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1 Introduction

1.1 Welcome to tiBase

Introduction



tiBase is a program for administrating analysis data on the basis of PC/LIMS reports. These reports can be read from the corresponding Metrohm instruments.

Overview of the main program features

- *User interface: easy to operate and configure*
- *Application*
- *Comprehensive online help*
- *Program versions*

1.4 Connecting devices

Introduction

PC/LIMS reports can be read into tiBase from:

- Titrino plus
848, 870, 877
- 862 Compact Titrosampler
- Titrande
808, 809, 835, 836, 841, 842, 855, 857, 888, 890, 901, 902, 904, 905,
906, 907
Control by Touch Control 5.840.0150 or PC Control 6.0

1.5 Database

Introduction

tiBase is based on an **object-oriented database**, that has proven itself in practice. In the **configuration database**, all program settings, user administration, methods and templates are stored and in the **determination databases** defined by the user, the determination data. These databases can be installed locally on the computer reserved for measurements and make up a simple measurement system. **tiBase** is however scalable and grows with operational requirements. As soon as data security and central data management make it necessary, **tiBase** is installed as a **Client/Server configuration**. The **tiBase** database is then installed on a server. All measurement and office computers work as clients. All results are stored centrally in this network and can be accessed and processed by all Client PCs. All clients also access the same pool of methods.

The new database has all the major tools necessary for management of, searching for and grouping of results. Quick filters allow the user to search through thousands of determinations within seconds and to display the result clearly. Chart plots give a fast overview of the sequence of results based on time.

All options for **reprocessing** are available to the user.

Overview of functions

- Object-oriented Client/Server database (see Chapter 3.2.3.1, page 91).
- Layout manager for the database view (see Chapter 4.1.7, page 115).
- Quick filter (see Chapter 4.5.2.4.3, page 210).
- Efficient search functions (see Chapter 4.5.2.3, page 207).
- Access rights control for every database (see Chapter 4.3.5.3, page 124).



- Automatic database backup (see Chapter 4.3.5.4, page 124).
- Control cards (see Chapter 4.5.2.16, page 248).
- Reprocess determinations (see Chapter 4.5.2.6, page 220).

1.6 Communication

Introduction

The decisive factor for acceptance is easy and economical **integration** in existing laboratory information systems, central databases and long-term archiving systems.

tiBase is communicative. Data generated in **tiBase** can be exported in XML and CSV format. Connection to LIMS systems on the market is thus not difficult. Export to long-term archiving systems such as NuGenesis SDMS or Scientific Software Cyberlab is also supported.

The **Report generator** provides a simple and flexible solution for creating analysis reports. The report generator allows you to freely define the report. It is therefore possible at any time to display one or more determinations in a choice of PDF layouts or as a printout.

Overview of functions

- Import of PC/LIMS reports (*see Chapter 3.4.3, page 103*)
- Various export formats, e.g. XML, CSV, SLK (*see Chapter 4.4.4.2.1, page 174*).
- Report designer (*see Chapter 4.4.1.4.1.1, page 131*).
- E-mail functions for security settings (*see Chapter 3.2.2.7, page 89*).
- Sending determinations by E-mail (*see Chapter 4.5.2.7, page 242*).

1.7 Conformity

Introduction

With regard to **GMP and GLP requirements**, **tiBase** sets new standards. The latest quality standards and validation procedures were implemented in developing and programming the software. A centralized user administration defines the access rights for program functions and determinations, whereby any number of users with freely definable access profiles are possible. The system administrator can conveniently access the user administration from any tiBase client. Access to the software is password-protected and there is a choice of tiBase or Windows login.

The use of **digital signatures** makes it possible to sign determinations. There are two signatures available with differing properties. With the first signature (Level 1, Review) the user confirms that he has programmed the method correctly or carried out the analysis correctly. With the second signature (Level 2, Release) the method or result is released and protected

All data is organized according to the **version** and protected against unauthorized access, modification or deleting in the database. The database itself controls access to the data in network operation and provides archiving and restore functions.

- Conformity is priority in development and validation.
- Centralized user administration (*see Chapter 3.2.1.1, page 74*).
- Detailed access rights (*see Chapter 3.2.1.2.2, page 77*).
- Password protection under tiBase or Windows (*see Chapter 3.2.2.2, page 83*).
- Digital signature on two levels (*see Chapter 2.3, page 11*).
- One signature each for methods and results.
- Documentation of all determination modifications (*see Chapter 4.5.2.13, page 246*)

Introduction

	tiBase 1.0 full	tiBase 1.0 multi	Upgrade
Product	6.6063.102	6.6063.103	6.6063.108
User administration	•	•	
Security settings	•	•	
Client/Server support		•	
Number of licenses	1	3	
Additional licenses as an option		•	
XML data export to LIMS	•	•	
Upgrade possible	•	•	

1.9 Online help

Introduction

Calling up the Help

tiBase has an extensive and detailed online help that can be requested in two ways:

- **General request** With the menu item **Help ► tiBase Help**, or the symbol  the online help with the topic *Welcome to tiBase* is opened. From there you can jump via **Contents**, **Index**, **Search** or personal **Favorites** to the desired topic.
- **Context-sensitive request** With the function key **[F1]** on the keyboard you can jump directly to the topic which will show information on the active element in **tiBase** (dialog window, tab).

Symbols and conventions

The following symbols and styles are used in this documentation:

<i>Configuration</i>	Link to another help topic in which information is shown for the marked term.
Database	Dialog text Designation for names of parameters, menu items, tabs and dialog windows in the software.
100	Designation for parameter values in input fields.
File ► New	Menu or menu item; Path needed to reach a certain point in the program.
[Continue]	Button
	Formula editor Formulae can be entered in fields with this symbol, and the formula editor opens when you click on the symbol (<i>see Chapter 2.4, page 17</i>).
1	Instruction step Carry out these steps in the sequence shown.
	Caution This symbol draws attention to a possible risk of damage to instruments or instrument parts.
	Note This symbol marks additional information and tips.

2 General program functions

2.1 Program parts

2.1.1 Program parts

General program functions

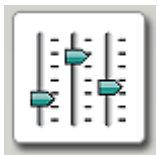
tiBase has two different program parts which can be opened by clicking on the corresponding symbol in the vertical bar on the left. The symbol for the opened program part is shown in color, the symbol for the other program part in black and white. The menus, symbol bars and content of the main window depend on the program part currently opened.



Database program part

- Opening/closing databases
- Managing databases
- Reprocessing
- Creating report templates

Configuration program part



- Configuration of data import, login, backup etc.
- Security settings
- User administration
- Program administration



Note

Access to a program part can be deactivated in the user administration. In this case the corresponding symbol is disabled.

2.1.2 Database - Desktop

Program part: **Database**

Database symbol



Clicking on the database symbol in the vertical bar on the left opens the program part **Database** while, at the same time the database symbol is

shown in color. The upper left corner of the symbol contains a black field displaying the number of databases currently opened (*see Chapter 4.2.2, page 119*).

Elements

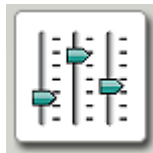
The desktop of the program part **Database** comprises the following elements:

- Database-specific menu bar.
- Database-specific toolbar.
- Main window in which up to 6 subwindows can be displayed.

2.1.3 Configuration - Desktop

Program part: **Configuration**

Configuration symbol



By clicking on on the configuration symbol in the vertical bar at the left-hand margin the program part **Configuration** is opened, at the same time the configuration symbol is shown in color.

Elements

The desktop of the program part **Configuration** comprises the following elements:

- Configuration-specific menu bar.
- Configuration specific toolbar.
- Main window in which 2 subwindows are displayed.

2.2 Login/password protection

2.2.1 General information on Login/Password protection

Program part: **Configuration / Database**

Login into tiBase

tiBase can be configured so that all users have to log in with their **user name** and **password** and this data is automatically checked. This requires a **user administration** to be set up and the corresponding **security settings** to be made. This data is saved in the configuration database. In the case of client/server systems, this is on the server and applies globally for all clients (central user administration).

Recommended settings

On the tab **Login/Password protection** in the dialog window **Security settings** the button **[Set]** has to be pressed in order to set the settings. The following conditions are therefore complied with:

- A **login with user name and password** is required each time the program is started.
- Depending on the setting the **password administration** is carried out in **tiBase** or **Windows**.
- **User names** must be **unique**. Users entered once cannot be deleted.
- **Passwords** must be **unique** per user. None of the expired passwords already used once by the user may be reused.
- Passwords must comprise a **minimum number of characters**.
- Passwords must be changed according to a defined **validity period**.
- The **number of incorrect login attempts** to enter the password is limited. If this number is exceeded, the user will automatically be set to the status **inactive**.

Actions

If the login is activated, the following actions can be performed:

- *Log in at program start*
- *Manual logout*
- *Automatic logout*
- *Change password*

2.2.2 Login

Program parts: **Configuration / Database**

If both the options **Enforce login with user name** and **Enforce login with password** are activated in the **Security settings**, the dialog window **Login** will appear every time the program is started and after each time the user logs out.

User

Entering a short name for the user.

Input	24 characters
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Password

Password entry.

Input	24 characters
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Note

Users who log in for the first time or users whose status has been reset from **inactive** or **removed** back to **active**, must log in with the **Start password** (see Chapter 3.2.1.3.1, page 80) specified by the administrator. Afterwards, the window **Change password** will automatically be opened, in which a new password has to be entered.

[Change password]

Opens the window **Change password**, in which the new password has to be entered and confirmed.

[Cancel]

The login is canceled, the program is terminated.

2.2.3 Log out manually

Menu item: **Configuration / Database ▶ File ▶ Logout**

A logged in user can logout at any time with the menu item **File ► Log-out**. The logout options defined in the **Security settings** apply. After the logout the **Login** appears, allowing a new user to log in.

2.2.4 Log out automatically

Program part: **Configuration**

If the automatic logout is activated in the **Security Settings**, the user will then automatically be logged out after a definite waiting time if he does not perform any operating functions via the keyboard or mouse. Afterwards the **Login** window opens, in which however only the same user or the members of the same user group can log in.



Note

Users with administrator rights can always log in.

2.2.5 Changing password

Dialog window: **Log in** ► **[Change password]** ► **Change password**



Note

In **tiBase**, the password can only be changed if the option **Password monitoring by tiBase** is set in the security settings.

[Change password]

This button in the dialog window **Login** opens the window **Change password**, in which the new password has to be entered and confirmed.



Note

The password always has to be changed before the **Validity** of the password expires. For users who are logging in for the first time or users whose status has been reset from **inactive** or **removed** back to **active**, this window is automatically opened after logging in with the **Start Password**. For **Old Password** you also need to enter the **Start Password** specified by the Administrator.

Old password

Entry of the previous password.

Input	24 characters
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New password

Entry of the new password. The password options are defined in the **Security settings** on the tab **Login/Password protection**.

Input	24 characters
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Confirm password

Confirmation of the new password.

Input	24 characters
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2.3 Electronic signatures

2.3.1 Rules for electronic signatures

Program part: **Database**

In tiBase determinations can be **electronically signed** at two levels. The following rules apply for this:

- **Signature levels**
Signature levels for determinations can be signed at two levels (Signature Level 1 and Signature Level 2) by entering the user name and password.
- **Multiple signing**
Determinations can be signed several times at each level.
- **Sign at Level 1**
If Level 2 has been signed then no more signatures are possible at Level 1.



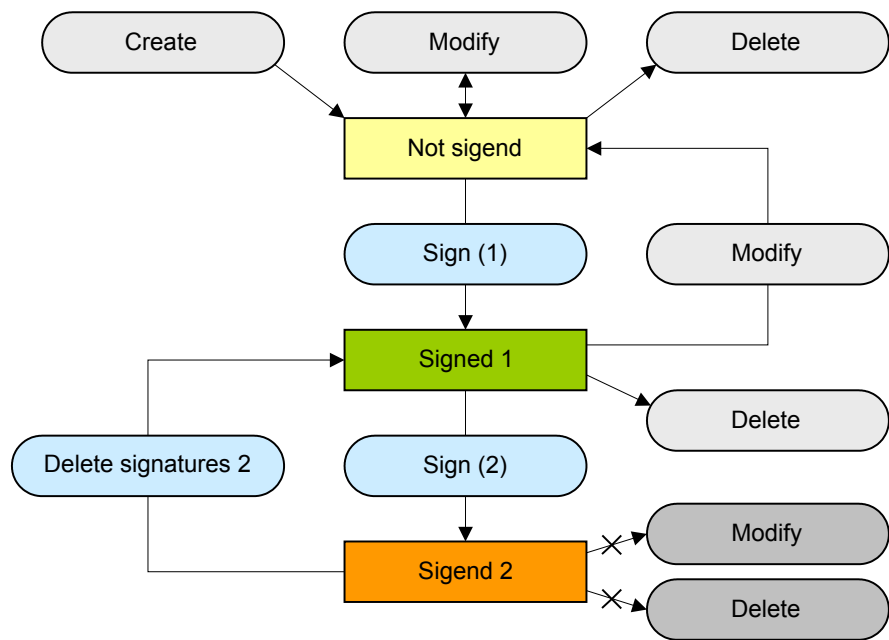
- **Sign at Level 2**
Level 2 can only be signed if signatures already exist at Level 1.
- **Different users**
The same user may only sign on either Level 1 or Level 2.
- **Reason and comment**
Each signature must be accompanied by a reason selected from predefined default reasons. A further comment can also be entered.
- **Saved data**
The signature date, user name, full name, reason and comments are saved for each signature.
- **Deleting signatures 1**
Signatures at Level 1 are automatically deleted again when compiling a new version.
- **Deleting signatures 2**
Signatures at Level 2 can only be deleted by users who have the appropriate rights.
- **Signature options**
The options for electronic signatures are set in the **Signatures** tab in the **Security settings** dialog window.

2.3.2 Procedure for electronic signatures

Program part: **Database**

Determinations exhibit one of the following three states in relation to signatures (see flow diagram):

- **Not signed**
Determinations which are not signed can be deleted and changed, a new version being created at each change.
- **Signed (1)**
When signing determinations at Level 1, no new versions are generated. If determinations signed at Level 1 are changed, a new version is generated, which no longer contains any signatures. Determinations signed at Level 1 can be deleted.
- **Signed (2)**
When signing determinations at Level 2, no new versions are generated. Determinations signed at Level 2 can neither be changed nor deleted. However, it is possible to delete the signatures (2), whereby the signatures (1) are retained.



2.3.3 Signature Level 1

Dialog window:Database ▶ Determinations ▶ Sign ▶ Signature
1... ▶ Signature Level 1

Determinations can be signed at Level 1 in the **Signature Level 1** window.



Note

Determinations which have been signed at Level 1 can be changed and deleted. If the altered method or determination is saved as a new version then all existing signatures will be deleted automatically, i.e. the method or determination must be signed again.

Info

Information display for signing and deleting signatures. The following messages are possible:

Selection	Signature possible (signature 2 exists) Signature 1 not possible (accessed by other client) Signature not possible for multiple determinations
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Signature possible

The selected determination can be signed.



Signature 1 not possible (signature 2 exists)

The selected determination can no longer be signed at Level 1 as it has already been signed at Level 2.

Signature not possible (accessed by other client)

The selected determination cannot be signed as it is already marked to be signed on a different client.

Signature not possible for multiple determinations

Several determinations have been selected, they may however only be signed individually.

User

Entry of the user name (short name).

Input	24 characters
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Password

Password entry.

Input	24 characters
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Reason

Selection from the **Default reasons** defined in the **Security Settings** dialog window for the category **Signature level 1**.

Selection	Selection from the Default reasons
1. Selection 2. Selection from the Default reasons	1. Selection 2. Selection from the Default reasons

Comment

Entry of comment on the signature.

Input	1000 characters
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[Sign]

Sign determination. The window remains open.



Note

Determinations can only be signed at level 1 if the user belongs to a user group with the corresponding authorization .

2.3.4 Signature Level 2

**Dialog window:Database ▶ Determinations ▶ Sign ▶ Signature
2... ▶ Signature Level 2**

Determinations can be signed at Level 2 in the **Signature Level 2** window.



Selection	Signature possible Signature 2 not possible (signature 1 missing) Signature not possible (accessed by other client)
0	0
1	0
2	0
3	0
4	0
5	0
6	0
7	0
8	0
9	0
10	0
11	0
12	0
13	0
14	0
15	0
16	0
17	0
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89	0
90	0
91	0
92	0
93	0
94	0
95	0
96	0
97	0
98	0
99	0

The selected determination can be signed.

The selected determination cannot be signed at Level 2 as it has not yet been signed at Level 1.

The selected determination cannot be signed as it is already marked to be signed on a different client.

Input	24 characters
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Input	24 characters
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Selection	Selection from the Default reasons
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Input	1000 characters
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Sign determination. The window remains open.



Note

Determinations can only be signed at level 2 if the user belongs to a user group with the corresponding authorization .

2.3.5 Delete Signature Level 2

Dialog window:Database ▶ Determinations ▶ Sign ▶ Delete signatures 2... ▶ Delete Signatures Level 2

The **Delete Level 2 signatures** window allows you to delete all signatures on Level 2 for the selected methods or determination.

User

Entry of the user name (short name).

Input	24 characters
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Password

Password entry.

Input	24 characters
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Reason

Selection from the **Default reasons** defined in the **Security Settings** dialog window for the category **Signature level 2**.

Selection	Selection from the Default reasons
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Comment

Entry of comment on the signature.

Input	1000 characters
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[Delete]

Delete Signatures 2.



Note

Signatures 2 can only be deleted if the user belongs to a user group with the corresponding authorization.

2.4 Formula editor

Dialog window: **Formula editor**

The Formula editor serves as a support when entering formulas for calculating results. It has an automatic **Syntax check**, which is activated when applying the formula. The general rules of priority apply for the calculation operations.

The **Formula Editor** dialog window contains the following elements:

- **Input field**
Entry of the calculation formula (*see Chapter 2.4.1, page 17*).
- **Function buttons**
Buttons for the rapid entry of operators and parentheses (*see Chapter 2.4.1, page 17*).
- **Operators/functions**
Selection of the operators and functions variables available for the calculation formula (*see Chapter 2.4.4.1, page 32*).
- **Description**
Description of the selected variables, operators or functions.

2.4.1 Input field

Dialog window: **Formula editor**

The calculation formula is entered in the input field of the Formula Editor. The following options are available for the entry:

Entry via keyboard

- **Numbers**
Numbers as well as mathematical functions can be entered directly via the keyboard.
- **Text**
Text must be enclosed in quotation marks " (e.g. **"my text"**).
- **Variables**
Variables must be entered and ended with an apostrophe ' (e.g. **'MV.my variable'**).
- **time**
Time indications must always be made with the aid of the **Time()** function.

Entry using the function buttons

Mathematical operators and parentheses can simply be added to the formula using the corresponding buttons. A space is automatically added before and after the sign.

	Addition		Equal to		Logic AND
---	----------	---	----------	---	-----------

	Subtraction		Greater than		Logic OR
	Multiplication		Less than		Round parentheses
	Division		Not equal to		
	Potentiation		Less than or equal to		Molar mass calculator
			Greater than or equal to		Undo last action
					Redo last action

Entry via selection

The element selected in the fields **Variables** or **Operators** can be added to the formula by double clicking or **[Insert]**.

2.4.2 Calculation algorithms

Dialog window: **Formula editor**

Numerical format

The standard IEEE 754 (1985) for binary floating point arithmetic is implemented in "double precision" (64 Bit) in the software.

Rounding off process

Measured values and results are rounded off symmetrically (commercial rounding). In so doing, **1, 2, 3, 4** are always rounded down and **5, 6, 7, 8, 9** always rounded up.

Examples

2.33 yields **2.3**

2.35 yields **2.4**

2.47 yields **2.5**

-2.38 yields **-2.4**

-2.45 yields -2.5

Statistics

The mean value, absolute and relative standard deviation of results R are calculated using the following formula:

Mean value

$$\bar{x}_k = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n R_{k,i}$$

Absolute standard deviation

$$Sabs_k = +\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (R_{k,i} - \bar{x}_k)^2}{n-1}}$$

Relative standard deviation (in %)

$$Srel_k = 100 \cdot \frac{Sabs_k}{\bar{x}_k}$$

The statistical calculations of the software have been implemented so that they can be checked to as great a degree as possible by the user. The individual values are therefore incorporated in the statistics with full accuracy.

It is not the number of decimal places which is decisive for the accuracy of the calculations, but rather the number of significant digits of the decimal numbers displayed. The binary 64 bit numerical format implemented on the basis of the IEEE 754 standard means that the decimal numerals resulting from this have 15 certain significant decimal places.

