



Tip or Technique

Migrating Analyst Environments

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Area of Interest: Upgrade/Migration

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This document provides a step-by-step process to migrate IBM Cognos Planning – Analyst files to a new environment.

1.2 Applicability

IBM Cognos Planning – Analyst 8.2 and prior.

1.3 Exclusions and Exceptions

No exclusions or exceptions have been identified.

2 Migrating Analyst Environments

1. Copy the following files: (These files by default will exist in the same directory) To confirm you are copying the correct filesys.ini file and tab files, open analyst and select tools>option. The location of the filesys.ini will display.

- i. filesys.ini
- ii. users.tab
- iii. groups.tab
- iv. libs.tab
- v. padlocks.tab
- vi. userclass.tab

NOTE: As per best practice, if you are using the same namespace then copy this file. If not, no need to copy but you must manually add the security to each library in the new environment).

NOTE:

Moving libraries from one environment to another without losing object level security (only required if object level security is being used) the following files must be copied as well.

- vii. obax.tab
 - viii. libaccess.tab from each library
- (Note: when linking to the library in the new environment make sure you select NO when prompted to overwrite the security with Defaults)*

2. Copying the Libraries:

In Analyst, select File>Administration>Maintain Libraries and Users

Each library will appear along with their location path.

Within Windows Explorer copy the folder(s) to the **same** location on the new server.

3. Once the filesys.ini and tab files are copied over to the new server, open up the filesys.ini you just copied using notepad. Confirm the entries pointing to the tab files in the file are correct.

For example: If UNC is being used change the machinename to reflect the new machinename.

4. This process will give you production libraries and user list that mirrors development. However the actual library paths will point to the development locations, therefore, you will need to go through the list and repoint them to the new production locations.

Select file>administration>maintain libraries and userclass >for each library select properties and change the path to point to production.

NOTE:

If you already have analyst setup in production with working users and security and libraries, then you will **only** need to copy the analyst libraries to the new environment and within analyst select file>administration>maintain libraries and userclass >select add to manually add the libraries. Do not overwrite the filesys.ini and tab files in this case as it will remove what you currently have setup.