Lin Sims' List of FrameMaker Utilities and Plugins

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 Table 1
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Name	Type/Cost	OS	FM Version	Source	Description
ABCM	Freeware	WIN	3	West Street Consulting http:// www.weststreetconsulting.com/ WSC_ABCM.htm	ABCM is a comprehensive conditional text replacement tool for structured Frame, allowing you to use structural attributes to indicate and manage your conditions, instead of traditional conditional text tags.
Alert Tools	Plugin/ Shareware–\$5/ seat, \$50/site Nags until you pay for it	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0 MAC: 6.x, 7.x	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	Alert Tools provides the ability to display an alert message when a FrameMaker document is opened. These alerts can be used to provide reminders to writers when they edit documents, or to alert writers that specifc documents shouldn't be updated.
Archive	Plugin/ Shareware–\$25	WIN	6.x, 7.x, 8.0	Bruce Foster Plugins http://home.comcast.net/ ~bruce.foster/products.htm	Archive is a shareware plugin for FrameMaker that copies a book to an archive directory and gathers all documents, referenced graphics, and text insets for that book into the archive directory. All references in the archived book are relative and point to documents, graphics, and text insets under the archive directory.
AutoText	Plugin/ Shareware–\$10/ seat, \$100/site Nags until you pay for it	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0 MAC: 6.x, 7.x	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	NOTE: Does not support UNICODE in filenames. Auto-Text is a FrameMaker plug-in that allows you to define a set of text or graphic items and easily insert them into any FrameMaker document.

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Book-level Conditional Text	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6	ElectroPubs http://www.electropubs.com/ downloads.html	This utility displays the familiar Conditional Text dialog box on a .BK (book) file's menu. Change the Show/Hide settings, and the settings of all files in the book are automatically updated.
					French Interface.
					NOTE: Functionality included from FM 6.x onward
Book2PDF	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0	Mekon ⁴ http://www.structured- publishing.com/Software/A-Z/	• List generation for FrameMaker 5.5.6—This free Mekon plugin enables Adobe FrameMaker to successfully generate lists in the form of a Table of Contents from a FrameMaker book.
				<u>MTools/index.jsp</u>	• Printing to PDF for FrameMaker versions 5.5.6 and 6.0—When a book is printing to PDF as individual files, any cross-references or links going to other folders will be lost. This free Mekon plugin allows you to print directly to PDF without losing any of the links.
BookInfo	Plugin/ Shareware–\$10	WIN	6.x, 7.x, 8.0	Bruce Foster Plugins http://home.comcast.net/	BookInfo is a shareware (\$10) plugin for FrameMaker that counts the total number of words, pages, and anchored frames in all documents in a book.
				~bruce.foster/products.htm	NOTE: Does not support UNICODE in filenames.
BookLooker	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/	Part of Cudspan Tools. Searches across books and performs other book-wide actions.
				freeware/cud/	Locks and unlocks files
					 Turns changebars on and off and clears changebars in entire book
					 Bookwide finds of strings, marker text, marker types, cross-references, unresolved cross-references, and document- and book-level hunt for paragraph overrides; creates hypertext linked document of results
BookPageCou nt	Plugin/Retail–\$20/ seat, \$200/site	WIN	3	Carmen Publishing http://www.frameexpert.com/	Calculates the total number of pages in a book and puts the number in a user variable called Book Page Count
				plugins/index.htm	 Only files with numeric page numbering are counted

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BookVars	Retail-\$35/seat,	WIN	5, 6, 7, 8,	Leximation Tools	 Manage FrameMaker variables at the "book" level. 	
	\$525/site	(v.1.0 7)	9	http://www.leximation.com/tools/	• Define multiple variable groups and easily switch between them by updating the variables in all files.	
		- /			 Allows you to sync up the variable definitions in all files and/or delete unused variables. 	
BookXRefs	Retail-\$25/seat,	WIN	/IN 5, 6, 7	Leximation Tools	Manage FrameMaker cross-references at the "book" level.	
	\$375/site	\$375/site			http://www.leximation.com/tools/	• Define multiple xref groups and easily switch between them by updating the xrefs in all files.
					• Allows you to sync up the xref definitions in all files and/or delete unused xrefs.	
Character	Plugin/	WIN,	WIN:	Silicon Prairie	Lists character tag usage	
Tools	Shareware-\$10/	Mac	6.x, 7.x,	http://	 Removes unused character tags from Frame documents 	
	seat, \$100/site		8.0, 9.0	www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	 Converts from one set of character formats to another 	
	Nags until you pay		MAC:		 Locates and removes character tag overrides. 	
	for it		6.x, 7.x		 Generates a report listing all the characteristics of the character tags defined in a document 	
CheckFileStat us	Free	WIN	5, 6, 7	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	 Notifies you when opening a read-only file. 	
	ides a site license for all E	ZTools pl	l ug-ins, with u			
			•	//cudspan.net/. CudSpan Tools arer	n't there yet (05/17/09).	

