



Pipeline Pilot Interface to *FlexX*

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User Guide

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Quick Start Steps

1.1 Setup the *FlexX* Component in Pipeline Pilot

1. Unzip the download package and save the folder on your system.
2. Drag and drop the component (the `.xml` file) from the folder onto the component area of your Pipeline Pilot client.
3. Set the parameter `<PPServerFlexXExe>` to the path of your external *FlexX* installation. The path is set in the Implementation tab of the component (usually found to the right of the Parameter tab).
4. Add your license for the executable of *FlexX* in the field for the parameter `<PPServerLicenseFile>` in the Implementation tab – if your license is available from a license server, simply type in the name of the server in this format `@servername`, or if you have a license file then you may browse for it using the `...` facility. You will only need to set the parameters `<PPServerFlexXExe>` and `<PPServerLicenseFile>` once - re-save the component after the paths have been entered and you can reuse them later. See below and sections 3.2.1 for more details on this.
5. Drag and drop a *FlexX* project (`.fxx` file) onto the *FlexX* component. The project will be set in the parameter `<ProjectFilename>` in the Parameter tab (the project will be uploaded to the server after the drag and drop action). You may find example projects in the download package or you can create your own docking project using *FlexX* – see the next section.
6. Build the component into your Pipeline Pilot workflows.

1.2 Generate a docking project with *FlexX*

1. Prepare your docking calculation using the GUI version of *FlexX*. Make sure you include the fully defined receptor and any other settings you require – save this as a project.
2. In *FlexX*, test that you can run a docking calculation OK with all your settings using a test input ligand. There is no need to save the project again with the docking results but it is no problem if you do.

3. The saved project file (`.fxx` file) can be dropped onto the *FlexX* component as described in the section above.

1.3 Note about the external *FlexX* installation

The *FlexX* component uses an external installation of the *FlexX* software. You also need the GUI version of *FlexX* in order to prepare your docking projects. This means you must already have *FlexX* installed on your system outside of Pipeline Pilot. If you have not already done so, visit the download page at BioSolveIT:

<http://www.biosolveit.de/download>

and fetch the download package for your system for the latest *FlexX* package. Follow the instructions in the package to install *FlexX* and receive your licenses.

See section 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 for more details on the *FlexX* installation.

Introduction

2.1 About *FlexX*

FlexX is one of the most established protein-ligand docking tools in the literature. Cited hundreds of times, it has proved to be highly successful in numerous drug discovery applications – for references, please visit <http://www.biosolveit.de/references>. The main applications of *FlexX* are binding mode prediction and virtual high-throughput screening (vHTS).

1. Binding mode prediction - For a protein with known three-dimensional structure and a small ligand molecule, *FlexX* accurately predicts the geometry of the protein-ligand complex within a few seconds. To use *FlexX* for binding mode prediction within Pipeline Pilot see the example in section 2.2.1.
2. Virtual high-throughput screening (vHTS) - *FlexX* sets new records for vHTS. You can screen a library of approximately 1 000 000 compounds in about 8 hours on a 30-node cluster. For further references and information visit <http://www.biosolveit.de/FlexX>. To use *FlexX* for vHTS within Pipeline Pilot see the example in section 2.2.2 and setup for parallel processing in section 3.3.

2.2 *FlexX* Component in Pipeline Pilot

You can see the general steps required in order to use the *FlexX* Pipeline Pilot component in section 1; here we will cover the component parameter settings in more detail to help you fine tune your calculation. The component parameters and the error port are used as follows:

ProjectFilename Set the docking project for the calculation. The project is a file with `.fxx-` extension. You can find examples within this package or you can use the *FlexX* GUI to create a new project.

NofPoses For each incoming molecule the *FlexX* component runs a docking calculation using the defined project which results in a set of poses. These are ranked by docking score. Only the best `<NofPoses>` poses are output from the component.

Error port If the calculation for the input molecule fails, the input molecule will be passed to error port.

The following two examples form a first simple tutorial to see how the *FlexX* component works.

2.2.1 Binding mode prediction



Figure 2.1: Starting example for binding mode prediction.

