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## Introduction

Gsa API is a dynamic linking library implemented in C++/CLI (Managed C++), which internally uses GSA C++ code to handle the data and commands. The dynamic linking library can be used in .Net applications, python by using Pythonnet package.

The API cannot be used in VBA scripts for Excel. But It shall be used to handle the data from Excel by using Microsoft.Office.Interop.Excel in a .Net application.

## Getting started

### .Net Application

Steps to use the API .Net application is given below.

Steps to use GsaAPI.dll in .Net Application:

- Install latest GSA 10.0 (for GsaAPI.dll)
- Add Gsa install path to System environment variable “Path” list (see the [screen shot](#))
- The C# application that refers the GsaAPI.dll must be 64bit platform. As the API dll is 64bit, it cannot be used in AnyCPU/32bit platforms
- Application using the API is required to initialise start up controller object as given below.

```
static void Main()
{
    System.Reflection.Assembly assembly = System.Reflection.Assembly.GetExecutingAssembly();
    using (var controller = new GsaAPI.StartupController("GSA", assembly))
    {
        Model model = new Model();
        ...
    }
}
```

Or

```
static void Main()
{
    GsaApi.Control.InitiateAPI();
    {
        Model model = new Model();
        ...
    }
    GsaApi.Control.TerminateAPI();
}
```

## Python

Steps to use the API in Python application is given below.

Steps to use GsaAPI.dll in python:

- Install pythonnet 2.4.0 (`pip install pythonnet==2.4.0`)  
<https://pypi.org/project/pythonnet/2.4.0/>. Make sure that `>>> import clr` works in python.
- Install latest GSA 10.0 (for GsaAPI.dll)
- Add Gsa install path to System environment variable “Path” list (see the [screen shot](#))

## Data Classes

Model is the main class that associates with Gsa model file. Data and results can be extracted from an opened model.

### Model

```
{
    //Model handling related functions:
    //Parameters: filename - full path including folders
    Model();
    Model(string fileName);
    ReturnValue Open(string fileName);
    ReturnValue Close();
    ReturnValue Save();
    ReturnValue SaveAs(string fileName);

    //Analysis and Results related functions:
    //Parameters: analysisTaskID - Analysis Task number; analysisCaseID - Analysis Case number. Analysis case name is like "Analysis Case 1" and description is like "L1 + L2".
    //Note: Add or Delete analysis case functions are supported on analysis tasks with solution type Static, Static P-Delta, Static NL.
    ReadOnlyDictionary<int, AnalysisCaseResult> Results();
    bool Analyse(int analysisTaskID);
    bool DeleteResults (int analysisTaskID);

    ReadOnlyDictionary<int, AnalysisTask> AnalysisTasks();
    string AnalysisCaseDescription(int analysisCaseID);
    string AnalysisCaseName(int analysisCaseID);
    ReturnValue AddAnalysisCaseToTask(int analysisTaskID,
                                    string name,
                                    string description);
    ReturnValue DeleteAnalysisCaseFromTask(int analysisTaskID,
                                         int analyisCaseID);
    bool SetAnalysisCaseDescription(int analysisCaseID,
                                string description);

    //Axes related functions:
    //Parameters: axisID is Axis reference number
    ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Axis> Axes();
```

```

int      AddAxis(Axis axis);
void    AddAxes(ReadOnlyCollection<Axis> axes);
void    DeleteAxes(ReadOnlyCollection<int> axisIDs);
void    DeleteAxes(int axisID, int numberofAxes);
void    DeleteAxis(int axisID);

//Beam Loads related functions:
//Parameters: beamLoadID is beam Load reference number
ReadOnlyCollection<BeamLoad> BeamLoads();
int      AddBeamLoad(BeamLoad beamLoad);
void    AddBeamLoads(ReadOnlyCollection<BeamLoad> beamLoads);
void    DeleteBeamLoad(int beamLoadID);
void    DeleteBeamLoads(int beamLoadID, int numberofBeamLoads);
void    SetBeamLoad(int beamLoadID, BeamLoad beamLoad);

//Elements related functions:
//Parameters: elementID is element reference number; elementsList is a string to
specify the list of elements like "1 to 10", "PB1" or it can be a list name like
"roof elements".
ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Element> Elements();
ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Element> Elements(string elementsList);
int      AddElement(Element element);
void    AddElements(ReadOnlyCollection<Element> elements);
void    CreateElementsFromMembers();
void    DeleteElement(int elementID);
void    DeleteElements(string elementsList);
void    DeleteElements(ReadOnlyCollection<int> elementIDs);
void    SetElement(int elementID, Element element);
void    SetElements(ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Element> elements);
double   ElementArea(int elementID);
ReadOnlyCollection<double> ElementDirectionCosine(int elementID);
double   ElementLength(int elementID);
double   ElementVolume(int elementID);

//Face Loads related functions:
//Parameters: faceLoadID is face Load reference number
ReadOnlyCollection<FaceLoad> FaceLoads();
int      AddFaceLoad(FaceLoad faceLoad);

