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# Overview

## About this manual

This manual contains information and instructions for installing, configuring, programming, and running Machine Tending PowerPac.

## Usage

This manual should be used during installation and configuration of Machine Tending PowerPac. It describes Machine Tending PowerPac and includes step-by-step instructions to perform the tasks.

## Who should read this manual?

This manual is intended for:

- System integrators
- End Customers
- Offline Programmers
- Service Technicians
- ABB engineers

## Prerequisites

The reader should:

- Have experience with RobotStudio
- Have experience of installation and configuration work
- Good skills in the IRC5 robot controller and RAPID programming

## References

| References | Document ID |
|---|---|
| *Operating manual - RobotStudio* | *3HAC032104-001* |
| *Operating manual - Troubleshooting IRC5* | *3HAC020738-001* |
| *Technical reference manual - System parameters* | *3HAC050948-001* |
| *Technical reference manual - RAPID kernel* | *3HAC050946-001* |
| *Technical reference manual - RAPID Overview* | *3HAC050947-001* |
| *Technical reference manual - RAPID Instructions, Functions and Data types* | *3HAC050917-001* |
| *Operating manual - IRC5 with FlexPendant* | *3HAC050941-001* |
| *Application manual - RobotWare Machine Tending* | *3HAC044398-001* |
| *Application manual - RAPID development guidelines for handling applications* | *3HAC046417-001* |
| *Operating manual - RobotWare Machine Tending* | *3HAC044397-001* |
| *Application manual - RobotWare Machine Tending* | *3HAC044398-001* |

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| http://www.robotstudio.com/forum/ | RobotStudio Support Forum |

## Revisions

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| D | Released with RobotStudio 6.0<br>• Added the new section *Data editors on page 57*.<br>• Added the new section *Synchronize to Station on page 114*. |
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| G | Released with RobotStudio 6.03<br>Updated the following sections:<br>• Updated the section *Define Cycles on page 72*.<br>• Updated the section *HomeRun on page 94*. |
| H | Released with RobotStudio 6.04<br>Updated the following sections:<br>• Added the new section *Test Move Editor on page 92*.<br>• Updated the section *The Path View tool bar on page 106*. |
| J | Released with RobotStudio 6.06<br>Updated the following sections:<br>• Added the section *Machine Tending browser tree on page 31*.<br>• Updated the section *Production view on page 117*. |
| K | Released with RobotStudio 2019.1.<br>Updated the references. |
| L | Released with RobotStudio 2021.2<br>Updated the section *HomeRun on page 94* |

# Product documentation

## Categories for user documentation from ABB Robotics

The user documentation from ABB Robotics is divided into a number of categories. This listing is based on the type of information in the documents, regardless of whether the products are standard or optional.

**Tip**

All documents can be found via myABB Business Portal, *www.abb.com/myABB*.

## Product manuals

Manipulators, controllers, DressPack/SpotPack, and most other hardware is delivered with a **Product manual** that generally contains:

- Safety information.
- Installation and commissioning (descriptions of mechanical installation or electrical connections).
- Maintenance (descriptions of all required preventive maintenance procedures including intervals and expected life time of parts).
- Repair (descriptions of all recommended repair procedures including spare parts).
- Calibration.
- Decommissioning.
- Reference information (safety standards, unit conversions, screw joints, lists of tools).
- Spare parts list with corresponding figures (or references to separate spare parts lists).
- References to circuit diagrams.

## Technical reference manuals

The technical reference manuals describe reference information for robotics products, for example lubrication, the RAPID language, and system parameters.

## Application manuals

Specific applications (for example software or hardware options) are described in **Application manuals**. An application manual can describe one or several applications.

An application manual generally contains information about:

- The purpose of the application (what it does and when it is useful).
- What is included (for example cables, I/O boards, RAPID instructions, system parameters, software).
- How to install included or required hardware.
- How to use the application.
- Examples of how to use the application.

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**Operating manuals**

The operating manuals describe hands-on handling of the products. The manuals are aimed at those having first-hand operational contact with the product, that is production cell operators, programmers, and troubleshooters.

# Safety

## Safety of personnel

A robot is heavy and extremely powerful regardless of its speed. A pause or long stop in movement can be followed by a fast hazardous movement. Even if a pattern of movement is predicted, a change in operation can be triggered by an external signal resulting in an unexpected movement.

Therefore, it is important that all safety regulations are followed when entering safeguarded space.

## Safety regulations

Before beginning work with the robot, make sure you are familiar with the safety regulations described in the manual *Safety manual for robot - Manipulator and IRC5 or OmniCore controller*.

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 About Machine Tending PowerPac

**Overview**

RobotStudio Machine Tending PowerPac (MTPP) is an add-in for RobotStudio. MTPP provides a platform for quick, easy creation, and editing of machine tending robot cells in a 3D virtual environment. The cells are designed to work together with RobotWare Machine Tending.

Since MTPP has a library of common grippers and station types, and built-in support for most machines and peripheral equipments, getting a cell up and running in the virtual environment is easy . In addition, safety is simplified with the capability to define safe home position movements in a virtual environment.

Some of the features of Machine Tending PowerPac are:

- Define and configure parts and grippers.
- Define and configure stations and robot movements.
- Define HomeRun strategy.
- Define simulation, validate, and optimize cycles.

## 1.2 Terms and concepts

### Machine Tending PowerPac concepts

The following table lists the terminologies and concepts used in Machine Tending PowerPac:

| Concept | Description |
|---|---|
| Project | A project is the container of all information about a specific application. It is deployed on the Robot controller. There can be several projects in system, using RobotWare Machine Tending, a specific project can be selected for execution from the FlexPendant. |
| Station | A uniquely identifiable physical equipment or location in the cell where the robot moves to with the part to perform a specific action. |
| Programming concept | A guideline to programming MT applications which includes modularization of RAPID based on movement and administrative modules, naming conventions for variables and signals, special instructions, and so on. |
| Station Templates | A set of predefined RAPID templates installed along with the PowerPac for handling the common Machine Tending stations. |
| Station Load and Station Unload routines | Station Load routine is used when the robot loads the part in the machine. Station Unload routine is used when the robot removes the part from the machine. These routines are defined in the Station templates. |
| HomeRun strategy | A RAPID module which describes the path taken by the robot to move to the Home position from any position in the Machine Tending cell. |
| Movement Modules / Routines | All movements in a Machine Tending cell are defined as separate routines in Movement module. For example, `mv10_11( ), mv11_12( )`.. |
| Cycle routines | Cycle routines define the sequence of stations that are tended by the Robot. There can be several cycle routines in a material handling application, such as, Production, Startup, Completion, and so on. These routines are defined for the part being produced. |
| RW Machine Tending data types | The following data types required by RobotWare Machine Tending are configured from MTPP:<br>• `StationData` – Used to visualize the station on the FlexPendant<br>• `GripData` – Control the gripper operations<br>• `CycleData` – Used to visualize and select the corresponding cycle routine from the FlexPendant or remote interface<br>• `PartData` – Defines the part being produced and the routines that are executed.<br>• `Project.mtp` file – This file lists all the details about the the Project, such as, list of modules, system parameters, images, and so on. |

### Project concept

A project is the container of all information about a specific application. The Project builds the interface between the MTPP and RobotWare Machine Tending. A project created from MTPP contains the following information:

- Program and system modules
- System parameters
- Part and station related images

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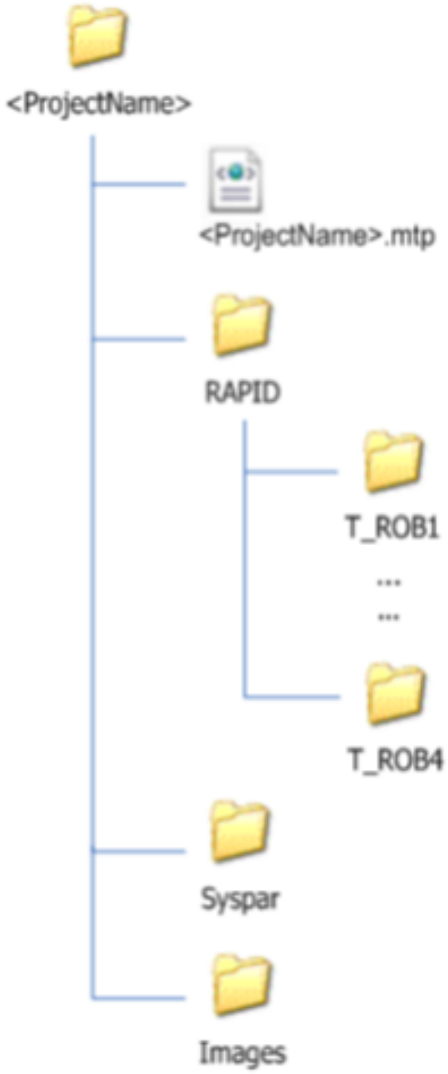
- RobotStudio *Pack & Go* stations

The *Project.mtp* file is present in the Project folder and it lists all the above information. This information is used by the RobotWare Machine Tending user interface to load the corresponding modules into the controller. The Projects can be operated from the RobotWare Machine Tending user interface on the FlexPendant.

The project folder and file system are described in the following image:

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| Folder / File | Description |
|---|---|
| `<ProjectName>` | The project folder contains all the required files and folders of a RobotWare Machine Tending project. The folder name is same as the project name. |
| `<ProjectName>.mtp` | XML-based project file which specifies all RAPID modules (`*.mod` and `*.sys`), system parameters, images and Pack&Go file, belonging to this specific project.<br>The name of the project file and the project folder must be the same. |

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| Folder / File | Description |
|---|---|
| RAPID | Folder which holds the RAPID modules (*.mod and *.sys) of the project for up to 4 motion tasks. |
| T_ROB1 – T_ROB4 | Contains the RAPID modules (*.mod and *.sys) for a specific motion task. |
| Syspar | Folder which holds all the system parameters of the project. |
| Images | All icons and pictures that are relevant for the project are located in this folder. |

Structure of file <ProjectName>.mtp, filled with some example modules, parameters, images, and a pack and go file:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-16"?>
<!--RobotWare Machine Tending project file V1.0-->
  <Project>
    <Description Version="1.0" Date="2012-04-29">
      <Title>Bumper</Title>
      <Details>Producing bumpers</Details>
    </Description>
    <Rapid>
      <Task Name="T_ROB1" Program="Bumper">
      <Module>MT_MAIN.mod</Module>
      <Module>IMM.mod</Module>
      <Module>FLAMING.mod</Module>
      <Module>CNV.MOD</Module>
      <Module>Movement_T1.mod</Module>
      </Task>
    </Rapid>
    <Syspar>
      <Param>EIO.CFG</Param>
      <Param>PROC.CFG</Param>
    </Syspar>
    <Images>
      <Image>Picture1.png</Image>
      <Image>Picture2.png</Image>
    </Images>
    <PackandGo>Bumper station.rspag</PackandGo>
  </Project>
```

### Station concept

A station in Machine Tending context is the uniquely identifiable physical equipment or a location in the cell where a robot moves with a part to perform a specific action.

Some examples of stations are:

- Processing stations
  - Lathe machine, IMM, Die-Casting Machine, Cooling station, Cutting station, Trimming Press, and so on.
- Sensor stations
  - Automatic or Manual inspection station.

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- Feeder stations
  - Palletize station, Infeeder or Outfeeder station.

From RAPID's perspective, the station operations are handled in a separate module for each station in the cell. For example, `IMM.mod, Conveyor.mod, Inspection.mod`, and so on. These modules contain the following:

- Initialization routine
- Load or unload routines
- Error handling within the station
- Signals mapping

Configured RobotWare Machine Tending data types needed to visualize the station details on the FlexPendant

**Programming concept**

MTPP creates programs based on the proposed guidelines for programming material handling applications based on the RobotWare Machine Tending. Following is an overview of the concepts relevant to MTPP:

- RAPID modularization
  - Demarcation between Administrative and Motion routines

    From MTPP, separate modules are created for Station, Part, Movement, Cycles, HomeRun, Main etc.
- Naming convention
  - Unique naming convention for RobTargets, Signals, Variables etc.
    # All the targets positions in a Station are uniquely identified by a numbering scheme, pXX / pXXX, where X is the number. Example: IMM station positions are numbered between p10 to p19. Cutting station targets are numbered between p20 to p29.
    # Additional positions are described as Intermediate positions Example: Intermediate positions between p10 and p11 are defined as p101101, p101102

      From MTPP, the template modules and Movement modules follow the prescribed convention.
- Motion
  - Movement instructions between two points are defined in separate routines
  - All the movement routines are stored in a separate module (Movement.mod)

