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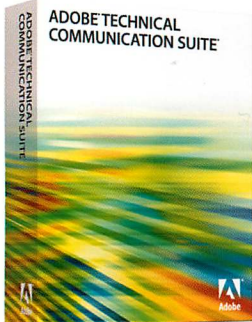
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New technologies and new demands are changing the way technical and instructional information is authored and distributed. In the past, the roles of content providers, authors in technical communications, eLearning professionals, and instructional designers were distinct and separate. As a technical communicator, you would work with subject matter experts and typically specialize in either print or online documentation using tools specifically designed for your needs. Even if roles overlapped, technical communicators and information specialists would find it hard to share content between their distinct authoring environments. Today, however, these boundaries are fast disappearing. Technical communicators are being asked to go beyond their traditional responsibilities and to streamline their workflows and collaborate with subject matter experts to create engaging interactive content cost-effectively for different audiences and purposes, in multiple languages, and in different formats. At the same time, instructional designers an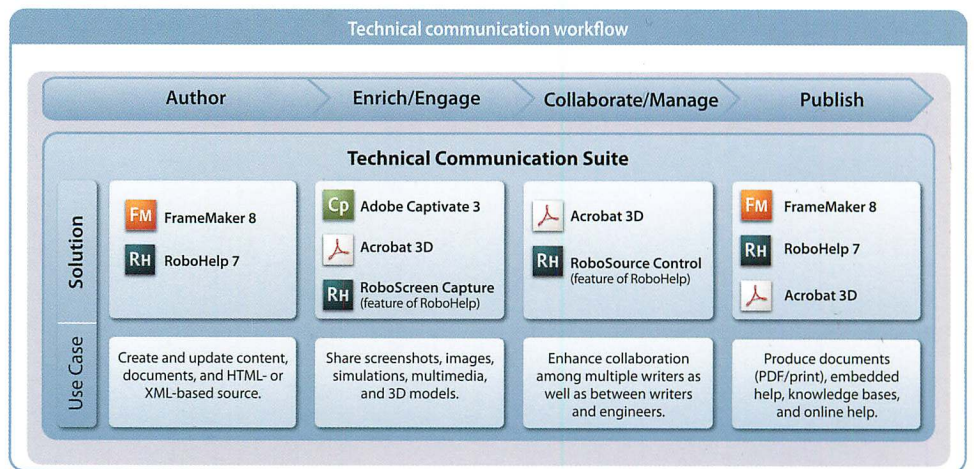d training and eLearning professionals are being asked to enhance and extend their skills to deliver content normally created by technical communicators.

Adobe Technical Communication Suite software is a complete solution for authoring, managing, and publishing technical information and instructional content in multiple languages and formats. Using this suite, you can create and maintain technical documentation, user assistance systems, knowledge bases, simulations, software demonstrations, and other support and training information. Integrate images and interactive rich media—such as 3D models created in Acrobat 3D and animations and movies viewable with Adobe Flash® Player— and create engaging demos and simulations in Adobe Captivate without programming or multimedia skills. Add and link Adobe FrameMaker source files to Adobe RoboHelp software projects, effortlessly update RoboHelp topics when linked source files have been updated, and easily single-source technical information in multiple languages for different audiences and purposes.
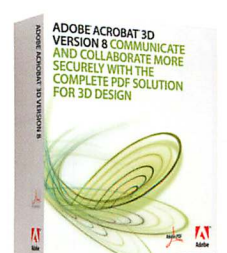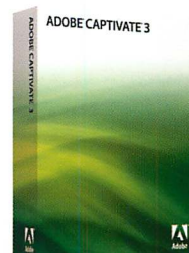
# STREAMLINE YOUR TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION WORKFLOW

**Adobe Technical Communication Suite:**

- Provides everything you need to create professional technical documents and books, help systems, knowledge bases, and interactive training and eLearning content

- Enables you to publish technical information and help systems in multiple languages and formats—including HTML, XML, and WebHelp—as well as Adobe PDF documents with live 3D models, and animations and movies viewable with Adobe Flash Player

- Offers improved integration between applications, including 3D support in FrameMaker, support for Adobe Captivate simulations and demos in FrameMaker and RoboHelp, and enhanced RoboHelp and FrameMaker collaboration features