1. First you need a source for the input molecules. Drag and drop a molecule reader component like "Mol2 Reader" to your empty pipeline area. Select a MOL2 file in the parameter tab with the parameter `<Source>`. You can try out a MOL2 file in the examples folder of this package.
2. Set the `<Maximum>` parameter to 1 to ensure you start with only one molecule. This will form a quick example as a first test.
3. Drag and drop the *FlexX* component to your pipeline area and connect the output port of the molecule reader to the input port of the *FlexX* component. Go to the *FlexX* component and define a project with the parameter `<ProjectFilename>` in the parameter tab.
4. By default 10 different docking poses will be calculated. You can change this value at the parameter `<NofPoses>` (be aware that *FlexX* can create hundreds of poses).
5. To see a simple visual result of the poses with their scores, drag and drop the component "HTML Table Viewer" to your pipeline. Connect the output pass port of *FlexX* component to the input port of "HTML Table Viewer".
6. Your workflow should look like the example in figure 2.1 and is ready to run.

2.2.2 Virtual high-throughput screening

1. Start with a molecule reader as described in 2.2.1. In this example the reader defines the library you want to screen. You can also replace the MOL2 reader with any molecule reader available in the Pipeline Pilot collection.
2. Remember to change the `<Maximum>` parameter to read all molecule records from the file.

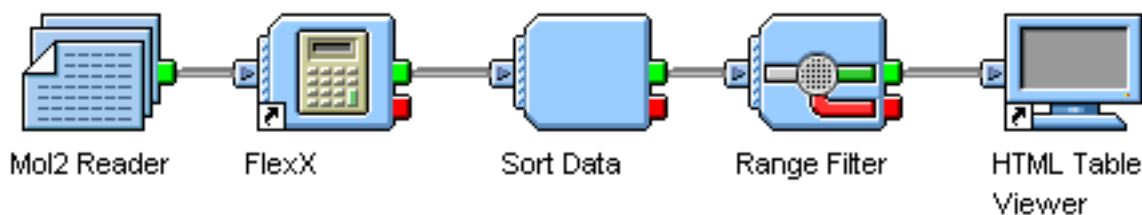


Figure 2.2: Starting example for virtual high throughput screening.

3. Set up *FlexX* component as described in 2.2.1.
4. Change the `<NofPoses>` parameter to 1 (If you want to take more poses into account you have to do some extended analysis of the results *after* the docking calculation using the components available to you in Pipeline Pilot- check the Pipeline Pilot documentation for more information.) The result will now be one pose per input molecule.
5. The resulting poses need to be sorted to create a ranked list of your library. Drag and drop a "Sort Data" component and connect it to *FlexX* component. Set the parameter `<SortProperty1>` to value "BSIT_FlexX_Total_Score". The lowest scores are the best in *FlexX* so set the parameter `<SortDirection1>` to "Increasing".
6. To select a subset of the resulting ranked list you can add a filter. In this example we want to filter the 100 best results. Drag and drop the component "Range filter" and connect it to the "Sort Data" component. Set the parameter `<List>` to "1-100".
7. Finally add a viewer or a writer component to view and/or save your results. Your pipeline may look like the example in figure 2.2. Change the workflow to your needs and, for example, try out some more detailed analysis.

Installation and Connection to the External *FlexX* Installation

3.1 Installation of the *FlexX* Pipeline Pilot Component

1. Unzip the download package into a new directory.
2. You can then drag and drop the component into the Pipeline Pilot Client Component area. Alternatively, within your Pipeline Pilot Client, import the `.xml` file into the Client as in figure 3.1.

As mentioned previously, the *FlexX* component uses an external installation of the *FlexX* software. This means you must already have *FlexX* installed on your system outside of Pipeline Pilot. If you have not already done so, visit the download page at BioSolveIT:

<http://www.biosolveit.de/download>

and fetch the download package for your system for the latest *FlexX* package. Follow the instructions in the package to install *FlexX* and receive your licenses.

The most common scenario is that you will have an installation of *FlexX* on the Pipeline Pilot server. If you choose this option, you just have to enter the path to the executable as a parameter in the Implementation tab. Pipeline Pilot will then just start *FlexX* whenever it is required by making a call to the executable entered.

However, your existing *FlexX* installation could be on a Linux computer remote from the Pipeline Pilotserver – in this case we offer an alternative so you can use the remote installation instead. Here, the calculations carried out by *FlexX* will be done on the remote Linux machine. Pipeline Pilot logs into the Linux machine using `ssh`, having copied all relevant files to the machine, and will run the calculation there, finally copying back all data it needs to the Pipeline Pilot server to continue with the pipeline.

More details about these two variants follow below.

