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About this Guide

This guide describes how to install and configure the Apama Predictive Analytics Add-on.

Documentation roadmap

Predictive Analytics Plug-in provides documentation in the following formats:

- HTML (viewable in a web browser)
- PDF (available from the documentation website)

You can access the HTML documentation on your machine after Predictive Analytics Plug-in has been installed:

- **Windows.** Select **Start > All Programs > Software AG > Tools > Predictive Analytics Add-on *n.n* > Predictive Analytics Plug-in Documentation *n.n***. Note that **Software AG** is the default group name that can be changed during the installation.

Predictive Analytics Plug-in also provides the following API reference information:

- API Reference for Predictive Analytics Plugin EPL (Apamadoc)
- API Reference for Predictive Analytics Engine (Javadoc)

Online Information

Software AG Documentation Website

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1 Release Notes

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Release Notes describes the changes introduced with the current Apama Predictive Analytics Add-on release as well as earlier releases.

What's new in 9.12 Release

- Predictive Analytics Engine has been migrated from ADAPA 4.1 to 4.2.4.
- Added new `ModelManager` API to add, remove, update PMML models. Refer to `ModelManager` API in "API Reference for Predictive Analytics Plug-in EPL (ApamaDoc)".
- Added new `ResourceManager` API to add or remove resources like custom functions and lookup tables. Refer to `ResourceManager` API in "API Reference for Predictive Analytics Plug-in EPL (ApamaDoc)".
- Added docker packaging kit for Predictive Analytics Add-on (this is available only on Linux).
- Samples are moved from `APAMA_HOME/adapters/samples` to `APAMA_HOME/samples/PredictiveAnalytics`.
- Added samples for demonstrating integration with `ModelManager` API, `ResourceManager` API, Integration with various kinds of Asset Stores, and building a docker enabled application.
- Added an installer dialog for providing license file for Predictive Analytics Engine. The license file can also be copied to `APAMA_WORK/license` directory after installation.

What's new in 9.10 Release

- New service parameters are added to Predictive Analytics Add-on
 - **subscribeToChannel**. Applications can send input scoring requests to this channel for consumption by the Predictive Analytics plug-in.
 - **sendToChannel**. Predictive analytics plug-in will publish the output predictions to this channel. User applications can subscribe to this channel for receiving responses.
 - **maxBatchSize**. To set the maximum number of input events that will be grouped together and consumed by the plug-in. Default is set to 1000.

2 Introduction to Predictive Analytics Add-on

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The Predictive Analytics Add-on includes the following components:

- Predictive Analytics Engine
- Predictive Analytics Plug-in

Predictive Analytics Plug-in combines Zementis ADAPA's predictive model deployment and scoring capabilities with Apama's comprehensive big data analytics platform to create an integrated solution. Predictive Analytics Plug-in encloses ADAPA library that allows you to set up a context and score data.

Predictive Analytics Engine

Predictive Analytics Engine uses the ADAPA scoring engine from Zementis to deliver a fast, standards-based deployment platform for predictive analytics. Some of the salient features of Zementis ADAPA include:

- Scoring engine (decision engine) for predictive analytics
 - Uses predictive models to score data
 - Delivers precise insights into market dynamics, security risks and sensor information
 - Facilitates informed decision making based on quantitative logic and insights
- Standards-based platform for deploying predictive analytics
 - Employs the Predictive Model Markup Language (PMML) standard to import and deploy predictive models
 - Allows data science teams to rapidly transform analytical models into operational tools for business users
 - Allows organizations to rapidly deploy, run and manage predictive models that enable real-time insights and actions for the business

Predictive Analytics Plug-in

The predictive analytics plug-in is an Apama correlator plug-in for integrating with Zementis ADAPA to score predictive models from within Apama applications. For more information on APIs used by Predictive Analytics Plug-in, see "API Reference for Predictive Analytics Plug-in EPL (ApamaDoc)".

To get started with Predictive Analytics plug-in, see ["Getting Started" on page 13](#) and ["Working with Predictive Analytics Plug-in" on page 15](#).

3 Installing Predictive Analytics Add-on

To get started with the installation, see *Installing Software AG Products* guide. It is intended for use with the following guides:

- *Using the Software AG Installer*. This guide explains how to prepare your machine to use the Software AG Installer, and how to use the Software AG Installer and Software AG Uninstaller to install and uninstall your products.
- *Using the Software AG Update Manager*. This guide explains how to use the Software AG Update Manager to install and uninstall fixes on your Software AG products.
- *Upgrading Software AG Products*. This guide contains information on how to upgrade Apama.

The most up-to-date versions of these guides are always available at <http://documentation.softwareag.com/> (Empower login required).

Note: When you are installing Predictive Analytics Add-on using Software AG installer, you are prompted for the Predictive Analytics Engine license file. Optionally, if you specify the license file during the installation process, the license file will be copied to the APAMA_WORK/license directory. You can also copy the license file to the APAMA_WORK/license directory after the installation process. The license file is mandatory to start the Predictive Analytics Engine.

