

Greetings from the JCAT team,

On the installation disk provided you will find the JCAT installation program as well as a release notes document with information about this and all previous versions. Also included on the disk is the Java Runtime Environment installation package. This version of JCAT requires JRE version 1.5 or higher to run. If you have no JRE or an older version installed please remove any older versions and install the version included on the disk.

For assistance in getting started in using JCAT, there are several resources which can be found in the Help menu within JCAT. These include “Help”, the “Model Wizard” and the JCAT “Tutorial”. The Model Wizard will walk you through step by step, the creation of a very basic causal model using JCAT. The Tutorial will guide you through the various tools and options that JCAT has to offer. For more complete help use the Help option. This is the full help documentation for JCAT and includes “context sensitive” help to direct you to a topic of interest when clicking of various locations within JCAT.

Also included in the installation of JCAT you will find several PDF documents describing some of the theory behind JCAT and Bayes Networks.

These tools and documents will help you get started in using JCAT. If further assistance is needed please feel free to contact any of us on the JCAT team. Also please check out our website (www.uncertainreasoning.com) where you will find among other things such as the JCAT user forum. We are also interested in your input on ways to improve JCAT’s features and/or usability. Thanks for your interest.

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