Adaptive Media

Envision3D Administrator Training





Training Agenda

Technology Overview

- Envision3D Benefits
- Product Components
- Installing the Client Application
- Exploring Product Features

Break

Installing Envision3D Software

- Installing the Envision3D Product Suite
- Configuring through MediaManager Administrator
- Converting a Basic Model
- Reviewing Envision3D Files

Lunch



Training Agenda

Adding Value

- Optimizer Options
- Creating Starting Viewpoints and Paths
- Creating Basic View Hierarchies
- Tuning the Attribute Database
- Incremental Updates

Break

Application Specific Guidelines

- Importing Models Directly
- Importing Translated Files



Course Objectives

You will be able to:

- Assume Responsibilities of the Envision3D Administrator
- Install and Configure Envision3D
- Convert Source Models
- Add Value to Envision3D Models
- Use Application-Specific Exporting Tools



Lesson 1: Technology Overview

- Envision3D Benefits
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Envision3D At Work

- Old technology: download and view
- Envision3D technology: dynamically deliver only those portions of the model that are relevant to your current viewpoint
 - Immediate access to model (no download wait)
 - Faster navigation
 - Wider access to models by more users (LAN, WAN)
 - No need to have CAD software installed (uses standard browsers)
 - Uses standard PC workstations



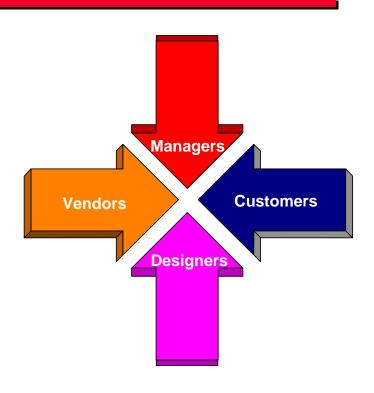
Key Benefits

- Shortens design review cycles
- Promotes early inputs from all reviewers
- Allows product engineering data to be used throughout the enterprise
- Shares design and project information across sites
- Saves travel time, meeting time and associated costs



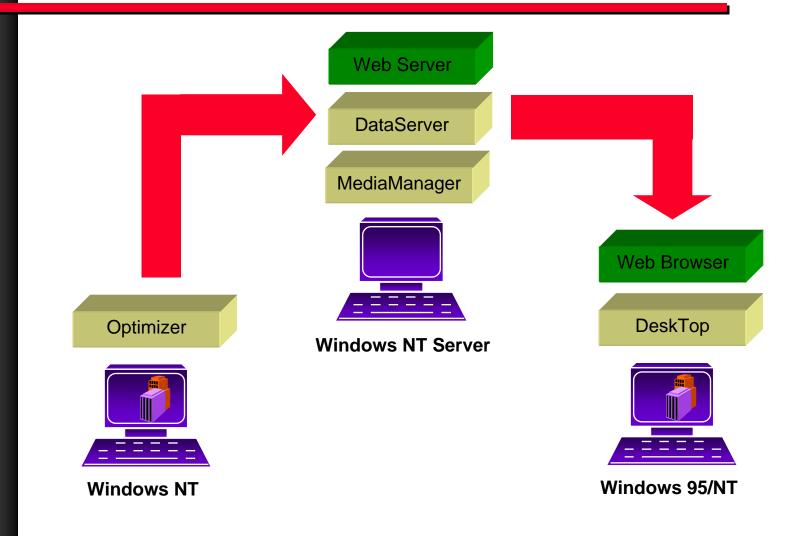
The Collaborative Benefit

Envision3D enables the distribution of highly complex 3D model designs across the enterprise resulting in a more collaborative and efficient working environment critical to the design process