- Lets you add and link FrameMaker files to RoboHelp projects and easily update linked files in RoboHelp projects

- Enables you to make your content easier to navigate with tables of contents, indexes, and extensive cross references in FrameMaker and RoboHelp

- Allows you to capture, edit, and insert screen captures without having to leave your RoboHelp and FrameMaker authoring environment, and enables you to integrate text, images, illustrations, tables, animated demos, simulations, 3D models, and content viewable with Adobe Flash Player to create more compelling documentation, support, and training content

## Technical communication workflow

| Author | Enrich/Engage | Collaborate/Manage | Publish |
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### Technical Communication Suite

| Solution | FM FrameMaker 8 | Cp Adobe Captivate 3 | Acrobat 3D | FM FrameMaker 8 |
| | RH RoboHelp 7 | Acrobat 3D | RH RoboSource Control (feature of RoboHelp) | RH RoboHelp 7 |
| | | RH RoboScreen Capture (feature of RoboHelp) | | Acrobat 3D |
| Use Case | Create and update content, documents, and HTML- or XML-based source. | Share screenshots, images, simulations, multimedia, and 3D models. | Enhance collaboration among multiple writers as well as between writers and engineers. | Produce documents (PDF/print), embedded help, knowledge bases, and online help. |

Get everything you need to author, manage, and publish technical information.

# ADOBE FRAMEMAKER
## AUTHOR AND PUBLISH
## TECHNICAL DOCUMENTATION

Adobe FrameMaker 8 software is a powerful tool for technical communicators that combines word processing and XML-based structured authoring with template-based publishing.

### Enjoy integrated authoring tools

Create, edit, review, and publish technical content with powerful features for automatic numbering, cross-references, tables of contents, indexes, books, and more. Automate formatting using templates, and integrate tables, graphics, and images.

### Be productive in a flexible authoring environment

Take advantage of new support for DITA's topic-based authoring capabilities. Work in a familiar style-tagging word processing mode or in a fully structured environment optimized for editing and producing valid XML and SGML. Easily convert existing documents to structured content through conversion tables. Manage content entirely in XML, utilize XSLT during editing, and conform to industry standards such as DITA and DocBook.

### Author content for global audiences

Edit and create content in multiple languages, and author content for global audiences with dictionary and hyphenation support for most languages with new Unicode support.
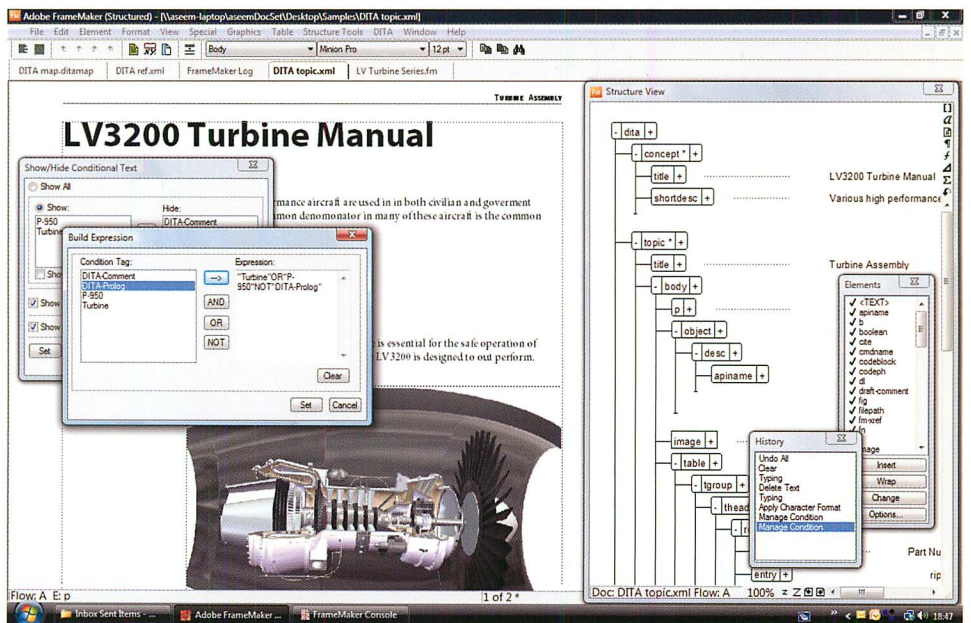
### Create more engaging documentation

Create more engaging online documentation by incorporating interactive 3D designs created in Adobe Acrobat 3D, rich animations viewable 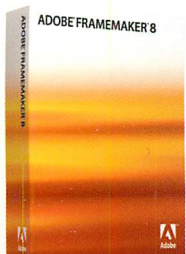with Flash Player, presentations, and simulations created with Adobe Captivate software. Generate Adobe PDF files with interactive 3D models.

