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About This User Manual

General

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Snapshot Reports for 800xA is a system extension to the ABB 800xA system. The Snapshot Reports for 800xA contains all components needed to create a large variety of snapshot reports integrated with the 800xA system. The reports are available for all 800xA user categories.

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Section 1 Introduction

This user manual describes how to install, configure and use the product Snapshot Reports for 800xA, which is a system extension to the ABB 800xA system. The Snapshot Reports for 800xA contains all components needed to create a large variety of snapshot reports integrated with the 800xA system. The reports are available for all 800xA user categories.

Product Overview

The Snapshot Reports for 800xA product is a search engine for the 800xA system. It provides functionality (aspects) to configure Snapshot search templates towards the Aspect Object database. The searches can then be requested, through a Snapshot Report View aspect, as single reports or as a combined report including several search templates.

Snapshot Reports for 800xA has the following functions:

- To find information in the 800xA system such as:
  - AC800M Valves in area 15 that are closed and in manual mode.
  - I/O Modules with forced I/O signals available.
  - The values of MV, OP and SP present for all PID objects.
  - Types of Valves in control systems that are in a closed position.
  - Drives currently using more than 200 kW.
  - Objects where the Operators Note has been changed/edited during the last 8 hours.
- Presents the search result in a list format.
- The list can be used as snapshot report for presentation.
The list can be used as a link to the 800xA objects by using the Object Context Menu function.

The list can be exported to Excel, then saved to a disk or be printed.

The following features exist:

- Create reports in table (grid) format useful for any type of reporting based on searches in the 800xA Aspect Object database. The searches allow users to combine search criterion of four main categories:
  - Name patterns of all types of aspect entities (Object name, Object Type name, Aspect name or Aspect Category name).
  - Criterion related to the properties of a specified **800xA Type** (Function block (AC800M), Object Type, Hardware Type, etc. or Aspect category)
  - Criterion related to a specified object position in a specified 800xA structure.
  - And or Or functionality based on the chosen properties combined with criteria (=, !=, <, >, or Blank).

- Information presented can be freely configured from the relevant properties of the selected Object Type, Function Block, and Aspect Category.

- Property column can be summarized.

- Report information can be sorted based on selected column.

- Several report templates can be combined into a report collection.

- Execution of a report and presenting it as a list consisting of one to many reports.

- Exported to Excel for further actions.

To create an Excel sheet, using a pre configured report requires two mouse clicks.
Requirements

The following software must be installed before using the Snapshot Reports for 800xA software:

- System 800xA.
- 800xA Snapshot license (loaded in the 800xA System licensing server).
- Microsoft Excel (Optional).

Prerequisites

An 800xA system must have been created and started. Refer to ABB 800xA Installation manuals and User guides for all information regarding the 800xA product.

To fully utilize Snapshot Report functionality Microsoft Office (Excel) needs to be installed. If not, attempts to export to Excel will result in an error message.
Section 2  Installation

A Snapshot Report for 800xA license should be added to the 800xA license system. For more information about License handling, refer to *System 800xA Licensing Information (2PAA111691*)*. The Snapshot Reports for 800xA is installed using the **Configure System** task in the **System Configuration Console** (SCC).
Section 3  Configuration

There are several different ways to configure and use the Snapshot Reports for 800xA aspects. This section describes some of these possibilities and also gives you hints and examples of how and where to create your Snapshot aspects. Refer to System 800xA Configuration (3BDS011222*) before getting into the details in this section.

Before you start

Log in as an 800xA application engineer to be able to perform the tasks explained in this section.

Configuration Overview

This section will give you an overview of the Snapshot aspects regarding their relation, access rights, the intentional use and the search and configuration possibilities.

Snapshot Report aspects

The Snapshot search functionality is achieved by using two different aspects, the Snapshot ReportTemplate and the SnapshotReportViewer aspect.

The SnapshotReportTemplate:

• is created in dedicated Snapshot Folders in the 800xA Library structure.
• consists of a configuration part and a search part (Tabs in the aspect window).
• is used by the Application Engineer to configure search templates for dedicated objects or aspects within the 800xA system.
shall be saved with a name that is understandable and related to the performed search.

