RTI Connext Core Libraries Release Notes

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Chapter 1

Introduction

RTI® Connext® 7.2.0 is a feature release, based on release 7.1.0.

This document includes the following:

- System Requirements
- Compatibility
- What's Fixed in 7.2.0
- Previous Releases
- Known Issues
- Experimental Features

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 - Documentation, at https://community.rti.com/documentation
 - Best Practices,
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Chapter 2

System Requirements

2.1 Introduction

Connext requires a multi-threaded operating system. This section describes the supported host and target systems.

In this context, a host is the computer on which you will be developing a *Connext* application. A target is the computer on which the completed application will run. A host installation provides the *RTI Code Generator* tool (*rtiddsgen*), examples and documentation, as well as the header files required to build a *Connext* application for any architecture. You will also need a target installation, which provides the libraries required to build a *Connext* application for that particular target architecture.

Supported platforms, for all products in the Connext suite are listed in these tables:

- Table 2.1 *Supported Platforms for Connext Professional*. This table is for platforms that are supported in Connext Professional.
- Table 2.3 *Supported Platforms for Connext Secure, Connext Anywhere, and Add-ons*. This table is for platforms that are supported in Connext Secure, Connext Anywhere, and Add-ons.

Early Access releases are intended to showcase the latest *Connext* features; they support a smaller subset of platforms in comparison to LTS releases. The upcoming LTS release shall support a larger number of platforms.

Subsequent Early Access and LTS releases may not support all of the platforms supported in this release, or may support different versions of platforms supported in this release.

See the Core Libraries Platform Notes for more information on each platform.

2.2 Supported Platforms

X = Supported

Platforms					Connext Professional					
							Infrastructure Services			
OS	OS Version	CPU	Toolchain	RTI Architecture	Core Libraries	LBED [10]	Persistence Ser- vice [13]	Routing Service	Recording Service	Web Integration Service
Linux	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8, 9 Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 20.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS [12]	x64	gcc 7.3.0	x64Linux4gcc7.3.0	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7, 7.3, 7.5, 7.6 CentOS 7.0	x64	gcc 4.8.2	x64Linux3gcc4.8.2	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS	Armv8 (target only) [2]	gcc 7.3.0	armv8Linux4gcc7.3.0	X	X		X	X	X
	Ubuntu 18.04 LTS	Armv7 (target only) [2]	gcc 7.5.0	armv7Linux4gcc7.5.0	X		X	X	X	
Windows	Windows 10 [3], 11, Windows Server 2016	x64	VS 2017, 2019, 2022	x64Win64VS2017	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Windows 10 Windows Server 2012 R2, 2016	x64	VS 2015	x64Win64VS2015	X	X	X	X	X	Х
macOS	macOS 11, 12	x64	clang 12.0, 13.0	x64Darwin20clang12.0	X		X	X	X	X
	macOS 11, 12	Armv8 (target only) [11]	clang 12.0, 13.0	arm64Darwin20clang12.0	X		X	X	X	Х
QNX (target only)	QNX Neutrino 7.1	Armv8 [2]	qcc_gpp 8.3.0	armv8QNX7.1qcc_gpp8.3.0	X			X	X	
VxWorks (tar- get only)	VxWorks 22.09 [9]	x64	llvm 13.0.1.3	x64Vx22.09llvm13.0.1.3 x64Vx22.09llvm13.0.1.3_rtp	X					

Table 2.1: Supported Platforms for Connext Professional

Table 2.2: (Continued) Supported Platforms for Connext Profes-

sional

Platforms			Connext Professional				
			Tools				
OS	OS Version	CPU	Shapes Demo	Launcher	Monitor	Admin Console	System Designer
Linux	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7, 7.3, 7.5, 7.6 8, 9	x64	X	Х	X	X	X [5]
	Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 20.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS						
	CentOS 7.0						
	[12]						
	Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS	Armv8 (target only) [2]					
	Ubuntu 18.04 LTS	Armv7 (target only) [2]					
Windows	Windows 10 [3], 11	x64	X	Х	X	Х	X [7]
	Windows Server 2012 R2, 2016						
macOS	macOS 11, 12	x64	X	Х	Х	X	X [6]
	macOS 11, 12	Armv8					
		(target only) [11]					
QNX (target only)	QNX Neutrino 7.1	Armv8 [2]					
VxWorks (target only)	VxWorks 22.09 [9]	x64					

Table 2.3: Supported Platforms for Connext Secure,	Connext Any-
where, and Add-ons	

Platforms			Connext Secure			Connext Anywhere		Add-ons					
		Security Plugins for	Security Plu- gins for wolf-	TLS Sup- port for	Cloud Discovery	Real-Time Wan	Security Plugins	Limited Bandwidth	Observability Framework				
OS	OS Version CPU	CPU	Toolchain	RTI Architecture	OpenSSL [1]	SSL [8]	OpenSSL [1]	Service	Transport	SDK [1]	Plug-ins	Observabil- ity Collector Service	Observ- ability Library
Linux	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8, 9 Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 20.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS [12]	x64	gcc 7.3.0	x64Linux4gcc7.3.0	Х	Х	X	X	X	X	X	X	Х
	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7, 7.3, 7.5, 7.6 CentOS 7.0	x64	gcc 4.8.2	x64Linux3gcc4.8.2	Х		X	X	Х	X	X	Х	Х
	Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS	Armv8 (target only) [2]	gcc 7.3.0	armv8Linux4gcc7.3.0	X		X		Х		X		Х
	Ubuntu 18.04 LTS,	Armv7 (target only) [2]	gcc 7.5.0	armv7Linux4gcc7.5.0	X		Х		Х				х
Windows	Windows 10 [3], 11, Windows Server 2016	x64	VS 2017, 2019, 2022	x64Win64VS2017	Х		X	X	X	X	X		Х
	Windows 10 Windows Server 2012 R2, 2016	x64	VS 2015	x64Win64VS2015	Х		X	X	Х	Х	X		Х
macOS	macOS 11, 12	x64	clang 12.0, 13.0	x64Dar- win20clang12.0	Х		X	X	X	X			X
	macOS 11, 12	Armv8 (target only) [11]	clang 12.0, 13.0	arm64Dar- win20clang12.0	Х		X	X	Х				Х
QNX (target only)	QNX Neutrino 7.1	Armv8 [2]	qcc_gpp 8.3.0	armv8QNX7.1qcc_gpp8.3	3.0X	Х	X		X				X
VxWorks (target only)	VxWorks 22.09 [9]	x64	llvm 13.0.1.3	x64Vx22.09llvm13.0.1.3 x64Vx22.09llvm13.0.1.3_	X [4] rtp				Х				Х

[1] Tested with OpenSSL 3.0.9 unless stated otherwise	[8] Tested with wolfSSL 5.5.1
[2] These libraries require a hardware FPU in the processor and are compatible with systems with hard-float libc	[9] Future releases may support a different version
[3] Per Microsoft, this should be compatible with Windows 10 IoT Enterprise with Windows native application	[10] LBED = Limited Bandwidth Endpoint Discovery Plugin
[4] Tested with OpenSSL from VxWorks 22.09	[11] Requires Rosetta® 2 during installation, not required at runtime
[5] Tested on Ubuntu 18.04 LTS only, with Chrome 77, and Firefox 69	[12] This should also work on WindRiver Linux 9
[6] Tested on macOS 10.14 only, with Chrome 77, Firefox 69, and Safari 12	[13] In PERSISTENT mode, tested with filesystem (with SQLite)
[7] Tested on Windows 10 only, with Chrome 77 and Firefox 69	

2.3 Requirements when Using Microsoft Visual Studio

Note: Debug versions of applications and the various Visual C++ DLLs are not redistributable. Therefore, if you want to run debug versions, you must have the compiler installed.

When Using Visual Studio 2015 — Update 3 Redistributable Package Requirement

You must have the Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2015 Update 3 installed on the machine where you are running an application linked with dynamic libraries. This includes C/C++ dynamically linked and all Java applications.

You can download the Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2015 Update 3 from this Microsoft website: https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=53840.

When Using Visual Studio 2017 — Redistributable Package Requirement

You must have the Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2017 installed on the machine where you are running an application linked with dynamic libraries. This includes C/C++ dynamically linked and all Java applications.

You can download the Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2017 from this Microsoft website: https://visualstudio.microsoft.com/vs/older-downloads/. Then look in this section: "Redistributables and Build Tools" for Microsoft Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2017".

When Using Visual Studio 2019 — Redistributable Package Requirement

You must have the Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2019 installed on the machine where you are running an application linked with dynamic libraries. This includes C/C++ dynamically linked and all Java applications.

You can download the Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2019 from this Microsoft website: https://visualstudio.microsoft.com/vs/older-downloads/. Then look in this section: "Other Tools and Frameworks" for Microsoft Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2019".

When Using Visual Studio 2022 — Redistributable Package Requirement

You must have the Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2022 installed on the machine where you are running an application linked with dynamic libraries. This includes C/C++ dynamically linked and all Java applications.

You can download the Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2022 from this Microsoft website: https://www.visualstudio.com/downloads/. Then look in this section: "Other Tools, Frameworks, and Re-distributables" for Microsoft Visual C++ Redistributable for Visual Studio 2022".

2.4 Disk and Memory Usage

Disk usage for a typical host-only installation is approximately 802 MB on Linux systems and 821 MB on Windows systems. Each additional architecture (host or target) requires an additional 498 MB on Linux systems and 609 MB on Windows systems.

We recommend that you have at least 256 MB RAM installed on your host development system. The target requirements are significantly smaller and they depend on the complexity of your application and hardware architecture.

Chapter 3

Compatibility

Below is basic compatibility information for this release.

Note: For backward-compatibility information between this and previous releases, see the *Migration Guide* on the RTI Community Portal (https://community.rti.com/documentation).

3.1 Wire Protocol Compatibility

Connext communicates over the wire using the formal Real-Time Publish-Subscribe (RTPS) protocol. RTPS has been developed from the ground up with performance, interoperability and extensibility in mind. The RTPS protocol is an international standard managed by the OMG. The RTPS protocol has built-in extensibility mechanisms that enable new revisions to introduce new message types, extend the existing messages, or extend the Quality of Service settings in the product—without breaking interoperability.

RTPS 1.0 was introduced in 2001. The currently supported version is OMG Real-Time Publish-Subscribe (RTPS) specification, version 2.5, although some features are not supported. Unsupported features currently are FilteredCountFlag in GAP Submessage, HeartbeatFrag Submessage, and ALIVE_FILTERED instance state. RTI plans to maintain interoperability between middleware versions based on RTPS 2.1. For more details, see Table 3.1 *RTPS Versions*.

Table 3.1 *RTPS Versions* shows RTPS versions supported for each *Connext* release. In general, RTPS 2.1 and higher versions are interoperable, unless noted otherwise. RTPS 2.0 and RTPS 1.2 are incompatible with current (4.2e and later) versions of *Connext*.

Although RTPS 2.1 and higher versions are generally interoperable, there may be specific wire protocol interoperability issues between *Connext* releases. These issues are documented in the "Wire Protocol" section for your release, in the *Migration Guide* on the RTI Community Portal (https://community.rti.com/documentation). Wire protocol issues between 5.3.1 and previous releases are documented in the *Core Libraries Release Notes* for release 5.3.1.

Connext Release	RTPS Stan-	RTPS Pro-
	dard Ver-	tocol Ver-
	sion ^{Page 9, 1}	sion ^{Page 9, 2}
Connext 7.1.0 and above	2.5 (partial	2.5
	support)	
Connext 6 and 7.0.0	2.3 (partial	2.3
	support)	
Connext 5.2 and 5.3	2.2	2.1
<i>Connext</i> 4.5f - 5.1	2.1	2.1
Data Distribution Service 4.2e - 4.5e	2.1	2.1
Data Distribution Service 4.2c	2.0	2.0
Data Distribution Service 4.2b and lower	1.2	1.2

Table 3.1: RTPS Versions

3.2 Code and Configuration Compatibility

The *Connext* core uses an API that is an extension of the OMG Data Distribution Service (DDS) standard API, version1.4. RTI strives to maintain API compatibility between versions, but will conform to changes in the OMG DDS standard.

The *Connext* core primarily consists of a library and a set of header files. In most cases, upgrading simply requires you to recompile your source using the new header files and link the new libraries. In some cases, minor modifications to your application code might be required; any such changes are noted in the *Migration Guide* on the RTI Community Portal (https://community.rti.com/documentation). The *Migration Guide* also indicates whether and how to regenerate code.

3.3 Extensible Types Compatibility

This release of *Connext* includes partial support for the OMG 'Extensible and Dynamic Topic Types for DDS' specification, version 1.3 (DDS-XTypes) from the Object Management Group (OMG). This support allows systems to define data types in a more flexible way, and to evolve data types over time without giving up portability, interoperability, or the expressiveness of the DDS type system.

For information related to compatibility issues associated with the Extensible Types support, see the *Migration Guide* on the RTI Community Portal (https://community.rti.com/documentation). See also the *RTI Connext Core Libraries Extensible Types Guide* for a full list of the supported and unsupported extensible types features.

¹ Version number of the RTPS standards document, OMG Real-Time Publish-Subscribe (RTPS) specification, version 2.5

² RTPS wire protocol version number that *Connext* announces in messages it puts on the wire

Chapter 4

What's Fixed in 7.2.0

This section describes bugs fixed in Connext 7.2.0.

4.1 Discovery

4.1.1 SPDP2 participants may not have completed discovery if IP mobility event occurred during discovery

When using Simple Participant Discovery Protocol 2.0, discovery may not have completed between two *DomainParticipants* if one *DomainParticipant* changed locators due to an IP mobility event before its configuration message was received by the remote participant. You would have had to wait for *DomainParticipant* liveliness to expire at the participant_liveliness_lease_duration for discovery to be restarted. Now, the locator change is correctly propagated to the remote participant and participant discovery will complete.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13384]

4.1.2 Crash if initial_peers sequence contained a NULL string

Previously, if you configured the initial peers sequence through code, you could potentially add a NULL element. *Connext* did not check for the NULL element; therefore, when the *DomainParticipant* was created in this case, *Connext* crashed. Now a NULL element will be reported, resulting in an 'inconsistent qos' failure when creating the *DomainParticipant*.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13802]

4.1.3 Failure to deserialize participant discovery information incorrectly allowed discovery to complete

It was possible for participant discovery to "succeed" even if the deserialization of the participant discovery information failed. In those cases, this error was printed:

PRESCstReaderCollator_storeSampleData:deserialize sample error in topic
'DISCParticipant' with type 'DISCParticipantParameter'

This incorrect 'success' could have led to unexpected behavior or crashes. This problem has been fixed. Now participant discovery won't complete if deserialization issues are detected.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12952]

4.1.4 Unbounded memory growth when creating/deleting DomainParticipants

In *Connext* 7.1.0, a *DomainParticipant* was not freeing some of the memory associated with a remote *Domain-Participant* that was deleted. This may have led to unbounded memory growth if your applications continuosly create/delete *DomainParticipants*. When this growth occurred, you may have seen the following error message:

ERROR [DELETE DP|LC:DISC]COMMENDAnonWriterService_assertRemoteReader:DELETION FAILURE | skiplist node already removed

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13964]

4.2 Serialization and Deserialization

4.2.1 Unbounded memory growth when deserializing SPDP discovery sample

Potential unbounded memory growth occurred when some parameters appeared multiple times within a Simple Participant Discovery Protocol (SPDP) discovery sample. This problem has been fixed. See also *Some parameters cannot be received multiple times within same SPDP sample*.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13594]

4.2.2 Wrong error message when deserializing PropertyQos property value and exceeding property_string_max_length resource limit

If property_string_max_length was exceeded when deserializing the PropertyQos property value, the resulting error message was wrong (the value of the maximum size in particular). This problem has been fixed. Now the error message shows the correct information.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13678]

4.2.3 Potential unexpected behavior or crash when deserializing SPDP discovery sample

Potential unexpected behavior or a crash could occur when deserializing some inconsistent or malformed parameters within a Simple Participant Discovery Protocol (SPDP) discovery sample. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13811]

4.3 Debuggability

4.3.1 Instance State Consistency QoS was commented out when printed out as XML from code

When the instance_state_consistency_kind in the RELIABILITY QoS policy was printed as XML from code (for example, while calling DDS_DataWriterQos_to_string_w_params() in the C API), it was commented out. It is printed out now without the XML <!-- and --> strings.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13909]

4.3.2 DataWriter instance statistics were not updated in all cases

The instance statistics within the DDS_DataWriterCacheStatus were not correct if dds. data_writer.history.source_timestamp_based_autopurge_instances_delay on that *DataWriter* was also being used. This issue has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13278]

4.4 Transports

4.4.1 Connext started before Windows completed duplicate address detection on network interfaces

In some cases, such as the use of *Connext* in a Windows service, *Connext* would be started before Windows completed duplicate address detection on its network interfaces. This would result in the inability to use those interfaces in *Connext*.

Connext will now delay the usage of Windows network interfaces until duplicate address detection completes successfully (i.e., the DadState is IpDadStatePreferred).

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13425]

4.4.2 Ungracefully terminated QNX processes using SHMEM transport prevented startup of new processes due to unclosed POSIX semaphores

If a QNX application using the shared-memory transport was ungracefully shut down, crashed, or otherwise had an abnormal termination while holding a POSIX semaphore used by the transport (for example, while sending data through the shared-memory transport), *Connext* applications launched after that point on the same domain may have waited forever for that semaphore to be released.

This problem has been resolved. However, the fix makes communication with applications from a previous *Connext* version impossible when using the shared-memory transport. If you try to use shared memory with old applications, you will see the following error message(s):

```
incompatible shared memory protocol detected.
Current version 5.0 not compatible with x.y.
```

OR

```
incompatible shared memory protocol detected.
Current version x.y not compatible with 5.0.
```

There is no way to be backwards-compatible. You will have to use other transports such as UDPv4.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-9434]

4.4.3 QNX applications using shared-memory transport may have led to thread priority inversion issues

Running QNX applications using the *Connext* shared-memory transport may have led to thread priority inversion issues.

This problem has been resolved. However, the fix makes communication with applications from a previous *Connext* version impossible when using the shared-memory transport. If you try to use shared memory with old applications, you will see the following error message(s):

```
incompatible shared memory protocol detected.
Current version 5.0 not compatible with x.y.
OR
incompatible shared memory protocol detected.
Current version x.y not compatible with 5.0.
```

There is no way to be backwards-compatible. You will have to use other transports such as UDPv4.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13745]

4.4.4 Stalled communication when using shared-memory transport

On systems with a weak memory architecture, such as Arm®, the shared-memory transport may have been corrupted due to a data race in the concurrent queue where the messages are written into the shared-memory segment. This data race may have occurred until received_message_count_max messages were sent through the transport. The corrupted transport resulted in parsing errors, which filled up the shared-memory segment. For example, you may have seen messages such as the following:

```
MIGInterpreter_parse:available space 24 < 28
MIGInterpreter_parse:!RTPS
MIGInterpreter_parse:INVALID from 0X1014D5A,0X7E8C7D92
NDDS_Transport_Shmem_send:failed to add data. shmem queue for port 0x1d3e is_
ofull (received_message_count_max=2880, receive_buffer_size=100971520). Try_
oto increase queue resource limits.</pre>
```

This problem has been resolved. Now the data race that led to this situation cannot occur.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13846]

4.4.5 Overflow in default TransportMulticastMappingQosPolicy procedure

This release fixes an integer overflow in a function that maps a multicast IP address to *DataReaders*. You may now see a different IP address being assigned to a *DataReader* when the TRANSPORT_MULTICAST_MAP-PING QoS policy is set and the default DDS_TransportMulticastMappingFunction_t is used.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13653]

4.5 Reliability Protocol and Wire Representation

4.5.1 Samples lost by reliable reader acknowledging samples it did not receive after remote writer update

A reliable *DataReader* may have lost samples by incorrectly acknowledging samples it did not receive. This could occur after a remote *DataWriter* update, such as if the writer had an IP mobility event or updated its QoS policy. When the reader processed this event, it began sending a periodic ACK/NACK at the nack_period to the writer until it received another message from the writer. This ACK/NACK acknowledged samples up to the last sequence number that it received from the writer, even if samples before that sequence number had not been received. When the writer received this ACK/NACK, it may have considered those samples to be fully acknowledged.

