

## SP causes 100% CPU

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I have two PC's, both W2k Prof SP3. I am trying to update to SP4 & all other relevant patches. Everytime I try the CPU utilisation goes to 100%, update.exe is hogging the CPU. I have seen info about using a version of update.exe earlier than 5.4.1 (I think) which had a bug in it that caused very similar symptoms to those I am experiencing. I have downloaded the latest from MS but the same thing still happens – ie try to run the patch to patch update.exe & I see 100% cpu utilisation!!

I have tried booting in Safe Mode to run the sp, no joy, tried crossing my fingers, no joy, whispered sweet nothings into the pcs ear, no joy – does anyone have the answer to this before these pcs get turned into "flying bricks"