imc FAMOS Database Kit

Manual

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2 imc FAMOS Database Kit

2.1 Overview

This Kit provides functions for accessing databases. The data can be transferred either from the database to FAMOS, or vice-versa from FAMOS to the database. The Kit provides access to:

- Oracle 10g, 11g, 12c
- MS SQL Server 2005, 2008 or higher
- MySQL 5.5, 5.6
- Microsoft SQL Server Compact Edition 4.0
- Database systems about ODBC

The prerequisite is imc FAMOS 7.0 or a higher version.

Multithreading: All functions of the database kit may only be called in the standard-execution thread. A call within a BEGIN_PARALLEL block (i.e. within sequence functions executed in a separate thread) is not allowed.

2.2 Registration in imc FAMOS

To be able to use Database-Kit in FAMOS, it must be registed for use. In a normally proceeding installation, this registration is performed automatically.

You can register the Kit in FAMOS by means of the menu function "Extra-Options...". In the dialog "Options", select in the tree diagram at left the entry "Register Kits". On the right-side portion, all available Kits are listed. This list should also contain a line for the Database-Kit [imc.Database.Kit.dll]. Put a check-mark in its box.

If this entry is not visible, see the the FAMOS documentation for more information on registering Kits.

2.3 General Remarks

The results of database queries are converted to FAMOS data sets and text arrays. The data sets and text arrays are assigned the names of the columns.
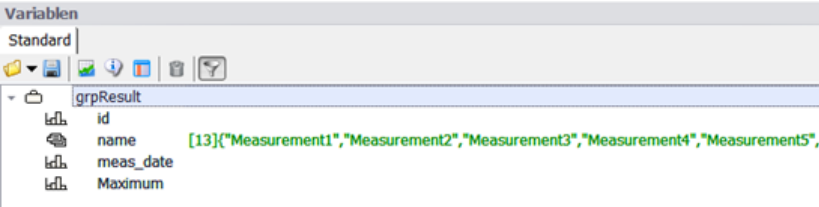
This example is intended to illustrate the conversion. The table Measurement contains the numerical columns ID and MAXIMUM, the text column NAME and the date column MEAS_DATE.

ID	NAME	MEAS_DATE	MAXIMUM	CHANNEL
1	Measurement1	09.03.2016 13:13:32	1	(BLOB)
2	Measurement2	09.03.2016 14:13:32	3,82496849378741	(BLOB)
3	Measurement3	09.03.2016 15:13:32	0,320041578015869	(BLOB)
4	Measurement4	09.03.2016 16:13:32	2,64935681100215	(BLOB)
5	Measurement5	09.03.2016 17:13:32	2,74747282670068	(BLOB)
6	Measurement6	09.03.2016 18:13:32	3,00608310079082	(BLOB)
7	Measurement7	09.03.2016 19:13:32	1,73873518538076	(BLOB)
8	Measurement8	09.03.2016 20:13:32	0,395253992323166	(BLOB)
9	Measurement9	09.03.2016 21:13:32	0,335265071347379	(BLOB)
10	Measurement10	09.03.2016 22:13:32	0,799256211719984	(BLOB)
11	Measurement11	09.03.2016 23:13:32	1,12312582908058	(BLOB)
12	Measurement12	10.03.2016 00:13:32	1,11346559533383	(BLOB)
13	Measurement13	10.03.2016 01:13:32	0,677204445594718	(BLOB)

The query:

```
grpResult =DbSelect(ConnectID,"SELECT Id, Name, Meas_Date, Maximum FROM
Measurement WHERE Id > 4","")
```

generates the group grpResult in FAMOS. The conversion to data sets and text arrays appears as follows in FAMOS' Variables list:

grpResult			
ID	Name	MEAS_DATE	MAXIMUM
5	Measurement5	1140682820.0000	34.8900
6	Measurement6	1140682860.0000	42.7700
7	Measurement7	1140683400.0000	51.0100
8	Measurement8	1140684361.0000	46.8900
9	Measurement9	1140684620.0000	47.0800
10	Measurement10	1140685260.0000	45.6000
11	Measurement11	1140685425.0000	50.0000
12	Measurement12	1140685521.0000	48.3000
13	Measurement13	1140685595.0000	46.9870

| Data set	Text array	Data set	Data set

The columns ID and MAXIMUM are each converted to a normal data set. The column MEAS_DATE is converted to a data set in the imc time format. A text array is derived from the column NAME. All group elements are joined together to a group. All group elements have the same size.

In the opposite procedure, meaning when inserting or updating data in the database table, the contents of a FAMOS group's group elements are converted to the data types of a database table's columns and written to the database. The conversion always is oriented to the data type of the database table's column.

2.4 Functions

2.4.1 Database connection

Functions for establishing and ending a database connection

DbInitialize [12]	Establishes a defined initial kit condition
DbConnect [12]	Sets up a connection to a database server
DbDisconnect [15]	Ends a connection

2.4.1.1 DbInitialize

Initialization of the Database-Kit

Declaration:

DbInitialize () -> KitVersion

Parameter:

KitVersion	Kit version number

Description:

This function initializes the Database-Kit. A defined initial state of the kit is established. Any transactions are concluded with a rollback. All connection objects and the internal error memory are cleared. The function returns the kit's version number. This return value is a pure formality.

It is recommended to call this function at the start of every sequence.

Multithreading:

All functions of the database kit may only be called in the standard-execution thread. A call within a BEGIN_PARALLEL block (i.e. within sequence functions executed in a separate thread) is not allowed.

2.4.1.2 DbConnect

Connects with a database server

Declaration:

DbConnect (ServerType,TxServerName,TxDatabaseName,TxUserName,TxPassword, TxExtConnectionString) -> ConnectId

Parameter:

ServerType	Type of database system
	1: Microsoft SQL Server Compact Edition 4.0 by means of ADO.Net Provider
	2: Microsoft SQL Server (2005, 2008) by means of ADO.Net Provider
	3: Oracle (10g, 11g, 12c) by means of Oracle Data Provider for .NET
	4: MySQL Server (5.5, 5.6) by means of MySQL Connector/NET
	5: ODBC
TxServerName	Name of server
TxDatabaseName	Name of database
TxUserName	User name for logging on to server
TxPassword	Password for the specified user name
TxExtConnectionString	Extension of the standard connection string
ConnectId	Connection identifier
	>= 1 : Valid connection identifier
	< 0 : Error code

Description:

A connection to the specified database server is set up. The precondition is that an appropriate ADO.Net provider be installed on the PC.

