



# New Replication Features in OpenLDAP

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# Context

- Syncrepl has been in OpenLDAP since 2003
  - Open spec, but still not widely implemented
  - ApacheDS appears to be the only other
- Migration from other servers has become more urgent
  - SunDS has reached end of life
  - Microsoft AD doesn't perform well enough to be a primary LDAP server

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# Approach

- Small extensions to the existing Syncrepl consumer
  - Stubs for SunDS retro-changelog replication already existed
  - Never got fleshed out before due to lack of demand
  - The demand exists today
  - Needs 11 new attributes, 1 new objectclass (in schema/dsee.schema)
  - Supports refreshOnly and refreshAndPersist with syncdata=changelog

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- See test072 and test075 in the test suite
  - Simple setup of DSEE

```
#
# Test replication:
# - start provider
# - start consumer
# - populate over ldap
# - perform some modifies and deleted
# - attempt to modify the consumer (referral)
# - retrieve database over ldap and compare against expected results
#

DSEEPW=secret21
DSEEDN="cn=Directory Manager"
DSEEPWF=$TESTDIR/dseepw

echo "secret21" > $DSEEPWF

echo "Setting up DSEE provider slapd on TCP/IP port $PORT1..."
dsadm create -p $PORT1 -w $DSEEPWF $DBDIR1
dsadm start $DBDIR1
dsconf create-suffix -c -p $PORT1 -w $DSEEPWF $BASEDN
dsconf set-server-prop -p $PORT1 -w $DSEEPWF moddn-enabled:on
dsconf set-server-prop -p $PORT1 -w $DSEEPWF retro-cl-enabled:on
dsadm restart $DBDIR1
KILLPIDS=`basename $DBDIR1/locks/server/*`
```

# Changelog Config

- See test072 and test075 in the test suite
  - Syncrepl stanza

```
syncrepl      rid=1
              provider=@URI1@
              binddn="cn=Directory Manager"
              bindmethod=simple
              credentials=secret21
              searchbase="dc=example,dc=com"
              filter="(objectClass=*)"
              schemachecking=off
              scope=sub
              type=refreshOnly
              logbase="cn=changelog"
              syncdata=changelog
              retry="3 +" interval=00:00:00:03
updateref    @URI1@
```





# MSAD DIRSYNC

- For sites that only need user/group info, and not full AD compatibility (use Samba for that)
- Slightly less convenient, requires loading ~1000 attributetypes and a few objectclasses (in schema/msuser.schema)
- Only works with scheduled polling, no persist support

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# MSAD Config

- See test071 in the test suite
- Configure type=dirSync

```
syncrepl      rid=1
              provider=@URI1@
              binddn="@MSAD_ADMINDN@"
              bindmethod=simple
              credentials="@MSAD_ADMINPW@"
              searchbase="@MSAD_SUFFIX@"
              filter="(|(objectclass=user)(objectclass=group))"
              schemachecking=off
              scope=sub
              type=dirSync
              interval=00:00:00:03
```

# Caveats

- Both MSAD DirSync and DSEE changelog replication use host-specific changeNumbers
  - Not valid if you switch to a different provider server
  - Unlike Syncrepl contextCSNs / entryCSNs
- Replication to MSAD or DSEE not supported

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