

EMTP Line Database



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1 Description

This device is used to explore, update and create EMTP Line database. A line database is composed of:

- Phase conductors
- Ground conductors
- Line configurations

Each database is stored in a XML-based format and can be updated manually using this device or through the provided JavaScript Interface or an XML editor.

2 Line Database

A default database is provided with EMTP. Data from various conductor manufacturers and typical line configurations are stored in this database.

A User-defined database can be created using the “New...” option shown in Figure 1. The User-defined database must be saved in the folder *UserDocument\EMTP\Database* where *UserDocument* designates the Documents folder in Windows, for example:
C:\Users\XXXX\Documents\EMTP\Database.

The “*Delete Database*” option is available to delete the active database. This option deletes the actual database file. This action cannot be undone. By default, the “Default Line Database” is read-only and cannot be deleted or modified.

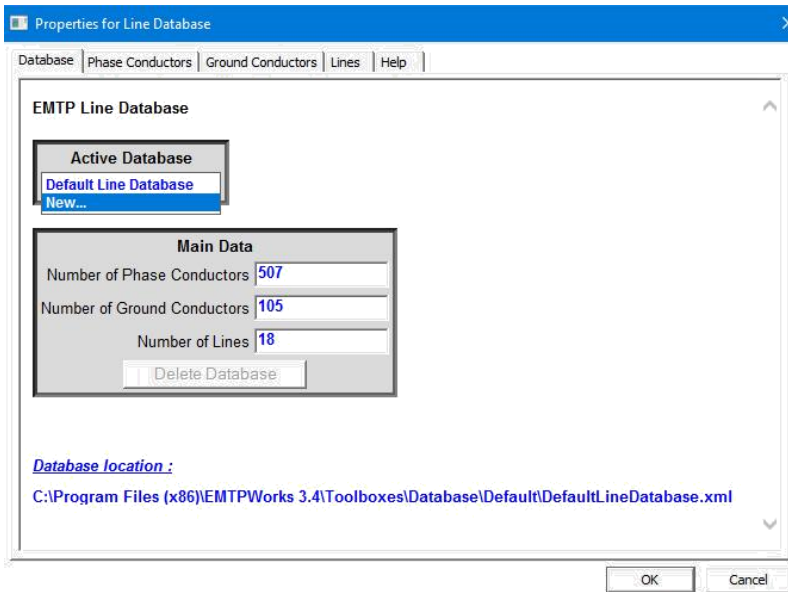


Figure 1: Database tab

3 Phase conductors

The “Phase Conductors” tab lists the phase conductors available in the active database.

