

The Prime Machine: Software Version History

The Prime Machine is a user-friendly corpus tool for English language teaching and selftutoring based on the Lexical Priming theory of language; the software was developed by Stephen Jeaco.

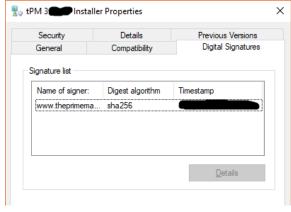
For more details see <u>www.theprimemachine.net</u>

Latest Version	3.0.12.x
ZIP Folder	.EXE Modified 04 June 2018, 09:28:16
Windows Installer Package	04 June 2018, 09:32:33
Thumbprint	f84bd5f57277ada537da8e9140db127029374eff
Current Server Version	tPM Server 3.05^{\dagger}

⁺ The Server Version will be displayed when you connect.

Prior to Version 3, the software was only available to staff and students at Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Suzhou, China.

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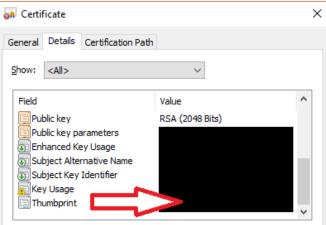


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Summary of developments and bug fixes:

3.0.12.x	Fixes for connections "distant" or with greater network latency, and other
04/06/2018	fixes:
	 Fixed: The "quicker notification" function introduced in 3.0.11
	unfortunately meant that users without high speed connections
	through to the server in Suzhou were unable to connect ¹ ; this has
	therefore been made less sensitive, but will mean the App may take 20 seconds or so to timeout on the (hopefully rare) occasions when the
	server is inaccessible, or if the user selects "Try tPM Home Network"
	when not connected to the tPM Home Network.
	 Fixed: The DIY Corpus Tool feature allowing users to create lists of
	clusters containing a specific word now does display correct values for
	frequency and category counts.
	• Fixed: Issue with scrolling through texts in DIY Corpus after using the
	Average MI Score feature.
	 Enhanced: The DIY Corpus Tools now convert space-like characters to
	a normal space; this is particularly useful for texts from websites which
	may have included non-breaking space characters, etc.
3.0.11.x 14/05/2018	Minor bug fixes and enhancements:
14/05/2018	 New: Error message displayed if connection fails; Enhanced: List of servers extended to include theprimemachine.net;
	 Enhanced: Quicker notification of connection issue (if attempt to
	connect fails);
	• Fixed: Issue with priming tendency icons when application window is
	covered by another window;
	Minor bug fixes
3.0.10.x	Minor bug fixes
10/04/2018	
3.0.1.x	V3 Major new release:
28/12/2017	This new version allows external (offsite) access for the first time, along with a host of new features:
	Off-site access available
	 Offline mode (previously saved search results can be viewed offline)
	 Frequencies Tab added
	 Lines/Cards tab re-vamped; Lines + available for both sides
	• Cards redesigned (Lines/Cards Tab now more responsive)
	Filtering re-vamped
	 Concordance line sorting updated (user now receives a fixed random
	sample; sorting works locally without needing to retrieve new results)
	 Range of LL Collocation patterns increased
	Delta P Collocations added
	 Additional contextual environment patterns (on Graphs Tab):
	 Quotations Part-of-Speech (based on pre-tagging by CLAWS)
	 Complexity (Projecting Sentence added)

	 Meanings (Wordlists updated; UCREL Semantic Tagger also used)
	 Repetition (now measures repetition in window one sentence
	before/after sentence containing the node)
	Labels Tab: Neighbourhood labels added based on UCREL Semantic
	Tagging
	 Wordlists updated
	 DIY Text Tools
	 DIY Text Import DIY Corpus Sous (Lood)
	 DIY Corpus Save/Load DIY Wordlist Tools
	Wordlist
	 MI Collocations
	 LL Collocations
	 Clusters
	 Key Associates
	 Wordlist Statistics
	 Keywords
	 Key Keywords
	 Concordance lines
	 Multiple Searches
	 Clusters
	 Compare with other DIY Corpus or with online corpus
	LL Calculator
	Corpus Text List
	Improvements to Search Screen
	Search History functional when offline
	s search history functional when online
2.07	Minor bug fixes
28/03/2017	
2.05	Minor bug fixes
23/03/2016	
2.01	V2 Major new release (XJTLU only):
24/02/2016	Version 2 included many enhancements including a range of research-related
	features:
	Additional contextual environment patterns (on Graphs Tab):
	• Voice (near basic <i>to be</i> and near basic <i>to have</i> added)
	• Meaning (positive and negative words from wordlists in nearby
	context)
	Research Tools added
	 Multiple Searches
	 Wordlists
	 Clusters Kow words based on priming features
1.0	 Key words based on priming features
1.0	V1 (XJTLU only)
16/05/2014	
10/03/2014	This version is the version described in the doctoral thesis, and is the version used for the initial evaluation in May 2014.

 Jeaco, S. (2015). The Prime Machine: a user-friendly corpus tool for English language teaching and self-tutoring based on the Lexical Priming theory of language. Unpublished Ph.D. dissertation, University of Liverpool. Thesis available for immediate download from: The University of Liverpool repository: <u>https://livrepository.liverpool.ac.uk/2014579/</u> or The British Library:
 The British Library: <u>http://ethos.bl.uk/OrderDetails.do?uin=uk.bl.ethos.658124</u>

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¹ Thanks to those who tried the first public release of tPM and helped me narrow down the cause of this problem.