



iSCSI Boot SLES 10 SP3

Software-Based iSCSI Boot
For SLES 10 on IBM System x Servers

Note

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1 SLES 10 SP3

This document provides a general description of an example iSCSI SAN install. For additional information consult the appropriate operating system documentation.

1.1 Prerequisites

Refer to the [SAN Guide](#) and follow the preparation procedures including applying all applicable updates and configuration of your SAN. The San Guide is located via the following link:

<http://www-03.ibm.com/servers/eserver/bladecenter/storage/iscsi.html>

Before continuing the following steps need to be completed:

1. Confirm the Server supports iSCSI Boot
2. Perform the Update steps
3. Configure and test an example SAN
4. Create a blank LUN to receive the OS installation
5. Configure the Server to login to the blank LUN

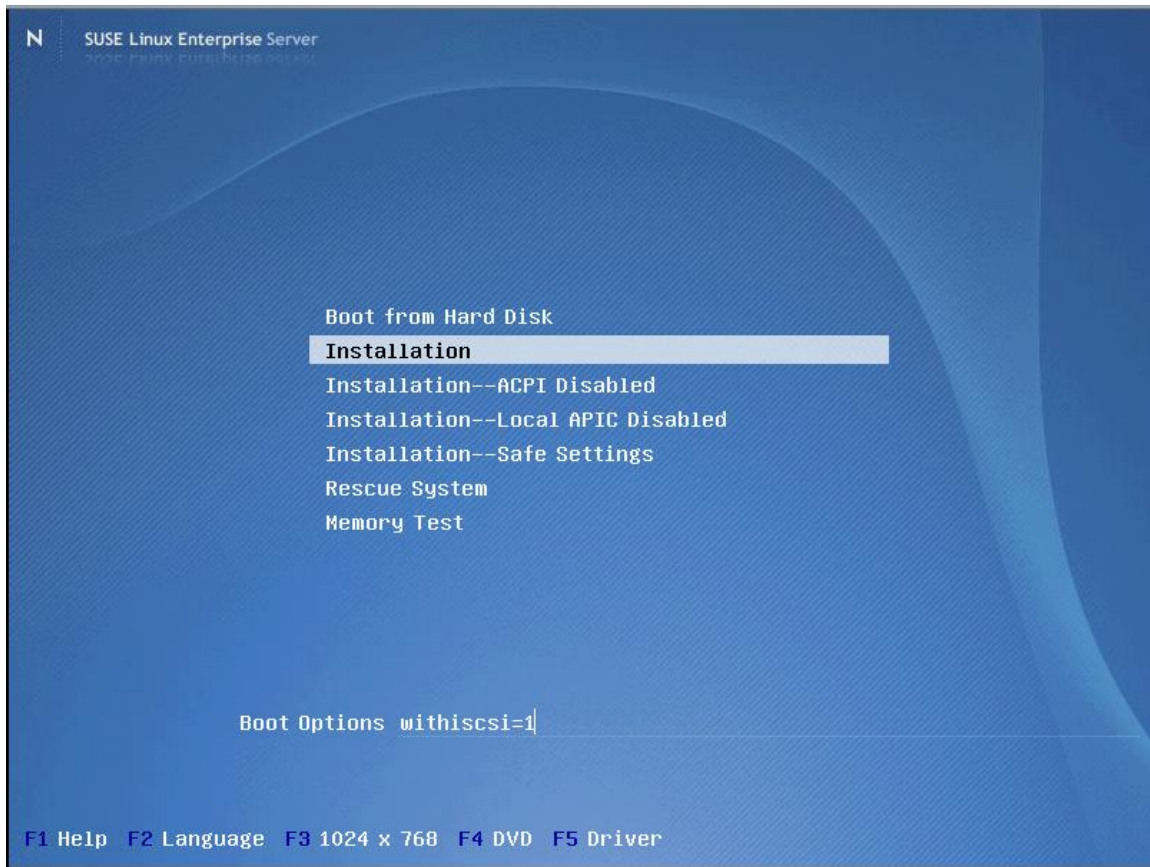
1.2 Install SLES 10 SP3

The list of possible consoles used to install SLES 10 includes a local console or “Remote Console” via the web interface of the Management Module (MM). Use of the Remote Console will require selecting a video mode compatible with the Remote Console. See the Help (ie “?” link) on the MM Remote Console web page.

1.2.1 Installation Settings

Start the installation as follows:

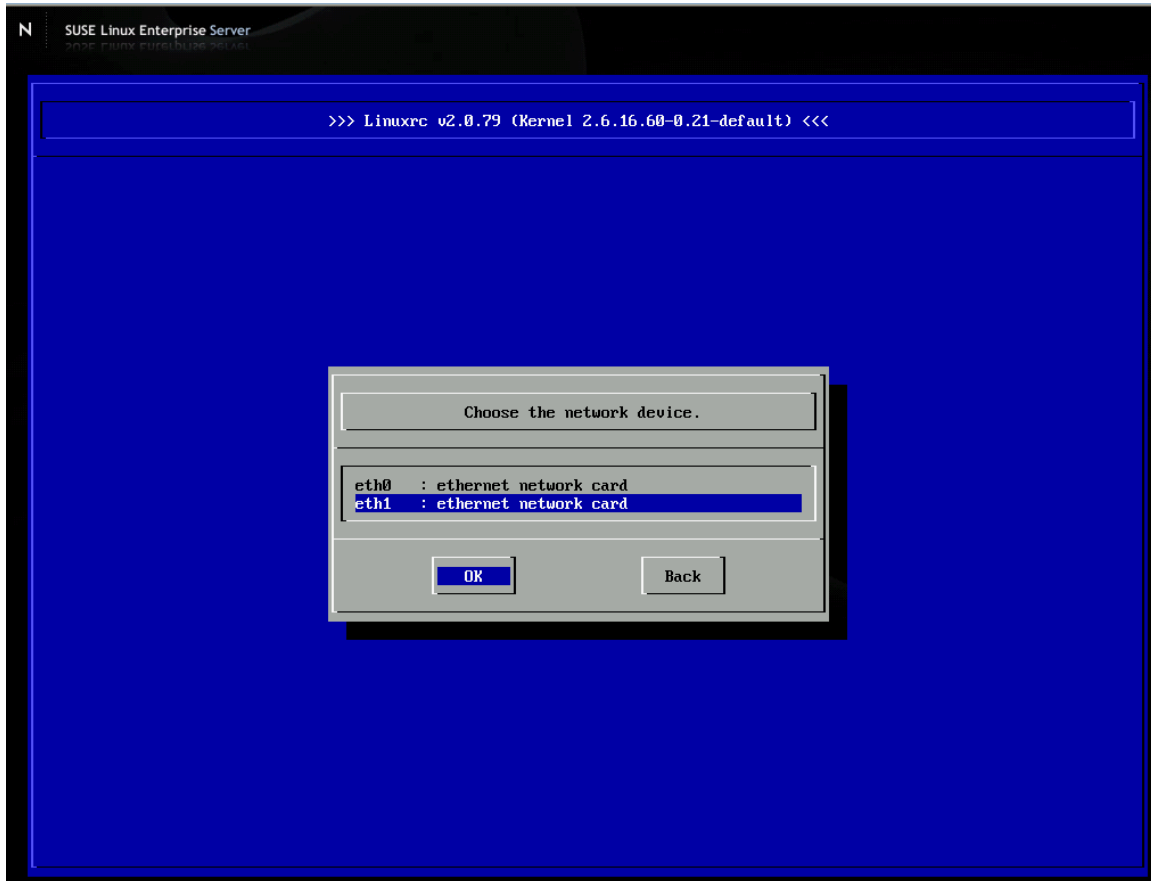
1. Boot the SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 10 SP3 DVD (or CD 1).
2. Press F3 and select 1024x768
3. For an iSCSI Boot installation, select Installation and enter *withiscsi=1* at the Boot Options prompt.
4. Press Enter.



1.2.2 Network

1.2.2.1 Network Device

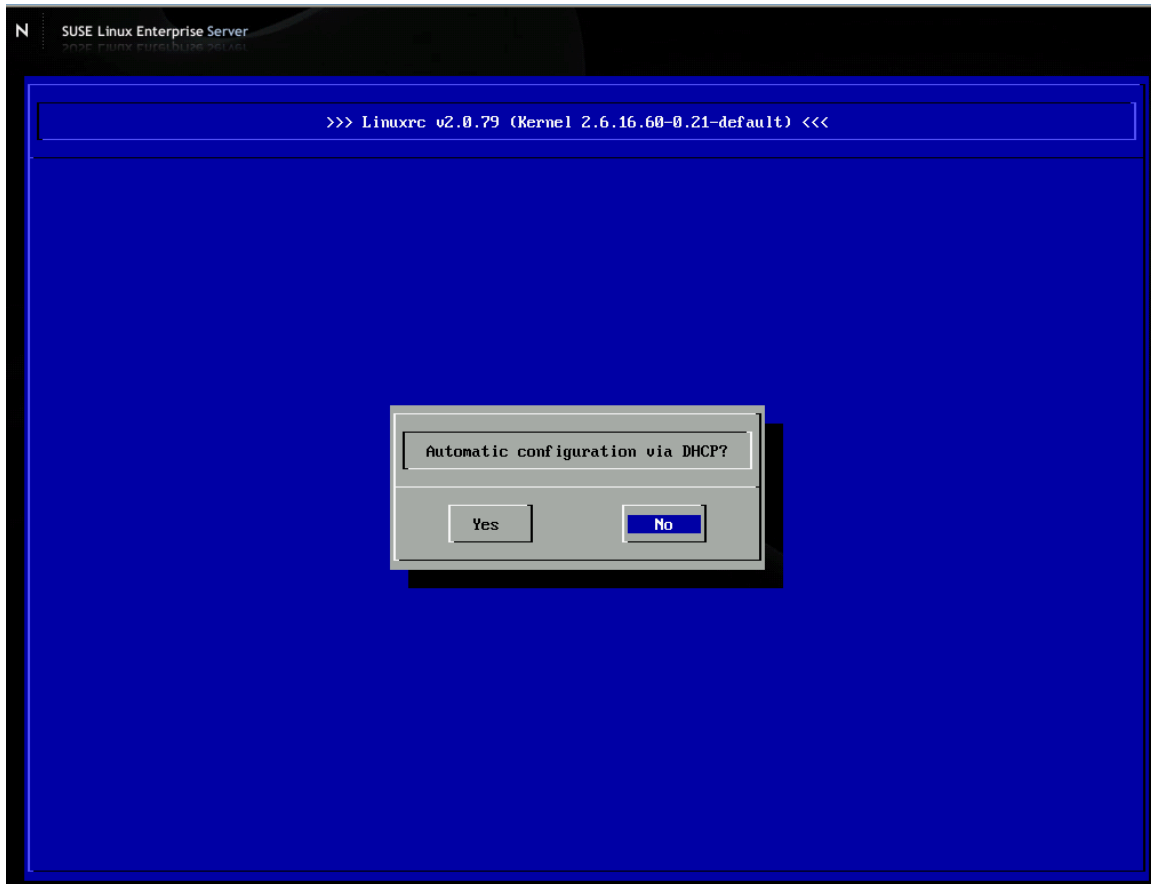
Select the device connected to the iSCSI SAN.



