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How to make your system mobile with Paragon Drive Copy 12 and Microsoft Windows Virtual PC



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Introduction

This document is intended to show you how to transfer your system alongside with all data and programs to your pocket hard drive with help of Paragon Drive Copy 12. Your system will be converted to a virtual machine, which is an exact clone of your software environment.

With this virtual machine you will be no longer restricted of your physical computer boundaries. You'll become able to do your work, listen music and play video on any computer you reach. All your files and program will be with you anywhere.

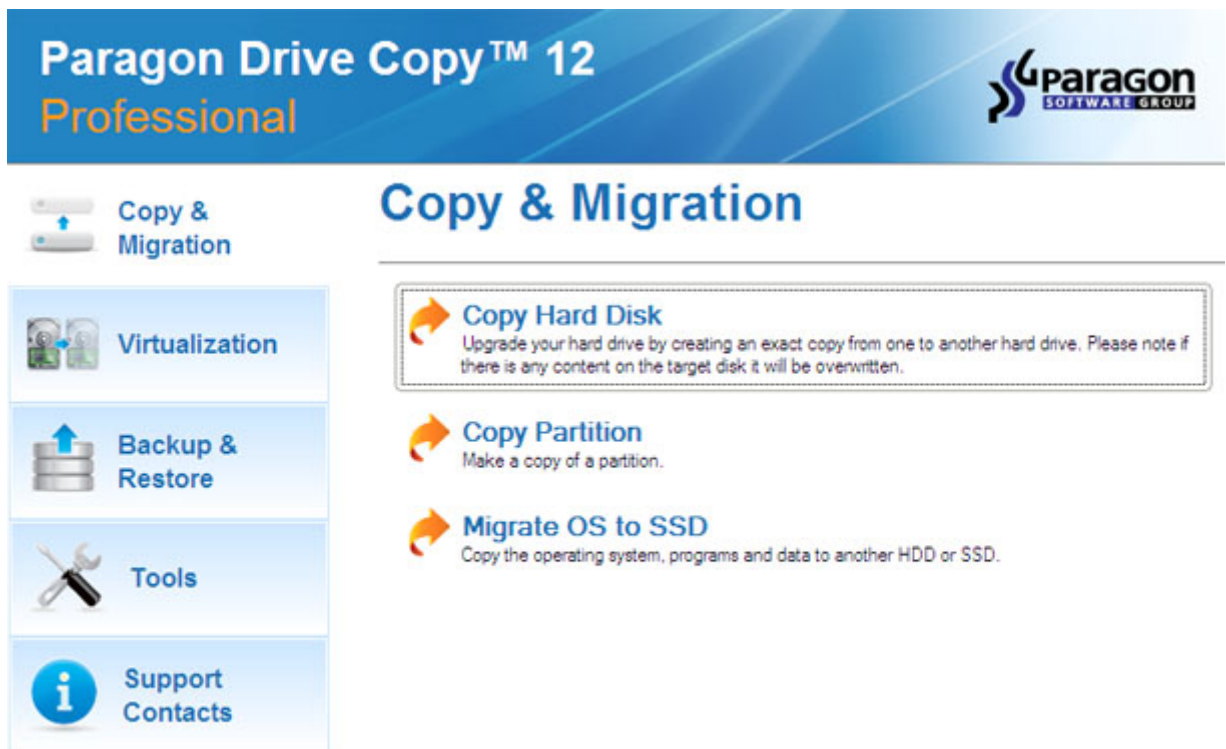
Let's see how to transfer your whole system to the removable media.

Creating a Virtual Machine

First of all you have to create an exact clone of your software environment with the operating system, programs and files. But before attach the removable media (a hard disk drive or a flash disk) where you want to save virtual disk file to.