You can influence the number of significant digits by selecting the unit and the number of decimal places. As the result unit to be set sometimes contains the prefix "Milli" as well as the actual physical unit, the number of significant places changes accordingly by three places during such a conversion.

Example

The result displayed **1234.56789158763 mg/L** has 15 certain places. It should be rounded off to three decimal places according to the above rounding procedure:

1234.568 mg/L (7 significant places, 3 of them decimal places)

The unit "g/L" means that the same result **1.23456789158763 g/L** is also rounded off to three decimal places:

1.235 g/L (4 significant places, 3 of them decimal places)

The number of significant digits has now been reduced by three to four digits by omitting the prefix "milli".



Note

The above losses of accuracy by rounding off in the area of the maximum certain places are only relevant theoretically. Most of the time they are lower by several orders of magnitude than – as an example – the uncertainties resulting from weighing out the sample.



When using variables, always observe their data type (**Number**, **Text** or **Date/Time**).

2.4.3.2 Method variables

Tab: **Database** ▶ **Determinations** ▶ **Reprocessing** ▶ **Variables**

Method variables include the variables **FCT** (factor) and **DIV** (divisor).

Syntax

'MV.Variable name'

Examples: **'MV.FCT'** and **'MV.DIV'**

Occurrence

These two variables occur in the formula saved in the 870 KF Titrino plus. By modifying these variables the result can be indicated as different concentration units (mg/mL, ppm etc.).

Method variables

Variable name	Description	Data type
FCT	Conversion factor for the calculation formula	Number
DIV	Divisor for the calculation formula	Number

Conversion table of the formula for KF titration

Result unit	Sample size in...	Factor	Divisor
%	g	0.1	1
%	mg	100	1
%	mL	0.1	Density of the sample in g/mL
ppm	g	1000	1
ppm	mL	1000	Density of the sample in g/mL

ppm	μ L	1	Density of the sample in g/mL
mg/mL	g	Density of the sample in g/mL	1
mg/mL	mL	1	1
mg	1	1	1
mL	1	1	Density of H ₂ O in g/mL
mg/piece	Pieces	1	1

2.4.3.3 Sample data variables

Dialog window: **Formula editor** ► **Sample data variables**

Sample data variables include the variables **Sample size**, **Unit**, **Sample position**, **ID1** and **ID2**.

In the field **Variables** of the formula editor all **sample data variables** are listed.

Syntax

'MV.Variable name'

Examples: 'MV.Sample Size' , 'MV.Sample Unit' , 'MV.ID1'

You can select the sample data variables directly in the formula editor under **Variables ► Sample data variables** in order to avoid syntax errors.

Sample data variables

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Data type
CI1	ID1	Sample identification 1	Number
CI2	ID2	Sample identification 2	Number
C00	Sample Size	Sample size	Number
	Sample Unit	Sample unit	Text



variable **COO** becomes **Abs MV.Sample.Size** in tiBase 1.0

2.4.3.4

Dialog window: **Formula Editor** ► **Variables**

The command variables are method-specific. They depend on which commands are used in the method. Included among the command variables are also solution and sensor variables, which are applied automatically from the corresponding tables in the **Configuration** for the device-dependent commands at the time the determination is started and which are allocated to the individual commands. The **Variables** field of the Formula editor lists all **Command variables** which are available for the current method.

Syntax

'Command name.Variable identification'

Examples: 'DET U 3.SME' , 'Liquid Handling 4.CONC'

You can select the command variables directly in the formula editor under **Variables ► Command Variables** in order to avoid syntax errors.

If a method run before the calculation contains more than one data generating command (titrations, measurements, calibrations, monitored dosing, evaluations, calculations), then there is a command identification before the variable.

M. for titration mode, measuring mode and monitored dosing

<E. for EVAL

C. for CALC

Command variables

Unless marked otherwise, all of the variables listed here in alphabetical order are of the **Number** type.



In the case of variables with Index **{x}**, the desired number **1...9** must be entered for **x** (e.g. **.EP{3}.ERC** for the third endpoint).

If no index is specified, then the last index will be used automatically (e.g. **.EP.ERC** for the last endpoint).

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Command
.BM#	.BP{x}.MEA	Measured value for the break point x (1...9) in the unit of the measured value	DET, MET, MEAS (without T/Flow)
.BT#	.BP{x}.TEM	Temperature for the break point x (1...9) in °C	DET, MET, MEAS (without T/Flow)
.BD#	.BP{x}.TIM	Time for the break point x (1...9) in s	DET, MET, MEAS (without T/Flow)
.BP#	.BP{x}.VOL	Volume for the break point x (1...9) in mL	DE, MET
.CONC	.CONC	Concentration of the solution used for the command (number)	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, STDADD, ADD, DOS, LQH
.MCD	.DBL	Duration command (total duration for the processing of the command) in s	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC, STAT, MEAS, CAL MEAS, STDADD, DOS
.MDC	.DRI	Current and/or last drift for drift correction in mL/min	SET, KFT, KFC
.MSD	.DSC	Duration start conditions (time for processing all start conditions) in s	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT
.DDC	.DTI	Time for drift correction (time from the start of the titration to the end of the command) in s	SET, KFT, KFC
.MCM	.EME	End measured value (measured value after processing of the command) in the unit of the measured value	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC, STAT, MEAS, CAL MEAS, STDADD, DOS
.MEN	.ENP	Electrode zero point for the sensor used for the command (dimensionless for pH sensor or in mV for the ISE sensor, number) and/or electrode zero point calculated from the calibration (for STDADD and CAL LOOP)	DET pH, DET U, MET pH, MET U, SET pH, SET U, STAT, MEAS pH, MEAS U, MEAS T, MEAS Conc, CAL LOOP, DOS, STDADD
	.EP{x}.DME	Measured value differential for the endpoint x (1...9)	MET
.EF#	.EP{x}.ERC	ERC for the endpoint x (1...9)	DET
.EM#	.EP{x}.MEA	Measured value for the endpoint x (1...9) in the unit of the measured value	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Command
.ESI#	.EP{x}.MEP	Marking for the endpoint x (1...9); 1 = 1 endpoint, 2 = 2 or more endpoints	DET, MET, SET, KFT
.EP#	.EP.QTY	Measured value (water) for the endpoint in mg	KFC
.ET#	.EP{x}.TEM	Temperature for the endpoint x (1...9) in °C	DET, MET, SET, KFT
.ED#	.EP{x}.TIM	Time for the endpoint x (1...9) in s	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC
.EP#	.EP{x}.VOL	Volume for the endpoint x (1...9) in mL	DET, MET, SET, KFT
.MCT	.ETE	End temperature (temperature following processing of the command) in °C	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC, STAT, MEAS (without T/Flow), CAL MEAS, STDADD, DOS
.MCV	.EVT	End volume (total dosed volume at the end of the command) in mL	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, DOS
.FM#	.FP{x}.MEA	Measured value for the fixed endpoint x (1...9) in the unit of the measured value	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT
	.FP{x}.QTY	Measured value (water) for the fixed endpoint x (1...9) in mg	KFC
.FT#	.FP{x}.TEM	Temperature for the fixed endpoint x (1...9) in °C	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS (without T/Flow)
.FD#	.FP{x}.TIM	Time for fixed endpoint x (1...9) in s	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC, STAT, MEAS (without T/Flow)
.FP#	.FP{x}.[VOL]	Volume for the fixed endpoint x (1...9) in mL	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT
.HM#	.HP{x}.MEA	Measured value for HNP x (1...9) in mV ¹⁾	DET, MET
.HT#	.HP{x}.TEM	Temperature for HNP x (1...9) in °C	DET, MET
.HD#	.HP{x}.TIM	Time for HNP x (1...9) in s	DET, MET
.HP#	.HP{x}.[VOL]	Volume for HNP (half neutralization potential) x (1...9) in mL	DET, MET
#M.MIM	.IME	Initial measured value (measured value before start conditions are processed) in the unit of the measured value (number)	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS, CAL MEAS, STDADD, DOS

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Command
.MIT	.ITE	Initial temperature (temperature before start conditions are processed) in °C	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS (without T/Flow), CAL MEAS, STDADD, DOS
.XAM	.MA.MEA	Maximum measured value in the unit of the measured value	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS
.XAT	.MA.TEM	Temperature for the maximum measured value in °C	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS
.XAD	.MA.TIM	Time for the maximum measured value in s	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS
.XAP	.MA.[VOL]	Volume with maximum measured value in mL	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT
	.MI.GFL	Minimum gas flow rate in mL/min	MEAS T/Flow
.XIM	.MI.MEA	Minimum measured value in the unit of the measured value	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS
.XIT	.MI.TEM	Temperature for minimum measured value in °C	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS
.XID	.MI.TIM	Time for the minimum measured value in s	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS
.XIP	.MI.[VOL]	Volume for minimum measured value in mL	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT
.RMC	.MR.MRC	Correlation coefficient for mean dosing rate for the whole range	STAT, DOS
.RMS	.MR.MRS	Standard deviation for mean dosing rate for the whole range in mL/min	STAT, DOS
.RM	.MR.MRT	Mean dosing rate for the whole range in mL/min	STAT, DOS
.MTM	.MTE	Temperature measurement with sensor; 1 = on, 0 = off)	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS (without T/Flow), CAL MEAS, STDADD, DOS
.MMP	.NMP	Number of measuring points (number of measuring points in the measuring point list)	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC, STAT, MEAS, CAL MEAS, DOS
.RDC#	.RE{x}.DRC	Correlation coefficient for mean dosing rate in window x (1...9)	STAT
.RDS#	.RE{x}.DRS	Standard deviation for mean dosing rate in window x (1...9) in mL/min	STAT

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Command
.RD#	.RE{x}.[DRT]	Mean dosing rate in window x (1...9) in mL/min	STAT
.MCM	.RES	Result calculated from the standard addition curve (concentration of the selected unit)	STDADD
.MSL	.SLO	Electrode slope of the sensor used for the command (in % for pH sensor or mV for ISE sensor, number) or electrode slope calculated from the calibration (for CAL LOOP)	DET pH, DET U, MET pH, MET U, SET pH, SET U, STAT, MEAS pH, MEAS U, MEAS T, MEAS Conc, CAL LOOP, DOS, STDADD
.MSM	.SME	Start measured value (measured value after processing the start conditions) in the unit of the measured value	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC, STAT
.MST	.STE	Start temperature (temperature after processing of the start conditions) in °C	DET, MET, SET, KFT, KFC, STAT
.MTS	.STY	Type of stop with which the command was stopped: 1 = normal; 0 = manual or after error	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, MEAS, CAL MEAS, STDADD, DOS
.MSA	.SVA	Start volume absolute (volume that was added according to the start condition "start volume") in mL	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT
.MSP	.SVM	Start volume measured value (volume which was added according to the start measured value given in the start conditions) in mL	DET, MET
.MSS	.SVS	Start volume measured value (volume that was added according to the start condition "start slope") in mL	DET, MET
.MSV	.SVT	Total start volume (volume that was added in dependence on all three start conditions) in mL	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT
.TITER	.TITER	Titer value of the solution used for the command (number)	DET, MET, SET, KFT, STAT, STDADD dos, STDADD auto, ADD, DOS, LQH
.MVA	.VAR	Variance of the result calculated from the standard addition curve	STDADD
.MCV	.VOL	Dosed volume	STDADD, ADD, LQH

1) HNP = Half neutralization potential

2.4.3.5 Result variables

Dialog window: **Formula Editor** ► **Variables**

Result variables are method-specific and are defined in the **CALC** command of the method. The **Variables** field of the Formula editor lists all **Result variables** which are available for the current method.

Syntax

'RS.Result name.Variable identification'

Examples: 'RS.RS01.VAL' (= 'RS.RS01'), 'RS.testTime.UNI'

You can select the method variables directly in the formula editor under **Variables ► Result Variables** in order to avoid syntax errors.

Result variables

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Command
.R1 to .R9	[.VAL]	Result value (.VAL optional; number)	CALC
SSA#	.ASD	Absolute standard deviation for the result (number)	CALC
SMN#	.MNV	Mean value of the result (number)	CALC
SNR	.NSR	Statistics actual counter for the result (number)	CALC
SSD	.NST	Statistics setpoint counter for the result (number)	CALC
SSR#	.RSD	Relative standard deviation for the result (number)	CALC
SNT	.STS	Statistics status for the result (number 1 = Statistics on, 0 = Statistics off)	CALC
#C.R# unit	.UNI	Result unit (Text)	CALC

2.4.3.6 Determination variables

Dialog window: **Formula Editor** ► **Variables**

Determination variables are general variables that are generated in the method run. They are not assigned to individual commands. The **Variables** field of the Formula editor lists the **determination variables** which are available for the current method, sorted according to name.

Syntax

'DV.Variable name'

Examples: 'DV.DUR', 'DV.STT'

You can select the determination variables directly in the formula editor under **Variables/Determination variables** in order to avoid syntax errors.

Available determination variables

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Data type
DD	DUR	Duration of the determination in s	Number
	STT	Time point at which the determination was started	Date/ Time

2.4.3.7 System variables

Dialog window: **Formula Editor ► Variables**

System variables are general variables which are adopted in the determination at the start of the determination. They are assigned neither to individual commands nor to determinations. The **Variables** field of the Formula editor lists all **System variables** which are available for the current method.

Syntax

'SV.Variable name'

Examples: 'SV.SIN', 'SV.SLI'

You can select the system variables directly in the formula editor under **Variables/System variables** in order to avoid syntax errors.

Available system variables

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Data type
%AC	.ACC	Autostart actual counter.	Number
%AD	.ACE	Autostart setpoint counter.	Number
%RN	.RUN	Sample number.	Number
%SE	.SEN	Indication whether the end of the sample table has been reached (1 = yes, 0 = no).	Number
%AS	.SIN	Indication whether the determination has been started as a single determination or within a series (1 = single determination, 0 = series determination).	Number
%SL	SLI	Sample table actual line.	Number

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Data type
SNT	.STA	Indication whether the statistics is activated (1 = yes, 0 = no.	Number
%SC	.STC	Start counter	Number
%SS		Sample table status 1 = Sample table on 0 = Sample table off	Number

2.4.3.8 Common variables

Dialog window: **Formula Editor** ► **Variables**

Common variables are global variables, which are adopted from the corresponding table of the program part **Configuration**, where the common variables can be defined, at the start of the determination and assigned to the determination. The **Variables** field of the Formula editor lists all **Common Variables** which are available for the current method, sorted according to name.

Syntax

'CV.Variable name.Variable name'

Examples: 'CV.TestDate', 'CV.TestTime.VAL', 'CV.Average-Temp.UNI'

You can select the common variables directly in the formula editor under **Variables/Common Variables** in order to avoid syntax errors.

Available Common Variables

Variable name (PC-Control)	Variable name (tiBase 1.0)	Description	Data type
CV01...CV25	[.VAL]	Value of common variables (number).	Text, number or date/time

Usage

870 KF Titrino Plus

With this instrument the two common variables, CV01 and CV02, are defined for blind values.

877 Titrino Plus, 848 Titrino Plus, 862 Titrosampler

With these instruments there can be defined up to five method-independent common variables, CV01 to CV05. Common variables are e.g. useful for the following applications:

- ### 2.4.3.9 Alphabetical command overview

- tiBase 1.0

- **MEAS Ipol**
Voltametric measurement with selectable polarization current
- **MEAS pH**
Potentiometric pH measurement with pH electrodes.
- **MEAS T**
Temperature measurement.
- **MEAS U**
Potentiometric voltage measurement.
- **MEAS Upol**
Amperometric measurement with selectable polarization current.
- **MET Ipol**
Monotonic equivalence point titration with voltametric measurement (selectable polarization current).
- **MET pH**
Monotonic equivalence point titration with potentiometric pH measurement.
- **MET U**
Monotonic equivalence point titration with potentiometric voltage measurement.
- **MET Upol**
Monotonic equivalence point titration with amperometric measurement (selectable polarization voltage).
- **SET pH**
Endpoint titration with potentiometric pH measurement.
- **SET U**
Endpoint titration with potentiometric voltage measurement.
- **SET Ipol**
Endpoint titration with voltametric measurement (selectable polarization current).
- **SET Upol**
Endpoint titration with amperometric measurement (selectable polarization voltage).
- **STAT pH**
STAT titration by keeping the measured value pH constant.
- **STAT U**
STAT titration by keeping the measured value U constant.

2.4.4 Operators/functions

2.4.4.1 Operators/functions - Overview

Dialog window: **Formula editor** ► **Operators/Functions**

Overview of the operators and functions

Operators	Functions
Arithmetic: - Addition (+) - Subtraction (-) - Multiplication (*) - Division (/) - Potentialiation (^)	Arithmetic: - Exponential function (Exp) - Natural logarithm (Ln) - Common logarithm (Log) - Square root (Sqrt) - Absolute value (Abs) - Fraction (Frac) - Integer (Int) - Round integer (Round) - Sign (Sign) - Quantiles of the Student's t-distribution (Tinv)
Logic: - AND - OR	Date/Time: - Time() - Time(Date) - Time(Date+Time)
Comparison: - Equal to (=) - Greater than (>) - Greater than or equal to (>=) - Less than (<) - Less than or equal to (<=) - Not equal to (<>)	Type conversion: - NumberToText - NumberToTime - TextToNumber - TextToTime - TimeToNumber - TimeToText
	Text: - TextPosition - SubText - Trim
	Miscellaneous: - Error - Case

Priority rules of the operators

The operators are evaluated in the order in which they are listed in the table below. In order to attain the required order, it may be necessary to place operators in parentheses.

	Operators
Arithmetic	$\wedge$
	$*, /$
	$+, -$
Comparison	$<, <=, >, >=$
Logic	AND, OR

2.4.4.2.2 Subtraction

Dialog window: **Formula editor ► Operators/Functions**

Syntax

Operand1 - Operand2

The operands can be entered either directly or as a variable and can be of the type **Text**, **Number** or **Date/Time**.

Examples

Operand1	Operand2	Result	Example	Remark
both operands of the same type:				
Number	Number	Number	1.2 - 3 = -1.8	-
Text	Text	Text	"Metrohm" - "AG" = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Time	Time	Number	Time(1998;01;06) - Time(1964;12;03) = 12'087.00 (for UTC+1)	Result: Number of days calculated from December 1899, dependent on the system time
Operand of different type: The operand which does not correspond to the result type is converted to the relevant result type before the operation.				
Number	Text	Text	1.2 - "Metrohm" = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Text	Number	Text	"Metrohm" - 1.2 = not valid	This operation is not allowed.
Number	Time	Number	2.0 - Time(1999;10;7) = -36'437.917 (for UTC+2)	Result: Number of days calculated from December 1899, dependent on the system time
Time	Number	Number	Time(1999;10;7) - 2.5 = 36'437.917 (for UTC+2)	Result: Number of days calculated from December 1899, dependent on the system time
Text	Time	Text	"Metrohm" - Time(1999;10;7) = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Time	Text	Text	Time(1999;10;7) - "Metrohm" = invalid	This operation is not allowed.

2.4.4.2.3 Multiplication

Dialog window: **Formula editor ► Operators/Functions**

Syntax

Operand1 * Operand2

The operands can be entered either directly or as a variable and can be of the type **Text**, **Number** or **Date/Time**.

Operand1	Operand2	Result	Example	Remark
Operand of different type: The operand which does not correspond to the result type is converted to the relevant result type before the operation.				
Number	Text	Text	1.2 / "Metrohm" = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Text	Number	Text	"Metrohm" / 1.2 = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Number	Time	Number	10'000 / Time(1999;10;7) = 274 (for UTC+2)	Result: Number of days calculated from December 1899, dependent on the system time
Time	Number	Number	Time(1999;02;17) / 10'000 = 3.621 (for UTC+1)	Result: Number of days calculated from December 1899, dependent on the system time
Text	Time	Text	"Metrohm" / Time(1999;10;7) = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Time	Text	Text	Time(1999;10;7) / "Metrohm" = invalid	This operation is not allowed.

2.4.4.2.5 Potentiation

Dialog window: **Formula editor** ► **Operators/Functions**

Syntax

Operand1 ^ Operand2

The operands can be entered either directly or as a variable and can be of the type **Text**, **Number** or **Date/Time**.