```
!From: p11 : IMM loading Preposition
!To: p12 : IMM loading endposition;
PROC mv11_12()
MT_MoveJ
     11,p11,v50,z10,Tooldata1\WObj:=mtsProcessing1_Wobj\NoMove;
MT_MoveLDO
     12,p12,v1500,z10,Tooldata1\WObj:=mtsProcessing1_WObj,
     sdoGeneric1_Outside,1;
ENDPROC
```

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- The movement to a specific position is typically called from the station load or unload routines or cycle routines using a special instruction MT_MoveTo 12, where 12 is the position number.
- Depending on the current position, the corresponding movement routine is executed. Example: If the Robot is in position p11, then MT_MoveTo 12 would call the mv11_12() routine.

For more details, refer Application manual - RAPID development guidelines for handling applications.

**Station templates concept**

In Machine Tending PowerPac, pre-defined RAPID templates are provided to get started with the programming.

There are templates to handle machines such as Injection Moulding, Die Casting machines with pre-defined signal interfaces. There are generic templates for Loading, Unloading, Loading and Unloading, which is applicable for any type of station. For more information refer to *Configure stations on page 43*.

# 2 Installing Machine Tending PowerPac

## 2.1 System requirements

The following are the prerequisites for installing the Machine Tending PowerPac.

- A computer that meets or exceeds the system requirements as specified by RobotStudio.
- A log on account with administrator rights on the computer.
- RobotStudio 2019.1

| Hardware requirements | Software requirements |
|---|---|
| CPU: 2.0 GHz or faster processor, recommended is multicore processor | Windows 7 or Windows 10 (64 bit) |
| Memory: 1 GB RAM or more (more is recommended). | RobotStudio 2019.1 |
| 2 GB RAM is running Windows 7, Windows 10, Stations with several robot systems, or large CAD models | RobotWare 5.60 or later versions. |
| Available disk space: 5+ GB on the system disk, 250+ MB on the installation disk | .NET Framework 4.7.2 |
| Graphics card: High performance OpenGL-compatible graphics card with the corresponding up-to-date drivers installed | |
| Screen resolution: 1280 x 1024 pixels (Recommended) | |
| Colors: 256 or higher | |
| DPI: Normal size (96 dpi) | |
| Mouse: Three-button mouse | |

## 2.2 License key

**Introduction**

The license certificate document contains information about ABB contact information, an activation key, a list of licensed products, and expiry date.

For more information about licensing, see *Operating manual - RobotStudio*.

**Prerequisites**

You need a license key to use Machine Tending PowerPac. The license key is valid only on the computer on which the RobotStudio and the Machine Tending PowerPac are installed.

The license key is invalidated if you change your file system (for example, from FAT32 to NTFS).

**Requesting a license key**

To request your license key:

1. Log on to your computer.
2. Launch RobotStudio and then navigate to **Information: Manage Licences**
3. Click on **Activation Wizard** and select **I want to request a licence file**.
4. Enter the Activation key received along with RobotStudio.
5. Save the report and upload the file to the SOFA server.
6. On receiving the Licence key, install manually or activate over the Internet.

# 3 Workflow

## 3.1 Machine Tending PowerPac

### 3.1.1 Operational flow

The following flowchart shows the recommended flow for working with the Machine Tending PowerPac:

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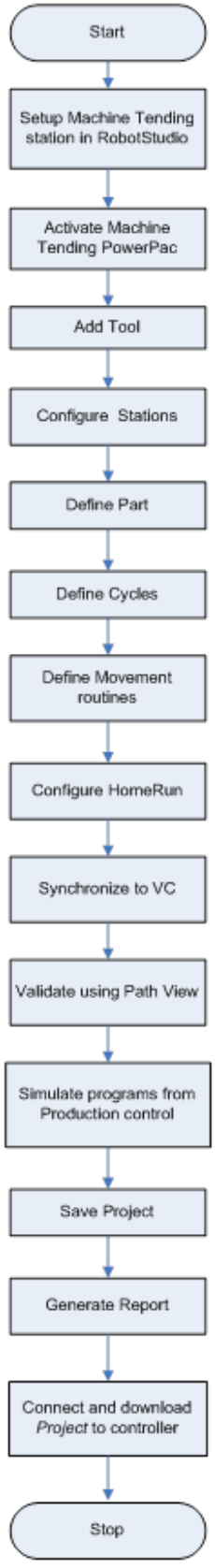


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| Task | Description |
|---|---|
| Setup Machine Tending station in RobotStudio | Create system with additional option RobotWare Machine Tending and include them to a RobotStudio station. |
| Activate Machine Tending PowerPac | Click **Add-Ins** Tab and click **Machine Tending**. The Machine Tending tab opens with a default project listed in the browser tree.<br>The positions and movement routines between home and service positions (`p999, p991-993`) are created automatically in the movement module upon activation. |
| Add Tool | Attaches a tool to the robot. `ToolData` and `GripData` can be defined in the Tool. |
| Configure Stations | Add Machine Tending stations to the cell. The *StationData* data type is defined for each station. The stations are created based on the selected models and RAPID templates.<br>The station is added to RobotStudio together with the corresponding movement routines. |
| Define Part | In RobotWare Machine Tending, selecting a `Part` is the first step to execute the cycles. The Part is identified by the data type `Partdata` in this step. |
| Define Cycles | These define the sequence of stations that are tended by the robot. There can be several cycle routines in a material handling application such as production, startup, completion, and so on. These routines are defined for the part being produced (updates the `PartData` with the cycle routine name).<br>All the cycle routines are saved in the `Cycle.mod` in the project folder. The data type `CycleData` is created in this step, this enables selecting the cycle for execution from the RobotWare Machine Tending user interface and from Production simulation in MTPP. |
| Define Movement routines | All the station related movement routines are highlighted in the grid. Iteratively teach the different movement routines between the stations. Define the missing movement routines:<br>• between stations based on the cycles.<br>• From or To the Home position to stations. |
| Define HomeRun | Define the strategy to move the robot to the home position from any position in the cell from the grid. This is based on the various possible movements defined from the previous steps. The `MT_Home_User` RAPID module is created in the Project folder in this step. |
| Validate using Path view | In this step, a test movement routine with different movement routines from the selected Movement module is created. Arrange the order of the routines similar to the cycle sequence and verify the reachability, configuration, and simulation of the movements. |
| Synchronize to RAPID | In this step, synchronize all the content of the Project from MTPP to the Virtual controller. |
| Simulation cycles Production control | In this step, the cycles for the selected part can be executed. The configured HomeRun sequence for each position can also be verified. |
| Save Project | In this step, the project modules on the Virtual controller are saved into the Project folder in the file system. |

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| Task | Description |
|---|---|
| Generate Report | Creates a `*.doc` report for the project. It contains all the information configured from MTPP. |
| Connect and Download to controller | Connect to a real controller and download the selected project. |

Following are the few data types required by RobotWare Machine Tending that are configured by Machine Tending PowerPac:

- `StationData` – To visualize the station on the FlexPendant.
- `GripData` – To control the gripper operations.
- `CycleData` – To visualize and select the corresponding cycle routine from the FlexPendant or remote interface.
- `PartData` – Defines the part being produced and the routines that are executed.
- `Project.mtp` file – Lists all the details about the project such as list of modules, system parameters, images, and so on.

## 3.2 Project and data type overview

When the Machine Tending add-in is activated, a project is created and listed in the browser tree of Machine Tending. The corresponding project folder and `Project.mtp` file are created in the file system.

The workflow for MTPP defines the following RobotWare Machine Tending data types during the different steps.

| Step | Data type | Description |
|---|---|---|
| Activate MTPP – Creates Project | ProjectInfo | Defines a RobotWare Machine Tending project |
| Add Tool | GripData | Controls the gripper operations |
| Define Part | PartData | Defines the data for the part being produced including the corresponding cycle routines. |
| Configure Stations | StationData | Displays the station on the RobotWare Machine Tending user interface with all the status information. |
| Define Cycles | CycleData | Enables the selection of cycle routines from the RobotWare Machine Tending user interface on the FlexPendant to support production of part. |

A Project contains different modules for Station(s), Movement, Parts, Gripper, Cycles, HomeRun, and so on. From MTPP, these modules are added or created from various sources during **Synchronize to VC** as described in the following table:

| Module | Description | Source | RobotWare Machine Tending Data type |
|---|---|---|---|
| `MT_Main.mod` | Contains the main( ) routine which instantiates the RobotWare Machine Tending execution. | Copied into system folder by default by MTPP.<br>Load module to include into the VC. | `ProjInfo`<br>`CycleData` |
| `Station(s).mod` | Contains the logic for handling the Station. There is a module for each station in the cell. | Created from MTPP using templates.<br>Automatically saved into the system folder.<br>Load module to include into the VC. | `StationData` |
| `Parts.mod` | This includes the declaration of the data type `PartData`. | Created from MTPP when synchronize to the VC. | `PartData` |
| `Gripper.mod` | This includes the declaration of the data types `GrpData` and `ToolData`. | Created from MTPP when synchronize to the VC. | `GripData` |
| `Cycles.mod` | Contains the cycle logic for handling the part. | Created from MTPP<br>To be saved manually into the system folder.<br>Load module to include into the VC. | |

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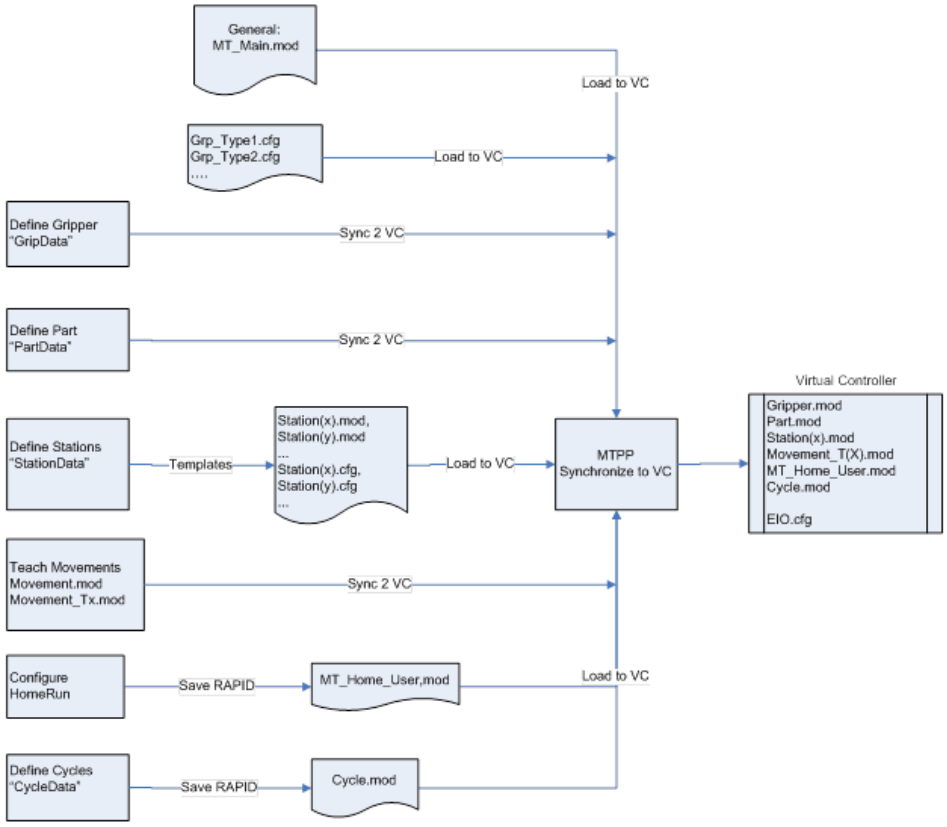
| Module | Description | Source | RobotWare Machine Tending Data type |
|---|---|---|---|
| MT_Home_User.mod | Contains the strategy to move the robot to the home position. | Created from MTPP.<br>To be saved manually into the system folder.<br>Load module to include into the VC. | |
| Movement_T(X).mod | Contains movement routines for the station and cell. There can be several movement modules for each part type. | Created from MTPP when synchronize to the VC. | |

The process of project modules being created on the VC is shown in the following image:

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## 3.3 Setting up the Machine Tending system

**Installation and system generation**

Use the following procedure to install and create a RWMT system:

1. Install RobotStudio 6.0 or higher on you PC.
2. Open RobotStudio and click the **Controller** tab.
3. Click **Installation Manager**.

   The **Installation Manager** window is displayed.
4. Click **Controllers**, and then click the **Virtual** tab.
5. Click **New**.

   The **Create New** window opens.
6. In the **Name** field, type a name for the new system.
7. Click **Next**.

   The **Products** tab is displayed.
8. Click **Add**.

   The **Select Product** window opens.
9. Click **Browse** and select the product manifest file of RobotWare, and click **Open**.

   The selected product is added to the **Added Product(s)** window.
10. Click on **Add** again.

    The **Select Product** window opens.
11. Click **Browse** and select the product manifest of Robotware Machine Tending and click **Open**.

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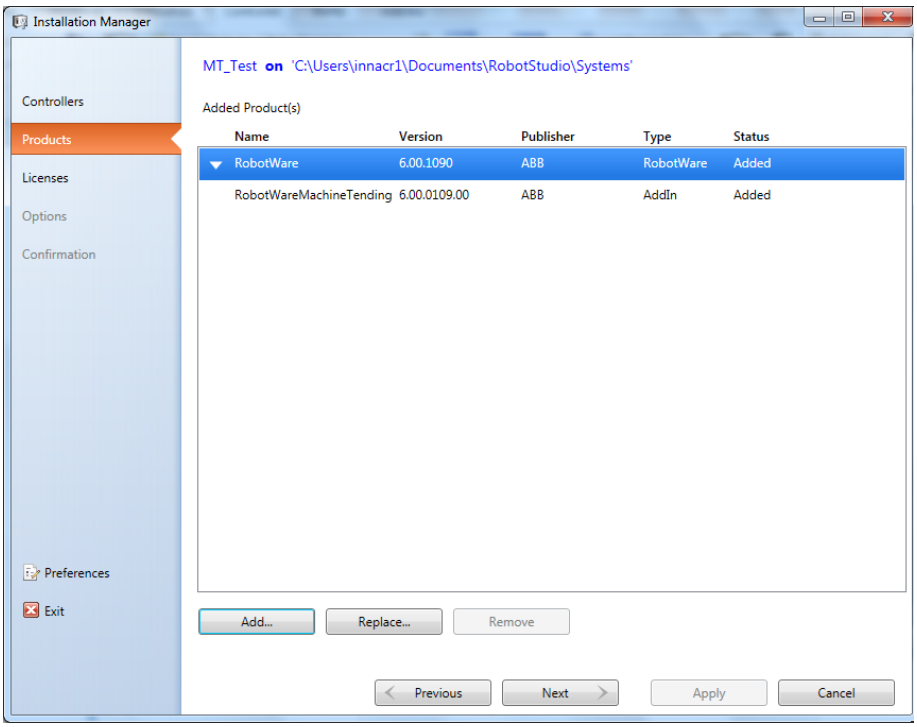
The selected Robotware Machine Tending product is added to the **Added Product(s)** window.

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12 Click **Next**.

The **Licenses** tab is displayed.

13 Click **Add**.

The **Select License** window is displayed.

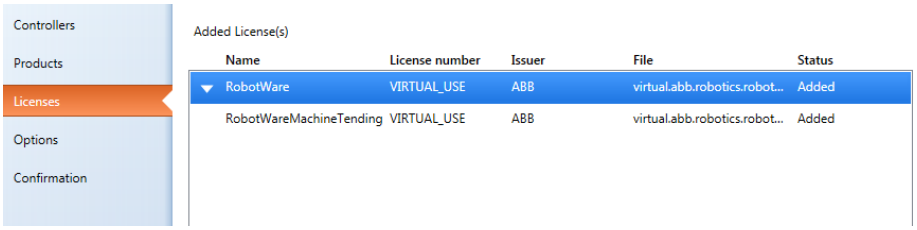
14 Click **Browse**, select the Robotware license file, and click **Open**.

The Robotware license file is added to the **Added License(s)** window.

15 Repeat the same step to add RobotWare Machine Tending License files to your system.

**Note**

For working with Virtual Controller add the RWMT virtual license. To work with real controller two RWMT licenses should be added.

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16 Click **Next**.

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The **Options** tab is displayed. This tab displays the **System Options**, **Drive Modules**, and **Applications**. You can customize your options here.

17 Click the **Applications** tab and select the **1167-1 RW Machine Tending** option from the **Application Machine Tending** group.

18 Click **Next**.

The **Confirmation** tab is displayed and shows an overview of the selected options.

19 Click **Apply**.

The **Apply Changes** confirmation window is displayed.

20 Click **Yes**.

The added products (RobotWare and RWMT) are installed and the system is created.

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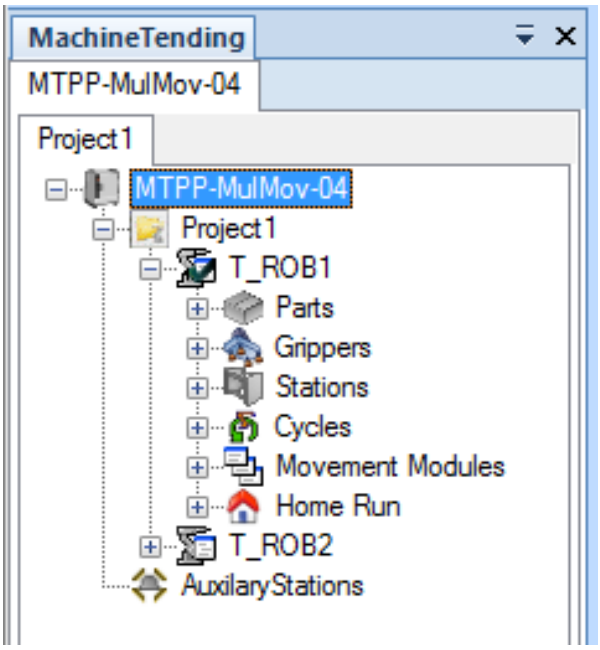
# 4 User interface

## 4.1 Machine Tending browser tree

### Overview

The tree structure of the Machine Tending browser provides an overview of the tasks, stations, grippers, parts, cycles, auxiliary stations, and so on.

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The Machine Tending components are displayed on the browser tree and each component is associated with a task. When you select a particular Machine Tending component on the browser tree, the task associated with the selected component will become the active task.

**Note**

Any active window always populates data for the selected active task. To view the data from other tasks, close the window, make the desired task as the active task, and reopen the window.

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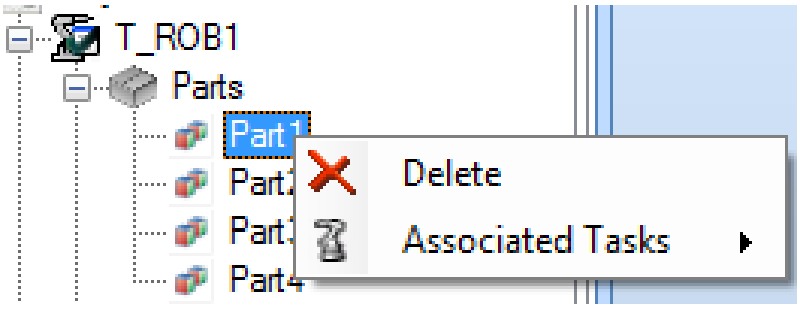
### Parts

Parts node allows to delete a selected part or associate the selected part to tasks.

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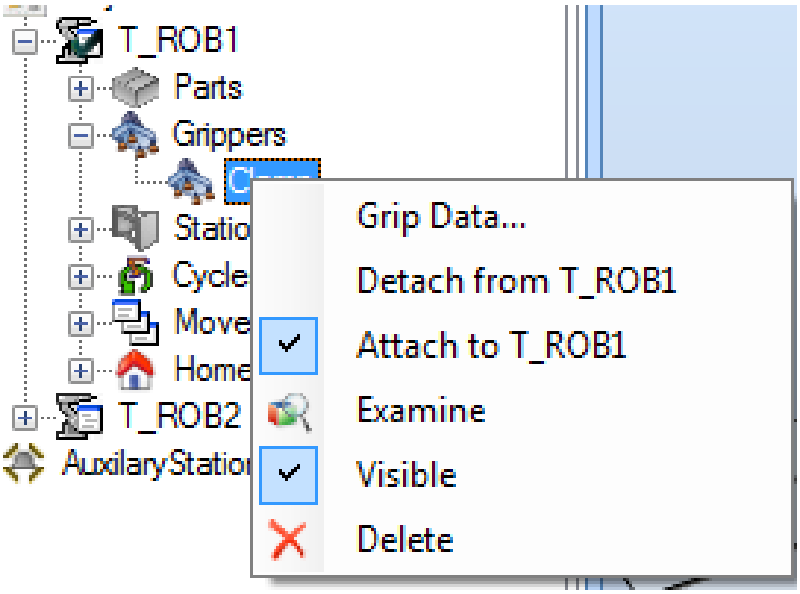
For more details about managing parts, see *Part data on page 70*.

### Grippers

The grippers node allows you to manage the gripper from browser tree.

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The grippers node allows you to perform the following actions:

| Options | Description |
|---|---|
| Grip Data | The data type GripData is used to control the gripper operations in RobotWare Machine Tending. For more details, see *Editing GripData on page 38*. |
| Detaches from ... | Detaches the selected gripper from a task. |
| Attach to ... | Attaches the selected gripper to a task. |
| Examine | Navigate to the location of gripper in graphical view. |
| Visible | Displays or hides the selected component. |
| Delete | Deletes the selected gripper from the robot. |

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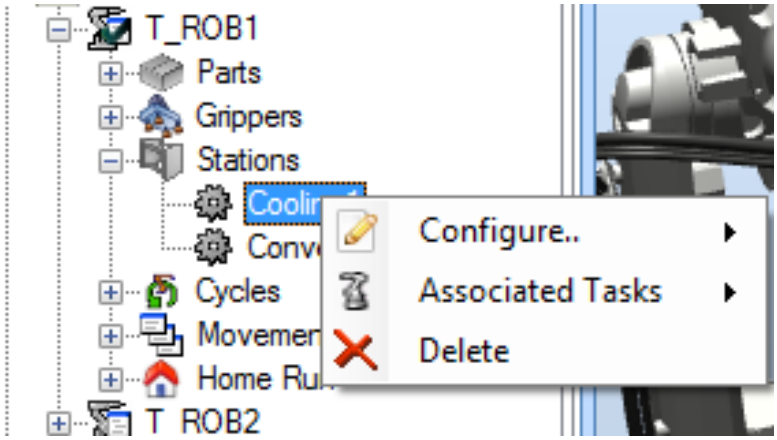
### Stations

Station node allows you to configure the station variables and station signals. You can also associate station to more than one task using the **Associate Tasks** option.

> **Note**
>
> The **Associate Tasks** option is available only in the case of MultiMove systems.

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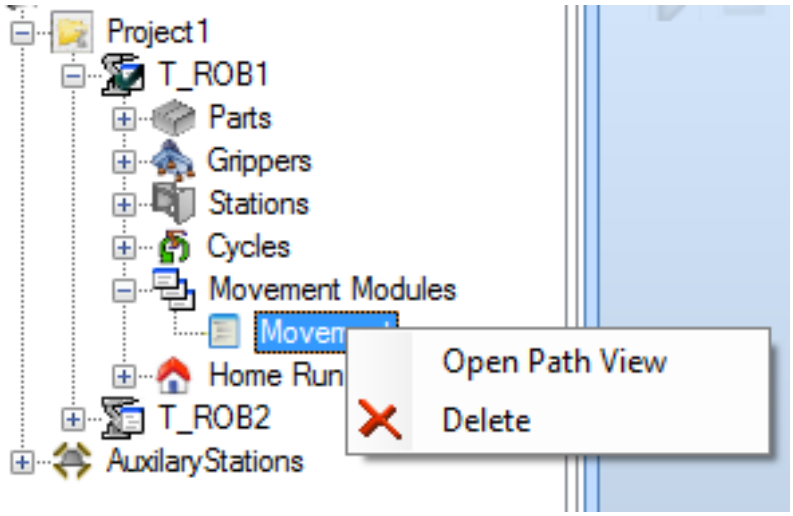
### Movement modules

Movement module node allows you to open path view or delete a movement module.

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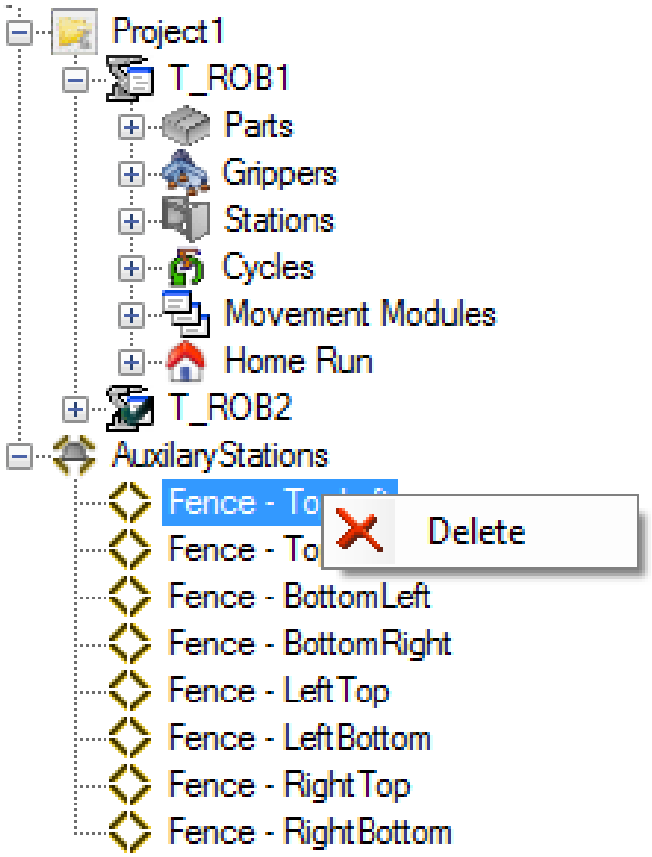
**Auxiliary stations**

Displays the details of the fence added to the station.

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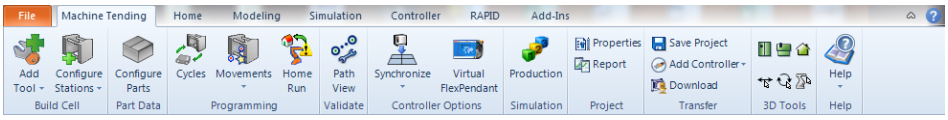
You can delete the whole fence or a part of the fence from the browser tree.

## 4.2 Machine Tending ribbon

### 4.2.1 Introduction

**Overview**

Click the Machine Tending tab, the Machine Tending page is displayed. The following image and table provides details about the elements in the Machine Tending ribbon.

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| Group | Button | Description |
|---|---|---|
| **Build Cell** | **Add Tool** | Allows you to import a tool library into RobotStudio and attaches the selected tool to the robot. |
| | **Configure Stations** | Allows you to add a station to the cell. |
| **Part Data** | **Configure Parts** | Allows you to configure part data. |
| **Programming** | **Cycles** | Allows you to build the cycle data and define the cycle logic. |
| | **Movements** | Allows you to define movements between stations or within stations. |
| | **Home Run** | Allows you to ensure that the robot reaches the Home position from any position in the cell. |
| **Validate** | **Path View** | Displays the targets in a path by representing them with instruction icons. |
| **Controller Options** | **Synchronize to RAPID** | Allows you to synchronize the selected program on the browser to virtual controller |
| | **Virtual FlexPendant** | Allows you to open the virtual FlexPendant. |
| **Simulation** | **Production** | Allows you to enable simulation of cycles in RobotStudio. |
| **Project** | **Properties** | Allows you to manage a selected project. |
| | **Report** | Allows you to generate project reports in .doc format for reference purpose. |
| **Transfer** | **Save Project** | Allows you to save a selected project. |
| | **Add Controller** | Allows you to manage controller. |
| | **Download** | Allows you to download a project to the selected controller. |

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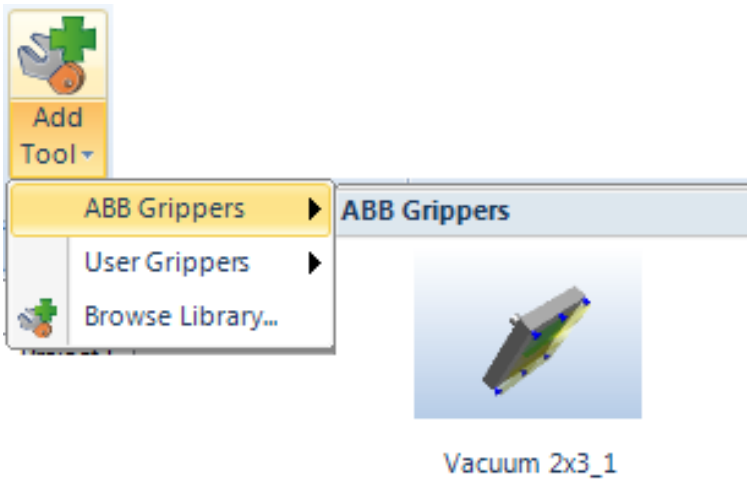
| Group | Button | Description |
|---|---|---|
| **3D Tools** | View and Move tools | Tools in the **3D Tools** group allows you to manage the movement of the robot, and manage the view of the robot system.<br>•  - The **Top** tool displays the top view of the station with reference to the coordinate system.<br>•  - The **Front** tool displays the front view of the station with reference to the coordinate system.<br>•  - The **Right** tool displays the right view of the station with reference to the coordinate system.<br>•  - The **Move** tool allows you to drag an item relative to the reference coordinate system.<br>•  - The **Rotate** tool allows you to enable rotation around the various axes of an object determined by the reference coordinate system.<br>•  - The **Jog Joint** tool allows you to jog the different axes of a robot. |
| **Help** | Manual | Displays the Online Help. |
| | About | Displays the product version and support contact information. |

## 4.2.2 Build cell

### 4.2.2.1 Add tool

**Adding tool**

The **Add Tool** option imports a tool library into RobotStudio and attaches the selected tool to the robot. Adding a tool is the first step to build a cell with different stations.

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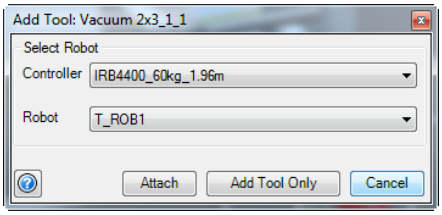
To add a tool:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Add Tool**.<br>The **Add Tool** menu is displayed. | |
| 2 | Select **ABB Grippers**.<br>The **Add Tool** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000359 |
| 3 | Select a controller from the **Controller** list and a robot from the **Robot** list. | |

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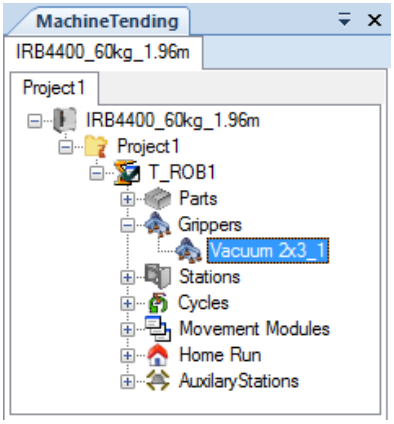
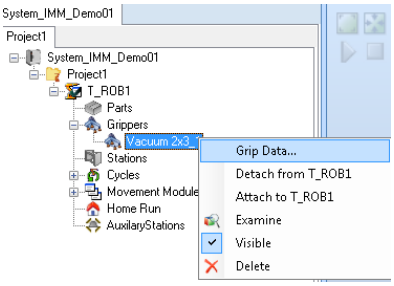
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | Click **Attach**.<br>The gripper is attached to the robot and is listed under the browser tree. |  <br>xx1300000495<br>The **Add Tool Only** option attaches the gripper to the station, but not attaches the same to the robot. |

The tool added from PowerPac includes the `ToolData` and `GripData` declarations which are used in the stations.

## Editing GripData

The data type `GripData` is used to control the gripper operations in RobotWare Machine Tending. The Grippers attached to the Robot are listed under the browser tree.

To edit `GripData`:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Right-click on the gripper tool in the Browser tree and select **Grip Data...** from the browser tree.<br>The editor for `ToolData` and `GripData` is displayed. By default, the tool includes definitions of `ToolData` and two `GripData`. |  <br>xx1300000546 |

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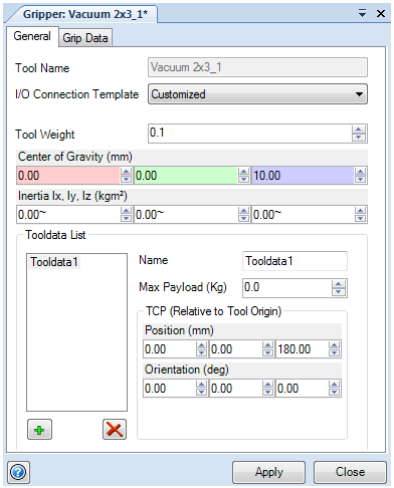
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 2 | In the **General** tab, you can edit `ToolData`. |  <br>xx1300000547<br><br>Click  to create ToolData or click  to delete a selected Tooldata.<br><br>**Note**<br><br>If a ToolData is used in a station then it is not possible to delete the ToolData. |

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### 4.2.2.1 Add tool

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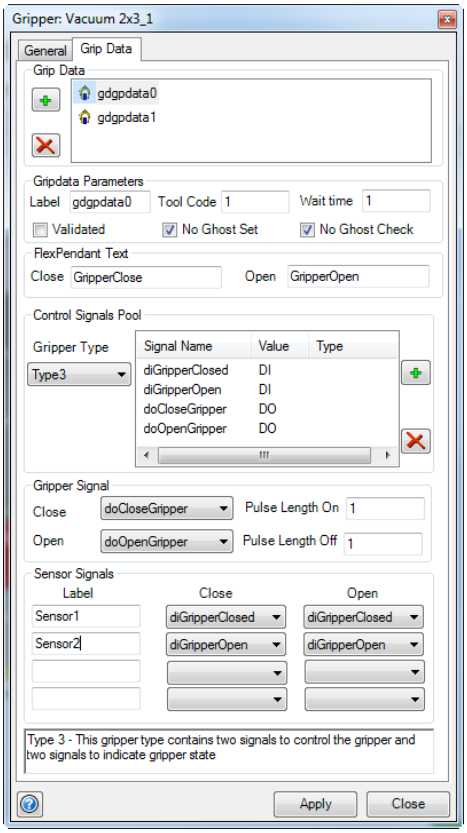
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 3 | In the **Grip Data** tab, you can edit `GripData`. Select a `GripData` to display and edit the parameters.<br>The complete list of properties can be accessed from the *Application manual - RobotWare Machine Tending*. |  <br>xx1300000360<br>You can add, delete, or edit the RobotWare Machine Tending data type `GripData` from this tab. This is used to control the gripper actions and is used in RAPID together the instruction `MT_GripSet`. There can be several `GripData` used in an application.<br>Click  to add a new `GripData` or click  to delete a selected `GripData`. The signals for closing and opening the gripper (DO) and sensor signals (DI) can be selected. This process is made simple by providing a signal pool from where you can choose the signals. The signals can be easily added to this pool by choosing a gripper type which represents the tool being used. |
| 4 | Click **Apply**.<br>The changes in the `ToolData` and `GripData` are saved in the gripper. | After synchronizing to the VC, the corresponding data types are declared under the *Gripper.mod* module in the controller. |

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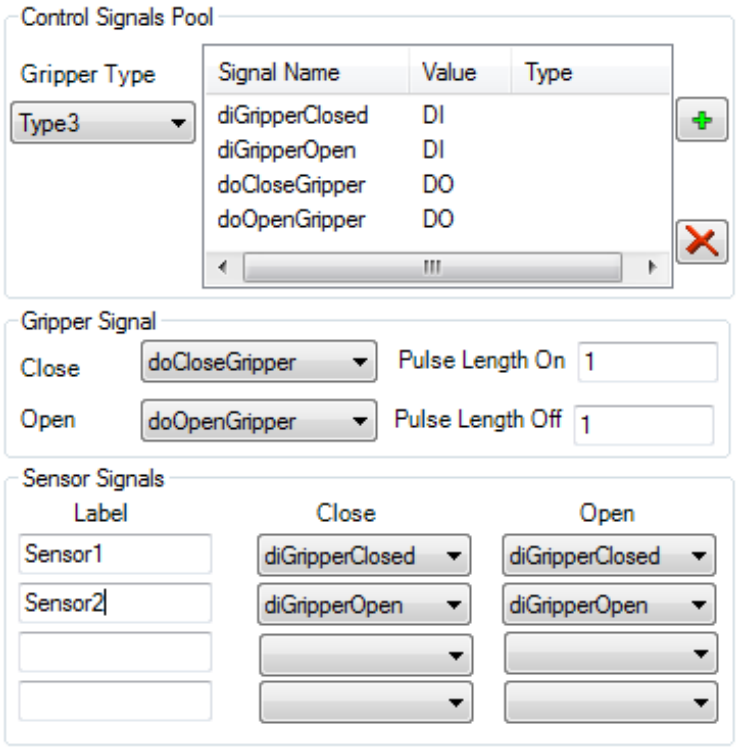
### Controls signals pool

In the `GripData` declaration, you must select the signals for closing and opening the gripper (DI) and sensor signals to indicate whether the gripper is closed or opened (DO). This process is made simple by providing a signal pool from where you can choose the signals.

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The signals can be easily added to this pool by choosing a gripper type which represents the tool being used. The different signal types are listed in the following table.

| Type | Description |
|---|---|
| Type1 | Contains one signal to control the gripper operation. |
| Type2 | Contains two signals to control the gripper operation. |
| Type3 | Contains two signals to control the gripper and two signals to indicate gripper state. |
| Type4 | Contains two signals to control the gripper. One signal to indicate gripper is open and another to indicate whether the gripper is closed completely, this indicates whether part is gripped or not. |
| Type5 | Contains two signals to control the gripper. One signal to indicate whether the gripper is closed completely and another signal to indicate whether the part is in the gripper. |
| Type6 | Contains two signals to control the vacuum gripper. One signal is to indicate whether the vacuum is OK. |

You can add signals from the controller to the **Control Signals Pool** using the button.

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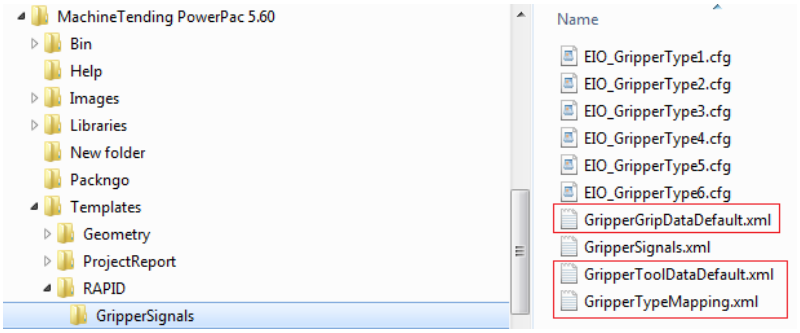
**MTPP gripper settings**

For default grippers installed with Machine Tending PowerPac, each gripper is associated with

- default tooldata
- default gripper type mapping
- default gripdata

This association is defined in an *.xml file in the installation folder as shown.

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The gripdata parameters are populated based on these files. You can modify the “GripperGripDataDefault.xml"” file and “GripperTypeMapping.xml” file for editing these default associations or adding associations for a new gripper.

## 4.2.2.2 Configure stations

### 4.2.2.2.1 Configuring a station

**Introduction**

In MTPP, a station represents the equipment which is used to process the part. The Machine Tending PowerPac categorizes the stations into the following three types.

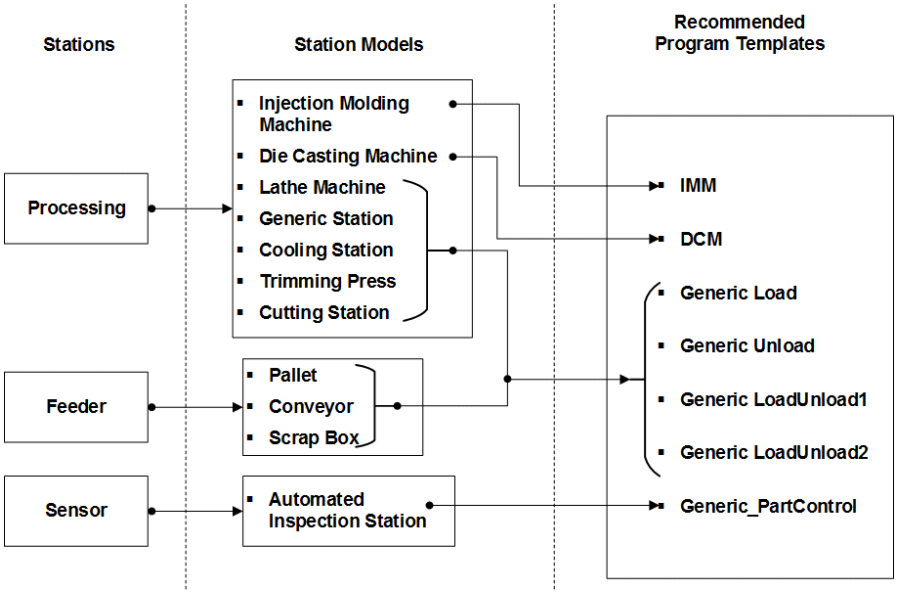
- **Processing** - The Processing station is any generic station which operates on a part and works on it, giving it a different physical form and contributes to the change of its appearance and properties. For example, Injection Molding Machine (IMM), Die Casting Machine (DCM), Lathe Machine, Cutting Station, Cooling Station, Trimming Press, and Generic station.
- **Sensor** - The Sensor station is a machinery which has sensors and inspects a part depending on the inspection criteria as defined, to consider the part or reject it. For example, Automated Inspection station.
- **Feeder** - The Feeder station is a machinery which is used to move or transport a part from one location in the cell to other. For example, Conveyor, Pallet, and Scrap Box.

The MTPP station component has the following associated files:

- Station.xml
- Station.lib
- Station.cfg

The details about these files are explained in the Templates section.

The process for adding stations is illustrated in the following figure.

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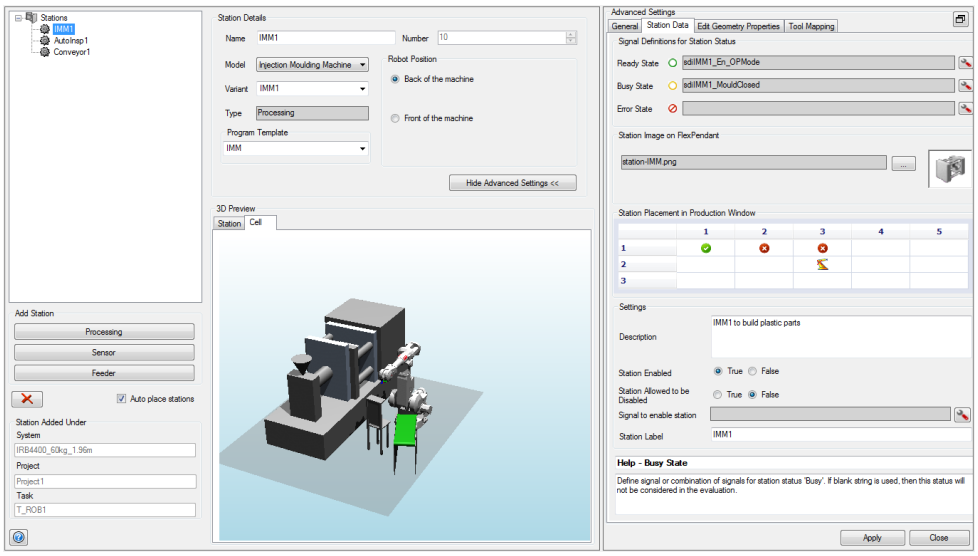
## Adding a station

You can add a station to the cell using the **Configure Stations** window.

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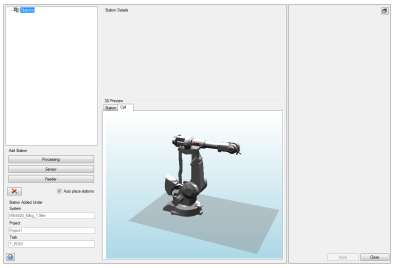
To add a station:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Configure Stations** > **Configure Stations** in the **Build Cell** group.<br>The **Configure Stations** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300002617 |

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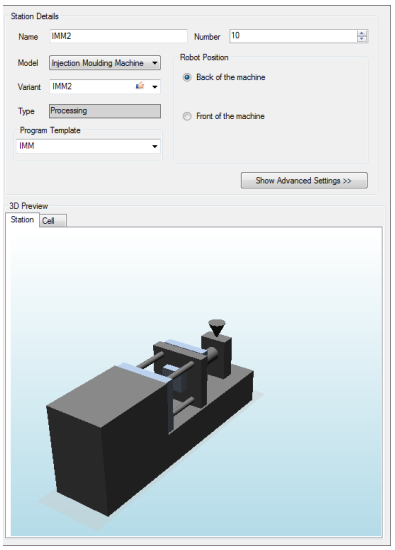
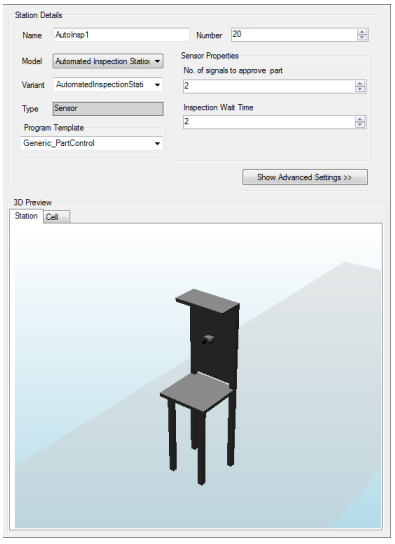
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 2 | Click **Processing**.<br>The **Station Details** window is displayed. | By default, for a processing station type, a Generic Station model is added.<br>For Processing stations IMM/DCM model, there are options to place the station either front or back of the machine.<br>  <br><br>xx1300002618 |
| 3 | Click **Sensor**.<br>The **Station Details** window is displayed. | For Inspection stations, you can define the number of signals in the station and the time the robot waits at the station.<br>  <br><br>xx1300002619 |

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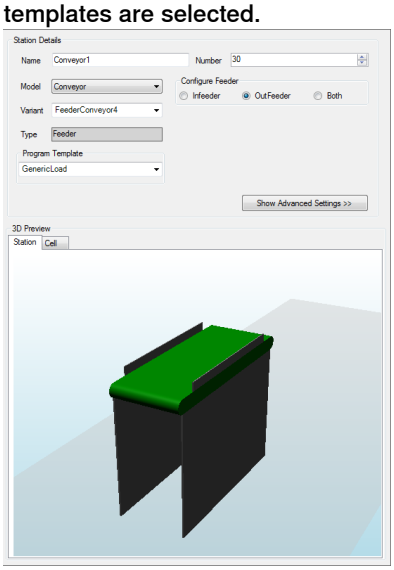
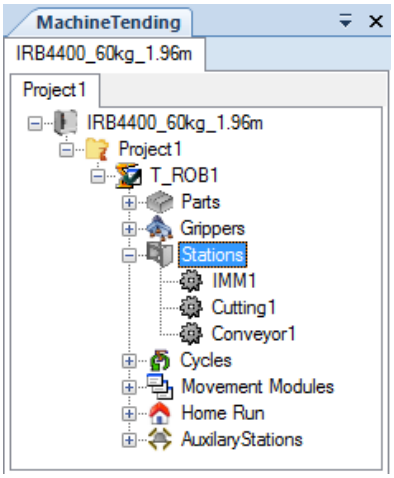
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | Click **Feeder**.<br>The **Station Details** window is displayed. | By default, for a feeder station type, a pallet station model is added.<br>For Feeder stations, you can choose the type of feeder, that is, whether infeeder or outfeeder or both, based on which the corresponding templates are selected.<br>  <br><br>xx1300002620 |
| 5 | Click **Apply**.<br>The station is included in the cell and listed under the browser tree. |  <br><br>xx1300000496<br>To customize a station, select the station and edit the station settings in the **Station Details** section. More more details see, *Editing a station on page 47*. |

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## Editing a station

### Editing a station

You can edit a station from the **Configure Stations** window.

To edit a station:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Configure Stations** in the **Build Cell** group.<br>The **Configure Stations** window is displayed. | |
| 2 | Select a station to edit from the **Stations** browser.<br>The details of the selected station is displayed in the **Station Details** section. | |
| 3 | Type a name for the station in the **Name** text box. | This name is used in the workobject, signals, and program module associated with the station.<br>**Note**<br>ABB recommends to use less than 10 characters for the station name, which is a valid RAPID name, as the template prefixes and suffixes this name in station signals. |
| 4 | Select a number for the station in the **Number** list. | Station numbers are displayed as multiples of 10. It is a unique number associated with a station, where the rob targets follow the number system pxx or pxxx. For example, the station number 10 has the targets p10, p11, p12 and so on. |
| 5 | Select a model for the station from the **Model** list. | The selected model is displayed in the 3D preview. |
| 6 | Select a variant for the station from the **Variant** list. | Every station model has some variants, which are in ascending order of the geometrical size.<br>The most suitable variant for the chosen robot is represented with a thumps up symbol in the **Variant** list. |
| 7 | Select a template from the **Program Template** list. | For the selected model a template is pre selected. It is possible to change the template. For more information on templates refer to the *Program template on page 53* chapter. |
| 8 | Click **Show Advanced Settings** to edit more settings. | The following sections provide more details about editing the tabs in **Advanced Settings** section.<br>• *Advanced settings - General on page 48*<br>• *Advanced settings - Station data on page 49*<br>• *Advanced settings - Edit geometry properties on page 51*<br>• *Advanced settings - Tool mapping on page 52* |

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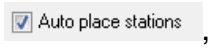
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 9 | Click **Apply**.<br>The changes are saved. | For some stations, additional options can be selected which simplify the station creation process. |

**Deleting a station**

Click  to delete a selected station from the **Stations** section.

**Auto placement of stations**

If you select the **Auto place stations** check box 

, all the stations placement are updated whenever a station is added, deleted, or edited. If the **Auto place stations** check box is not selected then a new station is placed in the base position.

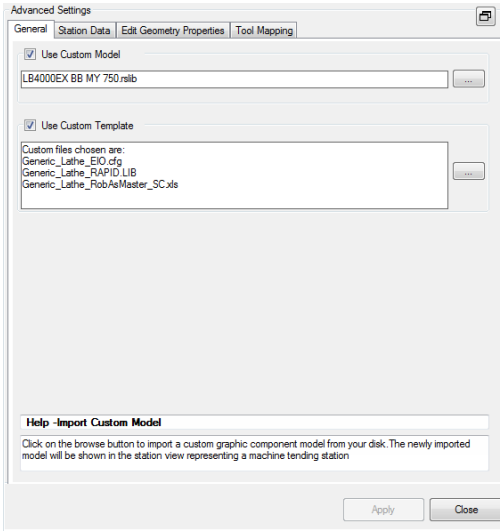
**Tip**

While adding or deleting a station, it is suggested to clear the **Auto place stations** check box to avoid accidentally updating the placement of all the other stations in the cell.

**Advanced settings - General**

Use a customized model

The **General** tab provides settings for importing custom models for stations.

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To import a custom model:

| Action | Description |
|---|---|
| Select the **Use Customized model** check box. | The browse button is enabled. |
| Browse and navigate to the folder location and select and import the required file. | The file is imported into RobotStudio. |

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To import custom templates:

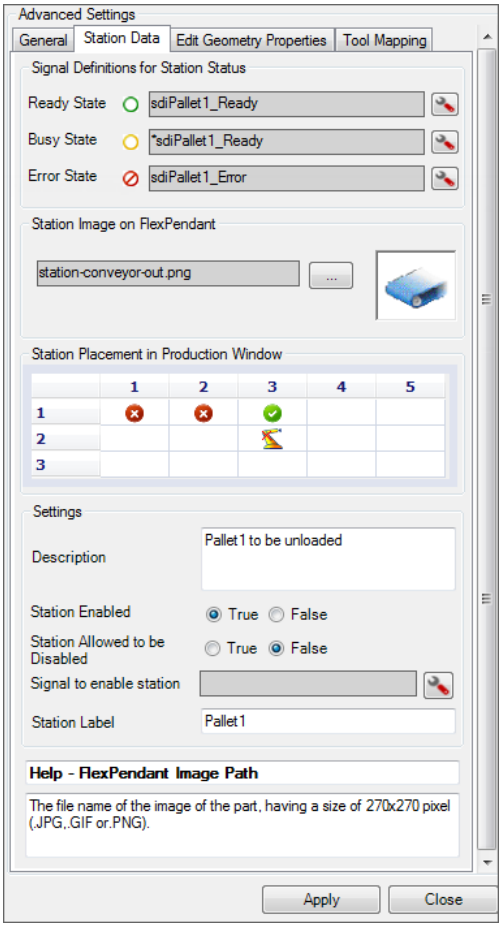
| Action | Description |
|---|---|
| Select the **Use Custom Template** check box. | The browse button is enabled. |
| Browse and navigate to the folder location and select and import the required files. | The templates are imported into PowerPac. |

For more information about creating custom stations, see *Custom models on page 60*.

## Advanced settings - Station data

### Station data

**StationData** is a data type associated with a station. The **StationData** tab allows you to edit the station data parameters. For more details about `stationdata`, see *Application manual - RobotWare Machine Tending*.

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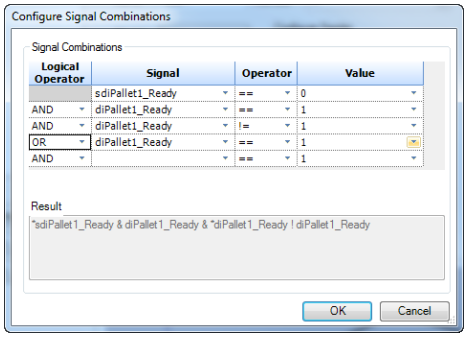
To edit station data:

| Action | Description |
|---|---|
| Click the configure icon  of a state in the **Signal Definitions for Station Status** section.<br>The **Configure Signal Combinations** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000377<br>The **Configure Signal Combinations** window displays the stations signals that can be used to configure the ready, busy, or error state for a station. |
| Edit the information in the **Signal Combinations** section. | While defining a combination of signals, RobotWare Machine Tending uses the following notations in the **Result** section:<br>• * - Invert the signal.<br>• & - AND connection.<br>• ! - OR connection.<br>For more information, see *Application manual - RobotWare Machine Tending*. |
| Click **OK**.<br>The editor closes and the new combination is displayed in the stationdata user interface. | The configure icon  in the **Signal to enable station** is used to edit a single signal. Multiple signals or signal combinations are not allowed in this section. |

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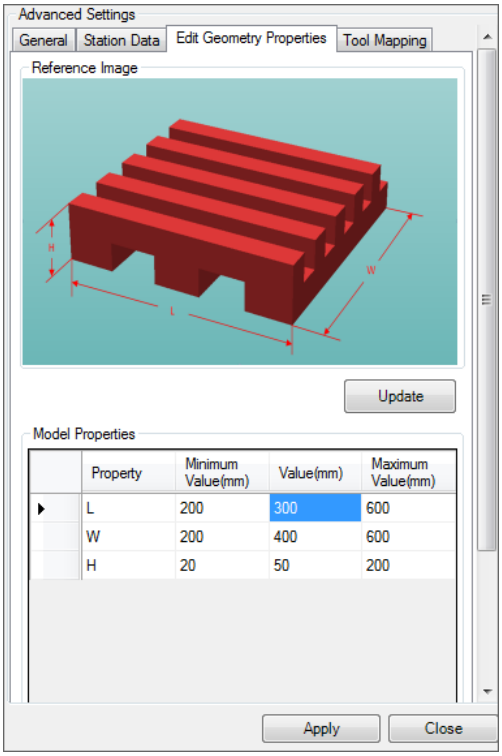
## Advanced settings - Edit geometry properties

### Edit geometry properties

The **Edit Geometry Properties** tab provides the settings to change the properties for a selected model and variant.

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To edit Geometry properties:

| Action | Description |
|---|---|
| Update values in the **Value (mm)** column. | The new value should be within the pre-defined minimum and maximum value range.<br>**Note**<br>If the value you typed is not within the pre-defined range, an exclamation mark symbol is displayed. |
| Click **Update**.<br>The updated geometry is displayed in the **3D Preview** section. | |

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4.2.2.2.1 Configuring a station
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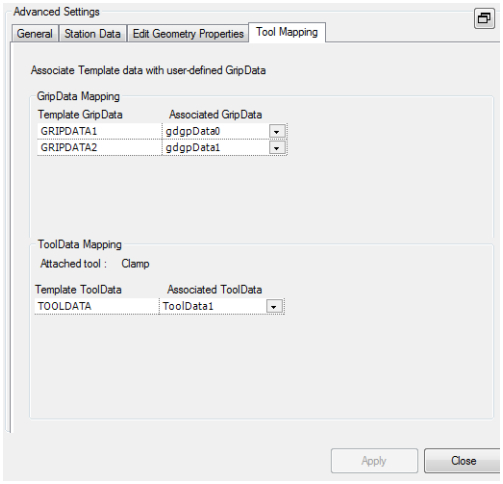
## Advanced settings - Tool mapping

### Tool mapping

The **Tool Mapping** tab provides the settings to choose `tooldata` and `gripdata`, to be associated with the corresponding station.

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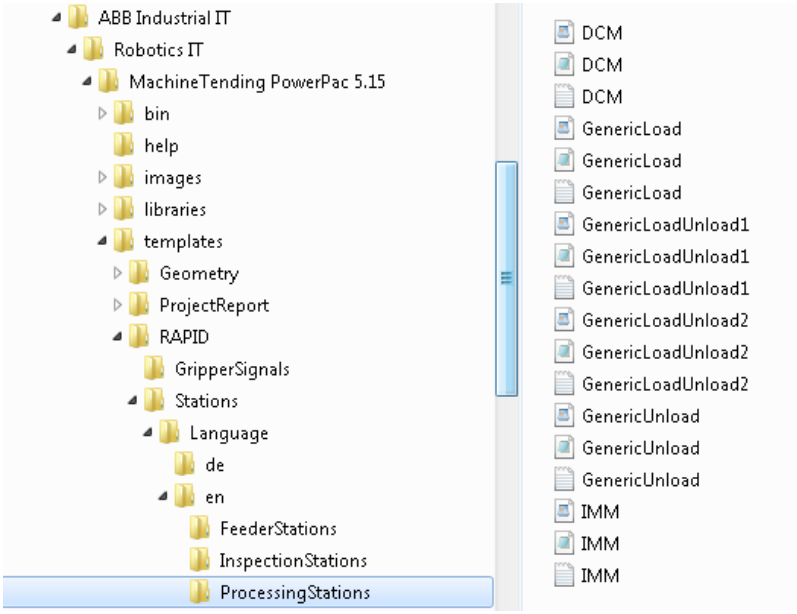
To edit tool mapping for a station:

| Action | Description |
|---|---|
| Click on **Associated GripData** dropdown list. | Displays all the gripdata associated with the active tool attached to the robot. |
| Click on **Associated ToolData** dropdown list. | Displays all the tooldata associated with the active tool attached to the robot. |
| Click **Apply**. | The selected gripdata and tooldata information is stored and will be used in the station.mod template on synchronizing to VC. For more details refer the section *Program template on page 53*. |

## 4.2.2.2.2 Program template

### Template

Templates are pre-defined RAPID modules installed together with MTPP. In the Machine Tending PowerPac there are predefined RAPID templates for each station type. You can choose the template that closely represent the stations being added. Whenever a station is created using a template, the corresponding station module and station data are updated and the station signals are created.

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The RAPID program for a station is generated using a template. There is a default mapping between a station model and the program template.

Templates are categorized depending on the type of the station. Following are the different templates:

- **GenericLoad** - Contains data declarations, signals and routine content related to loading of a station only. Generally, an outfeeder will use a GenericLoad Template for its program.
- **GenericUnload** - Contains data declarations, signals and routine content related to unloading of a station only. Generally, an infeeder will use a GenericUnload Template for its program.
- **GenericLoadUnload1** - Contains data declarations, signals and routine content related to loading and unloading of a station. This is the most commonly used template in MTPP.
- **GenericLoadUnload2** - Contains data declarations, signals and routine content related to loading and unloading of a station, with some additional handshaking signals. In MTPP, a lathe station is associated with a GenericLoadUnload2 template.
- **IMM** - Customized template which caters to an IMM, containing signals (Euromap standards), data declarations, routines and functions.

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- **DCM** - Customized template which caters to a DCM, containing signals , data declarations, routines and functions.
- **Generic_PartControl** - Customized template for an inspection station with wait time and number of inspection signals as configurable parameters.
- **GenericPalletizing**: Customized template for a feeder station, containing configurable parameters for the robot to place the part in a palletizing pattern.
- **No Template** - When you select this option no targets are created for the station and no signals are associated with the station. because this option does not associate any template for a station.

The installation folder of MTPP includes the following files for each template:

| File | Description |
|---|---|
| `<Template>.lib` | This is the RAPID file which describes the station handling. The RAPID module shall be created based on this file by replacing the `%xxxxx%` tags in the template with the station information. |
| `<Template>.cfg` | This the signal template which shall updated similar to the *.lib file and uploaded to the controller during Synchronize to VC. |
| `<Template>.xml` | The Station is a Smart Component. The `*.lib` file describes the relationship between the Station signals and the Smart component signals based on the logic of the station and the RAPID. |

The Template library (`*.lib`) has several XML style tags that guide to add content as described in the following table:

```
<STATIONMODULE>
<DESCRIPTION>
<\DESCRIPTION>
<DISCLAIMER>
<\DISCLAIMER>
<RULES>
<\RULES>
<\STATIONMODULE>

<MOTION>
<POSITION>
<\POSITION>
<GRIPDATA>
<\GRIPDATA>
<STATIONDATADECLARATION>
<\STATIONDATADECLARATION>
<DECLARATIONS>
<\DECLARATIONS>
<CODE>
<\CODE>
<\MOTION>
<HOMERUN>
<CODE>
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</HOMERUN>
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| Section | Description |
|---|---|
| <STATIONMODULE><br><\STATIONMODULE> | Describes the RAPID module. |
| <DESCRIPTION><br><\DESCRIPTION> | Describes the station information. This is displayed as a tool-tip in the 'Configure Station' feature. |
| <DISCLAIMER><br><\DISCLAIMER> | This is the disclaimer section. The content below is retained after the *.mod file is created. |
| <RULES><br><\RULES> | This section describes the rules about the content that are included and the sections that are removed or updated when the *.mod file is created. |
| <MOTION><br><\MOTION> | This section declares all the content that will be used in the <STATIONMODULE> section and the content to be created in the Movement module.<br>The content in this section is deleted when the *.mod file is created. |
| <POSITION><br><\POSITION> | All the positions that are used in the template are declared in this section. |
| <GRIPDATA><br><\GRIPDATA> | All the different GripData names used in the template are declared in this section.<br>In MTPP, GripData can be created and mapped to the corresponding template declarations in the Tool mapping section of "Configure Stations".<br>The GripData declaration itself is created in a separate module from MTPP. |
| <STATIONDATADECLARATION><br><\STATIONDATADECLARATION> | The StationData arguments are declared in this section. |
| <DECLARATIONS><br><\DECLARATIONS> | All the RobTargets to be created in a separate Movement module are declared in this section. |
| <CODE><br><\CODE> | All the movement routines to be defined in the Movement module are declared in this section.<br>The content in this section is deleted when the *.mod file is created. |
| <HOMERUN><br><\HOMERUN> | This section describes the content to be created in the Home run module (MT_HOME_User.mod). |
| <CODE><br><\CODE> | The strategy for the positions to move to the Home position are declared in this section. |

The Template XML file describes the behavior of the station smart component. It includes the:

- Initial state of the station (signal state), whether Open or Close, values. This represents a state of the station during simulation start.
- Description of station signals to be set or reset based on the working of the station.

To create a new template,

- Copy and modify an existing template (*.lib) file.
- Create the corresponding cfg file.
- Create XML file which describes the signal relationship between station SC and controller.

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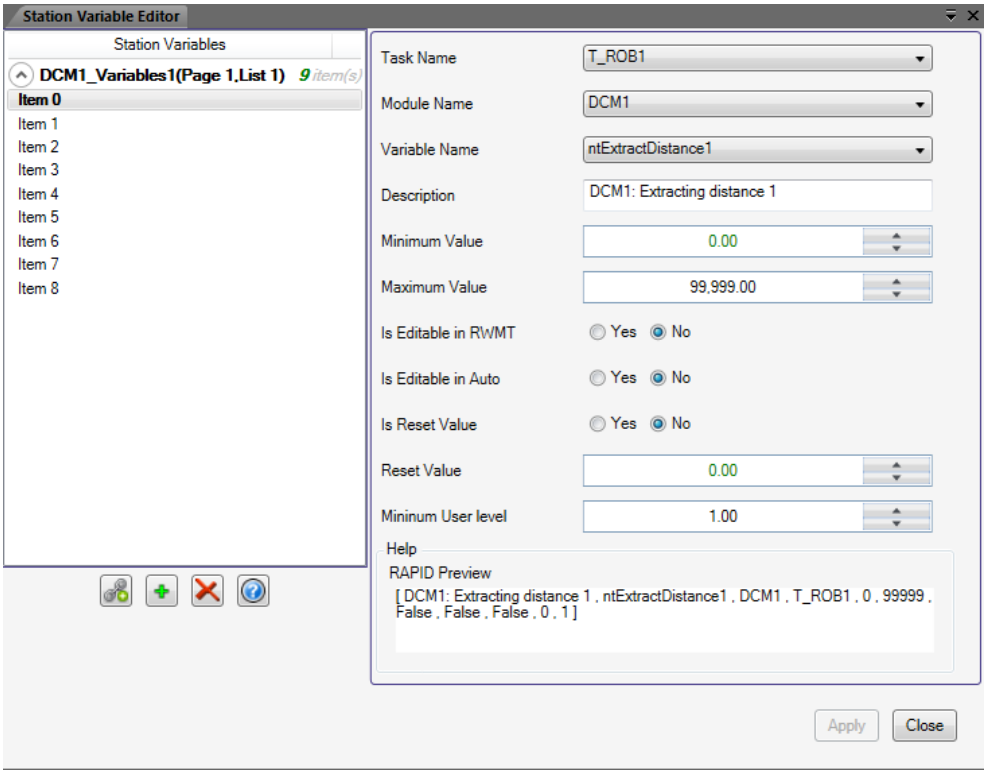
- In MTPP, this template is listed in Configure Stations.

## 4.2.2.2.3 Data editors

### Station variables editor

Right click on the station node and select **Configure** > **Station Variables**. The **Station Variable Editor** window is displayed.

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The **Station Variable Editor** window displays the variable lists corresponding to the program template associated with the selected station. The variables associated with a variable list are diplayed below it. Click on a variable to display its corresponding parameters. You can edit the parameters according to your requirement.

**Note**

The variable name parameter displays the station variables that are declared and used in the selected RAPID module. The variable name you select in the **Variable Name** field should not be used for other variables.

Click  to add a new variable list and click  to add a new variable to a selected variable list. Click  to delete a selected variable. If all the variables in a variable list are deleted, the variable list is automatically removed.

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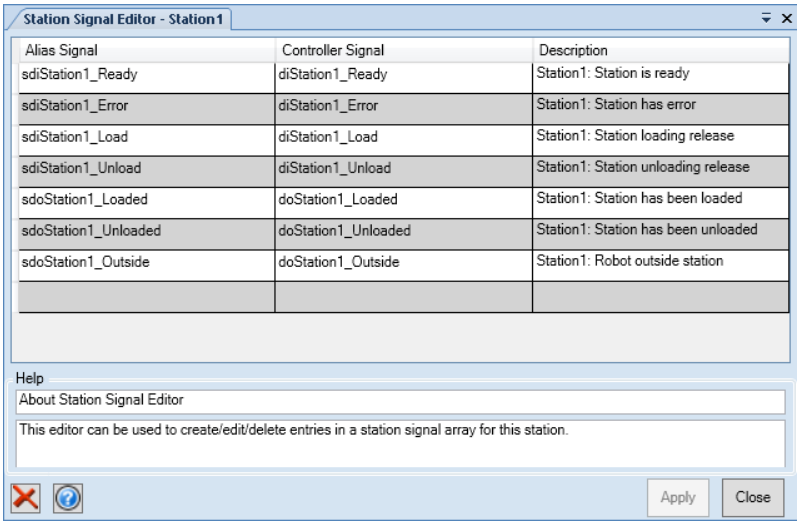
### Station signals editor

Right click on the station node and select **Configure** > **Station Signals**. The **Station Signal Editor** window is displayed.

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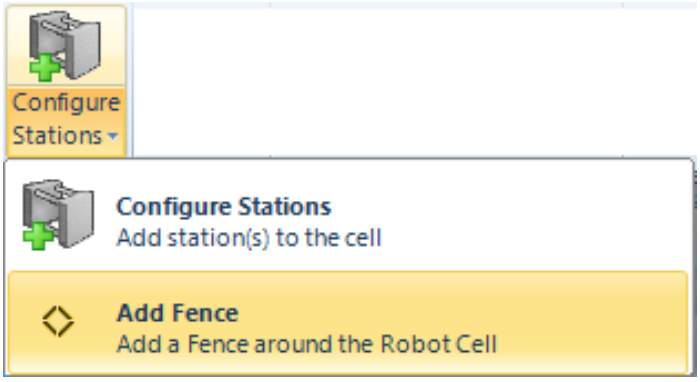
The **Station Signal Editor** window displays a list of alias signals and the corresponding controller signals. You can double click on a **Alias Signal** cell or a **Controller Signal** cell to display a signal drop-down list. Select a signal according to your requirement to change the mapping. You can map an alias signal only with one controller signal and vice versa. Double click on the **Description** cell to edit and change the description of a mapping. When you click the **Apply** button the changes are saved.