The reader could request the lost samples again, but if the reader was using **VOLATILE** durability, the remote writer would GAP for the samples and they would not be resent. If the reader was using **TRANSIENT_LO-CAL** durability, the writer would resend the samples if they were still available, but if the writer had updated the send window beyond the samples being requested, the samples would not be resent and would be lost.

This issue has been resolved. If a reader receives a remote writer update from a writer that is still alive, it will not begin sending additional ACK/NACKs at the nack_period to the writer. This prevents the reader from incorrectly acknowledging samples it did not receive. If a reader receives a remote writer update from a writer

that is not alive, it will send additional ACK/NACKs at the nack_period to the writer, but the bitmap will accurately represent the missing samples rather than acknowledging the last received sample. Samples are no longer lost because they are not incorrectly acknowledged.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13611]

4.5.2 Inconsistent RTPS protocol versions broadcasted by Connext

Previously, *Connext* broadcasted different RTPS protocol versions in different messages. The versions are fixed and unified in this release.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13676]

4.5.3 Sample loss when using asynchronous publisher due to missing GAP

Samples may have been lost when using an asynchronous publisher in the following scenario:

- 1. A reader sent a NACK to the writer requesting missing samples where the first m (where $m \ge 0$) samples should have been sent to the reader and at least the last n (where $n \ge 2$) samples were not for the reader (for example, were filtered with a content filter).
- 2. Some (but not all) of the n samples were no longer present in the writer queue (for example, were removed due to exceeding the writer_qos.history.depth).
- 3. The next sample after the NACK bitmap sent by the reader was also not for the reader.

In this scenario, the writer may have failed to send a GAP to the reader to inform the reader about the samples that were not for the reader. The reader may then have continued to NACK for these samples and failed to progress, leading to sample loss.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13844]

4.6 Content Filters and Query Conditions

4.6.1 Instance handling on a DataReader and filtering operations in ContentFilteredTopics, QueryCondition, TopicQueries, and Multi-Channel DataWriters may have failed

Starting in 6.0.0, you may have experienced invalid results in filtering operations when using ContentFilteredTopics, QueryCondition, TopicQueries, or Multi-Channel *DataWriters*. This issue may have resulted in *DataReaders* not receiving samples they should have. The following error message occurred: DDS_SqlFilter_evaluateOnSerialized:deserialization error: sample. This issue may also have caused failures on a *DataReader* when setting writer_qos.protocol.disable_inline_keyhash to TRUE on a matching *DataWriter*. This could have led to incorrect instance handling, where two different instances were considered the same.

This problem was specific to *Topic* types containing optional members, and occurred when the *DataReaders* and *DataWriters* on the *Topic* used XCDRv1 encapsulation. The problem affected all languages.

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13829]

4.7 Dynamic Data

4.7.1 Problems with int8/uint8 support

Previous releases of *Connext* had problems supporting int8/uint8. There were issues serializing/deserializing the type and getting/setting the values with DynamicData.

Support for int8/int8 has been improved. Generated code will now send and receive the data correctly in all languages. The only pending issue (not yet fixed in this release) is int8/uint8 collection in Python (RTI Issue ID CODEGENII-1912). This release also adds a method to DynamicData to set and get the data with the correct type and sign. This release provides a Java method to access unsigned integers.

This fix does not change the Type Kind on the wire. Features and products, such as *Admin Console*, that rely on the Type Kind for the data will not be able to detect the type correctly.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-8865]

4.7.2 Connext did not print array dimensions for aliases that were arrays

When printing the type information for a type that is an alias of an array type, the array dimensions are now output for both the IDL and XML representations.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13651]

4.8 Performance and Scalability

4.8.1 Performance degradation when using FlatData with ContentFilteredTopics

In previous releases, a *DataWriter* using FlatData and doing writer-side filtering for *DataReaders* using ContentFilteredTopics may have done more data copies than necessary, leading to suboptimal performance. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13250]

4.8.2 Performance issues when using FlatData with payload encryption or compression

You may have seen performance issues when using the FlatData language binding along with compression or payload encryption. In this case, the number of copies of each sample was not reduced to two, as is expected when using FlatData. (See "34.1.4 FlatData Language Binding" in the *Core Libraries User's Manual*.) This issue removed the performance improvement that FlatData provides, but *only* when compression or payload encryption was enabled. This problem did not occur when using FlatData without compression or payload encryption. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11262]

4.8.3 Transport utilization metrics overflowed in applications with high throughput

Transport utilization periodic metrics (like dds_participant_udpv4_usage_in_net_bytes_count or dds_participant_udpv6_usage_out_net_bytes_count) could overflow in high-throughput applications (for example, applications that wrote and/or received large data with high frequency). If the polling period of *Monitoring Library 2.0* (previously called *Observability Library*) was big enough, the variation of the metrics in the period of time did not fit into a 32-bit integer.

If a metric overflowed, an error message like the following was produced:

```
ERROR RTI_Monitoring_getTransportUtilizationStatistics:TYPE CONVERSION_

→FAILURE | count (4421753352) exceeds max. representable UINT32 for metric_

→with metricGroupIndex 22
```

The metric was not propagated to Observability Dashboards in this case.

To mitigate this issue, transport utilization count metrics have been promoted to a 64-bit integer. Reducing the polling period also makes the overflow less likely.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-597]

4.9 APIs (C or Traditional C++)

4.9.1 Some DDS_TypeCode operations may have crashed when invalid arguments were used

Some operations related to DDS_TypeCode did not properly check for NULL arguments, which could have caused a crash. Checks are now in place to avoid this issue.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13681]

4.9.2 Several C API DDS_GUID functions did not account for NULL parameters correctly

Multiple DDS_GUID functions from the C API such as DDS_GUID_copy did not account for NULL as their input parameters. Both the documentation and the implementation for these functions should now reflect the correct behavior.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13483]

4.10 APIs (Modern C++ API)

4.10.1 Unexpected rti.connextdds.PreconditionNotMetError when setting optional string members in QoS policies

Attempting to assign a non-set value to an optional string member in a QoS policy in modern C++ resulted in the generation of an rti.connextdds.PreconditionNotMetError.

The QoS policy members affected by this issue were:

```
EntityName::name
EntityName::role_name
Monitoring::application_name
MonitoringPeriodicDistributionSettings::datawriter_qos_profile_name
MonitoringEventDistributionSettings::datawriter_qos_profile_name
MonitoringLoggingDistributionSettings::datawriter_qos_profile_name
MonitoringDedicatedParticipantSettings::participant_qos_profile_name
MonitoringDistributionSettings::publisher_qos_profile_name
```

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13801]

4.10.2 Move constructors for some of the built-in topic-types were incorrectly implemented

This issue was fixed in release 6.1.0, but not documented at that time.

The implementation of the move constructor and move assignment for the built-in topic types, such as PublicationBuiltinTopicType, may have caused undefined behavior. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13791]

4.10.3 Manually closing some built-in readers could lead to a crash

Calling close () on the built-in *DataReaders* with topic names service_request_topic_name or virtual_subscription_topic_name could have led to a crash. (Note that if they were not manually closed, which is not necessary, the issue did not happen.) This issue has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13757]

4.10.4 Incorrect implementation of DynamicDataMemberInfo constructor and assignment may have led to undefined behavior

It was not safe to copy a DynamicDataMemberInfo object. Using its copy constructor or copy-assignment operator may have led to undefined behavior if the DynamicData object that created it had been destroyed before. This problem has been resolved by making DynamicDataMemberInfo a true value type. It now owns the memory instead of relying on the related DynamicData object to be alive.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13753]

4.10.5 int8_t, uint64_t, int64_t not supported as primitive types in C++11 (Modern C++) Dynamic Type API

The types int8_t, uint64_t, int64_t were not accepted as a valid type for the templates of dds::core::xtypes::PrimitiveType. Therefore, the following code did not compile with C++11:

The issue with int64_t and uint64_t was fixed in release 7.0.0. The error with int8_t is fixed in this release, 7.2.0. Now, the above code will compile and work.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13689]

4.10.6 Policy getter for rti::core::policy::Monitoring previously missing

The policy getter for the rti::core::policy::Monitoring QoS was previously missing in Modern C++. The missing getter has now been added.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-552]

4.11 APIs (Java)

4.11.1 Possible memory leak in DynamicData copy constructor

In the Java API only, under certain conditions, copying a DynamicData object using the constructor that receives another DynamicData object may have leaked native heap memory. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13609]

4.11.2 Some ReliabilityQos methods did not consider the instance state consistency QoS

The copy_from and equals methods, as well as the implementation of the hash code for objects of that class, were not complete; they were missing the instance_state_consistency_kind QoS. This problem has been remedied.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13785]

4.12 APIs (Python)

4.12.1 Access to collection elements in some DynamicData accessors was not zero-based

Given a DynamicData instance sample with a sequence or array field (my_seq), when accessed via a nested field expression, the indexes were 1-based, not 0-based as in the rest of the API accessors. For example, the following was incorrect because the first element was 1:

value = sample["my_seq[0].x"]

This problem has been resolved. Now, indexes are zero-based and the expression above is valid.

[RTI Issue ID PY-98]

4.13 APIs (Multiple Languages)

4.13.1 Looking up a DataReader using the wrong class in Modern C++ or Python did not raise clear exception

In Modern C++, when using the find_datareader_by_topic_name or find_datawriter_by_topic_name functions and the wrong *DataReader* type, the function may have returned an invalid entity. Now, it will throw a dds::core::InvalidArgumentError. For example:

```
auto dr =
    rti::sub::find_datareader_by_topic_name<DataReader<Foo>>(
    dds::sub::builtin_subscriber(participant),
    dds::topic::publication_topic_name());
```

In Python, the following code now throws a dds.InvalidArgumentError:

since the right DataReader class for the built-in PublicationBuiltinTopicData reader is dds.
PublicationBuiltinTopicData.DataReader, not dds.DataReader.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13800]

4.13.2 Alias type not obtainable using a QosProvider

Alias types were not obtainable using a QosProvider. This problem affected all language bindings that support a QosProvider. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13830]

4.14 XML Configuration

4.14.1 Incorrect parsing of data_representation attribute in XML type definitions

The type attribute data_representation was not parsed correctly. This could result in a type requiring a different representation (XCDR1, XCDR2, or both) than defined by the XML for the type.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13769]

4.14.2 Creating Topic-specific entities from a <qos_profile> using QoS profile inheritance and/or composition returned incorrect values

Topic-specific entities include *DataWriter*, *DataReader* and *Topic*. Their corresponding tags <datareader_qos>, <datawriter_qos> and <topic_qos> contain the topic_filter attribute that allows you to indicate which Topic name the XML values should be used for. The internal mechanism of the Core Libraries XML parser had a bug where incorrect values could be returned from a <qos_profile> when the following conditions were true:

- 1. The <qos_profile> used QoS Profile inheritance and/or composition, where the parent QoS Profiles contained any of the above Topic-specific entities.
- 2. The <qos_profile> did not contain the QoS tag for the *Topic*-specific entity being created by pointing to it: for example, in the C API, if you called DDS_DomainParticipant_create_datawriter_with_profile() on a <qos_profile> that did not contain a <datawriter_qos> tag.

This issue has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13438]

4.14.3 configuration_variables tag was not effective

The <configuration_variables> tag was visible and accepted by the *Connext* .xsd files, but it had no effect: the configured values were not used by the Core Libraries to set the value of XML-defined environment variables. This has been corrected. Now, the <configuration_variables> tag can be used to define default values for XML-defined environment variables, which will take effect if those environment variables are not set on the terminal.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11871]

4.14.4 Using languageBinding attribute on union types in XML caused parsing error

When a union type that used the languageBinding attribute was created in XML, a parsing error would result. This issue has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13905]

4.15 Instances

4.15.1 Instances transitioned due to instance state consistency did not respect propagate_dispose_of_unregistered_instances

By default, *Connext* does not support transitions between NOT_ALIVE instance states; however, this can be configured on the *DataReader* by setting **propagate_dispose_of_unregistered_instances** and/or **propagate_unregister_of_disposed_instances** in the DATA_READER_PROTOCOL QoS policy. Instances that were transitioned due to instance state consistency (i.e., instances that transitioned upon recovering liveliness with a previously matched *DataWriter*) were not abiding by this configuration and may have transitioned from NOT_ALIVE_NO_WRITERS to NOT_ALIVE_DISPOSED even though **propagate_dispose_of_unregister_instances** was false. This issue has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13477]

4.15.2 Instance purging based on source timestamp did not work

In 7.1.0, the source timestamp-based purge delay did not purge instances based on their source timestamp. Instead, it purged instances based on their sequence number. This problem has been resolved. Now, the **dds.data_writer.history.source_timestamp_based_autopurge_instances_delay** property works as intended.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13911]

4.16 Crashes

4.16.1 Race condition when using multiple threads to enable same DomainParticipant

Suppose you created a disabled *DomainParticipant*. If you used multiple threads to enable this *DomainParticipant*, then a race condition may have led to a segmentation fault in release libraries or a precondition error in debug libraries. The precondition error looked similar to this:

```
REDAWeakReference_getReferent:!precondition: !((reference) != ((void_

→*)0) && (reference)->_manager != ((void *)0) && (reference)->_

→referentEpochAtCreation != (0)) || tableWithStartedCursor==((void *)0)

RTINetioReceiver removeEntryport:!goto WR NetioReceiver Entryport
```

This problem has been fixed. Calling enable() on a *DomainParticipant* is now thread-safe with respect to other calls to enable() on the same *DomainParticipant*.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13535]

4.16.2 Possible crash gathering periodic metrics for a resource that was being added or deleted at the same time

Due to concurrency issues in the thread that gathers the periodic metrics of the observable resources, an application might have crashed because the thread accessed invalid memory. The crash could occur in any of the following scenarios:

- When a resource was deleted (for example, you deleted a *DataWriter*) at the same time that *Monitoring Library* 2.0 (formerly called *Observability Library*) was gathering the periodic metrics of that resource. The thread may have accessed already freed memory.
- When a resource was added (for example, you created a *DataWriter*), the thread could start gathering the periodic metrics of that resource before the resource was completely initialized. The thread may have accessed uninitialized memory.

Depending on the configured polling_period for periodic metrics and the frequency your application creates and deletes observable resources, the chances of the conditions explained above happening at the same time were unlikely.

These concurrency issues are now fixed. *Monitoring Library 2.0* will not gather periodic metrics for resources that are being deleted or added.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-533]

4.16.3 Potential crash when configuring logging verbosity to NDDS_CON-FIG_LOG_VERBOSITY_STATUS_LOCAL or higher

Connext Receive threads may have crashed as a result of a race condition during the Receive thread destruction process.

This problem, which was only possible when the *Connext* logging verbosity was set to NDDS_CON-FIG_LOG_VERBOSITY_STATUS_LOCAL or higher (i.e., more verbose than STATUS_LOCAL), is now resolved: Receive threads no longer crash during their destruction.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13649]

4.16.4 Malloc called when handling SIGSEGV

Previously, when handling a segmentation violation signal (SIGSEGV), it was possible for malloc to be called while logging backtrace information. In certain scenarios, this could cause another segmentation violation, and this cycle of events would continue indefinitely. Now, malloc will not be called when handling segmentation violation signals.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13396]

4.16.5 Calling delete_contained_entities APIs could cause a crash in the thread that collects periodic metrics

If your application used any of the delete_contained_entities APIs (e.g., DDS_DomainParticipant_delete_contained_entities) and *Monitoring Library 2.0* (previously called *Observability Library*) was still enabled, there was a possibility of a crash happening in the thread that collects periodic metrics. The crash happened because the children DDS Entities were removed before deleting their observable resources. Therefore, the periodic metrics thread could try to collect metrics for an observable resource whose DDS Entity no longer exists.

This issue is now fixed. The periodic metrics collector thread will not try to collect metrics for observable resources that are being deleted.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-549]

4.16.6 Application could crash when disabling and re-enabling Monitoring Library 2.0 due to internal error

If there was an error in an internal function of *Monitoring Library 2.0* (formerly known as *Observability Library*), depending on the memory state an application using the Library could crash in the following scenario:

- 1. Monitoring Library 2.0 was enabled.
- 2. You created some DDS Entities (DomainParticipant, Publisher, DataReader ...) in your application.
- 3. You disabled and re-enabled the Library. Due to an internal error, an exception was printed in the RTI_Monitoring_collectDdsResources function.
- 4. You deleted any DDS Entity before disabling the Library.

Because of the error in RTI_Monitoring_collectDdsResources, the observable resources associated with the DDS Entities were not updated for the second activation of the Library. The DDS Entities kept the old observable resources object from the previous activation, which were no longer valid.

When deleting the DDS Entities, these old observable resources were used without checking their validity. The behavior was undefined at that point and, depending on the memory state, the application could crash.

This issue is now fixed. *Monitoring Library 2.0* no longer uses observable resources without checking their validity first.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-548]

4.16.7 Low-memory conditions could lead to crash on several platforms if allocation of high resolution clock failed

If the system was running very low in memory, a failure to allocate the high-resolution clock could then lead to a crash, since a NULL pointer would have been dereferenced while attempting to handle the failure. This issue applied to all platforms except Windows, Solaris, and Integrity, where the issue would not have occurred. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13899]

4.17 Entities

4.17.1 Monitoring Library 2.0 incorrectly collected both enabled and disabled DDS Entities

In the previous release, *Monitoring Library 2.0* (then called *Observability Library*) incorrectly collected both enabled and disabled DDS Entities if the library was enabled after creating the entities. Now, *Monitoring Library 2.0* will only assert enabled DDS Entities, ensuring that disabled entities are not unnecessarily collected. Disabled DDS Entities are asserted when they are enabled.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-594]

4.17.2 Application may have hung when deleting a monitored DDS entity

If *RTI Monitoring Library 2.0* (previously called *Observability Library*) was enabled, you deleted a DDS entity (for example, by calling DDS_Publisher_delete_datawriter or a similar API), and periodic metrics were being collected for the same DDS entity, the application may have hung. The hang occurred because the deletion thread and the periodic thread took the same pair of semaphores in inverted order.

This hang is now fixed. Periodic metrics are not collected for an entity that is being deleted.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-580]
4.17.3 Monitoring Library 2.0 did not assert disabled DDS Entities when the Entities were enabled

If *Monitoring Library 2.0* (previously called *Observability Library*) was enabled in an application and then DDS Entities were created disabled (by setting the entity_factory.autoenable_created_entities QoS setting to false), disabled Entities were not asserted by the library when they were enabled. This meant that these DDS Entities were never observed by *Monitoring Library 2.0*.

This issue is fixed. Disabled DDS Entities (and all their contained Entities) are now asserted after enabling.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-574]

4.18 Interoperability

4.18.1 Possible incomplete endpoint discovery when communicating with other DDS vendors

Connext only supports a maximum of four representations in the DATA_REPRESENTATION QoS policy for readers, and one representation for writers. However, other DDS vendors may support more than this. If a *Connext* endpoint was communicating with another vendor's endpoint with more than the supported representations, there may have been interoperability issues:

- Without Security: Builtin Topic Publication/Subscription listeners failed to call the associated callbacks for received discovery samples from other vendors announcing more than one data representation for writers, or more than four data representations for readers.
- With Security: If enabled, the *RTI Security Plugins* failed to interoperate with other vendors announcing more than one data representation for writers, or more than four data representations for readers.

This problem no longer occurs. In the case of a *DataReader* with more than four representations, *Connext* now uses only the first four. In the case of a *DataWriter* with more than one representation, *Connext* now uses only the first.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13836]

4.19 Vulnerabilities

4.19.1 Out-of-bounds read while deserializing malformed partition parameters from malicious RTPS message

An out-of-bounds read may have occurred while descrializing malformed partition parameters from a malicious RTPS message. This issue has been fixed.

User Impact without Security

A vulnerability in the *Connext* application could have resulted in the following:

- Out-of-bounds read while parsing a malicious RTPS message.
- Remotely exploitable.
- Potential impact on confidentiality of *Connext* application.
- CVSS Base Score: 6.5 MEDIUM
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:N/A:L

User Impact with Security

Same as "User Impact without Security," above.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13669]

4.19.2 Out-of-bounds read while deserializing malformed IPv6 locator from malicious RTPS message

An out-of-bounds read may have occurred while deserializing a malformed IPv6 locator from a malicious RTPS message. This issue has been fixed.