Access to the database systems requires the following ADO.Net providers:

ServerType	ADO.Net Provider
1 (SQL Server Compact)	Microsoft SQL Server Compact Data Provider 4.0
2 (SQL Server)	.Net Framework Data Provider for SqlServer
3 (Oracle)	Oracle Data Provider for .NET (manufactured by Oracle)
4 (MySQL)	.Net Framework Data Provider for MySQL
5 (ODBC)	A suitable ODBC driver must be installed.

A connection string is constructed from the function's parameters. Then a connection object is created and a connection test is conducted. If the connection test is successful, a connection identifier is returned. This connection identifier represents a connection to a database system. It needs to be specified in all subsequent functions as the first parameter.

If an error occurs, it is possible to retrieve the error text using the function DbGetLastErrorText(). The call DbGetLastErrorText() must be made with the parameter ConnectId = 0.

- TxServerName specifies the name of the database servers.
- TxDatabaseName specifies the name of the database to use.
- The parameter TxUserName is the user name for logging onto the server. If TxUserName and TxPassword are empty, then the logging on is accomplished via the Windows authentication (at this time, only possible with the Microsoft SQL Server).
- The parameter TxPassword contains the password for the specified user name.
- Via TxExtConnectionString, it is possible to set additional elements in the connection string.

For the use of the ODBC interface a system data source must be created and established (choice of the ODBC driver, database server, database and other specific connection parameter). A connecting test should be carried out in the ODBC manager. The name of this system data source is submitted to the function DbConnect() as the parameter TxServerName.

The connection strings are constructed from the function parameters as follows.

ServerType	
1 (SQL Server Compact)	Data Source= **TxDatabaseName**;Password= **TxPassword**;Persist Security Info=False; **TxExtConnectionString**
2 (SQL Server)	With TxUserName and TxPassword Server= **TxServerName**; Initial Catalog=**TxDatabaseName** ; Integrated Security= False;User Id= **TxUserName**; Password= **TxPassword**; Persist Security Info=False; **TxExtConnectionString** Without TxUserName und TxPassword Server= **TxServerName**; Initial Catalog=**TxDatabaseName** ; Integrated Security= True; Persist Security Info=False; **TxExtConnectionString**
3 (Oracle)	Data Source= **TxServerName**; User Id= **TxUserName**; Password= **TxPassword**; **TxExtConnectionString**
4 (MySQL)	Server= **TxServerName**; Database= **TxDatabaseName**; Uid= **TxUserName**; Pwd= **TxPassword**; **TxExtConnectionString**
5 (ODBC)	Dsn= **TxServerName**; uid= **TxUserName**;pwd= **TxPassword**; **TxEntConnectionsString;**

Multithreading:

All functions of the database kit may only be called in the standard-execution thread. A call within a BEGIN_PARALLEL block (i.e. within sequence functions executed in a separate thread) is not allowed.

Examples:

A connection is set up to an MS SQLServer Compact Edition 4.0. the database is not password-protected.

```
DbInitialize()
ConnectId =DbConnect(1,"","D:\DatanbaseStorage\Sample1\sample.sdf","","","")
if ConnectId < 0
    errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(0,1)
    exitsequence 1
end
```

A connection to an MS SQL Server is set up by means of Windows authentication.

```
DbInitialize()
ConnectId=DbConnect(2,"MyPC\SQL2008EXPRESS","SampleDB","","","")
if ConnectId < 0
    errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(0,1)
    exitsequence 1
end
```

A connection to an Oracle database server is set up without using the tnsnames.ora file.

```
DbInitialize()
ConnectId=DbConnect(3,"(DESCRIPTION=(ADDRESS_LIST=(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=TCP)
                (HOST=localhost)(PORT=1522)))(CONNECT_DATA=
                (SERVER=DEDICATED)(SERVICE_NAME=orcl.berlin.imc-
                berlin.de)))","","MyUsername","MyPassword","")
if ConnectId < 0
    errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(0,1)
    exitsequence 1
end
```

A connection to an Oracle database server is set up by using the tnsnames.ora file.

```
DbInitialize()
ConnectId = DbConnect(3,"ORCL","","MyUsername"," MyPassword","")
if ConnectId < 0
    errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(0,1)
    exitsequence 1
end
```

A connection is set up to a MySql-server, which operates via the TCP-port 3307. The port number is specified as an extension of the connection string.

```
DbInitialize()
ConnectId=DbConnect(4,"localhost","Sample_DB","MyUsername",
"MyPassword ", "port=3307;")
if ConnectId < 0
     errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(0,1)
exitsequence 1
end
```

A connection is set up to a MySQL- server about ODBC. A system data source is established with the name "DSN_MySQL" in the ODBC manager.

```
DbInitialize()
ConnectId = DbConnect(5,"DSN_MySQL","","MyUsername","MyPassword","")
if ConnectId < 0
     errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(0,1)
     EXITSEQUENCE
end
```

References:

   DbDisconnect 15 , DbGetLastErrorText 29 , DbGetLastErrorCode 31

2.4.1.3 DbDisconnect

Disconnects the connection to a database server.

Declaration:

DbDisConnect (ConnectId) -> ErrorCode

Parameter:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
ErrorCode	= 0: no error
	< 0: error code

Description:

The connection to a database server is disconnected. An error can only occur if an invalid connection identifier was transferred.

The functions DbConnect() and DbDisConnect() should always be called in conjunction with each other.