Use the last blank row of the list to define a new mapping. When you click the **Apply** button the mapping is created and a new blank row is added as the last row.

To delete a mapping, select the mapping and click the  button.

## 4.2.2.2.4 Add fence

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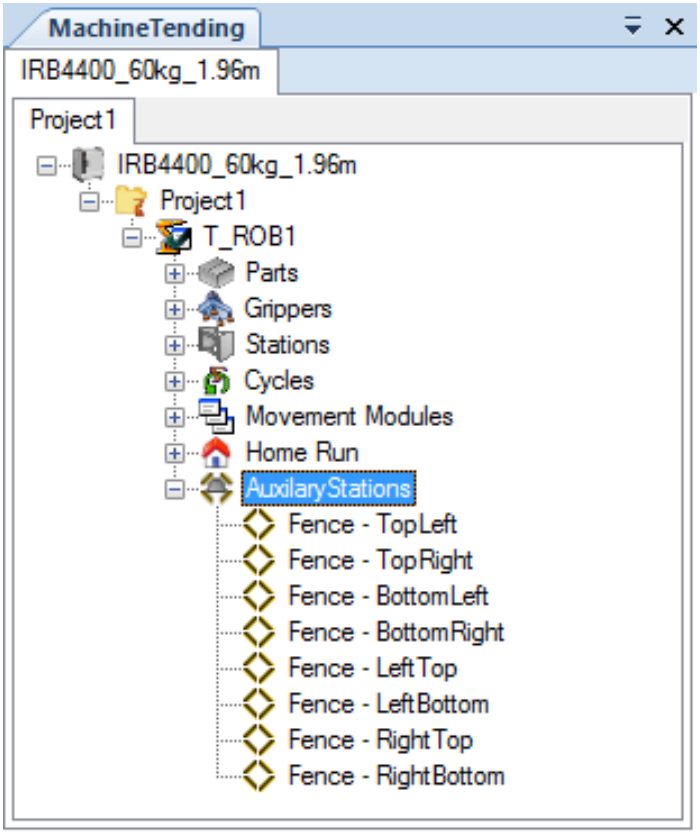
Click **Configure Stations** > **Add Fence** in the **Build Cell** group to add a fence around the robot cell. The fence segments are listed under the project browser tree.

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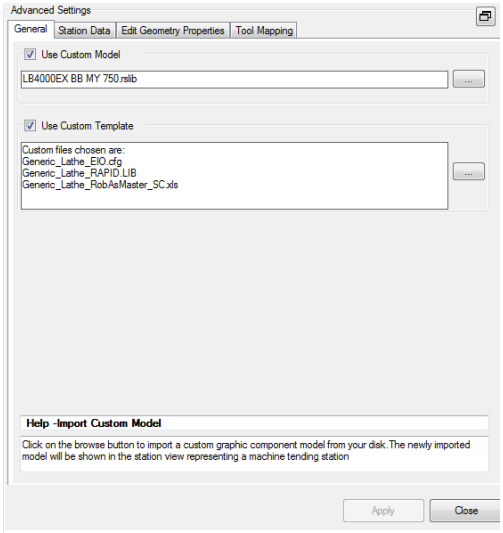
The fence segments can be individually selected and deleted.

## 4.2.2.2.5 Custom models

### Using custom models

You can select the custom station models and RAPID templates from the **Advanced Settings** tab in Configure Stations.

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The following steps describe the process for selecting the custom station models and RAPID templates.

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Browse to select the custom Station library (`*.rslib`) | |
| 2 | Browse to select its corresponding templates. | **Note**<br>All the three template files must be selected.<br>The following are the available templates:<br>• RAPID Template (`*.lib`): For handling the stations.<br>• I/O configuration (`*.cfg`): For handling the station signals.<br>• Signal mapping excel (`*.xls`): For creating the station smart component. |
| 3 | Click **Apply**. | |

A custom station model can be used together with a default template. The station smart component is created based on the templates. You need to manually verify the station smart component for desired behavior.

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The added custom stations are auto-placed at an offset from the robot base frame and you should manually reposition this custom station to a desired position.

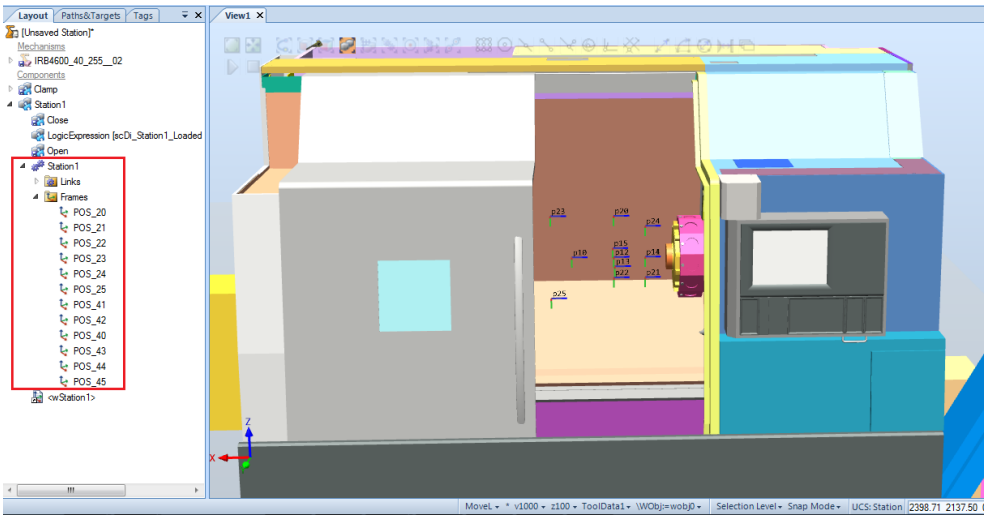
**Tip**

If a custom station model is selected to be used, then it is recommended to create its corresponding signal mapping excel (`*.xls`) to ensure that the smart component behaves as expected, based on the mechanism. Use the same file name for the custom template files of a particular station.

Following are some of the conditions for the selected custom model libraries:

- The model must be a mechanism with utmost one mechanism.
- It cannot be a smart component. The default behavior of the smart component is defined, based on the selected signal mapping excel. Hence it is not recommended to use a pre-defined smart component.
- The model is associated with its corresponding templates.
- The mechanism of the selected model must have Frames defined. The RobTargets are created at the Frame locations based on the RAPID templates.
- The frame naming convention:
  - The frames should be named as `POS_#` where # is an integer. For example, `POS_10`, `POS_11`, `POS_12`, and so on.
  - The sequence and count of frames should follow the target definitions in Station RAPID template. That is, there should be same number of frames in the model as the number of targets in the RAPID template.

Example, Okuma Lathe Model containing 12 frames and corresponding targets.

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**Note**

If the number of targets in a station template exceeds 10, then select the sation number of the next station so that there are no conflicts in the target numbering.

## 4.2.2.2.6 Excel approach for creating the smart component for stations

### Introduction

Overview

In MTPP, the smart component of a station is created based on the mechanism and an Excel (*.xls) file which defines the following:

- Input and output signals exchanged between the station and the controller.
- Different States of the mechanism (for example, Machine Door Open, Machine Door Close)
- Relation between the inputs, outputs, and machine states.

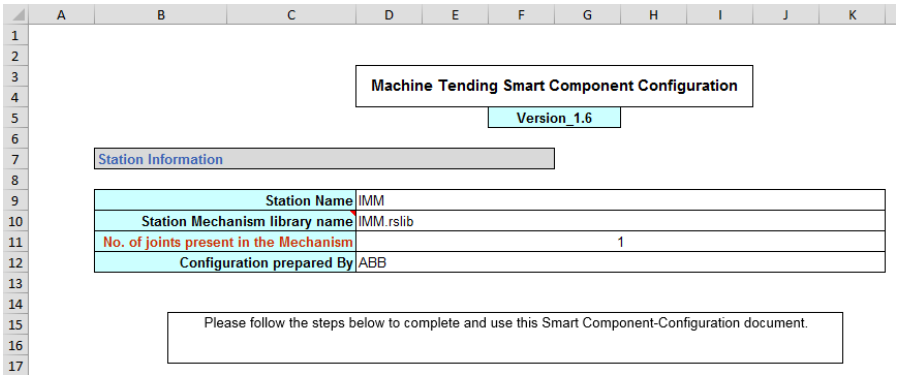
The excel file consists of the following worksheets:

- **Admin Sheet**
- **Step1_Define_Signals**
- **Step2_Define_Machine_States**
- **Step3_Define_Behavior**
- **Template revision History**

### Admin sheet

Overview

The admin sheet contains the step-by-step information about using the excel file and the information about the associated machine model.

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| Labels | Description |
|---|---|
| **Station Name** | Displays the name of the station with which the excel template is used. |
| **Station Mechanism library name** | Displays the name of the mechanism for which the excel template is being prepared. |
| **No. of Joints present in the Mechanism** | Type the number of joints present in the library. If there are no joints then type ‘0’. This field should not be left empty. |
| **Configuration prepared By** | Displays the name of the administrator who prepared template. |

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## Step1_Define_Signals

### Overview

The **Step1_Define_Signals** worksheet contains a table consisting of mapping of controller signals and the respective smart component signals.

Enter the Controller Signal Name and the Controller Signal Type in the respective columns. The corresponding Smart Component signals are generated automatically.

| | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | Update Signal List | |
| 4 | | Controller Signals | | Smart Component Signals | | |
| 5 | | Signal Name | Signal Type | Signal Name | Signal Type | Default Value |
| 6 | | di%STATION%_MouldOpenPos | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_MouldOpenPos | Digital Output | 0 |
| 7 | | di%STATION%_Ejec_BackPos | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_Ejec_BackPos | Digital Output | 0 |
| 8 | | di%STATION%_Ejec_ForwPos | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_Ejec_ForwPos | Digital Output | 0 |
| 9 | | di%STATION%_CorePullPos1 | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_CorePullPos1 | Digital Output | 0 |
| 10 | | di%STATION%_CorePullPos2 | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_CorePullPos2 | Digital Output | 0 |
| 11 | | di%STATION%_Reject | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_Reject | Digital Output | 0 |
| 12 | | di%STATION%_En_OPMode | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_En_OPMode | Digital Output | 0 |
| 13 | | di%STATION%_MouldClosed | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_MouldClosed | Digital Output | 0 |
| 14 | | di%STATION%_InterMouldPos | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_InterMouldPos | Digital Output | 0 |
| 15 | | di%STATION%_NoPartAvaible | Digital Input | scDo_%STATION%_NoPartAvaible | Digital Output | 0 |
| 16 | | | | | | 0 |
| 17 | | do%STATION%_En_Mould | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_En_Mould | Digital Input | 0 |
| 18 | | do%STATION%_IRB_OPMode | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_IRB_OPMode | Digital Input | 0 |
| 19 | | do%STATION%_En_EjecBack | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_En_EjecBack | Digital Input | 0 |
| 20 | | do%STATION%_En_EjecForw | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_En_EjecForw | Digital Input | 0 |
| 21 | | do%STATION%_En_CPullPos1 | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_En_CPullPos1 | Digital Input | 0 |
| 22 | | do%STATION%_En_CPullPos2 | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_En_CPullPos2 | Digital Input | 0 |
| 23 | | do%STATION%_En_FMouldOp | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_En_FMouldOp | Digital Input | 0 |
| 24 | | do%STATION%_MouldAreaFree | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_MouldAreaFree | Digital Input | 0 |
| 25 | | do%STATION%_RESET | Digital Output | scDi_%STATION%_RESET | Digital Input | 0 |
| 26 | | | | | | 0 |

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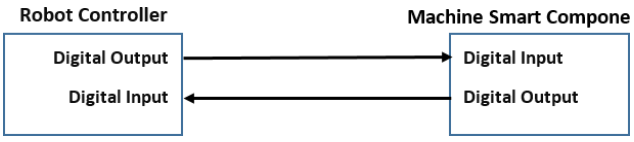
| Labels | Description |
|---|---|
| **Controller Signals** | This column is for defining the controller signals pertaining to the station.<br>Type the controller signal name in the **Signal Name** column and choose the corresponding signal type in the **Signal Type** column. See the section *Rules for filling the controller signal list on page 64* while entering the details. |
| **Smart Component Signals** | For the selected controller signals, the corresponding smart component signals are created automatically as indicated below.<br>  <br>xx1400001113<br>The digital output from a controller is received by the machine smart component as a digital input. Similarly, the digital output from a machine smart component is received by the robot controller as a `Digital Input`.<br>The Default Value column assigns the initial value to the smart component signal. The value can be either ‘0’ or ‘1’. |
| **Update Signal List** | After configuring all the desired signals, click this button to automatically update the list of signals. |

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> **Note**
>
> Do not modify the greyed-out columns under the **Smart Component Signals** section. If the smart component signals are not automatically generated, click the **Update Signal List** button.

Rules for filling the controller signal list

Following are the rules for filling the controller signal list:

- The digital input signals must be defined first followed by the digital output signals separated by an empty row.
- The digital input signals must be preceded by **di%STATION%_** and the digital output signals must be preceded by **do%STATION%_**.
- The controller signal names must match those contained in the controller signal configuration file (`*.cfg`).
- After the digital output signals of the controller are defined, it is mandatory to configure the digital output signal **do%STATION%_RESET**. This is a RobotStudio station signal used during production simulation to set the machine to initial state.
- Do not manually insert new rows or delete the existing rows. You are allowed to delete the contents of a row but not the row itself.

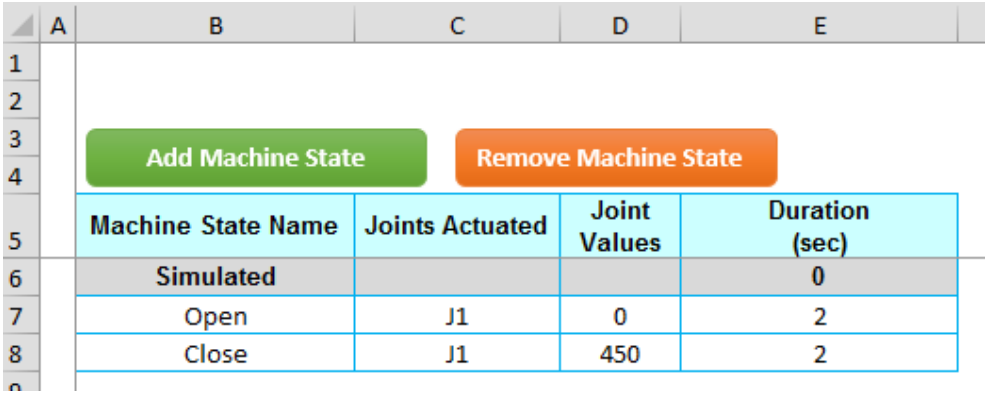
**Step2_Define_Machine_States**

Overview

A machine can have several states which are identified by joint positions. Example of machine states: Door Open, Door Close.

The **Step2_Define_Machine_States** worksheet allows to define Machine States with the corresponding values for the joints and the time taken to move the joint to the desired position.

The number of joints associated with a state is defined in the **Admin** worksheet by the **No. of Joints present in the Mechanism** field.

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In the example shown in the figure, there are two states configured apart from the default **Simulated** state.

- For the **Open** state, the joint `J1` is actuated. Joint ‘J1’ moves to the ‘0'mm position in a duration of 2 seconds.
- For the **Close** state, the joint `J1`’ is actuated. Joint ‘J1’ moves to the‘450'mm position in a duration of 2 seconds.

To configure the machine states:

| Action | Description |
|---|---|
| Click **Add Machine State** . | News rows are created. The number of rows created depends on the **No. of Joints present in the Mechanism** defined in the Admin worksheet. |
| In the **Machine State Name** column type the state name. | |
| For each joint in the machine state, type the joint values and the duration (in sec) in which it the joint has to move. | See the section *Rules for filling the table on page 65* while entering the details. |

### Rules for filling the table

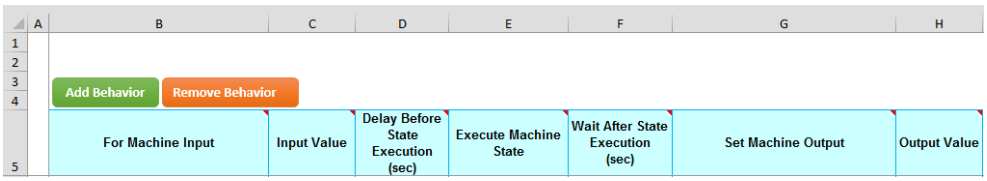
The following are the rules for filling this table:

- The default state **Simulated** should not be modified.
- The values in the **Joint Actuated** field are automatically filled and it should not be altered.
- All the joint values must be integers.
- To remove a machine state, select the Machine State Name cell and click the **Remove Machine State** button.
- Do not insert or delete rows manually. To add or remove a state, the respective buttons must be used.

## Step3_Define_Behavior

### Overview

The **Step3_Define_Behavior** worksheet allows to configure the machine response for inputs from the controller. The machine response can be a signal output, a joint movement or a combination of both.

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The following workflow should be considered while entering the details:


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To configure the machine behavior:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Add Behavior** | Create a set of rows for a machine input. |
| 2 | Click on the newly added cell in the **For Machine Input** column and select the machine input signal | The machine behavior is to be configured for this input.<br>A machine input can trigger several outputs. Each output is configured in a single row. The collection is called a **Behavior set** for the input signal. |
| 3 | For the selected machine input signal choose an input value. | |
| 4 | Select the machine state to be executed. | The machine states configured in the previous worksheet are available for selection. Choose a state from this drop-down list.<br>If there is no joint movement configured/expected for the triggered input, select the machine state as **Simulated**. |
| 5 | Select the machine output signal to be set. | The machine output is triggered after the machine state is executed.<br>Several output signals can be triggered simultaneously after a machine state is executed. In this scenario do not select the machine state for each output. |
| 6 | For the selected signal choose an output value. | |
| | Type a delay in the **Delay Before State Execution (sec)** column.<br>Type a delay in the **Wait After State Execution (sec)** column. | The machine state is executed after this delay when an input is received.<br>The machine output is set after this delay following the machine state execution. |

If a machine output depends on a combination of machine inputs, then this can be configured by typing the logic expression. The logic expression input should be separted by a space after each element. For example, `( SingalA AND SignalB ) OR ( SignalC AND SignalD NOT )`

When using the above expression as the machine input, this input is 1 when SignalA and SignalB are high or when Signal C is high and Signal D is low. The 'AND', 'OR', 'NOT', and 'XOR' logic are used for framing the expression.

Rules for using the sheet

The following rules are to be followed while using this sheet:

- Every machine state or output to be set should start from the first row of the behavior set for a machine input.

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- Do not copy-paste entries in the **Execute Machine State**, **Set Machine Output**, and the **Input Value**, and **Output Value** columns. Choose only from the drop-down lists.
- The last behavior set in this worksheet should be the station RESET condition which defines the initial state of the machine. The input signal should be **scDi_%STATION%_RESET**. This signal is triggered from the Production dialog. Only the machine ouput signals which are to be set the value '1' are to be selected in the RESET behavior. All other machine output signals shall be set to then value '0' when the RESET is triggered.
- If a machine input requires more outputs to be triggered, then insert a row within the behavior set of the Machine input.
- When choosing a Machine input, it is recommended to choose from the drop-down list. The exception is when a signal combination has to be configured in which case you have to type the conditions.
- If a machine state execution triggers several output signals, then do not choose the machine state for each of these output signals. The state selected initially is applicable for all the following output signals (This rule is also applicable for the simulated state.)
- The delay before execution is only applicable for a row where Machine state is selected. (This rule is also applicable for the simulated state.)
- Empty cells in the columns **Delay Before State Execution** and **Wait After State Execution** are considered as ‘0’ seconds delay.

Steps for configuring the machine behavior

Consider the IMM station (Injection Molding Machine) which has only one joint for the door. It has two user-defined machine states namely ‘Open’ for the door open state and ‘Close’ for the door close state. The station also has the default machine state called ‘Simulated’.

The processing of the injection molding machine is started by setting the input signal `scDi_%STATION%_En_Mould` to the ‘High’ state. Then the mold closes and the molding process starts. The mold opens after the process. Certain actions takes place and signals are set or reset during this process. The behavior set for this process is shown in the following figure along with the pictorial representation. Following are the assumptions considered while preparing this behavior set:

- Machine state **Close** takes 1 second
- Machine state **Open** takes 1 second
- Molding time is 2 seconds

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| For Machine Input | Input Value | Delay Before State Execution (sec) | Execute Machine State | Wait After State Execution (sec) | | Set Machine Output | Output Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| scDi_%STATION%_En_Mould | 1 | | Simulated | | A | scDo_%STATION%_MouldOpenPos | 0 |
| | | | | | B | scDo_%STATION%_InterMouldPos | 1 |
| | | | | 1 | C | scDo_%STATION%_CorePullPos1 | 0 |
| | | 1 | Close | | B | scDo_%STATION%_InterMouldPos | 0 |
| | | | | | E | scDo_%STATION%_MouldClosed | 1 |
| | | | | | F | scDo_%STATION%_NoPartAvaible | 1 |
| | | | | 1 | C | scDo_%STATION%_CorePullPos1 | 1 |
| | | 4 | Simulated | | E | scDo_%STATION%_MouldClosed | 0 |
| | | 4 | Open | | A | scDo_%STATION%_MouldOpenPos | 1 |
| | | | | | F | scDo_%STATION%_NoPartAvaible | 0 |
| | | | | 1 | G | scDo_%STATION%_Ejec_BackPos | 1 |
| | | | | 1 | H | scDo_%STATION%_Ejec_ForwPos | 0 |

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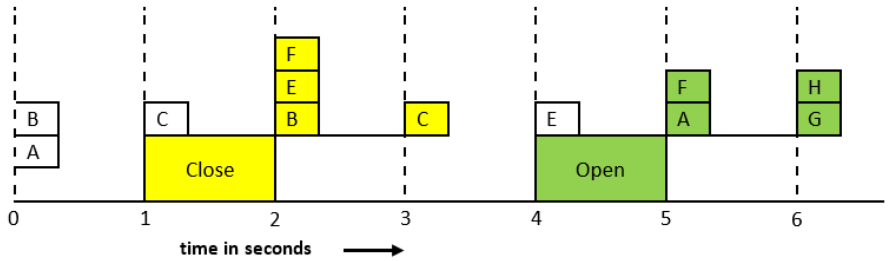


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After the input trigger signal `scDi_%STATION%_En_Mould` is set to the value ‘1’, the following sequence of operations take place:

1. First Step – The Simulated machine state is executed immediately (0 seconds delay) after the input signal value becomes ‘1’. This state triggers the following output signals:
   - Signal **A** is set to the value ‘0’.
   - Signal **B** is set to the value ‘1’.
   - Signal **C** is set to the value ‘0’ after 1 second delay.
2. Second Step – After 1 second delay specified in the **Delay Before State Execution** column, the Close machine state is executed. The door closing time is 1 second. After the machine door is closed, the following output signals are triggered:
   - Signal **B** is set to the value ‘0’.
   - Signal **E** is set to the value ‘1’.
   - Signal **F** is set to the value ‘1’.
   - Signal **C** is set to the value ‘1’ after 1 second delay.
3. Third Step – The Close machine state is executed after a 1 second delay. The door closing time is 1 second and the processing time is 2 seconds. So from the instance of the input trigger signal being set ‘High’, the machine waits for 4 seconds before executing the next step. Hence, after 4 seconds

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(1+2+1 ) delay, the following machine states are executed simultaneously without any delay:

- The Simulated machine state is executed. This state triggers the following output signal:
  - Signal **E** is set to the value ‘0’.
- The Machine ‘Open’ state is executed. The door opening time is 1 second. After the door open state is executed, the following actions take place simultaneously:
  - Signal **A** is set to the value ‘1’.
  - Signal **F** is set to the value ‘0’.
  - Signal **G** is set to the value ‘1’ after 1 second delay.
  - Signal **H** is set to the value ‘0’ after 1 second delay.

**Template revision history**

Overview

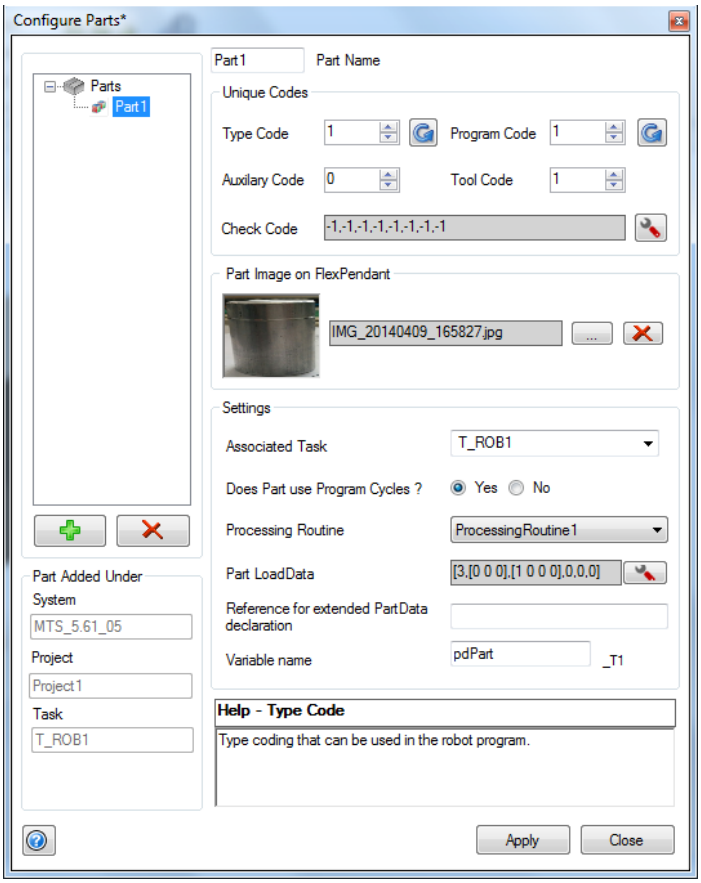
The **Template revision history** worksheet Contains a table for tracking the changes done in the excel file.

## 4.2.3 Part data

### 4.2.3.1 Configure parts

**Introduction**

The **Configure Parts** window allows you to configure part data.

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A part is any finished or semi finished output of a production cycle in machine tending cell. There can be one or more parts produced by a cell (a set of stations and a robot). Configuring a part is primarily to configure partdata (a RobotWare Machine Tending data type), which conceptualizes a part in the real world by considering its properties like name, unique code, other codes, associated image, and so on. A part may have a processing routine associated with it, which in turn is used to execute a cycle (a series of operations to produce that part).

