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DO NOT BUY HISENSE TV'S LOL (Or at least keep them offline)

holy fucking shit!!!!!!!!!!!!

I've had this in my drafts to finish writing up for a few weeks but today I made another discovery that has pushed me to finally write it up lol.

My PC had a few hiccups over the past couple of years. Nothing so serious that I was truly concerned (at first) but, annoyances, to be sure. ("PC? Weren't you talking about a TV??" you might be thinking to yourself. Yes. I'll get there. Oh, will I *ever* get there.)

For a long time, the most serious hiccup with my PC was being unable to open Display Settings on my PC. I had to use Nvidia control panel to make adjustments. Whatever. Didn't affect my ability to work or anything. I had just updated to Windows 11 so I thought maybe something went wrong in the update. So I did another install (which meant I had to re-install a ton of music plugin stuff on my computer which takes ages given all the stuff I use.)

The fresh install still didn't fix it. So I simply ignored it for the better part of 2 years.

Over time, so slowly I didn't really clock them as being related, other things started to fail.

I have a Komplete Kontrol S88 midi Keyboard that interfaces with Kontakt and Komplete Kontrol in my DAW. I can use the keyboard to adjust settings or select instruments without having to look at my computer screen. At some point last year this stopped working. I could still use it to input midi, and I was afraid I'd have to do a fresh install of all the Native Instruments stuff I use, so I kept putting off trying to fix it until I had less going on with work. It worked, just not as well as it should!

Then, Task manager started to hang in weird ways. It wouldn't close unless I forced it closed with ProcExp. Whatever! Computers are weird!

I had trouble getting video capture cards to connect when I considered streaming Splatoon. Whatever! I'm not a streamer, I should probably use that energy on something else.

But then, in March, I had some things fail that, turns out, are pretty necessary to using the computer.

I was trying to get remote desktop to work on my tablet so I could work in the living room closer to my cat, Grendel, who was still very much in mourning for his best friend (<3 Guts). Grendel is at his happiest when he's napping on the couch next to a human. So I thought, hey, I could do some stuff in remote desktop mode! It wasn't something I used very often because it doesn't play super nice with audio, it'd been probably over a year since I last used it, but I knew it *had* worked and had been easy to set up.

Well. It refused to connect despite appearing as an option on my tablet. And as I was trying to troubleshoot this problem...

My task bars on my PC disappeared! If I moused over the spot they should have been I got the loading circle. And my monitors would jitter!

System settings were nowhere to be found. To navigate I had to open Task Manager (which if you recall was already acting strange and sluggish for the past year) in order to open the command panel, which I'd then use to launch programs. Or, attempt to. If I tried to open the system settings, my PC spat out "Uhhh what's "Settings"? We ain't got settings" (in command I got "C:\Windows\System32>start ms-settings: Access is denied." *despite being in admin mode*)

SO I started to panic a wee bit. It's not a great time for me to possibly need a new PC! Plus, it works great *when it works*.

I manually backed up everything important from my main PC drive (as I could not access the windows backup program because it lived in settings!!!!!!!!!!) and downloaded the Windows 11 installer to a drive in case I needed to completely wipe my computer and start fresh.

In a last ditch effort, I tried updating my Nvidia GeForce graphics driver and restarted.

Lo and behold, my taskbars came back and I could access settings again! Huzzah!

This lasted for 6 days. And then the taskbars disappeared AGAIN along with Settings.

At least by now I'd become somewhat comfortable using command to get around, so I was less panicked than I was in round 1. I at least knew the computer wouldn't crash and delete all my shit suddenly (plus I had my backups that were up-to-date).

I asked my friends if they'd ever heard of anything like this, and Cohost's own [@vogon](#) helped me poke around some additional graphics driver stuff in case updating to the new Nvidia program that's in beta would solve my issue. This felt super promising when I went into safe mode and saw taskbars. So, I did the update, and, as before, when I updated, the taskbars came back! But there were gone again almost immediately. My screen literally started flickering and they vanished. It was so fucking bizarre.

I turned to google once more, hoping that somehow, as useless as google is these days, maybe I'd find what I needed to fix my damn computer!

Somehow, against all odds, I found it. I happened to use the exact right string in my search to pull up some reddit threads. The first one didn't have anything useful, but a few results down I spotted "no taskbar and task manager freezes" holy moly!!!

