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# Unilab Developer Course Training Agenda

## Topics (1)

### Introduction

### Database

### Database API

### Life Cycles

### Custom Functions

### Connecting Instruments

## Unilab database training

- Conventions used
- Structure of the Unilab database
- Detailed discussion of the Unilab tables
- Querying the database

## Unilab Architecture

- 2 tier / 3 tier architecture
- Concept of event manager
- Concept of distributed event manager

## Topics (2)

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## Introduction to the DB APIs

- Definition and use of APIs
- Structure of the APIs
- Functional reference

## Customizing Unilab

- Unilab custom functions
- Introduction to DB custom functions
- Introduction to client custom functions
- How to use custom functions

## Equipment

- Uniconnect
- Unilink

# Database

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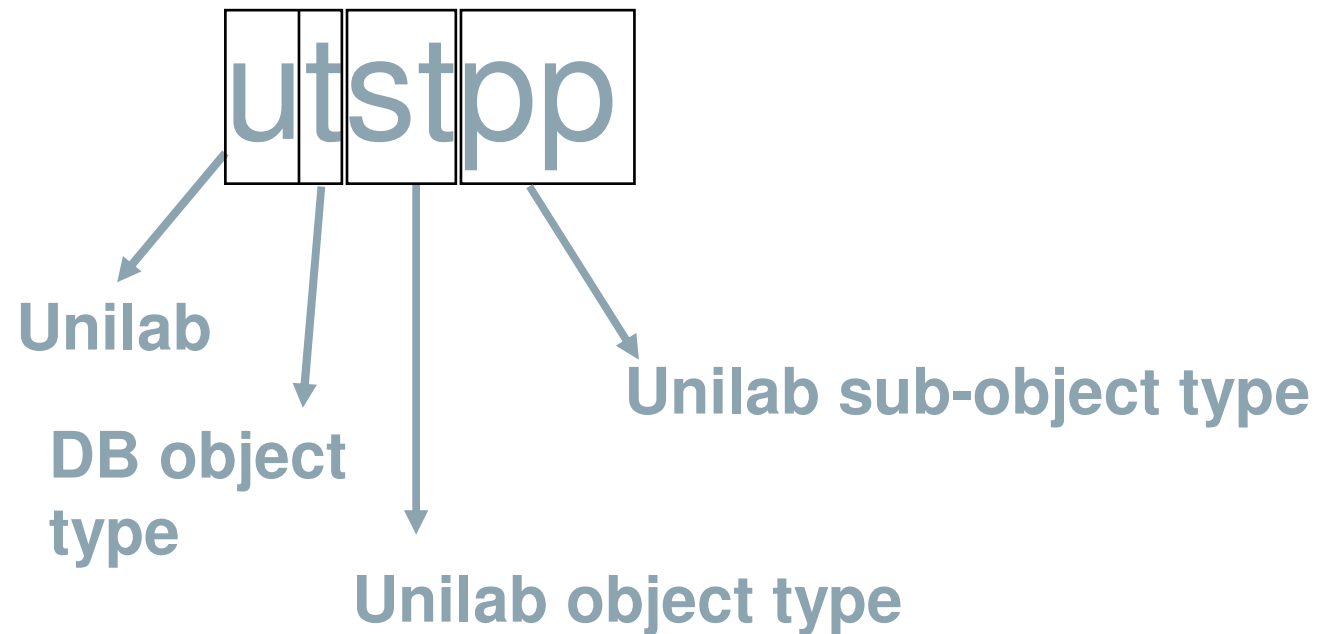
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Object naming convention



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### DB object types

- i index
- k primary key
- r role
- t table
- v view
- d data-domain related views

### Packages

- unapi + object type
- un + custom function type



## DB Conventions (3)

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### List of abbreviations

- Unilab objects (e.g. st, pp, up)
- Object properties (e.g. hs, ar)
- Config. versus operat. (e.g. pr - pa)

### Table naming examples

- Main object table : utst
- History : utsths
- Relation between objects: utstpp
- Attributes on relation: utstppau

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### DB Model

- Object structure => DB structure
- Configuration versus Operational
  - Functional differences
  - Technical differences
- Fixed table structure

# Configuration Model

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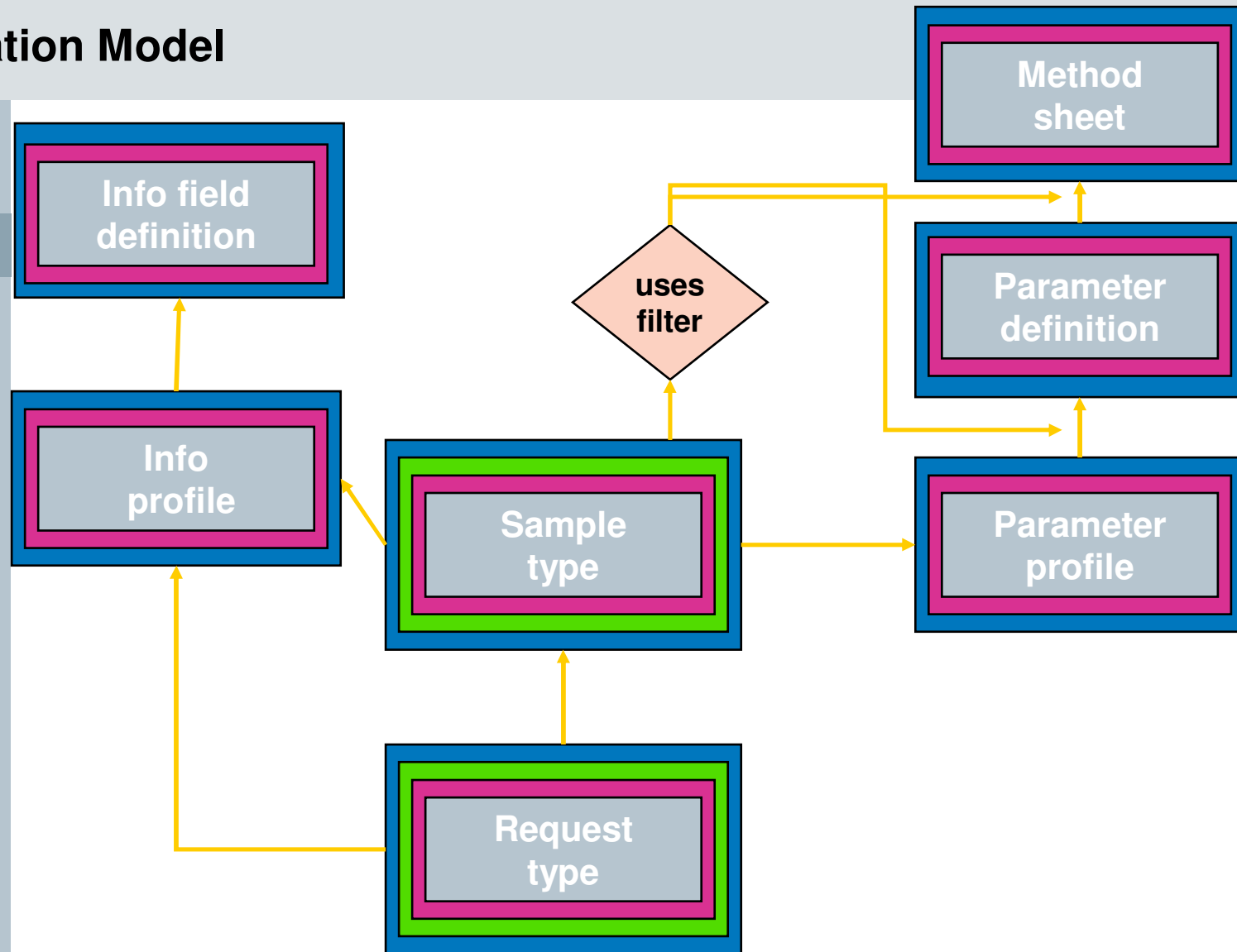
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# Object structure

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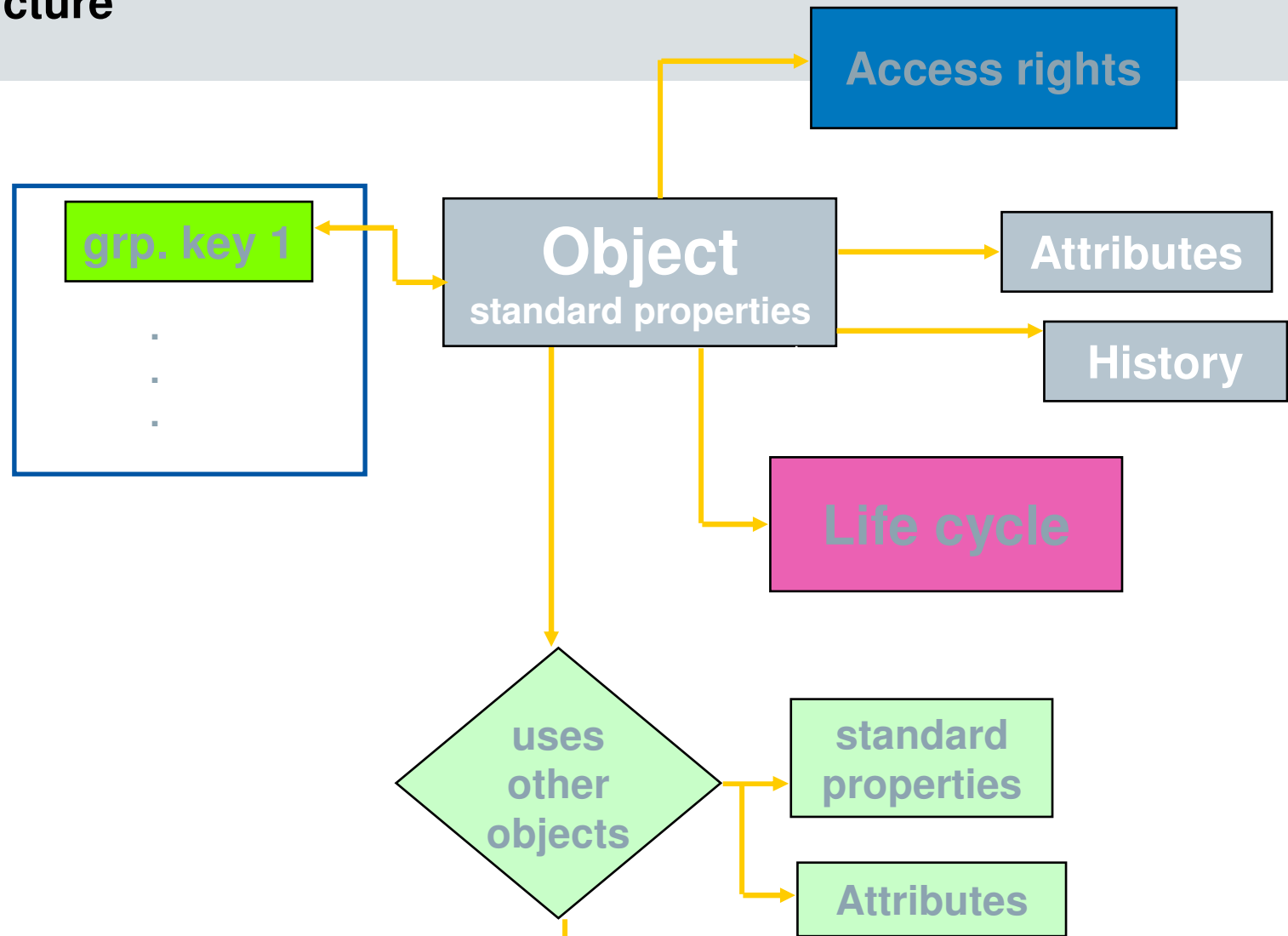
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## Table Model

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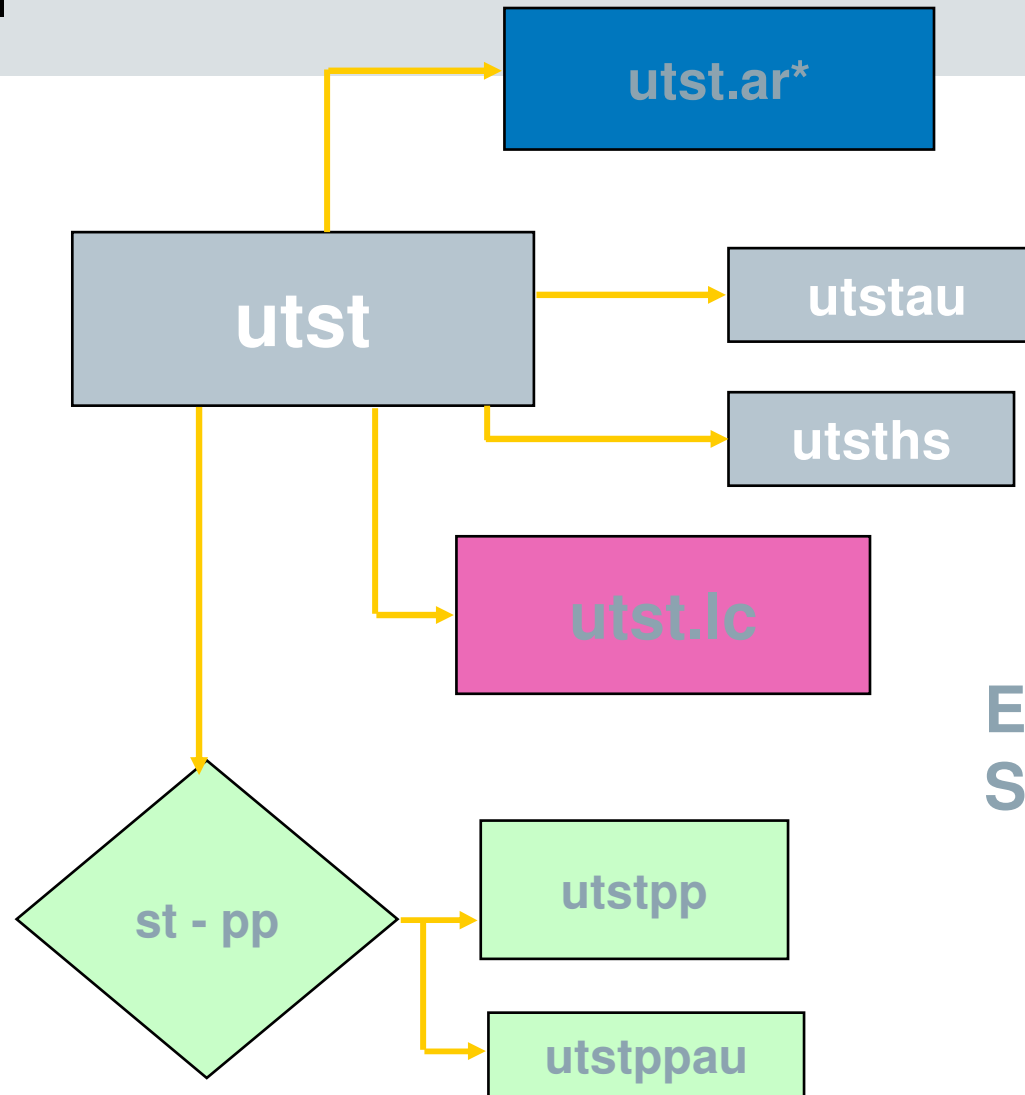
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Example:  
Sample Type

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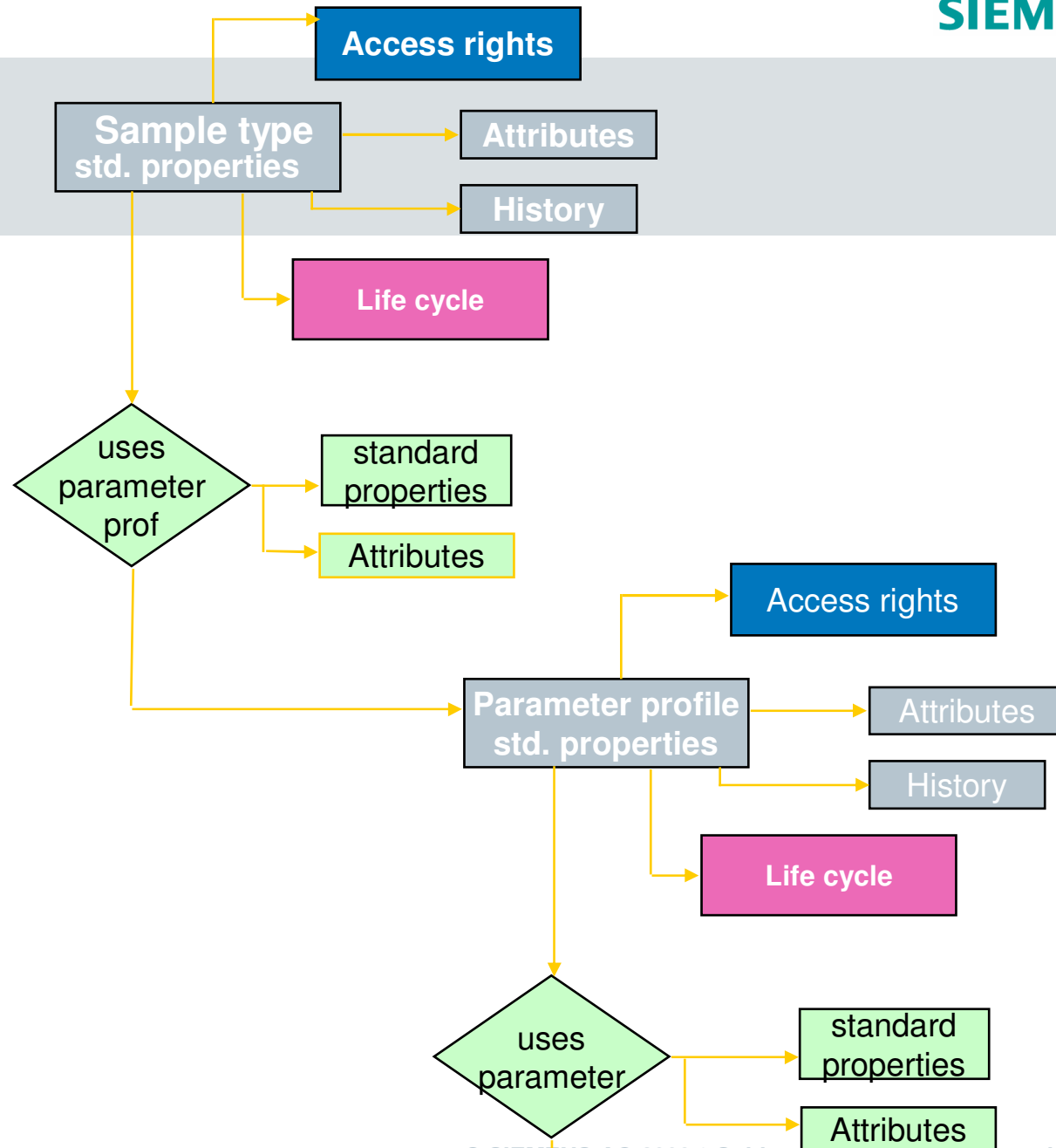
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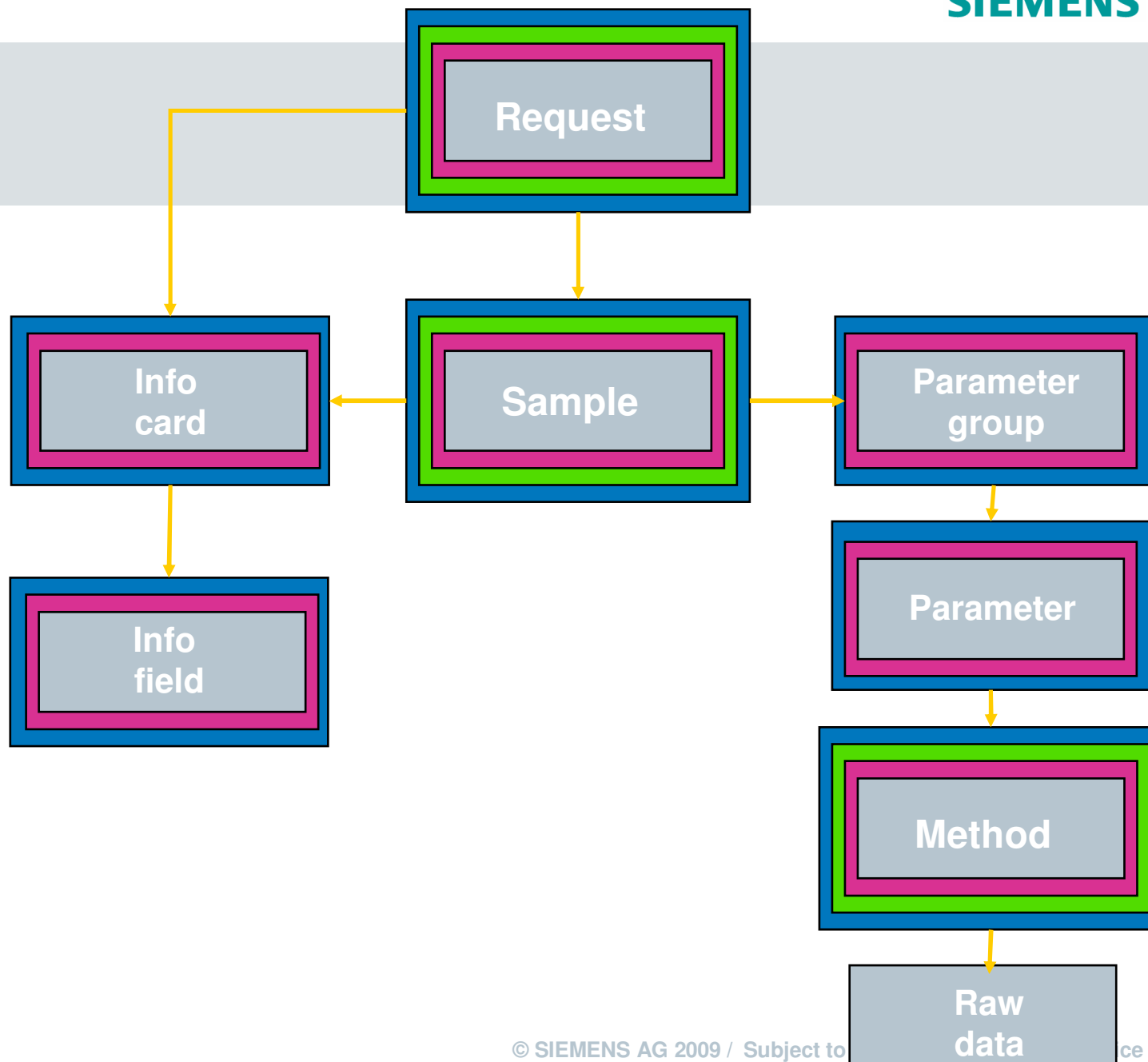
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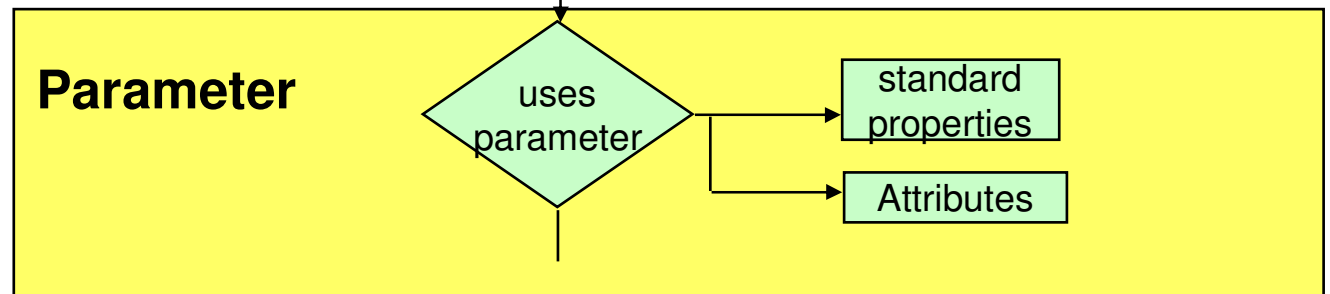
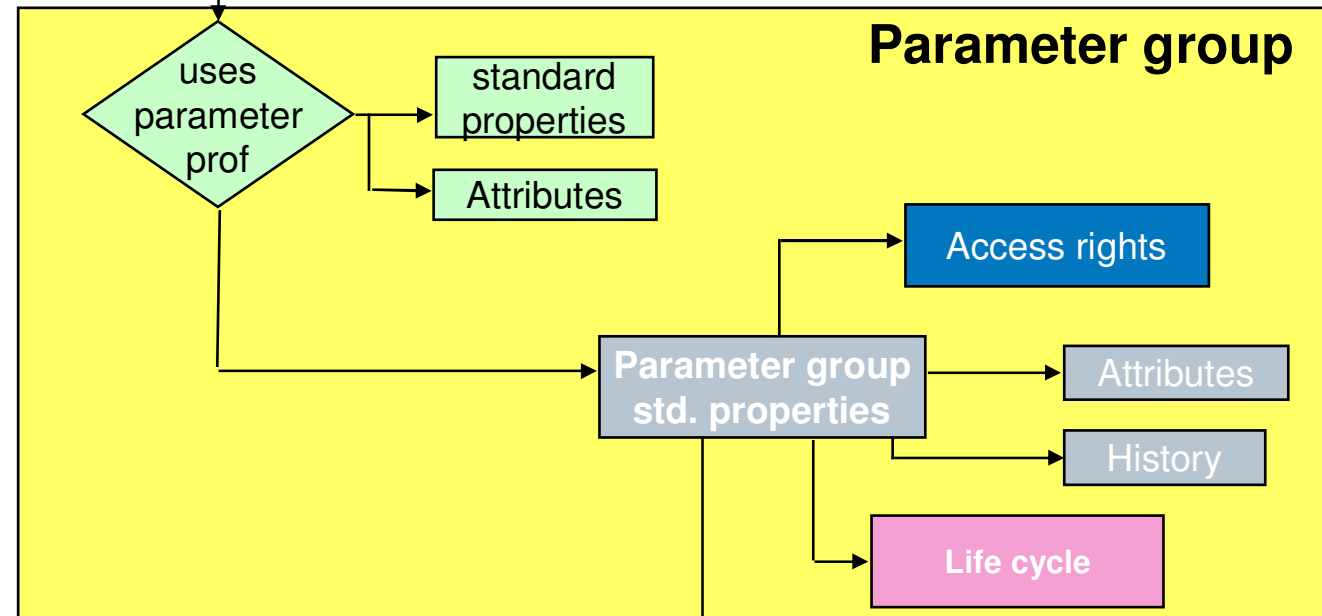
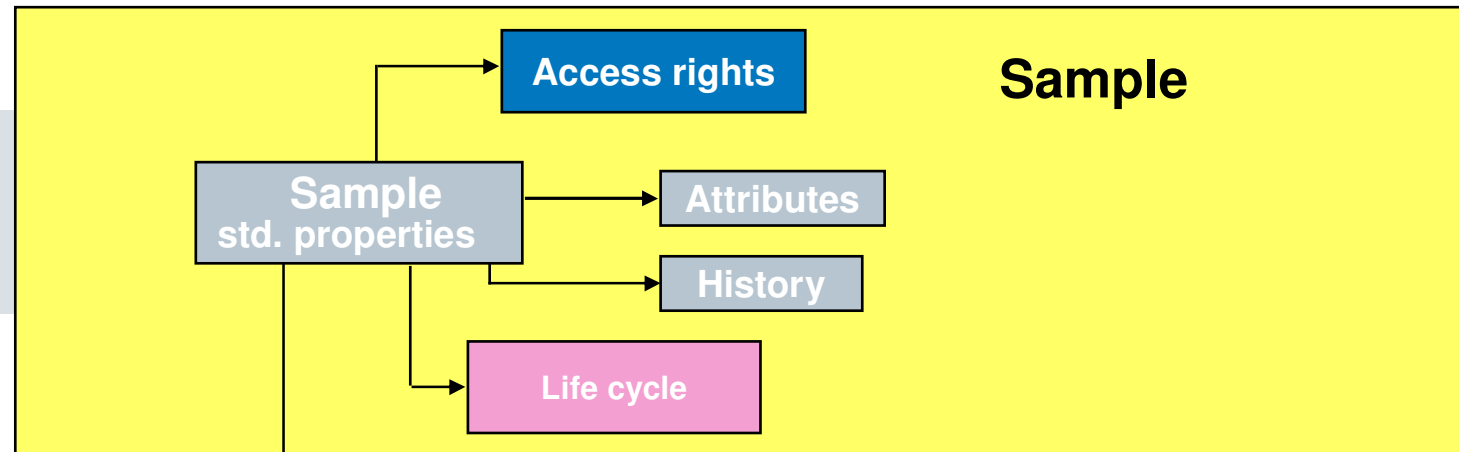
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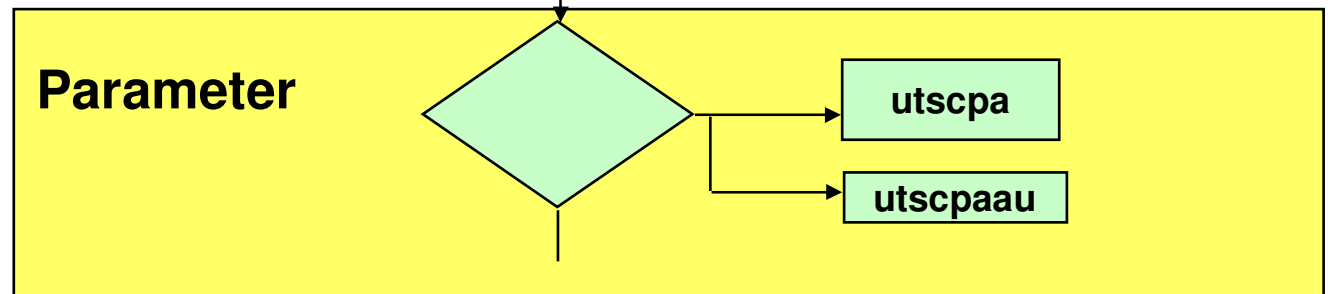
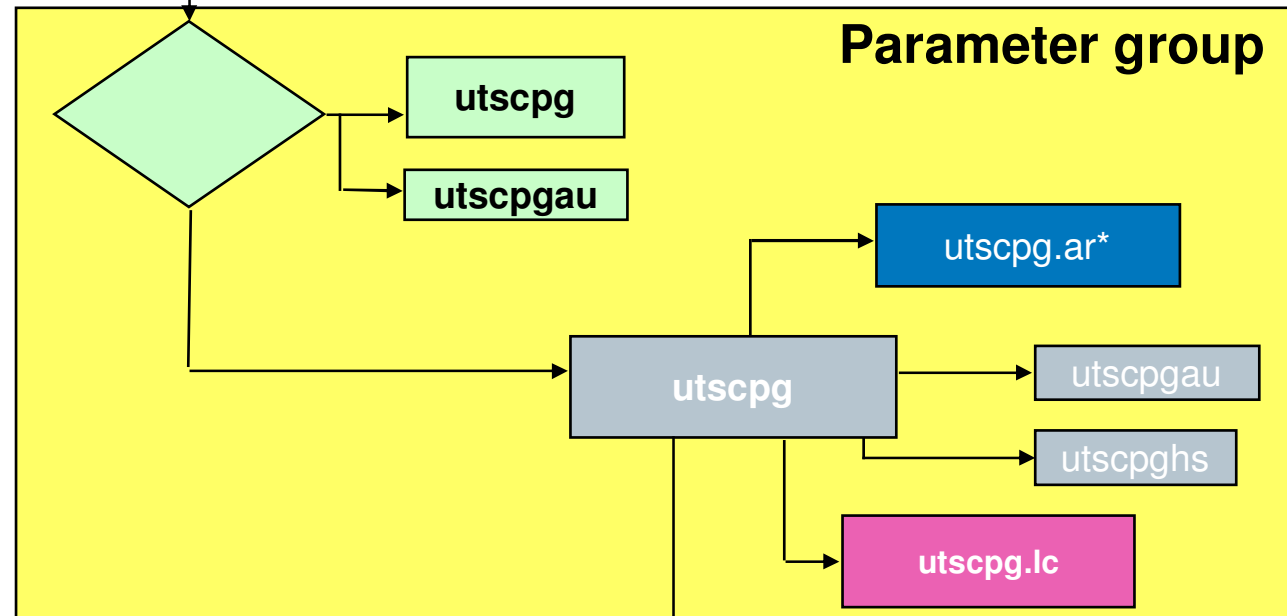
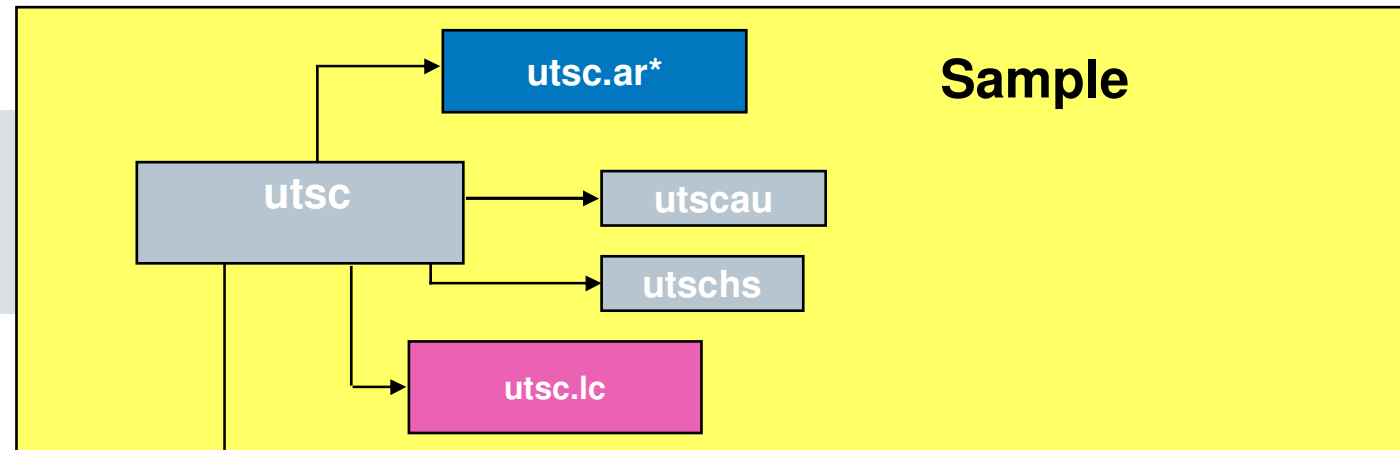
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utxx	
xx	}
version*	
description	
...	}
...	
lc	
ss	}
active	
allow_modify	
ar1	}
...	
ar16	

## Main object table

primary key

all std. attributes

only if object has  
access rights

\* Not in utsc, utrq

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## Table structure (2)

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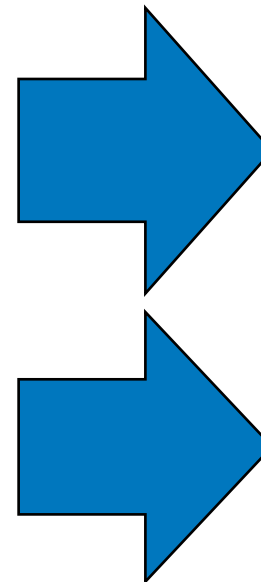
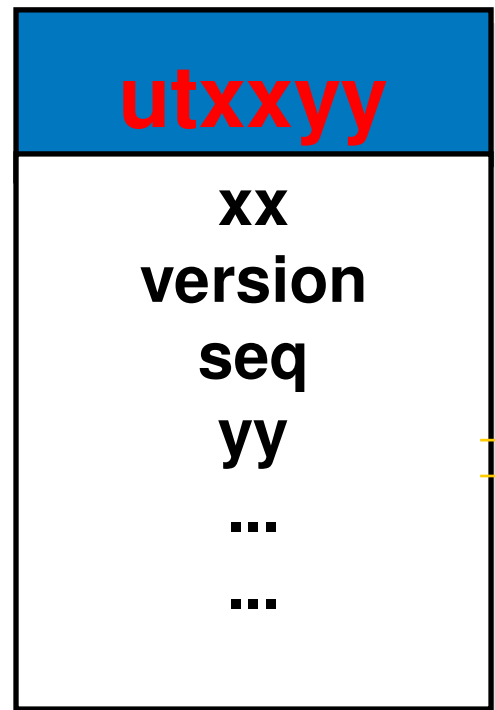
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## Used Object (Configuration)



primary key

all std. attributes

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sc

pg

pgnode

pa

panode

...

lc

ss

active

allow\_modify

ar1

...

ar16

Operational object

primary key

all std. attributes

## Node numbering

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### Nodes on all levels

- pgnode, panode, menode, icnode, iinode, rdnode

### Each node only relates to one level

- pgnode: sc - pg relation

### Nodes add up downward

- sc - pg - pa: pgnode AND panode

### Node numbering allows

- insert before
- insert between
- append

## Node Numbering(2)

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Example

**070117-001**

**Node**

Chemical

1000000

pH

1000000

Moisture

2000000

M1

1000000

M2

2000000

Microbiological

2000000



# Attribute tables

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utxxau

xx  
version\*  
au  
auseq  
value

Au configuration tables

- Utau
- Utauhs
- Value lists
  - Utaulist
  - utausql

\* Not in operational tables

## Group key tables

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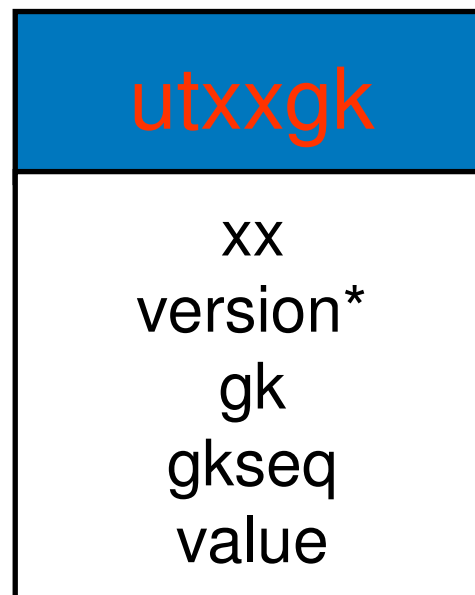
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Table structure identical to attributes



- Not all objects have group keys
  - Only st, sc, rt, rq and me

\* Not in operational tables

## Group key tables - Group key definition

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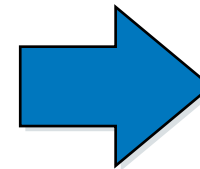
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utgkxx

- Example: utgst, utgsc



all gk properties

- One table per object type
- utgkxxlist, utgkxxsql

## Group key tables (2)

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### Special tables per group key

- E.g. group key 'supplier' on st
  - Special table utstgksupplier
  - Columns: st, supplier

### Use

- Safety: dynamic tables
- Recreation of structures
- In GUI: overview of all group keys

