

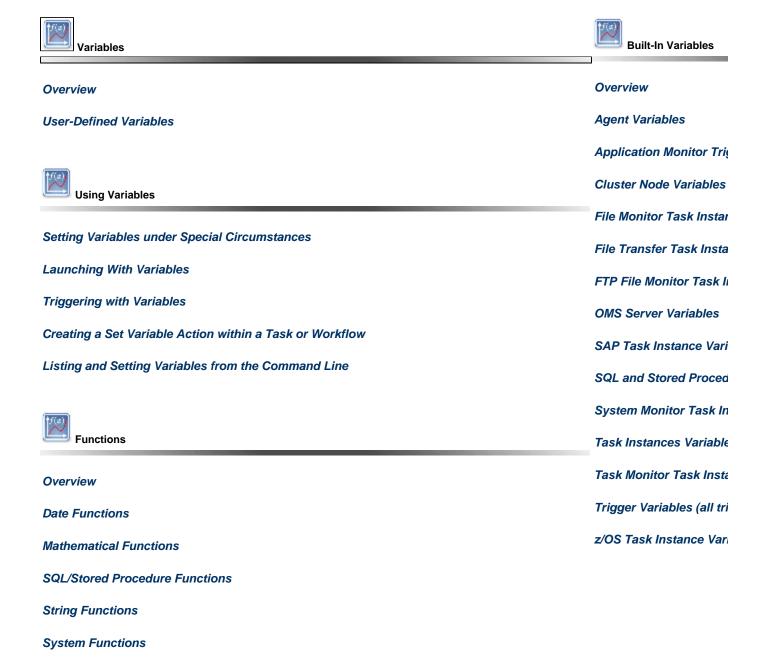
# **Opswise Controller 6.1.x**

# **Variables and Functions**

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# **Variables and Functions**





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#### **Variables and Functions Overview**

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#### Variables and Functions

Variables and functions can be used in free-text fields within tasks and workflows. When a variable or function is specified in a free-text field, the Controller inserts its value into the field when the task or workflow is run.

Triggers can pass variables and functions into the tasks and workflows that they launch.

Additionally, email notifications for Controller resources (agents, OMS servers, and cluster nodes) can use Built-In Variables that are specific to that type of resource.

### **Types of Variables**

Opswise Controller supports the following types of variables, all of which can be used in free text fields within tasks:

User-Defined Variables	These variables are created by the user for use within triggers, tasks, and workflows.
Built-In Variables	These variables, maintained by the Controller, allow you to access information about task instances and other related data, such as task name, task status, and trigger name.
Functions	These variables calculate some value, such as current date and time, or perform some function, such as _replaceAll.

### **Setting Variables under Special Circumstances**

The Controller also supports several features that allow you to set variables under special circumstances:

- Manually launch tasks and temporarily set user-defined variables.
- Manually launch all of the tasks associated with a trigger while supplying variable values used by the task(s) (see Triggering with Variables).
- Use the Set Variable action to set variables within a task or workflow.
- Use the ops-variable-set CLI command to set variables.

#### **User-Defined Variables**

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#### **Overview**

User-defined Opswise Controller variables are available for use in triggers, tasks, and Workflows.

You can define variables to be either:

- Available to a single trigger, task, or workflow
- Available to all triggers, tasks, and workflows; that is, Global.

You define variables specific to single a trigger, task, or workflow on the **Variables** tab in the Details of that trigger, task, or workflow. These variables are stored in the **ops\_local\_variable** table.

You define Global variables by either:

- Selecting **Other > Variables** from the Automation Center navigation pane.
- Using the Set Variable action for a task or workflow.

Global variables are stored in the ops\_variable table.

### **Variable Naming Conventions**

- Variable names must begin with a letter.
- Allowable characters are alphanumerics (upper or lower case), and underscore (\_).
- White spaces are not permitted
- Variable names are not case-sensitive.



#### Warning

Do not define Controller variables with the prefix ops\_. That prefix is reserved for built-in variables.

### **Resolving User-Defined Variables**

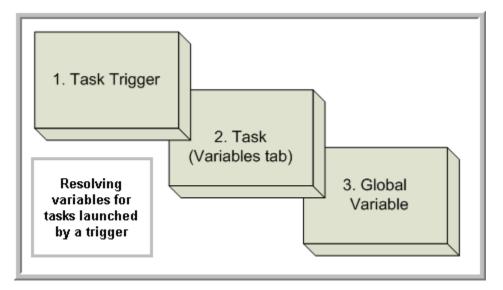
When the Controller creates a task instance from a task, it also resolves all variables specified in its free text fields. Because you can define variables at four different levels (trigger, task, workflow, and global), the Controller follows a prescribed formula to determine which variable takes precedence if duplicate variables have been defined. The general order of precedence, each of which may or may not exist in any given situation, is as follows:

- 1. Task trigger (highest precedence)
- 2. Task
- 3. Workflow trigger
- 4. Workflow
- 5. Global (lowest precedence)

The following scenarios provide more detailed information about how Controller variables are resolved.

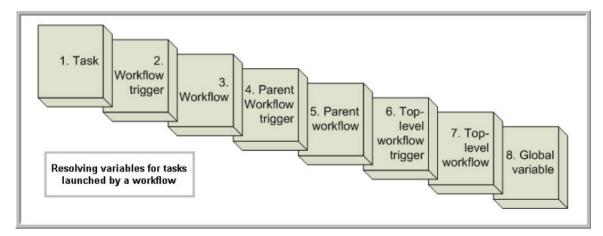
### For Tasks Launched by a Trigger

- 1. If the trigger defines the variable in the variables tab, that value is used to resolve the variable.
- 2. If the trigger does not define the variable, the value from the variable tab in the task Details is used.
- 3. If neither the trigger nor the task define the variable, the variable definition in the global variables table is used.
- 4. If the global variables table does not define the variable, the variable remains unresolved.



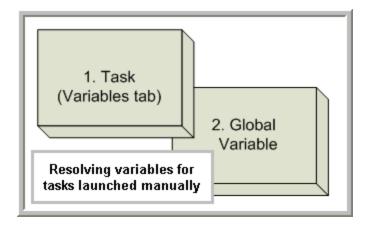
#### For Tasks Launched by a Workflow

- 1. If the task defines the variable in the variables tab, that value is used to resolve the variable.
- 2. If the task does not define the variable, and the workflow was launched by a trigger, the value defined in the trigger is used.
- 3. If the workflow's trigger does not define the variable or the workflow was not launched by a trigger, the value defined in the workflow is used.
- 4. If the workflow does not define the variable, and there is a parent workflow, the value defined in the parent workflow's trigger is used.
- 5. If the parent workflow's trigger does not define the variable or if there is no trigger, the value defined in the parent workflow is used.
- 6. If the parent workflow does not define the variable, the Controller checks up a level for the trigger on the next parent workflow.
- 7. If that trigger does not define the variable, it checks for variables associated with the workflow. (This continues until the top level workflow is reached.)
- 8. If the top-level workflow does not define the variable, the variable definition in the global variables table is used.
- 9. If the global variables table does not define the variable, the variable remains unresolved.



#### For Tasks Launched Manually

- 1. If the task defines the variable in the variables tab, that value is used to resolve the variable.
- 2. If the task does not define the variable, the variable definition in the global variables table is used.
- 3. If the global variables table does not define the variable, the variable remains unresolved.



### **Format for Using Variables**

When you enter a variable into a text field, precede the variable with the dollar sign (\$) and enclose the variable in curly braces ({}). You can enter a series of variables or nested variables. Examples are:

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${variable_name}
${v1}${v2}
${${inner_variable}}
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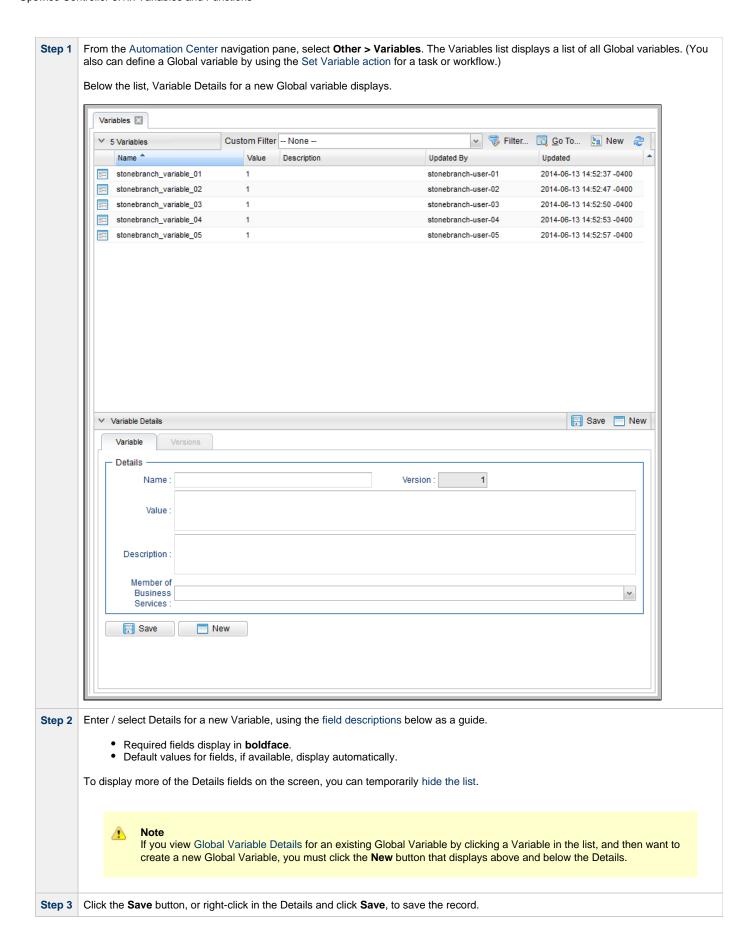
### **Creating a Variable**

You can create variables that are:

- 1. Available on a Global level; that is, available for all triggers, tasks, and Workflows.
- 2. Available only for a specific trigger, task, or Workflow.

### **Creating a Global Variable**

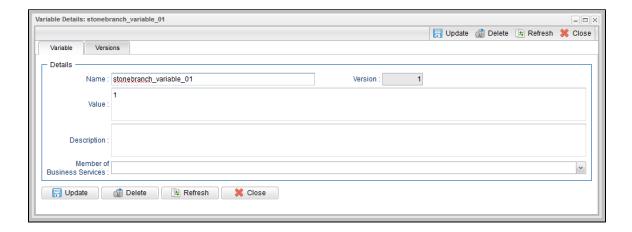
To create a Global variable that is available for all triggers, tasks, and Workflows:



#### **Global Variable Details**

The following Variable Details is for an existing Global Variable.

See the field descriptions below for a description of all fields that display in the Global Variable Details.



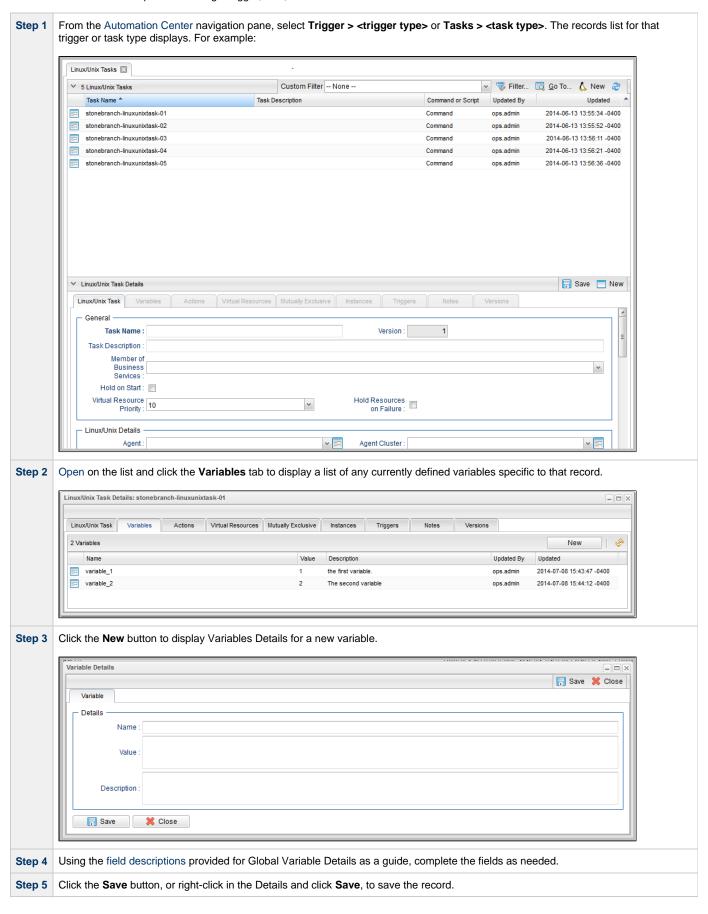
### **Global Variable Details Field Descriptions**

The following table describes the fields and buttons in the Variables Details.

Field Name	Description
Name	Name of the variable. Up to 40 alphanumerics. The name must begin with an alphabetic character and can consist of: alphas (a-z, A-Z), numerics 0-9, _ (underscore). White spaces are not permitted; names are not case-sensitive.
	Important Do not define variables with the prefix ops The ops_ prefix is reserved for built-in variables.
Version	System-supplied. The version number of the current record, which is incremented by the Controller every time a user updates a record. Click the Versions tab to view previous versions. For details, see Record Versioning.
Value	Value of the variable.
Description	Optional. Description of this variable.
Member of Business Services	User-defined; allows you to select one or more Business Services that this record belongs to.
Save	Saves a new variable record in the Controller database.
Update button	Saves updates to the record.
Delete button	Deletes the current record.
Refresh	Refreshes any dynamic data displayed in the Details.
Close	For pop-up view only; closes the pop-up view of this task.

# Creating a Variable Specific to a Trigger, Task, or Workflow

To create a variable that is specific to a single trigger, task, or Workflow:



**Step 6** If appropriate, repeat these steps for any additional variables you want to add.

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#### **Overview**

Built-in variables are maintained by Opswise Controller and provide information about task instances, agents, Opswise Message Service (OMS), and cluster nodes. They can be used in free text fields in triggers, tasks, task actions, and email notifications for agents, OMS servers, and cluster nodes.

Supported built-in variables and their descriptions are provided below. All built-in variables are prefixed with ops\_.

### **Agent Variables**

The following agent variables can be used to pass information into an Agent notification.

Some of these variables, as noted, also can be used to pass agent information into an agent-based task (Windows, Linux/Unix, z/OS, and SAP).

#### **Agent Hostname**

Description	Resolves to the agent hostname. You also can use this variable in task notifications; see Creating Email Notifications and Creating SNMP Notifications.
Syntax	\${ops_agent_hostname}
Example	

### **Agent IP Address**

Description	Resolves to the agent IP address (see also \${ops_agent_ip}.
Syntax	\${ops_agent_ipaddr}
Example	

### **Agent IP Address**

Description	Resolves to the agent IP address. You also can use this variable in task notifications; see Creating Email Notifications and Creating SNMP Notifications.
Syntax	\${ops_agent_ip}
Example	

### **Agent Mode**

Description	Resolves to the agent operational mode (Active, Offline).
Syntax	\${ops_agent_mode}
Example	

### **Agent Name**

Description	Resolves to the agent name. You also can use this variable in task notifications; see Creating Email Notifications and SNMP Notification Actions.
Syntax	\${ops_agent_name}
Example	

### **Agent Queue Name**

Description	Resolves to the agent queue name. You also can use this variable in task notifications; see Creating Email Notifications and Creating SNMP Notifications.
Syntax	\${ops_agent_id}
Example	

### **Application Monitor Trigger Variables**

When a task is launched by an Application Monitor trigger, the following built-in variables are passed into the task being launched by the trigger:

### **Trigger Application Name**

Description	Resolves to the name of the Application being monitored by the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_appl_name}
Example	

### **Trigger Application Status**

<b>Description</b> Resolves to the status of the Application being monitored by the trigge	r.
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Syntax	\${ops_trigger_appl_status}
Example	

### Trigger Application sys\_id

Description	Resolves to the sys_id of the application.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_appl_id}
Example	

### **Trigger Application Type**

Description	Resolves to the type of Application being monitored by the trigger, as defined by the Application Type field.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_appl_type}
Example	

#### **Cluster Node Variables**

The following cluster node variables allow you to pass information into a cluster node (Controller server) notification:

#### **Cluster Node Hostname**

Description	Resolves to the hostname of this cluster node.	
Syntax	\${ops_cluster_hostname}	
Example	ops_cluster_hostname = MACHINEC19A	

#### **Cluster Node ID**

Description	Resolves to the cluster node's internally-generated build ID.	
Syntax	\${ops_cluster_id}	
Example	ops_cluster_id = MACHINEC19A:8080-opswise	

### **Cluster Node IP Address**

Description	Resolves to the IP address of this cluster node.	
Syntax	\${ops_cluster_ipaddr}	
Example	ops_cluster_ipaddr = 10.N.N.NN	

#### **Cluster Node Mode**

Description	Resolves to the current mode of this cluster node (Offline, Active, Passive).	
	For more information, see Viewing Node Status.	
Syntax	\${ops_cluster_mode}	
Example	ops_cluster_mode = Active	

#### **Cluster Node Name**

Description	\${ops_cluster_name} is an alias for the \${ops_cluster_id} variable.
Syntax	\${ops_cluster_name}
Example	<pre>ops_cluster_name = MACHINEC19A:8080-opswise</pre>

#### **Cluster Node Running Time**

Description	Resolves to the numbers of days, hours, and minutes that this cluster node has been running since it was last started.
Syntax	\${ops_cluster_uptime}
Example	ops_cluster_uptime = 7 Seconds

#### **Cluster Node Start Time**

Description	Resolves to the date and time the cluster node (server) was started.
Syntax	\${ops_cluster_start_time}
Example	ops_cluster_start_time = 2011-09-26 17:35:01 -0400

### File Monitor Task Instance/Trigger Variables

When one or more tasks are launched by a File Monitor trigger after the conditions in its associated File Monitor task are met, the built-in variables described below are passed into the tasks being launched by the trigger.