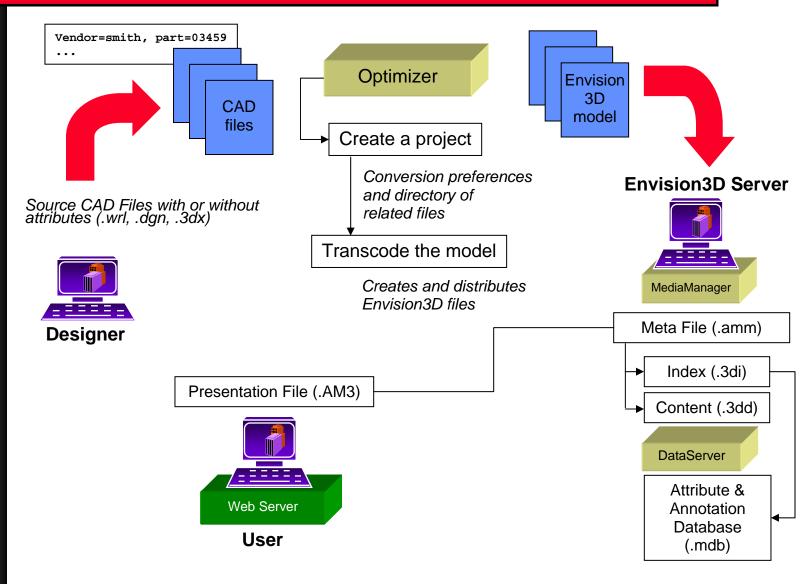


Envision3D Components





Envision3D: Creating

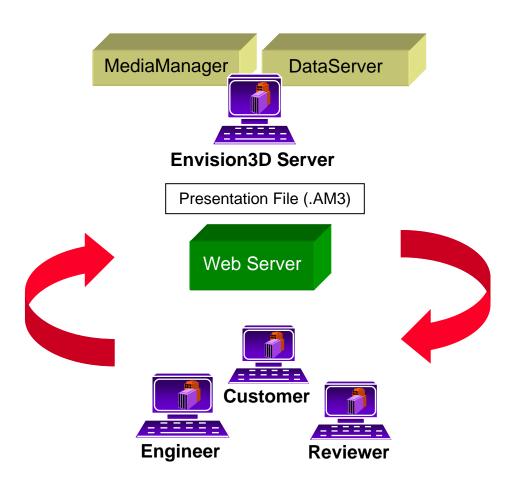




Envision3D: Administrator Training

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Envision3D: Serving





Installing the Client Application

- Installation CD includes:
 - Envision3D Desktop
 - Allows users to work with models that have been converted to the Envision3D format
 - Envision3D Optimizer
 - Allows the Administrator to convert external models to Envision3D models and to add value to models for users
 - Envision3D Exporters
 - Provides special filtering for specific file types to capture additional value for use in Envision3D models
 - Envision3D MediaManager and MediaManager Administrator
 - Server level applications to manage Envision3D models
 - Envision3D DataServer
 - Server level database (access) to hold attribute and annotation information



Envision3D DeskTop

Client Program: Viewing and Collaborating

Purpose

- View 3D models streamed from MediaManager
- Collaborate with other users using views, paths, annotations

Software Components

- Netscape plug-in
- ActiveX control

- Windows 95/NT 4.0
- Pentium 133MHz
- 32MB RAM
- Web browser (Netscape or IE)
- OpenGL accelerated graphics board (recommended)





Windows 95/NT



Key Product Features

- Moving Around the Model
 - Navigation Options
 - Viewpoints
 - Paths
- Working with Objects
 - Isolate
 - Examine
 - Fit
 - Attributes
 - View Hierarchies
- Working with Others
 - Annotations
 - Shared Vision



Navigating the Model

- Navigation icons
 - Backward and Forward
 - Up and Down
 - Full Rotation
- Navigating with the mouse
- A few other choices...
 - Navigating with auxiliary views
 - Top View
 - Front View
 - Navigating with pre-defined viewpoints
 - Navigating with pre-defined paths



Navigating the Model

- Click on icons to move in direction of arrows
- Change speed of movement and rotation on slider bars

Movement Toolbar



speed of movement

pan left, right, up and down

move forward and back

Rotation Toolbar



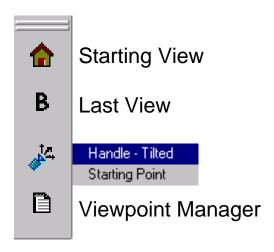
straighten the camera view speed of rotation

turn left, pitch up, pitch down, turn right roll left, roll right



Viewpoints

- Viewpoints allow you to preset particular points of view
 - Accessible from a menu
 - Very helpful for users
- Set "Home" for all users
- UI tracks individual "Last View"

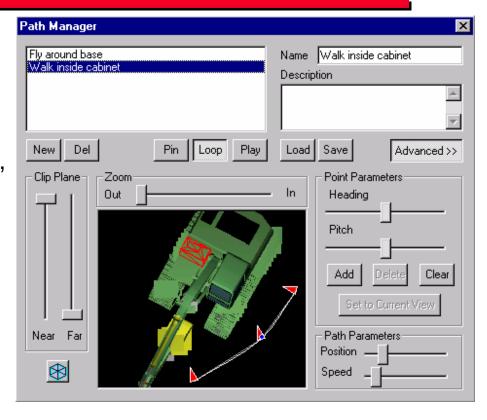






Paths

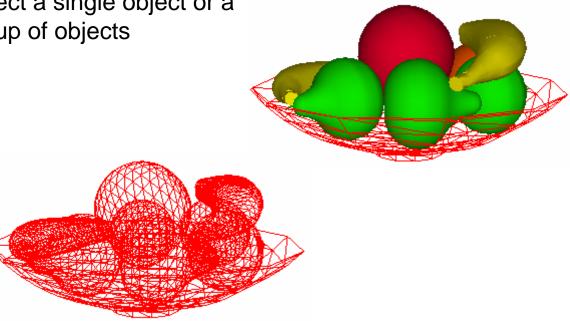
- Paths allow you to create walk-throughs or fly-throughs of your model
- Settings control speed, heading and pitch
- You can set the path to perform a continuous loop or to only play once