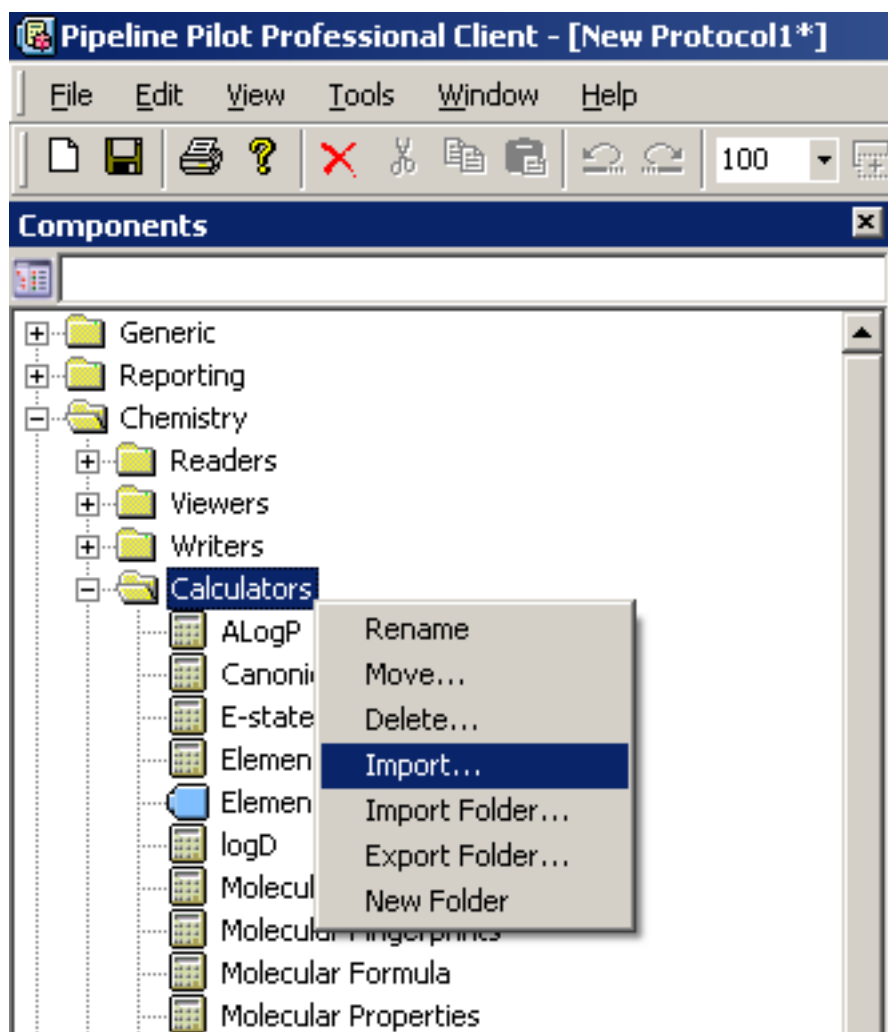


Figure 3.1: Example location for Import command.

3.2 Connection to the external *FlexX* installation

To use *FlexX* within Pipeline Pilot you must specify where the external installation is to be found. This is done as follows:

3.2.1 To Connect to an *FlexX* Installation on the Pipeline Pilot Server

This method is given the label *PPServer* – Pipeline Pilot Server. You can see an example in figure 3.3.

- Requirement:
 - *FlexX* is installed on the Pipeline Pilot server. You can see which machine is the Pipeline Pilot server by starting your copy of Pipeline Pilot Client on your own workstation and find the name or IP of the server shown at the bottom right of the status bar (see figure 3.2). You must find where the *FlexX* installation is *on that machine*.
- General Steps:
 1. In the Implementation Tab expand the parameter <Setup>
 2. Set <UseFlexXOnPPServer> to *True*
 3. Expand <PPServerFlexXExe>
 4. For the parameter <PPServerFlexXExe>, enter the path to the *FlexX* installation on the Pipeline Pilot server, if the path contains white space be sure to enclose the complete path in quotes. For example:
"C:\Program Files\BioSolveIT\FlexX3\flexx.exe"
 5. Add your license for the executable of *FlexX* in the field for the parameter <PPServerLicenseFile> in the Implementation tab – if your license is available from a license server, simply type in the name of the server in this format *@server-name*, or if you have a license file then you may browse for it using the ... facility.

You can save these settings in the component.

