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Ubuntu Linux 20.04 LTS Installation

Lenovo ThinkStation P620



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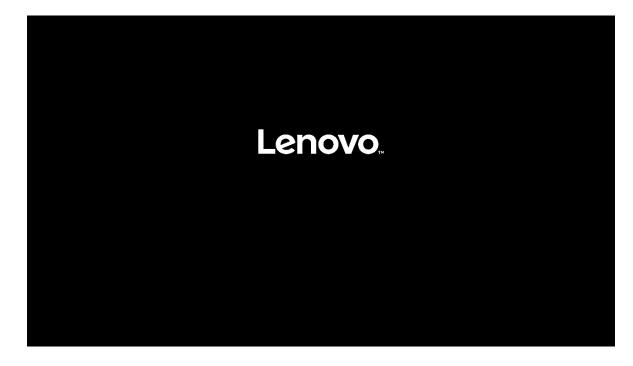
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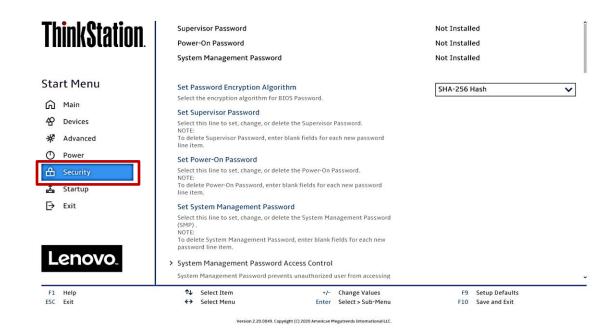
Section 1 - BIOS Setup & Preinstallation Steps

The first step before installing Linux is to make sure the system BIOS is setup correctly. Follow the steps below to ensure a few BIOS settings are set appropriately.

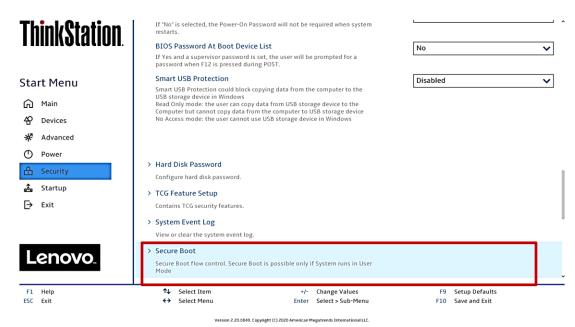
• Boot into BIOS setup by pressing the function F1 key at the "Lenovo" splash screen.



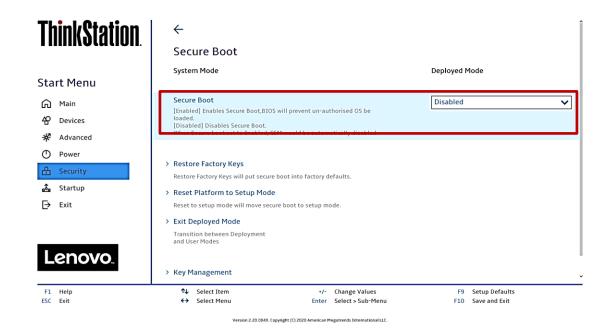
• On the main start menu within BIOS setup, select the "Security" option.



 On the "Security" menu tab, scroll down and select the "Secure Boot" option.



Set the "Secure Boot" drop-down option to "Disabled".



 Press the function F10 key to "Save & Exit" the BIOS setup menu and select "Yes" on the pop-up window that'll appear.



Section 2 – Installing Ubuntu Linux 20.04 LTS

Please refer to the following instructions and screenshots on how to install Ubuntu Linux 20.04 LTS on the Lenovo ThinkStation P620.

- Insert the Ubuntu 20.04 installation media either through USB or CD/DVD.
- Power on the system and press the function F12 key when the Lenovo splash screen appears.



• Select the Linux bootable installation media from the Startup Device Menu.

```
Network 1:

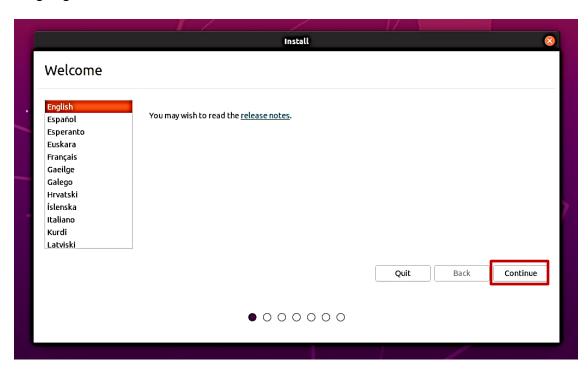
☐ UEFI: PXE IPv4 Aquantia AQtion 10Gbit Network Adapter
☐ UEFI: PXE IPv6 Aquantia AQtion 10Gbit Network Adapter
USB HDD: Samsung Flash Drive 1100, Partition 1
☐ UEFI: Samsung Flash Drive 1100, Partition 1
Enter Setup

↑ and ↓ to move selection
Delete key to enter Deployment Boot Mode
```