Select OK.

1.2.2.2 Network Configuration

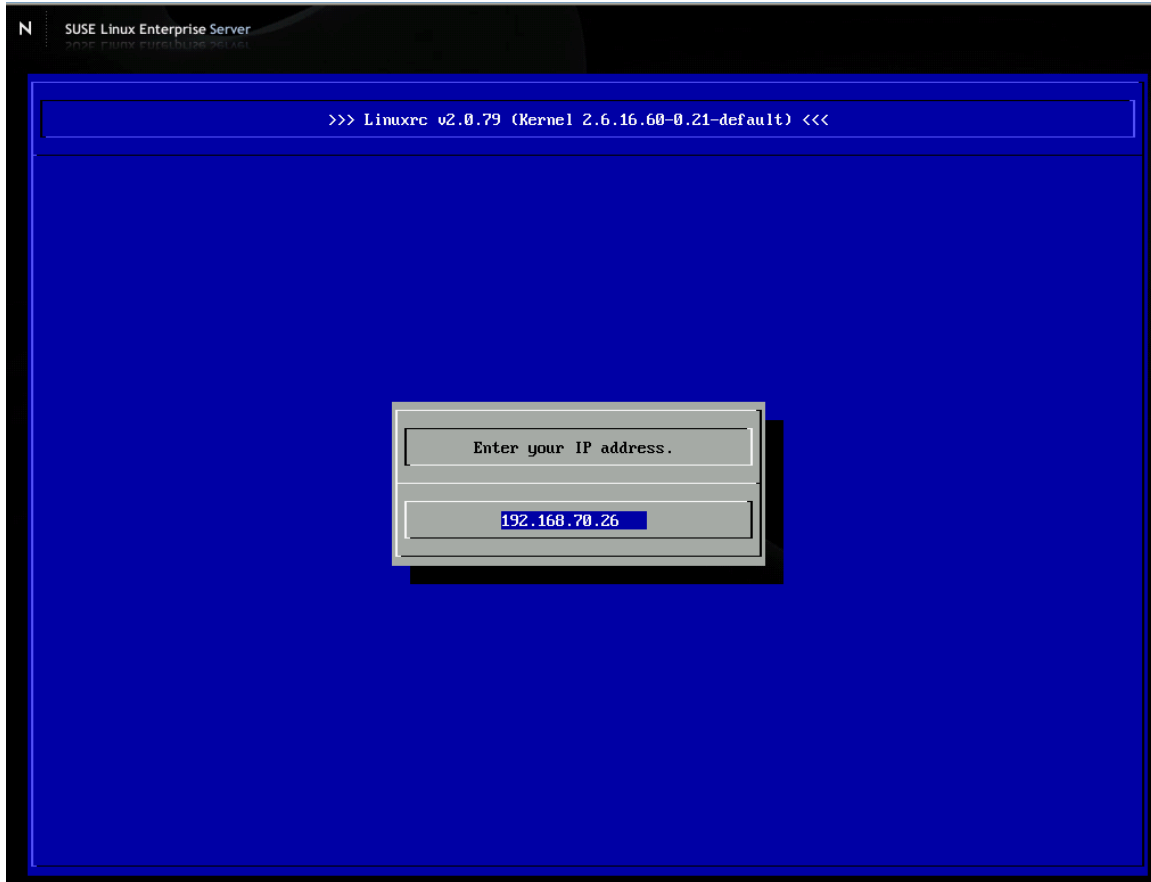
At the “Automatic configuration via DHCP” prompt make a selection based on your network infrastructure.



In this example click No.

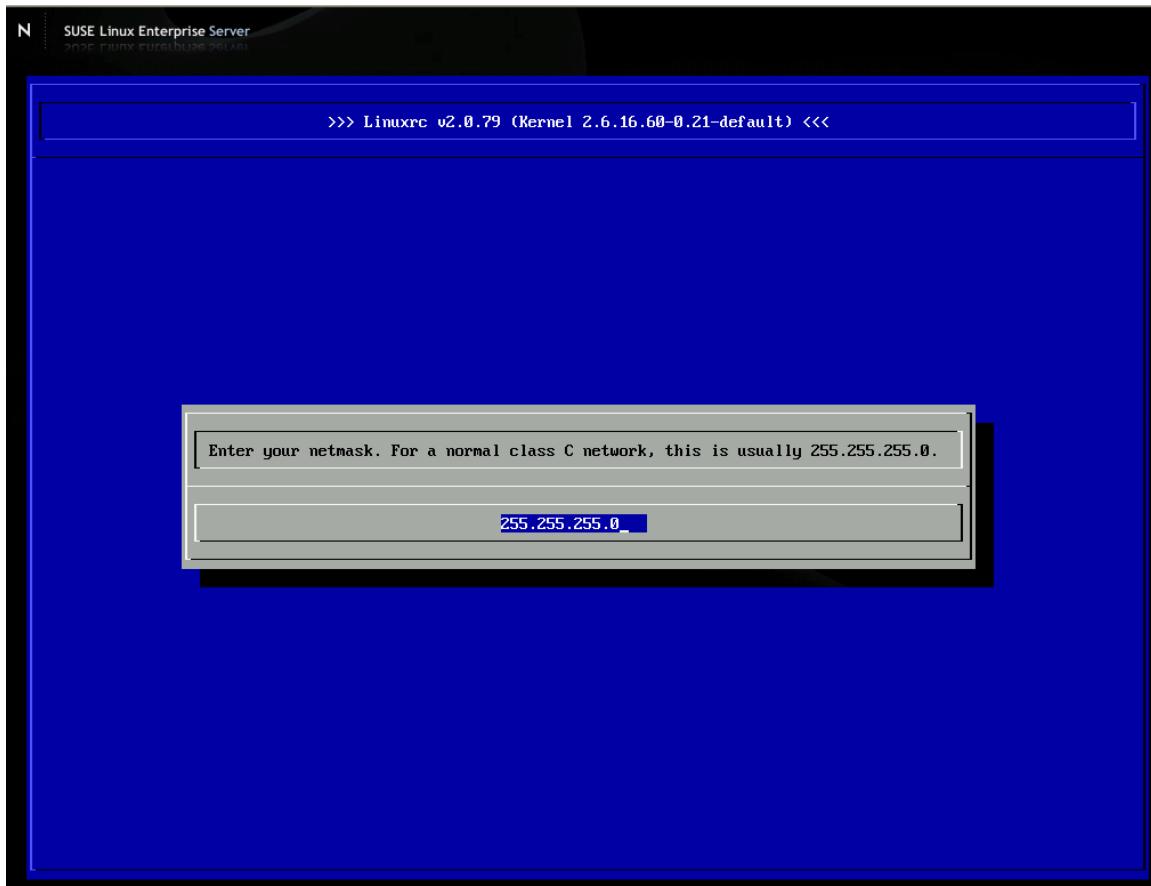
1.2.2.3 Enter IP Address

If you selected “No” to DHCP you will be prompted to enter your networking information.



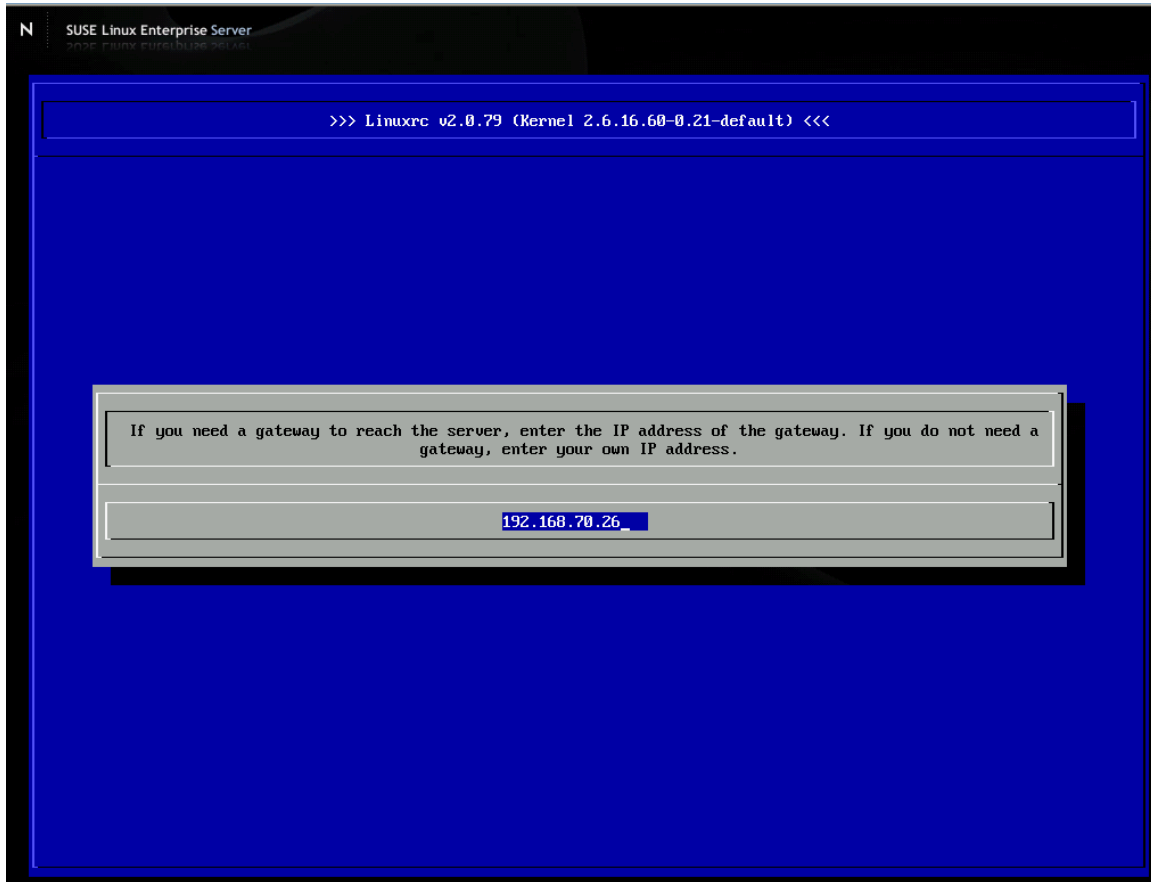
Press Enter.