```

```

void AddFaceLoads(ReadOnlyCollection<FaceLoad> faceLoads);
void DeleteFaceLoad(int faceLoadID);
void DeleteFaceLoads(int faceLoadID, int numberofFaceLoads);
void SetFaceLoad(int faceLoadID, FaceLoad faceLoad);

//Gravity Loads related functions:
//Parameters: gravityLoadID is gravity Load reference number
ReadOnlyCollection<GravityLoad> GravityLoads();
int AddGravityLoad(GravityLoad gravityLoad);
void AddGravityLoads(ReadOnlyCollection<GravityLoad> gravityLoads);
void DeleteGravityLoad(int gravityLoadID);
void DeleteGravityLoads(int gravityLoadID, int numberOfGravityLoads);
void SetGravityLoad(int gravityLoadID, GravityLoad gravityLoad);

//Members related functions:
//Parameters: memberID is member reference number; membersList is a string to
specify the list of members like "1 to 10" or it can be a list name like "Roof
members".
ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Member> Members();
ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Member> Members(string membersList);
int AddMember(Member member);
void AddMembers(ReadOnlyCollection<Member> members);
void DeleteMember(int memberID);
void DeleteMembers(ReadOnlyCollection<int> memberIDs);
void DeleteMembers(string membersList);
void SetMember(int memberID, Member member);
void SetMembers(ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Member> members);
double MemberArea(int memberID);
ReadOnlyCollection<double> MemberDirectionCosine(int memberID);
double MemberLength(int memberID);

//Node Loads related functions:
//Parameters: nodeLoadID is node Load reference number
ReadOnlyCollection<NodeLoad> NodeLoads(NodeLoadType type);
int AddNodeLoad(NodeLoadType type, NodeLoad nodeLoad);
void AddNodeLoads(NodeLoadType type, ReadOnlyCollection<NodeLoad> nodeLoads);
void DeleteNodeLoad(NodeLoadType type, int nodeLoadID);
void DeleteNodeLoads(NodeLoadType type, int nodeLoadID, int numberofNodeLoads);

```

```

void SetNodeLoad(NodeLoadType type, int nodeLoadID, NodeLoad nodeLoad);



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//Nodes related functions:
//Parameters: nodeID is node reference number; nodesList is a string to specify the
list of nodes like “100 to 201” or it can a list name like “roof nodes”.
ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Node> Nodes();
ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Node> Nodes(string nodesList);
int AddNode(Node node);
void AddNodes(ReadOnlyCollection<Node> nodes);
void DeleteNode(int nodeID);
void DeleteNodes(ReadOnlyCollection<int> nodeIDs);
void DeleteNodes(string nodesList);
void SetNode(int nodeID, Node node);
void SetNodes(ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Node> nodes);



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//2D property related functions:
//Parameters: prop2DID is 2D property reference number
ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Prop2D> Prop2Ds();
int AddProp2D(Prop2D prop2D);
void AddProp2Ds(ReadOnlyCollection<Prop2D> prop2Ds);
void DeleteProp2D(int prop2DID);
void DeleteProp2Ds(int prop2DID, int numberofProp2Ds);
void DeleteProp2Ds(ReadOnlyCollection<int> prop2DIDs);
void SetProp2D(int prop2DID, Prop2D prop2D);
void SetProp2Ds(ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Prop2D> prop2Ds);



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//Sections related functions:
//Parameters: sectionID is section reference number
ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Section> Sections();
int AddSection(Section section);
void AddSections(ReadOnlyCollection<Section> sections);
void DeleteSection(int sectionID);
void DeleteSections(int sectionID, int numberofSections);
void DeleteSections(ReadOnlyCollection<int> sectionIDs);
void SetSection(int sectionID, Section section);
void SetSections(ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Section> sections);



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//Titles related functions:

```

```

    Titles Titles();
}

AnalysisTask
{
    //Properties
    int             Type          { get; set; }
    ReadOnlyCollection<int> Cases        { get; }
    ReadOnlyCollection<int> TaskDependencies { get; }
    string          Name          { get; set; }
}

```

## Axis

```

{
    //Properties
    AxisType       Type          { get; set; }
    string          Name          { get; set; }
    Vector3         Origin        { get; set; }
    Vector3         XVector       { get; set; }
    Vector3         XYPlane       { get; set; }

    //Functions
    string TypeAsString();
}

```

## BeamLoad

```

{
    //Properties
    BeamLoadType   Type          { get; set; }
    bool           IsProjected   { get; set; }
    Direction      Direction     { get; set; }
    int            AxisProperty  { get; set; }
    int            Case          { get; set; }
    string          Elements      { get; set; }
    string          Name          { get; set; }

    //Functions
}

```

---

*Parameter: position is 0 based index.*

```

position = 0 represents Position 1
position = 1 represents Position 2
double      Position(int position);
double      Value(int position);
void        SetPosition(int position, double value);
void        SetValue(int position, double value);
string     DirectionAsString();
string     TypeAsString();

// Positions and values
Position 1

```

*This is only relevant for point Loads and patch Loads. For a point Load this is the Location of the Load measured from end 1 of the beam; for a patch Load it is the start of the patch Load measured from end 1 of the beam Position 1 can be specified as a length or as a percentage of the Length of the element, e.g. either 1.2 or 15%. As the variable is double, %values to be entered as negative values i.e. equivalent to 15% is -0.15*

#### *Value 1*

*Load magnitude. For a point Load this is the Load value; for a uniform Load this is the load intensity; for a Linear Load this is the load intensity at end 1; for a patch Load this is the Load intensity at Position 1.*

#### *Position 2*

*This is only relevant for patch Loads and is the end of the patch Load measured from end 1 of the beam. Position 2 can be specified as a length or as a percentage of the Length of the element, e.g. either 2.4 or 85%. As the variable is double, %values to be entered as negative values i.e. equivalent to 85% is -0.85*

#### *Value 2*

*Load magnitude. For a Linear Load this is the Load intensity at end 2 and for a patch Load this is the Load intensity at Position 2.*

}

## Element

```
{
    //Properties
    bool        IsDummy          { get; set; }
    double      OrientationAngle { get; set; }
    ElementType Type            { get; set; }
    int         Group             { get; set; }
    int         OrientationNode { get; set; }
    int         Property          { get; set; }
    Offset      Offset             { get; set; }
    ReadOnlyCollection<int> Topology { get; set; }
    string      Name              { get; set; }
    ValueType   Colour            { get; set; }

    //Functions
    Bool6       Release(int iTopology);
    void        SetRelease(int iTopology, Bool6 release);
    string      TypeAsString();
}
```

## FaceLoad

```
{
    //Properties
    bool        IsProjected     { get; set; }
    Direction   Direction       { get; set; }
    FaceLoadType Type           { get; set; }
    int         AxisProperty    { get; set; }
    int         Case             { get; set; }
    string      Elements         { get; set; }
    string      Name              { get; set; }
    Vector2     Position         { get; set; }

    //Functions
    double      Value(int position);
    void        SetValue(int position, double value);
    string      TypeAsString();

    // Variable - position
}
```

*Position (int) - varies from 1 to 4, value is the pressure corresponding to the position.*

*Position (vector2) - Position of Load is applicable for point Load type. The position of the point load to be specified in ( r , s ) coordinates based on two-dimensional shape function. Coordinates vary from -1 to 1 for Quad4 and Quad8 and vary from 0 to 1 for Triangle3 and Triangle6.*