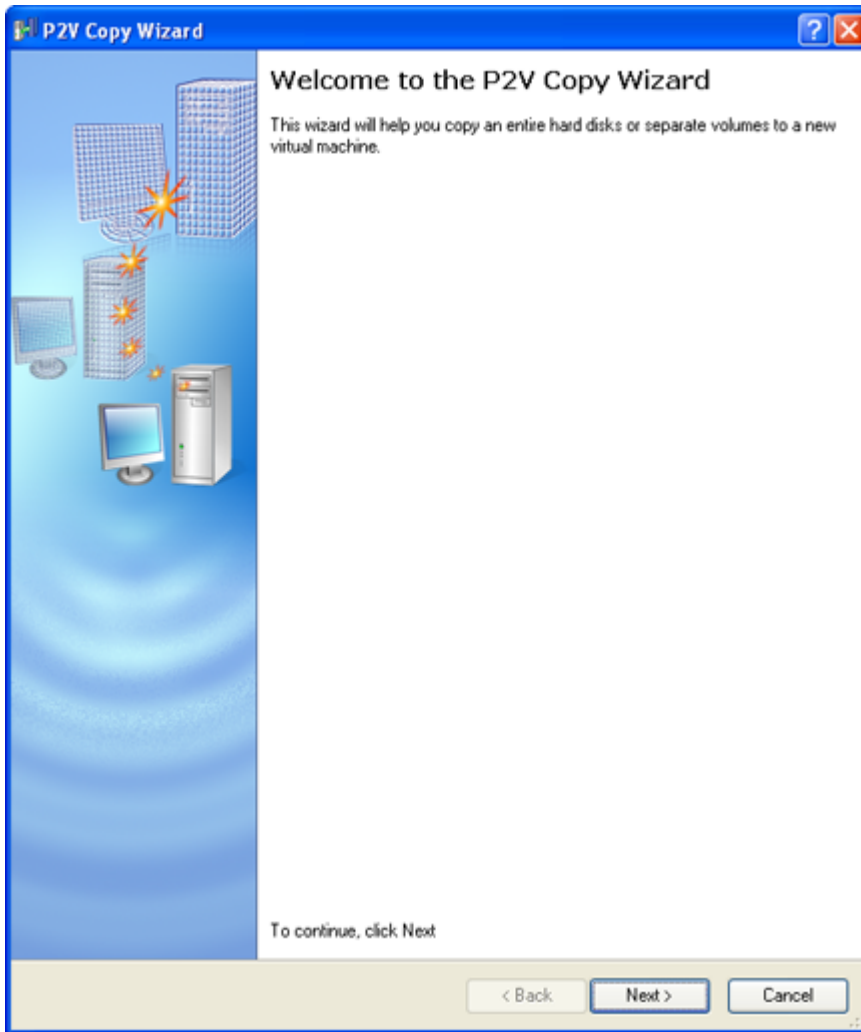
Step 1

Run Paragon Drive Copy 12 Professional



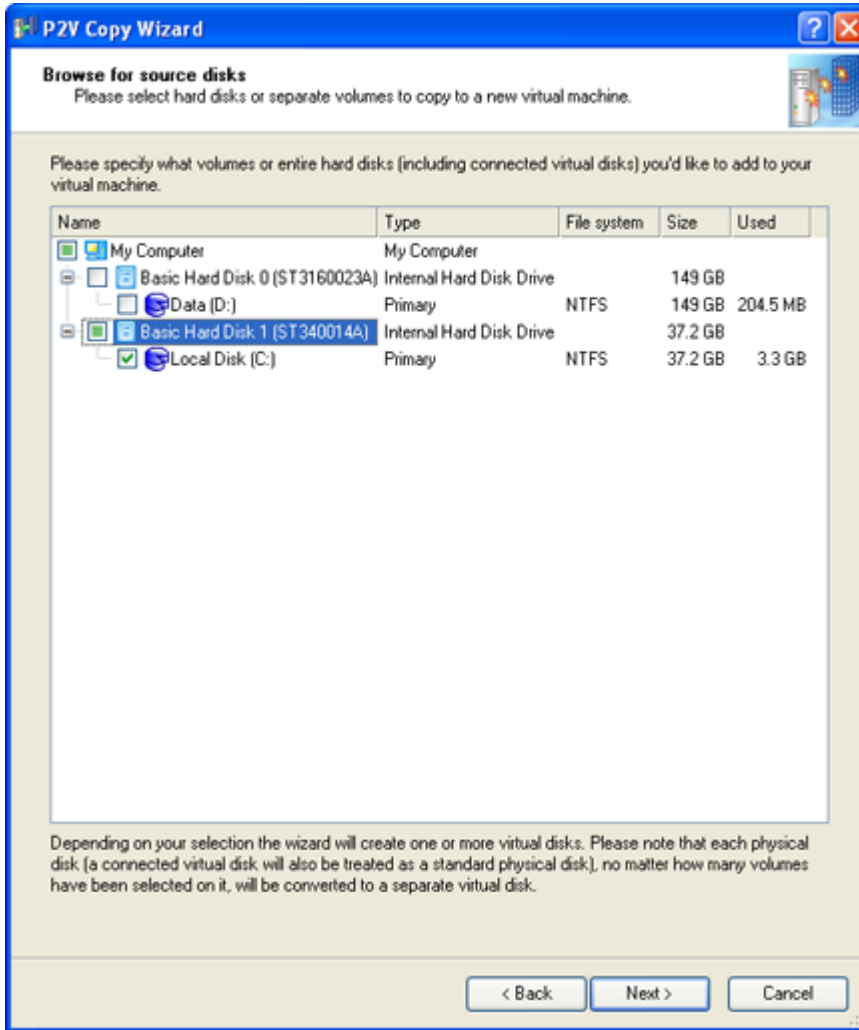
And select **Migrate Virtual Disk**

Step 2



The Wizard's welcome screen opens. Click **Next**.