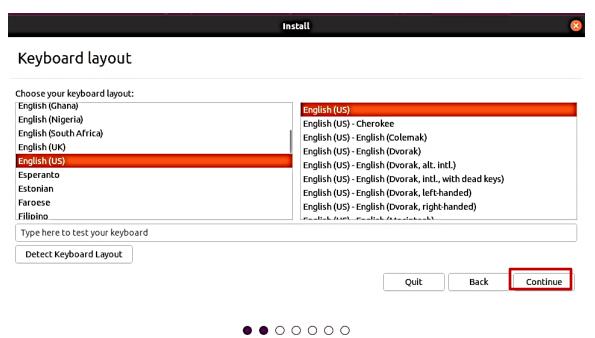
• Select the "Ubuntu" option from the GRUB boot menu, and press enter.

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*Ubuntu (safe graphics)
OEM install (for manufacturers)
Boot from next volume
UEFI Firmware Settings
```

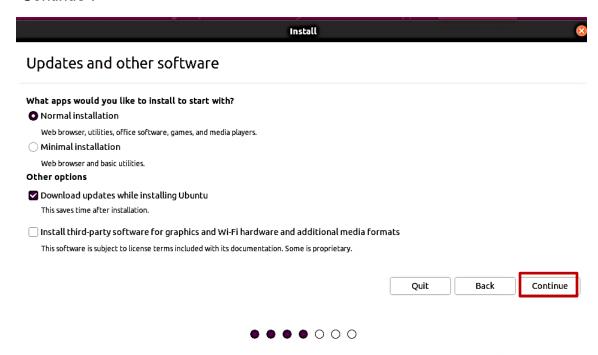
• The Ubuntu Linux Welcome Screen should appear. Select the appropriate language and "Continue".



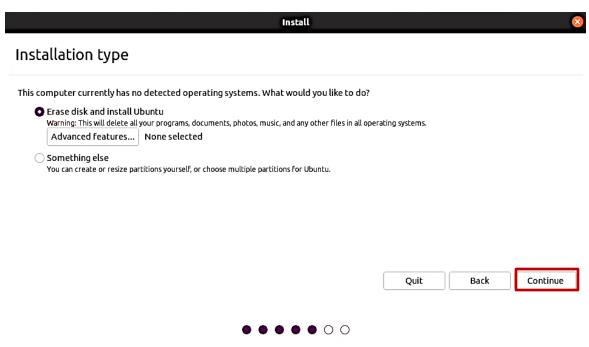
• Select the appropriate keyboard layout and "Continue".



 Select the type of installation and whether to install updates and "Continue".

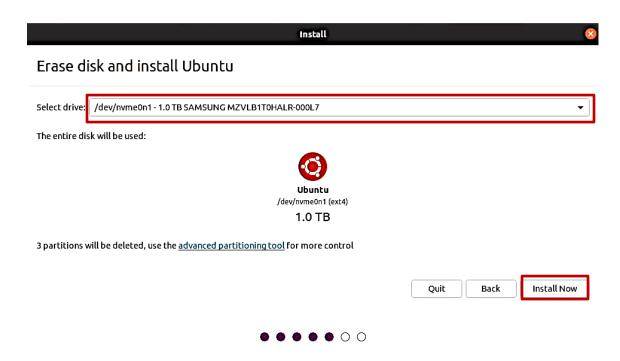


 Select "Erase disk and install Ubuntu" to automatically create the filesystem partitions and "Continue".

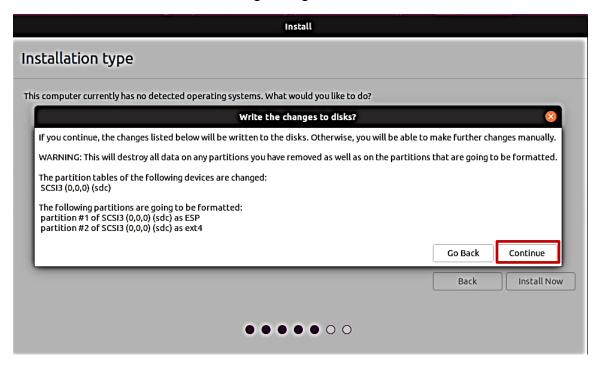


• Select the drive from the dropdown menu on where to install the Ubuntu image and select "Install Now".

For AMD RAID arrays, see Section 3 below.



Select "Continue" to confirm writing changes to the disk.



Select the appropriate geographical location and "Continue".



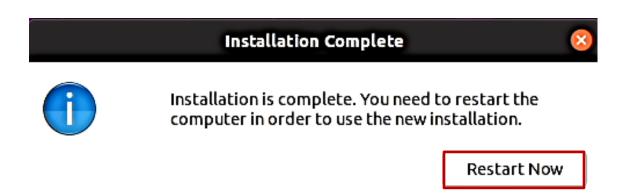
• Fill in the appropriate boxes below and select "Continue".

Install					
Who are you?					
Your name: Your computer's name: Pick a username: Choose a password: Confirm your password:	The name it uses when it talks to other computers. Log in automatically				
	Require my password to log in Back Continue				

• Let the system finish the installation.



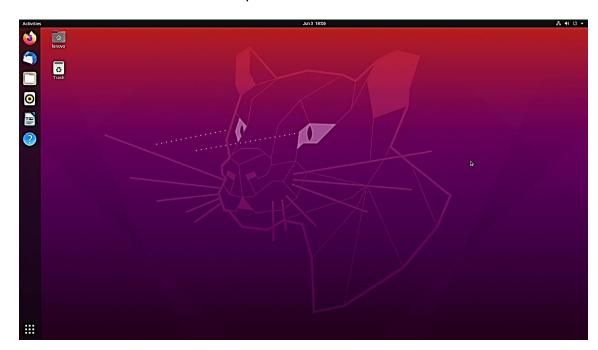
Once the installation completes, select "Reboot Now".



• Remove the installation media (USB/DVD) and press ENTER.



• Ubuntu Linux 20.04 LTS Desktop screen.



Section 3 – RAID Array Installation

Please refer to the following instructions and screenshots on how to install Ubuntu Linux 20.04 LTS utilizing RAID arrays on the Lenovo ThinkStation P620.

Note: This is assuming storage RAID is already set up and configured in BIOS.

- Download the Linux AMD storage RAID driver from the Lenovo support site and copy the contents onto a directory labelled 'dd' from the root of a USB flash drive.
- Insert the Ubuntu 20.04 installation media either through USB or CD/DVD.
- Power on the system and press the function F12 key when the Lenovo splash screen appears.



• Select the Linux bootable installation media from the Startup Device Menu.

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Network 1:

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Enter Setup

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```

• Select the "Ubuntu" option from the GRUB boot menu, and press 'e'.