# Group key mechanism

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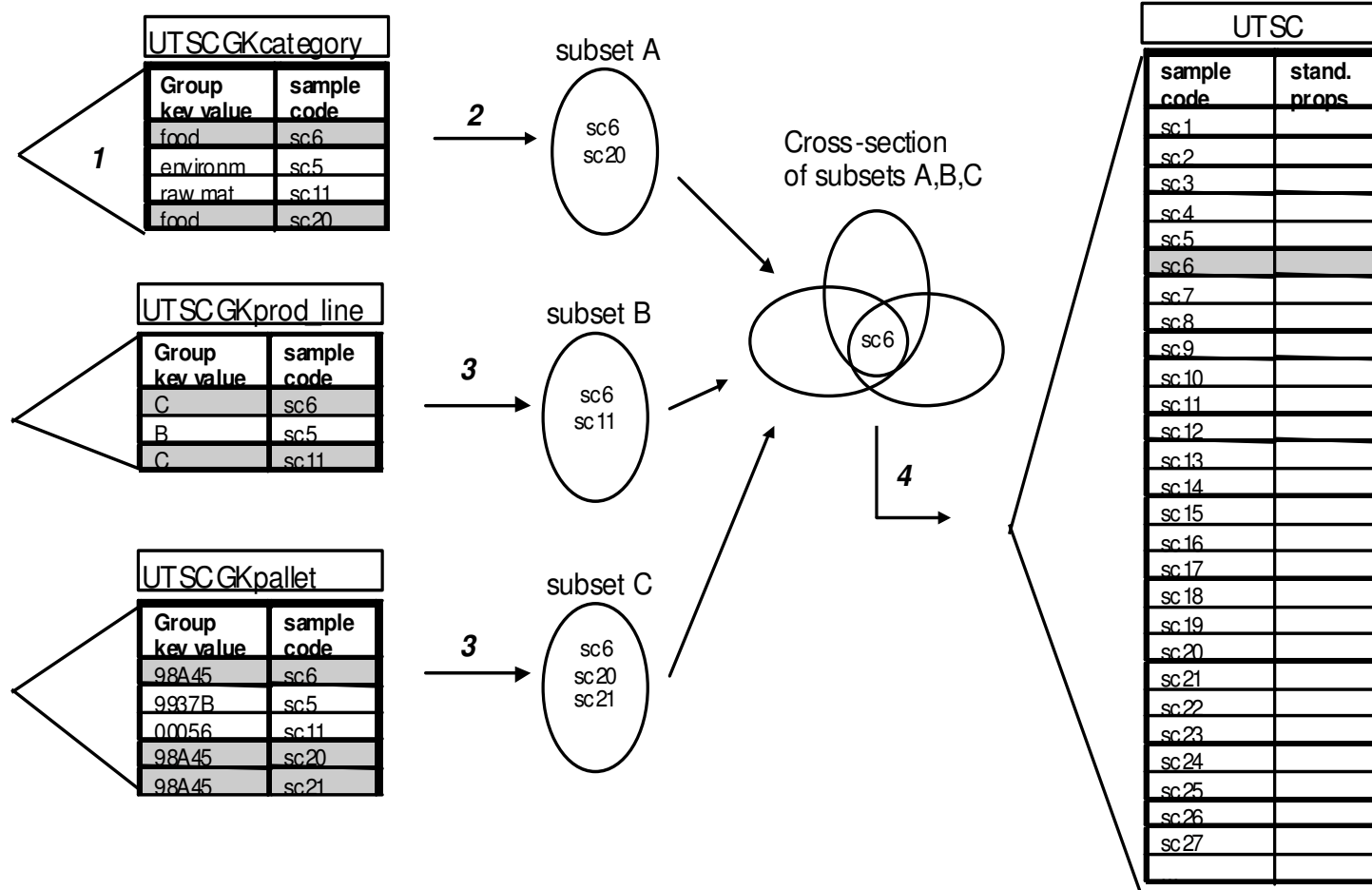
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## Group key tables - Overview

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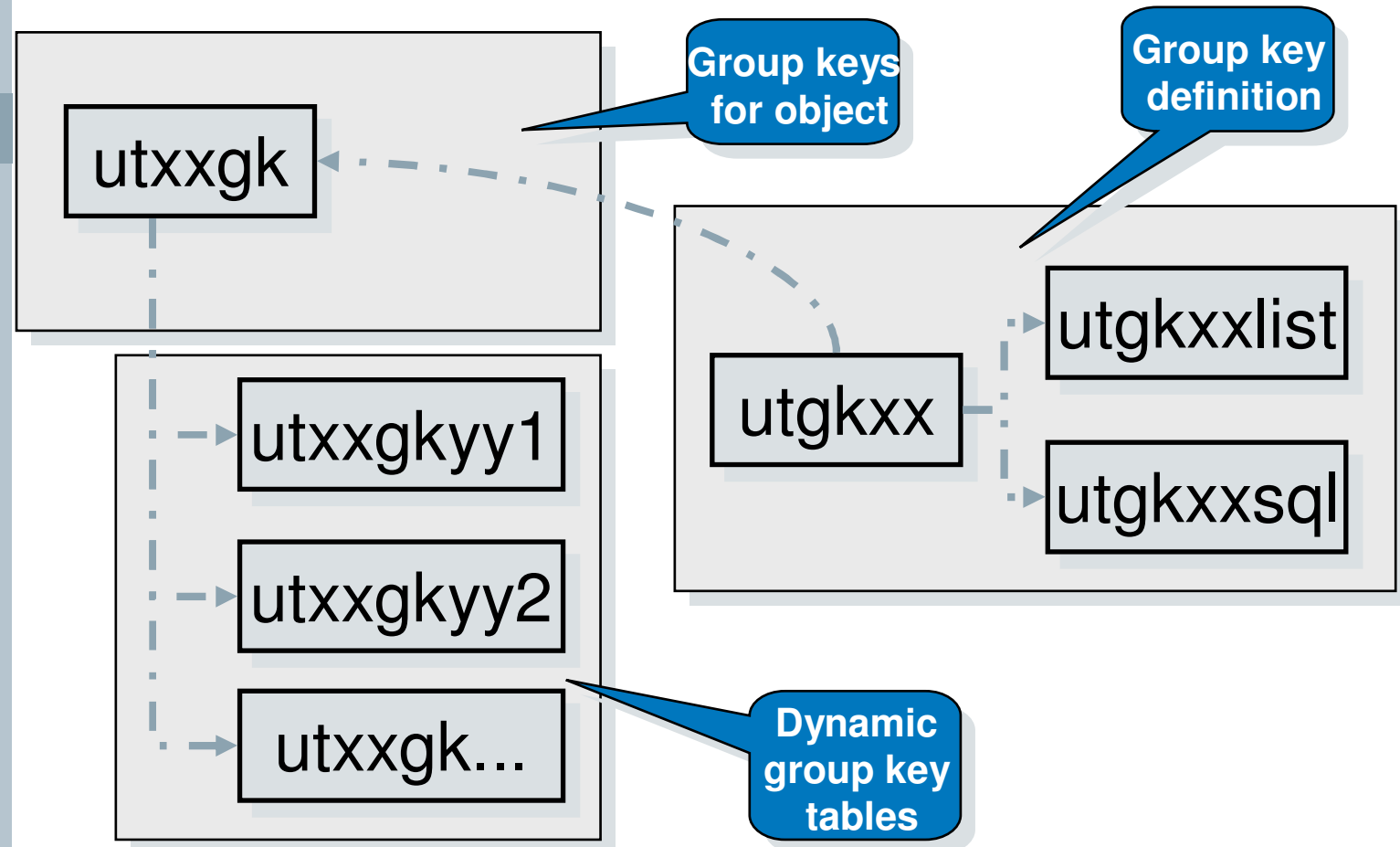
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# Group key tables - Example

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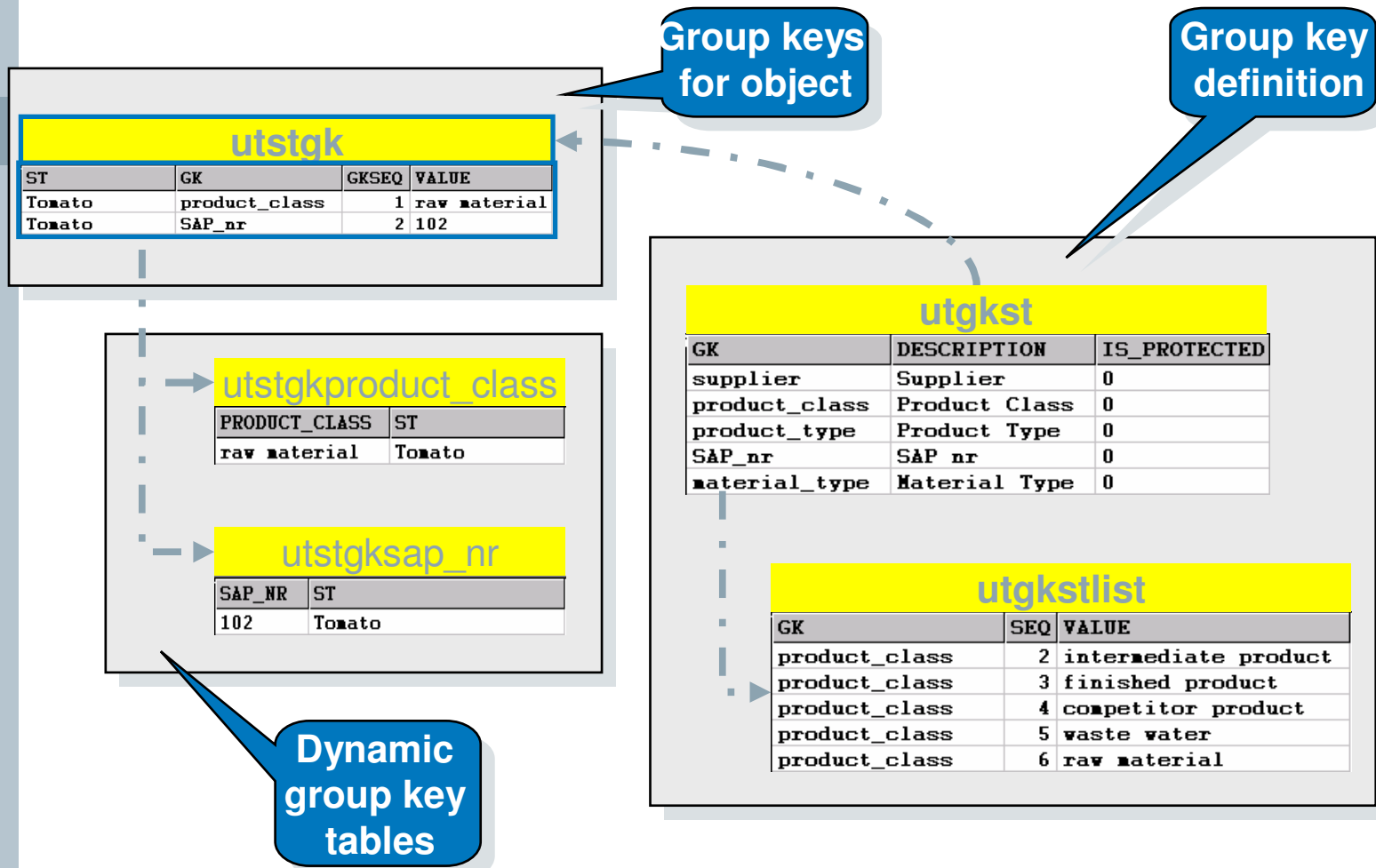
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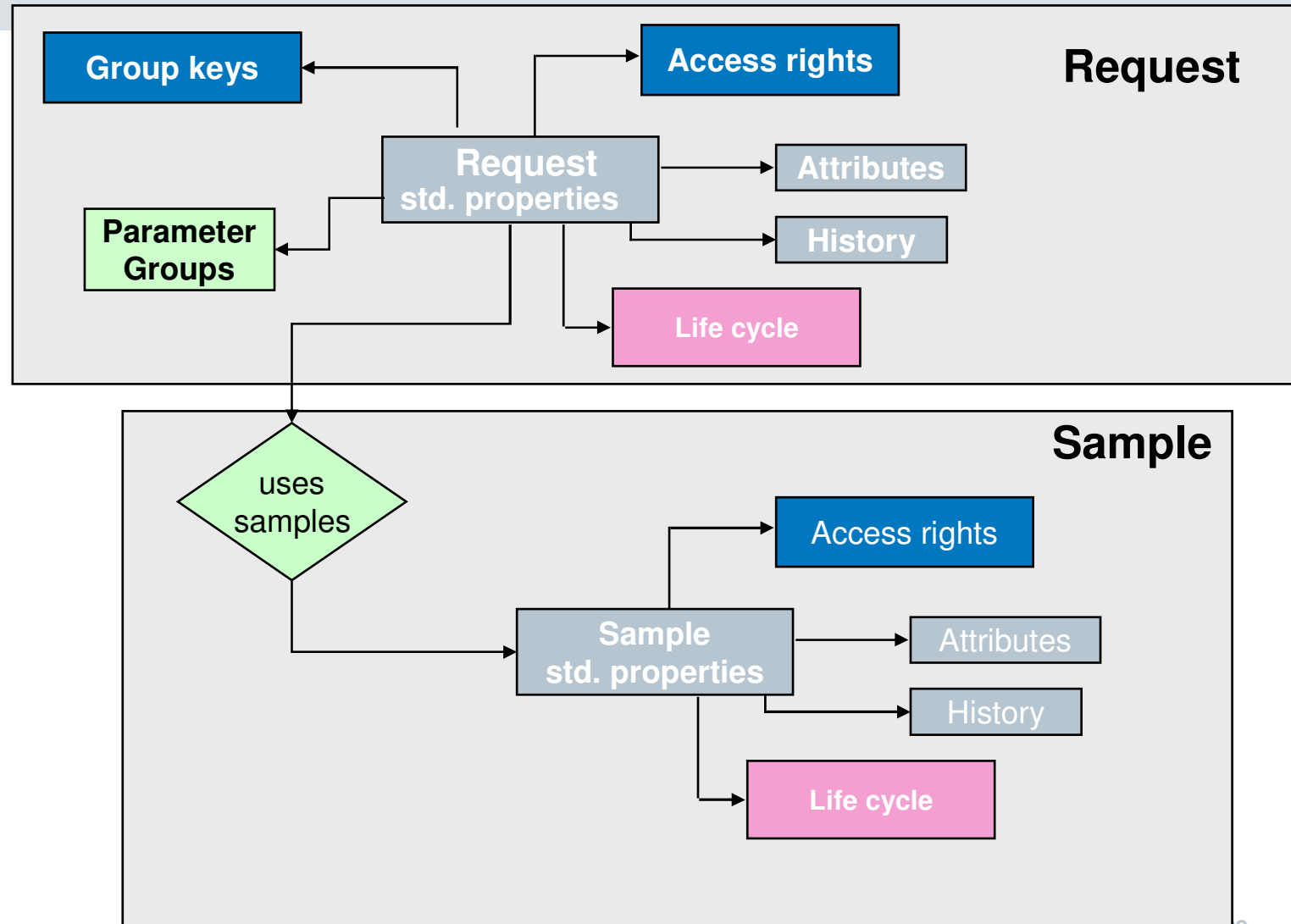
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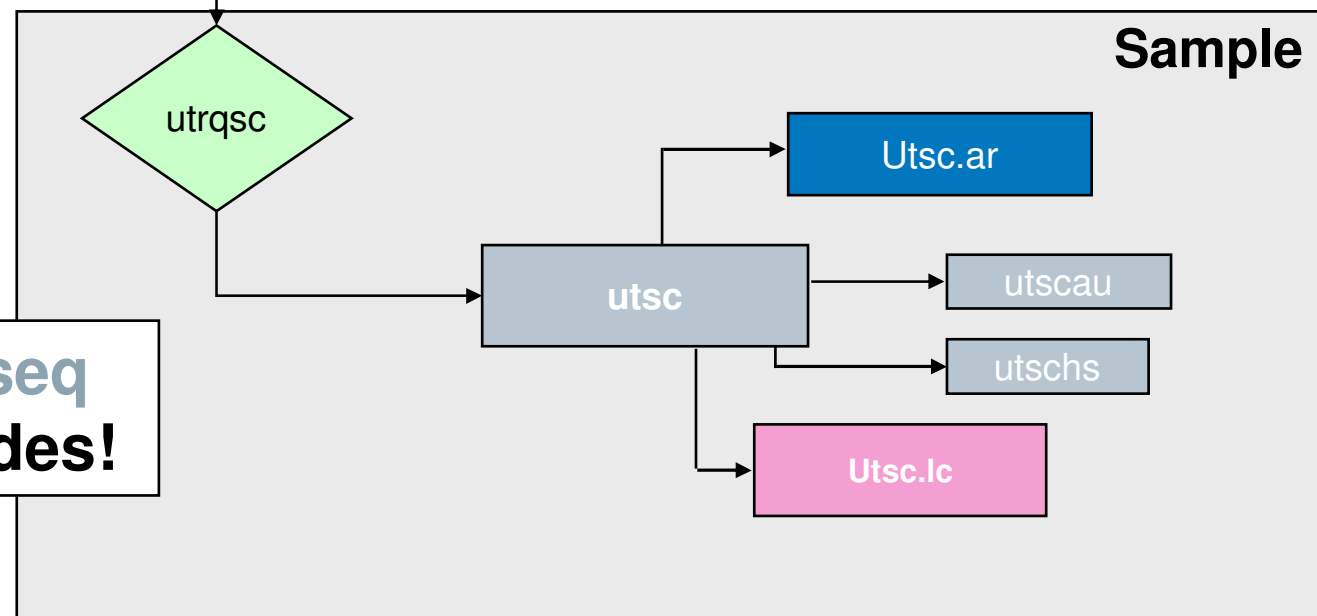
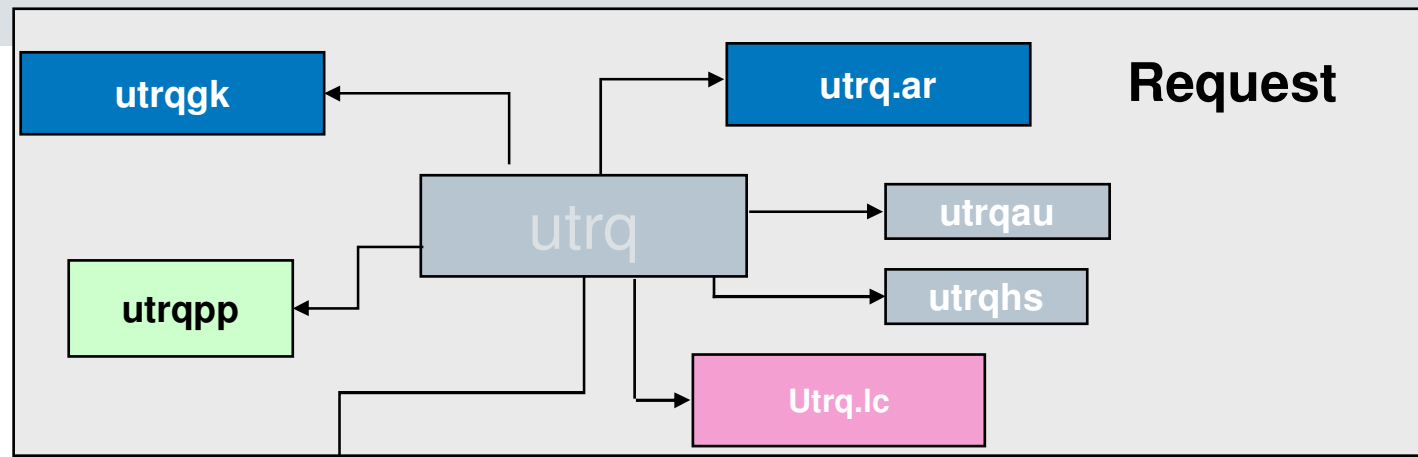
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**Utrqpp uses seq  
instead of nodes!**



## Request Types

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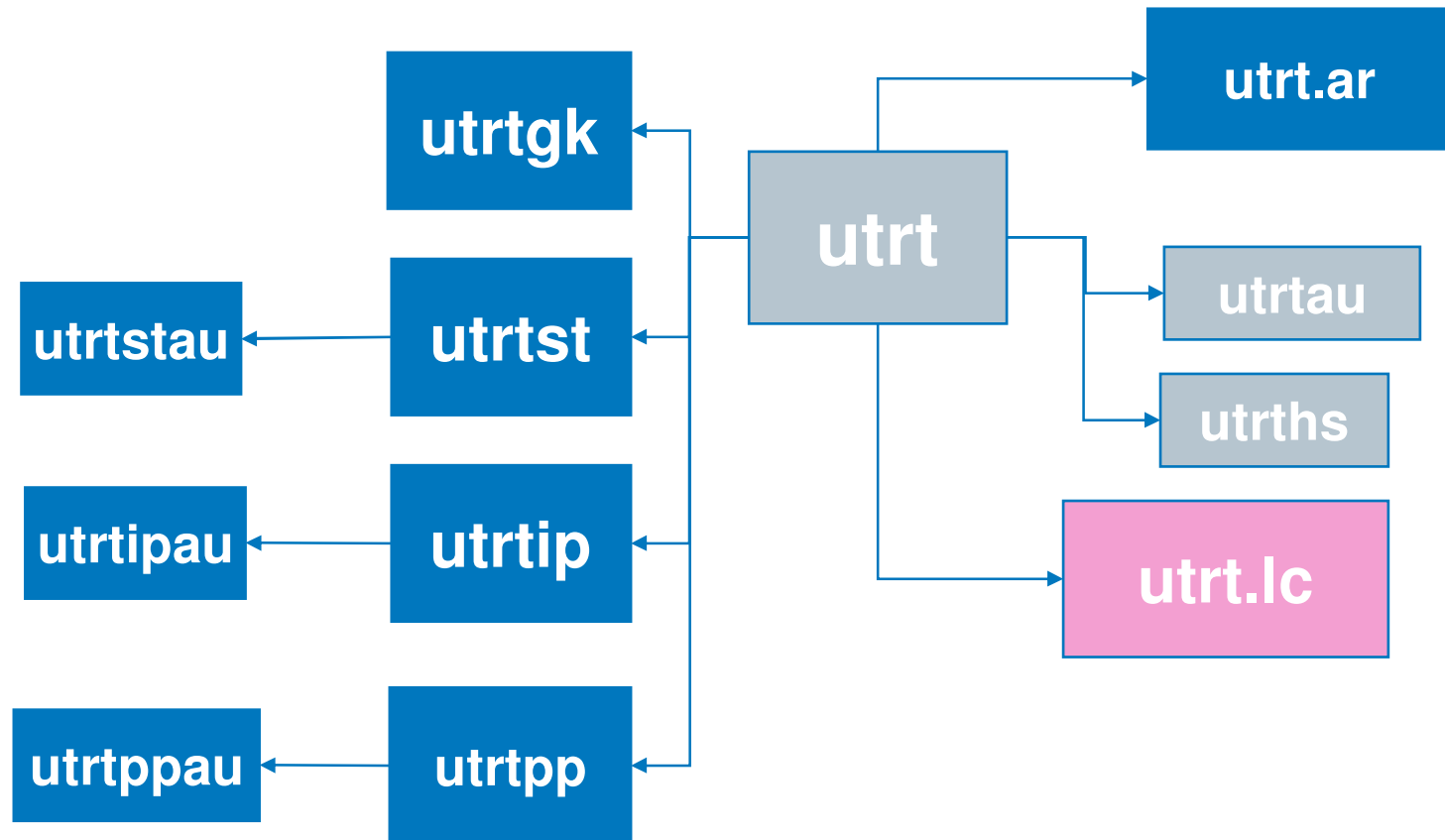
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## DB Model Worksheets

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Physical DB model of “worksheet”

**utwsgkOpenSheets****utwsgk**

utws

**utwsau****utwshs**

utwssc

utwsii

utwsme

Physical DB model of “worksheet type”

utwt

**utwttau****utwths**

utwtrows  
row  
st  
sc  
create [Y|N]

# Equipment

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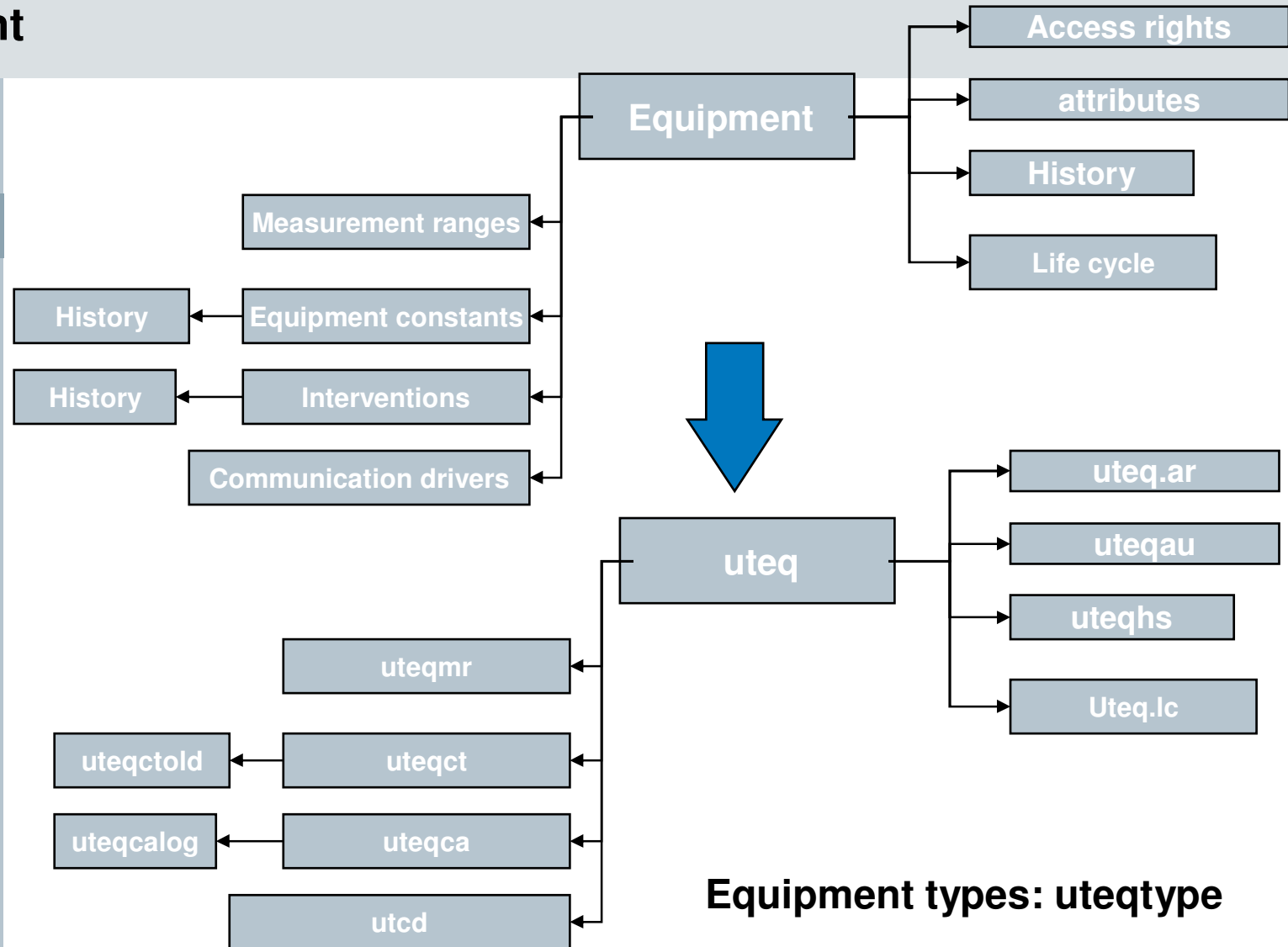
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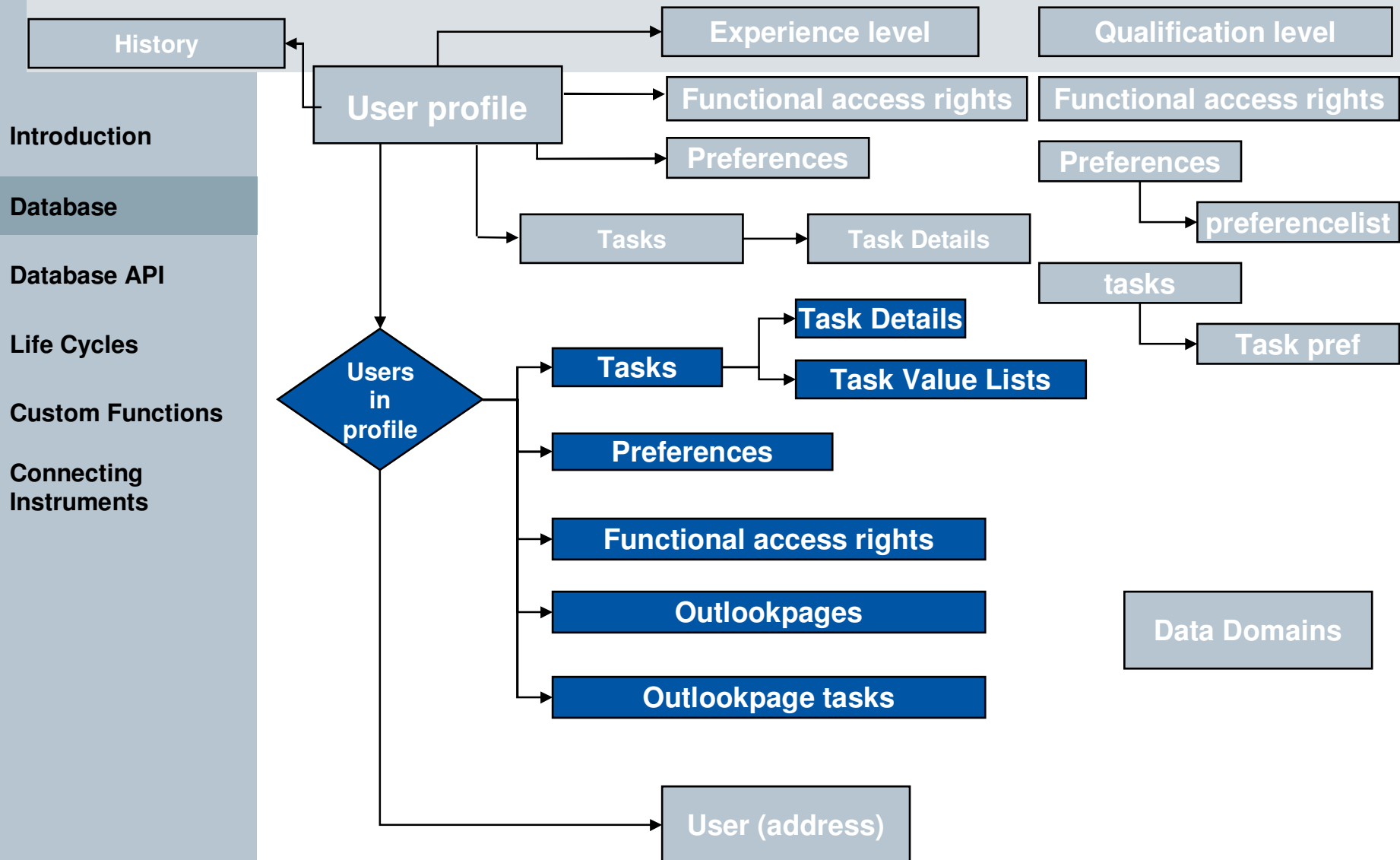
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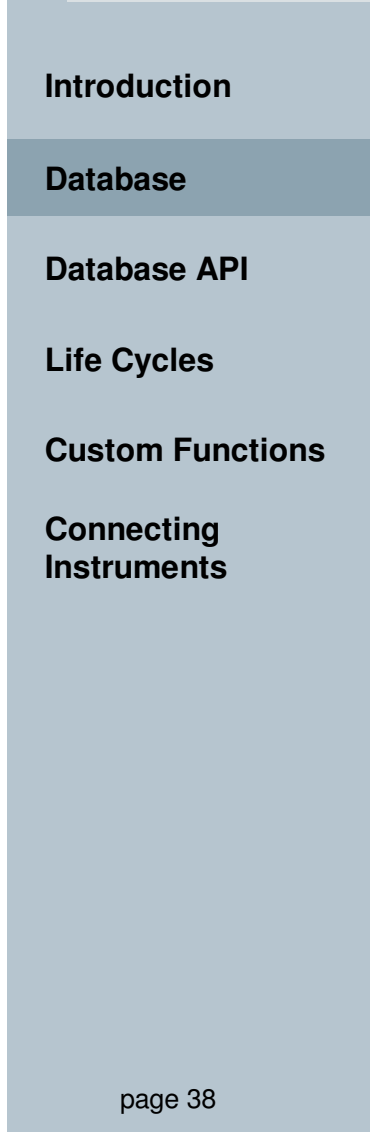


**Equipment types: uteqtype**

## User profiles / users - Model



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## Life cycles - States

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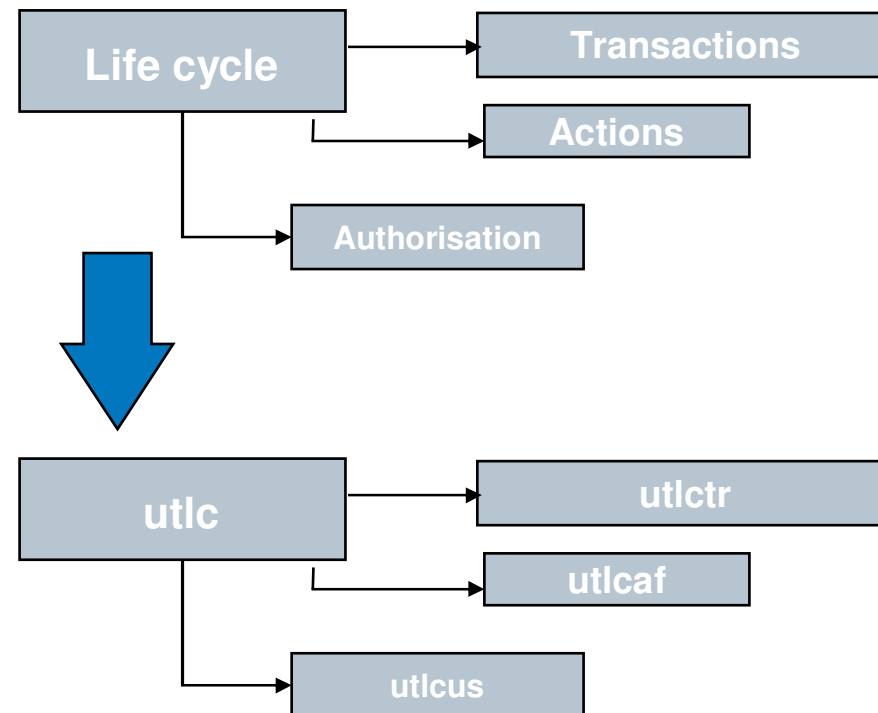
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### Life cycles



### States

- utss
- utsswl: worklist assignment rules

## Tables for Charts (configuration)

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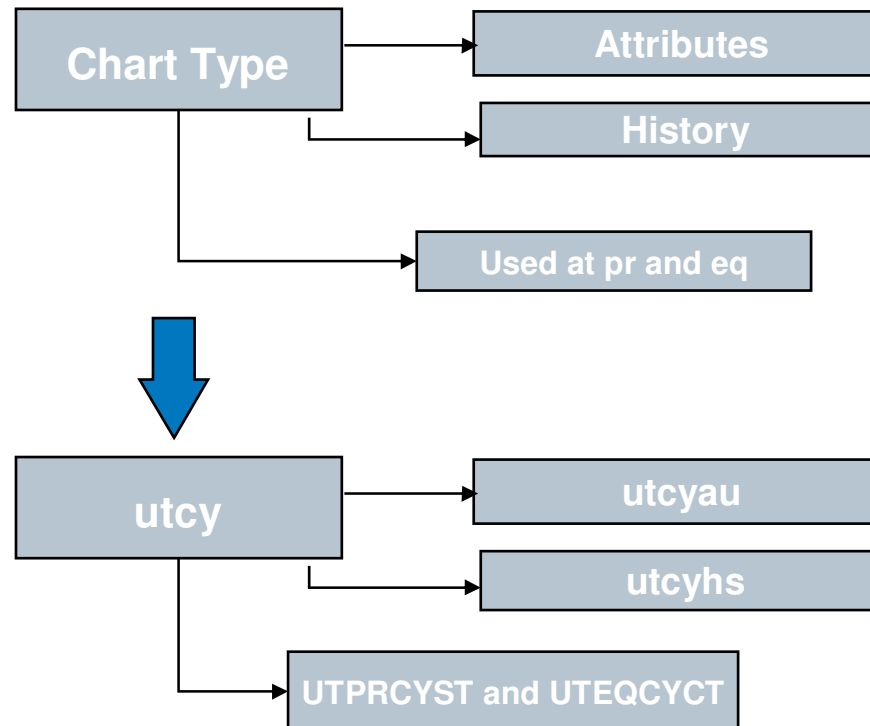
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## Tables for Charts (operational)

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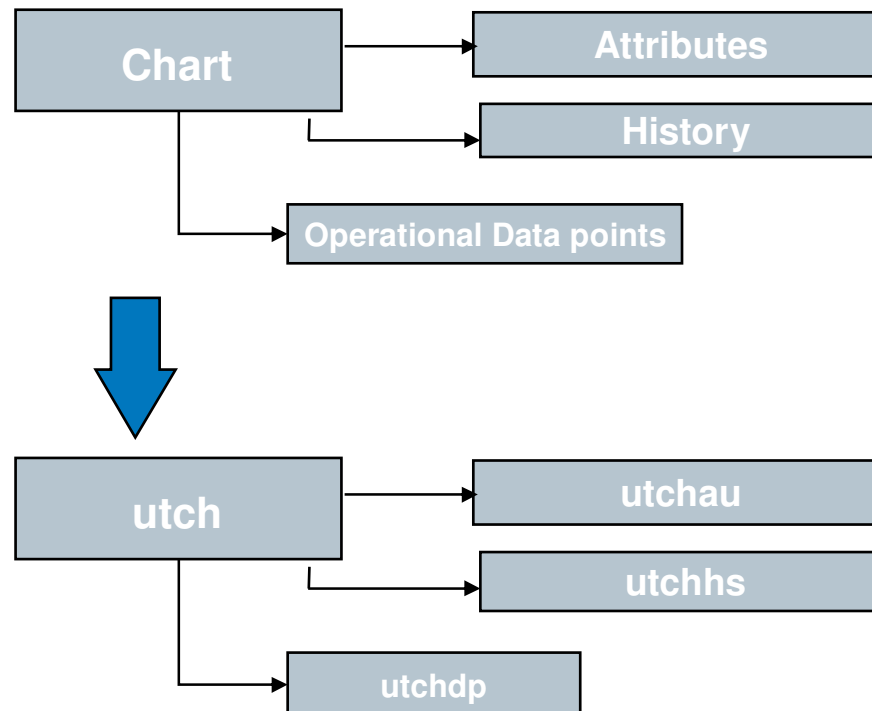
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### Charts



- Alarm exceptions
  - utresultexception

## Special Tables (1)

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### Specs

- utppspa, utppspb, utppspc
- utscpaspa, utscpaspb, utscpaspc

### Reanalysis tables

- utrscxx (e.g. utrscpa)
- utrscpaspa: specs valid for reanalyses
- utrscrd: raw data for reanalyses

### Unilink

- utul...

### Layouts

- utly, utuicomponent

### Unique code masks / Counters

- utuc,.../ utcounter

## Special Tables (2)

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## Special Tables (3)

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### General tables

- utsystem: system setting
- utobjects: general object properties
- utapplic: Application names
- utotdetails: Object type details
- utdba: for restricted use by DBA (DBA settings in DB)

### Error logging

- uterror
- Logging of errors on DB side
- Only general failures are logged

## Column Data Types

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### CHAR

- Only CHAR(1) or CHAR(2)
  - Boolean flags:
    - '0' = FALSE / '1' = TRUE
  - Access rights
    - 'N' = No Access / 'R' = Read Only / 'W' = Write

### VARCHAR2

- All strings
- Length conventions:
  - Object IDs 20
  - Descriptions, titles 40
  - Values (ii, me, pa,...) 40
  - lc, ss 2
  - Comments (why in hs) 255

## Column Data Types (2)

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TIMESTAMP (with local time zone, with time zone)

- All relevant dates (e.g. sample dates)
  - creation date / sampling date / exec\_start\_date / date1...date5

RAW

- Color coding / Shortcut keys

NUMBER

- Sequencing (3)
- Numeric values (3 or 4)
  - E.g. priority, delay, freq\_val
- Nodes (9)

FLOAT

- Numeric result values
  - value\_f
- Specs

## Physical Structure

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### Used table spaces

- uni\_datac : configuration data
- uni\_datao : operational data
- uni\_indexc : configuration indexes
- uni\_indexo: operational indexes
- uni\_lob: large objects
- uni\_temp: temporary table space
- uni\_undo: undo table space

All tables, indexes, constraints have storage clauses

## DB Installation Issues

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### Installation sizes

- 3 pre-configured DB sizes:
  - Small (5000 samples)
  - Medium (15000 samples)
  - Large (50000 samples)

### Notice that:

- Full audit trail
- Copying attributes and group keys from configuration are 'space-sensitive' issues.