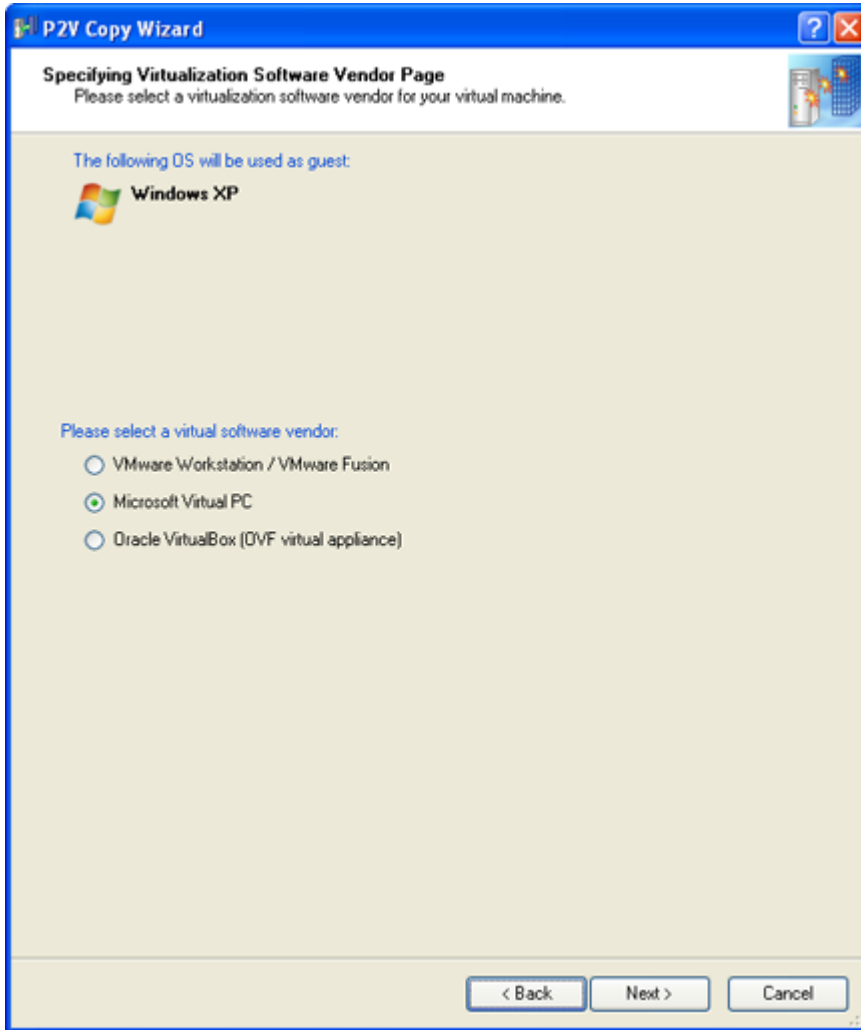
Step 3



On the next window select your physical hard disk drive, which contains partitions with OS and data. It's usually the first on the list but on the screenshot it is the second one. Click **Next**.