```
*Ubuntu
Ubuntu (safe graphics)
OEM install (for manufacturers)
Boot from next volume
UEFI Firmware Settings
```

 Add the following lines to the end of the Linux kernel command parameter and press CTRL-X.

"break=mount modprobe.blacklist=ahci,nvme nomodeset"

```
setparams 'Ubuntu'

set gfxpayload=keep
linux /casper/vmlinuz file=/cdrom/preseed/ubuntu.seed maybe-ubiquity quiet splash --- break=mount modprobe.blacklist=ahci,nvme nomodeset_
initrd /casper/initrd
```

 At the "BusyBox" shell, insert the USB flash drive with the Linux AMD RAID driver into a USB port of the system and mount it using the following command:

"mount -t vfat /dev/sdb1 /tmp"

<u>Note</u>: /dev/sdb1 may need to be changed depending on the number of devices attached to the system.

```
BusyBox v1.30.1 (Ubuntu 1:1.30.1–4ubuntu6) built–in shell (ash)
Enter 'help' for a list of built–in commands.
(initramfs) mount –t vfat /dev/sdb1 /tmp
```

 Copy the contents of the driver to the root directory using the following command:

"cp -ap /tmp/dd /"

```
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Enter 'help' for a list of built–in commands.
(initramfs) mount –t vfat /dev/sdb1 /tmp
(initramfs) cp –ap /tmp/dd /
```

• Install the driver by running the following command:

"/dd/pre_install"

```
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Enter 'help' for a list of built–in commands.
(initramfs) mount –t vfat /dev/sdb1 /tmp
(initramfs) cp –ap /tmp/dd /
(initramfs) /dd/pre_install
```

 Unmount and remove the USB flash drive by running the following command:

"umount /tmp"

```
BusyBox v1.30.1 (Ubuntu 1:1.30.1–4ubuntu6) built–in shell (ash)
Enter 'help' for a list of built–in commands.

(initramfs) mount –t vfat /dev/sdb1 /tmp
(initramfs) cp –ap /tmp/dd /
(initramfs) /dd/pre_install
Symbolically linking: /sbin/insmod
(initramfs)
(initramfs)
(initramfs)
```

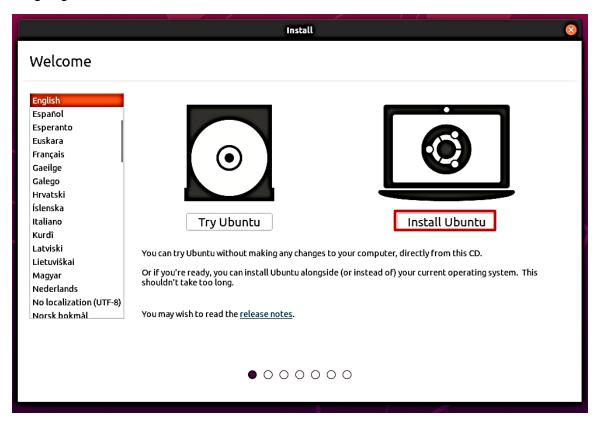
• Exit the busybox shell by running the following command:

"exit"

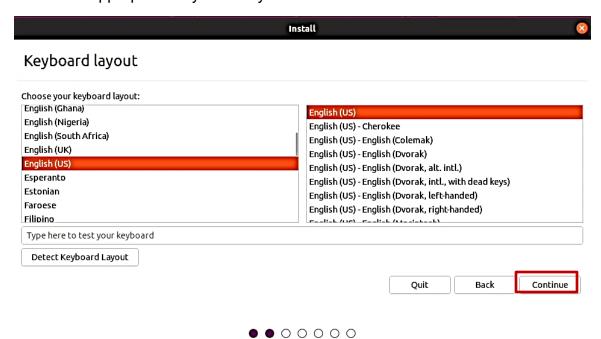
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(initramfs) cp –ap /tmp/dd /
(initramfs) /dd/pre_install
Symbolically linking: /sbin/insmod
(initramfs)
(initramfs)
(initramfs)
(initramfs) umount /tmp
(initramfs) exit
```

