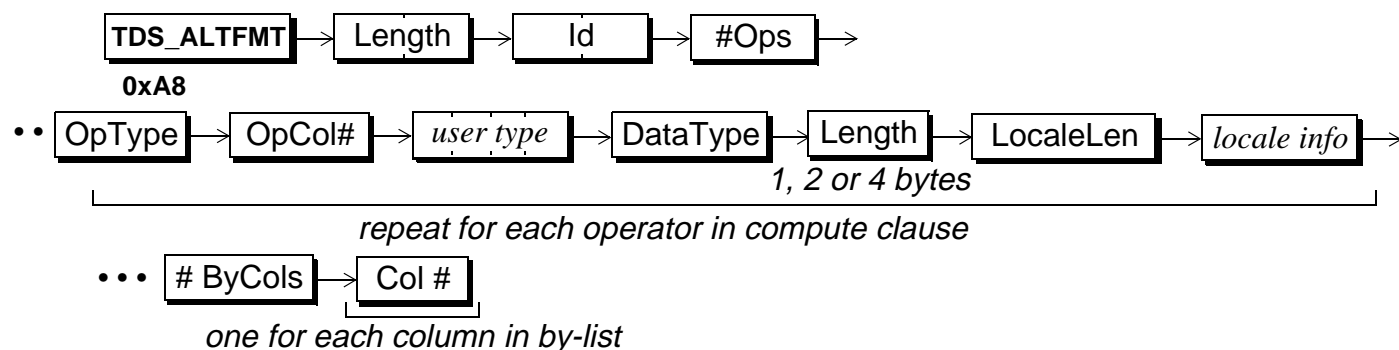
TDS_KEY0xCA
TDS_LANGUAGE0x21
TDS_LOGINACK0xAD
TDS_LOGOUT0x71
TDS_MSG.....0x65
TDS_OFFSET.....0x78
TDS_OPTIONCMD.....0xA6
TDS_ORDERBY.....0xA9
TDS_ORDERBY2.....0x22
TDS_PARAMFMT0xEC
TDS_PARAMFMT20x20
TDS_PARAMS0xD7
TDS_PROCID.....0x7C (obsolete)
TDS_RETURNSTATUS0x79
TDS_RETURNVALUE0xAC (obsolete)
TDS_ROW0xD1
TDS_ROWfmt.....0xEE
TDS_ROWfmt2.....0x61
TDS_RPC0xE0 (obsolete)
TDS_TABNAME.....0xA4

TDS_ALTFMT

Function

The data stream for describing the data type, length, and status of **COMPUTE** data.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ALTFMT This is the data stream token that indicates that this is a data stream containing a description of compute data. This token is one byte and has the value **0xA8**.

Length This length specifies the number of bytes remaining in the data stream. It is an unsigned, two-byte integer.

Id This is the id which identifies the compute statement to which the compute column formats apply. Because a Transact-SQL statement may have more than one compute clause, the id is necessary. The id is used later in order to correctly interpret the compute row data which comes in the **TDS_ALTROW** data stream. Id is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Ops This is the number of aggregate operators in the compute clause. For example, the clause “*compute count(x), min(x), max(x)*” has three aggregate operators. This field is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

OpType

This is the type of aggregate operator. The operands for the aggregate are described by the # ByCols and Col # fields. The possible operators are:

Table 5: Aggregate Operator Types

Operator Name	Operator Value	Description
TDS_ALT_AVG	0x4F	The average value.
TDS_ALT_COUNT	0x4B	The summary count value.
TDS_ALT_MAX	0x52	The maximum value.
TDS_ALT_MIN	0x51	The minimum value.
TDS_ALT_SUM	0x4D	The sum value.

OpCol#

This is the column number associated with OpType. The first column in the select list is 1. This argument is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

user type

This is the user-defined datatype of the data. It is a signed, four-byte integer.

DataType

This is the data type of the data and is a one-byte unsigned integer. Fixed length datatypes are represented by a single datatype byte and have no following Length argument. Variable length datatypes are followed by Length which gives the maximum datatype length, in bytes.

Length

This is the maximum length, in bytes, of DataType. The size of Length depends on the datatype. This argument only exists for variable length datatypes.

LocaleLen

This is the length of the localization information. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer which may have a value of 0. If LocaleLen is 0, no localization information follows.

locale info

This is the localization information for the column. It is a character string of **LocaleLen** bytes. This argument only exists if the **LocaleLen** argument is not equal to 0.

ByCols

This is the number of columns in the by-list of the compute clause. For example, the compute clause “**compute count(sales) by year, month, division**” has three by-columns. It is legal to have no by-columns. In that case, # ByCols is 0. The argument is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

Col #

When there are by-columns in a compute (#ByCols not equal to 0), there is one Col# argument for each select column listed in the by-columns clause. For example, “**select a, b, c order by b, a compute sum(a) by b, a**” will return # ByCols as 2 followed by Col# 2 and Col# 1. The first column number is 1. This argument is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

Comments

This is the data stream used to describe the format of a compute clause.

- A compute clause may have multiple operators.
- A compute clause may have only one by-list.
- A Transact-SQL statement may have multiple compute clauses.
- Each compute clause is described by a separate **TDS_ALT_FMT** data stream.
- The information in **TDS_ALT_FMT** describes the data in the **TDS_ALTRW** data stream.

Examples

See Also

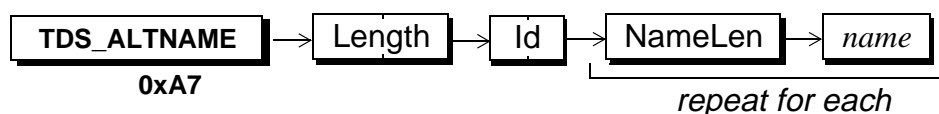
TDS_ALTRNAME, **TDS_ALTRW**

TDS_ALTNAME

Function

Describes the number and name of a compute clause.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ALTNAME

This token indicates that this datastream describes a compute clause. The token's length is one byte and its value is **0xA7**.

Length

This is the total length, in bytes, of the remaining data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Id

This is the id of the compute clause being described. It is legal for a Transact-SQL statement to have multiple compute clauses. The id is used to associate **TDS_ALTNAME**, **TDS_ALTFMT**, and **TDS_ALTROW** data streams. The field is a two-byte unsigned integer.

NameLen

This the length, in bytes, of the name or heading for each of the aggregate operators in the compute clause. Aggregate operators are not required to have headings and usually don't. In the null heading case, NameLen will be 0 and no name field will follow. There is a NameLen for each operator in a compute clause.

name

This is the compute clause heading. This argument is NameLen bytes long. If NameLen is 0, this argument does not exist.

Comments

- This token is used to describe the number of aggregate operators in a compute clause. It optionally associates names with each of the aggregate operators.

- There may be more than one compute statement in a Transact-SQL compute clause. Each compute clause is assigned an **ld**. **ld** is used to associate the **TDS_ALTFMT** and **TDS_ALTROW** data streams.
- All **TDS_ALTNAME** data streams are grouped together and precede any **TDS_ALTFMT** data streams. If there is more than one compute statement, all the **TDS_ALTNAME** data streams for the compute come first, followed by the **TDS_ALTFMT** data streams.

Examples

See Also

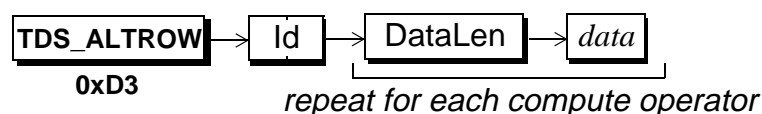
TDS_ALTFMT, TDS_ALTROW

TDS_ALTROW

Function

A row of data for a compute clause.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ALTROW This token indicates that this is a data stream containing data for a compute clause. This is a one byte with a value of **0xD3**.

Id This is the id of the compute clause data. It is legal for a Transact-SQL statement to have multiple compute clauses. The id is used to associate **TDS_ALTNAME**, **TDS_ALTFMT**, and **TDS_ALTROW** data streams. The field is a two-byte unsigned integer.

DataLen This is the length, in bytes, of the data. This field is optional, depending on the datatype of the following data. The details for representing TDS datatypes in a data stream are covered in the Datatypes reference page.

data This is the actual data of the compute clause. It's format is identical to a **TDS_ROW** data stream. Each aggregate operator in the compute clause is represented in the data stream as a column.

The data received is always in the native format of the client machine. For example, if integers are represented differently on the server than on the client, the server will perform any conversion before sending data.

Comments

- An **TDS_ALTROW** includes a complete row of compute data. It is in the format described by the **TDS_ALTFMT** data stream for a particular compute clause.

- An **TDS_ALTROW** data stream consists of **DataLen** and data pairs, one for each aggregate operator in the compute clause. The **DataLen** argument is only included for variable length and nullable datatypes.
- An **TDS_ALTROW** data stream is identical to a **TDS_ROW** data stream except that it has an **Id** field following the **TDS_ALTROW** token. Because there may be more than one compute clause in a Transact-SQL statement, each compute clause is given a unique **Id**. This **Id** is used to associate all **TDS_ALT*** data streams.

Examples

See Also

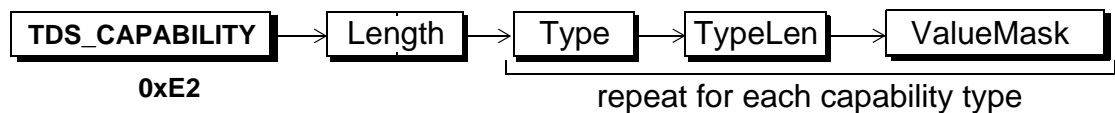
TDS_ALTFMT, TDS_ALTNAME, TDS_ROW

TDS_CAPABILITY

Function

Exchange client and server capabilities during dialog establishment.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_CAPABILITY This token indicates that this data stream contains a list of capabilities.

Length This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining data stream for this token. This argument is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Type This is the **Type** to which the following value mask refers. Capabilities are grouped by **Types**. This argument is a one-byte, unsigned integer. The supported capability types are:

Table 6: Capability Types

Type	Value	Description
TDS_CAP_REQUEST	1	Requests and data types that can be sent on this dialog.
TDS_CAP_RESPONSE	2	Responses and data types that should not be sent on this dialog.

TypeLen This is the length of **ValueMask**.

ValueMask **ValueMask** contains the bit-field encoded capabilities being reported in the data stream. The first byte in the **ValueMask** contains the high order capability bits. The last byte in the **ValueMask** contains the low order capability bits.

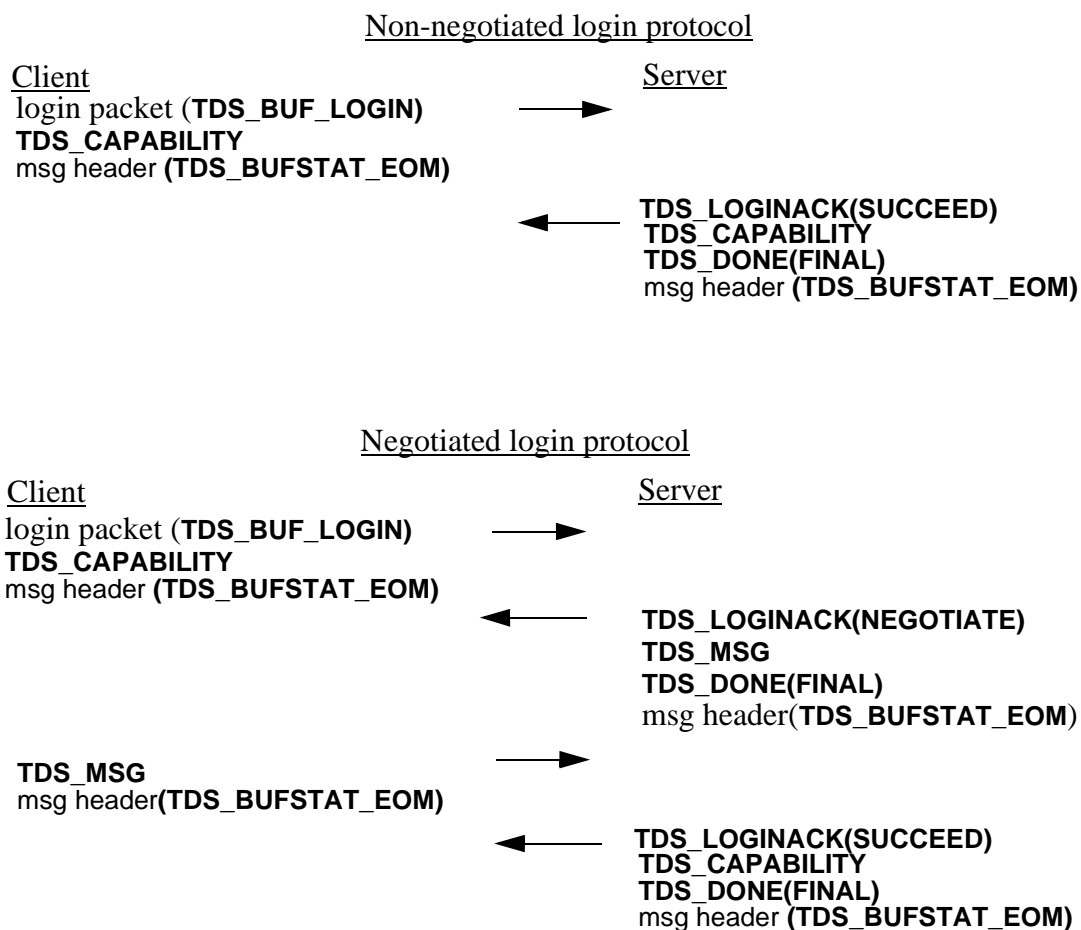
Comments

- When a client sends a login request to a server it sends a list of capabilities that it requires on the dialog. A client does not have to send all known capabilities to a server, only those it considers important.
- A server must respond to all capability requests from a client.
- The **TDS_CAPABILITY** data stream from a client is optional. It does not have to be sent. If no capability data is sent by a client, the behavior of the server with respect to TDS capabilities is undefined. The **TDS_CAPABILITY** data stream is determined to be in a login packet using the length field in the packet header.
- The **TDS_CAPABILITY** data stream is sent by a client following the login record. The server responds to the capability data stream following the **TDS_LOGINACK(SUCCESS)** token.

Question: There is a problem with withholding the CAPABILITY response from the server until after LOGINACK(SUCCESS) The client logically needs to know some of the datatype/parameter capabilities of the server in order to send the TDS_MSG, TDS_PARAMFMT, TDS_PARAM sequences which may required during login negotiation. (ie. what if a client wants to send a JAVA_OBJECT parameter ...? The server has not denied that datatype yet.) At a minimum we need to document the range of parameter types which MUST be supported by any server before it can participate in a negotiated login sequence.

- If a negotiated login is being done on the dialog, the capability data stream only follows the **TDS_LOGINACK(SUCCESS)** token, not the **TDS_LOGINACK(NEGOTIATE)**. A capability response never follows a **TDS_LOGINACK(NEGOTIATE)** token.
 - Capabilities are not in affect until completion of the login sequence.
 - Capabilities are used on all client dialogs, both client to server and server to server.
 - Capabilities are only exchanged during the login sequence. Client libraries must save a list of capabilities supported on a dialog in case the client application requests the current capabilities following the login sequence. It is illegal to send a **TDS_CAPABILITY** token following a successful login sequence

Protocol Description



- A client uses the ValueMask in the **TDS_CAPABILITY** data stream as follows:
 - setting a ValueMask bit to 1 for a **TDS_CAP_REQUEST** capability indicates that the client is requesting the server to support this capability.
 - setting a ValueMask bit to 0 for a **TDS_CAP_REQUEST** capability indicates that the client does not require support for this request type on this dialog.

- setting a **ValueMask** bit to 1 for a **TDS_CAP_RESPONSE** capability indicates that the client is requesting the server to withhold this response type on this dialog.
- setting a **ValueMask** bit to 0 for a **TDS_CAP_RESPONSE** capability indicates that the client is willing to receive this response type on this dialog.
- Servers use the **ValueMask** in the **TDS_CAPABILITY** data stream as follows:
 - converting a client's 1 bit in a **TDS_CAP_REQUEST** **ValueMask** to a 0 indicates that the server cannot support this request capability.
 - converting a client's 1 bit in a **TDS_CAP_RESPONSE** **ValueMask** to a 0 indicates that the server is not willing to withhold this response/data type from a client.
- If a server does not understand a capability **Type** it should set all bits to 0 in the **ValueMask**. This indicates to the client that the server cannot support or withhold any of these capabilities.
- If a server does not understand a bit in a **ValueMask** it should set this bit to 0 to indicate that it cannot support or withhold this capability.

Capabilities

The tables below summarize all of the supported request and response capabilities supported in TDS 5.0.

Table 7: TDS_CAP_REQUEST Capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_REQ_LANG	1	Language requests
TDS_REQ_RPC	2	RPC requests
TDS_REQ_EVT	3	Registered procedure event notification
TDS_REQ_MSTMT	4	Support multiple commands per request
TDS_REQ_BCP	5	Bulk copy requests
TDS_REQ_CURSOR	6	Cursor command requests

Table 7: TDS_CAP_REQUEST Capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_REQ_DYNF	7	Dynamic SQL requests
TDS_REQ_MSG	8	TDS_MSG requests
TDS_REQ_PARAM	9	RPC requests will use the TDS_DBRPC token and TDS_PARAMFMT/TDS_PARAM to send parameters.
TDS_DATA_INT1	10	Support 1 byte unsigned integers
TDS_DATA_INT2	11	Support 2 byte integers
TDS_DATA_INT4	12	Support 4 byte integers
TDS_DATA_BIT	13	Support bit data types
TDS_DATA_CHAR	14	Support fixed length character data types
TDS_DATA_VCHAR	15	Support variable length character data types
TDS_DATA_BIN	16	Support fixed length character data types
TDS_DATA_VBIN	17	Support variable length binary data types
TDS_DATA_MNY8	18	Support 8 byte money data types
TDS_DATA_MNY4	19	Support 4 byte money data types
TDS_DATA_DATE8	20	Support 8 byte date/time data types
TDS_DATA_DATE4	21	Support 4 byte date/time data types
TDS_DATA_FLT4	22	Support 4 byte floating point data types
TDS_DATA_FLT8	23	Support 8 byte floating point data types
TDS_DATA_NUM	24	Support numeric data types
TDS_DATA_TEXT	25	Support text data types
TDS_DATA_IMAGE	26	Support image data types

Table 7: TDS_CAP_REQUEST Capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_DATA_DEC	27	Support decimal data types
TDS_DATA_LCHAR	28	Support long variable length character data types
TDS_DATA_LBIN	29	Support long variable length binary data types.
TDS_DATA_INTN	30	Support NULL integers
TDS_DATA_DATETIMEN	31	Support NULL date/time
TDS_DATA_MONEYN	32	Support NULL money
TDS_CSR_PREV	33	Support fetch previous cursor commands
TDS_CSR_FIRST	34	Support fetch first row cursor commands
TDS_CSR_LAST	35	Support fetch last row cursor commands
TDS_CSR_ABS	36	Support fetch specified absolute row cursor commands
TDS_CSR_REL	37	Support fetch specified relative row cursor commands
TDS_CSR_MULTI	38	Support multi-row fetch cursor commands
TDS_CON_OOB	39	Support expedited attentions
TDS_CON_INBAND	40	Support non-expedited attentions
TDS_CON_LOGICAL	41	Support logical logout (not supported in this release)
TDS_PROTO_TEXT	42	Support tokenized text and image (not supported in this release)
TDS_PROTO_BULK	43	Support tokenized bulk copy (not supported this release)

Table 7: TDS_CAP_REQUEST Capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_REQ_URGEVT	44	Use new event notification protocol
TDS_DATA_SENSITIVITY	45	Support sensitivity security data types
TDS_DATA_BOUNDARY	46	Support boundary security data types
TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC	47	Use DESCIN/DESCOUT dynamic protocol
TDS_PROTO_DYNPROC	48	Pre-pend “create proc” to dynamic pre-prepare statements
TDS_DATA_FLTN	49	Support NULL floats
TDS_DATA_BITN	50	Support NULL bits
TDS_DATA_INT8	51	Support 8 byte integers
TDS_DATA_VOID	52	?
TDS_DOL_BULK	53	?
TDS_OBJECT_JAVA1	54	Support Serialized Java Objects
TDS_OBJECT_CHAR	55	Support Streaming character data
TDS_DATA_COLUMNSTATUS	56	Indicates that a one-byte status field proceeds any length or data (etc.) for every column within a row using TDS_ROW or TDS_PARAMS
TDS_OBJECT_BINARY	57	Streaming Binary data
RESERVED	58	Reserved for future use
TDS_WIDETABLE	59	The client may send requests using the CURDECLARE2, DYNAMIC2, PARAMFMT2 tokens.
RESERVED	60	Reserved
TDS_DATA_UINT2	61	Support for unsigned 2-byte integers

Table 7: TDS_CAP_REQUEST Capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_DATA_UINT4	62	Support for unsigned 4-byte integers
TDS_DATA_UINT8	63	Support for unsigned 8-byte integers
TDS_DATA_UINTN	64	Support for NULL unsigned integers
TDS_CUR_IMPLICIT	65	Support for TDS_CUR_DOPT_IMPLICIT cursor declare option.
TDS_DATA_NLBIN	66	Support for LONGBINARY data containing UTF-16 encoded data (usertypes 34 and 35)
TDS_IMAGE_NCHAR	67	Support for IMAGE data containing UTF-16 encoded data (usertype 36).
TDS_BLOB_NCHAR_16	68	Support for BLOB subtype 0x05 (uni-char) with serialization type 0.
TDS_BLOB_NCHAR_8	69	Support for BLOB subtype 0x05 (uni-char) with serialization type 1.
TDS_BLOB_NCHAR_SCU	70	Support for BLOB subtype 0x05 (uni-char) with serialization type 2.

Table 8: TDS_CAP_RESPONSE capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_RES_NOMSG	1	No support for TDS_MSG results
TDS_RES_NOEED	2	No support for TDS_EED token
TDS_RES_NOPARAM	3	No support for TDS_PARAM/TDS_PARAMFMT for return parameter. use TDS_RETURNVALUE to return parameters to this client.
TDS_DATA_NOINT1	4	No support for 1 byte integers

Table 8: TDS_CAP_RESPONSE capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_DATA_NOINT2	5	No support for 2 byte integers
TDS_DATA_NOINT4	6	No support for 4 byte integers
TDS_DATA_NOBIT	7	No support for bit data types
TDS_DATA_NOCHAR	8	No support for fixed length character data types
TDS_DATA_NOVCHAR	9	No support for variable length character data types
TDS_DATA_NOBIN	10	No support for fixed length binary data types
TDS_DATA_NOVBIN	11	No support for variable length binary data types
TDS_DATA_NOMNY8	12	No support for 8 byte money data types
TDS_DATA_NOMNY4	13	No support for 4 byte money data types
TDS_DATA_NODATE8	14	No support for 8 byte date/time data types
TDS_DATA_NODATE4	15	No support for 4 byte date/time data types
TDS_DATA_NOFLT4	16	No support for 4 byte float data types
TDS_DATA_NOFLT8	17	No support for 8 byte float data types
TDS_DATA_NONUM	18	No support for numeric data types
TDS_DATA_NOTEXT	19	No support for text data types
TDS_DATA_NOIMAGE	20	No support for image data types
TDS_DATA_NODEC	21	No support for decimal data types
TDS_DATA_NOLCHAR	22	No support for long variable length character data types

Table 8: TDS_CAP_RESPONSE capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_DATA_NOLBIN	23	No support for long variable length binary data types
TDS_DATA_INTN	24	No support for nullable integers
TDS_DATA_NODATETIMEN	25	No support for nullable date/time data types
TDS_DATA_NOMONEYN	26	No support for nullable money data types
TDS_CON_NOOOB	27	No support for expedited attentions
TDS_CON_NOINBAND	28	No support for non-expedited attentions
TDS_PROTO_NOTEXT	29	No support for tokenized text and image.
TDS_PROTO_NOBULK	30	No support for tokenized bulk copy
TDS_DATA_NOSENSITIVITY	31	No support for the security sensitivity data type
TDS_DATA_NOBOUNDARY	32	No support for the security boundary data type
TDS_RES_NOTDSDEBUG	33	No support for TDS_DEBUG token. Use image data instead.
TDS_RES_NOSTRIPBLANKS	34	Do not strip blank from fixed length character data
TDS_DATA_NOINT8	35	No support for 8 byte integers
TDS_OBJECT_NOJAVA1	36	No Support Serialized Java Objects
TDS_OBJECT_NOCHAR	37	No Support Streaming character data
TDS_DATA_NOZEROLEN	38	No Support for 0-length non-null strings
TDS_OBJECT_NOBINARY	39	No Streaming Binary data
	40	Reserved for future use

Table 8: TDS_CAP_RESPONSE capabilities

Name	Value	Description
TDS_DATA_NOUINT2	41	No Support for unsigned 2-byte integers
TDS_DATA_NOUINT4	42	No Support for unsigned 4-byte integers
TDS_DATA_NOUINT8	43	No Support for unsigned 8-byte integers
TDS_DATA_NOUINTN	44	No Support for NULL unsigned integers
TDS_NO_WIDETABLES	45	Client cannot process the ORDERBY2, PARAMFMT2, and ROWFMT2 tokens required to support tables with a LARGE number of columns. The server should not send them.
TDS_DATA_NONLBIN	46	No Support for LONGBINARY data containing UTF-16 encoded data (usertypes 34 and 35)
TDS_IMAGE_NONCHAR	47	No Support for IMAGE data containing UTF-16 encoded data (usertype 36).
TDS_BLOB_NONCHAR_16	48	No Support for BLOB subtype 0x05/0.
TDS_BLOB_NONCHAR_8	49	No Support for BLOB subtype 0x05/1.
TDS_BLOB_NONCHAR_SCSU	50	No Support for BLOB subtype 0x05/2.

See Also**TDS_OPTIONCMD**

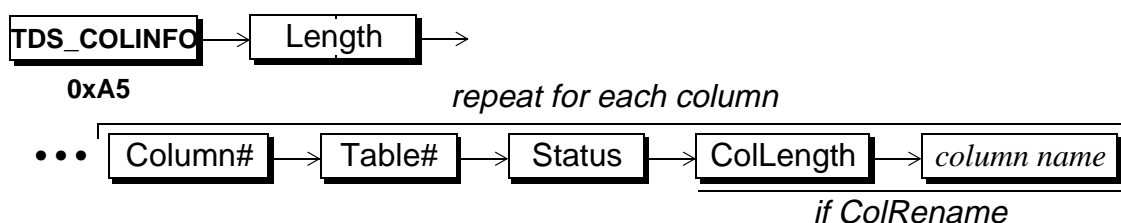
TDS_COLINFO

Function

The data stream used to provide column information for browse mode.

NOTE the select list for a SELECT WITH BROWSE must not contain > 255 columns.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_COLINFO

This token indicates that this is a data stream containing information about columns involved in a **select with browse mode**.