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Clean Import ¹	Plugin/ Shareware–\$15/ seat	WIN	2.0 = FM 6.x 3.02 = FM 7.x	ElectroPubs http://www.electropubs.com/ downloads.html	The Clean Import plug-in deletes all paragraph and character tag names, table definitions, cross-reference formats, conditional text tags, master pages, reference pages from the current document, then allows you to select formats from a selected template.
			3.03 = FM 8.x, 9		Can be used on multiple files simultaneously, from FrameMaker's Book window. For example, if all the Appendices in your book use the same template, select all Appendix files then choose EZTools > CleanImport. The utility "remembers" the most recently used template directory.
					NOTE: New for 3.03 A warning message appears when you select the Conditional Text Settings check box. CleanImport works by first deleting formats from the current document, then importing those in the selected template document. However, deleting a conditional text tag has the unfortunate side effect in FrameMaker of deleting without warning all text that has the conditional text tag applied to it.
ComboBook	Free	WIN	5, 6, 7	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	• Generate a new book file that contains all of the non-generated files from all open book files.
					 Also build a new book from a list of files.
CudLog	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/ freeware/cud/	Part of Cudspan Tools. A logging utility that is used by many of these other plugins.
DITA–FMx	Retail–\$185/seat, \$2775/site	WIN	7, 8	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	• A set of plugins and structure applications that let you create and edit DITA XML files in FrameMaker.
					 Provides extended DITA authoring features.

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DoBatch	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/ freeware/cud/	Part of Cudspan Tools. Runs batch processing in documents and books. Save as MIF, Filtered, ViewOnly, or document; Update a book or document; Import formats; Run another plugin on a book or document.
					 Requires the CudLog plugin.
					 DoBatch can now use your installed export filters to save as other file types. This includes HTML and XML. See the updated docs for more information. (5/23/01)
					 NEW: DoBatch now saves as PostScript. (9/14/01)
DZBatcher 3.2	Utility/Freeware	WIN: NT 4.0	5.5.6+	Datazone http://www.datazone.com/	• Print documents using a `print settings' document to control how the documents will be printed.
		2000 SUN:		dzbatcher2.html	 Convert files from Frame document (binary) format to Frame MIF (Maker Interchange Format) or vice versa. You can also batch-convert files to FrameViewer or FrameMaker locked format.
		Solari s 2.6,			 Convert files to Acrobat PDF format.
		AIX			 Import formats from one document into many other documents.
					 Automate conversion of MS Word, and many other external document types, to FrameMaker.
					 Automate the updating of variables, cross-references and text insets across a large collection of documents.
					NOTE: This product is unsupported.
EDDTools	Plugin/Retail– \$unknown	WIN	7.0 and BEFOR E	Mekon ⁴ http://www.structured- publishing.com/Software/A-Z/ MTools/index.jsp	 Importing and merging element definitions from active EDDs View SGML files in text format within FrameMaker View the element definitions of highlighted text in the document
					For any piece of text, generate the rules for the associated element in the EDDUse conditional text to select specific sections of EDD for multiple DTDs

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EditAttrib	Freeware	WIN	7.2 ⁶	Sundorne Communications http://www.sundorne.com/ FrameMaker/Freeware/ editAttrib.htm	EditAttrib is a replacement for FrameMaker's attribute editor that preserves the functionality and improves the usability.
emDex	Retail–\$120/ license; bulk prices available	WIN 98, NT, 2000, XP, VISTA	5.5, 5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0, 7.1, 7.2, 8.0	emDEX http://www.emdex.ca/	A real-time visual means of watching your index grow right before your eyes to help you track and modify your index entries on the fly. No more need to tag- and-generate again and again. The demo version of emDEX has all the capabilities of the full program but is limited to 100 entries.
Enhance	Plugin/Retail– \$99.99	WIN	5.5, 5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0, 7.1, 7.2	Sandybrook http://www.sandybrook.com	Creates an outlinine view (with collapsible topics based on assignable headings) for FM. • Drag & drop editing • Flexible outline level assignment • Promote and demote • Paragraph sorting • Format name area • Multiple document views • Template linking • Ergonomic screen • Copy visible text Not supported for FM 8. Users have reported FM instabilities.
ePublisher	Application/Retail http:// www.webworks.com/ store/			Quadralay Corporation http://www.webworks.com	Transforms FrameMaker, Word, and DITA-XML content into Web and online help.

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ExtraCharFor mat	Free	WIN	5, 6, 7	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	• Allows you to set the "OffsetVertical" and OffsetHorizontal" character style properties (which are not available through the Character Designer).
EZVars ¹	Plugin/ Shareware-\$15/ seat	WIN	3.1 = FM 6.x, 7.x 3.21= FM 8.x, FM 9	ElectroPubs http://www.electropubs.com/ downloads.html	Creates a modeless dialog box listing all defined variables (similar to Character & Paragraph Catalog). It lists all variables in the document and allows you to insert the content of a variable into the document simply by double-clicking on a variable name. Creating variables and modifying variable definitions continues to be done using the standard Variables window. To ensure the lists in the two windows are in sync, EZVars has an Update button that re-reads the lists of variables maintained by FrameMaker and updates the list accordingly. Lets you easily replace text in your FrameMaker documents with a variable. For example, you can search for a product name that might change in the future and replace all occurrences of it with a variable.
FileTools	Retail–\$35/seat, \$525/site	WIN	5, 6, 7	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	 Provides additional commands to make it easier to import, export, convert, and process files in FrameMaker.
					• This plugin also includes the ability to read and write MIFML files from structured or unstructured files.
FindChangeS pecial 2.5	Plugin/Retail–\$30/ seat, \$300/site	WIN	6.x+	Carmen Publishing http://www.frameexpert.com/ plugins/index.htm	FindChangeSpecial allows you to find cross-references, paragraphs, tables, and user variables in books or single documents and change them to another format. You can optionally delete the find format. Find/Change results are written to the Console window.
FM2MIF	Freeware	WIN MAC	5.5—7.x	DTP Tools http://www.dtptools.com/ product.asp?id=fmfm	 Batch conversion of entire folders of documents from .fm to .mif
fmBookTools	Freeware	WIN	3	Felix Ritter http://www.mevis-research.de/ ~ritter/awakeideas/fmtools.html	Capabilities include bookwide searching for text, character and paragraph tags, markers etc. as well as opening all files in a book iconified.