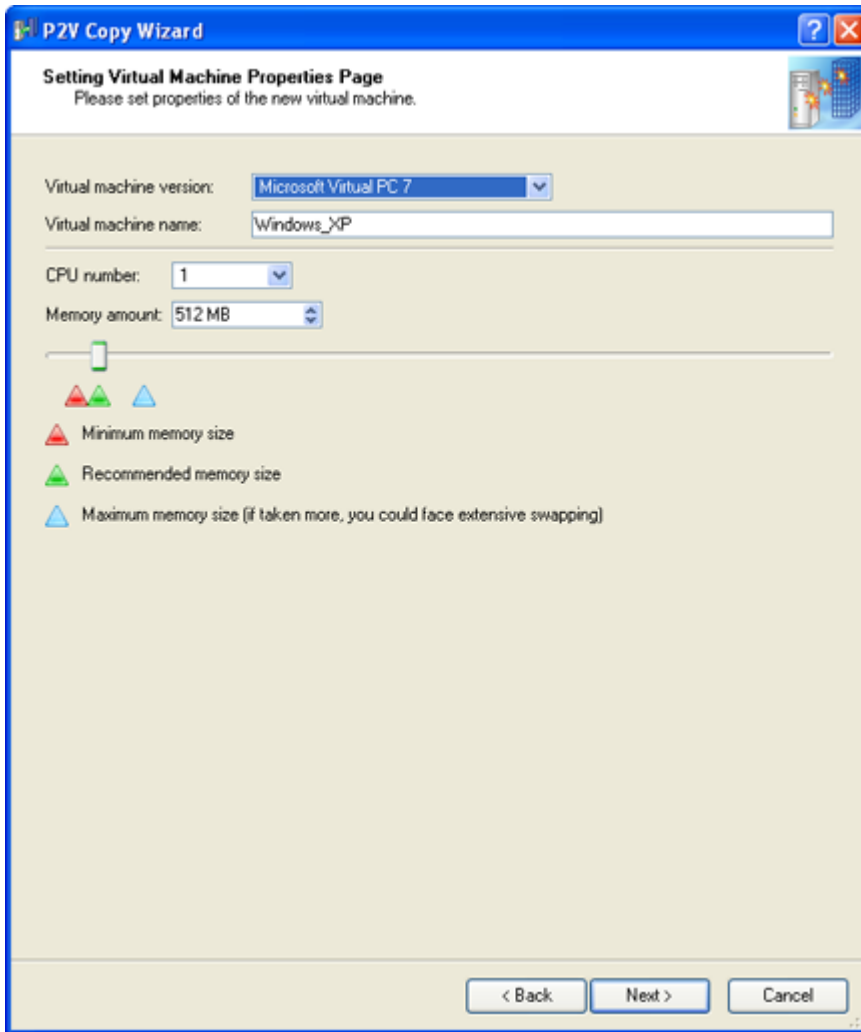
Step 4



Here you need to specify the virtual machine type (DC11 supports several virtual machine types).

Select **Microsoft Virtual PC**. Click **Next**.

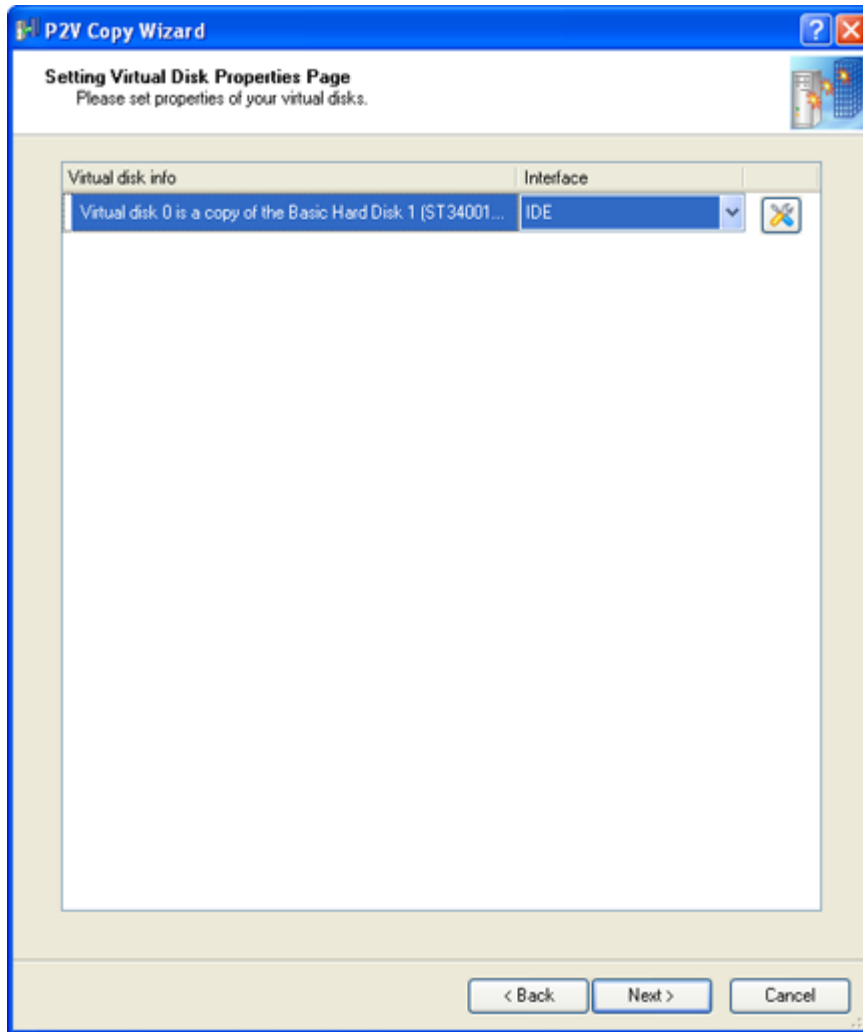
Step 5



On the next window specify a friendly name of the virtual machine and its version (Microsoft Virtual PC 7 for Windows 7 as a host). You can also change some virtual machine settings here. Click **Next**.