1.2.2.4 Netmask



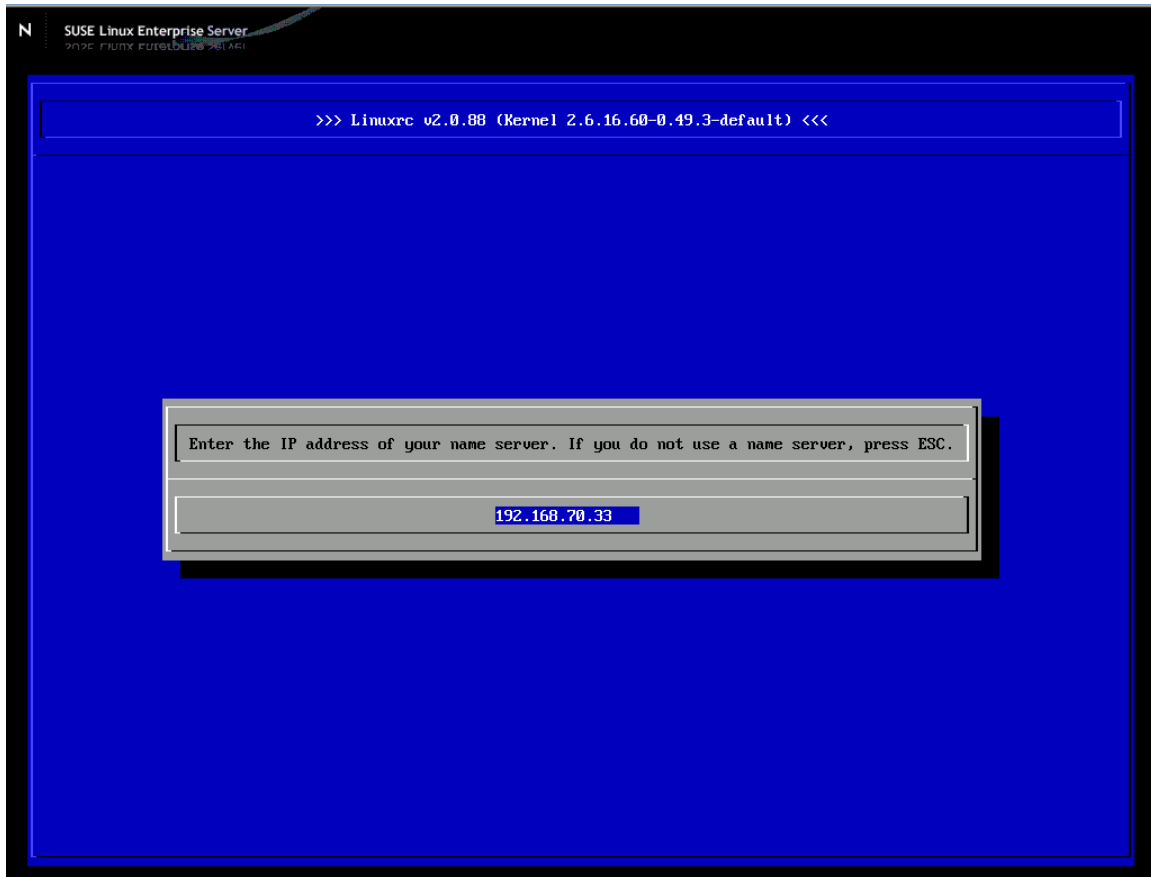
Enter your netmask and press Enter.

1.2.2.5 Gateway



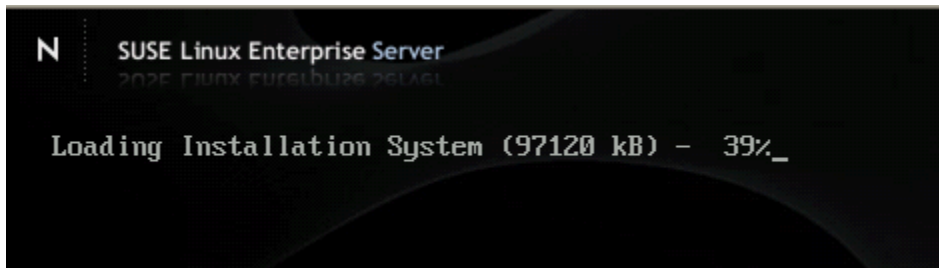
Enter your gateway IP address, note the instructions, and press Enter.

1.2.2.6 Name Server



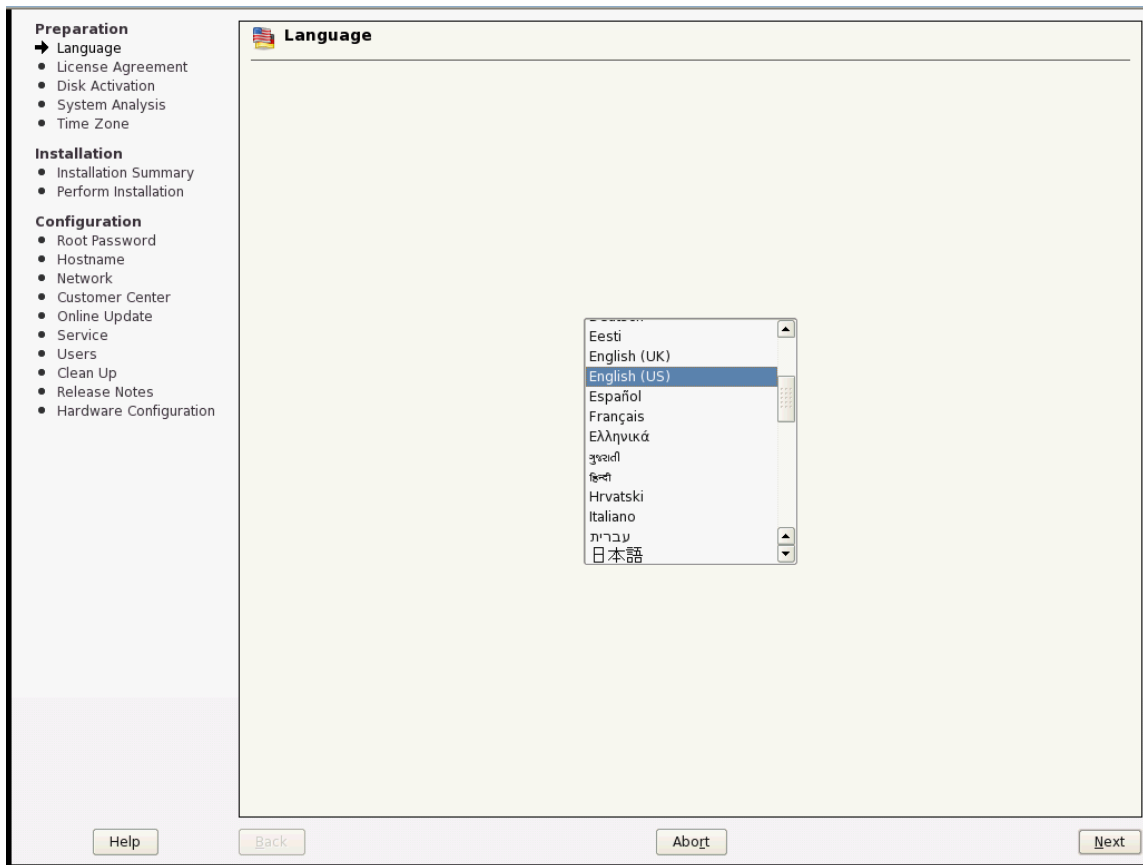
Enter your name server IP address, note the instructions, and press Enter or ESC as appropriate.

1.2.3 Loading



1.2.4 Language

Select your language.



Click Next.

1.2.5 Media Check

Media Check

When you have a problem with installation and are using a CD or DVD installation medium, you should check whether the medium could be broken.

Select a drive, insert a medium into the drive, and press **Start Check** to perform the check. The check can take several minutes depending on speed of the drive and size of the medium. The check verifies the MD5 checksum.

If the check of the medium fails, you should not continue the installation. It may fail or you may lose your data. You should replace the broken medium.

After the check you can insert the next medium and start the procedure again. The order of the media is irrelevant.

Note: You cannot change the medium if it is used by the system. If it happens during installation, start manual installation and select the media verification item in the menu.

Media Check

It is recommended to check all installation media to avoid installation problems.

CD or DVD Drive
IBM Remote Disk (/dev/sr0)

Status Information

Progress
0%

Start Check Cancel

Back Abort Next

Click Next.

1.2.6 License

Read the License Agreement, and if you agree select “Yes, I Agree to the License Agreement”.

Preparation

- ✓ Language
- ➔ **License Agreement**
- Disk Activation
- System Analysis
- Time Zone

Installation

- Installation Summary
- Perform Installation

Configuration

- Root Password
- Hostname
- Network
- Customer Center
- Online Update
- Service
- Users
- Clean Up
- Release Notes
- Hardware Configuration