Selecting Objects

Select a single object or a group of objects





Isolate

- Isolate lets you focus specifically on one object in the view
 - Zoom
 - Rotate
 - Discover hidden information behind the current view

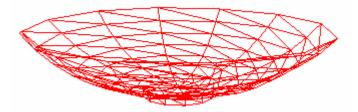


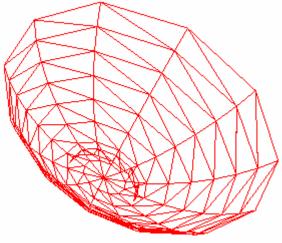




Examine

- Similar to isolate, but changes navigation controls to relate only to the object
- Allows you to rotate the object and move without interference from any other parts of the model

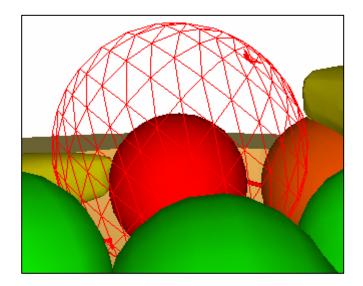






Fit

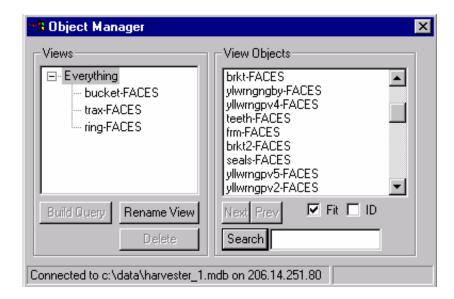
- To reposition your view automatically, click the Fit button
 - Fit works with multiple objects
 - Brings your object to the center of the view
 - Other selections remain on for the fit





Working with Objects

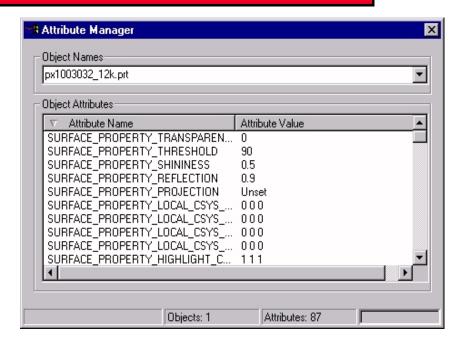
- The Object Manager presents information about model objects
 - Gathered during conversion if present in original model
 - Added after conversion for specific features





Attributes

- You can view attributes about a particular object
- You can add attributes to describe the object or provide information about the object
 - Vendor
 - Cost
 - Specifications
 - URL
- You can create and edit attributes with a special support tool called DBEDIT





View Hierarchies

- You can establish "super views" for aggregated objects
 - Kitchen
 - Sink Area
 - Stove Area
 - Dining Area
 - Cabinets
 - Hutch
 - Pantry
 - Dining Room Furniture
 - Table
 - Chairs



Working with Others

- Add notes or make comments directly on the model
- The annotation toolbar provides several options for customizing your annotations







Annotations

- Annotations allow you to make notes about objects or models
 - Ask questions
 - Provide answers
 - Track updates
 - Set actions





Collaboration: A Shared Vision

New to Version 4 - Update once Jayne's stuff is available.



Technology Review

- How Parts Work Together
- Components in the Envision3D Product
- Workflow
- Key Features



Technology Overview: Lab Exercise

- Install the Envision3D Desktop
- Open a Practice Model
- Explore Key DeskTop Features
- Have fun -- it's the best way to learn!



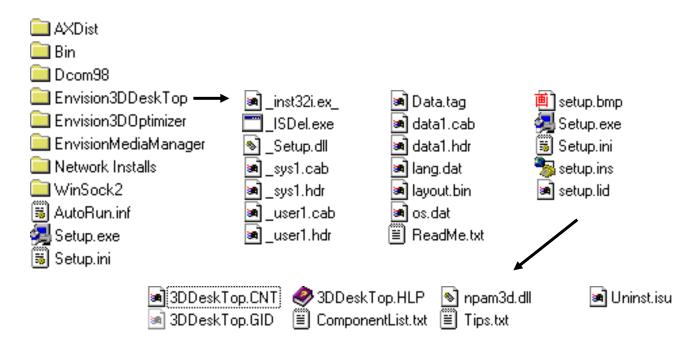
Lesson 2: Installing Envision3D

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The Envision3D CD

- The CD contains installation programs for the entire suite as well as individual components in the suite
- The DBEDIT tool can be obtained through Technical Support





