



DOORS Project Jumpstart

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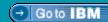
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Agenda

- Ad Hoc Project Start-Up
- Structured Project Template
- Elements of a Productive Project Template
 - Pre-defined Schema
 - Pre-defined Link Strategy, Link Management, and Link Enforcement
 - Pre-defined Document Framework
 - Pre-defined Attributes and Attribute Types
 - Pre-defined Views
 - Baselines and Baseline Sets
 - Report Generation using RPE
- Infrastructure for enterprise access to DXL scripts
 - Central script repository
- Requirements Management Plan
- Summary and Checklist
- Demo













How Do YOU Begin A Project in DOORS?

How did you decide:

- What requirement documents to include in DOORS
 - User? System? Subsystem? Component?
- What validation and verification documents to include in DOORS
 - User Validation? System Verification? Subsystem Verification? Component Verification?
 - Test results?
- What other documents to include in DOORS
- What document/module naming convention to use
- How each document should be organized
- What link convention to use
 - Top down? Bottom up?
- Which link module each linkset should reside in
- How to communicate above decisions to rest of project team













What If...

- All of those decisions were already made for you by your process experts and DOORS experts
 - Leveraging lessons learned on previous projects
- Your team was able to open a project in DOORS where the start-up infrastructure was waiting for you
 - Named and organized correctly
 - Set up to enforce allowed links and in correct link direction
 - Set up to disallow links in the wrong direction and to wrong modules
 - Your team could immediately begin capturing/flowing down/linking requirements and tests



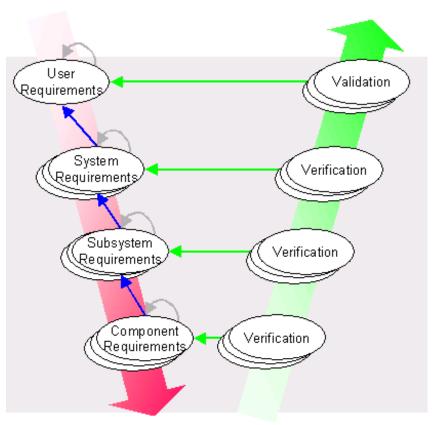








Project Template - Schema



- Left side reflects requirements flowdown from the highest level at the top
- Right side reflects tests for compliance to requirements
- Lines reflect directional links
- Link color coding reflects link categories (requirements, tests, etc.)
 - Link categories placed into separate link modules
 - Facilitates accurate traceability











Requirement links

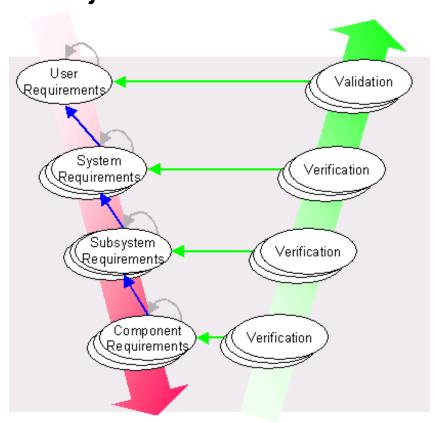
Test links

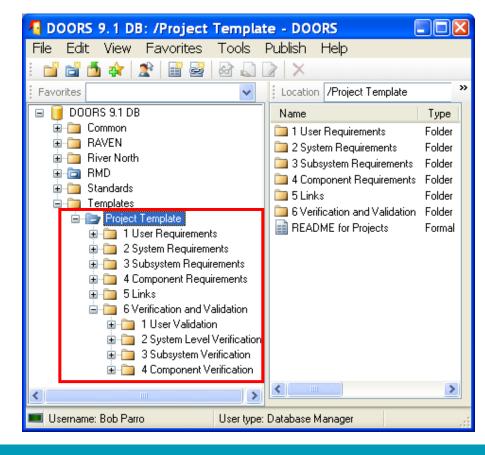
Read/modify access



Project Template – Schema Implementation in DOORS

 Restore archived Project Template to DOORS' project workspace area, rename Project Template to Project Name









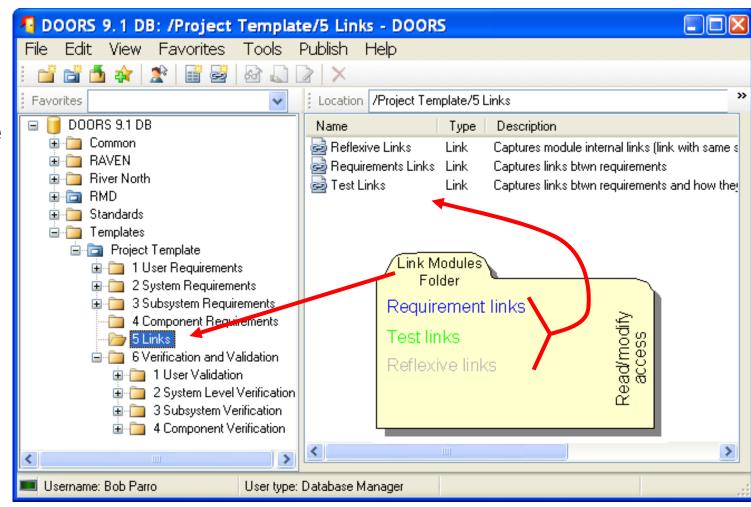






Project Template – Link Strategy/Architecture

- All link modules placed into single 'Links' folder
- Simplifies link management









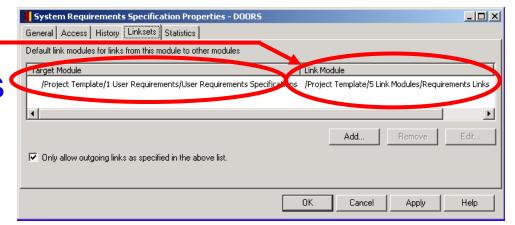


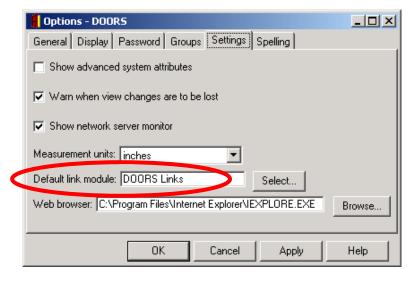




Default DOORS Link Strategy 101

- If no link module preference defined forpairs of formal modules (via File->Module Properties..., Linksets tab) – example shows preference defined
- User Default Link
 Module is used
 (DOORS Explorer,
 Tools->Options,
 Settings tab) as
 container of linkset











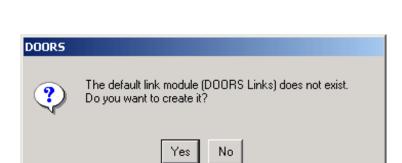




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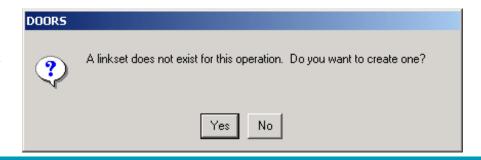
- Precondition: User has not defined link module preference for Source/Target module pair
- Precondition: User has not altered the 'User Default Link Module' default, which is 'DOORS Links'
- First link attempt between module pair results in prompt to user



General Access History Linksets Statistics

Only allow outgoing links as specified in the above lis

'Yes' results in 2nd prompt to user









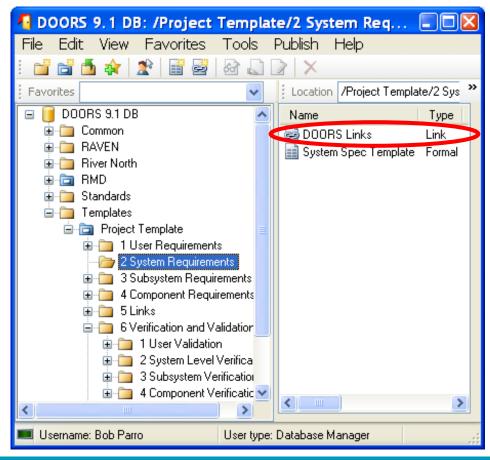






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Common Use Case - Result:

- ▶ Each individual DOORS folder and project contain a 'DOORS Links' link module, each containing one or more linksets
- Majority of project's linksets reside in 'DOORS Links' link modules
- Requirements-only traceability impossible to show
- ▶ Test-only traceability impossible to show, etc.
- Traceability includes all categories of links, inhibiting role-specific view of data
- Requirement links distributed over multiple link modules, reducing likelihood of accurate traceability reports
- Same for all link categories (Test, etc.)





