

ERROR: The specified bundle is invalid

- Parallels Desktop
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition

Symptoms

Parallels Desktop displays the following error on attempting to register the new Virtual machine:

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Cause

1. Virtual machines's bundle (.pvm file) does not contain **config.pvs** file necessary for the Virtual machine to run.
2. You are trying to run virtual machine from **User account** which does not have appropriate permissions.
3. Virtual machine migrated from a real PC was not migrated properly.

Resolution 1

Note: If your Virtual Machine was migrated from a real PC, please perform migration once again.

Config.pvs file was deleted manually by mistake or is missing as a result of incorrect or incomplete copying of this Virtual machine's bundle from another place (external storage, other Mac etc.)

Resolution 2

Try to find a standalone **config.pvs** (not as a part of the .PVM bundle) on your Mac using Spotlight.

Another way to make the Virtual machine running is to create a new virtual machine using "**Continue without disc**" option and then attach the existing .hdd bundle to this new Virtual machine.

To do it please choose "**New**" from the Parallels Desktop menubar, then choose "**New installation from DVD or image file**". In the "**Install from:**" field please choose "**Continue without disk**" and click "**Continue**"

Proceed with creating a new Virtual machine to the stage of choosing Name and Location.

Check the "**Customize settings before installation**" check-box and click "**Continue**".

When Configuration window opens click on "**Hard Disk 1**" and from the "**Source**" list choose "**Choose an image file**".

In the "**Open**" window navigate to the .pvm bundle you wanted to register, open it, click on .hdd file, open it and locate another .hdd file. Click on it and click "**Open**"

Close Configuration window and click "**Continue**" to start this Virtual machine. The new Virtual machine should start normally.

Resolution 3

In case you are trying to run the virtual machine from another **User** account, please follow instructions in the article below:

[9303](#) **How to share a VM with several user accounts on a Mac**

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