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Performance Test Results - Enterprise Discovery® and Asset Manager® Integration Using Connect-It®



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Introduction

This document shows the performance gain that can be obtained by making specific modifications to the out-of-the-box Enterprise Discovery®-to-Asset Manager® Connect-It® integration scenario. It describes the various modifications that you make and the improved results that you may experience.

As this document shows, applying these modifications can decrease the scenario execution time to about $1/12^{th}$ the execution time experienced using the out-of-box scenario.

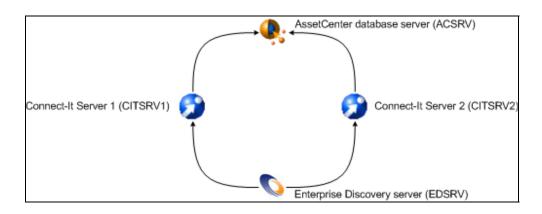
Important: This document is intended for customers who have large amounts of data and high performance expectations with Connect-It. Customers who have small amounts of data to integrate from Enterprise Discovery to Asset Manager will likely find that the benefits of modifying the out-of-box scenario, edac.scn, are not worth the required time and effort. In addition, customers who want to implement these modifications should already be familiar with both Connect-It and Asset Manager. It is also preferable that they have skills in SQL.

Note: The results of implementing these modifications in a production environment may vary based on a variety of factors, including hardware and software configurations; network hardware, software, and traffic volume; other applications running on client and server machines, including the database; and expertise in tuning Enterprise Discovery, Connect-It, and Asset Manager. All these factors are beyond the scope of this document.

Note 2: The testing was performed on a platform with AssetCenter 4.4.2. The results are still available for Asset Manager 5.0 and 5.1 as they were no significant change in the area concerned by the testing. In the results you still find reference to AssetCenter, former name for Asset Manager.

Scenario architecture

Physical architecture



Two servers hosting Connect-It will be used. Both extract data from Enterprise Discovery and insert it into Asset Manager. The scenarios on both servers are the same, except for the filter in the produced documents. (See the section Information on data polled in Enterprise Discovery).

Servers' characteristics

The following table shows specific information about the servers that were used in the benchmark test. All servers include Intel[®] Xeon[®] or Pentium[®] processors and run the Microsoft[®] Windows Server[®] 2003 operating system.

Server	RAM	СРИ	os	Software
ACSRV	4 Gb	4x Intel Xeon MP 3,16 Ghz	Windows Server 2003	AC 4.4
CITSRV1	2 Gb	4x Intel Xeon 3,6 Ghz	Windows Server 2003	CIT 3.6
CITSRV2	1,5 Gb	2x Intel Pentium III 662Mhz	Windows Server 2003	CIT 3.6
EDSRV	4 Gb	4x Intel Pentium III Xeon 550 Mhz	Windows Server 2003	ED 2.0.1

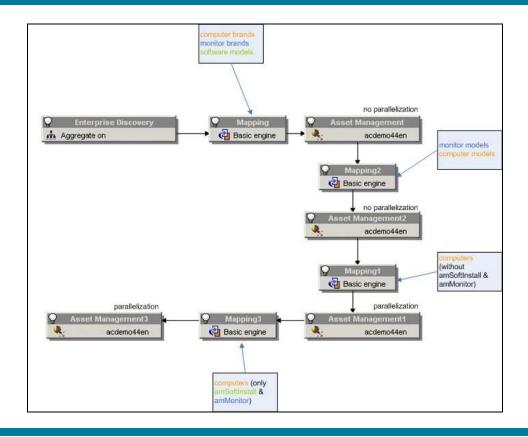
Logical architecture

The scenario extracts computer data, along with hardware and software information, from Enterprise Discovery and inserts it into Asset Manager. The parallelization capability of Connect-It, which allows multiple threads to perform operations, will be used to improve scenario execution time. Nevertheless, using Connect-It parallelization adds the risk of deadlocks, and the out-of-box scenario, which is intended to be run without parallelization, must be modified to be thread-safe.