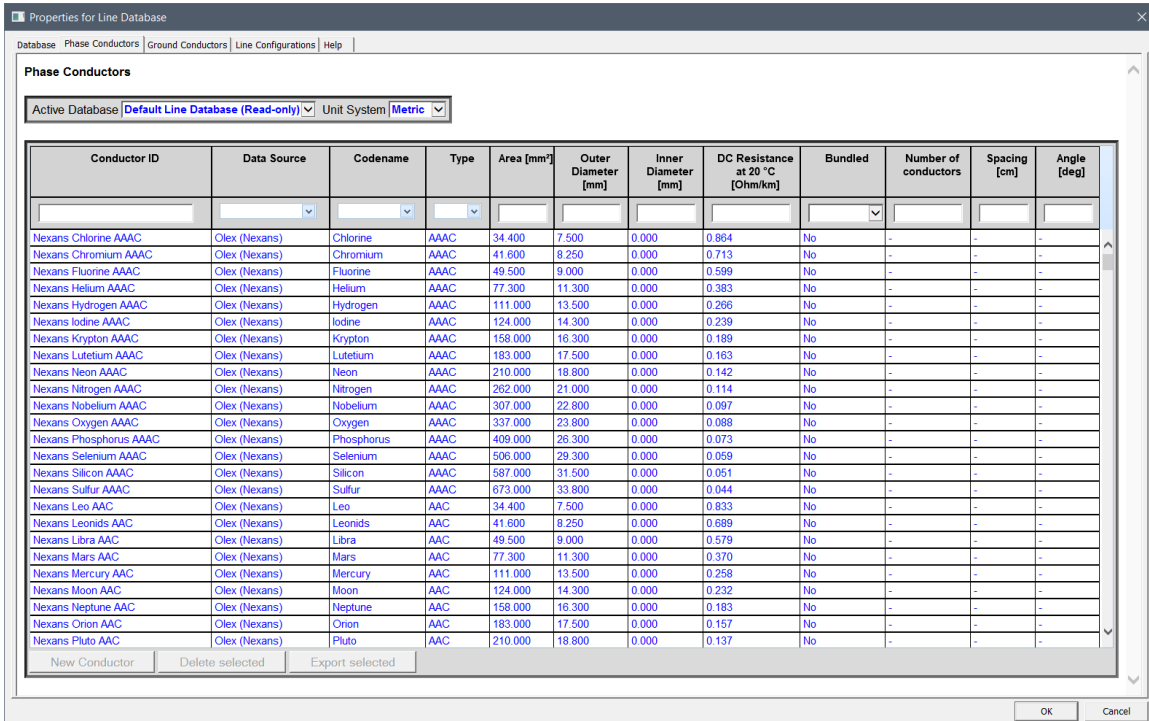


Figure 2: Phase Conductors Tab data

Phase conductor data:

- **Conductor ID:** Unique ID used to specify conductors in the transmission line design (*required*).
- **Data Source:** Specify the origin of the conductor data (*optional*)

- **Codename:** Manufacturers usually assign codename or code words to conductors to identify the different types and sizes of available conductors (*optional*)
- **Type:** Specify the type of conductor (AAC, ACSR...) (*optional*)
- **Area:** Conductor cross sectional dimension (*optional*)
- **Outer Diameter:** Specify the overall conductor Diameter (*required*)
- **Inner Diameter:** Conductor inner diameter. Generally equal to 0 (*required*)
- **DC Resistance at 20°:** Conductor DC Resistance (*required*)
- **Bundled:** "Yes" specifies a symmetrical bundle
 - **Number of conductors:** numbers of conductors in the bundle (*required if a bundle is specified*)
 - **Spacing:** (SEPAR) Distance between adjacent conductors in the bundle (*required if a bundle is specified*)
 - **Angle:** (ALPHA) Angle of the first conductor (or any conductor) of the bundle. Positive angles are measured counter-clock wise (*required if a bundle is specified*)

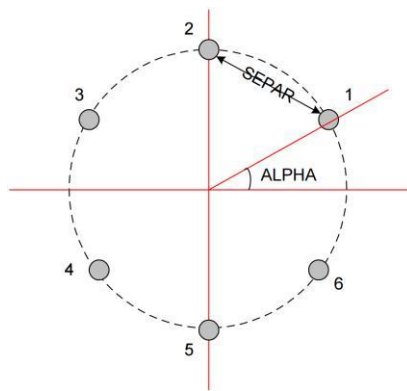


Figure 3: Bundle parameters

If the database is not read-only, it is possible to create and delete conductors. Multiple conductors can be deleted simultaneously. Conductors can be exported to other databases.

It is possible to filter and sort the conductor data using the options available in the table header. Multiple filtering options can be used simultaneously.

4 Ground conductors

Apart from the bundle options, Ground Conductor parameters are similar to Phase Conductor parameters.

Properties for Line Database

Database | Phase Conductors | Ground Conductors | Lines | Help

Ground Conductors

Active Database: Default Line Database | Unit System: Metric

Conductor ID	Data Source	Conductor Codename	Type	Area [mm ²]	Outer Diameter [mm]	Inner Diameter [mm]	DC Resistance at 20 °C [ohm/km]
37 No.6	AFL	37 No.6	ALUMOWELD	492.200	28.800	0.000	0.176
37 No.7	AFL	37 No.7	ALUMOWELD	390.300	25.700	0.000	0.222
37 No.8	AFL	37 No.8	ALUMOWELD	309.500	22.900	0.000	0.279
37 No.9	AFL	37 No.9	ALUMOWELD	245.500	20.300	0.000	0.352
37 No.10	AFL	37 No.10	ALUMOWELD	194.700	17.900	0.000	0.444
19 No.5	AFL	19 No.5	ALUMOWELD	318.700	23.100	0.000	0.270
19 No.6	AFL	19 No.6	ALUMOWELD	252.700	20.600	0.000	0.340
19 No.7	AFL	19 No.7	ALUMOWELD	200.400	18.300	0.000	0.429
19 No.8	AFL	19 No.8	ALUMOWELD	158.900	16.300	0.000	0.541
19 No.9	AFL	19 No.9	ALUMOWELD	126.100	14.500	0.000	0.682
19 No.10	AFL	19 No.10	ALUMOWELD	99.960	12.900	0.000	0.860
7 No.5	AFL	7 No.5	ALUMOWELD	117.400	13.900	0.000	0.743
7 No.6	AFL	7 No.6	ALUMOWELD	93.100	12.400	0.000	0.920
7 No.7	AFL	7 No.7	ALUMOWELD	73.870	11.000	0.000	1.160

