

long "boot"

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I have two W2k installs: HD0, HD1. They both have "I believe" been configured for a simple LAN--I only connect to my Laptop.

Oddly, the newer (by years) install takes forever to boot. During the "Network Connections" phase, it must be at least a couple of minutes. I don't even notice that happening after login in the first instal.

I check my services, and they both seem to have the same settings. I enable bootlogging on each, but don't see any hang ups. Where should I turn? There must be something drastic/intense that the second install is doing for it to spend so much time with "network connections"...(no, there is no "domain").

Both are up to date with SP's and fixes. After boot, both are well behaved, I just know one install is doing something it need not be doing at/after/during "boot" (actually it is probably in the twilight zone".)

I'm out of places to look for the reason.