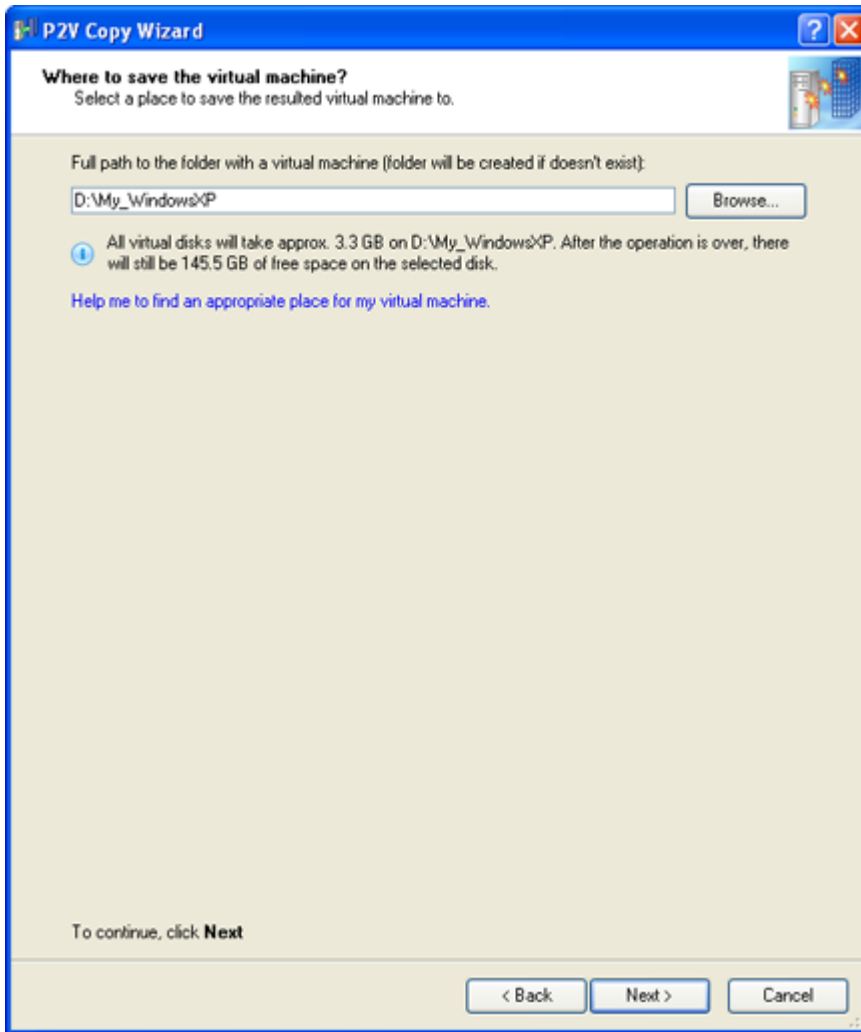
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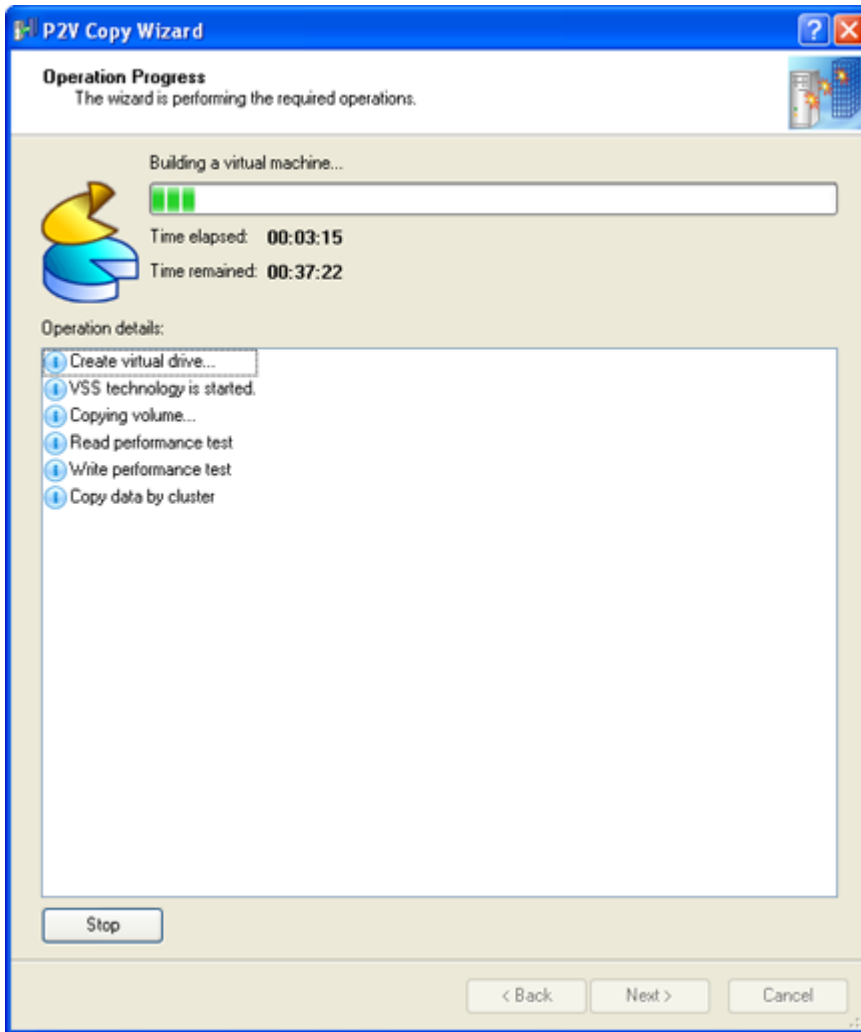
Here you can see and change virtual disk parameters. Usually the proposed parameters are the best.

