

SMARTElectrode 12.0.5.0

What's New











What

- Introduced 'Getting started' document
- https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10749

Why

This document explains briefly how to start working with SMARTElectrode

How

Open 'Getting started' from

- Installation directory
- Download server: <u>https://dl.buw-soft.de/smartelectrode/guides/getting-started.pdf</u>
- Some of the topics covered
 - Configure license / Register and start SE
 - Setting up a configuration / How to use setup wizard
 - Creo options / SMARTElectrode Options
 - Workflow in SMARTElectrode
 - Parameters
 - Base UI
 - Customizing electrode templates
 - Drawing Creation

Enhancement



Sort electrodes by parameter value before export What https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10575 Some customers need to output electrodes in a specific sort order Why Two new keywords can be used in any export configuration (export.cfg) How SE ORDER BY Define parameter by parameter name (1st column) or parameter default (last column; include &) SE SORT ORDER Defines sort order: ASC, ASCENDING, DESC, DESCENDING Sorting works for strings, doubles and integers Only sort by part parameters! BURNAREA - TD - NAME SE ORDER BY & BURNAREA XY

SE SORT ORDER DESCENDING

SE ORDER BY BRENNFLAECHE

SE SORT ORDER DESCENDING

BURNAREA: -- ID -- NAME 361.980.- 11.- JS748100_AS_EDM_11 157.062.- 12.- JS748100_AS_EDM_12 156.671.- 12.- JS748100_AS_EDM_12 28.102.- 10.- JS748100_AS_EDM_10 28.102.- 10.- JS748100_AS_EDM_10 25.607.- 3.- JS748100_AS_EDM_03







What

How

- Updated advanced interface for Zimmer&Kreim Alphamoduli
- https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/7864
- Processor files include upated list of orbits Additional supported XML tags in export
 - MeasDim
 - MeasProgType
 - MeasSizeX
 - MeasSizeY
 - MeasSizeZ
 - MeasZPointX
 - MeasZPointY
 - MeasZPointZ
 - EdgeDistance
 - SafetyDistance
- Please contact us for detailed information and setup!





What

- Round contour height to even value in Base UI
- https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/5550

Why

How

- For users more interested in an even contour height than in a rounded position
- Mandatory settings:
 - INCREMENT_POS = 0
 - INCREMENT_SIZE > 0
- Height of contour will be rounded to a value, where
 - D1 corresponds at least to value in data file
 - D3 corresponds exactly to value in data file
 - Contour height is rounded to INCREMENT_SIZE
- Should be combined with a free value
 - blank length (LENGTH = -1) or
 - base height (D2 = -1)







A_BASE	15.000	D1 1	.000	▲ ▼	
B_BASE	15.000	D2 3	4.000	*	
LENGTH	37.155	D3 -(0.700	*	
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FRAME	3.200	* *	1.000	*	







What Why Show notifications for Burnsheet UI node on mouse-over

https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10421

As a quick information for the user

How

- Move mouse cursor over node if notifications available
- Click on notification to open detailed description in separate window and filter display

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38177-20_SE_REF		Θ		~	
38177-20-061		Θ		₩\1	
📅 Base not centered on solid.					



Use blank dimensions A_BASE and B_BASE for coverage check What https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10622 CONTACT AREA MAX COVERAGE defines valid percentage of coverage Why SMARTElectrode used area of 'BASE TOP' leading to too small areas if clamp is part of electrode SMARTElectrode evaluates blank area by base dimensions How if available 'BASE TOP' surface may be used for imported electrodes More information about check of calculated burnarea projection:

https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10622







Check ELEK300-220084 (ID 147). Press ESC to cancel! 🗙	
0%	

	Options Interference Touching Faces Assign Colors Consider Undersize Calculate Undersize Effective Contact Area Results Effective Contact Area						
?	Electrode	Touching Surface	Projection Area	Interference			
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i	SE_JS748100_AS_EDM_01		3.18557	~			
i	SE_JS748100_AS_EDM_01		3.18557	~			
i	SE_JS748100_AS_EDM_01		3.18557	~			
i	SE_JS748100_AS_EDM_02	Cancelled	0	 ✓ 			
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Why

