

PLMJobManager – NXPartUpdate

Updating NX-Parts with Teamcenter environment

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Introduction

What is PartUpdate ?

At any new version of NX, there are new functionality and modules. This causes changes of the data model.

When opening a Part-file, there is a check in which version it was saved.

When the saved version is older than the current one, NX is converting the data model inside the Part-file. – This is called PartUpdate

Why PartUpdate?

From our development... we are able to open Part-files from Version 12.

Therefore we do not need a PartUpdate?

When working with Teamcenter, we do not have write access to loaded or PartUpdated parts.

Why do we have no write access?

- Part i owned by a different group
- Part is released
- Part has a different owning site

Parts from a prior NX-version get a modification flag after loading. If we PartUpdate the Parts during open, it will increase the loading time. Without write access, we do a PartUpdate every time, when opening a part or assembly.

Part is from an „old“ project ... does anybody know the NX-Version at that time? ... does anybody know that there are „old“ projects?

To have a clean NX-Environment, it is necessary to PartUpdate all Partfiles automatically and securely with the part_utility.exe tool.

Project Phase

■ **Phase 1 – Analysis**

- How many Datasets/Parts
- Analyse the environment (Precise/Imprecise, Loadoptions, Reference-Sets, Release status ...)
- Analyse and Setup the PartUpdate-Methods (order, settings and parameters)
- Check of disk space
- Clone the productive environment and Tests ...

■ **Phase 2 – Preparation and Test**

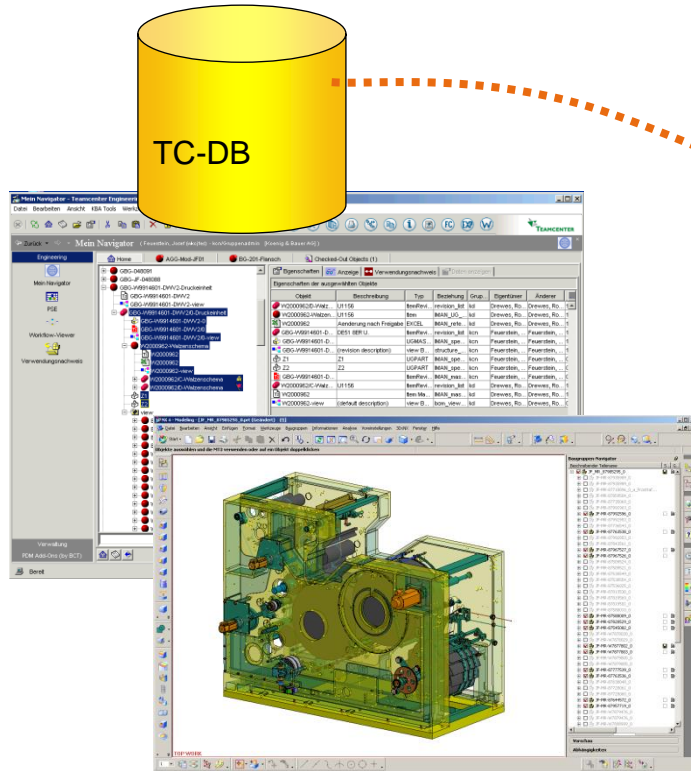
- PlmJobManager-OS-User and TC-User setup
- Check assemblies
- Access via Remote Desktop Connection or VNC
- Installation PlmJobManager -Manager-Tool (Server + Clients)
- Import PlmJobManager-Database from TCEng.
- Define Datapackage and Order for the PlmJobManager
- Define available Timeframes (day, night, take care of backup times)
- Check-Out Objects ... check them in, or mark them.
- Run PartUpdate-Tests
- Run CheckBox

■ **Phase 3 – Performing**

- Update the PlmJobManager-Database
- Explicit Check-Out Objects / User reference in a folder
- Check-Out Objects → prepare a Check In
- Run a Clearlocks
- Backup the Data
- PartUpdate-Packages at the PlmJobManager-Clients
- Analyse the PlmJobManager-Database
- Analyse the error PartUpdate-Parts
- Analyse the PartUpdate results ... create reports from the PlmJobManager

