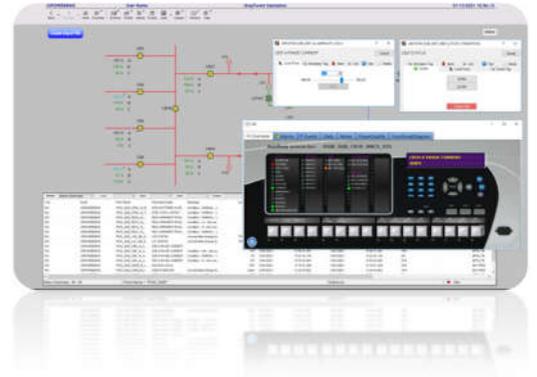


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## PowerLink Connect

Converting from PowerLink Advantage to PowerLink Connect



### Overview

Catapult Software provide an automated conversion service from PowerLink Advantage to PowerLink Connect. There are two available options for providing the information required to undertake the conversion process.

**Option 1:** Provide a virtual machine image of the existing PLA servers. This is our recommended option as it ensures that we have all the information we need to convert the project.

**Option 2:** Provide a copy of the PowerLink Advantage database and project folders. This is more cumbersome and potentially misses out on some required information, so it should only be used if option 1 is not possible. The procedure for extracting the required information is outlined in the steps below. Each will produce an output file that should then be sent to Catapult Software for processing.

#### Exporting the PACT Tool Database

One of the required files from PLA is `sd_points.idt`, which is one of the PACT Tool database's readable files. To ensure that the file is the latest version, follow this procedure:

1. Go to [CIMPLICITY folder]\HMI\exe.
2. Copy the `idtpop.exe` to [Project folder]\data.
3. Double click the `idtpop.exe` application and type in `SD_POINTS`
4. This will update the `sd_points.idt` file, which is stored in [Project folder]\data.

#### Exporting the CIMPLICITY Database

1. Open the CIMPLICITY Workbench
2. Go to Workbench → Tools → Command Prompt
3. Type in: `clie export [File Path]\[File name].csv`, where "File Path" and "File name" denote the folder and filename used for the output file.

#### Exporting the CIMPLICITY Project Folder

1. Shut down the PowerLink Advantage project.
2. Open File Explorer and go to the [CIMPLICITY folder]\projects folder.
3. Pack the required project folder into a zip file

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