

ADAMS

Advanced **D**ata mining **A**nd **M**achine learning **S**ystem

Module: adams-net



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Chapter 1

Email

Flows are ideal for being run as background jobs (“-headless” flag). For example, importing or processing data in batches can be done at night time. Of course, you want to be notified if something went wrong or some predictions are off. Adding the *Email* sink to existing flows, allows for automatic sending of emails: if everything is OK then send an email to the customer, otherwise send an email to sysadmin. The *Email* actor adds all incoming file names, e.g., the array output of a *DirectoryLister* source, as attachments before sending the email off to the specified recipients. You can also define a custom subject and body.

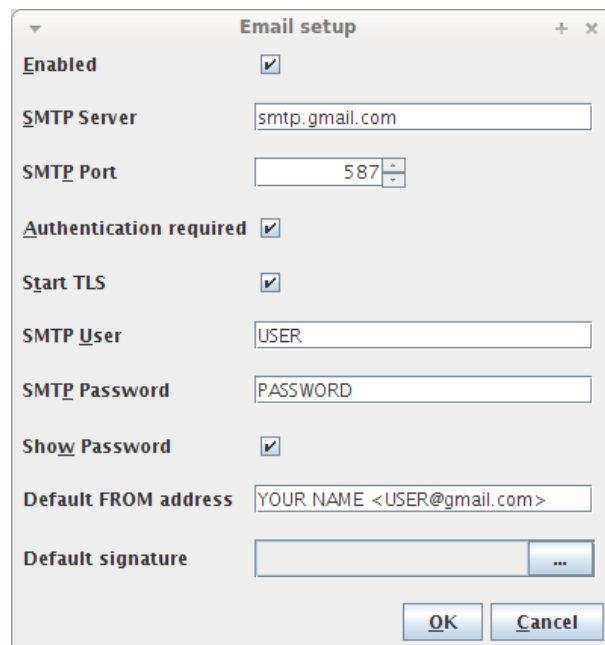
In order to be able to send emails, ADAMS needs to know what SMTP server to connect to. The following example configures ADAMS to send emails using a Gmail account ¹.

The easiest way of configuring Email, is to use the dialog available from the main menu (*Program* → *Email setup*), as depicted in Figure 1.1. The placeholders *USER* and *PASSWORD* have to be replaced with the actual user credentials and *YOUR NAME* with the actual user’s name, of course.

Alternatively, you can also simply create a properties file in the `$HOME/.adams` directory, called `Email.props`. The content for the Gmail setup would look like this:

```
Enabled=true
SmtpStartTls=true
SmtpPassword=
SmtpServer=smtp.gmail.com
SmtpPort=587
SmtpRequiresAuthentication=true
SmtpUser=USER
DefaultAddressFrom=YOUR NAME <USER@gmail.com>
DefaultSignature=
```

¹For more details, see the following Gmail help page:
<http://support.google.com/mail/bin/answer.py?hl=en&answer=13287>



The image shows a standard Windows-style dialog box titled "Email setup". It contains several configuration options for email, each with a label and a corresponding input field or checkbox. The options are: "Enabled" (checked), "SMTP Server" (smtp.gmail.com), "SMTP Port" (587), "Authentication required" (checked), "Start TLS" (checked), "SMTP User" (USER), "SMTP Password" (PASSWORD), "Show Password" (checked), "Default FROM address" (YOUR NAME <USER@gmail.com>), and "Default signature" (empty field with a browse button "..."). At the bottom right are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.

Enabled	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SMTP Server	smtp.gmail.com
SMTP Port	587
Authentication required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Start TLS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SMTP User	USER
SMTP Password	PASSWORD
Show Password	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Default FROM address	YOUR NAME <USER@gmail.com>
Default signature	<input type="text"/> ...

OK Cancel

Figure 1.1: Email setup dialog

Chapter 2

FTP

In addition to Email, ADAMS also supports FTP (file transfer protocol). Since FTP does not encrypt the commands or transferred data, it is recommended to not use it outside a company's network or for non-anonymous access (e.g., download from a public FTP server).

The following actors are available:

- *FTPConnection* – standalone actor that defines the server connection.
- *FTPLister* – lists the files and directories on a remote server.
- *FTPGet* – for obtaining a remote file via FTP.
- *FTPSend* – for sending a file via FTP to a remote host.

Chapter 3

SSH

ADAMS also comes with SSH support, thanks to the JSch library ¹. This allows for secure remote access. At the time of writing, RSA ² and DSA ³ are supported for public key encryption schemes.

The following actors are available:

- *SSHConnection* – standalone actor that defines the server connection.
- *SSHExec* – for executing remote commands.
- *ScpFrom* – for copying a file *from* a remote host using secure copy.
- *ScpTo* – for copying a file *to* a remote host using secure copy.
- *SFTPGet* – for obtaining a remote file via secure FTP.
- *SFTPSend* – for sending a file via secure FTP to a remote host.

¹<http://www.jcraft.com/jsch/>

²http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RSA_%28algorithm%29

³http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Digital_Signature_Algorithm

Chapter 4

Miscellaneous

Some other basic, but useful actors are the following:

- *Browser* – opens the system’s default browser with the specified URL.
- *DownloadFile* – downloads a file via HTTP.

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