### Leverage powerful, scalable single-sourcing

Effortlessly single-source variations of the same document for different channels and purposes by building complex Boolean expressions for defining output filters in structured and unstructured mode. Or use attributes to control conditional output in structured mode.



Enjoy new 3D support, user interface enhancements, and built-in DITA support in FrameMaker 8.

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# ADOBE ROBOHELP 7
## EASILY CREATE PROFESSIONAL HELP SYSTEMS AND KNOWLEDGE BASES

Adobe RoboHelp 7 software gives technical communicators, help authoring professionals, and web developers the tools to build, manage, and publish professional, Web 2.0 ready help systems and knowledge bases in multiple languages and formats.

### Easily create professional help content

Use automated wizards and templates to quickly create powerful embedded help systems and knowledge bases that incorporate standard and advanced help features, including multiple tables of contents, indexes, glossaries, search, context-sensitive help, graphics, Adobe Captivate show-me movies and interactive simulations, Adobe Flash Player compatible animations, and more.

### Leverage powerful single-sourcing

Generate multiple online formats—including WebHelp, Adobe FlashHelp,® XML, HTML, Compiled HTML Help, JavaHelp, Oracle Help for Java,™ WinHelp, and PDF—and use conditional tags and user-defined variables to output custom content, tailored for specific formats or purposes, from the same source project.
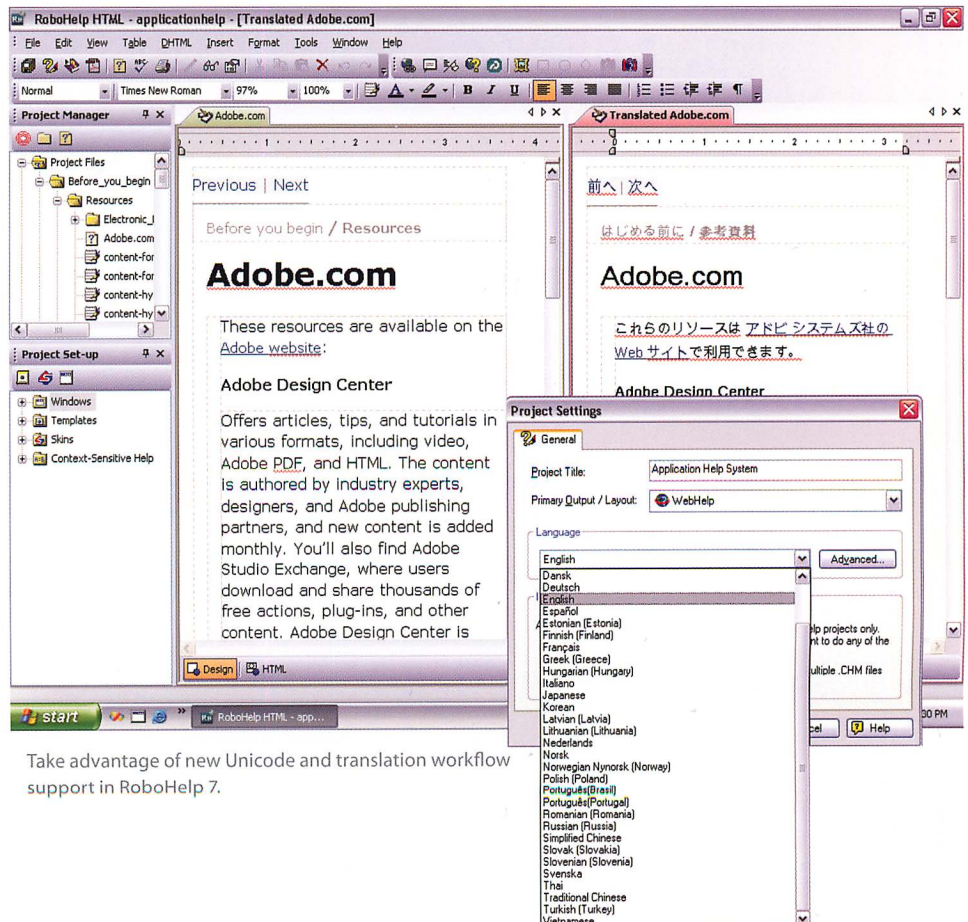
### Author content in multiple languages

