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2025's User Meeting – Maestria

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Maestria 7.8.4 release content (delivered Jan. 2025)

- **Distributed components updated (PCE, PCA, PCB, IDE, PCM)**
- **Windows Server 2022 officially supported**
- **RLM licensing system supported**
 - FlexLM is still supported
 - RLM system more stable than FlexLM (see next PCE section)
 - RLM system is used by other PDF products (Exensio, etc) permitting unique license server
 - A smooth migration from FlexLM to RLM is possible (possibility to switch by platform, or only the 7.8.4 components)

Maestria 7.8.4 release content (delivered Jan. 2025)

■ PCB specific updates:

- Optimizations related to versioning: merging some versioning operations and reducing operation calls (decrease x10)
- FDC robustness increase:
- MSTR-7178 PCB creates a wrong Filters.sic file when selecting an empty strategy folder (missing AllDCTime window)
 - MSTR-6907 PCB should ask user confirmation before creating default strategy files when empty strategy folder is detected
 - MSTR-7124 PCB checks/updates the VariablesDictionary of Group level only (not Tool) when selecting a strategy in PCB treeview

■ PCA specific updates:

- MSTR-7338 The grouping legend added to the temporal and univariate charts exports is truncated if the group names are too long
- MSTR-7062 Unable to display group colors in DCQV trend chart

■ PCE specific updates:

- OPC UA protocol supported in PCE (available as an option)
 - SMTP protocol now supports Authentication
 - Omron PLC FINS protocol officially supported
- Increase FDC robustness:
- Random SBMgrSrv crashes + PCE crashing after 776 days of run => fixed when using RLM license type
 - ExternaPassThrough crash occurring very rarely
 - IDCM manages when the SelectControlStrategyConfiguration.sic file cannot be loaded (to avoid missing FDC)
- Other bug fixes:
- [DAQFile] When a variable has no value in the trace file, other variables get empty in temporal chart

Note: 7.8.4 release is already deployed in production (~250 PCE instances)

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Versioning enhancements

■ Rework done to increase stability and performances (X10+)

Stability increase:

- Security checks added in the code around files accesses to prevent repository files corruption
- Rework of the versioning repository : split by tool to limit a repo corruption to a tool instead of whole fab

Performances increases:

- Repository split by tool also enhances the performances
- Server optimization: merge the IsStrategyVersioned + GetLastVersionNumber operations into a single GetStrategyInfo operation
- Server optimization: merge the GetVersionsList and GetLastVersionNumber operations into a single GetVersionsListWithLast operation
- PCB optimization: decrease the number of operation calls made by PCB when editing and saving a strategy

■ Development status:

- Versioning-svn18417 beta version provided to several sites in Jan. 2025
- Two changes have been added since then (in version Versioning-svn18419):
 - Versioning server adaptation to support BSM (StrategyCommit XMLIE command from temp folder)
 - Stability increase: After a commit failure, server returns wrong last version leading to strategy corrupted in the repository