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fmGraphicTool s (1)	Freeware	WIN	3	Felix Ritter http://www.mevis-research.de/ ~ritter/awakeideas/fmtools.html	Provides additional capabilities for working with FrameMaker graphic objects. Capabilities include various copy/paste and resizing operations. All operations can be undone.
					• Select Parent Object: This functionality proves to be quite useful, if you want to select the frame of a graphic object or a one cell table that is completely filled by a graphic object.
					• Select Next Object Below: Graphic objects have a stacking order that determines their visibility. To select an object hidden by another object use this functionality.
					• Select Next Object Above: Graphic objects have a stacking order that determines their visibility. This function serves as pendant to 'Select Next Object Below'.
					 Trim Table Title: This function adjusts the left and right margins of the table title's paragraph to fit exactly below the table
					• Copy Graphic Props: Copies graphic properties of a selected objects. Later, selected properties, e.g. size or position, can be applied to a different object.
					• Paste Graphic Pos: Apply the position properties that have been copied from a previously selected object by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. The position is relative to the parent frame.
					• Paste Graphic Left Pos: Apply the left horizontal position property that has been copied from a previously selected object by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. The position is relative to the parent frame.
					• Paste Graphic Right Pos: Apply the right horizontal position property that has been copied from a previously selected object by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. The position is relative to the parent frame.
					• Paste Graphic Top Pos: Apply the top vertical position property that has been copied from a previously selected object by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. The position is relative to the parent frame.
					• Paste Graphic Bottom Pos: Apply the bottom vertical position property that has been copied from a previously selected object by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. The position is relative to the parent frame.

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Name	Type/Cost	OS	FM Version	Source	Description
fmGraphicTool s (2)	Freeware	WIN	3	Felix Ritter http://www.mevis-research.de/ ~ritter/awakeideas/fmtools.html	 Paste Graphic Size: Apply the width and height property that have been copied from a previously selected object by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. Paste Graphic Width: Apply the width property that have been copied from a previously selected object by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. Paste Graphic Height: Apply the height property that have been copied from a previously selected object by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. Resize Graphic to Copied Width: Make the selected graphic object the same width as the object from which the graphic properties have been copied by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. The aspect ratio of the graphic object is kept. Resize Graphic to Copied Height: Make the selected graphic object the same height as the object from which the graphic properties have been copied by using the 'Copy Graphic Props' function. The aspect ratio of the graphic object is kept. Resize Graphic to Grid Height: Resize the selected graphic object to a height that is a multiple of the documents grid spacing set in the 'View Options'-dialog. The factor can be entered in a dialog displayed upon coosing this function. The aspect ratio of the graphic object is kept. Make Figure Title Right: This function is quite specific in that it can be used to adjust the size and position of a text frame used as figure title in relation to a graphic object. Both the graphic object and the text frame must be placed in the same parent frame. The text frame will then be aligned to the right of the parent frame. In addition its size is adjusted to have a width that fills the space between the right border and the graphic object minus a left margin of 0.5 cm. Add Frame To Graphic: Adds a black rectangle of 0.5pt line width to surround the
					graphic object. The rectangle gets selected to make adjustments easier.Undo Operation
FrameScript	Plugin/Retail– \$149.95/seat, volume discounts apply des a site license for all F	WIN, Mac	6.0, 7.0, 7.1, 7.2, 8.0, 9.0		FrameScript has been developed with the FDK to interface with FrameMaker so that script writers can customize FrameMaker with utilities, etc. Sold as ElmScript in Germany.