Length

This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_COLINFO** data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Column#

This is the number of the column in the **select** target list to which the column information applies. The number of the first column is 1. **Column#** is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

Table#

This is the number of the table from which the column comes. The tables names are listed in the **TDS_TABNAME** data stream which precedes the **TDS_COLINFO** data stream. The first table in the **TDS_TABNAME** data stream is 1. **Table#** is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

Status This one-byte, unsigned integer is the status of the current column being described. Every column in the **select** target list is described in the **TDS_COLINFO** data stream.

Table 9: TDS_COLINFO status values

Status Name	Status Value	Description
TDS_STAT_EXPR	0x04	This column is the result of an SQL expression and not an actual column in the underlying table
TDS_STAT_KEY	0x08	The column is part of the row key. It does not have to be part of the select target list.
TDS_STAT_HIDDEN	0x10	This column was not in the select target list. It is usually not made visible to the client application by the client library. However, it was passed to the client because it is part of the row key. Hidden columns are always key columns.
TDS_STAT_RENAME	0x20	The column name returned for this column in the select target list (described in the TDS_ROWFMF data stream) is not the column's name in the table. For example, in the statement " select orderdate = date from order ", the real column name is "date" but the name returned in the TDS_ROWFMF data stream was "orderdate". If the column status is TDS_STAT_RENAME , the real column name is in the next two arguments of the TDS_COLINFO data stream.

ColLength This is the length of the column's real name. Note that this field and the following column name field will appear only if the preceding Status field has **TDS_STAT_RENAME** set. This argument is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

column name This is the column's real name. Its length, in bytes, is given by the ColLength argument. The *columnname* only exists if ColLength is greater than 0.

Comments

- When browse mode is used on a select statement, the server sends back information about the tables and columns involved. With this information, the client library can build a qualification clause for any subsequent update or delete statements.
- All columns needed to make a unique key for a row are returned to the client library. Some of the returned columns may not exist in the select statement's target list. Columns not in the target list are hidden columns. They are usually not returned to the client application by the client library.
- Information for every column in the select list as well as hidden key columns is included in the **TDS_COLINFO** data stream.
- The column name and column name length fields are included only if Status is **TDS_STAT_RENAME**.
- This data stream is always preceded by a **TDS_TABNAME** data stream.
- This data stream is used only for browse mode.
- Browse mode functionality has been replaced by System 10 cursor support. New applications are encourage to use cursors instead of browse mode queries.
- Because the Column# field is only 1 byte wide, this token cannot correctly describe "for browse" results with > 255 columns.

Examples

See Also

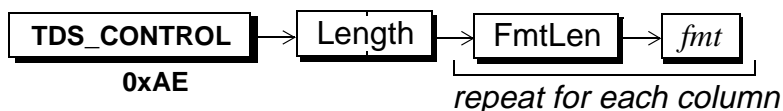
TDS_TABNAME, TDS_ROWFORMAT

TDS_CONTROL

Function

Describes the user control or format information for columns.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_CONTROL This token indicates that this is a data stream containing control information.

Length This is the total length, in bytes, of the remaining data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

FmtLen This the length, in bytes, of the control information that follows. This is an unsigned one-byte argument.

fmt This is the actual control information for a column. Its length is **FmtLen**. If **FmtLen** is 0, this argument doesn't exist in the data stream. The *fmt* field is treated as a binary byte string. There is no character set conversion performed on this argument.

Comments

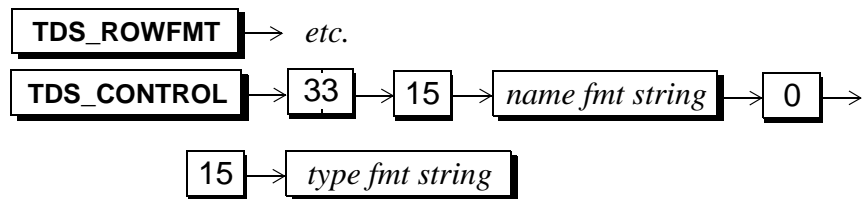
- This data stream is used to tell the client about any user-defined format information for columns. It is used to support a facility in Transact-SQL that allows arbitrary, user-defined information to be associated with **select** target-list columns and then returned to the client.
- The SQL Server option control must be on for a server to return **TDS_CONTROL** data streams.
- This feature is used internally by some Sybase front-end applications. However, it is fairly obscure and normally unused by most customer applications.

Examples

The client sends the following query:

```
select name, id, type from sysobjects  
controlrow 0 "name fmt string", "", "type fmt string"
```

The data stream from the server is:



See Also

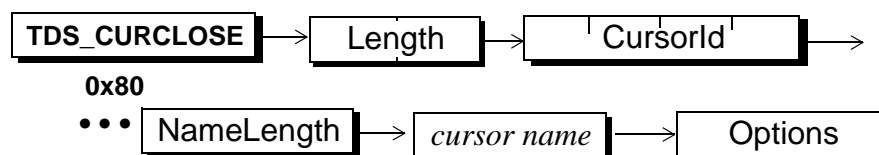
TDS_ROW_FMT

TDS_CURCLOSE

Function

Describes the cursor close data stream.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_CURCLOSE

This is the token for a client request to close a cursor.

Length

This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_CURCLOSE** data stream. It is a two-byte unsigned integer.

CursorId

Cursor id of cursor that is being closed. If **CursorId** is 0 the cursor is being closed by name. This is a four-byte unsigned integer.

NameLength

This is the length of the *cursor name*. It is a one-byte unsigned integer and must be > 0 and <= **TDS_MAX_NAME**. **NameLength** and *cursor name* are only included if **CursorId** is equal to 0.

cursor name

This is the name of the cursor. The length of this field is in the **NameLength** argument.

Options

These are the options associated with this cursor close. The value values for this argument are:

Table 10: Cursor close options

Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_COPT_UNUSED	0x00	No close options.

Table 10: Cursor close options

Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_COPT_DEALLOC	0x01	Close and de-allocate the cursor. The cursor must be re-declared before it can be reopened.

Comments

- This is the data stream generated by a client when a close cursor request is sent to a server.
- A **TDS_CURCLOSE** token can only be sent for a cursor following **TDS_CURDECLARE** and **TDS_CUROPEN** tokens.
- The cursor to close is identified in the **TDS_CURCLOSE** token.
- Multiple **TDS_CURCLOSE** data streams may be sent in the same request.
- The **TDS_CURCLOSE** token is acknowledged with a **TDS_CURINFO** token.
- Two **TDS_CURCLOSE** tokens can only be sent for the same cursor if the first one sent does not have the Option argument set to **TDS_CUR_COPT_DEALLOC**.

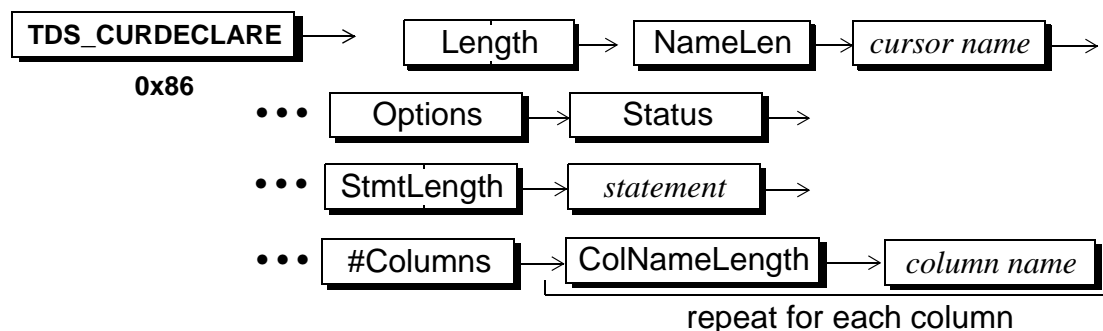
Examples**See Also****TDS_CUROPEN, TDS_CURDECLARE**

TDS_CURDECLARE

Function

Describes the data stream for declaring a cursor.

Syntax



Arguments

- TDS_CURDECLARE** This token indicates that this is a data stream containing a client cursor request to declare a cursor.
- Length** This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_CURDECLARE** data stream. It is a two-byte unsigned integer.
- NameLength** This is the length of the *cursor name*. It is a one-byte unsigned integer and must be > 0 and <= **TDS_MAXNAME (30)**.
- cursor name* This is the name of the cursor.
- Options** These are the cursor declare options. This is a one-byte unsigned integer.

Table 11: Cursor option values

Option Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_DOPT_UNUSED	0x00	No options associated with this cursor.

Table 11: Cursor option values

Option Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_DOPT_RDONLY	0x01	This cursor is read only.
TDS_CUR_DOPT_UPDATABLE	0x02	Updates can be performed with this cursor.
TDS_CUR_DOPT_DYNAMIC	0x08	This cursor is being declared against a dynamically prepared statement.
TDS_CUR_DOPT_IMPLICIT	0x10	This cursor is implicitly read-only, automatically fetches first set of rows on the CUROPEN, and automatically closes after the last row is fetched. This option should not be specified unless the TDS_CUR_IMPLICIT request capability is set.

Status

This is the cursor declare status argument. It is a one-byte unsigned integer.

Table 12: Cursor Declare Status

Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_DSTAT_UNUSED	0x00	No status associated with this cursor declare.
TDS_CUR_DSTAT_HASARGS	0x01	The cursor declare statement is followed by parameters.

StmtLength

This is the total length of the following **SELECT** statement associated with this cursor. It is a 2-byte unsigned integer. Please note that since the total **TDS_CURDECLARE** data stream Length may be no greater than 64k-1, StmtLength can never be a full 64k-1. The maximum size of StmtLength depends on the length of the cursor name and the number and length of any update columns.

statement This is the actual text of the cursor, without the **DECLARE CURSOR** or **FOR {READ ONLY | UPDATE}** clauses. For example, in the following full ANSI cursor declaration, only the words in italics would be the statement argument.

```
DECLARE CURSOR csr1 FOR  
SELECT a, b FROM tab1  
WHERE a < 12 AND b > 15  
FOR UPDATE OF a
```

#Columns When a cursor is declared **FOR UPDATE**, the update columns may be specified. This argument identifies the number of columns specified for update. If this number is > 0, the column (or columns) name length and name follow. This argument is a one-byte unsigned integer. This argument is optional. If its value is 0 then the following arguments are omitted.

NameLength When a cursor is declared **FOR UPDATE**, the columns that may be updated can be specified. This, and the following, argument are repeated for each column specified for update. If the previous argument, **#Columns**, is 0, this argument and the following argument will not be included. Columns are represented by their column name length and column name in the **SELECT** list. This parameter is a one-byte unsigned integer.

column name This is the name of the column optionally described in the **FOR UPDATE** clause. Its length is described by the **NameLength** argument.

Comments

- This is the data stream generated by a client to declare a cursor.
- If the **TDS_CURDECLARE** is successful, the client's and server's notion of the current cursor context is changed to be the new cursor. The cursor id assigned by the server for the new cursor will be returned to the client in the **TDS_CURINFO** data stream that acknowledges the cursor declare.
- **#Columns** refers to the columns mentioned in the ANSI SQL "**FOR UPDATE OF** <column name list>" clause.

- `statement` should not contain the “**DECLARE** <cursor name> **CURSOR FOR**” clause of a cursor declaration but under the following conditions the Server will report back to the client the **READONLY** or **UPDATABILITY** through **CURINFO** tokens.
 - If #Columns is 0 then the statement may contain the “**UPDATE [OF** <column name list>]” clause.
 - If Option is **not TDS_CUR_DOPT_RDONLY**, then the statement may contain the “**FOR READ ONLY**” clause.
- Information about the cursor is returned to the client in the **TDS_CURINFO** data stream once the server has received a **declare cursor** token, via cursor command.
- If the declare is successful, the **TDS_ROWFMt** data stream describing the results will be returned to the client at cursor open time. The **TDS_ROWFMt** data stream for the results will not be returned at declare cursor time.
- A cursor declare statement may be parameterized. If so, the description of the parameters using a **TDS_PARAMFMt** data stream must follow the **TDS_CURDECLARE** data stream. When the cursor is opened, the parameter values must be passed to the server with a **TDS_PARAMS** data stream following the **TDS_CUOPEN** data stream. Parameterized declare statements are indicated by a Status of **TDS_CUR_DSTAT_HASARGS**.
- The **TDS_CURDECLARE** token can be sent with a **TDS_CUOPEN** and **TDS_CURFETCH** token in the same request. The server will acknowledge each token with a **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_DONE(MORE)**, except for the final token (**TDS_CURFETCH**) which is acknowledged with a **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_DONE(FINAL)**.

Examples

See Also

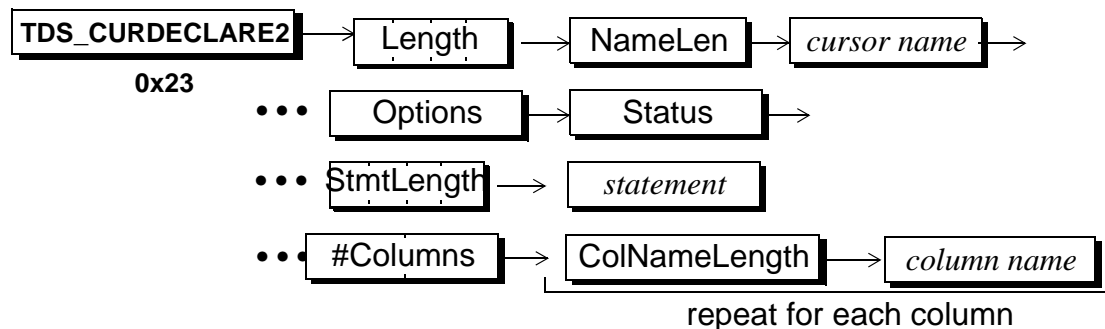
TDS_CURDECLARE2, TDS_CUOPEN, TDS_CURINFO, TDS_CURFETCH

TDS_CURDECLARE2

Function

Describes the data stream for declaring a cursor. It serves an identical purpose to TDS_CURDECLARE, but has been widened to support more columns.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_CURDECLARE2 This token indicates that this is a data stream containing a client cursor request to declare a cursor.

Length This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_CURDECLARE2** data stream. It is a four-byte unsigned integer.

NameLength This is the length of the *cursor name*. It is a one-byte unsigned integer and must be > 0 and <= **TDS_MAXNAME (30)**.

cursor name This is the name of the cursor.

Options These are the cursor declare options. This is a one-byte unsigned integer. Option values are described in the TDS_CURDECLARE section.

Status This is the cursor declare status argument. It is a one-byte unsigned integer.

StmtLength This is the total length of the following **SELECT** statement associated with this cursor. It is a 4-byte unsigned integer.

statement This is the actual text of the cursor, without the **DECLARE CURSOR** or **FOR {READ ONLY | UPDATE}** clauses. For example, in the following full ANSI cursor declaration, only the words in italics would be the statement argument.

```
DECLARE CURSOR csr1 FOR  
SELECT a, b FROM tab1  
WHERE a < 12 AND b > 15  
FOR UPDATE OF a
```

#Columns When a cursor is declared **FOR UPDATE**, the update columns may be specified. This argument identifies the number of columns specified for update. If this number is > 0, the column (or columns) name length and name follow. This argument is a two-byte unsigned integer. This argument is optional. If its value is 0 then the following arguments are omitted.

NameLength When a cursor is declared **FOR UPDATE**, the columns that may be updated can be specified. This, and the following, argument are repeated for each column specified for update. If the previous argument, **#Columns**, is 0, this argument and the following argument will not be included. Columns are represented by their column name length and column name in the **SELECT** list. This parameter is a one-byte unsigned integer.

column name This is the name of the column optionally described in the **FOR UPDATE** clause. Its length is described by the **NameLength** argument.

Comments

- Read comments in the TDS_CURDECLARE section.

Examples**See Also**

TDS_CURDECLARE, TDS_CUOPEN, TDS_CURINFO, TDS_CURFETCH

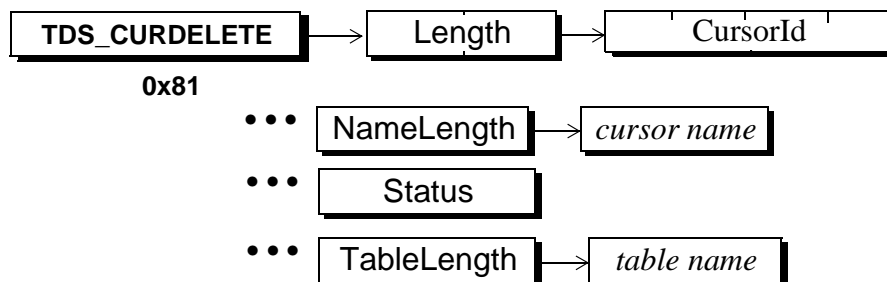
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TDS_CURDELETE

Function

Describes the data stream for deleting a row through a cursor.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_CURDELETE

This is the data stream command token for a client request to **delete** through a cursor.

Length

This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_CURDELETE** data stream. It is a two byte unsigned integer.

CursorId

This is the internal identifier for the cursor. If **CursorId** is 0 it means that the cursor on which to perform the delete is identified by name using the **NameLength** and *cursor name* arguments. This argument is a four byte, unsigned integer.

Name Length

This is the length of the *cursor name*. It is a one-byte unsigned integer and must be > 0 and <= **TDS_MAX_NAME(30)**. This part of the data stream is only included if **CursorId** is equal to 0.

cursor name

This is the name of the cursor.

Status

This is status information associated with the cursor delete.
This argument is a one-byte unsigned integer. It has the following values:

Table 13: Cursor Delete Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_DELSTAT_UNUSED	0x00	No status associated with the cursor delete.

TableLength

This is the length of the table name which follows. It is a one byte unsigned integer.

table name

This is the name of the table to which the **delete** applies. It may be a compound name such as “site.db.owner.table”. It should be the same table reference as used in the **declare cursor**.

Comments

- This is the data stream generated by the client when a **delete cursor** command is sent to the server.
- The cursor to which the **TDS_CURDELETE** refers is identified in the **TDS_CURDELETE** data stream.
- When a **TDS_CURDELETE** data stream is sent to the server, it is always followed by a **TDS_KEY** data stream. The **TDS_KEY** data stream defines to the server what the client’s current row is.
- A **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_DONE** is returned on a successful delete.
- A **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_EED**, **TDS_DONE** is returned on a version mismatch.
- A **TDS_EED**, **TDS_DONE** is returned for a key mismatch.

Examples

See Also

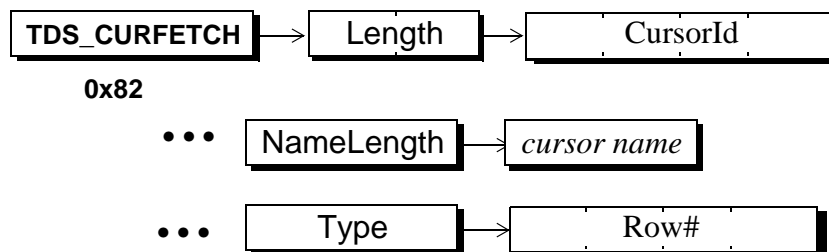
TDS_CURUPDATE, TDS_CURDECLARE, TDS_CUOPEN, TDS_KEY

TDS_CURFETCH

Function

Describes the data stream for sending a fetch command to a server.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_CURFETCH This is the data stream command token that indicates that this is a data stream containing a client cursor request for a **cursor fetch**.

Length This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_CURFETCH** data stream. It is a two byte unsigned integer.

CursorId This is the internal cursor identifier for this cursor. It is a four-byte unsigned integer.

NameLength This is the length of the *cursor name*. It is a one byte unsigned integer and must be > 0 and <= **TDS_MAXNAME (30)**. **NameLength** is only included if **CursorId** is equal to 0.

cursor name This is the name of the cursor. Its length is **NameLength**

Type

This argument defines the row that should be returned for this fetch. If cursor scrolling is not supported by a server (determined using capabilities), then **Type** must always be **TDS_CUR_NEXT**. **Type** is an unsigned, one byte integer and its possible values are:

Table 14: Cursor fetch types

Type Names	Value	Row# Sent?	Description
TDS_CUR_NEXT	1	No	Return next row from table.
TDS_CUR_PREV	2	No	Return previous row from table.
TDS_CUR_FIRST	3	No	Return first row from table.
TDS_CUR_LAST	4	No	Return last row from table.
TDS_CUR_ABS	5	Yes	Return row at position specified in Row#. The first row in a table is 1. Row# equal to 0 indicates the current row. Row# must be ≥ 0 .
TDS_CUR_REL	6	Yes	Return row at current position plus Row#. Row# can be positive or negative.

row #

This is a signed, four-byte integer which indicates the row position. This argument is optional and is only included in the data stream as indicated in the table above.

cursor name

This is the name of the cursor.

Comments

- This is the data stream generated by a client when a **fetch cursor** request is sent to a server.
- The number of rows that are returned on a **fetch cursor** are determined by the cursor fetch count set using the **TDS_CURINFO** token.
- The cursor to which the **TDS_CURFETCH** refers is identified in the **TDS_CURFETCH** token.
- If scrolling is not supported by the server, the **Type** argument must be **TDS_CUR_NEXT**.

- The *row #* argument is only in the data stream when **Type** is **TDS_CUR_ABS** or **TDS_CUR_REL**.
- If the cursor is up-datable, the cursor key is imbedded in the **TDS_ROW** that is returned. Please see **TDS_ROW_FMT** for a description of the cursor key.
- **TDS_FETCH** tokens are responded to with row results and a **TDS_DONE**.
- The **TDS_CURFETCH** token can be sent by a client with a **TDS_CURDECLARE** and **TDS_CUROPEN** in the same request. A server will acknowledge the **TDS_CURDECLARE** and **TDS_CUROPEN** tokens with a **TDS_CURINFO** and a **TDS_DONE(MORE)**. The **TDS_CURFETCH** will be acknowledged with the row results and a **TDS_DONE(FINAL)**.

Examples

See Also

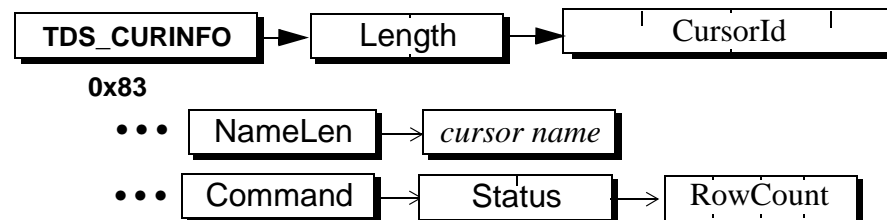
TDS_CURDECLARE, TDS_CUROPEN, TDS_CURINFO

TDS_CURINFO

Function

The data stream for describing cursor characteristics and state.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_CURINFO

This is the data stream token that indicates that this is a data stream containing a description of a cursor.

Length

This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_CURINFO** data stream. It is a two-byte unsigned integer.

CursorId

This is the internal identifier for a cursor. The **CursorId** is always set by the server that is managing the cursor. It is never assigned by a client. This argument is a four-byte, signed integer.

NameLength

This is the length of the following *cursor name*. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer. This argument only appears if **CursorId** is 0.

cursor name

This is the cursor name for this cursor. The argument only appears if there is a **NameLength** parameter in the data stream. Its length is in **NameLength**.

Command

This is the command associated with the **TDS_CURINFO** token.

Table 15: TDS_CURINFO Commands

Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_CMD_SETCURROWS	1	Set the fetch count.
TDS_CUR_CMD_INQUIRE	2	Ask status of a cursor.
TDS_CUR_CMD_INFORM	3	Report status of a cursor.
TDS_CUR_CMD_LISTALL	4	Report status of all open cursors.

Status

This argument describes the status of the cursor. This argument is a two-byte, unsigned integer. The possible values are:

Table 16: Valid Cursor Status

Option Names	Values	Description
TDS_CUR_ISTAT_UNUSED	0x0000	The option argument is unused.
TDS_CUR_ISTAT_DECLARED	0x0001	The specified cursor has been declared.
TDS_CUR_ISTAT_OPEN	0x0002	The specified cursor is open.
TDS_CUR_ISTAT_CLOSED	0x0004	The specified cursor is closed.
TDS_CUR_ISTAT_RDONLY	0x0008	The specified cursor is read-only. Any update or delete statements against this cursor are illegal.
TDS_CUR_ISTAT_UPDATABLE	0x0010	The specified cursor is updatable. Update and delete statements may be issued against this cursor.
TDS_CUR_ISTAT_ROWCNT	0x0020	The rowcount argument is valid. This TDS_CURINFO command is setting the current row fetch count.
TDS_CUR_ISTAT_DEALLOC	0x0040	The specified cursor has been deallocated. It cannot be opened unless it is declared again.

row count

This describes how many rows will be returned for a cursor **fetch**. It is a four-byte signed integer.

Comments

- This data stream is used for two purposes. It is used to communicate changes in the state of a cursor. It is also used to set the current cursor context.
- This data stream is used to set the “current cursor”. This is required because there can be multiple open cursors on a single client server dialog. The **TDS_CURINFO** is used to coordinate commands and responses with a particular cursor.

- The **TDS_CURINFO** token is used by servers to return the assigned cursor id after a cursor has been declared.
- This data stream is first returned to a client when the cursor is **declared**. It is also returned to the client if the number of rows per **fetch** is changed.
- If Command is **TDS_CUR_CMD_LISTALL** the CursorId must be 0.
- NameLength and CursorName are optional. They are only in the data stream if CursorId is 0.
- RowCount is optional. It is only present if the Length argument after subtracting out the lengths of the other arguments is 4. (It was initially specified that this field would be present if and only if the **TDS_CUR_ISTAT_ROWCNT** bit was set. Open Client was not coded to this requirement, thus we are left with this silly subtraction technique.)
- Returning a RowCount equal to 0 is illegal.
- It is illegal to set the **TDS_CUR_ISTAT_ROWCNT** Status with the **TDS_CUR_CMD_INQUIRE** and **TDS_CUR_CMD_LISTALL** commands.
- Language based cursors do not cause **TDS_CURINFO** tokens to be sent.
- A client requests the status of a specified cursor using the **TDS_CUR_INQUIRE** command with CursorId set to the identifier of the cursor the client wants information on. The server responds with the **TDS_CUR_CMD_INFORM** Command and the status bits set appropriately for the cursor identifier identified in the CursorId argument. NOTE: This command is not currently supported in any Sybase products.
- A client can request the status of all active cursor using the **TDS_CUR_CMD_LISTALL** Command. When a server receives this Command it returns a **TDS_CUR_CMD_INFORM** Command for all active cursors on the dialog.
- A server will acknowledge the **TDS_CUR_CMD_SETCURROWS** Command with a **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_DONE**. If the requested row count is invalid the server will respond with a **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_EED**, **TDS_DONE**.

Examples

See Also

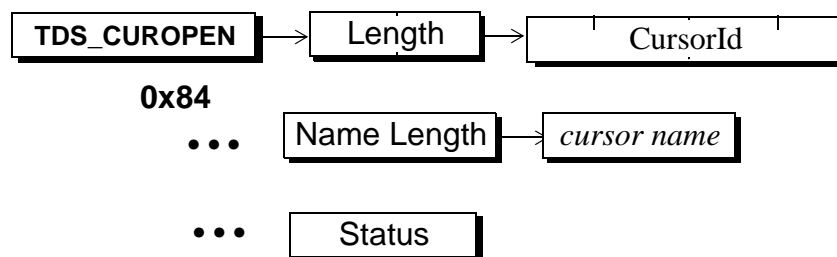
TDS_CURDECLARE, **TDS_CUOPEN**

TDS_CUROPEN

Function

Describes the cursor open data stream.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_CUROPEN This is the data stream token for a client request to open a cursor.