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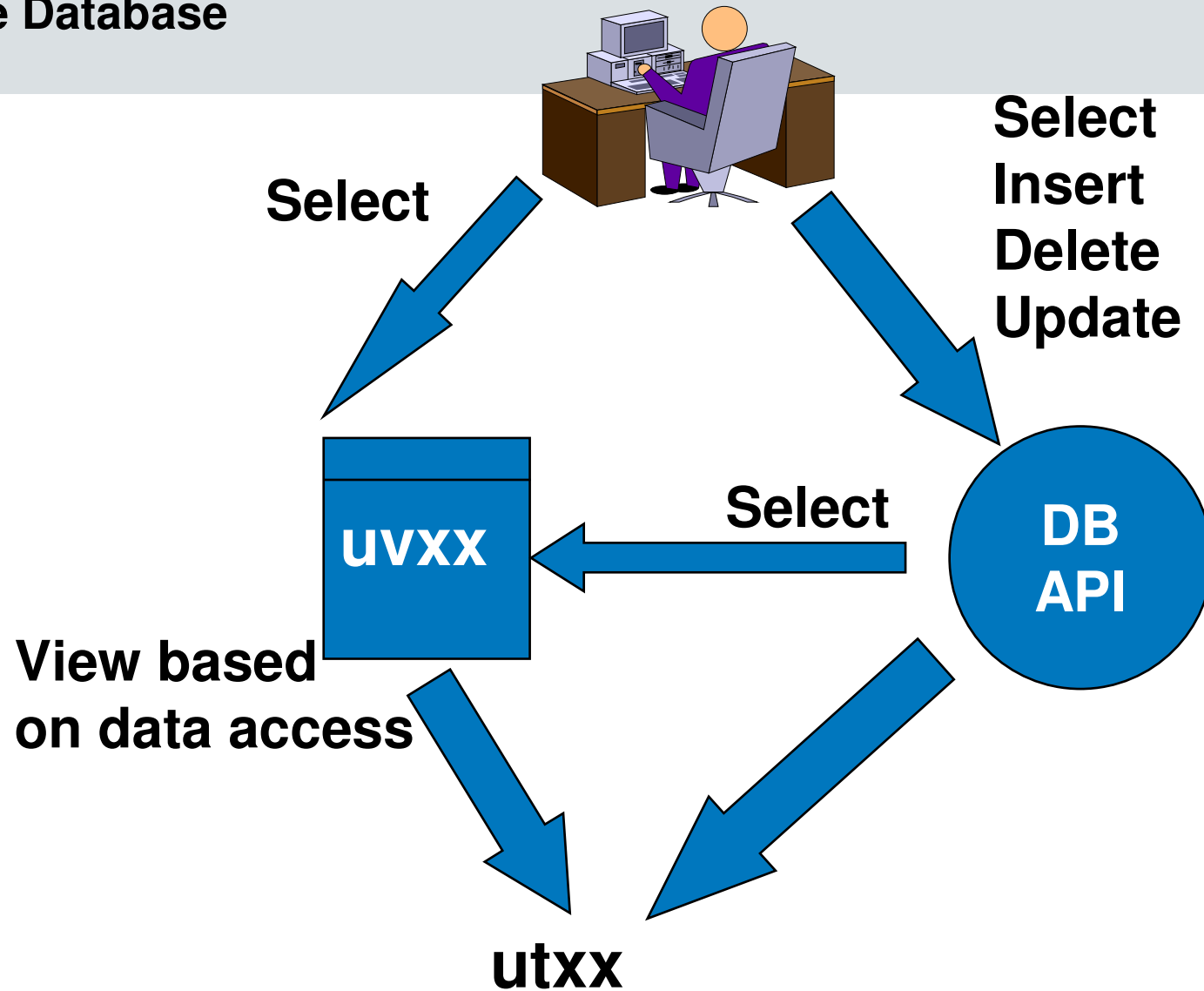
### Views vs Tables

- Always use the views to query ALL tables
- On user creation, correct synonyms are created
- Name of view = name of table (except 2nd char)

Examples:

- **uvst** instead of **utst**
- **uvuppref** instead of **utuppref**
- **Use DB-API in applications**
  - Ensures Authorisations
  - Performs required joins

## Querying the Database



## Data Access for User Profiles

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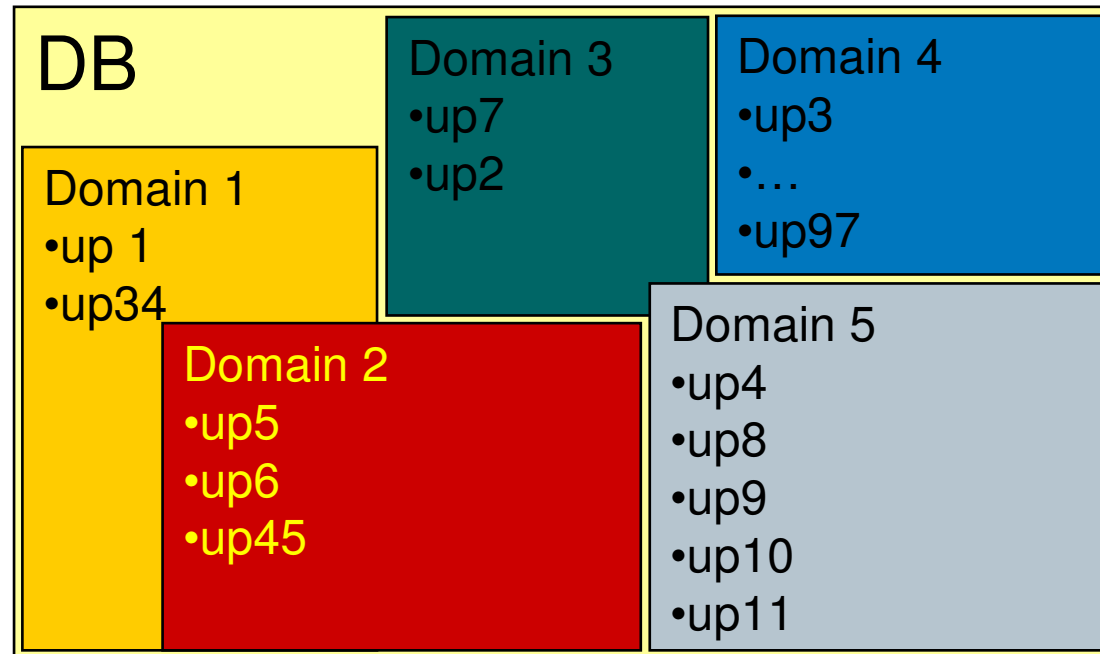
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**Each User Profile (up) belongs to one specific data domain**

## View uvxx for dd2

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Col1	Col2	.....	Coln
aaaaaa	bbbbbb	.....	ccccccccc

WHERE ar2 <> 'N'

Col1	Col2	.....	Coln	1	2	.....	15	16
aaaaaa	bbbbbb	.....	ccccccccc	R	W	.....	R	W

Table utxx

Access rights  
on main object

## View uvxyyy for dd2

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**Access rights  
on details of object**

Col1	Col2	.....	Coln
aaaa	bbbbbb	.....	cccccccc

WHERE ar2 <> 'N'

Col1	Col2	.....	Coln	1	2	.....	15	16
aaaa	bbbbbb	.....	cccccccc	R	W	....	R	W

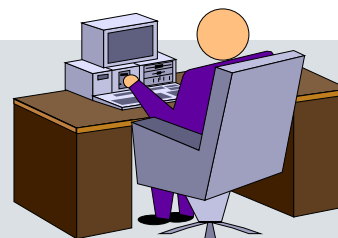
**Table utxx**

Col1	Col2	.....	Coln
aaaaaa	bbbbbb	.....	cccccccc

**Table utxyyy**

Select up

NO up selection



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Current up:  
ddx

Default up:  
ddx

Schema ddx

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## Architecture



## 2 Tier vs. 3 Tier Architecture

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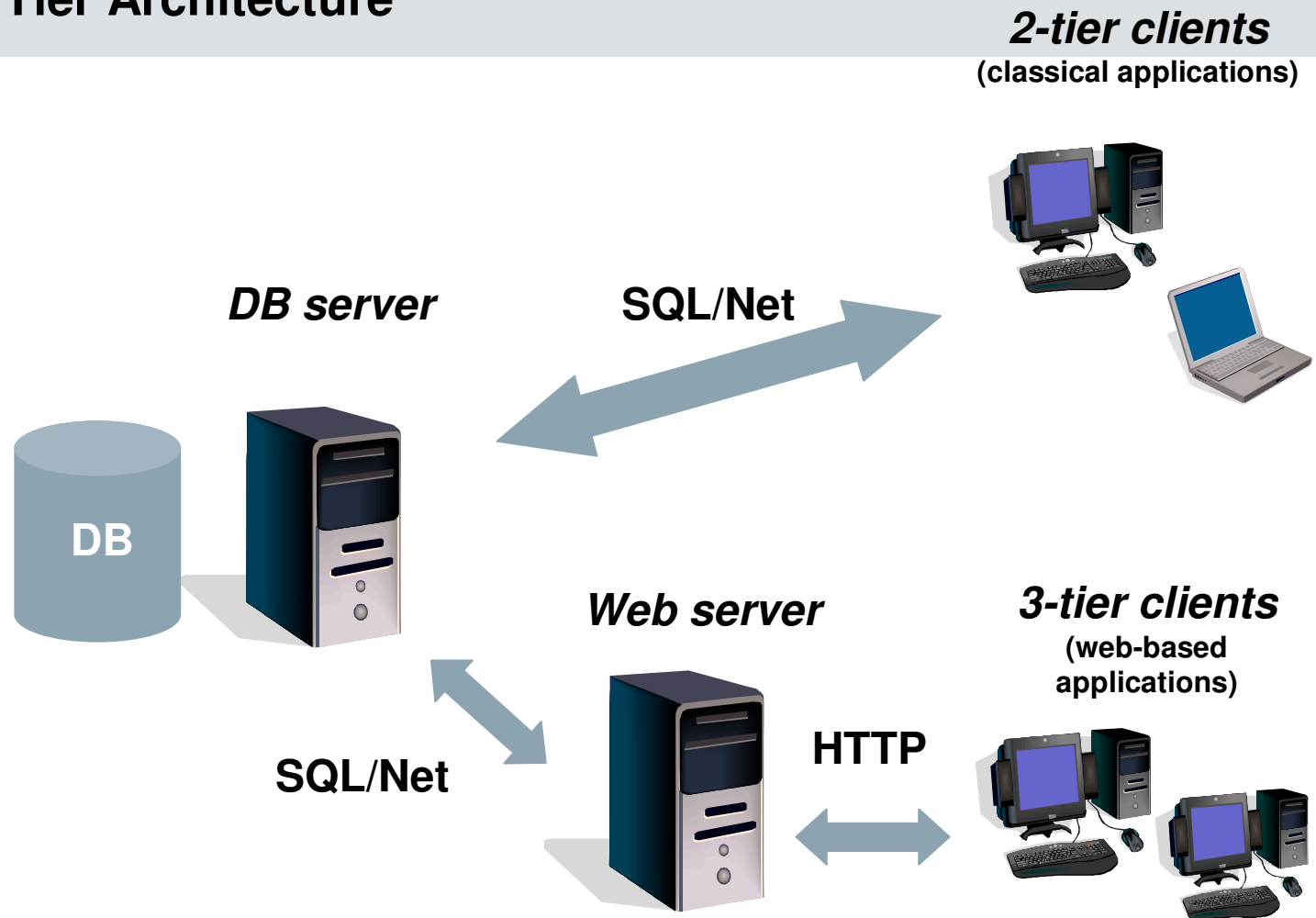
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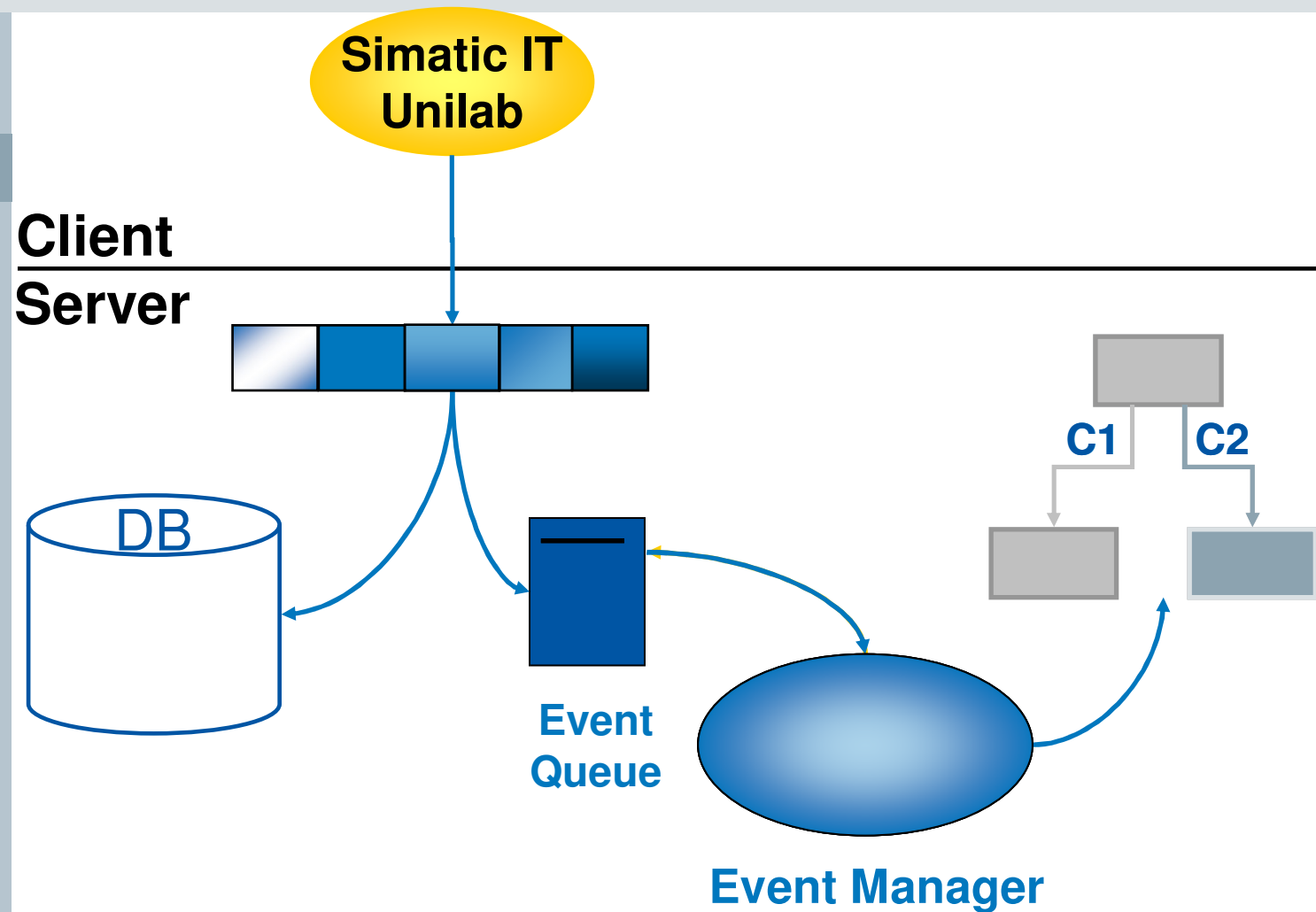
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## Event Manager Tables

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### Events:

- utev
- utevtimed: timed events
- utevlog: logging in case of error

### Client Event Manager

- utclient
- utclientalert

# Asynchronous Event Manager

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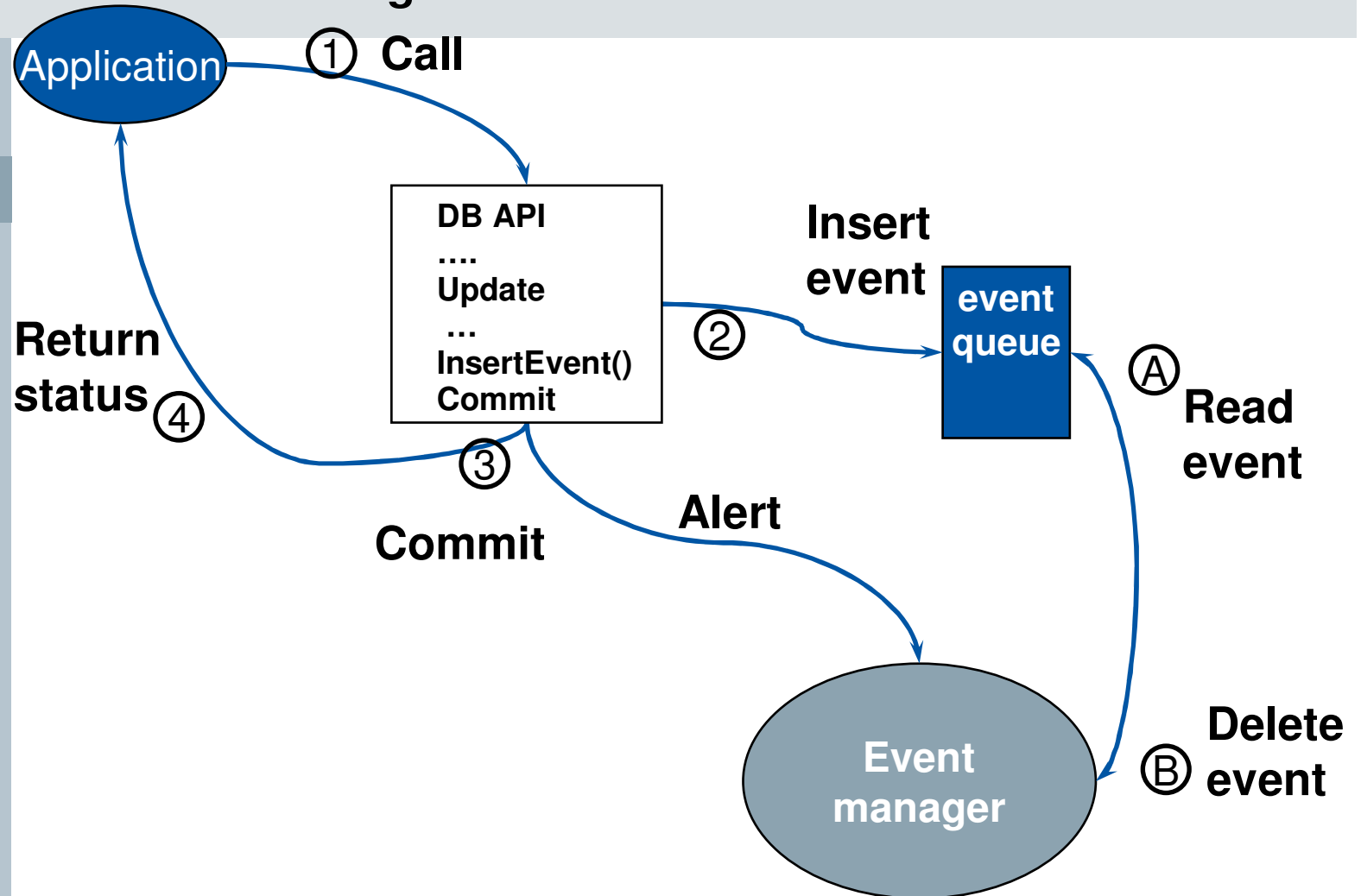
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## Approach to Process Event

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- Step 1: [Life cycle evaluation](#)
- Step 2 : [Change of status](#)
  - First condition met
  - New status
  - New value for allow\_modify and active flag
- Step 3: [Evaluation of Worklist Assignment Rules](#)
- Step 4: [Execution of Actions](#)

## Multiple Event Managers

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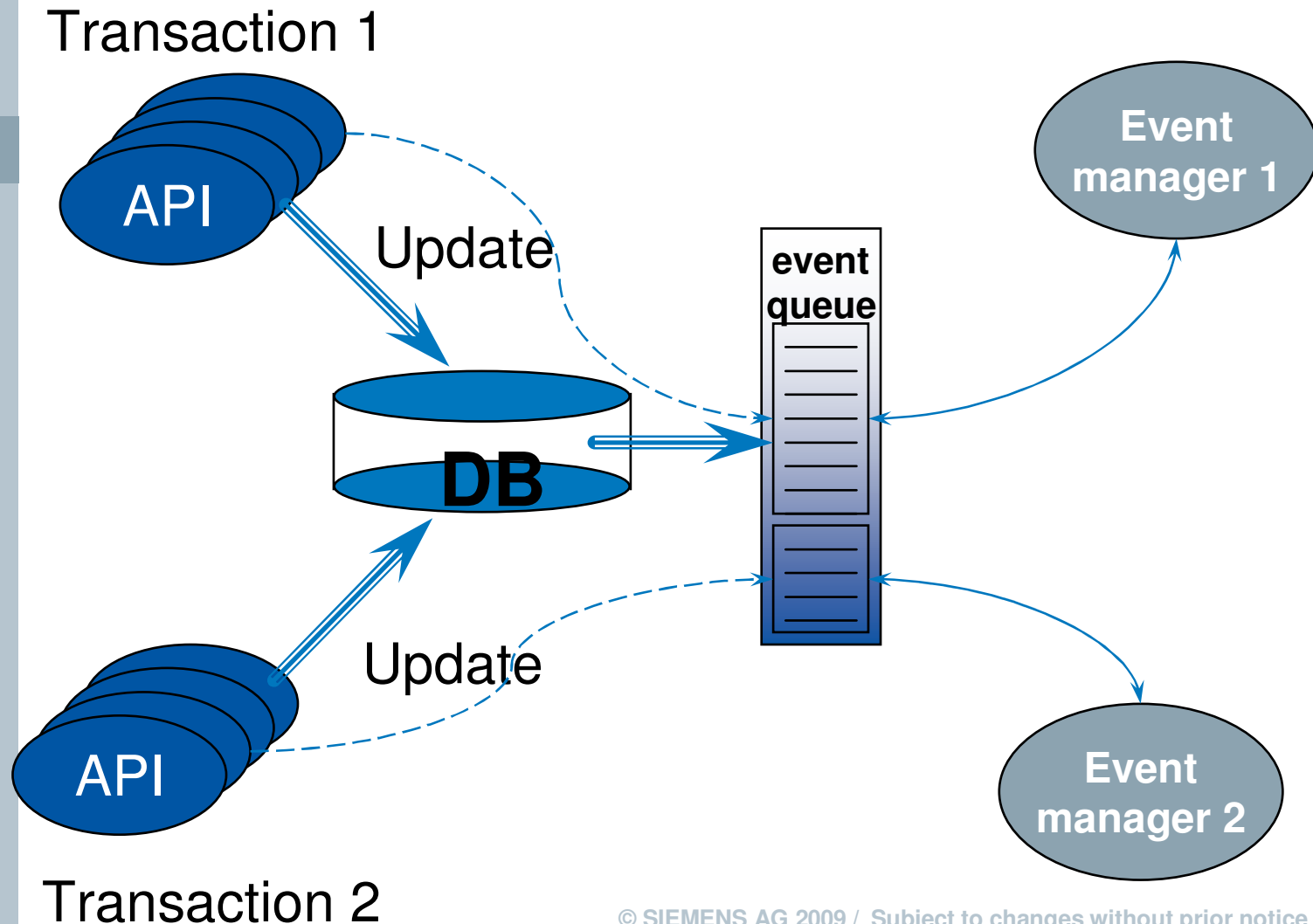
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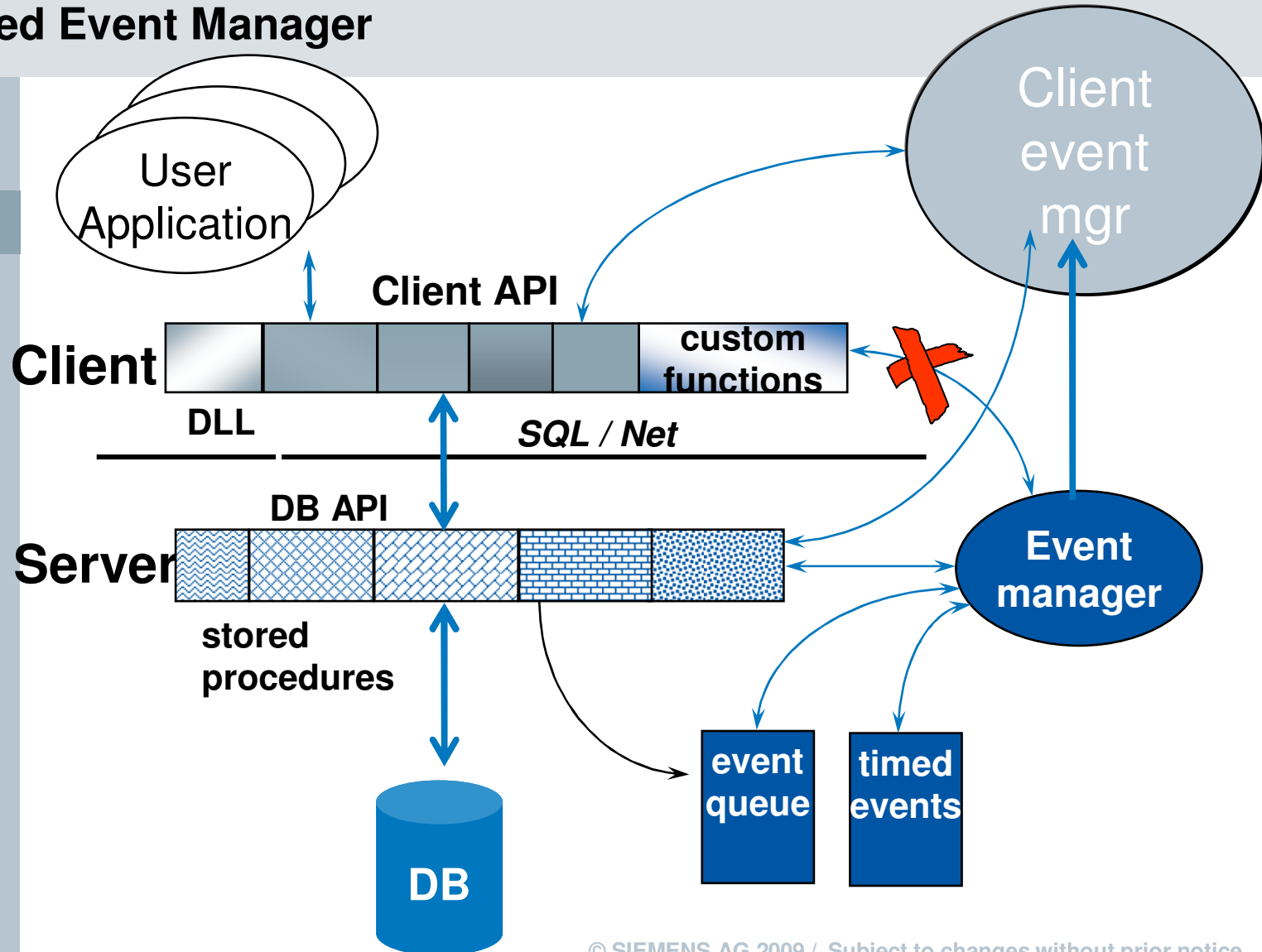
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## Example

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Event queue

ScPaResultUpdated

DB  
Event  
manager

### Sample Life cycle evaluation

A: PrintScLabel()

Created

Executed

C: result(s) is(are) out of spec

A: AlertSend ('ExecuteCmdOnClient', '<any cmd>')

Out of spec

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Method sheet x

Open  
Calculate  
Save

Client  
Event  
manager

Execute

Unicf.DLL

```
CF_PrintScLabel(...)  
{  
    ...  
}
```

Execute

<any cmd>

DB

Client



## Starting / Stopping Evmr

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### Sys.DBA\_Scheduler\_Jobs

- All running event managers
  - Multiple event managers (multiple instances)
  - TimedEvent manager
  - Equipment manager job

### Scripts

- Strtevmr.sql
  - Starts all event managers
- Stopevmr.sql
  - Stops all event managers

### CXAPP

- Standard package to be used for start and stop jobs.
- ALWAYS USE THIS IN PROJECTS, also for project JOBS !!!

# Database APIs

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### DB Application Programming Interface

#### Set of Stored Procedures

- Implements main LIMS functionality
- Provides access to ALL Unilab data

#### Functions

- Encapsulate data access rights
- Encapsulate implicit joins,...
- Generation events
- Keeps track of full audit trail
- Restrictions on the number of rows returned

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### APIs = set of Functions

- Return codes
- IN, OUT and IN OUT arguments
- Each function can be called independently

### Documentation

- On-line help
- DBAPI.hlp, DBAPIOP.hlp and DBAPICON.hlp

### Stored procedures grouped in logical packages

- Grouping of logical functions
- Optimisation of the implementation
- Information hiding
- Package = header + body
  - Header: available in \*.h file or DB
  - Body: wrapped

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## Package naming conventions

- Configuration objects:
  - unapi<xx> where <xx> = object type
  - **unapirp**: generic functions
- Operational objects:
  - unapi<xx> and unapi<xx>p where <xx> = object type
  - **unapiaut**: generic functions
- Generic functions & declarations:
  - **unapigen**
- Custom packages:
  - un<xxxxxx> where <xxxxxx> = function type

## Template API Function

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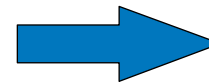
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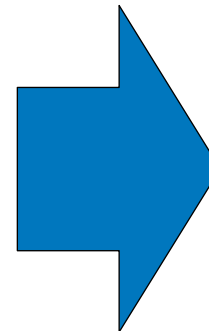
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Generic function definition

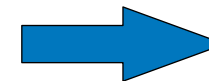
```
FUNCTION <MyFunc>  
(arg1 IN      VARCHAR2,  
 arg2 IN      NUMBER,  
 ...  
 argn OUT     VARCHAR2)  
RETURN NUMBER
```



Naming convention



IN, OUT or  
IN OUT arguments  
(unbound data types)



Return code

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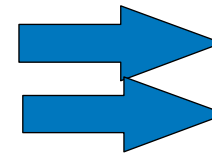
```
DECLARE
```

```
ret_code
```

```
argn
```

```
INTEGER;
```

```
VARCHAR2(20);
```

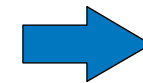


Return code

Arguments  
(bound data types)

```
BEGIN
```

```
l_ret_code := MyPack.MyFunc('first arg',  
                             10,...  
                             argn);
```



Function call

```
END;
```



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Always NUMERIC value (l\_ret\_code)

Declared as constants in UNAPIGEN

**ALWAYS USE THE CONSTANT DEFINITIONS**

Error code classes:

- Generic
- Function specific
- Object specific

... Some common generic codes

- **DBERR\_SUCCESS (0)**
  - Everything OK
- **DBERR\_GENFAIL (1)**
  - Refer to uterror for error logging
- **DBERR\_NOOBJECT (2)**
  - The object does not exist
- **DBERR\_NOTMODIFIABLE (5)**
  - The object cannot be modified (allow\_modify = '0')

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Most other return codes have common structure:

- DBERR\_<Column name>
  - <Column name> stands for the column that has an incorrect value
  - E.g. DBERR\_TEMPLATE, DBERR\_PROTECTED, DBERR\_OBJID

### Return codes are NOT always Error codes

#### Using Return Codes

```

DECLARE
l_ret_code          NUMBER;
a_sc                VARCHAR2(20);
BEGIN
    l_ret_code := UNAPISC.CreateSample('Chicken', a_sc,
                                      SYSDATE, '', '',
                                      'Training example');

    IF l_ret_code <> UNAPIGEN.DBERR_SUCCESS THEN
        /* Handle the error */
    END IF;

END;
```

## General Failure

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Return codes often reflect logical or data error

- The calling application should provide corrective actions based upon the return code
- There is no specific error logging

### General Failure

- Fatal error occurred in the DB (e.g. missing table, incorrect statement, wrong user privileges)
- Return code = DBERR\_GENFAIL (1)
- It is usually followed by proper logging in **uterror**

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Entry in uterror:

(client id, application name, user id, logdate, api\_name, error message)

Example exception handler

```
EXCEPTION
  WHEN OTHERS THEN
    l_sqlerrm := SQLERRM;
    ROLLBACK;
    INSERT INTO uterror(client_id, applic, who, logdate, api_name, error_msg)
    VALUES(UNAPIGEN.P_CLIENT_ID, UNAPIGEN.P_APPLIC_NAME, USER, SYSDATE,
            'MyFunc', l_sqlerrm);
    COMMIT;
    RETURN(UNAPIGEN.DBERR_GENFAIL);
END MyFunc;
```

## General Failure (3)

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### Use of LogError()

```
PROCEDURE UNAPIGEN.LogError                                /* INTERNAL */
(a_api_name      IN      VARCHAR2,                        /* VC40_TYPE */
 a_error_msg     IN      VARCHAR2)                        /* VC255_TYPE */
```

### Example

```
EXCEPTION
  WHEN OTHERS THEN
    IF sqlcode <> 1 THEN
      UNAPIGEN.LogError('MyFunc', sqlerrm);
    END IF;
    RETURN(UNAPIGEN.DBERR_GENFAIL);
END MyFunc;
```

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### Simple arguments

- Always pass bound argument!

- Directly (IN)

```
ret_code := UNAPISC.CreateSample('Chicken meat', '9821_02',...);
```

- Using variable (IN, OUT and IN OUT)

```
a_st      VARCHAR2(20);
```

```
...
```

```
a_st := 'Chicken';
```

```
ret_code := UNAPISC.CreateSample(a_st, a_sc,...);
```



## Argument Data Types (3)

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### Array arguments

- Definitions in UNAPIGEN
  - Format of array definition:

```
TYPE <Tp><Sz>_TABLE_TYPE IS TABLE OF <Tp>(<Sz>)  
INDEX BY BINARY_INTEGER;
```

- <Tp> represents the single data type
  - All used single data types have an array equivalent
- <Sz> represents the data size
- Example

```
TYPE CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE IS TABLE OF CHAR(1) INDEX BY  
BINARY_INTEGER;
```

## Argument Data Types (4)

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Type	<Tp>	Values for <Sz>
CHAR	CHAR	1,2
VARCHAR2	VC	2,3,4,8,20,40,60,255,1000,2000
NUMBER	NUM	N/A
FLOAT	FLOAT	N/A
DATE	DATE(*)	N/A
RAW	RAW	8
LONG	LONG	N/A

(\*) DATE array is equivalent to VC30\_TABLE\_TYPE

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```

DECLARE
    l_ret_code                INTEGER;
    l_row                     INTEGER;
    l_nr_of_rows              NUMBER;
    l_where_clause            VARCHAR2(255);
    l_next_rows               NUMBER;
    l_mt_tab                  UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE;
    l_version_tab             UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE;
    l_version_is_current_tab  UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE;
    l_effective_from_tab      UNAPIGEN.DATE_TABLE_TYPE;
    l_effective_till_tab      UNAPIGEN.DATE_TABLE_TYPE;
    l_description_tab         UNAPIGEN.VC40_TABLE_TYPE;
    a_ss_tab                  UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE;

    l_nr_of_rows := NULL;
BEGIN
    l_ret_code := UNAPIMT.GetMethodList
        (l_mt_tab,
         l_version_tab, l_version_is_current_tab,
         l_effective_from_tab, a_effective_till_tab,
         l_description_tab, l_ss_tab,
         l_nr_of_rows, '', 0);
    FOR i IN 1..a_nr_of_rows LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(a_mt_tab(i));
    END LOOP;
END;
```

## Passing Arguments

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### Always pass ALL arguments

- For single arguments
  - use `NULL` or `' '`
- For array arguments
  - initialize with `' '`

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## Transaction control

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### Function types

- Get... functions
  - Read-only access to data
- Save, Create, Delete, etc. functions
  - Read-write access to data
  - Require transaction handling

Transaction control is provided by DB APIs

- APIs use Oracle COMMIT or ROLLBACK
- The user does not have to use COMMITs nor ROLLBACKs

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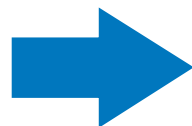
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### Logical transactions

- Each function = logical discrete transaction, except if it is part of a bigger transaction
  - Function does COMMIT or ROLLBACK at the end
- User defined transactions
  - BeginTransaction()
  - Several functions
  - EndTransaction()



**An API that is part of a multi-statement transaction does NOT perform COMMIT or ROLLBACK !**

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### BeginTransaction()

- Initialise transaction variables
- Returns error if previous transaction not ended

### EndTransaction()

- If error occurred: ROLLBACK, otherwise: COMMIT
- Resets transaction variables
- Returns (last) error code

### Example

```
...  
ret_code := UNAPIGEN.BeginTransaction();  
ret_code := UNAPIPA.SaveScParameter(...);  
ret_code := UNAPIPAP.SaveScPaAttributes(...);  
ret_code := UNAPIGEN.EndTransaction(...);
```