License Agreement

Language
English

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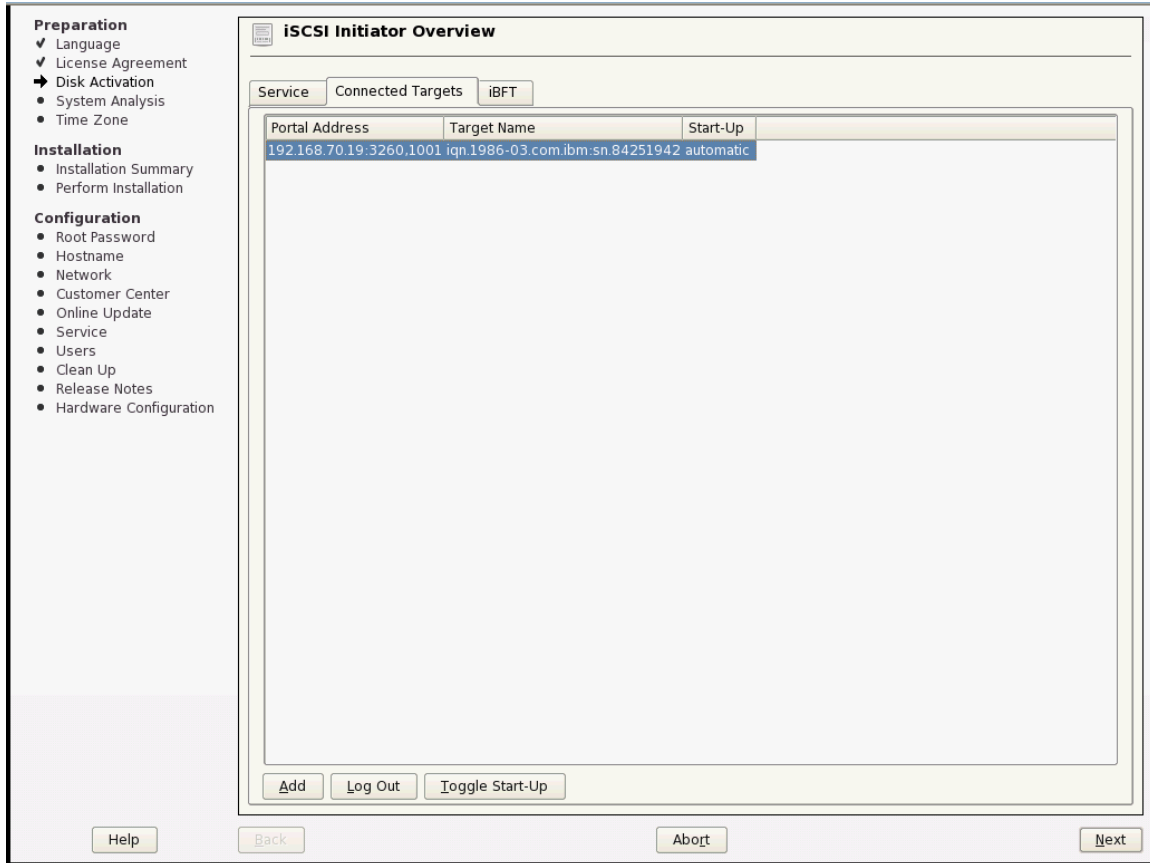
☒ Yes, I Agree to the License Agreement
☐ No, I Do Not Agree

Help Back Abort Next

Click Next.

1.2.7 iSCSI Initiator Overview

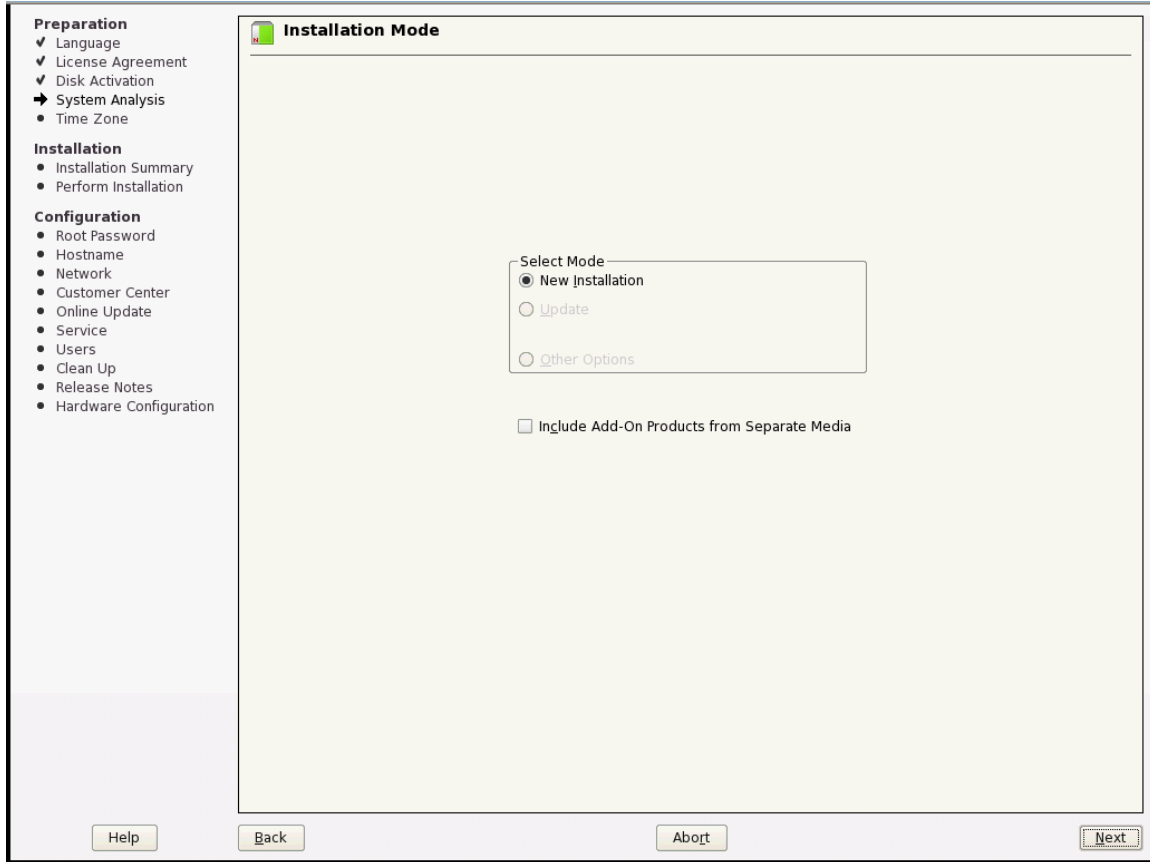
The iSCSI Target is displayed. Note that the Target information is passed from the Server firmware to the operating system automatically.



Click Next.

1.2.8 Installation Mode

Select New Installation.



Click Next.

1.2.9 Clock and Time Zone

In the "Clock and Time Zone" screen, select the applicable Region, Time Zone, and Hardware Clock settings. Change the time and date if necessary.

Preparation

- ✓ Language
- ✓ License Agreement
- ✓ Disk Activation
- ✓ System Analysis
- Time Zone

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Clock and Time Zone

Region

- Europe
- USA**
- Canada
- Central and South America
- Russia
- Asia
- Australia
- Africa
- Pacific
- Global
- Etc

Time Zone

- Alaska
- Aleutian
- Arizona
- Central
- Eastern**
- East Indiana
- Hawaii
- Indiana Starke
- Michigan
- Mountain
- Pacific
- Samoa

Hardware Clock Set To: UTC

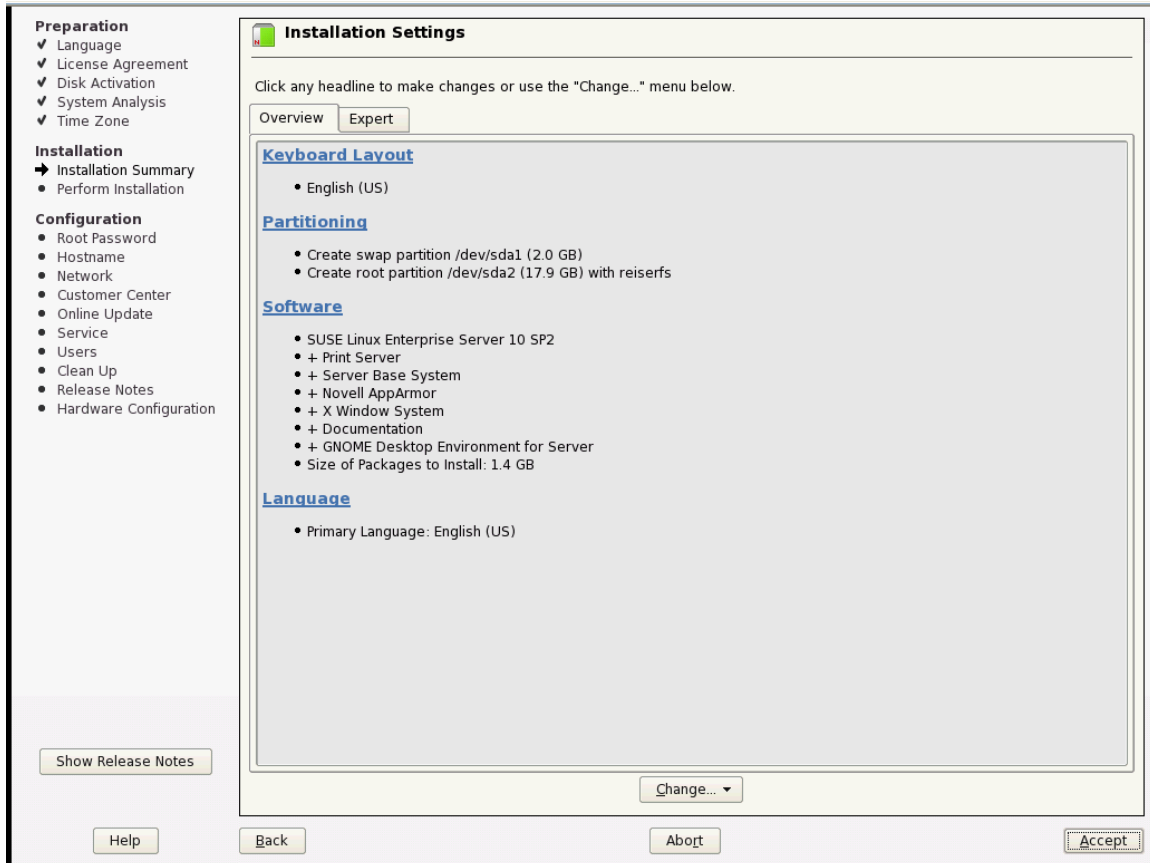
Time and Date: 10:30:25 - 2009-07-10 [Change...](#)

[Help](#) [Back](#) [Abort](#) [Next](#)

Click Next.

