

[SLE] Installation of SuSE 9.2 stops

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Hi All!

This weekend I decided to re-install my machine with my recently purchased copy of SuSE 9.2. During boot, it would stop at the hardware check unless I started the the "safe" boot. The installation process goes so far as to format the partitions and when it gets to the point of actually installing the software it seems to stop. What I get appears to be the installation screens, but both panels are empty. All I have is the clock on the screen. I can move it around with the mouse and click the "details" button, which does "something", but I have nothing on the screen.

I can switch virtual screens and get to a shell prompt. Here, I can run top or ps and it appears as if the processes exist, but they do not appear to be doing anything. For example, in top, the two top processes are always X and swapper. None of the installation processes (yast2) seem to be doing anything. Also, I run df regularly and the disk usage doesn't change. All this leads me to believe that the installation is doing nothing. Looking at the messages on other console screens, I do not see anything that indicate a problem (as far as I can tell).

Since the installation didn't work, I pulled out my copy of SuSE 9.0 and re-installed that, without a problem. So, my assumption is that this isn't a hardware problem, per se. Maybe the media is defective????

So, I was wondering if anyone had similar experiences or has an idea of how to increase the amount of information is displayed. I am grateful for any and all help.

Regards,

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