Snow for Engineering Apps
LEVEL 1 Monitor License Usage
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As organizations grow and their IT requirements become more complex, effectively and accurately tracking license usage across the entire enterprise becomes more difficult and complicated. In addition, IT managers are often faced with a shrinking budget and are compelled to do more with less. They are driven to increase productivity while reducing software usage costs. While this is not an impossible proposition, this situation requires IT managers to utilize a powerful license usage metering tool that will offer a complete solution to these challenges by providing a comprehensive overview of the whole enterprise, as well as the ability to drill down to the deepest details of license usage.

SNOW FOR ENGINEERING (SFE) APPS LEVEL 1 provides an enterprise view of software applications that are enabled by license management servers, showing when and by whom they are used over time, by location, business unit or project group. It can enable chargeback accounting, usage-based license agreements, accurate workflow analysis and optimal license usage. By monitoring software usage and providing simpler management of software licenses, SFE Level 1 helps cut software license costs and reduce wastage on license usage. Generated reports can range from a worldwide total enterprise view down to a single user, real-time or historical, viewed on a web browser, printed, or exported to popular spreadsheets.

Popular SFE Level 1 reports include named-user license usage, users checking out multiple licenses at any one time, time trend license usage, license denial reports, and site and global concurrent license usage comparison with named-user licenses.

KEY BENEFITS

- Monitor license denials and document shortage of software licenses.

- Monitor technology uptake and uncover training needs.

- Document best practices and support business process improvements.

- Use objective reports that facilitate communication between business units.

- Enable chargeback of software costs to each business unit.

- Measure and demonstrate ROI of IT investments.

- Plan budget more proactively.

- Align IT software with business needs. Reduce expenses.

- Be more prepared for negotiations with vendors.

- Allow for pay-per-use agreements with software vendors.

- Structure software license agreements with license sharing across time zones.

- Document software license compliance.

SUPPORT FOR LICENSE MANAGEMENT SERVERS

Supported license management servers currently include Aladdin Hardlock (NetHASP), Altair License Manager, Altium, Animator, Beta LM, Bentley Select, Hosted Bentley Server, ClearCase, DSLS, Encom, Enterprise Architect LM, EOD (Exceed on Demand), FLEXlm/FlexNet, GHSlm (Green Hills), HQMS, Easy Copy, Fekete License Manager, Honeywell ULM, IBM LUM, Jazz Team Server, LM-X, LS-Dyna, MathLM, Olicense, OrcaFlex (Orcina License Manager), Parasoft License Server, Peloton, Reprise (RLM), Sentinel HASP (NetHASP), Sentinel RMS, SlickEdit, SmartPlant, STI License Manager, Vector (Dongle), Codemeter (Dongle), and Wibukey (Dongle). Support for other license managers may be added upon request.


LICENSE MONITOR DASHBOARD. Our web-based monitoring component provides a complete, real-time overview of software usage on all license servers, worldwide.

FLEXIBLE & CUSTOMIZABLE REPORTING

- Use the reporting component to present detailed usage statistics from license managers deployed across the company, even internationally.

- Produce graphical or tabular reports showing license usage overtime, such as maximum, minimum and average use.

- Provide vendors with accurate software usage documentation based on SFE's unalterable license metering data.

- Observe software users' proficiency by monitoring usage patterns of various user groups. Managers can see how and where to improve workflow efficiency to provide targeted support and training.

- Produce accurate workflow analysis and implement optimal license usage by customizing reports to better interpret the collected data.

- Create internal chargeback invoices by adding license cost information.
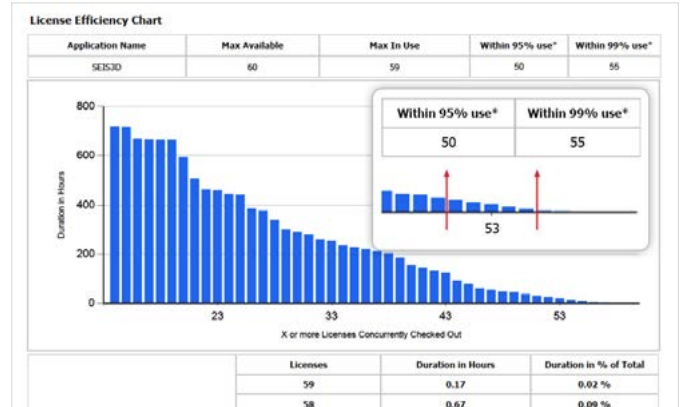
LICENSE EFFICIENCY GRAPH. A view of license usage sorted by concurrent checked-out quantity.
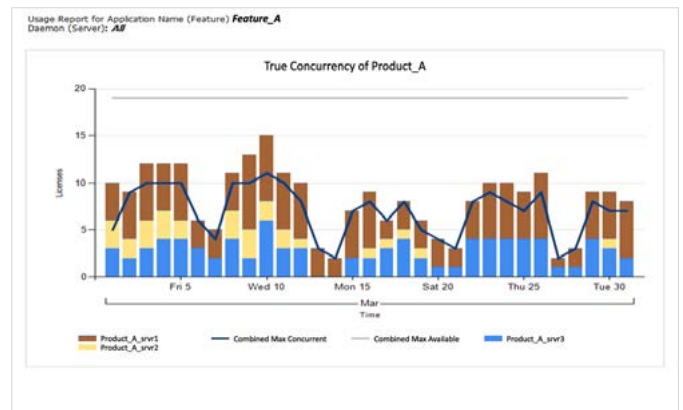
TRUE CONCURRENCY REPORT. Global usage report for a specific application showing true globally concurrent license usage.

HEATMAP GRAPH.
Heatmap gives an overview of what specific day and hour of the week is the busiest for license use.

SNOW FOR ENGINEERING APPS

Snow for Engineering Apps is offered in three (3) levels of functionality (Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3), where each level extends and builds on functionality from the preceding level.

LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
Monitor License Usage	**Analyze Application Activity**	**Deploy Licenses Efficiently**
Meter and report on Check In/Out from License Manager	Add ability to meter and report if user is Active/Inactive while license is checked out	Add ability to notify, terminate or suspend an application based upon inactivity policies and thresholds
Proactive Alerts		
Real-time License Monitor Dashboards		