

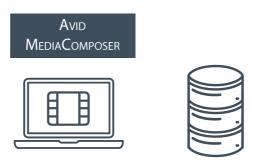
Overview

This document delineates a workflow for media indexing in the context of multiple Avid edit bays without Interplay. It introduces the PMRIndexer solution, aiming to guide users on overcoming the challenge of multiple Media Composer instances indexing the same folders in a network environment.

This paper offers a streamlined solution utilizing MediaGaps PMRIndexer to optimize and manage media indexing efficiently.

Solution Description

When working in an Avid Standalone environment with a single edit station using a local folder, Avid MediaComposer seamlessly indexes files from digit folders.



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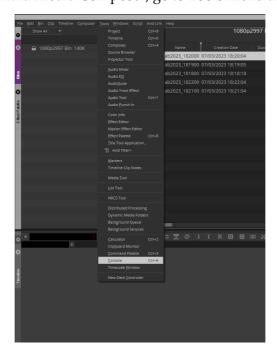
However, when working with a network folder instead of a local one, it becomes essential to map the network location as a drive and configure Avid MediaComposer to scan all available drives.



<MappedDrive>:\Avid MediaFiles\MXF\<number>

To set Avid Media Composer to scan all files, user must:

1. Open Avid Media Composer, go to Tools Menu and click in console

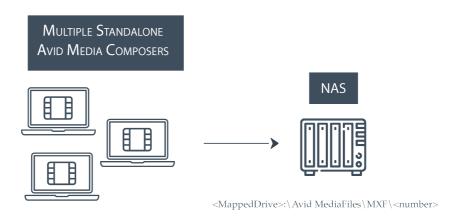


2. In console, write AllDrives

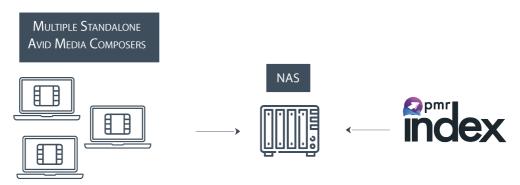


Access to the files in the mapped folder is now available.

In scenarios involving multiple edit stations connected to a network folder, all instances of Media Composer end up indexing the same folders.



To address this challenge effectively, the recommended solution is to implement the PMRIndexer.



<MappedDrive>:\Avid MediaFiles\MXF\<number>

Within the mapped drive, it is crucial to name the folder containing the files to be indexed with text or text and numbers (e.g., <server>.<number>). The PMRIndexer then generates the necessary .pmr files, enabling Media Composer to detect media files. This approach ensures that the control over the indexed files lies with PMRIndexer rather than Media Composer.

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