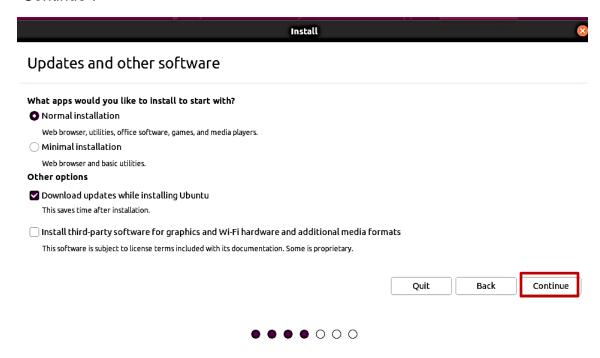
 The Ubuntu Linux Welcome Screen should appear. Select the appropriate language and select "Install Ubuntu".



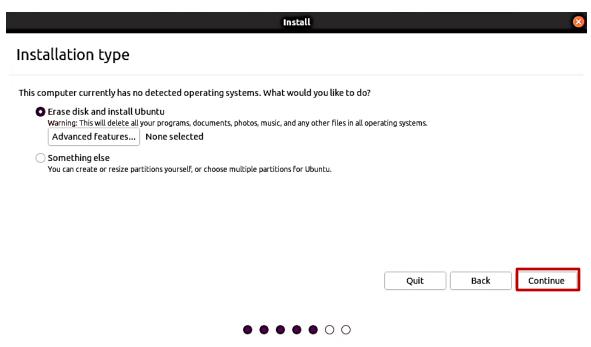
• Select the appropriate keyboard layout and "Continue".



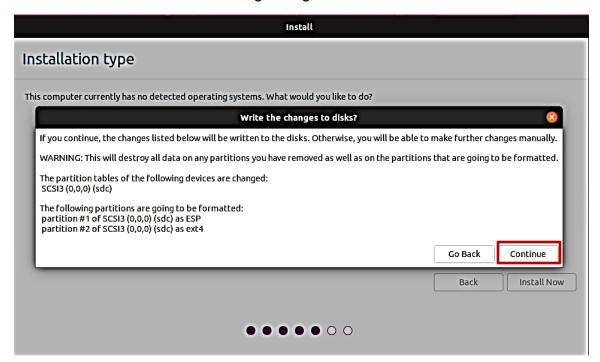
 Select the type of installation and whether or not to install updates and "Continue".



• Select "Erase disk and install Ubuntu" to automatically create the filesystem partitions and "Continue".



• Select "Continue" to confirm writing changes to the disk.



• Select the appropriate geographical location and "Continue".



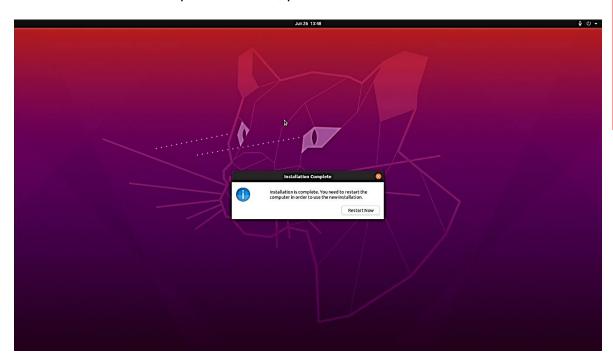
• Fill in the appropriate boxes below and select "Continue".

Install					
Who are you?					
Your name: Your computer's name: Pick a username: Choose a password: Confirm your password:	The name it uses when it talks to other computers.				
	(Back Continue			

Let the system finish the installation.



• At the "Installation Complete" window, press CTRL+ALT+F2.



 At the Ubuntu Login prompt, login using the username <u>ubuntu</u> and no password.

```
Ubuntu 20.04 LTS ubuntu tty2

ubuntu login: ubuntu

Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.4.0–26–generic x86_64)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com

* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com

* Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage

Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2025.

The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software; the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.

Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ _
```

 Insert the USB flash drive with the Linux AMD RAID driver into a USB port of the system and mount it using the following command:

"sudo mount -t vfat /dev/sdb1 /mnt"

Note: /dev/sdb1 may need to be changed depending on the number of devices attached to the system.

```
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ sudo mount -t vfat /dev/sdb1 /mnt_
```

 Copy the contents of the driver to the root directory using the following command:

"sudo cp -ap /mnt/dd /"

```
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ sudo mount -t vfat /dev/sdb1 /mnt
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ sudo cp -ap /mnt/dd /
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$
```

