Knowledge base file (QKB3)

The Quaestor knowledge base file (*.QKB3) is the binary format for Quaestor knowledge bases.

This file contains all knowledge, thus:

- parameters, objects;
- expression between parameters and objects, contraints, functions;
- links to external programs and templates, etc.;
- taxonomies of entities;

Moreover, a knowledge base can contain "static" or generic data. With static data we mean data that is constant and can be seen as knowledge (information, data with a meaning).

Please note that the extension has been changed from *.qkb to *.qkb3 since the introduction of Quaestor 3. The binary has a different format, which is upgraded from *.qkb to *.qkb3 when you open an old knowledge base in Quaestor 3.

Knowledge based system

Together with Quaestor, it makes the development platform for knowledge based systems.

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Quaestor (.exe) + Knowledge base (.qkb3) = knowledge based system: A combination used by Knowledge Engineers.

Knowledge based application

Furthermore, it is the fundament for a Quaestor project file that contains al project specific data and solutions in the knowledge based system.

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Quaestor (.exe) + Knowledge base (.qkb3)+ Project (.qpf3) = (knowledge based) application: A combination used by End-Users or Domain Experts.