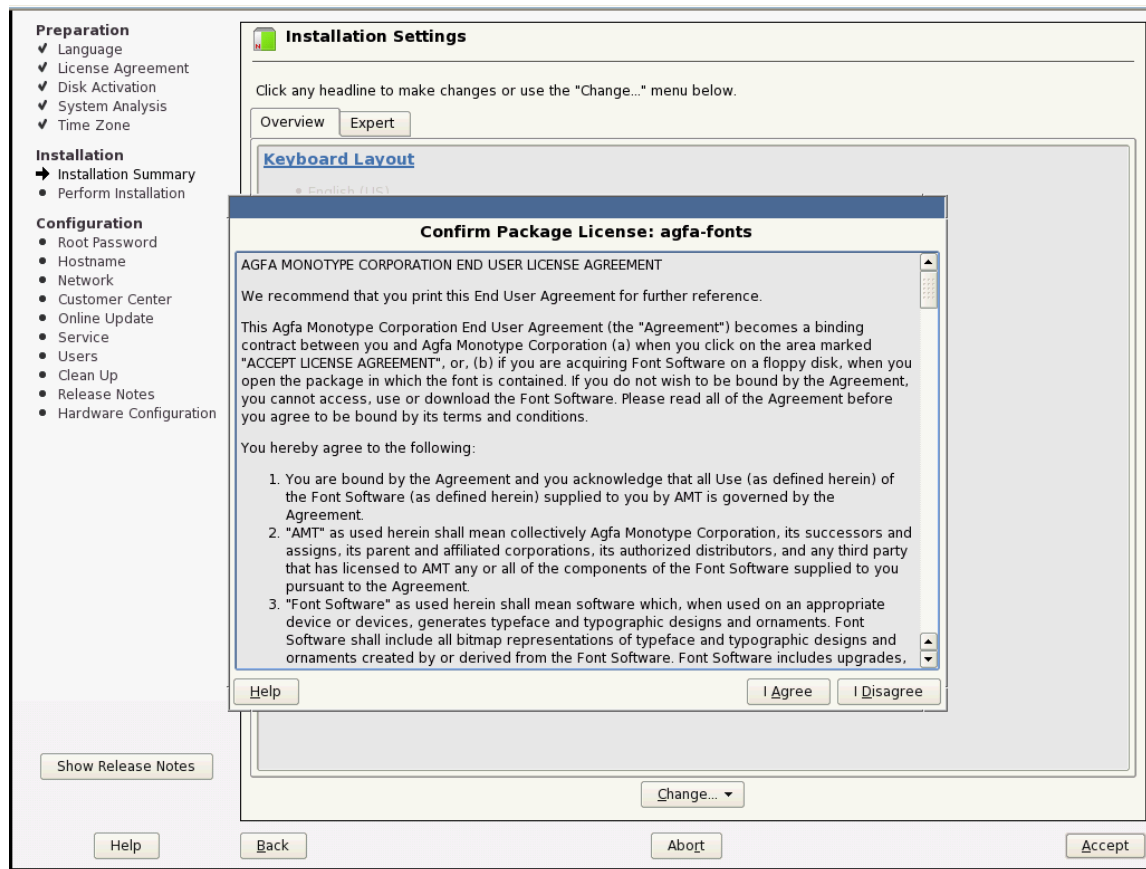
1.2.10 Installation Settings

The defaults are fine for this example install. Make changes appropriate to your requirements.



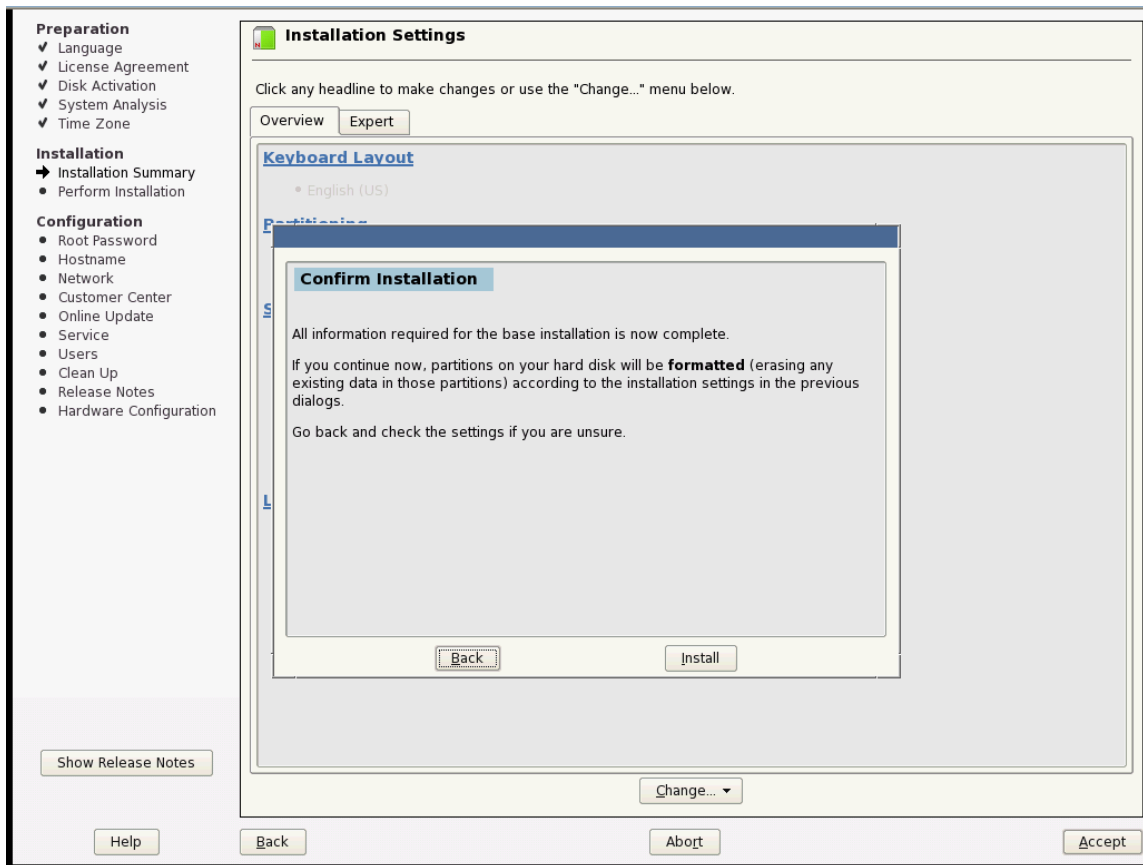
Click Accept.

1.2.11 License Pop Ups



If you agree click I Agree.

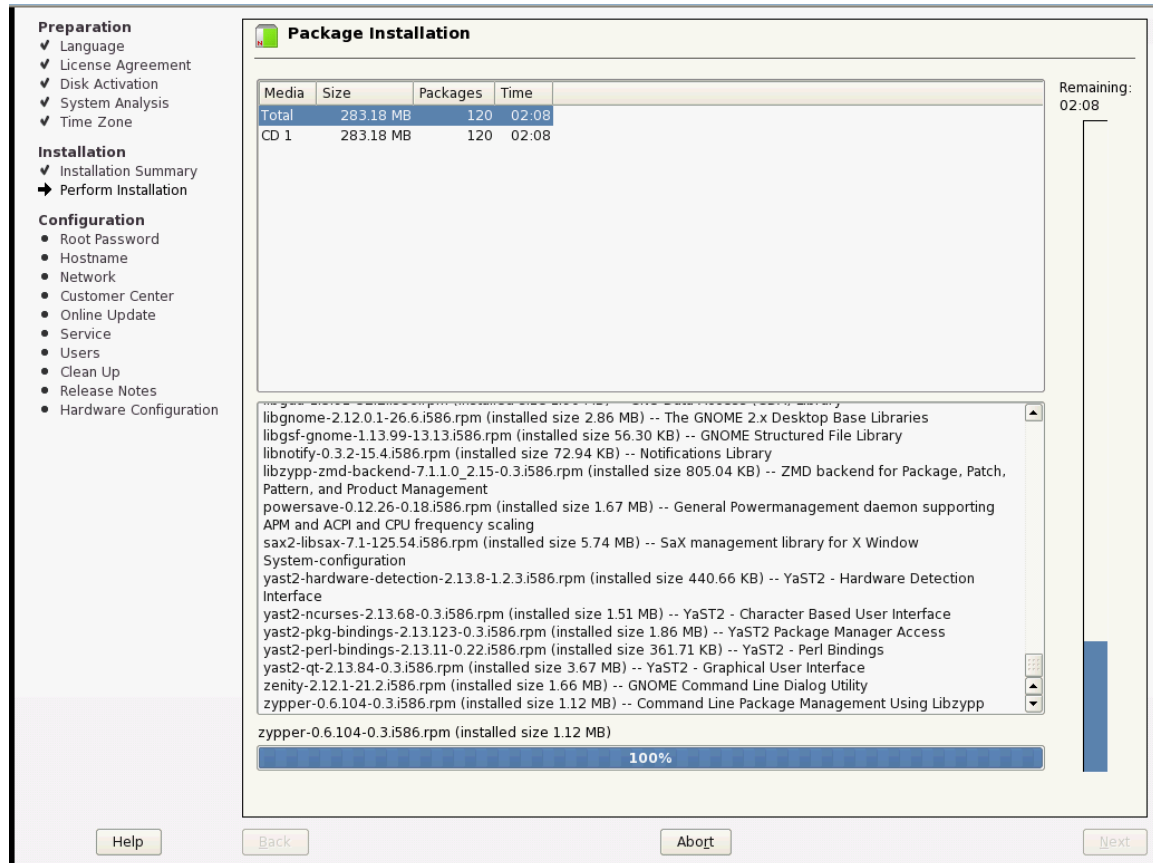
1.2.12 Confirm Install



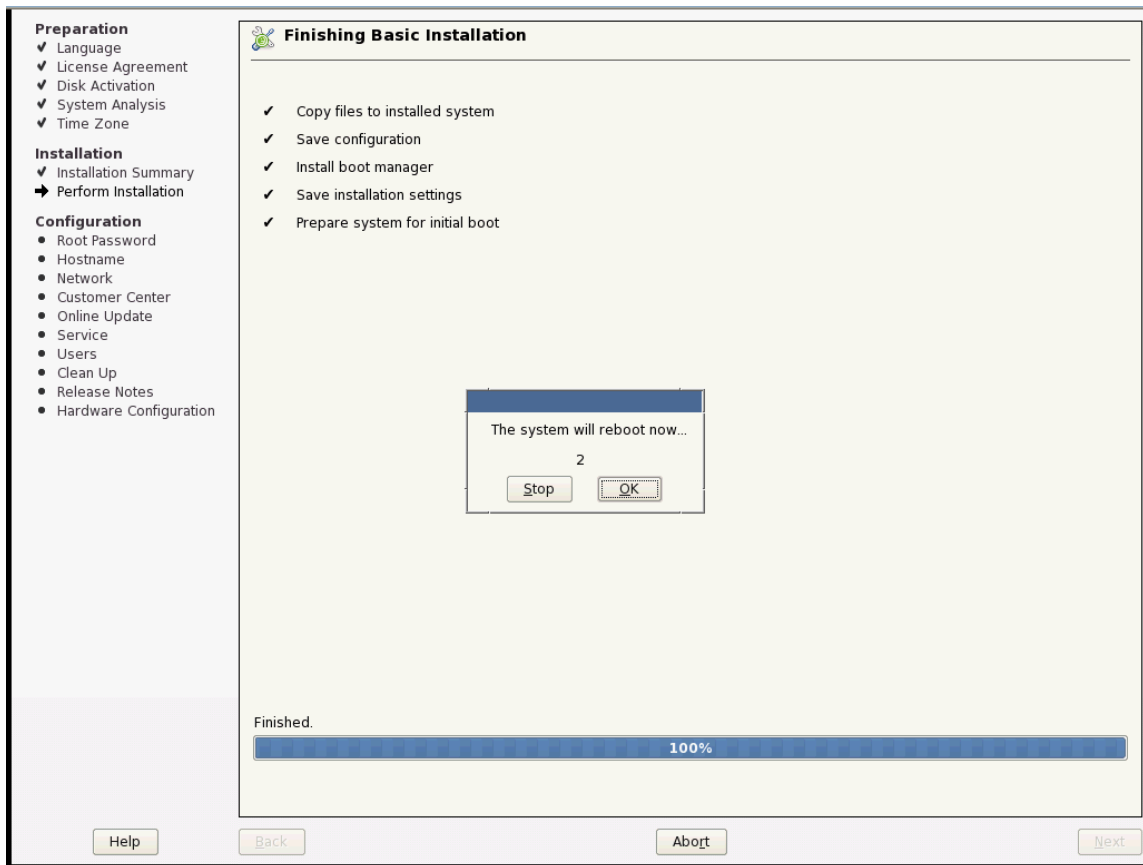
Click Install.