Length This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_CUROPEN** data stream. It is a two byte unsigned integer.

CursorId This is the internal identifier for the cursor. If **CursorId** is 0 it means that the cursor being opened is identified by name using the **NameLength** and *cursor name* arguments. This argument is a four byte, unsigned integer.

NameLength This is the length of the *cursor name*. It is a one byte unsigned integer and must be > 0 and <= **TDS_MAXNAME**. This part of the data stream is only included if **CursorId** is equal to 0.

cursor name This is the name of the cursor. It is **NameLength** bytes long.

Status

This argument contains status associated with the cursor open command. This argument is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

Table 17: Cursor Open Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_OSTAT_UNUSED	0x00	This open command has no status.
TDS_CUR_OSTAT_HASARGS	0x01	Data for arguments associated with the cursor declare statement following the cursor open command in a TDS_PARAM data stream.

Comments

- This is the data stream generated by a client when a **open cursor** command is sent to a server.
- The cursor to open is identified in the **TDS_CUOPEN** data stream.
- A cursor must have been declared using **TDS_CURDECLARE** before it can be opened.
- The description of the cursor results, if any, are returned to the client using a **TDS_ROWfmt** data stream at cursor open time.
- A **TDS_CURDECLARE**, **TDS_CUOPEN** and **TDS_CURFETCH** can be sent in the same request if they all refer to the same cursor.
- A cursor declare statement may be parameterized. If it is, the description of the parameters is passed to the server using a **TDS_PARAMfmt** data stream following the **TDS_CURDECLARE** data stream. When the cursor is opened, the parameter values must be passed to the server with a **TDS_PARAMS** data stream following the **TDS_CUOPEN** data stream. The **TDS_CUR_OSTAT_HASARGS** status must be set in this case.
- Both a **TDS_PARAMfmt** and **TDS_PARAMS** data streams can follow a **TDS_CUOPEN**. This allows conversion to occur between the parameters specified at declare time and the actual parameters provided at open time.
- A server responds with a **TDS_CURINFO** and **TDS_ROWfmt** on success. The **TDS_CURINFO** must come before the **TDS_ROWfmt**.

- A client must be able to accept a **TDS_EED** token at any time during the server response to the **TDS_CUROPEN**.
- The **TDS_CUROPEN** token can be sent by a client with a **TDS_CURDECLARE** and **TDS_CURFETCH** in the same request. A server will acknowledge the **TDS_CURDECLARE** and **TDS_CUROPEN** tokens with a **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_DONE(MORE)**, and the **TDS_CURFETCH** with the rows and a **TDS_DONE(FINAL)**.

Examples

See Also

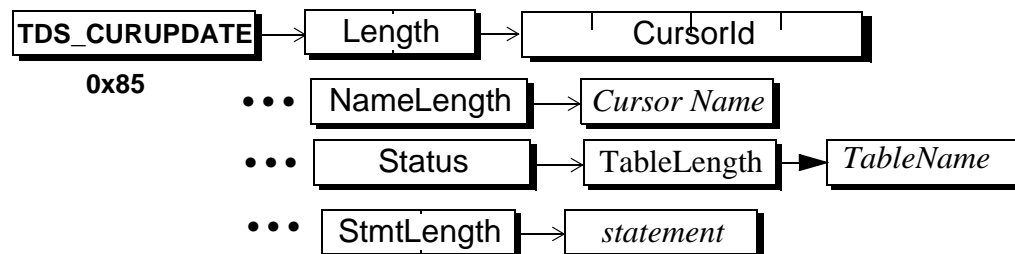
TDS_CURDECLARE, **TDS_ROWFMt**, **TDS_PARAMFMt**, **TDS_PARAMS**,
TDS_CURCLOSE, **TDS_CURFETCH**

TDS_CURUPDATE

Function

Describes the data stream for updating a row through a cursor.

Syntax



Arguments

- TDS_CURUPDATE** This is the data stream token for an update through a cursor.
- Length** This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_CURUPDATE** data stream. It is a two byte unsigned integer.
- CursorId** This is the internal identifier for the cursor. If **CursorId** is 0 it means that the cursor being fetched is identified by name using the **NameLength** and *cursor name* arguments. This argument is a four byte, unsigned integer
- NameLength** This is the length of the cursor name which follows. It is a one byte unsigned integer.
- cursor name* This is the name of the cursor to which the update applies.

Status

This is the status information associated with this cursor update. This argument is a one-byte unsigned integer. It can have the following values:

Table 18: Cursor Update Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_CUR_OSTAT_UNUSD	0x00	Status field is unused
TDS_CUR_OSTAT_HASARGS	0x01	Parameters follow the cursor update token
TDS_CUR_CONSEC_UPDS	0x02	Consecutive cursor updates are occurring on this cursor.

TableLength

Length of table name that follows. If this argument is 0, no table name follows. This argument is a one-byte unsigned integer.

table name

This is the name of the table to which the update applies. It may be a compound name such as “site.db.owner.table”. It should be the same table reference as used in the declare cursor statement.

StmtLength

Used in the language option case, this is the total length of the following set clause statement. It is a two-byte unsigned integer. This argument is optional.

statement

Used in the language option case, this is the actual text of the **SET** clause in the update cursor statement, without the **UPDATE table** or **WHERE CURRENT OF** clauses. Unlike the binary option, the values in the **SET** clause need not be constants.

Comments

- This is the data stream generated by the client when an update cursor command is sent to a server.
- The cursor to which the **TDS_CURUPDATE** refers is the one that is current, according to the last **TDS_CURINFO** or **TDS_CURDECLARE** data stream received by the server.

- An update cursor data stream is optionally followed by a **TDS_KEY** data stream which defines the cursor key for the client's "current" row. No **TDS_ROWFMF** data stream is sent to the server with the **TDS_KEY** data stream.
- If a new key is generated by an update, the new key will be returned to the client by sending a **TDS_ROWFMF** and **TDS_KEY** data stream, describing the new key, before the **TDS_DONE** data stream acknowledging the update.
- The server always returns a **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_DONE** on a successful update.
- The server will return a **TDS_CURINFO**, **TDS_EED**, **TDS_DONE** on a version mismatch.
- The server will return **TDS_EED**, **TDS_DONE** on a key mismatch.

Examples

See Also

TDS_CURDELETE, **TDS_CURDECLARE**, **TDS_KEY**, **TDS_ROWFMF**

TDS Datatypes

Description

This is a complete description of how all data types are represented using TDS. the data type is defined using the **TDS_ROW_FMT**, **TDS_ALTFMT**, or **TDS_PARAM_FMT** data streams for rows, compute rows, and parameter data respectively. The actual data is sent using a **TDS_ROW**, **TDS_ALTRW**, or **TDS_PARAMS** data stream.

Length information is sent with variable length and nullable datatypes. Fixed length datatypes do not contain a length argument.

The length information sent in a format data stream indicates the maximum length of this datatype. The length information sent with the data is the actual length of the specific datatype being sent.

If the **TDS_DATA_COLUMNSTATUS** request capability is enabled, then all datatype representations begin with a **status** byte. Status field meanings are

Table 19: Status bit meanings

Bit Mask	Meaning if the bit is set
0x01	No Data follows, the value is NULL
0x02	This data value is corrupted due to Overflow/Underflow
0x04	This data value has been truncated or rounded.
0xF8	Reserved for future use.
Combined	Interpretation for combinations of these 3 bits
000b	Standard data, getXXX returns value that follows
001b	NULL, isNull returns true
011b	Overflow/underflow exception, isNull returns true
100b	Truncated/rounded, getXXX returns value that follows (A truncation warning is raised)
Any other	Not valid, communication exception

defined in *Table 19: Status bit meanings*.

If the **TDS_DATA_COLUMNSTATUS** capability is off, this status byte is never present. In this situation *Table 20: Datatype Summary* indicates which datatypes have a Length field. Only those datatypes can convey SQL NULL by having a length of 0.

TDS presentation conversion is server makes right. This means that the server is always responsible for performing any required conversions. Presentation conversion is performed for the following cases:

- Character set conversions for character and text datatypes.
- Numeric conversions for float, decimal, and numeric datatypes between the client's local representation and the server's.

- Date and time conversions between a client's local representation and the server's.
- Byte ordering conversions for length fields and integer datatypes.

Each of the datatypes has a request and a response capability associated with it. If the request capability bit is set after login then it is OK for the client to send parameters of that type to the server. If the response capability NOXXX is clear then it is OK for the server to send this datatype to the client (in rows, parameters, etc.). If the NOXXX response capability is set, then the server may not send this datatype. The server may convert the datatype to another which the client does accept, or may raise an error indicating that a response could not be returned due to client datatype restrictions. For example, if the server is returning rows from an unsigned short column and the client doesn't support UINT2 or UINTN datatypes, then the server may choose to convert each row to an INT4 or INTN(4) to preserve the value, or may raise an error.

A brief description of all datatypes supported by TDS is in the table below. The syntax of their data streams is in the Syntax section below.

Table 20: Datatype Summary

Datatype Name	Value	Fixed Length?	Nullable?	Converted?	Description
TDS_BINARY	0x2D	Yes	No	No	Binary
TDS_BIT	0x32	Yes	No	No	Bit
TDS_CHAR	0x2F	Yes	No	Yes	Character
TDS_DATETIME	0x3D	Yes	No	Yes	Date/time
TDS_SHORTDATE	0x3A	Yes	No	Yes	Date/time
TDS_DATETIMEN	0x6F	No	Yes	Yes	Date/time
TDS_DECN	0x6A	No	Yes	Yes	Decimal
TDS_FLT4	0x3B	Yes	No	Yes	Float
TDS_FLT8	0x3E	Yes	No	Yes	Float
TDS_FLTN	0x6D	No	Yes	Yes	Float

Table 20: Datatype Summary

Datatype Name	Value	Fixed Length?	Nullable?	Converted?	Description
TDS_IMAGE	0x22	No	Yes	No	Image
TDS_INT1	0x30	Yes	No	No	Integer
TDS_INT2	0x34	Yes	No	Yes	Integer
TDS_INT4	0x38	Yes	No	Yes	Integer
TDS_INTN	0x26	No	Yes	Yes	Integer
TDS_UINT1	0x40	Yes	No	No	Unsigned Integer
TDS_UINT2	0x41	Yes	No	Yes	Unsigned Integer
TDS_UINT4	0x42	Yes	No	Yes	Unsigned Integer
TDS_UINT8	0x43	Yes	No	Yes	Unsigned Integer
TDS_UINTN	0x44	No	Yes	Yes	Unsigned Integer
TDS_LONGBINARY	0xE1	No	Yes	No	Binary
TDS_LONGCHAR	0xAF	No	Yes	Yes	Character
TDS_MONEY	0x3C	Yes	No	Yes	Money
TDS_SHORTMONEY	0x7A	Yes	No	Yes	Money
TDS_MONEYN	0x6E	No	Yes	Yes	Money
TDS_NUMN	0x6C	No	Yes	Yes	Numeric
TDS_TEXT	0x23	No	Yes	Yes	Text
TDS_VARBINARY	0x25	No	Yes	No	Binary
TDS_SENSITIVITY	0x67	No	Yes	Yes	Sensitivity
TDS_BOUNDARY	0x68	No	Yes	Yes	Boundary
TDS_VARCHAR	0x27	No	Yes	Yes	Character

Table 20: Datatype Summary

Datatype Name	Value	Fixed Length?	Nullable?	Converted?	Description
TDS_BLOB	0x24	No	Yes	No	Serialized Object
TDS_VOID	0x1f	N/A	N/A	N/A	Void (unknown)

Usertypes

Some TDS datatypes are used to carry more than one SQL datatype. For example, in SQL the BINARY(30) datatype is different from the VARBINARY(30) in that a BINARY is always logically 30-bytes long - it is NULL-padded to 30 bytes if < 30 bytes are contained in the corresponding **TDS_BINARY** value. A VARBINARY is a varying-length datatype, it has no implied trailing NULLs. Though the data representation for both is the same, clients and servers at either end of TDS may need to determine what sort of SQL type a given TDS_BINARY value corresponds to for proper semantic processing. We use the **usertype** field of the format (ROWFMT, PARAMFMT, ALTFMT) to distinguish among the SQL datatypes. Table *Table 21: USERTYPE mappings* lists the mappings used. To complete the example, suppose a client receives a TDS_BINARY data value with a length of 10. If the format.usertype indicates it needs to determine whether

Table 21: USERTYPE mappings

TDS Datatype	SQL Datatype	Usertype	Comment
TDS_VARCHAR	char	1	blank pad to the length in the format
TDS_VARCHAR	varchar	2	
TDS_BINARY	binary	3	null pad to the length in the format
TDS_BINARY	varbinary	4	
TDS_INTN	tinyint	5	
TDS_INTN	smallint	6	
TDS_INTN	int	7	

Table 21: USERTYPE mappings

TDS Datatype	SQL Datatype	Usertype	Comment
TDS_FLTN	float	8	
TDS_NUMERIC	numeric	10	
TDS_MONEYN	money	11	
TDS_DATETIMEN	datetime	12	
TDS_INTN	intn	13	
TDS_FLTN	floatn	14	
TDS_DATETIMN	datetimn	15	
TDS_BIT	bit	16	
TDS_MONEYN	moneyn	17	
TDS_VARCHAR	sysname	18	Internal ASE datatype
TDS_TEXT	text	19	
TDS_IMAGE	image	20	
TDS_MONEYN	smallmoney	21	
TDS_DATETIMN	smalldatetime	22	
TDS_FLTN	real	23	
TDS_VARCHAR	nchar	24	
TDS_VARCHAR	nvarchar	25	
TDS_NUMERIC	decimal	26	decimal and numeric datatypes are identical on ASE, but we maintain the distinction on how they were declared so that clients can report column types in a way that is consistent with how they were declared.
TDS_NUMERIC	decimaln	27	

Table 21: USERTYPE mappings

TDS Datatype	SQL Datatype	Usertype	Comment
TDS_NUMERIC	numericn	28	
TDS_LONGBINARY	unichar	34	fixed length UTF-16 encoded data
TDS_LONGBINARY	univarchar	35	variable length UTF-16 encoded data
TDS_IMAGE	unitext	36	UTF-16 encoded data
TDS_DATETIMN	date	50	The hh:mm:ss.nnnn information should be ignored
TDS_DATETIMN	time	51	The mm/dd/yyyy information should be ignored
TDS_INTN	unsigned short	52	
TDS_INTN	unsigned int	53	
TDS_INTN	unsigned long	54	
TDS_LONGBINARY	serialization	55	serialized java object or instance (i.e. java object)
TDS_LONGBINARY	serialized java class	56	serialized java class (i.e. byte code)
TDS_LONGCHAR	string	57	internally generated varchar strings (e.g. select @@version), not table columns
TDS_INTN	unknown	58	a describe input will return TDS_INT4 (as a simple placeholder) for all columns where it does not know the datatype. This usertype indicates that the actual type is unknown.
TDS_LONGBINARY	smallbinary	59	64K max length binary data (ASA)
TDS_LONGCHAR	smallchar	60	64K maximum length char data (ASA)

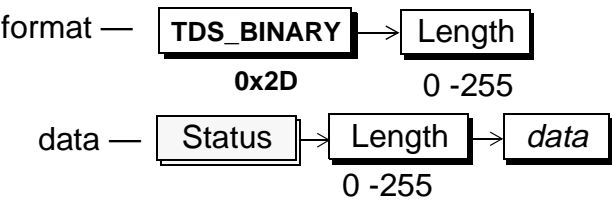
Table 21: USERTYPE mappings

TDS Datatype	SQL Datatype	Usertype	Comment
TDS_BINARY	timestamp	80	This has nothing to do with date or time, it is an ASE unique value for use with optimistic concurrency.

Syntax

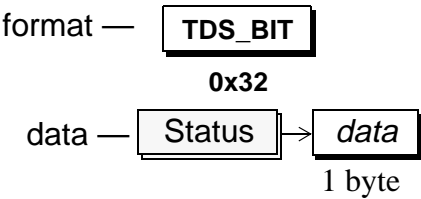
TDS_BINARY — 0x2D

The **TDS_BINARY** datatype is considered a fixed length data type. However, its network representation can vary from 0 to 255 bytes to eliminate sending non-significant trailing **0x00**s. The length is specified by a one-byte unsigned integer which precedes the datatype token and the data.



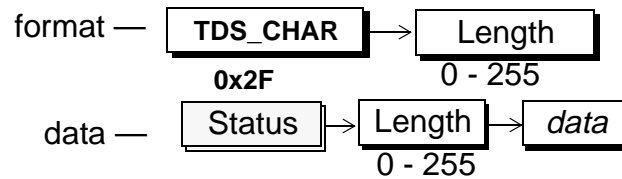
TDS_BIT — 0x32

TDS_BIT is a fixed length datatype of one byte. The only valid values for this datatype are **0x00** or **0x01**.

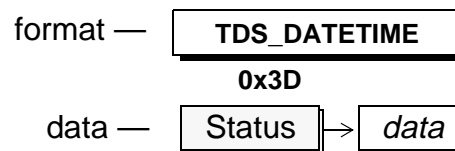


TDS_CHAR — 0x2F

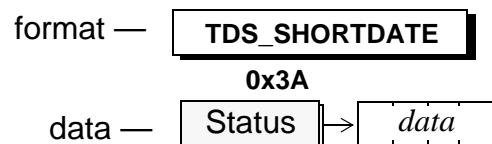
The **TDS_CHAR** datatype is considered a fixed length data type. However, its network representation can vary from 0 to 255 bytes to eliminate sending non-significant trailing spaces. The length is specified by a one-byte unsigned integer which precedes the datatype token and the data.

**TDS_DATETIME — 0x3D**

TDS_DATETIME is a fixed length datatype of 8 bytes.

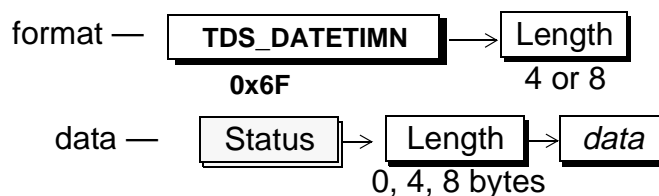
**TDS_SHORTDATE — 0x3A**

TDS_SHORTDATE is a fixed length datatype of 4 bytes.



TDS_DATETIME — 0x6F

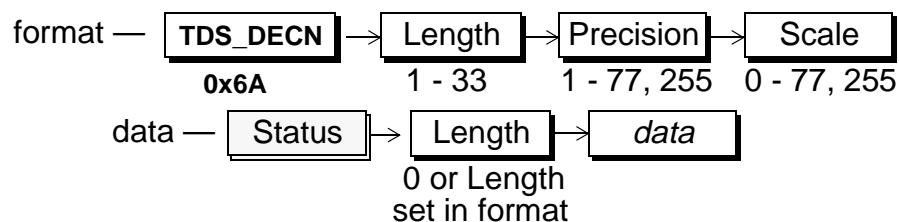
TDS_DATETIME is a nullable version of the **TDS_DATETIME** and **TDS_DATETIME4** datatypes. The token and its data are preceded by an unsigned one-byte integer which has the value 0, 4, or 8. A NULL is indicated by a length value of 0.



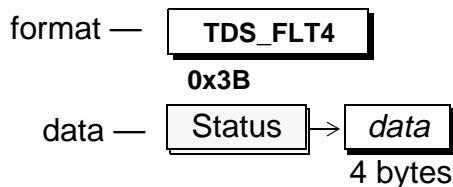
The data length must either be 0 or the length specified in the format length argument.

TDS_DECN — 0x6A

The **TDS_DECN** is a variable length nullable datatype. The token is followed by one byte arguments for data length, precision, and scale. The length byte is the length of the data only. It does not include the bytes for precision and scale. A **Length** of 0 in the data stream indicates a NULL datatype. The **TDS_DECN** has exactly the same format as the **TDS_NUMN** datatype.

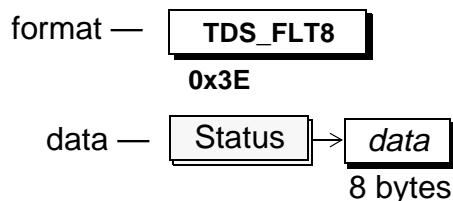
**TDS_FLT4 — 0x3B**

This is a fixed length four-byte floating point datatype. The precision of the floating point number is platform specific.

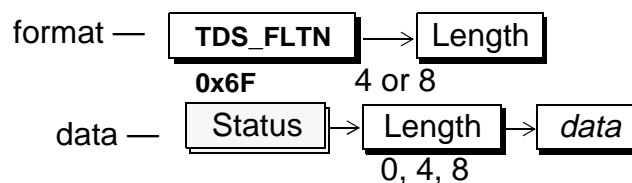


TDS_FLT8 — 0x3E

This is fixed length eight-byte floating point datatype. The precision of the floating point is platform specific.

**TDS_FLTN — 0x6D**

This is the same as the **TDS_FLT4** and **TDS_FLT8** datatypes except that NULLS are allowed. The token and its data are preceded by an unsigned one-byte integer which has the value 0, 4, or 8. A NULL is indicated by a Length value of 0.



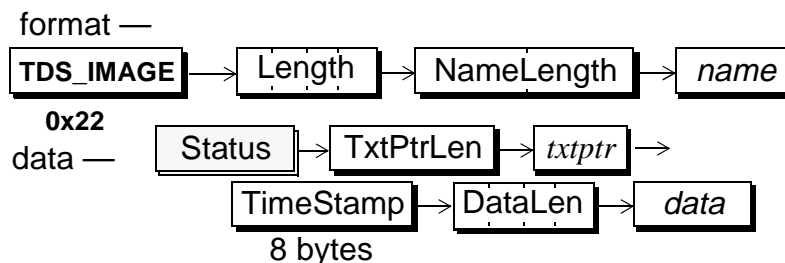
The data length must either be 0 or the length specified in the format length argument. For example, if the format length is specified as 4, the data length can not be 8.

TDS_IMAGE — 0x22

This is a large binary datatype. TxtPtrLen gives the length in bytes of the following txtptr argument. If TxtPtrLen is 0 then the value of the IMAGE data item is SQL NULL and none of the other fields follow. The txtptr is a varbinary value (of length TxtPtrLen) which the database can use to relocate the source of this data if the client wants to modify it.

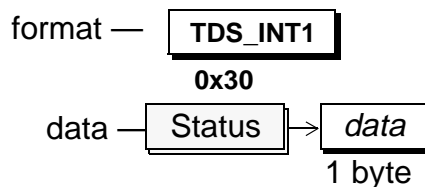
TimeStamp is an 8-byte binary value which is automatically changed on the database whenever an IMAGE value is changed. If the client uses a BULK_WRITE stream to update this value it must pass this timestamp value into the WRITETEXT clause. If the timestamp doesn't match the current value on the server the update will fail because there has been an intervening modification to that IMAGE value.

DataLen is a 4 byte, unsigned value which indicates the length in bytes of the following data . Data is the value of the IMAGE column.



TDS_INT1 — 0x30

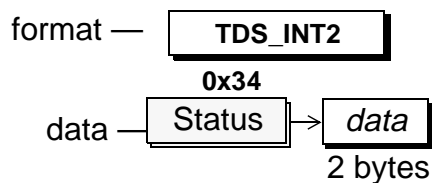
This is an unsigned, one-byte integer. It may have the value of 0 through



255.

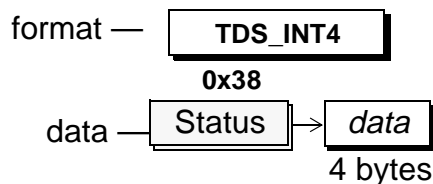
TDS_INT2 — 0x34

This is a signed, two-byte integer. It may have the value of -32,768 through 32,767.

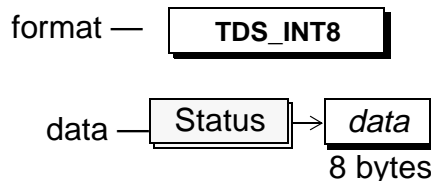


TDS_INT4 — 0x38

This is a signed, four-byte integer. It may have the value of -2,147,483,648 through 2,147,483,647.

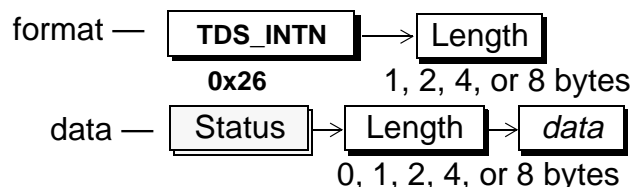


TDS_INT8 —This is a signed, eight-byte integer. It may have the value of -9,223,372,036,854,775,808 through 9,223,372,036,854,775,807.



TDS_INTN — 0x26

This is either an **TDS_INT1**, **TDS_INT2**, or **TDS_INT4**, or **TDS_INT8** which allows NULLS. The token and its data are preceded by an unsigned one-byte integer which specifies its length. If used to represent an **TDS_INT1**, the length must be either 0 or 1. If used to represent an **TDS_INT2**, the length must be either 0 or 2. If used to represent an **TDS_INT4**, the length must be either 0 or 4. If used to represent an **TDS_INT8**, the length must be



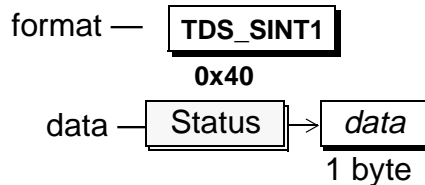
either 0 or 8

The data length must either be 0 or the length specified in the format length argument. For example, if the format length is specified as 4, the data length can not be 1 or 2. If the TDS_DATA_INT8 request capability is clear or the TDS_DATA_NOINT8 response capability is set, then the Length field may not indicate 8 bytes.

Note that for historical reasons, TDS_INT1 is unsigned, and a TDS_INTN with a length of 1 must be interpreted as an unsigned integer while the rest are signed. We have added a TDS_SINT1 to specifically indicate a signed 1-byte integer value.

TDS_SINT1 — 0x40

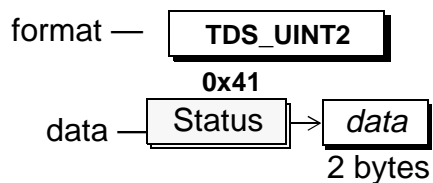
This is a signed, one-byte integer. It may have the value of -128 through



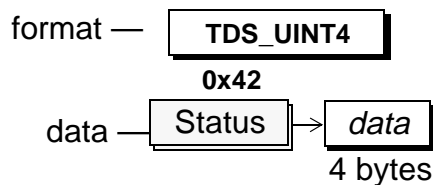
127.

