

Recommendation for the rational use of shared licences Siemens NX (hereafter NX) is the main CAD/CAM/CAE development tool in the Group. As it is a pay-as-you-use programme, you need a licence to use it. There are two licensing options. The first option is that each user has his own licence, the second option is so-called floating licences, which are shared between users in a specific group. A floating licence is more expensive than a regular licence, but it is a more economical choice for us because it is shared by more users. We currently have »var1NXMach1« floating licences available for NX Mach 1 Design, these licences provide a set of all the basic functionality for users, for »var1NXMach1« computers at the same time. If we try to open NX as the »var2NXMach1« user, we get a message because the maximum number of users has been reached: "License Error: Licensed number of users already reached". The program will not open and we have to wait for a colleague to close NX. At that point the licence is released and we can open the program. You can monitor the licence occupancy at this link: [http://portal.gorenje.si/org/cadcam/SitePages/Zasedenost\\_licenc.aspx](http://portal.gorenje.si/org/cadcam/SitePages/Zasedenost_licenc.aspx) (The data is updated every minute, you need to refresh the page - F5 to see it again.) NX does not work like e.g. SAPGUI, which closes automatically after half an hour of inactivity. NX remains open or the licence is in use even if the computer goes to sleep. To avoid wasting time waiting for a free licence, care should be taken to always close NX when the program is not in active use. If someone intentionally or unintentionally opens NX and leaves it open for several days or even weeks, they are preventing other users from using the programme during that period. In addition, every minute that the licence is used is charged, which means a higher cost for your department. Again, we urge all users not to leave NX open when you are not working on it. Typically, the highest demand for licences is Monday to Thursday, between 10:00 and 14:00. So if possible, organise your commitments so that you use NX licences outside peak periods. Save the document and close the software when you are on your lunch break, in meetings or when you have other work commitments that do not involve working in NX. Check whether you can move meetings and other commitments to the peak load period of the licences and close NX at that time.