```
IF ret_code <> UNAPIGEN.DBERR_SUCCESS THEN  
    display appropriate error message  
END IF;
```



# Database APIs

## Generic APIs

# Connection Handling

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## Before using the API

- **Connect to Oracle**
  - Perform Oracle CONNECT
    - From client (e.g. call DBConnect())
    - On server (e.g. start SQL\*Plus)
  - Uses Oracle authorisation
- **Setup a connection to Unilab**
  - Call SetConnection()
    - Part of DB-API (UNAPIGEN)
  - Performs Unilab authorisation

## SetConnection()

- Initialises session variables
  - Date format
  - Internal settings (e.g. used for error logging)
- Checks user access rights
- Returns global user settings
  - Default user profile (+language)
  - Default task (if appropriate)

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### Exercise 1

- Set Connection as DBA
- Display the following OUT parameters
  - UP
  - UP\_DESCRIPTION

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# Object structure

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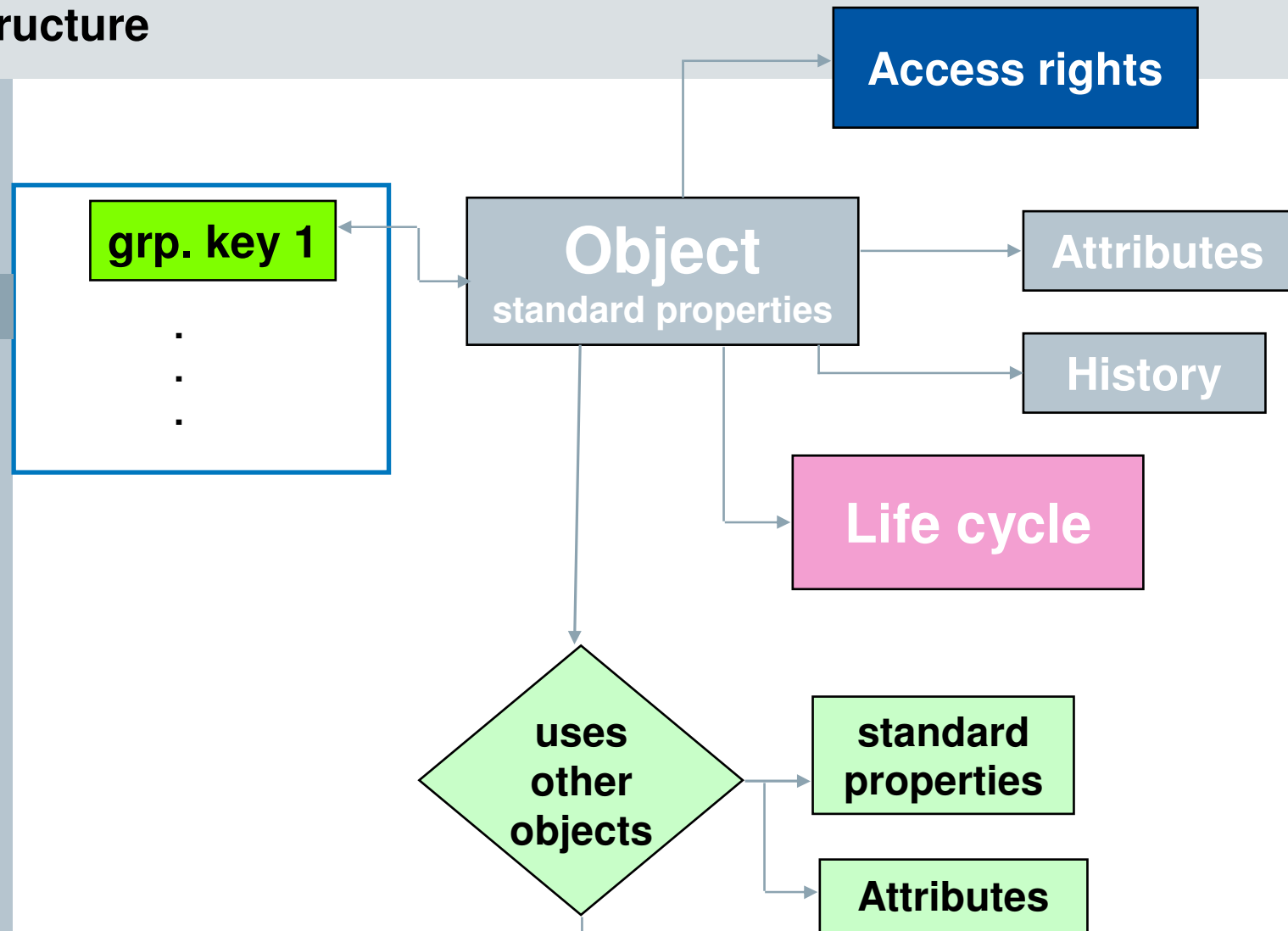
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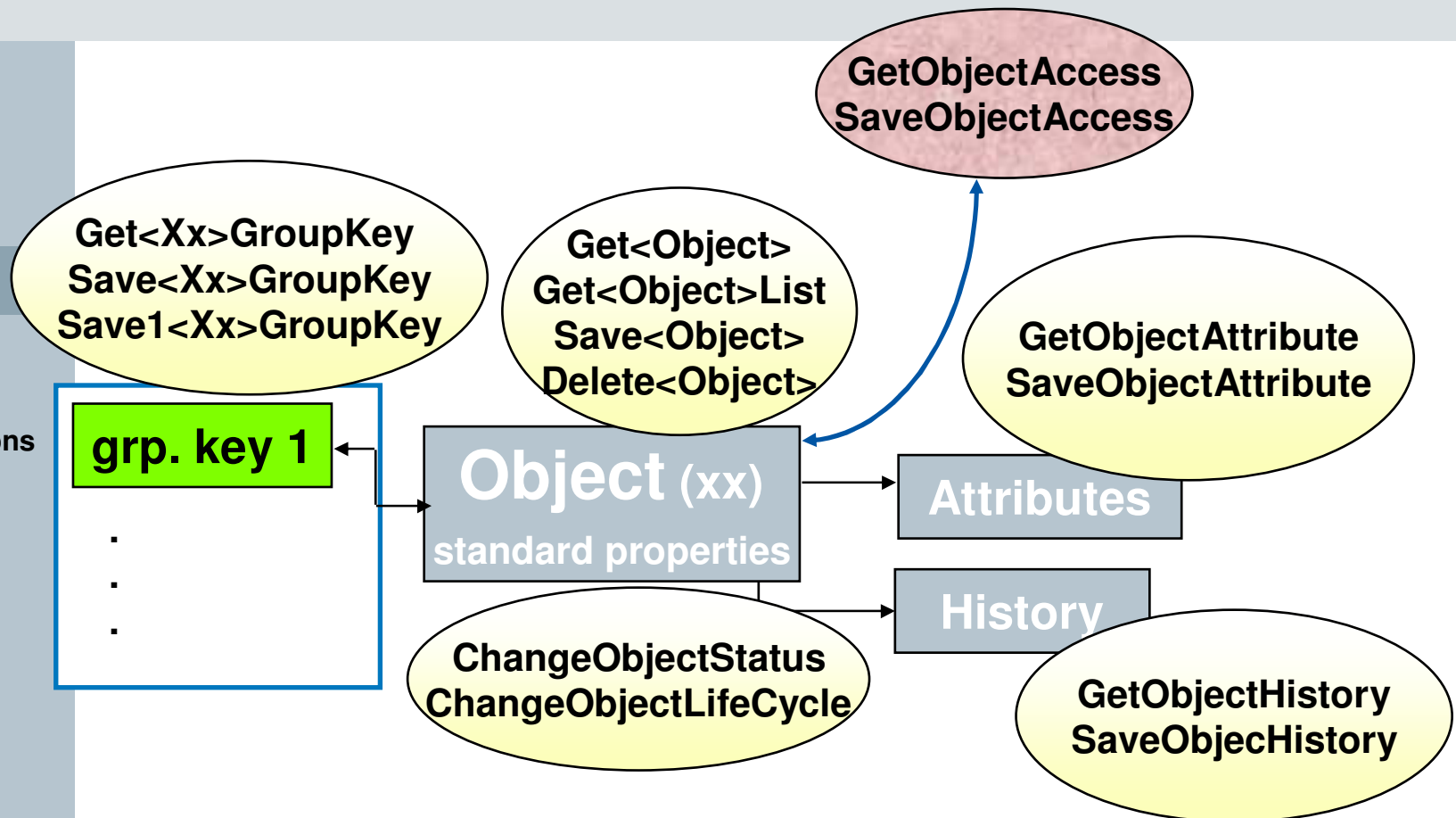
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Naming convention valid for

- Main configuration objects
  - st, pp, pr, mt, ip, ie
- Other objects
  - ad, au, lc, uc, up,...

Packages

- Object specific functions in UNAPI<Xx> package
- Generic functions in UNAPIGEN and UNAPIPRP

## Object specific API's

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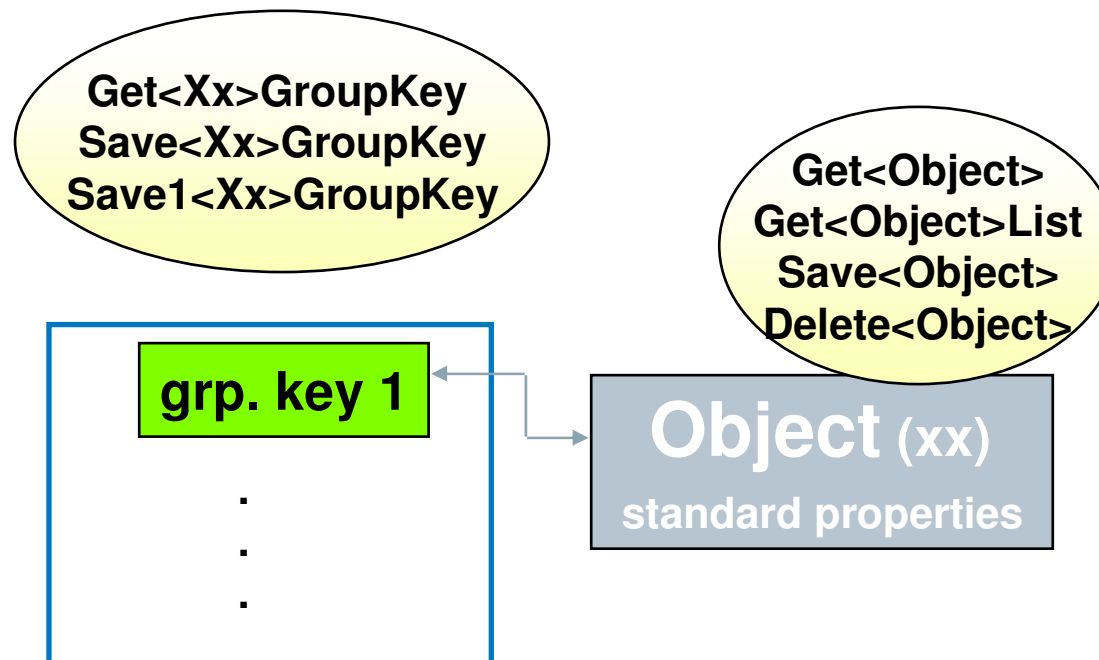
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Stored in UNAPI<XX>



## Get... vs Get...List

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### Get<Object>

- Gets all standard properties of object
- All objects as specified in a `_where_clause`

### Get<Object>List

- Only object id, description and status
- All objects as specified in a `_where_clause`
- Allows `get...next`

# Get<Object>

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### Generic function header

```

FUNCTION UNAPIST.GetSampleType
(a_st                OUT      UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
a_version            OUT      UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
a_version_is_current OUT      UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
a_description         OUT      UNAPIGEN.VC40_TABLE_TYPE,
a_description2        OUT      UNAPIGEN.VC40_TABLE_TYPE,
a_is_template         OUT      UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
...
a_allow_modify        OUT      UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
a_active              OUT      UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
a_lc                  OUT      UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
a_ss                  OUT      UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
a_nr_of_rows          IN OUT   NUMBER,
a_where_clause         IN      VARCHAR2)
RETURN NUMBER

```

## Get<Object> (2)

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### a\_where\_clause

- Object ID
  - E.g. 'pH', 'Moisture'
- Complete WHERE clause
  - E.g. 'WHERE is\_template = ''1'' ORDER BY mt'
  - Use all columns of the main object table
- NULL
  - Default set to return all 'active' objects, ordered alphabetically by object ID

### a\_nr\_of\_rows

- IN: Maximum expected number of rows
  - Limit on the rows returned
  - Most often = 1
  - If zero, default provided
- OUT: Real number of rows returned
  - <= IN value
  - UNDEFINED if ret\_code <> DBERR\_SUCCESS
- NO possibility to fetch the remaining rows!

## Get<Object>List

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### Generic function header:

```

FUNCTION UNAPIST.GetSampleTypeList
(a_st                OUT        UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
a_version            OUT        UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
a_version_is_current OUT        UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
a_effective_from     OUT        UNAPIGEN.DATE_TABLE_TYPE,
a_effective_till      OUT        UNAPIGEN.DATE_TABLE_TYPE,
a_description         OUT        UNAPIGEN.VC40_TABLE_TYPE,
a_ss                 OUT        UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
a_nr_of_rows          IN         OUT NUMBER,
a_where_clause        IN         VARCHAR2,
a_next_rows           IN         NUMBER)
RETURN NUMBER;

```

**a\_where\_clause and a\_nr\_of\_rows as in Get<Object>**

## Get<Object>List (3)

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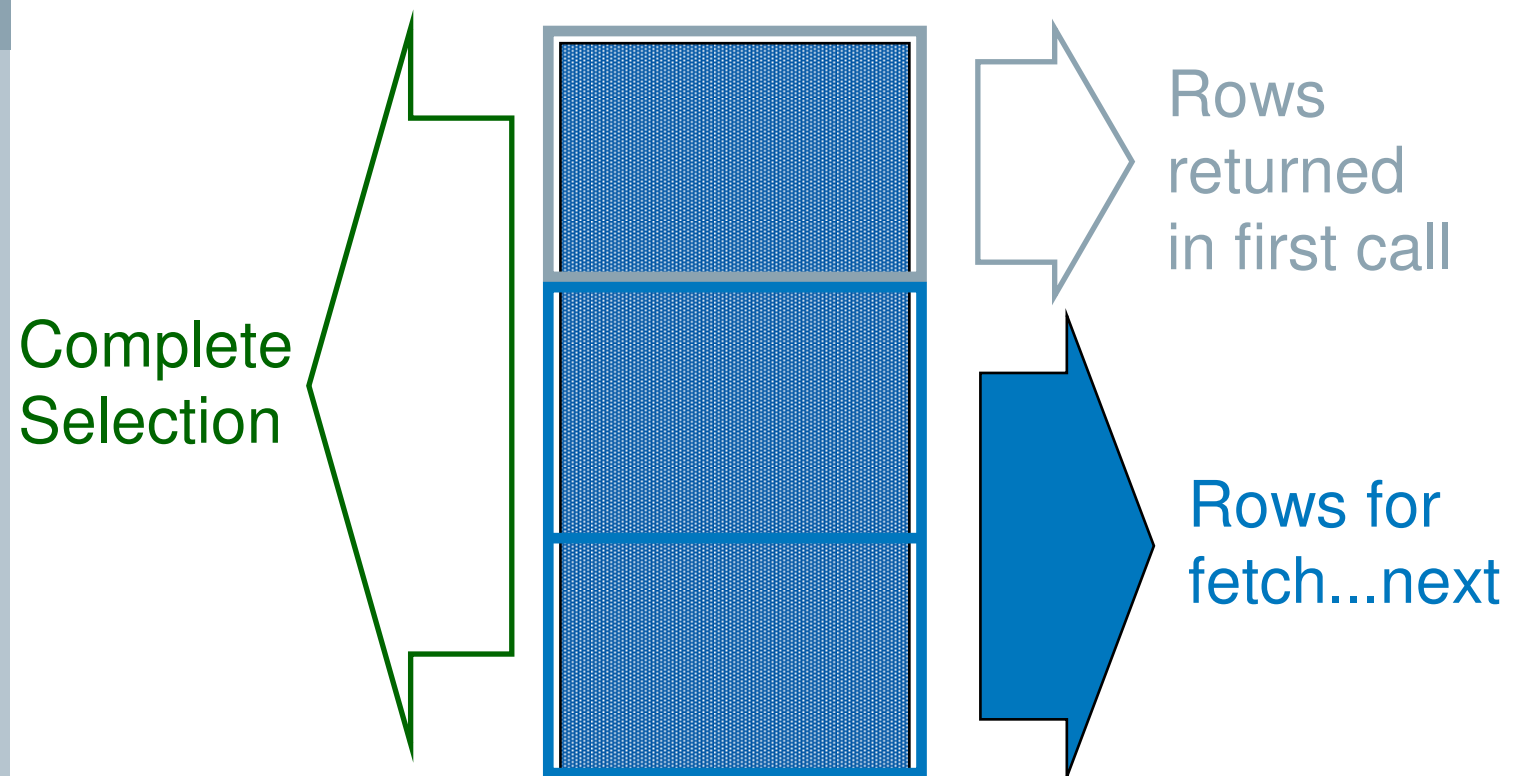
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Fetch...next allows to fetch the remaining rows



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## Get<Object>List (4)

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### First call

- a\_next\_rows = 0
- New a\_where\_clause

### Next calls

- a\_next\_rows = 1
- Same a\_where\_clause (arg not used)
- If all rows returned:
  - a\_nr\_of\_rows OUT <= IN
  - Cursor closed automatically
- If no more rows found
  - ret\_code = DBERR\_NORECORDS
  - OUT arguments UNDEFINED

### Explicitly closing the cursor

- a\_next\_rows = -1
- No error if cursor was already closed
- OUT arguments are UNDEFINED
- When only one call must be performed, it must be done with a\_next\_rows=-1.

**The cursor has to  
be always closed  
when finished**

## Exercise

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### Exercise 2

- Fetch all data for the sample type with the *description* 'EA Pizza Cheesy Crust'  
Display the sample type, description, version and status.

### Exercise 3

- Get the list of all sample types ordered by sample type
- Display the sample type, description, version and status.

### Exercise 3b

- Get this list in chunks of 5

## Save<Object>

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**SAVES** the standard properties of one specific object.

- All properties, except
  - ss
  - allow\_modify
  - active
  - access right
- Valid values (+required columns) are defined by object type
  - Refer to table definitions

**INSERTS** if new object

- Initialisation is done by the Event Manager
  - Life cycle if not specified
  - Status
  - Access rights

**UPDATES** if existing object

- If update is allowed
- Life cycle handling is done by the Event Manager



## Delete<Object>

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Deletes an object permanently

- If allowed
- Object has to be non-active
- All references are removed as well

Generic function header

```
FUNCTION UNAPI<XX>.Delete<Object>  
    (a_<xx>                IN  VARCHAR2,  
     a_modify_reason        IN  VARCHAR2)  
RETURN NUMBER;
```

# Version Management

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Configuration objects where version control is implemented

- rt, st, pp, pr, mt, ip, ie, au, wt, cy, pt

Objects where version column is present but not yet implemented

- gk, eq, lc, ad, up, uc

Objects always have a version.

- Objects with version management
  - UNVERSION.P\_INITIAL\_VERSION
- Objects without version management
  - UNVERSION.P\_NO\_VERSION

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### Exercise 4

- Create a new sample type
- Do not forget to fill in the description
- Sample Lifecycle : LS
- Do not forget to specify the correct SC\_LC\_VERSION
- Object Lifecycle : @L
- Do not forget to specify the correct LC\_VERSION
- Modify Reason : 'Exercise 4'

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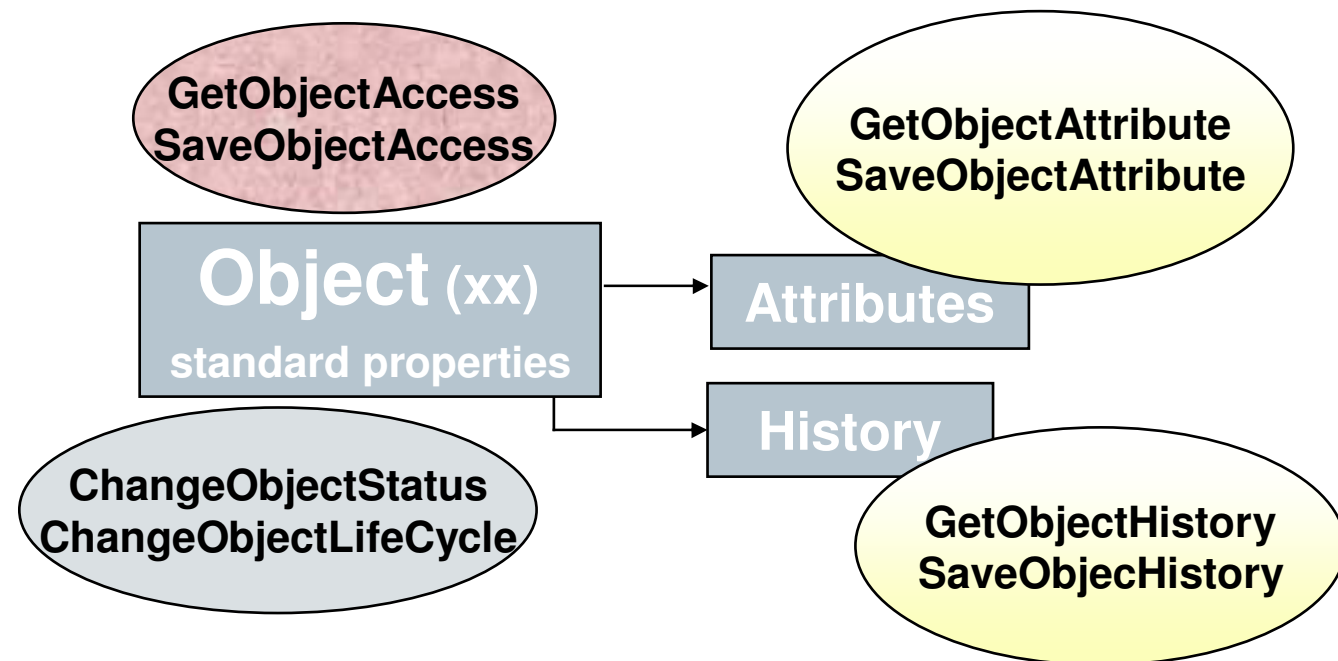
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- Valid for all configuration objects
  - Object type = <xx>
- Functions stored in UNAPIPRP and UNAPIGEN

## Exercise 5

- Set the status of the new sample type to 'Approved' (@A)
- Modify Reason : 'Exercise 5'

## Configuration APIs – Used objects

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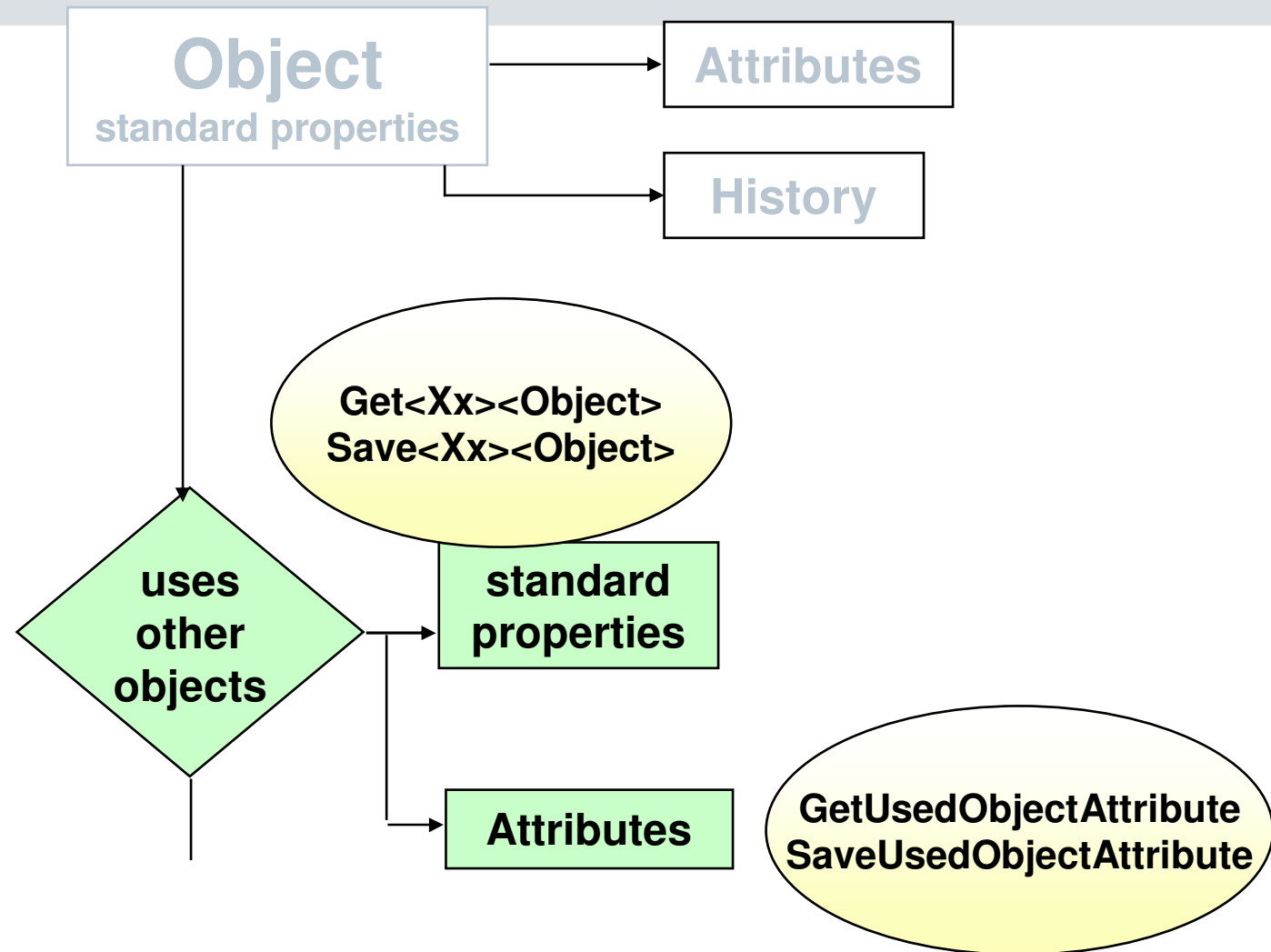
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### Packages

- Object specific functions in UNAPI<Xx> package with Xx = main object
- Generic functions in UNAPIGEN and UNAPIPRP

## Get<Xx><Object>

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Get the list of used objects for a main object and their standard properties

- Returns all std. properties of the used objects
- E.g. GetPrMethod

```

FUNCTION UNAPI<Xx>.Get<Xx><Object>
    (a_<xx>          OUT          UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
    a_<yy>          OUT          UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
    ...
    a_nr_of_rows    IN OUT        NUMBER,          /* NUM_TYPE    */
    a_where_clause  IN            VARCHAR2)        /* VC255_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;
  
```



## Get<Xx><Object> (2)

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### a\_where\_clause

- Object ID
  - E.g. 'pH', 'Moisture' => 'ORDER BY seq'
- Complete WHERE clause
  - E.g. 'WHERE mt like "M%" ORDER BY mt, seq'
  - Use all columns of the used object table
- NULL
  - Default set to return all 'used' objects assigned to all objects, ordered by object ID, seq

## Save<Xx><Object>

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Save the list of used objects for a main object

- Deletes existing entries (!!)
- Inserts new list
- Is in charge of the sequence numbering
- E.g. SavePrMethod

```
FUNCTION UNAPI<Xx>.Save<Xx><Object>
(a_<xx>                IN    VARCHAR2,    /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_<yy>                IN    UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
 ...
 a_nr_of_rows          IN    NUMBER,
 a_modify_reason       IN    VARCHAR2) /* VC255_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;
```

# Group Key Functions

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## GetStGroupKey

- Gets the list of group keys assigned to a group of sample types and their values
- Similar to GetUsedObjectAttribute

## GetGroupKeySt

- Gets the details of one or more sample type group keys
- Similar to Get<Object>

## SaveGroupKeySt

- Saves the definition of a group key for sample types
- Similar to Save<Object>

## SaveStGroupKey

- Saves the list of group keys and their values assigned to a single sample type
- Similar to SaveObjectAttribute

## Save1StGroupKey

- Saves the values for 1 group key assigned to 1 sample type

## Version Management (Part 2)

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### Questions to ask yourself when creating a new version

- Which version will the next version be based on
  - The current or last version
  - `UNVERSION.GetHighestMinorVersion('st', 'waste_water', I_version)`
  - `UNVERSION.GetHighestMajorVersion ('st', 'waste_water', I_version)`
- Is it a minor or a major version upgrade
  - `UNVERSION.GetNextMinorVersion(I_version)`
  - `UNVERSION.GetNextMajorVersion(I_version)`

### Assigning objects to an other object

- On Each link you have to define the version you want to use
  - ~Current~ : Unilab will always use the Current object.
  - 0001.\* : Unilab uses the last minor version for the specified version.
  - 0001.01 : Unilab uses a fixed version.

## Exercise

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### Exercise 6

- Create a new sample type version
- Assign the parameter profiles with the descriptions 'Anions' and 'Calibration' to the new sample type.
- Use next\_rows = -1 when performing one call.

### Exercise 7

- Assign the group key with description 'Product Class' with the value 'finished product' to your new sample type
- GK Version is ignored, but it is best to implement this for future use.

# Database APIs

## Operational APIs

# Nodes vs Sequences

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## Common use

- Ordering in list
- Distinction between multiple assignments of same object

## Configuration objects: sequences

- List of used objects ordered by seq
- No explicit identification of used object
- Sequence number only internally to DB-API

## Operational objects: nodes

- Each object is a 'used' object
- Multi-level hierarchy (sc-pg-pa-me)
  - No re-sequencing !
  - Composite node numbers

## Key to each object = id(s) + node(s)

- E.g. operational parameter
  - sc + pg + pgnode + pa + panode
- E.g. operational info field
  - sc + ic + icnode + ii + iinode

## Node Numbering

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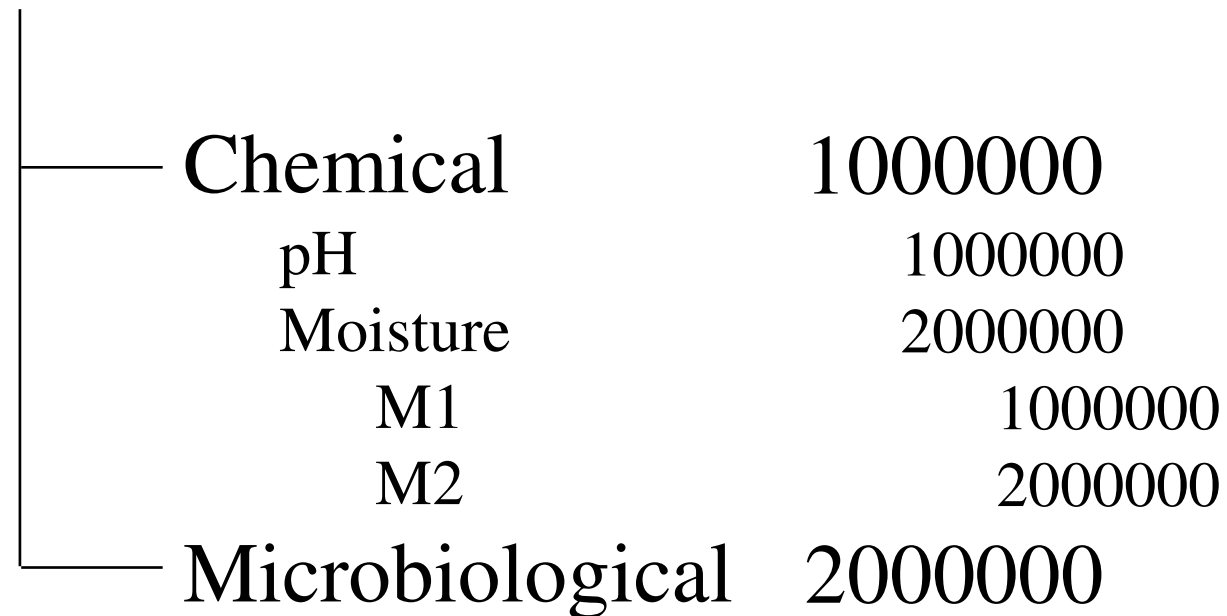
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### Example

070117-001

Node





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Get<Xx>GroupKey  
Save<Xx>GroupKey  
Select<Object>

grp. key 1

**Object (xx)**  
standard properties

Get<Object>Access  
Save<Object>Access

Get<Object>  
Get<Object>Result  
Save<Object>  
Save<Object>Result

Get<Object>Attribute  
Save<Object>Attribute

Attributes

History

Change<Object>Status  
Change<Object>LifeCycle

Get<Object>History  
Save<Object>History

## Operational APIs (2)

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### Naming conventions

- All operational objects
  - <xx> = sc, scpg, scpa, scme, scic, scii
  - <Object> = Sample, ScMethod,...

### Packages

- Object specific functions in:
  - UNAPI<XX> : main functions
  - UNAPI<XX>P : extra functions
- Generic functions in UNAPIAUT

## Get<Object>

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### Get<Object>

- Gets all object details
- All objects as specified in a `_where_clause`
- E.g. `GetScMethod` may result in list of methods for one sample
- Access rights will influence the result !!!

There is NO `Get<Object>List`

### Get<Object>Result

- Returns only result (if relevant)

## Get<Object> (2)

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Generic function header:

```

FUNCTION Get<Object>
(a_sc          OUT          UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_pg          OUT          UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_pgnode      OUT          UNAPIGEN.LONG_TABLE_TYPE,
 ...
 a_allow_modify OUT          UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_active      OUT          UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_lc          OUT          UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_ss          OUT          UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_nr_of_rows  IN OUT      NUMBER,                /* NUM_TYPE */
 a_where_clause IN          VARCHAR2)             /* VC255_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;

```

## Get<Object> (3)

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### a\_where\_clause

- Sample code
  - 'WHERE sc = ... ORDER BY all nodes'
- Complete WHERE clause
  - E.g. 'WHERE sc = '050117-001'  
AND pg = 'Chemical'  
ORDER BY panode'
  - Use all columns of the object table
- NULL !
  - Fetches the entire list

### a\_nr\_of\_rows

- IN: Maximum expected number of rows
  - Limit on the rows returned
  - Most often = 1
  - If zero, default provided
- OUT: Real number of rows returned
  - <= IN value
  - UNDEFINED if ret\_code <> DBERR\_SUCCESS
- NO possibility to fetch the remaining rows !

## Exercise

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### Exercise 8

- Fetch all data for all samples of the sample type description 'EA Pizza Cheesy Crust'

### Exercise 9

- Get all parameters for the last sample of exercise 8
- Display parameter, description, value\_s and status.

## Get... vs Select... Functions

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Requests, samples and (operational) methods have group keys

- Select... returns same data (columns) as Get...
- Select... restricts selection based on group key selection  
Get... uses where\_clause
- Select... only allows order\_by\_clause

## Select<Object>

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### Generic function header

```
FUNCTION SelectScMethod
```

```
(a_col_id           IN          UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_col_tp           IN          UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_col_value        IN          UNAPIGEN.VC40_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_col_nr_of_rows   IN          NUMBER,
 a_sc               OUT         UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_pg               OUT         UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_pgnode           OUT         UNAPIGEN.LONG_TABLE_TYPE,
 ...
 a_allow_modify     OUT         UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_active           OUT         UNAPIGEN.CHAR1_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_lc               OUT         UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_ss               OUT         UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_nr_of_rows       IN OUT     NUMBER,      /* NUM_TYPE */
 a_order_by_clause  IN          VARCHAR2)  /* VC255_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;
```



## Get<Object>Result

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Only for methods and parameters

Get the result of a method/parameter

```

FUNCTION GetScMeResult
(a_sc          IN          VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_pg          IN OUT     VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_pgnode      IN OUT     NUMBER,            /* LONG_TYPE */
 a_pa          IN OUT     VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_panode      IN OUT     NUMBER,            /* LONG_TYPE */
 a_me          IN OUT     VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_menode      IN OUT     NUMBER,            /* LONG_TYPE */
 a_value_f     OUT        FLOAT,             /* FLOAT_TYPE */
 a_value_s     OUT        VARCHAR2)          /* VC40_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;
```

## Exercise

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### Exercise 10

- Fetch samples of the product class 'finished product' that have status Available (AV)

## Save<Object>

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Save the std properties of a list of objects assigned to the same main object

- E.g. SaveScParameter saves parameters for 1 parameter group
- Exception: SaveSample
  - Only saves standard properties of 1 sample
- Only saves current object level

Uses NODES to identify objects

## SaveSc<Object>

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### Generic function header

```
FUNCTION SaveSc<Object>
(a_sc                IN      UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_pg                IN      UNAPIGEN.VC20_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_pgnode            IN      UNAPIGEN.LONG_TABLE_TYPE,
 ...
 a_lc                IN      UNAPIGEN.VC2_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_modify_flag       IN OUT  UNAPIGEN.NUM_TABLE_TYPE,
 a_nr_of_rows        IN      NUMBER,
 a_modify_reason     IN      VARCHAR2) /* VC255_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;
```

## SaveSc<Object> (2)

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### a\_modify\_flag (IN):

- what to do for each row
  - MOD\_FLAG\_UPDATE
    - Update the data in the database for this record
  - MOD\_FLAG\_INSERT
    - Insert this row with a node number before the next row in the array
  - MOD\_FLAG\_CREATE
    - Insert the object and all descending levels
  - MOD\_FLAG\_DELETE
    - Delete this record from the database
  - DBERR\_SUCCESS
    - Leave this record untouched
  - MOD\_FLAG\_INSERT\_WITH\_NODES
    - Insert this object in the DB with a given node number

## SaveSc<Object> (3)

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### **a\_modify\_flag (OUT):**

- error code in case of PARTIAL save
- DBERR\_SUCCESS if OK
- If there is a data error in one of the rows of the arrays
  - The API tries to save as much as possible
  - Return code = DBERR\_PARTIALSAVE
  - Check the on-line help of [a\\_modify\\_flag](#) for details (contains exact return code for the row)

## Inserting Op. Objects

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Only if allow\_modify = '1' on all upper levels

- E.g. adding method measurement only if sample not yet finished

IN node should be 0, OUT value will be generated node number

Insert is done BEFORE the node of the next row in the arrays

- Node = NUMBER(9)
- Binary split to insert before
- If no next specified, append at end

Pay attention to:

- Duplicate entries (same method name, but different node number)
- Inserting parameter without parameter group ('/' parameter group created)
- If result available, implicit call of Save...Result
- Event handling:
  - <Xx>Created
  - <Xx>Result Updated

## Updating Op. Objects

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Only if `allow_modify = '1'` on all upper levels

- E.g. info field can only be changed if sample is still modifiable

If result available => implicit call of `Save...Result`

Event handling

- `<Xx>Updated`
- `<Xx>ResultUpdated`



## Deleting Op. Objects

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Only possible if object is not active

- DBERR\_OPACTIVE

Samples, Requests

- DeleteSample(), DeleteRequest()

Other objects:

- SaveSc<Object> with MOD\_FLAG\_DELETE

Event handling:

- <Xx>Deleted

## SaveSc<Object> - Example

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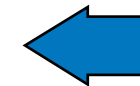
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070117-001

└── Chemical 1000000  
    └── Microbiological 2000000



Add this

```
a_sc(1) := '070117-001';  
a_pg(1) := 'Microbiological';  
a_pgnode(1) := 0;  
a_modify_flag(1) := UNAPIGEN.MOD_FLAG_INSERT;  
a_nr_of_rows := 1;  
ret_code := UNAPIPG.SaveScParameterGroup  
            (a_sc, a_pg, a_pgnode, ...  
             a_modify_flag, a_nr_of_rows, 'Example1');
```

## SaveSc<Object> - Example (2)

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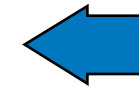
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070117-001

Chemical	1000000
In-line	1500000
Microbiological	2000000



Add this

```

a_sc(1) := '070117-001';
a_pg(1) := 'In-line';
a_pgnode(1) := 0;
a_modify_flag(1) := UNAPIGEN.MOD_FLAG_INSERT;
a_sc(2) := '070117-001';
a_pg(2) := 'Microbiological';
a_pgnode(2) := 2000000;
a_modify_flag(2) := NULL;
a_nr_of_rows := 2;
ret_code := UNAPIPG.SaveScParameterGroup
            (a_sc, a_pg, a_pgnode, ...
             a_modify_flag, a_nr_of_rows, 'Example2');
  
```

## SaveSc<Object> - Example (3)

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070117-001

Chemical	1000000
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<del>In-line</del>	<del>1500000</del>
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Microbiological	2000000
-----------------	---------

 Remove this

```

a_sc(1) := '070117-001';
a_pg(1) := 'In-line';
a_pgnode(1) := 1500000;
a_modify_flag(1) := UNAPIGEN.MOD_FLAG_DELETE;
a_nr_of_rows := 1;
ret_code := UNAPIPG.SaveScParameterGroup
            (a_sc, a_pg, a_pgnode, ...
             a_modify_flag, a_nr_of_rows, 'Example3');

```

## Create Sample (Request)

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### Based on sample type

- Automatic pg, pa, me assignment
  - Evaluate frequency assignments
  - Sampling date is reference
  - Specs handling
- Assignment of au and gk

### If no sample type is specified

- Sample created empty (no ic or pg)
- Assignment of gk

### Field Types

- Field types are used to set the context
- Possible field types : rq; sd; gk; delay; delay\_unit
- When field\_type gk, field\_name specifies the gk name
- All group keys will be assigned to the object
- The assigned group keys are used for enterprise LIMS

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### Exercise 11

- Create a sample of sample type 01-100 by calling CreateSample()
- Did you create a sample of the last version??

### Exercise 12

- Add the parameter with description 'Zero' in the first parameter group
- Use LifeCycle 'LP' with the correct version.

## Creating Object from Configuration

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### Creating objects from configuration

- Initialisation using **InitSc<Object>**
  - Only in memory
- Calling **SaveSc<Object>**
  - In the DB

### Sub-tree assignment

- For existing objects!
- Using **InitSc<XX>Details**
  - Only in memory
- Calling **CreateSc<XX>Details**
  - In the DB

## Assignment of op. objects (2)

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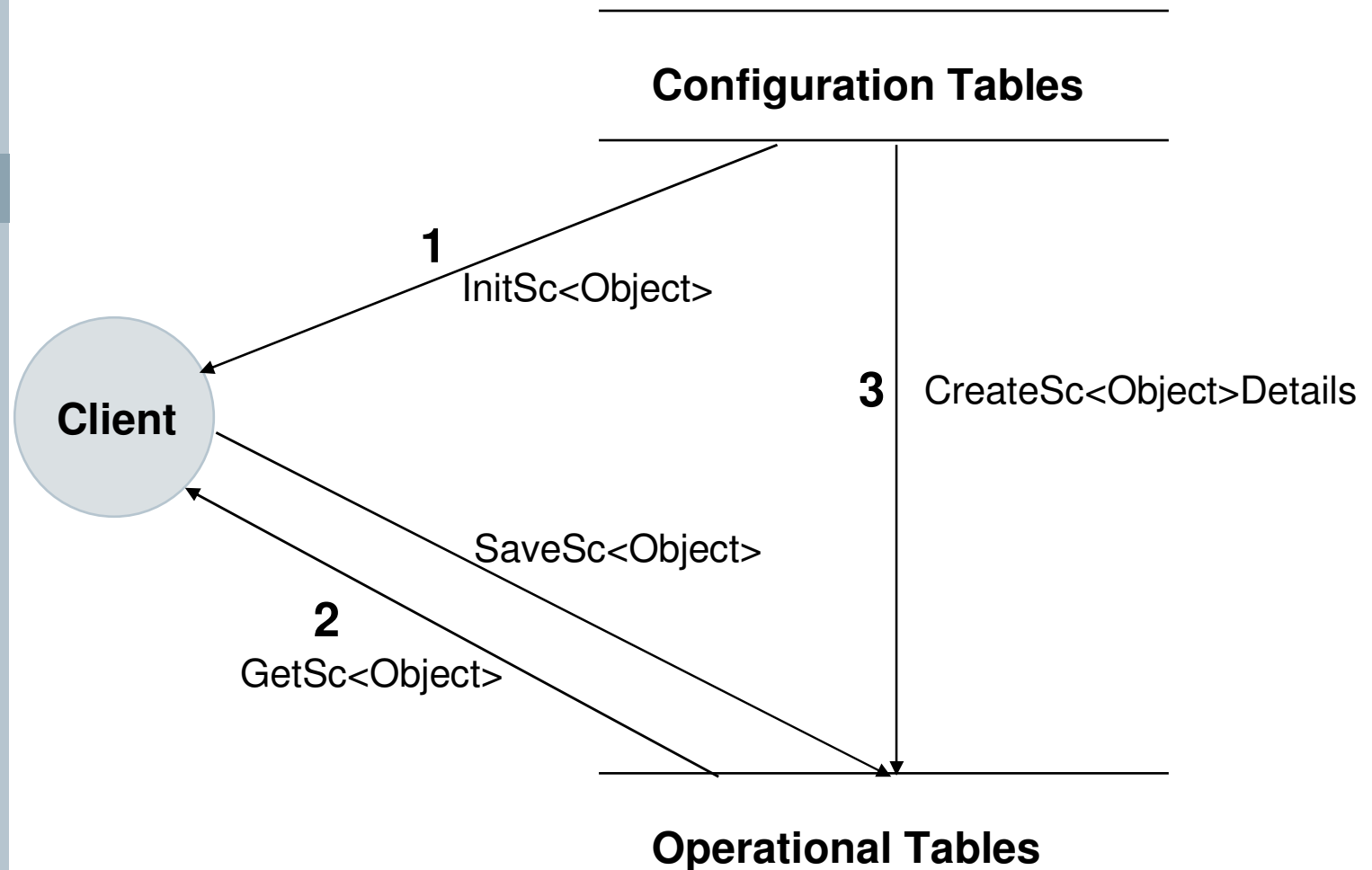
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# Initialising Data

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Initialising op. objects: InitSc<Object>

- Using configuration data
- Output arrays can be used directly in SaveSc<Object>
  - All columns provided
  - Output consists of arrays because multiple rows may be returned

Example function header