For example, the File Monitor trigger may specify the launch of a Windows task each time the associated File Monitor task detects the creation of a specific file. The Windows task might use one of these built-in variables as a command argument. Or, if the File Monitor task is not associated with a trigger but is running within a workflow, on completion you can propagate one or more of these built-in variable values to the parent workflow level using the Set Variable action. This allows you to pass information from the File Monitor task to a successor task within the same workflow hierarchy.

#### **Base File Name**

Description	Resolves to the base file name.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_name_simple}

### **File Directory**

Description	Resolves to the directory where the new file was created, but not the file itself. If the existence or non-existence of the final directory separator is a requirement, we recommend the use of \${ops_trigger_file_fullpath} and \${ops_trigger_file_fullpath_no_separator}, respectively.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_path}
Example	
Example	

## **File Directory (with Final Directory Separator)**

Description	Resolves to the directory where the new file was created, but not the file itself; includes the final directory separator.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_fullpath}
Example	

### **File Directory (without Final Directory Separator)**

Description	Resolves to the directory where the new file was created, but not the file itself; does not include the final directory separator.	
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_fullpath_no_separator}	
Example		

### **File Extension**

Description	Resolves to the file extension of a file.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_name_extension}
Example	

### **Separator**

Description	Resolves to the separator appropriate to the platform where the agent is running. For Windows, resolves to a backslash (\); for Linux/Unix, resolves to forward slash (/). This variable may be useful if you want to piece together a pathname using a combination of text and variables.	
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_separator}	
Example	<pre>\${ops_trigger_file_fullpath}sub_folder_name \${ops_trigger_file_separator}filename.txt</pre>	

### **Trigger File Date**

Description	Resolves to the file date of the file that fired the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_date}
Example	

### **Trigger File Group**

Description	Resolves to the file group of the file that fired the trigger.	
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Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_group}
Example	

### **Trigger File Name**

Description	Resolves to the name of the file that fired the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_name}
Example	

#### **Trigger File Name (No Path)**

Description	Resolves to the name of the file that fired the trigger, but without any path information.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_name_nopath}
Example	

### **Trigger File Owner**

Description	Resolves to the file owner of the file that fired the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_owner}
Example	

### **Trigger File Scan Result**

Description	Resolves to the result of the file scan: FOUND or NOT_FOUND.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_scan}
Example	

### **Trigger File Size**

Description	Resolves to the file size of the file that fired the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_size}
Example	

#### **File Transfer Task Instance Variables**

File Transfer variables are available for use in UDM scripts.



#### Note

These variables differ from all other built-in variables in that they are resolved by Universal Data Mover (UDM) on a UDM agent, not by the Opswise Controller. File Transfer variables are sent to an agent unresolved and UDM performs all resolution for them. The resolved value is never available to the Controller.

Unlike the syntax of built-in variables resolved by Opswise Controller - \${<variable-name>} - the syntax of File Transfer variables is the same as all UDM variables - \$(<variable-name>).

The following example illustrates the correct way to code them:

open src=srcserver user=\$(ops\_src\_cred\_user) pwd=\$(ops\_src\_cred\_pwd) dst=dstserver user=\$(ops\_dst\_cred\_user) pwd=\$(ops\_dst\_cred\_pwd)

#### **Destination Password**

Description	Resolves to the destination password.
Syntax	\$(ops_dst_cred_pwd)
Example	

#### **Destination User ID**

Description	Resolves to the destination user ID.
Syntax	\$(ops_dst_cred_user)
Example	

#### **Source Password ID**

Description	Resolves to the source password.
Syntax	\$(ops_src_cred_pwd)
Example	

#### **Source User ID**

Description	Resolves to the source user ID.
Syntax	\$(ops_src_cred_user)
Example	

### **FTP File Monitor Task Instance Variables**

The following built-in variables are available for FTP File Monitor task instances and provide information about the file or file(s) that matched the monitor's criteria.

You can use these variables in an FTP File Monitor action or in a successor task instance by propagating one or more of these built-in variable values to a parent workflow using the Set Variable action.

#### **Base Trigger File Name**

Description	Resolves to the base file name.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_name_simple}
Example	

### **Files Matching Wildcard**

	Resolves to a comma-separated list of files that matched the wildcard, if one was specified in the Remote Filename field in the FTP File Monitor task.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_files}

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### **Remote Trigger File Name**

Description	Resolves to the remote file name.	
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_name}	
Example		

### Remote Trigger File Name (No Path)

Description	Resolves to the remote file name without any path information.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_name_nopath}
Example	

### **Trigger File Directory**

Description	Resolves to the directory where the remote file is located, but not the file itself. \${ops_trigger_file_path} is an alias for \${ops_trigger_file_fullpath_no_separator}.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_path}
Example	

### **Trigger File Directory (with Final Directory Separator)**

Description	Resolves to the directory where the remote file is located, but not the file itself; includes the final directory separator.	
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_fullpath}	
Example		

### **Trigger File Directory (without Final Directory Separator)**

Description	Resolves to the directory where the remote file is located, but not the file itself; does not include the final directory separator.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_fullpath_no_separator}
Example	

### **Trigger File Extension**

Description	Resolves to the file extension of the file.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_file_name_extension}
Example	

### **Trigger Wildcard**

Description	Resolves to the contents of the Remote Filename field in the FTP File Monitor task.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_wildcard}

```
ops_trigger_wildcard =
   /home/prod/stonebranch/COMPANY*.xls
```

### **Trigger Wildcard Path Only**

Description	Resolves to the path only, with the final slash but without the file name, from the Remote Filename field in the FTP File Monitor task.	
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_wildcard_path}	
Example	<pre>ops_trigger_wildcard_path = /home/prod/stonebranch/</pre>	

### **Trigger Wildcard Path Only (without Final Slash)**

Description	Resolves to the path only, without the final slash and without the file name, from the Remote Filename field in the FTP File Monitor task.	
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_wildcard_path_no_separator}	
Example	<pre>ops_trigger_wildcard_path_no_separator = /home/prod/stonebranch</pre>	

#### **OMS Server Variables**

The following OMS Server variables allow you to pass information into an OMS Server notification.

#### **Last OMS Server Connected**

Description	Resolves to the last OMS Server connected to the Controller in an OMS HA cluster.	
Syntax	\${ops_oms_last_connected}	
Example		

#### **OMS Server IP Address**

Description	Resolves to the OMS Server IP address.
Syntax	\${ops_oms_server_address}
Example	

#### **OMS Server Status**

Description	Resolves to the current status of the OMS Server.
Syntax	\${ops_oms_status}
Example	

### OMS Server sys\_id

Description	Resolves to the sys_id of the OMS server.
Syntax	\${ops_oms_id}
Example	

#### **SAP Task Instance Variables**

For an SAP task instance, where applicable, the following built-in variables resolve to the SAP jobname and SAP jobid of the job running in the SAP system. If you need to use the SAP jobname and/or the SAP jobid from one SAP task instance in a successor SAP task instance, you can use the Set Variable action to propagate these built-in variable values to the parent workflow.