Author, edit, and spell-check content in multiple languages with Unicode support. RoboHelp 7 supports authoring in 35 languages, with dictionary support and spell-checking in most of these languages.
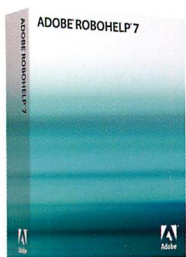
### Enjoy flexible content handling

Import content from existing projects—including Adobe PDF, Adobe FrameMaker, HTML, XML, or Microsoft Word documents (including the new Word 2007 DOCX format) as well as SWF, AVI, and MP3 files—to create professional help systems using the improved built-in true code HTML editor.

### Collaborate with other authors

Limit file access to one user at a time with Adobe RoboSource Control; assign various levels of access rights; view a complete history of document edits; roll back to any previous version of a document; compare two versions of a file to see additions, modifications, and deletions; and allow telecommuters, remote office workers, and occasionally connected authors to contribute to projects more easily.
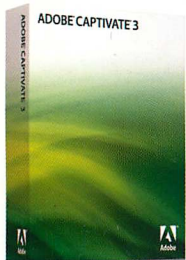


Take advantage of new Unicode and translation workflow support in RoboHelp 7.

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# ADOBE CAPTIVATE 3
## RAPIDLY CREATE ENGAGING LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Adobe Captivate 3 software enables anyone to easily create software demonstrations and simulations, scenario-based training, and quizzes without programming knowledge or multimedia skills.

### Develop show-me movies and interactive simulations in minutes

In a single screen-recording session, create a demonstration complete with mouse movements and text descriptions of each recorded task, practice simulations with instructional feedback, and assessments with scored user interactions.

### Easily create engaging learning experiences

Add interactivity (such as hotspots, text entry, and keyboard shortcuts) and seamlessly integrate audio and video, visual effects, and animated slide transitions without programming knowledge or multimedia skills. Import Microsoft PowerPoint (PPT) files with animations—Adobe Captivate converts slide-based content into SWF files viewable with Adobe Flash Player, complete with preloader and playback controls.
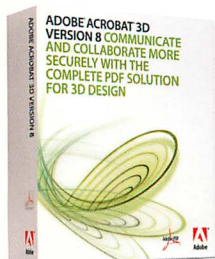
### Deliver rich eLearning content to virtually anyone, anywhere, anytime

Harness the power of Adobe Flash technology. In Adobe Captivate, create high-quality content while maintaining a small file size. Then integrate the tutorials in an online help system with Adobe RoboHelp, or use Adobe FrameMaker to bring your PDF documents to life with media clips.

# ADOBE ACROBAT 3D VERSION 8
## COMMUNICATE AND COLLABORATE MORE SECURELY WITH THE COMPLETE PDF SOLUTION FOR 3D DESIGN

Adobe Acrobat 3D Version 8 software offers technical authors and publishers a complete and more secure way to collaborate with extended teams on 3D designs via Adobe PDF documents.

### Capture 3D designs in Adobe PDF

Capture 2D and 3D designs from major CAD applications in PDF. Create rich, interactive documents that include files viewable with Adobe Flash Player, as well as 3D content. Add materials, create exploded views, edit lighting, and save as 3D objects or 2D images for inclusion in technical documents and help systems.

### Combine files from multiple applications

Easily assemble documents, spreadsheets, presentations, e-mails, web pages, forms, CAD drawings, 3D designs, and diagrams into a single Adobe PDF document. Present files in your preferred order, regardless of file type, paper size, or orientation. Embed multimedia, 3D designs, audio, and video for a richer experience.

### For more information

To learn more about Adobe Technical Communication Suite, go to *www.adobe.com/products/technicalcommunicationsuite*.