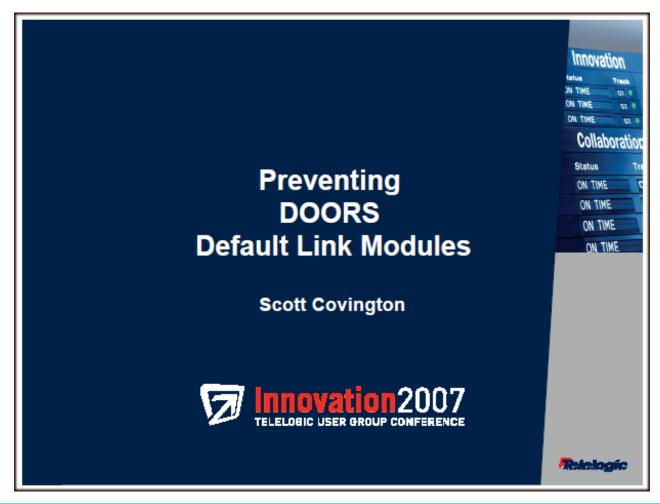






Link management – Thwarting DOORS default link module behavior

Credit: Hamilton Sundstrand's Scott Covington









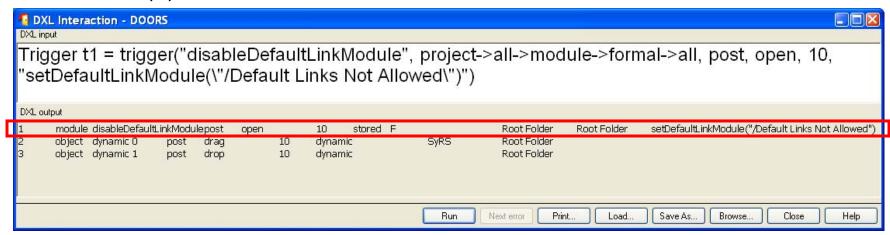






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- Implemented via persistent DXL database trigger
 - Triggers every time a formal module is opened
 - ▶ If link strategy not already implemented in module...
 - Sets default link module to illegal location (database root)
 - Uses link module name reflecting why default link module does not work…'/Default Links Not Allowed'
 - Trigger t1 = trigger("disableDefaultLinkModule", project->all->module->formal->all, post, open, 10,"setDefaultLinkModule(\"/Default Links Not Allowed\")")







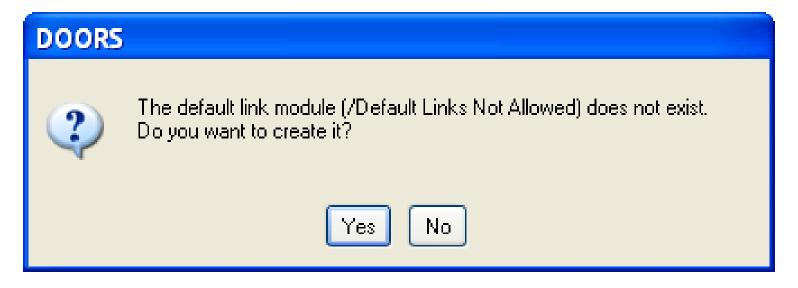






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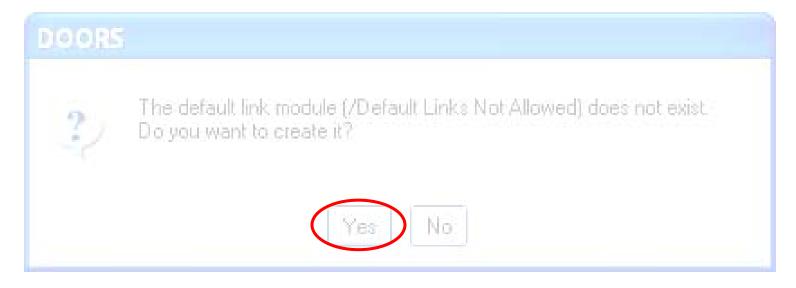


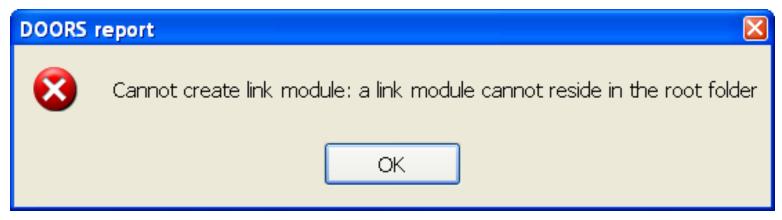




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Default link module solution – Benefits

- Simple, elegant solution
- Prevents users from inadvertently 'flinging' link modules and linksets all over project
- Works in any database with no a priori knowledge
- Existing links unaffected
- Prevents creation of new links through default link modules
- Prevents creation of new default link modules
- Requires no user training
- Simple to implement
- Foolproof
- Works regardless of how people enter the database
- Inconvenient to work around











Default link module solution – Downsides

- Foolproof ... not tamperproof
- Trigger will cause modules to open slightly slower
- Existing tools relying on the default link module will be disabled
- Existing links unaffected ... does not cure existing problems
- It would not be obvious if the trigger stopped working for some reason











DOORS Project Jumpstart Checklist

→ Prevent default DOORS link module behavior









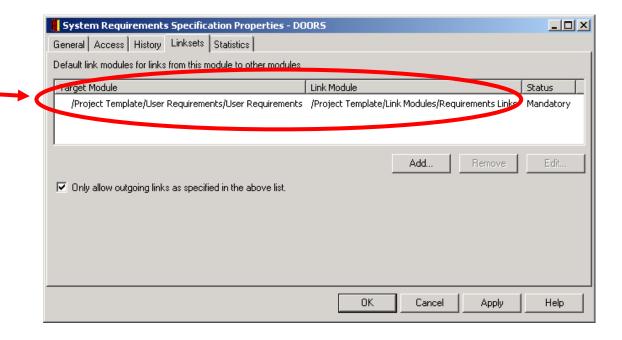




Project Template - Link Management and Enforcement

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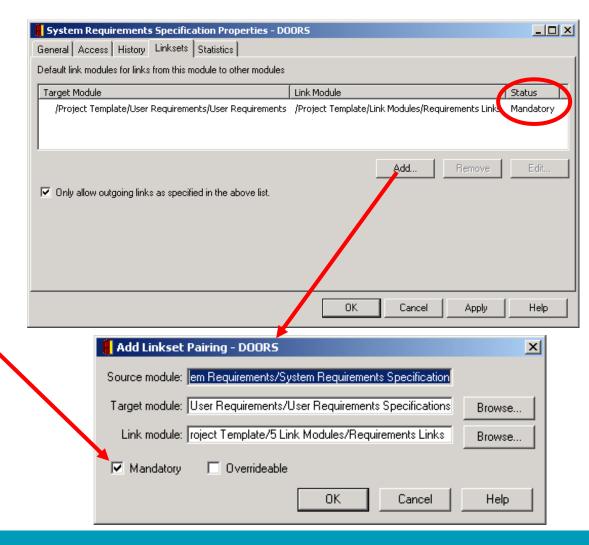




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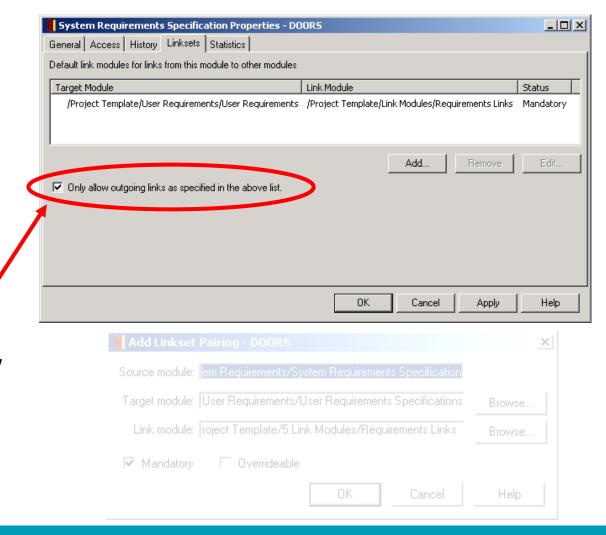






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 - Define link module preferences for Source/Target module pairs
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- Enforcement –/
 check 'Only allow
 outgoing links as
 specified in the
 above list' box















Enforcement Encourages Correct Linking

 Window below is displayed to users that try to create disallowed links



- Increases likelihood of accurate traceability reports for
 - Impact-of-change analysis
 - Gap analysis
 - Scope creep analysis
 - Traceability analysis













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- → Develop/enforce link strategy













Access Rights

- By project roles/groups
- Groups security hole
- Views
- Attributes/Types













Access Rights by Project Role

Project roles associated to 'Groups'



GROUPS	Database	Project	Requirement	Reviewer	Everyone
ITEMS	Admin	Admin	Author	Keviewei	Else
Database	RMCDA	R	R	R	R/None
Folders of Projects	RMCDA	R	R	R	R/None
Projects	RMCDA	RC(MDA)	R	R	R/None
Folders of Modules	RMCDA	RMCDA	R	R	R/None
Formal Modules	RMCDA	RMCDA	RC(MD)	RC(MD)	R/None
Objects	RMCDA	RMCDA	RCMD	RCMD	R/None
Protected Views	RMCDA	RMCDA	R	R	R/None
Attribute/Type Definitions	RMCDA	RMCDA	R	R	R/None
Link Modules	RMCDA	RMC	RM	RM	R/None











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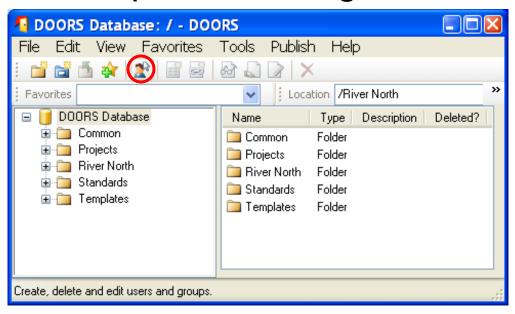












