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Chapter 1

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1.1 Dofile

Dofile 3.0a by Rolf Rotvel.

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GetDTyp.rexx

1.2 Description

Recognizes type of file using datatypes.library and launches corresponding viewer.

Use your favorite GIF, JPEG etc viewer instead of Multiview and still have the advantages of the datatypes.library filetype recognition.

Very usefull when installed as a do-it-all appicon in Toolmanager (You

can use the enclosed `app.info`), but also works nicely from CLI.

1.3 Requirements

Workbench 3.x with lots of datatypes installed. `Rexxreqtools.library`.

1.4 Installation

Copy `dofile.rexx` and `dostart.rexx` to `rexx`:
Copy `dofile.prefs` to `s:` or wherever you want to put it.

Add the following line to your User-Startup:

```
rx rexx:dostart.rexx
```

The line must be placed `_after_` the line where you start `RexxMast`. If you put `dofile.prefs` anywhere else than `s:` you must supply the path to `dostart.rexx`. Eg:

```
rx rexx:dostart.rexx env:dofile.prefs
```

1.5 Configuration

Edit the `config` section of the script:

```
defdir      : Default directory for the filerequester that opens if you
              run Dofile without any arguments. Leave it blank to use
              current system dir.
multicmd    : Path and arguments (If any) to your Multiview command.
```

Edit the `Dofile.prefs` file. The format is `<filetype> <command>`
where `<filetype>` is what `datatypes.library` knows the file as and
`<command>` is the corresponding viewer/player/editor/etc.

The command `_must_` be enclosed in quotes.

If in doubt about the filetype you can either run `Multiview` on the file and check the `about` requester or use the enclosed `getdtyp.rexx` script.

Some examples:

```
GIF          "cc:visage"
Amiga .info File "cc:fasticon"
```

There are one exception to the `prefs` file format: When `Dofile` encounters an `ascii` or a `binary` file it will check the file for any suffix or prefix (Eg: `.lha` or `MOD.`). You can then have separate entries for `C` source files, `Arexx` scripts, `modules` etc. The format is `<extension> <command>` (Don't worry about case). Examples:

```
.REXX      "c:edit"
S3M.      "c:moduleplayer"
```

1.6 Usage

```
rx rexx:dofile.rexx <filename>
```

If you pass a directory or nothing as argument to Dofile it will open a filerequester. And you can supply a file for processing.

It handles spaces in filenames perfectly. Both from WB and CLI.

If you want to change the
configuration
just edit the dofile.prefs
file. But don't forget to run dostart.rexx afterwards.

I have Dofile installed as a do-it-all Workbench appicon (Using ToolManager). I've also replaced SID2's internal filerecognition system with Dofile's. Now I have only one configuration file to change when I install eg. a new GIF viewer.

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1.8 Credits

The Arexx datatype created with Michal Letowski's MakeDT.rexx script.

1.9 Copyright

No copyright. Do whatever you want with this.
In Danish: "Brug det, eller lad ware" (© Preben Nielsen).

1.10 Disclaimer

It's all your fault :-)

1.11 History

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- 2.0 - First aminet release.
 - 2.1 - You did have to worry about case :-/
Added better error handling.
 - 3.0 - Added dostart.rexx script for speed reasons (Doesn't have to read
prefs file each time it's run).
Various bugfixes and optimizations.
 - 3.0a - Updated documentation.
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