### **SAP InfoPackage Request ID**

Description	Resolves to the SAP InfoPackage Request ID.
Syntax	\${ops_sap_requestid}
Example	

#### **SAP Job ID**

Description	Resolves to the SAP job ID.
Syntax	\${ops_sap_jobid}
Example	

#### **SAP Job Name**

Description	Resolves to the SAP job name.
Syntax	\${ops_sap_jobname}
Example	

#### **SAP Process Chain ID**

Description	Resolves to the SAP Process Chain ID.
Syntax	\${ops_sap_chainid}
Example	

### **SAP Process Chain Log ID**

Description	Resolves to the SAP Process Chain Log ID.
Syntax	\${ops_sap_logid}
Example	

### **SQL** and Stored Procedure Task Instance Variables

The following built-in variables are used in SQL tasks and Stored Procedure tasks to collect SQLException data, if any:

#### **Error Message**

<b>Description</b> Resolves to any error message generated by the da	tabase.
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Syntax	\${ops_sql_error_msg}
Example	

#### **Processed Rows**

Description	Resolves to the number of rows processed.
Syntax	\${ops_sql_rows}
Example	

#### **Return Code for SQL Statement Outcome**

Description	Resolves to a return code that indicates the outcome of the most recently executed SQL statement.
Syntax	\${ops_sql_state}
Example	

# **System Monitor Task Instance Variables**

The following System Monitor variables show the results for **Resource Available** and **Actual Available** that can be utilized in System Monitor tasks.

#### **Actual Size**

Description	Actual size determined by the agent.
Syntax	\${ops_sm_actual_size}
Example	

### **Actual Size (Rounded)**

Description	Same as ops_sm_actual_size, except rounded to the nearest integer.
Syntax	\${ops_sm_actual_int_size}
Example	

### **Actual Size (Scale)**

Description	Scale of the actual size determined by the agent.	
Syntax	\${ops_sm_actual_scale}	
Example		

#### **Scale**

Description	Scale specified in the <b>By Scale</b> field for <b>Resource Available</b> of the System Monitor task definition.
Syntax	\${ops_sm_scale}
Example	

#### Size

Description	Size specified in the <b>Resource Available</b> field of the System Monitor task definition.
Syntax	\${ops_sm_size}
Example	

## Size (Rounded)

Description	Same as ops_sm_size, except that ops_sm_int_size is rounded to the nearest integer.
Syntax	\${ops_sm_int_size}
Example	

### **Task Instance Variables**

The following built-in variables are associated with task instances for all task types:

#### **Command**

Description	For tasks that launch a command on a Windows, Linux/Unix, or z/OS machine; resolves to the task command.
Syntax	\${ops_cmd}
Example	

### **Command Parameters**

Description	For tasks that launch a command on a Windows, Linux/Unix, or z/OS machine; resolves to the task command parameters.
Syntax	\${ops_cmd_parms}
Example	

#### **End Time**

Description	Resolves to the task ending time.
Syntax	\${ops_end_time}
Example	

#### **Execution User ID**

Description	Resolves to the ID of the user who launched the task or to the ID of the user who enabled the trigger that launched the task.	
Syntax	\${ops_execution_user}	
Example		

### **Launch Time**

Description	Resolves to the task launch time. For workflows, all descendants will have the same launch time as the top-level workflow.
Syntax	\${ops_launch_time}
Example	

### **Maximum Retry Count**

Description	Resolves to the maximum retry count.
Syntax	\${ops_retry_maximum}
Example	

### Parent Workflow Instance sys\_id

Description	Resolves to the sys_id of the parent workflow task instance.
Syntax	\${ops_workflow_id}
Example	

#### **Parent Workflow Name**

Description	Resolves to the name of the parent workflow.	
Syntax	\${ops_workflow_name}	
Example		

## **Retry Count**

Description	Resolves to the current retry count.
Syntax	\${ops_retry_count}
Example	

## **Retry Interval**

Description	Resolves to the retry interval (seconds).
Syntax	\${ops_retry_interval}
Example	

### **Running Time**

Description	Resolves to the task running time in milliseconds.
Syntax	\${ops_duration}
Example	ops_duration = 130000

### **Running Time (Text Format)**

Description	Resolves to the task running time in a more readable representation of the duration time	
Syntax	\${ops_duration_text}	
Example	ops_duration_text = 2 Minutes 10 Seconds)	

# Script ID

Description	For Windows, Linux/Unix, and SAP tasks where a Script or SAP Definition from Scripts is specified; resolves to the Controller system ID of the script.
Syntax	\${ops_script_id}

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### **Script Name**

Description	For Windows, Linux/Unix, and SAP tasks where a Script or SAP Definition from Scripts is specified; resolves to the Controller name of the script.	
Syntax	\${ops_script_name}	
Example		

### **Starting Time**

Description	Resolves to the task starting time.
Syntax	\${ops_start_time}
Example	

### **Task Instance Attempts**

Description	Resolves to the current task instance attempt count. Each Re-run operation increments the attempt. Initial attempt is 1.
Syntax	\${ops_attempt}
Example	

### **Task Instance Exit Code**

Description	Resolves to the task instance exit code, if any.
Syntax	\${ops_exit_code}
Example	

### **Task Instance Status**

Description	Resolves to the current task instance status.
Syntax	\${ops_status}
Example	

# Task Instance sys\_id

Description	Resolves to the sys_id of the task instance.
Syntax	\${ops_task_id}
Example	

### **Task Name**

Description	Resolves to the task name.
Syntax	\${ops_task_name}
Example	

#### **Task Reference Count**

Description	Resolves to the current task reference count.
	Each time an instance is created from a specific task, it gets a unique task reference count for that task. For example, if you launch a task twice, the first instance will have task reference count 1, and the second will have task reference count 2.
Syntax	\${ops_task_ref_count}
Example	

#### Task Type

Description	Resolves to the task type.
Syntax	\${ops_task_type}
Example	

### **Task Monitor Task Instance/Trigger Variables**

When the conditions of a Task Monitor task are met and its associated Task Monitor trigger launches one or more tasks, the following built-in variables are passed into the task instances being launched by the trigger.

For example, the Task Monitor trigger may specify an Email task that will launch each time the conditions in the associated Task Monitor task are met. You might want to specify one or more of these variables in the body of the email.

If the Task Monitor task is not associated with a trigger but is running within a workflow, on completion you can propagate one or more of these built-in variable values to the parent workflow level by using the Set Variable action. This allows you to pass information from the Task Monitor task to a successor task within the same workflow hierarchy.

#### **Trigger Task Name**

Description	Resolves to the name of the task instance that fired the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_task_name}
Example	

### **Trigger Task Status**

Description	Resolves to the status of the task instance that fired the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_task_status}
Example	

### Trigger Task sys\_id

Description	Resolves to the sys_id of the task instance that fired the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_task_id}
Example	

### **Trigger Task Type**

Description	Resolves to the type of the task instance that fired the trigger.
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_task_type}
Example	

### **Trigger Workflow**

Description	Resolves to the name of the workflow instance that fired the trigger.		
	This variable is available only for a Task Monitor task that has a Workflow Condition specified. If a workflow condition is specified, \${ops_trigger_workflow_name} will resolve to the name of the workflow instance that the workflow condition matched.		
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_workflow_name}		
Example			

## **Trigger Variables**

The following built-in variables are associated with all trigger types:

When a task is launched by a trigger, the values of the following built-in variables, if they are specified in the task, are passed into the task instance.

### **Trigger Name**

Description	Resolves to the name of the trigger that launched the task instance.		
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_name}		
Example			

### **Trigger Time**

Description	Resolves to the scheduled time of the trigger or, if the trigger is not scheduled, the actual trigger time.		
	If the task is triggered by date/time, it resolves to that specified date/time.		
Syntax	\${ops_trigger_time}		
Example			

### z/OS Task Instance Variables

The following built-in variables are available for z/OS task instances:

#### **JCL Location**

Description	Resolves to the file and member name containing the JCL script.
Syntax	\${ops_jcl_location}
Example	

#### **Job Number**

Description	Resolves to the job number assigned to the job by JES.		
Syntax	\${ops_job_id}		
Example			

#### **Override JCL Location**

<b>Description</b> Resolves to the file and member name of the JCL location containing a potential override JCL sc	Description	Resolves to the file and member name of the JCL location containing a potential override JCL script.
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Syntax	\${ops_override_jcl_location}
Example	

### **Submitted JCL Location**

Description	Resolves to the file and member name of the JCL location that was actually used for job submission.		
Syntax	\${ops_submitted_jcl_location}		
Example			

# **Launching With Variables**

For information on how to launch a task with variables, see Provide Temporary Variable Values and Launch a Task Manually on the Manually Running and Controlling Tasks page.

# **Trigger With Variables**

For information on how to use variables when manually launching tasks associated with a trigger, see Triggering with Variables (in the Triggers and Calendars section of this documentation).

### Creating a Set Variable Action within a Task or Workflow

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#### Overview

The Set Variable action allows you to set a variable to a specific value for a task or workflow, and to select a scope (level of usage) for that variable (see Variables and Variable Scope, below). Unless you set the scope of the variable to **GLOBAL**, which specifies that the variable can be accessed at any time by any task, workflow, or trigger, the value exists in memory only for the time that the task or workflow is running, or until another Set Variable action sets the variable to another value.