Performance Matrix

	Minimum Performance System	High Performance System
Envision MediaManager and DatabaseManager Server Windows NT 4.0 SP3.0+ 10 Mbs Ethernet network 800x600 minimum display	Pentium 200MHz CPU, SCSI hard disk with <9 msec access time, 64 MB RAM,	Dual Pentium 200MHz CPU with 512KB cache CPU, wide SCSI disk RAID controller with <8msec access time and 7200 rpm disks, 128MB RAM, 100mbs Ethernet network
Envision MediaManager Administrator System Windows 95 or NT 4.0 SP3.0+ 800x600 minimum display	100MHz 486 CPU 16MB RAM	
WebServer Windows NT 4.0 SP3.0+ 800x600 minimum display Netscape Enterprise or M/S IIS Server software	Pentium 200MHz CPU 64 MB RAM	
Envision3D Optimizer Windows NT 4.0 SP3.0+ 800x600 minimum display 16-bit color for viewer	Pentium 200MHz CPU 64 MB RAM	Pentium 200MHz CPU 128 MB RAM
Pro/Engineer Plug-In Windows NT 4.0 SP3.0+ Pro/Engineer ver. 18 or 19 800x600 minimum display	Standard configuration for the version of Pro/E installed	Standard configuration for the version of Pro/E installed
Envision3D DeskTop Windows 95 or NT 4.0 SP3.0+ 800x600 minimum display 16-bit color	Pentium 133MHz CPU, 32MB RAM 64kbs to 10mbs network	Pentium Pro 200MHz CPU, 128MB RAM 10mbs or faster Ethernet network



Envision3D MediaManager

Server Program: Manages Content

Purpose

Streams CAD models to client workstations

Software Components

Windows NT Service

- Windows NT 4.0
- Pentium 200MHz
- 64MB RAM
- SCSI hard disk < 9ms access time</p>





MediaManager Administrator

Server Program: Provides Administration Tools

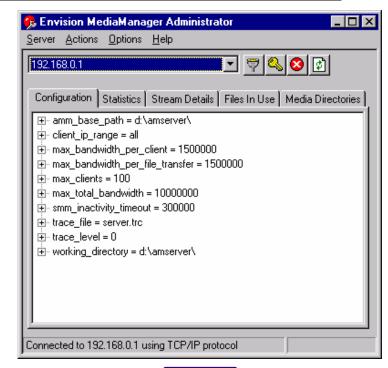
Purpose

- Change server configuration
- Monitor server activity

Software Components

Windows NT application

- Windows NT 4.0
- 486 100MHz
- 16MB RAM





Windows NT



Envision3D DataServer

Server Program: Serves Database Objects

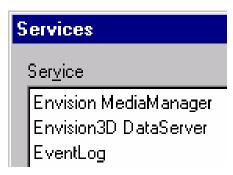
Purpose

Provides access to database containing object attributes

Software Components

Windows NT Service

- Windows NT 4.0
- Pentium 200MHz
- 64MB RAM
- SCSI hard disk < 9ms access time</p>
- Can be on same machine as MediaManager but better performance on its own machine





Envision3D Optimizer

Server Program: Creates Envision3D Files

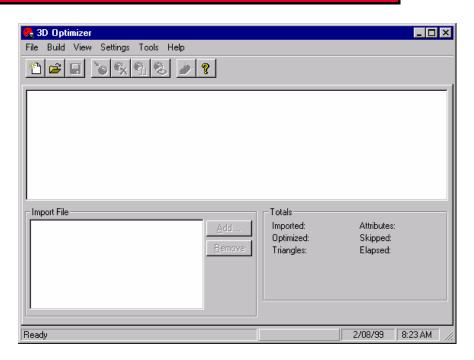
Purpose

- Convert CAD files from native format to Envision3D
- Setup default viewpoints and paths for all users

Software Components

Windows NT Application

- Windows NT 4.0
- Pentium 200MHz
- 64 MB RAM
- 800x600 / 16 bit color display





Windows NT



Web Server

Server Program: Calls Content from Server

Purpose

 Provides access to files for client web browsers

Software Components

- Any standard Web software
- Microsoft IIS comes free with Windows NT

System Requirements

- Any operating system (WIN/MAC/UNIX)
- Any standard Web server
- Can run on MediaManager server,

but may affect performance





Windows NT Server



Envision3D DeskTop

Client Program: Viewing and Collaborating

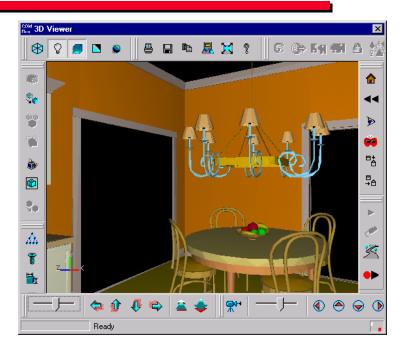
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Envision3D Pro/E Exporter