Type	Direction	Pressure at Position				Position of Load	
		1 [N/m <sup>2</sup>   N]	2 [N/m <sup>2</sup> ]	3 [N/m <sup>2</sup> ]	4 [N/m <sup>2</sup> ]	r	s
Uniform	z	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uniform	z	1.75					
Variable	z	1.5	1.25	1.4	1.82		
Point	z	20				-0.4	0.5

}

## GravityLoad

```
{
    //Properties
    int          Case        { get; set; }
    string       Elements    { get; set; }
    string       Name        { get; set; }
    Vector3     Factor      { get; set; }
}
```

## Member

```
{
    //Properties
    AnalysisOrder Type2D        { get; set; }
    bool           IsDummy      { get; set; }
    double         MeshSize     { get; set; }
    double         OrientationAngle { get; set; }
    ElementType   Type1D       { get; set; }
    int            Group        { get; set; }
    int            MemberEnd1   { get; set; }
    int            MemberEnd2   { get; set; }
    int            OrientationNode { get; set; }
    int            Property     { get; set; }
    MemberType    Type         { get; set; }
```

```

Offset      Offset          { get; set; }
string        Name           { get; set; }
string        Topology       { get; set; }
ValueType     Colour         { get; set; }

//Functions
string        Type1DAsString();
string        Type2DAsString();
string        TypeAsString();

}

```

## NodeLoad

```

{
    //Properties
    Direction   Direction    { get; set; }
    double        Value        { get; set; }
    int           AxisProperty { get; set; }
    int           Case         { get; set; }
    string        Name         { get; set; }
    string        Nodes        { get; set; }
}

```

## Node

```

{
    //Properties
    Bool6       Restraint    { get; set; }
    int          AxisProperty { get; set; }
    int          DamperProperty { get; set; }
    int          MassProperty  { get; set; }
    int          SpringProperty { get; set; }
    string        Name         { get; set; }
    ValueType     Colour       { get; set; }
    Vector3     Position     { get; set; }
}

```

## Prop2D

```

{
    //Properties

```

```

    double      Thickness          { get; set; }
    int        AxisProperty       { get; set; }
    int        MaterialAnalysisProperty { get; set; }
    int        MaterialGradeProperty { get; set; }
    MaterialType MaterialType { get; set; }
    Property2D_Type Type { get; set; }
    string     Name              { get; set; }
    ValueType   Colour            { get; set; }

//Functions
    string     MaterialTypeAsString();
    string     TypeAsString();
}

```

## Section

```

{
    //Properties
    double      Area              { get; }
    double      Iyy               { get; }
    double      Iyz               { get; }
    double      Izz               { get; }
    double      J                 { get; }
    double      Ky                { get; }
    double      Kz                { get; }
    double      SurfaceAreaPerLength { get; }
    double      VolumePerLength   { get; }
    int        MaterialAnalysisProperty { get; set; }
    int        MaterialGradeProperty { get; set; }
    int        Pool               { get; set; }
    MaterialType MaterialType { get; set; }
    string     Name              { get; set; }
    string     Profile           { get; set; }
    ValueType   Colour            { get; set; }

//Functions
    string     MaterialTypeAsString();
}

```

## Titles

```
{  
    //Properties  
    string Calculation { get; set; }  
    string Initials { get; set; }  
    string JobNumber { get; set; }  
    string Notes { get; set; }  
    string SubTitle { get; set; }  
    string Title { get; set; }  
}
```

## Result Classes

### AnalysisCaseResult

```
{
    //Properties
    GlobalResult Global { get; }

    //Functions
    //Parameters: positions - can be in the range of 0.0 to 1.0, 0.5 is centre of the
    //element); elementsList is a string to specify the list of elements like "1 to 10",
    //"PB1" or it can be a list name like "roof elements".
    ReadOnlyDictionary<int, Element1DResultElement1DResultElement2DResultElement3DResultNodeResult

```

### GlobalResult

```
{
    //Properties
    double Frequency;
    double LoadFactor;
    double ModalGeometricStiffness;
    double ModalMass;
    double ModalStiffness;
```

---

```

    Double6      TotalLoad;
    Double6      TotalReaction;
    int          Mode;
    Vector3     EffectiveInertia;
    Vector3     EffectiveMass;
}

```

### Element1DResult

```
{
    //Properties
    ReadOnlyCollection<Double6>      Displacement;
    ReadOnlyCollection<Double6>      Force;
    ReadOnlyCollection<double>        StrainEnergyDensity;
    double                          AverageStrainEnergyDensity;
}
```