3.2.2 To Connect to an *FlexX* Installation on a Remote Linux Server

Your existing *FlexX* installation could be on a Linux computer remote from the Pipeline Pilot server – in this case we offer an alternative so you can use the remote installation instead. Here, the calculations carried out by *FlexX* will be done on the remote Linux machine. Pipeline Pilot logs into the Linux machine using *ssh*, having copied all relevant files to the machine, and will run the calculation there, finally copying back all data it needs to the Pipeline Pilot server to continue with the pipeline.

This method is given the label *ssh*. You can see an example in figure 3.4.

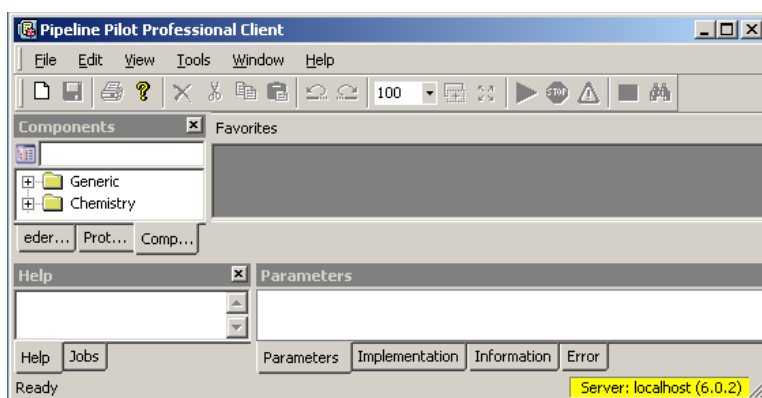


Figure 3.2: See where your Pipeline Pilot Server is installed.

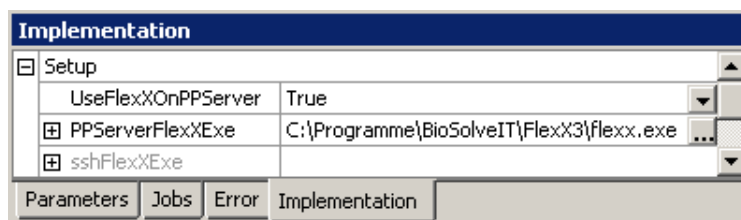


Figure 3.3: PPServer: Connect to an FlexX Installation on the Pipeline Pilot Server

- Requirement:
 - FlexX is installed on a Linux machine available to the Pipeline Pilot server via ssh.
- General Steps:
 1. In the Implementation Tab expand the parameter <Setup>
 2. Set <UseFlexXOnPPServer> to *False*
 3. Expand <sshFlexXExe>
 4. For the parameter <sshFlexXExe>, enter the path to the FlexX installation on the Linux machine. For example:
"/software/BioSolveIT/flexx/bin/flexx"
 5. For the parameter <sshHost>, enter the Linux machine host name
- User specific steps:
 1. For the parameter <sshUser>, enter the user login name for ssh on the Linux machine
 2. For the parameter <sshPassword>, enter the user password for ssh on the Linux machine
 3. There are more advanced options to be found under <Optionally> for more specific ssh parameters. Note the option <sshDeleteResults>, this may be useful for trouble-shooting later.

You can save these settings in the component (be sure not to save your own user specific login details in components available to others!).

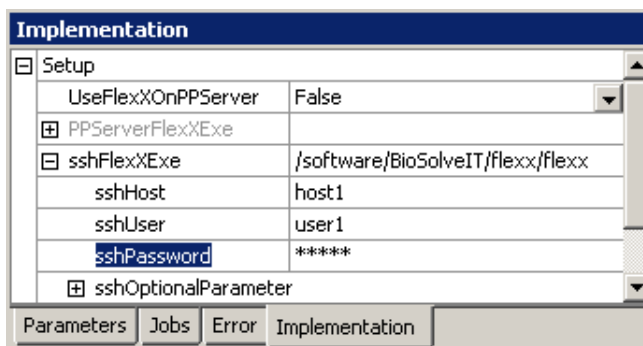


Figure 3.4: *ssh*: Connect to an *FlexX* Installation on a Remote Linux Server via *ssh*

All files necessary for the *FlexX* calculation will be transferred via *scp* between the Pipeline Pilot server and *ssh* Linux machine. Files copied and files created the remote server are automatically deleted at the end of the job leaving no trace. However, in case the user would like to leave a copy of the calculation and result files on the Linux machine, or for trouble-shooting as mentioned above, it is possible to set a parameter to tell Pipeline Pilot not to delete these files:

<Optionally> : <sshDeleteResults> : *False*

3.3 Running *FlexX* in Parallel in Pipeline Pilot

FlexX in Pipeline Pilot takes advantage of the parallel computing options available in Pipeline Pilot to speed up longer calculations. This section tells you how to adjust the options to your system and needs. You will find the options in the Implementation tab, as in figure 3.5.