• Install the driver by running the following command:

"sudo /dd/post_install"

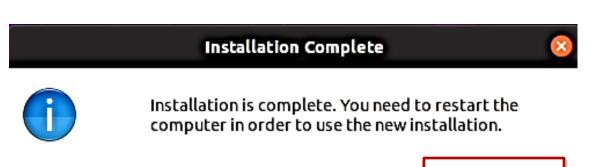
```
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ sudo mount –t vfat /dev/sdb1 /mnt
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ sudo cp_—ap /mnt/dd_/
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ sudo /dd/post_install
```

 Unmount and remove the USB flash drive by running the following command:

"sudo umount/mnt"

Press CTRL+ALT+F1 to get back to the graphical interface.

• Once the installation completes, select "Reboot Now".



Restart Now

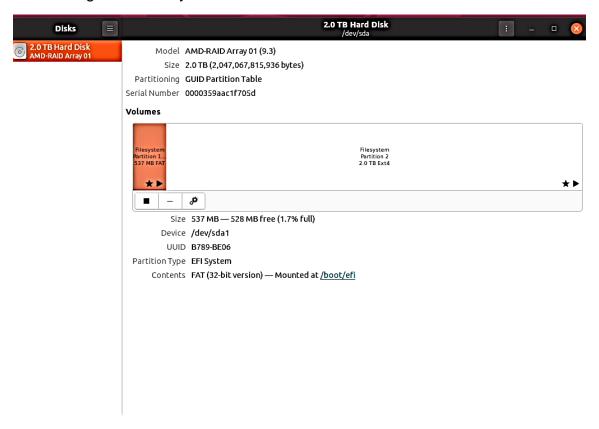
• Remove the installation media (USB/DVD) and press ENTER.



• Ubuntu Linux 20.04 LTS Desktop screen.



• Disk Configuration Utility.



Section 4 – RAIDXpert2 Management Application

Optional: AMD has a RAIDXpert2 Management Application for AMD RAID arrays. Please refer to the following instructions and screenshots on how to install this AMD management utility on the Lenovo ThinkStation P620.

- Download the Linux AMD RAIDXpert2 Management Application from the Lenovo support site directly onto the Linux desktop.
- Open a terminal window from within the Linux desktop and browse to the correct location path for the driver package.

```
root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620:/home/lenovo/Desktop/L5RAU02US14WSUSI/RAIDXpert2_R
HEL_Ubuntu_Linux_930_00180# ls

9.3.0-00180_linux_raidxpert2.tgz
Raidxpert2_Linux_installguide.docx ReadMe.rtf
root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620:/home/lenovo/Desktop/L5RAU02US14WSUSI/RAIDXpert2_R
HEL_Ubuntu_Linux_930_00180#
```

Extract the contents of the *.tgz file using the following command:

"tar xzvf 9.3.0-00180_linux_raidxpert2.tgz -C /opt"

```
root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620:/home/lenovo/Desktop/L5RAU02US14WSUSI/RAIDXpert2_R
HEL_Ubuntu_Linux_930_00180# ls
9.3.0-06180_linux_raidxpert2_tgz rcadm
Raidxpert2_Linux_installguide.docx ReadMe.rtf
root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620:/home/lenovo/Desktop/L5RAU02US14WSUSI/RAIDXpert2_R
HEL_Ubuntu_Linux_930_00180# tar xzvf 9.3.0-00180 linux_raidxpert2.tgz -C /opt
```

Change directory path to where the package was extracted to from above:

"cd /opt/raidxpert2/bin"

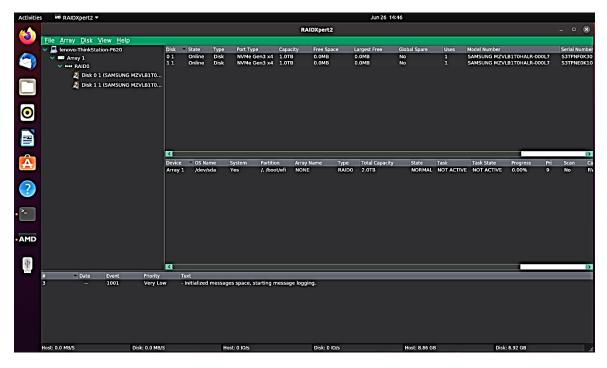
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root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620: /opt/raidxpert2/bin Q = _ □ & root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620: /home/lenovo/Desktop/L5RAU02US14WSUSI/RAIDXpert2_R/HEL_Ubuntu_Linux_930_00180# cd /opt/raidxpert2//bin/root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620:/opt/raidxpert2/bin# ls
RAIDXpert2 rcadm
root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620:/opt/raidxpert2/bin#
```

 To launch the AMD RAIDXpert2 Management Application, run the following command:

"./RAIDXpert2 &"



RAIDXpert2 Management Application



Section 5 – Installing the Aquantia LAN Driver

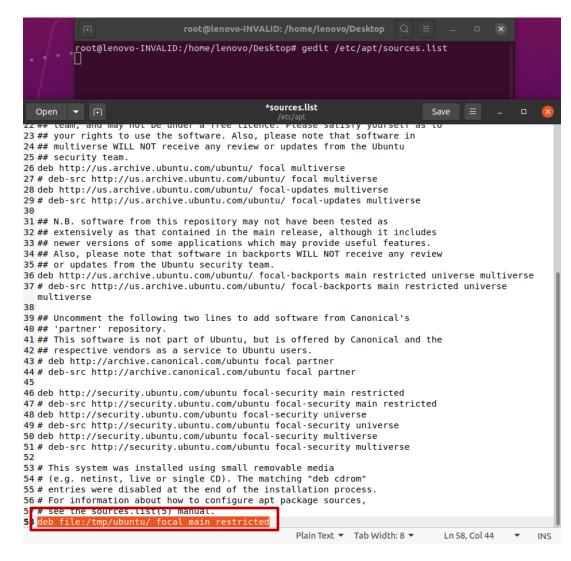
The onboard Aquantia LAN driver is not native to Ubuntu 20.04 on Lenovo P620 system. In order to make your LAN working, follow the steps below.

 Navigate to the directory where the Aquantia LAN driver is stored and unzip it.

Untar the "atlantic.tar.gz" file by using the following command.

