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On Wed, 2006-08-16 at 21:10 -0400, William W. Austin wrote:

I have a machine which was running FC4, and I installed FC5 on it.

Same disks (3 sata, 320GB/sata3 on promise card, and 2 240GB/sata1 on onboard sata (sata_sil driver; 1 160GB eide drive on on-board mb controller). Same other H/W, same computer. Nothing changes. (athlon 2500xp+, 2gb ram, scsi tape and scanner – no scsi drives on this box).

If I boot back to FC4, the problems go away – if I boot FC5, they occur.

I have searched both the list and bugzilla but I guess I have not done a great job because I found a few 'sorta' similar problems but not these two in particular – if I missed it and it is there, sorry to waste the bandwidth.

Problem 1: firefox CRAWLS. Mozilla, galeon, epiphany and konqueror ALL load web pages, images, etc. far faster. Time comparison for loading a local web page (fairly straightforward – text and jpeg images mixed – but rather large) takes under a second with any of the other browsers, and takes over 20 seconds with firefox. If I boot back to FC4 and run 1.0.8.1-1.fc4 it runs essentially the same speed as the other browsers. I collect astronomy images (primarily very large tiff images), and the download time delays are short with the other browsers (FC5) but often more than 15 seconds BEFORE the download starts with firefox. If I boot back to FC4, the problem goes away.

Problem 2: I cannot burn a dvd (typical command `cdrecord --dev=/dev/hdc -v -dao -data XYZ.iso`) without getting MANY underruns – about 13 on a DVD with 3GB of data on it. Boot back to FC4 and the problem goes away.

The ONLY major difference is that I went ahead and enabled selinux on the machine when installing FC5, whereas in FC4 I did not (I also have a dedicated firewall box which theoretically eliminates the need for selinux, but I wanted to try it).

So my question is, are these problems (a) known, or (b) peculiar to

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selinux, and/or (c) does anybody have a suggestion for a solution?

- Is your FC5 fully updated?
- Are you getting any avc messages in your /var/log/messages file or /var/log/audit/audit.log file (the former if not running auditd, the latter if running it)?

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