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Configuring X-Server Display For Oracle Universal Installer (OUI) On Solaris 11 Platforms (Doc ID 1578758.1)

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APPLIES TO:

Oracle Database - Enterprise Edition - Version 11.2.0.3 to 12.1.0.1 [Release 11.2 to 12.1]

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Oracle Database Exadata Express Cloud Service - Version N/A and later

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Oracle Solaris on x86-64 (64-bit)

PURPOSE

The pre-requirements for using Oracle Universal Installer(runInstaller) GUI and X-server on Solaris 11 for Oracle Database/Client software Installation.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

What is X Window?

The X Window System, commonly referred to as X, is a network-based graphical window system.

The X Window System uses a client-server architecture. It enables multiple programs to share and access a common set of hardware.

This hardware includes both input and display devices such as mouse, keyboards, video adapters, and monitors that are connected to the server.

The X Window System consists of X server and X clients.

The X clients are application programs that do not have direct access to the display.

They communicate with the X server which provides the display.

A proper X client-server setup is requires for Oracle's Universal Installer ,because OUI is a X-window client which requires a X-Server display to connect to, for its GUI.

What Packages are required?

Packages	Description
pkg://solaris/x11/x11-server-utilities	X11 server state utilities
pkg://solaris/x11/session/xauth	X authority file utility
pkg://solaris/library/motif	Used for Motif-based Toolkit
pkg:/system/library/c++-runtime	Sun Workshop Compilers Bundled libC
pkg:/system/library/math	Math Libraries

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pkg:/desktop/window-manager/twm	Tab Window Manager for the X Window
pkg:/system/library	System Lib files
pkg:/library/zlib	The Zip compression library
pkg:/x11/library/libx11	X11 core protocol client library
pkg:/x11/library/libxau	X authorization database library
pkg:/x11/library/libxdmcp	X Display Manager Control Protocol
pkg:/x11/library/libxext	X11 protocol common extensions client
pkg:/x11/library/libxtst	libXtst - X Test and Record library
pkg:/x11/library/toolkit/libxt	X Toolkit Intrinsics library
pkg://solaris/terminal/xterm	Terminal emulator for X
pkg://solaris/x11/xclock	Displays the time in analog or digital form.
pkg://solaris/x11/diagnostic/x11-info-clients	X Window System diagnostic and information display clients

How to configure Xorg included in the Oracle Solaris OS?

Xorg: Is installed by default .Present in directory /usr/bin/Xorg .

The Xorg server is designed to configure automatically and can run in most situations without the need to edit configuration files.

When configuration is needed, the Xorg server gathers configuration details from xorg.conf the Xorg server configuration file /etc/X11/ directory.

Note:

Xorg packages are included on the Live Media, but not with the text installer. Symbolic links for X Window System software compatibility with other releases is also present in the directory /usr/X11R6.

pkg info x11/server/xorg

Name: x11/server/xorg

Summary: Xorg - X11R7 X server

Publisher: solaris Version: 1.12.2 Build Release: 5.11

How to Configure Xming?

Download xming, install it on your windows pc system. You can go to http://sourceforge.net/projects/xming/files/ to download.

Do the following changes for Xming configuration on you windows pc:

Add a new entry in C:\Program Files\Xming\X0.hosts

ex.:

localhost

<IP address of server>

Login through putty client to the server : export DISPLAY=<windows-pc-IP>:0.0

To check if the X Window server-client is working You can use either of the applications:

XCLOCK-Displays the time in analog or digital form.

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You will then see a clock gui pop up in your windows pc.

Which Toolkit does OUI use?

Solaris will continue to use the MToolkit (Motif-based Toolkit) as the default in J2SE 5.0, but eventually will be replaced with XToolkit in JDK7.

The new XToolkit implementation provides the following advantages:

- -Removes the dependency on Motif and Xt libraries.
- Interoperates better with other GUI Toolkits.
- -Provides better performance and quality.

Setting the toolkit for an application:

Using an environment variable. This needs to be set before starting the VM.

csh:

setenv AWT_TOOLKIT XToolkit #selects the XToolkit

setenv AWT_TOOLKIT MToolkit #selects the MToolkit (Motif-based Toolkit)

export AWT_TOOLKIT=XToolkit export AWT_TOOLKIT=MToolkit

How to configure VNC if the Xorg does not work?

However for some reason the above method doesnot work the easiest is doing this via VNC as it removes the requirement of having to have a X-Server installed on your client platform. Install VNC server on your Oracle server platform as described in next step.

Xvnc:

Runs a VNC session that can be connected by using a VNC client. Virtual Network Computing (VNC) is a remote software application that enables you to view and interact with one computer desktop, the Xvnc server, by using the VNC viewer on another computer desktop.

The two computers do not have to be running the same type of operating system. Xvnc provides a guest domain graphical login.

pkg install xvnc

pkg info xvnc - Would list the package installed .

How to Start VNC Manually?

Run VNC server as the oracle user .

Start the VNC server.

\$ /usr/bin/vncserver

Enter the VNC server password.

Password:

Verify:

New 'myhost:2 ()' desktop is myhost:2

Creating default startup script /home/oracle/.vnc/xstartup Creating default startup script /home/oracle/.vnc/xstartup Starting applications specified in /home/oracle/.vnc/xstartup Log file is /home/oracle/.vnc/myhost:2.log

From your client (likely Windows), run VNC viewer and connect to oracle's VNC server display. # vncviewer hostname:portnumber For example:

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vncviewer myhost:2

Type the password you provided to the vncserver script.

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Note: For Xming / VNC support contact respective Vendor.

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