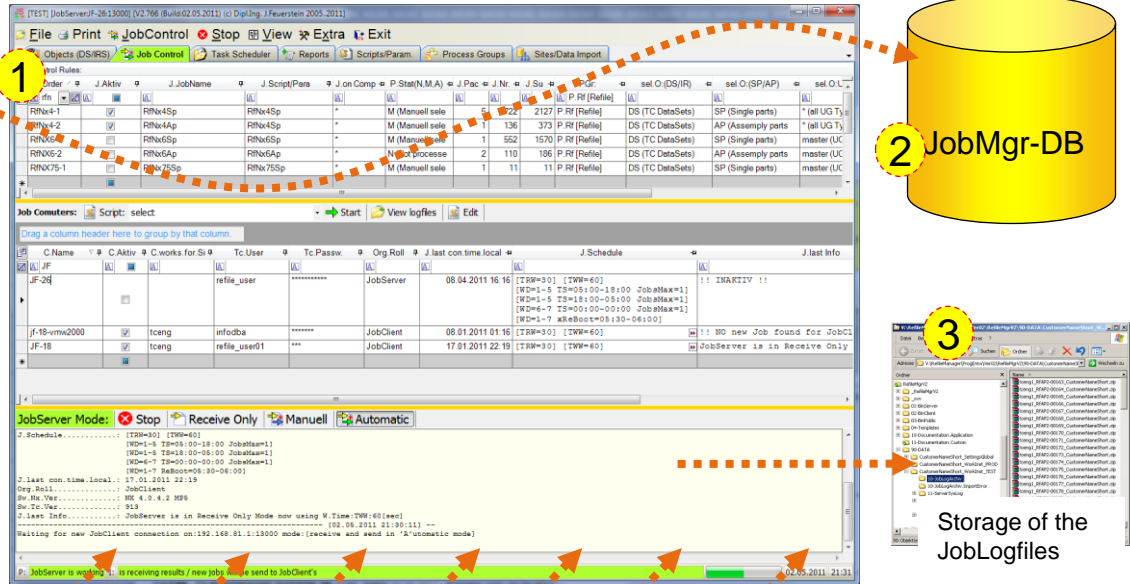
Chart Overview “Basic functionality” PLMJobManager

Teamcenter and NX environment



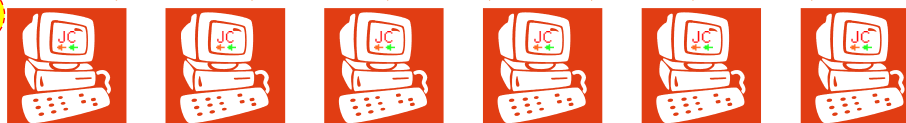
PLMJobManager environment

All the jobs are administered by the JobServer. Furthermore, the JobServer controls the associated database (DB) (2) and manages the results of the jobs. The related log files are stored on a file server (3).



JobServer (1) Controls JobClients (4)

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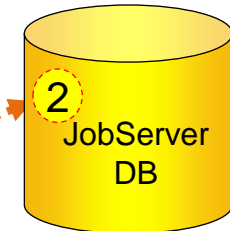
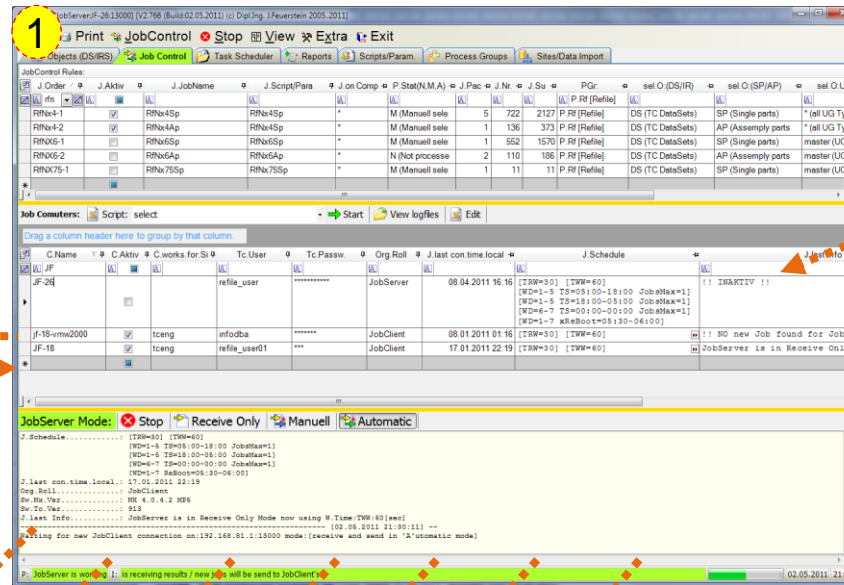


Working with the JobServer: Job Control

The JobServer (1) will be located at one of your locations. It organizes the JobServer-DB (2) organizes all Job Clients (3) and storage of the PartUpdate results. (4)



Procedure of the processing:
The JobClients (5) are connecting to the JobServer (1) and receiving a PartUpdate Job (packet) (6). The JobClient hands over the Results to the JobServer (7).