Examples:

A connection is established with an Oracle database server. In that case, the system accesses the database system. In the end, the connection is disconnected.

```
ConnectId = DbConnect(3,"ORCL","","MyUsername"," MyPassword","")
:
:
errorcode = DbDisconnect(ConnectId)
```

References:

DbConnect 12 , DbGetLastErrorText 29 , DbGetLastErrorCode 31

2.4.2 Data Access

Functions for accessing the database

DbSql 16	Executes a SQL-instruction
DbSelect 17	Executes a SELECT instruction with return of data
DbInsert 19	Executes an INSERT instruction with data linkage for multiple database rows
DbUpdate1 22	Executes an UPDATE instruction with data transfer
DbUpdate 25	Repeated execution of an UPDATE instruction with data transfer

2.4.2.1 DbSql

Executes an SQL-instruction

Declaration:

DbSql (ConnectId, TxSqlStatement) -> Result

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
TxSqlStatement	SQL-instruction to be executed This instruction is transferred unchanged to the database system.
Result	>= 0: number of rows affected
	< 0: error code

Description:

With this function, it is possible to execute SQL-instructions which do not return results (UPDATE, INSERT, DELETE) (DML commands). However, it is also possible to execute such DDL commands as "ALTER TABLE Measurement ADD MyCol INTEGER", for example. Once a DML-command has been successfully executed, the return value is the number of rows affected. With a DDL-command, this value is 0 upon successful execution.

The function performs the following operations:
- The connection to the database server is opened.
- Starting of a database transaction
- Execution of the SQL-instruction TxSqlStatement
- If any errors occurred, a rollback is performed.
- If the SQL instruction was performed successfully, it is concluded with Commit.
- The connection to the database server is closed.

Examples:

All values in the column "Status" are set to "Ready".
```
result =DbSql(ConnectId,"Update Measurement set Status ='Ready'")
if result < 0
    errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectId,1)
end
```

The column "MyCol" with the data type Integer is added to the table "Measurement".
```
result =DbSql(ConnectId,"ALTER TABLE Measurement ADD MyCol Integer")
if result < 0
    errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectId,1)
end
```

References:

   DbGetLastErrorText 29 , DbGetLastErrorCode 31 , DbInsert 19 , DbUpdate1 22 , DbUpdate 25

2.4.2.2 DbSelect

Execution of a SELECT instruction, with return of the data

Declaration:

DbSelect (ConnectId, TxSqlStatement, TxTimeColumn) -> GrpResult

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
TxSqlStatement	SQL SELECT instruction This instruction is transferred unchanged to the database system.
TxTimeColumn	The content of this column is used to assign a time track to the numerical group elements. This specification is optional.
GrpResult	This group contains the result of the query. The columns selected are converted to data sets and text arrays and returned as a FAMOS group. In case of an error, an empty group is returned.

Description:

With this function, an SQL SELECT-instruction is executed. The function performs the following operations:
- The connection to the database server is opened.
- The SELECT-instruction is executed.
- The results are saved in intermediate storage in a memory-table.
- The connection to the database server is closed.
- The contents of the memory-table are converted to data sets and text arrays. These are joined together to a FAMOS group.

Each column results in a group element of the same name (data set or text array). The number of rows imported determines the size of the group elements. The section "Conversion of the Data 33 " contains an overview of how the data types of the columns are converted to FAMOS objects.

The SQL SELECT instruction is transferred without change to the database server.

It is to be noted that column names may need to appear in quotation marks under some circumstances. Reference values consisting of a string or a date must be bracketed in apostrophes. With this function, it is also possible to import contents from multiple tables. The SELECT instruction must be constructed accordingly.

If a query contains one or more Blob columns, the result may only consist of one row. The values of the Blob-column arrays each result in just one data set. If the query returns multiple resulting rows, then the Blob-columns are not converted.

If the query was faulty, an empty group is returned. In this case, it is possible to retrieve the error code using the function DbGetLastErrorCode().

If the parameter TxTimeColumn is set and if it corresponds to a numerical column, then all other numerical columns are converted to XY-data sets, with the time column as the X-component.

The optional parameter TimeStampMap = yes is used to set that all columns of the types Date or Time are converted to a text array. By default, these columns are converted to a normal data set in the imc time format.

With the optional parameter NumericAsDouble = yes, all numerical columns are converted to data sets in 8-Byte Real (double) format. In the default case, the conversion is documented as presented in the section "Converting the data 33".

Example:

The query

```
sqlStatement="SELECT Id,~034A B~034 ,Name FROM Measurement"
grpResult = DbSelect(ConnectID, sqlStatement,"")
```

returns a group.

The group contains the normal data sets ID and A B as well as the text array Name.

One special feature in this query is the column A B. Since the name contains a space, this column must appear in quotation marks. Since the query was sent to an Oracle database server, the quotations marks must be used here. In the FAMOS sequence, the substitute character ~034 must be used.

With this query, all columns of the table Measurement are supposed to be imported.

```
grpResult = DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select * from Measurement WHERE Id > 0","")
errorcode=DbGetLastErrorCode(ConnectID,0)
if errorcode < 0
    ; posts a warning, since the column CHANNEL is a Blob-column
    ; and the result contains multiple rows
    errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
    BoxMessage("Error",errortext,"S1")
end
```

Since the column CHANNEL is a Blob-column and there are multiple rows in the result, the function returns an error. The contents of the Blob-column can not be converted. For this reason, the results group contains only the group elements ID, NAME, MEAS_DATE and MAXIMUM; the group element CHANNEL is missing. If the contents of the Blob-column are also to be read and converted, the query would have to be changed so that only one result row per query would be generated.

```
grpResult = DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select * from Measurement WHERE Id = 1","")
```

References:

DbGetLastErrorText 29 , DbGetLastErrorCode 31 , DbOption 32

2.4.2.3 DbInsert

Execution of INSERT instructions with data linkage for multiple database rows.

Declaration:

DbInsert (ConnectId, TxTableName, GrpInsertValues) -> Result

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
TxTableName	Name of the database table in which values are to be inserted
GrpInsertValues	The FAMOS group contains data used for transfer to the database. Each sample from the group elements initiates INSERT of a new row into the table
Result	>= 0: Number of rows inserted
	< 0: Error code

Description:

With this function, data from FAMOS-objects can be inserted into a database table. The names of the data sets and text arrays in the group must be present in the database table as columns. All element contained in the group are inserted into the table. The data sets and text arrays of the group must have the same size. The size determines the number of table rows inserted.