```
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents# tar zxf atlantic.tar.gz
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents# ls
                                                        README.txt version.txt
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents# cd L
L6ETN02US14WSUSI.zip Linux/
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents# cd Linux/
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# ls
aq_cfg.h
              ag hw.h
                             aq_pci_func.h aq_trace.c
aq common.h
              aq hw utils.c
                             aq_phy.c
                                            aq trace.h
                                                          Kconfig
aq_compat.c
              aq_hw_utils.h
                            aq_phy.h
                                            aq_tsn.c
aq_compat.h
                                            aq_tsn.h
                                                          Makefile
             aq_macsec.c
                             aq_ptp.c
                             aq_ptp.h
                                            aq_utils.h
aq_drvinfo.c aq_macsec.h
                                                          README.txt
aq_drvinfo.h aq_main.c
                                            aq_vec.c
                                                          release_notes.txt
                             aq_ring.c
aq_ethtool.c aq_main.h
                             aq_ring.h
                                            aq vec.h
                                                          rpm-src.spec
                                            build-deb.sh
aq_ethtool.h aq_nic.c
                             aq_rss.h
                                                          ver.h
aq_filters.c aq_nic.h
                             aq_sysfs.c
                                            dkms.sh
aq_filters.h aq_pci_func.c aq_sysfs.h
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux#
```

 Mount the Ubuntu 20.04 media key and copy its contents to the directory of your choice. Once done copying, edit the source.list file using an editor of your choosing and save the changes.

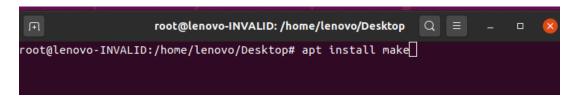


Update the package list with the "apt-get update" command.

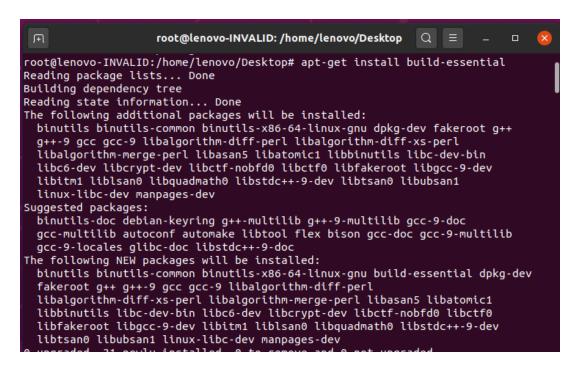
```
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Desktop Q = - □  
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Desktop# gedit /etc/apt/sources.list

(gedit:5644): Tepl-WARNING **: 19:16:47.209: GVfs metadata is not supported. Fal lback to TeplMetadataManager. Either GVfs is not correctly installed or GVfs met adata are not supported on this platform. In the latter case, you should configure Tepl with --disable-gvfs-metadata.
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Desktop# apt-get update
```

Install the make compiler with the "apt install make" command.



 Install the build-essential package with "apt-get install build-essential" command.



 Navigate to the Aquantia LAN driver directory and compile the modules inside the "Linux" folder using "make".

