

## MeDaMAk

# A measurement data management system based on the openMDM framework

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#### Use cases



- Acoustic measurements have to be performed
- Measurement data is produced by different measurement devices using various data formats
- The data shall be persisted in a standard format
- Automatic data post processing is required
- Analysis and reporting in the tool of choice of the individual engineer
- Long term data storage and interpretation are independent of originating measurement software



## The standard measurement process

Engineer plans a test

Test is ordered

Measurement

Data import

Automatic data calculations

Analysis / Reporting

•Test order data is persisted in database

- •Order data goes "offline"
- Additional actions
- •Offline/Online measurement
- Measurement devices perform calculations
- •Quality check
- •Appended to order data
- •Quality check
- •Appended to order data
- •Use of various tools



#### System overview







#### Database model – MDM model



The MDM idea:

A standardized and fixed application model for all use

cases.





#### Database model – MeDaMAk



- Containers are provided for descriptive data
- Changes of the model are permitted only for adding/removing/altering application elements and attributes of descriptive data
- Model changes can be made with a graphical user interface
- Separate storage of order and measurement descriptions





#### Database model – MeDaMAk

Metadata for measurement data

- physical dimensions
- unit catalogue
- quantity catalogue defines
  - comparable channels
  - storage-unit of channels
  - default-datatype of channel data

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#### Database model – MeDaMAk



Metadata for measurement descriptions

- Definition of different use cases
- Administration by the operating department
- Templates for
  - Component structures
  - TestSteps
  - Tests

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#### MeDaMAk client



User interface mainly for data lookup

- Browsing and viewing measurement descriptions
- Collecting the data to compare into "shoppingbaskets"
- Serving data to external tools

=> NOT intended to be used for sophisticated reporting and analysis



### **MeDaMAk client - Navigation**



- Navigating the default MDM structure
   => Similar view as in an standard ODS client
- Navigating user-views
   => Every user group has its own interest
   => Replaces complex search masks
- Using a detail view





### **MeDaMAk client - Search**



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- Search definitions
  - System defined
  - User defined



## MeDaMAk client – Test planner



- Engineer may order tests directly from their desk
- The graphical user interface is implemented as a wizard to lighten the use for unexperienced users
- The description patterns are loaded from MDM templates
- Optional test descriptions may be added depending on the test goal
- The sensor composition of a test can be defined
- The graphical user interface may be extended
  - Dock on company services like part management systems
  - Interface for name generation to ensure clean database entries
  - Custom actions may be defined to be executed on test ordering

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### MeDaMAk client – Part manager



- Every TestStep has its own measurement description
   => state of the test object at the moment of the test
- For support of the test planners catalogues of test objects may be created
- In the test planning component the data is searched for and copied into the test description

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#### Data import



#### Automatic import (scheduler)

- Polls at a local directory
- Imports data in background
- Administrator gets notified only in case of an error

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- User driven data import
  - Measurement data often has to be edited before import
  - MDM comes with a generic user interface
  - Only the data driver has to be implemented
  - Drivers for a few standard file formats already exist



#### Data post processing



Calculations have to be performed on measurement data. Calculation results have to be persisted.

- Calculations before data import
  - The result data is treated like measurement data
- Manually processed by an user
  - Data is transferred from MDM to an external tool
  - Import calculation results
    - Import result files with an MDM importer
    - The external application writes the data itself to the MDM data storage (e.g. LMS Test.Lab)

#### Automatic post processing

- The source data is marked at import time
- A server process searches for marked data and processes the data over night
- MDM has a build-in mechanismn for this process



## Integration of external tools



- Engineers want to use the best fitting software tool for their field of activity
- MDM has the responsibility to ensure the exchangeability of stored measurement data
- The MDM client is no replacement for professional data analysis tools
- External tools are mostly rich client software
- The analysis tools provide interfaces
   > MDM serves the data to external software
- MeDaMAk has interfaces to the following tools
  - MuellerBBM "PAK"
  - MuellerBBM "edp"
  - LMS "Test.Lab"
  - HeadAcoustics "Artemis"
  - National Instruments "Diadem"



## Integration of MuellerBBM "PAK"



- As much data as possible is imported into standard ODS dataformat
- Additional information is uploaded to the MDM data storage as blackbox files
- PAK provides two interfaces for reading data
  - PAK native file format
    - => MDM downloads selected data from file storage
  - ATFX file format
    - => MDM generates an ATFX-File containing the data in the shoppingbasket

=> non PAK measurement data can be analysed





## Integration of MuellerBBM "edp"



- Web application "engineering data portal"
- Online data viewer and reporting tool
- Comes with own ODS browser
- The report is generated on the server side
   => Benefit: measurement data has not to be transferred to the client





## Integration of LMS "Test.Lab"



- Windows rich client
- Professional NVH analysis tool
- Comes with own ODS browser
- Provides interfaces for
  - Reading from ASAM-ODS persistence
  - Writing to ASAM-ODS persistence
  - May be configured which data to load



write analysis result data



## Integration of "Artemis"



- Windows rich client
- Professional NVH analysis tool
- Provides a tool for converting ASAM-ODS data to internal Artemis data format
- Comes with an user interface to load data from MDM shoppingbaskets





## Integration of NI "Diadem"



- Windows rich client
- Comes with own ODS browser
- Provides a scripting language to handle ODS objects
- Provides an interface to start a script on startup





## Integration of company services



MDM uses company services



MDM provides a central company service
 => Business objects for measurement data



## Data access layer – MDM API



- Programming against the ODS OO-API is difficult and needs a huge knowledge about ASAM ODS
- MDM provides high level API defining business objects
- The MDM-API hides the generics and complexity of the ASAM model
- To avoid violation of MDM storage rules direct access to the ASAM objects model is prohibited
- Because the MDM-API knows the physical model, data access has good performance



#### Benefits of using the MDM framework



- No need for custom database design
- Datamodels may "grow" without the need to extend the software
- By chosing MDM you get a system based on many years of experience implementing "ASAM ODS" best practices
- Proved 100% ASAM ODS compatibility
  - Includes ASAM NVH specification
  - Includes ASAM workflow specification
  - In future: Includes ASAM geometry model specification
- MDM provides a high level data access API => no need for ASAM ODS specialists when developing new components
- Optionally you get a full grown server/client framework
- There already exist a lot of proven generic MDM-components
- Many professional analysis tools already provide an interface to read/write data from an MDM data storage



# Thank you!



