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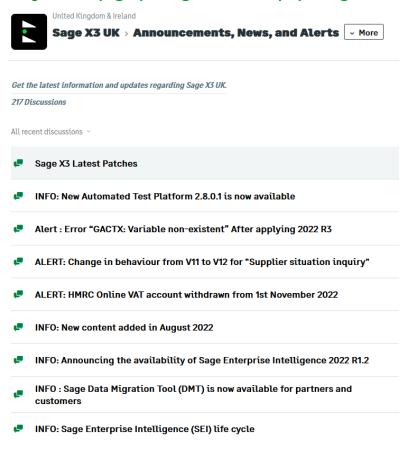
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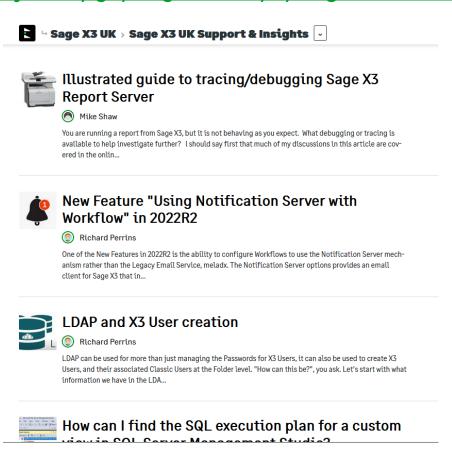




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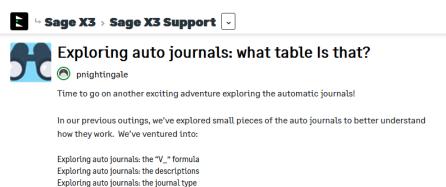




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Tracing with Mongo Traceability Functions

In today's adventure, we are going to zero in on the STKRE (Purchase...

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Evening readers,

Today we are going to look at the Traceability function for MongoDB. This function keeps a history log of changes to collections in mongo. It will let you trace stuff like authoring, pages (like dashboards), user changes, and more. This is a somewhat new function as it appears to have been added in version 12 of Sage X3 (couldn't find the exact patch number). But, once I show you how to enable it, it...



How to use Stock Movement Codes in Product category?



Sage X3 UK — Training resources

Regularly review Sage University for the latest offerings (https://sageu.com/)

Apart from the standard courses available, this audience may be particularly interested in the advanced training by the Centre Of Excellence (COEX) team. Search for:

- Expert Workshop typically one day or more
- Knowledge Bites normally one hour

More details on following slides

Sage X3 UK — Training resources

You may find the newly released "Expert Workshop: Best Practices for Managing your Sage X3 Solution" of particular interest (4x 4 hour sessions starting 16th November)

After attending this session you will have a better understanding on the missions of the Sage X3 ERP administrator including:

- Key concepts from the Common Tools and System & Security training courses
- Master the general operation of an ERP
- Control in parallel the state of all the business applications of the information system in force
- Ensure the functional availability of the application and its databases (Oracle, SQL Server, BaaN, ERPLN, eWork, Docuware, etc.)
- Ensure the quality of user services
- Correct execution of application-related batch jobs: (definition of work queues, planning according to needs, taking processing times into account, avoiding contention, etc.)
- Organization of the online storage of information.
- Assist the user in his use of software (hot line and resolution of discrepancies)
- Management of the relationship with external hotlines
- Monitor & anticipate issues
- Definition of indicators for detecting anomalies/malfunctions, setting up alerts
- Manage & fix issues
- Implement operating procedures (management of accounts, rights, etc.)
- Develop and update the solution based on new business needs
- Optimize performance



