

Stemming Selector 4

User Guide

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Quick Start

Stemming Selector 4 is for use with dtSearch Desktop or dtSearch Network to provide language specific stemming. Because dtSearch Desktop uses the stemming rules at search time (known as Query Conflation) there is no need to re-index for each language and no need to have language specific indexes.

Language specific stemming is essential to obtain the high recall demanded by professionals in the legal, law enforcement, intelligence, and other serious research fields for non-English data. *

Stemming Selector 4 is distributed on its own for use in conjunction with dtSearch Desktop or dtSearch Network or as part of a Language Extension Pack (LEP500 series) for use by end-users or developers.

1. From the **Settings** menu, choose **Target Path...** (see Fig 1) and browse to the dtSearch stemming.dat file; this will normally be found under the c:\Program Files (x86)\dtSearch\bin\ folder (Windows 7) or c:\Program Files\dtSearch\bin\ folder (on Windows XP).



Fig 1

2. Select a language from the drop-down list, dtSearch will use the stemming language that you have selected to expand your search query, there is no need to update the index. You can change the stemming language at any time with dtSearch running or not.

3. In the dtSearch Desktop search dialog make sure Stemming is selected. You will notice that with stemming selected you will normally get more hits in your search results than with it unselected.

4. You can either close the Stemming Selector or minimise it to the Windows task bar, your settings are automatically saved. If you are frequently changing the stemming language you may find it more convenient to choose the **Always on top** option from the **Settings** menu. (You will need to unselect **Always on top** if you need to access the Help|About dialog).

The languages that are displayed in the drop-down list depend on the product license purchased as below.

SLS500 or LEP500 - All languages listed in Tables A, B and C (see page 6)

SLS502 or LEP502 - All languages listed in Table A

SLS503 or LEP503 - All languages listed in Table B

LEP500, LEP502, LEP503

If you have purchased a Language Extension Pack you will also have test files and stop word lists for all the languages in Tables A, B and C. You can find details of how these are used in the LEP500 Guide. The Language Pack licenses also include ability to generate multiple stemming language files in the same format as the previous LEP400 series, these can be distributed with an application to the extent of your license. See **Command-line Options** on page 5.

* User Thesaurus Plus is another add-on product that can further enhance recall and supplement the stemming feature; it is supplied with a number of thesauri including irregular verbs in English, German, Dutch, Spanish and Italian, and English irregular nouns. User Thesaurus Plus is included with LEP500, LEP502 and LEP503 language packs for distribution with an application to the extent of your license, or can also be licensed separately for end-user use only.

Installation & Registration

You must have dtSearch Desktop or dtSearch Network installed on your machine before trying to install the Stemming Selector 4. This version of the Stemming Selector does not require the install of LEP400 or LEP500, it can be used on its own in conjunction with dtSearch Desktop/Network to change the stemming language at any time.

Installation

Download (Save...) the file SLS500_Setup.zip to the machine where you want to install it, right-click on the file and choose Extract All... , choose a path where you want to save the files (e.g. your My Downloads folder). The files will be extracted to a folder, open the folder and double-click on setup.exe to run it, then follow the instructions. The installer will create a short-cut on your Windows Programs menu named **Stemming Selector** under the folder DTSUK.

Evaluation Version

When first installed the program will run in evaluation mode. The evaluation version will run for 30-days, it will allow you to select all the languages shown in Tables A & B. After the 30-days has elapsed it will revert to English. You can enter a serial number at any time during or after the evaluation period.

Registration

If you have purchased a license for LEP500, LEP502, LEP503, SLS500, SLS502 or SLS503 you will need to enter the serial number to unlock the languages and other options that your product license covers. From the **Help | About** menu press the **Add serial...** button (Fig 2). Enter the serial number and press OK. (If you have entered an invalid number the text boxes will turn red). We recommend that you register your purchase online at www.dtsearch.co.uk, from the Support menu choose Register product.