So, if you agree with proposed parameters of the virtual disk click **Next**.

Step 7

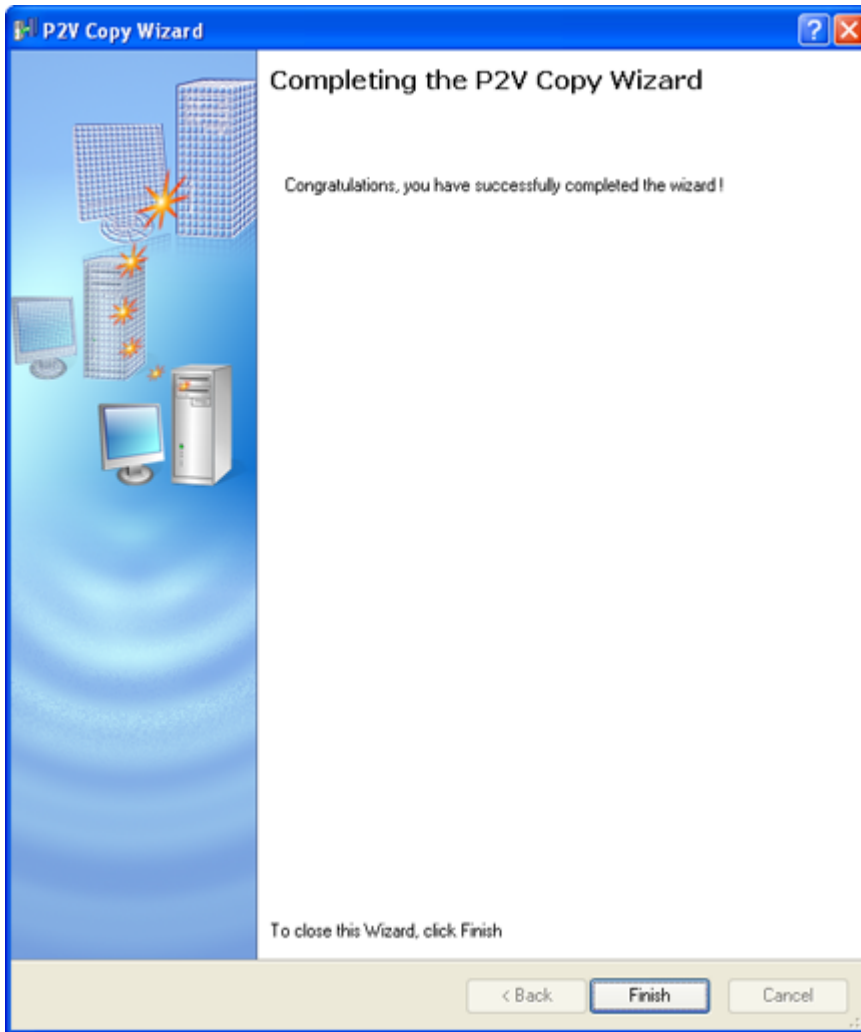


Select a place to save the resulted virtual machine (an external drive for example). Click **Next**.



The operation will be performed. It may be a time consuming task, depending on the amount of your actual data on the physical drive.

Step 9



Now you have a virtual machine with your system and the first part of the migration is over.