TDS_UINT2 — 0x41

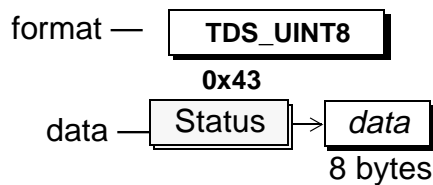
This is an unsigned, two-byte integer. It may have the value of 0 through 65535.

**TDS_UINT4 — 0x42**

This is an unsigned, four-byte integer. It may have the value of -0 through 4,294,967,295.

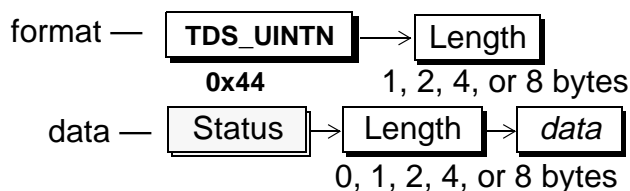
**TDS_UINT8 — 0x43**

This is an unsigned, eight-byte integer. It may have the value of -0 through 18,446,744,073,709,551,613.



TDS_UINTN — 0x44

This is either an **TDS_INT1**, **TDS_UINT2**, or **TDS_UINT4**, or **TDS_UINT8** which allows NULLS. The token and its data are preceded by an unsigned one-byte integer which specifies its length. If used to represent an **TDS_UINT1**, the length must be either 0 or 1. If used to represent an **TDS_UINT2**, the length must be either 0 or 2. If used to represent an **TDS_UINT4**, the length must be either 0 or 4. If used to represent an

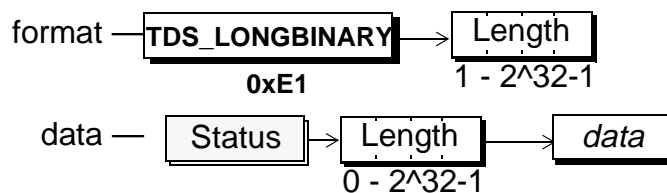


TDS_UINT8, the length must be either 0 or 8

The data length must either be 0 or the length specified in the format length argument. For example, if the format length is specified as 4, the data length can not be 1 or 2. If the **TDS_DATA_UINT8** request capability is clear or the **TDS_DATA_NOUINT8** response capability is set, then the Length field may not indicate 8 bytes.

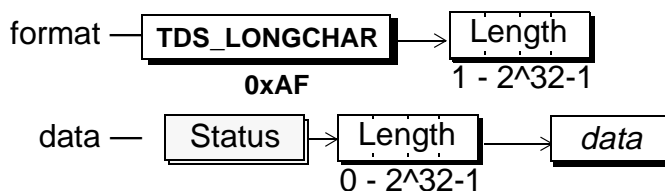
TDS_LONGBINARY — 0xE1

This is a large variable length binary datatype. This datatype can support the same length of a **TDS_IMAGE** datatype without the additional complexity. This data type has a four-byte unsigned integer length field.



TDS_LONGCHAR — 0xAF

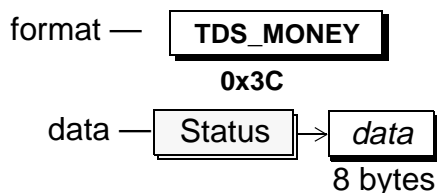
This is a large variable length character datatype. This datatype can support the same length of a **TDS_TEXT** datatype without the additional complexity. The maximum number of characters may be different than the number of bytes if the character set being used requires one, two, or four bytes to represent a character. This data type has a four byte unsigned



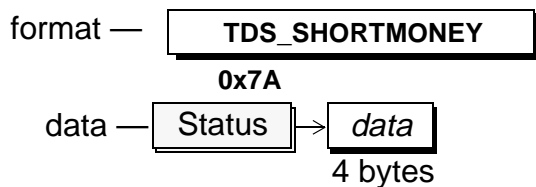
integer length field.

TDS_MONEY — 0x3C

This is a fixed length datatype of 8 bytes.

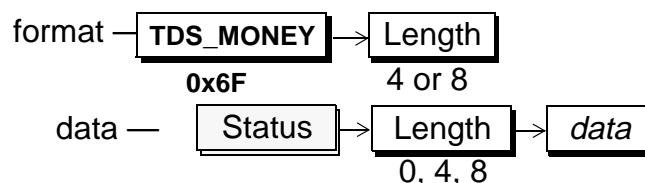
**TDS_SHORTMONEY — 0x7A**

This is a fixed length data type of 4 bytes.



TDS_MONEYN — 0x6E

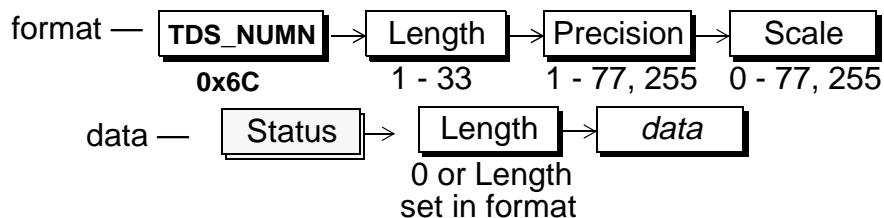
This is the same as the **TDS_MONEY** and **TDS_MONEY4** datatypes except that NULLS are allowed. The token and its data are preceded by an unsigned one-byte integer which has the value 0, 4 or 8. A NULL is indicated by a length value of 0.



The data length must either be 0 or the length specified in the format length argument. For example, if the format length is specified as 4, the data length can not be 8.

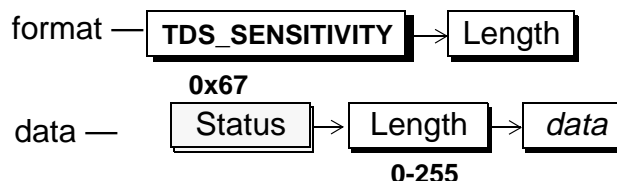
TDS_NUMN — 0x6C

This is the numeric datatype. The token is followed by bytes for data length, precision, and scale. The length byte describes the length of the data only and does not include the precision and scale bytes. Numeric has exactly the same format as the decimal datatype.



TDS_SENSITIVITY — 0x67

This datatype is used by secure versions of the SQL Server. It is exactly like the **TDS_VARCHAR** datatype. A NULL value has a length of 0. This datatype may be from 0 to 255 bytes. The token and its data are preceded by an unsigned one-byte integer which specifies its length. This data type



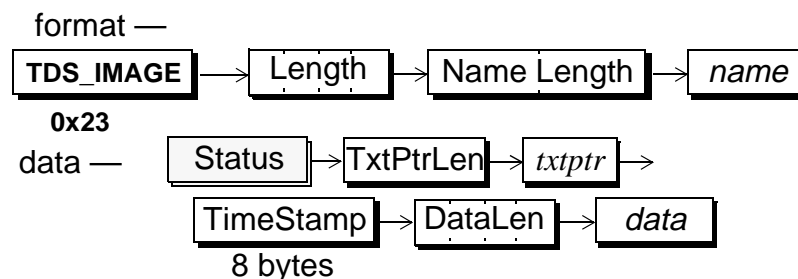
is used for security handshake during login processing. They may also exist as columns in a row. If a client uses capability bits to indicate that this data type is not supported, a server automatically converts this data type to a **TDS_VARCHAR**.

TDS_TEXT — 0x23

This is a character datatype. This is a large binary datatype. TxtPtrLen gives the length in bytes of the following txtptr argument. If TxtPtrLen is 0 then the value of the TEXT data item is SQL NULL and none of the other fields follow. The txtptr is a varbinary value (of length TxtPtrLen) which the database can use to re-locate the source of this data if the client wants to modify it.

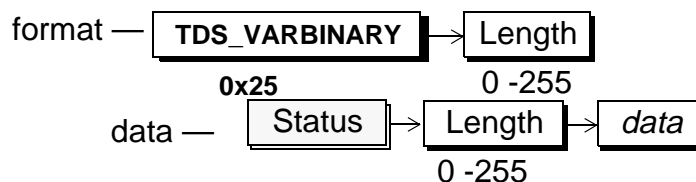
TimeStamp is an 8-byte binary value which is automatically changed on the database whenever an TEXT value is changed. If the client uses a BULK_WRITE stream to update this value it must pass this timestamp value into the WRITETEXT clause. If the timestamp doesn't match the current value on the server the update will fail because there has been an intervening modification to that TEXT value.

DataLen is a 4 byte, unsigned value which indicates the length in bytes of the following data . Data is the value of the TEXT column.



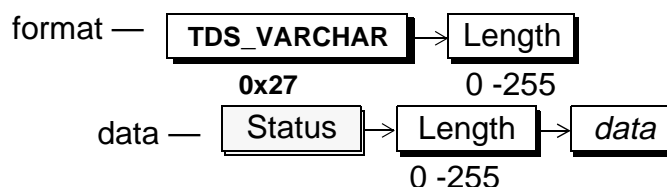
TDS_VARBINARY — 0x25

This is variable length nullable binary datatype. Its length may vary from 1 to 255 bytes. The length is specified by a one-byte unsigned integer which precedes the datatype token and the data. A NULL value has a length of 0. There is no way to represent a non-NULL empty string of length 0.



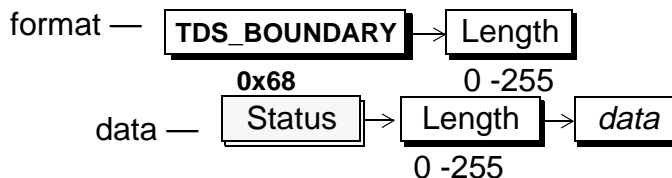
TDS_VARCHAR — 0x27

This is a variable length nullable character datatype. A NULL value has a length of 0. There is no way to represent a non-NULL empty string of length 0. This datatype may be from 0 to 255 bytes. The token and its data are preceded by an unsigned one-byte integer which specifies its length.



TDS_BOUNDARY — 0x68

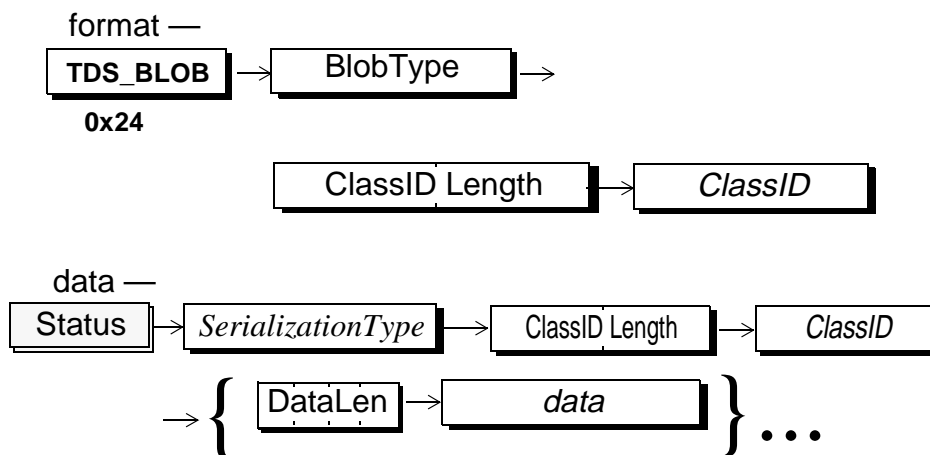
This is a variable length nullable character datatype. A NULL value has a length of 0. There is no way to represent a non-NULL empty string of length 0. This datatype may be from 0 to 255 bytes. The token and its data are preceded by an unsigned one-byte integer which specifies its length. This data type is used for security handshake during login



processing. They may also exist as columns in a row. If a client uses capability bits to indicate that this data type is not supported, a server automatically converts this data type to a **TDS_VARCHAR**.

TDS_BLOB — 0x24

This is a streaming/chunked datatype. It may represent a serialized object,



or a long binary or character datatype.

The **BlobType** - indicates what type of serialized data this is. Valid **BlobType** values are listed in *Table 22*:

The **ClassIDLength** field indicates how long the next **ClassID** byte array is. If this value is 0, then the **ClassID** field will be absent.

The **ClassID** byte array identifies the type of Object which the column was declared to contain. All rows in that column are subclasses of this Class. How this **ClassID** should be interpreted depends on the **BlobType** value. In the case of Java Objects using Native serialization, ClassID may be missing since the serialization internally contains the name of the Class which each object is an instance of.

The **SerializationType** - indicates how the members of the object are actually

Table 22:

BlobType	ClassID meaning
0x01	The fully qualified name of the class (“com.foo.Bar”). This is a Character String in the negotiated TDS character set currently in use on this connection.
0x02	4-byte integer (database ID) 4-byte integer(sysextypes number of this class definition in this database). Both integers are in the byte-ordering negotiated for this connection.
0x03	This is long character data and has no ClassID associated with it.
0x04	This is long binary data and has no ClassID associated with it.
0x05	This is unichar data with no ClassID associated with it. It is

represented in the following **data** field **SerializationType** meanings depend on the **BlobType** and are summarized in *Table 23*: .

Table 23:

BlobType	Serialization	Meaning
0x01, 0x02	0x01	Native Java Serialization
0x03	0x00	Characters are in their native format, the character set of the data is the same as that of all other character data as negotiated on the connection during login.
0x04	0x00	Binary data in its normal form

Table 23:

BlobType	Serialization	Meaning
0x05	0x00	This is unichar data with normal UTF-16 encoding with byte-order identical to that of the client.
0x05	0x01	This is unichar data in its UTF-8 encoding.
0x05	0x02	This is unichar data in SCSU (compressed) encoding.

ClassID Length gives the length of the following **ClassID** character string. If **ClassID Length** is 0, then this object is exactly an instance of the column type class (from the FORMAT) stream, and the following **ClassID** token will be missing.

ClassID Has the same meaning as ClassID from the Format token, but indicates the specific sub-class that this Object is of the declared class for the column.

DataLen is a 4-byte field The high-order bit indicates whether this is the last (0) **DataLen/Data** pairs, or if there is another **DataLen** value after the **Data** array (1). The low-order 31 bytes is an unsigned length of the following **Data** array.

Data is a byte array which contains the serialized value of the object.

- The DataLen/Data pairs continue until a DataLen with a clear high-bit is seen. If that final DataLen has a value of 0 then no additional Data array follows it (This is sort of a NULL terminated data stream). This allows us to pass Objects of arbitrary size with out having to first know how large these objects are).
- A value of 0x80000000 is legal, and means simply that the length of the following **Data** stream is 0, and thus the next item will be another 4-byte **DataLen**.
- There is no requirement that the lengths of the stream of Data chunks be the same.

See Also

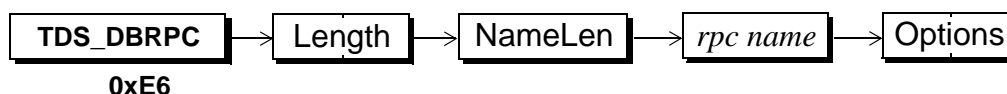
**TDS_ROWFORMAT, TDS_PARAMFORMAT, TDS_ROW, TDS_PARAMS, TDS_ALTFMT,
TDS_RPC**

TDS_DBRPC

Function

Describes the data stream which contains a data base remote procedure call request.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_DBRPC This is the command token to send an data base RPC request.

Length This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining **TDS_DBRPC** data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

NameLen This is length, in bytes, of the RPC name. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

rpc name This is the name of the RPC. Its length, in bytes, is given by the preceding argument.

Options This is a bit mask which contains options related to the RPC. The mask is a two-byte, unsigned integer. The defined options are:

Table 24: RPC Option Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_RPC_UNUSED	0x000	Options field is unused.
TDS_RPC_RECOMPILE	0x0001	Recompile the RPC before execution.
TDS_RPC_PARAMS	0x0002	There are parameters associated with this RPC.

Comments

- This token is used by a client to make an RPC request to a server.
- Only one **TDS_DBRPC** token per request is allowed.
- Parameter data is sent using the **TDS_PARAMFMT/PARAMS** data stream tokens.
- There are two protocols supported for RPCs and return parameters in TDS 5.0. This is because the original 10.0 release was shipped using the **TDS_RPC** and **TDS_RETURNVALUE** tokens to send RPCs and return parameters. However, the **TDS_RPC** token had a 64K-1 byte limit that was unacceptable. This was resolved by using the **TDS_DBRPC** and **TDS_PARAMFMT/PARAMS** tokens for RPCs and return parameters.
- The **TDS_DBRPC** token will be used by clients if the **TDS_REQ_PARAM** capability bit is true.
- Return parameters will be returned to a client using the **TDS_PARAMFMT/PARAMS** tokens if the **TDS_RES_NOPARAM** capability bit is false.

Examples

See Also

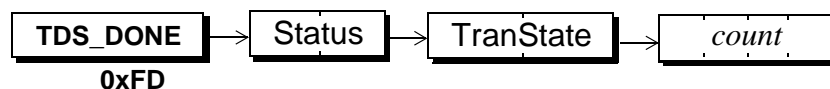
TDS_PARAMFMT, TDS_PARAMS, TDS_RPC, TDS_RETURNVALUE

TDS_DONE

Function

Indicates completion status of a command.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_DONE This token is used to indicate command completion status.

Status This field is a two-byte, unsigned integer and is a bit field indicating the completion status. The possible bits are:

TDS_DONE_FINAL - 0x0000

This is the final result for the last command. It indicates that the command has completed successfully.

TDS_DONE_MORE - 0x0001

This Status indicates that there are more results to follow for the current command.

TDS_DONE_ERROR - 0x0002

This indicates that an error occurred on the current command.

TDS_DONE_INXACT - 0x0004

There is a transaction in progress for the current request.

TDS_DONE_PROC - 0x0008

This **TDS_DONE** is from the results of a stored procedure.

TDS_DONE_COUNT - 0x0010

This **Status** indicates that the *count* argument is valid. This bit is used to distinguish between an empty *count* field and a *count* field with a value of 0.

TDS_DONE_ATTN - 0x0020

This **TDS_DONE** is acknowledging an attention command.

TDS_DONE_EVENT - 0x0040

This **TDS_DONE** was generated as part of an event notification.

TranState

This is a two-byte, unsigned integer field. It indicates the current state of the transaction on this connection.

Table 25: Transaction State Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_NOT_IN_TRAN	0	Not currently in a transaction
TDS_TRAN_SUCCEED	1	Request caused transaction to complete successfully.
TDS_TRAN_PROGRESS	2	A transaction is still in progress on this dialog.
TDS_STMT_ABORT	3	Request caused a statement abort to occur.
TDS_TRAN_ABORT	4	Request caused transaction to abort.

count

This is a four-byte integer. If **TDS_DONE_COUNT** is set in the Status argument, count contains the number of rows affected by the current command.

Comments

- **TDS_DONE** is used to indicate the completion status of a command. Multiple commands may be sent in one request. The result sets for each command are terminated by a **TDS_DONE**. When multiple result sets are returned, all but the final **TDS_DONE** will have the **TDS_DONE_MORE** bit set in the Status field.
- The server returns the current transaction state to the client in the TranState.
- The TranState field was redefined from an Info field in TDS 5.0.

- Stored procedures return **TDS_DONEINPROC** and **TDS_DONEPROC** tokens instead of **TDS_DONEs**.

Examples

See Also

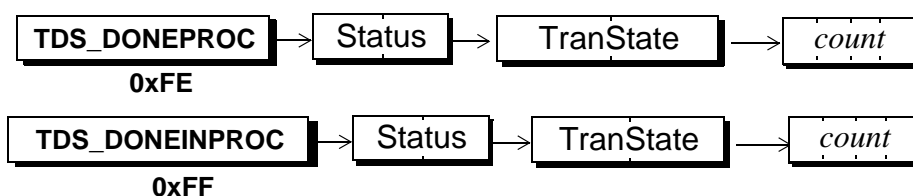
TDS_DONEPROC, TDS_DONEINPROC

TDS_DONEPROC, TDS_DONEINPROC

Function

Indicates completion status of stored procedure commands.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_DONEPROC **TDS_DONEINPROC** These tokens are used to indicate completion status from stored procedure commands.

Status This field is a two-byte, unsigned integer and is a bit field indicating the completion status. The possible bits are:

TDS_DONE_FINAL - 0x0000

This is the final result for the last command. It indicates that the command has completed successfully.

TDS_DONE_MORE - 0x0001

This Status indicates that there are more results to follow for the current command.

TDS_DONE_ERROR - 0x0002

This indicates that an error occurred on the current command.

TDS_DONE_INXACT - 0x0004

There is a transaction in progress for the current request.

TDS_DONE_COUNT - 0x0010

This Status indicates that the *count* argument is valid. This bit is used to distinguish between an empty *count* field and a *count* field with a value of 0.

TDS_DONE_ATTN - 0x0020

This **TDS_DONE** is acknowledging an attention command.

TranState This is a two-byte, unsigned integer field. It indicates the current state of the transaction on this connection.

Table 26: Transaction State Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_NOT_IN_TRAN	0	Not currently in a transaction
TDS_TRAN_SUCCEED	1	Request caused transaction to complete successfully.
TDS_TRAN_PROGRESS	2	A transaction is still in progress on this dialog.
TDS_STMT_ABORT	3	Request caused a statement abort to occur.
TDS_TRAN_ABORT	4	Request caused transaction to abort.

count This is a four-byte integer. If the **TDS_DONE_COUNT** bit in the Status field is set, then the count is meaningful and it gives the number of rows that were affected by the current command.

Comments

- If all the statements in a stored procedure have been executed a **TDS_DONEPROC** is returned. However, a **TDS_DONEPROC** may have the **TDS_DONE_MORE** bit set in the Status field if there are more statements to be executed. This can happen if a stored procedure has called another stored procedure. There will be a separate **TDS_DONEPROC** for each stored procedure that gets called.

- Each statement in a stored procedure that executes will return a **TDS_DONEINPROC**. All statements in Transact-SQL are considered statements except variable declarations. For example, assignment of a variable is considered a separate statement and a **TDS_DONEINPROC** will be generated. The stored procedure itself is considered a statement so a stored procedure consisting of a single *select* will generate a **TDS_DONEINPROC** for the *select* followed by a **TDS_DONEPROC** for the completion of the stored procedure.
- A **TDS_DONEINPROC** is guaranteed to be followed by another **TDS_DONEINPROC** or **TDS_DONEPROC**. A **TDS_DONEPROC** will be followed by another **TDS_DONEINPROC** or **TDS_DONEPROC** only if the **TDS_DONE_MORE** bit is set in the Status field.
- For execution of stored procedures **TDS_DONEINPROC** and **TDS_DONEPROC** tokens are returned instead of **TDS_DONES**.
- The server returns the current transaction state to the client in the TranState.
- The TranState field was redefined from an Info field in TDS 5.0.

Examples

In this example we'll execute a stored procedure which does a *select*, calls another stored procedure and then does another *select*. The procedure *proc1* looks like:

```
select 1  
execute procedure proc2  
select 3
```

Proc2 looks like:

```
select 2
```

When we execute *proc1* the datastream from the server looks like:

row info and data for first select

DONEINPROC → *etc. (from select 1)*

row info and data for second select

DONEINPROC → *etc. (from select 2)*

DONEPROC → *etc. (with More bit set in Status)*

row info and data for third select

DONEINPROC → *etc. (from select 3)*

DONEPROC → *etc.*

See Also

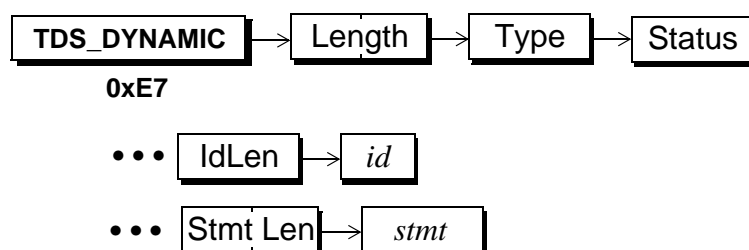
TDS_DONE

TDS_DYNAMIC

Function

A request to prepare or execute a dynamic SQL statement.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_DYNAMIC

This is token indicates that this is a dynamic SQL command.

Length

This is the total length, in bytes, of the remaining datastream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Type

This indicates the type of dynamic operation. **Type** is a one-byte integer. Its values are:

Table 27: Dynamic Operation Types

Name	Value	Description
TDS_DYN_PREPARE	0x01	This is a request to prepare <i>stmt</i> .
TDS_DYN_EXEC	0x02	This is a request to execute a prepared statement.
TDS_DYN_DEALLOC	0x04	Request to deallocate a prepared statement.
TDS_DYN_EXEC_IMMED	0x08	This a request to prepare and execute <i>stmt</i> immediately.

Table 27: Dynamic Operation Types

Name	Value	Description
TDS_DYN_PROCNAME	0x10	Is this used? If so what for?
TDS_DYN_ACK	0x20	Acknowledge a dynamic command.
TDS_DYN_DESCIN	0x40	Send input format description.
TDS_DYN_DESCOUT	0x80	Send output format description.

Status This is the status associated with this dynamic command. Status is a one-byte unsigned integer argument. It has the following valid values:

Table 28: Dynamic Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_DYNAMIC_UNUSED	0x00	No status associated with this dynamic command.
TDS_DYNAMIC_HASARGS	0x01	Parameter data stream follows the dynamic command.

IdLen This the length, in bytes, of the statement id which follows. The statement id may be up to 255 bytes long. It must be at least one byte long. IdLen is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

id This is the statement id. It may be up to 255 bytes long. In practice, a maximum length of 30 is widely supported. The id is a character string and must be at least one byte long.

Stmt Len This is the length of the statement. See the comments section below for information on how this argument is used.

stmt This is the statement that is to be either prepared or executed. It is a character string whose length is given, in bytes, by the previous argument. The maximum length of the statement is 32767 - 2 - the length of the statement id. This argument is only in the data stream if StmtLen is non-0.

Comments

- In SQL pre-compilers that support dynamic SQL, the prepared statement is common. It allows the client to send a SQL statement to the server to be “prepared” and then later executed, perhaps repeatedly. It is similar to a Sybase stored procedure except that it’s life is limited to the client session.
- When a statement is prepared, the server will return a description of the output, if any, using the **TDS_ROW_FMT** data stream. If there are any input parameters, they will be described at the same time using the **TDS_PARAM_FMT** data stream.
- Each **TDS_DYNAMIC** data stream is acknowledged with a **TDS_DONE** data stream.
- The following **TDS_CAP_REQUEST** capability bits are defined for the dynamic protocol:

Table 29: Dynamic Protocol Capabilities

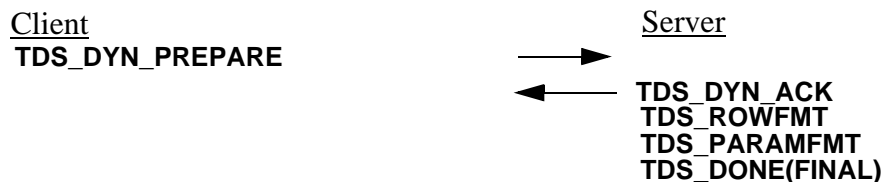
Capability	Description
TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC	If this capability is enabled (1) the TDS_DYN_DESCOUT/DESCIN protocol is used to send input and output formats to a client. If this capability is disabled (0), the format information is sent back automatically by the server at TDS_DYN_PREPARE time.
TDS_PROTO_DYNPROC	If this capability is enabled (1) a client library will prepend “create proc” in the Stmt field of the TDS_DYN_PREPARE data stream. If this capability is disabled (0) a client library will just send the Stmt information un-modified.