The most important limitation to a parallel processing calculation is the number of *FlexX* licenses that you have. If you only have a single license then parallel calculations will not be possible. Further choices in the set-up of the parallel computing calculation depend on the number of Pipeline Pilot licenses you have plus your choice of connection to the external *FlexX* installation (*PPServer* or *ssh*).

It is important to note that a balance must be achieved between the overhead caused by running several calculations instead of one and the size of the calculation – there is a lot of overhead involved in sending all the essential data to different computers and collecting the results. For the *FlexX* component, however, we still think parallel computing will work also for parallel jobs with batch size 1. Of course, these figures depend on the speed of your machines and network: experiment with your set-up if you intend to carry out large calculations often. Also we advise you to read the Pipeline Pilot documentation about parallel processing to understand more fully how it works.

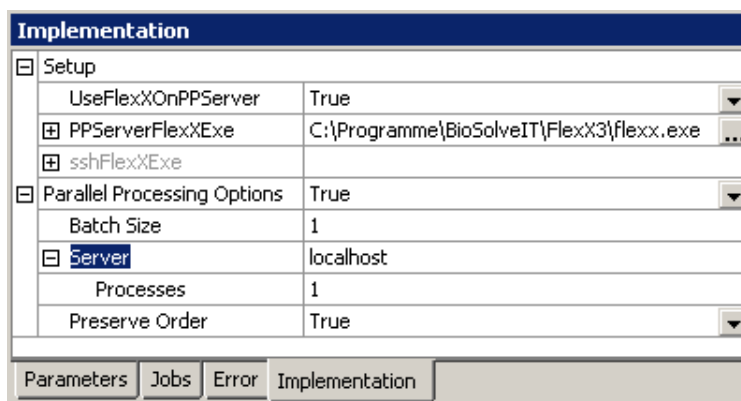


Figure 3.5: The options for tuning parallel processing are found in the Implementation tab

Note: to set up large parallel processing jobs, you will need Administrator rights to change one setting.

3.3.1 Running in Parallel on the Pipeline Pilot Server

You may have a multi-processor machine as your Pipeline Pilot server. If you also have the appropriate number of Pipeline Pilot and *FlexX* licenses the simplest way to start a parallel calculation is to raise the number of processes to the number of processors of the machine.

You could also have more than one Pipeline Pilot server available in your network. If so, you can enter a list of the server names at the parameter `<Server>`. Below that, for the parameter `<Processes>` enter a list of the number of processes each server should receive. The lists are both comma separated and must be in corresponding order. Remember to adjust also the `<Batch Size>` accordingly.

Note: the path to the external installation of *FlexX* must be same on all servers!

3.3.2 Running in Parallel on a Remote Linux Cluster

We have developed an implementation in the component whereby a large cluster can be incorporated to run *FlexX* jobs, without them having to be Pipeline Pilot servers. However, it must be a Linux cluster and the component must use the ssh method. You must also have enough *FlexX* licenses available to the cluster.

The settings in the Implementation tab must be made as for running the ssh method, with two important changes. Instead of one `<sshHost>`, enter a comma separated list of the host names in the Linux cluster. Then, you must choose how many batches in total you want the job to be split into and enter this total in the `<Processes>` parameter. Remember to change the `<Batch Size>` to fit with the number of processes.

Figure 3.6 may help clarify how the method works.

