

# Extract Raw Tables from Database

## Description

'Extract Raw Tables from Database' lets you explore the raw contents of a database, extracting every table in the database into the Data Manager.

## Usage Hints

'Extract Raw Tables from Database' is useful when you need to view or process the raw database contents. This can be helpful when writing custom database queries (see [Custom Table Query](#) and [Custom Graph Query](#)), in conjunction with the database schema, which you can view by right-clicking a database and selecting "View".

Note that table names and other internal database details are maintained only for internal use, and may at times seem counter-intuitive: for instance, the table '[AUTHORS](#)' in an ISI database is not a table of authors, but a relationship table that maps a person in the '[PERSON](#)' table to a paper in the '[DOCUMENT](#)' table (as in the sentence "fred authors the scientific paper").

## Implementation Details

This algorithm performs a 'SELECT \*' query on every non-system database table in the selected database.