#### Note

Variables with a Variable Scope set to **GLOBAL** are added to the list of global variables on the Variables list (**Automation Center > Other > Variables**) after the task or workflow is run.

You can use the Set Variable action to create a new variable or modify an existing variable.

When creating a Set Variable action, you can trigger the Set Variable action based on one or more of the following:

- Status
- Exit codes
- Late start
- · Late or early finish

### Variables and Variable Scope

A variable defined for a task under the Variables tab for that task is used only by that task.

A variable defined for a workflow under the **Variables** tab for that workflow is available for any task in that workflow; a task will use the variable value defined for the workflow unless the variable is defined for that task.

A variable defined for a task or workflow on a Set Variable action screen let you specify, in the Variable Scope field, the scope of that variable. You can specify that a variable be available for:

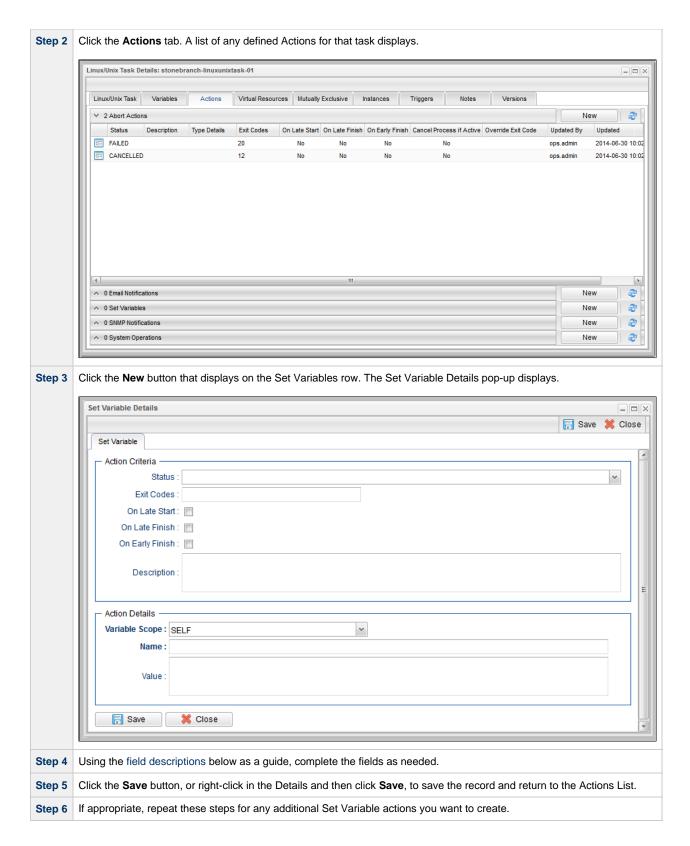
- Only the task where it is set.
- · All tasks within the task's parent (immediate) workflow.
- All tasks within the task's top-level parent workflow.
- · All tasks and workflow instances.

For example, if you set a variable for a task to be available within the scope of its parent workflow, the value of that variable is propagated up to the parent workflow level. As each task in the workflow is run, that value is available for that task.

### **Creating a Set Variable Action**

Step 1

Display the Task Details of the task for which you are creating the Set Variable action.



### **Set Variable Details Field Descriptions**

The table below describes the fields and buttons in the Set Variable Details.

Field Name
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Action Criteria	This section contains criteria for performing the action.			
Type Details	Displays - on the Set Variables actions list - the Variable Scope, Name, and Value for this action.			
Action Inheritance	For Workflow tasks only; the records this action applies to.			
	Options:			
	<ul> <li>SELF/CHILDREN</li> </ul>	- This ad	only to the workflow; it is not inherited by its children tasks. ction applies to the workflow and its contained tasks (children). pplies only to the tasks within the workflow (children).	
Status	The status that will trigger can specify as many statu		n. To trigger a Set Variable action, you can specify status only, or status and exit code. You eeded.	
Exit Codes	Specifies one or more exit codes that will trigger the event. If you specify an exit code, you must also specify at least one status. Use commas to separate multiple exit codes; use a hyphen to specify a range. Example: 1, 5, 22-30.			
On Late Start	Generates the action or notification if the task started late, based on the Late Start Time specified in the task.			
On Late Finish	Generates the action or notification if the task finishes late, based on the Late Finish time specified in the task.			
On Early Finish	Generates the action or notification if the task finishes early, based on the Early Finish Time specified in the task.			
Description	Description of this action.			
Action Details	This section contains addi	tional det	ails about the action.	
Variable Scope	Applies to variables associated with a task in a workflow.  Options:			
	Scope	Scope Value	Description	
	SELF	1	The variable is set only within the scope of the task that executes the Set Variable action.	
	PARENT	2	The variable is set within the scope of the (immediate) parent workflow. After it is set, any task within the parent workflow can access that variable.	
	TOP_LEVEL_PARENT	3	The variable is set within the scope of the top level parent. Example: Workflow A contains workflow B and workflow B contains workflow C. If a Set Variable action is executed by a task within workflow C with Variable Scope set to TOP_LEVEL_PARENT, then the variable will be set in workflow A's scope. This means that after it is set, tasks in workflow A, workflow B and workflow C can access that variable.	
	GLOBAL	4	The variable is set at the global variable level and, as such, is accessible by any task, workflow, or trigger. If the global variable is not already defined, it will be created.	
Name			nanumerics. The name must begin with an alphabetic character and can consist of: alphas (a-z.). White spaces are not permitted; names are not case-sensitive.	
	Important		s with the prefix <b>ops</b> The <b>ops</b> _ prefix is reserved for built-in variables.	

Value	Value of the variable.		
Buttons	This section identifies the buttons displayed above and below the Action Details that let you perform various actions.		
Save	Saves a new Action record in the Controller database.		
Update	Saves updates to the record.		
Delete	Deletes the current record.		
Refresh	Refreshes any dynamic data displayed in the Details.		
Close	Closes the Details pop-up of this action.		

# **Listing and Setting Variables from the Command Line**

To list and set variables from the command line, use the List Variables (ops-variable-list) and Set Variables (ops-variable-set) commands of the Opswise Controller Command Line Interface (CLI).

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  - Return Index of Rightmost Occurrence of Substring Plus Offset in String Value
  - Return Length of Value
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  - Return New String that is Substring of Value
  - Convert Characters in Value to Lower Case
  - Convert Characters in Value to Upper Case
  - Return Copy of Value with Whitespace Omitted

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#### Overview

Variables and functions can be used in free-text fields within tasks and workflows. When a variable or function is specified in a free-text field, the Controller inserts its value into the field when the task or workflow is run.

Also, triggers can pass variables and functions into the tasks and workflows they launch.

Opswise Controller supports a number of functions that can be specified in free-text fields. They are resolved when a task instance runs or when a Set Variable action containing a function is executed.

Functions are entered using the following formats:

```
${_function}
${_function(arg1, ..., argN)}
```

## **Formatting Rules**

- · Functions must be written either in all lower case or exactly as shown in the tables on this page.
- Any parameter can be quoted. Strings must be quoted with single or double quotation marks.
- All functions allow nesting to one level. That is, a function can be an argument to another function.

You must use a double underscore preceding the name of a nested function:

```
\{\underline{\text{function}(argl, ..., argN)}\}
```

For example:

```
${_substring("${ops_trigger_file_name_simple}", "${__indexOf("${ops_trigger_file_name_simple}",
"-")}")}
```

## **Function Categories**

There are five categories of Functions:

- Date functions
- Mathematical functions
- System functions
- String functions
- SQL/Stored Procedure functions

## **Date Functions**

## **Return Nth Business Day of Month**

Pescription

Returns the Nth business day of month for the month of the date specified. Optionally, can start from the end of the month.

Whether a holiday is treated as a business day or a non-business day is specified by the Exclude Holidays for Business Days Opswise Controller system property.