The JobServer organizing the received JobLogfiles

Coordination of the JobClient's

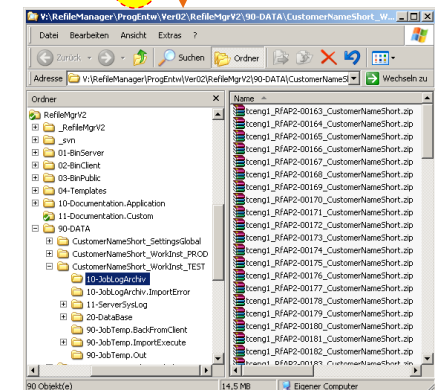
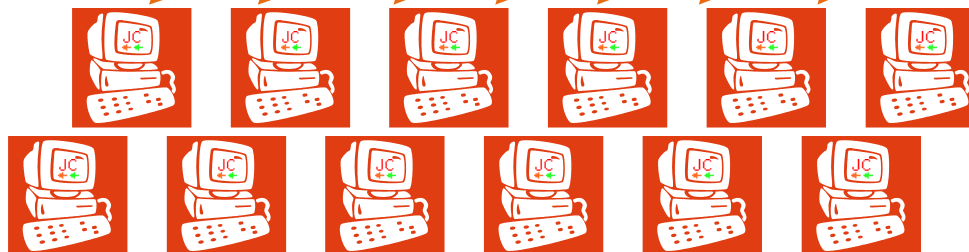
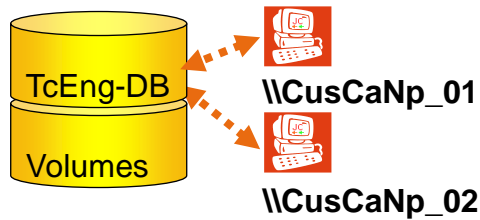


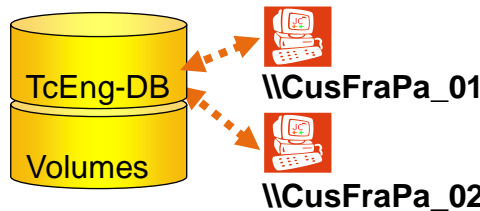
Chart Overview “Multisite environment”

Sites

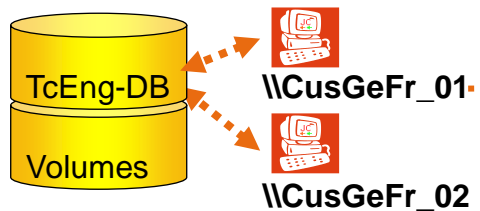
Site: USA
Location: Newport, California



Site: Europe1
Location: Paris, France



Site: Europe2
Location: Frankfurt, Germany



JobServer and NXPartUpdate environment

The JobServer will be located at one of your locations. From all sites the IR Lists for NX-PartUpdate will be imported to the JobServer Database

JobServer V2.31 (Build:09.02.2008) [WorkInst.:TEST] [JobServer:JF-18:13000] [©Dipl.Ing. J.Feuerstein]

File Print Job's Stop View Extra Exit

Items Rf. Job Control Reports Scripts/Param. Sites/Data Import

Or	JobName	Job description	Aktiv	valid on site	Job Script/Para	MultiSite Objects	Packet IRs si
01	RfSpOwningParts	Refille Single Parts from Owning Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	All Sites(*)	RfSp	S_Obj	
02	RfSpRemoteParts	Refille Single Parts from Remote Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	All Sites(*)	RfSp	Remote Obj. only	
03	RfApOwningParts	Refille Assembly Parts from Owning Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	All Sites(*)	RfAp	S_Obj	
04	RfApRemoteParts	Refille Assembly Parts from Remote Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	All Sites(*)	RfAp	Remote Obj. only	
*			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

Job Computers: Script: select Start View logfiles Edit

Drag a column header here to group by that column.