■ Official version delivery planned for Q2 2025

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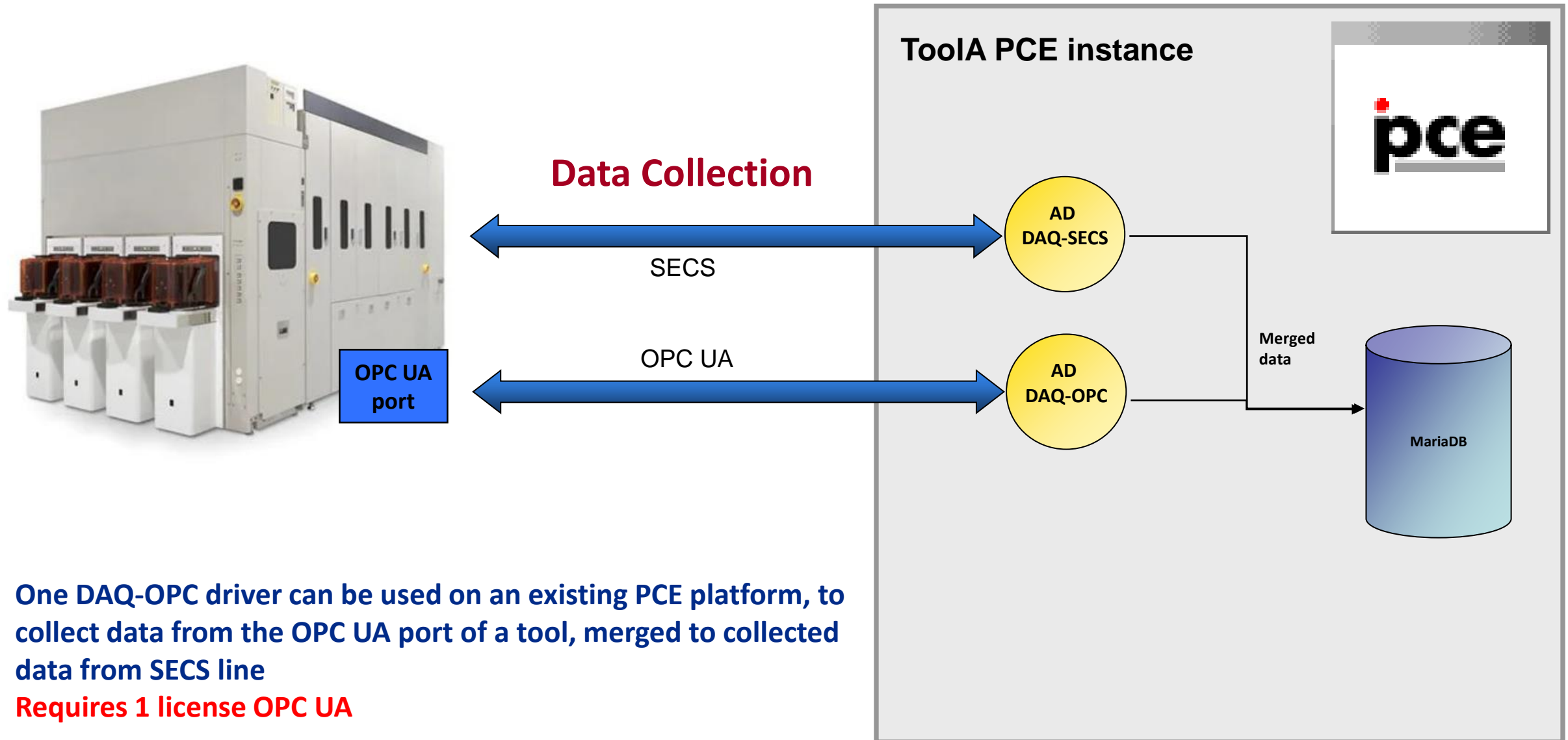
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New option: OPC UA connectivity

- OPC UA connectivity is now available, as an option (i.e. not part of M&S)
- A license is required for each connection (i.e. each DAQ_OPC driver instance)
- This connectivity can be used to collect additional data to existing tools, as an external sensor
- It can also be used to collect data on facilities (i.e. robots/sensors/PLCs) that are managing OPC UA protocol

