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NOTE: In the pro version the program works on your files. For the protection of your original files you should save these before the treatment! In principle you should save your files on a regular base.

Program description
With the PDF-Analyzer you have an analysis-tool specially for pdf files. An indispensable tool for everyone who's working much with pdf files, it will be appreciate to see directly all worth knowing of a selected pdf file without starting large pdf-applications – for example from the explorer context menu. That reaches from the document informations e.g. titles, topic affiliation and page layout or also pagecount of a file over security-relevant things such as data compression and copying permission or also encryption strength and password use up to the file attributes! Textextraction already included! It's a two-way-tool... You can use it from the explorer contextmenu and "stand alone" as a "PDF Browser", too. If one found a desired file, it can be started immediately over a linked reader (e.g. the Acrobat reader). Additionally the program offers an inbuilt preview, text extraction, text-analysis and xml-export for the pdf-properties of the selected pdf files.
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What's possible and what not
The function "Run" needs an installed PDF Reader. You get it for example (own download) for free from the adobe website or from pc magazine online or download archives. Normally the PDF-Analyzer uses the linked (with pdf-files) pdf-viewer... If you want to call a special viewer from PDF-Analyzer you have to create a file called pdfread.cfg (you can do it with notepad for example). This file contains a complete path with the name of the program-file for your special pdf-reader. If you want to use another pdf-reader you can use this file pdfread.cfg. The cfg-file must be copied in the free user-directory (you can see it on the tab screen "File" inside the PDF-Analyzer). There's no need to use the Acrobat Reader - take the reader you like the most (i'm preferring the Foxit Reader).

This application can analyze all pdf-documents. It can process 40, 128 and 256 bit, RC4- and AES-encryption.

If there's a user-password it seems that the file creator had the wish that his pdf file should be "unaffected" for ever - in this case therefore also no text-extraction and text-analysis is possible.

How to use ...

G e n e r a l l y :

Apart from the mouse operation also keyboard operation is possible. The individual selection and input fields can be started successively with the Tab key. So also drives and directories can be selected and opened by the use of character keys with the enter key. The file listbox (down, on the left) indicates in principle only pdf files. Either a file can to be selected by a mouse-click or one can browse with the arrow-keys (up and down) through the files.

For safety and data security reasons no pdf files can be worked on, which are protected with a user password... Which also should be in your interest as a respectable user ;-) Working on files with a main password is possible. If not you should reset the main password with PDF-Analyzer Pro.

C o n t e x t m e n u :

Important switching surface functions and more can be released also over the context menu (right mouse button). Also the installation and uninstallation of the program into the context menu of the Windows Explorer can be initiated here. In the future then only a pdf file needs to be marked in the Explorer, the right mouse button ... "PDF-Analyzer" ... and then you can see it all ...
Sometimes there can be few troubles if there's already the "normal" Acrobat Reader inserted. In this case please use the possibility to insert the PDF-Analyzer in the explorer contextmenu under "send to ...".
Additionally you can mark a pdf-document in the windows explorer and move it onto the screen of the PDF-Analyzer to see all properties.

In the context menu there're the following special functions...

[-Zoom the file window (on / off)-].
One mouseclick and directory- and file-window will be much larger to select more comfortable if there're longer directory- and file-names. The second mouseclick will reset width and height to the old dimensions.

[-Refresh the file window-].
When you've initiated a searching there will be only few pdf-files (the result of the searching) in the filelist-window... If you want to see all pdf-files again you can use this function.

[-Register the PDF-Analyzer into the explorer-contextmenu-].
You can insert the PDF-Analyzer directly into the contextmenu of your explorer. So in the future you can select a pdf-file in your explorer – right mouseclick – "PDF-Analyzer" – That's it!

[-Remove the PDF-Analyzer from the explorer-contextmenu-].
Here you can delete the PDF-Analyzer settings from the explorer contextmenu.