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FrameSLT	Retail–\$100/seat, \$1000/site	WIN	3	West Street Consulting http:// www.weststreetconsulting.com/ WSC_FrameSLT.htm	 FrameSLT is an XPath-based structure management utility, allowing you to perform precise queries of your structure tree based on elements, attributes, and content, and perform a wide variety of automated structural modifications based upon these queries. Includes on XSLT emulator for structured FrameMaker, ellowing structural
					 Includes an XSLT emulator for structured FrameMaker, allowing structural transformations and extensive, granular single-sourcing of your structured FrameMaker content.
FSLog	Freeware	WIN	6.0, 7.0 ⁶	Sundorne Communications	Also requires Framescript 2.1
				http://www.sundorne.com/ FrameMaker/Freeware/fsLog.htm	FSLog provides a simple pass-through plugin that accepts FrameScript-style object definitions and converts them to a format suitable for the FrameMaker BookErrorLog plugin.
Hunt Overrides	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/ freeware/cud/	Part of Cudspan Tools. Lists instances of paragraph format overrides, separating overrides that are only due to page-breaks from other overrides. The list is a hypertext document you can use to navigate to the override instance.
ImpGraph	Plugin/ Shareware–\$25	WIN	6.x, 7.x, 8.0	Bruce Foster Plugins http://home.comcast.net/ ~bruce.foster/products.htm	Lets you specify the default settings for the anchored frame created when you import a graphic and the runaround settings for an imported graphic. The following anchored frame properties can be set: anchor position, alignment, cropped, floating, and baseline offset.
Import Formatted Tables	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6	ElectroPubs http://www.electropubs.com/ downloads.html	Use this DLL to import tab-delimited text into preformatted table definitions.
ImportFormats Special 1.5	Plugin/Retail–\$20/ seat, \$200/site	WIN	5.5.6+	Carmen Publishing http://www.frameexpert.com/ plugins/index.htm	Alters the Import Formats dialog box by replacing the Variable Definitions checkbox with two new check boxes (System Variable Definitions, User Variable Definitions)
					Can specify which categories of document properites that to import

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Index Tools	Plugin/ Shareware–\$10/ seat, \$100/site	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	 Provides tools to format generated indexes, including adding "continuation" lines for groups of entries that span multiple columns.
	Nags until you pay for it		MAC: 6.x, 7.x		
Index Tools	Plugin/	WIN,	WIN:	Silicon Prairie	 Allows embedding index entries into the flow of documents
Professional	Shareware–\$30/ seat, \$300/site	Мас	6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0	http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	 Provides tools to format generated indexes, including adding "continuation" lines for groups of entries that span multiple columns.
	Nags until you pay for it		MAC: 6.x, 7.x		 Includes a tool to make generating a master index for a set of FrameMaker books quick and easy.
					 Allows merging and continuation lines to be applied automatically, whenever a generate/update operation is performed on a FrameMaker book.
IndexRef	Retail–\$25/seat	WIN	6.0+	Sundorne Communications http://www.sundorne.com/ FrameMaker/IndexRef/ indexref.htm	IndexRef finds cross reference entries in an index, determines where the destination link should be, and rewrites the hyperlink so clicking it will jump to the appropriate place in the index. (E.g., changes Frames action so that if your index says to see another entry, clicking the See entry takes to to the entry in the index rather than to the document.)
IniSwitcher	Free	WIN	8	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	• Lets you switch between values in an INI file by selecting a command in FrameMaker. Particularly useful for switching between DITA-FMx and FM8-DITA, but works with any INI file.

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InsetPlus	Freeware	WIN	3	West Street Consulting	InsetPlus is a structure-based replacement for native text inset functionality.
(requires Structured FrameMaker)				http:// www.weststreetconsulting.com/ WSC_InsetPlus.htm	• Live text - Unlike native insets, the inset text comes in "live." This means it acts like any other text and can optionally be edited. It can also be refreshed from the source at any time to override manual alterations.
					• Easy path to update a module source - InsetPlus has an optional reverse path to update the source of an inset. Once you inset a module, it can be edited in the new document. Afterwards, you can choose to "update the source," which takes your changes and updates the source itself.
					 No limitations on source modules per flow - With native insets, your source module must be an entire flow of some document. With InsetPlus, you can put as many source modules as you want in any flow, because the modules are identified by structural metadata. The contents of a module source, therefore, can range from an entire flow down to a single character. A module source can even be contained in the same document and flow as a reference to it.
					• Use of books for module "repositories" - In addition to storing multiple module sources in a single file, you can also store a set of "source files" in a book and point your references to that book. In this way, an inset reference can search an entire book for a source module. This type of query functionality allows you to set up a virtual "database" of module sources, with the database being nothing more technically complex than structured FrameMaker files.
					 Functional cross-references in PDF - Because the content is inset "live," it acts like normal content, including normal cross-reference functionality in PDF form. Note, however, that the responsibility for managing links in a heavy reuse environment remains your responsibility and can represent a challenge.
					 Robust nested inset support - Because of the cascading nature of InsetPlus inset updates, module sources can inset other modules, with virtually no limit to the level of nesting.
					• Source module tracking - You can learn instantly where any source module is being used. Among other things, this is useful for making source module edits and ensuring that the context still applies to all referenced locations.
					• Better visibility and management of insets - Because inset containment is based on structural metadata, you can use all of structured FrameMaker's native conveniences to navigate and manage the content. The Structure View makes it easy to see exactly what text belongs to what inset.
					 Auxiliary management tools - InsetPlus provides a number of tools to assist with inset management, including inset coloring and reporting.