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Getting Started

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The Predictive Analytics plug-in ships with a set of documentation files. All the relevant documentation for Predictive Analytics Plugin can be found in `APAMA_HOME/adapters/doc` folder.

Working with Sample Project

The Predictive Analytics plug-in package ships a sample project **EnergyData** available at `APAMA_HOME/samples/PredictiveAnalytics/EnergyData`. You can use this as reference for using Predictive Analytics Plug-in.

In the Apama command prompt:

1. Change to `APAMA_HOME/samples/PredictiveAnalytics/EnergyData` directory.
2. Start the sample project by using the command `ant start`.

This command performs the following tasks:

- Starts the correlator with Java support.
 - Injects the plug-in jar file and its associated `predictive_analytics_plugin_monitors.cdp` package to the correlator.
 - Injects the EnergyData sample monitor to the correlator available at `APAMA_HOME/samples/PredictiveAnalytics/EnergyData/monitors/EnergyDataSample.mon`
 - Initializes the plug-in to load the PMML file from `APAMA_HOME/samples/PredictiveAnalytics/EnergyData/model/EnergyDataModel.pmml`
 - Sends sample prediction data.
3. Stop the sample project by using the command `ant stop`.

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Working with Predictive Analytics Plug-in

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Ensure that you have set the correlator classpath to the Zementis ADAPA license directory.

To start the plug-in

1. Start the correlator.
2. Inject `Predictive-Analytics-Plugin.jar` located at `APAMA_HOME/adapters/lib` to the correlator.
3. Inject `predictive_analytics_plugin_monitors.cdp` CDP file located at `APAMA_HOME/adapters/monitors` to the correlator.
4. Inject user application EPL.

User Application EPL

A user application EPL script should perform the following tasks:

1. Create an instance of `ServiceParams`.

```
com.apama.pa.pmml.ServiceParams serviceParams :=
  (new com.apama.pa.pmml.ServiceParamsHelper).create();
```

2. Set the configuration parameters.

```
serviceParams.setPMMLFileDirectory("PMML_CONFIG_DIRECTORY");
serviceParams.setPMMLFileName("PMML_CONFIG_FILE_NAME");
serviceParams.addResource(CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME1);
serviceParams.addResource(CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME2);
```

For a full list of configuration parameters, see "API Reference for Predictive Analytics Plug-in EPL (ApamaDoc)".

3. Request the `ServiceHandlerFactory` to create a new service handler and pass the `ServiceParams`.

```
(new com.apama.pa.pmml.ServiceHandlerFactory)
  .create((new com.apama.pa.pmml.ServiceName).Zementis,
    "PREDICTIVE_ANALYTICS_INSTANCE_1",
    serviceParams,
    onServiceInitialised,
    onServiceError);
```

You must pass two additional callbacks to the service handler factory.

- This callback is called when the PMML file is successfully loaded and the service is initialised. The `ServiceHandler` received in this callback can be used to retrieve the list of models available for this service.

```
action onServiceInitialised(com.apama.pa.pmml.ServiceHandler
  servicehandler) {
  //Implement your application logic here
}
```

- This callback is called if an error is encountered while loading the PMML file or when there is an issue with the input.

```
action onServiceError(com.apama.pa.pmml.ServiceError serviceError) {
```



```
log "Received Service Error " + serviceError.getErrorMessage() at ERROR;
}
```

4. Create an input event and pass it to the plug-in.

```
com.apama.pa.pmml.Input input := new com.apama.pa.pmml.Input;
input.instanceName := "PREDICTIVE_ANALYTICS_INSTANCE_1";
input.modelName := "SAMPLE_MODEL_NAME";
input.requestId := integer.getUnique().toString();
input.inputFields.add("FIELD_1", "FIELD_1_VALUE");
input.add("FIELD_2", "FIELD_2_VALUE");
input.inputFields.add("FIELD_2", "FIELD_3_VALUE");
route input;
```

5. Check for the output event which corresponds to the specified input.

```
com.apama.pa.pmml.Output output;
on all com.apama.pa.pmml.Output
(instanceName="PREDICTIVE_ANALYTICS_INSTANCE_1") : output
{
  log output.toString() at INFO;
  //Do additional processing
}
```

Error handling when processing an input request:

- If there is a significant error while processing the input request, you will receive a callback on the `onServiceError` callback registered during service initialisation.
- Errors and warnings reported by the Predictive Analytics Engine are also propagated through the output event.
 - If any errors are found during scoring, search for `ADAPA_Error` in the `outputFields`

Example:

```
com.apama.pa.pmml.Output("Instance_1","206",
  {"ADAPA_Error":"Value [NA] is invalid for field [PreUse]."},{})
```

- Warnings reported by the scoring engine are also forwarded in the `outputFields` as `ADAPA_Warning_<N>`, where N can be 1, 2, 3 ...

Example:

```
com.apama.pa.pmml.Output("Instance_1","206",
  {"ADAPA_Warning_1":"warning message",
   "Predicted_Usage":"19.980840445004088"},{})
```

Adding, Updating, and Removing PMML Models

The Predictive Analytics Add-on supports adding, updating, and removing a PMML model at runtime.

