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Project Engineering Using Templates and Provisioning



Accelerated Engineering Using Templates and Provisioning

Learn how the latest provisioning tools make commissioning JACE and EDGE controllers a breeze in a deep dive demonstration.







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Time Flies...

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Overview - Templates

- A deployable package of Niagara objects which might include station components, images and px files.
- Contained in a file that has an *.ntpl (Niagara Template) extension.
- Stored in either the stationTemplates or templates directories under the Niagara User Home.
- Designed to eliminate unnecessary repetition when deploying multiple instances of components with similar functionality.
- Compared to using palettes or partial bog files, provides versioning and better portability.





Template Planning

- Identify external inputs such as schedules, global set points or data values.
- Identify outputs such as global data values.
- Identify **relations** that need to be created upon deployment.
- Identify which tag dictionaries are required.
- Ideally before creating a template all tags and relations should be assigned, control logic tested and graphics designed.





Template Types

Station

- The entire station is templated.
- During commissioning of a new station, you can choose the template to apply

Device

• A device template, during commissioning of a new device you can apply a template.

Component

• Any component, that you can then drag-and-drop to apply

Application

• Similar to station templates, but application templates can be installed to a running station and upgraded.





Template Creation

- Right click a component and select Make Template
- Launches the Template View used to configure the template

Tabs

- Template Info
- Component
- Configuration
- Relations
- Template I/O
- Graphics
- Subtemplates





Template Info

- Filename a unique name for the ntpl file.
- Title preferred name for the template displayed in the Workbench.
- Vendor name of the organization or manufacturer.
- Version a unique number for versioning control.
- Description a short description of the template usage or purpose.





Template: VTR835xAxxxx-56 Vendor: Tridium Version: 1.2

Template In	fo \land Component	Configuration	➢ Relations	┣ Template I/O	Graphics	🗐 Subtempla
Filename	VTR835xAxxxx-56					
Title	VTR835xAxxxx-56					
Vendor	Tridium					
Version	1.2					
State	Ready 🚽					
Description	Thermostat					
	Viconics The	rmostat Device	Tempalte			
Info						
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Template Info



Component Tab

- Component tree displayed which provides access to property sheet, wire sheet and slot sheet of the components.
- Allows making changes such as adding, editing or deleting properties.
- Allows creating links or relations as needed.





Component Tab

Template Info 🔺 Component 📄 Configur	ation ≽ Relations	┣ Template I/O	Graphics	Subtemplates
VTR835xAxxxx-56		Property Sł	neet	
Alarm Source Info		VTR835xAx	xxxx-56 (Bacn	et Device)
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Retry Trigger		Alarm	Source Info	Alarm Source Info
Trend Logs				Network Number: 0
🔻 🕀 Config		🗎 Addre	SS	MAC Address: null
 Device Object 				MAC Address Style: Unknown
Device Address Binding		Points		Bacnet Point Device Ext
activeCovSubscriptions		Virtual	l	Bacnet Virtual Gateway
templateConfig		🕨 🚺 Alarm	S	Bacnet Alarm Device Ext
		Sched	ules	Bacnet Schedule Device Ext
		Trend	Logs	Bacnet History Device Ext
		Config	5	device:83056 config
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		Cov Su	ubscriptions	0
		🗎 Chara	cter Set	Iso10646_UTF8
		HMI Co	olor_out	0 {ok}
		HMI Co	olor_in101	- {null}
		HMI Co	olor_in10	- {null}
		🕨 🗎 templ	ateConfig	Template Config





Configuration Tab

- Allows exposing specific properties which the user is prompted to edit when deploying the template.
- Assign default values to configuration properties.





Configuration Tab

Template Inf	fo \land Component	Configuration	>>> Relations	┣ Template I/O	Graphics	Subtemplates		
🕀 Add				I Rename	🗙 Remove	🖋 Set Value		
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En En	abled			Display Langua	ge_fallback	/points/Display\$20Language/fallback	- {null}	
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	Room Humidity							
	Room Temperature							
	CO2 Level							
	HMI Color							
	Display Language							
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Relations Tab

- Allows defining a relation to be created during template deployment
- Relate Hints (NEQL) helps filter list of entities in the station.
- Relation Ids are displayed from modules with tag dictionaries and from tag dictionaries under the Niagara User Home.
- Relation can be inbound or outbound.