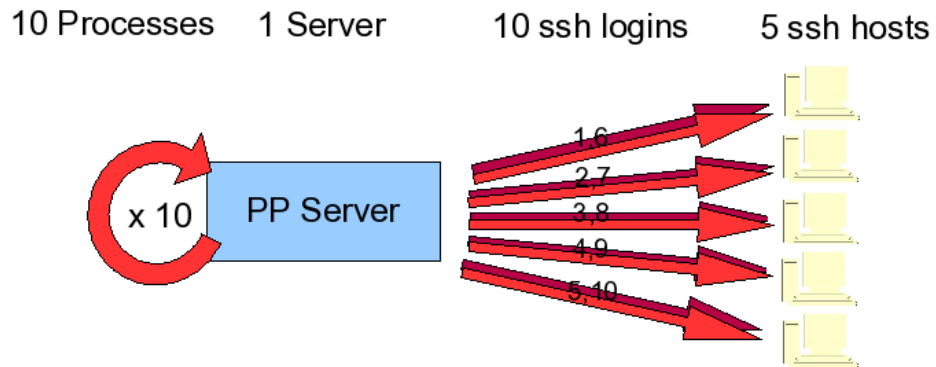


Figure 3.6: The method of parallel processing on Linux clusters in the *FlexX* component. The Pipeline Pilot server is given 10 processes. The 10 processes start an ssh job respectively, distributed amongst the ssh hosts.

The Pipeline Pilot server will run with the number of processes given in `<Processes>`. However, in this case the processes the server receives are not the *FlexX* calculations themselves but instructions for starting the ssh jobs. The server iterates through its 10 jobs each time spawning an ssh job on a Linux host. Beware that the Pipeline Pilot server does not know how many processors the Linux hosts have so make sure you choose the number of `<Processes>` to fit the number of Linux hosts and their number of processors respectively – be careful not to overload the Linux hosts.

Figure 3.7 shows the detailed settings required to set up the calculation as in figure 3.6.

Implementation	
<input type="checkbox"/> Setup	
UseFlexXOnPPServer	False
<input type="checkbox"/> PPServerFlexXExe	
<input type="checkbox"/> sshFlexXExe	/software/BioSolveIT/flexx/flexx
sshHost	host1,host2,host3,host4,host5
sshUser	user1
sshPassword	*****
<input type="checkbox"/> sshOptionalParameter	
<input type="checkbox"/> Parallel Processing Options	True
Batch Size	1
<input type="checkbox"/> Server	localhost
Processes	10
Preserve Order	True

Parameters Jobs Error Implementation

Figure 3.7: The options for parallel processing for the example shown in figure 3.6 would look similar to these

As you may already have realised, you could enter more than one Pipeline Pilot server at

the <Server> parameter (along with another entry for number of <Processes> as a comma separated list) to execute a doubly parallel calculation!

Note: to get this method to work you will need to change the maximum number of processes per Pipeline Pilot server. The Pipeline Pilot Client will let you enter any number for the <Processes> parameter and does not warn you if this number is above the maximum.

Changing the maximum number requires Administrator rights! The number of processes per Pipeline Pilot server is usually restricted to the number of processors of the server. You must override this maximum to be able to set the number of processes you want for your parallel calculation. In the above example, the maximum must be set to 10 or more. Take the following steps:

- Go to the 'Scitegic Server Home Page', for example, via the Help menu in your Pipeline Pilot client.
- Click on 'Pipeline Pilot Administration Portal' and log in with the Administrator user name and password.
- In the last field of the table ('Maximum number of simultaneous parallel processing subprotocols allowed') change the value, click 'Save' and log out again.

3.3.3 Example Scenarios and Required Settings

ssh/PPServer	<i>PPServer</i>
Parallel Processing Options	False
Number of PP servers in list	1
Number of ssh Hosts in list	-
Number of Processes	-
Behavior	The calculation will run as one complete job on the Pipeline Pilot server
ssh/PPServer	<i>ssh</i>
Parallel Processing Options	False
Number of PP servers in list	-
Number of ssh Hosts in list	1
Number of Processes	-
Behavior	The calculation will run as one complete job on the ssh host
ssh/PPServer	<i>PPServer</i>
Parallel Processing Options	True
Number of PP servers in list	1
Number of ssh Hosts in list	-
Number of Processes	1
Behavior	(Default) Induces the 'pipeline' effect: the job will run in chunks on the server processor(s)
ssh/PPServer	<i>PPServer</i>
Parallel Processing Options	True
Number of PP servers in list	1
Number of ssh Hosts in list	-
Number of Processes	>1
Behavior	A true parallel effect: the job will be run in chunks on the server processors
ssh/PPServer	<i>PPServer</i>
Parallel Processing Options	True
Number of PP servers in list	4 (each with two processors)
Number of ssh Hosts in list	-
Number of Processes	2,2,2,2
Behavior	A true parallel effect: the job will run in chunks in parallel split across 8 processors
ssh/PPServer	<i>ssh</i>
Parallel Processing Options	True
Number of PP servers in list	1
Number of ssh Hosts in list	5 (each with 2 processors)
Number of Processes	10
Behavior	A true parallel effect: the job will run in chunks in parallel split across 10 processors

Trouble Shooting

The most commonly seen problems with *FlexX* in Pipeline Pilot is with the connection to the external *FlexX* installation. For one thing, *FlexX* itself must be correctly installed on the system independently of Pipeline Pilot – it is essential first to make sure this is the case (especially to make sure that *FlexX* can locate the licenses). Once *FlexX* runs fine on your system, the remaining key task is to make sure the path to the executable is correct within the Pipeline Pilot component (pay extra attention to the setting of <UseFlexXOnPPServer>) and the component should be fine.