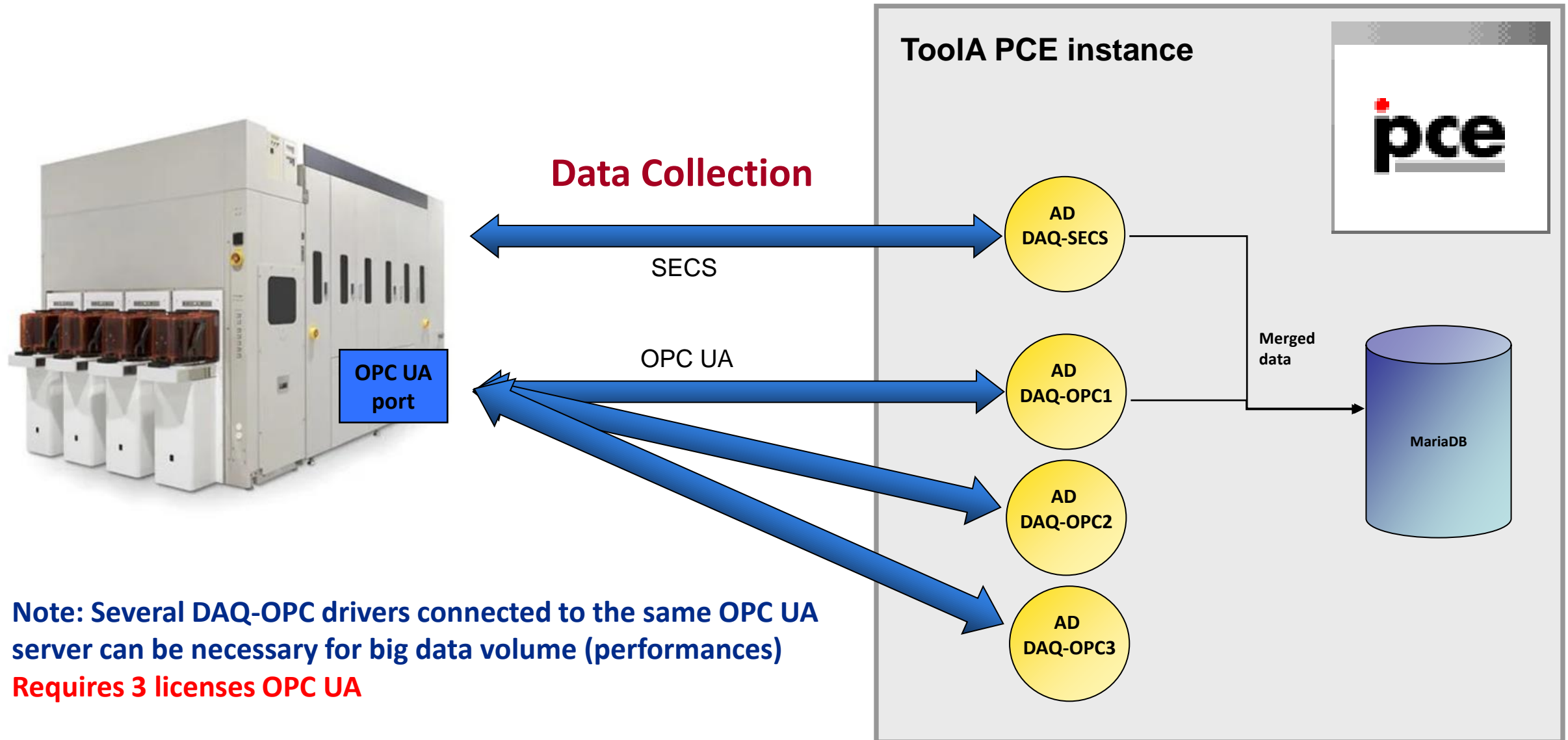
OPC UA connection example: additional data to existing PCE



One DAQ-OPC driver can be used on an existing PCE platform, to collect data from the OPC UA port of a tool, merged to collected data from SECS line