If any Blob-column is included, then the size of the group elements may only be 1. The name of the data set corresponding to the Blob-column is inserted into the table's one array. If the size of the group elements is > 1, then only the data with the first index are inserted.

The function performs the following operations:

- An empty memory table of the specified table is created.
- The data sets and text arrays of the FAMOS group are checked against the memory table.
  Does a column having the same name exist for each group element?
  Do all group elements have the same number of values?
  Are all data sets belonging to the FAMOS group of the data type "Normal" ?
- The data from the FAMOS group's elements are converted and saved in the memory table for intermediate storage. The conversion is always oriented to the data type of the database table's column.
- The connection to the database server is opened.
- A database transaction is started.
- An INSERT instruction is constructed from the table name and the name of the group elements. All column names appear in quotation marks.
- For each row of the memory-table, an INSERT command with the associated values is sent to the database server.
- If errors occurred in the course of executing INSERT, a rollback is performed.
- If all INSERT commands were executed successfully, a commit is performed.
- The connection to the database server is closed.

Examples:

A new row with a Blob-column is generated.

```
; --- Inserting a channel as a Blob ----------------------------
; --- Important! Only one row can be loaded -----------
grpResult = DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select * from Measurement  WHERE Id = 1","")
errorcode = DbGetLastErrorCode(ConnectID,0)
if errorcode < 0
      errortext = DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
      BoxMessage("Error",errortext,"S1")
end
; --- Determining a new ID value for the insertion -----------------
grpMax = DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select Max(Id) AS MaxID from Measurement ","")
maxid = grpMax:MaxID[1]
grpResult:ID[1]=maxid+1
; --- Loading the channel Sintest1 --------------------------------
FileLoad("Sintest1.dat","",0)
grpResult:CHANNEL=sintest1
; --- Saving the triggering time as a date ------------------------
grpResult:Meas_Date[1]=Time?(grpResult:CHANNEL)
grpResult:Name[1] ="Sintest1"
grpResult:Maximum[1]=Max(sintest1)
; --- The channel is inserted into the table as a Blob -------------
; --- Important! The group elements may only have the size 1 -----
Result = DbInsert(ConnectID,"Measurement",grpResult)
if result < 0
      errortext = DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
      BoxMessage("Error",errortext,"S1")
end
```

Multiple rows are imported from the table, edited and inserted as new rows.

```
grpResult =DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select Id, Name, Meas_Date, Maximum from
                    Measurement WHERE Id > 5 And Name like 'Mess%' ","")
; --- Determining new ID value for the insertion -----------------
grpMax = DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select Max(Id) AS MaxID from Measurement ","")
; --- Setting new ID values for the insertion -------------------
maxid = grpMax:MaxID[1]+1
FOREACH SAMPLE s in grpResult:ID
     s=s+maxid
END
; --- Setting a new name for the insertion ----------------------
FOREACH ELEMENT s in grpResult:NAME
     s=s+"_New"
END
; --- Setting new date for the insertion ----------------------
FOREACH SAMPLE s in grpResult:MEAS_DATE
     s=s+ 86400
END
; --- Setting new maximum for the insertion -------------------
FOREACH SAMPLE s in grpResult:Maximum
     s=0
END
; --- Beginning transaction (not actually necessary, ---------
; --- serves to test the functions DbBeginTransaction() and  ---
; --- DbEndTransaction() ---------------------------------------
DbBeginTransaction(ConnectID)
; --- Inserting group in the table Measurement -------------------
result=DbInsert(ConnectID,"Measurement",grpResult)
if result < 0
     errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
     BoxMessage("Error",errortext,"S1")
     ; --- Concluding transaction with a Rollback ----------
     DbEndTransaction(ConnectId,0)
Else
     ; --- Concluding transaction with a Commit ------------
     DbEndTransaction(ConnectId,1)
End
```

References:

DbGetLastErrorText [29], DbGetLastErrorCode [31], DbBeginTransaction [27], DbEndTransaction [29]

2.4.2.4 DbUpdate1

Executes an SQL-update instruction

Declaration:

DbUpdate1 (ConnectId, TxSqlStatement, GrpUpdateValues, SampleIndex) -> Result

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
TxSqlStatement	SQL UPDATE instruction The values to be set are not specified in the instruction, but only placeholders of the type "?Name of the group element".
GrpUpdateValues	Contains updating data and data for the WHERE-condition The FAMOS group contains data used for updating and for the WHERE-condition. Only such data belonging to the group elements are used which are addressed by the SampleIndex.
SampleIndex	Updating of the database values (1...) is only performed on data from the group elements which are addressed by the SampleIndex.
Result	>= 0: Number of updated rows
	< 0: Error code

Description:

With this function, an UPDATE-instruction is executed. The UPDATE-instruction must be specified completely as a TxSqlStatement. The placeholder to use for the group element values to be replaced is the question mark **? +Name of the group element**. The placeholders in the SET-portion and in the WHERE-condition are replaced with data from the group GrpUpdateValues.

For the Update-instruction, only such data belonging to the group elements are used which are addressed by the SampleIndex. This group may contain more group elements than required for the Update-instruction. Only such group elements are used which are specified in the Update-instruction.

The function performs the following operations:
- The SQL UPDATE-instruction is tested for the presence of the keywords UPDATE and SET.
- The table name is determined from the UPDATE-instruction. An empty memory table of the specified table is created.
- In the SET-portion, the columns to be updated are determined. The placeholder "**?Name of group element**" is replaced with a named parameter of the database system. For the column, a group element having the same name must be present in the group GrpUpdateValues.
- In the WHERE-condition, the "?Name of group element"-placeholders are replaced with named parameters of the database system. For the column, a group element having the same name must be present in the group GrpUpdateValues.
- The data addressed via the SampleIndex are converted to the corresponding data types of the memory-table.
- The connection to the database server is opened.
- A database transaction is started.
- The UPDATE-instruction is executed.
- If errors occurred, a rollback is performed.
- If all UPDATE commands were executed successfully, a commit is performed.
- The connection to the database server is closed.