How



Assembly Setup Allow adjustment of assembly accuracy if Reference Model(s) inconsistent values are found 38341-20 IN-LEHRE Creation Method https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10414 More Settings Unit Same accuracy and type should be used in inch Accuracy Type complete assembly absolute Accuracy Value Inconsistent accuracies may lead to errors 0.001 Names Inconsistent accuracy values found Warning will be displayed in assembly UI Cancel OK Input will be preset to smallest accuracy found Component(s) with different accuracy found: 38341_POS020_1 = 0.0010 Additional warning will be shown before 38341_POS020_2 = 0.0010 Create reference feature(s) anyway? creation of reference model Yes No Errors will be displayed afterwards NOTE SMARTElectrode does not change Reference feature for component 38341_POS020_1 failed! Reference feature for component 38341 POS020 2 failed! accuracy of the original models! This is because SE can't evaluate if change of

accuracy is allowed.

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Use Flexible Modeling 'Substitute' in 'ATTACH' instead of replace What https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/8703 Normal offset-replace (modeling tab) does sometimes NOT unite electrode Why contour and electrode base, no matter whether FREE FACE or solid surface is selected as reference. SMARTElectrode automatically uses feature substitute in group 'ATTACH' How instead of offset/replace if license for Flexible Modeling Extension is available

Result for expand

Result for replace

Result for FMX substitute



🔛 Pattern

Mirror

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Mirro

R UDF



Command 'Mirror' automatically activates insert mode and adds
 mirror feature in front of baco is @ gour region is

mirror feature in front of base



be shown









What

Why

How

Introduced new command 'Open Configuration' https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10739

Easier access to active configuration

A file browser opens in active configuration folder

- Actions for selected files / file types
 - parameter.cfg
 Dialog for modification will be opened
 - options.cfg
 Dialog for modification will be opened
 - *.prt, *.asm, *.drw
 Creo file will be opened in a new window
 - any other file
 File will be opened in info window

Browse Active Configuration					
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Common Folders	electrode	overburn_calc.txt			
Desktop	export	ng parameter.cfg			
冯 My Documents		🕜 rectangular_base.gph			
buwnote12	operation	rectangular_base_frame.gph			
Working Directory	processor	rectangular_base_neu.gph			
Torking Directory	templates	rectangular_mfg_wp.gph			
* Favorites	edm_list.tbl	ground_base_neu.gph			
	mapkey.pro	sel_list.bxt			
💣 Network	my_cmm_format.cfg	udf_rectangluar_base.prt			
	my_color_format.cfg	udf_rectangluar_base_neu.prt			
	my_color_format_RGB_palette.cfg	udf_rectangluar_frame.prt			
	my_color_format_blue.cfg	udf_round_base.prt			
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Why

User should be in control when dependent operations and electrodes are updated

Disable automatic update of csys on workpiece sides

https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10511

▼ SF_AUTO_CSYS_51
↓ SE_CSYS_29
↓ SE_CSYS_31
↓ SE_CSYS_33
↓ SE_CSYS_35
↓ SE_CSYS_37
↓ SE_CSYS_39
* Datum Point id 41

How

- The 8 datum points represent the corners of the workpiece outline and can be used for drawing dimensions. These will be updated automatically!
- A notification will be shown in Burnsheet UI for outdated csys
- Double-click in notification details to update csys, operation and electrodes













What

Why

How

- Use default csys from base to calculate angles https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10822
- In some cases, it may be necessary to rotate csys with EDM_ORIGIN_NAME
- Angles in burnsheet would appear with wrong values
- Use csys showing orientation of blank for calculation of angles
- Always uses 'EDM_ORIGIN' for electrodes designed in SMARTElectrode 7.0
- Always uses csys 'SE_EDM_BASE' or csys defined in option 'EDM_ORIGIN_NAME' for electrodes designed in SMARTElectrode 8.0 – 12.0
- This allows adjustment of csys 'EDM_ORIGIN_NAME' for easier definition of start position