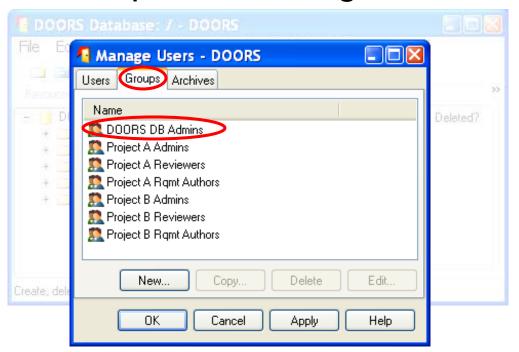














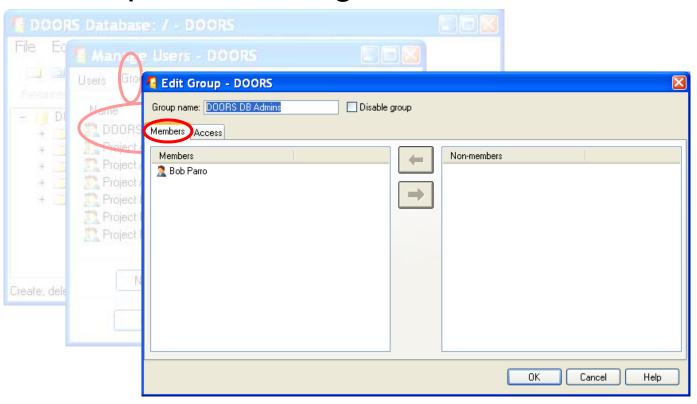












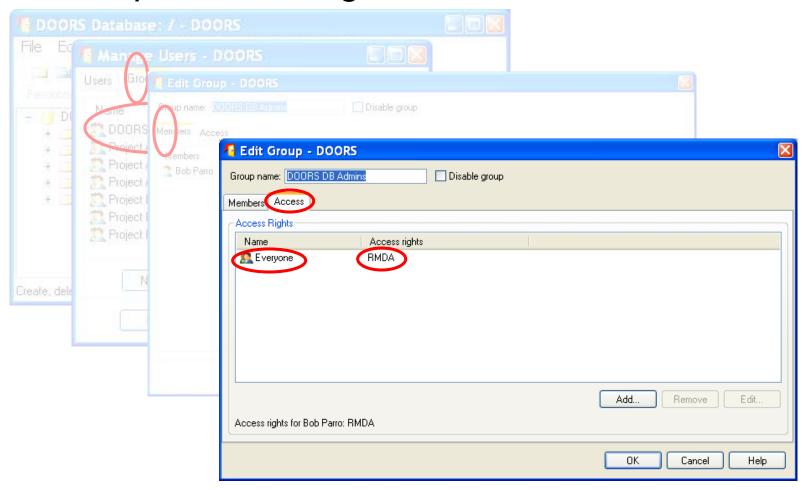












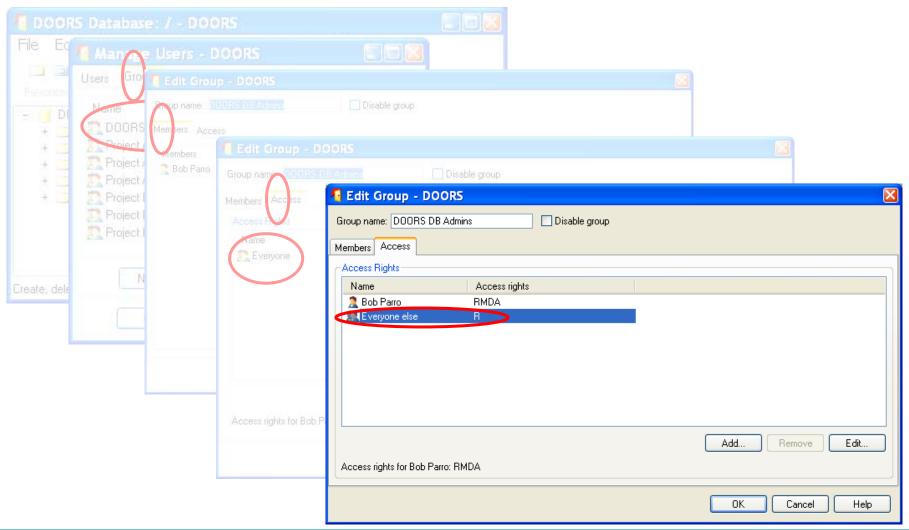












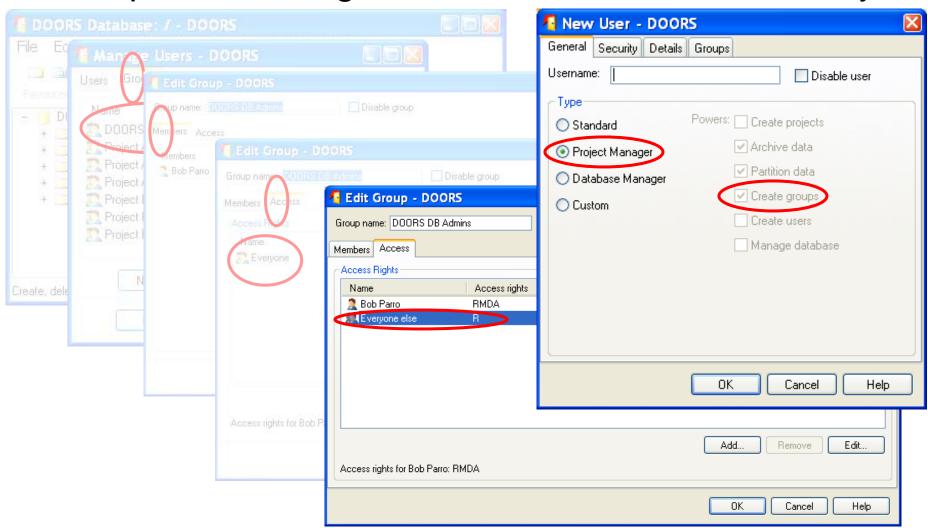














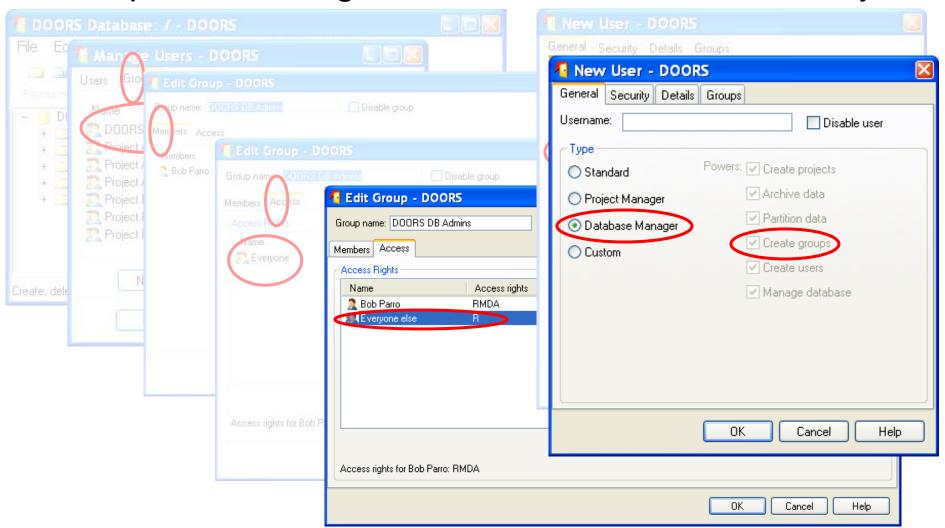














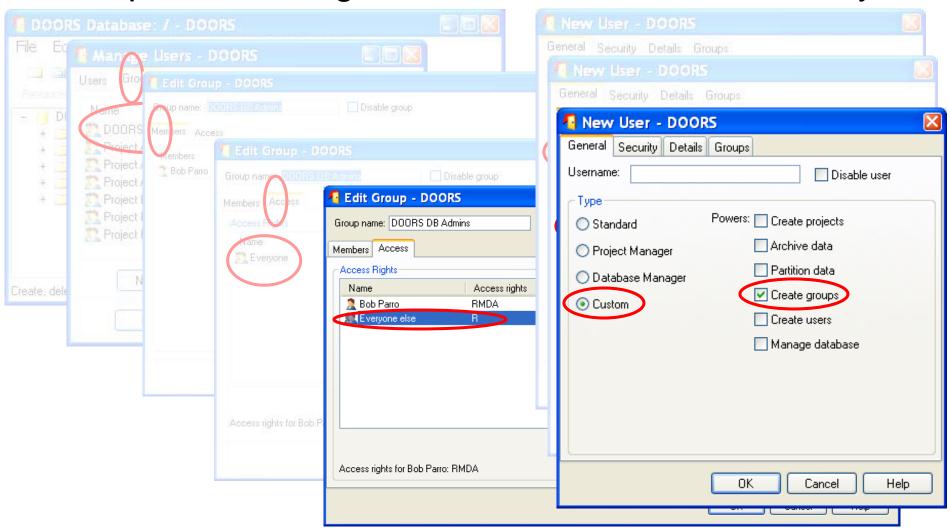
























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- Plug 'Groups' security hole