Syntax

\${\_businessDayOfMonth(index, [date, format, reverse])}

Parameters	<ul> <li>index         Required; Nth business day of month.</li> <li>date         Optional; Date in format yyyy-MM-dd. Default is the current date.</li> <li>format         Optional; Format of returned date. Default is yyyy-MM-dd. (For details on the format parameter, see http://docs.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/text/SimpleDateFormat.html</li> <li>reverse         Optional; Specification (true or false) for starting from the end of the month. Default is false.</li> </ul>
Examples	\${_businessDayOfMonth(1)}> 2012-08-01 \${_businessDayOfMonth(1,"2012-09-01")}> 2012-09-04 \${_businessDayOfMonth(1,"2012-09-01","",true)}> 2012-09-28

# **Return Number of Business Days between Dates**

Description	Returns the number of business days between date1 and date2.  If return value is > 0, date2 is after date1.  If return value is < 0, date2 is before date1.  If return value is 0, date1 is equal to date2.	
	The start date is inclusive, but the end date is not.	
	Whether a holiday is treated as a business day or a non-business day is specified by the Exclude Holidays for Business Days Opswise Controller system property.	
Syntax	<pre>\${_businessDaysBetween(date1, date2)}</pre>	
Parameters		
	<ul> <li>date1         Required; First date in format yyyy-MM-dd.</li> <li>date2         Required; Second date in format yyyy-MM-dd.</li> </ul>	
Example	\${_businessDaysBetween("2012-08-01","2012-09-01")}> 23	

# **Resolve to Current Unix Epoch Time**

Description	Resolves to the current time in milliseconds since Wed Dec 31 1969 19:00:00 GMT-0500 (EST) – the start of Unix epoch time.
Syntax	\${_currentTimeMillis}
Parameters	n/a
Example	

# **Resolve to Current Date and Time**

Description	Resolves to the current date and time.
Syntax	\${_date([format, day_offset, hour_offset, minute_offset])}

# 

## **Resolve to Current Date and Time (Advanced)**

Description	Resolves to the current date and time.
Syntax	\${_dateadv([format, year_offset, month_offset, day_offset, hour_offset, minute_offset])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>format Date format. The default format is yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss Z. For details on the format parameter, see http://docs.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/text/SimpleDateFormat.html</li> <li>year_offset Optional; +/- number of years to offset.</li> <li>month_offset Optional; +/- number of months to offset.</li> <li>day_offset Optional; +/- number of days to offset.</li> <li>hour_offset Optional; +/- number of hours to offset.</li> <li>minute_offset Optional; +/- number of minutes to offset.</li> </ul>
Examples	\${_dateadv}> 2012-07-29 09:31:42 -0700 \${_dateadv("yyyy-MMM", -1)}> 2011-Jul \${_dateadv("yyyy-MMM", 0, -1)} > 2012-Jun

## **Return Nth Day of Month**

Description	Returns the Nth day of month for the month of the date specified. Optionally, can start from the end of the month.
Syntax	\${_dayOfMonth(index, [date, format, reverse])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>index Required; Nth day of month.</li> <li>date Optional; Date in format yyyy-MM-dd. Default is the current date.</li> <li>format Optional; Format of returned date. Default is yyyy-MM-dd.</li> <li>reverse Optional; Specification (true or false) for starting from the end of the month. Default is false.</li> </ul>

```
${_dayOfMonth(5)} --> 2012-08-05
${_dayOfMonth(15,"2012-09-01","MM/dd/yyyy")} --> 09/15/2012
${_dayOfMonth(1,"2012-09-01","",true)} --> 2012-09-30
```

## **Return Day of Week**

Description	Returns the day of week for the specified date as a number.
Syntax	\${_dayOfWeek([date, first_dow, first_dow_value])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>date         Optional; Date in format yyyy-MM-dd. Default is the current date.</li> <li>first_dow         Optional; Specification for whether the week starts on Sunday or Monday. Values are sun and mon (not case-sensitive). Default is sun.</li> <li>first_dow_value         Optional; Starting value for the first day of week. Value must be a non-negative number. Default is 1.</li> </ul>
Example	\${_dayOfWeek}> 6 \${_dayOfWeek()}> 6 \${_dayOfWeek("2012-07-04")}> 4 \${_dayOfWeek("2012-07-04", "mon")}> 3

## **Return Days between Dates**

Description	Returns the number of days between date1 and date2.  • If return value is > 0, date2 is after date1.  • If return value is < 0, date2 is before date1.  • If return value is 0, date1 is equal to date2.  The start date is inclusive, but the end date is not.
Syntax	\${_daysBetween(date1, date2)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>date1         Required; First date in format yyyy-MM-dd.</li> <li>date2         Required; Second date in format yyyy-MM-dd.</li> </ul>
Example	\${_daysBetween("2012-08-01","2012-09-01")}> 31

## **Return Date with Offsets**

## Description Returns the date after applying offsets. Optionally, can specify the output format. Whether a holiday is treated as a business day or a non-business day is specified by the Exclude Holidays for Business Days Opswise Controller system property. **Syntax \${\_formatDate**([date, format, day\_offset, use\_business\_days, hour\_offset, minute\_offset])} **Parameters** • date Date in format yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm or yyyy-MM-dd. Time (HH:mm) is optional. Default is the current date and time. format Format of returned date. Default is the format used when specifying the date parameter: yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm or yyyy-MM-dd. For details on the format parameter, see http://docs.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/text/SimpleDateFormat.html • day\_offset +/- number of days to offset. • use\_business\_days Specification (true or false) for whether day\_offset is for business days. Default is false. hour\_offset +/- number of hours to offset. minute\_offset +/- number of minutes to offset. **Example** \${\_formatDate} --> 2012-08-24 15:37

## **Return Date with Offsets (Advanced)**

Description	Returns the date after applying offsets. Optionally, can specify the output format.	
	Whether a holiday is treated as a business day or a non-business day is specified by the Exclude Holidays for Business Days Opswise Controller system property.	
Syntax	<pre>\${_formatDateAdv([date, format, year_offset, month_offset, day_offset, use_business_days, hour_offset, minute_offset])}</pre>	

## **Parameters** Optional; Date in format yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm or yyyy-MM-dd. Time (HH:mm) is optional. Default is the current date and time. format Optional; Format of returned date. Default is the format used when specifying the date parameter: yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm or yyyy-MM-dd. For details on the format parameter, see http://docs.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/text/SimpleDateFormat.html year\_offset Optional; +/- number of years to offset. • month\_offset Optional; +/- number of months to offset. • day\_offset Optional; +/- number of days to offset. use\_business\_days Optional; Specification (true or false) for whether day\_offset is for business days. Default is false. hour offset +/- number of hours to offset. minute\_offset +/- number of minutes to offset. **Examples** \${\_formatDateAdv} --> 2012-08-24 15:55 \$\[ \] \text{15.35} \\ \frac{1}{\frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\ \${\_formatDateAdv("2012-09-01","",0,0,5,false)} --> 2012-09-06

## **Return Non-Business Day of Month**

```
Description
              Returns the Nth non-business day of month for the month of the date specified. Optionally, can start from the end of the month.
                          Whether a holiday is treated as a business day or a non-business day is specified by the Exclude Holidays for
                          Business Days Opswise Controller system property.
Syntax
              ${_nonBusinessDayOfMonth(index, [date, format, reverse])}
Parameters
                    index
                      Required; Nth non-business day of month.
                    • date
                      Optional; Date in format yyyy-MM-dd. If blank, defaults to the current date.
                      format.
                       Optional; Format of returned date. Default is yyyy-MM-dd. For details on the format parameter, see
                      http://docs.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/text/SimpleDateFormat.html
                      Optional; Specification (true or false) for starting from the end of the month. Default is false.
Examples
                     ${_nonBusinessDayOfMonth(1)} --> 2012-08-04
                     ${_nonBusinessDayOfMonth(1,"2012-09-01")} --> 2012-09-01
${_nonBusinessDayOfMonth(1,"2012-09-01","",true)} --> 2012-09-30
```

## **Mathematical Functions**

#### **Return Modulo**

Description	Return the modulo (remainder) of the dividend divided by divisor.
Syntax	\${_mod(dividend, divisor)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>dividend         Integer being divided by the divisor.     </li> <li>divisor         Integer being used to divide the dividend.     </li> </ul>
Example	\${_mod("10", "2")}> 0 \${_mod("10", "3")}> 1 \${_mod("70", 65")}> 5  Using Variables for dividend and divisor (\${dividend} = 23, \${divisor} = 5):  \${_mod("\${dividend}", "\${divisor}")}> 3

## Add

Description	Return the sum of the augend added with the addend.
Syntax	\${_add(augend, addend)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>augend</li> <li>Integer to which the addend is being added.</li> <li>addend</li> <li>Integer being added to the augend.</li> </ul>
Example	\${_add("77", "33")}> 110
	Using Variables for augend and addend (\${augend} = 17, \${addend} = 5):
	\${_add("\${augend}","\${addend}")}> 22

## **Subtract**

Description	Return the difference of the subtrahend subtracted from the minuend.
Syntax	\${_subtract(minuend, subtrahend)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>minuend         Integer from which the subtrahend is being subtracted.     </li> <li>subtrahend         Integer being subtracted from the minuend.     </li> </ul>

