

Tip of the Month

Controlling Session Size – Part II

Our June *Tip of the Month* introduced some ways to control your ACE session size. This month, we'll highlight another option for reducing your session size.

Custom Cumulative Distribution Functions (CDFs) provide a mechanism to create a user defined uncertainty distribution for a row. Custom CDFs can be defined using 2 to 1,001 different percentile/factor pairs. Custom CDFs created from RI\$K results on a row in the session use 1,001 data points to define the distribution. This is also the case for RI\$K results imported using the ACE-to-ACE plug-in. Having a lot of custom CDFs in the session increases session size. One way to reduce session size is by ensuring that any custom CDFs in the session are actually being utilized. If you delete a row in the session. The **Custom RI\$K CDF Specifications** dialog (accessible from the Construction ribbon) lets you see all custom CDFs in the session. If the column entitled "Rows Referencing CDF" is blank, that CDF is stored in the session but is not being used anywhere. Deleting these unused CDFs will decrease session size.

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Name	Origin	Last Updated	Rows Referencing CDF
O85\$Point_Estimate	(no reference)	02/20/2011 9:21:45 PM	
Proc\$Point_Estimate	(no reference)	02/20/2011 9:21:45 PM	
RDT&E\$Point_Estimate	(no reference)	02/20/2011 9:21:45 PM	
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When importing rows and their RI\$K distributions using the **ACE-to-ACE plug-in**, you can specify how many data points to import for each CDF. By default, 1001 points are imported for each row that includes a distribution, but this can be changed by selecting **Tools > Options** from the plug-in and changing the number of CDF points.

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File Tools Help	
ACE File: C:\Users\gfennell\Documents\ACEIT Data\Sessions\03 - Basic RI\$K.aces	
Case: Point Estimate	
WBS Elements Plug-in Options Plug-in Options Insert Imported Rows At end of session At current position I2: Air V I3: Buy RISK CDF Points 1001 I01 I01 I01 I01 I01 I01 I01 I01 I0	
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ACEIT Brown Bags offer remote training for a specific topic. The training typically runs 1 to 2 hours and is presented by a certified ACEIT trainer. Below is a list of a few popular Brown Bags that are available. Contact <u>ACEIT Training</u> for more information.

Brown Bag Training

ACEIT What-if Capability (with RI\$K) - Advanced what-if scenarios and approaches for implementing schedule risk

Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) Metrics in ACE - Using ACE to Calculate/model common metrics used in CBAs

CO\$TAT Distribution Finder - The CO\$TAT Distribution Finder explained - settings, results, and real applications

Custom Inflation/Escalation and Reportable BY - Creating custom escalation indices and the ACE Reportable BY and Implied Expenditure reports

Exploring ACE RI\$K Phasing Features – Allocating RI\$K dollars to years, explaining, prorate, front-load, back-load, and stretch loading

How to Develop a RI\$K Distribution based on Probability Level Statistics (Custom CDF) - Creating and using custom RI\$K CDFs in ACE

Incorporating Budget into your ACE Session - Estimate and budget reports, budget what-if drills, and understanding estimate drivers

See the ACEIT website for the complete Brown Bag listing

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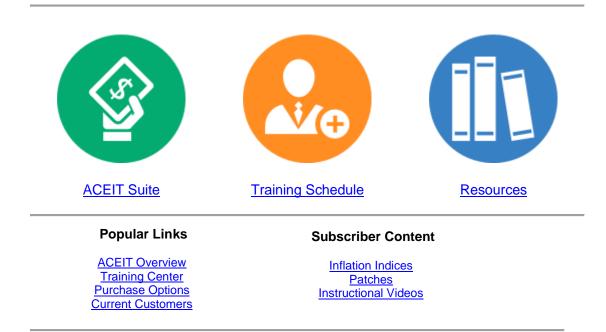
ACEIT Mechanics Training

Need 1-on-1 assistance with Using ACEIT Applications? (Onsite or Remote)

Mechanics training provides a one-on-one training environment on ACEIT features/techniques to directly solve your specific problems. Through this offering we can provide hands-on training to first-time users in implementing an ACE cost model; help convert Excel (or other) models to ACE; provide guidance on cost model enhancement; and provide advanced training on key tools and concepts like ACDB, CO\$TAT, POST, JACS and model automation using functions.

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