```

FUNCTION InitScParameter
(a_pr          IN          VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_seq         IN          NUMBER,            /* NUM_TYPE */
 a_sc          IN          VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_pg          IN          VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_pgnode      IN          NUMBER,            /* LONG_TYPE */
 a_description  OUT        UNAPIGEN.VC40_TABLE_TYPE,
 ...
 a_nr_of_rows  IN OUT      NUMBER)            /* NUM_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;
```

## Creating Sub-objects

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### In the DB

- With or without frequency filtering
- E.g. method(s) for a parameter

```
FUNCTION CreateScPaDetails
(a_st          IN VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_pp          IN VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_pr          IN VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_seq         IN NUMBER,            /* NUM_TYPE */
 a_sc          IN VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_pg          IN VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
 a_pgnode      IN NUMBER,            /* LONG_TYPE */
 a_panode      IN NUMBER,            /* LONG_TYPE */
 a_filter_freq IN CHAR,              /* CHAR1_TYPE */
 a_ref_date    IN DATE,              /* DATE_TYPE */
 a_modify_reason IN VARCHAR2)        /* VC255_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;
```

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### Exercise 13

- Assign a new parameter (*description: FAT*) to the sample, using the Init- and Save- functions

### Exercise 14

- Assign methods to the new parameter using the Create...Details functions

## Result Handling

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Saving parameter and method results

- Call **SaveSc<XX>Result** instead of SaveSc<Object>

SaveSc<Object>Result

- Saves the result
- **Evaluates alarm handling**
- Distributes results to other parameters/methods

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## Reanalyses can be applied to

- **Parameter groups:** ReanalScPgDetails
  - Reanalysis of all parameters in parameter group
- **Parameters:** ReanalScParam
- **Methods:** ReanalScMethod

## ReanalSc<XX>FromDetails

- Details of analysis are not cleared
  - example: ReanalScPaFromDetails

## To get the reanalysis values:

- **GetScRe<Object>**
  - Identical to GetSc<Object>
  - Selects from utrsc<xx>
  - Gives the complete list of all reanalyses (unless specified otherwise in where\_clause)

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Get<Xx>GroupKey  
Save<Xx>GroupKey

grp. key 1

**Object (xx)**  
standard properties

Get<Object>Access  
Save<Object>Access

Get<Object>Attribute  
Save<Object>Attribute

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History

Get<Object>History  
Save<Object>History

Change<Object>Status  
Change<Object>LifeCycle

## Common Operational APIs (2)

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All functions are identical to the Configuration APIs

Except for the key arguments

- No object type, as each type has its own functions
- Object ID = sc + object ID(s) + nodes !!!

No 'Used' objects at all



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# Life Cycles



## Life Cycles

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### Each individual object has its own life cycle

Life Cycles are used to manage the states of a certain object

An object is, at any moment, in a specific state

Each state determines

- whether or not modifications are allowed
- whether or not the object is “active”
- what colour the object will be displayed in a list!

# Define states

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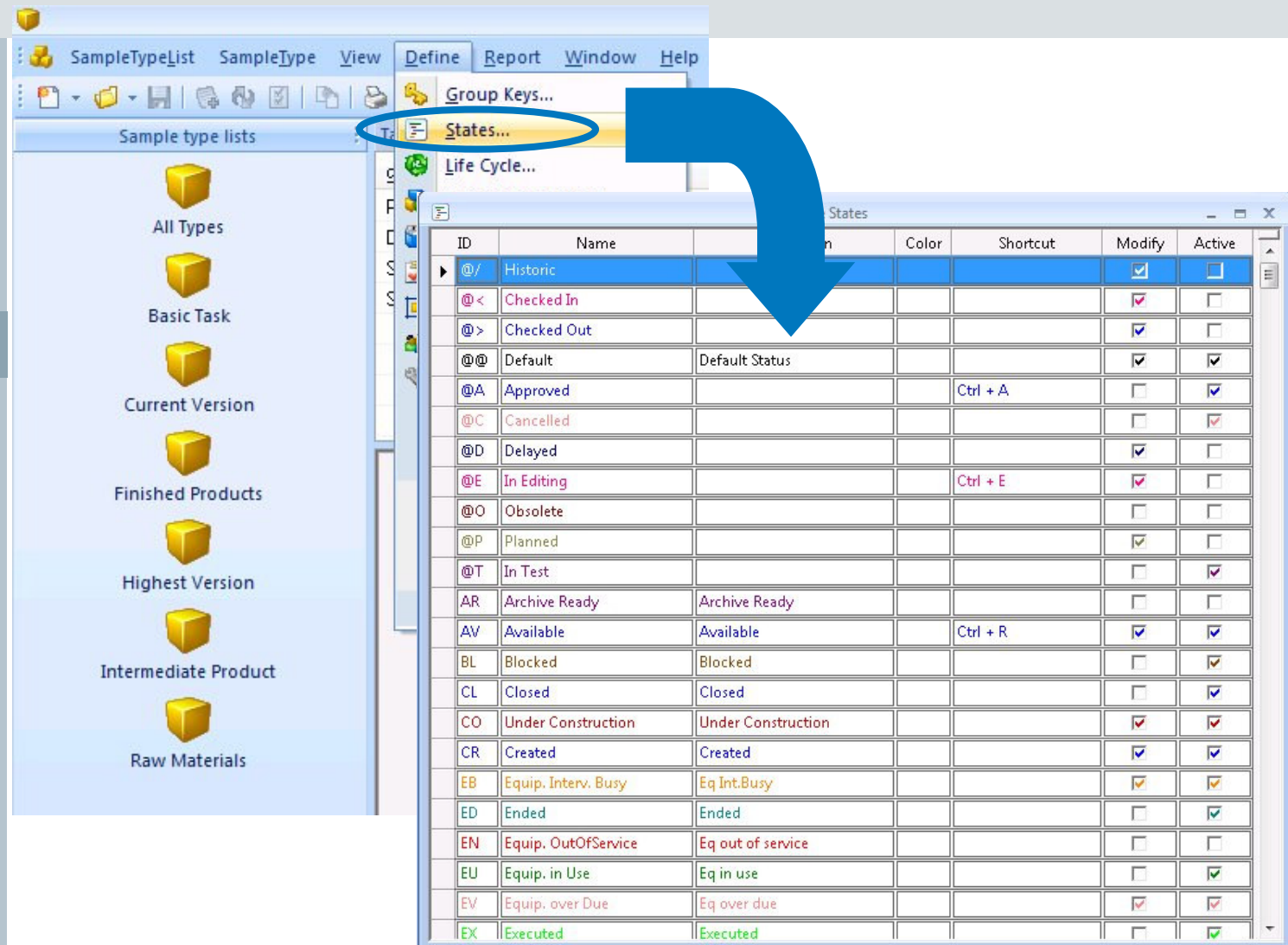
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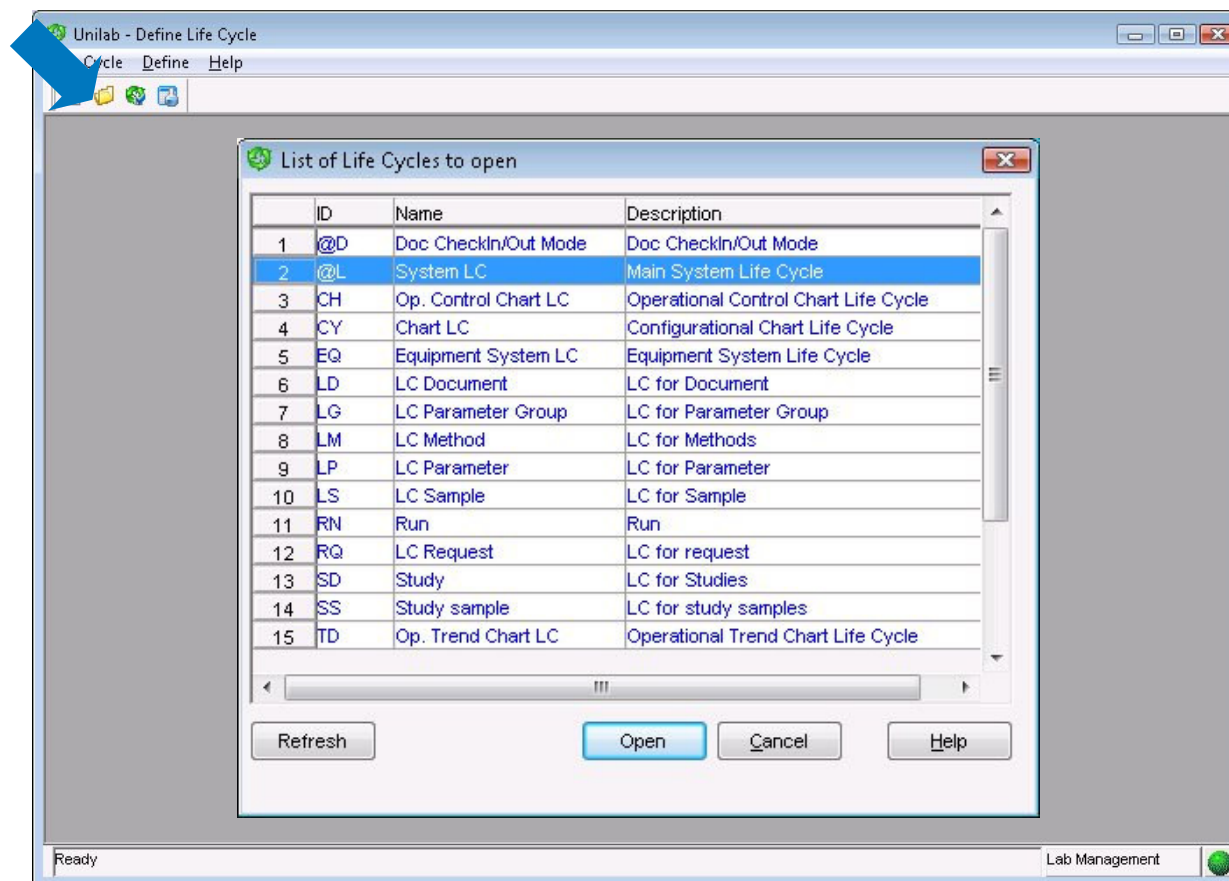
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# Life Cycle

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Unilab - Define Life Cycle - [Life Cycle <@L>]

Life Cycle Transition Define View Window Help

ID @L Name System LC Status Approved

Description Main System Life Cycle Life Cycle System LC

Transition

Current

~Initial~

Condition Current to Next

[None] ...

Previous

Next

In Editing

Ready Lab Management

## Life Cycle Properties

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ID @L Name System LC

Description Main System Life Cycle

Open

Properties

Properties of Life Cycle <@L>

**Standard attributes** Attributes

Name System LC Status Approved

Description Main System Life Cycle Life Cycle System LC

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Intended use 1

Status to switch to on reanalysis

Audit Trail OK Cancel Help

## Conditions

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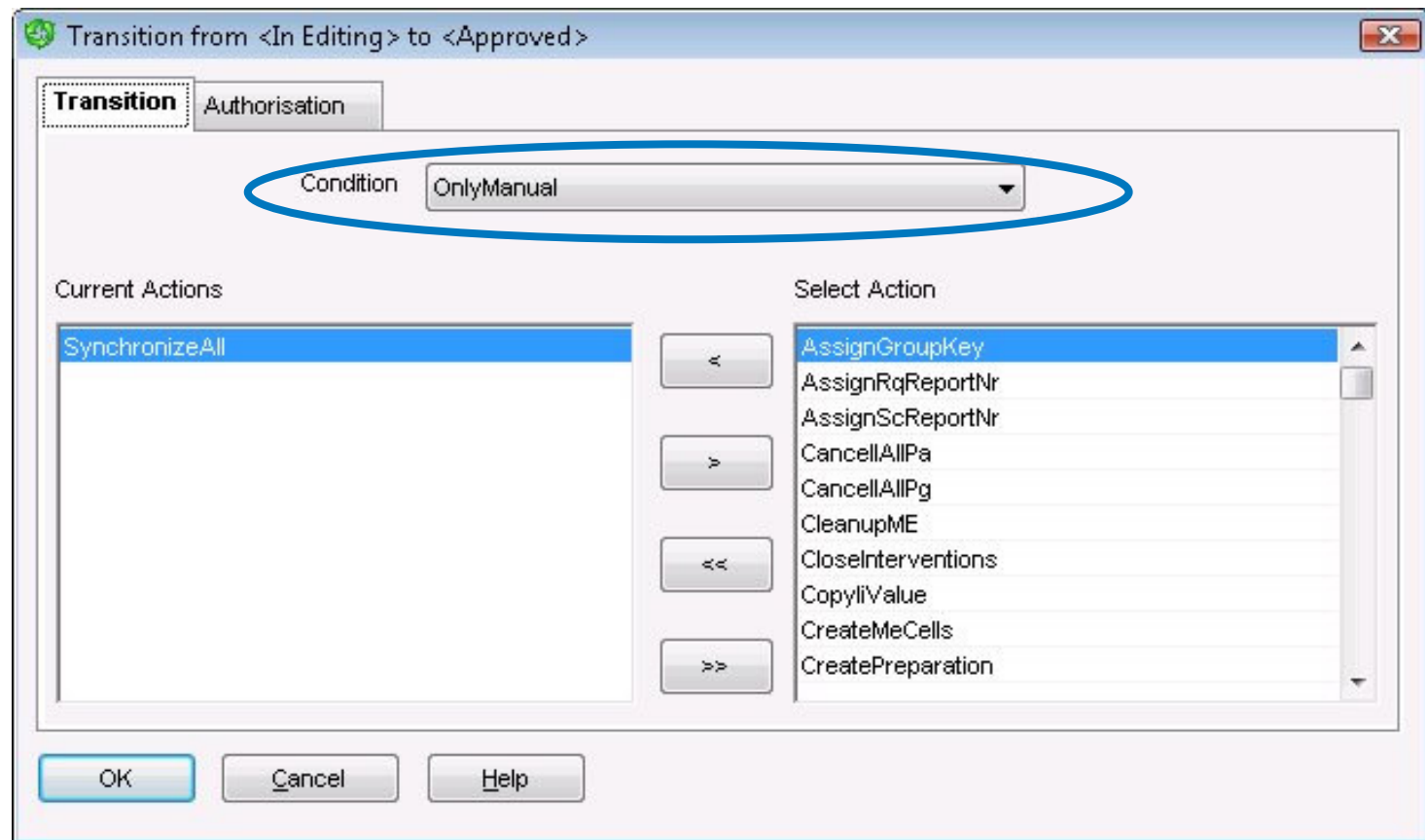
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# Authorization

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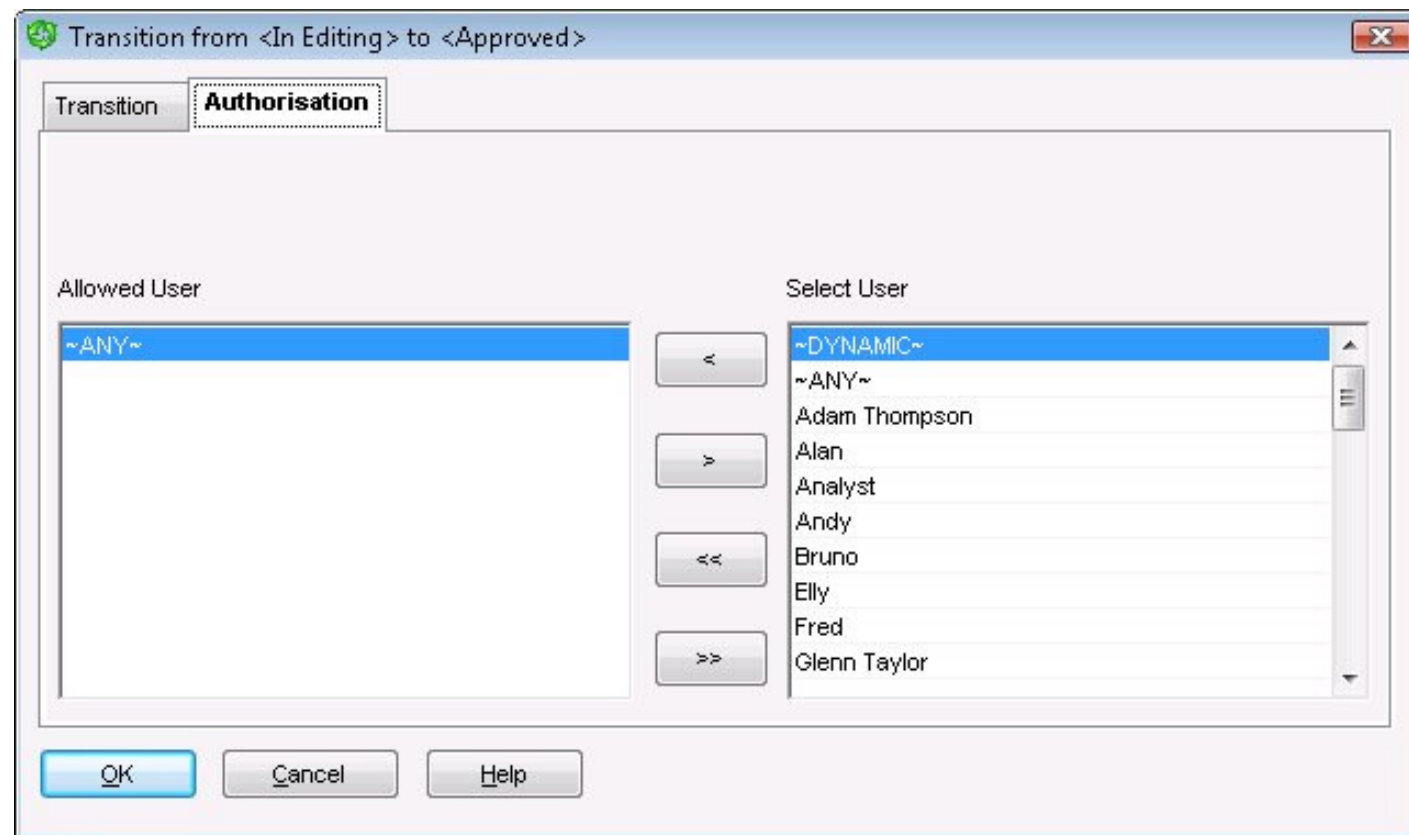
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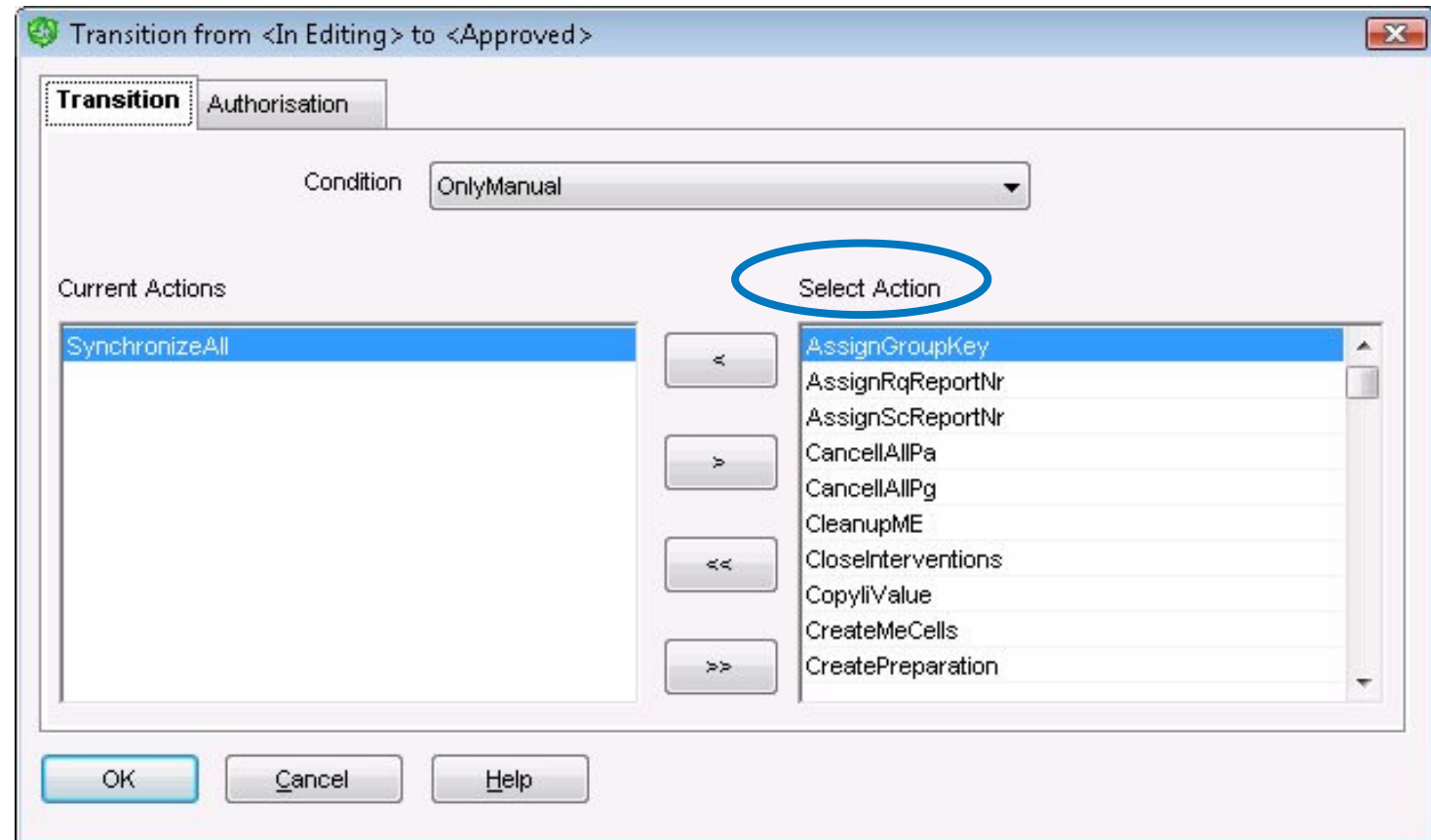
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Properties of Life Cycle <@L>

**Standard attributes** | Attributes

Name: System LC      Status: Approved

Description: Main System Life Cycle      Life Cycle: System LC

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Intended use: 1

Status to switch to on reanalysis: [Dropdown Menu]

Audit Trail      OK      Cancel      Help

## ChangeSs\_AllowReanal Preference



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### Custom Functions

- PL/SQL or C++

### Custom Functions are stored in “packages”

- Custom packages for PL/SQL custom functions
- DLL for C++ custom functions

### UTCf

- Reference table for all custom functions

## UTCf Table

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**utc**  
**f**

**cf**  
**description**  
**cf\_type**  
**cf\_file**

**CF**

- name of PL/SQL or C++ function

**DESCRIPTION**

- info on custom function

**CF\_TYPE**

- Custom function type
  - condition, action,...
- Determines package for PL/SQL functions

**CF\_FILE**

- File for C++ custom functions

# UTCf Table - Example

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CF	DESCRIPTION	CF_TYPE	CF_FILE
▶ slope	slope	mtcellcalc	slope.cpp
AddExtraParameters	AddExtraParameters	paalarm	AddExtraParameters.cpp
CheckResultPositive	CheckResultPositive	mtcellval	CheckResultPositive.cpp
DistributionLst	DistributionLst	ieval	DistributionLst.cpp
standard label	standard label	printlbl	standard label.cpp
SCSAMPLINGDATE	SCSAMPLINGDATE	scgkcreate	
MEASSIGNRESPONSIBLE	MEASSIGNRESPONSIBLE	megkcreate	
CANCELLALLPA	CANCELLALLPA	lcaction	
ALLPAVALIDATED	ALLPAVALIDATED	lccond	

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## Database Custom Functions

## DB Custom functions

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### PL/SQL Custom Functions

- header + body !

Grouped in Packages:

- UN + custom function type
  - Conditions : UNCONDITION
  - Data access rights : UNACCESS
  - ...

Access to DB through DB API's

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Access rights assignment

Group key assignment rules

Worklist assignment rules

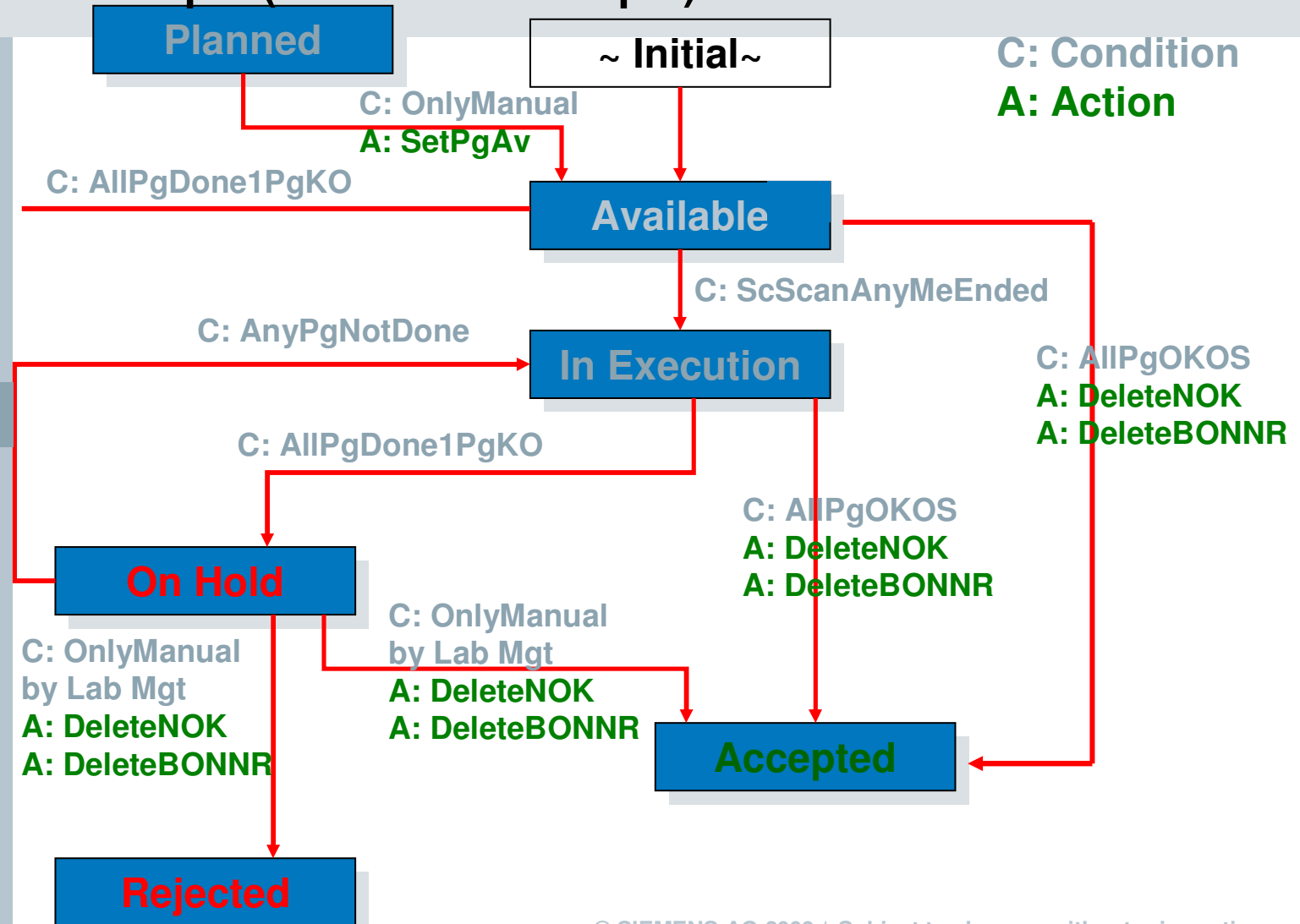
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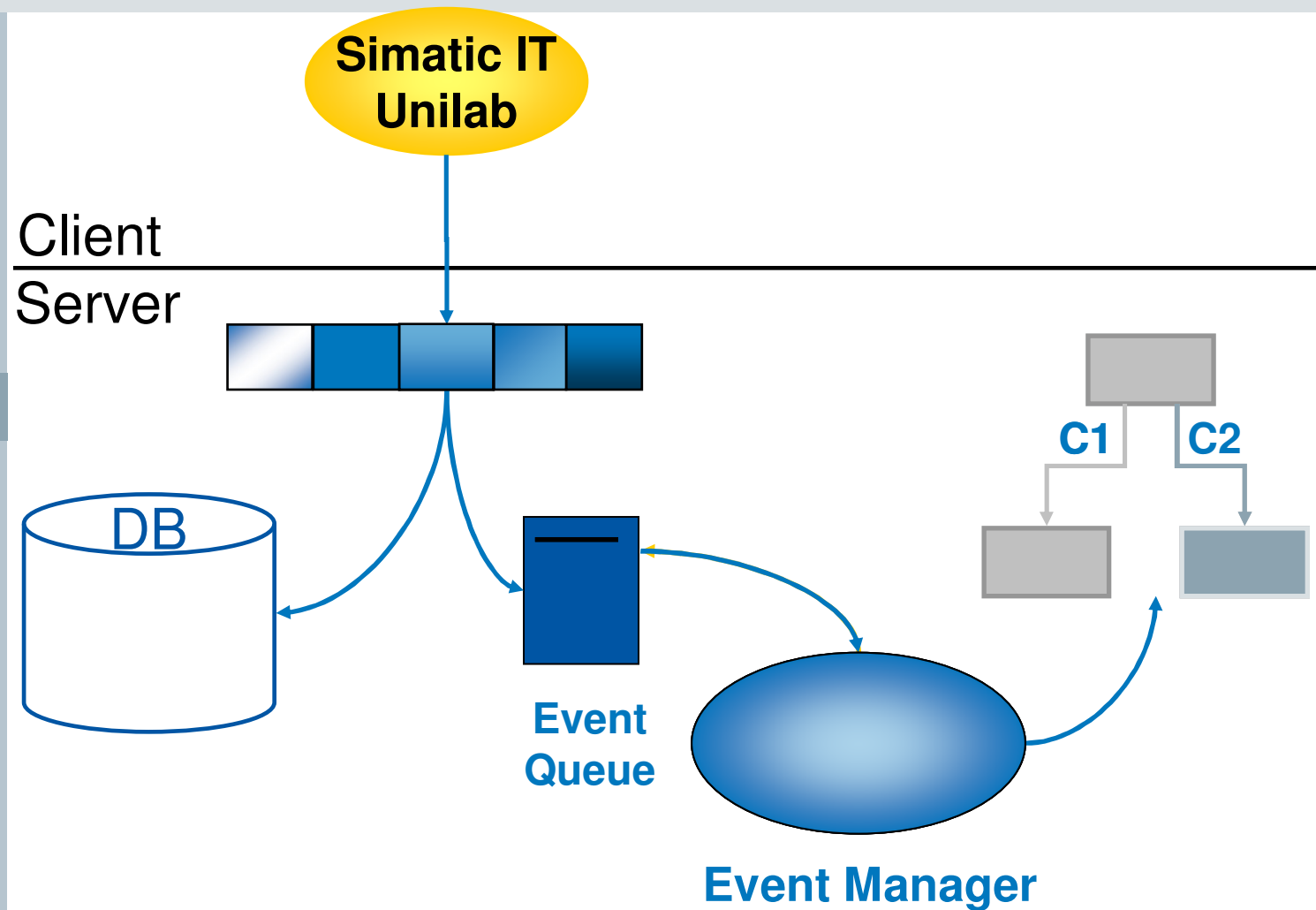
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## Conditions

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Package: UNCONDITION

CF\_type = lccond

Return value (ret\_val)

- DBERR\_SUCCESS
- <else>

The condition is met

The condition is not OK

## Event Manager Package Variables

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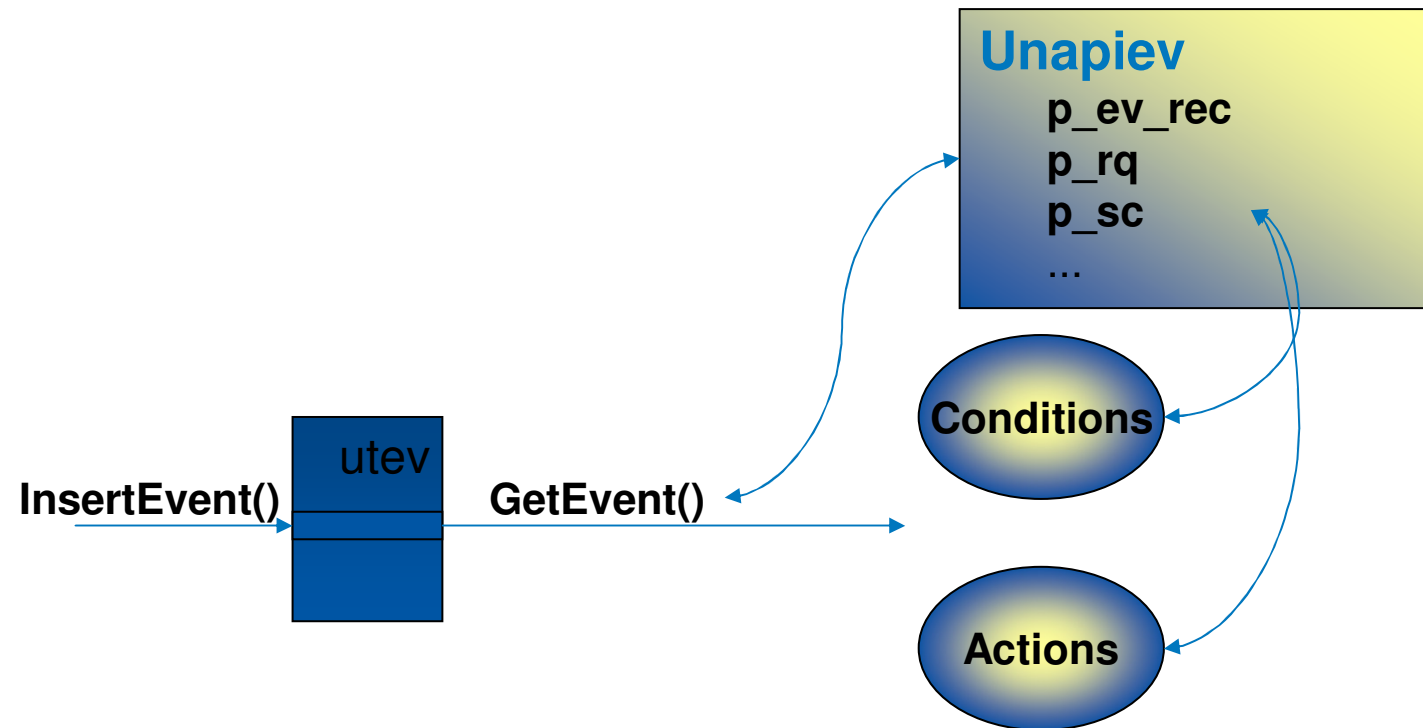
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## UNAPIEV package variables

- Event causing the call

P_EV_REC	utev%ROWTYPE;
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- Excerpts from ev\_details

P_SC	VARCHAR2 (20) ;
P_PG	VARCHAR2 (20) ;
P_PA	VARCHAR2 (20) ;
P_ME	VARCHAR2 (20) ;
P_IC	VARCHAR2 (20) ;
P_II	VARCHAR2 (20) ;
P_PGNODE	NUMBER (9) ;
P_PANODE	NUMBER (9) ;
P_MENODE	NUMBER (9) ;
P_ICNODE	NUMBER (9) ;
P_IINODE	NUMBER (9) ;
...	

## Conditions - Examples

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### Check if parameter started

```
FUNCTION PaStarted
RETURN NUMBER IS
    l_exec_start_date    DATE;
BEGIN
    SELECT exec_start_date
    INTO l_exec_start_date
    FROM utscpa
    WHERE sc = UNAPIEV.P_SC
           AND pg = UNAPIEV.P_PG
           AND pgnode = UNAPIEV.P_PGNODE
           AND pa = UNAPIEV.P_PA
           AND panode = UNAPIEV.P_PANODE;
    IF l_exec_start_date IS NOT NULL THEN
        RETURN (UNAPIGEN.DBERR_SUCCESS);
    ELSE
        RETURN (UNAPIGEN.DBERR_NOOBJECT);
    END IF;
END PaStarted;
```

Reference to  
UNAPIEV  
package  
variables

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### OnlyManual

- Always returns an error to avoid automatic transitions

```
FUNCTION OnlyManual  
RETURN NUMBER IS  
  
BEGIN  
    RETURN (UNAPIGEN.DBERR_GENFAIL);  
END OnlyManual;
```

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Package: **UNACTION**

Cf\_type = **laction**

- **ret\_val**
  - Any value allowed
  - If not DBERR\_SUCCESS, following actions are no longer executed
- **Executed after a status transition has happened**
  - Object is already in new status
- Secondary events
  - Executed within the same transaction
  - Executed with the same access rights as the primary events

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Set access rights to 'R' for up5 for parameter

```
FUNCTION SetAccessToUp5
  RETURN NUMBER IS
BEGIN
  UPDATE utscpa SET ar5='R'
  WHERE sc = UNAPIEV.P_SC
        AND pg = UNAPIEV.P_PG
        AND pgnode = UNAPIEV.P_PGNODE
        AND pa = UNAPIEV.P_PA
        AND panode = UNAPIEV.P_PANODE;
  IF SQL%ROWCOUNT = 0 THEN
    RETURN (UNAPIGEN.DBERR_GENFAIL);
  ELSE
    RETURN (UNAPIGEN.DBERR_SUCCESS);
  END IF;
END SetAccessToUp5;
```

## Transaction Handling

### Introduction

Avoid Get... functions

### Database

Event manager handles transaction control

### Database API

- No BeginTransaction() - EndTransaction()

### Life Cycles

No Rollback on failure of action

Never ignore the return code of an API

### Custom Functions

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## Fall Through in LC

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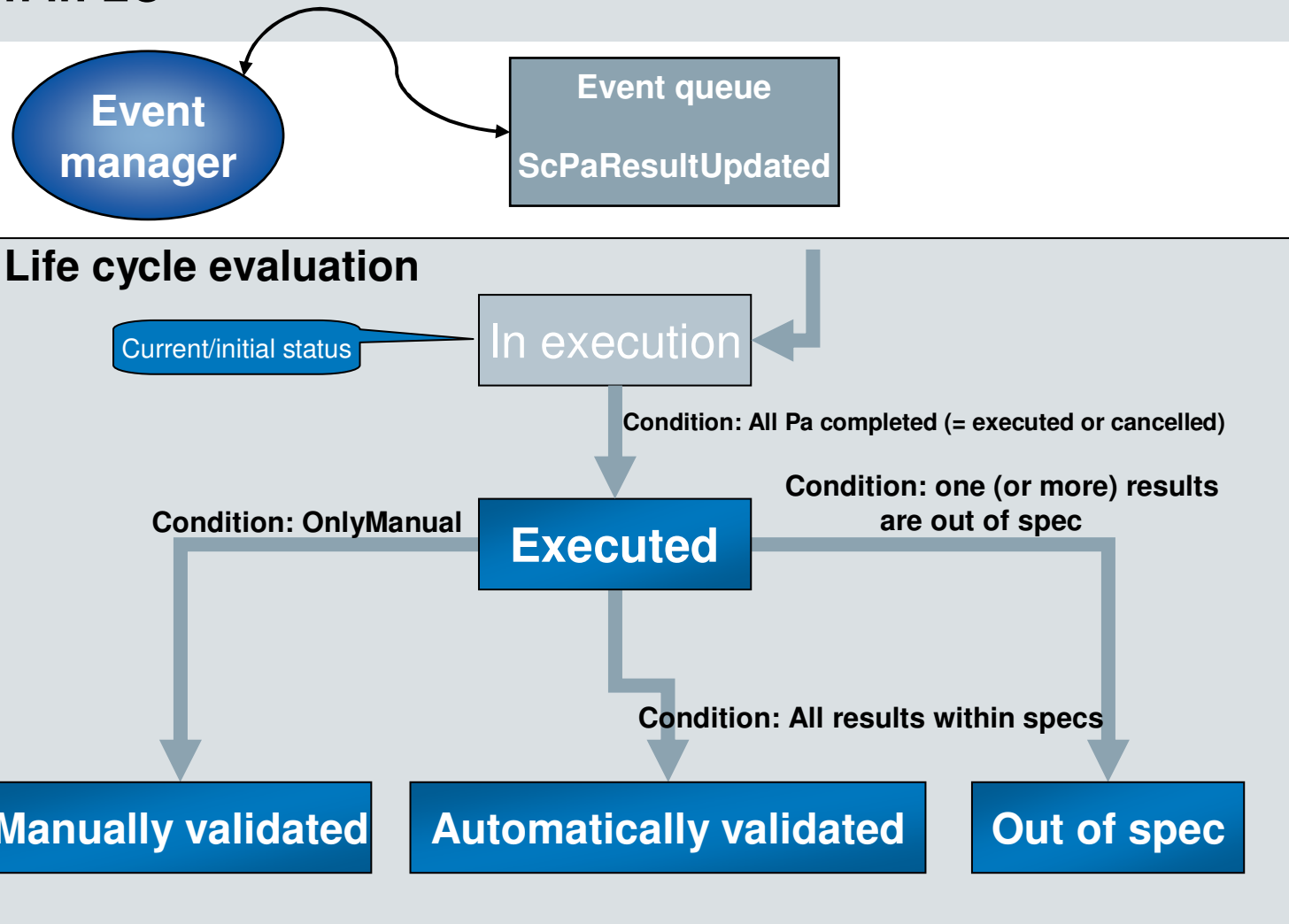
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# Insert Event

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```

    BOOL PaCompleted = TRUE;  -- we start optimistically
    BOOL AllResultsWithinSpecs = TRUE ;
    BOOL ResultsOutOfSpecs = FALSE ;
    FOR EACH pa IN pa_list_of_this_pg
        IF NOT ( pa.ss IN ("Executed", "Cancelled") ) THEN
            PaCompleted = FALSE ;
        END IF
        IF ( pa.value_f IS NULL ) OR ( pa.ss <> "Executed" )
THEN
            AllResultsWithinSpecs = FALSE ;
        ELSE IF pa.value_f is out of spec THEN
            ResultsOutOfSpecs = TRUE ;
            AllResultsWithinSpecs = FALSE ;
        END IF
    NEXT pa
    IF AllResultsWithinSpecs = TRUE THEN
        ev_details = "All results within specs"
        InsertEvent ( '<ThisAction>', UNAPIGEN.P_EVMGR_NAME,
            object_tp, object_id, object_lc,
            object_ss, ev_tp, ev_details, seq_nr ) ;
    ELSE IF ResultsOutOfSpecs = TRUE THEN
        ev_details = "One (or more) results are out of spec"
        InsertEvent ( '<ThisAction>', UNAPIGEN.P_EVMGR_NAME,
            object_tp, object_id, object_lc,
            object_ss, ev_tp, ev_details, seq_nr ) ;
    END IF

```

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## Access Rights

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- Initialized on object creation
- Additional Event on object creation
  - Life cycle assignment
  - Group key assignment
  - Initialization object access rights
- Logic in **UNACCESS**
- **InitObjectAccessRights**
  - For a new object
  - Only once (on object creation)
- **UpdateAccessRights**
  - For each status change of any existing object
  - Executed after life cycle evaluation
    - Before execution of actions!
- Define additional functions
  - **InheritObjectAccessRights**

## Authorization for LC Transition

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- The **UNACCESS.TransitionAuthorised** function is evaluated each time a Change...Status function is called for a life cycle transition where the authorised user has been set to **~DYNAMIC~**
- Package variables (similar to event manager variables)
  - **P\_LCTRUS\_REC**                      **utlcus record for this transition**
  - P\_OBJECT\_ID**                      **object name**
  - P\_OBJECT\_TP**                      **object type**
  - P\_LC**                                **life cycle**
  - P\_SS\_FROM**                        **from status**
  - P\_LC\_SS\_**                        **FROM life cycle ss\_from (can be different of**  
**P\_SS\_FROM when Default status is used)**
  - P\_SS\_TO**                            **target status**
  - P\_TR\_NO**                           **transition number**
  - P\_RQ**
  - P\_SC**
  - P\_PG**
  - P\_PGNODE**
  - ...