# \$\{\\_subtract("77","33")\} --> 44 \\\$\{\\_subtract("33","77")\} --> -44

Using Variables for minuend and subtrahend (\${minuend} = 100, \${subtrahend} = 5):

```
${_add("${minuend}","${ subtrahend }")} --> 95
```

# Multiply

Description	Return the product of the multiplicand multiplied with the multiplier.
Syntax	<pre>\${_multiply(multiplicand, multiplier)}</pre>
Parameters	<ul> <li>multiplicand         Integer being multiplied by the multiplier.     </li> <li>multiplier         Integer being used to multiply the multiplicand.     </li> </ul>
Example	\${_multiply("7","20")}> 140
	Using Variables for multiplicand and multiplier (\${multiplicand} = 100, \${multiplier} = 5):
	<pre>\${_multiply("\${multiplicand}","\${multiplier}")}&gt; 500</pre>

## Divide

Description	Return the quotient of the dividend divided by divisor.
Syntax	<pre>\${_divide(dividend, divisor)}</pre>
Parameters	<ul> <li>dividend Integer being divided by the divisor.</li> <li>divisor Integer being used to divide the dividend.</li> </ul>

```
$\{ _divide("7", "20")\} --> 0
$\{ _divide("20", "7")\} --> 2
$\{ _divide("20", "5")\} --> 4

Using Variables for dividend and divisor ($\{dividend\} = 100, $\{\divisor\} = 5\)

$\{ _divide("$\{\dividend\}", "$\{\divisor\}")\} --> 20
```

## **Return Absolute Value**

Description	Return the absolute value of the parameter.
Syntax	{_abs(parameter)}
Parameters	• parameter Integer (positive or negative value).
Example	\${_abs("-1200")}> 1200 \${_abs("1200")}> 1200 Using Variables for parameter (\${parameter} = -100): \${_abs("\${parameter}")}> 100

## **SQL/Stored Procedure Functions**

## **Return SQL Results from Current Task**

Description	Returns all SQL results from the current SQL or Stored Procedure task. Columns are separated by the specified separator and rows are separated by a new line.
Syntax	\${_resultsAll([separator, rowSeparator])}
Parameters	Parameters:  • separator Optional; Column separator (default = comma). • rowSeparator Optional; Overrides default New Line character.
Example	

## **Return SQL Results from Sibling Task**

Descript	Returns all SQL results from a sibling SQL or Stored Procedure task, within the same workflow. Columns are separated	by the
	specified separator and rows are separated by a new line.	

Syntax	\${_resultsAllFromTask(name[, separator, rowSeparator])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>name         Required; Name of the sibling task that the results should come from. The task must be within the same workflow.</li> <li>separator         Optional; Column separator (default = comma).</li> <li>rowSeparator         Optional; Overrides default New Line character.</li> </ul>
Example	

# Return String Value of Row/Column by Column Name

Description	Returns the string value of a row/column from a previously executed SQL task within the same workflow, or from the current SQL task.
Syntax	\${_resultsColumn(name, colname[, rownum, default_value])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>name         Required; Name of a sibling SQL task within the same workflow from which you want the function to fetch results. If you want to execute the function against the current task, use an empty string for the name parameter.</li> <li>colname         Required; Name of column to retrieve.</li> <li>rownum         Optional; Numeric row number in result set to retrieve (default = 1).</li> <li>default_value         Optional; Default value to return if result not found.</li> </ul>
Example	

# Return String Value of Row/Column by Column Number

Description	Returns the string value of a row/column from a previously executed SQL task within the same workflow, or from the current SQL task.
Syntax	\${_resultsColumnByNo(name, colnum[, rownum, default_value])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>name         Required; Name of a sibling SQL task within the same workflow from which you want the function to fetch results. If you want to execute the function against the current task, use an empty string for the name parameter.</li> <li>colnum         Required; Number of column to retrieve. First column in result is 1, second is 2, and so on.</li> <li>rownum         Optional; Numeric row number in result set to retrieve (default = 1).</li> <li>default_value         Optional; Default value to return if result not found.</li> </ul>
Example	

## **Return Column Names for SQL Results from Current Task**

Description	Returns the column names for the SQL results from the current SQL or Stored Procedure task. Column names are separated by the specified separator.
Syntax	\${_resultsColumnNames([separator])}
Parameters	• separator Optional; Column name separator (default = comma).
Examples	

## **Return Column Names for SQL Results from Sibling Task**

Description	Returns the column names for the SQL results from a sibling SQL or Stored Procedure task, within the same workflow. Column names are separated by the specified separator.
Syntax	\${_resultsColumnNamesFromTask(name[, separator])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>name         Required; Name of the sibling task that the results should come from. The task must be within the same workflow.</li> <li>separator         Optional; Column name separator (default = comma).</li> </ul>
Examples	

## **Return String Values of Columns**

Description	Returns the string values of columns in a specific row in CSV (comma-separated values) format, from a previously executed SQL task within the same workflow, or from the current SQL task.
Syntax	\${_resultsColumnsCSV(name[, rownum])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>name         Required; Name of a sibling SQL task within the same workflow from which you want the function to fetch results. If you want to execute the function against the current task, use an empty string for the name parameter.</li> <li>rownum         Optional; Numeric row number in result set to retrieve (default = 1).</li> </ul>
Example	

## **Return SQL Warnings from Current Task**

Description	Returns all SQL warnings from the current SQL or Stored Procedure task. Columns are separated by the specified separator and rows are separated by a new line.
Syntax	\${_SQLWarnings([separator])}
Parameters	• separator Optional; Column separator (default = comma).
Example	

# **Return SQL Warnings from Sibling Task**

Description	Returns all SQL warnings from a sibling SQL or Stored Procedure task, within the same workflow. Columns are separated by the specified separator and rows are separated by a new line.	
Syntax	\${_SQLWarningsFromTask(name[, separator])}	
Parameters	<ul> <li>name         Required; Name of the sibling task that the warnings should come from. The task must be within the same workflow.     </li> <li>separator         Optional; Column separator (default = comma).     </li> </ul>	
Example		

# **String Functions**

String functions pass in either a value or a variable; for each String function that passes in a value, there is a corresponding String function that

#### passes in a variable.

String functions that pass in a variable are prefixed with \_var. The variables must be fully resolved; they cannot resolve to a function.

In the **Syntax** for each String function in the following tables, the name of each function that passes a **value** and the name of the corresponding function that passes a **variable** link to each other.



#### Note

Indexing functions use zero-based numbering; that is, the initial element is assigned the index 0.

## **Return Index of Substring in String Value**

Description	Returns the index within the string value of the first occurrence of the specified substring, str.
Syntax	\${_indexOf(value, str)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value         Any string.         str         Substring to search for. If the str argument occurs as a substring within the value, then the index of the first character of the first such substring is returned; if it does not occur as a substring, -1 is returned.     </li> </ul>
Example	

## **Return Index of Substring Plus Offset in String Value**

Description	Returns the index within this string of the first occurrence of the specified substring plus the specified offset. The integer returned is the smallest value.	
Syntax	\${_indexOfWithOffset(value, str, offset)}	
Parameters	<ul> <li>value         Required; Any string.</li> <li>str         Required; Substring to search for. If the str argument occurs as a substring within the value, then the index of the first character of the first such substring is returned; if it does not occur as a substring, -1 is returned.</li> <li>offset         Required; Number (positive or negative) to offset the found index.</li> </ul>	
Example		

## **Return Index of Rightmost Occurrence of Substring in String Value**

Description	Returns the index within the string value of the rightmost occurrence of the specified substring, str.
Syntax	\${_lastIndexOf(value, str)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value         Required; Any string.</li> <li>str         Required; Substring to search for. If the str argument occurs one or more times as a substring within the value, then the index of the first character of the last such substring is returned. If it does not occur as a substring, -1 is returned.</li> </ul>
Example	

# Return Index of Rightmost Occurrence of Substring Plus Offset in String Value

Description	Returns the index within this string of the rightmost occurrence of the specified substring, plus the specified offset. The returned index is the largest value.
Syntax	\${_lastIndexOfWithOffset(value, str, offset)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value         Required; Any string.</li> <li>str         Required; Substring to search for. If the str argument occurs as a substring within the value, then the index of the first character of the first such substring is returned; if it does not occur as a substring, -1 is returned.</li> <li>offset         Required; Number (positive or negative) to offset the found index.</li> </ul>
Example	

# **Return Length of Value**

Description	Returns the length of value.
Syntax	\${_length(value)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value Required; Any string.</li> </ul>
Example	

