

Re: fresh install for dual boot with winxp : grub hangs

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Subject: Re: fresh install for dual boot with winxp : grub hangs

> On Wed, 2004-06-30 at 02:15 -0700, Hans Horn wrote:

>> Dear all,

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>> I'm trying to install fedora2 on a HP AMD64 box with winxp factory-

>> installed.

>> I've got two disks, with xp installed on the first one.

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>> after the reboot following the fedora install on the 2nd disk, all I

>> get is: GRUB

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>> using 'linux rescue' I tried to modify grub.conf with no success.

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>> here's what fdisk tells me:

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>> fdisk /dev/hda

>> /dev/hda hda1 hp-recovery

>> hda2 NTFS (XP boot)

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>> fdisk /dev/hdd

>> /dev/hdd hdd1 swap

>> hda3 ext3 (Linux boot)

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> Did you mean hdd3? hdd2? What else is on hdd? Do you have /boot and /

> or is everything but swap on one partition.

hdd2 is an empty fat32 partition – dunno how it got to be.

I don't have a /boot partition

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>> *device.map* says:
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>> *hd0 /dev/hda*
>> *hd1 /dev/hdd*
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> *This seems to be a rather strange setup and may be confusing grub.*
> *Usually you would want your hard disk as the master on the controller*
> *rather than the slave, or better yet the only thing on the controller*
> *for performance reasons. What is on the slave for the first IDE*

master: hda
slave1: nothing
master2: dvd/cd
slave2: hdd

> *contoller and the master for the second? I'd try changing the hardware*
> *setup so the second disk is the master on the second controller, booting*
> *in rescue mode, and fixing /etc/fstab and /boot/grub/grub.conf to match.*
> *The BIOS hard disk mode may also be a factor.*

recommendations?

>> *has anybody got a glue how grub.conf is supposed to look like for grub*
>> *to work on my system.*
>
> *Would help to first see what you've got now. Where did you install*
> *grub, the MBR or the boot partition?*

the MBR!

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>> *right now I'm pretty much dead in the water – can't boot into any OS!*
>
> *I suspect it is recoverable, but you need to clarify and provide correct*
> *current grub.conf and disk/partition information.*

have to wait until I get home tonite!
thx a lot!

Hans

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> *Phil*

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