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AppleCD SC: Plays Music But Won't Read Data Problem

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TOPIC -----

The CD Remote desk accessory on my Macintosh suddenly doesn't work anymore. I can play audio CDs just fine, but that's all.

The CD-ROM platter loads, the access light comes on, and the access light blinks once. Then the system freezes up. The AppleCD SC's eject button ejects the platter, and finally an alert box appears suggesting that the disk is not Macintosh formatted.

DISCUSSION -----

This is probably caused by an incompatible third-party INIT corrupting the System file. The CD-ROM driver v3.0.1 loads incorrectly and can't read data discs, though it still can play audio CDs.

Follow these repair steps:

- 1) Trash your old System, then reinstall a new System. Be sure there are no duplicate System folders on the hard drive before reinstalling.
- 2) Put only Apple INITs into the System folder; see if the AppleCD SC works.
- 3) One at a time, add your third-party INITs and CDEVs back into the System folder, testing after each addition. It's entirely possible that you'll get everything put back the way it was and the system will work--this would show that you had a corrupted System resource file.

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