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Posted by Jerad2142 on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 17:37:40 GMT

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Posted by Oblivion165 on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 17:58:33 GMT

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Posted by Jerad2142 on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 18:21:39 GMT

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I have to get a new flash drive soon, so I am going to get one that is ready boost capable (vista option that basically turns the flash drive into ram) I will see if that works. Otherwise I will have to get someone with more then 2 GB of RAM I suppose. And yes, I am noticing the downtime as well.

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Oblivion165 on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 18:26:09 GMT

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Sounds like a plan.

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Zion on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 19:43:44 GMT

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Posted by Canadacdn on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 20:19:22 GMT

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Renforums: Goes down more than a cheerleader at homecoming.

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Ethenal on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 22:06:14 GMT

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That explains why it suddenly stops working for several minutes at a time...

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Oblivion165 on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 23:58:02 GMT

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Yeah and at the exact time I want to use it every single time

EDIT: Like just now, Gah thats annoying.

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Goztow on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 07:48:00 GMT

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Incremental backups ftw.

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Jerad2142 on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 13:17:42 GMT

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Ya that sounds right, because I came back to see if anyone had replied yet.

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Posted by luv2pb on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 14:03:09 GMT

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Posted by Jerad2142 on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 17:09:10 GMT

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Posted by danpaul88 on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 17:42:39 GMT

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Posted by Jerad2142 on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 18:35:36 GMT

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As a side note: I set the paging files max to 10 GB and level edit doesn't even try to access it (as far as pathfind goes anyways).

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by danpaul88 on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 18:55:37 GMT

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Don't forget any single application by default CANNOT have more than 2gb of memory, regardless of the amount of RAM actually available in the system. This could be the problem your having... there's some hacks and such you can use to make it access more RAM.

(NB: And this only applies to 32 bit, any 64 bit Windows operating system does not have this limitation)

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Jerad2142 on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 19:11:15 GMT

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Do you have any suggestions of where I could get any of those hacks, or if the limitation applies to vista?

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Carrierll on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 19:14:02 GMT

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If you're using 32 Bit Vista, I'd wager that the limitation is still in place due to 32 bit's max of 4 GB RAM and the fact that XP and Vista are both NT kernels. I could well be wrong.

@ post below this one -

WTF? I thought 64-bit would run 32-bit software at at least the same speed??

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*I guessed as much, I suppose I could try to reinstall the operating system under 64 bit, but last time it took me hours to get it all set back up (this is because I am at school and forgot to bring all my driver disks). I originally installed it under 32 because I wanted it to run games fast, so if there is a hack that I could implement, post a link, or at least what to look for.

Never mind, after some reading it looks like a 32 bit program running under a 64 bit operating system would still be able only to access a max of 4 GB of ram, so I assume level edit is only 32 bit so it would be pointless to upgrade to 64 bit.

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Posted by luv2pb on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 19:53:22 GMT

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I have 32bit XP and I can use more than 2 with some things. Supreme Commander and the C&C3 Worldbuilder are good examples.

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Jerad2142 on Tue, 02 Oct 2007 19:54:46 GMT

Are the programs drawing more then 2 GB of ram to them selfs alone?

Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by danpaul88 on Mon, 08 Oct 2007 08:37:12 GMT

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Sorry for the slow response, as for the 'hacks' I mentioned before, here's the instructions for how to apply it to Supreme Commander, you can try to apply the same fix to LevelEdit's exe, I think it should work fine.

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Subject: Re: Level Edit Fun

Posted by Ryu on Mon, 08 Oct 2007 09:25:31 GMT

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You could choose how much ram Half-Life took up. v v

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Posted by The Elite Officer on Mon, 08 Oct 2007 12:36:02 GMT

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The perfect answer to the perfect guestion. Good Job.

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