Subject: Re: bug screen freezes

Posted by Jerad2142 on Tue, 24 Jan 2012 02:56:48 GMT

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danpaul88 wrote on Mon, 23 January 2012 09:50Might be worth running checkdisk just to be on the safe side?

@Jerad Gray

A drive developing bad clusters regularly is often a sign that the drive is on it's last legs and is going to completely die at some point in the near future. If it was me I would have made sure to get up-to-date backups of everything on the drive and look into replacing it ASAP. Then again, some drives can develop loads of bad sectors yet be otherwise perfectly healthy... but there's no point taking risks with your data!

Oh, and if you had run checkdisk it should have flagged the sectors as bad and avoided writing to them in future anyway. No need to leave the damaged files in the filesystem.

Check disk didn't catch them, however spinrite would lock up on the spots, thus I was able to make the bad spots (by marking where it froze at percent and resuming after that percent) until I had knew what area of the hard drive was bad, I then partitioned that area (once again by percent) off. This hard drive lasted a while, and then died later after the drive from my college to my house.

In the end I figured out that moving back and forth from college was killing them, I eventually added additional padding to my computer when I transported it, and since then I haven't had to replace any more hard drives, prior to that I was going though about one a year lol.