
Subject: Re: dataminer - where to start

Posted by [Robert Stockwell](#) on Mon, 12 Aug 2002 14:17:27 GMT

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Olaf Stetzer wrote:

> Robert Stockwell schrieb:

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>> My question is where do I find documentation on dataminer,

>> and what functions/classes etc are available?

>> Is dataminer a seperate package that I buy from RSI?

>> Has any one used this? Has it been discontinued by RSI?

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> First, like others said before, DM is a product from RSI, and

> IMHO quiet expensive for the "little" functionality added.

> Ther ODBC drivers are third party software, the DM itself

> contains more ore less only two objects, one for a ODBC

> connection and one for recordsets (very much like in VB).

> Although you can do quiet a lot with that I find it very

> limited. I have written a bunch of functions to ease the

> use of these objects (if anyone is intereseted please

> email me).

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> We are using mysql here, it comes with own ODBC-drivers

> which work nicely with the windows version of IDL. The

> DM was not available for Unix with IDL versions prior to 5.5.

> Unfortunately I didn't get it to work with mysql yet. Other

> databases for which the ODBC-drivers are shipped with the DM) may

> work though.

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> Docs: If you have a working installation of IDL you should be able

> to read the pdf version of the Dataminer Manual which is normally

> installed togehter with the other manuals.

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> Olaf

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Thanks Olaf (and Mark Hadfield) for the response. Dataminer looks exactly like what I will need to do. Thanks for the tip about the pdf file. That is a tremendous help. It didn't occur to me to look under /docs for that info. I had searched through the help system to no avail.

Cheers,
bob
