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# TEKLA STRUCTURES SCIA ENGINEER LINK HELP

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# **1** Introduction

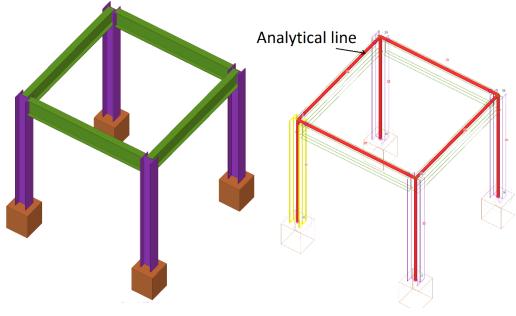
CADS Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer link is an application that transfers the structural model data from Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer and vice-versa, as part of the Building Information Modelling (BIM) process. Structures modelled in Tekla Structures can be exported to SCIA Engineer for analysis and design. As a roundtrip solution, the model can then be integrated back into Tekla Structure to update the model.

This guide aims to help you understand the basics of the bi-directional Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer link. Reading this guide will provide you with the knowledge needed to understand the link in detail.



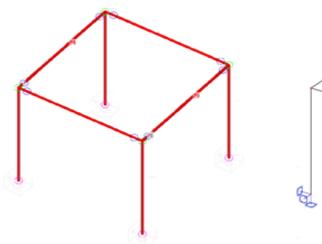
# 2 Creating a Tekla Structures Model

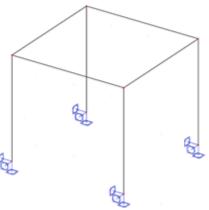
This section explains how the analytical model can be created in Tekla Structures and exported into SCIA Engineer. The CADS Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer link works with the analytical model rather than the structural (physical) model. After the structural model is created in Tekla Structures an analytical model, also known as the mathematical model or FEM model, can be generated as shown in the example below. CADS Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer Link transfers this analytical model from Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer.



Physical model in Tekla Structures

Analytical Model in Tekla Structures





Tekla Structures – Analytical model view

Exported Model in SCIA Engineer



The analytical model can be created from the 'A&D models' button on the ribbon under the Analysis & Design tab.

-		って					Tekla Structures - C:\TeklaStructuresModels\job\Help - [View 1 - 3d]
		Steel Concret	e Edit	View	Drawings & reports	Manage	Analysis & design
∎	h -		(+++)	Π	^	Rigid link	Part analysis properties
	∎? -	A&D models	Load groups	Load	Node 🕫		O Load properties 👻

#### Selecting "A&D models" will display the following dialog

🚝 Analysis & Design Models			– 🗆 ×
Analysis model name	Analysis applicati Creation met R., Part count Load Warning count	Create New Copy	1
		Properties	Delete
		Select objects	Display warnings
		Add selected objects	Remove selected objects
		Load co	mbinations
		Refresh	Rebuild
		Automatic refresh	
Analysis application interface			
Export Open application Close application			
Get results Get results for selected			<u>C</u> lose

#### Select New to create a new analytical model, which opens the following dialog

🚝 Analysis Model Properties			×		
Save Load Save as					
Analysis model Analysis Job Output	Seismic Seismic masses Modal analysis	Design - Steel Design - Concrete	Design - Timber		
Analysis model name:	Model 1	Browse for export folder			
Creation method:	Full model	~			
Filter	None	~			
Secondary member filter	Auto-detect secondary members				
Analysis application	Cads.Tek.Plugin				
More settings					
<u>O</u> K			Cancel Help		

Using the Creation method option, you can choose whether the full or only a selection of members needed to be added in the Analytical model.



🚝 Analysis Model Properties		×		
Save Load	✓ Save as			
Analysis model Analysis Job Output	Seismic Seismic masses Modal analysis Design - Steel Design - Concrete Desig	jn - Timber		
Analysis model name:	Model 1 Browse for export folder			
Creation method:	Full model			
Filter	Full model By selected parts and loads			
Secondary member filter	Floor model by selected parts and loads			
Analysis application	Cads.Tek.Plugin			
More settings				
<u>0</u> K	Ca	ancel Help		

Clicking on **OK** creates a new analytical model. Multiple analytical models can be created. The analytical properties of each parts can be viewed by selecting the part and clicking **Get analysis properties** option, which is under Analysis and Design Tab.