User Impact without Security

A vulnerability in the *Connext* application could have resulted in the following:

- Out-of-bounds read while parsing a malicious RTPS message.
- Remotely exploitable.
- Potential impact on confidentiality of *Connext* application.
- CVSS Base Score: 6.5 MEDIUM
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:N/A:L

User Impact with Security

Same as "User Impact without Security," above.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13764]

4.19.3 Remote modification of DomainParticipant names in unsecure system

In a system without security, a vulnerability in the *Connext* application could have potentially allowed remote attackers to modify the *DomainParticipant* name of any *DomainParticipant* in the system. This issue has been fixed.

User Impact without Security

A vulnerability in the *Connext* application could have resulted in the following:

- Any *DomainParticipant* could have its participant's name changed by an attacker.
- Remotely exploitable.
- Potential impact on integrity of *Connext* application.
- CVSS Base Score: 5.3 MEDIUM
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:L/A:N

User Impact with Security

No impact when using the *Security Plugins* if enabling rtps_protection or if discovery_protection_kind is different than NONE: in this case, participant discovery samples will be protected against tampering from an external malicious agent after authentication is completed. Moreover, non-legitimate changes in the participant discovery information before authentication are always prevented by the authentication process, which ensures that the participant discovery information is authentic.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13817]

4.20 Other

4.20.1 Possible hang in application if something failed while adding a new observable resource

An application might have hanged if something went wrong while adding a new observable resource (for example, you created a *DataWriter*). Before the hang, you would have seen an exception error in the RTI_Moni-toringResourceRegistry_assertResource function. However, not all errors in this function led to the hang. This issue is now fixed.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-534]

4.20.2 Native Android applications were not shipped

Native Android applications are now included in Android target bundles, along with the APKs.

[RTI Issue ID INSTALL-789]

4.20.3 Error creating a DataWriter using durable writer history if setting property dds.data_writer.history.odbc_plugin.builtin.sample_cache_max_size to -1

Creating a *DataWriter* using durable writer history and setting the property dds.data_writer. history.odbc_plugin.builtin.sample_cache_max_size to -1 may have failed with the following error:

!allocate sample buffer pool

Even if the *DataWriter* creation did not fail, the value of dds.data_writer.history. odbc_plugin.builtin.sample_cache_max_size would be incorrectly applied. The value was set to dds.data_writer.history.odbc_plugin.builtin.instance_cache_max_size for keyed topics and 1 for unkeyed topics.

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13732]

4.20.4 References to missing header file in Connext Professional source bundle

The Connext Professional source bundle included references to a header file in the xmlutils.1.0 module that is not part of the source bundle. As a result, if you were building *Connext* from source, you were unable to complete the build due to the missing header file. RTI has now removed this dependency from the xmlutils.1.0 module.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12846]

4.20.5 Application may have hung when event and event snapshot were published simultaneously for same observable resource

When *RTI Observability Collector Service* discovers a *Connext* application, *RTI Monitoring Library* 2.0 (previously called *Observability Library*) automatically sends a special sample named "event snapshot". This sample contains the current values of event metrics for each observable resource. If an event (for example, liveliness change) was triggered for an observable resource at the same time as an event snapshot was being published for the same resource, the application may have hung. The hang occurred because the thread that published the event and the thread that published the snapshot took the same pair of semaphores in inverted order.

This hang is fixed. Now, both threads take the semaphores in the same order.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-584]

4.20.6 Access to an internal field of observable resources was not thread safe

In *Monitoring Library* 2.0 (previously known as *Observability Library*), if a remote administration command was issued for an observable resource (such as changing the Forwarding verbosity level of an application) at the same time that periodic metrics were collected for the same resource, an internal field of the resource was accessed by the two threads unsafely. The value of the internal field could remain in an inconsistent state, which, in the worst case, might have led to a deadlock when deleting the resource.

This issue is fixed. Accesses to the internal field are now thread safe.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-575]

4.20.7 Deadlock issue resolved when disabling Monitoring Library 2.0 during command processing

In the previous release, a deadlock could occur if *RTI Monitoring Library 2.0* (previously known as *RTI Observability Library*) was disabled while a remote administration command was being processed. The hang was caused because the thread that processed the command and the thread that disabled the Library took the same pair of semaphores in inverted order.

This issue has been addressed in this release. Disabling the Library while a remote administration command is being processed is now thread safe.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-609]

4.20.8 Running rtisetenv_<arch>.bat caused issues in PATH environment

In release 7.1.0, running rtisetenv_<arch>.bat may have caused issues in the PATH environment on Windows. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID INSTALL-880]

4.20.9 Unable to start Launcher, Admin Console, Code Generator, and Monitor in Windows when the RTI Workspace contained white spaces

On Windows systems, *Launcher*, *Admin Console*, *Code Generator*, and *Monitor* failed to start when the RTI Workspace contained white spaces. This issue has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID TELEMETRY-28]

Chapter 5

Previous Releases

5.1 What's Fixed in 7.1.0

This section describes bugs fixed in Connext 7.1.0. These fixes have been made since 7.0.0 was released.

5.1.1 Fixes Related to Discovery

Potential memory leak when creation of any of the built-in discovery plugins failed

The first time a *DomainParticipant* is created in an application, some memory is allocated globally for each of the built-in discovery plugins (SPDP and SEDP) enabled for that *DomainParticipant*. This global memory is released when finalizing the *DomainParticipantFactory* instance.

However, if there was a failure in the creation of any of the builtin discovery plugins during the *DomainParticipant* creation, the *DomainParticipantFactory* was not notified properly that this global memory was allocated. Therefore, finalizing the *DomainParticipantFactory* instance did not release the memory, causing a leak.

This problem is fixed. Finalizing the *DomainParticipantFactory* instance always releases the memory if it was previously allocated, regardless of whether or not a failure occurred.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12882]

Unbounded memory growth when using domain tags or DomainParticipant partitions

Whenever a *DomainParticipant* discovered another *DomainParticipant* that it did not match with, either due to a mismatched domain tag or participant partition, some state was kept that was never removed if the *DomainParticipant* never received an announcement from that same mismatched participant indicating that it had been shut down. This led to unbounded memory growth, which could become an issue in systems where *DomainParticipants* with various different domain tags or partitions were coming and going.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12973]

Error deleting remote endpoints with specific GUID prefixes using debug libraries

An error occurred when using debug libraries in the unlikely case that a *DomainParticipant* had a zero value as the hostId, appId, or instanceId. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13261]

Most up-to-date participant configuration may not have been received by other participants and may have led to discovery not completing

It was possible that a configuration change in *DomainParticipant* 'A' may not have been received by *Domain-Participant* 'B' if the change occurred while the two participants were discovering each other. Examples of configuration changes are a change in the PROPERTY QoS policy or an IP mobility event in which *Domain-Participant* 'A' changes one of its IP addresses.

Not having the most recent configuration may have led to discovery not happening if the change was due to an IP mobility event.

The problem only occurred when discovery used multiple transports (e.g, SHMEM and UDPv4). This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13359]

Participant failed to assert remote participant if usability of shared memory transport changed

In 7.0.0, a DomainParticipant failed to assert a remote DomainParticipant if the usability of the shared memory transport changed, resulting in the following log message:

```
ERROR [0x010114FE,0x12488672,0x8EE3B6BC:0x000100C7{Entity=DR,MessageKind=DATA}
→ | RECEIVE FROM 0x0000000, 0x0000000, 0x00000000:0x000100C2 |:0x000001C1
↔{Domain=0}|ASSERT REMOTE DP|LC:DISC]PRESParticipant_assertConfiguredRemoteParticipant:AS
→FAILURE | compare immutable remote participant 0x01017851,0x3B428DDD,
→0x514330AA config RW
ERROR [0x010114FE, 0x12488672, 0x8EE3B6BC:0x000100C7{Entity=DR, MessageKind=DATA}
↔ | RECEIVE FROM 0x00000000, 0x00000000, 0x00000000: 0x000100C2 | LC:DISC]DISCParticipantDiscove
↔assertRemoteParticipantConfig:!assert remote participant: 0x01017851,
↔0x3B428DDD,0x514330AA,0x000001C1
ERROR [0x010114FE, 0x12488672, 0x8EE3B6BC:0x000100C7{Entity=DR, MessageKind=DATA}
→assertRemoteParticipantFull:ASSERT FAILURE | remote participant 0x01017851,
↔0x3B428DDD,0x514330AA config information
ERROR [0x010114FE,0x12488672,0x8EE3B6BC:0x000100C7{Entity=DR,MessageKind=DATA}
↔ | RECEIVE FROM 0x00000000, 0x00000000, 0x00000000: 0x000100C2 | LC:DISC] PRESParticipantAnnounce
→onDataAvailable:!assert remote participant
```

You may have run into this issue if a shared memory segment was deleted during runtime and a DomainParticipant updated its configuration information. A change in the shared memory usability will no longer cause this failure.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13360]

Unexpected warning during discovery when multicast disabled

Connext logged a warning during the discovery process when multicast was disabled. The message warned about unreachable multicast locators. The message was unexpected and has been removed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13403]

Unexpected, invalid locator propagated within builtin topics

A *DataReader* could unexpectedly propagate an invalid locator to a *DataWriter* for certain builtin topics. The issue did not affect functionality, since the locator was discarded on the *DataWriter* side. The bug that sent the invalid locator has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13416]

5.1.2 Fixes Related to Serialization and Deserialization

Unexpected union value when receiving a discriminator that does not select any union member on DataReader's type

When the property **dds.sample_assignability.accept_unknown_union_discriminator** was set to 1, previous *Connext* releases were not always compliant with the latest OMG 'Extensible and Dynamic Topic Types for DDS' specification, version 1.3 when a *DataWriter* publishes a union sample with a discriminator value that selects a union member, and a *DataReader* subscribes to a union type that does not have a union member for the discriminator published by the *DataWriter*.

For example:

```
/* Publisher */
union MyUnion switch(int32) {
    case 0:
       int32 m1;
    case 1:
       int16 m2;
    case 2:
        double m3;
};
/* Subscriber */
union MyUnion switch(int32) {
    case 0:
       int32 m1;
    case 1:
        int16 m2;
};
```

In this example, if the *DataWriter* published a sample with a discriminator value set to 2 selecting m3, the *DataReader* received a sample where the discriminator is set to 0 and m1 is set to 0, the default value of the union. According to the OMG 'Extensible and Dynamic Topic Types for DDS' specification, version 1.3, the

DataReader should preserve the discriminator value received from the *DataWriter* even if this discriminator value does not select any member in the *DataReader's* union.

This problem only occurred when one of these conditions was true:

- The unions are mutable regardless of the data encapsulation (XCDR1 or XCDR2).
- The unions are appendable, and the encapsulation is XCDR2.

Note if the union discriminator did not select any member on the *DataWriter's* type, such as 3 in the above example, the *DataReader* received the expected discriminator 3.

This release accepts a new value for the **dds.sample_assignability.accept_unknown_union_discriminator** property:

- 0 (existing value and default value): Received samples containing a union discriminator value that selects a union member on the *DataWriter* but not on the *DataReader* are dropped.
- 1 (existing value) : Received samples containing a union discriminator value that selects a union member on the *DataWriter* but not on the *DataReader* are set to the default union value.
- 2 (new value): Received samples containing a union discriminator value that selects a union member on the *DataWriter* but not on the *DataReader* preserve the discriminator value.

Received samples containing a union discriminator value that does not select a union member on the *DataWriter* always preserve the discriminator value on the *DataReader* with **dds.sample_assignability.ac-cept_unknown_union_discriminator** set to 1 or 2, unless the union discriminator value is an enumerator which is not valid on the *DataReader's* type. In this case, the union is set to its default value.

To be compliant with the OMG 'Extensible and Dynamic Topic Types for DDS' specification, version 1.3, set the value to 2.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13058]

Serialization of samples failed or produced a segmentation fault for types with max serialized size larger than 2GB

A *DataWriter* may have failed to send a sample due to serialization errors when the sample's type had a max serialized size with a value larger than 2GB.

For example:

```
@nested
struct MyNestedStruct2 {
    sequence<octet, 150000000> m1;
};
@nested
struct MyNestedStruct {
    sequence<octet, 100000000> m1;
    MyNestedStruct2 m2;
};
struct MyStruct {
```

```
MyNestedStruct m1;
};
```

In this example, the serialize operation failed with an error like this:

For 32-bit platforms, the application may have produced a segmentation fault instead of failing to serialize.

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12687]

Potential sample corruption when deserializing a malformed RTPS message

A sample could be corrupted/incomplete with no error logged in the case of a deserialization failure in the transport info parameter of the RTPS message. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13366]

Unbounded memory growth when deserializing a malformed RTPS message

Potential unbounded memory growth occurred while parsing a malicious RTPS message. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13397]

5.1.3 Fixes Related to Debuggability

Hang/crash when invoking a DataReader/DataWriter discovery snapshot within a callback function

A hang or even a crash occurred when trying to get a discovery snapshot from a *DataReader* or *DataWriter* within a callback. RTI strongly recommends avoiding calling discovery snapshot APIs in callback functions in release 7.0.0. This issue has been fixed in 7.1.0.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12959]

Memory leak if network capture initialization failed

Failure to initialize network capture for a *DomainParticipant* may have caused a memory leak of 746 kB. The leak only happened (upon *DomainParticipant* creation) if the initialization failed when creating the status mutex for a manager:

!create status mutex for the network capture manager

This issue is now fixed. A failure creating the status mutex for a manager does not leak memory anymore.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13018]

Unexpected log messages at warning verbosity

You may have seen the following unexpected log messages at the warning verbosity level:

```
!get xxx remoteWriter
!get xxx remoteReader
!goto WR xxx remote reader
!goto WR xxx remote writer
```

These warnings did not signal any unexpected scenario, and they have been removed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13434]

Unexpected fatal error when number of instances reached the limit

In 7.0.0, an unexpected fatal error could be logged when the following occurred:

- A Data Writer is configured to use durable writer history.
- The number of instances reached the **max_instances** limit set in the *DataWriter's* RESOURCE_LIMITS QoS.
- *Connext* could not find an instance to delete (such as an unregistered one), to replace with the new instance. So the new instance could not be added.

This log message is expected, but it is not a fatal error, so its verbosity has been updated to WARNING, as follows:

```
WriterHistoryOdbcPlugin_createResources:FIND FAILURE | Instance for_

→replacement
WriterHistoryOdbcPlugin_addInstance:OUT OF RESOURCES | Exceeded the number of_

→instances. Current registered instances (128), maximum number of instances_

→ (128) (writer_qos.resource_limits.max_instances)
```

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13496]

5.1.4 Fixes Related to Transports

Possible data loss after a Connext application lost its multicast interfaces or gained its first multicast interface

The IP mobility feature detects when the interfaces of an application change, then propagates these changes. If an IP mobility event causes either the loss of the last interface that supported multicast or the gain of the first interface that supports multicast, the way other applications communicate with the application that experienced the IP mobility event changes.

Previously, that transition did not happen properly and may have led to data losses. This problem has been fixed. Now, communication is not affected by these interface changes.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12609]

DomainParticipant with non-default metatraffic_transport_priority QoS did not complete discovery

A *DomainParticipant* that had a non-default **metatraffic_transport_priority** in the DISCOVERY QoS Policy was not able to complete endpoint discovery due to a unicast metatraffic channel that was not created correctly. (The channel is used by the participant to send Data(R) and Data(W).)

This issue was introduced in 6.1.0. This issue has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12739]

dds.transport.minimum_compatibility_version property did not properly adjust locator format

Connext 5.3.0 introduced a new shared memory locator format. *DomainParticipants* in *Connext* 5.3.0 (and above) use the new locator format by default. To allow interoperability with *Connext* versions before 5.3.0, you must indicate to *DomainParticipants* to use the old locator format.

There are two properties for telling a *DomainParticipant* to use the old locator format: **dds.transport.use_530_shmem_locator_matching** (undocumented and deprecated) and **dds.transport.mini-mum_compatibility_version**. The latter is a newer property that combines several other properties. Its purpose is to set the transport to be compatible with the specified version in a simplified manner.

The problem with the newer property, **dds.transport.minimum_compatibility_version**, was that it did not adjust the locator format depending on the *Connext* version. The workaround was to use the **dds.transport.use_530_shmem_locator_matching** property instead. This issue has been fixed. You can now use **dds.transport.minimum_compatibility_version** without issue.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12789]

TCP Transport did not run with Windows debug libraries when socket_monitoring_kind was set to IOCP

An internal error prevented the TCP transport from running on Windows with debug libraries when the **socket_monitoring_kind** was set to the recommended value of NDDS_TRANS-PORT_TCPV4_SOCKET_MONITORING_KIND_WINDOWS_IOCP. The error has been corrected.

[RTI Issue ID COREPLG-654]

5.1.5 Fixes Related to Reliability Protocol and Wire Representation

Samples not delivered to Required Subscription DataReaders when DataWriter used durable writer history and DataReaders disabled positive ACKs

A sample may not have been delivered to a Required Subscription *DataReader* if the *DataWriter* was using durable writer history and there were matching *DataReaders* configured with **reader_qos.protocol.disable_positive_acks**. This behavior violated the required subscription contract. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12825]

DataReader may not have received samples that were sent as gapped samples to another DataReader over multicast

A *DataReader* may not have received samples that were sent as gapped samples to another *DataReader* over multicast. A GAP tells a *DataReader* that it should not expect to receive the samples that are listed in the GAP message. In some cases, when a *DataWriter* was responding to a *DataReader's* NACK message, the response contained a GAP which identified samples that should not have been gapped for any other *DataReader* aside from the *DataReader* whose NACK was being responded to. This was a problem if the NACK response was sent over multicast and was received by other *DataReaders*, because those *DataReaders* would incorrectly assume those gapped samples were irrelevant and would never receive them.

This issue has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13104]

DDS fragmentation may have led to more fragments than expected for a sample

In 7.0.0, you may have noticed that when using middleware-level fragmentation and a flow controller where **bytes_per_token** is set to a value smaller than the minimum transport **message_size_max** across all installed transports, the number of sample fragments generated for a sample may have been bigger than expected. Although this was not a functional issue, it may have led to performance degradation.

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13190]

Unexpected precondition error with debug libraries on a reliable DataWriter while sending a GAP

In the 6.1.2 and 7.0.0 releases, you may have seen the following precondition error while using the *Connext* debug libraries.

```
DL Debug: :
                            Backtrace:
141: DL Debug: :
                                    #4 COMMENDSrWriterService_sendGapToRR /rti/jenkins/
-workspace/connextdds_ci_fastbuild-debug_develop/commend.1.0/srcC/srw/
→SrWriterService.c:4096 (discriminator 9) [0x5B101E]
                                        #5 COMMENDSrWriterService onSendDataEvent /rti/jenkins/
141: DL Debug: :
-workspace/connextdds_ci_fastbuild-debug_develop/commend.1.0/srcC/srw/
→SrWriterService.c:6570 [0x5BACF6]
141: DL Debug: : #6 RTIEventActiveGeneratorThread_loop /rti/jenkins/
workspace/connextdds_ci_fastbuild-debug_develop/event.1.0/srcC/
↔activeGenerator/ActiveGenerator.c:307 [0x28E2FC]
141: DL Debug: :
                                    #7 RTIOsapiThreadFactory_onSpawned /rti/jenkins/
-workspace/connextdds_ci_fastbuild-debug_develop/osapi.1.0/srcC/
→threadFactory/ThreadFactory.c:208 [0x1F3A42]
                                       #8 RTIOsapiThreadFactory_onSpawned /rti/jenkins/
141: DL Debug: :
workspace/connextdds_ci_fastbuild-debug_develop/osapi.1.0/srcC/

→threadFactory/ThreadFactory.c:208 [0x1F3A42]

141: DL Debug: : #9 RTIOsapiThreadChild_onSpawned /rti/jenkins/workspace/

where the second 
\hookrightarrow [0x1EDB64]
141: DL Debug: :
                                       #10 start_thread /build/glibc-CVJwZb/glibc-2.27/npt1/
→pthread create.c:463 [0x76DB]
141: DL Debuq: : #11 clone /build/qlibc-CVJwZb/qlibc-2.27/misc/../sysdeps/
→unix/sysv/linux/x86_64/clone.S:97 [0x12161F]
141: DL Fatal: : FATAL rCoRTInk####Evt [0x01014F91,0x39810444,
→0x4EC68AEA:0x000004C2|RECEIVE FROM remote DR (GUID: 0x01015FBD,0x5892DC7E,
→0x9DB082D4:0x00004C7).
141: ] Mx00:/rti/jenkins/workspace/connextdds_ci_fastbuild-debug_
→develop/commend.1.0/srcC/srw/SrWriterService.c:4099:RTI0x200003b:!
→precondition: "((((gapStartSn)->high) > (((&(gapBitmap)->_lead))->
→high)) ? 1 : ((((gapStartSn)->high) < (((&(gapBitmap)->_lead))->high))_
→? -1 : ((((gapStartSn)->low) > (((&(gapBitmap)->_lead))->low)) ? 1 :_
→(((((gapStartSn)->low) < (((&(gapBitmap)->_lead))->low)) ? -1 : 0)))) >= 0
→"
141: DL Error: : ERROR [0x01014F91,0x39810444,0x4EC68AEA:0x000004C2|RECEIVE_
→ FROM remote DR (GUID: 0x01015FBD, 0x5892DC7E, 0x9DB082D4:0x000004C7).
141: ] COMMENDSrWriterService_onSendDataEvent:!send GAP
```

This error was generated by a reliable *DataWriter* sending a GAP to a reliable *DataReader*. After the error was printed, the *DataReader* may have stopped receiving data from the *DataWriter*, leading to a non-recoverable situation. This problem did not occur with release libraries. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13462]

5.1.6 Fixes Related to Content Filters and Query Conditions

Unexpected "RTIXCdrSampleInterpreter_initializeSampleWInstruction" error log messages when using QueryConditions, ContentFilteredTopics, TopicQueries, or Multi-Channel

In releases 6.0.x and 6.1.x, a *Connext* application using QueryConditions, ContentFilteredTopics, Topic-Queries, or Multi-Channel may have logged an error message like the following when applying filtering to some samples:

```
RTIXCdrSampleInterpreter_initializeSampleWInstruction: <Type>:<Field Name>_

→initialize error
```

A potential workaround was to set the property **dds.content_filter.sql.deserialized_sample.min_buffer_size** to -1 in the participant_qos.**property** QoS Policy. However, this may have led to a higher memory utilization.