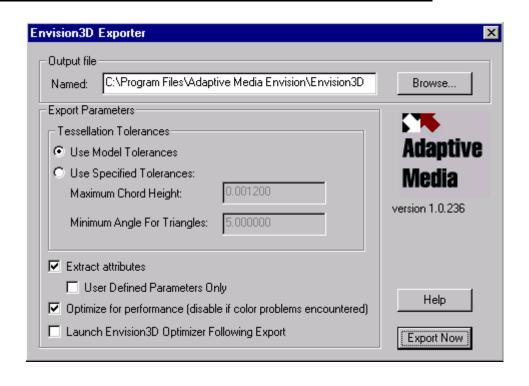
Purpose

 Used to export Pro/E files in Envision3D exchange format (.3DX)

Software Components

- Pro/Engineer (19 or higher - 19 only for Odin 3.0.174)
- Must be Pro/E for NT

- Windows NT 4.0
- System used for Pro/Engineer





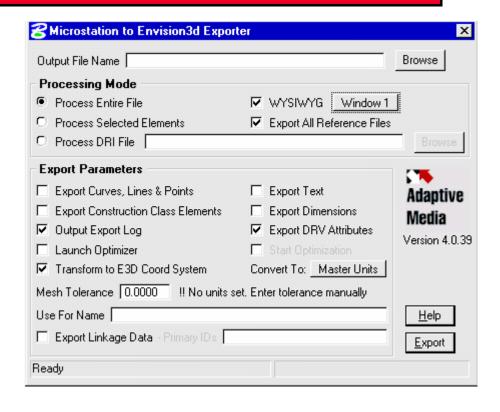
Envision3D MicroStation Exporter

Purpose

Software Components

 Embedded exporter for drawing files and user attributes

- Windows NT 4.0
- System used for MicroStation





Envision3D DWG Translator

Purpose

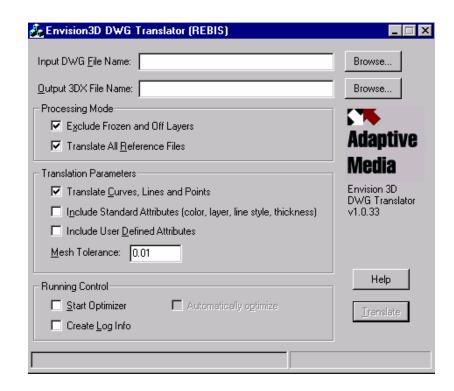
 Used to translate AutoCAD (.DWG) files to Envision3D exchange format (.3DX)

Software Components

 Standalone translator for drawing files and user attributes

System Requirements

Windows 95/NT 4.0





Before Installation

Prep Work

- Check minimum guidelines on the Performance Matrix
- Know your IP addresses (DataServer and MediaManager)

Create Folders

- Working folder
- Database folder
- Web server folder (wwwroot)

Recommended Directory Structure

Web server c:\inetpub\wwwroot

MediaManager d:\amserver\models

Models default location d:\amserver\models

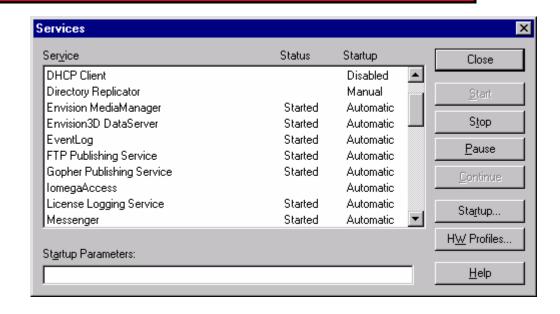
Database default location
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After Installation

Review Release Notes

- Installation Issues
- Installation Procedures
- KnownProblems andLimitations



Check Services (Control Panel)

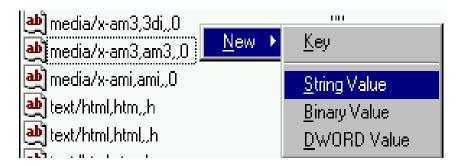
- MediaManager
- DataServer



Web Server Configuration

Web Server Mime Type

- Release notes contain specific details for adding mime types to supported Web Servers
 - Varies by server and version
- Add a mime type for Envision3D files: media/x-am3,am3,,,





DeskTop Installation

Verify your DeskTop installation

- A web browser must be installed before installing Envision3D
- You can check that the plug-in is installed in Netscape by selecting "About Plug-ins" from the Help menu
- Envision3D will now appear in the "Add/Remove Programs" section of your Control Panel

Envision MediaManager Envision MediaManager Administrator Envision3D DataServer Envision3D DeskTop Envision3D Optimizer