<b>#</b>	່າ ຕ						Tekla Structures - C:\TeklaStructuresModels\job\Help - [View 1 - 3d]
	Stee	I Concrete	Edit	View	Drawings & reports	Manage	Analysis & design
■ ►	•	<b>S</b>	(+++)	$\Box$	- <b>O</b> = ^^R	igid link	Part analysis properties
≡?	? <b>-</b> A	&D models	Load groups	Load	Node 🖉 M		O Load properties 🔹

Selecting "Get analysis properties" for a 1D member will display the following dialog



🚝 Beam Analysis Properties	s - Current properties		×			
Save Load standard Save as standard						
Analysis Start releases En	d releases Composite - Loa	ding Design Position Bar	attributes -			
Analysis member propertie	is					
Class	Beam	$\sim$				
Built-up section mode	Automatic	~				
🗹 Design group						
Automatic update	Yes - Physical model changes are co	nsidered 🧹				
<u>O</u> K <u>/</u>	<u>A</u> pply <u>M</u> odify	Get	Cancel			

This dialog is used to change the Start release, End releases and position of analytical line of the 1D members

# **2.1 Member End fixities**

Selecting the Start release tabs displays the below options where you can edit the fixities for the selected end of a member.

🐖 Column Ar	Column Analysis Properties - Current properties X					
Save Load	standard	Save as standard				
Analysis Star	t releases	End releases Composite - Loading Design Position Bar attributes -				
Releases						
Start:						
Support co	ndition	Supported V				
Rotation		Not rotated V Set rotation by current work plane				
Uz	<mark>∕ U</mark> x	Fixed ~ 0.00				
Uy	🗹 Uy	Fixed ~ 0.00				
, Án Úx	<mark>∕ U</mark> z	Fixed ~ 0.00				
Rz ‡_Ry	Rx Rx	Fixed ~ 0.00				
Rx	<mark>⊠ R</mark> y	Fixed V 0.00				
	<mark>∕ R</mark> z	Fixed V 0.00				
<u>О</u> К		Apply Modify Get P / C Cancel				



The Support condition option allows you to choose whether that particular end should be joined to another member or it should have a support.

Support condition	Supported	$\sim$
Detetion	Connected Supported	

If "Supported" is chosen, supports will automatically be created at the ends where fixities have been defined.

# **2.2 Support fixities**

The fixities of any support can be modified by changing the analytical properties of that particular node. By default, the supports option will be set to "Get supports from parts". If you want to change the support condition of that node "User defined node supports option" should be selected and the fixities are changed. This takes precedence when exporting to SCIA Engineer.

🐖 Analysis	🐖 Analysis node properties 🛛 🗙					
Save Load		∽ Save as				
Supports						
		User-defined node supports 🗸 🗸				
		Get supports from parts				
		User-defined node supports				
Rotation		Not rotated $\checkmark$ Set rotation by current work plane				
		Free \(\not\) 0.00				
Uz	<mark>∕ U</mark> x	0.00				
Uy	🗹 Uy	Fixed ~ 0.00				
, Ūx	🔽 Uz	Fixed V 0.00				
Rz						
Ry Ry	🗹 Rx	Fixed V 0.00				
Rx Rx	🗹 Ry	Fixed ~ 0.00				
	<mark>∕ R</mark> z	Fixed ~ 0.00				
<u>O</u> K	<u>A</u> pply	<u>M</u> odify <u>G</u> et <b>I</b> / □ Cancel				

The same behaviour applies to the End release option.