When the error messages pop up, they may contain a relevant part of the start-up message from *FlexX* plus an extra message that may help you identify the problem. The message is easier to see if you click on 'Details' in the error message box, as in figure 4.1.

In fact, the best way to read the complete message is to go to the 'Jobs' tab below the Protocol workspace and check under the last run job for a file called 'Errors.txt' – as in figure 4.2. Clicking on the link brings up the error report in a browser.

A correctly started *FlexX* job outputs the following header: if there is a problem you will see some of this header and the point where the problem occurs:

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                                F l e x X (Release 3)
Copyright                        Prediction of Protein-Ligand Interactions

BioSolveIT GmbH                 Version:   3.1.0 (beta)   (20.08.08)
An der Ziegelei 75              Modules:   [CDOCK] [FLEXE] [PHARM] [SCREEN] [PERMUTE]
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>> Running on DELTA (Windows 5.1) with 2 processors.
>> Loaded settings (v 1.1.0) from 'C:\Dokumente und Einstellungen\ederk22s/.flexx/settings
>> FlexX_base license check (BioSolveIT keys): succeeded.
>> Licensed modules: FlexX [CDOCK] [FlexE] [PHARM] [PERMUTE] [SCREEN] [DEVELOP]
...

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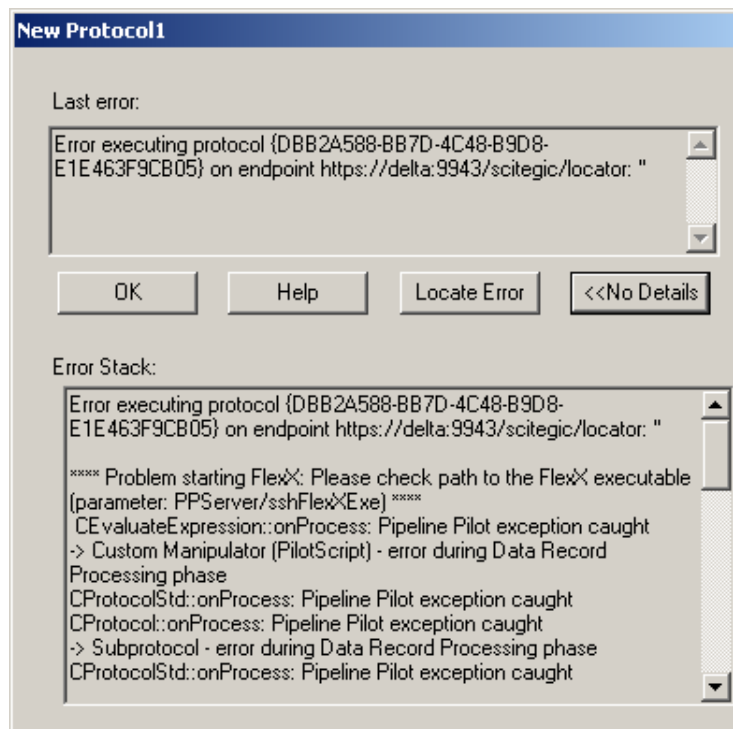


Figure 4.1: An error box reporting that the *FlexX* exe could not be found.