Elements creation has been sequenced to allow parallelization to work correctly and to avoid deadlocks. Indeed, with the original scenario, enabling parallelization without modifications to the scenario will allow the creation of the same object in different threads. For instance, with insertions of computers having the same model, there can be a deadlock while creating the model or the associated brand.

The idea is to first create elements that will be used by other elements. For instance, in a first mapping, the computer brands will be created, then computer models (using the brands) will be created, and finally the computers themselves are created. Connectors performing insertions of shared elements (such as brands or models) must not be parallelized; only the connector performing insertions of unique elements (such as computers) can be parallelized.

Elements with no link can be treated in the same mapping box. For instance, computer brands and monitor brands can be created in the same mapping box. The diagram below shows the rebuilt scenario matching those requirements, and indicates where the different elements are created:



Here is a description of the different elements:

- Enterprise Discovery: The Enterprise Discovery connector produces documents for computers present in the Enterprise Discovery database. It produces documents only for computers, and not for other elements that are in the original out-of-the-box scenario edac.scn. (See the Connect-It User's Guide for more information.)
- <u>Mapping</u>: This mapping element is used for inserting computer brands, monitor brands, and software models. Insertion of computer brands and computer models, monitor brands, and monitor models has been done in two different mapping boxes, to prevent deadlocks from occurring in the Asset Manager database while creating the models and brands.
- <u>Asset Management</u>: The Asset Manager connector is used to insert computer brands, monitor brands, and computer models. This connector will never be multithreaded, to prevent deadlocks.
- <u>Mapping2</u>: This mapping box is used for inserting monitor models and computer models (using the brands created in the previous operations).
- <u>Asset Management2</u>: The Asset Manager connector is used to insert monitor and computer models. This connector will never be multithreaded, to prevent deadlocks.
- <u>Mapping 1</u>: This mapping box is used to insert computers in Asset Manager. All are created except the amSoftInstall and amMonitor components. The amSoftInstall and amMonitor components are not mapped because there is a problem in multithreading with those components; they are inserted twice into Asset Manager (resulting in false information inserted into Asset Manager and in poor result performance). For instance, with one software installation, Connect-It tries to insert the same software installation into Asset Manager two times. The amSoftInstall and amMonitor

components must be inserted in a separated mapping (see Mapping3 below); this way, the right number of amSoftInstall and amMonitor elements will be inserted.

- <u>Asset Management1</u>: This Asset Manager connector is used to insert computers (without amSoftInstall and amMonitor). This connector can be multithreaded (using the Connect-It parallelization capability, an Asset Manager connector advanced property), without risk of deadlocks.
- <u>Mapping3</u>: This mapping box is used to complete the previous computers' insertions with amSoftInstall and amMonitor elements.
- <u>Asset Management3</u>: This Asset Manager connector is used to insert amSoftInstall and amMonitor elements. This connector can be multithreaded (using Connect-It parallelization capability, an Asset Manager connector advanced property), without risk of deadlocks.

Note: The optimized scenario named edac-optim.scn is attached to the white paper, so that the reader can refer to it and consult the modifications performed.

Information on data polled in Enterprise Discovery

This table summarizes the data contained in the Enterprise Discovery database:

Element	Total	Average per computer
software	1 078 643	18.82
monitors	17 035	
extensions cards	477 945	8.34
logical devices	522 810	9.12
physical devices	97 807	1.71
network cards	108 460	1.89
computers	57 327	

Considering the previous values, the number of portfolio items is 1,153,005 (including software, monitors, and computers).

So that the data polled on CITSRV1 and CITSRV2 is not the same, we perform an arbitrary filter that allows splitting Enterprise Discovery devices in two groups. The filter is applied on the field priority in the document that Enterprise Discovery produces. CITSRV1 polls computers whose priority is 1 (28,828 computers), and CITSRV2 polls computers whose priority is *not* 1 (28,499 computers).