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13328]

5.1.7 Fixes Related to Dynamic Data

DynamicData DataWriters incorrectly serialized optional empty sequences as null

In previous 6.0.0 releases and above, a DynamicData *DataWriter* incorrectly serialized an optional empty sequence as null. When a *DataReader* received the sample, it describes the wrong value.

For example, assume the following type:

```
struct AuditLogEntry {
    long long Nanoseconds;
    @optional sequence<long long, 100> Details;
};
```

If the publishing application set Details to an empty sequence with zero elements, the serialized value was incorrectly set to null. When a *DataReader* received the sample, it incorrectly set Details to null instead of the empty sequence with zero elements.

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12866]

5.1.8 Fixes Related to APIs

DynamicData method to get member type missing in Modern C++ and C# APIs

The method to retrieve a member type from a DynamicData object was not provided in the Modern C++ and C# APIs. The following methods have now been added:

- C++: DynamicData::member_type(const std::string& name) and member_type(uint32_t id)
- C#: DynamicData.GetMemberType(string name) and GetMemberType(int id)

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13371]

Fixes Related to Modern C++ API

banish and subject_name APIs were unresolved in Modern C++ Windows dynamic libraries

The Modern C++ APIs **banish_ignored_participants**, **discovered_participant_subject_name**, and **discovered_participants_from_subject_name** were unresolved symbols in the nddscpp2 Windows dynamic libraries. If you attempted to use them, you would get LNK2019 unresolved external symbol errors. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13053]

Unnecessary small memory allocation in some operations, including read/take

Every call to a *DataReader* read/take operation caused an unnecessary small memory allocation that was immediately released. More generally, initializing a reference type to **dds::core::null** caused the same allocation. For example:

DomainParticipant p = dds::core::null;

This unnecessary allocation has been removed. Constructing a reference type to **dds::core::null** no longer allocates memory.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13262]

close() operation of a ContentFilteredTopic created from XML didn't work

The **close()** operation of a ContentFilteredTopic created from XML didn't actually close it. However, when its *DomainParticipant* was closed or destroyed, the ContentFilteredTopic was correctly closed. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13367]

Fixes Related to C# API

Windows library dependency missing from .NET API NuGet packages

In release 7.0.0, Windows machines that did not have the Visual Studio redistributable may not have been able to run DDS .NET applications out of the box. This dependency is now managed internally and no longer required by the user.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13120]

Exception when disposing a DomainParticipant or when entities were not properly disposed

In previous releases of the .NET API, an exception may have occurred when disposing a *DomainParticipant* or whenever unused entities that had not been properly disposed were garbage-collected.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13231]

Fixes Related to Java API

Java API leaked some objects in certain DomainParticipantFactory operations

The Java API created and pinned a number of objects as a result of calling most methods in the DomainParticipantFactory, including the creation of *DomainParticipants*. While these objects did not consume significant amounts of memory, certain JVMs could have exhausted the maximum number of allowed global references, causing applications to fail. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12838]

get_typecode method of a DomainParticipant in Java API failed when the type contained a wstring element

In the Java API, calling the **get_typecode** method on a *DomainParticipant* for a registered type that contained a wstring element failed with the following exception:

```
Exception in thread "main" com.rti.dds.infrastructure.BAD_TYPECODE: Error.

\hookrightarrow creating type code
```

Exception in thread "main" com.rti.dds.infrastructure.BAD_TYPECODE: Error_ →creating type code at com.rti.dds.typecode.TypeCodeFactory.create_tc_from_native(TypeCodeFactory. →java:984)

```
Exception in thread "main" com.rti.dds.infrastructure.BAD_TYPECODE: Error_

→creating type code

at com.rti.dds.typecode.TypeCodeFactory.create_tc_from_native(TypeCodeFactory.

→java:984)

at com.rti.dds.domain.DomainParticipantImpl.get_typecode(DomainParticipantImpl.

→java:2027)
```

The exception was caused by a problem in the way the *Connext* Java API interfaced with its internal C implementation. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13302]

Fixes Related to Python API

DynamicData accessor for an enum member in a base type failed (Python API)

Given a DynamicData for a struct type (my_struct) with a base type containing an enum member (my_enum), the following code failed:

sample = dds.DynamicData(my_struct)

```
sample = dds.DynamicData(my_struct)
print(sample["my_enum"]) # error: member my_enum doesn't exist
```

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID PY-30]

Possible incorrect default values when receiving extensible data

Given the following situation:

- An application uses a **dds.DataReader** for an extensible IDL type "T1" containing a non-optional primitive member "a".
- The reader receives data for a different-but-compatible type "T2" that doesn't define "a".

The reader is expected to return a data sample where "a" is set to its default value (normally 0). However, in some situations the data sample may have contained an unexpected value for "a". This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID PY-77]

Some APIs where missing, incorrectly named, or have been deleted

Removed types, methods, and fields:

- TopicInstance and all related operations in the *DataReader* and *DataWriter* have been removed.
- The static properties dds.WriterDataLifecycle.auto_dispose_unregistered_instances and dds.WriterdataLifecycle.manually_dispose_unregistered_instances have been removed due to being too similar to the non-static properties.
- The *DataReader* operations **read_next** and **take_next** have been removed.

Renamed types, methods and fields:

- dds.ReaderDataLifecycle.autopurge_unregistered_instances_delay was incorrectly named and has been renamed to autopurge_nowriter_samples_delay; autopurge_nowriter_instances_delay was missing and has been added.
- dds.Filter.sql_filter_name has been renamed to dds.Filter.SQL_FILTER_NAME; dds.Filter.stringmatch_filter_name has been renamed to dds.Filter.STRINGMATCH_FILTER_NAME. The same constants have been renamed in dds.MultiChannel.
- dds.DataWriterResourceLimitsInstaceReplacementKind was misspelled and has been renamed to dds.DataWriterResourceLimitsInstanceReplacementKind.
- dds.TransportMulticast.settings has been renamed to dds.TransportMulticast.value; dds.TransportMulticastMapping.settings has been renamed to dds.TransportMulticastMapping.value; dds.TransportSelection.enabled_transports has been renamed to dds.TransportSelection.value; dds.TransportUnicast.settings has been renamed to dds.TransportUnicast.value.

Newly added missing types, methods, and fields:

- The *DataReader* operation **acknowledge_sample** with **ack_response_data** was missing and has been added.
- dds.Presentation.drop_incomplete_coherent_set was missing and has been added.
- dds.DomainParticipant the following methods have been added: discovered_participant_subject_name, discovered_participants_from_subject_name, banish_ignored_participants.
- dds.DomainParticipantQos the following QoS policies have been added: partition, default_unicast.
- dds.BuiltinTopicReaderResourceLimits was missing max_fragmented_samples_per_remote_writer, which has now been added.
- The constant dds.DataReaderResourceLimits.AUTO_MAX_TOTAL_INSTANCES was missing and has been added.
- dds.DataWriterProtocol.initial_virtual_sequence_number was missing and has been added.
- dds.DiscoveryConfigBuiltinChannelKindMask was missing and has been added.

- dds.DomainParticipantResourceLimits.serialized_type_object_dynamic_allocation_threshold was missing and has been added.
- The constant dds.PublishMode.PUBLICATION_PRIORITY_UNDEFINED was missing and has been added.
- dds.SystemResourceLimits.initial_objects_per_thread was missing and has been added.
- dds.DataWriterCacheStatus was missing the following read-only properties, which have been added: alive_instance_count, alive_instance_count_peak, disposed_instance_count, disposed_instance_count_peak, unregistered_instance_count_unregistered_instance_count_peak.
- dds.CompressionSettings was missing the following constants, which have been added: COM-PRESSION_LEVEL_DEFAULT, COMPRESSION_LEVEL_BEST_SPEED, COMPRES-SION_LEVEL_BEST_COMPRESSION.
- **dds.Cookie** was missing a no-argument constructor, which has been added.
- dds.AcknowledgmentInfo.cookie was missing and has been added.
- The constant dds.FlowControllerProperty.DEFAULT_FLOW_CONTROLLER_NAME was missing and has been added.
- **dds.Property** can now be created from a dictionary.

Other

- In Entity types, listener is now a read-only property; use set_listener to change it with a status mask.
- The *DataReader* read/take operations include several changes. See RTI Connext Core Libraries What's New.
- dds.GroupData's constructor did not initialize the bytes correctly and has been fixed.
- Setting **dds.EntityName.name** and **role_name** to None explicitly was not supported and caused a crash. This has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID PY-85]

Possible deadlock between creation of a dds.Topic and a listener callback

A possible deadlock could have occurred, leaving the Python interpreter hanging indefinitely when a **dds.Topic** was created at the same time as a listener callback was in process. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID PY-88]

Listeners may not have been called in some situations

Entity listener callbacks may not have been called in some situations, causing the application to miss notifications about Entity status changes. This problem was due to a bug in pybind11 version 2.8.1. The build instructions have been updated to require pybind11 2.9.0, which solves this problem.

[RTI Issue ID PY-92]

5.1.9 Fixes Related to XML Configuration

Memory leak after an error parsing XML file with <include> tag

If the user's application failed to parse an XML file containing an <include> tag, this caused a memory leak. For example:

```
<types>
<include file=""myFile.xml"">
<struct name=""MyStruct"">
<member name=""m1"" type=""unknownType"" />
</struct>
</types>
```

This file cannot be parsed because m1 refers to an unknown type. When the application finished, running a memory profiling tool such as ValgrindTM showed there was a memory leak. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12831]

Failed to parse XML configuration file containing type member with useVector attribute

Connext libraries failed to parse XML files containing a type member with the attribute useVector, although this is a legal attribute.

For example:

Parsing this file failed with the following error:

```
RTIXMLParser_validateOnStartTag:Parse error at line xxx: Unexpected attribute 

→'useVector'
```

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12949]

XML composition overwrote system information properties with defaults instead of correct values

The XML composition mechanism (described in QoS Profile Inheritance and Composition) had an issue with the way system properties (described in System Properties) set in an XML Snippet were applied to a <domain_participant_qos> in an XML Profile referencing the Snippet. The properties set in the XML Snippet were not applied to the <domain_participant_qos>, which ended up using the automatic values generated by *Connext*.

Here is an example that illustrates the problem:

```
<qos_library name="SampleQoSLib">
    <qos_profile name="ParentProfile">
        <domain_participant_qos>
            <property>
                <value>
                    <element>
                        <name>dds.sys_info.hostname</name>
                        <value>CustomHostName</value>
                    </element>
                </value>
            </property>
        </domain_participant_qos>
    </gos_profile>
    <qos_profile name="ChildProfile" is_default_qos="true">
        <domain_participant_qos>
            <base_name>
                <element>SampleQosLib::ParentProfile</element>
            </base_name>
            <property>
                <value>
                    <element>
                        <name>dds.sys info.username</name>
                        <value>CustomUserName</value>
                    </element>
                </value>
            </property>
        </domain_participant_qos>
    </gos_profile>
</qos_library>
```

The <domain_participant_qos> in the ChildProfile ended up with the following values for the system information properties:

- dds.sys_info.hostname The default value rather than the CustomHostName value as set in the <domain_participant_qos> in ParentProfile, because of the overwriting problem described above.
- dds.sys_info.username The set value of CustomUserName, which is the correct value.

This issue has been resolved.

```
[RTI Issue ID CORE-13090]
```

5.1.10 Fixes Related to Request-Reply and RPC

RPC interface evolution did not work

Remote Procedure Call (RPC) interfaces were designed to be extensible. A service and a client can communicate even when they have a different number of interfaces. For example:

A base service definition in IDL could be as follows:

```
@service
interface RobotControl {
    Coordinates walk_to(Coordinates destination, float speed);
    float get_speed();
};
```

If you add new operations to the service interface, such as the following:

```
@service
interface RobotControl {
    Coordinates walk_to(Coordinates destination, float speed);
    float get_speed();
    float get_position();
};
```

Or remove operations from the service interface, such as the following:

```
@service
interface RobotControl {
    Coordinates walk_to(Coordinates destination, float speed);
};
```

They should remain interoperable.

However, in the previous release, the service and the client wouldn't communicate in any case.

This problem has been resolved. A client can now invoke an operation in a service with more or fewer operations. If the operation exists in the service, it will receive a valid response. If the operation doesn't exist in the service, the service will respond accordingly and the client will throw the standard exception **dds::rpc::RemoteUnknownOperationError**.

[RTI Issue ID REQREPLY-105]

Exceptions sending result of remote operation may have crashed server application

In an RPC server-side application, the user implements the functional interface. The Server uses a thread pool to call those functions with the input sent from the client (Request) and obtain the result. The result is then sent to the client (Reply). The Reply is automatically written using a DDS *DataWriter*. If the **write(**) operation failed, the resulting exception would crash the current thread in the thread pool and possibly crash the entire server-side application (a typical **write(**) exception is a Timeout). Since the Reply is sent by the server from a separate thread, the user application has no way of catching the exception or sending the Reply again.

This problem has been resolved. If an exception occurs, it is caught and logged. The Reply is never sent. User applications have two ways to react to this event:

- The server application can install a rti::config::Logger::output_handler to monitor errors.
- The client application will see a timeout in the function call. The application can then react accordingly (e.g., calling the function again later).

[RTI Issue ID REQREPLY-111]

RPC: deadlock when Server::close() was called before Server::run()

In the unlikely scenario that a Server was created and then closed before running (the method **Server::close**() was called before **Sever::run**(), **run**() would never return unless a timeout was specified. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID REQREPLY-113]

Possible unbounded memory growth when creating many Requesters

This issue was fixed in release 7.0.0, but not documented at that time.

When a Requester is created, a ContentFilteredTopic is internally created on the Requester's *DomainParticipant*. This ContentFilteredTopic is exclusively created for each Requester and was never deleted until the *DomainParticipant* was deleted. This may have caused applications that continuously create and delete Requesters on the same *DomainParticipant* to see unbounded memory growth.

This problem has been resolved in all language APIs. The Requester destructor or deletion function now deletes its ContentFilteredTopic.

[RTI Issue ID REQREPLY-35]

Memory leak in Java Request-Reply API

This issue was fixed in release 7.0.0, but not documented at that time.

The Java Request-Reply API leaked a small amount of native heap memory every time a Requester was created. The leak was caused by a few internal WaitSet objects, which did not have a finalizer and were not explicitly deleted either.

[RTI Issue ID REQREPLY-94]

Possible data race using Sample and WriteSample classes (Traditional C++ API only)

This issue was fixed in release 7.0.0, but not documented at that time.

The Sample and WriteSample classes are wrapper classes in the Traditional C++ Request-Reply API that used to initialize the underlying user data lazily: the data was initialized the first time it was accessed with the **data**() member function.

This approach made the access to the data unsafe. A data race could occur when two or more threads competed to access the same sample object for the first time. This problem has been resolved. The lazy approach has been reversed, and the data is now initialized in the constructor.

[RTI Issue ID REQREPLY-95]

5.1.11 Fixes Related to Shipped Examples

Hello World TCP example always linked TCP Transport library dynamically

The C hello_world_tcp example always linked the *RTI TCP Transport* library dynamically, even if you wanted to use static linking. This issue has been fixed. Now, the nddstransporttcp library is linked statically unless you choose Debug DLL or Release DLL from the configuration pull-down menu of the provided projects on Windows. Or, when using a makefile, the *TCP Transport* library is now linked statically, unless you pass the "SHAREDLIB=1" argument to the make command.

Furthermore, the README file for the example has been updated with further instructions on what additional libraries need to be added to the makefile or project file when TLS is enabled.

[RTI Issue ID COREPLG-577]

5.1.12 Fixes Related to Vulnerabilities

Arbitrary read access while parsing malicious RTPS message

Arbitrary read access could occur while parsing a malicious RTPS message. This issue has been fixed.

User Impact without Security

A vulnerability in the *Connext* application could have resulted in the following:

- Arbitrary read access while parsing a malicious RTPS message.
- Remotely exploitable.
- Potential impact on confidentiality of *Connext* application.
- CVSS Base Score: 8.2 HIGH
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:N/A:H

User Impact with Security

Same impact as described in "User Impact without Security," above.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13160]

Out-of-bounds read while parsing malicious RTPS message

An out-of-bounds read could occur while parsing a malicious RTPS message. This issue has been fixed.

User Impact without Security

A vulnerability in the *Connext* application could have resulted in the following:

- Out-of-bounds read while parsing a malicious RTPS message.
- Remotely exploitable.
- Potential impact on confidentiality of *Connext* application.
- CVSS Base Score: 6.5 MEDIUM
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:N/A:L

User Impact with Security

Same impact as described in "User Impact without Security," above.

[RTI Issue IDs CORE-13240 and CORE-13264]

Out-of-bounds write while parsing malicious RTPS message

An out-of-bounds write could occur while parsing a malicious RTPS message. This issue has been fixed.

User Impact without Security

A vulnerability in the *Connext* application could have resulted in the following:

- Out-of-bounds write while parsing a malicious RTPS message.
- Remotely exploitable.
- Potential impact on integrity of *Connext* application.
- CVSS Base Score: 8.2 HIGH
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:L/A:H

User Impact with Security

Same impact as described in "User Impact without Security," above.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13279 and CORE-13150]

Buffer overflow in shared memory if memory was tampered

A buffer overflow occurred when publishing or receiving metadata or data over a tampered shared memory segment. This issue has been fixed.

User Impact without Security

- Exploitable from the same node the *Connext* application is running (needs access to shared memory segment).
- Application crash. Potential impact to the integrity or confidentiality of the Connext application.
- CVSS Base Score: 7.8 HIGH
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H

User Impact with Security

Same impact as described in "User Impact without Security," above.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13300]

Out-of-bounds read while uncompressing malformed data from malicious RTPS message

An out-of-bounds read occurred while uncompressing malformed data from a malicious RTPS message. This issue has been fixed.

User Impact without Security

A vulnerability in the *Connext* application could have resulted in the following:

- Out-of-bounds read while uncompressing malformed data from a malicious RTPS message.
- Remotely exploitable.
- Potential impact on confidentiality of *Connext* application.
- CVSS Base Score: 4.8 MEDIUM
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:H/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:N/A:L

User Impact with Security

Same impact as described in "User Impact without Security," above.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13548]

5.1.13 Fixes Related to Crashes

Rare segmentation fault when deleting DomainParticipant or Publisher containing DataWriters using durable writer history

A *Connext* application may have crashed after deleting a *DomainParticipant* or *Publisher* containing *DataWriters* using durable writer history. This issue has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12297]

Segmentation fault when creation of DomainParticipant failed due to lack of resources

An application may have produced a segmentation fault using the release libraries if the creation of a *Domain-Participant* failed because the following resource limit was exceeded: **participant_factory_qos.resource_limits.max_objects_per_thread**.

