

Introduction to IBM Operational Decision Manager for Rule Authors

ZB036 (Self-paced)

Course description

This course introduces rule authors to IBM Operational Decision Manager through a combination of recorded lectures and a hands-on lab exercise.

The course provides an overview of business rule and decision management concepts before introducing IBM Operational Decision Manager.

You then learn about the rule authoring and management features in the Decision Center Business console, which is the primary Operational Decision Manager tool for rule authors.

In the lab exercise, you use the Business console to view and edit rules, run tests and simulations, and deploy completed rules.

For information about other related courses, see the IBM Training website:

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General information

Delivery method

Self-paced virtual classroom (SPVC)

Course level

ERC 1.0

Product and version

IBM Operational Decision Manager Standard V8.8

Audience

This course is designed for rule authors and other business users who use Operational Decision Manager.

Learning objectives

After completing this course, you should be able to:

* Describe the relationship between business policies and rules
* Describe a business rule
* Describe the benefits of using IBM Operational Decision Manager as part of a decision management solution
* Use the Decision Center Business console to complete rule authoring and management tasks

Prerequisites

* Experience with business policies and rules

Duration

2.5 hours

Skill level

Basic

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| Classroom (ILT) setup requirements | |
| Processor | Intel i7-3630QM processor or faster |
| GB RAM | 8 |
| GB free disk space | 120 |
| Network requirements | None |
| Other requirements | None |

Notes

The following unit and exercise durations are estimates, and might not reflect every class experience. If the course is customized or abbreviated, the duration of unchanged units will probably increase.

This course is a new course. It contains content from the following materials:

* InterConnect 2016 Lab: “Discovering the value of IBM Operational Decision Manager V8.8,” Rules Business Track
* Course WB396 / ZB396, *Managing Decisions in IBM Operational Decision Manager V8.7.1*

Course agenda

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| Course introduction  Duration: 10 minutes |

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| Unit 1. Introducing IBM Operational Decision Manager  Duration: 20 minutes | |
| Overview | This unit provides an overview of business rules and decision management. It also introduces you to IBM Operational Decision Manager, and how it works as part of a decision management solution. |
| Learning objectives | After completing this unit, you should be able to:   * Describe the relationship between business policies and rules * Describe a business rule * Identify the various kinds of rule artifacts * Explain the benefits of using Operational Decision Manager as part of a decision management solution |

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| Unit 2. Rule authoring and management in Decision Center  Duration: 20 minutes | |
| Overview | In this unit, you learn how to work with the Decision Center Business console to author and manage rules. |
| Learning objectives | After completing this unit, you should be able to:   * Describe the rule authoring and management features of the Decision Center Business console |

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| Exercise 1. Introduction to rule authoring and management in Decision Center  Duration: 1 hour and 30 minutes | |
| Overview | In this exercise, you learn how to perform basic rule authoring and management tasks in the Decision Center Business console. |
| Learning objectives | After completing this exercise, you should be able to:   * Work with a decision service * Create and run test suites and simulations * Edit rules and decision tables * Use collaboration features to view the history of rule changes * Deploy completed rules |

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| Unit 3. Course summary  Duration: 10 minutes | |
| Overview | This unit summarizes the course and provides information for future study. |
| Learning objectives | After completing this unit, you should be able to:   * Explain how the course met its learning objectives * Access the IBM Training website * Identify other IBM Training courses that are related to this topic * Locate appropriate resources for further study |

For more information

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