Fig 2

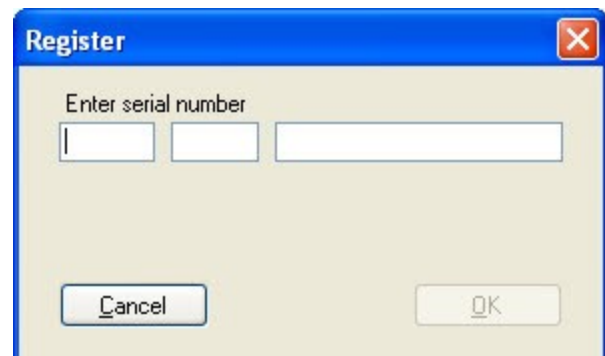


Fig 3

Uninstalling

If you need to uninstall go to **Windows Settings | Control Panel | Add or Remove Programs** and click on StemSelect4 (or LEP500 if it was installed as part of a Language Extension pack).

Command-Line Options

- rusp	Choose this to add the bi-lingual 'Russian Plus' stemming rules to the drop-down list. These are useful if you have a collection of documents that have mixed text in Russian (Cyrillic) and one of the Latin character based languages as shown in Table C.	(LEP500 version only) The status strip will show R+ if this is applied.
- exp	<p>This option will export the stemming languages file that are selected in the drop-down list to the Target folder.</p> <p>1) Select the Target folder from the Settings menu (we recommend using the ...LEP500\Language\Stemming folder, select the stemming.dat file; if you use a different folder it will need to contain a file named stemming.dat).</p> <p>2) Select the stemming language rules that you require. A quick way to export them all is to select the first item in the drop-down list, then press the down-arrow key on your keyboard to reach the end of the list. The files will be exported in the ST_ <i>language</i>.dat file name format as used in previous versions of the Language Pack.</p>	(LEP500, LEP502, LEP503 versions only) The status strip will show EXP if this is applied.

To run StemSelect4.exe with command line options , create a short-cut on your desktop then right-click on it and choose Properties; enter the command line in the Target window as shown below (Fig 4).

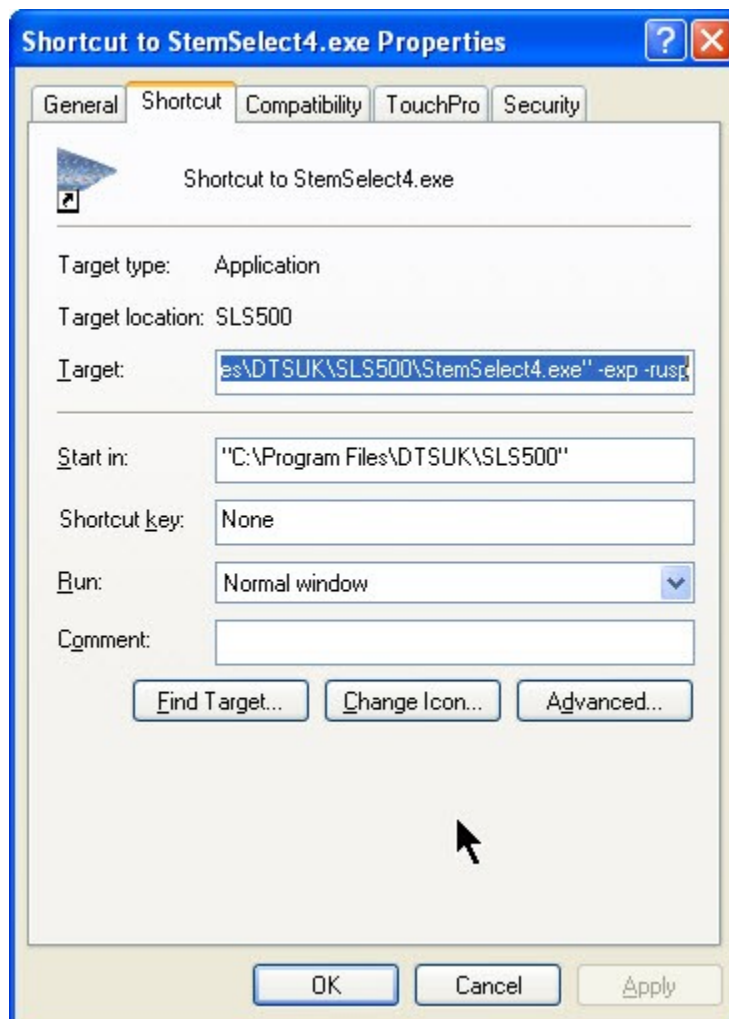


Fig 4. Short-cut Properties dialog

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