MediaManager Administrator

Connecting to the MediaManager

- Initial logon requires no password
- You can set or change passwords from the Actions menu
- Click "Add to server list" to allow the server to be selectable from a drop-down list







MediaManager Menu Options

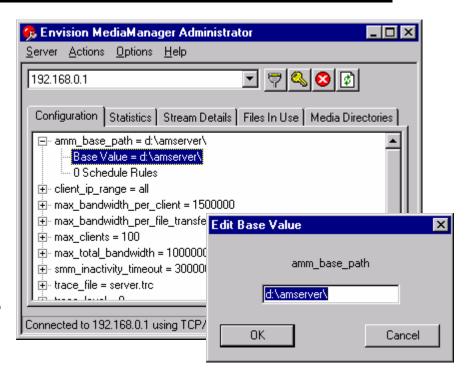
- Connect to Server
- Remove Servers from List
- Set Security Access Privileges
 - Admin level passwords let you change everything on a server, including passwords and configuration values always set up this access first
 - MediaLink level passwords just allow you to replicate, copy, and move presentations
- Stop the Server
- Set Screen Update Rate
- Reconnect When Program Starts
- Display Hostnames
 - Disable when server or client does not include a DNS entry
 - Causes delays searching nameservers for a non-existent DNS entry



MediaManager: Configuration

Manage Configuration Settings

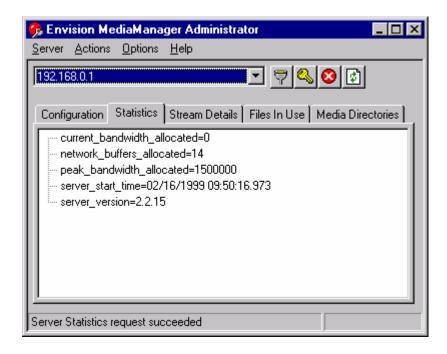
- Set default media locations
- Change bandwidth restrictions
- Set schedule rules based on time of day
- Right-click to edit values





MediaManager: Statistics

- Current bandwidth allocated is the total bandwidth of all streams currently open on the server (bps)
- Peak bandwidth allocated is the highest amount of bandwidth required by simultaneous client content requests since MediaManager was last started on the server

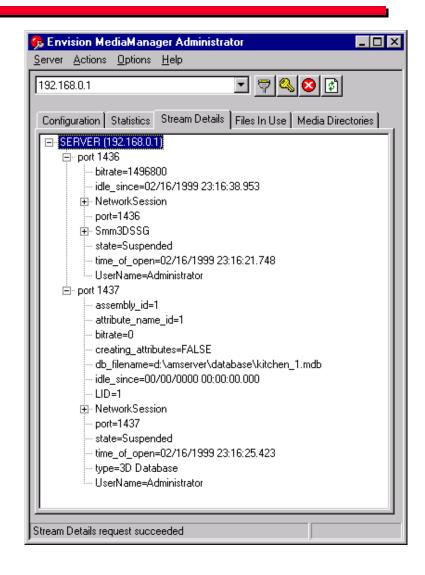




MediaManager: Stream Details

Streams sent by the MediaManager server

- State lists whether the stream is currently being sent to the client (STREAMING) or not (SUSPENDED)
- Streams can be suspended (though still in use) when the buffer in the Envision Desktop player is full

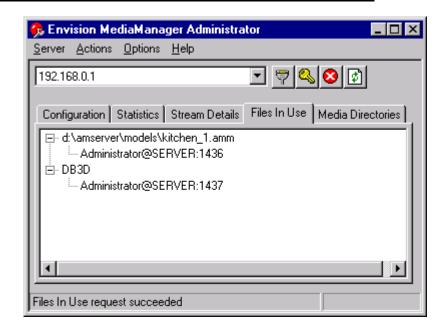




MediaManager: Files In Use

Displays files in use at the moment

Dynamic, showing user activities





MediaManager: Media Directories

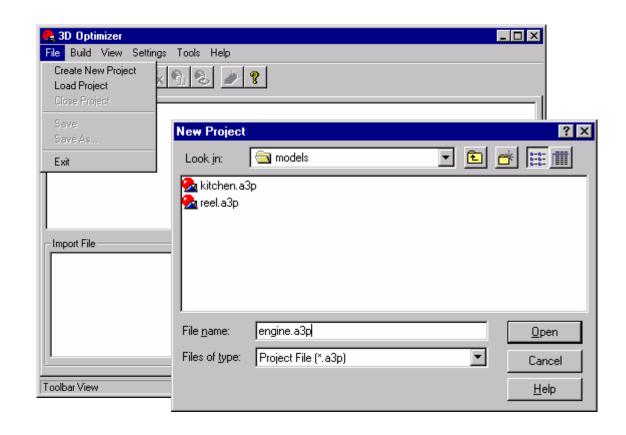
Add points - per Jayne's research





Optimizer: Create a New Project

- Start Optimizer and create a new project in your models folder
- Workbook directions lead you step by step