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IXgen	Plugin/Price varies based on quantity	WIN	5.5, 6x, 7x, 8.0, 9.0	Frank Stearns Associates http://www.fsatools.com	IXgen is the premiere indexing plugin for FrameMaker. First introduced in 1994, IXgen's suite of marker creation and editing tools makes indexing in FM many times faster and easier. Price includes a 5-year performance warranty. Fully-functional demos available.
Jump Back ¹	Plugin/Shareware \$10/seat	WIN	6.x, 7.x, 8.x, 9	ElectroPubs http://www.electropubs.com/ downloads.html	JumpBack lets you hyperlink back to the point in a document or book where you first activated a link. It "remembers" the last hypertext link that you activated and returns you to the original place in the document or book.
LEP Tools	Plugin/ Shareware–\$30/ seat, \$300/site	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0 MAC: 6.x, 7.x	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	 Special-purpose FrameMaker plug-in that helps generate a List of Effective Pages for a set of FrameMaker documents
ListDocs	Freeware	WIN	6.0, 7.0 ⁶	Sundorne Communications http://www.sundorne.com/ FrameMaker/Freeware/ listDocs.htm	Installs an option on the File menu whichdisplays all the open documents in your session, sorted by file name. You can select a file and click OK to bring it to the front.
ListShortcuts	Free	WIN	5, 6, 7	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	 Generates a list of the command shortcuts currently available in your FrameMaker installation.
MarkerTools	Retail–\$55/seat, \$825/site vides a site license for all E	WIN	6, 7	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	 Useful commands for working with markers (index or others) in FrameMaker. Enhanced marker dialog Search for both marker type and text Marker expand/collapse Marker export/import Marker variables and building blocks.

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Name	Type/Cost	OS	FM Version	Source	Description
MarkerWorker	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6, 7	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/ freeware/cud/	Part of Cudspan Tools. Generates a list to represent all markers of a specified type in a book or document. Once you generate the list, you can modify the marker text and then rebuild all the listed markers with your new marker text. Obvious uses include:
					Globally editing index markers
					Translating marker content
					Checking and correcting hypertext markers.
Master Page Tools	Plugin/ Shareware-\$10/ seat, \$100/site	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	Master Page Tools helps you easily apply master pages to FrameMaker documents, based on the paragraph tags used in the documents. It also contains a utility to list how master pages have been applied to FrameMaker
	Nags until you pay for it		MAC: 6.x, 7.x		documents.
MAXit Checker	Retail			Smart Communications http://www.smartny.com/ simplifiedenglish.htm	Controlled/simplified English. Used to ensure consistency of terminology and grammar to ease translation costs.
Mif2Go	Application/Retail- \$295/ first copy; site licenses available http:// www.omsys.com/ dcl/ orders.htm#siteli cense	WIN NT, 2K, XP (pref) WIN 9x, Me, Vista (supp)	5.5.6–9	Omsys Systems, Inc. http://www.omsys.com/	Automates conversion of MIF files to a number of other outputs, including Word RTF for any version of MS Word, XHTML, XML, MS HTML Help, JavaHelp, Oracle Help for Java, and WinHelp
¹ Electropubs provi	des a site license for all E		l ug-ins, with u	nlimited seats, for \$175	
				://cudspan.net/. CudSpan Tools are	n't there yet (05/17/09).
				<pre>://cudspan.net/. CudSpan Tools are site. Check with the vendor.</pre>	n't there yet (05/17/09).

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Name	Type/Cost	os	FM Version	Source	Description
MIFBrowser	Application/ Freeware	WIN	N/A	Graham Wideman http://www.wideman-one.com/gw/ tech/framemaker/mifbrowse.htm	Provides a tree view of MIF contents. No updates since 2003.
MIFML- Converter	Free	WIN	3	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	• Command line utility to convert MIF files to MIFML and MIFML files to MIF. A MIFML file is an XML representation of a MIF file.
MIFMuncher	Application/ Freeware	WIN	N/A	STC Carolina http://www.stc-carolina.org/www/ PICs/frame/tools/mifmunch.html	MIF Muncher massages a FrameMaker MIF (Maker Interchange Format) file to extract information. This version extracts stylesheet (paragraph tag) information from the MIF file and generates a tab-delimited ASCII text file that can be pulled into your favorite word processor and easily formatted into a table.
					16-bit version only. Will not be updated. Requires vbrun300.dll, also available on the page.
MIFSave	Plugin/ Shareware-\$10	WIN	6.x, 7.x, 8.0	Bruce Foster Plugins http://home.comcast.net/ ~bruce.foster/products.htm	Batch saves all the files in a book, and the book file, to MIF. NOTE: Does not support UNICODE in filenames.
MIFToFM	Plugin/ Shareware–\$10	WIN	6.x, 7.x, 8.0	Bruce Foster Plugins http://home.comcast.net/ ~bruce.foster/products.htm	 Batch saves all MIF files in a directory (and its subdirectories) to binary files. <filename>.book.mif converted to filename.book (Frame binary)</filename> <filename>.mif converted to <filename>.fm (Frame binary)</filename></filename> NOTE: Does not support UNICODE in filenames.
-					WARNING: Overwrites any .fm and .book files present in the directory