Modifications performed to increase performance

The various modifications that were made to improve performance are named M1 through M7.

Tuning Asset Manager counters, adding indexes in the Asset Manager database, and using the Connect-It parallelization feature reduced scenario execution time by 11/12 (over 91%). The out-of-the-box edac.scn scenario takes 183 hours and 1 minute to complete the benchmark test, whereas the optimized scenario needs only 15 hours 3 minutes. (To review the all the optimizations, open the edac-optim.scn file, which is attached to this document) In the optimized scenario, 63 computers are inserted per minute into Asset Manager, which corresponds to 1,276 portfolio items inserted per minute.

This section describes the modifications in detail. The section *Details of modifications* summarizes the results obtained during the different tests performed.

During the scenario execution, ACSRV resources are not completely used: More than 70% of the CPU is available and only half of the memory is used. Nevertheless, all CPU resources on CITSRV1 and CITSRV2 are completely used. This means than the Connect-It servers are at their maximum, but not the Asset Manager server. So, it's still possible to have better performance results by adding a

third Connect-It server. The section *Resource consumption on servers* details the server profiles during testing.

Details of modifications

M1 – Asset Manager counters

The first modification applied is the SQL Server procedure for managing counters in Asset Manager. Refer to the Asset Manager Tuning document, in the section Eliminating locks and deadlocks, to perform the necessary modifications. Here is a list of the counters that were modified in the benchmark:

amDashboarditem_Name	amInputEvent_EventNo	amOutputEvent_EventNo	amWfActivAlarm_Ref
amWfActivity_Ref	amWfEvent_Ref	amWfInstance_Ref	amWfOrgRole_Ref
amWfScheme_Ref	amWfTransition_Ref	amWfWorkItem_Ref	amCable_CableTag
amCableLink_BarCode	amColorCode_Code	amTraceHistory_BarCode	amCatalog_Code
InternalRef	amContract_Ref	amCntrRent_Code	amLoan_Code
amReturnEnv_Code	amDaDepInstance_Name	amDaWfScheme_Ref	amBudget_code
amBu3dgetCategory_code	amBudget_BudgetNo	amCostCategory_Code	amCostCenter_Code
amExpenseLine_ItemNo	amFYDivision_Code	amPeriod_Code	amCbkStoredEvent_Event
amDecisionTree_BarCode	amDecisionTree_Code	amDownTimePeriod_Code	amEscalScheme_BarCode
amEscSchLevel_Code	amKnowlBase_Code	amProblemClass_BarCode	amSeverity_Code
amTicket_TicketNo	amComputer_Name	amComputer_Group	amConnection_CnxNo
amAsset_AssetTag	amBrand_BarCode	amCompany_Code	amModel_BarCode
amModel_ModelRef	amNature_Code	amNews_Name	amAssignment_Code
amMonitor_Serial	amEmplDept_BarCode	amEmplGroup_BarCode	amLocation_BarCode
amAdjustment_ItemNo	amFieldAdjust_ItemNo	amFieldAdjustModel_ItemNo	amProject_Code
amReqLine_ItemNo	amRequest_ReqNumber	amStock_Code	amTraining_BarCode
amWorkOrder_WONo	amInvoice_InvoiceNumber	amPOrder_PONumber	amPOrdLine_ItemNo
amDeliv_Number	amResa_ItemNo	amItemReceived_ItemNo	amWfSyncPoint_Ref
amCategory_BarCode	amDeliv_DelivNumber	amExtensionCard_CardID	

M2 - Adding indexes in Asset Manager

As the scenario reconciles the PhysicalAddress, TcplpAddress, and AssetTag fields, two of those fields must be indexed in the Asset Manager database to obtain better performance results. The AssetTag field is already indexed, so we need to index only PhysicalAddress and TcplpAddress. Create indexes on the Computers table with Asset Manager Application Designer (former name in AssetCenter 4.4.x and 5.0x: AssetCenter Database Administrator - AMDBA) having the following properties:

• Index on PhysicalAddress:

SQL Name: Cpu_PhysicalAddress

Fields: PhysicalAddress

o Type: Normal

• Index on TcplpAddress:

o SQL Name: Cpu_TcplpAddress

Fields: TcplpAddress

o Type: Normal

M3 - Replace trigger on amExtensionCard

The existing trigger amExtensionCard_ExtNoDupNdx present in the Asset Manager database can lead to deadlocks. To avoid them, replace the existing trigger with the following script (which was written for SQL Server). You will need to perform a SQL query directly on the database; be careful while performing this operation:

```
DROP TRIGGER itam.amExtensionCard_ExtNoDupNdx
CREATE TRIGGER itam.amExtensionCard_ExtNoDupNdx ON itam.amExtensionCard FOR INSERT,UPDATE AS
IF UPDATE (CardID) OR UPDATE (lCompId)
REGIN
NOT((SELECT MAX(CardID) FROM inserted) IS NULL AND (SELECT MAX(lCompld) FROM inserted) IS
BEGIN
IF(
NOT EXISTS (SELECT * FROM deleted) OR EXISTS (SELECT i.lCardId FROM inserted i. deleted d
WHERE i.lCardId = d.lCardId AND((ISNULL(d.CardID,'') <> ISNULL(i.CardID,''))OR(d.lCompId <>
i.lCompId))))
(SELECT COUNT(*) FROM inserted I, itam.amExtensionCard E (Index=Card_CardIDlCompId nolock)
WHERE (I.lCompid = E.lCompid AND ISNULL(I.CardID,'') = ISNULL(E.CardID,''))) > (SELECT
COUNT(*) FROM inserted) )
BEGIN
RAISERROR ('NoDupIndexTriggered : ''amExtensionCard_Card_CardIDlCompId''', 14, 3)
IF 0 < (SELECT COUNT(*) FROM deleted)</pre>
UPDATE amExtensionCard SET lCardId = D.lCardId, dtLastModif = D.dtLastModif, CardID =
D.CardID, Name = D.Name, Revision = D.Revision, Type = D.Type, VendorID = D.VendorID,
lCompId = D.lCompId, lVendorId = D.lVendorId FROM deleted D WHERE amExtensionCard.lCardId =
D.lCardId AND amExtensionCard.lCardId IN (SELECT D.lCardId FROM deleted D)
ELSE
DELETE FROM amExtensionCard WHERE lCardId = (SELECT lCardId FROM inserted)
END
END
END
```

M4 – Adding indexes on counters tables

The counters tables we created above help prevent deadlocks in the Asset Manager database, but when running a scenario that inserts a lot of records, the stored procedure that purges records does not have the time to delete the items in the tables. Access time to the records increases over time. Indexes on the most used tables can help there. As counter tables are not exposed in AMDBA, a SQL query must be directly performed on the database. Be careful while performing this operation.

The following script (which was written for SQL Server) creates indexes on four tables:

M5 – modification of Card_CardIDCompld index

The index (on amExtensionCard table in the Asset Manager database) is not optimal; its columns have to be inverted to be more effective. Because it is a system index, you directly perform a SQL query to invert the columns; be careful while performing this modification. Note that the following script was written for SQL Server:

```
CREATE INDEX [Card_CardIDlCompId]
ON [itam].[amExtensionCard] ([lCompId], [CardID])
WITH
DROP_EXISTING
ON [PRIMARY]
```

M6 – adding an index on amWfInstance table

Even if this table is not directly called by the integration scenario, many "where" clauses are executed by Asset Manager during the scenario execution. The queries are time-consuming for the database because there is no index on this table. Create an index on Workflow instances table with AMDBA having the following properties:

• SQL Name: WfInst_IDocRecordIdlWfSchId

• Fields: IDocRecordId, IWfSchId

• Type: Normal

M7 – Query compilation optimization

Looking at MS SQL Server database activity with the Profiler tool, we see that queries were often recompiled. Also, some queries directly contained values (instead of using parameters), and so were systematically compiled. Parameters have been added to the amdb.ini file on CITSRV1 and CITSRV2 to avoid this behavior. The parameters are placed under the section corresponding to the connection used by the connector to reach the Asset Manager database:

```
[ACDemo44en]
Engine=MSSQL
...
StmtCache=500
ConstAsText=0
ConstAsTextForSelect=0
ConstAsTextForGet=0
```

For system ODBC connections, the file can be found under C:\Windows\; for user ODBC connections, the file can be found under C:\Documents and Settings\<User>.

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Details of tests results

The first tests (T1, T2, T3 and T4) were done without splitting the treatment of amComputer insertions from amSoftInstall / amMonitor insertions. This means that there were no "Asset Management3" and "Mapping3" elements in the scenario for those tests; all was done in "Mapping1" mapping box.

In the results table, the "Configuration" column displays the number of threads for:

- The "Asset Management1" component in T1, T2, T3 and T4 tests
- The "Asset Management1"/"Asset Management3" components in subsequent tests

Test results table

N°	Scenario / Modifications applied	Configuration		Time measurement		Avq Time	sec/	computer	computer	nb	%	sec / portfolio	portfolio	portfolio
14		CITSRV1	CITSRV2	CITSRV1	CITSRV2	Avg Time	computer	/ sec	/ min	rejected	rejected	item	item / sec	item / min
T1	edac		1 thread		183:01:00	183:01:00	11.49	0.09	5.4	0	0.00	0.57	1.75	105.00
T2	edacOptim - M1	1 thread	1 thread	102:55:00	44:43:00	73:49:00	4.64	0.22	13.2	0	0.00	0.23	4.34	260.40
Т3	edacOptim - M1-M2	1 thread	1 thread	112:13:00	53:22:00	82:47:30	5.20	0.19	11.4	0	0.00	0.26	3.87	232.20
T4	edacOptim - M1-M2-M3	12 threads	8 threads	21:51:00	16:48:00	19:19:30	1.21	0.82	49.2	0	0.00	0.06	16.57	994.20
T5*	edacOptim - M1-M2-M3	20/10 threads	12/6 threads	19:52:00	16:01:00	17:56:30	1.13	0.89	53.4	0	0.00	0.06	17.85	1 071.00
T6	edacOptim - M1-M2-M3-M4	20/10 threads	12/6 threads	18:31:00	17:04:00	17:47:30	1.12	0.90	54	0	0.00	0.06	18.00	1 080.00
17	edacOptim - M1-M2-M3-M4-M5	20/10 threads	12/6 threads	19:03:00	16:10:00	17:36:30	1.11	0.90	54	0	0.00	0.05	18.19	1 091.40
T8	edacOptim - M1-M2-M3-M4-M5	6/3 threads	6/3 threads	20:26:00	15:19:00	17:52:30	1.12	0.89	53.4	0	0.00	0.06	17.92	1 075.20
T9	edacOptim - M1-M2-M3-M4-M5-M6	6/3 threads	6/3 threads	15:03:00	15:28:00	15:15:30	0.96	1.04	62.4	0	0.00	0.05	20.99	1 259.40
T10	edacOptim - M1-M2-M3-M4-M5-M6-M7	8/3 threads	8/3 threads	12:39:00	17:28:00	15:03:30	0.95	1.06	63.6	0	0.00	0.05	21.27	1 276.20

The following formulas were used to calculate the values shown in the test results table:

- "Avg time" : If the treatment was done by CITSRV1 and CITSRV2, then "Avg time" equals ("Time passed on CITSRV1" + "Time passed on CITSRV2") / 2. Otherwise it's the time passed on the server used; the type is "hh:mm:ss"
- "sec/computer" = "Avg Time (seconds)" / "Number of computers scanned in Enterprise Discovery"
- "computer/sec" = "Number of computers scanned in Enterprise Discovery" / "Avg Time (seconds)"
- "computer/min" = "computer/sec" * 60
- "sec/portfolio item" = "Avg Time (seconds)" / "Number of portfolio items to be inserted in Asset Manager"
- "portfolio item/sec" = "Number of portfolio items to be inserted in Asset Manager" / "Avg Time (seconds)"
- "portfolio item/min" = "portfolio item/sec" * 60
- "%rejected" = "Number of computers documents on error" / "Number of computers scanned in Enterprise Discovery" * 100
- * T5 is the first scenario having amSoftInstall and amMonitor insertions separated from amComputer insertions.

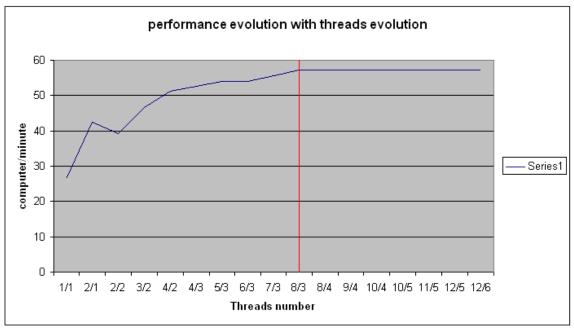
Note on threads number: As you can see, between T7 and T8 the scenario duration is quite similar, despite the important threads reduction. The threads count does not need to be too high to have an interesting performance gain; moreover, having too many threads causes high CPU consumption and latency in SQL Server treatments (because threads are waiting for other threads). Refer to the next paragraph to see the performance evolution in terms of thread count evolution.

Thread count evolution performance study

To determine the best thread count to configure in the "Asset Management1" and "Asset Management3" connectors, we performed tests, varying the number of threads and checking the time required for the scenario to execute. During the tests, the number of documents to produce was limited to 2,000. The optimized scenario was used to perform the study. The results are in the above table and chart.

Configuration			Threads	Time need	ed (h:mm)	Aver (humm)	sec/	computer	computer	
CITSRV1	threads	CITSRV2	threads	Total	CITSRV1 CITSRV2		Avg (h:mm)	compute	/ sec	/ min
0	0	2	2	2/2*	0:00	1:13	1:13	2.19	0.46	27.40
1	1	1	1	1/1	1:28	1:03	1:15	2.25	0.44	26.67
2	1	2	1	2/1	0:51	0:43	0:47	1.41	0.71	42.55
2	2	2	2	2/2	0:56	0:46	0:51	1.53	0.65	39.22
3	2	Э	2	3/2	0:44	0:43	0:43	1.29	0.78	46.51
4	2	4	2	4/2	0:40	0:38	0:39	1.17	0.85	51.28
4	3	4	3	4/3	0:38	0:39	0:38	1.14	0.88	52.63
5	3	5		5/3	0:36	0:38	0:37	1.11	0.90	54.05
6	3	6	3	6/3	0:36	0:38	0:37	1.11	0.90	54.05
7	3	7		7/3	0:35	0:38	0:36	1.08	0.93	55.56
8	3	8		8/3	0:33	0:38	0:35	1.05	0.95	57.14
8	4	8	4	8/4	0:33	0:38	0:35	1.05	0.95	57.14
9	4	9	4	9/4	0:33	0:38	0:35	1.05	0.95	57.14
10	4	10	4	10/4	0:33	0:38	0:35	1.05	0.95	57.14
10	5	10	5	10/5	0:32	0:38	0:35	1.05	0.95	57.14
11	5	11	5	11/5	0:33	0:37	0:35	1.05	0.95	57.14
12	5	12	5	12/5	0:33	0:38	0:35	1.05	0.95	57.14
12	6	12	6	12/6	0:32	0:39	0:35	1.05	0.95	57.14
* in this test, only CITSRV2 is used, the 2,000 computers are treated on this single server										

In the configuration column table, the first value on a server is the number of threads in the "Asset Management1" connector; the second value is the number of threads in the "Asset Management3" connector.