• can be used by one or several SnapshotReportView aspects.
• can be used by the Application Engineer to perform dedicated searches during runtime.

The **SnapshotReportViewer aspect**:

• can be placed in:
  – dedicated Snapshot Folders in the 800xA Library structure.
  – on object types in the 800xA Object Type structure, thus provide the Snapshot Report Viewer aspect to be inherited to each instance of this type.
  – on an object in any 800xA structure where the search actually are going to be used.
• consists of a configuration part and a search part.
• is configured by the Application Engineer.
• can be configured to search:
  – in a dedicated 800xA structure (For example, Control Structure, Functional Structure).
  – from the object where it is placed (that is from the object and below).
  – from a dedicated object in a suitable 800xA Structure.
• shall be saved with a name that is understandable and related to the performed search.
• can use one or several SnapshotReportTemplates in a single search or a combined search (using several templates).
• can be accessed by the Operator or Maintenance personnel from an 800xA process display through Aspect links, the Object Context Menu of objects including a SnapshotReportView aspect or through drop-down lists in the header of the workplace.
Snapshot Reports - Name convention

Define a naming convention for the Snapshot search templates and view aspects before adding and configuring Snapshot report templates and view aspects in 800xA system. When creating Snapshot Report Viewer aspects, a list of available templates, that is the names of the search template aspects will be shown. To navigate among these templates in an efficient way it is a recommended to have a dedicated naming convention.

The template aspects are sorted in alphabetic order so giving them a number as first character is a useful method. Also when creating an excel report based on a snapshot search, the name of the template or view aspect will be used as information in the created excel sheet. This information should give a good indication where and what the search was intended for.

Snapshot Reports - Structural overview

Before the user starts to add Snapshot aspects to the 800xA system the user must decide which structural strategy (Snapshot aspect placement) the user intends to use.

The Snapshot Report Template folder in the Library structure is created during the import of Snapshot Reports for 800xA and is the default folder for all Snapshot report templates. It might also be a good idea to create Snapshot template subfolders to differentiate template categories, depending on how many templates to be created and also the level of different control systems present in your 800xA system.

Following are examples of different template categories:

- AC800M templates category
  - AC800M Forced IO - Search templates for forced IO signals (one template for each AC800M I/O).
  - AC800M PID in Manual - Search templates for AC800M PID objects (one template for each type of PID object) that are set to Manual mode.

- 800xA template category
  - 800xA New Objects - Search templates to find objects created in the 800xA system during a number of different time spans for example 8, 24 and 40 hours.
– Operator Notes - Search templates for Operator Notes entered during a number of different time spans for example 2, 8 and 24 hours.

• AC400 template category
  – AC400 Process Section - Search template for the process section property.

The **Snapshot Report Viewer aspect** is used to create generic search views that searches through the complete 800xA system using one or several of the Snapshot Report templates. It is also possible to create search views that either combine a number of search templates in one search or runs one particular search and then gives the user the possibility to choose between other search templates.

Snapshot Report Views can be placed in the 800xA system in three different ways:

• In a dedicated folder in the library structure, for example in a Snapshot folder named Production Area X. In this case each individual Snapshot Report Viewer aspect must specify from where (Production Area X in the Functional structure) in 800xA the search shall be executed from.

• In the 800xA structure where they actually are going to be used. For example, All Snapshot Report Viewer aspects for Production Area X are placed in the **root object** of Production Area X in the Functional structure. In this case, the **Search from object** function will be used.

• On object types in the 800xA Object Type structure, thus provide the Snapshot Report Viewer aspect to be inherited to each instance of this type. This kind of placement shall only be made for very generic searches and on top level object types like network or controllers. Also in this case, the **Search from object** function will be used.

