

All You Need to Know About HCL Notes 64-bit Clients

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Agenda

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- ▶ Upgrading from Notes 32-bit to Notes 64-bit
- ▶ Domino application design challenges
- ▶ Third-party Add-in dependencies





A closer look into HCL Notes 64-bit

Why HCL Notes 64-bit?

- Requested from customers and partners (for a long time)
- I officially heard about 64-bit Notes the first time at IBM Think 2018 in Las Vegas – announced for Notes 10.0.1


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Drastically improve the look and feel of the Notes client, make it dramatic and modern, make it 64 bit, make it easy to upgrade to, make it perform properly.

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Keep a modern, strong, efficient Notes Client

as all "cloud" is around us, as a power user i am fastest with a client and no archive limit. So i need a modern, strong, efficient Notes client (best 64-Bit, as the Designer 64-Bit idea). For People using databases sorry to say, nothing is better than a local client. Efficiency against the hype all online.

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Notes



HCL Notes 12.0.2 is now available in 64-bit



- Just ~4,5 Years later, we have a 64-bit Notes client 😊

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| <input type="checkbox"/> + | Install Shield Tuner Files for Notes 12.0.2 for Windows 64bit Multilingual | 20.18KB | Nov 14, 2022 | InstallShieldTuner_Notes_12.0.2_Win64_ML.zip |
| <input type="checkbox"/> + | NotesPeek 64 bit | 1.57MB | Nov 08, 2022 | NotesPeek64.exe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> + | Notes Install Cleanup Tool for Notes 64bit | 2.91MB | Nov 14, 2022 | Nice64.exe |


Advantages of HCL Notes 64-bit

- It's not the old (and slow) 32-bit Notes any longer
- State of the art – technology → 64-bit
- From a political point of view, it's now way easier to have HCL Notes as a strategic solution as it was with 32-bit
- As soon as there are only Notes 64-bit clients any longer, there might be other improvements like
 - ▶ 4 GB → >18 EB (18 billion GB) or just 16 GB 😊

Changes 32-bit → 64-bit I

- This is only a disadvantage:
Memory


32-bit

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|---|--|------|----------|
| > |  HCL Notes (32 bit) | 0,1% | 155,2 MB |
|---|--|------|----------|





→ Citrix, Windows Terminal Server (and VDI)

+/- a factor of 2

64-bit

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|---|---|----|----------|
| > |  HCL Notes | 0% | 393,6 MB |
|---|---|----|----------|

- Local transaction load
unknown or possibly negligible

| Name | Status | CPU | Memory |
|-----------|--|------|----------|
| Apps (10) | | | |
| > |  Google Chrome (16) | 0,4% | 329,6 MB |
| > |  HCL Notes (32 bit) | 0,1% | 94,3 MB |
| > |  Microsoft PowerPoint | 0% | 95,0 MB |
| > |  Microsoft Teams (8) | 0,9% | 318,7 MB |




Changes 32-bit → 64-bit II

32-bit

> HCL Notes (32 bit)

0,1%

155,2 MB




| Processes | Performance | App history | Startup | Users | Details | Services |
|--|-------------|-------------|----------|-------|----------------------|----------|
| Name | PID | Status | Username | CPU | Working set (memory) | |
|  nlnotes.exe | 22300 | Running | fvogler | 00 | 129.928 K | |
|  notes2.exe | 26788 | Running | fvogler | 00 | 221.772 K | |
|  ntaskldr.exe | 564 | Running | fvogler | 00 | 31.100 K | |

64-bit

> HCL Notes

0%

393,6 MB

| Prozesse | | Leistung | App-Verlauf | Autostart | Benutzer | Details | Dienste |
|--|-------|----------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------|---------|---------|
| Name | PID | Status | Benutzerna... | CPU | Arbeitssatz (Speicher) | | |
|  nlnotes.exe | 6876 | Wird ausgef... | panagenda | 00 | 207.596 K | | |
|  notes2.exe | 8200 | Wird ausgef... | panagenda | 00 | 495.448 K | | |
|  ntaskldr.exe | 11412 | Wird ausgef... | panagenda | 00 | 20.636 K | | |