Computer Na	Aktiv	work for Site	ComputerAssign	Schedule	Job.Info
CusCaNp_01	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CusCaNP	JobClient	[TRW=4] [TWW=15] [WD=* TS=17:30-05:30]	aktive
CusCaNp_02	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CusCaNP	JobClient	[TRW=4] [TWW=15] [WD=* TS=17:30-05:30]	aktive
CusFraPa_01	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CusFraPa	JobClient	[TRW=4] [TWW=15] [WD=* TS=17:30-05:30]	aktive
CusFraPa_02	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CusFraPa	JobClient	[TRW=4] [TWW=15] [WD=* TS=17:30-05:30]	aktive
CusGeFr_01	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CusGeFr	JobClient	[TRW=4] [TWW=15] [WD=* TS=17:30-05:30]	aktive
CusGeFr_02	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CusGeFr	JobClient	[TRW=4] [TWW=15] [WD=* TS=17:30-05:30]	aktive
*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

Set Server Mode Stop Receive Only Obj.with Status:M (Manuell) Obj.with Status:N (Not Pro

```

SiteId      : CusCaNP
Node Name   : CusCaNP_01 (Mem:1023Mb)
Node NX Version : v4.0.3.3
Node TCE Version : 913
RefilleJob.Log : _RefilleJob.LOG
Refille IR list : CusCaNP_RfSp-00006_CustomerNameShort_ObjectsList.txt
Refille comands : -keep_volume=yes -update_mod_props=no -non_masters=yes -refile_released=yes -bypass=yes

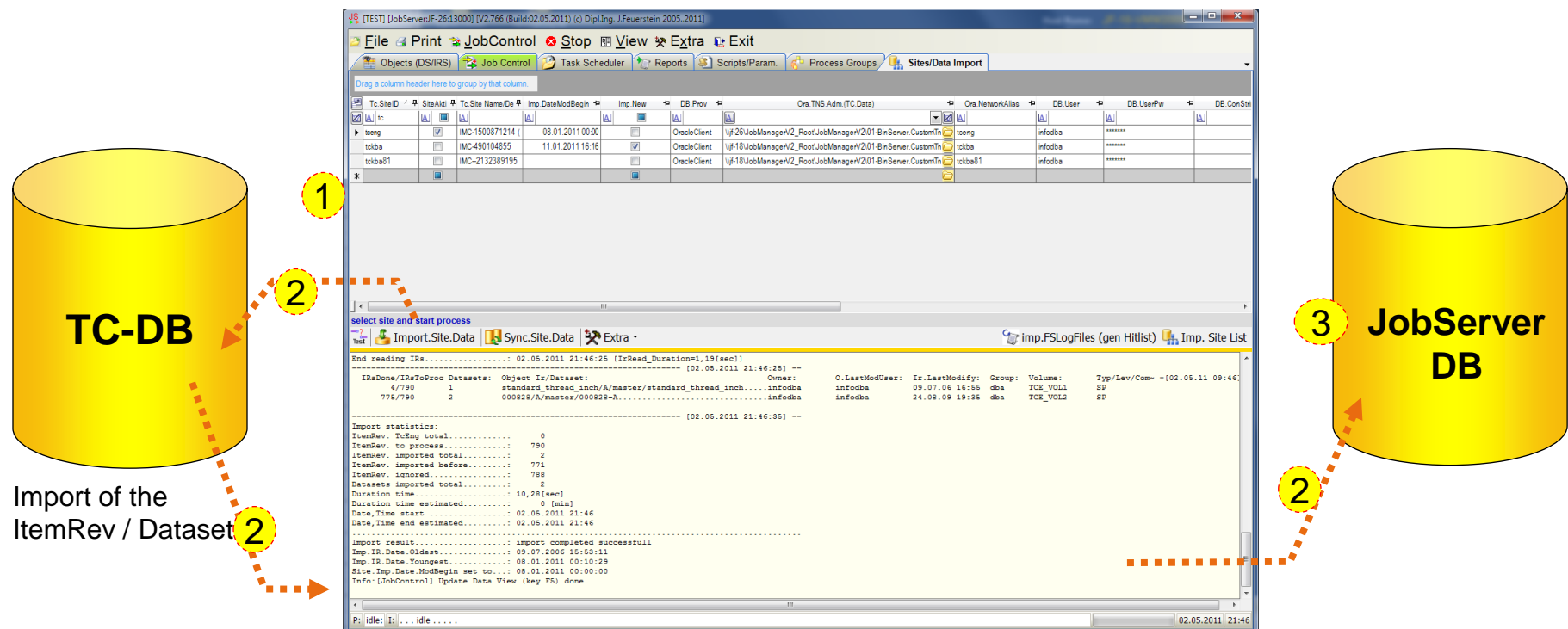
Site:      ItemNameRev:      DataSetName:      DataSetType:      ErrCode:      Process Time Start:
CusCaNP    000128/A          000128/A          master           0             18.02.2008 14:12:43

process: ..idle ... state: ..idle ...
    
```

