

# Re: VMPlayer installation problems

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Bill Thompson wrote:

On Tue, 31 Jan 2006 13:03:51 -0800  
Marc Shapiro <mshapiro\_42@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

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I am trying to install the vmplayer. I DL'd the tarball from the
vmware site and untarred it into my home directory. I then ran the
install script which seemed to work fine until it needed to find a
suitable vmmon...
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<SNIP>

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Your kernel was built with "gcc" version "3.3.4",
while you are
trying to use
"/usr/bin/gcc-3.3" version "3.3.5". This
configuration is not recommended and
VMware Player may crash if you'll continue. Please
try to use exactly
same compiler as one used for building your kernel.
Do you want to go
with compiler
"/usr/bin/gcc-3.3" version "3.3.5" anyway? [no]
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<SNIP>

I am running a debian stock kernel-images-2.6.7-2-k7 under Sarge.

Has anyone gotten vmplayer to install under Sarge?  
Using stock vmware modules?

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Using a stock debian kernel?  
Which kernel?

I am running VMware on Sid at the moment, but I have installed and run it on Sarge in the past.

The difference between GCC 3.3.4 and 3.3.5 is minor enough that you should be able to compile the needed module. Make sure you have kernel-headers-2.6.7-2-k7 installed. When that error warning comes up during the install type yes instead of the default no.

Note that this would not be the case if your kernel was compiled with GCC 3.3.4 and you were trying to use GCC 4.0.3 to compile the module.

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mns@xander:/usr/local/bin$ sudo apt-get -u install kernel-headers-2.6.7-2-k7
Reading Package Lists... Done
Building Dependency Tree... Done
E: Couldn't find package kernel-headers-2.6.7-2-k7
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The headers do not appear to be available in Sarge anymore. Do I need to upgrade to 2.6.8 and use the matching headers? I generally try not to change kernels unless there is a really good reason to do so. If I can find the headers for 2.6.7-2-k7 anywhere then I would not need to install a new kernel. Any ideas, anyone?

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