

## Re: nvidia-driver with 2.6.18-4-486 kernel

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kruton wrote:

This is the usual age old problem of getting nvidia driver to work. My box (unstable) was running smoothly until I upgraded to KDE 3.5.6 using 'aptitude -t experimental'. In which process, I guess, the kernel also got upgraded from 2.6.18-3-486 to 2.6.18-4-486 a few days ago. At that time there was no nvidia-kernel-2.6.18-4-486 in the unstable repository. So, I tried the 'module-assistant' way:

```
$ apt-get --purge remove nvidia-glx
$ m-a prepare
$ m-a autoinstall nvidia
$ apt-get install nvidia-glx
$ dpkg-reconfigure xserver-xorg (and choose nvidia)
$ echo nvidia >> /etc/modules
[---- reboot ---]
```

It did not work. So, I shifted back to "nv" driver and waited for a while. Yesterday I checked that nvidia-kernel-2.6.18-4-486 was added to the unstable repository. So, I tried it again:

```
$ apt-get --purge remove nvidia-glx
$ apt-get install nvidia-kernel-$(uname -r)
$ apt-get install nvidia-glx
$ dpkg-reconfigure xserver-xorg (and choose nvidia)
[---- reboot ---]
```

Same error: (on startx)  
[EE] Failed to load module "nvidia" (module does not exist, 0)  
[EE] No deviecs found

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$ lsmod | grep nvidia
nvidia 4545108 0
agpgart 29360 1 nvidia
i2c_core 19472 3
nvidia,eeeprom,i2c_nforce2
```

What is missing???

Thanks  
kruton

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Why not download nvidia drivers from nvidia's website and run the install script? As long as you get the headers for the kernel it should create the module you need. Make sure X isn't running when you do it though.

Joe

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