1.2.13 Package Installation

Installation proceeds...



1.2.14 Finishing Basic Installation



When this phase completes the system reboots.

Various countdown and initialization panels appear and then proceed.

1.2.15 Password

Enter the password for the root user.

The screenshot shows the 'Password for the System Administrator "root"' window. On the left is a navigation pane with the following sections:

- Preparation**
 - ✓ Language
 - ✓ License Agreement
 - ✓ Disk Activation
 - ✓ System Analysis
 - ✓ Time Zone
- Installation**
 - ✓ Installation Summary
 - ✓ Perform Installation
- Configuration**
 - ➔ Root Password
 - Hostname
 - Network
 - Customer Center
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The main area of the window contains the following text and fields:

Do not forget what you enter here.

Password for root User
[password field with 7 asterisks]

Confirm Password
[password field with 7 asterisks]

[Expert Options... button]

At the bottom of the window are four buttons: [Help], [Back], [Abort], and [Next].

Click Next.

1.2.16 Hostname and Domain Name

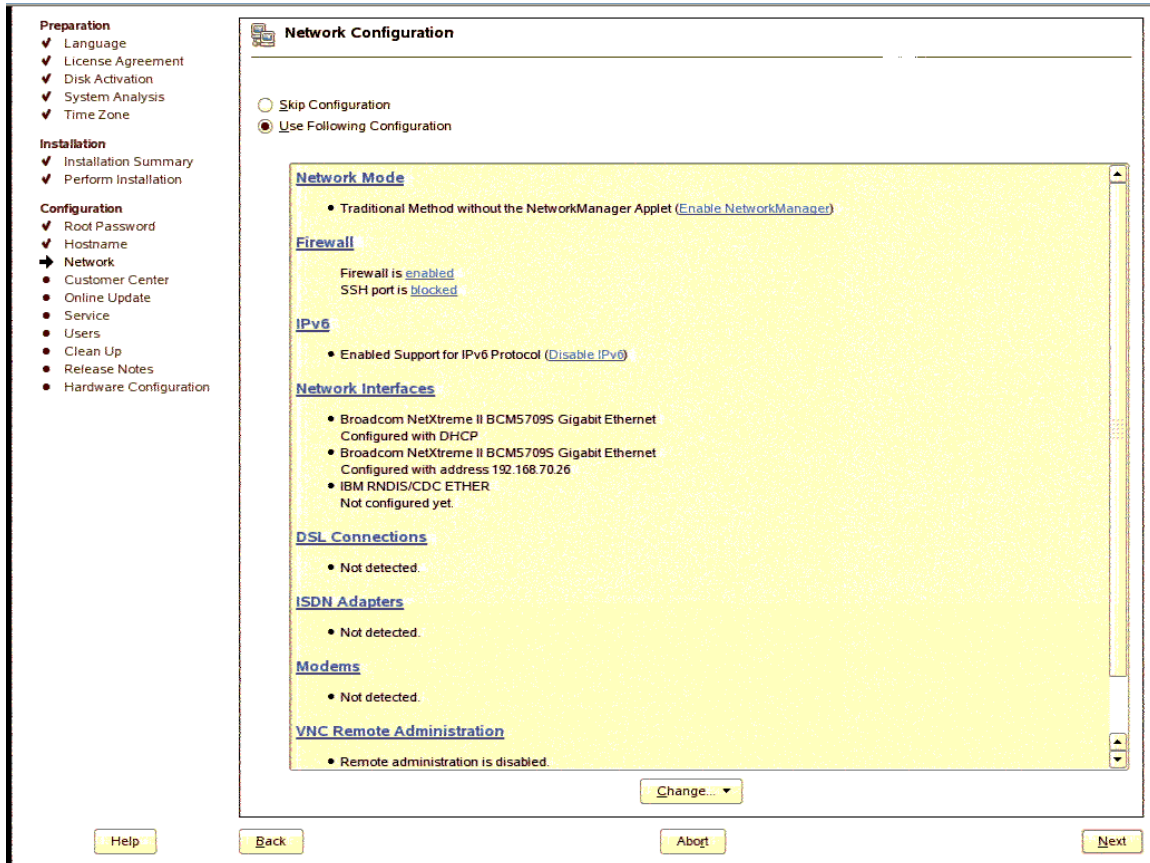
Update as appropriate.

The screenshot shows the 'Hostname and Domain Name' configuration window. On the left is a navigation pane with sections: Preparation (Language, License Agreement, Disk Activation, System Analysis, Time Zone), Installation (Installation Summary, Perform Installation), and Configuration (Root Password, Hostname, Network, Customer Center, Online Update, Service, Users, Clean Up, Release Notes, Hardware Configuration). The 'Hostname' option is selected. The main window has a title bar 'Hostname and Domain Name' and a large empty area. At the bottom of this area is a form with two input fields: 'Hostname' (containing 'linux-yu6f') and 'Domain Name' (containing 'site'). Below these fields are two checked checkboxes: 'Change Hostname via DHCP' and 'Write Hostname to /etc/hosts'. At the bottom of the window are four buttons: 'Help', 'Back', 'Abort', and 'Next'.

Click Next.

1.2.17 Network Configuration

You might want to disable the firewall if you are testing in a secure lab environment. You can configure other NICs in the system at this time as well.



Click Next.

1.2.18 Test Internet Connection

If you want to Test make sure you select the NIC that is connected to your LAN that is connected to the Internet.

Preparation

- ✓ Language
- ✓ License Agreement
- ✓ Disk Activation
- ✓ System Analysis
- ✓ Time Zone

Installation

- ✓ Installation Summary
- ✓ Perform Installation

Configuration

- ✓ Root Password
- ✓ Hostname
- ➔ **Network**
- Customer Center
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Test Internet Connection

To validate your Internet access, activate the test procedure.

The following steps will be performed:

- Download latest release notes
- Check for latest updates

Select:

☐ Yes, Test Connection to the Internet via Broadcom NetXtreme II BCM57... - Network card (DHCP address)

☒ No, Skip This Test

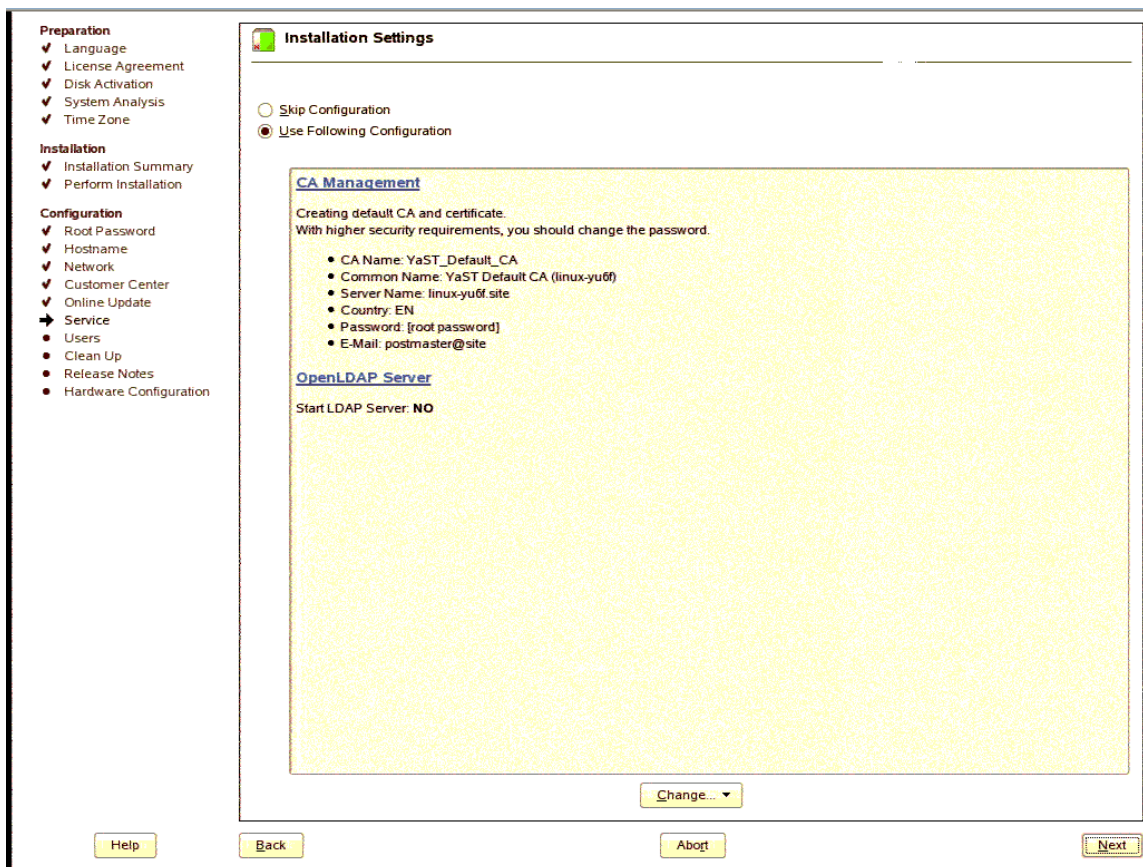
[Change Device](#)

[Help](#) [Back](#) [Abort](#) [Next](#)

Click Next.