- The **TDS_CURDECLARE** token is used to declare a cursor on a prepared statement. it is the client library’s responsibility to associate the prepared statement name with the **TDS_CURDECLARE** token. The prepared statement name must be in the **Statement** argument of the **TDS_CURDECLARE** data stream and the **TDS_CUR_DOPT_DYNAMIC** bit must be set in the **Option** argument.

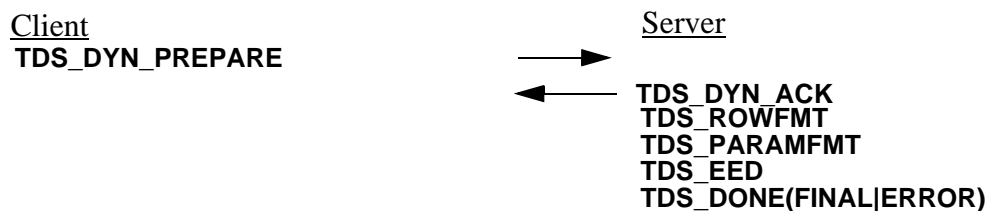
- Only one **TDS_DYNAMIC** token can be sent in a request.
- The **Stmt** argument is only used in the **TDS_DYN_PREPARE** and **TDS_DYN_EXEC_IMMED** data streams. **StmtLen** must be set to 0 in all other dynamic data streams.
- Parameters are not supported in the **TDS_DYN_EXEC_IMMED** data stream.
- The **IdLen** argument must be 0 for a **TDS_DYN_EXEC_IMMED** data stream.
- No results can be returned by a server in response to a **TDS_DYN_EXEC_IMMED** command. The only valid response is a **TDS_DONE**.
- Only one **TDS_PARAMFMT/TDS_ROWFMF** is legal when responding to a **TDS_DYN_PREPARE/TDS_DYN_DESCIN/TDS_DYN_DESCOUT** command.
- Compute rows are illegal in the dynamic protocol.
- Parameter names are not supported in the **TDS_PARAMFMT** associated with the **TDS_DYN_EXEC**.

Protocol Examples

Prepare - Success (TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC == 0)



Prepare - Failure (TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC == 0)

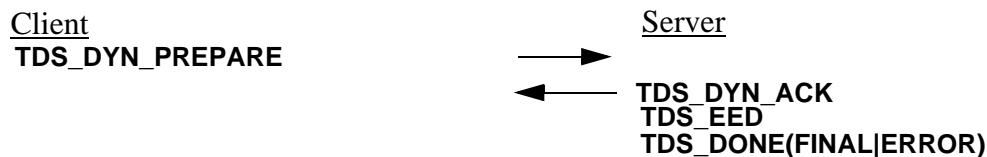


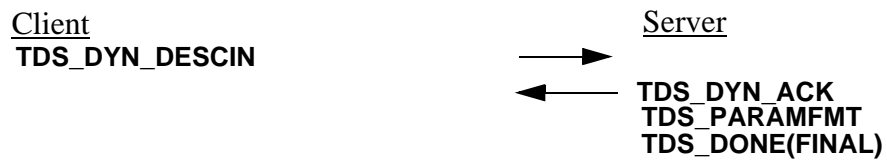
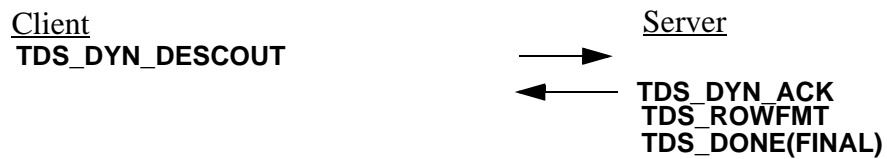
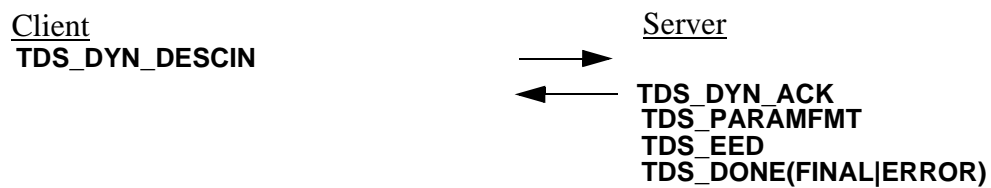
NOTE: The **TDS_EED** token could occur anywhere in the server response data stream. Also, the **TDS_ROWfmt/PARAMfmt** may not be returned from the server. It is possible to receive just a **TDS_ROWfmt**, a **TDS_ROWfmt/PARAMfmt**, or no format information.

Prepare - Success (TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC == 1)

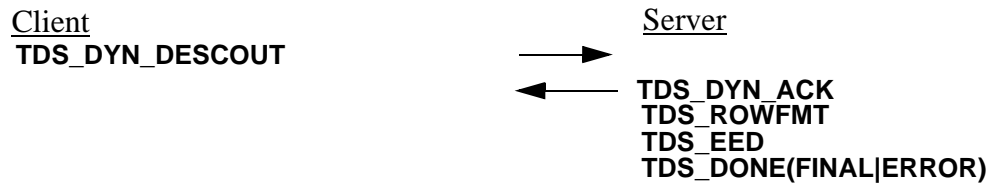


Prepare - Failure (TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC == 1)

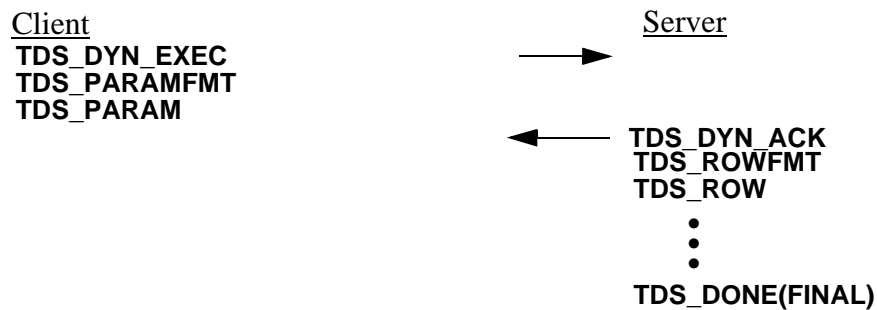
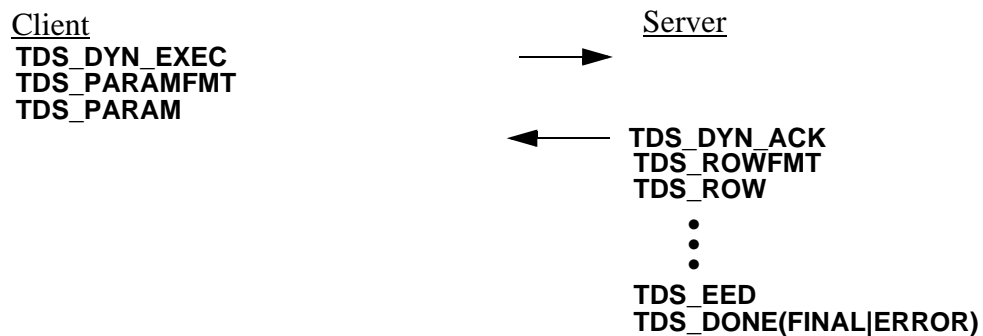


Describe Input Paramters(TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC == 1)Describe Output Rows (TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC == 1)Describe Input Parameters - failure(TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC == 1)

NOTE: The **TDS_PARAMFMT** may not be returned if an error is detected.

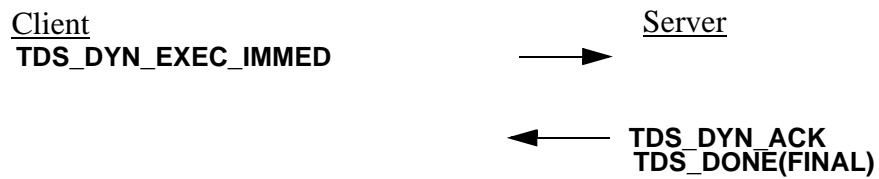
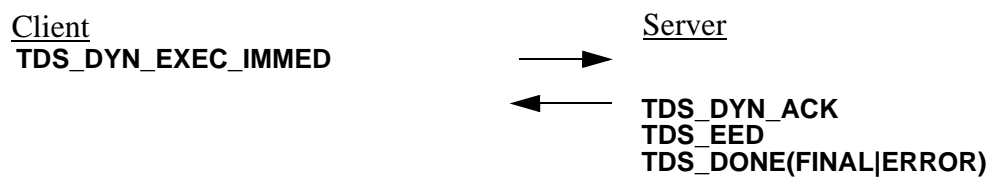
Describe Output Rows - failure(TDS_PROTO_DYNAMIC == 1)

NOTE: The **TDS_ROWFORMAT** may not be returned if an error is detected.

ExecuteExecute - failure

NOTE: The **TDS_ROWFORMAT** and **TDS_ROW(s)** may not be received if an error is detected.

See Also

Execute ImmediateExecute Immediate - FailureDeallocation

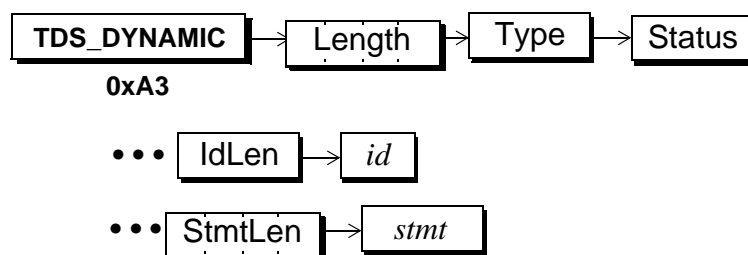
TDS_EED TDS_ROW, TDS_PARAMFMT, TDS_ROWfmt

TDS_DYNAMIC2

Function

A request to prepare or execute a dynamic SQL statement. This token is identical to the TDS_DYNAMIC token, except it has a 4-byte length and StmtLen is expanded to 4 bytes to accommodate longer statements.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_DYNAMIC This token indicates that this is a dynamic SQL command.

Length This is the total length, in bytes, of the remaining datastream. It is a four-byte, unsigned integer.

Type This indicates the type of dynamic operation. **Type** is a one-byte integer. See TDS_DYNAMIC for a description of its values.

Status This is the status associated with this dynamic command. Status is a one-byte unsigned integer argument. See TDS_DYNAMIC for its valid values:

IdLen This is the length, in bytes, of the statement id which follows. The statement id may be up to 255 bytes long. It must be at least one byte long. IdLen is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

id This is the statement id. It may be up to 255 bytes long. In practice, a maximum length of 30 is widely supported. The id is a character string and must be at least one byte long.

StmtLen

This is the length of the statement. See the comments section below for information on how this argument is used.

stmt

This is the statement that is to be either prepared or executed. It is a character string whose length is given, in bytes, by the previous argument.

Comments

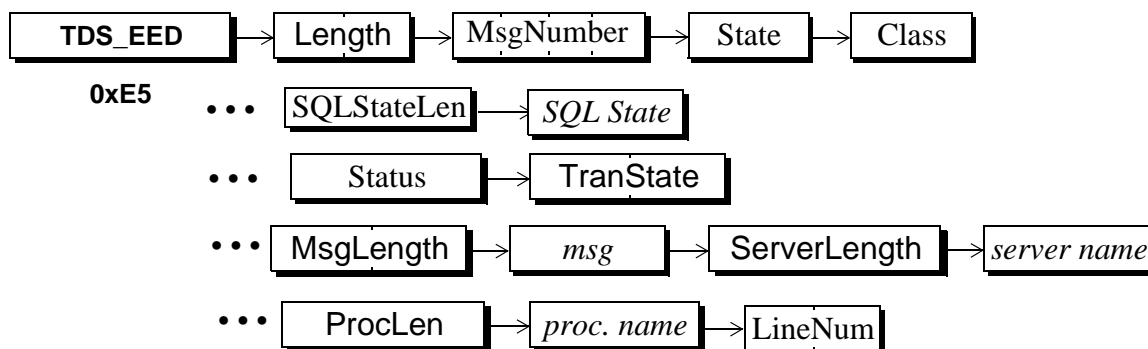
- See TDS_DYNAMIC for comments.

TDS_EED

Function

Return a text message to a client.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_EED

This is the data stream command token that indicates that this is a data stream containing a text message.

Length

This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining data stream. It is a two-byte unsigned integer.

MsgNumber

This is the message number for the message. MsgNumber is a four-byte, unsigned integer.

State

This is the message state. It is used as a modifier to the MsgNumber. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

Class

This is the class or severity of the message. It is a one-byte unsigned integer.

SqlStateLen

This the length of the SQL state argument that follows.

SQL State

This is the SQL state value associated with this message. Its length is in SQLStateLen. This argument is treated as binary data. No character set conversion will occur.

Status This is the status associated with this extended message. this argument is a one-byte unsigned integer. It has the following valid values:

Table 30: Valid Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_NO_EED	0x00	No extended error data follows.
TDS_EED_FOLLOWS	0x01	Extended error data follows this token. Extended error data is sent using TDS_PARAMFMT/PARAM

TranState This is the current state of any transactions that are active on this dialog. See the **TDS_DONE** man page for valid values for this argument. This argument is a two-byte unsigned integer.

MsgLength This is the length of the *msg* text that follows. It a two-byte, unsigned integer. Note that the total length of the **TDS_EED** data stream must be no longer than 64k-1. Since the data stream includes other information in addition to the *msg*, the actual length that *msg* can be is less than 64k-1. How much less depends on the length of the other fields in the **TDS_EED** data stream.

msg This is the actual text of the message. Its length, in bytes, is in **MsgLength**.

ServerLength This is the length of the server name argument which follows. It may be 0. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

server name This is the name of the server that is sending the message. It will be omitted if **ServerLength** is 0.

ProcLength This is the length of the *proc. name* argument which follows. It may be 0. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

proc. name This is the name of the stored procedure or RPC in which the message occurred. It will be omitted if **ProcLength** is 0.

LineNum This is the line number in the command batch or stored procedure that has the error, if applicable. Line numbers start at 1 so if LineNum isn't applicable to the message, it will be 0. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Comments

- This is the data stream that is sent from the server to return a text message to a client. These messages are usually sent because an error was detected.
- A server may send multiple **TDS_EED** tokens in one response.
- The **TDS_EED** token is sent in place of the **TDS_ERROR/INFO** tokens when the **TDS_RES_NOEED** capability is not enabled (0).
- The **Status** field must be set to **TDS_EED_FOLLOWS** if extended error data follows. Any number of parameters may be sent following a **TDS_EED** token.
- A **TDS_EED** token cannot come between regular results. It either has to come before any results, or after all of the results.
- Multiple **TDS_EED** tokens can follow regular results. The multiple **TDS_EEDs** are differentiated using a **TDS_DONE(MORE)**.
- Any results values that follow a **TDS_EED** for another command batch must be preceded by a **TDS_DONE(MORE)**.
- Errors generating the **TDS_EED** data stream are reported by a server by setting the **ERROR** bit in the **TDS_DONE(MORE)** token associated with the **TDS_EED**. The **ERROR** bit is the only valid status bit in the **TDS_DONE** data stream other than **MORE** for **TDS_EED** data streams.
- The **TDS_EED** token replaces both the **TDS_ERROR** and **TDS_INFO** tokens in earlier versions of TDS.

Protocol Examples

Sending an Extended Error Data Stream

```
TDS_ROWFORMAT+
TDS_ROW+
.
.
.
TDS_EED(TDS_EED_FOLLOWS)
TDS_PARAMFORMAT*
TDS_PARAM*
.
.
.
TDS_DONE(FINAL)**
```

+ Regular Results

* Extended error data

** This TDS_DONE delineates both result set and the
TDS_EED data stream.

Sending an Extended Error Data Stream
with multiple result sets

```
TDS_ROWFORMAT+
TDS_ROW+
.
.
.
TDS_EED(TDS_EED_FOLLOWS)
TDS_PARAMFORMAT*
TDS_PARAM*
.
.
.
TDS_DONE(MORE)**
TDS_DONE(MORE)***
TDS_ROWFORMAT++
TDS_ROW++
.
.
.
TDS_DONE(FINAL)
```

+First Result Set

* Extended error data

** This TDS_DONE(MORE) delineates the
TDS_EED data stream.

*** This TDS_DONE(MORE) delineates the first result set

++ Second result set

Reporting an Error while generating a
TDS_EED stream

```
TDS_ROWFORMAT+
TDS_ROW+
.
.
.
TDS_EED(TDS_EED_FOLLOWS)
TDS_DONE(MORE|ERROR)*
TDS_DONE(MORE)**
TDS_ROWFORMAT++
TDS_ROW++
.
.
.
TDS_DONE(FINAL)
```

+First Result Set

* This TDS_DONE(MORE|ERROR) indicates that an error occurred while generating the TDS_EED token. NOTE: No parameters were sent in this example. It is undefined whether parameters are sent when an error occurs.

** This TDS_DONE(MORE) delineates the first result set.

++ Second result set.

See Also

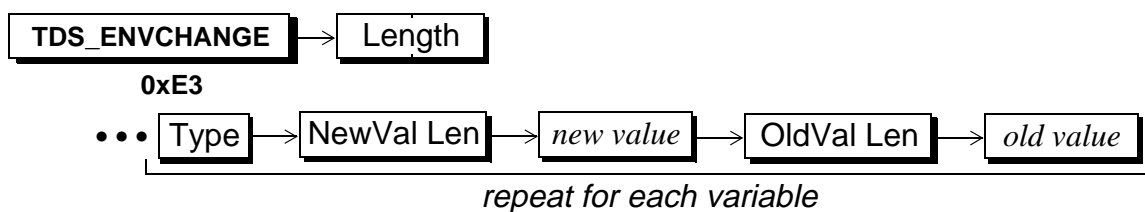
TDS_DONE, TDS_INFO, TDS_ERROR

TDS_ENVCHANGE

Function

Notify receiver of a change in the supported environmental variables.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ENVCHANGE

This token indicates that this is a datastream containing environment change information.

Length

This is the total length of the remaining environmental change data stream.

Type

This one-byte, unsigned argument defines the variable affected by this command. The defined types are:

TDS_ENV_DB - 1

The current database.

TDS_ENV_LANG - 2

The current national language.

TDS_ENV_CHARSET - 3

The current character set.

TDS_ENV_PACKSIZE - 4

The current packet size, in bytes.

NewValLen

This gives the length, in bytes, of the *new value* for the variable. The length may be 0.

new value This is the new value of the environment variable. Its length is given by the preceding argument. If length is 0, it will be omitted from the datastream.

OldValLen This gives the length, in bytes, of the *old value* for the variable. The length may be 0.

old value This is the old value of the environment variable. Its length is given by the preceding argument. If length is 0, it will be omitted from the datastream.

Comments

- This datastream is used to inform the receiver of any changes in any of the environment variables.
- More than one variable change can be described in a single datastream.

Examples

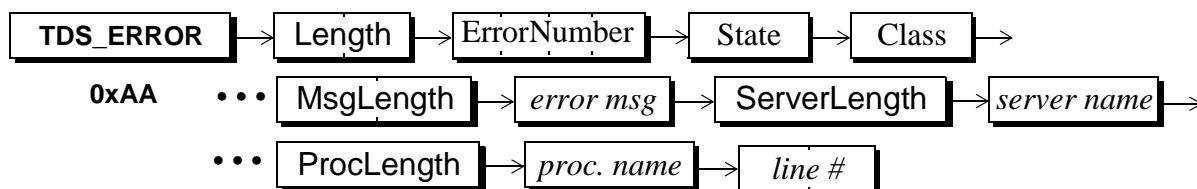
See Also

TDS_ERROR

Function

Describes the datastream which contains an error message.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ERROR This is the datastream command token that indicates that this is a datastream containing an error message.

Length This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining error message. It is a two-byte unsigned integer.

error number This is the server-generated error number for the message. Error numbers below 20001 are reserved by the SQL Server. The number is a four-byte, signed integer.

state This is the error state. It is used as a modifier to the *error number*. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

class This is the class or severity of the error. In the SQL Server, a *class* of 10 or less indicates an information message. It is a one-byte unsigned integer.

MsgLength This is the length of the *msg* text that follows. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer. Note that the total length of the **TDS_ERROR** datastream must be no longer than 64k-1. Since the datastream includes other information in addition to the *error msg*, the actual length that *error msg* can be is less than 64k-1. How much less depends on the length of the other fields in the **TDS_ERROR** datastream.

error msg This is the actual text of the error message. Its length, in bytes, is described in the preceding parameter.

Server Length This is the length of the server name parameter which follows. It may be 0. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

server name This is the name of the server that is sending the message. It will be omitted if **ServerLength** is 0.

ProcLength This is the length of the *proc. name* parameter which follows. It may be 0. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

proc. name This is the name of the stored procedure or rpc in which the error occurred. It will be omitted if **ProcLength** is 0.

line # This is the line number in the command batch of stored procedure that has the error, if applicable. Line numbers start at 1 so if *line#* isn't applicable to the message, it will be 0. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Comments

- This is the datastream that is sent from the server when an error occurs.
- A server may send multiple **TDS_ERROR** statements.
- The **TDS_ERROR** datastream is exactly the same as the **TDS_INFO** datastream except for the token value.
- This token is obsolete and has been replaced by the **TDS_EED** token.

Examples

See Also

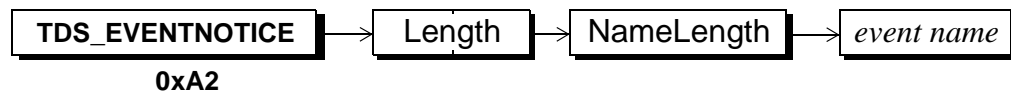
TDS_INFO, TDS_EED

TDS_EVENTNOTICE

Function

The data stream for sending a notice that an event has been raised.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_EVENTNOTICE

This is the data stream command token that indicates that this is a data stream containing an event notification.

Length

This is the total length of the remaining data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

NameLength

This is the length, in bytes, of the name of the event which has been raised.

event name

This is the event name of the event that has been raised. Its length is given by the preceding argument.

Comments

- This is the data stream sent by the server to the client when an event is raised. The client must have previously asked the server to send notification for a particular event.
- See the Event Notification chapter in this document for a complete description of the event notification protocol.

Examples

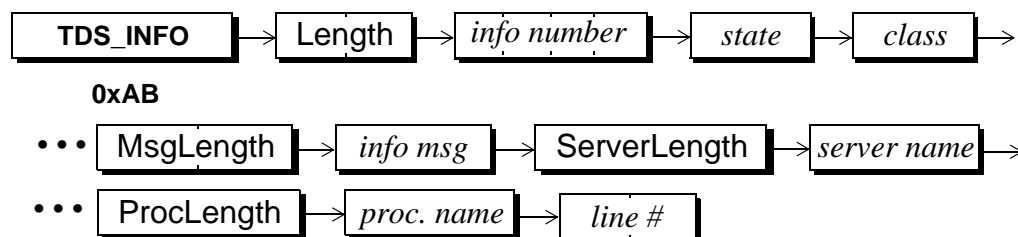
See Also

TDS_INFO

Function

Describes the datastream which contains an information message.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_INFO

This is the datastream command token that indicates that this is a datastream containing an information message.

Length

This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining information datastream. It is a two-byte unsigned integer.

info number

This the server-generated information number for the message. Information numbers below 20001 are reserved by the SQL Server. The number is a four-byte, signed integer.

state

This is the information state. It is used as a modifier to the *info number*. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

class

This is the class of the information message. In the SQL Server, a *class* of 10 or less indicates an information message. It is a one-byte unsigned integer.

MsgLength

This is the length of the *msg* text that follows. It a two-byte, unsigned integer. Note that the total length of the **TDS_INFO** datastream must be no longer than 64k-1. Since the datastream includes other information in addition to the *info msg*, the actual length that *info msg* can be is less than 64k-1. How much less depends on the length of the other fields in the **TDS_INFO** datastream.

info msg This is the actual text of the information message. Its length, in bytes, is described in the preceding parameter.

ServerLength This is the length of the *server name* parameter which follows. It may be 0. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

server name This is the name of the server that is sending the message. It will be omitted if **ServerLength** is 0.

ProcLength This is the length of the *proc. name* parameter which follows. It may be 0. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

proc. name This is the name of the stored procedure or rpc in which the message occurred. It will be omitted if **ProcLength** is 0.

line # This is the line number in the command batch of stored procedure that has the message, if applicable. Line numbers start at 1 so if *line#* isn't applicable to the message, it will be 0. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Comments

- This is the datastream that is sent from the server when an informational message occurs.
- A server may send multiple **TDS_INFO** statements.
- The **TDS_INFO** datastream is exactly the same as the **TDS_ERROR** datastream except for the token value.
- This token is obsolete and has been replaced with the **TDS_EED** token.

Examples

See Also

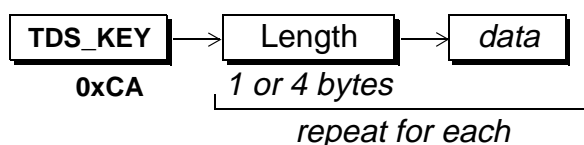
TDS_ERROR, TDS_EED

TDS_KEY

Function

The datastream for key data.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_KEY This is the token that indicates that this is a data stream containing key data.

Length This is the actual, as opposed to maximum, data length, in bytes, of the following data. It is one-byte unsigned integer. If the following data is a fixed length datatype of standard length, e.g., ints, floats, datetimes, then there is no **Length** argument.

data This is the actual data for the key column. Its length, if variable, is indicated by the preceding **Length** argument. It is in the format requested in the login request from the client.

Comments

- This is the data stream that contains all the key for a particular row. The key data is returned to the server along with a cursor update command to tell the server the client's current row. The server will also return the new key to the client when the key is changed on a cursor update or cursor delete.
- The key data is described in the **TDS_ROWFMt** for the row with the key. The "key" column status tells the client that a particular column in a row is part of the key for that row. The key is "embedded" in the regular row. If the key column was not specifically requested by the client request, the key column is also a "hidden" column.

- No format information is passed back to the server with the **TDS_KEY** since the server already has that information. The **TDS_KEY** data stream which identifies the client's current row follows the **TDS_CURUPDATE** or **TDS_CURDELETE** data streams.
- If the key changes as a result of the **TDS_CURUPDATE**, the server will return the new key data in a **TDS_KEY** data stream, preceded by a **TDS_ROWFMF** data stream.
- When a client sends a **TDS_KEY** to the server, no **TDS_ROWFMF** data stream is sent. However, when a server sends a **TDS_KEY** data stream to a client, a **TDS_ROWFMF** data stream describing the key data precedes the **TDS_KEY** data stream.
- A **TDS_KEY** data stream consists of **Length** and parameter pairs, one for each parameter described by the associated **TDS_ROWFMF** data stream. The **Length** component doesn't appear if the data is a fixed datatype of standard length, *e.g.*, **TDS_INT2**, **TDS_MONEY**, **TDS_DATETIME**, etc. If the datatype allows nulls then the data will always be preceded by a **Length** argument. Fixed length datatypes that are not of a standard length, *e.g.*, **TDS_CHAR** and **TDS_BINARY** are also preceded by a **Length**.
- The **TDS_PARAMS** data stream has exactly the same format as the **TDS_ROW** and **TDS_KEY** data streams. Three tokens are used for the same data stream in order to provide data stream state information. The formats will remain the same so that client and server code used to encode and decode the data streams can be the same.
- Note that if the cursor update request is made via a language request and not a **TDS_CURUPDATE** data stream, a **TDS_KEY** will not be passed to the server with the request.

