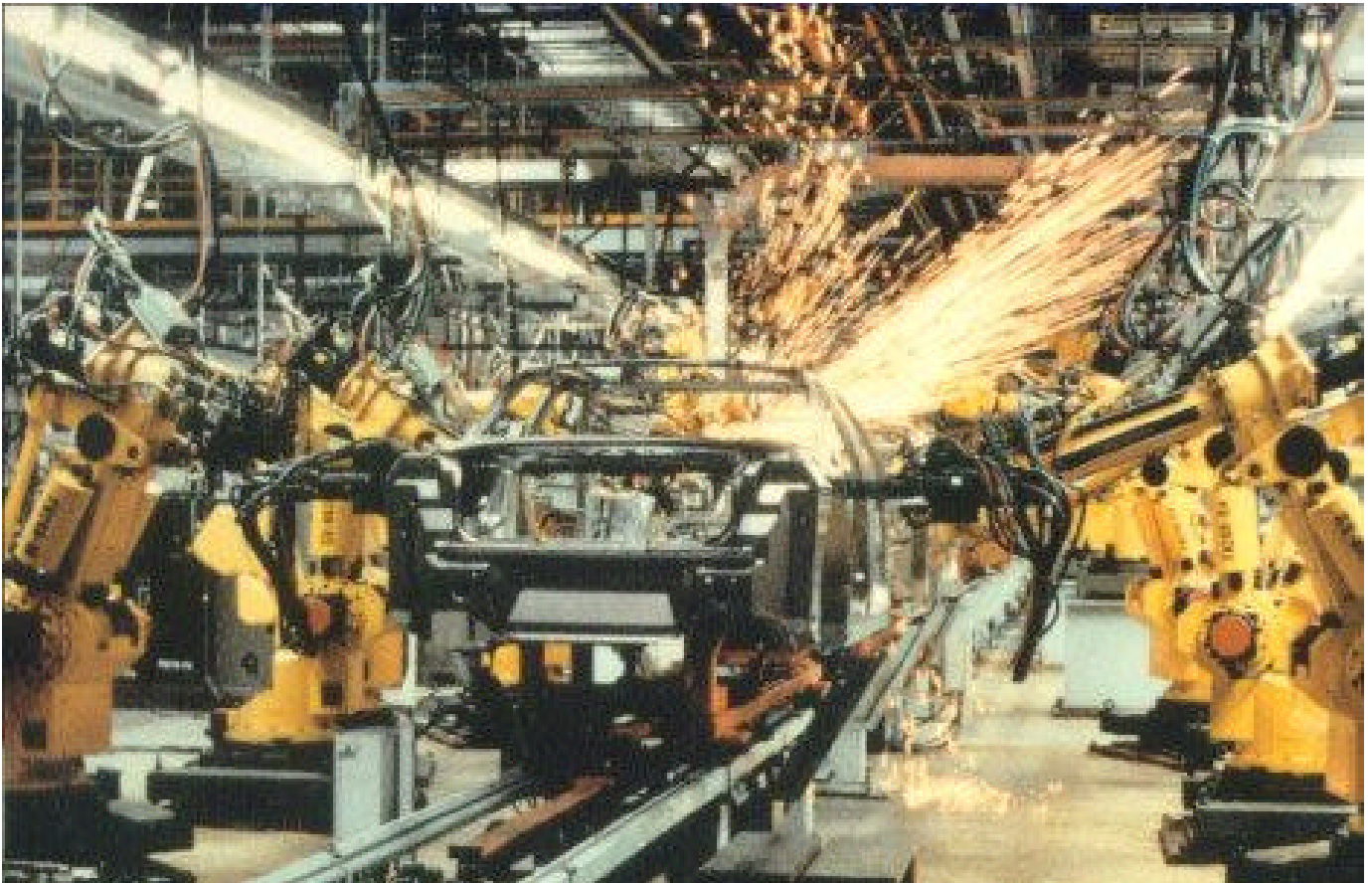


Data collection for small and large businesses



## *IBM Transaction Connection*



## Highlights

Gathering information quickly and accurately is a high priority for today's competitive companies. Information must be current and reliable, captured at its source. IBM's family of data collection products and services helps meet that need with a variety of software services.

## IBM Transaction Connection for Windows 2000

Transaction Connection for Windows 2000 will integrate DCCConnect data collection solutions into Microsoft SQL server or IBM Database 2 (DB2) and/or AS/400®, Risc-6000 or 3270 applications.

Transaction Connection can process transactions from any type of terminal that is supported by DCCConnect.

1. The Transaction Connection:
2. Sets up and performs database up dates
3. Responds immediately to terminal requests
4. Manipulates transaction and database data
5. Provides an interface between IBM's software and a host application screen
6. Can be easily customized to customer needs

TC can make processing decisions as part of a scripted action for each transaction type it handles, as well as moving data between applications which are otherwise not integrated. A worker at a data collection terminal can press a function key, scan several barcodes in response to input prompts, and thus create a transaction which is routed via DCCConnect and TC to a relational database and/or host application screen. Query results or host application responses can be sent back to the operator at the terminal. All this happens without the operator being required to log-on, navigate menus and windows or be skilled at handling application errors.

TC is a functionally rich scripting language with API hooks into the operating system and SQL. For instance, TC can open a text file on the PC, read and compare its contents, make logical decisions and then open a CMD session and execute a program. It can then check for successful completion of the program and update data in the database or host and send a response to the terminal.

## Benefits to your business

If you are facing any of today's challenges, implementing data collection, maximizing the performance of your systems or moving to new technologies, you can depend on IBM's proven track record to deliver the systems strategy and best possible solution today. Choosing IBM to be your data collection solution partner:

1. Strengthens the integration of your business process
2. Supports your business process re-engineering
3. Delivers a functionally rich platform with modern graphical user interfaces
4. Provides seamless integration of production data with SAP R/3
5. Supports SAP's client/server environment for scalability, portability and flexibility and maximizes the benefits and increases the value of your ERP solution investment.

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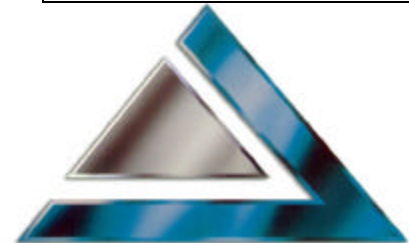
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