```
root@lenovo-INVALID: /home/lenovo/Documents/Linux
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents# ls
                                                          README.txt version.txt
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents# cd Linux/
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# ls
              aq_hw.h
                              aq_pci_func.h aq_trace.c
aq_cfg.h
                                              aq_trace.h
aq_common.h
              aq_hw_utils.c
                                                            Kconfig
                              aq_phy.c
              aq_hw_utils.h
aq_compat.c
                              aq_phy.h
                                              aq_tsn.c
aq_compat.h
              aq_macsec.c
                                                            Makefile
                              aq_ptp.c
                                              aq_tsn.h
                                              aq_utils.h
aq_drvinfo.c aq_macsec.h
                              aq_ptp.h
                                                            README.txt
aq_drvinfo.h
                              aq_ring.c
                                                            release_notes.txt
              aq_main.c
                                              aq_vec.c
aq_ethtool.c
                              aq_ring.h
              aq_main.h
                                              aq_vec.h
                                                            rpm-src.spec
aq_ethtool.h
              aq_nic.c
                              aq_rss.h
                                              build-deb.sh
                                                            ver.h
aq_filters.c aq_nic.h
aq_filters.h aq_pci_func.c
                              aq_sysfs.c
                                              dkms.sh
                             aq sysfs.h
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# make
```

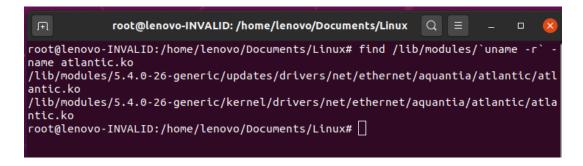
 Load the dependencies and the module using the following list of commandsmodprobe ptp modprobe crc_itu_t insmod atlantic.ko

```
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# modprobe ptp
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# modprobe crc_itu_t
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# insmod atlantic.ko
insmod: ERROR: could not insert module atlantic.ko: File exists
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# []
```

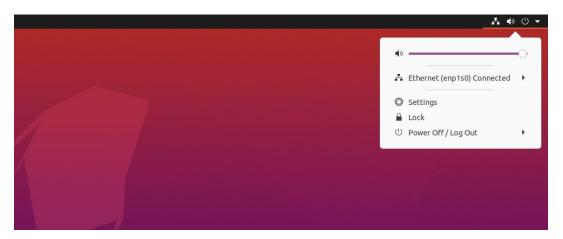
 Unload and install the driver in the system using "rmmod atlantic" and "make && make install" commands. Type "y" for yes for attempting initramfs update.

```
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# rmmod atlantic
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# rmmod atlantic
root@lenovo-INVALID:/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux# make && make install
make -j4 -C /lib/modules/5.4.0-26-generic/build M="/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux"
modules
make[1]: Entering directory '/usr/src/linux-headers-5.4.0-26-generic'
Building modules, stage 2.
MODPOST 1 modules
make[1]: Leaving directory '/usr/src/linux-headers-5.4.0-26-generic'
make[1]: Entering directory '/home/lenovo/Documents/Linux'
atlantic.ko is in initramfs.
CAUTION! Updating initramfs is potentially dangerous.
Attempt initramfs update? [yN] y
```

Verify if the LAN driver is present in /lib/modules/`uname -r` atlantic.ko



 Reboot the system or run the command "modprobe atlantic" and verify if the LAN is working.



Section 6 – Installing the Nvidia Graphics Driver

In order to get optimal performance out of the Nvidia GPU, it is a good idea to install the proprietary Nvidia graphics driver. Follow the instructions below to do so.

- Download the latest Nvidia graphics driver for the appropriate Nvidia GPU from here.
- Blacklist the Linux Nouveau driver by following the steps below:
 - From within Linux, open a terminal window and log in as root.

sudo su -

 Using a text editor, create and modify the following file /etc/modprobe.d/blacklist.conf

vi /etc/modprobe.d/blacklist.conf



o Add the following line, "blacklist nouveau" and save and exit the file.

```
root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620: /home/lenovo/Desktop
                                                                              Modified
 GNU nano 4.8
                              /etc/modprobe.d/blacklist.conf
  most apps now use garmin usb driver directly (Ubuntu: #114565)
blacklist garmin_gps
blacklist asus_acpi
# low-quality, just noise when being used for sound playback, causes
# hangs at desktop session start (Ubuntu: #246969)
blacklist snd_pcsp
# ugly and loud noise, getting on everyone's nerves; this should be done by a
# nice pulseaudio bing (Ubuntu: #77010)
blacklist pcspkr
hlacklist amd76v edac
blacklist nouveau
              ^O Write Out ^W Where Is
   Get Help
                                              Cut Text
                                                             Justify
                                                                           Cur Pos
              ^R Read File
                                              Paste Text^T
                                                             To Spell
                                                                           Go To Line
   Exit
                                Replace
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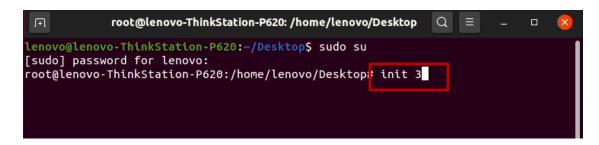
Run the following command to update the initramfs file.

update-initramfs -u



Reboot the system.

 Open a terminal window from within the Linux desktop, log in as root, and execute the command "init 3".