Sage X3 UK — Training resources

	All scheduled courses are virtual instructor-led, unless otherwise noted Excludes weekends and may include study days between dates	MUST LOG INTO SAGEU TO ACCESS COURSE LINKS BELOW	Oct	Nov	Dec/Jan
Technica I	Using Sage X3 SQL Views to create Requesters/Queries - Level 2 (Two 3-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>	Oct 17-18		
	Defining the Segregation Of Duty challenges and impact on Sage X3 (Two 3-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>		Nov 24-25	
	Putting GraphQL to Practice (Two 4-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>		Nov 14-15	
	Best Practices for Managing your Sage X3 Solution (Four 4-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>		Nov 16-17,23- 24	
	Understanding the Sage X3 Common Tools data model (Two 3.5-hour sessions)	Learn more and Register		Nov 28, Dec1	
	Tips & Tricks for Importing & Exporting Data (Two 3.5-hour sessions)	Learn more and Register		Nov 21-22	
	Using Sage X3 SQL Views to create Requesters/Queries - Level 1 (Two 3-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>		Nov 29-30	
	Sage X3 Authentication - Best Practices (Two 3.5-hour sessions)	Learn more and Register			Dec 20-21
Development	Developing Add-ons for Sage X3 (3.5-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>	Oct 21		
	Advanced Development Best Practices (Four 4-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>	Oct 17-20		
	Why Classes and representations are still interesting? (Four 3-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>	Oct 24-27		
	Hybrid development – Tips & Tricks (3.5-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>		Nov 22	
Workflow Workshops	Workflows and 4GL (4-hour sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>	Oct 19		
	Control Your Business & Anticipate Issues using Workflows (Four 3-hour sessions)	Learn more and Register			Dec 6-9
	Practice Factory: Workflow implementation with complex recipients' management (Partner Only Class) (Four sessions)	<u>Learn more and</u> <u>Register</u>			Jan 16- 17,19,20





Sage X3 versions documented in the Support Forum https://www.sagecity.com/gb/sage-x3-uk/f/sage-x3-uk-announcements-news-and-alerts/147993/sage-x3-latest-patches

- V12: Quarterly releases (General Release expected: February, May, July and November)
 - Last release (August 2022): 2022 R3 (12.0.31)
- V11
- Final patch release (March 2022): **11.0.22**

See KB article Id 105518 "Sage X3 Lifecycle Policy" for more details

Source of truth for the technology prerequisites is the online help:

- V12 Prerequisites https://online-help.sageerpx3.com/erp/12/public/prerequisites_last-version.html
- Prerequisites Overview http://online-help.sageerpx3.com/erp/12/public/prerequisites_overview.html
- <u>Architecture and system requirements</u> (via the Online help at https://online-help.sageerpx3.com/erp/12/public/index.html)

Keep all your technology components up to date:

- Operating System
 - Sage certify at the "top" level, latest patches can be applied
 - Note that Windows 2012 is due to be de-certified

Server operating system

Component	Update 9	Version 11	Version 12	
Windows Server	2008 R2 (upgrade and compatible only)	2012 R2 is about to be deprecated. See note below.	2012 R2 is about to be deprecated. See note below.	
	2012	2016	2016	
	2012 R2		2019 since release 2020 R2/V12.0.22	
Red Hat Enterprise Linux	7.x	7.x	7.x (7.5 or later is recommended)	
			8.x (with mandatory compat-openssi10-1:1.0.2o-3.el8.x86_64 package) since release 2021 R3/V12.0.2	
Oracle Enterprise Linux	7.x	7.x	7.x (7.5 or later is recommended)	
			8.x (with mandatory compat-openssi10-1:1.0.2o-3.el8.x86_64 package) since release 2021 R3/V12.0.2	
IBM AIX	To be deprecated. No new configuration should be allowed with IBM AIX	To be deprecated. No new configuration should be allowed with IBM AIX	Deprecated but it can be used as a manually configured Oracle database server	

Note: Windows Server 2012 R2 should not be used for new installations, as:

- Its End of Life is planned for October 10, 2023.
- · Sage will stop supporting Windows Server 2012 R2 in 2022.
- If you are currently using Windows Server 2012 R2, you need to upgrade to Windows Server 2016 or 2019.



- Database (SQL server, Oracle)
 - Sage certify at the "top" level, latest patches can be applied
 - e.g. If using SQL Server 2016 with V12 Patch 22, you can apply the latest patches available for SQL Server 2016, but would need to upgrade to Patch 23 or above before upgrading to SQL Server 2019

Databases

Component	Update 9	Version 11	Version 12	
Oracle	11g R2 (upgrade and compatible only)	12c R1 SE2, EE	12c R1 and R2 SE2, EE	
	12c R1 SE, EE		19c SE2, EE since release 2020 R2/V12.0.22	
MS SQL Server	2012 SP2 SE, EE (upgrade and compatible only)	2014 SE, EE, BI	2016 SE, EE, BI	
	2014 SE, EE, BI	2016 SE, EE, BI	2017 SE, EE, BI	
	2017 SE, EE, BI (only for Sage X3 People)		2019 SE, EE, BI since release 2020 R3/V12.0.23	



