

## Doomsday Engine - Bug #189

### Multiplayer Game-Pausing Bug.

2004-08-30 12:49 - carlos\_ed

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**Description**

This bug can be reproduced like this:

- Start a game server.
- Client joins game.
- Server pauses the game.
- Client disconnects while game is paused.
- Client reconnects while game is still paused.

The client can move freely (... can't attack or interact with world.) while the world is frozen in a complete dead stop. No "Pause" warning on upper side of the screen is shown when this happens.

**Labels:** Multiplayer

#### History

##### #1 - 2005-12-18 17:34 - carlos\_ed

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This is great. Freakin' bug still isn't fixed, more than a year has passed...

Is it so difficult to add a simple boolean flag stating the game state (Paused/Unpaused) upon handshaking with clients? Probably not the best way... but it **would** fix this crappy bug. - :/

##### #2 - 2006-06-01 19:15 - yagisan

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Can you reproduce this with 1.9.0beta4 ?

##### #3 - 2006-06-02 01:31 - carlos\_ed

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I am not sure. But i think i tested it with beta 3 and it was still there. I haven't tested it yet, because none of my buddies is too fond of Doomsday anymore. Not since the focus of the bug-fixing started to sway off these gameplay bugs anyway. And there are several other serious bugs that affect even single player. The thing is, I could be opening a whole world of new "bug-entries" here. Would that make any difference? Would that point out the **severe** necessity of focusing away from the portability/cosmetic fixes to start doing something with the gameplay that currently is somehow "sketchy" and bug-ridden? If it does, i'll gladly start preaching some people to help do some testing to point out all the bugs we have.

For example...:

- The colision system is **REALLY** screwed up. Fall on a

torch and you get stuck on it. Cacodemons get stuck to each other in mid-air, etc... :/

- The pre-caching of resources doesn't seem to do what it's supposed to. I can't believe 256Mb VRAM and 1Gb of RAM isn't enough to pre-cache all of the resources of the game. When using the 3D models from jDRP 1.01 (or 1.1... well, the latest version available now.), this turns from 1-2s hitches to full 30s to 40s halts. Like you open the door, the video freezes on that frame, you hear hell kicking your but, you hear yourself dying from it, the next frame you see is a red screen and, when that fades, your face on the ground. Next you quit the game, cursing and yealing your face of to the screen. And a warning of virtual memory too low, awaits you on your desktop. Upon reading that you wonder... "where the hell did my 4Gb fixed swap file space go?" More than 5Gb of memory consumed to play Doom? Is this right? I don't think so. Ok, a reasonable 256 or even 512Mb I would take it. But 5Gb... come on, this is not going the right way.

**REALLY! sigh...** :(

I better stop here, or else im going to have to open new bug-threads. Untill I get word from the developers that they'll start to pay more attention to gameplay issues I'm not putting here entries to be growing years old. Check the open date on this bug!... I'll give a try one of these days with another machine i have on my house LAN. This, because I honestly want to like doomsday!

#### **#4 - 2006-06-02 14:49 - yagisan**

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OK. A several points.

- 1) 1 bug per report thanks.
- 2) Confirm the bug you are reporting exists in the current version before reporting it.
- 3) 1.9.0beta4 works fine a pentium 2 233Mhz with 256MB of RAM, with minimal swapping with models, high-res textures, and additional particle effects.
- 4) Add -v to your startup options to see the precaching working. Your OS may discard the precached data however.
- 5) turning on texture compression (-texcomp on the command line) minimises lag caused by loading new textures (even if precached)
- 6) Why do you think I'm going though the bug reports ? It's not to waste my time, I assure you. Try not to flame people with limited time to work on problems.
- 7) Patches are always welcome

#### **#5 - 2006-06-05 14:23 - carlos\_ed**

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Ok, I went and tried the current 1.9.0 beta 4 release. I couldn't confirm if the pause bug still exists, because the client always crashed right after handshaking. It gave the error "cl\_frame2recieved: Unknown delta type 67". I couldn't try a multiplayer game because that error sistematically occurred on the client. Always right after handshaking.

About that precaching issue, thanks for the verbose mode tip. It allowed me to see that, in fact, the resources are being precached. But are not so correctly. Some of them are not being pre-cached. Like, for example some flats' textures and monster projectiles. I don't know if it is by design, or some overlooking in the coding. But the huge RAM consumption has every simptoms of a memory leak. I could observe the amount of memory "Doomsday.exe" occupied growing without stop in taskmanager. Oddly enough, this only happens when I use Direct3D. In OpenGL the game behaves exactly as expected to be normal. I'd be gratefull if this issue got fixed, or the OpenGL mode to get some updates. I changed to Direct3D in the first place because some texture effects on OpenGL

were always wrong in my computer. Ever since the first model pack. And I have changed my computer from an Athlon XP with a Radeon 9600 to an Athlon64 (running @ 32bit) with an Radeon x700Pro. So, I really don't think it's a driver/video card issue as someone back when I had the 9600Pro pointed out as my current computer has nothing in common with my previous one, and those problems still happen in OpenGL. They are small enough though and don't affect gameplay one bit, so I am not the least bit concerned by them.

Last but not least, after re-reading my previous comment, I grant I went overboard. I feel like I owe an apology. Although I just had a bad day, innocent bystanders shouldn't take the heat for that. Can we start over again.. this time the right way? - :)

**#6 - 2007-09-28 21:25 - terracon**

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This bug is still there. Tested on linux dedicated server 1.9 beta-5.2