With debug libraries, you may have seen a precondition error such as this:

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12654]

Potential hang upon SIGSEGV signal from a Connext application

For debuggability purposes, Connext applications log a backtrace when a SIGSEGV signal is triggered.

In previous releases, this feature may have triggered a hang during the logging of the backtrace. In this release, we address this issue by disabling the logging of the backtrace by default in release libraries (but still keeping it enabled for debug libraries).

This default behavior can be modified by setting the new *DomainParticipant*-level property **dds.participant.en-able_backtrace_upon_sigsegv**. See "New property to manually enable or disable logging backtrace upon SIGSEGV signal from a Connext application" in RTI Connext Core Libraries What's New.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12794]

Creating DynamicDataTypePlugin with TypeCode from discovery and using content filtering caused segmentation fault

If the TypeCode that was received from endpoint discovery data (**PublicationBuiltinTopicData.type_code** or **SubscriptionBuiltinTopicData.type_code**) was used to create a DynamicDataTypeSupport in an application that was also using ContentFilteredTopics and setting **ResourceLimitsQosPolicy.type_code_max_seri**alized_length to a non-zero value, the application issued a segmentation fault.

ResourceLimitsQosPolicy.type_code_max_serialized_length is 0 by default, which avoids the segmentation fault.

This issue has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12992]

Application crash when calling DDS_DataReader_take_discovery_snapshot on a DataReader with a ContentFilteredTopic

When taking a discovery snapshot by calling the **DDS_DataReader_take_discovery_snapshot** function on a *DataReader* with a ContentFilteredTopic, the application crashed when trying to obtain non-valid *DomainParticipant* information. This issue has been fixed. Now, *DomainParticipant* information is obtained correctly for *DataReaders* with ContentFilteredTopics.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13011]

Crash with NULL listeners and non-none status masks in C applications that mixed types with and without Zero Copy

In a C application, a crash occurred when both of these were true:

- Types with and without Zero Copy transfer over shared memory were mixed inside the same Domain-ParticipantFactory instance.
- A *DataReader* or *DataWriter* of the non-Zero Copy types had a NULL listener and a **DDS_StatusMask** different than DDS_STATUS_MASK_NONE.

The crash occurred because *Connext* invoked a NULL listener callback for the statuses enabled in the endpoints' **DDS_StatusMask**.

When there is a Zero Copy type inside an application, some extra pre-processing related to Zero Copy is done before creating the endpoints and setting the listeners. In that extra pre-processing, for non-Zero Copy types, the NULL listener was incorrectly replaced with a non-null listener object with all its callbacks set to NULL. Then, *Connext* was not checking if the callbacks were NULL before calling them (the listener consistency is checked before the incorrect replacement; therefore, at that point, it was assumed the listener object was consistent).

This issue is fixed. The listener is no longer replaced with an invalid listener object, and *Connext* will always check if the callbacks are NULL before calling them.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13151]

Memory was read after it was freed by deleting a Topic with local logging level enabled

If the local logging level was enabled while deleting a topic, *Connext* would use recently freed memory from the deleted *Topic* to print a log message. Using the recently freed memory could cause a crash if local logging was enabled. A log message is now printed immediately before the *Topic* is deleted, so the possibility of using freed memory is eliminated.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13226]

Possible segmentation fault when disabling loopback interface

When a previously enabled loopback interface on a host computer was disabled, a segmentation fault could occur. The handling of loopback interfaces has been redesigned to remove this possibility.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13228]

Segmentation fault could occur if creation of DataReader failed

In some cases, a segmentation fault would occur if the creation of a *DataReader* failed. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13387]

Potential crash when DomainParticipant deleted after creating DataWriter with automatic liveliness kind

There was a small possibility of a crash occurring when the *DomainParticipant* was deleted immediately after creating a *DataWriter* with an AUTOMATIC_LIVELINESS_QOS kind in the LIVELINESS QoS policy. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13524]

Possible crash on TCP transport when large number of file descriptors were open

A *Connext* application that used the TCP transport and was built using **_FORTIFY_SOURCE**, which is set by default by some operating systems, could crash if one of the sockets for TCP had a file descriptor higher than FD_SETSIZE (1024). This issue has been fixed. Now, *Connext* overwrites the value of FD_SETSIZE, allowing an application using the TCP transport to open up to 32768 file descriptors, except on Android, where it is not possible to overwrite this value.

[RTI Issue ID COREPLG-644]

Application using Monitoring Libraries may have produced segmentation fault during DataReader creation

In 6.0.x releases and above, an application using *Monitoring Library* may have produced a segmentation fault during *DataReader* creation. The issue was very rare and only occurred if a *DataReader* received a sample immediately after being enabled. This issue has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-429]

Possible segmentation fault when using Monitoring Library

When using monitoring libraries, a rare race condition may have led to a segmentation fault. This issue was more likely to occur if the *Connext* application using the monitoring libraries created and deleted entities often. This problem has been resolved.

Note: This problem was reported as fixed in MONITOR-252, in release 6.0.1; however, that fix did not apply to *Publishers* and *Subscribers*. This fix protects applications when frequently creating and deleting *Publisher* or *Subscriber* entities as well.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-516]

5.1.14 Other Fixes

Error sending batch when batch size exceeded transport MTU

A *DataWriter* configured to use batching may have failed to send a batch to the destination addresses associated with a transport (e.g, UDPv4) if the batch size exceeded the **message_size_max** (MTU) of the transport.

This problem has been resolved. Now, the batch is automatically flushed when exceeding the minimum **message_size_max** across all installed transports.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-2639]

Broken communication when DataWriter with transport priority discovered DataReader with multicast receive address

If a *DataWriter* that had a non-default **DataWriterQos.transport_priority** value set discovered a *DataReader* with a multicast receive address, the *DataWriter* and any other *DataWriters* within the same participant were not able to send any traffic over unicast. This could cause communication failures in a number of different scenarios, including a broken reliability protocol due to the inability to send heartbeats over unicast or the inability to communicate with other *DataReaders* that have not been configured to use a multicast receive address.

This issue was introduced in 6.1.0. This issue has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12772]

Potential hang upon SIGSEGV signal from a Connext application

For debuggability purposes, *Connext* applications have the ability to log a backtrace when a SIGSEGV signal is triggered.

In previous releases, this feature may have triggered a hang during the logging of the backtrace. In this release, we address this issue by disabling the logging of the backtrace in release libraries (but still keeping it enabled for debug libraries).

This default behavior can be modified by setting a new participant-level property, **dds.participant.en-able_backtrace_upon_sigsegv**. The accepted values for this new property are: "auto" for the default behavior (backtrace only enabled in debug libraries), "true" for enabling the logging of the backtrace, and "false" for disabling it.

Note: This property takes effect upon the creation of the first *DomainParticipant* within a process. Consequently, if a SIGSEGV signal is received before the creation of the first *DomainParticipant*, the default behavior will be applied (backtrace enabled in debug libraries and disabled in release libraries).

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12794]

No more than 100 asynchronous publisher threads could be created

A change to the thread naming convention inadvertently limited the number of asynchronous publisher threads to 100. The limit is now 65,536. These limits also apply to receive threads, asynchronous waitset threads, and persistence service threads.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12874]

Potential memory leak when creation of any of the built-in discovery plugins failed

The first time a *DomainParticipant* is created in an application, some memory is allocated globally for each of the builtin discovery plugins (SPDP and SEDP) enabled for that *DomainParticipant*. This global memory is released when finalizing the DomainParticipantFactory instance.

However, if there was a failure in the creation of any of the builtin discovery plugins during the *DomainParticipant* creation, the *DomainParticipantFactory* was not notified properly that this global memory was allocated. Therefore, finalizing the *DomainParticipantFactory* instance did not release the memory, causing a leak.

This problem is fixed. Finalizing the *DomainParticipantFactory* instance always releases the memory if it was previously allocated, regardless of whether or not a failure occurred.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12882]

Samples could be lost using group order access or collaborative DataWriters

There was a possibility of *DataReader* queue corruption, when using group order access or collaborative *DataWriters*, that may have provoked the *DataReader* to stop receiving samples. The possibility was very small and may have occurred randomly since it was caused by an uninitialized flag.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13153]

Unexpected precondition error while creating a DomainParticipant with debugging libraries using fast database cleanup period

You may have seen the following precondition error while creating a *DomainParticipant* with debugging libraries if **participant_qos.database.cleanup_period** was updated to a small value.

```
FATAL rCo96144####Dtb Mx0D:/rti/jenkins/workspace/connextdds_ci_fastbuild-

→debug_develop/pres.1.0/srcC/participant/Participant.c:3102:RTI0x200003b:!

→precondition: "me->_service == ((void *)0)"
```

Release libraries did not have this issue.

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13204]

Release 6.1.2 was not FACE compliant

The *|CONNEXTDDS_ITALIC*| 6.1.2 release was not FACE compliant due to usage of the realpath system call. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13340]

Problems visualizing participants using Generic.MinimalMemoryFootprint profile with Admin Console

RTI Admin Console could not correctly visualize *DomainParticipants* using the **Generic.MinimalMemory-Footprint** profile. Some of the information, such as process ID and host name, was invalid. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13509]

Using dh_param_files leaked memory

Using the property **tls.cipher.dh_param_files** leaked memory when deleting the *DomainParticipant*. A memory checking tool, such as valgrind, would have reported the leak in the OpenSSL function **PEM_read_bio_DHparams**, which is called by the RTI function **RTITLS_tmp_dhparam_callback**. This problem only affected applications using OpenSSL 1.0.2 or applications communicating with applications using OpenSSL 1.0.2. For example, *TLS Support* 5.3 uses OpenSSL 1.0.2, but version 7.0.0 of *TLS Support* could still communicate with version 5.3, so the leak could also happen in version 7.0.0.

This problem has been fixed; memory will no longer be leaked in this scenario. For example, if *TLS Support* 7.1.0 communicates with an application using OpenSSL 1.0.2, the leak will not occur.

[RTI Issue ID COREPLG-641]

Failure to load a string-based private key leaked memory

If you set the property **tls.identity.private_key** or **tls.identity.rsa_private_key**, and you either specified a wrong or missing value for the property **tls.identity.private_key_password** or specified a malformed private key, then memory would be leaked upon *DomainParticipant* creation failure. A memory checking tool, such as valgrind, would report the leak in the OpenSSL function **BIO_new_mem_buf**, which is called by the RTI function **RTITLS_context_init**.

This problem has been fixed. Memory will no longer be leaked in this scenario.

[RTI Issue ID COREPLG-643]

Incorrect "Supported platforms" documentation section for FindRTIConnextDDS.cmake

Now the documentation section in the "FindPackage" script (**FindRTIConnextDDS.cmake**) file listing the "Supported platforms" matches the *Core Libraries Platform Notes*.

[RTI Issue ID INSTALL-548]

CONNEXTDDS_ARCH environment variable in FindPackage script was not picked up correctly

Previously, only the CONNEXTDDS_ARCH CMake variable in the "FindPackage" script (**FindRTIConnextDDS.cmake**) could be used to define the *Connext* official architecture to use. Now, the environment variable with the same name can be used, too.

[RTI Issue ID INSTALL-691]

In FindPackage script, low_bandwidth_edisc imported target library was missing

In the "FindPackage" script (**FindRTIConnextDDS.cmake**), the **low_bandwidth_edisc** imported target library was missing, incorrectly named **low_bandwidth_discovery_static**. When you tried to link against **low_bandwidth_discovery_static**, the script actually linked against the LOW_BANDWIDTH_EDISC libraries. And you couldn't link against **low_bandwidth_edisc** because there was no imported target with that name.

In the following example, the second TARGET should have been called **low_bandwidth_edisc**:

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID INSTALL-719]

Segmentation fault when mixing build types in applications linked against libraries in "Find Package" Cmake script

Mixing Release and Debug build types in applications linked against *Connext* libraries in the "Find Package" script (**FindRTIConnextDDS.cmake**) could lead to undesired behaviors like double-freeing pointers, once for the Debug symbol and once for the Release symbol, and in the end causing the application to abort.

The new CONNEXT_LIBS_BUILD_TYPE CMake variable has been added to control the *Connext* libraries build type (Release/Debug). This variable will allow three values: Auto, Release, and Debug.

By default (the Auto value), **FindRTIConnextDDS.cmake** will populate the IMPORTED_LOCATION_DE-BUG and IMPORTED_LOCATION_RELEASE properties of all the *Connext* imported target libraries. This means that the *Connext* libraries will be provided in the same build type as the global build (specified by the CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE value).

If you provide Release or Debug values to the CONNEXT_LIBS_BUILD_TYPE variable, the script will force populating only the IMPORTED_LOCATION property of the *Connext* imported target libraries. So, regardless of the CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE value, the *Connext* libraries will have the build type given in the CONNEXT_LIBS_BUILD_TYPE variable.

[RTI Issue ID INSTALL-793]

5.2 What's Fixed in 7.0.0

This section describes bugs fixed in *Connext* 7.0.0. These fixes have been made since 6.1.1 was released.

5.2.1 Fixes Related to Callbacks and Waitsets

Unsafe combinations of masks and Listeners may have led to segmentation fault

When entities are created, a *Listener* may be provided by the user to receive calls when specified events occur. The events of interest are set using a **StatusKind** mask. If an event set in the **StatusKind** mask occurs, but no callback function has been assigned by the user, a null pointer dereference will occur. *Connext* checks for many of these errors and prevents the creation of entities when this error is present. However, some of these cases were not checked, allowing unsafe combinations of masks and *Listeners* to be used. This problem has been resolved. The new, stricter checking may cause entity creation errors when no errors were detected before.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12610]

Failure calling DDS_Subscriber::get_datareaders in DDS_SubscriberListener::on_data_on_readers callback implementation

You may have seen the following errors when invoking **DDS_Subscriber::get_datareaders()** within the implementation of the **DDS_SubscriberListener::on_data_on_readers()** callback:

```
ERROR [0x01011B2D, 0x8A450DE1, 0xBAE5A2A0:0x80000009|SET GROUP LISTENER|GET_
→READERS] REDACursor_modifyReadWriteArea:!freeze read write area
ERROR [0x01011B2D, 0x8A450DE1, 0xBAE5A2A0:0x80000009|SET GROUP LISTENER|GET_
→READERS] PRESPsReaderGroup_getEA:!modify pres psReaderGroup
ERROR [0x01011B2D, 0x8A450DE1, 0xBAE5A2A0:0x80000009|SET GROUP LISTENER|GET_
→READERS] PRESPsReaderGroup_lock:!take semaphore
ERROR [0x01011B2D, 0x8A450DE1, 0xBAE5A2A0:0x80000009|SET GROUP LISTENER|GET_
→READERS] PRESPsReaderGroup beginGetPsReaders:!get PRESPsReaderGroup lock
ERROR [0x01011B2D, 0x8A450DE1, 0xBAE5A2A0:0x80000009|SET GROUP LISTENER|GET_
\rightarrow READERS }
DDS_Subscriber_begin_get_datareadersI:ERROR: Failed to get PRESPsReaderGroup_
→beginGetPsReaders
ERROR [0x01011B2D,0x8A450DE1,0xBAE5A2A0:0x80000009|SET GROUP LISTENER|GET_
→READERS]
DDS_Subscriber_get_datareaders:ERROR: Failed to get DDS_Subscriber_begin_get_
→datareaders
```

In addition, when using the Traditional C++ API and the legacy .NET API, the application generated a segmentation fault after printing the error. The problem occurred only when:

• You installed a *Listener* on the *Subscriber* using the API **DDS_Subscriber::set_listener()** after the *Subscriber* was enabled.
• Or, you installed a *Listener* on the *DomainParticipant* using the API **DDS_Participant::set_listener**() after the *DomainParticipant* was enabled. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12316]

DDS_SubscriberListener::on_data_on_readers on a participant or subscriber not called when Listener installed after the entity is enabled

The callback **DDS_SubscriberListener::on_data_on_readers**() was not invoked when there was data available, if these two conditions were met:

- The *Listener* callback **on_data_on_readers**() was installed after the *Subscriber* or *DomainParticipant* implementing it was enabled.
- The *Listener* callback **on_data_available**() was not installed at any level (*DomainParticipant, Publisher*, or *DataReader*).

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12338]

Unable to assign callback function for on_sample_removed event using Modern C++ API

You may have been unable to assign a callback function for the on_sample_removed event using the Modern C++ API. Support for this callback has been added to the Modern C++ API in this release.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12646]

Using certain callbacks at DomainParticipant or Publisher level may have led to segmentation fault

Handlers were not correctly implemented for the **on_instance_replaced()**, **on_sample_removed()**, **on_ap-plication_acknowledgment()**, and **on_service_request_accepted()** callbacks at the *DomainParticipant* and *Publisher* levels. This could have led to segmentation faults when the corresponding events were enabled. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12647]

5.2.2 Fixes Related to Discovery

Unexpected memory growth when DataReader could not be matched with DataWriter due to unexpected error condition

Failing to match a *DataReader* with a *DataWriter* because of unexpected error conditions may have led to unexpected memory growth, because *Connext* may not have cleaned up the resources associated with the remote match completely. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-8257]

Possible crash upon discovery of applications with unreachable locators

If an application used **DDS_STATUS_MASK_ALL** for a *DomainParticipant* or *Publisher Listener* and an unreachable locator was discovered, the application enabling the *Listener* may have crashed. An unreachable locator occurs most commonly when a Subscribing application uses a transport that the Publishing application does not use. For example, the Publishing application could use UDPv4 and the Subscribing application could use both UDPv4 and UDPv6.

More rarely, a crash may have occurred when a pre-5.2.0 Subscribing application used the shared memory transport and a 5.2.0+ Publishing application was not using the UDPv6 transport. A log message was generated if both participants were running on the same machine and this condition occurred. This condition was caused by a change to the way that transports are identified starting in version 5.2.0.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11818]

Communication problems with applications using shared memory on INTEGRITY systems

If an application on an INTEGRITY platform used the shared-memory transport, the *Connext* libraries sometimes incorrectly assessed that a shared-memory segment was stale and could be reclaimed, when in fact it was not stale. This situation caused problems with communication between *DomainParticipants*, since information could be sent to a shared-memory segment that did not get dequeued by the intended recipient.

You may have seen error messages like these and the application may have hung while deleting the *Domain*-*Participant*:

```
<Target Output> ERROR RTIOsapiSharedMemoryBinarySemaphore_take:OS_

WaitForSemaphore() failure, error 0XD: ObjectClosed

<Target Output> ERROR NDDS_Transport_Shmem_receive_rEA:!take semaphore

<Target Output> ERROR RTIOsapiSharedMemoryBinarySemaphore_take:OS_

WaitForSemaphore() failure, error 0X9: ObjectIsUseless
```

This problem has been resolved.

Incompatibility with 6.1.1 and prior releases:

The fix for this issue involved some changes that make shared-memory segments in applications incompatible with those in 6.1.1 (and earlier) versions.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12097]

Types containing Typedefs were sent without the typedefs in discovery when using DynamicData

When an application was using a DynamicDataReader or DynamicDataWriter and using a type that contained a typedef, the type that was sent during endpoint discovery for that endpoint did not contain the typedef. While this did not cause any mismatches or communication failure, it did cause a number of issues that may have been noticeable depending on what other products you may have also been using.

See 1.1.4 Unbounded memory growth in Spy when discovering multiple endpoints with the same Topics and types on page 1 for details about the specific issues that you may have encountered. The *RTI Admin Console Release Notes* and *RTI Routing Service Release Notes* also have related information. (See ADMINCONSOLE-997 and ROUTING-971, respectively.)

