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Cross-references
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ZENON VIDEO-TUTORIALS

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2. Cross-references

Cross-references gives an overview which modules and functions are linked how. zenon provides two instruments for this:

- Cross-reference list (on page 5): displays links in the project tabular. The cross-reference list always relates to the project that is currently active.
- Project analysis (on page 14): analyzes the use of functions and variables and finds not used functions or variables
3. Cross-reference list

The cross-reference list creates a project overview in table form for the project that is currently active. All relationships between variables, functions, screens, recipes etc. are displayed for documentation and traceability. For example, it is possible to see which variables are used in what screens in the Cross Reference List.

3.1 General

To display the cross-reference list (CRL), click, in the View menu, on the Cross-reference list entry. The cross-reference list is opened.

In order to get information about a certain module, simply expand the corresponding node. The following are available:
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Module</th>
<th>Elements that can be displayed</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Historian</strong></td>
<td>Functions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Variables</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Screens</strong></td>
<td>Elements</td>
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<td>Menus</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Symbols: There are three different symbol libraries available in zenon. For details, see the symbol library (on page 8) chapter.</td>
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<td>Variables</td>
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<td>Screens</td>
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<td><strong>Extended Trend</strong></td>
<td>Functions</td>
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<td>Historian</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Automatic function call</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Screens</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Bitmap button</td>
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<td>Button</td>
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<td>Menus</td>
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<td>PFS</td>
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<td>Reaction matrix</td>
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<td>Scripts</td>
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<td>Invisible button</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Variable limit values</td>
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<td>Time Control</td>
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<td><strong>Menus</strong></td>
<td>Screens</td>
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<td>Functions</td>
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<td>Variables</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Recipegroup Manager</strong></td>
<td>Recipegroups</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Variables</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>SAP Interface</strong></td>
<td>Functions</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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Variables

Scripts

Functions

Standard Recipes

Variables

Symbols

Screens

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Variables

Historian

Screens

Elements

Extended Trend

Mathematics

Menus

PFS

Reaction matrix

Recipegroup Manager

Standard Recipes

Allocations

Time Control

Functions

Allocations

Variables

After a click on one of the supported objects information about it is displayed in the list on the right part of the window.
Information about the selected topic is displayed in the list area. The contents can be sorted and filtered.

- **Sorting:** Clicking on the column header sorts the column; a second click reverses the sorting.
- **Filter:** Enter the search criteria in the filter box in the column header. Several filters can be linked into a chain.
  To remove the filter: Delete the content of the filter box.

### 3.1.1 Symbol libraries

Note when using symbol libraries that zenon distinguishes between three different symbol libraries:
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Symbol Library</th>
<th>Property</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>General symbol library</strong></td>
<td>Symbols are available in all projects. The <em>general symbol library</em> node is located in the project manager below the currently-loaded projects. Label when linking in the screen: <code>[symbol group]/[symbol name]</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Rules:</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td> The dialog for selecting variables offers all projects of the workspace for linking.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td> These symbols are saved in the <em>zenon</em> program folder and only updated when the Editor starts. These symbols are not saved during project backup.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td> Interlockings and aliases for ALC cannot be configured. <strong>Attention:</strong> If symbols that contain interlockings or aliases are added, these settings are removed.</td>
<td></td>
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</table>

| **Symbol Library in the global project** | Symbols are available for all projects of the workspace. Label when linking in the screen: *Global project_[Symbol name]* |
| **Rules:** |                                                                          |
|  The symbols copied into the symbol library of the global project retain their variable linking without changes. |
|  The variable dialog offers all projects of the workspace for linking. Linked variables are placed in front of the name of the respective project. |
|  The name of the *Variable* can be amended in the properties window. This way, for example, the prefix can be deleted with the project origin. |
|  The symbols are also backed up when a project is backed up. |
|  Interlockings and aliases for ALC cannot be configured. **Attention:** If symbols that contain interlockings or aliases are added, these settings are removed. |

| **Symbol library in the project** | Symbols are only available in the current project. Label when linking in the screen: *[Symbol name]* |
| **Rules:** |                                                                          |
|  The symbols are saved in the project folder. The project symbol library is in the current project in the *Screens* node and is backed up together with project backup. |
|  Interlockings and aliases for ALC can be configured. These properties are also retained when symbols are added. |

**COPYING OF SYMBOLS BETWEEN LIBRARIES**

Symbols can be copied with **Drag&Drop**. For this, the following applies:

- Only symbols of the first level of the tree can be copied.
Groups and folders cannot be copied.

If there are already names of symbols in the target library, the added symbols are automatically renamed.
Renaming is carried out by adding an underscore and an ordinal number, for example: Calibrator_1.

Copying between libraries is only possible to a limited extent.