Question: Verify when KEY data streams are returned to client.

Examples

See Also

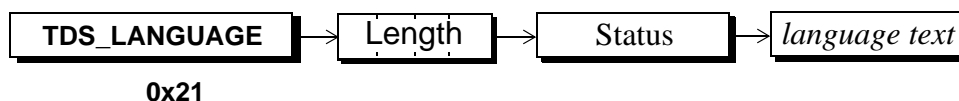
TDS_ROWFMF, TDS_ROW

TDS_LANGUAGE

Function

The token used to send a language command.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_LANGUAGE This is the token that indicates that this is a language command.

Length This is the length, in bytes, of the rest of the token. It includes the status byte and the length of the language command. It is a four-byte, unsigned integer.

Status This status byte is a bit-mask. The only currently defined bit is 0x01 which indicates that the command is parameterized and that **PARAMFMT/PARAM** tokens follow

language text This the text of the language command. Presentation conversion is performed by the server if required.

Comments

- This is the token that is used by a client to send a language command to a server.
- Language commands may be parameterized. In that case, the Status 0x01 bit is set and the character and content of the parameters are described following the **TDS_LANGUAGE** data stream using the **TDS_PARAMFMT** and **TDS_PARAMS** data streams.
- Currently, only one **TDS_LANGUAGE** command is supported per client request.

Examples

See Also

TDS_RPC, TDS_CURDECLARE, TDS_PARAMFMT, TDS_PARAMS

Login Record

Description

This is the record that is sent to request that a dialog be established between a client and a server.

Syntax

typedef struct loginrec

```
{  
    TDS_BYTE      lhostname[TDS_MAXNAME];  
    TDS_BYTE      lhostnlen;  
    TDS_BYTE      lusername[TDS_MAXNAME];  
    TDS_BYTE      lusernlen;  
    TDS_BYTE      lpw[TDS_MAXNAME];  
    TDS_BYTE      lpwnlen;  
    TDS_BYTE      lhostproc[TDS_MAXNAME];  
    TDS_BYTE      lhplen;  
    TDS_BYTE      lint2;  
    TDS_BYTE      lint4;  
    TDS_BYTE      lchar;  
    TDS_BYTE      lflt;  
    TDS_BYTE      ldate;  
    TDS_BYTE      lusedb;  
    TDS_BYTE      ldmpld;  
    TDS_BYTE      linterfespace;  
    TDS_BYTE      ltype;  
    TDS_BYTE      lbufsize[TDS_NETBUF];  
    TDS_BYTE      l spare[3];  
    TDS_BYTE      lappname[TDS_MAXNAME];  
    TDS_BYTE      lappnlen;  
    TDS_BYTE      lservname[TDS_MAXNAME];  
    TDS_BYTE      lservnlen;  
    TDS_BYTE      lrempw[TDS_RPLEN];  
    TDS_BYTE      lrempwlen;  
    TDS_BYTE      ltds[TDS_VERSIZE];  
    TDS_BYTE      lprognam[TDS_PROGNLEN];  
}
```

```
TDS_BYTE      lprognlen;
TDS_BYTE      lprogvers[TDS_VERSIZE];
TDS_BYTE      lnoshort;
TDS_BYTE      lflt4;
TDS_BYTE      ldate4;
TDS_BYTE      llanguage[TDS_MAXNAME];
TDS_BYTE      llanglen;
TDS_BYTE      lsetlang;
/*
** The following 13 bytes were used by 1.0 secure servers. Actually 2 bytes in
** the middle are unused. Since we do not support logins to 1.0 secure servers,
** we can re-use these 13 bytes.
** However, non-secure servers, check if the first 2 bytes are non-zero. If they
** are non-zero, they assume that the user want's to login a secure server and
** reject the login.
*/
TDS_BYTE      loldsecure[TDS_OLDSECURE];
TDS_BYTE      lseclogin;
TDS_BYTE      lsecbulk;
/*
** The following 2 fields were added in specification revision 3.2 to support High
** Availability failover. The lhalogin byte and the 6 lhasessionid bytes were taken from
** the lsecspare bytes, The TDS_SECURE value was reduced from 9 to 2 accordingly.
*/
TDS_BYTE      lhalogin;
TDS_BYTE      lhasessionid[TDS_HA];
TDS_BYTE      lsecspare[TDS_SECURE];
TDS_BYTE      lcharset[TDS_MAXNAME];
TDS_BYTE      lcharsetlen;
TDS_BYTE      lsetcharset;
TDS_BYTE      lpacketize[TDS_PKTLEN];
TDS_BYTE      lpacketizelen;
TDS_BYTE      ldummy[4];
} LOGINREC;
```

Comments

- When a client wants to establish a dialog with a server, a TDS packet is sent that contains a login record. This packet is denoted by a packet header type of **TDS_BUF_LOGIN**. Clients may have more than one dialog to a server but each one is established separately in the same way. The dialogs may be established on different transport connections or over the same one (server-to-server).
- When a client sends a login record to a server, the server will respond with a **TDS_LOGINACK** data stream. The status argument in the **TDS_LOGINACK** data stream will indicate success or failure of the login attempt.
- The size of the login record will not be changed in future releases of TDS. Any additional functionality will be implemented using separate token data streams.

Fields

Table 31: Login Record Fields

Field Name	Possible Values	Description
lhostname		Contains the client's host name.
lhostlen		Length, in bytes, of the client's host name in lhostname.
lusername		Client's user name. This field can be used for authentication.
lusernlen		Length, in bytes, of user name in lusername field.
lpw		Client's password. This field can be used for authentication. However, this field is sent as clear text.
lpwnlen		Length, in bytes of the password in the lpw field.
lhostproc		Process identifier associated with client program. The process identifier is specified as a string of ASCII characters.
lhplen		Length, in bytes, of the process identifier in lhostproc.
lint2	TDS_INT2_LSB_HI (2) TDS_INT2_LSB_LO(3)	Specifies the client byte ordering for two byte integers. TDS_INT2_LSB_HI specifies that the least significant byte is in the high byte (68000 byte ordering). TDS_INT2_LSB_LO specifies that the least significant byte is in the low byte (VAX and 80x86 byte ordering).

Table 31: Login Record Fields

Field Name	Possible Values	Description
lint4	TDS_INT4_LSB_HI (0) TDS_INT4_LSB_LO (1)	This field identifies the client byte-ordering for four-byte integers. TDS_INT4_LSB_HI indicates that the least significant byte is in the high byte (68000 byte ordering). TDS_INT4_LSB_LO indicates that the least significant byte is in the low byte (VAX and 80x86 byte ordering).
lchar	TDS_CHAR_ASCII (6) TDS_CHAR_EBCDIC (7)	This field identifies the type of character representation being used by the client. TDS_CHAR_ASCII indicates that the EBCDIC character set is not being used by the client. The actual character set being used by the client is specified in the lcharset field below. TDS_CHAR_EBCDIC indicates that the EBCDIC character set is being used by the client.
lflt	TDS_FLT_IEEE_HI (4) TDS_FLT_VAXD (5) TDS_FLT_IEEE_LO (10) TDS_FLT_ND5000 (11)	This field identifies the type of floating point representation used by the client. TDS_FLT_IEEE_HI indicates IEEE 754 float type with the least significant byte in the high byte (e.g. Sun). TDS_FLT_VAXD indicates that VAX 'D' floating point format is being used. TDS_FLT_IEEE_LO indicates IEEE 754 float type with the least significant byte in the low byte (e.g. 80x86). TDS_FLT_ND5000 indicates a ND5000 float byte with the least significant byte in the high byte.
ldate	TDS_TWO_I4_LSB_HI (8) TDS_TWO_I4_LSB_LO (9)	This field identifies the type of 8-byte datetime representation used by the client. The 8-byte datetime data type is implemented as two four-byte integers. TDS_TWO_I4_LSB_HI indicates that the least significant integer is the high integer. TDS_TWO_I4_LSB_LO indicates that the least significant integer is the low integer.

Table 31: Login Record Fields

Field Name	Possible Values	Description
linterfacedspare	TDS_LDEFSQL(0) TDS_LXSQL(1) TDS_LSQL(2) TDS_LSQL2_1(3) TDS_LSQL2_2(4) TDS_LOG_SUCCEED(5) TDS_LOG_FAIL(6) TDS_LOG_NEG(7) TDS_LOG_SECSESS_ACK(0x08)	<p>This field is only used in server-server negotiations. Values and meanings here are pulled from SQLServer's version of login header files:</p> <p>server's default SQL will be sent TRANSACTION-SQL will be sent ANSI SQL, version 1 ANSI SQL, version 2, level 1 ANSI SQL, version 2, level 2 Log in succeeded Log in failed Negotiate further LOGINACK status bit.</p> <p>Note that this bit can be set and one of the above status values may be returned in the same byte. i.e. 0x05, 0x06, 0x07, 0x85, 0x86, and 0x87 are the possible values for the status.</p>
ltype	TDS_LSERVER(0x01) TDS_LREMUSER(0x02) TDS_LINTERNAL_RPC(0x04)	<p>This field specifies the type of dialog. Dialog requests come from two sources; directly from a server, or server-to-server. Server-to-server dialogs are differentiated from normal client connections by the ltype field in the login record. If the dialog is specified as a server-to-server type, the lrempw field contains the actual user name and password. TDS_LSERVER indicates that this dialog is a server-to-server type, TDS_LREMUSER indicates that this dialog is a user login through another server TDS_LINTERNAL_RPC indicates allow an internal RPC to be executed in the connection</p>
lbufsize		<p>This field is not currently specified by TDS. However, it was used in the past by certain Sybase products. Because of this, this field will never be specified by TDS.</p>

Table 31: Login Record Fields

Field Name	Possible Values	Description
lspare		This field is not currently specified by TDS. However, it was used in the past by certain Sybase products. Because of this, this field will never be specified by TDS.
lappname		The client application name. The application name defined by the application program. It is different from the program name which is the name of the library that the client is using to manage the communication with the server.
lappnlen		Length, in bytes, of the lappname field.
lservname		<p>The name of the server to which the client is attempting to establish a dialog. CTlib and DBlib set this field to the interfaces file entry which was specified by the application explicitly or via the \$DBQUERY environment variable. This field SHOULD correspond with the @@servername of the server for best results. In server-server rpc's this servname field is passed on to the remote server. If that remote server needs to open a connection back to this server for some reason, it will often use this value to access its local interfaces file.</p> <p>With some gateways (DirectConnect for DB2) this field indicates the name of the desired back-end subsystem.</p> <p>For Adaptive Server Anywhere this field indicates the name of the database which the connection should be made to (the database must already be loaded). If the name in this field doesn't match any currently loaded database the connection silently ends up in the "default" database.</p>

Table 31: Login Record Fields

Field Name	Possible Values	Description
lservnlen		Length, in bytes, of the lservname field.
lrempw		Pairs of remote server name and password fields. This field is used on server-to-server dialogs. See below for a description of the format of this field.
lrempwlen		Length, in bytes, of the lrempw array.
ltds	TDS_5_0_V1(5) TDS_5_0_V2(0) TDS_5_0_V3(0) TDS_5_0_V4(0)	The TDS version requested by the client. This is a four-byte array where each byte specifies a number in the TDS version. The requested TDS version is specified with the major version identifier in the high order byte.
lprogname		The name of the client library that is being used to establish the dialog.
lprognlen		Length, in bytes, of the lprogname.
lprogvers	TDS_CT_5_0_V1(5) TDS_CT_5_0_V2(0) TDS_CT_5_0_V3(0) TDS_CT_5_0_V4(0) TDS_DB_5_0_V1(5) TDS_DB_5_0_V2(0) TDS_DB_5_0_V3(0) TDS_DB_5_0_V4(0)	The version of the client library. This field is a four byte array where each byte specifies a number in the client library version.
lnoshort	TDS_CVT_SHORT(1) TDS_NOCVT_SHORT(0)	This flag indicates whether 4 byte datetime, money, and floating point data types should be automatically converted to 8 byte equivalents. TDS_CVT_SHORT indicates that the short data types should be converted. TDS_NOCVT_SHORT indicates that they should not be converted.

Table 31: Login Record Fields

Field Name	Possible Values	Description
lflt4	TDS_FLT4_IEEE_HI(12) TDS_FLT4_IEEE_LO(13) TDS_FLT4_VAXF(14) TDS_FLT4_ND50004(15)	This is the format of 4 byte floating point numbers that will be used by the client. TDS_FLT4_IEEE_HI IEEE floating point numbers with the least significant byte in the high byte. TDS_FLT4_IEEE_LO IEEE floating point numbers with the least significant byte in the low byte. TDS_FLT4_VAXF indicate a VAX 'F' floating point number. TDS_FLT4_ND50004 indicates ND5000 4 byte floating point format.
ldate4	TDS_TWO_I2_LSB_HI(16) TDS_TWO_I2_LSB_LO(17)	The type of 4 byte datetime representation used by the client. Four byte date time numbers are implemented as two unsigned shorts. TDS_LOW_I2_LSB_HI indicates that the least significant short is in the high byte. TDS_LOW_I2_LSB_LO indicates that the least significant short is in the low byte.
llanguage		The client's requested national language. The default is "english". This is the national language that will be used for error messages. Question: need list of valid national language names.
llanglen		The length, in bytes, of the llanguage field value. If this field is 0 the default server language will be used.
lsetlang	TDS_NOTIFY(1) TDS_NO_NOTIFY(0)	This field indicates whether the client wants to be notified of language changes. TDS_NOTIFY indicates that the client wants to be notified, TDS_NO_NOTIFY indicates that the client does not want to be notified.

Table 31: Login Record Fields

Field Name	Possible Values	Description
loldsecure		This field was used by the original secure server. It is not documented by the TDS specification.
lseclogin	TDS_SEC_LOG_ENCRYPT (0x01) TDS_SEC_LOG_CHALLENGE (0x02) TDS_SEC_LOG_LABELS (0x04) TDS_SEC_LOG_APPDEFINED (0x08)	Negotiated login bit mask.
lsecbulk	TDS_SEC_BULK_LABELED (0x01)	Bulk copy security bit mask.
lhalogin	TDS_HA_LOG_SESSION(0x01) TDS_HA_LOG_RESUME(0x02) TDS_HA_LOG_FAILOVERSRV(0x04)	<p>If the session bit is set, the client is requesting a High-Availability login session. If the server can provide this level of service, it responds with a negotiated login sequence. If login is successful the lhasessionid will be returned to the client.</p> <p>If the HARESUME bit is set then the client is resuming an existing HA session and the lhasessionid has been set.</p> <p>If the HARESUME bit is set, the FAILOVERSRV bit indicates whether this server is the “primary” (FAILOVERSRV is clear) or a “secondary” server (FAILOVERSRV is set) in the cluster.</p> <p>If the failover bit is set, the client is explicitly telling the server that it has already attempted an initial login to the “primary” server for this HA cluster, and is failing over to this, the “secondary”</p> <p>See the HA negotiated login sequence on page 185.</p>

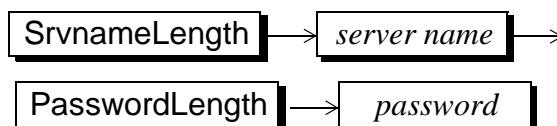
Table 31: Login Record Fields

Field Name	Possible Values	Description
lhasessionid		This field is only meaningful if the TDS_HA_LOG_SESSION and TDS_HA_LOG_RESUME bits are set. The server will attempt to re-establish an existing session which corresponds to this session id.
lsecspare		Spare fields. Not currently used. Reserved for secure server.
lcharset		The name of the character set requested by the client.
lcharsetlen		Length, in bytes, of the lcharset field. If this field is 0 the default server character set will be used.
lsetcharset	TDS_NOTIFY(1) TDS_NO_NOTIFY(0)	This field indicates whether the client wants to be notified of character set changes. TDS_NOTIFY indicates that the client wants to be notified, TDS_NO_NOTIFY indicates that the client does not want to be notified.
lpacketsize		This field contains a character array that specifies the client's requested packet size. Each digit of the requested packet size is represented as an ASCII character. The minimum packet size is 256 bytes and the maximum is 9999 bytes.
lpacketizelen		Length, in bytes, of the lpacketize field. If this field is 0, the default packet size of 512 bytes is used.
ldummy		pad the login record structure to a longword

Remote Password Array Format

The `lrempw` field contains an array of remote server name and user password pairs. The length of this array is in the `lrempwlen` field. This field is used when a server-to-server dialog is established. It is possible for the original client application to pass different passwords to different remote servers.

The format of the `lrempw` array is:



This pattern is repeated once for each remote server/password pair. If the `SrvnameLength` is 0, the password which follows is a “universal password” and will be used for any remote server. If the `PasswordLength` is 0, it means that the password is NULL. The total length of the `lrempw` array is 255 bytes. This limits the total possible number of server name and password pairs to this length.

See Also

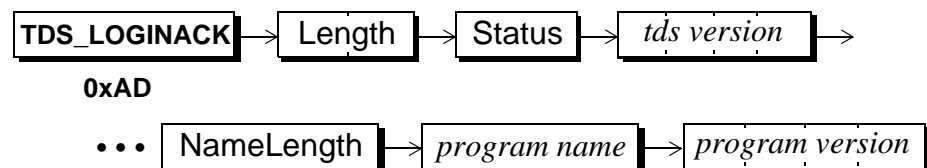
TDS_LOGINACK, TDS_ENVCHANGE

TDS_LOGINACK

Function

The response to token to a login request.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_LOGINACK This is the token used to acknowledge a client login request.

Length This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Status The status of the login request. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer. These are the possible status values.

TDS_LOG_SUCCEED - 5

The login request completed successfully.

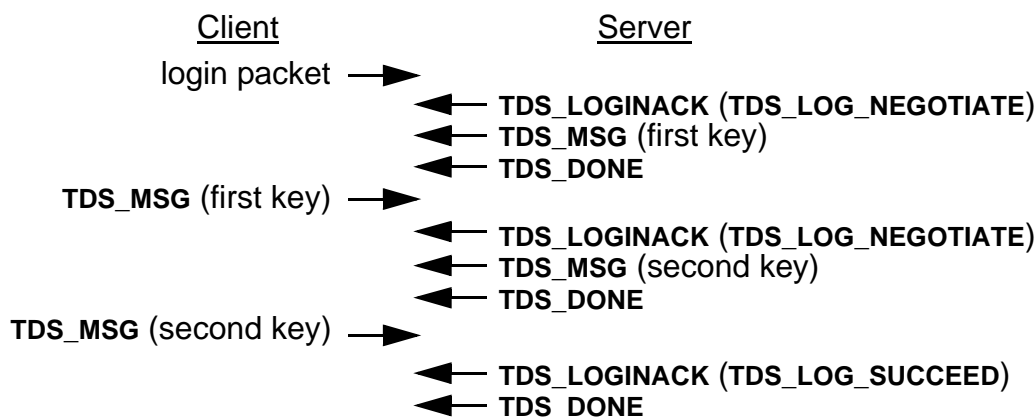
TDS_LOG_FAIL - 6

The login request failed. The client must terminate the dialog and restart to attempt another login request.

TDS_LOG_NEGOTIATE - 7

The server is requesting that the client complete a negotiation before completing the login request. The login negotiation is done using the **TDS_MSG** token.

For example, if a server uses a double-authentication key to verify logins the sequence of events would be:



COMMENTS: Note that each **TDS_MSG** must be followed by a **TDS_PARAMFMT/TDS_PARAM** sequence, even though there are no parameters (`paramfmt.#params = 0`). This is just how the CTLib state machine is define.

tds version

This is the version of TDS that the server is going to use. This argument is an array of four unsigned, one-byte integers. For example, TDS version 5.0.0.0 is 0x05000000.

NameLength

This is the length of the program name argument. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

program name

This is the name of the server program. It's length is in the NameLength argument.

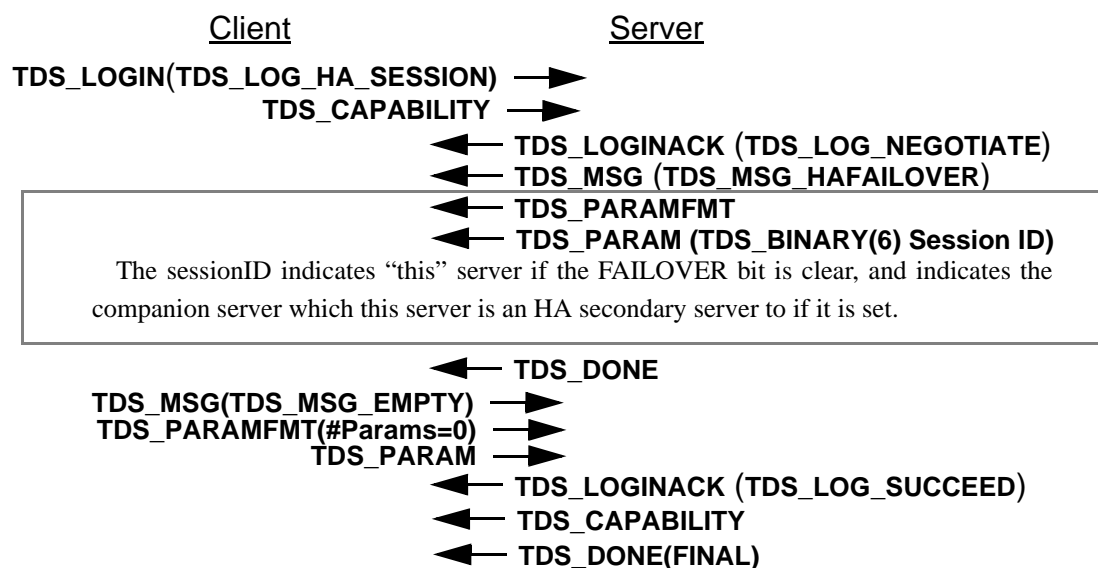
program version

This is the version of the server program. This argument is an array of four unsigned, one-byte integers. For example, SQL Server version 4.0.2 is 0x04000200.

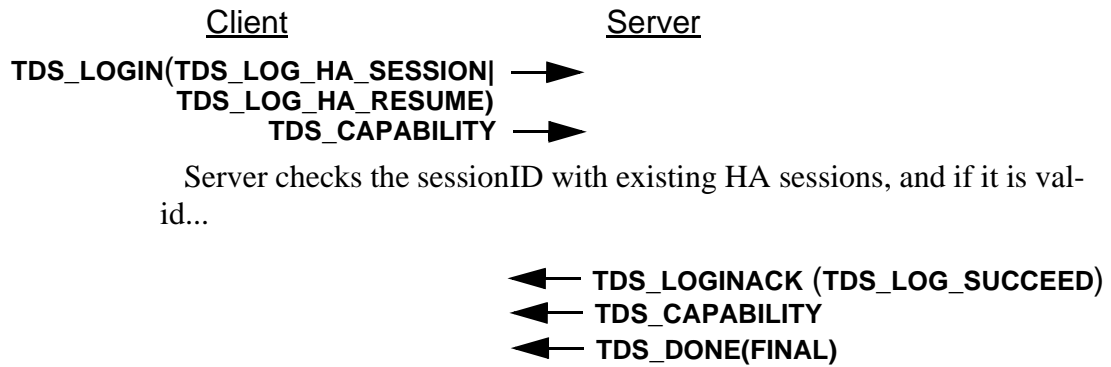
Comments

- A **TDS_LOGINACK** token is always returned to the client whether or not the login attempt has been successful, failed, or is on-going.

- If the login has a status of **TDS_LOG_NEGOTIATE**, the client and server will continue to exchange **TDS_MSG** tokens until the login either succeeds or fails.
- Note that the **Interface** argument in the data stream has been dropped in TDS 5.0. It has been replaced by the **Status** argument.
- With the TDS 5.0 Specification revision, the HA Failover login negotiation sequence was added. If the **HA_SESSION** bit is set and the **HA_RESUME** bit is clear, then the client is requesting a new HA session. The login negotiation proceeds as:



- If the HA_SESSION and HA_RESUME bits are both set then the lhasessionid field in the login request contains the sessionID of the existing session.



Examples

See Also

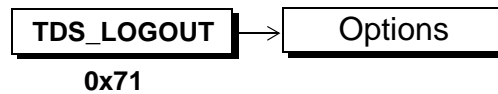
TDS_MSG, login request

TDS_LOGOUT

Function

Client logout request.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_LOGOUT This token is a client logout request.

Options Options is a one-byte, unsigned integer. There are currently no options defined. This argument must be 0x00.

Comments

- This token is used by a client to logout from the server.
- A **TDS_LOGOUT** is acknowledged by the server with a **TDS_DONE**.

Examples

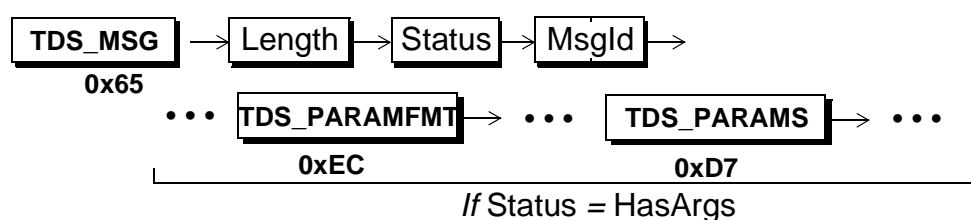
See Also

TDS_MSG

Function

Token to send generic messages between clients and servers.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_MSG

This is token used to send a message to either a client or a server.

Length

This is the total length, in bytes, of the remaining data stream. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

Status

This indicates whether or not the **TDS_MSG** has **TDS_PARAMFMT** and **TDS_PARAMS** following to describe message arguments. If there are no arguments then **Status** is 0x00. If the MSG has arguments then **Status** must be **TDS_MSG_HASARGS (0x01)**. **Status** is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

MsgId

This is the id of the message. Ids are two-byte, unsigned integers. Ids 0 through 32,767 are reserved for the CS/I implementation of TDS. The following ids are reserved:

Table 32: Reserved Message Identifiers

Define	Value	Client Visible	Description
TDS_MSG_SEC_ENCRYPT	1	No	

Table 32: Reserved Message Identifiers

Define	Value	Client Visible	Description
TDS_MSG_SEC_LOGPWD	2	No	
TDS_MSG_SEC_REMPWD	3	No	
TDS_MSG_SEC_CHALLENGE	4	No	
TDS_MSG_SEC_RESPONSE	5	No	
TDS_MSG_SEC_GETLABEL	6	No	
TDS_MSG_SEC_LABEL	7	No	
TDS_MSG_SQL_TBLNAME	8	Yes	CS_MSG_TABLENAME
TDS_MSG_GW_RESERVED	9	No	Used by interoperability group.
TDS_MSG_OMNI_CAPABILITIES	10	No	Used by OMNI SQL Server
TDS_MSG_HAFAILOVER	12	No	Used during login to obtain the HA Session ID
TDS_MSG_EMPTY	13	No	Sometimes a MSG response stream is required by TDS syntax, but the sender has no real information to pass. This message type indicates that the following paramfmt/param streams are meaningless

Comments

- The **TDS_MSG** token is used whenever the client and/or server wish to pass unstructured messages.
- The **TDS_MSG** token is used by both the server and client to implement a negotiated login sequence.

