

# Re: System Suddenly Not Booting Properly

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On Sun, 12 Nov 2006 11:39:36 -0600, Marshall Lake wrote:

I'm running SuSE 10.0 on a system which I use everyday. A couple of days ago I attempted to install additional RAM into this computer. The additional RAM didn't work so I disinstalled it. Over the years I've changed and added things to the insides of various computers so I'm somewhat familiar with the process.

Since the RAM installation adventure the system doesn't boot properly. I would have thought that I possibly dislodged something during the process, however the system boots fine into Windows and everything works like it should.

Are there any hardware glitches being caused by bad connections. The odd behaviour could be explained by having parts of your Linux distribution installed on more than one drive. For example, your system boots Windows and loads the "/boot" partition for Suse, because the physical hard drive where it is installed is working correctly. Check that all other drives are not disconnected in some way. BTW, does "sde" seem to be a reasonable assignment for your system?

Are you using SCSI or SATA drives? The new SATA style connectors "snap" into place, IIRC. SCSI use the older wide ribbon cables.

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