JobManager Database

Load the data into the PLMJobManager

- In the JobServer we setup all customer Sites (1)
- Import all ItemRev and Datasets into the JobServer-DB (2).
- This is the content of the JobServer-DB (3) and they are the database for the Job Process



Setup and control of the PartUpdate options and scripts

The setup and control of the NX-PartUpdate Parameter **(2)** is done inside the JobServer **(1)**. Also the needed scripts **(3)** and the NX-PartUpdate setup **(4)** will be organized there.

Benefit:

- ✓ Easy administration of all NX-PartUpdate parameters. **(2)**
- ✓ Clear organization of the scripts **(3)** and setups **(4)**

The screenshot displays the RefileManager V2.2 interface with three main components highlighted by numbered circles:

- 1**: The **Job Scripts and Parameters** tab in the main window, showing a list of job scripts and their parameters.
- 2**: The **Setup refile parameters** dialog box, which allows configuring various options for the refile process. The dialog includes a table of options and a preview of the resulting command line.
- 3**: The **RefileNX4.Cmd** script file, which contains the actual commands for the refile process, including setting environment variables and executing the refile program.
- 4**: The **Order** pane in the bottom right, showing the file structure of the project, including the **RefileNX4** folder and its subfolders.

The **Setup refile parameters** dialog box contains the following table of options:

Use	Option	Value	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-keep_volume=	yes	<yes/no> use original volume for refilled parts
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-update_mod_props=	no	<yes/no> update last modifying user/date on dataset
<input type="checkbox"/>	-drawing=	no	<yes/no> all views in drawings will be updated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-non_masters=	yes	<yes/no> automatically refile non-master parts
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-refile_released=	yes	<yes/no> refile parts with release status
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-bypass=	yes	<yes/no> use bypass privilege if necessary
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-structure_sync=	no	<no/force> synchronize structures during refile
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-force_structure_sync=	no	<yes/no> force synchronize structures during refile as requested by -structure_sync=
<input type="checkbox"/>	-y		Fully load assembly, and refills components that are not at the current version of NX
<input type="checkbox"/>	-force_refile		Used with the -y switch to force all components to be refilled.
<input type="checkbox"/>	-transforms_source=		<from_imanfrom_ug> source of transforms if different from -structure_sync argument
<input type="checkbox"/>	-generate_trueshape=	no	<yes/no> generate True Shape occupancy data without refilling parts
<input type="checkbox"/>	-record_part_data=	no	<yes/no> record part data (Bounding Box, Mass Properties) without refilling parts
<input type="checkbox"/>	-record_altrp_notes=	no	<yes/no> record AltRep occurrence notes (temporary option) without refilling parts