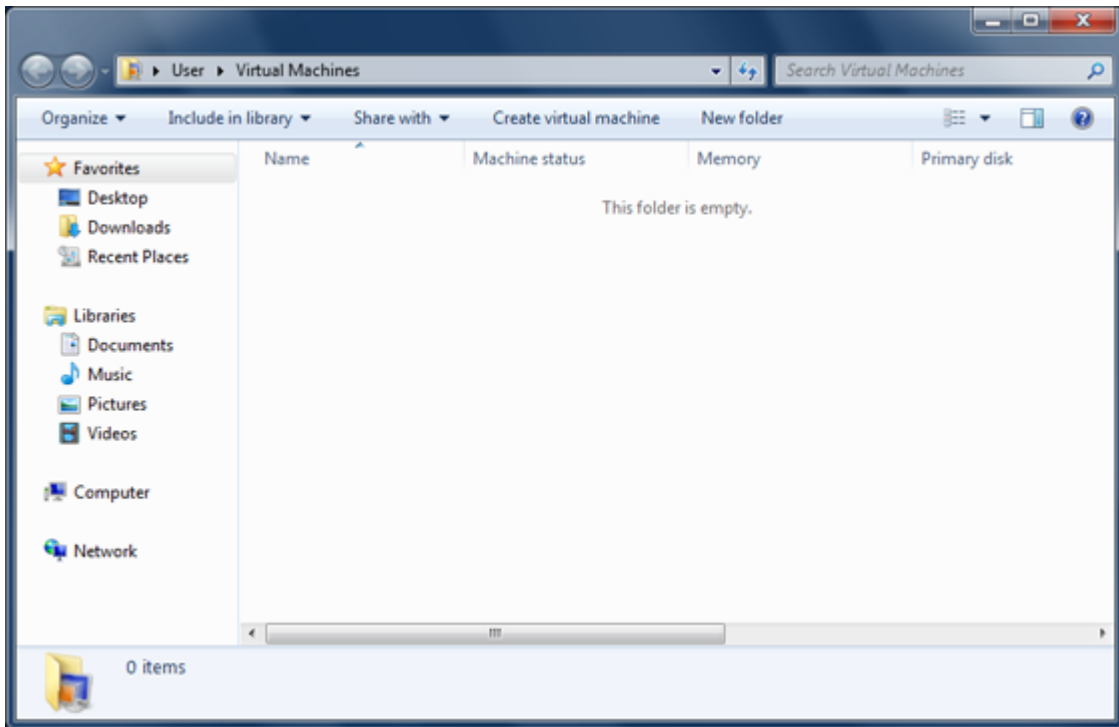
Running the Virtual Machine

Now you have the virtual machine, but don't have appropriate software to run it. You have to install one and we can suggest using Microsoft Windows Virtual PC, for this purpose.

You can download the Virtual PC installation package from its [page on the Microsoft website](#).

Step 10

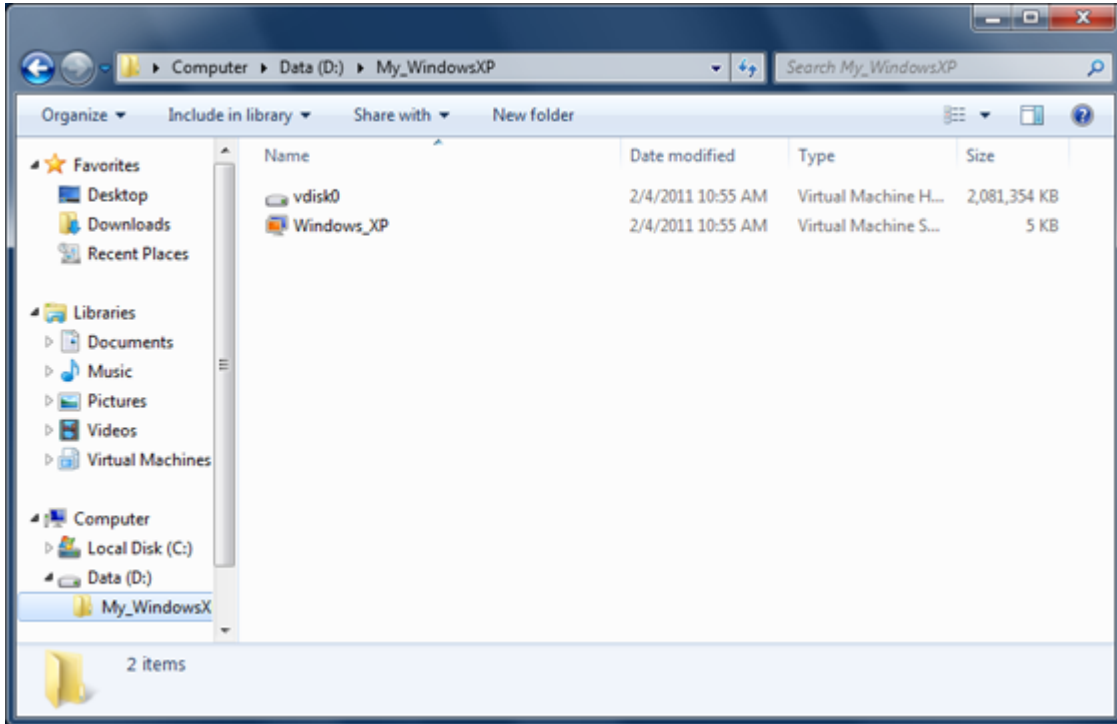
Install Virtual PC and launch.