Requires 1 license OPC UA

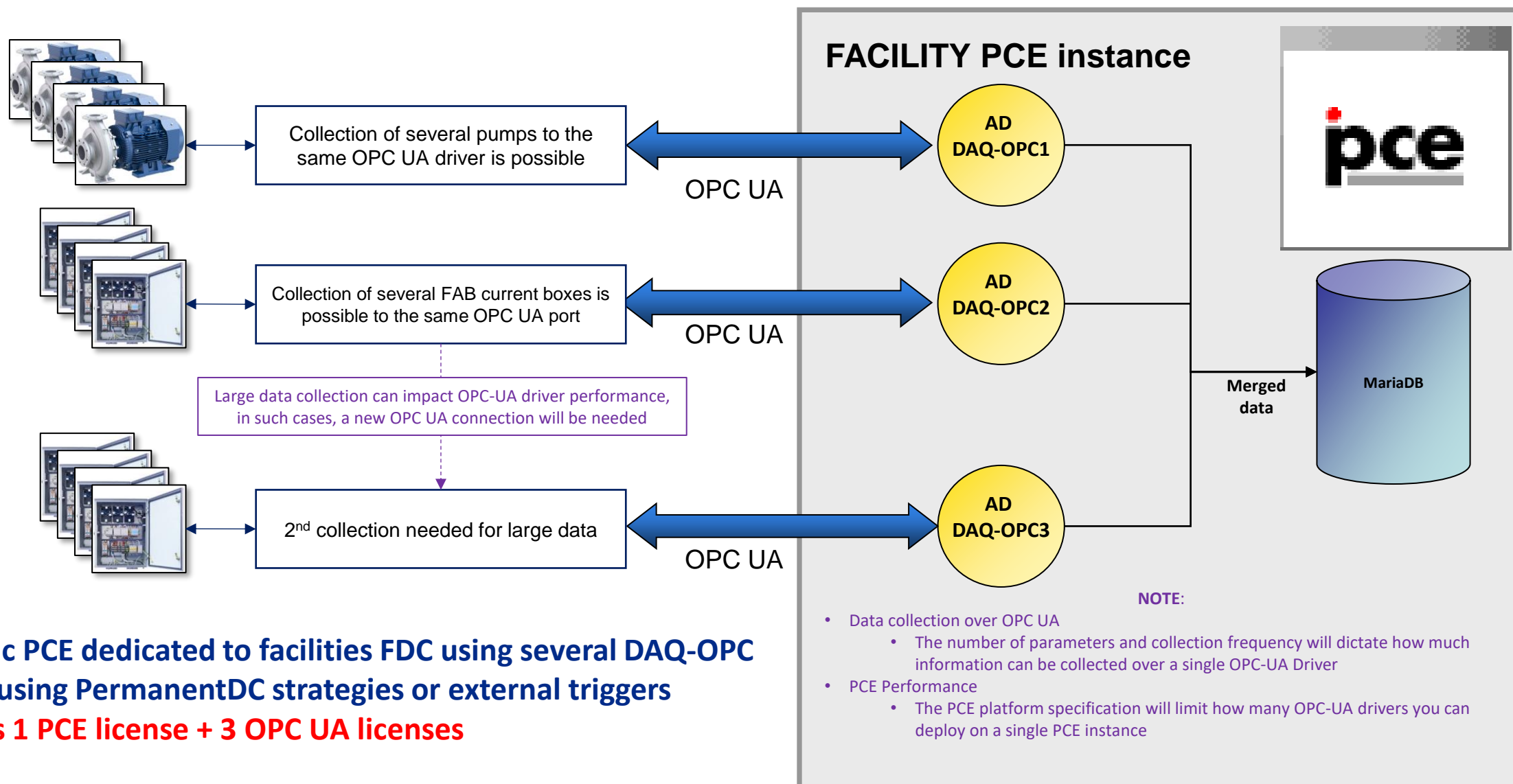
OPC UA connection example: additional data to existing PCE



Note: Several DAQ-OPC drivers connected to the same OPC UA server can be necessary for big data volume (performances)

