

Re: NetworkManager is driving me crazy

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On Sun, 2008-03-30 at 09:26 -0700, don vogt wrote:

I was just about to send in a message with pretty much this title, so I thought I might as well jump in here. I just finished installing fc8 from the livecd. I was using fc7, which I "yum upgraded" from fc4 to fc5 to fc6 to fc7 with minimal problems. I have been using Linux since slackware .8 (I believe. It came on 25 or so floppies that I downloaded over a 1200 baud modem) and I don't ever remember being so frustrated. I have NetworkManager running at start-up and NetworkManager-Dispatcher also. Why? I don't know. I am connected through a DSL modem and eth0, and dhcp which I previously managed with "system config network" for a couple of years without problems. I have no wireless. My initial problem was that eth0 was not activated on start-up, NetworkManager was starting eth0 and then taking it down, according to /var/log/messages. According to what I read about NetworkManager, it's first task is to keep wired connections up. I tried I tried to RTFM and found no useful information, I tried google, and found no useful information I tried the FC wiki, and found no useful information. I tried to see the NetworkManager-info that the docs mentioned and found out I don't have that. Finally, by doing a "rpm -ql NetworkManager I found some "nm" scripts to get it configured. I still had problems so I tried to "yum remove NetworkManager and dispatcher" and it, for dependency, removed pidgin, which I want to message with my daughter. I used pidgin in fc7 without NetworkManager very easily. So I tried "yum install pidgin. Lo and behold it also installed NetworkManager. Now I have NetworkManager installed and running. As a paranoid procedure, I usually disable eth0 when I am not using the computer for a while and then turn it on when I come back. Now, when I turn it on I get a segfault in system-config-network

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"Determining IP information for eth0 ..  
/network-functions line 313 segmentation fault iplink  
set dev $/up> dev/null 2&1"
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Sorry if I shouldn't have used this title. I just needed to vent a little (a lot?) I am not quite sure what to do next, remove NetworkManager (Gosh, I get tired of typing that) somehow without removing pidgin,

get a new IM program? (I hate to do that because configuring pidgin was problematic for me.) Set Network Manager to not run as a service, turn off the modem when I leave?

I am probably doing something dumb, it tends to come with age, but I would appreciate any suggestions.

If you have no wireless forget about NM and just run network.

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"The wages of sin are death; but after they're done taking out taxes,
it's just a tired feeling:"
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