At first glance however, there wasn't anything useful. But then I spotted some collapsed comments at the bottom of the thread. I knew more than likely they just had comments like "sucks bro" or "this is why i use linux :/" But I expanded them and inside was a link to a Microsoft forum post. I kept my expectations in check and clicked on the link. What I saw had my nearly vibrating in my seat.

display driver "no task bar" no settings no display settings "windows 11"



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I know you've already mentioned this, but we need to ...

So not a windows 11 fault. Reply reply. Share ... no task bar or anything. restarting works every ... But in Microsoft fashion, Explorer **does not** actually check if ...

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defnotfran · 4mo ago

Help with figuring out what is causing waitchain/deadlock in dashost (causing TaskMgr, Settings hang or any app that uses WiFi/BT) - Microsoft Q&A

This helped me fix all my issues with task manager and Spotify (where before it was a blank grey screen and the 3 dots in the top left). Wi-Fi also doesn't take ages to reconnect as well.



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Qlii256 · 4mo ago

You are my hero (and the guy who posted the fix).

This fixed all my issues, I just upgraded to 23595 and it's all working now! No more crashes, explorer works just fine. No more slow apps and task manager works as expected!

Just wondering now why it happened to only one pc. And will it happen again in the future? I've also been having some Bluetooth issues with my phone for some weeks now, could this also be related to this issue? It seems slows to connect to other bluetooth devices where it did work almost instantly before...



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2 answers

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Narayan B

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Nov 16, 2023, 12:20 AM

So I finally solved it!

Source of the problem: an Android TV (HiSense model) connected to my network. Yes. A TV caused this issue.

Details:

The root cause is the TV generates random UUIDs for UPNP network discovery every few minutes. That means it poses as a new device. This caused windows to add it to the device list (Device Association Framework, aka DAF) as a new device. This means now 1000s of devices (which is the same device) filled the device tree causing it to enumerate forever. Thus the "deadlock".

TaskManager uses DashHost to enumerate devices for some reason, so that hangs.

Bluetooth relies on device discovery, so that also hangs, and Settings app along with it.

Network discovery in file explorer obviously also needs Device discovery, so that also hangs.

How to solve:

1. Open Services App, find "Device Association Service", right-click it, properties and change Startup type to "Disabled". Then Apply and close.

[This was the solution.](#)

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HISENSE? LIKE THE SAME BRAND OF TV I HAVE HAD SINCE 2020???

I followed the instructions. I deleted keys generated by our TV for 5 straight minutes. 5 Minutes of like 200BPM clicking. I restarted. Everything worked again. I laughed so hard I cried. I felt like I'd solved a murder. The main suspect was the PC but the culprit was the TV in the other room. And he almost got away with it!!! If I had spent a few days carrying out a clean install and re-installing all my work stuff, my problem would have come back. If I had taken the PC out back and shot it and replaced it with a fancy new computer, the problem would have come back.

Because the problem was never the PC. The Problem was my Hisense TV in the next room.

Once I carried this out, I was able to open display settings for the first time (outside of safe mode) in 2 years. When I deleted the keys, my Task Manager started behaving normally again. I turned around and saw that my keyboard was once again displaying the VST controls on its screen. The fancy midi keyboard was back at full functionality. I was able to connect my CRT as a display again using the HDMI -> RCA converters I'd assumed had stopped working (nope! they still worked, they always worked!)

Which brings me to today. Almost a month later everything still works. So, I decided to see if remote desktop would magically work again. The answer is: Yes. Yes, in fact, my TV was the reason my remote desktop connection had failed the month before.

So here I am, sitting on my couch with my tablet and bluetooth keeb and mouse, writing this post in remote desktop mode so I could attach screenshots of this saga to my post without sitting at my PC. Grendel is snoring beside me as I write.

As a treat for reading this far, please enjoy two screenshots of my friends reacting to the solution of my great mystery.



Wren 03/26/2024 4:07 PM

holy fucking shit dude
that's insanely haunted
jesus christ



ghoulnoise 03/26/2024 4:08 PM

YEAH



Wren 03/26/2024 4:09 PM

in my professional motherfucking opinion that's one of the most cursed things i've ever seen



Erica 03/26/2024 4:11 PM

thats super cursed but also insanely funny that that could ever be a problem oh my god



Christine 03/26/2024 4:12 PM

WHAT?!