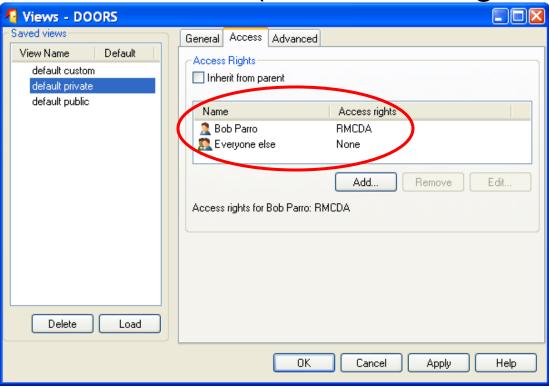






Access Rights – Views

Private views (View->Manage Views...->Access tab)





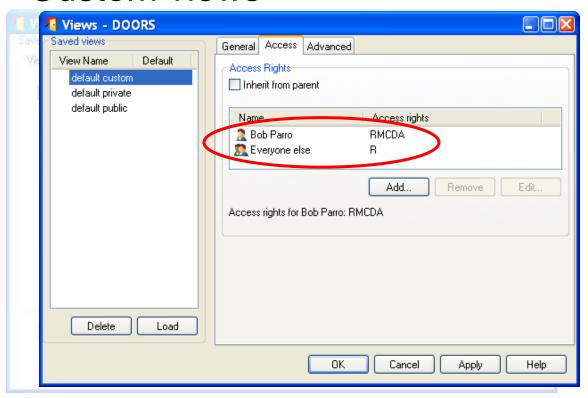








Custom views





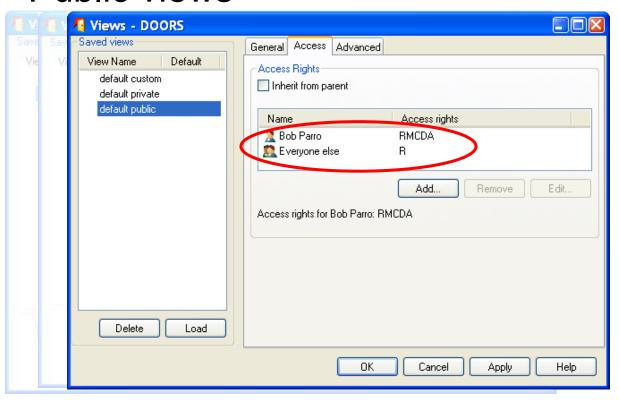








Public views





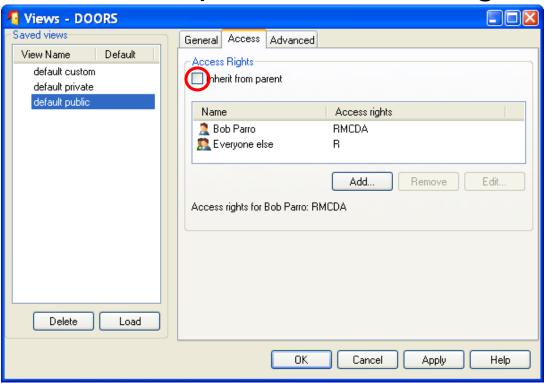








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View Access File->Module Properties->Access tab Syrs Properties - DOORS Views - DOORS General Access History Linksets Statistics Discussions Discussions Access List Saved views General Access Advanced Access Rights View Name Access Rights Inherit from parent Custom from Std view nherit from parent default custom. Name Access rights default private 🔼 DOORS DB Admins RMCDA Name Access rights default public Project A Admins RMCDA 🔼 DOORS DB Admins RMCDA Project A Reviewers default public - inherit from parent Roject A Romt Authors RC Project A Admins RMCDA 💹 Everyone else Project A Reviewers RMCD Project A Ramt Authors RMCD Remove Add.. Edit. 🔼 Everyone else Access rights for Bob Parro: RMCDA Remove Edit. Access rights for Bob Parro: RMCDA Propagate additional access rights with create access Additional access: Modify and Delete (MD) Delete Load 0K Cancel Apply Help 0K Cancel Apply Help





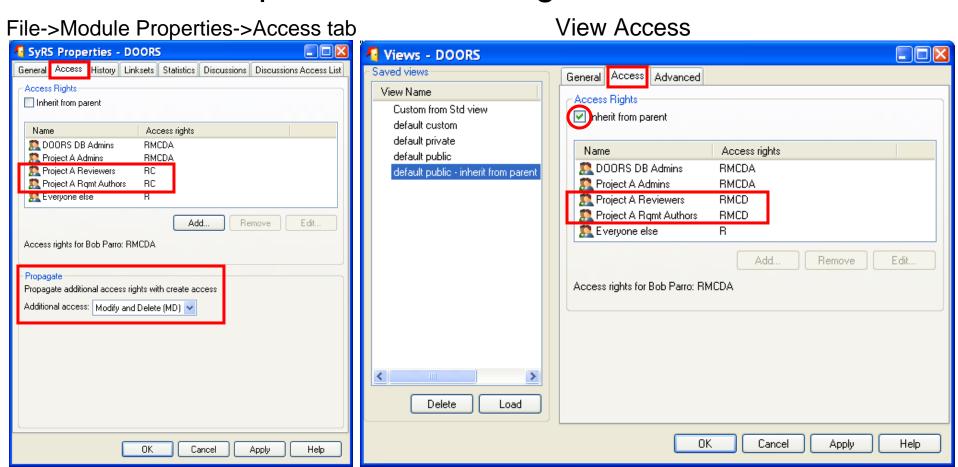








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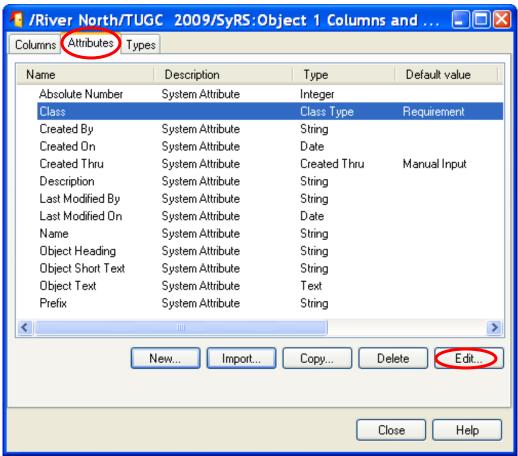






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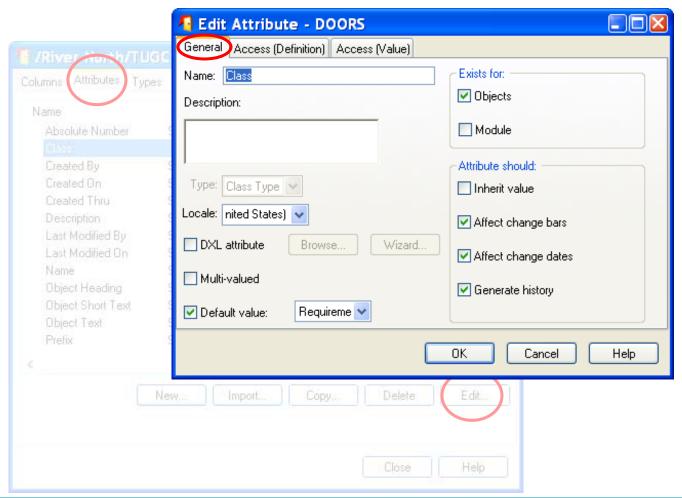








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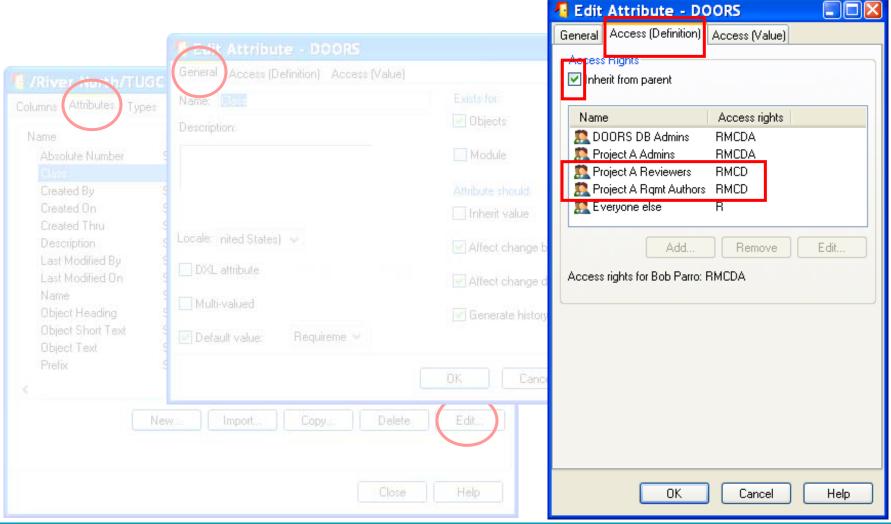








