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Working with Product Structure Views & Annotations in PDMLink?

What are Product Structure Views?

PDMLink offers the possibility to work with different product structures views.

Different actors within a digital product value chain, look at a product and constituent parts from different usage perspectives

- Design perspective
- Manufacturing planning perspective
- Maintenance perspective

Usually labeled with an “As” prefix

- As-Designed
- As-Planned
- As-Built
- As-Maintained

Described in a chronological sequence, e.g. As-Designed comes before As-Planned
Carry a unique version designator, e.g. Part 123 Version A.A

Annotations

Customers may require an electronic change proposal mechanism that does not necessarily change the product structures in the PDM system database.

These proposals are shared

- In an ad-hoc fashion,
- or as part of a formal change process.

When the change is agreed upon, the proposal can be used to make the actual change.

General Requirements

Structure Markups will be created using Product Information Manager (PIM)

Structure Markup will support the annotation of

- “Uses” relationships
- Quantity
- Version
- Old parts to create new parts

All markups will be related to the top assembly node in markup session.

It will be possible to create multiple structure markups for each top assembly node.

Adherence to configuration management business rules will be the responsibility of the user.

General Capabilities

Structure annotations will be stored in the Windchill database so that users can search for, retrieve and modify them.

Parts that have been annotated up will not be locked.

Only one user at a time will be able to modify a structure annotation set.

It will be possible to “Apply” a structure annotation set, causing all annotated parts to be modified in the Windchill database.

Capabilities

Create / Open from the PIM

Annotation Types

Add Child

New Child

- Remove
- Revise
- Save As
- Change Quantity

!Cut / Copy / Past Parts
!Revert Selected Annotation
!Save Annotation Set
!Apply Annotation Set

The screenshot shows a software window titled "Structure Annotation: Alternative A (Move slipper mount page assembly)". The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, Annotations), a toolbar, and a main table with columns: Chg, Name, Number, Qty, Rev, and Comments. A tree view on the left shows a hierarchy of parts. A console at the bottom displays the message "Existing structure has been duplicated".

Chg	Name	Number	Qty	Rev	Comments
*	Tandem_Wheels	TMP-0001	1	A	
+	Slipper_Mount	5000-310	4	A	
+	Undercarriage	5000-210	2	B	
↔	Fender_12	5000-311	3	A	
	Ulbolt	5000-309	2	A	
-	Spring_bracket	5000-308	2	A	
	Slipper_Spring	5000-307	2	A	
	Dust_Cover	5000-306	2	A	
	Axle_Cover	5000-305	1	A	
	Tire_12	5000-304	2	D	
	Shaft_Bearing	5000-303	2	C	
	Hub	5000-302	2	A	
	Axle	5000-301	1	A	
*	Lock_Washer	TMP-0005	1	A	
+	Spring_bracket	5000-308	1		

Callouts in the image point to various actions:

- Save As**: Points to the "Save" menu item.
- Revise**: Points to the "Rev" column in the table.
- Change Quantity**: Points to the "Qty" column in the table.
- Add**: Points to the "+" icon in the "Chg" column.
- Remove Child**: Points to the "-" icon in the "Chg" column.
- New**: Points to the "*" icon in the "Chg" column.
- Cut, Copy Paste**: Points to the "↔" icon in the "Chg" column.
- Revert Annotation**: Points to the "Revert Selected Annotation" menu item.

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Flatten Quilt Features & Bend Solid Features

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Tips of the Week

Part Definitions

What is a part in Windchill?

- Place holder in a physical product structure model
- Can be either a component or an assembly
- Described by:
 - Attributes
 - Relationships to other parts
 - Attachments to Documents containing data

Part information is stored on two objects

- The Part Master
- The Part Version

What is a Part Master?

- Records information about Parts that does not change with the creation of new versions
- Represents “Form, Fit & Function” required by assembly
- Is hidden from the Windchill user

- Has attributes such as:
 - Name (Shaft)
 - Number (12345)

What is a Part Version?

- Records information that is unique to a specific point in a Part’s design life cycle
- Caries a version designator such as “A” or “1”
- References Windchill Documents which are unique to that version such as:
 - Specifications

- CAD models

All Revisions of a specific Part are “Form, Fit and Function” compatible and may be substituted one for another

Serialized Part - Definition

A Part Occurrence with a serial number

Example: blades in jet engine plane (same part number and version, but blades need to be track separately with serial number)

- Serial numbered part represents a part, typically provided by a supplier, that can be individually identified by its serial number.
- A serial numbered part is a kind of part (i.e. it is a sub-class of WTPart); however, serial numbered parts do not have part-to-part usages with child parts
- Serialized Part is a part that can be allocated and assigned a serial number.

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- 2) Educate you on products that are available at PTC
- 3) Tips & Techniques using PTC Products

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