This issue has been resolved, meaning that the exact type definition that is registered with the participant, containing typedefs, is sent during discovery. This is a change in behavior from 6.0.0-based applications, which sent the type definitions without the typedef information.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12107]

Unbounded memory growth in Spy when discovering multiple endpoints with the same Topics and types

Each time *DDS Spy* discovered an endpoint, it unnecessarily made a copy of the TypeCode that was associated with the endpoint's *Topic*, leading to unbounded memory growth. This issue has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12136]

Unnecessary discovery traffic related to IP mobility events on interfaces irrelevant to the transport

When there is a change on a network interface (an IP mobility event), a *Connext* application will update and resend its discovery information to include these changes. The transport can consider a change on an interface irrelevant (for example, changes on interfaces in the **deny_interfaces_list** of the transport). In this case, the new discovery messages are exactly the same as announced before, generating unnecessary discovery traffic that could affect the performance of the application.

This problem has been fixed. Now *Connext* only updates and resends its discovery information if there was a change on an interface relevant to the transport.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12664]

5.2.3 Fixes Related to Transports

Communication problems with applications using shared memory on INTEGRITY systems

If an application on an INTEGRITY platform used the shared-memory transport, the *Connext* libraries sometimes incorrectly assessed that a shared-memory segment was stale and could be reclaimed, when in fact it was not stale.

This situation caused problems with communication between *DomainParticipants*, since information could be sent to a shared-memory segment that did not get dequeued by the intended recipient.

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→WaitForSemaphore() failure, error 0XD: ObjectClosed

<Target Output> ERROR NDDS_Transport_Shmem_receive_rEA:!take semaphore

<Target Output> ERROR RTIOsapiSharedMemoryBinarySemaphore_take:OS_

→WaitForSemaphore() failure, error 0X9: ObjectIsUseless
```

This problem has been resolved.

Incompatibility with 6.1.1 and prior releases:

The fix for this issue involved some changes that make the shared memory segments incompatible with those in 6.1.1 (and earlier) versions.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12097]

Race condition could cause unbounded memory growth in TCP Transport Plugin

Due to a race condition, the TCP Transport Plugin may have leaked memory when creating a new connection if the creation happened at the same time the *DomainParticipant* was being destroyed. The cause of the leak was the TCP Transport Plugin reallocating memory that was already released by the *DomainParticipant*. The race condition was unlikely to happen. However, in a system that frequently creates and destroys entities (and, therefore, TCP connections) and that runs for long enough, it may have lead to unbounded memory growth. The issue has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID COREPLG-618]

5.2.4 Fixes Related to Filtering and TopicQuery

Unnecessary repair traffic for DataWriters using TopicQueries and asynchronous publishing

Samples that are sent in response to a TopicQuery are directed to the *DataReader* that created that Topic-Query. This means that those samples are only sent to the *DataReader* that made the request and have that *DataReader's* GUID attached to each sample in the sample's metadata. All other *DataReaders* receive GAP protocol messages, indicating to them that a given sequence number or set of sequence numbers is not meant for them.

Due to a defect, when a *DataReader* sent a NACK message requesting some TopicQuery samples to be repaired, if the requested sequence numbers included samples that were meant for a different *DataReader*, the *DataWriter* did not filter these samples and resend a GAP message. Instead, the *DataWriter* sent the *DataReader* samples that were not meant for it and the *DataReader* had to filter these samples out itself. As a result, the *DataReaders* may have received samples that should have been filtered out on the *DataWriter* side, leading to an increase in network traffic.

The problem only affected repair traffic. When a sample was filtered out by the *DataWriter* because it was directed to a different *DataReader*, the *DataWriter* sent a GAP protocol message to the *DataReader*. If the GAP message was lost, the *DataReader* NACKed for the sample; instead of sending a new GAP message, the *DataWriter* sent the sample. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12589]

Connext application using filtering feature may have crashed after running out of memory

In release 6.1.1.2, a *Connext* application using filtering features (that is, ContentFilteredTopic, QueryConditions, or TopicQuery) may have crashed after running out of memory. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12661]

Unnecessary sample filtering on a DataReader for samples already filtered by a DataWriter

When doing writer-side filtering, a late-joining *DataReader* using a ContentFilteredTopic may have spent unnecessary CPU cycles evaluating samples that pass the ContentFilteredTopic's expression. When using writer-side filtering, the filter evaluation is done by the *DataWriter* and it should not be necessary for the *DataReader* to do it again on samples that pass the filter expression. This problem, which only occurred for late-joining *DataReaders*, has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11084]

Creation of a ContentFilteredTopic or reception of TopicQuery samples may have taken long time for complex types

The creation of a ContentFilteredTopic or reception of TopicQuery samples, may have taken a long time for complex types. This issue has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12179]

Continuous creation of TopicQueries may have led to unnecessary memory fragmentation in OS memory allocator

In releases 6.0.x and 6.1.x, the continuous creation of TopicQueries may have led to unnecessary memory fragmentation in the OS memory allocator of the applications that receive the TopicQuery requests and dispatch responses. This issue may have resulted in an unexpected increase of the resident set size (RSS) memory of the application receiving and dispatching the TopicQueries compared to previous *Connext* releases. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12352]

rti::topic::find_registered_content_filters led to infinite recursion

The function **rti::topic::find_registered_content_filters**() was incorrectly implemented and would lead to infinite recursion and stack overflow in any application that called it. This problem has been resolved. This function returns the names of previously registered custom content filters. It is a little-used feature and does not affect the commonly used SQL content filter.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12512]

Incorrect results for Unions when using DynamicData or Content Filters

When using a DynamicDataReader, samples containing a union may have had incorrect or invalid data after deserialization if the *DataReader's* type contained members that were not present in the *DataWriter's* type and those members had non-zero default values.

When using content filters, the filter results may have been incorrect if the type contained a union and the filter expression filtered on fields within the union that were present in the *DataReader's* type but were not present in the *DataWriter's* type and those members had non-zero default values.

For example, see this *DataWriterType*:

```
struct innerStructPub {
    short shortMember;
};
@mutable
union ComplexUnionTypePub switch(long) {
    case 0:
        long longMember;
    case 1:
```

```
innerStructPub structMember;
```

};

and this DataReaderType:

```
struct innerStructPub {
    short shortMember;
};
@mutable
union ComplexUnionTypePub switch(long) {
    case 0:
       long longMember;
    case 1:
        innerStructPub structMember;
};
struct innerStructSub {
    short shortMember;
    @default(5) long longMemberWithDefault;
};
@mutable
union ComplexUnionTypeSub switch(long) {
    case 0:
       long longMember;
    case 1:
        innerStructSub structMember;
};
```

In the above types, the member **longMemberWithDefault** is only present in the *DataReader's* type and has a default value of 5, so any sample that is received from the *DataWriter* should have this value set to 5 when read from the *DataReader's* queue. Instead, the value was incorrectly 0 when using DynamicData.

In addition, if this member was used as part of a content filter expression, a *DataReader* always used the value of 0 instead of 5 when evaluating a sample from a *DataWriter* using the DataWriterType which could lead to incorrect filter results. These issues have been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12517]

Samples may have been unnecessarily filtered by Connext DataReader when DataWriter was from different DDS vendor

A Connext *DataReader* using a ContentFilteredTopic unnecessarily evaluated its filter on samples coming from a different vendor *DataWriter* that already marked the samples as passing the *DataReader* filter. This issue may have led to an increase in CPU utilization on the *DataReader* side, but it did not affect functional correctness or bandwidth utilization.

The problem occurred because *Connext* was not compliant with the way a filter signature is calculated according to the Section 9.6.4.1, *Content filter info (PID_CONTENT_FILTER_INFO)*, in the Real-time Publish-Subscribe Protocol DDS Interoperability Wire Protocol (DDSI-RTPSTM) Specification version 2.5).

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12531]

5.2.5 Fixes Related to Group Presentation

Application may not have received samples of coherent set when using GROUP access scope and TRANSIENT_LOCAL durability

An application using **GROUP** access scope and **TRANSIENT_LOCAL** (or higher) durability may not have received the samples for some coherent sets, or it may have received the samples with delay.

Assume a coherent set 'CS1' published by a set of *DataWriters* that are part of the same group. This coherent set was not provided to the application if all the following conditions were true:

- 1. The *DataReaders* receiving 'CS1' matched with the *DataWriters* publishing 'CS1' after the coherent set was published.
- 2. 'CS1' did not contain samples for some of the *DataWriters* in the group, or the samples were removed after applying the Lifespan QoS Policy. If 'CS1' contained at least one sample per *DataWriter* in the group, this problem did not occur.
- 3. The application did not publish a new coherent set after 'CS1'; or, if it did, the new coherent set did not contain samples from at least one of the *DataWriters* that were missing samples from 'CS1'.

If the third condition was not met, then the delivery of the coherent set would be delayed instead of the coherent set not being provided.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12350]

Application may stop receiving samples from DataReaders using GROUP_PRESENTA-TION_QOS

An application may have stopped receiving samples from *DataReaders* that were part of a *Subscriber* using **GROUP_PRESENTATION_QOS** under the following scenario:

- The Publisher's group contained at least one keyed Data Writer and one unkeyed Data Writer.
- The Subscriber's group contained only keyed DataReaders or unkeyed DataReaders, but not both.

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12161]

Segmentation fault when using GROUP_PRESENTATION_QOS or HIGHEST_OF-FERED_PRESENTATION_QOS and setting filter_redundant_samples to FALSE on DataReader

An application generated a segmentation fault if it created a *DataReader* with the following valid configuration:

- subscriber_qos.presentation.access_scope = DDS_GROUP_PRESENTATION_QOS or DDS_HIGH-EST_OFFERED_PRESENTATION_QOS
- datareader_qos.availability.max_data_availability_waiting_time = DDS_DURATION_ZERO
- datareader_qos.availability.max_endpoint_availability_waiting_time = DDS_DURATION_ZERO

• datareader_qos.property contained dds.data_reader.state.filter_redundant_samples with the value "false"

This problem has been resolved by allowing the DataReader to be created.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12771]

5.2.6 Fixes Related to XML Configuration

Parsing error loading XML configuration file containing a const whose expression refers to an enumerator

Connext failed to load an XML configuration file containing a const whose expression referred to an enumerator. For example:

```
<enum name="Enum1">
        <enumerator name="Enumerator1" value="1"/>
</enum>
<const name="Const1" type="int32" value="Enumerator1+1"/>
```

Loading this XML failed with an error similar to this:

```
DDS_XMLConst_initialize:Parse error at line 10: type 'Enum1' is not typedef
```

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-5553]

Discrepancy between range defined by schema and that defined by API

There were discrepancies between the ranges defined by the schema files and those defined by the API for certain elements. This problem has been resolved. Now, validating an XML against the XSD should not fail when setting a value that is inside the range as defined by the API.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-7099]

Parsing error loading XML configuration file with enum type containing enumerator whose value was an expression referring to a const

Connext failed to load an XML configuration file with an enum type containing an enumerator whose value was an expression referring to a const. For example:

```
<const name="Const1" type="int32" value="10"/>
<enum name="Enum1">
    <enumerator name="Enumerator1" value="Const1"/>
</enum>
```

Loading this XML failed with an error similar to this:

DDS_XMLEnum_on_start_tag:Parse error at line xy: integer expected

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10060]

Parsing error loading an XML configuration file with enum type containing enumerator whose value was an expression

Connext failed to load an XML configuration file with an enum type containing an enumerator whose value was an expression. For example:

```
<enum name="Enum1">
    <enumerator name="Enumerator1" value="1 + 1"/>
</enum>
```

Loading this XML failed with an error similar to this:

DDS_XMLEnum_on_start_tag:Parse error at line xy: integer expected

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10269]

Type limits not checked for some attributes of XML types definition

When XML was used for defining types (for example, when using DynamicData), type limits were not checked for some attributes. If the specified value for any of the attributes was too large or too small, a variable overflow occurred, leading to undefined behavior.

This problem is fixed. Type limits are checked, throwing a meaningful error when they are not met.

The affected attributes were as follows:

- value in union's caseDiscriminator. Valid values should be between -2147483648 and 2147483647.
- **sequenceMaxLength**. Valid values should be between 0 and 2147483647. -1 (unbounded) is also allowed.
- stringMaxLength. Valid values should be between 0 and 2147483647. -1 (unbounded) is also allowed.
- arrayDimensions. Valid values should be between 1 and 4294967295.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12181]

Removed some elements in the XSD that were not supported internally but could be defined in XML

The following elements were configurable in XML although internally they are not supported:

Publisher QoS:

- presentation.drop_incomplete_coherent_set
- asynchronous_publisher.thread.cpu_list
- asynchronous_publisher.thread.cpu_rotation
- asynchronous_publisher.asynchronous_batch_thread.cpu_list
- asynchronous_publisher.asynchronous_batch_thread.cpu_rotation
- asynchronous_publisher.topic_query_publication_thread.cpu_list
- asynchronous_publisher.topic_query_publication_thread.cpu_rotation

Participant QoS:

- discovery_config.publication_reader.min_app_ack_response_keep_duration
- discovery_config.subscription_reader.min_app_ack_response_keep_duration
- discovery_config.asynchronous_publisher.thread.cpu_list
- discovery_config.asynchronous_publisher.thread.cpu_rotation
- discovery_config.asynchronous_publisher.disable_asynchronous_batch
- discovery_config.asynchronous_publisher.asynchronous_batch_thread
- discovery_config.asynchronous_publisher.disable_topic_query_publication
- $\bullet\ discovery_config.asynchronous_publisher.topic_query_publication_thread$

EventQosPolicy:

- thread.cpu_list
- thread.cpu_rotation

DatabaseQosPolicy:

- thread.cpu_list
- thread.cpu_rotation

Those elements have been removed from the XSD and are no longer configurable in XML.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12366]

Builtin Discovery Plugins was not treated as a mask by the XSD file

Because of a bug in the XML Schema Definition (XSD), if you specified more than one value for the **Discov-eryConfigQosPolicy::builtin_discovery_plugins** mask, your XML editor reported that the expression was not valid when it should have been.

For example, according to the XSD, this expression was not allowed:

This issue has been fixed, and the XSD now accepts expressions containing more than one Builtin Discovery Plugin. This issue occurred only while editing XML files because of the schema. If you ran an application with the above configuration, it did not fail.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12740]

Parsing error loading an XML configuration file with an enum type containing an enumerator whose value was an expression referring to another enumerator

Connext failed to load an XML configuration file with an enum type containing an enumerator whose value was an expression using another enumerator. For example:

```
<enum name="Enum1">
        <enumerator name="Enumerator1" value="0"/>
</enum>
<enum name="Enum2">
        <enumerator name="Enumerator2" value="Enumerator1"/>
</enum>
```

Loading this XML would have failed with an error similar to this:

DDS_XMLEnum_on_start_tag:Parse error at line xy: integer expected

This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12781]

5.2.7 Fixes Related to Vulnerabilities

Fixes related to Connext

This release fixes some potential vulnerabilities, including RTI Issue IDs CORE-12510 and CORE-12752.

Fixes related to third-party dependencies

This release fixes some potential vulnerabilities related to third-party dependencies, described below.

Potential crash or leak of sensitive information in Core Libraries XML parser due to vulnerabilities in Expat

The Core Libraries XML parser had a third-party dependency on Expat version 2.4.4, which is known to be affected by a number of publicly disclosed vulnerabilities.

The impact on *Connext* applications of using the previous version varied depending on your *Connext* application configuration:

- With *Connext Secure* (enabling RTPS protection):
- Exploitable through a compromised local file system containing malicious XML/DTD files.
 - Could lead to arbitrary code execution.
 - CVSS v3.1 Score: 8.4 HIGH
 - CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:L/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H
- Without Connext Secure:
- – Exploitable through a compromised local file system containing malicious XML/DTD files.
 - Remotely exploitable through malicious RTPS messages.
 - Could lead to arbitrary code execution.
 - CVSS v3.1 Score: 9.8 CRITICAL
 - CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12872]

Potential memory corruption when using Zlib compression due to vulnerability in Zlib

The user-data compression feature in the Core Libraries had a third-party dependency on Zlib version 1.2.11, which is known to be affected by a publicly disclosed vulnerability.

This vulnerability has been fixed by upgrading Zlib to the latest stable version, 1.2.12. See "Third-Party Software Upgrades" in RTI Connext Core Libraries What's New.

The impacts on *Connext* applications of using the previous version were as follows:

- Exploitable by triggering the compression of a sample containing a malicious payload.
- The application could crash.
- CVSS v3.1 Score: 7.5 HIGH
- CVSS v3.1 Vector: AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12877]

5.2.8 Fixes Related to APIs

Input parameters to Property and DataTag helper functions do not have "const"

In the C API, the following functions were incorrectly missing a **const** before the **policy** parameter:

- DDS_PropertyQosPolicyHelper_lookup_property()
- DDS_PropertyQosPolicyHelper_lookup_property_with_prefix()
- DDS_PropertyQosPolicyHelper_get_properties()
- DDS_DataTagQosPolicyHelper_lookup_tag()

This problem has been fixed. The policies are now "const" because these functions do not change the policy.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-3166]

Standard 64-bit integer types are now supported (Modern C++ API)

Previous releases of the Modern C++ API had platform-specific definitions for 64-bit integers, defined in **rti::core::uint64** and **rti::core::uint64**. This was required to support certain pre-C++11 platforms.

This release redefines those two types as **std::int64_t** and **std::uint64_t**.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10913]

Assigning DataWriter and DataReaderQos from a TopicQos caused a build error

DataWriterQos and DataReaderQos could not be constructed from a TopicQos assignment. You may have seen a compiler error such as:

error: conversion from 'TEntityQos<rti::topic::qos::TopicQosImpl>' to
non-scalar type 'TEntityQos<rti::pub::qos::DataWriterQosImpl>' requested.

This problem has been resolved. Now this type of assignment works correctly. Any fields that are not in the TopicQos will use the default for the DataWriterQos or DataReaderQos.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11185]

Copy of SampleInfo::coherent_set_info field was not supported

SampleInfo::coherent_set_info was not available when using take/read operations that did not loan the samples. The **SampleInfo::coherent_set_info** field was always set to NULL when you called the take/read operations that did not loan the samples. To get the **coherent_set_info** value, you had to use the read/take operations that loan the data.

In addition, the copy constructor and assignment operator in the Traditional C++ and Modern C++ APIs did not copy the **SampleInfo::coherent_set_info** field. This field was always set to NULL; it was your responsibility to make the copy and handle memory allocation and deletion for this field.

This problem has been fixed. If you work with the C API, starting with this release you will have to use the following functions to manipulate SampleInfo structures:

- DDS_SampleInfo_initialize()
- DDS_SampleInfo_copy()
- DDS_SampleInfo_finalize()

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11213]

In XML-based applications, generated IDL types did not take precedence over XML DynamicTypes (C# API)

In the C# API in previous releases, if a type was declared in XML as a dynamic type and also generated and registered by the application, the XML dynamic type took precedence. This led to the DataReaders or DataWriters using DynamicData instead of the generated C# user class. This behavior was unintuitive and inconsistent with the other language APIs. It has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11389]

Namespaces ignored when a type was explicitly registered in C# for XML-based applications

When a type was explicitly registered (this is only necessary to support generated IDL types with XML-Based Application Creation) as follows:

DomainParticipantFactory.RegisterType<A.B.Foo>()

The registered type name was to set to "Foo" instead of the expected "A::B::Foo". In some situations, this may have stopped applications written in other languages to communicate with a C# application, if the regular algorithm of type matching was disabled.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12074]

Corruption of LoanedDynamicData object when moved in some situations (Modern C++ API only)

Given a DynamicData sample, accessing a nested member within another nested member via **loan_value**() and then moving the latter may have corrupted the former. For example, given a sample such that "my_sample.a.b" is a member of a constructed type (struct or union):

```
DynamicData my_sample(my_dynamic_type);
LoanedDynamicData loan1 = my_sample.loan_value(""a"");
LoanedDynamicData loan2 = loan1.get().loan_value(""b"");
// The following corrupts loan2
LoanedDynamicData loan1_moved = std::move(loan1);
```

This may have affected applications that explicitly move-constructed a double-nested LoanedDynamicData or that otherwise indirectly called the move constructor in this situation (for example, by resizing a std::vector of LoanedDynamicData elements).

The LoanedDynamicData's move constructor and move-assignment operators have been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12272]

Calling DynamicData::set_complex_member with an aliased type failed

Calling **DynamicData::set_complex_member(**) with an aliased type failed. For example, given the following types:

```
struct Foo {
long x;
long y;
};
typedef Foo TypedefFoo;
struct MyType {
Foo my_inner_struct;
TypedefFoo my_typedef_struct;
};
```

The following code should have worked to set the my_typedef_struct member:

```
struct Foo {
long x;
long y;
};
typedef Foo TypedefFoo;
struct MyType {
Foo my_inner_struct;
TypedefFoo my_typedef_struct;
};
DDS_DynamicData *data = DDS_DynamicData_new(
    MyType_get_typecode(),
    &DDS_DYNAMIC_DATA_PROPERTY_DEFAULT);
    DDS_DynamicData *inner_data = DDS_DynamicData_new(
    TypedefFoo_get_typecode(),
    &DDS DYNAMIC DATA PROPERTY DEFAULT);
// This call fails. If the above call used Foo_get_typecode instead then it_
⇔would work
retcode = DDS_DynamicData_set_complex_member(data, ""my_typedef_struct"", 0,_
\rightarrow inner data);
if (retcode != DDS_RETCODE_OK) {
    fprintf(stderr, ""_set_complex_member %d\n"", retcode);
    return -1;
}
```

But instead, it failed with these errors:

```
DDS_DynamicData2_copy: Objects have different types. self type = TypedefFoo,

other type = TypedefFoo

DDS_DynamicData2_finalize_ex: finalizing object bound to a member,

outomatically unbinding now.