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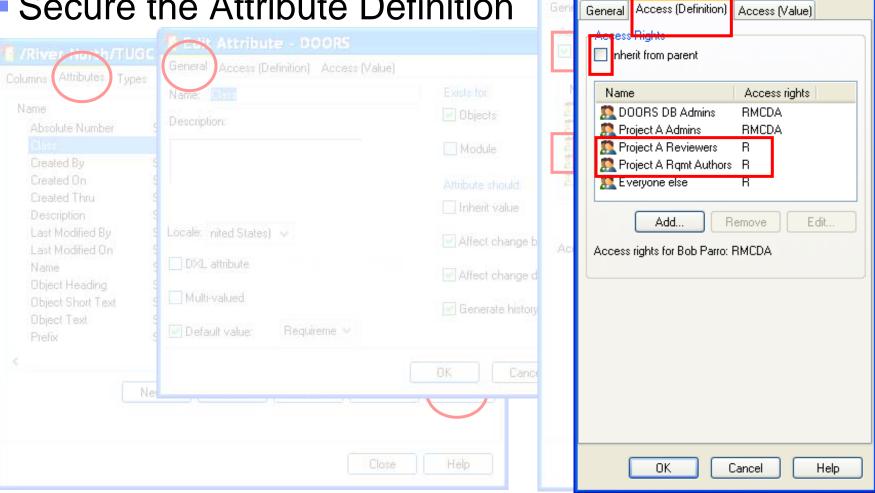


Edit Attribute - DOORS

Access Rights – Attributes/Types

Attribute consistency/redundancy

Secure the Attribute Definition









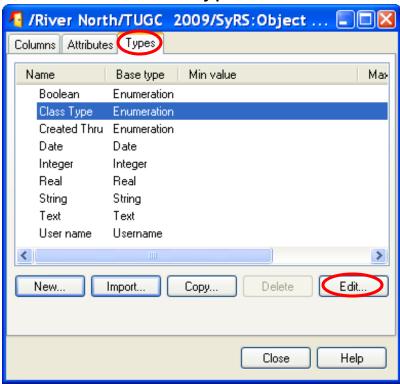






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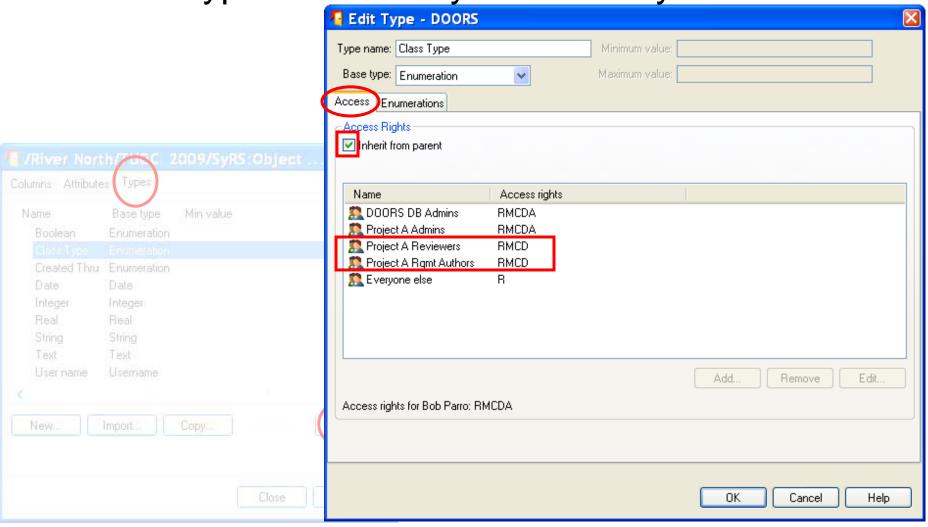








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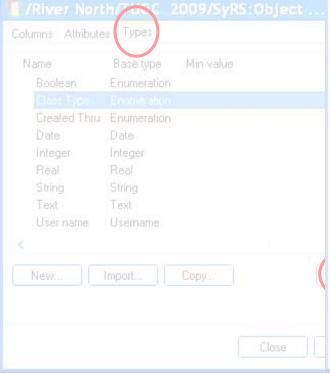


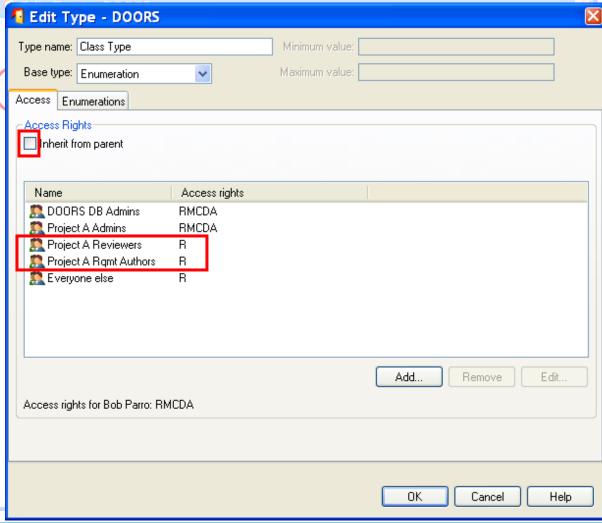




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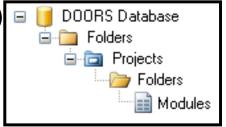






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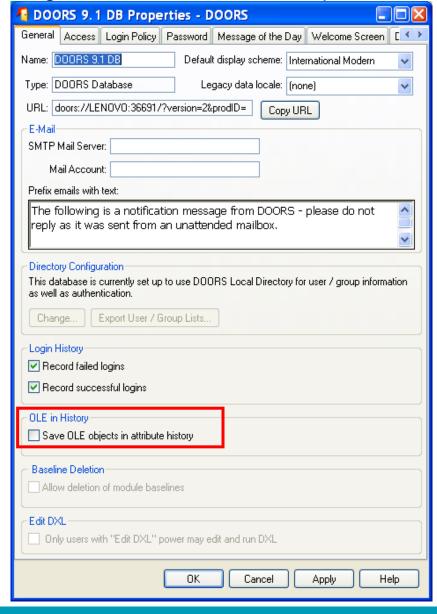




OLEs

- Weigh cost/benefit of saving OLEs in history
- Every time OLE is opened, gets saved...DOORS can't tell if it's been changed
- Module size/performance impact
- DB will rapidly grow in size
- Very large OLEs impact module opening, saving, scrolling

Right click DB root, click Properties...















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- Consider NOT saving OLE objects in attribute history















Modules

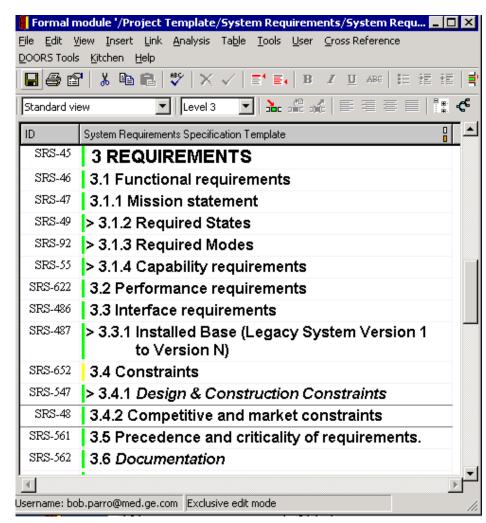
DOORS Database

Projects



Project Template – Document Framework

- Example template for a Systems Requirements Specification
- Incorporate evolving business best practices into template
- Can discard contents in favor of project-preferred framework
 - Import into module to take advantage of other pre-defines in module









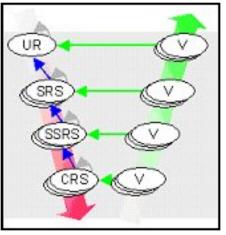




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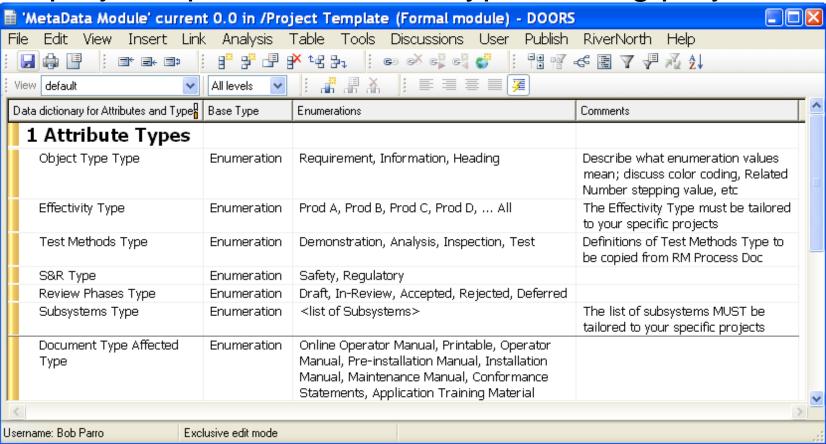




Project Template – Attribute Types

 Obtain consensus on core Attribute Types across business so everyone buys-in, benefits