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- Group key assignment
  - Group key assignment rules
  - Inheritance at group key level
  - Inheritance at object level
- Assignment of a group key value
  - On object creation
- Package: **UNGKASSIGN**
- Return value:
  - Any value allowed

## Group Key Assignments (2)

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Logic:

- Check if event is relevant for the assignment to be done
- Load the list of group key values for the group key at hand (Get<Xx>GroupKey)
- Adjust this list to match the new assignments
- Save the list again using Save1<Xx>GroupKey

Access to UNAPIEV

- UNAPIEV.P\_EV\_REC
- Current group key assignment rule (UNAPIEV.P\_GKRULE\_REC)

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## Worklist Assignments

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Assignment of a group key value

- Depends on status in life cycle

Package: UNWLASSIGN

Return value

- Any value allowed

Access to UNAPIEV

- UNAPIEV.P\_EV\_REC
  - Full object key

Logic

- Define the new group key assignments to enter the method in the required worklists.
- Save the value list using Save1<Xx>GroupKey. To delete the entry, use this function with nr\_of\_rows = 0.

Access to UNAPIEV.P\_EV\_REC

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## Assignment Frequencies

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- Specific custom frequency
- Package: UNFREQ
- **ret\_val**:
  - DBERR\_SUCCESS      Assignment to be done
  - <else>              Assignment not to be done
- Evaluation on object creation

## Assignment Frequencies (2)

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### Example

- Assign if attribute present

```
FUNCTION AuBased RETURN NUMBER IS
...
BEGIN
    SELECT value
    FROM utstau
    WHERE st = l_st
    AND au = 'custom_freq'
    AND ROWNUM = 1;
EXCEPTION
WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN
    RETURN (UNAPIGEN.DBERR_GENFAIL) ;
END;
RETURN (UNAPIGEN.DBERR_SUCCESS) ;
```



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## Alarm Handling

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- Specific mechanism to handle the fact that a parameter result is out of a specification set
- Package: **UNALARM**
- Cf\_type: **paalarm**
- **Return value:**
  - Any value allowed

## Alarm Handling (2)

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### Syntax:

FUNCTION EvalAlarm

(a_sc	IN	VARCHAR2,	/* VC20_TYPE */
a_pg	IN	VARCHAR2,	/* VC20_TYPE */
a_pgnode	IN	NUMBER,	/* LONG_TYPE */
a_pa	IN	VARCHAR2,	/* VC20_TYPE */
a_panode	IN	NUMBER,	/* LONG_TYPE */
a_valid_specsa	IN	CHAR,	/* CHAR1_TYPE */
a_valid_specsb	IN	CHAR,	/* CHAR1_TYPE */
a_valid_specsc	IN	CHAR,	/* CHAR1_TYPE */
a_valid_limitsa	IN	CHAR,	/* CHAR1_TYPE */
a_valid_limitsb	IN	CHAR,	/* CHAR1_TYPE */
a_valid_limitsc	IN	CHAR,	/* CHAR1_TYPE */
a_valid_targeta	IN	CHAR,	/* CHAR1_TYPE */
a_valid_targetb	IN	CHAR,	/* CHAR1_TYPE */
a_valid_targetc	IN	CHAR)	/* CHAR1_TYPE */

RETURN NUMBER;

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## Parameter Calculations

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- Define a specific mechanism to calculate the parameter result out of the available method results.
- Package: UNCALC
- Syntax:

```

FUNCTION CalculationName
    (a_sc          IN          VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
      a_pg          IN          VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
      a_pgnode      IN          NUMBER,            /* LONG_TYPE */
      a_pa          IN          VARCHAR2,          /* VC20_TYPE */
      a_panode      IN          NUMBER,            /* LONG_TYPE */
      a_value_f      OUT        FLOAT,             /* FLOAT_TYPE */
      a_value_s      OUT        VARCHAR2)          /* VC40_TYPE */
RETURN NUMBER;

```

## Parameter Calculations (2)

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### Return code

- DBERR\_SUCCESS: result is calculated
  - OUT arguments will be saved as parameter result
- Otherwise: result not (yet) available
  - Nothing changed

## Parameter Calculations (3)

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### Example

```
FUNCTION CalcMethod
(...) RETURN NUMBER IS
BEGIN
    SELECT MAX(value_f)
    INTO a_value_f
    FROM utscme
    WHERE sc = a_sc
           AND pg = a_pg
           AND pgnode = a_pgnode
           AND pa = a_pg
           AND panode = a_panode;
    a_value_s := a_value_f;

    RETURN (UNAPIGEN.DBERR_SUCCESS) ;
END CalcMethod;
```



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# Custom Functions

**Client Event Manager**



# Distributed Event Manager

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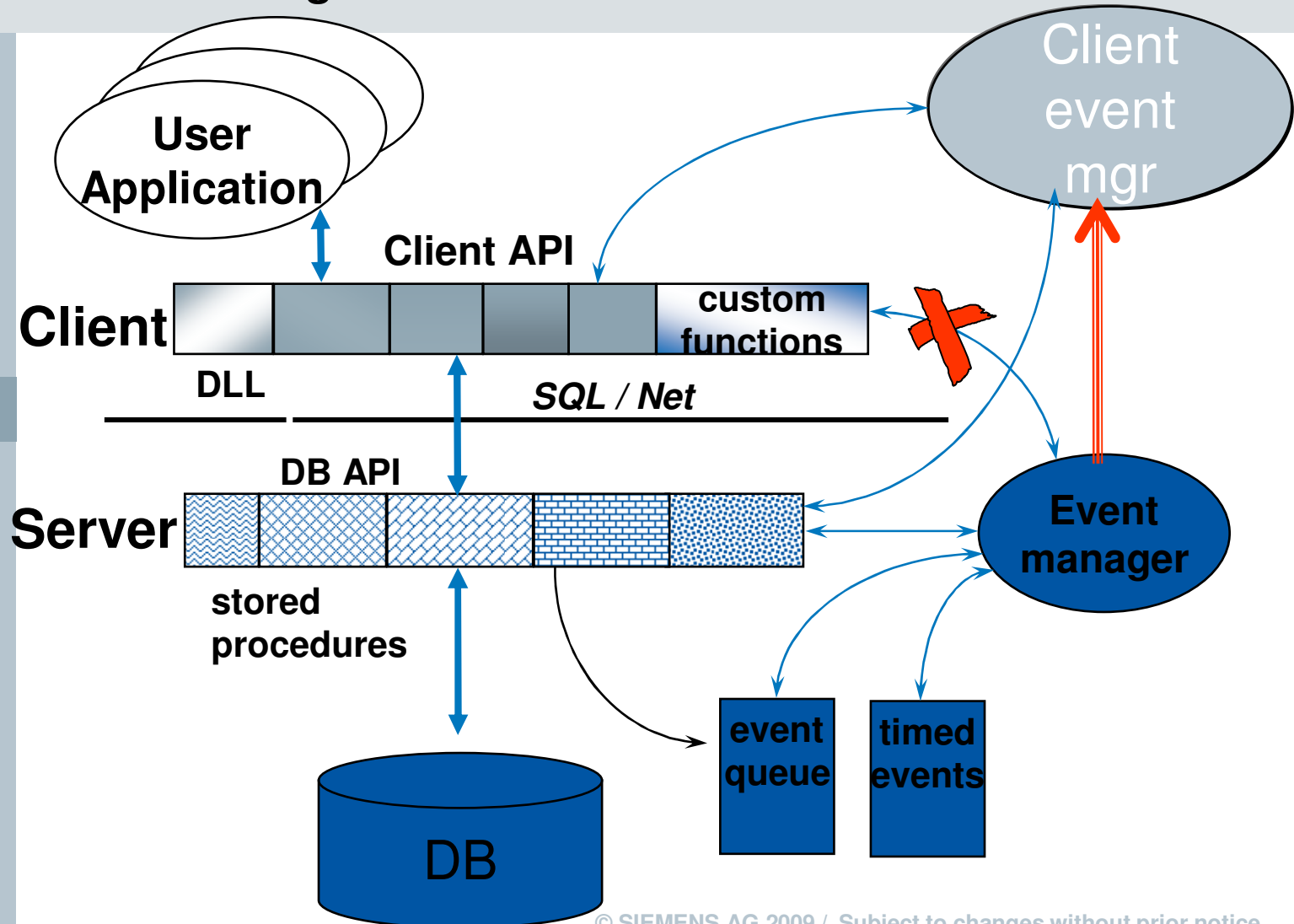
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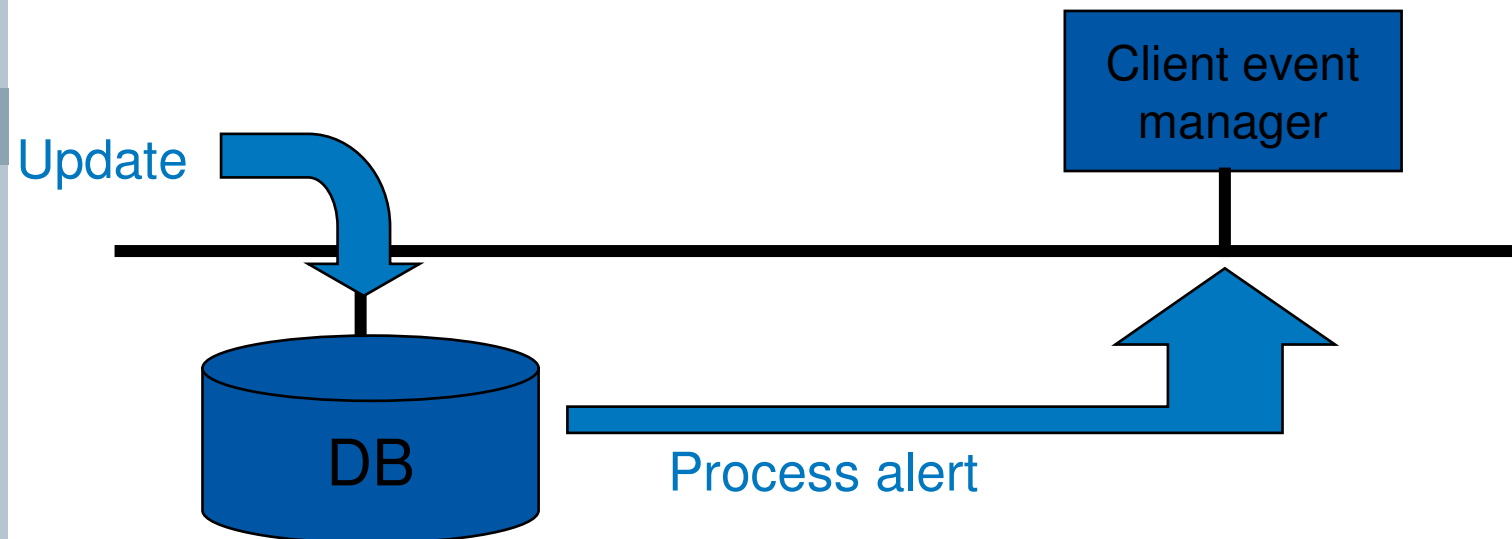
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### Client Event Manager

- DB event manager sends alert to client event manager
- Remains “idle” while waiting



## Example

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Event queue

ScPaResultUpdated

### Sample Life cycle evaluation

A: PrintScLabel()

Created

Executed

C: result(s) is(are) out of spec

A: AlertSend ('ExecuteCmdOnClient', '<any cmd>')

Out of spec

DB  
Event  
manager

Open  
Calculate  
Save

Client  
Event  
manager

Execute

Unicf.DLL

```
CF_PrintScLabel(...)  
{  
    ...  
}
```

Execute

<any cmd>

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## Update Method Sheet

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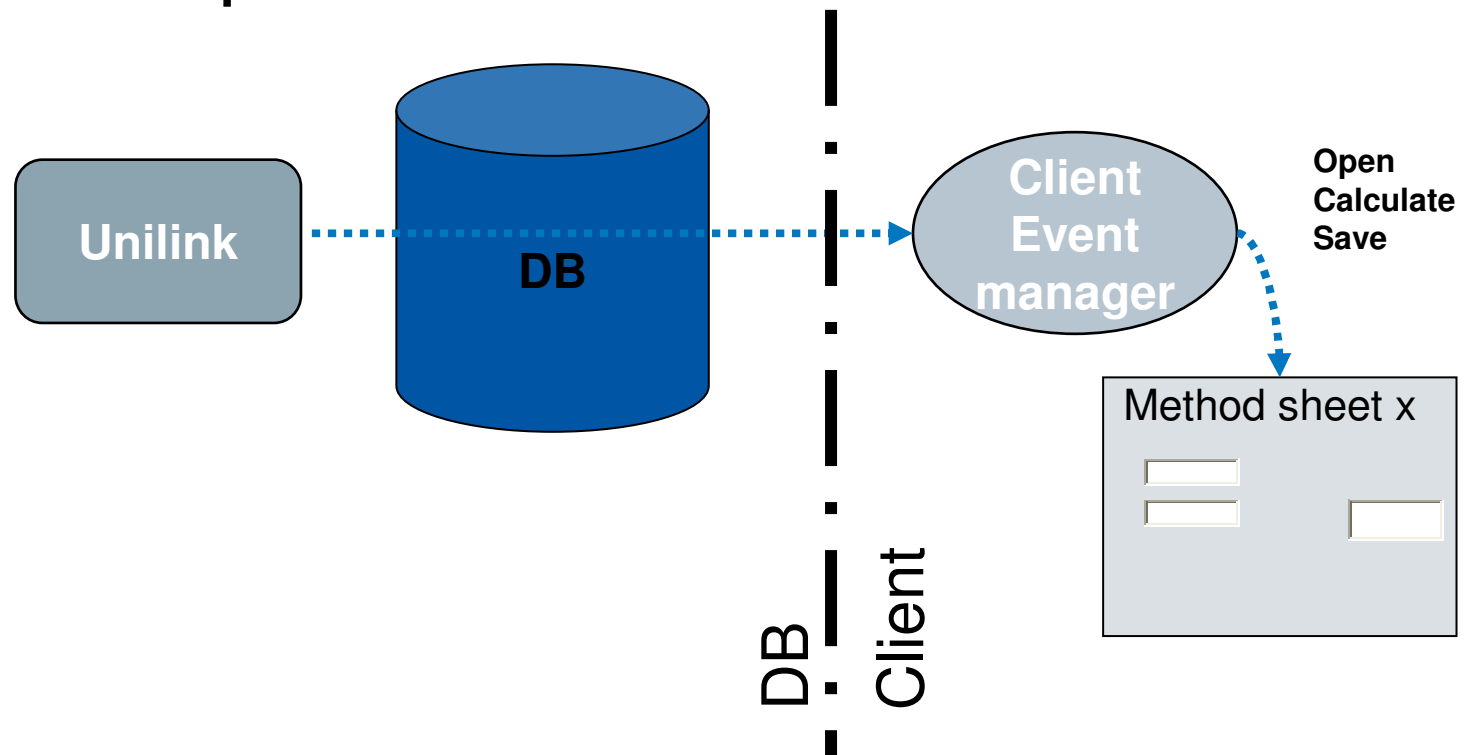
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### ■ Alert EvaluateMeDetails Example:



# Print Label

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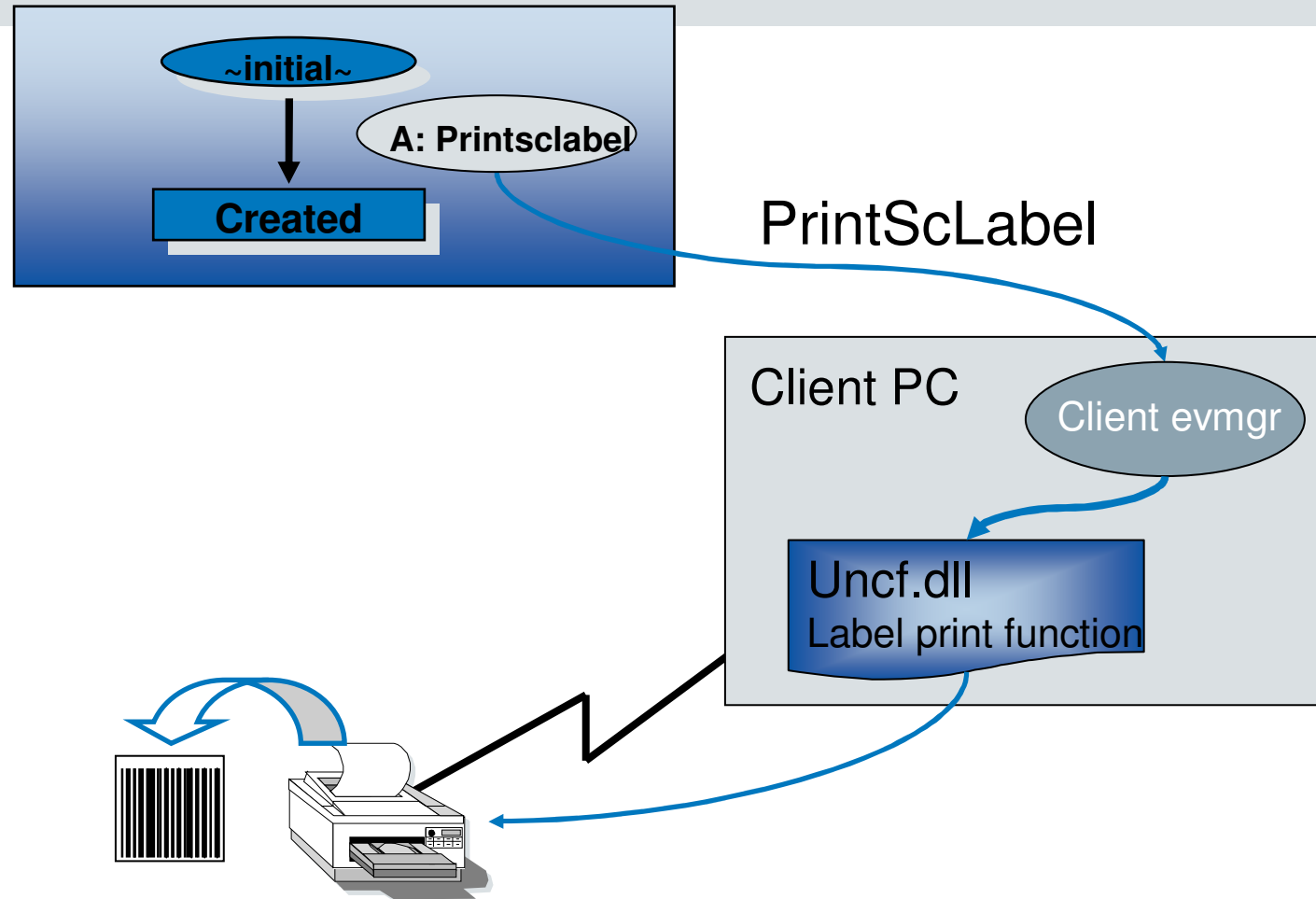
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## Execute Command

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### Syntax

```
L_retcode := UNAPIEV.Alertsend ('ExecuteCmdOnClient', 'l_alert_data')
```

```
- L_alert_data := 'cmd as in DOS box'
```

#### ■ Example

```
- l_alert_data := 'busobj -user ~BOUSER~ -pass ~BOPASS~ -script 'Distribute_sc' -nologo
```

# Client Event Manager - Mechanism

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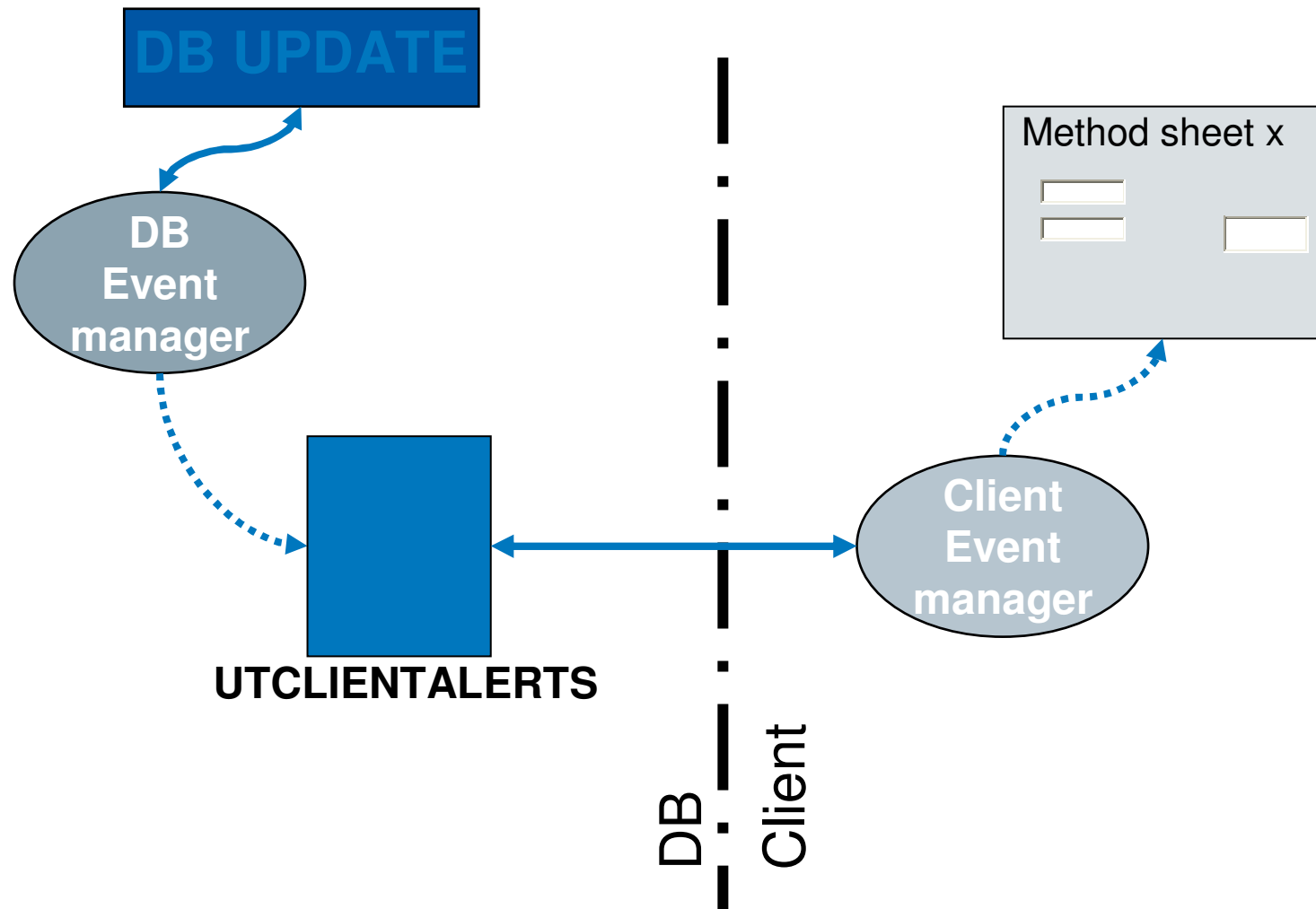
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## Running the Client Event Manager

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### Clevtmgr.exe

- Runs on 1 machine in the net
- Automatically minimized on startup

### Settings

- In Registry
  - SqlError = False (not TRUE)
  - TimerInterval = 1000
- In system settings
  - Client\_evmgr\_used = Yes



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### Error Logging

- unerror.log
- In directory of Clevtmgr.exe

### KeepDBConnectionOpen

- Client event manager keeps on running in case of missing DB



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# Connecting Instruments

## Overview

# Open System through Client/Server

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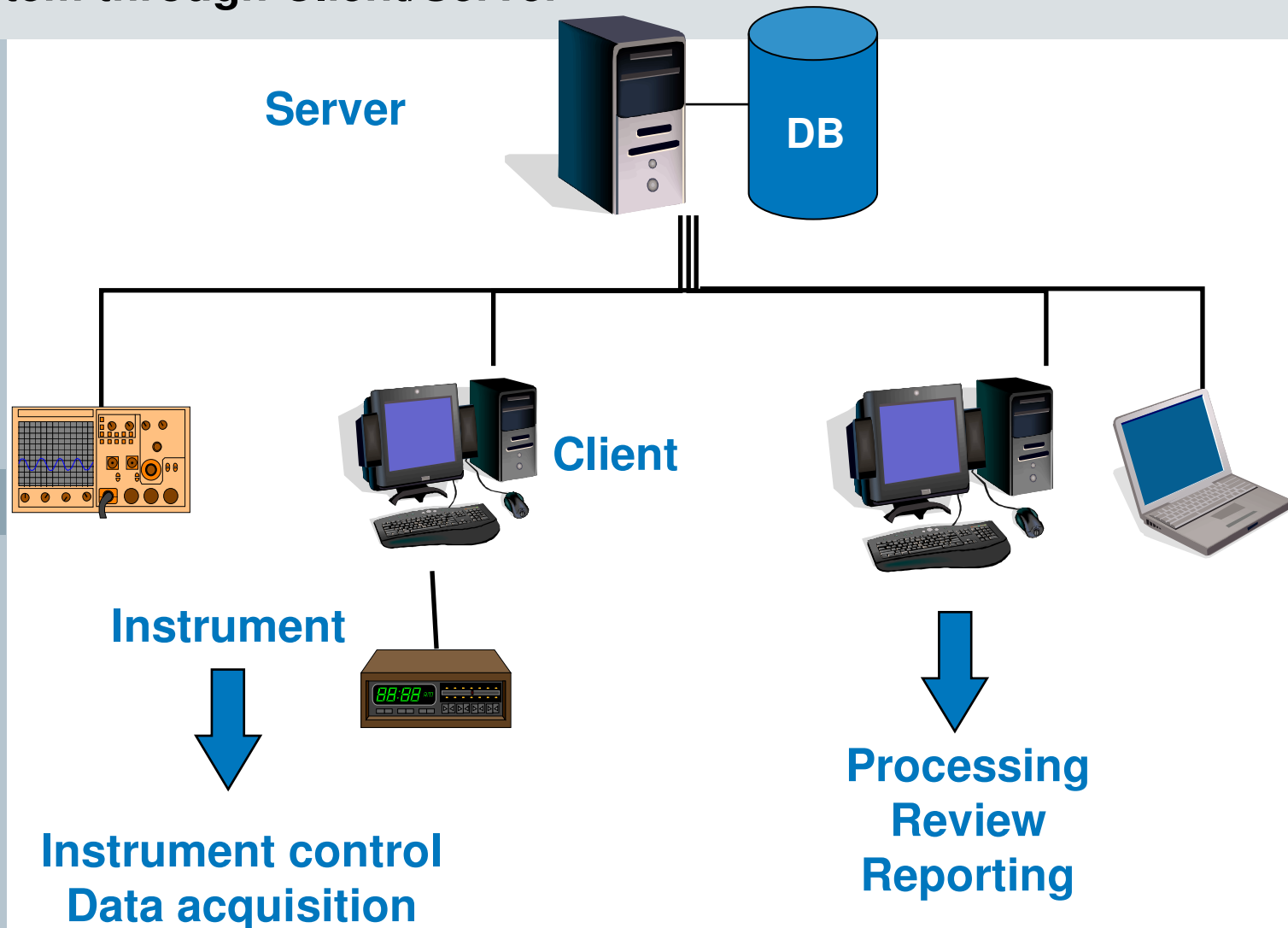
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## Advantages of Instrument Connections

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Instrument connections lead to

- More reliable results



Quality Improvement

- Less manual labour



Cost Reduction

## 3 Different Types of Instrument Connections

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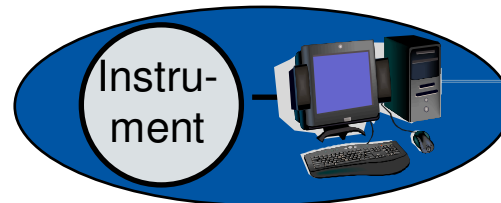
- Instruments with output on RS-232 or printer port



RS-232



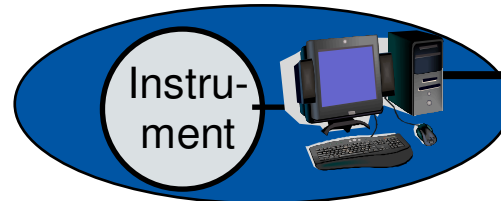
- Instruments that deliver files
  - on a PC not connected to the network



RS-232



- on a PC connected to the network



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## On Server Side - Unilink

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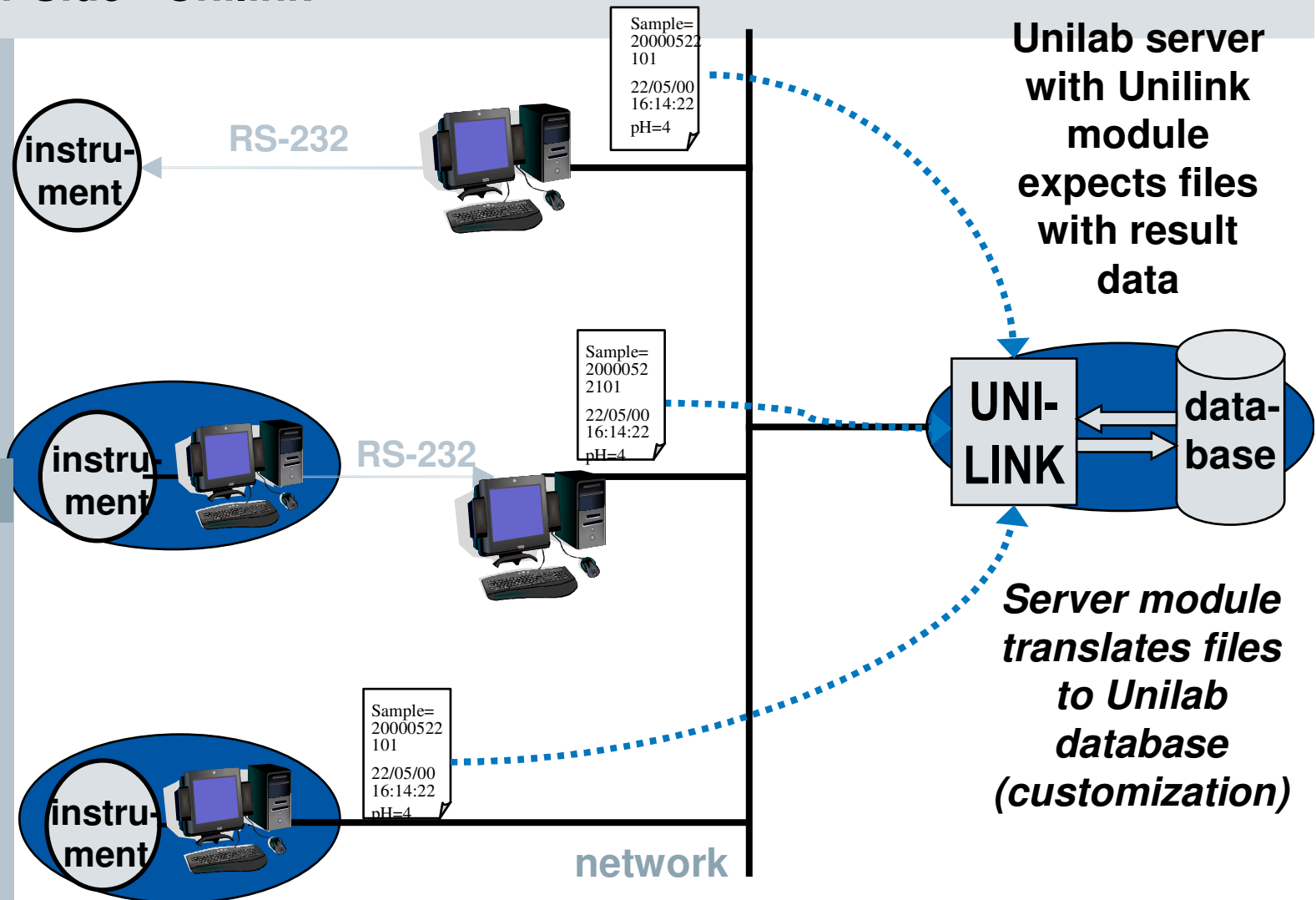
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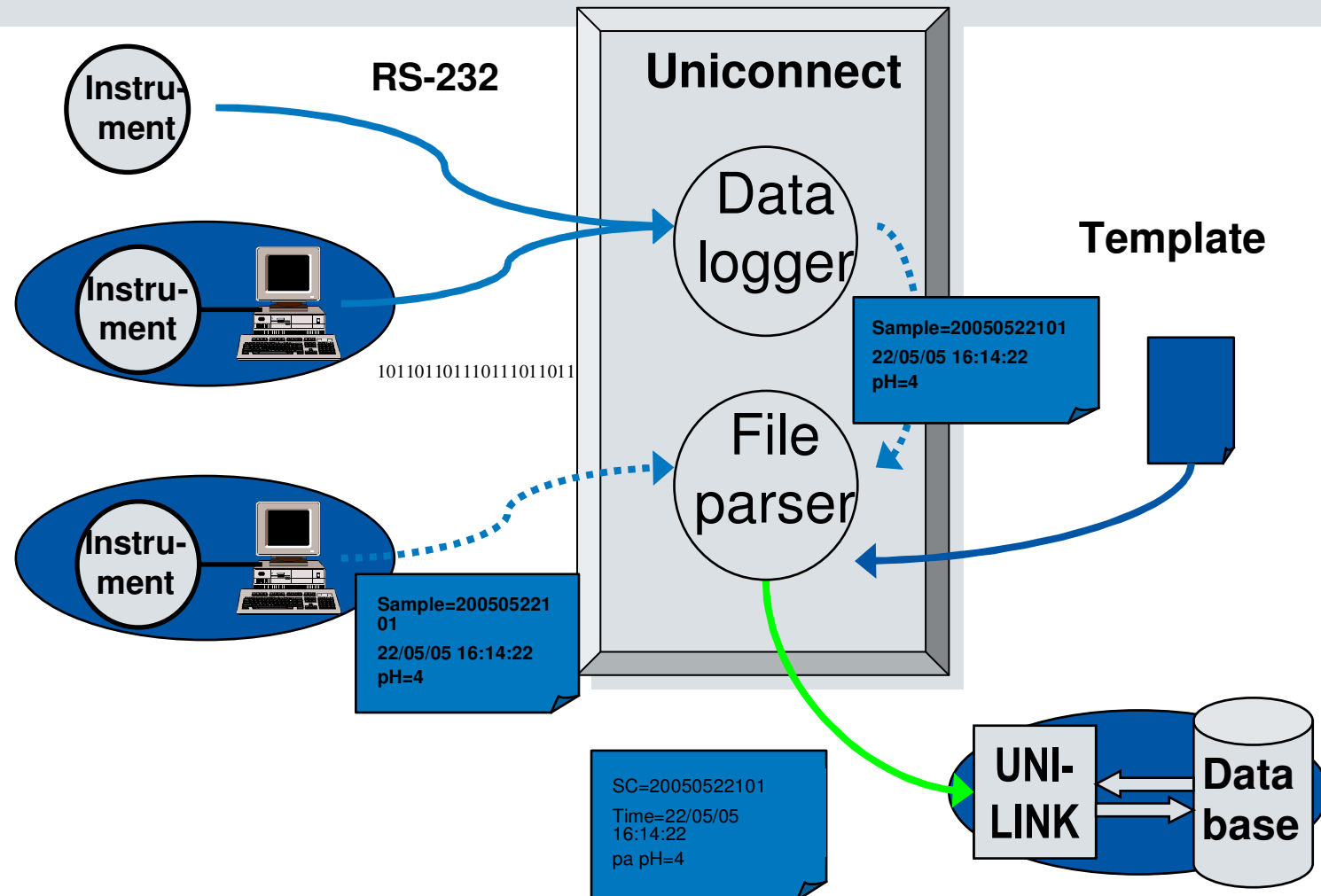
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### ■ To method sheet

#### ■ Interactive

■ pH probe, balance,...

