

Re: [SLE] 9.1 is sloooooowwww

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On Mon, 2004-06-28 at 22:40, Michael James wrote:

> On Tue, 29 Jun 2004 01:11 am, Sid Boyce wrote:

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>> *The 2.6 kernel seems to be getting a bad reputation, root of all ills*
>> *etc., I've been using from 2.6.0-pre kernels onwards on SuSE 9.0 and now*
>> *9.1, it's OK and much faster than 2.4.x for many of the reasons detailed*
>> *in several articles and it will be the reason why many enterprises*
>> *switch to Linux. I must see if I can find some benchmarks on google.*
>> *Whatever the cause, it's not likely to be the kernel unless SuSE did*
>> *something stupid, if they did, I've not noticed a slowdown.*

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> *I played with the 2.6 kernel under 9.0 and it seemed faster,*
> *quicker to boot and more responsive.*

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> *Module hassles drove me back to 2.4*
> *but I couldn't wait for the non-experimental release in 9.1.*

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> *Something might be mis-configured, but so far 9.1 is terrible.*

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> *Fresh vanilla install P4 2.4 Gig 1 Gig ram, nvidia 440 using nv driver.*

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> *Applications take forever to launch,*
> *it can take Kmail 20 seconds to get to the next mail message*
> *the system can lock up solid (mouse can't move cursor) for 5 minutes*
> *then come good!*

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> *I see swapd up high in top and I've got a gig of ram?*

> *The normal raft of apps run about 400 Meg:*

> *Kmail (I'm sus of that one)*

> *Firefox*

> *20 Konsoles (on 10 desktops)*

> *xmms a luxury*

> *sometimes vmware dangerous*

> *Grip fatal*

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> *Yes it's a lot but 9.0 (and 8.2 and 8.1) did it OK.*

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- > *If I rip some CDs using Grip and encode it with flac*
- > *I'll be pulling the plug before the 3rd CD.*
- > *Running System Monitor (SuSE:System:More Programs:Memory Monitor)*
- > *shows no sign of a memory leak but inexplicable swapping.*
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- > *I see X taking a lot of resources, so I'll try dropping resolution from 24 to 16.*
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- > *9.1 will get there eventually but right now,*
- > *it's running with diagnostics on every desktop.*
- > *Once it's "in the zone" it won't redraw.*
- >
- > *And I'm watching the trace on System Monitor*
- > *as if it were a relative on life support.*
- >

IMHO you have done something wrong. I get better performance on a PII 350 with 256mb. Look into the IPv6 thread. BTW how large is your swap partition?

Check your fstab. I removed the subfs experiment from both of my machines.

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