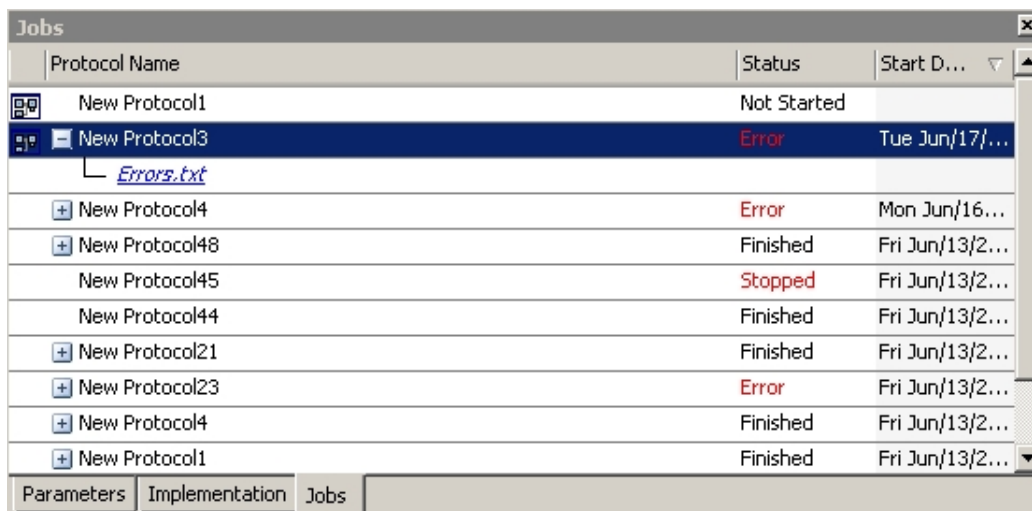


Figure 4.2: The full error report can be found in the 'Jobs' tab.

You may also experience problems using the *ssh* login, for example, the user name is unknown or the host is not found.

More complicated errors may arise during the running of *FlexX*. Again though, the errors will be collected and as much information shown as possible. If you are familiar with *FlexX* you may want to take a look at all the output of the job yourself to see if you can recognize the problem. In this case, you can look in the temporary folders Pipeline Pilot sets up internally to find the output, or if you are working with the *ssh* method, set the parameter `<sshDeleteResults>` to *False* so that you may then find the files retained on the *ssh* host: these will be in the directory set under the *ssh* parameter `<sshTempPath>` (see the help text associated with this parameter to find its default value) – essentially a cryptically named folder whose name begins with the date and time of the job!

If you still do not know what is causing the errors, write down as much information as possible relating to your installation scheme and cut and paste the text from the 'Errors.txt' file or, if possible, the output files from the *FlexX* job itself into an email. Send all the information to:

support@biosolveit.de

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5.1 Other Significant Parameters in the *FlexX* Component

For detailed documentation of all parameters, refer to the documentation you find in the *Help* area of the Pipeline Pilot window.

We list here particularly interesting parameters: those that greatly influence the workflow or change the outcome of calculations, or those that may help you understand what is happening in the component.

5.1.1 <sshHasSameFS>

*FlexX*Calculator/Similarity : Implementation : Setup : UseFlexXOnPPServer : sshFlexXExe : Optionally : <sshHasSameFS>

The name of this parameter stands for "ssh Has Same File System". Normally, for an *ssh* job, Pipeline Pilot must first copy all the data required by *FlexX* to the <sshHost> using scp. This is time consuming. It is possible that the Pipeline Pilot Server and <sshHost> actually share the same file system rendering the scp process unnecessary. Select True if the Pipeline Pilot Server and <sshHost> share the same File System - no copying of data is necessary. Selecting False means Pipeline Pilot copies all the data to and back from the <sshHost> – this is just a little slower but will always still work. Leave the parameter set to False if you are uncertain!

5.2 Accessing Other Domains within Pipeline Pilot

Often in house data or even your own working data are accessible from a windows computer via a domain (a path starting for example 'z:\...' or '\\...\') which you cannot find from within Pipeline Pilot. That means you must first literally transfer the data to the Pipeline Pilot Server itself.

If you are using a Linux Pipeline Pilot server, this hint does not apply.

To get around this problem and make the Pipeline Pilot working environment much more flexible you can allow users access to domains – you need Administrator rights to be able to do this! Also check first that you should change these settings as they may have already been set to fit the current environment.

- Go to the 'Scitegic Server Home Page', for example, via the Help menu in your Pipeline Pilot client.
- Click on 'Pipeline Pilot Administration Portal' and log in with the Administrator user name and password.
- In the Security tab go to Authentication.
- For the 'Authentication Method' choose 'DOMAIN' and a set of parameters will appear.
- Enter the domain name in the field 'Domain' and choose 'Full' for 'Impersonation'
- Choose 'DOMAIN' for 'Retrieve Groups' and leave 'Limit access to listed domains' set to 'No'
- click 'Save' and log out again.

After you have done this you will need to enter your domain login details when you start the Pipeline Pilot Client.

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