# Runtime Error

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## Definition

A **Runtime Error** is an error that occurs when a program you're using or writing crashes or produces a wrong output. At times, it may prevent you from using the application or even your personal computer. In some cases, users need only refresh their device or the program to resolve the **Runtime Error**. However, sometimes, users may have to perform a particular action to fix the error.

**Runtime Errors** are of various types, including logic and encoding errors. Such errors are caused by unpatched bugs in the software build or used up memory. Simple fixes include reinstalling the affected program, updating it with a newer iteration, or operating it in Safe Mode.

Before a **Runtime Error** shows up on your computer, you may have noticed its performance slowing down. When **Runtime Errors** occur, your computer will always display a prompt stating the specific type of error you've encountered.

See also [2.3.4.9 Error Taxonomy](#) for a set of common types of **Runtime Errors**

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