Relations Tab

Template: VTR835	xAxxxx-56 Vend	or: Tridium Versio	n: 1.2			
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n:parent						
n:parentDevice						
n:parentNetwork						
n:tagGroup						
hs:ahuRef						
hs:chilledWaterPla	ntRef					
hs:device1Ref						
hs:device2Ref						
hs:elecMeterLoad						
hs:elecMeterRef						
hs:elecPanelOf						
hs:equipRef						
hs:gasMeterLoad						
hs:hotWaterPlantR	ef					
hs:networkRef						
hs:siteRef						
hs:steamMeterLoad	ł					
hs:steamPlantRef						





Template IO tab

- Allows for you to create hints and searches to help the user connect internal points within the template to external points at deployment
- Link any IO points that reference any External points
- Tags can help!





Template IO tab

Template: VTR835xAxxxx-56 Vendor: Tridium Version: 1.2

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Graphics

• Allows viewing and editing the Px view if desired.







Subtemplates Tab

- Shows any contained subtemplates.
- Initially add subtemplates using the wiresheet view on the component tab of the parent template.
- Tab provides provisioning tools to upgrade or detach subtemplates.





Application Template: Edge 72 Vendor: Tridium Version: 1.2 Template Info Component Graphics Subtemplates AX Template Manager Path TemplateName Vendor Version Inputs Outputs Relations DefaultPasswords Avail. Version Modified Image: Path TemplateName Vendor Version Inputs Outputs Relations DefaultPasswords Avail. Version Modified Image: Path TemplateName Vendor Version Inputs Outputs Relations DefaultPasswords Avail. Version Modified Image: Path TemplateName Vendor Version Inputs Outputs Relations DefaultPasswords Avail. Version Modified Image: Path TemplateName Vendor Version Inputs Outputs Relations DefaultPasswords Avail. Version Modified Image: Path TemplateName Vendor Version Inputs O Tridium Updated

Subtemplates Tab





Template Files

- Template side bar displays templates from modules and Niagara
- User Home sub folder.
- Allows access to the Template View.
- Template View allows viewing current template configuration and making changes to save an updated template version.
- Template file contains all required Px files, images and component bog file.

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Template Files







Template Tools







Template Service

- Provides management support for templates that are deployed in the station.
- Required in a station to use templates.
- Displays status of data links (Inputs and Outputs) and relations.
- Used to detach and upgrade deployed templates.
- Use to bulk deploy templates using Excel files.





Template Service

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Deploy Station Template

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NewSupervisorStationLinux.ntpl	Tridium	1.8		
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Deploy Device/ Component Template

 Drag from Template Pane







Bulk Deploy From Excel







Bulk Deploy From Excel

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Bulk Deploy From Excel

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Application Templates

- Mechanism to deploy and entire station application to a running station, used primarily with Edge devices.
- Similar to station templates, but application templates can be installed to a running station and upgraded.
- Use an NAPL file extension to differentiate from station and device templates.
- Stored in applicationTemplates sub folder under Niagara user home.
- Right click root Config node in station and select Templates menu item allows making an application template from current station or installing an application template to the Edge device.





Application Templates

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192.168.113.63	
Platform	
 Station (Edge10_4EF4_CDA2_1EE6) 	
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Provisioning

Beyond Templating



Overview - Provisioning

- Niagara Provisioning is a **service** in the Supervisor station used to **automate specific Workbench tasks**.
- Tasks can be **triggered manually** or **scheduled** for later execution.
- Station components located in the **provisioningNiagara** palette.





Setup - Batch Job Service

- Requires the **Batch Job Service** to be in the services container of the Supervisor station.
- The Job Queue Max Threads defaults to 1 thread but can be adjusted to allow multiple jobs to run concurrently.
- The Alarm Class property should be set to a specific alarm class to facilitate routing provisioning related alarms.









Setup – ProvisioningNwExt

- ProvisioningNwExt must be added to the Niagara Network in the Supervisor station.
- Results in additional extensions being automatically added to Niagara station device.
- Use the **Provisioning Manager**, alternate view on the Niagara Network, to configure the platform credentials to be used by the station to connect to the platform of each JACE.

