

Crash

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A **Crash**, also known as a **System Crash** or **Application Crash**, is an event wherein the [Operating System \(OS\)](#) or a computer [Application](#) stops functioning properly. It mostly occurs when:

- [Hardware \(H/W\)](#) has failed in a non-recoverable fashion
- [Operating System \(OS\)](#) data have become corrupted
- Recovery from an error is not possible without loss of data

An **Application Crash** can result in an unexpected exit from the application, whereas a **System Crash** can result in freezing of the computer.

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