# **2.3 Positon of analytical member**

🚝 Column Analysis Propertie	es - Current properties X
Save Load standard	Save as standard
Analysis Start releases End	releases Composite - Loading Design Position Bar attributes -
🗹 Axis	Neutral axis 🗸
Keep axis position	Yes 🗸
Connectivity	Automatic 🗸
🗹 Axis modifier X	None ~ X: 0.00
Axis modifier Y	None ~ Y: 0.00
🗹 Axis modifier Z	None ~ Z: 0.00
✓ Offset	X: 0.00 Y: 0.00 Z: 0.00
🗹 Longitudinal offset mode	Offsets are not considered 🗸
<u>О</u> К <u>А</u> р	pply <u>M</u> odify <u>G</u> et <b>I</b> ∕ ☐ Cancel

The Position tab is used to define the location of the analytical line for a 1D member.

The analytical line for a particular analytical model can be also be overwritten by changing the Member axis location option available in the analytical model properties.



🚝 Analysis Model Properties		×
Save Load	Save as	
Analysis model Analysis Job Output	Seismic Seismic masses Modal analysis Design - Steel Design - Concrete Design - Timber	
Analysis model name:	Model 1 Browse for export folder	
Creation method:	Full model V	
Filter	None ~	
Secondary member filter	Auto-detect secondary members	
Analysis application	Cads.Tek.Plugin	
Less settings	]	
Use rigid links	Enabled ~	
Default keep axis for secondary members	No v	
Analysis model rules	Analysis model rules	
Curved beams	Use curved member v	
Consider twin profiles	Disabled ~	
Member axis location	Model default	
Member end release method by connection:	Neutral axis Reference axis (eccentricity by neutral axis) Reference axis	
Automatic update	Model default	
Model merging with analysis application	Disabled v	
<u>О</u> К	Cancel He	lp

#### Selecting "Get analysis properties" for a 2D member will display the following dialog.

🚝 Contour Plate Analysis P	roperties - Current properties		×
Save Load standard		Save as standard	
Analysis	- Spanning Loading Design	Position - Area attributes	
- Analysis member propertie	25		
Class	Contour plate - Shell	~	
☑ Built-up section mode ☑ Design group	Not part of built-up section		
🗹 Automatic update	Yes - Physical model changes are cor	isidered 🧹	
<u>о</u> к	<u>A</u> pply <u>M</u> odify	<u>G</u> et	Cancel

Similar to 1D members, the position tab can be used to change the position of analysis line for 2D members too.



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🚝 Contour Plate Analysis Pro	operties - Current properties X
Save Load standard	Save as standard
Analysis	- Spanning Loading Design Position - Area attributes
🗹 Axis	Bottom plane ~
Keep axis position	Yes 🗸
Connectivity	Automatic
Axis modifier X	None ~ X: 0.00
Axis modifier Y	None V: 0.00
Axis modifier Z	None v Z: 0.00
✓ Offset	X: 0.00 Y: 0.00 Z: 0.00
Longitudinal offset mode	Offsets are not considered $\checkmark$
<u>O</u> K <u>A</u> r	pply <u>M</u> odify <u>G</u> et <b>☑ / □</b> Cancel

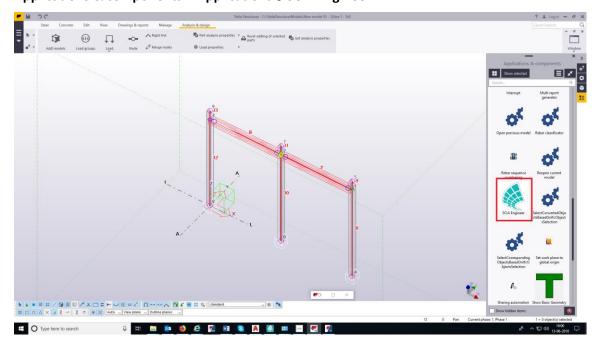
Once the analytical model is created. The model is then ready to be exported into SCIA Engineer.



# 3 Bi-directional Link – Tekla Structures and SCIA Engineer

CADS Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer link supports a bi-directional transfer between Tekla Structure and SCIA Engineer, however, it can be launched only from Tekla Structures.