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Provisioning Device Extensions

- Platform Connection properties used to configure credentials for the Supervisor to make automated platform connections to the remote hosts.
- Station Proxy provides access to the application director for the remote host via the Supervisor station.
- **Software** provides a Software Manager view of the remote host via the Supervisor station.
- **Backup** displays information regarding the last backup of the remote host.





Provisioning Device Extensions

- Licenses provides basic information about the remote hosts's licenses and certificates such as the host ID, what licenses and certificates are installed and their expiration.
- **Templates** provides functionality to deploy templates to remote station.
- Device Bootstrap enables provisioning remote devices with default platform credentials and passphrase.





Provisioning Device Extensions

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		Fault Cause	
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		Host Model Version	
		Version	4.12.0.98
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ProvisioningNwExt

- Software manages modules installed on the Supervisor and remote hosts.
- Licenses displays license summary information for all remote hosts.
- Poll Scheduler configures polling of the station proxy extensions.





Niagara Network Job Builder

- Primary view on the ProvisioningNwExt component.
- May generate an alarm when a step fails or when a job completes successfully.
- Select from various job steps and select the desired hosts to run the job against.
- Niagara Network Job List is a secondary view on the ProvisioningNwExt component which displays a list of completed jobs.





Jobs

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Туре	Description		
👗 Add Station User	Add a new user to the station.		
Backup Stations	Back up each station in the job		
Configure Niagara IdP and SAML Scheme	Configure the remote SAML Authentication Schemes and local SAML IdP Service		
Copy Local File	Copy a local file to each station in the job		
Copy Supervisor File	Copy a file from the supervisor's filesystem to each station in the job		
Deploy Template	Deploy a template file to each station in the job		
🕺 Enable Bootstrap Mode	Enable bootstrap mode for the stations.		
Export Application Template Configuration	Exports an application template configuration as an xlsx file		
🖶 Export Certificate Signing Request	Export a CSR from each device for external signing		
🔓 Generate Certificate	Generate and install a certificate on each station		
🖡 Import Signed Certificate	Import a signed certificate for each device		
Install Application Template	Install an application template file to each station in the job		
🖡 Install Certificate	Install a certificate to the user trust store of each station		
🛈 Install Clean Distribution	Install clean distribution file to each system platform in the job		
Install Software	Install software to the stations in the job		
🚱 Reboot	Reboot each station in the job		
😹 Remove Platform User	Remove a user from the platform.		
🗙 Remove Property	Remove a dynamic property		
😹 Remove Station User	Remove a user from the station.		
I Rename Device Station	This step will change the name of the station to match the name that it was given in the Niagara network.		
🖵 Run Robot	Run a robot on each station		
Security Job Steps	Add all security related job steps		
Set Certificate Alias	Set the certificate alias for platform, FoxService, and WebService		
Set Platform Credentials	Create a new platform account and remove default platform account		
Set Platform User Password	Change password for an existing platform user		
💉 Set Property	Set or add a property		
📩 Set Station Connection Credentials	Set the station credentials used to connect to the remote station.		
3 Set Station User Password	Set the password of the current station user		
🔍 Set System Passphrase	Set System Passphrase		
Set TLS Level	Set the minimum TLS level for platform, FoxService, and WebService		
Set Time	Set the time for each device		
➡ Setup Reciprocal Connection	Setup the Niagara Network connection from remote station to supervisor station		
💭 Sign Certificate	Sign a certificate on each station		





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Configure Niagara IdP and SAML	Configure the remote SAML Authentication
Scheme	Schemes and local SAML IdP Service
Copy Local File	Copy a local file to each station in the job
Copy Supervisor File	Copy a file from the supervisor's filesystem to each station in the job
Deploy Template	Deploy a template file to each station in the job
Enable Bootstrap Mode	Enable bootstrap mode for the stations.
Export Application Template Configuration	Exports an application template configuration as an xlsx file
Export Certificate Signing Request	Export a CSR from each device for external signing
Generate Certificate	Generate and install a certificate on each station
Import Signed Certificate	Import a signed certificate for each device
Install Application Template	Install an application template file to each station in the job
Install Certificate	Install a certificate to the user trust store of each station
Install Clean Distribution	Install clean distribution file to each system platform in the job
Install Software	Install software to the stations in the job
Reboot	Reboot each station in the job
Remove Platform User	Remove a user from the platform.
Remove Property	Remove a dynamic property
Remove Station User	Remove a user from the station.
Rename Device Station	This step will change the name of the station to match the name that it was given in the Niagara network.