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Name	Type/Cost	os	FM Version	Source	Description
Modified FM Dialoges	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	7.x	Klaus Daube http://www.daube.ch/docu/ fmaker36.html	Leaves out the drop down lists which is redundant to the selection tabs in document numbering, paragraph designer and table designer. Provides more room for lengthy names of fonts, styles, table names, colours,
					cross references etc.
					Extends other small fields.
					NOTE: Modifies only the unstructured interface.
					NOTE: Crashes FM8.0. With the release of FM 9.0, no update for use with 8.x is planned.
mTools	Plugin/Retail-	WIN	7.0 and	Mekon ⁴	Remove empty paragraphs
	\$unknown		BEFOR	http://www.structured- publishing.com/Software/A-Z/	 Delete tabs within a text selection
			E	MTools/index.jsp	• Delete all catalogue formats, table formats, paragraph styles, character styles and conditional text formats
					 Show used paragraph formats on specific pages
					 Generate a printable document detailing files contained in a book
					 Find and replace on multiple lists of words in batch across a directory of files automated indexing.
mTools Plus	Plugin/Retail– \$unknown	WIN	7.0 and BEFOR	Mekon ⁴ http://www.structured-	 Perform find and replace on multiple lists of words in batch across a directory of files automated indexing
			E	publishing.com/Software/A-Z/ MTools/index.jsp	 Create a document with multiple spelling versions of the same word, to be displayed based on conditional text
					Perform batch deletion of markers within a document
					 Create an index by automatically assign index markers to multiple words in a document
					 Print a document based on different page order and paper size
MyHelp	Free	WIN	5, 6, 7	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	• Customize the Help menu in FrameMaker by adding menu items that open your Help files, PDFs,

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Outline Tools	Plugin/ Shareware–\$10/ seat, \$100/site Nags until you pay for it	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0 MAC: 6.x, 7.x	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	Outline Tools helps you work with outlines in FrameMaker. This simple plug-in makes outlining in FrameMaker easy, allowing you to move blocks of text with simple keyboard shortcuts.
PageBreaks 1.1	Plugin/Retail–\$20/ seat, \$200/site	WIN	5.5.6+	Carmen Publishing http://www.frameexpert.com/ plugins/index.htm	Adds a palette for inserting manual page breaks and Keep With settings for paragraphs and table rows
PageLabeler 2.5	Plugin/Retail–\$40/ seat, \$400/site	WIN	6.0+	Carmen Publishing http://www.frameexpert.com/ plugins/index.htm	Transfers FM numbering to Acrobat PDF files.
Paragraph Tools	Plugin/ Shareware–\$10/ seat, \$100/site Nags until you pay for it	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0 MAC: 6.x, 7.x	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	Paragraph Tools provides additional capabilities for working with paragraphs in FrameMaker documents. Capabilities include listing paragraph tag usage, removing unused paragraph tags from Frame documents, converting paragraphs to use different tags, and locating and removing paragraph tag overrides.
PgfWhopper	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/ freeware/cud/	Part of Cudspan Tools. Lists and deletes unused paragraph formats, character formats, and conditional text tags.
Readability Tools	Plugin/ Shareware–\$20/ seat, \$200/site Nags until you pay for it	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0 MAC: 6.x, 7.x	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	Features include determining document statistics, calculating standard readability formulas, generating readability reports, and producing lists and counts of all words used in a document or book. The Flesch Reading Ease, Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level, ARI (Automated Readability Index), SMOG, and Gunning Fog Index readability tests are available.
Reflcons	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/ freeware/cud/	Part of Cudspan Tools. Inserts icons next to paragraphs. Just design a format/ icon pair in your document, then use a single command to save the pair in the Reflcons palette. You can then use the format/icon pair in any document.

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Name	Type/Cost	OS	FM Version	Source	Description
Remove Local Formatting	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0	ElectroPubs http://www.electropubs.com/ downloads.html	This DLL removes "local" formatting from FrameMaker documents. Local formatting can be defined as formatting that does not match the definition of the text in the Paragraph Catalog.
RestoreWindo ws	Retail–\$12/seat, \$180/site	WIN	5, 6, 7	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	 Restores the window location, zoom factor, and view settings of opened documents along with the show/hide state of frequently used tool windows.
RoboMIF	Freeware	WIN		Adobe http://www.adobe.com/support/ robohelp/htmlhelp.html	 Convert any number of FrameMaker files or books to MIF
RTFSave	Plugin/ Shareware-\$10	WIN	6.x, 7.x, 8.0	Bruce Foster Plugins http://home.comcast.net/ ~bruce.foster/products.htm	Batch saves all the files in a book, and the book file, to RTF. NOTE: Does not support UNICODE in filenames.
RunaroundNo ne	Plugin/Retail–\$20/ seat, \$100/site	WIN	3	Carmen Publishing http://www.frameexpert.com/ plugins/index.htm	Solves the infamous FrameMaker "Scrollback Bug" . When you scroll forward through a document, Adobe FrameMaker for Windows sometimes jumps to a previous page. RunaroundNone.dll solves the problem for both new and existing graphics.
SDL Author Assistant	Freeware		9.0 only	Adobe http://www.adobe.com/support/ downloads/detail.jsp?ftpID=4357	Enables enterprise-wide consistency in grammar, style, and terminology and reusability of content. It checks written text for writing style issues that impact the content's readability and translatability.
					Free only for 9.0 customers
SetPrint	Freeware	WIN	6.0, 7.0 ⁶	Sundorne Communications http://www.sundorne.com/ FrameMaker/Freeware/ setPrint.htm	Sets Framemaker's default printer to Adobe PDF, no matter what the Windows default printer is. Can also be called as a client from FrameScript or FrameMaker plugins.
ShrinkWrapAs Is	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	6.0 ⁶	http://martinek.us/shrinkwrap.html	A small FDK plugin that preserves the settings for an anchored frame when shrink wrapping
					NOTE: This product is unsupported. The creator is anonymous. Do not mail Carla Martinek for support; she did not create the plugin.

