

Re: Unable to install .NET 1.1 via Windows Update and Redistributa

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I must sheepishly apologize for what seems to be a cry-wolf incident. It turns out that the culprit was a bad stick of ram! I'm not sure what caused me to suspect it, but I used Microsoft's RAM testing application, and I discovered that one of my two sticks of ram had failed the uncached-walking-ones-and-zeroes test.

The defect in the ram was so slight as to be undetectable by any basic test and didn't even raise any other alarms in Windows, not even during installation. However, it was causing all of my downloads to get corrupted, and it also caused my CD Rom drive to have trouble reading certain files. In any case, after replacing the ram, all installations have proceeded smoothly and I have gone on to enjoy my new machine.

Thanks for all your patience and help, PA Bear. Sorry to waste your time!

"PA Bear [MS MVP]" wrote:

1. See this archived post about the problem:
<http://groups.google.com/group/microsoft.public.windowsxp.general/msg/bf083ccff1446ac2>
2. Post to this .NET Framework-specific newsgroup instead:
microsoft.public.dotnet.framework.setup
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sensei wrote:

Thanks for getting back to me so quickly, PA Bear.

I was able to successfully uninstall .NET using the utility on that page, but whenever I try to reinstall the .NET framework 1.0 using the

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"Extracting file failed. It is most likely caused by low memory(low disk space for swapping file) or corrupted Cabinet file."

I've redownloaded this file several times, and I know I have a ton of free memory and disk space. What to do?

"PA Bear [MS MVP]" wrote:

See <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/923100> (ignore the title)

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I return with new information:

I've downloaded the .NET 1.1 and .NET 3.0 setup files from (C|Net)Download.com and those files also experienced much the same problems -- although the .NET 3.0 actually had a valid certificate. After doing a bitwise-comparison between the two files, I noticed that only ONE single byte was different, but that was enough to throw off the certification.

As fascinating as this all is, it brings me to the bleak realization that there probably isn't anything that corrupt about the .NET files sitting on Microsoft's servers because the behaviour is the same for both copies of the file.

"sensei" wrote:

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I've installed Windows XP Pro on many systems, but this is the first time I've encountered this problem.

I just can't seem to get the following software installed via Microsoft Update without an error code of: 0x80246002

.NET 1.1
.NET 3.0

I'm starting with a fresh install of Windows XP Pro on a brand new quad-core workstation.

I installed software in the following order:

Windows XP SP1 (from original installation CD)
SP2 (redistributable executable from microsoft)
Microsoft Update (and every critical and major update successfully installed)

I was, however, able to install .NET 1.0 from the XP CD-Rom, and .NET 2.0 worked from a redistributable file. Nothing unusual happened during the installation of those two programs, but I cannot apply service packs to them without the same 0x80246002 error.

Finally, one more conundrum:

I've noticed that the .NET 1.1 redistributable does not

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have a proper
certificate — Windows
claims that it comes from an
"Unknown
Publisher",
and when I run it anyways,
it dies when extracting
InstMsiW.exe with
the
error:

"Extracting file failed. It is
most likely caused by low
memory (low
disk
space for swapping file) or
corrupted Cabinet file."

This can't be the case, since
this is a brand new computer
with over
700GB
of free space and 2 GB of
ram, with nothing running in
the background.

I've
attempted redownloading
the same file several times,
but I'm led to
believe
that maybe the file on
Microsoft's website is
corrupted because the
file
does not change in any way
with each successive
download, even after
clearing my cache.

I'm dying to get this new
workstation started. Your
help is greatly
appreciated.