Subject: Re: Breakdown of IDL 5.3 license manager after Update Inux
Posted by R.Bauer on Thu, 13 Apr 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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Martin Schultz wrote:
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> "R.Bauer" wrote:
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>> [...]
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>>> But now the license manager says that the HostID of my computer has
>>> changed to:
>>>
>>>> lmhostid - Copyright (C) 1989-1999 Globetrotter Software, Inc.
>>>> The FLEXlm host ID of this machine is ""
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>> [...]
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>> Hi Harald,
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>> The problem is that's the hostID is the hex number of the IP-Address
>> (that's the definition).
>> And lmhostid is the ethernet hardware address.
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>> I myselft don't understand why RSI defines the linux key to the hostid.
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>> If you have bought a linux notebook and bought a linux IDL Licence
>> connected to the ethernet card
>> you are only able to use this licence in the home network.
>> And if you are far away from home you will have expensive calls to get a
>> 30-day licence.
>>
>> I don't know Suse6.0. But may be this version returns by hostid the hex
>> local_host.
>> Suse 6.3 returns the hex ipaddress
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>> hope this helps
>>
>> R.Bauer
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> As JD points out correctly, the key is linked to the hardware address.
> Just the other day I installed IDL 5.3 successfully on the PC that I
> brought back from the US which is equipped with an ethernet card but not
> connected to a local network. I only had to activate the hardware driver
> for the card (i.e. load the module), but I did not have to configure the
> device at all (I do have some network config though, due to my ISDN
> connection).
>

> Viele Gruesse,
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I don't agree because we got exactly this problem I discribed.

manpage of hostid:

The /usr/sbin/hostid command displays the identifier (either a unique
host name
or a numeric argument) of the current local host as a hexadecimal
number. This
numeric value is expected to be unique across all hosts and is commonly
set to
the address of the host specified by the InternetAddress or HostName
parameter.

I believe that's in the past they used the hardware adress but since
idl5.2 they use
only the hostid.

R.Bauer