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	WebService
Set Platform Credentials	Create a new platform account and remove default
	platform account
Set Platform User Password	Change password for an existing platform user
Set Property	Set or add a property
Set Station Connection Credentials	Set the station credentials used to connect to the
	remote station.
Set Station User Password	Set the password of the current station user
Set System Passphrase	Set System Passphrase
Set TLS Level	Set the minimum TLS level for platform, FoxService,
	and WebService
Set Time	Set the time for each device
Setup Reciprocal Connection	Setup the Niagara Network connection from remote
	station to supervisor station
Sign Certificate	Sign a certificate on each station
Update Connections Using Niagara Network	Update station connections using Niagara Network
Discovery	discovery.
Update Connections Using Provisioning Station's	Update station connections using the provisioning
DHCP Server	station's DHCP server leases.
Update Licenses	Update all of the station(s), importing licenses from the
	licensing server
Update Template or Application Configuration	Update configuration of deployed templates or
La grada Application Template	Installed applications on each station in the job
	in the job
Upgrade Out-of-date Software	Upgrade out-of-date software for each station in the job
Upgrade Template	Upgrade deployed template instances on each station in the job





🖊 Station Summary 👻

Q Quick Search

My Host : VA51LT470BVT2.global.ds.honeywell.com (NS2022SUP) : Station (NS2022SUP)

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C:\Users\H188841\Niagara4.12\tridium>





System Upgrade Using Provisioning

Niagara Provisioning may be used to upgrade an enterprise system of JACEs.

- Upgrade the Supervisor to the new build.
- Run a job to **update licenses on all hosts** if needed.
- Verify all host licenses updated successfully.
- Run a job to Upgrade Out-Of-Date Software on all hosts.
- Verify all hosts upgraded successfully.





System Upgrade Using Provisioning







Security Job Steps

Generate an alarm when any step fails or is canceled			
Generate an alarm when job completes successfully			
Provisioning steps to run	🌁 New Job Step		×
3 Backup Stations	Remove Platform User	Remove a user from the platform.	-
Set Platform Credentials Job Step (Username=integrator, FIPS=false)	🗙 Remove Property	Remove a dynamic property	
Set Station User Password Job Step (Username=admin)	Remove Station User	Remove a user from the station.	
Set Platform User Password, Job Step (Username-kSardinia, EIPS-false)	I Rename Device Station	This step will change the name of the station to match the name that it was given in the Niagara network.	
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Set System Passphrase Job Step	Security Job Steps	Add all security related job steps	1
	Set Certificate Alias	Set the certificate alias for platform, FoxService, and WebService	
\odot \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \bigcirc	Set Platform Credentials	Create a new platform account and remove default platform account	
	Set Platform User Password	Change password for an existing platform user	
Stations to include in the job	Set Property	Set or add a property	
Bldg1F1	💼 Set Station Connection Credentials	Set the station credentials used to connect to the remote station.	
Bldg1F2	Set Station User Password	Set the password of the current station user	
♀ Bldg1E3	Set System Passphrase	Set System Passphrase	
	Set TLS Level	Set the minimum TLS level for platform, FoxService, and WebService	
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Disaster Recovery Backups

- Many customer IT groups require disaster recovery backup plans to be formalized.
- Recovery plans typically apply to servers and specific files on client PCs, but often don't include building automation controllers.
- Should coordinate with customer to determine required frequency of backups and what time of day is considered offpeak for network traffic.
- Coordinate with IT group to backup the Supervisor station and potentially move JACE backups off disk.





Disaster Recovery Backup Job

- Create one or more Niagara Network Job Prototypes with a job step to backup a select group of stations.
- Use multiple jobs to backup stations during off-peak network usage times.
- Add a Trigger Schedule and link to the Submit Job action.
- Configure the **Retention Policy** on the Job Prototype to automatically dispose of old jobs.





Disaster Recovery Backup Job

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Template Jobs

- Use Niagara Network Job Builder view to **Copy Templates** from Workbench to the Supervisor's file space.
- When initially deploying, must copy both the template ntpl file and Excel spreadsheet to the Supervisor.
- When upgrading, only the template ntpl file is required.