MongoDB (Version 12 shown)

3.4.16 in initial GA release 2018 R8/V12.0.14
3.6.14 since Syracuse 12.5 in release 2019 R5/V12.0.20
4.0.27 since Syracuse 12.8 in release 2020 R3/V12.0.23
4.2.17 since Syracuse 12.9 in release 2020 R4/V12.0.24
4.4.10 since Syracuse 12.14 in release 2022 R1/V12.0.29
4.4.12 since Syracuse 12.15 in release 2022 R2/V12.0.30

Notes:

- MongoDB versions under 4.2 are not compatible with Windows Server 2019.
- MongoDB 4.4 is not compatible with Windows Server 2012.



- Elastic Search
 - Check Elastic Search documentation for JDK versions supported
 - Can use the JDK provided as part of the Elastic Search installation bundle

Servers, frameworks, and middleware

Component	Update 9	Version 11	Version 12
node.js	0.12.15 to 10.0.0	4.6.0 to 14.0.0	8.11.3 to 14.0.0
Elasticsearch	1.5.*	1.5.*	2.4.4
		6.4 since Syracuse 11.17 in V11.0.14	6.4 since Syracuse 12.3 in release 2019 R3/V12.0.18
		6.8.22 since Syracuse 11.20 in V11.0.16	6.8.22 since Syracuse 12.6 in release 2020 R1/V12.0.21
		7.16.2 since Syracuse 11.24 in Sage X3 Warehousing V11.0.10/Sage X3 V11.0.19	7.16.2 since Syracuse 12.9 in release 2020 R4/V12.0.24
JVM	7.x	8u201 or later 8.x recommended	8u201 or later 8.x recommended
Apache	2.2 (obsolete and deprecated) 2.4 recommended	2.2 (obsolete and deprecated) 2.4 highly recommended	2.2 (obsolete and deprecated) 2.4 highly recommended
ВО	Business Object XI 4.1 SP3 patch 1	Business Object XI 4.1 SP3 patch 1	Business Object XI 4.2 SP8 patch 600
.Net framework	3.5 and 4	3.5 and 4	3.5 and 4



- Apache 2.2 or 2.4
 - 2.4 is **highly** recommended
 - Sage certify at the "top" level, so latest Apache patches can be applied
 - How to upgrade 2.2 to Apache 2.4
 - https://online-help.sageerpx3.com/erp/12/public/index.html
 - Apache vulnerabilities
 - https://httpd.apache.org/security/vulnerabilities_24.html
 - Setup your firewall rules so that the Apache installation (configured for Sage X3 use only) can only be accessed by the X3 server(s) that need the access to Apache.
 - Apache is now optional since version 2022 R2
 - Syracuse will take over the role Apache was playing



- JDK
 - JDK 8 is mandatory, due to installation requirements of the MongoDB component 4.x+
 - Sage certify at the "top" level, latest patches of 8.x can be applied for the standalone JDK
 - NOTE: some Sage X3 components have embedded Java versions (Print Server, Classic Web)
 - Can install multiple JDK versions on one Server, for example if you wish to use latest certified JDK that Elastic Search supports
 - How to replace Oracle JRE/JDK by Zulu JRE/JDK
 - https://online-help.sageerpx3.com/erp/12/public/index.html
 - You don't have to use Zulu, for example can use OpenJDK



Crystal Reports Designer

Client components

Component	Update 9	Version 11	Version 12
MS/Office (32 and 64 bit editions). *Requires IE11	2010, 2013, 2016	2010, 2013, 2016	2010, 2013, 2016
MS/Office as part of Office 365 (32 and 64 bit editions) on-premise. No support for Office online. *Requires IE11	2013, 2016	2013, 2016	2013, 2016
MS/Outlook (32 and 64 bit editions).	2010, 2013, 2016	2010, 2013, 2016	2010, 2013, 2016
MS/Outlook as part of Office 365 (32 and 64 bit editions) on-premise. No support for Office online.	2013, 2016	2013, 2016	2013, 2016
llog	Win7, Win8.1, Win10		
Crystal Reports Designer	CR2013 and CR2016	CR2013 and CR2016	CR2013 and CR2016

Note: To use Crystal Reports Designer 2016, the Print Server version must be ≥ 2.18.

