

Install .NET 3.5 Framework in Windows on a Mac with Apple M1 chip

- Parallels Desktop for Mac Pro Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Business Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition

Issue

Some applications in Windows running in Parallels Desktop on a Mac with Apple M1 chip require .NET 3.5 framework to be installed. However, its installation can fail with the 0x800F0950 error.

Resolution

To install .NET 3.5 framework in a Windows virtual machine in Parallels Desktop on a Mac with Apple M1 chip, you should be running the latest Windows Insider Preview Dev Channel build.

To do that, perform the following steps:

- 1. Follow the steps from KB 125526 to install the latest Windows 10 Insider Preview updates.
- 2. Once the updates have been installed, install .NET 3.5 framework: press Command+R, and in the "Run" prompt paste *optionalfeatures* and click **OK**.

3. In the "Windows Features" window tick .NET framework 3.5 (includes .NET 2.0 and 3.0) and click OK.

