

Knowledge Base Article

Product Group: Software Product: CMSW7400 - @ptitude Analyst; CMSW7311 - Analysis and Reporting Manager (ARM) Version: 8.0a (@ptitude Analyst); 2.0 (ARM)

Abstract

Both the add-on version of ARM in SKF @ptitude Analyst 2013 and the stand-alone version of ARM (v2.0, build 2.0.5.0) allow the user to specify the location where ARM saves its data files (pds extension) in "Main data directory".

However, if the user has any data files open on the ARM desktop, all of the options displayed in the Program options > Directories tab are disabled, preventing the user from changing this setting. [Figure 1]

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Figure 1. Program options dialog

This article explains how to change the main data directory in SKF Analysis and Reporting Manager.

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Overview

The reason the setting becomes disabled is, because of the way ARM automatically saves and manages data files, a change to the data directory would cause logical problems for ARM when dealing with saving any open data sets, since the original location would have disappeared. (When you change the data directory in ARM, you have the option to move all of the files to the new location, and the original location is deleted.)

The solution is to close all of the data files open on the desktop before changing the data directory.

This can be done by selecting the "Close all" option in the "File" menu. [Figure 2]



Figure 2. File menu





Once the desktop is empty, return to the Program options > Directories tab, which is now fully enabled. [Figure 3]

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Figure 3. Directories tab settings enabled

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