

Re: Windows Keep Closing

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Oh, so you used the ambiguous word "program" to mean "project and all associated files". That's where my confusion came from. <g>

You describe "running from command line" which to me connotes a DOS window. Why would you do that? (Nothing to do with this, I'm sure, but I'm curious.)

The behavior you're describing is almost like what happens when you issue BROWSE (in a program -- and I mean code by that) without NOWAIT and click on another window, or MODI FORM (in a program -- and I mean code by that) without NOWAIT and click on another window. Perhaps in conjunction with SET SAFETY OFF or something???

Are your drive letters and relative directories for all files in your projects the same on your work and home PC?

This is just truly weird behavior. I've never heard of anything like it.

Dan

Jim Fuchs wrote:

So sorry I'm not as descriptive as I should be. When I bring a "program" home from work to my laptop, or vice-versa, I bring the entire directory, which includes the Project, all my .PRGs, SCXs, etc, the compiled .APP and the compiled .EXE (basically everything I need to work on a "program").

"Programs" created on my laptop, when brought to work carry along with them the problems exhibited on the laptop (windows closing when you click on another -- such as the form edit screen closes -- WITHOUT saving -- when I click on the command window and such.) Programs created at work are just fine, but then exhibit the laptop phenomenon when brought to the laptop. I always compile into .EXEs and run them from the command line and they run fine. It's when I'm trying to EDIT things in my project that these problems occur.

Does that help?

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Thanks again.
Jim

"Dan Freeman" wrote:

Can you clarify this:

I copied the program created on my laptop

What file did you copy? Is it a program (i.e. prg file) or an executable (i.e. exe file)? Both are program files, but you've made it darned difficult for anyone to tell which you mean.

How are you running that file (whatever the heck it is) on the target machine? Are you typing DO in the command window? Choosing it in the VFP Run dialog? Double-clicking it in Windows explorer? Somethign else? Again, you've waffled on this so I can't be sure exactly what's going on.

Nobody can see through your eyes. We have to rely on you to tell us EXACTLY what you're doing.

Dan

Jim Fuchs wrote:

Dan,

So sorry to confuse you. I didn't think we've determined anything yet. I'm simply reporting on it's performance, and still have no idea what is going on. As I see it now, anything CREATED on the laptop is embedded with some sort of bug, and carries itself to other computers. However, anything created on other computers still exhibit that problem on my laptop.

Thank you for the help, though. I'll have to find another channel for my problem I guess.

Jim

"Dan Freeman" wrote:

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You've flip-flopped again. I thought we had determined that this was happening in the VFP IDE and ****NOT**** in programs that you created.

Now you're saying exactly the opposite.

I'll bow out of this since it's impossible to get an accurate description of the problem. Sorry.

Dan

Jim Fuchs wrote:

Haven't tried the Safe Boot yet, as I'm at work.
HOWEVER – I copied the program created on my laptop to my computer here at work (exact same VFP install) and the program brought along the same characteristics (windows closing) as was happening on my laptop. The programs I created here (at work) still operate properly. Does that give anyone a clue? (something is imbedded in the program, not a system problem?)

Jim

"Dan Freeman" wrote:

I agree with Fred. Safe mode is worth a try.

It sounds like you've

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got
SOMETHING
mucking
with they
keyboard
stream. It
could be a
systray
utility or a
driver for
somethingorother.
Safe mode
would take
those things
off the
table, at
least.

Dan

Jim Fuchs
wrote:

Did
the
re-install
and
VFPCLEAN.APP,
tried
the
C:\Program
Files\Microsoft
Visual
FoxPro
9\vfp9.exe
/A.
No
change.
I
really
don't
want
to
do
what
Tony
suggests
–
reinstall
the
operating

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system.
No
other
program
gives
me
any
trouble
at
all,
not
MS
Office
stuff
or
anything
else.
No
keyboard
macros
running
(that
I'm
aware
of).

I'm
just
going
to
have
to
live
with
this,
but
also
search
through
my
Task
Manager
processors
for
anything
weird.
Any
other
suggestions
would
be

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greatly
appreciated.

Jim

"Jim
Fuchs"
wrote:

I'll
give
it
a
try
and
let
you
know.
Thanks!
Jim

"Dan
Freeman"
wrote:

OK,
so
we've
firmly
established
that
this
DOES
NOT
HAPPEN
in
your
applications.
It
happens
in
the
VFP
IDE.