# Replace Substring of Value with Regular Expression

Description	Replaces each substring of value that matches the specified regular expression, regex, with the specified replacement.
Syntax	\${_replaceAll(value, regex, replacement)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value Required; Input string.</li> <li>regex Required; Regular expression.</li> <li>replacement Required; Replacement string.</li> </ul>
Example	

# Return New String that is Substring of Value

Description	Returns a new string that is a substring of value. The substring begins at begin_index and extends to the character at end_index -1.
Syntax	\${_substring(value, begin_index[, end_index])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value         Required; String to make a substring from.</li> <li>begin_index         Required; Beginning index, inclusive.</li> <li>end_index         Optional; Ending index, exclusive.</li> </ul>

```
${_substring("hamburger", 4, 8)}
    resolves to "urge".
${_substring("smiles", 1, 5)}
    resolves to "mile".
```

## **Convert Characters in Value to Lower Case**

Description	Converts all of the characters in the value to lower case using the rules of the default locale.
Syntax	\${_toLowerCase(value)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value Required; String to convert to lower case.</li> </ul>
Example	

## **Convert Characters in Value to Upper Case**

Description	Converts all of the characters in the value to upper case using the rules of the default locale.
Syntax	\${_toUpperCase(value)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value Required; String to convert to upper case.</li> </ul>
Example	

# **Return Copy of Value with Whitespace Omitted**

Description	Returns a copy of value, with leading and trailing whitespace omitted.
Syntax	\${_trim(value)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>value Required; String to trim.</li> </ul>
Example	

# **Return Index of Substring within String Variable**

Description	Returns the index within the string variable of the first occurrence of the specified substring, str.
Syntax	\${_varIndexOf(variableName, str)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> <li>str Required; Substring to search for. If the str argument occurs as a substring within the variable, the index of the first character of the first such substring is returned; if it does not occur as a substring, -1 is returned.</li> </ul>
Example	

# **Return Index of Substring Plus Offset in String Variable**

Description	Returns the index within this string of the first occurrence of the specified substring plus the specified offset. The integer returned is the smallest variable.	
Syntax	\${_varIndexOfWithOffset(variableName, str, offset)}	
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName         Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> <li>str         Required; Substring to search for. If the str argument occurs as a substring within the variable, then the index of the first character of the first such substring is returned; if it does not occur as a substring, -1 is returned.</li> <li>offset         Required; Number (positive or negative) to offset the found index.</li> </ul>	
Example		

# Return Index of Rightmost Occurrence of Substring in String Variable

Description	Returns the index within the string variable of the rightmost occurrence of the specified substring, str.	
Syntax	{_varLastIndexOf(variableName, str)}	
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName         Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> <li>str         Required; Substring to search for. If the str argument occurs one or more times as a substring within the variable, then the index of the first character of the last such substring is returned. If it does not occur as a substring, -1 is returned.</li> </ul>	
Example		

# Return Index of Rightmost Occurrence of Substring Plus Offset in String Variable

Description	Returns the index within this string of the rightmost occurrence of the specified substring, plus the specified offset. The returned index is the largest variable.	
Syntax	\${_varLastIndexOfWithOffset(variableName, str, offset)}	
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName         Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> <li>str         Required; Substring to search for. If the str argument occurs as a substring within the variable, then the index of the first character of the first such substring is returned; if it does not occur as a substring, -1 is returned.</li> <li>offset         Required; Number (positive or negative) to offset the found index.</li> </ul>	
Example		

# **Return Length of Variable**

Description	Returns the length of variableName.
Syntax	\${_varLength(variableName[, useEmptyForUndefined])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName         Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> <li>useEmptyForUndefined         Optional; Specification (true or false) for the handling of a missing variable name. Default is false.         <ul> <li>If useEmptyForUndefined = true, the function will return 0.</li> <li>If useEmptyForUndefined = false, the function will remain unresolved if the variable name does not exist.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Example	

# Replace Substring of Variable with Regular Expression

Description	Replaces each substring of variableName that matches the specified regular expression, regex, with the specified replacement.	
Syntax	\${_varReplaceAll(variableName, regex, replacement)}	
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName         Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> <li>regex         Required; Regular expression.</li> <li>replacement         Required; Replacement string.</li> </ul>	
Example		

# Return New String that is Substring of Variable

Description	Returns a new string that is a substring of variableName. The substring begins at begin_index and extends to the character at {end_index}} -1.
Syntax	\${_varSubstring(variableName, beginIndex, endIndex)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName         Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> <li>begin_index         Required; Beginning index, inclusive.</li> <li>end_index         Required; Ending index, exclusive.</li> </ul>
Examples	<pre>\${_substring("hamburger", 4, 8)}   resolves to "urge". \${_substring("smiles", 1, 5)}   resolves to "mile".</pre>

## **Convert Characters in Variable to Lower Case**

Description	Converts all of the characters in the variable to lower case using the rules of the default locale.
Syntax	\${_varToLowerCase(variableName)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName</li> <li>Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> </ul>
Example	

# **Convert Characters in Variable to Upper Case**

Description	Converts all of the characters in the variable to upper case using the rules of the default locale.
Syntax	\${_varToUpperCase(variableName)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName</li> <li>Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> </ul>
Example	

# **Return Copy of variable**

Description	Returns a copy of variableName, with leading and trailing whitespace omitted.
Syntax	\${_varTrim(variableName)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>variableName</li> <li>Required; Variable that this function is passing in.</li> </ul>
Example	

# **System Functions**

# Resolve to GUID (Globally Unique ID)

Description	Resolves to a 32-byte GUID (Globally Unique ID).
Syntax	\${_guid}
Parameters	(none)
Example	

## **Resolve to Host Name**

Description	Resolves to the hostname of the machine running the Controller, if available.
Syntax	\${_hostname}
Parameters	(none)
Example	

## **Resolve to IP Address**

Description	Resolves to the IP address of the machine running the Controller.
Syntax	\${_ipaddress}
Parameters	(none)
Example	

## **Generate Random Number**

Description	Generates a random number between max (inclusive) and min (inclusive)
Syntax	<b>\$</b> {_ <b>random</b> ([max, min])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>max         Optional; Upper bound (inclusive) on the random number (default = 9).     </li> <li>min         Optional; Lower bound (inclusive) on the random number (default = 0).     </li> </ul>
Example	

## **Resolve Variable**

Description	Resolves the variable specified by the variable_name parameter and substitutes the default_value if the variable cannot be resolved.
Syntax	\${_resolve(variable_name, default_value)}
Parameters	<ul> <li>variable_name</li> <li>Required; Variable name.</li> <li>default_value</li> <li>Required; Default value to use if the variable cannot be resolved.</li> </ul>
Example	

# **Resolve Variable (Advanced)**

Description	Resolves the variable specified by the variable_name parameter and substitutes the default value if the variable cannot be resolved.
Syntax	\${_resolveadv(variable_name, default_value, [use_default_if_blank])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>variable_name         Required; Variable name.</li> <li>default_value         Required; Default value to use if the variable cannot be resolved.</li> <li>use_default_if_blank         Optional; Specification (true or false) for whether or not to use the default value if the variable is empty or blank. (If use_default_if_blank is false, _resolveadv behaves like _resolve.)</li> </ul>
Example	

# **Display Variables**

Description	Displays all the defined and built-in variables associated with the task instance.	
Syntax	\${_scope}	
Parameters	(none)	
Example	<pre>\${_scope}&gt; {ops_workflow_id=, ops_task_type=Unix, ops_status=DEFINED, ops_retry_interval=60, ops_exit_code=0, ops_retry_maximum=0, ops_cmd_parms=, ops_cmd=ls -la; exit \${_random('9')};, ops_retry_count=0, ops_agent_id=67e4994143d26172019df4ba9df9ab0a, ops_task_id=84880af243d26172019aald25988a8f9, ops_task_name=Opswise - Linux Ls}</pre>	

# Resolve to SYS\_ID

Description	Resolves to the sys_id of the first task instance found within the same workflow specified by the sibling name.
Syntax	<pre>\${_siblingid(sibling_name)}</pre>
Parameters	• sibling_name Required; Sibling name.

```
${_siblingid("Timer 60")}
--> 5dbaaab943d26172015e10ab3e894e10
```

# **Resolve to Variable Value**

Description	Locates the specified variable in the specified sibling task instance within the same workflow and resolves to the variable value.
Syntax	\${_varLookup(sibling_name, variable_name[,def])}
Parameters	<ul> <li>sibling_name         Required; Name of the sibling task instance from which the function is collecting the variable value.</li> <li>variable_name         Required; Name of the variable being collected by the function.</li> <li>def         Optional; default value to return if the variable is not defined in the sibling task instance.</li> </ul>
Example	