1.2.19 Installation Settings

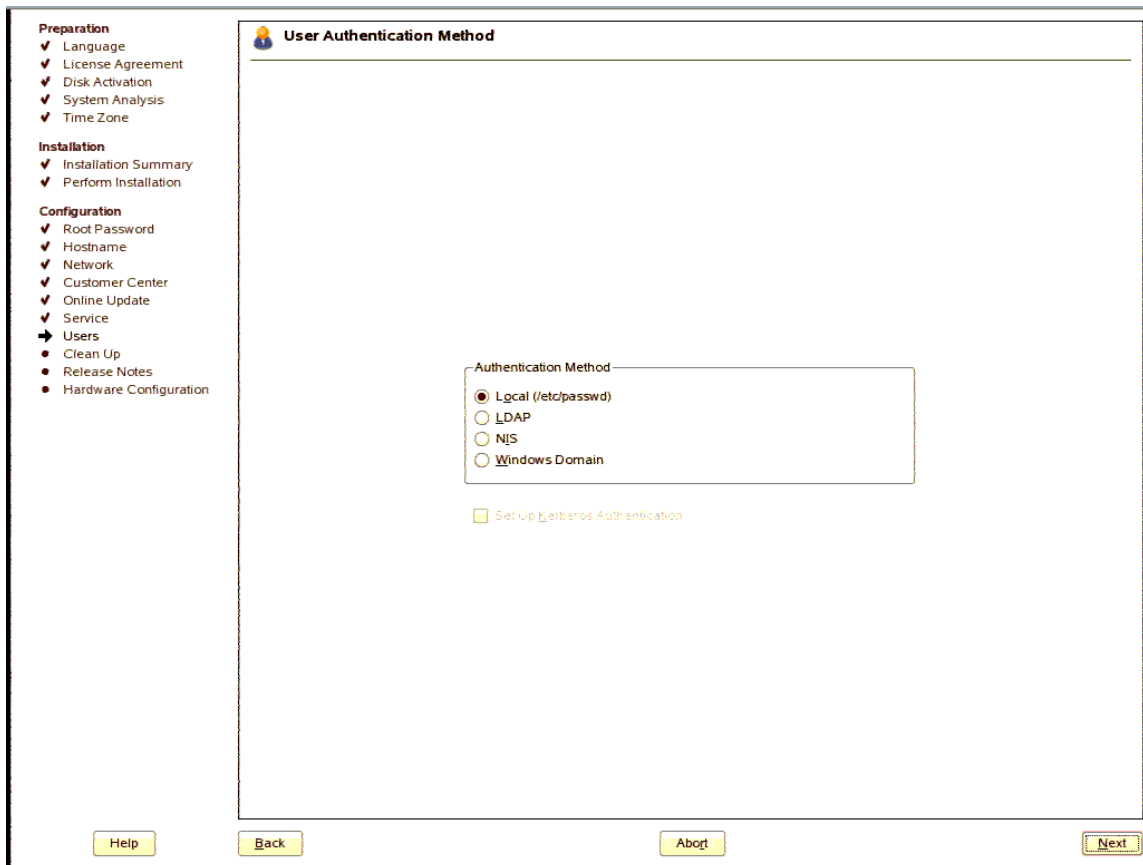
Change as required.



Click Next.

1.2.20 User Authentication Method

Select as appropriate.



The image shows a window titled "User Authentication Method" with a sidebar on the left and a main content area. The sidebar lists the installation progress:

- Preparation**
 - ✓ Language
 - ✓ License Agreement
 - ✓ Disk Activation
 - ✓ System Analysis
 - ✓ Time Zone
- Installation**
 - ✓ Installation Summary
 - ✓ Perform Installation
- Configuration**
 - ✓ Root Password
 - ✓ Hostname
 - ✓ Network
 - ✓ Customer Center
 - ✓ Online Update
 - ✓ Service
 - ➔ **Users**
 - Clean Up
 - Release Notes
 - Hardware Configuration

The main content area has a title bar with a user icon and the text "User Authentication Method". Inside, there is a section titled "Authentication Method" with four radio buttons:

- ☒ Local (/etc/passwd)
- ☐ LDAP
- ☐ NIS
- ☐ Windows Domain

Below this section is a checkbox labeled "Set Up Kerberos Authentication" which is currently unchecked. At the bottom of the window are four buttons: "Help", "Back", "Abort", and "Next".

Click Next.

1.2.21 New Local User

Enter user information.

Preparation

- ✓ Language
- ✓ License Agreement
- ✓ Disk Activation
- ✓ System Analysis
- ✓ Time Zone

Installation

- ✓ Installation Summary
- ✓ Perform Installation

Configuration

- ✓ Root Password
- ✓ Hostname
- ✓ Network
- ✓ Customer Center
- ✓ Online Update
- ✓ Service
- ➔ **Users**
- Clean Up
- Release Notes
- Hardware Configuration

New Local User

User's Full Name
Rich B

Username
richb Suggestion

Password

Confirm Password

☐ Receive System Mail
☐ Automatic Login

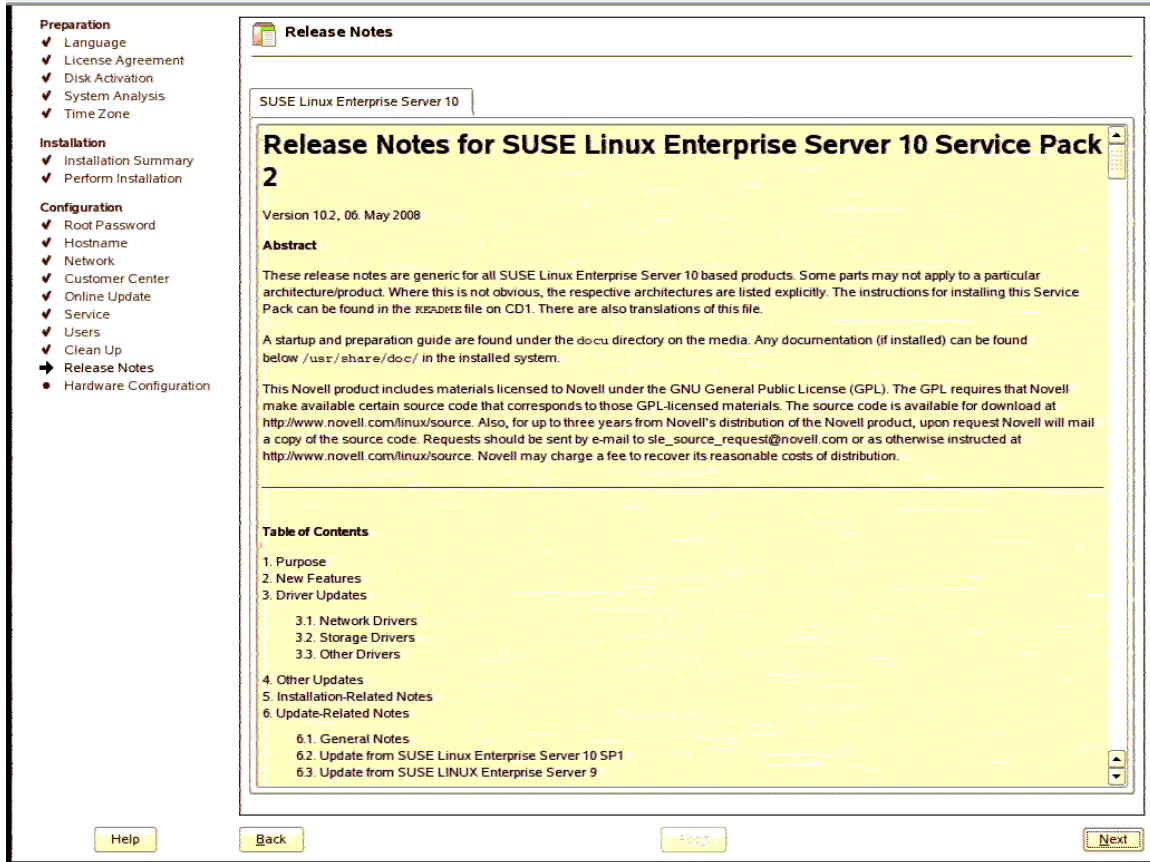
User Management

Help Back Abort Next

Click Next.

1.2.22 Release Notes

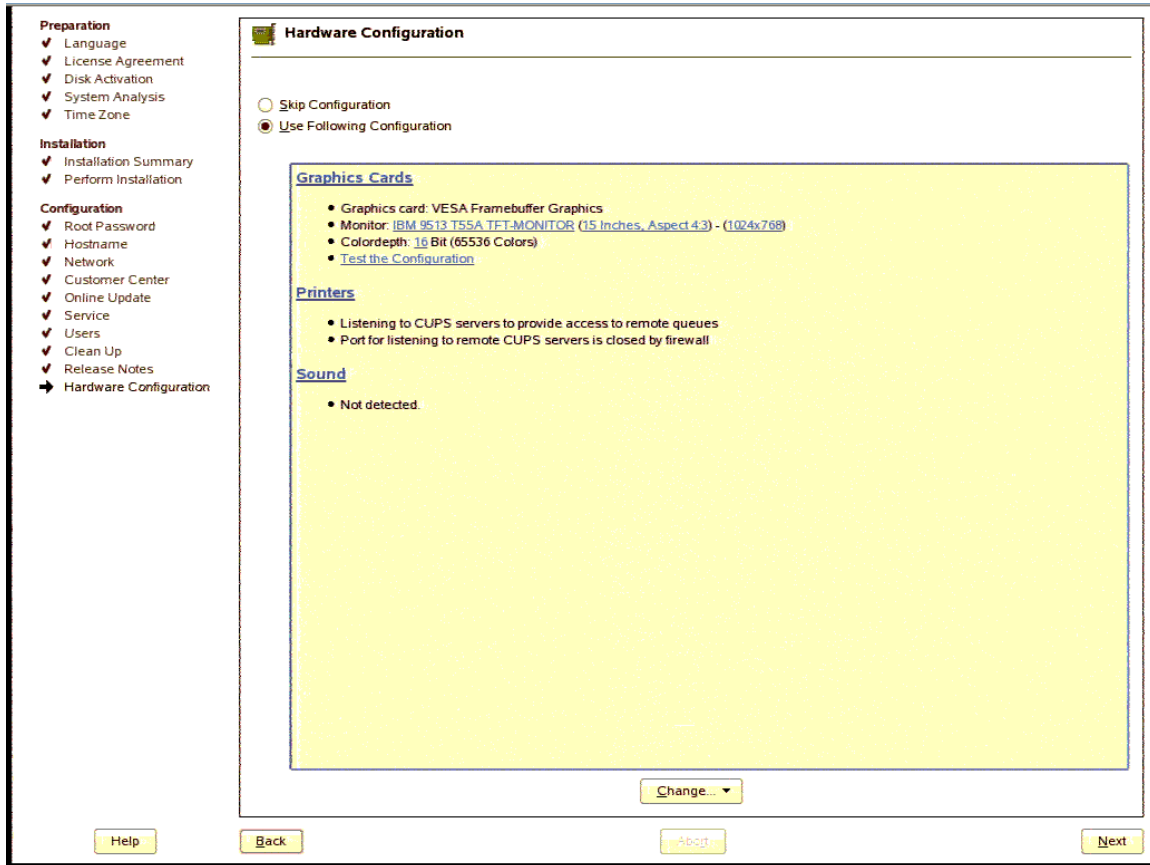
Browse the release notes.