I mean. That is the funniest possible answer. But also WHAT



herli 03/26/2024 4:13 PM

ooooohhhh my god
congrats on figuring that out though what the fuck



ghoulnoise 03/26/2024 4:15 PM

I'm lost for words
I had to delete keys for 5 straight minutes
I feel like master roshi with the rice cooker
my tv is fucking king piccolo'ing my computer
my computer is Krillin

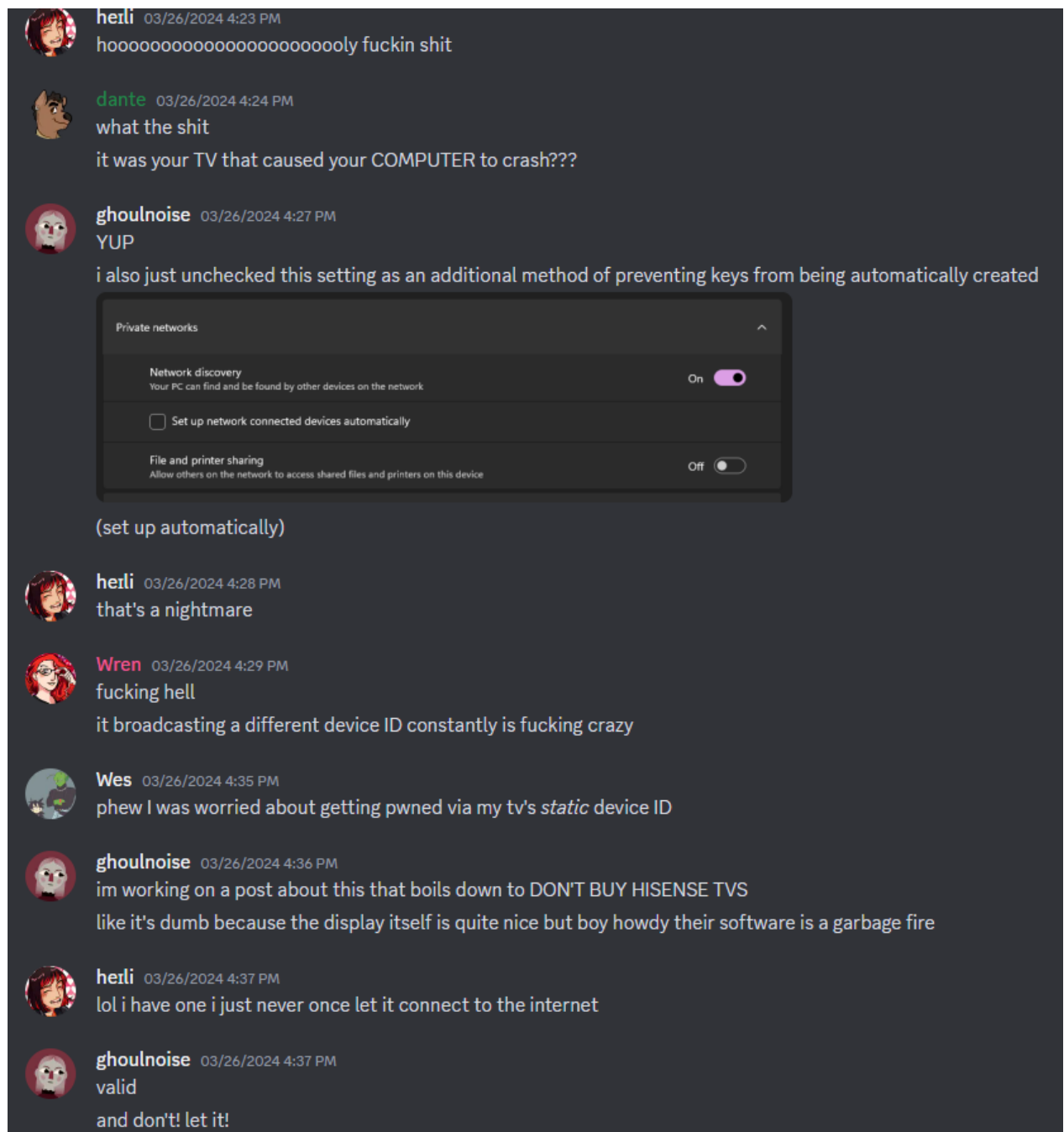


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deb 03/26/2024 4:18 PM

WHAT
that's incredible



adding: the TV in question, in case you're curious: Hisense 50Q8G- 50" Smart 4K ULED™ Android TV with Quantum Dot Technology (Canada Model)