Add project-specific Attribute Types during project setup











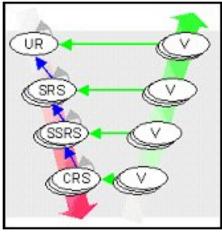




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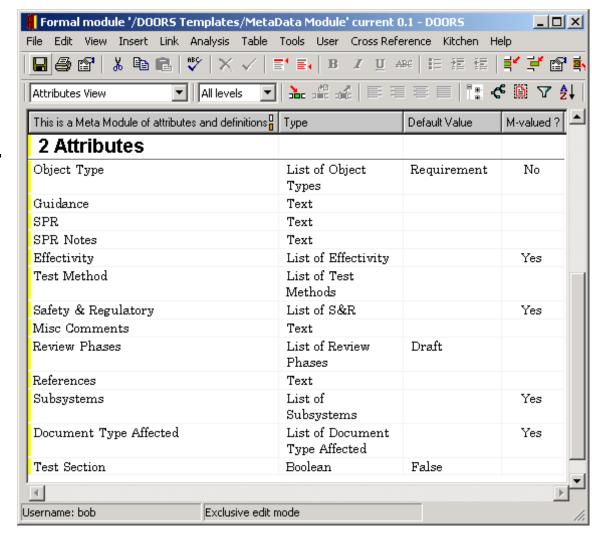






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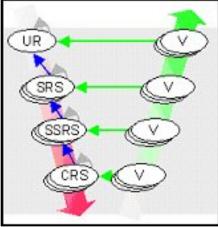




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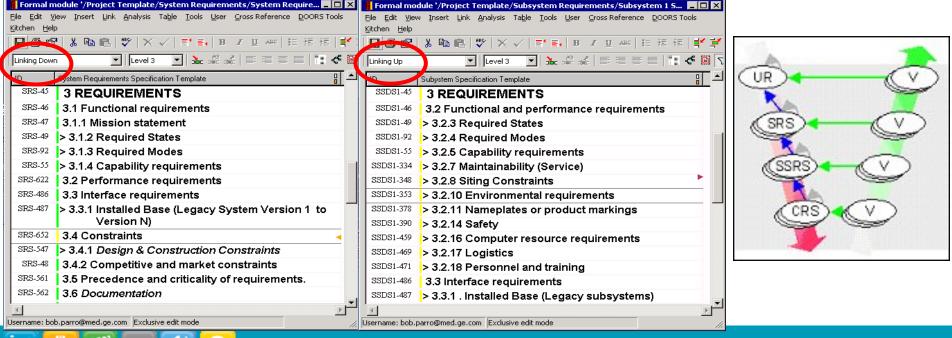




Project Template - Views

- Universal Views example: productivity views for flowdown, linking
 - ▶ Place higher level document on left side of screen, lower level on right
 - Easy to flowdown requirement, no ping-pong to/from parent/child

Entire main column visible in both documents for immediate visual confirmation of accuracy of linked objects and direction













Project Template - Views

Role-specific Views (note color-coding)

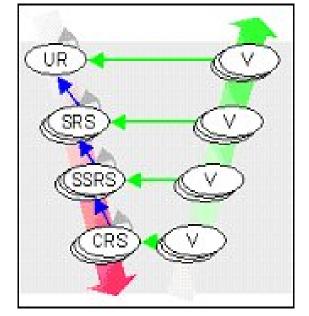
- Requirement authors
 - Requirements change impact analysis
 - Requirements flowdown gap analysis
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 - Requirements traceability analysis
 - Suspect links
- Validation & Verification testers
 - Requirements change impact to test analysis
 - Test gap analysis
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- Reviewers

- Marketing
- Stakeholder

Designers

- Quality
- Systems

- Project Managers
- Reliability
- Subsystems









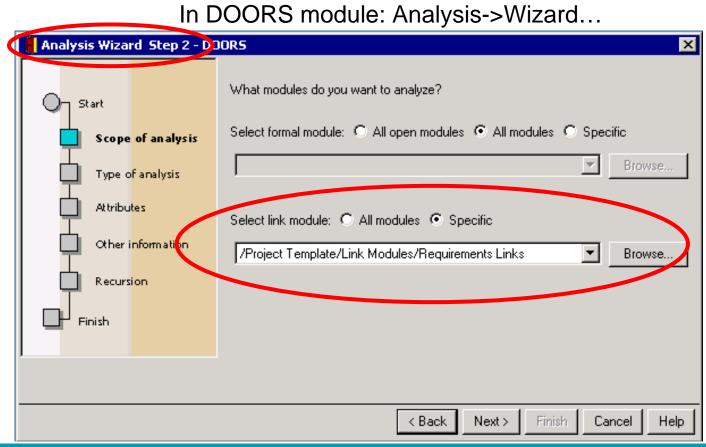






Project Template - Views

 View containing Requirements Traceability column requires 'Specific' link module selection







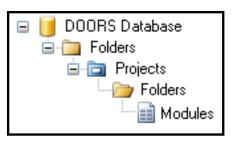


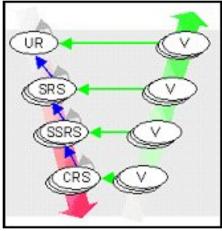




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- Define attributes
- → Define roles
- → Define views









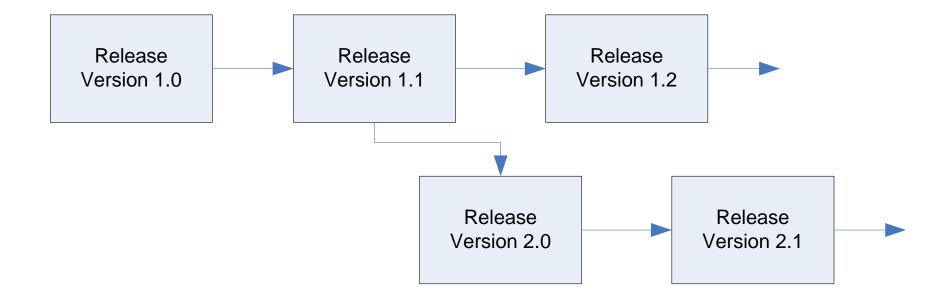






Baselines

 A baseline is a reviewed and approved deliverable that constitutes an agreed basis for further evolution or development, and can be changed only through a formal change management procedure.



