

Using FrameMaker for Shared Content: An unstructured approach

You don't have to switch to Structured FrameMaker or XML to share content. Unstructured FrameMaker may be all you need. FrameMaker's text inset, conditional text, and variables features can enable you to share content with others in your workplace and single-source output to a variety of types of documentation delivery.

Topics for Discussion:

- Managing FrameMaker book content with text insets and container files
- Using variables and conditional text for sharing text insets
- Publishing books in different output formats
- Managing unstructured content with your operating system's file system
- Topic-based review strategies for scrum development environments

1. Managing FrameMaker book content with text insets and container files.

Basic building blocks: **Book files** containing **container files** containing **text inset files**.

You will also need a **book-of-text-insets file** to maintain your text insets. Global searching and spell checking will need to be done in the book-of-text-insets.

Book A

Container: Chapter 1
Text Inset: Topic 1
Text Inset: Topic 2
Container: Chapter 2
Text Inset: Topic 3
Text Inset: Topic 4
Text Inset: Topic 5
Container: Chapter 3
Text Inset: Topic 6
Text Inset: Topic 7

Book B

Container: Chapter 1
Text Inset: Topic 1
Text Inset: Topic 2
Container: Chapter 2
Text Inset: Topic 3
Text Inset: Topic 5
Container: Chapter 3
Text Inset: Topic 7

2. Using variables and conditional text for sharing text insets

Example Variables: Book Title, Product Name

Example Conditions: Product 1, Product 2, User's Guide, Admin Guide

Variables/Conditions Files: Maintain one file per book that contains all the variables and conditions for that book. Import variables and conditions from the Variables/Conditions file into all container files in the book. You will also need a Variables/Conditions file for your book-of-text-insets file to import variables and conditions into your text insets.

Text insets get their variable and condition definitions from the file that contains them.

OAG (Optimize for Process Admin Guide) text

Database Information
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MAG (Optimize for Infrastructure Admin Guide) text

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Text Inset text

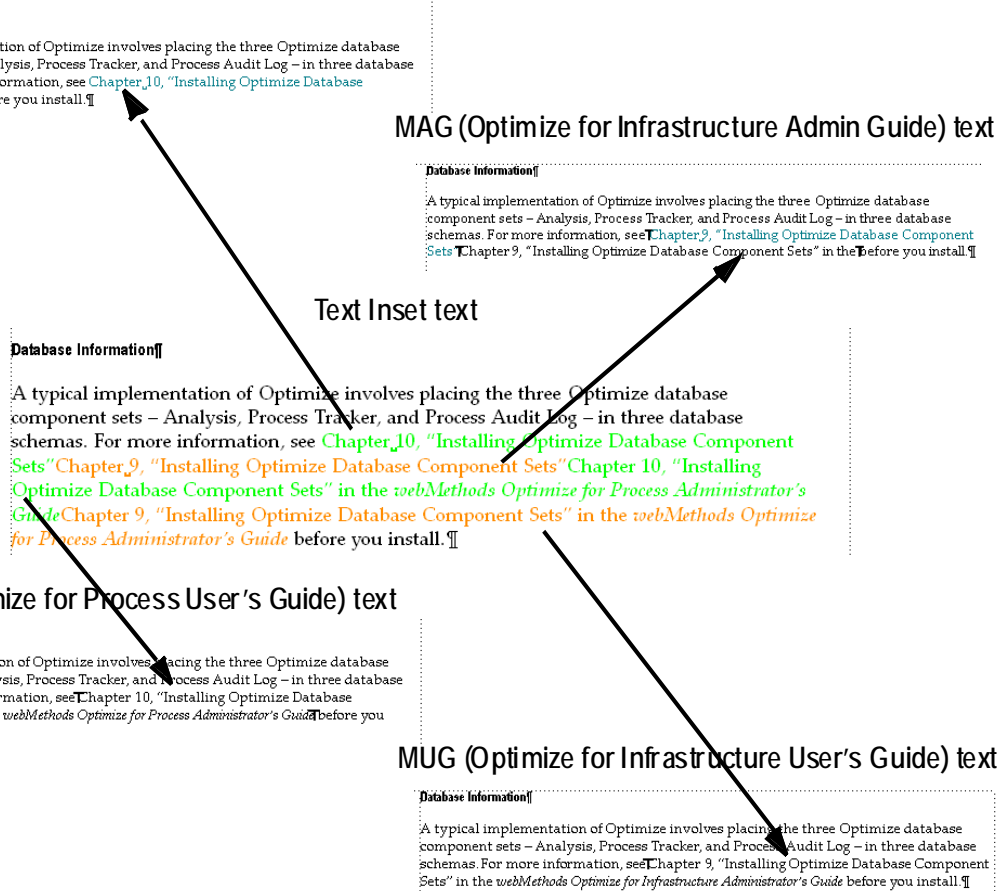
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OUG (Optimize for Process User's Guide) text