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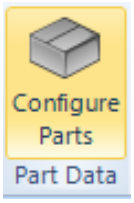
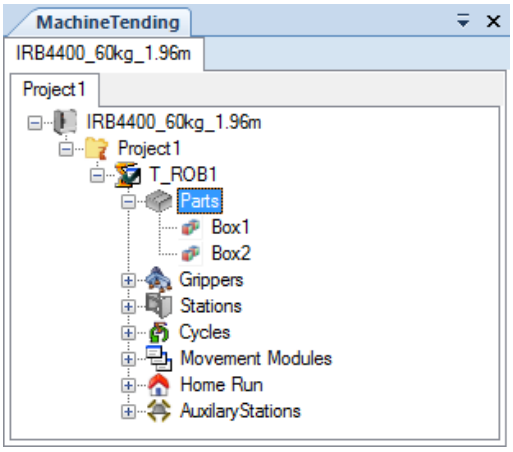
### Configuring partdata

To configure `partdata`:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Configure Parts**.<br>The **Configure Parts** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000498 |
| 2 | Click  to add a part.<br>The part is added to the **Parts** section. | Click  to delete a selected part from the **Parts** section.<br>To customize each part, select a part and edit the part settings. |
| 3 | Click **Apply**.<br>The part is created and listed under the Browser tree. |  <br>xx1300000500 |

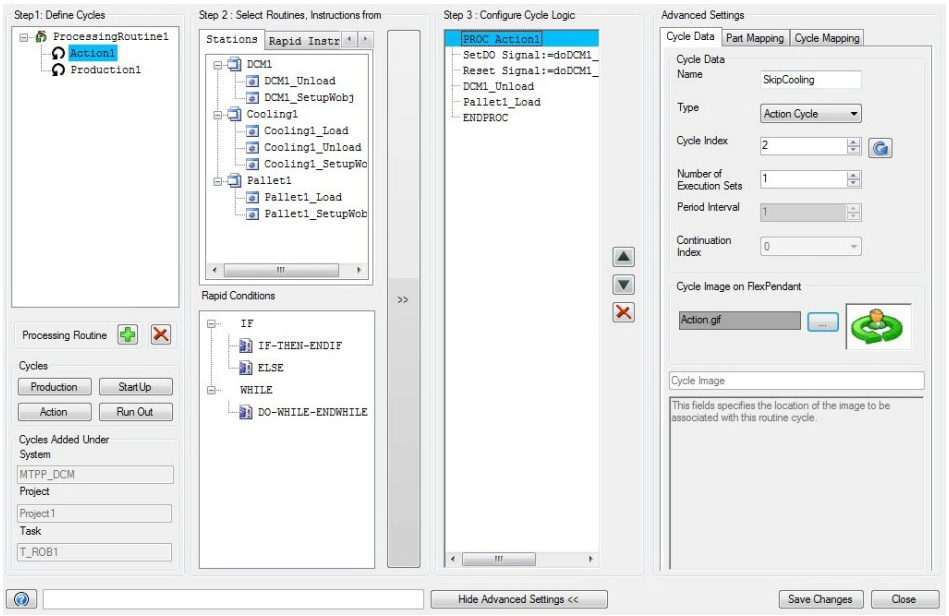
`partdata` is the RobotWare Machine Tending data type associated with a part. For more details about `partdata` see *Application manual - RobotWare Machine Tending*.

## 4.2.4 Programming

### 4.2.4.1 Define Cycles

#### Introduction

The **Define Cycle** window allows you to configure cycle sequences for serving different stations.

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The cycle routines are configured using the Load/Unload routines from the station templates. The routines are saved in a separate module within the project.

The necessary information needed to select and execute the cycle from the FlexPendant is also configured from this window.

#### Workflow

Use the following procedure to configure cycle sequences of serving different stations as RAPID cycle routines in a cycle module.

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Define Cycles**.<br>The **Define Cycles** page is displayed. | |

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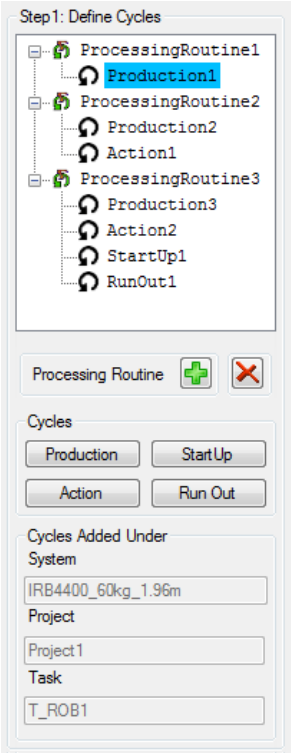
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 2 | Click **Configure Define Cycles.**<br>**The Step 1:**<br>Define Cycles section is for creating the processing routines and the corresponding cycles routines.<br>Prerequisite for this step is that at least 1 part is defined in the Project.<br>To configure Define Cycles:<br>1 Click  .<br>A processing routine is added to the list.<br>**Note**<br>The number of processing routines that can be added is limited to the number of parts defined in MTPP.<br>2 Click the required cycle routine types in the Cycles section.<br>The selected cycle routines are added under the processing routine.<br>The `cycledata` list is updated for each cycle routine added (from Advanced settings). |  <br>xx1300000426<br>The different types of cycles are available for selection in this Step, guide you to plan the cycles. For more information on the types of cycles, see *Cycle data on page 79*.<br>**Note**<br>You can change the cycledata details for each of these cycle routines.<br>Click  to delete a cycle routine or a processing routine. Deleting a processing routine also deletes it associated cycle routines. |

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### 4.2.4.1 Define Cycles

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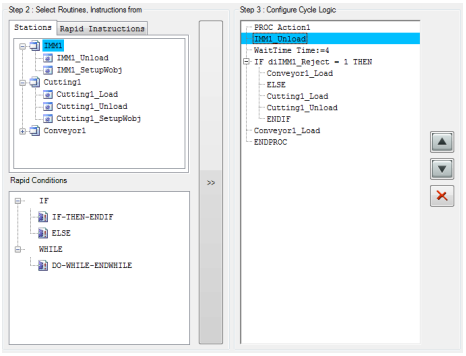
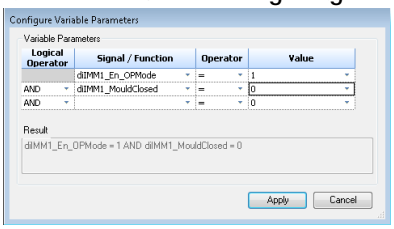
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 3 | Configure Cycle Logic.<br>**Step 2 and Step 3:**<br>Presents the collection of:<br>• Station routines from the template Station modules<br>• Default RAPID instructions in RS<br>• RAPID conditions<br>To construct the cycle logic:<br>1 Select a routine / instruction / Conditions from the window<br>2 Click the arrow button.<br>The selected routine / instruction / condition is added to the **Configure Cycle Logic** section.<br>3 Repeat the preceding steps to build the cycle logic according to your requirement. |  <br><br>xx1300000432<br>The RAPID instruction selected can be configured in the same way as RobotStudio.<br>The IF / WHILE conditions can be configured as shown in the following image.<br>  <br><br>xx1300002708 |

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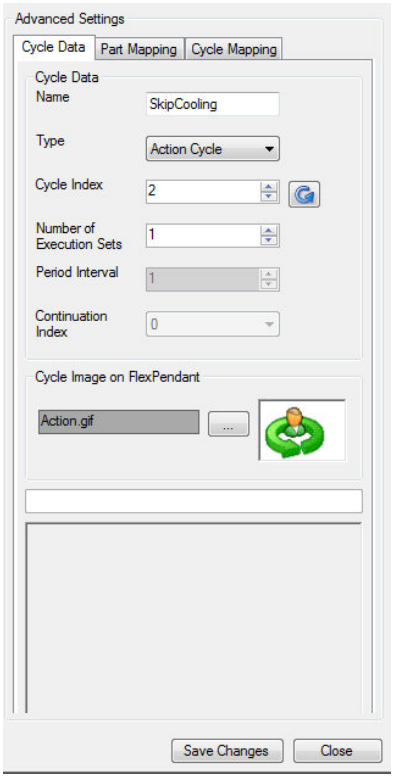
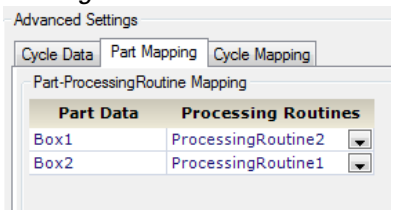
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | Click **Show Advanced Settings**.<br>The **Advanced Settings** window is displayed in the following three tabs **Cycle Data**, **Part Mapping** and **Cycle Mapping**. |  <br>xx1300000429<br>The **Cycle Data** tab allows you to configure the CycleData for the selected the cycle routine.<br>For more information on the parameters, refer to *Application manual - RobotWare Machine Tending* .<br>  <br>xx1300000521<br>The **Part Mapping** tab lists the part data and the corresponding processing routine. For more details, see *Configuring cycles on page 78*.<br>The processing routines mapping can be modified from this dialog. |

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### 4.2.4.1 Define Cycles
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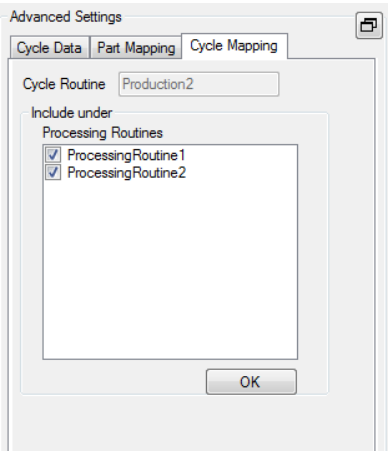
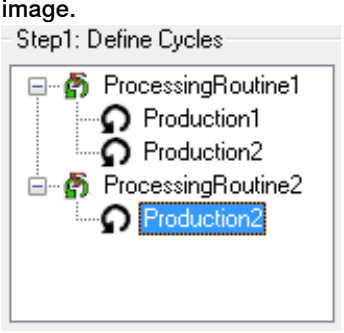
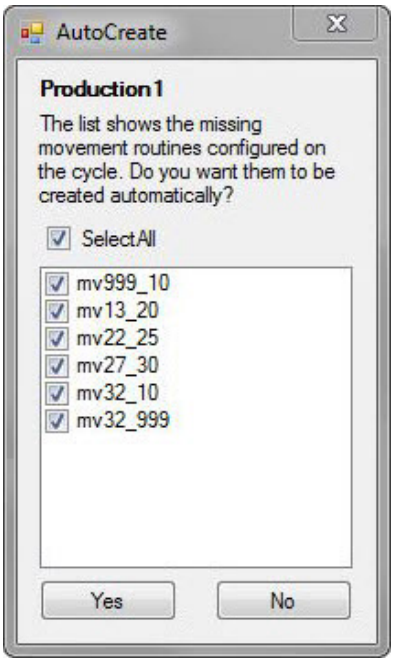
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 5 | To associate a cycle routine with other processing routines, select a cycle routine in the list and go to **Cycle Mapping** tab under Advanced Settings.<br>Select the part processing routines from the list and click **OK**.<br>**Note**<br>Some cycle routines are common and can be executed with any of the selected part. Hence these routines can be called from any part processing routine. The **Cycle Mapping** tab allows you to configure this option. |  <br>xx1300000519<br>The list is updated as shown in the following image.<br>  <br>xx1300000520<br>`Production2` routine is referenced in both **Processing routines**. |
| 6 | Click **Save Changes**.<br>The **AutoCreate** window is displayed. It displays a set of movement routines based on the currently selected cycle logic that has been configured in **Step 3: Configure Cycle Logic**.<br>**Note**<br>The **AutoCreate** window generally lists only the missing movement routines that are needed for the robot to execute the cycle. In addition it also displays a movement routine from `HomePos(p999)` to the start point of the cycle logic.<br>**Note**<br>If the cycle type is `Continuous` or `Action`, the auto create window also displays the movement routine from the end point of the cycle logic to `HomePos(p999)`. |  <br>xx1500001666 |

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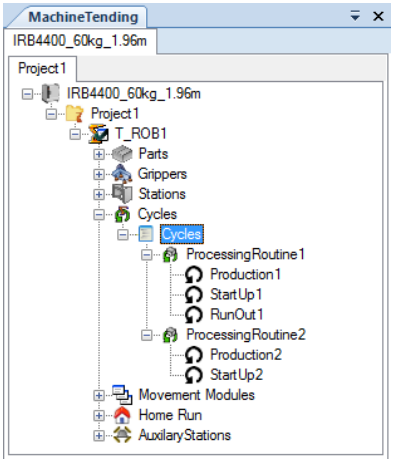
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 7 | Select the movement routines that need to be created automatically. | |
| 8 | Click **Yes**.<br>The selected settings are saved and all the part processing routines and cycles are listed in the browser tree. The movement routines are also created.<br>The RAPID module `cycle.mod` is created within the Project folder collection in the file system.<br>**Note**<br>There needs to be atleast one cycle routine below a processing routine while saving the cycle.<br>**Note**<br>The template for movement instructions used in the path is derived based on the configuration in the **Instruction Template** manager of the **Movements** window. |  <br>xx1300000502 |

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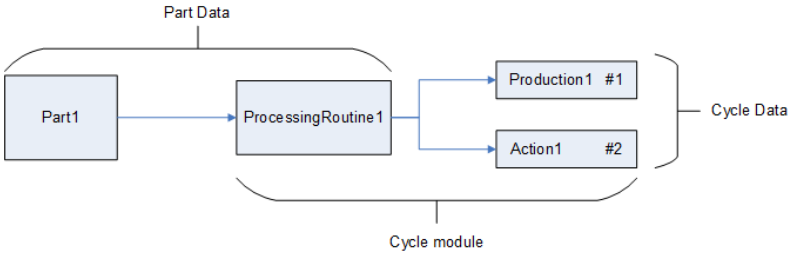
**Define cycles - more information**

Configuring cycles

An example for configuring cycles is given below:

```
CONST partdata
     part_T1:=["Part1","Pro-
     cessin-
     gRoutine1","",TRUE,1,4,3,1,[0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0],
     "Part1GF",[15,[0,0,0,0],[1,0,0,0],0,0,0],"pd-
     Part_T1"];
  PROC ProcessingRoutine1()
    !If startup cycle is reques-
         ted
    IF MT_CycleIndex=1 THEN
      Production1;
    !If a normal cycle is re-
         quested
    ELSEIF MT_CycleIndex=2 THEN
      NormalCycle;
    !If a runout cycle is re-
         quested
    ENDIF
  ENDPROC
  PROC Production1()
    IMM_Unload;
    AutoInsp1_Load;
    Cutter_Load;
    Pallet_Load;
  ENDPROC
  ...
ENDMODULE
```

```
!***********************************
! cycledata declaration
!***********************************
!Definition of the cycle list
TASK PERS cycledata
     MT_CycleList{20}:=
[
["Production
     cycle","",1,1,1,0,2,0],
["Normal
     cycle","",2,1,10,0,3,0],
["","",0,0,0,0,0,0],
["","",0,0,0,0,0,0],
...
...
]
```

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When **Part1** is selected for production, the corresponding **ProcessingRoutine1** becomes active. The cycles **Production cycle** and **Action cycle** are available for selection from the FlexPendant. The selected cycle is executed by matching the cycle index defined in the **Cycle data**.

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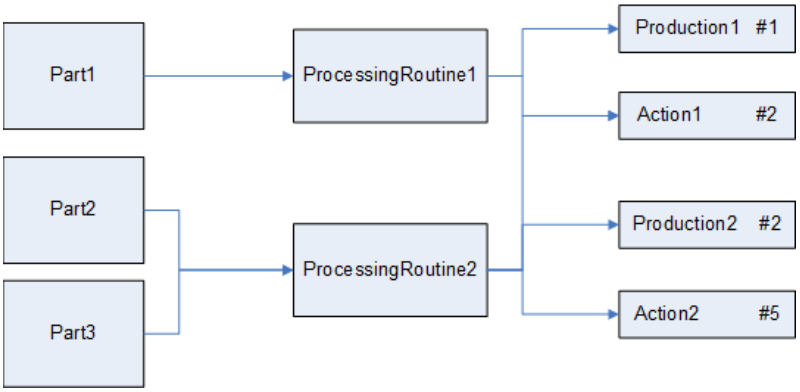
There can be some extensions to this as illustrated in the following figure:

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Different parts can be associated with the same processing routine. Also a cycle routine can be associated with several ProcessingRoutines (**Production1** is called in both **ProcessingRoutine1** (previous image) and **ProcessingRoutine2**).

A machine tending cell can produce different parts. Each part can have different cycle routines. The cycle routines that can be executed for a part are collected through a Part Processing routine. A part is associated with its Part Processing routine through the datatype `PartData`.

### Cycle data

The cycles can be selected from the RWMT interface on the FlexPendant through the datatype `CycleData` through the `MT_CycleList{20}`, which is present in the module `MT_Main`.

CycleData allows to configure different cycles types as described below.

| Cycle type | Description |
|---|---|
| Continuous cycle | Continuous cycles are run without conditions. Normally, the execution is carried out till a **Halt after end of cycle** is requested.<br>**Example**: Production with recurring process. |
| Counter cycle | Counter cycles are executed with the help of a counter, specifying the number of repetitions.<br>**Example**: Batch finishing of 100 parts. |
| Action cycle | Action cycles are executed only on request from the user interface. The number of direct repetitions is specified.<br>**Example**: Specific request for ejecting parts for manual quality control. |
| Periodic cycle | Periodic cycles are executed in a recurring (periodic) manner during the program execution. It is necessary for this type of cycle to specify the number of cycles of another cycle type after which the periodic cycle should be executed. The number of immediate repetitions is also specified.<br>**Example**: Regular ejection of parts for manual quality control. |

In MTPP, the cycles are mapped with the cycle types as shown below:

- Production - Continuous
- Action - Action
- StartUp - Counter
- RunOut - Counter

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4.2.4.1 Define Cycles
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For more details about cycledata refer *Application manual - RobotWare Machine Tending*.

## 4.2.4.2 Movements

### 4.2.4.2.1 Teach movements

**Movements viewer**

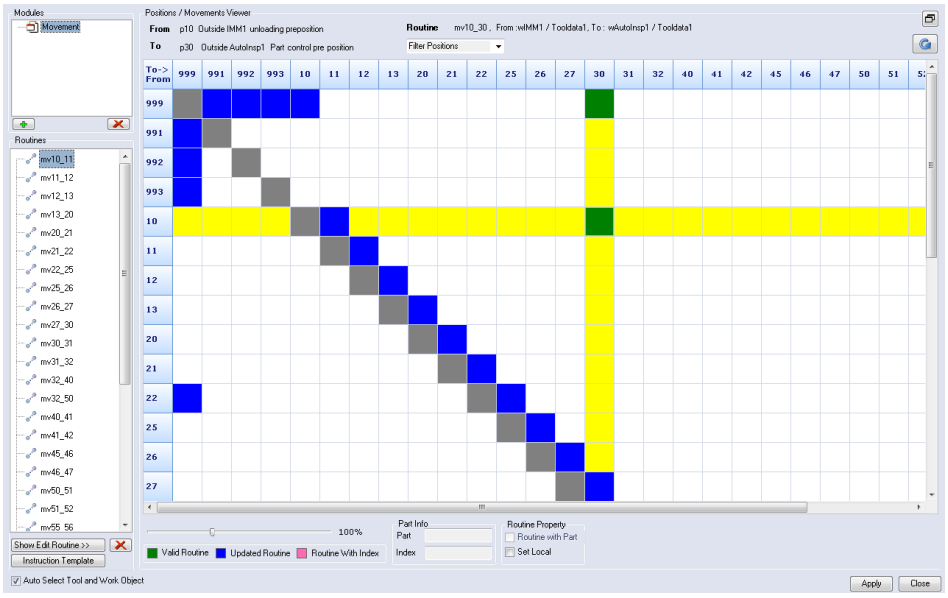
You can define movements between stations or within stations using the **Positions/Movement Viewer** window.

The movement between two points is defined as following:

```
PROC mv11_12()
!From: IMM Loading Position
!To : IMM Loading End Position
MT_MoveJ 11,p11,v50,z10,Tooldata1\WObj:=wGeneric1\NoMove;
MT_MoveLDO
     12,p12,v1500,z10,Tooldata1\WObj:=wGeneric1,sdoGeneric1_Outside,1;
ENDPROC
```

Where, `p11` and `p12` are the **From** and **To** positions. These procedures are defined in the `Movement.mod` module.

To configure a routine, select **Movements > Teach Movements**. The routines belonging to a selected movement module and the target positions in different stations and global positions are displayed in a grid as shown in the following image.

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In RobotWare Machine Tending, positions for stations follow a convention. The positions `p10 – p19` are used to represent all the targets for StationA and `p20 – p29` are used for StationB. If more positions are required, they are defined as intermediate positions which lie between the main positions. For example, `p101101`, `p101102`, `p101103` are intermediate positions between `p10` and `p11`.

The corresponding procedure is illustrated in the following example:

```
PROC mv10_11()
MT_MoveJ 10,p10,v50,z10,Tooldata1\WObj:=wIMM1\NoMove;
```