 NOTE: The latest X3 Print Server uses CR 2020 Runtime, so can read reports developed in previous versions of Crystal Designer



Anything else to discuss



Join in with the communities, can ask or respond to questions. Intended to be peer-peer:

(UK) Sage X3 community

https://www.sagecity.com/gb/sage-x3-uk/f/sage-x3-uk-general-discussion

(NA) Sage X3 community

https://www.sagecity.com/support_communities/sage_erp_x3/f/sage-x3-general-discussion-forum

(NA) Sage SEI community

https://www.sagecity.com/support_communities/sage_erp_x3/f/sage-enterprise-intelligence-for-sage-x3

A "Perfect" Case: What info we need from you when logging a Sage X3/ ERP case (Blog)

The quality of initial information provided when logging a new case is vital and helps us reduce the resolution time significantly. This helps us to help you more effectively, with the joint aim to assist the customer reach the best solution in the quickest time.

When logging a new case with X3 Support please take these steps:

- 1. Make sure you provide sufficient information and explain the due dilligence you have already completed before logging a new case. To help you gather this information, we have now put together two template documents you you need to complete and provide to us when raising a new case with Sage X3 Support.
- Case_Problem: This should be used for most cases where you are reporting some kind of problem or issue: 8540.Case_Problem_v1.0.docx
- Case_Question: If you have a simple question, such as "How to.." then use this template
 instead: 1616.Case_Question_v1.0.docx
- 2. Raise your new case, and attach the completed template
- 3. If you have any log files or other documents to upload to the case, remember to ZIP all files into one .zip file for ease of uploading

Additional notes

Whilst the templates attached above contain all the requested information; the sort of information being requested will be:

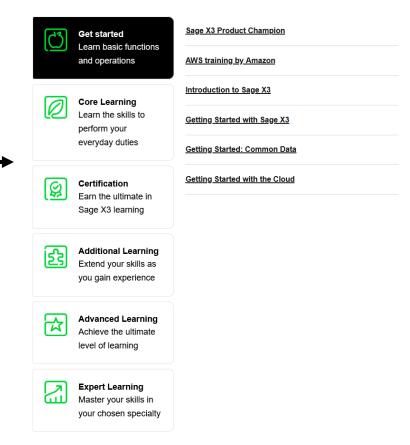
- 1. Customer Name: Helps us know your customer.
- 2. Product Name, Version and Patch level: Helps us investigate relevant code levels and to look for potential future fixes.
- 3. A Clear Business Impact: Helps us analyse the urgency of the issue. e.g., frequency, all users or just some, pattern of issue occurring, consistent or intermittent, which environments effected (LIVE/UAT/SEED).
- 4. A Clear Summary of the Issue: This is the most crucial part when logging a new case. Information MUST include below details in



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- Sage Certifications by Role <u>https://sageu.com/</u>



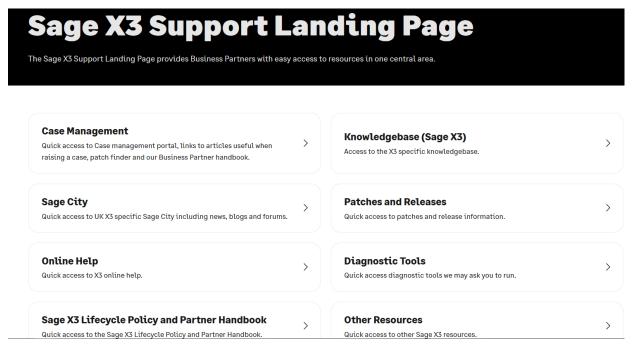




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"Ideas"

Enhancement requests are captured in the Sage City "Ideas" section. You can post ideas yourself with the procedure listed below, which will allow you to see any similar ideas already captured, and also see updates against your own idea once you have created a new entry:

- 1. Go to the Sage City UK at https://www.sagecity.com/gb/sage-x3-uk/
- 2. Select the "Ideas" tab (The direct URL is https://www.sagecity.com/support communities/sage erp x3/i)
- 3. To create a new idea, you will need to login, however you can register quickly and easily with just an email address
- 4. You may wish to review the existing ideas, for example in the "Administration and Support" section, as if something similar has already been reported you can post a comment and add your vote, which may increase the chance of the idea being implemented
- 5. If there is no existing idea similar to yours, then use the "+ New" button to submit your new idea



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Thank you!