#### ■ Connections using C++ custom function

#### ■ Save to DB using Simatic IT Unilab functionality

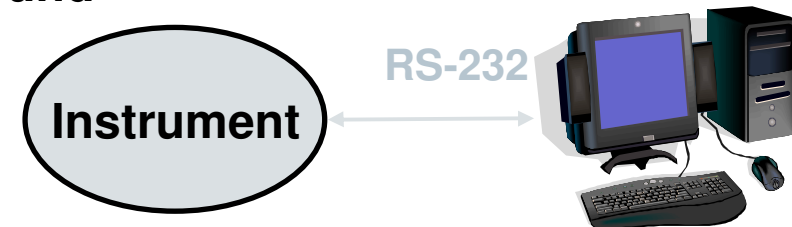


### ■ To PC

#### ■ No interaction from user required

#### ■ Processing in background

#### ■ Uniconnect - Unilink





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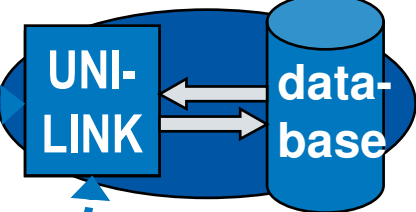
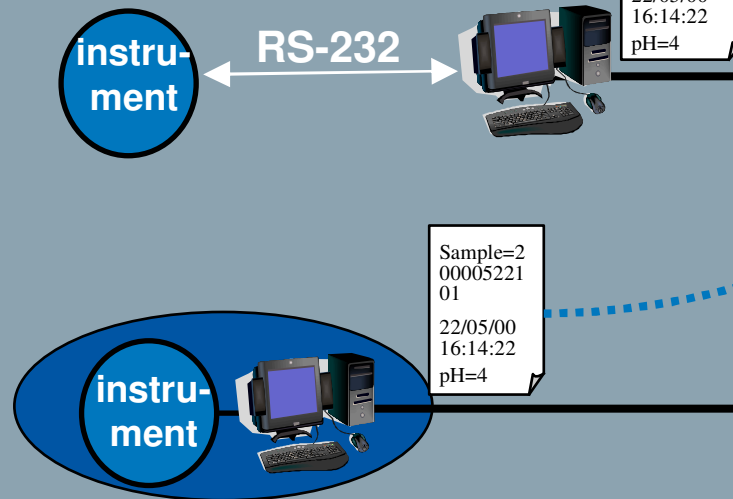
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## C++ Custom Function



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**Point-to-point connections**

## Point-to-Point Connection from Method Sheet

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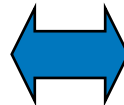
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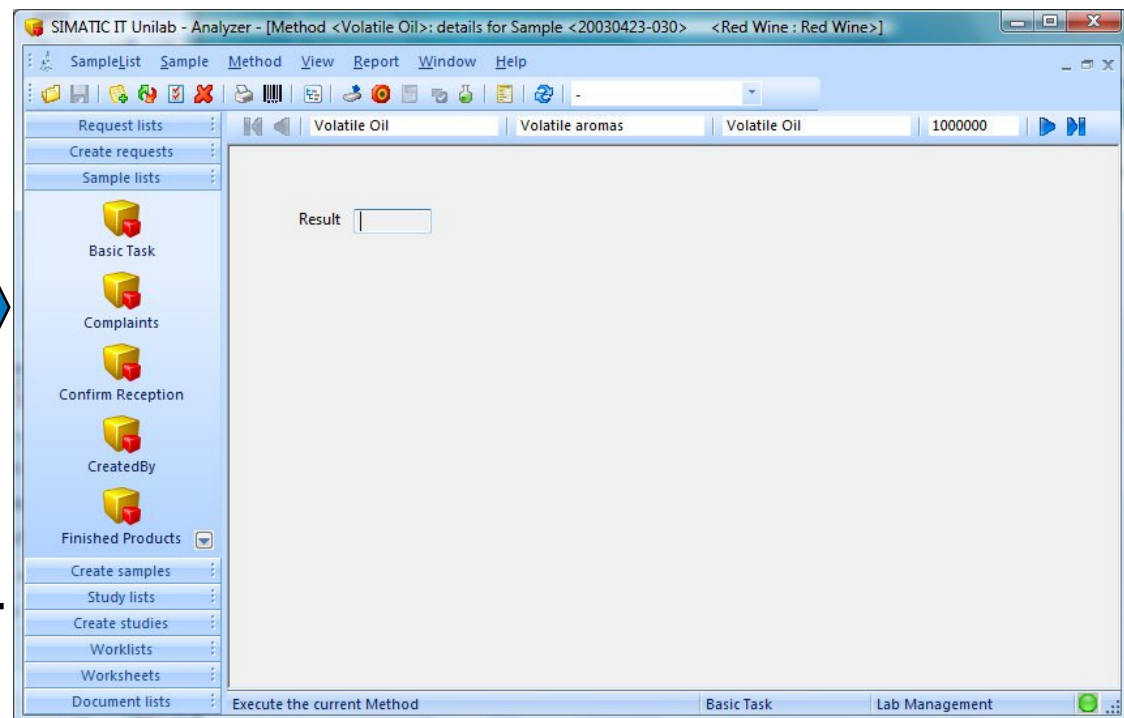
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**Connection  
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## Setup

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- C++ custom functions for instrument connection
  - In CF\_Measure( ) function
- utcf
  - No entry needed in utcf
  - Possibility to specify additional interface parameters

```
CF_Measure (CMece* mece, const char* EqName,  
            const char* customFunctionName)
```

## Setup (2)

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Unilab - Define Equipment - [Equipment <HH>]

Equipment Intervention Constants Types View Window Help

Name: HH Status: In Editing

Description: HH Life cycle: Equipment System LC

Laboratory: -

Identification Equipment Constants Measurement Ranges Intervention Communication Equipment Types

Communication Driver: UNICONNECT

	Name	Value
1	Auto_start	0
2	Baud_rate	
3	Buffer_size	
4	Client_id	
5	Data_bits	
6	Data_source	FILE
7	Dir_err	C:\Users\unilab\Desktop\Uniconnect\Error
8	Dir_in	C:\Users\unilab\Desktop\Uniconnect\Input
9	Dir_log	C:\Users\unilab\Desktop\Uniconnect\Log
10	Dir_out	C:\Users\unilab\Desktop\Uniconnect\Output
11	Err_email	
12	Err_file	error.txt
13	File_prefix	
14	In_file_type	*
15	Intermed_folder	C:\Users\unilab\Desktop\Uniconnect\Inspection

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## Connecting Instruments

### Purpose

- Front end module for Unilink
  - Client software + Unilink configuration
- Instruments producing ASCII file or sending ASCII characters via RS232

### Environment

- One dedicated PC
- Simultaneously on multiple clients
  - Spread of workload



# Architecture

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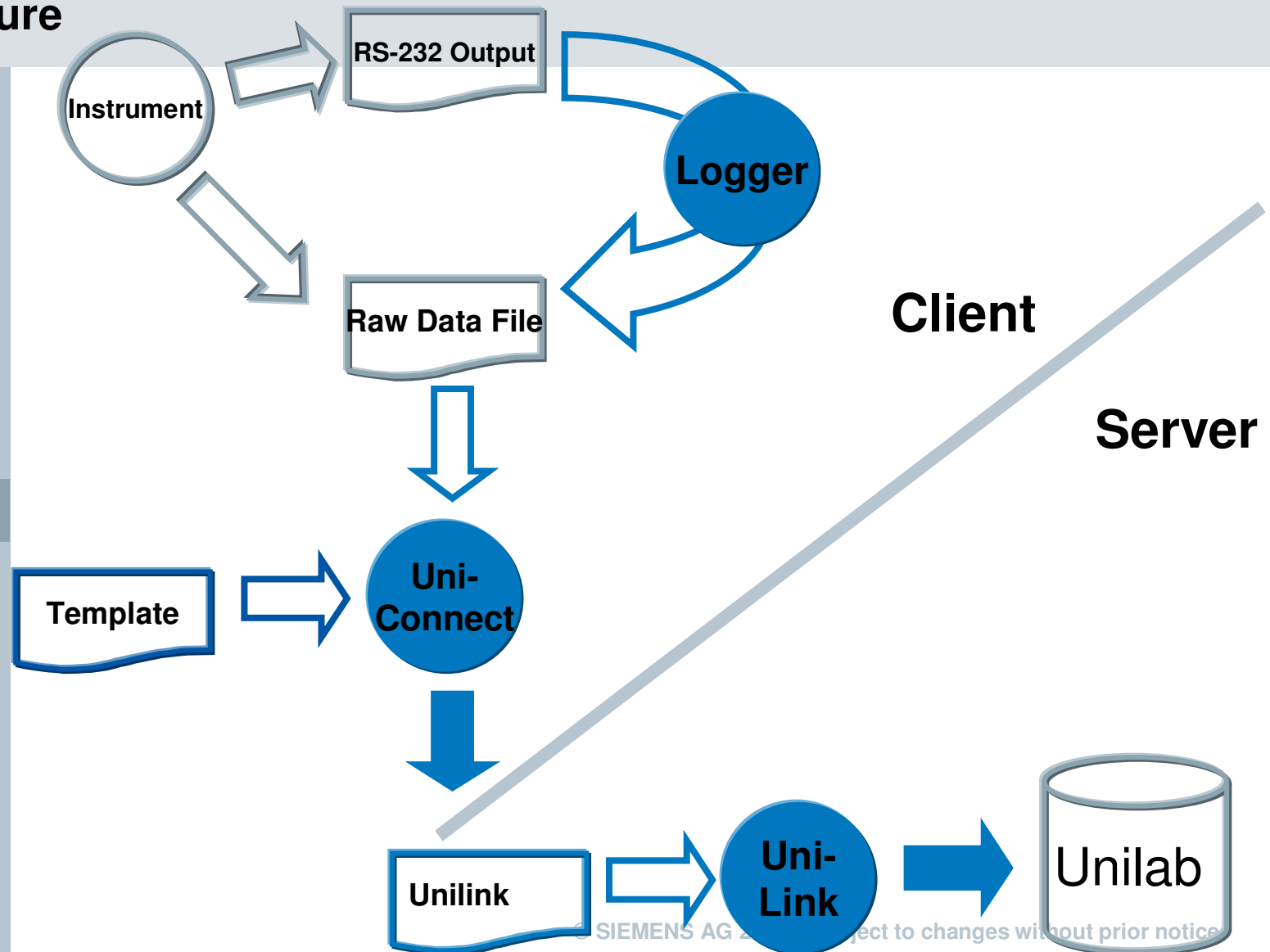
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Configuration window

- Setup of equipment
- Stored in the database

Execution client

- Performs operational connections
- Runs as background job

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## Uniconnect configuration in the database

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Connection to the database is required:

- At start-up
- At log-off
- When making changes to the configuration options

Retrieves required information from database and then continues working without any database connection

Following Uniconnect configuration information is retrieved from the database:

- Instrument list
- Communication settings of each instrument
- Lookup tables

# Logon procedure – Functional Access Rights

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Functional Access Rights		Tasks	Preferences
Applications	Inherit from		
Analyzer	Default		
Database	None		
Define Address	Default		
Define Equipment	Default		
Define Group Key	Default		
Define Layout	Default		
Define Life Cycle	None		
Define Protocol	None		
Define Request Type	None		
Define Sample Type	None		
Define Task	Default		
Define Unique Code Mask	Default		
Define User Profile	Default		
Document Management	Default		
Internet application	Default		
Remote Archive Definition	Default		
Request Management	None		
Sample Management	None		
Study Management	Default		
Uniconnect	None		
Worklist Management	Default		
Worksheet Management	None		

User management

User authorization

Simatic IT Unilab LogOn

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User Name:

Password:

DB-Server:

OK Cancel Help

## Information stored locally after authorization check

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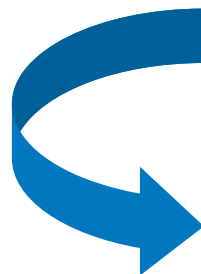
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The following information is downloaded from the DB and stored locally:

- List of authorized users but connection is needed to logoff
- Functional Access Rights to change the instrument's properties (configuration)
- Instrument list
- Communication settings of each instrument
- Lookup tables



**Then the database connection closes and  
Uniconnect operates independently**

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The image shows a Windows-style dialog box titled "Simatic IT Unilab LogOn". The header area has a blue background with the "simatic IT" logo (a blue sphere with a computer monitor) and the text "Unilab 6.4" and "Laboratory Information Management System". Below this, it says "Copyright © 2009 SIEMENS AG". The main area is white and contains three input fields: "User Name:" with a text box, "Password:" with a text box, and "DB-Server" with a dropdown menu. At the bottom, there are three buttons: "OK", "Cancel", and "Help".

- Same user that started Uniconnect?
- User has Functional Access Rights to start or stop Uniconnect?

## Execution Client

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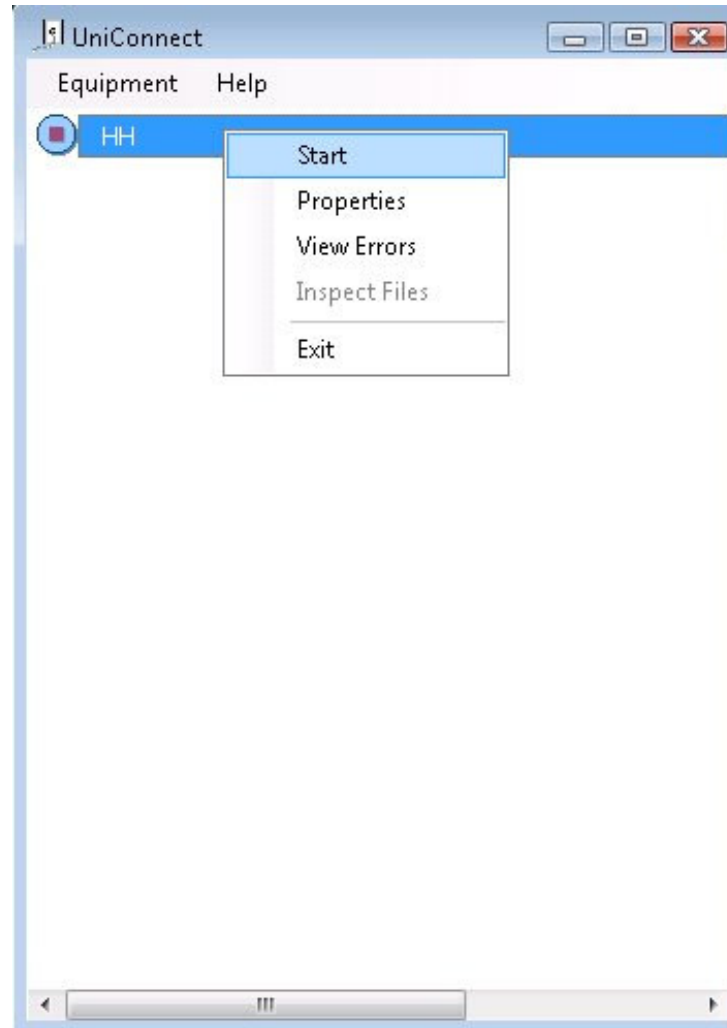
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- Start/stop connection
- Change configuration (if allowed)
- View error status
- Inspect files

Local to 1 PC !



# List of instruments

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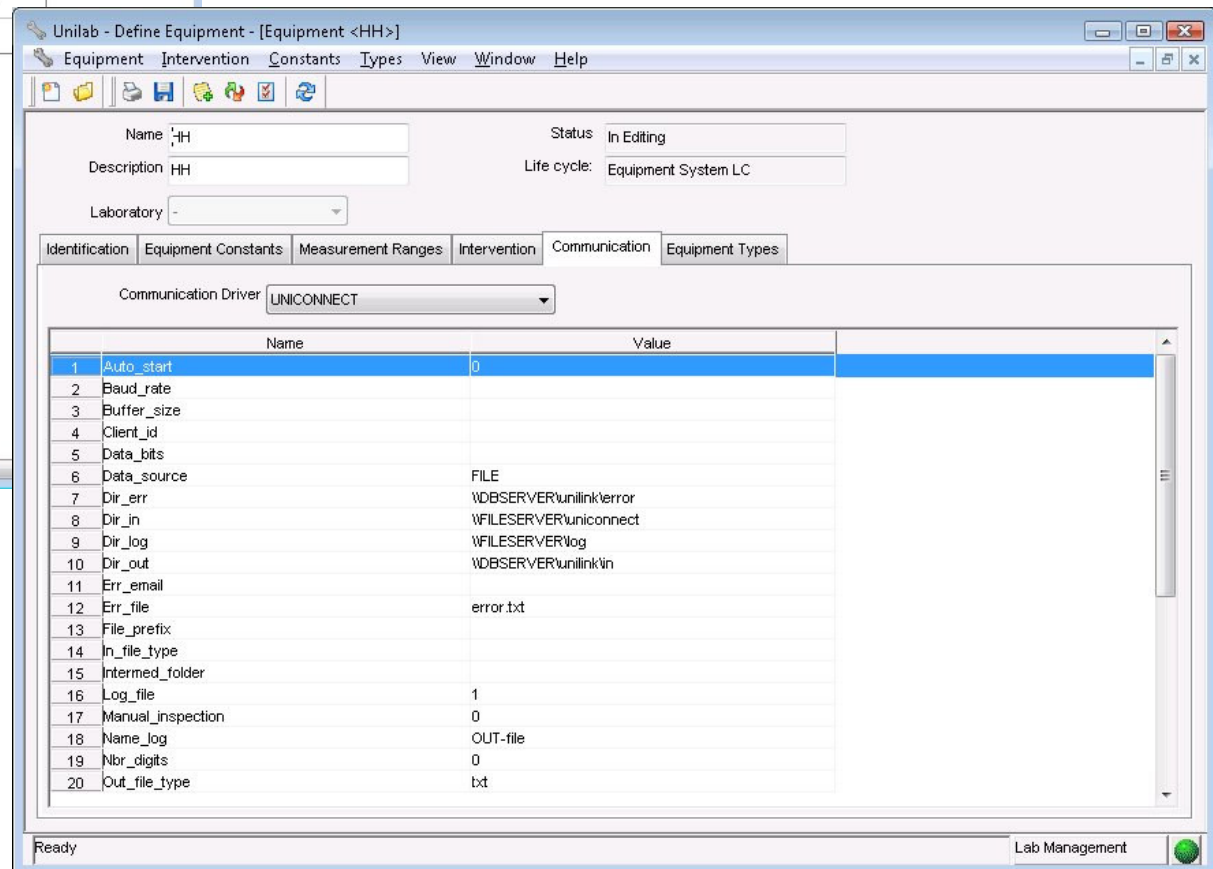
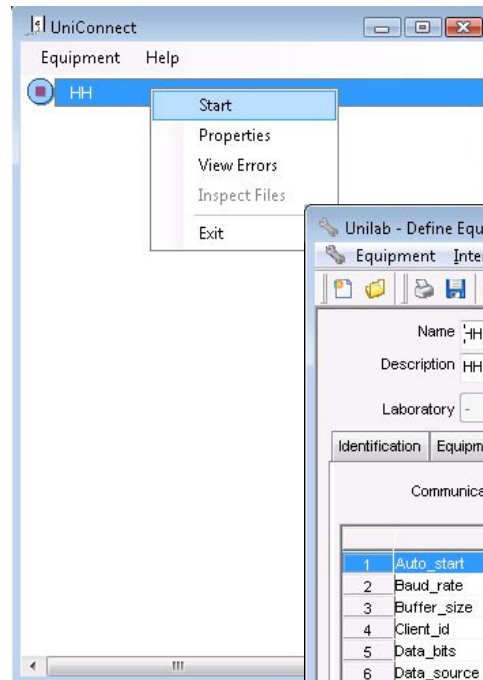
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The list of available instruments depends on the protocol chosen in the “Define Equipment” application



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**Instrument is not running/not started**



**Instrument is running**



**Processing error occurred**

- Instrument is still running
- Check error file



**Configuration error occurred**

- Instrument is stopped
- Check error file

# Processing

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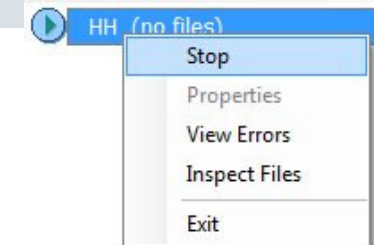
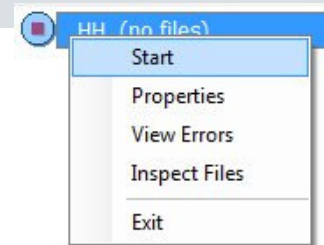
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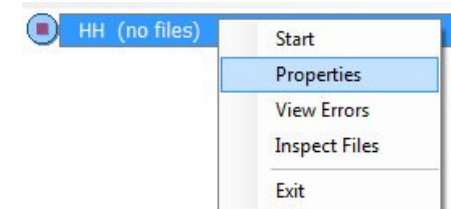
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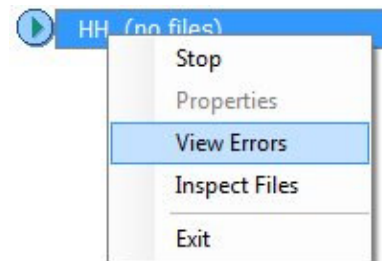
- Start/Stop equipment



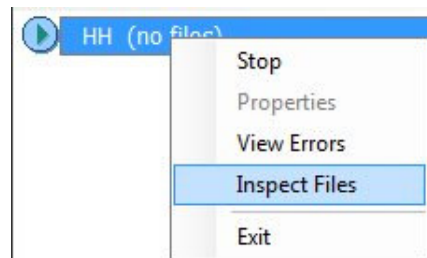
- Properties – Configuration (if allowed)



- View error file



- Inspect files



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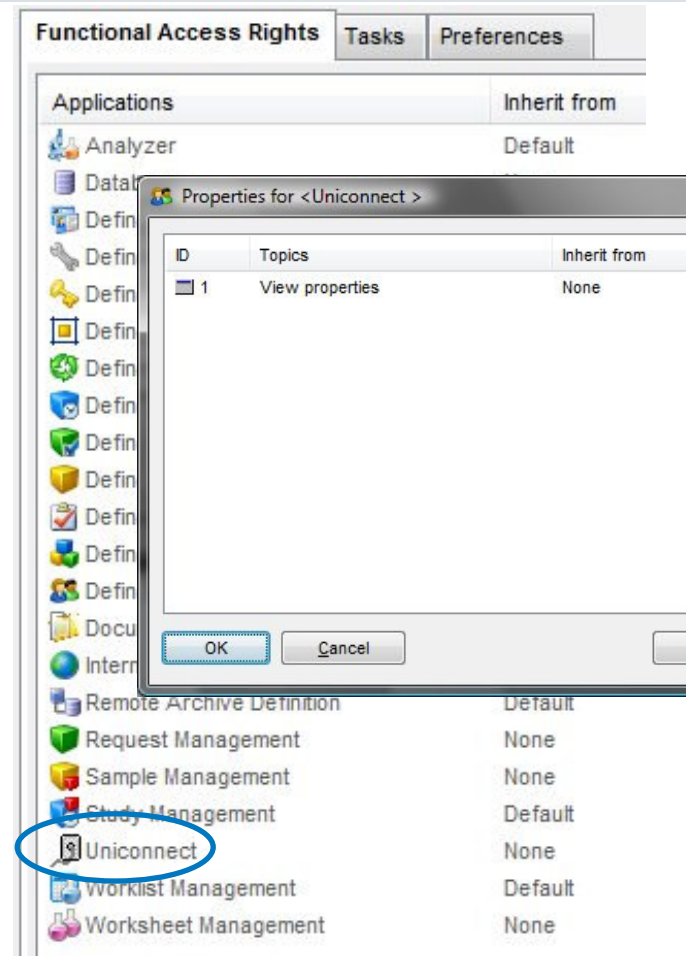
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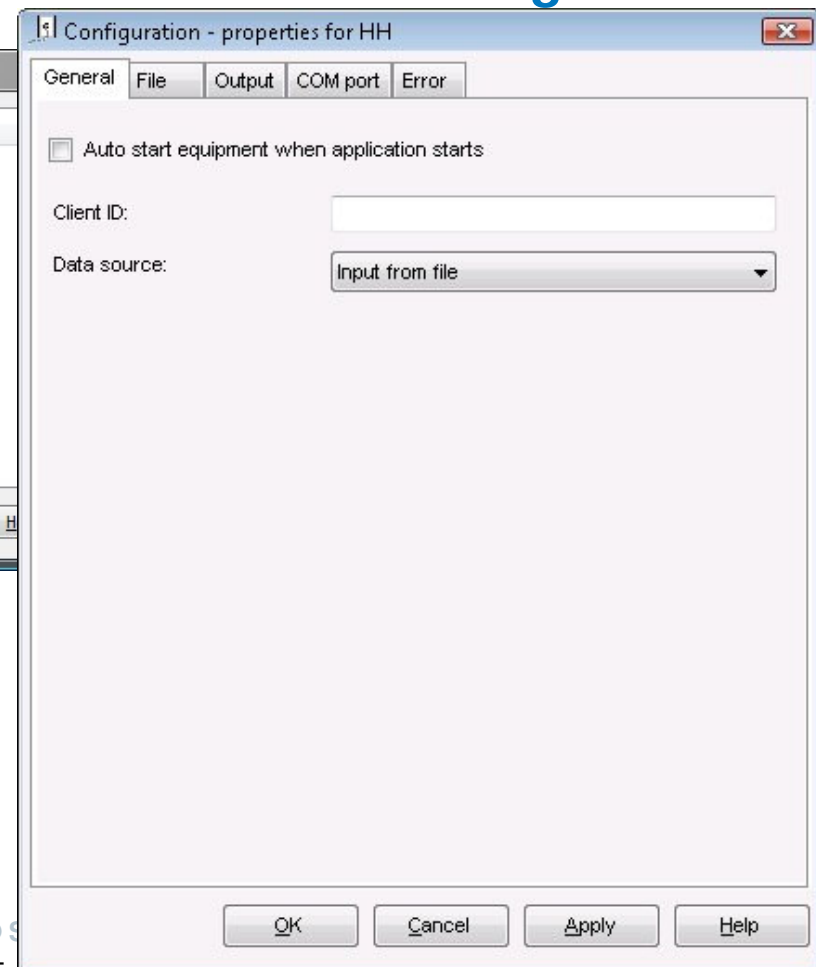
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## Configuration



## User management

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## Directory structure

- **IN**: Raw Data Files
  - **OUT**: Unilink file
  - **ERROR**: Raw Data Files in case of error
  - **LOG**: Copy of Raw Data Files
  - **TEMP**: Temporary folder for post-processing
  - **INTERMEDIATE**: Intermediate folder for manual inspection
- Configurable per instrument
  - Can be on different machines

Setup is stored in the database

## Input from COM Port

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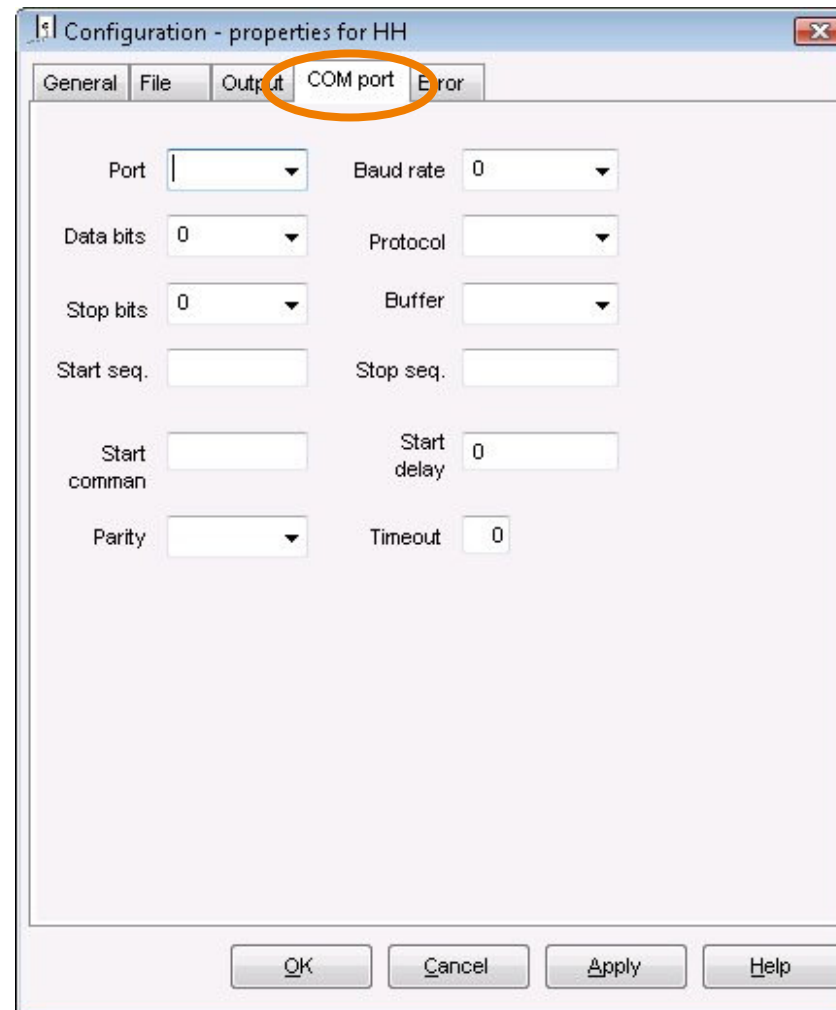
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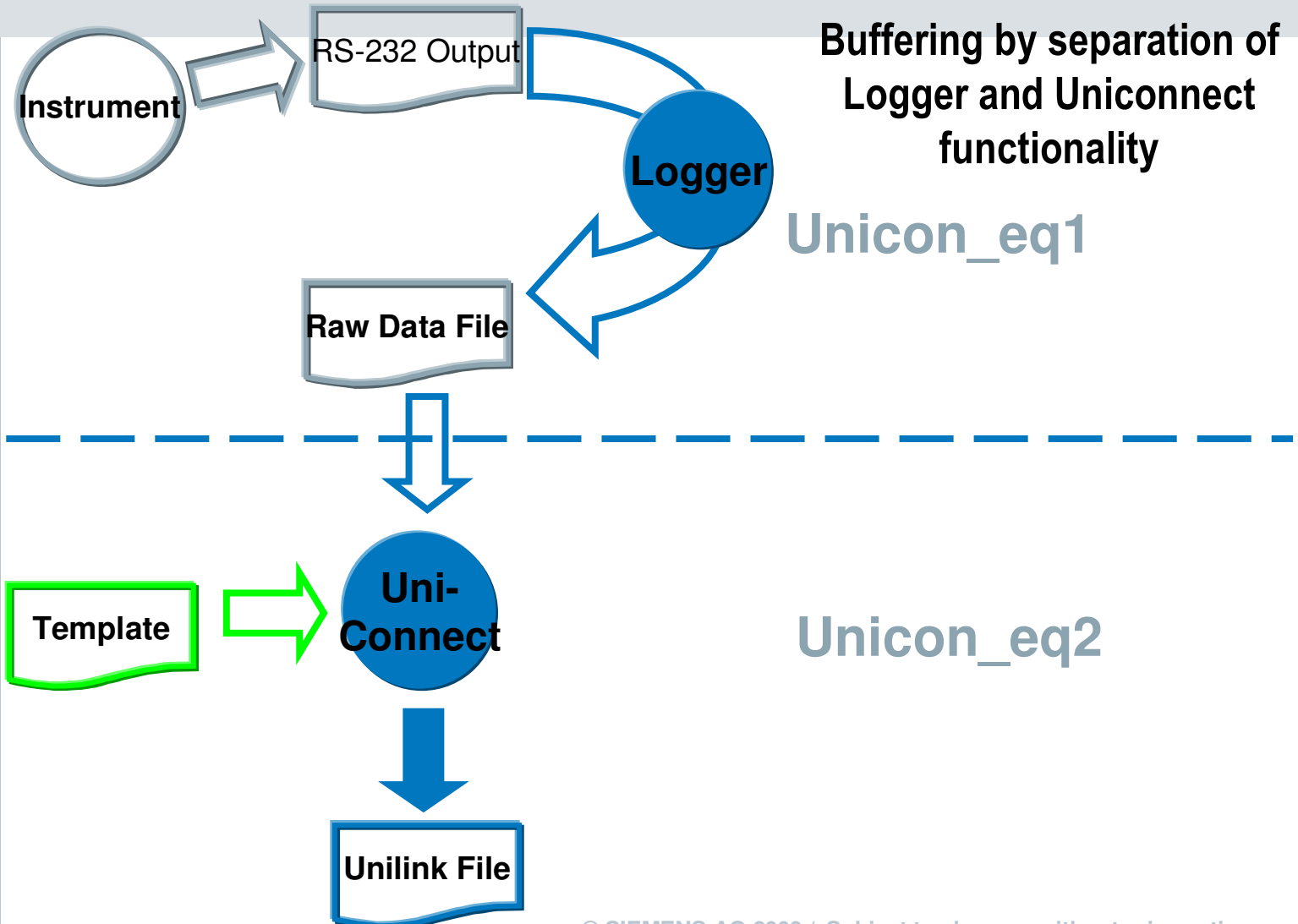
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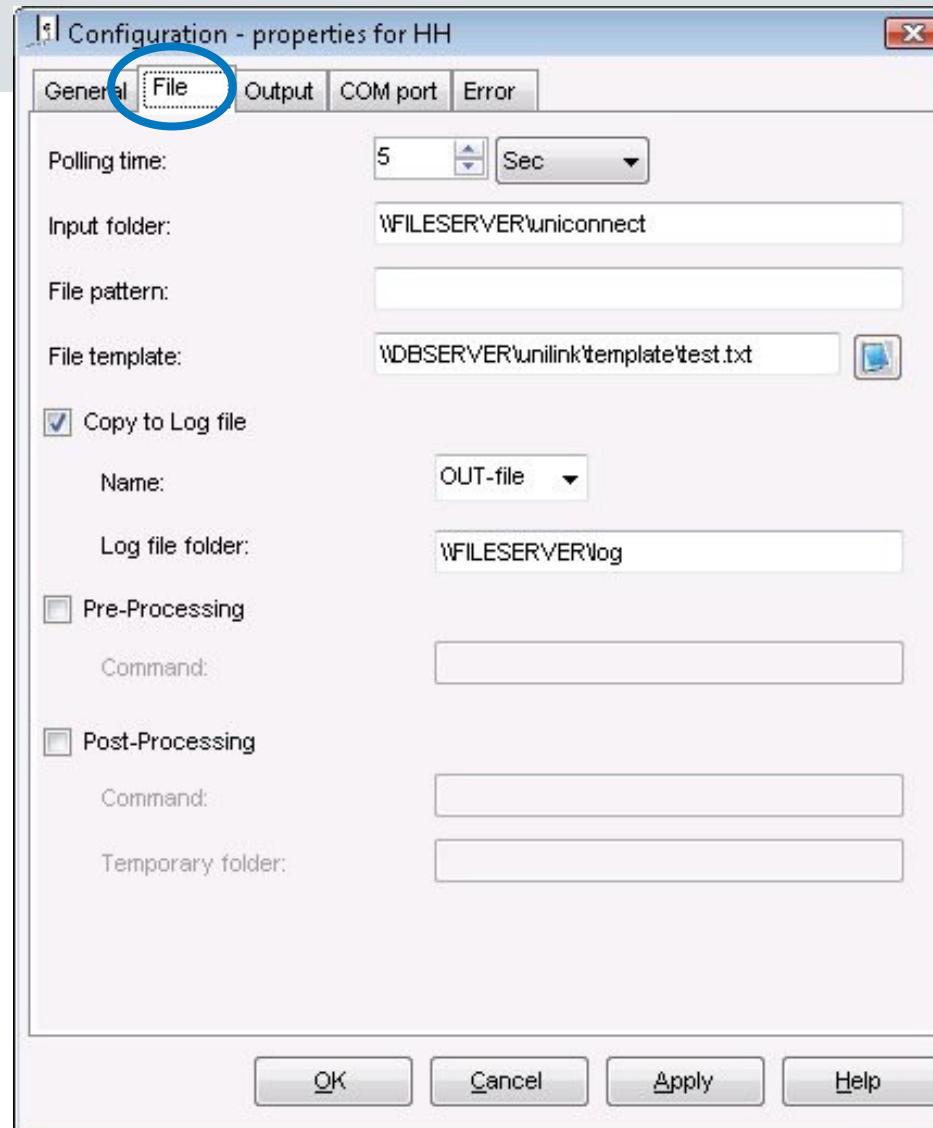
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## Output Files

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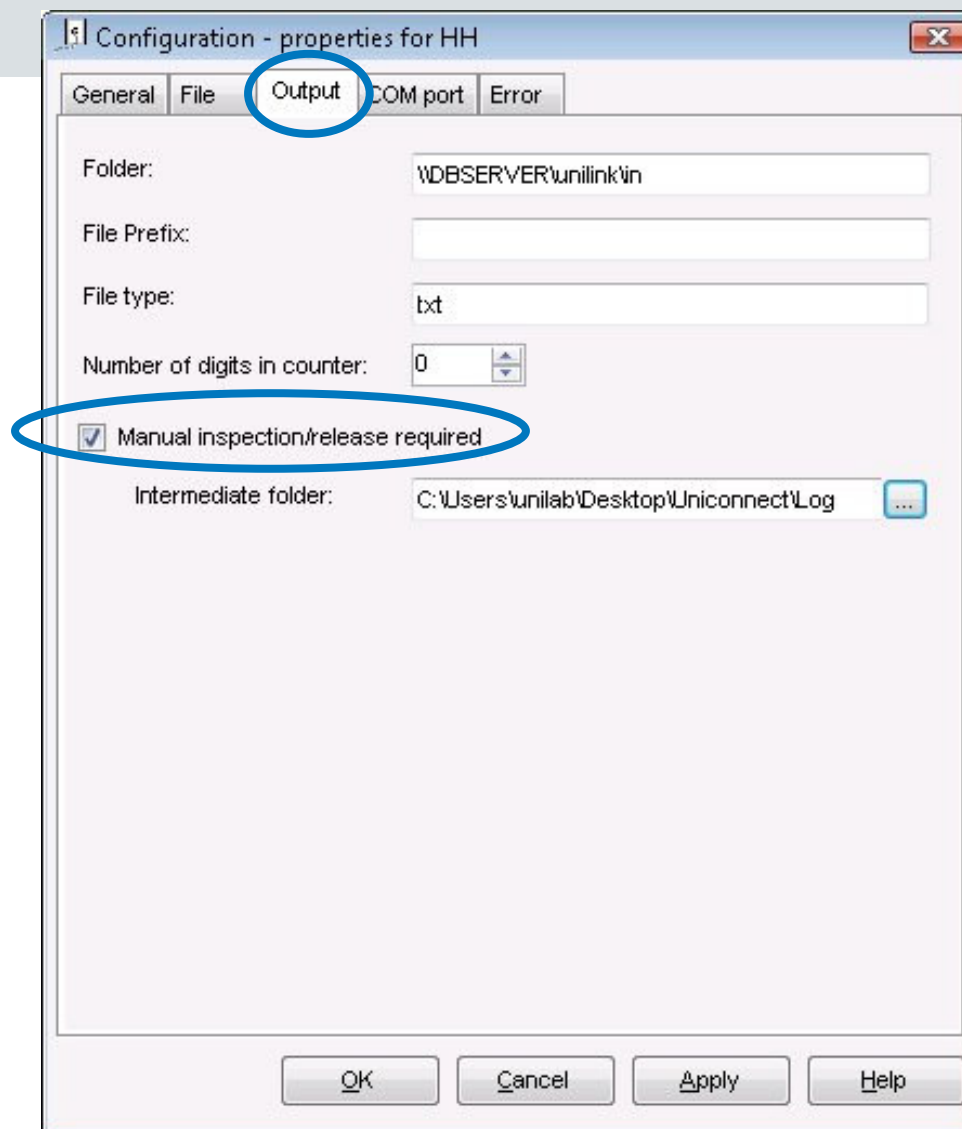
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## Manual inspection / release required