Navigate to the external drive where the previously created virtual machine is stored.

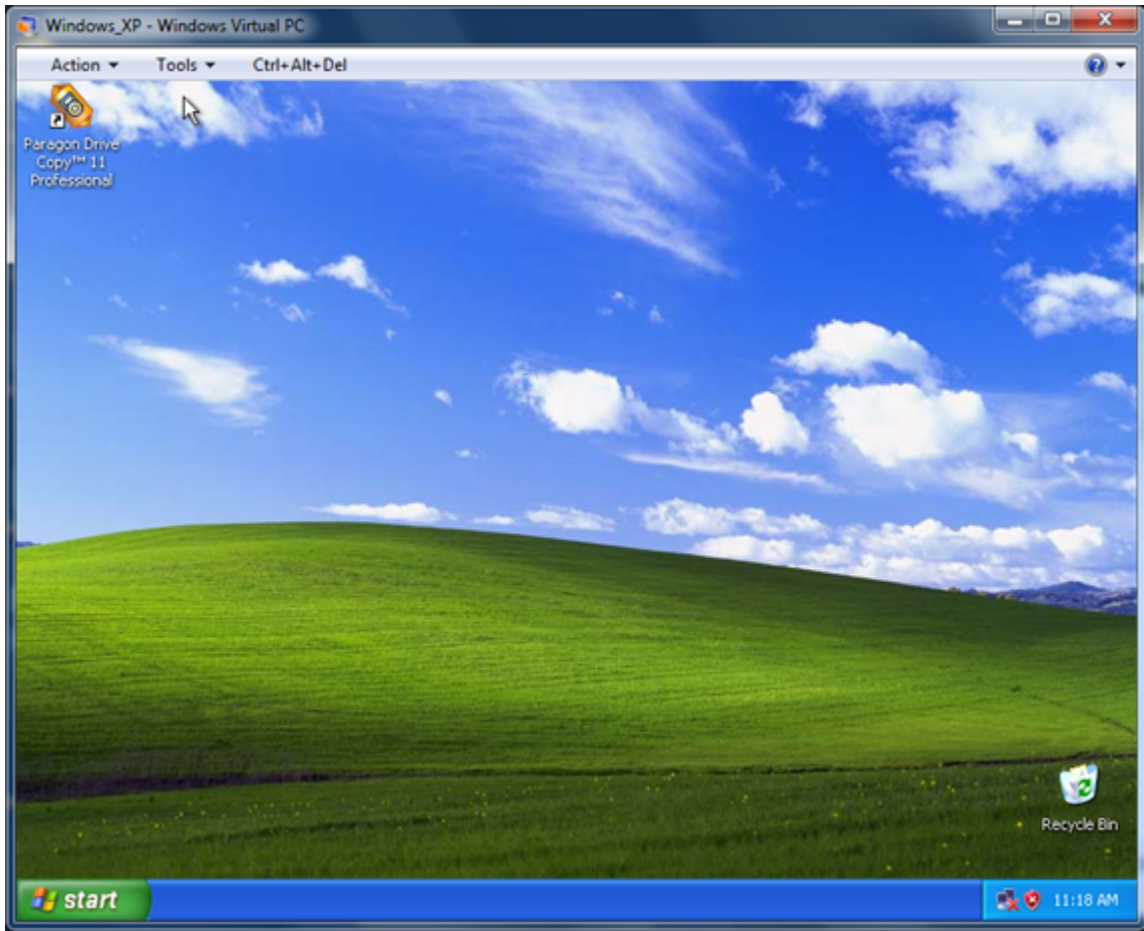
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Step 11



On the next window select the virtual machine and click the **Open** button.

Final step



Your virtualized system will be launched immediately.



Conclusion and an additional advice

To run your virtual system you need the Windows Virtual PC present in the hosting system. We recommend you to copy Virtual PC installation package (one or several, depending on the type of hosting OS) to the removable media alongside with the virtual machine and disk. Thus, you'll be able to install Virtual PC anywhere where you have such possibility.