CADS Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer link is available under: Applications & components → Applications → SCIA Engineer



Selecting "SCIA Engineer" will display the following dialog.

	Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer	×
National code	Export / Import	+
EC - EN 🗸	Ignore the following	
SCIA Engineer version	Walls	
18.1.2052.64 🗸 🕁	Slabs	
Mode of transfer	Member releases	
Direct exchange      File exchange	Supports	
Export items	Rigid arms	
Full model     Selected items	Deleted items	
Export as	Openings	
○ New project ● Update project	Export	+
Export to SCIA Engineer	Ignore the following	
Import from SCIA Engineer	Import	+
Mapping details	Ignore the following	
Materials Cross sections	End reactions	
inacchais Cross sections	Mappings	+
Parameters	Export as unknown	
CADS & SCIA	Close Help English Version	1.2.85.0



## 3.1.1 National code

The national code option specifies which National Code is to be used when the model is transferred to SCIA Engineer. The material mapping is dependent on the National Code and hence it is important to select the correct National Code. This option is valid only when the model is exported from Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer. It is not required when importing from SCIA Engineer back to Tekla Structures.

The following National Codes are supported in this version:

National code		
EC - EN	~	
BS		
EC - EN		

## 3.1.2 Mode of transfer

Mode of export

Direct exchange
 File exchange

This option works differently depending on the context in which it is used.

If the model is exported from Tekla Structures, the option "Mode of Export = Direct Exchange" launches SCIA Engineer and exports the model into it.

When importing from SCIA Engineer, the option "Direct Exchange" reads the active SCIA Engineer job and updates the current Tekla Structures model.

The file exchange option works with an intermediate file (\*.t2s or \*.s2t) which is used for data transfer. If the model is exported from Tekla Structures, the option "Mode of Export = File Exchange" writes the analytical model data as a Tekla - SCIA Engineer file (e.g. model.t2s) which can be opened/imported into SCIA Engineer using the command "Import  $\rightarrow$  Tekla File."

When importing from SCIA Engineer, the option "File Exchange" asks you to choose the SCIA Engineer-Tekla file (e.g. model.s2t) and when the file is selected it is updated to the current Tekla Structures model.

Note:

The File Exchange option does not require the full version of SCIA Engineer to be installed on the computer. It allows sending the file to others who have the full version of SCIA Engineer installed.

## **3.1.2.1** Export items

Export items

Full model

O Selected items



This option allows you to specify what to export from Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer: all or only selected members of the chosen analytical model. If you have more than one analytical model while exporting you will be asked to choose the model that you wish to export.

Analysis models	×
 tical models are found in this model. Please select the e exported from the list.	
Model 1 🗸	
Model 1	
SCIA Engineer Analysis Cance	1

# 3.1.3 Create/Update



This option allows the export of a model from Tekla Structures as a new project or to update an existing SCIA Engineer model.

If you select "New project", then the existing SCIA Engineer file with the same name (if it exists) in the folder is deleted and a new SCIA Engineer file is created (if it is not already opened in SCIA Engineer). If the file is already opened in SCIA Engineer, it cannot overwrite the file and a warning message will be displayed.

If you select "New project", then the "Export to SCIA Engineer" will update any existing SCIA Engineer file with the same name that is available in the folder. Otherwise, a new project is created.

## 3.1.4 Export / Import

Selecting "Export to SCIA Engineer" exports/updates the Tekla Structures model into SCIA Engineer. Selecting the "Import from SCIA Engineer" imports/updates the Tekla Structures model from SCIA Engineer.



Export and Import of material and cross sections between the applications are primarily based on mapping database as the standard cross section and material libraries in both **Tekla Structures** and **SCIA Engineer** are comprehensive but are labelled differently.



