Product Presentation





Description

1. BEST Studio is a simulation platform

BEST Studio enables simulations, tests and experiments that verify and improve systems.

2. BEST Studio is a testing tool

BEST Studio manages testing and development scenarios that can be used to refine software, systems or trading strategies.

3. BEST Studio is a team integration tool

BEST provides unified testing tool for all stages of product development.

4. BEST Studio is a product management tool

BEST Studio helps manage product development for improving product quality and reducing time-to-market for software systems or trading strategies.





- ✓ Minimize mistakes—mistakes mean money
- ✓ Time to market is critical
- ✓ Adapt to changes in communication protocols and market rules
- ✓ Engineers must improve product quality and increase their confidence in trading strategies



Value Proposition

BEST Studio saves money:

- ✓ How much does a software defect cost the company (in financial terms and good will)?
 - With BEST you can run scheduled regression tests on new components to make sure new features do not break existing functionality.
- ✓ How much does a capacity outage cost the company?
 - With BEST you can stress test each component of a system to determine the capacity and you can be proactive in solving any potential issues.
- ✓ How long does it take a trader to bring an algorithm online? And how much infrastructure is usually needed?
 - With BEST a trader can simulate the markets and test algorithms before a large capital expense is incurred. The algorithm can be tuned to be the most profitable using BEST instead of and before trading.



Who is BEST Studio for?

✓ Software Developers

For integration testing and agile but systematic revisions.

✓ QA Engineers

For regression, connectivity or performance testing.

✓ Algorithmic Traders

For testing strategies, with agile deterministic simulations..

✓ Analysts and Project Managers

For designing and developing products and strategies for modern marketplaces, working in teams or individually.



Business Users

| Case | Solutions Delivered |
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| High-Fidelity Market Simulation for Front Office Products | ▶ Realistic simulation system behavior within actual or artificial markets for use in development, design validation, tuning and comparative analysis. ▶ Convenient way to compare simulations across multiple data sets, code versions and business scenarios. |
| Evaluating Return on Investment in Collocation Facility | ▶ Predict and quantify benefits of investment in collocation facility without investing in trading infrastructure, data collection and analysis devices and legal/operating costs of collocation. |
| Cost benefit analysis of new products and trading platform launches for Exchanges and ECNs | ▶Estimate demand, opportunity and potential profitability of constructing new exchange platforms or adding new products to existing platforms, quickly and economically. ▶Determine optimal location and capacity of infrastructure supporting new products. |



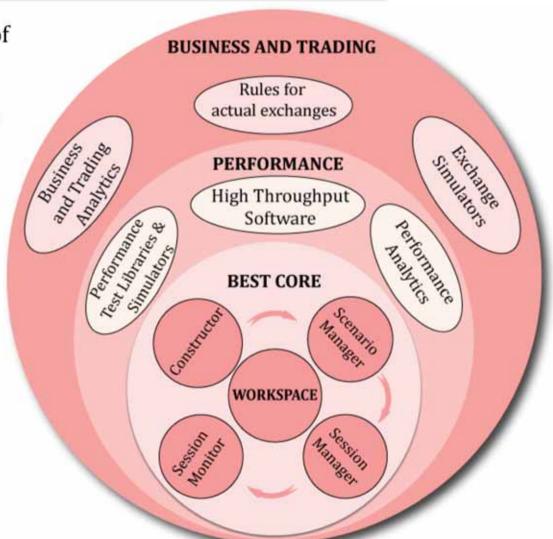
IT Users

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| Performance Testing Order Gateways | ▶ Reproduce different load scenarios for a live gateway application. ▶ Test the order gateway under high load using typical order types. ▶ Determine the throughput capacity of the application. ▶ Determine the latency of messages under different loads. |
| Functional SOR Testing | ▶Full control over both the simulated Order Books and the Market Data. ▶Test script controlling the parent orders and the market activity. ▶Tracking of each transaction through its complete lifecycle. ▶Validation of order parameters on every stage of a test script. |
| Functional OMS & DMA Testing | ▶Full coverage of business transactions (orders, quotes, trade reports). ▶Full spectrum of controllable market responses. ▶Complex test scenarios to cover any business logic. ▶Receiving consistent, reproducible results for regression tests. |



Structural Overview

BEST Studio consists of modules that can be combined to target analytical, technical or business users.





Configurations

Performance

For developers, testers and network engineers working with products sensitive to latencies and other performance bottlenecks. Performance Analytics

Performance Test Libraries & Simulators

High Throughput Software

Business and Trading

For Front Office Product and Strategy Developers, Product and Project Managers, Quantitative Analysts and Traders. Business and Trading Analytics

Rules for actual exchanges

Exchange Simulators

BEST Core

For QA engineers and core system developers.

Constructor

Scenario Manager

Session Manager

Session Monitor



Components

BEST Studio

WORKSPACE

Links BEST Studio with standard source control applications and QA packages.

CONSTRUCTOR

Builds virtual financial environments for developing and testing customers strategies and applications.

SESSION MANAGER

Runs and manages session results.

SCENARIO MANAGER

Defines and manages scenarios, tests and market data experiments.

SESSION MONITOR

Interprets session results and monitoring sessions in progress.

BEST Data Manager

- Records, processes and manages the market data used in tests and simulations.
- Stores session results for comparative analysis.
- Uses high-frequency data storage engine based on PostgreSQL for storing large volumes of data.
- Customers can link Data Manager to their databases without loss of functionality.

BEST Evolution

- Provides a historical view of product development.
- Navigate between different product versions, test versions, data and results.
- Organizes product versions, obtained business results and the conditions in which these results were obtained.
- Helps decision-makers to determine the best product development path and route to markets.

Test Libraries

Data Feeds Converters

Protocols Adapters