Overview of copying between symbol libraries using **Drag&Drop**:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Copying using Drag&amp;Drop possible</th>
<th>General symbol library</th>
<th>Symbol library in the global project</th>
<th>Symbol library in the project</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>General symbol library</td>
<td>--</td>
<td>+</td>
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<td>Symbol library in the global project</td>
<td>--</td>
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</table>

**Key:**
- +: copying possible
- --: copying not possible

### 3.2 The context menu

The cross-reference list provides a range of functionality:

- **Print list** (on page 11): Prints the list area of the Cross Reference List containing selected information.
- **Search for list element**: (on page 12) Opens a dialog to search for a certain element.
- **Function calls** (on page 12): Opens a dialog with a list of the defined functions.
- **Variable use** (on page 13): Opens a dialog with a list of the defined variables.
- **Unused variables**: (on page 13) Displays all unused variables in the list area.
- **Unused functions**: (on page 13) Displays all unused functions in the list area.
- **Unused fonts**: (on page 13) Displays all unused fonts in the list area.
- **Texts used in screens**: Shows texts used in screens.
- **Select list elements** (on page 14): Opens a dialogbox for the selection of one or more listed elements.
- **Help**: Opens online help.
- **Delete**: Deletes unused elements (variables, functions and fonts).
  Is only displayed if there are deletable elements

To execute one of the functions:
1. Set the focus to the list window
2. carry out a right click
3. Select the desired command from the context menu

3.2.1 **Print list**

Selecting the **Print list** command from the context menu opens the standard dialog to select a printer and the options for print-out.
### 3.2.2 Search for list element

Selection of the **Search for list element** command from the context menu opens the following dialog:

![Search dialog](image)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Search for</strong></td>
<td>Entry of a character sequence.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| **OK** | Applies search parameters and closes the dialog. The first thing that is found in the list that corresponds to the search term is displayed. A match from the first character onwards is looked for.  
Example: Element name: A search for W finds **Wizard_10**. A search for Z does not find the element. |
| **Cancel** | Discards all changes and closes the dialog. |
| **Help** | Opens online help. |

### 3.2.3 Function calls

Selecting the command **Function calls** from the context menu opens the following dialogbox, in which all defined functions of the current project are listed:

![Defined functions](image)
An element can be selected. Clicking on **OK** displays the element with all its uses in the cross-reference list.

### 3.2.4 Variable use

Selection of the **Variable use** command from the context menu opens the dialog that contains all used variables.

![Defined variables dialog](image)

An element can be selected. Clicking on **OK** displays the element with all its uses in the cross-reference list.

### 3.2.5 Unused variables / functions / fonts

If elements that are not currently used in the project are shown, the context menu gets an additional **Delete** menu entry. Selected elements can thus be deleted from the list. This is possible for variables, functions and fonts.

⚠️ **Attention**

*The display of objects that are not used relates to internal relationships. The use in symbols, via the programming interface in the **Process Gateway**, in zenon Logic or other external components is not taken into account.*

*Always check other possible uses before deleting and create a backup copy!*

**Note:** Variables and functions that are not used can also be listed and administered using the project analysis (on page 14).
3.2.6   Select list elements

Selection of the **Select list elements** command from the context menu opens the dialog to search in the list.

![Select list elements dialog](image)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>from - to</td>
<td><strong>Active</strong>: A search for elements with certain letters at the start is carried out. Selection of the range of starting letter in the alphabet from drop-down lists:</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
|                        |   - from: first letter of the range  
|                        |   - to: last letter of the range  
|                        | All elements that have their first letter in the defined range are found. The search direction is always A->Z.                                  |
| All elements beginning with ... | **Active**: A search for elements that start with a certain character sequence is made.                                                        |
| OK                     | Applies search rules, closes the dialog and highlights the elements found in the list.                                                        |
| Cancel                 | Discards all changes and closes the dialog.                                                                                                 |
| Help                   | Opens online help.                                                                                                                           |

### 4. Project analysis

The project analysis analyzes the use of elements in a project.

At this:

- the link with other elements can be analyzed
- you can search for unused elements

Currently the project analysis is available for:
Functions
- Scripts
- Variables

ANALYZE THE USE OF AN ELEMENT

To analyze an element:

1. Highlight the desired variable, function or the corresponding script in the detail view.
2. In the context menu, select the **Variable use**, **Function use** or **script use** command.

   The result list (on page 16) is displayed in an own window.

3. Via the context menu you can jump to an element

FIND NOT USED ELEMENTS

To find the not used elements:

1. Highlight the **Variable** or **Functions** node or the **Scripts** subnode in the project tree. **Note:** You can find the **Scripts** subnode in the **Functions** node.
2. In the context menu, select the **Display unused functions**, **Display unused variables** or **Display unused scripts** command
The result list (on page 16) is displayed in an own window

![Project analysis window](image)

3. It is possible to jump to an element directly using the context menu. A selected element can also be deleted using the context menu.

⚠️ **Attention**

*The following elements cannot be found by the project analysis:*

- Variables which are only used in VBA or VSTA
- Variables which are used in screens of type Report Generator (report function)

*Before you delete elements you must check whether variables which should be deleted are used in VBA/VSTA or in report functions.*

4.1 **Result list**

The results of the single analysis processes are displayed in a list in an own window in the project analysis. This window opens - if it is not active yet - automatically after the analysis process. The results can be used in two ways:

- Analyse use in the project: jump to linked element
- find not used elements: jump to displayed element or delete displayed element
ANALYSIS ELEMENT USE

The project analysis displays its result in a list.

It contains:

- The project name
- the module
- the name of the linked elements

To jump to a displayed element:

1. highlight the element
2. select menu item **Jump to linked element** from the context menu
3. the linked element is highlighted in the detail view of its module node
FIND NOT USED ELEMENTS

The search for unused elements returns its results in a list.

It contains:
- The project name
- the module
- the name of the unused elements

JUMP TO ELEMENT

To jump to a displayed element:
1. highlight the element
2. select menu item **Jump to linked element** from the context menu
3. the linked element is highlighted in the detail view of its module node

DELETE ELEMENTS

To delete one or more elements:
1. highlight the desired elements (multiple selection is possible)
2. in the context menu select the command **Delete selected elements**
3. the elements are deleted from the project after a confirmation message