After
you
reinstall
VFP

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cleanly,
try
running
VFPCLEAN.APP
which
may
clean
up
any
muck
in
the
registry.
(You'll
find
it
in
the
VFP
folder.)

This
is
extremely
odd
behavior
that
I've
never
seen
before.
Do
you
have
any
keyboard
macro
utilities
installed?
Do
you
experience
similar
non-normal
behavior
in,
say,
Word
or
Excel?

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Do
you
get
the
same
result
when
you
run
<path>\VFP.EXE
/A
?
(see
"How
to:
Use
Command-Line
Options
When
Starting
Visual
FoxPro"
in
help.)

Dan

Jim
Fuchs
wrote:

Sorry
for
not
being
descriptive
enough.
The
"programs"
I
write
are
just
compiled
.EXE
files
accessing
stand-alone
tables.
When
I

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"install"
them
at
a
client's
site,
I
just
bring
along
the
tables,
the
.EXE,
support
.DLLs
and
such
–
I've
never
written
a
self–installation
application.
What
I'm
referring
to
is,
during
development,
I'll
have
a
form
and
its
INIT
function
up
on
the
screen,
then
when
I
click
on
the
command

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window,
data
session,
or
try
a
"Find"
in
the
INIT,
all
my
form
screens
just
close,
without
saving.

I've
un-installed
and
re-installed
VFP
once
already,
with
no
change.
I'm
beginning
to
think
there's
something
going
on
with
my
laptop
(only
a
year
old),
or
when
I
un-installed
FoxPro
it
didn't

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completely
un-install,
or
there's
some
patch
or
something
that
needs
to
be
added.

Does
that
help?
Jim
Fuchs

"Dan
Freeman"
wrote:

No,
he
meant
when
you
built
the
installer
for
your
own
applications.
VFP
has
some
system
dependencies
that
can
be
at
best
dicey
to
figure
out.

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Installers
built
with
Installshield
Express
take
care
of
making
sure
the
right
files
are
in
the
right
place.

I've
now
re-read
the
entire
thread
and
I
still
can't
figure
out
whether
you're
talking
about
VFP
itself
or
applications
built
in
VFP.
If
it's
VFP
itself,
have
you
installed
any
frameworks?

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Some
frameworks
shamelessly
remap
the
keyboard
--
one
in
particular
traps
CTRL-F
and
closes
the
opened
designer
window.

A
little
more
details
and
a
more
clear
description
of
what
is
happening
might
help
you
get
to
the
bottom
of
this.

Dan

Jim
Fuchs
wrote:

Both
programs
on

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the
laptop
do
the
same
thing
—
closing
windows.
When
you
mention
"installshield
express"
I
take
it
you
mean
when
I
installed
FoxPro
to
begin
with
(not
my
own
programs).
If
so,
yes.
I
just
used
all
the
defaults.
I'll
tell
you,
it's
driving
me
mad!

Jim

"Cy
Welch"

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wrote:

Ok,
so
this
is
not
VFP
that
is
not
working
but
rather
a
program
that
you
wrote
in
VFP?
Did
you
use
the
installshield
express
that
came
with
VFP
to
create
the
install?
I
find
I
have
the
best
luck
using
that
if
I
get
the
settings
right

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because
all
the
right
things
get
installed.
It
sounds
like
something
IS
installed
on
one
machine
and
is
NOT
installed
on
the
other.

Cy
Welch
Senior
Programmer
MetSYS
Inc
<http://www.r>

Jim
Fuchs
wrote:

Sam
prog
(sam
disk
even
I
once
did
a
com
un-i
rebo
then
insta

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it
agai
but
the
prob
still
cont
I
wen
thro
all
the
Tool
/
Opti
look
for
soe
kind
of
setti
that
need
chan
but
coul
find
one.
Com
to
think
of
it,
I
have
two
diffe
prog
I
crea
usin
VFP
9
and,
whe
I
get
back
hom
I'm
goin

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to
see
if
the
first
one
does
the
same
thing
If
not,
then
I
can
narrow
it
down
to
the
prog
I'll
let
you
know
tom

Than
Cy.

"Cy
Wel
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