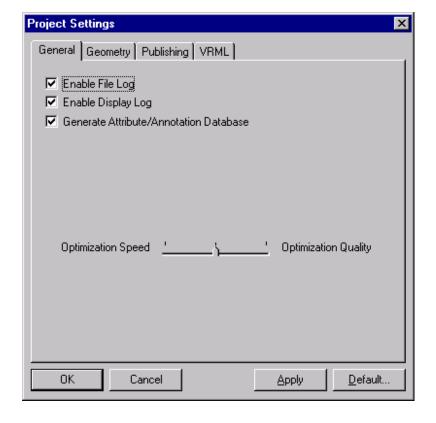




Specify Project Settings

- Project settings allow you to specify rules and locations for your project
- You can make your settings "global" so all future projects will automatically be set up with the same rules

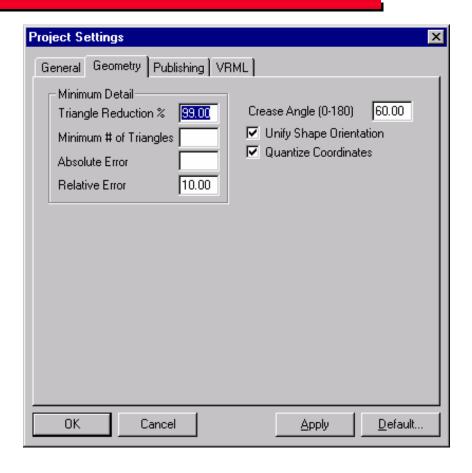






Project Settings: Geometry

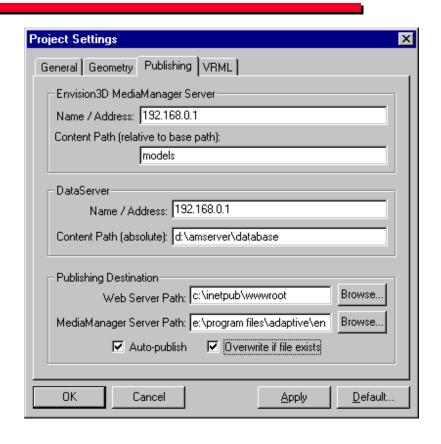
- Options allow you to set minimum levels for detail of objects in your database
- Envision 3D displays each object with at least as much detail as specified
- If you provide a value for more than one minimum field, Optimizer uses the value that degrades the particular object the least





Project Settings: Publishing

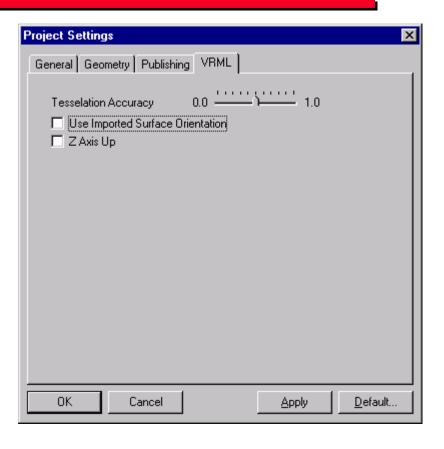
- Controls the creation of the AMM, AM3, and attribute/annotation database (.MDB) files
- Specify the server address and directory location to enable Optimizer to automatically generate AM3 and AMM files for your presentation
- Specify the information for the attribute/annotation database before you convert if you want one available





Project Settings: VRML

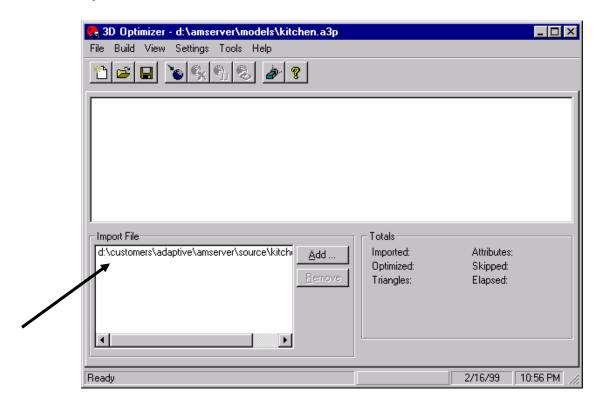
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Add the Source File to the Project