### Element2DResult

```
{
    //Properties
    ReadOnlyCollection<Double6>  Displacement;
    ReadOnlyCollection<Tensor2>   Force;
    ReadOnlyCollection<Tensor2>   Moment;
    ReadOnlyCollection<Vector2>   Shear;
    ReadOnlyCollection<Tensor3>   Stress;
}
```

### Element3DResult

```
{
    //Properties
    ReadOnlyCollection<Double3>  Displacement;
    ReadOnlyCollection<Tensor3>   Stress;
}
```

### NodeResult

```
{
    //Properties
    Double6 Constraint;
    Double6 Displacement;
```

```
    Double6 Reaction;  
}
```

## Types

### Bool6

```
{  
    //Properties  
    bool X { get; }  
    bool XX { get; }  
    bool Y { get; }  
    bool YY { get; }  
    bool Z { get; }  
    bool ZZ { get; }  
}
```

### Double3

```
{  
    //Properties  
    double X { get; }  
    double Y { get; }  
    double Z { get; }  
}
```

### Double6

```
{  
    //Properties  
    double X { get; }  
    double XX { get; }  
    double Y { get; }  
    double YY { get; }  
    double Z { get; }  
    double ZZ { get; }  
}
```

### Offset

```
{  
    //Properties  
    double X1 { get; set; }  
}
```

```
    double X2 { get; set; }
    double Y { get; set; }
    double Z { get; set; }
}
```

### Vector3

```
{
    //Properties
    double X { get; set; }
    double Y { get; set; }
    double Z { get; set; }
}
```

### Vector2

```
{
    //Properties
    double X { get; }
    double Y { get; }
}
```

### Tensor2

```
{
    //Properties
    double XX { get; }
    double XY { get; }
    double YX { get; }
    double YY { get; }
}
```

### Tensor3

```
{
    //Properties
    double XX { get; }
    double XY { get; }
    double YY { get; }
    double YZ { get; }
```

```
    double ZX { get; }
    double ZZ { get; }
}
```

## Enums

### AnalysisOrder

```
{  
    LINEAR = 0,  
    PARABOLIC = 1,  
    RIGID_DIAPHRAGM = 2  
}
```

### AxisType

```
{  
    OASYS_DATA_AXISTYPE_ENUMS = 0  
}
```

### BeamLoadType

```
{  
    UNDEF = 0,  
    POINT = 1,  
    UNIFORM = 2,  
    LINEAR = 3,  
    PATCH = 4,  
    TRILINEAR = 5  
}
```

### Direction

```
{  
    NONE = 0,  
    X = 1,  
    Y = 2,  
    Z = 3,  
    XX = 4,  
    YY = 5,  
    ZZ = 6,  
    XY = 7,  
    YZ = 8,  
    ZX = 9,  
}
```

```
YX = 10,  
ZY = 11,  
XZ = 12  
}
```

## ElementType

```
{  
    NEW = -1,  
    UNDEF = 0,  
    FIRST_TYPE = 1,  
    BAR = 1,  
    BEAM = 2,  
    SPRING = 3,  
    MASS = 4,  
    QUAD4 = 5,  
    QUAD8 = 6,  
    TRI3 = 7,  
    TRI6 = 8,  
    LINK = 9,  
    CABLE = 10,  
    TAPER_BEAM = 11,  
    BRICK8 = 12,  
    GRD_SPRING = 18,  
    SPACER = 19,  
    STRUT = 20,  
    TIE = 21,  
    BEAM3 = 22,  
    ROD = 23,  
    DAMPER = 24,  
    GRD_DAMPER = 25,  
    LAST_TYPE = 25,  
    ZERO_D = 100,  
    ONE_D = 101,  
    TWO_D = 102,  
    THREE_D = 103,  
    ONE_D_SECT = 104,  
    TWO_D_FE = 105,  
    TWO_D_WALL = 106,  
    TWO_D_LOAD = 107  
}
```

