

NEXTSTEP

Title: Two Gigabyte Install Bug

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Question

I have a two gigabyte or larger SCSI disk drive on which I'm trying to install NEXTSTEP Release 3.2. Everything seems to go fine until the installation program looks for disks to install on; then it can't find my hard disk drive. What's going on?

Answer

There is a known bug in the NEXTSTEP Release 3.2 installation process such that it will not recognize a hard disk drive larger than two gigabytes. This bug has been fixed in NEXTSTEP Release 3.3. Under 3.3, hard disks larger than two gigabytes will be automatically partitioned into as many two-gigabyte-or-smaller partitions as necessary. For example, a nine-gigabyte hard disk devoted solely to NEXTSTEP would be partitioned into five partitions, each with a size of approximately $9/5 = 1.8$ gigabytes.