

Re: Idle thoughts or question re: dual booting and grub default !?

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If you're really doing so much switching, I suggest you look at virtualization, so you can stop the rebooting madness.

Dave

On Mon, Aug 11, 2008 at 7:10 AM, William Case <billlinux@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Hi;

I have a dual boot system WindowsXP on /dev/sda; Fedora on /dev/sdb.

Some days I find myself switching between the two quite often. I can also go weeks with no need of Windows.

I am not sure if what I propose is possible, but ...

I would like to create a script in Fedora, and a .bat in Windows that changes the default in grub when selected. I would have a desktop launcher in both systems to be used for restarting. The algorithm would be something like what follows:

1. set grub default to other OS
2. restart

Since re-booting takes a bit of time (particularly in WindowsXP), I could simply click my 'restart in other OS' icon and walk away for a fresh coffee or to make a phone call without having to catch the grub selection screen. The normal shutdown and restart would remain the same.

Setting up a virtual machine is a solution but for much later for me.

I am looking for pointers or suggestions; tips and tricks; on how these scripts and batch files might be written; or even if they are possible at all.

I will take on the actual writing of them as a personal challenge.

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Regards Bill;
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