Examples:

The MAXIMUM of the row with the ID-value 11 is to be set to 0.

```
grpResult =DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select Id,Name,Meas_Date,Maximum from
                 Measurement", "")
grpResult:Maximum[11]=0;
updatestatement="update Measurement set Maximum=?Maximum where Id =?Id "
result=DbUpdate1(ConnectId,updatestatement,grpResult,11)
if result < 0
     errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
     BoxMessage("Error",errortext,"S1")
End
```

To begin, the values of the columns ID, NAME, MEAS_DATE and MAXIMUM are imported.

The following illustration shows the components of the FAMOS group. The 11th value of the data set MAXIMUM is set to 0.

The UPDATE-instruction "Update Measurement Set Maximum=?Maximum Where Id =?ID" contains 2 placeholders. The first placeholder is in the SET-portion and the second in the WHERE-condition.

The placeholders are replaced with the concrete values imported from the SampleIndex = 11. The columns NAME and Meas_Date are also in this group, but they are ignored since only the columns MAXIMUM and ID appear with a placeholder in the UPDATE-instruction. In this case, the UPDATE-command

<center>"Update Measurement Set Maximum=0 Where Id =11"</center>

is sent to the database server. The function's result is 1, since the WHERE-condition only permits one row in the database table.

	Sample Index	ID	Name	MEAS_DATE	MAXIMUM
				grpResult	
	1	1	Measurement1	1140681480.0000	45.3000
	2	2	Measurement2	1140681600.0000	39.8000
	3	3	Measurement3	1140681800.0000	46.0000
	4	4	Measurement4	1140682470.0000	43.9990
	5	5	Measurement5	1140682820.0000	34.8900
	6	6	Measurement6	1140682860.0000	42.7700
	7	7	Measurement7	1140683400.0000	51.0100
	8	8	Measurement8	1140684361.0000	46.8900
	9	9	Measurement9	1140684620.0000	47.0800
	10	10	Measurement10	1140685260.0000	45.6000
->	11	11	Measurement11	1140685425.0000	50.0000 -> 0
	12	12	Measurement12	1140685521.0000	48.3000
	13	13	Measurement13	1140685595.0000	46.9870

↑	↑
This group element is used in the WHERE-condition.	This group element is used in the UPDATE-clause

In the next example, the values of MAXIMUM are to be set to 1000 wherever the name ends with 1x.

```
grpResult =DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select Id,Name,Meas_Date,Maximum from
                Measurement", "")
grpResult:Maximum[1]=1000;
updatestatement="update Measurement set Maximum=?Maximum where Name LIKE '%
                1_' "
result=DbUpdate1(ConnectId,updatestatement,grpResult, 1)
if result < 0
      errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
      BoxMessage("Error",errortext,"S1")
end
```

Once the columns have been imported, the value of Maximum having the SampleIndex = 1 is set to 1000.

In the UPDATE-instruction, there is only a placeholder in the SET-portion. The WHERE-condition "Name LIKE '% 1_' " finds 4 rows to be updated. The function's result is 4.

The following sequence steps update a channel in a Blob-column.

```
grpResult =DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select Id, Name,Meas_Date,Maximum,Channel
from Measurement where ID=10 ","")
; --- Loading channel Sintest1 ------------------------------------------
FileLoad("Sintest1.dat","",0)
; --- The data set sintest1 is assigned to the group element Channel -
grpResult:CHANNEL=sintest1
updatestatement="update Measurement set channel=?channel where Id =?Id"
result=DbUpdate1(ConnectId,updatestatement,grpResult, 1)
if result < 0
      errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
      BoxNachricht("Fehler",errortext,"S1")
end
```

The row with the ID = 10 is imported from the database table. The channel sintest1 is imported and assigned to the group element CHANNEL. By running DbUpdate1(), the entire channel is assigned to the Blob-array CHANNEL in the table row having the ID=10. The result of the function is 1.

References

[DbSelect](#) `17`, [DbUpdate](#) `25`, [DbGetLastErrorText](#) `29`, [DbGetLastErrorCode](#) `31`, [DbBeginTransaction](#) `27`, [DbEndTransaction](#) `29`

2.4.2.5 DbUpdate

Repeated execution of an SQL-Update instruction

Declaration:

DbUpdate (ConnectId, TxSqlStatement, GrpUpdateValues) -> Result

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
TxSqlStatement	SQL UPDATE instructions
	The values to be set are not specified in the instruction, but only placeholders ("?Name of group element").
GrpUpdateValues	Contains data to be updated and data for the WHERE-condition
	The FAMOS group contains data used for updating and for the WHERE-condition.
Result	>= 0: Number of updated rows
	< 0: Error code

Description:

With this function, one UPDATE-instruction is carried out for each index of the data sets passed to it. The UPDATE-instruction must be specified completely as a TxSqlStatement. The placeholder to use for the group element values to be replaced is the question mark "**?+Name of group element**".

If the UPDATE-instruction contains a Blob-column, then only the 1st row in the database table is updated.

The function performs the following operations:

- The SQL UPDATE-instruction is tested for the presence of the keywords UPDATE and SET.

- The table name is determined from the UPDATE-instruction. An empty memory table of the specified table is created.
- In the SET-portion, the columns to be updated are determined. The placeholder "**?Name of group element**" is replaced with a named parameter of the database system. For the column, a group element having the same name must be present in the group GrpUpdateValues.
- In the WHERE-condition, the "**?Name of group element**"-placeholders are replaced with named parameters of the database system. For the column, a group element having the same name must be present in the group GrpUpdateValues.
- The data belonging to the group GrpUpdateValues are converted to the corresponding data types of the memory-table. All group elements must have the same number of values.
- The connection to the database server is opened.
- A database transaction is started.
- The UPDATE-instruction is executed once for each row in the memory-table.
- If errors occurred, a rollback is performed.
- If all UPDATE commands were executed successfully, a Commit is performed.
- The connection to the database server is closed.