Copy Templates

Generate an alarm when any step fails or is canceled

Generate an alarm when job completes successfully

Provisioning steps to run

	🚰 Copy Templates			×
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Template Jobs

Generate an alarm when any step fails or is canceled
Generate an alarm when job completes successfully
Provisioning steps to run
Deploy Template Step: Excel File Ord Path = "file:^templateCache/AHU_01_Floor3.xlsx"
Upgrade Template Step for Vendor:Title = "file:^templateCache/AHU_01.ntpl"
Update Template or Application Configuration Step with "file:^templateCache/AHU_01_Floor4.xlsx"
Install Application Template Step: Excel File Ord Path = "file:^templateCache/Edge73.xlsx"
Upgrade Application Template: File = "file:^templateCache/b100Ahu_1.napl"
Export Application Template Config Job Step

Stations to include in the job—







Set Up SAML SSO

Configure Niagara IdP and SAML Scheme

Enter the desired aliases for the remote IdP and SAML Server certificates, and optionally generate new SAML Server certificates

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Login Button Text Format	Log in with %displayName%	(required)
IdP Certificate Alias	Use SAMLIdPService Certificate Alias	
SAML Signing Certificate Alias	samlSigningCert_niagaraIdP	(required)
SAML Encryption Certificate Alias	samlEncryptionCert_niagaraIdP	(required)
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Key Usage	🔲 Data encipherment 🔲 Key agreement 📃 Certificate	e signing
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OK Cancel	1	



Certificate Management Jobs

Generate an alarm when any step fails or is canceled				
Generate an alarm when job completes successfully				
Provisioning steps to run				
Generate Certificate Job Step (Alias="alias", Common Name=" <hostname>", Organization="Tridium")</hostname>				
Export CSR Job Step (File Naming Identifier="Hostname", Certificate Alias="alias")				
Sign Certificate Job Step (Server Certificate Alias="alias")				
🔜 Import Signed Certificate Job Step (File Naming Identifier="Hostname", Certificate Alias="alias")				
🔜 Install certificate "niagara 4 root certificate", Policy="Install Unique"				
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Set Properties

Generate an alarm when any step fails or is canceled

Generate an alarm when job completes successfully

-Provisioning steps to run-

Set Property Job Step on: Target "ORD = station: slot:/Services/WebService/httpsOnly", Property Name = "httpsOnly", Value = "true", Add If Missing = 1		
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Provisioning Step Evolution

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Backup Stations Copy Local File Copy Supervisor File Install Certificate Install Software Reboot Run Robot Update licenses Upgrade out of date software

4.6

Deploy Template Generate Certificate Import Signed Certificate Set Certificate Alias Set Platform Credentials Set System Passphrase Set TLS Level Setup Reciprocal Connection Sign Certificate Upgrade Template

4.7

Enable Bootstrap Mode Update Connections Using Niagara Network Discovery Update Connections Using Provisioning Station's DHCP Server Export Certificate Signing Request Install Application Template Rename Device Station Set Station User Password Set Time

4.8

Add Station User Remove Station User Set Property Set Station Connection Credentials





Provisioning Step Evolution

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Update Template or Application Configuration Upgrade Application Template Configure Niagara IdP and SAML Scheme

4.10

Export Application Template Configuration 4.12

Remove Platform User Remove Property Set Platform User Password





Edge 10 and Niagara Provisioning

- Bootstrap Mode enables provisioning station to connect to Edge controllers out of the box without having to change default passphrase or platform/station credentials while using a default self-signed certificate.
- Update Connections updates IP connection for Edge controllers
 - Utilize Niagara network discovery (broadcast UDP)
 - Utilize DHCP server lease information (JACE-8 secondary network port)
- Install Application Template deploys application templates to Edge controllers utilizing Excel spread sheet to specify unique configuration properties.
- Standard steps for updating licenses, upgrading/installing software and managing PKI certificates.



Summary - Provisioning

- The Niagara Provisioning feature is included with every Supervisor license.
- Every Supervisor should have provisioning setup.
- Should at least setup backup jobs to maintain disaster recovery backups of all JACEs.
- There are many jobs which can be used to automate performing repetitive tasks such as deploying templates, managing TLS certificates and configuring platform and station security.