Requires 3 licenses OPC UA

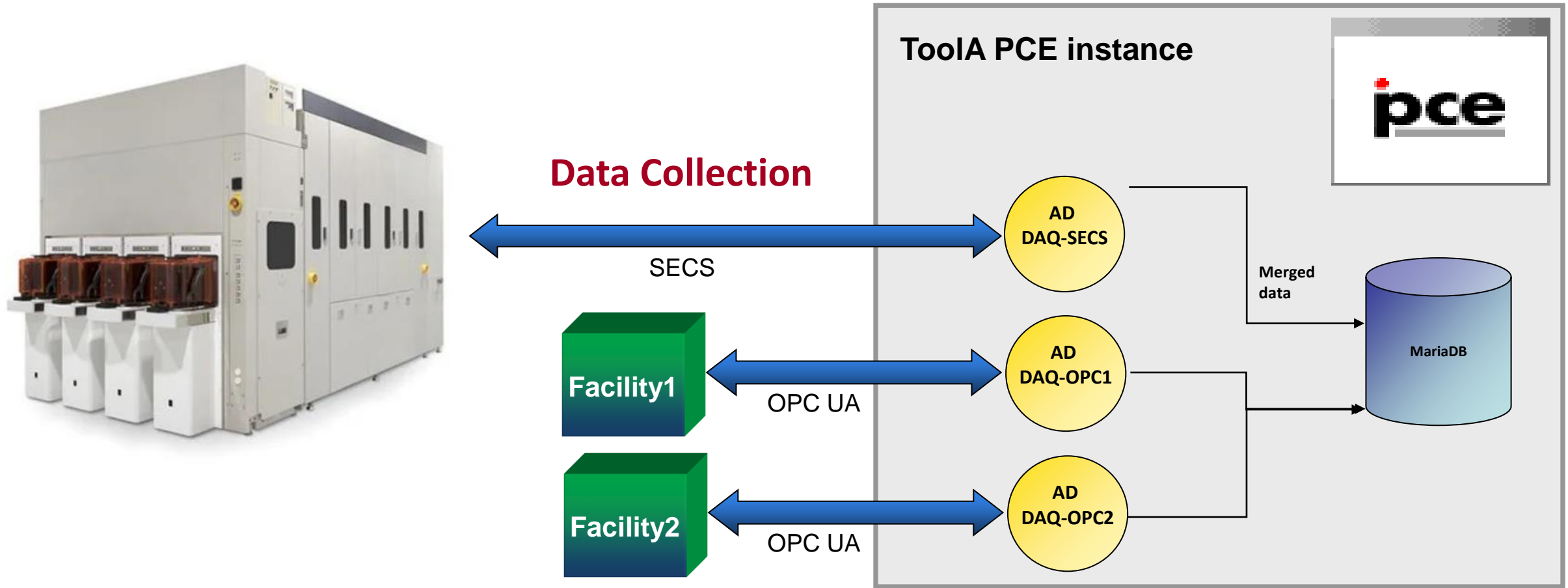
OPC UA connection example: facility data on dedicated PCE



A specific PCE dedicated to facilities FDC using several DAQ-OPC drivers, using PermanentDC strategies or external triggers

Requires 1 PCE license + 3 OPC UA licenses

OPC UA connection example: facility data on existing PCE



Cost optimization: add some DAQ-OPC drivers on existing PCE platform, to collect data from facilities

Risks: performance issues impacting this ToolA FDC, facility alarms associated to wrong equipment name.

Requires 2 additional OPC UA

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Next Maestria enhancements: next releases content

Next features planned for 7.9 release:

■ Connectivity continuous enhancements:

- HTTP REST (Get, Post, Put, Patch and Delete) methods supported on http and https URI (available)
- Apache Pulsar compatibility, publish and subscribe on Apache Pulsar queues
- Apache Kafka compatibility, publish and subscribe on Apache Kafka queues
- EDA connectivity enhancements (collecting EDA data as external sensor)

■ Security enhancements:

- 3-tier FSR connection
- Remove the dependency to MSXML and SoapToolkit third parties

■ Efficiency enhancements:

- Continue enhancing BSM application for efficient FDC model management

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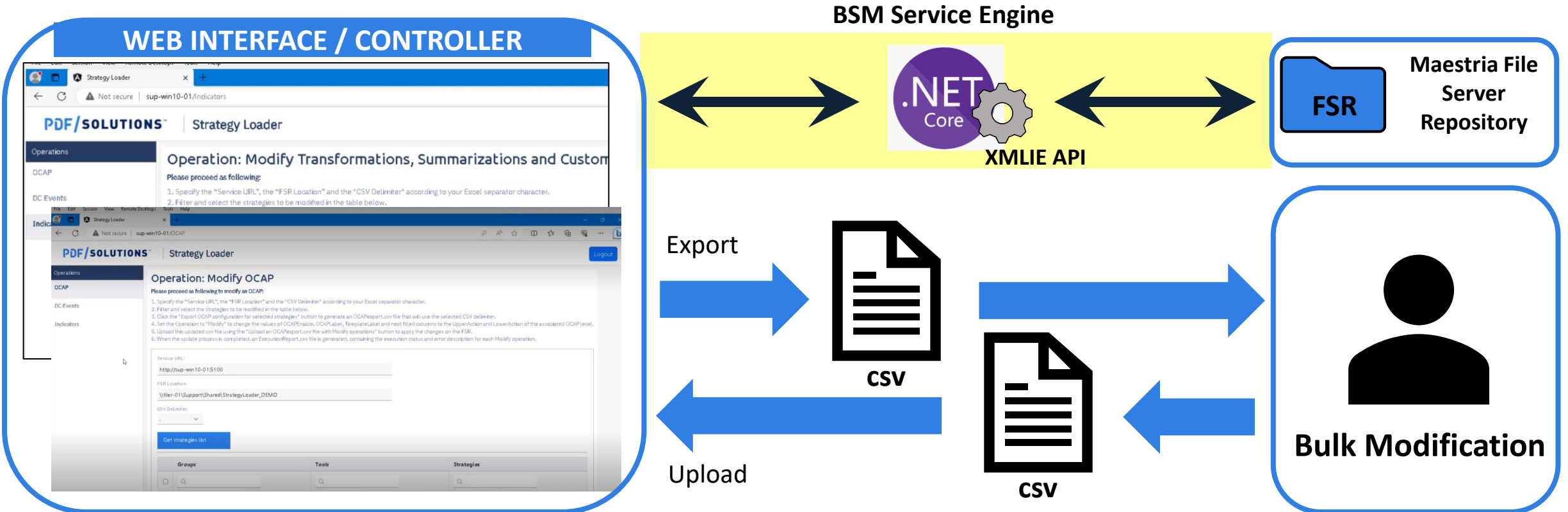
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Bulk Strategy Manager (BSM) application overview