Examples:

The columns ID, NAME and MEAS_DATE are imported. The group elements have the size 13. Next, the individual names are changed. The changed group subsequently updates the database table.

```
grpResult =DbSelect(ConnectID,"Select Id, Name,Meas_Date from
Measurement","")
; --- Forming new name for the update --------------
for i= 1 to leng?(grpResult:ID)  Step 1
     measurement=grpResult:Name[i] +"_"+ TForm(grpResult:ID[i],"")
     grpResult:Name[i]=measurement
end


updatestatement="update Measurement set Name=?Name where Id =?Id "
result=DbUpdate(ConnectId,updatestatement,grpResult)
if result < 0
     errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
     BoxMessage("Error",errortext,"S1")
end
```

The UPDATE-instruction is carried out 13 times. Upon each UPDATE, the placeholders are replaced with the corresponding data from the group elements. The function's result is 13. The figure below shows the table contents both before and after the update. Although the column Meas_Date is imported, since it doesn't appear in the UPDATE-instruction, it is ignored.

Table: before

ID	Name
1	Measurement1
2	Measurement2
3	Measurement3
4	Measurement4
5	Measurement5
6	Measurement6
7	Measurement7
8	Measurement8
9	Measurement9
10	Measurement10
11	Measurement11
12	Measurement12
13	Measurement13

Table: after

ID	Name
1	Measurement1_1
2	Measurement2_2
3	Measurement3_3
4	Measurement4_4
5	Measurement5_5
6	Measurement6_6
7	Measurement7_7
8	Measurement8_8
9	Measurement9_9
10	Measurement10_10
11	Measurement11_11
12	Measurement12_12
13	Measurement13_13

References

DbSelect 17 , DbUpdate1 22 , DbGetLastErrorText 29 , DbGetLastErrorCode 31 , DbBeginTransaction 27 , DbEndTransaction 29

2.4.3 Transactions

Functions for controlling transactions

DbBeginTransaction 27	Begin transaction
DbEndTransaction 29	End transaction

2.4.3.1 DbBeginTransaction

Starts a database transaction.

Declaration:

DbBeginTransaction (ConnectId) -> ErrorCode

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
ErrorCode	= 0: no error
	< 0: error code

Description:

This function starts a transaction. The function can be used when multiple tasks in a sequence are to be joined together in order that they can be executed as a single procedural unit.

For instance, suppose data are to be inserted into Table A and simultaneously, associated data are to be inserted into Table B. If an error occurs in the insertion into Table B, then insertion into Table A is to be canceled and rolled back. This can be achieved with the two functions DbBeginTransaction() and DbEndTransaction() working in conjunction as a pair.

These functions do not need to be used where there is only a single call of DbSql(), DbInsert(), DbUpdate() or DbUpdate1(). These functions have an internal transaction control system. For instance, if the elements of a group are to be inserted using DbInsert(), then either all data belonging to the elements are inserted (and a Commit is performed), or if an error occurred, all changes are discarded (an internal rollback is performed).

When the function DbBeginTransaction() is called, it overrides the internal transaction control. It only becomes active again once DbEndTransaction() is called.

Nesting of calls to DbBeginTransaction() is not supported.

The function performs the following operations:
- The connection to the database server is opened.
- A database transaction is started.
- The connection to the database server remains open.

Always use DbBeginTransaction() and DbEndTransaction() in pairs.

If the function DbDisconnect() encounters an open transaction, it is concluded with a rollback.

Examples:

The FAMOS-group grpInsert1 is to be inserted into the table "Users" and the FAMOS-group grpInsert2 is to be inserted into the table "Group". For this purpose, a transaction is started. if both functions were concluded without errors, the transaction is concluded with a Commit. In case of error, a rollback is performed.

```
errorcode=DbBeginTransaction(ConnectID)
if errorcode < 0
      errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
end
result1=DbInsert(ConnectID,"Users",grpInsert1)
result2=DbInsert(ConnectID,"Group",grpInsert2)


commit=1
if result1 < 0 or result2 < 0
      errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
      commit=0;
end
errorcode = DbEndtransaction(ConnectID,commit)
if errorcode < 0
      errortext=DbGetLastErrorText(ConnectID,1)
end
```

References:

DbEndTransaction 29 , DbGetLastErrorText 29 , DbGetLastErrorCode 31

2.4.3.2 DbEndTransaction

Save or rollback the changes since the last DbBeginTransaction.

Declaration:

DbEndTransaction (ConnectId, Commit) -> ErrorCode

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
Commit	= 0: The transaction is reset. All changes are discarded (rollback)
	<> 0: The transaction is saved. Any changes are saved permanently. (Commit)
ErrorCode	= 0: no error
	< 0: error code

Description:

With this function, a transaction is concluded. Use of the function is only permitted in conjunction with the function DbBeginTransaction().

Use DbBeginTransaction() and DbEndTransaction() always jointly.

The function performs the following operations:

- The transaction is saved/reset according to the parameter "Commit".
- The connection to the database server is closed.

References:

DbBeginTransaction 27 , DbGetLastErrorText 29 , DbGetLastErrorCode 31

2.4.4 Miscellaneous

Functions for error analysis and for options

DbGetLastErrorText 29	Finds the last error text
DbGetLastErrorCode 31	Finds the last error code
DbOption 32	Sets optional parameters

2.4.4.1 DbGetLastErrorText

Finds the last error text

Declaration:

DbGetLastErrorText (ConnectId, ClearError) -> TxError

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
ClearError	0: Error remains in the error memory
	1: subsequently clear the error memory
TxError	Error text

Description:

This function enables the text associated with an error to be read. If a 1 is specified for the parameter "ClearError", then the error memory is subsequently cleared. Each connection has its own error memory. For this reason, the parameter "ConnectId" needs to be specified.

If the function DbConnect() fails, then when calling DbGetLastError() it is necessary to specify the parameter ConnectId = 0 (DbGetLastError(0,1)).

The errors are described in the section Error Codes 36 .

Reference:

DbGetLastErrorCode 31

2.4.4.2 DbGetLastErrorCode

Determines the last error number.