Changes 32-bit → 64-bit III

- **Program folder**

- ▶ C:\Program Files (x86)\HCL\Notes → C:\Program Files\HCL\Notes

- **COM Objects**

- ▶ <https://domino-ideas.hcltechsw.com/ideas/DDXP-I-324>
- ▶ <https://techtalk.gfi.com/32bit-object-64bit-environment/>
- ▶ https://support.hcltechsw.com/csm?id=kb_article&sysparm_article=KB01015

- **Registry**

- ▶ HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\WOW6432Node\Lotus\Notes
→ HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Lotus\Notes

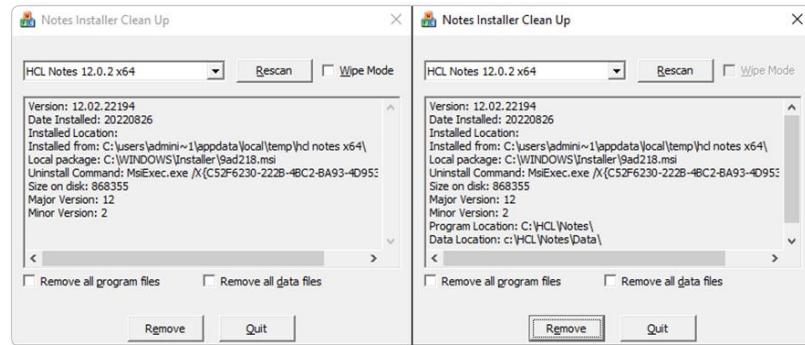
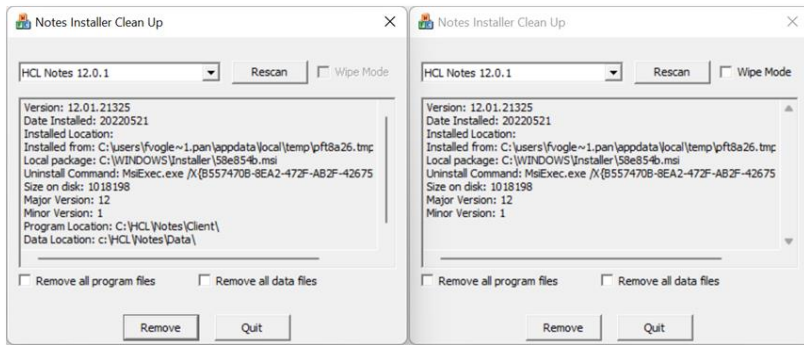
- **Installer(s):**

- ▶ Be careful → Notes 32-bit Installer can't detect Notes 64-bit clients

Changes 32-bit → 64-bit IV

- **NICE64 (nice64.exe)**

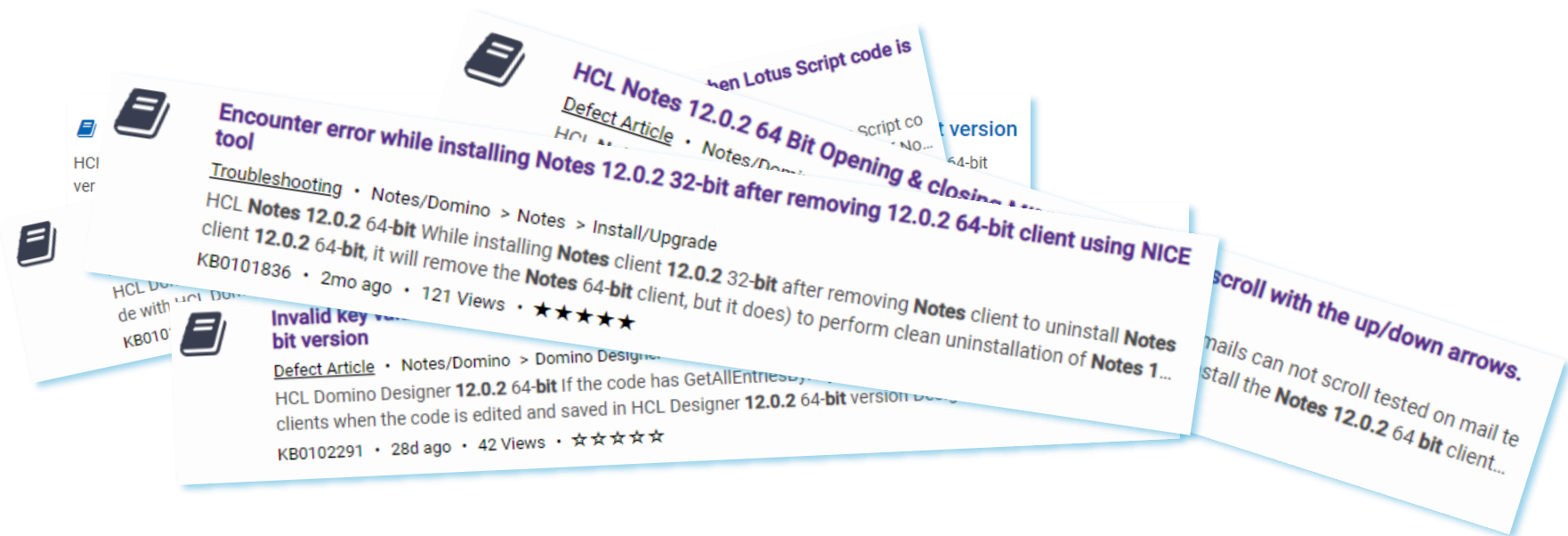
- ▶ Notes_12.0.2_Win_64bit_English\Utility\NotesCustomizationKit_1_0.zip
- ▶ Can (currently) only detect 64-bit clients “completely”
 - Run nice64.exe first and then nice.exe afterwards
- ▶ A future Nice“96”.exe version, which detects and cleans 32- and 64-bit clients, is possible but not decided by HCL yet



