

Source Code and Automation for Acumatica Developers

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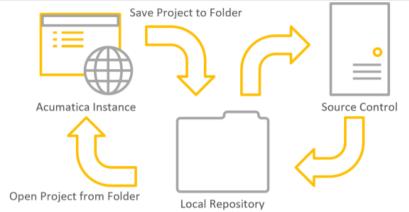
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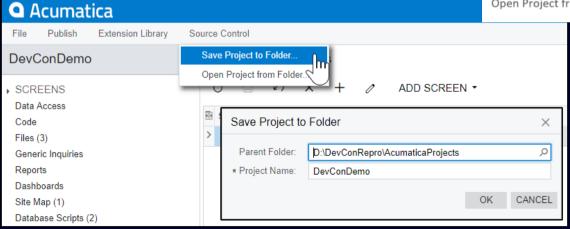
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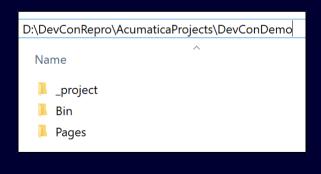


Setup source control with an Acumatica instance

- Not a direct link to any specific source control tool
- Read and write to a local folder.
- Use a local folder subscribed to source control



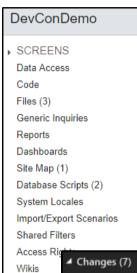






What to include in source control

- Acumatica customization project
 - Screens, DACs, Files, Generic Inquiries, Reports, Pages, etc.
 - Ignore project/solution DLLs
- Visual studio solution/projects
 - Include Acumatica references: PX.Common.dll, PX.Data.dll, PX.Objects.dll, etc.
- Tracking Acumatica source code changes in your source code?
 - \App_Data\CodeRepository
 - See what is changing and see when changes were made that might impact your solution.

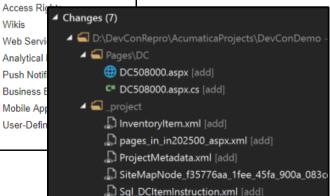


Example Source Control Folder:

- AcumaticaProjects
- Config
- PX.Objects.DevConDemo
- · Site

Extras

- SQL
- Portal
- LastSupportedVersion





Applying changes between source control and Acumatica

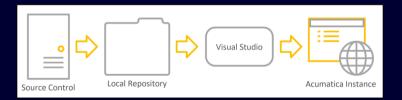
Changes from Acumatica:

- 1. Build visual studio solution
- 2. Detect modified files
- 3. Reload from database (sitemap, tables, GI, etc.)
- 4. Confirm project will publish/pass validation
- 5. Save project to folder
- 6. Check in changes to source control



Changes to Acumatica:

- 1. Get latest changes from source control
- 2. Build visual studio solution
- 3. Open project from folder
- 4. Publish





Creating a customization package with command tool

MSBuild.exe – Building a visual studio project/solution

```
1  $msbuild = "C:\Windows\Microsoft.NET\Framework\v4.0.30319\msbuild.exe"
2
3  $buildArgs = @("D:\DevConRepro\DevConDemo.sln",
4  "/property:Configuration=Release",
5  "/target:Rebuild")
6
7  & $msbuild $buildArgs
```

PX.CommandLine.exe – Package/zip Acumatica customization project

```
$pxCommand = "D:\DevConRepro\Site\Bin\PX.CommandLine.exe"

$pxWebsite = "D:\DevConRepro\Site"

$pxIn = "D:\DevConRepro\AcumaticaProjects\DevConDemo"

$pxOut = "D:\DevConRepro\AcumaticaProjects\Install\DevConDemo.zip"

$pxDesc = "DevConRepro - 2019.06.19"

Invoke-Expression "$pxCommand /method `"BuildProject`" /website `"$pxWebsite`" /in `"$pxIn`" /out `"$pxOut`" /level `"0`" /description `"$pxDesc`""
```