Declaration:

DbGetLastErrorCode (ConnectId, ClearError) -> ErrorCode

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
ClearError	0: Error remains int he error memory
	1: Clear error memory subsequently
ErrorCode	Error number

Description:

This function enables retrieval of the number of the last error to occur. If a 1 is provided as the value of the parameter "ClearError", then the error memory is subsequently cleared. Each connection has its own error memory. For this reason, the parameter "ConnectId"must be specified.

In case of error, most Kit-functions return the error number. Error numbers are always negative numbers.

The errors are described in the section Error Codes 36.

Reference:

DbGetLastErrorText 29

2.4.4.3 DbOption

Sets optional parameters

Declaration:

DbOption (ConnectId, TxParametername, TxParameterValue) -> ErrorCode

Parameters:

ConnectId	Connection identifier
TxParametername	Name of the optional parameter
TxParameterValue	Values of the optional parameter
ErrorCode	=0: No error
	<0: Error code

The following parameters are defined:

Parameter name	Value	Remarks
"TimeStampMap"	"yes" or "no"	Affects the function DbSelect() If the parameter is set to "yes", the contents of the DateTime columns are converted to a text array. For a "no", these columns are converted to a normal data set. Default value: "no"
"NumericAsDouble"	"yes" or "no"	Affects the function DbSelect() If the parameter is set to "yes", the contents of numerical columns are always converted to a normal data set with the data format 8-Byte Real. If the value is "no", the conversion is done as explained in the section "Converting the data 33 ". Default value: "no"
"CommandTimeOut"	"xx" in seconds	Affects the functions DbSql(), DbSelect(), DbInsert(), DbUpdate1() and DbUpdate() by means of these parameters, the time is specified in seconds to wait until an attempt to execute a command is abandoned and en error message is posted. With Microsoft SQL Server Compact Edition 4.0, this parameter has no relevance. The default value is 30 seconds.

Description:

With this function, it is possible to set optional parameter for each connection separately.

The name of the optional parameter must match a stipulated name.

References:

DbSelect 17 , DbSql 16 , DbInsert 19 , DbUpdate1 22 , DbUpdate 25 , DbGetLastErrorText 29 ,
DbGetLastErrorCode 31

2.5 Converting the data

When data are imported from a table, the values are converted to either data sets or text arrays according to the column's data type.

Data type of Memory-Table	Value range	Option	FAMOS-object	FAMOS-data format
Boolean	true, false	1	Normal data set	1 Byte Integer
Byte	0…255	1	Normal data set	1 Byte Unsigned Integer
Char			Text array	
DateTime		2	Normal data set	8 Byte Real
			Text array	
DateTime Offset		2	Normal data set	8 Byte Real
			Text array	
Decimal	-79228162514264337593543950335m 79228162514264337593543950335m		Normal data set	8 Byte Real
Double	-1,79769e+308 … 1,79769e+308		Normal data set	8 Byte Real
Guid			Text array	
Int16	-32768 … 32767	1	Normal data set	2 Byte Integer
Int32	-2147483648 … 2147483647	1	Normal data set	4 Byte Integer
Int64	-9223372036854775808 … 9223372036854775807	1	Normal data set	8 Byte Integer
SByte	-128 … 127	1	Normal data set	1 Byte Integer
Single	-3,40282e+038f … 3,40282e+038f	1		4 Byte Real
String			Text array	
TimeSpan		2	Normal data set	8 Byte Real
			Text array	
UInt16	0 … 65535	1	Normal data set	2 Byte Unsigned Integer
UInt32	0 … 4294967295	1	Normal data set	4 Byte Unsigned Integer
UInt64	0… 18446744073709551615	1		8 Byte Unsigned Integer
Byte[]			Normal data set	1 Byte Unsigned Integer

If a value of any of the data types Decimal, Double or Single lies outside of the limits of the FAMOS value range, then this value will be reset to the value limit (-10^{35} ... 10^{35}) .

If a Date/Time column is converted to a data set in the imc time format, and the specified time is prior to 1980, then it is reset to FAMOS' value limit of 1.1.1980.

Option 1

By default, the column's data type is converted to the specified FAMOS data format. If the optional parameter "NumericAsDouble" is set to "yes", then these columns are converted to the FAMOS format 8-Byte Real.

Option 2

By default, the column is converted to a normal data set. If the optional parameter "TimeStampMap" is set to "yes", these columns are converted to a text array.

🛈 Note

The following Microsoft SQL Server data types are not supported:
- SqlGeography
- SqlGeometry
- SqlHierarchyId
- SQLVariant

2.6 Treatment of null values

Null values from the database tables can not be saved in the FAMOS-objects (data sets and text arrays).

When null values are converted to text arrays, the value is always an empty string.

When converting null values of numerical columns to FAMOS data sets, the following replacement values are applied:

Data type of Memory-Table	Value range	FAMOS data format in the data set	Replacement value for null value
Boolean	True, false	Signed1	-128
Byte	0...255	Unsigned1	0
DateTime		Double	0.0
Decimal	-79228162514264337593543950335m 79228162514264337593543950335m	Double	1e35
Double	-1,79769e+308 ... 1,79769e+308	Double	1e35
Int16	-32768 ... 32767	Signed2	-32768
Int32	-2147483648 ... 2147483647	Signed4	-2147483648
Int64	-9223372036854775808 ... 9223372036854775807	Signed8	-9223372036854775808
SByte	-128 ... 127	Signed1	-128
Single	-3,40282e+038f ... 3,40282e+038f	Float	1e35
TimeSpan		Double	1e35
UInt16	0 ... 65535	Unsigned2	0
UInt32	0 ... 4294967295	Unsigned4	0
UInt64	0... 18446744073709551615	Unsigned8	0

2.7 Error Codes

The error numbers are always negative numbers.