The **RefileNX4.Cmd** script file contains the following code:

```
set run_refile=%refile_program_exe_DPNE% %JobParameter% -i=%RefilePaket_Di
set TceUserPassword=

if exist "%TCEPromtCmd%" Echo TcePromt Ok: "%TCEPromtCmd%"
if exist "%refile_program_exe_DPNE%" Echo RefileProg Ok: "%refile_program_

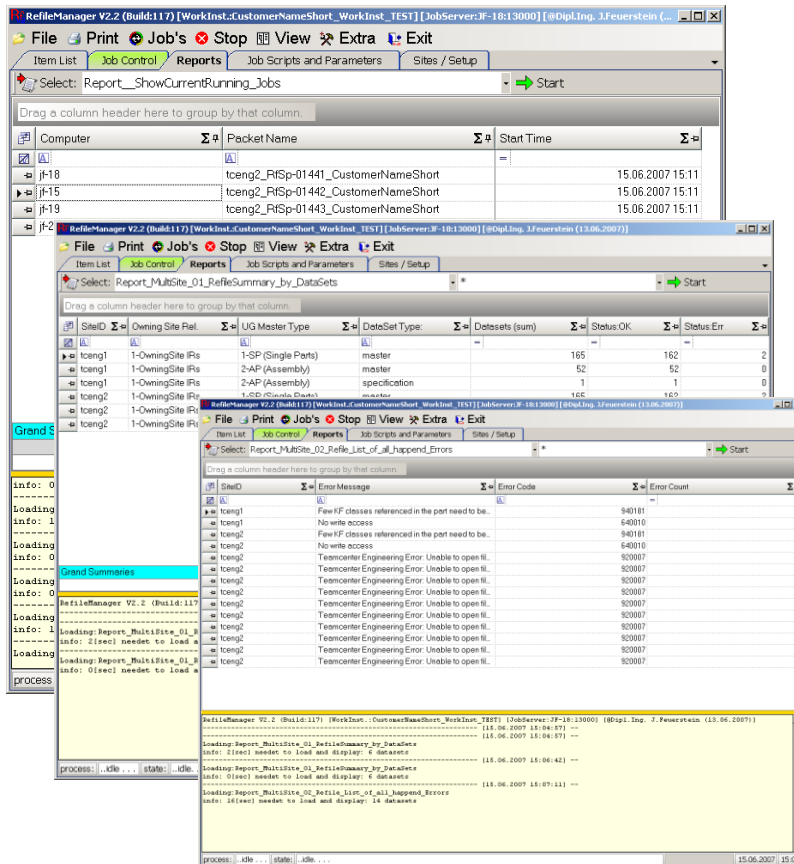
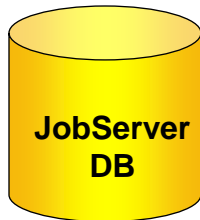
if exist "%refile_program_exe_DPNE%" if exist "%TCEPromtCmd%" goto StartRe
goto StartRefileError

:StartRefileOk
set title_str=RefileJob: [%JobName%] [%TceSiteId%] [Start:%Date%/%time%:-0,6
title %title_str%
Echo %title_str%
Echo -----
Echo RefileJob Info:
Echo JobName : %JobName%
Echo Computer : %ComputerName%
Echo RefileDir : %temp%
Echo TceSide : %TceSiteId%
Echo TceUser : %TceUser%
Echo.
Echo RefileOpt : %JobParameter%:-0,65%
Echo Sta
Echo.
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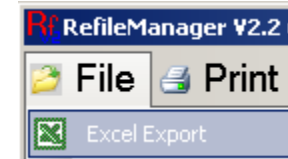
Working with the JobServer: Reports

Reporting functionality:

- Monitoring of the JobClient processes
- Analysis of the PartUpdate-Logfiles



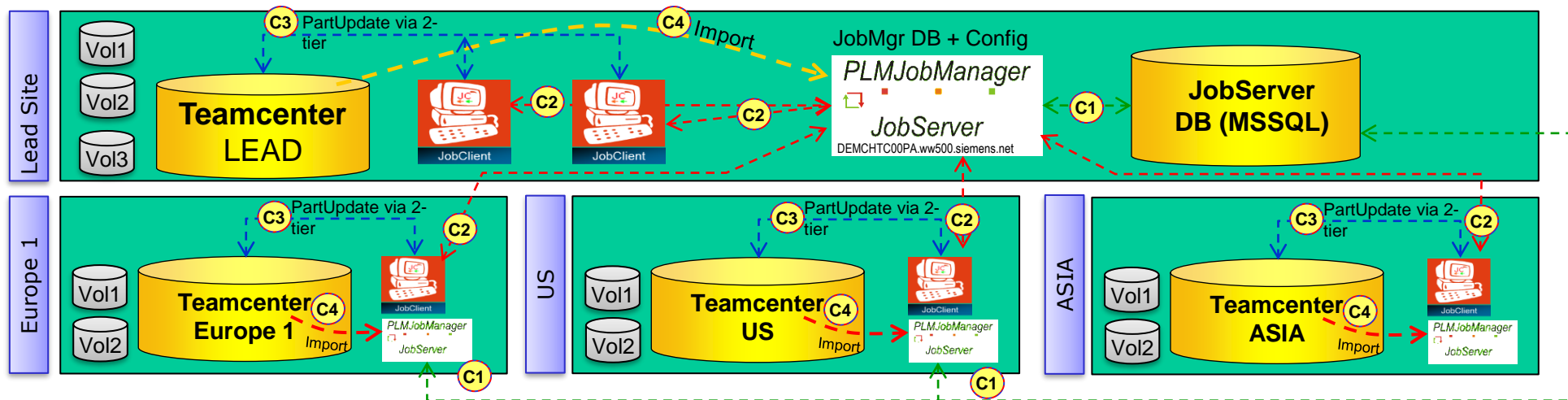
The **Excel Export** functionality allows you to easily store all needed data for further own calculations.



Use the clipboard (copy/paste) functionality if some data is needed in your own documents.

SiteID	Owning Site Rel.	UG Master Type	DataSet Type:	Datasets	Status: OK	Status: Err
10	1ceng2	1-OwnSite (Rs)	1-SP (Single Parts)	master	165	165
11	1ceng2	1-OwnSite (Rs)	2-AP (Assembly)	master	18	17
12	1ceng2	1-OwnSite (Rs)	2-AP (Assembly)	specification	1	1
13			Sum	184	183	1
14					99,46%	0,54%

System Sketch TC + JobManager



Nr	Description	Connect via:
C1	communication JobServer MS-SQL	TCP:1433 UDP: 1434
C2	communication JobClient – JobServer	Port:13000 / 13001
C3	part_utility.exe (2-tier)	Handel by IT
C4	Import Meta Data from TC Db	Uses TnsNames.ora like (C3)

System prerequisite

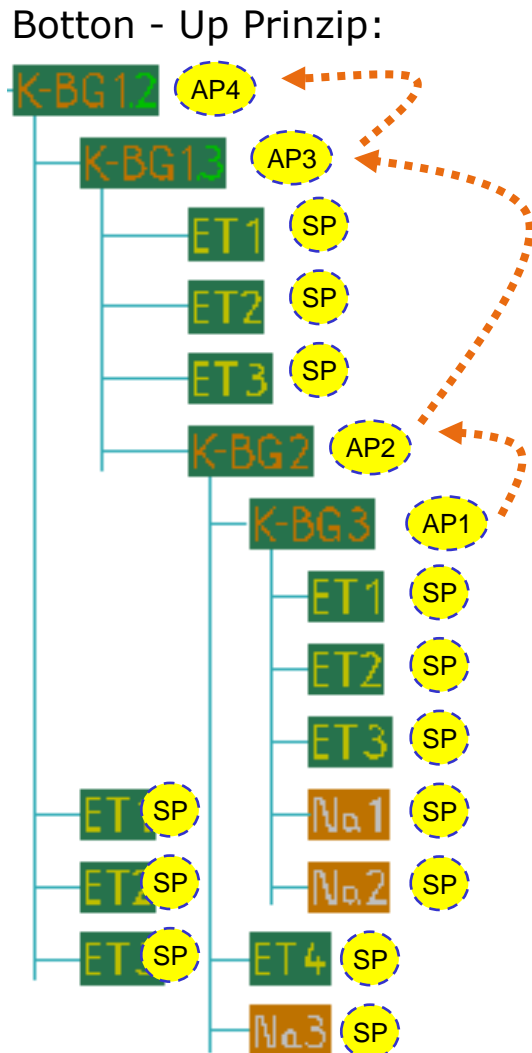
1. Teamcenter inc. all Volumes Data
