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David McDivitt wrote:

> I need to read files written by a VB program with java. The files
> have a fixed length header then a variable length portion. Contained
> in the header are dates and pointers to text in the rest of the file.
> With java I've been able to read and interpret the pointers and
> strings. I cannot interpret the eight bytes for a date data type,
> though. Help would be appreciated. Thanks

They could be anything, but if they're OLE dates they're double-precision floating point values. The integer portion is the sequential day number since December 30, 1899, and the fractional part is the portion of the day since midnight: 0.25 is 1/4 of a day, or 6AM, etc.

Otherwise, you're going to have to post some data or show us how these are laid out. Give us several examples and, if possible, what dates you think they represent.

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