**CADS Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer link** is shipped with a pre-installed mapping databases for materials. You can review the database that is accessible by clicking the respective buttons under "Mapping Details"

Mappings



## 3.1.4.1 Materials

Selecting the "Materials" command displays a dialog where the "Database" list shows the available mapping databases. The General materials database lists the default mapping available in Tekla Structures.

			Materials.General	
Tekla Structures material	SCIA Engineer material	Material category	Materials.General	
C20	C16/20	Concrete	UserMaterialMapping	
C25	C20/25	Concrete	BS	
C25/30	C25/30	Concrete	BS	
C30	C25/30	Concrete	BS	
C40	C32/40	Concrete	BS	
C32/40	C32/40	Concrete	BS	
C45	C35/45	Concrete	BS	
C55	C45/55	Concrete	BS	
C40/50	C40/50	Concrete	BS	
C50	C40/50	Concrete	BS	
C60	C50/60	Concrete	BS	
C50/60	C50/60	Concrete	BS	
43	Grade 43	Steel	BS	
43A	Grade 43	Steel	BS	
43C	Grade 43	Steel	BS	
S355	S355	Steel	BS	
50	Grade 50	Steel	BS	
S275	S275	Steel	BS	

In the same way, the User material-mapping database lists the user-defined mapping available. This mapping will apply to all the jobs in that computer. The user table will be blank before any user mapping is done.



# Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer link Help

	Material ma	appings			×
			UserMate	rialMapping	~
Tekla Structures material	SCIA Engineer material	Material catego	ory	National code	
▶ C30	C25/30	Concrete		EC - EN	
	Delete Sav	ve Close			

## 3.1.4.2 Cross-section

For cross sections, only the user-defined section mapping will be displayed. This is computer specific, and it will be the same across all the jobs on the computer.

The user table will be blank before any user mapping is done.

		Cross section mappings	×
		UserSectionMapping	``
	SCIA Engineer section	Tekla Structures section	
۲	UB406/140/46	UB406*140*46	
	HD310/308	HI300-15-20*300	
	UC254/254/73	UC254*254*73	
		Delete Save Close	



## 3.1.4.3 Section parameters

In the case of section parameters, all the user-defined parameter mapping will be displayed. This is job specific, and it will be different for any other job. The user table will be blank before any mapping is done.

		Section parame	eter mapping				×
	SCIA Engineer	Tekla Structures	Profile shape	Section	n paramet	er mapping	
۲	Rectangle	h*b					
	Lshape	cll h*b*t	Lshape	H B th sh	h b t t	400 400 25 25	

# 3.1.5 Material mapping

Tekla Structures material mapping Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer Material type Material name Material type Material name Load all Export as unknown C30 Concrete C25/30 -Concrete Ŧ S275 S 275 Steel Steel Save Cancel Show all

Clicking Export to SCIA Engineer opens the Material mapping dialog

Mapping the Tekla Structures material with SCIA Engineer materials is primarily based on the material type and National Code. If all the parameters are satisfied, the application will automatically map the equivalent SCIA Engineer material. If one or more parameters do not match, the application will prompt you with an exclamation mark to map the equivalent materials through a unified user interface.



Te	kla Structures	SCIA Engineer				
Material type	Material name	Material type	Material name	Load all	Export as unknown	
Concrete	C30	Concrete	<u>.</u> -			
Steel	S275	Steel	S 275			

To make the mapping easier, the program will offer guidance by suggesting the equivalent materials. The list of suggested materials is made up of those materials that satisfies one or more criteria from which you can pick the desired material.

Tekl	la Structures	SCIA Engineer			
Material type	Material name	Material type	Material name	Load all	Export as unknown
Concrete	C30	Concrete	<u>*</u>		
iteel	S235JRG1	Steel	C25/30		
iteel	S275	Steel	S 275 🔹		

If you are not happy with the suggested list of materials, you have the option to load all materials of the selected National Code and then select the equivalent material to be mapped.

If the material type in Tekla Structures is **Concrete or Steel**, the application will - by default - set the appropriate category and you can then select the correct material from the standard list of materials that are available in SCIA Engineer for the selected National Code.