Error number	Description
-1	Failure to specify a value for a parameter. E.g. an empty SQL instruction or a missing table/server name
-2	The function DbConnect() returns a connection identifier. All other functions expect a valid connection identifier and check it to find whether a connection exists. If not, this error number appears.
-3	Provider error: Error text This error can appear when the connection to the database server is established. The provider raises an exception. In case of error, the cause of this exception is shown.
-4	DBMS error: Error text If an SQL instruction (SELECT, UPDATE ...) is defective, then the database server reports an error. This error is returned as an error text.
	DbConnect()
-10	Invalid value for the server type Parameter The function DbConnect() was called with a server type not previously stipulated. Valid values range from 1 to 4.
-11	No provider installed for the selected database system. Required: No connection can be established to the specified server type, since the required ADO.NET provider is not installed on the PC. The required provider is stated in the error message.
-12	Unable to establish a connection to the DBMS. Reason: Unable to generate a connection object to the database system. The cause may be a defective connection string. The cause of failure is stated in the error text.
-13	Unable to establish a connection to the DBMS. Reason: The Microsoft SQL Server Compact Edition database is write-protected. This error message only appears for the Microsoft SQL Server Compact edition. It can be resolved by removing the database file's write-protection.
-14	Connection to the server version is not supported. Access to this server version, e.g. Oracle 8 or Microsoft SQL Server 2000, is not supported.
	DbSelect()
-20	For the following columns, no conversion rule is implemented ... The columns whose data type can not be converted to FAMOS-objects are enumerated. These data types include: SqlGeography, SqlGeometry, SqlHierarchyId, SQL variant of Microsoft SQL Server. For all other columns, data sets/text arrays were generated.

Error number	Description
-21	Since the query returned more than one result row, the Blob-columns "column name" could not be converted.
	When a query containing Blob-columns is made, and it returns multiple result rows, the Blob-columns can not be converted to FAMOS-objects. All other columns belonging to the query are contained in the resulting group as FAMOS-objects.
	In order to read a Blob-column, the query must be expressed in a way that only returns one results row.
-22	The time column xy does not exist in the query results. Conversion to XY-data sets is not possible.
	If the function DbSelect() is called with the parameter TxTimeColumn and this column is not present in the query results, then there is no conversion to XY-data sets. All numerical columns are returned as normal data sets.
-23	The time column xy is not a normal data set.
	The specified time column must be a numerical column which can be converted to a normal data set. If that is not the case, no conversion to XY-data sets will occur. All numerical columns are returned as normal data sets.
-24	There are no more data sets which can be converted to an XY-data sets with the time column as the X-component.
	Besides the time column there are no more numerical columns. for this reason, conversion to XY-data sets can not be performed.
	DbInsert(), DbUpdate1(), DbUpdate()
-30	The following columns do not exist in the table (table): (column)
	In the function DbInsert(), a group with group elements (data sets or text arrays) is passed. The names of the group elements are checked against the database table's column names. Any group elements names which do not match any column name are listed in the error message. Insertion is not performed.
-31	The group contains no elements.
	An emptu FAMOS group has been passed to one of the functions DbInsert(), DbUpdate1() or DbUpdate().
-32	The data type of the data set xyz is not supported. Only a "normal" data set is allowed.
	The FAMOS group passed contains a channel which is not of the data type "Normal data set". Only channels of the data type "Normal data set" are supported.
-33	Conversion error in the column (column name): (error text)
	Before data are inserted into/updated in the database, the contents of the group elements are converted to the data type of the database table column. If an error occurs in the conversion, this error message appears, in which the column and the cause are stated.
-34	The group elements are of different lengths.
	When data are inserted into or updated in the database, all elements of the FAMOS group must have the same size.

Error number	Description
-35	The data type (data type) of the column (column name) is not supported. Values were to be inserted into or updated in a a column of the database whose data type is not supported. Data types to which this applies include SqlGeography, SqlGeometry, SqlHierarchyId, SQLVariant by Microsoft SQL Server. Insertion/updating will not be performed.
-36	Error in the update-instruction; unable to find the keyword (keyword). In the SQL-instruction for either of the functions DbUpdate1() or DbUpdate(), the keyword UPDATE, or SET, was not found.
-37	Error in the update-instruction; no table name found Unable to find any table name for the SQL-instruction of either the function DbUpdate1() or DbUpdate().
-38	Error in the update-instruction; SET-portion is empty In the SQL-instruction for either of the functions DbUpdate1() or DbUpdate(), the SET-portion is empty.
-39	Error in the update-instruction; column (column name) does not exist. In the SQL-instruction for either of the functions DbUpdate1() or DbUpdate(), a column is specified in the SET-portion which does not exist.
-40	Error in the update-instruction in the region of... In the SQL-instruction for either of the functions DbUpdate1() or DbUpdate(), an error occurred in the WHERE-condition. The defective part of the WHERE-condition is specified in the error message.
-41	For the column (column name), no group element exists. In the SQL-instruction for either of the functions DbUpdate1() or DbUpdate(), a column has been specified for which there is no group element of that name.
-42	The Sample-Index is 0 or greater than the group element length. The parameter Sample Index in the function DbUpdate1() lies outside of the range (1... maximum number of group element values)
-43	The group element … contained in the update instruction does not exist of the group.
	DbOption()
-50	The optional parameter (parameter name) has not been defined. In the function DbOption(), a parameter name not previously defined has been specified.
-51	The timeout value is not valid. Specification: 1... in seconds The optional parameter "CommandTimeOut" has been set to an invalid value. The value specified must be an integer and stated in seconds.
	Internal error
-300	Internal error: DBConnection-object not present

Error number	Description
	When a connection was opened or database command generated, no connection object was present.
-301	Internal error: No data source present
	No data source present when executing an SQL-instruction
	Exception error in the Kit functions
-400	Exception in DbConnect: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-401	Exception in DbDisConnect: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-402	Exception in DbInitialize: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-500	Exception in DbSql: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-501	Exception in DbSelect: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-502	Exception in DbInsert: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-503	Exception in DbUpdate1: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-504	Exception in DbUpdate: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-600	Exception in DbBeginTransaction: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-601	Exception in DbEndTransaction: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-700	Exception in DbGetLastErrorText: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-701	Exception in DbGetLastErrorCode: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.
-702	Exception in DbOption: (reason)
	An unexpected exception occurred in the function.

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