**Possible search criterion**

Snapshot Reports has multiple search criterion. There are many possibilities, especially, before starting to combine the different search criterion.
Name patterns

Select one of the following:

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<th>Name pattern</th>
<th>Search criterion</th>
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<tr>
<td>None (blank)</td>
<td>Empty text field - No limitations for the search</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Object name pattern</td>
<td>An 800xA object name pattern to search for. Use * to indicate if one or several characters can be ignored in the beginning and/or end of the name.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Object Type pattern</td>
<td>An Object Type name pattern to search for. Use * to indicate if one or several characters can be ignored in the beginning and/or end of the name.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aspect name pattern</td>
<td>An aspect name pattern including * to search for.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aspect category pattern</td>
<td>An aspect category name pattern including * to search for.</td>
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The name pattern search is a way to find a set of objects, function blocks or aspects fulfilling the name pattern. It is also a way to reduce the number of objects that fulfill other criterion.
# 800xA Types / Aspect Categories

Choose between the following types/categories:

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<th>Type search</th>
<th>Search criterion</th>
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<tr>
<td>None</td>
<td>No type criterion</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>800xA Type search</td>
<td>The properties of the selected 800xA type will be made available for configuration. The properties can be configured:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Based on the type object in 800xA, examples:</td>
<td>- For search conditions (&gt; , &lt; , = or !=).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Object Type.</td>
<td>- Either And or Or condition between the properties.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Function Block Type.</td>
<td>- For presentation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Hardware Type.</td>
<td>- To be summarized.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Controller Type.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aspect category searches</td>
<td>The properties of the selected aspect category together with the name aspect will be made available for configuration. The properties can be configured:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Based on the aspects in 800xA, examples:</td>
<td>- For search conditions (&gt; , &lt; , = or !=).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Operator Notes.</td>
<td>- Either And or Or condition between the properties.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Control Connection.</td>
<td>- For presentation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Hardware Unit.</td>
<td>- According to Aspect change date.</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>- To be summarized.</td>
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Structure and position

Refine the search by selecting a structure and position:

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<th>Structure/Position</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>All</td>
<td>No structural criterion. The Search will be made in all 800xA structures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Structure</td>
<td>Limit the search to objects included in a specified structure for example the Control Structure or the Functional Structure.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Downwards from current object in selected structure</td>
<td>Limit the search to objects included in a specified structure placed below the object, where aspect resides in.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Downwards from selected object and structure</td>
<td>Limit the search to objects included in a specified structure placed below a selected object.</td>
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OPC Group Subscription

The amount, time out and group update rate for the OPC Group used by Snapshot is configurable, and also adjustable depending on the performance of the data provider (800xA or OPC Servers such as AC 800M, AC 400, MOD 300 or any other OPC servers).

The Snapshot OPC Group request can be configured according to:

- **Number of properties per group** - Represents the number of properties Snapshot requests in each OPC Group, before evaluation and presentation in the Snapshot list view.

  Snapshot will keep on requesting groups until the whole scope of the search is processed.

- **Time out in ms per group** - Represents how long Snapshot waits for a valid response from 800xA.

  If no response is received within the setup time out, the Snapshot search is terminated.
- **Wait for Quality Good in ms** - Represents how long Snapshot will wait for OPC Quality Good values in each Group.

Snapshots will deliver the group result and proceed with the next OPC group when:
- All values in the present group have OPC Quality Good
- The time out setting for OPC Quality Good values has elapsed.

The configurable subscription parameters make it possible to adjust and tune the Snapshot search related to the performance of the expected data provider (for example OPC Servers like AC 800M, AC 400, MOD 300, and Freelance).

Configuring Snapshot searches in the most efficient way, requires good knowledge about the data provider (normally an OPC Server located on a Connectivity Server), the controllers, and the control network of the requested data.

1. When requesting internal 800xA data (such as Name, Description, and General Property data) or data from another OPC Server source having high data providing possibilities (large OPC cache, such as AC 800M), the number of properties in each group can be increased considerably (1000 to 5000 properties).

2. Request data that can impose a high load on the controller and/or the controller network, must be requested by using smaller groups (10 to 100 properties) and a longer time out for **Wait for OPC Quality Good**. This decreases the load on the controller and controller network and secures that all properties are delivered with OPC Quality Good.

3. Understand the performance of the data sources before configuring your Snapshot Reports.

**Snapshot Search Combinations**

The main task of Snapshot Reports is to search and present objects accomplishing certain conditions. Each row in the search result represents an object accomplishing the search criterion in the Snapshot Template.
The following are the different methods of search configuration in a Snapshot Template:

- **Name Pattern search** (Object name, Object type, Aspect name and Aspect type)
  This can be combined with **Type search** and **Aspect search** or can be used as a stand-alone search criteria.

