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AUDIO & VIDEO on LINUX

AUDIO

1.) xmms

starting with redhat 8.0 ,redhat has discontinued support for mp3(mpeg3 files) due to some license problems with the org.

you can only play .wav, .ogg files in your system in any player installed with redhat.so, if you need to play those mp3 files.there are a different no. of ways .

- a.) If you have xmms-1.2.7 installed you can get xmms-mpg123.rpm from the internet and install that on your current xmms-1.2.7 and you can play those files.
- b.) you can get newer xmms-1.2.8 from http://www.xmms.org and install that while installing that version you will told that "this conflicts with a xmms-1.2.7" So, you have to remove xmms-1.2.7

if you try to remove xmms-1.2.7 with the following comman #rpm -e xmms-1.2.7

you will be told that this package cannot be removed since this is required by other packages.

youcan either proceed to remove all those first, alternatively you can install the newer xmms-1.2.8.rpm forcefully with the following command

#rpm -i --force xmms-1.2.xxx.rpms

xmms-1.2.xxx.rpm= your file name for xmms you will have to copy this file first in your linux partion, go to that directory and then proceed with this install.

2.) alsaplayer

you can get alsa driver, libraries and alsaplayer from http://www.alsa-project.org this is also a fine player from this site you can also get alsa-driver(sound) for your system.

VIDEO FILES

To run video files in redhat 8.0 and above you can download xine, mplayer etc etc

3.) xine

for xine visit http://xinehq.de get latest xine-lib and xine-ui packages compile xine-lib first and then xine-ui xine-ui is basically a frontend for playing the files. xine-lib is necessary you can choose among various frontends available, Oxine,kxine and many more are available some may not work,xine-ui surely does run xine at bash prompt

4.) mplayer

you can get Mplayer from http://mplayerhq.hu compile and install

download the Mplayer file and at least one skin and font package from this site.

5.)Lindvd

this cross media player is a good player in the sense that you do not need to install anything just copy the library provided with it and run the pre-compiled program

you may not get .rpm files of all these players, you may get source packages(.tar.gz ,tar.bz2)

there are to be compiled and installed. If you are having any problems in installing .rpm files or compiling from

sources, keep looking this space, a new help document will be coming here soon.

Although there are many players but i have only run some of these.

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