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3. Publishing books in different output formats

- **Print:** (from Frame)
Print on demand, camera-ready, review
- **PDF:** (from Frame, with Distiller and Acrobat Professional)
Print on demand, camera-ready, online documentation, Web publishing, review
- **HTML:** (from Frame, WebWorks ePublisher, MIF2Go)
Online documentation, Web publishing
- **XML:** (from Frame, WebWorks ePublisher, MIF2Go)
XML, DITA
- **Online Help:** (from WebWorks ePublisher/Madcap/MIF2Go/RoboHelp)
WinHelp, MS HTML Help, Browser-based HTML Help, Web Help, JavaHelp, Oracle Help, XML Help, Eclipse Help

4. Managing unstructured content with your operating system's file system

Book A

Book file.book

Container 1.fm

Container 2.fm

Container 3.fm

Book B

Book file.book

Container 1.fm

Container 2.fm

Container 3.fm

Topics

Book-of-text-insets file.book

Category A

Topic 1.fm

Topic 2.fm

Topic 3.fm

Topic 4.fm

Category B

Topic 5.fm

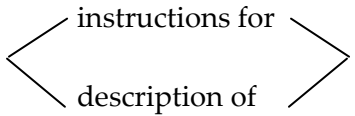
Topic 6.fm


Topic 7.fm

5. Topic-based review strategies for Scrum development environments

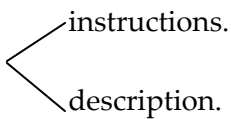
Documentation User Stories

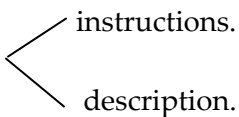
Templates:

<User> finds  <topic> in <document>.

Instructions  completely and accurately explain how to <topic>.

Tasks:

<Doc team member> writes  instructions.
description.

<QA team member> verifies  instructions.
description.

XPlanner







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Optimize 7.1
 « Sprint 7 - Foundation »
 « [AGG][DOC]Administrator gets instructions for preserving aggregated data during data purge »

Story: [AGG][DOC]Administrator gets instructions for preserving aggregated data during data purge [id=8263] **3.0**

Action: Administrator finds aggregated data instructions in Admin Guide.
Result: Instructions completely and accurately explain how aggregated data are preserved during data purge.

Priority: 4 **Estimated Hours:** 3.0 (3.0)
Customer: [Andrea](#) **Actual Hours:** 3.0
Tracker: [James Ramsay](#) **Remaining Hours:** 0.0
Last Update: 2007-06-07 12:31 **Disposition:** Planned
Status: Estimated

Actions	ID	Task Name	Type	Progress	Acc.	Ori.	Est.	Rem.	Disp.	Type
  	8320	Verify instruction	FTest	<div style="width: 100%; background-color: green;"></div>	1.0 DK	1.0	1.0	0.0	Planned	FTest
  	8319	Write instructions	Feature	<div style="width: 100%; background-color: green;"></div>	2.0 JR	2.0	2.0	0.0	Planned	Feature

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Notes: [Add Note/Attachment](#)

user: jramsay (Logout) Version 0.7b7 built 05/23/2006 (rev.1142)

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