Install all prerequisites using the following commands:

apt-get install 'build-essential'

```
root@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620:/home/lenovo/Downloads# apt-get install 'build-essential' Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
The following package was automatically installed and is no longer required:
    linux-modules-5.4.0-1002-0em
Use 'sudo apt autoremove' to remove it.
The following additional packages will be installed:
    binutils binutils-common binutils-x86-64-linux-gnu cpp-9 dpkg-dev fakeroot g++ g++-9 gcc gc libc6 libc6-dbg libc6-dev libcc1-0 libcrypt-dev libctf-nobfd0 libctf0 libdpkg-perl libfaker Suggested packages:
    binutils-doc gcc-9-locales debian-keyring g++-multilib g++-9-multilib gcc-9-doc gcc-multili The following NEW packages will be installed:
    binutils binutils-common binutils-x86-64-linux-gnu build-essential dpkg-dev fakeroot g++ g+ libcrypt-dev libctf-nobfd0 libctf0 libfakeroot libgcc-9-dev libitm1 liblsan0 libquadmath0 IThe following packages will be upgraded:
    cpp-9 gcc-10-base gcc-9-base libc6 libc6-dbg libcc1-0 libdpkg-perl libgcc-s1 libgomp1 libst 10 upgraded, 32 newly installed, 0 to remove and 397 not upgraded.
Need to get 31.3 MB/48.2 MB of archives.
After this operation, 143 MB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n]
```

Press "Y" to continue.

 Log in as root, change directory path to the download directory to where the Nvidia driver was downloaded.

```
[lenovo@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620 ~1$ cd /home/lenovo/Downloads/
[lenovo@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620 Downloads]$ ls
NVIDIA-Linux-x86_64-440.82.run
[lenovo@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620 Downloads]$
```

Make the Nvidia driver executable.

```
# chmod +x Nvidia-*
```

```
[lenovo@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620 Downloads]$ chmod +x NVIDIA-Linux-x86_64-440.82.run
[lenovo@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620 Downloads]$ ls
NVIDIA-Linux-x86_64-440.82.run
[lenovo@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620 Downloads]$
```

• Run the driver executable.

./Nvidia*

```
[lenovo@lenovo-ThinkStation-P620 Downloads]$ ./NVIDIA-Linux-x86_64-440.82.run
```

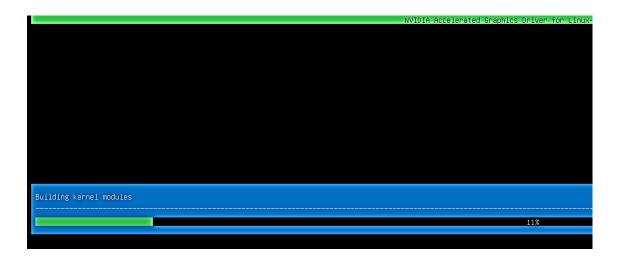
• Select "Continue Installation" and the driver installation should start.

```
An alternate method of installing the NVIDIA driver was detected. (This is usually a package provided by your distributo nvidia-installer.

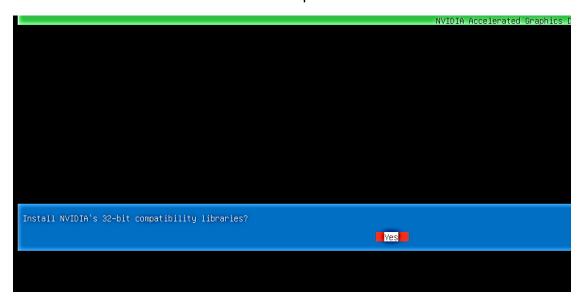
Please review the message provided by the maintainer of this alternate installation method and decide how to proceed:

Continue installation

The NVIDIA driver provided by Ubuntu can be installed by launching the "Software & Updates" application, and by selecting
```



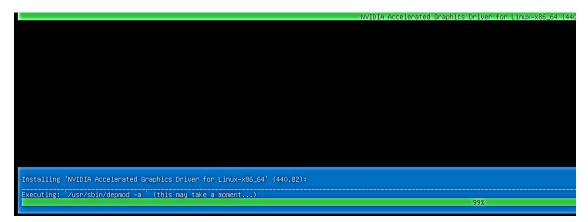
• Select "Yes" to install Nvidia's 32-bit compatible libraries.



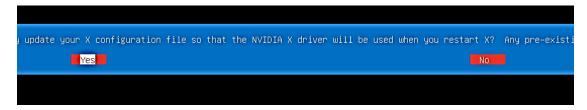
• Select "Install and overwrite existing files".



• Driver installation continues.



• Select "Yes" update the X configuration file.

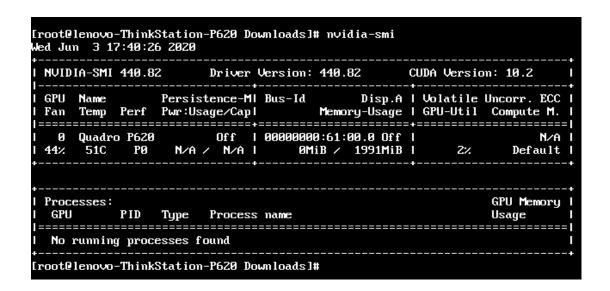


• Select "OK" to acknowledge driver installation is complete.



 Execute the following command to verify the Nvidia driver is installed and loaded.

nvidia-smi



Section 7 – Revision History

Version	Date	Author	Changes/Updates
1.0	7/15/2020	Jason Moebs	Initial launch release