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TOPIC -----

I've heard that not all programs can operate under Virtual Memory. Is this true? What about using Virtual Memory with a CD-ROM instead of upgrading installed memory?

DISCUSSION -----

Virtual Memory, just like 32-bit addressing, cannot be used with all applications. Some older versions of programs don't know how to work with Virtual Memory turned on. The only way to find out if your programs will work with Virtual Memory is to either call the software vendor, or try turning Virtual Memory on and running the application.

Using Virtual Memory will slow the computer down, so it is not a good idea to have it turned on when you're trying to work with a CD-ROM disk. It should work, but speed and performance suffer badly enough to render some things -- like interactive CDs, animations, and QuickTime movies -- practically unusable.

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