Examples

Operand1	Operand2	Result	Example	Remark
Operands of the same type:				
Number	Number	Number	1.2 ^ 3 = 1.728	Complex results (which comprise +bi, i.e. a real and an imaginary component) are displayed as an error.
Text	Text	Text	"Metrohm" ^ "AG" = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Time	Time	Number	Time(1900;01;05) ^ Time(1900;01;02) = 196.371 (for UTC+1)	Result: Number of days calculated from December 1899, dependent on the system time
Operand of different type: The operand which does not correspond to the result type is converted to the relevant result type before the operation.				
Number	Text	Text	1.2 ^ "Metrohm" = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Text	Number	Text	"Metrohm" ^ 1.2 = invalid	This operation is not allowed.
Number	Time	Number	1.2 ^ Time(1900;02;03) = 586.198 (for UTC+1)	-

Oper- and1	Oper- and2	Result	Example	Remark
Number	Text	Number	1.2 AND "1.2" --> 1 0 AND "1" --> 1 0 AND "0" --> 1 0 AND "" --> 0	Before the operation, the operand of the type Number is converted to the type Text , as a conversion from Text to Number is not advisable. During the second operation, the 0 is therefore converted to "0" , which corresponds to the logical value 1 (true), as every character string that is not empty is interpreted as 1.
Text	Number	Number	"Metrohm" AND 1.2 --> 1	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.
Number	Time	Number	2.0 AND Time(1999;10;7) --> 1 0 AND Time(1999;10;07) --> 0	Before the operation, the operand of the type Date/Time is converted to Number and all data from December 30, 1899 are interpreted as 1 (true).
Time	Number	Number	Time(1999;10;7) AND 2.5 --> 1	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.
Text	Time	Number	"Metrohm" AND Time(1999;10;7) --> 1 "" AND Time(1999;10;07) --> 0	Before execution of the operation, the operand of the type Date/Time is converted to the type Text and every character string that is not empty is interpreted as 1 (true).
Time	Text	Number	Time(1999;10;7) AND "Metrohm" --> 1	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.

2.4.4.3.2 OR

Dialog window: **Formula editor ► Operators/Functions**

Syntax

Operand1 OR Operand2

The operands can be entered either directly or as a variable and can be of the type **Text**, **Number** or **Date/Time**. The result type is always a number (**1** = true, **0** = false). The following cases are possible:

Operand1	Operand2	Result
1	1	1
0	1	1
1	0	1
0	0	0

Examples

Operand1	Operand2	Result	Example	Remark
Operands of the same type:				

The operands can be entered either directly or as a variable and can be of the type **Text**, **Number** or **Date/Time**. The result type is always a number (**1** = true, **0** = false).

Examples

Oper- and1	Oper- and2	Result	Example	Remark
Operands of the same type:				
Number	Number	Number	5 = 5 --> 1 4 = 5 --> 0	-
Text	Text	Number	"Metrohm" = "AG" --> 0 "aG" = "AG" --> 0	When making a comparison between two texts the ASCII value of the character sequence is compared (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65). Attention: Uppercase and lowercase letters have different values!
Time	Time	Number	Time(1998;04;06) = Time(1964;02;03) --> 0	(see Chapter 2.4.4.6.2, page 53)
Operands of a different type:				
Number	Text	Number	1.2 = "1.2" --> 11.2 = "Metrohm" --> 0	Before the relational operation, the Number is converted to Text , afterwards the texts are compared according to ASCII value (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65).
Text	Number	Number	"Metrohm" = 1.2 --> 0	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.
Number	Time	Number	2.0 = Time(1999;10;07) --> 0	Before the operation, the operand of the type Date/Time is converted to Number . During execution of the operation, the exact value is always used after this conversion, even if maximum 5 places after the comma can be displayed (see Chapter 2.4.4.7.5, page 58).
Time	Number	Number	Time(1999;10;7) = 2.0 --> 0	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.
Text	Time	Number	"Metrohm" = Time(1999;10;07) --> 0	Before the operation, the operand is converted from the type Date/Time to Text (here thus: "1999-10-07 00:00:00 UTC+2"), afterwards the texts are compared according to ASCII value (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65).
Time	Text	Number	Time(1999;10;07) = "Metrohm" --> 0	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.

2.4.4.4.3 Greater than or equal to

Dialog window: **Formula editor** ► **Operators/Functions**

Syntax

Operand1 >= **Operand2**

The operands can be entered either directly or as a variable and can be of the type **Text**, **Number** or **Date/Time**. The result type is always a number (**1** = true, **0** = false).

Examples

Oper- and1	Oper- and2	Result	Example	Remark
Operands of the same type:				
Number	Number	Number	5 >= 4 --> 1 4 >= 5 --> 0	-
Text	Text	Number	"Metrohm" >= "AG" --> 1	When making a comparison between two texts the ASCII value of the character sequence is compared (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65). Attention: Uppercase and lowercase letters have different values!
Time	Time	Number	Time(1998;04;06) >= Time(1964;02;03) --> 1	(see Chapter 2.4.4.6.2, page 53)
Operands of a different type:				
Number	Text	Number	1.2 >= "1.2" --> 1 1.2 >= "Metrohm" --> 0	Before the relational operation, the Number is converted to Text , afterwards the texts are compared according to ASCII value (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65).
Text	Number	Number	"Metrohm" >= 1.2 --> 1	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.
Number	Time	Number	2.0 >= Time(1999;10;07) --> 0	Before the comparison, the operand is converted from the type Date/Time to a Number .
Time	Number	Number	Time(1999;10;07) >= 2.0 --> 1	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.
Text	Time	Number	"Metrohm" >= Time(1999;10;07) --> 1	Before the operation, the operand is converted from the type Date/Time to Text (here thus: "1999-10-07 00:00:00 UTC +2"), afterwards the texts are compared according to ASCII value (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65).
Time	Text	Number	Time(1999;10;7) >= "Metrohm" --> 0	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.

2.4.4.4.5 Less than or equal to

Dialog window: **Formula editor** ► **Operators/Functions**

Syntax

Operand1 <= **Operand2**

The operands can be entered either directly or as variables and can be of the type **Text**, **Number** or **Date/Time**. The result type is always a number (**1** = true, **0** = false).

Examples

Oper- and1	Oper- and2	Result	Example	Remark
Operands of the same type:				
Number	Number	Number	5 <= 4 --> 0 4 <= 5 --> 1	-
Text	Text	Number	"Metrohm" <= "AG" --> 0	When making a comparison between two texts the ASCII value of the character sequence is compared (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65). Attention: Uppercase and lowercase letters have different values!
Time	Time	Number	Time(1998;04;06) <= Time(1964;02;03) --> 0	(see Chapter 2.4.4.6.2, page 53)
Operands of a different type:				
Number	Text	Number	2 <= "1.2" --> 0 1.2 <= "Metrohm" --> 1	Before the relational operation, the Number is converted to Text , afterwards the texts are compared according to ASCII value (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65).
Text	Number	Number	"Metrohm" <= 1.2 --> 0	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.
Number	Time	Number	2.0 <= Time(1999;10;07) --> 1	Before the comparison, the operand is converted from the type Date/Time to a Number .
Time	Number	Number	Time(1999;10;07) <= 2.0 --> 0	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.
Text	Time	Number	"Metrohm" <= Time(1999;10;07) --> 0	Before the operation, the operand is converted from the type Date/Time to Text (here thus: "1999.10.07"), afterwards the texts are compared according to ASCII value (see Chapter 2.4.4.10, page 65).
Time	Text	Number	Time(1999;10;7) <= "Metrohm" --> 1	The same rules apply here as for the previous operation.

2.4.4.5.5 Absolute value

Dialog window: **Formula editor** ► **Operators/Functions**

Syntax

y = Abs(number)

Gives the absolute value of the entered number, i.e. the value of the number irrespective of its sign.

Parameters

Number

The parameter can be indicated either directly as a number or as a variable of the type **Number**. If the parameter does not correspond to the expected type, it will automatically be converted to this. If this is not possible, the result of this operation is given as **invalid**.

Examples

Abs(-55.3) = 55.3

Abs('CV.AverageTemp') = Value of the common variables **CV.AverageTemp** without signs

2.4.4.5.6 Fraction

Dialog window: **Formula editor** ► **Operators/Functions**

Syntax

y = Frac(number)

Gives the fraction of the entered number.



Note

In the results properties, the number **Decimal places** of the result must always be given, as otherwise the fraction cannot be displayed.

Parameters

Number

The parameter can be indicated either directly as a number or as a variable of the type **Number**. If the parameter does not correspond to the expected type, it will automatically be converted to this. If this is not possible, the result of this operation is given as **invalid**.

Examples

Frac(-55.325) = 0.325

Frac('CV.AverageTemp') = Value of the common variable **CV.AverageTemp** without sign

2.4.4.5.9 Sign

Dialog window: **Formula editor ► Operators/Functions**

Syntax

y = Sign(number)

Gives the sign of the entered number: **1** for a positive number, **-1** for a negative number.

Parameters

Number

The parameter can be indicated either directly as a number or as a variable of the type **Number**. If the parameter does not correspond to the expected type, it will automatically be converted to this. If this is not possible, the result of this operation is given as **invalid**.

Examples

Sign(-55.3) = -1

Sign(26.115) = 1

Sign('CV.AverageTemp') = Sign of the value of the common variable **CV.AverageTemp**

2.4.4.5.10 Quantiles of the Student's t-distribution

Dialog window: **Formula editor ► Operators/Functions**

Syntax

$t_s = \text{Tinv}(\text{Probability}; \text{Degrees of freedom})$

Calculates the quantiles of the Student's t-distribution for two-sided intervals.

The result describes the half interval length as a multiple of the standard deviation of a sampling totality with given **degrees of freedom** within which, with the indicated **probability**, the mean value of the distribution lies, when the interval is centered on the mean value of the sampling totality.

Parameters

Probability

Type number, value range: 0 ... 1. Direct entry as number or as formula providing a number. If the type of value is non-permitted, then the result will become **invalid**. This is to indicate the probability with which the unknown mean value of the t-distributed result is expected to lie within the two-sided interval.

Degrees of freedom

2.4.4.7.6 TimeToText

Dialog window: **Formula editor** ► **Operators/Functions**

Syntax

y = TimeToText(Time)

Gives the time entered as **Text**.

y = TimeToText(Time;Format)

Gives the time entered as **Text** in the required format.

Parameters

Time

This parameter can be indicated either in the form of a time function or as a variable of the type **Date/Time**.

Format

Indicates in which format or order the time is to be output as text. This parameter can comprise the following code characters and must be marked by **inverted commas**:

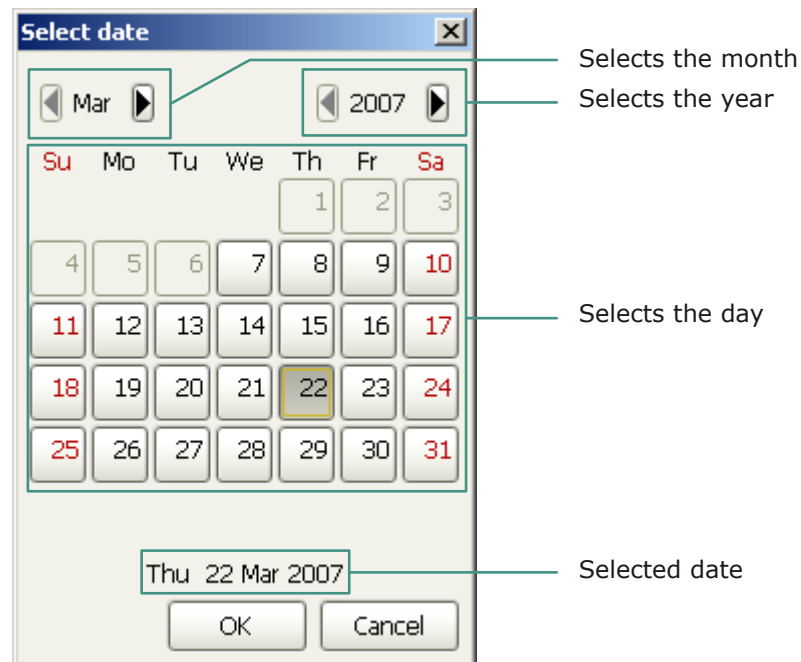
Characters	Significance	Example
y	two-digit year number	03
yyyy	four-digit year number	1999
M	one or two-digit month number	4, 12
MM	two-digit month number	04, 12
MMM	Month name short form	Jul, Aug
MMMM	Month name	July, August
d	one or two-digit day number	2, 25
dd	two-digit day number	02, 25
h	one-digit or two-digit hour number (1...12 AM/PM)	5, 11
hh	two-digit hour number (1...12 AM/PM)	05, 11
H	one-digit or two-digit hour number (0...23)	8, 17
HH	two-digit hour number (0...23)	08, 17
m	one or two-digit minute number	2, 25
mm	two-digit minute number	02, 25
s	one or two-digit second number	3, 55
ss	two-digit second number	03, 55

2.5 Editing

2.5.1 Select date

Dialog window: **Select date**

The dialog window **Select date** serves for entering a date in a field and is opened with the button .



2.5.2 Text editor

Dialog window: **Text editor**

The text editor serves for entering formatted text in text fields and is opened with the button .

The toolbar of the text editor includes the following functions:



Cut selected text and copy it to the clipboard.



Copy selected text to the clipboard.



Paste text from the clipboard.



Open editor for entering a hyperlink (see Chapter 2.5.3, page 68).

Presentation

The subwindows can be enlarged or made smaller to suit by dragging the separating bar between the windows.

By clicking on the button  above at the right, the subwindows can be maximized so that only one subwindow is displayed in the main window. The original view of all subwindows is restored when the  button in the maximized subwindow is clicked on again.

3.1.6 Configuration - Functions

Program part: **Configuration**

In the program part **Configuration** the following functions can be carried out:

Views

- *Toolbar*

User administration

- *Manage user groups*
- *Access rights*
- *Signatures*
- *Options*
- *Users*

Security settings

- *Login/Password protection*
- *Electronic signature*
- *Default reasons*

Program administration

- *Backup directories*
- *Clients*
- *Licenses*

Export/Import of configuration data

- *Export configuration data*
- *Import configuration data*

Backup/Restore configuration data

- *Backup configuration data automatically*
- *Backup configuration data manually*
- *Restore configuration data*

Options

- *General program properties*

The user administration data can be exported and imported. In this way this data can be exchanged between different client/server systems.

The user administration data can be output as PDF file using the menu item **File ► Print (PDF) ► User administration**.

Structure

The dialog window **User administration** is divided into two parts, the size of which can be modified with the mouse. In the left-hand part the user groups with their assigned users are listed in tree-form, the right-hand side shows details of the selected items.

Each user group, with the exception of the **Removed users** group, contains the following items:

- *Access rights*
Assigns access rights to the four program parts and their menu bars.
- *Signatures*
Assigns signature rights for methods and determinations.
- *Options*
Defines the view for the individual program parts.
- *Users*
Details of the users.

Functions

In the dialog window **User administration** the following functions can be carried out:

- *Add user groups*
- *Copy user groups*
- *Rename user groups*
- *Delete user groups*
- *Define access rights for user groups*
- *Define signature rights for user groups*
- *Define options for user groups*
- *Add user*
- *Set start password for new user*
- *Deactivate user*
- *Activate user*
- *Remove user*

- ### 3.2.2.2 Login/Password protection

On the tab **Login/Password protection** is defined whether the user must log in with his/her name or with name and password, and how the password is to be monitored and constructed

[Set]

Login policies

If this check box is **enabled** then every time that the program starts, the login window will appear in which the user must enter his/her user name. If this check box is **disabled** no login is necessary and the user logged in under Windows will be adopted as user name. In this case all subsequent parameters are deactivated.

Enforce login with password

Password monitoring by tiBase

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Selection	on off
Default value	off
	FDA default: on

Password monitoring by Windows

If this option is **enabled** then the password will be monitored according to the parameters defined in Windows. In this case the parameters for password protection are deactivated.

Selection	on off
Default value	off FDA default: off



Caution

When using password monitoring through Windows, to avoid an unwanted login by the standard defined user **Guest** in Windows, this must also either be provided with a password or (preferably) be deactivated.



Note

With Windows 2000, proceed as follows for password monitoring by Windows:

1. Run/Execute "secpol.msc".
2. Under "Local Policies/User Rights Assignment", switch on the guideline "Act as part of the operating system" for all desired user groups.
3. Restart computer.

Maximum number of incorrect login attempts

If this check box is **activated** then a user will be given the status **deactivated** as soon as the number of incorrect login attempts defined here has been exceeded. A user with the status **deactivated** can no longer start the program. The counter for incorrect login attempts is reset to zero for all users at each new start.

Selection	on off
Default value	off
	FDA default: off

Range	2 ... 5
Default value	3 FDA default: 3

Message by E-mail

If this check box is **activated** then an E-mail will be sent to the address defined under **[E-mail]** as soon as the defined number of incorrect login attempts has been exceeded.

Selection	on off
Default value	off FDA default: off

[E-mail]

This button opens the dialog window **Send E-mail**(see Chapter 3.2.2.7, page 89) for defining the E-mail parameters.

Logout policies

New login only for same user

If this check box is **activated** then for manual logout a renewed login is only possible for the same user. Users with administrator rights can always log in. If this option is enabled then the subsequent option is automatically enabled and deactivated.

Selection	on off
Default value	off
	FDA default: off



Note

If the automatic logout is enabled (see below) only the same user or a user with administrator rights can log in again independent of these option settings.

No editing of workplaces in 'BUSY' status

If this check box is **activated** then, after a user has logged out manually, a newly logged-in user on the workplaces still open with running determinations can neither edit data or trigger actions. Such workplaces will only be available again when all determinations are finished. For running determinations the old user name always applies (Audit Trail entries, Save, Export, etc.). Exceptions are the stop of a determination with **[Stop]** and the emergency stop, which are always possible for all running determinations and series.

If this check box is **deactivated** then the newly logged-in user will have all the rights for the opened workplaces that his/her group assignment authorizes him/her to. For running determinations the new user name applies immediately (Audit Trail entries, Save, Export, etc.).

Selection	on off
Default value	off
	FDA default: off

Automatic logout after

If this check box is **activated** then the user will be logged out automatically when no operating functions have been carried out with the keyboard or the mouse within this time. After this automatic logout, only a member of the same user group as the one to which the previously logged-off user belongs or a user with administrator rights can log in again.

Selection	on off
Default value	off FDA default: off
Range	1 ... 60 min
Default value	10 min FDA default: 10 min



Note

The immediate termination of all determinations on all activated workplaces with the **emergency stop button** still remains possible after an automatic logout.

Password policies

Enforce unique password

If this check box is **activated** then this ensures that a user can use a given password only once.

Selection	on off
Default value	off
	FDA default: on

Enforce use of special characters

If this check box is **activated** then this ensures that the password must contain at least one special character (@, #, ~ etc.).

Selection	on off
Default value	off
	FDA default: off

Minimum password length

If this check box is **activated** then this ensures that the password must contain the indicated number of characters.

Selection	on off
Default value	off FDA default: on
Range	1 ... 10 Characters
Default value	6 Characters FDA default: 6 characters

Validity

If this check box is **activated** then this ensures that the user must enter a new password before the validity period expires. When a user logs in whose password will expire within the next 10 days a corresponding message will appear. If the validity period has expired, the user can only log in if he changes the password.

Selection	on off
Default value	off FDA default: on
Range	1 ... 999 days
Default value	365 days FDA default: 365 days

3.2.2.3 Test login for password monitoring by Windows

Tab: **Configuration** ▶ **Tools** ▶ **Security settings** ▶ **Login/Password protection** ▶ **Test login**

The user's Windows password must be entered in this dialog window when enabling the option **Password monitoring by Windows**(see *Chapter 3.2.2.2, page 83*). The test login will be used to check whether the user name matches the Windows user name.

User

Shows the current user name.

Windows password

Entry of the Windows password.

It is only if when the test login is successful that the **Password monitoring by Windows** can be used.

3.2.2.4 Modifications

Tab: **Configuration** ▶ **Extras** ▶ **Security settings** ▶ **Modifications**

On the tab **Modifications** it can also be defined whether a modification reason or comment must be given on the modifications to determinations.

Recommended settings

[Set]

Sets the parameters to the default settings.

Comment on modification of determinations

If this check box is **activated** then each time that a determination is modified a modification reason and a modification comment must be entered; these are saved in the determination and shown in the database in the subwindow **Information** on the tab **Determination**.

Selection	on off
Default value	off

3.2.2.5 Signatures

Tab: **Configuration** ▶ **Tools** ▶ **Security settings** ▶ **Signatures**

On the tab **Signatures** the parameters for the electronic signatures can be configured.

Recommended settings

[Set]

Sets the parameters to the default settings.

Inactivity delay

on | off (Default value: **off**)

If this check box is **activated** then the dialog window for signing will be automatically closed when the entered time limit has expired.

Range	1 ... 60 min
Default value	10 min

Remove password after signature

on | off (Default value: **off**)

If this check box is **activated** then the password must be entered again after each signature.

Sign each determination separately

on | off (Default value: **off**)

If this check box is **activated** then each determination contained in the determination overview must be signed individually.

Default reasons

Tab: **Configuration** ▶ **Tools** ▶ **Security settings** ▶ **Default reasons**

On the tab **Default reasons** the reasons are defined that have to be entered when determinations have to be signed or when determinations have to be modified.