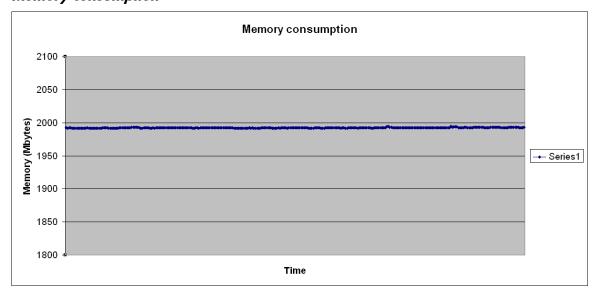
The results show that beyond 8 threads allocated to the "Asset Management1" connector and 3 threads allocated to "Asset Management3", there is no more performance gain. Therefore, this is the configuration that was applied to the final test (T10 in the results table in the section *Test results table*) for the connectors.

Don't be surprised that the computer/minute ratio is less important than in the results in the section *Test results table*. Indeed, there is a fixed time used to query the Enterprise Discovery database, and its impact on a test with 2,000 documents is more important than its impact on a test with 50,000 documents. So the computer/minute ratio will be more important as you treat more computers. What is important to remember here is that after a certain amount of threads is configured, there is no more performance gain. We suggest you perform the same tests in your environment to determine the best configuration, as it may vary according to your servers' capabilities and other factors.

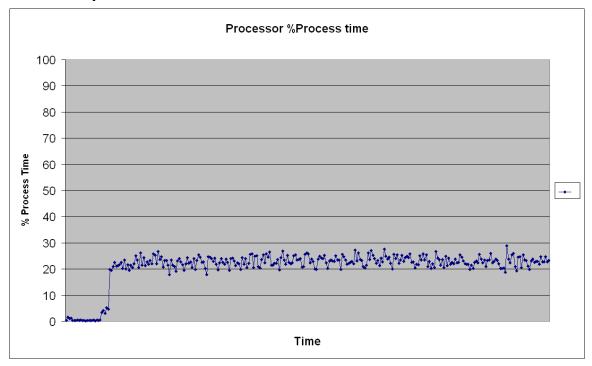
Resource consumption on servers

Measures were performed on a one-hour time-frame. Memory and CPU evolutions stay the same after this period. The results concern the most optimized scenario (that used in T10).

ACSRV
Memory consumption

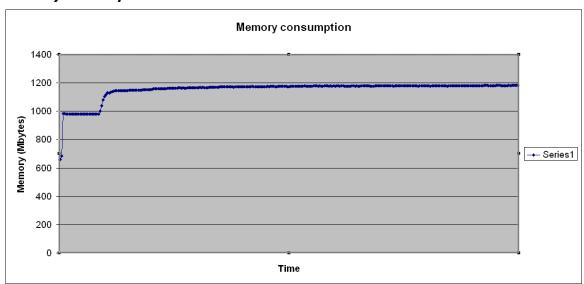


Note: ACSRV has 4 GB memory.