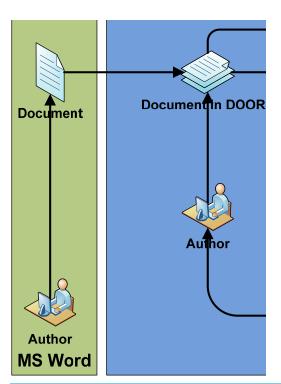














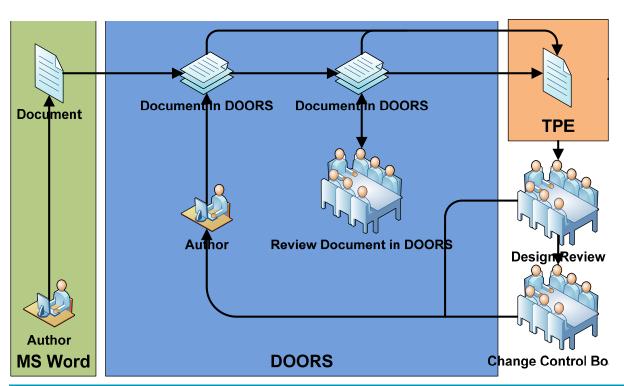














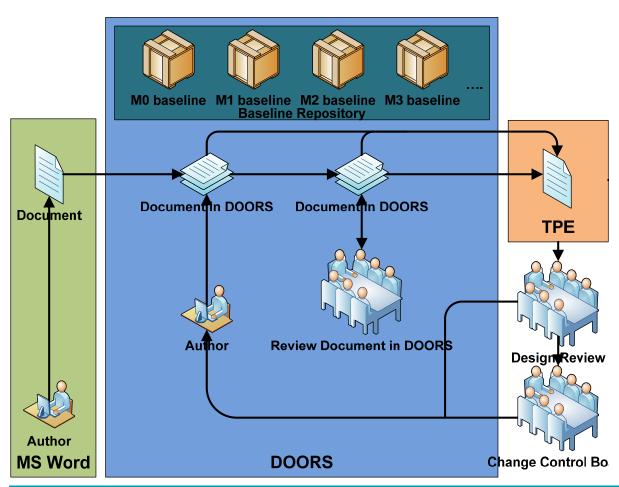














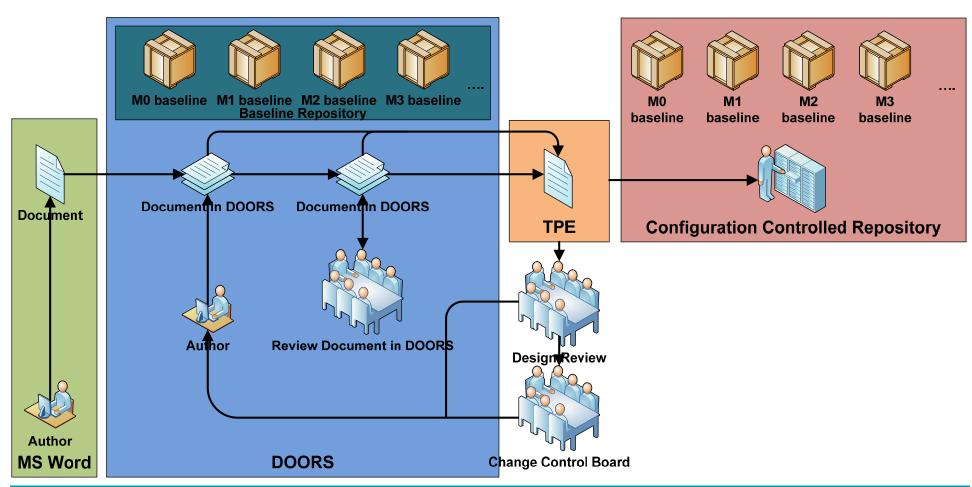














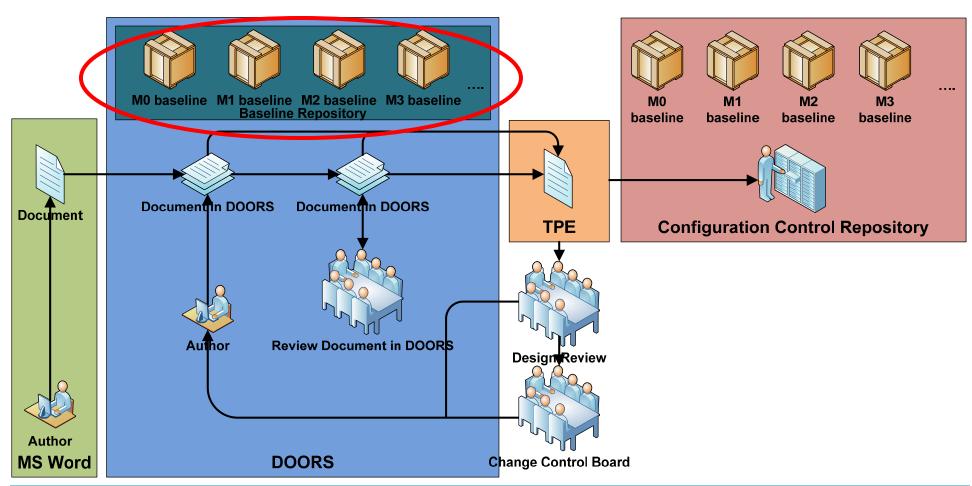














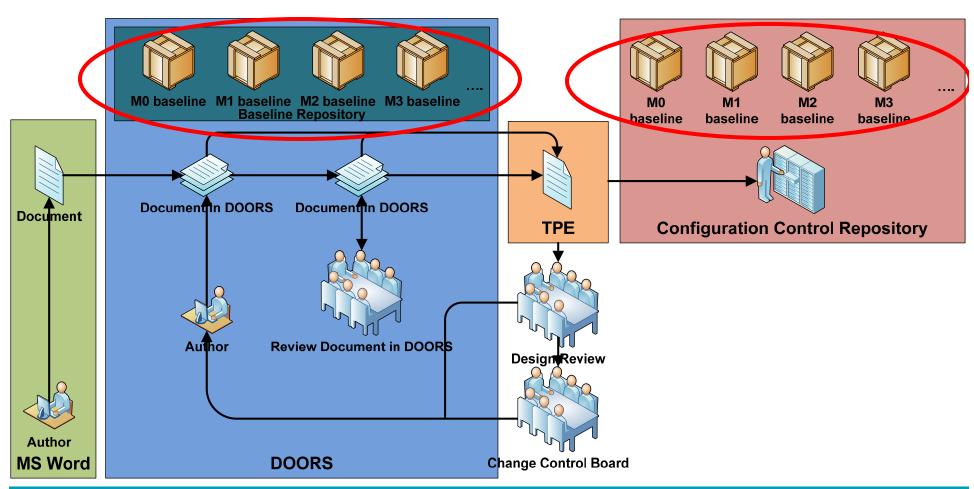




















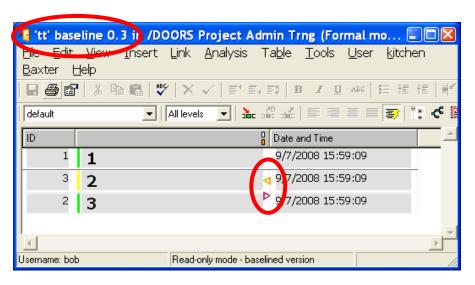


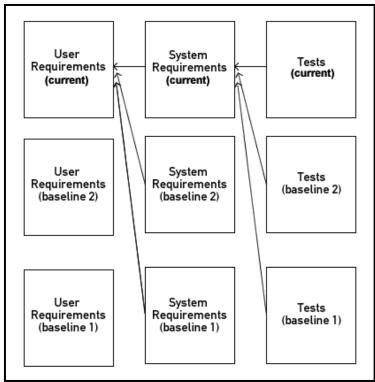


Baselines

Baseline behavior

- Links function differently
 - Links are copied to baseline when linked modules are baselined outside a baseline set
 - These "echoed links" can only be followed from baseline to current version of source or target module
 - No corresponding link from current version to baseline











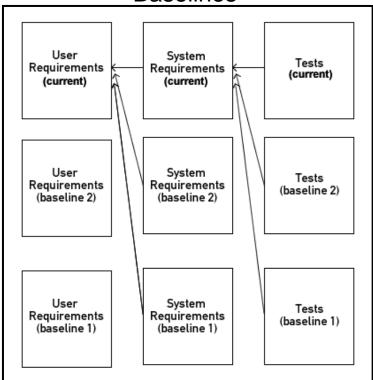




Baselines

- Baseline behavior
 - Data baselined
 - Unidirectional links FROM baseline TO current version – as current version data changes, relationship of linked baseline data may change

Baselines











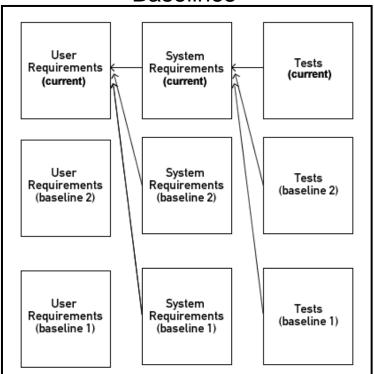




Baselines and Baseline Sets

- Baseline behavior
 - Data baselined
 - Unidirectional links FROM baseline TO current version – as current version data changes, relationship of linked baseline data may change

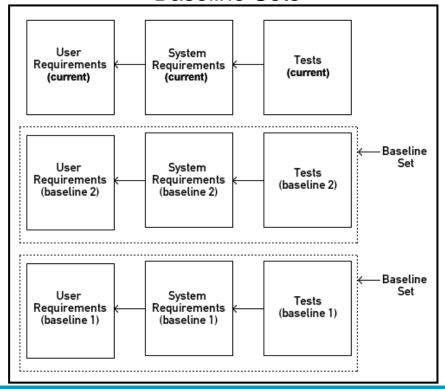
Baselines



Baseline set behavior

- Snapshot of group of documents with relationships intact
- Data baselined
- Links baselined

Baseline Sets









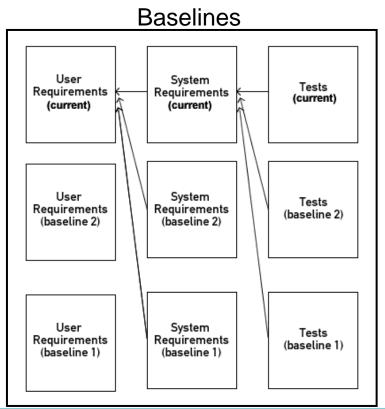


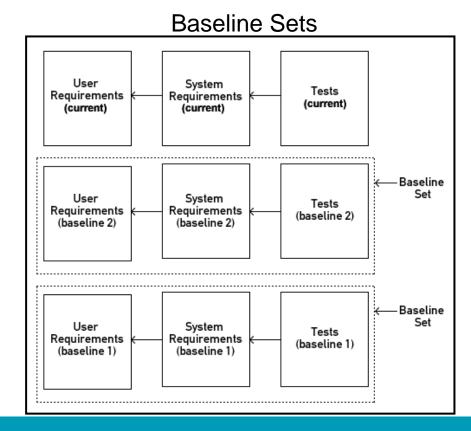




Baselines and Baseline Sets – frequent practice

- Normally, module baselines used
- Baseline Sets used much less frequently, if at all
- When Baseline Sets used, typically used once at end of project











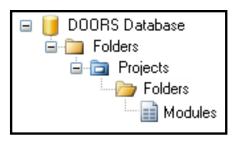


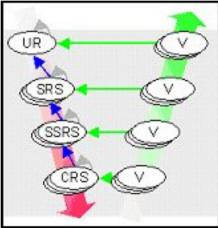




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Report Generation Using RPE







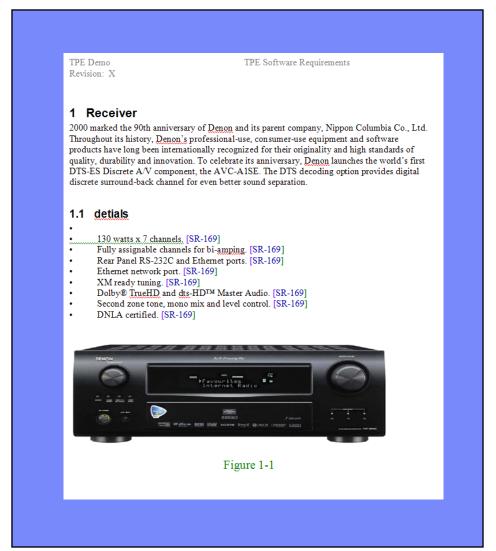






Report Generation Using RPE – Sample Scenario Rational Publishing Engine

- Generate complete documents
- Header and footers
- Attribute data
- Table of contents
- Cover Page
- Custom formats data