Category

Selection of the category for which the reasons are to be defined.

Selection	Signature Level 1 Signature Level 2 Modification of determination
Default value	Signature Level 1

Reasons

Shows the reasons defined for the selected category.

Input	50 characters
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Moves text upward (modifies sequence).



Moves text downward (modifies sequence).

[New]

Adds a new reason.

[Edit]

Edits the selected reason.

[Delete]

Deletes the selected reason.

3.2.2.7 Sending E-mail

Dialog window: **Configuration ▶ Tools ▶ Security settings ▶ Login/Password protection ▶ [E-mail...] ▶ Send E-mail**

E-mail address

E-mail address of the recipient.

Input	200 characters
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Subject

Title for describing the message.

Input	200 characters
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Message

The message defined here will be transmitted as an E-mail if the maximum permitted number of incorrect login attempts is exceeded.

The Text editor for entering or changing the message is opened with  or by double-clicking into the text field.



Selection	Text (unlimited)
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Sender

E-mail address

E-Mail address of the sender.

Input	200 characters
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SMTP server

Address of SMTP mail server.

Input	200 characters
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Port

Port number of the SMTP mail server.

Range	1 ... 65536
Default value	25

Authentication

on | off (Default value: **off**)

Check box for activating the authentication of the sender when sending the E-mail or selection of the authentication method.

Selection	SMTP SMTP after POP
Default value	SMTP

POP server

Address of POP mail server.

Input	200 characters
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Port

Port number of the POP mail server.

Range	1 ... 65536
Default value	110

Password

Input	200 characters
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Input	200 characters
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3.2.3.1 Program administration

Overview

Tabs

- *Backup directories*
List of the defined backup directories.
- *Clients*
List of computers on which **tiBase** is installed.
- *Licenses*
List of installed licenses with number of clients. This tab is only shown on the server of a client/server installation.

3.2.3.2.1 Backup directories

Table with the defined backup directories. With a click on the column title the table can be sorted according to the selected column in either increasing or decreasing sequence. The directory **Default backup directory** is generated during installation.



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[New]

Adds a new backup directory (see *Chapter 3.2.3.2.2, page 92*).

[Edit]

Edits the selected backup directory (see *Chapter 3.2.3.2.3, page 93*).

[Delete]

Deletes the selected backup directory.



Note

The **Default backup directory** cannot be deleted.

3.2.3.2.2 Create new backup directory

Dialog window: **Configuration ► Tools ► Program administration ► Backup directories ► [New] ► New backup directory**

Name

Name for the backup directory.

Input	50 characters
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Directory

Entry or selection (with) of the path for the backup directory.

Input	1000 characters
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Note

If the backup directory is on a network drive the saving date should be added manually to the **Backup name** because the saving date information is not available when the directory is restored.



Note

Make sure that you have read and write access rights on the selected directory.

Name

Name for the backup directory.

Input	50 characters
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The **Default backup directory** generated during installation cannot be renamed.

Entry or selection (with) of the path for the backup directory.

Input	1000 characters
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If the backup directory is on a network drive the saving date should be added manually to the **Backup name** because the saving date information is not available when the directory is restored.



Make sure that you have read and write access rights on the selected directory.

Tab: **Configuration** ▶ **Tools** ▶ **Program administration** ▶ **Clients**

Table with information about the computers on which **tiBase** is installed. The table cannot be edited. With a click on the column title the table can be sorted according to the selected column in either increasing or decreasing sequence.

Client ID

Shows the ID for the client that has been entered for the client/server installation.



Computer name

Shows the name of the computer on which the client has been installed.

Status

Shows whether **tiBase** has been started (**active**) or not (**inactive**).



Note

The contents of the tab **Clients** can be displayed, even if **tiBase** is not running, by using the shortcut  **Clients** in the directory **..\Metrohm**
tiBase\bin (only available on the server).

3.2.3.4 Add licenses

Dialog window: **Configuration ▶ Tools ▶ Program administration ▶ Licenses ▶ [Add licenses]**

The menu **Tools ► Program administration ► Licenses ► [Add licenses]** in the program part **Configuration** opens the dialog window **Add licenses** in which the new license code can be entered.

License code

Entry of the license code.

3.2.3.5 Licenses

Tab: **Configuration** ▶ **Tools** ▶ **Program administration** ▶ **Licenses**



Note

In client/server systems this tab is only visible on the server and only for members of the **Administrators** user group.

License code

Shows the entered license code.

Number of licenses

Shows the number of clients to have been enabled with the license code.

[Add licenses]

Adds new, additional licenses. The dialog window **Add licenses** opens.

License code

Entry of the license code.



User administration

on | off (Default value: **on**)

Exports saved user administration (see *Chapter 3.2.1.1, page 74*).

[OK]

The dialog window **Save** for saving data opens, in which the name and directory for the export file must be entered. The selected configuration data is then saved in a file with the extension **.mcfg**.

3.3.1.2 Import configuration data

Dialog window: **Configuration ▶ File ▶ Import... ▶ Import configuration data**

With **File ► Import...** and after selection of the file ***.mcfg** to be imported, the dialog window **Import configuration data** opens, in which the parts of the configuration database present in the export file can be selected for import:



Note

Data that is not present in the export file cannot be selected.

Configuration views

on | off (Default value: **on**)

Imports saved configuration views (see *Chapter 4.1.7, page 115*).

Database views

on | off (Default value: **on**)

Imports saved database views (see *Chapter 4.1.7, page 115*).

Control chart templates

on | off (Default value: **on**)

Imports saved control card templates (see Chapter 4.4.3.1, page 169).

Curve overlay templates

on | off (Default value: **on**)

Imports saved curve overlay templates (see Chapter 4.4.2.1, page 164).

Interval

Entry of the time interval after which an automatic backup will take place. After each automatic or manual backup the interval entered here will be added to the date of the **Last backup** and shown in the field **Next backup**.

Range	1 ... 999
Default value	1
Selection	Day(s) Week(s) Month(s) Year(s)
Default value	Month(s)

Backup directory

Selection of a pre-defined backup directory (see *Chapter 3.2.3.2.1, page 91*).



Note

Make sure that you have read and write access rights on the selected directory.

3.3.2.2 Backup configuration data manually

Dialog window: **Configuration ► File ► Save ► Manually ► Backup configuration file manually**

Backup target

Backup directory

Selection of a pre-defined backup directory (see *Chapter 3.2.3.2.1, page 91*).



Note

Make sure that you have read and write access rights on the selected directory.

Backup name

Selection of an existing name for the backup file or entry of a new name. If an existing backup file is selected it will be overwritten.

Input	50 characters
Selection	Backup names



Start manual backup of the complete configuration database.

Dialog window: **Restore configuration data**

Backup directory

Selection	Backup directories
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Selection of a backup file.

Selection	Backup files
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Shows the time at which the configuration database was backed up. If the backup file is located on a network drive, this information is not available.

Shows the name of the configuration database. If the backup file is located on a network drive, this information is not available.

Shows the size of the configuration database in KB.

Name under which the configuration database will be restored.

Starts the recovery of the configuration database. After the start, a progress bar appears in the window. When the backup has been completed the dialog window closes automatically.

on | off (Default value: **off**)

The import process has been stopped manually or automatically by an error. The status is displayed in red lettering. Additionally the background of the line number is also shown in red.

The option **Start automatically** is disabled for this import process. The import process has to be started manually. The status as well as all line entries are displayed in gray lettering.

The menu **Edit** beneath the table contains the following menu items:

Start import	Start import for selected data source.
Stop import	Stop import for selected data source.
New...	Define new import process.
Delete	Delete selected import process.
Properties...	Edit selected import process.

3.4.3 Import processes - Properties

In this dialog window the details for the import of PC/LIMS reports are defined.

Name

Data source

Database

Comment

Optional comment.

4 Database

4.1 Database - General

4.1.1 Database - Definition

Program part: **Database**

Definition

The term **Database** is used in **tiBase** to refer to the program part in which the determinations saved in the databases can be displayed, managed, evaluated, reprocessed and printed out. The **determination databases** are also referred to as **databases**; they can, in contrast to the **configuration database**, be generated by the user and contain the determination data. Included among such determination data is the method data used for the determination, the measuring data generated during the determination and the results calculated from it.

Organization

In **Local Server Systems (tiBase 1.0 full)** the databases are stored on the drives administered by the computer and are only available to those users registered on that computer who have the appropriate access rights.

In **Client/Server systems (tiBase 1.0 multi)** the databases are stored on drives administered centrally by the server and are available globally throughout the entire Client/Server system, i.e. all users with the appropriate access rights can use these databases.

4.1.2 Database - Desktop

Program part: **Database**

Database symbol



Clicking on the database symbol in the vertical bar on the left opens the program part **Database** while, at the same time the database symbol is shown in color. The upper left corner of the symbol contains a black field displaying the number of databases currently opened (*see Chapter 4.2.2, page 119*).

 Report...	PDF file output of the report (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.12, page 245</i>).
 Logout...	Logout user (<i>see Chapter 2.2.3, page 10</i>).
Exit	End program.

4.1.3.3 Database - Menu Edit

Program part: **Database**

 Copy	Copy the selected lines in the determination overview to the clipboard.
Select all	Select all lines in the current set of determinations in the determination overview.

4.1.3.4 Database - Menu View

Program part: **Database**

 Update	Update determination overview.
 Change layout...	Modify layout of loaded database view (<i>see Chapter 4.1.7.2, page 116</i>).
 Load view...	Load a saved database view (<i>see Chapter 4.1.7.3, page 116</i>).
 Save view...	Save the loaded database view (<i>see Chapter 4.1.7.4, page 117</i>).
 Split vertically	Split database window vertically and display two databases side by side (<i>see Chapter 4.2.4, page 120</i>).
 Split horizontally	Split database window horizontally and display two databases, one above the other (<i>see Chapter 4.2.5, page 120</i>).
 Unsplit	Undo the splitting of the database window (<i>see Chapter 4.2.3, page 120</i>).
 Properties ►	
Column display	Define column display for the Determination overview table (<i>see Chapter 4.5.1.3, page 201</i>).
Properties Results	Set properties for the subwindow Results (<i>see Chapter 4.7, page 260</i>).
 Toolbar	Switch toolbar display on/off.

 Control chart...	Display control chart and statistical evaluation of the selected determination (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.16, page 248</i>).
 Overlay curves...	Overlay curves of the selected determinations (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.17, page 248</i>).
 Reprocess...	Reprocess selected determinations (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.6.1, page 220</i>).
 Delete	Delete selected determinations (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.10, page 243</i>).

4.1.3.6 Database - Menu Tools

Program part: **Database**

Report templates ►	
New ►	
Form report	Open the window Report template with an empty form report (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.3, page 130</i>). This menu item is disabled as long as the database is empty.
 Open...	Open report template to edit (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.3, page 130</i>). This menu item is disabled as long as the database is empty.
Manager...	Manage report templates (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.1.1, page 128</i>).
Templates ►	
Control chart templates...	Manage templates for control charts (<i>see Chapter 4.4.3, page 169</i>).
Curve overlay templates...	Manage curve overlay templates (<i>see Chapter 4.4.2.1, page 164</i>).
Export templates...	Manage export templates (<i>see Chapter 4.4.4.1, page 173</i>).

4.1.3.7 Help Menu

Program part: **Configuration / Database**

 tiBase Help	Open tiBase help.
About	Displays information about the program and the installation.

 Import...	Import selected determinations (*.txt or *.tdet)
 Sign/Signature 1...	Sign selected determinations on level 1 (<i>see Chapter 2.3.3, page 13</i>).
 Sign/Signature 2...	Sign selected determinations on level 2 (<i>see Chapter 2.3.4, page 14</i>).
 Show history	Show all versions of the focused determination in the determination overview (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.13, page 246</i>).
 Make current	Make the old version selected in the history view the current version again (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.14, page 246</i>).
 Control chart...	Display control chart and statistical evaluation of the selected determination (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.16, page 248</i>).
 Overlay curves...	Overlay curves of the selected determinations (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.17, page 248</i>).
 Reprocess...	Reprocess selected determinations (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.6.1, page 220</i>).
 Delete	Delete selected determinations (<i>see Chapter 4.5.2.10, page 243</i>).
 Report templates/ Open...	Open report template to edit (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.3, page 130</i>).
 tiBase Help	Open tiBase help.

4.1.5 Database - Subwindows

Program part: **Database**

Selection

The following subwindows can be displayed in the main window:

- *Determination overview*
Overview of the determinations saved in the database. This subwindow is permanently on display.
- *Information*
Display of information for focused determination.
- *Result*
Display of results for focused determination.
- *Curves 1...5*
Display of curves for focused determination.

4.1.7 Views

4.1.7.1 Views - General

Program part: **Configuration / Database**

Definition

The term **View** defines the content and design of the main window in the program part **Database** (the program part Configuration has only one view). The following elements belong to a view:

- Number, arrangement, sequence and size of the subwindows.
- Representation within the individual subwindows, i.e. column sequence, column width, sorting and filter.

Functions

The following functions are possible for views:

- *Change layout*
Defines the number, arrangement and sequence of the subwindows for the current view.
- *Save view*
Save current view.
- *Load view*
Load view saved.
- *Rename view*
Rename view saved.
- *Delete view*
Delete view saved.
- *Toolbar*
Enable or disable the toolbar.

Automatic save

If in the program part Configuration under **Tools ► Options** on the **Save** tab, the respective point under **Save on closing** is enabled, then the current view of the program will be saved automatically.

Automatic load

The standard procedure is that the view saved when the program is terminated will be loaded automatically the next time that the program is opened. As an alternative a standard view can be defined for each user group that is loaded automatically the first time that the program part is opened.

The standard procedure is that the view with the following subwindow is opened with the very first program start:

- **Configuration**
Import processes, Import protocols
- **Database**
Determination overview, Curve #, Information, Results



Note

A maximum of 4 databases can be opened, but only 2 can be displayed at the same time. Databases that are open at the time the program is ended will be automatically opened the next time the program is started.

4.2.2 Select database

Program part: **Database**

The number of the currently opened databases is displayed in the left upper corner of the database symbol. If 2 or more databases are opened, then these databases, which can be displayed either next to one another or one below the other, can be selected with the aid of the database symbol.



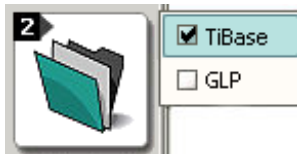
No database is opened. **No database loaded** is displayed in the main window.



One database is opened and is displayed in the main window.



Two databases are opened. Normally only one database is displayed in the main window but the option exists of displaying two databases at once, either next to the another or one below the other.



A menu with the currently opened databases is displayed by clicking with either the left or right mouse button on the database symbol. The databases displayed in the main window are marked with a checkmark. Clicking on the desired database displays it in the main window in the place of the previously selected one.

Name

Name of the database.

Number of records

Shows the number of data sets in the database.

Size

Shows the size of the database in KB.

Last backup

Shows the date and time of the last database backup.

Next backup

Shows the date and the time at which the next backup is to be carried out.

Comment

Shows remarks about the database.

Window menus and functions

The menu **[Edit]** beneath the database table contains the following menu items:

New...	Create new database (<i>see Chapter 4.3.2, page 122</i>).
Delete	Delete the selected database (<i>see Chapter 4.3.4, page 122</i>).
Rename...	Rename the selected database (<i>see Chapter 4.3.3, page 122</i>).

[Properties]

Opens the window **Database manager** for editing the database selected in the table (*see Chapter 4.3.5.1, page 123*).

[Backup]

Opens the window **Backup the database** for backing up the database selected in the table (*see Chapter 4.3.6, page 126*).

[Restore:]

Opens the window **Restoration of databases** for restoring backed-up databases (*see Chapter 4.3.7, page 127*).

[Exit]

Closes the window **Database manager**.

Next backup

Date at which the next backup must take place. The date can be selected by pressing  in the dialog window **Select date**.

Input	Date selection
Default value	Last backup + 1 month

Interval

Entry of the interval for the backup monitoring. After each automatically or manually triggered backup, the interval entered here will be added automatically to the **Last backup** and the field **Next backup** will be automatically adjusted accordingly.

Range	1 ... 999
Default value	1
Selection	day(s) week(s) month(s) year(s)
Default value	month(s)

Start backup automatically

on | off (Default value: **off**)

Automatic start of the backup for the database in the defined **Backup directory**.

Backup directory

Selection of a folder predefined in the **Program administration** for the automatic backup.

Selection	Selection of the backup directory Default backup directory
Default value	Default backup directory



Note

Make sure that you have read and write access rights on the selected directory.

4.3.5.5 Database properties - Monitoring

Tab: **Database** ▶ **File** ▶ **Database manager...** ▶ **Database manager** ▶ **[Properties]** ▶ **Properties - Database - 'Database name'** ▶ **Monitoring**

Defines database monitoring.

4.4.1.4.1.3.2 Report template - Menu File

Program window: **Database ► Report template**

 Save	Save an opened report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.11, page 144</i>).
Save as	Save an opened report template under a new name (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.11, page 144</i>).
Page setup...	Set up the layout for the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.2, page 136</i>).
 Page preview	Set up the layout for the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.8, page 142</i>).
Exit	Close the program window Report template .

4.4.1.4.1.3.3 Report template - Menu Edit

Program window: **Database ► Report template**

 Undo:	Undo the last action.
 Restore:	Restore the undone action.
 Cut	Cut selected items and copy them to the clipboard (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.6, page 141</i>).
 Copy	Copy the selected items to the clipboard (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.6, page 141</i>).
 Insert	Insert marked items from the clipboard (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.6, page 141</i>).
 Delete	Delete the marked items (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.6, page 141</i>).
 Comment	Enter comments on the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.9, page 143</i>).

4.4.1.4.1.3.4 Report template - Menu View

Program window: **Database ► Report template**

Update	Update the view.
First page	Show the first page of the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.4, page 139</i>).
Previous page	Show the previous page of the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.4, page 139</i>).
Next page	Show the next page of the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.4, page 139</i>).

	Select zoom level (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.7, page 142</i>).
 Grid	Switch the grid display on and off (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.10, page 143</i>).
 Snap to grid	Switch snap at grid on and off (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.10, page 143</i>).

4.4.1.4.1.5 Report template - Module-specific toolbar

Program window: **Database ► Report template**

Depending on the module selected in the report template, other symbols and input fields are shown below the general toolbar, with which the properties of these modules can be directly edited (*see Chapter 4.4.1.4.1.6, page 135*).

4.4.1.4.1.6 Report template - Module bar

Program window: **Database ► Report template**

 Select modules	If this option is enabled then modules in the report template can be selected, reduced/enlarged and moved (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.2.6, page 141</i>).
 Text field	If this option is enabled then text fields can be inserted in the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.3.1, page 145</i>).
 Data field	If this option is enabled then data fields can be inserted in the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.3.2, page 147</i>).
 Date field	If this option is enabled then date fields can be inserted in the report template in which the actual date is entered (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.3.3, page 149</i>).
 Time field	If this option is enabled then time fields can be inserted in the report template in which the actual time is entered (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.3.4, page 150</i>).
 Page number	If this option is enabled then fields can be inserted in the report template in which the page number is entered (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.3.5, page 152</i>).
 Number of pages	If this option is enabled then fields can be inserted in the report template in which the number of pages is entered (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.3.6, page 154</i>).
 Fixed report	If this option is enabled then fixed reports can be inserted in the report template (<i>see Chapter 4.4.1.4.3.7, page 155</i>).

Page format

Apply to current page

Apply to all pages

Page format

Width of the page format. This parameter can only be edited for **Page format= User-defined**

Height

Height of the page format. This parameter can only be edited for **Page format= User-defined**

Orientation

Selection of the page format.

Page margins

Upper page margin.

Bottom

Lower page margin.

Range	0.0 ... 499.0 mm
Default value	15.0 mm

Left

Left-hand page margin.

Range	0.0 ... 499.0 mm
Default value	20.0 mm

Right

Right-hand page margin.

Range	0.0 ... 499.0 mm
Default value	20.0 mm

Layout

Header

Height of header.

Range	0.0 ... 499.0 mm
Default value	15.0 mm

Footer

Height of footer.

