HOWTO install SchilliX on hard disk for developing

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1. The disk has to be partitioned using the 'fdisk' command.

fdisk /dev/rdsk/<device>

e.g. fdisk /dev/rdsk/c0d0p0

Create a "Solaris" partition with a minimum size of 1 GB, recommended is at least 5 GB

Make the Solaris partition "active"

2. After the disk is partitioned one partition has to be labeled.

format /dev/rdsk/<device>

e.g. format /dev/rdsk/c0d0p0

Enter the partition menu by typing "par" and create a root partition with at least 1 GB (recommended is 10 GB) by typing "0" and answering questions

create a swap partition with the recommended size of 2 GB by typing "1" and answering questions

create a home partition with the desired size bz typing "6" and answering the questions.

Check the partition table by typing "print"

Write the partition table back by typing "label"

quit format.

3. Put a filesystem on the label where we want to install later on

newfs /dev/rdsk/<device>

Type e.g:

newfs /dev/rdsk/c0d0s0 newfs /dev/rdsk/c0d0s6

4. Mount the newly formatted label.

mount /dev/dsk/<device> /some/where

Type e.g. mount /dev/dsk/c0d0s0 /mnt

5. Copy the files tree from CD to the mounted disk with 'star'.

star -copy -p -sparse -no-fsync -time -xdot bs=1m fs=32m -C /.cdrom/ . /mnt

6. Look where the mounted devices in /dev points to in /devices and edit the `/boot/solaris/bootconf.rc' to set `rootpath=<device>'. (<device> is the device in the /devices filesystem without the `/devices/' string at the beginning.)

Type e.g. Is -I /dev/dsk/c0d0s0 and check the symlink target See also the file /boot/solaris/bootconf.rc.sample

7. Edit the grub loader config "/boot/grub/menu.lst" to fit your needs and to make the new system bootable from hard disk.

See also the file /boot/solaris/menu.lst.sample

8. Install grub into the master boot record (using the `-m' option) or any other boot record of an existing partition, but remember to set this partition as bootable.

installgrub [-m]

Type e.g.:
cd /boot/grub/
installgrub -m stage1 stage2 /dev/rdsk/c0d0s0

9. Generate an initial ramdisk for grub which is needed to boot where <mount-point> is the mounted hard disk label of the new system.

bootadm update-archive -R <mount-point>

Type e.g.:

bootadm update-archive -R /mnt

10. Generate an inital /dev/ population using devfsadm.

Type e.g.: devfsadm -r /mnt

11. Edit '/etc/vfstab' to reflect the hard disk after reboot.

See also the file /etc/vfstab.sample

12. Reboot the system and enjoy Schillix running from hard disk.