Challenges with HCL Notes 64-bit I

Big changes – and as far as I can see – **big challenges**

Here are some HCL Kbase articles about Notes 12.0.2 64-bit:



Is this a showstopper for the HCL Notes 12.0.2 64-Bit? → **NO**

By the way → **FP1 is upcoming**

Notes/Domino Fix List

Views Upcoming Releases What's New Search

14.0 12.0.2 FP1

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Release number | 12.0.2 FP1 |
| Est. release date | Q2 2023 Details |

Description Scheduled maintenance release, containing several bug fixes and some new features.

Status Stage 1: SPR Triage

Download availability Coming in Stage 5

Latest fixes No documents found [More fixes >>>](#)

Notices [View past release status](#)

- 1 **SPR Triage**
Current release SPR work list finalized.
- 2 **Code Freeze**
Deadline for developers to submit bug fixes.
- 3 **Gold Candidate**
Build submitted for final testing and verification.
- 4 **Gold Build**
Final build is completed.
- 5 **Web Posting**
Release posted online for download.
- 6 **First Customer Ship**
Full installation kit physical media shipped to customers.

Should I use HCL Notes 12.0.2 64-bit ...

... for my **production environment** right now?





Upgrading from Notes 32-bit to Notes 64-bit

In general, we do not recommend in-place upgrades at all. In case of an upgrade of a 32-bit Notes client this isn't even possible!

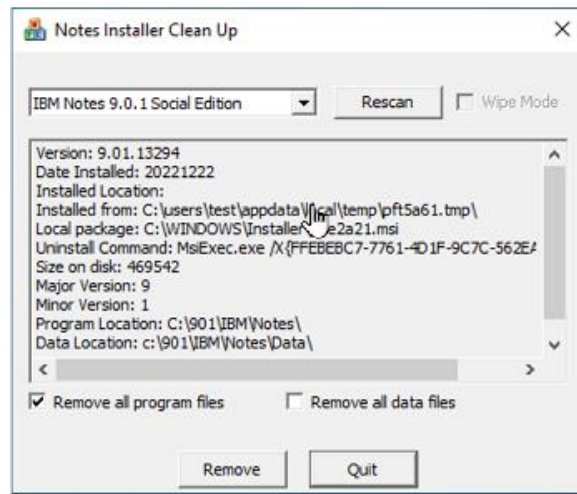
The following steps are needed to move from:

HCL/IBM Notes **32-bit** → HCL Notes 12.0.2 **64-bit**

Upgrading Notes 32-bit to Notes 12.0.2 64-bit II

Step 1: Do a complete backup of your data directory and notes.ini

Step 2: Use the nice tool to uninstall the existing Notes client.
(it is mandatory to use the 32-bit nice.exe)



Step 3: Prepare your data directory.

If you install a multiuser client, the data folder can stay at the old position. But we recommend to move the data folder to the new default location

%LocalAppData%\HCL\Notes\Data

If you moved your aata directory, keep in mind to check your notes.ini for folder and directory changes as well.