To add, update, or remove a model in an EPL script

1. The Predictive Analytics Add-on also supports adding and removing resources at runtime through ModelManager API. ModelManager API can be accessed by calling

`getModelManager()` on the `ServiceHandler` object received in service initialisation `onServiceInitialised` callback.

```
action onServiceInitialised(ServiceHandler servicehandler)
{
    ModelManager modelmanager := serviceHandler.getModelManager();
    //Add Model1 from PMML_PATH1
    modelmanager.addModel("PMML_PATH1");
    //Add Model2 from PMML_PATH2
    modelmanager.addModel("PMML_PATH2");
    ...
    ...
    //Update Model1 from another source PMML_PATH3
    modelmanager.updateModel("Model1", "PMML_PATH3");
    ...
    ...
    //remove model when done
    modelmanager.removeModel("Model1");
    modelmanager.removeModel("Model2");
}
```

Any errors are reported through default callback `onServiceError` of service handler.

You can add custom callbacks for the above mentioned functions as described below:

```
action onServiceInitialised(ServiceHandler servicehandler)
{
    ModelManager modelmanager := serviceHandler.getModelManager();
    //Add Model1 from PMML_PATH1
    modelmanager.addModel("PMML_PATH1", onStatus);
    //Add Model2 from PMML_PATH2
    modelmanager.addModel("PMML_PATH2", onStatus);
    ...
    ...
    //Update Model1 from another source PMML_PATH3
    modelmanager.updateModel("Model1", "PMML_PATH3", onStatus);
    ...
    ...
    //remove model when done
    modelmanager.removeModel("Model1", onStatus);
    modelmanager.removeModel("Model2", onStatus);
}
action onStatus(ServiceError serviceError)
{
    log "Received status on configured callback:
    "+serviceError.getErrorMessage();
}
```

For more information, see "API Reference for Predictive Analytics Plug-in EPL (ApamaDoc)".

For more information, refer to the samples at `APAMA_HOME/samples/PredictiveAnalytics/EnergyData ModelManager`

Loading Custom Resources

The Predictive Analytics Add-on supports adding and removing custom resources like lookup tables and custom functions. You can follow these steps to load and use custom functions in EPL.

To add or remove custom resources in an EPL script

1. Create an instance of `ServiceParams`.

```
com.apama.pa.pmml.ServiceParams serviceParams :=
    (new com.apama.pa.pmml.ServiceParamsHelper).create();
```

2. Add any custom resource either with absolute path or relative path.

```
serviceParams.addResource(CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME1);
serviceParams.addResource(CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME2);
```

The Predictive Analytics Add-on also supports adding and removing resources at runtime through `ResourceManager` API. `ResourceManager` API can be accessed by calling `getResourceManager()` on the `ServiceHandler` object received in service initialization `onServiceInitialised` callback.

```
action onServiceInitialised(ServiceHandler servicehandler)
{
    serviceHandler := servicehandler;
    ResourceManager resourcemanager := serviceHandler.getResourceManager();
    resourcemanager.addResource("CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME1");
    resourcemanager.addResource("CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME2");
    resourcemanager.addResource("CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME3");
    ModelManager modelmanager := serviceHandler.getModelManager();
    //Add MODEL_NAME1 from PMML_PATH1
    modelmanager.addModel("PMML_PATH1");
    //Add MODEL_NAME2 from PMML_PATH2
    modelmanager.addModel("PMML_PATH2");
    //application code ...
    //remove model when done
    modelmanager.removeModel("MODEL_NAME1");
    modelmanager.removeModel("MODEL_NAME1");
    //remove resource when done
    resourcemanager.removeResource("CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME1");
    resourcemanager.removeResource("CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME2");
    resourcemanager.removeResource("CUSTOM_RESOURCE_NAME3");
}
```

You can also list the resources that are added by calling `listResources()` function using `ResourceManager` object. The resources are removed automatically when the engine stops, but it is recommended to explicitly remove the unused resources.

For more information, refer to the samples at:

- `APAMA_HOME/samples/PredictiveAnalytics/ECommerceFraud Custom Functions`
- `APAMA_HOME/samples/PredictiveAnalytics/ECommerceFraud Custom Context`

Launching from Software AG Designer

To configure the Predictive Analytics plug-in, you must add the Predictive Analytics bundle to the Apama project. For more information on adding adapters and bundles to an Apama project, see *Using Apama with Software AG Designer*.

Injecting the Predictive Analytics Plug-in using Ant Macro

You can inject the Predictive Analytics package in to the correlator using the ant macro file.

To inject the Predictive Analytics plug-in in to the correlator

1. Import the ant macro file `${APAMA_HOME}\adapters\ant_macros\predictive-analytics-support-macros.xml` to the ant user script.
2. Add the dependency on 'predictive-analytics-plugin-bundle' ant target to inject the Predictive Analytics add-on components in to the correlator.