Solidworks Licensing Protocol

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Summary

If you are reading this document, it is assumed that you are having licensing issues with the program, be it that it cannot call out to the server you specified, or you simply wish to change servers. The following document was designed with you in mind, showing you simply and effectively how to specify a new target license server for Solidworks.

Instructions

First, please be sure that you have Solidworks installed on your computer already. If you do not have Solidworks installed on your computer, please refer to the Solidworks installation protocol that should be present with this document before continuing with the following procedure.

1. To modify a targeted license server, we must first open the Solidnetwork License Manager 2015 application that is present in the installation directory. This is located in a separate folder under the main Solidworks 2015 folder present in your computer’s “all programs” list, which is accessible through the computers start menu.

2. After you select and open the application, you will reach a screen with several tabs on the top. At this screen, please select the Server List tab, and proceed with the next step of this procedure.
3. On the server list screen, there will be a white box in the middle of the window. This box represents the list of license servers Solidworks is presently calling to in order to validate itself. If you have no servers currently listed in this window, proceed to step four. Otherwise, select the name of the server you wish to get rid of, and click remove.

4. When you are ready to add a new server, click the Add... button, and specify the server location given to you by your administrator. This server will have the format (portnumber@servername). Input the target server into the field and be sure there are no typos. Once this step is complete, you may click OK in the bottom right of the application window, and exit the program.

Congratulations! You have just specified a new server to validate your Solidworks license.
Troubleshooting

If your license still does not work after following these directions, check the server name and port number you inputted. If this is correct and you are still having issues, please reboot your machine and attempt to start Solidworks. If this still does not remedy your issue, please contact your system administrator.