- **Type search**
  This limits the search to find only one specific 800xA Type.

- **Aspect search**
  This looks for a specific aspect type.

- **Search where configuration**
  The search is done on all or specific structures, or in a specific location in the workplace.

**Object Name Pattern**

Specifies the name of an object in 800xA.

**Examples:**

- Using the Object name pattern *G56* will find and present all objects including G56 in the 800xA Object name.

- Using the Object name pattern *G56* combined with a **Type search of PID** will find and present all objects of type PID including G56 in the 800xA Object name.

- Using the Object name pattern *G56* combined with an **Aspect search of Log Configuration** will find and present all objects including Log Configuration and that has an object name including G56.
Object Type Pattern

Specifies the name of an object type in 800xA.

**Examples:**

- Using the Object type pattern *TDC_* will find and present all objects including TDC_ in the 800xA Object Type name.
- Using the Object Type pattern *TDC_* combined with a Type search of TDC_PID will find and present all objects of type TDC_PID.
- Using the Object Type pattern *TDC_* combined with an Aspect search of Log Configuration will find and present all objects which have TDC_ in the 800xA Type name including a Log Configuration aspect.

Aspect Name Pattern

Specifies the name of an aspect within an object.

**Examples:**

- Using the Aspect name pattern *5h5s* will find and present all objects including an aspect with 5h5s in the name.
- Using the Aspect name pattern *5h5s* combined with a Type search of TDC_PID will find and present all objects of type TDC_PID including an aspect with 5h5s in the name.
- Using the Aspect name pattern *5h5s* combined with an Aspect search of Log Configuration will find and present all objects including a Log Configuration and an aspect with 5h5s in the name.

Aspect Type Pattern

Specifies the name of an aspect type within an object.

**Examples:**

- Using the Aspect Type pattern *Log_* will find and present all objects including an aspect type with Log_ in the name.
- Using the Aspect Type pattern *Log_* combined with a **Type search of PID** will find and present all objects of type **PID** including an aspect type with **Log**_ in the name.

- Using the Aspect Type pattern *Log_* combined with an **Aspect search of Control Connection** will find and present all objects including a **Control Connection** and including an aspect with **Log**_ in the aspect type name.

**Considerations**

Aspect name, Aspect category, and Object type pattern searches should not be used in combination with the *From other object* search path criteria. This combination might result in a high load in the Aspect Directory service and a slow Snapshot search. When using the above mentioned name pattern searches, select the *In structure* alternative as the search path criteria.

**Create Snapshot Report folders**

This section describes how to create new Snapshot Report folders. Creation of new Snapshot folders can be of interest if you want to differentiate template categories or create dedicated Snapshot Report View folders for specific search areas. For further details on structural possibilities refer to **Snapshot Reports - Structural overview** on page 19.
To create a new Snapshot Folder, follow the steps below:

1. Browse to the 800xA structure and position where the user wants to create a new Snapshot folder. Right-click and select **New Object**.

![Figure 1. New object - Snapshot Report folder](image1.png)

2. Browse for the Snapshot Report folder object in *Industrial/ABB/ABB/Snapshot Reports*. Give the new Snapshot folder an appropriate name and click **Create**.

![Figure 2. Creation of a Snapshot Report template](image2.png)

3. A new Snapshot folder is now created and ready to be filled with new Snapshot templates or Snapshot Report Viewer aspects.

![Snapshot folder creation process](image3.png)
Create Snapshot Report templates

This section describes the steps required to create Snapshot Report templates and also provides examples on how the Snapshot Templates can be configured to narrow the search.

1. Right-click on the Snapshot Report template folder where a new template needs to be created and select New Aspect as shown in Figure 3.

![Figure 3. Create Snapshot Report template](image)

2. Browse to the SnapshotReportTemplate aspect, the Name field displayed in Figure 4 requires a unique and easily understandable name.

