

Re: F9 install : can't get X to work

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On Mon, 16 Jun 2008 19:27:19 -0700, Craig White wrote:

On Tue, 2008-06-17 at 02:15 +0000, Beartooth wrote:

I have a problem with installing F9, which I think can't be hardware.

I'm trying to shift my #1 machine over from Fedora 8 to Fedora 9.

I got it out from behind the KVM switch, and did the install with direct connections to the peripherals, so that it could negotiate with them any way it needed. This worked fine with my #2.

#1, after what seemed a normal upgrade, however, is so far off that I just get a brief little box on the monitor saying "Input signal out of range. Change settings to 1680x1050 - 60 Hz" (which I think comes from the monitor).

With RIPLinux, I can edit what seems to be the machine's own /etc/X11/xorg.conf (not RIPLinux's -- I hope and believe). I've tried that a couple ways, trying to clone what #2 (running F9) and #3 (running F8) have -- the hard way, from behind the KVM switch.

I would much rather ssh into #1, or simply scp a config file over. But, although RIPLinux will make #1 connect to the router, it then refuses ssh and scp from the rest of the LAN.

Nor have I yet managed to get it to boot from its own hard drive into init3. I can hit "I" for the interactive boot, but no matter how fast I type init3, it still goes to that promptless demand from the monitor.

With RIPLinux, if it gets to its useless, promptless display, I can hit Ctrl-Alt-Backspace to get a root prompt; but with the machine booted from the hard drive, that fails.

#1 machine did fine with this monitor (an HP w2207h), twice,

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running F8 both times; so do #2 and #3, albeit without actually using 1680x1050. (They think it's 1280x1024, and one of them uses 1440x900 under that (!), but it's close enough for the monitor itself to accommodate the difference by stretching.

edit the grub boot (press 'e') and then edit the 'kernel' line by adding '3' at the end to boot in runlevel 3

Aha! no init. Worked fine; many thanks! I added the 3 in /etc/grub.conf, to make sure I don't forget.

I would probably recommend that you simply run 'system-config-display --reconfig