


# Basic concepts

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Concept	Description
<b>Borrowing</b>	<p>Using a floating license in the offline mode.</p> <p>If a license is used on a machine that is intermittently connected to the license server, the license can be borrowed from the server and used as an offline floating license. A license can be borrowed from a license server for the selected period of time (default 24 hours).</p> <p>The maximum license borrowing period is 2 months. If you would like to limit the maximum borrowing period, please contact your sales representative.</p>
<b>Configuration files</b>	<p>The files where your defined settings and environment options are stored.</p> <p>When upgrading your software, you can choose one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If you want to import the environment options from an earlier modeling tool or server version, select the location and click <b>Import</b>.</li><li>• If you are installing the software for the first time and/or do not want to use earlier environment options, click <b>Use Default</b>.</li></ul>
<b>License key</b>	<p>A license for the dedicated Host ID/Target ID received after purchase.</p>
<b>Floating license</b>	<p>The floating license allows you to install and use the same license on multiple machines. The FlexNet license server is used to manage floating licenses.</p>
<b>Host ID /Target ID</b>	<p>A combination of 12 numbers and letters (also known as the MAC Address or Physical Address), which identifies the network card of a machine. It is used to tie the license to a particular machine.</p>
<b>License type</b>	<p><b>Seat</b> (<i>Node/lock</i>). The license of a modeling tool dedicated to one working place.</p> <p><b>Floating</b> (<i>Shareable</i>). Allows you to install and use the same license of a modeling tool on multiple machines.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ffc107; padding: 5px;"><p> Please note, the license type of a modeling tool and a plugin used by this tool must be the same.</p></div>
<b>Vendor daemon</b>	<p>A program developed by CATIA / No Magic to implement the FlexNet license server. The vendor daemon tracks how many licenses are checked out and who has the licenses.</p>