![Figure 4. Creation of a Snapshot Report template.](image)
3. Configure the new Snapshot Report template. As there are many possible
search combinations it is not possible to show how to configure them all.
Instead, a number of typical examples are listed below:

– Example 1: Forced AI820 I/O:s.
– Example 2: New Objects 24 hours.
– Example 3: PidSimpleReal in Manual
– Example 5: Operator notes last 8 hours.

It is possible to configure the structure, position or downward search attribute in
the Snapshot Report template, this structure and position setting will however be
overridden by the configuration settings in the Snapshot Report Viewer aspect if
the search is executed through the Snapshot Report Viewer aspect.

Example 1: Forced AI820 I/O:s

1. Double-click on the new Snapshot template aspect to view the configuration
view of the template.
2. Select the Type box, click on the **Browse** button to the right of the drop-down window. Browse for a Hardware type in the Object Type structure as shown in Figure 5 and Click **Ok**.

![Figure 5. Template configuration view](image)

3. In the Drop-down List, select the AI820 Hardware Type.
4. In the Properties window, select the Forced parameters, use the >> button to select the Forced parameters for presentation as shown in Figure 6.
5. The template is now configured and ready for a test search.

![Figure 7. Template ready for test search](image)
6. Select the Search tab and click on the Search button. Three AI820 I/O:s where found in the searched 800xA system. All Forced parameters indicating OPC quality Bad. If required, go back to the Config tab and narrow the search to the Control Structure in the Search Where configuration area. Save the template using the Apply button.

![Figure 8. Template Search](image)

Searching for forced AC800M I/O:s is also possible by using the aspect search and the Hardware Unit aspect. By using the Hardware Unit aspect, all AC800M I/O modules in the AC800M Library will be searched using the same Snapshot template.

**Example 2: New Objects 24 hours**

1. Create a Snapshot Report Template aspect called New Objects 24 hours.

2. Double-click on the new Snapshot template aspect to view the configuration view of the template.
3. Check the Aspect box, click on the browse button to the right of the drop down window. Browse for a Name aspect. Click OK.

Figure 9. Create New Object search
4. In the Properties window, select the Description and Unique parameters, use the >> button to select them for presentation. Set the Hours field to 24 in the Aspect updated during last function as shown in Figure 10.

*Figure 10. New Object 24 hours*
5. Make a test search for the report using the Search tab, to verify that it works. When verified, save it using Apply.

![New Object search](image)

*Figure 11. New Object search*

**Example 3: PidSimpleReal in Manual**

1. In the Snapshot template folder. Right-click on the folder and select New Aspect.

2. Create a new Snapshot Report Template and give the template a suitable name (PidSimple in Manual).

3. Double-click on the new Snapshot template aspect to view the configuration view of the template.
4. Check the Type box, click on the browse button to the right of the drop-down window. Browse for a Function block type in the Object Type structure. Click OK.

![Select function block type](image)

*Figure 12. Select function block type*
5. In the Drop-down List, select the PidSimpleReal function block type.

6. In the Properties window, select the INTERACTIONPAR:AUTOMODE parameter, use the >> button to select the mode property for presentation.

Figure 13. Select PidSimple template configuration
7. The template is now configured and ready for a test search. Select the Search tab and click the Search button.

![Screenshot of PidSimpleReal search result]

*Figure 14. PidSimpleReal search result*
8. After the test search go back to the Config tab and specify the search to only present PidSimpleReal objects in manual mode which are present in the control structure. Double-click in the Cond field as shown in Figure 15 and select =, also set true in the Value field. Specify the Control Structure in the Search where configuration area.

Figure 15. Narrow down the PidSimpleReal in Manual search
9. Go back to the Search tab and perform a new search.

![Figure 16. PidSimple in Manual mode, search result](image)

10. Click **Apply** to Save the template.

Searching for objects in manual mode is also possible by using the aspect search. The aspect search is effective when the 800xA types have the same type of parameter to indicate the same type of condition.

**Example 4: Flow Measurement.**

1. In the Snapshot template folder, Right-click on the folder and select **New Aspect**.
2. Create a new Snapshot Report Template and specify the template a suitable name (Flow Measurement).
3. Double-click on the new Snapshot template aspect to view the configuration view of the template.
4. Select the Type box, click on the browse button to the right of the drop-down window. Browse for an (in this example) Object type in the Object Type structure. Click **OK**.

