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TOPIC --

One annoying aspect of A/UX is that it sometimes fails to respond promptly
to mouse clicks (presumably because the preemptive time slicer has
preempted the task running my Macintosh window and has given the CPU to
someone else).

So, for example, when I'm trying to edit a file name by clicking the name
under the icon, I often find myself launching the software instead, because
the Macintosh "double-click detector" thinks I double-clicked, when in fact
I only clicked twice in the text field of the icon. In other words, the
definition of "double-click" seems to be variable under A/UX.

DISCUSSION ---

Although A/UX handles jobs based on a preemptive, time-slice basis, we
can't reproduce the mouse double-clicking behavior that you described. In
any case, here is the scenario of the mouse motion:

    If the file is UNLOCKED and the mouse is pointed and single-
    clicked on the name of that file under the icon, the mouse symbol
    SHOULD change from arrow pointer to I-beam which lets you change the
    name of the file (the name is then highlighted). Then, when the
    mouse is double-clicked on the name, the word in the name is
    selected and allowed to change that word. When the mouse pointer leaves
    the name area, it becomes an arrow point.

If the file is LOCKED and the mouse is pointed and a single-clicked on the name of that file under the icon, the mouse symbol remains an arrow pointer which means the name of file can't be changed, because it was LOCKED. In this case, if the mouse is double-clicked on the name of the locked file, it will launch the program.

Check if the file to be renamed is LOCKED or UNLOCKED.

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