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4.2.4.2.1 Teach movements
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```
MT_MoveJ 101101,[[0,540,1200.015]…],v1000,z10,Tooldata1\WObj:=wIMM1;
MT_MoveJ 101102,[[0,360,1200.01]…],v1000,z10,Tooldata1\WObj:=wIMM1;
MT_MoveJ 101103,[[0,180,1200.005]…],v1000,z10,Tooldata1\WObj:=wIMM1;
MT_MoveL 11,p11,v500,fine,Tooldata1\WObj:=wIMM1;
ENDPROC
```

It is important to keep track of the order and sequence of these intermediate positions as they affect the **HomeRun** feature.

**Add or delete movement routines**

To configure a new movement routine:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Movements** and then click **Teach Movements**.<br>The **Teach Movements** window is displayed. | |
| 2 | Select a movement module from the **Modules** list.<br>The movement procedures belonging to the selected module are displayed. | The grid is populated with the positions defined for the selected module and global positions `p999` (**HomePos**), `p991- p993` (service positions) which are predefined when the PowerPac is activated.<br>**Note**<br>When you hover around the grid, the row and column in the grid is highlighted where the cursor is placed. The **From** and **To** field in the window is continuously updated with respect to the cursor position. |
| 3 | Double-click on a cell to select it. | The color of the cell changes from white to one of the following:<br>• Green<br>• Pink, if the **Routine with Part** option is selected, the part type number is suffixed to the routine (for example, mv11_12_T2). It is valid for the part type Movement modules.<br>• Marked Local (L), if the **Set Local** option is selected.<br>**Note**<br>To delete existing routines, double-click on a routine. A cross mark is displayed on the selected routine. When you click the **Apply** button the selected routines are deleted. |
| 4 | Select the **Auto Select Tool and WorkObject**check box. | When this option is selected, the active Tool and the WObj of the RobTarget are assigned to the instruction.<br>If this selection is cancelled, the values for `Tool` and `WObj` are referred from the **Instruction Template** as described in the previous step. |

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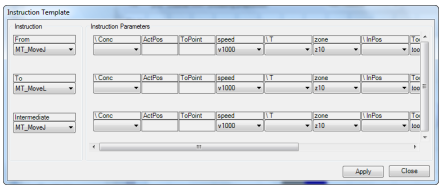
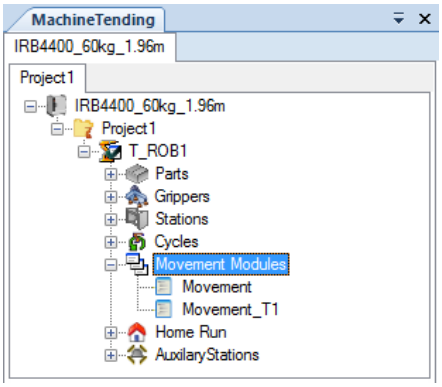
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 5 | Click **Instruction Template**.<br>The **Instruction Template** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000401 |
| 6 | Select the instruction and parameters to be used for **From**, **To**, and **Intermediate** instructions. | |
| 7 | Click **Apply** and then click **Close**. | The selected routines are created and listed in the window and the cell color changes to blue or red depending on the **Routine with Part** option.<br>**Note**<br>When you double click on the configured or marked cell, if the routine is already created, that is, if the color of the cell is blue, then it is marked for deletion when you click **Apply**. If the cell is marked for creation, then it is deleted immediately. |
| 8 | Click **Apply**.<br>All the movement modules belonging to the project are listed in the browser tree. |  <br>xx1300000503 |

**Note**

The station positions are usually declared as LOCAL. The routines mv991_999, mv992_999, mv993_999, mv999_991, mv999_992, and mv999_993 are created by default when the PowerPac is activated.

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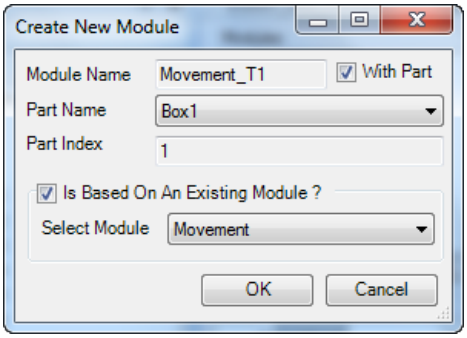
**Add new movement module**

When producing different parts, it is possible to use the same production cycle. In RobotWare Machine Tending, movement modules can be associated with a part as `Movement_T(X).mod`, where X is the part type index. Hence whenever a part is chosen for production, the corresponding movement module becomes active (loaded into the memory).

To create movement modules associated with part types:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Movements** and then click **Teach Movements**.<br>The **Teach Movements** window is displayed. | |
| 2 | Click the  button under the **Modules** list.<br>The **Create New Module** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000403<br>The module name **Movement** is prefixed and is not editable.<br>**Note**<br>If the **Part Name** list is empty, then use the **Configure Parts** option to add parts. |
| 3 | Select the **With Part** check box.<br>The **Part Name** and **Part Index** options are enabled. The parts added in the Project are listed in the **Part Name** drop down menu. | |
| 4 | Select a part from the **Part Name** list. | When a part is selected, the corresponding Index is appended to the Module Name (for example, **Movement_T1**). |
| 5 | Select the **Is Based On An Existing Module ?** check box and then select a Module from the **Select Module** drop-down list. | It is common for two movement modules to have the same routines and positions. In this option, existing movement modules are listed, user can choose to create a new module with similar routines.<br>**Note**<br>In this case, the targets are created by default and are declared as LOCAL to the module. |

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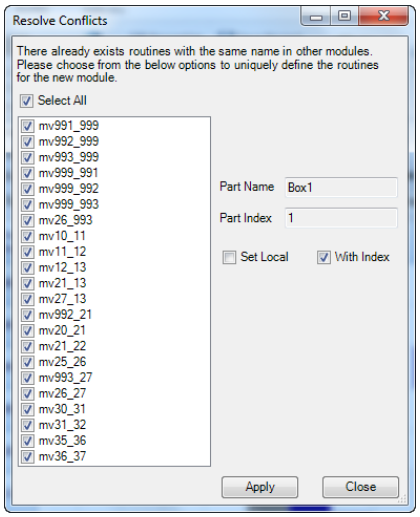
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 6 | Click **OK**.<br>The new module is listed in the **Modules** list. |  <br>xx1300000404<br>There might be some naming conflicts in the new routines if they are created based on an existing module. In this case you have to resolve conflicts. The two options to resolve the conflicts to make the routines unique are:<br>• **Set LOCAL** – Here the routine is set LOCAL to the new module.<br>• **With Index** – If the module is based on a part, then the part index is appended to the routine. for example, `mv10_11_T1`.<br>When the conflicts are resolved, the new module is listed in the **Modules** list. |
| 7 | Click **Apply**.<br>The movement module is created. | The new routines are highlighted in the grid if they are not yet created.<br>**Note**<br>To delete a module, select the module in the **Modules** list and click  . |

**Note**

When positions are edited using **Teach Position** window, click the refresh button  in the **Teach Movements** window to update the **Positions**/ **Movements Viewer** section.

## Edit routines

The **Show Edit Routine** option allows you to modify the movement routines by:

- Editing the routines to change the instruction parameter values.
- Adding or removing intermediate instructions to the routines.

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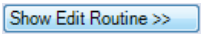
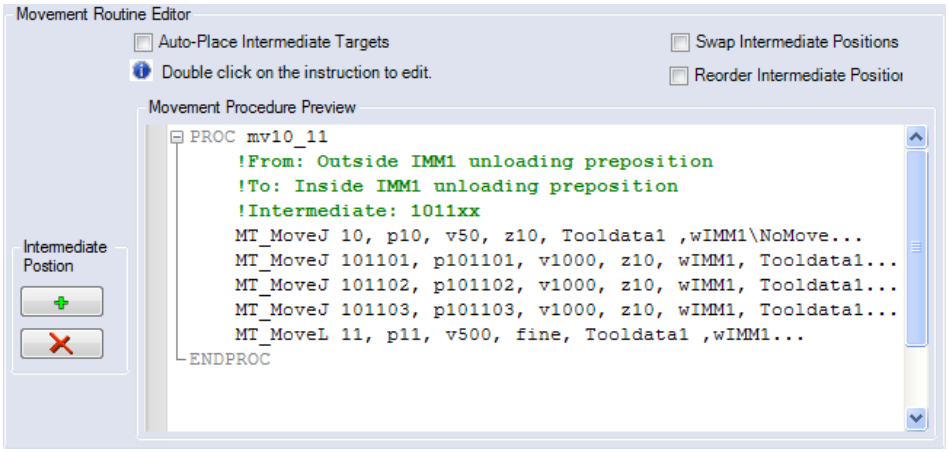
Click the **Show Edit Routine >>** button 

to display the **Movement Routine Editor** window.

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**Note**

The **Movement Routine Editor** is not a RAPID editor. You can modify an instruction by double clicking it which launches the **Modify Instruction** window.

The following options in the **Movement Routine Editor** window allows you to manage the intermediate positions:

- Double-click an intermediate instruction displays the **Modify Instruction** window from where you can edit the selected instruction.
- The **Delete** button  deletes a selected intermediate instruction.
- The **Auto-Place Intermediate Targets** check box places the new intermediate positions between the start and end instructions.

  **Note**

  The **Auto-Place Intermediate Targets** check box affects the positioning of the intermediate instructions on the path `mvxx_yy()`.

- The **Swap Intermediate Positions** check box swaps the start and end target position for a selected intermediate instruction.
- The **Reorder Intermediate Position** check box arranges the intermediate instructions in ascending or descending order.

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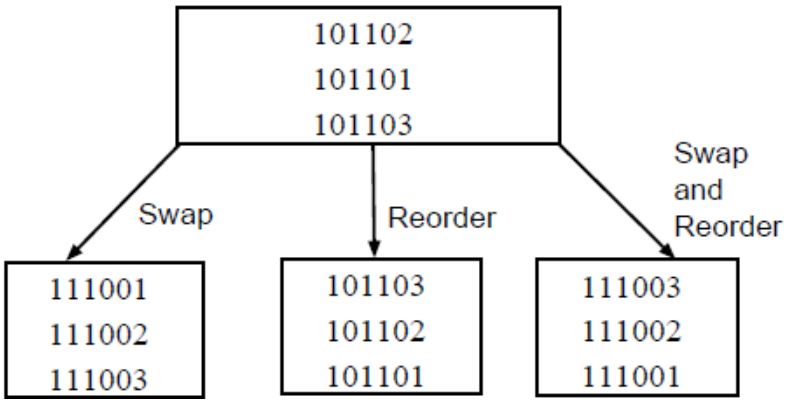


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To create an intermediate instruction:

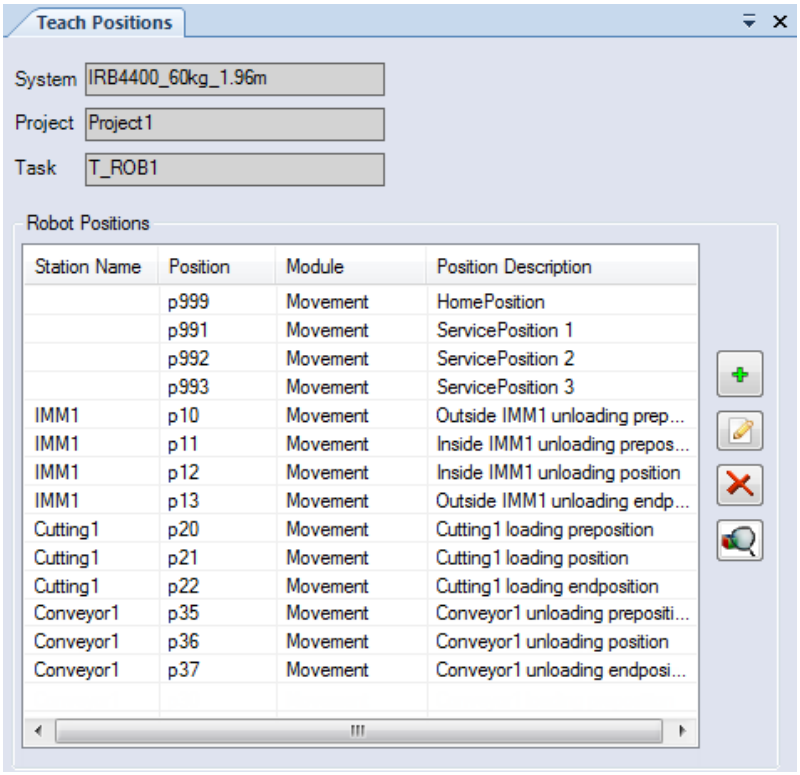
| | Action |
|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Movements** and then click **Teach Movements**.<br>The **Teach Movements** window is displayed. |
| 2 | Select a module from the **Module** list.<br>The corresponding routines are listed in the **Routines** list. |
| 3 | Select a routine from the **Routines** list and click the **Show Edit Routine** >> button.<br>The **Movement Routine Editor** window is displayed. |
| 4 | Click  in the **Intermediate Position** section.<br>An intermediate instruction is inserted in the routine between the main instructions. |
| 5 | Click **Apply**.<br>The changes to the routine are saved. |

## 4.2.4.2.2 Teach positions

### Introduction

The **Teach Positions** option is used for managing the robot positions.

To display robot positions, click **Movements** and then click **Teach Positions**. The **Teach Positions** window is displayed.

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The **Teach Positions** window allows you to perform the following tasks:

- Create a new position
- Edit an existing position
- Delete a position
- Zoom in to a selected position

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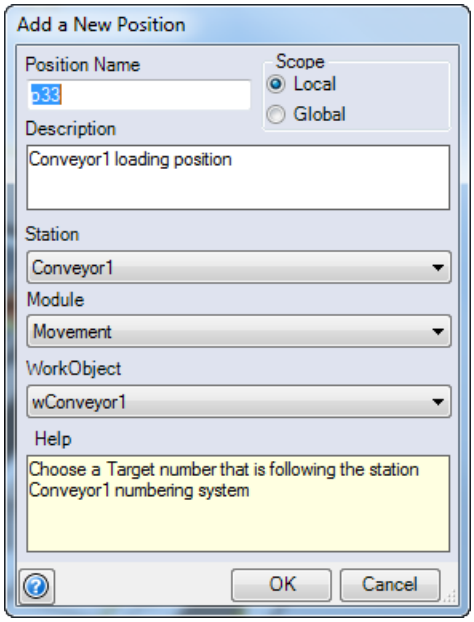
## Add a new position

To add a new position:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click  .<br>The **Add a New Position** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000417<br><br>If you select an existing position and click  , the next available position number for the station is suggested. The position number follows the numbering convention of the station. |
| 2 | Type a name in the**Position Name** text box. | |
| 3 | Type a description in the **Description** text box. | |
| 4 | Select a station from the **Station** list. | |
| 5 | Select a module from the **Module** list. | |
| 6 | Select a work object from the **WorkObject** list. | |

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| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 7 | Click **OK**.<br>The new position is added to the **Robot Positions** list. | On synchronizing to virtual controller, the positions and their corresponding description are defined in the data type `posname`which is present in module `MT_Main`. Following is an example of the posname datatype.<br>`!`<br>`!*********************************`<br>`! posname declarations`<br>`!*********************************`<br>`!Assigning position description for HomeRun`<br>`CONST posname pnPositions{20}:=[`<br>`[10,"Outside IMM1 unloading preposition"],`<br>`[11,"Inside IMM1 unloading preposition"],`<br>`[12,"Inside IMM1 unloading position"],`<br>`[13,"Outside IMM1 unloading endposition"],`<br>`[20,"Outside AutoInsp1 Part control pre position"],`<br>`[21,"Inside AutoInsp1 Part control check position"],`<br>`[22,"Outside AutoInsp1 Part control end position"],`<br>`[30,"Conveyor1 loading preposition"],`<br>`[31,"Conveyor1 loading position"],`<br>`[32,"Conveyor1 loading endposition"],`<br>`[991,"ServicePosition 1"],`<br>`[992,"ServicePosition 2"],`<br>`[993,"ServicePosition 3"],`<br>`[999,"HomePosition"],`<br>`[0,""],`<br>`[0,""],`<br>`[0,""],`<br>`[0,""],`<br>`[0,""],`<br>`[0,""]`<br>`];` |

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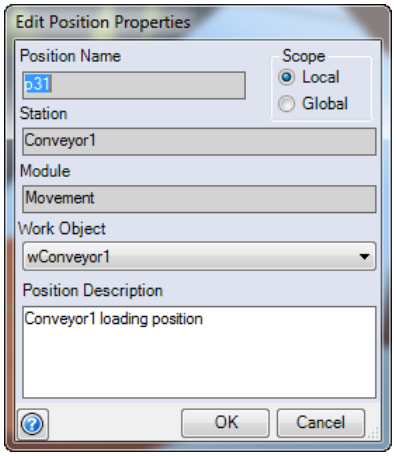
### Edit position

You can change the work object for a selected position.

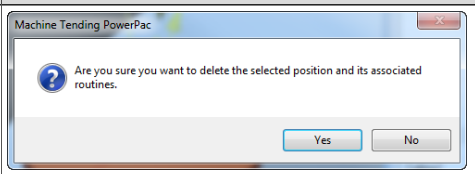
To edit an existing position:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Select a position and click  .<br>The **Edit Position Properties** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000418 |
| 2 | Change the work object in the **Work Object** list. | |
| 3 | Click **OK**.<br>The changes are updated in the **Robot Positions** list. | |

### Delete position

You can delete a position from the Robot Positions list.

To delete a position:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Select a position and click  .<br>A confirmation window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000420 |
| 2 | Click **Yes**.<br>The selected position is deleted. | |

### Zoom in

You can zoom into a selected position.

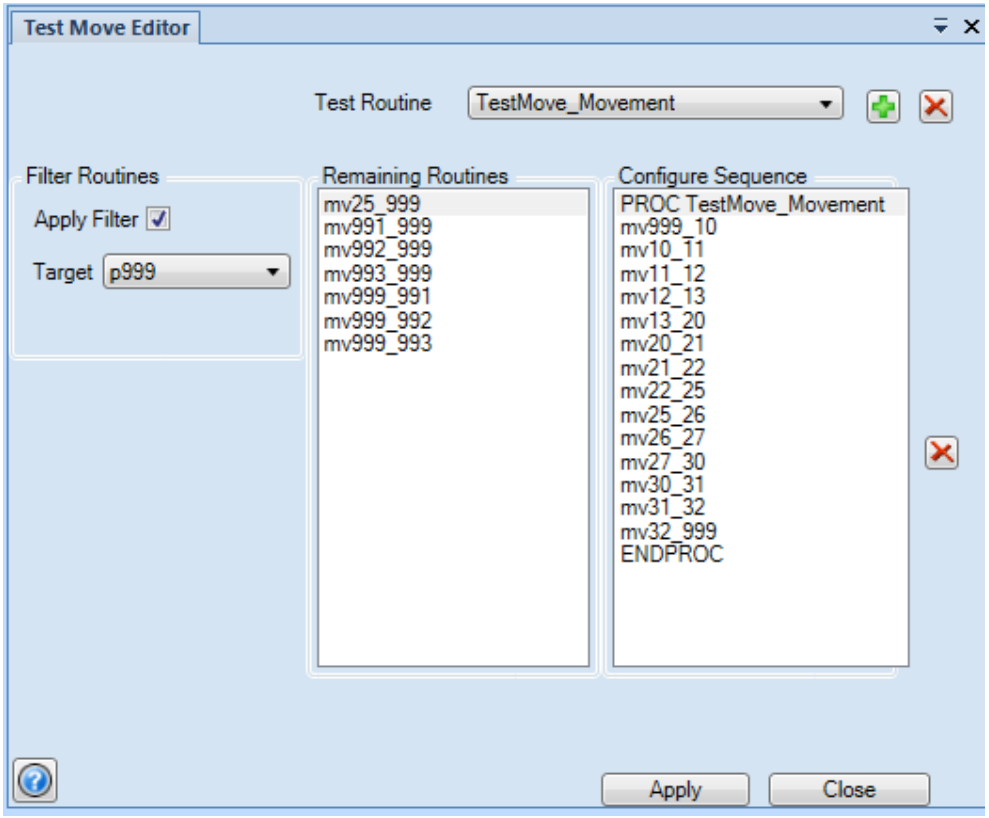
To zoom in to a selected position, select a position and click  . The view is zoomed to the selected position.

## 4.2.4.2.3 Test Move Editor

### Test Move Editor

**Test Move Editor** allows you to create, rearrange, and edit the movement routines.

To access Test Move Editor, select **Movements** > **Test Move Editor**. The following figure and table provide more information about **Test Move Editor** window.

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| Label | Description |
|---|---|
| **Test Routine** list | Displays all the available test move routines. |
| button | Creates a new test routine. |
| button. | Deletes the selected test routine. |
| **Configure Sequence** list | List all the routines available in the selected test routine. |
| **Remaining Routines** list | Displays the routines which are available in the module but not used in the selected routine. |
| **Filter Routines** section | Click the **Apply Filter** check box and select a filter from the **Target** list to display the routines in the **Remaining Routines** list based on the selected target filter. |
| **Apply** button | Save the changes to the selected routine. |
| **Close** button | Closes the **Test Move Editor** window. |

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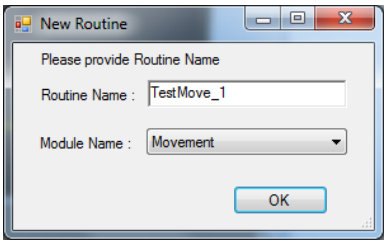
### Create a test routine

To create a test routine:

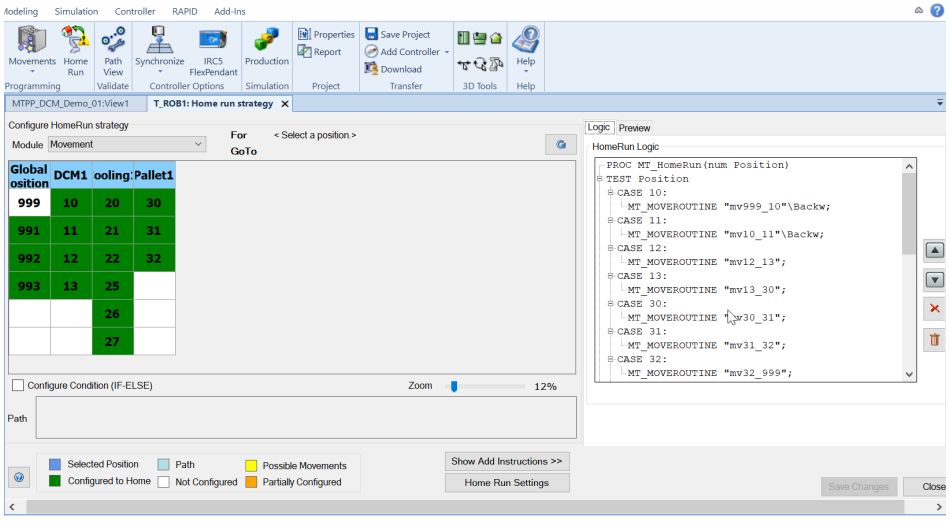
| Step | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click the  button<br>The **New Routine** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1600001659 |
| 2 | In the **Routine Name** field type a name for the new routine. | **Note**<br>The prefix `TextMove_` is not editable. You can type new characters after this prefix. |
| 3 | Select a module from the **Module Name** list. | |
| 4 | Click OK.<br>The new routine is added to the **Test Routine** list. | |
| 5 | From the **Remaining Routine** list double-click the required routines and add it to the **Configure Sequence** list. | **Note**<br>The **Filter Routines** section allows you to filter and display the required routines in the **Remaining Routine** list.<br>**Note**<br>Use the  button to remove a routine from the **Configure Sequence** list. |
| 6 | Click **Apply**.<br>The new routine is saved. | |

## 4.2.4.3 HomeRun

### Configure HomeRun

The **HomeRun** option in RobotWare Machine Tending ensures that the robot reaches the Home position from any position in the cell. The **HomeRun** can be requested by the operator from the FlexPendant or through other interfaces.

The strategy for each position in the station can be configured from this user interface.

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From programming perspective:

- The HomeRun is always numbered as p999.
- The HomeRun is a RAPID module (`MT_Home_User.mod`).
- For each position, the HomeRun describes the action to be taken in `TEST-ENDTEST` format.
- The strategy is based on the status of the robot at the position and possible movements between From and To positions.

Example:

```
MODULE MT_HOME_USER
!*********************************************************
!*
!* Module name: MT_HOME_USER
!* User module for safe home run
!*
!*********************************************************

