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Posted by [DJ](#) on Fri, 20 Oct 2006 02:17:22 GMT
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Posted by [Rod Lincoln](#) on Fri, 20 Oct 2006 02:58:32 GMT
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I had a feeling it was tied to the vid card.

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 20 Oct 2006 05:42:31 GMT
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James

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 20 Oct 2006 05:43:31 GMT
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James

"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

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Posted by [DJ](#) on Fri, 20 Oct 2006 06:14:28 GMT
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Man.it's been a struggle..thanks

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news:45386203@linux...

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Subject: Re: Reverse engineering a disaster
Posted by [TCB](#) on Fri, 20 Oct 2006 20:33:54 GMT
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First, all due respect to Morgan but computers don't have personalities, preferences, or emotions any more than your microwave does. We carbon based systems and our massively parallel pattern matching brains like to think the rest of the world works and doesn't work like us, and to a point that's a useful way to explain things only because it's familiar. But that pattern matching gets us in trouble when we start applying it to things like machines, which is unsurprising when it's remembered we evolved to survive on African grasslands full of somewhat similar things that we needed to eat or might want to eat us, but with very few big block 390s, Rolex watches, and yes computers. But when it gets down to it computers are devices and files. Nothing more. One of the great things about linux is that nearly every file you might need to find is a text config file, and if it's a binary file that is the problem you can always get the text file that was used to create the binary. People think us linux dweebs are cheap, but that's not really the point.

Anyway, for you Deej, do you back up your registry before making a hardware change? I'd say 99% of the serious hardware problems can be fixed by changing back the hardware and replacing the registry. If I'm worried about something I'll do it the cave man way, which is boot off of a CD and copy every file in c:\Windows\system32\config to a folder in C:\temp\reg_bac. If something goes to hell just boot off a CD again, copy the files back, and that's that.

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Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Fri, 20 Oct 2006 20:44:53 GMT
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Works great. :-)

John

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