

Microsoft-Bullshit-Software

If you are one of those people who has been increasingly annoyed with Microsoft for years, you should definitely read on.

I buy new tower PCs at intervals of 7 years, which are currently in the absolute top class in terms of hardware. This means, that I get the fastest CPU at the moment, a lot of high-quality RAM and optimal cooling to avoid any bottlenecks. Nevertheless, I have to realize, that my Excel macros require more and more execution time over the years. The number 1 supplier in Switzerland www.brentford.com says, that it is not due to the hardware. Ergo, it can only be due to the absolutely idiotic Microsoft bull-shit software, i.e. the Windows operating system and the Office package, which includes Excel!

In 2010, I bought a computer, where my most demanding Excel macro took 3 minutes to run.

In 2017, I bought a new computer, where the same Excel macro took 4.5 minutes to run. Microsoft said succinctly, that Excel allows significantly more tables, rows, colors, etc. than older versions and therefore the Excel macro execution time has increased by 50%!

In 2024, I bought a new computer. I was amazed, that the Excel macro execution time took more than 7 minutes. Microsoft said succinctly that Excel already allows many more tables, rows, colors, etc. than older versions and that's why the Excel macro execution time has already increased by 56%!

In 2025, my internet research showed, that thousands of software developers worldwide have exactly the same problems. Microsoft only says, that we should optimize the macros, so that we software developers ourselves are the philistines! Microsoft headquarters in Redmond don't want to admit, that Windows 11 and the current Office package are absolute totally inflated nonsense and that they are therefore tinkering with Windows 12, which may be released in 2026 and will apparently require even more hardware resources because of AI. Of course, if the Microsoft managers are stupid over time, you have to switch to AI, it's logical, isn't it?

Since the beginning of 2024, I have been developing Excel-based applications, where the Excel macro execution times take 30 minutes, which I really can't expect my customers to do anymore. On the other hand, my customers want unprotected Excel-based applications, because they have the opportunity to make adjustments and extensions independently. This leads to the understandable question of whether there are any alternatives in this untenable situation.

At the moment, I have 8.192 licenses under Windows on the market worldwide, of which 6.652 licenses are based on the high-level language C# and 1.540 licenses on Excel.

A colleague has adapted the same Excel-based application with the Linux operating system under LibreOffice. Instead of 30 minutes, the macro execution time was 2 minutes, which would be really great. But who works under Linux? Not a single potential customer would have ever approached me after that! Architects and engineering firms work with Macintosh in part, because they prefer its graphics software. On these computers, you can install a virtual Windows operating system in parallel and use Excel, but this is said to be even more unsatisfactory in terms of Excel macro response times. So that's not a solution either!

As it stands, the only option left is to convert all my Excel-based applications into the high-level language C# and run them on Windows. At the moment, 9 applications are already available and by the end of 2025 there will be 10 applications. In terms of macro execution times, this is phenomenal, as the response time has been reduced from 30 minutes under Excel to less than 1 second under C#, to practically zero! What you have to accept, however, is the unavoidable fact that my customers cannot make the slightest adjustment or even expansion in high-level language applications!

As it stands, the only option left is, that at some point the PCs under Windows will be replaced by **quantum computers**. Whether this will ever be possible under a future Windows operating system of my customers, I dare to seriously doubt for this century!

But this is far from the end of the trouble with excessively arrogant Microsoft decision-makers! With every new Windows operating system and every new Office package, very good and, above all, practical things have been eliminated.

As an example, I would like to **list Excel macros from freelancers**, which made it possible to save project-related input data in a project file and call it up again. This makes sense, when sending by e-mail if an Excel workbook is larger than 10 MB and the project file is smaller than 1 KB. **These Excel macros from freelancers served well until 2011.** Then suddenly it came to an end, because Microsoft no longer supported macros from freelancers. When opening such workbooks, an error message now appeared!

As another example, I would like to list the insertion of files in e-mails that are not based on Microsoft software, for example PDF files, a product of Adobe. When inserting files into emails, a window opens with the most recently edited files, although since 2024 only files based on Microsoft software are visible. You will therefore search in vain for PDF files! You now have to search for them in File Explorer, formerly known as Windows Explorer!

As another example, I would like to list the antediluvian nature of macros, which have remained at Neanderthal level and therefore have no idea how exactly the same processes could be processed in parallel in a fraction of the Excel macro execution time. Nowadays, every computer has at least 4 CPUs, ergo 4 more virtual CPUs and enough RAM, which watches the sluggish macro sequence while twiddling their thumbs. But those Microsoft dependents, who have more than one Excel workbook open at the same time are really punished. Then the Excel macro response time increases several times!

As another example, I would like to list the error message when opening an Excel workbook to a circular reference when there is no such error at all. As proof, I cite the fact, that out of dozens of Excel workbooks, I have only one, that has this apparent error. If you open this Excel workbook first, you won't see any error. However, if you open it as a second one, sometimes an error is displayed and sometimes it is not. I have reported this misconduct several times over the years without reacting or, even better, fixing this Microsoft error! Now I recently wrote another e-mail to this effect, to which an automatic reply showed that my e-mail address was not registered...