DDS_DynamicData2_set_complex_member:ERROR: Failed to copy value

DDS_DynamicData2_unbind_complex_member:ERROR: Bad parameter: self has no_

obound member

DDS_DynamicData2_set_complex_member:!unbind complex member
```

This issue has been fixed. Now, using either the aliased type (TypedefFoo in our example) or the original type (Foo in our example) works to set a complex member using the DynamicData API.

```
[RTI Issue ID CORE-12273]
```

Possible wrong results when adding Time or Duration objects that used very large numbers

Adding Time or Duration objects could have previously produced wrong results when using very large numbers. Necessary checks are now in place to ensure that wrong results do not occur.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12413]

Java API did not support RtpsReliableReaderProtocol_t.receive_window_size

This QoS setting was ignored by the Java API, and readers were always created with the default value (256). This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12451]

5.2.9 Fixes Related to Crashes

Simultaneous deletion of an entity by multiple threads caused a crash when using Java

When two threads deleted an entity at the same time, in Java, this may have caused a crash with the following backtrace:

```
#7 0x00007f7c630dad3b in REDAWeakReference getReferent (reference=0x78,_
→slNode=0x7f7c4407f988, frOut=0x0, tableWithStartedCursor=0x7f7c6452c000)
→at WeakReference.c:144
#8 0x00007f7c630d2ff3 in REDACursor_gotoWeakReference (c=0x7f7c4407f950,__
\rightarrow fr=0x0, wr=0x78) at
Cursor.c:230
#9 0x00007f7c62d5ed46 in PRESPsService_destroyLocalEndpoint_
↔ (me=0x7f7c64367cc0, failReason=0x7f7cb0136fc0, group=0x7f7c64dbb340,...
→endpoint=0x7f7c644f0e88, worker=0x7f7c44015f70) at PsService.c:2130
#10 0x00007f7c62b6fc26 in PRESParticipant_destroyLocalEndpoint_
↔ (me=0x7f7c64368a00, failReason=0x7f7cb0136fc0, group=0x7f7c64dbb340, ...
→endpoint=0x7f7c644f0e88, worker=0x7f7c44015f70) at Participant.c:5882
#11 0x00007f7c636fcc32 in DDS DataReader deleteI (reader=0x7f7c644f1070) at_
→DataReader.c:4250
#12 0x00007f7c6372667e in DDS_Subscriber_delete_datareader_
↔ (self=0x7f7c64dbb620, reader=0x7f7c644f1070) at Subscriber.c:1159
#13 0x00007f7c63daf24b in Java_com_rti_dds_subscription_SubscriberImpl_
→DDS_1Subscriber_1delete_1datareader (env=0x7f7c781061f8, self_
↔ class=0x7f7cb0137148, self=140172244792864, readerL=140172235575408) at_
→SubscriberImpl.c:790
```

This issue has been resolved. Now one thread will remove the entity and the other thread will throw an exception with the error code **com.rti.dds.infrastructure.RETCODE_ALREADY_DELETED**.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10768]

DataReader C++ application crashed if it received tampered sample with unsupported encapsulation ID

If a C++ application with a *DataReader* received a sample with a tampered or malformed encapsulation kind, a segmentation fault occurred when the *DataReader* attempted to deserialize the sample, leading to an application crash. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12356]

Segmentation fault after calling DomainParticipant::register_durable_subscription with a group containing a long role_name

An application using the API **DomainParticipant::register_durable_subscription**() may have experienced a segmentation fault if the **role_name** of the input group was NULL or had a length greater than 512 bytes. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12460]

Segmentation fault when application using MultiChannel ran out of memory

A *Connext* application using MultiChannel might have produced a segmentation fault if the system ran out of memory. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12493]

Application crashed when capturing traffic for a DomainParticipant created before enabling network capture

To capture network traffic, you must enable this feature before creating the *DomainParticipants* that will capture the traffic. Applications not satisfying this requirement crashed when starting, pausing, or resuming the capture.

This problem has been fixed. *Connext* will no longer crash in this situation, but will fail and log messages such as the following:

```
ERROR NDDS_Utility_start_network_capture_w_params_for_participant:!get_

→network capture manager for DomainParticipant. Network capture must be_

→enabled before creating the DomainParticipant

ERROR NDDS_Utility_start_network_capture_for_participant:!network capture_

→could not be started for the participant

ERROR NDDS_Utility_run_network_capture_operation_for_all_participants:!failed_

→to run network capture operation for participant

ERROR NDDS_Utility_start_network_capture_w_params:!error starting network_

→capture for all participants
```

ERROR NDDS_Utility_start_network_capture:!start network capture for all_ participants. There was at least one participant that could not be started [RTI Issue ID CORE-12511]

Possible crash when writing a sample

Due to an internal error, an application could crash when writing a sample using either a best-effort or reliable *DataWriter*. Before the crash, an error message in either of the following functions was printed:

```
* COMMENDBeWriterService_write
```

```
* COMMENDSrWriterService_write
```

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12561]

Potential crash during type registration if system ran out of memory

A crash may have occurred during type registration if the application ran out of memory. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12734]

Segmentation fault after calling DomainParticipant::delete_durable_subscription with a group containing a long role_name

An application using the API **DomainParticipant::register_durable_subscription()** may have experienced a segmentation fault if the **role_name** of the input group was NULL or had a length greater than 512 bytes. This problem has been fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12787]

Potential crash or memory corruption if user application using thread-specific storage

Starting with release 6.1.0, there was an issue that could lead to a potential crash or memory corruption if the user application was using thread-specific storage.

In particular, when using Activity Context or Heap Monitoring, a race condition could have been triggered upon creating a thread with the ThreadFactory at the same time the DomainParticipantFactory instance was initialized or finalized. When this race condition was triggered, *Connext* might have overwritten the user application's thread-specific storage, leading to memory corruption or crashes.

This issue is now fixed. If the race condition that led to the issue happens in an application, the following benign warning will be logged:

If that is the case, Activity Context and Heap Monitoring won't be available for that thread.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12966]

5.2.10 Other Fixes

Serialization/deserialization of non-primitive sequences and arrays for XCDR2_DATA_REPRESENTATION did not follow Extensible Types specification

The serialization/deserialization of sequences and arrays with non-primitive members for XCDR2_DATA_REPRESENTATION did not follow the OMG 'Extensible and Dynamic Topic Types for DDS' specification, version 1.3. This led to compatibility issues with other DDS implementations.

This problem has been fixed, although the new behavior is not enabled by default, in order to keep backward compatibility with previous *Connext* releases. You can configure a *DomainParticipant* to align with the specification by setting **dds.type_plugin.dheader_in_non_primitive_collections** to true in the *DomainParticipant's* PROPERTY QoS Policy for all the *DomainParticipants* created by your *Connext* applications.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12464]

Possible hang when using best-effort writers and asynchronous publishing

Due to an internal error, an application hung when using a best-effort writer and asynchronous publishing. Before the hang, the following error message was printed:

COMMENDBeWriterService_write:!retrieveJob This problem is now fixed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12562]

Unnecessary sockets created during initialization of library

The initialization of the *Connext* libraries always created a socket to obtain the IP address of the first valid interface of the machine. This IP address is used to generate identifiers when **DDS_DomainParticipan-**tQos::wire_protocol::rtps_auto_id_kind is **DDS_RTPS_AUTO_ID_FROM_IP**, which is not the default value. Therefore, the creation of this socket was unnecessary in most cases. This problem has been solved, and now the socket is only created when it is needed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12587]

Various issues with RtpsReliableWriterProtocol_t::nack_suppression_duration

There were various issues with the RtpsReliableWriterProtocol_t::nack_suppression_duration QoS:

- NACKs were being incorrectly suppressed with asynchronous publishing or non-zero min/max_nack_response_delay if two NACK messages were received within the nack_sup-pression_duration window, even if they were NACKing for different sets of sequence numbers. The nack_suppression_duration is only meant to suppress NACKs with the same leading sequence number that are received within the nack_suppression_duration window. If two consecutive NACKs have different leading sequence numbers, this indicates that the reader is making progress and the second one should not be suppressed, regardless of the nack_suppression_duration. Incorrect suppression of NACKs was not an issue if min/max_nack_response_delay was zero and PublishModeQosPolicy.kind was SYNCHRONOUS_PUBLISH_MODE_QOS.
- If a NACK was received and suppressed due to the nack_suppression_duration before the previous NACK was responded to, then the NACK that had not been responded to yet, along with all NACKs for the duration of the nack_suppression_duration, were incorrectly suppressed. This problem did not occur if min/max_nack_response_delay was zero and PublishModeQosPolicy.kind was SYN-CHRONOUS_PUBLISH_MODE_QOS.
- When **PublishModeQosPolicy.kind** was **ASYNCHRONOUS_PUBLISH_MODE_QOS**, if there were no GAP messages sent in response to a NACK, the **nack_suppression_duration** had no effect and NACKs were never suppressed. (GAP messages are sent to a *DataReader* to indicate that a sample or a set of samples are not meant for that *DataReader*. This can happen, for example, because the *DataWriter* has applied writer-side filtering or no longer has those samples in its queue.)

These issues have been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12603]

Possible error message printed during Entity disposal

Upon the disposal of an entity, an error message from a callback associated with an event may have been printed. An excerpt of what the error may have looked like this:

```
ERROR [0x01013D3F,0x79453D76,0xA3558BB2:0x00000000|REMOVE_

→REMOTE DR 0x01013D3F,0x79453D76,0xA3558BB2:0x8000007]_

→OnReliableReaderActivityChangedCallback:An exception was thrown: Omg.Dds.

→Core.DdsException: DDS operation failed:

at Rti.Dds.NativeInterface.Helpers.ReturnCode.CheckResult(IntPtr result)

...
```

The disposal of entities has now been modified to ensure this error does not happen.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12641]

Runtime error when using debug libraries for QNX x86 platform

When using the i86QNX6.6qcc_cpp4.7.3 debug libraries, your application may have had a runtime error and hung. This was because the debug libraries included the symbol for a math function ("**isinff**") that was discontinued in QNX 6.3.

This problem has been resolved. The debug libraries now include "isinf" instead, which is supported.

A full list of the math functions that were discontinued in QNX 6.3 can be found here: http://www.qnx.com/ developers/docs/6.6.0.update/index.html#com.qnx.doc.neutrino.lib_ref/topic/whats_new_630.html.

Note: QNX platforms on x86 are not supported in Connext 7.0.0.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12695]

Pushed samples may not have been received by reliable DataReader when DataWriter published Type that supports Zero Copy transfer over shared memory

A reliable *DataReader* may not have received pushed samples from a *DataWriter* publishing a *Topic* on a type configured with the zero-copy transfer over shared memory **@transfer_mode(SHMEM_REF)**. This may have led to significant performance degradation because the *DataReader* has to continuously NACK the missing samples.

This problem only occurred when the following three conditions were true:

- 1. The *DataWriter* ran in a different host, or the *DataReader* did not have the builtin SHMEM transport enabled.
- 2. The *DataReader* used a ContentFilteredTopic, and the *DataWriter* did writer-side filtering, or the *DataReader* created TopicQueries.
- 3. The Data Writer was not configured to use an asynchronous publisher. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12775]

Unbounded memory growth in Monitoring Library when creating and deleting endpoints

Each time a *Data Writer* or *DataReader* is created in an application that has *RTI Monitoring Library* enabled, a new instance is created in the *Data Writers* of the library. Since, by default, the maximum number of instances the *Data Writer* can handle is unlimited, and the instances of already deleted endpoints were not cleaned up automatically, unbounded memory growth was possible in the library's *Data Writers* when constantly creating and deleting endpoints in an application that had *Monitoring Library* enabled.

This problem has been fixed by setting the **writer_data_lifecycle::autopurge_disposed_instances_delay** QoS to **DDS_DURATION_ZERO** by default in the *DataWriters* for the Monitoring Library. That way, disposed instances will be instantly cleared.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-244]

Unexpected behavior when two threads crashed at the same time on Windows systems

When two threads crashed at the same time on Windows systems, *Connext* may have concurrently called the function **SymInitialize()** from **DbgHelp** from two crashing threads.

SymInitialize() is not thread safe, so the application may have run into unexpected behavior or memory corruption under this scenario.

This has been resolved, *Connext* no longer calls **SymInitialize()** from a crashing thread. Instead, **SymInitialize()** is now called during DomainParticipantFactory initialization.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10066]

DataReaders setting reader_qos.protocol.expects_inline_qos to TRUE incorrectly matched with DataWriters

Connext DataWriters matched *DataReaders* that set **reader_qos.protocol.expects_inline_qos** to TRUE. This behavior was incorrect because *Connext DataWriters* do not support sending inline QoS, and they were not honoring the *DataReaders*' requests.

This issue has been fixed. The behavior has changed so that *DataWriters* will not match *DataReaders* that request inline QoS (i.e., that set **reader_qos.protocol.expects_inline_qos** to TRUE).

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10501]

Source IP on Spy was not correct when DataWriters with same Topic were on different machines

The source IP on Spy may not have been correct when *DataWriters* with the same Topic were on different machines. This issue has been fixed. Now the source IP is per Entity, not per Topic, and the output will look like this:

11:35:13 New reader **from** 10.200.130.20 : topic=""Example app"" type=""app"" 11:35:18 New writer **from** 10.200.129.195 : topic=""Example app"" type=""app"" 11:35:16 New writer **from** 10.200.130.3 : topic=""Example app"" type=""app"" 11:42:58 New data **from** 10.200.129.195 : topic=""Example app"" type=""app"" 11:42:58 New data **from** 10.200.130.3 : topic=""Example app"" type=""app"" 11:43:00 New data **from** 10.200.129.195 : topic=""Example app"" type=""app"" 11:43:00 New data **from** 10.200.129.195 : topic=""Example app"" type=""app""

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12169]

Writer using durable writer history may not have blocked after send window filled up when disable positive ACKs was enabled

In previous releases, a reliable *DataWriter* configuring a finite send window size may not have blocked when the send window filled up if all these conditions were met:

- Data Writer was configured to use durable writer history.
- Data Writer was configured to use disable positive ACKs.
- *DataWriter* was configured with **writer_qos.reliability.acknowledgment_kind** set to AUTO or EX-PLICIT, or **writer_qos.availability.enable_required_subscriptions** was set to TRUE.

Because of this issue, the reliability protocol for the *DataWriter* may have been less efficient. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12225]

Potential truncation of application-level acknowledgment response data

Connext enforced a wrong maximum length for application-level acknowledgment response data. Specifically, *Connext* incorrectly allowed setting the DATA_READER_RESOURCE_LIMITS QosPolicy's **max_app_ack_response_length** longer than the maximum serializable data, which resulted in the truncation of data when the length got close to 64kB.

This problem has been resolved: *Connext* now enforces a maximum length of 32kB for **max_app_ack_re-sponse_length** as part of *DataReader* QoS consistency checks, and it will log an error if you try to set **max_app_ack_response_length** longer than 32kB.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12450]

Error messages displayed that should not have been, when printing DataReaderQoS objects

When printing DataReaderQoS objects, and the contained DDSOwnershipQosPolicy or DDS_TransportMulticastQosPolicy policies were printed, some error messages were displayed that should not have been. These error messages could have been safely ignored by an application. These error messages are no longer printed.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12462]

Potential Valgrind invalid read when logging a message or enabling heap monitoring

When activity context was enabled in logging, or when heap monitoring was enabled, a Valgrind invalid read similar to the following one may have been reported:

This issue has been resolved. The Valgrind invalid read error no longer appears.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12537]

Malformed IDL printed if multiple labels used for default case of a union

The IDL produced by the C API's **DDS_TypeCode_print_IDL**() function (or the equivalent in other APIs) may have been malformed if multiple labels were assigned to the default case of a union. All of the labels were printed as "default: ", instead of their true value. This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12624]

Chapter 6

Known Issues

Note: For an updated list of critical known issues, see the Critical Issues List on the RTI Customer Portal at https://support.rti.com.

This section includes:

6.1 Known Issues with Discovery (SPDP2)

The following known issues apply to the Simple Participant Discovery Protocol 2.0, which is an alternative version of the Simple Participant Discovery Protocol, designed for decreased bandwidth usage and improved reliability. See Simple Participant Discovery 2.0, in the RTI Connext Core Libraries User's Manual for more information.

6.1.1 Features under future consideration for SPDP2

Note: RTI does not guarantee the following features for any release or timeline. If any of these enhancements is of interest to you, please provide that feedback through your account team.

The following features, which are not currently supported, are being considered for SPDP2 in future releases:

- Use of SPDP2 with custom security plugins (for example, those implemented with the *Security Plugins* so SDK), the *Lightweight Security Plugins*, or HMAC-Only mode. Only the *RTI Security Plugins* are supported in combination with SPDP2.
- SPDP and SPDP2 compatibility mode. The compatibility mode will allow some *DomainParticipants* to
 simultaneously communicate with *DomainParticipants* that are using SPDP and SPDP2. *DomainParticipants* that
 are using the compatibility mode will be able to communicate with *DomainParticipants* that
 are using SPDP and other *DomainParticipants* that are using SPDP2. For now, you can use *RTI Routing Service* to achieve this communication; see this Knowledge Base article on the RTI Community Forum.

- Improved configuration update behavior. Currently, when a *DomainParticipant* changes its configuration (partition, locators, etc.), it sends out:
 - If SPDP is enabled: a single Data(p) to all peers (matched or potential).
 - If SPDP2 is enabled: a single reliable message to matched peers, a single bootstrap message to unmatched initial peers. RTI will add an option to send multiple Data(p)s/bootstrap messages, since these messages are sent best-effort and can get lost, delaying configuration change updates in remote participants until the next periodic message.

[RTI Issue IDs CORE-12929, CORE-13884, and CORE-12930]

6.1.2 HMAC-Only mode and Lightweight Security Plugins not supported

DomainParticipants using SPDP2 cannot use HMAC-Only mode or Lightweight Security Plugins using only preshared keys. Participant discovery will not complete if these features are used. HMAC and preshared keys can be used if they are used in conjunction with the full *Security Plugins*.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13385]

6.1.3 allow_unauthenticated_participants not supported in all scenarios

DomainParticipants using SPDP2 with allow_unauthenticated_participants set to TRUE will complete discovery with *DomainParticipants* that are not using security, but will not complete discovery with *DomainParticipants* that are using security but fail authentication.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13383]

6.1.4 Participant discovery fails after re-authentication after asymmetric liveliness loss

If an asymmetric loss of liveliness occurs between two *DomainParticipants*, the *DomainParticipants* will attempt to perform re-authentication following the process described in Re-Authentication in the Security Plugins User's Manual. However, communication between the *DomainParticipants* will not resume, regardless of the result of the re-authentication attempt. *DomainParticipant* communication will only resume if both *DomainParticipants* lose liveliness and begin participant discovery again.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13870]

6.2 Known Issues with Serialization and Deserialization

6.2.1 Some parameters cannot be received multiple times within same SPDP sample

The OMG Real-Time Publish-Subscribe (RTPS) specification, version 2.5 allows in general that "The ParameterList may contain multiple Parameters with the same value for the parameterId." *RTI Connext*, however, does not support receiving the following parameterId values multiple times within the same Simple Participant Discovery Protocol (SPDP) discovery sample:

- PID_USER_DATA
- PID_PROPERTY_LIST
- PID_ENTITY_NAME
- PID_ROLE_NAME
- PID_PARTITION
- PID_DOMAIN_TAG
- PID_IDENTITY_TOKEN
- PID_PERMISSIONS_TOKEN
- PID_TRANSPORT_INFO_LIST

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13680]

6.3 Known Issues with Usability

6.3.1 Cannot open USER_QOS_PROFILES.xml in rti_workspace/examples from Visual Studio

When trying to open the **USER_QOS_PROFILES.xml** file from the resource folder of one of the provided examples, you may see the following error:

The problem is that the Visual Studio project is looking for the file in a wrong location (win32 folder).

You can open the file manually from here:

```
C:\Users\<user>\Documents\rti_workspace\5.3.0\examples\connext_dds\c\<example>
→\USER_QOS_PROFILES.xml
```

This issue does not affect the functionality of the example.

[RTI Issue ID CODEGENII-743]

6.3.2 DataWriter's Listener callback on_application_acknowledgment() not triggered by late-joining DataReaders

The *DataWriter's* listener callback **on_application_acknowledgment()** may not be triggered by late-joining *DataReaders* for a sample after the sample has been application-level acknowledged by all live *DataReaders* (no late-joiners).

If your application requires acknowledgment of message receipt by late-joiners, use the Request/Reply communication pattern with an Acknowledgment type (see the chapter "Introduction to the Request-Reply Communication Pattern," in the *Core Libraries User's Manual*).

[RTI Issue ID CORE-5181]

6.3.3 HighThroughput and AutoTuning built-in QoS Profiles may cause communication failure when writing small samples

If you inherit from either the **BuiltinQosLibExp::Generic.StrictReliable.HighThroughput** or the **Built-inQosLibExp::Generic.AutoTuning** built-in QoS profiles, your *DataWriters* and *DataReaders* will fail to communicate if you are writing small samples.

In *Connext* 5.1.0, if you wrote samples that were smaller than 384 bytes, you would run into this problem. In version 5.2.0 onward, you might experience this problem when writing samples that are smaller than 120 bytes.

This communication failure is due to an interaction between the batching QoS settings in the **Generic.High-Throughput** profile and the *DataReader*'s **max_samples** resource limit, set in the **BuiltinQosLib-Exp::Generic.StrictReliable** profile. The size of the batches that the *DataWriter* writes are limited to 30,720 bytes (see max_data_bytes). This means that if you are writing samples that are smaller than 30,720/max_samples bytes, each batch will have more than max_samples samples in it. The *DataReader* cannot handle a batch with more than max_samples samples and the batch will be dropped.

There are a number of ways to fix this problem, the most straightforward of which is to overwrite the *DataReader's* **max_samples** resource limit. In your own QoS profile, use a higher value that accommodates the number of samples that will be sent in each batch. (Simply divide 30,720 by the size of your samples).

[RTI Issue ID CORE-6411]

6.3.4 Memory leak if Foo:initialize() called twice

Calling Foo:initialize() more than once will cause a memory leak.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-7678]

6.3.5 Wrong error code after timeout on write() from Asynchronous Publisher

When using an asynchronous publisher, if **write**() times out, it will mistakenly return DDS_RETCODE_ER-ROR instead of the correct code, DDS_RETCODE_TIMEOUT.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-2016, Bug # 11362]

6.3.6 Type Consistency enforcement disabled for structs with more than 10000 members

TypeObjects cannot be created from structs with more than 10000 members. Applications that publish or subscribe to such types may see errors like the following:

```
RTICdrStream_serializeNonPrimitiveSequence:sequence length (10005) exceeds_

→maximum (10000)

RTICdrTypeObjectTypeLibraryElement_getTypeId:serialization error: Type

RTICdrTypeObject_fillType:!get TypeId

RTICdrTypeObject_assertTypeFromTypeCode:!create Structure Type

RTICdrTypeObject_createFromTypeCode:!create TypeObject
```

When the TypeObject can't be serialized, the type compatibility check between a reader and a writer falls back to exact type-name matching.

See the section "Verifying Type Consistency: Type Assignability" in the *RTI Connext Core Libraries Extensible Types Guide* for more information.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-8158]

6.3.7 Escaping special characters in regular/filter expressions not supported in some cases

Escaping special characters is not supported in expressions when using the following features:

- Partitions
- MultiChannel

Every occurrence of a backslash (\) will be considered its own character and not a way to escape the character that follows. For example: $A \ge A$? does not match A? because the first expression is considered an expression with three characters.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11858]

6.4 Known Issues with Code Generation

6.4.1 Examples and generated code for Visual Studio 2017 and later may not compile (Error MSB8036)

The examples provided with *Connext* and the code generated for Visual Studio 2017 and later will not compile out of the box if the Windows SDK version installed is not a specific number like 10.0.15063.0. If that happens, you will see the compilation error MSB8036. To compile these projects, select an installed version of Windows SDK from the Project menu -> Retarget solution.

Another option is to set the environment variable RTI_VS_WINDOWS_TARGET_PLATFORM_VERSION to the SDK version number. For example, set RTI_VS_WINDOWS_TARGET_PLATFORM_VERSION to 10.0.16299.0. (Note: the environment variable will not work if you have already retargeted the project via the Project menu.)

For further details, see the Windows chapter of the Core Libraries Platform Notes.

[RTI Issue ID CODEGENII-800]

6.5 Known Issues with Instance Lifecycle

6.5.1 RECOVER_INSTANCE_STATE_CONSISTENCY setting not fully supported by RTI Infrastructure Services

The RECOVER_INSTANCE_STATE_CONSISTENCY option in the **instance_state_consistency_kind** field, in the RELIABILITY QoS policy, is not fully supported by the *RTI Infrastructure Services* products.

RTI Routing Service inputs cannot route instance state transitions from NOT_ALIVE_NO_WRITERS to ALIVE after regaining liveliness with a *DataWriter*. However, a *Routing Service* output *DataWriter* can be configured to use the RECOVER_INSTANCE_STATE_CONSISTENCY setting and respond to matching *DataReaders* if they request instance state updates after a reconnection.

Persistence Service, Queuing Service, Recording Service, and *Replay Service* do not support being configured with the RECOVER_INSTANCE_STATE_CONSISTENCY setting, since they do not support storing or publishing ALIVE instance state transitions with no associated data.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-13337]

6.5.2 Persistence Service DataReaders ignore serialized key propagated with dispose updates

Persistence Service DataReaders ignore the serialized key propagated with dispose updates. *Persistence Service DataWriters* cannot propagate the serialized key with dispose, and therefore ignore the **serialize_key_with_dispose** setting on the *DataWriter* QoS.

[RTI Issue ID PERSISTENCE-221]

6.6 Known Issues with Reliability

6.6.1 DataReaders with different reliability kinds under Subscriber with GROUP_PRESENTATION_QOS may cause communication failure

Creating a *Subscriber* with **PresentationQosPolicy.access_scope** GROUP_PRESENTATION_QOS and then creating *DataReaders* with different **ReliabilityQosPolicy.kind** values creates the potential for situations in which those *DataReaders* will not receive any data.

One such situation is when the *DataReaders* are discovered as late-joiners. In this case, samples are never delivered to the *DataReaders*. A workaround for this issue is to set the **AvailabilityQosPolicy.max_data_availability_waiting_time** to a finite value for each *DataReader*.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-7284]

6.7 Known Issues with Content Filters and Query Conditions

6.7.1 Writer-side filtering may cause missed deadline

If you are using a ContentFilteredTopic and you set the Deadline QosPolicy, the deadline may be missed due to filtering by a *DataWriter*.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-1634, Bug # 10765]

6.7.2 filter_sample_* statistics in DDS_DataWriterProtocolStatus not updated correctly

The **filter_sample_*** statistics in the **DDS_DataWriterProtocolStatus** are not updated correctly. The values that you get after calling the following APIs may be smaller than the actual values:

- DDS_DataWriter::get_datawriter_protocol_status
- DDS_DataWriter::get_matched_subscription_datawriter_protocol_status
- DDS_DataWriter::get_matched_subscription_datawriter_protocol_status_by_locator

[RTI Issue ID CORE-5157]

6.8 Known Issues with TopicQueries

6.8.1 TopicQueries not supported with DataWriters configured to use batching or Durable Writer History

Getting TopicQuery data from a *DataWriter* configured to use batching or Durable Writer History is not supported.

[RTI Issue IDs CORE-7405, CORE-7406]

6.9 Known Issues with Transports

6.9.1 AppAck messages cannot be greater than underlying transport message size

A *DataReader* with **acknowledgment_kind** (in the ReliabilityQosPolicy) set to DDS_APPLICA-TION_AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGMENT_MODE or DDS_APPLICATION_EXPLICIT_ACKNOWLEDG-MENT_MODE cannot send AppAck messages greater than the underlying transport message size.

If a *DataReader* tries to send an AppAck message greater than the transport message size, *Connext* will print the following error message:

```
COMMENDFacade_sendAppAck:!add APP_ACK to MIG
COMMENDSrReaderService_sendAppAck:!send APP_ACK
PRESPsService_onReaderAppAckSendEvent:!send acknowledgment
```

To recover from the above error, the *DataReader* must acknowledge samples until the size of the AppAck message goes below the transport message size threshold.

Why does an AppAck message increase its size? An AppAck message contains a list of sequence number intervals where each interval represents a set of consecutive sequence numbers that have been already acknowledged. As long as samples are acknowledged in order, the AppAck message will always have a single interval. However, when samples are acknowledged out of order, the number of intervals and the size of the AppAck will increase.

For more information, see the "Application Acknowledgment" section in the Core Libraries User's Manual.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-5329]

6.9.2 DataReader cannot persist AppAck messages greater than 32767 bytes

A *DataReader* using durable reader state, whose **acknowledgment_kind** (in the ReliabilityQosPolicy) is set to DDS_APPLICATION_AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGMENT_MODE or DDS_APPLICATION_EX-PLICIT_ACKNOWLEDGMENT_MODE, cannot persist an AppAck message greater than 32767 bytes.

To recover from the previous error, the *DataReader* must acknowledge samples until the size of the AppAck message goes below the transport message size threshold.

For more information, see the section "Durable Reader State," in the Core Libraries User's Manual.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-5360]

6.9.3 Discovery with Connext Micro fails when shared memory transport enabled

Given a *Connext* application with the shared memory transport enabled, a *Connext* Micro 2.4.x application will fail to discover it. This is due to a bug in *Connext* Micro that prevents a received participant discovery message from being correctly processed. This bug will be fixed in a future release of *Connext* Micro. As a workaround, you can disable the shared memory transport in the *Connext* application and use UDPv4 instead.

[RTI Issue ID EDDY-1615]

6.9.4 Communication may not be reestablished in some IP mobility scenarios

If you have two *Connext* applications in different nodes and they change their IP address at the same time, they may not reestablish communication. This situation may happen in the following scenario:

- The applications see each other only from one single network.
- The IP address change happens at the same time in the network interface cards (NICs) that are in the network that is in common for both applications.
- The IP address change on one of the nodes happens before the arrival of the DDS discovery message propagating the address change from the other side.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-8260]

6.9.5 Corrupted samples may be forwarded through Routing Service when using Zero-Copy transfer over shared memory

When using Zero Copy transfer over shared memory together with RTI Routing Service, Routing Service avoids an additional copy of the data by passing a reference to the sample from the input to the output of a route. If the sample is reused and rewritten by the original application Data Writer during the time between when the sample was received on the route input and copied into the route output buffer, the forwarded sample will contain the updated, and now invalid, values for the original sample.

This situation can be avoided in a few different ways, with various tradeoffs.

Use automatic application acknowledgment

Using automatic application acknowledgment (**acknowledgment_mode** = APPLICATION_AUTO_AC-KNOWLEDGMENT in the Reliability QoS Policy) between the *Routing Service* input *DataReader* and its matching *DataWriters* will avoid the issue.

When using Zero Copy transfer over shared memory, *Data Writers* must loan samples using the **get_loan** API. Only samples that have been fully acknowledged will be returned by the **get_loan** API. This means that if automatic application acknowledgment is turned on, that only samples that the *Routing Service* has already copied and written to the route output will be available for reuse by the original *DataWriter*, because *Routing Service* does not return the loan on a sample until after it is forwarded to the route outputs.

The drawback to this approach is that it requires RELIABLE Reliability. In addition, application-level acknowledgments are not supported in *Connext Micro*, so this approach will not work if *Connext Micro* is the source of the Zero Copy samples.

Ensure that the number of available samples accounts for Routing Service processing time

Regardless of whether you are using *Routing Service*, it is important when using Zero Copy transfer over shared memory to size your resources so that your application can continue to write at the desired rate while the receiving applications receive and process the samples. If you are using *Routing Service* and cannot, or do not wish to, use automatic application acknowledgments, you must take into account the amount of time it will take to receive and forward a sample when setting **writer_loaned_sample_allocation** in the DATA_WRITER_RE-SOURCE_LIMITS QoS Policy and managing the samples in your application.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10782]

6.9.6 Network Capture does not support frames larger than 65535 bytes

Network capture does not support frames larger than 65535 bytes. This limitation affects the TCP transport protocol if the **message_size_max** property is set to a value larger than the default one.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11083]

6.10 Known Issues with FlatData

6.10.1 FlatData language bindings do not support automatic initialization of arrays of primitive values to non-zero default values

*RTI FlatData*TM *language bindings* do not support the automatic initialization of arrays of primitive values to non-zero default values, unless the primitive is an enumeration. It is possible to declare an alias to a primitive member with a default value using the @default annotation, and then to declare an array of that alias. For example:

```
@default(10)
typedef int32 myLongAlias;
struct MyType {
    myLongAlias myLongArray[25];
};
```

The default values of each member of the array in this case should be 10, but in FlatData they will all be set to 0.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-9176]
6.10.2 Flat Data: plain_cast on types with 64-bit integers may cause undefined behavior

The function **rti::flat::plain_cast** is allowed on FlatData samples containing int64_t members, but those members are not guaranteed to have an 8-byte alignment (a 4-byte alignment is guaranteed). Memory checkers such as Valgrind may report errors when accessing such members from the pointer returned by **plain_cast**.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10092]

6.11 Known Issues with Coherent Sets

6.11.1 Some coherent sets may be lost or reported as incomplete with batching configurations

If *Connext* 6.1.0 receives coherent sets from *Connext* 6.0.0 or lower using batching, coherent sets that are fully received and complete may be lost or marked as incomplete. (If the QoS **subscriber_qos.presentation.drop_incomplete_coherent_set** is set to FALSE, then the samples marked as incomplete won't be dropped.)

[RTI Issue ID CORE-9691]

6.11.2 Copy of SampleInfo::coherent_set_info field is not supported

SampleInfo::coherent_set_info is not available when using take/read operations that do not loan the samples. The **SampleInfo::coherent_set_info** is always set to NULL when you call the take/read operations that do not loan the samples. To get the **coherent_set_info** value, make sure you use the read/take operations that loan the data.

In addition, the copy constructor and assignment operator in the Traditional C++ and Modern C++ APIs do not copy the **SampleInfo::coherent_set_info** field. It is always set to NULL. It is your responsibility to make the copy and handle memory allocation and deletion for this field.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11215]

6.11.3 Other known issues with coherent sets

Coherent sets are not propagated through RTI Routing Service [RTI Issue ID ROUTING-657].

Group coherent sets are not persisted by RTI Persistence Service [RTI Issue ID PERSISTENCE-191].

Group coherent sets cannot be stored or replayed with RTI Recording Service [RTI Issue ID RECORD-1083].

6.12 Known Issues with Dynamic Data

6.12.1 Conversion of data by member-access primitives limited when converting to types that are not supported on all platforms

The conversion of data by member-access primitives (**get_X**() operations) is limited when converting to types that are not supported on all platforms. This limitation applies when converting to a 64-bit int64 type (**get_longlong**() and **get_ulonglong**() operations) and a 128-bit long double type (**get_longdouble**()). These methods will always work for data members that are actually of the correct type, but will only support conversion from values that are stored as smaller types on a subset of platforms. Conversion to 64-bit int64s from a 32-bit or smaller integer type is supported on all Windows and Linux architectures, and any additional 64-bit architectures. Conversion to 128-bit long doubles from a float or double is not supported.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-2986]

6.12.2 Types that contain bit fields not supported

Types that contain bit fields are not supported by DynamicData. Therefore, when rtiddsspy discovers any type that contains a bit field, *rtiddsspy* will print this message:

DDS_DynamicDataTypeSupport_initialize:type **not** supported (bitfield member)

[RTI Issue ID CORE-3949]

6.13 Known Issues with Logging

6.13.1 Possible crash when closing a logger device while it is used

Due to a concurrency issue in the *Connext* logging infrastructure, there is a small possibility of a crash in an application when a logger device is closed at the same time it is being used for logging a message.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-10546]

6.14 Known Issues with RTI Monitoring Library

The following known issues occur in RTI Monitoring Library, not in RTI Monitoring Library 2.0.

6.14.1 Problems with NDDS_Transport_Support_set_builtin_transport_property() if Participant Sends Monitoring Data

If a *Connext* application uses the **NDDS_Transport_Support_set_builtin_transport_property**() API (instead of the PropertyQosPolicy) to set built-in transport properties, it will not work with *Monitoring Library* if the user participant is used for sending all the monitoring data (the default settings). As a workaround, you can configure *Monitoring Library* to use another participant to publish monitoring data (using the property name **rti.monitor.config.new_participant_domain_id** in the PropertyQosPolicy).

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-222]

6.14.2 Participant's CPU and memory statistics are per application

The CPU and memory usage statistics published in the *DomainParticipant* entity statistics topic are per application instead of per *DomainParticipant*.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-7972]

6.14.3 ResourceLimit channel_seq_max_length must not be changed

The default value of **DDS_DomainParticipantResourceLimitsQosPolicy::channel_seq_max_length** can't be modified if a *DomainParticipant* is being monitored. If this QoS value is modified from its default value of 32, *Monitoring library* will fail.

[RTI Issue ID MONITOR-220]

6.15 Known Issues with Installers

6.15.1 RTI Connext Micro 3.0.3 installation package currently compatible only with Connext 6.0.1 installer

ConnextMicro 3.0.3 must be installed with *ConnextProfessional* release 6.0.1. It cannot be installed with release 6.1.0. *ConnextMicro* 3.0.3 can communicate with either release. Customers licensing *ConnextMicro* will be notified when a *ConnextMicro* release that is compatible with the 6.1.0 installer is available.

6.16 Other Known Issues

6.16.1 Possible Valgrind still-reachable leaks when loading dynamic libraries

If you load any dynamic libraries, you may see "still reachable" memory leaks in "dlopen" and "dlclose". These leaks are a result of a bug in Valgrind (https://bugs.launchpad.net/ubuntu/+source/valgrind/+bug/1160352).

This issue affects the Core Libraries, Security Plugins, and TLS Support.

[RTI Issue IDs CORE-9941, SEC-1026, and COREPLG-510]

6.16.2 64-bit discriminator values greater than (2^31-1) or smaller than (-2^31) not supported

Unions with a 64-bit integer discriminator type containing discriminator values that cannot fit in a 32-bit value are not supported when using the following language bindings:

• C

- Traditional C++
- Modern C++
- C#
- Java
- Python
- DynamicData (regardless of the language)

They are also not supported with ContentFilteredTopics, regardless of the language binding.

Using label values greater than 32-bit may lead to receiving samples with invalid content or to filtering samples incorrectly.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-11437]

6.16.3 Creating multiple DataReaders for the same Topic under the same Subscriber configured with Group Ordered Access is not supported

Creating multiple *DataReaders* for the same *Topic* under the same *Subscriber* configured with Presentation-QosPolicy **access_scope** = GROUP and **ordered_access** = TRUE is not supported. If you try to create a second reader in this situation, it will fail to be created and this error will be printed:

```
ERROR [0x0101E967,0x5C3A43B1,0x99D71EB7:0x80000309{Entity=Su,Domain=0}|CREATE_

→DR WITH TOPIC FooTopic|LC:DISC]PRESPsService_createLocalEndpoint:NOT_

→SUPPORTED | Creating more than one reader for the same topic within a_

→single subscriber using GROUP presentation and ordered_access=true.
```

Instead, in this situation, you will need to use only one *DataReader*, or you will need to create a new *Subscriber* and *DataReader* in the same *DomainParticipant*.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-12448]

Chapter 7

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