

6C - A Bright Future for CA Plex Desktop Applications

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who are Desynit?

About us

- Based in Bristol, U.K
- Customers worldwide
- Technology Mix
 - 2E/Plex IBM i & MS SQL Server
 - Java & .Net
 - Salesforce Cloud Platform
 - Web & mobile applications

what do we need to talk about?

Your Plex desktop application

- Why you are in a good position today
- What improvements you can make tomorrow
- When you should think about going beyond the desktop

why you are in a good position today

A solid foundation

- We already know the benefits of Plex
 - Productivity from inheritance
 - WYSIWYG editors
 - Good structure for maintenance
- Most common Plex client is Windows
 - Good runtime performance
 - Supported & updated by Microsoft
 - Capable of delivering a high quality Windows user experience

what improvements you can make tomorrow

Top 5 list for Plex panels

1. Lose the grey
2. Revise the bitmap catalogue
3. Finish what you started
4. Rationalise the workflow
5. Repackage within a workspace



Take a look at www.desynit.com/youeye

Example improvements...

what improvements you can make tomorrow

The image displays two overlapping windows from the DesynTime 2.1 application. The background window is the 'User Login' screen, and the foreground window is the 'Maintain Standing Data' panel.

DesynTime 2.1 - Login

User Login

Welcome to DesynTime time recording

Please type your Employee Id and Pa

Employee I

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DesynTime 2.1 - Maintain Standing Data

Mr Mark Mole

This panel allows you to maintain the standing data for the application.
Click on a tab to maintain the details for Employees, Projects etc. and use the buttons at the bottom of the panel to add, update and delete instances.

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Employee | Projects & Tasks | Department | Role | Expense Type | System Values

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Department	Description
ADM	Administration
DEV	Development
MKT	Marketing
SLS	Sales
TST	Testing

Department ADM

Description Administration

Apply New Delete Refresh Cancel

what improvements you can make tomorrow

The screenshot displays the DesynTime 2.0 application window. The interface is divided into a left-hand navigation pane and a main content area. The navigation pane includes sections for 'Setup' (with sub-items: YouEye, Setup, Tree Menu), 'DesynTime' (with sub-items: Projects, Employees, Expenses, Departments, Roles, System), 'My Team', 'All Staff', 'Reports', and 'Setup' (highlighted in orange). The main content area is titled 'Departments' and features a header for 'Mr Mark Mole' with instructions: 'To add new entries, press the 'New' key. To update existing entries simply click on the row you wish to update and modify accordingly. To delete an entry click on the row you wish to delete and press 'Delete''. Below the header is a 'Copy' button and a table with two columns: 'Department' and 'Description'. The table contains four rows: ADM (Administration), DEV (Development), MKT (Marketing), and SLS (Sales). The 'ADM' row is selected. To the right of the table are input fields for 'Department' (containing 'ADM') and 'Description' (containing 'Administration'). At the bottom of the main area are buttons for 'Apply', 'New', 'Delete', and 'Refresh'. The status bar at the bottom left shows 'Ready'.

DesynTime 2.0

Setup

YouEye

Setup

Tree Menu

DesynTime

Projects

Employees

Expenses

Departments

Roles

System

My Team

All Staff

Reports

Setup

Departments

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Department: ADM

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Ready

when you should think about going beyond the desktop

Even when the desktop application is as good as it can be, it still may not offer everything the business needs.

- It's a mobile world, not everyone needs a desktop
 - Extend the reach by extending the application
 - Evolve new features in addition to the existing platform
- Not always the case that the desktop client goes away
 - New clients often target new users
 - New clients in response to new opportunities

when you should think about going beyond the desktop

Questions to ask

- What is the business driver?
- What is the gain?
- What might we lose?
- What is the cost?
- What are the risks?
- And then ask, what is the technology we need?
 - Use integration to work with other software platforms
 - Extend or relocate to different Plex platform (Java, .Net WPF)

when you should think about going beyond the desktop

Good news, lots of choices!

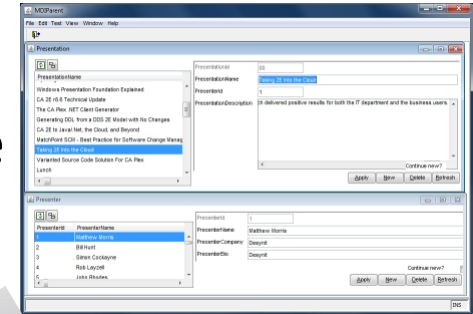
Plex .Net Client	Websybian or Web Client	Web & Mobile	Cloud
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Migration possible- Plex skill set- Not available yet- Why not Java client?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Work within existing Plex models- Separates presentation and logic- Plex skill set- Good control over appearance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Java , .Net, etc.- Lots of servers and frameworks- Additional skill set- Can integrate with Plex	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- IAAS, PAAS, SAAS ?- Different game, different rules- Integrate with web services

when you should think about going beyond the desktop

Example of going beyond the desktop

— Conference agenda from 1 Plex web service

- Java web app
- Dojo Mobile app
- iPhone



<http://www.desynit.com/confapp>

what did we talk about?

Your Plex desktop application

- You are in a good position today
- There are improvements you can make tomorrow
- Options to leverage other Plex platforms and technology
- The ability to extend beyond the desktop

towards your bright future

What you can do

- Promote upwards the benefits of what you have today
- Seek customer feedback
- Improve the desktop in an evolutionary manner
- Have confidence in the platform you know
- Look to extend in the areas which offer value
- Speak to Desynit as we have expertise which will be applicable to your business

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“picture yourself prepared”

