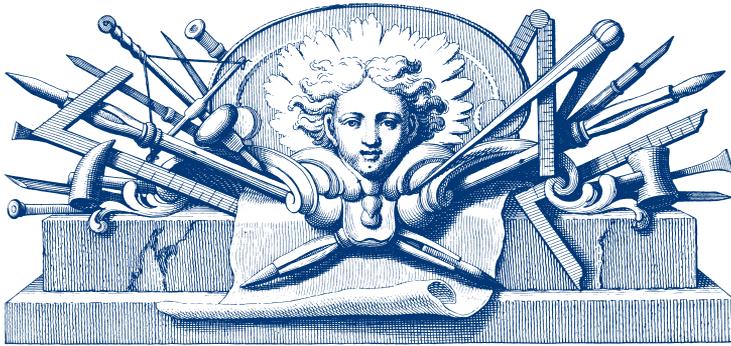


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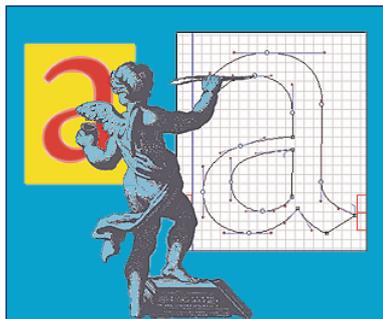
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For example:

```
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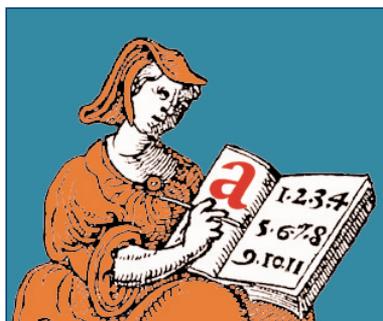
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DTL DataMaster



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New functionality in DTL BezierMaster

- a. Standard encoding for OpenType production.
- b. Command file support for running program in full batch.

A command file can be simply generated:

- Generate a font first.
- Use ‘List’ in command mode and a listing of all settings will be shown.
- Save this file with the extension .txt or .cmd

This command file can be altered with a normal text editor. To make it executable some entries have to be modified:

‘Command Cancel’ must be disabled. This can be done for instance by removing the line or writing a number sign (#) at the beginning which will mark this line as comment.

After editing you can use the run button to select the command file and to produce the font(s). You can include other files, for example to create a TrueType font, a PostScript Type 1 font and an OpenType font at the same time or use the ‘CommandOpen’ command for activating other files.

An example of a command file for OpenType production:

```
# DTL DataMaster 2.5.0 Command File
# Select Character Layout File and Code Page.
CharacterLayoutFile D:\FM\Release-2.5.1-Full\urwotf.cha
CharacterLayoutCodePage PostScript-Number
# CharacterLayoutUseStandard false
# Set Basic Em-Square.
BasicEmSquare 15000
# Select Basic Format.
BasicFormat BE Format
# Select Basic Font Directory.
BasicFontDirectory D:\archive\ar0008
# Select Basic Font(s).
# SelectBasicFont all
SelectBasicFont none
SelectBasicFont D027013T.be
# Set up Target Directories for all Export Formats.
ExportFontFormat TrueType Format
ExportTargetDirectory D:\archive\ar0008
ExportFontFormat PostScript Type 1 Format
ExportTargetDirectory D:\archive\ar0008
ExportFontFormat OpenType (CFF)
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# Select Export Format.
# NOTE : This will also select the related target directory.
ExportFontFormat OpenType (CFF)
# Select Export Target Directory.
# ExportTargetDirectory D:\archive\ar0008
# Cancel Command Mode.
# NOTE : Remove the following line to continue execution.
# CommandCancel
# Avoid Export Font Dialog.
ExportSkipDialog true
# Avoid existing file overwrite confirmation dialog.
OverwriteExistingFiles true
# Optionally include other command files, e.g.:
# CommandOpen Setup1.cmd
# CommandOpen BESelection1.cmd
# Start Font Export.
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- m. Support for manual digitizing via a Wacom tablet with lens cursor.
 1. It is advisable to work with a 15000 grid. The digitizer coordinates will be measured in 1/100 mm and directly converted into IK format, so 15 cm size of the artwork will be translated into 15000 IK units. You can of course work in for instance A3 with large artwork and later scale it to the requested bodysize.
 2. To digitize a new glyph open a font first –existing or new– and create a new empty character. It is also possible to digitize and add data to an already existing glyph.
 3. Align the working drawing.
 4. To start digitizing select *Digitize* from the menu and the digitizer will ask for an origin. This should be the crossing of the baseline and the left sidebearing.
 5. You can now start digitizing:
Use button 1 to digitize a corner point, button 2 for a tangent point and button 3 for a curve point.
The first point will automatically be a start point.
If the a point is close to the startpoint (within a small tolerance) the contour will be closed automatically.
 6. You can force the closing of a contour with button 4. This automatically closes the contour.
 7. After closing a contour it will be saved and stored permanently in the glyph data.
 8. You can continue digitizing and the next point after a closed contour will be a start point again.
 9. On screen the points will be preliminary connected by straight lines until a contour is closed.

10. If you change to a different function during digitizing with the mouse all current data (except for already closed contours) will be lost.
11. Zoom up and down (using keyboard shortcuts) is possible.