- Post Build Event
 - Copy Pages, dll
 - Call PX.CommandLine.exe



Automating the import/publish of a customization project

- Import and publish via web services
- Create a command line tool

- http://localhost/DevConDemo/api/servicegate.asmx
- Limitations:
 - Multi Company, Customization Plugin, Error reporting

```
class Program
2
                                            D:\DevConRepro\AcumaticaProjects\Install\DevConDemo.zip
        const int ArgsAcuPkgZip = 0; //
        const int ArgsAcuProject = 1; //
                                            DevConDemo
4
        const int ArgsUrl = 2;
                                            http://localhost/DevConDemo
6
        const int ArgsLogin = 3;
                                            admin
        const int ArgsPassword = 4;
                                            admin
8
        static void Main(string[] args)
9
10
11
            var svc = new ServiceGate.ServiceGate();
            svc.Url = $"{args[ArgsUrl]}/api/servicegate.asmx";
12
13
            svc.CookieContainer = new System.Net.CookieContainer();
            svc.Login(args[ArgsLogin], args[ArgsPassword]);
14
15
            svc.UploadPackage(args[ArgsAcuProject], File.ReadAllBytes(args[ArgsAcuPkgZip]), true);
            svc.PublishPackages(new[] { args[ArgsAcuProject] }, false);
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```



Automating an upgrade of an Acumatica instance

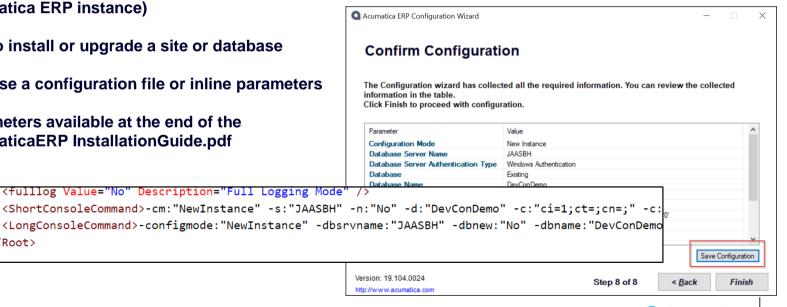
- AC exe is the command line tool for the Acumtica **ERP Configuration Wizard**
- Found in the installation Data folder (not in an **Acumatica ERP instance)**
- Use to install or upgrade a site or database
- Can use a configuration file or inline parameters
- Parameters available at the end of the AcumaticaERP InstallationGuide.pdf

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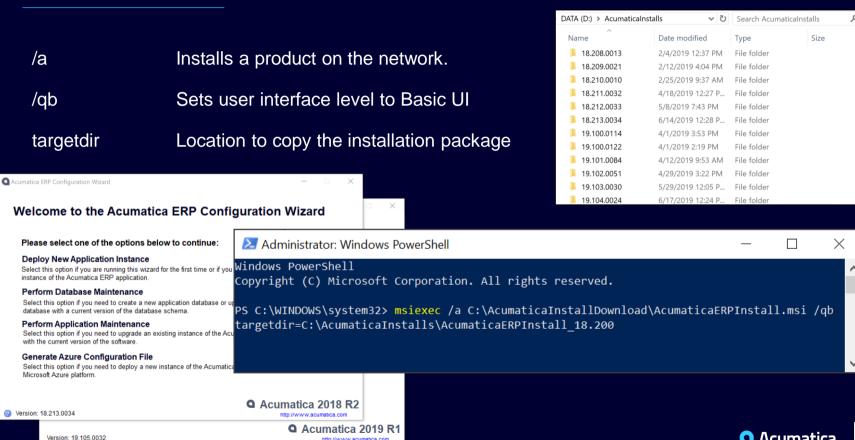
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 Use the Configuration Wizard to create a configuration file and command line example



Working with multiple versions of Acumatica at the same time



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Recap

- Save to and Open from project folder
- Include customization project, visual studio solution
- MSBuild.exe → Build Visual Studio Solution
- PX.CommandLine.exe → Create Package/Zip
- Post Build Events → Automate Commands During VS Build
- http://localhost/<instance>/api/servicegate.asmx → Import and/or Publish
- AC.exe → Install/Upgrade Acumatica Instance/Database
- msiexec.exe → Extrace Acumatica Install for Multiple Versions at Once

Examples:

- https://github.com/bhennelly/AcumaticaSourceControlDemo
- PublishCustomizations.exe source available soon on github
- Writing a guest blog post covering this session
 - Include more detail/examples? Other related topics?





Thank You

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