Range	0.0 ... 499.0 mm
Default value	15.0 mm

Determination height

Height of the section for a single determination on a tabular report.

only for tabular report

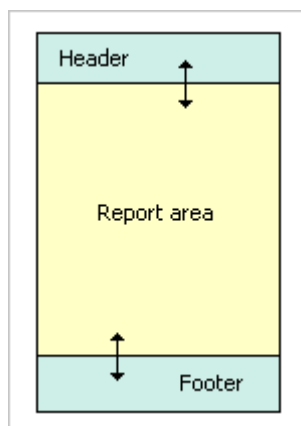
Range	0.0 ... 499.0 mm
Default value	25.0 mm

4.4.1.4.2.3 Report template - Define sections

Program window: Database ▶ Report template

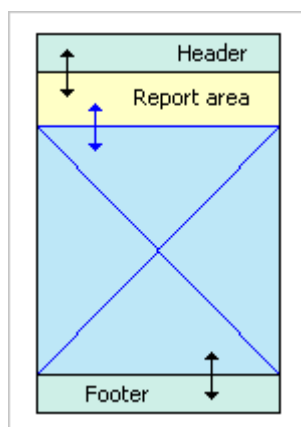
Define sections for form report

The header, footer and report sections can be enlarged and reduced with the left mouse button.



Defining sections for tabular report

The header, footer and report sections can be enlarged and reduced with the left mouse button.



4.4.1.4.2.4 Report template - Insert pages

Menu item: **Report template** ► **Insert** ► **Page before / Page after**

Note

It is not possible to insert pages in templates for tabular reports.

Inserting page before

With the menu item **Insert ► Page before** in the program window **Report template** a new empty report report page is inserted before the report page shown.

Insert page after

With the menu item **Insert ► Page after** in the program window **Report template** a new empty report report page is inserted after the report page shown.



Navigating

In report templates with several pages the navigation bar can be used to switch to the required page.



Jumps to first page.



Jumps to previous page.



Jumps to next page.



Jumps to last page.

4.4.1.4.2.5 Report template - Insert modules

Program window: **Database** ► **Report template**

In order to insert a module in a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the module bar and then placed on the report template by creating a field with the left mouse button. The Properties window of the corresponding module then opens automatically.

Form report

The following modules can be inserted in a form report:

- **Header**

Text field, Data field, Date field, Time field, Page number, Number of pages, Image, Line, Rectangle, Curve, Calibration curve

- **Report section**

Text field, Data field, Date field, Time field, Fixed report, Group field, Image, Line, Rectangle, Curve, Calibration curve

- **Footer**

Text field, Data field, Date field, Time field, Page number, Number of pages, Image, Line, Rectangle, Curve, Calibration curve

Tabular report

The following modules can be inserted in a tabular report:

- **Header**

*Text field, Date field, Time field, Page number, Number of pages,
Image, Line, Rectangle*

- **Report section**

Text field, Data field, Date field, Time field, Group field, Image, Line, Rectangle,

- **Footer**

*Text field, Date field, Time field, Page number, Number of pages,
Image, Line, Rectangle*

4.4.1.4.2.6 Report template - Edit modules

Program window: **Database** ► **Report template**

Enable selection



This symbol in the Module bar must be switched on in order to be able to select modules in a report template for editing.

Select a single module

Single modules are selected with a click of the left mouse button. This automatically shows the corresponding properties of the module below the toolbar.

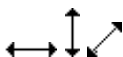
Select several modules

Several modules are selected by drawing a frame around the required modules with the left mouse button.

Moving, reducing, enlarging modules



When this cursor symbol appears then the selected modules can be moved about on the report template with the left mouse button pressed down.



When one of these cursor symbols appears then the selected modules can be reduced and enlarged respectively on the report template with the left mouse button pressed down.

Cutting, copying, pasting, deleting modules



Cut the selected modules and copy them to the clipboard.



Copy the selected modules to the clipboard.



Paste modules from the clipboard.



Delete the selected module.

Edit module properties



Open the properties window for the selected module. Alternatively the properties can also be edited directly below the toolbar.

4.4.1.4.2.7 Report template - Zoom

Program window: **Database** ► **Report template**



With this list box on the toolbar the required zoom step for showing the report template can be selected in steps of **25%** from **25%** to **400%**.

4.4.1.4.2.8 Report template - Page preview

Preview window: **Report template** ▶ **File** ▶ **Page preview** ▶ **Report preview**

With the symbol  or the menu item **File ► Page preview** in the program window **Report template** the window **Report preview** opens in which a page preview of the report template is shown with the data of the determinations selected in the determination overview.

Functions



Produces displayed report as PDF-file.



Selects the required zoom step for displaying the report preview, range **25%** to **400%** in steps of **25%**.

Select report page

In report templates with several pages the navigation bar **Page** can be used to switch to the required page.



Jumps to first page.



[Jumps to previous page.](#)



Jumps to next page.



Jumps to last page.



4.4.1.4.2.9 Report template - Comment

With the symbol  or the menu item **Edit ► Comment** in the program window **Report template** the window **Comment on report template** opens in which comments on the opened report template can be entered.

Enter comment on the report template that is shown in the List of report templates.

4.4.1.4.2.10 Report template - Options

With the menu item **Tools, Options** in the program window **Report template** the window **Options for report templates** opens in which various settings for the report template can be defined.

Unit

Selection	mm cm inch
Default value	mm

Name

Name of report template.

Saved

Date and time when the report template was saved.

Saved by

Short name of the user who saved the report template.

Comment

Comment on the report template.

Save report template

Name

Name under which the report template is to be saved.

Input	50 characters
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Note

The name of the report template must be unambiguous in the whole Client/Server system.

[Save]

Save the report template under the required name.

4.4.1.4.3 Report template - Modules

4.4.1.4.3.1 Report template - Text field

Program window: **Database ► Report template**

Text fields are used for showing any texts in the report.

Insert



In order to insert a text field into a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and placed on the report template by creating a field with the left-hand mouse key.

Properties

X pos.

x-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Y pos.

y-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Width

Width of image field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Height

Height of image field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Selection of the available Windows fonts.



Font size in pt.



Color selection.



Bold.



Italic.



Underlined.



Left-justified.



Centered.



Right-justified.



Switches line break on/off for multi-line text fields.



Fills the field with dots.

Text

Entry of text for the text field.

4.4.1.4.3.2 Report template - Data field

Program window: **Database ▶ Report template**

Data fields are used for showing determination data in a report.

Insert



In order to insert a data field into a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and placed on the report template by creating a field with the left-hand mouse key.

Properties

X pos.

x-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Y pos.

y-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Width

Width of data field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Height

Height of data field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Selection of the available Windows fonts.



Font size in pt.



Color selection.



Bold.



Italic.



Underlined.



Left-justified.



Centered.



Right-justified.



Switches line break on/off for multi-line data fields.



Fills the field with dots.

Prefix

Text placed in front of the data field contents.

Input	50 characters
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Data field

Shows path and name of selected data field (the field cannot be edited directly). With  a window opens for selecting the data field in which all the available fields for the determination overview are shown in a tree structure. With a double-click on the required field the path and name of the data field are entered.

Suffix

Text placed after the data field contents.

Input	50 characters
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Shows a formatted example of text.

Program window: **Database** ► **Report template**

Date fields are used for showing the current date in a report.



In order to insert a date field into a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and placed on the report template by creating a field with the left-hand mouse key.

Properties

X pos.

x-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Y pos.

y-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Width

Width of date field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Height

Height of date field.

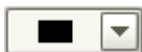
Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Selection of the available Windows fonts.



Font size in pt.



Color selection.



Bold.



Italic.



Underlined.



Left-justified.



Centered.



Right-justified.



Fills the field with dots.

Prefix

Text placed in front of the date field contents.

Input	50 characters
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Suffix

Text placed after the date field contents.

Input	50 characters
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Sample

Shows the formatted date.

4.4.1.4.3.4 Report template - Time field

Program window: **Database ▶ Report template**

Time fields are used for showing the actual time in the report.

Insert



In order to insert a time field in a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and then placed on the report template by creating a field with the left-hand mouse key.

Properties

X pos.

x-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Y pos.

y-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Width

Width of time field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Height

Height of time field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Selection of the available Windows fonts.



Font size in pt.



Color selection.



Bold.



Italic.



Underlined.



Left-justified.



Centered.



Right-justified.



Fills the field with dots.

Prefix

Text placed in front of the contents of the time field.

Input	50 characters
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Suffix

Text to be placed after the contents of the time field.

Input	50 characters
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Preview

Shows the formatted time.

4.4.1.4.3.5 Report template - Page number

Program window: Database ▶ Report template

The actual page number in the report is produced in a page number field.

Insert



In order to insert page number field into a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and then placed in the header or footer of the report template by creating a field with the left-hand mouse key.

Properties

X pos.

x-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Y pos.

y-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Width

Width of the page number field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Height

Height of the page number field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Selection of the available Windows fonts.



Font size in pt.



Color selection.



Bold.



Italic.



Underlined.



Left-justified.



Centered.



Right-justified.



Fills the field with dots.

Prefix

Text placed in front of the page number field.

Input	50 characters
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Suffix

Text placed after the page number field.

Input	50 characters
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Preview

Shows the formatted page number.

4.4.1.4.3.6 Report template - Number of pages

Program window: Database ▶ Report template

This field shows the total number of pages in the report.

Insert



In order to insert a number of pages field into a report template, the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and then placed in the header or footer of the report template by creating a field with the left-hand mouse key.

Properties

X pos.

x-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Y pos.

y-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Width

Width of the field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Height

Height of the field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Selection of the available Windows fonts.



Font size in pt.



Color selection.



Bold.



Italic.



Underlined.



Left-justified.



Centered.



Right-justified.



Fills the field with dots.

Prefix

Text placed in front of the field contents.

Input	50 characters
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Suffix

Text placed after the field contents.

Input	50 characters
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Preview

Shows the formatted number of pages.

4.4.1.4.3.7 Report template - Fixed report

Program window: **Database ► Report template**

Fixed reports are used for producing predefined part-reports of the determination in the report.

Insert



In order to insert a fixed report in a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and then placed on the report template by creating a field with the left mouse button.



Selection of the type of line.

4.4.1.4.3.11 Report template - Rectangle

Program window: Database ▶ Report template

Any rectangle can be inserted in the report template.

Insert



In order to insert a rectangle into a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and placed on the report template by creating a field with the left-hand mouse key.

Properties

X pos.

x-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Y pos.

y-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Width

Width of the rectangle.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Height

Height of the rectangle.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Thickness

Thickness of the line for the rectangle.

Range	0.1 ... 10.0 mm
Default value	0.5 mm



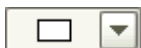
Selection of the line color.



Selection of the type of line for the rectangle.



Switches the fill color on and off.



Selection of the fill color.

4.4.1.4.3.12 Report template - Curve field

Program window: **Database ► Report template**

Curve fields are used for showing determination curves in the report.

Insert



In order to insert a curve in a report template the corresponding symbol must be selected on the Module bar and then placed on the report template by creating a field with the left mouse button.

Properties



Note

The properties are saved individually for each curve field. This means that it is possible, e.g., to show several different curves for the same measuring command beside one another in several curve fields.

X pos.

x-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Y pos.

y-position within the permitted section.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Width

Width of curve field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page width) mm
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Height

Height of curve field.

Range	0.0000 ... (max. page height) mm
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Only the curve generated during the last run of the command is displayed.

The curves of all runs of the command are displayed.

Dialog window: **Database** ▶ **Tools** ▶ **Templates** ▶ **Curve overlay templates...** ▶ **Curve overlay templates** ▶ **[Properties]** ▶ **Properties - Overlay curves - 'Name'**

Entry of comment on the curve overlay template.

Comment on control chart.

Input	1000 characters
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4.4.3.1 Managing control chart templates

Menu item: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Control chart templates... ▶ Control chart templates**

With the menu item **Tools ► Templates ► Control chart templates...**, the dialog window **Control chart templates** opens in which the globally available templates for control charts can be managed.

Template table

The table with the defined templates cannot be edited, although it can be sorted according to the selected column in increasing or decreasing sequence by clicking on the column title

Template name

Shows the name of the template.

Comment

Shows the comments about the template.

Functions

[New]

Create new template. The dialog window **Properties - Control chart template** opens in which the properties for the new template can be defined.

[Properties]

The dialog window **Properties - Control chart template** opens, in which the properties of the template selected in the table can be edited.



[Delete]

Delete template.

[Copy]

Copies the template and saves it under the name **Copy of...**

4.4.3.2 Editing control chart templates

4.4.3.2.1 Control chart template - Properties

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Control chart templates... ▶ Control chart templates ▶ [Properties] ▶ Properties - Control chart - 'Name'**

Template name

Name for the control chart template which is saved in the configuration database per client.

Input	50 characters
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Tabs

The properties of a control chart template can be set on the following 4 tabs:

- *Graphical parameters*
Parameters for the graphical display of the control chart.
- *Limits*
Definition of warning and intervention limits for the control chart.
- *Statistics*
Display of statistics data on the control chart.
- *Comment*
Enter comment on the template.

4.4.3.2.2 Control chart template - Graphical parameters

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Control chart templates... ▶ Control chart templates ▶ [Properties] ▶ Properties - Control chart - 'Name'**

Parameters for the graphical display of the control chart.

y axis

Result

Selection of the result column whose value is to be shown on the y axis.

Selection	RS01	RS02	RS03	RS04	RS05	RS06	RS07
	RS08	RS09	RS10	RS11	RS12	RS13	RS14
	RS15	RS16	RS17	RS18	RS19	RS20	RS21
	RS22	RS23	RS24	RS25			
Default value	RS01						

Freely definable axis label for the y axis.

Selection of the background color for the control chart.

Selection of the symbol for the display of the measured values.

Selection of the color for the measuring point symbol.

on | off (Default value: **off**)

If this check box is activated, then the measured value points will be joined by a line.

4.4.3.2.3 Control chart template - Limit values

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Control chart templates... ▶ Control chart templates ▶ [Properties] ▶ Properties - Control chart - 'Name'**

Definition of warning and intervention limits to be shown on the control chart.

Warning limits

Warning limits are always in **orange** on the control chart.

Lower warning limit.

Upper limit

Upper warning limit.

Input	10 digits
Range	-1.0E8 ... 1.0E8 (max. 10 digits)

Intervention limits

Intervention limits are displayed in **red** on the control chart.

Lower limit

Lower intervention limit.

Input	10 digits
Range	-1.0E8 ... 1.0E8 (max. 10 digits)

Upper limit

Upper intervention limit.

Input	10 digits
Range	-1.0E8 ... 1.0E8 (max. 10 digits)

4.4.3.2.4 Control chart template - Statistics

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Control chart templates... ▶ Control chart templates ▶ [Properties] ▶ Properties - Control chart - 'Name'**

Definition of the display of statistics data on the control chart.

Show the statistics data

on | off (Default value: **on**)

If this check box is activated, then below the graph the statistics data for **Mean value, Standard deviation, Number of measuring points** and **Minimum and maximum values** will be shown.

Draw in mean value

on | off (Default value: **on**)

If this check box activated, then the **Mean value** will be shown on the control chart as a continuous line in the color of the measured value.

Draw in standard deviation

on | off (Default value: **on**)

If this check box is activated, then the two values **Mean value + Absolute standard deviation** and **Mean value - Absolute standard deviation** will be shown on the control chart as dotted lines in the color of the measured value.

4.4.3.2.5 Control chart template - Comment

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Control chart templates... ▶ Control chart templates ▶ [Properties] ▶ Properties - Control chart - 'Name'**

Entry of comment on the control chart template.

Comment

Comment on control chart.

Input	1000 characters
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4.4.4 Export templates

4.4.4.1 Export templates manager

Dialog window: **Database ► Tools ► Templates ► Export templates... ► Export templates**

With the menu item **Tools ► Templates ► Export templates**, the dialog window **Export templates** opens in which the globally available templates for manual or automatic export of determination data can be managed.

Template table

The table with the defined templates cannot be edited, although it can be sorted according to the selected column in increasing or decreasing sequence by clicking on the column title

Name

Shows the name of the export template.

File type

Shows the file format of the export template for data export.

Comment

Shows the comment on the export template.

Functions

[New]

Creates a new export template. The dialog window **Export template** opens in which the properties for the new template can be defined.

[Properties]

The dialog window **Export template** opens, in which the properties of the template selected in the table can be edited.

[Delete]

Delete the selected export template.

[Copy]

Copies the selected export template and saves under the name **Copy of....**

4.4.4.2 Edit export templates

4.4.4.2.1 Export template - Properties

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Export templates... ▶ Export templates ▶ [Properties] ▶ Export template 'Name'**

[Properties] is used to open the dialog window **Export template 'Name'** in which the properties of the selected export template can be edited.

Name

Name of export template.

Input	50 characters
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Comment

Freely definable comment on the export template.

Input	250 characters
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Target directory

Entry or selection (with ) of the path for the folder in which the export file is to be saved.

Input	1000 characters
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File type

Selection of the file format for data export:

Selection	*.tdet (tiBase format) *.csv (comma-separated) *.slk (SLK format) *.xml (XML format) *.csv (measuring point list)
Default value	*.tdet (tiBase format)

***.tdet (tiBase format)**

Program-specific data exchange format that can only be imported into other tiBase 1.0 databases.

***.csv (comma-separated)**

Data exchange format with unformatted text that can be imported into other PC programs (e.g. Excel, Access).

***.slk (SLK format)**

Data exchange format with formatted text that can be imported into other PC programs (e.g. Excel).

***.xml (XML format)**

Data exchange format with XML code that can be imported into corresponding PC programs.

***.csv (measuring point list)**

Data exchange format for the measuring point list with unformatted text, which can be imported into corresponding PC programs. The text file contains a document header with date/time of the determination and the determination ID, then the measuring point lists of the separate commands are listed one after the other. The command name is listed first for each measuring point list, followed by a header with the designations and the units of the measured values of the command. This is followed by the list of the measuring points, each measuring point is listed in a separate line and consists of a time indication and all measured values generated by the command.

[Select fields]

Opens the dialog window **Select fields** in which the required fields for export can be selected, arranged in the required sequence and renamed.



Note

Field selection is only possible for the file types ***.csv** and ***.slk**. With ***.tdet** and ***.xml** all fields will always be exported.

[Options]

Opens the dialog window **Options**, in which the separators can be defined.



Note

The options can only be set for the data types ***.csv (comma separated)** and ***.csv (measuring point list)**.

File name

One of the following options can be selected for the definition of the name of the export file:

Selection	Determination ID Sample identification Request on each export Fixed file name (append data)
Default value	Determination ID

Determination ID

If this option is selected then the name of the export file will be formed from the unambiguous **Determination ID**, the **Computer name**, the date stamp **-YYYYMMDD-HHMMSS** and the suffix for the format.



Remove selected field.



Modifies the sequence of the exported fields by moving the selected field up.



Modifies the sequence of the exported fields by moving the selected field down.

4.4.4.2.3 **Export template - Options for CSV format**

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Export templates... ▶ Export templates ▶ [Properties] ▶ Export template ▶ [Options] ▶ Options for CSV format**

With **[Options]** in the Properties window for export templates the dialog window **Options for CSV format** opens in which the separators can be defined.

Field separator

Selection of the field separator.

Selection	; , Tab
Default value	;

Record separator

Selection of the data set separator (**CR** = Carriage return, **LF** = Line feed).

Selection	CR/LF CR LF
Default value	CR/LF

Header

on | off (Default value: **on**)

If this check box is activated, the column headers are exported at the beginning of the export file.

4.4.4.2.4 **Export template - Options for measurement point list**

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Tools ▶ Templates ▶ Export templates... ▶ Export templates ▶ [Properties] ▶ Export template ▶ [Options] ▶ Options for measuring point list**

With **[Options]** in the Properties window for export templates the dialog window **Options for measurement point list** opens in which the separators can be defined.

Field separator

Selection of the field separator.

Selection	; , Tab
Default value	;

4.4.4.2.5 Export template - Request at file export

Dialog window: **Database** ▶ **Tools** ▶ **Templates** ▶ **Export templates...** ▶ **Export templates** ▶ **[Properties]** ▶ **Export template**

If in the properties of the export template under **File name** the option **Request on each export** has been selected (*see Chapter 4.4.4.2.1, page 174*), then before the export of a determination the dialog **File export** is displayed.

Target directory

Shows the target directory for the export file, which has been defined in the properties of the export templates (see *Chapter 4.4.4.2.1, page 174*) used.

File name

Name under which the export file is to be saved in the **Target directory**. During creating the file the user name as well as the current time stamp are automatically attached to the name entered.

[OK]

The export of the corresponding determination is carried out to the indicated file.

[Cancel]

The export of *the corresponding determination* is canceled. If several determinations have been selected to be exported, then the dialog **File export** will be displayed for the next determination.

[Cancel all]

The export of *all selected determinations* is canceled.

4.4.4.3 XML export

XML export

General

An XML export file with all determination data can be created when an XML report template is used at the export of the determinations.