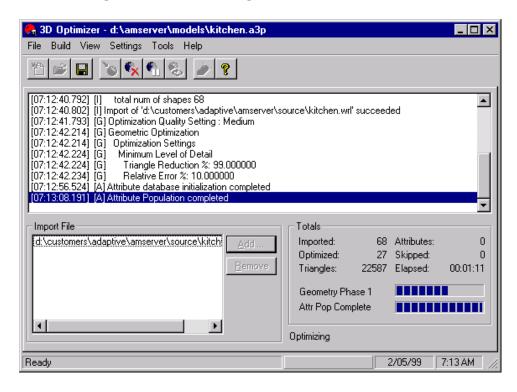
- Locate the original CAD model and add it to the project
 - Multiple source files can be included





Transcode the Model

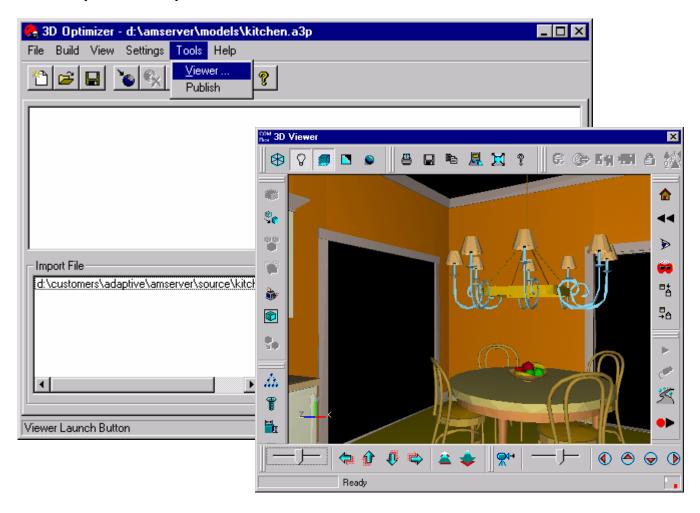
- The "build" process creates the converted files to be used with Envision3D
 - Attributes are captured if they were in the source model
 - Status messages show progress





Check the Model in the Viewer

The Optimizer provides direct access to the model in the Viewer

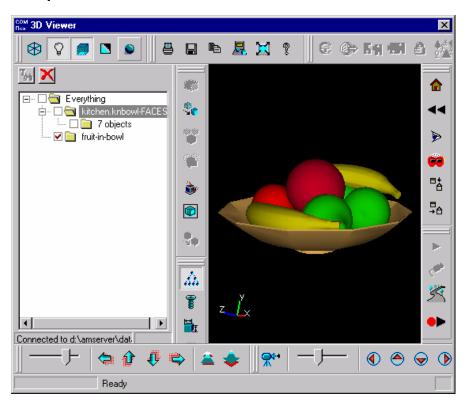




Add Value for Users

- Create basic viewpoints and paths
- Create view hierarchies







Setup Access from the Web

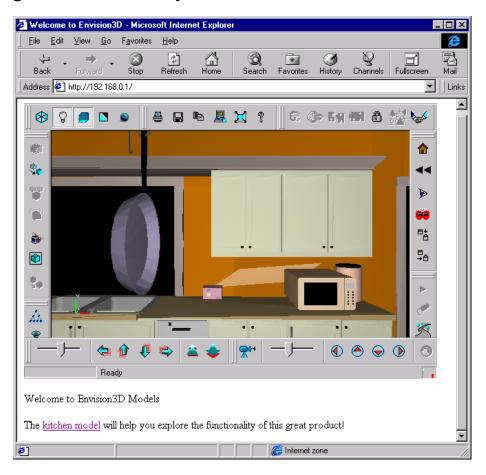
Create an HTML page to launch the viewer

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<meta NAME="Author" CONTENT="Kathy Vadasz">
<meta NAME="GENERATOR" CONTENT="Microsoft FrontPage 3.0">
<title>Welcome to Envision3D</title>
</head>
<body>
<embed src="http://192.168.0.1/kitchen 1.am3" height="400" width="600">
<!--webbot bot="HTMLMarkup" startspan TAG="XBOT" -->
</EMBED><!--webbot bot="HTMLMarkup" endspan -->
Welcome to Envision3D Models 
The <a HREF="http://192.168.0.1/kitchen 1.am3">kitchen model</a> will help
you explore the functionality of this great product! 
</body>
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Test Access from the Web

 Ensure your clients are able to view the model and take advantage of the value you've added





Review

- What the CD Contains
- Installing the Product Suite
- Post Installation Setup and Verification
- Converting a Basic Model
- Adding Value
- Testing Web Access



Installing Envision3D Lab Exercise

- Prepare the Systems for Installation
- Install the Components
- Verify that MediaManager and DataServer are running
- Add MIME Types to the Web Server
- Configure the Envision3D MediaManager
- Create a Project
- Specify Project Settings
- Transcode a Model
- Add Value to the Model with Viewpoints, Paths and Hierarchies
- Create an HTML page to launch the viewer from the web
- Test Web Access