If the material type in Tekla Structures is "**Unknown**", the application will allow you to choose any Material type and the material in that category. Alternatively, you can export the material as "Unknown".

Tel	kla Structures	SCIA Engineer				
Material type	Material name	Material type	Material name		Load all	Export as unknown
Unknown	Elastic putty	<u>*</u>	4	•	$\checkmark$	
Concrete	C30	Concrete	C25/30	•		
Steel	S275	Steel	S 275	•		

The materials that are mapped by you will be added into the user table, and will be available for subsequent export without your intervention.



Material mappings								
			UserMater	ialMapping	~			
Tekla Structures material	SCIA Engineer material	Material catego	ry	National code				
C30	C25/30	Concrete		EC - EN				

A similar approach is adopted while importing the model from SCIA Engineer to Tekla Structures. You can map the materials from the unified user-interface by selecting the appropriate database and name in Tekla Structures.

SCIA Engineer material mapping										
SCIA I	ngineer		Tekla Structures							
Material type Material name		Material type	Material name		Load all					
Concrete	C25/30	Concrete	C25/30	-						
Steel	S 275	Steel	S275	•						
Show all		Save Cancel								
✓ Show all		Save Cancel								

Export as unknown option available in the UI makes the export option easier when a suitable material is not found for the majority of the members, but the export is needed without any prompts for mapping.

Mappings	+
Export as unknown	
Show mapping dialog	

If 'Export as Unknown' is checked, the program will not prompt you for mapping a material whenever a material is not found in the mapping database.

If 'Show mapping dialog' is checked, the program will show the mapping dialog during export/import even if all the material/sections is found in the mapping database for us to verify.

## 3.1.5.1 Section mapping

Once the material mapping is done for standard steel rolled sections, the section mapping between Tekla Structures and SCIA Engineer sections is done using the Mapping tables. For Concrete and general sections, the mapping is done using section parameter mapping.

The standard steel rolled sections will be automatically mapped without your intervention. To make your mapping easier, the program will suggest the equivalent SCIA Engineer section, by reading the Tekla Structures section name. The suggested sections will be shown in the Section list.



Tekla Structures Section name Material type Profile shape		Section name	T	SCIA Engineer Load all	Export as Numerical	Export as General				
UC254*254*73	Steel	I Section ·	-	UC254/254/73 ·						
UB406*140*46	Steel	I Section	•	UB406/140/46 -						
Show all				Save Cancel						

If you are not satisfied with the suggested list, you have an option to load all the databases and their respective section types and sections, by using the "Load all" option and make an appropriate selection.

	Tekla Structures section mapping ×										
Tekla			SCIA Engineer								
Section name	Material type	Profile shape		Section name		Load all	Export as Numerical	Export as General			
JUMBO356*406*677	Steel	I Section	•	<u>_</u>	-	$\checkmark$					
UB406*140*46	Steel	I Section	*	HD100/15	^						
UC254*254*73	Steel	I Section	Ŧ	HD100/20 HD100/24							
				HD130/20							
✓ Show all				HD130/24 HD130/28							
				HD130/33							

Non-standard steel sections, Paired sections, Haunch sections, Light steel sections, Welded sections and the rolled sections are not supported by this version of CADS Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer Link. They have to be mapped manually by selecting the equivalent standard sections from the database. Alternatively, they can be exported as "General Sections" or "Numerical Sections".

Tekla Structures section mapping ×									
Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer									
Section name	Material type	Profile shape	Section name	Load all	Export as Numerical	Export as General			
JUMBO356*406*677	Steel	<u>^</u>	•	•					
UB406*140*46	Steel	I Section	UB406/140/46	-					
UC254*254*73	Steel	I Section	UC254/254/73	-					
Show all			Save Cancel						

# 3.1.5.2 Parameter mapping

Concrete sections are mapped by mapping the Tekla Structures parameters with SCIA Engineer dimensional properties. The list of supported shapes of cross sections from Concrete are

- Oval
- Rectangle
- L shape
- Inverted L shape
- T shape



- Circle
- I shape
- U shape
- C shape
- Z shape
- O shape
- X shape
- Polygon

The Parameter mapping dialog will be shown at the time of export and the parameters can be mapped by clicking the **section name** with the exclamation mark.