Structure

An XML export file is constructed as follows:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1" ?>
```

–<DeterminationReport>	Determination report
<xmlCreator val="" />	Program name
<xmlCreatorVersion val="" />	Program version
<xmlCreatorBuildNo val="" />	Build number
<subtype val="" />	
+ <Determination>	Determination data
+ <Method>	Method data
+ <Sample>	Sample data
+ <Results dynamic="">	Results overview
+ <ResultaSingle="">	Single results
+ <Command Data dynamic="">	Command variables
+ <Comvars dynamic="">	Common variables
+ <usedDevices dynamic="">	Device data
+ <usedSensors dynamic="">	Sensor data
+ <Statistics>	Statistical data
–<System>	System data
<userName val="" />	User name (abbreviation)
<userNameFull val="" />	User name (full name)
<clientName val="" />	Client name
<progVersion val="" />	Program version - Build number
<licenseRoot val="" />	License code
</Sytem>	
</DeterminationReport>	



Note

dynamic= means that the following nodes can appear more than once.
The actual data is situated between " ".

<progVersion val=""/>

Program version and build number of the program at recording the determination.

<licenseRoot val=""/>

License start number of the program at recording the determination.

</Acquisition>

– **<Version>**

Information about the determination version.

<signOffState val=""/>

Signature status

no

Determination not signed.

Level 1

Determination signed on level 1.

Level 2

Determination signed on level 2.

<version val=""/>

Version of the determination.

<status val="original"/>

Determination status:

original

Determination data unaltered.

modified

Determination data modified.

<recalcDate val=""/>

Date and time when the reprocessed determination version was saved.

<recalcedBy val=""/>

Short name of user logged in when determination was reprocessed.

<recalcedByuserFull val=""/>

Full name of user logged in when determination was reprocessed.

<recalcReason val=""/>

Reason for the determination modification.

<changeComment val=""/>

User comment on the determination modification.

</Version>

– **<Miscellaneous>**

Different determination data.

<deterComment val=""/>

Comment, which has been entered on the determination.

– **<runMessages dynamic="">**

Messages

– **<data>**

Message

<subtype val=""/>

</data>	
</SystemVars>	
</Miscellaneous>	
– <signOff dynamic="">	Signatures
– <data>	Signature
<subtype val=""/>	
– <signature>	
<vr val=""/>	
	Shows at which level the determination has been signed (Level 1 or Level 2).
</signature>	
– <signDate>...</signDate>	Date and time at which the determination was signed.
– <userName>...</userName>	Short name of the user who signed the determination.
– <userNameFull>...</userNameFull>	Full name of the user who signed the determination.
– <reason>...</reason>	Reason for signature.
– <comment>...</comment>	Comment on the signature.
</data>	
</signOff>	
</Determination>	

4.4.4.3.2 XML export - Method data

XML export

– <Method>	Method data
– <Identification>	Information about the identification of the method.
<methodName val=""/>	
	Name of the method.
<methodID val=""/>>	
	Method ID:
	Unambiguous and unmistakable identification for the method.
<methodComment val=""/>	
	Method comment (Command comment on START command).

– <signature>	
<vr val=""/>	Shows at which level the method has been signed (Level 1 or Level 2).
<</signature>>	
– <signDate>...</signDate>	Date and time at which the method was signed.
– <userName>...</userName>	Short name of the user who signed the method.
– <userNameFull>...</userNameFull>	Full name of the user who signed the method.
– <reason>...</reason>	Reason for signature.
– <comment>...</comment>	Comment on the signature.
</data>	
</signOff>	
</Method>	

4.4.4.3.3 XML export - Sample data

XML export

– <Sample>	Sample data
– <Smpl.Data>	Sample data
– <SmplSize>	Sample size.
– <data>...</data>	<i>see above</i>
</SmplSize>	
– <SmplUnit>	Sample size unit.
– <data>...</data>	<i>see above</i>
</SmplUnit>	
</SmplData>	
– <Identification>	Sample identifications.
– <ID__01>	Sample identification ID1.
– <data>...</data>	<i>see above</i>
</ID__01>	
– <ID__02>	<i>see above</i>
</Identification>	
</Sample>	

</data>

</fv>

- <sme>

Mean value of the result.

- <data>

<vr val="" />

Mean value with the number of decimal places defined in the CALC command.

<vf val="" />

Mean value with full precision.

<vs val="" />

Variable status (*see above*).

</data>

<sme>

- <abs>

Absolute standard deviation of the result.

- <data>

<vr val="" />

Absolute standard deviation with the number of decimal places defined in the CALC command.

<vf val="" />

Absolute standard deviation with full precision.

<vs val="" />

Variable status (*see above*).

</data>

<abs>

- <rel>

Relative standard deviation of the result.

- <data>

<vr val="" />

Absolute standard deviation with the number of decimal places defined in the CALC command.

<vf val="" />

Relative standard deviation with full precision.

<vs val="" />

Variable status (*see above*).

</data>

<vs val=""/>

Result status:

OK = The value is ok and has not been monitored.

OKL = The value is ok and has been monitored.

LE = The value exceeded the limit and has not been monitored.

LEL = The value exceeded the limit and has been monitored..

NV = The value is invalid and has not been monitored.

NVL = The value is invalid and has been monitored.

<vt val=""/>

Result type:

TX = Text

NR = Number

DT = Date/Time

NA = Unknown

<vn val=""/>

Result name.

<un val=""/>

Unit of the result.

<fo val=""/>

Formula used for the calculation of the result.

- <fv dynamic="">

Variables used for the calculation of the result.

- <data>

<vr val="" />

<vs val="" />

<vt val=""/>

<vn val=""/>

</data>

- <sme>

Mean value of the result.

- <data>

<vr val="" />

Mean value with the number of decimal places defined in the CALC command.

<vf val="" />

Mean value with full precision.

<vs val=""/>

Variable status (*see above*).

</data>


```

</data>
<RS01>
<RS02> ... <RS25>
</ResultsSingle>

```

Further single results (*see above*)

4.4.4.3.6 XML export - Command data

XML export

```

- <CommandData dynamic="">    Command data
- <Command>                    Data on command
  <subtype val="" />
  <data val="" />              Command name.Index
  <commandType val="" />       Command type.
- <CommandVars dynamic="">    Command variables
  - <data>
    <vt val="" />              Variable type:
                                TX = Text
                                NR = Number
                                DT = Date/Time
                                NA = Unknown
    <vn val="" />              Variable identification
    <vr val="" />              Variable value.
  </data>
</CommandVars>
- <Sensor>                     Data on sensor.
  <subtype val="" />           Type of sensor:
                                XML_SENSOR_OTHER = Other sensor
                                XML_SENSOR_PH = pH sensor
                                XML_SENSOR_ION = ISE sensor
                                XML_SENSOR_METAL = Metal sensor
                                XML_SENSOR_TEMP = Temperature sensor
                                XML_SENSOR_COND = Conductivity sensor
  - <sensorData>               Data on sensor.
    <sensorName val="" />      Sensor name.

```


<<RowDesc val="" />	Column header for buffers/standards.
<NominalVal val="" />	Column header for nominal value.
<MeasVal val="" />	Column header for measured value.
<CalTemp val="" />	Column header for calibration temperature.
<CalDur val="" />	Column header for duration of measurement.
<header>	
– <body dynamic="">	
– <data>	
<RowDesc> ... </RowDesc>	Buffer/Standard.
<NominalVal> ... </NominalVal>	Nominal value.
<MeasVal> ... </MeasVal>	Measured value.
<CalTemp> ... </CalTemp>	Calibration temperature.
<CalDur> ... </CalDur>	Duration of measurement in s.
</data>	
</body>	
</CalibrationTable>	
</CalibData>	
– <StdAddData>	Standard addition data
<slope val="" />	Calculated slope of the standard addition curve.
<e0 val="" />	Calculated axis intercept of the standard addition curve.
<ion val="" />	Ion (Valency).
<conc val="" />	Calculated valency.
<concUnit val="" />	Concentration unit.
<variance val="" />	Variance.
– <StdAddTable>	Standard addition solutions.
– <header>	Column headers.
<RowDesc val="" />	Column header for measuring solution.
<dV val="" />	Column header for addition volume.
<MeasVal val="" />	Column header for measured value.
<dU val="" />	Column header for measured value differential.
<Dur val="" />	Column header for duration of measurement.
</header>	