2. The Volumes need to have +1/3 free disk space
Example.: fpr 100 GB NX Data we need 33 GB of free disc space
3. Oracle Read Only User reading data from TC. Database.
4. TC PartUpdate User with DBA right
5. TC PartUpdate User mast have read write right's on all Volumes
6. Script to get TC Prompt.
7. JobClients with TC 2Tier client and NX in the correct version
8. Remote Access to NX PartUpdate JobClient's
9. 600 MB of Network disk space for PLMJobmanager Software Installation and configuration
10. ~1 GB Network diskpace for JobProcess Logfiles for each 250.000 Parts to PartUpdate

How to PartUpdate?

For a optimum PartUpdate Result we defined the following Steps for convert mating conditions:

- Step 1: Pu. Last Used Singelpart's
- Step 2: Pu. Last Used Assembly Part`s → Base PartUpdate
- Step 3: Pu. Last Used Assembly Part`s → -convert_mcs
- Step 4: Pu. Remaining Singelpart's
- Step 5: Pu. Remaining Assembly Part`s → Base PartUpdate
- Step 6: Pu. Remaining Assembly Part`s → -convert_mcs
- Step 7: Generate Result Report

During PartUpdate Process and specially between the PartUpdate Steps it is recommended to Analyze the PartUpdate Results.



The Part-Update of the Nx Data should be done via Bottom-Up Principe.

The advance is that the Update of Assembly is systematic processed from Bottom Up. It reduces the update time and improves the final Data quality

Therefore the Parts and Processed in this order:

- **First all = Single Part's (SP)**
- **All Assembly's (AP) started with the lowest mound of levels and components.**

AP1	has 1 Level	5 Component
AP2	has 2 Level's	8 Component
AP3	has 3 Level's	12 Component
AP4	has 4 Level's	16 Component

NX-PartUpdate with the *PLMJobManager*

It supports and optimizes the upgrade to a higher NX-Version within a unique procedural method.

The following methods are supported from the PLMJobManager:

- ✓ processing sequence of the NX Partfiles:
 - Single Parts → recent parts at first, older parts at last
 - Assemblies → with the „Button Up“ principle