DTM_LENGTH
 HOLDER_BASE
 L
 EDM_HOLDER_POS
 CAM_CSYS
 L
 EDM_ORIGIN

Group MEASURE_FRAME
Group FRONT_NUMBER
Group FREE_FACE_NUMBER

Allow subgroups in definition of user-defined features for electrode base. What https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10389 Sometimes features are nested in groups (MEASURE_FRAME, Why FRONT NUMBER, FREE FACE NUMBER) in Base UDF, These features are currently not considered as part of L SE EDM BASE the base leading to wrong size calculation SMARTElectrode now checks all features in base group □ DTM1 / A EDM How /7 X7-FDM when checking if a feature/surface is part of base or not. Z XY-EDM Z YZ-EDM BLANK-DIMENSION







What

- Prevent deletion of active operation
- https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10733

Why

SMARTElectrode ribbon is disabled after deletion of active operation Most of the commands are still accessible but won't work anymore

Resolution

SMARTElectrode checks features whether they belong to active operation before deletion

Deletion will be canceled with message window if feature of active operation selected























- Check UI: coloring can be done when all electrode positions are selected for touching surface analysis
- Check UI: a warning will be displayed and coloring will be canceled if NOT all electrode positions are selected for touching surface analysis
- Base UI: coloring can be done in detailed calculation of contact area if active electrode is used only once in assembly
- Base UI: a warning will be displayed and coloring will be canceled if active electrode is used multiple times in assembly







 What
 • Hide invalid commands in modeltree

 • https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10985

 Why
 • Some commands are invalid in modeltree context menu if selected feature is not inside active component

 How
 • This issue is fixed



What	 Commands can be selected from co Applies to Creo Parametric 4.0 and a https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/1 	Commands can be selected from context menu for suppressed electrodes Applies to Creo Parametric 4.0 and 5.0 https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10518				
Why	Component selections are not auton	natically skipped in above Creo versions				
Resolution	 Issue is fixed Commands are removed for suppression of the suppression of the supervision of the supe	ssed features				
	Before	After				



What

- Crash in Base UI if no workpiece model found
- https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10488

Why

Resolution

- It's not possible to read workpiece information if no component in assembly is marked as workpiece
- Parameter SE_CORE_MODEL=1 not available
- Issue is fixed
- Always check if an active workpiece can be found and cancel functionality if necessary



What

- Command 'New with Base' does not work anymore
- https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10407

Why

- SMARTElectrode checks selected template for completeness before its used
- This includes check for parameters
 - SE_EDM_SUPPLIER
 - SE_EDM_TYPE
- Command is canceled if any expected parameter is missing



- Issued is fixed
- SMARTElectrode extracts supplier and type from selected data file: configuration/electrode/<supplier>/<type>.dat









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What's New





What	 Added threshold to show a warning if contact area covers more than defined percentage of blank area [https://redmine.buw-soft.de/issues/10357]
Who needs it	 Users who output effective contact area for EDM programming
Details/Usage	 SE performs a fast contact area calculation when Base UI is opened and contact area is 0 Slower more exact calculation can by started by user in UI
	 Check UI always performs the exact calculation
	Option "CONTACT_AREA_MAX_COVERAGE" defines valid percentage CONTACT_AREA_MAX_COVERAGE 80 Maximum valid coverage of the blank area with contact areas in percent.
	 Warnings are shown in Base UI and Burnsheet notifications Burn-Area 196.058 Multications

Undersize

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Quantity Contact area covers > 80% of blank area. Run detailed analysis or check value.

A Contact area covers >80% of blank area. Run detailed analysis or check











SMARTElectrode 12.0.3.1

What's New



Fix: Export options not working





- 1: duplicates overburn value (2:1)
- 2: halves overburn value (1:2)



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Enhancement: Separate Templates



- Reference assembly: configuration/model/se_reference.asm
- Reference part: configuration/model/se reference.prt
- Electrode: configuration/model/se electrode.prt
- Analysis model: configuration\model\se_analysis.prt
- Manufacturing assembly: configuration/model/se_mfg.asm
- Workpiece: configuration/model/se_mfg_workpiece.prt

Improvement: Blank Selection





- 15x15x75
- 15x15x100
- SMARTElectrode tries to select best fitting template when base is created

Save Export to Workspace



Created output files can be saved to workspace automatically now What Necessary if all manufacturing information is passed via PDMLink Who needs it To activate this feature open export configuration file **Details/Usage** configuration/export/<format name>/export.cfg Add option "WM COPY TO WORKSPACE YES" to add document as primary content

 Add option "WM_ADD_AS_SECONDARY_CONTENT YES" if document should be attached to electrode assembly as secondary content.



