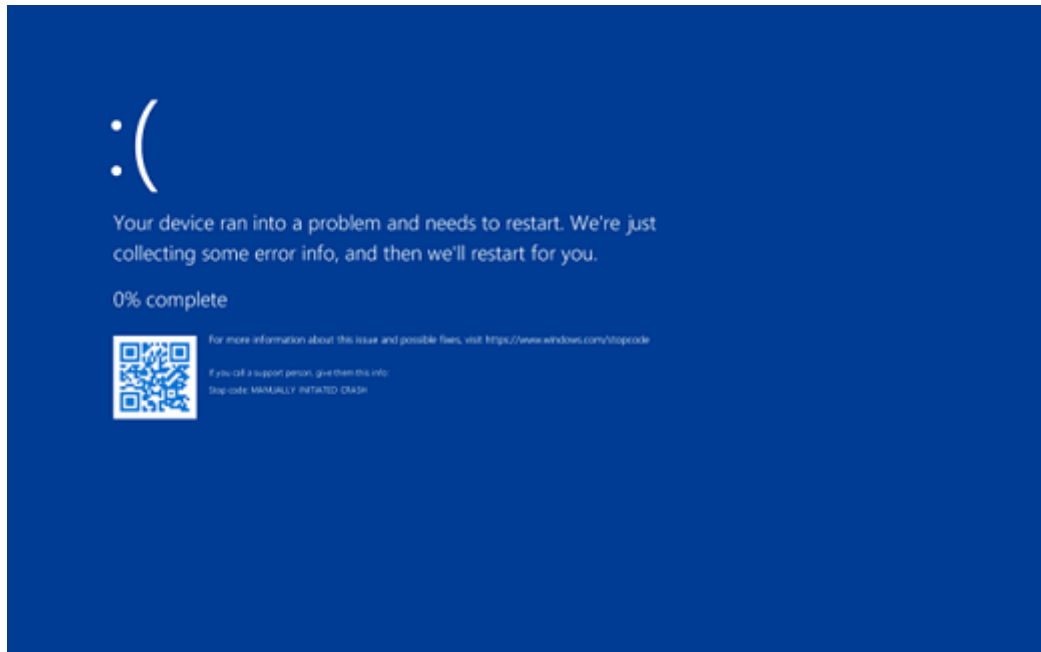


BSOD



AKA Bug Checks, when a critical error happens, and exception could be handled by the OS, you will see an **Blue Screen of Death**

Two broad categories of BSOD

1. Failed Assertion, when OS, driver codes seek a **"Should Never Happen"** condition
2. Unhandled or illegal exception, such as traps

Clean and dirty shutdown

Clean shutdown 1074

also called graceful shutdown, as the operation is usually expected

Information 9/7/2023 5:55:18 AM User32 1074 None

The process C:\Windows\System32\RuntimeBroker.exe (DESKTOP-LGBUJOD) has initiated the power off of computer DESKTOP-LGBUJOD on behalf of user DESKTOP-LGBUJOD\peter for the following reason: Other (Unplanned)
Reason Code: 0x0
Shutdown Type: power off
Comment:

Usually a process shutdown/restart computer on behalf of a user

1074, and you want to figure out who did so?

1. download NotMyFault, extract, run, accept agreement
2. task scheduler, create a basic task
3. when an Event is logged (System, SCM,1074)
4. start a program `<path>\NotMyFault.exe /bugcheck 0xe2`

remind our customers that after this configuration, even a restart on purpose will create a dump

some Events to check

Information 9/7/2023 5:44:07 AM EventLog 6005 None

The Event log service was started.

Information 8/25/2023 4:11:11 AM EventLog 6006 None

The Event log service was stopped.

Information 8/25/2023 4:11:07 AM User32 1074 None

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Reason Code: 0x0

Critical 8/25/2023 4:08:22 AM Kernel-Power 41 (63)

The system has rebooted without cleanly shutting down first. This error could be caused if the system stopped responding, crashed, or lost power unexpectedly.

Error 8/25/2023 4:08:33 AM EventLog 6008 None

The previous system shutdown at 7:17:18 AM on 8/24/2023 was unexpected.

Error 8/24/2023 6:44:29 AM BugCheck 1001 None

The computer has rebooted from a bugcheck. The bugcheck was: 0x000000d1 (0xfffffae0d5f9dd010, 0x0000000000000002, 0x0000000000000000, 0xfffff804449412d0). A dump was saved in: c:\MEMORY.DMP. Report Id: d94b358b-1a98-4b1b-863a-4d93de55742b.

dirty shutdown

Event 6005 after 6008 or 41

Scenario 1

Within event 41:

Check bugcheckcode in XML, convert to hex e.g. 159 ==> 0x9F

Go check if dump exists

Scenario 2

Powerbuttontimestamp has a non-zero value

Someone might pressed the power button

Scenario 3

Bugcheckcode 0, PBTS 0

Might be hardware issue

1. Check 6008
2. Contact hardware vendor
3. Update BIOS,UEFI firmware

4. Update VMware related binary

No 41, no 1001, only 6008, check dump, also use action plan above

Scenario 4

Similar to scenario 3, but event 46 occurred

Event 46 indicates Dump generation failed

Go Check pagefile configuration

Dump1keys, Dump2key

on machines that don't have right ctrl, lock scroll key, you may use **Dump1keys, Dump2key** to manually trigger a crash

remove CrashOnCtrlScroll registry key if exists

Under i8042prt or kbdhid, we create new key CrashDump

Add 2 values

Key	Type	Value
Dump1keys	REG_DWORD	0x01
Dump2key	REG_DWORD	0x3d

Hold left **shift** and press **space** twice to trigger crash, you can customize your own combo

Possible causes for no dump

1. vender's auto recovery feature such as ASR
2. Hyper-v heartbeat check
3. dump damaged during compression, ask customer to send raw dump file
4. no enough space, try copy out **pagefile.sys** or "**dedicateddumpfile.sys**" in RE

enable or disable hyper-v heartbeat

```
REM Get a list of running integration services:
```

```
Get-VMIntegrationService -VMName "DemoVM"
```

```
REM to enable
```

```
Enable-VMIntegrationService -VMName "DemoVM" -Name "Heartbeat"
```

```
REM to disable
```

```
Disable-VMIntegrationService -VMName "DemoVM" -Name "Heartbeat"
```

You can track creation of dump by adding new value under **CrashControl** in registry

Name	Type	Value
EnableLogFile	REG_DWORD	1

before submit dump file, check validity with dumpcheck.exe

old friend 7B

here are some more services you may check

1. PCI
2. LSI_SAS
3. MOUNTMGR
4. NDIS

remember check corresponding **driver.sys** in **system32\drivers** folder

NoBootDeviceCheck

an alternative to 7bchecks.exe

how does it work

1. Phase 1 self-training/ learning device tree in RE while OS disk volume could be accessed
2. Phase 2 compare the device tree built in phase 1 against offline hives and files to probe missing entities

In RE, run command

```
NoBootDeviceCheck.exe <drive_letter>: >> result.txt 2>&1
```

After get the report

1. Pay attention with alert message in the report as they tell you what device or drivers caused the problem
2. Try restore hives, edit registry, copy corresponding file from parallel machines, etc.

Bug Check workflow