Report Generation Using RPE – Sample Scenario Rational Publishing Engine

RPE can generate complete documents

Mixing data contained in multiple sources Tau Diagrams

DOORS Text and pictures

Sample DOORS Data - Property of IBM Software Group

Today, Denon continues to introduce the most innovative audio/video products with the latest technologies, superb craftsmanship and the leading performance worldwide. The company is one of the world's most diversified specialist audio and home theater providers who offer consumers and professionals with breathtaking sound and images, superior reliability and unrivaled convenience features

Figure 2-2

Figure 2-1

Table 2-1 Signal Description Destination Receiver TMDS Data2 Shield Satellite Box Receiver TMDS Data2 Receiver TMDS Data1-Satellite Box Receiver TMDS Data1 Shield Satellite Box Receiver TMDS Data1-Satellite Box Receiver TMDS Data0+ Satellite Box Receiver TMDS Data0 Shield Satellite Box Receiver TMDS Data0. Satellite Box Receiver 10 TMDS Clock+ Satellite Box Receiver TMDS Clock Shield Satellite Box Receiver TMDS Clock-Satellite Box

DOORS View as Table





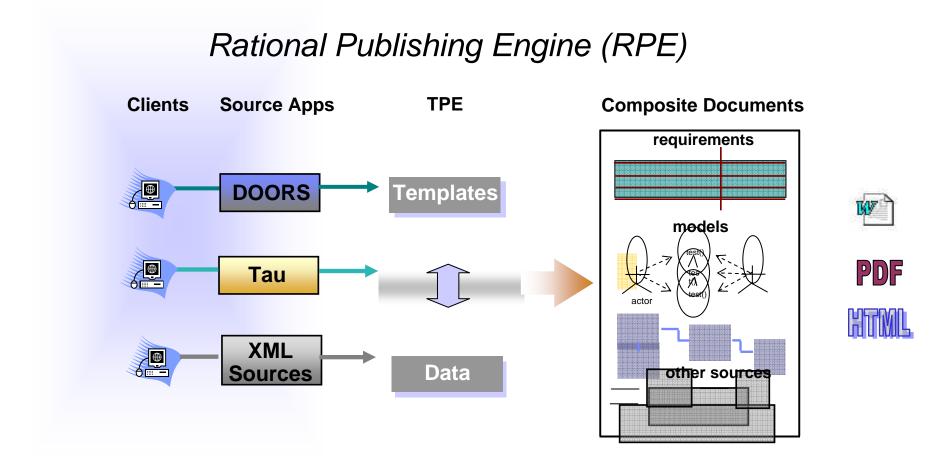








Report Generation Using RPE



Separate the content from the formatting







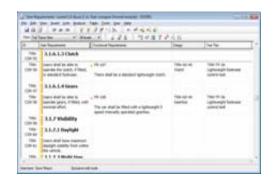






Rational Publishing Engine Components





Launcher for managing document production

Document Studio for creating templates



Tool Integrations for commanding document generation from within tools (e.g. DOORS, Tau, Focal Point etc.)

Reports in multiple formats (e.g. MS Word, PDF, HTML, etc.)













Moderated wiki for sharing templates and knowledge



http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/dwwi/jsp/WSLogin.jsp













Guidance on use of RPE

- Advantages over DocExpress (DX)
 - Runs on user's desktop
 - Eliminates need for beefy server
 - Less fragile
 - Does not use clipboard
 - 20x faster
 - Lower implementation and maintenance costs
- Disadvantage
 - Templates more complex to set up
- Recommended over DX









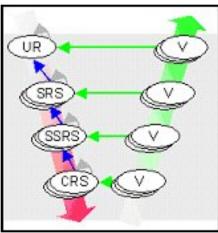




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Productive Project Template

- Now have all elements identified for productive Project Template in DOORS
 - Pre-defined Schema
 - ▶ Pre-defined Link Strategy, Link Management, and Link Enforcement
 - Pre-defined Document Framework
 - Pre-defined Attributes and Attribute Types
 - Pre-defined Views
 - Groups security hole plugged
 - Access rights strategy identified
 - Report generation implications built in
- How do we leverage ALL of the infrastructure built-in to the Project Template on a new project?













Productive Project Template

- Restore Project Template for new project
 - Pros
 - Simple to set up
 - Easy to deploy to multiple projects
 - All information contained in one file
 - Cons
 - Can't include access control settings if archive used in different database













Productive Project Template

Schema updates

- Configuration control schema
- Vet all changes through change control board
- ▶ Regard as software development project use same rigor
- Phase-in changes in non destructive manner
- Plan for managing mixed version environment
- Plan for upgrading existing projects













Infrastructure for enterprise access to DXL scripts

- Example
- Central script repository
- DOORS remote addins





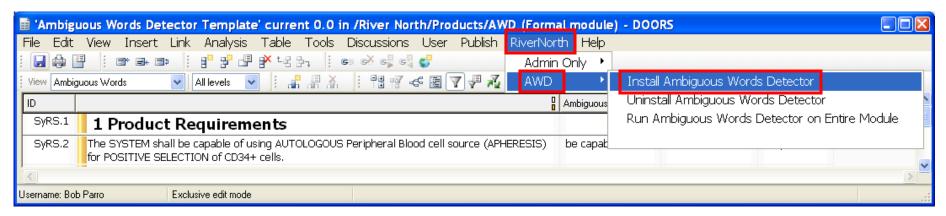






Enterprise access to DXL scripts

Example: Ambiguous Words Detector







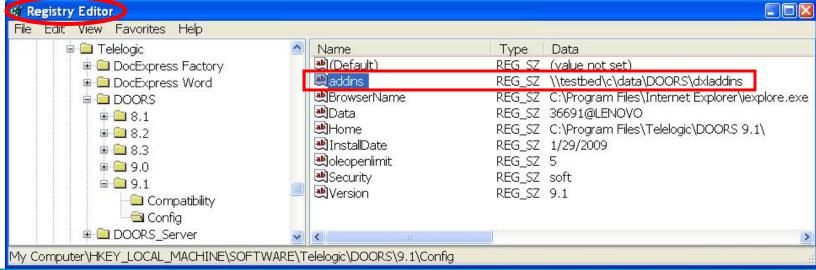






Enterprise access to DXL scripts

- Allows single instance of scripts to be used by entire enterprise
- Host scripts in central script repository (CSR)
 - Set DOORS clients to use DOORS remote addins: \\hostname.domain.com\DOORS\dxladdins or equivalent
- DOORS remote addins parameter points to CSR
 - ▶ Edit Windows Registry (Start/Run->regedit) BE CAREFUL!
 - HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Telelogic\DOORS\9.1\Config















Requirements Management Plan

- Recommend codifying concepts in form of RM Plan
- See example plan outline this slide



Requirements Management Plan Outline













Summary

Project Template Benefits

- Accelerates project ramp-up via well crafted infrastructure
 - Product development less costly, shorter schedule => earlier market window
 - Leverage internal DOORS guru expertise on every project
 - Lower DOORS proficiency required of typical users
- Consistent Schema and Best Practices across the business
 - Eliminates delay of each project developing and implementing their own schema
 - Reduces learning curve as staff changes across projects
- Consistent language and expectations regarding Attributes
- Accurate Traceability information via enforced Link Architecture
 - Products produced have higher quality (fewer defects)
 - Better regulatory compliance
- Business-specific document templates can be immediately leveraged













Summary

- Project Template Benefits (continued)
 - All aspects of projects employ good project management practices regarding traceability analyses by leveraging pre-defined views that enable users to
 - Accurately assess impact of change prior to making change
 - Easily identify coverage gaps
 - Easily identify scope creep
 - Easily identify product non-compliance by tracing failed tests to requirements
 - Capture improving Requirements Management techniques in the Project Template to leverage across the business
- Leverage good practices and guidance in this paper
- Use checklist to avoid oversights











DOORS Project Jumpstart Checklist

- Prevent default DOORS link module behavior DEMO
- Develop/enforce link strategy

DEMO

- Set up project 'Groups'
- Set up project access rights
 - □Always grant via 'Groups'
 - Seal 'Groups' security hole

DEMC

Folders

Modules

DOORS Database

□ □ Projects

Folders

- ☐Set access rights on 'Groups'
- Set Public views to 'Inherit from parent' (ongoing 'battle')
- ■Secure Attribute/Type Definitions
- Avoid granting access rights for individuals...
 - ☐ For Projects/Folders/Modules/Edit Shareable Sections/Attributes/Types/Views
- Avoid access rights at granularity of object
- Consider NOT saving OLE objects in attribute history





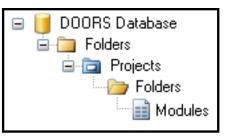


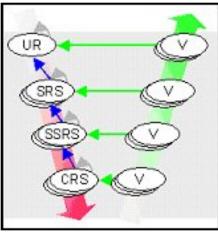




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