```

</data>
</EndPoints>
</Command>
</CommandData>

```

4.4.4.3.7 XML export - Common Variables

XML export

– <Comvars dynamic>

Common variables

– <data>

<subtype val="" />

<vr val="" />

Variable value.

<vs val="" />

Variable status:

OK = The value is ok and has not been monitored.

OKL = The value is ok and has been monitored.

LE = The value exceeded the limit and has not been monitored.

LEL = The value exceeded the limit and has been monitored..

NV = The value is invalid and has not been monitored.

NVL = The value is invalid and has been monitored.

<vt val="" />

Variable type:

TX = Text

NR = Number

DT = Date/Time

NA = Unknown

<vn val="" />

Variable name.

<un val="" />

Unit of the variable.

<am val="" />

Assignment method.

<at val="" />

Assignment date.

</data>

</Comvars dynamic>

4.4.4.3.8 XML export - Device data

XML export

- <usedDevices dynamic="">	Device data
- <Device>	Data on device.
<subtype val="" />	
- <deviceType>	Device type.
<vn val="" />	Parameter name.
<vr val="" />	Parameter value.
</deviceType>	
- <deviceName> ... </device-Name>	Device name.
- <instrNo> ... </instrNo>	Device serial number.
- <deviceProgNo> ... </device-ProgNo>	Device program number.
- <rackName> ... </rackName>	Rack name.
- <rackCode> ... </rackCode>	Rack code.
- <towerNoOne> ... </tower-NoOne>	Tower number.
- <swingHeadOneType> ... </swingHeadOneType>	Type of Swing Head on tower 1.
- <swingHeadOneSerial> ... </swingHeadOneSerial>	Serial number of the Swing Head on tower 1.
- <towerNoTwo> ... </tower-NoTwo>	Tower number.
- <swingHeadTwoType> ... </swingHeadTwoType>	Type of Swing Head on tower 2.
- <swingHeadTwoSerial> ... </swingHeadTwoSerial>	Serial number of the Swing Head on tower 2.
- <devicePorts dynamic="">	Data on the peripheral devices connected.
- <Port>	
<subtype val="" />	Type of the device connected to the port:
	XML_PORT_DEVICE_DOS = Dosing/Exchange unit
	XML_PORT_DEVICE_REMOTE = Remote Box
	XML PORT DEVICE STIR = Stirrer

– <dosPortName> ... </dosPortName>	Number of the MSB connector the dosing device was connected to.
– <dosType> ... </dosType>	Dosing device type.
– <dosSerial> ... </dosSerial>	Dosing device serial number.
– <exchDosUnit>	Data on exchange/dosing unit.
– <exdosTitle> ... </exdosTitle>	Designation of the exchange/dosing unit.
– <exdosName> ... </exdosName>	Name of the exchange/dosing unit.
– <exdosType> ... </exdosType>	Type of exchange/dosing unit.
– <exdosOrder> ... </exdosOrder>	Order number of exchange/dosing unit.
– <exdosSerial> ... </exdosSerial>	Serial number of exchange/dosing unit.
– <cylVol> ... </cylVol>	Cylinder volume of exchange/dosing unit.
– <cylSerial> ... </cylSerial>	Cylinder serial number of exchange/dosing unit.
– <Solution>	Data on solution.
– <solTitle> ... </solTitle>	Solution title.
– <solutionName> ... </solutionName>	Solution name.
– <conc> ... </conc>	Concentration.
– <concUnit> ... </concUnit>	Concentration unit.
– <solCreationTime> ... </solCreationTime>	Production date.
– <titer> ... </titer>	Titer value.
– <titerUnit> ... </titerUnit>	Titer unit.
– <titerCreationTime> ... </titerCreationTime>	Date and time of the last titer determination.
– <titerMethod> ... </titerMethod>	Name of the method with which the last titer determination was carried out.
</Solution>	
</exchDosUnit>	
– <stirrerPortName> ... </stirrerPortName>	Number of the MSB connector the stirrer was connected to.
– <stirrerType> ... </stirrerType>	Type of stirrer.
– <serialStirrer> ... </serialStirrer>	Serial number.

<code><sensorCalMethod val="" /></code>	Calibration method.
<code><sensorCalUser val="" /></code>	User
<code><sensorCalMeasInput val="" /></code>	Measuring input at calibration.
<code></sensorData></code>	
<code></Sensor></code>	
<code></usedSensors></code>	

4.4.4.3.10 XML export - Statistical data

XML export

<code>- <Statistics></code>	Statistical data
<code><subtype val="" /></code>	
<code><nMax val="" /></code>	Maximum number of statistically evaluated results.
<code>- <StatisticsShort dynamic=""></code>	Statistical data on the separate results.
<code>- <data></code>	
<code><subtype val="" /></code>	
<code>- <resName></code>	
<code><vr val="" /></code>	Result name.
<code><vf val="" /></code>	
<code></resName></code>	
<code>- <n> ... </n></code>	Number of the result among the statistically evaluated results.
<code>- <sme> ... </sme></code>	Mean value of the result.
<code>- <un> ... </un></code>	Result unit.
<code>- <abs> ... </abs></code>	Absolute standard deviation of the result.
<code>- <rel> ... </rel> ...</code>	Relative standard deviation of the result.
<code>- <min> ... </min> ...</code>	Minimum value of the result.
<code>- <max> ... </max> ...</code>	Maximum value of the result.
<code></data></code>	
<code></StatisticsShort></code>	
<code>- <StatisticsOverview content-Type="table"></code>	Statistical data overview
<code><subtype val="" /></code>	
<code>- <tableHeader></code>	Column headers (dynamic).

If the value of a result is monitored and lies within the limits defined, then it will be shown in **green**. If it is outside these limits then the value will be shown in **red**.



Note

Lines that contain red entries will also show the line number with a red background.

Updating

As long as the program part **Database** remains open modifications in the determination table, caused by running determinations or by other users (addition, editing or deletion of data sets), will not be shown automatically. The table must either be updated with **View ► Update** or newly sorted or filtered. Each switch from a different program part to the program part **Database** automatically updates the determination table.

Table view

With a click on the column title the table can be sorted according to the selected column in either increasing or decreasing sequence. The table view can be adapted with the left-hand mouse button as follows:

- **Drag the border between column titles:**
Sets the column width.
- **Double-click on the border between column titles**
Sets the optimal column width.
- **Drag the column title**
Moves the column to the required location.

Data record selection and table navigation

The determinations selected in the table are shown in **turquoise**, the focused determination whose data is shown in the other Subwindows is indicated by an arrow in front of the line number. There are various opportunities for data set selection in the table.

In the determination table it is not possible to show more than 200 determinations at once. If more than 200 data sets are present in the database then the Navigation bar must be used to switch to further sets of determinations.

4.5.1.3 Determination overview - Column display

Dialog window: **Database ► View ► Properties ► Column display... ► Column display**

View ► Properties ► Column display... opens the dialog window **Column display**. Here you can define the columns that are to be shown in the determination table.

Available columns

Shows all the fields that can be shown as columns in the determination table.

Displayed columns

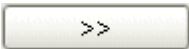
Shows all the fields that will be shown as columns in the determination table.

Default name

Non-editable name of the field that is displayed as column.

Displayed name

Editable name (by double click) of the column displayed in the determination overview.



Adds the selected column to the table.



Removes the selected column from the table.



Move selected column upwards.



Move selected column downwards.

4.5.1.4 Determination overview - Filter selection

Subwindow: **Database ▶ Determination overview**

Filter

Selection of the filter according to which the Determination table is to be filtered:

Selection	All determinations All statistics records Quick filter Temporary filter Filter name
Default value	All determinations

All determinations

The table is shown unfiltered.

All statistics records

The table is filtered so that all determinations are shown that are linked statistically with the selected determination.

Quick filter

The table is filtered according to the last defined **Quick filter**

Temporary filter

The table is filtered according to the last defined, not saved **Special filter**.

Filter name

The table is filtered according to the selected and saved **Special filter**.

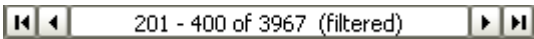
Statistics

With the statistics filter selected here the determinations shown in the Determination table can be additionally filtered according to the statistical data generated by the method independently of any other filters that may have been used.

Selection	All Last
All	All determinations are shown for all statistics series.
Last	Only the last determination is shown for all statistics series.

4.5.1.5 Determination overview - Navigation bar

Subwindow: **Database ▶ Determination overview**



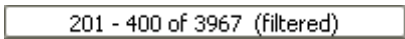
The navigation bar shown below the determination table is used for navigation in extensive tables in which all the determinations cannot be shown at once. It contains the following tools:



Jump to the first set of determinations in the table.



Jump back to the previous set of determinations in the table.



Display the selected set **#### - ####** of determinations in the table. If the table has not been filtered then the total number of all determinations will be shown. If the table has been filtered the total number of filtered determinations is shown with **(filtered)**.



Jump further to the next set of determination in the table.



Jump to the last set of determinations in the table.

4.5.1.7 Determination overview - Data record selection

Subwindow: **Database ► Determination overview**

The determinations selected in the table are shown in **turquoise**, the focused determination whose data is shown in the other Subwindows is indicated by an arrow in front of the line number. When a database is opened the first determination is always selected and focused.

The following possibilities are available for the selection of determinations in the determination table:

- **Single determinations**
Single determinations are selected by clicking on them with the mouse within the line (including line number). This determination, whose data is shown in the other opened subwindows, is now focused and receives an arrow in front of the line number.
- **Several determinations in sequence**
In order to select several determinations in sequence the required range can be selected with the left mouse button pressed down. It is also possible to select a range with a click on the first determination and **[Shift] & click** on the last determination. The last determination to be selected receives the focus.
- **Several determinations not in sequence**
In order to select several determinations not in sequence the individual determinations must be selected with the **Ctrl key** and the left mouse button. The last determination to be selected receives the focus.
- **All determinations**
With **[Ctrl] [A]** or by clicking on the uppermost left-hand table field all the filtered determinations within the current set of determinations are selected. The focus is retained.

4.5.1.8 Determination overview - Functions

Subwindow: **Database ► Determination overview**

With the determinations selected in the Determination table the following functions can be carried out:

Editing determinations

- *Update determination overview*
- *Enter determination comment*
- *Sign determinations*
- *Export determinations*
- *Import determinations*
- *Send determinations to*
- *Reprocess determinations*
- *Delete determinations*



invalid

It is being searched for values with the entry **invalid** .

outside limits

It is being searched for values which exceed the limit values defined for the selected fields (values presented in red).

Today

It is being searched for the current date. In addition, a range of days can also be defined in the field **Search word** in which, starting from the current date, the search is to be carried out.

for fields of the type = Number

Selection	= <> < <= > >= empty not empty invalid outside limits
Default value	=

invalid

It is being searched for values with the entry **invalid** .

outside limits

It is being searched for values which exceed the limit values defined for the selected fields (values presented in red).

Search word

Enter a search word for searching the selected data field. For fields of the **Type = Date** the date can be selected by pressing on [...] in the dialog window **Select date**.

for fields of the type = Text

Input	256 characters Definition of a text expression as search word. The last 10 search words are saved and can be selected. The following wildcards can be used in the search word:
Selection	^? ^# ^\$ ^*

^?

Wildcard for any character.

^#

Wildcard for any number.

^\$

Wildcard for any letter.

^*

Wildcard for any character string.

Match case

on | off (Default value: **off**)

If this check box is activated then upper/lower case will be differentiated when filtering **Text**-type fields.

Use asterisk (*) as wildcard

on | off (Default value: **off**)

If this check box is activated then when filtering **Text**-type fields the asterisk * can be used as a wildcard for any character strings.

4.5.2.5 Sign determinations

4.5.2.5.1 Rules for electronic signatures

Program part: **Database**

In tiBase determinations can be **electronically signed** at two levels. The following rules apply for this:

- **Signature levels**
Signature levels for determinations can be signed at two levels (Signature Level 1 and Signature Level 2) by entering the user name and password.
- **Multiple signing**
Determinations can be signed several times at each level.
- **Sign at Level 1**
If Level 2 has been signed then no more signatures are possible at Level 1.
- **Sign at Level 2**
Level 2 can only be signed if signatures already exist at Level 1.
- **Different users**
The same user may only sign on either Level 1 or Level 2.
- **Reason and comment**
Each signature must be accompanied by a reason selected from predefined default reasons. A further comment can also be entered.
- **Saved data**
The signature date, user name, full name, reason and comments are saved for each signature.
- **Deleting signatures 1**
Signatures at Level 1 are automatically deleted again when compiling a new version.
- **Deleting signatures 2**
Signatures at Level 2 can only be deleted by users who have the appropriate rights.
- **Signature options**
The options for electronic signatures are set in the **Signatures** tab in the **Security settings** dialog window.

User

Short name of the user who signed the determination.

Full name

Full name of the user who signed the determination.

Reason

Reason for signature.

Signature comment

Comment on the signature.

4.5.2.5.5 Delete Signature Level 2

Dialog window: Database ► Determinations ► Sign ► Delete signatures 2... ► Delete Signatures Level 2

The **Delete Level 2 signatures** window allows you to delete all signatures on Level 2 for the selected methods or determination.

User

Entry of the user name (short name).

Input	24 characters
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Password

Password entry.

Input	24 characters
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Reason

Selection from the **Default reasons** defined in the **Security Settings** dialog window for the category **Signature level 2**.

Selection	Selection from the Default reasons
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Comment

Entry of comment on the signature.

Input	1000 characters
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[Delete]

Delete Signatures 2.

- *Modifications*
Modification of variables, method, statistics, curve evaluation
- *Result view*
Shows current results

Functions

If determinations have been edited in the subwindow **Modifications** then the following functions can be triggered:

[Recalc]

Recalculate selected determination(s) with the modifications on variables, method, statistics or curve evaluation made in the subwindow **Modifications**.

A progress bar appears during the recalculating, the recalculating can be canceled with  next to the bar. The results of this recalculation are entered automatically in the subwindow **Result view**.

This button is inactive until modifications have actually been made. After the recalculation further data can be modified and then recalculation triggered again.

[Reset]

Reset all modifications made and unsaved during reprocessing to the original data and results.

This button is inactive for as long as no modifications have been made or when the recalculation has not yet been triggered.

[OK]

Close the dialog window **Reprocessing**. Each determination that has been modified by reprocessing will be saved as a new version with a version number increased by **+1**.

This button is inactive when the recalculation has not yet been triggered and if not all the selected determinations could have been recalculated.

[Cancel] or

Close the dialog window **Reprocessing**. The result of the reprocessing made since the last saving will not be saved.



Note

If the option **Comment on modification of determinations** is enabled under **Configuration ► Tools ► Security settings ► Audit Trail/Modifications**, the dialog window **Modification comment determination** is displayed before saving.

include: the method variables **FCT** (factor) and **DIV** (divisor), the sample data variables **C00** (sample size), **ID1** and **ID2** (sample identification, the common variables CV01 to CV25 as well as the following command variables:

- **1M.TITER**
Titer value of the solution used in the command.
- **1M.CONC**
Concentration of the solution used in the command.

Value

Display of the variable value. If a fixed value is defined for a variable, the value will be presented *in italics*.

[Modify]

Open the dialog window **Modify variable** to modify the value of an existing variable.



Note

If a variable is modified, then with **[Recalculate]** all the selected determinations will be recalculated with the new value. If one variable is not modified then when several determinations are recalculated the original value of the variable will be used (i.e. variables with the same name but different values will not be overwritten until they are deliberately modified).

4.5.2.6.4.3 Modifications - Calculations

Tab: **Database ▶ Determinations ▶ Reprocess... ▶ Reprocessing ▶ Modifications ▶ Calculations**

Table with calculations

The table contains details on the calculations.

Result variable

Variable, which is automatically generated by the program during the evaluation or by the results defined by the user.

Result name

Name of the result. This name will be shown in the result view as well as in the report. The result name can be used in further calculations as variable **RS.Result name.VAL**.

Formula

Calculation formula which can be generated after pressing in the formula editor.

**Zooming**

By drawing out a rectangle with the left mouse button the selected area can be zoomed.

**Reset zoom**

The graph will be reset to zoom level 100%.

**Copy to clipboard**

The content of the curve window is copied to the clipboard.

**Define properties for the graph display**

The dialog window **Properties - Curves #** is opened for graph display. The curve properties defined for each command type are saved for the reprocessing window per client.

**Show EP list**

The dialog window **Endpoints** is opened in which all endpoints of the selected curve are displayed in a table. If an endpoint is added to or deleted from the curve then the table will be updated automatically.

Show coordinates

The current coordinates of the cursor are shown in the coordinate display:

X:

X-coordinate.

Y:

Y-coordinate.

4.5.2.6.4.6.3**Curve evaluation - Endpoint list**

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Determinations ▶ Reprocess... ▶ Reprocessing ▶ Modifications ▶ Curve evaluation ▶ [Edit] ▶ Curve evaluation ▶ Show EP list ▶ Endpoints**

The dialog window **Endpoints** opened with the icon  shows all automatically found and manually set endpoints of the selected curve in tabular form. The endpoints are sorted according to ascending volume, if an endpoint is deleted from or added to the curve then the table will be updated automatically.

Endpoint

Designation of the endpoint with number. The following names are possible:

Selection	EP#
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Selection	5 line types
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Grid color

Selection of the grid line color.

Selection	13 colors gray
Default value	gray

Background**Background color**

Selection of the color for the curve background.

Selection	13 colors white
Default value	white

Show endpoints**Show endpoints**

on | off (Default value: **on**)

If this check box is activated then the endpoints found will be shown on the curve by the symbol ☐ and labeled with **EP#** (potentiometric endpoint), **BP#** (break point), **FP#** (fixed endpoint), **HP** (HNP), **MI** (minimum value) or **MA** (maximum value).

Automatic EPs

Selection of the color for automatically set endpoints.

Selection	13 colors black
Default value	black

Manual EPs

Selects the color for manually set endpoints.

Selection	13 colors pink
Default value	pink

Show evaluation lines**Show evaluation lines**

on | off (Default value: **off**)

If this check box is activated the evaluation lines (tangents, auxiliary lines) will be shown.

Tangents

Selection of the color for the tangents and auxiliary lines.

4.5.2.15 Determinations - Show calibration curve

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Determinations ▶ Show calibration curve... ▶ Calibration curve**

With the menu item **Determinations, Show calibration curve...** or the symbol  the calibration or standard addition curve is shown for the calibration selected in the dialog window **Calibration curve**.

Calibration curve for CAL LOOP pH

In the dialog window **Calibration curve** a tab marked with the command name showing the calibration curve and calibration data will be displayed for each CAL LOOP pH command. The command type is shown above the calibration curve. The curve display shows the measured values and the curve calculated from these measured values. Listed below are the individual measured values and the results for **Slope**, **E(0)** and **Variance**.

Calibration curve for CAL LOOP Conc

In the dialog window **Calibration curve** a tab marked with the command name showing the calibration curve and calibration data will be displayed for each CAL LOOP Conc command. The command type is shown above the calibration curve. The curve display shows the measured values and the curve calculated from these measured values. Listed below are the individual measured values and the results for **Slope**, **E(0)**, **c(blank)** and **Variance**. Calibration curve for CAL LOOP Conc

Standard addition curve for STDADD

In the dialog window **Calibration curve** a tab marked with the command name showing the standard addition curve and evaluation data will be displayed for each STDADD command. The command type is shown above the calibration curve. The curve display shows the measured values and the curve calculated from these measured values. Listed below are the individual measured values and the results for **Determination, Show calibration curve...**, **E(0)**, **Determination, Show calibration curve...** and **Variance**.



Note

Calibration curves cannot be printed out directly from the dialog window **Calibration curve**. Instead you should use a report with a report template which contains the fixed report.

Note

In the template the **Command type** is defined for which the overlaying of curves is possible. Curves from the selected determinations can only be overlaid when the determination method contains a command with this **Command type** (e.g. **DET**).

Selection of the command, whose curves are to be displayed with the selected template.

[Templates]

Open the dialog window **Curve overlay templates**.

Graphics presentation

Shows the curves according to the settings of the selected template. The command type (e.g. **DET pH**) is shown centrally above the graph. At the right of the curve the legend is shown with the line number in the determination table belonging to the determination.

The legend consists of the content of a data field which can be defined in the options of the template and of a counter, which identifies the curves if the same command has been executed several times during a determination.

[Print (PDF)]

Open the dialog window **Print curves (PDF)** (see Chapter 4.5.2.18, page 249). The content of the curve overlay with legend can be shown as a PDF file in the required format.

4.5.2.18 Print overlaid curves

Dialog window: **Database** ▶ **Determinations** ▶ **Overlay curves...** ▶ **Overlay curves** ▶ **[Print (PDF)]** ▶ **Print curves (PDF)**

With **[Print (PDF)]** in the dialog window **Overlay curves** the dialog window **Print curves (PDF)** is opened.

Orientation

Selection	Portrait Landscape
Default value	Landscape

Portrait

Produces control chart in portrait format.

Landscape

Produces control chart in landscape format.

Comment

Possibility of entering comments on the control chart which will be produced together with the control chart.

Input	1000 characters
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[OK]

Close dialog window. The control chart is shown in the required format as a PDF file and opened directly with the Acrobat Reader; it can then be printed out and/or saved.

4.5.2.19 Print control chart

In the dialog window **Print control chart (PDF)** the format for the printout of the control chart is indicated.

Orientation

Selection	Portrait Landscape
Default value	Landscape

Portrait

Produces control chart in portrait format.

Landscape

- Produces control chart in landscape format.

Comment

Possibility of entering comments on the control chart which will be produced together with the control chart.

Input	1000 characters
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[OK]

The control chart is shown in the required format as a PDF file and opened directly with the Acrobat Reader; it can then be printed out and/or saved.

Recording

Information about recording the determination.

Determination start:

Date and time at start of determination.

Determination duration:

Duration of the determination from its start to its end or termination in s.

Determination run:

Way in which the determination was ended:

Selection	Regular without errors	Manual stop	error
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Regular without errors

The determination was finished automatically after the method was processed normally and without any errors.

Manual stop

The determination has been ended with the **[Stop]** fixed key.

error

The determination has been ended because an error occurred.

User (short name):

Short name of the user.

Program version

Display of program version and build number of **tiBase** with which the PC_LIMS report was imported and edited.

Status/Version

Information about the determination version.

Determination status:

Selection	original	modified
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original

Determination data unaltered.

modified

Determination data modified.

Determination version:

Version of the determination. The unaltered original determination has the version number **1**, reprocessed determinations have a version number **>1**.

Reprocessing date:

Date and time when the reprocessed determination version was saved.

Reprocessed by (short name):

Short name of user logged in when determination was reprocessed. If a new version was generated automatically by reprocessing statistically linked determinations without modification of determination data, tiBase 1.0 will be displayed here.

Reprocessed by (full name):

Full name of user logged in when determination was reprocessed. If a new version was generated automatically by reprocessing statistically linked determinations without modification of determination data, **New generated version for statistics** will be displayed here.

Modification reason determination:

Reason for the determination modification.

Modification comment determination:

User comment on the determination modification.

Signature Level #

Information about the signatures at Level 1 or Level 2 in chronological order.

Signature date:

Date and time at which the determination was signed.

Signed by (short name):

Short name of user who signed the determination.

Signed by (full name):

Full name of user who signed the determination.

Signature reason:

Reason for signature selected by user.

Signature comment:

User comments on signing the determination.

4.6.3 Information - Method

Tab: **Database** ▶ **Information** ▶ **Method**

Shows general information about the method used.

Identification

Information about the identification of the method.



Method name:

Name of the method.

Method ID:

Unambiguous identification for the method.

Method comment:

Method comment (**Command comment** on **START** command).

Status/Version

Information about method version.

Method status:

Selection	new	modified	saved	reviewed	released
	new The method has been newly created and not yet saved.	modified The method has been reprocessed but not saved.	saved The method has been saved.	reviewed The method has been signed at stage 1.	released The method has been signed at stage 2.

Method version:

Version of the method the determination was created with.

Method saving date:

Date and time when the modified method version was saved.

Method saved by (short name):

Short name of user logged in when modified method was saved.

Modification reason method:

Reason for the method modification.

Modification comment method:

User comment on the method modification.

Signature Level #

Information about the signatures at Level 1 or Level 2 in chronological order.

Date and time at which the method was signed.

Short name of the user who signed the method.

Reason for signature selected by user.

User comments on signing the method.

Tab: **Database** ▶ **Information** ▶ **Sample**

Shows general information about the sample used.

Information about the sample. The only sample data shown is that for which a value is available.

Value for the sample size.

Unit of sample size.

Information about the sample identifications.

Shows the sample identification saved under **ID1**. The identifications will only be shown when a value is present.

Shows the sample identification saved under **ID2**. The identifications will only be shown when a value is present.

Tab: **Database** ▶ **Information** ▶ **Configuration**

Shows general information about the devices, sensors and common variables used.



Device 'Software name'

Information about the device used (only the existing device information will be shown).

Device type:

Name of the software.

Program version:

Version of the software.

Device serial number:

Serial number of the software.

Device 'Device name'

Information about the device used (only the existing device information will be shown).

Device type:

Type of device.

Program version:

Device program version.

Device serial number:

Serial number of the instrument.

Rack name:

Name of the rack on the sample changer.

Rack code:

Rack code of the rack on the sample changer.

Tower:

Number of the tower on which a Swing Head is used.

Swing Head type:

Type of Swing Head attached to tower.

Swing Head serial number:

Serial number of Swing Head attached to tower.

Measuring input:

Number of the measuring input (+ designation **iConnect** for intelligent sensors).

ADC type:

Type of analog/digital converter.

ADC serial number:

Serial number of measuring input.

Temperature sensor:

Type of connected temperature sensor.

Stirrer:

Stirrer connection at device.

Stirrer type:

Type of stirrer.

Stirrer serial number:

Serial number of stirrer.

Dosing device:

Dosing connection at device.

Dosing device type:

Dosing device type.

Dosing device serial number:

Serial number of dosing device.

Exchange/Dosing unit:

Type of exchange or dosing unit.

Remote Box:

Connection to device.

Buret serial number

Serial number of the buret.

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
FP#	FP#.MEA , pH , 3	FP#.TIM , s , 1	FP#.TEM , °C , 1	
MI	MI.MEA , pH , 3	MI.TIM , s , 1	MI.TEM , °C , 1	