	Tekla Structures section mapping									
Tekla S	tructures		SCIA Engineer							
Section name	Material type	Profile shape	Section name	Load all	Export as Numerical	Export as General				
11900*400*200-100-300*20	0 Concrete	l shape 👻	4 Concrete Ishape	$\checkmark$						
Show all			Save Cancel							

SCIA Engineer parameter	Tekla Structures paramet	ter	Parameter value (mm)	
н	h	•	900	Bh "
Bh	b1	•	400	
Bs	b2	•	300	_ <sup>≠</sup>
ts	t1	•	200	
th	t2	•	200	
s	s	•	100	+1,

Once the parameters are mapped, the sections will be added into the unified user-interface dialog in the Section mapping. The mapped parameters can be reviewed by clicking the Section name button.



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Tekla Structures section mapping ×									
Tekla St	Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer								
Section name	Material type	Profile shape	Section name	Load all	Export as Numerical	Export as General			
II900*400*200-100-300*200 Concrete		l shape 👻	Concrete Ishape	$\checkmark$					
Show all			Save Cancel						

All the mapped sections will be added into the user table, which will be available for subsequent export without your intervention. Please note that the section parameter mapping is stored along with the individual job and hence it will not be available for other Tekla Structures job.

Section parameter mapping									
	SCIA Engineer	Tekla Structures	Profile shape	Section	n paramet	er mapping			
Þ	Rectangle	h*b							
	Lshape	cll h*b*t	Lshape	H B th sh	h b t t	400 400 25 25			
				sn	t	23			
		Delete Sav	ve Close						

The approach is very similar while importing/updating the model from SCIA Engineer to Tekla Structures. You can map the sections from SCIA Engineer in the unified user-interface by selecting the appropriate database in Tekla Structure.



# 3.1.5.3 Export/Import options

These options allow you to ignore certain items so they are not exported from Tekla Structures, or imported from SCIA Engineer.

Export / Import	+
Ignore the following	
Walls	
Slabs	
Member releases	
Supports	
Rigid arms	
Deleted items	
Openings	
Export	+
Ignore the following	
Unmodified items	
Import	+
Ignore the following	
✓ End reactions	

- If the "Walls" option is checked, structural walls are not considered for both export and import.
- If the "Slabs" option is checked, structural slabs are not considered for both export and import.
- If the "Member Releases" is checked, member end releases slabs are not considered for both export and import.
- If the "Support" option is checked, the support fixities are not considered for both export and import.
- If the "Rigid arms" option is checked, the rigid links are not considered for both export and import.
- If the "Deleted items" is checked, while updating the model if any member information is missing while export/import, those members will not be deleted. This will required when only selected members are exported/imported.
- If the "Openings" option is checked, the openings on 2D members are not considered for both export and import.
- If the "Unmodified items" is checked, while updating the model from Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer the unmodified items in Tekla Structures are not exported.
- If the "End reactions" is un-checked, while importing the model from SCIA Engineer end reactions for the 1D members will be imported for the selected load case/combination/result class. Once you un-check the "End reactions" option you will need to choose the type of (load case/load combination/result class) and Combination (All ULS,...) for which the end reactions are to be imported.



SCIA Engineer e	SCIA Engineer end reactions							
Result case								
Type of load	Combinations	*						
Combination	ULS-Set B (auto)	•						
ОК	Cancel							

## **3.1.5.4** Log files

On completion of the export/import routine, the Log dialog shows a summary of the number of items exported. A log file will be saved automatically in the job location in folder ..\SCIA Engineer\Reports. It can be opened in a browser any time to review the transfer.