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Name	Type/Cost	os	FM Version	Source	Description
Sourcerer	Freeware	WIN	7.0, 7.1 ⁶	Advantica	Use attributes & values to define conditional content:
				http://my.advantica.biz/sourcerer/	 Create unlimited numbers of multiple, overlapping conditions throughout your documents
					• Assign conditions directly in the structure, rather than in the FrameMaker's proprietary conditional text format
					 Preserve conditions during an SGML/XML roundtrip
					 Apply color schemes to your conditional content, including unique colors for unique combinations of overlapping conditions (in other words, no more magenta text)
					 Validate the structure of your conditional content
					 Create output directly in your source files or in a copy of your source files, while always maintaining the integrity of your original data
					 Conditionalize entire files within a book
					• Create unlimited author comments, automatically identified by name and date (which can also be conditionalized)
					Sourcerer works with any EDD, no matter what attributes and values you need. In addition, Sourcerer provides a series of "bonus" features designed to enhance the general structured environment, including file bookmarks and automatic window configuration.
Structure	Retail-\$20/seat,	WIN		West Street Consulting	 A custom, improved attribute editor
Tools	\$100/site			http://	 Attribute auto-population and better defaults handling
	Trial is unlimited, but nags until you		www.weststreetconsulting.com/ WSC_StructureTools.htm	 Consolidated book processing, with provisions for the automated structuring of generatable files 	
	buy it				 Automatic window positioning and configuration*
					 Additional shortcuts, such as toggling element brackets and expand/collapse elements in the Structure View*
					* This feature never produces nags.

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StructureSnip pets	Retail–\$40/seat, \$600/site	WIN	7, 8	Leximation Tools http://www.leximation.com/tools/	 Manage reusable structured content by saving snippet templates that can be inserted as needed.
Table Tools	Plugin/ Shareware–\$10/ seat, \$100/site Nags until you pay for it	WIN, Mac	WIN: 6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 9.0 MAC: 6.x, 7.x	Silicon Prairie http:// www.siliconprairiesoftware.com/	 Lists table tag usage Removes unused table tags from Frame documents Converts tables to use different tags Locates and removes table tag overrides. Generates a report listing all the characteristics of the table tags defined in a document.
TableCleaner 1.10	Plugin/Retail–\$60/ seat, \$600/site	WIN	3	Carmen Publishing http://www.frameexpert.com/ plugins/index.htm	 Straddle multiple rows and columns with one command. Remove custom ruling and shading from multiple tables. Resize multiple tables to the text column or text frame width of the table anchor. Resize multiple tables "by example." Resize a table to your liking and apply the column widths to multiple tables in the document. Choose which columns are resized. Convert body to heading rows in multiple tables. Apply paragraph formats to existing table cell paragraphs. Process multiple tables at once.
TableUtils	Plugin/Helpware	WIN, Mac	5.5	Jesper Bache http://www.bache.name/sgml.html	A utility that offers some basic math operations on table-cells. You can calculate the sum off selected table cells, add or multiply the cells with a number or round the cells to given number of decimals.
TimeSavers	Plugin/Retail– \$200/seat; volume discount available	WIN	6.x–9.x	MicroType http://www.microtype.com/	Utilities to enhance conversion from FM to PDF. See http://www.microtype.com/ImprovePDF.html for a description
TocBreaker	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/ freeware/cud/	Part of Cudspan Tools. Remembers page breaks and line breaks in your generated lists. Very useful in the later stages of a project when you have decided on custom breaks in the generated files, but you need to regenerate from time to time.

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Name	Type/Cost	OS	FM Version	Source	Description
Toolbar Plus	Plugin/Retail-\$25/	WIN	5.5, 6.0,	MicroType	Replaces Express Customization Kit. Includes:
	seat		7.0, 7.1, 7.2, 8.0	http://www.microtype.com/	• An enhanced formatting bar, with a character format and font drop-down menus; icons for copy attributes (paragraph, character, conditional text settings, column width), repeat operations, insert file, faster navigation.
					• A Quick Access bar with just two sets of tools (text & table, graphics 1 & 2, instead of four separate sets).
					 Many useful commands and common special characters easily accessible through function key and Application key combinations.
					• Context-sensitive right-click menus with additional items: Go Back, Save All, Close All, Pick Up Object Properties commands and more.
					 Quick reference guides: Windows standard shortcuts, escape commands for FrameMaker/Structured FrameMaker, interactive character set browser.

