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## How to Linux disable X Windows KDE during system boot

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Q. How can I configure my system to disable X Windows KDE during Linux system coming up / booting up?

A. Usually almost all Linux distribution use following runlevels for text and GUI mode:

=> Runlevel - 2/3 : Text mode

=> Runlevel - 5 : GUI mode

These modes are defined in /etc/inittab file.

Open file /etc/inittab

```
# vi /etc/inittab
```

Find out entry that read as follows:

```
id:5:initdefault:
```

Set the default runlevel to 3 (text mode)

```
id:3:initdefault:
```

Save and close the file

Reboot the system

```
# reboot
```

Now you will boot into text mode only. If you want to see GUI (KDE desktop) type the following command:

```
$ startx
```

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