![Figure 17. Select Object type](image-url)
5. In the Drop-down List, select the Flow measurement object type (TDC ANINNIM in this example).

6. In the Properties window, select the PV parameter which holds the object value (Flow measurement value), use the >> button to select the PV property for presentation.

![BACnet Flow Measurement Configuration](image)

**Figure 18. Select PV parameter for presentation**
7. Perform a test search. Select the Search tab and click on the Search button.

![Figure 19. Flow Measurement search](image)
8. After the test search, go back to the Config tab and specify the search to only present objects with names starting with G82… (Flow Measurement objects in the example). Use the Name field and enter the text G82. Also summarize the total Flow Measurement by checking the Sum field on the PV property as shown in Figure 20. Narrow the search to Control Structure to avoid duplicate hits on the same object.

![Figure 20. Specify Flow Measurement search](image)
9. Perform a new Search based on the search criteria. Click **Apply** to Save the template.

![Flow Measurement Search Result](image)

**Figure 21. Search result Flow Measurement**

**Example 5: Operator notes last 8 hours**

1. Create a Snapshot Report Template aspect called Operator Notes Last 8 hours. Double-click on the new Snapshot template aspect to view the configuration view of the template.

2. Check the Aspect box, click on the browse button to the right of the drop-down window. Browse for an Operator Note aspect. Click **OK**.
3. Select the property HOLDSDATA and set up the condition $! = 0$. Set the Aspect updated during last function to 8 hours.

These conditions will present all 800xA objects including an Operator Note that contain data and have been changed during the last 8 hours. Clear the Show column, the list will then show a list of objects that fulfill the criteria.

Figure 22. Operator Note template
4. Perform a new Search for the purpose of testing. Click **Apply** to save the template.

5. Copy the 8 hour template and rename it to Operator Notes 24 hours. Open the config view and change the **Aspect to updated during last function** to 24 hours. Save the template. Reuse the templates until the time spans that are going to be used during runtime are covered.

**Create Snapshot Report Viewer aspects**

A couple of scenarios are described below:

- **Create a Snapshot Report consisting of one template.** (This example goes more into detail regarding the additional choices that the configuration view provides.)
- **Create a Snapshot Report consisting of a set of templates.**
- **Combine several report templates into a collection**

**Create a Snapshot Report consisting of one template**

1. Right-click on the object or Snapshot Report folder to create the aspect, select the `SnapshotReportViewerCategory` and provide a name to the new Snapshot Report Viewer aspect (in the example, CS Operator Notes, where CS stands for Control structure).

2. Right-click on the new aspect and select Config View.
3. Select one of the presented Snapshot Report templates as shown in Figure 23.

*Figure 23. Choose a template to include*
4. Based on the listed alternatives available select the criteria for search:
   – Use the template definition (Defined by template).
   – Search in All structures.
   – From current object (from the position where the View aspect is placed).
   – From another object in a selected structure.
   – From a dedicated structure (In structure).

![Figure 24. Structural additions to search](image)

5. Select or clear the **Execute Search when aspect is selected** check box depending on whether the report needs to be executed during opening or not.

6. Select how the Snapshot report viewer should visualize and manage usage of other templates as shown in **Figure 25**:

   – Do not show the template list - Gives no possibilities to execute other templates from this View aspect.
   – Show selected templates - Gives the user the possibility to select and execute all templates added to the **Selected list**.
   – Show all templates - Gives the user the possibility to select and execute all search templates.

![Figure 25. Showing other templates](image)
Create a Snapshot Report consisting of a set of templates

1. This example will extend the CS Operator Notes aspect with possibility to execute several templates from the same Snapshot Report View aspect. Right-click on the aspect and select Config View.

2. Select all templates created for Operator Note searches. The template at the very top of the selected ones will be executed when the aspect is accessed by an 800xA user.

3. Select the Control structure (overriding whatever structure and position configuration the individual templates may have). Select Show selected templates from the drop-down Show Templates as list, click Apply and exit the Config view.