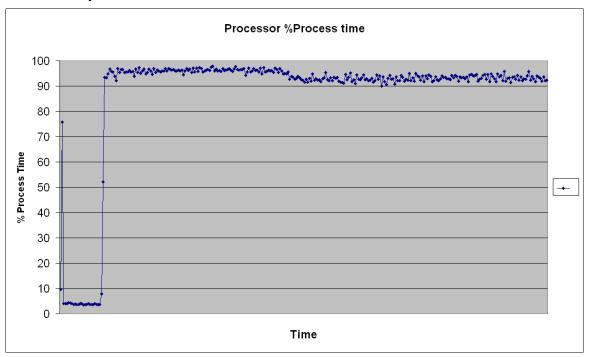


CITSRV1

Memory consumption

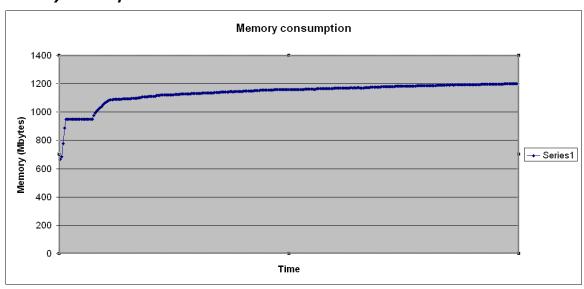


Note: CITSRV1 has 2 GB memory.

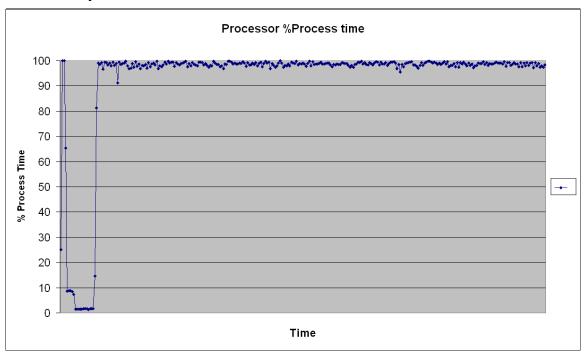


CITSRV2

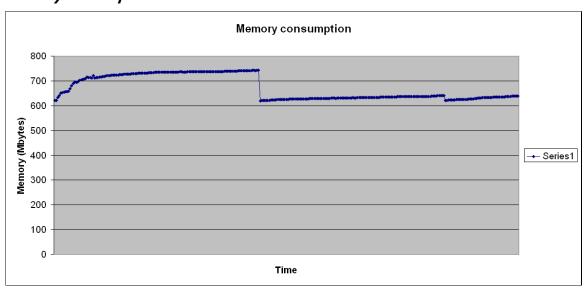
Memory consumption



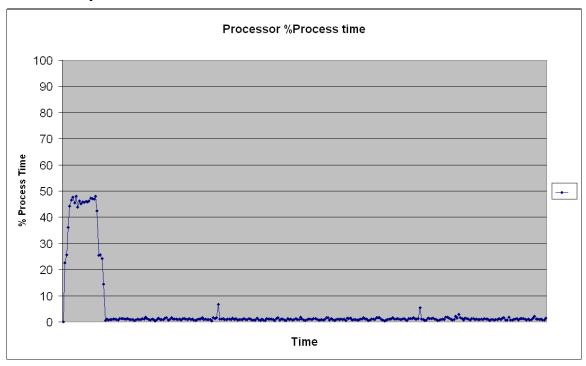
Note: CITSRV2 has 1.5 GB memory.



EDSRV *Memory consumption*



Note: EDSRV has 4 GB memory.



Memory and CPU consumption is not the same in the first 5 minutes of the scenarios' execution. During this period, ACSRV, CITSRV1 and CITSRV2 do not consume a lot of CPU and memory, whereas EDSRV consumes a lot. It is indeed the period of document production, where Connect-It queries the source database; where resources are consumed on the source database to perform the queries (such as on EDSRV), and other servers wait for the result.

During the treatments, ACSRV resources are not completely used: more than 70% of the CPU is available and only half of the memory is used. Nevertheless, CITSRV1 and CITSRV2 CPU are completely used. This means than the Connect-It servers are at their maximum, but not the Asset Manager server. So it is still possible to achieve better performance results by adding a third Connect-It server.

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