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Adabas Tracing

This document contains information about Adabas tracing.

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- *Enabling Adabas Tracing*

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About this Documentation

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Document Conventions

| Convention | Description |
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| Bold | Identifies elements on a screen. |
| Monospace font | Identifies service names and locations in the format <i>folder.subfolder.service</i> , APIs, Java classes, methods, properties. |
| <i>Italic</i> | Identifies: Variables for which you must supply values specific to your own situation or environment. New terms the first time they occur in the text. References to other documentation sources. |
| Monospace font | Identifies: Text you must type in. Messages displayed by the system. Program code. |
| { } | Indicates a set of choices from which you must choose one. Type only the information inside the curly braces. Do not type the { } symbols. |
| | Separates two mutually exclusive choices in a syntax line. Type one of these choices. Do not type the symbol. |
| [] | Indicates one or more options. Type only the information inside the square brackets. Do not type the [] symbols. |
| ... | Indicates that you can type multiple options of the same type. Type only the information. Do not type the ellipsis (...). |

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2 Enabling Adabas Tracing

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Tracing should only be used if errors occur, and only with assistance from our support.



Caution: Activating the trace version will massively degrade the performance of Adabas.

Enabling Tracing on Linux

» To enable tracing on Linux

- 1 Change to the directory *Adabas/trace/INSTALL*.
- 2 Source the *adaenv* file to change the *ADAPROGDIR* variable.
- 3 Set the environment variable *PT_TRACELEV* to a reasonable value (with the help of our support).
- 4 Set the environment variable *SAGTMP* to a directory of your choice as the location of the trace files. Note that the trace files can get very large in a short time.
- 5 Set the environment variable *PT_MAXFILESIZE* (this step is optional).

This defines the maximum size (in bytes) for a PT trace file. If the PT output exceeds this limit, output will be written to the wrap file named *<user>.WRP.<trace-name>*; if the wrap file becomes too big, output will be written to the original trace file *<user>.<trace-name>*, and so on. This feature is useful if you have too much PT output in your program.

Note that the minimum value for *PT_MAXFILESIZE* is 1024; all values less than this (other than zero) will be automatically adjusted to 1024. A reasonable initial value is 10000000, which will create a maximum file size of 10MB.

Enabling Tracing on Windows

» To enable tracing on Windows

- 1 Ensure that the correct Adabas version was activated.
- 2 Open an Adabas command prompt window.
- 3 Change to the directory *Adabas\trace\INSTALL*.
- 4 Call the *adaenv.bat* command file. This will set the trace environment.
- 5 As an alternative, the trace environment can be started by running the *starttraceenv.cmd* script. This script can be found in the folder *Adabas\trace\INSTALL*.

- 6 If you want to trace the `adanuc` process which is under Adabas System Service control (`adasrv`), you must de-install the services of the optimized (release) version by executing the following commands. Make sure you run these commands with Windows Administrator permissions:

- `adasrv stop`
- `adasrv remove`
- `adashm stop`
- `adashm remove`

Install the trace versions of the Adabas System Services:

- `adashm install`
- `adashm start`
- `adasrv install`
- `adasrv start`

- 7 Set the environment variable `PT_TRACELEV` to a reasonable value (with the help of our support).
- 8 Set the environment variable `SAGTMP` to a directory of your choice as the location of the trace files. Note the trace files can get very large in a short time.
- 9 Set the environment variable `PT_MAXFILESIZE` (this step is optional).

This defines the maximum size (in bytes) for a PT trace file. If the PT output exceeds this limit, output will be written to the wrap file named `<user>.WRP.<trace-name>`; if the wrap file becomes too big, output will be written to the original trace file `<user>.<trace-name>`, and so on. This feature is useful if you have too much PT output in your program.

Note that the minimum value for `PT_MAXFILESIZE` is 1024; all values less than this (other than zero) will be automatically adjusted to 1024. A reasonable initial value is 10000000, which will create a maximum file size of 10MB.

- 10 If you have performed step 5, revert back to the release versions of the Adabas Systems Services by performing the following steps:
- Open an Adabas command prompt window from the Windows Start menu. Make sure you have Windows Administrator privileges ("Run As Administrator").
 - Remove the trace versions of the Adabas System Services:
 - `adasrv stop`
 - `adasrv remove`
 - `adashm stop`
 - `adashm remove`

- Install the release versions of the Adabas System Services:
 - adashm install
 - adashm start
 - adasrv install
 - adasrv start