PROC MT_HomeRun(num Position)
  TEST Position
    CASE 11:
      MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv10_11"\Backw;
    CASE 10:
      MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv999_10"\Backw;
```

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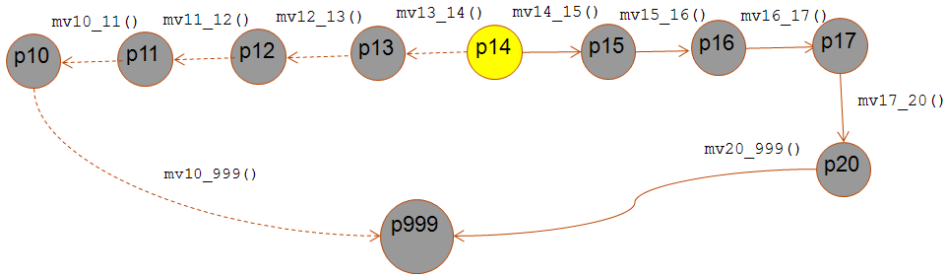
```
      CASE 12:
        MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv11_12"\Backw;
      CASE 13:
        MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv12_13"\Backw;
      CASE 14:
        IF diPartinGripper THEN
          MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv14_15";
        ELSE
          MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv13_14"\Backw;
        ENDIF
      CASE 15:
        MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv15_16";
      CASE 16:
        MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv16_17";
      CASE 17:
        MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv17_20";
        MT_GripSet gsClose, gdGRP1_STG11;
      CASE 20:
        MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv20_999";
      DEFAULT;
        MT_ContHomeRun Position;
    ENDTEST
  ENDPROC
  ENDMODULE
```

If the HomeRun request is made when robot is at p14 then the path it takes is decided based on whether the part is gripped or not.

If part is not at the gripper, then the strategy is: 14 --> 13 --> 12 --> 11 --> 10 --> 999. That is, the robot moves back along the path. The routines mv13_14, mv12_13, mv11_12, mv10_11, mv10_999 are executed in the reverse order.

If part is in the gripper, then the strategy is: 14 --> 15 --> 16 --> 17 --> 20 --> 999. That is, the robot moves in the forward direction. The strategy is to release the part at p20 and then move to p999.

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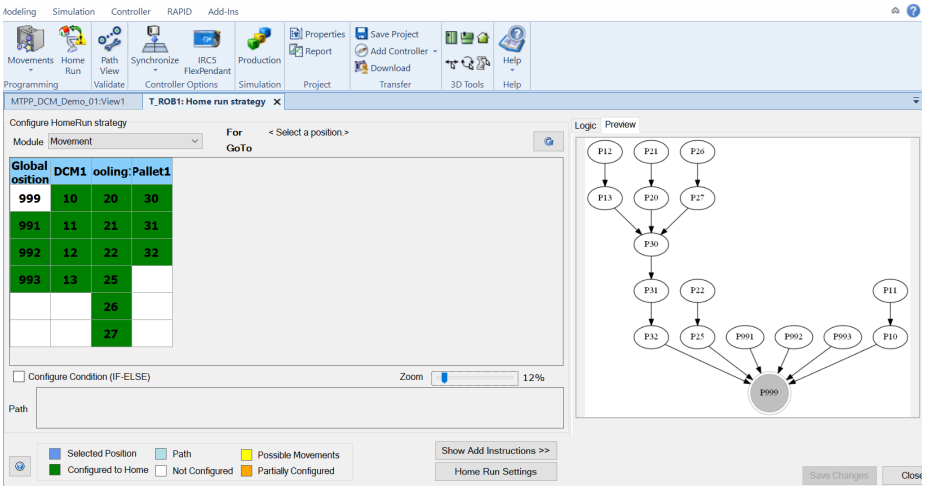
The HomeRun iteratively executes the strategy for each position until the robot reaches the home position.

**Note**

You can view the pictorial representation of all the paths covered with respect to various positions for the Home Run in **Preview** tab.

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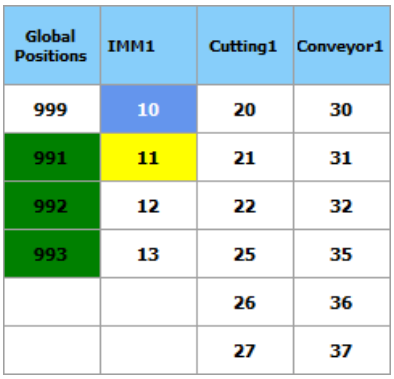
To configure RAPID for HomeRun:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **HomeRun**.<br>The **Home run strategy** window is displayed with the **Movement** module preselected in the **Module** list. | The **Home run strategy** window displays all the station positions belonging to the selected movement module in a grid together with the global positions p999 (HomePos), p991-p993 (Service positions). The strategy can be configured from this grid. |
| 2 | Select a position cell in the grid.<br>The selected cell becomes active and the color changes to blue. The strategy is to be configured for this selected position. |  <br>xx1300000435<br>The position cells which have the movement routines configured either To or From the selected position are highlighted in yellow. |

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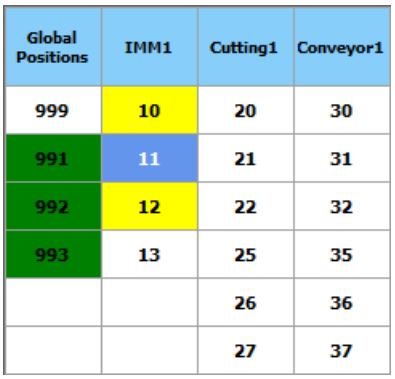
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 3 | Select one of the highlighted cells to configure the strategy.<br>The strategy for the selected position in the previous step is configured. In the RAPID section, the `TEST-CASE` for the position is created with the movement instruction `MT_MOVEROUTINE`. |  <br><br>xx1300000457<br>Subsequently the currently selected position becomes the next active position cell.<br>**Note**<br>Pressing the ESC key while configuring a cell clears the selection of the selected cell (blue color) and the highlighted (yellow color) cells, and displays the actual configured cells (green and orange).<br>**Note**<br>Based on the selection, path is configured and corresponding image will be seen in **Preview** tab. |

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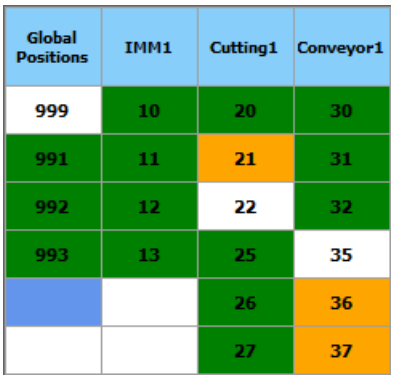
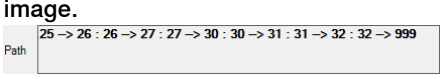
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | Repeat the preceding 2 steps for all the positions in the grid.<br>The color of the cells change when they are configured. |  <br><br>xx1300000438<br>The cell color is either green or orange depending on whether the path reaches the Home position (p999). In a path, if the last movement is configured to reach Home position then the cell color of all the child paths are green, else they are orange.<br>For a position being configured, the cells of possible positions are highlighted in yellow. If a highlighted position is already configured, the position text is colored either green or yellow. Select any configured cell to view its path highlighted in light blue. Double-clicking a configured cell removes the position from the path.<br>When configuring the strategy for a position (for example, p10), then all the positions (for example, p11, p37, p36, and p35) in the chain are affected. This is indicated by the cell color change.<br>For a configured position, the complete path chain is displayed as shown in the following image.<br>  <br><br>xx1300000436 |

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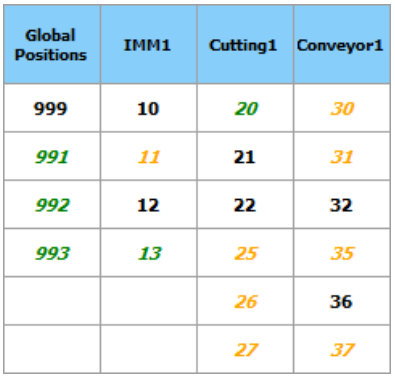
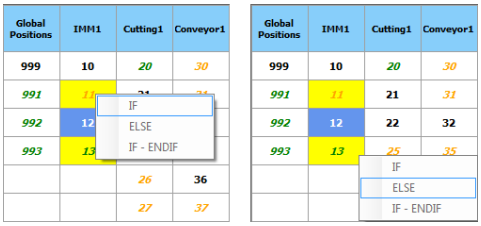
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 5 | Select the **Configure Condition (IF-ELSE)** check box.<br>The text color is changed to the color of the cell and cell highlight is removed. |  <br><br>xx1300000437<br>The path the robot takes during HomeRun depends on various conditions. For example, if part is in gripper then it has to be released at another position before moving to Home position. Else robot can move directly to the Home position. By selecting the **Configure Condition (IF-ELSE)** check box, these possibilities can be configured. |
| 6 | Select a position cell to configure the IF-ELSE strategy.<br>The position cells which have movement routines configured either To or From the selected position are highlighted in yellow. | **Note**<br>If a path is configured using IF else condition and all the paths reaches Home position. If a path is not reaching Home position then it is displayed as orange or else in green. |
| 7 | Right-click and choose the IF condition and then select another highlighted cell, right-click, and choose either the ELSE or IF-ENDIF condition. |  <br><br>xx1300000458<br>The position is configured and indicated by the text color change. The text color depends on the path reaching the Home Position similar to the earlier steps.<br>The RAPID section is configured as below:<br>`CASE 12:`<br>`IF <Exp> THEN`<br>`MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv11_12"\Backw;`<br>`ELSE`<br>`MT_MOVEROUTINE "mv12_13";`<br>`ENDIF`<br>**Note**<br>If you select a path having the IF-ELSE condition, then the **Path** field displays all the possible paths as separate rows. |

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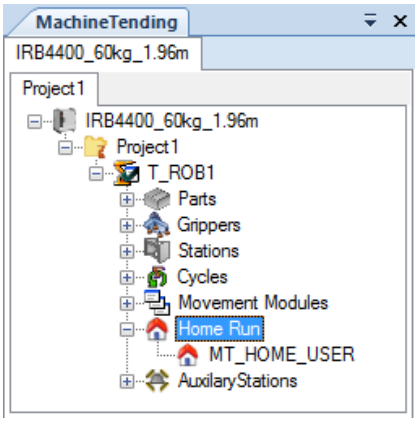
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 8 | Click **Show Add Instructions**.<br>The **Add Instructions** list is displayed. | |
| 9 | Click **Apply**.<br>The RAPID is saved under the HomeRun node in MTPP. | |
| 10 | Click **Save Changes**.<br>The **Save As** window is displayed. | The HomeRun strategy can be saved as a module within the project folder. The name of the module is pre-configured as `MT_HOME_User.mod`. |
| 11 | Click **Save**.<br>The HomeRun is configured and listed in the Browser tree and the RAPID is saved under the HomeRun node in MTPP. |  <br>xx1300000504 |

**Note**

In a project there can be several movement modules for different part types, but there is only one HomeRun module.

The grid and the RAPID are configured for the positions defined in the selected movement module. If the other movement module is selected and it does not contain the configured position or movement routine, then the corresponding CASE condition is removed and the grid is updated accordingly.

Ensure that the HomeRun strategy is valid for all the movement modules in the project.

**Tip**

Select the movement module that contains the maximum number of positions and routines configured.

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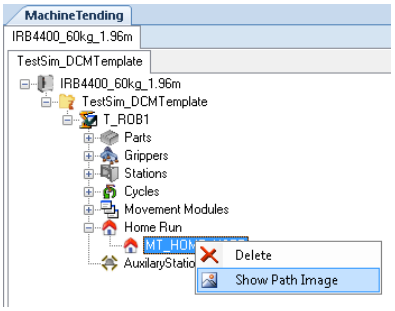
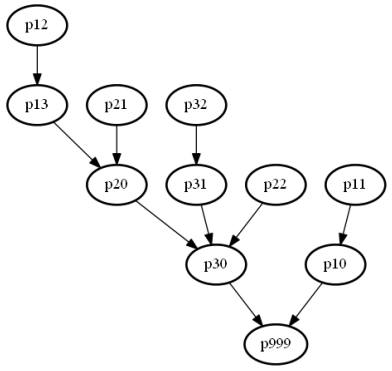
### Show path image

You can view a pictorial representation of all the paths covered with respect to various positions for the Home Run. home run, user can right click on the Home Run tree node in the browser and do so.

To view path image:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Right-click on the HomeRun node (**MT_HOME_USER**) in the Browser tree. |  <br>xx1300000563 |
| 2 | Click **Show Path Image**<br>The path image is displayed in the default image viewer. |  <br>xx1300000573 |

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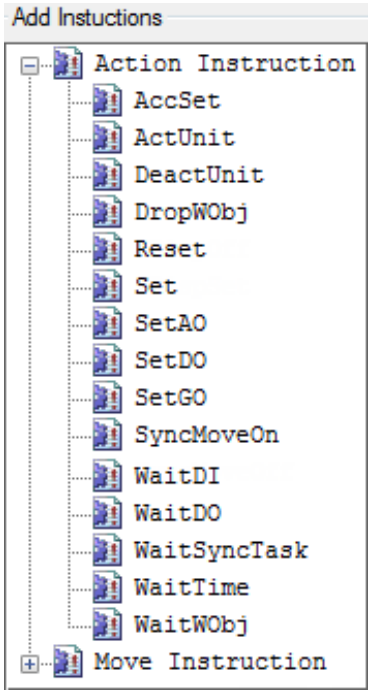
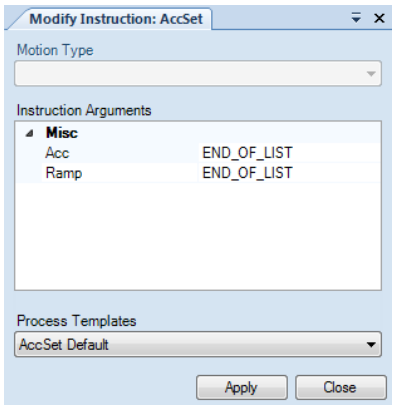
### Configuring instructions

To configure instructions:

| Action | Description |
|---|---|
| Click **Show Add Instructions**.<br>The **Add Instructions** list is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000459<br>The displayed instructions can be included to the **HomeRun Logic** section. |
| Select an instruction in the **Home Run Logic** section. | |
| Select an instruction in the **Add Instructions** list and click the arrow button.<br>The **Modify Instruction** window is displayed. |  <br>xx1300000461 |
| Select the required instruction arguments and click the **Apply** button.<br>The selected instruction is added below the selected instruction in the **HomeRun Logic** section. | |

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### Editing HomeRun Logic section

You can edit and rearrange instructions in the **HomeRun Logic** section.

- To edit an instruction that is added from the **Add Instruction** section, double-click the instruction. The **Modify Instruction** window is displayed from where you can modify the instructions.
- To rearrange and to delete the instructions, use the Up arrow  , Down arrow  , or Delete  buttons.
- To clear all the configured RAPID and the grid, click the Clear button  .

## 4.2.5 Validate

## 4.2.5.1 Path View

### 4.2.5.1.1 Overview

The **Path View** window displays the targets in a path by representing them with instruction icons. When a program contains several paths, the first instruction in the path view is the last instruction of the preceding path. The large arrow head indicates the start of a path. This enables you to verify that the robot can bridge the paths.

## 4.2.5.1.2 Instruction icons

### Overview

An instruction icon shows the type (shape), motion (arrow), and status (color) of each target for a movement routine.

### Instruction icons

The following table describes the icon shapes:

| Icon | Description |
|---|---|
|  | Target |

The following table describes the arrows:

| Icon | Description |
|---|---|
|  | Linear move |
|  | Joint move |

The following table describes the color coding. The goal is to turn all the status fields green before synchronizing the paths to the virtual controller.

| Icon | Description |
|---|---|
| | White indicates an unknown status |
|  | Green indicates that the target is verified |
|  | Yellow indicates that solution is found, but not verified |
|  | Red indicates no solution or target is out of reach |

The following table describes examples of the above:

| Icon | Description |
|---|---|
|  | Joint move, target verified |
|  | Linear move, unknown status |

## 4.2.5.1.3 The Path View tool bar

### Overview

The **PathView** tool bar has buttons for the most frequently used commands.

### Path View tool bar

| Icon | Description |
|---|---|
|  | The **Set View Center** button sets the center view automatically to the selected target in the path view or the active TCP (if no target is selected). |
|  | The **Mode Selection** button enables the editing of the instruction. |
|  | The **View Tool at Target** button displays the tool configuration at the target. |
|  | The **Check Reachability** button tries to move the robot to the selected target to check whether the target is reachable. |
|  | The **Arm** button displays the **Robot Configuration** dialog box. The **Arm** button indicates the active arm configuration of the target. |
|  | The **Wrist** button displays the **Robot Configuration** dialog box. The**Wrist** button indicates the active wrist configuration of the target. |
|  | The **Tool** button displays the **Robot Configuration** dialog box. The**Tool** button indicates the active tool configuration of the target. |
|  | The **Jump to Target** button jumps the robot with active TCP to the selected target. It gives you a chance to view torch angles and detect the possible collisions with the robot.<br>• A successful result turns the target yellow and moves the robot one discrete step towards the target.<br>• An unsuccessful result turns the target red and leaves the robot in its current position. |
|  | The **Move to Target** button moves the robot to the selected target from the previous target in the target list, checks for reach and sets the robot configuration. You can also select a range of targets and move the robot in sequential order down the target list.<br>• A successful result turns the target green and moves the robot continuously towards the target.<br>• An unsuccessful result turns the target red and leaves the robot in its current position.<br>**Note**<br>The virtual controller is not running while executing this command. |
|  | The **Simulate** button synchronizes the opened paths to the virtual controller and executes the paths in the virtual controller. |

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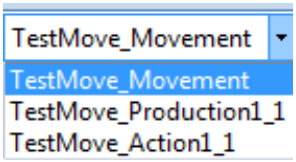
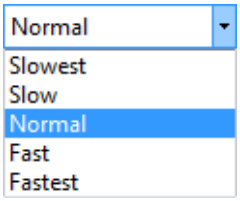
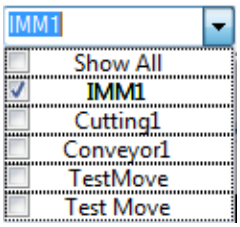
| Icon | Description |
|---|---|
|  | The **Stop** button stops the current execution. |
|  <br>xx1600001660 | Displays the available test move routines.<br>The path view graphics display is updated based on the selected test move routine. |
|  | The **Speed Control** list applies only to **Jump to** and **Move to** target. Simulation speed is determined by the RAPID program. |
|  | This list allows you to select the routines associated with specific station. The Test Move option in this list to view the path configured using test move. |

## 4.2.5.1.4 The configuration menu

### Check reach

This command checks whether the robot can reach a target. A successful result turns the target yellow, while an unsuccessful result turns it red.

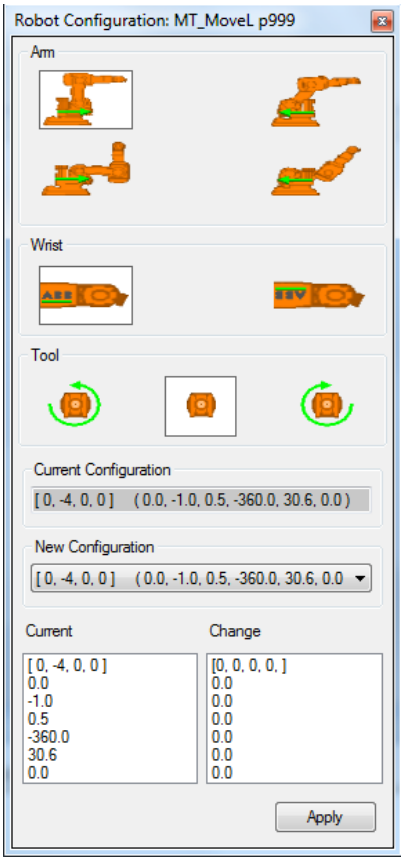
### Set configuration

Overview

The same target position and orientation can be attained in different ways, using different sets of axis angles. This settings is known as robot configurations. In Machine Tending PowerPac, robot configuration can be set for individual targets. The system calculates a configuration based on the selections, after which the values are displayed.

The Robot configuration window

The **Robot Configuration** window requires that you select three positions, one each for the robot arm, wrist, and tool, before clicking **Apply**.

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The following table describes the elements of the **Set Configuration** window:

| Object | Description |
|---|---|
| **Arm** | Specifies whether the robot wrist is in front of or behind axis 1, and whether the elbow is up or down. |
| **Wrist** | Specifies whether the axis 4 can be turned positive or negative. |

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| Object | Description |
|---|---|
| **Tool** | Specifies whether axis 6 can be turned positive or negative. If neutral is selected, the configuration of axis 6 is determined by the arm and wrist selections. |
| **New** | Displays the configuration and joint values for a selected configuration, as well as alternatives. |
| **Current** | Displays the configuration currently stored in the selected target. |
| **Change** | Displays the difference in joint values between the currently selected target and the preceding target in the path. |

**Tip**

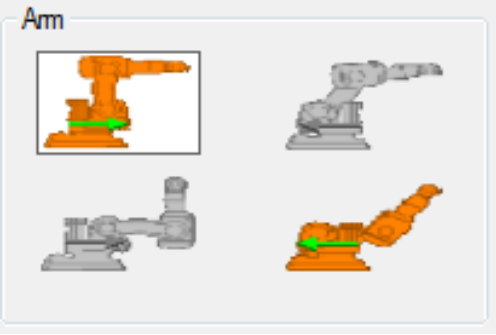
If the **Robot Configuration** window and the **Modify Target** dialog box are open at the same time the configuration is automatically recalculated when the target is modified, which helps in determining how much you can adjust the target while keeping it within reach.

### Setting Robot configuration

The Machine Tending PowerPac provides two ways to set Robot configuration for a target.

- Specify a configuration setting by selecting a combination of arm, wrist, and tool configuration among the symbols on the control. The settings is used to find the most suitable robot configuration.
- Manually select a robot configuration among all the possibilities given. This is done by selecting one of the robot configurations in the drop-down **New**. The configuration setting controls is then be updated accordingly.

When selecting a configuration, the selected symbol gets a frame around it, and the selection process makes the background white for the valid configuration that is selected. If the two (the frame and the white background) does not coincide, the selection could not be fulfilled.

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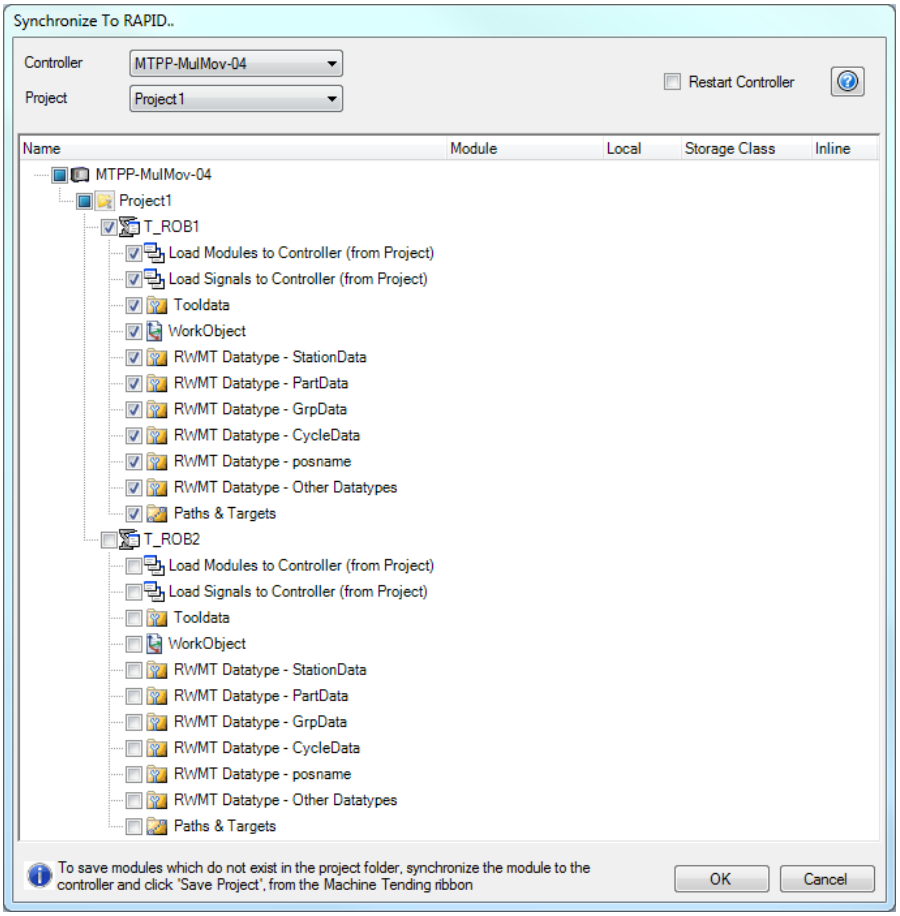
## 4.2.6 Controller options

## 4.2.6.1 Synchronize to RAPID

### Introduction

The **Synchronize to RAPID** option enables the creation of RAPID modules on the Virtual Controller (VC) for a selected project.

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The **Synchronize to RAPID** option offers the following possibilities:

- Load project modules to VC.
- Synchronize the following data types apart from the regular `WObj` and `ToolData`.
  - `GrpData`
  - `PartData`
  - `CycleData`
  - `StationData`
  - `ProjInfo`
  - `posname`
- Synchronize the target and the routines defined in the RobotStudio.

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- Load signals to the virtual controller for the station signals and gripper signals.

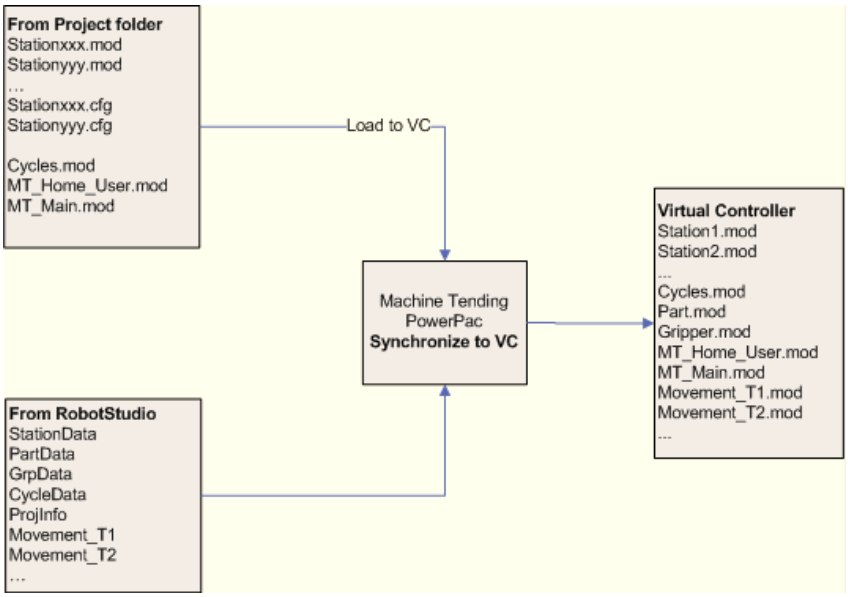
To create the project related information on the virtual controller.

| Action | Description |
|---|---|
| Define tool, stations, parts, cycles, HomeRun, movement in the Project. | All the items are created and listed in the browser tree. |
| Click **Synchronize to RAPID**.<br>The **Synchronize to RAPID** window is displayed. | |
| Select the required items for synchronizing including options to load the station signals and restart the controller. | The project properties lists all the modules that are part of the Project.<br>• All the module name entries belonging to Project are listed. These modules are loaded to controller from the file system. If there is no corresponding module in the file system for an entry, then it is highlighted as **Module does not exist**.<br>• All the data types and routines created from MTPP. |
| Click **OK**. | The selected project modules are loaded to controller from the file system.<br>The selected items are synchronized to the Virtual controller. |

**Note**

The message **Module does not exist in Project folder** is not an error. It is indicating that the file has not yet been saved. Synchronize to VC and select **Save Project** option from the MTPP ribbon. This saves the modules in the project from the VC into the folder.

The process of different modules (also signals) getting included into the virtual controller is illustrated in the following diagram.