Step 4: Install Notes 12.0.2 64-Bit

Pick the prepared folder if needed during the installation.

After installation and notes.ini has been prepared,
Notes is ready for a first start.

**See here for the “Notes 9.0.x to Notes 12.0.2 64-bit upgrade
installation instructions” document:**

https://support.hcltechsw.com/csm?id=kb_article&sysparm_article=KB0102196



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Upgrading Notes 32-bit to Notes 12.0.2 64-bit VI

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You'll get:

- A license key
- Unrestricted use on 25 computers*
- Instant access to MarvelClient Upgrade
- Access to our knowledge base

* The 25 computers require internet access for automatic licenses checkout.

Upgrade Now >



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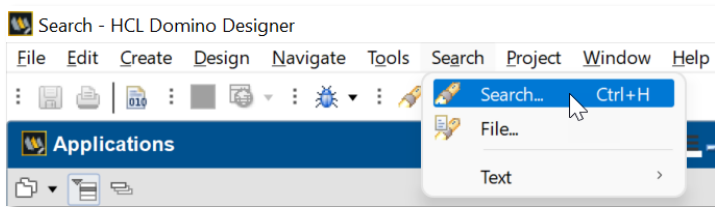
Domino application design challenges

- Find and add code that compares whether
`NotesSession.Platform = "Windows/32"` → will not work on 64-bit
- Or even `LCase$(Left$(NotesSession.Platform, 3))="win"`
- The latter ensures that the code runs on 64-bit
BUT: the code may have to be adapted for 64-bit

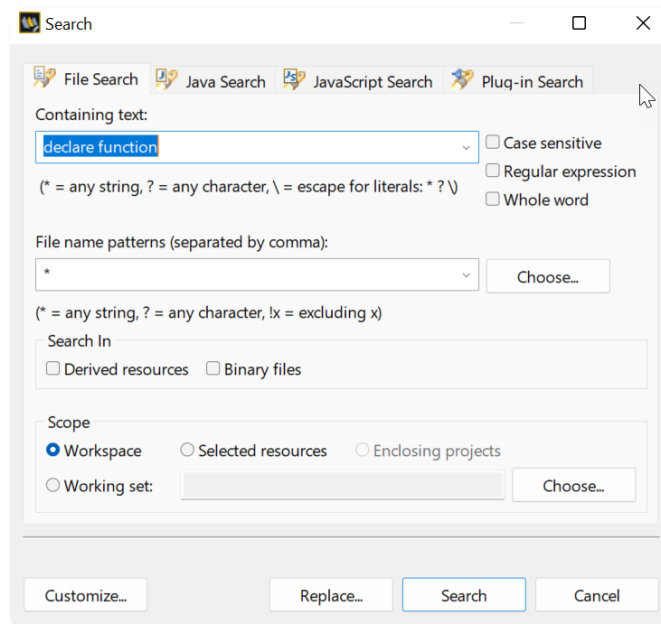


- Declare Function Calls
 - ▶ Calls of Notes or operating system functions
 - ▶ **“All” pointer and type variables** must be checked and adjusted if necessary
 - ▶ Usually Long (32-bit) → Double (64-bit)
 - ▶ The good news
 - **Almost all of Notes own calls DO NOT have to be changed**
 - **DB and Window Handles are not pointers**
 - ▶ The bad news
 - Which calls use pointers → Microsoft documentation/Google, call by call
 - Some OS functions still return a double for handles (e.g. GetActiveWindow)
 - However, such values may then have to be passed to other functions via CLng(Var).