MA	MA.MEA , pH , 3	MA.TIM , s , 1	MA.TEM , °C , 1	
BP#	BP#.MEA , pH , 3	BP#.TIM , s , 1	BP#.TEM , °C , 1	

Table 20 Command MEAS U

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
EME	EME , mV , 1			
ETE	ETE , °C , 1			
FP#	FP#.MEA , mV , 1	FP#.TIM , s , 1	FP#.TEM , °C , 1	
MI	MI.MEA , mV , 1	MI.TIM , s , 1	MI.TEM , °C , 1	
MA	MA.MEA , mV , 1	MA.TIM , s , 1	MA.TEM , °C , 1	
BP#	BP#.MEA , mV , 1	BP#.TIM , s , 1	BP#.TEM , °C , 1	

Table 21 Command MEAS Ipol

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
EME	EME , mV , 1			
ETE	ETE , °C , 1			
FP#	FP#.MEA , mV , 1	FP#.TIM , s , 1	FP#.TEM , °C , 1	
MI	MI.MEA , mV , 1	MI.TIM , s , 1	MI.TEM , °C , 1	
MA	MA.MEA , mV , 1	MA.TIM , s , 1	MA.TEM , °C , 1	
BP#	BP#.MEA , mV , 1	BP#.TIM , s , 1	BP#.TEM , °C , 1	

Table 22 Command MEAS Upol

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
EME	EME , μ A , 1			
ETE	ETE , °C , 1			
FP#	FP#.MEA , μ A , 1	FP#.TIM , s , 1	FP#.TEM , °C , 1	
MI	MI.MEA , μ A , 1	MI.TIM , s , 1	MI.TEM , °C , 1	
MA	MA.MEA , μ A , 1	MA.TIM , s , 1	MA.TEM , °C , 1	
BP#	BP#.MEA , μ A , 1	BP#.TIM , s , 1	BP#.TEM , °C , 1	

Table 23 Command MEAS T

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
EME	EME , °C , 1			

Table 28 Command CAL LOOP Conc

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
SLO	SLO , mV , 1			
ENP	ENP , - , 3			
BLV	BLV , "unit from configuration" , 2			

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Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
CLC	CLC , /cm , 3			
RTE	RTE , °C , 1			

Table 30 Command STDADD

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
SLO	SLO , mV , 1			
ENP	ENP , mV , 1			
RES	RES , "selected unit" , 1			
VAR	VAR , "leer" , 3			

Table 31 Command DOS pH

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
MR	MR.MRT , mL/min , 4	MR.MRS , mL/min , 4	MR.MRC , "leer" , 3	

Table 32 Command DOS U

Column 2: Variable	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
MR	MR.MRT , mL/min , 4	MR.MRS , mL/min , 4	MR.MRC , "leer" , 3	

4.7.4 Results - Calculation

Tab: Database ► Results ► Command name

For each calculation command the results and (if existent and desired) the corresponding statistical evaluations are displayed on a separate tab **Calculation_#**. The sequence of the shown results corresponds to that defined in the calculation command. The display of the statistical evaluations can be selected in the dialog window **Properties result window**

For every single result a maximum of the following information is displayed:

Assignment:

Assigns the result to one of the result columns **RS01...RS25** in the **Determination overview**.

Formula:

Shows the formula used for calculating the result.

'Variable name':

'Displays the variables used in the formula.'

**Note**

Variables that have not been created during the determination are not displayed and lead to invalid results.

4.7.5 Results - Properties

Dialog window **Database ► View ► Properties ► Properties ► Properties result window**

In the dialog window **Properties result window** the information to be displayed in the result window can be selected.

Display for results overview

Selection of the information to be displayed on the tab **Results overview**.

Results

on | off (Default value: **on**)

Shows all results.

Statistics

on | off (Default value: **off**)

Shows the statistics results.

Display for calculation commands

Selection of the information to be displayed on the tabs **Calculation_#**.

Results

on | off (Default value: **on**)

Shows the results defined in the calculation command.

 **Note**

When a new determination is selected the complete curve is always shown, i.e. the zoom range is not retained when the determination is changed.

Measuring point list

Dialog window: **Database ► Curves**

With the context-sensitive menu item **Measuring point list...** in the curve window the dialog window **Measuring point list - 'Command name.#'** opens for showing the measuring point list for the selected curve.

The display of the measuring points in the table can be defined per window and per command type in the **Properties - Curve #**

4.8.3 Properties

Dialog window: **Database ► Curves ► Properties curves #**

The properties for the display of curves can be set on the following 5 tabs:

- *x axis*
Parameters for the graphical display of the curves on the x axis.
- *y1 axis*
Parameters for the graphical display of the curves on the y1 axis (left-hand y axis).
- *y2 axis*
Parameters for the graphical display of the curves on the y2 axis (right-hand y axis).
- *Options*
Options for graphical display of curves.
- *Measuring point list*
Parameters for showing the measuring point list.

Dialog window: **Database ▶ Curves ▶ Properties curves # ▶ x axis**

Parameters for the graphical display of the curves on the x axis.



Command type

Selection of the command type for which the curve properties are to be defined. The curve properties defined for each command type are saved per curve window and per client.

Selection	DET MET SET KFT KFC BRC STAT MEAS DOS
Default value	DET



Note

When the dialog window is opened, those **Command type** will be selected as standard which applies for the curve shown in the curve window.

Autoscaling

on | off (Default value: **on**)

If this option is switched on then all axes in the curve window will be scaled automatically. In this case the fields **Start value** and **End value** cannot be edited.

Size

Selection of the quantity to be shown on the x axis.

For DET commands

Selection	Volume [mL] Measured value ERC Time [s] Temperature [°C] Calculated 1...3 External 1...3
Default value	Volume [mL]

For MET commands

Selection	Volume [mL] Measured value dMW Time [s] Temperature [°C] Calculated 1...3 External 1...3
Default value	Volume [mL]

For SET, STAT, DOS and KFT commands

Selection	Time [s] Measured value Volume [mL] dV/dt [μL/min] Temperature [°C] Calculated 1...3 External 1...3
Default value	Time [s]

Selection	Time [s] Measured value Amount [μg] Charge [mAs] Drift [μg/min] dV/dt [μ/min] Ugen Igen [mA] Calculated 1...3 External 1...3
Default value	Time [s]

Selection	Time [s] Measured value Amount [µg] Charge [mAs] Drift [µg/min] dV/dt [µ/min] Ugen Igen [mA] Calculated 1...3 External 1...3
Default value	Time [s]

Selection	Time [s]	Measured value	dMW/dt	Temperature [°C]
		Calculated 1...3	External 1...3	
Default value	Time [s]			

Freely definable axis label for the x axis. With **auto** the designation from the field **Size** will be used.

Selection	50 characters auto
Default value	auto

Start value

Initial value for scaling the x axis.

Only editable when autoscaling is disabled.

Range	-1.00E+12 ... +1.00E+12
Default value	0

End value for scaling the x axis.

Only editable when autoscaling is disabled.

Range	-1.00E+12 ... +1.00E+12
Default value	1000

Selection	Time [s] Measured value Volume [mL] dV/dt [μL/min] Temperature [°C] Calculated 1...3 External 1...3
Default value	Volume [mL]

Selection	Time [s] Measured value Amount [µg] Charge [mAs] Drift [µg/min] dV/dt [µ/min] Ugen Igen [mA] Calculated 1...3 External 1...3
Default value	Amount [µg]

Selection	Time [s] Measured value Amount [µg] Charge [mAs] Drift [µg/min] dV/dt [µ/min] Ugen Igen [mA] Calculated 1...3 External 1...3
Default value	Amount [µg]

Selection	Time [s]	Measured value	dMW/dt	Temperature [°C]	Calculated 1...3	External 1...3
Default value	Measured value					

Freely definable axis label for the y1 axis. With **auto** the designation from the field **Size** will be used.

Selection	50 characters auto
Default value	auto

Start value

Initial value for scaling the y1 axis.

Range	-1.00E+12 ... +1.00E+12
Default value	0

End value for scaling the y1 axis.

Only editable when autoscaling is disabled.

Range	-1.00E+12 ... +1.00E+12
Default value	1000

Curve

Curve color

Selection of the color for the curve line.

Selection	13 colors blue
Default value	blue

Symbol

Selection of the symbol for the display of the individual measuring points.

Selection	☒ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Default value	☐

No symbol

Measuring points are not shown.



Note

With curves, for which the distance between two measuring points is smaller than 5 pixels, the separate measuring points are not displayed anymore, even if a symbol has been selected. In this case, the graphics window can eventually be enlarged in order to display the symbols again.

Symbol color

Selection of the color for the measuring point symbol.

Selection	13 colors blue
Default value	blue

Smoothing

Smoothing

on | off (Default value: **on**)

Switches smoothing on/off for the curve.

Smoothing factor x axis

Factor for smoothing on the x axis.

Range	0.01 ... 1000
Default value	0.01

Smoothing factor y-axis

Factor for smoothing on the y axis.

Range	0.01 ... 1000
Default value	0.01

Show with original curve

on | off (Default value: **off**)

If this check box is activated, then the original curve (solid line, same color) will be shown in addition to the smoothed curve (dotted line).

4.8.3.4 Curve properties - y2 axis

Dialog window: **Database** ▶ **Curves** ▶ **Properties curves #** ▶ **y2 axis**

Parameters for the graphical display of the curves on the y2 axis (right-hand y axis).

Command type

Selection of the command type for which the curve properties are to be defined. The curve properties defined for each command type are saved per curve window and per client.

Selection	DET MET SET KFT KFC BRC STAT MEAS DOS
Default value	DET



Note

When the dialog window is opened, those **Command type** will be selected as standard which applies for the curve shown in the curve window.

Autoscaling

on | off (Default value: **on**)

If this option is switched on then all axes in the curve window will be scaled automatically. In this case the fields **Start value** and **End value** cannot be edited.

Size

Selection of the quantity to be shown on the y2 axis.

5 How to proceed?

5.1 Backup

5.1.1 Backing up database

How to proceed?

General

In **tiBase**, **determination databases** that in contrast to the **configuration database** can be generated by the user and contain the determination data are referred to as databases. Included among such determination data is the method data used for the determination, the measuring data generated during the determination and the results calculated from it.

In local server systems (**tiBase full**) the databases are stored on the drives administered by the computer and are only available to those users registered on that computer who have the appropriate access rights. In client/server systems (**tiBase multi**) the databases are stored on drives administered centrally by the server and are available globally throughout the entire Client/Server system, i.e. all users with the appropriate access rights can use these databases.



Note

Each determination database has to be backed up separately. Afterwards, it is recommended that all backed-up files be copied to an external directory or to a CD/DVD.

Backing up database manually

- 1 Select program part **Database**.
- 2 Click on the symbol  or menu item **File ► Database manager...**
The dialog window **Database manager** opens.
- 3 Select database.
- 4 Click on **[Backup]** in the dialog window **Database manager**.
The dialog window **Backup database 'Database name'** is opened.

- The dialog window **Backup configuration data automatically** opens.

- 4** Enter **Interval** for backup monitoring or date for the next backup in the field **Next backup**.

- The dialog window **Backup configuration data automatically** is closed and the configuration database will be backed up to the selected directory at the desired time.

How to proceed?

The dialog window **Restore configuration data** opens.

- The restoring of the configuration database is started.

- 1 Make sure that **tiBase** is closed on all clients connected to the server and on the server itself.

- 2 Start the file **ConfigRestore.exe** in the program directory...\\TiBaser\\bin on the server.

The dialog window **Restore configuration data** opens.

- 3 Select the directory in the **Backup directory** field in which the configuration database was backed up.

- 4** Select or enter the name for the desired backup file in the **Backup name** list box.

- 5** Click on **[Start]**.

The restoring of the configuration database is started.

5.2 Determinations

5.2.1 Search for determinations

How to proceed?

- 1** Select program part **Database**.

- 2 Click on the symbol or the menu item **File ▶ Open...**

The dialog window **Open database** opens.

- 3** Select desired database or enter name in the field **Database name**.

- 4** Click on **[Open]**.

The selected database opens and its data sets are displayed in the **Determination overview**.

- 5 Click on the symbol or the menu item **Determination ► Find...**

The dialog window **Search - Database 'Database name'** is opened.

- 6** Enter or select desired search terms and search options.

- 7** Click on **[Search next]**.

The next determination containing the search term is marked in the **Determination overview**.

How to proceed?

Defining and using special filter

- 1 Click on the symbol  or on **Filter** ► **Special filter** in the context menu

The dialog window **Special filter** opens for defining user-specific filters.

- 2 Use the **Edit ► Edit line** menu item to open the dialog window **Edit filter criterion New filter**.

- ### 3 Define filter criteria.

- 4** Click on **[Save filter]**.

- 5** Click on **[Apply filter]**.

The table will be filtered.

Using special filter

- 1** In the list box **Filter**, select the desired special filter.

The table will be filtered.

5.2.3 Sign determination

How to proceed?

Selecting determination

- 1** Select program part **Database**.

- 2 Click on the symbol  or the menu item **File ▶ Open...**

The dialog window **Open database** opens.

- 3** Select desired database or enter name in the field **Database name**.

- 4** Click on **[Open]**.

The selected database opens and its data sets are displayed in the **Determination overview**.

- ### Signature 1



1 Click on the symbol  or menu item **Determinations ► Sign ► Signature 1...**

2 Enter or select **User**, **Password**, **Reason** and **Comment**.

- The selected determination will be signed on level 1.



Signature 2



- 1 Click on the symbol  or menu item **Determinations ► Sign ► Signature 2...**

The window **Signature Level 2** opens. If the selected determination can be signed, **Signature possible** is displayed in the field **Info**.

- 2** Enter or select **User**, **Password**, **Reason** and **Comment** and click on **[Sign]**.

The selected determination will be signed on level 2.



Note

Determinations that can be signed at level 2 are **blocked**, i.e. they can neither be reprocessed nor deleted. In order to be able to edit such determinations again the signatures at level 2 must first be deleted.

5.2.4 Export determinations

How to proceed?

Defining export template

- 1 Select program part **Database**.
- 2 Click on menu item **Tools ► Templates ► Export templates....**

The window **Export templates** opens.

- 3** Click on **[New]**.

The window **Export templates – 'New file'** opens.

- #### 4 Define the properties of the new export template.

- 5** Click on **[OK]**.

The dialog window is closed.

- 6** Click on **[Close]**.

The dialog window **Export templates** is closed.

Selecting determinations

- 1** Select program part **Database**.

- The dialog window **Open database** opens.

Export determinations

- The window **Export determinations** opens.

5.2.5 Import determinations

How to proceed?

- The dialog window **Open database** opens.



- 5 Click on the menu item **Determinations ► Import....** or the symbol 

The window **Import determinations** opens.

- 6** Select desired determinations.

- 7** Click on **[Open]**.

The selected determinations are imported into the open database.



Note

Only determinations in the file format ***.tdet** and ***.txt** can be imported.

5.2.6 Deleting determinations

How to proceed?

- 1** Select program part **Database**.

- 2 Click on the symbol or the menu item **File ▶ Open...**

The dialog window **Open database** opens.

- 3** Select desired database or enter name in the field **Database name**.

- 4** Click on **[Open]**.

The selected database opens and its data sets are displayed in the **Determination overview**.

- 5** Select desired determinations.

- 6 Click on the symbol  or the menu item **Determination ► Delete**.

- 7** Confirm deleting.

The selected determinations with all **Determination versions** are deleted.



saved.

5.2.7

How to proceed?

- 1** Select program part **Database**.

- 2 Click on the symbol  or the menu item **File ▶ Open...**

The dialog window **Open database** opens.

- 3** Select desired database or enter name in the field **Database name**.

- 4** Click on **[Open]**.

The selected database opens and its data sets are displayed in the **Determination overview**.

- 5** Select desired determination.

- 6 Click on the symbol or menu item **Determinations ► Show history...**

Only the currently selected determination in the **determination table** as well as all the previous versions of this determination will be shown.

- 7** Select desired determination that is to be made current.

- 8** Click on the symbol or the menu item **Determination ► Make current.**

The determination version selected in the determination table will again be made the current determination version. This creates a new determination, the version number of which is increased by **+1** compared with the last version to have been saved.

5.2.8 Reprocessing determinations

How to proceed?



Note

Determinations that have a signature at level 2 cannot be reprocessed.

- 1 Select program part **Database**.
- 2 Click on the symbol  or the menu item **File ► Open....**
- 3 Select desired database or enter name in the field **Database name**.
The selected database opens and its data sets are displayed in the **Determination overview**.
- 4 Select desired determinations.
- 5 Click on the symbol  or the menu item **Determination ► Reprocess....**
The dialog window **Reprocessing** opens. Displayed is the first of the selected determinations.

Modify variables

- 1 Select the **Variables** tab.
- 2 Select the desired variable in the table.
- 3 Click on **[Modify]**.
The dialog window **Modify variable** opens..
- 4 In the field **Value**, enter a new value for the variable.
- 5 Click on **[OK]**.
- 6 Click on **[Recalculate]**.

 **Note**

If a variable is modified, then with **[Recalculate]** all the selected determinations will be recalculated with the new value. If one variable is not modified then when several determinations are recalculated the original value of the variable will be used (i.e. variables with the same name but different values will not be overwritten until they are deliberately modified).

Each determination that has been modified by reprocessing will be saved as a new version with a version number increased by **+1** and the dialog window **Reprocessing** will be closed. This button is inactive when the recalculation has not yet been triggered and if not all the selected determinations could be reprocessed.

If the modified method is saved under the name of an existing method then all the earlier method versions will be deleted and a new version with the number **1** will be generated.



- 7** In the dialog window **Reprocessing** click on **[OK]**.

Each determination that has been modified by reprocessing will be saved as a new version with a version number increased by **+1** and the dialog window **Reprocessing** will be closed. This button is inactive when the recalculation has not yet been triggered and if not all the selected determinations could be reprocessed.

Modify statistics



Note

The tab **Statistics** will only be shown when the last determination (and only this one) is selected from a set of determinations which, because of the statistics defined in the method, belong together.

- 1 Change to the **Statistics** tab.
- 2 In the field **Result name**, select the result whose **Result value** is to be displayed.
- 3 Select desired determination whose result value(s) should be switched on or off for the statistics.
- 4 If only the selected result of the determination has to be switched on or off for the statistics, click on **[Result on/off]**.

If the result is switched off, an asterisk (*) appears behind the result value, is it switched on again, the asterisk disappears.
- 5 If all results of the selected determination have to be switched on or off for the statistics, click on **[Determination on/off]**.

If the determination is switched off then an asterisk (*) appears behind all result values in the table and the line is shown as inactive (gray); if it is switched on again then the asterisks will disappear.



Note

If the results of a determination are switched off, the statistics for these results will be switched off when this determination is recalculated, i.e. no data for the mean value and standard deviations will be shown. However, the determinations remain statistically linked to each other so that the results can also be switched on again.

6 Click on **[Recalculate]**.

The selected determinations are recalculated. The results of this recalculation are entered automatically in the subwindow **Result view**.

7 In the dialog window **Reprocessing** click on **[OK]**.

Each determination that has been modified by reprocessing will be saved as a new version with a version number increased by **+1** and the dialog window **Reprocessing** will be closed. This button is inactive when the recalculation has not yet been triggered and if not all the selected determinations could be reprocessed.

Edit curve evaluation



Note

The tab **Curve evaluation** is only shown when a single determination is selected that contains curves that can be evaluated.

1 Change to the tab **Curve evaluation**.

2 In the field **Command name**, select the command whose curve is to be displayed.

3 Click on **[Edit]**.

The dialog window **Curve evaluation** opens for manually reprocessing the curve evaluation.

4 Modify curve evaluation manually.

5 Then close the window with **[OK]**.



- 6** Click on **[Recalculate]**.

The selected determinations are recalculated. The results of this recalculation are entered automatically in the subwindow **Result view**.

- 7** In the dialog window **Reprocessing** click on **[OK]**.

Each determination that has been modified by reprocessing will be saved as a new version with a version number increased by **+1** and the subwindow **Reprocessing** will be closed. This button is inactive when the recalculation has not yet been triggered and if not all the selected determinations could have been recalculated.

5.2.9 Printing determination report

How to proceed?

- 1** Select program part **Database**.

- 2 Click on the symbol  or the menu item **File ► Open...**

The dialog window **Open database** opens.

- 3** Select desired database or enter name in the field **Database name**.

- 4** Click on **[Open]**.

The selected database opens and its data sets are displayed in the **Determination overview**. The database name is displayed in the title bar of the program, the number of currently opened databases is displayed in the left upper corner of the database symbol.



Note

A maximum of 4 databases can be opened, but only 2 can be displayed at the same time. Databases that are open at the time the program is ended will be automatically opened the next time the program is started.

- 5** Select desired determinations.

- 6 Click on the menu item **File ► Print ► Report....**

The dialog window **Report output** opens.

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If several reports are produced simultaneously as a PDF file then an index will be automatically appended to the file name.

- ### 5.2.10 Printing determination overview

1 Select program part **Database**.

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- 4** Click on **[Open]**.



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- 5 Select desired determinations.
- 6 Click on menu item **File ► Print ► Determination overview....**
The dialog window **Print determination overview (PDF)** opens.
- 7 Under **Selection**, select desired determinations.
- 8 Under **Orientation**, select the option **Portrait format** or **Landscape format**.
- 9 Click on **[OK]**.
The determination overview is opened as PDF file.

5.3 Databases

5.3.1 Database in general

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Note

Each determination database has to be backed up separately. Afterwards, it is recommended that all backed-up files be copied to an external directory or to a CD/DVD.

5.3.5 Backing up database

How to proceed?

Backing up database manually

- 1 Select program part **Database**.
- 2 Click on the symbol  or menu item **File ► Database manager...**.
The window **Database manager** opens.
- 3 Click on **[Backup]**.
The window **Backup database** opens.
- 4 Select the directory for the backup in the field **Backup directory**.
- 5 Select or enter the name for the **Backup file**. If an existing backup file is selected it will be overwritten.



Note

If the backup directory is on a network drive, the backup date should be added manually to the **Backup name** because the backup date information is not available when the directory is restored.

- 6 Click on **[Start]**.
The manual backup is started and the database is backed up to the selected directory.

Backing up database automatically

- 1 Select program part **Database**.
- 2 Click on the symbol  or menu item **File ► Database manager...**.
The dialog window **Database manager** opens.
- 3 Select desired database.
- 4 Click on **[Properties]**.

5.5.3 Edit import

How to proceed?

- 1 Select program part **Configuration**.
- 2 In the subwindow **Import processes**, click on the menu item **Edit ► New**.
The dialog window **Properties Import process** opens.
- 3 Edit the name of the import process.
- 4 Click on the symbol .
The dialog window **Select directory** opens.
- 5 Select the directory with the PC/LIMS reports to be imported to the database.
- 6 Click on **[Select]**.
The path is entered in the field **Data source**.
- 7 Enter a comment (optional).
- 8 If importing the PC/LIMS reports is to run automatically at the start of tiBase , activate the check box **Start automatically**.
If the checkbox is deactivated, the PC/LIMS reports have to be imported manually.
- 9 Activate the option button **Delete file** if the PC/LIMS reports are to be deleted in the source directory after the import into the tiBase database.
- 10 Activate the option button **Move file** if the PC/LIMS reports are to be moved from the source directory to another directory after the import into the tiBase database.
- 11 Click on the symbol .
The dialog window **Select directory** opens.
- 12 Select the directory (create new), in which the PC/LIMS reports are to be moved to.

The new drive letter must not have been used. Neither by a USB stick which is not connected.

- 9 Confirm with **[OK]**.



Note

If the USB stick is used on another PC the drive letter must be checked.

Define the properties of the import

- 1 Select program part **Configuration**.
- 2 In the subwindow **Import processes**, click on the menu item **Edit ► New**.
The dialog window **Properties Import process** opens.
- 3 Enter the name of the import process.
- 4 Click on the symbol .
The dialog window **Select directory** opens.
- 5 As data source select a path which can access a USB stick
- 6 Click on **[Select]**.
The path is entered in the field **Data source**.
- 7 Select the database in which the PC/LIMS reports are to be saved.
- 8 Enter a comment (optional).
- 9 If importing the PC/LIMS reports is to run automatically at the start of tiBase , activate the check box **Start automatically**.
If the checkbox is deactivated, the PC/LIMS reports have to be imported manually.
- 10 Activate the option button **Delete file** if the PC/LIMS reports are to be deleted in the source directory after the import into the tiBase database.

How to proceed?

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- 8** Close the dialog window with **[OK]**.
- 9** Select desired module symbol on the Module bar and place it on the report template by creating a field with the left mouse button.

The properties window for the corresponding module opens automatically.
- 10** Enter desired settings for the module.
- 11** Click on **[OK]**.

The properties window is closed.
- 12** Repeat steps **7** and **8** for each desired module.
- 13** Click on the symbol  or the menu item **File ► Save as....**

The dialog window **Save report template** opens.
- 14** In the field **Name** enter a name.
- 15** Click on **[Save]**.

The report template is saved under the name entered.

5.6.2 Edit report template

How to proceed?

- 1 Select program part **Database**.
- 2 Click on the symbol  or on the menu item **Tools ► Report templates ► Open....**
The program window **Open report template** opens.
- 3 Open desired report template.
- 4 Click on **[Open]**.
The program window with the selected report template opens.
- 5 Click on the menu item **File ► Page setup....**
The dialog window **Page setup** opens.

- 6** Define desired settings for the report format.
- 7** Close the dialog window with **[OK]**.
- 8** In the program window **Report template**, click on the menu item **Tools ► Options....**
The dialog window **Options for report templates** opens.
- 9** Define desired settings for the report template.
- 10** Close the window with **[OK]**.

Editing existing modules

- 1** Select the symbol  on the module bar and double-click on the desired module in the report template.
The properties window of the selected module opens automatically.
- 2** Enter desired settings for the module.
- 3** Close the properties window with **[OK]**.
- 4** Repeat steps **1** and **2** for each desired module.

Creating new modules

- 1** Select desired module symbol on the Module bar and place it on the report template by creating a field with the left mouse button.
The properties window for the corresponding module opens automatically.
- 2** Define desired settings for the module.
- 3** Close the properties window with **[OK]**.
- 4** Repeat steps **1** and **2** for each desired new module.
- 5** Click on the symbol  or the menu item **File ► Save**.

The report template is saved.

5.6.3 Printing determination report

How to proceed?

- 1 Select program part **Database**.
- 2 Click on the symbol  or the menu item **File ► Open....**
The dialog window **Open database** opens.
- 3 Select desired database or enter name in the field **Database name**.
- 4 Click on **[Open]**.

The selected database opens and its data sets are displayed in the **Determination overview**. The database name is displayed in the title bar of the program, the number of currently opened databases is displayed in the left upper corner of the database symbol.



Note

A maximum of 4 databases can be opened, but only 2 can be displayed at the same time. Databases that are open at the time the program is ended will be automatically opened the next time the program is started.

- 5 Select desired determinations.
- 6 Click on the menu item **File ► Print ► Report....**
The dialog window **Report output** opens.
- 7 Under **Selection**, select desired determinations.
- 8 Under **Report type**, select the option **Original report** or **Report template**.
- 9 Under **Output target**, enable the check box **Printer** and/or select **PDF file**.



- The reports of the selected determination are put out.

How to proceed?

- The dialog window **Open database** opens.

- The selected database opens and its data sets are displayed in the **Determination overview**. The database name is displayed in the title bar of the program, the number of currently opened databases is displayed in the left upper corner of the database symbol.



- The dialog window **Print determination overview (PDF)** opens.



- 8** Under **Orientation**, select the option **Portrait format** or **Landscape format**.

- 9** Click on **[OK]**.

The determination overview is opened as PDF file.

5.7 No Help available



Note

There is unfortunately no Help available for this topic.

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