- **What does it do?** Allows bulk creation/copy/modification of FDC strategies to reduce maintenance and implementation time for new and existing equipments, processes, and control plans
- **When is it available?** Now, as a Maestria option



BSM application overview: purpose

- PCB is not addressing massive strategies changes/adaptations requiring manpower
- BSM exports strategies configuration into csv files through your web browser, so that massive changes can easily be made through Microsoft Excel
- BSM also processes the csv file to automatically apply the changes on the FSR
- BSM then provides an execution report providing detailed execution status
- BSM is not intended to replace PCB, it should be used by FDC leaders only (expected 1-2 instances per site)
- Possible use cases:
 - IT Maintenance: update/deploy DCEvent templates, OCAPs templates, etc
 - FDC maintenance: update/deploy variables, indicators, update SPC limits massively, etc
 - Clean up: align strategies definitions, merge strategies to optimize perfs, etc

BSM application overview - UI content/workflow

■ The BSM application is split in 7 operations:

- **StrategyManipulation:** to create, clone, rename, activate, deactivate, delete strategies
- **DCEvents:** to modify the DC template (according to groups templates definitions)
- **DCPlan:** to modify sample times and variables (according to data dictionaries content)
- **Windows:** to add, modify, delete, rename the temporal and univariate windows
- **Indicators:** to add, modify, delete, rename the transformations, summarizations, and custom indicators
- **SPCLimits:** to add, modify, delete the SPC limit values
- **OCAPs:** to add, modify, delete the OCAP templates and parameters

■ Each operation provides the same workflow:

- a strategy search frame,
- an “Export to csv” feature
- an “Import csv command file” feature.

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BSM application demo

Use case:

Update SPC limits,

Of the *AllDCTime_Max(Life_LFRF_S2_Time)* indicators
of all the strategies of the AMAT tools,
associated to the “Recipe2” recipes

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BSM development status

Operations	Add	Modify	Rename	Delete
Strategies Manipulation	Available			
DCEvents + DCQL	<i>n/a</i>	Available	<i>n/a</i>	<i>n/a</i>
DCPlan	Available	Available	<i>n/a</i>	Q3 2025
Windows	Available	Available	Q3 2025	Available
Indicators	Available	Available	Available	Available
SPCLimits	Available	Available	<i>n/a</i>	Available
OCAPs	Available	Available	<i>n/a</i>	Available

Versioning integration into BSM: development on-going (Q2 2025)

Note: The BSM application is currently used in production in 5 customer sites

Maestria + E-PC survey

A survey has been sent to our FDC customers

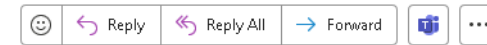
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We would greatly appreciate it if you could submit your response by April 9, 2025. (The survey will remain open until the end of April)
The results of the survey will be shared during our upcoming user meeting.

Please forward this survey to other Exensio/Maestria users in your company. To ensure they receive the survey results, future surveys, and product information, kindly share their names and email addresses with us.

Thank you for your time and valuable input. We look forward to your feedback.

Best regards ,

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