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Enhancement: UI Start Position



What

- Interactively define the start position of electrode
- Command is available if electrode component is activated

Who needs it

Users who want to optimize start positions for EDM

Details/Usage

Defined start position overrides default start position and csys feature STARTPOS in electrode model



- Learn more:
- <u>https://www.buw-soft.de/en/2020/02/21/new-user-interface-start-position/</u>
- https://youtu.be/254n3AtqQDA

Enhancement: Selection by Toolpath



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Improvement: Shape-based Selection



Bosses Coaxial

Dynamic Editing of Cutout





Workpiece dimensions on drawing

Add workpiece dimensions to any drawing sheet Customers who want to create workpiece dimensions on electrode documentation

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Who needs it

What

- Update of my_drawing_format.cfg necessary to use this feature
- Learn more:
- https://www.buw-soft.de/en/2020/02/21/add-workiece-dimensionsautomatically/
- <u>https://youtu.be/iH1Ou_HutEY</u>

Improvement: Import 3rd party EDM

https://voutu.be/vg- laOuVh8



What	 New import workflow is available for Creo part files or neutral formats STEP/IGES SMARTElectrode adds datums to imported electrode to enable most of the functionality
Who needs it	 Customers who need to work with existing electrodes not designed in SMARTElectrode
Details/Usage	 Due to the variety of design approaches, there may be restrictions in use Learn more: <u>https://www.buw-soft.de/en/2020/02/21/improved-workflow-for-import-of-thirdparty-electrodes/</u>



SMARTElectrode 12.0.1.3

What's New



Enhancement: Redefine Operation





Notifications in Burnsheet







Improvement: Multiprog Output





Who needs it

What

Customers using output for Ingersoll Multiprog

Details/Usage

- Learn more:
- https://www.buw-soft.de/en/2019/11/18/data-output-improvements-foringersoll/

New Templates for Creo NC



Empty template MFG_DEFAULT

- Template for 3-axis milling MFG_3AXIS
- Template for ModuleWorks MFG_MODULEWORKS

Who needs it

What

Customers who do NC programming in Creo

Details/Usage

Learn more:





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Enhancement: UI Post-Processor





Enhancement: UI Cutout







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		New	Cutout		×
С	0.000	× i	Offset	0.100	× i
Х	-15.800	*	Length	1.200	* *
Y	3.375	* *	Width	3.450	* *
Z	-12.028	* *	Depth	1.100	* *
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Enhancement: Redefine Assembly





Who needs it

What

Customers who need to add or remove models from definition of reference parts

Details/Usage

Start redefinition via ribbon More functionality like renaming of assembly may be added later





Improvement: Burn-Area in Base UI





Definition of values in overburn_calc.txt necessary to use 'Query Undersize'

Workpiece		ST37		
Material		Graphite	2	-
Quality		-		-
Bur	n-Area 🔻	3.93559		
UNI	Fast Calc Exact Cal Query Ur	ulation culation idersize	:e •	Quantity 1 A

Improvement: Output Files



Exports are named like selected operation by default

Advantage

What

This allows export of operations one after another without changing the name interactively

Export Object			
SimpRep.	DEFAULT REP	Ŧ	
 Operation 	DEFAULT REP		
O Selected	SE_WORKPIECES		
Gap/Undersize	JS748100_AS_OP_01		
1:1	JS748100_AS_EDM_01		
O x2 (RADIUS	JS748100_AS-021		
O :2 (DIAMETER to RADIUS)			

Improvement: Simpreps in Output UI





Who needs it

What

Customers who want to output a subset of electrodes

Details/Usage

Use simplified representations for repair or new electrodes necessary through design change

Export Object	
SimpRep.	DEFAULT REP 👻
Operation	DEFAULT REP
O Selected	SE_WORKPIECES
Gap/Undersize	JS748100_AS_OP_01
1:1	JS748100_AS_EDM_01
O x2 (RADIUS	JS748100_AS-021
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