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Toolbox (1)	Priced by bundle	WIN	7.6.x,	System Gmbh	 Free module: Formats and codings in the marked area
Downloading the entire	or individual modules		8.x, 9.x	https://www.systec-gmbh.com/os/ index.php?cat=c176_TOOLBOX.ht	 FM<->MIF: Converts complete FrameMaker books at once into MIF 7.0 and MIF 8.0 and vice versa
toolbox gets				<u>ml</u>	 Imported Graphic: Export, Import or scale separate single graphics
you the free Format					 Index Marker: Automatically add index markers or character formats to certain words or filter or delete them
module, which					• Chapter TOC: Autotmatically update chapter-TOCs that have been set up manually
does not appear to be available					 Left/Right: Automatically correct the justification of paragraphes and tables of a certain format
separately.					 List of paragraph overrides: Easily get a list of all occurences, where manual text formatting overrides catalogue definition and comfortably jump to these occurences via hypertext
links: http:/					 Find/Change: Search and replace more words in one go
/ www.systec-					 Character format for conditional text: Automatically add index markers or character formats to certain words or filter or delete them
gmbh.com/ en/sites/					 Named Destinations: Work more comfortably with named destinations
downloads_e					 Books->PDF: Produce a PDF from more than one FrameMaker book at once
pub.php]					 Definitions Editor: View and change format definitions and marker texts in other encodings than the western-european one
					 Rename Formats: Rename formats for characters, paragraphs and cross-references to your liking
					 Format List: Produce a list of all formats in a document and their definitions
					 Special Characters: Comfortably insert frequently used special characters by using a palette
					 Statistics (Book in Book): Comfortably evaluate several FrameMaker books simultaneously in a detailed way for translation
					 Statistics (Doc/Book): Comfortably evaluate FrameMaker documents and books in a detailed way for translation
					 Book Utilities: ⁵

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Name	Type/Cost	os	FM Version	Source	Description
Toolbox (2)	Priced by bundle or individual modules	WIN	7.6.x, 8.x, 9.x	System Gmbh https://www.systec-gmbh.com/os/ index.php?cat=c176 TOOLBOX.ht	 Book Transfer (FM<->MIF): Transfer FrameMaker documents or books from one directory-structure to another with all references intact, with all files and insets converted to MIF
				ml	 Book Transfer: Transfer FrameMaker documents or books from one directory- structure to another with all references intact
					• DITA Utilities: ⁵
					 Server Analysis: Produce a list of all references within all documents in a certain directory structure
Track Changes	Plugin/Retail– \$100/seat, volume	WIN	7.1	Integrated Technologies, Inc. http://www.intech.com	Monitor, accept or reject revisions within Adobe FrameMaker 6.0/7.0 documents.
	pricing available				 Changes to text and graphics are monitored on Master, Reference and Body Pages and may be accepted / rejected individually or globally within these pages.
					 Revisions are clearly identifiable by style and color. These tracking styles and colors may be modified to match individual preferences.
					 Provides a What If? feature to check structure integrity
Tree Help	Shareware-	WIN	3	Datahansa	For Structured FrameMaker:
	\$29.95/license			http://datahansa.com/th/	• Collapsing the whole tree.
					• Expanding the whole tree.
					 Expanding the tree to the insertion point.
TreePrint	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/	Part of Cudspan Tools. Prints the structure tree of a FrameMaker+SGML document.
				freeware/cud/	 Requires the CudLog plugin.
WordCount	Plugin/Freeware	WIN	5.5.6, 6.0, 7.0	Cudspan ² http://www.freeframers.org/ freeware/cud/	Part of Cudspan Tools. A wordcount plugin that works with DoBatch. The download includes a sample batch file that shows commands to call this plugin via DoBatch.

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XRef Wizard	Retail–\$35/seat, \$350/site	WIN	3	West Street Consulting http:// www.weststreetconsulting.com/	• ID control - With the Wizard, you can control the IDs used for your cross-references. For each cross-reference inserted, you can accept the FrameMaker auto-generated ID, or use virtually any other ID you want.
	Trial is unlimited, but nags until you buy it			WSC_XRefWizard.htm	• Bookwide resolution based on IDs alone - Along with ID control, the Wizard can perform bookwide sweeps to resolve cross-references based on ID alone. Normally, a FrameMaker cross-reference is limited by the file reference, such that it will become broken if you move the target to another file. With the Wizard, you can overcome this limitation and look anywhere in a book to resolve cross-references, based on ID.
					• Cross-reference search, based on a given target - You can right-click on any potential cross-reference target and search an entire book for cross-references that target it.
					 Automatic setting of unique IDs - The Wizard can sweep an entire document or book and set unique ID attributes for selected elements. This action can be performed manually or in response to certain triggers, such as saving a document.
					 Bookwide ID "uniquification" - The Wizard can sweep an entire book and replace any duplicate unique ID values between files. FrameMaker forces unique IDs to be unique within a file, but not between files in a book. If you have difficulties with unique IDs between files, especially related to XML/SGML export, this feature may be particularly helpful.
XtraBookUtils	Plugin/Helpware	WIN,	5.5.6,	Jesper Bache	A utility that lets the user manipulate settings of all the documents in a book.
		Mac, Solari s	6.x, 7.x	http://www.bache.name/sgml.html	In addition to this XtraBookUtils lets you manipulate external cross references and references to imported graphics.
		-			With this utility you can for example turn off all change bars in all the documents in the book with one (small) action, or change all imported graphics to reference a high resolution version.

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