New Conductor | Delete selected

OK | Cancel

Figure 4: Ground Conductors tab

5 Line configurations

The Lines configurations tab lists the configurations available in the active Database. Each line is identified by its unique ID. Line parameters are:

- **Tower Structure:** Specify the type and shape of tower. When using a *generic* structure, the drawing is automatically updated. (*Required*)
- **Footprint:** Specify the tower footprint. Geometric dimensions of the footprint can be specified. (*Optional*)
- **Conductor Characteristics:** Options are available to add and delete conductors. Conductor parameters:
 - **Type:** "Phase" or "Ground". (*Required*)
 - **Index:** used to identify the conductor in the drawing. (*Calculated automatically*)
 - **Conductor ID:** ID of the conductor (phase or ground). (*Required*)
 - **Horizontal Distance:** Horizontal Distance of the conductor from the reference point. (*Required*)
 - **Vertical Distance:** Vertical Distance of the conductor hanging-point from the reference point. (*Required*)
 - **Insulation Chain Length:** Length of the Insulation Chain. Valid only for vertical insulators. If equal to 0, the conductor height at the tower is equal to the vertical distance. (*Required*)
 - **Conductor height above ground:** Vertical Distance of the conductor above the ground at the tower. (*Calculated automatically*)

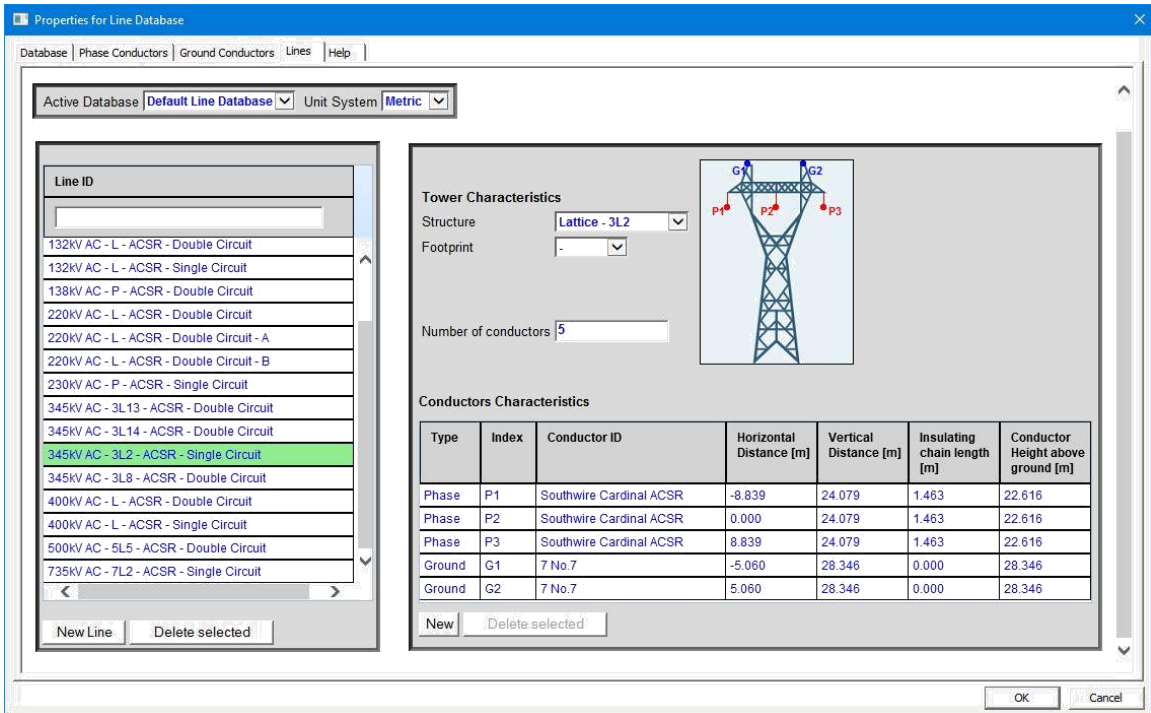


Figure 5: Lines Tab

6 Line Data Interface

The option "Load from Database" in the "Conductor Data" tab of the "Line Data" device is available to automatically calculate the conductor data parameters from a line available in the database.