It is also possible to clear the Execute Search when aspect is selected, this will allow the user to select among the pre-configured Snapshot Templates before the initial search is executed.
4. Select the CS Operator Note View aspect, the 2 hour search will be executed. The 800xA User will also have the possibility to extend the search regarding time through the Configured template drop-down list.

![Figure 27. Operator Note search](image)

**Combine several report templates into a collection**

1. Right-click on the object or Snapshot Report folder where the user wants to create a Snapshot Report Viewer aspect, select the SnapshotReportViewerCategory and provide a name to the new Snapshot Report aspect (In this example PID:s in Manual Mode).
2. Right-click on the new aspect and select Config View. Select all templates configured for PID:s in manual mode also select the Show Templates as a combined report. Click Apply and exit from the aspect. Users can bring up the report and study the result.

Figure 28. Configure report collection
3. In Figure 29 shows PID objects with manual mode in the Control Structure.

![Figure 29. PID:s in manual search](image)
Section 4  Working with Snapshot Reports

Executing

The Snapshot reports are easy to execute. Here are some examples:

- From the Plant Explorer Workplace:
  - Execute the search by a direct left-click on the SnapshotReportViewer aspect.

- From the Operator Workplace:
  - Right-click on an object (Graphic Element) which contains a configured SnapshotReportViewer aspect, use the object context menu to select the report aspect. The report will be executed in a separate window and the result presented as a grid.
  - Place a shortcut in the Application bar of the workplace for easy access to the report aspects. Click on the shortcut (use a suitable icon to find it) to start the report aspect.
  - Place an aspect link in process displays - click on the symbol for which the user needs to start the report aspect.

Once the report aspect is started it executes and presents the matching objects according to users configuration.

A Snapshot Report search will not be successful when the Aspect Server is down or is restarted, re-execute the Snapshot Report search when the Aspect Server is up and running.
Working with the Search result

The Snapshot search result (Grid information) can be organized and sorted in different ways. Users can:

- Sort the search result based on information in a particular column. Click on the column header for a particular property and the whole search result will be sorted according to the information in this column. This action is also possible for each template search in a combined report.
- Re-order columns by drag and drop by using a mouse.
- Hide or show columns through right-click on the Grid header row, select or deselect columns as shown in Figure 30.

Figure 30. Hide/show column rows

Working with Object Context menu

A useful function in Snapshot Reports for 800xA is the direct link from the search result to the actual object instance in the 800xA system.

Each object fulfilling the search criterion in a Snapshot search is presented on a separate row in the grid (search result). To view or access the aspects on an object, right-click on the row and the Object Context menu is presented. Choose the aspect to be opened, the aspect is then opened in a separate window.
In Figure 31 the object context menu is used to open a PID faceplate.

**Figure 31. Object Context menu**

### Exporting search result to Excel

After receiving the Snapshot search result save the search result in a report. This is done by selecting the **To Excel** button in the lower right corner of the Snapshot search result window.

The header of the Excel report will contain the name of Snapshot Report Viewer aspect and which Snapshot Report template that has been used to perform the search, the extension of the header text will include date and time of the performed search.

If the Snapshot Report Viewer aspect is configured as a combined report, only the name of the Snapshot Report Viewer aspect will be written in the Excel header.
Figure 32 shows a report of the PID s in Manual Mode search from previous sections.

![Figure 32. Exported to Excel]

The generated Excel sheet will not include the Object path information or columns that has been hidden in the Grid presentation.
Section 5  Maintenance

Backup and Restore routines

Snapshot Reports for 800xA is a standard 800xA implementation the general backup procedures described in *System 800xA, Administration and Security (3BSE037410*) can be used to backup the Snapshot Reports for 800xA aspects. It might also be required to backup the Excel export files.

Upgrade Snapshot Reports for 800xA

Snapshot Reports for 800xA is a standard 800xA system extension and handled according to normal 800xA update and upgrade routines.

Refer to *System 800xA 5.0 SP2, 5.1 to 6.0 Upgrade (2PAA111694*), System 800xA 4.1 to 6.0 Upgrade (2PAA111696*), or System 800xA 3.1 SP3 to 6.0 Upgrade (2PAA111697*) for more information.
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