Click Next.

1.2.23 Hardware Configuration

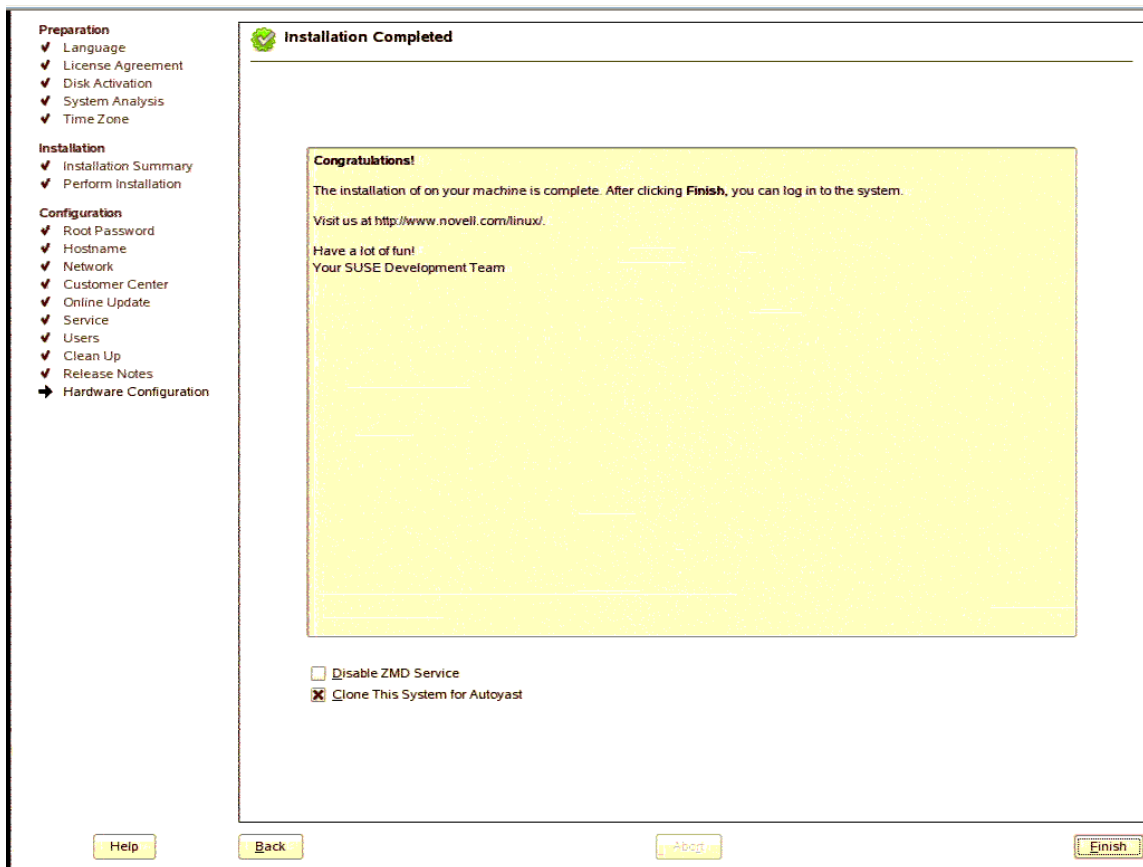
Test the configuration to be sure the video mode is compatible.



Click Next.

1.2.24 Installation Complete

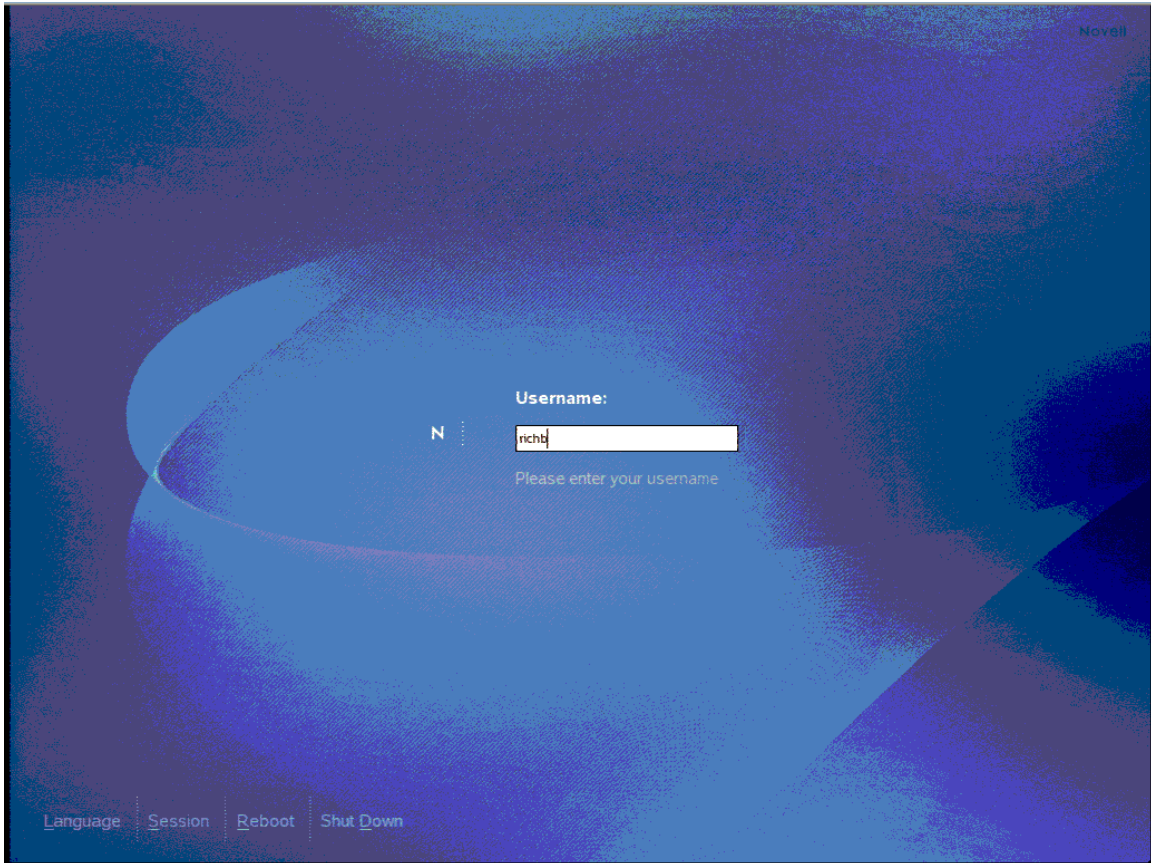
Congratulations! The install is complete.



Click Finish.

1.2.25 Login

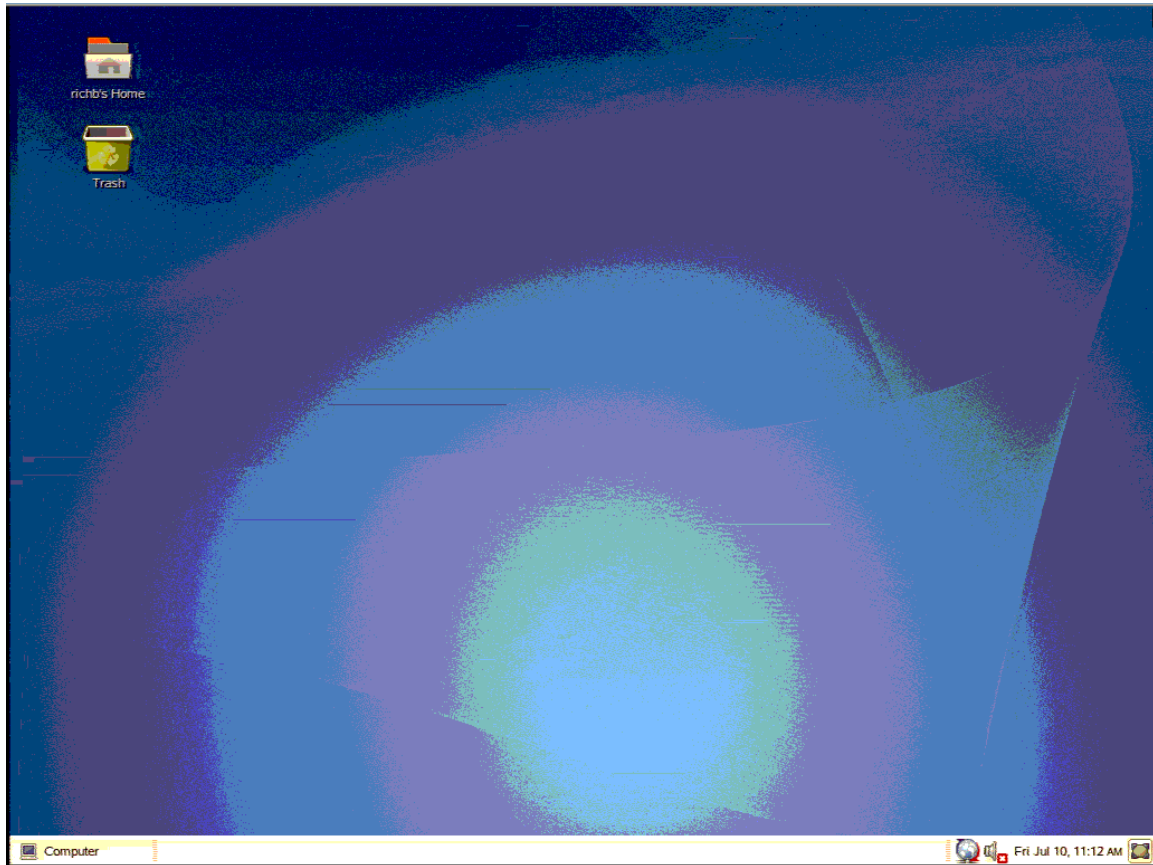
Note if you are using a Remote Console, or any console, and the graphics screen fails to appear, Ctrl-Alt-F1 will enter text mode.



Enter your username and press Enter. The password panel will follow. Enter your password and press Enter.

1.2.26 Desktop

Done!



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