(Button Up = dependent of the amount of components, from button to top)
- ✓ Adjustments for processing sequence i.e. volumes, groups, projects etc...
- ✓ Analysis of the PartUpdate-Logfiles for Status, error messages, warnings, etc..
- ✓ Storage of the Client NX-PartUpdate-Logfiles.
- ✓ Central control of the PartUpdate processes in a Multisite environment

Benefits Doing PartUpdate

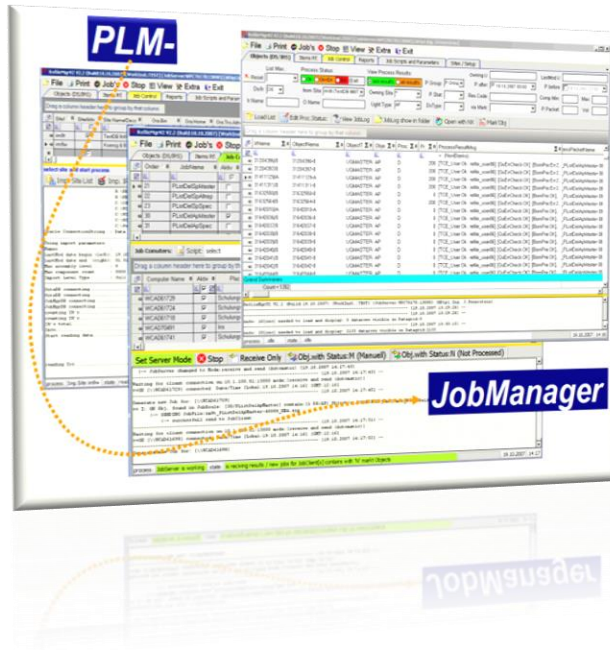
- ✓ After PartUpdate all NX Data are saved in new NX Version
→ Designers working with homogeneous NX Dataversions
- ✓ Released and Partfamily Members will be saved in new Version
→ Designers cannot save them interactive.
- ✓ NX Multisite - Replica Data will also be saved in new Version
→ Designers cannot save them interactive.
- ✓ With PartUpdate you can convert Mating Conditions to assembly constraints.
→ Less work for designers
- ✓ PartUpdate creates all lightweight representations
→ all parts have then lightweight representations
- ✓ Improvement on loading Parts and Assembly's
→ because no conversion is needed during load process.

Benefits of a NX-PartUpdate with the PLMJobManager:

The PLMJobManager organizes the conversion of the NX-Data with the NX-PartUpdate utility inside a Teamcenter environment.

- ✓ Unique setup and control of the PartUpdate-Options and Processes.
- ✓ Distribution of the PartUpdate process to multiple computer-clients. (Less PartUpdate process time)
- ✓ Running multiple processes on PartUpdate Client (max. usage of a Client)
- ✓ Avoid „multiple“ PartUpdate of NX-Parts.
- ✓ TC Single and Multisite is supported
- ✓ Process Monitoring Result validation and logging of PartUpdate processes
- ✓ Easy Result Reporting is integrated in JobManager.

System requirements



JobServer:

- Win10 64 bit
- Win Server 2008 - 2016 64 bit
- SQL Database for JobServer Application



JobClient:

- Win10 64 bit
- WinServer 2008 - 2019 64 bit
- with full NX-2tier and TC installation

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