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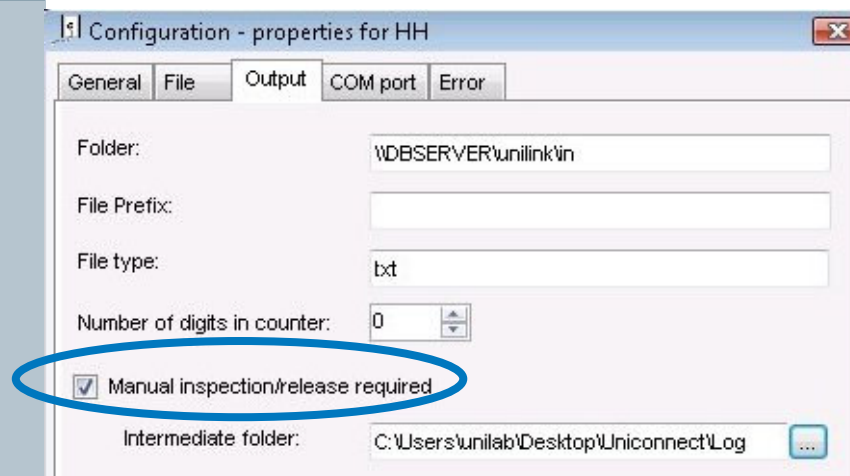
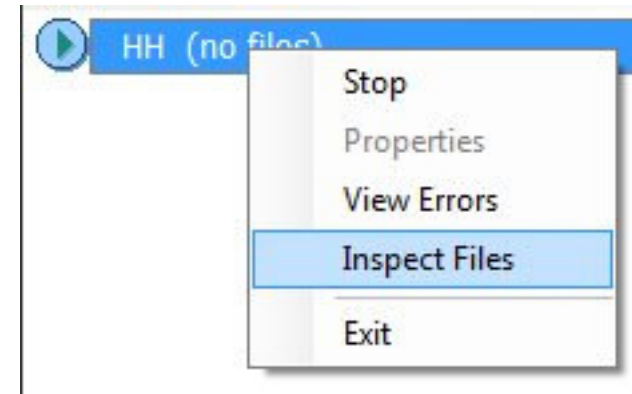
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Inspect manually  
the output files



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## Inspect Files dialog

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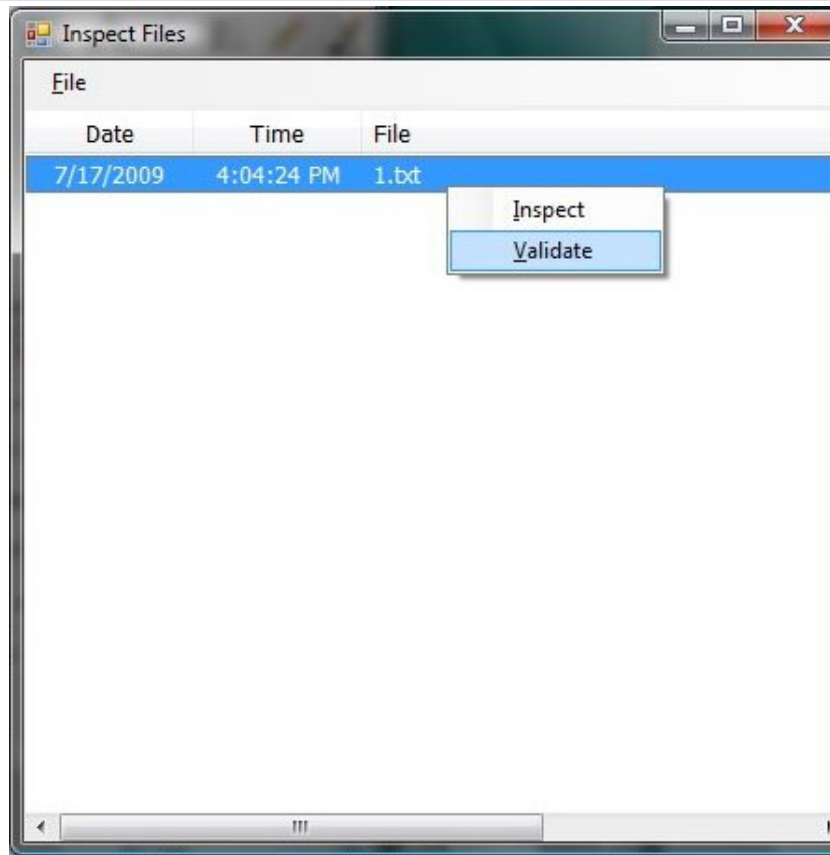
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**Inspect:** opens the file

**Validate:** moves the file to the output directory

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### General error file

- Application errors/warnings
- Location defined in the registry

### Equipment specific error file

- Processing and configuration errors for the instrument
  - Review from Exec main screen
  - 29/03/2005 14:31:02 - Folder <> not found
  - 05/04/2005 08:10:40 - Invalid COM-port specified
  - 22/04/2005 14:32:59 - Invalid line/position specified

### E-mail address (per equipment)

- Error messages sent by e-mail
- MAPI based (Microsoft Exchange / Outlook)

## Template File

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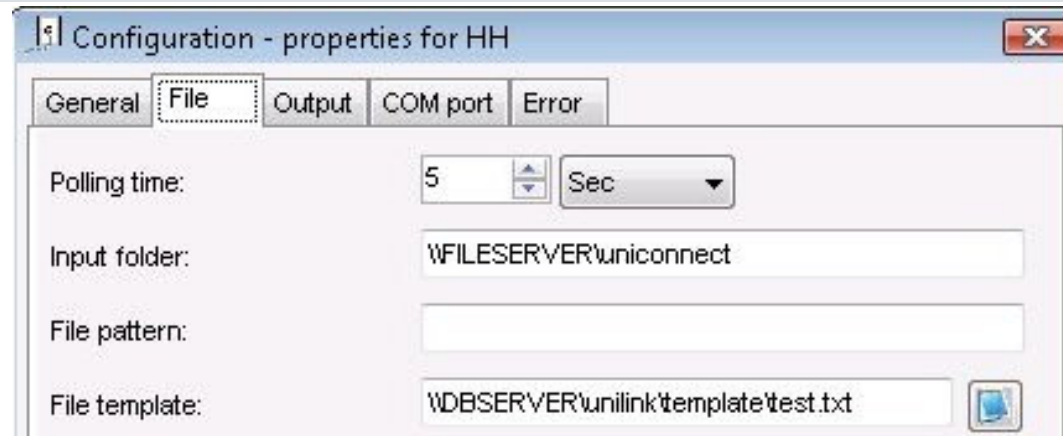
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**Specify the template file**

**How must the raw data file be converted into an output file?**

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ASCII file

- Reflects Output File Format
- Contains specific notations about where to insert data from Raw Data File

Contains all instrument specific info, e.g.

Output File

```
[sc]
sc=20050520-001
[pa]
pa=pH
value_f=5.7
```

Template

```
[sc]
sc=~1:1-20~
[pa]
pa=pH
value_f=~2:1-10~
```

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### Paragraphs in INI notation

- Each paragraph = 1 logical transaction
- Allowed sections:
  - [sc], [pg], [pa], [me], [cell], [cell table], [ic], [ii]
  - [BeginTransaction], [EndTransaction]
  - [CloseParameterGroup]

Any setting remains valid until overruled

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### Specifying the sample code

- Exactly
  - `sc=<sample_code>`
- Searching for the sample
  - `sc.<std_prop>=<std_prop_value>`
  - `scgk.<gk>=<gkvalue>`
    - E.g.: `sc.st=Milk cream`
    - `scgk.factory=Ninove`
    - `scgk.packaging=bottle`
  - `sc=<SELECT-statement>`

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### Modifying sample properties

- SaveSample is called automatically
  - <std\_prop>=<std\_prop\_value>

### Creating samples

- create\_sc=Y|N|W
- <std\_prop>=<std\_prop\_value>

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- Same rules as for [sc] section apply
- Save...Result optimisation is implemented
- Settings remain valid across sections!
  - E.g. sample code specified in [sc] section remains valid across [pa] section
  - No difference between

```
[sc]
sc=20070520-001
[pa]
pa=pH
value_f=5.7
```

```
[pa]
sc=20070520-001
pa=pH
value_f=5.7
```

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- allow\_reanalysis=Y|N
- pg[x] notation (Object location Syntax)
  - pg=Chemical
    - First parameter group Chemical
  - pg[2]=Chemical
    - Second parameter group Chemical
  - pg[]=Chemical
    - First not executed group Chemical

## Special Sections

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- **Transaction handling**
  - 1 section = 1 transaction
  - Overrule with [BeginTransaction] and [EndTransaction]
  - No nested transactions are possible
  - Synchronous vs. Asynch. Handling
- [CloseParameterGroup]
  - Insert Event 'ClosePg' for the current parameter group

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## Simple data fields

- E.g. take sample code from line 1 (columns 1 to 20), parameter result is on line 5 on position 5-15
- Text types
  - Static (defined in the Template)
    - `sc=20070902-001`
  - Partially copied from the Raw Data file
    - `sc=~1:1-20~`
  - Partially processed, based on data from Raw Data File (custom format function)
    - `sampling_date=~FormatDate('2:1-30')~`



## Dynamic Text Assignment

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*~LineNumber:StartPosition-EndPosition~*

- Allows exact positioning of text to use
- If input is surrounded by literal text, use:
  - PositionBefore('literal', 'occurrence')
  - PositionAfter('literal', 'occurrence')

### Raw Data File

20070520-001

BA123

	Results	
Measure1	5.7	

### Template

```
[sc]
sc=~1:1-20~
[pa]
pa=pH
value_f=~5:PositionAfter('\|', '1')
-PositionBefore('\|', '2')~
```

## Using Custom Functions

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*~CustomFunctionName('Argument1', ..., 'ArgumentN')~*

To allow flexibility

- Concatenating strings, re-formatting dates, translation of identifiers,...
- Use separate configuration tables

Development in custom VB-DLL's

- Generic
- Lab specific

```
[pa]
sc=~ConvertSampleCode('1:1-20')~
pa=pH
value_f=~5:1-20~
exec_start_date=~ConvertDate('07/5/20')~
```

## Variable Lists of Data

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### Raw data file

20070520-001		
BA123		
	Results	
-----+-----+		
Na	57	
K	100	
C1	230	

### Dynamic list of values

- Defined as Block
- Use the individual lines for output file or only perform custom function on the whole block

[BlockStart] and [BlockEnd]

## Variable Lists of Data (2)

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## Start of Block

```
[blockstart name=BlockName firstline=FirstLine  
lastline=LastLine]
```

For FirstLine or LastLine, use:

- A fixed line number
  - E.g. firstline=5
- A string identifier
  - E.g. firstline=Equals(~:1-5~, '-----')
- A custom function (returns number)
  - E.g. firstline=FindMyResults()

## PreviousLine and NextLine

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20070520-001  
BA123

	Results
Na	57
K	100
Cl	230

```
[blockstart name=Myblock
previousline=Equals(~:1-5~, '-----')]
```

Na	57
K	100
Cl	230

```
[blockstart name=Myblock
firstline= ~1~]
```

20070520-001  
BA123

	Results
Na	57
K	100
Cl	230

15:10:30, Process by JR

```
[blockstart name=Myblock
previousline=Equals(~:1-5~, '-----')
nextline=Equals(~:1-5~, '-----')]
```

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20070520-001

BA123

	Results	
Na	57	
K	100	
Cl	230	
15:10:30, Process by JR		

```
[blockstart name=Myblock
  previousline=Equals(~:1-5~, '-----')
  nextline=~MyEndCheck()~]
```

20070520-001

BA123

	Results	
p1	57	
p2	100	
p3	230	
15:10:30, Process by JR		

```
[blockstart name=Myblock
  previousline=Equals(~:1-5~, '-----')
  lastline=Count(3)]
```

## Data from a Block

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All statements between [blockstart] and [blockend] are repeated for each line of the block

Line indication:

- Use 'current line'
  - E.g. pa=~:1-10~
- Specify relative line number
  - E.g. sc=~MyBlock+3:5-20~

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20070520-001

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	Results
-----+	-----+
Na	57
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Cl	230

## Raw Data File

## Template

```
[sc]
sc=~1:1-20~
[blockstart name=MyBlock previousline=Equals(~:1-5~, `-----`)]
  [pa]
  pa=~:1-10~
  value_s=~:12-24~
[blockend]
```



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20070520-001

BA123

	Results
Na	57
K	100
Cl	230

Raw Data File

Template (only sum of components is required)

```
[sc]
sc=~1:1-20~
[blockstart name=MyBlock previousline=Equals(~:1-5~, `-----`)]
[blockend]
pa=Ions
value_s=~MyCalculateSum(MyBlock)~
```

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Multiple blocks are allowed in 1 file

No nesting of blocks

SkipLines:

- Skip a number of lines, e.g.
  - ~SkipLines(3):10-PositionBefore('-', '4')~

SetLine:

- Move the line pointer to the specified line, e.g.
  - ~SetLine(10)~

## Templates - Conditional Evaluation

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- Enable selection and switching between different templates

- At run-time

- Depending on the data that needs to be processed

- Instruments generate different output formats

- Define separate “variant” templates

- Conditional evaluation statements

- Template needs to support programming logic - VBScript

## Conditional Evaluation - Example

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Eq-template X

```
~DispatchTemplate(Equals(~3:1-5~, '-----') , templX-A, templX-B)~
```

templX-A

...

templX-B

...

If the 3th line consists of at least  
5 consecutive minus signs the "A"  
variant template is used.

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## Template with Visual Basic statements - Example

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```

File Edit Format Help
# if (FetchText(2,1, 3) = "GC2") then
~FetchText(13,1,0)~
[BeginTransaction]
[sc]
st=Waste Water
create_sc=Y
[pg]
pg=GC

[pa]
[blockstart previousline=Equals(FetchText(0,1,7), '-----') NextLine=EmptyLine()]

pa=~:52~
create_pa=w
value_s=~FetchText(0,PositionAfter(".", 4)-4, 47)~

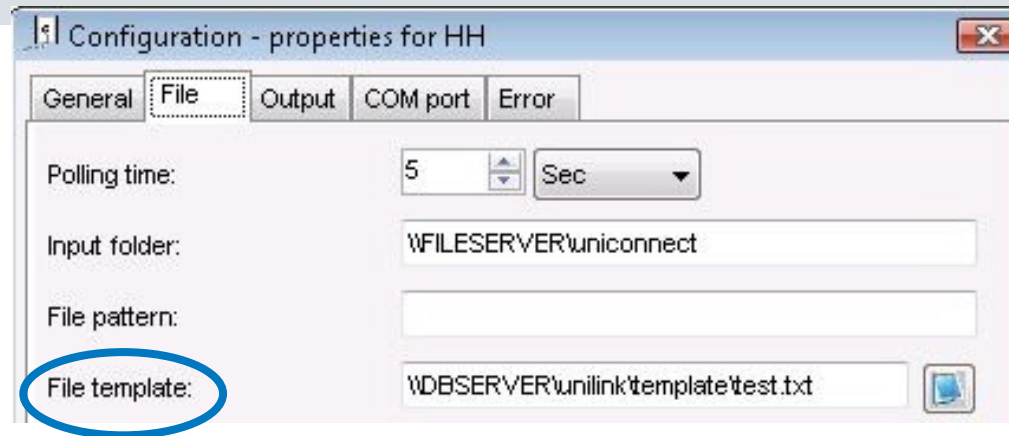
[blockend]
#else
Incorrect input file
#end if

```

**Advised to use the function:**

***~FetchText( (int) linenumber,  
(int) start\_index, (int) end\_index)~***

## Other parsing options



### Parsing options besides the use of a template:

- Specify a VBScript
- Specify a XSLT file

**Uniconnect detects the appropriate parsing option by looking at the file extension**

## Parsing options - Summary

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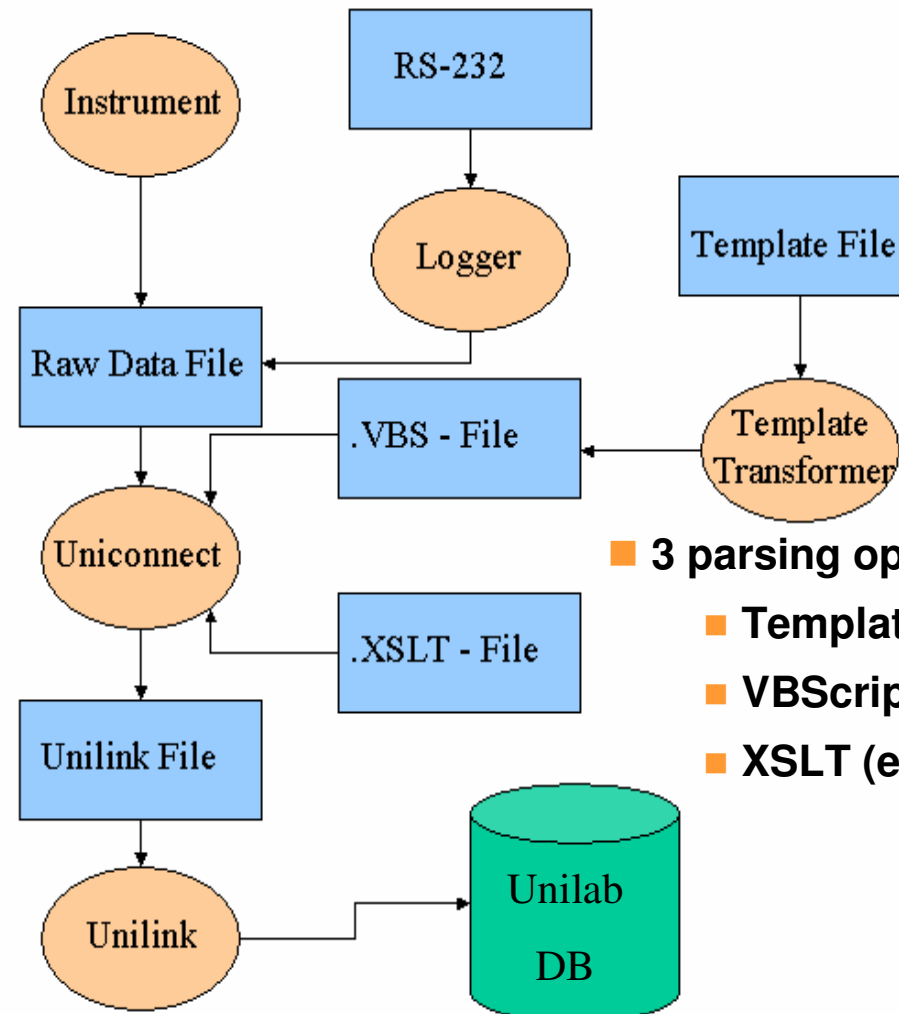
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### ■ 3 parsing options:

- **Template**
- **VBScript (extension .vbs)**
- **XSLT (extension .xsl)**



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- Results are transferred in background
- No user interaction
- Sample is created automatically
- Simatic IT Unilab automatically adds all (but only those) components that were sent through



SIMATIC IT Unilab - Analyzer - [Method list]

Sample Code	Method	Description	Result	Unit	Status	# R.
20090618-001	11C0006	Diameter with 11C0006			Available	1
RQ2002-9	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-34	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-31	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-28	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-25	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-35	Acidity Titratable	Acidity Titratable			Available	0
RQ2002-32	Acidity Titratable	Acidity Titratable			Available	0
RQ2002-29	Acidity Titratable	Acidity Titratable			Available	0
RQ2002-26	Acidity Titratable	Acidity Titratable			Available	0
RQ2002-41	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-40	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-35	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-34	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-32	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-31	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-29	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-28	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-26	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-25	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-9	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0
RQ2002-35	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0
RQ2002-34	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0

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GC

```

TEMPLATE_GC.txt - Notepad
File Edit Search Help

[BeginTransaction]
[sc]
st=Water
create_sc=Y

[pg]
pg=GC

[pa]
[blockstart previousline=Equals(~:1-7~, '-----')]
nextline=EmptyLine()]
pa=~:52~
create_pa=W
value_s=~:38-47~

[blockend]
[EndTransaction]
    
```

GC template  
file

```

GC003.txt - Notepad
File Edit Search Help

Data File D:\HPCHEM\GC1\DATA\052F0601.D Sample Name: 2111A01
GC2 01-10-1999 11:39:31

=====
Injection Date : 01-10-1999 10:59:23      Seq. Line : 6
Sample Name   : 2111A01                  Vial : 52
Acq. Operator :                          Inj : 1
                                           Inj Volume : 1 µl
Sequence File : D:\HPCHEM\GC1\SEQUENCE\DIRK.S
Method        : D:\HPCHEM\GC1\METHODS\TD(C).M
Last changed  : 22-09-1999 14:14:47
=====

Normalized Percent Report
=====

Sorted By      : Signal
Calib. Data Modified : 14-09-1999 08:18:32
Multiplier    : 1.0000
Dilution      : 1.0000

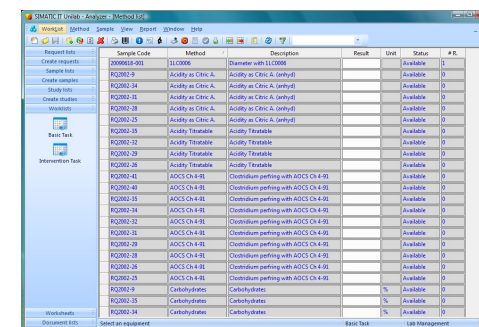
Signal 1: FID1 A,
Uncalibrated peaks RF : 1.00000

RetTime  Type   Area   Amt/Area   Norm   Grp   Name
[min]    [min]  [pA*s]          %
-----
6.874    -       -       -         -     -    123TRICHOORBENZEE
8.000    -       -       -         -     -    123TRICHOORPROPAN
11.698  BU      12.75306  1.00000  0.007514  -    124TRICHOORBENZEE
11.761  UP      3.02078  1.00000  0.001780  -    2CHLOORTOLUEEN
15.507  BP      12.05278  1.00000  0.007102  -    4CHLOORTOLUEEN
16.846  BB      652.82306  1.00000  0.384661  -    CHLOROFORM
17.987  PU      3.30110  1.00000  0.001945  -    FOSGEEN
18.124  UB      10.29629  1.00000  0.006067  -    METHYLEENCHLORIDE
    
```

GC input file

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## Example 2 - ICP/MS

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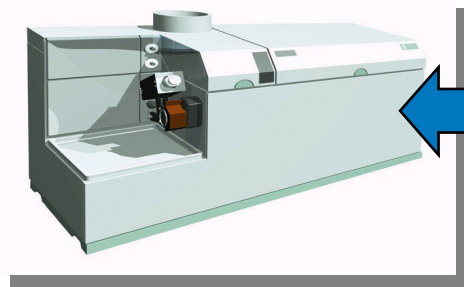
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- Results are transferred in background,
- User can change results and is requested to validate manually
- Sample should already exist
- Simatic IT Unilab automatically adds all elements as soon as validation is complete



SIMATIC IT Unilab - Analyzer - [Method list]

Sample Code	Method	Description	Result	Unit	Status	# R.
20090618-001	1LC0006	Diameter with 1LC0006			Available	1
RQ2002-9	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-34	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-31	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-28	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-25	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-35	Acidity Titratable	Acidity Titratable			Available	0
RQ2002-32	Acidity Titratable	Acidity Titratable			Available	0
RQ2002-29	Acidity Titratable	Acidity Titratable			Available	0
RQ2002-26	Acidity Titratable	Acidity Titratable			Available	0
RQ2002-41	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-40	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-35	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-34	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-32	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-31	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-29	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-28	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-26	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-25	AOCS Ch 4-91	Clostridium perfringens with AOCS Ch 4-91			Available	0
RQ2002-9	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0
RQ2002-35	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0
RQ2002-34	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0

Worksheets: Document lists: Select an equipment

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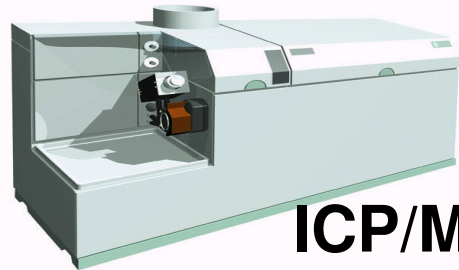
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ICP/MS

ICP/MS  
template file

```

TEMPLATE_ICPMSUC.txt - Notepad
File Edit Search Help
'Template ICP-MS-UC
[BeginTransaction]
[sc]
Sc=~2:10~
st=Water
create_sc=W

[pg]
pg=ICP MS
create_pg=W

[pa]
pa=Som Metalen

[cell table]
me=ICP-MS
cell=TABEL
value_s[3,0]=~7:PositionAfter('/', '1')-PositionBefore('/', '2')~
value_s[2,0]=~7:PositionAfter('/', '4')-PositionBefore('/', '5')~
value_s[3,1]=~8:PositionAfter('/', '1')-PositionBefore('/', '2')~
value_s[2,1]=~8:PositionAfter('/', '4')-PositionBefore('/', '5')~
value_s[3,2]=~9:PositionAfter('/', '1')-PositionBefore('/', '2')~
value_s[2,2]=~9:PositionAfter('/', '4')-PositionBefore('/', '5')~
value_s[3,3]=~10:PositionAfter('/', '1')-PositionBefore('/', '2')~
value_s[2,3]=~10:PositionAfter('/', '4')-PositionBefore('/', '5')~
value_s[3,4]=~11:PositionAfter('/', '1')-PositionBefore('/', '2')~
value_s[2,4]=~11:PositionAfter('/', '4')-PositionBefore('/', '5')~
[EndTransaction]
    
```

```

ICPMS05.txt - Notepad
File Edit Search Help
Methode : ICP-MS
Sample : SW_20000525_105
Run : run02
Analist : CXFJ
Experiment datum : 2000-04-17
Toestel : ICP-MS-1
Mg/2.28/1/1/100/U////
K/23.34/1/1/100/B/commentaar op K meting///
As/21.28/1/1/100/U////
Mn/43.54/1/1/100/B/commentaar op Mn meting///
Na/1.58/1/1/100////
    
```

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Sample Code	Method	Description	Result	Unit	Status	# R.
20000525-001	ILC0008	Diameter with ILC0008			Available	1
RQ2002-9	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-34	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-31	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-28	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-25	Acidity as Citric A.	Acidity as Citric A. (anhyd)			Available	0
RQ2002-35	Acidity Titration	Acidity Titration			Available	0
RQ2002-32	Acidity Titration	Acidity Titration			Available	0
RQ2002-26	Acidity Titration	Acidity Titration			Available	0
RQ2002-41	ADCS Ch 4-9i	Clostridium perfringens with ADCS Ch 4-9i			Available	0
RQ2002-40	ADCS Ch 4-9i	Clostridium perfringens with ADCS Ch 4-9i			Available	0
RQ2002-35	ADCS Ch 4-9i	Clostridium perfringens with ADCS Ch 4-9i			Available	0
RQ2002-34	ADCS Ch 4-9i	Clostridium perfringens with ADCS Ch 4-9i			Available	0
RQ2002-32	ADCS Ch 4-9i	Clostridium perfringens with ADCS Ch 4-9i			Available	0
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RQ2002-28	ADCS Ch 4-9i	Clostridium perfringens with ADCS Ch 4-9i			Available	0
RQ2002-26	ADCS Ch 4-9i	Clostridium perfringens with ADCS Ch 4-9i			Available	0
RQ2002-25	ADCS Ch 4-9i	Clostridium perfringens with ADCS Ch 4-9i			Available	0
RQ2002-9	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0
RQ2002-35	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0
RQ2002-32	Carbohydrates	Carbohydrates		%	Available	0



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## Unilink allows

- Parsing of ASCII files on server
- Transfer of the data to the Simatic IT Unilab database
- Processing of data
  - Parsing and/or interpreting data



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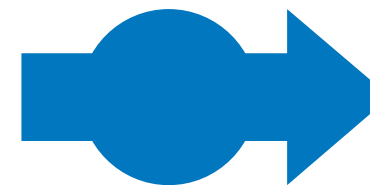
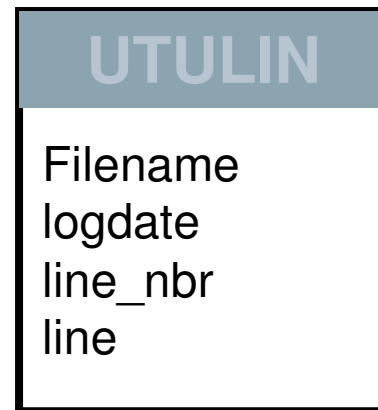
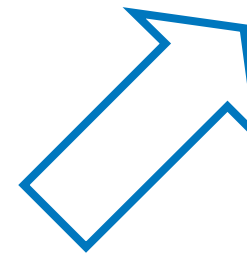
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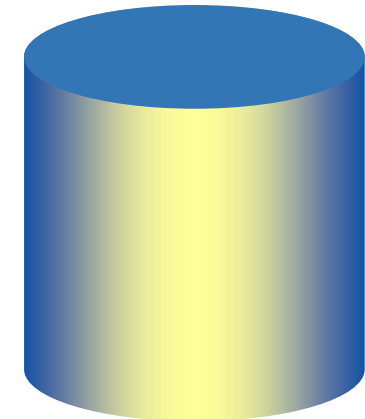
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ASCII File

ASCII File(s)



**Custom  
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## Unilink Directory Structure

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In directory (**LOC\_IN\_DIR**)

- Storage of files to be processed
- Example: files coming from Uniconnect

Log directory (**LOC\_LOG\_DIR**)

- Storage of trace files

Out directory (**LOC\_OUT\_DIR**)

- Storage of output files

Err directory (**LOC\_ERR\_DIR**)

- Storage of error files

## Running Unilink

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### Options

- Run as a database job
- Called from within application

### Unilink as database job

- StartUnilink / StopUnilink
- Polling Interval (system setting UL\_POLLING\_INTERVAL)
  - ChangeULInterval

### Unilink called directly

- Unilink function call

## End of File Detection

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### Options

- By OS or calling program (OS)
- Based on string (EOF\_STRING)
- Based on file size (EOF\_FILESIZE)
- Based on \*.rdy file (EOF\_FLAGFILE)

### Argument for functions

- StartUnilink
- Unilink

# Custom Function

## Introduction

PL/SQL CF

Specified on equipment communication settings

## Database

Package

## Database API

- Default: Unilink

## Life Cycles

Uses

- DB API for Unilink
- DB API for sample creation, save parameter results,...
- Custom functions

## Custom Functions

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Uniconnect Parser

- Template
- Extendable

## Developing Custom Code

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### Package variables

- **UNAPIUL**
  - Refer to On Line Help
- **UNAPIUL.P\_EQUL\_REC**
  - loc\_dir, file\_name, cf, after\_process, unilink\_id, eof\_string

### Transaction logic

- BEGINTRANSACTION
- ENDTRANSACTION

## Custom Function - Return Code

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- UNIAPIGEN.DBERR\_SUCCESS
- Something else
  - Return code logged in Unilink log file
  - Copy of log file in err directory
  - No logging in uterror
- Does not interrupt Unilink
  - After\_process setting is executed



## Customizing Uniconnect Parser

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### Uniconnect parser

- Template
  - Uniconnect package
- Extendable for specific purposes

### Customizing the parser

- Implement in another package
- Refer to On Line Help for customization

## After Processing

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ASCII file can be

- Deleted
- Marked as processed
  - utulfilestatus

Specified in equipment communication settings

- AFTER\_PROCESS setting

## Tracing and Logging

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### Arguments

- in StartUnilink and Unilink
- a\_ul\_trace
- a\_ul\_trace\_loc\_dir
- a\_trace\_level

## Trace Level

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`a_trace_level`

- In Unilink and StartUnilink

**UNAPIUL.UL\_TRACE\_NONE**  
**UNAPIUL.UL\_TRACE\_LOW**  
**UNAPIUL.UL\_TRACE\_NORMAL**  
**UNAPIUL.UL\_TRACE\_HIGH**  
**UNAPIUL.UL\_TRACE\_ALERT**

**0 Very low level debugging**  
**1 Debug information**  
**2 Informative**  
**3 High priority message but no error**  
**4 Alert fatal error**

## Using Unilink without ASCII file

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### Using Unilink without ASCII file

- Parsing without reading file first
- Filling utulin
  - No API

### Using Unilink DB APIs

- RemoveFile
- GetDirectory
  - Returns all files in an array

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## System settings

- UL\_POLLING\_INTERVAL
  - Interval between 2 Unilink jobs in seconds
  - Default = 300 s
- UL\_TRACING\_ON
  - Boolean indicating if the tracing should be activated or not
- UL\_LOG\_TO\_FILE
  - Boolean indicating whether the logging is switched on/off for UNILINK

# Equipment Configuration

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Unilab - Define Equipment - [Equipment <gc>]

Equipment Intervention Constants Types View Window Help

Name: gc Status: Equip. Interv. Busy

Description: Gas Chromatograph1 Analytical Lab Life cycle: Equipment System LC

Laboratory: -

Identification Equipment Constants Measurement Ranges Intervention Communication Equipment Types

Communication Driver: UNILINK

	Name	Value
1	AFTER_PROCESS	CLEAR
2	CF	UNICONNECT.parser
3	EOF_STRING	OS
4	FILE_NAME	*
5	LOC_DIR	U4UNILINK000
6	UNILINK_ID	gc

Ready Lab Management



# Unilink ID

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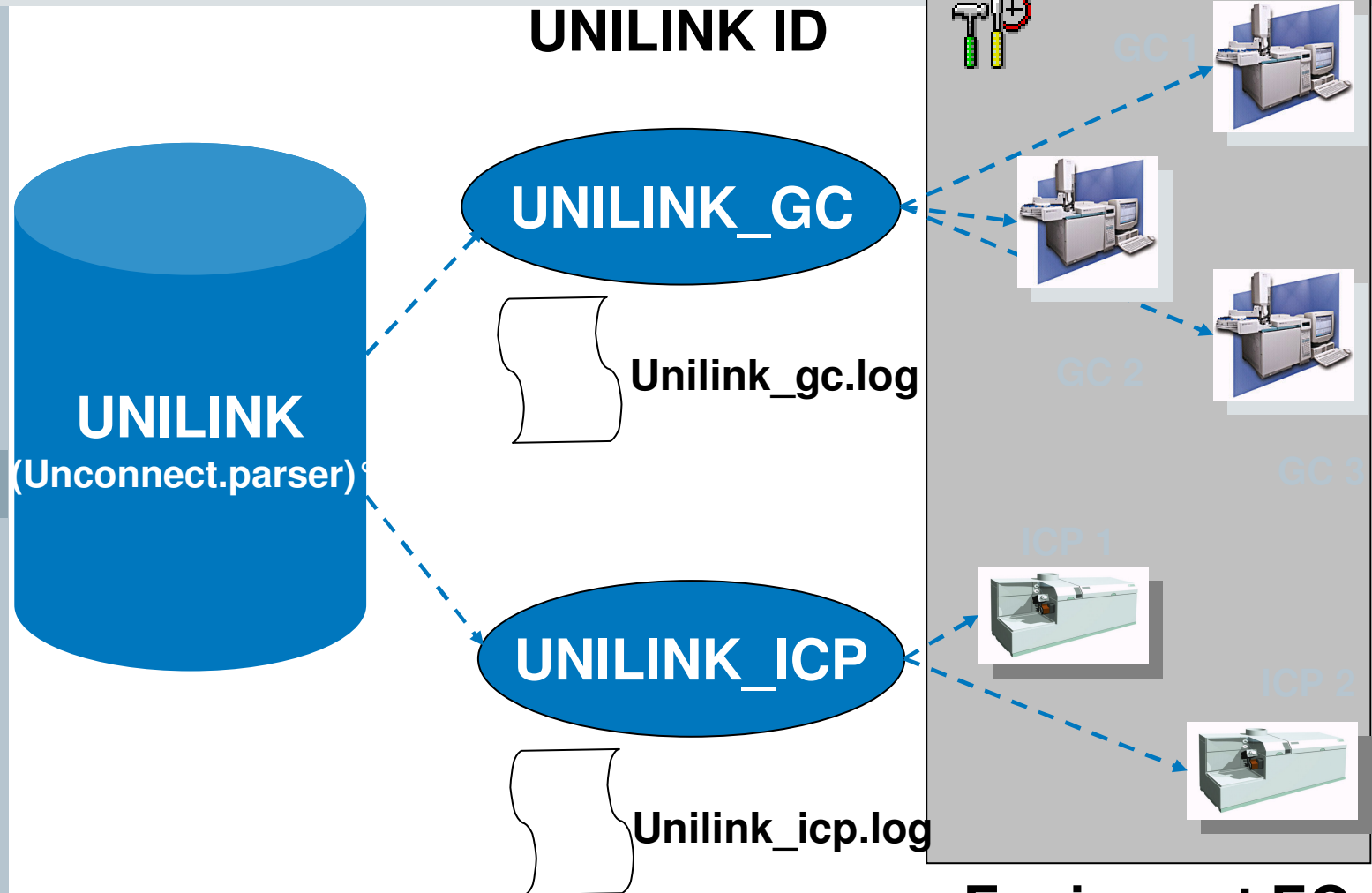
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**Equipment EQ**

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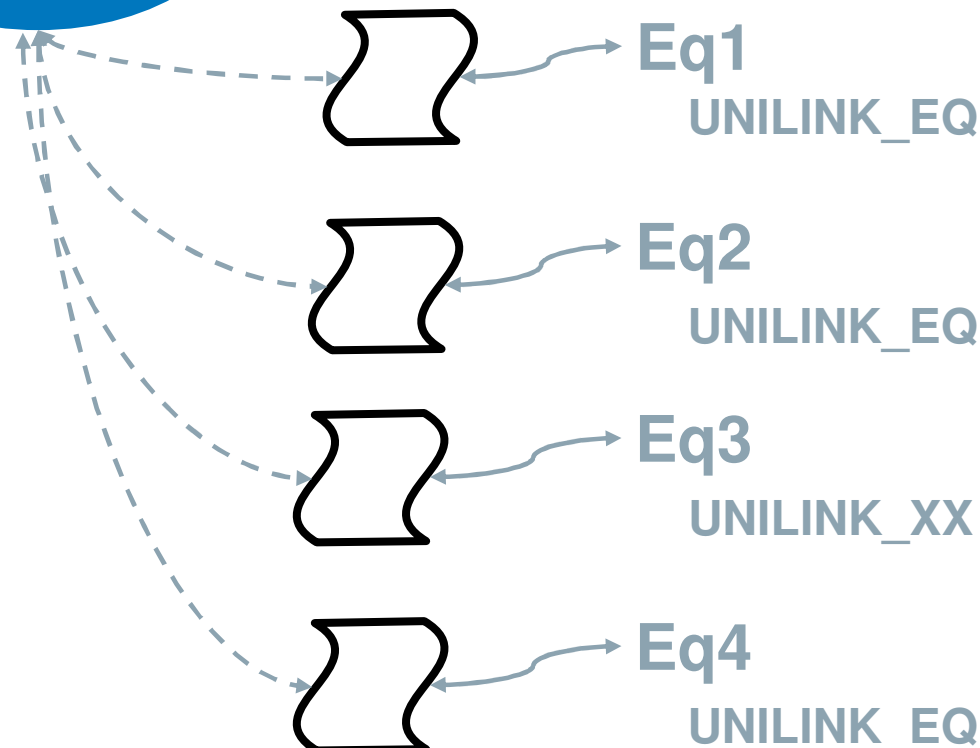
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A UNILINK Job will  
process all files for all  
equipments having  
the corresponding  
UNILINK\_ID



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