

Re: Yast Online Update

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Wayne Stallwood wrote:

>nikoli wrote:

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>>I've been trying to set up Linux on my machine for a while now and I
>>keep having this same problem.

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>>I'll get my system up and running just how I like it with a fresh
>>install of Suse 8.1 pro. I set up the nvidia drivers and get the intelli
>>wheel mouse working and Mozilla configured... on and on and on.

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>>But as soon as I do an update with Yast, I encounter problems. A couple
>>symptoms always occur. After a reboot my monitor is out of scan range
>>and I can't accept an IP. It's a huge pain because I have no graphics
>>and no internet connection.

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>>I've tried several different configurations and several different update
>>methods. All with very similar results. At the moment it's easier for me
>>to just reload the OS than to figure out what went wrong. But obviously
>>this is no real solution. Why can't I update without these problems
>>occurring?

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>How are you updating the Nvidia drivers, Are you downloading them from
>Nvidia's site. The new nvidia installer does not play nicely with yast and
>can cause problems.

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>The "proper" way with SuSE is to install the nvidia drivers using yast
>update (or install the SuSE nvidia rpm's manually). You can do the manual
>package selection from yast update and deselect the nvidia updates, but if
>you don't do this each time yast is run it will think that you are still
>running with the placeholder drivers and try to update them.

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>This will conflict with the already manually installed drivers as Yast is
>only aware of rpm packages installed on the system, not on ones installed

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>from source or via some custom installation tool (like the nvidia drivers)

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>As to the no IP thing, can you be more specific. What sort of connection do

>you have, does your machine vanish from a home network after you run Yast.

>Do you run the SuSE firewall and if so have you checked /var/log/messages

>to see if the firewall is dropping packets.

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>Regards

>Wayne

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Thank you for your response Wayne. The nvidia drivers were installed manually from the ftp site. When I update with Yast, I do NOT select the nvidia package. But each time I install the updates, I get prompted that I will have to reinstall the drivers. Is there something that I'm missing? Am I not unchecking something?

As for my internet connection, I have a cable connection. My modem is plugged into a dlink router via ethernet as is my NIC. My router is set to only give the IP of 192.168.0.2 to my NIC. If I am running the SuSE firewall, I am not aware of it. One thing I've noticed about the Yast update is that one of the security patches listed is a DHCP patch. I haven't tried deselecting this patch yet, so I wouldn't doubt if that has something to do with it.

Once again, thank you very much for your response. I would love to get to the bottom of this. But in the mean time, I don't mind reinstalling Suse completely because it lets me get more familiar with Linux itself.

–nikoli