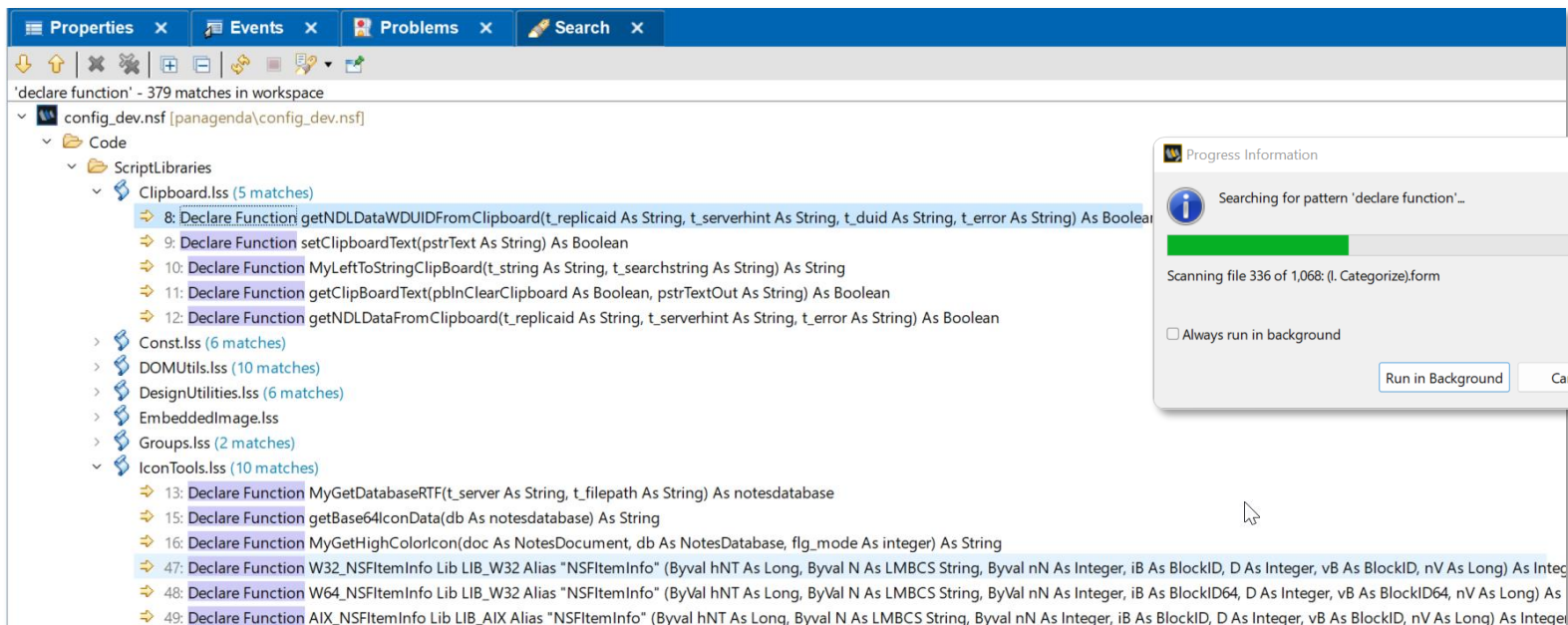
- **Declare Function Calls**



- ▶ `{(\\|/|")win[A-Z\\-\\2-6]*{(\\|/|")}`
- ▶ `declare function.*as long`
- ▶ `end type.*declare function`



- **Declare Function Calls**



The screenshot displays the LotusScript IDE interface with a search for 'declare function' across the workspace. The search results are listed in a tree view under 'config_dev.nsf [panagenda\config_dev.nsf]' > 'Code' > 'ScriptLibraries' > 'Clipboard.iss (5 matches)'. The matches are:

- 8: Declare Function getNDLDataWDUIDFromClipboard(t_replicaid As String, t_serverhint As String, t_duid As String, t_error As String) As Boolean
- 9: Declare Function setClipboardText(pstrText As String) As Boolean
- 10: Declare Function MyLeftToStringClipBoard(t_string As String, t_searchstring As String) As String
- 11: Declare Function getClipBoardText(pblnClearClipboard As Boolean, pstrTextOut As String) As Boolean
- 12: Declare Function getNDLDataFromClipboard(t_replicaid As String, t_serverhint As String, t_error As String) As Boolean

Other script libraries listed include Const.iss (6 matches), DOMUtils.iss (10 matches), DesignUtilities.iss (6 matches), EmbeddedImage.iss, Groups.iss (2 matches), and IconTools.iss (10 matches). The IconTools.iss matches include:

- 13: Declare Function MyGetDatabaseRTF(t_server As String, t_filepath As String) As notesdatabase
- 15: Declare Function getBase64IconData(db As notesdatabase) As String
- 16: Declare Function MyGetHighColorIcon(doc As NotesDocument, db As NotesDatabase, flg_mode As integer) As String
- 47: Declare Function W32_NSFFitemInfo Lib LIB_W32 Alias "NSFFitemInfo" (ByVal hNT As Long, Byval N As LMBCS String, Byval nN As Integer, iB As BlockID, D As Integer, vB As BlockID, nV As Long) As Integer
- 48: Declare Function W64_NSFFitemInfo Lib LIB_W32 Alias "NSFFitemInfo" (ByVal hNT As Long, Byval N As LMBCS String, Byval nN As Integer, iB As BlockID64, D As Integer, vB As BlockID64, nV As Long) As Integer
- 49: Declare Function AIX_NSFFitemInfo Lib LIB_AIX Alias "NSFFitemInfo" (Byval hNT As Long, Byval N As LMBCS String, Byval nN As Integer, iB As BlockID, D As Integer, vB As BlockID, nV As Long) As Integer


A 'Progress Information' dialog box is overlaid on the right, showing the search progress: 'Searching for pattern 'declare function'...' and 'Scanning file 336 of 1,068: (I. Categorize).form'. It includes a checkbox for 'Always run in background' and buttons for 'Run in Background', 'Cancel', and 'Details >>'.

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Catalog

Usage


Design


Custom Insights


Manage

Code Search

Custom Content

 Open DataMiner

 Open Metabase


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Search...

Code Search

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☐ Text Search

☐ Whole word only

☒ Regular Expression

Regular Expression. Examples: **Simple:** dblookup **Multi-Option:** db(lookup|exists) **With modifiers:** (?iw)(dbccolumn)

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1 Function getFilePath(strPath As String) As String

2 Select Case Lcase(session.platform)

3 Case "windows/32":

4 getFilePath=Strleftback(strPath,"\\")

5 Case "macintosh":

6 getFilePath=Strleftback(strPath,"/")

7 Case "unix":

8 getFilePath=Strleftback(strPath,"/")

9 Case "linux":

10 getFilePath=Strleftback(strPath,"/")

11 End Select


12 End Function

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Showing top 25 databases by number of matches

Export all databases as [Excel](#) or [CSV](#) file.

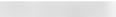
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Code element : n/a


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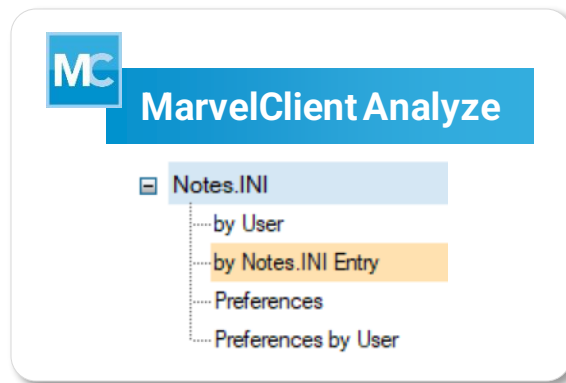


Third party Add-in dependencies

3rd party products

- **Notes.ini**

- ▶ EXTMGR_Addins=...
- ▶ NSF_HOOKS=...
- ▶ AddinMenu=...



- **Examples**

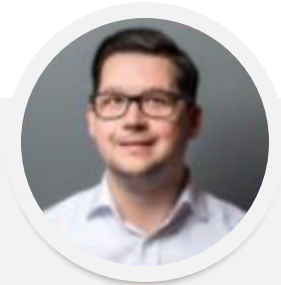
- ▶ panagenda MarvelClient Essentials and licensed: since GA/12.0.53
 - [Templates > 20220930](#) ; MarvelClient Upgrade since 12.0.32
- Ytria EZ Suite since V20
- Teamstudio Developer Tools 64-bit Beta currently ongoing
- Adobe? Salesforce? SAP? ~~McAfee? Symantec?~~

- **MarvelClient Upgrade will remain in 32-bit architecture (for now)**
 - But of course it also fully supports for 64-bit upgrades and WITH/INSIDE a Notes 64-bit client
- **MarvelClient Support Helper: New Version available → 4.0.1**
 - <https://www.panagenda.com/kbase/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=55247160>

THANK YOU!



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Links to panagenda's HCL Notes/Domino solutions mentioned in the presentation:

- MarvelClient
 - <https://www.panagenda.com/marvelclient/>
- MarvelClient Upgrade
 - <https://www.panagenda.com/marvelclient/modules/marvelclient-upgrade/>
- MarvelClient Essentials
 - <https://www.panagenda.com/marvelclient/free-editions/marvelclient-essentials/>
- iDNA Applications
 - <https://www.panagenda.com/idna-applications/>