- The **TDS_MSG** token can be interleaved with other TDS tokens. A **TDS_DONE** is not required specifically for the **TDS_MSG** token. If the **TDS_MSG** token is the only token being sent, a **TDS_DONE(FINAL)** is required.
- Message Ids greater than 32k are reserved by TDS for user applications.
- A **TDS_MSG** token from a client is acknowledged by the server with a **TDS_DONE** token.
- The CTlib state machine requires that a **TDS_MSG** always be followed by a **TDS_PARAMFMT**, **TDS_PARAMS** sequence even if the paramfmt.#params = 0.

Examples

See Also

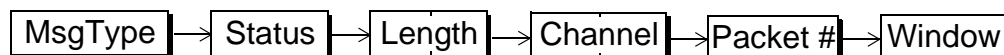
TDS_LOGINACK, TDS_PARAMFMT, TDS_PARAMS

Message Buffer Header

Function

Describes the buffer header used by messages.

Syntax



Arguments

MsgType This one-byte unsigned integer defines the buffer type. The types are:

Table 33: Buffer Types

Define	Value	Description
TDS_BUF_LANG	1	The buffer contains a language command. TDS does not specify the syntax of the language command.
TDS_BUF_LOGIN	2	The buffer contains a login record
TDS_BUF_RPC	3	The buffer contains a remote procedure call command.
TDS_BUF_RESPONSE	4	The buffer contains the response to a command.
TDS_BUF_UNFMT	5	The buffer contains raw unformatted data.
TDS_BUF_ATTN	6	The buffer contains a non-expedited attention request.
TDS_BUF_BULK	7	The buffer contains bulk binary data.
TDS_BUF_SETUP	8	A protocol request to setup another logical channel. This buffer is a header only and does not contain any data.
TDS_BUF_CLOSE	9	A protocol request to close a logical channel. This buffer is a header only and does not contain any data.

Table 33: Buffer Types

Define	Value	Description
TDS_BUF_ERROR	10	A resource error was detected while attempting to setup or use a logical channel. This buffer is a header only and does not contain any data.
TDS_BUF_PROTACK	11	A protocol acknowledgment associated with the logical channel windowing protocol. This buffer is a header only and does not contain any data.
TDS_BUF_ECHO	12	A protocol request to echo the data contained in the buffer.
TDS_BUF_LOGOUT	13	A protocol request to logout an active logical channel. This buffer is a header only and does not contain any data.
TDS_BUF_ENDPARAM	14	What is this???
TDS_BUF_NORMAL	15	This packet contains a tokenized TDS request or response.
TDS_BUF_URGENT	16	This packet contains an urgent tokenized TDS request or response.
TDS_BUF_CMDSEQ_NORMAL	24	SQL Anywhere CMDSEQ protocol
TDS_BUF_CMDSEQ_LOGIN	25	SQL Anywhere CMDSEQ protocol
TDS_BUF_CMDSEQ_LIVENESS	26	SQL Anywhere CMDSEQ protocol
TDS_BUF_CMDSEQ_RESERVED1	27	SQL Anywhere CMDSEQ protocol
TDS_BUF_CMDSEQ_RESEVERD2	28	SQL Anywhere CMDSEQ protocol

Status This is a bit field used to indicate the message status. **Status** is a one-byte unsigned integer.

Table 34: Status Values

Define	Value	Description
TDS_BUFSTAT_EOM	0x01	This is the last buffer in a request or a response.
TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTNACK	0x02	This is an acknowledgment to the last received attention.
TDS_BUFSTAT_ATTN	0x04	This is an attention request buffer.
TDS_BUFSTAT_EVENT	0x08	This is an event notification buffer.
TDS_BUFSTAT_ENCRYPT	0x20	The buffer is encrypted (SQL Anywhere CMDSEQ protocol)

Length **Length** is the size of the buffer including the eight bytes in the buffer header. It is the number of bytes from the start of this header to the start of the next buffer header. For example, if there are 504 bytes of data in the buffer, **Length** will be 512. **Length** is a two-byte, unsigned integer. Regardless of the hardware architecture of either the server or the client, **Length** is represented by <MSB, LSB>. The most significant byte is first, followed by the least significant byte.

Channel This is the channel number of the logical dialog. It is used for multiplexing dialogs across the same physical connection. If multiplexing is not being used **Channel** must be set to 0. **Channel** is a two-byte, unsigned integer. Regardless of the hardware architecture of either the server or the client, **Length** is represented by <MSB, LSB>. The most significant byte is first, followed by the least significant byte.

Packet # This is used for numbering buffers that contain data in addition to the buffer header. It is only significant when multiplexing. Each time a data buffer is sent the value of **Packet** is incremented, modulo 256. **Packet** is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

Window

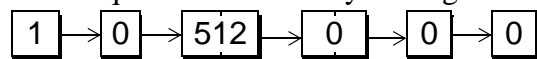
This is used to control the number of buffers which will be sent before an acknowledgment is received. Acknowledgments are sent using **TDS_BUF_PROTACK** type buffers. The receiving side defines its buffering limit, which it reports in the Window field of each **TDS_BUF_PROTACK** buffer and in the **TDS_BUF_SETUP** buffer. A **TDS_BUF_SETUP** buffer must always be acknowledged immediately so that the site that initiated the dialog can be informed of the window size it uses. The sending side cannot send a buffer if the receiving side has not acknowledged enough buffers and might have to buffer more than its window size. Window is a one-byte, unsigned integer. If not multiplexing, window size must be set to 0.

Comments

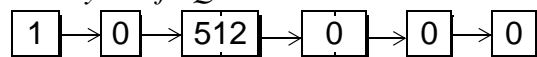
- Requests and responses between clients and servers are passed in buffers. Every buffer has a message buffer header which describes the buffer's type, length, and status information.
- Clients and servers send logical messages to each other. A logical message may consist of multiple buffers. The last buffer in a logical message has the EOM bit set in the Status field.
- All multi-byte fields in the message buffer header are in a fixed byte and bit order. The two-byte integers are represented by <MSB,LSB> which matches the data representation used by the 68000 but is reverse of the 80x86 and the VAX. The most significant byte is first, followed by the least significant byte.

Examples

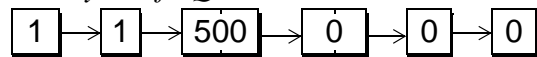
To send a request that is 1500 bytes long the headers sent look like:



504 bytes of SQL command



504 bytes of SQL command



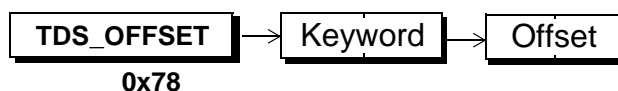
492 bytes of SQL command

TDS_OFFSET

Function

Returns the offset of the specified keyword in the language command buffer.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_OFFSET This is the token for keyword offset information.

Keyword This is the keyword to which the **Offset** applies. This argument is a two-byte, unsigned integer. The following keywords are supported:

TDS_OFF_SELECT - 0x016D

TDS_OFF_FROM - 0x014F

TDS_OFF_ORDER - 0x0165

TDS_OFF_COMPUTE - 0x0139

TDS_OFF_TABLE - 0x0173

TDS_OFF_PROC - 0x016A

TDS_OFF_STMT - 0x01CB

TDS_OFF_PARAM - 0x01C4

Offset This is the offset into the command buffer where **Keyword** begins. The first byte in a command buffer is byte number 0. **Offset** is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Comments

- This token is used to tell a client where a particular key word appears in a command buffer. This allows a client to use a server to perform primitive parsing. For example, if a client wants to know each place in a command buffer the keyword `from` appears the information can be returned via this token.
- The appropriate language option must be set for offsets to be returned.

Examples**See Also**

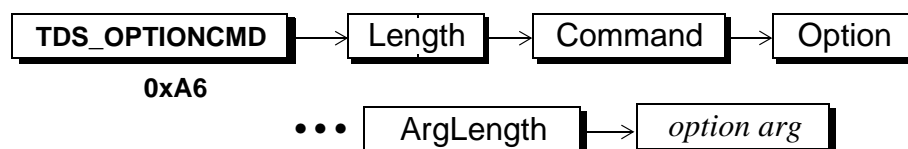
`TDS_OPTIONCMD`

TDS_OPTIONCMD

Function

Clear, set, and report on options.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_OPTIONCMD This is the token used to get, set, or clear options.

Length This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining data stream for this token. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

Command This is the option. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer. The possible Commands are:

Table 35: Option Commands

Command	Value	Description
TDS_OPT_SET	1	Set an option.
TDS_OPT_DEFAULT	2	Set option to its default value.
TDS_OPT_LIST	3	Request current setting of a specific option.
TDS_OPT_INFO	4	Report current setting of a specific option.

Option The option being manipulated by this option command. A complete list of all supported options is below. Option is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

ArgLength This defines the length, in bytes, of the following option arg. It is an unsigned one-byte integer.

option arg This is the parameter that applies to the option listed in Option. The format of this argument is based on the option. See the table below. The length of this argument is in the ArgLength argument.

Comments

- This is the token used by both the client and server to set, clear, check, or return information about options.
- A Command to **TDS_OPT_SET** must specify the option being set in Option. The value to set it to must be sent in OptionArg. Arglength must be set correctly for OptionArg.
- A Command of **TDS_OPT_DEFAULT** must specify the option to set to the server's default in the Option argument. ArgLength must be set to 0.
- A Command of **TDS_OPT_LIST** must specify the option on which information is being requested in the Option argument. ArgLength must be set to 0.
- A Command of **TDS_OPT_SET** or **TDS_OPT_DEFAULT** is acknowledged with a **TDS_DONE(FINAL)**. The error bit is set in the **TDS_DONE** if the option request was not processed successfully.
- The **TDS_OPT_LIST** command is acknowledged by a server using the **TD_OPT_INFO** command. The **TDS_OPT_INFO** command contains the option specified in the **TDS_OPT_LIST** command in Option, and the current value of this option in OptionArg. ArgLength must be set correctly for OptionArg. A **TDS_DONE(FINAL)** is also sent following the **TDS_OPT_LIST** token.
- There is no way to request a server to return the values for all known options.
- A complete list of all supported options is:

Table 36: Supported Options

Name	Value	Description
TDS_OPT_UNUSED	0	Used to specify no option.

Table 36: Supported Options

Name	Value	Description
TDS_OPT_DATEFIRST	1	Set first day of week.
TDS_OPT_TEXTSIZE	2	Set maximum text size.
TDS_OPT_STAT_TIME	3	Return server time statistics.
TDS_OPT_STAT_IO	4	Return server I/O statistics.
TDS_OPT_ROWCOUNT	5	Set maximum row count to return.
TDS_OPT_NATLANG	6	Change national language.
TDS_OPT_DATEFORMAT	7	Set date format.
TDS_OPT_ISOLATION	8	Transaction isolation level.
TDS_OPT_AUTHON	9	Set authority level on.
TDS_OPT_CHARSET	10	Change character set.
TDS_OPT_SHOWPLAN	13	Show execution plan.
TDS_OPT_NOEXEC	14	Do not execute query.
TDS_OPT_ARITHIGNOREON	15	Set arithmetic exception handling.
TDS_OPT_ARITHABORTON	17	Set arithmetic abort handling.
TDS_OPT_PARSEONLY	18	Parse the query only. Return error messages.
TDS_OPT_GETDATA	20	Return trigger data.
TDS_OPT_NOCOUNT	21	Do not return done count.
TDS_OPT_FORCEPLAN	23	Forces substitution order for joins in the order of the tables provided in this option.
TDS_OPT_FORMATONLY	24	Send format information only.
TDS_OPT_CHAINXACTS	25	Set chained transaction mode.
TDS_OPT_CURCLOSEONXACT	26	Close all open cursors at end of transaction.

Table 36: Supported Options

Name	Value	Description
TDS_OPT_FIPSFLAG	27	Enable FIPs flagging.
TDS_OPT_RESTREES	28	Return resolution trees.
TDS_OPT_IDENTITYON	29	Turn on explicit identity.
TDS_OPT_CURREAD	30	Set session label @@curread.
TDS_OPT_CURWRITE	31	Set session label @@curwrite.
TDS_OPT_IDENTITYOFF	32	Turn off explicit identity.
TDS_OPT_AUTHOFF	33	Turn authority off.
TDS_OPT_ANSINULL	34	Support ANSI null data.
TDS_OPT_QUOTED_IDENT	35	Quoted identifiers.
TDS_OPT_ARITHIGNOREOFF	36	Turn off arithmetic exceptions.
TDS_OPT_ARITHABORTOFF	37	Turn off arithmetic aborts.
TDS_OPT_TRUNCABORT	38	Abort on truncation.

- The table below summarizes the option arguments. It includes the defined argument length and defined values for the option value.

Table 37: Option Arguments

Name	Argument Length	Option Argument
TDS_OPT_DATEFIRST	1 byte	TDS_OPT_MONDAY(1) TDS_OPT_TUESDAY(2) TDS_OPT_WEDNESDAY(3) TDS_OPT_THURSDAY(4) TDS_OPT_FRIDAY(5) TDS_OPT_SATURDAY(6) TDS_OPT_SUNDAY(7)

Table 37: Option Arguments

Name	Argument Length	Option Argument
TDS_OPT_TEXTSIZE	4 bytes	Size in bytes. XDR is performed on this field.
TDS_OPT_STAT_TIME	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_STAT_IO	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_ROWCOUNT	4 bytes	Number of rows. XDR is performed on this field.
TDS_OPT_NATLANG	Arg length	National language string (7 bit ASCII).
TDS_OPT_DATEFORMAT	1 byte	TDS_OPT_FMTMDY(1) TDS_OPT_FMTDMY(2) TDS_OPT_FMTYMD(3) TDS_OPT_FMTYDM(4) TDS_OPT_FMTMYD(5) TDS_OPT_FMTDYM(6)
TDS_OPT_ISOLATION	1 byte	TDS_OPT_LEVEL1(1) TDS_OPT_LEVEL3(3)
TDS_OPT_AUTHON	Arg length	Authorization level string (7 bit ASCII).
TDS_OPT_CHARSET	Arg length	Character set string (7 bit ASCII).
TDS_OPT_SHOWPLAN	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_NOEXEC	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_ARITHIGNOREON	4 bytes	TDS_OPT_ARITHOVERFLOW(0x01) TDS_OPT_NUMERICTRUNC(0x02)
TDS_OPT_ARITHABORTON	4 bytes	TDS_OPT_ARITHOVERFLOW(0x01) TDS_OPT_NUMERICTRUNC(0x02)
TDS_OPT_PARSEONLY	1 byte	Boolean

Table 37: Option Arguments

Name	Argument Length	Option Argument
TDS_OPT_GETDATA	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_NOCOUNT	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_FORCEPLAN	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_FORMATONLY	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_CHAINXACTS	1byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_CURCLOSEONXACT	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_FIPSFLAG	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_RESTREES	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_IDENTITYON	Arg length	Table name string (7 bit ASCII).
TDS_OPT_CURREAD	Arg length	Read label string (7 bit ASCII).
TDS_OPT_CURWRITE	Arg length	Write label string (7 bit ASCII).
TDS_OPT_IDENTITYOFF	Arg length	Table name string (7 bit ASCII).
TDS_OPT_AUTHOFF	Arg length	Authorization level string (7 bit ASCII).
TDS_OPT_ANSINULL	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_QUOTED_IDENT	1 byte	Boolean
TDS_OPT_ARITHIGNOREOFF	4 bytes	TDS_OPT_ARITHOVERFLOW(0x01) TDS_OPT_NUMERICTRUNC(0x02)
TDS_OPT_ARITHABORTOFF	4 bytes	TDS_OPT_ARITHOVERFLOW(0x01) TDS_OPT_NUMERICTRUNC(0x02)

Table 37: Option Arguments

Name	Argument Length	Option Argument
TDS_OPT_TRUNCABORT	1 byte	Boolean

- Boolean option arguments are sent using **TDS_OPT_FALSE(0)** and **TDS_OPT_TRUE(1)**.

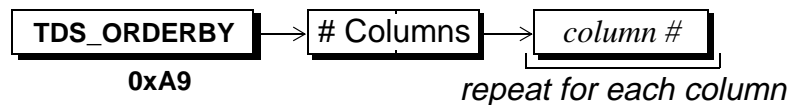
Examples**See Also****TDS_CAPABILITY**

TDS_ORDERBY

Function

Describes the columns in an “order by” clause of a select.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ORDERBY

This is the token that indicates that this is column order information.

Columns

This is the number of columns in the order-by clause. This argument is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

column #

This is the number of column that is in the order-by clause. The first column in the select list is number 1. For example, in the statement:

```
select empid, lastname, firstname  
from employees  
order by lastname, firstname
```

the order-by columns are columns 2 and 3. This argument is a one-byte unsigned integer.

Comments

- This token is used to describe the columns in an order-by clause of a select list.
- There will always be a least one *column #* defined by a **TDS_ORDERBY** token.

Example

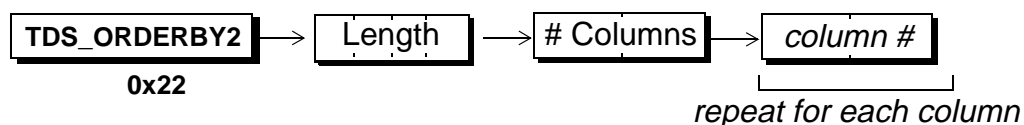
See Also

TDS_ORDERBY2

Function

Describes the columns in an “order by” clause of a select.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ORDERBY2

This is the token that indicates that this is column

order information.

Length

This 4 byte integer indicates the length of the remaining stream.

Columns

This is the number of columns in the order-by clause. This argument is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

column #

This is the number of column that is in the order-by clause. The first column in the select list is number 1. For example, in the statement:

```
select empid, lastname, firstname  
from employees  
order by lastname, firstname
```

the order-by columns are columns 2 and 3. This argument is a two-byte unsigned integer.

Comments

- This token is identical is use to the **TDS_ORDERBY** token, but has was introduced to support > 255 columns in the result set.
- The **TDS_ORDERBY** token does not include a separate Length field since the column# information was being expressed as 1-byte integers - thus the #Columns value correctly indicates the remaining length of the token and was not repeated.

- Servers should only return this token if the **TDS_ORDERBY2** Response Capability bit is true - otherwise the client does not know this token (added in version 3.4 of this specification).

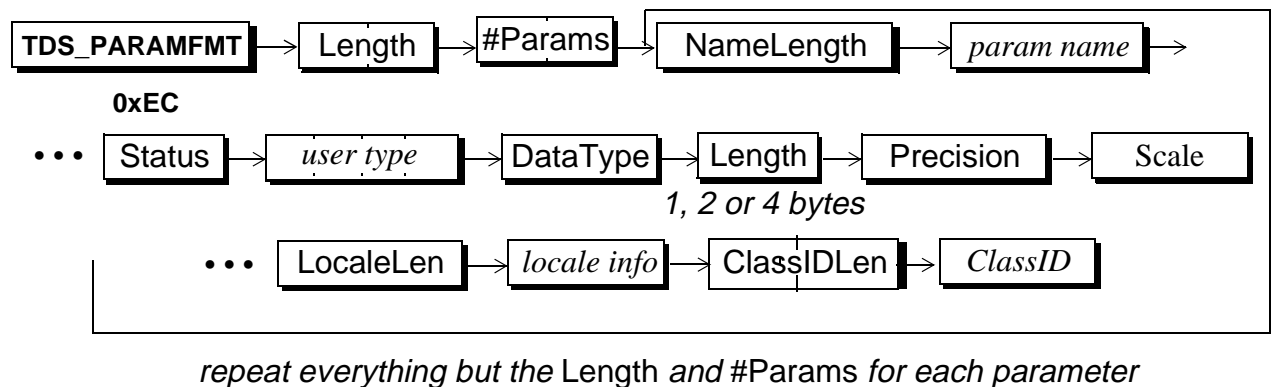
Example**See Also**

TDS_PARAMFMT

Function

The token describing the data type, length, and status of **TDS_PARAMS** data.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_PARAMFMT This is the command token used to describe parameter data.

Length This length specifies the number of bytes remaining in the datastream. It is an unsigned, two-byte integer.

#Params This argument specifies the number of parameters being described. It is an unsigned, two-byte integer.

NameLength This is the length of the parameter name which follows. Since parameter names may be NULL, **NameLength** may be 0. If **NameLength** is 0, no *param name* argument follows. **NameLength** is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

param name This is the name of the parameter being described. It's length is described by the preceding parameter. Parameter names are optional.

Status This field is used to describe any non-datatype characteristics of the data. For example, when remote procedure calls use **TDS_PARAMFMT** to describe their parameters' format, the **TDS_PARAM_RETURN** status marks a parameter as an *output* parameter, *i.e.*, passed by reference, in effect. **Status** is a one-byte, unsigned integer. The valid status bits and values are:

Table 38: Valid Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_PARAM_RETURN	0x01	This is a return parameter. It is like a parameter passed by reference.
TDS_PARAM_NULLALLOWED	0x20	This parameter can be NULL

user type This is the user-defined data type of the parameter. It is a signed, four-byte integer.

DataType This is the datatype of the data. It is a one-byte unsigned integer. Datatypes which are fixed, standard length (1, 2, 4, or 8 bytes) are represented by a single datatype byte and have no **Length** parameter following. The *text* and *image* datatypes are not currently supported as parameter datatypes. * **DataType** is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

The rest of the fields in the repeating datatype descriptions are as described in the Format description for the corresponding **DataType** see section on page 109

Length This is the maximum length, in bytes, of **DataType**. It is a one-byte unsigned integer or a four-byte, signed integer. The size of **Length** depends on the **DataType**. If the preceding **DataType** is a fixed length datatype of standard length, *e.g.*, *int1*, *int2*, *datetime*, *etc.*, there is no **Length** argument.

*

Precision This is the precision associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the parameter is a numeric or decimal data type.

Scale This is the scale associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the parameter is a numeric or decimal data type.

LocaleLen This is the length of the localization information, if any, which follows. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer which may be 0. If the length is 0, no localization information follows.

locale info This is the localization information for the parameter. It is character string whose length is given by **LocaleLen**.

ClassIDLen This is the 2-byte length of the **ClassID**, if any, which follows. This length field is only present if the **DataType** is **TDS_BLOB**.

ClassID This is the class identification information for BLOB types. Its length in bytes is given by the preceding **ClassIDLen** value. If **ClassIDLen** is missing because this is not a **TDS_BLOB** data format, or if **ClassIDLen** is 0, then this field is absent.

Comments

- This is the token used to provide a description of data. It is just like the old **TDS_COLNAME** and **TDS_COLFMT** tokens except that it provides a parameter name and Status for each **DataType**.
- This token is used to describe **TDS_PARAMS** data. Parameter data is sent with parameterized *cursor declares*, *opens*, and *updates* as well as for parameter language statements and messages.
- It is illegal to send a **TDS_PARAMFMT** data stream with zero parameters.
- Each parameter must be described in a **TDS_PARAMFMT** data stream. Only one parameter can be sent for each **TDS_PARAMFMT** description. For example, it is illegal to send a **TDS_PARAMFMT** that contains a description of two parameters, and then send multiple **TDS_PARAMS** data streams, each with two parameters. Each parameter sent from a client or server in a **TDS_PARAMS** data stream must be preceded by a description in a **TDS_PARAMFMT** data stream.

- The **TDS_PARAMFMT** token has exactly the same format as the **TDS_ROW_FMT** token. Two tokens are used to provide state information. The formats will remain the same so that client and server code used to encode and decode the tokens can be the same.
- The **TDS_PARAMFMT/PARAMS** tokens are used to send return parameters to a client if the **TDS_RES_NOPARAM** capability bit is false.

Examples

See Also

Data types, **TDS_PARAMFMT2**, **TDS_ROW**, **TDS_ROW_FMT**, **TDS_PARAMS** |

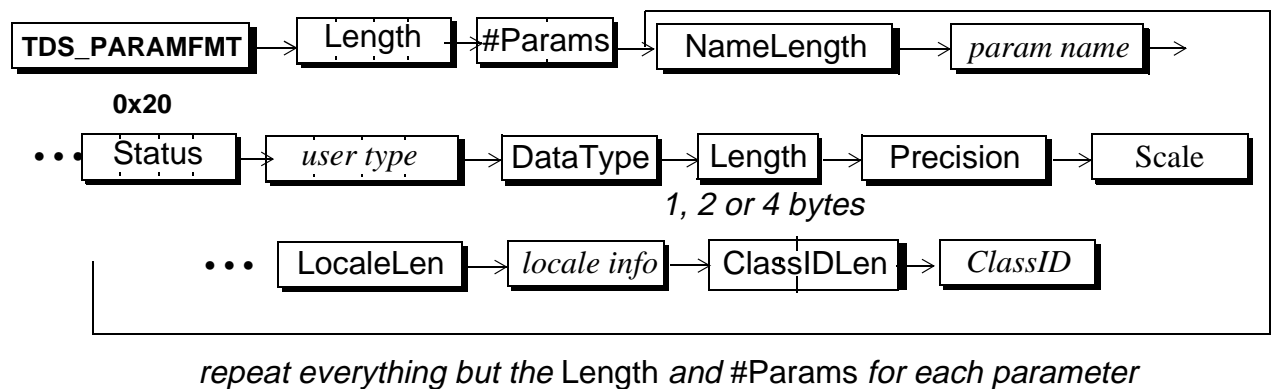
TDS_PARAMFMT2

Function

The token describing the data type, length, and status of **TDS_PARAMS** data.

It is identical to the **TDS_PARAMFMT** token except that the length field is 4 bytes long (to accomodate a greater number of parameters in/out) and the Status field has been expanded to 4 bytes (status bits were nearly used up).

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_PARAMFMT2 This is the command token used to describe parameter data.

Length This length specifies the number of bytes remaining in the datastream. It is an unsigned, four-byte integer.

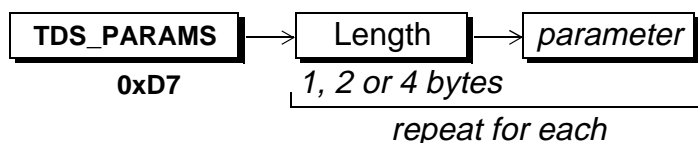
Refer to the **TDS_PARAMFMT** token for further documentation of fields.

TDS_PARAMS

Function

The token for parameter data.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_PARAMS This is the command token to send parameter data.