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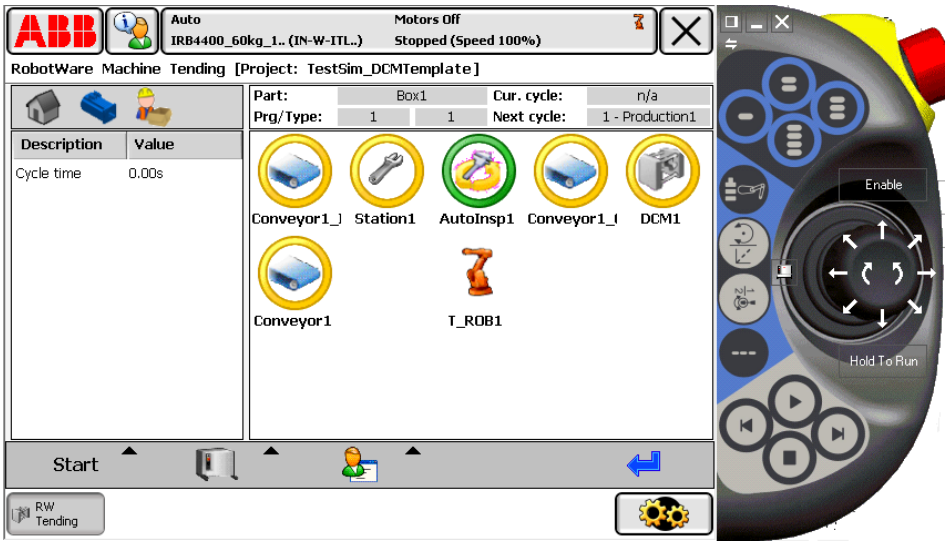
After synchronization, all the modules are included in the VC. The sequence of synchronization is in the same order as in the dialog, that is, first modules are loaded to controller followed by synchronizing the data types and then the routines. For the selected station modules which are loaded to the controller, the corresponding station signals are also added to the controller. The signals are included within the corresponding station units. When data type `grpdata` is selected for synchronization, the corresponding gripper signals are added to the controller. The controller has to be restarted when there are updates to the configuration. The **Restart** option restarts the controller after synchronization.

The status modules associated with the project indicates whether the module exists in the project folder to load to the controller.

## 4.2.6.2 Virtual FlexPendant

### Introduction

The **Virtual FlexPendant** option allows you to open the virtual FlexPendant. On opening the FlexPendant the RobotWare Machine Tending application can be viewed.

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You can open the Virtual FlexPendant in one of the following ways:

- In the **Controller Tools** group, click **Virtual FlexPendant**.
- Press the keyboard shortcut, CTRL + F5.

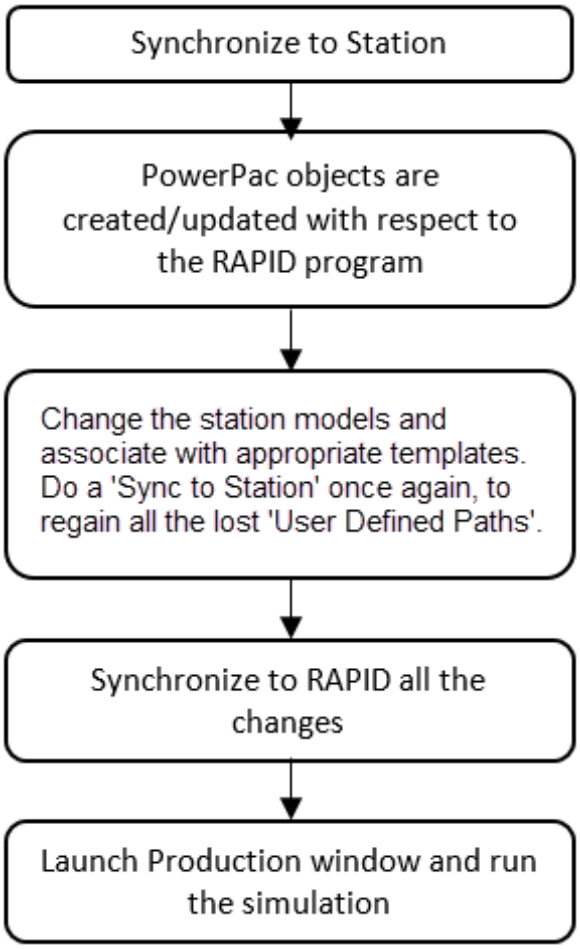
**Note**

The Virtual FlexPendant is applicable while running a virtual controller.

## 4.2.6.3 Synchronize to Station

**Introduction**

The **Synchronize to Station** option generates the powerpac objects in MTPP based on the configured RAPID program. With the help of this feature, you can generate most of the cell layout in virtual environment of RobotStudio for modeling, offline programming, and verification of the complete simulation of the machine tending station with minimal configuration efforts.

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The Synchronize to station feature works in any one of the following situations:

- There is an existing RobotStudio station (Pack and Go) with the Machine Tending project configured and synchronized to VC.
- There is a new RobotStudio station with a VC containing Machine Tending modules and synchronize to station operation is performed to show the content in MTPP.

Synchronize to station of MTPP synchronizes the following powerpac objects apart from the regular WorkObject and ToolData.

- `GrpData`
- `PartData`

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- `CycleData`
- `StationData`
- `ProjInfo`
- `Posname`
- Targets and the movement routines
- `HomeRun logic`
- `Cycle logic`

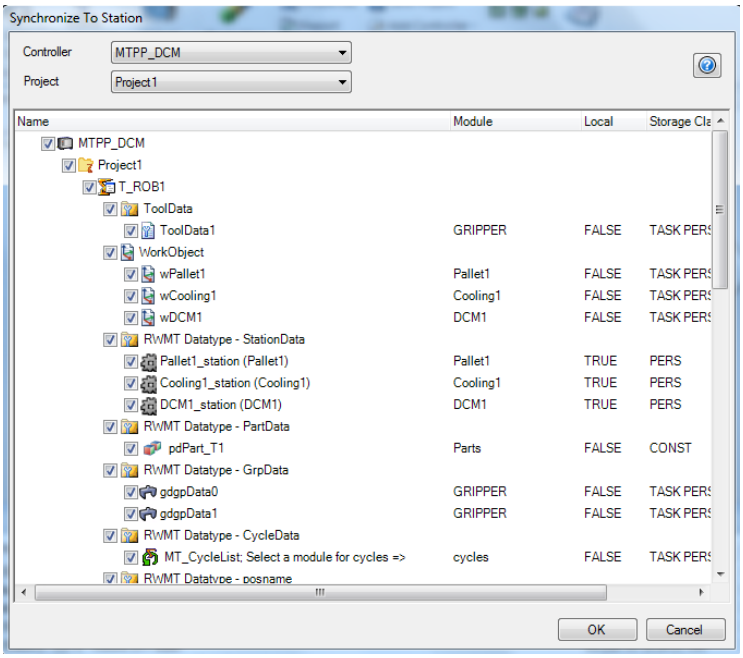
The following conditions must be satisfied before performing the synchronize to station:

- RAPID program contains Machine Tending modules – That is, RAPID programming must be in adherence to the programs created using the PowerPac.
- A tool must be attached to the robot.

To Synchronize only the station objects:

1 Click **Synchronize** > **Synchronize to Station**.

The **Synchronize to Station** window is displayed.

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2 Clear all the default selections and select only the following:

- WorkObject
- RWMT Datatype – StationData
- RWMT Datatype – posname
- Paths & Targets

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### 4.2.6.3 Synchronize to Station
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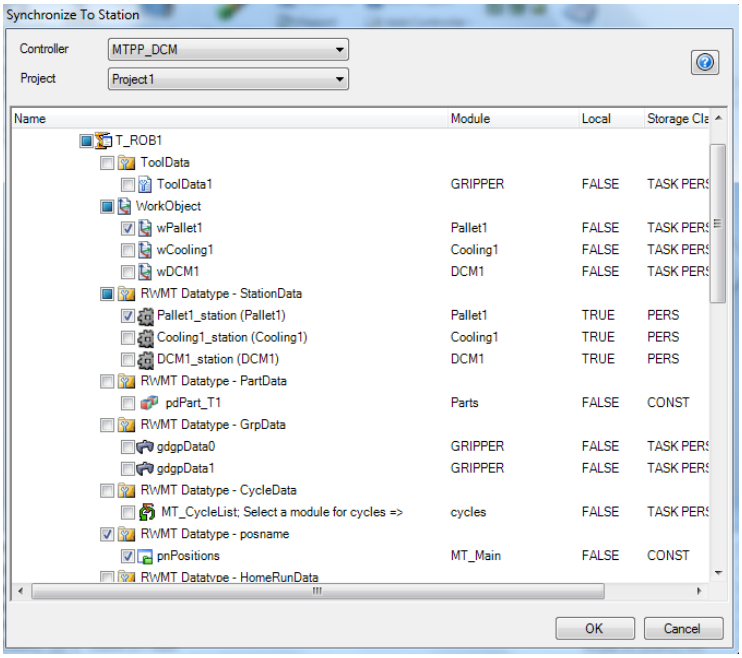
**Note**

If a single station object is to be synchronized then select the data types for that particular station.

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3 Click **OK**.

The station is created with the following properties:

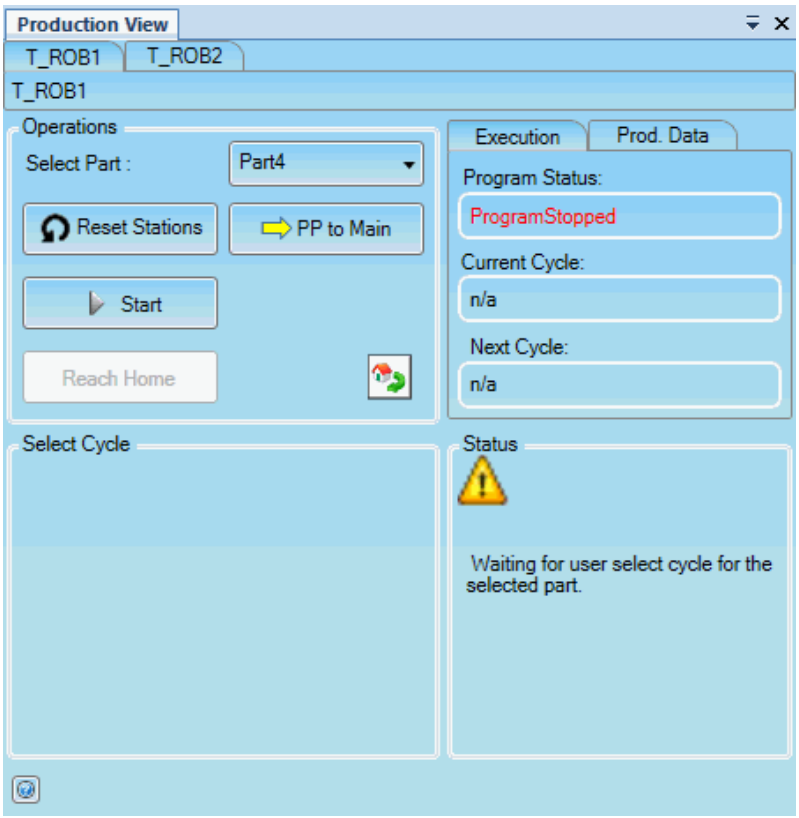
- Station model by default is Generic table.
- Station is associated with “No Template”
- Station is placed according to the workobject.
- Station number is with respect to the target numbering of the station.

## 4.2.7 Simulation

### 4.2.7.1 Production view

**Introduction**

The **Production View** feature enables simulation of cycles in RobotStudio.

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**Prerequisites**

Following are the prerequisites for running the simulation:

- The Project is configured completely with information about the part, stations, cycles, and so on.
- It is synchronized to VC and is error free.
- All the required movement routines for different cycles and HomeRun are configured and validated using Path view.
- The PartData is configured to run with cycles and the name of the processing routine is defined.
- The processing routine is defined to call the corresponding cycle routine.
- The corresponding **cycledata** is updated in the `MT_Main( )` module.
- Ensure that the entry position in simulation setup is set to `main( )` routine.

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4.2.7.1 Production view
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**Simulation procedure**

The following procedure describes the process of simulating the cycles:

| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Select **Production** from the **Simulation** group.<br>The **Production View** window is displayed. | |
| 2 | Select the required task tab. | |
| 3 | Click **PP to Main**.<br>The program pointer is set to `MT_Execute( )` in the `MT_Main( )` module. |  <br>xx1300000526 |
| 4 | Click **Reset Stations**.<br>Resets all the station smart components to their initial state. |  <br>xx1300000527<br>Each Station SmartComponent (SC) has an initial state. For example, for the Injection Moulding Machine, the initial state of the machine is open with the signals for core pullers, ejectors being set to the respective values.<br>**Note**<br>This is required to be done only once during a simulation. But if there are some situations where the station smart component is not behaving as expected they can be reset again. |
| 5 | Select a part from the **Part** drop-down list.<br>The part is selected. |  <br>xx1300000524<br>This is the first step while executing the cycles. For the selected part, the corresponding cycles are shown in the Cycles List based on the part processing routine.<br>Click **Deselect** to clear the selection |
| 6 | Click **Start**.<br>The robot automatically moves to the home position. |  <br>xx1300000528<br>For selecting any cycle for production, the robot must be in the home position. As the robot moves to the home position, the **Start** button is enabled again.<br>**Note**<br>It might be required to select the **Start** and **Reach Home** more than once to move the Robot. This behavior is the same as on the RobotWare Machine Tending user interface on the FlexPendant where there is a confirmation for every operation. |

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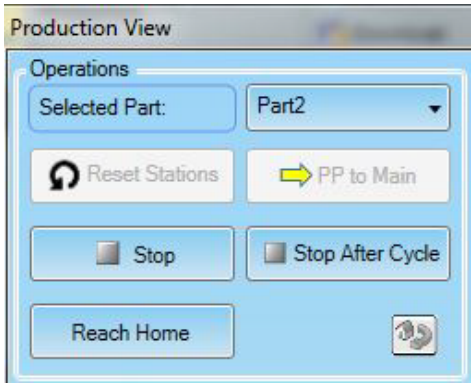
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 7 | Click **Start** again.<br>The simulation is started and a list of available cycles is displayed. | Once you start a cycle the options to stop and stop after cycle are available as shown in the following figure.<br>  <br>xx1500002115 |
| 8 | Select a cycle from the **Cycles** list and click on the play button.<br>The cycle is executed together with the station components as defined in the cycledata. That is, either continuous, counter, periodic, and so on. |  <br>xx1300000570<br>When the selected cycle is executing, the next possible cycles are listed for selection. This behavior is same as that on the RobotWare Machine Tending FlexPendant user interface. For example, when a continuous cycle is executing, the action cycles are listed and vice-versa.<br>If the robot is stopped, the list of cycles is not displayed.<br>**Note**<br>If the selected cycle does not execute or the cycle is blinking, then there might be missing or incorrect information configured in the RAPID modules. Verify the RAPID for the following common issues.<br>• Whether the part data and cycle routines are properly mapped.<br>• Whether the cycle data is configured with the correct cycle information.<br>For more details on starting individual station smart components, see *Starting simulation for station smart components on page 121*. |
| 9 | While simulation is executing click **Reach Home**<br>The simulation stops. |  <br>xx1500002110 |

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### 4.2.7.1 Production view

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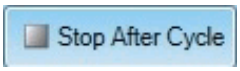
| | Action | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 10 | Click **Start**.<br>Depending on the current position of the robot and whether there is a home run strategy configured, the robot either follows the strategy or directly moves to the home position. | **Note**<br>It might be required to select the **Start** and **Reach Home** more than once to move the Robot. This behavior is the same as on the RobotWare Machine Tending user interface on the FlexPendant where there is a confirmation for every operation. |
| 11 | Repeat the steps 6 and 7 to start simulating the cycles. | |
| 12 | Click **Stop After Cycle**.<br>The currently running cycle is completed and moves the robot to the home position. |  <br>xx1300000533 |
| 13 | Click **Stop**.<br>The robot stops immediately and the program can be restarted again. |  <br>xx1300000535 |

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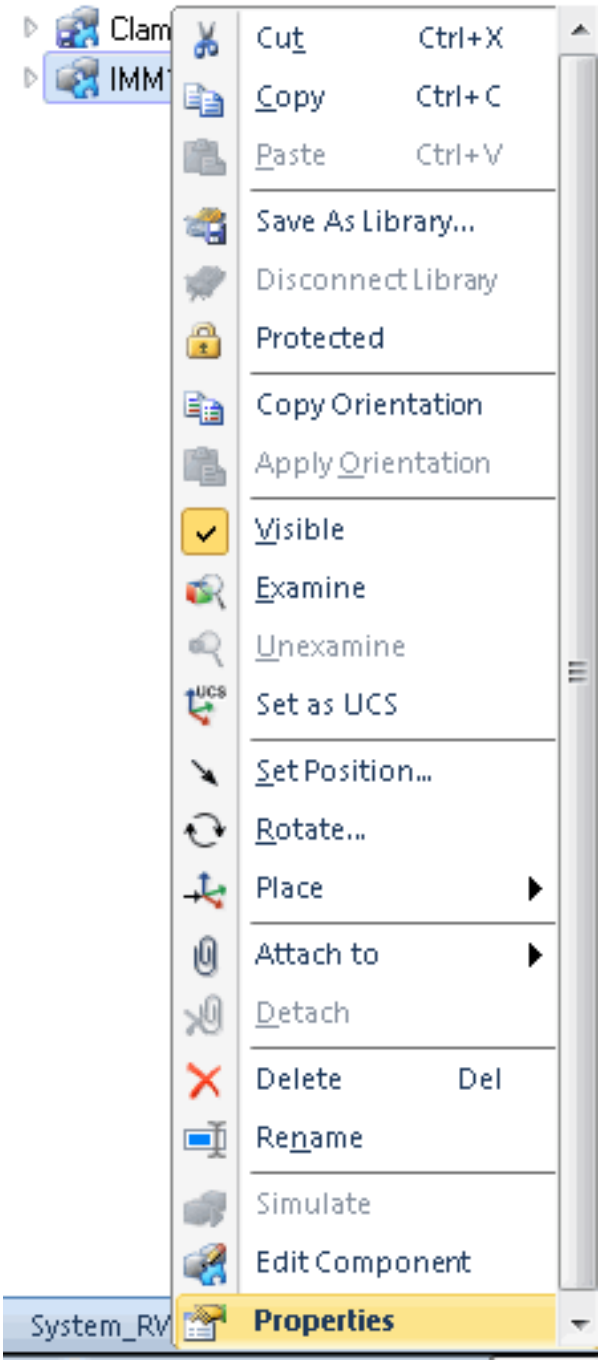
**Starting simulation for station smart components**

While simulating some station smart components for the first time, it might be needed to set some signals to trigger the operation. There are unique signals for each smart component which can be accessed from the context menu, Properties sections for each smart component as shown in the following image.

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The different signals to be selected for smart components are:

- For Injection Moulding Machine

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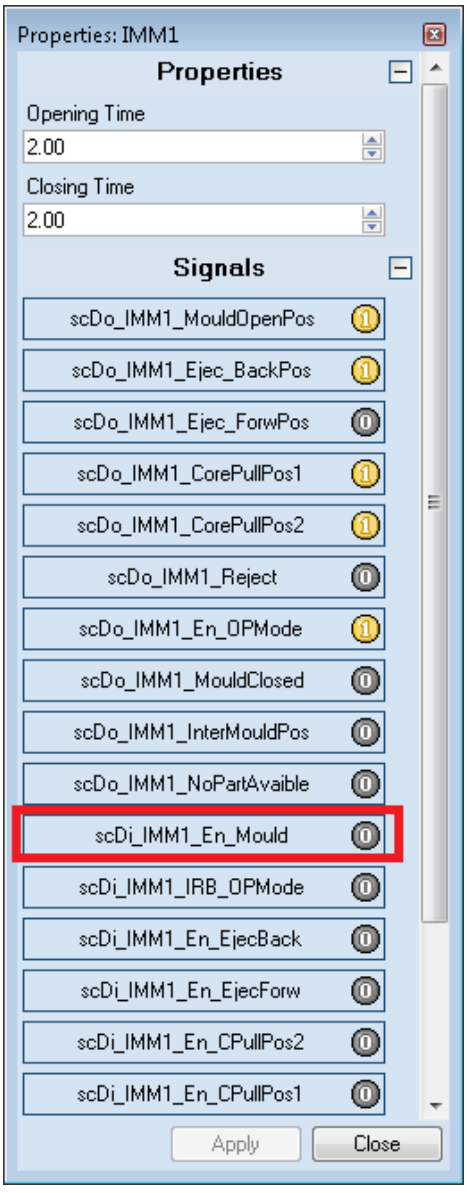
The IMM starts the operations to close the mould by selecting the signal `scDi_%STATION%_En_Mould`. This signal is to be set or reset for the first time the IMM simulation is executed. Subsequently the machine is handled by the cycles.

For example, `scDi_IMM1_En_Mould`

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- For Die Casting Machines

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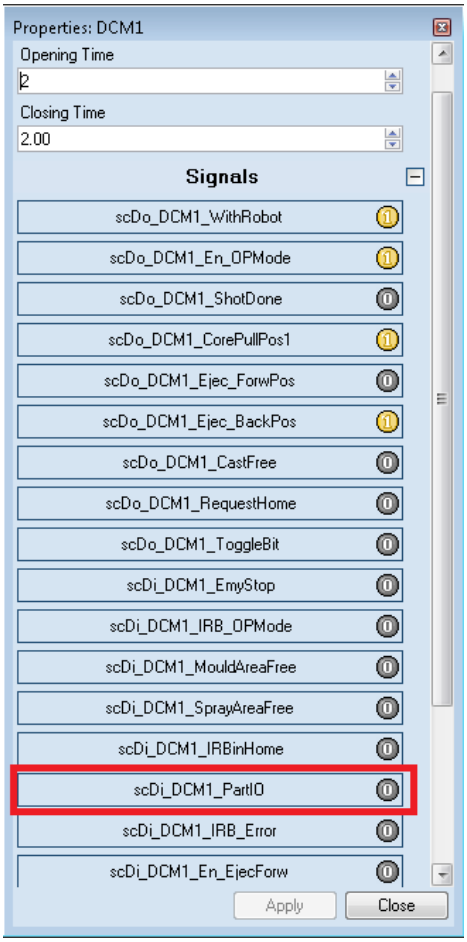
The signal `scDi_%xxxxxx%_PartIO` is used to start the next cycle for the Die casting machine. This signal is usually set by the cycle.

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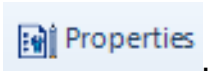
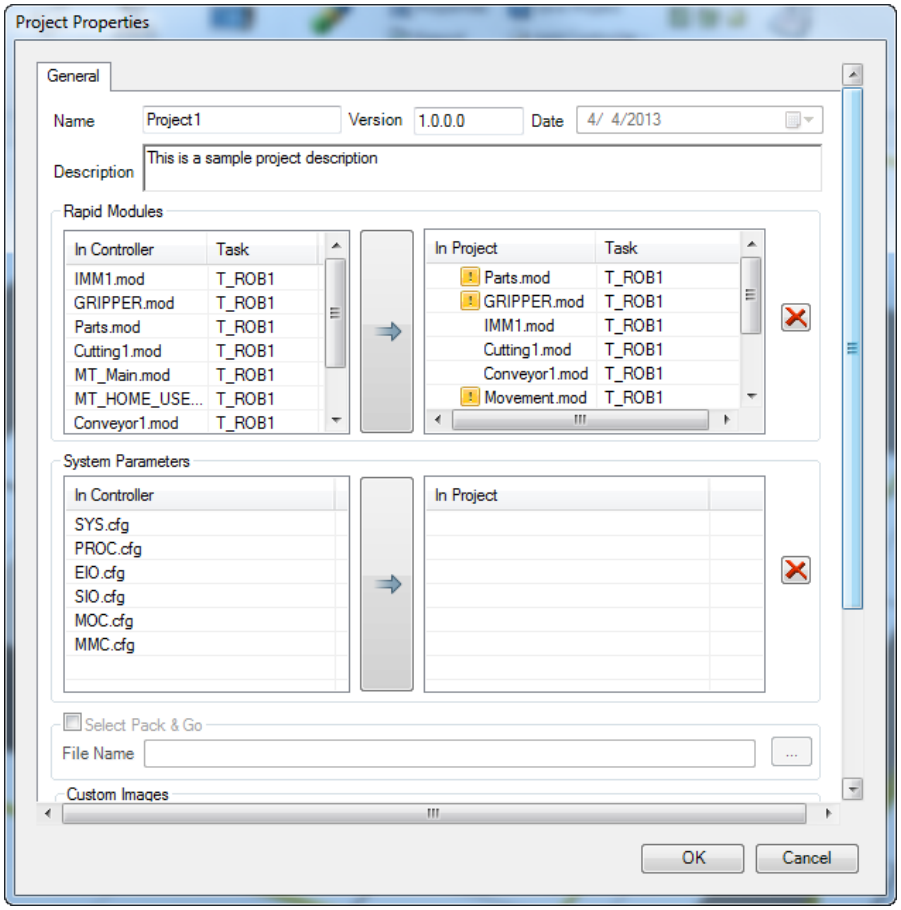
## 4.2.8 Project

### 4.2.8.1 Project properties

The **Project Properties** option allows you to manage the project. For more details refer, *Project concept on page 14*.

Click the **Properties** button 

. The **Project Properties** window is displayed.

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You can perform the following tasks to manage a selected project.

- To rename the project, type the new name in the **Name** text box.

  On clicking **OK**, the project name in the browser tree, folder name, and `*.mtp` file is updated.
- To change the version number of the project , type the new version number in the **Version** text box.

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- To change the project description, type new description in the **Description** text box.

  > **Note**
  >
  > Project description is limited to 78 characters.

- To add RAPID modules from the controller to the selected project, in the **Rapid Modules** section, select the module in the **In Controller** column and click the arrow button.

  The selected module is added to the **In project** list box.

- To delete a RAPID modules from the selected project, in the **Rapid Modules** section, select the module in the **In Project** column and click  . It is only possible to delete the modules added from the controller list, in the project properties dialog.

  > **Note**
  >
  > To delete a module entry which is also listed in the browser tree of the Project requires it to be deleted from the browser tree. This will automatically update the Project properties.

- To add configuration parameters from the controller to the selected project, in the **System Parameters** section, select the parameter in the **In Controller** column and click the arrow button.

  The selected configuration parameter is added to the **In project** list box.

- To delete a configuration parameter from the selected project, in the **System Parameters** section, select the parameter in the **In Project** column and click  .

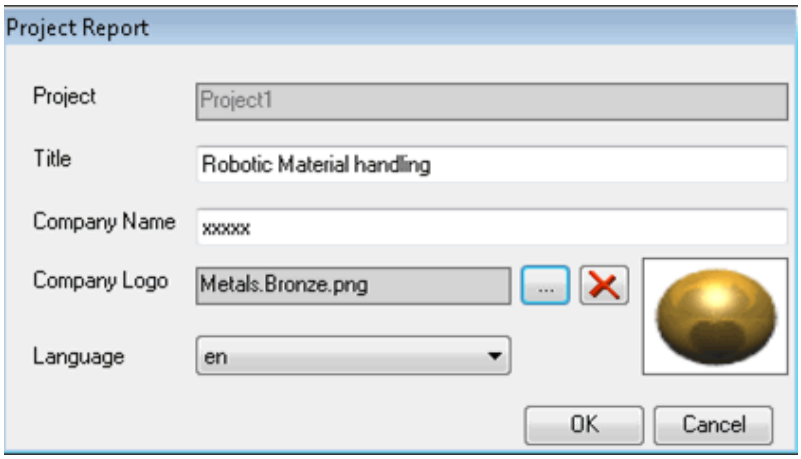
- It is possible to select the name of the Pack & Go file associated with the Project.

- All the images corresponding to the Project are saved in the Images folder under the Project. The names of all the images are listed in the `Project.mtp` file. From the Properties dialog, it is possible to add or delete images to the folder and update the `Project.mtp` file.

## 4.2.8.2 Project report

### Generate reports

This feature generates Project reports in word format for reference purpose. It contains the information configured from MTPP and gives a guideline to include the additional details about the Project.

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Some information presented in the Report:

- Project Description and details about different Modules
- Position Description
- RobotWare Machine Tending Data type declarations
  - StationData, PartData, GripData, CycleData
- HomeRun strategy described in an image.
- Examples on
  - How to pictorically describe the stations
  - Textual description of different cycles

This information is expected to be filled by the user for the current application.

To generate a Report, follow the steps listed below:

| Step | Operation | Result |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Click **Reports**.<br>The **Project Report** window is displayed. | Reports dialog opens. |
| 2 | Type a title for the report in the **Title** text box. | The title is shown in the first page. |
| 3 | Type the name of the company in the **Company Name** text box. | |
| 4 | Select a logo from the **Company Logo** list. | The name of the company and the logo are used in the footer section of the report. |
| 5 | Select a language from the **Language** drop-down list. | |

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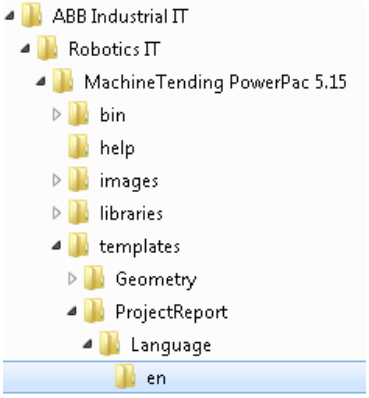
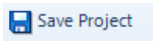
| Step | Operation | Result |
|---|---|---|
| 6 | Click **OK**. | The report is generated from a sample template document (`sample.doc`) placed in the language specific folder in the installation folder of the Machine Tending PowerPac.<br>  <br><br>xx1300000539<br>You can translate the existing template to a different language and place it in the corresponding language folder and select the same from the dialog. |
| 7 | Select to view the report | The report is displayed. |

## 4.2.9 Transfer

### 4.2.9.1 Save project

In the **Transfer** group, click **Save Project**.

When you click the **Save Project** button 

the following changes are saved in the project folder:

- All the Program Modules listed in Project properties (`Project.mtp`) are saved from Controller into the file system under: `~\<System Name>\HOME\RobotWare Machine Tending\Projects\<Project Name>\RAPID\<Active Task Name>\`
- Custom images, added from Project Properties user interface, are saved under: `~\<System Name>\HOME\RobotWare Machine Tending\Projects\<Project Name>\Images\`
- Pack & Go, added from the Project Properties user interface, are saved under: `~\<System Name>\HOME\RobotWare Machine Tending\Projects\<Project Name>\PackNGo`

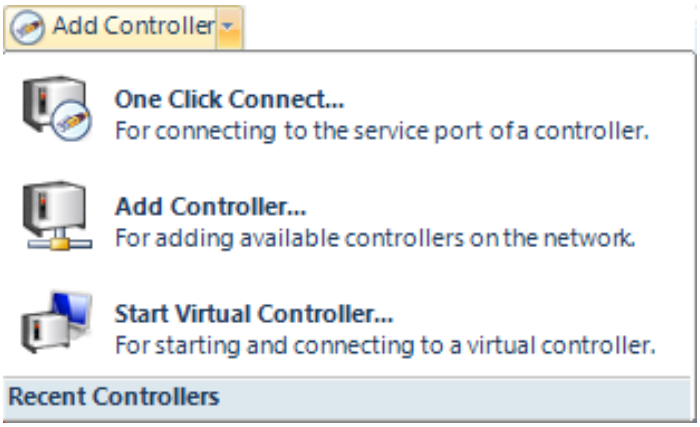
**Note**

To save configuration files, you have to manually save them from the controller.

Saving the project prepares the project folder with content which can be downloaded to the real controller.

## 4.2.9.2 Add controller

In the **Transfer** group, click **Add Controller**. The **Add Controller** list is displayed.

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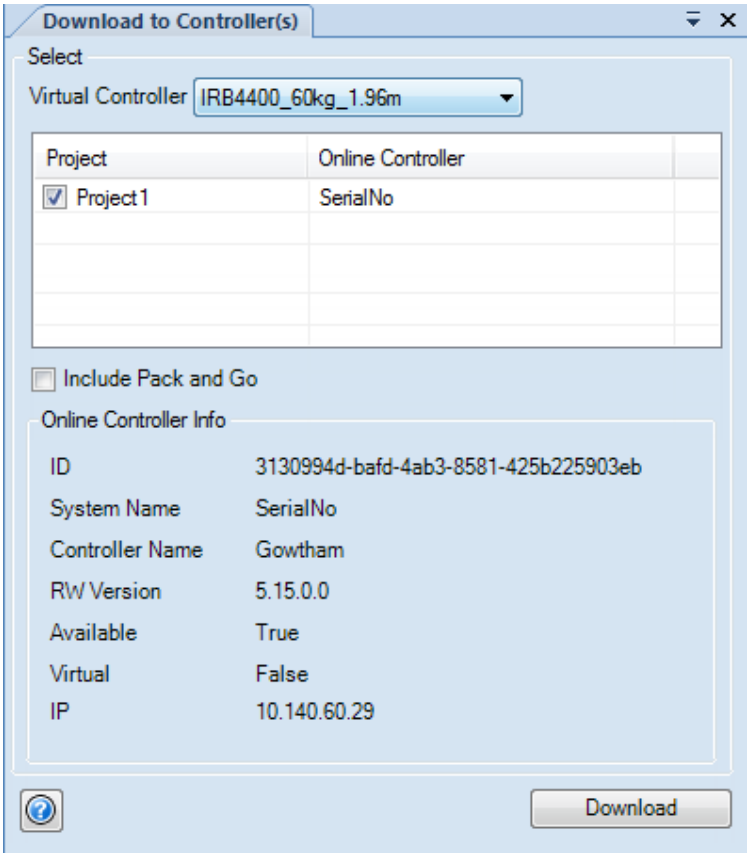
The **Add Controller** list has the following options:

- **Add Controller** - For adding available controllers to the network.
- **One Click Connect** - For connecting to the service port of the controller.
- **Start Virtual Controller** - For deploying a project to the VC.

## 4.2.9.3 Download

In the **Transfer** group, click the **Download** button 

. The **Download to Controller(s)** window is displayed. The available virtual controllers and online controllers are listed in the table.

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The download includes:

- Transferring the Project folder and its contents to the selected controller. The project is copied under the system folder.
- If the **Include Pack and Go** check box is selected, then the `*.rspag` is copied under the `.../hd0a/MTPP/` folder. It is not included in the system folder to avoid issues while taking system backup.

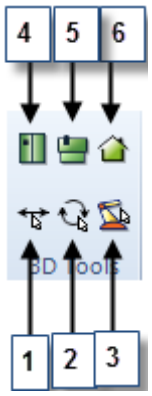
## 4.2.10 3D tools

### 4.2.10.1 Using the options in the 3D tools group

**Introduction**

The **3D Tools** group allows you to manage the movement of the robot using freehand tools and manage the view of the robot system.

The following figure and table provides information regarding different elements in the **3D Tools** group.

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| Label | Button name | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Move** | Allows you to drag an item relative to the active reference coordinate system. |
| 2 | **Rotate** | Allows you to enable rotation around the various axes of an object determined by the reference coordinate system. |
| 3 | **Jog Joint** | Allows you to jog the different axes of a robot. |
| 4 | **Top** | Displays the top view of the station with reference to the selected coordinate system. |
| 5 | **Front** | Displays the front view of the station with reference to the selected coordinate system. |
| 6 | **Right** | Displays the right view of the station with reference to the selected coordinate system. |

The following sections provide information regarding using the tools in the 3D tools group.

**Moving an item**

1 In the **Layout** browser, select the item you want to move.
2 Click **Move**.
3 In the graphics window, click one of the axes and drag the item into position.

**Rotating an item**

1 In the **Layout** browser, select the item you want to rotate.
2 Click **Rotate**.

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3 In the graphics window, click one of the rotational rings and drag the item into position.

If you press the **ALT** key while rotating, the item will snap 10 degrees at a time.

**Jogging the joints of a robot**

1 In the **Layout** browser, select the robot you want to move.
2 Click **Jog Joint**.
3 Click the joint you want to move and drag it to the preferred position.

If you press the **ALT** key when jogging the joints of the robot, the robot will move 10 degrees at a time. If you press the **f** key, the robot will move 0.1 degree at a time.

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