Entity	Exported	Failed	Ignored	Chamfer settings are not supported. So the member S92651525
MemberHinge	126	0	(	(92651525) will be exported with default settings.
Beam	63	0	(	
lab	27	0	(	contour. So exporting it with its contour points instead of analysis area positions.
Column	27	0	(	Slab S92651525 created for Tekla Structures member 92651525
Node	275	0	(	Hinge H-3 created for member 93654804
otal	518	0	(	Hinge H-3 created for member 93654804
				B92651396 created for Tekla Structures member 92651396
				Hinge H-4 created for member 93654822
				Hinge H-4 created for member 93654822
				B92651371 created for Tekla Structures member 92651371
				B92614537 created for Tekla Structures member 92614537
				Hinge H-5 created for member 93654857
				Hinge H-5 created for member 93654857
				B92183525 created for Tekla Structures member 92183525
				B92182747 created for Tekla Structures member 92182747
				Hinge H-6 created for member 93654885
				Hinge H-6 created for member 93654885
				B92182374 created for Tekla Structures member 92182374
				B92174547 created for Tekla Structures member 92174547
				Tekla member 'Grid' ignored as it is not supported for export.
				B93340296 created for Tekla Structures member 93340296
				Hinge H-7 created for member 93654927

The *Log* file itemises each element that has been transferred between **Tekla Structures** and **SCIA Engineer**. It details the section / material and its mapping. Any elements that have not been successfully transferred are shown in red. At the end of the transfer of the model from **Tekla Structures** to **SCIA Engineer** and vice versa.



# **4** Release Notes

Thank you for upgrading to the latest version of CADS Tekla Structures SCIA Engineer link.

These release notes summarise the enhancements and corrections made.

The versions supported for the current release are:

Tekla Structures 2018i, 2019         SCIA Engineer 18.1, 19.0, 19.1
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### Version 1.3 (Build 92): August 2019

#### **Enhancements**

1. Support of openings in 2D members.

#### Version 1.2 (Build 82): April 2019

#### **Enhancements**

1. Support for Tekla Structures 2018i and 2019.

#### Version 1.1 (Build 68): August 2018

#### **Corrections made**

- 1. End reactions were not exported for concrete members. This has now been fixed;
- 2. Non-analytical members were removed during update of members from SCIA Engineer to Tekla Structures. This has now been fixed;

#### Version 1.0 (Build 66): June 2018

#### **Enhancements**

1. Support for Tekla Structures 2017i and 2018.

#### Version 1.0 (Build 62): May 2018

1. First release of Tekla Structures - SCIA Engineer link.

#### **Program features**

- 1. Transfer of 1D and 2D members;
- 2. Transfer of supports;
- 3. Transfer of rigid links;
- 4. Transfer of releases/hinges on 1D members.
- 5. Transfer of rotation, eccentricity and alignment of 1D members;



- 6. Transfer of data can be done directly or using file exchange between Tekla Structures and SCIA Engineer.
- 7. Import of end reactions for a selected load case/combination/result class from SCIA Engineer to Tekla structures.
- 8. Export/update of only selected members from Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer;
- 9. Automatic mapping of cross section and material for standard sections/materials;
- 10. Cross section can be exported as numerical sections or general sections during export from Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer.
- 11. Materials can be exported as unknown material from Tekla Structures to SCIA Engineer.
- 12. Option to ignore walls, slabs, supports, rigid links and member releases during transfer;
- 13. Log of all the exported, skipped and failed members will be displayed and saved after data transfer.

#### Limitations

- 1. Curved members are not supported in this version;
- 2. Tapered members are not supported in this version;
- 3. Openings are not supported in this version;
- 4. Footings are not supported in this version;
- 5. Loads and Load combinations are not supported in this version;
- 6. Analysis results are not supported in this version;
- If the Reference Line and the Analytical line are different in Tekla Structures, the Reference line details will not be retained when there is a round trip originating in Tekla Structures. Only the Analytical line details will be retained;
- 8. If the analytical line in Tekla structures is located at the Centre of the cross section, it will be exported to SCIA Engineer to the neutral axis position.



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