**FaceLoadType**

```
{  
    UNDEF = 0,  
    CONSTANT = 1,  
    GENERAL = 2,  
    POINT = 3  
}
```

**MaterialType**

```
{  
    UNDEF = -2,  
    NONE = -1,  
    GENERIC = 0,  
    STEEL = 1,  
    FIRST = 1,  
    CONCRETE = 2,  
    ALUMINIUM = 3,  
    GLASS = 4,  
    FRP = 5,  
    REBAR = 6,  
    TIMBER = 7,  
    FABRIC = 8,  
    SOIL = 9,  
    NUM_MT = 10,  
    COMPOUND = 256,  
    BAR = 4096,  
    TENDON = 4352,  
    FRPBAR = 4608,  
    CFRP = 4864,  
    GFRP = 5120,  
    AFRP = 5376,  
    ARGFRP = 5632,  
    BARMAT = 65280  
}
```

**MemberType**

{

---

```

UNDEF = -1,
GENERIC_1D = 0,
GENERIC_2D = 1,
BEAM = 2,
COLUMN = 3,
SLAB = 4,
WALL = 5,
CANTILEVER = 6,
RIBSLAB = 7,
COMPOS = 8,
PILE = 9,
EXPLICIT = 10,
VOID_CUTTER_1D = 11,
VOID_CUTTER_2D = 12
}

```

## NodeLoadType

```
{
    NODE_LOAD = 0,
    APPLIED_DISP = 1,
    SETTLEMENT = 2,
    NUM_TYPES = 3
}
```

## Property2D\_Type

```
{
    UNDEF = 0,
    PL_STRESS = 1,
    PL_STRAIN = 2,
    AXISYMMETRIC = 3,
    FABRIC = 4,
    PLATE = 5,
    SHELL = 6,
    CURVED_SHELL = 7,
    TORSION = 8,
    WALL = 9,
    LOAD = 10
}
```

## ReturnValue

```
{  
    GS_OK = 0,  
    GS_FILE_OPEN_ERROR = 1,  
    GS_NO_RESULTS = 2,  
    GS_NO_DATA_FOUND = 3,  
    GS_FILE_SAVE_FAILED = 4,  
    GS_UNSUPPORTED_FILE_FORMAT = 5,  
    GS_SECTION_DB_MISSING = 6,  
    GS_APPLICATION_AVF_MISSING = 7,  
    GS_UNSUPPORTED_ANALYSIS_TASK_TYPE = 8,  
    GS_ANALYSIS_TASK_DOESNT_EXIST = 9  
}
```

## Miscellaneous

API to be initiated before the coding and to be terminated after the API calls. Currently it is user's responsibility to call the functions. It will be automated in future versions of the API.

### Control

```
{
    static void InitiateAPI();
    static void TerminateAPI();
}
```

Data classes that are derived from SidAbility can get Sid string and set Sid tag to the data record. Axis, BeamLoad, Element, FaceLoad, GravityLoad, Member, Node, NodeLoad, Prop2D and Section objects can handle the Sid. Please refer GSA help file for more information about Sid.

### SidAbility

```
{
    string      Sid { get; }
    void       SetSidTag(string tag, string value);
}
```

### GsaApiException

```
{
    //Derived from System.Exception with the following additional properties
    string          ExtraInformation { get; }
    ApiExceptionCode Code { get; }
}
```

### ApiExceptionCode

```
{
    GS_EX_GENERIC = 0,
    GS_EX_NO_OPENFILE = 1,
    GS_EX_INVALID_FILE_EXTENSION = 2,
    GS_EX_UNSUPPORTED_NODE_TYPE = 3,
    GS_EX_APPLICATION_AVF_MISSING = 4,
    GS_EX_SECTION_DB_MISSING = 5,
    GS_EX_UNSUPPORTED_ANALYSIS_TASK_TYPE = 6,
```

```
GS_EX_ANALYSIS_TASK_DOESNT_EXIST = 7,  
GS_EX_API_EXPIRED = 8  
}
```

## Screen Shot: “Path” System Environment Variable

1. Go to Control Panel
2. Click System
3. On left hand pane click “Advanced system settings”
4. Make sure that the Advanced tab of system properties dialog is in view
5. Click “Environmental variables...” button
6. Go to System variable section (variable in bottom pane)
7. Open Path variable and add the path as shown in the following image

**Note:** If the permissions are not enough to update “system variables”, please update “Path” from “User variables”.

