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Journey JavaScript SDK

Advanced tracking with cookies

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Learn how to use the Journey JavaScript SDK to refine how Genesys Predictive Engagement tracks visitor data. Alternatively, you can refine tracking using your preferred tag manager. For more information, see [About event tracking with tag managers](#).

Important

This article only applies to customers using web chat. If you are a Genesys Cloud CX customer, we encourage you to use the new web messaging feature to replace web chat.

About advanced tracking

Use `init` options to change how Genesys Predictive Engagement sets cookies and how you track your visitors across subdomains or multiple domains.

Cookie options

By default, the Journey JavaScript SDK sets the cookie expiration date and determines the cookie domain. To customize these settings, use the following parameters with the `init` method.

me	Description	Default
<code>allowedLinkers</code>	Array of domains that can link into the current domain for cross-domain tracking.	Null
<code>autoLink</code>	Augments all links to the specified domains on the site to contain information that allows the linked page to continue the current tracking session.	Null
<code>cookieDomain</code>	Determines the domain on which the cookies are set.	The highest level domain possible
<code>cookieExpires</code>	Specifies the expiration time in seconds for the <code>actmi</code> , <code>_actmu</code> and <code>_actvc</code> cookies. For example, 1 year = 365 days * 24 hours * 60 minutes * 60 seconds = 31536000 seconds.	1 year
<code>cookiePrefix</code>	Adds a prefix to the names of the Genesys Predictive Engagement cookies.	"_" (underscore)

Example

```
ac('init', 'YOUR-ORGANIZATION-ID', {
  region: 'YOUR-REGION',
  cookieDomain: 'YOUR-DOMAIN',
  cookieExpires: 31536000,
  cookiePrefix: 'YOUR-PREFIX'
});
```

Track a domain and its subdomains

By default, to simplify cross-domain tracking implementations, Genesys Predictive Engagement writes cookies to the highest level domain possible. If you manage both a domain and one or more subdomains such as `www.example.com`, `blog.example.com` and `store.example.com`, the cookie domain used to store cookies will be `.example.com`.

Tracking subdomains in 2 different accounts

For tracking subdomains separately in 2 different accounts, you need to customize the Genesys Predictive Engagement tracking snippet to specify the desired domain in the `init` call:

```
ac('init', 'YOUR-ORGANIZATION-ID', {
  region: 'YOUR-REGION',
  cookieDomain: 'subdomain.example.co.uk'
});
```

Track multiple domains

A default setup tracks traffic to each domain (for example: `example.com` and `example.co.uk`) independently. Therefore, a visitor arriving in one domain who then proceeds to another domain that is set up with the same tracking account counts as two separate visitors with two separate visits or sessions. Each one comprises the activities (pages visited, and so on) that occurred on each domain.

To enable cross domain tracking, also known as *site linking*, to bundle together the traffic to both domains, modify the `init` call in the Genesys Predictive Engagement tracking snippet to allow auto linking to another domain. Suppose you have a site, `example.com` that links to `example.co.uk` and in opposite manner.

To enable tracking across both of these domains, modify the following in the Genesys Predictive Engagement tracking snippet in `example.com`:

```
ac('init', 'YOUR-ORGANIZATION-ID', {
  region: 'YOUR-REGION',
  allowedLinkers: ['example.co.uk'],
  autoLink: ['example.co.uk']
});
```

Then, modify the Genesys Predictive Engagement tracking snippet in `example.co.uk` to also allow

linking. Specifically, to accept the visitor tracking cookies from another site, and to enable auto linking to decorate all links pointing to example.com:

```
ac('init', 'YOUR-ORGANIZATION-ID', {  
  region: 'YOUR-REGION',  
  allowedLinkers: ['example.com'],  
  autoLink: ['example.com']  
});
```

Asymmetric site linking

You can set up asymmetric site linking. It allows you to carry cookies from example.com to example.co.uk but not the other way around. The Genesys Predictive Engagement tracking snippet in example.com removes example.co.uk from allowedLinkers, and removes autoLink from the Genesys Predictive Engagement tracking snippet added to example.co.uk.