Length This is the *actual*, as opposed to *maximum*, data length, in bytes, of the *parameter* data. If the parameter data is a fixed length data type of standard length, e.g., ints, floats, datetimes, then there is no **Length** argument. **Length** is either a one-byte, unsigned integer, an unsigned, two-byte integer, or a signed, four-byte integer. The size of **Length** depends on the data types of the data.

parameter This is the actual data for the parameter. Its length, if variable, is indicated by the preceding **Length** argument. It is in the format specified by the client in the login request. The server always does any translation so that the client receives data in its native format.*

Comments

- This is the token that contains the parameter data described by a preceding **TDS_PARAMFMT** data stream.

* See previous note.

- A **TDS_PARAMS** token consists of **Length** and *parameter* pairs, one for each parameter described by a preceding **TDS_PARAMFMT** token. The **Length** component doesn't appear if the data is a fixed data type of standard length, e.g., **INT2**, **MONEY**, **DATETIME**, *etc.* If the data type allows nulls then the data will always be preceded by a **Length** argument. Fixed length datatypes that are not of a standard length, e.g., **CHAR** and **BINARY** are also preceded by a **Length**.
- The **TDS_PARAMS** token has exactly the same format as the **TDS_ROW** and **TDS_KEY** tokens. Three tokens are used for the same data stream to provide data stream state information. The formats will remain the same so that client and server code used to encode and decode the data streams can be the same.
- The **TDS_PARAMS** token may appear repeatedly after a **TDS_PARAMFMT** token. A **TDS_DONE** must be sent after all the **TDS_PARAM** tokens for a particular **TDS_PARAMFMT**.

Examples

See Also

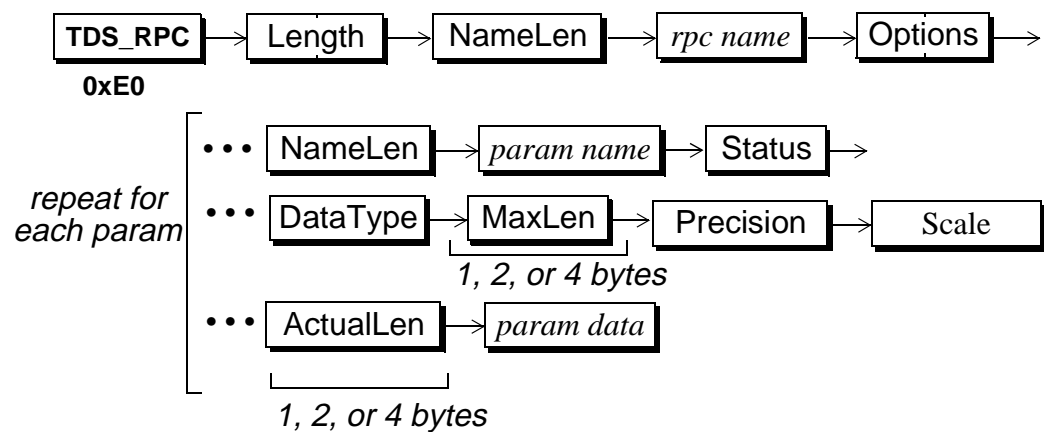
TDS_PARAMFMT, **TDS_ROW**, **TDS_KEY**

TDS_RPC

Function

Describes the data stream which contains a remote procedure call request. This token is obsolete.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_RPC This is the command token to send an RPC request.

Length This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining **TDS_RPC** data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

NameLen This is length, in bytes, of the RPC name. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

rpc name This is the name of the RPC. Its length, in bytes, is given by the preceding argument.

Options

This is a bit mask which contains options related to the RPC. The mask is a two-byte, unsigned integer. The defined options are:

Table 39: RPC Option Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_RPC_UNUSED	0x0000	Option argument is not used.
TDS_RPC_RECOMPILE	0x0001	Recompile the RPC before execution.

NameLen

This the length, in bytes, of the parameter name. It may be 0. The argument is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

param name

This the parameter name. Its length, in bytes, is given by the preceding argument. If **NameLen** is 0, the *param name* argument will not be included in the data stream.

Status

This is a one-byte, unsigned integer which is used as a bit field. It indicates any special status for the particular parameter being described. The possible Status values are:

Table 40: Status Field Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_RPC_STATUS_UNUSED	0x00	The status argument is not used.
TDS_RPC_OUTPUT	0x01	This value of this parameter will be returned to the client. It may contain an original value, but it may be changed. Return parameters are returned using the TDS_RETURNVALUE token.
TDS_RPC_NODEF	0x02	This indicates that there is no default value for this parameter. The value of this parameter is undefined. This bit is only valid with TDS_RPC_OUTPUT .

DataType This is the data type of the parameter and is a one-byte unsigned integer. Datatypes which are fixed, standard length (1, 2, 4, or 8 bytes) are represented by a single data type byte and have no **MaxLen** or **ActualLen** parameters following. Variable data types are followed by a length which gives the maximum length, in bytes, for the data type.

MaxLen This is the maximum length, in bytes, of the preceding **DataType**. The size of **MaxLen** depends on the data type. If the preceding **DataType** is a fixed length data type of standard length, *e.g.*, *int1*, *int2*, *datetime*, *etc.*, there is no **MaxLen** argument.

Precision This is the precision associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the parameter is a numeric or decimal data type.

Scale This is the scale associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the parameter is a numeric or decimal data type.

ActualLen This is the actual length, in bytes, of the following *param data* field. The size of **ActualLen** depends on the data type.* If the preceding **DataType** is a fixed length data type of standard length, *e.g.*, *int1*, *int2*, *datetime*, *etc.*, there is no **ActualLen** argument.

param data This is the actual parameter data. Its length, if variable, is indicated by the preceding **ActualLen** argument. It is in the native format of the client machine. For example, if the client is running on a SUN and the server on a VAX, the representation of the INT4 data type has different byte ordering. The server always does any byte swapping so that the client receives the data in native format.

Comments

- This token is used by a client to make an RPC request to a server.
- Currently, only one **TDS_RPC** token per request is allowed.
- RPC return parameters for the **TDS_RPC** token are returned using the **TDS_RETURNVALUE** token.

*. See previous note.

- Note that the total length of the RPC information is limited to 64k-1. Because of this, this token has been replaced by the **TDS_DBRPC** token. It should not be used in any new products.
- The **TDS_RPC** token should be used by clients only if the **TDS_REQ_PARAM** capability bit is false.

Examples

See Also

TDS_RETURNVALUE, TDS_DBRPC.

TDS_RETURNSTATUS

Function

Describes the token which is used to return status information to a client.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_RETURNSTATUS This is the token used to return status information.

value This is the value of the return status. It is a four-byte, signed integer. Note that the value may not be *null*.

Comments

- This is the token that is used to return a status code to a client.
- When a remote procedure call is executed on a server, a return status value may be returned.
- Only one **TDS_RETURNSTATUS** per RPC is allowed.

Examples

See Also

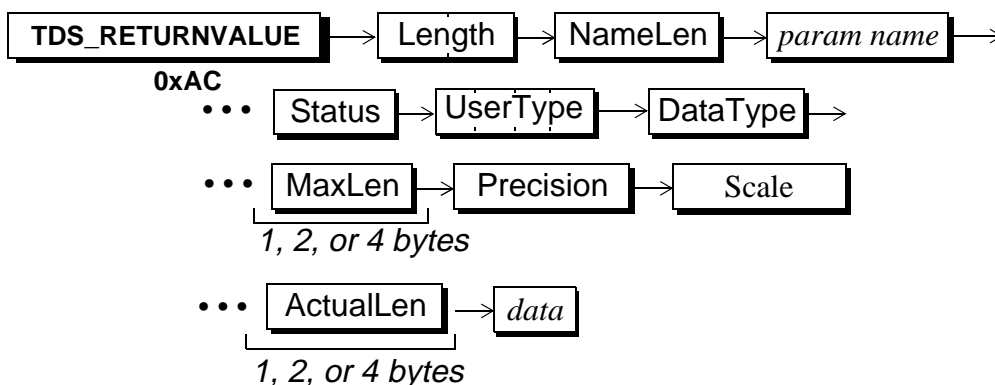
TDS_RETURNVALUE

TDS_RETURNVALUE

Function

Return parameter information to a client.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_RETURNVALUE This is the token that indicates that is used to return parameter information to a client.

Length This is the length, in bytes, of the remaining **TDS_RETURNVALUE** data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.

NameLen This is length, in bytes, of the name, if any, of the return parameter. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer.

param name This is the name of the return parameter. Its length, in bytes, is given by the preceding argument. If **NameLen** is 0, then the *param name* field is omitted from the data stream.

Status

This is a one-byte, unsigned integer which is used as a bit field. It indicates any special status for the particular parameter being described. The possible Status values are:

Table 41: Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_PARAM_UNUSED	0x00	The status field is not used.
TDS_PARAM_RETURN	0x08	This indicates that the return value was originally sent to the server as an output parameter in an RPC.

UserType

This is the user-defined data type, if any, for the returned value. It is a signed, four-byte integer. If there is no **UserType** for return value **UserType** will be 0.

DataType

This is the datatype of the return value and is a one-byte unsigned integer. Datatypes which are fixed, standard length (1, 2, 4, or 8 bytes) are represented by a single datatype byte and have no **MaxLen** or **Actual Len** arguments following. Variable datatypes are followed by a length which gives the maximum length, in bytes, for the datatype.

MaxLen

This is the maximum length, in bytes, of the preceding **DataType**. The size of **MaxLen** depends on the data type. If the preceding **DataType** is a fixed length data type of standard length, *e.g.*, *int1*, *int2*, *datetime*, *etc.*, there is no **MaxLen** argument in this data stream.

Precision

This is the precision associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the parameter is a numeric or decimal data type.

Scale

This is the scale associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the parameter is a numeric or decimal data type.

ActualLen

This is the actual length, in bytes, of the following *param data* argument. The size of **ActualLen** depends on the data type. If the preceding **DataType** is a fixed length datatype of standard length, *e.g.*, *int1*, *int2*, *datetime*, *etc.*, there is no **ActualLen** argument in this data stream.

data

This is the actual data for the parameter. Its length, if variable, is indicated by the preceding **ActualLen** argument. It is in the native format of the client machine. For example, if the client is running on a SUN and the server on a VAX, the representation of the INT4 data type has different byte ordering. The server always does any byte swapping so that the client receives the data in native format.

Comments

- This is the token that is used by a server to return a value to the client.
- When remote procedure calls (stored procedures) are executed, the parameters may be designated as *output* or *return* parameters. This data stream is used to return a description of the return parameter and the value of the return parameter to the client application.
- There may be multiple return values per RPC. There is a separate **TDS_RETURNVALUE** data stream for each parameter returned.
- Return parameters are sent in the order in which they were defined in the procedure.
- The **MaxLen** and **ActualLen** components don't appear if the return value is a fixed data type of standard length, *e.g.*, **INT2**, **MONEY**, **DATETIME**. Parameters that are fixed length data types that are not of a standard length, *e.g.*, **CHAR** and **BINARY** include **MaxLen** and **ActualLen**.
- The **TDS_RETURNVALUE** data stream limits the total length of return parameters to 64K-1. Because of this restriction this token has been replaced with the **TDS_PARAMFMT/PARAMS** tokens to return parameters to a client.
- The **TDS_RETURNVALUE** token should only be used to return parameters to a client if the **TDS_RES_NOPARAM** capability bit is true.
- This token is obsolete and should not be used in any new products.

Examples

See Also

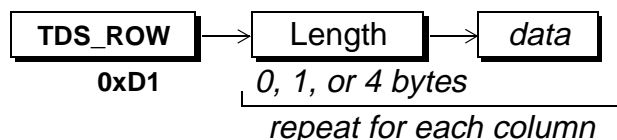
TDS_RPC

TDS_ROW

Function

A row of data.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ROW

This is the token that is used to send row data.

Length

This is the *actual*, as opposed to *maximum*, data length, in bytes, of the following *data*. If the following column data is a fixed length data type of standard length, e.g., ints, floats, datetimes, then there is no **Length** argument. **Length** is either a one-byte, unsigned integer, an unsigned, two-byte integer, or a signed, four-byte integer. The size of **Length** depends on the data type of the data.

data

This is the actual data for the column data. Its length, if variable, is indicated by the preceding **Length** argument. It is in the format specified in the login record of the client request. The server always does any translation so that the client receives data in its expected format.

Comments

- This is the token that contains the data for one row.
- A **TDS_ROW_FMT** token was used to describe the data sent in the **TDS_ROW** token.

- A **TDS_ROW** token consists of **Length** and data pairs, one for each column described by a preceding **TDS_ROW_FMT** token. The **Length** argument doesn't appear if the data is a fixed length data type of standard length, e.g., INT2, MONEY, DATETIME, etc. If the data type allows nulls then the data will always be preceded by a **Length** argument. Fixed length data types that are not of a standard length, e.g., CHAR and BINARY are also preceded by a **Length**.
- The **TDS_ROW** token has exactly the same format as the **TDS_PARAMS** and **TDS_KEY** tokens.
- A separate **TDS_ROW** token is used for each row in a result set.

Examples

See Also

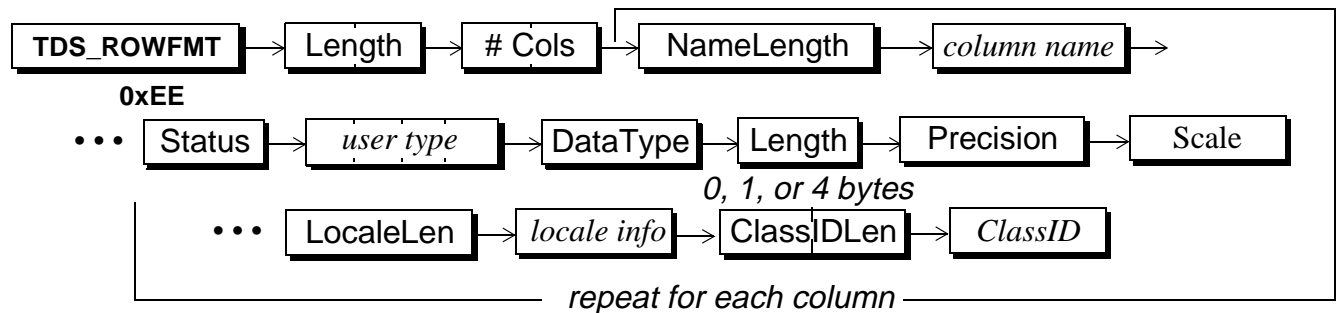
TDS_ROW_FMT

TDS_ROWFORMAT

Function

The token for describing the data type, length, and status of row data.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ROWFORMAT This is the token used to send a description of row data.

Length This length specifies the number of bytes remaining in the data stream. It is an unsigned, two-byte integer.

#Cols This argument contains the number of columns which are being described. It is an unsigned, two-byte integer.

NameLength This is the length of the column name which follows. Since column names may be NULL, **ColLength** may be 0. If **ColLength** is 0, no *col name* argument follows. **ColLength** is a one-byte unsigned integer.

col name This is the name of the column being described. It's length is described by the preceding parameter. Column names are optional.

Status This field is used to describe any non-datatype characteristics for the data. A column may have more than one status bit set. **Status** is an unsigned, one-byte integer. The valid values are:

Table 42: Valid Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_ROW_HIDDEN	0x01	This is a hidden column. It was not listed in the target list of the select statement. Hidden fields are often used to pass key information back to a client. For example: select a, b from table T where columns b and c are the key columns. Columns a, b, and c may be returned and c would have a status of TDS_ROW_HIDDEN TDS_ROW_KEY .
TDS_ROW_KEY	0x02	This indicates that this column is a key.
TDS_ROW_VERSION	0x04	This column is part of the version key for a row. It is used when updating rows through cursors.
TDS_ROW_UPDATABLE	0x10	This column is updatable. It is used with cursors.
TDS_ROW_NULLALLOWED	0x20	This column allows nulls.
TDS_ROW_IDENTITY	0x40	This column is an identity column.
TDS_ROW_PADCHAR	0x80	This column has been padded with blank characters.

or not.

user type This is the user-defined data type of the data. It is a signed, four-byte integer.

DataType This is the data type of the data and is a one-byte unsigned integer. Datatypes which are fixed, standard length (1, 2, 4, or 8 bytes) are represented by a single data type byte and have no **Length** argument. Variable data types are followed by a length which gives the maximum length, in bytes, for the datatype.

The rest of the fields in the repeating datatype descriptions are as described in the Format description for the corresponding **DataType** see section on page 109

Length This is the maximum length, in bytes, of **DataType**. The size of **Length** depends on the data type. If the preceding **DataType** is a fixed length data type of standard length, *e.g.*, *int1*, *int2*, *datetime*, *etc.*, there is no **Length** argument. If the preceding type is *text* or *image*, then the format is a four-byte length argument, followed by a two-byte object name length, and finally the object name.

Precision This is the precision associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the column is a numeric or decimal data type.

Scale This is the scale associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the column is a numeric or decimal data type.

LocaleLen This is the length of the localization information which follows. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer which may be 0. If the length is 0, no localization information follows.

locale info This is the localization information for the column. It is character string whose length is given by **LocaleLen**.

ClassIDLen This is the 2-byte length of the **ClassID**, if any, which follows. This length field is only present if the **DataType** is **TDS_BLOB**.

ClassID This is the class identification information for BLOB types. Its length in bytes is given by the preceding **ClassIDLen** value. If **ClassIDLen** is missing because this is not a **TDS_BLOB** data format, or if **ClassIDLen** is 0, then this field is absent.

Comments

- This is the token used to provide a description of data. It is just like the old **TDS_COLNAME** and **TDS_COLFMT** tokens except that it provides the column name and **Status** argument for each **DataType**.
- This data stream is used to describe **TDS_ROW** data sent in response to a non-cursor or cursor **select**.
- The information in **TDS_ROWFMFMT** is used to decode the **TDS_ROW** token.
- The **TDS_ROWFMFMT** token has exactly the same format as the **TDS_PARAMFMFMT** token. Two tokens are used for the same data stream in order to provide state information. The formats will remain the same so that client and server code used to encode and decode the tokens can be the same.
- The **TDS_COLNAME** and **TDS_COLFMT** tokens are no longer supported with TDS 5.0.

Examples

See Also

Data types, **TDS_ROWFMFMT2**, **TDS_ROW**, **TDS_PARAMFMFMT**

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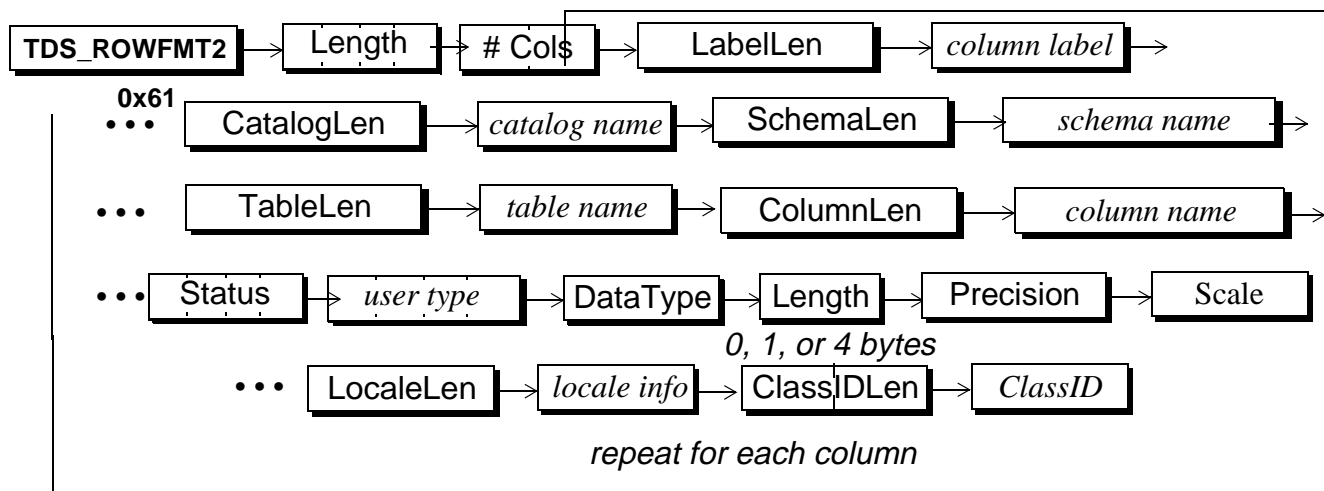
|

TDS_ROWFORMAT2

Function

The token for describing the data type, length, and status of row data.

Syntax



Arguments

TDS_ROWFORMAT2 This is the token used to send a description of row data.

Length This length specifies the number of bytes remaining in the data stream. It is an unsigned, four-byte integer.

#Cols This argument contains the number of columns which are being described. It is an unsigned, two-byte integer.

To describe the next 10 arguments we will look at an example. Suppose that from the pubs2 database one issued the following query:

```
SELECT au_fname AS "FIRST NAME" FROM dbo.authors
```

LabelLen

This is the length of the column label which follows. Since column labels may be NULL, **LabelLength** may be 0. If **LabelLength** is 0, no *column label* argument follows. **LabelLength** is a one-byte unsigned integer.

column label

This is the name of the column being described. It's length is described by the preceding parameter. Column labels are optional. In the example above this value would be "FIRST NAME", and the **LabelLen** value would be 10.

CatalogLen

This is the length of the catalog name which follows. If **CatalogLength** is 0, the catalog name field will be absent. It is an unsigned one-byte unsigned integer.

catalog name

This is the name of the catalog (database) that the table with this column is in. In the example above this value would be "pubs2" and the **CatalogLength** value would be 5.

SchemaLen

This is the length of the schema name which follows. If it is 0, no *schema name* argument follows. It is a one-byte unsigned integer.

schema name

This is the name of the schema (owner) of the table containing the column being described. In the example above this value would be "dbo", and the **SchemaLength** value would be 3.

TableLen

This is the length of the table name which follows. It is a one-byte unsigned integer.

table name

This is the name of the table containing the column being described. In the example above this value would be "authors", and the **TableLength** value would be 7.

ColumnLen

This is the length of the column name which follows. It is a one-byte unsigned integer.

column name

This is the actual name of the column being described. In the example above this value would be "au_fname", and the **ColumnLen** value would be 8.

Status

This field is used to describe any non-datatype characteristics for the data. A column may have more than one status bit set. **Status** is an unsigned, four-byte bit field. The valid values are:

Table 43: Valid Status Values

Name	Value	Description
TDS_ROW_HIDDEN	0x01	This is a hidden column. It was not listed in the target list of the select statement. Hidden fields are often used to pass key information back to a client. For example: select a, b from table T where columns b and c are the key columns. Columns a, b, and c may be returned and c would have a status of TDS_ROW_HIDDEN TDS_ROW_KEY .
TDS_ROW_KEY	0x02	This indicates that this column is a key.
TDS_ROW_VERSION	0x04	This column is part of the version key for a row. It is used when updating rows through cursors.
TDS_ROW_UPDATABLE	0x10	This column is updatable. It is used with cursors.
TDS_ROW_NULLALLOWED	0x20	This column allows nulls.
TDS_ROW_IDENTITY	0x40	This column is an identity column.
TDS_ROW_PADCHAR	0x80	This column has been padded with blank characters.

or not.

user type

This is the user-defined data type of the data. It is a signed, four-byte integer.

DataType This is the data type of the data and is a one-byte unsigned integer. Datatypes which are fixed, standard length (1, 2, 4, or 8 bytes) are represented by a single data type byte and have no **Length** argument. Variable data types are followed by a length which gives the maximum length, in bytes, for the datatype.

The rest of the fields in the repeating datatype descriptions are as described in the Format description for the corresponding **DataType** see section on page 109

Length This is the maximum length, in bytes, of **DataType**. The size of **Length** depends on the data type. If the preceding **DataType** is a fixed length data type of standard length, *e.g.*, *int1*, *int2*, *datetime*, *etc.*, there is no **Length** argument. If the preceding type is *text* or *image*, then the format is a four-byte length argument, followed by a two-byte object name length, and finally the object name.

Precision This is the precision associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the column is a numeric or decimal data type.

Scale This is the scale associated with numeric and decimal data types. It is only in the data stream if the column is a numeric or decimal data type.

LocaleLen This is the length of the localization information which follows. It is a one-byte, unsigned integer which may be 0. If the length is 0, no localization information follows.

locale info This is the localization information for the column. It is character string whose length is given by **LocaleLen**.

ClassIDLen This is the 2-byte length of the **ClassID**, if any, which follows. This length field is only present if the **DataType** is **TDS_BLOB**.

ClassID This is the class identification information for BLOB types. Its length in bytes is given by the preceding **ClassIDLen** value. If **ClassIDLen** is missing because this is not a **TDS_BLOB** data format, or if **ClassIDLen** is 0, then this field is absent.

Comments

It is much like the **TDS_ROWFM** token, with the following changes

- The Length field is 4 bytes long to allow for wider tables
- The Status byte has been expanded to 4 bytes (most of the original 8 bits had been used up).
- Additional namelen/name pairs have been added to complete the description of each column. The data contained in **TDS_ROWFM1** contains only a single “column name” field. That value would be set to the “alias” from the select query (select *column* AS *alias* ...) if the AS clause or T/SQL equivalent were used. If there was no alias then the value would be the actual name of the column in the table being selected. If the column is the result of an expression and there is no alias, then the value was returned as NULL. With **TDS_ROWFM2** this information has been enhanced as {catalog, schema, table, column-name, column-label}. Addition of this information makes it possible to implement JDBC and ODBC standards compliant client software.

◆ *The “column name” field from **TDS_ROWFM1** has changed names to “column label”. The new item called “column name” in **TDS_ROWFM2** corresponds to the underlying column name if there is one. Any of these 5 fields may be left empty (but every attempt should be made to fill them in correctly for the sake of standards compliance).*

- This data stream is used to describe **TDS_ROW** data sent in response to a non-cursor or cursor **select**.
- The information in **TDS_ROWFM2** is used to decode the **TDS_ROW** token.

Examples

See Also

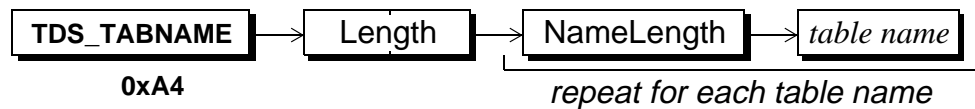
Data types, **TDS_ROW**, **TDS_PARAMFM1**

TDS_TABNAME

Function

The datastream for naming tables referenced in a result set.

Syntax



Arguments

- TDS_TABNAME** This is the token used to send table names.
- Length** This is the total length of the remaining **TDS_TABNAME** data stream. It is a two-byte, unsigned integer.
- NameLength** This is the length, in bytes, of the name of a table.
- table name* This is the table name. It's length is given by the preceding argument.

Comments

- This is the token sent by a server to the client when it wishes to list the tables that are referenced in a result set. The name of each table which has columns in the select list will be returned using this token.
- Views names are never returned, only the underlying table names.
- This token is always preceded by a **TDS_ROWFORMAT** token. It is always followed by a **TDS_COLINFO** token.
- This token is only used for browse mode.

Examples

See Also

TDS_ROWFORMAT, **TDS_COLINFO**

