

Re: suse 9.2 professional video install problem

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me wrote:

> same issue here...tried to install on hp vectra vl400 and lines moving
> across the screen when trying to load gui install; other options (safe
> mode, etc) don't make a difference. also tried it on a new dell
> optiplex p4 2.8 and complains x can't load but text install goes fine.
> tries to run x and video goes off. pressing power button brings video
> back in text for shutdown process. had no problem with installing red
> hat 9 but suse 9.2 just isn't working well.
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> David Wright <david_c_wright@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:<[cnpi31\\$mcn\\$00\\$3@news.t-online.com](mailto:cnpi31mcn00$3@news.t-online.com)>...
>> Billy Radio wrote:
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>> > 9.2 prof installs just fine on an older compaq 400 mhz, when I try a
>> > clean install on either of my 2 hp vectra vli8's shortly into the
>> > install process the video display becomes a bunch of flashing lines
>> > with no display. Swapped out monitor same deal. Same on both vectras.
>> > The odd thing is 9.1 installs perfectly. Any ideas on what I can do
>> > here?
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>> Sounds like the Vectra's video card isn't being recognised, the symptoms
>> you describe sound like a video card problem not a monitor problem,
>> although it could be setting a scan rate the monitor doesn't support
>> (unlikey I would have thought, it should use VESA modes during set-up I
>> think).
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>> What video card do you have? I know HP used to have a habit of building
>> their own, slightly non-standard cards, but I guess in recent years they
>> should be using off-the-shelf components.
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>> When booting into the Grub menu on the CD/DVD, try selecting either text
>> mode or a lower graphics resolution, this should get you as far as
>> specifying the graphics card and monitor correctly.
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>> Dave

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Try dropping back to a text-mode install, then specifying the video card and monitor before trying to load X. It sounds like the settings the card and monitor support aren't being read correctly and the scan rate is too high.

I must admit, I haven't done a SuSE install to a machine that doesn't have a TFT display, and it always seem to default to 60Hz, so I haven't seen any problems. Also, apart from the laptops SiS chipset, all the machines have had nVidia GeForce 4 or FX series cards.

Dave