[-Insert PDF-Analyzer at - send to ... - into explorer contextmenu-].
Sometimes there can be a bit trouble while working with the PDF-Analyzer and the Acrobat Reader – side by side – in the explorer contextmenu! In this case use this

function. The PDF-Analyzer then will be under "send to …" in the explorer contextmenu. That's one click more but comfortable, too.

[-Remove PDF-Analyzer from - send to … - in explorer contextmenu-].
Here you can delete the PDF-Analyzer settings from "send to …" under the explorer contextmenu.

[-Order the pro version online-].
If your online-connection is active you can order immediately over a secure server. If there're problems please use www.pdf-analyzer.com for ordering.

T h e b u t t o n s …

[-Run-].
Here the selected file could be seen with a linked pdf reader (in general that will be probably the Acrobat Reader).
If you want to use another special pdf-reader you have to insert a file named pdfread.cfg in the program directory of the PDF-Analyzer. This cfg-file contains the new pdf-reader-file with its complete path and drive. An example for this text-line could be:
"c:\program files\tools\pdf_example_reader.exe".

[-Print-].
Here the selected file could be print out immediately in an optimized way on the standard printer. You only have to insert start- and endpage. No installed pdf-reader is necessary for this.

[-Change-].
Sorry! Only a button to refer in this freeware version to the pro version ;-)

[-Preview-].
Not only a preview but an internal pdf-viewer with browse- (page back, page forward, to the first page, to the last page) and zoom-functionality. The last settings here are still known for the next files as long as the application is running.

[-TextContent-].
Text contents of the current file will be extracted and shown in a linked text-editor (for example notepad).

[-Textanalysis-].
The text-content of the selected pdf-file will be extracted and examined. All words, characters, letters, punctuations and key-hits will be counted.

[-XMLexport-].
You can export the attributes/properties of the selected pdf-file in the automatically generated directory ...\pdfanalyzer\xmlexport (below the free windows userdirectory) as a xml-file. You'll see the directory on the tab screen "File".

Good to know working on pdf files

There are few rules, which must be considered during processing of pdf files (not only with this program)...
1. If it's possible the 256-bit-encryptionlevel should be avoided, because this is only supported starting from the Acrobat reader 9.0 and users of older reader versions couldn't use this files.
2. If you put pdf files on a website or on a cd rom, there should be also a download link to Adobe to download and install the free acrobat reader if it is already missing.
3. Some extended pdf properties requires 128-bit-encryption. It's up to the user to decide if the advantage of the extended pdf properties are better then the disadvantage of the necessary newer Acrobat reader version.
4. Some security-settings have influences on other settings. For example if it's completely not allowed to change the document it's not allowed to fill formfields, too...
5. The assignment of a main password protects the made pdf properties and layout settings from changes.
6. The assignment of a user password requires the input of a user-password while opening a pdf file - if there's only a main password there's no need to enter a password while opening. If there's only a user password set without a special main-password, the user value will be the main password, too.
7. The input of main password is sufficient to unlock a pdf - you don't need the user-password!)
8. If the file should be able to be used unchangeable by everyone, then you should always use a long and cryptic main password!

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The program file.
- pdfaverz.cfg
This file contains the last directory where PDF-Analyzer Pro was working.
- pdfread.cfg
This file contains a complete path with the name of the program-file for a special pdf-reader. If you want to use another pdf-reader than your standard reader you can use this file pdfread.cfg. This cfg-file should be in the free windows-user-directory (if you don't know it please look on the forth screen of PDF-Analyzer).
- pdfapi.cfg
This file makes sure that the program starts with the same data-section, which was open last time.
- faq.pdf
A small how-to and faq-file with main and important questions and answers while and for using PDF-Analyzer.
- getting_started.pdf
For fast success… Description of single steps from main functionalities.
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Here you can read about the additional functionality in the pro-version and how to order it.
While working with the PDF-Analyzer you'll get additional cfg-files in your app-directory/windows user path. These cfg-files contain additional preset-data for working with the PDF-Analyzer.

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